THE HISE JOURNALS

A Diary of the Life of Daniel Howell Hise From the Year 1846 to 1878

Addendum Diary by Edwin Hise From the Year 1879 to 1883

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Production of The Hise Journal has been a work in progress for the past 104 years to bring it to the format now available. We know that Daniel Howell Hise began writing his diary in 1846. In his introduction to the current work, Victor C. Wood outlines the ongoing interest in the Journal throughout the years since Hise's sudden death on November 17, 1878. Interest in the Journal continued to grow over the years as more and more people learned of the Journal and speculated about its content.

Mr. Wood describes his two and a half year project to transcribe the Journal from the microfilmed copy of the original. What Mr. Wood does not describe is the difficulty of his task. No one should ever underestimate the amount of work that went into this transcription. The microfilm copy is difficult to read at best, regardless of the penmanship of the author, and the grammatical and spelling inconsistencies and errors found in the Journal. This transcription is truly a feat of deciphering. We are deeply indebted to Mr. Wood for his perseverance in transcribing this diary and thank him for devoting many hundreds of hours to the project.

The Salem Public Library became involved in the project in 1998 when Mr. Wood presented the computer disks and asked if they could be compiled into one file and a print copy produced. Unfortunately, the disks could not be read because of advances in technology. Mr. David Shivers, a trustee of the Salem Historical Society, worked for months to find a source that could "read" the disks and transfer the data to a format that could be reproduced. By the spring of 2000, the data had been extracted and placed into several files. All that remained to do was to compile the data and produce a hard copy, which the library agreed to do. The decision was made that the Journal would also be made available on CD-ROM so it could be more easily researched electronically.

The final phase of producing the Journal took many months more than anticipated. While the data was readable, it required massive formatting work to make it usable. Some portions of Mr. Wood's transcription had become corrupt or lost in the extraction process. Mrs. Judi Allio of the Salem Public Library worked tirelessly for months to transcribe the missing sections, adhering to the same goals of accuracy and authenticity to her work that Mr. Wood had applied to his original transcription. Thanks to Mrs. Allio, the Journal is now as complete as possible.

Once the transcription process was complete, proofreading and editing began to ensure that the book would be as free from errors due to transcription as possible. The diary has been very carefully read several times with both Mrs. Allio and myself checking and rechecking entries to make them accurate and faithful to the original.

During the transcription process we found an additional diary kept by Edwin Hise that had

been microfilmed and appended to the orginial diary. Edwin was Daniel's nephew and later his son-in-law. After Daniel's death, upon the urging of Margaret, Edwin resumed the diary in January 1879, and maintained it regularly in the same way as had his uncle/father-in-law. Mrs. Allio transcribed this diary, which runs through September 15, 1883. The last entry indicates that the diary is continued in another volume, but that volume has not been located. Edwin died the following August, 1884. Edwin's diary is appended to Daniel's, thus providing us with a thirty-seven year record of family and community life.

Working on the Journal has been a true labor of love. Immersing ourselves for so long with Daniel Hise, we came to think of him as a contemporary friend. His is a wonderful story, and a fascinating record. The Salem community will be forever enriched by Hise's faithful recording of what he thought were important people and events in his life. It has indeed been a pleasure and a privilege to be part of this valuable project.

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The Hise Journal

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Introduction by
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The Journal

The Hise Journal was written by hand in more than thirty notebooks. The first entry was dated December 26, 1846, and the last just before Daniel Hise died suddenly in November 1878. The Journal was passed down to Nora Hise, Daniel's younger daughter, then on to Alma, widow of Daniel's grandson George, and eventually on to Daniel George, Daniel's great-great grandson, who presented it to the Ohio Historical Society located at Columbus, Ohio. A microfilm copy of the Journal was requested by members of the Salem Historical Society and placed in the Salem Public Library.

The Journal was copied onto computer diskettes over a two and a half year period by Victor C. Wood, as a project for the Salem Historical Society. Photocopies from the microfilm were made by Salem Historical Society volunteers. The computer entries were made directly from the photocopies.

The first effort to distribute some of the information found in the Hise Journal was made by Alice McMillan in 1933. She published a small book with selected entries from the journal and distributed them locally. Public interest in Daniel Hise continued and in 1967 The McMillan Book Shop reprinted 115 pages of the Journal. Officers of the Salem Historical Society decided that a complete copy of the Journal should be printed and distributed as an historical resource document.

Daniel Howell Hise

Daniel Hise was the son of Aaron and Mary Howell Hise. He was born on September 12, 1813 in New Jersey. Although the journal does not say where he was born, it must have been near Philadelphia. His writings refer to close friends and relatives who continued to live in or near the city.

The Hise family were members of the Society of Friends or "Quakers." They moved to Salem in 1819 when Daniel was six yearsold. The Quakers were ardent supporters of

education and soon after Salem was founded started a program of subscription schools. Parents paid a small monthly sum and a teacher was employed. The congregation usually provided the schoolroom. Daniel Hise probably attended school in the old meeting house at the rear of the Town Hall or the log school house on Main (State) Street. When his children were ready they also attended schools operated by the Quakers. His daughter Mary Ann attended the school operated by Calvin Moore on Lisbon (Lincoln) Street.

The journal reveals very little about Daniel's early life although occasionally he refers to someone he played with as a child in the woods. What is known is that he served an apprenticeship as a blacksmith. His father was a blacksmith, and he may have learned the trade from him.

Sometime in the 1830's, probably during the winters of 1837-38 and 1838-39, he served as an engineer on a steamboat traveling the Alabama and Tombigbee Rivers north of Mobile, Alabama. Steam power was fairly well developed in the 1830's and had been first used to power boats in 1807. Still it was a technological revolution in its day. Daniel Hise understood steam power and used it for many purposes during his life.

Daniel Hise and Margaret Goulbourn were married July 3, 1839, ending his employment on the steamboat in Alabama. He built their first home on Main Street in 1840 near where the public library now stands. They lived at that address until 1857 when he purchased a farm of 189 acres on Franklin Avenue. The house he called "Unserheim" still stands at 1100 Franklin Avenue. The house was extensively altered between 1857 and 1861. The upper part was removed and rebuilt to appear as it is today. On October 14, 1859 he recorded the statement "I am ashamed I built so large." He and Margaret lived at that address until his death.

Daniel and Margaret had two children, both girls. Mary Ann, called "Sis" in her father's diary, was born on February 10, 1842. Nora was a late child born on December 1, 1862 when Margaret was 41 years old.

Throughout his journal Daniel expressed great affection for his wife and children. He liked to buy presents for Margaret and recorded man of them. He grieved when they were ill. His relief was evident when he recorded their recovery. He made toys for the children, especially in later years when Christmas was celebrated.

Daniel was a skilled craftsman in several fields. In addition to blacksmithing he owned a carpenter shop. He made wagon wheels, itself a skilled occupation. He made and sold plows and harrows, both extensively used before the mechanization of agriculture. He constructed the singletrees and doubletrees used in hitching horses to wagons and buggies. He built houses, barns and other farm outbuildings. He owned and operated a sawmill. In the late 1850's he began operating a brickyard near where Reilly Stadium is today. His brick can be found in many of Salem's older buildings including the Presbyterian and Baptist Churches. The latter is now known as the Village Green, location of the Chamber of Commerce and American Legion. Some of his bricks were used to construct the first

Salem High School on Fourth Street. He made harnesses for horses. In the late 1850's he records making a "water ram" 2,000 feet long and he made wooden water pumps. It is doubtful if any craftsman today could match the wide range of skills he exhibited.

Daniel Hise was a strong looking, husky man with a full head of hair and a bushy beard. He had his photograph taken on January 22, 1861. He appears calm and confident with deep set eyes looking directly into the camera. He looks like a kind man, but one who knew his own mind. The Salem Historical Society has a photograph that may be the one mentioned in the journal. If so, he would have been 48 years old. He let his beard grow during the winter months but cut it during warm weather. At one time he said he cut his beard at Margaret's request.

The Salem Republican newspaper announced the sudden death of Daniel Hise on November 21, 1878. His journal reveals very little sickness during his life. Except for an occasional cold or an attack of rheumatism he worked hard physically all his life. The only exception was a serious case of typhoid fever in 1868. He was in serious condition from July 29th until he returned to writing in the journal on October 1st. His nephew Edwin Hise kept the journal during his illness. Although Daniel Hise returned to work in the fall he was not fully recovered from the typhoid until the next spring.

The paper reported he had died suddenly on Sunday (November 17th) while walking from town to his home on Franklin Avenue, presumably from a heart attack. He was 65 years old.

The Writing of the Journal

There are entries in the journal for almost every day for 31 years 10 months and 21 days. Even when Daniel was away from home for one or more days he brought the journal up to date on his return. As mentioned above, even a life threatening illness did not interrupt the daily entries.

The Hise Journal is a large document recording his daily activities and events taking place in the community. It is filled with observations about people and organizations. He tells about the famous people who visited the community and describes the many lectures given in the Town Hall. He often disagrees with the lecturers and their philosophical positions, sometimes at great length.

The journal was written long before there were standard forms for cursive writing. Itinerant writing teachers commonly offered their services to communities for a term or two, and each of them had a different method of forming letters. Daniel Hise may have had more than one such teacher and his writing shows it. As an adult he enrolled in a writing course and radically improved his writing and drawing skills. Several pages in the journal are filled with his practice sheets.

Early schools on the Ohio frontier had limitations and some of them are revealed in Hise's writing. His spelling is often phonetic and can be difficult to decipher. The English language does not always lend itself to phonetic spelling and that complicates efforts to read his writing. His vocabulary is extensive but colloquial. He generally writes in complete sentences but they are sometimes convoluted and hard to follow. The punctuation and capitalization are inconsistent and almost seem to be used as a decorative device. He had the habit of capitalizing nouns as though to draw attention to them. Throughout his life he continued to expand his vocabulary and used new words repeatedly in the journal.

Daniel continued to expand his education. In January 1856 he enrolled in "The Albany Manual Labor University," a so-called Reformatory College in Athens, Ohio. It was evidently a correspondence course connected with Ohio University.

Nearly every entry starts with an observation of the weather. Daniel Hise started keeping weather records thirty-five years before the National Weather Service was created. He probably did so to help plan his farming activities. The entries were in general terms such as "cool and cloudy" or "warm and rainy," but occasionally he was more specific when the thermometer registered extreme heat or cold. He was especially careful to record frosts in the early spring.

After the weather the journal lists the days activities. He told who did what, usually separated by morning and afternoon. The day usually began at dawn and ended as late as six o'clock. A surprising amount of work was done before breakfast. It seems that a schedule was kept in order to give Margaret and her hired girl time to heat the stove and prepare the meal. There were always hired hands, some of them living in the Hise home. In addition, the family often had overnight guests. Traveling was a slow process in those days, and visitors often had to stay overnight even for relatively short distances.

The journal also served as a business purpose. It was a record of what he bought and sold. He listed horse trades and the purchase of livestock. When the hired men started and stopped work was recorded. Prices paid for beef, mutton and pork were faithfully put down.

The Journal's Historical Importance

The journal is important to a wide range of academics and indeed anyone interested in 19th century America. It is unique in that it records the daily life of an interesting man over a thirty-year period. Fortunately that period covered the Civil War and the decades before and after. A major political realignment took place during that time, a major depression occurred, and the industrial revolution expanded. The country was in a period of rapid economic and social change. Readers of the journal will be able to experience all

that from the viewpoint of one observant man living in a small Ohio town.

For the historian the most interesting part of the journal centers about the activities of the anti-slavery society. Hise records how money was raised and spent to support anti slavery activities. He talks about the debates that took place and the differing viewpoints. He describes the yearly fair, usually held in December in the Town Hall. He names some of the blacks who were helped on their way to Canada, but by first names only. Sometimes only the numbers were given. Some of those who settled in Salem were identified more clearly. He describes the efforts of the slave owners who came to Salem searching for their "property" and how their efforts were frustrated. His strong feelings came through when, on August 8, 1849 he wrote: "Fugitive Slaves (by way of under ground rail road from Wheeling, Va. Welcome to the protection I can give with or without Law." The Fugitive Slave Law had been passed, but Hise and the Salem Quakers ignored it and took their chances with the federal marshals.

Hise was careful not to name those involved in the Underground Railroad or the places where the slaves were hidden. He may have thought his diary might be read by persons in authority. Much can be read between the lines, however. He recorded meetings with persons known to have been involved in the movement of slaves, but did not record what was discussed. Among those with whom he met regularly were: Daniel Bonsall, Benjamin, Bowman, Samuel Brooks, Nathan Galbraith, Jacob Heaton, Benjamin Jones, George Lucas, Joel McMillan, Marius Robinson, JohnStreet, Zadok Street, Isaac Tescott. When he said that fugitives were sent "to the country" he probably was referring to the Cattell home on present day Jennings Avenue.

The anti-slavery movement took a personal turn for Daniel Hise. Edwin Coppock, a young Quaker, was captured with John Brown at Harpers Ferry in 1859 and hanged with Brown in December. His body was brought to Salem and buried in Hope Cemetery. Hise raised the monument over his grave. Daniel and Margaret are buried in the same cemetery.

Salem Quakers were not unanimous in support of the anti-slavery activities and Hise records some of their differences. He refers to the "Orthodox church" and the "Broad Gauge church." He supported the Broad Gauge viewpoint, and was scornful of those who did not agree with him.

On October 9, 1861 Hise recorded that he had voted for the first time in seventeen years. It is significant that the Civil War had started six months before. Although he was a prominent figure in the community, he would not hold public office, although asked to do so. He said quite bluntly that by voting or holding office he would be supporting a government that permitted slavery to exist. When Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation in the summer of 1862, he was jubilant and from that point on participated in political affairs.

It is unfortunate that the Hise journal is not more specific about the location of safe houses

used by the underground railroad or the people who were “conductors.” He was careful not to write anything that would expose the Friends or his activities to official scrutiny. The penalties under the Fugitive Slave Law were severe and the Salem Quakers were quite secretive about their activities. In 1858 Daniel Hise built a new barn on his property on Franklin Avenue. He records the building of the barn and the ramp to the second story, but does not say that a slave hideout was included in the construction. That fact was only discovered many years later when the barn was torn down.

Those interested in economics will also find the journal to be a rich source of material. The prices of many items commonly purchased during those years are recorded. Hise reports his first sight of a gold coin minted from California gold. An interesting sidelight is the place a good gold watch played in personal economics. Men bought them as an investment and sold them as their personal finances directed. They were seen as a measure of security. As the Civil War began and paper currency was issued by the government, the resulting inflation can be traced. The Panic of 1873 is also reflected in the journal.

Daniel Hise revealed a great deal as he kept track of his business interests. On April 1, 1858 he “Hired Robt Turner. $120 per yr plus house and cow pasture”. At the same time he sold a cow for $30 and 3 hogs for $10. A good horse cost $125 in the 1850’s, but the price fell to $25 after the government began purchasing horses for the cavalry.

Banks were not common in the early years and those that did exist were viewed with some suspicion by the Quakers. They preferred barter and dealing with those they trusted. Hise regularly borrowed and loaned money. If he had excess cash he loaned it at interest to Joel McMillan or other prominent citizens. He also served as a banker for some of the same citizens.

Barter transactions recorded in the journal are interesting. These were obviously done since money was scarce in the 1840’s and 50’s. They could be quite convoluted. “A” would owe “B.” “B” would collect his money from “C” or perhaps sell his “note” to “D” who would eventually collect. When Hise would give a note for service or goods he would never know who might present the note for payment. It was a way of creating money without the actual cash. From the journal you can see the system worked well, but only so long as the persons involved were honorable and paid their debts. The trust involved is an interesting comment on life in a small community.

The journal reveals much about home and social life in the period. Social life centered about church and community. Most visiting took place on weekends. The Hise family had a lot of visitors who came prepared to discuss the issues of the day. The Salem Town Hall was a center of social activity featuring visiting lecturers. There were a surprising number of them, particularly after the railroad came to town in 1853. Political parties were active, more so after the formation of the Republican party in the 1850’s. The spring and fall were the seasons when very little travel was done because the rains caused the roads to be nearly impassable.

Home entertainment mentioned in the journal included the card game Hise called Uker, Euker, Uchre, Euchre or Ukre and "spirit rapping" an early variant of Ouija. He participated, but stated he didn't really believe in it. People went to bed early and rose with the dawn, particularly in the summer. In the journals early entries, whale oil was used in lamps but the oil was carefully conserved. After 1859 when oil was discovered in Pennsylvania, kerosene came into common use and was considerably cheaper. He records with sadness that his brother Jesse's wife and child were badly burned when a kerosene lamp was knocked over. Lecturers on phrenology came to Salem and for some time became a fad at social gatherings.

The notes on travel in the journal are interesting. Before the coming of the railroad the season determined how often and where they moved about. In the spring and fall, rains usually made the roads impassable. Hise would often have to walk to Lisbon and back to pay his taxes if the weather was wet. He usually made the trip of 20 miles in the morning and be home for "dinner" at noon.

Hise needed iron from Pittsburgh for his blacksmithing business and leaves a record of how it was delivered. He would ride his horse to just north of Pittsburgh, stay overnight in an inn, and take the train into the city. The iron he ordered would be put on a river boat and unloaded at Wellsville. He would then bring it to Salem by horse and wagon. The purchase and delivery would usually take two weeks.

Daniel and Margaret were delighted when the weather was cold enough to use their sleigh. The roads were smoother and travel much quicker. They often went to Canfield, Alliance and Lisbon. On several occasions they traveled as far as Marlboro, west of Alliance, and to Atwater near Ravenna to attend religious meetings.

The railroad changed everything. Not only was commerce increased, but lines soon extended to Alliance, Massillon, Ravenna and Cleveland. It was soon possible to travel to Philadelphia and New York and they made the trip. One memorable trip was to Cleveland by train, Detroit by lake boat and a carriage to visit relatives in lower Michigan. One cannot read the journal without an understanding of the importance of the railroad in the nineteenth century.

The Hise Journal is much more than can be described here. It is an intimate look into the lives of people in another century and a far different society. It is a fascinating historical record. Not many people left as faithful a record of their life and times.

Victor C. Wood
Salem Historical Society

The Diary, beginning Dec. 26, 1846

Dec. 26 Cold. Put on my new coat the first time. I think it decided _____ by the best one. Sewing Circle at which one turkey and chicken and various other things in the way of sweet cakes and other fixings were made way within in a very ____ manner. Sang a song or two during the evening. Dismissed with some good ____ from Van Brooke. David Gaskill Died about 5 Oclock. To be Buried in the ____ at 1 Oclock. (His money to be squandered soon as convenient. The Rev. A. G. Hink Preached his Funeral Sermon.

Dec 26 Loafed around the Hot Stove until 11 Oclock. Went to lot and cut a couple of cords of wood.

Dec 27 Hauled wood. Weather exceptionally cold so much so that I am now getting ____ made. Ebeneser Fogg Brought 7521 lb pork to J Fawcett.

Dec 29 John Hilliard brought 7429 lb of Pork to market the largest lot of pork ever sold in Salem raised by one man (and what is quite as rare) Hilliard is said to have kept in good humor all Day which is about as uncommon ____ as is snow in Harvest. Died at ½ past 6 Oclock Hannah Fawcett, Consort of David Fawcett. In her Demise a mother is Destitute of a Daughter a Brother is Destitute of a Sister a Son is Destitute of a Mother & a Husband is Destitute of an affectionate wife.

1847

January 1847 Warm and raining. Settled J F. Dickinson. Paid him forteen Dollars & 22 cents. Old Mrs. Keal was Buried To Day at her Home. Many impressive remarks by her Husband. Bout a pair of Boods made in Worcester Mass.

Jan 3 Cloudy and so cold as to render it necessary (in order to be comfortable to wear an over coat.

Jan 9 This morning got up at 2 oclock discovered the Williams House on fire. Put it out with little difficulty although it snowed and blowed excessively and I had nothing but my shirt and whiskers.

Jan 11 hauled wood

Jan 12 with prospect of more snow

Jan 13 Snow is blowing ____ off. Hauled for Saw logs.

Apr 10 Benjamin and Elizabeth Jones left Salem to pay their friends in the East a social visit. Expect to return in about two months (Hope they will). David Woodruff Deposited Eleven Dollars and twenty five cents in my care for John hise to be taken by the latter to Pittsburgh and Disbursed by the Former.

Apr 15 still cold

Apr 16 5 Oclock. Quite warm with forebodings a very pleasant day. Water very high quite as much as ever known even by the ____. Turnpike bridge on ____ gone and the bridge at Blacks mill ____that the one at ____ gone. Cold with slight ____. ToDay Father Hise Butchering.

Apr 17 Cold and Blustery snow about 4 inches deep. Paid my tax in Lisbon to Day.

1848

Jan 16 Weather clear and remarkable fine with wind plenty.

Jan 17 weather warm and roads muddy.

Jan 19 Cut 26 Sawlogs. Had Jo Siple to help (good hand). Weather uncommon fine. (Mrs. Franklin here to visit.

Jan 20 Jo Siple & myself cut & split wood. Weather continues fine although to night there is some prospect of rain. (Lots of visitors to Day).

Jan 24 Loafed round town all Day. Sold my Horse ___ for ____ Dollars. To a man from Buck Whose first name was Boot Who found little ____.

Jan 27 Warm and cloudy with indications of rain.

Jan 28 Some colder with slight ____ in the forepart of the Day. But warmer at ____ and roads muddy.

Jan 30 Dul rainy Day. Henry M____ burned. 2 carriages 9 sett of Harnesses 200 Bushels corn & 75 Do of wheat. His loss in all is estimated at one thousand Dollars. (Fire is supposed to caught from a ____.

Jan 31 Weather moderate. Done some plaking for Woodruff & Bought the lot immediately East of lane for one Hundred and fifty Dollars.

Feb 1 Day clear and cold. Edmund Philips started east with four Horses.

Feb5 Weather very cold. Isaac Bakers wife Burryd to Day. Settled with John Fawcett owed him thirty one Dollars and 26 cents (hope to be able to pay him soon.

Feb 6 ____prospect for ____ ____. Phillips went East with Horses. Bought them in ____ County.

Mar 7 Cold and storming. Chopped wood.

Mar 8 cold. Worked some at my carriage bed. ____ ____ started east with Horses. Fire broke out at one oclock this morning at Jehu Fawcetts smokehouse which consumed 75000 lb of Bacon. ____ stable and other out Buildings. His loss is estimated at five thousand Dollars. Died at his residence in Perry Township (Allen Forkers) Horse Buck aged 22 years. As faithful a horse as ever drew breath. Was old Buck every Day of his life. And his owner felt sad when he resigned his life. But he's fine now ____ ____ and strife No more will he pull in the lead of the plough or in gentleness ramble about the

farm of his own His task is done now and his labor all closed without Doubt.

Mar 9 Drawed 2 loads of wood, ground my shingle knife. Sister Una was here with all her children, 5 in number.

Mar 10 Took Jayne Tescott & Margaret (my Better Half) over to ____ Smiths a visiting. Went after them in the evening. Roads quite bad. 8 Oclock its snowing.

Mar 11 Worked at my cart. Put in new axle and shingletree.

Mar 12 rode to ____ ____ in the forenoon. Tended a free meeting in the afternoon the first one ever held in Salem. Preaching by Samuel Brock ____ ____ no ill ____.

1849

Apr 2 Day Delightful. Mary Anne commenced going to School the first time. Election to Day. Ben Hawley elected Justice of the Peace in place of Rev Henry Ambler (glad of it). Hauled lumber from Satherwaits Sawmill. The Carpenters commenced my three story Shop for ____.

Apr 3 Day warm with indications of rain. Hauled sand and lumber. Coast moved into the old homestead. Made an axe handle to go to Iowa.

Apr 4 Warm and raining. to Day was butchered the largest beef ever Brought into Salem weight 1310 pounds Dressed.

Apr 5 To Day my Brother George arrived from New Orleans which place he left on the 18th of March. Left John at Manchac Church one Hundred miles from the city. I expect him home in a few Days.

Apr 8 Day pleasant. Lounged round the Stove till noon. Took a walk out to the end of the Plank walk accompanied by Margaret and Mary Ann. Came back in company with some movers going to Indiana. Arrived about ½ past 7 Oclock 7 Fugative Slaves (by way of underground Rail Road from Wheeling Va. Welcome welcome to the protection I can give with or without Law.

Apr 9 Day Pleasant some windy but not cold. Knocked round and obtained homes for some of my poor oppressed and Down trodden brethren. To Day my note comes Due in Bank but I have three Days grace before the expiration of which time I hope to be relieved by the return of John Hise for whose especial benefit it was thrown in bank.

Apr 10 rainy fine April showers.

Apr 11 Warm and pleasant. Got the Carpenters to finish framing the three story shop which I am building on Comon St. Shillitoe Done the counter hewing.

Apr 12 Clear and warm. Raised the shop and Done some other things of minor importance.

Apr 13 Cloudy and a little cooler. Walled up the run and helped Henshilwood put in Boiler supply. David Fawcett put in his siphon, some nineteen hundred feet in length. Works well.

Apr 14 Weather cold and stormy. Sit round the fire all Day. Am very anxious about John Hise who has not yet returned.

Apr 15 Weather cold to excess. John Hise has arrived. Was out to see him. He looks

Hearty and has been quite well. Brot back 11000 lb sugar on which he will make some ____.

Apr 16 Weather still cold wind blows none. Hauled John Marshall ½ ton good Hay from D Painters. Cow calved this morning. Some warmer this Evening. It is rumored that our town is infested with Virginia tyrants but I hope it is a false alarm (so it proved).

Apr 17 Some warmer. Made Elnathan Pettit a harrow price 1.75 cts. Set round by the fires most of the afternoon. This Evening quite warm and is raining. Margaret and I have both a Bad cold. She is quite poorly.

Apr 18 Cold and snowed some air raw all Day. Bought a chisel of Tom Taylor for twenty five cents (very cheap). Read a letter from Mary Gee. She was at Warsaw Ill and all well when she wrote. Kept close round the fire all Day. Had quite a pleasant conversation with our friends Mary Thomas & Jane Trescott who called on us this Evening.

Apr. 19 Weather Still cold with ground covered with Snow and wind in the north. Remained cold all Day. Worked for D. Woodruff.

Apr 20 North wind clear but cold. Put up awning frame for D Pettit. Done ½ Days work for D Woodruff. Writ a letter to Judge Lee of cadis Desiring him to forward some clothing left with him by some fugitives from (American religeon) Sanctioned Slavery.

Apr 21 some little warmer but cold yet. Learned early this morning that Allen Williamson of Deerfield was burned out. His stone house including his entire stock of goods. Particulars not learned. James Wilson was here to Day to look at my carriage to buy it expect he will Do so (hope he will). Spent the Day principally shackling about town. I can Do nothing to advantage at present. Must soon as I Do not like the Idea of Doing nothing. (wrote a statement to Craft Coast entitled an Honest tale.

Apr 22 Warm and quite pleasant. Started to woodland But me some fugitives and counseled with them for some time sitting in a publick place. Soon others gathered round some to sympathise with us others to condemn. Allen Forker said many other things that he would feel just as guilty in harboring or secreting a poor Fugative Slave as he would by Doing the same by a horse that he knowed to be Stolen. His reason was that he had pledged himself by voting under the Constitution not to do such things and of course was Honor bound not to do it. His plan to free them is to pay one half of their assessed value, the Owner losing the other half.

Apr 23 Warm. Went to John Boltors and sawed of saw logs for siding. Engaged David Satterthwait to Draw them in. am going out on Wednesday to saw them myself.

Apr 24 Colder wind in the north. Lent Sam Bowker a large tub to scald his hog in. Dxxed gad he is going to kill it. Finished my Carriage and washed the mud off of it that

had been on it for two years. Helped Isaac Thomas move his house. Set out four silver maple trees. (presented by J Sheets.

Apr 25 Warm and Pleasant. Got up early and went to Satterthwaits to saw my boards. Got John Bolton to help worked hard until Eight Oclock PM and did not get quite Done. Came home tired, reluctant to write.

Apr 26 Warm & Pleasant. Went and finished my sawing. Returned about noon attended a Secret meeting connected with the management of the under ground Rail Road. Riveted the Head in Henshilwoods Boiler. Spaded a little in the garden. Went to Thomas Horners after one of our poor fugitives having got information that the Christian (so called) Hounds were Baying on their track. We though it prudent to move them into another neighborhood and shall proceed to do so to night about midnight (Glorious Country this).

Apr 27 Warm. Fenced in my garden. Wrote a letter to James Wilson. Went to Satterthwaits and stuck up my Siding. Returned at evening tired enough. Lost my knife to Day that I had for 10 years.

Apr 28 Warm & Raining. Worked for D Woodruff.

Apr 29 Sunday. Warm & Pleasant. Weighed out 25 lb of John Hises Rice for our own use. Made hinges & fastened & hung my garden gate. Strolled round town loafed in the Tavern awhile. Came home and found (to my satisfaction) Mr. & Mrs. Dickinson who had called to pay us a friendly visit. Chatted what I could which for reasons unmentionable was but little (Oh the glibness of womans tongue). 8 Oclock some indications of rain

Apr 30 Warm & clear. Spaded garden. Bought and planted some pinkeye Potatoes took some corn and oats to Mill to get it chopped for hog & Cow feed. To Day Caleb Windell is at work making my window frames. John Hunts wife Died of consumption last night. She leaves a child but five weeks old. Found my knife. I had left it on N Wilsons Counter (glad of it). Some indications of rain at 7 Oclock PM.

May 1 A little cool. Rained some last night. Nailed up Don Pettits awning. Worked hard all Day a cleaning out my well. Give fred Noosbaum $100 to help and he earned his money for it was a very Dirty job. (Una Sharpnack & Mother Hise was here to pay us a short visit.

May 2 Cool But pleasant with wind in Northeast. Finished my well. Divided the garden between my tenants on Lisbon St. helped Cobb to raise shafts. Put up the cripple ____ and put on sheating Boards. Got 200 feet of Dry ____ Boards of L Nathan Pettit at 1.12 cents per hundred feet. Jo smith is to pay for them. Margaret & Sis was out to Mother Hises to Day. To night it is cloudy and appears will rain. Sold george Entriken 15 cents worth of Shingles & paid Jo Venable.

May 3 Warm & clear. Got up early and hauled two loads of lumber from Holloways. Got home by noon. It rained a little. Helped Caleb put on the sheating board and got ready to shingle. Margaret went to sewing circle this afternoon got home at Dusk. Some lightning to the southwest. Dave Woodruff & Isaac Cromrine started for Pitt to Day at ___ Oclock returning Sunday. Have not my money yet that was Due on the first of this month. At 8 Oclock my head aches some.

May 4 Warm & cloudy. Rained at 8 Oclock. Knocked off carpentering and mended a fire shovel for Ben Jones & laid a garden for Margaret Brown. Bought 6 ½ lb of ham of Henry R. Zimmerman and gave him my Due Bill for $5.79 cents. Money scarce at present. Set round most of the afternoon. Rained very hard about 5 Oclock raised the Brooks very much and the appearance at __1/2 Oclock is that we shall have at least another shower before it clears off. Wind is the northwest. Bought 15 lb of 3D nails at ____ ____ for which they charged me 8 cents per lb (quite too much). Bought a pair of red morocco shoes of D Pettit for sis price 75 cents. I have just learned that it hailed north west of us a few miles to such an extent as to Demolish the most of the windows in the Neighborhood. The Cattle broke over their enclosures and ran to the woods to seek shelter from the lumps of Hail which were so large as to render their Peltings intolerable. Some is said to have measured 6 inches in circumference.

May 6 Warm & rained all night and is still raining at nine Oclock this morning. Rained off and on until afternoon. Made a Ballows pole. Father goulbourn was Down to see set and talked awhile with us and he and I went up town together. Heard from Timothy Gee and his wife they were well and satisfied. Took up a Stray Mare hope the owner will come and get her soon. She is large ____ ____ with a white stripe Down her face and is almost blind. It is still cloudy and somewhat cooler at 8 Oclock in the Evening. Margaret is Doing a little washing that her task may be lighter in the morning.

May 7 Verry foggy. Cleared off about 11 Oclock. Caleb & George Windsworth commenced putting on the roof but was compelled to abandon it in consequence of its raining. To Day the citizens of Perry Township Decided by Ballot not to be taxed to pay for the erection of a town Hall and Market house in Salem (as provided for By a special act of the Legislature at its last Session. Majority against the Tax was 59 Ballots. Doc J Webb came and claimed and took away the stray mare that I took up yesterday. (David Berrys child Buried to Day).

May 8 Cloudy. Helped Caleb put on the Roof and hauled one load of Siding. Coast Paid me $875.00 on third payment for the Tavern. Lent Ben Hawley $350.00 of it. Paid L N Pettit five Dollars that I borrowed of him. The remaining twenty I have yet. Wrote Timothy Gee a letter and Mailed it and now being time I shall go to Bed.

May 9 Clear & warm. Helped Caleb weather board shop. John Hise went to Wellsville for sugar and Jehu Fawcett. Ben Shreves son Burried.

May 10 Cool & windy weather. Boarded at the shop. Wade Chapman to haul the

Balance of siding. Jesse paid him for it. Ephraim Greiner & Mary Forker was married to Day at 10 Oclock. Thomas got my cart the 8th inst he to give me 12 ½ cents per Day for the use of it. William & Rachel is Down on a visit from Canfield. We shall have a hard frost to night.

May 11 Warm & no frost last night. Worked at the shop with Caleb. Margaret & Sis & I spent the Evening with B S & J E Jones. Staid late which is sure to be the case as often we go there.

May 12 Warm & Clear. Weather Boarded B myself. Caleb was not on Hand to Day. Rained some about 8 Oclock. Quit carpentering & made garden. Planted Corn & beans. Smith Townsend was here to Day. Made Jesse Beeson an axe handle and he agrees to give me an Oak tree being close to mill.

May 13 A little cool & cloudy. Went a fishing with George Hise But soon it rained and stormed at such a rate we were forced to come home. I had quite a chase through the mud and water trying to catch some young Ducks But they proved to smart for me. I had to give up chase not however until I was mud to the knees. Edmond Smith was here and spent some time with us as was John Hise and George also. There is indications of rain at 6 Oclock and the wind blows a gale from the North west. Anne Townsend, Smith & Wife Called on us this evening. The two latter stay all night with us.

May 14 Cold & Cloudy. Worked for D Woodruff Ironed 14 Carriage wheels out and cut in 8 ½ hours. Charged him but 9 cents a peace. Allen Forker is raising his payment to Day. Margaret is not right well to night.

May 15 Warm & Clear. Leveled my lot aand lent John Hise 60 Dollars. Paid Sam Scattergood 10 Dollars. Got 50 Dollars of C Coast. Spaded some in the garden. Made D Painter an axe handle he paid me 25 cents for it.

May 16 Warm & Clear. Worked some at my lot. Made some garden & worked some at smithing. I jmped and got Beaten. Wheeled the road scraper in from Father Hises. Expected David Fawcett to havew sent a team to scrape the knobs off of my lot and fillup the low places but was Disappointed. Hope he will come tomorrow. Rachel Hise and Elizabeth Sheets were here on a visit to Day.

May 17 Warm & Clear. Worked the forenoon at a flat Iron for an old maid in Elsworth. She is to give me three Dollars for it. This afternoon Sam Gibbons helped me with his horses to plow & scrape my lot. I handled the scraper all the afternoon and am very tired to night in consequence of it. (shall soon retire).

May 18 Warm. Finished scraping and Hauled out manure.

May 19 Warm & clear. Made a hollow flat iron for a Miss McDevit of Elsworth. She

Paid me 3 Dollars for it. Mended Sam Gibbons plough. Spaded garden stuck in my peas etc etc. Ben Jones was here and chatted with us awhile.

May 20 A little cool with indications of rain. Paid Smith Townsend a visit he lives in Elsworth. Ann Townsend (smiths mother) went with us. She is excellent company. We had a very pleasant visit. Smith and I strolled round the vicinity of the village most of the time. We gathered considerable quartz as (christalised Isinglass) it is found in abundance a few rods below A W Allens saw Mill on the banks of the Meander about 20 feet above the level of the water in blue clay that for toughness exceeds anything of the kind I ever saw. (one year ago to Day we started east of the mountains.

[Note: The following was inserted in the Journal following the May 20th date. Mary Ann Hise Born Feb 10th 1843 Daniel H. Hise Born Sept 12th 1813 Margaret L. Hise Born August 12, 1821 Daniel H Hise and Margaret L Goulbourn Was joined in the Holy Bonds of Matrimony July 3rd]

May 21 Warm & clear. Sam ploughed and Harrowed my lot. I swapped off my $250 Carriage for a Buggy. Got one Hundred twenty Dollars to Boot twenty in hand & one hundred in Six months without interest. I sacrificed some ____ Dollars in the trade But I had that sacrifice to make and I thought I had better make it while I was young and able to stand the Loss. Shall not make any more such Carriages. Paid Tom Cope 10 Dollars on account. Paid Sam Gibbons 50 cents on acct. Mowed Oats.

May 22 Warm & Cloudy. Got up at 4 Oclock and repaired my new Buggy. Got John Hises team & plough to plough my corn ground. Got done by 5 Oclock and put the horses up. Paid Jo Thomas $2.502 cents a Due Bill he held against me. Went to town without a coat & felt rather cool in consequence. Wind Blowed all Day. To night at 9 Oclock the wind blows Strong from the South and then in the northwest.

May 23 Fine shower sometime through the middle of the night but is perfectly clear this mornig which renders it Delightful indeed. I planted some Cucumbers this morning hauled a load of wood and timber for sills that I contributed towards the erection of a small Dwelling for Mrs. Beaumont whose Husband has absconded and her Destitute (Daxx Him). Set out some cabbage plants. Bought the axletrees for my Family Carriage whichI commenced to Day. The weather is clear at ½ past 8 Oclock.

May 24 Cloudy & cool. Drissled rain most of the Day. Dressed out the axletrees and made the Head block for my Carriage. It is still cloudy at 8 Oclock in the evening. Margaret is making sis a Dress out of her (____) 12 ½ cent ____. Spaded in the garden.

Jun 3 Clear & Delightfully Pleasant. All nature seems refreshed By the fine warm showers that fell through the night. Birds are singing their morning anthems. Margaret calls to Breakfast and I must close at present. Steped about town awhile got a screw to hoist my wagon shop. Several jury men called on me through the course of the afternoon.

Read some from B____ Attic Webs and some from the Liberator. E & Harriet Dickinson Called in a few minutes, eat some apples and chatted freely of which I am passionately fond. Hope they and others will call often.

Jun 4 Warm. Hoed garden. Scored & hewed 2 sills. Screwed up and put a better foundation under the wagon shop. Framed some at the shed to cover Henshilwoods Boiler. Lent D woodruff 75 Dollars to be returned on Wednesday next. Ann Townsend Aunt Kitty & Mary Hise were here visiting this afternoon.

Jun 5 Day fine. Finished framing & ____ myshed. Went out and cut my tree I bought of J Beeson into 4 saw logs. (took the cow to ____. Replanted my corn that the chickens scratched up.

Jun 6 Warm. Hoed my Potatoes. Worked on the road. John Hise got kicked in the face (By his Sorel mare) by which he was considerably cut and Bruised But not seriously Injured. He will not be laid up in consequence.

Jun 7 Cloudy with indications of rain. Henry Rankins joined me and we cleared of ½ acre of my woodland for a potatoes patch. He finds his own Seed and Does half the work and gets one half the crop. Moses Townsend young horses got frightened and ran off But Done little or no Damage. At 7 Oclock it is raining a fine shower.

Jun 8 Worked at Henshilwoods engine the forepart of the day. Cleaned out or rather attempted to clean out one of my cellers on Lisbon St but it was so wet I abandoned the job until a more convenient season. Set up late read the speech of Wendall Phillips Delivered at the 15th annual meeting of the American Anti Slavery Society held in the Tabernicle New York City. Widow Hiddleson married last evening.

Jun 9 Cloudy. Worked in the garden. Bargained with George Sheets to iron a buggy for him. He is to make me a carriage Body in exchange. Made myself a hatchet and Mall. Made a one handed Drawing knife for Jo Ball worth 62 ½ cents. Took Supper with B S & J E Jones.

Jun 10 Sunday. Warm & clear. Henry Rankins and I split 223 rails to fence in our Potatoes. Jane Trescott is here with her little Daughter and takes Supper with us as does George Hise.

Jun 11 Warm & clear. Got ½ Bushel Potatoes of Jo Ball. With Wm Fawcetts oxen we ploughed our Potatoe patch and planted it. Worked hard But got Done sun about an Hour high. Broke Ben Hawleys Plough lanside in two But I can soon mend it. To night it is cool wind blows considerable. I am Hoarse from hollowing at the oxen. They were however very bidable and are an excellent plough team.

Jun 12 Cloudy. got Robt Rogers to Haul our fails and Hay and I fenced in our Potatoes.

Got home about 6 Oclock. Had the satisfaction of seeing Henshilwoods Engine run for the first time. It runs well. Ben S & J E Jones were. Him and I took a look at the out lots. They all cost quite too much. They took tea with us.

Jun 13 Rained Some this morning. Got 16 cabbage plants of Laura Barnaby and set them out. Made the wood work of a Cultivator for L Nathan Pettit. Hoed some in the garden & corn field.

Jun 14 Cloudy & warm. Finished my Cultivator. Got 3 Dollars of money on it am to get the Balance (2 dollars) in a Day or two. Worked the Balance of the Day at the Boler shed. A case of Cholera in town to Day. Don't know how it will terminate.

Jun 15 Cloudy. Had a fine Shower (accompanied with considerable thunder) through the Night. All Nature seems refreshed thereby. J F Dickinson came to build my chimney in shop bu the mortar was so poor he was forced to give it up after having it to fall Down. He staid until after Diner. I read the Liberator the while with great satisfaction. In the afternoon I worked at the Boiler shed. Bought 150 feet of sheating of Philips & Levan. J K Polk Ex President Died to Day with Cholera in Nashville.

Jun 16 Cloudy & clear at intervals. Shingled the Boiler Shed and weather Boarded some.

Jun 17 Sunday. Clear & quite warm. Mowed the Door yard. Hoed corn and loafed round in company with T Bertolette & others.

Jun 13 Warm. Finished hoeing corn. Blacksmithed some. Georges collared Bay came Back to Day.

Jun 19 Warm. Had some antislavery friends with us last night from Litchfield Medina Co Ohio. Started early this morning to the anniversary of the Western A S Society held at grove meeting house 8 miles north west of Salem.

Jun 20-21 Attended all the sessions of the meeting and listened to some great speakers. The Slaveholders and their abbetters received no quarter here but on the other hand were signally rebuked. Oliver Johnson H C Wright John Knox and James Barnaby were among the most prominent speakers. The latters spoke on behalf of the Financial affairs of the Society and made a master effort. About $500 was pledged on the spot. The Society is still in debt but has Double as much coming to it for the organ of the Society (the Bugle) as will liquidate the claims. Oliver Johnson Edits the Bugle the coming year and is paid by the American A S S for the same.

Jun 22 Warm. Had 8 of our New Lyme friends with last night. They started for home about 7 Oclock. I went with John Deming (of New Lyme) to Joseph Stewarts who bought his Horse and paid him ninety Dollars for him.

Jun 23 Rained some. Mr. Deming started for home about 8 Oclock. Ironed one sett of

Buggy wheels for George Sheets and made a pair of Strap hinges and hung the out Doors to my three Story shop.

Jun 24 Sundy. Went with George Johnson Down to see our Potatoes. They are just coming up. Called at Jacob Painters and got a fine lot of cabbage plants and sett them out. Lots of visitors to Day.

Jun 25 Some rain through the night which makes the atmosphere fine. Went to Lisbon as a witness of the trial pending between I Hawley & Eli Davidson. Waited all Day and the case Did no come up. Came home to return in the morning.

Jun 26 Very warm. Went to Lisbon took Wm Nutt with me in the Buggy. Found on arriving that the trial was again postponed until Saturday next.

June 27 Warm. Hauled 1 load of sand & 1 of stone. Made some smith tools & a pair of steps in Henshilwoods shop. We had a fine shower and have prospects of more at 7 Oclock.

Jun 28 Rained. Worked at George Sheets Buggy.

Jun 29 Very pleasant. Wrote a letter to T McCan to be given to Jesse Hawley it will be of importance to him. Saw him at noon. Worked at the Buggy.

Jun 30 had a considerable Discussion with Fred Stanley and the subject was Disunion. Made Jo Painter 1 sett of churn irons.

Jul 1 Warm. Went to see Jo Stewart on business between him & John Demming of New Lyme. Came back by uncle Johns he is in a Distressed situation indeed.

Jul 2 Cool for this Season of the year. To Day I should have gone to court as a witnesss on a case pending between Hawley & Davidson but I ventured to stay at home and it was well enough I did for Hawley had plenty without me. Worked at the Buggy through the Day and shackled about town until 9 in the evening and the weather was almost cold enough for frost.

Jul 3 Cool & Pleasant to Day. George Sheets commences my family Carriage Body. I furnished him with blank for the posts. This evening is the Anniversary of our (Margaret & Myself) marriage. Ten years has passed since the knot of Matrimony was tied between us. (I still bless the Day that joined us.

Jul 4 Cool & Pleasant. To Day the Sons of Temperence have a celebration. It was an extravagant one being by far the largest gathering of people ever congregated in Salem at one time or on any occation being estimated at not less than 5 to 7 thousand persons. Number of Sons in procession 516 Cadets 102 Daughters 111. Old King alcohol got some mortal stabs under the rib to Day. Our railroad company had large meeting at the

Pennsylvany lineto break ground on the great western Rail Road. The Governors of Ohio & Penn were to be present on the occasion (that I think is Doubtful) Oliver Johnson was here to Day to engage Boarding. He succeeded when probably no one else could. (he was a stranger and we took him in if he is hungry we willfeed him).

Jul 5 Warm. Bought $1.10 cents worth of paper of U Wilson. Papered our small Bed room. The Border I do not like its quite too flashy. George is hauling chips withthe Blind mare. A fine rain about 2 Oclock. Margaret is at Sewing circle. Bought 1 peck of Dried ____ peaches at D Pettit cost 75 cents.

Jul 6 Cloudy & cool. I worked at Buggy. (straitened boards for floor.

Jul 7 Cloudy. Worked at Buggy. Mended spring for Tom Sharp worth $1.00. got two Dollars of Tom Sharp on Clayton Sharps account. Paid it to D Woodruff. I owed him that amount of borrowed money. Margaret is out to Sharpnacks.

Jul 8 Sunday. Cloudy. Brought O Johnsons carpet from J Barnabys. Had intended to hoed potatoes to Day but I think the ground is too wet. Shall in consequence Defer it until a more convenient season. Philip Boys start East with cattle to Day. Fine time for it no Dust. To Day James Brown gets his commission for Post Master in place of Joseph Goulbourn removed who has filled the office honorably for 14 years. He Does not regret being relieved from the Duties involved on him while holding the office. He was forced to be up every night until midnight or after and being about three score years and ten it is high time he had abandoned a task at once arduous and fatigueing. He therefore welcomed his removal. Brown took considerable pains to get to the office but will regret it before 12 moths.

Jul 9 Warm. To Day Oliver Johnson commenced boarding with us. I worked at the Buggy most of the Day. Repaired Robt Roggers old wagon which pays him for hauling our rails on the 12th of June.

Jul 10 Verry warm. Finished the Buggyby 10 Oclock. Cultivatedmy corn and worked some at the garden. Oliver Johnson predicted that Gov Benton of Missouri would be a candidate for president in 1849 and that 2/3 of the free soil party would support him for that office. James Brown Jr took possession of the post office to Day.

Jul 11 Warm. Worked for Henry Rankins. Helped shew a horse that could not be shod in New Lisbon. We Brought her up with a round turn. Jane Trescott spent the afternoon with us she is good company.

Jul 12 Very warm. J F Dickinson Built my chimneyto Day. George went to Galbreaths for horse. Jane Harris Died at 2 Oclock. Jacob McH____ and old Mrs. Campbell also Died to Day.

Jul 13 quite Warm. Oliver is gone to Canton will not return until Monday. Made my Carriage axletrees. George primed two Buggys. I hewed a stick of timber 16 feet long for J F Dickinson. Took supper with Jane Trescott

Jul 14 quite Cool cloudy but no rain at noon. Finished the ironing of my Carriage. Afternoon hoed some of my potatoes.

Jul 15 Sunday. Clear & cool. Finished hoeing potatoes. Jo Ball made hay all Day.

Jul 16 Warm & clear. Mowed till noon for Simeon Jennings. Put in fountain logs to take water out to alley for horses & cattle. Oliver got back this forenoon. (Ben Hawley & Mary Davis was married to Day. They went to Penn in the night.

Jul 17 Warm & clear remarkable fine hay Day. Worked for Henry Rankins. Got word to Day that Alleganytown was burned up in a ____.

Jul 18 Warm & clear. Mowed for Father Hise in the forenoon & helped him Haul in in the afternoon.

Jul 19 Warm & clear. Cleaned out my well on ____ Street put in a pump. Bought George a cloth cap at Bob Heddlesons cost $1.00.

Jul 20 Warm & cloudy. Hauled Dirt in our shop & filled it in. showery most of the Day. Rained hard about six p m.

Jul 21 Cloudy rained considerable through the night. The Boys serenaded Old Ben Hawley until about midnight. They had various instruments on which they performed from the horsefiddle Down to the penny whistle and apparently all the intermediate instruments at least so it would seem from the ungainly noise they made. It was a perfect medly of Discordant sounds which grated harshly enough upon the ear of musick. Hauled up a load of chips. Got an anvil block. Helped Henshilwood to alter two iron for Blocks ____ in fire. Oliver walks to Columbiana. He holds a meeting at Middleton to morrow.

Jul 22 Clear & cool. Painted some sash and am now going to write a letter that should have been written twelve months since. To Day John Antrim & Isaac Dixon Died both of extreme old age.

Jul 23 Warm. Sett in ____ Block. Brought Down Bellows & Ironed pots. Filled up shop.

Jul 24 Warm & clear. Painted for D Woodruff. He gave me one Dollar for the Day. James Longstaff Died to Day aged 87 years. Got a letter from Cyrus Scott. He is at Section Ten Van Wert Co Ohio. Cant Do anything with my Buggy. Wrote to him to sell it for Sixty Dollars if he can get no more.

Jul 25 Cloudy. Commenced raining about 8 Oclock and rained off and on all Day. Is still raining at ½ past 7 in the Evening. Got my ____ two iron. I think it will Do first rate. Glazed my windows and worked some at my home shop.

Jul 26 Cloudy & warm. Rained excessively hard most of the night. Painted for D Woodruff to Day. Abraham Webb went to Pennsylvania to get married. His first wife Died on March 12th 1849. ½ past 8 Oclock and is raining hard. Father Goulbourn turned his hogs in my back lot pasture. He wants to keep them in one week.

Jul 27 Cool with east wind. Filled up my forge & tried two irons. Blowed up the fire in the new shop for the first time. Brot home our new Carriage Bed it cost 26 Dollars.

Jul 28 Clear but cool east wind. Ground my axe made steps for shop. George painted the shop. Wheeled Down our cart from John Thompsons. I am to give him 18 Dollars for it.

Jul 29 Warm & Pleasant & fine. Breeze stirring. Sowed our turnip seed. Our Potatoes look well. Jo Smith & wife got ran off. Will ____ hurt. She had one of her ribs broken Besides otherways bruised. The little girl Jumped out and was unhurt.

Jul 30 Warm & Cloudy. Mowed for Father Hise until noon. Ground our scythes after Diner. Rained about ½ past 2 Oclock. I came home and worked in the shop.

Jul 31 Cool & cloudy. David Dickinson toped out my chimney. I made some tools preparatory to Blacksmithing. Oliver has gone to Randolph to hold an Anti Slavery meeting. Clear at ½ past seven & cool. Borrowed 11 Bushels of stone coal of D Woodruff.

Aug 1 Clear & cool. Bought 15 lb of iron of Don Bolton & made a strap of it. Dressed my hamer. Bought of H Wilson 10 lb of Sole Leather cost $2. Mother Hise took supper with us.

Aug 2 Warm & clear. Bought 2 ½ Bushels corn of John ____. George took it and 2 bushels of barley to Schooleys mill &got it chopped for cow feed. I cut & George hauld some wood. Cut & Hauld poles and made a yankee fence across the end of the cornfield. Sewing circle met here to Day good turn out of ladies. Benjamin & Jane E. Jones returned last evening after an absence of one month. They were visiting in york state. Oliver returned rather unwell to Day. He exposes himself quite too much.

Aug 3 Warm & clear. Made hinges & hung shop doors. Made a heading tool 1 pair of tongs etc. (St Zac ____ Day.

Aug 4 Warm & clear. Bought rasp & boro. Made a sett of shearing tools. Done a small job for the William Jennings worth 25 cents.

Aug 5 Warm & clear. Oliver is gone to Fair mount to plead for oppressed and Down trodden. ____ of our land ____ on Epistle to Nathan Bell jr.

Aug 9 Cool & rainy. Turned my vice screw. George hauled chips.. Settled with Jesse Hawley owed him fifty dollars & 95 cts.

Aug 10 Cool & cloudy. Blacksmithed & worked at the vice screw Oliver Johnson gone to Marlborough. Mended James Browns Boiler. So cold as to make fire indispensable in order to be at all comfortable.

Aug 12 Warm & Pleasant. John Hise Margaret Hirtland myself & wife & little Daughter went Blackberrying got but few. Wrote a letter to J F Hise.

Aug 13 Warm. Unkle John Howell Died to Day this morning at six Oclock. He suffered from a fall (in a fit of Drunkedness) almost two years before the vital spark fled. He was buryed at 4 Oclock the same Day. I had Ben Hawleys mare & Thomas Pinkhams Carriage to attend the funeral.

Aug 14, 15, 16, 17 clear & warm. Worked at a buggy which I am ironing for George Sheets. He gives me Tippecanoe beds for the job.

Aug 18 Cloudy rained some through the night. To Day Henry c Wright holds a pic nic in Hawleys grove. I made the stand this morning fixed the table etc etc. had a fine Day and a glorious gathering. Cleared off toward evening.

Aug 19 Clear & pleasant to use hoe on. Anti Slavery Meeting in the grove. Ben Jones Oliver Johnson H C Wright were the Speakers. Some opposition But came a weak source. Meeting adjourned in good order. Wright is here to Supper is going to stay with us a Day or two.

Aug 20 Warm & clear. Worked at my Buggy most of the Day. Took tea with Jane Trescott in company with H E Wright Oliver Johnson Ben Jones & wife Sarah Coats Betsy Coones Laura Barnaby. Had quite a pleasant afternoon of it.

Aug 21 Warm & clear to Day. I finished my Buggy for Sheets flad of it. Tomorrow I want to cut my oats. Sis has her likeness painted by Patterson middling well executed. Borrowed 31 cents of Don Pettit.

Sep 2 Clear & frosty, made an axe handle for Jo Saxon.

Sep 7 Margaret had a great quilt.

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Feb 4 Day extremely cold. Worked in the shop until afternoon. Traded my buggy to T Ball got a gold watch worth sixty Dollars and one common English Do worth six or eight Dollars.

Feb 5 Day very cold. Did not work in the shop to Day. Great excitement in town to Day in consequence of the arrival of a couple of Slave Holders. They got sight of three they claimed as property but of course that was all. George was one they were after. I secreted him in the country until the excitement is over.

Feb 14 Stormed & snowed all night last night and through the Day.

Feb 15 Still snowing and blowing snow for the Deepest it has been this winter or for several years. Got Phil Hogate to haul my walnut logs to saw mill. Returned late and very tired having waded in snow knee Deep all Day.

Feb 16 Cold and clear with indications of a beautiful Day. Expect to go Sleighing this afternoon (to Charles Grisells, New Garden).

Feb 17 Clear & cold. Had a Delightful visit. Dickinsons girls was with us. I made charles an axe handle. Started home at one Oclock arrived about half past two. Found things right at Home. George Hise took supper with us. He talks of going to California. If he was healthy I would have no objection.

Feb 18 Snowing fast at 7 Oclock with prospects of continuance. At 9 Oclock snowing ceased and weather continued mild all Day.

Feb 19 Some colder with a fair prospect of sleighing continuing which at present is excellent. To Day Edmund Philips started east with horses has 30 head. He cobles them.

Feb 28 Warm & rained, thundered hard this afternoon. Roads very muddy. Bargained with D Woodruff to paint my carriage Body. To pay him at D Boltons.

Mar 1 was ushered in by a very hard blow which commenced about midnight continuing through the day in somewhat milder form. Oliver left for Newgarden. He rode (Bill Horse) for the first time.

Mar 2 Mild & clear all Day. Settled with Isaac Carr owed him $7.00. settled with David Satterthwait owed him also $13.27. tried to collect some Money but failed. Sam Allison Died in a.m.

Mar 3 Sunday. Last night snowed about 3 inches and is still snowing at 7 Oclock this morning. Blacksmithed on Middleton & Webb wagon in which they intend to go to

California. Tom Wilson was here until 8 Oclock. We played a few games of Moris. Read Paines Agrarian Justice etc.

Mar 4 Cold night and is going to be cold all Day from appearance at 6 oClock. Thawed some through the course of the Day.

Mar 5 Clear and warm in the sunshine. To Day Abram Webb has a sale. He says he will leave the Country. Blacksmithed to Day.

Mar 6 Raining at 7 Oclock. Roads bad some snow on the ground yet.

Mar 9 frose hard last night but warm through the Day. Borrowed fifty Dollars of Croft Coast paid it to Jesse Hawley. Paid John Street $4.00 on acct. Paid C&E Greiner $166 cents, settled with S C Taylor. He paid D Woodruff 8.00 Dollars for me. Had a fine thunder shower. Oliver is at N Garden

Mar 10 Clear & windy. Was out at Father Hises all Day. Margaret & sis were with me. I looked over Ben Balls wood land. Don't like it think it is a chance if I buy it. Joseph & Susan Smith called on us this evening had quite an interesting talk. Wrote a letter to Martin Heckand of ____.

Mar 11 Clear & beautiful all Day. Samuel Middleton & Emon Webb started 20 minutes before twelve oclock AM for California. a large concourse of our citizens assembled to see them take up their line of March and take their leave of them and to bid them god speed in their great undertaking. Worked hard all Day on my subsoil plough. Rode my horse up town this evening he felt right.

Mar 13 Warm & rained some throught the Day. Ironed 2 pairs of Hames for fred Sheets. Jane was here on a visit.

Mar 14 Weather Delightful the Robbins & pewees are on hand with anthems of praise for returning Spring. Last night we received by mail from Cousin Henry Taylor at Newtown Bucks Co. Pa 6 grafts of a favorite and choice cherry 3 of Rumine & 3 of Ox Hant. Went to Wm Wilson to sell him my Egypt land but on examining it it Did not suit him. Got home after sundown. Elizabeth Dickinson took supper with us. Paid chalk Boone five Dollars got it of McCracken.

Mar 15 Warm & Pleasant. Done shores about town. Borrowed 20 Dollars of Chalkey Boone gave him one Dollar for the use of it three months. Paid ten Dollars to Allen Forker 9 Do D&T McCalla on account saved one Dollar of it to pay expenses to the ____. Elinathan Pettit brought a Waggon home to get finished.

Mar 16 Not so pleasant. Started to Wellsville at 7 Oclock with John Wilkinsons new Waggon and took a buggy along for D Woodruff. He paid my expenses in consequence. Arrived there about five Oclock found the alive with California Emegrants. River in a

good Stage. Stoped all night with Mr. Campbell was well cared for. (Cow Calved).

Mar 17 Pleasant as usual. Slept last night with an old Friend Morris Miller. Got up early repaired to the wharf and behold the place that a few hours before was all bustle and confusion was now entirely Destitute of an individual having all shipped and board the Steamer through the course of the night. They were a hopeful set. Left for home at 8 Oclock arrived about 4 Oclock found all well. I had omitted to state the fact that it rained about noon but I did not get much wet.

Mar 18 Pleasant. Was busy all Day. Worked at bailys subsoil plough. Got mortar and helped sam French repair my house on main St. turned colder before night. Wrote a letter to John Wilkinson of Wis in which I complied with his request (viz) to keep the pay for the wagon until the first of August. Levi Jennings Died age 85.

Mar 19 Cold & snowing at ½ past 6 Oclock. Finished Bailys plough and he came after. Bought paper to paper a room on main st. gave 200 for it got it of Boones. Made paste ready to put it on. Went to temperance meeting. D McGundy & others spoke subject no commercial intercourse with grog sellers (erreonous). Old Levi Jennings was burryed to Day.

Mar 20 Cold. Papered got Done by noon. Henry C Wright here Direct from Cincinnatti. He is going east in a few Days. Painted the woodwork of the room that I papered. Coast moved some of his housegoods in. to morrow he will finish.

Mar 21 Pleasant. Helped Father Goulbourn move Down onto his farm. Took a carriage load of women Down. Sent the horse back with George and came back myself afoot & alone. Came across by Jo Balls Sawmill. Got home found that George had raked the weeds up (that were left in the garden last fall) & burned them. Allen Forker moved into the (Heise) Tavern Stand having purchased it of Croft Coast paid $2350 Dollars for it. Ephraim Greiner his Soninlaw is Landlord. They cant help making money as Allen Can furnish it without buying much. Sett out 3 cherry trees. Blacksmithed a little.

Mar 22 Cool to Day. John Williams moves the line fence 4 feet 9 inches further west. B Hawley gives me fifteen Dollars for the land. Worked at L N Pettits wagon. Snowed all the afternoon but melts as fast as it falls. Sett out some currant bushes. (John Hise was here.

Mar 23 Cold with 1 inch of snow on the ground at 7 Oclock. Made one pair of hames. Blacksmithed worked at L N Pettits wagon. George has gone to Marlborough he rode Bill. Mr. Carroll of Ravenna called on us to Day. Jane Trescott was here in the afternoon. She is lonesome Issac is out a pedling. Weather moderated some but cold and disagreeable yet. Mr. Moore of Cinccinnatti was here soliciting subscribers to a Magizene entitled (I have Come) (but did not stay). Mary Ann is not well she has probably caught Cold.

Mar 24 Clear and at ½ past 6 Oclock the prospect is that the snow will all melt off. The Sugar water will run to Day. Mary Ann is better. Read considerable last night in H C Wrights Anthropology on the Science of Man. It is a paphlet of 96 pages small print and well calculated to brush away the cobwebs of Superstition. He examines a length the Marriage relation as Defined in Holy writ (as it is superstitiously called) and demonstrates conclusively that what passed with the Bible Authors for Marriage was little better than open Concubinage according to the Jewish regulations a Man could abandon his wife when ever he got tired of her. This forsooth passes (at ____) for Inspiration (god save the mark) see Deut XXI chapter. George & John Hise were both here. Our anti Slavery committee here and appointed a quarterly meeting to be held on the first Saturday of May at grove meeting house near Newgarden. Wm Lightfoot & Lady were with us. The later as one of the comitee. Clear & cold at 8 Oclock. Heard of the Death of Wm Irish he Died away from home I think in the edge of Penn. He is to be buried tomorrow at 10. Oliver thinks of going hope he will should like to go myself but have too much to Do as usual. Joel McMillan was here did not take tea with us had not time.

Mar 25 quite cold. Oliver went to Wm Irishs funeral. George got back about noon. John Heise came and took away the calf. Mr. Hathaway was here soliciting Donations to repair the College at Oberlin. I gave him nothing.

Mar 26 darned Cold. Blacksmithed the most of the Day. Went to mill and infidel lecturer took Diner with us. He was a little cracked Brained (my opinion).

Mar 27 Still cold. Spent most of the Day in roaming up town in search of some hay But got not a pound. Blacksmithed a little. George gave Pettits wagon another coat of paint.

Mar 28 Still cool. Got no hay yet.

Mar 29 Still cool. Oliver gone to Canton he took Bill and our Robe. Bought 310 feet of boards of Wm Townsend fence boards. Repaired a buggy for Sim Jennings charged 2.75.

Mar 30 Considerable warmer. Finished Pettits wagon he was here to see it was well pleased with it. Helped us run it out Doors. Shoed the Old Ground Hog. Collected $4.05 of I McClana for coal and borrowed 10 Dollars of Tom Ball. Paid it all to Alfred Wright on acct. met at D Woodruffs trim shop early candle light on an arbitration with Ben Hawley & Thomas Pinkham on a case between T C Boone & Allen Forker. The latter claimed 28 Dollars and the former Demurred. We compromised not according to law but what we thought would compensate Forkeer. It was a hard case all round. We gave Forker 22 Dollars got through about nine Oclock. Margaret and sis had already gone to bed at Henshilwoods. I came home and slept alone I was cold and lonesome in consequence.

Mar 31 Clear & pleasant. Got up late. Margaret was home before I got fire built. Sent George for Wm Hises horse. Got him took our wagon and went to Abraham Haines. Had a very pleasant visit looked over Richard Welles farm that he bought of B Welsh. It

is quite out of repair. Got home about Dusk. Overtook Mrs. Hanna and 5 small children on the road. Stoped got them all in which made a good load for our horse. George took the horse back to Fathers where he got him. John Goulbourn came here late and stayed the Balance of the night. J C Calhoun Died.

Apr 1 Clear & Cool with a stiff frost. Got up early looked up some mortar with which to repair another house on main St. Oliver got back. Laid 2 ploughs. Worked at garden fence. Engaged to make Fawcett & Johnson a sign 18 feet long. Township Election Charles Cook made clerk in place of Ben Hawley who was all the clerk the township had since organized. Webster Sentenced.

Apr 2 Warm & pleasant. Made mortar, collected $2.75 of Simeon Jennings. Bought 2.00 Dollars worth of paper of Boones, hauled ½ ton of Hay from Ben Balls. Made fence around lot on Main St (Jane took supper with us).

Apr 3 Cloudy & cooler but yet pleasant wind in the south west. Papered the room on Main St. & painted it. Paper cost 2.25 cents. Borrowed 5 Dollars of John Weaver & paid it to Abraham Painter.

Apr 4 Cloudy & raining. Hung two bells for Ben Jones settled with Oliver Johnson he owed me 27 Dollars. Paid John Weaver 5 Dollars Tom Ball 4 Do. John Hunt Do. Made fence round lot on Main St. Blacksmithed some & loafed some. Levi Hambleton is at E Greiners with a drove of horses going to Phila (too late in the season).

Apr 5 Clear & pleasant. Blacksmithed till noon. Went to Englands and got a board 18 feet long 19 inches wide Paid 31 cents for it. It is to make a sign for Fawcett & Johnson. Went to Jo painters and got my pig it ran off last new years. He charged me a Dollar for its keep (too much). Some Stranger who met me wanted to buy bill but he performs so well that I am easy about selling him. Brought a load of straw from Ben Balls.

Apr 6 Cloudy and cool with indications of rain. Wind in the north. Finished repairs on lot on Main St. Drissled rain until noon. Made Fawcett & Johnson a sign 18 feet long 19 inches wide. Bought 54 lb sugar paid 5 ¾ per pound. Cleared off fine before sunset. I am some unwell caused by taking cold. Oliver has gone on foot to New Lisbon he preaches there tomorrow. Joel McMillan was here after the Tribune but I could not find it for him. Ben Jones got Bill to go to Marlborough be back on Monday. Sis was to a party at prescotts.

Apr 7 Clear with prospects of a beautiful Day. Am still unwell this morning. Bowels is out of order. Gave my sign 2 coats of paint. Made grape arbor. Lewis Morgan called on us left a letter for Oliver. Dickinson girls called in to spend an hour in social chat. John Hise also droped in a while.

Apr 8 Cold & cloudy wind in northwest snow squalls. Made iron for sign. Oliver returned from Lisbon about noon. Maryann (his Lady) returned from Marlboro about 15

minutes after him. Doc Thomas Came with her. They all took Diner. I spliced a rope for Jo Thomas he paid me in Dried Peaches.

Apr 9 Clear with heavy frost in the south. moved my dake cherry tree. put up sign. Hooped Windles wheels. It is going to be cold to night.

Apr 10 Clear & cool. Made fence between me and George Weaver, forged my Carriage springs. Signed Bond for Father Hise he is Assessor for Perry Township. Samuel Eltons wife Died last night. She was well on retiring to bed (sudden Death). Got me a new inkstand a very large one.

Apr 11 Cold and windy with indications of snow. Made my front fence east of shop. Made a bench for fitting up carriage springs. Made wood work of Lounge for Oliver. James Clemens took supper with us. Read Merchants Magazine till late.

Apr 12 Clear & Cool with heavy frost wind in south. Finished my spring bench. Painted for Allen Forker up at town. He gave me 62 ½ cents for ½ Day. George wheeled manure on the Garden. Mary Ann Johnson has finished Olivers Lounge I like it very much. (I shall make one for myself).

Apr 13 Cold. Snowed some through the night looks Dreary out at 6 Oclock AM. At 7 commenced snowing and continued off and on until noon. Stormy and blustery as January. Wm Baily paid me five Dollars the Balance on his Subsoil plough. He likes the plough well. He expects to sell his farm and go west probably to Cedar Co Iowa. Cold all Day. Bought 1 pair of coarse shoes for George (at Trescotts). Going for them. Oliver and Mary Ann has gone to Fair Mount to an Anti slavery meeting. Ike and Jane went in their peddling wagon. They will have an ____ time for meeting.

Apr 14 Clear and cold. Got up at six found the snow 2 inches Deep and weather very cold. Not going to thaw to Day. Went to Father Goulbourns. Sis and Eliza went with us. All sat Down in the bottom of the wagon. The snow laid all Day and the air is still cold at six Oclock PM. Read a letter this morning from Nat Beelers old Masters Son. He says in his letter that his Father has made out free paper for him and Harmon. He (young Thistle) wants Nat to inform him of his whereabouts that he may bring the papers to him. Believe he is honest though I should be very cautious what information I gave him. It may be a trap set for Nat and Harmon. Oliver and Maryann returned about seven Oclock PM almost frozen. We happened to have a hot stove for them. I was glad to see them comfortable.

Apr 15 Clear & cold with heavy frost last night but with prospects of a beautiful Day. Have laid sleepers and put Down porch at Coasts. Graded the lot off some. John ____ taken with a warrant toward a note in bank for Sam Brock for two Hundred Dollars for Stealing 187 Dollars from Jo Callahan. Writ a letter this evening to James Thistle Wetzell Co Va on business between him and Nat Beeler of former slave of Thistles Father. Nat and Joseph Fawcett spent the evening with us.

Apr 16 Clear & cold wind in North at 6 Oclock. Sealed and mailed the letter to James Thistle paid the postage 5 cents. Blacksmithed all Day. Snyder & Rogers supposed accomplice was tried before Hawley and acquitted. Large family to Day. Wind in northwest and cold all Day.

Apr 17 Very cold cloudy with wind in North froze hard last night. Sarah Galbreath tarried with us last night. Took my cherry grafts up to Philip Evans. He is going to put them in his Nursery. Repaired Sam Brookes buggy and worked hard all Day in the shop. This Evening papered Ephraim Greiners Barn. Bought Barel Flour paid $425 for it got it of Dan Pettit. (Weather cold all Day).

Apr 18 Clear and warmer looks pleasant out Doors at 6 Oclock. To Day Rogers was tried and acquitted by impeaching the witness (Maria Clo). Blacksmithed all day. Betsy Cowls Mrs. Whiting Mrs. Griffing Mrs. Woodworth and one other Lady took supper with us this Evening. They have come to attend the Womans Convention that goes off tomorrow. Weather has moderated very much. Looks some like raining.

Apr 19 Cloudy but warm and pleasant at 7 Oclock. Rained a little about 9 Oclock But cleared off pleasant. The Womans Convention was a perfect Jam all Enthusiasm. They did honor to their sex. Cursed by the pitiful whining Politicians that still persists in withholding from her her Political rights. The croaking whelps have a singular method of applying that portion of the Declaration of Independence (viz) that all Governments Derive their just powers from the consent of the Governed. (a great many excellent letters were read addressed to the convention from friends at a Distance besides a number of speeches admirably published in pamphlet form. Tom Ball started west with five Buggies. Bought 2 hams of J Heaton cost $2.62 cents. At ½ Past 6 cloudy and looks for rain.

Apr 20 Day fine until noon. Rained some in the afternoon. Mrs. Whiting and Mrs. Bowen started home at noon. they wanted to go to Paris this evening. Daniel Ames called on us this afternoon glad to see how his face has got well after his suffering for 20 years. Barcley Gilbert and Wife was here to supper. Spent the evening in making jokes singing songs etc etc. Betsy Cowls and Elizabeth Hise sangf Beautifully. Ben Jones and Rachel Straton called in a few minutes But as Nine Oclock all is gone and I am going (to Bed).

Apr 21 Cloudy but pleasant. Betsy Cowls is still with us she is going to stay a day or two glad of it. I like her very much indeed. She is a woman of uncommon intellect and a playful Disposition. John Hise & George were both here Mother Hise also. Elizabeth got a letter from Jacob Hise he and family were well. Moses Townsend called Down in the Evening played some on the flute.

Apr 22 Cloudy & warmer. Planted some potatoes. Got 40 bushels coal of mr. Bates at 6 ½ cents per bushel. Paid him ½ in cash. Made a wagon tongue for fleming. Gave me 1 Dollar. Elnathan Pettit took his wagon away. Paid me 8 Dollars.

Apr 23 Cloudy and cool wind in north at 6 Oclock AM. Rained some last evening. Betsy Cowls went in stage about midnight. Got up too late to get such beef as I wanted. Bought none, cold all Day. Worked at Buggy. Gave Tom Spencer a jilead tree. helped him ____ on his lot. Spaded some in the garden. Allen Forker gave Sis a fine little ____. He got his fountain leveled is going to take it to Tavern. It will add ____ Dollars to the Property.

Apr 24 Clear & cool with frost last night. Cool all Day. Forker took his fountain to Tavern to Day. John Gordon engaged me to make him the iron work of a coal car. Bought 3 rasps 8 gimblets & 1 pair of Pants of Robt Hiddleson. He made me a present of a nice knife.

Apr 25 Cloudy But warmer. Swallows were here to Day which is said to be a sure sign that cold weather is over. Oliver brought a mare from Dan Bonsall has some idea of buying her. She is not what he wants too little. Helped Allen Forker about his fountain awhile But Blacksmithed most of the Day. Bought Mother Hise 2 quarts of onion sets 12 ½ cents for them. Margaret was out to Mother Hises.

Apr 26 Cloudy and warm. James Woodruff & Cousin Harriet Wilkins was married last night. Boys serenaded them about 12 Oclock. Wheeled in earth and filled up lot on Main St. worked hard and am very tired. Hired Dutchman to help. Gave him fifty cents he is a good hand. Warm all Day. I think we safely say that summer has finally set in

Apr 27 Warm and foggy at ½ past five. Spaded garden. Made two flower Beds in front yard. Planted peas and onion sets. Margaret & Sis has gone with John Hise to Canfield went in open wagon. I am afraid they have got wet as it rained and hailed hard. Wind blows hard at ½ past Eight.

Apr 28 Cloudy but warm and pleasant. All nature seems refreshed. Vegetation is pushing forth beautifully and the birds are singing sweetly. Was up to F Dickinsons. He is a particular friend of mine. I was glad to find him well. Went to Dan Bonsalls & met Margaret coming home. They got wet as all ____ yesterday afternoon it hailed hard. They were out in it sheltered under the Robe in a corner of fence. They did not get to Canfield until 8 Oclock. To Day they visited millcreek falls was well satisfied with the visit. They got home about 4 Oclock. It rained some here this afternoon. Walker lectures in the Hicksite meeting House on Anti Slavery this evening.

Apr 29 Cloudy & cool. Put new reach in Watkins Carriage. Sold Bill (Horse) for Eighty Dollars cash and 11 yards of silk at one Dollar per yard. The first gold Dollar I ever had I got to Day of Edmund Phillips part of Pay for horse. Ironed Allen Forkers watering trough he paid me one Dollar for it. I gave the Dollar to John Callahan. Spent the most of the afternoon up town being as I thought rather tired to Blacksmith more to Day. James Townsend Died to Day at 3 Oclock. He is to be buried in Goshen to morrow. Wm Hiddleson is down with typhoid fever & Mary Fawcett (Jehus wife) is also very sick.

(Boys are serenading James Woodruff).

Apr 30 Warm & windy. Blacksmithed some. George & I Dissolved partnership to Day. We Differed about his work. He persisted in working all Day (when it was quite warm) with his thick Double ____ coat on buttoned up tight to his chin. He worked too much like one that was not earnest for me. I want a boy that appears (at least to be willing to work. Joel & Sarah McMillan were here on a visit what excellent company they are. Nat Beeler & Jo Fawcett called and spent an hour with. Joseph is going to the wake of mary Fawcett consort of Jehu Fawcett she Died this morning. Edmund Phillips gave mea check for Sixty Dollars this balance on my house that I sold him. Tally Gore Delivered an excellent temperance address to night to a crowded House (wind blowing hard at 10 Oclock PM.

May 1 Clear cold and windy. Worked on windless Buggy. John Bowker helped me. Margaret did not milk to Day. Worked with ____ in consequence. Deposited Sixty Dollars in Bank. Paid John ____ 5 Dollars. Bought a ____ file for 37 ½ cents. Selected the iron for Charley Boones Carriage etc etc. Elnathan Petit took ____.

May 2 Cloudy and warm & pleasant. Spaded Garden. Finished Windles Buggy. Took it up to George Sheets to get painted. Painted signs posts and colums for Allen Forker he gave me fifty cents for it. Margaret is much better (and so am I). Mary Fawcett was Burried at 4 Oclock, a large concourse of Friends accompanied her remains to her final resting place. (Sally Jane to take supper with us.

May 3 Clear Pleasant wind in southwest. Spaded some. Made wagon bed for Father Goulbourns wagon. Oliver Maryann Margaret Sis & I went a visiting to John Gordons. had a pleasant time. Had some rain. Was cloudy all the afternoon.

May 4 Warm & raining at 6 Oclock. Vegitation looks refreshing. Rained about noon. Worked at a new wheelbarrow that I am making for myself. Oliver and Maryann went to Grove meeting (Anti Slavery). They go from there to Marlboro. Went a fishing to Day but caught nothing as usual. Got back at 6 Oclock. Helped Bowker boys make a Dam to sett nett.

May 5 Warm & raining at 6 Oclock (Sundy). Finished my wheelbarrow. Made a cot Bed sted. Borrowed Jo Castleburys Settnett and went a fishing. Had poor luck the water got too high. We were forced to pick our way out on Drift logs at least ¼ of a mile. Such another time as we had. Had to climb from limb to limb and not infrequently slipped off the wet logs up to our knees in mud and water. We at length made our way out and got home at midnight wet & tired enough. I shall go no more soon.

May 6 Cool and not unpleasant. got up late and tired in consequence of last nights fatigue. Blacksmithed some. Got Mr. Gordon's ____ wheels. was too tired to work much. set round the fires up town. bought Margaret a nice pair of Kidd gloves for 50 cents at Bob Hiddlesons. our town is full of Irish in readiness to take contracts on our rail

Road. whiskey is in Demand now. got a pamphlet from J.F. Hise. Edmund Phillips and David jamison went east with horses. the former has 17 the latter 13. good Horses. the air was cold the after part of the Day but is warmer at 8 O'clock P.M. oliver got back at 6 O'clock left Morgan well. Saw George at Marlborough.

May 7 Clear with some frost last night. cool to Day. fit up and ground my carriage springs. began a Cultivator for ben Hilman. gave Jo Picket my Due bill on demand for 10 Dollars & 13 cts. attended Temperance meeting had some good Singing and a tolerable address by Judge Newton of Canfield. Caroline Stanton also read a brief but pointed address. had it been read in a manner worthy of the occasion it would have been much better.

May 8 warm and raining. repaired Allen's Fountain. got the tine for Chalkley Boone's carriage weighed 110 lb. finished Cultivator primed it. finished and put on my carriage springs. rained off and on all Day. town yet full of Irish half swiped (they are noisy fellows). planted beans in garden.

May 9 Clear and cool. clouded up at 9 O'clock sqalled and stormed off and on all Day. hailed at one time hard. made shakles for my carriage. am well satisfied with thus far. Margaret gor her a new Mahogana rocking chair cost $10 Jones and Lewis.

May 10 Cold and windy. Oliver has gone to New Brighton. Lydia Sharp went with him. shakled about town a good part of the afternoon. Bought a cap of Robert Hiddleston for 65 cents, also a lot of iron at 3 1/2 per pound. bent tine etc.

May 11 Cold and raining with considerable snow falling with it. spring very backward. cherry trees not in bloom yet. snowing right smart at 7 O'clock. an old friend (Martin Heckard) called on us last night. glad to see him after an absence of 11 years. he lives at Penn.

May 12 Clear and pleasant. got up at 7 rather late but its Sunday & one hundred years hence the Difference will be but little. worked a little in the shop. Dropped my watch in the cistern. Got down and got it out in a few minutes. the water was 3 feet Deep. it did not stop. Margaret Sis & I went out to Father Hise's spent the afternoon very pleasantly. returned a little before sunsett. found Oliver had returned. had good luck his horse performed admirably. he is well pleased with him.

May 13 Clear and beautiful, all hail. hauled out manure with Oliver's horse. he performed well. Heckard called & we had quite a talk. hauled a load of wood from Father Hise's. Rachel hise, Mary Jane, Aunt Hetty and children were here on a visit. Margaret, Sis and I called on Heckard and Lady. she is quite an interesting woman. Oliver is gone to Newgarden. it looks some like rain at Nine O'clock. Paid Croft Coast $50 that I borrowed of him two months ago. I gave him a check.

May 14 Cloudy and warm. got no beef this morning. had a chat with Mrs. Hamlin.

settled with Uriah Wilson. owed him $43 on account. shall pay him in a few Days. harped a sett of wheels. had 2 ____ & ordered sett of chim irons. it remained cloudy all Day but rained none. got cooler toward evening. Oliver returned.

May 15 Cool & Cloudy Bought 1/2 peck of Dried peaches cost 30 cents. Got 12 lb beef of Dutch Cris of an excellent quality. saw and talked some with Tom Hanna of mount Union Ind. had ____ _____ this morning. Heckard and Lady were here and spent the Day with us. we were of course Delighted with the visit. this afternoon Heckard and I took the children ____ ____ to see Father Goulborn. they were all well. Returned at 5 O'clock in good time for Supper. they went to Brookes at which place they took them home while sojourning in our village.

May 16 Warm and clear all Day. got my Oats sowed. Nathan Ball prepared the ground and Philip _____ sowed it. repaired F.D. Fawcett's waggon ____ ____. Borrowed 30 Dollars of _____ Fawcett. William McCoy was found Dead in the road two miles North of Lisbon. supposed to have been run over by the Stage while in a state of intoxication a habit to which he was addicted. took my carriage body up to Woodruff's to get painted. Drew out ten Dollars from Bank, the ballance of my Deposit. exchanged 7 Dollars in gold (two of which were Dollars) with Joseph Fawcett, got red Back.

May 17 Cloudy and warm threatened some about 6 O'clock but no rain in consequence. cleared off at 8. planted sweet potatoes at noon. commenced to turn cold and at 6 O'clock is so cold and windy as to make it uncomfortable in the House without a fire. if it should clear off and the wind fall good by to fruits but we hope better things. Wm Coy was buried to Day he fills a Drunkards grave. the coach ran across his face Dislocating his jaw and perhaps his neck as it passed immediately over it, the Driver swears he saw nothing of him. I suppose he Did not as the night was Dark. Bought john a pair of pantiloons at Jehu's.

May 18 Clear and cold. heavy frost last night which no Doubt killed a good portion of the fruit. cold all day. worked on Chalkley's carriage. made Margaret a nice Dripping pan. Paid Uriah Wilson $44.06 cts. helped Doc Harris put up his stone steps. David painter spent some time with us. he has been in this country 47 years, one of the first settlers.

May 19 Sunday. Cloudy & cool. some windy but not so cold at noon. Oliver returned about 10 O'clock. stuck my peas. John Hise took Dinner with us ____ ____ ____ ____. I loafed around town. a spell of quite a gust of wind but no rain at 7 P.M. although the prospects at present are that we shall have rain. ____ George Hise was down from Canfield. Ben Ball & Lady returned. D. Woodruff's boys caught the largest Turtle I ever saw it weighed 29 lb.

May 20 Clear and pleasant no frost last night. windy and cool at noon. went and took supper at Mother Hise's. Heckard and lady and Mrs. Brooks. Wrote Fanny ____. Zilpah Tollerton & all their children were there & ____ ____ they kept. Heckard spent the

evening with us and a fine time we had of it. Talking politics and so on. clear and some warmer at 10 P.M.

May 21 clear and cool with sharp frost last night. engaged to make Ben Jones a small carriage for Ella. Aaron Wilson's wife was very sick last night. Margaret was up this morning to see her she is much better at noon.

May 22 Clear and warm at ten O'clock. sharp frost last night. hauled a load of wood. took some corn to mill and brought home scantling. made buggy ____ & _____. _____ cut his head seemingly the axe caught in the clothes line which was suspended over head and threw the axe with such force as to wound him badly. Clost not dangerously _____. Dreaded it.

May 23 Clear and pleasant. Oliver has gone to Akron in company with Jane E. Jones. she Delivers her first lecture on Phisiology which is but a f____. she suspects to go into the business systematically in the cause of a few ____. Nathan ball commenced hauling my winter wood. I took leave of m. Heckard about noon. he leaves for Pomeroy at 2 O'clock. he is a clever fellow and I like him.

May 24 clear and warm. hired John Leonard to help me & we split all our wood that was cut enough to last one year. choped some 2 cords of old white oak & split it up. it makes the best of wood. it looks like rain to night at 8 O'clock. I am tired and shall go to bed soon. (Mrs. Gordon and son called at took Dinner with Margaret. I should like to have seen her. I hope she will call again.

May 25 Cool & Windy. turned ____ for leonard Fain. hooped Tom French's wheels. Oliver returned. had a splendid meeting at Akron. E. J. Jones out Did ____. at noon the wind is in the east. cold and raw and continues so until 5 O'clock when it rained. a very little sun is getting clear. Jo Smith's cow has the hydrophobia. tired small hubs for B. Jones. Margaret has got her a new white silk Bonnett it is beautiful.

May 26 Sunday Cloudy cool & no rain yet. got ____ at Margaret. took Sis and very pleasant it was too. made the wheels for small Buggy. went out to see Jo Smith ____ ____. Oliver returned at noon. Wm Nut paid me 3 Dollars.

May 27 Clear and warm. Philip H ____ plowed my lots in Egypt and we planted our potatoes. he is to have half for his share and is to Do the work except Digging. each one Digs his own. gave George Hutton a verbal order to Jehu's for one Dollar and fifty cents and charged the amount to john Callahan.

May 28 warm and clear. very Dry. got ____ Jehu's ____ _____ repaired cart traded it to A. Baird for 900 shingles. Margaret & sister Frances ____ went out to Sharpnack's. had _____ horse. got back at 1/2 past 7 O'clock.

May 29 Clear & warm. very Dry and hot at 12 O'clock. made an awning frame for Jehu

Fawcett the first one in Salem. it is cooler at 8 O'clock P.M. but no rain. Sister Frances is here and is going to stay with us all night perhaps for the last time for awhile as she and Her Husband is going to move west. Allen Co. I believe.

May 30 Warm and little Hasy. at noon there is prospects for rain. But gets cool as usual ____ ____with out a _____. put Jehu's awning up. it gives good satisfaction. gave Fred Bates an order to Sheets for one Barrel of Salt. cost 2.29 cents. helped Allen Forker repair his fountain. John Greiner lost a cow. She Died with Hydrophobia. quite cold at 8 O'clock P.M.

May 31 Cloudy & cool all Day. no rain. worked at Smithing until 4 O'clock. hauled shingles I got of Baird. he gave me 9,000 for it. paid Hiram Riggs 93 cents for working on the road. cleared off at sunsett is very cold. I am tired and shall go to bed.

Jun 1 Cool, some frost last night. worked all Day on Chalkley Brown's Carriage. forged some ____ _____ for Tom Taylor. Bought a Barrel of Flour of Thomas Jones. gave $5.00 for it. Bought John a Hat for 50 cents. Father & Mother Goulborn is here and is going to stay all night with us for the first time. Oliver has gone to East ____. He has a meeting there tomorrow. clears off toward night without rain.

Jun 2 Warm and clear. Andrew Charney and Sister ____ (his wife) start west this morning. Margaret & I spent part of the forenoon at J.F. Dickinson's. clouded up some but cleared off at sundown. as usual without rain. ____ ____ ____ worked some at B. Jones little carriage. ____ ____ & Margaret took supper with us. Margaret (my better half) is absorbed in reading Thadeus Warsaw (a novel).

Jun 3 Warm and clear. sold Croft Coast a buggy tongue for three Dollars. Wm. Shinn's son got his leg broken. fell off the ____. Bought 7 lb of Dried apples of Don Pettit gave 6 1/4 cents per pound. bought 10 1/2 yards of ____ for 15 cents per yard.

Jun 21 Warm and pleasant. Done but little to Day except to put in fork handles for Tom Post for which he gave me fifty cents. Sold David Painter a waggonbed for three Dollars. (Whinnery has returned and brought with him a certificate stating that after a careful examination of the contents of Mrs. Pettit's stomack they (the professors) were unable to Discover anything in them that would produce Death. their fee was $10.00 Dollars. Williams lectured again last evening (inconsequence of a threatened attack from the Drunken rowdies a large concourse of the citizens assembled but there was no Disorder of any consequence created. at ten O'clock they Dispersed in good order with appointments to meet on other and in other places (so mote it Be)

Jun 22 Clear & a little cool but very pleasant. finished the little carriage and delivered up to the one for whom it was made. he was well satisified with it. fine shower of rain at 4 O'clock. Allen Forker Paid me $1.91 cents the amt he owed me. John bought Sis a fine white Rabbit.

Jun 23 Sunday Cloudy and pleasant. fine growing weather as can be. got James Lesley to varnish my carriage gearing. put two more posts in my Carriage Body. loafed round town the most of the Day. rode Croft Coast's horse down to Egypt to see my potatoes. they look firstrate. Margaret and Sis was out to Pap Hise's got back at sun sett. very pleasant all Day.

Jun 24 Clear & warm. Ironed Jo Ball's cart. went with Mr. Gordon to look at a couple of old horse waggons. he wanted to purchase one but they were too far gone. we came home by hardscrabble. got home at one O'clock. he paid me eighty cents that he owed me. paid a quarter postage on the Liberator. bought some mackeral. made myself a stone pick. Oliver returned at noon.

Jun 25 Clear and Pleasant. made John Hise a saddler's hamer. repaired Allen Forker's Buggy. shod 2 horses for Sim Webb. went out to Joseph England's and Bought a cheese weight 20 pounds. gave one dollar for it. they commenced grading the rail road this morning at John Straughan's farm at 8 O'clock. Jonathon Hilliard was thrown from his horse but he was too Drunk to be much hurt. Rob't Wood's horse ran off with him and his Buggy. Hiram gore was seriously hurt in stopping him. Henry C. Wright is here to night he is going away in the morning. Margaret & Oliver has gone to temperance meeting and I am going to Bed.

Jul 1 Very warm some rain to Day. hung the tailboard of Trescott's pedling waggon. Blacksmithed most of the Day. hired two horses to go to Marlboro one of Ben Hawley, the other of Joseph Ball. got my carriage Done. it has been on hand one year and i month and a few Days. gave Margaret one Dollar to pay Margaret Kirtland for making her a new silk Dress.

Jul 2 Cloudy and misty with some showers the fore part of the Day. partially cleared off in the afternoon. spent most of the Day in finishing carriage & getting all things ready to go to Marlboro. Jo Casselberry & Uriah Wilson took a round of fisticuffs in the street. by way of variety Wilson got rather worst of the Bargain. neither hurt much. Bought sis a pair of gloves for a shilly.

Jul 3 fine weather. rigged up my team consisting of two horses one of Ben Hawley's one of Nathan Hise's and went in company with mr. Gordon & Lady to Barcley Gilberts in Atwater to be convenient to the Marlborough Meeting which comes off on the fourth. Oliver went with us in the New carriage. we like it well.

Jul 4th Clear and pleasant. Attended the Meeting which was held in a grove. Attended by a vast concourse of people and addressed successfully by Oliver Johnson, J.W. Walker, Abby K. Foster & Henry C. Wright. Dismissed at 4 O'clock and went home with James Doud who lives 1 1/2 miles east of the center of Atwater. I____ and Margaret Kirtland married.

Jul 5 Warm and pleasant with pleasant Breeses. started for home at 7 O'clock. Drive

slow. reached home at noon. found things all right. Bought two loaves of bakers Bread for the first we ever Bought. Margaret was too much fatigued to make & I like bread for Dinner so we concluded to buy it.

Jul 6 Clear and Pleasant. Blacksmithed until noon. Bought 10 lb coat steel for $2 Dollars. Borrowed 3 Dollars of Wm. McCracken. spent most of the afternoon sitting about town. Considerable cooler toward evening. went to Bed before Dark.

Jul 7 Sunday Warm & clear. went to Aron Antrim's to examine his spring. he wants me to put in a Hydraulic run for him. there is a good chance for one. We can get 20 feet fall to force the water 40 feet. Made the wood work of an unloading fork for Wm. Fawcett. Isaac Taylor and Thos. Sharpneck took Dinner with us after which the former and I went to Egypt. got back at 5 O'clock.

Jul 8 clear & pleasant. finished my hay fork and Done some other jobs of minor importance. cool at 8 O'clock.

Jul 9 President Taylor Died at 1/2 past ten O'clock P.M. his dying words were ` I am not affraid to Die. I have always Done my Duty, my only regret is the leaving those that are Dear to me.'

Cloudy but warm. commenced to iron a waggon for Hutchins Sattenthwait. rained some. Oliver returned about 11 O'clock. Brought with him a beautiful Dun Horse for which he paid 90 Dollars. he is three years old past and is well broken to saddle or Harness. very pleasant at 8 O'clock and I shall retire soon. read Professor Webster's Confession, poor man. I pity him but I presume the authorities of old Massachusetts will choke the life out of him. Margaret has just shown me a quilt she has been piecing up. it looks well. I like to have forgotten to record the fact that an old Friend Charles Hoiles of Illinois calledon us to Day. he brought his family with him and purposes spending some time with us.

Jul 10 Very hot. hooped my wheels and shod two horses. Wm. Fawcett paid me 5 Dollars. Oliver and Margaret took a ride out as far as Don Bonsalls in our new carriage. News has arrived at ____ O'clock P.M. that General Taylor Died this morning at 9 O'clock with Cholera ____. I hope it may prove to be untrue.

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Jul 11 Warm, excessively so. Louis Heen is at work at my addition to Stable. I tore out the gableend of old stable in order to attach the new one more readily. took old furnature up to Jones and Lewis to get altered. lent David Woodruff 5 Dollars. worked some at wagon. clear & pleasant at 9 O'clock. Oliver has gone to grove. Abby Foster lectures there to Day. expects some opposition.

Jul 12 Warm & clear. hauled 2 loads of manure. went to woodland and brought home 5

sticks of timber ten feet long. hewd 2 of them. took horse and carriage and went in search of a girl. got on track of one that i expect will suit us. got home late sis was with me. she fell asleep 2 miles in the country.

Jul 13 Cloudy with indications of rain at 7 O'clock A.M. made foundation for stable. mended cradle scythe for Allen Forker. shod Horse and ox. Drizzled rain from 2 O'clock P.M. until 4 when it rained hard. our carpenter was forced to quit. Oliver is gone to lisbon.

Jul 14 Cloudy and looks like for rain. we had a fine shower last night about mid night. the most of our citizens has gone to Salt Springs to hear Abby H. Foster. I went to see the young woman that expects to come and live with us. took Sharp's blind mare got back at noon. had the tooth all the afternoon and evening. John Brown (of Canfield) took supper and stayed all night with us. George Hise took supper with us. Oliver did not return to night as expected.

Jul 15 Cloudy and Dull at 5 O'clock A.M. tooth Does not ache this morning but is since sore. Carpenters finished framing & raised my stable. this day was excessively hot. Charles Hoiles took supper with us. he is going to Washington starts in the morning. Oliver returned at 10 O'clock. Paid Bill McCracken 3 Dollars.

Jul 16 clear & warm. got Ben Ball's team and hauled sheeting boards from Sattenthwaits, one load from Schooley's and six stacks of timber from Egypt. Miss Lee (of Randolph) is here to night. she Delivers an address on temperance. Martha Keen Died to Day at 6 O'clock with consumption. she was only sick 8 months. Isaac ____ & Margaret Minttond's marriage was published in the Homestead but they swear it all humbug. got an order from Ben Hawley on Tom Cope which squared Cope's Book accts against me. I shall be glad to get round all my creditors

Jul 17 cloudy & warm. hauled Beams for overhead in stable. Settled with Oliver he paid 22 1/2 Dollars. squared up to first of July. Bought looking glass plate gave $1.12 cents for it. framed the rafters and got Mahlon Hall to help me put them up. that Done a very hard shower cam us. Oliver and Miss Lee (who had gone to Joel McMillan's on a visit) got caught in it in company with Sarah Coates on their return. the rain beat in so hard that all of them were more or less wet. Oliver was as wet as water could make him. Nathan Ball & a young Lady called in to seek shelter and in the midst of all our hurry in rushed a huge Dog and in spite of all of us got under the Bed. we were forced in order to get him out to have access to pitchfork and then had a Desperate Battle before he struck his colors. he finally gave way under our somewhat pressing attacks and retreated in considerable Disorder Disputing every inch of ground although retreating on the very point of the bayonet. he once or twice faced about and rallied his forces but was eventually forced to abandon the field. and now that `rage of war is over' I feel truly sorry that we should have come to such close battle. I know he is hurt and from the very bottom of my heart I pity him and have already forgiven him for so rudely trespassing our premises and throwing our family into so much confusion and Disarray. as I learn from an

acquaintence of his that he invariably Does seek shelter in the house During heavy thunder showers. I shall be glad to hear that he is not mortally wounded. raining still at 1/2 past 8 O'clock P.M.

Jul 18 Cloudy & cool with wind in the North. attended the funeral of Martha Keen which took place at 10 O'clock. Borrowed a long ladder of John Fawcett. hired Jo Siple and he and I put on the sheeting boards and weather boarded the gableend of stable.

Jul 19 Still cloudy and cool. hauled sleepers and hauled up shingles before breakfast. ____ hands came and put on the roof. got done a little after noon. shod a horse for Jacob Heaton and Bought 7 yards of fringe of him for Margaret's coat $1.97 cents.

Jul 20 Clear & Pleasant. got my stable in readiness for hay. Jacob Dean Paid the Ballance of his note 11 Dollars 29 cents. settled with D & I McCalla owed and paid them 5.75 cents. John McClona paid 1 Dollar for coal. ground my scythe. Bought a sneed & stone and am now ready to go to mowing. George Hise was Down took Dinner with us. sis went home with him. John Bowker went out and bought ____ Jo Ball's house. got back at nine (it rained).

Jul 21 Cloudy but pleasant. some rain last night. started to Canfield at 1/2 past 6 O'clock. had a first rate Anti-Slavery meeting there. it was held in the court house which was filled to overflowing with an audience that is rarely surpassed for inteligence and who listened to the soul stirring appeals of that untiring advocate of the rights of the Downtrodden ____ ____ with profound admiration. as for myself I feel like Dedicating my energies afresh to accomplish the Slaves entire Redemption.

Jul 22 Clear & Pleasant with wind in North. Went after and brought home with me Margaret Ann Dam a fine looking young woman who is going to help Do our House work. Commenced mowing at noon. got one lot mowed. the weather looks promising. H.C. Wright was here a short time. he went out to D. Bonsall's.

Jul 23 Clear & warm. finished mowing and raked up my hay. shod a horse for Rob't Haines. Benj. Bown took dinner with us he started for Pittsburg his place of residence. got Ben Hawley to haul in my hay got Done by 1/2 past 5 O'clock. Oliver has gone to Berlin. took Corretia C____ with him. A. H. Foster holds a meeting there to Day.

Jul 24 Clear & warm. spent the most of the Day in idleness. Margaret took supper at D. Woodruff's in honor of Isaac H____ & Lady. settled with Sam Brook. Paid him $1.25 cents to be applied on the liberator for which I was in arrears since 5th Feb. 1850.

Jul 25 Clear & warm. Commenced clearing out my old waggon shop preparatory to moving it. Borrowed a large screw of Tom Sharp with which to hoist it up. sweat very much all Day. took a bath this evening and feel a Darned sight better of it. made a shaft for Sim Jennings charged 75 cents. Bought 1 Barrel of ____ & 50 lb ____ for ____ use.

Jul 26 Cloudy & foggy. pryed up my shop and put the rollers under and got it all ready for moving. a fine shower of rain at one O'clock. Ben Ball paid me a Hundred Dollars he had Borrowed. I Don't know what to Do with it at the present. I shall go to bed and Possibly Dream about it. Brooks bought the Webb farm $42.15 cts per acre 93 acres of it. came to $3,919,95.

Jul 27 Raining at 5 O'clock A.M. cleared off at ten. set for likeness at Caleb Hunt's Daugeratype saloon (in my working costume. received a letter from martin Heckand. he and his folks were well. moved my waggon shop 45 feet south. it will make a fiorst rate stable, Deposited $100 Dollars in Bank. lent John Hise 5 Dollars. Bought Margaret & Ann each of them a comb. still raining at 8 O'clock.

Jul 28 Sunday. warm. borrowed Don Pettit's gun and shot a cat. went a visiting to john Gordon's and spent the whole Day with him. he has a great farm. he played some on the violin. rained hard at 6. got home at 1/2 past.

Jul 29 Cloudy with considerable rain through the Day. commenced ironing Howard ____ carriage. shod 3 or 4 horses & oxen. Edmund Phillips started east with cows. Joshua Shinn Do (note: ditto) with 2 hundred heiffers & a hundred sheep.

Jul 30 Cloudy but looks like clearing off. heard to Day that Brother Jacob's Foundry was entirely Destroyed by fire on the 19th inst. I am some in hopes that it will prove a mistake. worked at the carriage. Ike & Mary took supper with us. John Deming & Mrs. Bown of Pittsburg is here. They are on an exploring expedition in search of a farm. Oliver Bought McCurdy's Buggy & harness. Shot a cat and snapped at another.

Jul 31 some cloudy. hitched up Oliver's horse to our carriage and took our Friends Bown & Deming out to see Robt Woods Farm but he asked such an outrageous price that no one will pay 52 Dollars per acre. we were at Jarrod Cattell's also he has given up selling his. after Dinner they started to Deerfield. I found our cow at John Murphy's she got out last night. Oliver & Benj. Jones has gone to Stratton's. looks like for rain at Nine O'clock. Margaret ____ is quite sick at the Stomack.

Aug 1 Wet rained hard last night. Connealla Cowles took Dinner with us. rained very hard this afternoon. Blacksmithed. lent John Gordon one Hundred Dollars for twelve months.

Aug 2 Still cloudy and wet. heavy thunder at mid night. Henry C. Wright took Dinner with us. he has gone to Berlin where he holds a pic nic for the children tomorrow. Oliver is Down at joel McMillan's. cleared off and looks like favorable weather once more.

Aug 3 Cloudy most of the Day. Blacksmithed most of the Day. Oliver has gone to Ravenna. quite a storm of wind with some rain at 7 O'clock P.M. quite time and shall go to bed.

Aug 4 Warm and cloudy. Bought a steel ____ strap of Isaac Trescott cost 2 Dollars. Went up to Caleb Hunt's ____ but he was so ____ I soon returned. beautiful breese blowing at 2 O'clock P.M. heavy rain at 5 O'clock. Jo Thomas called and chatted awhile this evening.

Aug 5 some foggy but cleared off fine. an excellent hay Day. hooped my carriage wheels. brought home our new wash stove it looks nice enough. Attend ____ school as a spectator. think something of becoming a scholar. got in some money for blacksmithing.

Aug 6 Clear and pleasant spent most of my money for beef and lard. made a carriage springs. made a bolster for Tom Wilson he gave me 62 cents for it. Commenced a course of lessons in Drawing. 20 lessons for $1.25 cents.

Aug 7 clear and pleasant. bought Beef & Makerel. worked at springs. Charles Hoiles and Lady are spending a Day or two with us. Abby H. Foster called Down for a few minutes but could not stay as she was on Business. saw the likeness of her little Daughter she had it in a locket. Charles and I strolled round most of the afternoon.

Aug 8 warm with some indications of rain. blacksmithed some. Our Illinois friends started home at 3 O'clock. Margaret and Abby H. Foster is soliciting Donations to the Western A.S. Society. at 5 O'clock Oliver took the later Down to Joel McMillan's. tended Drawing class ____ well. (Mowed some of my grass.

Aug 9 Warm & Cloudy with no Dew. bought some Beef. mowed some more of my grass but it looks so much like rain that I held up and took in what was already cut. cleared off.

Aug 10 Warm and cloudy. rained most of the afternoon. repaired Jont Haines Hise's threshing machine and ____ waggon. Done some spring & ____.

Aug 11 Clear & Pleasant. Margaret & I sat for our pictures. practiced some in Drawing and succeeded well as I think. John Hise was out Sharpnacks in our carriage. Oliver has gone to Canton took Connealia Cowles in Heaton's Carriage.

Aug 12 Warm & clear. worked at carriage. Mother Hise & Elizabeth Dickinson took supper with us. Oliver returned at 6 O'clock P.M. attended class as usual but succeeded poorly.

Aug 13 Cloudy & warm looks some like rain. repaired and painted Oliver's Buggy. had intended to cutting my grass but on account of the Doubtful appearance of the weather shall Defer it until a more convenient season. rained hard at 11 O'clock with very heavy thunder. Margaret & Mother Hise has gone to Sharpnacks. took the blind mare and our carriage returned about 8 O'clock. Robert French's house was struck with lightning. not much Damage was Done.

Aug 14 Cloudy & wet. have a very sore hand caused by a slight burn and neglect. shall not be able to blacksmith in consequence. Oliver & Margaret started for Litchfield at 1 O'clock. They expect to stay in Randolph to night. I feel lonesome already. Don't know how I shall weather it until thursday next. I have a pleasant companion as I could expect in the absence of my only beloved. succeeded well in Drawing.

Aug 15 Day fine with wind in the north. cut and took in the balance of my hay. my hand is considerable better. Fendwick Boles brought 40 bushels of coal I owe him 1 Dollar & 46 cents.

Aug 16 Clear & cool for the season of the year. cow was in the garden last night. we had made calculations on having corn & beans for Dinner but of course that prospect is now blighted as I believe there is not one ear of corn left. worked some in the shop. commenced cradling.

Aug 17 Cloudy & cool with wind in the southwest. repaired Jonathan Sells Buggy. he gave me 75 cents cash. I earned in all about 5 Dollars. received a letter last night from James Thistle of Va-(for Nat Beeler. I gave it to Joseph Fawcett. Lent Father Hise our carriage. John Gordon called to look after a Waggon. I sent him to John Dixon. Sat up late amusing myself Drawing but as I am now a little sleepy will retire (I had liked to have forgotten to put one important fact on record (viz). I bought a gallon of Honey Syrup which cost 62 cents and while coming home broke the bottle and spilled the last Drop of it. I bought 1/2 gallon more.

Aug 18 Sunday. to Day the Campbellites hold a great Annual meeting at green village (nothing Done there for the Downtrodden). quite cool so much so as to make a fire feel quite comfortable. took Monseur (the artist) up to sketch the Lewis house 3 miles east of Mt. Union. John McClona went with us. took Dinner in Westville at his expense. called at Ridgeway Carr's and put up our horse and went north nearly one mile to see a huge oak. after some search we found it. on measuring it we found it to be seven feet through at the stump carrying thickness well some 60 or 70 feet to the first limb, the top which is very large towers far above the large trees by which it is surrounded and appears to be very thrifty. indeed the appearance of the whole tree indicates that it is yet growing rapidly. it is second to none in this section of country. Anne stays at McCalla's to night, sis and I are alone in consequence. clouded up and looks some like rain at 9 O'clock.

Aug 19 Cloudy with some rain. commenced Ben Boll's waggon worked steady all Day. Sam Ingman (a journeyman Blacksmith that worked for my Father near twenty years ago) called on me this morning he was out of money and out of everything else pertaining to manhood. I think he must be a man of irregular habits. We gave him his Breakfast after which he started for Hanover. James David called in and took supper with us. I endorsed a note in Bank for him for 12 hundred Dollars. he is going to buy cattle. Margaret Did not return as was expected. attended Drawing succeeded as usual.

Aug 20 Still cloudy and warm. hooped Ben Boll's wheels, made a log chair etc etc.

Margaret and Oliver returned at Nine O'clock P.M. attended class. Sally Jones Mother was buried at 4 O'clock. she died of enlargement of the Heart.

Aug 21 Cloudy with wind in North & Drisling rain a little. took Minne Harney got a Horse of McCracken returned at noon. quite cool at 7 O'clock we made up fire in the setting room.

Aug 22 Cool & cloudy wind in southeast. no rain.

Aug 23 Clear & warm. got J. Venable to bind my oats. bought a Dog for Sis. gave 1 Dollar for it. Oliver has gone to Mt. pleasant. Margaret spent the evening at Dickinsons. I went to Drawing school retured at 10 O'clock.

Aug 24 Clear & warm. worked some at smithing and some at portfolio for myself. repaired Allen Forker's fountain. Ben Hawley hauled in my Oats. Jane G. Lewishelm is in town this evening. she took supper with Jane Trescott. we were invited but Declined the honor of attending. I am too busy to fool away my time in that manner.

Aug 25 Sunday. Cool for the season. shod 2 horses one for Josh Holloway & the Imlah Holloway's. worked at my portfolio. went to see a young lady who is coming to work for us. she cannot come until next sunday. Isaac & Tom Taylor was here awhile this evening. Tom Wilson took Dinner with us. windy and cool at 8 O'clock P.M.

Aug 26 Cloudy & windy with some little rain. commenced Ben Ball's waggon ____ worked hard at it all Day. Sim Jennings agreed with me to make him a Buggy. attended class bought India ink gave 22 cents for it.

Aug 27 Clear & cool all Day. worked hard at the waggon. Cadwallader is working at sis's bed room.

Aug 28 Clear & Cool. hooped 2 waggons for Jo Ball.

Aug 29 Clear and some warmer. worked hard at the waggon am very tired at sun down. to Day the Orthodox quakers start to yearly meeting, there to go through their Annual mumery. when will they be led to see their utter foolishness. E. Dickinson was here to night.

Aug 30 Cloudy & wet. Bought beef & pork. went to egypt to see Rachel Hafley but found her sick. Professor Webster executed at 10 minutes before 10 O'clock.

Aug 31 Clear & pleasant. got the wagon nearly Done. made irons for suspending the weathercock on the Market House. rained moderately in the latter part of this afternoon. at 6 a fine shower. Sat up late a Drawing.

Sept 1 Sunday. raining, quite wet until about noon.Drew some and hired a horse &

buggy of McCracken. went in search of a girl. found a Maud Hoops that will help us During Anaversary week. got back at 1/2 7 O'clock P.M. Drew till late.

Sept 2 Clear & Delightful. got before light and made horse nails. shod Henry Zimmerman's mare. settled with him he owed me $2.50 Paid a Dollar of it. paid my tuition fee 1.25 cents and commenced another term of Drawing. David Holloway Died this morning at his brother Aaron's.

Sept 3 Clear & cool. shod Ben Ball's horses to go to Iowa. worked some on his wagon. went in search of a girl but got none yet. tended class.

Sept 4 Clear & pleasant. worked hard at Ben Ball's wagon got it Done about sunset. John Hise paid me five Dollars Borrowed money. I paid Alfred Wright 4 Dollars 18 cents. got 1/4 pound tea. clouded up a little before sundown. Oliver is at Marlborough.

Sept 5 Cloudy & wet. hard rain & wind at 7 O'clock. Nathan & John Ball started across country to Iowa right in midst of the shower. C.S. Bonsall brought his Oregon waggon. I have commenced it ____ ____. tended class.

Sept 6 Clear & cool. Bought a hog of Ben Ball. Paid him 4 Dollars & a half. he keeps it awhile for me. Bought 84 cents worth of beef.

Oct 3 Benjamen Ball starts to Iowa with all his family fixtures. he had five wagon loads.

Oct 5 Our fugitives have all gone to Canada in consequence of the passage of the infamous slave bill.

Nov 8 Snow 1 1/2 inches deep. An indignation meeting was held here today composed of all parties. speeches were made by Judge Wade, Newton and others against the Fugitive Slave Law.

Dec 15 Four fugitive slaves arrived at ten O'clock three of whom were from Virginia the other from New Orleans. The former went on to Canada the latter stopped with us.

Dec 23 Stormy & snowing. up to this Date the weather has been mild with alternate thawing and freezing and roads good. yesterday it rained all Day. The whole Hise family took dinner at Jesse's yesterday. John Cally is here with us yet (he is a fugitive from New Orleans).

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Apr 21 To Day resumed my journal which has been neglected for some months. The weather is stormy snowing smartly. Helped Oliver Johnson pack up his books to go East.

spent some time trying to make up a club for Gleason's Pictorial but Did not succeed. spent the evening with Oliver and Margaret at Dennis Garner's returned at 11 O'clock P.M. Doctor Harris and lady with Mar Garigues came here with us. Doc and myself walked. the Ballance came in the carriage.

Apr 22 Cleared off Delightfully. David Woodruff paid me $119.82 cents. Joshua R. Giddings spoke here to Day on the Fugitive Slave law to an audience of 7 or 8 hundred. Delorma Brooks asked some questions but only exposed himself to the sarcasm of Giddings who completely confounded him. Paid Sam Arnot one hundred Dollars of borrowed money. Paid some small debts and blacksmithed.

Apr 23 Pleasant. worked in shop. Wm. & Ruthann Lightfoot & Ben Jones took tea and spent the evening with us.

Apr 24 Cloudy & cool. started at 1/2 past 5 O'clock to Ravenna with Oliver Johnson. He is on his way to New York. arrive at 12 O'clock put up and took Dinner with Felgers. it is past 2 O'clock at which time I took leave of Oliver. called on John Abbot cashier of the Bank at Ravenna (and) some man whose name I have forgotten. sent 150 Dollars by me to J.W. Allison. left at 3 O'clock came down to Truman Case's and stayed the night.

Apr 25 Clear & warm. after Breakfast started for home. called at James, David's & Mrs. Clarke's. Arrived at home at noon. Delivered Allison's money & took his receipt. sent a Bugle to Truman Case of Randolph.

Apr 26 A little ____ with indications of rain. Bought 128 1/2 lb of Bacon of John Rakestraw at 8 cents per pound. paid him with a ten Dollar Bill. Bought sugar & coffee etc. etc. John Denning and Lady was here a few minutes this afternoon. at 9 O'clock it looks like for rain.

Apr 27 Clear and a little cool. spaded some in garden planted peas. built a flower bed for Margaret. Thundered & rained some this afternoon. went to woodland got back before sunset. cloudy at 8 O'clock.

Apr 28 Cloudy & cool. Wm Lightfoot started west by way of Ravenna & Cleveland. Abram Painter hauled forks for Brick shed. Blacksmithed. had some good playing on the violin from 8 to 10 O'clock.

Apr 29 Some cloudy but warm & pleasant. some frost last night. finished my wheelbarrow. forged 20 spindles for Daniel Bolton at 8 cents per piece. Elizabeth Dickinson was here a few minutes. I went home with her as it was after night.

Apr 30 Cloudy & windy not very cool. built a coal House up town. got poles for Brick shed at John Battons. William Pidgeon hauled them. some cloudy at 1/2 past seven. John Hise is here.

May 1 Cloudy Cold & windy. snowed hard at 10 O'clock A.M. but did not lie long. David Jimeson & Henry Rankins started East with a lot of excellent Honey. Blacksmithed until noon. Painted my wheelbarrow. went to John Deming's. Borrowed one Hundred Dollars in gold 20 Dollar pieces. Elizabeth Sheet and her three children are here to night. still windy and cold at bedtime. (got a letter from Oliver Johnson).

May 2 Clear and most Darned cold plenty of ice this morning. Bought 62 cents worth of beef. called at the office and got a Bugle. loaned D. Woodruff one hundred Dollars. finished a wheelbarrow. leveled my lot some. still very cold but wind is now in the south. I anticipate a very heavy frost to night. Friend Stanley & Henry Ambler had a quarrel well nigh fighting. Ambler drew a knife on Stanley. he is nevertheless a first rate Methodist.

May 3 Cool & wet. Drisselled rain most of the forenoon. worked in the shop until noon, put up ____ for tempering clay & leveled off our Dooryard. spent most of the evening up town.

May 4 Cloudy and cold wind in the Northwest. finished cleaning up the Door yard. all hands going to see Uncle Silas Howel to Day. had a pleasant visit. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon sat some time with us whose company is particularly agreeable. I came home through Egypt and brought some ____.

May 5 Cloudy and very cold with wind Due north. moved some of my lumber Down to the shop. shod 2 horses & mended buggy spring. Margaret Sis and I sat for our likenesses. Father Goulborn is going to take them to England. I packed his trunk to night. he intends to start in the morning. Hamilton Bought me a pig for two Dollars.

May 6 Clear & cold with stiff frost and wind in north. Father Goulborn starts for England at 4 O'clock A.M. hauled 2 loads sand. made specimin hinge for S. Chessman. got a letter from Truman Case of Randolph. still clear at 8 O'clock.

May 7 Clear & cool stiff frost. commenced making brick. for the first got 2 loads sand from Tom Painter. sent 9 Dollars to gleasons Pictorial Drawing room companions.

May 8 Clear & warm indications of rain in the evening. worked in the shop all Day. spent the evening up town. Aunt Ann Townsend is here to spend the evening and stay all night.

May 9 Clear & warm no rain last night. Ann is here at noon. Bought 86 cents worth of beef. made spindles for Don Batton. struck not less than 40,000 strokes with the Hamer to Day. made 80 spindles of cast steel. feel rather tired in consequence. (Rheuben Griffith Died).

May 10 Warm & pleasant looks some like rain. put some boards on Brick shed. made my watering trough and fixed it up. spaded some in garden. saw Joseph banker of England for the first time. he is a fine looking man. he wants to settle in our

neighborhood is out to Day looking out a farm. (hope he may find one to suit him as I am anxious to have him stay with us. (Hicksites split. old Hankes left Salem)

May 11 Some cloudy but very pleasant. spaded up my garden planted potatoes corn etc. wrote a letter to Elizabeth L. Taylor of Bucks Co. Pa. took a walk with Margaret, Harriet Dickinson & our hired girl. looks like rain at 8 O'clock P.M. (Rheuben Griffith Buried).

May 12 Cloudy with appearance of rain. very heavy thunder last night accompanied with abundance of rain. hauled out our manure. hauled 2 loads of boards from Sattenthwait's mill. A man by the name of Banks got Drowned in Schooley's Dam. he & Robt Tolerton had been washing sheep he Dove Down & supposed to have cramped. he left a wife and 4 children.

May 13 Cloudy & warm some prospects of more rain. vegitation is bursting forth rapidly. Blacksmithed all Day. rained almighty hard at 5 O'clock and is yet cloudy. ____ lots of brick.

May 14 Clear & a little cool. Blacksmithed. Margaret Davis at Joel McMillan's. she is going to the woman's convention with them. Bought 20 bus of Oats of Tom Chesman 25 cents per bushel. Bought a barrel of flour of Hunt & Webb at 3.25 per barrel.

May 15 Clear & cool with some frost this morning. worked all Day at Chesman's hinges. looks like rain to night.

May 16 A little cloudy But very pleasant very warm all Day. Nat Bealer prepared & we planted our corn. Margaret & Mary Droped and Hamilton & I covered it. Bought 28 cents worth of Beef. looks some like rain at 9 O'clock P.M.

May 17 Rained some early but like an old womans Dance it was soon over. cloudy all Day. worked in shop until 3 O'clock. gave Margaret 5 Dollars. Wm Lightfoot & I went to wood lot and brought home a load of chips. played 3 games of euker. I won the nubben. Ham went a fishing and got nothing. read the Bugle until late.

May 18 Warm & some cloudy. writ a letter to C.L. Taylor and mailed it. went to Shap's mill and Brought home a load of sheeting boards. Mr. & Mrs. Dickinson and Mary Hise took Supper with us. Clear & pleasant at 8 O'clock.

May 19 Clear & very warm. worked at all Day on Stanley's wagon. to night it looks like rain. spent the evening up town.

May 20 Some cloudy cleared off at Nine and at 12 1/2 we have a fine shower. crops are growing very fast. Mary L. Gilbert & her son Lucian called and are with us.

May 21 Some cloudy all Day. made a brand for James Potnick he gave me two Dollars & fifty cents for it worked in shop all Day. Gleason's Pictorial arrive to Day. I like the

appearance but not the sentiments. it is compromising on Slavery and that is what I despise. I am for open war on all such Devilish systems.

May 22 Cloudy with showers toward evening. hauled a load of chips. Blacksmithed the Ballance of the Day. I have concluded to send Gleasons Paper Back. I won't patronise such shameless proslavery sheet. the wind has blowed from all points of the compass to Day.

May 23 Cloudy & cool hard rain last night accompanied with considerable wind. Bought beef of Wisner (and paid for it). hauled one load of boards from Sattenthwaits. Blacksmithed the Ballance of Day. to night is very cold. I believe we shall have a hard frost. Was out to Father Hise this evening. he is right poorly with the ____. (phthic ?)

May 24 Clear and warm all Day. Blacksmithed some. Bought a hollow auger of Chessman & Wright cost 1.12. hauled a load of Boards.

May 25 Clear & Warm. filled AllenForker's wagon wheels - got Done at 2 O'clock. took a short ride the carriage called at Josh Holloway's & Joseph Ball's.

May 26 Cloudy & warm. hooped Allen Forkers wheels. planted our Potatoes in Egypt. got our Dinner at Tom Wilson's. Bought 2 pair of Boots of Trescott cost 8 Dollars. Blacksmithed some toward night.

May 27 Clear & Warm. Father Hise started to Michigan he went to Ravenna with John Negus. Margaret went to Akron to attend the Woman's convention. she went with Joel & Sarah McMillan. at noon we have a hard shower of rain cloudy and wet all the rest of the afternoon at 6 O'clock another heavy shower. made the wood work of a cultivator for Robt Dunn. Joseph Fawcett called in to see me about making a hay fork for Job Warner. he told me he got 86 Dollars & 24 cents for a 4 year old steer, 43.87 1/2 cents for a 2 year old. wrote a letter to F. Gleason of Boston.

May 28 Cloudy & showery through the Day. made cultivator teeth & sho 2 horses. returned Gleasons Drawing room companion with a pretty saucy letter. sat up late and read the Bugle.

May 29 Cloudy & windy. mended work wagon got 255 cents for it. hired Mahlon Hall to weatherboard my stable. gave him my small wagon for Doing that & Building 2 out houses. cloudy still at 9 O'clock.

May 30 Cloudy and coolish all Day. got 5 Dollars and 74 cents of Allen Forker for repairing his waggon. worked on Stanley's wagon most of the Day. replanted my corn that the hens had taken up. expect margaret home to night. she has come at nine O'clock and is really tired. (got a letter from Oliver.

Jun 1 Painted Jonathan Stanley's waggon. Joel & Sarah McMillan were here most of the

Day. we had a very pleasant time indeed. I wrote a letter to Oliver Johnson, he is in the Tribune office New York.

Jun 2 Clear & beautiful. made a cultivator and lots of other things. Done a Big Days work to Day.

Jun 3 Clear & Pleasant. mended scraper for Don Bonsall. spent some time up town to night.

Jun 4 Clear & Pleasant all Day. Jonathan Stanley took his wagon away. Margaret was out to Mother Hise's quilting. cool enough to make it comfortable sitting by a hot stove.

Jun 5 Clear & pleasant. worked in shop all Day. made Chessman hinges. got a long letter from ben Ball I want to answer it soon.

Jun 6 Cloudy & warm. hauled Boards from Tom Sharp. Cultivated my corn transplanted some Tomatoes. it is raining some at 6 O'clock. vegitation is growing finely. Margaret is up at J.F. Dickinson's spending the afternoon.

Jun 7 Cloudy. Built our coal house. in the afternoon took Mary home (four miles the other side of Georgetown) we had a very pleasant visit slept in the chamber of a log cabin and a glorious time we had. Bought Ham at the cost only $1.25.

Jun 8 Still Cloudy got up at seven. after breakfast we (David Dealondy) took a walk over the county and after taking Dinner started for home. came across Jane E. Jones at Stratton's Mill. made room in our carriage for her and brought her home. she had been absent 8 month.

Jun 9 Cloudy & coolish (out of coal). set out some cabbage plants. made a bridge before the shop. got 5 Dollars of I. Trescott and James W. Walken accounts Allen Forker's carriage ____ ____ his ____.

Jun 10 Clear & Pleasant no coal yet. cleared up things about the house and Barn and wrote a letter to Oliver Johnson.

Jun 11 Iron Blinds for Jehu.

Jun 12 Clear & cool. Ironed blinds for Jehu Fawcett and made a wagon bed for Isaac Thomas. in the evening spent some time with Ben & Jane Jones at their rooms. I saw for the first time their plans of the house they propose building. it is nice & large.

Jun 13 Cloudy & cool with wind in the north west. got up at 2 O'clock & went for Beef found Sam Fawcett already there. came home and took a good nap of sleep before Day. was waked up by a call from John Kineman. I owed him a Dollar. he wanted it and I paid it to him. Glad I had it for him.

Jun 14 Cloudy & pleasant. wind in the North west. hunted cow most of forenoon. hauled some rubbish from Allens old Tavern. broke my shovel and bought another for fifty cents. Hamilton finished ironing Jehu's blinds and helped me cultivate our corn. Allen Tavern is Down even with the top of the ground. the liberal Hicksites held a conference here to Day. I suppose for the purpose of Devising some more acceptable mode of worship than they now practice. perhaps if each one was to stay at home he would promote the general welfare quite as well as in any way they adopt.

Jun 15 Clear & Pleasant. mowed our Door yard. took a ride in the carriage. all of us went out to Joseph Straughan's hill and got a good view of Salem. tended J.W. Walker's meeting at 3 O'clock. Wm. Bradfield is here staying with us to night.

Jun 16 Cloudy & cold with wind in the northwest. Wm. Bradfield took breakfast with us. after shoeing a horse for Jennings I undertook to move a frame house for Allen Forker but it proved to be too rotten and we abandoned the moving and commenced tearing it Down. Got a fine cheese of Joseph England.

Jun 17 Clear & Pleasant to Day. Wm. Amburger's great Minagavic is here. we are all going to see it except Margaret she Does not want to go. the legal voters vote for the adoption of the new constitution. I suppose it will be adopted. I was solicited to be a judge of Election but politely Declined the honor. I will be no party to a government that is so partial as to prohibit Women and Negras from exercising the elective franchise. what can be more mean and Diabolical than to tax a portion of community to Defray the expense of government and then Deny the right of said portion a voice in the government. such conduct is becoming such Political hippocrites and Dastards as we at present are cursed with. I have returned from the Exhibition and such a hell of a jam I never saw, thousands and thousands were there. Von Amburg with his animals performed admirable, he has them under most excellent discipline. John Gordon, Mrs. Gordon and son, Unkle Silas, Aunt Jane and two of her sons took Supper with us. John lived by being involved at the show. Mary Ann rode round the ring on the Elephant. Margaret and I took a walk round to see them in the ____. the male Elephant is very large weighing over ten thousand pounds. They took in over eleven Hundred Dollars at the Door. they go from here to Canfield.

Jun 18 Some cloudy cool & pleasant. John Deming lodged with us last night. came in after we were all in bed. he is well acquainted with the interior of our humble Dwelling. worked some in the shop. Mr. Humphrey (who is going to put a gravel roof on Chessman's new Building arrived about 10 O'clock. As I am going to learn the art I strolled round with him until noon. in the afternoon Dug some clay and made Jo Painter a grubbing hoe. Mother Goulbourn is unwell. Margaret spent most of the Day and evening with her. I spent the evening with Ben & J. E. Jones. came home rather late, looked over a Borrowed number of Gleason's Pictorial before retiring.

Jun 19 Cloudy & coolish. hauled a load of Boards from Sharp's & from Sattenthwait's.

Borrowed 15 Dollars of Joseph Ball and paid John Welsh. he was forced to quit tinkering in consequence of having the Ague. went to Schooley's Mill for plank but got few.

Jun 20 Cloudy & very pleasant. Done some shoeing but worked but moderate to Day. Father Hise returned this evening. He left Cleveland at Nine O'clock to Day. a fine shower at sunsett. the ground was very Dry.

Jun 21 Clearing off this morning and is going be a fine Day. (one line indicipherable) ....two latching posts. put them before the shop and painted them. blacksmithed some. took Thomas Humphrey (of Brighton) Down to see Sharp's sawmill. sun sett in clouds and looks like rain. hired another temperer.

Jun 22 Cloudy with some indications of rain. took Humphrey up to see the large oak and from there to the great embankment on the Trail Road 1 mile north of Damascus. got home at 2 O'clock. went out to Father Hise, but found them entirely too thorny for me so I put home as soon as convenient. had some rain and a very pleasant breese and at sun on Hour high the Atmosphere could not be finer. cool & pleasant.

Jun 23 Cloudy & wet with some rain through the night. worked at Jo Ball's wheels most of the Day. still cloudy & cool. John McKinney commenced tempering to Day. Bot a barrel of Flour of Hunt cost $3.25. engaged 2 acres of Mowing grass of Job Hilliard no price sett.

Jun 24 Cool & Cloudy. wind in the northwest. remained cloudy all Day. finished Jo Ball's wheels & made wood work of unloading hay rake for Job Wonner of Auburn Cuyahoga Co. Ohio. Mother Goulborn got a letter from Father G. he was safe in England. found all his folks well. none of them new him. he Describes the country & the morals of the people as having undergone a change for the better. he expects to sail for home about the middle of July. Ben & J.E. Jones spent the evening with us.

Jun 25 Heavy Dew & Dense fog but has cleared off beautifully at 6 O'clock A.M. finished my rake. & all hands Dry clay. I Dug one place fourteen feet Deep and the clay was still good.

Jun 26 Some cloudy but very pleasant no rain. Dry clay all Day and am tired at sundown. Thomas Boone's wife Died at 9 O'clock A.M. Thomas Humphrey went home to Day. Lydia Anne Hoops took supper with us. Sarah McMillan & Julia Cleverly was here. they had on the new fashion Dresses I approve of them highly.

Jun 27 Cloudy & warm had a fine shower this morning at 2 O'clock. got up at three and went for Beef got 13 1/2 lb total at 6 1/2. commenced the ironing of Simeon Jennings Buggy.

Jun 28 Cloudy & very pleasant. Mrs. Helvington paid me 21 Dollars on last years rent. paid all of it to my brick hands. Paid for a barrel of flour. paid John White 1.25 cents.

Bought 2 lb candles. got a letter from Wm. McConnell he is in Canada. Mary Beaumont & Miss Phillips were here and I sang them a few songs in my way.

Jun 29 Clear & warm with a pleasant Breese. sat round most of the forenoon. Done a little brass plating for George Weaver wrote Down a song called courting in the Kitchen. lent Ben Jones our horse and carriage to go to Bowen's got Back at sunsett. I took a walk with Margaret. I. Dickinson & Harriet were here to night.

Jun 30 Cloudy & warm with a most Delightful shower last night vegetation very much refreshed. we are out of a temperer again. commenced to iron a large cart for Tom Sharp. Bought paper of Trescotts to paper a room for Mrs. Kelvington. Edward the Fugitive is putting it on. Margaret & Sis took the carriage and went to see Sarah McMillan she is quite poorly. Father hise has got a very bad leg supposed to be Dropsey. looks like rain at 9 O'clock P.M.

Jul 1 Clear & delightful but I am not well myself. Bought 50 cents worth of coffee. shod a Horse for Jennings then went to work at Chessman's roof. Humphrey returned at 5 O'clock this morning. Ben Jones Mother & sister arrived at 10 O'clock. quite cool with heavy clouds hanging off west. lend Joseph England one Dollar. Joel McMillan hauled Boards for Sharp.

Jul 2 Clear & cool with heavy Dew. finished Chessman's roof at noon. Done but little in the afternoon. rained some toward evening. Isaac Taylor was here & spent and hour or two very agreeable to all of us.

Jul 3 Raining at sunrise with prospect of continuance. cloudy & fair at intervals all Day. hired our carriage to Thomas & French to go to Greenville Pa. got Father Goulbourn carriage & Margaret & I went to Gordons and took supper. got back after Dark. found Mary busy sewing and whistling. rained a hard shower about Dark. paid Jesse Riggs 50 cents. twelve years from the hour I write we were Married the weather just the same that it is now Dark & raining.

Jul 4 Clear & Pleasant. bought 8 1/2 lb Beef. mowed our Door yard for the third time the weeds grow rank. worked half Day on Jenning's Buggy. rode Mike down to John Hilliards & bought 2 acres of grass at $4.25 cents per acre. Hamilton has been gunning just returned with 4 squirrels & 1 wild Duck. Margaret is up town at supper time & Mary is tittering at Genett Williams ____ ____. Father Hise was here to Day. his leg is no better. I gave him my Buckskin shoe to wear on his sore Old foot. Joseph Fawcett returned to Day from his ____ town. spliced a rake for David Fawcett's hay fork. So cool to night as to render it absolutely necessary to have a fire in order to be at all comfortable. Paid Edmond Hilliard 50 cents toward papering the room owe him $1.95 cents yet. 1 person killed at Lisbon by the bursting of a cannon.

Jul 5 Clear & very pleasant. cut an opening into the vault of the Salem Bank By cutting the hinges off. the lock is out of repair. Henry C. Wright is here to Dinner. he is just

from Boston. made the tine and hooped Sharp's lag cart wheels. had to heat one of them twice. Hamilton has gone for chips.

Jul 6 Clear & cool enough to make it pleasant. Sam French paid me two Dollars for carriage ____. Bought Sis a pair of shoes at Groves but they are too small. Mary & Sis went home with Hamilton. I went to Connell's and cleaned the lock of Bank vault. took Dinner with him. they are very sociable and agreeable people. Sam Brooke cam home with us and chated awhile. Job Warrens son came and got his hay fork paid me 8 Dollars for it. Sam Brooke changed a five Dollar Bill for him. Mary & Hamilton returned at five o'clock left Sis at Gordon's. John Whinnery is to bring her home in his Buggy. Margaret & I walked up town she in her Bloomer Dress. created quite a sensation among the Fools some of whom laughed so immediately that I should not wonder if washer women was at a premium tomorrow.

Jul 7 Cloudy & cool with some indications of rain. Blacksmithed some. ground our scythes and mowed all the afternoon. to night it looks like rain and I am tired.

Jul 8 Cloudy & very sultry and close. bought 8 lb Steak. feel quite refreshed after a good night's sleep. took Kate to Evans. rained some at 7 O'clock. Blacksmithed all Day and am some tired in consequence. very warm all Day.

Jul 9 Some cloudy. after breakfast Hamilton & I went out to Williams and spread out our grass and mowed some more. at noon commenced raking it up. I got 2 teams to haul but got only one load home. we had the misfortune to upset one load and just as we got it loaded again the rain poured Down in torrents. we however succeeded in covering it with boards sufficiently to keep it Dry. rain continuing until night. we thought it prudent to leave it and it is now standing in Hilliard's Door yard and where it may store until the weather gets more favorable. I got quite wet coming home but feel none the worse for it at present.

Jul 10 Cloudy & wet with lots of rain last night considerable rain since Day light. my boots have shrunk so much (from the wetting they got yesterday) that I will have to get them dried out before I can get them on. got our load of hay home and unloaded by noon. Done but little work in the afternoon. Paid Ben Hilmon a Dollar & Samuel Wisner $1.36 cents. bought 48 cents worth of iron. (Richard Gonigan's Child was buried to Day). clear at 8 O'clock and a little coolish. Allen laid the first brick in his Hotel.

Jul 11 Clear & pleasant with prospects of fair weather. Paid off my Butcher bill $4.21 cents. went & cut the ballance of our hay and got John Gibbon's & Ben Hawley's teams and hauled it in. I guess there was 4 tons on the two wagons. read H.C. Wright's pamphlet.

Jul 12 Cloudy with prospects of rain. Shackled round all Day. got six Dollars & 20 cents of Isaac Trescott making 25 Dollars in all I got of the Wet Society. on James Walkers account he still owes me 25 Dollars. Bought 45 yards muslin of Jo Horner at a fraction

less than 9 cents per yard. the same Horse that Killed Morris at Marlborough ran off with Isaac Thomas and his hired Man. the latter was thrown from the wagon and very seriously injured.

Jul 13 Some cloudy but very pleasant. got up at sunrise and enjoyed the morning air. the wounded man was brought back to town this morning is getting better is not seriously hurt. lent Ben Jones our horse & carriage. Did not back till after night. spent the Day at home and enjoyed myself very much. Morris Robinson called took a late Dinner with us and chatted till nearly sunsett. I was glad to have him come.

Jul 14 Clear & pleasant. looks like for fine weather. Hamilton is harvesting for john Gordon. I commenced a nice ladder for myself. shod some Horses and made a bolster for John Greiner. looks like rain at 8 O'clock.

Jul 15 Cloudy & warm. bought 11 lb beef and went and picked a fine lot of Rasberrys. Dug some clay. bought a close line coat 31 cents. Ben Jones his Mother and wife spent the afternoon and took supper with us. had a pleasant time. Cloudy and very warm at 8 O'clock P.M.

Jul 16 Some cloudy & very warm a little air stirring that makes it pleasant. after breakfast we all went Rasberrying got a fine lot of them. rode back with Mr. Greiner. Dug clay until noon. rained hard at 1 O'clock. hooped and repaired Thomas Pinkhams wagon wheels. John Greiner paid me 75 cents for bolster. Margaret is unwell but I hope not seriously.

Jul 17 Clear & warm. worked at jennings Buggy. got 2 Dollars of Thomas Pinkham. Old John Shearren Died last night. Cloudy and looks like for rain at 8 O'clock. E. Dickinson is here a putting on her bloomer Dress.

Jul 18 Clear & pleasant. finished Jennings Buggy gearings. Dug clay until noon. Ben Jones Mother called in and spent a few minutes with Margaret. (John Shearer buried). Thomas Eltons wife Died at Eleven Oclock. I blacksmithed until sundown. took the carriage and brought Margaret from Father Hises where she had been visiting. E. Dickinson, E. Silver, Ame Wilson were here when we returned.

Jul 19 Clear & pleasant. got late quite too late. Mary had breakfast almost ready. Dug some clay. bought 56-1/2 lb of ham of Philip Orons. paid him 8 cents cash. got 8 Dollars of Mrs. Helvington. $7.50 of Eli Wolfley one quarters rent. Painted front room for Mrs. Helvington, went with Jason Reefs for sand. rained hard at 4 Oclock. Thomas Elton's Wife was buried at 4-1/2 Oclock. (Paid W McKinney one Dollar).

Jul 20 Cloudy & quite cold. received 2 pieces of sculpture as a present from Jane E. Jones, accompanied by a note of which the following is a litteral coppy. "Dear Friend, I send these toys for Mary Ann because you value them and Ella does not. You need not find that you are robbing her, for she Does not come for them at all". Jane E. Jones. I

pride the above gifts very highly and shall preserve them with great care. repaired Ella Jones Carriage. John Hise & wife spent the afternoon and took supper with us. went early to bed and slept comfortable all night.

Jul 21 Clear & cool. slept sound all night. got up early and feel well. put on my new leather suspenders for the first time. Dug clay until supper time. Margaret & I went Down to B Bowinz. Ben Jones, Wife & Mother accompanied us. got back rather late. Margaret is Driving in at front gate ran against the Post & broke the end of carriage shaft.

Jul 22 Clear & pleasant. Bought Beef. I dug clay most of the Day. Shod a horse for Jo Hollaway. Bought 3 Bushels oats at 22 cents per bushel. Mrs. Buntz & Daughter took supper with us. Old Mary Barber buryied to Day.

Jul 23 Cloudy & very warm all Day. worked at sharps cart most of the Day. Turned a grindstone shaft for John Gordon. Dug a little clay. Hauled in load of wood from Egypt. the first house set on 4th St. laid out by Samuel Watterworth north of High St. the House was moved there by Jonathon Hutchinson & belongs to Wm McClane.

Jul 24 Cloudy & verry pleasant. rained some last night. worked some on Sharps. cart. rained considerable about noon. Mother Hise took supper with us. took a strole up town got back after Dark.

Jul 25 Cloudy & cool. good breeze from the west. not verry well at 7 Oclock. remained cloudy most of the Day. Ironed Hennings Buggy. Margaret and I walked up town in the evening. a strong Breeze all Day from the west.

Jul 26 Cloudy & warm. bought 7-1/2 lb beef to Day the Bloomers hold a Picnic Day remained fine. cloudy with no rain. Wm Hunt Died this afternoon. he was a son of Stacy Hunt. Spent the afterpart of the Day with Ben & Elizabeth Jones and their Mother. lightninged verry much all the evening. went to bed early.

Jul 27 Cloudy & cool. wind blowing from the west. got up late and feel rather Dull in consequence. Took a short walk with Margaret but the weather being cool & Damp that we soon returned. Sarah Galbreath spent the most of the Day with us. I wrote a letter to Ben Ball of Iowa, one to T F Hise of new Albany, Ind. on business for Mr. Hamison. took a short walk with Margaret. Wm Hunt was Burried at 5-1/2 Oclock.

Jul 28 Clear and fine. got up early. slept upstairs for the first time. found it very pleasant. went up and took leave of Ben Jones his wife & Mother. Elizabeth started to Michegon. Ben takes Ella to her Aunts at Oneida New York. he and his Mother goes from there to Philadelphia. . worked some at Big cart. shod horse for Jim Jennings. his Lady returned from England last evening. she visited the principal part of Europe.

Jul 29 Clear & coolish. Bought 12 lb of good Beef. laid in bed too late. Blacksmithed

most of the Day. mowed some of my front lot. Sarah Haines took supper with us. clear & cool at sunset. Samuel Pointer Died at 7 Oclock. he had the Disentary. Pinkerton Schooley & Don Carey were his Phisicions. he made a will.

Jul 30 Some cloudy But very pleasant. got up early & ___ my ____. not quite done at noon. my ___ is a ___ from one. & I am not very well which makes it hard work indeed. repaired a wagon wheel for Uncle Giles Howell. Samuel Pointer was Burried at 5 Oclock, put my Hay up in cock. Mary helped me make it up. looks like rain at 7 Oclock.

Jul 31 Cloudy & Drissilled rain all the forenoon. in the afternoon quite a shower painted sharps cart & hooped unkle Silas wheel. looks like clearing off at 6 Oclock. Margaret is out at Father Hises. she took the carriage & Old Mike. she got back safe about Sundown.

Aug 1 Cloudy & Damp. got up late. Do not feel verry well got slight headache. finished sharps. can't commence my Derrick for hoisting gravel & pitch on roofs. rained some this afternoon. and is still some cloudy. Rachel Hise was here visiting here this forenoon. Bought a barrel of flour & 8 lb coffee.

Aug 2 Cloudy & Dence fog. bought 7-1/2 lb beef. made Albert Reefs an axe handle. got $7-1/2 of James Depier. first quarters rent on house No 2 on Lisbon St. paid Jacob Smith 8 Dollars for making Jennings Buggy wheels. works some on my Derrick and got in my hay. got a check for $___ of D. Woodruff.

Aug 3 Clear & pleasant. worked some on my Derrick. all hands went to David Scholdfields after taking Dinner picking a good supply of blackberrys and taking a strole over his farm we all returned home. Mary Ann (our Daughter) is right unwell. I suppose she has taken a heavy cold. A child of John Thompsons is buryied this afternoon. Died with the Disentary, some more of the Family is Down with the same complaint. Allen Forker is engaged with several hands in making and binding of hisoats. writ a letter to G W Hise set up late.

Aug 4 Cloudy and wet. rained considerable last night and is cool at 7 Oclock. Damp all Day. worked at my Derrick. Hamilton & I corded up some of our Brick ___ Paid John Deiming one Hundred Dollars (borrowed on the second Day of May.) Yesterday I measured a grape vine that was 23 inches in circumferance the longest one I ever saw. (Mary Ann is quite well at present). still some cloudy at 8 Oclock.

Aug 5 Clear & warm all Day. finished moulding our brick to Day. made Jennings Buggy tire, corded up some more of our brick ___. Sarah Galbreath bought and paid for Oliver Johnsons table she paid three Dollars for it. Took a short walk with Margaret before retiring.

Aug 6 Some cloudy with a good breese. Ann Eliza Lee come here at 1 Oclock A.M. she come from Wellsville in the hack. Henry Shaffertook her to Marlboro by horse charged

him two Dollars & a half. they start at 11 Oclock. hooked Jennings Buggy wheels hauled four loads of loose stone. Tom Hinneyman put fire in the Brick – hauled a load of wood and Dug a few Potatoes in Egypt.

Aug 7 Cloudy & warm. got up at 1 Oclock to attend Brick kiln. Blacksmithed some. Barcley Gilbert, wife & sons and Harmak Brook were here to Dinner. donley was here in the evening. we had some spirit. Jesse McBride lectured here on anti slavery. he gave his experience in North Carolina where he was muled and ruthlessly Driven from the State.

Aug 8 Clear at 7 Oclock. stood watch at Brick kiln. Barkleys Horses is here yet but he and they were at Jacob Houstons last night. worked some in the Shop. took a nap of sleep at noon. Barcley started home at 5 Oclock. they are going to Denis Groves to night. quite a shower at 5 Oclock.

Aug 9 Cloudy & warm, bought 10 cords of wood of Emon Fawcitt. he gets a new wagon of me. got a cheese of Joseph Biglow not a verry good one. repaired a wagon for Jo Ball. Blacksmithed some. am verry sleepy while writing. must take a nap. spent the evening up town at Dickinsons. verry clear and moonlight all night.

Aug 10 Clear & cool. took a walk with Margaret we went out to David Painters Farm and looked over it. they were not up. took the shed off our brick. the water smoke is about all out. John Deming took Diner with us after which we went to look at Abram Beards plumbs. they exceed anything for beauty I ever saw. (they are the Canada egg). I am sleepy and tired. lent Mother Hise the carriage to go to Canfield.

Aug 11 Cloudy & warm some rain about Day light. Emma Fawcett commenced hauling my wood for burning brick. bought 2 Bushels Oats. Hamilton went to Whistters and got 16 bushels coal cost one Dollar. Blacksmithed some. Paid Tom Hinneymon one Dollar. Benjamin Bown his lady & Lanola Macmillen called here a few minutes they were endeavoring to revive the Anti-Slavery sewing circle. made a bargain with Mr. Rey to furnish him with a sett of timber wheels. we agreed to let Tom Sharp say what it is worth and we one to abide by it. Rey is to give me fifty Dollars worth of joice and the Balance in money. went to bed at Nine Oclock. rained some at 2 Oclock.

Aug 12 Cloudy & Pleasant. Bought 10-3/4 # beef. (to Day Margaret is 30 years Old). Went to Egypt and Dug some potatoes and Brought some wood. Bought some iron for Jennings Buggy. Margaret was up town visiting . got Back at Dark. Anne Wilson & Harriet Dickinson came with her. we all went over to see the Brick kiln. it is very hot. they went home early and I retired.

Aug 13 Clear & Warm. our brick one burned. we shut them up at 7 Oclock making 6 Days and 7 nights and Burned about 60 cord of wood which is a ____ burn. Tom Thomach paid me 4 Dollars for his cultivator one I made him last June 2nd. Blacksmithed some but am too sleepy to Do much. Margaret is up at Jesse Hises at 4

Oclock. Mary went up and got her foot measured for a pair of Jenny Linds. I spent the evening up town we all come Down in company with Mother Gouldbourn & Aunt Kitty. went to bed early and rested well.

Aug 14 Clear & coolish. Bought some green Paint. Paid John Flint three Dollars and twenty five cents for flour. got a check of John Deming for 45 Dollars (for cart.) repaired uncle Silas wagon. Margaret went Down to Joel Mcmillens and I am just going to start. found them ___ the ___ were them. we got home about Dusk.

Aug 15 Cloudy & verry cool for this time of year. blacksmithed most of the Day. Margaret & Mary went Blackberring. got right smart of them. returned at 3 Oclock. Margaret is some tired. went up and got the Bugle. Fido brought it home. he is a faithful fellow. read the Bugle until bedtime.

Aug 16 Warm & Clear. Bought 5 # beef. Hamilton & I went after Blackberries. got about one peck. got back at 9 Oclock. Blacksmithed the ballance of the Day. Margaret has the tooth ache.

Aug 17 Cloudy and wet. Rained considerable last night. Margaret rested poorly all night. I got up early and heat cornmeal and applied it to her face. she took a Dose of Lunce and as I write she is resting in her chair and seems quite Broken Down in spirit. I am considerably for most of it Charley Stratton was here for our horse and buggy but as we want to use it ourselves of course he did not get it painted Unkles wagon Bed. went up town in afternoon. rained quite a shower at 6 Oclock. Margaret is till poorly at Dark.

Aug 18 Cloudy and cool weather. still unsettled. Margaret still poorly. face swelled from inflammation inteeth and jaws. Bought 90 cents worth of ¾ rope of Heaton for Derrick. worked all Day on Jennings Buggy. at 6 Oclock clear and cold enough for frost. lent Pidgeon my brick shed poles. he is to return them in the spring if I want them if I Do not he is to pay me for them. I lent him my Brick molds also.

Aug 19 Cool & Pleasant. blacksmithed all Day. Wm Lightfoot called in a few minutes. I lent him a Liberator. Margaret face is still swollen considerable. Clear & cool at Dark. lent Pidgeon some hack ____.

Aug 20 Cloudy & cool. Jesse Jennings Died this morning. blacksmithed all Day. read the Liberator until bedtime. Mary has gone to sleep with Jonette our neighbor woman whose husband is not at home.

Aug 21 Cloudy & Foggy. go to wk early and took a stroll up town. Did not feel like going to work. took a short walk with Margaret but was to Damp for her to be out. Jesse Jennings was buried to Day. Mary got her new shoes. cost $1.50 cents. got five Dollars of Thomas & French on house rent. rained at 9 Oclock.

Aug 22 Cloudy & wet. got up early. housed my carriage. got three Dollars and 83 cents

of Thomas & French. paid Christion Hinimon one Dollar. got a letter from George Hise. he is at St Joseph Mo. received one from Oliver Johnson for his Lady. Marius Robinson is here and is going to stay all night. sat up until eleven Oclock. Rained hard.

Aug 23 Clear & cool. bought 22 # beef. going to start early to Mt. Union. to superintend the putting up the Big tent in which we purpose hold our Anti Slavery Anniversary which commences tomorrow. Margaret & Mary is not going until morning. I shall be somewhat lonesome there among strangers. wrote an order for Chris Hinneman to get clothing at Tom Thompsacks.

Aug 24 25 26 Attended our anniversary, and a glorious time we had. the tent was crowded to its utmost capacity. we put up with Donnie Reeves ½ mile south of Mt Union. he is a verry warm hearted and generous man. we met all of our old friends the Cases of Randolph. I got the Daguenatype of the twin Brothers Augustus & Ernastes Case. our meeting Dismissed at 3 Oclock and all hands left for home. we Brought Parker Pillsbury & Charles C Bunleigh home with us. Mr. Brown of Canfield was with us all night. Father Gouldbourn returned from England last night.

Aug 27 Clear & verry cool with quite a frost for the first this fall. Bought 7 ½ # of good beef. Brown started home commenced putting on Allen Forkers Hotel roof. he finds all and gives me 16 Dollars for it. got another ____ from Oliver.

Aug 28 Clear & cool. Charles Burleigh held an antislavery meeting last night. he had a large audience and made a good impression. still working at the roof. Joel Painters wife Died. is very old. to be buried tomorrow. Charles Burleigh went to Lisbon. started at ten Oclock. Rheuben Mcmillen took him Down with Our horse and carriage. Parker Pillsbury is Down at Joel Mcmillens spending the evening.

Aug 29 Clear & verry warm. finished my Hotel roof. Parker is still at Joels. Mrs. Painter was buried to Day. Paid Mr. Hamlon 5 Dollars for bacon got by Tom Hineman. Anne Wilson was here awhile this evening. I am always glad to have her call Down.

Aug 30 Clear & warm. blacksmithed all Day. Drew 45 Dollars out of bank. paid Tom Thompnack 14 Dollars. Paid Christian Kineman 10 Dollars and Mr. Colson ten Dollars. Mrs. Beaty $100 cents. received 68 Dollars of George Kidd. from John Wilkinson for a wagon sent him by Charles C Bumleigh he had a good audience. got a letter from Oliver Johnson which I was very glad to receive. ____ Parkins ____, and then somewhat wrong. retired.

Aug 31 Warm & slightly cloudy. (got a letter from Oliver) am going to take Parker to the Berlin meeting. Margaret & Sis is going with us. rained some about 9 Oclock. got to meeting at at ½ past ten. took Dinner with Adna Silver. meeting Dismissed at 4 Oclock. Parker went home with James ___. took Supper with Smith Townsend. left for home at Six Oclock. arrived at ½ past seven.

Sep 1 Clear & warm. shod Horses most of the Day. paid Tom Hinsman ten Dollars. felt rather low in spirit in the evening. went to bed early.

Sep 2 Cloudy & warm with some prospects of rain. bought 5 # beef. shod Horses all Day for Richardson he paid me 472 cents cash. shod for Marius Robinson & John Webb & ____. got some at Dusk. went early to bed.

Sep 3 Clear & warm. lent John Hise ten Dollars. made and put up Chesmons awning frame. worth 4 Dollars.

Sep 4 Clear & warm. got up early and helped Abram Webb hitch to my Carriage. I hired to Samuel French to take some quaker ladies to New Brighton. Hooked John Gibbons wagon and I Done various other jobs in shop cleaned up round the Brick yard and am now tired at Sunsett.

Sep 5 Clear & verry Dry & warm. blacksmithed most of the Day. carriage got Back at 4 oclock – received one Dollar & fifty cents from the use of it. spent sometime up town. Jacob Painter Died at ½ past seven P.M. aged 88 years & one month. He settled here in the year Eighteen Hundred and three. saw the first house built in Salem that now has a population of two thousand. quite a change.

Sep 6 Clear & still Dry. bought beef and engaged Joseph Fawcetts Old Buggy to go to new Brighton. heard that James Ball was going to Pennsylvania to get married. Ironed a trap Door for Chesnay. Allen Forker paid me for putting on his roof (16 Dollars). he gave me ten Dollars to buy & pay for two Kegs of 8 __ nails for him. Jesse Hise sends twenty Dollars to buy Iron, John Hise returned the money borrowed of me on the 2nd. Jo Pickets saw mill burned at 8 Oclock A.M.

Sep 7 Clear & pleasant. got up at 8 Oclock. going to Start for Pittsburg at ½ past 3. I am going to take Old Mike as far as new Brighton. I have counted and arranged my Money. I have 87 Dollars of my own & 30 Dollars of other Peoples. started at Day break, and I arrived at New Brighton at about 2 Oclock. put up my horse and took Dinner at Sheflers. and walked up to see Thomas Humphrey a Distance of two miles. found him and his family well(and agreeable). after strolling over his farm we took supper. and returned to my lodging. he accompanied me back as far as the Rail Road Bridge where we parted for the night. I slept but poorly the night was so warm.

Sep 8 Clear & warm. arose early. after eating a hearty breakfast, bought and excurtion ticket for one Dollar and twenty cents, and left on the cars for Pittsburgh. arrived about 9 Oclock. repaired immediately to Graffe Lindsey iron store and bought 2316 pounds of Iron for which I paid $80.19 cents. also 5.70 pounds for Jesse Hise and paid $16.81 cents for it. 2 kegs of nails for Allen Forker cost 5.00 per keg. got it all shipped on the Heroine to Wellsville for 15 cents per hundred. called on Mr. Hamond No 84 Wood St and had quite a talk with him about putting on gravel roofs. Bought 2 Dollars worth of wallpaper of him. called and took Dinner at the Red Lion on St Clair St for which I only paid 25

cents. bought John Hise a saddle there for which I paid one Dollar & a half crossed over into Allegany town and went to see the passenger station to await the arrival of the cars. in Due time they arrived well filled with passengers. at 5 Oclock they again left for New Brighton at which place we arrived at ½ 6 Oclock. took supper & loafed on the settee until late. retired but not to sleep it was warm.

Sep 9 I got up at 8 Oclock A.M. and fed my horse intending to start home but could not find my Harness until Daylight and then not all. the bridal is still missing. the ____ furnished me with one instead. started home at sunrise. fed in Pallstine. bought Margaret the Handsomest clothes basket I ever saw. gave $125 cents for it. Bought it of the Maker. arrived at home at 8 Oclock. found all well, spent the afternoon in looking up a team to go for ___ from John Gibbons expect to go on Tuesday. I have noted Down all the particulars, and shall now retire so note it be. Marge Pow Died.

Sep 10 Clear & warm. got up late. made Johnson & Horner an awning and put it up. Directed and sent Oliver Johnson books to J MM McKim Philadelphia. John Gibbons takes them to Wellsville. got 75 cents for Carriage & Waggon here. bought 2 bushels of oats.

Sep 11 A little cloudy with some prospects of rain. worked verry hard all Day. Charles Griffing & Lady with Sally Hollie & a Miss Putnonis here to Diner. Sally gives an Anti Slavery Discourse this evening in 2nd Baptist church. got a letter from George Hise. he is still at St Joseph, Mo. attended the lecture which a verry good one got home late and tired and shall now go to bed. got my Daugenstype taken in my working clothes.

Sep 12 Clear & warm with all signs of rain vanished. today I am 38 years of age. I feel as though I might be about the top rung of lifes ladder as _____ to my phisical being. Our visitors are still with us and as I write Margaret alone is trying to make them comfortable by fixing them a breakfast. I got her some good loaf of Wisner. our friends are gone went to Hanover. hired the carriage to _____ 3 Days for 160 cents in advance. Bought 30-1/2 yards of muslin at Johns for 6-1/4 cents for yard. verry cheap. still very warm this is the hottest month we have had this Sumer the pasture is about burnt up.

Sep 13 Clear & hot. worked hard all Day and now when I write I am tired. my iron arrived at 11 Oclock. 3 bars missing. supposed to be still on board the Heroine. Huffstott has given me his word that the iron shall be forthcoming. it is cloudy at 5 Oclock and looks as though it might at some time in the future rain. a child of Jesse Hawleys was buried to Day. to my surprise we have had quite a shower accompanied with considerable wind and at 8 Oclock the weather is much cooler.

Sep 14 Cloudy windy & cold. got up late. shod a horse for John Gibbons. lent John Hise Old Mike to go to Revanna for goods from Johnson V Hiner. so cold we have to keep a fire in our sitting room. spent the evening with Ruthanna & Wm Lightfoot. got home at 9 Oclock.

Sep 15 Cloudy & cold. wind in north east hung our shop doors and put in windows. continued cold all Day. John Hinks child was buried to Day. commenced a hand cart for myself.

Sep 16 Clear & cold with considerable frost. bought 8# beef. Blacksmithed all Day. received a letter from Parker Pillsbury. he was at Carrollton when he wrote. he had been having a talk with Simeon Jennings on the Slavery question, but found him a heartless wretch. he has cultivated his organ of acquaintenships to such an extent as to destroy in a great measure his Humanity, and blunt his better feelings. if such hollow heartedness is the legitimate offspring of wealth may I be preserved from it, what a vast amount of good he might Do were he only so Disposed, I Doubt not some Doctor of Divinity will spring up to invite him a fulsome epitaph. I Do not know but I might write him one myself.

Sep 17 Clear & cool. still Dry. blacksmithed all Day. bought Sis a Dress for her Doll. Margaret bought herself a nice lawn Dress at Johnson & Horner cost 2.37-1/2. Jennings was Down to see his Buggy likes it well.

Sep 18 Clear but not quite so cool. blacksmithed all Day. Emon Fawcett is hauling stone for me. some cloudy at Sundown, but prospects for rain not very flatering. Hensilwoods Harriet is very sick, recovery Doubtful. sat up late reading the Liberator. Margaret is Dressing a Doll for Sis.

Sep 19 Cloudy but no rain. worked all Day on Jennings Buggy. got John Hineman to cut off my corn gave him 25 cents. spent some time up town. Dinah Day is here with us she is just from Canada. she is Doing well there. Margaret has not got Mary Ann Doll Done yet but expects to finish it to night.

Sep 20 Clean & pleasant. bought 7# beef & paid for it. I am going to Daniel Hises after Mary (our hired girl). I am waiting for breakfast. Hamilton is going a gunning. I am going to try to get some crandberrys. Do not expect to back before noon tomorrow.

Sep 21 Cloudy but no rain yet. got to Dhiels at noon and found Mary hard at work. took a walk with Charles through the crandberry swamp, and looked through the country some in the afternoon. in the evening I read an interesting account of the escape of an American taken prisoner in the Revolution, and confirmed on board the “Old Jersey” old Disabled ship that anchored in long Island sound, it was intensly interesting and I ended well. started for home about 9 Oclock. arrived at about 1 P.M. found Margaret well butt rather lonesome. cut some wood and while Margaret is preparing Dinner I am jotting Down this meager sketch. (I had omitted to say that I bought 8 peck of crandberrys for which I paid one Dollar). took a walk with Margaret. went early to bed.

Sep 22 Cloudy and Dense fog. Hamilton & I have hauled in our corn & punkins. Mary is knoking around and all seems right again with us. made an axletree for ____ my Butcher, turned the hubs for my hand cart. Isaac Taylor was here to supper and spent the

evening with us. he told his religious experience, which was quite interesting. Tom Wilson got Old Mike to help Do his ploughing. no rain at Nine Oclock A.M. Margaret made a fine batch of Tomatoe Butter.

Sep 23 Cloudy with some little rain & frost. feels good for now. got up early and bought 5-1/2# of good beef. had a hard night of it last night. slept but little cause perhaps a foolish one. but ones that me & mine only knows to Day. John Tollonder has his trial at New Castle for murder. I hope & trust he may be aquited. rained finely at 8 Oclock. Bought sis a beautiful toy for 25 cents. Sis is happy with her toys. and we one all happy together. so note it be, lets go to bed.

Sep 24 Cool some cloudy and is Done raining. worked in shop all Day. read the Liberator until late.

Sep 25 Clear & cold with a sharp frost. Tommy Moons store in New Albany was burned last night saved nothing. set on fire by some Damned scoundrel. worked all Day in shop. Joel McMillen called and got Mary to go and Do his washing tomorrow. I sat up late and read the Bugle.

Sep 26 Clear & pleasant. got up at sun rise morticed the hubs and Drove the spokes in my hand cart wheels. finished JenningsBuggy & took it up to Woodruffs to get it Painted. made a sett of Patterns for Boxes in hand cart. commenced raining at about 2 Oclock and looks like continuing at sundown. making a hod for J F Dickinson. Mary has just got back from Joel McMillens. we all sat up until nine Oclock. I read the Liberator. it is very interesting this week.

Sep 27 Cloudy, cool wet & raining, with wind in North. Bought 9-1/2# good beef (and Paid for it.) cold and rain all Day rained some toward night. Margaret spent the afternoon & I took supper with Father & Mother Gouldbourn. after which Father & I took a walk Down to the Rail Road come home before Dark. found all right. sang Anti Slavery songs & read the Yankee Blade until 9 Oclock. Margaret & Mary sat by me engaged at sewing. Sis has gone to bed. and we must all follow suit.

Sep 28 Cloudy & wet. rained all last night & is still raining at 7 Oclock. looks Dismal out of Doors. glazed in all my window slats that was broken out. also my new bedroom windows. borrowed 8 lights of Elton. still raining at noon. Mary is Busy attending her Dress & Margaret is knitting. Ho! knock at the Door and here comes Sarah Macmillen & a Mr. Smalley. after an afternoons conversations we all Mr. Smalley & Wife Joel McMillen & wife Joseph Woods & Miss Cleverly allsat Down to Supper. after which they all went Home with Joel. Hamilton has got home and examining the Hotel roof as it was the first one ever put on it is natural that should feel a little anxious about it. but if there is no signs of brakage in it, and I suppose it to be a good job.

Sep 29 Cloudy & wet with considerable rain through the night. got up late and shall Do nothing until after breakfast. made a wagon tongue for Uncle Silas. went to Father Hises

in search of stuff for Hubs. found some that I think will Do. on returning, learned that Wm Hise was Burned out. but later intelligence says that he was not. but expected to be, but after but after removing his goods they succeeded in arresting the further progress of theDevouring Element one entire block was consumed which will cripple Canfield considerable. Margaret was up spending the afternoon with Phebe Henshilbroad. made a wagon tonge & harness for Allen Forker. worth two Dollars. got Done at Dusk. Eli Wolfley was Down to get a piece of steps made for his front Door. the Boys having carried his off. after supper went to assist Margaret home it being quite muddy. met her on the way. she was not expecting me. while I write Hamilton is sawing away on his Old violin. O Damn it I am tired of writing. lets go to Bed.

Sep 30 Cloudy rained some through the night. got beef. cost 60 cents. got my Boxes for hand cart cost 20 cnts. Hamilton & I went to Father Hises and sawed off 4 large hubs & 1 punch block. got 1 peck of Potatoes of John Hise. returned about noon. Drissled some a little while we were out. Margaret has her new Dress about Done. worked at my hand cart this afternoon. Cleared off fine and looks like being fine weather again. Brought home D Woodruffs Weekly Tribune to read this evening so Im Done with this scribbling.

Oct 1 Clear at sun rise. But immediately after a Dense fog which lasted perhaps one Hour after which it clears off most beautiful, and at noon when I write is still clear & very pleasant. turned the hubs for my log cart. and rimmed one of my hand cart wheels. got the Liberator and perused with usual interest. the ___ wrappings was at John Whineys last night they had communications from General Jackson & Gen. Taylor. the both De____ won under all circumstances.

Oct 2 A little cloudy and some cooler but verry pleasant. finished my cart wheels & ground two logs for Chessmon. Bought one Dollars worth of sugar of Robt Woods.

Oct 3 Cloudy & cool with wind in northwest. Bought 53 of beef of Robt Woods at 4 cents per pound. sold Tom Hinemon 16-3/4# at the same. worked some at cart & ground two blindes for Chessmon. ___ a Horse of Tom French and went to Abram Bonsalls after nails but got none. brought home some trash for Store wood. Margaret went to Father Hises this afternoon & is not home yet at ½ past 7 Oclock. P.M. and is raining & Dark. I must go to meet her. Jesse Brought her Down in the carriage.

Oct 4 Cloudy & wet all Day. worked on my cart. Hamilton & I went out to Abram Bonsalls. I sawed off my tough log & got him to haul it to the mill. we got back a little before night. Mary Hise spent afternoon with us. Jesse was Down to Supper then went home early on account of the muddy road. Tom French got our carriage to go to New Brighton. to be back tomorrow night. read the Home Journal till late.

Oct 5 Cloudy & pleasant. got up early & finished my hand cart. Mary & Sis went home with Hamilton & I went to Tom Sharps. they were sawing. took Dinner with them. looked over his wood land. he has considerable good timber left yet. got home about

Dusk. found Margaret here alone. Mary Hamilton & Sis got home in ten minutes after I Did. cleared off nice since sunset. the moon shines beautifully at 7 Oclock. Margaret is piecing Mother Hise a patch for quilt. Mary sits by and entertains us with the History of her Days adventures.

Oct 6 Clear & pleasant. Ironed blinds & blacksmithed hard all Day. Link Hemings paid me 2 Dollars & Tom French paid me 3 Dollars for carriage hire. Borrowed 10 Dollars of Phillip Evans & paid it to Tom Hineman. Tom Wilson brought Old Mike home & I shod him for Margaret. she is going to Canfield tomorrow. used my new hand cart for the first time. Bought an old long tail clock of Jack Hawkins for 5 Dollars.

Oct 7 Clear & pleasant. Ironed blind & bored large shrubs & mended handle for an air pump belonging to Mr. More teacher of the Orthodox quaker high School. Jonathon Shaw & his sister started east. Margaret & Sis is up at Canfield. I expect they will stay all night as it is now Eight Oclock. the Cattle show is going off. Mary & I are alone. Margaret has just got back.

Oct 8 Clear & pleasant. got up early and after going up town concluded to go to Canfield to the cattle show accordingly after eating breakfast we hitched up "Old Mike" and started. Mary went with us. and on the road we picked up Doc Homios son Augustes, which made a good load for one horse. we however got along verry well the road being planked the most of the way. the first plank road I ever rode on we got there before ten. a great many people assembled. but mostly to look at themselves as there was little else compared with assembly and the great ado that was made about it we having had a pleasant ride, and enjoyed the time verry much. saw a great many old friends. started & got home late. moon shone real bright. Hamilton was gunning and had good luck. killed a dozen squirles, and we must skin them to night yet.

Oct 9 Clear & pleasant. Hamilton took Chloroform & got his tooth Drawd. he experienced no pain whatever. got timber for large spokes. hauled over some fire wood. bought a nice chisel for fifty cents. bought Margaret a nice knife cost 50 cents. got the Liberator & Bugle both to night.

Oct 10 Clear & Pleasant. sawed off & Dressed some of my spokes. Sands & Co. Circus is here. not many went to see it. Margaret & I took a walk after supper saw a good many going to the circus, as they perform to night. Hamilton has gone among the rest. Margaret has put in a quilt to Day & her & Mary expects to finish it before going to bed. Bought 2 bushels of bellflower apples of Zimmerman. gave him 37 cents for bushel.

Oct 11 Clear & pleasant all Day. worked in shop until noon then commenced repairing our Dining room. mixed paint and bought 9 yards of ticking red for window curtains. gave 2 Dollars for it at Jehur Fawcetts. Margaret & Mary has had a great time cleaning up to Day.

Oct 12 Some cloudy but quite pleasant. shod a Horse for Bill Forker he went to Lisbon

for lime. papered and painted our Sitting room. worked right busy all Day. Margaret helped me both to paper & paint. took a walk up to see the Hotel they are getting along right well. some rain about Dark and prospects for more at Nine.

Oct 13 Some cloudy. Dryed out spokes & fooled round with Jennings. went to Caleb Hunts new engine it works well. Hamilton ground Blinds for Chesomon. Borrowed Daniel Fawcetts candle Dippers. & helped Margaret to put the wick yarn on and amused myself until Bedtime.

Oct 14 Cloudy & clear by spells some showers through the Day. commenced a sett of Buggy wheels for Jennings. Hamilton finished the blinds to Day. Andrew Smolman is with us to night. Ham & I gave our Dining room anoither coat of Paint to night it now looks quite well. and I am now ready for Bed.

Oct 15 Partially clear & coolish all Day. knocked round all Day. at one thing and another. went to Egypt for Potatoes, but got none. brought home a stalk of corn measuring 14 feet. growed on Tom Painters land. Hamilton & I husked some of our corn.

Oct 16 Clear & cold with heavy frost. got up at Day break. Bought 11-1/2# of Beef & carried in my corn before breakfast. David Woodruffs worked all last night on a premium Buggy to be exhibited at New Lisbon to Day. he has three splendid specimens of his workmanship, which I learn this evening Drew the prise. Hamiltons Unkle & aunt were here today. they live in Clarifield, Pa. Hamilton has gone home to spend the evening with them. finished Chessmons blinds to Day. job came to $25.50 cents. filled 2 straw beds and am just going to carry them up stairs before going to bed.

Oct 17 Clear & cool. got up early went to Phillip Evans and got a Horse. took 8 Fugative Slaves to D Bonsalls. Charles Grissell brought them here about midnight last night. they are from Parkersburg Va. and have been two weeks on the road. one of them was well armed with stalk knife & a brace of Pistols. I Done but little to Day. Ham and I husked out some of our corn we had expected some company to night, but as yet none has come. it is Eight Oclock as I write.

Oct 18 Clear & pleasant. got up at 2 Oclock and went for beef. worked in shop until. Mr. Clarke of Deerfield was here & took Dinner with us. (Sarah Heines & Sister) . our meeting went off first rate with quite a good audience. after candle light it was exceedingly interesting. Sojourner Truth made some remarks that were verry much to the point. McDuff & Jake Ambler spised the addresses of Pillsbury & Burleigh by Disputing reasonableness of some of their positions, but they met with only confusion. Burleigh cleared it all up to the entire satisfaction of the audience and closed his speech about ten Oclock when our meeting Dispensed in good order. I was named as a suitable person to carry round the hat to take up a collection to assist Wm McConnell to get his familyto Canada. But not thinking him an object of charity I Declined Doing so. he has fooled away up much time in looking into a way to get there. as might (had it been accepted at

work) insured him an independence that would have placed beyond the necessity of begging for it. he is an able Bodied person and must earn his money in a more honorable way than taxing the Ebbolishinist. there faces are turned South of Dixons line where the victim of oppression are as the sands of the Seashore they must shift for themselves when once they cross the line, if unbind their fettered limbs that must suffise. (at least for me). Smalley & Long is with us to night.

Oct 19 Some Cloudy with rain last night but pleasant at at Six Oclock. the Executive Committee meet at 8 Oclock and I must attend. Busy all Day with meetings and committee business. our meeting was a good one & a large audience. Charles C Burleigh Started home in the stage. he is going through Pennsylvania. James David & familyis here with us tonight.

Oct 20 Clear & beautiful. got up early & feel like Doing a good Days work and worked all Day in the shop. John Enemay paid me one Dollar & 87 cents for stone in bridge in common Str. Elizabeth Dickinson & Anne Wilson took supper with us. John Taylor called in a few minutes.

Oct 21 I should have met with the committee but forgot it until too late to go. I shall therefore go to bed instead.

Oct 22 Clear & cloudy at intervals. made the spindles for my cart. weigh 67 pounds. Mary went with Joel McMillin after a girl. got one of Hivelys. Jonette home spending the evening. I have a Devil of a cold. going to Drink Onion tea.

Oct 23 Cloudy & cold with wind in north west. took David Fawcett Candle Dippers home. brought a road scraper back with me intending to house it as I Do not like to see them exposed to the weather all winter. contracted with Ted Street on the Brick contract. Margaret was Down to Benjamin Browns to sewing circle. she took a load Down with “Old Mike”. got Back about Dusk. witnessed an article between Henny Hinehmon & Joseph Saxon, written by Ben Hawley.

Oct 24 Clear & cool. got up early & took Old Mike Back to Tom Wilsons. on way home pulled up a verry nice little suar tree & set it out. Bought Hamilton & myself a new coat pattern cost 21 Dolls at F Sheets. Parker Pillsbury came here at noon spent the afternoon with us. Delivered his lecture on the causes of the French Revolution to a good audience. and such a stream of real genuine eloquence. it has never fell to my lot to listen to before. by his permission I copied two extracts (Viz).

Oct 25 Cloudy with a little rain last night & prospects for more to Day. ran round town until noon. Andrew O Smallnicker is here Boring us with manuscript for his pamphlet the circulation of which is to usher in the Mellienium on universal Peace on Earth and good will to Man. at 2 Oclock took Sis & Mary to see the Circus which notwithstanding the rain that fell was a good one. I laughed enough to last me one year. took supper with Mother Gouldburn. Simon & William Howell & Ian Gearhintt took supper with us. we

all went to Bed early. Smallnicker tried to Magnitise Mary but would not come sit.

Oct 26 Clear & looks Delightful out Doors. loaded up my kettles & other fixtures for putting on gravel roof & took them to Columbiana. before I got back the weather turned much colder snowed a perfect snow storm, and when I write (at 5 oclock) the ground is still covered. Dickinsons girls took supper with us and I feel Drowsy after being out in the cold.

Oct 27 Some cloudy with ground froze & some snow. cold all Day. worked some on cart. Paid my school tax $50 to A Zimmerman, Ben Jones was here at Supper time. took a Dish of coffee with us. I Drew a side view of my intended Brick House. real cold at 10 Oclock P.M.

Oct 28 Cloudy & some warmer. Drove the spokes in one of my large cart wheels. rained some this afternoon. Andrew Smallnicker is here reading proff sheet of his pamphlet. Dark & raining at 7 Oclock.

Oct 29 Clear & pleasant. made 4 _____ for railroad. got 250 of Brick after supper am going to start for Columbiana to put on a gravel roof.

Oct 30 Cloudy & looks like for rain. got back from Columbiana at 9 Oclock, instead of pitch we had nothing, but ____ consequently I shall haveto go to Pittsburg to night. Tom Spencer gave me 40 Dollars to take with me.

Oct 31 Clear & cool. got up at ½ past 2 Oclock and am now awaiting breakfast intending to start so as to get to Brighton by 2 Oclock P M. that I may take the cars for Pittsburgh at that hour.

Nov 1 got home at 8 Oclock. found all well. arrived at Pittsburgh at 3 Oclock Oct 31st. went Directly to Harmans Paper Store No 84 Wood St. my Paper and pitch. brought 5 Barrels of the latter with me on the Boat to Rochester and got it brought right up to Columbiana with me. I took supper at Isenhours after which I started and arrived home as above mentioned. the whole expense of trip was $4.42 cents.

Nov 2 Cloudy & rained some through the night. It looks rainy out this morning at 7 Oclock. shall go to Columbiana this evening to be there soon in the morning to get the roof on.

Nov 3 Cloudy & Stormy. got up before Day and made a fine ___ ___ pitch. we got one third of the paper on and was forced to quit in consequence of its storming. we got home about Dark. left our roof in rather a bad situation but there was no half for it when the weather settles in will try it again.

Nov 4 Cloudy & cool. bought 7-1/4# good beef. turned a sett of Buggy hubs for

Jennings Wheels. ground up some of my tools. laid some tongs & C & C. Mary has gone home with Unkle Silas to help Aunt Jane prepare Daniel Howels wedding Diner to come off next Thursday. the prospects are encouraging for a clear Day tomorrow in which case I shall be off to Columbiana.

Nov 5 Storming & Snowing like all possessed. no roofing to be Done to Day. ____ & Draw the spokes in my Buggy wheels. made a cro bar for Rail Road Co & turned 14 good Horse shoes this evening. Andrew Smallnicker is here since noon and is now scribbling away at my elbow as though his life and in fact the well being of the whole universe Depended on the getting out &circulating his pamphlet. he is to say the least very industrious.

Nov 6 Still cloudy & cold. worked in the shop all Day. Daniel Howel is married to Day. Hamilton has gone to the wedding. clear & moonlight at 8 Oclock. Smallnicker is still at my elbow getting Down for Dear life. there seems to be no end to his manuscripts. (he is a good man)

Nov 7 Cleared off and looks pleasant out Doors. going to Columbiana to Day.

Nov 8 Returned Home at ½ past ten Oclock P.M. brought home all my tools & 2 Barrles of pitch. made a heavy load. got my roof on. I made a good job of it. Yenhour paid me 50 Dollars & 87 cents and gave me their note for thirty seven Dollars. thirty days after Date for the Bellows, my expenses was so heavy that I made next to nothing.

Nov 9 Cloudy & cool. got up late. Mr. Allen called Down to hear from his roof. appeared pleased when I told him it was Done. Mr. Gordon called in a few minutes. they went on their way to Bawns. they wanted us to go along but I am in no condition to visit to Day. snowing fast at 4 Oclock . I have set by the fire all Day Smallnicker ___ and I am tired of him.

Nov 10 Cloudy & snowing lots of snow but thawed off through the Day. settled up for my roofing material. Paid all 7 Dollars. came out pretty well for the first finished Jennings Buggy wheels. got measured for a new coat & vest. wrote a letter to Jas Howard of Pittsburgh. Benjamin Baum is going to take it up he goes to Brighton in the stage to night. wrote a letter to G Hoffstatt of Wellsville. I settled with ChessmanV Wright owed them 20 Dollars. gave my Due bill for the ____. Mother Hise is staying with us tonight.

Nov 11 Clear & most Damed cold. got up early and bought 5# of good beef. made me a good brace. I worked on big cart wheels most of the Day. Smallnicker is here to night. Mary has the tooth ache and of course is not the best human in the world. Margaret is ironing. clear & cold

Nov 12 Cloudy & some warmer moderate all Day. worked on my cart wheels most of the Day. got 287# of beef of John Deming cost $10.12 cents. Did not pay for it. Anne

Wilson is here to supper & is going to spend the evening. commenced raining at ½ past 7 Oclock. Anne is going to stay all night. Smallnicker is here yet.

Nov 13 Warm & raining. rained all night. got up early. we eat breakfast by candle light. rained some through the Day. Anne Wilson & Jake Taylor were home this evening. It is oncomon Dark. heard that my Columbiana roof leaks where it was frame when I finished it. (Dam the luck) cut & salted my beef)

Nov 14 Cloudy & Drizzeling rain all Day. any quantity of sand got 2 numbers of the Pennsylvania Freeman edited by my old Friend Oliver Johnson. the Liberator made 7 rail road ___ worth 75 cents each. Smallnicker is still here writing for Dear life. heard the whistle of the Locomotive for the first time in Salem.

Nov 15 got up early rained all night and no prospect of quitting. the roads are almost impasible. worked on the wood work of 2 house wagon. Smallnicker brought a man by the name of Pendleton from Streetsborough but we could not entertain him. the women are tired of waiting on loafers & I am heartily sick of seeing them about. I suppose he was offended but it is all of a price to me. took Mary & Sis to see the Slight of hand performance (and it paid) so it Did. Sis has just put on her new Dress and a beauty it is. (got my new coat & waistcoat).

Nov 16 Cloudy & warm. got up late. breakfasted at 9 Oclock. got Tom Hinemon & we put a good roof on my brick kiln. got Done about 2 Oclock P.M. rained some before we finished it. Margaret coughed hard last night.

Nov 17 Clear & cloudy at intervals. got up early. sent 2 rolls of paper up to Canfield. going up as soon as my Material comes to put on gravel roof. repaired my wagon and made one pick for rail Road Co. Margaret is up at Dickinsons & I am going up Directly. Smallnicker is gone at last. we got very tired of the poor old soul. spent the evening at Dickinsons. wrote a letter to Jos Howard & Co of Pittsburg.

Nov 18 Clear and cold froze hard last night. got up early took some pitch & paper and went to Columbiana to repair that roof. but could not Do anything at it this weather is too cold. received Bills of lading of the material for the school House & Hotel roofs. it cost 129 Dollars. got a lot of iron from Pitt. for large coat, cost 9.75. made 5 crobars for Rail Road company in the evening. Mary Hise & her Sister Ann was here a visiting this afternoon. still clear & cold. will Freeze hard to night.

Nov 19 Clear & some warmer. primed Jennings Bugy wheels. worked at smithing most of the Day. went after the Rail Road. brought a small piece of the iron home with me. read the Liberator. Ben Jones was here Drinked a cup of tea with us. wrote a letter to Wm Hise. Smallnicker lectured to night on his 13 resolutions.

Nov 20 Snow & storming. made the tire for Big cart & shod 3 Horses. hooked Bugy wheels. had to heat them in the shop. turned warm & rained all the after front of the

Days. Margaret went out to Mother Hises to quilt. took Old Mike the Carriage & Mary Hise along. got a letter from Hoofsott of Wellsville.

Nov 21 Wet & raining all night. Sat up with Wm Nutt he is in a bad way not long for this world. Davis a fugative slave who stopped here about one year ago on his way to Canada, called and took breakfast with us. he wishes to work here this winter. he is a smart looking man. made some Rail Road picks. took Jennings wheels up to get painted. turned cold and froze a little toward night. Janette is here wants to stay all night. John (her husband) has turned her out Doors & locked them.

Nov 22 Some colder but not froze much. still snows some. Hamilton broke our wood saw. I bought a new one for 62 cents. my Material for District School House Roof came freight & carriage. cost 3.48 cents. John Gouldborn is Diagnosed to be Insane. yesterday he was very bad and to Day no better. Father & Mother are in fact all of us feels very much hurt. I am quite unwell having I suppose taken a bad cold. this afternoon I am laying by the stove Drinking onion tea & roasting my feet.

Nov 23 Cloudy & very pleasant winter weather. some snow and looks like far more. I feel a mighty sight better this morning. we allgot up late at ten Oclock. we started Down to see uncle Silas. the road is horrid muddy. helped John Gordon & Hamilton catch a Mink. they are very cunning. after Diner we spent some time up at John Gordons. read two or three comical pieces. left just time enough to get home by Dark. David (the Slave) spent a few minutes with us, before retiring.

Nov 24 Cloudy & cool froze some last night. went Downtown to see Simeon Jennings but not finding him at home I went out the Rail Road and saw them laying the iron Down. the Locomotive passed the west road this afternoon for the first time. tomorrow she can get to the Station. hauled a load of wood from Egypt and worse roads you ever saw. hub Deep in many places. made a new axletree for Ben Holiday. Mother Hise & Anty ___ was here visiting this afternoon. Ben Jones called in and read us a letter from Elizabeth. giving some of her experience in Kentucky. it was anything but credible to the State. She Did not consider herself safe there and left accordingly for a free state where a woman can travel without being insulted at every corner. Oh the chivalry of the South.

Nov 25 Cloudy & cool no snow yet. froze and underneath last night going to Canfield to Day. got back at 3 Oclock. snowed hard since 9 Oclock, more snow now then has been on the ground at once for one year. Wm Nutt Died last night in the 72nd year of his age. to be Buyried at 10 Oclock tomorrow. still snowing at 7 Oclock P.M.

Nov 26 Cloudy with mild winter weather. attended the funeral and then went Down to the R Road Station. after Diner I made 4 malls for Driving spikes on the Rail Road. Bought 83 pounds of fresh pork. gave 4-1/2 cent for pound. got the Liberator. I read it some. it is not so interesting as usual.

Nov 27 Partially clear. made some more spiking hammers. repaired John Fawcetts sausage cutter. to Day was celebrated for the first arrival of the passenger Cars in our town. they made an excursion to Alliance with a perfect jam of Passengers after which we all took supper at the town Hall. speeches was Delivered by Joseph Brooks, President Robinson, Solomon W Roberts & others. after which the assembly Dispersed in good order. Hamilton, Mary & myself went up and Back was very much pleased with the trip. I treated T F Dickinson to a ticket and he took supper. also rains a little at 9 Oclock. [Note on side of entry for Nov 27: First arrival of Cars in Salem from Alliance]

Nov 28 Cloudy & warm. cut up my pork & salted it. went to Egypt and brought a load of wood. the roads almost impassible on account of the Deepness of the mud. Bought myself a pair of coons boots for which I paid 2 Dollars. I put a pair of pavement soles on them at at the start. Hamilton is gone to Jonas Estrys wood chopping. it has turned much colder and the wind blows hard from the west at 9 Oclock. Mary has Dressed herself up in my clothes and looks quite Boyish. John Goulbourn is here and appears to enjoy the sport. paid John Deming 5 Dollars on a side of beef I bought some time ago.

Nov 29 Clear & warm very pleasant all Day. made 3 Rail Road picks & put handles in 1. knocked the boxes out of Simeon Jennings old Buggy wheels. Cousin Daniel Howell & his wife Aunt Kitty was here visiting this afternoon.

Nov 30 Clear & pleasant. got up early and took a walk on the Rail Road, way Down as far as Reys line. the timbers are laid ready for the iron. Mr. & Mrs. Gordon was here visiting. Ben Jones called in and took supper with us & we were well pleased that he Did so. still clear at 6 Oclock.

Dec 1 Fine winter weather. got up early worked at Jennings Bugy all Day. called on him this evening for fifty Dollars but could not get it at present. Anne Wilson took supper with us after which I accompanied her home. Nat Beeler called in awhile in the evening. played the violin & sang one song. clear & cold at 8 Oclock.

Dec 2 Cloudy but verry pleasant winter weather. Simeon Jennings paid me 27 Dollars for repairing his Old buggy. our stove broke this morning before Day, but Hamiltton & I soon repaired it. hauled up the paper & rosin & tar and swept off the floor propritory to putting on the roof of school House.

Dec 3 Cloudy & windy. got Tom Himeman & Asberry Grose to help me & we got the paper all on and ready for the pitch. cold all Day. welded on Big axletree together. got Jesse to help us. wrote a letter to Jes Howard & I enclosed them twenty five Dollars one ten and 3 fives, it is now late and I will go to bed.

Dec 4 Cloudy & windy. rained a little and froze so as to unfit my roof for papering. I shall Defer it until a more convenient season. went out to Pickets Mill & got a stick of timber for the hounds for Big cart. hooped the wheels & made the axletree. helped set up an interest in the making of a plank road up Streets hollow from the Depot to intersect

Main Street opposite Farquhars Hotel. it will be made this winter in the evening. went up to Wm Lightfoots after Margaret & Sis. they attended the sewing circle there. they had quite a good turn out of the Ladies whose lives are Devoted to the cause of universal emancipation. Heaven helps them, therefore they must succeed notwithstanding the obstacles thrown in their way by the Church & Clergy of the land (Damn the toad eators) lets go to bed.

Dec 5 Cloudy some warmer, but still pleasant winter weather. made the hands & tongue for cart Big Days work. Mrs. Brown, Ame Wilson & Mrs. Vickers took Diner with us, Sarah McMillen took supper with us. made hooks for cart to night and am tired at 9 Oclock.

Dec 6 Continues pleasant. worked hard all Day at cart. attended a meeting of those interested in the new street in contemplating running from Forkers Hotel Down the Hollow to the Depot. Ben Jones spent the evening here. Beautiful & moonlight at 9 Oclock.

Dec 7 Cloudy & raining some quite warm & pleasant. sett the Boxes & bonded the Big cart hubs. met with the executive committee at Jones Barnabys had a pleasant time. Wm Lightflot spent some time with me in the shop greatly to my Edification. Margaret is busy making needle Books for our approaching Anti Slavry fair. we anticipate a good time. Mary is making up her new marina dress. still warm & pleasant at 5 Oclock and the roads are getting quite muddy.

Dec 8 Warm & Cloudy. got up early. bought a barrel of flour cost 3 Dollars. finished the Big cart. cleared off a little before night and is beautifully moonlight at 8 Oclock. spent some time up town this evening.

Dec 9 Clear & cool. pitched the school house roof. got ½ Barrel of Tar of Chusman & Wright. Drawed 31 Dollars of rail road money. hired Jesse Riggs & Tom Forker and loaded up our tools & went to Canfield to put on a roof. got there before sun Down & rigged up our kettles ready for action. engaged Boarding of Wm Gray.

Dec 10 Sleped all night at Wm Hises got up at Six Oclock and kindled up our fire commenced laying paper at 9 Oclock & finished and pitched some of it same Day.

Dec 11 Cloudy & windy. got up at Six finish our roof at 11 Oclock. paid mine & John Gordons tax by that time it was noon. after Diner Mr. Keck paid me 90 Dollars on the roof. still owes me 10 Dollars. gave Wm Hise 10 Dollars of it. Paid Jesse Riggs 1 dollar & fifty cents. got home at 1 Oclock. found all well. attended new road meeting but I am Doubtful it will fall through it will cost us quite much. read the Liberator until late.

Dec 12 Cool & windy. got up at 5 Oclock. got David Dickinson to build a flue in shop. Blacksmithed some. turned colder through the Day. roads are verry rough. spent some time up town with Zadok Street. we shall get our road through easy if we manage right.

Dec 13 Cloudy & very cold. quite as cold as it has been this winter. made some ____ ___& mended shovel for Rail Road. set up our store & got fire in it. made the chains for hitching posts at the new Hotel. Ben Jones called in & took supper with us and talked awhile after before going home. is coming Down to morrow. it is verry cold at 8 Oclock P.M.

Dec 14 Cold & storming snowing from the southwest. David Woodruff called in a short time this morning. went up to J F Dickinsons of an errand. Did not stay but a few minutes. Ben Jones called in according to appointment & we made an estimate of the probable cost of the Cellar Brick walls & the plastering of his House. Father Hise took Diner with us. Margaret met the committee at James Barnabys. got home before Dark. considerable snow fell but the weather is too cold to snow much.

Dec 15 Cold & snowing. snowed all night. Ame Wilson called us out of Bed. she waded through the Deep snow. made a wagon tongue for Tom Sharp. Blacksmithed some. hauled a load of wood from Father Hises. most Damned cold.

Dec 16 Cloudy as cold day can be about. John Hise was here at Day light after Margaret. she walked out. worked in shop all Day. still remains excessively cold at Dark. Ame Wilson is still here. Margaret is verry tired in consequence of having walked out to Fathers. She is now on the lounge with a warm brick to her feet resting herself. Mary has got her new Dress on and it looks well.

Dec 17 Clear & as cold as even thermometer about 12 Degrees below Zero. want to go to New Lisbon to pay my tax. so cold I have concluded not to go. I have Done nothing of account to Day.

Dec 18 Clear & cold. went to Lisbon & paid my taxes. got Back some before night. the circle met here to Day. had a pleasant time. Hamilton hauled a load of wood and mended up our shop windows. lent David Woodruff 64 Dollars to be returned in 10 Days. got the Rheumatism in my right hip it hurts me considerable.

Dec 19 Clear but not so cold as yesterday. wind in the south. Rhumatism some better. set the Boxes in Enon Fawcetts wagon. snowed some in the evening. Ben Jones took supper with us.

Dec 20 Snowed some last night but not enough to make good Sleighing. fine winter weather. Blacksmithed some. was Down to the Rail Road Station. invited Wm Lightfoot & Lady Down to help us eat a Turkey to morrow. Hamilton Shot a Rabit in the Back lot. we had him for Supper. it was a fine Dish.

Dec 21 Mild winter weather. bought 1 peck of small Potatoes of Philip Evans. Elizabeth Dickinson called in a few minutes. we have a fine turkey with Wm Lightfoot & Lady Fleming Lewis Ben Jones & Ame Wilson to help us eat it. we had a verry pleasant

afternoon of it. they went home about Dark. David Woodruff returned the 64 Dollars borrowed a Day or two ago, and I Borrowed 41 Dollars of him to send to Pitts. Jessie Boone will take it up. it will pay off my account with Harmon to be for paper & pitch.

Dec 22 Mid winter still. Cut the Bank Vault open this lock got out of fix. took it off and repaired it. got our hog Butchered and swapped to Jacob Heatons for a much better one. Bought 8.72# of pork of Joel McMillen. gave him 4-1/2 cents per # . Did not pay him Down. Borrowed 5 Dollars of Doc Crantz to pay John Webb my Butcher billalso Borrowed 2 Dollars of John McClenen to pay H_____ the Difference in hogs. cut up my pork this evening Margaret and Ham both have very Bad colds.

Dec 23 Some colder. salted Down my meat & put on the lock & ___ the Bank vault Door again. charged them one Dollar & fifty cents. Bought Mary a beautiful neck ribbon for Christmas gift. she is near while I write knocking round in the Kitchen trying out loud etc while my Margaret is resting her exhausted Body on the Lounge by the side of a hot stove. I fear she has worked quite too hard but she will Do it. Henry Lewis got "Old Mike" to go to New Garden to Solicit Donations in the shape of provision for our approaching A S Fair and returned him this evening. he says he is a good horse. (____). John Hise called in and chatted awhile. quite cold at 9 Oclock.

Dec 24 Cloudy & mild. snowed some at 1 Oclock. Blacksmithed some But loafed more. Hamilton & Mary has gone to a Taffy party up at Tom Hinemons Anne Wilson called Down on business connected with the approaching Fair. I of course accompanied her home. she is sacrificing too much for any one in her circumstances she has naught to Depend on for her living but the plying of her needle. Margaret is still bad with her cold.

Dec 25 Cloudy & much warmer. looks like breaking up. wind in the South. bought Sis Christmas gifts in the shape of Dogs cats chickens & all made of candy. am going to Gordons to spend the Day. we anticipate a pleasant time. Ham & Mary got back at 4 Oclock this morning. Margaret is much better this morning. got Back from Gordons. about Dark had a Dilightful visit. met some of our relations & friends there. commenced snowin at 3 Oclock and continued until Bedtime.

Dec 26 Was called up at 4 Oclock to shew a horse for Joseph Fawcett. Done it before Daylight. turned some shoes before breakfast. Bought a pair of new Boots and gave Hamilton mine as they fit him better than they Did me. Marius Robinson & Lady called and spent the evening with us. Anne Wilson also. still cold.

Dec 27 Some warmer made myself a couple of chisels & hauled a load of wood. got a letter from Pittsburgh acknowledging the receipt of 129.00 the amount of my ___. much warmer at Dark and is raining. I verry much fear a break up. Margaret has a verry Bad cough yet.

Dec 28 Warm & thawing. got Breakfast late & started to Benton to see Andy Strong. wanted to hire him but could not he is engaged until spring. got Back at 2 Oclock. still

warm frost is coming and fast and this made one quite sloppy. I found nobody at home. shall start up town to hunt them. found Margaret & Sis at Dickinsons. after partaking of a roast goose we came home. Mary Did not arrive until Dark. at which time I have the Rheumatism in my left elbow verry Bad. I have it Bandaged up in old worn and flannel. slept on the Lounge until Bedtime. am still bad.

Dec 29 Still warm with lots of mud. made pickle and put on my meat. spent the Day in preparing things for our fair.

Dec 30 Warm & wet. Jarvis Walker arrived last night. brought with him a great variety of articles both useful & fancy from New Lyme. Besides lots of other provisions a large Deer. Elwood Vickers shines him. worked all Day & part of the night in Decorating the Hall. it looks verry well. rained some through the Day.

Dec 31 Wet & warm. opened our Fair with reluctance but Done much better than we expected. kept open until 9 Oclock. Joseph Great & I staid all night in the Hall all night. Allen Forkers Hotel was completed to Day.

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Jan 1 Colder & some colder but still Disagreeable. worked hard all Day in carrying our provisions back and forward. kept our fair open until 10 Oclock. Done well at the Fair. took in some 250 Dollars.

Jan 2 Warm froze a little last night. cleaned up our Fair goods & returned our Dishes. sold our Poultry that was left. Paid Tom Hineman 10 Dollars etc.

Jan 3 Colder & Snowing some. got up later. feel verry tired yet. Distributed sum cooking materials and repaired wagons & etc etc. Bought Hamilton a pair of gloves. rolled up in the robe and slept all the evening.

Jan 4 Moderate winter weather. got up late spent part of the Day in Drawing a plat of a house Design for Charitable purposes. Ben Jones, Anne Wilson, W.K. Gorigas, Emily & Marius Robinson called on us the two former of whom took supper. after while we settled up our fair accounts and Dispersed.

Jan 5 Weather much the same, just cold enough to be pleasant. worked in shop all Day. John Hunt killed a Hog 21 months old that weighed 624 pounds, Eli Davidson one that 536 pounds. (notation in margin: Heavy Hogs). Wm Ray come to see his coat he liked it well. paid me ten Dollars on it is to give me 55 Dollars more for it. Paid John Hilliard five Dollars on the grafs I bought of him last harvest. Snowing some at 8 Oclock P.M. Bought 100 pound of iron of Barns Boys. worked it into cro bars for the Rail Road.

Jan 6 Got up early. had breakfast before Day. snowed all night worked all Day in shop. the Rail Road connection between here & Pittsburg was made to Day. the track layers worked all night last night and made the connection precisely at 12 Oclock P.M. two Pittsburgh Locomotives were waiting the Driving of the last spike which was no sooner Done than all hands jumped aboard and came to Salem at which place they arrived at ½ past one. the Beaver is the name of the first Locomotive ever come to Salem from Alliance these two that arrived to Day were the Massilon & the Alliance. still snowing at Dark. snowed all Day.

Jan 7 Stil snowing some at Daylight. worked in the shop all Day. went Down to Station to see the cars come in. got there just in time. got a Freemon from Oliver. it is an enlarged size & looks well cleaned off about 10 Oclock and remained clear all Day. read the Freemon this evening.

Jan 8 clear & cold fine winter weather no sleighing of any account. David Painter sold his farm yesterday to Ebenezer Fay for fifty Dollars per acre. worked all Day in shop. Henry Rankins house caught fire in the garret and come verry near being Destroyed. a few of us however succeeded in arresting the flames. before the Engine got there A great Ball comes off at the F___ House some two hundred and fifty patronise it . Mary has just

gone up to take a peep at the folks. Bought 1 Bushel of corn of Jo Thomas paid 40 cent for it.

Jan 9 Warm & snowing. Margaret Mary & Sis went to Canfield. the Sleighing is excellent. went to Egypt and selected trees for 60 saw logs. called awhile at William Painters and at Mrs. Forkers. got home at 2 Oclock. made one spiking hammer for Rail Road Co. went up town and waited for our folks to come home but missed them. Henry Shaffer has got our Bob Sleds. played 2 games of checkers with Mr. Lease and got beat easy.

Jan 10 The finest kind of winter weather. went to Egypt with Ephraim Smith. he is cutting sawlogs & Felix Brady is hauling them for me. went to Guilford for the first time. I went to see Moses Brandon I want to have him to make a Brick for me. but he asks me more than I want to pay. got back late and had a verry severe headache. caused by intense looking to see the road. I was forced to use my eyes for the Horses benefit as well as my own. his having failed him some time since we however got along verry well. he has entire confidence in my ability to keep him in the way he should go. Harriet Dickinson & Anne Wilson called in and spent a short time verry agreeable to all parties.

Jan 11 Still good Sleighing with two inches more snow and still snowing at 8 Oclock. James Smith called to get a Sleigh but I had none for him. I am some in the hopes John Gordon will come and go with us to pay Barkley Gilbert a visit. Anne Wilson Wm Lightfoot & John Gibbons called in awhile. got tired of waiting on Gordon & we all went out to see Pap Hise. he is quite poorly. Sam Sharpnack & his whole family was there besides Unkle Silas and his family. we found it rather ____ and went Down to Jacks and took supper. come back about Dark. Hugh Hornells wife Died at 9 Oclock A.M. snowing at Dark.

Jan 12 Verry cold. Felix Bradys son called us out of bed. he borrowed our log chain. I borrowed Chris Hinemans crescent saw. I paid him fifty cents for the use of it. went to Holloway saw mill. got back at 2 Oclock. bargained conditionly with Martin Burns to iron a wagon for him. he is to give me Chesnut boards provided he can find logs suitable. Margaret & Elizabeth Dickinson went to Joseph Saxons Sleighing. got back at ½ past 7 Oclock. Settled with Tom Hineman owed him forty five Dollars and fifty five cents. gave him my Due bill for it. Jim Bennett came in. he and I spent a good part of the evening playing old ___. Sleighing still first rate.

Jan 13 Cold & very stormy blowed & snowed all Day. Margaret & I went Down to Tom Hays but soon returned in consequence of the storm.

Jan 14 Still cold and excellent sleighing. went to green to see Louis Callahan. I expect he will come to mould Brick for me. made a ___ hammer for Rail Road. Ike Taylor spent the evening with us we played ucre & speculation until late. got five Dollars of Tom Shorfnack considerable warmer to night.

Jan 15 Pleasant winter with some more snow. Hamilton Took Mary home in the sleigh he got back a little before night. ground my axe & 2 new chisels. got five Dollars of Thomas & French and paid it to John Mcbloom. Joseph Robinson was here to see about moulding brick for me. he wants 62 cents for thousand. I am willing to give that in case he Does his work well. snowing at ½ past seven.

Jan 16 Cold with more snow last night. worked all Day in shop. went towards night to see Bill Forker. he can not haul logs until Monday. a party is at Greiners from Canfield some six in number. Bought Sis some more toys to night. very windy at 9 Oclock.

Jan 17 Still cold and most excellent sleighing. hitched up our team and hauled four loads of good wood from Egypt. Ham Drove & I staid Down and helped load and chopped between while John Ball hauled logs for me. & Ephriam Smith & his boys were cutting. Bought a bag of corn of Jacob Painter. I slept Soundly by the stove until 9 Oclock, when I concluded to go to bed.

Jan 18 Snowing with calm winter weather. Hamilton & James Bennett is going a Sleighing & will bring Mary Home with them. Henry Shaffer applied to me for my Livery Stable, but I could give no Definet answer yet. made a wagon tongue & h___ & Painted it. spent sometime up at Jesse Hises. come home a little before night to make up a fire. Margaret went to work and made us good warm briscott for supper. we waite sometime for Ham & Mary but got time and eat our supper. staid on the lounge and slept until 10 Oclock. our folks not coming. we filled the stove with wood and went to bed.

Jan 19 Still first rate sleighing. Mary & Ham got home at 6 Oclock this morning. they were up all night on a spree. snow must be all of one foot Deep the most snow we have had for several years. commenced 2 sleds for Sam Brook. got one nearly Done. Anne Wilson took Supper with us. most almighty cold. Mercury is below Zero and the sky is unclouded (lets retire).

Jan 20 Clear & verry cold. Mercury 20 Degrees below Zero so cold that I am verry slow about going to work. finished one of Toms sleds and commenced another. Margaret visited at Anna Wilsons. I went up and we took a good sociable Supper after which we looked over the Old Frenchmans Paintings and pen sketches which for workmanship cannot be excelled. he also played us some good pieces on the Flute. we got home at 9 Oclock found all well. the weather still excessively cold. [notation in margin “Coldest Day”]

Jan 21 Moderated verry much. worked all Day at my Sleds got it nearly Done. the Cleveland cars came Down at Dark brought 200 passengers most of them is at Greiners. Ben Jones took supper with read us a very interesting letter from Elizabeth. she hails from Adrian Michigan. much warmer at 9 Oclock P.M. sent Monseur the Frenchman one Dollar.

Jan 22 Still cold and looks like for more snow. got up early went out to Jo Balls to see

about hauling saw logs. got back at sunrise. finished Sam again noon. went Down to Holloways Mill got Back about Dark. Jake Taylor & I played a few games of Uker.

Jan 23 Some warmer. repaired a sled for David Fawcett & Done little else all Day. the Citizens have a meeting to night to invite Rossouth to partake of public Diner he will probably be through here on Tuesday next. the first freight train from Pittsburgh arrived here today. spent the Evening at Joel Sharps. we played several games of cards. Angeline his wife participated in the games. Thomas French & Edith Fawcett Died to Day.

Jan 24 Clear & considerably warmer. went to Egypt & helped fell a large oak tree. worked some on John Balls wagon made an excellent axe handle. Wm Lightfoot called Down & we all had a sociable game of ukre & speculation. at 9 Oclock we all went to bed. thawed considerable to Day.

Jan 25 Clear & considerable warmer. our sleighing is going fast to Day and I am sorry for it. several of my saw logs are yet to haul. spent some of the Day with Charles Fletcher hunting cogwheels for our Rail Road car but found none. Joel, Sarah, and Mother McMillen took a late Diner with us and staid evening. Anne Wilson spent this evening here also. quite warm at 8 Oclock P.M. not going to finish any tonight, wind in the south. Mary has gone to meeting-------Jim Bennet come home with her.

Jan 26 Cloudy & colder. snowed another inch of snow last night. I am verry glad to see it turn out thus. hope it may continue so…worked in the shop at John Balls Buggy. Truman Cosi called on us. he brought Down his old Buggy to get it converted into a Carriage. after supper him and Margaret went up to J F Dickinsons to spend this evening and I went out to see John Hises about buying his farm. brought Sis Back with me, after which I went Dickering where were a half score of our Anti Slavery friends cracking jokes, in which I of course took a hand. after singing a few songs by way of variety, we came home. found Mary up and waiting for us. we set up late. Truman is so talkative & I being ____ myself we are apt when we meet to Do Do ___.

Jan 27 Cloudy & colder. Sleighing most excellent. Trumon started home at or before sun rise. lent the Rail Road Supervisor some tools he is to return them to night. turned warm and thawed smartly this afternoon. went Down to Jo Balls and engaged him to haul my logs tomorrow. hitched Old Mike up to the carriage and went to Joel Mcmillans and met the same company that was at Dickinsons last night. got Back at 10 Oclock.

Jan 28 Some cloudy and cool. got up early want to haul logs to Day. got Back at noon. made a sett of Double trees and sett in some skins. Sarah Golbreath took supper with us. John Hise & I talked some more about the farm. I expect I shall buy it. quite warm. the snow is going fast at 10 Oclock P.M.

Jan 29 Cloudy & warm. still thawing with prospects of rain. worked all Day in shop. Ham Hauled a load of Bark for hooping. Anne Wilson is quite unwell, and has come at

my special solicitation to spend a Day or two with in hopes of ___ her strength.

Jan 30 Cloudy & warm still thawing and thawed all Day. worked some in shop. the roads are getting muddy. Mary & Sis is over at Rachel Trescotts. Ann is still with us. God Bless her I hope she will soon ____.

Jan 31 Cloudy and warmer. looks like for rain. were at 11 oclock hitched Old Mike and all went down to the Rail station to meet Flossuth the Hungarian Exile he arrived about 12 Oclock. I succeeded notwithstanding the immense crowd in getting a good look at him. he is so fine a looking man that I fell in love with him. he spoke in the Town Hall to a good audience. he got between three and four Hundred Dollars. I Did not give him one. He came to the window and complimented the People which gave entire Satisfaction. long may he live to advocate the rights of the Down trodden. (not only of Europe) but "all the rest of Mankind" I am unwell got a gathering in my right ear which pains me excessively. Ben Jones called in a little spell.

Feb 1 Some cold and snowing at 7 Oclock. quite unwell yet. sat round the stove all Day. Ben Jones was here to supper. Anne went home at Dark and me Margaret Mary Sis and all sat Down and took a game of Speculation. Mary won all the way. after which we all went to Bed. snowed but little all Day and is freezing but little tonight.

Feb 2 Cloudy & considerable colder. snowed a verry little through the night. feel a considerable better but head aches yet. worked but little. spent most of the Day up town. John Hise called in in the evening and we had a long talk about buying his farm. I expect to buy it tho reluctantly I cannot make money by it . But Father & Mother must have a Home.

Feb 3 Clear & very pleasant all Day. my head is some better tho by no means well. made the time for 2 sett of wheels and put up the new sign at the Farquar House. and I took Down the Old one that I helped put up in 1837. the Post was some little Decayed. got a Pe___ F___ from Oliver Johnson. glad to received it. after a hearty supper I have concluded to cut off my whiskers so here goes. Margaret have you any warm water (yes).

Feb 4 Clear & cool. hooped 8 wheels & Done various other jobs. spent the Day quite comfortable without my whiskers. glad they are off. Margaret took Mrs. Dickinson and Mary Hise out to Father Hises. she got Back after Dusk. the moon shines most Beautiful. Nathaniel Colstock (one of Marys friends) called in at Noon. Mary flew round and got him his Dinner after which he Departed in peace. he is a very nice looking young man. John Goulbourn was Down. have a little spell this evening. I got tired of sitting around & went Down to Esq Harriets office. they were trying Samuel Olton for perjury. he was Discharged with Doubts by the justice whether he was innocent. I believe he was guilty. got home late found all in Bed & I hastened to join my better ½.

Feb 5 Clear & most beautiful all Day. worked hard. commenced a rail road car. after supper Ham & I went out to David Painters & Dug up. Brot Home & set out a beautiful

Sugar tree. I likewise a Maple. Mary Beaumont is here spending the evening.

Feb 6 Cloudy & arm. looks like for rain. worked some at my R R Car. bought 1# Borax. sent Jennings Dash to Pitt to get plated. Aunt Mary Howell took Diner with us. still looks like rain the frost is pretty near all out and the roads is very muddy.

Feb 7 Cloudy & cold. went up to Canfield to see about the gravel for Kecks roof. found plenty of it on Indion Creek. John & Henny Brown is going to haul it for me. the roof has took considerable Damage back. the fox hunt was a failure.

Feb 8 Clear & beautiful. took "Old Mike", and I went Down to Amity Mills & got 6 sycamore & 2 suemake trees & set them out in our Door yard. John Williams went with me. got back about 2 Oclock. spent the balance of the Day at the Farquhar House & the evening at home. Jim Bennett & all the rest of our family played cards. Jack Bonsall & Joel Sharp called in took a hand the time passed off pleasantly.

Feb 9 Clear & warm. got up early and went to Blacksmitting. worked all Day on Jennings Buggy tongue. stuck up a few boards in the evening and Ham & I went to Jonathon Stanleys and brot home a beautiful sugar tree to sit out on the east side of the great gate. Jim Ball called in & played a few tunes on the violin.

Feb 10 Cloudy and looks like raining. to Day Mary Anne is nine years old. I gave her a gold Dollar for a Birth Day present. Nathaniel Colstock called to Day to see Mary. worked at John Balls wagon. raining at 7 Oclock. the roads are muddy. Father & Mother has "Old Mike" and the carriage to go to Jesse Strawns. Josh Holloway brot us a quarter of excellent beef. filled out 2 valentines for Mary to send to D H Boum.

Feb 11 Cloudy & windy some colder. rained all night but is freezing a little all Day. very much crowded with work. made the shafts for John Balls buggy. collected some of the gravel for the school House roof. Janett is here and chatting away at steam engine speed.

Feb 12 Cold & snowing. froze hard last night. Bought a fine lump of Butter. Robt Woods Died this morning. his Disease was Dropsey in the chest. he got up as well as usual Dressed himself and worked out into the Kitchen when he fell and expired instantly. worked hard all Day and to night have just made valentine for Sam Unkefer of Louisville Stark Co Ohio. still very cold.

Feb 13 Snowing fast from the South East and looks like having more sleighing. let it come say I. worked most of the Day on rail road car. made 2 valentines in connection with John McClan. snowed considerable before Bedtime. Borrowed fifteen Dollars of Wm Fawcett and Paid it Henry Schooley. got ½ bushel of Apples of Wm Fawcett for which I gave him 37 cent.

Feb 14 cloudy & cold. snowed some in the night. worked all Day at my Rail Car. snowed some quite cold all Day.

Feb 15 Cold & very cloudy in the west. got up early & worked at my car all Day. several were Down through the course of the Day some assisting & others merely lookers on each one had an opinion of his own as to its utility. for my part I am satisfied it will slide right along. Isaac Taylor & Jesse Hise took supper with us. and Finmon Howell (who came in late) took supper also. Jim Bennett was here. he & I spent the evening in a game of old sledge (or seven up).

Feb 16 Cloudy & cold. lots of snow this morning. put the Day in at the Car. snowed some little all Day. forged out 4 Rail Road picks for Martin. he wants 12. Elizabeth Dickinson took supper with us. Margaret Mary & Sis went up town with her. got back just as we quit work. pretty good Sleighing and prospects is good for more.

Feb 17 Cloudy & cold. thawed a verry little at midday. worked hard all Day at my Car. at Dark took it Down & tried it. it runs well. spent the evening up at the Hotel. Robt Woods was buried to Day. he Died on the 12th. I am tired & shall go forth to Bed.

Feb 18 Blow & cold. worked most of the Day on the Car. got it finished and its gone. I & Robt Campbell ran it Down to Antrims cossing. coming back ran over a large Dog that took the pains to Jump in before us. he must have gotten smartly hurt. we Did not stop but Kept on our way rejoicing. I was glad when we got back to the station. got a letter from Oliver Johnson and am going to try to answer it to night. all hands has gone up town to get up a Juvanile Dancing School. I Doubt they if they sucseed.

Feb 19 Cloudy & verry cold. good sleighing. out of wood. I must get some to Day. worked in shop until noon and then went to the farm & John Hise & I sawed up a large oak tree & He will haul it in tomorrow morning. thawed considerable to Day but will freeze to night. engaged Joshual Holloway & Wm Forker to haul the Balance of my logs for joice. Hired "Old Mike" to Abram Painter. yesterday he gives me 25 cents a Day for him. I am tired but must make some picks to night. forged out six picks. the Northern lights are verry brilliant more so than I ever saw before. they flashed up and looked almost terrific at times. Henry Ambler called me out of Bed to look at them but the weather was too cold to stay up any time so I went Back to bed.

Feb 20 Clear & cold. got up early. made a hammer handle for Rail Road ____ repaired Allen Forkers old wagon. spent some time up town. Wm McCraken Bought Isaac Thomas out of the Livery Stable. went out to collect some money but got none. it is a scarce article at present. thawed some in the middle of the Day but will freeze hard to night.

Feb 21 Cloudy & looks like for snow. Sophia Prescott Died at Six Oclock A.M. with the putred sore throat. turned foggy and remained Densly so all Day. finishedone Dozen of Rail Road picks. went out to go Jo Brooks and got some Dry Hickory for handles. brought it on the hand cart. Jim Bennett & I played cards all the evening. Elizabeth

Sheets and her three little ones here spending the evening & going to stay the night. we are having a pleasant time but it is now getting late and time to go to bed. thawing & raining some at 8 Oclock.

Feb 22 Cloudy & warmer. rained off and on all night. got up early. looks some smoky out and a little like raining. made one Dozen pick handles and then washed and shaved & feel the better of it. Mary Slept all Day. Anne Wilson, Mother Hise & Ben Jones took supper with us. after which I took a walk Down to the Depot. had a comfortable loaf on the Lounge. Hamilton has returned and is now scraping the cat gut and Mary is promenading. and moves as graceful as ___ ___ ___ . warm & rains a little at Dark.

Feb 23 Cloudy & cool. got up early and walked out to David Painters. contemplated going to Canfield but gave it out. Ham & I carried our picks Down to rail road. made a singular kind of Lever for R Road. Done some shores up town. made three rail road picks & put handles in them. got Done at ten Oclock and going to bed time.

Feb 24 Cloudy & warmer. snowed some last night. worked all Day in shop. borrowed fifty Dollars of Tom Sharpnak, but Did not use. made a large Lever for Rail Road. gave intrest 84 cents. bought it of Boons. Wm Hise called here on his way to Pittsburgh. thawed all Day and is now very muddy. I went to Canfield Tomorrow. Abram Painter is going with me.

Feb 25 Cloudy & Disagreeable. rare wind from southwest. got up at Daybreak and am now waiting for Abram Painter. am in a great hurry to get off lest we Do not get Done to Day. started early and by dint of great perseverance we finished. the weather was verry unfavorable in the afternoon. snowed and Blowed like all possessed. we finished about Dusk. hitched up immediately and came home. got home about 8 Oclock. got a good warm supper and then played ukre until late. ___ paid me one Dollar payed out half of it for our Diner. verry cold and Disagreeable all Day. I feel some times but considering the work I have Done to Day I have no reason to complain. with these passing remarks I now retire.

Feb 26 Cloudy & cold. froze hard last night. got up late went up to Forker House and sat by stove until 8 Oclock and as I write I feel reluctant to go to work, but as there is “no rest for the wicked”. I shall Do what I can to extricate myself from the large amount of work on hand by pitching myself right into the breach and exerting myself as much as my physical system can endure without danger of entire prostration or exhaustion. I have already experienced considerable but feel as though I can still endure a little more. Put the Day in at Balls Buggy made R Road Bolts to night. Father Gouldbourn & Mother & Mary Lee was here visiting Thursday afternoon. freezing some to night but not so cold as last night. Margaret is right poorly with the sore throat but I hope not seriously ill although the Putred sore throat is quite prevalent in the neighborhood which causes us a little uneasiness lest it may be setting in with her. she is at present reposing on the lounge with her throat Bandaged in cold water which I hope will give speedy relief. Ham is scraping cat gut behind the store. Mary is hemming a very nice table cloth the she bought

to Day and am now tired of writing & will therefore Drop the subject.

Feb 27 Clear & cold but is going to thaw some to Day. put my hams & shoulders strong pickle. worked hard all Day on the Buggy. Margarets throat is better. John Hise took Diner with us. road is muddy and not going to freeze much to night. got the Liberator & Bugle Both, but am too tired to read them.

Feb 28 Cloudy & Dull. rained some last night. put in the Day at the Buggy. got it about Done. John Deming called but Did not want his money. I had it for him. got sixty Dollars of my pay for school House roof. will probably get the Balance next week. rained some most of the Day. the water is high & mud Deep. at 4 oclock the wind changed to north west and is yet howling & snowing at a sound rate. we have had a hard winter thus far. Mary & Sis has gone up to Dancing School. Ham plays the violin for them. Margaret is still better and as I write is washing our supper Dishes. not a pound of good Butter to be had at any place.

Feb 29 Cold & ground covered with snow. the wind blowed tremendously all night. got up late but no Difference shall not do much to Day. was out To see Father Hise he is still poorly. looked out over the farm & returned. took Diner first. looked at a yoke of cattle. got Sam Shopmacks judgment on them. I Do not like them. probably shall not buy them. Avaline Bennett is here spending the Day with Mary. she is very quiet thus far and we have now had our supper. sun sets in a heavy cloud. will freeze considerable tonight. ought to write a letter or two but have no paper. Sam Sharpnack has 8 good Horses at the Farquhar House. Bought them in Allen Co Ohio. Feb had 5 Sundays in a circumstance that has not, and will not again take place for a number of years.

Mar 1 Cool with ground froze hard. put the Day in at work in shop. handed in my account against Perry Township. will probably get the money tomorrow. John Fawcett starts East to Day. Bought iron at Heatons for Jo Ball. Potatoes is selling at 75 cts . made up 4 R R Picks and it is now past 9 Oclock & I will go to Bed. heard of the Death of Margarets Aunt Peggy Father Gouldbourns Sister. she lived in England & Died with Dropsey in the chest. [notation in margin: H Blackburns wife Died].

Mar 2 Cold froze hard last night. got up early & went to smithing. Done some work for Rail Road & commenced Emon Fawcetts wagon Bed. Armstrong Blackburn wife was Burried to Day. I was Down to R R Station & Saw James Tully start for Home. I think we will not live one month. got 6 Dollars & 86 cents from Perry Township. Paid five Dollars of borrowed money. Drawed of my R R accounts up March 1st & presented it for payment. it amounted to $44.73 cents will give me quite a lift. still cold at 9 Oclock. Ham is sewing on the cat gut & I am going to Bed.

Mar 3 Clear & pleasant over head but cold wind all Day. worked at Emon Fawcetts wagon bed until noon. Done some work for R R and repaired School House Roof. Bought 125 worth of Iron of John Fawcett. Bought 6 brooms of Joel Mcmillen for 75

cts. very cheap. Margaret is visiting up town. some cloud at sunset & cold. John Hise hauled us a load of wood. Bartered Jesse Thomas to trade property. Do not know how we shall make it.

Mar 4 Cloudy & Dull. got up late. Hamilton went to Tom Wilsons to buy some Butter but got none. was up town this evening but could not get any. the Hotels are sending off seven or eight men to buy it & then can scarcely get it. worked all Day in shop. made 4 R R Picks to night. Margaret is weak from taking medicine. has gone to bed. Rained all the afternoon and froze as it fell which the ____ verry grey. But is warmer and Does not freeze at 9 Oclock.

Mar 5 Cloudy & Dull. smoke all comes Down ground covered with ice. laid some R R Picks & Bought 9 gallons of Molasses. Bought some stone of Sam Elton worked the Balance of Day on Balls wagon. Bought 4-1/2# butter. Paid Isaac ___ 5 Dollars. got Anne Wilson to ½ Sole Boots. warm & muddy. go to Bed feeling well.

Mar 6 Cloudy & cold. thawed some in middle of the Day. altered Switch on R Road and worked on Boggs wagon. Mr. Martin Rail Road Engineer paid off my account up to March first which amounted to fifty four Dollars & 72 cents. paid Alfred Wright 25 Dollars 67 cents, got the Balance on hand yet. Mary is up town to see the folks. made 2 R Rail spikes. Saturday night as it is we are verrry much crowded with work more so then with money.

Mar 7 Partially clear & cold. froze hard last night. got up at 8 Oclock. took a walk round Town But is too cold. to be agreeable. Saw Rachel Hise at Father Gouldbourns. attended a meeting of the Executive Committee. took a piece at Father Gouldbourns among which are a Dish of nice oysters. hitched up Old Mike and Margaret Drove him out to Father Hises. walked out after eating a little Dinner John & I looked out over the farm. I am at present quite sick of it. I Do not know how long it will last. returned about sunset. brought Father Hise into meeting. Mary was out to C Bennetts on a visit returned Directly after we got fire kindled. Jim accompanied her. he is looking on as I write. Margaret Has gone to bed. Mary is heming her pocket Hankerchief and perhaps wishes her & Jim was alone. and as I have no objections to their being I will retire. (Day was verry pleasant).

Mar 8 Cloudy & warm. got up early & finished 2 heaters for A B ___. Paid Jack Mcmillen 34 Dollars paid Tom Brooks 3 Dollars got 50 Dollars of Simeon Jennings on the new Buggy now at D Woodruffs. worked in shop all Day. Father Hise took breakfast with us. Rachel Hise Mary Hise & Aunty Eunice spent the afternoon with us. welded steel in 4 R R Picks. rained some this afternoon and is verry Dark & muddy at 8 Oclock. wrote a letter to Joe Howard ordering 8 Bowels of pitch for Hack Roof it leaks.

Mar 9 Cloudy & warm. got up early and repaired R R Car. rained considerable. gave Jack Miller 8 Dollars for Oliver Johnson of Philadlelphia. Paid Ephriam Smith 2 Dollars. Paid 2 Dollars of my Plank Road stock. Paid it to Ben Hawley. Ben Jones took Supper

and spent the evening with us. wind blows and is some colder.

Mar 10 Some cloudy but warm & pleasant. Did not rest well last night. "Old Mike" got back & kept up such a racket that we could not sleep. worked in shop until noon. this afternoon Abraham Painter & I graveled the School House. got it hauled up about sundown. the gravel is yet to spread. Margaret & Sis is up at the Dance. Mary Beaumont has just called in. I fell asleep on the Lounge and knowed nothing until waked by Margaret to go to Bed.

Mar 11 Clear & cool with wind in South East. got up early and went to Evan & Jo Balls hunting a two year old stear but found none to suit me. on my return learned for the first time that the American House was burned last night. the fine originator in the garrett some one was up with a candle at 10 Oclock which is supposed to have set something on fire but Did not break out until 2 Oclock A.M. I am almost ashamed to record the fact that I slept so sound as to hear nothing of it until all was over. but the fact is I was so tired when retiring that I slept uncommond sound. The two upper stories are burned off. the Market House & Town Hall escaped by a fortunate turn of the wind from west to south east but for that fortunate circumstance over to town must have bene burned Down to Chestnut Street. Chessmans fire proof House would have ___ it progress. paid Avis Hineman 200 the last I owe him for ___ Done last Summer by his son Jon Cris. Bought a Bushel of flour. worked in shop. Bought a good lot of stone of Tom Celton to give him 3 Dollars for them. cheap enough. he hauled them over with my horse & wagon. looks like rain at 8 Oclock.

Mar 12 Cloudy & Dull. repaired C Fletchers ___. settled with Wm Fawcett. he paid off my book ___ $5.40 and I paid him back the money I Borrowed of him a week or two ago. the Passenger Cars now through to Massilon yesterday & Back to Day for the first time. Ham has gone to Albany to a school examination. he will have a muddy tromp of it. Dark & rains like all ___ at 8 Oclock. Margaret bought ½ bushel of Dried Apples of Jo Thomas for which she paid one Dollar. the highest Price I ever knew paid for the article. Aaron Antrim has ten bushel to sell. But is waiting for a higher price. he will probably take fifty cents per bushel.

Mar 13 A little hazy & warm. worked all Day in shop. painted the car & took Down on the Road it runs well. left it on John Barnes crossing. want to go to Alliance on it tomorrow. read Whittiers Branded Hand and soul heavy poem it is.

Mar 14 Cloudy & verry pleasant. a smart thunder Shower at 5 Oclock A.M. waiting for breakfast. ___ Ham & started for Alliance. well we started at 7 Oclock and arrived at Alliance at ½ 9. we could have went up in one hour & a half. we got back at 1 Oclock. Bought 3# good butter of Mrs. Mines 10 miles west of Salem. went out to gardens. met Margaret & Mary there. witnessed a little manifestation of the Spirits (so called for want of any other name). Mrs. Gordon is a Medium but not a verry good one yet. I Did not get home until after Dark. found our folks all Right. they left Gordons before I Did. they came in the carriage & I came on foot. had a hard shower of rain at ½ past one Oclock.

Mar 15 Clear & windy. worked all the forenoon on Emon Fawcetts wagon. in the afternoon repaired Fletcher hand Car. and set up & assisted John Ball to take his Buggy to the Depot. after night I Done work for Rail Road Co. Bought 250# Iron. owe Schilling one Dollar on it yet. mud Dried up uncommon fast to Day.

Mar 16 Clear & pleasant. got up early and worked hard all Day for Rail Road Co. went Down to Depot to see Ball's folks off but Did not stay until the Cars started. John Ball & James Ball & Abram Painter allstarted to iowa. Joseph Ball went to Pittsburg to engage a Boat for them. I sent a letter by him to Jas Howard & Co. made cro bars in the evening and as I write I am very tired. got 4.00 Dollars from the Burrough of Salem. Money expended on improvements & had refunded in consequence of a new law regulating incorporated towns. Dark & looks like rain at 9 O'clock.

Mar 17 Partially clear & warm. commenced a Jack to hoist the R R track. felt tired all Day. hauled a load of wood. turned much colder and I got very cold while I was out after wood. a false alarm of fire to night.

Mar 18 Cold & stormy. ground covered with snow & still snowing. got up late Did not go to shop until after breakfast. remained cold all Day. worked in Shop all Day. made 2 picks for R R Co. to night. Margaret & Sis was up to Mother Goulbourns this afternoon. David Hennison the last survivor of the Boston Tea party Died at Chicago on the third of this month. his age is not given. he was buried with military honors. had some Discussion with Fred Stanley but he would Do all the talking so I of course gave in. Albert Teeters & Ellen Woods was married this evening.

Mar 19 Clear & cold. clouded up and remained cold all Day. made a Jack for Hoisting up R R Track. Phebe Hensilwood & Elizabeth Hise (Johns) wife was here this afternoon. Anne Wilson is here with us to supper & is going to stay all night. snowed fast at sundown and is still very cold. An Irishman frose to Death last night he worked on the R Road between here and Alliance.

Mar 20 Clear & cold all Day with some snow. took my Jack Down to R Road and tried it. it proved to be what was needed. I hope to get more to make. Bought some eggs to night. to much of a chuckle head to write & I shall therefore quit.

Mar 21 Snowing like blazes. got up late went to work some in shop to Day but am out of common stone coal. made a tool chest for R Campbell & Painter. it snowed very fast about 2 O'clock is some warmer at 4. snow 2 inches Deep.

Mar 22 Cloudy & some warmer considerable snow. got up early & worked for R R Co. spent a good portion of the Day up town. Bought a fine lump of butter of Schillingspaid 16 cents per pound for. Margaret bought her a new Dress & is now making it. Elizabeth Dickinson took supper with us. worked until 9 O'clock for R R Co. made large switch wedges. is raining at 9 O'clock. Borrowed ten Dollars of Henry Shaffer & sent to

Pittsburg by Don Pettit to Graffe Linsey & Co to pay for round iron. Mary Beaumont is spending the evening. John Williams the English Ditcher moved to Day. Widow Williamson left for New Castle Pa Glad she is gone. witnessed a Deed for Samuel Elton to Bosel Bowel. Ben Hawley acknowledged it.

Mar 23 Cold & blustering with considerable snow. got up early and worked for R R Co. Margaret took a good nap this morning & I am glad to see her enjoy life. hope she may long continue to Do so. Done but little to Day. repaired Wm Fawcett's wagon. went Down to Schooleys Saw Mill to get some 3 inch scanting but they had no log that was good enough to make them. spent some time at the Farquhar House. slept on the lounge until late. after being roused by Margaret we all went to bed.

Mar 24 Cold & snowing like the very Devil. commenced a 2 horse wagon for myself. I have an old sett of hubs that I am going to use. I write at 8 O'clock & it is still snowing fast from South East. Elwood Vickers got my Carriage yesterday to take a Fugitive Slave out to another station. She hailed a little before, is going to freese to night.

Mar 25 Partially clearing & some warmer. thawed smartly all Day. I hauled a load of wood. Jo Ball hauled us a good load of hickory. bought 12 1/2 lb iron of Sharp & Bonsall to make a spiking hamer for R R Co. got lots of work to Do for them. got but little Done at my waggon to Day. Mary cleaned house for Ben Jones. he has rented part of the Bath House. went up town a little while this evening. Mary is stillpracticing on the Slate. she will come out a medium yet.

Mar 26 Cloudy & very pleasant. warm & pleasant at 10 O'clock. Dark & threatens rain but rained but little. worked for rail road watch noon the went Down to Holloways Sawmill & rolled in some of our saw logs. made hame in McCrackens hack. turned much colder at 8 O'clock. went Down to Depot found that my iron had come. sent Hamilton Down after it freight on it was 75 cents. gave the Mahoning Plank road Co my Due Bill for 25 Dollars & got a certificate for 4 shares of their Stock. Ham bought 18 creely hen eggs of Old Mrs. Moore & we sett them under "Old Blue". Anne Wilson called Down & spent an hour or two. I accompanied her up town to assist her over the mud.

Mar 27 Cold & cloudy but ground not frosen. making tamper bars for rail road Co. attended Wm Lightfoot's Sale. bought a good Copper kettle & some other articles. Bought a barrel of good vinegar of Sam Elton left it along side of the road & some mischevous Devil pulled out the spile & let it about allout. lost about $2.50 worth. Spent some time with Wm & Ruthana Lightfoot at the Farquhar House. they are staying there a few Days before starting east.

Mar 28 Cool frose the ground a little last night. got up early & made some tools for R R Co. settled with Wm Lightfoot gave him my Due bill for 8.93 Due in six months. went to hear Kenyon preach but was not very much interested in his Discourse. this afternoon I went Down the R Road as far as where it crosses the Middle Fork. on my return gathered up 47 spikes out which I want to make a log chain. when I got home found Ben Jones the

two Dickinsons & Anne Wilson all here. we had a pleasant chat all took supper after which they all went home. Jim Bennett is here & Mary is experimenting with the Slate. Hanilton is just returned from church after which I concluded to retire.

Mar 29 Cloudy & rainy thundered considerable. got up late Done but little this forenoon. Bought cast steel for new hand hamer --- made a good one. brot our Copper kettle home. Rynear Swaim & Lady with Mr Hinyon called & took Supper with us. I was glad they did so. slept well on the Lounge until reminded by Margaret that it was bed time. I write while I can scarce keep my eyes open. raining since 4 O'clock.

Mar 30 Warm & wet. worked all Day for R R Co. John Deming called in and talked awhile in the evening after whichMargaret & I went up to the Farquhar House to spend the evening with Wm & Ruthanne Lightfoot for the last time. to morrow they start east Do not expect to return. I am sorry for it as they are so very amiable and kind & benevolent. rained and thundered hard this afternoon. waters high & road very bad.

Mar 31 Cloudy & wet rained hard most of the forenoon. cut into the Bank vault again. Damn their lock it is of no account. went with Margaret & Sis to the Depot to take leave of Wm & Ruthanne Lightfoot they started east in the cars. made lots of tools for for R R Co to Day and they still want more. snowed & blowed like mad. the month goes out rough. writ a letter to Jas Howard of Pittsburg and one to joel Heck of Canfield. the Juvenile Do___ met here to night. the roads is about impossible & waters high. my hip is afflicted with the rheumatism. to bed to bed.

Apr 1 Partially clear early but soon clouded up and turned much colder. Margaret went with carriage and "Old Mike" to take Mrs. Dickinson out to the farm some six miles North of Salem. the roads could not be worse and I never saw so much moving as was going on all Day. Ben Jones & Henry Lewis is moving their shop into our House on Main Street Corner of Commerce St. Margaret is not back at 7 O'clock and I Do not look for her to night. I feel rather lonesome but if she is only comfortable I will get along. Sis is amusing herself cutting flowers of paper.

Apr 2 Cold with 2 inches of snow. Did not sleep very well last night. got up early & made fire. am anxious about Margaret the road is so Damned Bad I do not see how she is to get back. I expect I shall go to meet her. went to meet Margaret got as far as Wm Webbs house and saw them coming. sat Down on a log & waited for them. they were well bundled up and felt comfortable. got home a little before noon. two of Charles Grissells Daughters came into the Hutchison Family consent & put up with us. at an early hour we all repaired to the Methodist Church to hear the celebrated vocalists & such a refreshing season I have never before experienced. they had complete control of their audience which was a good one for Salem. at times convulsed with emotion & the next minute as silent as the grave. they neither shave or cut their hair which give them a rather ludicrous appearance but if their taste of course they have a right to adopt it. they appear to be up to all the reforms of the Day. got back at 9 1/2 O'clock and after a little sociable chat with our company retired to rest - Amen.

Apr 3 Clear & cool. got up about sunrise & made a fire. am in an ill humor, but think it best not to record the occasion of it so Drop it right here - - - shall not work much to Day am not right well. John Gordon Paid me 85 Dollars. Ben Jones Had "Old Mike" & wagon to move his work benches & tools. the Grissells started home about 10 O'clock. Hamilton helped George Sheets move a House this afternoon. Joseph England called in to get a Dollar that i owed him. he has been poorly since New years first I knew of it. Spent the evening on the Lounge with margaret and feel some better since supper. Sis went to the Dance. when she returned we all with one accord turned in.

Apr 4 Cloudy raw & cold. got up late and made a fire which felt very comfortable indeed. rained a little and as I write look Dreary and forlorn out Doors. attended the Committee meeting but there being no qurom I did not stay long. set round the house all afternoon. started with Sis & Margaret to go to Father Hise's but it commenced raining and we turned back. is still raining at 7 1/2 O'clock P M. Mary has gone up to the Farquhar House to spend the evening. wind howls mournfully out but we are very comfortable within Doors. no friends have called on us to Day. the going is so bad I suppose is the reason. a Sunday rarely passes without a few friendly calls. I hope next Sunday may pleasant if for no other reason than to render facilitating for visiting. without a call from our friends occasionally we get Disponding a state of mind to which I in particular am in a Degree inclined. writ a short letter to Truman Case of Randolph Portage Co Ohio. waited for Mary's return she came back about 9 O'clock at which time the weather was without change.

Apr 5 Cloudy raw & cold still raining with high waters and prospects are favorable for a rise. Mary & I got up late. Margaret is still in bed. if she can rest better there than up I hope she will still sleep. I want her to make the best she can of life, which in her case, I fear will not be a long one. I however will not Dispair but hope for the best. went up and got 14 Dollars of Albert Silver (rent money). Done some work for R Road. cold & Disagreeable until toward noon when it turned some warmer. had considerable thunder and hard rain. town Election to Day. G Washington Wilson was elected Justice of the peace. Anne Wilson came Down toward evening & the weather was so Disagreeable we prevailed on her to stay all night and a pleasant sociable time we had of it. our conversation embrased a variety of subjects. John Hise got a letter from George Hise. he has gone to Oregon.

Apr 6 Cold and stormy snowing & Blowing like fury. got up early and went up and bought 4 1/2 lb of Beef gave 7 cents per pound for it tough as Hell at that. Anne is still here, the roads is almost impassable. we must have some wood to Day. worked but little in shop to Day. C P Fletcher engaged me to make 5 Jacks for R R Co. they will be worth 40 Dollars. Margaret & Sis is up at Jesse Hises. I must go up too. Anne & Margaret went up together. I went up & took Supper with her got back before Dark went to bed early.

Apr 7 Clear & pleasant all Day. worked in wood shop most of the Day. Paid John Hise

$227.00 on the land bought of him he started to Indiana to buy land. I owe him five hundred & 35 Dollars yet. Elizabeth Dickinson has just got back to town but she is unwell she will stay with us to night. went up to Farquhar House & listened to some very playing on the violin.

Apr 8 got up late. some colder. worked for R R Co all Day. settled with E Greiner returned the ten Dollars of Borrowed of him some time ago. he paid me fifteen Dollars & owes me twenty two and a half yet. he is to pay Henry Shaffer ten Dollars for me which will still leave him twelve Dollars & fifty cents. Bought myself a new leather apron gave 62 1/2 cents for it. Bought 2 bushels of choped corn & Oats for Old Kate. she is rather poorly. no butter to be had yet. clear at sun Down & a most Damned cold. will be a hard frost to night. after supper went up to Farquhar House and listened to the very best performance on the violin it was ever my fortune to hear. got home about 10 O'clock. made the Fiddler up a purse of over one Dollar.

Apr 9 Clear & cool but is going to be pleasant to Day. bought 17 1/2 lb of good beef gave 7 cents per pound for it. removed 1 cherry tree and 1 apple tree. worked some in the Shop. a very cold raw wind all Day. mud dried up fast but plenty of it yet. spending the evening at home.

Apr 10 got up early found the morning clear & Delightful and so the weather remained all Day. worked in shop until noon. went Down to the R R Station saw my Old friend Thomas Humphrey but could not chat long as the cars were here but a few minutes. hauled 2 loads of wood. Wm Ray paid me one Dollar for a chain we made him to Day. Sis is going to her class to night is the last of the term. she is not much of a Dancer yet but this will give her a start. slightly cloudy at sundown. Campbell called at the Door & I went up to the Hotel with him but Did not stay long. returned early & went to bed.

Apr 11 Cloudy & raining. worked some for R R Co. at noon hitched up "Old Mike" and went out to see Father Hise. took Mary Down to Bennetts. it rained about all Day. went Down to jo Balls Saw Mill he was busy sawing. I got him to saw my fence posts returned about Dark found all well. Hamilton had made a fire. Sis is right sick I suppose she has over Done herself playing. Margaret is preparing a bath for her that generally cures her. Father Hise is rather poorly his legs hurt him very much. Jim is here to night but he & I are scarcely on speaking terms.

Apr 12 Clear & pleasant. got up late was tired. knocked round all Day for R R Co. Jo West & Jim Smith was here framing Cars for me. out of coal borrowed 1 bushel of George Sheets. set out 4 cherry trees the graft of which were sent to me from Bucks Co pennsylvania. Ham has gone a fishing. looks like rain. sis is right poorly all Day. she has a sore throat. I Do not feel well myself.

Apr 13 Clear & pleasant. Mary went to see her brother-in-law Huddlemeyer that got shot the other Day. John Bland drove "Old Mike" up to the Carriage. they will have a hard trough of it. Jo & Jim is about Done with the cars. was Down to the Depot at 2 O'clock

70 passengers took passage from here to Day the Road is Doing a great business. I am Doing a large amount of work for it. Margaret is Doing her own work to Day and tomorrow. David Woodruff & I settled. I owed him $94.70 cents paid him in cash. I still hold his Due bill for 105 Dollars &30 cents. wrote a letter to Jas Howard & Co No 84 Wood St pittsburg and am now ready to go to bed.

Apr 14 Cloudy and rained a little early this morning. made some tools for R R Co after which I went to Holloways mill & hauled in the ballance of my logs. had Wm Fawcetts Oxen. tried to have Wm Kirtland to form for me but Did not ____. he will let me know on Monday next. Ben Jones took a cup of coffee with us. rainy at 9 O'clock. Margaret has gone to bed and I shall soon follow her.

Apr 15 Some cloudy & cool. got up late worked in shop most of the Day. sett out 7 trees 3 poplars 2 aspen & 2 Dog wood trees. Borrowed 40 Dollars of Father Goulbourn. bought a fresh fish cost 42 cents an excellent good one. E. Dickinson took supper with us Ham accompanied her home. Genette Williams called Down a while but as I write Margaret Sis and I are alone. roads very bad wether so wet no oats ground plowed yet. wrote a letter to Jas Howard Pittsburgh.

Apr 16 Clear & cool. bought some beef worked in shop most of the Day. went Down to Depot sent 8 Dollars with Henry Rankins to pay 2 barrels of Pitch that I want him to Buy for me. Paid T C Boone 30 Dollars owe him about as much more. hope to be able to pay him soon. Felix Brady Died to Day. he was quite a worthy Colored Man. looks some like raining at 7 O'clock.

Apr 17 Partially clear. worked in the shop until noon. commenced raining about 10 O'clock. started out to David Deals after Mary found the roads almost impossible. got to Huddlemeyers about 5 O'clock found better than I expected. his leg is off and is commenced healing. after staying awhile & Maryate her Supper we started and went on to Deals. found them all well and enjoying life. spent the evening in reading anecdotes and at 1/2 past nine we went to bed.

Apr 18 slept up close to the roof and I laid and enjoyed the noise of the fall of rain which waked me up about midnight. I did not sleep sound from that until morning. got up at 1/2 past six and altho it rained I walked over to David Thomas's and got a nice shrub bush. Bought 4 1/2 lb of good butter in Georgetown yesterday as I passed through cost 12 1/2 cents per pound. called and got as I came back. arrived safe & found all well at 1/2 past 4 O'clock.

Apr 19 Cloudy & raining still, rained constant for the last 48 hours. the waters are now very high and still rising. made out a bill of iron D Woodruff is going to get it filled for me. Sis is going to school and Mary is getting breakfast. Margaret is well & I feel glad that I am yet alive to enjoy their company. all is right with me now, prospects are encouraging ahead. rained most of the Day made Jo Shinn a plough Share & some tools for R R Co. the cars come in later I suppose on account of high water. Ephraim Greiner

paid me off to Day gave the money to Margaret & Mary. Ben Jones took supper with us. Mary Beaumont spent the evening with us. Mary is now practicing on the Slate But her communications are unintelegable, we hope they may improve. still Dark & raining at 8 O'clock.

Apr 20 Still cloudy & raining with no apparent prospect of clearing off. cold and Disagreeable, waters high & roads as bad as can be. Bought 5 lb of beef steak at 7 cents per pound. Bought 5 lb clover seed cost 54 cents. Ham & I went fishing but I very soon became tired of it & went over to joseph Bimmermans and got a shrub bush and from there came home. Did not arrive until afternoon. after taking Diner went with Ephriam Smith out to the farm and showed him a piece of land that I want him to clean up. I offered him all he could raise on it this Summer if he would clear it and fence it in. he left me with the understanding that he would Do so. came back and after sharpening a pair of Plow irons for Allen Forker I went up town and spent the Ballance of the Day in business. Margaret was up to see Elizabeth Dickinson who has been very sick but is now getting some better. hope she may recover for she is one of my favorites.

Apr 21 Cloud & raining yet with wind in North West. sat up with Henry Lewis who is quite poorly has been very sick. got home at 2 O'clock this morning. slept sound until late feel pretty well since getting up. no prospects of plowing yet. Wm Kirtland my hired man came on this morning to go to work. rained very little to Day. sun shone some before setting but is now cloudy again. Ben Jones Drank coffee with us. Ham & I Drained our cornfield. Dressed our shop fire etc etc. Feel Sleepy & shall soon go to bed.

Apr 22 Cloudy & cool. Wm Smith came this morning & commenced work for me he is out on the farm. rained moderately all of the afternoon. was Down to John Hilliards & Jo Balls to get some hay, but could get none. Bought some of Jesse Hise. brot E Dickinson Down in Our Carriage she is still poorly but is getting better. Drove the spokes in my waggon. got a letter from James Howard of Pittsburgh and a pamphlet on the Spirit Rappings from Oliver Johnson. read some in it to night but have no faith in the work. too Dull to write.

Apr 23 Cloudy & cold. got up early and went for beef. snowed smartly at 7 O'clock and is still cold remained cold all Day. worked in shop most of the Day. Harriet Dickinson took Diner with us. Elizabeth is still poorly. spent the evening up town having gone up with Anne Wilson who called Down a few minutes.

Apr 24 Clear with sharp frost. got up early and brot my wagon felloes from town and spread them out to Dry. David Woodruff is quite sick but is some better this morning. looks like being pleasant to Day. we have had the muddiest roads this spring that we have had for years. the Ohio River is very high has been within two feet of the highest it was in 1832 upwards of 70 feet above low water mark. helped patch George Allisons Boiler. finished spreading the gravel on schoolhouse roof. Bought a barrel of Flour paid 2.25 for it. several called in to see Elizabeth. Harriet is here taking care of her. Ben Jones took supper with us Hanna Strawn & Sister also. engaged a hand car to go to Alliance

tomorrow.

Apr 25 Cold cloudy & wet rained some last night and at 7 O'clock has every appearance of being a wet Day. I have made a fire & put in the Tea Kettle ready for breakfast but our folks are yet sleeping. after eating started up to Alliance. David (the Fugitive) & Isaac Taylor accompanied me got back at 12 O'clock. still cloudy but no rain. Elizabeth is some better but is still quite poorly. Margaret is busy preparing Diner for us. took a walk with Margaret up to David Fawcetts they had some Delightful flower pots one cactus in particular is very beautiful and full of bloom. several has called Down to see Elizabeth I fear too many as she will talk too much. pleasant most of the afternoon.

Apr 26 Cloudy & wet with any quantity of thunder lightning wind & rain. was Down to Sharps saw mill. went to get his oxen but could not he is using them. got home afternoon took Diner with Mother Hise. two very hard showers about noon. J F Dickinson was here to see Elizabeth she is much better is at my elbow as I write. Margaret is out at Father Hises went out with Wm Kirtland in the two horse wagon. I went Down to see Jo Ball but had I staid home would have been just as much better off as the time I spent in going (had it been well employed) would have made me. but such is often the case we must take the Bad luck along with the good. I wrote a letter to Jas Howard of Pittsburg ordering five Barrels of pitch and one of Tar with six Hundred lb of Paper. I want it roof the American House.

Apr 27 Cold & raw with wind in the northwest. roads still impassable. cloudy but too cold to rain. got up too soon feel Drowsy for want of more sleep. Mary has just got up but Ham is still snoring. the Sun is up sometimes. Margaret is sweeping out the rooms. worked a little in the shop in the afternoon. went Down to Ben Windells for oats but got none. got back a little before sundown. sent a letter to Howard & Co of Pitt. Father Goulbourn called Down a few minutes this evening. he is in trouble about his Son John who is gradually becoming insane. Elizabeth is stillgetting better. sat up late and sung songs.

Apr 28 Some cloudy & cool with very little rain last night. got up at sunrise worked all Day on Rail Road Cars. Bought one Dollars worth of coffee & Butter. talked some with Z Street about my Brick but came to no terms positive. rained some since Dark. spent the evening up town. Old James Brown Was buried to Day. Bought 50 bushels of Oats of John Gordon he is to bring them when I send him word. Elizabeth Dickinson is still mending. David Jimeson & E Philips returned to Day.

Apr 29 Cloudy with some rain last night. got up early made a Pick Handle for Allen Forker. he is going to superintend the Repairing of Sandy & Beaver Canal west of New Lisbon. carried up some of my iron from Depot. this afternoon went out to Father Hises to assist them in papering their House. got back and stooled round town the rest of the Day. Ben Jones took supper with us & read a very interesting letter from Elizabeth. She is in Peoria Illinois Doing well. after Supper went up to See Elizabeth still mending. called to see Anne Wilson, she is poorly but cheerful.

Apr 30 Cloudy & any quantity of rain last night. no plowing to be Done yet awhile. Bought 40 cents worth of Beef. rained some through the Day. Wm Kirtland Wife was Buried to Day at 2 O'clock. spent most of the Day building sawmill & putting it up for Sis. Sold Tom French 50 bushels of John Gordons Oats for 25 cents per bushel. Margaret & Mary is cleaning House. went up in the evening according to previous arrangements to Settle with Z Street but could not catch him he is too Slippery for me. we shall in all probability have some Difficulty I will avoid it if possible.

May 1 Clear and Delightful over head and the very opposite under foot. lots rain last night very windy all Day. went out to John Gordons this forenoon. brought back a nice young sugar tree got home at noon. this afternoon helped put up R R Cars. had some talk with Zad Street about my brick after which went to hear the Ethiopeon Serenaders but was too late. got home about 10 O'clock. Did not go to sleep until nearly midnight.

May 2 Cloudy & cool. got up very late Did not breakfast until nearly 10 O'clock. John Gordon called Down & he and I went to the Executive committee together after which I took a walk out to see Father Hise he is quite poorly. I took him my englishcane that Father Goulbourn brought me from England last summer. returned and found Benj Jones here he took Supper with us as Did Isaac Krumrine & Lady. remained cool all Day. some in hope the rain is over for the present. gave Andrew Myers my Due bill for five Dollars Dated 3 of March instead of May by mistake. it is to pay for Harris Boots. James Bennett is here he & I has had a talk about mary & Him. they are to Married next thursday evening. am to engage the Squire & make other necessary announcements for the wedding. rained a very little.

May 3 Clear & cool looks like the weather was settled. hauled up my iron & Pitch from Depot. Daniel Gross called on me to bargain to mould a kiln of Brick for me but he came too late. I have given out making Brick this summer. Started to Canfield to repair Hecks roof found it not half as bad as I expected. finished & got back at 11 O'clock to Day found all well. Ham had Borrowed 3 Dollars of John Hise and Paid Jo Picket what I owed him. got a letter from Oliver Johnson. Mary Anne is coming west in a few Days. start to Pittsburgh this afternoon. started and arrived safe at 5 1/2 O'clock. called on Mr Howard & Robt Heddleson the latter being sick put up at the Red Lion St Clair St.

May 5 Clear & pleasant. got up at 2 O'clock A M. gave my bed to a very Sleepy Stage passenger. rambled about the city. went on board of Steam Boat Elephant, a very large boat. left on the cars at 1/2 past 8 O'clock. arrived at Home at 12 O'clock. found Six Barrels of Pitch here from Cleveland cost 3.75 per barrel. sett out 10 sugar trees. Aaron Wilson gave them to me. Ben Jones took a cup of coffee with us. Wm Kirtland came Down from the Farm to tell me he was ready for the Oats. he will Sow some of them tomorrow. we will all go to Bed.

May 6 Clear & pleasant warmest to Day thats been this spring. worked in wood shop all Day. made a yankee turntable for R Road. Calvin Moore paid me 26 Dollars & 37 cents

for boards. paid Mrs Botey 2 Dollars. Paid Harry Rankins the fifty Dollars borrowed of him on the 4 inst. John Gordon sent me 40 bushels of Oats. spaded a little in garden. after supper prepared for Marys wedding which came off at 8 O'clock P M. She has lived with us so long she appears like one of the family. I feel reluctant to have her go and leave us but must submit. I think she has got a good Husband which goes a long way to reconcile me. his name is James Bennett. I have known him ever since he was born he is an industrious young man and she as industrious as can be. no Danger if they have health but they will get along. George W Wilson Esq Administered the Marriage ceremony the first in his life not having been Justice of the Peace but 2 weeks. he Done it up briefly but Scientifically after which partook of a little refreshment in the shape of pound cake & Lemonade. returned at 1/2 past 10. Anne Wilson happened in and we prevailed on her to tarry with us and witness the ceremony and as i write she is still here.

May 7 Clear & pleasaant with some indications of rain. got up early but too late to get good beef. our wedding folks are beginning to show themselves. James has come Down Stairs & I can occasionally hear Mary break out into a loud laugh from which I infer that that she will soon be on hand. Margaret & Anne Wilson is getting breakfast. Jim went and brot Joel McMillans carriage & took Mary home. she took most of her clothes. Anne staid until after Diner. Margaret went up town with her & returned very poorly her limbs ache very much. Sis got supper for us. Bill Smith helped Ham to Day. commenced a wheelbarrow for James Bonnoly. lent Jesse Hise five Dollars. Bought 1/2 barrel of crackers for two Dollars they are very good ones. I shall go to early to bed.

May 8 some little cloudy. got up early & bought a quart of alcohol and put in 2 ounces of gum of camphor for Margaret to bathe her legs. she suffered extreme pain all last night neither of us rested any scarcely. Anne Wilson came Down and cooked breakfast for us. Ham & I spaded garden until noon. I went to Depot after my Tar & Paper but was again Doomed to Disappointment. returned & went to work at my wheelbarrow. Margaret is a little better at 3 O'clock. a slight shower of rain which makes vegetation look very much refreshed. Margaret is some better. Ham & I went to Ethiopion Serenade and a rich affair it was. got home 1/2 past 9 O'clock folks had gone to bed.

May 9 Clear & quite warm. got up late after breakfast took "Old Kate" & Jenny Lind out to farm come home before noon. looped around the Forker House until toward evening. went out and brot the cow back left the calf out there. Found Anne & Margaret getting supper. cloudy & cool with a very little rain and prospects for more. spent some time up town came home & went to Bed early.

May 10 Cloudy & cool possibly a very little rain last night. Margaret still poorly rested but little through the night I am ailing also having had a slight turn of Diarea was up several times during the night. Anne Wilson is getting breakfast for us Margaret being too unwell to assist her. Wm Smith came this morning to learn the Blacksmithing business he is to 37 years. went to John Hilliards to get a yoke of 2 Oxen but cannot get them until tomorrow. worked some in shop. Went up to American House to see Hannah Cline to get her to work for us. she will give me an answer tomorrow. Margaret is still weak and

miserable. Anne, Kind soul is still administering to her wants. Father Hise is very poorly to Day.

May 11 Cloudy with some indications of rain. got up early and Bought beef. after breakfast went to John Hilliards after his Oxen but Did not get them. he is too much behind with his work to spare them. Started Down to Wm Reys for his met him on the way and learned that his was already hired out to McCracken. Hilliard saw I was returning without them & took compassion on me and came across the field that he might meet me before I passed his farm and told me that on the morrow I should have a yoke of his at all hazards. it was very kind of him & I feel grateful accordingly. came home and worked some in shop. at the appointed hour went to Depot to meet our Friend Mrs Mary Anne Johnson. on the arrival of the cars I had the Satisfaction of greeting and welcoming her to our home. we both came up in Fredericks Hack. spent a pleasant afternoon & evening with her talking over the reminiscences of the past. Ben Jones took supper & spent the evening with us. we retired a little early on the account of Fatigue. (rained all the afternoon.

May 12 Cloudy & wet with prospects of more rain quite cool & Disagreeable. Anne & Margaret are both up and stirring about. after breakfast went out to the farm and plowed until noon. came home and got Wm Smith to go out in my place. spent some time at the Depot waiting for my paper & Tar it came at 1/2 past 8 O'clock. turned in immediately and got every thing ready and want to commence in the morning to put the roof on American House. Margaret & Mary Anne Johnson are Both Down at Joel McMillans. cleared off and looks like the rain was over.

May 13 Clear & pleasant. got up early and heat up my pitch and commenced my roof. called on Tom French and engaged him to take Mary Anne Johnson to Depot but they neglected to Do so so consequently she is here yet and is now Ironing some clothes. she was very much Disappointed at the moment but soon got over it and is now perfectly composed. got my roof almost Done. Man Killed on the rail road by a hand car between here and Alliance. looks a little like rain to night lets go to bed.

May 14 Cloudy & wet. got up at Day break found it raining. bought 7 lb of good beef steak. too wet to finish my roof. collected 27.66 of Albert Dunlap for John Gordon. went with Mary Anne Johnson to Depot went in French's hack. she went from here to Canton. finished Barnabys wheelbarrow. rained hard this afternoon not got our corn ground plowed yet. Margaret is now quite well and I am enjoying life well. cloudy stillat Dark rained hard at 8 O'clock at which time we went to bed.

May 15 Wet, rained most of the night. got up very late is still cloudy & looks like having more rain. painted my wheelbarrow. got Wm Kirtland to haul a load of sheeting boards from Holloways Mill. rimed one of my wagon wheels. Drisselled rain through the Day. in the evening went Down to Simeon Jennings to get my money (45 Dollars) but cannot get it until monday morning.

May 16 Still cloudy with prospects of rain. got up very late called on my friends up town. in the afternoon went out to see Father Hise. he is still poorly with Dropsey. a good many called to see him through the Day. in the evening I wrote a letter to Oliver Johnson of Philadelphia. went late to bed.

May 17 Cloudy with some rain & thunder through the night. got up in good time must meet Jennings at Woodruffs at 8 O'clock. met him according to appointment & he gave me a check on the Bank for forty five Dollars. worked some for R R Co. in the afternoon went and finished Pitching roof on American House. Hannah Cline commenced working for us to Day. we are to give her one Dollar per week. cold going to be a stiff frost to night. the Boys finished breaking up our corn ground. Anne Wilson took Supper with us. John Goulbourn is here while I write. have not heard from Father Hise to Day.

May 18 Clear & cool with considerable frost last night. rimmed one of my wagon wheels. worked some for R R Co. Wm Kirtland hauled out our manure on the corn ground. John Gordon paid me 24 Dollars & 42 cents. I paid him 10 Dollars for 50 bushels of oats. sold Ebenezer Fogg a nut wrench for 50 cents. clear all Day & cool at 9 O'clock P M. Elizabeth Dickinson took supper with us.

May 19 Clear & Delightful. got up early and finished my wagon wheels. after breakfast went out to see Father Hise. he is quite poorly has to keep his head ____. John Hise came in with me brought Butter to sell. commenced a wheelbarrow for Wm Pidgeon but feel so Dull I cannot Do much to Day. Clouded up about ten O'clock and rained a little looks some like raining at 12 M. Pidgeon commenced Moulding brick to Day for the first this spring. rained most of the afternoon & hailed some. is Dark and cloudy at 9 O'clock. Ben Jones read us a letter from Livinia she was at Alton Ill this 9 inst.

May 20 Cloudy got up late. Hamilton went over among the Callahans to Buy some seed Potatoes found 2 or three Bushels going after them in the morning. I lost all the afternoon in waiting for Zadok Street but Did not settle with him. came Down home & found Mary Bennett here waiting for some one of us to home. Margaret had gone out to see Father Hise. Hannah went up town. after she (Mary) had tied up some of her clothes she & I went up town to look at some furniture her Husband had Bought. she Bought a pair of Shears & a nice pitcher. I went part way home with her met Margaret in the edge of town. Father Hise is no better. returned and went and made a Settlement with Ben Hilmon & Zadok Street. gave the latter my Due Bill for $602 & some cents. Ben Hilmon signed over his article of agreement between him and Z Street & B B Davis to me so that am now justly entitled to a Deed for that portion of land sold to Hilman by the said Street & Davis. had a long chat with martha Hilman on Spiritual Rappings. she accounts for them on scientiffic principles. I cannot account for them at all yet. returned home about 10 O'clock found all hands playing speculation. I took a hand but soon got tired and will now go to bed. I came near forgetting to say that I had bought a pair of Patent steel snuffers cost 75 cents.

May 21 Clear & pleasant with scarcely any frost. the Old Dutch rule proved a failure we

had a heavy fog the 21st of Feb but no frost the 21st of May (or next to none). got up early & bought beef. went to bed again layed late. Hamilton got a Horse out of livery stable & went after potatoes returned before noon. Bought 3 1/2 bushels gave 1.87 1/2 for the lot. worked some in shop. a little cloudy to night. Father Hise is no better. got my seed corn & want to plant it tomorrow.

May 22 Some indications of rain. spaded garden until breakfast then all hands went out and planted our corn. got Done at 2 O'clock in five minutes after it commenced raining and kept on all Day. Payed Sam Elton 7 Dollars that I owed him for Stone vinegar & work. Ham Went fishing & caught none. Father Hise very poorly. spent some time up town. Ben Jones took supper with us after which Hannah and I played a few games of Ukre before retiring.

May 23 Cloudy & wet with some rain through the night. got up late after breakfast went to Joel McMillans & showed them how to paper. stoped at Father Hises he was quite poorly through the night. cleared up some through the Day. returned about 2 O'clock found Anne Wilson here enjoying herself well. how I like to have her.

May 24 Cloudy & wet with some fog. got up rather late & feel Dull. went to work on rail road made joints in iron pipe. cleared off and is now (at Dusk very pleasant. Wm Kirtland called Down to know what to Do tomorrow. he has so much to Do that he Does not know what to first. I advised him what I could and now I will go to bed.

May 25 Clear & pleasant. got up early & went for Beef but not much there and so much Demand for it I got but little. shall wait until it is plentier before going again. went out to see Father Hise he is failing veryfast. Does not expect to live more than two or three weeks at farthest. the parting will be hard but it must come & I will bear it with what fortitude I can muster. Margaret Started to Masilon on the Cars to attend the Womans Rights Convention. I am still engaged laying in iron Pipe. played a few games of ukre with Hannah but soon got Sleepy & retired.

May 26 Cloudy but very pleasant. got up early & walked out to See Father Hise he is quite Bad. has a hard time to get along cannot Sleep any of any account. Wm Hise was Down from Canfield to see him stayed with him all night last night. must go to R Road again to Day. finished laying pipe & turned the water in at noon. commenced running into the Tank in three hours after. rained this afternoon. going out to see Father Hise to night.

May 27 Dull & wet. rained some through the night. Father rested very poorly, poor Man he suffers very much staid all night with him came home through the rain is raining yet at 7 O'clock. Sam Sharpnack Aunt Mary Howel & Betsy Phillips were all there. Slept some this forenoon & worked at the wood shop of my wagon. my heart is now glad caused by the unexpected return of Margaret from Massilon. she was not well satisfied with the hospitality she received. Mr & Mrs Bowen returned with her. rained but little this afternoon. took a walk up town but went early to bed.

May 28 Clear & pleasant with very heavy Dew. got up early & Margaret & I went out to see Father Hise. he is no better we reurned before six O'clock. worked at my wagon until noon then went and finished gravelling the American House. Ike Taylor spent the evening with us, agreeable to all hands. went to bed at ten O'clock.

May 29 Clear & warm. got up at Day light & went out to see Father Hise. he is very Bad, rested less last night than usual. examined my corn and found it rotten sett Wm to replanting it. made a stop for turn table for R R Co. worked the ballance of the Day on my wagon. washed & shaved before night. Margaret & Sis went out to see Father Hise. Hannah & I went up to post office, she got a letter from Marlboro. met with Anne Wilson, took a walk with her to meet margaret. the evening air was so Delightful it was hard to resist the temptation to strol round. we went to bed before nine O'clock.

May 30 Clear & a little cool. had a hard rain last night accompanied with strong wind from north west. we are all going out to see Father Hise he is getting very bad. found him much better than usual. fifty persons called to see him to Day. came home at 1 1/2 O'clock. Tom Wilson & wife came and took Diner with us, spent a pleasant afternoon with them. at sundown went out to see Father Hise he is still better. went to bed early.

May 31 Clear & warm. got up early & made a wagon tongue before breakfast. want to plant Potatoes to Day. have not heard from Father yet this morning. planted our potatoes got Done before night. brought a load of wood home for our neighbor. commenced a crane for water tank. Ben Jones Drinked coffee with us. Anne Wilson called Down a few minutes. stuck our peas & various other matters too tedious to mention. lets go to bed. Wm Forker started to California by way of N York.

Jun 1 Clear & Delightfully warm. got up early & worked for R R Co. Bought a small piece of beef. completed and put up the crane at R R water tank. Abraham Woodruff Son of David & Elizabeth Woodruff Died with Consumption at 2 O'clock. Old Mrs Hannah Griffith Died with Cancer in her breast at 7 O'clock A M. Clouded up and rained a little at 5 O'clock. Jacob Ambler & Mary Ann Steel is to be Married to night. Margaret & I went out to see Father Hise he is much better.

Jun 2 Clear & very pleasant. got up early & worked for R R Co. paid Ben Hawley for my lot east of our House. Bought it in Feb 1848 for one Hundred & thirty five Dollars. since then the interest has amounted to 37 Dollars. he still owed me 178 Dollars gave me a check on Farmers bank of Salem. I presented it and took a certificate of Deposit for 150 Dollars. the Ballance he paid me in money and an order on John Hise. finished laying pipe for R R Water Tank. paid Hill Tolerton 2 Dollars. George Allison started his new engine it works well. very warm to night and looks like rain. John Goulbourn has just called in. Margaret & Hannah are both out washing Dishes. I am now going to bed.

Jun 3 Cloudy & some indications of rain. got up early and went out to see Father Hise. he is not quite as well as he was yesterday but is still better than he was a week ago.

attended the funeral of Abraham Woodruff. rained uncommon hard about 11 O'clock. after it slaked raining the procession started but soon commenced falling again & continued until we got back from the Burying ground. I went Down to the Depot saw Tom Webb of Philadelphia. I always felt an interest in him. he is the first Male person born in Salem. commenced some gates for R R Co. sold some of my Brick the first that I sold. spent the evening up town.

Jun 4 Cloudy & cool. got up late but no matter I can time myself yet. before night made wood work of cultivator for Tom Wilson. Borrowed 30 Dollars of Zed Street to send to Howard of Pittsburgh. cleared off nice is rather cold to be pleasant. walked out to see Father Hise he is some better. David & Elizabeth Woodruff was out to see him we all came in together. covered our garden truck & went to bed.

Jun 5 Clear & pleasant with some frost last night. repaired Tom Chessmans Roof. took my tools to Henry Amblers going to put on a small Roof for him. gave John Hise a certificate of Deposit for one Hundred and fifty Dollars got a Deed for the Ball portion of my farm. finished mycultivator & Done some work for R R Co. Replanted our corn in small lot. am tired at 6 O'clock. Ganette Williams is here. spent the evening up town. was so cool as to make this fine & comfortable quarter.

Jun 6 Some cloudy & cool. took Breakfast with Mother Goulbourn. went Down R Road to see the canal thats cutting through Antrims land. came back by Father Hises he is a little better this morning. got home 1/2 past 9 O'clock. Margaret was Just starting away with Carriage & "Old Mike". she & Harriet Dickinson are going out to Sharpnacks. I must meet the Executive Committee at 11 O'clock. met and Done up considerable business after which I walked out to Sharpnacks but they were away from Home. went on up to I F Dickinsons found her there. we soon sat Down to supper after which we came home arrived about sundown. cool enough to have fire. went early to bed.

Jun 7 Cloudy & wet with some rain through the night & some little this morning but the weather is warm and vegetation is growing rank particularly grass which is very forwards. sold some Brick. Tom Wilson sent for his cultivator gave me a five Dollar Bill for it. in the evening walked out to see Father Hise he is getting worse. John Hise came to town with me. I got David Woodruff to send to pitt for some iron for me.

Jun 8 Cloudy & warm. got up early & bought 7 lb of good beef came back went to bed again but slept little. I feel stupified in consequence. sold some brick. Hired David Cunningham to help Wm Kirtland to saw of some logs for plank. rained hard at 2 O'clock. I called in to see Sarah McMillan during the shower. Bought a Barrel of flour cost 3.25. worked in shop most of the Day. rained some since Sundown. to sleepy to write.

Jun 9 Clear & cool with heavy rain last night. went to Father Hises he is no better. worked out logs for the men to saw. clouded up and rained some before noon. Bought Ham an excellent leather apron. cool enough to sit comfortable by a good fire. rained most of the afternoon. hung the Door to Bank vault. still cool & cloudy no prospect for

corn yet. Eliza Fawcett Jehu Fawcetts Daughter was buried yesterday she Died with consumption. Ham is stroking the cat gut as usual.

Jun 10 Cloudy & Damned cold we have fire in both stoves & then are chilly. hog got in yesterday & rooted up all our corn, but little loss as the weather is so wet & cold that it cannot grow. I shall continue to replant until the first of July. in case of failure will then sow turnips. worked in shop made a waggon tongue & hounds for Jo Saxon. this afternoon was down to see Tom Sharp & get his log cart want to haul logs tomorrow get Hilliards Oxen. cold yet so much so that fire is indispensible. Margaret has gone up to attend a Spiritual Circle I expect to meet her after awhile. Ham is busy scraping cat gut at my elbow. walked round town until 9 O'clock then met Margaret at Doc Pearsons. came home at 1/2 past 9 found all well, went to bed.

Jun 11 Clear & looks like being fair. corn is scarcely up a large amount that is not up yet we must have a short crop. after breakfast went out to the farm helped Wm Kintton haul one log to Mill got along well. made wood work of shovel plow & hooped our wagon wheels. repaired the Door to Bank Vault. cool at sundown. the Superviser (Old Mr Grimesey) is opening Commerce Street to Day. Father Hise is some better. (yesterday I agreed to make Jo Saxon a light wagon for fifty Dollars to take my pay in Poplar Boards at one Dollar per hundred at Meads Mill except one load he is to haul in. Caroline Grissell called in to spend an idle hour and chat a little. took a stroll round town after supper was Down to Depot to see the improvements. retired at 9 O'clock.

Jun 12 Clear & warm very heavy Dew. got up early & went out to See Father he is much better. Wm Smith has gone up to John Chisholms after steel for plow shares. two strangers who say they hail from Buffalo N Y and represent themselves to be out of money is now taking breakfast. I scutinised them pretty closely before I gave them breakfast and concluded from their honest looking faces that they were not Deceiving me. we are all liable to the misfortune of being caught "out of money" in which case God knows our friends are few and far between. I will always share with the Destitute of what ever color or clime --- harrowed & struck cut my corn ground going to plant it all over again. made myself a cultivator & am now tired and going to bed. looks a little like rain at Dark. Darius Phillips Died of cholic.

Jun 13 Cloudy & clear at intervals. got up early. Margaret Hannah & I took a walk Down Commerce St to Depot. returned and found David Cunningham waitingfor us he is going with me to Tom Meads Saw mill to stick up boards. am now waiting for Wm Smith to come with "Old Mike". started at 8 O'clock A M stuck up 5,000 feet of good poplar boards. took Diner with Jo Saxon. brot home boards enough to make my wagon bed. Ganette took supper with us & is going to stay all night. looks like rain at Dark. Ben Hawley called in a few minutes. Darius Phillips was buried at 5 O'clock. Father Hise is worse to Day. I fear from the Density of the atmosphere he is hard sett to breathe.

Jun 14 Cloudy & very warm. got up early went up town to look round before breakfast after which I took my shovel plow & Old Mike out to the farm. sett Wm To work in corn

(or where the corn ought to be. worked in Shop most of the Day. borrowed five Dollars of E Greiner & paid it to Mr Whitton for coal. replanted my corn in adjoining lot. cleared off & was very hot since 10 O'clock A M. went John Hises ____ for 19.46 to Uriah Wilson.

Jun 15 Clear. got up at 3 O'clock bought some beef & got Horse out of Livery stable & went out to Albany & bought 2 shoats for which I paid five Dollars. got back a little after sun rise. got Jo Ball Old ____ plough our corn got back at noon. in the afternoon made a sett of cultivator teeth for John Sattenthwait. spent some time up town. rained hard a few roads east of us but left our road opposite perfectly Dry. finished planting my corn got the seed of John White. went up town in the evening to meet Margaret at Doc Pearsons. got home at 1/2 past 9 and went Directly to bed. Philip Evans married his Cousin out of meeting any amount of gossip about it. he must be Disowned but he will be none the worse of that. he is a clever man.

Jun 16 Clear & pleasant. got up rather late. a very heavy Dew but no rain last night. commenced the wood work of Jo Saxons waggon. John Sattenthwait came paid for and took away his cultivator teeth. walked out to see Father Hise. found his sister Charity Phillips of Michigan with her son Theodore had come in to see him. the latter lives in the City of Detroit the former 28 miles in the country. they left Detroit last night and arrived here at 1/2 past 2 O'clock. took a walk over our farm & returned. very warm & Sultry to night. Father will have a hard time of it.

Jun 17 Cloudy with prospects of rain. Cousin Theodore is here for Diner, is not right well. made a cultivator for Nicholas Hogate. rained considerable this afternoon. Charles Hoiles of Illinois called Down to see us a few minutes. he is on his way East for good. sent Wm Smith to help John Schooley raise his Barn. went to bed at 9 O'clock. Hannah went to stay all night with Lydia Ann Webb.

Jun 18 Cloudy & wet. got up early & bought 7 lb beef & got Mutton. corn will grow fast to Day. took a notion to Build up town. went & saw a Brick layuer & ascertained how many Brick it would take. I want to commence it soon. Aunt Charity & Cousin Theodore came to visit. the latter & I walked round most of the afternoon. counted out one thousand Brick for Simeon Webb. spent part of the evening up town & the Ballance at home playing ukre with Sister Elizabeth, she got 6 games to my 5. we quit & retired at 1/2 past 9 O'clock.

Jun 19 Cloudy with very heavy Dew. counted out one thousand Paving Brick for market house. went to work on commerce Street until noon. rained hard at 1 O'clock. I Did not go back spent the afternoon up town. Croft Coast arrived in Town at 2 O'clock he lives in Munroe Mich. Nick Hogate got his cultivator paid me five Dollars for it. Rachel hise is here at 4 O'clock & is going to stay all night. spent some of the evening up town listening to the violin. came home a little after 9 O'clock & went immediately to bed.

Jun 20 Clear & coolish. got up late after breakfast. I started & went to Egypt our

potatoes look well. came home past Holloways mill to see my lumber have a fine lot of it. took Diner at Jesse with Aunt Charity & son after which we all went out to Father Hises. he seems better. Margaret & I went Down to joel McMillans and such a feast of Strawberries & cream I never sat Down to before. came home about Dark found all right am now ready to go to bed.

Jun 21 Clear & pleasant. spent most of the Day in looking for Money for John Hise. Sold lot Nr 6 Kidds Addition on Main St to Don Crumrine for 850 Dollars. he paid me fifty Dollars Down is to pay 3 hundred on the first of Oct next & five hundred in one year from Oct next with interest from same time. I would much rather have kept it but I had offered it to him and I would not Back out. counted out 15 hundred Brick. Margaret went up to Canfield Aunt Charity & Theodore & several others of our family accompanied her. "Old Mike" stood the blunt but he was able to get back about Dark. had a pleasant visit went to bed early & slept Sound.

Jun 22 Cloudy but very pleasant. got up early & mended a crobar took it Down to Depot. Bought some poor beef. the 6 1/2 bell is ringing and Margaret is yet in bed. Margaret & her company have gone to Sharpnacks to Day. I am engaged putting on gravel roof for H Ambler. got it finished & he paid me 19 Dollars. Margaret & Sis got back at Dark. Sold some brick to Day.

Jun 23 Cloudy & some indications of rain. making wood work of Jo Saxons wagon. Wm Fawcett Paid me for 23 perch of stone. presented my account to R R Co for payment. Ambler paid me the Ballance for his roof. I paid Sam Flitcraft 1 Dollar the Ballance I owe him on those pigs I bought of him a few Days ago. walked out to see Father Hise he is still very bad. got back at 9 O'clock. found a Mrs. Emmons & her two children here she is Hannahs oldest sister & is going to stay all night. Hannah & I took a game of Whist but I must retire.

Jun 24 Clear & cool, too cool for cotton clothing. put on my winter pants and find them comfortable. spent the most of the Day in trying to get my money from the R R Co but Did not succeed. Borrowed one Hundred Dollars of Joel McMillan & one Hundred and fifty Dollars of of Michael J Crumrine for John Hise agreed to pay him 8 percent and keep it one year. went out & took supper with Mother Hise & Aunt Charity Phillips. she is going home tomorrow. David called at sundown. we have to keep a good fire in the stove. I look for a good frost to noght. Father Hise is very bad - lets go to bed.

Jun 25 Clear & cold & windy blowed cold all night. made a cultivator & borrowed one Hundred Dollars of Wm Fawcett to pay John Hise. Aunt Charity & Theodore started home to Day went out on the Lightning train. John W Thomas castrated my ground hog. house is still quite cool fire is comfortable. Done considerable work for R R Co.

Jun 26 Clear & warm. made 2 shovel plows. Paid John Hise 400.00 which was 15 more than I owed him. went his security to Rinear Swaim for $125 Dollars being 80 per cent interest. Borrowed 25 Dollars of John McCalla. got in 2.00 for work. went out since

Dark to see father Hise he is poorly. Sam Sharpnack is there to night. John Hise started to Indiana to make a payment on his farm. warm & pleasant to night looks some like rain.

Jun 27 Cloudy & pleasant. spent the Day in idleness Done nothing except to paint 3 cultivators. called on Anne Wilson and sat awhile. came home & from there went to see Father Hise he is very Bad. returned again in the evening and intend staying with him all night.

Jun 28 Clear & coolish with no rain all signs of rain vanished. left Father asleep he rested pretty well last night. got home before any of our folks were out of Bed. worked at the wood work of Jo Saxons wagon. sold Ebenezer Fogg a shovel plow for 4.00 cash. Bought a scythe Snathe. sold Archibald Woods 7,000 Brick he took away 4,000 to Day he is hard to please.

Jun 29 Cloudy at Day light but David Cunningham & I went out to farm & mowed our clover. cleared off & sun shone very hot got almighty tired. went to post office found 2 letters there one from Cousin Theodore Phillip the other from Oliver Johnson. went early to bed.

Jun 30 Cloudy & very pleasant. had a good nights rest feel refreshed but somewhat sore & stiffened by my Days mowing. my hands are blistered & some. worked considerable for R R Co. commenced a pair of Shelvings for my haywagon. rained uncommon hard at 4 O'clock. Tom Long Hugh Boones Soninlaw got his leg cut off by the Locomotive to the gravel train passing over it below the knee. he was attempting to get on and missed his footing & dropped under the wheel. Bought 9 lb of cast steel of Zadok Street paid him for it at 20 cents per pound. Tom Long is Dead Died at Sun down. wrote a letter to Jas Howard of Pittsburg.

Jul 1 Cloudy & wet. got up erly & went to Depot to repair our gravel cars. went with John Deming to see Mother Hise colt he Did not buy it. rained all the time we were gone. very hard showers at 1/2 past twelve. Aunty Evans is here to Diner. Hannah is Jogging my memory about a Bosom pin she wants. rained excessively hard the water has not been so high here at the Factory since 1839 if then, the stone arch would not let all of it through. a second shower at 4 O'clock raised the water much higher, the water was within one inch of running inat the windows of the wool House on the corner. George Weavers house was 4 inches Deep on the first floor. Frenchs Dam went the first shower. the water Damaged Wm Pidgeon some Hundred Dollars or more by washing Down a kiln of Brick containing fifty thousand. I expect a vast amount of Damage has been Done in the way of flooding meadows & breaking away fences etc etc. was shown a piece of the best Dentistry Done by John Whinnery ever Done in Salem. the gums were formed onto the teeth in such a manner as to compete successfully with the Old Dame herself. them that would not get teeth must gum it forever & ever amen. let us go to Bed.

Jul 2 Cleared off cool through the Day the rain appears to be over for the present. made a hay fork for Job Warren made him one about this time last year. worked some at my

hay shelvings. Bought Hannah a Breast Pin gave 2 Dollars & 37 cents for it. The Templars on Social Degree or some such Denomination of People had a Festival here to Day they had a good turn out. attended by a Band of Music from Hanoverton. Hannah has gone over to stay with Mary Beaumont to night. Tom Long was Buried to Day in Baptist graveyard.

Jul 3 Clear & warm. first rate hay Day. worked in shop all Day. Anne Wilson took supper with us. The Templars had a Dance in the grove this morning. Margaret Bought Uncle Toms Cabin gave 150 cents for it. Hannah is up town this evening. went to bed early.

Jul 4 Clear & pleasant. raked & cocked up my hay got Done about 3 O'clock. want to haul it in tomorrow. spent the Ballance of the Day about Home. in the evening Margaret Hannah & I went up to the swing a little spell found it Did not pay & came home again at which time I recorded the facts above so mote it be -----. wrote a short letter to G T Phillips of Detroit, Michigan.

Jul 5 Clear & warm. hauled in 8 large loads of hay. pitched all on and off myself. Bought a new pitch fork gave 25 cents for it at Streets. tired and must go to bed.

Jul 6 Clear and very warm. got up before Day & went for beef. took Kate out to Jo Balls got back before breakfast to tired to work much to Day. got a letter from one of our cousins in Michigan. Edward Bonsall paid me 8.75. Bought 18 yards of stuff for partitions. Paid Andrew Mineo 3 Dollars. Bought us a new rasp and a gross of Buttons for 10 cents.

Jul 7 Clear & warm. got up late was up late last night. had 3 Spritual Mediums here formed a circle and got any amount of Manifestations from Ellen Rose Emma Vickers etc etc the latter kept time to the tune of old Dan Tucker. E A Dickinson, Mrs Pearson & her Brother William with Isaac & Jane Trescott formed the first circle. the 2 latter were the principal Mediums. I want to investigate the subject until I trace it to its source if Possible. hung my new grindstone and it is complete. ground up our scythe ready for mowing. sent Job Warners hay fork to Cleveland by R Road. hooped Jo Saxons wagon wheels in the evening. Hannah Sis & I went up to Judge Spencers and took each a Dish of ice cream was very fine cost 3 shillings. went to bed at 1/2 past 9.

Jul 8 Clear & warm. took a walk with Margret we went Down to the Depot. Bought fifty cents worth of good beef. we all went out to the farm & mowed the Ballance of our clover & took one load in. Father Hise is some worse. I suppose he will weigh three Hundred. looks a little like raining to night. the sun shown excessively hot all Day. we well nigh melted while mowing. I am tired and shall soon go to bed.

Jul 9 Cler & warm. got up early & worked for R R Co. made myself another scythe sneath natural turn. rained hard at 2 O'clock we got our hay wet wind blowed very hard. considerable was Destroyed in consequence. hauled out Boards to build a waggon Shed.

very warm at 9 O'clock & looks like having more rain. Anne Wilson took supper with us. went to P Office but found it shut. Doc Cary is moving into the American House having traded for it. so warm I shall go to bed & try to sleep.

Jul 10 Clear & warm. got up early & Margaret & I took a walk. went up on Chessmans Gravel Roof had a fine view of Town. Aunty Evenes in a fit of Derangement got up before Day & went out to Frank Bentleys where she was found in the run being on her Back but the water was not Deep enough to cover her face. finished hauling inour hay. John Hise returned this afternoon.

Jul 11 Clear & cloudy at intervals. got up early Margaret Hannah & I took a pleasant walk. spent a good portion of the Day at Fawcetts investigating the Spiritual Rappings but did not come to any conclusion certain. had some very Satisfactory answers to questions answered. looks much like raining at 5 O'clock. I smell supper and am Damed glad of it am hungry. after supper took a nap that extended into the night some hours.

Jul 12 Clear & beautiful. got up early & took a walk with Margaret. after breakfast went with Albert Dunlap to hunt a hickory pole got Back a little before noon. went to sharps foundry on Business connected with putting on their gravel Roof. went to Depot & got John Sheets to haul out my pitch ready for the roof. Settled with R R Co and Drawed $283.35 3/4 the amount of my account up to July first 1852. Deposited 200.00 in Bank. paid Joel McMillan one hundred that I Borrowed of him for John Hise gave him a certificate of Deposit. have one on hand for Wm F Fawcett that I shall give him the first time I see him. shall go early to bed.

Jul 13 Cloudy & cool looks like for rain. got up early put a Draw Bond on Mr Hamlins pump. he paid me fifty cents for it. paid John McCalla 25 Dollars of Borrowed money. have the Rheumatism in my left shoulder which hurts me considerably. loaded 375 Brick for Joel Sharp & Co. rained all the afternoon & when I write at 7 O'clock is still raining. Ganeette Williams is here to Supper. Hannah is up town and will most likely stay up all night as the rain will prevent her coming home. made 2 large Drivers for George Allison. J Ball brought me 2 loads of good Hay.

Jul 14 Some cloudy. was out to Fathers all night they sent for me supposing Father would not live until morning but he Did and slept some he suffers very much. Cousin Sarah Bondfield and her Husband was there. cleared off nice and is an excellent hay Day. the Boys commenced cutting Mothers grass. put some more gravel on the School House roof. ground & hung our scythes going to mow tomorrow. had some manifestations said to come from the Spirit world But I Doubt it very much. went late to bed. Anne Wilson is going to stay with us all night.

Jul 15 Clear & pleasant. got up at the first Dawn of Day & Bought 72 cents worth of Beef. all of us went out to Father Hise and cut the Ballance of their grass. hauled in 7 loads of excellent Hay. Father is very bad. a little cloudy but Does not look much like rain. the plank road was finished to the corner yesterday - -. some tired and must go to

bed. want to finish getting our hay in tomorrow.

Jul 16 Some cloudy but cool will not rain to Day. Ham went to Wm Fawcetts to make wheat. got up since the sun and feel rather Old. Harvesting sits hard on me. finished Hauling in our hay. had 24 large loads altogether. made Father Hise a chair large enough for him to sit in & feel comfortable. Margaret Sis & I were out there until after Dark. they rode in on the hand Car. found the House full of young ladies getting communications from the spirit world among them C Dickinson. I accompanied her home.

Jul 17 Cloudy & looks very much like raining think it will before night. Bought a bottle of mineral water took it out to Father Hise. he like it very much but poor man he suffers most excruciating pain all the time. he cannot survive much longer unless he gets some relief. helping the Democrats prepare their pole. worked hard all Day but Did not put it up have not mechanical power sufficient. postponed the raising until Monday 10 O'clock. cleared off without raining. E Dickinson is here this evening is going to stay all night. Ham has got home stood harvesting well.

Jul 18 Clear & most Delightfully pleasant. all up in good time. E Dickinson is reading Unkle Tom at my elbow. I have just finished churning. Hannah Margaret Sis are all employed in Baking & getting breakfast. we all contemplate going Raspberrying with "Old Mike" & the carriage. Ham had just got up at 1/4 past 6 O'clock A M. How Delightful it is to stroll etc. went for berries but got none. we however had a pleasant time of it. took Diner in the woods and went Down under Jo Balls Sawmill & got a good Drink of water. on our return we went out to Father Hises. he is so bad we shall stay with him most of the time.

Jul 19 Clear & warm quite cool all last night. sat up with Father. he rested comparitively easy but cannot bear to be moved. word has just come that he is worse I must go out. found him Dieing. sent word to Wm Hise & Tom Sharpnack but too late. Father Died at eleven O'clock comparatively easy after suffering so long. I have the tumbler that he supped the last Drop of water out of. I held it to his lips myself. John FlitcraftJohn Sheets & Archibald Woods Dressed and laid him out. they were the men he had himself selected for that express purpose. wrote a letter to Aunt Charity Phillips(Fathers Sister) and one to T T Phillips Both of Michigan afte which we all went to bed.

Jul 20 Clear & warm. got up at 1/2 past 2 A M and went for Beef came Back and went to bed & slept until after Sun up. Mailed my letters. bought Margaret & Sis each a fan. very warm at noon. at 2 O'clock we all went out to attend the funeral of Father which took place at 5 O'clock. a large concourse of Friends assembled to accompany his mortal remains to their final resting place. Mr Phillips preached a short Discourse on the occasion. his coffin and grave were both very nice. Archibald Woods superintended the funeral and gave entire satisfaction. Jones & Lewis made the coffin used their new Hearse for the first time. "Old Mike" hauled him at my particular request. feel weary & must retire.

Jul 21 Clear & warm. Done some work for R R Co. mowed some of our grass & hauled in what was Dry. collected some money & Bought Butter Mackeral Rice & Sugar. Ben Jones Drank Coffee with us this Evening. Lydia Ann Webb Called to get Hannah to go and Stay all night with Sis. gave her a cat to take home with her. went to bed early.

Jul 22 Some cloudy with wind in North West no rain to Day. Hamilton is cradling my wheat. I am moving my Brick yard lot. the grass is so much ____ that the mowing is Difficult. took a ride with Margaret Sis & Hannah got back about Dusk. some indications of rain. must get to bed early want to get beef in the morning and must get up before Day in order to get such as I want. Jonathon Stanley Died to Day. he is an old settler and has been sick a great while.

Jul 23 Clear & very warm. got all our hay in Dry. repaired our fountain. Mary Gee was here visiting. took a walk up town as I came Back met Margaret & Hannah. turned round and went Back with them. called in at Doc Pearsons a few minutes. came home at 9 O'clock.

Jul 24 Clear & Cool no sign of rain. got up early & took a walk. worked some in shop. very warm all Day. Hamilton & I took a walk Down to Depot. on our way back met Hannah at her request I turned back with her. after Doing some gossiping we both came home. went to bed early.

Jul 25 Cloudy & clear at intervals. got up early and Margaret & I went out to see Mother Hise. after taking breakfast with her we returned got ready & went to hear parson Phillips preach Fathers funeral Sermon. Did not consider it very consoling or even edifying. came Directly home and read several pages in Paines Age of Reason. first eat a bite then took a nap after which I took a stroll Down the R Road. got back in time for supper. Ben Jones took coffee with us. sat and talked until Dusk at which time it is quite cool. as I write E Dickinson has called in always glad to see her. we must get up the Spirits

Jul 26 Cloudy. got up late & weeded garden until Breakfast. worked some in shop and loaded Brick for Archibald Woods. Paid Andrew Mires for Hams Boots. Margaret is visiting at Doc Pearsons and has just returned. Sis has Just returned from Alfred Sheets she was Down with Mary Gee.

Jul 27 Clear & warm. repaired Jennings Buggy in the evening. took a walk up town after returning had a sitting and any amount of manifestations with the ____. went to bed late was quite cool all night.

Jul 28 Clear & warm. hauled in our wheat got Done at noon. worked some for R R Co and went Down R Road and got them to Bring up 2 car loads of gravel for foundry Roof. got back at sundown. went early to Bed.

Jul 29 Some cloudy with no Dew. took a job of work that I Done Down to Depot.

cleared off and is going to be very warm to Day. worked all Day for R R Co. rained some about noon. cloudy at 8 O'clock. Bought me a good manure fork. Paid Johns & Hannen 9.50 that I have owed them some time.

Jul 30 Cloudy & cool had a hard storm last night wind blowed very hard from west. continual lightning thunder & rain. we all got up to see the storm which was much the heaviest South of us. the sky for a short time looked a most beautiful. at intervals the moon would shine out bright which gave the clouds a sublime appearance entirely beyond my Powers of Description. worked in shop all Day got 2 Dollars & 25 cents in money besides some 2 Dollars of work charged. Abram Bonsall took Diner with us. Ben Jones took supper after which he & I went up town. received 2 letters one from Cousin Theodore Phillips of Detroit Mich the other from Brother Jacob of New Albany and E Dickinson & Ike Taylor spent the evening with us. Joseph Coffee Esq Died of Cholera at Cleveland on his return from Lundy Lane celebration. went to bed late.

Jul 31 Some cloudy & quite cool rained some through the night. Bought 7 1/2 lb of good beef Paid 52 cents for it returned & went again to Bed. slept until after sunup. commenced a harrow for Wm Rey. spent most of the Day up town. Bought some articles at Sam Frenchs sale. David Elliott Paid me 2.12 1/2 that owed me for repairing his wagon last winter. Bought a Box of Shaving soap for 25 cents. truman Case is here after his Carriage. cool enough to have fire. David Cunningham took Supper with us. Ham has come home. Truman Case has gone up to See Marius Robinson will be back by bedtime. Hannah has gone uptown. Truman and after a social chat we all went to bed.

Aug 1 Some cloudy but pleasant. got in good time considering it is Sunday morning. helped David Woodruff finish Trumans carriage. the later started home about 11 O'clock. went out to the farm & put up line fence and salted the colts. came back and found Mr & Mrs Bown here had a very pleasant from them. they started home at five O'clock at which time Margaret Mother Hannah & Ham all started out to Sam Sharpnacks. they are all upset with the Spirit rappings. Sis is out at the farm is going to Stay all night. I went up to Jesse Hises. he, Isaac Crumrine and Wife with myself got up the Demonstrations through the Stand. came home at a late hour found our folks had just returned. omited to say in the proper place that we had a slight Shower of rain to Day after which it was so cold we was forced to have fire to keep us warm. went to bed about midnight.

Aug 2 Partially clear and cold. got up rather late. Jesse Riggs is here and David Cunningham is coming to assist me in putting on gravel roof on Sharps Foundry. we got to work in good time. put on and graveled 8 1/2 squares. E Dickinson called Down a short time this Evening. went early to Bed. Hannah is out at Jesse Beesons.

Aug 3 Clear & cool. got up at 2 O'clock and Bought beef. went early to work. made a new map. wrote a letter to Jas Howard & Co for more paper & Tar. am not well having a severe pain my Bowels but worked steady all Day put on 28 squares of Roof which is the largest one I ever put on in one Day. Andy Silver paid me $4.80 cents. feel better to night shall go early to bed.

Aug 4 Cloudy with some indications of rain. worked at our roof all Day. finished with the exception of gravelling the large one. Sold Don Smith a shoulder of bacon for 261 cents. he paid me one Dollar and 47 cents on it owes me 1.14 cents still.

Aug 5 Partially clear. got up early had some rain last night. went to finish our roofs by noon. rained and consequently Did not get Done until toward night. E Dickinson is here spending the evening with us.

Aug 6 Cloudy & Foggy. got up early sent Bill out and got "Old Mike" took my new Buggy out to Coffees to trade for a Mare but could not. got Back at 1 O'clock. Hauled a load of gravel for Calvin Moores gravel Roof. Bought a bolt of muslin at Thomas & Greiners gave 3 Dollars for it. Two Strangers called in while we were eating Supper and requested us to get up the Spirit Rappings but we were all too tired and therefore Declined.

Aug 7 Clear & Pleasant. commenced repairing wheel for Nic Hogate But feel too unwell to Do much. spent most of the Day up town. counted out some Brick. took a short ride with Sis & Hannah. Betsy Ball widow of Old Thomas Ball Died yesterday of Old Age. went early to Bed.

Aug 8 Cloudy & commenced raining at 1/2 past 6 O'clock looks like being a rainy Day. worked most of the Day at small trunk for Margaret. Hamilton Margaret Hannah & Sis all went out to J F Dickinsons on a bust got Back about Dark. played a few games of Ukre with Hannah and then went to bed.

Aug 9 Cloudy & looks like rain. commenced Putting on Calvin Moores roof but ran out of paper and had to quit. rained about noon was wet most of the afternoon. traded my new Buggy to Wm Stewart for a young Mare is to give me ten Dollars to Boot. worked some in shop this afternoon. Ham is at home playing his violin. John Hise is towing his Boat out of the Canal. played some Ukre before retiring.

Aug 10 Dense Fogg. got up early Bought some Beef. Took "Old Mike" out to farm put him in first rate pasture. worked at a wheel all this forenoon. very pleasant at noon. Wm Stewart Brot his Mare that I traded for. he gave me his Due Bill for ten Dollars the Boot Money he is to give me. took her out to farm and compared her with my 2 year old they match well. Brot her and "Old Mike" Both Back. David Cunningham stayed here to night.

Aug 11 Clear & pleasant. got up early. got Antony Gonaway to Build us an oven he will be here tomorrow. I am engaged in hauling stone and sand (But ____ to ++++++). Sis goes along and Drives for me, she can Drive well. put in the Day preparing to build our oven.

Aug 12 Clear & warm. got up early bought beef. Hamilton is out cutting Down our

Oats. I am still fixing for the oven. gave Margaret three Dollars & she Bought herself a Dress. She is thirty one years Old Day. Ham got Done at 5 O'clock. went early to Bed.

Aug 13 Clear & coolish no sign of Rain. Anthony Gongway commenced my oven I tended some of the time. finished Calvin Moores Roof. hauled Sand etc. Old Mr Stone Died at 11 O'clock last night he Died of the same Disease that Father Hise Did. I heard of 4 Deaths to Day which is an unusual occurance for this neighborhood. attended a free Soil meeting but came home before it was out.

Aug 14 Clear. Anthony finished my Oven to Day. it is the best one I ever saw. he charged me 5 Dollars for his work. it cost me something like 20 Dollars. Bought Hannah a pair of shoes cost 1.37 cents. looks some like rain at Sunsett. Doc Snodgrass speaks here to night but I could not go to hear him. I have too much else on hand been put through rather hard this week. shall now go to bed.

Aug 15 Clear & warm got up early. helped Ham shew Sally he is going to ride her home. David & I went Down to Columbiana on the hand car. took Diner with John Icenhour. got Back in good time. Mr & Mrs Gordon were here an hour or two. E Dickinson called in a few minutes after which we went to Bed.

Aug 16 Cloudy & looks like rain. made a harrow for John Hunt. Mailed a letter to J F Hise at New Albany. Drew 2 hundred Dollars out of Bank for John Hise. he wants to start from Wellsville on Wednesday. Ben Jones & Anne Wilson took Supper with us. Ben spent the evening here.

Aug 17 Clear & warm. got up early & Bought some beef. hauled in our oats. worked our new mare she Done well. after we finished we hitched up our two year old colt it worked well. spent the evening at Doc Pearsons had a circle. a medium from Cleveland spoke beautifully. we all came home about 11 O'clock the medium stayed with us. the Farquar House was shut up.

Aug 18 Clear & warm with no sign of rain. got up early and repaired my fountain. worked at & finished my waggon Bed & repaired my harness. sold some lumber. obtained the use of Ben Hawleys woods to hold our Anti Slavery Anniversary in. Jo Fawcett paid me 8 Dollars for Job Warrens hay fork made some time ago. Bought some groceries. made our oven Door. took my Boots up to Trescotts to get half soled. Margaret is in bed & I am going.

Aug 19 Hasy with some indications of rain. baked in our new oven for the first time it Does well. commenced fencing in our Door yard. Parker Pillsbury arrived this afternoon he is well. Bought some groceries & 1 Dozen tumbles, a large cheese also. Abram Haines was married last night.

Aug 20 Clear. after Breakfast took my team & went to Holloways mill for plank for Seats. spent the Day in putting up seats for our meeting. several of our Friends arrived

through the course of the Day among whom was Oliver Johnson of Philadelphia the twin ____ of Randolph Rumsey Reeves and his Family from New Lime.

Aug 21 Some Cloudy to Day. our meeting commences at 10 O'clock at the hour we all convened in Hicksite meeting house which was filled quite full. had good speeches from Pillsbury & others. for a complete report of proceedings see the Anti Slavery Bugle.

Aug 22 Sundy. cloudy & wet rained more or less all Day which was a great Disadvantage to our meeting. Barker, H C Wright, Gouglass & Walker occupied the time principally. through the Day a large concourse of people assembled in the grove Belonging to ben Hawley.

Aug 23 Cleared off rain. meeting to Day was held in Meeting House. had a very good attendance all Day a lively interest was kept up. Douglass & Barcley Gilbert both made speeches in favor of our finances, raised a fund by Joint stock subscription of 5 Dollars per share. I took 2 shares payable annualy for five years. one hundred shares were subscribed besides pledges amounting to over one hundred Dollars. had a meeting in the evening at which Joseph Barker gave his views of the Bible which were as he believed and expressed no credit to the author of Said Book. came home late. most of our company went out on the cars at 2 O'clock.

Aug 24-25 Cloudy. Rumsey Reeves & family started home this morning & I must go Down to the R R Depot and move the Tank House. worked all Day some of the time in the rain. got it over before night & laid Down some of the cast iron pipe. went Down after supper and worked until 2 O'clock this morning the 25th which time came home and went to bed. was called up by A Woods to load some brick. after breakfast went back to Depot and finished up our job and then commenced a crane for water tank.

Aug 26 Clear & warm. finished & put up crane and helped Jack up engine house until noon. this afternoon made level & levers for R R Co. am tired. a block fell & struck my nose which bruised it considerable. Wm Forker Died of cholera in California whither he was impelled to go by the Perseverence of his Father.

Aug 27 Clearing off had some rain last night. Hamilton is ironing off the Levers and I am resting. Oliver returned from New Garden. we all went Down to Depot to see the cars come in at 1/2 past nine O'clock. they look grand.

Aug 28 Clear & cool with wind in Northwest. attended Edwin Holloways sale. Bought & cut ____ Cradle, bridles etc etc. got them cheap. Bought some beef Butter socks etc etc. Still cool at sunsett.

Aug 29 Clear & cool no frost but very near cold enough. Met John Bennett at the farm. made a bargain with him to farm on the shares. Margaret hannah Ham & Sis all went Down to Columbiana to attend an Anti Slavery meeting held by Parker Pillsbury he came home with them. I am glad of it he is always welcome. God bless him may he never Die.

after taking a few games of 7 up with him we retired.

Aug 30 Clear & cool. Blacksmithed some. heard J R Giddings make a free soil Speech in the Town Hall with his usual ability. this afternoon worked at my fence around my Door Yard. Jane E Jones & Benj called in a few minutes they are going to York state tomorrow. I sent a present to Ella in the shape of a small pump.

Aug 31 Clear & cool. got up early and bought some good beef. after Diner accompanied Parker Pillsbury to the Depot. he went from here to Marlborough expects to go to Michigan before returning. Ben & Livy started to see Ella. worked some at my fence and some at a Brand for O & P R R Co. Wm Hise and Mother was here on Business connected with the Death of Father Hise. was all Settled Satisfactory.

Sep 1 Clear & warm. Ham, Bill & I all worked on the road until noon which paid our road tax. paid David Woodruff 20 Dollars and left the like sum in his hands for Tom Sharpnack. Sold some Brick to a Mr Nold. finished Margarets trunk and am well pleased with it. it is not only nice but good. played a few games of Ukre with Hannah and went to Bed.

Sep 2 Clear & very warm. finished Brand for R R Co. Payed freight bill at R R $7.93. got 18 Dollars of Sim Webb. Josiah England was Buried to Day. Bought some manure etc etc. cloudy and is going to rain to night. Wm Rey Brought his large cart wheels up to get hooped. Bought a fine white fish for Breakfast.

Sep 3 Cleared off with very little rain. last night hooped the large wheels and made a good job. Oliver Johnson returned to Day. Margaret is shopping up town. She is preparing to go to Michigan. Allen Forker got a letter from his son Wm in California he has been sick but is some better.

Sep 4 Clear & cool got up early very heavy Dew no signs of rain. made a Harrow for Wm Rey. collected 17 Dollars of Simeon Webb. Done but little work this afternoon. to night we have high times. Hannah is Dressed in a suit of my clothes and Oliver Johnson in one of hers and while Ham is playing on the Violin they are Dancing and such a figure as they present I never before saw. I have laughed until I am exhausted.

Sep 5 Clear & warm. everybody is going to camp meeting. Ham & Hannah have gone. I have sat at home and took as much comfort as the best of them. Margret & I went out and took supper with Mother Hise. returned and found our folks all returned safe.

Sep 6 Clear & warm. ____ round all the forenoon getting ready to start to Michigan. at noon we are ready to start and are only awaiting the arrival of the cars to be off.

Sep 19 Copy of journal from the 6th inst. Left Salem at 2 O'clock arrived at Cleveland 1/2 past 5. went Directly on board the Splendid Steamer Forrest City. Took a State room for which we paid $6.00. she sailed for Detroit at which place we arrived at about 4

O'clock on tuesday the 7th. had a very pleasant passage. at Sun rise we took an Omnibus to the Waverly House a first class Hotel on Jefferson Avenue, went from there to G T Phillips. he had been looking for us at the wharf. we spent 24 hours very pleasantly with them. I spent most of the Day wandering about the City seeing what was to be seen and hearing what was to be heard and Wednesday we left at 8 O'clock for Wayne (on the cars) from thence we took hack to Northville a distance of 14 miles. we have took Diner and then left in a two horse Wagon for Unkle Joseph Phillips (3 miles west on the Base line). arrived at 3 O'clock found all well & apparently glad to see us. here we visited the Wolverines in that particular neighborhood. they are a generous open hearted people. we visited until Wednesday the 16th when we started home. took tea with Mrs T T Phillips after which we took passage on the Sam Ward for Cleveland. after leaving port about 3 hours the wind blew a good Breese which caused us to get very Sea sick. Margaret soon recovered but I was so sick all Day that I could scarcely crawl about. at 10 O'clock we went to the American House. after resting a few minutes we started up to the State fair which was going off. we paid fifty cents (25 cents each) entrance money and looked around as well as we could. saw a great variety of articles none of which will I stop to enumerate at present. after taking a ____ ticket we went to Depot but after waiting two or three hours we abandoned the Idea of coming home that night. by the solicitations of George Sheets we all went over into Ohio City and spent the night with Mr & Mrs Chubb and a most satisfactory and pleasant night we spent under their Hospitable Roof. after Breakfast we took a walk through the principle Streets and then repaired to the Depot. the cars were to leave at 1/2 past 9 O'clock. we took our Station among the crowd estimated at 10 thousand persons. after waiting until 2 O'clock the long looked for cars arrived. I threw Margaret in the moment they arrived and hustled in myself as soon as possible but too late to obtain a seat. the crowd rushed in at the windows and filled the Cars to overflowing in less than one minute. we got started at 3 O'clock P M and after tugging with 2 engines we arrived at Alliance about 8 or 9 O'clock and after a Detention of Several Hours we finally got started and arrived at Salem about Midnight. found all well and glad to see us safe returned. I had omited to say in the proper place that I brought with me 2 Malta Kittens which we prize very much they seem to be at home have played about the Door yard all Day. I have been engaged laying in a small supply of Provisions such as flour sugar Coffee etc etc. feel some better but am not yet over my Sea Sickness. spent 26 Dollars in our excursion out west.

Sep 19 To Day a Rev Gentleman from Pittsburg Died at Archibald Woods with the Cholera. He had been Down to buffaloe and returned by Cleveland from which place he came last night. was taken at 5 O'clock and at 1 O'clock he was a corpse. Doc Carey was his Phisician. we are having a very Dry time since the annual meeting of the A of WAS Society. Margaret & Hannah has gone up town & Sis & I are all that are left the Boys having gone a coon hunting. wrote a letter to Joseph Phillips of Michigan. went up to Adna Silvers to put on a small gravel Roof but had not paper enough. they Brot me Down. bought some flour.

Sep 20 Cloudy 7 looks like for rain to Day. General Scott came through on the Cars. a vast assembly not less than 25 hundred called to see him. he shook hands with as many as

he could. he was in good health and made a good impression. Done but little got some cold. Phebe Henshilwood visited here this afternoon. Anne Wilson is here and is going to stay all night. spent the evening very agreeably.

Sep 21 Cloudy with some rain. got up early & bought some beef. Mother Hise and Aunt Mary Howel took Diner with us. shod several horses to Day. paid hannah 3 Dollars. Bought plums Sugar etc etc. Cleared off nice.

Sep 22 Clear & warm. got up before sunrise and went Down to Egypt and got some Potatoes we shall have a short crop. Bought Sis a pair of Shoes for one Dollar. Bought 1/2 Barrel of white fish Paid 4.75 for it got it of Bassett. attended a free soil meeting. Mrs Gage spoke she had a written speech was a very good one. came home before it was out.

Sep 23 Clear & cool. worked in shop most of the Day. collected 10 Dollars. paid Z Street 30 Dollars of Borrowed money. Main Street is getting planked up as far as Commerce St.

Sep 24 Clear & pleasant. commenced hauling brick to levi Wharton on green St. Jo Ball Drilled in my wheat sowed 44 Bushels. filled waggon wheel for N Nogate. Bought some plums etc. was sick at noon but got better towards night.

Sep 25 Clear & warm. got up early and Bought 70 cts worth of Beef. still hauling Brick. forged a ratchet wrench for Campbell the Spt of O & P R R Co. Deposited 25.71 cents in Bank. a check given me by Mr Jas Clark & Payable in New Lisbon at the Counter of Thos McCoy. rained hard about Nine O'clock and the wind blowed hard from the west at times.

Sep 26 Cloudy & cool. got up very late want to go up to Adny Silvers & put on a little gravel Roof. got a bundle of Paper of Tom Sharp and walked up and put on my roof. came home by Tom Sharpnacks he is much better. I was so sick when I got home I could scarcely walk. got off my colt and ran into the House and laid Down upon the floor. had to be assisted to bed.

Sep 27 Clear & cool. feel very poorly yet. the Boys hauled Brick all Day. I Done nothing being quite too sick. got a Dose of Calomel of Doc Stanton going to take it shortly. I am affraid the Ague is setting in.

Sep 28 Clear & pleasant. am quite sick my medicine is Doing its work. I am weak still make out to keep moving spent some time up town. the planking of Commerce Street is going on rapidly. was commenced to Day. Bought 2 Bushels of Potatoes of Phillip Evans. rained at 5 O'clock and is still raining at bedtime.

Sep 29 Cleared off and feels rather cool. feel considerable better this morning. went up to Canfield to hear John P Hale Deliver a Political Lecture and a master one it was. how

any Old Hunker could resist his eloquent appeals in behalf of Suffering Humanity is a query to me. How Partzism will Blunt all our better feelings. I am Happy that I am out with politics altogether. I shall stay out at least for the Present. got back safe.

Sep 30 Clear & cool with stiff frost. got up early and Bought some beef. Done some work for R R Co. got 2 letters applying for gravel Roofs one from N Peirce of Alliance the Other from Mr Tencett of Columbiana. I went to the latter place this afternoon and made arrangements to put it on. must write a letter to Pitts to night for Material.

Oct 1 Clear & pleasant. putting in my time making a ratchet wrench for R R Co. Hannah has started to Rochester on a visit. two Locomotives ran together 1/2 mile west of Columbiana the particulars not come to hand yet. so far as heard one man was killed & 2 had their legs Broken & one seriously scalded. Isaac & Dan Crumrine Paid me three Hundred Dollars on lot No 6 Kidd addition. D Woodruff assumed the Debt can get it of him any time I need it.

Oct 2 Clear & warm. still working at my wrench. nothing more heard from the R R accident. finished my wrench spent some time up Town. walked out to Mother Hises meet Margaret. she went out with Sis who is going to Canfield with mother tomorrow.

Oct 3 Cloudy looks some like rain. sat round home most of the Day. Sis got back at Dark. rained some little went early to bed.

Oct 4 Cloudy with considerable rain last night. got up rather late. layd a large Coulter for plank road makers. Mrs Helvington paid me thirty Dollars her rent for last year. I could have had it sooner but Did not call for it. I tried to Buy Jo Saxons property on Main Street offered him ten hundred and fifty Dollars for it but he would not take it. I will give no more. received a letter from Jos Howard & Co informing me that my order of Sept 30th was filled and the goods forwarded as Directed glad of it. must write a letter yet to night to George Freitt of Columbiana.

Oct 5 Clear & warm. David Cunningham commenced a well for me in Jo Balls woods. filled a wheel for Jo Ball & made a pair of Ox Bows for Joshua Holloway & Done some other work in shop. still clear & Dry at sundown.

Oct 6 Clear & warm. worked at wrench & hand Car. spent some time hunting up some Money. have a Draft to pay in Bank tomorrow. expect Hannah home to night. sat up late reading the life of Thomas Paine. I regard him as one of the very best men of his age. Done more with his pen to bring our Revolution to a successful issue than any other one man of that Day. yet how very little is his self Devotion to the cause of imparted Liberty appreciated by the present generation. But the time will come (in spite of all the lyingof the time serving (Clergy) when full justice will be Done his Memory.

Oct 7 Clear at Daylight with heavy fog & some rain through the night. got up early and bought Mother Hise a piece of beef. Margaret is unwell having caught some cold.

Hannah Did not come home last night as expected but most likely will come to night. Borrowed 40 Dollars of Ben Hawley and paid off my Draft in bank. collected 5 Dollars toward paying it back must soon return it. have plenty coming if I can get it. The Temperance people is going to have a torch light procession to night. the sight of intoxicating Drunks being at this time prohibited in our Town of Salem ____ to it say I.

Oct 8 Cloudy with some rain last night. got up late and read paines Life until 7 O'clock. finished a Drilling apparatus for R R Co. hauled Brick in afternoon. to Day the Old Calvinistic Baptist commenced their Association it is rather a Slim affair. I shall give them a wide berth. I trust I have out grown such foolery & Superstition. what is more Derogatory to the Almighty than to suppose he created a portion of the human race that would be Eternally Damned. yet such is said to be the Doctrine of the above mentioned Sect. My own opinion of God is that he is a being altogether too Lovely to even punish any of his children Eternally much less would he create them on purpose, yet there seems no other alternative if we admit Eternal Punishment at all. for the limiting his knowledge would be foolish consequently he must have known each ones Destiny at the time of the creation hence Eternal punishment is inconsistent with his goodness and I therefore reject it as unworthy of belief.

Oct 9 Some cloudy but not going to rain to Day. got up before Daylight and bought some beef cost 52 cents. Margaret is getting better. the weather is very warm for time of year. Ham & Bill has gone to gather chesnuts. I worked all Day finished J Saxons wagon. Wm Kirtland Dug our potatoes in Egypt there was a poor turn out. Frances Green and old acquaintence and a Baptist preacher took supper with us after which we all went up to Hay Scales to hear Horace Greely make a speech in behalf of the Whig Party. he is a perfect Bundle of facts and with all a great Man. got home late but was well satisfied altho it rained very considerable.

Oct 10 Cloudy & cool looks some like rain. the Boys have gone a chesnut hunting & I am going to Alliance. Hannah & Sis is going with me as also is Dave Cunningham. 7 O'clock & we are all safe Back. had quite a pleasant trip. Bought a good Mince Pie at Mr Hayhursts on which we all Dined sumptuously. got home about 4 O'clock. I feel a little sea sick but shall be well by morning. Cloudy all Day with considerable wind. shall now go to Bed.

Oct 11 Clear & pleasant. worked hard on the repairing hand Car. made 2 wagon tongues etc. Jennings paid me his Bill $4.95 cts also $11 for Henry Lowery of Minerva. Allen Forker received a letter announcing the Death of his Son William (in California) he Died there of Cholera on the 26th of August last. he was Driven there By his Fathers Selfishness for had an abundance with which to make him comfortable if he could only have opened his Heart to have given it him. Wm worked hard 11 years of the very best of his life for him yet he not to had the ingratitude to see him leave his home to go to California in hopes of making himself some Money. Shame on Allen Forker. Went to hear Frank Green preach and a glorious preach he made of it. he gave the old Religeous Hunkers particular Hell. he vindicated comeauterism to its fullest extent.

Oct 12 Cloudy & wet. Done but little in the fore part of the Day. Bought 1.00 worth of Sugar. finished the hand car for R R Co.

Oct 13 Some wet. to Day the State election goes off. I shall pay no attention to it. make more at home and feel better satisfied by taking no part in the matter. made a new shaft for jennings Buggy.

Oct 14 Fair weather. knocked round in the shop at one thing & another. getting ready to go to Columbiana to put on gravel Roof. Anne Wilson & Ben Jones is here to supper with us. Calvin Moore settled & paid me 34.45 cents which squares him & I for the present. Ike Taylor is here spending the evening.

Oct 15 Went to Columbiana in the Express train last night. found no pitch there and was forced to come back home and send some from here which will prevent our getting the roof on to Day. I shall start back so as to get there by noon.

Oct 16 Clear & fine. got home at 9 1/2 O'clock. come from the freight train. got our roof on yesterday (friday the 15) came to 72.50 am to be paid on the 15th of next month. Paid Ben Hawley the 40 Dollars I borrowed a few Days ago. gave 2.37 more to our plandk road. a false alarm of fire made some excitement just after Dark. it was a chimney. went to bed early.

Oct 17 Cloudy & cool but not enough so to make it unpleasant. hitched up old Mike & went over to James Callahans to Buy winter apples but could not. he asks 25 cents per bushel and I pick them which too much. shook off and gathered up some chesnuts coming back which was fine sport for Sis. She and her Mother and Ham being all along we had a very pleasant ride got back in good time. after Supper Aaron Wilson & Lady called Down to spend the evening with. glad to have them Do So. went to bed at Nine O'clock.

Oct 18 Cloudy & looks like rain. all hands are going to Josh Holloways to pick winter apples. tried to Buy the Right of way across Jo Saxons but could not. Ham & Wm went for grapes brought home a fine parcel. wind blowed hard all night. Sowed timothy seed.

Oct 19 Cloudy & windy looks some like rain. hauled 8 loads of Brick to Wharton. got Jeremiah Bates to thrash out my wheat 44 bushels for 1.50 cents. got a Barrel of sweet cider of Job Hilliard gave him 2.50 for it. also 4 bushels sweet apples. got a barrel of cider of David Hewett.

Oct 20 Clear & cool with Big frost last night. opened the east end of Brick kiln selling it to Rail Road Co. we are hauling to Callahan want to get Done as soon as possible. Margaret is making apple Butter to Day. I am sea sick caused by swinging to & fro loading bricks. finished making apple butter at 10 O'clock P M. Sarah Wilson (known as Sage) was Married at Ben Wisners we were honored with a slice of their cake. Rheuben Painter, Wm Reeps & Sister is here helping us make our butter.

Oct 21 Clear & beautiful. made Pidgeon a waggon tongue. went to Depot 8 Barrels of pitch and 2 of tar are there awaiting my orders. finished hauling brick to Wharton & Callahan. Both Bought 10 bushels of good winter apples for 25 cents per Bushel. Bought 2 fresh fish at 6 cents per lb. want to go to Alliance tomorrow to put on gravel Roof.

Oct 22 Cloudy windy & Cold. fixed up and went to Alliance & put on all our Paper had not Enough to finish the job. returned by the night train found all well at Home.

Oct 23 Clear & Pleasant. repaired up a New Buggy or rather finished one that had only been half made. somebody must have it at some rate. put on gravel Roof for Levi Wharton on Green Street got Done at 5 O'clock. received 13 Barrels of Pitch & Tar of Boons via O & P R R Co.

Oct 24 Clear & warm most a Delightful Day. Hannah spent some time up town. I Done nothing all Day. Ben Jones called in a few minutes. Anne Wilson & Ike Taylor spent the evening & took supper with us. we was up late.

Oct 25 Clear & warm. Peter Hinneman commenced Digging a well out at the farm. I slicked up a New Buggy for Hamilton to iron. commenced repairing Campbells hand Car.

Oct 26 Clear & Delightful Indian Summer. worked all Day on the Hand Car. Mr Lamb paid me for the brick he bought 11.47. Hannah is Down at Lydia Webbs. Sis & I went out to the farm the well is progressing smartly. on our return I learned that Mrs Webb & Hannah was at lagerheads. the former accused the latter with being too familiar with Husband a pretty serious charge. Hannah cleared the track went Down in the Cars to Columbiana with the promise that she would return tomorrow.

Oct 27 Cloudy & rainy. finished hand car & commenced repairing David Fawcetts wagon. Hannah Did not return she went to new Brighton. I fear she is a gone woman. from the bottom of my heart I pity her & will yet Do what I can to save her from utter ruin. played several games of checkers with Dave & beat him good & strong. went to bed early.

Oct 28 Partially clear & some rain through the night. worked hard on the waggon until noon. went to Depot paid my freight Bills & met Hannah. she came up in Hack & started immediately to Massilon. she seemsDetermined to go to Destruction. I Done what I could to persuade her to stay at home but it was all of no avail. she left Home in a bad humor promised to return tomorrow but I fear she will not (poor girl). Dan Webster is to be buried to Day. he Died several Days ago. Margaret is going to Do her own work or at least try. Ben jones took some coffee with us. Ham & Bill has gone coon Hunting. warm and pleasant.

Oct 29 Cloudy & warm with wind in South. finished wood work of Fawcetts wagon. trued up the wheels of Hand car and sent it Down to R Road. Margaret & Mother Hise

went visiting Down to Alfred Sheets got Back at Dark. rained some since noon. Hannah is not Back yet. shifted my Roofing tools to Alliance intending to go myself But could not find Dave my right hand Man. cloudy & Dark. finished our well at the farm 22 feet Deep with plenty of water.

Oct 30 Cloudy & threatening rain. shall go to Alliance to Day. fixed up and went. Dave went up on the freight train. I waited and went up on the Express. rained when we got there could not work. went out to Ridgeway Haines and engaged lodging. went fishing in the Evening and got as got wet as a Rat. rained hard got home late but sat round the Stove and Dried before retiring.

Oct 31 Cloudy & wet. spent some part of the Day Poking around Alliance but soon got tired and went again to Haines. played checkers with Dave & Ridgeway. Stacy Grant & his Father called over and took supper with us. we had a fine afternoon. returned late.

Nov 1 Clear & cool heavy frost. got up early went to Alliance finished myjob. I came home on the Night train found all well. Margaret had got a letter from Hannah in my absence. she is still in Massilon and expects she is going to stay there at least she says nothing about coming home.

Nov 2 Cloudy & raining. sett the Boxes & tracked up my Buggy. Bought a Jug of Oil for Ridgeway Haines. some excitement in town Presidential Election to Day. wrote Hannah Cline a letter Directed it to Massilon Ohio. Dave & Ham is playing checkers. I will now go to bed.

Nov 3 Cloudy & winddy. went to Hugh Boones and bought a Side of leather for Ridgeway Haines (got on his acct) and sent it and the jug of Oil to Alliance for him. worked in shop all Day. Pierce of new Hampshire is president. the result was known in Cleveland at 11 O'clock P M on the same Day the Balloting was Done which is quick work. rained some at Bedtime. had some conversation with Mrs Webb about Hannah & Her Husband (Simeon). She evidently thinks them guilty (so Do I).

Nov 4 Cloudy & wet. rained about Daylight. bought 46 cents worth of Beef. worked in shop most of the Day. Hannah returned quite unexpectedly about 3 O'clock. she is going to stay all night at least. rained most of the Day. read the Liberator most of the evening. played 3 games of checkers and got beaten 2 of them and went to bed.

Nov 5 Cloudy & wet rained all night. got up early & am still hanging round the Stove. it is so very Disagreeable out that I Dread to go. Hannah went in the Cars to Columbiana. She is not coming Back. took the team & went up to Samuel Straughans and got cherry tree for pump Stick gave fifty cents for it. wrote a letter to Mary Rathburn of Livonia Center Wayne Co Mich. played a few games of checkers & now am going to retire.

Nov 6 Still wet & no prospects of anything else. Hauled up my Tar & pitch from Depot & Hauled our plank in from Hawleys grove and piled them up snug along side of fence.

Nov 7 Partially clear cool & very windy. am going to New Alexander to put on Roof. perhaps tomorrow may be a good Day.

Nov 9 Returned at about 8 O'clock last evening. glad we Did so as it is now snowing which would have made our trip home very unpleasant. we found our Job not quite ready but we turned in and helped. by so Doing we got it finished in time to get home as above written. found all right at home and rested well. was called up early by Samuel Brooker he wants me to Build him a Pedling Wagon want to Do it. still snowing at 7 O'clock P M and looks quite winter like. snow all melted off before night. made a wagon tongue for Joseph Moore. this evening redd the Liberator. Ben Jones called in a few minutes. played some checkers with David & Ham. read some in the Life of J Q Adams.

Nov 10 Clear & Cold ground frose Sufficient to bear a Horse. made a pump or nearly so want to finish it tomorrow. The Democrats are having a torch light procession to night and have been having a Diner etc etc. they fired a Cannon at intervals all Day. sun shone warm all Day. the Sewing circle met at the Bowens to Day. Margaret took "Old Mike" and carriage and Sis. got back in good time clear & Star light. The Whigs are taking Supper at the Farquhar house. got a letter from J N Pierce his roof leaks a little yet. shall send him some stuff up Tomorrow and he may mend it himself.

Nov 11 Clear & pleasant. sent some pitch & tools up to Alliance Pierces roof leaks a little. Charles Stratton son of Old Michael Stratton Died to Day. Bought a sett of Springs of Zac Hewett cost 4.46 cents. Bought 14 1/2 lb Sugar. moon changed to Day looks like rain since. putting in axletree for Jo Ball. played checkers with David. some windy at Bed time.

Nov 12 Cloudy cold & windy. made axletree for Jo Ball Done but little else. Wm Lightfoot of West Chester Pa called in at Noon & spent a couple of hours in conversation he is a fine Man and I was exceedingly glad to see him. Bought Paper to fix up our Bed room cost 1.45. Ham has gone to John Hunts to a wood chopping. I think it a mean way of getting wood cut.

Nov 13 Cloudy & threatens snow. Built us a good coal House. Moved the fence around our lumber yard & stuck up some of our lumber. snowed since 4 O'clock & is still snowing a little at bed time. got a letter from Hannah Cline she is now in Columbiana. Wm Lightfoot is here & is going to stay all night.

Nov 14 Cloudy & snowing with 2 or 3 inches already on the ground. the wind howls terrific and all the indications are that winter has set in. after breakfast Wm Lightfoot went to visit other Friends. I sized our Bed Room ready for papering but Wm Returning we sat and talked most of the afternoon. Jane E jones returned last night in the Cars. She hails from Indiana. Ben was not at Home he was at Joel McMillans. played a few games of checkers with Dave & got beaten. Still snowing colder at bedtime.

Nov 15 Cloudy & would snow more but has got too cold. looks as though winter had finally sett in. worked hard in shop all Day. Bought 2.53 cents worth of Horse Nails. Discharged Wm Kirtland not because he Did not suit me but because I could not afford to give him 12 Dollars per Month & he would not work for less. I guess Mother will come to town to live. I will build her a neat house if she wishes. Still grows colder. the Roads are pretty good. Elizabeth Sheets is very bad with Disentary. Doubts are entertained for her recovery. heard from john Hise he is getting along very well and is well Satisfied. Margaret is mending my Pantaloons & Sis is busy stringing Beads. Dave & Bill is Down along side of the Stove sleeping.

Nov 16 Cloudy & cool but evidently going to thaw. Bill McCracken Paid me 15 Dollars on Rent that comes Due next April. worked some at the farm & some at my pump. Wm Lightfoot starts Home to night. not near so cold to night.

Nov 17 Cloudy but Some warmer. finished my pump & put it in it is a very good one. Margaret was Down to see Elizabeth Sheets she is no better. played some checkers & got beat. the Neighbors are moving Mrs. bradys house.

Nov 18 Cloudy & warmer. worked most of the Day for R R Co. Bought 491 lb iron at 9.90 per hundred of Heaton & Fawcett. Mother Hise is here going to stay all night.

Nov 19 Cloudy & some little cooler. Dave & I hauled in our corn fodder & cleared up some of our wheat took five Bushels of it to mill. the first wheat that I ever owned that grew on my own land. Snowed hard about noon but all melted. Rheuben Howard a Colored Brother from Virginia is here with us to night. he is an old acquaintence of David & he is collecting money to purchase his Daughter. he meets with pretty good success. I am too tired to write more & will go to bed.

Nov 20 Cloudy & pleasant winter weather. worked some for the R R Co. ground my Drawing knife also my large pocket or pruning knife. cleaned up the Ballance of my Wheat also Mother Hises Buckwheat. had 44 1/4 Bushels of most excellent wheat. Levi Wharton Paid me 75 Dollars owes me 45 Dollars yet. Rheuben Howard is here yet he is a nice Old Man. cleared off to night was quite warm all the afternoon. Ben Gant buried.

Nov 21 Some Cloudy but not unpleasant. Rheuben is Still here. papered our Bed Room. Isreal Shreve Called in to Say to us that he had just come from John Hises in Jennings County Indiana. he left them all well & Satisfied. he likes the county there to live. one of his Sons bought an 80 acre lot there. cleared off very fine about 4 O'clock and is still clear at Dusk. David & Rheuben has been spending most of the Day in talking about Old Virginia. David has a notion to go back and try to get some of his Brothers out of Salavery. if he goes it will not be until warm weather. Ham took Sis home with him in the Carriage with "Old Mike". wrote Frank Chaney he Lives at Lima Allen Co Ohio.

Nov 22 Cloudy 7 Stormy snowed considerable in the fore part of the Day. rained some in the afternoon is raining at 9 O'clock P M. Anthony Gongaway is Building our shop

chimney. John Heddleson is boarding with us & Mother Hise. he is to fodder & take care of my stock & work for me on Saturdays for his Board this winter. Paid Wm Kirtland 2 Dollars on account. repaired our windows this evening. to Day Margaret moved our Bed Down Stairs. Rheuben is here yet he walked out to Day & got 2 Dollars. Hogs on foot are selling at 4 1/2 live weight. warm & murky at Bed time.

Nov 23 Cloudy & Dull frost coming out. Bought a Barrel of Salt of Heaton & Fawcett for $1.50. Sold Mother Hises 3 hogs for 4 1/2 per hundred pounds live weight they come to 36 Dollars. gave Mother a certificate of Deposit in the Salem Bank. David has gone to Alliance to work all Winter he gets 10 Dollars per month. Rheuben has gone to Canfield on his Mission. I hope he will have good success. settled with Wm Kirtland owed him 59.37 gave him my Due Bill for it wish it was paid. Read the liberator & Standard some time before going to Bed.

Nov 24 Cloudy & some colder. Anthony finished our chimney. I made an axletree for Philip Evans and built up our our new forge. stratened up the Side of our Shop etc. had company this Evening two young Men from Beria Medina County. Abby Perry Sam Brooke Elizabeth & Jesse hise, we all sang by turns or at least most of us. one of them Mr Douglass played some on the violin he can play well. went home at 10 O'clock. we were tired and therefore soon retired.

Nov 25 Cloudy & raining at Daylight is very Disagreeable out of Doors & remaining so all Day. hung & fastened Jehu Fawcetts Cellar Doors made a good job of it. Still raining at Bed time.

Nov 26 Clody & wet wind blew hard in the night but not much colder. wrote a letter to Wm Hise & one to joel Keck both of Canfield. rained all Day. Built part of a porch on the South part of Kitchen. Heat the Oven & put the Bread and Pies in for Margaret. James W Walker came about noon to attend the Bible convention. Henry C. Wright also is here. I heard with great pleasure that my Old and much esteemed Friend Amos Gilbert is in Town. I want to see him once more in this world. he is a Man I prize greatly. Salem Owes it to him more than All others put together for the Liberality that prevails in her community. He it was that first awakened my thoughts & gave them a Direction that has led me completely and entirely out of all Sectarian Shackles & sett me free. He that first awakened in my soul an interest in the Roon Stone an interest that has grown ever since & still continues to expand and I trust will never grow weary in well Doing so long as there is a Slave clanking his chains or a Slaveholder cursing gods Earth with his pestilent presence. So mote it be. Played a few games of checkers and chatted awhile with W C Wright who called in just before we retired. he is an admirer of Thomas Paine and so am I.

Nov 27 Cloudy & some colder snowed a little in the night. Ham has gone a gunning. N C Wright & J W Walker were Both here to breakfast. I bought Sis a couple of School Books & some candle Wick. had the pleasure of meeting Amos Gilbert on the Side walk. he looks much more robust than one would expect for a Man of his advanced age. his

intelect is yet unimpaired. attended the Second Session of Bible Convention listened to all the speeches some of which were very able particularly Joseph Bankers. H C Wright also made a noble & unanswerable argument against (at least) a part of the Old Testament. the Evening session continued until a late hour. J N Pierce paid me $35.00 on account still owes me about 30 Dollars more. J N Pierce J W Walker N C Wright, Mrs Smolley & Mrs Meninhall were here as guests for the night.

Nov 28 Weather about the same. attended all the Sessions of Bible Convention which were highly interesting I think as much so as any meeting ever held in Salem. Mr Tiffany of Cleveland made the ablest speech against the inspiration of the Bible I ever listened to. Showed convlusively that without a Direct Revelation from God we could not after all tell anything about the teachings of the Book and that it was to each Man Just whatever he interpreted it to be so that after all there are just as many Bibles as there is Different intelects. Mr Hartzell a Campbellite Preacher Defended the Bible with much ability and fairness but as I think fell infinitelyshort of answering the preceding Speakers objections. I suppose he Done as well as any one could have Done on that side of the question. in my opinion the Bible is not Susceptible of any better Defense than it got at his hands. Sessions continued late. J N Pierce N C Wright & Harry Case are with us to night.

Nov 29 Clear or partially so. the Convention still in Session since 10 O'clock. Andrew Jackson Davis made a Speech from manuscript last Evening he is a good looking Man. He and his Lady are both here. she is much the Oldest but is inteligent. Discussion continued until late. L A Kine of Cincinnati took a part in the Discussion. the Rowdies interrupted the Meeting. Jake Ambler told Joseph Barker to Shut his mouth as he was nothing but an Englishman at which the Rowdies applauded extravagently. James Brown clapped his hands & stamped his foot approvingly which I thought was particularly censurable in him as he is himself a European By birth. several of the leaders were exemplary members of the Different Orthodox churches of Salem. they evidently felt sore from severe castigation and saw their Castle of sin being undermined and felt as though something must be Done to rescue their God from the Denouncing Angels (or infidels as they call them). Henry Ambler cameforward and took the Stand at the particular request of the Rowdies and at least 3 of the Ministers present. he spoke about 2 1/2 hours. his speech was Decidedly the ablest one made on the side of the question During the whole sitting of the Convention. it nevertheless abounded with repitition and abuse he even Descended to attempt to reproach Joseph Barker for being an Englishman and havingan impediment in his Speech and even had the audacity to insinuate that he was an emisary sent out by Great Britton to undermine the Eclastical institutions of our Country. he received almost unbounded applause from the Rabble at the close of his tirade of abuse. Joseph Barker then took the floor and Such a rebuke as Ambler got at his hands I never listened to. if Amblers Heart were not as black as Hell itself and as steeled and hard as the adamantine rack he must have got up and Begged Barkers pardon for his ungentlemanly conduct but he sat as apparently unconscious of having violated the articles of Decorum. he evidently thought his Discourse was ____ and required Desperate remedies. he killed the effect of his own speech. Barkers rebuke opened the way for a favorable reception of his reply. I believe at least three fourths of of the auddience was in sympathy with Barker.

Mr Hartzell (who is a gentleman) made the closing speech But it was so late (or rather early about 2 O'clock on Tuesday morning) that I came home before he closed. thus ended the finest Bible Convention ever held in Salem and if Old Superstition Did not get sorely crippled the I very much misjudge the signs of the times. closed in perfect good Order.

Nov 30 Clear & cold with frost this morning. sent Wm Smith out for our team. I took my tools for gravel Roofing Down to Jesse Hawleys want to put the Roof on tomorrow. feel rather weary having lost so much sleep During the Convention. am tired shall go early to bed.

Dec 1 Clear & cool ground frose hard. got up and eat breakfast before Daylight want to get an early start. went over to Peter Henemans & called him up he agreed to come and Bring his Brother John with him. by the time I got the pitch hot I accordingly went and waited until about 10 O'clock and they not coming I came home again to see what was become of them. found John helping Tom Butcher & Pete husking corn for Isaac Thomas. I said nothing but got Wm Smith to go with me and he & I put the Roof on and got home against sundown. there was 9 squares of it. sun shone very pleasant all Day. Sewing circle met here to Day had a regular Spree at the Supper Table. Paid Fred Bates $1.54 I owed him for threshing my wheat. feel tired Roofing is hard work. shall soon go to Bed. Sis has a bad cold.

Dec 2 Clear & very pleasant. attended a sitting of the Fair Committee this forenoon. James W Walker left for home. I subscribed 5 Dollars towards publishing the proceedings of the Bible Convention am to have the worth of it in pamphlets at about 17 cents each. made Ben Bowen a hay knife he is to give me 1.50 for it. Bought a paper of Matches. J W Walker gave me an order on the Executive Committee of the W A S S for 25 Dollars. I turn it over to the latter which pays up all my pledges for 1852. clody and looks like rain at 9 O'clock.

Dec 3 Cloudy & indications of rain. went to Columbiana to get some money of George Freitt but he had none for me. says he has the promise of it for the first of January and will bring it to me. came very near being left in Columbiana was far up town when the Cars arrived. I ran with might and main expecting every moment to see the Cars start but finally arrived in time although much exhauseted. got home at 3 O'clock. rained some before sundown and at 8 O'clock is raining considerable. Elizabeth hise is here and is going to stay all night.

Dec 4 Cloudy warm & Disagreeable Day. rained some and is very muddy. attended Jo Smiths Sale. Bought a tine bender, anvil & Bellows, sledge & hollow anvil the whole costing me 28.35 to be paid in Nine Months gave my note for the Same. A Webb went my Bail. Ham has gone to a spree gave him one Dollar to pay expenses.

Dec 5 Cloudy & warm. attended the sitting of Executive Committee had a long session Done considerable Business. Joel McMillan came home with me. after eating a bite we

together with Margaret met with Fair committee. made arrangements for getting up Supper etc. returned and found Amos Gilbert here waiting for us. we had a very pleasant evening and sat up late and kept up brisk chat all the time.

Dec 6 Clear & warm got up early. Our Friend Amos is an early riser. ate Breakfast by candle light. got David Painter to haul Down my Bellows & Anvils am busy in Setting them up. Sold David painter some plank for which he paid me the Money. Set up our Bellows and Dressed our fire. Sim Jennings sent for me & I went Down after night. he is more plague than Profit a Damned sight. Sat for my likeness at hunts Gallery in all my rags and Dirt it is a good picture. Sis is not well has a bad cold.

Dec 7 Cloudy & warm feels & looks like April. worked at our new fire for the first. it is a good one. agreed with Alexander Pow to iron a new Wagon for him. he is to pay me 22.50 in stone coal at 5 cents per bushel. Drawed 36 Dollars for Mother Hise. she gave me ten of it to pay to Jehu Fawcett what Father owed him. Bought a very fat quarter of Beef of Z Street paid him four Dollars and fifty cents cash for it. carried it home made quite a load. John Thompsons Son was Buried to Day he was about 7 years of age. rained a good part of this afternoon is still warm with clouds moving rapidly towards the north. they look grand no sight more sublime than to see the clouds moving fast with a fine clear sky beyond which is the case as I now write.

Dec 8 Cloudy & warm. worked all Day at patching Isaac Carrs Boiler. Jesse Hawley paid me 29 Dollars on account. Benjamin bowen came paid for and took away his hay knife. Margaret attended the Sewing circle at John Whinnerys. Sis was well enough to go with her. pork is worth 6 1/2 cents per lb all cash. Deposited 50 Dollars in Bank.

Dec 9 Some cloudy with white frost. thawed all out in the course of the Day. Built up our fire place in setting room and relaid the hearth. finished patching our Boiler. Drew a plan for House intended for Mother Hise to occupy.

Dec 10 Weather about the Same cloudy with Stiff frost thawed in middle of Day. went to Egypt and cut some timber for Addition to Shop. Bought Margaret 2 pairs of cotton Stockings at Scattengoods & 15 lb sugar for one Dollar at Thomas & Greiners. finished reading the life of J Q Adams. went late to Bed. Paid Jehu Fawcett 10 Dollars on Father Hises account. Mother Hise gave me the Money (part of her pork money).

Dec 11 Cloudy & Dark as I write before Day. snowing a little is still warm. want to haul timber from Egypt as bad as the Roads are. hauled 3 loads of timber. Margaret Sis & Mother Hise has gone to Canfield not coming back to Day & am here alone with the exception of Wm Smith. he and I played checkers until 9 O'clock soon after which we retired I to my lonely pillow & he to his.

Dec 12 Cloudy & cold spitting snow at 7 O'clock. had a lonesome time of it last Night "verily it is not good for man to be alone" is a truth that every Married man must acknowledge whether put on record by Moses or any other writer It does not mater who

wrote it as long as it is true and I feel the force of the remark this morning. have kindled a fire but know not what to do for breakfast. some notion of going up town to charter a cook but think I can make at least a half hand at cooking myself. shall make a good substantial meal if not a very scientifficone so here goes for beef steak butter etc etc. I have just got up from the table after partaking of a hearty breakfast. the real wants of Nature are easily Satisfied at least this is my experience this morning. must now go out to the farm & see how things look there. returned after two or three hours absence and found Margaret had returned. she found Sarah & Joel McMillan Mrs Bowen John Deming & Anne Wilson all here awaiting our arrival. had a very pleasant afternoon. Sarah & Joel & Anne stayed Supper. the rest was forced to go home to attend to their Domestic affairs. at Dark we are alone again. looks like Snowing & I shall be Deceived if it Does not Snow to night.

Dec 13 got up early found the ground covered with snow but what Depth I cannot tell probably not over one inch or two at the farthest. snowed fast at 8 O'clock fell to the Depth of 1 1/2 inches. worked in shop all Day made a starting box for R R Co. paid Wm Kirtland 1.25 cents I owed him. Mary Hise was here visiting this afternoon.

Dec 14 Clear & cold got up at 5 O'clock and kindled fire under wash water and our washer woman before it was fairly light to commence. finished ironing Philip Evans Sled the shoes weighed 214 lb. Bought the iron for Alexander Pows Wagon got on his account at Jacob Heatons. Sunshine fine and warm is very pleasant in the Sun. Pork is bringing 6 1/2 cents per pound to Day. Bought a Poland Rooster the first I ever owned. Paid a draft from Jos Howard & Co of One Hundred Dollars. Drew 25 Dollars out of Bank to pay my tax. Isaac Thomas paid me 15 Dollars. John Gordon bespoke a Wagon of me. clear & cold. Sis Hise is here going to Stay all night.

Dec 15 Clear & cold got up before 5 O'clock. after breakfast Started to New Lisbon to pay my tax. paid it and returned by two O'clock. Rode the Stewart Mare. she got along right the roads are very rough. Paid David Woodruffs tax advance $11.09 cents for him. sun shines pleasant and is thawing some in the middle of the Day. Margaret is attending the Sewing circle at Jane Trescotts. spent the Ballance of the Day up town. E Dickinson is here at 9 O'clock going to stay all night. I wrote a letter to David Dickinson of Wellsville Ohio. I want him to secure a cook for our Anti Slavery Fair.

Dec 16 Cloudy some warmer & raining very Disagreeable out Doors. Done nothing to Day but select the spokes for Brooks wagon. rained all Day waters high in consequence. E Dickinson is still here so wet she cant leave.

Dec 17 Clear & cold frose some wind Blows hard all Day. got Tom Kineman to Butcher our hogs. Mother Hise got hers killed also. worked some at the wood work of A Pows wagon. Amos Gilbert is here to night. he gave Sis a beautiful Steel plate engraving of Raphael the celebrated Painter (at the age thirteen. wind blows hard at 9 O'clock.

Dec 18 Clear & cloudy at intervals. cut up our hogs. made a verbal bargain with John

Bennett to farm our place from April 1st 1853 to the Same time in 1855. we did not go into particulars. Bought 52 lb of Sausage of Jehu Fawcett gave him 6 1/2 per lb. Betts cut down the big hickory pole.

Dec 19 Clear & some warmer. seasoned & worked our Sausage & Salted Down our Pork. Sawed up some of my Boards for palings for front fence. attended funeral of John Grimseys youngest child Died of Scarlet fever & mumps combined. Anne Wilson is spending the afternoon with us. cloudy at 4 O'clock & looks like raining. Jane E & Ben Jones called in and spent part of the evening with us. I was Delighted to have them Do so. wrote a letter to Hammond Thomas for Anne Wilson. accompanied her home after which we (the Boys & I) played a few games of checkers before retiring.

Dec 20 Cloudy warm & raining at 5 O'clock. wrote two letters one to I N Rinear the other to Mary Mendenhall. rained all Day ground is very wet. worked in wood shop all Day. Bought 5 dozen eggs for our approaching Fair. got my Boots 1/2 soled. the Executors of the estate of Robert Woods Decd is selling out his old Store at auction. raining at 9 O'clock and freesing a very little. played a few games of checkers before retiring.

Dec 21 Cloudy & cold frose up last night is very icy this morning. sett the Boxes in A Pows wagon. got a letter from David Dickinson of Wellsville. atended auction Bought so much thought I better leave. Margaret & Sis will neither of them want for dresses soon. Dry goods sold for half what they were worth.

Dec 22 Cleared off beautifully this morning. hewed some of my timber for shop. Maragret attended the Sewing circle at N R Robinsons. Henry Boone of Litchfield Medina Co Ohio & Frank & Charley Douglass of Berea all three called Down. they are going to play During Our approaching Fair. played last night at Jess Hises had a good time got home at 11 O'clock P M.

Dec 23 Cloudy & windy raining & freesing. horrid getting about out Doors. expected to have hauled wood from Egypt but shall not. rained all Day waters high. worked in shop all Day. wind howls going to turn cold to night. attended auction but bought little.

Dec 24 Cloudy & warm still rains a little waters very high. R R Bridge at Louisville Stark Co is carried off. Bought me a new coat not before I needed it. Bought Sis a Christmas Book.

Dec 25 Christmas morning. Cloudy warm & as muddy as can be. got up at 5 O'clock. after breakfast went out to the farm to chop wood. cut Down a Dead Hickery 2 feet over. was hard but made excellent wood. hauled 2 loads of it home. Hannah Strawn Jane & Rachel Trescott were here baking cakes for our fair. the baked a large quantity.

Dec 26 Cloudy some colder. went to Egypt with Ben Hilmon he wants to buy my wood land. I offered it to him for five hundred Dollars, one hundred and fifty Dollars in

Carpenters work. the Ballance in payments with interest. had a good time all Day. at night went Down to joel McMillans took supper sang and Danced (not I) but the rest of the company. got home at 1/2 past 10 O'clock. Jane E Jones was there and took part in the Dance she is a good Dancer. Henry Boone our guest is unwell has a bad cold. Margaret has just made him some medicine.

Dec 27 Cloudy & much colder ground frose hard. I & the Boys went out to the farm & took out the pump washed the sand out. it had got so full we could not work the handle. we had a cold job of it. got Done and returned at 11 O'clock. I bought more sugar & butter for cakes took some to Tom Sharp & some to C H Smith. commenced raining at 12 O'clock. continued accompanied with hard wind all Day & is still the same when we retire.

Dec 28 Cloudy & very windy waters high. still threatening rain. turned cold & commenced freesing. Wm Bettis & I made our table legs for fair & made some other preparations. grows gradually colder as night approaches.

Dec 29 Clear & cold ground frose hard. gathered up Boards for tables and Distributed sugar & eggs to be made into cakes. I W Walker arrived about 7 O'clock from New Lime brot goods for fair.

Dec 30 Some warmer & snowing at Day break. worked all Day collecting Dishes & making other arrangements for Fair. thawed this afternoon is not freesing any to night. Our Hall is superbly Deckorated with evergreen. Cornwell Cashier of our Bank helped us all the evening.

Dec 31 Cloudy & wet rained all Day. my time was occupied in getting up supper for the Ball. Fair opened at 10 O'clock Done well for the first Day. at 9 O'clock the Fair closed & we Wm Bettis & I with some other assistance set a table for 1 hundred persons. they were all satisfied and the whole thing ended in good order. Wm & I slept in the Hall all night.

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Jan 1 Cloudy & some little cooler. snowed some last night. worked David Hard in getting up a warm supper which came off at 6 O'clock & paid poorly. Fair Done well sold pretty much all they had. sold some at auction after 9 O'clock. Margaret has not been able to Do anything to Day having worked quite too hard yesterday But Hannah Strawn Sarah Smith & some others helped me faithfully all Day. Tiffiny made a speech at 2 O'clock but there was too much confusion.

Jan 2 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. helped sweep out the Hall found a gold Dollar while Doing so. went to hear Tiffany preach at Hicksite Meeting. he preached a very short but impressive one. came home at 1/2 past One O'clock and remained here all the afternoon. Ben Jones spent the afternoon and evening with us. I E Jones has started out lecturing. Tiffany spoke in Town Hall but I was too much fatigued to enjoy it so I staid at home. Margaret is getting better we will go early to bed.

Jan 3 Clear & beautiful got up about 7 O'clock feel very much refreshed since my last nights rest. Margaret is much better this morning. met our Friends at the Hall & washed and returned all our Borrowed Dishes. returned our Boards & cleaned up the Hall. this evening Margaret is much worse. I went to hear Tiffany but soon got tired & came home. found Margret in Bed her back aching severely.

Jan 4 Cloudy & considerable colder ground frose hard. Margaret is still very poorly. got one of our Colored Neighbors to get our breakfast & Do the washing. spent part of the Day in hunting a girl to work for us but found none. paid off the expenses of our Fair supper returned home before night. found that a Miss Po___ had called in to obtain work how fortunate. of course we gave her employment & sis and her is getting acquainted very fast. Mother Hise & Anne Wilson Both called in to see how we were getting along. Mother is well & hearty.

Jan 5 Cloudy & cold. Margaret is better this morning But I have a very severe cold. got David Woodruff to send to Pittsburg for the springs & axles for Brookes new Wagon. want to go to saw mill for a load of boards. the roads are very rough gave out going until tomorrow. Ben Jones Spent the evening with us.

Jan 6 Clear 7 cold frose hard last night. got up before Day went out to farm and fed the team. got back to breakfast. hauled 3 loads of wood from Egypt 2 for ourselves & 1 for Ben Jones. attended Tiffanys lecture with Margaret she is well again. Ben Jones took supper with us. thawed very much through the Day but will freese up again to night.

Jan 7 Clear & cold but has moderated some. Nancy Boone & Frank Douglass returned at 11 O'clock last night from Marlboro where they went to try getting up a Dancing school. my cold is still bad head aches severely. Ham has a fallon on his finger which I fear will Disable him for some time. hauled a load of boards from Meads Sawmill. Sun Shone

pleasant all Day. Two of Margaret Wisners children Died to Day one at three O'clock and the other at 10 O'clock A M. they Died of Scarlet Fever. was both buried.

Jan 8 Clear 7 warm frose but little last night. attended the funeral of Wisners children they were both buried in one grave. it was a sorrowful sight. (last night Aunty Evans strolled out after Dark all town was hunting her. at 2 O'clock this morning she was found on the root of a large tree in Ben Hawleys woods fast asleep & nearly chilled with cold. she is subject to spells of Melacholly. went to Alliance in the 3 O'clock train to see I N Pierce. paid Ridgeway Haines a short visit. he & I ate a Dish of Oysters together with I N Pierce. I came home at 11 O'clock found all well. brot a can of Oysters with me. Our folks had a good time in my absence. Boons Band were all here with several young people. I would gladly have been with them but could not.

Jan 9 Cloudy & warm looks and feels like raining. after breakfast Jesse Hise called Down a short time but has now gone home again. N Boon is now playing his violin in the Parlor. Charles & Frank Douglass has just called in. cleared off and is warm as May. spent the entire Day in the House. we had a splendid goose roasted for Diner. E M Hise N Boon & Frank Douglas were here and Done their part in hiding goose. the evening Margaret Sis & I spent with Ben & J E Jones. they were busy maturing a plan for a Dwelling House they contemplate building.

Jan 10 Some cloudy & moderate winter weather frose a very little last night. cleared off fine and remained very warm & pleasant allDay. Margaret & Sis went out to Mother Hises got back about Dusk. had a real feast of Oysters. Ben Jones Henry Lewis Henry Boon Jesse Hise & Wife & Sister Elizabeth were all here besides all our own family. we ate a whole can of Oysters with their accompaniment. had a good time Dispersed at 11 O'clock P M. Hamiltons hand is very Bad with catarrh. rained at 10 O'clock.

Jan 11 Cloudy & a little cooler wind in north. got up late and have a slight head ache indulged too much in Oysters I think. Done but little to Day. Cornwell gave me salve for Hams finger it is almighty bad. made a hand hamer played Ukre checkers etc. articled with John M Benett for the farm he is to farm it on shares.

Jan 12 Cloudy & rainy rained all night. Mother Hise called in early this morning but could not stay went home in the rain without an umbrella. Dressed Hams finger it will soon break. Alfred Sheets & Timothy Gee started west to buy land. I made Sis a complete trunle bed. Sold my Egypt land to Isaac Thomas for five hundred Dollars in yearly payments of one hundred each with interest from April 1st 1853. to pay the first hundred on the first of August next without interest but if not paid then interest to commence. snowed condiserable and has turned colder still snowing at bed time.

Jan 13 Cold has ceased snowing. got up before Day Dressed Hams sore finger it looks most shocking bad. worked some in shop. thawed some in middle of the Day. paid the Ballance 4.00 on Fathers tomb. roads bad. Ham got his hand lanced.

Jan 14 Cloudy & hasy looks like snowing. ____is hurt bad his back is all raw.

Jan 15 Mild winter weather not enough snow for Sledding. made myself a good ring Mall & 2 iron wedges. worked up the ballance of the large hickory. Wm Stewart paid me 10 Dollars the Boot money between Sol & the Buggy. John Deming Bought 2 of Mother Hises cows he is to give her 27 Dollars for the two in Ninety Days without interest.

Jan 16 Cloudy & cold. Ben Jones spent the whole Day & evening with us. he is short of wood & so are we. we are burning knots that we thought would not split but necessity banished the Delusion. Tiffany is still Lecturing on Spirituality. Rebecca Sharp called Down this evening & spent a short time with us. Anne Wilson came Down to see how we were prospering. She & Margaret went to hear Tiffany. I feel but little interest in the Subject.

Jan 17 Cloudy & cold. colder last night than any one this winter. must haul wood to Day. hauled 3 loads showed Tom Kineman where to chop birch wood. commenced the repairs of Tom Brookes pedling wagon. Attend the Orthodox Lectures in Town Hall. Mr Dixon spoke on the Phoficies and their fulfilment. made out a pretty strong case in favor of their Divine Origin but a few words on the opposite side would have upset his whole argument. he proved too much. some of the prophecies was fulfilled by two or three events that took place so that if you Denied its being a prediction of one of them he claimed it was of the other. such arguing would prove the truth of any prophet.

Jan 18 Cloudy & cold fine winter weather. finished the pedling wagon. snowed considerable. a female Slave arrived here just from New Orleans. she came by R Road from Pittsburg she is unwell being very much exposed. before leaving her master she laid outdoors exposed to hard rain several Days before she could get an opportunity of quiting her place of concealment. went to the lectures heard Mr Pryse make one of the silliest speeches I ever listened to. I think he has learned nothing since the Bible convention. he reiterates his old story with nonchalonce as though it was original and Delivered for the first time. Marius Robinson replied not particularly to Pryse but to Mr Dixon who at the close of the Lecture volunteered to abuse Joseph Banker in his absence of course (priest like). he is an unprincipled opponent. what he cant answer by argument he attempts to Ridicule but he will find that such stuff Does not pass for sound coin in Salem. had some Discussion on my way home with John McCalla but amounted to nothing & will continue it with him when he wishes. I can trip him up on the position he took (viz) that according to the Bible God never changed his mind. see Ezekiel Chap 4th.

Jan 19 Cloudy & cold with some more snow last night. heard from George Hise my youngest Brother. he is in Oregon has 160 Acres of good land, has a good shop on it and is working at his trade (Blacksmithing).

Jan 20 Clear & cold but is going to thaw in the middle of the Day. Our Hired girl left us she has gone up to the Western Hotel. I believe her to be a bad girl & am glad she is gone. Bought a good hind quarter of Beef cost 5.49 cts. The County Treasurer collected

the Bank Tax. By Strategem and force combined Three Ruffians first Entered the Bank and seized the Cashier robed him of his arms and held him while the whole Possee entered. they then proceeded to force open the vault but found no money there. they however Did find it Secreted in a flue. they took 3401 Dollars and 11 cents. great excitement prevailed through town all Day. The Sherrif arrested 4 persons for resisting the Law on Jan 2 (viz) Joseph Thomas Richard Webb Imly Holloway & Fred Stanley. they have all gone to New Lisbon. Attended the Lecture of James Barnaby in reply to the three Delivered by the clergy. he had a splendid audience and Done full justice to his subject.

Jan 21 Clear & cold frose hard last night. Thomas Mateson is hauling boards from Meads Mill for me. thawed smartly through the Day. Rachel hise Mary Gee & Harriet Woodruff are visiting with us. Isaac Taylor took his farewell supper with us he is going to California. Starts tomorrow. Hellen our fugitive is not much better. the persons arrested by the Sherrif yesterday were all Bound over for their appearance at Court next March.

Jan 22 Cloudy & some warmer thawed all Day. worked some in shop. got a letter from Boons of Pittsburg requesting me to pay into the Bank what I owe them 48.50. Bought 1.80 cents worth of Sugar & butter. still warm not going to freese much to night. Isaac Taylor leaves for California to night at 11 O'clock.

Jan 23 Cloudy colder with some more snow last night & looks at 3 O'clock A M like snowing more. commenced writing George Hise a long letter to go Oregon. about noon I took a walk out to the farm. commenced snowing at 2 O'clock. Isaac & Jane Trescott took supper with by especial request after which he & I played 4 games of Moris & quit even. Rebecca Sharp & a Mrs Davis spent the evening with us.

Jan 24 Snwowing & blowing from North west. considerable snow fell last night but is to warm to last. spent the forenoon up town trying to collect money but failed. in afternoon cut Down 4 trees sufficient to make 11 saw logs. stormed hard all the afternoon & turned considerable colder. went in the evening and heard the Rev Mr Stratton lecture on the evidences of christiana. the weakest of all the arguments I have heard on that side of the question. got home a little after 9 O'clock and will go Directly to bed. I was called as a witness between John Stanley & Samuel Taylor. the former surrendered to contract for an Engine that was not made according to agreement.

Jan 25 Clear & cold. got up early want to haul saw logs to Day. I fear our snow will not last long turned out to be too stormy. snowed & blowed all Day or nearly so. Just before night I got John Kinneman to go out with me and we sawed off 12 logs. attended the theological lecture and a greater failure I never saw. yet when James Connely attempted a short reply most of the religeous part of the audience very unceremoniously withdrew which I considered ungentlemanly after boring us for 2 entire evenings with as flat & _____ pointless a lecture as was ever Delivered in the Town Hall. But this is their idea of toleration their method of holding proving all things & that they may hold onto that which is good. I prefer hearing both sides that I may judge between the two. Hired my Bob Sled to Judge W Smith & E Greiner. clear & moon light. Henry Boone has gone to

Canfield Sleighing. at 10 O'clock I am going to bed.

Jan 26 Clear & all fired cold. much colder than we have had this winter before. hauled 12 logs to Schooleys Mill. learned on coming to town that Jacin Reep got smashed between 2 cars at Columbiana he was killed instantly. was brought Directly to Salem and is to be buried on Fryday at 10 A M. Partook of Oysters at Jesse Hises. the California Boys were all there. Barney Weaver started to night at 11 P M. very cold and moon light. Mrs Chessman got Seriously injured by the car axle breaking and throwing the Car off the track below New Brighton on yesterday at 4 O'clock.

Jan 27 Cloudy & cold. cannot haul logs to Day but will cut some. went out & fell 2 large trees. got Tom Hineman to help me saw them off. got the promise of Joel McMillans team tomorrow to assist me. this evening I went Down to see Tom Sharp he has a very sore eye and is other ways poorly so he keeps his bed. read the letter from George Hise of Oregon. he says he has elders on his land that will make 8 rail cuts apiece rather longer than they grow with us. I am engaged in writing a letter to him. I shall now write some in it. I write at intervals only.

Jan 28 Clear & warm. Joels team would not pull so I got Joseph Ball to haul them and I hauled small ones. all I have cut are now at the mill. warm & pleasant thawed considerable in the middle of the Day. am real tired and shall not go out of the house to night. will write more at Georges letter.

Jan 29 Clear & warm. hauled 2 loads of wood before it thawed much. Ironed Sam Brooks wheels. an Irishman got instantly killed at the Depot to Day. he was sitting on one of the gravel Cars and when it started he fell Back and his head was crushed fine. he Belongs in New Brighton Pa. we were up to Marius Robinsons to night had some excellent musick. got home at 10 O'clock.

Jan 30 Clear & pleasant at sunrise has every appearance of being a fine Day. after breakfast I walked Down to the Depot. saw the Brains of the man that was killed yesterday still laying on the track and his blood has ran at least 10 feet over the frosen ground. while there the Locomotive Canton arrived with Mrs Chessman who was hurt at New brighton. I assisted in carrying her up home she is some better. got much colder and raw. had good musick. Davidson & the Griffings was here sang & played. Dave called Down at 10 O'clock.

Jan 31 Clear & very pleasant all Day. Thomas Matson hauled Lumber. I borrowed 50 Dollars of Robt Tolerton Deposited it in Bank. sent the certificate to J T & J I Boone for 48.50. worked some in shop. Old Robt Holeroy Died last night at 1/2 past 10 O'clock. he Died in the Wood house where he had lived a number of years. he is a township charge. he spent his young Days in Drinking intoxicating Drinks to excess. Sowed the wind and Reaped the whirlwind. Tom Sharpnack got Lad and Mothers wagon. Father Goulbourn is quite poorly to Day. want to write a letter to Jo Lukens of Pa.

Feb 1 Clear & warm thawed fast all Day. finished Pows wagon Bed. attended the funeral of Robt Holeroy he was 59 years of age, Frank Douglass is here to night. not going to freese any to night. Jesse Hise called Down a while beat me playing checkers.

Feb 2 Cloudy & warm. hauled 2 loads of lumber from Holloways mill. took five bushels of Wheat out to Smith Steam mill they ground it while I waited for it. most horrid muddy. bought stuff for 3 mill Bags gave 1 Dollar for it. played some checkers etc.

Feb 3 Cloudy & moderate. frose a little last night. worked some in wood shop then went to Depot to get payed off but Did not. went from there to Schooleys mill. several of my logs were sawed. Frank Douglass started home at 3 O'clock P M. thawed all Day is very muddy. rained hard at 9 O'clock P M.

Feb 4 Cloudy warm & raining frost all coming out. Bought Sis a pair of shoes gave 1 Dollar for them. W S Smith Paid me 50 cents sled hire. Bought a good fat goose for 1 quarter of Dollar. still warm at Dark.

Feb 5 Cloudy warm & wet. had an attack of Bowel complaint was forced to get up twice before Daylight. worked in shop most of the Day. rained constant. made a crossing opposite the shop. waters high and roads muddy. played checkers until late wrote some of my Oregon letter.

Feb 6 Cold my shade trees so loaded with ice as to lay flat on the ground. some of the sugar trees are pried loose at the root. I fear they will be injured but there is no helpfor it I cannot shake the ice off. attended the committee meeting after which I called in to see Anne Wilson a few minutes came Directly home and have repaired there all Day. Margaret & Sis paid a visit at George Hensilwoods came home before Dark. Johnson & Harners store caught fire but they happened to Discover it in time to extinguish it but not without sustaining some loss and getting their hands considerably burned.

Feb 7 Cloudy & cold frose hard last night very icy. got a letter from Mary Rathburn of Mich. remained cold all Day. finished Pows wagon. spent some time up town this evening. played some checkers. settled with Josh Holloway he owed me 1 1/4 cents.

Feb 8 Clear & cold. trees still hung in their silver Drapery we are now in a fairy land. every tree is loaded with ice which the warm sun makes them look most Delightful. chopped wood this afternoon am not right well. Henry Boone is playing the violin most exquisitely at my elbow.

Feb 9 Cloudy & most Damnation cold. went to Egypt and got a load of wood but too cold quit it. Done nothing the ballance of the. frose hard all Day. new moon to night cedar trees still flat Down.

Feb 10 Cloudy & cold. went to R Road for my Money but got none. Borrowed 50 Dollars of Anthony Gongwer Paid it to Ben Castleberry. he has my note given to Wm

Kirtland. mailed a letter to go to Oregon to George Hise. Directed to Pleasant Hill P O Linn Co O T. attended the Phrenilogical lectures of Dr Wagner had my head examined was well satisfied with the character given me. played some checkers. some warmer & quite windy at 9 O'clock P M. Bought Sis a present as this is her birth Day. she is 10 years old to Day.

Feb 11 Cloudy & warmer snowed considerable last night but will soon melt. wrote 2 letters one to George ____ & one to J N Pierce. Done but little to Day spent most of the time up town. attended the lectures some examinations were made that were satisfactory. the Lecturer refused to examine Enos Eldridges head said it was too gross for him to come in contact with. Eldridge was ____ bad. the audience broke out in immediate laughter. I pitied Eldridge but he Dont care much about it. Henry came home at 10 O'clock considerable the worse of Liquor. he Did not go to bed until nearly morning. kept Margaret & I awake all night.

Feb 12 Clear & moderate. hitched up Kate for the first time to a load she pulls well. Jacob Painter was out to look at Sal thinks he will buy her. hauled Mother Hise 3 loads of wood & 1 to ourselves. the Democrats had an Election to Day for post Master. they quareled & broke up in a row. they all want office is what causes the trouble. Henry is trying to sober off is now asleep on the lounge. snowed some this afternoon but is moderate winter weather.

Feb 13 Clear & cloudy at intervals. wrote a letter to Andrew Chaney of Lima Allen County Ohio. took Diner with Father Goulbourn and had a long talk with him about his native England. got his geneology as well as he could give it and is as follows. (John Clough was born 1731 and raised in Utkinton Chesshire England and was Father of Mary Clough who was born on Oct 10 1760 was Married to John Goulbourn (who was born in Eaton Chesshire England Dec 21 1756 (his Father whose name was Joseph was born in the same house in 1732 and died in 1804 aged 72 years his Disease was Asthma. he did not lie Down for the last 40 years of his life. John Clough mentioned above Died in 1805 aged 73 years. Joseph Goulbourn Son of John Goulbourn & Mary Clough Goulbourn was born in Eaton Chesshire 1788 Dec 6th. Married to Rachel Leisune of Montgomery County Penn in 1819 March 4th. Followed the Tailoring business in the City of Philadelphia 10 years when he emigrated to Columbiana County Ohio where he yet lives. Margaret Goulbourn (their Daughter) & was Married to D H Hise in 1839 July 3rd. for further particulars see the Bible). after getting the above information I walked up town went up into Hunts picture room and stayed until about sundown. came home found Benjamin Jones here was glad of it. he took Supper & spent the evening with us. snowed some at 8 O'clock. Henry is still under the influence of Liquor sorry for him. Played some checkers with Dave and beat!

Feb 14 Cold & cloudy remained so all Day. Did not attend the Lecture. making efforts to reclaim poor Henry. he is an unfortunate Brother but if I can Do anything for him I will Do it. he has bought some muslin for Shirts. Margaret is going to make them up for him. Jacob Painter bought Sal (my Bay Mare) is to give me 75 Dollars for her took her home

with him. spent time up town this Evening. Levi Wharton paid me 20 Dollars.

Feb 15 Cloudy & some warmer. fitted a wheel for Allen Forker. Settled with Joseph Painter he owed & paid me 62 1/2 cents. Jacob Painter brot back the bridle and paid me for Sal. he gave me a note on A H & T W Wilson for 40.00 his own Due Bill for 24.70 & 10 Dollars in Money. got my boots 1/2 soled at Enos Eldridges for 50 cents he owed me 1.68 paid me the Ballance in cash. Bought some good butter. attended the lecture. Henry is Sober he & Margaret & Sis went to the lecture came home late. still thawing at bedtime.

Feb 16 Cloudy & warm. Bought some Paint to finish Pows Wagon. put on one coat of Paint & went Down to Schooles Mill. all my brick yard boards are sawed. got back about Dark. turned some colder & snowed a little. James Walker took Diner with us. played checkers with Henry all the evening.

Feb 17 Clear & warm thawed all Day. commenced a two horse wagon. Settled with Chalk Boone owed him Nine Dollars. expect him to take Smithing for it. received a letter from George Freidt of Columbiana refusing to pay me until he is satisfied his Roof wont leak. wrote him a mild reply in which I granted him the use of my money until such time as he was satisfied with the roof provided he paid me interest on it. some colder at Bed time.

Feb 18 Cloudy & clear at intervals pleasant winter weather. called on Dr Schooley to try to cure Hellen of the Rheumatism. worked in the wood shop all Day. Bought a fat goose. Chalk Boone bought Benjamin Hollidays House on Foundry Hill for 6 Hundred Dollars. cheap. roads are good. engaged Jo Ball to haul me one cord of wood. Ben Jones took Supper with us.

Feb 19 Cloudy & cool frose pretty smart last night wind in north. remained very cold all Day. Mary Ann has taken the Scarlet fever complained first this morning before Day. we have Doc Stanton to attend on her. Took Hellen Down to Tom Sharp this afternoon. Bought Sis a Box of Paints but she is too poorly to play any. I shall not go to Bed to night.

Feb 20 Clear at 4 O'clock A M. have slept but little. Sis rested comparitively well all things reconed. Henry & the Boys played checkers until 1 O'clock. Henry went to bed at 2 O'clock. Sis has a high fever at Day light she is but little worse. we apply cold water to her head freely which keeps Down the fever. after breakfast I went up and got some phisic she took it. after it operated she felt much better. went to Schooleys mill Dam to skate the first time for 20 years 5 minutes was plenty. it is not the pleasure it `used to was'. as I came home stoped in to see the Locomotive. the Engineer wanted a wrench turned in and made him a good one. came home found Sis still improving. had a grand supper on roast goose. Lowry Hise is here and is going to stay all night. I shall be up most of the time cannot sleep when anything ails Sis. father Goulbourn is very poorly to Day.

Feb 21 Cloudy & cold pleasant winter weather with some snow last night. Ebeneser Fogs son called in to sell me some fire wood the first I have bought for 6 years. have for that time cut and hauled my own wood. should have Done so yet but am out of a team at present. Sis is still improving has just come out into the Sitting room herself. worked all Day at Brookes wagon. Sis mends slowly. Fogg brought us 2 loads of excellent wood. Anne Wilson Elizabeth Dickinson & Hannah Strawn were all three here to Day but I knew it not until they were gone. Set up with Sis. Jesse Taylor Killed on the R Road. 2 cars passed over his neck severing his head from Body.

Feb 22 Cloudy warm & wet rained some before Day. I laid Down at 1/2 past 2 and Margaret then got up to wait on Sis. I slept but poorly feel a little stupid. worked all Day in shop. Sis is still getting better. Borrowed 3 Dollars of John Thompson & paid Fred Bates I owed him that amount for coal. rained some all Day. am sitting up waiting on Sis. she is restless with fever. some colder at 11 O'clock P M. Jesse Taylor of Westville got killed on the Rail Road. he was conductor on gravel train 2 cars past over his neck severing his head from his Body.

Feb 23 Cloudy cold and snowing stormed good part of the night snow 2 inches deep and is still falling wind innorth. went to Rail Road for my money (but got it not). remained very cold all Day. Done some thing at our peddling wagon But too cold to work with any Satisfaction. Drawd 3 Dollars of Wm McCracken & paid John Thompson. Sis is still getting better was up most of the Day.

Feb 24 Cold very cold. got up late. hired Isaac Thompson to cut Brick wood gave him 37 1/2 cents per cord. worked at the wagon this afternoon. Sis is swelled considerable has just taken Dose of Castor Oil & Turpentine. Mother Hise was here this afternoon has been out to Sharpnacks a visiting. Says U____ is poorly. Sis at midnight is being phisicked and I hope will be better.

Feb 25 Cloudy & some warmer. Sis has a very sore neck stiff and pains her to move her head. she has no fever this morning but is feverish and no wonder. I know she feels bad. worked in shop. very warm snow about thawed off. Sold Wm Pidgeon 516 feet of my poplar boards. he is to give me 1.25 cents per hundred. Sold Wm Garrigues 180 feet of planks. Bought 1.00 worth of Sugar. I & the Boys went to the Ethiopean Concert not a very good one. Hannah Cline called to see us she is going to stay all night glad to see her. Mary Ready came at 12 M she is from Litchfield Medina Co Ohio. she is going to live with us one year. went to bed at 1 O'clock the 26th. Got a gold Watch of Tom Brooke cost 100 Doll.

Feb 26 Cloudy & warm all night. this morning Sis is getting well. her neck is much better of course. we all rejoice. Mary & Henry has gone up to See Abby Perry. was out to see Sarah McMillan She was then some better. went Down to Depot Saw Hutchinson the pay master. he promised to pay me next week. Doubtful I think. Hannah is still here. Henry is on another Bender. he is at Waltons that Hell hole up town. Wm & I went up

and took his violin home. I told Dave to keep him. Brot Marys trunk from Depot. freesing very little to night.

Feb 27 Cloudy & cool. Henry got home a little before Daylight. we got up at sunrise and all feel well. Sis is reading her little Dew Drop. went out to Joel McMillans and got him to haul a couple of loads of wood to Mother Hise. I chopped it she was not at home. Henry is up town expect he is Drunk if so I shall fasten him out unless he comes home early. I cannot have a Drunken Man about the House. I would like to keep him awhile when Sober but if he will persist in getting drunk he must stay where he gets his liquor. Mr Robinson called Down and we had a sociable chat. after he withdrew Mother Hise & Mary (Jesses wife) called in but would not stay long. thawed some all Day and at 4 O'clock looks like raining. Sis is stillgetting better. Margaret was up to see Father Goulbourn he is quite poorly.

Feb 28 Cloudy warm & wet rained some through the night. Henry came home some time in the night Drunk as Backus covered with mud had no Doubt been in the Ditch. put off this morning again. no doubt he will get more whiskey up town. I shall have to ship him. worked all Day on the wagon. rained some and is very muddy. lent Don Batton my 1 1/2 auger the first it was ever used. Sis is still getting better. Henry has come home at Dark as Drunk as the Devil. wrote a letter to Andrew Chaney of Allen Co Ohio.

Mar 1 Cloudy & warm. got up in good season. found on close examination that I had put on my front axle wrong end foremost. was forced to take it off cut it into three pieces & weld it up again which took until about noon. we however made a good Days work at the wagon. Henry has lost his pocket book has the horrors about it. I Dont pity him. Ben Jones took Supper with us and spent the evening. snowed a very little at noon but is warmer at Dark.

Mar 2 Cloudy & cooler ground frose some last night. got up at 6 and went out to farm got back before breakfast. went Down to Depot got the promise of what they owed me. Done considerable at the wagon. the town paid me back 2.91 cents. Bought some good butter. tried all Day to snow. at at 7 O'clock is snowing some the ground is covered. Henry is playing the violin & Mary has just been showing us some of her scenes in Dancing she is some I assure you. Hannah Cline called Down a few minutes. the Boys are both up town. Road Bad. Sis has got about well.

Mar 3 Cloudy & cool. snowed a little through the course of the Day. fine winter weather. put in the Day at the wagon. Joel Holloway brot us 2 bushels of potatoes the first we have had for some time. got a letter from Brother Jacob for Mother Hise announcing that George had arrived Safe in Oregon.

Mar 4 Cloudy & snowing snow 2 inches Deep. snowed & thawed most of the Day. worked in shop. Settled with John Hunt. he owed & paid me 3.75 cents. he sold his farm to Ben Scattergood for 35 Dollars per acre. some colder to night. Roads very rough.

Mar 5 Clear & cold at sunrise. finished rounding my spokes for T Meads wagon. Wm Smith blacked the irons on Pows wagon. heard at 1/2 past 11 O'clock that little Margaret Wilkins was Dead. she Died at 3 O'clock A M at Canfield. she had lived with Wm Hise for the last 2 years. she is to be buried here tomorrow. her Disease was that of Scarlet fever with one affection of the Lungs. she was 11 years old. Davidson Stidt Died to Day at 3 minutes past 4 O'clock P M his Disease was congestive fever. he lingered a long time very low. Finnon Howel returned to Day left Philadelphia yesterday at 8 O'clock A M arrived at 3 in the afternoon. he left Unkle Billy Tucker family all well on last wendsday. turned colder and snowed most of the afternoon. Henry C Wright took Diner with us. at 8 O'clock Henry is playing the violin and we are enjoying life.

Mar 6 Clear & pleasant at 7 O'clock but at 10 has clouded up and is raw & cold. attended the funeral of Margaret Wilkins. visited at Father Goulbourns until toward night. came home and found all well.

Mar 7 Cloudy & cold. got Philip Evans team & wagon hauled 3 tons of hay to town for Mother Hise am to get 6 Dollars per ton for it. at 3 O'clock I started for Canfield to See Joel Heck he owes me 39 Dollars. I could not get a Dollar of it got his Due Bill. started home at 10 minutes past 7 P M and a Darker night I never saw. over took Doc Moore at John Beonds rode in company with him as far as New Albany from there I was alone. got home about 10 O'clock and am very tired & sore. rained a little. Wm O Moore convicted of Murder in 2nd Degree. received his sentence to the Penintentiary During life at Canfield at 4 O'clock to Day. he was convicted of the Murder of Sarah Jane Stewart on the Night of the 17th of September last.

Mar 8 Cloudy & some colder snowing a little all Day but melts as it falls. very Disagreeable all Day. Paid Wm Reeps one Dollar. went to See Widow Sattenthwait about some money for Tom Sharpnack she could not promise it certain. Ben Jones took Supper & spent the evening with us. he talks of building this Sumer.

Mar 9 Cloudy & colder raw & wet rained hard through the night. waters high wind in South west. worked in wood shop all Day. Bought some iron etc. Ham went to his brother Daniels to tell him of the Death of Ezra Moones child. Mary our help is poorly. still horrid muddy.

Mar 10 Cloudy & colder ground frose this morning not going to that much to Day. Mary is well this morning. Ham has got back at 7 O'clock. thawed but little to Day. Bought all of the Brick wood of Wm Fawcett that he is getting cut (on his lot he bought of Ben Hawley) for one Dollar per cord on the ground. Bought some good butter. made some posts and showed Jesse Hise how to paper his kitchen. Margaret & Sis was visiting there this afternoon.

Mar 12 Cloudy & rather cool to be right pleasant. got up early & bought some excellent beef cost 8 cents per pound. Sawed up 30 good gum hubs and bored an inch & 1/2 auger hole through them & feel tired in consequence. played checkers with Dave. went late to

bed.

Mar 13 Cloudy & wet very muddy. worked in shop most of the Day. went out to Mother Hises at 5 O'clock P M to take supper with her all her family was with her. got back at Dark. Old Daniel Cook Died to Day he lived 4 miles north of town & was very rich but Death treats him precisely as he Does the poor man. Henry is playing the violin & we are all enjoying ourselves. Sis is staying with her grandmother. Dark as midnight at 8 O'clock. we all went up to Charley Thomas and had some good Music. got back at 1/2 past Ten. went to bed at 12.

Mar 14 Cloudy & warmer. got up late. Hellen swept out the Room she is getting better. after breakfast Margaret Mary & I took a walk Down the Rail Road. went as far as Schooleys Mill. from there to Joel McMillans. Sarah is getting better. we called at Mother Hises and took Diner. brot a load of Dishes home with us. Anne Wilson and E Vickers called in. Mary & Henry Boone has gone Down to see Abby. Mud has dried up fast to Day.

Mar 15 Cloudy & colder ground frose some and is snowing a little at 1/2 past 6 O'clock. want to move Mother Hise to Day. so cold I Dread the job but got commenced about 9 O'clock. wind blowed hard from northwest all Day and is as cold as it Did any Day this winter. suffered more with the cold than I have any Day previous. hauled ourselves a load of wood. roads as bad as can be. sat round the fire until 9 P M. Bought a hind quarter of beef of A Wilson cost about 5.00. going to freese hard to night.

Mar 15 Cloudy & most Darned cold. John Bennett moves to Day. will have a cold job of it. took out a stove and pipe and set it up. warmed the House against they got there. it was afternoon when they arrived with the first load then hitched "Old Mike" to the carriage and brot Mother Hise in with me. Margaret begged 4 Dollars and 40 cents with it Hellen is going to start to Canada. set the bed on our Peddling wagon looks fine. took our little stove up for Mother Hise. went up to see Anne Wilson but she was not at home. Hannah Cline came home with me. went to bed late.

Mar 16 Clear & looks Delightful out Doors. sawed up my paling stuff. took Hellen to Depot saw her off. asked the pay master for my pay but got nothing but a promise which is no use to me. worked in the shop in the afternoon. Rheuben Howard has returned he has got all the money he wants. he will now return and bring his family to Ohio. went to bed at 10.

Mar 17 Cloudy & warmer. attended John Hunts sale. Bought a wind mill for 4 Dollars & 5 cents. made a Bargain with Ham & Bill to quit making Coffee for one year. am to give them each a five Dollar vest. Margaret Sis & grandmother Hise went Down to Fred Sheets one of his children is Sick. went out to Farm. John Bennett & I took a walk round & laid out our work for the Summer. got back at Dark. Ben Jones spent the evening here.

Mar 18 Cloudy & wet. rained some last night. Paid Aaron Wilson for beef 4.75. worked all Day on Peddling wagon got it about Done. got 10 Bushel of wheat ground. roads muddy. Ball up town. Mary has gone with Henry Boone not to Diner but to look on. Rheuben is still here.

Mar 19 Clear & beautiful fine sugar Day. accepted a Draft on me for fifty Dollars given by James Howard of Pittsburg. went out to see Jonathan Stanley but he was not at home. Done but little work to Day. got Rheubens likeness. wrote a letter to John Hise. Hannah Cline is here going to stay all night.

Mar 20 Partially clear. took Old Kate out to farm. made a large chair for poor Old Winnie a collored Neighbor she is far gone with Dropsey. went out to Gordons and met Margaret & Sis there they had gone first. got plenty of Sugar come home before Dark. Jane & Ike was there came in the afternoon. we offered them a seat in the carriage but they Declined it. Hannah is here going to stay all night. Charles Grissell is here with us.

Mar 21 Only partially clear fine spring weather. sold 357 lb scrap iron for 1 1/2 cents per lb. hauled Down my palings for front fence. Rheuben & I went out to the farm and got three sugar trees and sett them out in the door yard. spent the evening in town. Charles Grissell went home this afternoon. clear & moon light very pleasant except the Roads which are very muddy. was told by Charles Grissell that his favorite Dog got accidently covered up in a straw stack where he remained 21 Days before he Discovered him alive but very much reduced. he went Directly to the creek for Drink and soon revived again.

Mar 22 Clear & pleasant. Rheuben hauled 3 loads of chips. I rimed one wheel. this afternoon Rheuben & I brot home a fine lot of Sugar trees and set them out. clear & moon light. Old Winnie Died at 1/2 past 8 O'clock. henry is playing the violin.

Mar 23 Cloudy & some cooler. rimed one wagon wheel. got my money from Rail Road Co $230.32 cents. Bill McCracken Paid me 10.00. Deposited 253.00 in Bank. worked in shop most of the Day. Winnie was buried at 3 O'clock. Snowed very fast at noon. Rheuben went to New Lisbon got back at Dark. went early to bed. Ham has a sore thumb.

Mar 24 Cloudy with some snow on the ground. got up late. worked in shop most of the Day. raw and cool al Day.

Mar 25 Clear at Sunrise but soon clouded up. warm at times through the Day. finished Tom Meads wheels. lent Brooke & Vickers 30 Dollars. got Rheuben to haul Mahlon Kirkbride 41 hundred brick hauled them from Levi Wharton on Green St. Hannah Cline spent the evening here and then went to Columbiana. wrote a letter to Jas Howard & Co Pittsburg.

Mar 26 Cloudy & wet is raining at 7 O'clock A M. got up late Done but little in shop. made a Jack screw for Brooke & Vickers. laid cast iron pipe for R R Co this afternoon.

Ben Jones took Supper & spent the evening with us. turned much colder about 4 O'clock P M.

Mar 27 Cloudy & colder snowed a little is Disagreeable being wet. got up very late. expect to attend the meeting of the Executive Committee at the W A S S at 11 O'clock. the Boys & I went out to the farm. Toook out 7 hens. Cleaned out the well and _____. Cold & stormy snowed some. Hacob Heatons Father was buried this afternoon. Joel Bonsall & Rebecca Sharp spent the evening some. Went late to bed.

Mar 28 Snowing fast at 6 O'clock. ground covered to the Depth of 2 inches. made a wagon Bed for Jo Ball. Brooke & Vickers returned the money borrowed on last Friday. Borrowed 5 Dollars of John Thompson. Paid Mr Frederic for coal. Margaret visited Mother Hise this afternoon. went up town a short time this evening. Cloudy & cold all Day.

Mar 29 Clear and warm early but soon clouded up. went out to farm Rheuben & I helped John haul logs. I came home at noon and finished off the New Peddling wagon and then went Back to the farm. Bill McCracken paid me 10 Dollars on his rent. Ben Jones & Amos Gilbert took Supper with us. the later staid all night.

Mar 30 Cloudy & warm worked all Day in the clearing. got the logs all heaped and part burnt worked hard all Day. got a wagon to iron for John Grimsey. plenty of work in shop. roads Dried very fast. Allen Forker & his wife has separated. rented one of my Houses to Alfred Sheets for 35 Dollars. cleared off & was warm most of the Day. Amos Gilbert here.

Mar 31 Cloudy & looks like raining. went out to Farm with John Bennett. hitched up the colt. Brot Old Mike intending to Do some Hauling but found so much else to Do I could not. got a letter from John Hise. made awning for Jehu Fawcett and Done Divers other things too tedious to mention. Old Rheuben Howard started for home this morning. he lives in Virginia.

Apr 1 Cloudy & rained a little. Albert Silver paid me 23 Dollars rent money he owes me 7 yet. Settled with Allen Forker he owed and paid me 6.74. put up our awning. Bot some articles at ____ Sale amounting to 1.20. Brot up 10 peices of Tared paper from Depot put it in Heatons cellar. hauled Amos Gilberts Trunk to Depot from John Gibbons. Mary has gone to hear the Hindas Fikar. Margaret Sis & I are here alone & what a treat it is. I was urged to serve as supervisor but Declined as I will not take the Oath of office which requires me to Support the Constitution of the United States but that is one of the things I Do not Do. I trample it underfoot and loathe some of its provisions.

Apr 2 Clear & most Delightful all Day. worked some in shop. put up awning for George Weaver. Jesse Hawley paid me 12.70. Deposited 6 Dollars. paid James Barnaby 2.75 for my coat. ground up my axe complete. got a new plowshare wrote the work off my slates. Harry & Mary are up town. at 1/2 past 10 P M Margaret is on the Bed asleep and I am

amusing myself by Jotting it all Down.

Apr 3 Cloudy & looks very much like rain. got up late. wooded & painted my plow. went out to farm and bored the top off a large sugar tree about 30 feet from the ground. came home about 2 O'clock. spent part of the afternoon and took Supper with Jane and Ike Trescott. Ben Jones & Henry Lewis was there also. I attended a temperance Lecture Delivered by the Hindoo Prince he made a pretty fair speech. came home & found Margaret & Sis was still at Jones. Ben & Henry came Down with us. went to bed late. rested poor was up several times in the night.

Apr 4 Cloudy & Drisseling rain. got up late worked all Day in shop. Paid L L Moore 26.50 the Ballance on my pland Road Stock. gave him a check on the Bank. snowed fast all the afternoon. J N Pierce asked me to endorse in Bank for him I Declined Doing so. rather horrendous business. Dont like it. made a bargain with Cris Hineman to help me make Brick all Summer. am to give him 10 Dollars per month until we commence Moulding then he is to have 13 Dollars. David Cunningham is my other hand. give him 14 Dollars from the jump.

Apr 5 Cloudy & cold. stormed all night considerable snow this morning with strong blustering cold wind. finished my wheelbarrow. felt so unwellthat I quit work at noon. Done some chores about town. John Deming paid 13 Dollars on his note that Mother holds against him. I deposited twenty five Dollars in Bank. Bought 1/4 of a Ream of first rate paper for 90 cents of Joel McMillan. wrote a letter to John Hise. read the Liberator until late.

Apr 6 Cloudy with cold wind from the west. feel poorly still. shall not Do much hard work to Day. went to Jesse Hawleys and brot my gravel Roof tools up was a Disagreeable trip. rained and was raw & cold. paid John Fawcett 235.00 gave him a check to Bank. it was to lift a note held against John Hise given in payment for the farm I bought and which I have to redeem. he has two more yet that I must pay. Margaret & I went to hear the Hindoo. he is some. clear at Bedtime.

Apr 7 Foggy & cool some frost. think it will clear off after a while. Hauled Mother Hise a load of chips. worked some in shop. Ben Jones took Supper with us. Mary & Sis has gone to hear the Hindoo. played some checkers. Cris Hineman commenced working for me to Day at noon. he is out on the farm.

Apr 8 Clear & pleasant quite windy. Bought a rope for my Derick cost 1.16 paid for it. Put on a gravel Roof for Doc Cary only cost him 8.40. Dave helped me. got a pear tree of Phillip Evans sett it out on the farm. clouded up and rained at sundown. an alarm of fire at Dark but it was only a chimney on fire.

Apr 9 Clear & cool windy. hauled Rails and helped fence inour corn ground. got done before night. got my watch again like it much better with the new cases. Ben Jones spent the Evening with us. Henry played the violin.

Apr 10 Clear & windy as cold as yesterday. Margaret & Sis and Mother Hise has gone to Sharpnacks. paid Mary 3 Dollars. sett in a set of skenes and must now shore & ____. spent most of the afternoon up town. attended a temperance meeting in Town Hall also attended a meeting addressed by Joseph Barker a review of Doc Nelsons cause 7 cure of infidelity. he showed conclusively that the Doc lied. the Bible in my opinion cannot be Defended without resorting to falsehood & Deception. still cold and windy at 9 O'clock.

Apr 11 Clear & cool. got up early. David Cunningham commenced work to Day. I worked in shop most of the Day. not so cold as yesterday.

Apr 12 Cloudy & raining at sunrise. worked in shop until noon. Dave & Cris chopped wood this afternoon. Bought a new axe of Ben Hawley for one Dollar. paid off a check of fifty Dollars from Jos Howard & Co of Pittsburg. feel a little unwell at Dark shall eat no supper. Ben Jones took Supper and spent the evening with us. Joseph Barker bought Ben Antrims farm glad of it. Ben Jones values his lot one hundred Dollars more in consequence of Barkers Settling in this vicinity. raining at 9 O'clock.

Apr 13 Cloudy & raining. got up rather late. worked in shop all Day. got a letter out of the office Directed to John Hise from George Hise of Oregon. he is getting along well. lots of letters from California to Day. rained all Day. the Boys have gone fishing. grass is growing very fast. wind blows hard at 9 O'clock. Bought a wagon of Moris Howe gave him 15 Dollars for it it is but the ironing. very Dark.

Apr 14 Cloudy wet & cold. worked in shop most of the Day. very Disagreeable out Doors all Day. I have nothing special to record to night.

Apr 15 Clear & cool ground frose a little. Cris & Dave is cutting Brick wood. the R R Co paid me a small bill they owed me. helped the Boys split rails most of the afternoon. Bought a fine fresh fish and some good butter. Chaney P Fletcher is in town to Day back from Indiana. Lewis Phillips started East with a Drove of Horses.

Apr 16 Cloudy & cool. all hands at work in the Brick yard. worked in the shop until noon. sold & helped haul a load of Hay to our new Neighbor McDonald. rained most of the afternoon. Hannah Cline & Mary Dumont spent the evening with us went home later. Harry played the violin.

Apr 17 Partially clear got up late made woodwork of Cultivator before breakfast. looked at a hog belonging to Eli Davidson. John Bennett & I want to buy it but considered it too Dear & let it slide. wind blows rather cool to be pleasant. spent some time at Father Goulbourns some time at Charles Strattons. Hannah Cline ____ of Snyders Daughters after which they all spent some time in Jumping the Rope. Margaret can beat any of them. went early to bed.

Apr 18 Clear & pleasant. made us a spread chain & sharpened up our plow and after

breakfast Dave & I went out to the farm and John & Dave commenced plowing. they have 2 horses & a yoke of oxen. the latter belongs to Jo Ball. hitched up Kate by herself for the first time she worked well. hauled some scantling & fence posts from Lewis Williamson. roads Dry but very Rutty. Drawed all my Money out of Bank. I have been unwell all Day. Hannah is here as I write at 1/2 past 8.

Apr 19 Cloudy & unpleasant. went Down to R R and picked out John Garwoods iron. in the afternoon went out to Israel Barbers to secure the use of some Money for Sam Sharpnack. Did not get it certain will know tomorrow. paid Mother Hise 23.50 and owe her 8 Dollars yet. settled with the School Directors got no money. they owe me 44 Dollars. rained all the afternoon with cold wind from south East. Ben Jones is here to night.

Apr 20 Clear & pleasant. worked most of the Day in shop made a harrow. Bought a Barrel of Sugar of Johnson & Harper weighed 214 lb cost 12.84. Bought a good shoulder of meat cost 7 cents per lb. Ben Holliday paid me 4 Dollars Allen Forker 2. sold Ben Holiday a cultivator for 5 Dollars he did not pay for it. Ben Jones commenced Boarding with us. moon shines Bright. Margaret is busy cutting carpet rags.

Apr 21 Clear & pleasant. worked some in shop. put on a small gravel Roof for C B Stratton. roads are pretty good. Charles Griffing calledDown to rent a house. we all took a walk up the plank walk. Hannah Cline was with us. John & Dave finished our corn ground. moon shines very beautifully at 8 O'clock.

Apr 22 Cloudy & looks like rain. Dave hauled gravel for Strattons roof. I attended Moores sale. Bought 11.64 cents worth of stuff among which was some very fine hens Dried Rasberries etc. got home at Sundown. rained some showers and wind blowed hard all Day. Bought 1.10 cents worth of good beef. cloudy & windy at 8 O'clock.

Apr 23 Cloudy & coolish. worked hard all Day. made a wagon bed for Bill Pidgeon. Ham got a pair of New Boots of Enos Eldridge cost 4.50 paid 3 of it. tired to night. Ben has gone out to Strattons to get Forrest trees. rained at 10 O'clock P M.

Apr 24 Cloudy & cold rained considerable last night. finished & painted my wheelbarrow. ____ my Bugles. spent some time up town. Sister Phebe is here with her little girl. Mary Sharpnack is here she has grown to be a young woman. Hannah Cline is here to night. rains so she cannot get home. Henry is playing the violin for the last time for awhile.

Apr 25 Cloudy cool & wet rained all night. spring is very late but little Oats sowed yet. made a harrow for Ben Hawley. laid a plow for Ben Scattergood. put up the Stalls in the ____ of our Stable. cleared off nice at 8 O'clock. Henry Boone has gone to Columbiana went to Day at 3 O'clock. made me a present of a beautiful gold Pen with which I am now recording the same. Paid Mary to Day 3 Dollars.

Apr 26 Clear & cold ground frose considerable. got up early Bought 73 cents worth of good beef. employed E M Edwards Attorney to write a Mortgage on a 40 acre lot 5 miles north of Salem belonging to S S for $450. took Kate and the new Buggy and went up to see Wm Townsend. put up the Colt and gave it a pail of Oats and took a bite of good Pie myself. came home by S Sharpnacks but he was absent waited until 2 O'clock P M and started home. met Isaac Trescott with one of his Horses Down in a mud hole. stopped and help get him up then seeing him start I put for home at which place I reached soon after as the state of the roads would admit. finished off 2 stalls in the new Stable.

Apr 27 Clear cool & pleasant. want to haul brick to Johnson & Harris to Day. got Ike Crumrines Mare hitched her with the Colt they make a good team. hauled 8 loads then turned out _____ a Horse of McCracken and went Down to Wm Cooks and Bought a cow gave 22 Dollars for her gave him my Due Bill. left her at Abraham Shinns want to go in the morning & take to the Farm. clear & warm all Day.

Apr 28 Clear & pleasant. got up at Day break. Wm & I went Down after our Cow. found she had calved and was forced to leave her another Day. hauled 15 loads of brick and hooped 12 wheels. Hamilton made the tine. a little cloudy to night looks some like rain. Margaret Bought herself a new Bonnet I promised & shoes is up town as I write. John Goulbourn has returned from the Insane Asylum where he has been about one year without receiving any benefit.

Apr 29 Cloudy & clear at intervals. got up early & went & brought our cow she is Doing well. hauled Brick until noon. commenced raining at 1/2 past 11 O'clock. Done but little in the afternoon am very unwell. Splendid Ball at Forker House to night. Mary is going. took a short walk but went to bed early. Joseph Englands wife Died to Day. cold & chilly.

Apr 30 Clear & beautiful. hauled Brick all Day. had 2 teams this afternoon. Joseph Englands wife Buried at 4 O'clock. Mary Beaumont is here this evening. I am too tired & stupid to write more.

May 1 Clear & pleasant. got up late went out to farm and brot in "Old Mike" shod & hitched him to the carriage & Margaret Sis & I went up to Aunt Ann Townsends. Bought a cow & brot her home with us. I lead her & Margaret Drove the Horse home. the Calf got very tired and to help the mater some fool ran a Horse & Buggy over it as I came Down High Street. clouded up about 6 O'clock & commenced to rain. got home about 8 O'clock. found Mary had got up. left her in Bed at 1/2 past ten this forenoon. I had as well record the price & maner in which I am to pay for the Cow. I am to iron the Gearing of a 2 Horse waggon valued at 16 Dollars for her. she is small but looks like the makings of a good Cow. has one fault I think that can be overcome.

May 2 Clear & warm. got up early took the Cow & calf out to the farm. hauled Brick all Day. Paid Wm Reeps 11.80 for making the gearing of of Brooks Peddling wagon. clouded up and looked like rain all Day but rained none of account. met with Allen

Fairfax of Canada. he is now playing the violin. He thinks of moving back to the States. he is Slave that fled to Canada on the passage of the infamous Fugitive Slave law.

May 3 Partially clear & very pleasant with considerable rain last night. got up early & bought some Beef it cost 9 cents per pound. we get Evans Team to Day & shall haul Brick with two. Timothy Gee has gone to Jennings Co. Ind. to buy a farm. he & Father Goulbourn expects to move Down there. Crumrines Sold their Mare & I was throwed out of a team this afternoon. went to Jo Balls in quest of a Horse but they are all in use. Rained hard at 4 O'clock is cloudy & warm at 8. am tired and Sleepy shall apply the remedy (sleep)

May 4 Cloudy & warm. grass growing very fast. I am so unwell that I shall not haul to Day. made Joseph barker a Harrow. Bought some good Butter. Allen Fairfax took breakfast with us. rained at Sundown and is still Drisseling at 9. Dark & muddy.

May 5 Cloudy & wet. went out to the farm before breakfast. spent the forenoon hunting a Horse. talk something of buying one of Uriah Wilson. he & I hitched him and traveled a load of wood with him he works well. rained hard at 5 O'clock. brookes are swelled smartly. Margaret was up town all Day helping to watch John Goulbourn he is worse than usual. he throwed several Bricks through Thompsons window. is better at Dark. made Joseph Barker a sett of plow Doubletrees. shall go early to Bed.

May 6 Cloudy & wet. rained hard last night waters high this morning. Bought the Black Horse of Uriah Wilson. gave him a note on A W & F M Wilson for 40 Dollars and one on Joel Heck of Canfield for 39 Dollars with interest on the two amounting in all to 80 Dollars and 19 cents. he owed me 50 cents on Book. Ballanced that and took the Horse I think he is a good one. shod him all Round. rained most of the Day Roads very muddy.

May 7 Cloudy & cool. Dave & Cris is out helping John Bennett clean up a potatoe patch. worked in wood shop commenced a cutting box for myself. in the afternoon went out to farm & got some eggs. got a letter from Henry Boone he is at Cleveland Doing well. John Kellya Collored Man from Cincinnatti paid me 2 Dollars he has owed me 2 years. all right took a Dose of Rheu___ & Magnezium feel the better of it. no rain of any consequence to Day.

May 8 Cloudy & a little cool. finished the wood work of my cutting Box. Ham & Sis is going to take a Buggy ride with our new Horse. took the colt out to Jo Balls to pasture. called at Tom Wilson eat a little supper. came home found Hannah Cline here. Margaret & Sis was out to Pine hollow. Hannah helped get supper.

May 9 Clear. got up early finished my cutting box which is a good one. repaired Books peddling wagon. Bought some Oats and a close line. paid Moris Howe 15 Dollars for the wagon I bought of him a couple of weeks ago. clouded up & rained at 4 O'clock. at 8 is real wet & cold. no prospect of making Brick yet. shall go right to bed.

May 10 Partially clear & cool. got up late Bought 1.17 cents worth of Beef. hauled up our tools intending to put on gravel roof for Heaton but looked so much like rain gave it out. went to farm & hauled out the wood off of corn ground. brot our ____ for ____ in with us. Joseph Barker paid me for his Harrow & I ____ _____. Dave and Cris framed in our Door yard. Mother Hise got a letter from John Hise and I have just finishedan answer to it. rained and hailed some this afternoon. cloudy at 9 O'clock P M.

May 11 Partially clear. got up in good time. Benjamin Jones returned at 11 O'clock. left ____ at Plymouth well on yesterday morning. put Heaton's gravel Roof on. got the paper laid & Pitched by 10 O'clock. hauled 2 loads of gravel. commenced at 4 O'clock to rain and continued until bedtime. Mary is up at Farquhar House to a Dance. Bought 1 Barrel of Flour cost 4 37/100 and 1/2 Barrel of White fish cost 5 07/100. am some unwell at Bedtime.

May 12 Cloudy & cold. brot my wind mill home. hauled in some sheaf Oats in the afternoon. hauled 2 loads of gravel for road. hands so numb with the cold that it was with Difficulty I could unharness the Horses. cleared off cold at sundown. went early to Bed.

May 13 Clear with stiff frost. sett in some skenes & hauled 2 more loads of gravel which finished the job. in the afternoon brot some forks for brick shed. got 3 1/2 lb of good butter from the farm the first we have had from there. on bringing it to the House Discoveed some one had dug under our smoke House. on opening the Door found our last Ham was gone. some of Reals & Williams lost some also. pleasant all Day. ground Dried very fast.

May 14 Clear & cool early with stiff frost. set in some skenes. put up our brick shed Poles. Done but little this forenoon except to put up a Sgn for H H Allen. Bought 65 lb Bacon at 10 cents per lb. Dave & Cris hauled brick this afternoon. Bought me a pair of new boots of Charley Stratton cost 3.25 cents. the majority of legal voters in Salem School District decided to come under and to adopt the Union School System 30 majority in its favor. clear & warmer at 8 o'clock. (Shad ran high Quaker quarterly meeting).

May 15 Clear & warm. got up early & went with Ben Jones to John Hilliards. he engaged a yoke of oxen & Driver to haul stone off of his lot. brot a beech board home from the farm to make a pair of brick moulds. made an ox yoke for Isaac Thomas. Aunty Everess was taken very bad last night. Does not look as though she would live an hour. was with her Margart & I most of the afternoon.

May 16 Cloudy & looks some like rain. sat up last night with Aunty. she revived up a little about midnight but soon sank back to a kind of nervous stupor and is no better when I write (at noon). Bought a nice hoe for 37 1/2 cents. Margaret is still up at Father Goulbourns. Wm Hise was down but did not stay long. the Stone Masons commenced Johnson & Thomas's store house to Day. rained a very little & is just now very pleasant. finished hauling brickat noon. hauled 2 loads of sand. took a short nap During the

shower. rained at 4 O'clock. spent most of the afternoon up town. Drew 10 Dollars of Enos Eldridge paid Joel McMillan 10 Dollars borrowed money. Aunty Eveness Died at 1/2 past 4 this afternoon is to be buried at 10 on Wednesday. she made no motions for the last 7 hours. she was in her 60th year. got a letter from Henry Brown of Canfield informing me that Heck refused to pay the 10 Dollars that I owe him. I will pay him myself soon.

May 17 Cloudy & warm. got up early but not soon enough to get good beef. took such as there was and come home. Dave Cris & I went out to the farm cut Down and pealed a large white Oak it took until noon. in the afternoon they are hauling out manure. George Henshilwood is making my brickmoulds. got Don Bolton to rip out stuff for shovel plows. cleared off and is very pleasant at 3 O'clock. Mrs. Post's child is is buried to Day. Reason Bricker Paid me 7 Dollars for house rent. he pays it quarterly in advance. took a walk with Benjamin Jones to look at a place we had sighted for a Union School House and from there to his lot and from there I met Margaret by a previous arrangement at Father Goulbourn's. came home early and shall go to bed.

May 18 Cloudy & rainy. rained most of the night. cleared off about 9 O'clock. attended the funeral of Aunty Everess. Dave has the team helping Benjamin haul his Boards Down. got home at noon too wet to work on the Brick yard. rained hard toward night. made out a bill of Lumber for Mother Hise's house. raining hard at 9 O'clock waters high. Rail Road bridge west of Wooster washed away. no arrivals of cars from west of there to Day. Sis has the Measels thick to night and is sweating at a round rate. offered my Black Horse for Sale but he is too thin in flesh to sell. lets go to bed.

May 19 Cloudy & cold. wind blows & howls as though it were February instead of May it should clear off. good by to the Fruit. Bought Oil cloth carpet for Sitting room. cold & raw with a little snow. Dave & Cris is cutting Brick wood. clearing off ready for frost. Hannah Cline is spending the evening with us.

May 20 Cloudy & frosty. got up early & bought 1.30 cents worth of good Beef. made a shovel plow. Margaret & I took a short ride in the Buggy but our Horse Demured and we soon came back. Isaac Thomas took his wagon away. clear & moonlight. Sis has the Measles. I am too tired to write more.

May 21 Clear & pleasant all Day. plowed our corn patch. Bought & put Down Oil cloth on Sitting Room cost 11 79/100. Johnson Horner got it for me. Hannah Cline called Down but did not stay but a few minutes

May 22 Clear & pleasant. hired my Buggy to Manley the Artist. Sis has the Measles Bad. they are coming out on her right well. Mr & Mrs Gordon paid us a visit to Day. They took a walk out to our farm. they started home in good time. Mary Hafley took Dinner with us. Sis is very restless her Measles are out thick. looks a little like rain at sundown. Hannah came over to spend the evening but was taken away by Doc _____. Margaret & I are home alone. Sis is restless at 10 O'clock.

May 23 Cloudy with some rain before Day Light. all hands are going out to plant corn for John Bennett. I worked some in shop in the afternoon and hauled one load of Sand and one of gravel for Sim Webber's roof. Sis is getting better. no rain. John got his corn planted before night.

May 24 Clear & cool got up early commenced making Brick. made 4500 for I Street. got Jesse Riggs and he & I put on the Roof for Jim Webb. got Done at noon. harrowed my corn ground this afternoon. Hannah took supper with us. cold with wind in North west. be hard frost to night. Bought 12 Bushels of potatoes of Joel McMillan at 3 shillings per Bushel.

May 25 Cloudy. Bought iron for shovel plows. got a yoke of oxen of Jo Ball & helped John Bennett plow up a piece of ground for potatoes. rained most of the afternoon. Sis is getting well. took a nap in the Robe.

May 26 Clear but cool too cool for corn to grow that has come up. worked in shop until noon. made a road scraper & finished a Shovel plow for Votaw of Goshen. hauled 2 loads of wood & 1 load of Boards. clear at 8 O'clock P M. John Leeman's child Died with Scarlet fever. Cary Doctored it. heard from John Hise he is Doing well. must now retire.

May 27 Cloudy & threatens rain. got up in good season. finished a cultivator, hauled 5 loads of Boards from Schooley's Mill. cleared of warm. Ben Jones is planting his corn the first he ever planted. Lawrence Webster's Wife was found Dead in her bed this morning. she left an infant but one week old. James Campbell's Wife also Died with the Sore throat to Day left a babe of the same age.

May 28 Clear. got up in good time worked in shop until breakfast then hitched up team & hauled one load of sand. Bought 1000 pounds of scrap iron of judge W T Smith gave him my Due bill for 15 Dollars for it. took the last of my wheat to mill. repaired Jenny's Buggy. very warm all Day. marked out my corn ground. another of John Leemon's children was buried to Day. Died with the Scarlet fever.

May 29 Clear & pleasant. got up early. Margaret & I took a very pleasant walk round to the Depot & home again. I hitched Bill to the Buggy & went out to the farm. Brot in my seed corn & some Butter. planted potatoes got Done at 3 O'clock P M. Sarah Galbreath took Super with us. John Deming also. the latter got new Carriage to go to Ashtabula Co. took Sis a buggy ride. Margaret & I went round to see Old Mr and Mrs Casselberry of Montgomery Co Pennsylvania. they start home tomorrow.

May 30 Cloudy & looks like rain. planted some of my corn. Votaw came Paid for & took away his shovel plow. Joseph Barker started East to attend a Bible Convention to be held in Old Hartford Connecticut. Bought a shovel plow of me for 4 Dollars. helped Hamilton make a sett of Cultivator teeth. repaired Samuel Chessman's Roof. worked

some in the wood shop. Archibald Woods Horse Ran off with him hurt him Bad & broke his Nephews leg in 2 places below the knee. rained a little and is much colder at 8 O'clock. went to Depot and took leave of Old Mr & Mrs Castleberry. they started for home at 2 O'clock. Mary Beaumont is here spending the evening with us. she is busy sewing up a thin coat. Margaret & Sis was up to Henshilwoods this afternoon.

May 31 Clear & warmer. got up at 2 O'clock A M Bought 10 lbs of good Beef. hauled 3 loads of sand & some soil. Aunt Jane is here to dinner. worked in shop this afternoon. Read the Liberator until late.

Jun 1 Clear & warm. worked in the shop until noon. hitched up the team took the sewing circle Down to Sarah McMillans. went to mill hauled in some sheaf Oats and Ham & I split & brot home a load of stone 2 of which is for Father Hises Tomb. went again at sunsett & brot the Ladies Back 11 in number which made a good load for the team. Some little prospect of Rain the ground is now quite Dry. shall go Directly to bed at 1/4 to 9.

Jun 2 Clear 7 warm. Dressed the Tomb Stone & hooped 8 wheels. Jacob Painter paid of his Due Bill (25 Dollars). John Heddleson took away & paid for a cultivator for John Kelly. looks some like rain at Dark. Sis is unwell I am afraid she is taking the inflamatory Rheumatism. John Lemons Other child is Dead which makes 3 he has lost in a week. must go soon to Bed.

Jun 3 Some cloudy with little or no rain last night. Sis took medicine which operated several times through the night. I rested poorly having a bowel complaint. got up early & finished planting corn. got Jesse Hise to help me sett Fathers Tomb Stone we made a good job of it. Sis appears better at 10 O'clock A M. worked in shop in the afternoon made the woodwork of a corn harrow for myself.

Jun 4 Cloudy & coolish has been raining somewhere last night. worked at our harrow & cultivator. C B Fletcher came to town to Day. applied to me for some work of course I will Do it for him. expect to work most of the Day tomorrow. Margaret Mary & I took a walk Down to see the cars come in. got a letter from Henry Boone.

Jun 5 Clear & warm. got up early & went to work made 1/2 Doz Ax Handles & several other articles for Fletcher. Attended the Executive Committee at 2 O'clock. started on Horse Back for J F Dickinsons Elizabeth is Bad sick. got Back at 8 O'clock. Margaret & Hannah Strawn & Sis went up at 9 O'clock this morning. Took Old Mike & Buggy. Douglass boys are all 3 here & Henry Boone Likewise.

Jun 6 Clear & warm. Fletcher got & Paid for his tools 3.87 cents. Douglass Boys started for home at 7 O'clock A M. worked some in shop. commenced raining about 4 O'clock had a good rain.

Jun 7 Some cloudy. Made some garden sett out Tomatoes & hauled a load of poles & made a fence round corn. Took Mother Hise out to Widow Rob't Woods to see

Archibald Wood he is bad hurt. his leg is likely to mortify. at 4 O'clock had a rather shower after which it is much cooler. Margaret is laying Down to rest. Made a grindstone shaft for Fletcher and Tom Rineman on order on Johnson & Howard for 15 Dollars. is clear at 1/2 past 7 P M. Henry Boone & Griffing came Down at 9 O'clock. Amos Gilbert is going to stay all night.

Jun 8 Clear & warm. Amos took breakfast with us at 8 O'clock

Jun 9 Clear & pleasant. Ebeneazer Fragg got his cultivator. hauled sand from Painters 2 loads, 1 load of Scantling & 1 each of gravel from Schooleys Mill. very warm all Day. Bought a quarter of fine mutton cost 70 cents.

Jun 10 Clear & warm. Bought some fat Beef for Soup. Hauled 2 loads of Sand for Brickyard & 1 load of gravel & finished Simeon Webbs Roof. very hot this afternoon. at 9 O'clock looks like Rain. sawed out some Ax Handles for C P Fletcher. feel all right at Bedtime.

Jun 11 Clear & cooler. got up early and made 18 Adz Handles & sent them to Crestine (Crestline?) for C B Fletcher. made a gate for Wm Rey. the O & Pa R R Co paid for it. Bought 3 pigs of Josh Holloway paid him one Dollar a piece for them. looks some like rain. Ben Jones is occupied in collecting and managing the minutes of the W A S Society since its organization in 1845. he is doing it up as it should be in apple Pie order.

Jun 12 Clear & warm. took my tools up to Berlin & put on a small gravel Roof for John Shin Jr. cost him but 3 30/100 he paid me. got home at 6 O'clock. looks some like rain at 9 O'clock (replanted my corn).

Jun 13 Clear & warm. made myself a wheelbarrow. took a walk with Ben Jones to look at his corn. settled with Simeon Jennings. he owed and paid me $6.62 cents. called in to see Anne Wilson. spent afternoon in shop. paid Pete Hineman one Dollar owe him one yet. at 1/2 past 9 I will turn in.

Jun 14 clear & pleasant. Bought Beef & Mutton. made 2 shovel plows & worked some at my wheelbarrow. threatened rain but Did not. got a letter from John Hise. ____ out & I called in a short time. Charles is unwell.

Jun 15 Clear & warm no rain yet. made 2 matocks for C. P. Fletcher & Co. took a load of Women Down to Benj Bowens to attend the Sewing Circle. Benj Bowen & I took a walk over to Wm Cooks. I wanted to buy a 3 year old Mare of him but he asks too much for her. got Back at 8 O'clock. threatened rain at Sundown but none fell.

Jun 16 Clear & warm. got up in good time. Bought some iron for matocks. Mary Ready our hired help left us this morning but not without our invitation to Do so. She is small Potatoes & few in a hill. was to several places to get another but could not for awhile yet. can Do without. made a Box & packed & packed up _____ moddle bridge & sent it by

Adams & Co Express to Baltimore. Directed to Wm G W Jaegan Carroll Hall Baltimore. took the Horses out to the farm. Cloudy & very windyat Dark but no rain at 9 O'clock. Hannah Cline Mary Beaumont & Miss Murphy are spending the evening with us.

Jun 17 Cloudy but no rain yet. got up early bought some Beef. made 3 matocks a cultivator & repaired the Unkle Sam (peddling wagon) cleared of much cooler & all prospects of rain vanished apparently. very much crowded with work. Dont know what to Do first.

Jun 18 Clear & cooler than it has been. got up early and made 6 matoc handles. took them & the matocks Down to the Depot. Levi Marshall took charge of them on the Express train for Crestline. sold a shovel plow for 4 Dollars cash. finished Wesley Cooks Cultivator but he did not come after it. Hannah Cline helped Margaret get supper. E & H Dickinson supped with us. Bought a cheese of Joseph England not worth a Damn. Paid Tom ____ 3 Dollars & Pete & I used the latter one for Digging well. we owe him nothing now. Isaac Bonsall called & paid me 1 50/100 he owed me. John Bennett & I selected a Horse a Dapple grey belonging to John Hunt.

Jun 19 Cloudy. got up at 4 O'clock had a fine hour of rain. Bill & Dillon Townsend came and sett in the Boxes in the wagon. Sam Sharpnack and Una spent the Day with us. Elizabeth Dickinson stayed all night last night and spent the most of the Day with. David & Harriet came Down & was here to Diner. Dave Cunningham & his intended called in awhile. Dave got supper for him & her. Mrs. Vickers & Henry Boone spent some time with us the latter played some on the violin. Hannah is here this evening. very warm all Day. Margaret is so tired she has gone to bed at Dusk & I shall soon do likewise.

Jun 20 Clear & warm. hired Lewis Warner to work a month for me give him 15 Dollars per month. He is a fugitive from "Old Virginia". went with Ben Jones Down to help his hired man. commenced splitting stone for him. he gets some of them from Aaron Antrim. sett Lewis to Digging foundation for Mother Hises House. I went to Moores and brot home my scrap iron. called at John Zimmermans to get a ____ but they all have the Ague. went Down to Franklin Square to hunt John Goulbourn who is missing. got Back at 11 O'clock but did not find him.

Jun 21 Clear & warm. Bought Beef & mutton amounting 1.66. took the cars & went to A Blackburns got a piece of cherry & repaired my fountain. brot a good load of Beef. made some fence & repaired our Horse troughs made them longer. John Goulbourn is still missing at 9 O'clock P M. Ebenezer Paid me five Dollars for a cultivator. looks like rain hope it may the ground is very Dry. Warner (my hired man) gave out at noon.

Jun 22 Clear & warm. made some fence. haules a load of sand & 1 of wood. made & sold a shovel plow to Wm Holloway he paid me 2 Dollars owes me 2 yet. repaired my fountain. looks some like rain. cloudy & clear at intervals.

Jun 23 Rained hard at 1/2 past 2 P M first for 4 weeks. blowed our Brick shed off. we

all got wet putting it on again. the Brick was not injured much. still some cloudy. at 9 to sleep I am inclined and will therefore etc.

Jun 24 Cloudy & clear at intervals. got up early. bought some beef mutton and a spade. Dug clay all Day. got John Bennett to cultivate my corn it now looks well. cold this evening must have on a coat to feel comfortable. got considerable of writing to do to night.

Jun 25 Clear & quite cool all Day. sold my Block House for 85 Dollars to some Eastern Man. borrowed Aaron Wilsons colt & brot a load of Boards from Meads. put Kate To _____ etc etc. went to Abram Shinns to buy a horse but Did not. very cool at Dark fire is comfortable. Allen Forker conveyed the water from Hawleys Spring to the Farquhar House it runs well. to bed to bed.

Jun 26 Clear & pleasant. laid late in Bed feel completely rested this morning. made 2 Rail Road for C P Fletcher & Co & a shovel plow for Job Cook. Paid a visit with margaret at E Vickers came home at 9 O'clock. cloudy & looks like for rain.

Jun 27 Partially clear. went to Fred & George Bilgers to get a help mate for Margaret but could not. Dug clay all the afternoon. in the evening Sis & I went to New Albany to get a girl but failed. wrote a line to Wm Hise requesting him to send me some paper that I have at Canfield. got a letter from Aunt Charity Phillips of Michigan, one from John Hise also accompanied with a Lapine Watch for me to trade off for him. threatened Rain this afternoon but as usual failed. Job Cook paid for & took away his Shovel plow. Fletchers Strait Edges I sent on the Mail Train for Crestline. considerab past Nine O'clock. John Fetters child Died this Evening.

Jun 28 Clear & warm. spent most of the Day collecting money but got very little.

Jun 29 Clear & warm. got up early & walked out to Mrs Helvington & got thirty Dollars she owed me for rent. Bought some scrap iron of Jehu Fawcett. Barreled it up and shipped it to Pittsburg. want to start at noon myself.

Jun 30 (no entry)

Jul 1 Got home at 2 O'clock. had a tiresome trip. Bought some iron 10,000 shingles and 1,300 feet of flooring. on my up I stopped and settled with George Freidt at Columbiana. he gave me his Due Bill for 71 Dollars. took supper with Mrs Isenhour. at 7 P M left for New Brighton found Benjamin Jones waiting for me. we put up at the Merrick House which is a good one but rather costly. after looking round and taking breakfast we each procured Excursion Ticlets to Pitt where we arrived at 1/2 past 8 O'clock. spent the Day in looking up our Lumber. put up at the Red Lion. got through our Business in good time. in looking round the city came across a fine crape shawl and Bought for Margaret. no one better Deserves it than she. the price was 17 Dollars but I got it a trifle lower. I Done various other maters but am too much fatigued to record them.

Jul 2 Clear & warm tho we had some fine showers a Day or two ago. my leg is very sore caused by a Boile on the cap of my knee. put a small gravel roof on for Henry Coy cost him only 1 50/100. sent Fletcher 6 hamer handles. some man here from Masilon to get that roof on cant go at present. very warm & looks like for rain.

Jul 3 Cloudy with lots of rain last night. after Breakfast hitched kate to our carriage to go to Cool Spring to our Anti Slavery Meeting but being so hot and threatening rain we turned round at David Estrys and came back. Met Joseph Barker with his whole Family at the Amity Mills. they of course went on as he was one of the Speakers announced. as I write the thunder and raining all round.

Jul 4 Cloudy & threatens rain. Ben Jones & I unloaded a Car of lumber after which Margaret Sis & I went to Alliance on the Cars. took Diner with Ridgeway Haines. attended one session of the Temperance Meeting and returned on the 6 O'clock train. the throng was so great that there was found to run an extra train to Salem. went early to Bed.

Jul 5 Clear & pleasant. got up early. Bought 1.00 worth of beef. Ben & I unloaded another Car of lumber & shingles before breakfast. attended the Discussion now going on between Joseph Barker & Jonas Hartzell on the following question (vis).

[Space was left to record the 'question' but it was not included.]

Jul 6 Clear & pleasant. attended the Discussion this forenoon. at noon went to Depot paid freight on pitch & paper. unloaded some more Boards etc. listened to one of Joseph Barkers speeches this afternoon Blacksmithed the Ballance. ____ Vinn Webb up right hand and got my Money of him 2.40. Shipped some Pitch & paper to Masilon. must go tomorrow and put on a small roof so early to Bed.

Jul 7 Clear & warm. got up early and Bought 1.20 cents worth of beef. got wood to last while I am gone to Massilon. want to start at 1/2 past 7 this morning. left at the hour. finished my Roof & returned arrived at 1/2 past 7 O'clock. small job came to but 18.75 cleared after taking out all expenses 3.82 which is as much as I could have made here. Jo Ball arrived from Iowa to Day. brot a large pair of Elk horns with him. still clear at 9 O'clock.

Jul 8 Clear. got up early went out to the farm got John to help me bring in a load of Sheaf Oats. attended the Discussion until the close. all ended agreeably. some like rain at 9 O'clock. wrote a letter to I F Hise.

Jul 9 Cloudy. got up early gave my letter to Ben Jones to Mail. I went to Alliance & repaired J N Pierces roof. Bought a pair of new Boots of him for 3 Dollars. came home on the 8 O'clock train. quite an exciting Election for justice of the peace. Tom Sharpnack & George B Weaver were the candidates. close Election Weaver having but 7 majority.

some cool at 9 O'clock. wet all the afternoon.

Jul 10 Cloudy & wet. rains moderately at 8 A M. Hamilton intended to cradle my Wheat to Day but the weather will not admit of it. Slept most of the Day. towards Evening Margaret Sis & I went Down to Tom Sharps. returned at Dusk. cool & clear at Sun Sett.

Jul 11 Clear & pleasant all Day. worked a little in shop. went out to Jo Balls & got a Horse of him to work. shod him & haules a load of wood before noon a load of sand afternoon. hauled my flooring Boards & Tarred paper up from Depot. Bought a Sow & 7 pigs of Asa Webb gave him 9 Dollars for them.

Jul 12 Clear & coolish. got up early bought 75 cents worth of beef. took my Sow and Pigs out to farm. hauled Benjamins flooring up to his Job. Raked & Bound wheat this afternoon. David Cunningham Cradled it. Charley Pidgeon is tampering for us. he wants me to hire him but I Do not like to Do so. he ought to work for his Father But they cannot agree. quite cool at sundown. Nothing rain to Day.

Jul 13 Clear. got up early spread out my flooring to Sun. finished cutting & shocking up my wheat by noon. hauled lumber for Ben Jones this afternoon. got a letter from Secretary of Mahoning Co Agricultural Society informing me that I have Been Selected as one of a Committee to award the prizes on Manufactured Articles. cant attend. cool & pleasant. Mr Bricker one of my tenants Paid me 6 Dollars on his second quarter Rent. owes 1 50/100 yet.

Jul 14 Partially cloudy all Day and very warm. wrote a letter to G J Young of Canfield Declining to serve on the committee. finished hauling Benjamin lumber. went to Amity Mills & bought 22 bushels of shorts for horse feed. got back at Dusk. had a pleasant visit from Hannah Straughan her sister & a gentleman from Chester Co Pa.

Jul 15 Cloudy & looks some like rain. hauled 2 loads of ____ stone for foundation for Mothers House. Done nothing in the afternoon. a good Shower at 6 O'clock P M.

Jul 16 Cloudy & cooler. spent the Day trying to collect some money but got only 2 Dollars. Borrowed 10 & Paid Croft Coast 21 Dollars. He & I are now square. ground my scythe. after supper hitched to the Carriage & Margaret Sis Ben Jones & I went out to Joseph Barkers. hitched on a small load of Hay. Mr & Mrs Cornwell came out & selected a place on which to Practice Riding on Horse back. they laid out a circle some Hundred feet in Diameter in back of Barkers field. we returned home at 9 O'clock at which time the moon stayed very bright. Paid David Cunningham 40 Dollars. 2 20 Dollar gold pieces. he is going to leave on tomorrow.

Jul 17 Clear & pleasant. am goingout to Barkers to mow. got Back at sunsett. Tom Sharp & one of his hands was there & we cut & put up 3 1/4 acres of good Hay. Anne Wilson called Down a few minutes. cool I fear we shall have frost.

Jul 18 Cloudy & clear at intervals. Hamilton Shod "Old Mike" & Kate. I made window fastenings for Bank they paid me 1 75/100 for it. this afternoon I went to 5 Different places to get a girl but without Success. rained some about 2 O'clock. Paid Tom Kineman one Dollar. cleared off. read a little but must retire.

Jul 19 Clear & cool. no frost but very near cold enough. got up at Day break bought 99 cents worth of good beef. hitched our Team & Bill Smith hauled wood all Day. I moved some of our front fence into the road about four feet to give room for our new one. sett our Brick Kiln on fire this morning. Alec Grove brought us a girl she will be here in the Morning. moon is full we shall have a nice time to burn our Brick. Pidgeon fired his a few hours after we did. all Done lets go to bed.

Jul 20 Clear. finished moving out my fence got the ground all ready for the new one. took my pitch & Tar up to the Building. want to put the roof on Johnson & Horners house tomorrow. Catharine Hill commenced working for us to Day. Settled my lumber bill with Ben Jones. owed him 2 85/100.

Jul 21 Clear & warm. Bought 1 05/100 cents worth of beef. commenced Johnson & Horners Roof. Jesse Riggs & Bill Smith helped me. got the paper all laid and better than one half pitched. Our Brick & Doing nicely. Edith Townsend is sleeping with Sis to night.

Jul 22 Clear & verry warm. finished Johnson & Harners Roof. took a great deal of gravel. hired some help but worked very hard myself. got a 20 Dollar gold piece changed. Paid Tom Kineman ten Dollars. Elijah Bennett Paid me one Dollar for wagon tongue. am too tired to write more.

Jul 23 Clear & warm. got up at 1/2 past 2 O'clock fired up the Brick & bought some good beef. put on Johnson & Horners small roof. measured the wood Bought of Wm Fawcett which was 77 1/4 cords at one Dollar per cord. Paid John Bennett five Dollars Paid Jesse Riggs 2 25/100 for 3 Days help at gravel Roof. must go to bed.

Jul 24 Clear & warm. got up at 3 O'clock attended Brick kiln until 8 was then relieved by Tom. our brick are burning fast. Margaret & Sis has gone to Baptist Meeting to please Grandmother Hise. I have just worket out of a nap of Sleep & feel well. Hamilton is making up an Ox yoke for Isaac Thomas. hauled 2 loads of wood. Margaret & Sis went to Canfield took "Old Mike" wont be back until morning.

Jul 25 Cloudy at sunrise. rained hard at at 6 O'clock. put our brick back some. hauled 4 loads more wood. finished our Brick at noon. got a good burn. considerable rain through the Day. it is raining at 1/2 past 8 P M. Wrote a letter to Jos Howard & Co ordering 6 hundred of paper. wrote a line to John Isenauer of Columbiana & one to George Freidt of the Same place. ordered 2 Barrels of vinegar of Edward Phillips. got the New York Tribune a subscription of one year.

Jul 26 Cloudy & cool. got up too late to get my choice of beef. went and brought 3 good poles for Brick shed 70 feet long. gave one Dollar for them. Borrowed 10 Dollars 5 of Wm McCracken & 5 of Hohn Sharpnack. Paid to John Fetters. cool all Day. Sis came Down from Canfield in the Stage. she was up there since Sunday. Bought 6 large glass tumblers of Johnson & Horner. got John Hises watch repaired cost a quarter. wrote to J S Leech McAlpin & Co of Pittsburg ordering 5 Barrels of Pitch. John McCalla Referred me as one altogether responsible for my contracts.

Jul 27 Cloudy & cool. Bill Smith is hauling stone. I Done but little all Day. repaired my fountain. cool all Day. Boys are all Digging Clay. Bought privelige of quarring Stone at Uriah Wilsons. gave him 25 per perch. Ben Rups is to quarry them for 40 cents per perch. Margaret was up to sewing circle. got a bill of Paper 600 lb of Howard & Co. shipped to J Isenhour.

Jul 28 S Blane commenced work at 15 Doll per month. Clear & warm. all Hands 6 of us Dug clay all Day. sold Jesse Hawley 3.92 cents worth of Boards. 1000 lb Paper & 5 Barrels of Pitch came to Day.

Jul 29 Clear & warm. hauled my paper up from Depot for johns Roof. Dug clay the Ballance of the Day. Bought a Barrel of Flour of Sam Grove paid 4 37/100 in gold. Accepted a Draft from Jos Howard & Co for one Hundred Dollars in 30 Days.

Jul 30 Cloudy & very warm. Dug clay until breakfast then covered our brick. had a hard time getting up the new poles. rained several hard showers through the Day. Anne Wilson married to Day at 4 O'clock P M. to J___ Yokum of New Garden he is cooper by trade. has the expectation of being industrious and Economical. she is worthy of a good Husband and I hope she has got one. she has beeon one of our best friends and a favorite of ours for several years. got a letter from J S Leech McAlpin & Co of Pittsburg. Satisfactory _____ _____ _____. Margaret paid Margaret Wisner a visit this afternoon. I was complimented by our invitationto tea but was quite too busy to go. opened our brick kiln it looks well. Catherine got a pair of good shoes of Charley Stratton. Hannah Strawn & her sister called Down a few minutes. Salmon Chase lectured in Town Hall. I did not hear him.

Jul 31 Clear & pleasant at Sunrise but at 8 O'clock is a little hasy. Catherine called us all out of bed to get our breakfast. Charity Phillips of Michigansent her a Drawing of Father Hises Tomb Stone. Supposed it would be interesting to her as she is his Sister. Sarah Galbreath spent a few minutes with us. Ben hawley engaged me to put on a gravel Roof for him. cool at Dark. will go early to Bed.

Aug 1 Cloudy & wet. Dug our cellar one foot Deeper worked hard. rained considerable through the Day. got a letter from John Hise. he sent 27 Dollars to pay out where he owes. Asa Ware brot the letter. got the N Y Tribune and Liberator must read them both some before retiring.

Aug 2 Verry Foggy. got up early bought some good beef. hauled the Dirt around the House that came from the Cellar. loaded some brick hauled some etc. Bought a new Milk Bucket. Brot Kate from the farm to Day. was out to David Fawcetts to get them to go for lime but failed. Our girl has got tired already is going to quit. Damn her let her go she is over paid as usual with them.

Aug 3 Cloudy & looks for rain. Jim Post commenced working by the month at 9 Dollars per month. he has hauled 8 loads of gravel onto Chessmans roof. the carpenters commenced framing Mothers house. Catherine left to Day. we have a prospect of getting Mary Hafley she lived with us 18 months at one time. rained very hard about 3 O'clock. hauled one load of Brick to ben Jones, the first. traded cows with Ike Crumrine am to give him 2 Dollars to Boot. commenced Digging Drain for Mothers Cellar.

Aug 4 Cloudy & wet. hauled a load of boards from Meads got back at noon. the Boys hauled Stone I Done but little. Ham repaired Aaron Holloways Buggy I charged him a Dollar for it. Jane E Jones came home to Day at 2 O'clock. rained some in the afternoon. Bought a Pair of Water Proof Boots of Jehu Fawcett cost 4 Dollars. John Grimsey Aged 67 years Died of Disentary.

Aug 5 Cloudy & wet. got up at Dawn of Day. heat up my pitch & put on a gravel Roof for Ben Hawley. got Done at 1/2 past 8 O'clock A M. counted out some Brick & hauled stone. rained at 3 O'clock. Mrs Root & Ella Jones arrived at noon. Ben & Livvie is in extaceus. Bought a 1/4 of good Mutton.

Aug 6 Clear & warm verry heavy Dew. Joseph Fawcett called me out of bed to see about going for lime. I got David painters mare and went along with nathan Fawcett. we brot 50 bushels Johnson & Horner Paid for it 12 cents per bushel. got home a little before Sundown. turned Painters mare out to pasture. clouded up but Did not rain. Tom Bentley was here to Borrow 16 Dollars but I had none for him. Mary Hafley came to let us know that she was coming to work for us. she will be here on Monday next. commenced moulding Brick to Day.

Aug 7 Clear & warm. got another cask of Jacob Heaton and unloaded the Ballance of my lime. Louis Blane & I went Down to get A Nold to haul gravel to Columbiana for J Isenhours Roof but his team is too light. got Back at 2 O'clock. Dever being ready we all partook thereof heartily. verry warm at 4 O'clock P M.

Aug 8 Clear & warm. Sent my kettles Down to Columbiana. must start at noon all hands to put on a gravel Roof. hauled 2 loads of Sand & 3 of stone. G D Jones (Ben's brother) & his Lady arrived to Day quite unlooked for. they went Directly to Strattons where Ben & Livvie are visiting. what a Jubilee they willhave. a good shower at 1/2 past twelve at which time I am writing. must now get ready to start.

Aug 9 Clear & very warm. worked all Day at our Roof but almost gave out in consequence of the heat. Sis is here at Columbiana with me. she is verry home Sick but I

have bought her a doll & she has consented to stay until tomorrow. worked until 8 O'clock. it is much pleasanter than Day time.

Aug 10 Clear & hot as ever. finished pitching the Roof & Sis & I came home on the 11 O'clock train. left Jesse Riggs & Jim Post to finish gravelling it. Settled with Jehu Isenhour (whose roof it was). he paid me 12 Dollars & 77 cents gave me his obligation for 40 Dollars. got home at noon found our friends all well & enjoyingthemselves. we all supped at Jacob Heatons. a frightful runaway occured here to Day. 8 Different horses participated in it. Henry Shaffer & Wm Cleland were both seriously injured. the former had his Collar Bone broken the latter received a severe concussion of the Brain from which it is Doubtful if he recovers. Bought 1 Bushel of Pears at 75 cents.

Aug 11 Clear & warm. got up early & Bought one Dollars worth of beef. took Delwin Jones Down to see Isaac Thomas Mill & at 1/2 past one he Started for Pittsburgh. Edmund Phillips Paid me 10.00 for 2 Barrels of Vinegar that I Bought of G Freed of Columbiana. Jesse Riggs & Jim Post got back at noon.

Aug 12 Clear 7 warm as ever. put on gravel Roof for Henry Ambler & one for Tom Bently. had a fine shower about 6 O'clock P M. Mrs. Jones G D Jones Lady left for Home at noon one Day sooner than she expected.

Aug 13 Clear 7 warm. Bought 1.00 worth of Beef. went to Haul stone to Day. hauled 4 loads & 1 load of Boards from Meads Mill. Wm Neal paid me 5.78 cents for lumber. rained some at noon and cloudy most of the afternoon. paid mother Hise one Dollar for John Bennett.

Aug 14 Cloudy & warm. went to farm & brot some butter. Ike Crumrine got sick of his Cow trade & exchanged back. made a pattern for cornish for mothers House. rained at 8 O'clock P M. Aaron Hinemans wife buried to Day.

Aug 15 Cloudy & wet. Bought some Beef & some Cod fish. Louis & Cris hauled Brick & Jim & I Dug cellar. I cut my foot some with the pick. rained considerable this afternoon.

Aug 16 Cloudy & Foggy. Bought one Dollars worth of beef. Dug cellar until 11 O'clock. rained hard at 11. loaded a load of Brick to go to New lisbon. Paid Wm Fawcett 2 Dollars on account paid John Kineman 50 cents all I owe him. some cooler at Dusk.

Aug 17 Cloudy & warm. to Day Von Amburg & Cos Menagerie is here. the Boys are all off to see it. I shod some horses but Done little work. my foot is getting better. rained lots this afternoon. in the evening I went up to See the Elephant. he was tied to the same tree 2 years & 2 months ago to Day. His name is Hanibol. he weighs over 10,000 lbs. Henry Ambler paid me 11 25/100 cents on his Roof owes me 15 Dollars yet. I paid Tom Kinemon 3 Dollars to Day & Charley pidgeon 2 Dollars.

Aug 18 Cloudy & wet. rained hard just before Daylight. slept but little have a severe headache. Bought 58 cents worth of good beef. Leonard Schilling & Eliza Webb one of Isaac Webbs Daughters were married yesterday. Mrs Root & Ella Jones started for home at 11 O'clock. Elizabeth Jones went to New Brighton to Deliver a course of Lectures. expect to return in time to attend our Aniversary. Rained most of the afternoon and is so cold I am forced to wear a coat. very Disagreeable weather. we hauled one load of sand from Painters Bank. hauled 4 black walnut logs and made them into fence posts.

Aug 19 Cloudy & cool all Day. the Boys made Brick to Day. Jim & I sett our fence posts & Dug some at the cellar. gave Mother Hise 5.00. cool enough to make a good fire comfortable.

Aug 20 Cloudy & fine. got David Painters mare & hauled Brick to Ben Jones all Day. got our tools ready for Roofing Jehus Store. want to put it on on Monday morning. the Painter commenced Painting our out Houses. cool in the evening.

Aug 21 Clear & cool. all creation are going to camp meeting. wrote Oliver Johnson a letter. want him to procure Boarding at new York for Mmargaret & I. we are going to the worlds fair. engaged Ben Hawley to haul Stone tomorrow. have a severe headache.

Aug 22 Clear & warm. got Ben Hawley to haul Stone this forenoon. put the Roof on Jehus Old Store. he paid me 10 Dollars on it. everything went right to Day. read the Bugle Liberator and Tribune. Bought me a new Pocket wallet for 75 cents. no time to write more to night.

Aug 23 Clear & warm all Day. finished my cellar & Done some other chores. H Ambler Paid me 15 Dollars the Ballance of what he owed me for his Roof.

Aug 24 Cloudy & wet most of the Day. Blacksmithed some. made a Bale Dog for Sawmill hard work. Rail Road Co paid me 7 50/100 for Brick. got 20 Dollar gold piece of Ben Jones for paper money. Sold Wm Pidgeon 3 Bushels for 62 cents. Margaret Teegarden Died yesterday at 5 O'clock P M of consumption.

Aug 25 Cloudy. bought 1.22 cents worth of Beef. Jesse Riggs & I put on the Ballance of Jehu Fawcetts Roof. had a fine Day for it. Stephen & Abby H. Foster arrived to Day. are putting up with us. Parker Pillsbury is also in town attending the Executive Committee in the evening. our Eastern friends had quite a Discussion. we came home at 11 O'clock P M.

Aug 26 Clear & warm. I want to rest am about worn Down. loaded some Brick. Bought 1 Dollars worth of Cincinnati Dried Beef at 12 1/2 cents per lb. Our olf friend Rumsey Reeves of New Lyme and his wife are here. Maria Giddings also is stopping with us.

Aug 27 Cloudy. Bought 1 Dollars worth of good Beef. rained at 9 O'clock A M. A S Aniversary commenced at 10 O'clock. I had to assist Margaret and could not attend the morning Session. But in the afternoon we had a glorious time. Stephen Foster & others spoke. a concert was given by the Hale Family & Boons Band the proceeds of which was given to the A S Soc. settled with Wm Ray he owed me 63 82/100. he gave me a note on Isaac Thomas for 60 Dollars & his own Due Bill for the Ballance. cool at sundown. wrote a short letter to oliver Johnson.

Aug 28 Clear & warm. attended sessions all Day. Joseph Barker spoke he leans toward free soil. had a full meeting.

Aug 29 Clear & warm. meeting went off well. Discussions were interesting but I have too much to attend to to record particulars.

Aug 30 Clear & warm. got Ben Hawleys team to haul Stone. hauled 7 loads against noon. worked some at my front fence. Dutch John the Butcher paid me 34 Dollars 2 heifers. I paid 17 50/100 to Mother Hise one of them was hers. Stephen Foster went to Canfield to attend a free Soil Convention. Samuel Lewis Speaks there to Day. Abby R Foster attended also. Did not get back until after Dark.

Aug 31 Cloudy & wet. was called out of Bed to help put Brick. got them all up without much rain. cleared off soon. worked some at front fence. Jane C Jones paid me one hundred & ten Dollars for Brick. Deposited 60 Dollars in Bank. Paid Tom Sharpnack $10.00 and last Monday paid Zed Street 3 hundred Dollars owe him 3 hundred & 50 yet. Took Stephen Foster & parker Pillsbury Down to Benj Bowns. came back by Joseph Forkers. Margaret went with us. Stephen & Abby are taking tea with Marius Robinson this evening.

Sep 1 Cloudy & wet. rained verry hard last night. Dug clay most of the Day. Evans here to Day. Stephen & Abby went to Canfield they have a meeting there to night. J E Jones went to Bridgewater to Lecture expect to return in about 4 weeks. Parker Pillsbury started on his lecture Tour to Day. He speaks at New Garden this evening. Uriah Wilson is turning Walton out of his Hotel. Walton is as mean a man as he knows how to be.

Sep 2 Clear & pleasant. John Bennett helped us haul Brick all Day. Waltons goods are yet in the Street. looks like rain. have worked on the Brick yard all Day.

Sep 3 Cloudy & Drizzling Rain. bought some beef. Waltons goods are yet in the Street. hauled Brick all Day. hired Alexandria Groves Team. all hands loaded and unloaded. Abby Kelly Foster went to Cleveland at noon. I accompanied her to the Depot got her Baggage checked & seen her fairly off. Dont expect to See her again as she & Stephen have gone into Michigan to spend 3 months pleading in behalf of the slaves. may success attend them whereever they go. Paid Ben Reeps one Dollar which makes 9 Dollars I have paid him for quarry stone. Dont owe him much. cool & windy with indications of Snow.

Sep 4 Clear & pleasant. wrote the work off of 3 slabs. took a walk out to Tom Sharps Foundry. come home by the Depot & Ben Jones lot. he is having an excellent cellar wall. took a nap on the Sofa.

Sep 5 Clear & pleasant. put on gravel Roof for Eli Wolfley. got Ben Hawleys team to haul for me Both gravel & Sand. Isaac Thomas Paid me 20 Dollars owes me 40 yet on a note I got Wm Rey. Bought 41 lb of good hand soap cost 2 Dollars. wrote john Hise a letter concerning some cradles he wants Jo Entriken to furnish.

Sep 6 Clear & warm. concluded since Breakfast to start to New york to Day at 1/2 past 11 A M. am as near ready as I can get at. all my business is too pressing to leave but will not be any otherwise this fall. take with 136.55 which I think will be abundant to Defray our expenses. I am rather reluctant to quit home but at the same time am anxious to attend the Worlds Fair.

Sep 19 Returned at 9 O'clock A M after an absence of 2 weeks. I will record but a sketch of our travels. Took passage for Cleveland at which place we arrived in Due season. putt up at the American. took Diner looked about awhile took Omnibus and went on board the Queen of the West Bound for buffaloe. some stormy through the night but we arrived safe at buffaloe on the morning of the 7th. took Breakfast at the Western hotel. Bought an Umbrella (for it rained) and a pair of gum shoes and took the Cars for niagara falls. arrived safe before 10 O'clock. spent most of the Day looking about. walked over the Wire Bridge visited Table rock & returned. at 5 1/2 O'clock started for the City of New york. But concluded to stop at oneida Castle to visit Mr Root & was glad we Done so for we had a pleasant tho short visit was sorry afterwards that we had not staid longer but at 2 o'clock P M we took leave and again started on our way. arrived late at Albany took passage on the Isaac Newton a splendid boat. at Day light we were 55 miles above the City so that we had a good view as we Descended the Hudson. arrived in New York at 1/2 past 8 A M. took Carriage to the Manhattan Hotel. took Breakfast & Diner but could get no rooms. Oliver johnson gave us a letter to Dr Wellingtons No 184 corner of 12 & university place where we found most excellent accomodations. on friday Evening Margaret & I went to see the Ravel Family play at Niblo garden. I saw them play the same play 14 years ago. they are as interesting as ever. on saturday morning the weather was so unfavorable we concluded not to go to the Crystal Pallace. But put in our time visiting barnums Museum whichis a great Bore. Margaret was attacked with the tooth ache & we were forced to leave for our lodgings. on our way up Broadway we met Alfred Wright of Salem. of course we were glad to see him. about supertime Morton Pennock & lady called in for accomodations. I was glad when i learned that he was to be a fellow Boarder. in the evening he & I went to see Signor Blitz & _____Canary Birds. it is marvellous how he can train thos little creatures to such an extent. on Sunday Margaret & I went out to the Pallace ascended the tower to the height of 350 feet. we found ourselves in fair view of all the region round about. could see all New York city Brooklin Williamsburgh and various other Places the names of which I Do not now recollect. we saw considerble of the City to Day. on Monday morning we went up to the Worlds Fair bought a weekly ticket for 2 Dollars. spent the whole Day looking round among the

wonders of that great collection of the works of art. in the evening I took Margaret to see Signor Blitz. on Tuesday morning I strolled about the City while Margaret rested. at noon we again visited the Fair but before entering the Pallace we called in to see the large Oxen & sheep. the latter had wool on them three feet long. they were South Downs from near buffaloe. in the Evening we all went to see Unkle Tom played at the National Theatre on chattem St. it was a splendid and impressive play, Horace Greely was there we got home late. on Wendsday morning we packed up our Duds & left for Philadelphia. went By way of South Amboy then across Jersey By Rail Road to Bordertown & from there By Steam Boat to Philadelphia. arrived Safe at 4 O'clock. went to the Exchange & took a 3rd St Omnibus for Vine St. called at John Gilberts and stayed all night and Thursday morning we took the Cars to Germantown. from there we hired Carriage to unkle Billy Lukens arrived about noon. found all well and glad to see us. put in the Ballance of the Day & night in talking & singing. early on Friday we returned to the City. Aunt & Joseph accompanied us as far as Germantown. the former came to city with us. we all called on Aunt Susan Elkins & her family. they were well. while Margaret visited I went over to George Reeds Brick yard. saw them pressing Brick brot one of them home. from here we went Down on 7th St to see Cousin Addy Shoemaker found her well. from there we returned to John Gilberts. took Diner after which we called in DilwinJones on Rose St. Bought 2 Spanish poodle Dogs for Sis gave 8 Dollars for the two. from there we went out to see Girards College which is in itself a great Curiousity. from the top of the Building you have a splendid view of the City. returned and took tea & oysters. returned & lodged with John Gilberts. on Saturday we made various calls on Margarets Cousins which occupied the entire Day. returned at Dark to our lodgings and Packed up ready for a start homeward. on Sunday morning early we arose picked up our Baggage and repaired to the Eagle Hotel on 3rd St. took breakfast after which w took stage for the R R Depot. left for pittsburgh at 1/2 past 7 O'clock on Sunday morning & arrived safe at Home about 9 O'clock. found all well and much as we left it.

Sep 20 Cloudy but no rain. Isaac Thomas paid me 40 Dollars the ballance on a note I held against him. Paid W T Smith 43.51 cents. Paid Jim Post 5 Dollars. was Busy all Day fixing up maters.

Sep 21 Cloudy & cool. got our team rigged up & hauled Brick to Ben Jones. sold D Woodruff 60 thousand Brick. hauled a load of lumber for Mother Hises house.

Sep 22 Cloudy & wet. rained most of the forenoon. put on a small gravel roof for h Ambler. helped haul Brick in the afternoon. Bought Sis a pair of shoes cost $1.12. Borrowed one Dollar of W Wilson. Margaret was visiting up to mother Hises. sister Sarah and her husband is in from Allen Co O. they are both well and Doing well.

Sep 23 Clear & cool heavy frost. hauled Brick all Day. raided Mother Hises House. hauled Down some siding from Holes.

Sep 24 Clear & cool but no frost. hauled Brick in forenoon. in afternoon went to Meads saw mill and got a load of Dry Boards. Dark when I got Back.

Sep 25 Clear & pleasant. hired the Boys to cut up the corn I Bought of Ben Jones gave them 1 75/100 for the Job. went to Henry Coys & got some straw to Bind it up. several persons has been here to Day to see our Poodle Dogs. they are a curiosity.

Sep 26 Clear & pleasant. left Home for Wellsville. arrived there by Rail Road via Alliance at 3 O'clock. conferred with the D & D mcDonalds and agreed with them to put on a gravel Roof for them. the Building to be covered is one Hundred feet long by 28 wide. it will be ready in about 2 weeks. spent the evening with Mrs Roberts an Old acquaintence. put up at the National hotel kept by Hatcher.

Sep 27 Clear & cool. left for Home at 10 O'clock A M. arrived at Alliance about Noon. stoped there about 1/2 an Hour. a great many passengers travelling the Main____. had 8 passenger Cars filled. made good time. I timed one Mile that we Ran in 1 1/4 minutes Down grade. arrived safe at Home at 1/2 past 1 O'clock. found all right.

Sep 28 Cloudy cool & Disagreeable. put in the Day hauling Brick. was out at Town in the Evening came home too late to attend Aunt Fanny Gages lecture that comes off at 7 O'clock to night in Town Hall. have considerable writing to Do and cannot attend.

Sep 29 Clear & cold with very heavy frost. got up early and bought 1 Dollars worth of beef. hauled Brick most of the Day. Bought 4 Hundred lb of flour gave 10 Dollars for it. Brot home a wagon load of Potatoes from the farm. still clear at Dark.

Sep 30 Cloudy & cool all Day. Hauled Brick to ben Jones. spent some time up town this evening nothing special to record. Bill Pidgeon finished moulding Brick to Day. we shall finish tomorrow.

Oct 1 Cloudy but warmer. hauled Brick in forenoon. in afternoon Isaac Crumrine Paid me 5 Hundred Dollars the Ballance on the property i sold him on Main St. Paid Jo Smith 10 Dollars Ben Reeps 2 & William Fawcett 75. Deposited 265.00. Paid a note given for John Hise 165.24 and the ballance 9 Dollars I have on hand yet. Jane E Jones returned to Day is going to lecture before the school next week. Salmon P Chase lectured here this evening on the coalition of the Whigs & Free Soilers called the Peoples Ticket. he was not verry interesting to me. perhaps I expected too much.

Oct 2 Clear & coolish. gave Louis Blane a Due Bill to Abraham Beard for fourteen Dollars to pay for a gun he got of him. wrote 2 letters to Pittsburgh, one to jos Howard & Co the other to J T Leech McAlpine & Co. Aunt Fanny Gage took Diner with us. in the afternoon we attended a Temperance lecture at the Town Hall. Mr Earl of Vermont was the Speaker. at the close of his speech Aunt Fanny read an Original Poem that was grand.

Oct 3 Clear & cool. Bought some good Beef. Hauled Brick all Day. fingers most Damn sore. paid Charles Pidgeon 3 Dollars owe him 50 cents yet. got a bad Boile on my wrist.

Oct 4 Clear & not so cool. got up early & went to josh holloways to put on a small gravel Roof come to but 4.40. he paid me 2 Dollars. got home before noon. paid off a Draft from Pitt of 90 Dollars. paid John McCalla 16 55/100 for j T Leech McAlpin & Co of Pitt. Duned Caleb Windall for 6 44/100 he has owed me for 4 years and got it. Bought 2 bushels of Peaches gave one Dollar for them. Bought Mother Hise a looking glass cost 1 50/100. all hands have gone to the Lecture Delivered By J E Jones in the Town Hall. her subject Anatomy & Phiseology.

Oct 5 Cloudy & cool very windy. Ham has gone to Canfield fair. Sam & I hauled brick until noon. at 1 O'clock a heavy gust of wind accompanied with hail Blew some of the Rafters off of mothers House. all up again at Dark. Bought 2 Dollars worth of white Sugar for preserving Peaches. another accident on the O & P R Road. 2 trains ran together 3 miles beyond Alliance. mashed the locomotives up considerably. injured but Killed no one. Chief Engineer Solomon W Roberts is not reported to be one of the wounded.

Oct 6 Cloudy & cool windy all Day. banded Reys Hubs. got 2 letters from pittsburgh. Paid Tom hineman 5 Dollars. heard this morning of the Death of John Gibbons he was killed at White Pidgeon in _____. he attempted crossing the track when he was caught & mangled by the Locomotive in such a maner that he Died. he was brot home on the Cars at 3 O'clock to Day. will be buried at 12 O'clock tomorrow. sett our brick kiln on fire this morning. one of the persons wounded at Alliance yesterday by the collision Died of wounds while on his way Down to Salem. he was from Westmoreland Co Pennsylvania. Margaret is attending the lecture to night.

Oct 7 Clear & pleasant all Day. worked a little in the shop went to John Gibbons Funeral. Done some chores about Town. Paid Jo Entriken 20 Dollars for John Hise (Johns Money). engaged Josh Holloway to haul me a load of Stone. engaged 20 bushels of winter apples of John Gordon no price set. one of Siss Poodle Dogs Died to Day. the _____ received a gift from H C Wright a Book he has been publishing entitled Errors of the Christian & Jewish Scriptures. (In Michigan)

Oct 8 Clear & pleasant. assisted the Carpenters some. made the tire & hooped Wm Reys wheels. checked out 40 Dollars paid Bob Hole 20 & Jo Smith 5. Lucretia Mott spoke in Town Hall. Henry Boone made a Disconnected speech. among other things said he should Die within 24 Hours. he is getting over a Drunken Frolic. he will have the Delerium Tremins.

Oct 9 Clear & warm. made a Brand C T F & Co for Caldwell & Fletcher to Brand their R R Tools. called to see Father Goulbourn he is very poorly. went up to James Barnabys to see Henry Boone he is very poorly to Day having had a sever attack of the Delerium Tremors. came Down home with Mary Ready to see our Poodle Dogs. in a little while was sent for to go to Barnabys as Henry was supposed to be Dying. hastened up and found this to be the fact. Doc Coffee & others were Doing what they could to save life but all to no purpose. at 1/2 past 4 O'clock P M he Breathed his last without a struggle or

a moan. he Died a victim to intemperance. Daniel bonsall Myself & some others took an inventory of his effects he had good clothes. Margaret ben & Livvie Jones went visiting to Joel McMillans & Benj Bowns got home at 1/2 past 5 P M. spent the evening at Father Goulbourns. Lucretia Mott speaks to night but I cannot go. must go to bed.

Oct 10 Clear & cloudy at intervals. got up at mid night and helped Burn the Brick. gathered our corn. attended the Funeral of Henry boone at 4 O'clock P M. Bought 5 1/4 lb Butter. in the evening Bought 1 pair Buckskin gloves. cool at sun sett. Margaret is attending the lectures on Phiseology & Anatomy. got Tom Wilson to Haul a load of shingles from Isaac Carrs. Ham is playing the violin. Paid Abram Beard 14 Dollars a Due Bill I gave Lous Blane sunday week.

Oct 11 Cloudy & cold heavy frost. visited the grave of henry Boone supposing a possibility of his being Risen. (Bythe Doc) but found all right. have the tooth ache some. settled with Isaac Crumrine owed him 29 59/100 to be paid in lumber. very clear & moon light. Mother Hise is spending the evening with us.

Oct 12 Clear & pleasant all Day. Carpenters put the roof on Mothers House to Day. Too sleepy to write.

Oct 13 Clear & cool but pleasant for time of year. got 1/2 Bushel of Quinces of David Fawcett. his team & Son hauled sand for plastering Mother Hises House. clear & moon light. Ben & Elizabeth Jones are busy Laying out their Door yard Carriage Road & gravel walk. there seems to be no Difficulty except that they cannot get it crooked enough.

Oct 14 Clear & cool. Shut up our Brick Kiln this morning. Sifted sand. Borrowed Ten Dollars of Wm Fawcett for a few hours. gave 5 of it to Louis Blane and 3 to Margaret. She and all the rest of our Family have gone to Lisbon to attend the Fair. I preferred staying at home. returned Fawcetts money at 9 O'clock. Day very pleasant. they all got Back before Dark but Jane E Jones she came late had intended staying all Night but got a good opportunity of coming and embraced it. Wm Jennings brot her in his Buggy.

Oct 15 Clear & cool. got up early & bought good Beef. engaged David Fawcetts team & Louis & I hauled sand all Day. gave Cris Kineman an Order to Johnson & Horner for 3 Dollars & one to Sharpnack & McClenen for 11 Dollars. this Evening attended the lecture of Mrs E Rose. her subject origin of our Social evils. she is inteligent. Done credit to her reputation as a public speaker. speaks again tomorrow evening.

Oct 16 Clear & warm no frost last night. sifted Sand. repaired J E Jones trunk and shortened some Brass pipe for johnson & Horner. Doc Dellabaugh of North Georgetown was Buried to Day. he was very Wealthy and an Odd Fellow. went to hear Mrs Rose again to night. she is a very strong woman is entirely master of her subject (viz). Do we form our own characters. she showed conclusively to my mind that we Did not at least in a great measure.

Oct 17 Clear & pleasant. got up early & Bought Beef. Settled with Thomas Kineman owed and paid him $111.73 cents. he starts to Indiana tomorrow. worked some at my front fence. Louis hauled pumpkins from Ben Jones lot. Pidgeon finished his Brick to Day. Jane E Jones Started out to lecture to Day expects to be gone some time.

Oct 18 Dense Fogg but cleared off at 9 O'clock. husked corn at Bens lot until noon. Bought a Keg of 8p nails cost 5 25/100 per hundred. went to Isaac Thomas saw mill and waited while they Sawed 10 scantling for me. went by Moon light and brot them home. got back before 9 O'clock. the Boys are all out helping John Bennett husk his corn. Sold Allen Forker a New Wagon for 65 Dollars. he did not pay me Down but soon will.

Oct 19 Clear & pleasant. opened our new Brick Kiln good burn. Borrowed 5 Dollars of Wm Mc___. gave it to Cris Kineman. his Brother Peter Died at 4 O'clock this morning. Bought a wagon of Evan Bonsall for 35 Dollars. hauled Brick all the after part of the Day. got a letter from Wellsville saying the roof will be ready on monday next.

Oct 20 Clear but looks like raining. hauled Brick this forenoon. in afternoon put the shed on our Brick Kiln. am very tired & sleepy so much so that I shall say no more but go to Bed. John Callahan paid me 3 Dollars owes me 9 yet. (Pete Kinaman Buried)

Oct 21 Cloudy with very little rain last night. got up before Day and finished sifting sand. Built a corn crib out at the farm. Done but little this afternoon. Tom Sharp took Supper with us for the first time. threatens rain at Dark. got a letter from Wellsville.

Oct 22 Cloudy & looks like rain. worked around the New house all the forenoon. made part of the cellar Drain and graded the Dirt around the west side. Levi Wharton paid me 5 Dollars on acct. I Paid it to Bob Hole (my Carpenter). Dark & raining at 8 O'clock. rained some through the Day.

Oct 23 Cloudy & cool. got up early. want to Start to Wellsville after Breakfast. Took Jesse Rigg along to assist me. Bill Smith went as far as West Point with us in our Buggy and he brot it Back & we walked the Ballance of the way. arrived before 8 O'clock. found our Roof was not ready. walked Down to Depot. Put up at Hatchers he keeps a good House.

Oct 24 Cloudy. we turned in and assisted in getting the Roof Ready. laid some paper after 4 O'clock P M.

Oct 25 Cloudy & windy. we could not half work. Done what we could. went to Blind Mans Concert.

Oct 25 Cloudy but warmer. laid all the Paper & pitched it. got it out of the way of the Rain.

Oct 26 Cloudy & wet. rained all Day. we Done but little.

Oct 27 Cloudy but little rain. finished our Roof by noon. Settled and got my pay 135 Dollars. came to Lisbon in Hack & walked from there home arrived at 1/2 past 10 O'clock. our folks were engaged in making Apple Butter. very tired and soon went to Bed.

Oct 28 Clear & cool. painted sash. Paid Father Goulbourn 99 Dollars. Paid Bill McCracken 2 50/100 cents owe him as much yet. Bought 8000 lath Paid 15 Dollars for them.

Oct 29 Clear & warm. to Day William Lloyd Garrison spoke in Town Hall. he had a good audience all Day. in the evening Parker Pillsbury spoke made one of his best efforts.

Oct 30 Clear & cool. worked all Day at mortar for Plastering Mothers House. Spent the Evening at Joseph Barkers. Wm Lloyd Garrison P. Pillsbury and a host of other Friends of the Slaves were there. had a good time. got home at 1/2 past 12 O'clock. Harriet Weaver & Caroline Stanton came with us in our Carriage.

Nov 1 Clear & pleasant. made mortar all Day. Parker Pillsbury left Salem for this year. Louis Blane Commenced working for isaac Thomas yesterday. he is Boarding with us. Ham has gone to spree. heard from George Hise he is in California.

Nov 2 Clear & pleasant for time of year. George Noosebaum Built one of the flues in the house (Mother Hises). Hauled some Brick to Woodruff. rained and is very Dark at 9 O'clock.

Nov 3 Cloudy but no prospect of Rain. to Day hauled Brick most of the Day. painted some sash. got a Barrel of Cider of David Fawcett. made it into Apple butter got Done at midnight. cleared off clear.

Nov 4 Clear & cool with stiff frost. Phillip Evans called me out of Bed to pay me one Dollar for shewing his horses. put in the Day working in shop & painting sash.

Nov 5 Cloudy not so cold. painted some sash. Borrowed 50 Dollars of joel McMillan am to return it in 10 Days. Payed it to Albert Teetors Money I Borrowed of Anthony Gongwer. hauled up all our freight from Depot considerable of it (for roofing). Bought glass & Putty for the windows of Mothers House. want to glase them tomorrow.

Nov 6 Clear & cloudy at intervals. Ben Hawley & I glased the windows as intended. cold all Day. Mary Hafley took Old Mike and the carriage and went home returned in good time. wrote a letter to john Hise of indiana. Ben jones is still at McMillans.

Nov 7 Cloudy & threatens rain. made mortar for plasterers. worked hard all Day. Margaret was Down to joels to see Ben Jones. his hand is still Bad. worked until 9 O'clock. Margaret attended the Social Circle got home late.

Nov 8 Cloudy & raining. hired Jesse Riggs to help make mortar got Done at 8 O'clock. wrote a letter to jo Lukens contents as follows (Joseph why Dont you come to Ohio.

Nov 9 Cloudy with some rain. worked in shop most of the Day. Cris fenced in the Lot. turned the Hogs out that had Bothered us all Sumer. Bought a Suit of clothes (or the stuff to make one) of johnson & Horner cost 7.52. got Tim Gee to cut them out. snowed some at 7 O'clock P M. wind blows hard at 9 O'clock.

Nov 10 Cloudy and some warmer. worked in shop all Day. grows gradually warmer all Day. will freese a little to night. wrote a note to Kinsey Hanna of New Lisbon scolding him a little for not sending me some money to Day. clear & moon light at 8 O'clock.

Nov 11 Clear & warm. got up early and commenced David Woodruffs gravel Roof. got it Done except the gravel. had a fine Day for time of year. Elizabeth Woodruff is very low with consumption.

Nov 12 Cloudy but warm. too tired to Day to Do much. worked some in shop. Enos Eldridge came near being burned out had all their Best clothes and some of their Bedding & furniture Burned. Our citizens turn out en masse to a fire and unless it gets considerable start generally subdue it. was out to Tom Sharp Foundry. was introduced to a Mr Atkinson of bowling Green Kentucky. he wants a Sawmill. on my home Met Old John Saxton he is very feeble. brot him home with me gave him his Supper and am going to keep him all night. Margaret & Sis is up town at present.

Nov 13 Clear & windy. John has got up & we are going to take him home. took Hannah Strawn with us. Mary Saxon went with us to her Fathers we spent most of the Day there. Bill Campbell was there as was his Wife. came home late found all well. Elizabeth C Woodruff Died.

Nov 14 Cloudy & warm. hauled Brick in A M & made mortar in P M. got a letter from George Hise he is in California. wrote an answer to him to night. cleared off and is very pleasant. Benjamin Jones returned to Day his hand is getting better. Abel James Died this Morning of Typhoid fever.

Nov 15 Partially clear and warm. attended the funeral of Elizabeth Woodruff. paid Joel MCMillan the 50 Dollars Borrowed of him 10 Days ago. Bought 100 lb flour cost 3.00. worked some on Wm Reys wagon. hauled Hiram Greiner a load of Brick.

Nov 16 Cloudy & warm. finished Reys wagon. got in some of our corn. got some straw of Jo Ball. rained some in the after part of the Day. put on my new pants for the first time.

Nov 17 Cloudy & warm. the Boys husked corn. Wm Ray brought me 2 Barrels of Flour for which I paid him 12 Dollars. he gave me 10 Dollars on his wagon he likes it well. got

a letter from Jane E Jones. wrote her an answer same evening. hauled in 40 Bushels of corn. looks like raining at 8 O'clock. Boys gone a coon hunting.

Nov 18 Partially clear and very warm for time of year. went to John Gordons and got 8 Bundles of Rye Straw. hauled 3 loads of corn. paid Sam Blane 4 Dollars. still warm at 8 O'clock P M. looks like rain.

Nov 19 Weather same fine Indian Sumer. am hauling corn want to get Done to Day. Ben Jones is sick. got corn all in. Ben Jones is well only a little sick at Stomack. Bought a can of Oysters all had a good treat. Don Strawn hired Oliver Johnsons Air tight Stove.

Nov 20 Clear & warm too warm to wear a coat. Done but little to Day. Henry Coy & I took a walk Down to ike Thomas Saw Mill. Mother Hise took Supper with us. Sett up another cooking stove am going to try it. Still warm at Dark & roads as good as can be. Margaret has the tooth ache.

Nov 21 Cloudy & rainy rained all night. Done but little to Day. Sold Dr Stanton my Brick am some afraid I have not enough for him. wet all Day still warm and verry Dark at 9 O'clock P M.

Nov 22 Warm & very foggy. went to Jo Balls & got 500 feet of stuff to build a hog Pen for Mother Hise. Done but little at it. Cris is Digging cellar Drain. still warm at 1/2 past 9 O'clock.

Nov 23 Cloudy & warm. worked some at Hog pen. finished Wm Reys Wagon. Bates thrashed out my wheat (25 Bushels). Ben Hilman & his hands commenced putting on a new Roof on my Kitchen and wood shed. Hannah Cline called in a short time.

Nov 24 Cloudy & windy cold to what it was yesterday. got up before Day and went to Ike Thomas Sawmill and got 2 Hundred feet of Sheating Boarding. got too cold to shingle and my handsall knocked off at Noon. I worked at the pen got it about Done. going to freese to night quite like winter.

Nov 25 Clear & cold ground frose hard. carpenters came at noon. got the roof about all on the Kitchen. thawed in the Sun all Day. Walton Clark & McMillen were arrested for Counterfeiting.

Nov 26 Clear & cold. worked some in shop. put on a small Roof for John W Thomas. Allen Forker finished planking Main St at Dusk. he made a good job of it. Read some from Tom Paine some more to night.

Nov 27 Clear & warm. worked at front fence most of the Day. Frank Douglass took supper with us. Margaret & I spent the evening at Marius Robinsons came home at 8 O'clock. read some in Paines works before retiring. (Philip Evans was robed of 130 Dollars).

Nov 28 Cloudy Damp with prospects of rain. David Woodruff Paid me 55 Dollars. I paid off a Draft from Howard & Co of Pittsburgh of 59 57/100 the last I shall have to pay this fall. worked some in the shop. Sis is poorly has a sore throat.

Nov 29 Cloudy with prospects of rain. gravelled D Woodruffs shop as far as my gravel would go. got our cellar Drain about Done. commenced raining about Dusk and at 7 O'clock is raining fast and very Dark. was up town but Did not stay long. wind is blowing hard from N. W. and is going to turn cold i think before morning. Siss throat is better but she now has the tooth ache.

Nov 30 Cloudy & cold. worked some at my front fence but was too cold. made me a first rate ring mall. repaired Jehu Fawcetts sausage cutter. ground the knives at Tom Sharps. attended the concert of Miss Phebe Ann Looken. was one of two that passed a hat round for contributions. got 13.73 cts. she sings well is blindfrom childhood. not so cold at 9 O'clock.

Dec 1 Cloudy & warmer. helped Search for Phillip Evans money the Constable arrested Charley Williamsand found 55 Dollars of the money. Carpenters worked this afternoon at the Roof. spent the evening up town most of the time in Jehu Fawcetts Store. snowing a little at 9 O'clock. have very sore eye something in it.

Dec 2 Cloudy & snowing. worked at my grind stone frame until noon. spent the entire afternoon at George Weavers office on business connected with the planking of Commerce Street. Charles C Burleigh was here all the afternoon & I knew nothing of it until I came home at Dark. in chasing a Hog I fell prostrate in the mud. sore eye is better.

Dec 3 Cloudy cold & stormy snows a little. Cris & I hauled corn fodder this P M. Bought 24 lb of Sausage of Jehu Fawcett. Charles Williams Colored Boy that Robed Philip Evans House was taken to jail to Day. he had Tom Sharpnacks watch stole it from him 4 months ago. he is the first Colored Person ever sent to prison from this Town that I know of.

Dec 4 Cloudy not so cold. went out to the Farm awhile things look right. hung our grind Stone. fit the Sash in end window. called in to Charles Griffings & brot (at his request) Henry Boones violin it is an extra good one. Charles & I own it between us. Mary Beaumont spent some part of the evening with us. I coped and sung "Old Kentucky Home". not going to freese to night.

Dec 5 Partially clear & warm all Day. mended the Windows at the farm. put up Johnson & Horners awning forty feet long weight 300 lb. Margaret is at the Assembly rooms. clear & moonlight. Mother Hise went home with William.

Dec 6 Cloudy & very windy. rained a little at Day break but none through the Day. Ben Hilman finished myroof. Cris hauled wood. Bought a small Hog of Jehu Fawcett

weighed 104 lb. spent the evening up town. settled with Town Council they owed and paid me 4.06 cents for Dressing picks with which they graded main St. weather still warm not freesing any to night.

Dec 7 Cloudy and not very cold. hauled gravel & finished D Woodruffs Gravel Roof. Bought a Bible of Joel McMillan. gave 4 00/100 D for it. recorded Mary Ann Birth for the first. she is almost Eleven years old. still warm at 9 O'clock.

Dec 8 Cleared off and pleasant and warm all Day. Carr is plastering Mothers House. rented Mrs Kelvington one of my Houses on Lisbon Street. she is to pay me 35 Dollars for it. moon shines bright and clear. put on a small roof for John W Thomas.

Dec 9 Clear & cold. hauled the last of my boards from Meads Mill. worked the Ballance of the Day on the front fence. J C Walton who was in jail awaiting his trial for Counterfeiting Died to Day of Delerium Tremens. the 2 Mrs Scattergoods called on Margaret to Day. they are very clever Ladies. clear & moonlight at 10 O'clock. (am keeping fire in new house)

Dec 10 Clear & quite warm all Day. Dressed an axle for Carr and worked the Ballance of the Day at front fence. got one half nearly finished. clear & moonlight at 10 O'clock. Walton was buried at Lisbon to Day.

Dec 11 Clear & warm. Delightful all Day. repaired my wood shed. attended an a Committee to further the interest of the approaching A S Fair. finished nailing the palings on my front fence (the west half). took Supper with Mother Hise. spent a good part of the evening at the Farquahar House.

Dec 12 Clear & warm. worked at my front fence until noon. hauled sand this afternoon for pavement up on Lisbon St. Mrs Kelvington moved in to house No 1 and Saturday. very warm all Day and is still clear and warm. not freesing any of account to night. spent the evening at Home.

Dec 13 Cloudy with Dense fog. hauled 2 loads of Sand and laid 2 thirds of my pavement. in the Evening Margaret & I went to Methodist Church the 2nd time for 14 years. stayed perhaps 10 minutes (not more) rather thin feed for Souls as hungry as mine. from there we went to Hannah Strawns & spent the Ballance of the evening. came home after 9 O'clock. got a letter from john Hise with 50 Dollars in it for Asa Holloway. looks some like rain at 9 O'clock.

Dec 14 Cloudy & foggy all Day. finished my pavement and at last worked up all my Brick. tried to collect Some money but Did not. Margaret got her front teeth pulled she took 8 Doses of chloroform but it had no effect on her. she is up at Marius Robinsons to night. Jehu Fawcett took in 133 Slaughtered Hogs the most he ever took in on any one Day.

Dec 15 Cloudy & Foggy. made steps for house on Lisbon St. collect some money 6.30 cents of Henry Ambler 23.00 of Jonathan Stanley. Paid Asa holloway the 50 Dollars sent By John Hise. he left 20 of it with me to give to William Fawcett. I paid it to his hired man (colored) since Dark.

Dec 16 Cloudy & warm. Bought 102 lb of good Sausage meat of Jehu Fawcett for 3.50 cents. hung his cellar Door and painted the Ballance of my palings. Joel McMillan sends 60 Dollars with me to pay his tax & Father Goulbourn send 40 to pay his & Timothys. want to go to Lisbon tomorrow. rained a little about Dark.

Dec 17 Cloudy & Dense fog. got up at 5 O'clock started to Lisbon to pay my tax. got there in good season paid it and then went to see Thomas H White. wanted to get him to Mould Brick but he asks more than I can afford to give. got home at 11 O'clock in the afternoon. Made John Bennett a butcher knife. rained most of the afternoon still warm at Dark but at 8 O'clock P.M. some colder & snowing very fast the first snow this winter. Tom Sharpnack took Diner with us.

Dec 18 Cold with 2 inches of snow. hitched up "Old Mike" got Hannah Strawn Marius & Emily Robinson & we allwent Down to Ben Bowns to make wreaths to Decorate our Fair room. Joseph Barker Jr met and assisted us. we got Done in good time. had one of very best Diners I ever sat Down to. got home about Dark. weather grew colder all Day and to night it will Freese hard.

Dec 19 Cloudy & cold. winter has come upon us at last and caught us not ready. one room of Mother House is yet not plastered. snowed all Day. paid Don Strawn 5.00. Hannah Strawn Sarah Sharp & Rachel Trescott all here baking cakes for the Fair. bought me a pair of boots & 2 pair of socks paid Cris Kineman a Dollar. real winter weather.

Dec 20 Clear & quite cold. moon shines as Bright as can be. snow about 3 inches Deep. spent the Day in preparing for our approaching Fair. Cris commenced chopping out at the farm for 25 cents per cord & I Board him. still grows colder. Winter is here in earnest. good Sleighing.

Dec 21 Clear & colder still this morning than yesterday. House is cold as I write. commenced a sled for myself. sent a letter to Moses Brandon want him to mould Brick for me.

Dec 22 Some warmer. Done but little this forenoon. this afternoon Dekorated the Town Hall had plenty of help. Joseph & George Barker took supper with us. Elizabeth Dickinson is here to night. she is a little unwell went early to bed. thawed considerable through the Day and snowed at 8 O'clock P.M. but is quite warm compared with yesterday.

Dec 23. Cloudy & rained some early but soon turned colder. wind blew hard & very cold before night. frose up and the roads are one glib of ice. sold ice cream at the Fair Done

well. got home at 1/2 past 10.

Dec 24 Clear & very cold. got up early and went to the Hall. staid and worked hard all Day. sold lots of ice cream. the Fair closed at 11 O'clock in good Order. had some good music By the Frisbys & Charles Douglass of Berea.

Dec 25 Clear & some warmer. got up late breakfast at 9 O'clock. put in the Ballance of the Day Cleaning up the town Hall. thawed some in the Sun but frose up Directly looks like snowing.

Dec 26 Cloudy & cold. snowed all Day. returned our Fair Dishes and paid off our small Bills at the stores etc. got 20 Dollars of Ben Jones on Livvies account. Allen Forker paid me 43 Dollars on a wagon he bought of me. attended an exhibition in Town Hall slight of Hand & ventriquist took part in it. had some sport.

Dec 27 Some warmer. John Bennett killed Hogs to Day. they all weighed 1843 lb. I got 111 lb more than half of it paid him 4.67 cts for it. paid Robt Hole 40 Dollars on Carpenters work. spent the evening at joseph Barkers a large party there to night. got home at 1/2 past 12 had a pleasant time. Margaret Sis & Ben James went along in the Carriage. Roads fine. played a few games of Ukre.

Dec 28 Partially clear thawed considerable to Day. Charles P Fletcher paid me 49 Dollars. David Woodruff paid me 5 Dollars. I Paid Robt Hole 10 Dollars. was out to (see) Armstrong Blackburns Hogs. they are very nice talk of Buying 3 of them. Benjamin Windall brought 5 Hogs to Heaton that averaged 515 lb the heaviest one weighed 634 lb. 590 555 401 393 the weight. Peter Boswells Daughter Died last night.

Dec 29 Colder fine winter weather. took Duke & the cutter and went out to A Blackburns to buy his Hogs but could not. cut up my pork & Done but little else to Day.

Dec 30 Windy with considerable more snow. hauled wood until noon. Snowed so fast we then quit. made a lard press in afternoon. Bought 581 lb of Pork of Jehu Fawcett paid him $26.14 cents for it. first rate sleighing. cleared off at 9 O'clock P M. Bought hinges screws and fastenings for mothers new House.

Dec 31 Some cooler as I write (before Daylight). clear & star light But clouded up at 8 O'clock A M & snowed as fast as I ever see it snow pretty nearly all Day. cut up & salted the Ballance of my pork. put up 13 hundred & 68 lb. made most of the sides into lard. got Done about 10 O'clock P M. Ura Sharpnack is here with us to night has her youngest Son (Aaron) with her. he is a ____ Boy 10 months old. we go late to Bed.

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Jan 1 mild winter weather with as good sleighing as can be. Ben Jones is spending the Day at Joel McMillans the Barker Family are there. made an axe Handle for Phillip Evans as good a one as he ever saw he must give me a quarter for it. Margaret is up town to see Father Goulbourn he is getting much better. a little snow falling through the Day. Ham has gone Sleighing. Alfred Sheets has the Billious Fever. Wm Kidd Son formerly of Salem (Now of Wisconsin) is in on a visit. spent part of the afternoon up town at Father Goulbourns & Jesse Hises.

Jan 2 Cloudy & cold. worked in shop most of the Day making a one Horse Sled and an axe Handle for Isaac Thomas. some indications of a thaw.

Jan 3 Clear & considerable warmer. went to Jo Balls & got a sled runer & one Bushel of Apples. repaired my log sled but the snow is leaving us very fast. Hen Shaffer got my Bob Sleds to go to Canfield. the Colored People have a Dance at the Farquhar House a large Ball. Joseph Barker & his whole Family with Joel & Sarah McMillan spent the evening & took Supper with us. we had a very pleasant time. Joseph & his Lady Starts for Philadelphia tomorrow. still thawing at 10 O'clock P M. (Matta Cat Died).

Jan 4 Clear & warm still thawing. worked in shop most of the Day. Paid our Bill with Anti Slavery Fair. Emily Robinson paid me4 25/100 cents. Cris & I ground our Sausage meat 150 lb. went Down to Depot to see Joseph Barker & Lady start East. they Started about 7 O'clock P M. the Boys butchered Mother Hises Hog.

Jan 5 Clear & warm. worked in shop most of the Day. Rented a house (No 1) to Isaac Mendenhall until April 1st 54 for 9 Dollars. he paid me 5 Dollars Down is to pay the Ballance when he moves in. Wm McCracken Paid me 1 25/100 for wagon tongue. Hen Shaffer Paid me 50 cents for Sled hire. I paid of a vondue note of 11.64 cts to Elias Moore (Administrator to the Estate of Elizabeth Moore Deceased). prepared the Paint for Mother Hises house. Bought Brick. snow all gone.

Jan 6 Cloudy & cold. ground frose again grows colder all Day. painted Mother Hises House. Done but little else. Ben Jones gone to Strattons. got a letter from John Hise wrote the work off of 2 States. Read Giddings Speech one of his best.

Jan 7 Clear & very cold all Day. Cris & I hauled a load of Hay from farm and 4 loads of fodder from Benj Jones lot. hauled our Fair arches Down home and returned the Boards I borrowed of George Sheets. Rachel & Don Hafley took Supper with us. Lucy Stone is out at Joseph Barkers. Ben went out to see her to night. writ part of a letter to john Hise and framed one for Hiram Rigg. Lousi Phillip Started East with horses. Roads frose hard and no Snow.

Jan 8 Partially clear & cold all Day. spent part of the Day in David Woodruffs Paint shop

talking with McDonald his Painter. putied up the woodwork in Mothers House. in the evening attended the Lecture of Lucy Stone. she is a good speaker. wrote a letter to john Hise and one to Hiram Rigg. at 12 O'clock am ready to go to Bed.

Jan 9 Weather about the Same nice winter. put in the Day repairing Isaac Thomas log Cart. Bought some Boston Syrup of McConnell & some butter. spent most of the evening in his Store. ground frose hard roads good.

Jan 10 Cloudy with wind in South. threatens snow wish it may snow. worked some in shop. Settled with josh Holloway he owed & paid me 2 Dollars & 66 cents. Abram Shinn Paid me 8 Dollars on Wm Stewart acct. Paid Hiram Allan 9 50/00. Paid for the Bugle up to Jan 1st 1855. was up to Father Goulbourns this evening.

Jan 11 Cloudy & little colder not going to that to Day. Settled with Louis Blane owed him 2 50/100 paid him fifty am to pay Mother Hise 2. he started East with able Phillips. rained all the afternoon. Mother & Margaret went to Sharpnacks.

Jan 12 Warm Damp & Foggy roads getting muddy. put my hams & Shoulders under strong Pickle yesterday. I was afraid to risk it on the Bench. am now at work contriving & putting up an aperatus for ringing the Town Bell. rained considerable this afternoon. went to the funeral of Cris Kinemans child but few there.

Jan 13 Cold & windy ground frose pretty hard. finish my Bell ringer & put it up. Dont know how it will Do. paid Mother 2 Dollars for Louis Blane. Bought 50 lb flour cost 1 50/100. snowed some and is very stormy. Margaret is up at Mother Hises. Henry Coys wife Died last night. Elizabeth Hise got a letter from George Hise yesterday. he is Still in California working at Blacksmithing.

Jan 14 Cold with a very little snow. Bought a keg of white lead gave 2 50/100 for. ground Paint & Painted 2 rooms in Mother Hises House. talked some with Allen Forker. I am about Moulding brick but made no Definite bargain. Bought paper for Mothers House. thawed some through the Day.

Jan 15 Cloudy & cold very fine winter weather. some expect to paper at Mothers House to Day provided the Paint gets Dry in time. papered all the P M. quite pleasant all Day. rather warmer & some prospects of snow at Bed time.

Jan 16 Cloudy & warmer. rained most of the Day. went out to the farm & got wet. finished papering the room. turned some colder snowed some. read the Liberator & Tribune.

Jan 17 Colder & snowing. I am affraid it is too cold to snow much. worked some on Tom Meads Wagon. Bought one Bushel Potatoes for 50 cents. 10 lb good beef for 50 cents. Dressed up my X cut saw. we all attended the Benevolent Concert given by a few Ladies of Salem the proceeds are given to the Poor. 66 Dol were taken at the Door. all

passed off quietly and Dismissedin good order at 1/4 past 9 P M. weather about the same moderately cold only.

Jan 18 Cloudy & rather inclined rain. Jim Ball arrived from Iowa. worked in wood shop all the Day. went to hear Rev A Henry of Cincinnatti Lecture against Romanism but he was rather Dry and I left. Mary Baumont spent the evening here. moderate winter weather all Day.

Jan 19 Cloudy & weather about the same. got an order from Caldwell & Fletcher for 2 Doz picks. Ham is at work at them. put in the Day at meads wagon. was up town to hear something from the Erie Riots but nothing came to Day. snowed some but no Sledding.

Jan 20 Cloudy & warm. Settled with Sam Brooke (or his agent) Charley Horn he paid me 11.86 cents. Bought a Barrel of flour of Allison paid 6 Dollars without the Barrel. made R R picks all Day. thundered and Rained very hard most of the afternoon. paid John Thompson a Dollar. bought stove pipe for Mother.

Jan 21 Cold & windy ground frose hard. worked in shop most of the Day. put on iron hamer on the Bell Ringer. hooped Isaac Thomas large wheels. Paid Ben Hilman 8 Dollars. going to freese very hard to night. Read a partial account of the Debate Between Joseph Barker & Dr Berg of Philadelphia. the Doc is unfair is quite too personal.

Jan 22 Clear & most Darned cold. after Breakfast Cris & I took walk to look for chesnut to cut up for Brick wood. found plenty of it. came home by Allen Forkers. went into his cave and helped ourselves to some of his apples. got home before noon. the wind still blows hard & cold. Mary Williams took Diner with us. continues cold at Bed time. wrote a letter to J F hise of New Albany, Indiana.

Jan 23 Clear & about as cold as can be. frose very hard last night. wind blew hard & howled all night 6 Degrees below Zero. worked in shop all Day at wood work of John Gordons wagon. sent 10 more picks to _____ & Co. Read the Debate between Barker & Berg. went to Bed at midnight still very cold.

Jan 24 Clear & might cold yet. worked in shop most of the Day. Eli Fawcetts wife Died to Day. went Down to Columbiana on the 6 O'clock evening train to see George Freidt. Did not see him left his note with the Squire for collection. returned at 12 O'clock P M. moderated some.

Jan 25 Clear but some hasy. looks like storming. worked all Day in shop. Moved Mother Hises goods Down since Dark. Stormed some & is very icy & Dark.

Jan 26 Cloudy & warm thawing fast. had another trial of the Town Bell. put a much heavier hamer on it. Joseph Barker Jr took Diner with us to Day. Settled with Jehu Fawcett the first time since 47. owed him 32 52/100. Dark & muddy at 9 O'clock.

Jan 27 Clear & some colder. frose considerable last night. Sis slept in with Grandmother Hise last night the first the house was ever occupied. worked in shop all Day. Jane E Jones paid me 75 Dollars (by Ben) on acct. grows colder all Day. Wm Rey sold his large grey Horses for 320 Dollars cash. wind blows hard and is going to freese hard to night.

Jan 28 Clear & cold all Day. Dressed up and Drove the spokes in my wagon wheels. Done some shores about town. Josiah Fawcett paid me 2 25/100 for Brick. went to Bed at 8 O'clock. Ben Jones went Down to Columbiana to Lecture on Anti Slavery.

Jan 29 Cold with some snow continued until about noon. worked at my wagon. Rebecca Taylor Died at 8 O'clock A M of consumption. had several calls from our neighbors. Ben Jones got Back at about 12 O'clock last night.

Jan 30 Partially clear & warm. worked in shop all Day. Joel McMillan paid me 39 47/100 on Ben Jones acct a ballance coming to me out of 85 Dollars originally coming from Said Jones. Unkle Toms Cabin is being Played in Town Hall. Sis & Mary Hafley is going to see it. some mild with a very little rain at 9 O'clock P M.

Jan 31 Cloudy & warm mudy. Done but little this A M. attended the Funeral of Rebecca Taylor took place at 1 O'clock P M. She was Dressed in her clothes that she was used to wearing and looked Right much better than Dressed in a stiff Shroud. the first I ever saw and I like it much. got a letter from Wm Stephenson Esq of Columbiana with a proposal from George Freidt to pay me fifty Dollars in the place of 61 he owes me. I accepted the offer - he is to pay the Money this week. Settled with David Woodruff he owed me 194 44/100 Dollars gave me his Due Bill for the Amt. wind Blowing at 9 P M but not very cold.

Feb 1 Clear & warm mud Drying up fast. warm as it should be in May. Paid George Noosebaum 3 Dollars owe him 2 60/100 yet. worked all Day in shop. Cris hauled wood this A M. Wheat is bringing 1.50 per Bushel Flour 8 50/100 per Barrel.

Feb 2 Cloudy & colder but ground is not frose. Settled with Ben Jones he owed me 59 13/100. he Started to Michigan expects to be gone 2 1/2 months. Settled with Sharp & Bonsall they owed me 119 63/100. Settled with Johnson & Horner they owed me 16 00/100 Dollars. growed gradually colder all Day. at Dark ground frose hard enough to bear. worked some in shop. spent the evening at home to night.

Feb 3 Partially clear and cold ground covered with Snow. Painted my One Horse wagon. Bought a Sett of Spokes of Jo Picket. commenced another 2 Horse wagon. thawed none of account to Day. Bought Sis a Pair of shoes cost 1.00. spent the evening up town.

Feb 4 Cloudy & some warmer. sawed a sett of Fillies for 2 horse wagon. Brot Down my spokes that I bought of Picket. was too unwell to work much. blacksmithed some. spent most of the afternoon up town. Old Mrs Hafley visited us this afternoon. quite a nice

woman. nothing new up town to Day. spent the evening at home Doctoring my throat which quite sore for the first time since the winter of 36 & 37. I used to be subject to the quinsey but at that time I quit wearing collars to my shirts or a cravat of any kind and as written above this is the first symptom of it since. But this was brot on by undue exposure.

Feb 5 Clear & pleasant at Sunrise got up very late. David Painter called Down & we had quite pleasant talk about the early settlement of Salem and vicinity. his Father (Jacob Painter) moved here in 1802 in November. helped Raise the house built in Salem. Mary Hafley & Sis have took the Horse & carriage and gone out to Albany. my throat is still sore. clouded up at 10 O'clock A M.

Feb 6 Clear & cool. feel some better. Done but little work to Day. was out to Sharps Foundry. Saw Frank Douglass there. Tom has some nice engines under way. took Supper & spent the evening with Jesse Hise & wife had a Pleasant time. Old Henry Smith was Buried to Day. he was a black man in his exterior but inwardly was as white as wool. was one of the earliest settlers of this county and was of course an old Man. clear & moonlight.

Feb 7 Cloudy & cold. feel better to Day. worked in shop most of the time. helped Jo Ball bend 4 Ox Bows. Bought 50 cords of wood of Wm Fawcett for 62 1/2 cents. Charles Griffing took Diner with us. Bought 1 Hundred lb of Flour gave 3 75/100 Dollars for it. snowing at 4 O'clock and continuing at 7 P M. Saw Croft Coast at the Farquhar House. Jesse Hise got a letter from Aaron Hise he is still at Mendon La. May Beaumont is spending the evening with us. pleased to have neighbors call in. Deposited 125 Dollars in Bank yesterday. Bought 1 hundred letter envelopes for 12 1/2 cents cheap enough.

Feb 8 Cloudy & warm snow thawing off. worked in shop all Day. rained considerable this afternoon roads muddy. nothing special to say and will now retire.

Feb 9 Clear & cold ground frose hard. got Cris to move our corn out of Smoke house & put it in the Barn. worked in shop all Day. got the Spokes Driven in my new wheels. Spent the evening up town. some warmer at Dark. is not freesing any at 9 O'clock P M.

Feb 10 Clear & cold. worked in shop all Day. Albert Dunlap Died of Consumption this A M. Mary Anne Our Daughter is 11 years old to Day. clear & moonlight freesing hard. Read the fomest City.

Feb 11 Clear & cold. worked in Shop all Day. finished a Sett of wagon wheels & made a Brand for Philip Evans. got a letter from J Elizabeth Jones she is now at M Roots in Oneida Castle New york. she wants some information concerning her house. spent the evening up town. quite cold all Day and freesing hard to night. George Lippand the great American author is Dead.

Feb 12 Cloudy & cold frose hard last night. after breakfast went up to Ben Hilmans on

Business for J E Jones came home by the Depot to see the ____ Saw. after eating a bite Margaret & I took a walk out the plank as far as Allen Forkers. cleared off & was very pleasant most of the Day. Albert Dunlap was buried to Day.

Feb 13 Cloudy & warm raining at Daylight. worked hard in shop all Day. Philip Evans paid me 1 Dollar for his Brand. Bought 1 sett of wagon Boxes cost 1 25/100 Dollars. spent the evening up town. rained all Day more and less roads very muddy. sent Don Botton a Valentine. Council is trying Ed Phillips for selling Liquor. got 136 lb of good Beef of Sam Bently cost 6 80/100 Dollars. paid for and I am glad of it.

Feb 14 Cloudy warm & wet rained all night waters high & roads muddy. Louis Blane came home last night on the 12 O'clock train. worked in shop all Day. rained most of the afternoon. got a letter from George Hise the following is a copy of it (wrote him an answer to night).

Nevada City, California Jan 25th

My dear brother Howel

It was with great Satisfaction that I received your long and interesting letter of Nov 14th 53. I perused with great interest I can assure you. It had been so long since I had received a letter from Home that I almost flew into Extacies. Most of the content of your letter was news to me altho I had heard of the Death of Der Father before I left Oregon. I had a letter from Brother Jesse one or two days before I started for the Mines. I am Sorry to hear of the Death of Mrs E Woodruff. Poor Emon it appears he to be his fate to get Bad News lately. You wish me to give you a Description of the Country through which I traveled en Route to Oregon. But I Presume you have read far better Description of it than I shall be able to give you now as I did not (as I intended to Do) keep a Regular Journal while crossing the Plains. I had too much else to Do to think of keeping a Journal. All that I can say about the first part of the Road and Country is that it is very Beautiful, that is for Several Hundred miles up the Platte River. It is as level as a Floor for three or four hundred miles. But from Ft Laramie on through to Ft Hall it is very Rough Country indeed. But before getting this far you Pass Several fine Natural Curiosities among which I will first name Court House Rock. it is a singular Structure composed of Sand and clay and rises to the height of 251 feet according to my measure. it is very easy ascended and has much the appearance of a House (at a little Distance) with Dormer Windows and Chimneys. you can See it plain for a Distance of 15 miles.

The next Curiousity of any account that I now think of is Chimney Rock about 2 hundred miles further on the Road. it is composed of much the same kind of Earth as Court House Rock except that it may be a little more Sandy. It is quite a Curiosity you can see it for 10 miles before you get to it it looks no larger than a common cnadle. But it is about fifteen feet in Diameter and 750 feet high. It is well filled with Autographs around the Base. I climbed 25 feet above any name and on it wrote mine. the person that gets above it will have to climb hard I assure you. But this Rock is continually wearing away, you can

scarcely approach it without a pair gogles to keep the Sand out of your eyes. Scott Bluff is the next object to attract attention. this is a cut through the Mountain and very narrow Just barely room for a wagon to get through. Hubs rub on both sides as you Pass along. the Bluff on the Right hand side Rises Perpendicular to heighth of one Thousand feet. here and there a solitary Cedar is all the timber you will see here. a very strong Draft of air pervades this Pass. you must wear gogles or a Vail in order to pass it comfortable. The next Day after we passed this Bluff we experienced a very severe hail Storm. Hail fell about 6 inches Deep in less than 20 minutes. we had pitched our tents for the night when all at once the storm was upon us. I had been wearing my Mockisons all Day having neglected to put on my Boots and while being at my ease in my tent the storm came on with such violence and the Hail fell insuch torrents that our Cattle and Horses would not stand it. one of the latter jumped Square through my Tent at one Bound and completely Demolished it and away went my Cattle and i thinking it would not Do to loose sight of them put after them at the top of my speed. they Ran about 4 miles by the time the Storm abated and I was with them. I of course lost no time in getting Back to Camp ... arrived about Dark wet to the skin and nearly frose but we had no fire and no wood nor no nothing so I took my Blanket Rolled up and crawled under the Wagon and Slept Soundly until morning.

Independence Rock is the Next object of note. it is a very hard granite and is 320 feet high. covers about one acre and a half of ground. there is one or two excellent Springs Running out of the crevises and the face of the Rock is literally covered with names. here we had another Hail Storm but not so Bad as the one I have already mentioned.

Three miles further on from this Rock is the Devils gate. this place is called Canyon where the Sweet Water River breaks through the Solid Rock the highest points of which is about one Hundred feet. After we left this place we travelled through a very Barren and Rocky Country nothing of any particular interest attracts our notice until we commence the Decent of the Rocky Mountains. here we come to the Sulphur and the Indigo Springs. Indigo Springs is verry large, affords sufficient Water Power to Run 4 Pairs of Mill Stones. here we struck Bear River had plenty of grass and good water But no wood. was forced to use Buffaloe chips (on crackers) as we Emigrants term them as a Substitute. from here we had a Reasonable good time until we Reached the Soda Springs. I presume you have heard all about them. the water is of a Reddish cast and Blubers continually. I tasted the water but Did not like it. the Steam Boat Springs is the greatest Curiosity of the Spring kind that I ever seen. it makes a noise very much like the Puff of a Steam Boat and can be heard a Distance of Several Rods. this is fifty miles from Fort Hall. we spent the 4th of July at this Fort. Nothing going on that was especially interesting. We had considerable trouble crossing the River Portnuff. this is the first waters of Snake (or Lewis River). after three Days travel from Fort Hall we merged into one of the most Barren and Desolate Country that I have ever seen. Nothing but Sand Hills, Greese wood and Sage. We traveled Down Snake River about five hundred Miles. it was by far the worst part of the whole Road Being a Desert almost all the way with water every 10 or 20 miles. The Road was so Dusty we could with Difficulty get our Breath. the Dust was from 8 to 10 inches Deep and about one half Lime and Alkali Which was very poisonous

to the Cattle. twas here my Cattle first began to Die. they would commence Bleeding at the nose which was a signal for us to turn them out of the Team.

There are several fine Falls on the River (Snake) the American is the first of any note. they fall about 25 feet almost Perpendicularly. then came the Salmon the Shoo and the Shumee Falls. the latter falls Six Hundred feet in about one Mile. there is no one place where they fall more than 40 feet Perpendicular. along the River it is very Rocky also plenty of Pumice Stone here. there is holes in the ground resembling Wells to the depth of 50 and one hundred feet have the appearance of being walled up with Stone that are very hard and resemble old junk Bottles.

here our provisions began to get Scarce But I caught Fish and Shot Rabbits which are very plenty here and uncommon large. Some call them Hare. I shot one that had ears 15 inches long. this may seem incredible but it is a Stubborn fact. After we left Snake River we had a Reasonable good time considering everything. here we had no Indians to molest us at all. Sometimes we encamped by ourselves and sometimes we would have Company. When we got into the Umatilla Nation we got anything we wanted Peas Beans and Potatoes for which we traded Shirts. I traded off all my Shirts but the one I had on my Back. This Nation of Indians have more Horses than any People I ever saw. I saw one Drove that contained at least 50 thousand head. from here we had a very good time until we reached the Cascade Mountains with roads good generally speaking Some Hills though. we got to the gates in the Mountains on the 10th Day of August was 9 Days in crossing them. I think I suffered more here than any part of the Road. The first night in them it commenced to Rain and Snow. it was awful cold here 3 yoke of my oxen and one cow frose to Death. I was forced to keep up a good fire to keep from freesing myself. I Do not think I had a dry stick of clothes on me for 10 Days and never knew what it was to sleep on anything but the ground and a wet Blanket. No one knows but those that crosses the Plains what hardships one has to endure. I presume that I was about the hardest looking chap that you ever saw when we got into the Vally. My Pantiloons were torn above the knee, my hat Brim was half torn off and to add still more to my wretched appearance I had not shaved for 2 months. I cannot tell you what I thought of the Country when I first arrived at Fosters (this is the first house that we came to in the Vally). Says I to myself is this "Oregon" if it is I am Boned Sartain. I remained at Fosters Some 3 or 4 Days at work. got some clothes and went to Salem. here I staid some 2 weeks had work a part of the time But could not get a job in the Shop (Blacksmith).

Sold my Wagon then went up Country took up a claim. Done a little work on it then Sold it for 150 Dollars and concluded to go to the mines and try my luck But I went in the wrong time of year. Provisions was Tremendous high. Flour was one Dollar 50 cents per pound and meat the same. I tell you I had to work to make grub. But I was determined to find a Slug if I could. But I never had the luck to find one worth more than 5 Dollars.

I worked in the mines about 4 months at the end of which time I had just 235 Dollars clear of expenses. Pulled up Stakes and quit working in the Mines to try my luck in a Shop. went to Cresent City and took passage to San Francisco.

was in the City some 8 or 10 Days could get no work. went from there to Sacramento City had the good fortune to find Ben Owens, Jo Garwood and Jonathan Nut. I got work for 2 weeks here. heard of Emon Webb and Sam Middleton went to them and worked for them one month and then came to Nevada City and here I am yet and hope to stay if I can. But i think fate is rather against me here for I have strained my Breast so that I cannot work at present and if it does not get better in a few Days I shall loose my Berth. I was making a Harp when i hurt it which weighed 150 pounds and is one of the Best jobs ever made in California. Boss charges 1 Hundred Dollars for it. I made it in one Day and a half. as I cannot work I am going Down to see Emon & Sam this afternoon.

Mines are not Doing much this winter owing to the scarcity of water altho on Monconetta hill a company on last Friday & Saturday took out 3 Hundred ounces. whereever there is water the Miners are Doing well. enough work has been done around Nevada to Dig a Canal half way across the Nevada Mountains. you say in your letter that you think I must have saw the Elephant since I left home. I have I can assure you and I have seen the Elpontus and Sailed up it 26 miles. but I will conclude for the Present.

Feb 15 Cloudy and a little cooler. finished my wagon. spent some time up town. wrote a letter to Jane E. Jones and one to Timothy White. Paid Don Strawn 5 Dollars.

Feb 16 Clear & cold ground frose hard. sett in my wagon Boxes. Settled with Casper Hilman he gave me an order on Ely Wolfley for 38 33/100 Dollars. thawed But little to Day.

Feb 17 Clear & cold thawed a little in the middle of the Day. tracked up my wagon. Jesse Allen Paid me 55 Dollars from from George Freidt of Columbiana. spent the evening at Johnson & Horners talking over incidents that took place 30 years ago. freesing hard to night.

Feb 18 Clear & pleasant thawed some. sawed out a Sett of Fellees for Wm Fawcett wagon. Mrs Church Paid me $6.12 cents. I paid George Noosebaum 2 Dol Isaac Boone one Dollar & 12 cents Road tax. agreed to paint a wagon for Don Batton he finds the Paint and gives me 2 gallons of oil for Doing it. no news to Day.

Feb 19 Clear & warm. got up late rimmed one wheel for Wm Fawcett but the Day was so fine that I quit work to take a walk with Margaret. she & I went see Phillip Evans new sugar house it will be convenient when Done. from there we went out to the farm. after looking round awhile we went over to Joel McMillans to spend the afternoon. found Joseph Barker Jr the 2 Grisell girls & some others there. had a good time. got home before sundown. Caroline & Elizabeth Grisell accompanied us. we came by and called in to see Elizabeth Jones new house. spent the evening up at Father Goulbourns read George Hises letter to him. he is very much better. a little cooler and is going to freese some to night. to bed to bed.

Feb 20 Cloudy & cooler going to snow. Margaret Sis & Grandmother is going to Canfield. commenced snowing about 9 O'clock & continued falling all Day melted some as it fell. rimed 3 wagon wheels the Price is $6.75 cents. put in some new spokes. Margaret got back before Dark. no news to day.

Feb 21 Cloudy & warmer. Cris John Bennett & I hauled 5 large saw logs to Schooleys mill. thawed all Day. got quite muddy before we got Done. Bought 20 lb Dried Apples cost 4 1/2 per lb. Bought Cris a pair of Boots at Johnson & Horner cost 3 Dollars. freesing some to night. Albert Silver came Down this evening to engage our smoke house to smoke his Meat in. he got it.

Feb 22 Cloudy & cool thawed some through the Day. Done nothing to Day tired hauling logs yesterday. Deposited 55 Dollars in Bank. got a letter from J.E. Jones. Marius Robinson called Down to ascertain the price of my farm. he wants to buy a small one near town. snowed & blowed severely at 7 O'clock. wheat worth one Dollar and a half to Day. corn 33 cents and corn 55 cash.

Feb 23 Clear & cold and remained cold all Day. worked some in shop. spent the evening up town in Jehu Fawcetts store. got home a little after 9 O'clock clear & star light. Margaret has the tooth ache. flour declining.

Feb 24 Clear & quite warm in the middle of the Day. painted my one horse wagon. went to Meads Saw Mill & got some Boards for wagon Bed. roads muddy. Cris hauled wood this forenoon. Ham got his tooth Drawn. Benj Bown engaged me to make him an Ox yoke. want to make him a good one. Mary Heckwilder was the first white child Born in Ohio. Moravian Mission was the Place of her Birth. the year is not given wish it was.

Feb 25 Clear and every indication of a fine Day but clouded up at 9 O'clock & was raw and cool all Day. Allen Forker paid me 10 Dollars the last he owed me for the wagon I sold him last fall. was out to Jo balls his Mother is poorly she is old. Sis had a bad cold. Margaret is washing her as I write at 1/2 past 8 P M. Horses plenty to sell and Bring a Big price.

Feb 26 Cloudy & wet rained considerable last night. made a wagon Bed. went Down to Schooleys Sawmill. Came back to Sharps Foundry stayed until night. took supper with Tom Sharp. read Byron & came home at 8 O'clock. Dark and a little cooler.

Feb 27 Cloudy & cold some snow on the ground. worked in shop most of the Day. Nothing special to record.

Feb 28 Clear & thawed considerable this forenoon. bent another Ox Bow. clouded up at noon & air cold and Damp. John Goulbourn is Bad to Day had to tie him But at 8 O'clock P M is better. went to bed and appears Rational. wrote a letter to Judge Read of New Lisbon asking admittance into the County house for him as we Deem it unsafe to keep him here longer. sent 35 Dollars to Leech of Pittsburgh By John McCalla. (Man Killed on R

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Mar 1 Clear & verry warm all Day. roads muddy. Cris & I hauled Robt Hale 500 Brick got them of Pidgeon. John Goulbourn is still better to Day. he was Down here all the forenoon took Diner with us after which he went home. sold our Old cooking S to Wm Miller. he is going to Mould Brick for me. hauled some wood.

Mar 2 Cloudy wet rained most of the Day. Bought 50 lb flour cost 1.82 cents. Partly Bargained with Wm Fawcett to furnish his Brick. John Goulbourn has gone off. fact must out.

Mar 3 Clear & Delightful all Day blew hard last night. Painted Don Boltons wagon. got a letter from C P Fletcher saying he had not received a lot of Picks I shipped to him on the 23rd of January last. I shall try and hunt them up. got a line from Ben Jones he is in Michigan. have written 4 letters to night and am now tired. John Goulbourn got Back to Day tired enough. he was out all night. Margaret has a severe cold. lent Allen Forker Jr 5 Dollars wants more tomorrow.

Mar 4 Cloudy & windy fose none last night. got up early and after breakfast went out to the farm to haul hay but the road is so very bad that I abandoned the idea. went to Schooleys Mill and stuck up my scantling returned home before noon. worked some in shop. Drew 40 Dollars out of Bank. lent Allen B Forker 8 Dollars making 13 in all took his Due Bill. Isaac Crumrine & wife took Supper with us as did Jesse Hise and his wife. cleared off warm at 10 O'clock A M and was pleasant all the Ballance of the Day mud dried up very much. our company all went home early.

Mar 5 Clear & warm all Day windy. made an Ox yoke for Ben Bowen. went up to Evans Sugar camp. wrote the work off of 2 slates. am tired of writing.

Mar 6 Cloudy. got up early & took Old Mike out to the farm. hauled our Rick of hay in 5 loads into the Barn & 2 home. cleared off & was verry pleasant all Day. Paid John Bennett four Dollars his share of the hay. clouded up at Dark and looks like Rain. was all up to see John Goulbourn he came home on the Cars from Columbiana sick & exhausted. I am tired & got head ache.

Mar 7 Cloudy & looks like raining. got up early & Brot Kate & Duke from the farm. hauled stone for _____ and a load of Plank for Jo Balls Saw Mill. hauled wood in afternoon. repaired the Town Bell. cashed a Note for Ramsey Smith on Allen B Forquhar calling for 31 Dollars & 60 cents. gave 28 Dollars for it. Rained some before night. John Goulbourn is Poorly. I am going to stay up with him to night.

Mar 8 Cloudy & wet rained all last night. roads Bad. John is Better. Painted my wagon Beds. Settled with Tom Sharpnack Paid him 50 Dollars owe him 17 yet. Paid A Shinn 22 Dollars Plank Road money. Cris is oiling our Harness. clear and warm.

Mar 9 Cloudy 7 rainy at Sunrise. Day tolerable fair. hung my hams & Shoulders up to smoke. hauled a load of cinder into the Smokehouse. hauled a load of fodder from Ben Jones lot. Aunt Mary Howel spent the evening with us. Old Wm Cook (Englishman) was Buried to Day. I learned this evening that Wm Cook (an American) who lived 6 miles north was also buried to Day. Joseph Glutor an old Friend of my Father Died yesterday. Raining steadily since 6 O'clock is Dark & muddy at 9.

Mar 10 Cold Cloudy & wet rained all night. worked in wood shop all Day. waters high & ground uncommon wet. snowed some since Dark. weather disagreeable in the extreme.

Mar 11 got up early at which time it was cloudy. took the Mare out to the farm. Roads so bad cannot haul. cleared off and is very pleasant at 9 O'clock. Cris & I cut & split up one of our chesnut trees on John Fawcetts lot. made 104 good Rails & 2 1/2 cords of wood. got Done early. Bought 1 Bushel of Potatoes of Johnson & Horner paid 50 cents for them. Hamiltons time is out to Day.

Mar 12 Clear & warm. got up late shaved off my whiskers. Ben Hilman Called in on Business Read George Hises letter to him. Stanton Webb called to Buy my Wagon but Did not. spent some time in the Farquhar House. went up to Philip Evans Sugar camp sugar water ran but little came home. Margaret spent the afternoon up at Jesse Hises I took supper there. moon shines bright as Day.

Mar 13 Cloudy & looks a little like Rain. worked hard in wood shop all Day. cleared off and was very pleasant most of the Day. A Telegraff Dispatch came from Erie since Dark saying that the Mob had again took Possession of the Rail Road there. heard to night that Sam Sharpnack had sold his farm to John Sesnie for 14 hundred Dollars.

Mar 14 Clear at Sunrise some rain with thunder last night. clouded up at 7 O'clock but no rain. helped to move Father Goulbourn & Timothy Gee into the country. Abraham Shinn & I hauled 2 loads each. Father seemed well satisfied with his farm. Margaret Sis & Mother Hise all went Down. we came back about 6 O'clock.

Mar 15 Cloudy & pleasant mud Dried up. Cris hauled wood to Farquhar House. I hauled 9 hundred feet of Siding from Englands Mill. made a Bridge at the end of alley that leads to Brick yard. Ham has gone a gunning. windy this afternoon and at 7 O'clock P M is raining a little. Mother Hise got a letter from John Hise. they are all well.

Mar 16 Clear & warm. attended Aaron Holloways Sale. Bought considerable 7 or 8 Dollars worth. rode Duke Down. found a complete match for him Belonging to Jeremiah Bossart. shall most likely Sell out to him. Drawed 28 Dollars out of Bank. Bought 235 lb sugar cost 12.70. Alfred Sheets Paid me 10 Dollars rent. Henry Shaffer Paid me $4.50 on his hinges owes me 8 Dollars yet. Paid Albert Teeters 3.70 cts. Ben Holliday Paid me 75 cts on act. Cris hauled wood all Day. cool to night.

Mar 17 Cloudy & windy all Day. Bought 5 1/2 Bushels of Potatoes for 194 cents. 2 Bushels of Parsnips for 75 cents. Paid Rheuben Schooley 7 Dollars owe him 1.37 1/2 yet. am not well to Day. Bought me a new cap at Heatons gave 50 cents for it. J E Jones returned this evening. Delivered a lecture in Coneautte this forenoon and is at home at Dark. her head aches severely But after Drinking a cup of coffee feels better and at Bed time is about well. wrote a letter to Leonard Cross of East Fairfield. want him to work on Brick yard this Summer. wind blows a perfect gale all the evening. Mary Beaumont took Supper with us.

Mar 18 Cloudy windy & verry cold all Day. Painted wagon & Blacksmithed in afternoon. spent a part of the evening up town.

Mar 19 Clear & cold all Day. blacksmithed some. mended my violin. wrote Rat tracks No 1. Lyda Ann Hoopes took supper with us. Livvie Jones is out at McMillans going to stay all night. clear at sunsett.

Mar 20 Clear & cold all Day. sett up my wagon shod a horse or two. Cris is hauling wood. J E Jones is Down at Joels yet but will be back to Day. David Justice is here to Supper.

Mar 21 Clear & cold ground frose. shod 2 horses. David Justice Bought a plow of Hen Ritsell for 13 Dollars I am to Pay him for it. David has an act of 20 Dollars against John Hise which I have agreed to pay owe him 7 Dolls yet. helped Cris haul wood this P M. warmer and looks some like rain.

Mar 22 Cloudy & Damp. finished haulingwood out of Fawcetts lot. Jane E Jones started to Illinois expects to be gone until Oct next. she sacrifices a great Deal in leaving home But in the end hopes to make her home more Desirable. she paid me 45 Dollars before she left. accompanied her to Depot saw her Baggage all aboard. Barclay Gilbert came Down to Auctioneer Books for Joel McMillan. Drizzled rain part of the Day.

Mar 23 Cloudy & cold. am hauling straw from A Holloways. snowed at 3 O'clock P M but melts as it falls.

Mar 24 Cloudy & cold snowing with some on the ground too cold to thaw. finished my wagon Bed. Done some smithing. cold all Day going to freese hard to night. got a letter from C P Fletcher Upper Sandusky saying he had received his picks the 20th inst that I shipped him on the 23rd Jan last.

Mar 25 Cloudy & verry cold with some snow on the ground. we are having a real winter. March came in beautiful and I think is going out roughly at least that is the present prospect. Done but little work to Day. Cris took the Team & hauled 5 loads of Meat to the Depot for jehu Fawcett. got 4 Busjels Oats for it. Bought 50 lb clover seed & 11 3/4 of Timothy cost 402 & 70 cents. spent the evening with Marius Robinson he has bought a farm 2 1/2 miles South of Salem. cold as greenland at Bedtime.

Mar 26 Clear & cold wind very high all Day. was Down to see Father Goulbourn he is pretty smart but John is Devilish to Day. several visitors to Day. Mary Hafley told us to Day that she was coming back in a few weeks. I am glad of it she is an excellent girl. still cold.

Mar 27 Clear & cold with snow on ground. worked some in shop but set round the hot stoves most of the Day. very cold all Day. Margaret & Sis walked Down to see Father Goulbourn Sis stayed all night. spent the evening in I Heatons Store talking on the Union School question. came home at 8 O'clock.

Mar 28 Clear & cold with another coat of Snow. got up late too cold to work out but looks like thawing some to Day. worked some in shop. snowed fast and is very cold this afternoon. got a Telegraph Dispatch from Ben Jones he is at Battle creek Mich. sent him an answer Paid one Dollar for it. Leonard Cross of Fairfield came on to Day to go to work will commence tomorrow. still cold at Bedtime. Sis is yet out at Father Goulbourns.

Mar 29 Clear & some warmer. hauled 2 loads of lumber from Depot to Joseph Barkers for Ben Hilman one load to Calvin Moore. hauled one load of sheeting from Isaac Thomas for Robert Hale. Jo Brooks & Sam Sharpnack rode in with me from Toll gate. helped Cris & Leonard split wood from then until night. cloudy & some warmer at Dark. Jehu Fawcett Married 3rd wife.

Mar 30 Cloudy & snowing. snowed until noon turned some warmer roads muddy. took Mother Hise Down to Father Goulbourns. Paid Conrad Whitsel 4.62 vondue money. spent the evening at Johnsons Store. warm & foggy at 9 O'clock P M.

Mar 31 Cloud raw & windy air very Damp. Ben Hawley and I took John Goulbourn to the County Infirmery intending to leave him but the accomodations are so miserably poor that I would not leave him. it was to me so heart rending to see misery there. Dozens of old Decrepit People huddled together like so many brutes. I left the Place Disgusted with the Directors of the concern. they must be sett of Political scoundrels caring for nothing but the loaves and fishes. soon after getting home John was taken much worse struck Mary & Mother. Timothy happened to be handy caught him & tied him. on tomorrow he will have to go to jail. I am tired and must go to Bed.

Apr 1 Cloudy & windy with some rain last night. got up late feel refreshed after a nights rest and now think Best to go to work lest the meal in our chest may become so Depressed.

Apr 2 Clear & cool with 1 inch of snow is going to thaw to Day. turned colder and remained so all Day. spent the Day in idleness and a very tiresome time I had of it. Enos Strawn called in to see about a gravel Roof. Harriet Dickinson has been here all Day is going to board with us and go to school. Ham went out to John Gordons and got 1/2

bushel of apples. wrote a letter to Garretson & Hanna of Cleveland enquiring for Pitch. Elizabeth Plumer was buried to Day Died of Consumption. Sis has gone to church with her grandmother.

Apr 3 Clear & most Darned cold but will thaw to Day. Wm Keel takes possession of the shop this morning. Ham has gone there to breakfast for the first. Township Y Boro election to Day. Township paid me 8 20/100 all it owed me. Enos Eldridge is elected Mayor over both Jo Castleberry & George Weaver. Alfred Sheets paid me his rent & 5 Dollars for wood owes me 1 Dollar yet. Peter Fisher came to Day to work. Ike Cumrine started to Iowa to Day his wife does not start for a Day or two. I Paid Albert Teeters 23 Dollars for john Callahan.

Apr 4 Cloudy & threatens rain. all hands are rolling logs at the farm. I hauled on load of chips. Nic Hogate & Ben Scattergood Paid off their Book acct. I Paid C Boone 35 Dollars I owed him. warm & pleasant all Day.

Apr 5 Cloudy & warm. hauled Bob Hole 5 hundred Brick got them of Pidgeon. made me a large gate for the farm. Settled with Imly Holloway he assumed a Debt against Sharp & Bonsall of 124 Dollars. owes me 88 13/100. gave me his Due Bill for it. John Goulbourn is here to night. quite warm all Day.

Apr 6 Cloudy & war. worked out at the farm all Day setting in my Big gate. made a good job of it. heard to Day that James W Walker was Dead. Joseph Barker lectures on Temperance at the Assembly Rooms. Sis is quite Poorly got a heavy cold. Roads good as need be.

Apr 7 Cloudy & cool some rain and frost last night. ordered 3 Barrels of Pitch from Cleveland. Cris and I worked all Day at our front fence. Leonard has gone to New Castle I paid him 3 Dollars before he started. very warm and Pleasant all the afternoon. is some colder at sundown.

Apr 8 Clear & warm. Cris & I worked all Day on the front fence. Paid Anthony Whistler 10 Dollars. Bought Bill Smith a Suit of clothes coat Boots vest and Pantaloons cost 25 Dollars. weather very pleasant all Day. Bought Jehu Fawcetts Old Horse for 40 Dollars he is 17 years Old. clear and moonlight.

Apr 9 Clear & warm. went Down to Joshua Davis's sold him 10 cord of wood. called in to see David Ball as I returned he is very Bad. took Diner at Jesse Hises. Margaret & Sis is Down at Father Goulbourns. they got back at 4 O'clock.

Apr 10 Cloudy. John Kineman & James Post came to work we all worked at the farm making fence. got Done before night and cleaned up my wheat 23 bushels took it to Allisons Mill. Rained good part of forenoon & snowed in afternoon and is snowing at 6 O'clock P M. quite cold & Disagreeable. Mary Beaumont is eating Supper with us. the Hutchinson Family give a concert to night Margaret & Harriet are going. Sis & I are

going to stay at Home.

Apr 11 Clear & pleasant. helped Don Bolton roll out his boiler going to help him patch it. got a letter from New Lisbon saying that Paul & Pritchards Roof was ready. loaded up my tools & Material. took Bud Forker & Jim Post with me got Down at sunsett. took our own oats along put our horses in Scotts Stable and put ourselves up a Hotel for the night. after supper we took a walk up the creek to hunt gravel found plenty of it. went to bed late.

Apr 12 got up at 5 found prospects good. hauled 5 loads of gravel by 7 O'clock. got our pitch hot and commenced laying Paper by 9. at 12 had it all laid & pitched & part graveled at 8 P M we had it completed. settled and got my pay 55 Dollars for 11 squares. got some Hemloc trees & started home at 5 arrived by 1/2 past 8 found all well. received a letter from Pitt announcing that I owed Graff & Linsey for iron which was news to me. I should have Paid it long since had I have known I owed it. shall send up soon.

Apr 13 Clear & warm. the Boys are clearing off the ground ready for Digging clay. I have repaired up a hopper wheelbarrow have 3 good ones now. Drawed 13 Dollars of Johnson & Horner paid Aaron Wilson. Bought a Diner Bell cost 75 cents 17 lb coffee & 28 lb Rice. Ben Jones arrived from Michigan while we were eating supper.

Apr 14 Cloudy. Peter Fisher & I commenced plowing our oats ground but at noon it commenced to rain and at 9 P M is still at it. sent 3 Dollars to Graffe Linsey & Co Pittsburg by Mail. Bought some poor butter. cold and Raw. nothing more to say so good night.

Apr 15 Cloudy wet & cold. while eating breakfast Mr Clements of Hardin Co Ohio called in to make enquiry for a farm he wants to purchase one. I showed him over mine he liked it very much got Back at 1/2 past 11. after Diner I went and helped Don Bolton patch his Boiler. rained and cold all Day. the Boys piled up our manure between showers. I Paid Cris 5 Dollars. Harriet Dickinson went home with her Brother Dave. Ben Jones started to Philadelphia at 6 O'clock P M. will be gone 2 or 3 weeks.

Apr 16 Cloudy & snowing with ground covered and freesing cold and Blustering as one might expect to see in the early part of March. at 9 O'clock A M is snowing very fast has all the appearance of midwinter. at noon I went up to Forker House. storming all Day. snow is now 6 inches Deep and falling fast at Dusk. Mr Clements is here this afternoon we have had a fine talk. he likes this section of country very much expects to settle somewhere in this Neighborhood. Dismal weather as much so as any we have had this winter.

Apr 17 Cloudy cold & still snowing a little. snow is now 7 or 8 inches Deep and looks as tho it might snow all Day. Done nothing all Day snowed a little all Day but melted as it fell. sufficient snow has fallen since yesterday to make 2 feet thick if it had not melted. Harriet has got home again. (all hands idle).

Apr 18 Clear & cold frose hard last night but is going to thaw to Day. waters will be high. 3 of the boys are chopping out at David Fawcetts. sold Dan Koll 135 Dollars in gold gave me one Dollar premium on it. repaired Johnson & Horners awning frame. Paid John Fawcett 40 Dollars. Cars ran off the track west of Wooster no one killed some arms broken and other injuries. snow melted fast but considerable left yet at 9 O'clock P M. Mary Hafley has returned to work for us.

Apr 19 Partially clear & warm looks like rain. took 10 Bushels of corn to mill & 21 Bushels of Oats to get chopped for horse feed. Jim Post hauling wood & I am working at my front fence. got all the Palings nailed on had 3 left. Deposited 209 Dollars in Bank. 3 of the Boys are cutting wood. mud dried up fast to Day. cuts 18 feet Deep on the P R R one full of Snow. no connecting at Pittsburg to Day. to Bed to Bed.

Apr 20 Cloudy & warm. Peter is helping John Bennett plow his corn ground. I put in my time at work on the front fence. in afternoon patched Don Boltons Boiler. Rained & Hailed at 6 O'clock. Ed Philips returned to Day.

Apr 21 Foggy & Damp. worked at front fence all Day. nothing to say.

Apr 22 Cloudy & Dull. made and Hung my front gate the fence is now finished except the Painting. Emon Webb returned from California after an absence of 4 years and one month. he made some money at mining.. left the mines at Nevada on the 10th of March 1854. left Sam Middleton & George Hise there the latter is Blacksmithing get one hundred Dollars Per Month and boarding. rained hard this afternoon roads muddy. spent the evening with Emon at Dave Woodruffs got home at 10 found the folks in Bed.

Apr 23 Cloudy & threatens Rain. got up early and went out to farm. John Bennett & I went Down to John Hilliard & bought a yearling calf to match one we had gave 7 Dollars for it they match well. Dark Brindles. am going out to Dickinsons. had a fine visit. John White called in & took Diner after which we walked over to his farm. got home at Sun Down. Tom Sharp David Woodruff Emon Webb and Mary Beaumont spent the evening with us had a good time.

Apr 24 Clear & warm all Day. all hands at work preparing the Brick yard. sold 5 Dollars worth of scraps. Margaret harriet & I all went out to Barkers and spent the evening had a pleasant time got home before 11 PM.

Apr 25 Partially clear. all at work on the yard. rained considerable toward evening.

Apr 26 Cloudy & coolish. Put on a gravel Roof for Calvin More came to 10 55/100 Dollars. hauled gravel for a Roof for John Whinney (Whinnery?). Elizabeth Chub of Ohio City visited us to Day (glad of it). Margaret took her Down to see Grandfather Goulbourn. windy & Rained some. gave Thomas Pinkham one Dollar toward Defraying expenses of a law Suit in Georgia or North Carolina I have forgotten which. Wm Miller

& his Brother in Law commenced work to Day. we will soon be ready to ...

Apr 27 Cloudy & Dull. Dug clay until 10 O'clock when it commenced Raining & we were forced to quit. Bought 5 Busels of Potatoes of John Thompson cost 31 cents per Busel. cold and very wet & Disagreeable out Doors. went Down to Sharp & Bonsall to get them to cash Jim Holloways note but they preferred lending me the Money one hundred Dollars which I accepted. turned colder and at 6 O'clock is snowing fast. looks like winter.

Apr 28 Cloudy & cold ground covered with Snow. 4 of us went out to David Fawcetts and cut up a large chesnut. sold Daniel Bonsall a log chain for 4 Dollars. cold all Day snow still on the ground at Dark. Jesse Stanley took Diner with us. Settled with Joseph Barker squared all accts.

Apr 29 Cloudy cold and Snowing like the Devil bids fair to be a Deep snow. gave Cris Kineman my Due Billfor 49 Dollars Date Oct 22nd 1853. he had one of the Same Date but lost it. I gave him this one in lieu thereof. Paid John Fawcett 3 Hundred and 79 Dollars and 5 cents one of the Payments on my farm. have but one more comes Due in 55 amounting with interest to about 5 Hundred Dollars. Edmund Phillips Paid me 20 Dollars for Wood. Jesse Allen Paid me 41 50/100 Dollars for Roof Put on last August. I Paid John Bennett 3 50/100 Dollars for my share of the Brindle calf we bought of Job Hilliard on last Sunday. spent the Day in perfect idleness snowed all Day. got a letter from Ben Jones his Mother is now very low with Typhoid Fever (in Phil). he will not be home for some time. had considerable talk with Emon Webb about California. cold and very Disagreeable all Day. go to Bed. at about nine ground still covered with snow.

Apr 30 Cloudy raw and cold with snow on the ground yet and from appearances will continue all Day. rather hard weather for time of year. snowed some through the Day. collected and filed my Bugles. "Oh how Dull".

May 1 Clear & Pleasant. all hands chopped wood this AM and dug clay this PM. I put on a gravel Roof for John Whinney worth 10 Dollars. John Bennett finished Plowing his corn ground to Day at noon. wind Dried up fast. some tired to night and will go to Bed and Rest.

May 2 Cloudy and every indication of Rain. Dug clay until nearly noon but was forced to quit. rained for two or three hours in the Middle of the Day after which we went out to split wood. The Engineers commenced the Survey of the New York R R. went just south of my line (Brick Yard). Roads very muddy. Ed Phillips went East (horses).

May 3 Cloudy & wet. all hands worked at the front fence hauling and Breaking stone sodding yard etc. Elizabeth Dickinson took Diner with us. Drizzled rain some this afternoon. got a letter from J E Jones she is Doing well. cleared off since sunsett and as I write is moonlight. Bill Dickson sett out 18 Apple trees at the farm.

May 4 Clear & pleasant. all hands Dug clay all Day. David Woodruff Paid me 26 Dollars. I Paid off a Draft of 56 35/100 Dollars from Joseph Howard & Co of Pitts. the Davidsons played up some good Music. Mary Beaumont Hannah Beard & Ham called in & spent the evening. go to Bed at 1/2 past 10. Joseph Barker & wife started for England at 3 O'clock PM.

May 5 Partially clear & cool. Dug clay. made James B Wilson a hollow Bridle Bit give me 50 cents for it. nothing special to record. Paid Mary Hafley 2 50/100 Dollars in gold. was up town this evening. wrote a letter to Lizzie Jones to Farmington Ill.

May 6 Clear & cold. Peter Planted our Oats. All the rest of us worked on the yard. Ben Scattergood paid me 10 Dollars. I Divided it with my hands. clear all Day.

May 7 Clear & cool wind in Northwest. Margaret & I walked out to & spent the Day with John Gordon. had a pleasant visit got home before sundown. found all right.

May 8 Clear & cool. got John Bennett to sow my Oats in Bens lot. I harrowed it in got Done at noon. hauled sand this afternoon. clear & fine all Day. got a letter from Ben Jones his mother is yet very low. got a line from Leech McAlpine & Co of Pitt saying they had plenty of Pitch Tar & Rosin. Brought a Gold Watch Down for Margaret to look at talk of Buying it for her. Saw a Horse to Day that not a Hair upon its Body Belongs to Barnum. His Traveling Museum will be here tomorrow.

May 9 Cloudy & wet most of the Day. all hands knocked off but Cris to go to the show Barnums Caravan & Tom thumb. all creation as usual went to see it. Cris & I sodded our Door Yard which I consider better Business than Patronizing such Places. got a letter from John Hise with 20 Dollars in it for Asa Holloway. wrote him an answer to night. Imly Holloway Paid 20 75/100 Dolls the Last he owed me. Bailed D Woodruff for 3 Hundred Dollars Money belonging to Perry Township. Sis has the leg ache to night.

May 10 Cloudy & wet rained all Day. ____ came to finish Plastering Mother Hises House. I made a wagon tongue for myself. nothing special to record. Paid Holloway his 20 Dollars that John Hise sent him. at sun sett looks like clearing off.

May 11 Clear & warm. chopped Down a large white Oak of John Callahans & cut it into Brick wood. finished sodding our Door yard and cleaned up the street in front. Wm Frisby of Cleveland and Rebecca Sharp of Salem spent the evening with us. the former Played the violin. got to bed at 11 PM.

May 12 Clear & warm grass growing very fast. some hands at work on the yard But too much water to Dig clay. Peter hauled 9 loads of stone from Joseph Brooks farm. I am going to give him 75 cents per perch for them and I haul them. Put up Johnson & Horners sign. Settled with Jacob Painter he owed and Paid me 105 cents at Jehu Fawcetts. All our women were out to Sharpnacks. Margaret got her a sett of new teeth cost 24 Dollars. she looks 20 years younger.

May 13 Cloudy & warm. some of us Dug Clay others split wood & hauled crab Timber.

May 14 Clear & cloudy at intervals. Rained some in the fore part of the Day. Mary Hafley went home to stay a week. Margaret Sis & Harriet went with her in the carriage. I spent most of the Day at David Woodruffs shop. read the Harmonial Man By A J Davis it is an excellent work. went Down to Depot to see some ____ plawing Done by Mr Grahams plow of Preble Co Ohio.

May 15 Clear & Pleasant. all Hands Dug clay. Elijah Lewis quit at Noon. I was glad of it he was a Poor excuse. Cornelia Robinson Died last Night at 10 O'clock P M. Borrowed 5 Dollars of W T Fawcett. Paid Bean for Hams boots. Bought some white fish of Aaron Wilson. Paid Wm Miller 5 Dollars.

May 16 Clear & warm. Dug clay until 9 O'clock then went to the funeral of Cornelia Robinson (a Solemn Scene). a beautiful and appropriate him was sung immediately after lowering the Corpse into her final resting Place. we called at Father Goulbourns and took Diner as we returned. got home about one O'clock PM. Dug clay the Ballance of the Day. Paid Joel Sharp 15 Dollars owe him 17 50/100 Dollars yet. looks like rain at 9 O'clock.

May 17 Cloudy & looks like Rain. Peter & John went out to help John Bennett Plant corn. considerable rain through the afternoon accompanied with heavy wind. blew Down one of my Silver Mapletrees in the Door yard. hauled 3 loads of Sand. commenced moulding Brick for the first this Spring. Bought 7 Doz Eggs. cleared off nice before sundown. hauled a load of forks for Brick shed.

May 18 Cloudy cool & windy. rode over Goshen Township in search of Boards for Brick shed. bought a few of Kidds. Rained some. but little corn Planted in Goshen ground too wet.

May 19 Cloudy & clear at intervals. worked in the Brick yard until noon. Rained & blowed considerable through the Day. E Greiners fram House that stood immediately East of Farquhar House took fire to Day. came very near being a serious fire. But by the timely arrival of the Engine it was soon arrested. the Roof was about Destroyed and the inside very much injured by the water. hauled a load of Boards from Kidds Mill. rained considerable but I took the Buffaloe Robe and Kept Dry got Back in good time. cleared off and is cold for time of year. got a notice on an appointment on an awarding committee at the Next Annual Fair of the Mahoning Co Agricultural Society. received a note from B. S. Jones his Mother is no Better. I must drop him a line.

May 20 Clear & cool. Peter hauled Boards. some Dug clay and some picked out Slabs at Englands Mill. in afternoon I hauled a load of Hay from John Whites 1/2 ton for 2 50/100 Dollars. cool all Day. Bought 5 Bushels Potatoes for 1 75/100 Dolla. sold Joseph Painter 25 lb fine Proof Paint for 1 Dollar. Margaret Bought Sis a New Bonnett

cost but 1/2 Dollar. lets go to Bed.

May 21 Clear & cool but no frost. Harriet Dickinson took "Old Mike" & Carriage went home. took Hannah Strawn out & brot Mary Hafley Back with her. Mary has been absent a week. George Henshilwood & I made a pair of Brick moulds. took Duke Down to Father Goulbourns to pasture. clouded up before noon and wind blowed hard. rained some about Sunsett. is cool & cloudy at Nine O'clock. Harriet Chaney is in from the West on a visit. to Bed I'll go.

May 22 Clear & cool but no frost to hurt. 3 of us went for Sand. Budd Forker commenced Moulding Brick for the first got along well. I took in Brick. spent the evening up town had some Difficulty with Mayor Eldridge. he got very shocked at the maner in which I addressed him. Enos Eldridge would have thought it all right enough But Mayor Eldridge got very huffy fell Back on his Dignity. But Titles shields no man from my Sarcasm if I think he Deserves it he gets it sure. made some Paste for Eli Wolfley to paper his House. Reported to night that Rynear Swem (Rinear Swaim) is Dead but I Do not know whether to credit the Report or not.

May 23 Clear & cool. worked some on the yard and some in shop. Reason Bricker paid me 10 Dollars on his Rent. I paid 5 of it to Jehu Fawcett & 5 to Allen Forker. Paid Wm Miller one Dollar. cool at sundown. got 6400 Brick made to Day.

May 24 Clear & warm. got up early and worked hard at a wheelbarrow. rained hard got some brick spoiled got very wet. Rynear Swem Died last night at 10 O'clock buried to Day at 5 O'clock PM. Paid Jim Post 1 Dollar. Bought a corn Basket cost 87 cts. still cloudy at 9 O'clock.

May 25 Cloudy & wet. finished my wheelbarrow. Peter & I went out to Ed Holloways & brot 7 nice poles for shed got wet to the skin. stoped in at Levi Rennocks Blacksmith shop & Dried some. slacked raining & we put for home got here a little after 12. in afternoon some of us put up shed & Peter brot a load of boards from Kidds Mill. no rain this afternoon clear at sunsett. Harriet Chaney is here visiting this afternoon she lives in Allen County Ohio.

May 26 Clear & warm all Day. worked on the Brick yard making shed & taking in Brick all went right. wrote C P Fletcher a letter Soliciting the payment of thirty Dollars coming to me from S.S. & Co. Eclipse of the sun to Day.

May 27 Clear & warm all Day. made about 5000 Brick. worked on the yard all Day. Dried fast. Paid Jim Post 4 Dollars & Bill Silver 5 Do. James Smith Planted Ben Jones Corn. got a letter from Ben he is yet in Philadelphia. his Mother a very Estimable Lady Died on the 24th inst. she was advanced in years.

May 28 Clear & warm. got up early took a walk out to the farm. engaged John Bennett to plow my lot. worked some on the Brick yard. Mr & Mrs Gordon, Joseph Barker Jr,

his Sister Mary Iona & Rebecca Sharp were all here spending the afternoon with us. had a good time. Lydia Ann Hoops is spending the evening here. looks some like Rain to night. I ommited to say in the Proper Place that Wm & Rachel Hise spent Saturday Evening with us. John Goulbourn was with them and stayed all night. to Day they all went Down to See Father Goulbourn.

May 29 Cloudy & Dull. hauled forks for shed. Moulded Brick in afternoon. got the Poles up for a shed to burn under. gave James Smith 1 Dollar to Buy seed Potatoes for Ben Jones. got John Bennett to Plow & strike out my truck Patch Planted the Corn. a little Rain at Dusk.

May 30 Cloudy & Dull. hauled a load of Slabs before breakfast. Put on some shed Boards. Moulded about 6 Thousand Brick to Day & hauled a load of Sand. cool at Dark but no rain here.

May 31 Cloudy & cool. hauled sand & some Brick to Stanton. sett one Arch in Kiln. cleared off at Sundown quite cool.

Jun 1 Clear & cool some frost in low places. hauled Brick to Doc Stanton with Duke & Kate. the Men got about 8 thousand Brick to Day. George Flick commenced work to Day. Perhaps for one Month. clear & cool at Dark.

Jun 2 Clear & cool. got up early worked on the yards all Day. sett Brick & loaded Stantons team getting along well. wrote a letter to J N Pierce of Alliance.

Jun 3 Clear & very warm. made 8000 Brick fine weather for the Business. made a shovel Plow for Marius Robinson. Collected 9 50/100 of D Woodruff. Paid John Kineman 10 Dollars. Henry Shaffer Paid me 4 75/100. Paid Wm Miller 4 Dollars. Charles Douglass spent the Evening. E Dickinson is here going to stay all night.

Jun 4 Clear & hot all Day. Cris & I Sett Brick until about noon. Painted my shovel Plow. Sis & I took a Ride on Duke & Old Van. she Rode about 6 miles for the first time in her life on Horseback. Douglass & the Dickinson girls have gone out their Father. Harriet expects to come home to night. cool evenings.

Jun 5 Clear with some indications of Rain. all hands took in Brick about 18 thousand first rate and was sheltered to Day. Cyrus Burleigh of Philadelphia called in to see us took Supper. I was Pleased to see him he is on his way west. Margaret has gone out to Father Goulbourns. Mary Gee has a young son. Margaret is not back at 1/2 past 8 PM.

Jun 6 Cloudy & looks like rain. got up early and Put on a gravel Roof for Doc Coffee came to 9 Dollars. got Done at 8 O'clock. sett some Brick. rained about 10 O'clock. got a letter from Newton Pierce ordered 2 hundred lb of Paint from him for Jehu Fawcett. Mrs Vickers called in a few minutes.

Jun 7 Cloudy & looks like raining. Moulded 4587 Brick. Rained at 1 O'clock. we got all Brick up that was Dry enough to hack. I work until noon making 2 large gates for Rey. in afternoon we Dug a Ditch to turn our rain north of Brick yard. cooler this afternoon not enough Rain. Harriet Dickinson went home this afternoon. Done going to School for the Present.

Jun 8 Cloudy & cool. all hands sett Brick all Day except Peter & Cris who hauled Sand this afternoon. very cold for time of year fire was necessary to be at all comfortable. Ben Jones returned to Day. got a letter from Aunt Charity Phillip of Michigan all well. cloudy & cold at 9 O'clock. Margaret went to a Pic Nic on the Mahoning had a pleasant time.

Jun 9 Cloudy & cold. finished setting what Brick we had Dry Moulded none. I helped Robert Hole finish the front of Mothers House. Peter hauled Board. still Dull at 9 O'clock P.M. when I retire.

Jun 10 Cloudy & cool. Cris Moulded Brick to Day. I carpentered got the gable end of Mothers house about finished. Peter hauled wood from Joshua Davis's. Settled with John Gordon he owed & Paid me 5 28/100. Borrowed 25 Dollars of Jehu Fawcett. still cloudy & Dull. Paid Bill Miller 5 Dolls & Jim Post 2.

Jun 11 Partially clear at intervals. Dried some Brick & sand. made a shovel Plow for Henry Schooley. attended the funeral of Timothy Gees child was but one week old. no rain much warmer & cloudy. Cris & I took a walk Down to Sharp & Bonsalls Foundry. they have some good work on hand.

Jun 12 Cloudy. got up early & took Mother Hise & Harriet Chany Down to Depot. they Started at 20 minutes past five AM for Lima Allen Co Ohio. Moulded Brick until about noon when it commenced Raining. Peter hauled wood. George worked on the Road & I finished my Gates for R R Co. still cloudy & wet at Dark.

Jun 13 Cloudy & Dull. Done but little to Day except to haul wood mould a few Brick. Traded for a saddle. Bought Dollars worth of Beef. S Brubaker of Columbiana called to get me to Put on a gravel Roof wrote him instructions to night. wrote Wm Hise a letter on business for John Deming. tired of writing must go to bed.

Jun 14 Clear at Sunrise but clouded up about noon no Rain cleared off at sunsett. made 7140 Brick. Borrowed Thirty Dollars of Phillip Evans. Paid Jehu Fawcett 25 Dollars I Borrowed of him. Bought 2 1/2 Bushels of Dried Peaches cost 4.68 cents. Lewis Blane retuned to Day.

Jun 15 Clear & fine all Day. made 5500 Brick. moved one of our clay mills. Margaret Sis Mary Hafley Lewis Blane went to Canfieldnot back at 8 O'clock. Bought quarter of mutton cost one Dollar for 14 lb.

Jun 16 Clear & warm all Day. made 5358 brick. Borrowed 50 Dollars of L Blane hired

him to work for me. give him 15 Dollars per month. Paid Wm Miller 5 Dollars. some like rain at sundown.

Jun 17 Clear & warm all Day. Louis Blane commenced work to Day. I removed our Spring from the Porch out in to the ground in front thereof. Paid Wm Miller 5 Dollars. Jim Post and George Flick the Same. covered our Brick all up as it looks some like Rain at sundown. ground is very Dry. Put a fastening on our front gate.

Jun 18 Clear and cloudy at intervals. looks some like Rain just about Day breaking. got up at that time and hacked up Brick. got all up and under cover. Margaret & I took a walk Down to the Depot. in the evening we went out to see Ben Jones House. called in to see Ben Hilmans Door yard very beautiful. sun Sett clear and all Prospects of Rain vanished. wrote a letter to Jas Howard & Co & one Jas S Leek & Co both of Pittsburgh ordering Pitch & Paper for gravel Roof. cool & very Pleasant at 9 O'clock.

Jun 19 Foggy early but soon cleared off was very warm all Day. some of us was busy setting Brick others Moulding Hauling wood etc. no Prospect of Rain yet. commenced Painting the front fence. got a letter from Frank Chany saying that Mother Hise got to Lima safe the same Day she left Home.

Jun 20 Clear & very warm. bought 94 cents worth of good Beef. sett Brick & Dug clay. Gaullison Hise got "Old Mike" & waggon to go to Canfield got back before night. with little prospect of Rain. lent Ben Jones 2500 Pine shingles to be returned soon. Paid mary Hafley 5.00 Dollars.

Jun 21 Cloudy & looks like Rain. sett Brick. made a shovel Plow. rained about noon. hauled some wood. brot in 28 1/2 bushels Oats from the farm. Ben Jones took Supper with us. Bought 1/2 Barrel of white fish cost 5 50/100. Paid 2 Dollars on it. Margaret went to Goulbourns to Do her washing we had no soft water. Ben Jones got one thousand more shingles.

Jun 22 Clear & fine all Day. Dug Clay until noon. sett Brick in afternoon. sent a letter to Columbiana but got no answer. Cris moulded. Bill Miller Did not come. cool & Pleasant to night. Paid John Kineman one Dollar.

Jun 23 Partially clear with no Dew. sett a few Brick before Breakfast. got a letter from S Brubaker of Columbiana. gathered up my Gravel Roof tools took Kate and little wagon & Jim Post. went Down to Put on the Roof come to 28 Dollars 80 cents got Done by 5 O'clock. got my Pay and started home arrived at about 9 O'clock. found Charles Griffing & Josephine here. glad of it they are very worthy of our esteem.

Jun 24 Partially clear & cool. Both hands moulded Brick made 6180. Jim & I Dressed our corn and took care of Brick. John W Thomas Paid me 10 Dollars owes me 7 50/100 yet. I Paid George Kidds son 20 Dollars for Boards & Paid Robt Wood 12 Dollars owe him 10 yet. Paid John Callahan 5 Dollars on wood. Painted front fence some but quit

before night. very cool must wear a coat to be warm enough. Bought a Sack of Salt cost 20 cents.

Jun 25 Clear & cool. worked some on the yard after which Margaret Sis & I all took a Horse Back ride. went to Marius Robinsons spent perhaps an hour. from there we called at Ben Bowns & spent some time. from there we went to Joseph Barkers. Mr & Mrs Bown accompanied us spent a Pleasant afternoon got home about Sunsett. found David Woodruff here. glad to have him call his company is congeniel. still cool looks some like Rain at Bedtime.

Jun 26 Clear & very warm all Day got along well. Calvin Moore Paid me 10 80/100 Dollars all he owed me. Bought a cheese of John Hunt cost 1 08/100 cents. Heard to night of the Death of Wm Hawley Son of Benjamin Hawley. he went to California some over one year ago and on his return Died to Day in New York City of Cholera. his friends Telegraphed on to his Father who is going to Philadelphia forthwith.

Jun 27 Clear & very warm. got up early worked hard all Day. got our first Kiln about Ready to fire. ground very Dry. am too tired to write more.

Jun 28 Clear & very warm. finished casing our Kiln & sett on fire about 10 O'clock AM. settled with Isaac Thomas he owed & Paid 85 Dollars. no Rain.

Jun 29 Clear & hot. George & I hauled a load of sand & worked on the yard all Day. some like Rain at Dark. Paid Jim Post 5.00 Dollars.

Jun 30 Cleared off but Rained very hard last night got wet to the skin Burning Brick. Budd Forker Moulded Brick in afternoon. George hauled Slack. lent Budd Forker 50 Dollars.

Jul 1 Clear & Pleasant. Budd Moulded 4032 Brick in 7 hours and 9 minutes by the watch. the time taken up by eating Breakfast which was not less than 3/4 of an hour included which being Deducted leaves but 6 hours and 3 minutes actual Moulding which exceeds anything on Record in our neighborhood. Paid Peter Fisher 5 Dollars the first he has Drawn. Ben Jones took Supper with and Read us a very interesting letter from Lizzie she is yet in Illinois.

Jul 2 Clear & hot. our Kiln is Doing well stood watch all Day. very warm all Day.

Jul 3 Clear & hot. George hauled slack some Dug clay took in Brick etc. paid Cris 5 Dollars & Bill Miller the like sum. Alexander Brandon called to sell me some Bacon but I Did not buy it had a supply. 15 years ago this evening we were moved came in at 11 O'clock PM to go to bed. Kiln is Doing well. Louis Blane stands my watch.

Jul 4 Clear & warm all Day. fired our Kiln Rather hard. slipped some of the Ashes our casing came near filling off. we got it Propped in time by working Briskly. Burned fast to

Day no Brick moulded some of our hands went to Alliance others worked enough to put in their time. Paid Joel Sharp 17 Dollars Ballance on a note he held against me. at 9 O'clock our casing and some of our Kiln fell Down we soon repaired the Break but worked very hard to Do it.

Jul 5 A little cloudy threatened Rain all night but rained none. Bought a 1/2 ton of hay of Tom Wilson. Cris & Peter is finishing the Brick. I commenced a Pump to Pump water out of clay hole. still Dry all Prospects of Rain vanishing. Aaron Hinchman Former Editor (& Proprietor) of Homestead Journal Died at Six O'clock this morning with Consumption.

Jul 6 Clear & warm was up all night firing the Brick Kiln shut it up at at 7 O'clock. Repaired a wheel barrow but was too sleepy to Do much. Aaron Hinchman buried to Day. Benj Bown Paid me 5 Dollars for Ox yoke.

Jul 7 Clear & hot. made pump for Brick yard. Paid John Kineman 2 Dollars Miller 25 cents & George Flick 10.00 in gold. put up some Green Brick by moon light. Ben Jones took supper with us (glad of it). looks some like Rain to night. Lizzie got a letter from Jack F Hise (Brother) of New Albany Ind announcing that Mother Hise had arrived there Safe.

Jul 8 Clear & excessively hot. Dug clay in forenoon. in afternoon completed the Pump & spouts. took some of all our Brick got the last one in the Dry as the Rain commenced which was about 6 O'clock PM. (George Flick is at home plowing his corn).

Jul 9 Cloudy & warm looks like for more Rain. went out to farm & Dug out a place to water Cattle. heard this morning that George Frick (a German Boy that learned his trade with Brother Jesse and has been out of his Apprenticeship but a few weeks) got Drowned on last evening about 8 O'clock PM. he was buried to Day in the Methodist Burying Ground. quite cool so much so as require fire to be comfortable before Dark.

Jul 10 Clear & Pleasant all Day. Bill Miller quit moulding Cris took his place. I offbase 2700. hired Harry Erwin to offbase but he cannot come before next Monday. Bought 4 ton of hay of John Hilliard. he charges 2 Dollars per ton & I haul it. John Bennett finished getting in his hay.

Jul 11 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. offbase 4280 Brick. nothing special to say except that I am quite tired. Lifted Caroline Pinkham out of Bed she is very Bad with inflamatory Rheumatism.

Jul 12 Clear & cool all Day. All hands Dug clay. lifted my Patient in and out of Bed several times through the Day she is no better. spent some time up town hunting a hand to work but found none. quite cool at sundown.

Jul 13 Clear & quite cool Disagreeably so unless you exercised. John Kineman

commenced again to Day at Noon. opened our Kiln not burned enough. Uriah Wilson commenced hauling his out. lifted Caroline in and out of Bed several times during the Day. some like Rain but none fell. got in our Dry Brick. Margaret is rather Poorly.

Jul 14 Clear & warm all Day. Bought somegood beef. wrote a letter to Jos Howard of Pitt inquiring for Pitch. sold a good number of Brick & made quite a number. lifted Caroline several times to Day. looks some like rain at sundown.

Jul 15 Clear & warm all Day. loaded Brick. Drawed 50 Dollars of Doc Stanton. Paid Louis Blane 5 Doll James Post 2 & Wm Miller 3. I believe I honestly owed him nothing but lest I might take a shilling off of him I gave him 3 Dollars & feel much the better for having Done so. he Did know that I owed him but was under the impression that I Did. lifted Caroline several times through the Day and expect to stay up there all night. shall repair thither at 9 O'clock.

Jul 16 Clear & most excessively hot all Day. clouded up a little at intervals but no Rain. went out to the farm & cut forks for Brick shed. Mary Beaumont took Supper with after which Margaret & I took a walk out to see Lizzies new House. Benjamin Returned with us & got 3 of his young chickens. some cooler since sundown.

Jul 17 Clear & warm with good breese all Day. lifted Caroline several times to Day. loaded Brick. Bought 20 lb Homany & 45 of Hard Soap. no sign of Rain yet. George Flick not here to Day cause unwell.

Jul 18 Clear & uncommon hot thermometer stood 123 in the Sun. a good breese occasionally was all that made endurable. hired a new hand in Place of Jim Post he is from England and appears to be a willing hand. I sett forks for new shed. no sign of Rain at 8 O'clock.

Jul 19 Clear & very hot. ground is so Dry vegetation is completely Dried up no green spot in the meadow. made a wheelbarrow wheel in the forenoon. in the afternoon Louis Blane & I got a load of shed Poles from Edwin Holloways. Rolled my wagon wheels into the Pond to swell them. looked some like Rain we all took in Brick. Rain vanished & we quit.

Jul 20 Clear & Dry and as warm as ever. Jim Post & I Put on a Gravel Roof for Wm Daniels came to 19.20 cents. Margaret was poorly this morning but is better this evening. no sign of rain yet. our trees are all Dying for the want of rain. a number of wells have Dried up that never failed before.

July 21 Clear & warm as ever. put up our 2nd Brick shed & commenced our 2nd Kiln. some Dug clay. Paid 27 55/100 Dollars to Theodore Thomas for I T & I G Boone of Philadelphia for Pitch bought of them about one year ago. they never presented their bill until now. looks some like Rain but I am afraid the signs will fail. Mother Hise is Poorly since her Return.

Jul 22 Some cloudy but no Rain last night. all hands Dug clay got out a good lot of it. Rained some about 4 O'clock PM. Paid Charles our hired Man one Dollar & Jim Post 5. Wm Daniels Paid me for his Roof 19 20/100 Dolls.

Jul 23 Clear & cloudy at intervals foggy this morning but it came Down & brot us no Rain. Mary Hafley took "Old Mike" & carriage & went home she returned at sundown. Louis Blane Cradled our oats & I made me an excellent hopper wheelbarrow. Ben Jones & I looked over accounts he owes me some is going to Pay some of it tomorrow. Isaac Mendenhall paid me 9 Dollars the first quarters Rent on house No 1 on Lisbon Street. was quite warm in the middle of the Day but comparitively Pleasant this evening. a good cool breese stirring.

Jul 24 Clear & cloudy at intervals. Dug clay 3 of us the Ballance made Brick. Mr Sackett & 2 of his Daughters with Rachel Hise Elizabeth Sheets & Livvie Gant took Supper with. the former went up to Pitts on the 9 O'clock train. fine Shower of Rain between 5 & 6 PM. Ben Jones Paid me 60 Dollars & gave me his Due Bill for 24 37/100 Dollars which settles all accts between us at Present.

Jul 25 Cloudy & rather Dull. made some shed before breakfast. at 8 O'clock started for Pittsburgh arrived at 1/2 past 11. after taking Diner at the Red Lion I Bought 9 Barrels of Pitch & 2 of Tar. the former cost 4 25/100 & the Latter 5 50/100 per barrel. Bought it of John Irvin & Son opposite the Depot on Monongahelia River. Bought 1000 lb Tarred Paper of James Howard & Co also some wall Paper for Mother Hises House the Retail Price of which was one Dollar per peice. left for home at 3 PM in Company with Mr Sackett of Canfield arrived safe at 6 O'clock. had a fine Rain at 4 O'clock.

Jul 26 Cleared off and is cool & Pleasant. sett up one arch on my Kiln. went to john Gordons and Bought a Ton of Hay. the Boys bound up and hauled in our Oats from Ben Jones lot took them until 9 O'clock there was 48 ____ gave Ben Half some more than he was entitled to. Margaret is Poorly having had an attack of Cholera Morbus. I think she is now getting considerable better.

Jul 27 Clear & cool. sett Brick all Day. Moulded 7500 Brick. Paid John Kineman one Dollar. Bought 71 lb Dried Peaches which makes about 8 Bushels for us this Sumer. John Gordon brot me one Ton of good Hay. Margaret is well again. cool and clear at Sundown.

Jul 28 Clear & warm. made & sett Brick. got my Pitch & Paper from Depot freight 4.82. hacked up about all our Brick. looks like Rain at Dark. Margaret & Sis has gone up to Canfield with Wm Hise. David Ball is very Bad. called to Day to see Caroline Pinkham she is much better.

Jul 29 Cloudy most of the Day with no rain. sett Brick all Day. Peter Hauled boards from Williamson & Kidds Mill. Lonesome in consequence of Margarets absence. she will

return tomorrow.

Jul 30 Partially clear & warm with no Prospects of Rain. took the mare out to farm to Pasture. made a short ladder to get into the Brick Kiln. spent all the Ballance of the Day in the shed of our Brick yard. Ben Jones took took Supper with us. Margaret & Sis returned about Six O'clock P.M. after sunsett she & I took a Pleasant walk. after our return I am jotting Down the Particulars that I may know at some future time what we were Doing to Day. I will now go to Bed.

Jul 31 Clear & warm. put on gravel Roof for Jehu Fawcett (on his Barn) contained 9 square. took in Brick in afternoon. Pidgeon finished burning his his Kilnto Day. no prospects for Rain yet. James Eggmon Paid me 1 87/100 Doll he owed me for Brick. wrote a letter to James Howard & Co ordering one thousand lb Paper for Roof.

Aug 1 Clear & excessively warm so warm all night that I could not sleep. got up early bought a Dollars worth of beef and cut the tire on my wagon. sett brick a good part of the Day. clouded up in the afternoon & looked some like Rain but no Rain yet. Pidgeon commenced moulding.

Aug 2 Cloudy & looks much like Rain at Day light remained cloudy good part of the Day but eventually cleared off with no Rain. sett Brick most of the Day. hooped my wagon it needed it much. Paid George Smiley 7 50/100 Dollars all I owed him. gave him an order to Jehu Fawcett for it. Paid Budd Forker 46 83/100 same way. but little prospect of Rain at bedtime.

Aug 3 Clear as a Bell. sett brick most of the Day. David Ball Died this morning at 4 O'clock he suffered a long time with a cut knee. Rained some about 2 O'clock. cleared off a short time but about sunsett commenced again and is raining as I write at 9 O'clock PM. ground never was Drier than at present.

Aug 4 Cloudy & cool. Rain all over for Present. Drew 10 Dollars of Jehu Fawcett on acct. Bought 132 lb flour cost 6 Dollars. David ball was buried to Day at 12 M. sett Brick all Day. cleared off since noon. Bought 2 good Steel shovels at Chessman & Wrights cost 1 Dollar each. Paid George Flick 5 Dollars. quite cool at 9 O'clock. gave Holen Piles (note; Harlan Pyle) an order to Z Street for 4 Dollars he hauled Brick for me to that amount.

Aug 5 Clear & cool. sett Brick. bought a barrel of Salt of Jehu Fawcett cost $2.62 cents. Paid Jim Post 3 Dols John Kineman 2 & Louis Blane 4 Do. George Flick was not here to Day. got a letter from Joseph Lukens of Montgomery Co Pa. announcing the Death of our Unkle Wm Lukens he was 86 years old. Settled with Bob Carr owed & gave him my Due Bill for $16 75/00 cents. Borrowed 5 Dollars of D Woodruff. wrote a long letter to Joseph Lukens since Dark. will now retire.

Aug 6 Cloudy. got up before 3 O'clock went out & hacked up brick lest they might get

wet but no Rain yet. made a pair of excellent wood ladders. David Woodruff Read the Illiad all Day it is intenselyinteresting. got up all our Brick but about 3 hundred when we had a fine shower about 6 O'clock wet the ground considerable. am too Sleepy to write more & will go to Bed.

Aug 7 Partially clear rained a very little but soon cleared of and was very cool all Day. sett Brick all Day no moulding to Day. brot in 43 bushels of corn in the Ear and 25 bushels of oats from the farm.

Aug 8 Clear & cold for August. sett Brick until Breakfast then Put on a small gravel Roof for Joseph Castleberry got Done by noon. sett Brick the Ballance of the Day. sold Joseph Ball a new Wagon for 70 Dollars one I made last winter on purpose for him but he would never agree to Buy it until now. came within one hour of loosing it. Edward Phillips offered me my price for onlyabout that time after Ball had Bought it. wrote a sharp letter to James Howard & Co Pittsburgh. Old Jane Dixon Died yesterday. lent Phillip Evans my 2 horse wagon. cool at Bedtime fine time to sleep lets try it.

Aug 9 Clear & cool. went up town early for Honey ____ got 3 gallons. found a Dollar on the Bank of Massilon. sett Brick all Day. got pretty near Done. looks some like Rain at Dark. Read some in the Liberator but am to Drowsey to Read much & will therefor go to Bed.

Aug 10 Cloudy but no Rain of any amount. Bought 1 Dollar worth of beef. sett Brick finished & got it Partly cased. Rained some little about 6 O'clock PM & is raining moderately as I write at 8 O'clock. got a letter from Howard saying my Paper would be here on tomorrow hope it will.

Aug 11 Cloudy but no rain. cased up our Kiln got it nearly ready to fire. everything went about right to Day. got a letter from Howard & Co with my Bill 102.40 notifyingme that they had sent a Draft on me for 100.00 Dolls payable in Sixty Days. I can pay it easy if I have luck to collect my money. Isaac Webb offered me 75 cents a bushel for my corn but I have none to sell. cleared off and is very pleasant to night.

Aug 12 Cloudy with some Prospects of Rain. worked hard all Day getting our Kiln Ready. fired it about 5 O'clock this afternoon. no Rain at Dark. Bought a Cincinnati Ham at 12 1/2 per lb. got a letter from Leonard Whetsel.

Aug 13 Clear as a bell at Day break but clouded up and remained Dull until about noon then cleared off and is clear when I write at 7 O'clock PM. Margaret was out to see Dickinsons to Day. Mrs D is very bad. Margaret Beaumont went with her. I attended at the Kiln all Day played a few games of checkers etc etc.

Aug 14 Clear & warm all Day. Put on gravel Roof for Jesse Parker. bought 24 3/4 lb of veal of Eli Davidson cost 1.25. Commenced Settling with Doc Stanton but he was interrupted & we Postponed it for another Day. the Water Smoke is off our Kiln in only 2

Days at least a Day sooner than usual. Our favorite Dog Fido is missing since Saturday. I fear he is Dead as he never leaves home except with some one of the Family. he was as faithful a Servant as ever Man had Poor Fellow. could I but find him he should at least have a Decent Burial & appropriate Tomb & Epitaph.

Aug 15 Clear & cloudy at intervals. wind blowed considerable which operated against our Kiln it however is Doing well. George Flick hauled wood. Jim Post finished gravelling Packers Roof. Father Goulbourn & Mary Gee visited us this afternoon. Borrowed 15 Dolls of Jehu Fawcett. fine up through our Kiln in 3 Days quickest ever I knew. got a letter from George Hise of California he is miningat Kentucky flats.

Aug 16 Clear & Pleasant. Put on Uriah Wilsons Roof. bought one Hundred lb of flour cost 4 75/100. Paid George Flick 5.00. Bought 10 lb beef. no Rain and little signs of any.

Aug 17 Clear & warm all Day. Kiln is Doing firstrate. Circus here to Day poor ____. Farquhar House came near Burning some careless_____ sett a bed on fire with a pipe or cigar. Paid Louis Blane 12 Dollars. George & Henry Both went to see the Show. Jim Post hauled wood all Day. Deborah Fawcett was Down since Dark to see the Kiln. Read some in the Bugle before Retiring.

Aug 18 Clear & Pleasant all Day. finished Burning our Brick was 6 & 6 nights got a good burn I think. Bought 1 Dollars worth of Beef. George Flick & I hauled 2 loads of Sand. I Bought 4 tons of Hay of John Gordon no Price sett. Drew 50 Dollars of Doc Stanton. Paid 30 Dollars of Borrowed Money. Paid Reuben Fisher 5 Dollars. am too sleepy to write more.

Aug 19 Clear & very warm no signs of Rain yet. all hands on the yard but myself. I Put on a gravel Roof for Wm Daniels come to 20 Dollars he Paid me the cash. I gave David Kirkbride 25 cents to assist me. spent the evening up town.

Aug 20 Clear & very warm all Day. Louis Blane Dug a well for Mother Hise got plenty of water in 6 feet. I Done but little to Day. walked out to the farm brought home a good cheese & some butter. wrote a letter to R A Graham of New Paris Preble Co Ohio. am too tired to write any more.

Aug 21 Clear & warm all Day. worked at a pair of Brick moulds. Paid Kidd 10 Dollars. Paid Marius Robinson 6 Dollars he owed me 4 which 10 he is to Pay to the Western A S Society my pledge for 1854. made 7250 Brick. cant write more am too sleepy.

Aug 22 Clear & hot all Day. finished my moulds Done but little else. sold Edmond Phillips 40000 Brick. no sign of Rain. Wm Hollingshead came to temper in Louis Blanes place. Harriet Dickinson Died.

Aug 23 Clear & warm as ever. worked some on the Brick yard. took Margaret Down to

Father Goulbourns to Do her washing. James Doud took Diner & spent a little time with us. Ben Young Died with Cholera the first case in Salem was sick 12 hours. Buried in 4 hours after Death. looks some like rain is so warm one can scarcely Breathe. took Duke and Brot Margaret Back. he works well.

Aug 24 Clear & warm. got Jo Fawcetts Buggy took Duke. Margaret & I went to Harriet Dickinsons Funeral came near being too late. got back about noon. Done but little this afternoon. George took Van & carriage & went Down & up Sarah his Daughter to help Margaret During Anniversary. Sis & Mary Hafley went with him. got a letter from Canfield saying that I am on a committee at the approaching Fair but press of other business will prevent me going. Bought a Barrel of Flour cost 9 50/100 Dollars. cool with no Prospect of Rain at 9 O'clock.

Aug 25 Clear & hot. Dug clay Part of the Day rested some. Uriah Wilson paid me 40 Dollars on account. Paid John Kineman 20 Dollars. went Down to Wm Fawcetts to look at Brick wood good lot. put up our Brick ready for Rain but I am afraid we shallget none. wrote a note to Canfield Declining serving on a committee at the approaching Fair. some Anti S S is here to attend our Anniversary (Western Society).

Aug 26 Clear & warm. Anniversary commenced to Day. Rained a little about 3 O'clock P.M. considerable wind. had good Meetings.

Aug 27 Cloudy but no rain. got up early and helped Put up the Tent which was well filled through the Day. I was very unwell in forenoon but some better in afternoon. took Diner with Hannah Strawn. all went off Harmoniously.

Aug 28 Clear & warm. nothing Doing on the Brick yard. Don Rice is here with his Circus. attended the Sessions which was very interesting. at 4 O'clock it was announced that Cars Due from the East at 6 O'clock contained a Slave. when our meeting adjourned it adjourned to meet at the Depot. as soon as the Cars arrived a few friends (viz) Benj Bown Abram Brooke, Doc Thomas and Mr Blackwell of Cincinnatti walked Deliberately into them asked a certain Man in the vicinity of the Supposed Slave if she was Really a Slave. he answered that she belonged to him no sooner than which they just Picked the girl up and hurried her out of the Car. his wife Shrieked & he hollowed Murder as lustily as he knew how but all to no Purpose. he went on without her but cursed & swore at a Round rate about it. he gave us her clothes before leaving. in the evening a meeting was held to talk about the Rescue at which about 50 Dollars was took up to Defray the expense that might be incured in clothing and educating her. she was also provided with a name Abby Kelly Salem. Mr Clements of Iowa abode with us all night.

Aug 29 Clear & very warm. made a wheelbarrow for myself. Mr Clements left this morning. got 2 letters from George Hise of California he is Mining and Doing well. too warm & tired to write more.

Aug 30 Clear & cloudy at intervals. Put on gravel Roof for Uriah Wilson & one for

Henry Ambler. am very tired and some unwell. looks a little like Rain at Dark. all our Brick is hacked up & covered. Jim Post commenced again to Day. very warm.

Aug 31 Cloudy but no Rain. made a new nob for Cris Clay Mill about all the work I Done to Day. am not well enough to Do much good. Rain out north but none here. Bought cheese & Apples. settled with Louis Blane owed him 16.57 gave him my Due Bill for 10 Dollars. very warm.

Sep 1 Clear & warm. commenced another the 3rd brick Kiln. Jim & Henry finished gravelling Amblers Roof. No Rain nor Prospect of it at Dark.

Sep 2 Clear & warm. worked hard on the yard all Day. rained a little about 6 O'clock PM. Uriah Wilson Paid me 30 Dollars. Paid Budd Forker 10 Dollars. sold George Flick 2 tine weight 49 lb.

Sep 3 Clear & hot. was out to Sharps Foundry some of his hands were at work. too warm for comfort.

Sep 4 Clear & hot as ever. George & Henry is hauling Brick to A Holloways. I sett Brick. hired a Man in Bill Hollingsheads Place. Paid him off he is a Poor tool. nothing special to say & will close.

Sep 5 Clear & warm. sett Brick all Day. James Gee commenced tempering to Day. had a little rain this afternoon but little. is very close & warm at 9 PM. wrote to Hanna & Govetson of Cleveland to ascertain if they have Pitch.

Sep 6 Clear & warm. sett Brick all Day. bought 93 cents worth of good beef. Paid Ely Davidson 390 cents Beef bill. very warm & some like Rain at 8 O'clock PM. got a letter from Alliance roof ready for me on Monday next. Margaret was out to Marius Robinsons to sewing circle.

Sep 7 Clear & cool. all signs of Rain vanished. sett Brick all Day. Drew 50 Dollars of Doc Stanton. Bought 1 Hundred lb flour cost 475.

Sep 8 Clear & warm all Day. sett Brick until noon. Put on gravel Roof for Doc Harris. sent 25 Dollars with Mr W____ to Pitt to buy me some Pitch & Tar.

Sep 9 Partially clear with good breese all Day. sett Brick. Jim Post finished gravelling Harris Roof. wrote a line to G W Woodworth of Alliance. Marius Robinson called a few minutes. Cris & I went out to see A Holloways House. it looks right. cloudy & looks like Rain. Flour 9 50/100 Dollars Per Barrel.

Sep 10 Cloudy & Damp all Day. sett a few Brick. had a Pleasant visit from Joel and Sarah McMillan. Joels Mother also accompanied the. she is a very agreeable old Lady glad to have her call on us. Old John Saxton was buried to Day at 3 O'clock. heard to

Day for the first that Old John Shreve an Old Soldier of the Revolution Died last week. he was over 96 years of age.

Sep 11 Cloudy & Dull but at noon cleared off fine. sett Brick until 4 O'clock. got ready & went up to Alliance To Put on gravel Roof.

Sep 12 Cloudy & wet Rained hard in the night. got up early & got my Roof on by 1/2 past 10. Settled got my Pay 53 67/. went to Canton to see a Brick Machine like it well. got home at 6 PM found all well.

Sep 13 Clear & cool all Day. sett Brick. Paid Harry 5 Dollars & Cris 5 Do. George Flick got 5 Dollars in gold. sold Phillip Evans 20 thousand brick not to used until next spring.

Sep 14 Clear & cool. sett Brick got nearly Done. clouded up & rained hard at 6 O'clock. windy. Livvie (Sister) Hise was Married at 9 O'clock AM By Mr Inmon a Baptist Clergyman. her Husbands name is Ezra Gilbert Wayt. the Boys Belled them considerable But a shower came up and they soon Dispersed. finished and sealed up my letter to George Hise in California. must now go to Bed.

Sep 15 Cloudy & cool. finished setting & casing our Kiln. sold Robert Patterson all my fire Proof Paint at 4 cents per lb he Paid me for it. quite cool at Dark. took Supper with Mr & Mrs Wayt. Mailed a letter to George Hise.

Sep 16 Clear & cool. finished & fired our Kiln at noon. nothing more to say.

Sep 17 Clear & cool. Put on a gravel Roof for Sharp Bonsall & Co the largest ever put on in one Day. got Done about Sunsett. Wm & Rachel Hise was Down to Mother Hises started home just as I returned. our Kiln is Doing well.

Sep 18 Clear as a Bell at Daylight. Drew 25 Dollars of W Wilson paid James Smith 2 Dollars that Ben Jones should have paid him. Settled with Ben Holloway he owed & Paid me $3.50 cents. Rained good part of the afternoon. cloudy & wet as I write at 7 O'clock PM. to Bed I must go as I get up at midnight.

Sep 19 Cloudy & wet. Rained several Showers through the Day and hard at 6 O'clock PM. our Kiln is Doing well. some of the hands Dug clay some graveled Sharps Roof. I am not well but feel Better at 7 PM than I Did at 7 AM. must go early to bed as I get up at 1 O'clock. Paid John Lee 4 50/100 Dollars for Painting my front fence. Paid Ealy Davidson 1.60 cents for Mutton the Best I ever saw.

Sep 20 Cloudy & cool but rained none to Day wind blew hard. had Evans Team hauling brick he charges one Dollar per Day cheap enough. lent Dave Woodruff 5 Doll. Bought 68 cents worth of beef. Kiln is Doing well. still cloudy at 7 PM. Bought me a pair of Mittens. Cholera very bad in Pittsburgh.

Sep 21 Clear & cool. Moulded some Brick to Day. our Kiln is Doing well. Borrowed 20 Dollars of Emon Webb. Paid 16.73/ cents to Robt Carr Jr & 3 Dollars to Peter Fisk. Bought a Tape line 50 feet long cost 75 cents. Amos Levon Paid me 28 cents he had owed me 2 years he & I had both forgotten it but by accident I remembered it & informed him of it & he of course Paid it.

Sep 22 Clear & warm all Day. Kiln Doing fine. traded my House & lot on Lisbon St No 2 (Kidds Edition) to Thomas Bentley for 245 Acres of land in Cedar Co Iowa. gave him 15 Hundred Brick to Boot.

Sep 23 Clear & warm. our Kiln is Doing fine will be Done soon. Henry Ambler Paid me for Gravel Roof 23.35. Paid Emon Webb the 20 Dollars Borrowed. Paid John Kineman 2 Dollars. Slipped up on my land trade in Iowa. Bently misunderstood me or at least says so. Cholera very fatal in Pittsburgh for the last week as high as 78 Died in one Day.

Sep 24 Clear & warm. finished our Kiln at Day break was up all night. slept considerable through the Day. put new Bottoms on a pair of Brick Moulds. took a walk up to fair ground with margaret. Sis & Mary Beaumont returned at Dark.

Sep 25 Clear & Delightful for time of year. Both Moulders are at work to Day. I took in Brick & Dug some clay. clouded up but too cold to rain. read the Liberator until bed time.

Sep 26 Clear & warm. worked on the yard all Day everything went right. I have nothing more to say. spent the evening with Thomas Sharp exchanging ideas on the construction of a Brick Machine.

Sep 27 Clear & warm. all hands made Brick. towards evening looks some like Rain. haked up all the Brick that was fit. Margaret & Sis walked out to Father Goulbourns got Back at Dark. tired enough. Whitneys Indian Exhibition is here to Day they made quite a Display on the street. Six Cases of Typhoid Fever in this end of Town.

Sep 28 Clear & beautiful. made 6700 Brick all went right to Day. Bought stuff for 2 Pair of Pantaloons. Pidgeon finished Moulding to Day.

Sep 29 Clear & cool. some of our hands gone to Lisbon to the Fair. the Ballance are Digging clay except George he is hauling wood. got a letter from J F Hise and Elizabeth got one from George Hise of California. want to answer Jacobs to night.

Sep 30 Partially clear & cold. only one Moulding to Day. I finished my pavement on Lisbon St. Drew 10 Dollars of Thomas & Greiner have one Hundred & fifty there yet. Paid John Kineman 5 Doll & George Flick 5. Put on my Brick shed. cloudy & Dull must soon wind up Brick making.

Oct 1 Cloudy & cool. spent the Day in idleness. toward evening I went to Sam Sharpnacks Met Margaret there. she & Mr & Mrs Wayt went out at noon came home at Dusk. Rained a little at 3 O'clock PM. cloudy & Dull at Bed time. Settled with James Post owed him 6 41/100 Dollars. gave him an order on Isaac Packer for 30 Dollars he is to give me the Ballance. Jo Zimmer & Mary Davis Died.

Oct 2 Cloudy & Dull but cleared off at 8 or 9 O'clock AM. hauled a load of Sand in forenoon. Moulded Brick in afternoon. commenced a new Last Kiln sett 1/2 the Stoving arch. at 6 O'clock was cloudy & Dull and rained some. Paid Cris 5 Dollars.

Oct 3 Cloudy & wet. sett Brick all Day. some Hauled Brick to Street. Drew 50 Dollars of Thomas & Greiner. Bought a Barrel of Flour cost 9 50/100. Paid Harry 10 Dolls. Kracked Harry & Jim Gee. the weather is too Dull to make Brick.

Oct 4 Clear & cool. Margaret & I went up to Canfield Mr Wayt & Lady went also. took Diner with Wm Hise. went onto the Fair ground saw some good Stock. got home before sundown. had Joseph Fawcetts Buggy gave him 50 cents for it. spent the evening up town.

Oct 5 Clear & cold. sett Brick until 10 O'clock. Moulded the Ballance of the Day. Drew 100 Dolls of Thomas & Greiner. Paid my tax 22.52. Paid Aaron Hawley 336 for hay. Paid Charles Collins 1 Dollar. Drew 75 Dollars of Uriah Wilson.

Oct 6 Clear & warm. Moulded Brick all Day got along well. Sold Budd Forker Old Mike & Van & one of my waggons for one Hundred Dollars too cheap but keeping is scarce & high. Bought a cheese of John Hunt cost 11 cents per lb weighed 34 1/4 lb come to 3 77/100. Drew some Pencil sketches for Sis.

Oct 7 Clear & warm all Day. moulded 6 thousand Brick. got 28 1/2 bushels of Oats from farm. R R Ronst_ Paid me 13 50/100 for brick. Paid Jim Post 5 Dollars & Henry Flick 4 37/100 for a coat. bought one peck of Potatoes for 31 cent of Castleberry rather high. Wm Chaney is in from Allen Co Ohio.

Oct 8 Perfectly clear & warm all Day not a cloud has appeared on the horizon for the last 3 Days. to Day I hung the Bell on the fair ground & spent the Ballance of the Day in idleness with the exception of edging up a few Brick. Northern lights show plain to night.

Oct 9 Clear as a bell all Day. fine weather for Brickmaking. Paid of 2 Drafts from Jos Howard & Co amounting to 150 Dollars. Wm Hise started East at 6 P.M.

Oct 10 Clear & warm. worked on the yard until noon. in afternoon got ready to Raise the Flag Pole for Horse Fair Did not get it up. Ben Jones Paid me 39 37/ all he owed me. spent the evening up town awaiting the Results of the Election. the Peoples Ticket is far ahead 388 to 67. Democracy is on the Decline in Salem.

Oct 11 Clear & Pleasant. heard with Delight that the Untenefied Democracy is Badly Beaten in Old Columbiana the first time perhaps for 20 years if ever before. raised our Pole against noon had good luck. a Robbery committed at the Farquhar House. created considerable excitement. the Property (a watch & 117 Dolls in Money) was all recovered the thief had thrown it out of the 3rd story window but could get no chance to get it before it was Discovered by some one else. First rate Horses Flocking into town All Day. An accident occured at the Station By which several Persons were Badly hurt. the Conductor (Mr Knight) is Dead some others are in a critical Situation. Town is full of thieves & Pickpockets. Paid John Kineman 1 Dollar. got a Dispatch from Pitt saying lookout for friends (meaning Slaves).

Oct 12 Cloudy & Dull. attended the Fair all Day. Rained considerable through the Day. had some splendid Pacing horses Exhibited quickest time 2 minutes & 54 seconds By Frank Pierce of Cleveland. J F Dickinson stays all night. Salem never was fuller of People. got a Dispatch from Pittsburg Saying look out for friends in the morning (meaning Slaves). repaired early to the Depot. Soon Plenty of Anti Slavery People there by Daylight. 5 slaves were on the Cars. they all got off no one was with them to molest them or make them affraid.

Oct 13 Cloudy with Dense fogg But at 8 O'clock is Delightful and Remained so all Day. stuck close to the Fair was interesting all Day. United States Marshall in Town to Day his movements are closely watched. he came to shut up Trescotts Store But Jacob Ambler got the Start of him and Done it first. a Mr Fuller of Cleveland is lodging with us no accomodations for him up Town.

Oct 14 Cloudy & wet. hard Rain about Day break and looks like being more through the Day. attended the Fair. all went well Dismissed at 3 O'clock. (Pidgeon fired his Kiln).

Oct 15 Clear & Cloudy at intervals. Picked 2 Barrels of Romanite Apples in Ben Hawleys Orchard. spent some time Down at Sharps Foundry.

Oct 16 Cloudy & cool. got up early and engaged Phillip Evans Team to haul Brick. shod Duke & Kate to Day. Budd Forker took "Old Mike" & Van I hated to see them go. they are faithful Horses as ever lived. worked on the Brick yard. Ed Phillips Paid me 196 Dollars for Brick. I Paid Budd Forker 1 Hundred of it. sent 10 Dollars to J S Leech McAlpin & Co of Pitt. want to write a letter to Ellwood Vickers of Philadelphia. I want him to get me a Gold ____ chain.

Oct 17 Cloudy & cold. sett Brick most of the Day. Paid John Kineman 21 Dollars & 56 cents all I owed him. Paid jim Post 3 14/100 what I owed him also. Salem is infested with thieves at Present. clear & cold at 9 PM.

Oct 18 Clear & cold. sett Brick all Day. George Hauled wood & Henry hauled Brick. wind blowed hard and cold at times reminding one of the approach of winter. had Oyster Supper to night most of my Brick hands were here.

Oct 19 Partially clear & cold ground frose some. got up before Daylight & went up to David Fawcetts. fed his team & hitched it up by Sunrise. hauled Brick with it. sett Brick all Day. got along slow the Days is short. Allen Forker returned from Iowa Brot his wife with him (he is a fool) & she is a Knave (in my opinion).

Oct 20 Partially clear. Sett Brick all Day. nothing special to say further and will go to Bed.

Oct 21 Clear & Pleasant. sett Brick. Pidgeon finished Burning to Day. 2 teams hauling Brick to Z Street. spent evening up town.

Oct 22 Cloudy & Dull. got up early & took Kate & Duke out to the farm to eat hay. Brot back 5 chickens. piled up boards after breakfast. about 1 O'clock commenced Raining and at 8 PM is still at it. spent a part of the afternoon at Sharps Foundry. Both in operation.

Oct 23 Cloudy & Dull all Day. Rained some in fore part of the Day. all hands sett Brick. Paid John Bennett 5 Dollars on acct. spent a part of the evening up town. Read the Liberator.

Oct 24 Clear & Delightful all Day. finished Setting our Kiln of 10 Arches and got it part Cased up. Paid Mary Hafley 10 Dollars on acct. Aunt Mary Howel is here to Supper going to stay all night. sent a letter to John Gordon sent it by Sis. she is staying all night at her Aunt Uras. too tired to come home.

Oct 25 Clear & warm all Day. cased our Kiln.

Oct 26 Clear & Pleasant. got our Kiln in ample order & fired it at 3 PM. I feel quite relieved.

Oct 27 Clear & Delightful weather. I repaired Uriah Wilsons Roof. Done some other shores about Town. all goes right up to this Date.

Oct 28 A little Hazy but still Pleasant. Peter & I commenced the foundation of Mother Hises Kitchen. Dug the well Deeper & walled it up Part way. Margaret visited Sarah McMillan this afternoon. George Flick finished working for me to Day. I am sorry to Part with him he is a faithful hand as I want.

Oct 29 Partially clear & very Pleasant all Day. Done but little. Our Kiln is Doing well. nothing special to Record.

Oct 30 Cloudy but no Rain. finished hauling our 3rd Kiln of Brick away. completed Mother Hises well. Bought Margaret one Peck of Cranberries cost one Dollar. some Rain at Dusk but not wet to Hurt.

Oct 31 Clear & Dull. John Marshall & George Noosebaum commenced the foundation for Mothers Kitchen but at 3 O'clock PM it rained and they was forced to quit. Castleberrys Broke up to Day. Paid Isaac Trescott 4 66/100 all I owed him. Robt French paid me 6 Dollars all he owed me for Paving brick.

Nov 1 Cloudy & Dull a part of the Day. spent most of the forenoon up Town Doing but little this afternoon. attended Mason. Paid James Gee 12 50/100 Dollars all I owed him. got a letter from John Hise of Jennings County Ind saying among other things that he (or they) had an increase in family in the Shape of Twins Male & Female. they were Born Oct 13 at 5 PM. Clear & moonlight at 7 O'clock but at 9 is some cloudy.

Nov 2 Cloudy but pleasant. Brick shed burned off at Day break (not much loss) aroused the whole Town on the appearance of fire. finished Burning at 4 O'clock got a good burn. Settled with George Flick owed & gave him my Due Bill for 25 Dollars. Settled with Peter Fisher owed him $88.42 gave him my Obligation for it. Settled with Cris Kineman owed him 116 Dollars he Did not want the Money & took my Due Bill for it. want to Pay it all soon.

Nov 3 Cloudy & cool. commenced Patching Boiler for George Allison. sent to Howard of Pittsburgh for 2 Hundred of Roofing Paper. nothing special going on for me to record all is quiet. our hands have all left except for Cris.

Nov 4 Day Fair. Cris & Ben Tatum assisted me & we got the Boiler Done it was a hard task. Drawed 20 Dollars of Chessman. Paid 3 50/100 for a hind quarter of Beef. lent Jesse Hise 5 Dollars & Paid High Allen 1 00/100 cents for veal got some time ago.

Nov 5 Clear & cool some ice this morning. made a Part of Patent lock for wagon. Margaret & I walked out to see Aaron Holloways new House good enough. wrote a Part of a letter to John Hise before going to Bed.

Nov 6 Cloudy & hazy some appearance of Indian Summer. Cris is fencing the Brick yard. John McCartney and his hands is Building Mother Hises Kitchen. Rumors of the failure of the Bank of Circleville but I suppose it is yet good. Paid Don Smith 3 Dollars on work Done by his Son Andrew.

Nov 7 Cloudy & Dull. carpenters at work. I went to Williamsons Millfor Sheating rafters & siding. Drew 25 Dollars of Chessman & Wright. Paid Harry Irvin 10 50/100 Dollars Peter Fisher 8 42/100 Dollars. Paid Williamson 5 Dollars. 4 for siding Ballance on acct. Rained considerable this afternoon snowed at sunsett. Dark & raining at 6 O'clock. at 9 is clear & moonlight.

Nov 8 Cloudy with some rain last night. helped the Carpenters Raise the Kitchen. Paid Eli Davidson 4 22/100 Dollars for Beef. no Bank failures reported to Day. spent the evening in Hunts Grocery.

Nov 9 Clear & stiff frost. got up early & started for Berlin. Put on a small Gravel Roof for G Taylor. he Paid me the cash Down 5.00. came home by Dickinsons they are all well and up to their eyes in work. got safe at home about sunsett. Cris & Pidgeon opened my 4th Kiln hauled 2 thousand Brick to Zed Street. clear at 9 O'clock. Canal Bank of Cleveland Suspended to Day.

Nov 10 Weather hazy & Dull. some like Indian Summer. hauled Brick to Zed Street. rained at sundown. went out to farm for Oats got 11 Bushel of Oats & 2 of ears of corn. Dark and raining at 8 O'clock.

Nov 11 Cloudy & Dull with considerable Rain last night. hauled Brick. Carpenters got the Roof on the Kitchen. I got a letter from George Hise of California with a Draft of 3 hundred Dollars for John Hise. spent the evening at Tom Sharps met Allen Gouglass there had a good time. got home about 10 PM. Cleared off fine and is going freese smartly to night.

Nov 12 Clear & Pleasant. Margaret & I went out to Dickinsons had a pleasant visit got home after Dark. commenced Raining at sundown was very Dark. John Kineman came Back from out west says every Body out there has the Ague. wrote two letters one to George the other to John Hise. must now go to Bed.

Nov 13 Cloudy & cold and growing colder. Cris & I hauled 500 Brick to Street. hauled some cinders & made some good Road. Paid George Flick ten Dollars Drew it of Z Street. Built a coal house up on Lisbon St. spent the Evening at home. still grows colder.

Nov 14 Cloudy & cold ground frose Dry. Cris is hauling wood. I settled with John Whinnery & John Harris took their Due Bills money isscarce. attended Trescotts Auction Bought some articles but Paid all they were worth. cold wind from South West at 9 O'clock.

Nov 15 Cloudy but warmer. spent the Day & Done but little. took some of my Mineral Specimons up to John Whinnerys Dentistry office. he has quite a collection. Rained all this afternoon. Margaret attended the Sewing circle at Tom Sharps. I spent the evening there.

Nov 16 Cloudy & snowing at Daylight. Disagreeable out Doors. hauled 2 loads of Brick. bought some things at Trescotts Auction. the Cars ran off the track at the Depot no one hurt.

Nov 17 windy. hauled 4 thousand Brick to Z Street. I worked a little at Mothers House. roads quite muddy. Bought a hog of Z Street.

Nov 18 Cloudy & colder snowed some through the Day. cold & raw. Done but little

work to Day. Mary Beaumont spent the evening with us.

Nov 19 Cloudy & cool. helped George Allison remove his master wheel. spent some time at Sharps foundry. in afternoon we had visitors Hannah Strawn E Dickinson Robt Samborn of Chester Co Penn. in the evening Elwood Vickers & Lady called Down & spent a few Hours in chat. snowed some little.

Nov 20 Cloudy & some warmer. went out to Tom Sharps Foundry to see about an Engine. he is going to get up new Patterns and I am going to wait on them. in afternoon I worked at piling wood. quite warm at sunsett. Louis Blane commenced ____.

Nov 21 Clear & very frosty this morning. soon clouded up & remained hazy all Day. rained a little about Sunsett. turned the Hubs for John Gordons wagon.

Nov 22 Cloudy & warm all Day. made an effort to collect money but failed. Cris hauled Brick in forenoon & 5 loads of gravel in afternoon (got it of Wm Fawcett. commenced a front gate for lane to Brick yard.

Nov 23 Partially clear. got up early. at about 6 O'clock AM Aunt Rebecca Lukens & Cousin William (her Son) arrived from Philadelphia. they left there at 1 O'clock on yesterday making the trip in about 16 Hours. they left all well. of course we were surprised to see them and glad also. Cris hauled Stone for Road. Carpenters finished Mothers Kitchen. I wrote a Deed for lot Bought of Pidgeon. got a letter from John Hise. sat up late must go to Bed.

Nov 24 Cloudy & wet Rained hard in the afterpart of the night. to Day Wm Keals Creditors closed up his Shop & took possession of his effects. I was appointed one of the Appraisers of the Property. the whole Day was taken up in invoicing. Chessman & Wright, Hill Tolerton & T C Boone ____ out the Executions. Rained in afternoon Roads very muddy. Spent the evening at home. Sold a Draft to Joel McMillan of 3 Hundred Dollars Payable by Wm Hage & Co Wall St New York.

Nov 25 Cloudy & wet. Repaired the walk in our wood house. took a lein on Isaac Packers Brick House for 28 50/100 Thomas Kennett wrote it. Borrowed 15 Dollars of Wm T Fawcett & Paid George Flick. Uriah Wilson Paid me 13 Dollars. Paid Dutch John the Butcher 10 Dollars of it. Sharp & Bonsall Paid me 50 Dollars I Paid Wm Pidgeon 25 of it & Cris Kineman 20 Rheuben Schooley 2 Dollars which left me 5 of it on hand. Mother Aunt Beccy Cousin William Margaret & Sis all went to Canfield going to stay all night. I went to Auction to Trescotts Bought 3 pair of Slippers & some Books. Played Ukre with Louis Blane until 11 O'clock PM then Read Geology until quite late. I suppose it was 2 O'clock when I crawled in to Bed (I Don't like to sleep without Margaret.

Nov 26 Cold ground froze some. got up late sat in House all Day. Folks got home at Dark. spent the evening in at Mother Hises talking with Aunt B Beccy. came home at 1/2 9 scribbled it Down & will now (after Drawing my Boots go to Bed.

Nov 27 Cloudy & cold with about an inch of Snow. Wm Lukens & I walked out to see the F___. I Bought 1 Barrel of Flour of Asa Webb for which I Paid him Nine Dollars & 37 cts. got 2 Dollars of the money of Zed Street. Cris & I Hauled cinders the Ballance of the Day. Wm & I Played Old Sledge all the evening. weather cold.

Nov 28 Cloudy & cold winter fairly set in. Cris hauled wood & I commenced my Brick Moulding Model. weather about the same all Day. Aunt Beccy spent the evening with us.

Nov 29 Clear & cold. worked some on my moddle in forenoon. in afternoon went out to farm and brot in my Pork weighed 1308 lb 561 lb of which I bought of John Bennett that being his share. Bought 834 lb of Zadok Street at 4 Dollars per Hundred. attended Trescotts Auction Bought some M____.

Nov 30 Cold as usual. cut up my Pork. went to Auction afternoon. Isaac Boones house Burned last night Sim Sharp lived in it. lost considerable of his goods & Provisions. a good Deal of Damadge Done to Property by removing it out of the adjoining houses. wrote a letter to Joseph Lukens.

Dec 1 Clear most of the Day. salted my Pork Done but little else. Mother & Aunt Beccy was out to Tom Sharpnacks. James Doud is here this evening and is going to stay all night.

Dec 2 Clear & warm all Day roads muddy. Done a little work at my Moddle. John Burns a Mason was Buried at Lisbon to Day. a good many Masons attended his Funeral. sent 2 Liens to get Recorded. hazy & looks like falling weather.

Dec 3 Cloudy & snowing. took Aunt Becca out to see Aunt Jane. Mother Hise Margaret and Sis went along. Stormed all Day. got home at Dark. Wm Lukens was with us. I spent the evening with Jesse Hise playing Ukre.

Dec 4 Cold & snowed all Day. ground my axe intend to cut some saw logs. Aunt Beccy visited here to Day. good Sleighing & weather cold.

Dec 5 Cloudy & cold all Day. worked on and finished my Moddle. good Sleighing as can be. Collision of the Cleveland & Pittsburg Rail Road conductor killed (Seymour). further I Did not learn.

Dec 6 Cold & snowing. collected 6 Dollars of Stacy Hunt & I Paid it to John Neas for goods bought at Trescotts. snowed all Day. played Ukre with Louis Blane. Cris commenced work for David Woodruff.

Dec 7 Cold & very Stormy. Dug a well 7 feet Deep at Back Door. came to water & stopped until I get help to wall it. wind blowed very hard all Day Snow Drifted much. Yerkes Howel called in this evening. William Lukens went home with him.

Dec 8 Still cold with excellent Sleighing. worked some on a sled that I commenced last winter. at noon Louis Blane & I commenced at our well again sunk it 4 feet Deeper & walled it up with Brick to within 3 feet of top. clear & cold at Dark

Dec 9 Cloudy & weather moderate. Bought an overcoat of Z Street cost 9 Dollars he gave me 5 Dollars on acct. at 1/2 past one O'clock Margaret & I Started to James Douds with a Sleigh arrived about Dark. found them all well. Phil Mathews wife Died of consumption.

Dec 10 Cloudy & warmer snow soft & thawing smartly. we had a Pleasant visit. at 1 O'clock we started home arrived Safe at Sundown found all well. snow melted considerable but still good Sleighing. going to freese some to night.

Dec 11 Cloudy & cold icy. worked at my sled until noon. in afternoon I took Aunt Beccy up to Hunt & Boones Gallery and got her Picture. this afternoon we had quite a Party for Aunt. after spending the evening very Pleasantly they all Dispersed all feeling the Better of having met.

Dec 12 Clear & still. got up early to Aunt Beccy & William Lukens starts East home again. they took Aunt Mary Howel with them she was raised in their neighborhood. will be a treat for her to get Back among her old school mates after an absence of 40 years. they all started on the 1/2 past 8 O'clock train. I Done but little the Ballance of the Day. feel rather Dull. thawed some but the Roads are very Icy. Bought 2 waggons of Jesse Hise gave him 115 Dollars for the two.

Dec 13 Cloudy & cold not going to thaw much to Day. shod Duke and hauled the timber for John Gordons wagon out to Wm Townsend he is going to make the wheels. got a letter from George Hise of California. he is not right well has some Pain in his Breast yet. talks some like coming home in the Spring. wrote him an answer this evening.

Dec 14 Clear & very Pleasant. walled up my well. Bought a 1/2 Barrel of Salt and put all my meat under pickle. Done but little else. sent a letter to George Hise of Oregon.

Dec 15 Clear & warm. Painted sash. went out to I A Blackburns & got timber for 2 pumps one for my own & 1 for Mother Hise. put in the Ballance of the Day boring them. Charles Griffing took supper with us.

Dec 16 Cloudy & looks some like rain. helped John Bennett clean out the well on farm & Put a good platform over it in afternoon. Done but little.

Dec 17 Cloudy & snowed some last night. spent some time out at Sharps Foundry. Alfred Wright was here looking at our House talks of buying it. turned colder at 4 O'clock and is freesing hard at 9 O'clock.

Dec 18 Cloudy & too cold to snow. worked hard all Day. finished & Put my pump in the well it works complete. got a letter from i Lukens saying that Aunt Beccy & William arrived safe at home.

Dec 19 Cloudy & cold all Day. spent the Day up town trying to Raise funds but could get none. Charly Douglass took Supper with us. snowed some Roads good.

Dec 20 Cloudy & cold. Done nothing to Day. spent some time at Sharp & Bonsalls. weather very cold. Charley took Supper with us is going to stop all night. he & I played Ukre. wrote a letter to C P Fletcher asking him to Pay me 30 Dollars he owes me. Jeffersons Wigwam (as it was called) in which he wrote the Declaration of Independence in the City of Philadelphia was consumed by fire on the 15th of this month. it stood about the corner of 5th & Chesnut. the old State House was in great Danger but was finally saved.

Dec 21 Cloudy fine winter weather. Preparing for our Anti Slavery Fair which commences tomorrow. Alfred Sheets Paid me 25 Dollars on Rent 10 coming yet. weather moderated a little.

Dec 22 Clear & still. Amos Gilbert called Down this morning & took Breakfast with us. attended Fair all Day & evening. sold considerable quite as much as we expected to. Susan Speaker a young Lady from New Lisbon came home & is staying with us. sun shone very Pleasant all Day. at 10 O'clock PM is still clear. Wm Kelty and Old acquaintence was Buried to Day. Died in Cleveland where he moved a few years ago.

Dec 23 Clear & cold. attended the Fair to the close. Done much better than I expected. Amos Gilbert came home and staid all night with us.

Dec 24 Cloudy & wet rained some last night. we all joined & cleared up the Hall.

Dec 25 Cloudy & warm the roads muddy. to Day the Fantasticks (or know nothing) Paraded the Streets and of all the odd and ill looking sett I ever saw that beat. Amos Gilbert is here with us to Day. the Sewing circle Packed the remainder of goods here to Day. I Paid George Weaver 10 Dollars for Rails. gave my Due Bill to John Fetters for 15 83/100 on acct with John MCCartney.

Dec 26 Cloudy & foggy. Drizzled Rain most of the Day. waters are rising for the first time since last April. Amos Gilbert is with us making a hand trunk for himself. got 3 Dollars of Zed Street. lots of mud.

Dec 27 Cloudy & Dull all Day. went out to Sharps Foundry. on tomorrow I shall commence my Engine. Paid John Fetters 10 Dollars for John Bennett and 3 to Old Mr Painter for sand.

Dec 28 Cloudy & foggy & Dull. plenty of mud but water still lessens. the rain falls very

sparingly. worked at Sharps. Louis & Jim hoisted gravel on N Wilson Hotel this afternoon. rained some toward evening. at Dark the wind hauled round from west to north and commenced howling. colder & snowed some. Ben Jones called in and told us some one Robbed Heatons last night.

Dec 29 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard. Ben Jones came before we was out of Bed to get Horse & waggon to one hundred Brick up for his cistern. spitting Snow but is too cold to Do much at it. took Jenny Lind (our cow) out to the Farm to winter. glazzed the windows for Mothers Kitchen. Amos Gilbert lent me Francis Wrights Lectures. spent the evening reading them.

Dec 30 Cold ground froze hard but little snow. went to Sharps & worked at the Patterns for my Brick machine. cleared off & thawed some in the sun But at Sunsett is real cold. got home at Dusk found Margaret absent on a visit up town and as I write she has not returned. Phebe got a letter from George W Hise he is still in California. moon shinevery Bright.

Dec 31 Clear & very pleasant in the sunshine all Day. worked at my Patterns most of the Day. returned (from Sharps) about 4 O'clock. found Margaret at Jesses. I came on home found Sis & Mary Hafley keeping house. Read some but am too much absorbed with my Brick machine to think of anything else. want very much to see it at work. Mary Hafley went to church with Mother Hise. I seldom go myself have not heard a sermon for several years nor Do I care to.

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Jan 1 Clear & very warm for time of year. got up early worked all Day at my Patterns. Bought a Boiler stand Pipe & fine font of Sharp & Bonsall for 45 Dollars. Andrew Pettit (the gun smith) got shot through the Head and Killed on the spot. he and some others were shooting at a mark. he went to plug the bullet hole & the gun in the hands of another person went off Prematurely. the Ball Passed in at his temple the Particulars further I have not heard. Mother Hise & 2 of Sister Unos Daughters helped us eat a turkey this evening.

Jan 2 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. worked at my Patterns. Amos Gilbert called in to see us at noon (in the Foundry). I insisted on his eating a Peice with me but he Declined saying he was going to let his Digestive Organs rest until tea time. he showed me & I read a letter he got from Frances Wright in 1828. after I read it he replaced it into his carpet sack and took leave saying he was going to see Thomas Taylor who lives next Door. word came to town to Day that Pettit was not Killed but Dangerously wounded. Settled with David Fawcett he owed $10.12 cts. Joseph assumed the payment and credited me with it.

Jan 3 Clear & warm all Day. worked at Patterns. this evening wrote a letter to the Editors of the Scientific American to see if I can obtain a Patent on my Brick Moulder. looks some like rain and wind blows considerable.

Jan 4 Cloudy & Dull. rained some & snowed some through the Day. took the Patterns for my Brick Machine to Sharp Davis & Bonsalls to get coatings from them. Amos Gilbert is here going to stay all night. some mud will freese a little to night.

Jan 5 Cloudy but not cold. John Whinnery Paid me 4 25cts he owed me. hiram Allen gave me one Dollar to take a Sled Buck that he Bought of me some time since. Amos staid to Diner. I repaired our fence & front gate. Mary got back from Dons Wedding he was married last wednesday. to night I finished a letter to Munn & Co New York.

Jan 6 Cloud with Stray wind from South all Day Dried the mud considerable. worked in Patterns all Day. Louis Blane got Severely hurt by the falling of a limb which Struck him on the top of the Head cutting it considerable. will freese none to night. Isaac Mendenhall Paid me 9 Dollars his 3rd quarter Rent. Tacy Johnson Paid me 3 Dollars for Brick.

Jan 7 Cloudy Pleasant early but soon commenced Raining. growed colder & snowed a good Part of the Day but melted as it fell. Done something at my Patterns.

Jan 8 Clear & cold thawed a little but not much Roads Bad. worked at Patterns. in evening wrote a letter to C.M. Russle & Co of Massilon want to get a Bevel wheel of them. Margaret is visiting at Elwood Vickers going to Temperance meeting and I must

meet her there & come home with her. this is the arrangement she has made in my absence and of course I will cheerfully comply. I am off. Stopped in and Settled with Joel McMillan he owed me some. I Bought a Large Dictionary cost 6 Dollars which left me in his Debt.

Jan 9 Clear but air Raw. worked on Patterns. attended Temperance meeting to night. Paid John M. Clemens 10 Dollars owe him about 7 yet.

Jan 10 Clear & cold ground frose. worked on Patterns. Roads Bad. Read the Liberator. nothing more to Say but to Bed to Bed.

Jan 11 Cloudy & Dull rained & snowed both. Dull all Day. worked at Patterns quit early. Doc Harris Paid me 18 Dol I Paid it to Mrs. Pidgeon owe them 22 yet. spent the evening up town for the first for some time. Paid Mary Hafley 2 Dollars.

Jan 12 Cloudy & warm thawed Roads. muddy. worked on Patterns.

Jan 13 Cloudy & windy. Rained hard about 6 O'clock. at 8 snowed fast but melted as it fell. worked this forenoon at Patterns but in afternoon Bought Paper & glue. want to Paper our Sitting Room tomorrow. Bought a Barrel of Flour cost 9 40/100. Amos Gilbert is with us to night. wind howls & is getting some colder. Jesse Hise Paid me 5 Dollars he owed me. Settled with Samuel Street he owed me 2 40/100 Paid me.

Jan 14 Cold & starry. got up late. Amos stayed until about noon. Margaret & I Papered our Sitting Room to Day. wrote a letter Unkle John Goulbourn of England.

Jan 15 Cloudy & cold but is moderating. thawed some toward night. worked at Patterns. got a letter from Munn & Co New York. read the Liberator until late.

Jan 16 Partially clear with weather moderated. thawed considerable to Day. worked on Patterns. Horace Mann (President of Antioch Colledge) Lectures in the Hall to night. his Subject Great Britain and her ability to carry on a War with Russia. I Dont care about the Subject and therefore I shall not attend.

Jan 17 Clear most of the Day & quite warm & pleasant. worked at my Patterns as usual. Amos Gilbert came to see me & he & I ate our Diner together. Margaret had put up enough to Do us Both. I Parted with him sorrowfully. before leaving he left inmy care a small Portable Desk that was once the Property of Francis Wright. I shall take special care of it both his & hers account. spent the Evening up town.

Jan 18 Cloudy. got up early went to the farm and brot 2 Bushels of ears of corn on Duke. worked at Patterns. snowed some but the ground is barely covered. in the evening shelled my corn & corded up our Bed. got a letter from Massilon in answer to one written on the 8th inst.

Jan 19 Cloudy & weather moderated some. worked at Patterns all Day. Read the Bugle in the evening. nothing special to Say and will go to Bed.

Jan 20 Cloudy & moderate winter weather. snowed a little last night. called at Sharps & Bonsalls and got their castings for my Brick machine. they weigh about 275 lb. commenced planing them up about noon. Mother Hise took supper with us.

Jan 21 Cloudy & cool. snowed about one inch Deep about Daylight but rained considerable through the Day. water is higher now than it has been since last may. worked at my Brick Moulder. got home a little before night found Ben Jones here. he is quite a stranger. he took supper with us. he showed me a letter from Theodore Parker about the Hardest specimin of writing I ever saw. is Raining and Blowing at 8 O'clock. Margaret is busy Sewing Carpet rage.

Jan 22 Cloudy & very windy ground frose hard. got up early & went to work at my Brick machine. in the evening went to see a ventriliquist by the name of Seamon. his Performance was Pretty good some Parts rather Redicklous. clear & cold at 9 O'clock PM. I have a very sore eye having got some iron it it.

Jan 23 Very cold. worked all Day at the Brick Machine. got home late found all well. Bought 1 gallon of excellent honey syrup for 75 cents. Keep cold water clothes on it to keep Down inflammation.

Jan 24 Clear & cold as greenland. snowed a little last night. got up early my eye Pains me much. I have it Darkened as I ____ not write. it is all I can Do as it is. eye commenced getting better about noon and when I retire is considerably better.

Jan 25 Cloudy cold & snowing. went early to work and stuck close to it all Day. got along well. eye is much better. snowed some all Day and at 8 O'clock is still at it. Read a speech Delivered By Parker Pillsbury before the London Conference which is just such an one as he alone could give utterance to. how I want to see him. he is a great favorite of Margaret as well as my own.

Jan 26 Cloudy & indicative of more snowed. worked at my Brick machine. snowed all the afternoon wind blowed hard snow Drifted. Lousi Blane hauled wood from Callahans.

Jan 27 Cold & snowed some to Day. got some of the Castings formy engine. worked on them all Day. Louis Hauled wood. Charles Strattons little Boy Died this morning with Croup.

Jan 28 Cold cloudy & snowing some all Day. went with Louis Blane out to the farm & showed him what to cut into Saw logs & haul to Mill. Father Goulbourn & Mary Gee were here to Diner. Father is quite well. wrote a letter to Jo Lukens of Montgomery Co Pa.

Jan 29 Cloudy & Stormy as usual. worked at Patterns. Louis hauled Rails. Edmund Phillips is verry sick. good Sleighing.

Jan 30 Cold & very windy. worked at Patterns all Day. got a letter from George Hise of California. at 6 O'clock wind fell but is still very cold. Sis & Mary Hafley has gone to Temperance Meeting.

Jan 31 Cloudy & cold fine winter weather. worked at Patterns all Day. sent a letter to George Hise. Margaret, Sis, Mary, Louis, & Ham have all gone a Sleighing up to Canfield. I Preferred staying at Home. spent the evening up at Lizzie Jones. Joel & Sarah Macmillen called while I was there. came home about 9 O'clock found the House comfortably warm. shall try to keep it so until the Sleighing Party returns.

Feb 1 Cloudy with some more snow last night fine winter weather. worked on my Engine. Great Ball at Farquhar House to night. Read the Tribune But little in it except a Series of letters Signed Doesticks that with very few exceptions are Devoid of Literary merit.

Feb 2 Cloudy & snowed a little. Sleighing excellent. worked at my Engine. James Daugon Buried to Day he is reported to have Died Drunk. Margaret & Sis was out to Grandfather Goulbourns with Rachel hise. called and spent the evening with Lizzie Jones. got home about 9 O'clock.

Feb 3 Clear & verry cold all Day. worked on my engine. Louis Blane hauled 10 saw logs to Schooleys Saw mill has 60 more to haul yet.

Feb 4 Cloudy and as cold or colder than before this winter. got up late but after breakfast went out to Foundry & Put in the Ballance of the Day at work on my Engine. am infinitely better Satisfied at work than when I am Idle. got back at Dusk found that John Gordon had been here in my absence. he Borrowed Paines Age of Reason to read I am glad of it. I want such men as him to read it they will Profit by it. he is one of the kind who are not affraid to read nor Declare the truth after they have read it.

Feb 5 Cloudy & cold. snowed a very little all Day. worked on my Engine. Bought 1 gallon of Syrup of McConell for 75 cents. Bought a Bolt of Muslin of Z Street cost 9 cents per yard. Margaret made me an apron the first I ever had of the kind it will keep my clothes clean. went to bed late.

Feb 6 Clear & very cold. got up early. about the time I got a good fire Amos Gilbert arrived how glad I am to see him. Mercury 18 Degrees below Zero. Amos went to Marlboro.

Feb 7 Cold as usual early but moderated a little & snowed or rather Rained and rose. quite crust on the Snow. worked on my engine. not so cold at 8 O'clock PM.

Feb 8 Cloudy cold & fine winter weather with good Sleighing. Louis is haulling logs & I worked on my Engine. got my fly wheel at Taylors Foundry weighed 285 pounds cost 5 cents per lb. Taylor owed me 5 Dollars & Levi Wharton pays the Ballance 9 25/100. I have nothing special to Record.

Feb 9 Cloudy & cold snow Dry resembles coarse sand treads up loose. a verry little snow fell through the Day. Louis finished hauling saw logs (68 in all). spent the evening at home.

Feb 10 Weather about the Same. worked on my engine. Paid Peter Fisher 5 Dollars got it of Alfred Sheets. our Daughter is to Day 12 years of age. she has some visitors of her own age. to Day our great Mayor Enos Coldridge resigns his office. what is to become of the town now? I got a new idea for my Brick machine from Thomas Kennitt Esq. think I shall adopt it.

Feb 11 Cloudy with weather a little moderated. fence slightly wet and snow some soft. to Day James Daugons Funeral Sermon was preached in the Town Hall it was filled to overflowing. Rev Inmon Spoke. with some exceptions I thought the Discourse a good one. at the close a collection was taken for the Benefit of the Widow & Orphan Children. Oh Rum thou Fiend from Hell & scourge of Earth when will thy Presence be forever Banished. (let us all join to crush the Monster.

Feb 12 Cloudy & colder snowed a little through the Day. Louis hauled plank from Carrs saw Mill to D Woodruff For Bertolett. Paid me 30 Dolls for Charles P Fletcher the last he owes me. I was very glad to get it as I need it much. some warmer to night. George B_dlum Lectures in the Town Hall subject Humbug.

Feb 13 Cloudy rained most of the Day snow melting fast. verry Disagreeable. sat up late making valentines.

Feb 14 Cloudy thawed all Day. roads sloppy. worked on my Engine. Don't know any thing else now. Paid John Thompson 10 Dollars.

Feb 15 Weather about the Same. put in half a Day at my Engine. in afternoon hung up meat to Smoke. got a Bad cold (never had a good one).

Feb 16 Cloudy & some colder. snowed some which made the Sleighing most excellent. worked on my Engine got along well. got a letter from Massilon must answer it to night. very Pleasant winter weather.

Feb 17 Partially clear thawed considerable. worked at my engine. got the Cylander & Bed plate cast to Day. came home before Dark. Read some in the Bible got hold of the Story of Esau & Jacob and a more Despicable character than this some Jacob I never read.

Feb 18 Cloudy & frose up. went out to Sharps Foundry & cleaned the sand off Cylander

& Bed Plate came home before night. Margaret visited Sarah Sharp. I should have called had I have known it. roads very icy.

Feb 19 Cloud fine winter weather Roads excellent. worked on my Engine. Reason Bricker Paid me 20 Dollars his rent until April 1st 1855. wrote John Hise a short letter. ink is to mean for any use. I shall thaw it out as soon as I finish her. her it goes.

Feb 20 Cloudy & a little warmer. worked on Engine until noon. James Doud & Family came to pay us a visit his Mother in law accompanied them. I was glad to see them all. he hitched to my sled and we all went Down to see Marius Robinson. Emily was not at home. had the good fortune to meet Mr & Mrs Bown there. had a fine sociable chat got home about 10 O'clock. very clear & cold.

Feb 21 Clear & frosty. our friends Doud got their likenesses taken at Hunt & Boones. started home about noon. thawed very much to Day sun shone Beautifully all Day. repaired David Fawcetts pump but Did not make a good job of it am going to try it again. Paid Jim Post 3 Dollars for cutting sawlogs.

Feb 22 Cloudy & cold all Day snowed a very little. tried the pump again but Done it no good. Isaac Mendenhall Paid me 3 Dollars & 48 cents a ballance he owed me on rent. Paid 177 cents of it for scrap for T Sharp.

Feb 23 Cloudy with considerable more snow. over slept myself in consequence of being up late 3 nights in sucsession. Mary Hafley hasgone home to stay. wrote a letter to John Hise & a line to John Gordon asking him to Donate 40 Bushels of coal to the 2 widows in our vicinity.

Feb 24 Cloudy & most Darned cold all Day. worked at my Engine as usual. Mary Hafley went home to Day to stay. excessive cold weather.

Feb 25 Clear & cold as ever. Put in the Day on my Engine. feel better Satisfied at work than I Do idle. read an extract in the Liberator from Judge Edmonds work on Spiritualism which gives me serious Doubts of his Sanity. cold as greenland all Day.

Feb 26 Cloudy & cold as ever. put in the Day on my Engine. Joseph Wilson & Jeff Walton arrested for Robbing letters the former is out on 2500 Dollars Bale. Joseph Barker Paid me 15 Dollars & 14 cents owes me 10 yet.

Feb 27 Cold as usual. Louis Blane started east with Horses (as a hand only). worked on my engine. weather moderated a little Roads as good as can be. gave Andrew Smith an order on Z Street for one Dollar. Bought Sis a good pair of Shoes of Charley Stratton for 1 Dollar & 25 cents.

Feb 28 Clear & very Pleasant all Day thawed smartly in the sun shine. got a letter from George Hise he is well and Doing well. got a line from Massilon accompanied by a Bill of

Lading of my 2 wheels for Brick Moulder cost 3.75 cents cheap enough. commenced a letter for George.

Mar 1 Clear & Beautiful all Day. got along well with my engine. called at the Depot & Paid the freight on my wheels. Bought a Barrel of Flour of Zed Street cost 9.50. Phebe Henshilwood called in a few minutes. the Baptists are having a Protracted meeting (Poor things).

Mar 2 Cloudy but pleasant thawed all Day and will not freese much to night. still at my Engine. sent $3.75 cents to C M Russell of Massilon for wheel & Pinion for my Brick Molder. got a letter from Don File wanting testimony that his Father was a soldier. I Dont know that he ever had a Father I never Saw him. Perhaps Mother Hise has I will go & see her. Margaret is unwell.

Mar 3 Cloudy & snowing at 6 AM. put in the Day on my Engine. Paid John McCartney 2.50 cents I owe. Dickinson and Lizzie was to see us. saw Silas Gordon at the Forker House.

Mar 4 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. went to Schooleys Mill & Marked my Saw Logs. came home by the farm all looks right. in afternoon went Down to Jo Balls. Jesse Hise took Supper with us. moon shines as bright as Day snow is nearly gone and roads are some muddy.

Mar 5 Cloudy & warm rained a little through the Day. commenced setting up my Engine to Day. Ben Ball of Iowa came out to see me he is going to Kansas. took Duke out to the farm to Keep him there out of Hay. Dark and very muddy.

Mar 6 Partially clear thawed and appears like spring. still working at my Engine. went to hear Casuas M Clay lecture. his subject was the Despotism of American Slavery and he made a master Speech. the Town Hall was crowded. freesing some to night.

Mar 7 Clear & warm in the forepart of the Day. cloudy hailed and rained some in the afternoon. Mary Beaumont visited and took supper with us. Drew a Draft for George Hise for a Machine to wash gold out of mud in California.

Mar 8 Cloudy & clear at intervals. still at the Engine. got me a Pair of new Boots cant have wet feet & good health and if good Boots secure good health who would not secure good Boots.

Mar 9 Cloudy & colder snowed fast & wind blew hard from North West all Day. ground frose hard by Dark. Paid Wm Pidgeon 22 Dollars the Ballance on the lot I Bought of him. Jesse Hise spent the evening with us.

Mar 10 Clear & moderately warm all Day. forged my strap joints to Day for engine. at night read the Liberator and Standard until bed time.

Mar 11 Cloudy cool & raining. went out to the farm. Settled with John Bennett owed him 25 00/100 for his share of the grain. went from there to Schooleys Saw mill. helped Henry Roll in 2 of my logs got back about 3 O'clock. John Deming had been here to see me but I was absent. eye sore to night.

Mar 12 Cloudy & Dull. put in the Day on my Engine. at night wrote 12 advertisements for John Bennetts (and mine) sale. Read the Liberator etc etc.

Mar 13 Cloudy & wet Dark all Day. thundered & lightning at 6 O'clock PM. worked on my Engine. waters high wind blowed hard all last night and blows yet at 8 O'clock. our well is full of muddywater. I have just been up to the Forker House for Drinking water.

Mar 14 Clear in fore part of the Day. rolled in logs at Schooleys mill until noon. in afternoon worked at Engine. Aunt Mary Howel got home this morning brought the word that Cousin Wm Lukens was Dead. Died at Philadelphia Liquor the cause.

Mar 15 Cloudy rained some to Day. roads muddy. worked at the Engine.

Mar 16 Clear 7 Pleasant until nearly night when it clouded up and rained a little. Still at the Engine.

Mar 17 Cloudy & wet with heavy rain through the night. toward noon it cleared off Partially with wind in southwest. mud Dried up fast.

Mar 18 Partially clear and quite Pleasant. worked hard at my Engine. W W Brown Lectured in the Town Hall to good effect. I Did not know of his 2 O'clock Lecture until too late we all attended this Evening. he is quite a speaker. shaved off some of my whiskers.

Mar 19 Clear & Pleasant. got up early & set the ley Tub. sun shone warm until about noon when it clouded up & became windy. at 5 O'clock PM snowed very fast. Margaret & Sis walked out to Tom Sharpnacks came home through the snow & wind. complain of being tired shouldnt wonder. Mary Hise was with them. Jesse Hise spent the evening with us. I am still filing up the Engine.

Mar 20 Cloudy & cold all Day. ground frose hard. Putting the Engine through fast. Read the Liberator to night.

Mar 21 Clear & cold remained cold all Day thawed none of account and is frose up hard at 6 O'clock PM. am very tired filed all Day which to me is hard work.

Mar 22 Clear & cloudy at intervals but cold all Day. still at the Engine. Louis Blane returned to Day. left Philadelphia last night at 11 O'clock.

Mar 23 Cloudy & cold all Day. wind blew hard from the South west most of the Day. ground frose hard. Sis is unwell we are some affraid she is getting the fever. Read the Bugle until about 9 O'clock and after getting it Down will Retire.

Mar 24 Cloudy & cold wind in North & snowing fast at 6 O'clock AM. stormy all Day ground frose hard. Sis is better.

Mar 25 Cold & windy thawed next to none & soon frose up hard. worked on my Engine ground the valves & sett them got it about Done am glad of it. Ben & Lizzie Jones spent the evening with us. was Delighted with their company.

Mar 26 Cold & windy still. worked on my Brick Machine want to Put it through in a Hurry. ground frose hard. I spent most of the evening at Daniel Boultons. met Margaret & Sis (according to a previous arrangement) at Mother Hises where we sat and talked until about 10 O'clock. wind blows hard & cold as I write.

Mar 27 Cold & Raw all Day. snowed some but was too cold to Do much at it. worked on my Brick machine. got a letter from John Hise all well. he is Plowing his Oats ground ours is frose rather hard yet.

Mar 28 Cold & Raw snow an inch Deep. this morning made Pullies for my Engine. to Day Mary Hafley her father Brother and one sister all took Diner with Margaret to Day. they are going to start to Indiana in about one week. still cold at Bed time.

Mar 29 Clear & cold all Day wind Dried up the mud fast. made Patterns for Brick Molds & corn wheel. Mary & Rachel Hafley are here to night. David Woodruff & Annice Weaver is married to night (so Says Report. clear & moonlight at 10 O'clock.

Mar 30 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. tried to collect money but slipped up. Borrowed 15 Dollars of Joel McMillan until monday. Paid Mary Hafley 13 25/100 of it. Aunt Mary Howel is very sick at Mother Hises she came in to Day. Smiley attends her.

Mar 31 Clear & most Delightful weather. John Bennetts sale went of to Day things sold high. hay brot 11 Dollars & 65 cent Per 1/2 ton. I Bought 2 hogs 4 & 2 years old & 3 & 1 year old calves. got a letter from G C Pearce of Oregon Territory Dated Jan 24 1855 making enquiry for George W Hise. Pearce is the man that George moved across the Plains in 1852. George says Pearce owes him his life. Pearce from the tone of his letter feels grateful for the Same. (Bought 10 quire of good Paper.

Apr 1 Clear windy & most Devilishcold. took Kate and started to ride her out to Daniel Millers 2 mile South of Westville to engage the Services of his Daughter Mary to Do house work but found it to cold to go in that way. stoped at Tom Sharps and got his Buggy with that I nearly persished. got Back before night found E Dickinson here. she is going to Board with us and go to school this sumer.

Apr 2 Clear & cold. Louis Blane hitched up our team hauled in my Engine & Brick Moulder. hauled Chessman a load of iron and Put in the Ballance of the Day hauling wood off of Allen Forkers lot. John Sesnie paid me 250 Dollars. I Paid it all away where I owed it. Philip Evans called in to show me a letter she got from John Hise. he wants some apple trees.

Apr 3 Clear & quite Pleasant all Day. got my Barrel of Honey Syrup from Philadelphia freight on it was 5 07/100 Dollars we think it is good. Done something towrds my Brick Machine. Louis hauled lumber from Schooleys Mill.

Apr 4 Clear & warm thawed fast to Day. worked on my Brick machine. John Sessnia Paid me 1 Hundred Dollars. Hannah Strawn & Daniel (Husband) & sarah Garwood spent the evening with us. looks some like Rain.

Apr 5 Cloudy & Dull all Day. worked on Brick Molder. Paid John Fawcett 1 Hundred Dollars. Raining at 9 PM. warm grass will soon grow.

Apr 6 Clear & pleasant in morning but clouded up & snowed before night. A T Foss of New Hampshire took Diner and is going to stay with us until monday. he lectures on Anti Slavery.

Apr 7 Clear & pleasant all Day. turned the Shaft and hung the wheel for Brick Machine. Paid Cris Kineman 50 Dollars owe him 96 yet. cold is some better cant speak above my Breath yet scarcely.

Apr 8 Clear & warm all Day. Margaret & I called up to see Lizzie & Ben Jones. after taking Diner with them we all Repaired to the Town Hall to Hear Mr Foss lecture on Anti Slavery. After meeting Marius Robinson & Emily came home with us. took tea and had a plesant chat. attended Mr Foss's lecture. wrote a note inviting Mr Inmon to attend and Defend his church but he Declined Doing So.

Apr 9 Clear & warm all Day. worked on Brick machine. very Pleasant weather. Cris Kineman started to Iowa this morning. Mr A.T. Foss started for home this evening.

Apr 10 Cloudy & colder growed gradually colder all Day. worked some on my Brick Machine. Louis made some garden & some fence. got a letter from George Hise he is well. Bought a new shovel & pocket knife. got the worst kind of a cough.

Apr 11 Cold & windy all Day ground getting Dry. Wm Townsend brot John Gordons wheels they are complete. spent the evening up town.

Apr 12 Clear & warm all Day. put in the time on my Brick machine. was out to the farm. George has got the oats ground ready to sow. wrote a line to Ben Ball of Iowa making some enquiries concerning land owned by one Parke.

Apr 13 Cloudy & Raining some at Daylight. coughed all night slept but little. helped make fence. Raised the grinder in our cellar. John Kelly Paid me his Bill 10 60/100 glad of it. Sun shone through the Day weather Beautiful.

Apr 14 Cloudy with some rain last night. Slept but little coughed most of the night. in afternoon worked at the Foundry. fine growing weather.

Apr 15 Cloudy & raining at Daylight but soon cleared off warm. Margaret Sis Libby Dickinson and I walked out to John Gordons had a pleasant visit. got home about Dark. grass growing fast.

Apr 16 Clear & very warm all Day. at noon Louis & went Down to Schooleys mill to Roll in logs but considered it useless. came home by the farm. got George Flick to help us and we hauled in our Boiler. Bought 1 Bushel of Seed Potatoes for which I Paid 1 50/100.

Apr 17 Cloudy & Raining at Daylight rained hard until 10 O'clock cleared off beautiful this afternoon. cut an old Patch off of our Boiler must put on a new one. Bought a quarter of veal cost 4 1/2 per lb.

Apr 18 Clear & very warm all Day. worked on the Brick machine. Louis made fence. Met Joseph Barker & Lady at the Depot. they just Returned from a long visit to England having been absent since May 4th 1854. I was very much Pleased to see them Safe Back.

Apr 19 Cloudy & rained a little this afternoon. sett out 7 appletrees & 2 cherry trees at the farm. Bought some good butter. got a piece of iron for a Patch for Boiler. Ed Phillips brot it from Pittsburgh cost 1.29 cents. warm and fine growing weather.

Apr 20 Cloudy & cooler. rained very hard until about noon. Louis went to Benton & brot us 20 Bushels lime. cleared off fine in the evening. Mary Beaumont spent the evening with us. set up late Reading Earnest Matt___ to Margaret & Lizzie.

Apr 21 Clear & very warm all Day. Patched our Boiler. Bought 2 1/2 bushels of Dried Apples of Joseph England cost 3 12/100 Dollars. Settled with Joseph Ball a long account standing since 1848. he owed me 149 27/100 Dollars. gave me his Due Bill for it. Mary Ann is Down at her Grandfathers to Day to night Margaret & I are alone Lizzie having gone home.

Apr 22 Clear & warm. Louis & I Rolled in our saw logs at Schooleys Mill. spent the Ballance of the Day at home Doing nothing.

Apr 23 Clear & warm. Louis hauled sand. Jim Post cleaned up the Brick yard. I sold some Brick etc etc. went up to Ben Jones & got a Liberator. learned from them that Lillie Jones (Dilwing Daughter) Died this morning. she was to intellectual to stay here.

Apr 24 Clear but looks some like Rain. John Kinneman commenced work to Day clearing up the yard. made our garden. Bought 2 Barrels of flour cost 10 25/100 Dollars per Barrel. Alfred Sheets Paid me the Ballance of his rent up to this Day. he moves to Ashland Ohio. Jo Ball started to Iowa.

Apr 25 Cloudy & looks like Rain. George Noosebaum commenced setting my Boiler. Henry Flick commenced work to Day. Rained some in afternoon.

Apr 26 Cloudy & cool. got our well Done (at the Brick yard). wind blew very hard & cold.

Apr 27 Clear & cool. got our Engine over to Day. no Prospects of Rain now it is too cold. Elizabeth Sheets started with her Family to Ashland Ohio.

Apr 28 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. finished our stack and sett the Engine. Josh Davis Paid his Brick bill of last year11 05/100 Dol. Bought 1/2 Bu seed Potatoes of John Holloway Paid him 75 cents for them. everything eatible is now high. Flour is 10 50/100 per Barrel corn 1 Dol good Potatoes 175 per bu sugar 8 cents per lb butter 16 Do etc etc.

Apr 29 Clear & Pleasant. Margaret Lizzie & I took a walk out to the farm. called in to see Sarah McMillan from thence we strolled around by Schooleys Mill to Joseph Barkers. after spending a couple of hours verry Pleasantly too started for home. John Deming called in & he & I settled he owed & Paid me 9 61/100 Dollars. cool and Pleasant at 9 O'clock PM.

Apr 30 Cloudy smoky & quite windy rained a little this afternoon. Peter Fisher commenced work at noon. John White & Delanney Garwood commenced work this morning. covered our Boiler & Engine. Bought 1 1/2 Bushels of Potatoes cost 1 50/100 per Bushel.

May 1 Cloudy with a fine shower before Daylight. commenced hauling Brick. some are D____ the Pond. George Flick Plowed our truck Patch.

May 2 Cloudy & Dull rained most of the forenoon. we are all busy getting ready to make Brick. sent by John McCalla for 1 Barrel of Pitch gave him 5 Dollars to pay for it. fruit trees are just in Bloom. every thing in Creation looks cheering.

May 3 Cloudy & wet considerable Rain last night. got up early & walked to Sharpnacks to get Margaret help. Ike Thomas Paid me 65 Dollars in place of a Hundred. worked at my Brick Machine. Cloudy all Day. Sewing Circle met here to Day. Bought 2 Bushels of corn meal. costs 95 cents per Bushel.

May 4 Clear & cold all Day. nothing unusual to record.

May 5 Clear cool and Pleasant all Day. Planted our Potatoes & worked on the yard all

Day. Paid Chalkley Boone 33 85/100 Dollars. Put on a small gravel Roof for Hiram Greiner.

May 6 Clear & very Pleasant. got up early & made a corn Plow before breakfast. was out to the farm everything looks well.

May 7 Clear with some indications of Rain. finished my Safety valve and put on the pipes. got our Engine about ready to Run. Directly after noon it clouded up and turned much colder. with some Rain at sundown is very Disagreeable & cold. if it should clear off we shall have a Big frost.

May 8 Cloudy cold and snowing. snowed considerable in the night. looks quite winter like ourt of Doors. nothing going on at the Brick yard. some is cutting wood some oiling Harness. some making gates and Louis is Blacksmithing. snowed all Day at times very fast but melted as it fell. ground is very wet in consequence. Bought the belting for my engine & Brick Machine cost 3 31/100 Dollars. wind in North West all Day.

May 9 Clear & Pleasant all Day. got our Engine about Ready to Run. some are Digging clay. going to be some frost to night.

May 10 Clear & warmish all Day. got up Steam and Ran our Engine for the firstime it runs well. stiff frost last night.

May 11 Clear & Pleasant all Day. worked at my Brick Machine & other maters. getting ready to make Brick. hard frost last night fear the fruit is killed.

May 12 Partially clear with indications of Rain. worked on the yard until noon. William Hise spent some time with me talking about Brick making etc. Put on a small gravel Roof for Sam Chessman. Dark & looks Rainy. Paid John White 2 25/100 Doll.

May 13 Clear & Pleasant. worked at the Brick Machine until 2 O'clock, visited at John Whinnerys in the afternoon. at sundown we walked up to Lizzie Jones & chatted an hour or so very Pleasantly.

May 14 Some cloud. finished up all our gravel Roofs in forenoon. in afternoon worked at a wheel for Brick Machine. rained a little at 6 O'clock PM. Pidgeon commenced Moulding Brick to Day.

May 15 Cloudy but no Rain through the night. George Flick & Louis Blane are Digging a well out at the Farm. we tried our Brick Machine to Day but it Does not Do well wants some alterations. shall try it again to morrow. Amos Gilbert was with us this afternoon.

May 16 Cloudy. got up early & commenced altering my Brick Machine. Rained most of the Day ground is now full of water.

May 17 Clear & pleasant all Day. tried the Brick Machine but must make more alterations. Paid Jim Post 5 Dollars. Anne Wilson waas here to Diner as was Amos Gilbert & J F Dickinson.

May 18 Cloudy & cool. working at my Brick Machine yet making alterations. Rained hard at 2 O'clock. Howard Gilbert (Amos's Son) called to spend an hour & two with. took Diner and chatted. we was very much gratified to have him Do so we esteem him much. cool & windy.

May 19 Cloudy & wet. Drizzled Rain most of the Day. the Boys Ditched our Back lot & sett some Posts for Shed. Amos Gilbert took Diner with us. he & I had a good talk on the Pavement setting on a side of Sole Leather. a Mr Pennypacker from near Philadelphia called on us to see Amos but he was not in. I Directed him to Frank Bentlys supposing he was there.

May 20 Cleared off Beautifully. Rode Duke out to Carys Saw Mill. came home by Schooleys mill found them sawing. at 1 O'clock hitched Both Horses to the Carriage and we all went out to Dickinsons. had a very Pleasant visit. Lizzie came home with us. Old John Keal Died at 3 O'clock PM.

May 21 Clear & Pleasant. worked at my Brick machine the Boys Dug clay. Ben & Lizzie Jones called Down a few minutes this evening. feel to Dull to write and will go to Bed.

May 22 Cloudy & looked some like Rain but cleared off and was Pleasant all Day. tried our Brick Machine. Done considerable better but is not just right yet.

May 23 Partially clear all Day weather charming. Digging clay. Pumped water and moulded some Brick Done well to Day. Ike Taylor returned from California.

May 24 Clear & Pleasant all Day. still Digging clay but expect to commence Moulding to morrow. Amos Gilbert called to see us.

May 25 Cloudy but cool. Righted up our Brick machine intending to make Brick tomorrow. Ike Taylor (who has just returned from California and the Sandwich Island called to see us. took Diner. we had a good time of it. Bought 4 Barrels of flour cost 41 Dollars.

May 26 Clear & cool all Day. got up Steam to make a Begining at the Brick but our castings proved too light. broke so we were all Disappointed. I took measures to procure heavier ones as soon as Possible. Determined not to give it up so Mr Brick. Built a new horse tub. hacked up some Brick etc etc.

May 27 Clear or Partially so with some frost. got up early and went Down to Jo Balls got Pasture for my young cattle. looked around the farm came home and hacked up

Brick. Father Goulbourn & Mary Gee took Diner with us. looks some like Rain at 9 O'clock PM.

May 28 Clear & cool with little Prospects of Rain. a Mr Woodford called on us this morning who is Direct from California. saw George Hise 4 weeks ago to Day. Wm McCran arrived from the same place. he had been working some for George. worked at a Pattern for a new wheel for Brick Moulder.

May 29 Clear & warm. got up early got up steam & pumped water out the clay hole. Both Moulders at work to Day. I worked at my Pattern for wheel. John McConners wife Buried to Day. But little appearance of Rain.

May 30 Clear & cloudy at intervals. looks some like Rain. fninished my Patterns to Day. got a letter from J F Hise last evening.

May 31 Cloud cool & Dull weather. Drizzled rain some most of the Day. I repaired 2 Roofs. Hiram Greiner Paid me 8 Dollars for one. I Paid Louis Blane 5 an S Trescott 2 of it. 4 of us went Down to Painters Sand bank to open it succeeded but Poorly. I went out to John Baums to see his but the chance is no Better. saw his mother who is still living and well. on the 8th of June she will be 93 years old.

Jun 1 Cloud & wet some windy rained all Day the ground is now quite wet. the Boys finished graveling U Wilsons Roof. I made a shovel Plow. went up this evening to see Ella Jones. Mrs Root came last evening and brot her along. still cloudy at 9 O'clock.

Jun 2 Cloudy & wet. made some shed. hauled some sand. Dug clay etc. in afternoon I tried to collect some money but got little. Sarah & Ridgeway Haines visited us this afternoon glad to have them Do so. cool.

Jun 3 Cloud & cool. ground some Paint and Painted 2 shovel Plows. John Baum came to Buy my 2 year old Steers but thought the Price too high. Ben & Lizzie Jones together with Mrs Root and Ella Jones spent good part of the afternoon with us. Mrs Root is from Oneida New York expects to return this week. cleared off about Dark and is cold had to have fire all Day.

Jun 4 Partially clear with considerable frost can write my name on a board with my finger. got up steam and pumped water from clay hole. some hauled sand others Dug clay. cold all Day. Sold Richard Ramsden a shovel Plow. James Barnaby is to Pay me 4 Dollars for it.

Jun 5 Clear & coolish all Day. put on a small Roof for John Whinny. fit up the wheel for my Brick machine. the hands made Brick this afternoon. still cool.

Jun 6 Cloudy but some warmer. got ready to put on Z Street gravel Roof but at noon commenced Raining so I gave it up. James barnaby Paid me 4 Dollars for R Ramsdon. fit

up Pinion for Brick maker. rained all the afternoon.

Jun 7 Cloud & Raining. Rained all night waters some swollen. Rained constantly all Day or until about 6 O'clock PM. spoiled about 10 thousand Brick for me. I worked in wood shop making wheel Barrow. cleared off about sundown.

Jun 8 Clear & cloudy at intervals with hard showers this afternoon. water high. we all sett Brick to Day. Louis & Henry hauled a load of logs from Ed Holloways to Bore for Pump. Bought 2 Hogs of Eli Davidson for 6 Dollars cheap enough. cool at Dark. Rain is not over yet.

Jun 9 Cloudy & every appearance of Rain. Margaret & I & 3 of the Boys went out to help Raise John Gordons Barn. Rained most of the afternoon. we got wet coming home about Dark.

Jun 10 Cloudy & wet waters very high. Damaged our Brick yard considerable. Rained some through the Day. Ike Taylor visited us in the afternoon. Margaret & called up to Lizzie Jones & took tea. spent the evening very Pleasantly indeed. Mrs Root expects to start home tomorrow.

Jun 11 Cloudy wet & cold all Day. Boring logs & putting in Pump at Brick yard. sett up my Moulder to Day. Joshua Davis Daughter Buried. got a letter from George Hise of California. wrote a letter to John Hise of Ind. cloudy & cool at 9 O'clock PM.

Jun 12 Clear & cloudy at intervals with some frost this morning. took in some Brick & made a Pump or two. cool all Day but no Rain. clear at sundown. Amos Gilbert is with us to night. Joshua

Jun 13 Clear at Daylight with considerable frost clouded up through the Day but at sun Down clear & cool. John Whinney Paid me 15.80 cents owes me one Dollar yet. cleared off our Brick yard ready for action again.

Jun 14 Clear & Pleasant all Day. tried our Moulding Machine Done better but not just right yet. made 4000 Brick. Paid Peter Fisher one Dollar. Margaret was up to Canfield.

Jun 15 Clear all Day. got along well on the Brick yard.

Jun 16 Cloudy & looks like Rain. made over 4 thousand Brick but got them all wet and 8 thousand more with them. hailed some and Rained very hard waters are high and still rising at 8 O'clock.

Jun 17 Cloudy & wet all Day. waters Rained all night. Harriet Dickinson was here all night and Spent the Day with us verry Pleasantly to all Parties. John Deming spent an hour or two with us glad to see our friend Drop in. wrote a letter to George Hise of California. cloudy & wet at Dark.

Jun 18 Cloudy & wet. the Boys stuck up Boards at Schooleys Mill. Louis hauled Poles. sun shone none to Day. no cars the Rail Road Bridges washed away. I worked some at Pump making. cool and Damp at Dark.

Jun 19 Cloudy & cool all Day. made a Pump for the farm & put it in good one. Bought a Barrel of Salt. took in a few Brick. Margaret & Mother Hise was out Father Goulbourns

Jun 20 Clear & cloudy at intervals all Day. Put one half of Zed Streets Gravel Roof on. got up some of our Brick. cool & Pleasant this evening. am some tired.

Jun 21 Partially clear. got up early heat up our Pitch and by noon got the other half of Zed Streets Roof laid & Pitched ready for the Gravel when a sudden Puff of wind came from the North West and Blowed it off. worked very hard all the afternoon to get it on again. finally got it Done about 5 O'clock PM. considerable wind and some Rain at Dark. the Boys made 6 thousand Brick. got 2 of them hacked up and under cover.

Jun 22 Cloudy & wet but cleared off about 6 O'clock PM. worked in shop to Day. Allen Forker Paid me $10.00. Paid 5 of it to Jim Post & 5 to Joel McMillan. Elizabeth Dickinson went home with her Father her school was out to Day.

Jun 23 Still cloudy but no Rain to Day. worked at our Brick Machine. Amos Gilbert spent the night with us. we had a fine chat before retiring.

Jun 24 Cloudy & Dull with no Prospect of clearing off. Amos Gilbert spent morning and evening with us. is going to stay all night.

Jun 25 Cloudy as usual. all Hands worked on the Road until noon when it partially cleared off and we went to moulding but soon it clouded up and Rained a heavy shower and we was forced to knock off. Wm Rey Paid me 5 Dollars on acct. Jo Saxon Paid me 2 75/100 Dollars for Brick. got in 52. I Paid Ben 3 Dollars I owed him for a Pair of Boots. Bought Louis Blane 170 cents worth of shirting at Sheets. Bought a good cheese cost 164 cents.

Jun 26 Partially clear all Day. made 6 Thousand Brick. I repaired up my Brick Moulder. Amos Gilbert Presented me with a Book compiled By Thomas Dilworth one Hundred & 15 years ago. I prize it very much and shall hand it Down to Posterity with a request that it be Preserved.

Jun 27 Partially clear and very Pleasant all Day. made 7500 Brick to Day. tried our Moulder again to Day but it Did not Do well and we abandoned it for the Present. Paid John White 2 Dollars.

Jun 28 Cloudy at sunrise & looked considerable like Rain but cleared off and was an

excellent Day for making Brick got our 8000. everything went right to Day.

Jun 29 Clear & very Pleasant all Day got along well.

Jun 30 Clear & warm all Day. sett Brick only one moulder to Day. the Ballance took in brick. heavy wind and Rain Passed around south east about sun Down. Margaret is poorly. cool & Pleasant.

Jul 1 Clear & very Pleasant. Margaret is better this morning. she & I took s short walk & after breakfast hitched to the Carriage and took a Ride into the country. called on Emily Robinson from there we went to Benj Bown and spent 3 or 4 Hours. Rained and blowed hard about noon. at 4 O'clock we started homeward and called at Father Goulbourns and took supper. got home about sunsett.

Jul 2 Cool & clear. all hands making brick to Day. I made a shovel Plow for Daniel Andrews. Bought 2 shares of Rail Road Stock of Uriah Wilson. Joseph Thomas Paid me 75 cents he owed me for brick. Joseph Barker called in to see us a few minutes. I love Dearly to talk with him.

Jul 3 Clear & fine all the forepart of the Day. at noon commenced clouding up but no rain. took in Brick all Day. at noon took Margaret & Lizzie Dickinson out to joseph barkers to a Pic Nic and Dance. in the evening went over after them at Dark. got home at mid night had a very Pleasant time indeed. 16 years this evening since we were Married.

Jul 4 Clear & warm. all hands idle. I put in a pipe for Edmund Philips Bath House for which he gave me one Dollar. spent the evening at home. met H.C. Wright in the Street glad to see him.

Jul 5 Clear and fine all Day. made 7500 Bricks to Day. Put a tongue in Allen Forkers wagon. sett some Brick etc etc. cool with no signs of rain.

Jul 6 Cloud but Pleasant all Day. made 8000 Brick got along well every way. sett some & dug some clay.

Jul 7 Partially clear & cool all Day. made no Brick to Day but all hands took in & hacked up. Andrew Smith & I put on a gravel Roof for S Chessman.

Jul 8 Clear & Delightful all Day. stuck pretty close to home all Day.

Jul 9 Cloudy & cool. rained a fine shower at noon. John Chessman Paid me 150 Dollars to Day. Paid it to John Fawcett lifted the last note that I owed on my farm. sett Brick all Day. George Flick commenced cutting our grass.

Jul 10 Cloudy & cool. we sett Brick until toward noon when we had a heavy Rain accompanied with hard wind from the South. considerable Damage Done to timber. Paid

a Bill sent to Thomas & Greiner from Philadelphia calling for 19 25/100. I am quite Poorly all Day from having taken a severe cold and at Dark to night Margaret is Poorly also.

Jul 11 Clear & Pleasant all Day. moulded Brick this afternoon. some are getting in our Hay & some of sett Brick. Margret & I are Both better. nothing more to say & will go to Bed.

Jul 12 Cloudy & rather Dull. made Brick until noon when it Rained a hard shower. took in & sett Brick the Ballance of the Day.

Jul 13 Cloudy & Dull but cleared off or Partially so against noon. sett Brick & Moulded some. in the evening Margaret & I took a walk out to the farm. called in to see Sarah McMillan a few minutes. called in to John Whinneyson our return to see Miss Hyat to whose father I went to school the first time. got home a little after 9 O'clock. Moses Townsend called and took supper with us. he gave two valuable Presents the one a chip cut out of an ash tree by a Beaver on the upper Desmoines River in North western Iowa, the other a splinter from the Cedar Post that marks the Resting Place of Sergeant Floyd one of the Louis & Clarks company of Bold adventurers who explored the great North West 51 years ago. his grave is 3 miles Below the mouth of the Big Sioux (sue).

Jul 14 Cloudy with some Rain before breakfast but cleared off very warm at 9 O'clock. we are all engaged in getting our Kiln ready to fire. Margaret went home with the Dickinson Girls and shall be alone and lonesome.

Jul 15 Cloudy with some indications of Rain. got up in good season made a little wheelbarrow for Arthur McMillan. started at 1/2 Past 10 Sis & I out to Dickinsons got Back at Sundown. had a Pleasant visit. Rained some this afternoon is very warm.

Jul 16 Cloudy. sett Brick until 9 O'clock when it commenced Raining hard. Rained until about noon. had cleared off and was very warm all the afternoon and is clear at 9 O'clock. Borrowed fifty Dollars of Amos H Saxon gave him my Due Bill for it. Paid John White ten Dollars.

Jul 17 Clear as a Bell. got our Kiln on fire at noon. clouded up and Rained at 4 O'clock PM. Paid Peter Fisher 8 John Kineman 5 Jim Post 5 and Andrew Smith 2 Dollars. very warm & is fine growing weather as can be.

Jul 18 Clear & warm all Day. our Kiln is Doing well. took Arthur McMillan his wheel Barrow. got 3 loads of Hay in our mow. Paid George Flick 15 Dollars & Delonna 3 & Mary Sharpnack one. Circus & Monagone here to Day.

Jul 19 Cloudy & clear at intervals & very warm. Rained hard about 4 O'clock PM. our Kiln is Doing well.

Jul 20 Cloudy & warm. attended our Kiln all Day. Rained hard at 2 O'clock and is still cloudy at 9. took off 1/2 our shed. Charley Ellum Dug clay to Day. a little cooler and some hopes of less Rain. Nathaniel McCracken Died to Day. Joseph Barker & his so called Servent girl are having a trial to Day and evening. I have not attended having neither time nor Disposition.

Jul 21 Cloud & warm about noon. another hard rain. weather very wet indeed. N McCracken buried to Day

Jul 22 Cloudy & wet all Day.

Jul 23 Cloudy and Drizzling Rain in morning some before Daylight and some after. about 11 O'clock rained hard. backened our Kiln considerable.

Jul 24 Cloudy & wet. Rained hard in afternoon. wood is so wet we can scarcely keep Kiln hot. am getting very tired of wet weather.

Jul 25 Cloudy & threatens Rain. wheat is growing in the shock. all hands digging clay. we shut our Kiln at 2 O'clock A.M. Ezra Wait & Lizzie moved to Warren Trumbull Co O. Rained in afternoon.

Jul 26 Cloudy with some indications of clearing off. Dug clay until about 3 O'clock when it rained a very hard shower could not work any more. Howard Gilbert took tea with us. we made arrangements to go out to Dickinsons on Sunday. Sarah Swaim Died aged 60.

Jul 27 Cloudy & Partially clear at intervals. Rained hard about noon. we Dug what clay we could. put on some shed etc.

Jul 28 Cloudy & Drizzled Rain. Done nothing on our yard nor anywhere else. Delonna took our hired girl home 6 miles east of Columbiana. Howard Gilbert took supper & is with us all night.

Jul 29 Clear & warm. Howard Ike Taylor Margaret Mary Ann & I all went out to Dickinsons had a most glorious time. Rained about 4 O'clock PM. we got home about Dark. chatted until about 11 O'clock PM.

Jul 30 Cloudy Rained considerable through the night. some of our hands stripped our Kiln. I Done nothing. no Rain to Day.

Jul 31 Partially clear no Rain to Day. Moulded 33 hundred Bricks.

Aug 1 Cloudy and looked like Rain but finally cleared off and was fine all Day. made 31 hundred Brick. opened our Kiln.

Aug 2 Clear & warm all Day. Tom Beck left to Day I kept a thin coat and Pantiloons for

1.75 cents he owes me. I perhaps ought to have let him had them. But he is ungrateful in as much as it has Rained over half of the time he has been here he could earn me nothing in a maner until within a Day or two and then to clear out. I consider it mean. sold some Brick. clear at 9 Oclock PM.

Aug 3 Clear & warm. Charles Pidgeon is off__ing for me. made 4 thousand Brick. fine weather. sold some Brick (got Margaret gold spectacles).

Aug 4 A little cloudy early with some indications of Rain. took in some Brick and commenced a new Kiln. Rained some about 4 O'clock. we got our Brick all up that was Dry enough. got me a new suit of clothes of James barnaby cost 4 Dollars. Paid Delonna 3 Dolls. Margaret is unwell to Day. we took a short walk this evening but she felt too miserable to go far, cloudy & looks like Rain at Dark very sultry & warm.

Aug 5 Cloudy & wet. rained hard at 8 O'clock AM and was showery through the Day. spent some time out at Tom Sharp. Margaret is yet quite poorly. cool and about clear at 8 PM.

Aug 6 Cool and very foggy. cleared off fine at noon. made some Brick. commenced hauling Brick to P Evans. Howard Gilbert called in to see us a few minutes.

Aug 7 Clear & coolish for season of the year. hauled 5500 Brick Moulded 8000. Paid Louis Blane 20 Dollars.

Aug 8 Clear & Pleasant. moulded and took in Brick all Day. hacked up some 20 thousand and about the time we got them covered it commenced raining and we were fortunately all Ready for it. Bought 34 Doz oats of Jim Post gave him 31 cents per Doz. Pete went home at noon to take in some Oats. cloudy & cool at Dark.

Aug 9 Cloudy & cool all Day. Dug clay until noon. some hauled Brick. in afternoon mould 1800. quite cool at Dark. hauled in my oats.

Aug 10 Cloudy most of the Day wind blew. Brick Dried fast. some Dug clay others made Brick got along well. Paid John Kineman one Dollar.

Aug 11 Clear and fine got along well on the yard.

Aug 12 Cloudy with a hard Rain about 7 O'clock AM. got wet as a Rat in covering my Brick. Howard Gilbert called in a few minutes. Sarah Galbreath & Magdalen Wilson visited us. I hacked up and covered all the Brick that was Down. looks like Rain at sundown.

Aug 13 Cloudy & clear at intervals with no Rain. all hands Dug clay. in evening attended the Lecture of Mr Wood on Kansas affairs. heard some excellent Music got home late. got a letter from John Hise his son Aaron aged 9 months is Dead. Died on the

9th inst of cholera he was a twin.

Aug 14 Cloudy & Dull. sun shone but little to Day. all Dug clay. Jesse hise got a letter from George Hise of California. Amos Gilbert here to Day.

Aug 15 Partially clear but Pleasant all Day. 2 Moulded to Day. I hauled one load of Sand. clear &and cool at sun Down.

Aug 16 Cloudy & Dull. made about 8 thousand Brick. Rained intolerable hard about 6 O'clock. Drawed 10 Dollars from H Wilson. Bought 1 Barrel flour cost 7 Dollars.

Aug 17 Clear & quite cool all Day. commenced setting our second Kiln to Day but 3 of us worked. hauled 3 thousand Brick to R R for Sharp & Bonsalls. Paid Charles Pidgeon 3 Dollars.

Aug 18 Cleared off cool. hauled 5 thousand Brick to Evans. moulded 7 thousand. Allen Forker and his wife have parted again. she has sued for a Divorce.

Aug 19 Clear & cold quite a frost this morning. edged up 7 thousand Brick. the Campbellites hold their yearly meeting at green to Day. all Salem or there abouts have gone over.

Aug 20 Clear as a bell all Day. made 3400 Brick. George Flick commenced hauling manure. Lizzie Dickinson Returned to go to School.

Aug 21 Clear and Delightful all Day. made about 5 thousand Brick in forenoon and took in 16 thousand in afternoon. but little Prospect of Rain at 8 P.M.

Aug 22 Cloudy & looks like Rain. got in the ballance of our Brick. hauled 8 thousand to P Evans. rained most of the afternoon. Sold Duke my ground hog horse for one Hundred Dollars to Ben Scattergood. I was loth to sell him but he is too light to Do my work.

Aug 23 Cloudy Rained several light showers through the Day. we all sett Brick. nothing special to say.

Aug 24 Partially clear all Day. Settled with Allen Forker he owed me 68.52 cents. Paid me 60 Doll gave his Due Bill for the Ballance. Wm Ray Paid me 3 19/100 Doll. Ben Scattergood me for Duke. I went up to John Carsons and of him I bought a good Draft Horse gave him 130 Dollars for him. Aaron Wilson took me up in his Buggy. he wanted to Sell his mare but Did not. wrote a few lines to John Hise Wm Ray took it to him. Margaret is Packing her trunk to go to Alliance in the morning to attend the Anniversary of the W A S S which commences to morrow. H C Wright took Diner with us.

Aug 25 Clear & warm. made 3500 Brick hauled 1 load of sand and 3500 Brick. Margaret & Sis is up at Alliance I want to go in the morning. Paid Bud Forker 5.00 Doll.

Aug 26 Cloudy & Pleasant all Day. got up at 6 O'clock Saddled my horse and rode him up to Alliance to the Anniversary of the A.A.S.S. had a good time from 3 to 4 thousand Persons in attendance. stopt with Ridgeway Haines found Margaret & Sis there looking for me.

Aug 27 Cloudy & quite cool. got up at 1/2 past 2 O'clock and started for home arrived about Daylight found all right. my new hand came on & offl___ Brick all Day. Margaret & Sis got Back at 6 O'clock PM. hauled Philip Evans 2500 Brick. Settled with John White owed him 7 Dolls.

Aug 28 Clear & cool all Day. all hands at work on the yard. Paid Joel McMillan 20 Dollars Borrowed Money.

Aug 29 Clear as a Bell at sunrise. Dug some clay and took in & sett Brick the Ballance of the Day. a serious accident happened us to Day. a large hack of Brick fell upon Chauncey Flick he was completely covered up but we soon Dug him out and found him very little hurt. his foot some sprained was the most. he fell in a good Position on his hands & knees an attitude in which he was able to bear up the most weight. cloudy at sun down but not much like rain.

Aug 30 Slightly cloudy but good Day to Dry Brick. took in and sett some hacked up etc etc. got Chauncey Flick a Pair of new Boots cost 2.75 at Samuel Trescotts

Aug 31 Clear & warm all Day. hauled 5400 Brick to Sam Chessman. Mother Goulbourn is sick. Margaret went out to see her. I went out in the evening and she rode home behind me on young Mike (our new horse). Paid David Justice 7 Dollars and old Debt that John Hise owed him for Carpenter work at the farm house.

Sep 1 Clear & pleasant all Day. took in and made brick. Settled with Philip Evans he owed and Paid me 104 Dollars. Paid my debts as far as it would go. Lizzie Dickinson was so poorly she went home this evening with her Father. cool at 8 PM.

Sep 2 Cloudy with some Rain last night. all creation is going to Campmeeting. I prefer staying at home. rained considerable through the Day.

Sep 3 Cloudy & wet all Day. shod my horses. hauled 5 hundred Brick to Sharp Davis & Bonsall, 2 loads of Rails to farm. sold Job Hilliard 4 2 year Old steers for 60 Dollars in money & 20 bushels of winter apples. sett brick. still cloudy at bed time.

Sep 4 Cloudy & Dull all Day. some Dug clay some hauled Brick. I worked some in the shop. Settled with Samuel Trescott owed & Paid him 4.67 cents gave him an order to Wilsons. cool enough for fire.

Sep 5 Cloudy & Dull all Day. Dug clay. sold Jerry Bossert 2000 Brick Paid 10 Dollars

for them. I Paid 5 Dollars to Cris Fonding 50 Dollars to Tom Sharpnack. Mrs Brown called Down a few minutes. Margaret & I accompanied her home.

Sep 6 Cleared off and was beautiful most of the Day. moulded 33 hundred Brick. I repaired the feed ____. got 20 bushels of Oats of Martin Gotlip. got it and 7 bushels of Rye chopped together for Horse feed.

Sep 7 Clear & warm all Day. Sett & made Brick. John Bennett Paid me 5.82 cents my share of a overdue note on Sam Waterworth. Bought 1 Barrel of flour of John Thompson cost 6.50.

Sep 8 Clear and quite warm all Day. Dug some clay and some made Brick. John Kineman got angry and quit shall not have him again. Paid him 5 Dollars owe him 14 yet. sold some Brick.

Sep 9 Clear and very Pleasant. Margaret & I got up at Day break and took a very Pleasant walk. about noon Mr & Mrs Gordon came to pay us a visit and a very pleasant one we had. a fine shower of Rain fell about 5 O'clock. cloudy at 7 O'clock PM and very warm.

Sep 10 Cloudy & wet with hard Rain last night. sett Brick all Day. Sold 550 Brick to Jacob Knopp__.

Sep 11 Clear and fine all Day. made some Brick. made a stock Pen at the farm for Straw. George Flick helped me.

Sep 12 Clear and warm most of the Day. sett some Brick. made a Bargain with B B Richard of Alliance to put on a gravel Roof comes to 160 Dollars. he is to pay me one hundred Down the Ballance in 2 months with good security. I sent to Jos Howard & Co of Pitt for the Material. am 42 years old to Day. Margaret & Sis combined and gave me a superb Pair of Slippers worth 3 Dollars they are very pretty and coming from the Source they Do I Prise them highly. Wm Hise took Diner with us. Joseph Painter Paid me 6 Dollars he owed me for Brick. Rained and blew quite hard about 5 O'clock.

Sep 13 Cloudy & wet rained most of the forenoon. cold and Disagreeable. sett Brick and cased at the Kiln. Charles Griffing took Supper with us. went Bail for Herman Post for 30 Dollars Due in 3 mos.

Sep 14 Cloudy & wet. Drizzled Rain some through the Day. finished setting our Kiln and got it nearly Ready to fire. Margaret brot some Peaches from the farm. I Bailed David Woodruff for 5 Hundred Dollars Borrowed of Mr Eldridge late of Baltimore.

Sep 15 Cloudy & Dull all Day foggy until about noon. Paid John Kineman 5 Dollars. finished and sett fire to our Kiln to Day. Peter is absent at Finnon Gants funeral. Wm Hise & Wife took Supper with us.

Sep 16 Clear & fine all Day. stayed close to home all Day. George Forney attended the Kiln. Mrs Church and Sarah Galbreath called in a few minutes. Mrs Brown spent the evening with us she is a very Pleasant little Lady. I accompanied her to her Boarding house and from there I to the Brick Kiln to stay all night.

Sep 17 Clear & cloudy at intervals. got Budd Forker to help us make another Kiln But at noon he had a hevy Rain which Discouraged me so much that I gave up the idea and Discharged all hands except enough to help me Burn. we have had no good weather this Summer.

Sep 18 Cloudy & Dullall Day. our Kiln appears to be Doing well. Rainy at Sunsett. brot some Delightful Peaches from the farm.

Sep 19 Cloudy & Dull rained all night moderately cold with wind in east. our Kiln is Doing well. shed caught fire but we got it out soon. cleared off about sunsett.

Sep 20 Cloudy & cool all Day. Kiln Doing well. brot in 2 bushels of Peaches from the farm. took our ____ And going out to Flicks for them to use. we have no use for them at Present.

Sep 21 Cloudy & Dull all Day. Kirks are threshing our wheat. Pete and I attended the Kiln. about 6 O'clock PM the Rain Poured Down in Torrents Rained no harder this summer. Backened our Kiln very much. got a Pamphlet on a Brick Machine read it with considerable interest.

Sep 22 Cloudy & Dull most of the Day. Kiln is Doing well. finished our wheat had 79 1/2 Bushels to my share. Lizzie Dickinson is withus to night. I wrote a letter to B C Taylor of Dayton Ohio in reference to a Brick Moulder that he sells.

Sep 23 Clear & cool. finished burning our Brick about noon. attended the afternoon Session of the yearly meeting of Friends. Earnestine L Rose Stephen S Foster and some others spoke. Stephen had a meeting in the Town Hall it was full to over flowing. Joseph Barker Defended the Republican party was not very Brilliant in my judgement. Ridgeway Haines & wife & James Doud took Diner with us.

Sep 24 Clear & cool. quite fine weather for the time of year. Done to Day what I never Done before (viz) Borrowed 100 Dollars out of Bank. Joel McMillan endorsed it for me. was up to see Mrs Brown. Cheniel needle work it is beautiful indeed. sent my tools to Alliance want to go in the morning to Put on a gravel Roof. clear as a Bell to night. Rachel Hise is here to night.

Sep 25 Clear as can be. got up at 1/2 past 3 AM and took the 4 O'clock train for Alliance. Stephen S Foster went in the same Car. I was much Pleased with his Company & conversation. Owing to the fact that the carpenterwork was not Done we could Do but

little to Day. I spent the night with Ridgeway Haines.

Sep 26 Cloudy & wet. Rained hard about Daybreak. I got up and started to town got wet on the Road but covered our Paper. wet all the forenoon but at 1 O'clock we commenced & laid a part of it.

Sep 27 Cloudy & so windy could do nothing. concluded to come home. took the 10 O'clock train arrived safe & found all well.

Sep 28 Clear & cool with stiff frost. hauled in 41 Bushels of wheat & Put it in the 3rd Story of Jehu Fawcetts store to Dry. in afternoon went out to see Joel Stratton on Business. came home Past Anna Wilsons she has the Ague. have an invitation to spend the evening at Joseph Barkers in honor of Mrs E L Rose But we shall not go owing to Margarets Poor health at Present.

Sep 29 Clear & warm. took a part of plotting off of our Kiln but I got sick and was forced to quit. Amos Gilbert, Father & Mother Goulbourn & I F Dickinson took Supper with us. Settled with Peter Fisher Paid him 84 Dollars owe him 52 33/100 Dollars yet. went to hear E L Rose Lecture on Womans rights but my head ached so severely that I could not stay with any Satisfaction. got a letter from B C.

Sep 30 Cloudy & wet Rained considerable last night. Amos Gilbert stopped all night. we spent the Day Drawing & making flowers.

Oct 1 Partially clear & cool. opened our Kiln and commenced hauling Brick. Sarah McMillan took Supper with us. Amos Gilbert also.

Oct 2 Cloudy all Day. hauled Brick. Howard Gilbert & Ike Taylor called Down & we played a few games of Ukre.

Oct 3 Cloudy & Dull all Day Rained considerable. hauled Brick. in the evening attended an Anti Slavery meeting addressed by S S Foster and he out Did Foster himself.

Oct 4 Clear & Pleasant all Day. hauled Brick to Chessman. 2 fine oxen were Shipped to Lancaster to Day. they weight 63 and something upwards and sold for 520 Dolls. they were 5 & 6 years old. James M Connell Paid me his 2nd quarter Rent 8 75/100 glad of it.

Oct 5 Cloudy & Dull. hauled Brick until noon. rained all the afternoon. shod our Horses and worked at the lock for our wagon. endorsed a note for George Flick for 23 92/100 to the Estate of Nathaniel M Cracken Deceased.

Oct 6 Cloudy & Dull Rained some most of the Day. Blacksmithed. Daniel Strawn Bought and Paid for 5 thousand Brick to be Delivered to him at 5 Dollars Per thousand. I Paid the Treasurer of the House Fair Committee 7 Dollars a ballance I owed them for Rails. Paid Henry Flick 10.31 for work Done.

Oct 7 Clear & cool. took a walk out to the farm. our wheat looks well. in the evening called in to see Mrs Brown. found her at her work. came home before Dark.

Oct 8 Cloudy & wet at Daylight but soon cleared off. I started at 11 O'clock for Alliance to put on gravel Roof.

Oct 9 10 Clear & Pleasant. worked hard at my Roof got Done on the afternoon of the 10th. got no money but come home on the 6 O'clock train found all well.

Oct 11 Cloudy & threatens rain. attended house fair in forenoon. some good Racking Done. felt too unwell in afternoon.

Oct 12 Cloudy & cold. Rachel Trescott Died last night. attended the fair all Day Paid but poorly. John Sesnia paid me 10 37/100 he owed me. snowed a little and was very Disagreeable all Day.

Oct 13 Cloudy with some snow at Sunrise. got up late slept but poorly. have the jaw ache severely. Reason Bricker paid me 15 Dollars on his rent. I gave it to Henry Flick for his father. Rachel Trescott Buried at 10 O'clock AM. Rained some this afternoon.

Oct 14 Cloudy & Dull all Day. Ike Taylor took Diner with us. chatted some on the Callifornia trip he made one year ago.

Oct 15 Clear & Pleasant all Day. hauled Brick. Republicans have a torch light to night made a grand appearance.

Oct 16 Clear & cloudy at intervals. picked our winter apples and hauled bricks in afternoon. spent the evening at Lizzie Jones. Mr Root arrived there to Day on his way from Iowa.

Oct 17 Clear & cold very frosty. hauled Brick all Day. saw Mr Root off on the western Train at 11 AM.

Oct 18 Clear & pleasant all Day. hauled 1 load of coal for Mrs Post and 3 loads of Sand for ourselves. A Webb Paid me 4 50/100 Doll for Brick.

Oct 19 Clear & warm all Day. hauled Brick. went to John Hilliards and brot home sweet cider & apples for apple Butter. Bought me a Pair of coarse Boots cost 3 25/100. Dr Joseph Stantons Corpse was brot from Akron to Day he having Died there of fevor last night. he will Buried to morrow at 2 O'clock PM.

Oct 20 Clear & fine Indian Sumer weather. hauled Brick all Day. nothing special to Record.

Oct 21 Cloudy & Dull. Boiled Down our cider. Lizzie Dickison called Down & took Supper with. I accompanied her to her Room. rained and Blowed considerable. wrote a letter to Aunt Charity Phillips of Michigan.

Oct 22 Partially clear & cool all Day. hauled Brick out to Tom Sharp. Joseph Barker Jr Paid me 10 Dollars a ballance he owed me for Brick Bought last summer. Margaret & I spent the evening with Lizzie Dickinson.

Oct 23 Cloudy & snowing some at 8 O'clock AM. all hands worked at our apple Butter got it Done by 5 O'clock PM. Howard Galbreath and ike Taylor spent the evening with us.

Oct 24 Clear & cool. hauled Brick. snowed a little through the Day but melted as it fell. got the head ache some.

Oct 25 Cold with ground covered with snow. thawed but little through the Day. Henry Hauled coal & wood and I Done about as near nothing as may be. this evening I have been Drawing some leaves for amusement.

Oct 26 Cold and Blustery all Day. hauled some Brick. snowed some about noon got up Steam and Ran my engine and cleaned and greased it ready for winter. ground frose a little all Day.

Oct 27 Cloudy & some warmer. Henry hauled 70 Bushels of coal to John Whinney. I went to Alliance. Settled with B B Richard & Co. got his note calling for 160 Dollars Due April 1st 1856 with Elisha Teetors Bail.

Oct 28 Clear and windy blowed very hard all night. Father and Mother Goulbourn took Diner & spent the afternoon with us. Mr & Mrs Vickers spent a few minutes in chatting with us. I Put in the evening Drawing crayon sketches. Mary Ann went home with Father Goulbourn.

Oct 29 Clear & Delightful all Day. hauled Brick and cleared up the Kiln.

Oct 30 Cloudy & warmer looks like Rain at 10 O'clock AM but at noon is clear as a Bell and very Pleasant. cleaned up the Brick yard and helped load Brick. Edmund Smith is here to night teaching Phoneticks. Some excitement in regard to a fugitive Slave. the citizens are arming him for Self Defense. I gave what I thought my Share. I am for open hostility.

Oct 31 Cloudy & a little cool with wind in South East but toward noon cleared off and remained very Pleasant all Day. had the head ache so that I was forced to quit work. Elizabeth & Hannah Dickinson took Supper with us.

Nov 1 Cloudy & Drizzled rain a good part of the Day.

Nov 2 Cloudy & wet most of the Day. B C Taylor (Agent for A Halls Patent Brick moulder called on me this morning. we put in the time talking about Buying a Brick machine. he went to Pittsburgh at 11 O'clock. my impression is that I shall buy a machine.

Nov 3 Cloudy & Dull Rained most of the Day. Done but little to Day. Roads getting muddy. Possman Williamson Released.

Nov 4 Cloudy & Dull but no Rain. Margaret & I called on Lizzie Jones a few minutes. Mrs Root & her adopted Daughter are there on a visit. Ben Hawley called in chat awhile Mary Beaumont also. some excitement in town in consequence of 2 infant Skeletons having been found in an old cellar. an inquest is being held over them this afternoon they are Negroes. made a Pencil Sketch to night.

Nov 5 Cloudy all Day. Drizzled rain a little in the afternoon. Boys hauled Brick. I Done but little. made crayon sketch this evening.

Nov 6 Cloudy & warm. Phillip Mathews lathed on put on some of the Plastering. But it rained so hard toward night we was forced to quit. Jo Thomas Paid me 3 Dollars for Brick. I Paid David Kirkbride 250 cents. made a pencil sketch.

Nov 7 Cloudy & wet. Rained the whole Day Done no work in consequence. Settled with Henry Schooley and owed him 85 Dollars quite unexpected but no Doubt but it is all Right. Wm McCleron & Laura ____ married at 9 O'clock AM.

Nov 8 Clear & very warm all Day. Phillip Mathews finished Plastering. I made the mortar. Amos Gilbert is with us to night and a very Pleasant evening chat we have had of it.

Nov 9 Clear & warm all Day. hauled Brick to Tom Sharp. Theodore parker Lectured in Town Hall house crowded. Subject "Progression of mankind".

Nov 10 Clear and a little cooler. hauled Brick. Paid Louis Blane 10 Dollars. Elizabeth Sheets arrived from Ashland this evening.

Nov 11 Clear & Pleasant all Day. Lizzie & Ben Jones with Ella & Mrs Root visited and took tea with us. we was very much gratified with their company. Mrs Root returns home tomorrow. Ella goes with her.

Nov 12 Cloudy & wet. Rained all Day. shod Both of my Horses all around & commenced a new vault for the New Banking house in course of construction by Zadok Street. I omitted to say in the Proper place that Andrew Smolnicker called in last evening & stayed all night with us. he is still bent on holding a world convention to have Roman Catholicism crushed.

Nov 13 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. finished hauling Brick to Tom Sharp. Wm Fawcett Setttled with me owed me 40 Dollars Paid me 22 & gave his Due Bill for 18. Ike Mendenhall gave me his Due Bill for 10 Dollars.

Nov 14 Clear & warm all Day. prepared a place for Sand at 2 of the Foundrys. in afternoon worked at bank Vault. Henry hauled 2 loads of coal to John deming. J W Hawkins of Baltimore Lectured on Temperance in Town hall. Margaret Bought her a Pair of shoes of Stratton & Callahan 1 56/100 Dollars. cloudy at 9 O'clock.

Nov 15 Cloudy & warm a little Rain about 11 O'clock But cleared off & was very fair the Ballance of the Day. Henry & i are working at the vault. Lizzie Dickinson spent the evening with us. Mary McCalla & Old Wm Teegarden were Married this morning. Party at the Forker house.

Nov 16 Cloudy with some Rain last night. worked at our vault. Henry was sick this afternoon. Mary Mendenhall took supper with us. I drawed a Pencil sketch for miss S Beaman who is now teaching _____ work in New Lisbon. some cooler but not going to freese to night.

Nov 17 Cloudy cold & wet. Drizzled Rain all Day. worked on the vault in forenoon. Done nothing the Ballance of the Day.

Nov 18 Partially clear & some cooler but ground not frozen any. spent the forenoon at Tom Sharps Foundry. afternoon at home Doing nothing. cleared off fine at 4 O'clock.

Nov 19 Clear & cool all Day. Henry & I cleaned up our Kiln ground. in the evening Settled with Chessman & Wright they owed & Paid me $306.80 cents. Hannah Strawns Mother Died this morning. Andrew B Smolnecker Lectures in the Town Hall.

Nov 20 Partially clear and some warmer. Done no work to Day. sent 27 Dollars By Mail to Leech McAlpine & Co of pittsburgh. Paid Amos Saxon 50 Dollars of Borrowed Money. Paid a note in Bank of one Hundred Dollars and a Draft of Eighty Dollars from james Howard & Co of Pitt. Margaret has a very sore arm we fear it is the Arysiples setting in.

Nov 21 Cloudy & warmer in the early part of the Day but grows gradually colder through the Day. attended the Funeral of Hannah Lamborn. wrote a letter to Mary Hafley enclosing a Ten Dollar Bill to her to Bear her expenses here. Howard Gilbert & Lizzie Dickinson spent the evening with us and very Pleasantly too. Margaret is better.

Nov 22 Clear & cloudy at intervals. thawed some is pleasant winter weather.

Nov 23 Cloudy with weather about the Same as ever. yesterday Henry hauled coal and I Done but little. made a commencement to finish our Back Porch.

Nov 24 Cloudy & warmer. finished walling up our well and laid the Ballance of the Porch put up the sink and so forth. this afternoon went up to see Vantile Kent McClure, a Boy but 3 years and 5 months old who weighs 116 lb. he is by far the fattest object I ever saw. Sis margaret & Grandmother Hise all Saw him. got a receipt from Leech McAlpine Y Co acknowledging the 27 Dollars I sent them a few Days Since.

Nov 25 Cloudy with cold Rain. got up late after breakfast went to the woods and Dug Rattle Root and Boiled up for my Horse. Ben Jones and Samuel Pennock called in a few minutes the later is from Kennett Square Chester Co Pa. toward evening I took a walk out to Tom Sharps. got in company with Ike Taylor we came round by the Depot and Baptist Burying ground.

Nov 26 Cloudy warm & wet. sent Ten Dollars to the Liberator of Boston Mass. got the Bill of Thomas & Greiner.

Nov 27 Clear & Pleasant all Day. worked at the Vault Cris helped me. all went to a Lecture on humbug was well entertained. Hannah Strawn Lizzie & Harriet Dickinson took Supper with us. Henry hauled Coal.

Nov 28 Cloudy & Pleasant. worked at Vault. Henry hauled coal. nothing special going on.

Nov 29 Cloudy with a little Snow. worked at Vault. Presley Snodgrass and one of Uriah Bulls Sons Died to Day. Henry hauled coal.

Nov 30 Clear & pleasant all Day. I worked on Vault. Henry hauls coal. Presley Snodgrass was Buried at 3 O'clock P.M. got a New york Herald from Oliver Johnson of N.Y. Amos Gilbert took Supper and is going to Stay all night with us. Sam Sharpnack called in and got a Peice of Old Bacon for quinsy.

Dec 1st Clear and quite warm all Day as Pleasant as August. worked on the Vault. Henry helped husk and brot in a load of corn. Paid Jacob Heston 10 Dollars on acct.

Dec 2 Clear and cloudy at intervals but Pleasant. Old Jacob Lutz was Buried to Day. Ike Taylor is here and has a slight Shake of Ague.

Dec 3 Cloudy and some cooler but is Pleasant winter weather. worked at Vault.

Dec 4 Partially clear & Pleasant. collected some money. Henry hauled coal. Margaret Paid Sarah Galbreath 8 Dollars for her Bonnet. Philip Mathews married last evening (Report).

Dec 5-6-7 Clear & Pleasant. collected a little Money and started to Miltonbergers Brick works 50 miles above Pittsburgh on the Youghegany River. arrived at Pitt at 1/2 past on

O'clock. Bought a Bill for iron and then took Passage on the Colean Steam Boat for West Newton 38 miles above Pitt on the Youghageny River arrived there some time in the night. on the next morning I took breakfast with Mr Lowry and at 8 O'clock AM took Passage on the Cars to Miltenbergers. found they had made no Brick. of course I soon got tired of Staying and accordingly I started of on foot up the River a Distance of 9 miles. they make abundance of coke along the River and ship it to Cincinnatti. at Bradford Station I left the Rail Road to the Right and crossed the hills about one mile to the residence of an Old Gentleman with whom I had formed an acquaintence* (while on the Boat). arrived about 1 O'clock and spent the afternoon and evening with him. he showed me over his farm which is a good one and into his coal Bank the vein of which is 14 feet thick. his son came in with a two horse waggon and loaded it up while we were in there. after spending the evening very Pleasantly I took my leave of the family and walked a Distance of one mile over to the village of Connelsville and took lodging for the night at the Walter House. after taking an early Breakfast started back to West Newton on the Cars. took Passage to Pitt on the Same Boat arrived about 1 O'clcock PM. went to see the Brick yards and spent so much time about town that I got to the Rail Road Station too late and was forced to lay over until 9 O'clock in the morning of the 8 at which time I started for home. arrived at 5 O'clock found all well.

Dec 8 Cloudy and some colder. at about 9 O'clock it commenced snowing but soon melted wet all the afternoon. got a letter from B C Taylor of dayton, Ohio.

Dec 9 Cloudy & warm the blowing from South West. J F Dickinson, Lizzie Daniel & Hannah Strawn called and Spent the Day with us. the former has just Returned from Jersey where he had been visiting 2 months. Rained and Hailed considerable in the. all went to the Lecture (Mrs Brown) on Sprituality except Jerry & I.

Dec 10 Cloudy and cold with ground covered with Snow. spent most of the Day uptown. Allen Forker Paid me 8 52/100 Dolls all he owed me. Remained cold all Day. Bought me a gold Pen cost 1.25 I think it a good one.

Dec 11 Cloudy and cold ground frose Solid. Bought Stuff at Z Streets for myself a coat cost 4 18/100 Dolls. Bought 1.14 cents worth of good Beef of him also. John W Fawcett Paid me 8 75/100 Dollars. a little warmer and snowing some at 7 P.M.

Dec 12 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. helped George Flick Put up a good shed to shelter the cattle under at the farm. weather moderated and at 1/2 Past 6 PM commenced Snowing and Bids fair to make Sledding.

Dec 13 Cloudy & snowing fast at noon the ground was covered to the depth of 4 inches. But in the evening it is warm and thawing. Done but little to Day. Henry hauled coal.

Dec 14 Cloudy and warm snow still melting. Painted our Carriage. helped haul the Vault up to Bank. gave Ben Hawley 41 56/100 Dollars to Pay my Tax. James Stanley Paid me 6 Dollars for Brick. Rained all the afternoon But at 8 O'clock PM looks like clearing off.

Josiah Buck (Jeweller) Died at 7 O'clock this morning.

Dec 15 Cloudy and Pleasant all Day. Roads verry muddy. sett up our carriage hooped our meat tubs etc etc. Josiah Buck Buried at 2 O'clock P.M. Amos Gilbert is here and is going to stay all night.

Dec 16 Cloudy with some rain last night. took the Carriage full out to John Gordons and made the wreathe for our Fair. Amos remained at Gordons. we got home at half past 6.

Dec 17 Clear with ground frose hard. George Flick Butchered our hogs. I hauled a load of coal to John Marshall. hauled in our share of the Pork. ground up our knives and on tomorrow want to cut it up.

Dec 18 Partially clear and thawed some but is quite cold. cut up our Hogs and Margaret got all the lard fried out. cut the Sausage 51 lb. Emma Wait Sold my Cincinnatti Ticket for 7 Dollars all it cost me at Pittsburgh. Paid Cris Fording 5 Dollars all I owed him. Hannah Strawn helped Margaret all Day. Henry hauled coal.

Dec 19 Clear & Pleasant all Day. sold some Brick & got the money for them (250 cents). Done but little myself. cold and ground frose hard. got a letter from B C Taylor concerning my Brick Machine.

Dec 20 Clear & cold Roads Rough. Henry hauled coal. I got my Shaft for Tempering took it out to Sharps. Select Ball at the Farquhar House to night. weather a little Moderated. Pork worth 6 1/2 cents per lb. Paid Louis Blane 2 Dollars owe him2 50/100 yet.

Dec 21 Cloudy and much warmer thawed all Day. Several women were here to Day Baking for the Fair. I Bored out a wheel for my Brick yard. got a Letter from Cleveland and answered it to night. Howard Gilbert and Ike Taylor spent the Evening with us. not freesing any to night. Sent a letter to B C Taylor of Dayton.

Dec 22 Cloudy warm & wet. Rained all Day. Roads very Sloppy. Salted my meat. Wm Fawcett Paid me 28 Dollars all he owed me.

Dec 23 Cloudy & Dull changing some colder. we intended to trim the Hall But could not gain Admittance. Lizzie & Hannah Dickinson took Supper with us.

Dec 24 Cloudy & colder ground frose some. trimmed our Hall and opened the Fair. took in considerable.

Dec 25 Cold & ground covered with Snow to the Depth of 2 inches. Fair largely attended. got a letter from Ephraim Murphy of Beaver Co Pa he wants to Buy our House.

Dec 26 Cold with more Snow. Sleighing Pretty good. Kept our Fair open to Day and

Evening I Sold ice Cream. clear & moon light. wrote to Ephraim Murphy telling him what he could Buy our House for. Received a letter from B.C. Taylor of Dayton.

Dec 27 Clear and very cold. helped clear up our Hall. shod our Horses and wrote a letter to B C Taylor of Dayton, Ohio ordered a Brick Machine which is to cost 165 Dollars. some warmer at noon.

Dec 28 Cloudy raw and cold all Day. I hauled coal. Sleighing is Pretty good.

Dec 29 Cloudy and snowing at Daylight. hauled a load of coal to Clark Barnaby. Snowed fast most of the Day. Sleighing first Rate. Bought a new Stove for Sitting Room cost 14 and 50 cents pipe cost 70 cents. Paid 8 Dollars on it am to Pay the Ballance in coal. Wm Campbell Paid 6 50/100 Dollars for Brick. I Paid Timmon Howel 2.80 cents all I owed him.

Dec 30 Cold with more snow. Margaret & Sis went Down to Father Goulbourns on a visit. Delonna took them in the carriage. I Put Down our new carpet and then followed them got back at Sunsett. John Deming spent the evening with us. very cold.

Dec 31 Clear and Pleasant all Day but thawed none. spent the Day fixing up our new Stove changed the Pipe Does better. Collision on the Rail Road one mile west of Darlington (4 Killed & 16 wounded).

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Jan 1 Clear & Pleasant. Settled with Weaver & Butler owed and Paid them 2 31/100 Dollars. Tom Woods Paid me one Dollar he owed me for Bricks. the Fantasticks trained to Day made a Ridiculous Appearance.

Jan 2 Cloudy with mild winter weather. hauled 2 loads of coal. got a letter from John Hise By Joseph Fawcett. Sleighing is still excellent.

Jan 3 Clear and cold. made Patterns for Sled shoes. Repaired up some tools Preparatory to going to work. In the Evening went Sleighing out to J F Dickinsons. Lizzie & Hannah went with us Returned at 1/2 past 12 Midnight. still very cold.

Jan 4 Cloudy and cold. Roads hard and Smooth with excellent Sleighing. worked in shop Rigging up a Sled. Margaret is quite unwell so much so that neither of us shall go to the Lecture to night. (Mr Bradford of Pa) on the Schools and Colleges.

Jan 5 Cloudy wind in the South some little warmer But still very cold. Last night was a very cold night. am too unwell (with a cold) to anything to Day. Sett around the Hotel Fire most of the time. Toward evening Daniel Hafley & I traded Horses a thing I never Done before nor should I now but to get a match. I traded him my Kate Mare that I Raised and am consequently very much attached to her not only on that account but because she is an excellent Mare. But I suppose I am getting a good Horse also. I am to Pay him 10 Dollars to Boot which is only a Bonus given for a Match Horse as Kate is Really worth as much as he is But this is one way the Dancer must Pay the Piper.

Jan 6 Partially clear & cold. Wilson Flick (Georges Son) Died at 1 O'clock this morning he is only about 4 years old has Suffered much with Typhoid Fever and a Brain Disease. Margaret is out there assisting the Neighbors in Performing the Last sad Duties to the Dead. I stalked a Pair of Skates for Joseph Street. Ben Jones Sarah Galbreath and her little Daughter called in but as Margaret was absent they Did not Remain long. So I am here alone jotting it Down. Sun Shines quite Pleasant but thaws none. Sleighing Still excellent.

Jan 7 Cloudy and moderate winter weather. Slipped up for Present on my Horse trade that I made on Saturday last Hafley Declined. attended the funeral of George Flicks Son (Wilson). got my Sled Soles cast 3.64 cents. James Wilson Paid me 2.27 cents for coal. got up Brick Making machine. Snowed hard a good Part of the afternoon.

Jan 8 Clear and Bitter cold all Day. Henry Hauled 2 loads of coal & I worked in shop. Sis is over at Staffords going to Stay all night. Sleighing excellent.

Jan 9 Clear & verry cold. Thermometer Stood at 22 Degrees Below Zero. worked at my Sled. James Boone called Down to buy some coal. coal is in great Demand. Tina

Sharpnack is to Stay all night.

Jan 10 Cloudy & cold But weather is moderating some. got my Sled ready to hitch to. Howard Gilbert spent the Evening with his company is always Desirable.

Jan 11 Clear & cool. went with Henry for a load of coal he took the Sleds. at 11 O'clock Ephraim Murphy came to Buy our House. we after looking everything over carefully made a Bargain. he is to give me 1650 Dollars in Payments as follows 500 on April 1856 500 on April 1857 and the Ballance in 4 anual Payments of equal size all to bear annual interest from April 1856. he Paid 50 Dollars earnest Money. Ben Hawley wrote the Article and we left it with him for Safe Keeping. Amos Gilbert is with us to night. (Margin note: Sold House on East Main St Salem)

Jan 12 Cloudy and moderated considerable. worked Some in the Shop. about 5 O'clock P.M. commenced Snowing. Margaret Sis Lizzie Dickinson Howard Gilbert and Myself went to John Gordons in the Big Sled. Spent the Evening very Pleasantly. Returned at Midnight at which time the snow was still falling.

Jan 13 Cloudy and still snowing at Daylight. Henshilwood and us spent the Day at Tom Sharpnacks. snowed fast all Day. we returned about Dark when the Snow must be 15 inches Deep.

Jan 14 Cloudy & Still snowing some. collected 29 57/100 Dollars of Coal Money of Sharp Davis & Bonsall. No Cars here to Day consequently no Mail Snow too Deep.

Jan 15 Cloudy & some warmer. Henry Hauled coal. I sent Yerkes Howel 20 Dollars. got a Receipt from Steam Furnace Co of Cleveland for 13 89/100 Dollars for wheels. helped George Flick make a Sled.

Jan 16 Cloudy and weather about the Same. helped George Some to Day.

Jan 17 Clear and warm thawed a little. worked some at Gordons Waggon. Paid Louis Blane 2 50/100 Dollars a ballance I owed him. Spent the evening up town.

Jan 18 Clear & warm Snow melted fast to Day but Sleighing is yet good. Henry hauled coal and I worked some at Gordons Waggon.

Jan 19 Cloudy and foggy all Day wind in North and colder than yesterday. Sleighing could not be better. I took a Scholarship in the Albany Manual Labor Universitya Reformatory Colledge in Athens Co Ohio.

Jan 20 Cloudy and colder snowed a good Part of the Day. Margaret & I spent the most of the Day at Marius Robinsons visiting. got home about Dusk. Sleighing excellent. Charles Griffing spent the evening with us. clear and cold at 9 O'clock PM.

Jan 21 Cloudy with fine winter weather snowed a little through the Day. Henry Hauled coal and I spent the Day in idleness. In the evening Mr Swift (Agent of the Albany Manuel Labor University) and I called on Simeon Webb for the purpose of getting him to Subscribe to the funds of the University but he Declined.

Jan 22 Cloudy with weather the Same. Ann Townsend and her Son Dillen Paid us a visit to Day. glad to have them Do So. Mary Hise visited with them. Jesse called Down in the evening. I worked at the Wagon

Jan 23 Cloudy & spitting snow. laid in Bed late. worked all Day at the wagon. Henry got but one load of coal to Day. Lizzie Dickinson took Supper with us. cold as usual.

Jan 24 Clear and Beautiful but thawed but little. worked at my waggon. Father Goulbourn and Family visited us to Day.

Jan 25 Cloudy and weather about the Same. worked at the wagon. sun shone Pleasant all Day thawed a little on the South Side of Buildings.

Jan 26 Clear & very cold Mercury 15 Degrees Below Zero. Sleighing as good as can be. thawed none to Day. (Done Nothing).

Jan 27 Cloudy & very much warmer & snowed some last night and some to Day. we all spent the Day with Mother Hise she had a fine Turkey for Diner. Siste Una & her husband was there Jesse Hise & Wife also. Lizzie Dickinson called Down and chatted awhile this evening. Pleasant out and feels like a Break up.

Jan 28 Cloudy with mild winter weather snowed some to Day. Settled with Doc Stanton he owed me 56 10/100 Dollars Paid me 46 the Ballance I Paid him on account he has against Father Hise not that I considered myself in duty bound to pay it But that I was willing to Do my share towards Paying all his Old Debts. Paid Rittenhouse the 46 Dollars for Louis Blane I owed him fifty Dollars Borrowed money and owe him the Ballance yet.

Jan 29 Cloudy with some more snow. Bored out the Hubs of wagon Ready for the Boxes. attended the Celebration of Thomas Paines Birthday the 119th. James Barnaby & Joseph Barker Both Delivered appropriate addresses. quite a Number were present.

Jan 30 Cloudy & some colder. commenced making the shaft for clay Mill. Henry Hauled coal.

Jan 31 Cloudy & snowed most of the Day. worked at my temporary shaft. got a letter from Wm Hise of Canfield. Alfred Sheets called to See us. we gave Rome (our little Dog).

Feb 1 Cloudy with moderated winter weather. Snow Drifted to Day. worked at Shaft. wrote a letter to Wm Hise. Charles Grizzel called Down to See us he wants to Buy town

Property.

Feb 2 Clear and colder. With Edmunds Phillips Horse I went 16 Miles East to See Lizzie Sensabaugh and engage her to work for us next Sumer she will Do so. got Back in good time was very cold all Day. Henry hauled Manure in the afternoon for Edmund Phillips

Feb 3 Clear and most Damned cold Measuring 10 Degrees Below Zero. John Gordon and Lady Edmond Smith Sarah his wife Deborah Smith (his Neice) Ben Jones Joel & Sarah McMillan all visited and took Diner with us and a Pleasant time we had of it and it is a Remarkable fact that 3 of the Ladies viz Mrs Gordon Deborah Smith and Sarah McMillan are Blind of an eye. it is so Remarkable that I thought Proper to Record it. very cold at Bed time.

Feb 4 Clear at sunrise and very cold. worked at the Foundry. Henry hauled coal. got news to Day of the Election of Banks (of Massachusetts) as Speaker of the House of Representatives after some 140 Ballotings. he is the Republican Candidate.

Feb 5 Clear and cold. worked at the Foundry. Henry hauled coal. Paid Wm Webb 1 50/100 Dollars i owed him for Marton got last fall.

Feb 6 Clear and some little warmer. intended to attend Auction (at Bucks) But was Summoned on a jury at 1 O'clock from which I was not Released until 10 O'clock. came home and found our folks all in Bed.

Feb 7 Cloudy and warmer with a little more snow. wind in South west. attended Auction. in evening we all went to the Panorama. thawed considerable throught the Day. snowed some in afternoon. gave 5 Dollars to Kansas to help the free State Men Defend themselves against the Missouri Ruffians.

Feb 8 Cloudy with moderate winter. Snowed considerable in afternoon. I worked at Foundry & Henry hauled coal. Edmond Phillips Bought David Woodruffs Old Property on North Side of Main St Salem. got a letter from Moses Townsend of Mercer Co Ohio wanting me to go in Partnership and Build a Steam Saw Mill But I cannot Do it. have Business enough on hand already.

Feb 9 Clear and cloudy in fore Part of the Day But snowed occasionally. at about noon cleared off and was quite Pleasant in sun. thawed on the South Side of the Houses considerable this afternoon. I mended a letter Press for Thomas & Greiner (Bankers). gave Thomas Kennett a Lien on Isaac Packer for collection.

Feb 10 Clear and Pleasant all Day. Mary Ann is thirteen years old to Day. Mrs Whinney visited us to Day. the evening Margaret & I spent with Mr & Mrs Vickers on 4th St. Edmund and Sarah Smith came there also and we had a very pleasant time. we found upon Reverting to our Marriages that they all took Place in one year (viz) 1839 and that 4 of our ages was almost the Same and the two others were 34. so Remarkable was it that I

saw Proper to Put it upon Record.

Feb 11 Partially clear and warm looks like Spring is going to thaw fast to Day. Plenty of snow yet. worked most of the Day trying out Sand. commenced snowing about 4 O'clock PM and snowed until bed time. Rebecca Sharp and Henry King is Married this Evening.

Feb 12 Cloudy and considerable colder. Sleighing as good as can be. Rendered out Lard. Henry hauled no coal to Day. John Gordon called Down on Business.

Feb 13 Clear & cold as greenland. Remained so all Day. finished our lard. spent sometime up town. Henry hauled coal to Day. Margaret Bought 2 Table cloths cost one Dollar.

Feb 14 Clear at Sun rise but soon clouded up and Snowed some. John Hise his wife and little Daughter arrived from Jennings Co Ind which took us all by Surprise. John looks poorly. I worked at my one horse waggon. Elizabeth Dickinson took Supper and spent some time with us also. very Pleasant winter weather.

Feb 15 Cloudy & warmer. Bought 12 1/4 lb Sugar of Uriah Wilson cost 10 cents per lb. John Hise and family here to Day. sold some Brick. spent most of the afternoon up town. Abraham Webb (Twin Brother of Isaac) Died about 3 O'clock PM. snowed considerable this afternoon. spent the evening at Jesses.

Feb 16 Cloudy and moderate winter weather. made the gearing of my One horse wagon. Paid Joseph Fawcett 2.48 cents (Auction Bell at Bucks) went in the Evening to hear the Hutchinsons Sing was well Pleased. snow good part of the afternoon and evening But little Prospect of a thaw yet.

Feb 17 Clear and cold. after breakfast took the team and John Hise & wife Margaret Sis & I and two or three others went to Canfield to see Wm Hise and cold tedious time we had of it the was So Deep and Drifted that we could not Drive off of a walk. we started back at 3 O'clock left John at Williams and his Wife at Sharpnacks and the Ballance of us got home about Dark. weather very cold all Day. Abraham Webb Buried this afternoon.

Feb 18 Cloudy and Snowing at 7 O'clock AM. Horses must stay in the Barn to Day. 6 Days shalt thou Labor etc etc I Deem applicable to Horses (and Men whos see fit to adopt it as their Rule of life). But for me I Prefer working Some every Day.

Feb 19 Clear and cold. worked in Shop all Day. Spent the evening up town. Una Sharpnack fell at Mother Hises Kitchen Door and come near Killing herself. But She soon Recovered sufficient to go home. Sledding as good as can be.

Feb 20 Clear and very much warmer thawed considerable to Day. mended a letter Press for Thomas & Greiner they Paid me 1 50/100 Dollars for it. we all went Down and spent

the evening at Thomas Wilsons. John Hise and Wife Sam Sharpnack and Wife. Phebe Henshilwood Mary Hise Mother Hise Margaret Sis and Myself Unkle Silas Howell also. Mother Hises youngest Brother accompanied us he Stayed with Thomas all night. we got Back 1/2 Past 10 PM.

Feb 21 Clear & quite warm all Day snow melted fast But Sleighing still good. worked in Shop most of the Day. Hannah Strawn took Diner with us. Amos Gilbert took Supper and is going to Stay all night with us. freesing some to night.

Feb 22 Clear and warm all Day. Sledding is about Done close to town but I suppose in the Country it is yet Passable. worked in the Shop to Day. Amos tarryed with us to Day. Edmond Phillips Started his Drove to Bucks Co Pa. Henry hauled coal. not freesing much to night.

Feb 23 Cloudy snowed and Rained some through the Day. thawed fast but Sleighing is yet Pretty good in the Country. Henry Coy was Buried this afternoon. His age was 82 years.

Feb 24 Cloudy and some colder thawed very little to Day. Ike Taylor called in this forenoon. in afternoon John Hise his wife Margaret & I went Down to Joel McMillans had a pleasant visit got home at 1/2 Past 7 PM. Spent the Ballance of the evening at Mother Hises. Jesse & his wife were there. freesing some to night.

Feb 25 Cloudy and cold Snowed at 7 O'clock AM. repaired John Dennings Tobacco Knife gave 1.50 cents for it. John his wife and Margaret & Sis went Down to Father Goulbourns. sledding still pretty good. Snowed considerable this afternoon. John & wife are staying with us tonight.

Feb 26 Cloudy with more snow. worked some in Shop. Paid Louis Blane $9.83 all I owed him. thawed some to Day. Settled with E & Fawcett owed and gave them my Due Bill for 204 Dollars. Howard Gilbert and John McCartney Called in awhile. Lizzie Dickinson is going to Stay all night.

Feb 27 Cloudy with more Snow good Sledding. worked some in the Shop. Snowed very fast most of the afternoon. Sister Elizabeths Little Daughter Died this afternoon. It was But 48 Hours Old to be Buried on tomorrow. John Hise and Wife is Down to Abraham Shinns. not freesing any to night. Henry hauled coal.

Feb 28 Cloudy & cold very icy. Bought 2 lots of Jacob Heaton in his Salem Cemetery cost 10 Dollars each one for Erna Wait My Brother in Law and the other for myself & Family. Attended the Funeral this afternoon. Done no work to Day. Cloudy and looks very much like Rain.

Feb 29 Clear at Daylight but clouded up Partially through the Day thawed considerable. I Done nothing to Day. Henry hauled coal. Union School closed to Day.

Mar 1 Cloudy and Snowing at Sunrise and continued all Day. Snowed very fast all Day. I Done but little. John Hises Wife went as far as Alliance on her way Home. John Does not go until Monday.

Mar 2 Cloudy and snowed most of the Day. John Hise spent the Day with us. Jesse Hise was here awhile. Phebe Henshilwood took Diner with us. I spent the Evening at Mother Hises.

Mar 3 Cloudy & cold all Day. snowed a little sleighing as good as can be with quite as much snow as we have had at any one time this winter.

Mar 4 Cloudy windy and warm. Done but little to Day. snow melted fast. John Hise Started home to Day. John Pierpont Lectured his Subject the Scholars hope. clear and as good Sleighing as has been this winter.

Mar 5 Clear most of the Day but wind blew so cold it thawed but little. Paid Joel McMillan 20 Dollars. Reason Bricker Paid me 10 the last he owed me except 2 Dollars and a half which he is to Pay in Bricklaying. Margaret & Spent the evening at Charley Griffings.

Mar 6 Cloudy & cold with wind in South west. But soon changed snowed to the north and Snowed and blowed as hard as at any time this winter. made a Pattern for timing shaft Paddles.

Mar 7 Clear and cold very icy. Done But little to Day. Harriet Dickinson and Mary Gee took Diner with us. Amos Gilbert took Supper and is going to Stay all night. thawed But little to Day. Sleighing is still good.

Mar 8 Cloudy and cold all Day thawed But little. Spent the Day in idleness. Louis Blane & his wife took Supper with us he was married last Sunday. Amos Gilbert has gone to Marlboro.

Mar 9 Cloudy & cold snowing with wind in north. no prospect of a break up yet. it is now within 2 Days of eleven weeks that we have had constant good sleighing and cold weather. visited Edmund and Sarah Smith they are going to Iowa in a few Days. Spent the evening with Ben & Lizzie Jones got home about 10 O'clock PM. very cold.

Mar 10 Clear and cold with Mercury 10 Degrees Below Zero. John Boone Started East with Horses. got 1/2 Dozen Men to help me get a large Stone Sink (or trough) out of the cellar had a hard job of it but we fetched it. thawing none to Day But remained very cold all Day.

Mar 11 Cloudy cold and snowed most of the Day. Done nothing. Henry hauled coal. I sent a letter to E Murphy of Beaver Co Pa. this evening we listened to a Lecture By John

Pierpont on the Golden Calf it was admirable. not so cold at 9 O'clock PM.

Mar 12 Clear and Pleasant all Day. thawed considerable in in the Sun but little anywhere else. collected some coal Money was all I Done to Day. Ike Taylor spent the evening with us. he & I played Ukre & Poker until 10 O'clock PM.

Mar 13 Clear at Sunrise But soon clouded up. thawed some But Sleighing is still good except on Main St. I worked at clay mill. Henry hauled coal. went this evening to See a Panorama which was about the greatest failure I ever saw. one man however Ran a sword that measured 19 5/8 inches in length Down his throat to the hilt. I Drew it out myself and know beyond a Doubt that there was no Deception in it. freesing some to night.

Mar 14 Clear at Sunrise But thickened up and was Kind of hazy and warm all Day. Snow melted fast. Road in Town is Sloppy but in the Country the Sleighing is yet good. not going to freese much to night. Bought me a new Jack Plow cost 85 cents.

Mar 15 Cloudy and cold But moderate and thawed considerable. Road about town very muddy But plenty of snow in the Country. worked at my Cupboard to Day. Paid John Morgan 7 Dollars for a vest I Bought some time Since. clear and Pleasant.

Mar 16 Cloudy and cold snowing some but at 11 O'clock it is moderate and thawing. in afternoon Sun shone out Pleasant. I worked 1/2 of the Day on my cupboard got it pretty well along. Ike Taylor came Down when we all Played some Ukre.

Mar 17 Clear at Sunrise. has all appearance of Being a fine Day. wrote a line to Ephriam Murphy of Beaver Co Pa and one to Joseph Ball one mile East of Salem. worked some in Shop. Henry Shaffer got Bad hurt By one of his Horses.

Mar 18 Clear and moderate Spring weather But the Sleds and Sleighs are still running. Plenty of Snow in the Country. worked at my waggon tire. Cris Kineman helped me. Allen Fairfax and his wife is here they are both fugitive Slaves have Been in Ohio 7 or 8 years. John Whinney Paid me his Coal Bill.

Mar 19 Cloudy and more Snow fell last night. went with Fairfax out to Jacob Painters and sold the latter a Bay Mare for 95 Dollars to be Paid By the first of April next I wrote the Due Bill. Allen & his Wife went home this afternoon with one horse. thawed considerable Roads muddy.

Mar 20 Clear and warm all Day. thawed fast all Day Roads muddy. Henry hung up our hams and Shoulders to Smoke. I worked at my Cupboard. Jacob Farquhar is Married this evening and the Boys are Serenading him.

Mar 21 Clear and very Pleasant all Day. worked some in the Shop. Marius Robinson & I looked over Ben Hawleys Out lots have Some notion of Buying some.

Mar 22 Cloudy and colder ground frose hard But moderated and was quite Pleasant through the Day. Settled with Sharp Davis and Bonsall for the Coal I have hauled them they Did not Pay me will in a few Days. Plenty of Snow yet.

Mar 23 Clear and Delightful the Robbins is here this morning Easter Sunday. Delonna went to Damascus after a little Dog. when he Returned he and Sis took the Carriage and went out to the Farm to get Sugar. Howard Gilbert spent the evening with us very agreeable to all Partakers. wind Blew hard at 9 O'clock P.M.

Mar 24 Cloudy and cold at Daylight But at 7 O'clock AM is clear. Sent a letter to Allen Fairfax of Lima Stark Co Ohio. worked in Shop. Henry moved Reason Bricker and hauled one load of coal.

Mar 25 Cloudy & cold ground frose. Henry hauled coal. I worked in Shop. thawed some Roads are getting Dry. Old Mr Teegarden moved in his house opposite to Day.

Mar 26 Cold and cloudy wind Raw. C.C.S. Griffing Paid me his coal Bill. Deposited 23 Dollars in Bank. Repaired the windows in our house up town. got a letter from John Hise. took my watch up to get it Repaired. Henry is still hauling coal.

Mar 27 Cloudy and cold with ground covered with Snow. Carpenter put in Partition Door. Snowed all Day was very Blustery and cold. Jo Ball Paid me one Hundred Dollars. Took Supper with him he is yet Poorly.

Mar 28 Cold and Snowing. Paid John Fawcett one Hundred Dollars owe him $3 43/100 Dollars yet. Aunt Mary Howel is here was here all night (last night). Henry & I hauled Manure until noon and in afternoon gathered up Boards & Rubbish Preparatory to moving. cold and windy.

Mar 29 Clear & most Damned cold. Repaired our Stove. Henry hauled coal. I Done but little this afternoon. Isaac G Thomas Paid me one Hundred Dollars toward Land he Bought of me 4 years Since. Charles Grisell moved to Town to Day.

Mar 30 Clear and cold all Day. spent most of the Day out at John Gordons. Unkle Silas Howel was there. wrote a letter to John Hise of Jennings Co Ind and one to B C Gilbert of Attwatter Portage Co Ohio. took up 4 gooseberry bushes and 2 Rose Bushes. this is the last Sunday we spend at our old Residence on East Main Street Salem.

Mar 31 Clear and cold ground frose hard. Busy moving to Day. Sent a Certificate of Deposit to Barclay Gilbert for Allen Fairfax. Wm Lease Paid me 10 Dollars on his coal acct. attended Charles Cooks Auction Bought some notions. no rain in March which is unprecedented.

Apr 1 Clear and cold stiff frost no signs of Rain. Moved to Day and for the first time in my life we left a House that we Built in 1840. My Brick Machine came to Day I Paid too

much for it. Staffords moved to Pitt to Day Little Florine was very loath to go. Murphy (the man That Bought our House came in on the 6 O'clock train. Paid George Flick 27 Dol.

Apr 2 Cloudy and warm. Drizzled Rain some Part of the Day. Busy Painting all Day. Allen Fairfax Returned the Certificate I sent him he Did not use it wants to move into this neighborhood. Paid the freight on my Brick Machine 3 91/100 Dollars. (Henry hauled for Murphy).

Apr 3 Cloudy warm and wet. Painted at Our House. Henry hauled coal. Bought Paper for our Rooms and trimmed Ready for operation. Dark and wet at nine O'clock. got a Barrel of Crakers of Charles Cook.

Apr 4 Cloud and a little cooler. Papered our Sitting Room. Ephraim Murphy Paid me 450 Dollars all of the first Payment. Loaned Joel McMillan 500 Dollars he gives me 8 per cent interest. our new Neighbors call in to See us. Henry hauled coal.

Apr 5 Cloudy & cool ground frose a little. cleaned up our Lot. Painted Parlor etc etc. Doe Brooke called in to See us as Did several of our Friends. Delonna has gone Down below Columbiana after Elizabeth Sensabaugh our Female helper.

Apr 6 Clear and very Pleasant all Day. spent the Day in strolling around. Delonna Returned this afternoon Bringing Lizzie with him. Ben & Lizzie Jones called in this evening and spent a few minutes with us after which I wrote two letters one to B C Taylor of Dayton O the other to Elisha Teeters of Alliance Stark Co O and as I have nothing more to Say will Retire for the night.

Apr 7 Clear and very warm and Pleasant all Day. Papered our Parlor. Henry hauled coal & stone. Some talk of Selling my Brick yard and fixtures. Allen Forker Bought Edmund Phillips Barn gave him 925 Dollars.

Apr 8 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. mud about Town is all gone. was out to the farm. Henry & George were Plowing Sod. Paid Jacob Heaton 20 Dollars. got our Parlor fixed up it looks quite snug.

Apr 9 Clear and warm. worked at Zed Streets vault want to finish it now commenced it last fall. collected some coal money. Put up mantle in our Parlor. Sarah Sharp and Ben Antrim Started East of the mountains this evening. the Passenger Train West had 2 Locomotives 4 Baggage and 15 Passenger Cars.

Apr 10 Clear cool and Pleasant through the Day. Wm Smith and I worked at the vault to Day. Settled with Yerkes Howel Paid him one Hundred and sixteen Dollars owe him 82 Dollars yet for coal. several of our friends called on us to Day.

Apr 11 Clear and cloudy at intervals. hoisted up the girders of our House. sett up

Bedsteads cleared up Bed rooms etc etc. clouded up toward night. at 6 O'clock PM commenced Raining moderately and at 9 is Raining faster. one very hard clap of thunder for the first. warm growing weather.

Apr 12 Clear and Pleasant. sett up the Ballance of our Beds and at 11 O'clock Started and went to Alliance to collect some Money But got none. Bought 11 13/100 Dollars worth of Leather of Richard the man that owes me. was up to See Ridgeway Haines and 20 minutes Past 5 O'clock got into the Cars to come home. was only just Seated when a perfect Tornado Swept By Demolishing and unroofing Houses. I saw 3 of the Largest Houses in the place 2 unroofed and Blowed off Down to the ground and one entirely Destroyed. no Doubt many lives were lost But the Cars started immediately after to Storm Passed and I was unable to learn the amount of Damage Done. had a Tedious time coming home so much Timber having blown across the Track. arrived at home after 5 Hours elapsed and found all well But too late at night to learn the extent of Damage Done to Salem. will leave that for tomorrow. as it will be Sunday I can look it up.

Apr 13 Clear and cool. Been Busy all Day looking at the Ruins of yesterdays Storm which is much worse than was anticipated. about all the good Timber in the Neighborhood is Blown Down. all of mine that is very valuable is Down. Wm Pidgeons 3 story Brick House on Lisbon Street has the upper Story off and Lotty Castlebury Wms Wife and child only a few Hours old and a Miss Negus was Buried in the Ruins But Strange to tell they were all got out without being seriously injured. all the Barns in the neighborhood is Demolished. Phillip Evans crushed one cow in the fall. Robert Tolertons Buried several But they were all got out with Some Bruises. John Pennocks was entirely Destroyed Burying 4 of his Horses But they were all got out alive. Israel Barber fared the worst of any yet heard of. his Barn was Blown Down and caught fire from a Sugar Boiling that was to windward of it. and of course everything including a large amount of grain and some valuable Horses is said to have Perished in the Ruins. at Alliance the Storm was more Severe than was known here until to Day. one Man lost his life By the falling of the gable end of a large Brick House. several Horses were Destroyed.

Apr 14 Cloud and coolish. gathered up my shed Boards they were very much Split up. Sent 4 Bags of Wheat out to Bonds Mill to get floured. went to the farm and helped Build up the fences. from there went Down to Schooleys Mill. got home quite wet Rained some good part of the afternoon. Mary Hise visited and took Supper with us. Jane and Isaac Trescott spent a part of the evening with us. Jane Paid her coal Bill 4 55/100 Dollars. Drizzling Rain at 8 O'clock PM. Allen Fairfax Deposited 50 Dollars with me for which I pay him 6 Percent per annum. Paid John McCalla 28 57/100 Dollars.

Apr 15 Cloudy Rained some in forenoon. hauled a load of Scantling from Schooleys Mill. made a Harness for Don Hafley. Paid Henry Ritzell 14 50/100 Dollars. very fine growing weather.

Apr 16 Clear and very Pleasant all Day. finished myHarrow. Brot home 2 Barrels of Flour. worked some at Streets vault.

Apr 17 Cloud with some Rain last night. got up in good time Done some work for ben Jones and after Breakfast went at Streets vault again and got it about finished. Paid Charles Cook 4 92/100 Dollars for goods Bought at Auction. got a letter from B.C. Taylor of Dayton O.

Apr 18 Clear & coolish but Still Pleasant. finished the vault and Dug holes for Evergreens in the Dooryard at the farm. Sold 6 Hundred Brick. Wm Fawcett called in this evening to Borrow a wheel Barrow and spent some time in talking about the early settlement of the Place etc etc. George Flick sowed his oats and harrowed it in.

Apr 19 Cloudy and cool. got up early and went with Mark Bonsall out to his Nursery and got 6 fine ever green trees and sett them out at the farm. Margaret went with me we took Diner with Flicks after which we walked over our Ruined woodland. Bought 1 25/100 Doll worth of Sugar. Abel Phillips Starts East with Horses. James Phillip Returned this evening he has been Down with horses also. wrote a Deed for John Dixon and myself. Rained most of the afternoon. Howard Gilbert spent the evening with us. cool all Day.

Apr 20 Cloudy & cool all Day. got up early went out to David Fawcetts thicket in search of small Sugar trees found plenty of them. was out to Sharps Foundry. Margaret and Sis was out to Aunt Janes got Back in good time. Tom Sharp went to farm with me to Select a Place Suitable to Set my Saw mill that contemplate Building. Bought some cut Stone of me. Mary Sharpnack is with us to night. wind Blows hard and cold from the North.

Apr 21 Cloudy windy and cold. snowed and Rained turn about all Day. Sold Tom Sharp 5 good large cut Stone to make foundation on which to set his large Lathe. Bought one of them of Uriah Wilson. I made Mother Hise a Small out House and Henry Flick hauled 510 feet of fence Boards from Tom Meads Mill. Lizzie Dickinson took Diner with us. Calvin Moore advanced me 70 Dollars on a lot of Brick that I am to furnish him as Soon as we can get them made. Am Paying him 7 per cent until the Bricks are Delivered. cold and Raw at Bed time.

Apr 22 Cold and Snowing fast with 3 inches already Down and from the way it falls as I write will be a foot Deep before night. I had hoped to have Done something on the Brick yard this week but there is no chance for that now. collected some money. Deposited one hundred Dollars with Thomas & Greiner. Paid John Kidd 3 90/100 Dollars. Done no work to Day. cleared off about noon and remained warm and pleasant all Day. roads sloppy in consequence of the snow melting.

Apr 23 Partially clear and quite warm all Day. Peter Fisher commenced work to Day. he & Henry hauled wood off Murphys Lot in forenoon. in afternoon we all three went Down to David Fawcetts Thicket and got 20 young Sugar Trees and sett out 16 of them at the farm and 4 of them at Mother Hises. James Doud called in to Day. I gave him a note on Benjamin Rickard (with Elish Teetors Security) Calling for 160 Dollars with a credit of 11

15/100 Dolls on the Back. for collection he is to have the use of it 2 months if he wishes. gave John Dixon the Deed for his lot he Bought containing 1/3 of an Acre more or less. Dark and warm looks like Rain. Allen Forker Sold the Farquhar House for Six thousand Dollars to a man by the name of Hilliard (well Sold). Hamilton Howell is here Playing on Henry Boones Violin he improves Smartly. Mary Ann (our Daughter) is at Canfield went up in the Hack to Day.

Apr 24 Cloudy with a little Rain through the Day. Peter Henry & I worked at line fence all Day Between Murphy & I. got it about Done. hired John Kineman for 15 Dollars per month he is to come monday next.

Apr 25 Cloudy and warm at Sunrise. got up early and enjoyed the fresh air. Birds are singing sweetly. finished up our fencing. moved and piled up some wood. Dug up and sett out about 60 trees (Locust) at the farm. Bought 9 Bushels of Potatoes cost 45 cents per Bushel. a little cool to night.

Apr 26 Partially clear and very Pleasant all Day. we tore Down our Brick Shed and sett in all the forks ready to put it up again got along fine. Sis got Back from Canfield. Rachel Hise came with her. looks like Rain at Bedtime.

Apr 27 Partially clear warm and Pleasant. got up before Sunrise. Margaret & I took a walk which proved a very Pleasant one. Returned before 6 O'clock when Ike Taylor and I went to the farm and looked things over. Both of us was Ready for Breakfast when we Returned. I Put a new top on our kitchen Table and covered it with Oil cloth which made a capital job of it. Margaret Sis and Aunt Rachel Hise went out to Father Goulbourns took Mike and the Carriage. he is completely Safe for a Woman to Drive. Tom Sharp Mr Henry King (his Son in law) Milton Davis and Alonzo Sharp called in and Spent an hour very Satisfactory to all hands. some prospects of Rain to night. wrote a letter to b C Taylor he is to be in Alliance on the Morrow. (will now Retire).

Apr 28 Clear windy and very Pleasant. John Kineman Wm H H White Sylvester Irvin all three commenced work to Day. Henry plowed our truck Patch and a small piece for Murphy. got along well on the Brick yard. sent Fido our Dog up to Canfield with Rachel hise.

Apr 29 Clear and warm all Day. got along well on the yard to Day. Henry Planted our Potatoes and sowed some Oats. David painter Paid me 6 Dollars all he owed me. got a letter from B C Taylor he is now at Alliance.

Apr 30 Some cloudy and quite Pleasant. Drained our Brick Pond. Henry hauled Manure and spread it on our Meadow. we spaded our garden and sett out some Onions. some Rain about 5 O'clock PM.

May 1 Some cloudy cool and windy blew strong all the forepart of the Day from South East. Dug clay until 4 O'clock PM when it commenced Raining. Rained hard and

remained cool. Sold our Cow (Bloss) to Wm Lease for 22 Dollars.

May 2 Cloudy with heavy Rain last night. got axes and all hands went out to the farm to get timber for Stable and cart Rail timber. got Telegraphic Dispatch from B. C. Taylor at Alliance wanting me to come up and see him make Brick. we left of chopping at noon. some Built Sheds others hauled straw and I start for Alliance on the 6 O'clock Train. Bought 2 Red Cedar Buckets of Chessman at the Depot before starting and leave them until I Return.

May 3 Cloudy and wet. am at Ridgeway Haines having come here last evening. when I arrived he was absent fishing But soon Returned having found the water to high from the Recent Rains. had a fine evening talk with John Hains of Belmont Co Ohio who was one of the early Settlers of Salem vicinity having arrived here in 1803 from New Jersey. went late to Bed but Slept the Better for that. got up late and after Breakfast Ridgeway and I went to Gaskills Brick yard to witness the operation of Alfred Halls Brick Moulder which performed well. after Moulding a few Brick Taylor and I came to the Station at noon. he left for Dayton O without he and I coming to any Definite conclusion about my Machine. I think I shall continue it a 6 Bricker as I like it much the Best. I took Diner with Aaron Foggs Widow having accidently called in about Diner time to see James Doud with whom I had some Business of a Pecuniary nature. Mrs Doud was there also. James is Administrator of the Estate of Aaron Fogg Esq. the Appraisers were there to up their work. spent all the afternoon in waiting for the Cars which to me is very hard work. I would much Rather have Mauled Rails But at 1/2 past 5 the Cars arrived and we were soon underway toward Home (ah the sweetness there is in that word). arrived in Salem in 25 minutes from Alliance. called and got my Cedar Buckets and Repaired as quick as Possible to our Home on Lisbon St where I found all well and engaged in eating Supper. I of course took a hand as I Play that game admirably. Miss Harriet Heaton and Miss Louisa Chaney (of Allen Co O) were with us having spent a portion of the afternoon visiting. John Johnson Returned from Iowa where he had Been on a tour of 2 weeks. cool at Bed time.

May 4 Clear and cool with Plenty of mud. walked Down to Jesse Hawleys. called to see Emly Robinson a few minutes. from there went Down to see John Youngs saw mill frame would like to Buy it. came back by way of Joel McMillans ate a couple of excellent Bellflower apples. came up to George Flicks got there just in time see their infant Daughter expire the first I knew of its illness. was ailing but about 12 hours. got home at 3 O'clock. found Mrs Bown here But she Did not Stay long called on Business. Anthony Gongway called in to see if I wanted a Brick Moulder from Stark Co O But I am Supplied. Sarah Ann and Emma Murphy took Supper with us after which I took a nap of sleep from which I awakened to go to Bed.

May 5 Clear and cold with stiff frost last night. Dipped water and Dug clay got along well. attended the funeral of Flicks Infant Daughter at 4 O'clock PM after which I Done but little.

May 6 Cloudy cold and windy. all Hands Dug clay until noon when it commenced Raining and continued until night. cold all Day. Louis Blane commenced.

May 7 Cloudy and cold. hewed timber until noon. rained some about 3 O'clock. we went to the House During the Shower. J F Dickinson took Diner with us. Settled and Paid me for stone and coal $9 23/100 Dollars. cold and wet.

May 8 Cloudy and wet. all hands hewed timber until noon and Dug clay in afternoon. Bought 10 Bushel Potatoes of John Deming cost 50 cents per Bushel.

May 9 Cloudy & cool Dug clay until noon. Rained most of the afternoon. hauled stone Brick & timber. gave Ike Thomas a Bill for Lumber for Kitchen. Roads muddy.

May 10 Cloudy and cold. all hands Dug clay. cleared off and was Pleasant good part of the Day. Ike Taylor called in this morning and we made an appointment to go to John Gordons on tomorrow.

May 11 Clear and Pleasant got up before Sunrise. Margaret & I took a walk out to the Farm. very Pleasant. after Breakfast hitched to the Carriage and went out to Mr Gordons Ike Taylor was there and came home with us. had a glorious time of it. got home about Sunsett found all well. Bought an orchard lot of Wm Pidgeon adjoining the Brick yard. gave 2 Shares of O. & P.R.R. Stock and twenty five Dollars for it.

May 12 Clear and Pleasant all Day. some Dug Clay. Henry hauled lumber Peter John & I Dug Sand. Brought our Cows in to night Put them in the little Orchard. Sis is writing a letter to Florine Stafford of Pittsburgh.

May 13 Clear and Pleasant all Day. got about Ready to Mould. Henry & Sylvester hauled our Sand up the Hill & 2 loads home. Margaret & Mother Hise visited at Joseph Balls this afternoon for the first time was very much Pleased indeed. Henry Schooley got Bad hurt sawing Shingles with his Burr Saw. one caught against the Saw and was Driven with such force as to cut his nose completely in two.

May 14 Cloudy and looks like for Rain. got Ready and commenced Moulding Brick for the first this Season. I commenced to Put up the Brick Machine want to make by Machinery as soon as Possible. Rained hard before night. Amos Gilbert is here once more and I am Rejoiced to see him. he stays all night.

May 15 Cloudy But no Rain through the night. hewed timber until noon. moulded Brick this afternoon. got W. H. White a Pair of Boots of Bean cost 2 50/100 Dollars. Amos Gilbert is at my elbow as I write. Clear and quite warm. at 8 O'clock a heavy thunder Storm Rained hard.

May 16 Cloudy and wet. all Hands Peeled Bark got Done before night. worked a little on the yard. Read the Testimoney given on the Kansas Election. Frauds and frauds they

were sure enough.

May 17 Cloudy & cool with a little Rain last night. worked at Soak Pit for Brick Machine and righted up Burning Shed. Rained hard in afterpart of the Day.

May 18 Cloudy and wet Rained all night from appearances this morning. Poor Showing for Brick making thus far at 11 O'clock. John Gordon & Lady called with their Carriage and Margaret Sis & I accompanied them to Benjamin Bowns had a very Pleasant visit. Returned about Sundown. leared on arriving that Kate (our Mare) had a foal. went out to see it But was too Dark to tell much about it.

May 19 Cloudy and wet heavy mist falling. hewed timber until noon at which time the Sky is clearing off. moulded 2 Thousand Brick. Settled with Sharp Davis & Bonsall they owed and Paid me 24 50/100 Dollars. Paid ten of it to Mr Bean for Shoe Bill gave margaret 5 Dollars of it have the Ballance yet. Read the Pittsburgh Gazette interesting just now on account of the news from Kansas. Clear as a Bell at 8 O'clock PM.

May 20 Clear and Delightful all Day. got along well on the yard to Day. hired Jacob Forker to haul 2 sills in gave him 37 1/2 cents for it cheap enough. Paid Livvie 3 Dollars. Bought 2 Dollars worth of Coffee & Sugar. commenced the foundation of our new cook House. Mary Beaumont & Phebe Henshilwood took tea with us.

May 21 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. all goes right on the Brick yard. Jacob Weaver is Building my stack up again want to get up Steam soon. Bought 1 Dollars worth of good Beef. Paid Isaac Saxon 4 23/100 cents all I owed him. Debrah Fawcett Hays called in and spent a short time very agreeable to all. quite cool at 9 O'clock.

May 22 Clear and frosty. got up by Day Break took in some Brick. heard with great Delight that George Hise was in Philadelphia on his way Back from California will be home tomorrow. got our Stack up But in less than one hour it was Down again with a crash Spoiling in its fall 2 Thousand green Brick. we commenced immediately to Rebuild it (will never Do to give it so Mr Brown). Sarah McMillan called in awhile with Joel and Arthur. Jacob Weaver Played the Violin some But the String Broke in the midst of his Playing and of course put a stop to it. got a letter from John Hise.

May 23 Clear & hot. got our Stack almost up again. everything went right on the yard to Day. Bought 15 hundred Shingles (Pine) cost 2.75 cents per thousand. looks a little like rain to night. looked some for George to Day But he Did not arrive.

May 24 Clear and Pleasant. got up at 1/2 past 3 AM went Down to Depot at 4 in hopes of meeting Brother George But it was a freight Train. came Back and wheeled in Brick until Sunrise. got along well on the yard took in all that was Dry and Hacked and covered the Ballance. went to Depot at 11 O'clock. met George there he is well. he & I took Diner with Mother Hise. Rained at 6 O'clock PM. a great many called to see George.

May 25 Clear & cold north wind all Day. Rain is over at Present. George Hise & I took a walk over the farm. Father & Mother Goulbourn took Diner with us Unkle Silas also. altered and ironed a Pair of Brick moulds. George has gone out to Sharpnacks. I fear we shall have frost to night. we have got a good fire made up.

May 26 Clear & cold. 2 set of hands moulding to Day. I Laid the foundation of our Kitchen got the Sils and joice on. worked some at the tempering shaft. Drew five Dollars of Mrs Lease. got Sylvester Irvin a Pair of Slippers.

May 27 Clear and cool. made Brick until noon. Margaret Mother Hise and Sis went up to Canfield took Mike. at noon commenced Raining. George Hise came Down with Margaret Mother & Sis. Don Strawn Paid me 7 89/100 Dollars. Carpenters Raised our Kitchen to Day. commenced Setting our Kiln. Cloudy and Dark at 9 O'clock.

May 28 Cloudy wet & cold. sett all our Brick that is Dry enough. made shed over Engine & etc. hauled some wood over. took the last of our wheat to mill. George Hise washed out some gold from Black Sand he brot with him from Rough & Ready California. gave me the Purse he Brot his Dust in. Partially clear at Sundown.

May 29 Cloudy cold and wet all Day. got But little Done on our yard. spent the evening at Mother Hises with George & others. Partially clear and cold at 9 PM. Mary Henshilwood Robts Daughter Died this morning.

May 30 Cloudy & cold snowed and Blowed from the north west. hewed timber. B.C. Taylor called on me to Day. I Paid him 50 Dollars gave him my note Payable in Bank for 115 Dolars 90 Days after Date. lent John Deming 50 Dollars. clear and cold at Bedtime. Ike Taylor is here this evening.

May 31 Clear & cold ground frose and some ice. fruit I fear is all Killed. made 7000 Brick. Paid Louis Blane 3 Dollars. Lizzie Sensabugher gone home took Mike and Buggy Be Back tomorrow.

Jun 1 Cloudy with no frost this morning. want to make a gate to Day got it Done. Margaret & I called up to see Lizzie Jones But Did not Stay long. Joel Bonsall called and spent the evening with us. Mrs Curry Died.

Jun 2 Partially clear and warm all Day. hung my front gate. W H White one of our offbearers failed to make his appearance. went to Albany to hire another but could not get one. But one moulder at work to Day. got a letter from Ridgeway Haines. Margaret visited at Murphys I took Supper with them. took in 12000 Brick.

Jun 3 Clear and warm all Day. made 8000 Bricks. I worked at Shop in forenoon. James McGee Paid me 5 Dollars for Tan Bark. he Paid George Flick 4 Dollars for hauling it. he owes me 8 80/100 Doll yet. Paid John Kineman and Louis Blane 5 Dollars each and Peter Fisher 3 Dollars. Paid Edward (a fugitive Slave 75 cents for a Days work.

Jun 4 Clear and very warm. all hands worked until noon when some Knocked off to go to the Show (Brown Circus). the Ballance (3 of us took in Brick. a little before night we had a heavy Rain from the north spoiled about 2500 Brick. Paid Sylvester five Dollars and W H White 5 Dollars.

Jun 5 Partially clear and verry warm until evening when it growed cooler. made one thousand Brick but looked so much like rain we quit and took in what was Dry. Louis Blane helped George Flick Replant his corn. Margaret & Sis walked Down to Father Goulbourns and Back.

Jun 6 Cloudy and warm looks like Raining. got up by Daybreak. sett some Brick. worked some on the Brick Machine got it nearly Ready to run. Great Pic Nic on the Mahoning George Hise was at it. Peter made 1000 Brick. Howard Gilbert spent the evening with us.

Jun 7 Cloudy with appearance of Rain. Both moulders worked until it commenced Raining which was between 9 & 10 AM. took in & sett Brick the ballance of the Day. in afternoon Henry Flick & I went to Tom Meads and Brot in 6 Hundred feet of Boards. when half way Home a heavy Rain & Hail storm arose from the South west. hail fell 2 1/2 inches in Diameter. I measured one of that size. we got our Horses into James Reeds Stable in time to Shelter them from the Pelting of the Hail. Paid Louis Blane 6 Dollars.

Jun 8 Partially clear. walked out to the farm before Diner. concluded to take Kate (Mare) Down to Unity to the Tuckyhoe. started at 2 O'clock PM took one along for james Catell. rained a little before I got there arrived about Sunsett. stopped with Mr King the owner of the Horse.

Jun 9 Clear and cool. got up early and walked out to see our Mares found them all Right. I left them Both behind came home on the 4 O'clock Train of cars found all hands at work on the yard. clouded up some through the Day and is still so as I write.

Jun 10 Clear all Day. made 8 thousand Brick. I was forced to temper as Henry Flick has a sore hand. Paid Louis Blane 5 Dollars. George Sheets got Back to Day he has Been Down in Kentucky with Carriages.

Jun 11 Clear and warm all Day. made 8000 Brick took some. Bought 3 Bushels of Dried Apples and 5 Bushels of Oats. Margaret Mother Hise and George Hise was out to Robt Campbells visiting to Day. tooth ache like Hell.

Jun 12 Clear and warm. slept none last night tooth ached all night. am too Dull to work much. George Hise took in some Brick for me. at noon commenced clouding up all hands went to taking care of the Brick. got all up that was Dry enough to handle. Sold a note to T.C. Boone on BB Richard and Co. with Elisha Teetors Bail on it calling for one hundred and Sixty Dollars with a credit on the Back of 51 13/100 Doll for one Hundred

Dollars was both to be shared so. hard but it was the best I could Do. Rained some. George Hise & I played cards. Mary Norris and Ike Taylor spent some time very agreeable to us. cleared up before sunsett.

Jun 13 Clear and cool. Done nothing on the yard to Day. all hands gone to the Show (Van Amburgh). I went to see a Mexican Indian who is but 17 years of age is 7 feet 6 inches in his Mockisons and weighs 386 lbs. he measures 4 feet 6 inches around the Breast I measured him myself. clouded up and Rained a little in the afterpart of the Day. cool at sun Down. moved the stove into our new Kitchen. daniel Andrews Paid me 4 Dollars he had owed me almost one year. attended a Party at Jane E Jones where about Seventy Persons were Present. Some Danced and others looked on But I Done neither. I have no taste for such Dancing it Rather annoys me than otherwise. came home about 11 O'clock PM.

Jun 14 Clear at Sunrise but soon clouded up and remained cloudy & cold all Day. we took and sett what Brick was Dry enough and Built some of the wall around the Kiln. Mr Walker of Wellsville came over with Ephraim Murphy to look at my Brick machine. while I was showing the former how it operated the caught his thumb under one of the Pinions by which he was Relieved of the nail in Double quick time. I felt Badly about it But it ws one of those accidents that no one in Particular are Responsible for. I trust it will soon get well. Howard Gilbert spent the evening very Pleasantly with us. we are always glad to see him. he is one of our Particular friends.

Jun 15 Cloudy & cool. made Putty and Done some glazing. Joel McMillan and family visited us this afternoon very Pleasant visit. cool all Day. Kept up fire most of the time.

Jun 16 Clear & cool Pleasant Day for work. made 7500 Brick. I was forced to offbear some of them myself. our Irishman is about caving in.

Jun 17 But Partially clear. got up early and went out to David Fawcetts. got a Horse with which to grind clay. took in Brick until noon when it clouded up and all hands went to work to Putting up what we had. got all up and all the Dry ones under the Shed. at three O'clock I went to a Law Suit in which T.C. Boone was Plaintiff and B.B. Richard & Co were Defendents. I was Deeply interested in the mater as I had sold the note to the former and the Latter tried to show that I had never given value. therefore they Ressisted payment but to no Purpose. they talk of appealing But I guess that is all ____. Rained a little is very cloudy and still at 9 O'clock. wind Blew strong from South most of the Day. Paid Louis 2 Dollars.

Jun 18 Cloudy all Day. some Dug clay. Louis & I worked in the Shop. hooped 10 wagon wheels. Margaret is poorly with a severe Pain her Breast. Partially clear to night. Henry hauled Sand.

Jun 19 Cloudy and very foggy. sett Brick until Breakfast. Peter and his gang moulded. Louis & I worked in the Shop. cleared off at 9 O'clock and was a fine Day. Our Irishman

Mike caved in to Day. I am now out of a hand again.

Jun 20 Clear and very warm all Day. offbore Brick 4000 got Done at 2 O'clock. am not much tired. George & I went out to See Tom Sharps Engine Manufacturing. Paid Mike off.

Jun 21 Clear and warm all Day. one gang Made 3500 Brick the Rest of us took in Brick. Mother Hise George Phebe Elizabeth Margaret mary Ann & I visited at Joel McMillans got home at 9 O'clock. Henry Flick has gone Down to Unity after Kate.

Jun 22 Clear and very warm. George Hise Margaret Sis & I all went to Canfield to see Wm Hise & Family. had a good visit got Back about 1/2 Past 9 PM. Dark overtook us at Sol Beards had rather a Dark Drive of it. cloudy most of the afternoon. at about 10 O'clock PM had a heavy Rain. I had Barely time get the Horse taken care of when it commenced. George Did not Return with us. Henry Flick got the mare home at 5 PM.

Jun 23 Cloudy & wet some very Pleasant & Refreshing Showery. all hands are Setting Brick. Louis Blane & I made a Pump for the farm.

Jun 24 Clear and warm fine growing weather as can be. some are digging clay some are setting Brick. I went out to Robt Frenchs and got a stick for a Pump. in afternoon sett Brick.

Jun 25 Cloudy about all Day Rained but little. we made 8000 Brick to Day. Methodist conference is in Session here about 3 hundred Ministers here. Debrah Hays called this evening and spent an hour very Pleasantly.

Jun 26 Partially clear and warm. got up early. Bought 15 lb of fat Mutton cost 1 20/100 Dolls. offbore Brick until about 2 O'clock when all hands went to hacking up Brick. about the time we got Done it commenced Raining Rained a couple of hard showers. we had about 6000 get wet but are very little the worse of it. Harriet Dickinson and George Hise took Supper with us. Some cloudy at Sundown.

Jun 27 Partially clear. some sett Brick. Peter & I made a Pump in forenoon. Margaret & I took Supper with Grandmother Hise. no Rain to Day But clear at 9 O'clock P.M.

Jun 28 Cloudy & warm. one sett of hands moulded. I put in my Pump and helped Dig clay. at 3 O'clock PM had a very heavy Rain all hands Knocked off. Joseph Roller Paid me 2 50/100 Dolls. George Hise went home with Robt Campbell Jr. J F Dickinson and Lizzie took Supper with us and extorted a Promise to visit them on the morrow.

Jun 29 Clear at sun rise. got up fed the Horse and was off to Dickinsons By sunup. found all well and spent a Day joyfully. George Hise and Robt Campbell came over about 3 O'clock P.M. we left them there enjoying themselves. got home about Dark. had a fine Rain accompanied with a great deal of thunder about 9 O'clock P.M. Ike Taylor is here

and is sleeping on the Lounge.

Jun 30 Cloudy & Dull. all hands cased at the Kilns until noon then we Dug clay. cleared off and was fine all the afternoon. got to Bed at Sunsett. got a new Buggy.

Jul 1 Clear and cool. all hands made Brick to Day. got out 8000 Brick against 4 O'clock.

Jul 2 Cool & Pleasant. made 4000 Brick and I sett Brick all Day. hacked up 11000 after Sundown. treated the Boys to a bucket full of Lemon ade for helping. cloudy and looks like Rain at 9 O'clock.

Jul 3 Cloudy but no Rain cool. made 3000 Brick and took in several. Put up all that was Dry enough. very windy from North west at 10 PM.

Jul 4 Cloudy Rained some this morning. Built wall arount the Kiln. very cool this evening. Settled with and Paid off Louis Blane 3.48 cents.

Jul 5 Clear and Pleasant all Day. sett some Brick built wall etc etc. Paid Sylvester 10.00 Dollars Henry Flick 5.00.

Jul 6 Cloudy with some Rain about 8 O'clock But cleared off and was Pleasant all the Ballance of the Day. made spouts to carry the water off from our Pump. Made a Pencil Sketch and loafed around the Ballance of the Day. George W Hise Brot our old Dog home from Canfield and one of her Puppies which is a very Pretty one. George Deposited 400 Dollars with me for David Woodruff.

Jul 7 Clear and Pleasant all Day. finished setting our Kiln and got it nearly all cased. Mrs Beaumont Paid me 2 Dollars. George Hise Phebe Henshilwood Uriah Sharpnack Lizzie Wait all went out west this morning, gone to Andrew Chaneys in Lima Allen Co O. from there they are going to Cincinnatti thence to John Hises in Jennings Co Ind. will be gone 2 weeks. got a letter from George Hise for St Louis Mo. am going to forward it to John Hise. Flow Stafford is here from Pittsburgh.

Jul 8 Cloudy with some Rain But not enough to stop us from work. we cased and smeared our Kiln sat fire to it at noon. cleared off and at sundown is clear & cool. Ben Scattergood Paid me 50 Dollars I Paid George Flick 5.00 of it. Bought 10 lb Steel for hay fork cost 1.60 cents.

Jul 9 Clear & warm all Day. made a hay fork for unloading hay for Hutchin Satterthwait. cleaned out my well which was quite a job and Put a good platform around it.

Jul 10 Clear and warm. fixed up and Run my Engine it Runs well. Sat our Brick Macine want to get it started. our Brick Kiln is Doing wellso far. Raised the Price of Brick to 5 Dollars Per M cant now want Sell them for Less. Pidgeon sells at the Same. cool and Pleasant at Dark.

Jul 11 Clear and warm all Day with Some indications of Rain. am not well have the Bowel complaint. took some strong yerb Tea at noon feel better at Sundown. cooler with wind in South East. Spliced a hay Rope for Samuel Conn. the Children are making and eating ice Cream.

Jul 12 Clear & cloudy at intervals all Day. some indications of Rain But none fell. Done something at my Brick Machine toward a Start. Lizzie went home Rode Mike. Father & Mother Goulbourn are Both Sick. Margaret is out there. I went out in the evening after her. Aunt Kitty went with me to Stay all night. our Brick are Doing well.

Jul 13 Cloudy at Sunrise But little Prospects of Rain. Started at 8 O'clock for Hanover with Little Flow Stafford. took her to Wm McLerans Sis accompanied her but Returned with me. Cleared off and is very warm. arrived at 12 O'clock M. after Diner we left for home had a warm Drive But arrived in good Season. our Kiln is Doing well.

Jul 14 Clear and cloudy at intervals but no Rain the ground is very Dry. sett up Brick Macine and Done Some other notions.

Jul 15 Cloudy at sunrise but no Rain and But little Prospects of it. Lizzie Wait and Una Sharpnack Returned at one O'clock AM. Wilkinson and Debrah Chaney came with them.

Jul 16 Clear and very warm. Kiln is nearly Done. Silvester and John are Resting to Day. Peter & I are Burning and a very hot Berth we have of it.

Jul 17 Clear and 4 Degrees hotter than yesterday. Mercury is up to 99 in the Shade. Shut up our Kiln at 2 O'clock A.M. 3 of the hands Dug Clay. I Put the Paddles on the Brick Machine. got up Steam & Pumped lots of watter. was out to the farm for the first time for a month. the Hay is about all in. Henry C Wright took Diner with us was pleased to have him Do So.

Jul 18 Clear and warm but more air Stirring than yesterday. went Down to Jesse Hawleys and Brot my Brick Molds home. got them ironed Ready for use. the Boys Dug Clay. quite windy and cooler at Sundown.

Jul 19 Clear & cool all Day. got our Brick Machine in operation to Day it Performed well made about 25 hundred in about 3 hours. Borrowed 20 Dollars of John Deming. Paid Peter Fisher 15 Dollars & John Kineyman 5 Dollars. Paid Henry Schooley 10 Dollars. got a letter from John Hise of Butlerville Jenning Co Ind.

Jul 20 Clear & cool all Day. Repaired our windows. had visitors this afternoon Mr Elwood Vickers & Lady Daniel Strawn & Lady Isaac Taylor and Sarah Galbreath. had a Pleasant time.

Jul 21 Clear & Pleasant all Day no Prospect of Rain yet. filled up our Soak Pit. Dug

clay. Put on our Brick shed took in some Brick etc etc. Sis went Down to hanover with Elwood Vickers to spend the week with her Playmate Florine Stafford. got a letter from Athens Louisiana Bringing the Sad intelegence of the Death of our Brother Aaron. he Died of Congestive Fever. must write to John Hise to night yet.

Jul 22 Clear and Pleasant all Day. made 6000 Brick on the Machine Dont like them first Rate. think I shall abandon it in a Day or two.

Jul 23 Clear & very Dry no Prospects of Rain yet. Moulded Brick by hand this afternoon quit the machine. david Brown Paid me 4 80/100 Dollars he owed me 2 years. Mary Beaumont is here to night she & Margaret is going to Hanover tomorrow after Sis.

Jul 24 Clear and very warm all Day. vegetation is about Dried up. Margaret & Mary started at Day Break for Hanover got Back at Dark. Margaret got affraid to Drive Mike and hired a Mr McFarlen to Drive him home gave hima dollar for it. the Boys made a Big lot of Ice cream.

Jul 25 Clear and hot as ever. worked on the yard opened our Kiln. Bought 50 Bushels Oats of Jehu Fawcett cost 22 cents per Bushel. no sign of Rain.

Jul 26 Clear most of the Day a part of the Day was slightly cloudy with some indications of Rain But also none came. we are about Parched up. Cris Kineman is Down from Canfield and confirms the Bargain for the Brick yard. Howard Gilbert called in and spent the evening verry agreeabley to us.

Jul 27 Partially clear with some indications of Rain. wedged the Boxes and tracked up my new one Horse wagon. about 5 O'clock PM we had a fine Shower. Old Hester French a member of the Orthodox Quaker Society Died this morning. wrote a letter to B C Taylor of Dayton.

Jul 28 Cloudy all Day but no Rain of any account. loaded Brick all Day Moulded none. hands Dug Clay. Doctor Abraham Stanley of Brownsville Pa was Buryied here to Day. he Died at Cincinnati where had gone to have his Set that had been out of Place some time and Died under the operation.

Jul 29 Cloudy and wet until noon. very heavy Rain at 3 O'clock AM accompanied with heavy Thunder. worked at my wagon. some Dug clay others hauled Brick. George Hise & Phebe Henshilwood got Back this evening left Jacob Hises yesterday morning all well. made a wagon tongue for George Flick.

Jul 30 Clear and Pleasant. all hands Dug Clay. Clouded up in afternoon But Rained none. cooler. nothing more to Record.

Jul 31 Clear & cloudy at intervals all Day But no Rain. loaded Brick Moulded some Brick & some Dug Clay.

Aug 1 Clear and warm most of the Day. loaded Brick. John Kineman commenced Moulding at noon. the Colored People are having a grand Celebration of West India Emancipation. they are having a grand time of it.

Aug 2 Cloudy & Partially clear alternately in forenoon. in afternoon cloudy. at 5 O'clock commenced to Rain. got our Brick all up that was Dry. Charles Hoiles of Illinois is with us to night. Raining finely as I write at 10 PM. got 47 1/2 Bushels of Oats of Jehu Paid him 22 cts Per Bu.

Aug 3 Cloudy & warm. Spent the Day in Perfect Idleness. Margaret Says I have spent this Sunday the most Judiciously of any Sunday this Summer (She Knows).

Aug 4 Clear and cool all Day. Both Moulders at work to Day and the Boys hauled Brick. all got along Right. I took Margaret Down to Father Goulbourns. they are barely Settled with Wm A Lease. he owed me 11 56/100 Dolls. Paid 2 and the odd cents. gave his Due Bill for the Ballance 9 00/100 Doll.

Aug 5 Clear and Pleasant all Day got along well on the yard. sold lots of Brick. hauled a load of Sand. nothing special to Record.

Aug 6 Clear and very Pleasant all Day. loaded Brick. Mr & Mrs Murphy took tea with us. Howard Gilbert Spent the evening with us always glad to see him. threw my note in Bank for 50 Dollars. Preferred it to collecting it as I am in a hurry cost but 28 cents for 30 Days. By that time hope to have Plenty.

Aug 7 Clear at sunrise But soon clouded up and looked some Raining. loaded Brick at noon. sett all the little Boys to hacking up Brick and no sooner Done and covered than the Rain commenced Pouring Down. Done is But little Damage considering the large amount we had out. Ike Crumrine & Lady Returned from Iowa last night. Paid John Deming 20 and Joel McMillan 15 Dollars Borrowed money.

Aug 8 Clear at Sunrise and Promised from appearance to be a fair Day But soon clouded up and remained so all Day. commenced our 2 Kiln Setting. some Dug Clay and others hauled Brick. Florion Stafford went to Hanover to Day She had Been here a week. So cold as to Require a fire to be comfortable.

Aug 9 Partially clear and cool all Day. Peter & I Sett Brick the Ballance Dug clay and hauled Brick. sold considerable in small Lots. clear and cool at Bedtime.

Aug 10 Clear and cloudy at intervals. worked a Part of the Day at a Box to hold oats But was not well enough to Do much. took Diner with Mother Hise.

Aug 11 Partially clear. one Sett of hands Moulded the Ballance of us Dug clay got out a good bunch of it. hired the little Boys to take in Brick they took in 6 large hacks. looks

some like Rain at Bed time.

Aug 12 Partially clear. one sett of hands Moulding Brick all the Ballance helped thrash our wheat & Oats. the former was Poor only 33 Bushels off of 9 acres the Oats were Better. about 5 O'clock commenced Raining and Rained very hard. spoiled no Brick the Boys having taken them all in that was Dry and covered the Ballance.

Aug 13 Cloudy and wet. 3 hands working on the Road the Ballance sett Brick. I finished my Oats Bin and Put new Paddles in Johns clay mill. sold some Brick. cool and some cloudy at Bed time.

Aug 14 Clear and cooler with wind in North. made 8000 Brick to Day. I & Chauncey Sett one arch and hauled a load of Sand. went to night to David Carter on the coming Presidential Election. he is out for Fremont altho a Democrat of long Standing. he is an able Speaker Spices it through with flashes of wit and Sarcasm that excites ones Laughter.

Aug 15 Clear & cool with wind in Northwest. sett Brick got 8000 Moulded to Day. everything goes about right now. Politics are running high. Fremont & Free Men are all the Rage now. Success to Both is my wish.

Aug 16 Clear & Partially cloudy at intervals all Day cool & Pleasant to work. sett Brick made 7000. hauled a load of Sand. got a letter from B C Taylor of Dayton.

Aug 17 Partially clear and Pleasant to Day. sett some Brick and oiled my Harness. Isaac Crumrine & Lady took tea with us they Hail from Iowa. looks some like Rain.

Aug 18 Cloudy & Dull all Day Rained a little toward night. some took in & sett Brick others Moulded a few. Paid Allen Fairfax fifty Dollars of Borrowed Money. hired Louis Blane to Dig a well. am to give him 50 cents Per foot for Gigging and walling. if he goes over 20 feet am to pay him 62 1/2 cents per foot for all over that Distance. took the colt from the mare to Day.

Aug 19 Cloudy & wet all Day. sett Brick. made 2 gates for E Murphy & hung them. got Sylvester a Pair of Boots of Ben cost 4 25/100 Doll. cold and Disagreeable all Day.

Aug 20 Cloudy & cool. sett Brick Dug Clay loaded and hauled Brick etc etc. Rain over for Present. Bought 2 Dollars worth of Sugar. Sis is unwell.

Aug 21 Clear at Sunrise But soon clouded up and is still cloudy at Bedtime. made 8000 Brick & hauled some. Bought a Barrel of flour cost 6 50/100 Doll.

Aug 22 Clear and warm all Day. took in Brick. the Boys hauled out to Tom Sharp. looks a little like Rain at Bedtime. a great many Brick out shall not Sleep well in consequence.

Aug 23 Cloudy and looks like Raining at Day Break. we all got up and hacked up Brick But no Rain. one gang of hands took in all Day the other Moulded. Borrowed 50 Dollars of Joel McMillan Paid some of it to the Hands have some on hand yet. Put up about all our Brick took until after Dark. Bill Betton Pop wagon upsett and Broke hundreds of Bottles.

Aug 24 Clear and Pleasant with no Rain. Margaret & Sis is Down to Father Goulbourns. I made foundation for oven and mortar for Same. wrote 2 letters on Business etc etc. am not well have a cold.

Aug 25 Clear and warm all Day. Reason Bricker commenced our oven I am attending him. the hands are making Brick. Rained about 10 O'clock.

Aug 26 Clear and warm But soon clouded up in North west and Rained all Day. still at the oven and Boys at the Brick. (Big frost).

Aug 27 Clear and warm. Great Buchanan Demonstration here to Day numbering 5000 Persons. I staid at home. John Van Buren was here and made a speech. the unterefied one well Pleased with their Prospects. great Fremont Meeting at Massilon Stark Co Ohio 25 to 30000 People attending it.

Aug 28 Clear and warm. some took in Brick others Dug clay AM. looks so much like Rain that we concluded at 9 O'clock to hack our Brick we put up 8000 Dry ones. got Done By 11 O'clock when the stars again made their appearance and we left them uncovered.

Aug 29 Cloudy and warm. got up at 4 O'clock AM and covered my Brick got them Done by Daylight But no Rain fell of any account. all hands sett Brick. cool and windy from the North. Baked in our new Oven for the first Done well. Amos Gilbert is with us.

Aug 30 Clear and coolish fine weather for Brickmaking. Anti Slavery Anniversary commences to Day. I attended a part of the afternoon sessions. had an excellent meeting in the Town Hall.

Aug 31 Clear and warm all Day. had a grove meeting was not satisfactory too much confusion. had the Pleasure of seeing and getting an introduction to Francis Jackson of Boston one of the Best Men living (in my estimation). had an evening meeting in the Hall it was crowded to excess. Sarah Haines was taken with a Nervious attack of some Kind that was very Bad. she came home with us is Bad at 10 PM. Doct Britton is here administering to her. James Doud Paid me 40 Dollars he owed me.

Sep 1 Clear & cool at Daylight. got up early Bought Beef. Paid Joel McMillan 50 Dollars Borrowed Money. Spent all the forenoon in company with Francis Jackson got his Picture (Ambrotype) which is an excellent good one. got considerable acquainted with

him and Charles Hovey and a Mr Davis all of Mass. in afternoon attended the Sessions of the Society But took no part in its actions.

Sep 2 Clear and Pleasant. all hands Busy on the Brick yard. cloudy at sundown.

Sep 3 Cloudy at sunrise but soon cleared off and was warm all Day. hauled and made Brick. am too tired to write more at Present. Horse Fair opened to Day lots of fine Horses here.

Sep 4 Clear and warm all Day. Put up 25000 Brick. a large attendance at the Fair. got Charles Grisell To Bleed Topsy she is unwell. Governow Chase spoke at Heatons.

Sep 5 Cloudy with some Prospects of Rain. one sett of Hands Moulded until noon then all attended the Fair. Jo Thomas Paid his Brick Bill 23 70/100 Dolls. Wm A Lease Paid me 9 Dollars the last he owes me. Paid Peter Fisher 15 Henry Flick 3 John Kineman 2 Jacob Bean & Sylvester Irvin each one Dollar. Oliver & Mary Ann Johnson took Diner with us. took Supper and spent the evening at Joel McMillans. Parker Pillsbury, Maria Giddings Oliver & Mary Ann were there we had a very Pleasant time got home at 9 O'clock at which time the Rain had commenced Drizzling very Beautifully indeed.

Sep 6 Cloudy and wet having Rained moderately through the night. large gathering at the Fair I Did not go. felt rather Dull all Day.

Sep 7 Clear and warm. got Wm McCracken to go out to see Topsy. I guess she will Die her legs are very much swollen. have the tooth and head ache have a severe cold am prostrate having over worked myself. (Rained at 4 O'clock PM).

Sep 8 Clear and very warm all Day. some Dug Clay and others Sett Brick. finest kind of weather for Brick Making.

Sep 9 Clear and warm. Dug clay & sett Brick finished out 2nd Kiln 130000 it holds. in the evening Margaret & I attended a Party got up by Oliver Johnson at J.E. Jones. he had a Testimony to Deliver to his Friends and he Did it in a very Beautiful maner. it elicited some Discussion. Jacob Heaton Benj Jones James Barnaby Marius Robinson & others Participated in it. (Joseph Dugdale of Kennett Square Penn was there got home at 11 O'clock PM.

Sep 10 Clear & warm. all hands Dug clay. letter from John Hise.

Sep 11 Cloudy at Sunrise windy But no Rain. all hands Dug Clay. cleared off fine before noon. Topsy Died to Day with the Distemper.

Sep 12 Clear and very Pleasant. Dug clay to Day. am 43 years old to Day. hope to be Done Digging Clay Before the next 43 years Roll Round. Amos Gilbert is here. clear & moonlight.

Sep 13 Clear and Dry no prospects of Rain. Dug clay. Jo Saxon Paid me 18 Dollars his Brick Bill. Paid Chauncy Flick 2 Dolls.

Sep 14 Clear and warm. got up at Daylight took a walk Down to the Depot but felt to tired to continue it. came home and Remained here all Day. Lizzie Sheets is here. amused myself charicaturing the Democratic Nominees for President & vice President. I Represented the former as a large ox the latter as an ass yoked to cart loaded with gutta Perca Canes the Devil Driving it over the prostate Bodies of the Black Race. A Mr Crick of Sandusky called in and talked awhile. he is and old acquaintence.

Sep 15 Clear and cool. all hands making Brick. I cased at the Kiln that is already sett. Paid for my seed wheat 9 Doll for 6 Bushells. some Prospects of Rain at 8 O'clock P.M.

Sep 16 Clear & cool with every Prospect of Rain vanished. Bought a Barrel of flour cost 6 75/100 Dolls. Amos Gilbert is out at Richard Ramsdons. cased at our Kiln. Mr Trimble Paid me 10 Dollars for Brick. hauled one load of Brick for cistern. Ben Hilman Paid me 50 Dollars on Job Samborns acct.

Sep 17 Clear with no appearance of Rain. I was aroused last night by the cry of fire. on hastening out Discovered Snyder & Woodruffs Stove Foundry all wrapped in flames. I never Saw Salem so hard to Rout it was about 11 O'clock. By the very hardest kind of exertions Allisons Mill was Saved it was on fire several times as was 2 or three other Buildings in the Neighborhood they however were all Saved. Snyder & Woodruffs loss is heavy their valuable Patterns were all lost. about 5 hundred Dollars worth of new Stoves were saved. to Day my hands 9765 Brick the most I ever had made in one Day. weather just as fine as can be. Great Fremont Mass Meeting at Pittsburgh to Day.

Sep 18 Clear and Pleasant. I took in Brick. very windy until noon when it clouded up and looked like Rain. all hands put up Brick got all up before it Rained much. put on some shed. Sold Sam Street 10,000 Brick 5 Dollars per M at the Kiln.

Sep 19 Clear & cool with some frost. Made Brick to Day. Parker Pillsbury (of New Hampshire) called over to See me a few minutes he is a great man and I like very much. Jacob Gaunt Died.

Sep 20 Clear and warm. Big Circus here to Day. the Boys knocked off about 11 O'clock A.M. made 40000 Brick this week. David Boone Paid me his Brick Bill 11 25/100 Doll. Amos Gilbert is with us to night how I like him to be with us. I went to night to see the Circus the first one for about 8 years. it was a good one and I am Satisfied that I saw it.

Sep 21 Cloudy & cool all Day. Put up & covered all my Brick. Jacob Gaunt was Burried to Day. George Hise and Margaret went to the Funeral. cold enough for frost to night.

Sep 22 Cloudy & cool all Day. one gang moulded Brick and the Ballance of us cased and

smeared the Kiln. want to sett fire to it tomorrow. Pidgeon finished moulding to Day. wish we were Done.

Sep 23 Clear & cool. got our Kiln Ready and sett fire to it at 5 O'clock PM. made 3000 Brick.

Sep 24 Cloudy wet and cold. sett up all night at the Kiln. commenced to Rain about Daybreak. Discharged 3 hands this morning. John Kineman Jacob Bean & Chauncy Flick. took some Brick. cleared off before night.

Sep 25 Clear and windy all Day. Moulded 2000 Brick. I attended the Kiln. Tom Short Paid me 50 Dollars on his Brick account.

Sep 26 Cloudy but no Rain of any account yet. our Kiln is Doing well. cleared off.

Sep 27 Clear & Pleasant all Day. R H Garigus Paid me $16.82 cents all he owed me. worked some at my one horse wagon.

Sep 28 Clear & Pleasant. hunted our cows all the afternoon found them at the Depot. Margaret & George Hise is up at Canfield. Abigal Rukenbrod Died to Day.

Sep 29 Cloudy & threatens Rain. John Kineman Moulded Brick until 11 O'clock when it commenced Raining and kept at it all the afternoon. ceased at Sundown. Settled with Edwin Holloway he owed me $160 cents. Margaret got back this evening. Amos Gilbert is here with us to night.

Sep 30 Cloudy & wet. Drizzled Rain all Day. attended Mrs Koys Sale. Bought a Box, a Plow, a Side Saddle and a Cow the latter cost me 32 37/100 Dolls. Brot her home with me. Borrowed 50 Dollars of Jehu Fawcett Paid it to G W Hise he & Brother William Starts to Iowa in the morning.

Oct 1 Cloudy & cold. Discharged Peter Fisher & Sylvester Irvin Both good hands But it is now too late to make Brick. Henry Flick & I shall finish the Kiln. Borrowed 50 Dollars of Robt Eldridge By the month. Paid Jehu the money Borrowed of him last evening. Kiln is Doing well.

Oct 2 Clear & Pleasant. closed our Kiln at noon to Day. am very Sleepy having been on Duty for the last 40 hours. took a fine Sleep since Diner.

Oct 3 Clear and very Pleasant all Day. made 3600 Brick. Settled with Lizzie our Hired girl owed and Paid her 9 25/100 Dolls.

Oct 4 Cloudy But Pleasant. cleared off Partially and was very warm and Pleasant all Day. Settled with Peter Fisher & Silvester Irvin owed the former 82 30/100 Dolls the latter 21 50/100. Paid the former 10 Dollars the latter 5. made 3000 Brick.

Oct 5 Cloudy most of the Day But no Rain. took our new Cow out to the farm Joel Bets went with me. Done nothing all Day except to put my Harness together.

Oct 6 Cloudy But no Rain. made 3500 Brick & took in 4 hacks Shod Kate etc etc. cleared off before Sunsett. Pidgeon fired his Kiln to Day.

Oct 7 Dense fog But cleared off and was fine all Day. Mr Coats of New Jersey called to see my farm he wants to Buy we looked it over. I took in some Brick. attended a Political Discussion in the Town Hall. Paid But Poorly & held late.

Oct 8 Clear and very Pleasant still making Brick. got parker Pillsbury to Sit for his Picture at Boones. John Stanley Paid his Brick Bill.

Oct 9 Clear and warm all Day. made 3500 Brick. spent the evening at Ben Jones Party of Friends for parker Pillsbury. got home at 10 O'clock. let Joel McMillan have our Carriage his horse Ran off & broke his.

Oct 10 Clear & as fine weather for Brick making as we have had this Sumer. Sell some Brick along. am Busy taking in & hacking up on the yard.

Oct 11 Clear & the weather still as fine as can be. made 3300 Brick. Done the Best weeks work this week that we have Done this Sumer with the number of hands. 3 of us made & Put up 21,000. Tom Bently Paid his Brick Bill.

Oct 12 But Partially clear. moulded until noon. commenced drizzling Rain and we was forced to quit. Put on the shed on our Burnt Brick & sett Some. Paid Pius Bean my Shoe Bill 14.07 cts. Raining & Dark at 7 O'clock (the above is all a mistake and it happened in this way. I omited to Record Sundays events at the Proper time and the Result is that I have got Mondays in its stead. Sunday was Partially clear all Day. I took in 2 thousand Brick and leafed the Ballance of the Day. on Monday morning I took in I took in over 3 thousand Brick before Daylight.

Oct 14 Cloudy & cold. hauled 2 loads of Brick, 1 of wood & 1 of coal. nothing Doing on the Brick yard (too cold). Amos Gilbert is with us to night. Joel Bets spent the evening with us.

Oct 15 Clear & cold ground frose considerable Some ice. hauled & sett some Brick. considerable anxiety among the Politicians no reliable Returns from Pennsylvania. Ohio is strongly Republican. Paid John Kineman ten Dollars.

Oct 16 Clear & cool. 4 of us sett Brick got along well. Election Returns come in slow But Still favorable for the "Mule Eaters" (Fremont).

Oct 17 Cloudy & Dull. hauled & sett Brick. at 3 O'clock PM commenced Raining and

continues at 7 O'clock PM. Paid George Flick 5 Dollars. Bought a Barrel of flour cost 6 25/100 Doll.

Oct 18 Cloudy & Dull all Day. sett Brick. Benj Hilman Paid me 50 Dollars on Job Lamborns Bricks. I Paid Silvester 16 50/100 Doll all I owed him. Don Rice is here with his "Great Show". the Boys are having fine fun. warm and foggy.

Oct 19 Clear and Pleasant all Day Indian Sumer. got up early & made nails and Shoes and shod my horses hind feet. moved our goods out of north half of House. Koys want to moved in tomorrow.

Oct 20 clear and very Pleasant all Day. sett & hauled Brick getting along well. Koys moved in.

Oct 21 Clear & Pleasant all Day. sett & hauled Brick. am too sleepy to say more.

Oct 22 Cloudy & Drizzling Rain at Daylight. Done nothing nothing on the Brick yard to Day. Republican Meeting here to Day not less than 5000 People. all Passed of quiet and Dispersed in good order. no whiskey Drank on the occasion a striking contrast with the Democrat Meeting held here 2 months since every other one of which was Drunk. cleared of in afternoon But as I write the thunder is Roaring and the lightning flashing fearfully. some Rain is falling here but the Storm is to the north. Sharp & King Paid me 50 Dollars.

Oct 23 Cloudy & wet having Rained most of the night. Done but little on the yard in forenoon But in afternoon sett Brick. no Rain since noon. Cleared off about Sunsett and is clear as I write at ten P.M.

Oct 24 Clear But cool to Day. sett and hauled Brick. Paid John Kineman ten Dollars what I owed him for Moulding Brick in October.

Oct 25 Cloudy & wet Rained hard at 6 O'clock AM. Done no work to Day. Rained several showers in the forepart of the Day.

Oct 26 Partially clear warm & Pleasant. took our team and went Down to Koys and Brought up the Old 8 Day Brass Clock that I Bought. I suppose it is over 50 years old. after which I went out to Hitchin Satterthwait & Bought a Pig intending to take it on the farm with us. warm & looks like Rain at Sundown. Mother Hise spent the evening with us.

Oct 27 Cloudy & wet Roads sloppy. hauled Brick. too wet to case our Kiln. Rained hard at 1 O'clock PM. Sis is poorly got a cold with sore throat. clear & star light at 9 O'clock.

Oct 28 Cloudy & cool. sett & cased our Kiln. in afternoon went with George Flick to see Mr Warren about his farm But got but little Satisfaction, he is from Alabama knows

some of my old cronies there.

Oct 29 Clear and cloudy at intervals. finished casing the Kiln & sett it on fire at noon. weather is now favorable for burning. Sarah McMillan & a Miss Edgarton of St Clairsville Belmont Co Ohio visited us this afternoon. Joel was here to Supper.

Oct 30 Cloudy & cool. Snowed fast at 9 O'clock AM. Wilkinson Chaney started home this morning. cleared off and is Pleasant Indian Sumer.

Oct 31 Cloudy cold and snowed and stormed all the fore Part of the Day moderated some in afternoon. Kiln is Doing well.

Nov 1 Clear & cold wind Blows hard all Day. Burning Brick. Henry & Phillip Evans hauled chesnut wood. Bought it of Pidgeon. clouded up toward night but no Rain.

Nov 2 Partially clear and Pleasant all Day. worked at our Kiln splitting and hauling wood.

Nov 3 Cloudy & wet. Rained considerable in the fore part of the Day But slacked up about noon. our Kiln is Doing well. Roads sloppy.

Nov 4 Cloudy and windy in afternoon. Blowed very hard from Due west. we were forced to Board in our Kiln on the west Side. Presidential Election came off to Day Between James Buchanan of Pa John C Fremont of California & Millard Filmore of New York. my Sympathies are with Fremont. I was Solicited to cast a Ballot By Simeon Sharp, Thomas Bently Robt Tolerton & Thomas Sharp But Declined having conscientious scruples about swearing to Support a Constitution that is Pro Slavery. great Rejoicing to night. Perry Township Polled 549 votes, 4 of them for Filmore, 89 for Buchanan, 456 for Fremont. weather colder snowing some at 9 O'clock PM.

Nov 5 Cloudy cold and Snowed most of the Day. our Kiln Done well all Day. Both Political Parties are on suspense. Neither Party Dare Hurrah. Sam Street Paid me His Brick Bill 47 50/100 Doll. closed our Kiln at 1/2 Past 9 O'clock PM. clear and moon light. Finished making Brick

Nov 6 Clear & cool all Day. Done no work except to load a few Brick. John Kineman commenced chopping wood for me at 50 cents per cord and pile the Brush. Some Mean Devil of a Man Shot Robt Henshilwoods Cow. Broke her shoulder. he got her Butchered. got a letter from Saybolt & Elkun of Philadelphia answered it to night. clear & cold.

Nov 7 Partially clear and Pleasant quite warm for the Season. were it not for the wind would be very comfortable. hauling Brick as it is the Sand Anoys us very much. the Roads are yet good.

Nov 8 Cloudy & wet rained some through the night. at 9 O'clock AM rained and Blowed hard. snowed some through the Day But melted.

Nov 9 Clear & Pleasant in the Sun But thawed none in the shade. talked some with Sharp & King about an engine for Sawmill But came to nothing Definite. took Supper with Hannah Strawn. Margaret & Sis spent the afternoon with her.

Nov 10 Clear & cold ground frose very hard But thawed out by noon. Henry hauled one load of Brick to John Hudson and 2 loads of sand for our Cistern. I looked around for a stove but got none. Robt C. Dunn Paid his Rent up to Oct 1st 1856.

Nov 11 Clear and very Pleasant. gave Mrs Koy and her Daughter Rachel H Kelly a Deed each for their House they Bought of me on Lisbon Street. took 2 orders on Imla Holloway calling for 735 Dollars which is the Price they were to Pay. commenced our cistern at the farm. Mary Beaumont made me a new vest a good one. moon shines very Bright.

Nov 12 Partially clear and Pleasant weather. worked at the cistern all Day. Mary Ann Johnson of New York took Diner with us. I was not at home and regret it very much to have seen her. Bought me a new Shovel cost one Dollar. Paid David Painter 85 cents for Pickle Pork.

Nov 13 Clear and cool. worked at the Cistern. clouded up before noon looks some like Rain at 9 O'clock PM.

Nov 14 Cloudy & Rained some in the night But about Daylight commenced snowing very fast soon fell to the Depth of an inch But melted off by noon. Bought 4 Barrels of Cement of Sam Chesman. he owed me enough to pay for it except 62 cents that I Paid him so that he & I are now square. Done some some work at my Cistern. Rachel Hise is here to Day is going to stay all night. Roads muddy.

Nov 15 Clear and cold ground frose hard But thawed through the Day. commenced walling up the Cistern got along well. nothing special to Record and will go to Bed.

Nov 16 Cloudy But Pleasant weather for time of year. was out to J F Dickinsons had a Pleasant visit got home in good time. growing colder.

Nov 17 Cloudy & cold with a little snow. loaded some Brick. Bought a stove of Daniel Kall cost 3 69/100. took 40 Dollars of Cris kineman on Deposit. snowed and stormed very much to Day.

Nov 18 Cloudy & cool. George Flick Butchered our Hogs. I shod my Horses. hauled in and cut up my Share of the Pork.

Nov 19 Partially clear & some warmer. salted the pork etc etc. spent the evening at the

Forker House.

Nov 20 Clear and Pleasant for time of Sun Shone warm all Day. worked at cistern. ground our Sausage meat this evening. Sis is Spending the evening at Marius Robinsons they having moved to Town.

Nov 21 Cloudy and Drizzling Rain at 8 O'clock. hauled Brick to Henry Cary and a load of coal. Clear and warm in afternoon.

Nov 22 Clear and Pleasant all Day. worked at the cistern. Amos Gilbert has Returned after an absence of 4 weeks looks well glad to see him.

Nov 23 Partially clear and Pleasant. we all went Down to se Father Goulbourn. he has been Poorly but is better. got Back at Sundown.

Nov 24 Clear and very Pleasant all Day. hauled Brick to Henry Cary & worked some at the cistern. weather still warm. Roads good.

Nov 25 Cloudy and Drissled Rain most of the Day. got our cistern arched over and covered with 2 feet thick with Dirt on the Top. Job Hilliard Died this morning. he has been in very Poor health for 25 years almost all his life. it may with a great Degree of truth be said of him that he never knew what it was to live. let us hope his next is to be a Joyful one. (George Hise Married).

Nov 26 Cloudy but not very cool. Roads are getting muddy. hauled some Brick and am now going to making Soap. took Supper with Isaac & Margaret Crumrine.

Nov 27 Cloudy & Pleasant all Day. Done but little work to Day. George Hise and Lady spent the afternoon & took Supper with us. clear and warm at 9 O'clock PM.

Nov 28 Cloudy & cold But no snow some muddy. split a few Rails sold some Brick. sent a letter to J F Hise of New Albany Indiana.

Nov 29 Cloudy cold and wet. clerked at Hudgeon Kidds Sale was about all I Done. in the evening Margaret & I attended a Lecture Delivered by Wendell Phillips(Subject the lost Arts).

Nov 30 Cloudy But Pleasant winter weather. went Down to Joseph Balls and he and I went to See Wm Fawcetts Old Saw Mill. think I shall Buy it. Returned in time to hear the Discourse on the Subject of Slavery Delivered by Wendell Phillips and such Discourses I never before listened to. How any body that heard him could come to any other conclusion than his is to me a mystery. I can only solve it one way (viz) the Belief (by some) that we are Bound to vote any how.

Dec 1 Cloudy with moderate winter weather.

Dec 2 Cloudy and colder. worked in shop. Rained most of the afternoon. Roads verry muddy. warmer.

Dec 3 Clear at Daylight But soon clouded up and turned colder. at 9 O'clock ground frose hard. worked in the shop.

Dec 4 Cloudy & cold. went to Canfield and Brot Down a load of goods for George Hise. got Back at Dark. cold all Day.

Dec 5 Cloudy & cold. Done nothing to Day. Rachel and Elizabeth Hise came Down this morning. George came in time to take Tea with us. clear and moon light. Lawrence Webster Paid me 3 Dollars for Brick.

Dec 6 Clear & cold all Day. George & I Built a shelter for Mother Hises Cow. Righted up the shop etc etc. Roads Rough & weather cold.

Dec 7 Cloudy & cold. Ike Taylor & I went out to the farm. he went to McMillans & I came Back home after showing Henry Flick where to Dig a well. Amos Gilbert went to Jacob Heatons & I went to Sharp & Kings Foundry. Margaret Rachel & Sis went out to Sharpnacks got Back at Dundown. Charles Grissell called in and spent the evening. Jesse Hise Phebe Henshillwood & I sung several songs.

Dec 8 Cloudy & cold all Day. Done nothing to Day.

Dec 9 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. heard early this morning of a fearful accident at Alliance By which 8 lives were lost. the Cleveland train Ran into the Western Train while it was crossing the Track of the former Demolishing one Car. Doc Smith & Lady 2 of the Killed. hauled a load of Coal. Bought a Barrel of Flour. sold Brick etc etc.

Dec 10 Clear and Pleasant all Day. Repaired Jo Balls wagon. Bought 73 lb Sausage cost 5 11/100 Dolls. Mr Smith & Lady Buyried here to Day.

Dec 11 Cloudy & wet all Day. Roads muddy. Thomas Pinkham Paid me 20 Dollars all he owed me. I gave it to Margaret. Done a little work in the Shop.

Dec 12 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. unpined the Old Sawmill frame. engaged oxen of John Hilliard to Pull it up the Hill. he will send them up tomorrow. commenced a windlass for the well I am having Dug at the Farm. Bought a Rope 48 feet long cost 2 40/100 Dolls.

Dec 13 Clear at sun up But soon clouded over But was not unpleasant. Joseph & Frank Ball helped me and we tore Down and with Hilliards Oxen hauled our Sawmill up the Hill. got Done about 1 O'clock PM. Raining a little at 10 O'clock PM. Hamilton played the Violin.

Dec 14 Cloudy with plenty of mud. went out to farm to Build a carriage house. at 10 O'clock the wind Blowed a Perfect gale. Rained and snowed the wind hauled round to the north west and grew very cold. ground frosen hard before 4 O'clock PM. put up my shed took Diner and after setting by the fire a couple of hours came. in the evening Read Frances Wrights "Few Days in Athens a verry interesting Book.

Dec 15 Clear cold and Moonlight at 5 O'clock A.M. But clouded up and was verry cold all Day. finished our windlass for Digging our well. finished the Shed for our Carriage. John Sheets Barn Burnt Down at 2 O'clock cause of the fire unknown.

Dec 16 Cloudy and verry cold all Day. Done nothing But set around the fire.

Dec 17 Cloudy & cold all Day. ground frose very hard Roads rough.

Dec 18 Cloudy & cold weather about the same. Made Ephraim Murphy a Deed for his Property and he gave me a Mortgage on it to secure the payment of 1150.00.

Dec 19 Partially clear and verry cold. Allen Forker & I went to Lisbon to pay our Tax. mine was $56.79 cents. Allen Paid mine on account for his Son Jacob who owes me for Brick 50 16/100 Doll yet Due me. got Back at Dark. Margaret & Rachel walked out to Father Goulbourns to Do their washing got Back Safe. some warmer at Bedtime.

Dec 20 Cloudy & Raining at Daylight wet all the forenoon. snowed at 2 O'clock PM and is again freesing up at (O'clock PM.

Dec 21 Cloudy & cold ground frose hard. hitched up Mike to the Carriage and Sis, Levi Doud, Gertrude Robinson and Candas Boyle & I went out to John Gordons and made the wreaths for our approaching Fair. got Back at Dark. cold.

Dec 22 Cloudy & quite cold snow about an inch in Depth. Done but little work to Day. Bought George a Pair of Boots cost 2 12/100 Doll.

Dec 23 Cloudy & cold. got the key of the Town Hall and made up fire. moved the Settees and Decorated the Hall. Fred Long assisted me.

Dec 24 Cloudy & cold. our Fair opened to Day. I made & sold Ice Cream in the evening.

Dec 25 Cloudy & cold weather verry moderate. Fair goes off well. sold ice cream took in 20 Dollars.

Dec 26 Clear & sun shone Bright all Day verry Pleasant thawed some. I got a cold by some means. Fair closed at 2 O'clock PM. all hands turned in and cleared out the Hall got it Ready for the concert. I attended it and I hope to be forgiven for it. I'll never Do

the like again if I know it.

Dec 27 Clear & warmer thawing considerable to Day. at about 3 O'clock PM commenced raining frose as it fell which makes it Difficult walking. Done no work to Day.

Dec 28 Cloudy & warm. repaired my clock case. attended the Funeral of Isaac & Jane Trescotts child which Died yesterday. Ezra Wait & Lady took Supper with us. Roads mudy.

Dec 29 Clear & Pleasant ground frose hard But thawed some through the Day. Imly Holloway Paid me 10 Dollars. I Paid John Deming 9 31/100 Doll. Sold Zed Street 1600 Brick.

Dec 30 Clear & verry Pleasant all Day. loaded Brick for Zed Street to Day his team hauls them. John Kellys child expired at 7 O'clock P.M. Borrowed 45 Dollars of Joel McMillan. Paid Robt Eldredge 50 Dollars I owed him.

Dec 31 Cloudy & a little colder But still verry Pleasant winter weather. Roads are excellent. Alfred Sheets is in on a visit. the old year is going out Delightfully so farewell to 56.

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Jan 1 Partially clear & air cold all Day. loaded Brick for Zed Street. Amos Gilbert made me a Present of a Piece of gutta Percha wood and a Beautiful Piece of Pine Amber the first I ever saw. this evening I read the Story of the Captivity of Gilbert and Peart families By the Indians in 1780. they returned home in 3 years.

Jan 2 Cloudy & Pleasant Roads as good as can well be. hauled a load of coal & a load of wood for ourselves. Richard Garrigues Paid me 1 25/100 Doll all he owed me for Bricks.

Jan 3 Cloudy with 3 inches of snow. weather moderate and at noon is still snowing. Repaired my clock case this forenoon and Painted it in afternoon.

Jan 4 Cloudy and still spitting snow. Sleighinggood. went out to Sharps Foundry But as Tom was not at home Did not stay long. loafed with Jesse Duck at the Farquhar House awhile. took Diner with Mother Hise all the family was Present.

Jan 5 Cloudy and fine winter weather. wrote a letter to Wm Gaskill of Alliance Stark Co asking him to come and Buy my Brick Machine. commenced a Body for my Bob Sleds.

Jan 6 Cloudy with weather about the Same. loaded Brick to Day for Zed Street.

Jan 7 Cloudy with a little more Snow. finished the Bob Sleds and traded them off to Ike Crumrine for one old Buggy. Sleighing very good. Ike Taylor called in and he & I Played a few games of "Old Sledge" to wile away the time.

Jan 8 Clear at Sunrise But soon clouded up and was real cold all Day. collected a little money. Paid Henry Flick 2 Dollars. Snyder & Woodruff commenced operations in their new Foundry to Day. I saw the first iron melted in it.

Jan 9 Clear & Devilish cold. Margaret, Rachel, Lizzie Wait, George Hise & his wife has gone to Canfield. I prefered Staying at home worked at Gordons wagon. thawed a little in the Sun.

Jan 10 Cloudy and snowed moderately all Day. Spent the Day in trying to collect money But got none. But as good luick would have it Calvin Moore called in and Paid me60 Dollars on account owes me 12 Dollars and some cents yet. Sold another of my Houses and the last one on Lisbon Street. Sold it Robt Hole for 4 Hundred and ten Dollars 50 Dollars every 6 months until it is Paid each not bearing interest. let Joel Mcmillen have the money Calvin Moore Paid me.

Jan 11 Clear and quite Pleasant in the Sun But thawed none of account. Bargained with Tom Sharp for an Engine. Sold him my gold watch in part Pay for one Hundred Dollars in Part Pay. Sarah Galbreath spent the Evening with us.

Jan 12 Cloudy & cold coldest for some time. Settled with Zadok Street the first time in 11 years. our accounts amounted to about one thousand Dollars each and was but 7 Dollars Difference and I owed him that amount. Brot our clock home. Andrew Chaney is in on a short visit came on the 6 O'clock train. Don Stawn Paid me 6 Dollars all he owed me. I Paid Cris Kineman 8 Dollars.

Jan 13 Clear & cold soon in the morning But sun shone Pleasant all Day. Blacksmithed to Day. took Supper with Mother Hise.

Jan 14 Cloudy and snowed a little most of the Day. Done some work in the shop. attended the painting of my clock case. Andrew Chaney took Supper with us & spent the evening in a good chat. very Pleasant winter weather just cold enough to keep from thawing with Sleighing excellent.

Jan 15 Cloudy & cold all Day. worked some in the Shop. Ephraim Murphy Paid me $582 50/100 the Payment Due in April next. I lent 500 Dollars of it to Sharp Davis & Bonsall the Ballance to Joel McMillan. Andrew Chaney George Hise and Ike Taylor spent the evening with us. colder than usual to night.

Jan 16 Cloudy & colder cold all Day. Blacksmithed some. Snowed at 6 O'clock PM. spent the evening at Farquhar House.

Jan 17 Cloudy not quite so cold with considerable more snow. Sleighing is excellent. Joseph Ball has hauled in about one Hundred Saw logs where I intend Building my Saw Mill. Done about nothing to Day in the way of work. Bought some Butter & Buckwheat Flour. Jane Trescott visited us this PM. Andrew Chaney & George Hise spent the evening with us.

Jan 18 Cloudy & cold with Steady winter weather. made a wooden Pendilum for my clock and sett it up. Stayed at home all Day and evening. Mother Hise and Andrew Chaney spent a part of the evening with us. weather very cold.

Jan 19 Cloud & very cold. Started our Old clock for the first this morning. sett the Skanes in Gordons wagon. Paid Aaron benefield 3 Dollars all I owed him (Hat Bill). Andrew Chaney went home to Day. I sent the children some Presents. Made Robert Hole a Deed for the House and lot I Sold him on Lisbon Street North Part of lot No 2 Kidds Addition to Salem.

Jan 20 Cloudy & cold. commenced an arm chair of white Oak wood for myself worked on it all Day. Put in the time very comfortably. commenced snowing about noon and is still snowing at Bedtime.

Jan 21 Cloudy still snowing first Rate sleighing. worked all Day on my chair. Peter Fisher took Diner with us. I Bailed for 25 Dollars at Thomas & Greiner. snowed but little

through the Day.

Jan 22 Cloudy and most thundering cold all Day. worked at my chair. Allen Fairfax Brot us a load of coal.

Jan 23 Cloudy & cold Sleighing as good as can be. worked on my chair. got an excellent letter from Brother Jacob he was in New Orleans when he wrote it Jan 10th 57.

Jan 24 Cloudy & cold as usual. put in the Day at my chair got it about Done. took tea with Isaac & Jane Trescott. Bought me a new Suit of clothes at Sheets cost 18 75/100 Doll.

Jan 25 Clear and Sun shone Pleasant all Day. varnished my chair made a new Pendilum for our clock. Sleighing first Rate.

Jan 26 Cloudy and cold with in south and some indications of a thaw. commenced a chair for Sis. in afternoon commenced Raining which most of us are glad to see. at Bedtime the snow is soft.

Jan 27 Cloudy and warm with lots of water Running. a fair Prospect of a general Break up (of ice). Paid Scattergood 27 50/100 Doll for corn one hundred Bushels in the ear. Blacksmithed some this afternoon. finished and Brot home my new chair it is a capital good one. Ike Taylor spent the evening with us.

Jan 28 Cloudy & some colder But thawed some in the middle of the Day. worked on the wagon all Day. Roads are solid glib of ice.

Jan 29 Partially clear weather about the same Roads still solid ice. cleared off and thawed considerable through the Day. water running in the gutters freely. Blacksmithed.

Jan 30 Cloudy with moderate weather for winter. spent the time in the Shop. thawed a little to Day But looks like snowing or Raining.

Jan 31 Cloudy & about 3 inches of very wet snow. the Sleighing is again excellent thawed considerable to Day. had some considerable conversation with John Emitt of Philadelphia he is stopping at the Wilson House. warm and wet.

Feb 1 Partially clear and cold all Day. worked at Sis's chair all Day the Best way I could put in the time. this Evening went to hear Wm Wells Brown an American Slave Lecture on Slavery and its bearing on the white Race.

Feb 2 Clear and cool But moderated toward night. worked the most of the Day on the chair and at night went to hear Wm Wells Brown. Read his Drama written By himself. he Done it justice in every particular. Amos Gilbert has Returned after an absence of one week in Goshen.

Feb 3 Cloudy and not so cold. varnished Sis's chair. Done about nothing the Ballance of the Day. moderated towards evening.

Feb 4 Cloudy & warm the snow is about all gone the waters high. hauled Brick to Day. Rained Some and roads are getting muddy. one of George Thomas's Sons fell into the creek at Schooleys Mill and was Drowned he was returning from School. considerable of Typhoid Fever in the Neighborhood. Anthony Gongway and Allen B Farquhar has both got it.

Feb 5 Cloudy and warm thawed fast all Day. Roads very muddy. worked a little in the Shop.

Feb 6 Partially clear and quite warm all Day. Built a flue out at the farm. Jacob Galbreath came up to see me to Day. I want to hire him to work for me. attended a Concert give By Collored People from Mt Vernon Ohio. still warm at 9 O'clock PM.

Feb 7 Partially clear and warm all Day. went to Evan Bonsalls Sale for the Purpose of Buying a log wagon But Obediah Campbell thought it worth the most and of course got it. I came home across country and in so Doing crossed the spot where I sported with my School fellows 37 years ago. But the Old School House is not there nothing left Save the knob where we Rolled Down and clambered up. Elwood Vickers his Lady and her Sister spent the evening with us. was much gratified to have them Do So. I am some indisposed having taken a slight cold.

Feb 8 Cloudy & Drizzling Rain Roads very muddy. felt some better this morning. should like to be out Doors if it was fit But as it is must stay in. commenced freesing to Day and at Dark is frose up Solid as ever. Rachel, Sis George Hise & wife got Back from Canfield had a cold Ride of it. went up unprepared for so cold weather. Miriam Negus Died.

Feb 9 Clear and cold all Day thawed some in sunshine but nowhere else. Done no work to Day.

Feb 10 Cloudy and about Daylight commenced snowing and blowing at a furious Rate. Charles Pidgeon Died at 7 O'clock A.M. Remained very cold all Day. Done something at Sis's chair to Day. clear and very cold at 8 O'clock. took leave of Howard Gilbert he starts tomorrow for New York State to teach the Languages.

Feb 11 Clear & cold all Day. Charles Pidgeon was Buried at 8 O'clock to Day. Rheuben Schooleys oldest Daughter Died of Consumption at 6 O'clock this morning making 3 that has Died with the same Disease this week. gave Robt Hole the deed for the lot he Bought of me took 8 notes of him (Bearing interest from next April) calling for fifty Dollars each falling Due every 6 months and secured By Mortage.

Feb 12 Cloudy and some warmer. finished Sis's chair to Day. am quite unwell with a

cold. Mrs Griffing and Lydia Doud called in a few minutes glad to have them Do So. considerable warmer.

Feb 13 Cloudy but quite warm. got Criss to help me haul Brick to the R.R. Co. hauled one load of good out to the Farm. Angeline Pound Died (in Salem) with Consumption which is 4 this week.

Feb 14 Cloudy & warm. finished my small flue at the Farm. Done little else. warm all Day.

Feb 15 Partially clear warm and Pleasant all Day But I have been confined to the House most of the Day with headache. But few have called on us and Perhaps it is well as it is for we are Packing up our goods to make one more move. So that this is Perhaps the last Sunday I shall ever spend as a Citizen in the Borough of Salem where I have lived for the last 38 years with the exception of 3 summers *37, 38 & 39 following the River as an Engineer of a Steam Boat (The Steam Boat Jefferson Captain Allen Master. she Plied between Mobile & Montgomery in Alabama).

Feb 16 Cloudy & warm looks some like Rain. George Hise brot in our team & he & I commenced moving in the Rain. But it soon Blowed off and in afternoon was Pleasant. got 6 loads out. But Flicks could not get out of the house to Day. Margaret & I took Supper & stayed all night with Mother Hise. I spent the evening at Horners Store.

Feb 17 Clear and warm. got Possession of Unserheim this morning. spent the Day in fixing up. George Hise & Phebe Henselwood helped us. cloudy at sunsett.

Feb 18 Clear and quite warm all Day. heard with Regret that Jesse Hises youngest Son (Little Howard) Died about midnight last night he was about 16 months old and Remarkable Promising. was called on By the Attorneys of Rickard & Co and E L Wood of Alliance in a case Pendingat Canton. got 15 bushels ear of Corn of Scattergoods they owe me 85 Bushels yet. Bought 20 yards of Rag Carpet cost $7.25 cts.

Feb 19 Cloudy and some colder wind Raw. fixed up things about the House until 1/2 past 9 O'clock A.M. then attended the Funeral of Brother Jesses little Howard whose Death I have already put upon Record. Anthony Gongway Died at 2 O'clock this morning. he will be missed as much as allmost any one Being a Master Mechanic (Bricklayer) and a Man of good habits and extensive acquaintence. he has left a large circle of Friends to mourn their loss. he was in the Prime of Life. David Stratton (who has been a Resident of Salem and Vicinity for the last 40 years of his life) also Burried he must have been quite old. Amos Gilbert arrived at Unserheim to Day for the first time likes the appearance of things very much. Drizzled Rain most of the aftrnoon and evening. Jenny Lind (our Cow) came in fresh last night (glad of it).

Feb 20 Cloudy Dull & very foggy & wet. Done a little at fixing up. went to Town Bought 7 lb butter and a Pair of new Boots cost 3 75/100 Dolls. Roads very muddy

thunder & lightning.

Feb 21 Cloudy & coolish. took my Boots Back as they were too Small. Bought another Pair of Enos Eldredge cost 3 50/100. Paid him for them. Robt Eldredge Paid me 3 30/100 Doll all he owed me for Brick. Anthony Gongway Buried to Day. cleaned up things a little.

Feb 22 Cloudy & cooler ground frose some. walked Down to Father Goulbourns from there to Jonathon Harris's. he is coming tomorrow to see about putting up the frame of my Sawmill got back about one O'clock. Ike Taylor and Amos Gilbert are both here to supper glad of it the latter is going to stay all night. got George to Bring out our old Maltese Cat.

Feb 23 Partially clear wind high But not cold. all hands went to Town except Margaret & I. we took a short walk but was too windy to be Pleasant. leveled our Door yard some. Jonothan Harris came to see our Sawmill timber and expects to come tomorrow to commence getting out some new and to frame it. was out to Tom Sharps he is coming out in the morning to show us where to sett it. clear & Star light very Pleasant out.

Feb 24 Partially clear and quite warm all Day. David Harris & ____ Fisher came to Day & we got out some of the timber for our Sawmill. Tom Sharp was out and showed us How and where to Build it. Rained a little before Dark and afterwards it Rained considerable and as I write the wind blows hard. Elizabeth Dickinson is with us to night. George Hise hauled 1600 Brick to the R Road for me.

Feb 25 Cloudy but Pleasant. Jonathan Harris & Frank Ball came on to help us get timber we got about all out. grew gradually colder all Day and to night I think the ground will freese a little. Grandmother Hise and Lizzie Wait were out to see us. Mary Ann went home with them and is going to Stay all night. Bought one Dollars worth of Sugar of Holloway & Jackson.

Feb 26 Clear at Sunrise But soon clouded up and was cold all Day. went to town with the team and Brot the chest of tools for our Mill wrights. got some of our timber together and Dug some the Foundation of our Mill. clear and cold at Dark.

Feb 27 Cloudy and cool ground frose a litle last night. got Ike Thomas to haul my large timber for Saw Mill. Done it in half Day. the carpenters commenced framing it. I & Frank Ball helped us. snowed some about 4 O'clock PM and at 9 PM the ground is covered with it.

Feb 28 Partially clear and cold with 2 inches of Snow. no Saw mill work Done to Day. all hands went home I went into Town surveyed the Brick yard lot and employed Ben Hawley to write an article. James McGee Payed me 2 50/100 Dolls for Brick. Paid 2 Dollars of it to George Henselwood toward Paying him for my Book Case which is about Done. Louis Blane hauled away the last of the Hay that he claimed as his. most of the

snow melted Roads muddy.

Mar 1 Cloudy & cold has the appearance of being a fine Day. Saddled up Mike (after breakfast) and went Down to Joel Ritchies (one mile south of Middleton to see Richard Fullers to hire him to work for me but we could not agree and I Started Back. in the mien time the weather changed, wind blew a Perfect gale from the North west and snowed about as fast as I ever saw it snow. I turned out in it and Put for home and I think I may Safely Say that no one ever had a worse ride of 13 miles than I had But I arrived at home about Dark with my clothes frozen stiff and covered with Snow. found all well and a good hot stove and I was soon comfortable. Oh the blessings of Home who can ever estimate thy worth. at nine O'clock PM the Storm is still Raging. this is By far the Stormiest Day we have had this winter. March comes in like the most infuriated Lion.

Mar 2 Cold all Day. Done nothing but feed the Stock and cut wood. ground frose hard and considerable snow. fixed our clock so it strikes right what it has not Done before since we owned it. (too cold for snow).

Mar 3 Clear and verry cold at sunrise thawed none all Day. Jacob Galbreth came to Day will commence work on tomorrow. he & I was over to Sharp Foundry this afternoon. Repaired my pump. Got a letter from a Mr Walker of Wellsville he wants to Buy my Brick Machine.

Mar 4 Cloudy and cold But is moderating some. Jacob & I cut 2 Saw logs and took them Down to Schooleys Sawmill. I stayed and got them Sawed into Brace stuff for our Sawmill. Jacob cut & hauled up 2 loads of fine wood. Budd Forker & I Settled he owed me 13 98/100 Doll. gave me his Due Bill for it.

Mar 5 Cloudy and not so cold. Jacob & I cleaned up one Barrel of wheat & took it to mill. hauled our Brace stuff up. shod our horses. Bought a new axe. Bought Margaret 3 Pairs of shoes for 50 cents per Pair. Ike Taylor and his Brother Thomas (who lives in Wayne County Illinois) spent the evening with us. we Played a few games of Poker. snowing fast at 8 O'clock P.M.

Mar 6 Cloudy & cold with considerable snow. wrote a couple of letters and mailed them. Done some errands in Town. got Back By noon. helped Jacob Saw Shingle timber in afternoon. cold and snowing at Bed time.

Mar 7 Clear & cold as greenland. sent a letter to R Gardner of Pittsburg he wants to Buy my Engine. Jacob hauled in 85 Bushels of ears of corn the Ballance got from Scattergood. got 2 Bushels of clover Seed cost 7 Dollars per Bushel and 7 Bushels of Barley cost 1 20/100 Dolls per Bushel. Articled with Ophe Cook & Cris Kineman Jr for the Brick yard. got another new axe and Put a good handle in it. Mother Hise and Mary (Jesses wife) spent the afternoon with us.

Mar 8 Clear & Pleasant will thaw Some to Day But the weather is still cold. Rachel is

gettting Ready to Start to Iowa on tomorrow. Timothy Gee called over and spent the evening brot us a Rooster.

Mar 9 Cloudy and storming snow from the South west. sold Jacob Sell 4 hundred Brick he Paid me for them. Paid Imly Holloway one Dollar I owed him. Bought 18 Postage Stamps. Rachel her children and George & his WifeStarted at 1/2 Past 12 M for Iowa. snowing about as fast as it could at the time. we all jumped into the Sled and came home soon after. Sent a letter to cousin Elizabeth Taylor of Bucks County Pa.

Mar 10 Partially clear but cold all Day. Sleighing is good. Jacob & I sawd of 20 Saw logs was cold on the feet. Joseph Ball is still hauling in logs to the Mill. no sign of a thaw at Bed time.

Mar 11 Cloudy & cold But looks a little like moderating. Took 2 Hundred Dollars of Jacob Galbreath on Deposit for 6 months at 6 per cent interest. was glad of it as I can use it to advantage. we hauled 3 thousand Brick to Reason Bricker. Roads muddy But frose up By Sundown. Amos Gilbert got Back this evening after an absence of two weeks. glad to see him he is yet enjoying good health. Paid Tom Sharp 50 Dollars on engine.

Mar 12 Clear & cold. Jacob & I went over to Joseph Balls and got 30 Bushels of Oats and a new Mall (maple knot) after which we went to town and hauled 3500 Brick to Bricker. went this evening to town to sell my Engine But it Proved to be too Small. got a cold. Settled with Snyder & Woodruff owed and Paid them 45 73/100 Dollars. gave them an order on Reason Bricker for it. Pay him in Brick.

Mar 13 Clear with cold air. hauled Brick. Settled with Amos Horner gave him my note 50 Days after Date for 31 Dollars Did know & owed him so much But Store Bills Run up unwary almost.

Mar 14 Clear and considerable warmer. hauled Brick all Day. Roads got muddy against night. not going to freese any to night.

Mar 15 Partially clear and warm makes one feel glad he is alive to be out this morning. stopped at home all Day expecting Jesse Hawley to make out a Bill of timber for the Barn But he did not come. was up this evening in the Town Hall to hear a spiritual lecture By Mrs Seymore of Michigan. was not very Satisfactory.

Mar 16 Cloudy and warm. chopped wood until David Harris came then I helped him frame at the Sawmill. snowed about noon but soon melted. attended a circle of Spiritualists at John Whinnerys got nothing for my pains.

Mar 17 (St Patricks Day in the morning) Cloudy but warm and Pleasant sun shone out occasionally. Jonathan Harris came a little before noon. getting along well with the Mill. wrote a letter to James Blair of Pittsburgh want him to make me a Boiler. Rained a little at 8 O'clock. got a letter from Lizzie Lensenbaugher she is not coming to work for us this

summer. I suppose she wants too much wages.

Mar 18 Cloudy & warm. I went to Town and hauled 3 loads of Brick. Jacob helped the Millwrights. In afternoon he & I worked at the Dam and Foundation for saw mill. Frank Ball came to help us But at 3 O'clock PM commenced Raining we was forced to quit. Jacob and I went to Town. ground 2 Drawing Knives. must go to making things for our Barn. ground covered with Snow at 1/2 Past 9 P.M.

Mar 19 Cloudy & cold with one inch of Snow on the ground and more a falling. mill wrights gone home again. Jacob & I worked in the Shop all Day. got a letter from George Hise of Iowa they all there Safe But had some Delays By breaking engine and washed away Bridges etc etc. cold all Day ground frose up Solid. James Eggbert of Bedford called out to see Jacob. I was once acquainted with him But had not Saw him for twenty years. But I knew him at first Sight.

Mar 20 Clear & cold But will thaw all the Snow off to Day. Jacob & I both worked in Town on the wagon. Roads very muddy. snow gone and will freese none to night.

Mar 21 Clear & warm wind blew hard all night But at 7 O'clock AM is quite Still and Pleasant. must try and Do something at our Saw Mill to Day. we succeeded in getting our mud sills in their Place got Done about Sunsett. Atlantic Ocean Ball, Nathan Balls Widow, very aged, Mother of Joseph & Benjamin Ball and Motherinlaw to David Fawcett Died this morning.

Mar 22 Clear warm & very Pleasant all Day. was Down to John Hilliards for a walk went from there to Town. Margaret Sis and I all took Supper with Sis Wait & Ezra. Mother Hise attended the funeral of Ma Ball which took Place at 4 O'clock PM. Amos Gilbert is again with us having been absent several Days at Joel McMillans. he has been some indisposed but is now better. Jesse Hawley came to Day & made out a bill of lumber for our Barn. cloudy at 9 PM and looks like Raining.

Mar 23 Cloudy & warm. got up early went to Town and bought 2 Plow shares. Jacob commenced Plowing up our Sod for corn Plows nice. one Doing something at the mill. Sarah Galbreath took Supper with us after which she and I went to Town. I could Buy no Butter & come. Roads are about Dry.

Mar 24 Cloudy and warm. Rained a little this forenoon. Put up a shed at the Saw Mill for the carpenters to work under. got the Sills Down. Jacob is Still plowingSod. Unkle Amos Gilbert is Poorly. Bought 3 lb Butter of Sarah McMillen.

Mar 25 Cloudy & cold at 7 AM. Snowed fast but Did not last long. Jacob finished our Sod ground and commenced the Stubble ground that we intend to sow in Barley. I helped at the Mill. Done But little except to keep up the fire. cold all Day will freese some to night.

Mar 26 Cloudy & cold ground frose some. Jacob & I hewed 8 sticks of Small Timber for Saw Mill. Jacob Paxon and Marion Hoover took Diner with us the latter is going to work for us is coming about the middle of April. Unkle Amos is quite Poorly. clear at 9 O'clock PM.

Mar 27 Clear & frosty. went to Town after breakfast Done up some Shares. Sowed our Clover Seed this morning. asked hands to Raise our Sawmill want to Put it up tomorrow. clear & star light. Roads good. Sarah McMillan took tea with us.

Mar 28 Cloudy & coolish. got up early went up to Ben Hawleys and got a yoke of Isaac Thomas oxen and hauled the Sills and Plates of our Saw Mill up on the hill Side to be handy for Raising. made some pike Poles and at One O'clock the help commenced arriving and By 4 O'clock had our mill all up complete. all hands took Supper with us. Jeremiah & LIzzie Dickinson happened here spent the afternoon and took Supper with us. Started home before sunsett. Jacob Rode Mike Down to his Fathers. Unkle Amos is getting better Slowly.

Mar 29 Cloudy & cold raw wind. Repaired the clock after which I went out to Thomas Sharps to see after my Engine. he has a very sore eye.

Mar 30 Clear and Pleasant for march. got up early took Jonathan Harris's tool chest in to Town. Brot out a load of Brick. was out to Hill Tolertons to see some Barley. Drew 25 Dollars of Joel McMillan. Paid Ben Scattergood 22 40/100 Doll for 2 Bushels Clover Seed and 7 Bushels Barley that I got of him some time since. attended John W Fawcetts Sale. Bought a good hoe & some crocks. Bought a new chalk line at Chessman & Wrights.

Mar 31 Clear & Pleasant all Day. worked at the Sawmill. got on yesterday 3 letters one from Wm Hise of Iowa, one from Tom Middleton of Rough & Ready California for George Hise forwarded on to him in Iowa with an answer to William.

Apr 1 Cloudy & Raining. got up about Daybreak went to Town and brot out a gooseberry bush off of the lot I sold Robt Hole. worked at the Sawmill until noon. was too cold to work longer. snowed and Stormed all the afternoon. Joseph Ball Paid me fifty Dollars to be applied on a Note I hold against Miss Samborn his Sisterinlaw. Deposited it at Thomas Greiners. ground frose sollid at Bed time.

Apr 2 Cloudy & cold as greenland. Jacob took 11 1/2 Bushel of Corn & Oats to get ground for cow & Horse feed. Bought and hauled home 1/2 ton of good Hay got it of Joseph Ball. Jacob & I Rolled together & burned old Stumps on the newly Plowed field.

Apr 3 Clear & cold ground frose hard. hauled 2 thousand Brick to R Gordon the Boiler Maker that is coming to Salem. Settled with Joel McMillan he owed and Paid me 77 60/100 Dollars. I Paid James Boone 8 John Thompson 2 Wm Pidgeon 6. Deposited 60 Dolars with Thomas & Greiner. Bought some Bacon of Joseph England.

Apr 4 Clear & warm. Jacob is Plowing and I at work at the Sawmill. Father & Mother Goulbourn is here on a visit are going to Stay all night. had a tramp after the Cows got back at 7 O'clock without them. the wind commenced Blowing hard at 8 O'clock PM and Rained a little.

Apr 5 Cloudy & wet. got up early took Mike and went for the Cows had a long hunt before I found them. Father and Mother Goulbourn went to meeting after which I went Down to Timothy Gees. Rained about all Day. John Deming called in to See us a few minutes. cloudy and Raining at Bedtime. Henry Flick took Supper with us.

Apr 6 Cloudy and snowing at Daylight with 3 inches Snow. Sis started to School to Calvin Moore. Jacob & I worked in the Blacksmith Shop. made our Car axles a good fro hatchet harrowtooth etc. cold and stormy all Day. ground frose hard by Dark with Snow Drifted. Paid Cris Kineman 20 Dollars.

Apr 7 Cloudy cold and windy with lots of Snow. Jacob & I cut and hauled to Schooleys Sawmill a log for lath to Roof the Sawmill. in afternoon Sawed Clapboard timber & lathed it up. Ike taylor is Spending the afternoon and evening with us is going to Stay all night. not quite so cold at Bed time but air is Still raw.

Apr 8 Cloudy & ground Partially covered with Snow. Rained and frose about Daylight. weather Disagreeable wind in South East. hauled our clapboard timber together and our lath from mill. Raised the Rafters Rived clapboards etc. Rained all the afternoon and evening. Bought a Dollars worth of Nails. Got a letter from George Hise of Iowa (all well).

Apr 9 Cloudy with 2 inches of wet Snow the timber is loaded with it. Jacob & I Split our clapboards and hewed Some Timber for Boiler Shed.

Apr 10 Cloudy and Drizzled Rain a little Part of the Day. framed at our Boiler Shed. Put in a whole Day without interruption.

Apr 11 Cloudy and wet. Jacob went Down to his Fathers to Day brot up his Son and started on the 6 O'clock Train for Bedford Cuyhoga County O where he is going to leave him with a friend. Dole & Silver Paid me 6 Dollars for Brick all they owe me. Mr buck Paid me 10 Dollars for Lydia Samborn against whom I hold a note of one hundred Dollars including the interest. Paid Pete Fisher 5 Dollars. Joseph England brot me 143 1/2 lb of Bacon for which I Pay him 11 cents per lb it is yet at John Fetters Grocery. Marion Hoover our Farmer came this evening is going to commence work on Monday next. Snowed a little this evening about Dark. got a letter from E King of Unity, Ohio.

Apr 12 Cold and Raw. Settled with Isaac Thomas he owed and gave me his Due Bill for $162.85 cents. went out to Joseph Balls he has just returned from Pittsburgh took Diner with him. Saw a Sharps Rifle for the first time Brot it home to show it Margaret & Sis.

hitched Kate to the Buggy and went into Town after Margaret. took Supper with Mother Hise. cold and Raw all Day. Unkle Amos Gilbert is Down at Joel McMillens this evening is going to Stay all night.

Apr 13 Clear with weather moderated considerable. worked at the Saw mill. at noon took the horses & wagon up Town and brot home the Bacon I Bought of Joseph England. brot home our Pier Table. Roads Drying up fast. Killed 2 large Rats would like amazingly to Repeat the Dose every hour for a week. Starlight at 8 PM.

Apr 14 Cloudy & cold. Jacob got Back at noon. worked at the Sawmill in afternoon. wind blows cold ground frose some. Henselwoods little Terrier Dog fell Down our well to Day and Drownded we Did not get him out. I am very sorry for the loss of the Dog as he was an excellent Ratter. Unkle Amos is in Town to night.

Apr 15 Cloudy cold and Stormy wind Blows cold from North West and snows a little all Day. worked as long as we could at the Sawmill But the Snow and cold wind Drove us away. I went to town got 5 Dollars of Charles Stratton sent 3 of it to G W Hise of Iowa. left Eli Kings Bill of 18 Dollars with Alfred Wright for collection. Paid John Kelly 12 55/100 Doll on a Note held against me By Elizabeth Coy 6 21/100 Doll Due yet on it. Bought a new 3 inch Morticing Chisel cost 1 25/100 Doll. Unkle Amos is up Town (So is Sis).

Apr 16 Cloudy and as cold as ever. ground frose hard and Solid. went Down to Henry Schooleys to Buy some Hay can get 1/2 Ton. we made a good Stone culbert at our lane end and graded Down the steep Bank. hauled 2 loads of wood and the Hay. Snowed and stormed about all Day thawed none. very disagreeable Day to work out. at 8 O'clock PM is some warmer & clear. got 2 pigs of Joel McMillen not worth much but are Scarce.

Apr 17 Partially clear and cold ground frose hard. Jacob & Marion hauled Rails and I got up Steam and Ran my Small Engine. intend to move it from the Brick yard soon. In afternoon we both worked at the Sawmill got along well. a Mr Knableton of Franklin Co Ohio is with us to night he is a Cousin to Jacob Galbreath. warm at 9 O'clcok PM. moderated all th afternoon will freese but little to night.

Apr 18 Cloudy & cold. Drizzled Rain wind inNorth East. took up our Engine But got too muddy to move it. hauled 1300 Brick to Albert French. Paid Mrs Coy 5 Dollars owe her 1 20/100 Doll yet. in afternoon hauled Manure on our new garden and Plowed it. got a letter from George Hise of Iowa.

Apr 19 Cloudy and Snowing like the Devil from the NW. wrote 3 letters one to G W Hise of Iowa one to B C Taylorof Dayton, Ohio one to James Blair & Co Pittsburgh Pa. Marion has rode Mike home after his clothes. Snowed all Day was out of the House but once to Day. Marion got home at Dusk.

Apr 20 Clear & cold with 2 inches of Snow But will melt fast as the sky is clear and no

wind Stirring. Ben Hilman Paid me 86 Dollars the Ballance Due me for brick Sold to Job Samborn. J J Brooks Paid me 12 Dollars he owed me Paving Brick. Sent 20 Dollars to George W Hise of Iowa. Paid Joseph England 15 75/100. Paid Mrs Coy 1 20/100 Doll all I owe her. Deposited 75 Dollars with Thomas & Greiner. In afternoon went Down to Henry Brickers and bot 30 Bushels of Oats 7 miles away but Oats is scarce gave 33 cents Per bushel for it. Drew 10 Dollars at Thomas & Greiners to pay for it. Lizzie Sensenbaugh came to Day to work for us.

Apr 21 Clear at Sunrise but Soon clouded up. Marion went after and brot home our Oats. Jacob & I hewed timber for Rail Road into the Sawmill. about noon commenced to Snow snowed fast all the afternoon and at 10 P.M. is still snowing. Wm Fawcett called in out of the Storm he had been to Franklin Square and was nearly Perished with the cold. I soled my Boots. Samuel Coy Died at 10 O'clock AM.

Apr 22 Cloudy & cold with 2 inches of Snow. all creation looks like midwinter. can Do no work out of Doors. Bought the iron for Chimney for Sawmillcost 25 15/100 Doll Bought it of Robt Campbell & Sons Suckessors to Chessman & Wright at the Depot. fixed up tools & Jacob & I went to work about 10 O'clock & got it over half Done. snow all gone but air Raw.

Apr 23 Cloudy but warmer. Jacob & finished the Chimney about noon. brot it out and Put one half of our Sawmill Roof on. got a line from James Blair & Co of Pittsburgh Saying they had shipped my Boiler to Sharp & King am glad of that. we can now go ahead if the weather keeps good. clear and cold at Sun sett. will freese considerable to night. gave my cherry grafts to Barclay Morris to insert for me.

Apr 24 Clear and warm all Day about the finest Day we have had this month. got along well with the mill. Cloudy & warm at Sundown.

Apr 25 Cloudy but Pleasant considerable frost ground frose some. got up early worked at the log carriage until Breakfast then took the team and went out to Sharp & Kings Foundry brot home the fire front, grate Bars Carriage Rack chimney Plate flue Plate Carriage wheels Roe wheels cones etc etc. in afternoon Raised our Chimney it fell once when about half way up and came near breaking it in two but we put in a few new Rivets and it was as good as ever. we then sett it up and shingled the Ballance of the mill. Joseph Ball and his 2 helpers assisted us. Gave Sharp & King a Check on Thomas & Greiner for two Hundred Dollars and Cris Kineman one for 20 Dollars on the Same. Unkle Amos Gilbert Returned this afternoon he is still feeble. warm and Pleasant at Sunsett.

Apr 26 Cloudy & warm. got up at Daylight went Down to Wm Fawcetts old Sawmill to hunt some Plank but found none. brot home and sett out an Elm tree & spread the manure on the garden. Madelene Wilson with 3 of her children and her Brother Abraham visited us to Day. commenced Raining at 6 O'clock P.M. and looks like being a wet night. Unkle Amos has gone to Town again to Day. he is now quite well. Widow Burns

Burried.

Apr 27 Cloudy windy and cold all Day. Blacksmithed up Town making guys for chimney, Spreaders and iron for Stone Boat. Mr Wallace (the Boiler Maker) Paid me 20 Dollars for Brick. I Paid the Freight 4 77/100 Doll on my Boiler. Deposited 15 Dollars at Thomas & Greiner. Bought 38 lb Timothy Seed cost 3 16/100 Dolls. Rained and snowed some this afternoon. cold and Disagreeable all Day. got 1 ton of Hay of J Hiddleson.

Apr 28 Clear & cool at Sunrise. worked at the Sawmill all Day Joseph Ball assisted me. Jacob Sewed our barley in afternoon. Oliver Thomas hauled our Boiler out for us.

Apr 29 Clear and coolish in fore Part of the Day But moderated and was Pleasant. in afternoon working away in our Sawmill and farming. Sowed some of our Oats to Day. clear and Star light at 9 O'clock PM.

Apr 30 Clear & warm all Day. Spring appears to have fairly sett in. worked all Day at our Sawmill. Bought a Calf of some mover gave him 2 25/100 Doll for it. a little cloudy at Sunsett. Jesse Hise took Supper with us he starts West in the morning.

May 1 Cloudy and windy. got up at Day break intending to Sow our grass seed But he wind blew too fresh and at 6 O'clock commenced Raining and continued through the Day. worked some at the Sawmill in afternoon. went to Town and made 21 bolts for Carriage (Saw). Bought a neat little Shovel for Margaret. Passed the evening very Satisfacorily in conversation with my much Esteemed friend Amos Gilbert (who is again with us). warmer at 9 O'clock PM.

May 2 Cloudy warm and wet. worked in the mill most of the Day. quit Raining about 10 O'clock. Jacob & I seized the opportunity and sowed our grass Seed. turned some colder in the afterpart of the Day.

May 3 Cloudy but no Rain to Day. took Kate and Jacobs Buggy. Margaret & I went out to F Dickinsons. Lizzie who has been quite Sick is much Better. we all went over to Jo Saxons in the forenoon. after Diner we came Back to Jeremiahs. spent the Ballance of the Day very Pleasantly at 6 O'clock left for home. the Roads most of the way were Bad got home about Dark. found all Right (Stray Cow here Mother to the Calf I Bought).

May 4 Cloudy & wet Rained most of the night. worked all Day at the Saw Mill. ground very wet & waters high Round all Day. (Stray Cow Still here).

May 5 Cloudy cold and wet. Drizzled Rain all Day. wind inSouth west. worked at the Sawmill until noon. in afternoon went up town. Paid Jonathan Harris 20 Dollars owe him 16 yet. got 2 letters one from George Hise of Iowa one from Joseph Lukens of Montgomery Co Pa. cold cloudy & wet at Bedtime.

May 6 Cloudy wet & cold. snowed some in forepart of the Day. Jacob & I made

shingles for the Barn. In afternoon I went up town. Paid Sharp & King 50 Dollars. got 45 of it of Allen Forker & 5 of bard (the miller). Allen Forker Paid me 47 50/100 Doll 27 50/100 Doll he gave me on order of Tom Sharp for and 20 of it he Paid me in Money. Tom Sharpnack was witness to it. moved our Pear tree from the north to the Sout Side of the Houses.

May 7 Clear & warm. hauled Stone and Sand to sett our Boiler. at noon Jacob took the Team and started to Benton for Lime and I commenced a Pattern for Suply Pipe. worked in Sharps Pattern Shop. John McLeran Paid me five Dollars for one thousand Brick.

May 8 Clear and Delightful weather. finished Pattern By noon. Jacob got Back a little after noon brot 24 Bushels of good lime. in afternoon we made fence and Pryed up Stumps where we want to Plant Potatoes.

May 9 Clear & warm all Day. worked at home in forenoon. in afternoon Marion & I tore Down the Stack at the Brick yard. want to sett our Boiler with the Brick. Jacob went home this evening.

May 10 Some cloudy and cooler with some thunder and a little Rain last night. Mr and Mrs Gordon Paid us a visit to Day a very Pleasant time we had of it indeed. cloudy & quite cool at Sundown.

May 11 Cloudy & cold all Day. Reason Bricker & John Yingling came to sett our Boiler. hauled stone and some Brick. Rolled our Boiler into its Place got along well.

May 12 Clear & Darned cold frose ice 1/4 inch thick last night. took all hands to keep the masons going. they got our Boiler sett after which Jacob & I Planted our early Potatoes.

May 13 Weather a little hazy and warm. helped clear up a fence Row. in afternoon Borrowed Tom Sharps Mare and Rode out to Eden Yates to See his Oxen (want to Buy a Pair) but they Do not Suit me at the Price. came Round by Miller Haines home Saw a Pair at John Kelleys suits me better. got home about Sun Down found Jacob & Marion had got our Oats sowed and harrowed in. Rained Slowly from 4 O'clock PM until Bedtime. (Borrowed 2 Dollars of Joel McMillan.

May 14 Cloudy & wet. considerable of Rain fell last night. Repaired Pidgeons wagon in forenoon. in afternoon worked at Sawmill. Rained some through the Day still cloudy at 8 O'clock. (gave Yerkes Howel one of our Dogs).

May 15 Cloudy & wet Drizzled Rain most of the Day. worked at the Sawmill all Day. made good Part of the Rail Road into the mill. Lizzie Sensenbaugh went home last evening to stay a week or two.

May 16 Cloudy and coolish weather. worked at the mill until noon. went to Town in

afternoon. Thomas Kennett Esq. Paid me 30 Dollars money he collected for me of John Parker on account of Isaac Parker for whom I Put on a Gravel Roof some 3 years since and to secure the claim took the Mechanics Lien on it and have only just got the money. But I have not needed any more between then and now than I Did when I Received it so that I am Perfectly Satisfied that I got it when I Did. out of it I Paid Said Kennett Esqr 7 Dollars that Father Hise owed him before his Death which is now almost 5 years. I know of but one more small Debt of his unpaid and I Doubt if ever I Pay that for Reasons that to me are Satisfactory. Rained and was cold at 5 O'clock PM. (Paid Joel the 2 Dollars Borrowed).

May 17 Clear at Sunrise with Big frost which must go hard with the cherrys & Plumbs. soon clouded up and was cool all Day. Jacob & I went out to hunt up a yoke of Oxen could not Buy Kelleys. made Eden Yates a Bid on a Pair of Stags and altho it was ten Dollars less than he said he would take he took me up. I was Sorry I had offered it as I Do not want them. I shall Back out I think. in afternoon went over to Joseph Balls got hold of the Life of Isaac T Hopper and read until Dark. took supper with them. Jacob was with me.

May 18 Cloudy & cool all Day. I spent most of the Day up town. Jacob & Marion burned Stumps in forenoon. in afternoon we planted our Potatoes. (Samuel Waterworth Died).

May 19 Cloudy & Drizzled Rain all Day. made shingles inforenoon. In afternoon took 19 bushels of Oats & corn to mill to get chopped. Blacksmithed some. wet & cold and all Day. John Callahan paid me 3 Dollars owes me 30 cents yet.

May 20 Cloudy & cold. hauled Thomas & Greiner 11000 Brick. Jo Balls Team & Frank helped us. in evening Jacob & I went to see Tom Sharpnacks Oxen to small for the Price. Mary Hise & her 2 Boys are here to night.

May 21-22 Cloudy but warmer. finished Planting Potatoes before breakfast. Jacob Plowed corn ground and I left home in search of a yoke of Oxen. got Robt Eldredge to Discount a note on Ike Thomas for 162 83/100 Dolls. he gave me 153 00/100 Doll for it. I hunted faithful about all Day before I found a yoke that I thought would Do. I Bought a Pair of 4 year Olds of Isaac Stanley 1/2 mile East of Damascus. gave him a check on Thomas & Greiner for one Hundred Dollars for them. left Isaacs for John Stanleys about Sun Sett he lives 1 1/2 miles north of Damascus I Bought a waggon of him. he Prevailed on me to Stay over night to which I was in no ways averse as I was tired besides I like the "Man" he is one of my Particular friends. about 10 O'clock we Retired but I Slept Poorly being away from home. at 1/2 past 3 AM I started for home where I arrived about 7 AM. Put our Oxen right to the Harrow. they are weak and of course fag easy. I commenced a new yoke for them forthwith I want make them a good one. clear & quite warm. Deposited 150 Dollars at Thomas & Greiners. making an ox yoke.

May 23 Clear and warm. spaded garden in forenoon. in afternoon Planted corn got

better than half Done. Theodore Eugene Suboes Dropped and covered several Rows which helped us along consideable.

May 24 Clear & warm. went over to joseph Balls after Some Seed corn but got none. Aaron Holloway let me have a couple of quarts all he had. Jacob went & brot Lizzie Back to Day. Margaret & I were Down at Joel & Sarahs a short time. Ernest their youngest Son is quite Sick. turned Kate out to Pasture for the first. the cherry & Peach trees are just in full Bloom. Ezra Wait & Lady called out a few minutes.

May 25 Clear & warm all Day. finished Planting our corn at noon. in afternoon plowed the Orchard & 3 cornered piece. took the last of our wheat to mill. Brot home our Cottage Bed Stead got of Robt Hole. he Paid me 30 Dollars on the first Payment of fifty Dollars Due the first of June next.

May 26 Cloudy and looks a little like Rain. Planted the Ballance of our Potatoes, white Beans, Cucumbers, Pease, Squashes etc etc. Jacob Plowed Henselwoods lot this afternoon which is about the last work Kate will have to Do at Present. Deposited 30 Dollars at Thomas & Greiners.

May 27 Cloudy and some Prospects of Rain. Jacob & I Pumped out the water and tore the wall out of our well & walled 5 feet of it up with Brick. Repaired it up complete. Righted up things about the House. had a fine Rain in forenoon wet the ground thoroughly. wrote a Business letter to Wm R Cope of Phillipsburgh Jefferson Co Ohio. was out to See Sharp & King about my engine will be Done in a few Days. cleared up warm. (flour Selling at 8 50/100 Doll.

May 28 Cloudy with considerable Rain through the Day. in forenoon Jacob & I worked at Gordons wagon. in afternoon he made Rails & I collected some money & Bought Iron for Rail Road track into the Sawmill. Allen Forker Paid me 5 91/100 Doll all he owes me he and I are now sqare. Bought a dozen Tomattoe Plants & Sett them out.

May 29 Clear at Sunrise but was some cloudy through the Day. Jacob made fence in forenoon in afternoon worked at the mill. Rail Road Company paid me 25 Dollars I Paid it to Wm McCracken. David Galbreath & his Wife called in a few minutes this evening. cloudy & cool but little Danger of frost to night.

May 30 Partially clear cool but Pleasant all Day. all hands worked at the mill. fine growing weather Prospects for fruit could not be better. Slept on our new Cottage Bed for the first time.

May 31 Cloudy with a fine shower of Rain at 6 O'clock A.M. hung the Doors to our Safe in afternoon. Margaret Sis & I went Down to Father Goulbourns got Back in good time. Rained considerable about 2 O'clock PM. Margaret is at Henselwoods to night little Allen is very Dangerously ill. Uncle Amos Gilbert is with us to night for the last time at Present as on tomorrow he Starts to Iowa we shall miss him much. I am sorry he isgoing but

must Put up with it.

Jun 1 Cloudy & warm fine growing weather. made my ox yoke to Day. Jacob made Rails Marion Piled up Manure in the Barn yard. Little Allen Henselwood Died at 12 M of Relapse of Scarlet fever. Uncle Amos Started to Iowa.

Jun 2 Clear at Sunrise. Done no work to Day. attended the Funeral of little Allen. Some cloudy at times through the Day but no Rain. Paid Jonathan Harris 16 Dollars the ballance I owed him for framing the Saw mill. coolish weather. Kate Foaled.

Jun 3 Cloudy & Partially clear at intervals all Day. Part of the time was quite warm. Put up Skids and made a good Road to haul the lumber from the mill. heavy Rain went around to the South accompanied with wind blew here consideable about Sunsett. David Woodruff came out to buy a couple of chesnut Poles expect to take them to him on the morrow.

Jun 4 Clear & cool. Jacob worked on the Roads. 2 of Mother Hises cousins from Philadelphia called on us and took Diner. Hiram and Chaney Ayres they are on their way west. took our Carriage up to Woodruffs to get repaired.

Jun 5 Clear and cool with considerable frost this morning. took D Woodruff 2 chesnut Poles worth one Dollar. went out to Sharps for our Engine it was not Ready but we waited until it was. got it all at the mill before Sundown. Rained considerable about noon cold Rain at that. about cool enough for frost at Bedtime. (Paid Sharp & King 50 Dollars all I have for them at Present.

Jun 6 Clear & cool at Sunrise fine weather all Day. got our Engine to its Place Joseph Ball assisted us. Jacob went home in afternoon and I went to Franklin Square to See a Stallion. got Back in time to Boil some corn with Roots of Skunk Cabbage with which I hop to Poison the ground Squirrels that are taking up my corn. Margaret visited Lizzie Jones this afternoon.

Jun 7 Clear and Pleasant all Day. Margaret and Sis walked out to Sister unos. I stay at home helped kill Rats got 20. wrote a letter to George Hise of Iowa. Cristopher Kineman Died at 7 PM. Margaret got Back at Dark. Jacob got Back soon after.

Jun 8 Cloudy and warm. fine shower in forenoon. replanted corn. got our Engine sett. attended the funerall of Cris Kineman. got a letter from Wm R Cope of Phillipsburgh Jefferson Co Ohio wrote him an answer to night. very warm.

Jun 9 Cloudy with a little Rain through the Day. worked Saw mill. Jeremiah Dickinson & Lizzie took Diner spent the afternoon and supped with us glad to have them Do so. a little cooler but very Pleasant Sumer weather.

Jun 10 Cloudy & very foggy. got up early took Kate to Simon Millers to horse got Back

at about 10 AM. worked at Sawmill. fine growing weather. the cut worms are taking our corn that is Sad.

Jun 11 Cloudy & wet Rained most of the Day. worked at Sawmill. Put up the muleys. Sharp Davis & Bonsall Paid me 450 Dollars on a note of 5 hundred I hold against them. Charles Hoiles an old Friend who lives in Bond Co Illinois called and took Tea with us. I went with him to Town. must Start in the morning to go to Phillipsburgh in Jefferson Co Ohio.

Jun 12-13 Clear at Daylight got up at 3 O'clock AM and took the 5 O'clock Train for Alliance. waited there until 10 took the Train for Steubenville Jefferson Co Ohio from there to Lagrange Opposite Wellsburgh Va. Paid Wm R Cope 415 55/100 Dollars for George W Hise of Iowa the Ballance of what the owed him on a quarter Section of land he Bought of Cope Situated in Johnson Co Iowa (on which George now lives. Started Back at 20 minutes Past 5 came to Rochester stayed until 2 O'clock on the morning of the 13 when I got up and walked up to New Brighton in order to take the Express Train which I succeeded in Doing and arrived at Salem 1/2 Past 5 AM. Repaired immediately to Unserheim found all right and Breakfast waiting after eating which I have Put it all upon Record. So endeth the Story (Paid out 421 22/100 Dolls.

Jun 14 Cloudy & wet Rained hard in afternoon wind blew hard knocked Down several trees. got up steam & run our Engine. Did not Do very well.

Jun 14 Clear and cloudy at intervals. caught some rats in forenoon. in afternoon ironed ox yoke & Painted it . Rain to Day.

Jun 15 Clear & cloudy at intervals. worked at our mill got it about Ready to Saw. Rained some about 6 O'clock PM.

Jun 16 Clear & cloudy at intervals. Rained some before noon. worked at the mill Tom Sharp is righting things up. cloudy and looks like Rain at Sundown.

Jun 17 Cloudy & wet. cutting some Sawlogs to weather board the Mill. feel old and tired at that. cut & hauled our timber for Rail Road for running lumber out of the mill. in afternoon we started our Sawmill Done first rate. got a good mill.

Jun 18 Cloudy with several Showers through the Day. Sawed most of the Day mill works first Rate and we got along well. I am well Satisfied with its Performance.

Jun 19 Cloudy with some Rain in afternoon. Sawed all Day got along well. Paid Marion ten Dollars. Jacob worked a little in the corn but the Rain compelled him to abandon the field.

Jun 20 Cloudy & wet some Rain through the course of the Day. Sawed all Day got along very well. Wm Heckler Paid me 27 50/100 Dollars he owed me for Brick. Marion kept

but 5 Dollars.

Jun 21 Clear at sunrise and Bids fair for a Pleasant Day. Saddled up Mike and went Down to New Garden in search of a cow found and bought one with a calf of Peter Ward (one 1/2 mile north of Hamiltons Mills. Gave him 35 Dollars for them. Borrowed Jacob Saxons waggon and hauled the calf the cow followed me home. Rained hard about Sunsett. Did not get home until after Dark. Marius Robinson & Emly were here in my absence Sorry I was not with them.

Jun 22 Cloudy & wet all Day. Run the Sawmill Sawed the weather boards to enclose the mill. Frank Ball starts to Philadelphia to night at 11 O'clock with Stock for John Powel.

Jun 23 Partially clear with no Rain to Day. Run the mill Done good business. clear at sunsett.

Jun 24 Partially clear. working the corn to Day not running the mill. I hauled in 3 small logs. Wrote George Hise a letter. Mother Hise Sister Elizabeth Wait Mary Sheets & Mrs Murphy visited us to Day. Sarah McMillan also. no Rain to Day.

Jun 25 Clear and warm all Day. Sawed 2000 feet of lumber to Day. corn is being worked.

Jun 26 Clear & warm all Day. sawed. Paid Jacob one Dolar.

Jun 27 Clear & warm. sawed. Joseph Ball family all visited us to Day glad of it Margaret was well Pleased. Paid Marion 3 Dollars. John Gordon Paid 4 Dolls for Brick.

Jun 28 Clear & very warm. Painted John Gordons Wagon. at 5 O'clock we had the Biggest Rain we have had this Spring about 2 inches of Rain fell in a few minutes ground wet in consequence. cut my whiskers for the first time for about 8 months which is by far the longest I ever wore them at one time.

Jun 29 Cloudy and wet. hauled my small Engineinto the old Shop in Town. brot out our work bench and some of our tools etc etc. Sawed 2342 feet of lumber to Day. Paid Allen Fairfax 12 70/100 Doll and Hamilton Howel 10 Doll. cleared up in afternoon.

Jun 30 Cloudy & wet in afternoon Rained a little. sawed. have Plenty of water now.

Jul 1 Cloudy & wet rained several slight Showers through the Day. sawed 2 Thousand feet of lumber Done nothing else too wet to farm. Margaret Papered our Sitting Room. (so cold we have fire).

Jul 2 Cloudy & wet through the night Rained none to Day until about Sunsett the we had quite a shower. Margaret attended the Sewing Circle at John Demings. Paid Oliver Thomas 11 Dollars for head Blocks & Boiler.

Jul 3 Cloudy But no Rain to Day. sawed all Day made 40 feet of Rail Road in our log yard. cool with north wind. (18 years this evening we were married).

Jul 4 Clear & warm all Day. sawed Marion Plowed corn. got Jacob a Paid of Boots of Charley Stratton cost 4 25/100 Doll. brot Mary Anns Bonnet home with me. very Pleasant.

Jul 5 Clear & Pleasant. spent the Day at home. in afternoon Thomas & Sarah Sharp visited us had a Pleasant time. Done something toward making a flue Broom. Charles Grissell called in a few minutes in the evening. lightning in the west at 9 PM. Wm Fawcett Died.

Jul 6 Clear & fine growing weather. sawed until about 3 O'clock PM when it commenced to Rain and Rained by far the hardest that it has this Spring. we were forced to quit Sawing on account of high water. Wm Fawcett burried to Day.

Jul 7 Partially clear & quite warm to Day. worked at the mill took 500 feet of Siding to town for Joseph Ball. brot back a barrel of Flour for ourselves cost 7 35/100. Rained a little about Sunsett.

Jul 8 Cloudy & Raining at Daylight But Partially cleared off and was very warm all Day. John Ball is in from Iowa (Josephs oldest Son). Sarah Galbreath spent the afternoon with us. was Down to Robt Dunns to Buy grass can get what I want.

Jul 9 Clear & cloudy at intervals but no Rain to Day. Plowed and hoed our Potatoes. Run the Sawmill. Took Jenny to Fawcetts. Florrine Stafford of Pittsburgh arrived to Day.

Jul 10 Partially clear at times But little Rain to Day. some sawed the rest worked in the corn. Borrowed 15 Dollars of Joel McMillan sent ten of it to Eli King of Unity to Pay him for my colt. looks like Rain this evening. got a letter from John Hise.

Jul 11 Cloudy with some Rain about 7 AM. Did not Saw much to Day. hauled Sawlogs up to the ways ready to run into the Mill. Rained at 6 O'clock PM.

Jul 12 Clear & warm all Day. had several visitors to Day. made me a good step ladder. very warm.

Jul 13 Clear and very warm all Day. Jacob & Marion worked the corn and Joseph Ball and I hauled in the Ballance of the logs.

Jul 14 Partially clear in forenoon. cleaned out my Boiler. at noon commenced Sawing. Rained some Before night. Did not get our corn quite Done. Joel Holloway Paid me 17 50/100 for Brick.

Jul 15 Cloudy and clear at intervals but no Rain to Day. Paid Joel McMillan ten Dollars owe him five yet. Done some work up town. Bought Sis a Riding Hat cost 1 50/100 Doll am to Pay for it in Lumber. Sis and Florine took a short Ride on horseback. looks like Rain at 8 O'clock.

Jul 16 Cloudy and warm. Rained a little. finished Gordons wagon. James Barnaby appointed our assignee to settle his affairs he is insolvent. saw Monsuer a French Teacher to whom I went to learn Pen Drawing. he is an unfortunate Man giving to excessive Drink.

Jul 17 Clear and warm all Day. Bought 2 scythes & hung them Ready for Mowing. Sam Middleton late of California took Supper with us. Monsuer is here Drawing my Saw Mill.

Jul 18 Partially clear and very warm. good hay Day. Sold 377 cents worth of Lumber hauled it to Town. Brot our carriage home with me it is well Repaired. took and went over to Joseph Balls took Supper and Brot Margaret Sis & Flow home with me.

Jul 19 Clear & warm all Day. Mary Beaumont & Mersey Kinthout came out last evening stayed all night and all Day. am glad to have young people come out and spend Sundy with us.

Jul 20 Clear at sunrise But had a good Shower of Rain last night. ground our scythes and made hay ladders and cradles repaired Rakes etc etc. Monsuer is still with us.

Jul 21 Cloudy and some little rain. cradles and Put up 37 ____ of our wheat. Monsuer is still here.

Jul 22 Cloudy & Raining at Daylight. went Down to Robt Dunns engaged some grass to cut on the Shares. made our hay ladders and Painted our one horse wagon made a Bed for it also. considerable Rain through the Day. Sold George Flick our old Xcut Saw.

Jul 23 Cloudy & foggy. mowed some before breakfast but looked too much like Rain. we cut some saw logs and some of our wheat but a slight shower coming up we were forced to quit that. Jacob sharpened our Saws & I took (drawing of a heart) to (drawing of a bull) at Fawcett. made some irons for one horse wagon Bed.

Jul 24 Cloudy & foggy. cut some sawlogs but as soon as the Dew was off commenced cutting wheat got nearly Done. no Rain to Day. Bought some Paints & Pencils for Monsuer he is yet with us amusing himself Drawing & Painting. I am much Pleased to have him stay. Sold Benj Antrim 2 12/100 Dolls worth of Lumber for cash.

Jul 25 Clear & warm all Day. finished cutting our wheat mowed & took in 3 loads of good hay. Bought 74 cents worth of good Beef.

Jul 26 Clear and very Pleasant all Day. Joel Sharp & Boone Lee (the latter of Philadelphia) called a few minutes. "Monsuer & I were Drawing. stopped at home all Day took a good Rest.

Jul 27 Clear with Prospects of fair weather. we are going through our corn to Day for the last time. I bought jars and made some irons for my small wagon. John Hudson Paid me 3 60/100 Doll & Jacob Ambler 2 03/100 Doll all they both owed me. Rained a very little this afernoon.

Jul 28 Cloudy & threatend Rain all Day but none fell here of any amount. all three of us mowed at Dunns. sun shone none to Day.

Jul 29 Clear good part of the Day. finished mowing & Put up most of our Hay. hauled one load of hay to Dunns barn.

Jul 30 Cloudy all Day But no Rain. Stacked our share of our hay as good as I ever Saw. hauled Dunns share into his Barn.

Jul 31 Clear at Sunrise. mowed until 10 O'clock. Flow Stafford went home to Day. Sis & I took her to the Depot in the Carriage. Drawed 8 70/100 Doll of Thomas & Greiner all I had there on Deposit. Rained hard about 4 O'clock PM. got one small load of hay in but it was Barely Dry enough. Brot my Pine shingles from Depot. hitched to our new one horse wagon for the first time. Paid Lizzie 6 Dollars.

Aug 1 Cloudy & wet in fore part of the Day but in afternoon we Dried & got in all our Hay that was Down & finished cutting our wheat

Aug 2 Clear & warm all Day. visited at John Gordons had a good time "Monsuer" went with us got Back about Dark. found all Right. (Alfred Heacocks 3rd wife buried).

Aug 3 Clear & warm all Day. cut and took in some hay & cut some of our Barley. Lizzie Sensenbaugh left us to Day to learn the Tailoring Business.

Aug 4 Partially clear. finished cutting our grass hauled in 2 loads of hay and 2 loads of wheat. looks like Rain. Richard Garrigues & James Pinkham called out to see "Monsuer".

Aug 5 Cloudy with considerable Rain before Day. covered our cow shed. in forenoon we Dried off and we finished hauling in our wheat. no Rain to Day. Mother Hise is here going to stay all night. quite cool.

Aug 6 Clear & warm all Day. Jacob & Marion Cradled Barley until noon. we all went then and finished hauling in our Hay. Mother still with us.

Aug 7 Clear & warm. Jacob & Marion taking up Barley. I am helping sett up the

threshing Machine. Bought some Provisions got 60 Bags etc etc. no Prospects of Rain. got a letter from Cousin Mary Rathburn of Mich must answer it Soon.

Aug 8 Partially clear & warm to Day. Done our threshing by noon had 91 1/2 Bushels of good wheat. hauled in one load of Barley. Rained a very little about 3 O'clock PM.

Aug 9 Clear & warm all Day. started at 1/2 Past 6 O'clock and took Lizzie Sensenbaugh home. came Back by Sam Sharpnacks & brot Mary home with us. she is going to help us awhile (Margaret was with me).

Aug 10 Cloudy & wet. Rained all Day. cleaned our wheat 85 1/2 Bushels & Put it in the Parlor to Dry. went to Town of an errand. wrote a letter to Aunt Charity.

Aug 11 Cloudy and very foggy. commenced a cistern at the Saw Mill. Rained a heavy shower this afternoon. lent Robt Dunn 5 Bushels wheat.

Aug 12 Clear at Sunrise But thickened up and was Partially cloudy But no Rain. we all cut Oats. I Reap all Day got along well. Margaret is 36 years old to Day. fine Breese at 8 O'clock PM.

Aug 13 Clear and warm. got Done cutting one field of oats at noon. in afternoon we commenced a cistern at the Sawmill. Monsuer went to John Gordons to Draw a Piece for him.

Aug 14 Clear and very warm. Dug at the cistern until noon then Bound Oats. about 4 O'clock had a heavy Rain wet all our Oats and filled our cistern up with water. Samuel Chessman made us a Present of a young calf the cow Died being too fat. (Chessman Bought Archibald Woods farm containing 125 Acres for which he gave one Hundred Dollars Per Acre. he Designs selling most of it out in small Parcels.

Aug 15 Cloudy and wet. sawed all Day. in the evening went up Town Bought a Sow & Pigs of John Sheets for which I am to Pay him 12 Dollars. Bought a ham cost 14 cents Per Pound. Sarah Garwood Paid me 4 Dollars she owed me for a stove.

Aug 16 Cloudy. got up early took some corn up to my hog found one of the Pigs missing still have 8 left. Una Sharpnack & Mother Hise visited us to Day had a Pleasant time. I Drawed some and finished my one horse wagon Bed. Jacob gone to New Garden with Mike. Sarah Galbreath called in a few minutes. wrote Amos Gilbert a letter Directed it to Davenport Iowa and am now tired of writing.

Aug 17 Cloudy all Day. Jacob & I hauled in 18 sawlogs. Borrowed a yoke of oxen of Tom Wilson and liked them so well that I Bought them for one hundred and fifteen Dollars am to make a turn with John Hilliard to Pay for them. Hilliard owes me and Tom owes Hilliard. Marion hauled sand.

Aug 18 Cloudy and Damp in forenoon. Run the Sawmill to Day. about clear at sunsett & cool. sent 2 50/100 Doll to Monroe & Edgar Vickers (By Jacob) I owed them for hoeing corn.

Aug 19 Clear and very Pleasant weather. Put our oats out to Dry & Bound up and took in 2 Loads out of the field.

Aug 20 Cloudy and pleasant. cut oats until noon. hauled in the Ballance of our first field. sent a Paper to Florrine Stafford.

Aug 21 Clear and Pleasant. finished cutting our 2nd field of Oats by 8 O'clock and Jacob & Marion went to help Joseph Ball thresh out his grain. I hauled a load of Plank to the Hicksite Quakers. in afternoon Bound up oats. took Supper with Sarah McMillen. J.E. & B.G. Jones were there they called in a few minutes as they Returned home.

Aug 22 Cloudy & looks like Rain. got up steam and sawed all Day. Jacob & Marion are still at Joseph Balls. Monsuer Returned last evening. I Bought him a Suit of clothes cost 7.84 cents. Some Rain to Day.

Aug 23 Clear & cloudy at intervals cold & windy. stayed at home all Day. Jacob & Marion are up town. Sis & Eltina have gone Down to Sister Unas. I went Down to Robt Dunns engaged a house of him to lodge some work hands in. cleared off before night.

Aug 24 Clear & Pleasant all Day. hauled a load of lumber up Town and Bound Oats all the Ballance of the Day. sent a letter to Ephraim Smith of Lima Stark Co O. (Paid Jo ____ 3 Dollars).

Aug 25 Clear and warm all Day. Jacob & Marion got Done at Joseph Balls at noon. we got all our 2nd field of Oats in after sunsett.

Aug 26 Clear and warm all Day. got up early went Down to Tom Wilsons and brot my Black Muley Oxen home. hauled stone off of Oats Stubb all Day all hands of us. cleared the ground complete. looks some like Rain at Dark.

Aug 27 Cloudy & wet most of the Day. all hands at the Sawmill. I went up town collected 4 Dollars of Louis Keen. with it and 55 cents Bought a 7 foot Xcut Saw.

Aug 28 Clear and Pleasant. run the mill all Day But at night the water give out. on tomorrow we will again commence Digging for water. Bought a Rope of Tom Bently also his trucks. for the former I gave him $6.50 worth of lumber and his acct of 4 10/100 Doll. for the latter one cord of fine wood. hauled them all home.

Aug 29 Cloudy and wet most of the Day. worked at our cistern got it all Planked up. took us until sunsett. Joseph Ball helped us.

Aug 30 Clear & warm all Day. Margaret & Jacob went to Hicksite meeting. I thought it would not pay as well as work so I put the Top on my cistern at the Sawmill. Henry Mall Done his threshing. Pen Drawed some.

Aug 31 Clear & warm. helped haul out manure & Bound up our oats. got a letter from Amos Gilbert Dated June 18th should have had 2 months ago. Lizzie Dickinson to Diner.

Sep 1 Clear and warm all Day. hauled inour Oats out of the orchard. In afternoon Started 2 teams at the Manure. took a grist Down to Peoples Mill.

Sep 2 Clear & warm all Day. hauled out manure.

Sep 3 Clear & warm. Ephraim Smith & Son helped us to Day and I Done some Shores up town. Drew what money Sharp Davis & Bonsall owed me and Paid it to jacob Galbreath (32 Dollars).

Sep 4 Clear and warm. Plowed the Road until noon. Broke the Plow and quit too warm and hard and hard on my Oxen. Joel McMillen Paid me 20 Dollars of Borrowed money. Bought a Pair of Ox Keys.

Sep 5 Clear & warm. got up at 4 O'clock. Margaret & I walked Down to the Station took the Cars to Alliance to attend the Anniversary of the A.A.S. Society had a splendid meeting. Put up with Ridgely Haines Saw a great many of our old Friends. Abby & Stephen Foster, Parker Pillsbury, Andrew T. Foss and others all of which I was overjoyed to See.

Sep 6 Cloudy & cool with some Rain last night. attended the meeting all Day which was a very good one. left about 5 O'clock with John Gordon for home. Margaret Stays until to morrow. arrived home about Dark found all well.

Sep 7 Clear & warm all Day. sett & filed my newXcut Saw. Margaret got home at 6 O'clock. Ephraim Smith commenced cutting Saw logs to Day. hired both yoke of Oxen to Samuel Chessman to Plow his wheat ground.

Sep 8 Clear and warm with cool nights. Plowed some on the Road. Jacob got about Done Plowing for wheat. bot John Schooley 5 Bushels of wheat.

Sep 9 Clear & warm. Run the Sawmill a little. Dug some at the well. Joseph Ball Paid me 25 Doll I Paid Jacob 40 Dollars. Sowed our wheat to Day. Horse Fair commenced to Day.

Sep 10 Clear & warm. spent part of the Day collecting money got but little. went to Peoples mill for our chop stuff got a Part of it.

Sep 11 Clear & hot. run the Sawmill all Day Joseph Ball helped me everything worked

right. in evening attended an anti Slavery meeting addressed by Sarah Remond and Stephen S Foster.

Sep 12 Clear & warm ground very Dry. collected 10 Dollars and Paid it to Jacob owe him 12 75/100 Doll yet (on his wages). been looking up a Spring want to try and get it onto the farm. attend anti Slavey meeting speeches By C T Remond and P Pillsbury. no Prospect of Rain. Jacob took the mare to go home.

Sep 13 Clear and warm got up early. about 9 O'clock David Galbreath (Jacob Father) came in to tell me Bad news (viz) the Death of my young Colt. it got the Buggy shaft run into it and caused its Death. I could have sold it for 65 Dollars which makes it quite a loss But there is now no help for it so I give it up. attended the Anti Slavery meeting through the Day. took Diner with Daniel & Hannah Strawn.

Sep 14 Clear & some cloudy at intervals with a very little Rain. sawed 1/2 the Day. very warm.

Sep 15 Clear & warm. Run the Sawmill the Day. know of nothing else to Day.

Sep 16 But Partially clear & cool to Day. Run the Sawmill. Parker Pillsbury is with us to night.

Sep 17 Clear & very warm. Fitz Allen Brady commenced to Day to work for me. hauled scantling hauled our timber up for the Carriage house. Parker is Still with us. he & I went to Town this evening. Rained a little.

Sep 18 Cloudy & some Rain with Prospects for more. worked in the log yard all Day got it fixed up about right. David Scholfield an old Resident Died last night he was in his Eightieth year. was a native of Virginia & was one of the first Merchants of Salem But has been living on his farm 3 milesEast of town for the last 23 years. Rained a little through the Day but very moderate indeed.

Sep 19 Cloudy and Dull with Some Rain. got my Saw gumed and Escape Pipe mended. Built up the Boiler wall. Unkle Silas Howell is here going to Stay all night.

Sep 20 Cloudy and cool wind in the north. went out to Thomas Meads he was not at home. Unkle Silas & Tom Sharpnack took Diner with us.

Sep 21 Cloudy & clear at intervals. spent most of the Day up town trying to collect money. John Yengling Paid me 50 Dollars. I Deposited 55 Dollars in Bank. Marion & Fitz Allen Dug Potatoes.

Sep 22 Cloudy & coolish Rained a very little soon in the morning. hauled a load of lumber to John Street 5 Dollars worth to Pay for a crane I bought of him. finished Digging our Potatoes. Bought Mrs Kinemans Broad Axe give her a hewed stick worth

150 cents owe her 50 cents worth of lumber yet. Jacob Galbreath took Supper with us. sent 5 Bushels of wheat to Peeples mill By his son. Settled with Philip Evans he owed and Paid me 4 56/100 Doll.

Sep 23 Cloudy with a little Rain last night. worked at the cistern made 2 Pulley Blocks. George Entriken wife Burried to Day.

Sep 24 Clear & warm. worked at the cistern all Day. Borrowed 5 Dollars of Joel McMillan Paid it to Lizzie Senson baugh. clear & warm at 9 O'clock P.M.

Sep 25 Clear & warm. worked at the cistern takes a great deal of Digging.

Sep 26 Clear & warm. hauled Stone in forenoon and in afternoon walled a part of the cistern.

Sep 27 Clear & warm. took the carriage and Brot Sarah Smith and her Daughter Mary out to Unserheim. the latter I had to carry out to the carriage she is lame. Joel & Sarah McMillan visited with them a short time. Joseph Ball also called over a short time.

Sep 28 Cloudy with a very little Rain last night. finished our cistern by noon. Deposited 832 50/100 Doll with Thomas & Greiner. Paid Tom Wilson 115 Dollars out of it. was Down to Joshua Davis's to see his water Ram. he throws the water 3/4 of a mile and 155 feet in heighth. has a great abundance of water both at his house and at his Barn. I with Joseph Ball to Pittsburgh for a No 3 R___ & 2000 feet of 3/8 lead Pipe. sent also a letter & 2 certificates of 50 Dollars each By him to Uriah Wilson (who is now in Pitt and of whom I Bought Said certificates) to get him to transfer them to Wm Pidgeon to whom I sold them one year and six months Past. Sold Thomas Spencer $9 17/100 worth of lumber. Bought one Dollars worth of candles of him.

Sep 29 Partially clear. commenced cutting up our corn. got 4 Bundles of Rye Straw of John C Whinney. at noon went out to David Whinneys Saw mill to see the Big Days Sawing that is going off there. they had 2 Engines attached to the Same Boiler the Pope Boys used and on one of them they sawed 41 logs that made 14948 feet in 9 hours and 4 minutes (Circular Saw). on the Muley they sawed 23 logs that made 12,229 feet in 9 hours making in all 27177 feet which Beats any Days sawing ever Done in this Region.

Sep 30 Cloudy & clear at intervals. still cutting corn. I Repaired my shovels Ready to go to work Putting in our Water Ram. Attended an Auction at Alfred Scattergoods Bought nothing. cloudy at sundown.

Oct 1 Cloudy and Raining at Daylight. worked about the Sawmill in forenoon. Rained all the forenoon.

Oct 2 Cloudy & wet Rained about all Day. hauled a few Sawlogs. spent the afternoon in town.

Oct 3 Cloudy but no rain to Day. Bought some groceries in forenoon. In afternoon Run the Sawmill went off Right. Mrs Coats & Mary Hise visited us this afternoon glad to have them. Paid Jacob Galbreath 21 75/100 Doll all I owed him.

Oct 4 Clear & Pleasant all Day. Settled with Joseph Ball owed and Paid him 39 13/100 Doll. he Bought & Paid for the Lead Pipe & Hydraulic Ram which cost 92.00 in Pittsburgh. in afternoon Margaret & I visited at Tom Wilsons got home at Dark. cool & Pleasant at Sunsett.

Oct 5 Clear & Pleasant all Day. commenced Digging the Drain for Water Ram. Paid Morris 3 Dollars & fifty cents.

Oct 6 Clear & warm. working at our water fixing very wet job. A T Foss & Mrs Coleman called Down to us Day. we Sang them 3 songs & he Preached us a Short Sermon.

Oct 7 Clear and Pleasant all Day. still working at our Ditch have a hard job of it. this evening Mrs Coleman of Rochester New York & Mrs Foss of Manchester Massachusetts visited us. had a good time telling jokes and anecdotes. they are agents of the American Anti Slavery Society.

Oct 8 Clear with some frost. Bought a few Sweet Potatoes and one Dollars worth of Sugar. finished cutting up our corn afte which I went to town and Bought 35 1/2 yards of Bleached Muslin.

Oct 9 Clear & Pleasant. worked at our Ditch. Old Nathan Galbreath was Buried to Day. he moved where he Died in 1805 David Galbreath & his wife is with us to night.

Oct 10 Clear at Sunrise But clouded up suddenly and threateded Rain But cleared off without a Drop. Dug at the Ditch and a hard Day we had of it. Paid Ephraim Smith Ten Dollars.

Oct 11 Clear & Pleasant. went out to Thomas Meads Settled with him. he owed & gave me his Due Bill for 75 Dollars. Sis & Secetie Galbreth went horse Back Riding.

Oct 12 Cloudy with a little Rain in afternoon But we worked all Day at our Big Ditch got very muddy.

Oct 13 Cloudy & wet. Rained all last night. spent the Day in Town. Paid John Thompson 8 70/100 Doll & Jo Siple 4 Dollars. wet all Day.

Oct 14 Cloudy & wet Rained about all Day. Rode Mike out to Hitchin Satterthwaits to buy a fat hog But he had none. Bought one of Jacob Barber cost $8.69 - 5 1/2 cents per lb live weight. gave him a check to Thomas & Greiner. Lizzie Woods Died to Day.

Oct 15 Cloudy & Raining. Butchered our hog & Run the Saw mill. Archibald Woods has a Public Sale to Day. Cloudy at Sundown.

Oct 16 Cloudy & wet all Day. Run the Saw mill Done good business.

Oct 17 Cloudy But no Rain last night. Marion Burried our Potatoes. Fitz & I Ran the Sawmill got along well. cool enough for frost.

Oct 18 Cloudy but no Rain the Day is very Pleasant. enclosed our cook House. Ezra Wait and a cousin of his who lives at Ironton Ohio visited us & took Supper.

Oct 19 Cloudy cold & wet. Ran the Sawmill all things worked well. clear at 6 O'clock PM.

Oct 20 Cloudy & cold wind blew hard in the night with Some Snow. ground frose considerable. Sawed to Day. leaves fell some But the woods is yet green. cloudy & cold all Day.

Oct 21 Cloudy & cold ground frose hard. Picked our winter apples. Jonathan Shaw Paid me 14 54/100 Dollars his lumber bill. Deposited it at Thomas & Greiner. Paid Fitz Allen 12 Dollars and Marion 7 50/100.

Oct 22 Clear & cold heavy frost. loaned Joel McMillen Four Hundred Dollars gave him a check to Thomas & Greiner. Fitz & I worked at our Deep Ditch got along well. Sold John Thompson 85 cents worth of Boards. Margaret is Poorly.

Oct 23 Cloudy & warmer with a little Rain last night. worked at the Ditch. cloudy all Day. Margaret is Better. Marion Brot our little Stove out from grandmothers.

Oct 24 Cloudy and Rained a little But not enough to stop us working at the Ditch got all Done but about 10 feet.

Oct 25 Cloudy & Rained all the forenoon. was over to Joseph Balls took Diner with him. spent the evening with Joel & Sarah McMillen. Margaret is very Poorly but is getting better.

Oct 26 Cloudy & Drizzled Rain Part of the Day. all hands worked up town to Day. Put our Engine & Brick machine in the Shop. Brought our hydraulic Ram & lead Pipe home. Thomas Spencer Paid me 2 Dollars.

Oct 27 Cloudy But Pleasant. spent the Day hunting sweet cider But found none. Thomas Callahan Paid me 87 1/2 cents for Brick he got 2 years since. Fitz Allen went to Alliance. I called at Joseph Balls to see them grinding Sugar cane & making molasses Done well.

Oct 28 Cloudy & cool. Fitz & I finished our Big Ditch to Day took 27 Days work. want to Dig the well tomorrow. Margaret attended the Anti Slavery Sewing Circle to Day. Monsuer has gone to Canfield.

Oct 29 Cloudy But Pleasant fall weather. finished our well & Ditch was 30 Days work. Monsuer got Back this evening he was to Poland also.

Oct 30 Cloudy. finished walling up our well and cut & hauled timber to Bore for fountain. Paid Fitz 2 Dollars got it of Tom Spencer all he owes me. Rained a little through the Day.

Oct 31 Cloudy & coolish. Fitz is Boring logs for Spring and I am getting out the Spokes for my log cart. Dont feel very well to Day.

Nov 1 Clear & cold stiff frost last night. a Fugitive Slave called in hunting a job will Do anything for an honest living. am going to get him a job if I can. got Back some before night got Jim no job. took Diner with Mother Goulbourn. Joel & Sarah McMillen called in a few minutes. C.C. Burleigh lectured at 2 O'clock But we knew nothing of it until it was all over.

Nov 2 Partially clear with high wind all Day. Boring logs and getting out Spokes.Pencil Sketch in the evening. (Bored logs).

Nov 3 and 4 Cloudy & warm nice Indian Sumer. got Jacob Sells Cart & hauled 8 of our own Saw logs & 6 for Samuel Chessman. Marion went Down to Aaron Votaws & Bought 2 Barrels of Sweet Cider for 5 Dollars & 13 Bushels of Apples for 1 50/100 Doll. got Back at Dark.

Nov 5 Cloudy and Rained most of the Day. Run the Saw Mill Done good business. in evening we all ____ Apples. lightning sharp & frequent in South west. windy at 9 O'clock P.M.

Nov 6 Cloudy warm and wet. Sawed all Day. heavy Rain about noon. Joseph Ball offered me his Property in the Rear of the Town Hall in Salem for my Engine me to give him 50 Dollars to Boot Paid in Sawing. am going up to See it think I shall trade.

Nov 7 Cloudy & warm. Run the Saw mill. Rained very hard all the afternoon. water Plenty of water now. making apple Butter to Day. Plenty of thunder and lightning.

Nov 8 Cloudy & warm. got up early & went to town to look at the Property Joseph Ball wants to trade to me for my Engine think I will take it. was over to his house a short time. Father & Mother Goulbourn took Diner with us. John White a very worthy Collored man was Burried to Day have known him 38 years and never heard a word spoken Disrespectful of him. very heavy Rain.

Nov 9 Cloudy & wet Rained all Day waters high. Sawed all the while. Levi Wharton came our yesterday settled and Paid me what he owed me except 2 Dollars we could not make the change.

Nov 10 Clear at Sunrise and cold with some snow on the ground But thawed and was comfortable in the Sunshine. Joseph Ball Run the mill whileI went to Town to Do some shores. (traded with Joseph Ball). Paid Mary E Sharpnack 6 25/100 Doll all I owed her. Margaret has no help now.

Nov 11 Clear & Pleasant. sawed all Day. Fitz hauled logs for Chessman. Butchered our calf sold 1 hind quarter for 1 56/100 Doll. cold night.

Nov 12 Cloudy & cool. Fitz hauled logs for Chessman. the rest of us Run the Sawmill. Rained a little through the Day.

Nov 13 Clear and cold. got up early had the Sawmill Running by Daylight. I Done some shores up Town. Joseph Ball attended to the Sawmill. clear & cold at sundown.__Clear & cold. Joseph Ball Run the Sawmill I made a sett of Patterns for Boxes for cart & Done some other shores.

Nov 14 Cloudy & cold wind in North Snowed considerable through the Day. I Put in the Day enclosing the Sawmill. clear & cold at Sundown.

Nov 15 Clear & cold as the Devil everything frose up hard as midwinter. fit in and hung the Door to our Kitchen and made a pair of outside cellar Doors. Jesse Hise took a Peice of stuff out of my eye that had been in several Days.

Nov 16 Cloudy & cold snowed some But Rained before noon. worked at the mill.

Nov 17 Cloudy & cold. worked Part of the Day at the mill. in afternoon framed at my carriage House. not so cold at sundown. wind in South west.

Nov 18 Cloudy But not cold. worked at our Carriage house. Fitz & Marion Run the Saw mill. Unkle Amos Gilbert arrived here to Day and a welcome visitor he is. J F & C Dickinson took Diner the latter is going to Stay all night. Raining hard at 7 PM.

Nov 19 Cloudy and about 8 O'clock AM commenced getting colder and snowed all Day & in the afternoon as fast as I ever saw it. hauled 6 large Saw logs. Jo West Paid me 5 Dollars. I Paid C Smith 8 Doll.

Nov 20 Cloudy & very windy & cold. Run the mill but had a hard job of it on account of the cold. Sold my Red Oxen to David Harris for one hundred Dollars cash. Reserved the yoke tho lent it to them until they can make one.

Nov 21 Cloudy windy & cold stormy all Day. Run the mill. Theodore Suliot took Diner with us glad to have him Do So. Margaret & Lizzi Dickinson visited at Sarah McMillins spent the evening very agreeable. still strong wind from Southwest.

Nov 22 Cloudy & cold. Settled with Marion owed him 32 Dollars. gave him my Due Bill. went out to Robt Marlows & Bought his Oxen for 115 Dollars gave him Thomas Meads Note for 75 Dollars & 40 Dollars in money. took Diner at J F Dickinsons.

Nov 23 Cloudy & cold snowed most of the Day. collected some money and Paid it to Fitz. Isaac Trescott Paid me 3 & Levi Wharton 2 Dollars. fenced our Barnyard and Done some work at the Sawmill.

Nov 24 Cloudy & very cold. Fitz hauled Sawlogs Cris & I choped wood in forenoon. in afternoon washed out our Boiler and quit the Sawmill until the weather modeates.

Nov 25 Clear & Pleasant thawed some in the Sun. Sewing circle met here to Day I brot them out in the Sled. Fitz hauled logs for Chessman.

Nov 26 Clear & very Pleasant. Monsuer (left in gods name) this morning he has Been Drunk for the last 3 Days. I Do not know where he went he left the new coat and Pantiloons that I Bought him. Cris & I cut two Big white Oak stumps out of the log yard and a hard job it was. snow melted some freezing to night.

Nov 27 Clear & Delightful all Day. snow melted considerable. got up Steam & Sawed this afternoon. Fitz hauled logs for Chessman. not going to freeze much to night. Margaret & Lizzie Dickinson visited Harriet Whinney the latter stays all night.

Nov 28 Clear & warm Snow melted consideable. Run the Sawmill. Paid Yerkes Howel 30 Dollars. Amos Gilbert is with us again. he Presented me a stone he cut from "Black Hawks" (the celebrated Indian Warrior) Tower in Illinois, also a small piece of the Oak Tree that he used to climb to look out for the Pale faces who had Done him so much Injustice and whose sworn Enemy he was. he is Burried on the Banks of the Demoines some 50 miles from his Tower.

Nov 29 Clear and Delightful after the hard winter we have had for a week Past. visited at Simeon Sharps with Joel & Sarah McMillen. had a Pleasant time got Back at 7 PM.

Nov 30 Cloudy & wet Rained most of the Day. Run the Sawmill. Plenty of mud and water.

Dec 1 Cloudy & warm. spent the Day in getting ready for winter. fixing up Racks for hay corn crib etc etc. cleared off fine about Sundown. Sun shone considerable through the Day.

Dec 2 Clear and Pleasant. the Boys husking corn and I am framing our carriage house.

Put on Sills & Raised one Bent.

Dec 3 Clear & Pleasant. husking corn. I Repaired the Engine which had got a little out of fix. Bailed Sharp & King on Batterns Docket for 38 Dolls.

Dec 4 Cloudy But Pleasant. ground froze a little. Running the mill to Day. Fitz hauled some logs. snowed in the evening.

Dec 5 Cloudy with about one inch of Snow that is wet. Some appearance of more falling soon. snow all melted off. Run the Sawmill. Amos Tucker was out to See me about Sawing for me. could not tell certain until monday next (I hope he will).

Dec 6 Cloudy warm & wet foggy all Day. was over to see Joseph Ball he has his Sugar house up the first Piled house in this Section of country. he has quit chewing Tobacco and his family have covenated with him to abstain from the use of Tea & coffee (all Sensible together). Roads all sufficiently muddy.

Dec 7 Clear & Delightfully warm. Amos Tucker came to Day to Run the Sawmill. George Fleck came to finish my Carriage House. Bought a quarter of Beef cost 3 85/100 Doll. Roads muddy.

Dec 8 Cloudy & Dull But no rain. the Carpenters are Both at work at the Carriage House (Ben Hilman & Fleck).

Dec 9 Cloudy & wet most of the Day. Roads as Bad as can be. Sold Amos Tucker 29 lb of Flour the first I ever Sold in my life always had to Buy.

Dec 10 Cloudy & cold snowed some and wind blowed hard from South west. Mother Hise is with us to night. colder at Dark. Bought a Saw Gumer of Dale Silver & Fitch cost 20 Dollars. gumed our Saw after night By the Stove.

Dec 11 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard. Sawmill Done good Business to Day. Carpenters got our granary ready to Shingle. Bought 18 lb of 4 D Nails. gave Chessman & Wright an order on A & Z French for $6.84 cents to Pay Wm Tompkins. I owwed him that much.

Dec 12 Clear & cold. helped Joseph Ball load up his Boiler. helped Do shores about home. Paid Amos Tucker one Dollar. carpenters got our Roof on. mended up all our log chains.

Dec 13 Clear and very Pleasant all Day. went over to Jo Balls made the joint on his Stand pipe took Diner with him. John Street Jr called in to see Cris Kineman wants to get him to make Brick.

Dec 14 Clear & Pleasant all Day. Run the Sawmill Delivered lumber etc etc. got Amos

100 lb flour of Schooleys.

Dec 15 Clear and warm. George Fleck & I framed our corn crib in forenoon. in afternoon Fitz & I hauled in 6 walnut Posts to Set it on. in squaring them up on the mill one of them came undogged and flew around until it broke the upper mulays and Bent the Saw about Double. Amos & I mended the mulays to night.

Dec 16 Clear & cloudy at intervals and warm all Day. Cris & Fitz husked corn & Amos & I Repaired up the mill. got it to Sawing by noon as good as ever.

Dec 17 Cloudy warm and threatens Rain. sett our Posts & and Raised our corn crib made a good job of it. Sarah McMillen & Hetty Ann Lukens visited us this afternoon. Rained about Sunsett at 9 O'clock is Darned muddy & wet.

Dec 18 Cloudy windy & wet. at Daylight the wind is in the west blowing a gale. took Mike up and got Hamilton to Shew him. Bought some Tallow of Charley Haise. Borrowed five Dollars of Joel McMillen want to Pay my Tax Tomorrow.

Dec 19 Cloudy & weather about the Same. at Day light George Fleck & I started to Lisbon he rode Mike & I walked to Thomas Wilsons and got one of his horses. Paid my Tax and got back by 2 O'clock. Bought a Circular Saw of McClone am to give him 500 feet of 2 3/4 walnut Scantling for it at the mill. Lizzie Dickinson is with us to Day. Bought a hog of Z Street cost 5 cents per lb. weighed 173 lb and cost 8.65. Barney Returned from California to night.

Dec 20 Clear & warm all Day. we all went to Gordons and made the wreaths for the approaching Fair got home in good time. (Barney Weaver Returned from California last night).

Dec 21 Cloudy and a little cooler. 2 of the hands husked corn until when it Rained. George Fleck & I finished our corn crib. Bought a washing Machine of Archibald Hamilton of Steubenville gave him note coming Due the first Day of April next.

Dec 22 Cloudy warm & wet. Run the Saw mill to Day. at 3 O'clock turned colder is freezing considerable to night. Roads very muddy.

Dec 23 Cloudy & cold. helped Fitz haul logs until noon then went up town & Decorated the Hall Preparitory to the Fair. Marius Robinson Ellwood Vickers & Don Lupton assisted and we got Done in good time. ground froze hard.

Dec 24 Cloudy Pleasant winter weather. helped at home until noon then went up town & assisted in Decorating the Hall. took Supper with Marius Robinson got Done in good Season.

Dec 25 Cloudy & war cleared off and was very Pleasant all Day. had a good fair

considering the hard times. I made and sold Ice cream as usual took in Ten Dollars in the evening. Paid Fitz Allen 2 50/100 Doll and Ephraim Smith 50 cents. money Scarce.

Dec 26 Cloudy & snowing with 2 inches already Down looks like winter out Doors. went to mill & in afternoon made Ice Cream & in evening sold it out at the A S Fair. tore Down & Put all our Table fixings up over head in the Hall. got home late near midnight when we went to bed. Sis Bought a Photograph of Dr E H Hane one of the best I ever Saw.

Dec 27 Cloudy & cold enough to Prevent Snow from melting and Roads good. Sett about home all Day.

Dec 28 Cloudy & Snowed considerable but melted fast. help haul Sawlogs in forenoon. in afternoon went up town. Bought 806 lb Pork cost 40 Dollars got it of David Coppic.

Dec 29 Cloudy & snowed considerable but melted fast ground wet & waters high. worked at home all Day. intended to have cut up my Pork but found enough else to keep me busy.

Dec 30 Cloudy & wet rained all Day. cut up and Salted my Pork. Roads very muddy. Paid Amos 2 Dollars.

Dec 31 Cloudy & a little colder snowing some at 7 O'clock. Amos Gilbert is with us again to Day.

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Jan 1 Clear with one inch of Snow But will all melt off to Day. Run the Sawmill. no time for Holidays hauled in some fodder.

Jan 2 Cloudy ground froze hard moderate winter weather. Spent the with Samuel Chessman and Alfred Heacock appraising the Real Estate of Anthony Gongway Deceased. we were appointed by the Probate Court.

Jan 3 Clear & cold ground froze hard. Spent the Day at home. Ben Hilman & George Fleck came over we was planning on alterations in our house.

Jan 4 Clear & warm. Ezra Wait got mike to ride Down to Fairfield to look at a farm. commenced a fan for the Sawmill.

Jan 5 Cloudy & Dull Pleasant winter weather. got 2 hands of Joel McMillen they and our 3 hands husked corn. I finished my fan. Bought one Dollars worth of Sugar.

Jan 6 Cloudy with some snow but too warm to last. Amos & I Put up the fan. Cris & Fitz hauled wood to the House. Silbie Dickison went home.

Jan 7 Cloudy & colder ground froze hard. I helped at the mill to Day fan Does well. Fitz hauled Saw Dust into the Barn yard. thawed none to Day. colder at Dark with wind in North.

Jan 8 Cloudy & cold all Day. Repaired my 2 horse wagon and helped about the Sawmill. Roads pretty good. wind in East all Day.

Jan 9 Cloudy & wind very high. Roads good. Sawed.

Jan 10 Cloudy with Dense fog at Daylight. got up early and after Breakfast hitched mike to the Carriage & Margaret & I went out to J F Dickinsons. thawed through the Day and rained some about 5 O'clock PM. we had a pleasant visit and got Back about Dark.

Jan 11 Cloudy & warm. hauled George Fleck a load of lumber and Borrowed 61 empty Bags of George Allison. want to thresh our Oats & Barley tomorrow at 12 O'clock M. the sun is shining and is as warm as a May Day. we will no Doubt have to Pay for this in frost Bitten toes.

Jan 12 Cloudy & some little colder but still Pleasant winter weather. Fitz & Cris hauled stone off the Sod ground I want to Plow. Amos & I employed our Driving Pulley for fan. Duns Came & Sett up the Machine to thresh. went to Town in evening.

Jan 13 Clear and warm all Day as Pleasant as can be. got Done threshing in good time

had 246 bushels of Oats & 60 of Barley. Roads are getting Dry.

Jan 14 Clear & Pleasant. hauled a load of Straw to George Fleck. in afternoon Fitz hauled logs. I worked at our Fan but could not sucseed in getting it to Run well. in the evening Reversed the motion of our Engine. will try that if that fails will try something else.

Jan 15 Cloudy and some little colder. helped George Fleck to line our Granery. our Sawmill Does well now. Rained part of the Day.

Jan 16 Cloudy & wet cold wind from the west. helped at the Granery. went to town in the evening. bought 7 1/2 lb Butter for Amos cost 1 20/100 Dolls. Joseph J Brooks Paid me 15 Dollars owes me 1.80 cents yet (for Brick). Roads is very muddy. Sis is up to Allen Boyles to a Party to Day.

Jan 17 Cloudy & a little colder ground froze considerable. Run about considerable was over to Sam Streets, to the Depot the Buckey Foundry Jo Balls. took Supper with Mother Hise. was at Joel McMillens this evening. writ 2 letters to Susana Frontin of Bucyrus.

Jan 18 Cloudy & cold. George Fleck finished our Granery. ground froze hard.

Jan 19 Cloudy & some warmer. Fitz & I cleaned up our Barley. in afternoon I repaired the mill. Fitz & Cris Put our grain away.

Jan 20 Clear and Pleasant all Day. got a Pair of new Boots of E Murphy cost 4 Dollars Paid him 3 of it. Paid Charley Hays 5 Dollars. in afternoon George Fleck & I hauled in Board from Town. Sow has 7 fine Pigs. Grandmother Hise is here.

Jan 21 Clear & Delightful weather as can be. helped haul in logs in forenoon. in afternoon attended the Sawmill. George Fleck is altering our Parlor. Roads muddy.

Jan 22 Clear and warm. hauled logs in forenoon. Fitz hauled stone to Day to make a toe Path to Town.

Jan 23 Clear & warm. hauled logs. Fitz still on the Road. Paid Amos 2 Dollars. Roads muddy.

Jan 24 Cloudy & warm. took Part of our Engine out to Sharps to get it repaired. Returned and helped Joseph Ball Put Down his Engine Timbers. in the evening wrote a letter to Brother Jacob of Albany Ind.

Jan 25 Cloudy and warm. Repaired my Sawmill to Day at Sharps. George Fleck is working at our Parlor. Amos has a severe head ache.

Jan 26 Cloudy with fine Showers as in April. fixed up our Sawmill in forenoon. in

afternoon hauled logs. cleared off and was very warm. Plenty of frogs and Robbins. Bought 1/2 Box of 9 By 12 glass cost 2.50.

Jan 27 Cloudy and some colder. Fitz Plowed. I assisted at the mill. Tom Sharp came to examine our Engine and found the valves worn out entirely so we had to take the most of our Engine out to get it Repaired. cold Rain toward night. Roads horrid muddy.

Jan 28 Cloudy Raw & Drizzle Rain a little. Fitz is plowing. Cris & Amos is making a Bridge across the Run to haul logs over. I have been at Sharps this afternoon helping to get our Engine Repaired. some cooler at Bedtime.

Jan 29 Cloudy & cold. all hands husking corn. I turned the hubs for my log cart. ground froze hard Roads very Rough. Jehu Fawcett was out to get stuff for a ladder 24 feet long.

Jan 30 Cloudy & cold. hauled in and husked corn got nearly all in George Fleck helped us. Fitz went to Lisbon. got our Engine home. Roads as Rough as can be. Michael Stratton Burried to Day he is an old Settler was 91 years old.

Jan 31 Cloudy & cold. Mrs Gongway widow of Anthony Gongway Burried to Day. Survived her husband about 11 months. Sett up my Engine. Mother McMillen Paid us a visit to Day was glad of it. hope she willRepeat it soon. wrote a letter to George Hise of Iowa and one to Frank Chany of Lima Allen Co Ohio. am now tired of writing and shall quit. good by January 1858.

Feb 1 Cloudy & cold. got our mill fixed up about right now. Sawed some. Stormed from the South East snowed a part of the time Prospect for Sledding.

Feb 2 Cloudy & windy snowed & Rained alternately But cold finally Prevailed. Chessman hauled logs with our Team. I worked in the mill until 1/2 Past 3. went out to see Peter Fisher wanted him to work for me but he was engaged. got Jacob Bean to try it. got home about Dark. Tom Sharp was at the mill came up took Supper & spent the evening with us. windy at 9 PM.

Feb 3 Cloudy & cold. Jacob Bean came on and is Driving our oxen. I worked on the mill. I hired on English to Farm for us he came Recommended By J Saxon he works for 10 Dollars per month. I Pasture a Cow and find him a house.

Feb 4 Clear & cold. helped on the Sawmill. George Fleck Papered our Room. sold one of my shoats for 3 Dollars Paid Amos 2 50/100 Doll of it. Jacob hauled logs for Chessman. Run the mill until 1/2 Past 9 O'clock in evening to Prevent it freezing up so hard. very cold will freeze hard to night.

Feb 5 Cloudy & cold all Day having good winter now thawed none to Day. Settled with Fitz Allen Brady owed him 17 22/100 Doll gave him Due Bill as money with me is now a cash Article.

Feb 6 Clear & cold froze hard last night everything is now froze up even our Pump But I soon loosed it and lapped more Straw around it. worked on the mill. Jacob hauled logs for Chessman. I made an axe handle to Send to Benj Ball of Iowa (the man that used to own my farm). some warmer at Dark and snowed a little.

Feb 7 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. wrote a line to Benj Ball to go with the axehandle. went to Joseph Balls & Sett his Engine. got back about Sunsett.

Feb 8 Clear & warm. Butchered our Hogs this forenoon. in afternoon cut & hauled in some logs. Amos went to shop & got a wrist made. Cris Broke it Starting the engine while it was too cold.

Feb 9 Cloudy & snowing at Daylight snowed fast until about noon. turned warm and thawed and the snow is going fast. Roads is getting muddy. went to Town and mended up my log chains. heard to Day of the Death of Wm Garrigues Son. he was a very Promising and interesting little Boy. Mother Hise is here helping Margaret Do up our Butchering work.

Feb 10 Clear & very cold more so than we have had since Nov 57. hauled 3 large Saw logs for Chessman and worked 3 hours to have the fourth but night came on us before we got it to the mill. it proved too heavy for our team.

Feb 11 Clear & cold. got Budd Forker to come over with his Oxen and helped us get in our large log. it is 3 feet 7 inches clear of the Bark and 12 feet long solid white Oak. helped at the mill in the evening. Elwood Vickers & Lady called in a short time in the evening.

Feb 12 Clear & warmer thawed considerable to Day. Roads are excellent. hauled some lumber to Town. cut some Sawlogs etc etc. Wm Garigues Son Buried to Day. got a letter from Lewis Thompson & Co Lumber Dealers of Philadelphia asking the Price of walnut lumber also one from Frank Chaney of Lima O.

Feb 13 Cloudy and very Pleasant winter weather. hauled in 8 of my best Poplar logs. commenced Snowing about noon snowed all the Ballance of the Day and is Still at it as I write at 7 O'clock PM. Sledding Pretty good.

Feb 14 Cloudy & moderate winter with 3 inches of snow good sledding. cut our Sausage meat and made a good log Sled for two horses. wrote a letter to Lewis Thompson & Co Lumber Dealers Philadelphia (snowed some).

Feb 15 Cloudy and fine sledding. Ephriam Smith cut & Jacob hauled 5 large chestnut logs to Schooleys mill to get made into Shingles. hauled our large white oak into our own mill. want to make plow beams of it.

Feb 16 Cloudy & cold. hauled a load of wood to the house & took some Plow handles to Snyder & Woodruff. helped haul Sawlogs in afternoon for Chessman. very cold.

Feb 17 Cloudy & cold. hauled Sawlogs to Day. Mary Saxon and Hal Dickinson took Diner with us. still cold and good Sleighing. Amos Gilbnert took Diner with us.

Feb 18 Cloudy & cold good Sleighing. helped haul Chessmans Sawlogs hauled in twenty five to Day.

Feb 19 Cloudy & cold snowing at Daylight. worked all Day with Chessman in the woods getting Saw logs. snowed and blowed from the East hard all Day but we stuck to it and got Done.

Feb 20 Cloudy & cold with about 8 inches of Snow we are having a good turn of winter. spent the afternoon up town. Settled with Isaac Trescott he owed and Paid me 1 16/100 Doll. Paid Amos the Dollar.

Feb 21 Cloudy & cold. Mother McMillen Mary Norris & us (Margaret Sis & I went Sleighing out to J F Dickinsons. had a good time snowed some through the Day.

Feb 22 Clear and sharp this morning cold all Day. cut some wood in forenoon. in afternoon split out 172 good spokes and threw them into the Pond to Soak the Sap out. went up town. Done something toward shoeing my logsled. Sister Phebe took little George home we could not manage him. Sawed until midnight it took us until nearly noon to thaw out. still and verry cold.

Feb 23 Clear & most all sufficiently cold. my right foot is so sore from wearing a Boot that was too tight for it that I can get nothing but a sock on this morning. Bought a Pair of Buffaloe over shoes cost 2 25/100 Doll. Bought Jacob a Pair of mittens cost 1 Dollar.

Feb 24 Clear and Pleasant all Day. snow melted considerable. Jacob hauled Slack. I worked at my lumber wheels. Margaret visited at Mother Hises. She & I spent the evening at Joel McMillens.

Feb 25 Clear and Pleasant snow still melting. Jacob hauled Slack. I worked at my wheels. Roads are excellent. Sawed about 3000 feet at the mill.

Feb 26 Clear & warm. got our horses shod. in afternoon Jacob & I hauled in the Ballance of our corn. Sarah McMillen visited this afternoon. Joel Spent the evening with us. considerable snow yet.

Feb 27 Clear & warm thawed fast to Day. Built up our Parlor fireplace. cut a few Sawlogs. spent the afternoon up town. got another Pair of Boots of Murphy am afraid they are too Small. Roads getting very muddy.

Feb 28 Cloudy & warm. Sent the Carriage into town & Brought Alfred Sheets & Lizzie out. Father Goulbourn & Mary Gee visited us. commenced Snowing about noon and is still at it as I write at 9 O'clock PM. one year ago to Day was just such another I was out in it.

Mar 1 Cloudy with plenty of snow. went to Town this morning Alfred Sheets went with me. Allen Boyle Paid me 5 76/100 Doll for lumber. Bought a pair of Boots of Bean. Sold my others to Brother Jesse. in afternoon hauled in some Saw logs had some trouble with my Oxen. they had Been Idle for sometime. Jacob hauled in a load of Slack.

Mar 2 Cloudy & snowing at Daylight. worked at my wheels in forenoon. in afternoon Jacob & I hauled logs. hauled George Fleck a load of coal.

Mar 3 Clear at sunrise and quite cold having fine winter. Jacob Hauled Lumber to town to Day. snowed a little through the Day. Plenty of logs coming in. at 5 O'clock Snowed as fast as ever I Saw it snowed for 1/2 hour. very cold weather.

Mar 4 Cloudy & very cold. Pump froze harder than any morning this winter took until noon to get it loose. in afternoon Done something at my log cart.

Mar 5 Clear & cold as ever. Amos is not here to Day. gone home to see to his Cow that Jonathan Stanley has starved about to Death. Cris & I Run the mill got along well until the fly wheel got loose when we had to quit.

Mar 6 Clear & cold. got up Steam but could Do nothing on account of our loose fly wheel. was forced to take it out to Sharps to get it Repaired. cannot get it until monday night next. weather moderated a little But weather still cold. Mary S Sharpnack is here to night. I spent the evening Reading the Age of Reason a Book I like much.

Mar 7 Clear with weather moderated some but is still cold enough to keep the snow from melting. Amos has our Horse & Carriage wants to bring his wife to Town to Day. she has been sick a long time and I fear she will never Recover. was over to Joseph Balls got his Engine about Ready to run. Margaret fixed up our Parlor and has a fire in it on my Return it is comfortable.

Mar 8 Cloudy and weather about the Same. I am Repairing my Engine to Day a hard job to get it apart. Amos Cris & Jake_are hauling in logs. thawed alittle through the Day.

Mar 9 Cloudy cold and snowing. finished Repairing my Engine and got it in its place. Cris & Jake hauled logs. got Cris a Pair of Buckskin mittens cost one Dollar.

Mar 10. Clear & considerable warmer. got our mill Started at 11 O'clock Done well. thawed fast to Day Roads muddy not going to freeze to night.

Mar 11 Cloudy & warmer. Done good Business at the mill until 3 O'clock when our

crank and fly wheel both got loose. Crumrines Paid me ten Dollars I gave it to Amos.

Mar 12 Clear & Pleasant all Day. got our mill Repaired by noon and in afternoon Done good work with it. not freezing much to night. snow not all gone yet.

Mar 13 Clear & warm frost coming out of the ground fast. worked on the mill all Day. spent the evening at Charles Griffings.

Mar 14 Cloudy and Raining at Daylight. got up early & went over to Joseph Balls to start his Engine But found Franklin to unwell to go out Doors and as he insisted on helping me I concluded in order to keep him in the house to Defer it until a more convenient Season. came Back home and after Breakfast hitched up Mike & we all three went over to Father Goulbourns and spent the Day got Back about 5 O'clock. Roads very muddy.

Mar 15 Cloudy warm & wet. hung up my meat & sett the new ashtub that I made on Saturday last and which I omited to Record in its Proper place. in afternoon went up town for Spikes. called on Ham Howel to get my Violin but the refused to let me have it. I expect to have to Repleven it on tomorrow. Rained a little to Day.

Mar 16 Cloudy & warm very Pleasant all. laid our Rail Road track before breakfast the went up town To try to get my Violin. went to Ham first and asked him to give it up Peaceably but he refused. I then very Reluctantly applied to Thomas Kennett Esq for advice who Promptly told me that my claim was good for nothing and the only way I could get was to take out letters of Administration on the Estate of Henry Boone Dec. (the former owner of the Violin. I Proceeded accordingly to take the letters and was about to mail the application to the Probate Judge when it was suggested By S.S. Griffing that perhaps Ham would settle the mater without a suit. I accordingly got Kennett to go on Reason the case with him when he consented to give it up. I was very glad of it as I Do Despise a litigation above all things. Mr Perry of Grafton Medina Co Ohio (Cousin to Boone the former owner of the Violin came out in the evening and Played a few tunes. I would like him to have it as he thinks a great Deal of it.

Mar 17 Cloudy & warm. helped some at the Saw mill & Rolled in my logs at Schooleys mill to get them made into Shingles. Amos Gilbert is here to take Supper with us & Stay all night. our Dam at the mill Broke & troubled us considerable.

Mar 18 Clear & Pleasant. worked on the mill in forenoon. Sawed an Oak log 12 feet long Belonging to Samuel Chessman that made 714 feet of Boards 1 1/8 thick. in afternoon made hooks to Put in the Smoke house. (Bottom fell out of the Roads).

Mar 19 Clear & Pleasant all Day. hung up our meat & Boiled Down our Pickle. Amos Gilbert was here to Day Probably for the last time. visited Ben & Lizzie Jones.

Mar 20 Cloudy & Pleasant. Repaired my Boat & hauled in 3 logs for Amos's House.

Marion Hoover came up to Day to hire with me. I hired him for 9 Dollars Per month and 12 Dollars for one month in harvest. Jacob Bean quit to Day. went up town and Bought a Keg of fence nails 2 Plow shares some tin Dippers and etc. Samuel Street Paid me 4 Dollars for Plank Road Paid 2 of it to Amos. Rained.

Mar 21 Cloudy & wet Rained a good shower at Daylight. got up early & went over to Joseph Balls and started his Engine and sawed a cord of wood. wind blew hard all Day. at sundown is some cooler.

Mar 22 Clear & coolish. worked at the mill. cleaned our Boiler Repaired our fan etc etc. Put in a saw I Bought of Albert Reefs cracked it in trying to Straiten it. gummed a saw for Don Holloway.

Mar 23 Cloudy & some colder. Wm Smith (Colored) is now plowing for me. hauled in some logs hauled some lumber to town hauled up 6 Telegraph Poles. got a letter from John Hise. Roads are Drying up.

Mar 24 Clear and warm wind blows the ground Dries fast. took a load of lumber to John Whinney (660 feet). Theodore Flitcraft Paid me $6.05 for sawing.

Mar 25 Clear & cloudy at intervals but no Rain. wind blew hard all Day. attended the Sawmill until noon. Amos hauled a load of coal for himself. in afternoon I helped Ephraim Smith work at his house. mud is about all gone on the Road.

Mar 26 Clear & Pleasant with fine breese all Day Dries the ground fast. helped about the mill until noon. in afternoon Drove the Spokes in log Cart. Amos Gilbert is with us to night.

Mar 27 Clear & Cloudy at intervals but very pleasant. worked at wheels in forenoon. in afternoon took a small load of lumber to Town. took Amos Gilbert and his trunks up town. on bidding me farewell he pressed my hand affectionately and told me he never expected to meet me again as he was going East never to Return. this made me feel sad as he has been a cherished friend for the last twenty two years I shall still hope to see him again. Peace be with him wherever he goes.

Mar 28 Cloudy & wet. got up early & Rode Mike Down to Daniel Howels to hire a Miss Hively to come and help Margaret this summer. She promised to come & I am going to go Down after her one week from tomorrow. got Back in time for breakfast after which I went up town and Rimmed one of my large wheels. took Diner at Jesse Hises. Dull all Day. Roads muddy.

Mar 29 Clear & frosty ground froze. worked at my wheels. Sent George Hises Deed to him by Joseph Gongway. Joseph Ball Started to Pittsburgh and will pass west in a Day or two on his way to Iowa.

Mar 30 Clear & frosty but very pleasant weather. finished my wheels to Day. Roads good again.

Mar 31 Clear & warm fine weather. sett out 12 small Sugar trees. made a harrow for Elizah Bennett. Marion Came to Day will commence work on tomorrow.

Apr 1 Partially clear & cloudy at intervals with some appearance of Rain. Robert Turner came on to Day to work a year for one hundred and twenty Dollars a year. I am to furnish him a house & Cow Pasture. everything went well to Day. Sold Samuel Sheets our Red Cow for thirty Dollars and 3 hogs for ten Dollars and the calf the has when it is four Days old.

Apr 2 Clear & very Pleasant. Started the Plow at noon. Robert & I worked about the mill. in the afternoon I went Down to David Galbreaths and Bought a cow am to give him 25 Dollars.

Apr 3 Clear & warm. hauled logs. worked about the mill. sent some lumber to Town. looks like Rain. ground is getting Dry. (Cris quits to Day)

Apr 4 Clear & very warm. Old Mother Baum who Settled here in 1803 and lived to the great age of 96 years (lacking but about 2 months) Died at 9 O'clock to Day. she came from Germany when a mere child and was sold to Pay her Passage. Blowed and Rained some about 4 O'clock P.M. Ezra Wait & Sister Lizzie (his wife) visited us.

Apr 5 Clear & quite Pleasant in fore part of the Day. went Down to Dan Howels an Brot our hired girl up Sis went with me. the hands hauled in some logs. gumed our Saw. Jesse Hise took Supper with us and he & I Played a few games of Ukre.

Apr 6 Cloudy & cold. helped at the mill until noon. went in to town & sett my cart Boxes. Samuel Street Sent and got his hogs. Paid me for them he Paid Tom Hanneford Amos Tuckers ____ (30.00).

Apr 7 Clear & mighty frosty ground froze considerable. sowed our Oats. I & Jesse ironed my wheels. sold Samuel Chessman 4 Pigs for 5 Dollars. Robt our Englishman Sprained his Back and went home. Settled with Cris Kineman gave him my Due Bill for 51 Dollars.

Apr 8 Cloudy & windy But no rain. helped Jesse Do something at my Cart. hauled some lumber up town. Spent the evening at Joel & Sarah.

Apr 9 Cloudy & windy with a good shower of Rain. Cleared up warm. all hands at work at the Board Kiln. finished the Woodwork of my Cart. Brot out 2 stones and Put them under our Board Kiln.

Apr 10 Clear & cloudy at intervals. helped Jesse iron my cart got it about Done.

Ephraim Murphy Paid me fifteen Dollars want it to pay for a Cow. got our Board Kiln Done and Put fire to it.

Apr 11 Cloudy and wet all Day. Marion went Down to David Galbreath and Brot our Cow home. I forged the Screw for my Cart. in afternoon went over to See Eb Fawcett & to rent his house for Amos Tucker. ground very wet.

Apr 12 Cloudy & wet. got my cart Done. Isaac Mendenhall Paid me 3 Dollars I Paid it to Tom Sharp for making the Screw for my cart.

Apr 13 Cloudy & wet. got my Cart home & hauled in several logs. Roads muddy. (Mark commenced).

Apr 14 Cloudy windy and very Pleasant. E Murphy Paid me 7 Dollars I Paid Pius Been what I owed him 5.08 cts and then Bought a Pair of shoes of him for Lydia & had them charged to me cost 1.60cts. Unkle Amos Gilbert is here to night for the last time. he starts in a Day or two for the East. Peace be with him.

Apr 15 Cloudy & wet Rained considerable last night. Mark & I resett the line fence between us and James Woodruff in forenoon. in afternoon hauled logs. I Bought me Coat & Pantiloons of McClemens Paid them with lumber for their Mother 13 50/100 Doll worth. Dried considerable to Day.

Apr 16 Cloudy and Pleasant. made fence until noon. in afternoon Margaret & I went up town and Sett for our Pictures (at Jesse Ducks). Amos Gilbert wanted them he Starts East tomorrow. we took Supper with him at John Demings and took final leave of him.

Apr 17 Clear & cloudy at intervals. made some fence hauled lumber to town & brot our some Brick to Repair our Boiler. clear & cool at sunsett. Lydia Rode Mike home.

Apr 18 Clear and cloudy at intervals. James Hoy & I Repaired our Boiler wall got Done by 11 O'clock. Rained a little in afternoon. sett out a Sumak bush in the Door yard.

Apr 19 Cloudy & wet Dull all Day. worked around the mill. Mark hauled logs. Put on my new Cord Pantaloons for the first.

Apr 20 Cloudy & Dull. worked at the Sawmill. in afternoon made fence. at 5 O'clock a heavy shower of Rain.

Apr 21 Cloudy & cool. Mark hauled logs in forenoon. in afternoon he & I hauled a load of hay from Joseph Balls. Done something at the fences. warmer at Sundown. (Paid Holiday 3.25 for cutting wood.

Apr 22 Clear and very Pleasant all Day. Amos Tucker moved to Day. the Ballance of us made the line fence between me & Joseph Ball made a good job of it.

Apr 23 Cloudy and wet Rained considerable cool and very Disagreeable. spent the Day in the Sawmill. Mark hauled lumber. cloudy and cold all Day.

Apr 24 Cloudy & cold snowed a very little Disagreeable weather. worked among the lumber. in afternoon went to Town. Ephraim Murphy Paid me 173 Dollars all he owes me that is Due this Spring. Paid Jake Been 11 Dollars all I owed him.

Apr 25 Clear & cold at Sunrise ground froze some. the fruit injured if not Killed. spent part of the Day up Town finishing a couple of Toy Horses for Sarah McMillens little Boys. in afternoon we visited Joel & Sarah Mr & Mrs Grizzell. Ben & Lizzie Jones called in and we all took Supper with them. cold all Day but cloudy.

Apr 26 Cloudy & cold. helped at the Sawmill in forenoon. in afternoon made some small Dogs for Sawmill. cold all Day.

Apr 27 Cloudy & cold ground froze considerable. worked on the mill to Day. cold and Disagreeable. Mark & I took our Potatoes out of the ground and brot them in.

Apr 28 Cloudy & cool all Day. worked among the lumber to Day. nothing more to say so I Put my Pen away.

Apr 29 Cloudy & warm Drizzled Rain a part of theDay. Spent most of the Day up town. Mark hauled logs for Jesse Hise. I Paid Tom Sharpnack ten Dollars on account. Bought Amos Tucker a Rocking chair cost a Dollar. Bought 2 bushels of Dried apples cost 2 50/100 Doll.

Apr 30 Cloudy wet. hauled lumber most of the Day. in afternoon we hauled a load of Hay from Joseph Balls. Rained hard about 6 O'clock PM. Lizzie Sensenbaugh is here to night. cloudy & Dark at 9 .

May 1 Cloudy & wet. Rained most of the Day. I Repaired Harness & the rest worked on the mill.

May 2 Clear & cool in morning but toward the middle of the Day it is very Pleasant. Sent Marion over to Joseph Grissells a Distance of 9 miles to get me one Bushel of seed Corn ours is all winter Killed. Pasture is now pretty good. ground very wet. (got no corn).

May 3 Cloudy & cool in forepart of the Day. Built fence at the South end of the mill. Lizzie Sesenbaugh went home to Day. Mark hauled a load of Slack.

May 4 Cloudy & wet Rained most of the Day. commenced grading in front of the House but the ground is too wet. Paid Ephraim Smith 2 Dollars.

May 5 Cloudy & wet Rained all the afternoon. ground is too wet to Do anything with.

got a letter from George Hise of Iowa. hauled a Bill of lumber to town.

May 6 Cloudy & wet all Day. Rained most of the night last night. Repaired the Harness. Bought Mark a Pair of Boots cost 4 Dollars (of Bean).

May 7 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. Piled lumber & made a stone Boat for Allen Boyle. Mark hauled lumber Slack Shingles & logs.

May 8 Partially clear and verry Pleasant all Day. Piked our meadow hauled Sand logs & lumber. ground Drying fast.

May 9 Clear & Pleasant. spent the Day Drafting a Design for our house. Rained a smart shower about 2 O'clock. took Diner at the Farquhar House.

May 10 Cloudy and threatens Rain. Mark Plowed I hauled lumber to town. in afternoon went to westley Cook and bought 3 Pecks of seed corn cost 95 cents. Rained some toward evening.

May 11 Cloudy & wet Rained all night. Mark & I Piled up manure in the Barn yard. turned our Oxen out to grass for the first time. Rained oncommon hard at one O'clock waters high. got a letter from Brother Jacob.

May 12 Cloudy in morning but cleared off and was Pleasant before night. went up town to Buy some notions and while on the Street was accosted By Joseph Thomas the Banker and informed that I was on Paper at his Bank for some 2 thousand Dollars as Bail, and unless it was Speedily Settled he should Push the concern. I knew at once that some mistake had occured as I had endorsed for no one for some considerable time. we Repaired to his office and on examining the Signature I Pronounced it a forgery at once. he was Perfectly astounded. we went forthwith to the guilty Party (whom I will not name here). he confessed his guilt at once and agreed to make all Right with Thomas. I left and came home with a sad Heart for the weakness of my fellow man. in afternoon met with James Doud & Lady. Margaret & I spent the evening at Charles Griffings in their company. cool but will be no frost to hurt.

May 13 Clear & warm. the Sawmill is standing still to Day as Amos has a sick child. Marion & I hauled Lumber to town and Done some other shores. ground Dries fast but is yet too wet to Plow for corn. took Supper with Mother Hise. Bought a scrap Book.

May 14 Cloudy with considerable Rain last night. hauled a small lot of studding up town. brot my Bellows & Anvil out in afternoon. help Mark haul logs. Sarah McMillen visited here to Day. Paid Mark 2 Dollars.

May 15 Cloudy with a little Rain last night. Amos was called away from the mill about 11 O'clock. his son Isaac was thought to be Dieing. in afternoon we hauled a load of Lumber to town and Mark went to mill.

May 16 Cloudy & cool. went over to Amos's his child was still alive at ten O'clock. Returned and John Gordon & Lady soon arrived we had a good visit from them. Jesse Hise & wife came out toward evening. Lydia Rode Mike Down to Don Howels got back about Dusk.

May 17 Cloudy and cool. got word at breakfast that Amos's child was Dead. Marion is harrowing with Black Oxen. James Woodruff has the Red ones Rooling logs & Mark is Plowing with the Horses. I Planted Potatoes. Rained and blowed hard at 5 O'clock. ground wet again. David Woodruff who has carried on the Coach Making Business in Salem for 21 years Absconded last night leaving his affairs in a Deplorable condition. I went up at sunsett and every Body appeared to be Pitching in. he owed me 120 Dollars but I was ashamed to Pitch in would Rather loose it. came home late.

May 18 Cloudy But no Rain to Day. attended the funeral of Amos child and spent the Ballance of the Day up town. have had some more Paper with my name forged on it Presented for Payment. I now know of about 38 hundred Dollars in all. I am truly sorry that Woodruff should have thought it necessary to resort to such means to Raise money But Poor human nature is weak. after Dark heard from him. he sold a Buggy to Wm Kelly at Minerva Stark Co Ohio and left the Horse (that he got from Crumrines at the Union Hotel in Louisville in th SameCo. wrote back to that effect and is supposed to have taken the western train. (Mark & Marion Planted Potatoes. clear Starlight at nine O'clock.

May 19 Cloudy but no Rain to Day. Mark finished Plowing our Corn ground. Marion Harrowed a Part of it. Amos & I run the Sawmill. wrote a letter to J F Hise of New Albany Ind. some frost this morning.

May 20 Cloudy with a Big shower of Rain about Day light. helped at the mill to Day. cold and Raw all Day. wrote a letter to G W Hise of Iowa.

May 21 Clear in the early Part of the Day But soon Clouded up and kept cool all Day. made a little garden. Mark marked out corn ground this afternoon. cloudy at Dark. James Shinn Burried to Day.

May 22 Clear and Delightful all Day. Planted all our Corn to Day. some of the ground is Pretty wet. got Done 1/4 before 5 PM. Margaret Sis & I went Down to see Mother Goulbourn she is Poorly. cool and a little cloudy at 8 O'clock PM.

May 23 Clear at Sunrise but soon clouded up. Kate foaled last night has an excellent Colt Female and Black. we Chrissened it Topsy. visited at J F Dickinson with John Gordon. went with Robt Marlow to look at his Cattle he has some good ones. Bought a mill Saw of him for five Dollars. he is to leave it at Joel McMillens and Draw his Pay. Rained a little about 10 Ock. Margaret has gone to Stay all night with Mother Goulbourn she is unwell.

May 24 Cloudy & wet. Rained most of the forenoon. hauled logs for our Barn Timber. Carpenters come on to Day we were not Ready for them but must knock round. took my old Buggy up to Louis ____ to get a new Top.

May 25 Cloudy & wet Rained about all Day. worked at the Sawmill getting our Barn Timber. Bought one Dollars worth of Coffee.

May 26 Cloudy & wet. hauled some lumber to town between Showers. Mark hauled in logs and took one load of lumber to Holloways Mill for the school House. the Carpenters commenced framing at the Barn.

May 27 Cloudy & wet. Rained considerable in forenoon. all hands Busy getting timber for Barn. cloudy at Bedtime.

May 28 Cloudy & clear at intervals but no Rain to Day. Busy getting Barn timber. Jacob Paxton was out to Day and Presented a Note of 8 Hundred Dollars on which David Woodruff has forged my signature. he talked like making an effort to have him arrested. cool at Sundown. my corn is coming up.

May 29 Cloudy & wet all Day. hauled some lumber spent the afternoon up town. Deposited 150 Dollars at Thomas & Greiners. heard that the Bank had 8 hundred Dollars of forged Paper from D Woodruff which makes 46 hundred Dollars with my name forged thereon. Bought Marion 3 50/100 Doll worth of clothes at M Clemens & 2 Dollars worth at Thos Sharpnacks. Bought a saw & files and inch auger at Chessman & Wrights for Anthony Fisher cost in all 4 51/100 Dolls.

May 30 Cloudy & warm. made a good Saddle girt. Lydia rode Mike home. Milton Taylor came out before I was up to see about moving our Barn. I spent the Day taring Down fences and getting things Ready. Mother Hise is here to Diner as smart as ever tho she has just told me she is about 71 years of age.

May 31 Cloudy & wet. sent Kate Down to Unity By Jim Post. Mark hauled lumber & Slack. Rained and blowed hard from the north west. ground is very wet. got a letter from J F Hise & one from Elizabeth Taylor. Paid Ephraim Smith 53 50/100 Dolls (on note on Robt Hole. Read the Liberator until late. (Paid Tom Sharpnack 5 Dollars lifted a Due Bill.

Jun 1 Clear at Sunrise. Milton Taylor came to move our Barn got it Part way. warm and Pleasant all Day. Sumner Stearns (one of our Carpenters) cut his foot Bad with the adz had to go home.

Jun 2 Clear & warm all Day. took our Barn as far as we want it at Present against noon. in afternoon I fixed up fence and Mark hauled lumber. Received a Notice of Protest note on which David Woodruff forged my signature. it is given to John Fetters and calls for

208 Dollars.

Jun 3 Cloudy and threatens Rain. marked out our Barn cellar. went Down to B Bowns to get his Ox cart took Diner with them. Rained a good part of the afternoon.

Jun 4 Cloudy & wet with considerable Rain last night. Mill stood to Day. all hands went to help Joshua Davis Raise his Barn got Done in time. wind blew some all Day and at 6 O'clock PM a perfect gale and a few minutes after we had a heavy Rain. went over to see Zadok French about buying a Horse for Bro Jesse.

Jun 5 Cloudy and threatened Rain all Day. Mark & I commenced the Barn cellar. in afternoon I went to town met Wm Yates to whom I was Bail for David Woodruff in the sum of two hundred Dollars. he threw off all the interest that had accrued thereon and gave me until the first of April 1859 to Pay it in. I think I can Do that. John Street Paid 21 Dollars all he owed me.

Jun 6 Cloudy & wet Rained considerable in the night and this morning looks as though we should have nothing but Rain for a Century to come (it May change). John & Angeline Deming visited us to Day. I wrote a letter to Amos Gilbert.

Jun 7 Clear & warm all Day. Mark & I carted the Sod off of our Barn cellar the Carpenters left for a few Days. Hired Fitz Allen Brady for one month give him 13 Dollars he is to come in the morning.

Jun 8 Clear and warm all Day at Sundown looks a little like Rain. Fitz Allen Brady commenced work & we graded our fence Row from the House to Chessman corner. Jenny (our Cow) has a fine calf. since noon Paid Amos Tucker 50 cents. got a quarters worth of Tomato Plants of Benj Bown.

Jun 9 Clear & cloudy at intervals at times threatens Rain but the Day passed over without it. Plowed and scraped out our Barn cellar. the Saw Mill stood to Day. Amos worked at home. Bought a new long handled shovel.

Jun 10 Cloudy with a smart shower of Rain at sunrise. Mark hauled logs in forenoon. Fritz &I Dug cellar in afternoon. all hands worked and Replanted corn.

Jun 11 Cloudy & wet Rained all night. Run the Sawmill so wet we could Do nothing else Rained all Day. the ground is about as wet as it can be. sett a new gate post.

Jun 12 Cloudy & wet Rained all night. water too high to Saw to Day. Amos fixed up our new saw. Mark hauled in a few logs in the forenoon. in afternoon we all went up town where I spent the time to little Purpose. Bought Marion a Couple of hats cost $2.60 cts. Drew 65 Dollars at Thomas & Greiners and paid James Brown for the Bay horse I Bought of him. Jesse has him at work on the Brick yard. I want him for a Buggy horse this fall.

Jun 13 Cloudy & wet Drizzled Rain a little through the Day. sun shone but once and then only for a minute or two. I sat in the house all Day. made a halter for the Colt. 2 of Lydia Brothers took Diner with us after which Lydia rode "Mike" out to her unkle Enos. no Prospects of a clear up yet. great Damage is Done by the high water. Zadok Street Returned on Friday from Philadelphia where had been immured in Prison for obtaining Money under false Pretenses. he gave Bail for his appearance at a future Day in the Sum of 12000 Dollars. (I think if the truth were known a sett of unprincipled Scoundrels undertook to swindle the Community through Zadok by getting him to circulate Bills that were worthless and he Proved to be a little too Sharp for them and they have had him arrested to screen themselves from the indignity of an outraged community.

Jun 14 Clear & Pleasant all Day. we Dug at our Barn cellar got it about Ready for the Masons. Bonar brought another load of lime making 50 Bushels in all Paid him9 Dollars for it. gave him an order on Joel McMillen for the money. sent a letter to E L Taylor of Bucks Co Pa.

Jun 15 Clear and Pleasant all Day. some cloudy in the afternoon. got our cellar about Ready for the masons. Bought 6 Beaver Buckets cost one Dollar. cool at sundown.

Jun 16 Clear all Day. quaried and hauled stone until noon. in afternoon Mark hauled Slack. Fitz & I worked in the corn. Zadok Street appointed assigners to Day Thomas Kennett Esq. & Mr Tabor are the men. took Pied to Robt Duns.

Jun 17 Clear & warm all Day. Mark & I quarried Stone & Fitz Allen harrowed corn. no masons here yet I am getting impatient.

Jun 18 Clear and very warm all Day. Mark hauled in logs. Fitz worked in the corn. Planted some Potatoes. I made a sett of Cultivator teeth. Paid Mark 5 Dollars.

Jun 19 Clear & very warm until about 4 O'clock PM when it clouded up and Rained hailed and Blowed hard swelled the Brooks considerable. Mark hauled logs Fitz Allen cultivated the corn got Done just before the Rain. he & I took a load of lumber up to James McGee worth $4.18 cts. Paid him for a Side of Harness leather and a Dollar he had over Paid me for Bark.

Jun 20 Clear and very warm. hitched up Mike in his new harness. took Margaret up to See Jane Trescott who is very Sick (Indeed we heard on last evening that she was Dead) (but proved to be a false Report. she is still alive and they hope some Better. from there we went Down to father Goulbourns. he showed us the likeness of his Brother John and his wife. he was married last November and is now about 72 years of age. this is his second wife he courted the first one 40 years and married her at 60. she Died ____ years. Margaret is up at Jones Trescotts staying all night.

Jun 21 Clear & very warm all Day. the Masons commenced the Stone work of Barn.

Mark & I hauled Stone. sold George Fleck 5 Bushels of lime. Bought 1/2 a cheese cost 2 43/100 an excellent one it is.

Jun 22 Clear & warm. hauled stone all Day. went up town. at noon Isaac Crumrine Paid me 5 Dollars on acct. Bought one Dollars worth of Coffee & 1 Dollars worth of Sugar.

Jun 23 Clear & warm. Mark hauled Slack. Fitz worked the corn oxen almost gave out. Mark was very careful or he could not have got them home. Jane Trescott Died at 1/2 Past 9 this morning. cloudy some in afternoon but no Rain here.

Jun 24 Clear and very warm. hauled Stone in forenoon. at noon we had a fine Rain. at 3 O'clock we attended the funeral of Jane Trescott. some very impressive Remarks were made By Isaac (her husband) and Marius R Robinson. got a large Rock in our Barn Cellar. Rachel Sharpnack Died to Day.

Jun 25 Clear and very hot. hauled stone until noon. in afternoon attended the funeral of Rachel Sharpnack. all the Rest knocked off as it Rained hard at 3 O'clock. Paid Marion a Collar.

Jun 26 Clear & warm all Day. hauled stone getting along pretty well with the cellar. lent Jesse Hise 50 Dollars. he Deposited with me for Security a Note on John Hise for one Hundred Dollars. Circus here to Day and one yesterday which I ommited to mention in the Proper place.

Jun 27 Clear at Sunrise but at 8 O'clock AM clouded up and is Raining as I write. James Doud and his Lady visited us had a very Pleasant time.

Jun 28 Clear & warm all Day. hauled Stone until ten o'clock. in afternoon Repaired my ox wagon. cool at 8 O'clock P.M.

Jun 29 Clear & very warm. the masons finished our Barn Cellar to Day 66 1/2 Perch of Stone in it an excellent wall. worked our Potatoes in afternoon. no Prospects of Rain.

Jun 30 Clear & very warm. our Oxen gave out at 10 O'clock. we was forced to haul in logs after night.

Jul 1 Clear & warm all Day. hauled logs early in morning and late at night. sold John Negus 2 Dollars worth of lumber. Bought 2 Bushels of Potatoes cost 40 cents per Bushel. clouded up a little about Sunsett.

Jul 2 Clear and to Day is warm. we Put the timbers on our Barn cellar to Day. had a fine Shower about 3 O'clock P.M. got Done at five. Phillip Evans Paid me his Billfor Sawing 7.77 cents.

Jul 3 Cloudy in the morning but before noon cleared off and is very warm. hauled logs

went to mill etc. Paid Jehu Fawcett 25 Dollars in money. Settled with T.C. Boone Paid him a Ballance of 91 cents. had a fine Rainabout 1/2 Past 5 PM. Father Goulbourn took Supper with us But could not stay all night.

Jul 4 Clear and coolish since the Rain. went out to Tom Sharp and made 6 Bolts and Put them through the Hubs of my log Cart. Mother Hise & Lizzie Wait took Supper with us.

Jul 5 Clear & Pleasant all Day. got up early and hauled in logs until Breakfast. Milton Taylor came and commenced moving our Barn onto the foundation. got a gallon of Vinegar of Phillip Evans.

Jul 6 Clear & Pleasant. got our Barn on the foundation by noon. Milton charged me 15 Dollars for the job cheap enough. Paid him five Dollars. helped Chessman put up his fork for unloading hay by horse Power.

Jul 7 Clear & very warm. Mark & I Dug out the Cellar and made the Bridge so that we can Drive into the Barn. to Day is the last we shall Saw until after Harvest.

Jul 8 Clear & warm. Bought some Ice, a new Scythe and commenced mowing our clover grass mowed about 3 acres. very warm to Day.

Jul 9 Clear & warm. laid our Barn floor and hauled five load of first rate hay. Did not mow any to Day.

Jul 10 Clear & warm. some clouded up toward evening. we cradled and shocked up our wheat. had 95 1/2 Dozen and 3 Acres got Done about 8 in the evening. Rained a few minutes after we finished.

Jul 11 Cloudy & wet. got up in good time. went over to Joseph Balls and got timber for cradle fingers. Put 2 in after which I slept. spent all the Ballance of the Day lounging about the house.

Jul 12 Cloudy & wet Rained most of the Day. Mark hauled some logs. Florine Stafford came out from Pitt to Day Sis is in a great glee. went up town and Brot her out.

Jul 13 Cloudy & Dull. Run the Sawmill. Mark hauled logs and I hauled lumber. Sis and Florine are up town. hard shower at 2 O'clock I got wet.

Jul 14 Cloudy and Dull most of the Day but towards night cleared off. Mark hauled a load of Slack 3 loads of Sand and he & I made a Road to haul in Hay on.

Jul 15 Partially clear and warm. mowed some more of our clover grass. at noon worked corn until Supper after which we hauled in one laod of hay we had Dry.

Jul 16 Partially clear. worked our corn hauled in what hay we had Dry. looks some like

Rain.

Jul 17 Cloudy & Dull. Put sleepers on our Barn laid the floor and hauled in our wheat got Done about 4 O'clock PM when it commenced Raining had a fine Rain. Paid Marion & Mark each 5 Dollars. got a line from John Hise.

Jul 18 Cloudy & Dull But cleared off through the Day. went to Warick Martins & Borrowed an Ox yoke. in evening took a Ride with Margaret & Mother Hise.

Jul 19 Clear & warm. mowed until noon. in afternoon hauled it in. took up a load of Plank to Mr Harrison Moore.

Jul 20 Clear & warm. finished mowing this morning and cut an acre and a half for Amos Tucker. hauled ours all in. not a Drop of Rain on any of it. Joseph Ball Returned from Iowa.

Jul 21 Clear & warm. Raked our wheat Stubble and hauled in Amos Hay. Settled with Joseph Thomas he owed me 175 Dollars and 89 cents. I left one hundred on Deposit. Paid five Dollars of out and lent 70 of it to Joel McMillen (without interest). looks some like Rain at 8 O'clock.

Jul 22 Clear and Pleasant. had a fine Rain last night. got up early and cut Down one of Chessmans meadows making the Hay on Shares. moved our Wheat into the Barn.

Jul 23 Cloudy and cool some appeaance of Rain. got up early and Bought Beef & Mutton. made and hauled in all our Hay except 2 loads. will haul that in the morning.

Jul 24 Clear & warm. took in the Ballance of our hay got all Done up by noon after which I went to Town. mended up my log chains Ready for operating on monday next. got a letter from George.

Jul 25 Clear and cool for time of year. Put a finger on our Cradle and Rough out an axe Handle. visited at John Gordons met Samuel Mires there had a very Pleasant visit.

Jul 26 Clear & warm. Mark is working our corn. I helped about the mill in afternoon. Amos & Marion Dug the foundation of Amos's House. I collected some money. Paid Fitz Allen Brady 9 Dollars owe him 4 yet. Bought 4 Bushels of Dried apples gave 5 Dollars for them. heard from David Woodruff he is in Texas.

Jul 27 Clear & warm. helped all Day at the corn. Amos & Marion washed out the Boiler. sawed in afternoon. Bought Paper for Bedroom. looks some like Rain at sundown.

Jul 28 Clear & warm. Mark & Marion Cradled our Oats. Amos & I Repaired the Sawmill. I Paid Sharp & King one Hundred Dollars gave them a Certificate of Deposit on

Thomas & Greiner. clouded up and looked like Rain in evening.

Jul 29 and 30 Cloudy and Dull some Rain about 8 O'clock in the morning but soon cleared off. got the mill Started at ten O'clock. in afternoon Mark & I hoed corn. Mrs Chub of Cleveland and her mother & sister Jane Sheets visited us Father & Mother Goulbourn also Mary Gee Pleasant time.

Jul 31 Cloudy with a little Rain in morning. Mark finishedhoeing our corn. I worked on the Mill.

Aug 1 Cloudy and Dull all Day with a little Rain. Mother Hise & Libby Wait took Diner with us.

Aug 2 Cloudy & Dull all Day some Rain. Mark hauled a load of Slack. I helped about the mill. Bought a Barrel of Salt cost 162 cents. 3 Dollars worth of Sugar it on the Rise worth more 10 cents per lb.

Aug 3 Cloudy & wet. Mark & I hauled stones for Amos House. finished Sawing Chessmans logs to Day. Margaret visited at Father Goulbourns with Mrs Chub.

Aug 4 Cloudy & wet with quite a Shower at 6 O'clock A.M. Cleared off and was Partially clear until about 6 O'clock PM when it Rained hard. Received a line from R Garrigues Esq giving me notice of a Note being left with him for collection calling for 552 Dollars Payable at the Bank of Salem and given By David Woodruff to Winslow & Co Urbana Ohio with my name forged on as Security. I filed my Afidavat that I never signed it and so the matter rests as Present. got in one load of Oats before the Shower.

Aug 5 Cloudy & Dull a good Part of the Day. we all worked about the Saw Mill. Paid Anthony Fisher 25 Dollars on account. no Rain to Day. (Atlantic telegraph laid).

Aug 6 Partially clear & warm. wrote a letter to Moses Townsend & I to J F Hise. altered the wheel Pattern for log car and got 4 nice ones cast. Bought $9.86 cents worth of iron for our Rail Road. the rest of our help got our oats in.

Aug 7 Cloudy and warm looked some like Rain but none fell. Bored out my wheels & Rail Road iron. not very well and am very tired. Mrs Wm McLeran visited us.

Aug 8 Clear & warm. Sarah Sharp & Daughter Rebecca with her husband took tea with us. Samuel Majers called out a short time took Jenny to Fawcetts.

Aug 9 Clear and Pleasant. got up early. Mark & I hauled a load of Sand before breakfast after which we all commenced working on the Road but at ten O'clock it commenced to Rain and we knocked off. I went to Sharps and worked at my car.

Aug 10 Cler and very warm. all worked on the Road.

Aug 11 Clear & warm. all worked on the Road until noon when it Rained a good show. we then Pryed up our wood house and got it Ready to move.

Aug 12 Clear & warm all Day. got our wood house moved I Put in the foundation. the rest worked on the Road.

Aug 13 Clear & warm. Mark worked on the Roads. Marion & Amos hauled Stone for Amos house. Settled with G Chessman he owed & Paid me $220 5/100 gave me an order on Chessman Wright I settled with them. my account with them was 115 37/100. I Paid Sharp & King 50 Dollars Milton Taylor 10 Dollars. the Ballance they owe me yet I shall want it in Oil, Paint, glass nails etc etc. David Scattergood Paid me 4 85/100. Simeon Webb Paid me 1.84 cents for lumber. I Paid John Thompson 5 Dollars for 1/2 Barrel of Fish. Paid Fitz Allen Brady 3 Dollars (By Crumrine) finished the iron work of my car.

Aug 14 Clear & warm all Day. Amos & I made anew Car & ironed the Rail Road into the Sawmill. Mark hauled logs & Slack. Cris Kepler called to see us had not Saw him for 25 years.

Aug 15 Clear at Sunrise but soon clouded up and looked like Raining. all hands went for Elder Berries got about 3 Bushels got home before night.

Aug 16 Clear and warm. Mark commenced hauling out our Manure. I hauled logs some of my own & some of Joel McMillans. hauled a load of lumber up town. Bought a Barrel of flax Seed Oil cost 34 Doll for 44 gallons including one Dollar for the Barrel.

Aug 17 Clear & warm all Day. I hauled logs & lumber Mark hauled Manure. Running the mill.

Aug 18 Clear and warm. hauled up lumber for our Barn the Carpenter came again to Day. hauled in 4 logs in afternoon. Rained a fine shower at 4 PM. Paid Amos one Dollar. (coon hunting last night first time in 33 years.

Aug 19 Clear and Pleasant. hauled no logs to Day mill not Running. Amos is visiting Marion & I Drained the Cellar & wheeled Dirt into the Carriage House.

Aug 20 Clear and Pleasant until about noon when it clouded up and was very Pleasant. hauled logs all Day.

Aug 21 Cloudy & Dull. Mark finished hauling out Manure. Our Daughter with her Friend Florine E Stafford started on the 10 O'clock Train Pittsburgh to Stay a week. Lydia accompanied them as far as Columbiana & Returned at 5 PM. brot Margaret Haines with her to Stay a Day or two. Marion went to Uncle Davids.

Aug 22 Clear & cool for time of year. all hands went visiting to Yerkes Howels except

myself. I cleaned out our Cellar after which I went out to Jim Bennets to see a Steer to match Bob the Best match I have yet found. from there I walked across to John Gordons. Met Marius Robinson & his family. took supper with them walked home.

Aug 23 Clear & cloudy at intervals all Day and quite cool almost enough so for frost. Mark hauled logs all Day. I helped about the Saw mill took a load of curb Plank up to Mr Manly. Margaret Haines Returned Home to Day. Warrick Martin & his Brother in law Thomas McFarlan are both Reported broken up.

Aug 24 Clear & cool no Prospect of Rain. Mark commenced Plowing our wheat ground. I hauled logs & lumber.

Aug 25 Clear & warm all Day. hauled logs. nothing more to Say.

Aug 26 Cloudy & Dull all Day. hauled logs & lumber. Joseph Sharpnack Died this morning with the Putrid Sore throat. Rained in the evening.

Aug 27 Cloudy & Dull Drizzling Rainbut Does not wet the ground much. attended the Funeral of little Joseph Sharpnack at ten O'clock. got a letter from our Daughter she is well Pleased with her visit.

Aug 28 Cloudy & wet Rained most of the Day. worked at the Barn finishing off the Horse Stables. spent most of the afternoon up town. Bought 50 lb Crakers of John Thompson cost 6 cents per lb. Paid Mark 5 Dollars.

Aug 29 Cloudy & cool. Margaret & Marion went after elder Berries. I worked at the Barn until noon. so cold we have to keep up fires. Ezra Wait spent the afternoon & evening with us.

Aug 30 Cloudy & wet all Day. Mark hauled logs. I made irons for my Barn. John Morgan Broke up.

Aug 31 Cloudy & Dull. Bought a Cheese of John Negus cost $2.43 cts. Raised the Ballance of our Barn. Charles Hoiles of Illinois took Supper with us. cleared off at sunsett.

Sep 1 Clear and warm. Margaret is over at Father Goulbourns washing. I am assisting at the Barn. Borrowed 7 Bushels of Metarainen wheat of James People for seed. am to return a like quantity when we thresh ours.

Sep 2 Clear and cloudy at intervals with some Prospects of Rain. Did not Run the mill to Day. Marion hauled 3 loads of lumber to town. Sis Returned from Pittsburgh where she had been on a visit. John Sheets Paid me $2 08/100 all he owed me.

Sep 3 Cloudy with some Rain about Daylight. Mark & I hauled logs until noon. I helped

about the barn in afternoon. wet most of the Day But Did not Rain much.

Sep 4 Cloudy & clear at intervals. worked on the mill all Day. Mark plowing wheat ground. Mother Goulbourn is here to tea and is going to stay all night. cool and Pleasant.

Sep 5 Clear & warm all Day Delightful weather. made a fan tail Blind for our barn. Father Goulbourn called and took Mother Goulbourn to church. we all stayed at home to Day.

Sep 6 Cloudy and clear at intervals. Mark finished Plowing for wheat. Did not Run the Saw mill. the masons came and Put up the foundation for Amos House. Marion hauled lumber to Town. I assisted the Carpenters at the Barn.

Sep 7 Clear & warm. hauled some logs & some lumber. Mark is hauling ashes on our wheat ground. water is getting scarce at the Mill.

Sep 8 Clear & warm. hauled logs. Loyd Kedwaladon commenced Amos House to Day with 4 hands. Sis & Lydia has gone Riding. Mark hauled a laod of Slack.

Sep 9 Clear & warm. hauled in logs and waited on the Carpenters which is a good job for any one man. Raised Amos House. took Margaret Down Father Goulbourns to Do her washing. (took Jennie out to Gordons). commenced an ox yoke. Ephraim Smith Sowed our wheat.

Sep 10 Cloudy and rather Dull. finished my ox yoke by noon. helped at Amos House some. in afternoon had considerable Rain. Mark just finished harrowing in our wheat in time to get to the Saw Mill. took 2 loads of lumber up town after the Shower. got a letter from J F Hise and answered it this evening. Milton Taylor came to move my shed.

Sep 11 Clear & Pleasant all Day. got our shed moved by 2 O'clock PM all right. am Done the moving business at Present. cleaned the Boiler to Day. are about out of water at the mill. Bought 3 Pecks of Tomatoes of John Negus cost 50 cents. Paid Mark 3 Dollars.

Sep 12 Clear & warm all Day. Painted at my Barn to Day. Jane E. & B G Jones called on us for the first time since we lived on the Farm.

Sep 13 Clear & warm. hauled some logs and Painted some at the Barn. Carpenters are at work at Amos House.

Sep 14 Clear and warm. hauled logs in forenoon. used up all our own water to Day at the mill. took supper with Mother Hise. Paid McClerens 2 Dollars.

Sep 15 Clear & warm. took Lydia Down to Fathers to work. Put in hitching Posts for Wm Betz for which he gave me one Dollar. took Diner with him. Brot Lydia home at 4

O'clock.

Sep 16 Cloudy & cold for September. hauled lumber up town in forenoon. in afternoon went out to Jim Barnetts and Bought a calf to match Bob but he is too Small gave 2 Dollars too much for him (12 Dol). Mark got home this evening he has been Down to Tom Sharpnacks Plowing for wheat. cold enough for frost at Bed time.

Sep 17 Clear and cool with a little Rain in the night which prevented frost. Comet Shows Plain in the East at Daydawn. Mark & I hauled out Brick for the flues in Amoses House. tore them out of my Old Blacksmith Shop in town.

Sep 18 Clear & Dry. Mark Hauled Sand. I Painted the East end of Barn. Borrowed 25 Dollars of Robt Eldredge gave him my Due Bill for it Bearing 10 Percent interest. Paid ten Dollars of it Ephraim Smith 5 to Mark have the Ballance yet. Bought Sash and 2 Kegs of white lead.

Sep 19 Clear & warm. got up early mixed up white Paint and commenced Painting my Barn But soon after Breakfast was taken so Sick that Mark & Amos had to cary me into the House was unable to walk. remained very sick all Day. Mother McMillen called up a short time. took a Dose of Phisic at Dark.

Sep 20 Clear & warm no Prospect of Rain. feel some better this morning have walked out some But am yet quite poorly. Lydia has gone to wash. our work hands are all at Amoses House to Day. met Moses Townsend in Town he wants to Buy my saw mill. made a nice Bridle Bit and got it Plated cost 50 cents.

Sep 21 Clear & warm. Moses & I took the Demensions of the Sawmill. he wants to make a frame to suit my Engine. Samuel Chessmans fine Durham Cow Died to Day. I took both yoke of our Oxen and Drew her out in the woods for him. Mark & Marion hauled our hay home from Robt Dunns where we stacked it in the harvest of 57. cloudy at 4 O'clock and looks like rain. gathered some seed corn Do not want to Pay 1 25/100 Doll for it next spring.

Sep 22 Clear and Pleasant. Mark & Marion Plowed and scraped around the barn. made a good Road to the Barn. I Entered Kate and her Colt for Competition at the A.H. & M Association.

Sep 23 Clear and warm. all hands attended the Fair. had a Splendid Fair. I was myself very unwell all Day. Lizzie Dickins stayed all night with us. (stiff frost).

Sep 24 Cloudy and Dull. attended the Fair. considerable Rain about noon. continued two on the house. at 5 O'clock all Dispersed in good order.

Sep 25 Clear and warm. spent most of the Day up Town. Mark hauled some wood to George Phillips. Edwin Holloway gave me credit at George Sheets Store for 3 60/100

Doll he had owed me several years. Bought a pair of coarse Boots.

Sep 26 Clear & warm. visited at Dickinsons got home at 7 O'clock.

Sep 27 Clear & warm. Commenced cutting up our corn. took Margaret Down to Father Goulbourns to make Soap. Dug the walnut treet out by the Roots that Stood where I want our garden. got 8 1/2 Bushels of wheat of Joseph Ball and took it to Holloways Mill. went for Margaret after Supper she had good luck making Soap.

Sep 28 Clear & warm. cleared off our garden spot until noon then went to Holloways and brot home our grist. took a load of lumber out to Bard Sharp & King owe Pay masters for it $2.55 cts.

Sep 29 Some little cloudy to Day but little Prospects of Rain. worked all Day at our at our garden spot. Sis & Lydia went to Father Goulbourns to wash.

Sep 30 Clear at Sunrise But clouded up through the Day and looked considerable like Rain. Plowed up ouir garden Patch and hauled on some of the Sod that we took off the Barn cellar. Lydias Father came at Noon and took her home we was loth to let her go but there appeared to be no other way as he insisted on her going. she is coming back soon. at 6 O'clock P.M. the wind commenced to blow and Blew a Perfect gale and the Rain Poured Down considerable and as I write is still Raining. Paid Lydia a Dollar.

Oct 1 Cloudy & wet considerable Rain feel to Day. we worked under the Barn laying Stable floor. took Heart to Fawcetts. the Steeple to the Methodist Church was Raised to Day. they got it to its place about 4 O'clock PM. it is the first one ever Built in Salem.

Oct 2 Clear & warm. the Carpenters came to Day to finish the barn. we graded around the East end it looks right now. laid our Pick Ready for use next week. the Comet is verry Brilliant this evening.

Oct 3 Clear and very warm for the time of year. got up early Marion & I got the wild grapes at the Sawmill about 1 1/2 Bushels. after Breakfast Margaret & I went Down to Samuel Sharpnacks. Addella Martha their Second Daughter is about to leave this world. she was yet alive when we left about 5 O'clock P.M. But cannnot Recover. got home about Sunsett. Ben and Lizzie called a minute on Business. Sarah McMillen called up and spent an hour very agreeably indeed. Mark has gone to Hanover.

Oct 4 Cloudy. Mark hauled logs. we Run Our Sawmill to Day. heard this morning that Adella Sharpnack expired last evening at 8 O'clock. Rained hard about 4 O'clock P.M.

Oct 5 Clear & warm all Day. attended funeral of Della Sharpnack in forenoon. in afternoon hauled some lumber to Calvin Moore and Painted some at the Barn. Robt Hiddleson was Burried to Day he Died in Devenport Iowa of Typhoid Fever. he was brought hither on the Cars.

Oct 6 Clear & Cloudy at intervals. Painted some at the Barn. Mark hauled in logs. Run the Sawmill.

Oct 7 Cloudy & wet. Mark & Marion sett fence Posts. I Carpentered at the Barn.

Oct 8 Clear & cool some ice this morning the first I have saw this fall. I Run the Sawmill. Amos is working at his house. the Carpenters finished the Barn at noon. Bought a stove for Anthony Fisher of Snyder & Woodruff cost 17 Dollars.

Oct 9 Cloudy windy & cold. hauled out the Doors for Amos's House. hauled some Sand and went Down to Franklin Square an got 4 Bushels of Hair cost one Dollar. Mark & Marion Dug our Potatoes only about 9 Bushels of them.

Oct 10 Clear & warm all Day. Painted the Barn. Sis Wait & Mother Hise took Supper with us. Samuel Mires called out a short time. I lent him Jefforsons Notes on Virginia. Marion Rode Mike Down to his Unkle Jacob Paxons.

Oct 11 Cloudy & Dull all Day. spent the Day up town. Mark hauled logs & Marion hauled in our pumkins. G. W. Manly Paid me ten Dollars he owed me for lumber. I Paid it to John Campbell for iron. Thomas & Greiner moved into their new Banking House.

Oct 12 Cloudy and coolish Drizzled Rain all the forenoon. we commenced hauling stone to wall in our Barn yard got along well.

Oct 13 Clear & fine most of the Day. clouded up in afternoon. still hauled stone. spent the evening at Joels. Rained considerable after night fall. got a new girl for 2 weeks.

Oct 14 Clear & cold all Day. still working at our Barnyard. I hauled the lath for Amos House. got a letter from Lydia Hively and one from J F hise.

Oct 15 Clear & warm. worked all Day at the Barn yard leveling the Dirt as Mark scrapped it in. up here a Mr Case of Rootstown with his son in law ____.

Oct 16 Clear & Pleasant. still working at the Barn yard until ten O'clock then we Repaired to the Townhall to attend the Aniversary of the W.A.S.S. Wm Lloyd Garrison spoke in forenoon. in afternoon Mr Brown who has just got out of Kentucky Prison Related his experience as a Prisoner they treated very harsh. in evening attended a meeting in the District School House the object of which was to further the Prospects of the Anti Slavery Bugle. Wm Lloyd Garrison adressed the meeting.

Oct 17 Clear and warm. attend our meeting had a very good one. house was quite too small had plenty of company with us about all we could accomodate. Miss Watkins a collored lady made as good a speech as I ever listened to.

Oct 18 Clear & warm. our meeting closed to Day. I Did not attend the morning session. had a good time our company all went home.

Oct 19 Clear & very warm for time of year. after breakfast called on Wm Lloyd Garrison (at B J Jones and Solicited him to Sit for his photograph. he cheerfully accompanied me to the Rooms of Jesse Duck (our artist) who took a negative But is not certain that he can make a good Picture of him. went with him to the Depot and saw him fairly off for Cleveland. clamped up our Boiler wall.

Oct 20 Clear and Pleasant. Cris Kineman came on this morning to help me Put in Joel McMillens water Ram. Mark hauled logs. Marion & Amos Run the Sawmill all moved along about right. clouded up toward evening. took Heart 2 Fawcetts.

Oct 21 Cloudy and Raining at 5 O'clock. By mistake I got up and went to market at 12 O'clock midnight But I sett at Farquhar House until 5 AM which was Rather tiresome. hauled out some Brick Mark hauled a load of lath for Amos House. Rained all Day. I went to Joshua Davis and got 9 feet of iron Pipe for our water Ram. Raining at 9 O'clock P.M.

Oct 22 Cloudy but no Rain to Day. worked at Joels Spring. Mark hauled sawdust into the Barn yard. cleared off toward evening.

Oct 23 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up but no Rain feel. got Joels Ram to work and it Does well the first one I ever Put in.

Oct 24 Clear & cloudy at intervals. Margaret & I visited at Joseph Saxtons for the first time. a large company was there had a pleasant visit got Back about 7 PM.

Oct 25 Cloudy and Pleasant fall weather. had so many different things going on to Day that it is too much trouble to Record it. Sold Tom Sharp 20000 Brick. got them of Theophulas Cook he is going to Deliver them.

Oct 26 Clear & cloudy at intervals. put under drain through the Barn yard in forenoon. in afternoon we put the Corn crib Back on its foundation. looks like Rain at sunsett.

Oct 27 Clear and fine Indian Sumer. husked one field of our corn and got it in the crib. gave James Dorr an order to Pius Been for 3 50/100 Doll on Sumers & Anthony account.

Oct 28 Cloudy and smokey. husked corn until 2 O'clock PM when it commenced Raining. hauled one load in wet. Rained until 9 PM.

Oct 29 Cloudy & wet Drizzled Rain most of the Day. Bought Margaret some Dishes. in the evening glazed some of the windows in Amos House. warm and Dark.

Oct 30 Cloudy with some Rain. I carried hod to Day for the Plastering of Amos House.

Run the Sawmill. Marion finished working for us to Day. Settled with him owed him $36.15 cts. gave him my Due bill for the amount.

Oct 31 Cloudy. got up early and went Down to Joshua Davis's and brot home some Plastering mortar. the Plasterers worked at Amos's House to Day but Did not get it quite Done. J F Dickinson & Lizzie, Father and Mother Goulbourn, Mary Saxon & Deboah Hall visited us Mother Hise and Mary Sheets also. had a thorny Day But a Pleasant one. Mark took Marion Down to his Unkle David Galbreath to go to school.

Nov 1 Cloudy & Pleasant. husked the Ballance of our corn and got the ____ in. the Plasterers finished Amos House at noon.

Nov 2 Cloudy & wet Rained all Day. Mark & I worked at the Barn. stabled the Horses to night for the first time. got a letter from J F Hise. Cris commenced firing at the mill to Day.

Nov 3 Cloudy & Dull. I finished Joel McMillens water Ram. Mark hauled logs.

Nov 4 Cloudy and Dull with some Rain. Mark hauled coal & lumber. I spent most of the Day in Town. Margaret visited with Mary Saxon & Deborah Hall at Father Goulbourns. I brot her home on Mike.

Nov 5 Cloudy & Dull. Mark hauled in logs. I assisted at the Sawmill. got Ben Hilmon & George Fleck to hang 5 Doors in Amos House. got 2 Busels of lime of Reason Brickers

Nov 6 Cloudy & some Rain. I Ran the Sawmill. Amos is getting ready to move. Mark hauled wood and Slack. spoiled my mill Saw (smallloss) it was about worn out. got a letter from Lydia.

Nov 7 Cloudy & cool. lathed up a part of horse stable & hung stable Door. worked some at an Oats Bin in the Barn. Tom Sharp took tea with us he came over for some lumber.

Nov 8 Cloudy & cool. Amos moved into our new House to Day. I Ran the Sawmill & Mark hauled logs. Rained a very little through the Day. wrote a letter to Lydia Hively.

Nov 9 Cloudy & Dull weather much the Same. Cris & Run the Sawmill. Amos is getting his Cows & hogs over to Day. Mark hauled logs.

Nov 10 Cloudy but nice fall weather. Amos Run the mill to Day. Mark & I hauled logs. I Done some work at the Barn.

Nov 11 Cloudy weather Remains about the Same. Mark is helping his Brother Butcher. Amos & Cris is putting in Cellar Drain. I worked at the Barn. James Cornell Paid me 4

26/100 Doll for lumber.

Nov 12 Cloudy but sun shone occasionally and was very Pleasant. hauled in some logs. hauled lumber up town etc etc. Roads are now Pretty good. (Belle our girl quit).

Nov 13 Cloudy & wet Snowed all Day but melted as it fell. we hitched up Chessmans 2 year old steers and worked them between our oxen. hauled 2 large logs from R B Fawcetts and a large load of lumber to Sharp & King. growed cold towards evening. I hauled a load of wood up town.

Nov 14 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard for the first this fall. Done a little work at the Barn then went out to John Coffees found a better match for Bob than the one I have got Doubtful if I can get him. commenced snowing about Dark.

Nov 15 Cloudy with one inch of snow moderate winter weather. I hauled logs until noon. in afternoon I Put Boxes to feed the cattle in. Mark hauled Slack and went to mill.

Nov 16 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard. hauled lumber and worked at the Barn. John Hilliard Died at 4 O'clock P.M. had been sick but a few Days. the land Pirates will now commence as he is considerable in Debt.

Nov 17 Cloudy & cool. Mark hauled lumber in forenoon in afternoon hauled logs. I Done so many Different things it would not Pay to record them. John Chisholm Paid me 1 50/100 Doll he had owed me for Brick for 3 years my own fault he owed me so long. Paid Mark a Dollar. Margaret attended the sewing circle. some warmer toward evening.

Nov 18 Cloudy with moderate winter weather ground frozen hard enough to bear in the Roads. attended the Funeral of John Hilliard. worked at the Barn in afternoon.

Nov 19 Cloudy & cold. Mark hauled lumber. I worked at the Barn. Margaret & I spent the evening at Joels. clear and very moon light. Roads are froze quite Solid.

Nov 20 Cloudy & cooler than yesterday. Mark hauled Slack and wood. I spent the Day up town collected a little money and made myself useful in obtaining from Jo Thomas a little lienience toward George Fleck whom the former had sued. he Promised to wait awhile longer on George.

Nov 21 Cloudy weather mild But thaws none. Amos & I took a walk over to John Coffees to see his Steer that I want to Buy But could not get it right. I shall use some Strategem to get it. he knows I want it Bad and intends to make me Pay a big price for it but I think he will slip up on that.

Nov 22 Cloudy and mild winter weather Road very good. Mark & I hauled in one field of corn fodder in forenoon. in afternoon I went up town. I ironed small ox yoke. traded Pigs with Hutchins Satterthwait he wanted mine for a Bruder. snowed at 5 PM.

Nov 23 Cloudy with 2 inches of wet snow and more a falling at 6 O'clock AM. Mark & I worked about the Barn. Snowed all Day nothing more to Say

Nov 24 Cloudy & snowing at Daylight. Plenty of snow & more falling. Chessman joined us and we built a colt stable. Sewing circle here to Day we brot them out and took them home again.

Nov 25 Cloudy and a little cooler this morning froze some last night Plenty of Snow and ice. we all took Diner with Ezra & Sis Wait thanksgiving Day. I stayed the evening up town came home in Company with joel McMillen.

Nov 26 Cloudy with weather about the Same. wrote a letter to Unkle Amos Gilbert who is now staying with his Brother Benjamin in Pa. Mark & I Built us a Temporary wood house in forenoon. in afternoon Mark hauled logs. I cleaned out the Barn floor.

Nov 27 Cloudy with weather the same. Mark hauled logs from Joels. I spent most of the Day up town. made us 5 Cow Chains and some other notions. came home with Margaret who accidently met me on the Street she had the carriage. snowed some in evening.

Nov 28 Cloudy & snowing at sunrise with about 6 inches on the ground. 1/2 soled my Boots and repaired the Engine but found the head so much out of fix that I was forced to take it out. Put our Sled together Ready for morning.

Nov 29 Cloudy and plenty of snow. Mark hauled two loads of coal to Amos. repaired the Engine and Sawed in the afternoon. Amos was too unwell to work.

Nov 30 Partially clear and Pleasant in the Sunshine. Roads Bad about town. got both our Horses Shod. Mark hauled logs. wrote a letter to J Cable of Athens Co Ohio. clear and cold at sunsett.

Dec 1 Clear & cold at sunrise. Mark hauled Slack in forenoon. I helped cut Sawlogs for Joel McMillen. clouded up and thawed none. very fine winter weather.

Dec 2 Cloudy and Raining at 5 O'clock A.M. snow melts very little. ground and Put handles in 2 of our axes. in afternoon took Margaret up town in carriage. got Sumner Stearns a Pair of Boots of Bean cost 3 50/100 Doll. still warm at Bedtime will freese none to night.

Dec 3 Cloudy with weather just warm enough to thaw a little. Mark hauled Slack all Day. I went to Town with Joel McMillen. Brot Old Daniel Smith out home with me. he cleaned and Started our old clock gave him 35 lb of flour for the job. In the evening I walked over to Don Howels to See Lydia Hively and know from her when she is coming Back to work for us. as Dark and wet as can well be.

Dec 4 Cloudy and Raining any amount of mud. Spent most of the Day up Town. Repairing my Buggy. Benj Bown called out to Buy a couple of yearling calves of me but 10 Dollars apiece all he could give. I thought it was too little the consequence was we Did not Deal.

Dec 5 Cloudy & wet Rained some in forepart of the Day. in afternoon Margaret Sis & I went Down to Joels according to appointment. Met Emily Robinson. Josephine Griffing Ann Pearson and B T & J E Jones had a very Pleasant afternoon indeed. the weather too was Pleasant having cleared off Beautifully. clear at Bedtime.

Dec 6 Clear and a little cold this morning the ground having frosen a little last night. cut Down a a large Red Oak and assisted Mark in hauling a log after which I went to Town to collect some money. Robt Hole Paid me 3 Dollars 52 yet Due from him. Paid Sister Phebe one Dollar of it the other 2 I gave to Henry Schooley got sight of some Pigs while there that were hard cases having been neglected until 9 out of 18 had Died. he said I could have the Ballance for just what I considered them worth. being in want of some Shoats Mark Cris & I went Down after Dark and Brot up 8 of them. in the morning we shall scrub them feed them and otherwise Provide for them and make them come "Right along". Sun shone very Pleasant all Day.

Dec 7 Cloudy & warm Rained some through the Day. Mark & I scrubed our Pigs Built them a Pen and made them comfortable. sett some fence Posts hauled some wood home etc etc.

Dec 8 Cloudy & cold ground froze some this morning. Dunn came and threshed our grain had 122 1/2 Bushel of Oats and 52 bushel of wheat. Joseph Ball helped us. cleared off and growed colder all Day.

Dec 9 Clear & cold ground froze sollid. Mark & I took care of our wheat cleaned up the Barn etc. in afternoon Mark went to mill. I made a little fence. Sis is gone to attend a lecture on astronemy in the Town Hall. expected to Bring Lydia Bonsall (a young Orthodox quaker) home with her to stay all night But we found a note By Joel McMillen that she was not coming. Such is the vigalance of the Orthodox that they will not trust one of their young out of their sight lest Peradventure they might hear something to Direct their young ideas in another channel. Let Bigots rear their holy fare and Superstition hail the Pile etc etc.

Dec 10 Clear & cold. Mark cut wood until noon. in afternoon he & I hauled in our corn fodder.

Dec 11 Clear and considerable warmer. Mark hauled Slackand went to mill. I attended Sawmill in forenoon. in afternoon went up town. Abram Grenawalt came to wall Amos cellar. Pleasant all Day. Roads are getting excellent. Robt Dunn Sold 14 live hogs for 5 3/8 per hundred the come to 215 Dollars.

Dec 12 Partially clear with Pleasant winter weather. Started at 8 O'clock with horse & carriage to Bring Lydia home again. she has been absent much longer than she expected to be when she left. growed colder until about noon when the weather changed. we started 4 miles north of Columbiana at 2 O'clock PM arrived at Unserheim at 5 found all Right and the weather still growing warmer. Mother Hise was out to see us this afternoon.

Dec 13 Cloudy & warm. we Butchered our hogs to Day. was too warm & wet But we had sett the time. Besides they have eaten about corn enough. I spent most of the Day up Town. Roads very muddy.

Dec 14 cut & Salted our Pork. Repaired the Sawmill.

Dec 15 Cloudy warm & wet. I attended th Sawmill & Amos the Mason got his cellar walled up. turned a little colder in the afternoon. our well that is Dug under the corner of the house fell in with a tremendous crash allarming the inmates considerable. the corner of the house Settled some in consequence But we propped it up that it may Do until Spring. Borrowed twenty five Dollars of Joseph Ball.

Dec 16 Clear and very Pleasant all Day. went to New Lisbon and Paid 1/2 my tax Pay the Ballance next June. was so thorny that I Did not get through until Sun Sett. came home in company with Israel Barbaer got home about 7 O'clock PM.

Dec 17 Cloudy and cool ground frozen some But thawed through the Day and is very muddy. made fence and Boiled some lye Down for Soap. hauled a load of lumber to town shall haul no more until the Roads get Better. Sarah & M miller visited this evening.

Dec 18 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. went to Town and mended my harness. Bought a Horse conditionally for which I am to Pay one Hundred Dollars. in afternoon Margaret & I went out to J F Dickinsons to Stay all night. made him a present of myOak chair that I made expressly for myself But he appeared to enjoy setting in it so much that I gave it him and it Done him & myself good.

Dec 19 Cloudy & cool ground froze some. after a Pleasant visit we started with Elizabeth Dickinson to John Gordons where we met other Friends to assist us in making wreaths for our Fair got Done in good time. Rained most of the afternoon. we got home some after Dark and found all well.

Dec 20 Cloudy cold and wet very Disagreeable weather. helped on the Sawmill to Day. Mark hauled logs. Margaret took Sis to School and went on to Town and Bought her a new Dress. Roads are very muddy.

Dec 21 Cloudy warm and wet. Mark went for Slack. I attended a law suit Between Benjamin Hawley & Jonathan Harris. the latter held a note for 200 Dollars against David Woodruff on which the formers name was forged as Bail. I was called to the stand as an

expert to give my opinion as to the genuiness of the Signature. I Pronouned it forged as to the Best of my ability to Judge and the jury so Decided.

Dec 22 Cloudy and froze some But sufficient to bear a Horse which will make the Roads worse still than ever. Mark hauled logs. I assisted at the mill. took a filed to farm in corn on the Shares of Samuel Chessman. I am to haul off the large stone collect and Burn what stumps we can get out conveniently and Deliver one third of the crop into his crib. I am also to haul in his share of the fodder. Margaret was up Town assisting in making the Fair goods. I went up after her in the evening we walked out. Paid Sumner Stearns the Ballance I owed him for Building our Barn 28 11/100 Doll. he was married on Saturday last.

Dec 23 Cloudy and cool. helped on the Sawmill until noon. in afternoon Decorated the Town Hall and got everything in order for our Fair. Isaac Coats & Fitz Allen Brady assisted me.

Dec 24 Cloudy & cold. Roads very bad. Margaret & I walked up to the Fair. Sis & Lydia Stayed at home Sis is unwell. I came out home before night having a bad cold and nothing that I could Do at the Fair. Marion Hoove is here and took our Horse & Carriage up and Brot Margaret and Lizzie Dickinson out home. Paid Mark ten Dollars.

Dec 25 Clear & cool. attended the Fair made and sold Ice cream to the amount of 17 Dollars got home late. Lizzie Dickinson came with us. Sun Shone Pleasant all Day.

Dec 26 Cloudy and feels like snowing but about 11 O'clock commenced a cold Rain and continued all Day. we had an excellent goose Roast for Diner. Marion went home again to Day.

Dec 27 Cloudy and cool Disagreeable out Doors this morning. went to Town and cleared out the Hall and Put our Tables and other fixtures up over head. Mark hauled Slack to Day. I resett an old fence to make way for a new one.

Dec 28 Clear & cool very Pleasant winter weather. Sis Started to School again to Day. I helped Mark haul logs all Day. Margaret & Lizzie Dickinson made calls up town. Joseph Ball offered to Sell me 50 Acres of his farm (or his woodland Rather) but I have not the means to Pay him. thawed a little through the Day.

Dec 29 Cloudy with ground froze some snowed a little about Daylight But soon it commenced Raining and continued all Day. Roads are now about as bad as can be. Margaret & Lizzie visited at Joels. Sis & I went Down and spent the evening got home at 9 O'clock PM. Lizzie stayed at Joels. Josiah Cable of Athens Co Ohio Agent of the Manual Labor University to the Support of which I subscribed one Hundred Dollars called on me to Day. I Borrowed fifty Dollars of Alfred Wright and Paid him off. I had previously made arrangements with him by letter to Surrender my Scholarship to which the one hundred Dollars would have entitled me and in lieu thereof to make the School a

Donation of fifty Dollars. he accepted the offer and now it is all Done with. he gave me a certificate of 2 shares of Stock which entitles me to 2 votes in the Election of Officers.

Dec 31 Cloudy warm & wet Rained most of the Day. I kept pretty close to the house. 1/2 soled my Boots and wrote a letter to David Woodruff of Texas. Salem lit with gas for the first.

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Jan 1 Clear & quite pleasant all Day. spent the in Town. made arrangements with Archibald Wood to Borrow 250 Dollars think some of Backing out yet as I hate to Borrow money. Stopped up town until the gass was lit up on purpose to see it. very fine gas light certain. (yoked our young Oxen first.

Jan 2 Clear & fine. had a Roast Turkey to Day. Samuel Mires Susan Smith and Joel McMillen familyhelped us eat it. had a very Pleasant time want it Repeated. Mother Hise & Sis Wait here also.

Jan 3 Clear & cloudy at intervals. Mark hauled coal. I spent fore part of the Day in town. in afternoon I met Samuel Chessman John Hunt & Thomas Kennett Esq at Philip Evans. after being qualified the former & the latter appraised the Real Estate of Anthony Gongway Deceased. Brot one gallon of vinegar home with me. Margaret & Lizzie Dickinson visited at James Woodruffs Mark brot them home. Roads muddy.

Jan 4 Cloudy and snowing with one inch already Down. helped Mark haul logs all Day got 21 in. yolked our young Oxen and worked them until noon. ground froze all Day.

Jan 5 Cloudy & cold weather about the Same as yesterday. Mark hauled wood I piled lumber. thawed in afternoon. Bought a Shoat of Alfred Tucker gave him 2 Dollars for it (Paid one of them). Lydia has gone to Columbiana after a little Boy for us to Raise in case we like him. Lizzie Dickinson went home this afternoon.

Jan 6 Cloudy and very moderate winter weather froze next to none last night. Mark hauled timber for Henny Mall inforenoon. in afternoon logs of our own. I Borrowed 250 Dollars of A. Woods give him 8 Per cent Per Annum. Secured him By Mortgage on our 179 acres where we live. looked over accounts with Lloyd Kidwallader he owes me 34 cents. Lydia returnd and brot a little Boy for us to Raise.

Jan 7 Cloudy & warm verry muddy some Rain last night. Mark hauled one load of Slack but was too wet to go for the 2nd load. I made a little wagon for Edward (our adopted Boy). Settled with Jesse Hawley owed him 3 871/2/100 Dol. gave him my Due Bill for it. at 2 O'clock commenced turning cold and at 6 PM is froze sufficient to bear one up. snowed a very little.

Jan 8 Cloudy & cold ground froze sollid. took the fire front out to Sharps and mended got it Done by noon. I W Templin brot the Horse I bought of him to match Mike gave him one hundred Dollars for him. Cris & Amos cleaned out the Boiler.

Jan 9 Cloudy and cold. Sam Sharpnack and I settled for the first time since 43. I Paid him 32 Dollars and 33 cents for Amos Tucker which left me 22 Dolls & 12 cents in his Debt gave him my Due Bill for it. was Down to see Magdalene Wilson She is yet very

Sick. Shaffer & Wilson got a Horse Killed at the Rail Road crossing at Harriss By the Locomotive. Snowing at 5 O'clock P.M.

Jan 10 Cloudy cold with one inch of snow. went to Town & brot out my new harness. worked my new horse in afternoon he Performs well. Mark & I both hauled logs for Chessman. Lydia got her teeth pulled she had been Suffering with them aching for several Days.

Jan 11 Clear at Sunrise and is much warmer but soon clouded up. growed gradually warmer all Day at sundown is a little muddy. Leonard Perry of Litchfield Medina Co Ohio Sent Margaret & I an excellent Pair of gloves he Promised them to us about one year since. Paid Peter Fisher one Hundred Dollars owe him 41 yet. Margaret visited at Mother Hises.

Jan 12 Cloudy and moderate winter weather. Mark and Chessman are hauling logs. I with the Horses hauled all our fence Posts from the Mill. made John Dixon an offer for one third of an acre of land I sold him 2 years ago.

Jan 13 Cloudy and warm Roads getting muddy. Mark hauled 2 loads of Slack. I spent the Day up town Settling up affairs with Theophilus Cook he is Broke up. got our Business all Stratened up he owed considerable that he cannot Pay at all. John Dixon came to Day and took me up on my offer I made him yesterday. I Paid him with 2 notes on Robt Hole calling for 50 Dolls each one comes Due June first the other Dec 1st 1859. he gave me a Deed so that all is now straight.

Jan 14 Cloudy warm and wet Raining at Daylight. we are having an open winter thus far. Mark worked in the Barn all Day. I helped at the Sawmill in forenoon. Cris was up securing what he could of Theophilus Cook. I spent most of the afternoon up town. Roads very muddy. In the evening Cris and I Played Checkers.

Jan 15 Cloudy wind high from the Southwest. Rained some through the Day. Mark & I made 4 good Racks for the cattle to eat hay out of. too wet out to work. I spent the afternoon up town.

Jan 16 Cloudy and some colder. the ground froze a little but not sufficient to bear a horse. took up our Cylander and cleaned out the heater. In afternoon Margaret & I walked Down to Father Goulbourns they are all very well. John is now at home he seems to be well except his mind which is nearly gone). we got back in good time.

Jan 17 Clear & cold at Daylight with ground covered with Snow and wind in the north. Mark hauled logs until noon. in afternoon he hauled Amos a load of coal. I helped at the Sawmill. snowed some and blowed considerable. Mark took a whole waggon load of young women Down to Mary E Sharpnacks School to a Debate and other amusements had considerable of sport got back about 11 O'clock PM. Margaret & I stayed up and kept the house warm for them.

Jan 18 Clear & cool. laid a little longer in Bed than usual. Mary Tucker stayed here with Sis until this morning. Mark hauled logs. I hauled Reason Timones one load of wood and Jesse Hise 2 loads of old Rails. John Kinemon is Burning his Brick oven again. Margaret & Lydia visited at Don Howel the went on foot across country. I Repaired Jo Balls Engine. clear & moonlight thawed a little in the middle of the Day.

Jan 19 Clear & cold ground froze hard Pleasant winter weather thawed through the Day. Mark hauled logs. I helped at the mill Piled up lumber etc until noon when I went to town Bought some butter. Rode home with Enoch M Conner in his Buggy. moon shines as bright as can be to night.

Jan 20 Clear with moon shining as bright as can be at 1/2 Past 5 A.M. Mark hauled Slack & I Repaired the Pump at the Mill. found the water was all used out of the cistern. went to work Put a pipe through the Breast of the Dam and turned the water in. Mark took a load of our Oak flooring up to Benj Hilmons to have them worked ready for Spring. sun shone very Pleasant all Day except an hour before setting when it clouded up and Rained and is Raining at 8 O'clock PM. repacked our meat. got a letter of J F Hise of New Orleans.

Jan 21 Cloudy with one inch of Snow and more falling at Six O'clock A.M. Mark & I hauled logs until noon. in afternoon Mark hauled lumber to Town. I assisted on the mill. snowed some in forenoon.

Jan 22 Cloudy and snowing at Daybreak. Mark went to mill I went with him. Paid Jams People 436 lb of wheat I Borrowed of him last September for Seed. went to town in afternoon Bought 15 lb of Sugar for one Dollar. growed colder all Day.

Jan 23 Clear & cold all Day. stuck close to the House all Day. William Moore & wife came at noon she stays all night.

Jan 24 Clear & cold. got up early very still not a breath of air stirring. Mark hauled logs with the Horses until noon after which he & I sawed up Sawlogs. growed gradually warmer all Day.

Jan 25 Clear & cold but the weather is moderating gradually. helped Mark haul logs from Chessmans. Phillip Cross Joseph Ball & Eli Fawcett are all hauling in logs. Mary Gee is here to Diner. Margaret & I are invited to Chessmans to tea & Spend the evening had a very pleasant visit got home at 9 O'clock. Uncle Silas Howel is here to Supper and is going to Stay all night. freezing a little.

Jan 26 Clear and very Pleasant all Day thawed some but is still some Snow. helped at the Sawmill until noon. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal for Amos. I spent the afternoon in Town. Borrowed 25 Dollars of Elwood Vickers. want to go tomorrow and Buy a Cow. Roads are good now. a little cloudy at Sunsett.

Jan 27 Cloudy But slightly so stars show through them before Daylight. Mark hauled Slack. I went Down to Fairfield to Buy a cow but she Did not Suit me. came home in the Rain cold Rain at that. Broke the Sawmill (one of the Slaide valves got loose and in trying to fasten it twisted a sett screw in two.

Jan 28 Cloudy and warm Rained considerable last night. took Part of Our engine out to Sharps and Repaired it got all sett up again Ready to Run. cleared off and was Delightful weather frost came out fast to Day. Mark hauled logs Cris chopped. Returned the money I Borrowed of Elwood Vickers gave it to Joel McMillen to give to him. Roads muddy.

Jan 29 Clear at 5 O'clock AM with ground froze some. Run the mill. Mark hauled logs. I went to Town in afternoon. Theophilus Cook Surrendered my Brick up to me again. I give him 5 thousand Brick. got a letter from Moses Townsend.

Jan 30 Cloudy and cold. Lydia rode Mike home to Day is going to Stay all night. I went over to Jonathan Harriss called in to see Father Goulbourn. after Diner came home found all well. wrote a letter to Moses Townsend. Joel & Sarah spent the evening with us. thawed none to Day.

Jan 31 Clear & Starlight at 5 AM Pleasant winter weather. Mark hauled logs. I took one load of Plow Beams up to Snyder & Woodruff. helped at the mill the Ballance of the Day. Sold Calvin Brainard our white faced Cow for 26 65/100 Doll. Ought to have had what I asked 27 50/100 Doll. thawed in middle of the Day Roads good now. Lydia Returns this afternoon.

Feb 1 Clear and cold no snow yet nor is there any prospects of any at Present. Moderated and was very Pleasant all Day sun shone Bright & clear frost came out and the ground Dried as it came out. Mark hauled logs. I helped at the mill in forenoon. in afternoon put up a Rack for the Oxen. Bought some Pot cheese most excellent article.

Feb 2 Cloudy and calm all Day. Rained a little in forenoon. in afternoon snowed a very little moderate winter weather. I helped on the mill all Day Done a good Days work. mark hauled 2 cords of wood to town.

Feb 3 Cloudy and Snowing with one inch Down at 4 O'clock AM. at one O'clock I awoke and saw our bed Room lighted up. on looking out for the cause Discovered there was a large fire at the Depot or at least in that Direction. Dressed myself and went with all Possible haste toward the light guessed several times what building it could be but before getting near to it met Archibald Woods & Hugh Stewart coming back who told me it was a Board Kiln belonging to the Mrssrs Tabors who was Preparing it for the Manufacture of Mowing Machines. Returned and went to Bed tired enough. I started too fast to hold out which is most generally the case at such times. Mark & I hauled logs from Chessmans with the Horses hauled 17. 4 teams hauling logs to Day filling up our log yard fast.

Feb 4 Cloudy with a little more snow. Mark & I hauled logs from Chessmans with the Horses hauled 18 to Day. snowed occasionally through the Day and about 5 O'clock PM Snowed as fast as I ever saw it.

Feb 5 Cloudy and Pretty good Sledding. hauled Joseph Thomas a load of wood and 6 logs from Samuel Myers. Bought Edward a Pair of Boots cost 1 75/100 Doll. lent Joel McMillen 25 Dollars. snowing at Bedtime.

Feb 6 Cloudy and snowing at 7 O'clock AM with good Sleighing. the Executive Committee of the Western Anti Slavery Society met here to Day. it is composed of John Gordon Joel McMillen Sarah McMillen Mrs Bown Marius Robinson Josephine Griffing & Isaac Trescott & Emily Robinson Gertrude (her Daughter) Mrs Gordon & Benj Bown were here which made us quite a Respectable crowd. the Day Past very Pleasantly. in the evening Cousin Daniel Howell & his family calledover stayed until 1/2 Past 9. the weather moderate with considerable more snow. Sleighing Pretty good.

Feb 7 Clear Sky But foggy trees all covered with frost which gives the face of winter a beautiful appearance. Mark went for Slack and at noon he & I commenced hauling logs for Doc Harris. thawed considerable through the Day.

Feb 8 Clear with moderate winter weather. Boxed up Uncle Amos Gilberts Gloves and sent them to him at Lancaster Pa. Mark & I hauled logs from Harriss. Bot a Box of Envelopes containing five hundred.

Feb 9 Cloudy & wet snowed wet snow all Day. Mark hauled logs. I made a new log sled. Amos & Cris cleaned out the Sawdust from under the mill where we are going to make an ice house. turned some colder in afternoon is freezing at Dark.

Feb 10 Cloudy & cold wind blowed considerable through the night. Mark hauled logs. finished my log sled by noon. in afternoon Cris Amos & I got ice. Samuel Chessman is hauling also for his use. Our ice house will hold enough for all our neighbors. Bought Sis a Birth Day present a very nice Volume of Byrons works. She is Sixteen years old to Day. coldest weather we have had we are having now.

Feb 11 Cloudy & cold with good Sleighing. Mark hauled logs. Joel McMillen sent his team so that we got our ice House filled with excellent ice. I made a pair of Sleigh shafts

Feb 12 Cloudy & cold fine weather as can be. Mark & I Both hauled logs got 11 in from Doc Harris. Sledding excellent.

Feb 13 Cloudy & cold as usual. at 11 O'clock Margaret & I went to Benj Bowns Joel & Sarah McMillen went with us. met John Gordon & lady and John Deming & family. had a Pleasant visit got home at Dusk.

Feb 14 Clear & very moonlight made a mistake in getting up thought it was Daylight & it was but 3 O'clock. we got an early start & made good use of snow. it melted off the Public Road by noon when we took a Private one got 12 logs.

Feb 15 Cloudy & Rained most of the Day. mark hauled Slack and lumber. Bought 40 lb of Candles of H Adams. Isaac Mendenhall Paid me 5 62/100 Paid it to Mark.

Feb 16 Cloudy with but little snow all melted off since yesterday morning. frost is coming out gradually. Mark hauled logs. I hauled 3 loads of lumber to Town. Bought 3 17/100 Doll worth of Coffee Sugar & Butter. cleared off and was Pleasant in afternoon. Roads very muddy.

Feb 17 Cloudy & wet. Mark hauled 2 loads of Slack. Rained all the afternoon Roads very muddy. sawed off some Palings in Readiness for our garden.

Feb 18 Cloudy warm wet & foggy. Mark hauled coal to Amos. I Repaired harness in forenoon. in afternoon went up town Bought 10 good Bags. mended our curry comb. Brot out the Sash for our wagon house. got a letter from David Woodruff was very much gratified while perusing it. cleared off and the Sun Shone Pleasant. Roads very muddy.

Feb 19 Cloudy warm & Dense fog. Mark went to mill & I to Town. Rained all the afterpart of the Day waters high. heavy thunder and lightning last night.

Feb 20 Cloudy & colder wind blows hard. took a walk over to Fawcetts thicket Pulled up a small Sugar tree brot it home and sett it out. Marius R Robinson called in a few minutes on his way to Joels we soon followed him where we had all been invited to Diner. Lydia & Sis accompanied us. wind blowed hard came home before Dark.

Feb 21 Cloudy cold and windy. Mark & I cut logs. at 4 O'clock Margaret & walked up to marius Robinsons met a large company spent the evening very Pleasantly got home at ten O'clock. freezing a little to night.

Feb 22 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. Mark hauled logs from Henry Malls I assisted in forenoon. in afternoon I made a Stone Boat. in the evening Margaret & I went up to John Demings took super & tarried until 10 O'clock had a good time. Lydia took Mike & the Carriage and went out to Mr Trimbells and Brot her Sister in. she is going to take Lydias place with us for a time. Lydia is going to live with her father awhile. (soon Do to Plow Sod).

Feb 23 Clear & Delightful at Daybreak I can scarcely stay indoors. Mark hauled stone off our corn ground. I made a full sett of Plow Double single & thribletrees. in afternoon went to Tom Sharps and commenced ironing them. clodued up and looks like Rain.

Feb 24 Cloudy windy and wet. Rained considerable last night & snowed some little in forenoon. Chessman and his hired man helped Mark & I & we pulled up stumps Done

well got most of them up.

Feb 25 Cloudy and Blustering with considerable snow. Mark & I hauled in some logs in forenoon. in afternoon he hauled slack & I ironed my Plow Doubletrees. Roads very bad.

Feb 26 Cloudy and looks for Rain at sunrise but cleared off and was quite windy all Day. spent the Day up Town. met J W Templin according to agreement. got him (after the hardest kind of urging) to take Bill the horse I Bought of him back again. I Paid him ten Dollars to Do so. am very glad to get shut of him at that Rate. Roads are very bad. Bought a bolt of Bleached muslin for margaret 37 3/4 yards at 11 1/2 cents per yard.

Feb 27 Clear at sunrise But clouded up through the Day was tolerable comfortable out Doors. Harriet Dickinson called out to see us am very glad to have her Do so. Jesse Hise & Hamilton Howel are here to Diner. I stuck pretty close to the house all Day. wrote a letter to David Woodruff.

Feb 28 Cloudy & very windy all night. Mark & I hauled some logs into the sawmill and the hauled stumps off of our corn field. cloudy & cold all Day.

Mar 1 Clear and still at Daylight. hauled some logs in and finished hauling out our Stumps. in afternoon Mark hauled Slack & I spent the time up town. Paid Lydia ten Dollars owe her ten more. she has to go home in a few Days I am sorry for it.

Mar 2 Clear & cold ground froze very hard last night. Mark & I hauled in logs in forenoon. in afternoon he hauled Slack & I helped on the mill. Roads Drying up fast. Margaret & Lydia attended the A.S.S. Circle this afternoon.

Mar 3 Cloudy cold and Raining freezing as it falls everything covered with ice. no out Doors work to be Done to Day. Mark helped on the mill and I Repaired harness. Lydia started for home this afternoon not going to Return Sorry for it.

Mar 4 Cloud warm & windy stormed hard last night Both Rain and wind. Mark helped Chessman Pull grubs with Both yoke of Oxen. I worked on the mill. Rained and snowed turn about all Day. at 5 O'clock PM snowed very fast wind in North west and very Disagreeable. Roads as muddy as can well be.

Mar 5 Cloudy and snow on the ground. Mark worked at the mill I spent most of the Day up town. inquiring for a cow and good horse but found neither. sold some lumber. snow melted Roads very muddy. Joel McMillen started East to Day.

Mar 6 Clear but cold wind. gumed our mill Saw. Amos & I walked out to Tom Sharps came back by Shinns Sawmill. very Pleasant in afternoon. Ben Hilman called out a short time.

Mar 7 Cloudy but Pleasant spring morning. Mark & I cut & hauled in logs finished hauling from H Malls. I went up town in afternoon settled with the Township they Paid me my Bill 5 81/100 Doll. cloudy and looks like Rain.

Mar 8 Cloudy and wet Rained considerable in the night. half soled my Boots. Rained all Day Roads impassable. was up Town in afternoon came home and Read Bugle.

Mar 9 Cloudy with some Rain last night. hauled in some logs at the mill. in afternoon Mark hauled Slack with Both yoke of Oxen. Roads are too Bad to take the Horses out. I Repaired my Plow. sett one fence Post but the ground is so wet cannot continue it.

Mar 10 Cloudy and cold some frost on the Boards. Mark hauled Slack. I spent most of the Day up Town. Ironed my thribble tree. Jo Venable Paid me 5 Dollars on a bill of lumber I am getting for him.

Mar 11 Clear and cloudy at intervals Rained a very little. commenced Plowing our Sod ground I helped in the forenoon. in afternoon hauled Ben Hilman a load of lumber. Roads intolerable bad. Margaret visited at Mrs Posts. quite windy but warm.

Mar 12 Partially clear wind blew hard last night with some Rain windy all Day. ground dryed fast. I hauled lumber & Mark Plowed. Marion Hoover is here going to stay all night Paid him five Dollars Paid Cris 4 Dollars.

Mar 13 Clear & Beautiful. hired Cris to help me & he & I sett the Posts for fence around our garden worked hard all Day. Sis & Lizzie went over to Father Goulbourns. Mother Goulbourn is unwell. hired Abraham Hafley to work on the Brick yard am to pay him 15 Dollars Per month and board him.

Mar 14 Cloudy windy & a little cooler Rained at 9 O'clock A.M. went to Town. made irons and secured my corn Crib to its foundation. Saw Gen Sam Houstain of Texas he has been stopping at the Farquhar House several Days. Sam Sharpnack Paid me 27 78/100 Doll. I Paid him 22 12/100 Doll I owed him the Ballance 5 66/100 Doll I have on hand. have the Blues this afternoon and am Sorry I have undertaken to make Brick this Sumer.

Mar 15 Cloudy with hard wind and some Rain last night. Abram Hafley came on this morning is Plowing to Day. Mark is at work among the lumber. I went to Don Holloways Sale made a bid of one hundred and ten Dollars on his Horse. no one Bid against me but himself he would not let him sellat that price. came back to town Bought 50 cents worth of Parsnips and 4 Bushels of Potatoes they cost 75 cents per bushel. I was about Paying him when he told me he owed me 1 62/100 Doll for the last 7 years. I was glad to hear it not only because I needed the money but to find him honest for I never should have known it although when he mentioned the circumstances I Recalled them perfectly.

Mar 16 Clear & cool but is going to be a Pleasant Day. Mark & I are in the lumber

business to Day. Abe is Plowing Plowed some for Samuel Myers.

Mar 17 Cloudy and warm looks like for Rain in morning but cleared off and is very Pleasant. tended the Sawmill to Day. Amos is absent at John Neases Funerall he Died on yesterday morning. Lydia Hively and her Aunt (Edwards Mother) arrived from Columbiana this evening and are with us to night. commenced Raining about Dark.

Mar 18 Cloudy and wet having Rained all last night. we could Do but little to Day. I took Lydia & her Aunt to the Depot at noon. laid by the fire most of the afternoon. Mother Hise came out to see us this afternoon. considerable Rain & thunder about 4 O'clock.

Mar 19 Cloudy & stormy wind blowing and snowing. Abram sharpened Pailings in the Barn. Marked helped on the mill. I went to Jacob Painters Sale But it was Postponed until Wendsday next on account of Bad weather. came Back to Town & spent the Ballance of the Day Doing but little. snowed fast about Sunsett. Amos Tucker spent the evening with us.

Mar 20 and 21 Clear & very Pleasant out at Sunrise snow all melted off. went with Amois Tucker over to Joseph Balls and got 6 nice cherry trees. I sett out a couple of Ashs in afternoon. went over to Allen Boyles found he has excellent Stock.

Mar 22 Cloudy with a little Rain last night. worked among the lumber in forenoon. in afternoon worked at the garden fence. cleared off and was very pleasant. Marion Hoover is with us to night.

Mar 23 Clear & most Delightful all Day. took our cylander out to Sharps to get it Repaired. Amos & Cris is Rolling logs. Mark & Abram setting Posts around the Barn yard. I attended Jacob Painters Sale Bought a Horse called Jack and is known in this Neighborhood as the Best Draught Horse in it cost 120 Dollars cash. Mother Hise is with us to night.

Mar 24 Cloudy and wet. some of us ground our axes. Mark took a load of lumber up town. In afternoon I went to Painters and brot home my notions among other things a waggon that I sold him 22 years ago. Roads very Bad.

Mar 25 Cloudy & cooler. Mark & I fenced the Barn yard and made a first rate job of it. Cris & Abram is helping Amos Tucker Roll logs. snowed a little But melted as it fell.

Mar 26 Cloudy & cool with a little snow on the ground. Cris & Abram cut Down some timber. Mark & I went and brot our Cylender home. brot 5 evergreen trees and sett them out. Plante some Peas (and some seeds in the hot Bed) Mark went to mill.

Mar 27 Cloudy windy & cool. on yesterday I rented a field of Allen Boyle 3 25/100 Doll per acre want to sow it in oats. wrote a letter to Moses Townsend. Thomas Taylor of

Wayne Co Illinois visited us to Day he is an old friend of ours. Rained in afternoon.

Mar 28 Cloudy and warm. Cris & I sett up the Engine and cleaned out the Boiler. Amos & Abram finished Rollinglogs. went to Town in the evening. sent a letter to Moses Townsen

Mar 29 Cloudy and wet Rained most of the forenoon. run water into the Barn yard. in afternoon I made garden fence. Mark & Abram graded the lane. cool at Sundown.

Mar 30 Cloudy & cold ground froze some. got our mill started again Does fine. Abram commenced Plowing our Barley ground. Mark hauled lumber I fenced at the garden.

Mar 31 Clear & cold ground froze hard wind blowed a good breeze all Day. spent the Day in Town. Paid Tom Wilson 105 Dollars on Jack (the Horse he Bought for me) owe him 5 Dollars yet. went this evening with Lizzie up to Town Hall to see the Exhibition got home late

Apr 1 Clear & cold ground froze hard but sun shone Pleasant all Day. Cris & I made fence. Mark hauled coal.

Apr 2 Cloudy & Pleasant all Day. sold Sam Chessman 15 1/2 bushels of Barley and Bought 12 Do of Jo Fawcett. C.C. Brainard Paid me 191 75/100 Dollars on E Murphys account. Deposited 85 Dollars with Joel McMillen. Bought clover & Timothy seed.

Apr 3 Clear and windy had quite a shower of Rain last night but will Dry off again to Day. helped Amos right up some of his log heaps. made a garden gate and a small Box for Sis. John Rakestraw spent some time with me at the mill while I was at work. cleared off and is Pleasant at 4 O'clock PM.

Apr 4 Cloudy windy & cold ground froze hard. Bought a Barrel of Molasses for 41 cents per gal cost 18 65/100 Doll. got my horse from Wm Webb one that I Bought of James Brown last Sumer and let Brother Jesse have to make Brick with Webb has had him all winter for his keep.

Apr 5 Cloudy & cold with ground covered with Snow. wanted to Sow Barley but too much like winter. remained cold all Day. Paid Amos 6.56 cents.

Apr 6 Clear cold Dry and windy from the west. ground froze too hard to Plow this morning. Mark & Abram sett fence Posts. Thomas Wilson sent Jack my new Horse in to Day. Remained cold all Day. ground is all Plowed ready to sow our Oats & Barley.

Apr 7 Cloudy and snowing at Daylight But at ten O'clock is quite pleasant except the wind blowing a gale from the Southwest. Abram & Mark are putting in our Barley. I am running the Sawmill. Amos & Cris is making fence around Amos's House. cleared off and is very fine in afternoon. was up town this evening to see Mother Hise she is better

but is yet quite poorly.

Apr 8 Cloudy & snowing at Daylight. sowed the grass seed on our wheat. at 7 O'clock PM is snowing fast. all worked at Barn to Day. 3 inches of Snow fell to Day all melted off at sunsett. cold going to freeze to night.

Apr 9 Clear & very cold ground froze very hard but at sun rise looks Delightful. sowed our oats. I attended the Sawmill Amos & Cris made fence. very Pleasant all Day.

Apr 10 Cloudy with considerable Rain last night. finished our garden fence. Margaret went to Father Goulbourns they are all well. Rained some this afternoon cloudy at 8 O'clock.

Apr 11 Cloudy & wet with any amount of Rain last night. Mark & Cris Dug Post holes. in afternoon hauled 2 loads of Hay from Chessmans. in afternoon I went up town bought a new mill Saw cost 13 Dollars. Paid Mark ten Dollars. Rained considerable about 5 O'clock P.M.

Apr 12 Clear & cool. Bought 1/2 bushel Timothy & 5 Pounds clover seed cost 1 50/100 Doll. some of us Dug Post holes & some Plowed. I wrote 2 letters one to Thomas Cleland of Alliance & 1 To Wm Alcorn of Enon Valley Pa. Mary Gee Harriet Woodruff Mother Hise & Phebe visited us to Day.

Apr 13 Cloudy & warm looks like Rain can Do but little to any advantage. Cris & Abram are Plowing Mark is after Slack. I helped Repair the Mill Put her in line complete. Mark Plowed a Potatoe Patch East of the Barn. Sister Una is here.

Apr 14 Cloudy warm & wet with lots of Rain last night. some are Plowing hauling lumber working at the garden etc etc. I sett out a Honey Locust in front of the House. Thomas Cleland came on to make Brick for me.

Apr 15 Clear windy & cold. two teams Plowing for Oats. Cris & I sett some Posts. Bought 2 shovels and 1 spade. sett Thomas Cleland & his Brother to work getting ready to make Brick. Rained at 6 O'clock P.M. cold and Disagreeable.

Apr 16 Cloudy & cold Raw Disagreeable weather. attended a Sale of Thomas McFarlens Bought a waggon corn sheller and some other notions. Paid Thos Cleland 2 Dollars. cold all Day. got the oats ground all Plowed.

Apr 17 Clear at sun rise and continued Pleasant until about nine O'clock AM when it clouded up and turned colder. spit snow several times through the Day. made some Board fence. went to Egypt to look at a cow Did not like her.

Apr 18 Cloudy cool & windy. sowed and harrowed it in. Chauncey Flick came to Day he & Cris worked in the garden. I had considerable to Do up Town. Jacob Baumen Paid

me 25 Dollars on account of Lumber. I Paid Pius Been 20 Dollars of it. Bought a quarter of veal cost 92 cents.

Apr 19 Cloudy & cool all Day. Pryed up our old Blacksmith shop got it Ready to move. commenced making our new Brick yard. made a little grden.

Apr 20 Cloudy and looks like Rain. all hands at the Brick yard. Rained and we were forced to knock off at Eleven O'clock. in afternoon Mark hauled in logs Abram hauled lumber & manure. Cris & Chauncy ground the axes and chopped wood. I was up town in afternoon attending the chores.

Apr 21 Clear But some fog cold with Black frost. must go to Day and try to Buy a Cow.

Apr 22 Cloudy and cool. got Back with a Cow at nine O'clock. Bought her of Henry Kridler 3 1/2 miles South of Columbiana. Brot her up to Jacob Esterlys one mile East of Columbiana and Put up for the night. Lydia E Hively once our hired help keeps house for him. I was unwell and Slept none of any account caused by Riding on horseback. took an early start and got home as above found all well. Planted our Potatoes brot home our Buggy. looks like storm at Dark. Paid Wm Pidgeon 3 72/100 Dolls.

Apr 23 Cloudy cold and windy with 3 inches of snow and more falling about as fast as it can get Down. Continued snowing and blowing from the north all Day had it not have thawed the snow must have been at least a foot Deep. all hands Done nothing to Day. I amused myself as well as I could Drawing made one Pretty good Piece gave it to Lizzie. went Down to Joels a little while. cleared off about sunsett.

Apr 24 Clear & still expect to see the Snow leave about as fast as it came. snow is gone except where it is Drifted. Henry Flick is here to night. sett 3 hens to Day. (Allice calved).

Apr 25 Cloudy & warm all Day. some are Plowing some sawing others hauling lumber. Roads Bad. got a letter from David Woodruff and answered it to Day.

Apr 26 Cloudy & wet all Day. some Plowing some hauling. I am Repairing my waggon. Roads as bad as ever.

Apr 27 Cloudy cold and wet with any amount of Rain last night. moved one half of our old shop got it moved by noon in getting the wheels from under it we got as wet as Rats. Rained most of the afternoon.

Apr 28 Cloudy & cold at sunrise but looks some like clearing off. Mark goes to Mill. cleared off and is pleasant all Day. I tended Sawmill. Amos was Poorly this morning. lent Father Goulbourn ten Dollars for one month gave Robt Eldredge my note 60 Days after Date Payable at Thomas & Greiners.

Apr 29 Clear & Pleasant all Day. all hands at work on the Brick yard. I collected a little money. Mother Hise Sis Wait & Mary Hise visited us to Day. Chauncy Flick hurt his Back and was forced to quit work. a little cloudy to night. Sold Jont Harris my ox wagon for 35 Doll.

Apr 30 Clear & very fine all Day. worked on the Brick yard. J F Dickinson & his Brother William Paid us a visit to Day the latter lives in Kentucky settled there in 1805. they were separated 51 years. collected some money Paid Amos 3 Dollars & his Son Alfred one Dollar & fifty cents. got a Pair of good slippers of E Murphy.

May 1 Clear & Delightful. this morning at 8 O'clock I start to Enon Valley with my Brood Mare (Kate). Reached there by 3 O'clock. Put up with Wm P Alcorn.

May 2 Clear & warm. started home at 9 O'clock having Done all up. called at Columbiana and Bought 277 1/2 lb of good Bacon cost 9 cts per lb. got home about 5 O'clock PM. hitched up Bill and Margaret & I went out to J F Dickinsons to stay all night.

May 3 Clear & warm. started home about 11 O'clock got home about noon. made some garden this afternoon. Sis went Down to Columbiana and brot home our Bacon that I Bought on yesterday.

May 4 Clear & warm all Day. Mark is harrowing and striking out our corn ground. I made garden not Running the mill to Day.

May 5 Cloudy but not much indication of Rain. Planted our corn and made some fence.

May 6 Clear & warm all Day. I made a tongue for our waggon. some worked at the yard. Mark is Plowing the Barn field want to put in corn.

May 7 Clear & very warm all Day ground very Dry. worked on the yard soon be Ready to mould. Paid Jacob Brinker 5 Dollars Jo Hays 2 Dollars Mark one Dollar.

May 8 Clear & warm all Day. made some garden strolled over the fields etc etc. Took a Ride in the Buggy with Margaret.

May 9 Cloudy & cooler Rained some in the afternoon. work at the Brick yard. Put up the shed and various other little shores.

May 10 Cloudy & cool. hauled in logs in forenoon. in afternoon worked on the yard. Did not Rain enough to wet the ground much.

May 11 Cloudy & cool but cleared off in afternoon and was quite Pleasant. commenced Moulding Brick with one sett of hands. clear & cool at sun sett.

May 12 Clear & warm all Day. made Brick. Mark hauled ashes on the corn field and a load of Slack to the Sawmill. Susan Galbreath & Jacob Schilling were Married to Day.

May 13 Clear & Pleasant. made Brick. clouded up an is much cooler.

May 14 Clear & cool all Day. worked at the yard. Mark Amos Tucker & Jacob Coy. Planted our corn Sorgum and white Beans. I throwed a note in Bank for one Hundred Dollars Joel McMillen Endorsed for me.

May 15 Clear & most Delightful weather. after Breakfast I took my Port Folio & Pencils and went to the woods intending to Draw something But soon felt too Dull and lazy. Ezra Wait Sis (his wife & good old Mother visited us to Day had a very Pleasant time.

May 16 Clear in forepart of the Day. Broke our Sawmill but not very srious. all hands on the Brickyard that belongs there. I mended our Engine myself. Margaret & I attended a lecture on Electricity in the Town Hall. Rained some about 4 O'clock PM got no Brick spoiled.

May 17 Cloudy & cool. sett out Tomatoe & cabbage plants. cleared off in afternoon and all hands made Brick. Started the Sawmill started again. Bought 19 Bushels of Oats of Joseph England cost 40 cents Per Bushel.

May 18 Clear & Dry. helped Mark haul in 6 saw logs before Breakfast helped on the mill most of the Day. the Brick hands all at work. Mark hauled lumber. clouded up and Rained about Sun Sett. Old Carlow our chain Dog got Poisoned and Died I would much rather have lost 20 Dollars.

May 19 Cloudy and very foggy. made some garden and worked some at the Brick yard. have so many things to Do that I am kept very Busy. got our garden Done the Borders all up. cool enough for fire.

May 20 Clear & warm all Day. worked on the mill to Day. Mark hauled lumber. Dense fog.

May 21 Clear at Daylight but soon a Dense fog came Down but cleared off and was very Pleasant until after noon. Bought 50 lb of Rice & one Bushell of Dried Apples. in afternoon had a fine Rain. the Boys got all the Brick up without Spoiling any. Lydia E Hively & Margaret haines came up on Horse back and are going to stay all night. sett our 80 cabbage Plants.

May 22 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. spent all Day with our company they started home about 4 O'clock. cold enough for frost. covered our garden truck for fear they might perish.

May 23 Clear & cool but no frost to hurt. helped Mark haul in logs until Breakfast

worked the ballance of the Day at the yard. excellent Brick weather.

May 24 Clear & warm. worked on the yard Part of the Day. Mark hauled Sand.

May 25 Clear warm all Day. Cultivated & Replanted our Corn got Done by 5 O'clock.

May 26 Clear & warm. worked at the yard most of the Day. fixed for hauling water to the Sawmill as we have used it all up. looks a little like Rain but I fear we will get but little.

May 27 Clear & Dry. commenced hauling water to the Sawmill wont Pay but we must try and get Done with it. had a good Shower.

May 28 Cloudy & cold too cold to Rain. Mark hauled logs the Boys made Brick. Part of the Day I helped at the mill Done but little good for want of water.

May 29 Cloudy & cool Rained a very little early in the morning. finished my Board fence along the Road as far Down as we have corn Planted. Sold Jacob Sell my yearling bullfor 9 Dollars helped him take him home got Back at 1 O'clock.

May 30 Cloudy & foggy. Mark & I hauled logs from Chessmans Done a Big Days work. Rained some last night. got a letter from S.P. Barnaby concerning the saw mill.

May 31 Cloudy & wet Rained moderately all Day glad of it. Done immense service to Both grain & grass. cleaned out our Boiler and got Ready to Saw.

Jun 1 Cloudy & foggy fine growing weather. Mark is hauling logs will finishe Chessmans to Day our mill is Doing fine. the Brickyard Boys ar setting brick as it is too wet to mould. cleared off in afternoon and is Delightful growing weather.

Jun 2 Cloudy & windy with lots of Rain & hailBut soon over. sawed to Day & got along well.

Jun 3 Clear & Pleasant. Broke the Sawmill But soon Repaired it. Mark & I worked on the Road. Lizzie & Aaron attended the Funeral of Jane Dixon got Back at 5 O'clock PM. Cloudy & cold at sundown.

Jun 4 Cloudy & cold wind blows a gale from the north. some are making Brick others working the Road. cleared off at 4 O'clock PM and will freeze like Hell to night unless the weather should moderate. Paid out some money to Day. (took Red cow to Bull & sow to to Boar.

Jun 5 Clear & cold heavy frost corn Potatoes and all vegetables killed Down to the top of the ground. we took the Precaution to cover our garden truck but too no Purpose all froze off. I fear the wheat is killed fruit & all.

Jun 6 Clear & cool. I attended the Saw mill. Amos is Dressing his corn. Mark worked the Road. sett out some more Tomatoe plants.

Jun 7 Clear & warm. Planted pumpkin seeds made Brick and I helped at the Sawmill. looks some like Rain at sunsett. a good part of the wheat is killed by the frost on last Saturday night.

Jun 8 Cloudy & Raining at Daylight good Rain and timely saved us from hauling water to the Sawmill. helped on the mill. Mark Piled up manure in forenoon in afternoon he hauled logs. cleared of and is very fine this afternoon.

Jun 9 Clear & warm. at Lisbon to Day attending Court Dont like the Business got home at sunsett. Lizzie Sheets, Grandfather Goulbourn, Mother Hise & several others were here visiting to Day.

Jun 10 Cloudy & Drizzling Rain. went to Lisbon and was there all Day. Rained considerable in forenoon. got home at sunsett is very cold. covered up what little garden truck we have.

Jun 11 Clear with a hard frost this morning. everything is froze off again I fear. Bought 16 lb of Beef. spent the Day trying to collect money got but little. cold at sunsett.

Jun 12 Clear & cool at sunrise. it is now ascertained that all the wheat in this Part of the country is killed with the frost on the 4th inst. all business is suspended in consequence. I have Discharged one sett of hands and shall most likely Discharge the ballance before the Summer is over as Brick cannot be sold this season. went to Scholfields visiting from there I went across to John Gordons got home about Sunsett Margaret got home fifteen minutes first. looks like Rain. got a bushel of seed corn of Chessman want to replant tomorrow.

Jun 13 Cloudy and Raining at Daylight too wet to Plant corn. slim Prospects for any kind of crop this summer.

Jun 14 Cloudy. all hands planted corn to Day got all Done. I run the mill. got a letter from Moses Townsend he wants the mill as soon as he can get it and I want him to have it as Bad.

Jun 15 Clear and cloudy at intervals Rained hard inafternoon. wrote a letter to Moses Townsend. got along but Poorly at the mill to Day. traded Jona Harris my Black Oxen for a Note on David Woodruff for 2 Hundred Dollars with Ben Hawleys name forged on it as security he is to give me a barrel of flour to Boot.

Jun 16 Clear & only Partially so at time warm & Pleasant. attended court to Day But the trial Did not come on and I shall have to go again tomorrow. Chessman (my neighbor)

has Discovered By close observation that corn soaked Previous to Planting will not stand as much frost as corn that is Planted Dry the Kernal being easier killed and when that is gone it will not sprout the second time. cool at sunset.

Jun 17 Cloudy & warm very fine growing weather. Margaret & I went to Lisbon I was going to Pay my tax & she went with me for a Ride. tried to buy a white Squirrel of Mr Miller but he put on to Steep a Price (5 Dollars). spent most of the afternoon up town. Bought a cheese for 8 its a ____.

Jun 18 Clear & fine summer weather. helping on the mill to Day.

Jun 19 Cloudy but not much like Rain. I shackeled about all Day got Diner at Timothy Gees got home about 3 O'clock PM. met Joel Bonsall & Joel Sharp at the mill. they took the Dimentions of a Bull wheel are to make it for Townsend the man that Bought the mill. Rained about 5 O'clock. Sis took Jack and the Carriage and went to Scholdfields and brot Lizzie home.

Jun 20 Cloudy & Dull. worked some at the mill some at the Brick yard Mark helped us. hauled Poles & forks for a new shed got them of Joseph Ball.

Jun 21 Clear & cloudy at intervals. Mark is hauling wood I am Doing a little in the corn field corn Prospects are very slim. Margaret & Sis is away at Father Goulbourns washing.

Jun 22 Clear & cloudy at intervals. worked some at the corn & some at the mill. Cris Put fire into our Brick Kiln. Rained a little in afternoon.

Jun 23 Clear & warm. sett up Part of the night with the Brick kiln. fine a& warm good growing weather now. Kiln is Doing fine. I worked on the Saw mill.

Jun 24 Clear & cloudy at intervals. Mark hauling wood I helping on the Sawmill and Blacksmithing Some. one sett of hands making Brick.

Jun 25 Cloudy & Dull. made a new Brick shed. helped some on the mill collected some money etc etc. have no time to add more.

Jun 26 Cloudy but very Pleasant. Brick kiln is about Done. Sis & Lizzie gone to Columbiana to Lydia. Mark had to haul 2 loads of wood to Day. wrote a letter to David Woodruff enclosing a 2 hundred Dollar note that I bought of Jonathan Harris gave him my Black muley oxen for it. Shut up our Brick Kiln got a good burn in 4 1/2 Days the quickest we ever burned one.

Jun 27 Clear & warm. Mark is working the corn. I hauled a load of Slack in forenoon. in afternoon the Boys haul water to Sawmill. I made a churn Dasher & lid. cloudy at sunsett.

Jun 28 Cloudy & very warm heavy wind but no Rain. Bought 18 lb of Beef. churned in our new stone churn like it well. very warm at 6 O'clock. Amos worked on the mill most of the Day. collected. (drawing labeled Jenny)

Jun 29 Clear & cloudy at intervals at noon looks like Rain. worked on the mill. in afternoon went up town. Blowed & Rained hard at 3 O'clock PM. Bought a Pair of new shoes cost 2 50/100.

Jun 30 Cloudy & cool for time of year. helped at the mill. Jacob Coy our fireman got his arm hurt and is forced to quit work.

Jul 1 Clear & Pleasant. I am acting fireman to Day. Joseph Ball is helping us finishing the Sawing. Sold my log Cart for what we called 111 Dollars (a watch &____ and 45 Dollars money in 6 months) got out of watter again was forced to stop a little before night. Margaret visited at Dickinsons wife Sarah.

Jul 2 Clear & warm with pleasant breese from South west. have Sylvester Irvin helping us hoe corn. got out of water again to Day was forced to quit Sawing.

Jul 3 Cloudy & cold. Amos Tucker & I went out to see Jo Thomas sawmill. Mark & I hoed an acre of Corn before breakfast. Margaret Haines and her intended visited us to Day was pleased to have them Do so. 20 years this evening we were married.

Jul 4 Clear & cool. great Temperance Celebration to Day but we run our mill want to get Done. went up town in evening to see the fire works. Borrowed 8 Dollars of Henry Mull Paid some of it to my Brick makers.

Jul 5 Clear & Pleasant all Day. Run the mill Mark is working the corn. water gave out before night.

Jul 6 Cloudy & cool. got up early and took Lizzie over to Father Goulbourns to Do our washing. Run the mill to Day got Done. want to commence tearing it Down tomorrow. Florine Stafford is here to Day her Mother is Married again on July 4th. Margaret is at the Sewing Circle. Rained most of the afternoon.

Jul 7 Clear & cloudy at intervals but no Rain. took Down some of the mill Machinery am tired. Jonathan Bolen Bought my log cart gave me a watch and gold ____ and his note for 45 Dollars payable in six months with interest. I gave the ____ to Margaret it is a very handsome one.

Jul 8 Clear & warm. opened our Brick Kiln. Mark & Aaron are hauling brick to Hamilton Howel. I engaged a Car on which to ship the Engine and bespoke a chimney of Gardner. John Callahan quit to Day he and Abram could not agree.

Jul 9 Clear & warm all Day. Jo Venable cut most of our wheat it is not all Killed. shall

have 15 or 20 bushels. traded watches with Mark he gave me 25 Dollars to boot. Jacob Sell paid me 9 Dollars he owed me for a yearling bull I sold him some time since.

Jul 10 Clear & warm ground is getting Dry. Marius Robinson has an Anti Slavery meeting at Cool Spring and Margaret took Jim and the Buggy and took him Down I was too tired to go. laid about the House all Day. Margaret & got Back about sunsett. very warm.

Jul 11 Clear & very warm. Jo Venable finished cutting our wheat. Mark is working the Corn. Amos & I are tearing Down the Sawmill.

Jul 12 Clear & hot. got up early while the Stars were yet shining & took Margaret over to Father Goulbourns to work. waited until 6 O'clock for our Butcher to Bring us meat for breakfast he not coming I put to Town and Bought some. made the trip in 17 minutes.

Jul 13 Clear & warm. Mark helped Amos & I to Day and we got our Engine & Machinery all to the Station. wrote a line to Moses Townsend apprising him of it that he may be on the look out for it.

Jul 14 Clear & warm. Amos & I finished loading the Car and I seen it Start for the west. Mark hauled sand. wrote a letter to Moses Townsend sent it in the Bill of Lading.

Jul 15 Cloudy & warm with Some prospects of Rain. Mark is hauling lumber to Day. splendid Rains this aftrnoon everything is now Right for the fall crops.

Jul 16 Clear & warm with as fine growing weather as can be. air is fresh and invigorating. Mark is working our Potatoes. I bound up some wheat Straw.

Jul 17 Clear & very warm all Day. we visited at John Gordons got back in good time.

Jul 18 Cloudy & some Rain to Day. Mark is in the Corn. I hauled some Brick. Delightful weather am too tired to write more. John Dixon Died.

Jul 19 Clear & cloudy at intervals but no Rain. Mark worked the corn I hauled Brick until noon.

Jul 20 Clear and warm. commenced cutting our grass Mark Abram Hafley & Charles Taylor is Doing it. I am hauling Brick. some cloudy in afternoon. Bought a ham cost 375 cents. Jonathan Harris Bought me a barrel of flour cost 7 50/100 Doll he owed me one.

Jul 21 Cloudy and Dull but no Rain. I hauled Brick all Day. Bought a cheese cost 4 48/100 Doll.

Jul 22 Clear & warm. wrote a letter to John Hise hauled some Brick in forenoon. in

afternoon helped at the hay. Rained a very little about 5 O'clock PM.

Jul 23 Clear & cloudy at intervals fine weather. got our Hay & wheat all in in good order. my eyes are so sore I can Do nothing one of them is very Bad. left my watch with Daniel Smith to get it cleaned. Paid Charles Taylor one Dollar.

Jul 24 Clear & cool for time of year. eyes some better this morning. Margaret Lizzie & I took a walk over into Chessmans woods to a Beach tree on which I cut my name 20 years ago about 2 hours before I was married it is yet Plain.

Jul 25 Clear & Dry. I hauled Brick Jo Venable & Mark Cut our Barley. Lydia E Hively and 2 other Ladies of Columbiana called in & took Diner with us. went home again on the 5 O'clock train. Raney (the Horse tamer Lectured.

Jul 26 Clear & warm no Prospects of Rain. Abram Greenawalt Built us an oven. Mark hauled Brick.

Jul 27 Clear & Dry with no Prospects of Rain. Amos & I are hewing some timber to finish out a Bill for James Cornell.

Jul 28 Clear & cool. finished hewing timber. no Prospects of Rain and a very Poor Prospect for Corn.

Jul 29 Clear & warm. hauled up the Ballance of our Timber. Amos started out to Moses Townsend to Put up the Sawmill.

Jul 30 Clear & warm very Dry. Mark & Aaron hauled in Barley. I spent the time up town Selling lots of Brick.

Jul 31 Cloudy with some Rain but not enough to wet the ground much. Sis has lots of Company to Day. I made an iron for my threshing machine.

Aug 1 Cloudy and a little Rain. Spent the Day in Town Traded my large Oxen to Henry Shaffer for a fine Gold Watch gave him ten Dollars to boot. should not have Done but the Oxen are hard cases Old and breechy. considerable Rain through the Day.

Aug 2 Cloudy & wet this morning with considerable Rain last night. Mark hauled wood to Brickyard. I spent the Day about Town awaiting the arrival of the Contractor for Building of the Presbyterian Church But he Did not arrive until 5 O'clock PM. I want to furnish him the Brick. Settled with james Cornell he Paid me off.

Aug 3 Clear or Partially so very warm fine growing weather. Mark hauled wood. I spent the Day in Town looking out for the job of Brick to furnish to the Presbyterians. got a letter from David Woodruff containing 30 Dollars in money and an order on C H Ardis of Louisiana for 30 more.

Aug 4 Cloudy with the biggest kind of Rain ground well wet to Day. spent most of the Day up Town.

Aug 5 Cloudy warm with every appearance of more Rain. made a good Stone culvert at the lane end. Mark is hauling lumber to Town.

Aug 6 Clear & fine all hands getting in oats but myself. I helped George Henshilwood make a Pair of Brick molds.

Aug 7 Clear and very Pleasant. Bound up and hauled in all our Oats Cris helped us.

Aug 8 Clear & warm. spent the Day Preparing to start west to put up Sawmill.

Aug 9 Clear & warm. shall leave on the 4 O'clock PM train for Lima Allen Co Ohio will keep me busy to get Ready. have 3 sett of hands making Brick.

Aug 23 Cloudy with some Rain last night. Returned at 12 M to Day. got my Sawmill started on the 22nd Done well. had a Pleasant out to Moses Townsends found all well. turned in to assist and in two weeks got the mill Ready to Run. found Mercer County a much better one than I expected a very good county indeed. on my Return stopped over night with William Chany in Lima AllenCo Ohio had a good time talking about Old acquaintences. he has been absent from Salem 9 years. on my Return learned Henry Mall was Dead and buried he was Bad when I left. got a letter from David Woodruff containing 50 Dollars.

Aug 24 Clear & Pleasant. got a severe cold to unwell to write. our Kiln is Doing well.

Aug 25 Cloudy & Dull. Mark finished hauling wood to Day.

Aug 26 Cloudy and Dull. all hands making Brick shut the Kiln to Day got a good Burn I think. cold still Bad.

Aug 27 Cloudy & foggy. cold a little better. Mark is hauling out manure all hands at work on the yard.

Aug 28 Cloudy and a little Rain last night. the girls got up at 4 O'clock and started to Columbian on a spree. Cleared off and is very fine cool at sundown. Northern lights very Brilliant.

Aug 29 Clear & cool considerable frost this morning. Cris & I quarried Stone for our cellar. got Jim Post to Kill our Calf.

Aug 30 Clear & cool a little frost this morning in low Places. Settled with Tom Sharpnack owed him 70 Dollars gave him my Due Bill the amount. spent most of the Day

in Town.

Aug 31 Clear & warm. hauled some lumber & some fire wood up Town. got Kate shod all around. Sold Old Jack to Don Holloway the Same man I Bought him of and for the same money.

Sep 1 Clear & some cloudy at intervals. Done but little to Day. hauled some lumber. Started to Pitt.

Sep 2 Clear & cloudy at intervals a little Rain last night. a brilliant Aurora Borealis last night. Put up at the St Charles charged me one Dollar for lodging and Breakfast. went up the Hill to see a Brick Press and see them make Brick. brot a couple of Pressed Brick home with me arrived safe at 4 O'clock PM.

Sep 3 Cloudy and Pleasant. Margaret went up to Alliance to attend the A S S Society I want to go on the morrow.

Sep 4 Clear & cool very Pleasant. got up early and went up to Alliance and attended the Anniversary had a large gathering. Margaret came home with me.

Sep 5 Cloudy & cool. threshed some oats on our new threshing machine like it well. commenced Diging our cellar. Pius Bean closed up his business by appointing Assigning James Boone Esq is the one appointed.

Sep 6 Clear & cool. Mark & I hauled Brick to John Chisholm. fine weather for making Brick.

Sep 7 Clear & Pleasant. Sold "Old Jack" to Don Holloway for 120 Dollars in 7 months with interest Imla Holloway is Bail on the note.

Sep 8 Clear & cool some frost this morning. hauling Brick. weather Delightful. am now at work tearing Down a Part of our House must Rebuild it. Susan Johnson Buried (Colored woman).

Sep 9 Cloudy & clear at intervals. Mark & I Dug cellar and tore Down our old Kitchen.

Sep 10 Cloudy & Dull. Mark & I got a Ridge Pole of Joseph Ball. Cris Put on the shed our Brick is all covered well. Paid out all the money I had to my work hands. attended a free meeting in the Town Hall. Benj Hawley was appointed chairman & Marius Robinson Secretary. Parker Pillsbury & others addressed the meeting on the question of Sabbath observance.

Sep 11 Cloudy with a little Rain cool & Dull. Lydia E Hively & David Esterly of Columbiana Paid us a visit. Parker Pillsbury lectured in the Town Hall subject the Sabbath. he & Mr & Mrs Gordon took Tea with us. attended an evening meeting in the

hall. Clear & as Bright moon light as I ever Saw.

Sep 12 Clear & warm. Mark is hauling stone I am Digging cellar. got a Telegraph Dispatch at 12 O'clock announcing the Death of Amos Tucker. he Died on last Saturday at 1/2 Past 2 O'clock in Mercer Co Ohio at the House of Moses Townsend. his Disease was the Chill Fever of the Congestive Kind. his Corpse arrived on the noon Train of Cars. Samuel Barnaby accompanied him. he isto be Buried on tomorrow at 10 O'clock. Borrowed 50 Dollars of Thomas & Greiner Paid 45 of it to Abram Hafley. I am 46 years old to Day.

Sep 13 Cloudy & cool. Dug cellar a part of the Day. attended the funeral of Amos Tucker Poor fellow. it seems Strange that he is gone only 3 weeks since I left him well in Mercer Co Ohio.

Sep 14 Cloudy & clear at intervals. Threshed out some wheat for seed. Entered Kate & Nell for Premium at the Fair.

Sep 15 Clear & cool. attended the Fair all Day was on a Committee Mr Weeks & James Davis was with me. quite a good Fair.

Sep 16 Cloudy & Dull Drizzled Rain most of the Day. was at the Fair but little having too much else on hand.

Sep 17 Cloudy with Dense fog. split Stone and helped Mark to load. got quite a good bunch of them Ready for the cellar.

Sep 18 Cloudy & Dense fog. worked at the Cellar most of the Day. Repaired our Sled to haul watter. Cleared off and is fine weather again. Margaret took a Ride over to Father Goulbourns this evening got Back about Dark.

Sep 19 Cloudy & clear at intervals. James Hoy came to split stone we got Done at noon. Mark hauled lumber up from the mill. spent the afternoon up Town. Sarah McMillen is sick.

Sep 20 Cloudy & wet Rained all Day or nearly so. sett Brick. Borrowed 75 Dollars of John Deming am to Pay it Back when Joel McMillen Returns from the East. Sis & Florine went to Pittsburgh.

Sep 21 Cloudy & wet. hauled some Brick & sett some. Roads muddy.

Sep 22 Cloudy & wet. hauled Brick. Paid Charles Kemper 15 Dollars.

Sep 23 Cloudy & wet. hauled Brick. Paid Ephraim Smith 23 26/100 Doll all I owed him.

Sep 24 Cloudy & Dull but little to Day. hauled Brick. Paid Dayton Holloway 5 Dollars

on account.

Sep 25 Cloudy & wet Rained all Day. Roads muddy. Throwed a note Bank for 2 Hundred Dollars Joel McMillen Endorsed it. Paid John Deming the 75 Doll I Borrowed of him. Paid Don Hafley 15 Doll Josh Holloway 15 Doll etc etc.

Sep 25 Cloudy & cooler no Rain to Day. went Down to Franklin Square to see a Sawmill talk of Buyingit. spent the most of the Day at Home. wrote a letter to D Woodruff.

Sep 26 Clear & Pleasant in forenoon. Ben Hilman & George Fleck came on to Day to Build our House. Mark is hauling Brick. got a letter from Sis she is in Pittsburgh.

Sep 27 Cloudy & Dull. went to Joseph Balls Sale. Bought old wagon & cart etc etc. in afternoon tended masons at our Cellar.

Sep 28 Cloudy but no Rain to Day. tended masons. Mark hauled Brick.

Sep 29 Clear & Pleasant all Day. I attended masons and Mark hauled Brick.

Sep 30 Cloudy & looks like Rain at 6 O'clock AM But Rained none. tended mason. Mark hauled Brick. I went out to Charles Denis's Farm a Place I had not been for 34 years. I was there that long ago.

Oct 1 Cloudy & wet. Rained good part of the night last night. brot our Old iron from Joseph Balls that I Bought at his vondue. in afternoon Mark & I hauled stone.

Oct 2 Clear & Pleasant all Day. I Picked some apples. John Gordon called on an errand and stayed with me an hour or so. Margaret & Lizzie took a Buggy Ride out to Dickinsons and Saxons. I preferred staying at home. wrote 4 letters to Different Persons. Mary Ann (our Daughter) who is now in Pittsburgh, one to John Hise of Jennings Co Indiana Amos Gilbert of Lancaster Co Pa & one to Clinton H Andis of Minden Louisiana.

Oct 3 Clear & Pleasant all Day. the masons finished our Cellar all that we can Do at Present. Paid Charley Kemper ten Dollars.

Oct 4 Clear & very Pleasant. no Carpenters here to Day. got a letter from Sis she is coming home on next monday.

Oct 5 Clear & Pleasant. helped the Carpenters to Day. Mark hauling Brick. Margaret & Mrs Tucker went visiting Down to Sister unos. Lizzie Sensenbaugh visited us this afternoon went home since Dark. clouded up at 5 O'clock PM.

Oct 6 Clear & fine. all hands Digging Potatoes to Day except myself. I am tearing Down our House too late in the Season But it must be Done. cold at sunsett.

Oct 7 Cloudy & Dull Rained considerable. Mark hauled Brick I tore Down Part of our House.

Oct 8 Cloudy & Rained all Day. I worked out most of the time got wet. Built the foundation under the south corner of our House.

Oct 9 Clear & cool. Lizzie took Jim & the Buggy. went 2 miles East of greenvillage on a short visit got home safe at sunsett. Mark & I Picked our Apples. John Callahans wife Died.

Oct 10 Clear & very cold ground froze where there was any water on it. all hands cutting up our corn. I hauled some Brick. Sis came home at 3 O'clock PM was glad to get home and we to see her. cold at sundown. Delpha Fairfax Died.

Oct 11 Clear & warm. Doc Schooley Died this morning. Mark is cutting up corn. I hauled 2 loads of Brick. Margaret took Mother Hise out to Jesse Strawns left her there she is going to stay a Day or two.

Oct 12 Clear & calm all Day. finished cutting corn at Noon. hauled Brick in afternoon. Sold Don Holloway a little lumber still selling a little will soon be out of that article.

Oct 13 Clear and windy to Day. weather very Pleasant. our Kiln is Doing well. Mark is hauling Brick.

Oct 14 Cloudy with little Rain about Daylight but before noon cleared off and was Pleasant all the Ballance of the Day. Carpenters Raised some more of our house. I am now ashamed of having built so large had no idea it would look so extravagently large as it Does. in the evening I attended a Lecture on Phrenology By Doc Wagner of Lancaster Pa at the Solicitation of Doc Carey. I submitted my head to his touch he gave me Rather a Poor character. told the audience I would to certain things (were they true) would make me feel Bad enough. I had some confidence in the Science But as the Same man 5 years ago gave me a character Directly the opposite I must confess to a Degree of skepticisism.

Oct 15 Clear & cool. Margaret & I attended the Sale of Benj Bown Bought nothing. cold all Day. came home at 4 O'clock PM. Harris & Bolden Paid 950 cents for Brick. Ann Pearson Paid me 5 Dollars. Bought Flour.

Oct 16 Clear & cool considerable Frost. got up early took a walk up Town. returned at 7 O'clock found Margaret the only one out of Bed she has breakfast about Ready as I write. Piled Lumber most of the Day.

Oct 17 Cloudy & wet all Day. Done a little work about the Barn. took a load of lumber up intending to put it on the Kiln to Dry it But was affraid it would take fire as the Kiln is yet very hot.

Oct 18 Cloudy & wet wind from the North west blowing a gale. our house is now in a bad fix being Destitute of a Roof or in a maner so. we have the new one Raised around it but no Roof nor even Rafters on it and it is well enough for the wind would blow them off. Cris & I laid floor in our Cellar at the Barn & Mark & Aaron filled it with Pumpkins.

Oct 19 Cloudy & cold but no frost last night. Carpenters at work to Day. Mark hauled Pumpkins to Town for one Dollar per load. Margaret & Sis went to Father Goulbourns to wash. cool at sundown. settled with John Kineman gave him my Due Bill for 40 50/100 Dolls.

Oct 20 Cloudy & Blustery cold wind all Day. Dug our long Red Potatoes a great crop. in afternoon Mark hauled Pumpkins for George Flick. snowed some but very little.

Oct 21 Cloudy & cold ground covered with Snow. Mark hauled Shingles. I made a first Rate oak Bin to hold Potatoes. thawed a little about noon.

Oct 22 Cloudy & snowing a little at Daylight thawed some toward noon. Moved our shop toward the house (from the Sawmill. Mark brot home the Ballance of our Shingles.

Oct 23 Clear & Pleasant at 8 O'clock AM but soon clouded up. heard with sorrow that Jesse's wife accidently upset a fluid lamp which caused it to explode burning herself and "little Charlie" almost to Death. the latter is thought cannot survive. Margaret & I were up there all the afternoon she is going to stay all night.

Oct 24 Clear and cool at sunrise ground froze where it was much wet. helped the Carpenters to Day. Mark & Cris hauled Brick. Jesse's "Little Charlie" who got so Badly Burned expired at 9 O'clock last night. Mary (his Mother) is very Bad. Paid Lizzie ten Dollars. Cloudy and some warmer at sundown looks like Rain. George Fleck commenced.

Oct 25 Clear & Pleasant most of the Day. sttended the Funeral of Jesse's little Charlie. Done various shores. Pleasant Indian Sumer. Bought Margaret a Pair of Kid gloves.

Oct 26 Cloudy and growed groudly colder all Day. Cris & I hauled Stone Mark & Aaron hauled Brick. James Eggmon Died. gathered our Beets had 4 Bushels. Roads good. got a letter from Unkle Amos Gilbert.

Oct 27 Cloudy & cold some snow on the ground. Baldwin Marhall came on to Do the stone work of our woodhouse. George Noosebaum and James Hays came at noon. moderated Sun shone very Pleasant a part of the Day but got cooler toward night. Warrick martin brot us a quarter of beef weighed 90 lb. Lizzie & little Ed went to Columbiana.

Oct 28 Cloudy & cool all Day. Mark & I hauled stone in forenoon. the Stone Masons

got our work about Done. weather is about the same snowing a very little at Dark.

Oct 29 Cloudy & cool. Cris & I cleaned up around the Hosue and hauled up some lumber in forenoon. in afternoon we cleared away some of the Casing from our Kiln. Drawed 50 Dollars of Joseph Brooks.

Oct 30 Cloudy & cool Pleasant. went cleared up around our House in forenoon. in afternoon visited at Joel McMillens. Mrs Bown John Deming & wife were there also. Thomas Sharp called in & took Diner with us at Joels after which I went with him over to our old Sawmill and gave him a sett of Hubs & tongue for a log cart. Mother Hise & Lizzie Wait visited us.

Oct 31 Cloud & Pleasant. helped some about the House. Traded a watch to Peter Kuntz for furniture. Paid John Kineman 30 Dollars. Mark & Aaron Hauled Brick Cris worked the Road.

Nov 1 Clear and cool but Pleasant. opened our new Kiln. I went to Lisbon this afternoon. Cris is working on the Road.

Nov 2 Clear & very Pleasant Indian Sumer. spent the Day at Lisbon attending the Court got home at 11 O'clock P.M.

Nov 3 Cloudy but fine weather. moved our shop up from the mill and commenced to move a stable up town of which I mean to make a House.

Nov 4 Clear and smoky beautiful Indian Sumer. helped the Carpenters to Day got along well.

Nov 5 Clear & very fine Indian sumer. helped the Carpenters all Day. got a letter from C.H. Andis with a Remitance of 20 Dollars on David Woodruff's account. heard this morning that Benj Hawley gained the Suit between himself & Hill Tolerton. Bought a keg of white lead.

Nov 6 Clear & Delightful all Day. Cris & I Put our Shop to its place. George Flick Primed our House we are getting along well with it.

Nov 7 Clear & most Delightful weather. 4 Carpenters to Day But Ben Hilman was so Damned Crusty I told him he might go Home and he Done so at noon.

Nov 8 Clear with as Pleasant weather as can be. all of us Carpenters at the House. got the Rafters up and some of the Sheeting on.

Nov 9 Clear with fine Indian Sumer. all hands at work putting up sheating. getting along well. Run a nail in my knee.

Nov 10 Cloudy & Pleasant very Smoky. all hands still at the Roof. Mark hauled some shingles 2 hands shingled. got the north side of Roof on.

Nov 11 Cloudy But no Rain all Day. 3 hands shingled got the north East Side on or nearly so. my knee so sore I could not help any.

Nov 12 Cloudy & wet Rained all Day. George Flick framed the pen line & Rafters for wood house. I Done but little.

Nov 13 Cloudy & cold with one inch of Snow on the ground. my knee is yet sore has been so painful I could not write let my journal go unwritten for 3 or 4 Days and made Rather a poor fist at writing it up.

Nov 14 Cloudy & cold but no more snow. George is making Barn Doors Mark & Cris is hauling wood.

Nov 15 Clear & cold but sun shone which made it quite pleasant. George Shingled Mark hauled wood to Town. Cris husked corn. knee is very sore.

Nov 16 Clear & cold ground froze hard sun shines Bright. Levi Straly is helping George Shingle Cris husking corn Mark hauling Brick.

Nov 17 Clear at sunrise Pleasant all Day. Ezra Wait brot me some oysters Margaret made them into soup were excellent. Mother McMillen visited us this afternoon and this evening Lydia E Hively called in to stay all night. she & I played a few games of Ukre but soon got tired knee is getting better.

Nov 18 Cloudy & warm. Lydia started home at noon. commenced Raining about 2 O'clock PM and continued all the afternoon and at Dark is Raining hard. I was up town to Day for the first time for a week.

Nov 19 Cloudy & wet Drizzled Rain most of the Day. Abram Genewalt built a flue for us. Mark hauled boards etc etc.

Nov 20 Cloudy but no Rain quite pleasant all Day. Abram Hafley spent good Part of the Day with us Jesse Hise was with also. we Played some Ukre. knee is still mending.

Nov 21 Clear & cool ground froze considerable. turned warm and Rained smost of the Day. I was up town.

Nov 22 Cleared off this morning and is quite Pleasant all Day. Carpenters at work shingling. I was out to John McCartneys to trade for shingles but got none.

Nov 23 Cloudy & cold all Day. Straghley had to quit Shingling on account of the Cold but George stuck to it all Day. Margaret was up to the Sewing circle.

Nov 24 Clear & very fine weather. Carpenters both Shingling. Margaret Sis & I took Diner with Wait.

Nov 25 Cloudy & cool. Abram Grenawalt came and commenced our Chimney but soon quit on account of the Rain. he might have stayed as it Rined none this afternoon. sold Joseph Castleberry a 2 year old steer for 18 Dollars too little but could get no more. sent a Dollar to Oliver Johnson to Procure a likeness of John Brown the Hero of Harpers Ferry.

Nov 26 Cloudy windy but not very cold. Abram is at work at the Chimney to Day. George & I finished shingling the House. Mark & Aaron is getting in corn.

Nov 27 Cloudy but pleasant. cleaned up trash around the House. took a walk Down to Fawcetts woods want to get a lot of Brick wood cut. came home by Joseph Fawcetts Bought what wood I have a mind to cut for 10 cents per Cord.

Nov 28 Clear & warm. Mark hauled Sand & Brick. I helped George Flick Put on the Rafters and sheated our wood house. went to Town in the evening got an order of Sharp Davis & Bonsall for 5 thousand Shingles am to get them of Lewis Williamson.

Nov 29 Clear & cold at sunrise but looks like being Pleasant . clouded up and is cold we are however shingling. Margaret has gone visiting to Yerkes Howels Mother Hise goes with her. got one side of our shed covered.

Nov 30 Cloudy and warm sun shone out at times as Pleasant as April. I spent most of the Day in Town. George is weatherboarding Mark & Cris getting in Corn. Rained a little about Dark.

Dec 1 Cloudy & warm Rained some in afternoon. helped George a Part of the Day. Paid Wm Hewitt 27 Doll and 75 cents owe him 25 Dollars yet.

Dec 2 Cloudy warm & wet Rained all Day growed gradually colder toward evening and froze up the mud. Disagreeable Day and to me a Melancholly one. to Day Poor Old John Brown of Kansas Notority Dies on the Gallows at Charlestown Va. his crime (as they call it) was trying to liberate the Slaves. Generations to come will erect his Monument. he is not appreciated at Present except by a few.

Dec 3 Cloudy & cold ground froze up snowed in afternoon. I spent the Day up town arranging money maters with Jesse I must help him as he can Do nothing. the Daily Papers were eagerly sought & Read giving as they Did an account of the Execution of John Brown which took place 1/4 Past 11 O'clock AM. he Died as he had lived the unconquered friend of Liberty. he suffered no Cringing Priest to offer his mocking consolation in his last moments. he Died with a full Reliance on God his Demeanor was calm and composed & his Step as he ascended the Scaffold was firm and undaunted. he

took nothing back but Defended his actions with his expiring breath. a large meeting was held in the Town Hall this evening to Commemorate his Memory. very affecting addresses were Delivered by B S Jones Mrs Griffing & others.

Dec 4 Cloudy and some warmer Rained in the night but is still cold enough to keep the snow from melting crust on the snow. foggy cannot see many Roads. turned warmer toward evening and is thawing at Dark.

Dec 5 Cloudy & Foggy thawed all Day Roads very muddy. spent most of the Day up Town to but litttle Purpose. George has the wood house very nearly enclosed. got Ready to Butcher.

Dec 6 Cloudy & wet Rained all Day but we Butchered our hogs got wet to the skin got Done before night. showed James Conner where to chop wood he is going to chop 200 cords hope he will.

Dec 7 Cloudy & cold snowing like the very tarnol wind blowed from the Northwest about 6 inches already Down. Ham Howell Paid me one hundred Dollars for Brick owes me 14 yet. throwed a Note in Bank for 300 Dollars Paid Joel McMillen 30 Dollars Paid Cris Kineman 50 Dollars 15 of it for work Done since Oct 15 to present time and the Ballance 35 Dollars I credit on a note of 46 Dollars he holds against me. cut up and salted my Pork was forced to cut it up in the sitting Room it is all the Room we have got.

Dec 8 Cloudy & cold with some snow. Mark & Cris took our young Cattle that I sold Down to Jacob Mickleys. I spent the Day up town.

Dec 9 Clear & cold. spent the Day up town. Paid Mrs Coats 231 17/100 Doll for Jesse Hise. in afternoon left for Columbiana.

Dec 10 Clear & cold. Returned home this morning on the 5 O'clock Train. spent the Day up town. thawd a little in Places but was cold all Day. Paid Mark 20.00 George Flcik 2 Doll.

Dec 11 Clear & Cloudy at intervals but cold all Day I sat by the fire. Eltins Sharpnack visited us. Sold Hamilton Howel the Old Violin that we had a fuss about 2 years ago he gave me 25 Dollars for it 5 Dollars in Smithing and 20 in money gave his note for the 20 12 months after Date with interest.

Dec 12 Clear & cold. helped George at the House in forenoon. in afternoon was up town. George got one gable end shut up.

Dec 13 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. George & I framed a Blacksmith shop. sold C C Brainard my sled for 10 Dollars he is to Pay George 1/2 a beef and the ballance in money.

Dec 14 Cloudy with some more snow Down. wrote Wm Yates a letter. Settled with John C Whinney for the Acre of ground Bought of him gave him my Note for 497 15/100 Dollars payable in 16 months with interest.

Dec 15 Clear & warm in the Sun very Pleasant. helped George at the shop got the Rafters up and most of the Siding on. Bought 100 Pounds of nails of Dole & Silver. Mark hauled wood. Margaret is Poorly has the Neurology in her legs.

Dec 16 Clear & stars shine Bright to Day. 4 more of the Heroes of Harpers Ferry Suffer Death on the gallows. Green & Carpenter Collored, Cook & Coppock white. the latter is a native of this Place Born & Raised a quaker. his Death will be avenged (he has a Brother left that will be very likely to Do it.

Dec 17 Cloudy & warm Rained most of the Day. Settled with Joseph Helman he owed me 46 67/100 Doll. got twine to make our wreaths. got a photograph of the Martyr John Brown the Hero of Harpers Ferry

Dec 18 Cloudy and a little Colder ground froze up again. we all went to Mr Gordons and made our wreaths got home at 5 O'clock. on arriving in Town found a Dispatch from Philadelphia announcing the Death of Aunt Rebecca Lukens to Day. She is a sister of Mother Hise.

Dec 19 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. Mother Hise and Uncle Silas Howel (her only Brother) started East at 1 O'clock to attend the Funeral of Aunt Rebecca. Mark hauled wood.

Dec 20 Cloudy and snowing at Daylight continued snowing all Day. Sleighing is excellent. Mark cleaned out the Basement of the Sawmill we want to fill it with ice. got a line from David Esterly of Columbiana he wants me to get him a Situation in some one of our Mercantile Houses as a Clerk. I will try

Dec 21 Cloudy & colder this morning. helped George make and Put up a new work bench in our new shop. Mark hauled wood I spent the afternoon up Town. Paid Joel Stratton ten Dollars.

Dec 22 Cloudy & cold excellent sleighing. made a Pattern for sled shoe took it up and got a casting off of it. In afternoon Theodore Brady & I Decorated the Town Hall in Readiness for the A S Fair. Monroe Vickers helped me in the evening.

Dec 23 Cloudy with a little more snow. opened our Fair everything goes off just Right. Paid Mark eleven Dollars Mrs Detrick 10 Dollars.

Dec 24 Cloudy & cold Sleighing as good as can be. worked all Day at the Fair. sold ice cream to the amount of ten Dollars & 83 cents. got home at 11 O'clock Pm.

Dec 25 Cloudy & cold. got up late. Lizzie Dickinson spent the Day with us. her Father came for her about 4 O'clock P.M. took Supper with us before Starting was Sorry to have him go so soon. turned warmer about noon and at 8 in evening is thawing enough to cause the water to Run off the house Roof.

Dec 26 Clear & warm at Daylight thawed all night last night and continued through the Day. Put up our Fair goods tables etc.

Dec 27 Cloudy & colder ground froze where it was bare Roads very icy. sent a Pair of Pitman Boxes to Moses Townsend. George shut up 2 more gable ends to Day got one to shut up yet. Some Anti Slavery Friends Brot the Body of Edwin Coppic to Salem to Day to be intered in the Plank Road Cemetery on Friday next.

Dec 28 Cloudy & cooler snowed very fast for about one hour this morning. Mark hauled wood I am at work on a new Bob Sled. good Sleighing.

Dec 29 Cloudy & cool Sledding good. got a letter from Moses Townsend sent an answer. got the Sash for our House. Rained a little in the evening is veryicy. ground my axe. Bought 25 lb Sugar.

Dec 30 Cloudy & cool snowed a little last night Sledding excellent. Cleared off at ten O'clock AM. David Esterly of Columbiana called with us. to Day was a great Day in Salem. a few Anti Slavery Friends removed the Remains of Edwin Coppock (one of the Heroes of Harpers Ferry) who was executed at Charlestown Va 2 weeks ago to Day for the purpose of interment in the Salem Cemetry. not less than 6000 Persons attended his Funeral. Mr Thorne of Cleveland Preached his Funeral Discourse and Right Faithfully Did he Do it. all Past off Most harmoniously. a monument will be Erected to his memory.

Dec 31 Clear & very cold much colder than any time this winter. threshed some Oats spent the afternoon up town. Bought some Paper etc etc.

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Jan 1 Clear & very cold. George & Alfred Sheets visited us to Day was glad to have them. Abram Hafley also took Diner (an Supper) with us. very cold all Day. I have a severe head ache set up late to keep the House warm.

Jan 2 Cloudy and very cold but cleared off about noon and is Pleasant in the Sun. Mark Oiled our Harness I cut some ice. Mother Hise Returned this morning from Philadelphia.

Jan 3 Cloudy & cold. I cut ice & Mark Hauled it. took Supper with Mother Hise. Margart went Down to Father Goulbourns Mother Goulbourn is sick. In the evening we went Down after her. Mother is quite Poorly.

Jan 4 Cloudy & looks like storming. commenced cutting ice but Soon was forced to quit on account of the snow. it stormed hard about 10 O'clock AM I knocked off. Mark hauled what was cut. I spent the Ballance of the Day up town.

Jan 5 Clear & beautiful thawed a little in the sun but is cold weather excellent sleighing. Margaret is out at Father Goulbourns to night. Lizzie was there last night. Settled with Joel McMillen he owed me a little over 9 Dollars on Book acct.

Jan 6 Cloudy & cool most excellent Sledding. Mark hauled wood I spent the Day up town. was Down to see Mother Goulbourn she is very Poorly. handed in Proposals for making the Brick for the School House.

Jan 7 Cloudy & warm Rained most of the Day. I made a small wheel barrow for Edward.

Jan 8 Cloudy at sunrise and looks very much like Rain. all went Down to Sam Sharpnack to eat Turkey. the Roads are a glib of ice got back safe. Cleared off and was quite Pleasant in afternoon.

Jan 9 Clear & Cloudy at intervals through the Day. Paid Abram Hafley 45 Dollars owe him some yet. Mark covered our ice with Saw Dust. Margaret is over to Father Goulbourns Mother is worse. George finished shingling our woodshed to Day. (Roads are sloppy).

Jan 10 Cloudy & warm all Day. we thrashed out some of our Barley. helped George Shingle the shop got one half Done. took Mother Hise over to see Mother Goulbourn walked Back left the Mare & Buggy for Margaret she will bring Mother Hise back with her. waters is high and Roads muddy.

Jan 11 Cloudy and Raining at 5 O'clock AM wind blowing considerable turned colder and froze up everything out of Doors is covered with ice. helped George put in joice. Paid Two of our wood choppers 5 Dollars each. got a letter from Amos Gilbert.

Jan 12 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard. bought a Horse of Charles Davis am to give him 55 Dollars in brick for him. sun shone Pleasant. helped George lay floors got both kitchen floors laid.

Jan 13 Clear & Pleasant. walked out to Harris's saw mill to see Jonathan Bolen he owes me 5 Dollars but could not Pay any of it. helped George the Ballance of the Day. Mark went Down to Peoples for flour got 2 Barrels flour cost 14 Doll.

Jan 14 Cloudy & moderate winter weather ground froze hard with no snow for sledding Roads not very Rough. finished shingling our shop. Settled with Strawn & Iceman owed them $44 95/100 gave them my Due bill.

Jan 15 Cloudy & cold. made a wheelbarrow. Mark went to Sharpnacks and brot Sis

home Drove the new Horse goes well. clear at sundown.

Jan 16 Cloudy & moderate winter. spent the Day up town. was introduced to a Brother of John Brown (of Harpers Ferry notoriety). thawed some in afternoon. got Margarets Picture a very good one.

Jan 17 Cloudy with a little snow. at 11 O'clock AM it snowed as fast as I ever saw it covered the ground about 3 inches Deep. threshed oats this afternoon. Paid James Hays 5 Dollars for cutting wood.

Jan 18 Cloudy & cold snowed considerable but the ground is too Rough to have good sleighing. worked some at my wheelbarrows helped George Put in the windows. Paid Philip Herron James Long Richard Boone & Charles Boone 5 Dolls each for cutting wood.

Jan 19 Cloudy & cold. Cris Kineman Returned this morning at 2 O'clock. I spent the forenoon up town. Mark hauled wood. In afternoon I helped George we put up joice on second floor.

Jan 20 Clear & Pleasant thawed all Day. toward night the Roads are sloppy. worked some at my wheelbarros. in afternoon went Down to see the wood choppers. stoped awhile with Don Howel. Joshua Davis called in and we had quite a talk about Old times. he came to the country in 1804. the Car load of Babies from New York found Places (with few exceptions). a vast amount of People from the Country came in to see them. the Town Hall (where they were kept) was a perfect jam all Day.

Jan 21 Clear & warm. Abram Genewalt came and worked all Day at the chimney got it nearly completed. thawed all Day. George laid Floor.

Jan 22 Clear & most Delightful sunshine all Day. we had a Turkey Roast to Day about all the Relatives I have in this country were here. cannot enumerate them too much trouble.

Jan 23 Clear & cool ground froze some but will thaw out when the Sun Rises. beautiful all Day. Abram finished our chimney. Mark went for a load of Shingles and was gone all Day.

Jan 24 Cloudy & warm. helped George lay floor. Abram is building my shop chimney. mud is Drying up. Margaret took Mother Hise out to see Aunt Mary Howel she is Poorly. very warm for time of year.

Jan 25 Cloudy & Dull all Day. growed gradually colder all Day. Abram finished our chimneys so that all our Brick laying is now Done. George & I finished our floors all is going on about Right. gave Amos Horner my obligation for Ten Dollars & 12 cents Due one Day after Date must Pay it soon.

Jan 26 Cloudy commenced snowing about 9 O'clock AM and snowed all Day. Traded Horses to Day for the first time in my life. laid our Shop floor. sett out a very nice Sugar tree in the Door yard. sledding will be good again.

Jan 27 Cloudy & stormy snowed some through the Day. George is making Doors. Mark hauled wood. I spent most of the Day up town. Sold Jonathan Bolens Note calling for 45 Dollars to Joseph Thomas for 42 Dollars. Bolen gave me his obligation for four Dollars to cover the Shave. Deposited 30 Dollars with Joel McMillen to Pay for wood chopping. Bought the life of John Brown of Harpers Ferry Noteriety. Bought a book for Sis at the Gift Book Store but the gift was not worth much. (a Pair of gold sleve Buttons).

Jan 28 Cloudy windy & cold Roads too Rough for sledding. ground 2 axes. want to chop some wood. traded Sleds with Sharp & King they gave me 6 Dollars to Boot. snowed and blowed hard about noon.

Jan 29 Clear as a bell sun shone clear at 8 O'clock as I write. got the tooth ache some. walked out to John Gordons spent all the afternoon there. Settled with Yerkes Howell gave him my Due Bill for 13 25/100 Doll. thawed some to Day.

Jan 30 Clear sun shone Pleasant all Day. George Put in all the windows. finished shingling our Shop. I put up the forge and made a Big gate for the Barn yard.

Jan 31 Clear & cold wind blowed considerable all Day. January went out stormy. my tooth aches like the Devil cant write.

Feb 1 Cloudy & cold all Day. tooth is some better. last night was very cold froze hard. Roads Rough.

Feb 2 Cloudy & cold. spent the Day up town. Bought 55 1/4 lb of good Beef of John Kiser at 8 cts per lb. Margaret is visiting up at Jesses.

Feb 3 Cloudy & cold all Day. I Done but little work toDay. Mark is still hauling wood.

Feb 4 Clear & cold sun shone Pleasant all Day was quite warm. Bought Prenticiana. got a letter from D Woodruff a good one.

Feb 5 Cloudy & wet Rained considerable to Day. made 2 wheelbarrow frames. wrote 2 letters one to Tom Kineman & one to moses Townsend.

Feb 6 Cloudy but some warmer thawed consideable. Sold a cow for 22 Dollars. in aftrnoon went to Washingtonville and got 24 hundred weight of coal got Back late. freezing at Dark.

Feb 7 Clear & cloudy at intervals thawed very little to Day. Built a coal House in forenoon. in afternoon went up town Bought Sis a Book a present for her 17th Birthday.

weather moderated considerable.

Feb 8 Clear as can be. helped George frame & put the Porch at the South side of our house. George fell by the ladders slipping and sprained his ankle some. Roads muddy. very warm all Day. Margaret visited up town this afternoon.

Feb 9 Clear & cool. started this morning to Buy a Cow went on foot first to Warick Martins from there to Thomas Vernons from there to Samuel Sheltons but got no Cow could find none to suit me. came back to Town & spent the Ballance of the Day Doing nothing. thawed considerable in the middle of the Day. got a letter from Moses Townsend.

Feb 10 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard. Mark & Cris is cording up wood at the Brick yard. I was forced to Renew my Note (for three Hundred Dollars) in Bank. the Building Committee of the Presbyterian Church (to whom I furnish the Brick) failing to lift it as agreed upon when thrown into Bank. Bought a Saw for Moses Townsend cost 13 Dollars it is charged to me at Chessman & Wrights until I Return from the west when he will Send the money By me to Pay for it. shipped by freight to Wappakoneta Auglaise Co Ohio. Sis & Mother Hise is gone to Egypt.

Feb 11 Cloudy & cold. Started on foot in search of a Cow. commenced snowing so fast I soon gave up the Job. Returned to town & spent the Ballance of the Day. Bought Margaret 3 good Books (the works of Charlotte Bronte. Bought me a Pattern for Corduroy Pants at J Boones cost 3 Doll.

Feb 12 Clear & cold sun shines Beautifully. went over to Father Goulbourns. got Timothy Gee to cut a Pair of Pantaloons he came home and took supper with us.

Feb 13 Cloudy weather moderated thawed considerable to Day. Roads are good. Mark hauled wood for Ezra Wait. I spent most of the Day up Town. Jeff Waltons wife Died last Sunday morning.

Feb 14 Cloudy & cool ground froze up again. Mark is hauling wood for Wait. I worked some at my wheel barrow wheels. got a letter from George Hise containing a Seed for 80 Acres of his land. spent a Part of the Day up town. got a letter from Wm Kent of Cleveland.

Feb 15 Cloudy & stormy snow an inch Deep. going to Start to Mercer Co Ohio at 5 O'clock PM. Simeon Webb Buried to Day By the Odd Fellows.

Feb 16 Traveled all night at sunrise find myself in Wappakoneta. arrive at Moses Townsends at 3 O'clock PM. found all well.

Feb 17 this morning looked around the Country. got 2 Horses Shod. Called on Wm Rice and old acquaintence. commenced snowing.

Feb 18 this morning Moses & I commenced a Jumper to come home in got it Done and all Ready.

Feb 19 Started Home at 8 O'clock AM came as far as Lima Allen Co. Put my Horses at the Tavern and Myself at Wm Chaneys.

Feb 20 Started at 9 O'clock for Kenton the Capital of Hardin Co arrived all Right snow about gone.

Feb 21 left my Jumper and come on Horse Back to Millers Tavern 5 miles East of Marion (a hard Place).

Feb 22 left early came on to Mansfield. very windy to Day. saw George Forney & Doc Hardman.

Feb 23 left for Westin traded horses with Samuel Mowery 12 west of Westin gave him 10 Dollars to boot.

Feb 24 left Westin and arrived safe at Canton at 6 O'clock.

Feb 25 Cloudy & snowed. left Canton to Day Arrived Home at 5 PM.

Feb 26 Clear and fine out Doors. have so many letters to answer and other Business that has accumulated in my absencethat I scarce know what to Do. wrote 2 letters Rested the Ballance of the Day.

Feb 27 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. threshed our Barley this forenoon. Sold Joseph Ball our Dunn Horse conditionally he took him home to Try him. he is to have him for 65 Dollars. spent the afternoon up town. sent Marion Hoover 10 Dollars.

Feb 28 Cloudy & wet. Transplanted another Sugar tree. Blacksmithed some for the first in my new shop. Mark & Cris stuck up walnut Plank. Roads are very muddy. worked our new Horse (John Mowery) he performing first rate.

Mar 1 Cloudy warm & wet. threshed oats until about noon. Drizzled Rain most of the time. in afternoon went up Town.

Mar 2 Clear & Delightful all Day. measured the wood chopped By Fox Mark & Bayer 68 cords. Paid them 2 Dollars owe them 8 yet. Mark & Cris pulled up stumps had Jacob Sells Oxen. took a Sawlog Down with him.

Mar 3 Cloudy & wet Drizzled Rain a Part of the Day. we threshed out the last of our oats. in afternoon made fence. Roads are very muddy quite a hard Rain at Dark.

Mar 4 Clear & warm fine weather. Margaret & visited at John Gordons. Marius Robinson & family were there John Whinney & wife etc etc. had a very Pleasant time. Drove our new Horse (John Mowery) got Back at Dusk.

Mar 5 Clear & fine. Cris & Mark made fence. hauled off Stumps & got a part of our corn ground ready for the Plow. I repaired up our single trees and some other small jobs.

Mar 6 Cloudy but still warm. Cris Ditched Mark Plowed I Done but little. Rained some in evening. Margaret & I went to a Party at J E Jones But I enjoyed it but Poorly am out of my element at such places. got home at midnight.

Mar 7 Cloudy with some Rain last night. Sent a letter to Joseph Lukens. Cris & I worked at Mrs Watterworths Putting in a water Ram. wind blowed hard most of the Day. cleared off and sun shone Pleasant. am too tired to sleep.

Mar 8 Cloudy & a little colder. Cris & I finished the Ram Doings Does well. got my Pay for it $6 00/100. Warner Chessman & Alvina Sharp to be married to night. Mary Norris & a Mr Negus is married at Pittsburgh to Day.

Mar 9 Cloudy & windy snowed and stormed hard Part of the Day Real March weather. spent the Day up Town. Paid George Flick 5 Dollars James Hay 3 Dollars all I owed him for chopping wood.

Mar 10 Cloudy & cold one inch of snow fell last night. spent the Day up town snowed considerable to Day very windy & quite cold. Paid George Flick 5 Doll.

Mar 11 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up was cold all the forenoon. Margaret & I visited at John Whinneys several of our friends were there. the snow about all Disappeared.

Mar 12 Cloudy snowed & Blowed all Day ground froze some. I shod 2 of my Horses and Done some work toward repairing my waggon. Renewed my not in Bank for 3 Hundred Dollars payable in 50 Days am tired of Paying Discount but the Building Committee cannot Pay me.

Mar 13 Clear but cool. Blacksmithed some. was up Town in forepart of the Day. thawed some to Day. Alfred White was out to look at our lower house talks of Buying it with 10 Acres of land.

Mar 14 Clear & warm to Day ground froze hard this morning. Jo Venable helped us cut Brick wood Down at Thomas Wilsons got a good lot of it.

Mar 15 Clear & warm all Day. sett out some sugar trees in the Door yard. Cris split wood Mark Plowed etc etc.

Mar 16 Clear & warm very Pleasant all Day. Mark is Plowing Cris is making fence. got a letter to Day from Moses Townsend containing 20 Dollars to be laid out for himself.

Mar 17 Clear & warm. went to Columbiana to help survey the land Bought of Jesse Allen.

Mar 18 Clear & Pleasant. was Down to see Lizzie Sensenbaugh she is not coming to work for us this summer. was all night at Jacob Esterlys. after Diner started started for home arrived safe at 3 O'clock. took Margaret Down to see Mother Goulbourn she is poorly. cooler at sun Down.

Mar 19 Cloudy & wet all Day. sawed out our Palings at Tom Sharps. Mark hauled lath & Tan Bark. cleared off about Sunsett is freezing a little at 9 O'clock PM.

Mar 20 Cloudy & very windy. walked to Lisbon to attend Court. Bought a Note of Hill Tolerton on David Woodruff with Benjamin Hawleys name forged on it as Bail. it calls for 3 hundred Dollars. I gave him my gold Watch that cost me 125 Dollars. he withdrawed the Suit (he was trying to collect it off of Hawley) got home late. snowed as fast as it could had hard work to stem the Breeze.

Mar 21 Cloudy cold. Sold the Dun Horse to Joseph Ball for 65 Dollars. Bought a Bill of goods of Streets amounting to 48 42/100 Doll. got a letter from D Woodruff containing a Draft for 90 Dollars. cold and wind blows.

Mar 22 Cloudy & cloudy at intervals. spent most of the Day up town. wrote a letter to D Woodruff enclosing the 400 Dollar note I Bought of Hill Tolerton. Joel McMillen sent the Draft to New York to get it cashed.

Mar 23 Cloudy & partially clear at times some windy. worked in shop to Day. Mark & Aaron is hauling Brick. looks like Rain at sunsett.

Mar 24 Cloudy & cold snowed fast a Part of the Day. worked some in shop. Bought 2 lb Butter first for some time. Settled with Jo Ball owed 25 Dollars gave him my Due Bill for it. Still cold winter weather at Bed time.

Mar 25 Cloudy & cold one inch of Snow on the ground. want to go to Aunt Ann Townsens to Day will have a cold Ride.

Mar 26 Cloudy & snowed. came Back yesterday as far as J F Dickinson to Stay all night. Barcley Coppock Thadeus Maxen & Oliver Brown called and took Diner with us we had a good time. after Diner they took one Road and we another. the went north we south got home all safe.

Mar 27 Clear & cool. Margaret & I Started early and went Down to Jacob Esterlys near Columbiana to his Sale. a great many persons attended it all of them took Diner. I regard

it as a perfect imposition.

Mar 28 Clear & cold. got home about 11 O'clock found all well. the Plasterers are lathing our house. Mark is plowing Oats ground. Roads are Dry.

Mar 29 Clear & Pleasant all Day. helped the Carpenters to Day. Mark has our Oats ground Plowed Cris is making fence. I spaded an Onion Bed.

Mar 30 Clear & windy. sett out our Onions sowed our Oats. weather Delightful. Sold a Cow to Zadok Street for $23.00.

Mar 31 Clear & Dry. Mark & Cris is grading the lane east of the barn. I attended John Kirks Sale Bought but little. Paid Mrs Tucker 5 Dollars.

Apr 1 Cloudy with some Rain. toward noon it commenced to Snow and continued until about 2 O'clock wind blowed hard from the northwest and is cold at sunsett. worked some in the shop. wrote a letter to David Kineman of Erie City Pa in whichI send 5 Dollars to John Kineman.

Apr 2 Cold with some snow. Mark has gone to move his Brother. Pat Cris & I tore out the Ballance of our old Chimney and in the afternoon the Stone Masons came and finished our Cellar.

Apr 3 Cloudy but weather is moderated snow all gone. spent the Day up town. Brainard Paid me one hundred Dollars Deposited it in Bank.

Apr 4 Cloudy and warm. sowed our Clover seed Mark hauled lath. in afternoon we went and brot 16 apple trees sett them out. Rained considerable in forenoon.

Apr 5 Cloudy & cool but froze none. Mark & I went to Franklin Square got 6 Bushels of Hair & from there we went to Wm McCraken and Bot 16 bushels of Lime got home about noon. in afternoon we made fence. snowed & blowed considerable but the snow melted as it fell.

Apr 6 Clear & cloudy at intervals. weather moderated some. Run off the morter from the Kitchen. Marked hauled lumber Cris & Aaron picked stone off the meadows.

Apr 7 Clear & cloudy as yesterday. Mark & Cris is grading the lane. I spent most of the Day up town. Rained about Sunsett and is blowing hard at 8 O'clock P.M. Bought 50 lb Coffee cost 15 cts per lb.

Apr 8 Clousy & warm no Rain to Day. helped George Fleck. Put up our fence stuff made a Kelidascope. Done several little shores.

Apr 9 Cloudy & wet Rained all night last night. Mark & Aaron hauled Brick. Cris & I

turned the water along the lane above the Barn. in afternoon made morter and attended the Plasterers. Rained off and on all Day. Sis & Edward started to School. Bought 3 bushels of Dried Apples of Wm Boyle cost 6 55/100 Doll. Drew 40 Dollars of Joel McMillen with Part of which I intend to Buy a Cow.

Apr 10 Cloudy & wet Rained all night water high this morning. I am now Ready to go after a Cow will take the Cars to Columbiana at 7 O'clock this morning.

Apr 11 Cloudy cold & wet Rained most of the forenoon. I worked out in it Building fence around the lot Bought of Jesse Allen. David Stricklens Son hauled the Rails for me. after Doing up a few shores and taking Diner with Sam Brubaker I went home with Henry Kridlers Team. stayed all night with him & in the morning Bought a Cow of him for which I Paid him 29 Dollars. after Breakfast I led her Home where I arrived very tired being jerked and Pulled about most outrageously am very sore in consequence and after taking a nap am jotting it Down as best I can. Clear & Pleasant except that the wind blows considerabl

Apr 13 Clear & very Pleasant. am still tired. Mark & Cris is Ditching in the lane. I repaired our great gate and hung it. turned some of our stock out in the woods. spent some of the Day up town.

Apr 14 Cloudy cold windy and snowing from the north like any January Day. cold and very Disagreeable all Day. Lizzie went on the Cars to Columbiana. made the hinges for Barn Doors. Haldeman & O'Bryan Paid me for 14000 Brick.

Apr 15 Clear & cold ground froze hard this morning. traded Cows with Wm Dunn traded him Jenny Lind a cow that I Raised gave him 5 Dollars to boot. sett out 3 quince Bushes & 4 silver Poplars.

Apr 16 Cloudy & wet Rained considerable last night. Mark & Cris hauled wood off of Tom Wilsons field. I spent considerable of the Day up Town. Lizzie got home at noon and brot the good news that Lydia Hively was going to work for us this summer.

Apr 17 Cloudy & wet heavy thunder & Rain last night with some Hail. Mark & Cris is hauling Brick. I made & Repaired wheelbarrows. Abram Stouffer Paid me the money Due me from Sub District no 10 (18 15/100 Doll they have owed it to me 2 years.

Apr 18 Clear & cool. went to Lisbon & bought 376 pounds of Bacon cost 33 60/100 Doll. Bought a Barrel of flour of James Peoples cost 7 Dollars. Bought 1 Barrel of molasses cost 51 cents per gallon. Fred Smith commenced work to Day. 4 hands on the Brick yard.

Apr 19 Cloudy and very cold for time of year. Mark is Plowing for oats I attended the Plasterers. writ a scathing letter to Ben Hilman.

Apr 20 Cloudy but warm Rained a very little to Day. I attended the Plasterers. Mark Plowed & hauled Brick. sold David Strickler of Columbiana a lot of land containing 58 hundredths of an acre for 45 Dollars in gold made him a Deed at once.

Apr 21 Cloudy and looks so much like Rain that Mark is not Plowing is hauling brick. I attended the Plasterers got the kitchens both Done. Paid Adgate Moore 6 50/100 Doll for cutting wood. Wm Hively is here in Poor health is going to stay all night. Rained hard at 6 O'clock PM.

Apr 22 Cloudy cold & wet foggy. got up early wrote David Woodruff a letter. Rain beat in at a window and wet our Plastering so that a portion of it fell off.

Apr 23 Cloudy & cold all Day. George & I commenced tearing out the 1/2 story out of the House the Last there is to tear out. Mark hauled Brick Cotton got 1500 Paid me for them.

Apr 24 Cloudy & cold all Day with wind inNorth. made mortar attended the Plasterers. Lydia E Hively is with us to night. Mark hauled a load of Lime & some Brick.

Apr 25 Cloudy cold and snowing some too cold to snow much wind in the north. Lydia went over to her Uncle Dons to help cook. he is going to Raise his Barn this afternoon. at 12 M is snowing fast. Paid E Gaver 4 29/100 Doll all I owe him. helped Raise the Barn was very cold all Day.

Apr 26 Cloudy & cold. Plowed & sowed Oats must have it in somehow. I helped George all Day. cold and Disagreeable all Day moderated a little toward night. (Doctor Smiley Deceased).

Apr 27 Clear at Sunrise ground froze and vegetation white with frost Discouraging to Fruit growers. Done some work on Brick yard. Mark hauled Sand. got a letter from D Woodruff.

Apr 28 Clear & warm all Day. made mortar & attended the Plasterers got 3 rooms Roughed on up stairs.

Apr 29 Clear & warm all Day. Kate has a colt this morning. helped George Fleck work at the Stairs until noon then went Down to Columbiana after Lydia E Hively brot her trunk up but she could not come until tomorrow. I got back sun an hour high. Find Margaret absent she is up Town.

Apr 30 Clear & warm all Day. the Plasterers finished Roughing on the new chamber. Lydia Hively came on the 4 O'clock train. Abram Moris Wm Alberton and David Elliot came on to work want to commence on the Brick yard tomorrow.

May 1 Cloudy and Raining at Daylight wet all the forenoon. Righted up things about the

house.

May 2 Clear & warm. all hands on the Brick yard. Paid Wm Yates 117.45 cents Bail money for David Woodruff.

May 3 Clear & warm. all hands on the yard. I Done a mighty sight of shores am tired in consequence. wrot a letter to David Woodruff enclosed a photograph of our school House. Benj Bown took Diner with us he is on his way to New York from Cincinnatti.

May 4 Clear & warm all Day. Mark hauled sand I helped on the Brick yard. Bought 50 bushels of oats of Philip Evans (40) cents Per bushel.

May 5 Clear & cloudy at intervals. Bought 200 lb of good Sugar of Amos Horner Paid him 9 3/4 per lb in gold. Rained at 5 O'clock.

May 6 Clear & very warm. vegetables is coming on very fast. Mark & I spaded up some garden. Margaret is getting Ready to go to Ashland to see Elizabeth Sheets wants to start tomorrow morning.

May 7 Cloudy or Partially so. got up at 3 O'clock and took Margaret to the Cars. came near being left but by Running yard. gave my likeness to John Kincade he is going to give it to D Woodruff.

May 8 Cloudy and threatening Rain. got up at 3 O'clock AM & took Kate to Columbiana to the Old Richmond am to Pay 3 Dollars for a colt got back at 10 O'clock. am not very bright having lost too much sleep.

May 9 Cloudy and looks like Rain. made mortar. Rained a small shower about 11 O'clock am. got some brick up and covered. Planted our Lima beans.

May 10 Cloudy & wet. 2 sett of hands making Brick. Rained at noon. sett out Tomatoes hauled some Brick etc etc. got a letter from margaret she arrived Safe at Ashland at 3 O'clock on monday she had quite a Pleasant trip. Sold 5 1/2 lb of Butter something new for us we generally had some to Buy.

May 11 Cloudy & wet. fixing up about home to Day. too wet to work on the yard. sent Margaret a letter. Fenced in the Brick yard etc etc. got a letter from margaret.

May 12 Cloudy & wet not much Rain. Cleaned out our garden well & Banked it up & sodded it complete. ____ a gate at the East end of lane. Planted our corn ground in fine order. worked hard to Day.

May 13 Cloudy & wet. mended Edwards Bell. mended my log chains. sett out some Tomatoe Plants walked slept etc etc. Rained a good shower in afternoon.

May 14 Cloudy & foggy at Daylight but cleared off toward noon. finished our well cleared off a Potatoe Patch Dug Ditch. some of us attended the Plasterers all had something to Do. Margaret Returned on the 5 O'clock Express Train she had a Pleasant visit.

May 15 Clear and warm all hands on the Brick yard to Day. Mark Plowed Potatoe Patch. I & Aron attended the Plasterers everything is now moving about Right. George made Margaret a Dough tray & I a wattering trough.

May 16 Clear & warm. got up early made a Pair of good shoes & shod Kate before breakfast. attended Plasterers Mark Hauled Brick. I spaded some in the Garden. after 6 O'clock am tired. Margaret is up town this afternoon. fine weather as can be. John Marhsalls wife Died.

May 17 Clear & very Pleasant spring weather. attended the Plasterers until noon. in afternoon went with Mark out to Trotters Mill and got a load of Board. Rained after 3 O'clock got all the Brick up.

May 18 Cloudy but Pleasant. Abram Grenewalt is Building our Oven. some are setting Brick taking in & hauling etc etc. Paid off a 34 Dollar note that I gave Geo Gibbs. Rained consideable this afternoon is warm & Pleasant.

May 19 Cloudy & wet fine time to sett out Plants. Abram worked at our oven I attended him. went up town after Supper had an introduction to a Mr Kinney of Cleveland who has made a bid on our new School House with a view of getting the job of Building it. Emly McGregor of Columbiana is with us going to stay all night. Lizzie has gone over to her Uncle Williams going to stay until tomorrow.

May 20 Clear & cool. Ironed a wheel barrow. Sun Shone Pleasant to Day.

May 21 Cloudy & wet. Dug clay most of the Day. Rained very hard at 5 O'clock PM waters will be high. hailed considerable too.

May 22 Cloudy & wet. Abram finished our Oven to Day. Mark hauled Sand I made a hopper wheel barrow. spent the evening up town.

May 23 Clear & beautiful everything is fresh this morning. all hands on the Brick yard. Bought myself & Aaron some Pantaloons & some towels Salt etc etc.

May 24 Clear & cloudy at intervals fine growing weather. all hands making Brick.

May 25 Clear & cloudy at intervals. Planted Potatos worked on the Brick yard. looks some like Rain at Dark.

May 26 Cloudy but not much prospect of Rain. got up about all our Brick made 46000

since wendsday. Lydia went to Columbiana this afternoon Eddy went with her. Paid George Fleck 5 Dollars.

May 27 Cloudy with a little Rain about 10 O'clock. George papered our Kitchen to Day. I Done nothing except to spade a little garden. walked with John C Whinney over his Farm it is a nice one. Lydia got Back in good time Horse went well.

May 28 Clear at Sunrise But very Dense fog at Daylight. as I write the Sun is Shining. Pleasant and the Female Portion of our family (consisting of but 17) is all asleep yet (I will wake them lest we have a late breakfast). Elijah Bennett Died this afternoon he has been ailing for several years. Died of Dropsey.

May 29 Cloudy But Partially clear at times fine weather for making Brick. worked on the yard until noon. Bought a barrel of Flour cost 7 25/100 Doll. attended the Funeral of Elijah Bennett a sermon was Preached at the Baptist Church But I did not stay to hear it. I knew his Character quite as well as Miller (the Priest) could tell me.

May 30 Cloudy but very Pleasant. traded cows with Wonsellar. throwed two notes in Bank one for three and the other for two hundred Dollars. settled with and Paid off Joseph Thomas he had held notes against me for some time. I Done but little on the yard to Day But the hands Put out their 12000. looks some like Rain at Dark.

May 31 Cloudy with a very little Rain last night. Mark is working the Corn. all hands setting Brick to Day. had considerable conversation with Layman the School House contractor went to sell him the Brick but am some in Doubt about it. Rained a little to Day.

Jun 1 Cloudy & cool. I helped at home. the Brickyard hands sett Brick. cleared off in afternoon and is warmer at sundown. built a fire in our new oven to Dry it.

Jun 2 Clear and very Pleasant. all hands making brick to Day. spent good Part of the Day up town trying to sell Brick to School House Contractor but Did not Sucseed. Borrowed one Hundred Dollars of Thomas & Greiner for thirty Days. Paid Joel McMillen 40 Dollars I owed him (Borrowed). Bought 1 keg of nails. Paid Mrs Tucker 5 Dollars.

Jun 3 Cloudy and rained a little through the Day. hobbled our Cow mended our Plough handle. Sis & Wait & Mother Hise were here to Day they are both quite well.

Jun 4 Cloudy and looks some like Rain. Mark Planted the Rest of our Potatoes to Day. the hands took in Brick in forenoon. in afternoon undertook to mould but soon there came up a storm hailed and blowed considerable spoiled some of our Brick.

Jun 5 Cloudy and wet. Bought 108 cents worth of Beef of Joseph Castleberry. have written out a Bid to Furnish Brick for School House Do not know that I shall hand it in it is too low ($4.60 per Thousand). have to go to New Lisbon to Day. Pidgeon has the

contract for Brick for School House. I went to Lisbon got Back in good time trial Did not come off.

Jun 6 Cloudy but no Rain until after noon when it Rained hard. walked to Lisbon but Rode Back with warrick Beeson got home just in time to escape the Rain which fell in torrents about sunsett. no trial to Day will have to go back tomorrow.

Jun 7 Cloudy and wet. Boys Dug clay until noon. in afternoon moulded Brick. I went to Lisbon But the Triall Did not come on got Back in good time.

Jun 8 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up is blowing a cold wind from northwest. Chessman & I measured the Plank walk it has 5100 feet in it my share of the cost is $13.12 cts cheap enough. Mark is working on the Roads. Paid Fred Smith 5 Charley Detrick 10 Don Hewitt 2 and valentine Kerfer 2 50/100 Dollars.

Jun 9 Cloudy and Dull. I work in shop to Day. Margaret & Sis has gone to J F Dickinsons. Margaret is going to Stay all night they Drove John Mowery. Mark is hauling Sand to the Brickyard. Cleared off and is cold at sunsett covered up our garden truck fear of Frost.

Jun 10 Clear & cold but no frost to hurt. got up early and took a walk out Lisbon Street after breakfast went to Tom Sharps and settled with him all accounts up to this Date owed him 116 63/100 Doll. gave him my note 90 Days after Date. got through about 3 O'clock at 4 started to J F Dickinsons after Margaret got back about Dark is still cool.

Jun 11 Clear & cool but no frost fine Day for making brick all hands at it. I Ran off lime for Plasting. John Hunt came out to trade me a mule for a horse but we could not trade.

Jun 12 Clear & Pleasant all Day. George & I tore Down the Boiler Shed from the Sawmill hauled it up to make a shed at the Barn. Paid Philip Evans 25 Dollars money that Borrowed of him to Pay an Execution against Brother Jesse. 2 of the Miss Sacketts of Canfield took Diner with us to Day. they are old Friends of Wm & Rachel Hise. Mark worked on the Roads to Day.

Jun 13 Clear and very warm. helped George all Day. Rained about 3 O'clock PM fine growing weather. Margaret visited at Jesse Hises.

Jun 14 Clear & warm all Day. George & I made new steps for cellar. Put garden in. made cellar Doors etc etc. Borrowed 32 bushel of oats of Philip Evans. was up town Saw Mr Nagle walk a tight Rope stretched from the Top of Farquhar House to Lyceum Hall. all Salem was Present he Done it well.

Jun 15 Clear and warm. Abram Grenawalt is building our flue in Parlor I am attending him. rained and hailed considerable about 4 O'clock. I am very tired to night and shall soon go to bed.

Jun 16 Clear & cool Pleasant weather. Abram finished our Flue. I Done nothing this afternoon. Paid Dave Elliot 5 Dollars all I owed him. Paid George Fleck 5 Dollars etc etc.

Jun 17 Clear & pleasant all Day. worked some in forenoon. in afternoon Margaret & I went Down to Joels and helped them Eat Strawberries was a Pleasant task. Marius Robinson & Family were there.

Jun 18 Clear & cool. helped George and in afternoon split some Stone for fence hoed garden etc etc. Mark hauled wood 2 cords to Sharp & King 1/2 Do to Wm Betz.

Jun 19 Clear & warm. helped Mark haul brick in forenoon. in afternoon made hay fork. Father & Mother Goulbourn Aunt Kitty & Cousin Harriet visited us this afternoon. I went to Joshuia Davis's and bought poles for Brick shed. sett our first Kiln on fire this evening.

Jun 20 Clear & warm. Rived out stuff for hay ladders Ironed hay fork etc. went out to Wesley Cooks and got 3 bush Potatoes cost 40 cents per bushel.

Jun 21 Clear & cloudy at intervals Dry weather. Mark & I took a small ash log to Harris's Sawmill got it sawed into 1 1/2 Plank, got our fence posts sawed and brot them with us. Mark hauled Sand in afternoon. spent some time with Jesse Webb & Charles Davis hunting Poles for a Liberty Pole the Republicans Purpose Raising on July 4th.

Jun 22 Cloudy at sunrise. am helping burn brick at nights. Mark & I hauled in a sett of shed Poles from Joshua Davis's. Rained some about 10 O'clock but soon it cleared off ground is now quite Dry.

Jun 23 Clear & warm all Day. helped George Fleck get our Barn ready for harvest. Mark hauled sand. our brick kiln is Doing well.

Jun 24 Clear & warm all Day. ironed my horse fork Ready to unload hay. took a short walk with Margaret slept a good deal am helping burn brick. Lizzie took John Mowery & the Buggy & took a Ride out as far as Trembles got Back at sunsett.

Jun 25 Clear and pleasant not so warm as yesterday. commenced cutting our clover grass this morning it is all Down. mowed until 5 PM then cleared out the Barn got things ready.

Jun 26 Clear & very warm. Theodore Brady is helping us cut our grass got in four loads of very nice clover hay. unloaded it with a Horse and a great saving of time and hard work it is. (shut up the Brick Kiln).

Jun 27 Cloudy and looks some like Rain. I got up at 3 O'clock and wheeled in Brick worked on the yard all Day. Rained about 10 O'clock but not enough to wet the ground

any hardly. commenced our new Brick Kiln want to sett a large one 25 arches if Possible. the Plasterers got a coat of mortar on the Ballance of our House.

Jun 28 Clear & beautiful at sunrise with the exception of a little fog. I slep late this morning and feel the Better of it having lost considerable sleep lately. hope to get in considerable of hay to Day. clouded up some toward evening but we got in four loads of hay. mowed some after Supper.

Jun 29 Cloudy & windy but Dry cool and Pleasant. got in all our that was cut yesterday Dried as well as usual. Margaret & I went out to John Gordons in the evening he loaned me one Hundred Dollars gave him my Due Bill for the Same.

Jul 1 Cloudy & wet fine Rain in the night. I was apprehensive last evening such would be the case got the Boys to go in the yard and we hacked up and covered all the Brick that was Dry enough so that when I waked up in the night and heard it Raining I could still rest undisturbed. our garden is hard to beat this morning unless I say things are growing too Rank to bear well. Margaret is Down to Una Sharpnacks took Honest John and the Carriage. I stopped at home Doing up little shores. in afternoon I walked over to see the School House and how it is progressing Dont like the Foundation. margaret Returned before Sundown she & I gathered a few Rasberrys.

Jul 2 Cloudy & Dull. Mark & Aaron mowed all Day. I went for lime but got none it was too hot to Draw. got some more Spokes of Joel Silver hewed out some of them must fill my wagon soon. mended a Cradle for Chessman. Bought a load of Dry Poplar boards (528 ft) for 125 cents per hundred. Wm Betz Paid me 9 Dollars. Margaret & I called at Chessmans and spent an hour so chatting very agreeably indeed. Balus Fawcett Put a lightning Rod to the Barn for which I am to Pay him twelve Dollars on the first of October next. it is of Copper and looks Durable.

Jul 3 Foggy at Sunrise and is still so as I write but think it will clear off and be a good hay Day. dressed out some Spokes. Rained most of the Day. the Boys are setting Brick.

Jul 4 Cloudy & wet Rained considerable last night. nothing Doing on the yard to Day. some has gone to Alliance some stays in Salem. spent the Day up Town witnessing the Raising of the Lincoln Pole am more tired than I should have been at work. no Rain to Day fine Breeze. in afternoon Margaret was up to Mother Hise's.

Jul 5 Clear & Cloudy at intervals Pleasant all Day. I worked on the yard all Day. opened our Kiln got a splendid burn. Mark & George got in most of our Hay.

Jul 6 Clear & cool very Pleasant weather. cut some of our wheat to Day. I worked on the yard. Sis has gone Down to Sharpnacks to Pick Rasberrys. Saw Doc Kanes Boots.

Jul 7 Clear & cool all Day fine Drying weather. I worked at the yard all Day. Mark & George are cutting our wheat. Saw an Esqumoux Dog up town one that Doc Kane brot

from the Polar Regeons. his Boots & clothes are here on exhibition and a fine Panorama of his arctic Travels.

Jul 8 Clear & cloudy at intervals Rained a little in forenoon. Margaret Lydia Fred & I went Rasberrying had good luck got home at 3 O'clock PM. Lizzie went to Egypt after Sis got back before sunsett. I sifted some Sand and Done a few chores. cool quite so.

Jul 9 Clear & Pleasant all Day. Mark worked our corn I worked at the yard. Fred Smith is sick no moulding Done to Day all hands tired. Margaret is busy canning up Rasberrys & making Currant Jelly. cool & Pleasant.

Jul 10 Clear and warm. got up at 3 O'clock took the Carriage with Lizzie and Aaron went and Picked 3 Pecks of nice Rasberrys got home at noon. in afternoon hauled in the Ballance of our Clover Hay. Sold George Fleck 2 tons. in the evening Margaret Lydia Lizzie & I went up to Town Hall to see a Panorama of the travels of Doc Kane it was very nice.

Jul 11 Clear & Pleasant. helped haul Brick to Day got along well made good Brick. Margaret has 21 large jars of Rasberrys Put up air tight.

Jul 12 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. Mark & Aaron Hauled Brick. I worked hard all Day at my waggon spokes got all Done but 6. spent the evening at J E & B S Jones where I met Margaret who had spent the afternoon up Town.

Jul 13 Clear & warm. took a Plank up town swapped it to Daniel Iceman for one that was better seasoned and cut out my felloes for the wagon. Margaret & Sis visited at Father Goulbourns. I gathered up my wheel Horse etc etc Ready to Drive my spokes on the morrow. Jacob Bauman Died at 8 O'clock this evening.

Jul 14 Clear & very warm all Day. got the spokes all Drove and one wheel Rimmed. Lydia & Sis went to Columbiana took Honest John & Buggy I shod him before. spent the evening up town. nothing going on ground is getting very Dry.

Jul 15 Clear & Pleasant. Rimmed one of my wagon wheels and Picked 2 baskets of cherries. Lydia & Sis got back Safe about 5 O'clock. Margaret took a walk up to Phebe's.

Jul 16 Clear & hot Day. Mark worked our corn I hauled some Brick. Rimmed a wheel. George & Aaron mowed our Timothy grass which is very fine. shower at 6 O'clock.

Jul 17 Clear & warm. I hauled some Brick in forenoon. in afternoon mixed Paint and Painted my wheels they are extra good ones. Tom Sharp Came out took supper with us after which we had an interesting time. Read the Correspondence between myself and an absent Friend from whom he was very glad to hear and in whose misfortunes he Deeply Sympathises. Margaret is up to see Mother Hise this afternoon.

Jul 18 Cloudy and looks some like Rain to Day. Margaret & Mother Hise is at Canfield visiting at Simeon Sackets. I Repaired wagon & assisted to unload Hay got in 6 loads as good as can be left one load out. hauled our wheat in yesterday which I omitted to mention in the Proper Place.

Jul 19 Cloudy with some Rain last night. Put up a new shed at Brick yard. Mark hauled Sand. Borrowed 20 bushels of Oats of Phillip Evans.

Jul 20 Clear and very warm until 4 O'clock when it clouded up. helped Jess Hise iron my wagon wheels. George & Mark mowed and made Hay. Paid George Street one Dollar I borrowed of him on 4th of July.

Jul 21 Cloudy & wet Rained considerable last night. spent the Day up town. Bought 168 lb of Hams cost 11 1/2 per pound. brot my wagon wheels home. Mark & Aaron took Casing off of the Kiln.

Jul 22 Cloudy. got up early and finished my wagon & shod Mike & Jenny got Done by 2 O'clock. Mary Hise & Sister Phebe spent the afternoon us. Drizzled Rain several times through the Day.

Jul 23 Clear & Cloudy at intervals. finished mowing our grass to Day. stripped the old Sawmill hauled some Brick etc etc cool. sent a letter to D Woodruff.

Jul 24 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. got up 7 tons of good Hay. now having nothing more to Say I'll lay my Pen away etc etc quit.

Jul 25 Clear & warm very Pleasant all Day. finished our Rick of Hay 13 loads of first Rate hay in it I fenced it in complete. went to Phillip Evans and bought 15 lb of lard.

Jul 26 Cloudy & Pleasant. Mark & Aaron are hauling Brick to Day I am fixing up a Spring at Joels we shall have to haul water. Rained a little at 4 O'clock PM.

Jul 27 Clear & fine. Deaf Bob & I tied up our oats. Mark & Aaron hauled brick.

Jul 28 Clear & Pleasant all Day. got one field of our oats in. got one hundred Dollars of Thomas & Greiner Paid it out to the hands. John Kincade Paid me 5 Dollars on acct.

Jul 29 Cloudy & wet some Rain in the night. layed one of of my axletrees on my 2 Horse wagon about all the work I Done to Day. Spent a Portion of the Day up Town. Rained considerable through the Day.

Jul 30 Cloudy at sunrise but cleared off about noon and is very warm. Repaired Jacob Heatons gravel Roof he gave me 250 cents for it. Mark & Aaron hauled Brick.

Jul 31 Clear & Cloudy at intervals but no Rain cool. Margaret & Lizzie is working at Father Goulbourns Sis and Eddy is up Town. I am at work on the yard am jotting these lines after eating Diner. Sent a Saw to Moses Townsend of Mercer County Ohio.

Aug 1 Clear & warm all Day. worked at wood ladder. Mark & Aaron hauled Brick. at night we all up to Town to see Alph Burnett the comic man had a good laugh.

Aug 2 Clear & warm. sett Brick all hands must Burn another Kiln. Mark went for Shingles brot 5000 from the Woolmans. Sharp & Davis and Bonsall Paid for them.

Aug 3 Cloudy & wet Rained moderately all the fore part of the Day. I ironed my wood ladders made a good job of them. spent some time up town this afternoon. very warm and sultry at Dark. Bought 12 lb of Pepper at 15 cents per lb at Harris's also a Peice of good Carpet cost one Dollar per yard.

Aug 4 Clear & warm. attended Waltons Auction all Day bought 20.43 cents worth gave my note for 2023 cents two months after Date. Mark hauled Brick. the warmest weather we have had this sumer.

Aug 5 Clear & warm. spent a good Part of the Day walking about. was over to see the School House how it was Progressing etc. went to see John Streets new house we are furnishing the Brick for that. Sam Rouk & George Henshilwood spent a Couple of hours with us. Jo Venable cut our Oats.

Aug 6 Clear & most all sufficiently warm all Day. attended the Auction most of the Day. Bought several things that we needed and bought them very cheap.

Aug 7 Clear & warm as usual. Aaron Deaf Bob & I put up our Oats and a very hard Days work it was. threatened Rain all the afternoon but it all Passed Round North or South. got the Brick yard hands to shock our oats up after Supper.

Aug 8 Clear had a little Rain last night but not half enough. hauled in 3 loads of oats. I worked at the wood ladders. very warm all Day all signs of Rain has vanished.

Aug 9 Clear & hot. Margaret & Lydia has gone to Father Goulbourns to wash. finished hauling in our oats at noon. very warm with no appearance of Rain.

Aug 10 Clear & warm in forepart of Day in afternoon clouded up but no Rain. I tore Down Joseph Balls Engine Elias Ed King hauled it to the Station. Lizzie Ball assisted me to tear it Down was a hard & Dirty Job got Done about 7 O'clock PM.

Aug 11 Clear & cool. Marked Joseph Balls Engine and got it Ready to Ship. got the Kiln Ready to fire.

Aug 12 Clear & warm. Mark & I went out to George Carsons to look at some Brick

wood got back at noon. Do not feel well got a gatering in one of my Ears and is very sore. clouded up in afternoon and at Dark threatens Rain.

Aug 13 Cloudy & wet with lots of Rain last night. the Boys are Digging Clay. I Done shores of one sort and another that are not worth recording. Fired our Brick Kiln.

Aug 14 Clear & cool. Margaret & Lizzie is washing at Father Goulbourns. writ a letter to Joseph Ball.

Aug 15 Clear & cool. superintended the Repairing of the Big Tent belonging to the Western Anti Slavery Society. the Deciples are going to use it on next Sunday to hold yearly meeting under. Dug some Clay in afternoon.

Aug 16 Clear & warm. Dug Clay and Done shores. Kiln is Doing well. Mark is hauling wood.

Aug 17 Clear & warm. one sett of hands commenced moulding to Day got new molds. I helped Dig some Clay. the Campbellites have the tent up this morning.

Aug 18 Clear & warm. Kiln is getting very hot. Dug a little Clay. Ironed a well bucket for Deaf Bob. Paid Abram Hafley 7 24/100 Doll all I owe him. Campbellites have a large meeting town full of People.

Aug 19 Clear & warm. Alton Popes house took fire at 10 O'clock and Burned Down in a few minutes. our Kiln is Doing well. very warm. Margaret & Lydia went to Campbellite meeting a very large congregation are here some were Baptised to Day. we have one of the Brethren with us to night.

Aug 20 Clear & warm. had some Discussion with our Campbellite Brother got Farther apart until Eleven O'clock when we were both tired an accordingly Retired. had to get up at 1 O'clock which gave me but 2 hours Rest am tired as I write it Down.

Aug 21 Cloudy & wet quite a fine Rain Commenced about 3 O'clock AM. I was up at Kiln. helped Dig some Clay. Bought some Glass Jars Margaret is putting up Plumbs of which we have a good supply. got a letter from D Woodruff.

Aug 22 Clear & warm. Bought 20 lb of Beef. Margaret & Lizzie has gone to wash at Father Goulbourns. Mark commences hauling out manure this morning. Sold my (John Mowery) for 90 Dollars cost me more money.

Aug 23 Clear and warm. Mark is working on the Roads. James Stratton Paid his Brick Bill 22 15/100 Doll. I Paid Alfred Wright 50 Dollars. Margaret is quite Poorly. Mary Gee is here with her to Day she is better toward evening. good Rain about 6 O'clock PM.

Aug 24 Cloudy & Dull But all hands are molding brick want to make all we can. I made

shelf in the Cellar to Put jarred Fruit on.

Aug 25 Cloudy & wet. went to Columbiana to sell my 10 Acre lot But could not. they think Down there that it has to be sold But they will slip up on that. Rained considerable about noon. got Back at 4 O'clock.

Aug 26 Clear a Pleasant. on yesterday I got a letter from C H Carroll of Richland Co O asking some information about John Hilliards Farm he wants to Buy it. I gave him what asked for by letter. all but Margaret & I have gone after elder berries. in afternoon it Rained some. we Put up 5000 Brick.

Aug 27 Clear & cool for time of year. worked in shop. Lizzie went to Columbiana at noon will be back on the to morrow. Paid Abram Painter 10 Dollars owe him $2.25 cts yet. only one sett of hands moulding to Day Dont Dry fast.

Aug 28 Cloudy & Dull cool for August. Paid James Boone 25 Dollars (for Robert Eldridge's use) owe Eldredge 50 Dollars yet. Blacksmithed all this forenoon making Bolts for Brick shed. Mark is spreading manure. Margaret & Lydia are canning up Fruit Putting up lots of it.

Aug 29 Clear & Pleasant. worked at the Brick Shed to Day. Mark is Plowing. took Lizzie to work went after in the evening.

Aug 30 Clear & warm. worked on the Brick yard all Day. sun sett behind a small cloud. wind Blows like Rain.

Aug 31 Cloudy at Day light. all hands had to get up at 11 O'clock last night and go cover our Brick got all Done before it Rained any to hurt wind blew hard. Dug clay.

Sep 1 Clear & Pleasant all Day. Dug clay. all hands at work on the Brick yard getting along fine. opened our new Kiln it looks well.

Sep 2 Clear & very Pleasant. worked all Day Repairing my waggon all new now but the hubs. Clouded up at 4 O'clock looks like Rain.

Sep 3 Clear & Pleasant. all at work on the yard. George Fleck commenced again to Day he has ben at home one month. clouded up at Dark.

Sep 4 Cloudy & Dull. all hands moulding. Jo Venable sowed our wheat Mark harrowed it in. cleared off and is very warm.

Sep 5 Cloudy & a very little Rain about Day break but not enough to hinder the Brick making all goes on about Right.

Sep 6 Cloudy & still. sowed our Timothyseed. had a fine Rain at 8 O'clock. all hands

sett Brick.

Sep 7,8 Cloudy with indications of more Rain. threshed 30 bushels of Oats. in afternoon I tried to collect some money but found it a Difficult task. turned cool at Six O'clock PM. Abram Moris quit to Day.

Sep 9 Clear & cool. shod my horses and Righted things up. want to go to Cleveland on tomorrow. Mother Hise took Diner with us. cool at 5 O'clock PM.

Sep 10 Clear & cool. got up at 3 O'clock AM and started to Cleveland to Celebrate the 47th anniversary of Comodore Perrys victory on Lake Erie. arrivedat 9 1/2 O'clock our train had 21 Cars all jamed full. a great Crowd assembled much the largest I ever saw. I soon got weary. took Diner at the City Hotel after which I Bought 4 Barrels of Cement cost 5 Dollars. after witnessing the Sham fight I left for home arrived at midnight tired enough found all well.

Sep 11 Cloudy and cool. am some sea Sick shall Do but little to Day. Tom Wilson Paid me 25 Dollars on acct. I Paid West & McClever 8 50/100 of it and 15 to John W Fawcett I had borrowed on Saturday evening. had a Big Rain in afternoon about 5 O'clock. gave Pidgeon the Brick I brought from Cleveland.

Sep 12 Cloudy & cool. am 47 years old to Day. Entered some stock for the Fair. Boys setting Brick.

Sep 13 Cloudy at Daylight some frost. attended the Fair not a good one this year.

Sep 14 Clear & very Pleasant. Henry Kridler was with us last night. I worked on the Brick yard most of the Day. Paid Abram Moris ten Dollars. Settled with Wm Alberton owed him 62 27/100 Doll. Paid him some and expect to Pay him the ballance tomorrow.

Sep 15 Clear & Pleasant. the Brick makers took in Brick I helped load most of the Day. Paid Wm Alberton 10 Dollars Paid Edward Gaver 7 Dollars owe him 3 yet. a very little cloudy at sundown.

Sep 16 Cloudy & wet first rate Rain. Margaret & I undertook to Paper some but I soon got tired of it and we quit. wet all Day.

Sep 17 Clear and Pleasant. Mark hauled our Pine Plank up and I Put them on Pidgeons Brick Kiln to season.

Sep 18 Clear & warm. worked at the yard in forenoon. helped George shingled our waggon shed. Mark graded our lane.

Sep 19 Clear and warm. assisted George all Day. Edmond Smith of Iowa called to see and take Supper with us goes to stay all night with Joel.

Sep 20 Cloudy and wet Rained several Showers through the Day. George & I worked at the fence around our Door yard.

Sep 21 Clear & cool. cut up our Corn. George & I worked at the fence.

Sep 22 Cloudy & cool. worked at the fence until about 10 O'clock. settled with Charles Detrick owed him 14 12/100 Doll. John Street Paid me 60 Dollars on his Brick acct. I Paid Charles Detrick ten of it 50 of it I took to Alliance and Paid it to Wm Alberton all I owed him for making Brick. went in to see the fair and witness the horse Racing some good trotting Done. got home on the 6 O'clock train found several Anti Slavery friends here to Attend the Anniversary.

Sep 23 Clear & Pleasant. I attended the morning session of our Anniversary But had so severe a head ache that I stayed at home in afternoon. having a large attendance.

Sep 24 Cloudy with indications of Rain. head still aches cannot enjoy the meeting much in consequence. cleared off and is very Pleasant at sundown. Anniversary Company all gone.

Sep 25 Cloudy with some Rain last night. spent 1/2 half the Day up town. in afternoon I split out some stone. Aby Kelly Foster, Parker Pillsbury, Benj & Lizzie Jones took Tea and Spent the evening with us very agreeable. Mary Mendenhall is with us.

Sep 26 Clear & Pleasant. Discharged Mark Lyons who had worked for me 30 months the best hand in some Respects that I ever hired cannot fill his Place. split out some Stone for the fence. Planted and sett the Posts.

Sep 27 Cloudy & wet this morning but soon ceased to Rain. (omitted to say in the Proper place that Lizzie Dickinson was with us last night. we spent the evening at Joels in company with Abby H Foster, Parker Pillsbury, J E & B S Jones and several others had a pleasant chat). worked at the fence all Day. Smith Townsend of Mercer Co O called to see us is at my elbow as I write.

Sep 28 Clear & cool. worked at the fence to Day. Paid Lizzie ten Dollars.

Sep 29 Clear & cool hard frost last night. Smith went to town to Day. George & I worked at the Front fence. Lydia took Lizzie out to Boardman to go to School we shall miss her as she has been with us 19 months.

Sep 30 Cloudy & Pleasant. Margaret & I visited at Dickinsons Mary Mendenhall & Mary Whinney went with us had a Pleasant time. Joel, Mother, and Sarah McMillen were there also. got home at sundown found all right.

Oct 1 Cloudy & wet cold Rain. threshed some oats. spent most of the Day up town.

Rained most of the Day.

Oct 2 Cloudy & Dull. helped George at the fence. Pop Weaver Died. some hauled Brick & others sett Brick. to wet to Do much of anything.

Oct 3 Cloudy & Pleasant. helped George at the fence. hauled in our Pumpkins and hauled some Brick etc etc.

Oct 4 Clear & Pleasant most of the Day. the Boys moulded 4000 Brick to Day. some teams here from Alliance for Brick to Day. got a letter from Sam Barnaby of Mercer Co Ohio.

Oct 5 Clear & Pleasant. helped George in forenoon. in afternoon went and laid Pipe Down for Mrs Watterworths Hydraulic Ram but everything is much out of fix that it will Do no good until it is overhauled.

Oct 6 Clear & very Pleasant. worked at the Ram awhile this morning but to little Purpose. John Street Paid me one hundred Dollars Paid it to Joseph Thomas and Borrowed 20 more for a few Days and Paid it to Mark. Done but little work this afternoon. went up town this evening to hear Tom Woods speak on Politics but my heart failed me & I came home again.

Oct 7 Cloudy & looks like Rain. split Stone in forenoon. in afternoon went out to John Gordons to Buy some cider. from there I went over to Joshua Scholdfields to meet Margaret & Lydia where they had gone to say good bye to them (as they start in a Day or two for Illinois). we all came home in the Buggy had a very comfortable Ride. Bought an

old Copper Kettle will hold near a Barrel it is the first one ever brought to Salem.

Oct 8 Cloudy & wet any amount of Rain last night heavy thunder & wind. George & worked at our fence the Boys are Doing a little on the yard but can Do but little.

Oct 9 Clear & quite Pleasant for time of year. George & I still at the fence. some hauling Brick.

Oct 10 Clear & Pleasant. Cris finished Moulding Brick.

Oct 11 Cloudy & cool but little Rain. Drizzled some in forenoon. worked on the fence. to night the wide awakes made a great Parade several hundred of them. Mrs Bown of Cincinnatti is in town to Day she is at Joels to night. Margaret is Down spending the evening with her.

Oct 12 Clear & cold all Day. worked all Day at the fence. Bought 2 Barrels of cider cost 150 cts Per Barrel.

Oct 13 Cloudy but no Rain. worked at the Brick yard until noon. in afternoon helped George finish the fence got it Done and a glorious good one it is. Hiram Greiner Paid me 10 Dollars for 5 cords of wood. Paid John W Fawcett 5 of it and George the Ballance.

Oct 14 Cloudy & Pleasant. Put fastenings on our new gate. in afternoon we had Company Mrs Bown of Cincinnatti, Joel & Sarah McMillen Emly & Marius Robinson with their Daughter and some others had a good time.

Oct 15 Cloudy and coolish weather. helped George work at the Pig Pen that is our job now. Read a letter from Amos Gilbert.

Oct 16 Clear & warm. George is Painting fence the Boys are Digging Potatoes. John Sheets his wife Father & Mother Goulbourn, Mother Hise and Aunt Betsy Philip all visited us this afternoon and a very Pleasant time we had of it. I enjoyed it much.

Oct 17 Cloudy with a slight Drizzling Rain. sett our last Kiln on fire to Day. boiled Down our Cider for apple butter 2 barrels cost 5 Dollars.

Oct 18 Clear & cloudy at intervals. George is Painting fence. I Bought a Cow of John Kincade for which I Paid him 20 Dollars. John Street Paid me 50 Dollars loaned it to Whinney & Fawcett they have accomodated me several times this Sumer. got 13 Doors for Brick Kiln. got the Old Copper Kettle of Joshua Scholdfield that Bought of him a few Days ago.

Oct 19 Cloudy & Dense fog at Daylight. George is not at work to Day has the Rheumatism. we made our Apple Butter in the old Kettle got Done in good time. cloudy all Day but Pleasant.

Oct 20 Cloudy & wet. threshed oats in forenoon. spent the afternoon up town. Paid Fred 10 Dollars Paid Lydia a like sum. Bought her a Pair of shoes cost $1.65 cts over now my indebtedness to her. But I am not.

Oct 21 Cloudy & wet Rained hard at 4 O'clock AM. am Burning Brick weather unfavorable. hung our front gate and Put a fastening to it. in afternoon hauled wood at the Brick yard.

Oct 22 Cloudy & Drizzled Rain most of the Day. George & I worked all Day at a Pig Pen want to have a good one. Fred hauled wood.

Oct 23 Cloudy & Dull But little Rain in afternoon But had quite a shower about Sunsett. George & I still at the Pen.

Oct 24 Clear & warm all Day. Fred & I tore out the Big Cistern at the Old Sawmill & filled it up got first Rate Plank out for our Pen floor. finished burning our last Kiln of Brick. Bought 25 bushels of winter Apples.

Oct 25 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. got our Pen Done and a very good one it is. husked some of our Corn. Bought a keg of lead. Lydia went home to Day is to be married next Sunday

Oct 26 Clear & Pleasant. Fred & Aaron Husked Corn George & I Built Scaffold Ready to Put up Cornish. I went out to Harris Sawmill and engaged stuff for Doors must go on the morrow and Bring it home.

Oct 27 Clear & cloudy & Smoky we are now having our Indian Summer. hauled home my Door stuff and Put it on the Brick Kiln to Season. Fred went over to greenvillage to George Hivelys. He and Lydia are to be married tomorrow. I hauled some Brick.

Oct 28 Cloudy & Dull had some Rain last night. went up to see the School House. George Sheets came home and took Diner with me. W H H Dickinson, Eltina Sharpnack and Mother Hise were here also. Rained about Sundown.

Oct 29 Cloudy and warm. hauled some Brick husked somecorn. Cris & I went up to Spencer Strawns and got 2 shed Bales. George Fleck is making his applebutter to Day.

Oct 30 Clear & cloudy at intervals warm & Pleasant. George & I are at the Drapery for the House.

Oct 31 Clear & Pleasant. getting our corn in nicely. at work at the Drapery.

Nov 1 Clear & warm. got our corn in. windy at sunsett. Margaret went to Dickinsons to Day got Back before night.

Nov 2 Clear at Sunrise But soon clouded up and Rained all Day. Cris & I put the Shed on the Kiln got good and wet. Fred hauled Brick.

Nov 3 Cloudy & wet Dense Fog but cleared off at 8 O'clock and is very Pleasant. threshed 10 bushels of wheat. John Sheet Paid me 50 Dollars sent 20 of it to Abram Morris at Lisbon.

Nov 4 Clear & Pleasant. shod one of my Horses and made a knife Blade. Fred & I took a long walk Down to see Hilliards wood land that is for Sale.

Nov 5 Clear & cool. got up and had Breakfast before Daylight. Fred hauled 4 loads of Sand 2 from Franklin Square. I went to Wm Dunns Sale but soon got tired and came home. helped George at the Cornish of our House. got quite cold toward night. Cris commenced Digging a Cistern at the barn. all hands went up town to See the wide awake train. a Company was up from Columbiana they took Supper at the Farquhar House. Snows a little at 9 PM.

Nov 6 Cloudy & cold. helped George at the Cornish too cold for comfort but it must be Done. Fred & Cris are Digging the Cistern at the Barn. to Day Abraham Lincoln of Illinois is Elected President of the US.

Nov 7 Cloudy & Partially clear at intervals. sun shines Pleasant but the air is cool. got all the Drapery on the front of the House.

Nov 8 Cloudy and warmer. worked at the yard in forenoon. in afternoon helped Cris at the Cistern. loks some like Rain. Butchered one of our hogs to Day.

Nov 9 Cloudy & wet Rained all Day. we Dug at the cistern.

Nov 10 Cloudy & wet Rained most of the Day. Dug at the Cistern got it 12 feet Deep. Roads are getting muddy.

Nov 11 Cloudy & warm. George & I worked all Day at the Cornish. cleared off and is very Pleasant in afternoon. Sis has a sore throat I went up town got some Linemint and Caster Oil.

Nov 12 Clear & very Pleasant. at work on our Cistern to Day have it about 14 feet Deep. am hauling the dirt out of it into the Lane.

Nov 13 Clear & warm. worked at Cistern finished Digging it. George & I Put up Drapery on south Side of House.

Nov 14 Clear at 10 O'clock had a Dense fog but all cleared off and was very the North Side of House. Abram Grenewalt is walling our Cistern.

Nov 15 Dense fog with heavy frost. attended A. B. Forkers Sale Bought 2 Cows and several Small articles. cleared off in afternoon and is very Pleasant. Abram Maris took Supper with us.

Nov 16 Clear & cloudy at intervals warm and quite Pleasant. Brot my stock from A B Forkers sold the 3 year Old heiffer to George Fleck. got our spouting up on the North Side of House. Bought a Bushel of Cement and one of white Lime to finish the Cistern. Ed Smith of Iowa is with us.

Nov 17 Clear & warm. got our Cistern finished hung our Barn Doors. Paid off a note of one hundred Dollars in Farmers Bank. Paid Abram Marus 3 Dollars.

Nov 18 Clear and Cloudy at intervals growed gradually cooler all Day. George & I framed and Put up the Porch on the East end of House. at Dark as I write the wind is howling and warning us of the approach of winter.

Nov 19 Cloudy with some Rain last night. hauled some Brick. Rained hard at 10 O'clock

but in afternoon there was no Rain. George & I shingled the Porch.

Nov 20 Cloudy & cold ground froze some. Paved & Plastered the Bottom of our Cistern at the Barn. took Diner with Mother Hise Edmund Smith was there took tea with him at John C Whinneys he leaves for home tomorrow. spent the evening very agreeably. freezing some to night.

Nov 21 Cloudy & cool. Repaired the Shed and hauled in some fodder. Brot out Spouting for Barn. Bought 46 pounds of Beef. Sold George Fleck the white Cow for 23 Dollars.

Nov 22 Clear & cold ground froze hard. Fred is hauling stone to wall well Cris is tending Mason. thawed but little to Day clouded up towards evening and is a very little warmer.

Nov 23 Cloudy & moderate with 2 inches of snow the first this Fall. Abram finished our cellar George Put up our Apple Bin and we Put our Apples in it. Fred worked about the Barn all Day.

Nov 24 Cloudy & cold (although when I went to Bed last night the weather was warm and Rainy). Secured our Potatoes & Cabbage got some corn ground. Snowed and Blowed all Day and is very cold for time of year ground froze solid.

Nov 25 Cloudy & cold moderated a little. made a sled for Little Edward. in the evening Margaret & I walked up to hear Mr Gordon Lecture But got to the wrong House and came Back without hearing him. I spent the evening at Joels.

Nov 26 Cloudy & cold. threshed oats until noon. snowed all Day toward sundown weather moderated is Raining at sunsett. brot my sleigh home one I got of Wm Townsend.

Nov 27 Cloudy with a Drizzling Rain at 7 O'clock AM. George put up the Spouting at the Barn. commenced a well in the Back yard. warm all Day.

Nov 28 Clear & very Pleasant in the sunshine But thawed none in shade. got our well about 18 feet Deep struck a light vein of water But I fear it is not Suffficient. Paid Mrs John Kincade 2 Dollars & 30 cents a ballance I owed John for a Cow.

Nov 29 Cloudy & cool But growed gradually warmer all Day. got our well 25 feet Deep and it is now perfectly Dry. Settled with John Marshall owed him 23 Dollars gave him an order on W P West for 12 50/100 Doll and Due Bill for the ballance. will freeze but little if any to night.

Nov 30 Cloudy with a very little Rain last night. Dug at our well all Day got it 34 feet Deep But little Prospects of water. commenced Raining at noon we built a shed over the well and went ahead. snowed at Sundown.

Dec 1 Cloudy & cold all Day snowed some and the ground is frozen hard. Dug at our well until noon. in afternoon I went up town nothing going on that I could learn.

Dec 2 Cloudy & cold. Blacksmithed most of the Day. Joshua Davis and Dan Howel called over & took Supper with us was very glad they Done so the former never ate a meal with us before. snowed some ground froze hard. Settled with Cris Kineman gave him my Due Bill for 416 Dollars Dated Dec 1st 1860.

Dec 3 Clear & Pleasant all Day. Butchered our Hogs Sold one to George Fleck weighed 250 lb at 5 1/2 Per lb. Settled with Gas Company they owed me 157 30/100 Doll gave me a check to Thomas Greiners for the amount took a Certificate of Deposit. Settled with Joel McMillen, John Street the Tabors etc etc. Bought a Keg of 8 nails a Keg of Lead some Lampblack etc.

Dec 4 Cloudy & Snowing snowed most of the Day. cut up our Pork. Paid Thomas & Greiner 2 Hundred Dollars all I owed them. very Pleasant winter weather.

Dec 5 Cloudy with Pleasant winter weather. Put a curb in the well had a good time of it (over the left). Cris and I Both fell in head foremost curb and all with us. the latter was Broke to Peices we lit on our feet and into mud and water up to our knees and strange to say was unhurt. I should be loth to take another such trip lest I fair worse. Salted our Pork. Gave Wm Castleberry an order on Benj Antrim for 6 50/100 Doll and one on Thomas Spencer for 7 Doll.

Dec 6 Cloudy and Stormy snowed considerable through the Day. worked at the well commenced walling it up not much water coming in but it caves so that it is Dangerous working in it. Lizzie Hively & her Uncle Christian Kentner came about noon took Diner with us Lizzie stayed. Tom Sharp called and spent the evening with us he has just returned from Mississippi gives a hard account of the Country & and its institutions. Sold the Red Cow 22 30/100 Doll.

Dec 7 Cloudy snowed some but thawed in middle of the Day. got our well walled up to the Curb used up all our Stone. Put fastenings on the Barn Door.

Dec 8 Cloudy & cooler snowed consideable last night. mended our Sleigh. Margaret went to Sister Unos in the Sleigh. wrote D Woodruff a letter.

Dec 9 Cloudy & warmer thawed some to Day. I Done but little to Day except to Settle with Ben Jones.

Dec 10 Cloudy & Rained good Part of the Day. George & I Put up the Spouts at the Barn and turned the watter into the Cistern. got a letter from David Woodruff. Lizzie went home to Day in Hack.

Dec 11 Cloudy & some Colder snowed a little last night. Threshed wheat in forenoon. in afternoon went out to Tom Sharps. spent a part of the evening at the Farquhar House. wrote David Woodruff a letter.

Dec 12 Cloudy & Pleasant winter. threshed in forenoon. Put Pickle on my hams & shoulders. Judith Brooks (wife of J J Brooks) Died at 2 O'clock P.M.

Dec 13 Cloudy & cold snowed some but no sledding. finished threshing our wheat had 56 bushels. I Blacksmithed some. Roads are excellent.

Dec 14 Clear & cold. Roads are smooth as can well be. threshed Oats to Day. was Down to S Webbs to see about getting a chance to chop Brick wood. clear & Star light very Pleasant winter.

Dec 15 Clear & cold. I spent the entire Day up town collecting a little money. Paid it to George Fleck & Fred Smith.

Dec 16 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. attended the Funeral of Judith Brooks a large concourse of People attended. they had religeous Services in the Methodist church. Margaret & I spent the evening at Joels.

Dec 17 Clear & warm in the sun. shod "Mike & Jerry". George built a coal House. in afternoon the Boys (Cris & Fred) hauled stone to wall the well.

Dec 18 Cloudy a little colder than yesterday. made hinges and hung the shop Door. got all shut up now the Boys are hauling stone for well.

Dec 19 Cloudy and quite windy. the Boys still hauling stone. I went to Jacob Mickleys to get a wood lot I wanted to have chopped off But I Did not Decide whether I would cut it or not. went to Town Bought a Pair of Boots of John Callahan cost 4 Dollars. Rained in afternoon and the Roads are sloppy. wind blows a gale at 7 O'clock P.M.

Dec 20 Cloudy & wet Rained all last night and all Day or nearly so. made hinges and hung Carriage House Doors. Roads very muddy.

Dec 21 Cloudy a little cooler but quite Pleasant. worked at the well again to Day a miserable job it is. made an axe handle. Played a few hands of Ukre.

Dec 22 Cloudy and cold. finish walling our well and covered it up for Spring. went to town in evening.

Dec 23 Clear & cold very frosty but thawed in the middle of the Day. Parker Pillsbury took Diner with us & spoke in the Town Hall. Subject was the exigencies of the Times. he had a crowded audience and made one of his masterly Speeches.

Dec 24 Cloudy & cold. spent the Day in Town. Margaret is Selling Fair goods I came home with her at 9 O'clock. Considerable excitement on the Rumor of Secession By South Carolina.

Dec 25 Cloudy with Some snow that fell about Daylight. spent the Day in Perfect idleness. took Diner with Marius Robinson, Parker Pillsbury, James Barnaby & Lady were also there. came home about 9 O'clock. very Pleasant winter weather.

Dec 26 Cloudy & very Pleasant winter weather. Cris & I cut Brick wood & Fred hauled wood came home quite tired. Played a few games of Ukre. Margaret is at Grandmother Hise's to night she is still engaged in selling Fair goods.

Dec 27 Cloudy with weather just the same. Cris & I cut wood. Margaret is still at the Fair goods to Day. Fred is hauling wood.

Dec 28 Cloudy with weather as near the same as can be just Cold enough to keep from thawing. cut wood to Day. very Pleasant winter weather.

Dec 29 Cloudy & windy but no colder as fine winter as can be. not cutting wood to Day. spent the Day up Town. John Street Paid me 25 Dollars Benj Antrim Paid 3 25/100 Doll.

Dec 30 Cloudy with weather the Same. to Day we had a very Pleasant visit of some of our Friends (viz) Sister Una & her Husband, John Whinney & Lady John Gordon & Lady, Aunt Ann Ranson & Hetty Luikens had a good time.

Dec 31 Cloudy & colder cleared off about noon sun shone very Pleasant but thawed none. cut wood to Day. Farewell to 1860 you are about to leave for "the land of Dixie".

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Jan 1 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. Margaret Lydia & I took Diner with Father & Mother Goulbourn spent a few hours very Pleasantly with them. the Ballance of the Day I spent in Town Reading the news which is eagerly Sought now since South Carolina has Seceeded (I fear she will come Back).

Jan 2 Clear and warm thawed considerable to Day. ground our axe. Settled with McCall & Pennock owed and Paid them $13.13 cents gave them an order on Wm Taylor. Clouded up toward evening and is quite warm. Played Ukre all the evening.

Jan 3 Cloudy & colder. John Street Paid me 56 Dollars I Paid Wm Hewett 50 20/100 Doll Paid Fred Smith one Dollar. spent the Day up Town. Lydia went to Green to spend a few Days.

Jan 4 Cloudy with one inch of snow this morning. helped Cris Saw of Big logs for Brick wood. cleared off about noon sun shone very Pleasant. toward evening I went Down to Jacob Markleys to see about some wood. Plenty of it but is too far to haul it.

Jan 5 Cloudy with weather about the Same. ground our Axes and found I had taken a violent cold. laid about the fire all the afternoon.

Jan 6 Cloudy and very fine winter weather. am very sick can scarcely write. Isaac Arnold came out and Bought a ____ of Oak Plank Paid me 60 cents for them. Ettina Sharpnack & good old Mother Hise are here to see us.

Jan 7 Cloudy & warm with some Rain last night. am a little better this morning took Phisic last night. throat still very sore. Roads very muddy Fred had to quit hauling wood.

Jan 8 Cloudy & ground froze a little. am well enough to go to Town. sold some Brick & sett around the Farquhar House took Diner there but ate very little. Horse Buyers Plenty up Town.

Jan 9 Cloudy with weather just cold enought to keep the ground from Thawing. Took John up Town to offer him for Sale But he Did not Suit. I care But little as he is a good Horse. was up to look at the School House Came home about 6 O'clock PM.

Jan 10 Cloudy & colder snowing at Daylight. I am not so well to Day. Pottered a little at small waggon for Eddie. Snowed a little all Day But no Sleighing yet. head aches soundly to night.

Jan 11 Cloudy & snowing. Cris & Fred cut Down our Tall Poplar tree and cut it into Saw logs the cut of in all 65 feet. I went over to see Joseph Ball who has lately returned from Iowa. from there I went to Town spent the Ballance of the Day. 2 inches of snow.

Jan 12 Cloudy with 2 inches of snow. to Day I sat by the fire not having my boots on am not well. Fred went to mill. got a letter from John Hise and one from Lizzie Hively. very Pleasant winter weather.

Jan 13 Cloudy with fine winter weather. confined to the House all Day. Wm Dickinson called and spent the after Part of the Day & evening with us.

Jan 14 Cloudy & Damp weather moderated and Drizzles Rain all Day. I rode to Town Bought a String of Sleigh Bells cost me 6 Dollars. went to the R R Station met Sis there waiting for Florrine Stafford she came at 5 O'clock PM accompanied by Wm Blair a young gentleman from Pitts. he Reurned at 11 PM.

Jan 15 Cloudy & warm. I am too sick to sett up. took more medicine toward night. snow all gone Roads muddy.

Jan 16 Cloudy & warm. feel better this morning had a good night rest last night. Florrine is here Sis & Ema have both gone to School. I wrote a letter to Amos Gilbert. stormed (snow) abot 2 O'clock but Did not last but a few minutes.

Jan 17 Cloudy and warmish very Pleasant winter weather. I am still on the mend spent some time up Town to Day.

Jan 18 Cloudy & threatens Rain. Cris & Fred tore our old Sleds to Peices. I got a letter from D Woodruff (of Texas enclosing some money.

Jan 19 Cloudy some colder growed gradually so all Day. Sent Lizzie Hively 5 Dollars in a letter to Boardman Mahoning Co Ohio. Roads are good. got the Post turned for our stair way it is far the Prettiest one I ever Saw.

Jan 20 Clear & cold. Margaret took John & the Buggy & she Sister Phebe went visiting to Jo Saxons. I went over to Don Hafleys to look at a Horse I want to Buy. the ballance of the Day I sat by the Fire.

Jan 21 Clear & cold ground froze Hard. spent the Day up Town. Fred is Hauling wood. I Bought a lot of tools to Send D Woodruff (of Texas) cost 40 Dollars.

Jan 22 Clear & cool. Henry Adams & I went Prospecting for Oil But found none. got Back by noon. In afternoon I sat for my Photograph. Roads excellent.

Jan 23 Cloudy & cold. Fred hauled wood. I spent most of the Day up Town. Cris is cutting wood.

Jan 24 Cloudy & wet Rained a little all Day. Cris is unwell. Doing but little to Day.

Jan 25 Cloudy & cold all froze up tight. I shod 3 of our Horses. very icy. Boxed up tools and Dried Fruit for D Woodruff.

Jan 26 Cloudy & cold. took the Box to Franklin Station and Shipped it to E D Johnson Houston Texas. Bought varnish for Stairs. In afternoon attended auction Bought 4 Silk Desses cheap But may prove Dear enough as they were not wanted Particularly.

Jan 27 Cloudy & cold. Margaret & I went visiting out to John Gordons took Marius & Emly Robinson Gertrude their Daughter also. James Barnaby & wife, John Whinney & wife were there. we had a fine time of course got home at 8 in the evening.

Jan 28 Cloudy & cold Roads as good as can be. busy getting up wood. I spent most of the Day up town not being well enough to work much.

Jan 29 Cloudy & cold. George here to Day he & I are at work on the hand Rail new business to both of us but we can make it.

Jan 30 Clear & cold Roads as fine as can be. George & I still at the Rail.

Jan 31 Clear & cold as even tempered weather as can be. still at the Rail got it frame it fits nice. Sis is Poorly with a cold.

Feb 1 Cloudy & cold Rained some and froze as it fell. Fred quit hauling at noon. I helped George at the Rail.

Feb 2 Cloudy warm and wet Rained some through the Day. Cris & Fred Butchered our fat Hog she weighed 257 lb sold it to Philip Mathews. Settled with Benj Hilman he owed me 57 Dollars Paid one Dollar & gave his note 6 months after Date with interest. Settled with Wm Pidgeon he owed me 121 Dolars Paid 21 and gave his Due Bill for one Hundred Dollars. Roads muddy.

Feb 3 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard again. I went Down to Watsons farm to see Brick wood and from there to Cousin Dan Howels from there home. George Gordon & Elizabeth Brother Jesse and Sister Phebe Ezra G Wait and Sister Elizabeth (his wife) all visited and took Diner with us (had a Pleasant time.

Feb 4 Cloudy & warm ground froze but soon thawed out some is right sloppy at noon. George is still at the Rail. Margaret is Poorly. Tabors Dry House Burned.

Feb 5 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard again. Cris has gone visiting to Ellsworth & Alliance. Fred is hauling wood. Sis & Margaret are both very unwell. got a letter from D Woodruff of Texas.

Feb 6 Cloudy & warmer. helped George Put up our hand Rail. Sis is very much worse went for the Doctor at 11 O'clock (Rush) he came out about one O'clock gave his

medicine. at 4 O'clock she was much worse. George had to go in for the Doctor (as I was absent) but at Bedtime she is better and is asleep as I write at 9 O'clock P.M.

Feb 7 Cloudy cold and stormy snow blows in every Direction is getting colder all Day. took our Banisters up to get them turned. Sis is still mending. FlorrineStafford who is here on a visit from Pittsburgh is quite Sick to Day has symptoms of Diptheria. wrote a letter to D Woodruff of Texas. Sis is quite Poorly yet.

Feb 8 Cloudy & coldest this winter. brot out our Banesters. George is making an out Door for Bedroom. Fred is getting up some wood.

Feb 9 Cloudy and some warmer. George is Putting up the Banisters got our Stairs about Done. Sis is getting Better very Slow. Emma went to Canfield.

Feb 10 Cloudy but some warmer to Day. Sis is 18 years Old and is very sick. Timothy Gee & wife Jesse Hise & wife and others are here to see Sis.

Feb 11 Cloudy & warmer Rained considerable. Fred & Cris is at work at the Barn. I have to be at the House with Sis she Requires a great Deal of Care. wrote a letter to Jacob Hise of Albany Indiana.

Feb 12 Clear & warm the frost about out. Florine started home to Day. Sis is mending slow. hired Westley Harper a Colored man to farm. give him 13 Dollars per month for 6 months. hired Emanuel Forney to offbase Brick give him 15 Dollars per month. sun Shines very Pleasant at 4 O'clock PM.

Feb 13 Cloudy & Damp. Cris & Fred is cutting wood. George is not here to Day. I am still attending to Sis she is mending slowly. Paid Dan Hewitt 2 Dollars.

Feb 14 Cloudy & warm Roads very muddy. George is Puttting up stalls at the Barn. Cris & Fred is at the wood. Sis is still improving.

Feb 15 Cloudy warm & wet. Fred is oiling our Harness I am repairing. Sis Wait is here to Day. Roads very muddy.

Feb 16 Clear & Pleasant in fore part of the Day But in afternoon Clouded up and commenced snowing. Cris & I Blacksmithed most of the Day. Sis is still getting better. 4 years to Day since we moved on the farm not tired of it yet. Brot a Beautiful Painting out for Sis to look at (Prairie on fire with 2 wild Horses).

Feb 17 Cloudy and still snowing it is now 3 inches Deep. wrote a letter to Wm Hise of Iowa. I am some sick to Day confined to the House.

Feb 18 Cloudy & cold. confined to the House to Day got a severe head ache nothing Doing to Day too stormy. hired Amos Aspey to work on the Brick yard.

Feb 19 Cloudy & cold very Disagreeable out Doors. Snowed some.

Feb 20 Cloudy & cold. spent the Day up town. Cris & Fred cut wood and hauled up some to the wood house.

Feb 21 Cloudy some warmer. Cris & Fred is splitting wood. spent most of the Day in Town. thawed some Roads a little Sloppy.

Feb 22 Cloudy & cold. Blacksmithed some. Joseph Ball visited here until 2 O'clock he & I went to Town I Did not get Back until nearly night.

Feb 23 Cloudy & warm. hauled some Brick. Rained a little Roads very muddy. got a letter from Brother Jacob's Daughter. Paid George Fleck one Doller. money Darned scarce.

Feb 24 Cloudy and colder ground froze again this morning. made an axletree for my Cart. made a crutch for Sis. growed gradually colder all Day.

Feb 25 Clear & cold in morning but was very Pleasant all Day. Cris & I hewed Timber.

Feb 26 Cloudy some warmer very Pleasant all Day. Broke both of our axes quit chopping at noon. hooped our wagon wheels in afternoon.

Feb 27 Clear & warm all Day. Put the gravel Roof on our Porch. sett some fence Posts etc. Margaret went up Jesse Hise's to sew Carpet Rags. I brot her Back about Dark. Doctor Benjamin Stanton Died this morning at Daylight he is one of our oldest Citizens Settled in Salem in 1815. was our Family Phisician.

Feb 28 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. making fence. walled up the well. leveled off the Door yard. Paid Abram Shinn 15 Dollars he left my Due Bill with Thomas & Greiner for collection and they left it with Esq Handman. he sent me word and I went in and Paid it. any one of them could have had their money if they had asked me for it. I am never so Darned Poor but I can Raise that much.

Mar 1 Cloudy & warm. Built the fence Between Carriage House & wood shed. Cris & Fred got the garden leveled up nicely. Doctor Stanton Buried to Day. Sebastian Callahan sent me word to Day that he wanted me to hire another hand in his Place to work on the Brick yard I was glad of it. I wrote to Charlie Deatrick as he wants to work for me this sumer. verry warm at Dark.

Mar 2 Cloudy & warm Cleared off and was pleasant all Day. all hands at work at fence and leveling Down Door yard.

Mar 3 Cloudy & wet all Day Rained considerable grew a little cooler but is still warm. I

made a Brand for John Gordon.

Mar 4 Clear or nearly so at sunrise a very little cooler to Day. Abraham Lincoln of Illinois is to be inaugerated President of the Dis United States.

Mar 5 Cloudy & colder ground froze some this morning growed colder all Day. Put in a fountain at the Barn. Snowed very fast at times which made it Disagreeable But we stuck to it until we got Done.

Mar 6 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard and one inch of snow Down. Snowed and stormed considerable sun shone and melted considerable. John Street Paid me 50 Dollars all he owed me. Lewis Townsend Paid me 5 Dollars on his own account and 5 on his Son Johns account.

Mar 7 Clear and cold all Day. hauled 3 sills for Jesse's Shop hauled some Brick. thawed a very little where the Sun shone. hired Albert Vaughn in place of Edward Aspey.

Mar 8 Cloudy and moderate wind blows fresh from the east thawed all Day. mud Dried up fast is warm at Sundown and threatens Rain.

Mar 9 Cloudy & colder with 2 inches of snow this morning Rained considerable in the night. spent the Day up town Doing nothing. James England Paid me 8 Dollars I Paid 5 of it George Gibbs on account. snow melted considerable.

Mar 10 Cloudy & cold with more snow this morning we are now having such weather as we might expect in February But better now than in April. Snowed considerable through the Day stuck close to the fire all Day.

Mar 11 Clear & cold at Sunrise But soon clouded up and snowed some. thawed a very little But at sunsett is freezing will be cold to night. Cris & Fred Split wood.

Mar 12 Cloudy & looks like Rain. got 2 Hundred lb of 3/4 Round iron for Bracing our fence. Bought 2 Dozen Buckets, tapped 60 Sugar trees. Roads verry muddy.

Mar 13 Cloudy and cool. Rained a little last night. gathered and Boiled Down 3 Barrels of Sugar water. Emma is up to M Robinsons to night. got a letter from Amos Gilbert he is yet very well.

Mar 14 Cloudy & cold ground froze. Done but little to Day the Boys are splitting wood. got a letter from D Woodruff.

Mar 15 Clear & warm cool wind from Northeast. Paid James Boone 52 Dollars and 18 cents. Paid Amos Stewart 30 Dollars and 65 cents for 152 Bushes and 3 pecks of Oats at 20 cents per bushel (cheap enough). sent a Dress pattern to Pittsburgh By Wm McCleren to get it colored gave him 1 50/100 Doll to Pay for the Same. I spent most of the Day up

town.

Mar 16 Clear & Cloudy at intervals sugar water Ran well Boiled water all Day at night have 3 Barrels on hand. Cris & I Boiled until 10 O'clock PM.

Mar 17 Cloudy & colder ground froze Sollid. spitting snow some but is too Darned cold to snow much. wrote a letter to Amos Gilbert. am unwell this afternoon. Emma is Sick all Day.

Mar 18 Cloudy & very cold. George made front gate I Done but little. gave Charles Hays a note on John Chisholm for 43 Dollars and 81 cents he credited it on Book owe him 13 Dollars and 3 cents yet. that Paid and I owe no Dry good merchant in Salem a cent.

Mar 19 Clear & sun shone Pleasant but air is cold. the Boys cut wood & hauled Brick. I Repaired Aaron Antrims water Ram. George Papered Sis's Room.

Mar 20 Cloudy & cold snowed a little. Fred hauled wood Cris chopped. I Boiled Down our Sugar water. Sister Una & Magdalene Wilson visited us to Day. thawed a little toward night.

Mar 21 Clear at Sunrise but soon Clouded up and stormed and snowed as hard as it might be expected in January. Cris & I undertook to hew timber but Backed out. Blacksmithed in afternoon. Fred hauled wood.

Mar 22 Clear and Delightful at Sunrise Continued warm all Day. finished hewing the timber Fred hauled wood. Roads are good now.

Mar 23 Cloudy warm Rained a little. we hauled the timber in for Jesse's shop. spent the afternoon up Town. Joseph Ball sold 104 Acres of his farm to Hugh Stewart for 65 Dollars per acre.

Mar 24 Cloudy & cool wind and Pretty strong. Repaired Joels water Ram worked some in wood shop. In afternoon I went over to see Joseph Ball I shall miss himwhen he goes to Iowa.

Mar 25 Cloudy and warmer windy and Dry to Day. Fred & Lydia moved I Bought them 63.05 cents worth of goods to commence with. assisted George in afternoon. Roads excellent Dry and smooth.

Mar 26 Cloudy and moderate. in forenoon I assisted George at the South Porch. in afternoon Sis & I went in Search of a girl to work for us this Sumer had quite a hunt found one after traveling 21 miles got home about sunsett. Fred hauled wood and Brick (Rained.

Mar 27 Cloudy & colder. assisted George some. stormed and snowed fast at times is

very Disagreeable out of Doors. Cris & Fred sorting Potatoes.

Mar 28 Clear & warm. laid out the Drapery for Porch & woodhouse in forenoon. in afternoon I helped Cris take Down Casing. Fred is hauling manure from Town. Roads pretty good.

Mar 29 Cloudy but Pleasant. attended Jehu Dyers Sale Bought enough to cover what he owed me the only way I could get anything. in afternoon I went up to Benton to Buy an iron Crib to temper clay but could not Buy it got back about sunsett.

Mar 30 Cloudy & cold hard wind last night blew one of the corner Pinecles off of the Methodist Church. attended Joseph Ball's Sale Bought some vinegar cheap. snowed some was Disagreeable all Day. Margaret has a Bad cough. collected 6 50/100 Doll by the hardest.

Mar 31 Cloudy but considerable warmer. George Fleck Papered our Bedroom to Day. I made Ed a kite. quite Pleasant in afternoon.

Apr 1 Cloudy & wet wind blows strong from South East Raining and is very Disagreeable out Doors. Westley Harper (Collored individual) came on this morning he is going to Farm and Do what else he can. Blacksmithed in forenoon. In afternoon went Down to Joseph Gongwers and Brot Barbara (his Daughter) up to work for us. Rained when I started but soon quit is cold and Disagreeable got home in good time. George is papering to Day. Aaron Calvin Paid me 16 Dollars owes me 1 50/100 yet.

Apr 2 Cloudy & some warmer grew gradually warmer all Day. helped George at Porch. Cris & Westley gathered up trash and cut it up for fire wood.

Apr 3 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. westley is Preparing ground for Potatoes Cris is on the yard. I helped George at the Porch got it Done it is what I call nice.

Apr 4 Clear & warm. Balus Fawcett Put Lightning Rod on our House to Day cost 15 66/100 Doll gave my obligation for it Due in 6 months. Spent the afternoon up Town. Tom Mead was out to look at John wants to Buy him Do not know whether he will or not. Westley commenced Plowing for Oats at noon.

Apr 5 Cloudy & cool. worked some at the Brick yard and some at home. Wesley sowed some of our Oats. Ike Taylor called in this evening he has been west for 4 years left Kansas last Tuesday. John Shannon Paid me 2 Dollars I Paid Samuel Hawley one of it.

Apr 6 Cloudy with some Rain last night. Wesley & I went to E Bonsalls and brot home 21 ever green trees & Cris sett them out. I got sick and had to quit.

Apr 7 Cloudy and Drizzling Rain a little. walked Down to see 20 Acre lot I talk of Buying Doubtful if I Buy it got land enough. Ike Taylor called in toward evening is going

to stay all night. am sick yet

Apr 8 Clear with cool wind from East. hauling Brick to Day too wet to Plow. am yet sick. Margaret Ike taylor & I are going to J F Dickinsons to stay all night.

Apr 9 Cloudy & wet Rained all Day. was all night at J F Dickinsons started at 2 O'clock in the Rain got home at 4 O'clock PM found all Right. Roads very muddy ground wet as can be. had a Pleasant visit.

Apr 10 Cloudy. our new well caved in at 2 O'clock this morning shall have to fill it up. worked in the Shop all Day. Joseph Ball took Diner with us. I made Lizzie Ball a good claw hamer. cleared off in afternoon and is very Pleasant. Fort Sumter Provisioned to Day (I suppose).

Apr 11 Clear & Pleasant. worked at the Brick yard. Emma got her Certificte to teach School. cloudy & looks some like Rain at sundown. Joseph Ball & his Family left for Iowa to Day. Bought 296 feet of Boards of Harris & Bolen.

Apr 12 Cloudy and warm. I went over to Wm Morris & Elias Oysters, School Directors, to make arrangements in Regard to Emmas School it will commence about the first of May. was over as far as Thomas Callahans Saw Lizzie Hively got home at noon went on foot. in afternoon I went up Town. Rained most of the afternoon. at 8 O'clock is Raining hard. no important news from the Seat of War (Charleston S.C.)

Apr 13 Cloudy & wet. Cris & Wesley made out lot from the Cistern at the Barn. I Blacksmithed ironed my Cart. several Showers through the Day. war news exciting the Confederate Army opened their Batteries on fort Sumter in Charleston Harbor at 12 O'clock M on the 12th inst. all are anxious to know the Result. Civil War is now inaugerated Because of that "that niger in the fence (may the fence be Destroyed).

Apr 14 Cloudy with plenty of water ground very wet from yesterdays Rain. went up to Buckeye Foundry. all hands at work in afternoon. took Mike & Buggy went for Barbary. Rained most of the afternoon.

Apr 15 Clear with stiff frost. Fred Smith commenced work again to Day all three are hauling in our large Rick of Hay. I spent the Day up town listening to the Different Stories about the war. all agree that Fort Sumter is Surrendered. President Lincoln issued his Proclamation calling for 75000 men to quell the Seceding States.

Apr 16 Cloudy and cool. the boys are hauling in our hay I commenced a tempering Shaft (of iron) at Tom Sharps. at noon commenced snowing Snowed fast all the afternoon. looks like mid winter 7 years ago to Day it Done the same thing. war news exciting Union meeting in Town Hall to night.

Apr 17 Cloudy with 8 inches of Snow looks Rather much like January out of Doors to be

interesting. can Do nothing of any account. the Boys Drained the cistern & cleaned out the Wood house. no war news of importance to Day. Snow about all gone cool wind from the northwest all Day. got my shaft morticed & Bored.

Apr 18 Cloudy and cold all Day. finished the out let from the cistern. in afternoon hauled Brick. George is making Brick molds. Recruiting for the Federal Army in Salem. Bought 145 lb of Dried apples cost 3 cents per lb and 2 Bushels of Dried Peaches cost 250 cents per Bushel.

Apr 19 Cloudy cold and snowing ground covered wind in northwst. hard time on Brick making. got 5 evergreen trees of Mark Bonsall Put one at home & 4 at the lower House. worked at the yard in afternoon. lots of Soldiers Passing through on the way to Washington City. clear & cold at Sunsett.

Apr 20 Clear and most Delightful weather. we all worked on the yard in forenoon. in afternoon Wesley Plowed George Fleck lot. (Kate had a Foal). war news very exciting Harpers Ferry Burned to Prevent its falling into the hands of Virginia whose Governor had Dispatched 2500 Troops to take Possession of it but of whose approach Leutenant Jones was fortunately apprised in time to fire the whole concerning 15000 stand of Arms together with all the Buildings and Machinery were Destroyed. subscribed 25 Dollars for war expenditures.

Apr 21 Cloudy but Pleasant out of Doors. Did not get up until late. Spaded some garden Planted Peas and sett out Onions. in afternoon Roved Round got home at Dark.

Apr 22 Clear at sunrise some cloudy through the Day. worked on the Brick yard. Sold 3 Acres of our land together with the House I Built for Amos Tucker to Joshua Webb for 653 Dollars one hundred to be Paid on the first of June the Ballance on or before the first Day of April 1862 with interest from Date. looks a little like Rain at 9 O'clock PM.

Apr 23 Cloudy & Pleasant some wind from Southwest looks like Rain but none comes. worked on the yard all Day. no war news to Day. finished sowing our Oats to Day late but the first Day the ground has been Dry enough this month.

Apr 24 Cloudy and wet in forenoon. cut Down the walnut trees in front yard was loth to Do so but no other tree would grow near them. Cris worked on the yard in afternoon. got a letter from Dave Woodruff announcing the Safe arrival of the Box sent him last January.

Apr 25 Clear and Pleasant all Day. Fred moved to Day. John Fisher moved into the House Doc Webb Bought of me Benj Hawley Surveyed it Fisher & I sett in good corner stones.

Apr 26 Clear & very Pleasant. laid worm fence in forenoon along the north Side of lot sold to I Webb. in afternoon worked on the yard. nothing Startling from the Seat of war.

Apr 27 Cloudy & Partially clear at intervals. Rained a very little early this morning. worked in yard in forenoon. got Mark Lyons a hat at Marius Robinsons.

Apr 28 Cloudy & wet in forenoon But in afternoon cleared off and it is very Pleasant. spaded some in garden wrote letter etc etc. Sis took Emma over to her School and brot Barbary & her Sister Back with her.

Apr 29 Clear & Pleasant. Charles Detrick and John Kineman commenced work to Day commenced moulding this afternoon. C C Brainard Paid me 20 Dollars to Day.

Apr 30 Cloudy & wet. Righted up things on the yard some of us Rolled logs. J F Dickinson and Lizzie took Diner with us. cleared off (or Partially so) But at 9 O'clock PM is Raining again. Read the Cincinnatti Commercial until late and am now jotting it Down.

May 1 Cloudy & cold growed colder and spit snow all Day. could Do nothing on the yard. Cris & I put blades in our Tempering shaft in forenoon. in afternoon Margaret & I went Down to see Emma she is getting along very well. 3 of our Hands came on Ready to go to work in the morning Emanuel Forney Amos Aspey & Albert Vaughan.

May 2 Clear & cold as Sam Hill ground froze consideable Ice 1/4 thick in bucket. molded 2000 Brick in afternoon. I assisted George some of the time Wesley finished rolling logs.

May 3 Cloudy & cold Drizzled Rain all Day. some hauled Brick. made tempering tubs and cleaned off yard. very Disagreeable weather.

May 4 Clear & cold. all hands made fence around Fishers lot Removed the great gate etc. D G Swaim Paid me 5 Dollars I Paid it to George Fleck. warm & Pleasant through the Day. Sis went Down to Thomas Callahans & brot Emma Home she is very glad to get Back.

May 5 Clear & Pleasant at Sunrise Pleasant weather. Clouded up toward evening. Sis took Emma over to her School.

May 6 Cloudy & cool. molded Brick in forenoon. Wesley Plowed corn ground until noon Rained all the afternoon. we are getting along very Poorly on the Brick yard.

May 7 Cloudy and cool. Putting up tempering tubs. sett our Brick machine must try it soon as the weather will admit. several showers of cold Rain and hard wind.

May 8 Cloudy & cold Rained some can Do nothing on the Brick yard. Cris & I worked in shop the Ballance cut wood. in afternoon cleared off and we Dug Clay. Lydia Gongeway went home to Day she is unwell. engaged Mary Tucker to help us this Sumer. Paid Fred Smith one Dollar.

May 9 Clear and very Pleasant all Day. worked on the yard are now about Ready to go to moulding with our full force.

May 10 Cloudy & wet Rained about all Day ground as wet as can be. all hands turned out and threshed our Oats. I got a letter from Unkle Amos Gilbert he is evidently feeble. Lizzie Jones had a Sale to Day.

May 11 Clear and Pleasant at Sunrise. Dug Ditch and Carted Brickbats in the lane. clouded up in afternoon and looks like Rain. got a letter from John Hise.

May 12 Clear and Pleasant in fore part of the Day. made a low fence and turned our Calves out in the Orchard. turned our Cows out for the first Pasture is yet short. wrote a letter to Amos Gilbert. Barbary had to go home to Day her mother is very sick. we are now at a loss She was such a good girl. Amos Aspy went after his Sister up to Deerfield. Amma rode "Old Mike" over to her School. Wm Hewett accompanied her on Jerry to Bring the Horse back. Rained a little.

May 13 Cloudy & wet Rained considerable in fore part of the Day. fixed up our Brick shed and commenced a wall to burn in. Samos got back but brought us no girl cant come for 2 weeks. Mary Tucker came on this morning she is going to stay right along. the Volunteers leaves for Cleveland to night none of them are going to bed. Carouse around all night.

May 14 Cloudy & Cool. got up late was Surprised to hear that Charley Detrick had Listed in the U S Army and went with the Salem Volunteers this morning at 3 O'clock AM. hired Theodore Brady to take his Place. Cleared off and looks like Brick making again. Grandmother Hise & Mary Hise visited us this afternoon.

May 15 Clear & cool. got up early and spaded garden until breakfast. got 8000 Brick made to Day. I worked on the yard. Rained about 6 O'clock got all our Brick up that was Dry enough. got a letter from Jacob F Hise no war news to Day.

May 16 Clear & cloudy wind blowing from northwest. worked at the yard all Day got along well to Day. cold enough for frost to night.

May 17 Clear & cold considerable Frost. Planted our corn in forenoon. in afternoon worked on the Brick yard. to Day Lizzie Jones left Salem for good (Sorry for it) she goes from here to Oneida New York. still cold at sunsett.

May 18 Clear & cool considerable frost clouded up was cool all Day. worked on the yard. Brainard Paid me 25 Dollars I Paid John Thompson 9.93 five & a half of it for Cris Kineman Paid George Fleck 2 Dollars.

May 19 Cloudy but warm. made a sand Box made a Table extension and Paved some of

our Cellar. Lizzie Wait and Husband called out a few minutes.

May 20 Cloudy & Raining at Sunrise Rained all Day very moderately. all hands built wall for burning in.

May 21 Clear at sunrise. Built wall and sett some Brick yard too wet to mould Brick.

May 22 Clear and cool quite a frost. made 8000 Brick to Day I sett what I could. Sis is over at Lydia Smiths is going to Stay all night.

May 23 Clear & Pleasant all Day. all on the yard goes Right. took in a great many good Brick to Day. Wesley worked on the Roads that Job is Done.

May 24 Clear and Pleasant at Sunrise some cloudy through the Day But no Rain. we got in lots of Brick to Day. am very tired to night worked too much. sent John Hise a letter. Father Goulbourn Mary Gee & Cousin Harriet Woodruff visited us this afternoon.

May 25 Cloudy with a fine Rain last night. all hands sett Brick to Day. Doc Webb Paid me one hundred Dollars for the Property he Bought of me.

May 26 Clear & warm Delightful in forenoon but clouded up and Rained in afternoon. Paved my Cellar and spaded some garden. Paid George Fleck 2 Dollars.

May 27 Cloudy & Dull. got up early went to New Lisbon and Bought 414 Lb of good Bacon of George Nelson for which I Paid him 8 1/2 cts per lb cost 35 27/100 Doll got back at noon. Rained some and is Disagreably cold. worked at Brick yard all the afternoon. cold enough for frost if the wind falls.

May 28 Clear & very Pleasant. all hands on the yard to Day. clouded up at 2 O'clock Rained at Dark. I finished up our Machine tub must start it in a Day or two. No war news to Day.

May 29 Cloudy & Dull with a little Rain last night But cleared off and is cool. made 8000 Brick to Day. Wesley & Jesse Deetrick is hauling Bring to Batten. I ironed our Brick moulds for the machine worked very Steady to Day. Corn is Coming up.

May 30 Clear & cold quite a frost this morning. was waked up at 2 O'clock AM By Samuel Kimberly with 2 Fugatives from Southern Bondage. gave them Breakfast and sent them on towards Canada. Lizzie Sheets Arrived last night just from Ashland Ohio. got our Brick Machine Ready and made a few on it. Margaret took her Sister Lizzie of to Father Goulbourns this afternoon.

May 31 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. worked on the yard to Day. made 6000 good Brick on the Machine we have now 10600 good Brick made. C C Brainard Paid me 50 Dollars I Paid Thomas & Greiner 62 35/100 Doll.

Jun 1 Cloudy & Dull all Day but little Rain. made 8000 Brick took in all that was Dry. Lizzie Sheets and Anne Heacock is here to night. very warm.

Jun 2 Cloudy & Dull warm. got up about Sunrise went up to Brick yard covered some hacks had a late breakfast. Margaret took Lizzie and Annie over to Mrs Gants I took Emma over to her School Rained before I got Back. at Dark warm fine growing weather warm and wet.

Jun 3 Cloudy & wet everything looks like growing this morning our corn is all up and looks first Rate. sett Brick in forenoon but in afternoon was Dry enough to mold which they Did. C C Brainard Paid me 50 Dollars I Paid Joseph Thomas 86 49/100 Doll all I owe him among the last of my notes out. Paid George Fleck 5 Doll & Don Hewett 3 1/2 Doll. no Rain since Daylight but Cloudy all Day.

Jun 4 Cloudy & wet. yard too wet to mould sett Brick & built wall. hacked up all we had Down. Stephen A Douglas Died at Chicago.

Jun 5 Cloudy and wet Rained very hard last night spoiled ten thousand Brick for us. sett Brick and Built wall. no Rain to Day but is cloudy and Dull. got our wall about all built it is Complete.

Jun 6 Cloudy & Dull. made 11000 Brick to Day the most I ever had made in one Day. cleared off in middle of the Day is quite warm and Pleasant. Lizzie Sheets is here to Day. looks like Rain at sunsett.

Jun 7 Cloudy but no Rain to Day. made 9500 Brick by hand as nice as can be never had so many brick made in one Day before. Dried well hacked up 15000 and took in 3000. Margaret visited at George Sheets this afternoon.

Jun 8 Clear & Delightful this morning. got up early and Repaired my Cultivator before breakfast. worked on the yard the Ballance of the Day. got a fine lot of Brick up Brick Dried fast to Day.

Jun 9 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. Mr & Mrs Gordon Paid us a visit this afternoon (a very Pleasant one). Margaret & I spent the evening Down at Joels. Father & Mother Goulbourn called a few minutes they are both very well. Lizzie Hively spent the Day with us.

Jun 10 Clear & Pleasant everything appears to be going Right. worked hard on Brick yard to Day took in 10000. no war news to Day.

Jun 11 Clear & very warm all Day. got up early Rode Nelly Down to Franklin Square Bought one Hundred Bushels of Oats of John Clapsaddle he is to Deliver it at 25 cents Per bushel. took in Brick to Day. Margaret is visiting at James Wooruffs. some cloudy at

sunsett.

Jun 12 Cloudy & Raining at Daylight. we hurried in and covered our Brick got none wet to hurt. took in and sett Brick all Day. got a letter from Uncle Amos Gilbert. Cleared off and is cool at Dark.

Jun 13 Clear & cool all Day very fine weather for making Brick But too cool for corn to grow. got 50 Bushel of Oats of John Clapsaddle. worked on the yard in afternoon.

Jun 14 Clear and very Pleasant got 50 Bushels of Oats of Clapsaddle making 100 in all Alfred Wright Pays him for it 25 cents Per bushel. worked on the yard all Day.

Jun 15 Clear at sunrise but clouded up at ten O'clock no Rain. worked hard on the yard got lots Done. quite warm

Jun 16 Cloudy & cool. I got up before Day went up and covered our Brick Did not Rain much. cleared out our north cellar and filled it up some with Sand. in afternoon Margaret & I went over to see Sylvia Smith and her two Boys. I took Emma over to her Boarding House got Back to Lydias at sunsett where we tarried awhile. Joshua Davis called in and talked with us. cold when we come home.

Jun 17 Clear and almost cold enough for frost good Day for making and Drying Brick. made 6000 on the machine. Cris & I sett Brick we have now 20200 Ready to Burn most of them Sett.

Jun 18 Clear & cool very Pleasant all Day. took and sett Brick Both sett of hands Moulded we now have 200000 made.

Jun 19 Clear and warm. sett Brick all Day. John moulded on the machine. looks some like Rain at sunsett. Wesley is working our corn.

Jun 20 Cloudy all Day but no Rain. Don well on the yard to Day. we have now two hundred and 25 thousand Ready to Burn. George Fleck has the inflamatory Rheumatism.

Jun 21 Cloudy and Partially clear all Day very warm. But for a good Breeze the heat would have been intolerable. but one sett of hands making Brick to Day the Ballance are setting and getting th Kiln Ready to burn.

Jun 22 Clear & warm with all Prospects of Rain vanished. got up early and strooled through our woods for an hour very Pleasant. worked on the yard all Day. Bought 124 yards of muslin of Geo Street Bought a new Tea kettle cost one Dollar.

Jun 23 Clear & very warm in forepart of the Day in afternoon was cooler. Sis & Emma went out to John Gordons. Ike Taylor took them out. Sis took Emma over to her School. Joel & Sarah spent a short time with us this evening wish it had been longer.

Jun 24 Clear & cool at sunrise Pleasant all Day. got our first Kiln Ready and sett fire to it at 6 O'clock PM. one sett of hands moulded. Margaret & Sis is visiting to Sharpnacks.

Jun 25 Clear & warm with no Prospect of Rain. I attended the Kiln Both hands moulded. no war news.

Jun 26 Cloudy & Dull. Rained a very little but in afternoon cleared off and every Symptom of Rain Disapeared. our Kiln is Doing well.

Jun 27 Clear and warm. both teams hauling wood to Day. clouded up in afterpart of the Day Rained a very little. Kiln is Doing well.

Jun 29 Clouidy but Pleasant. finished our Kiln to Day. fixed up our other shed and Put in several Brick am too sleepy to add more. Emma Returned to night her school is suspended for 4 weeks.

Jun 30 Clear & warm some cloudy through the Day but no Rain. Margaret Lizzie Wait & I visited at John Gordons had a Pleasant time got Back at Dusk. Sis & Emma made shirts all Day for the volunteers.

Jul 1 Clear & warm. got up at 2 O'clock we all went to the Station to see the volunteers off. Aaron Henselwood was among the number. Sam Sharpnack held his Son Don to keep him from going but I predict he will yet go. Rained and blowed very hard blew hard enough to injure one of our sheds so that we had to take it Down to adjust the Poles got it all fixed up again. in afternoon commenced our second Kiln. Rained at 8 O'clock PM.

Jul 2 Clear & cool plenty of Rain for this time. sett Brick until noon moulded in afternoon. Cleared off finely and the weather is now all Right again.

Jul 3 Clear and beautiful weather for making Brick. I sett all Day moulded 8000. Alfred Wright Paid me 25 Dolalrs on acct. Paid most of it out to the hands.

Jul 4 Clear & warm. one sett of hands moulded the rest went to Pittsburgh. I made and ironed a Double Shovel Plow. In evening got up a Dish of ice Cream for the Boys. stores all shut up to Day. Settled with Fred Smith he owed me $29.19 cents.

Jul 5 Clear & warm. worked on the yard all Day got along well. Wesley is working our corn.

Jul 6 Cloudy and warm. worked on the yard took in Brick strong handed. Samuel Brubaker and wife of Columbiana took Diner with us stayed a Part of the afternoon. no Rain cleared off in afternoon.

Jul 7 Clear & very warm. the Boyd cut and shocked up some of our wheat all that was

Ripe enough. I Repaired our waggon and made a pair of crutches for George Fleck he is now Bad with inflamatory Rheumatism. had a heavy Rain about Noon is Delightful this afternoon. W H Dickinson is here to night.

Jul 8 Clear & Pleasant fine Breeze and is as comfortable as one could wish. worked on the yard all Day got 8000 Brick made. opened our Kiln they are good Brick.

Jul 9 Cloudy & warm. got in a Days work on the yard got 8000. C C Brainard Paid me 50 Doll owes me 18 50/100 Dollars yet. nothing special to Say.

Jul 10 Cloudy & looks like Rain. commencedon the yard But Proved too wet to Do much several showers through the Day. Paid P A ____ 22 Dollars for good bought at Waltons Auction. Robt Batten Paid me 25 Dollars I Deposited 35 Dollars with Joel McMillen. cut out a cap for Emma.

Jul 11 Cloudy & Dull. mould only a few Brick until it Rained. in afternoon 4 of the Hands Built a Dam in the woods to hold water for the Cattle. some cased the Kiln. Bacley Coppic took supper with us.

Jul 12 Clear and Pleasant at Sunrise but soon clouded up and in afternoon Rained now however until we got our Days work out. Read a letter from William Hilliardof the U S Army he gives an account of their march to Buchannon Va they expect warm times there.

Jul 13 Cloudy & cold. got up early went to Town & Bot 10 lb of Steak cost 80 cents. made a full Day on the yard. no Rain too cold for that. news came to Day that the Salem Boys had a fight on yesterday no Particulars. Barbary Gongwer took Diner with us.

Jul 14 Clear at sunrise but clouded up and was cool and Pleasant all Day. Margaret Sis Emma & I all visited to J F Dickinsons. Mr & Mrs Gordon, Marius Robinson & Family were there besides lots of others. William Dickinson their Youngest Son took his leave of them to go to Kansas to join the U S Army under Capt Montgomery. Barckley Coppoc accompanied him the latter spent the evening with us the former stays all night.

Jul 15 Cloudy & cool all Day but no Rain. we all got up at 3 O'clock A M and went to the Depot and Saw the Boys off Barckley Coppoc William Dickinson & Joseph Henderson. I worked on the yard all Day. Lizzie Dickinson was with us all Day her Father came in afternoon & spent an hour or so with us. Cars Run over Jo Venables Cow tore her all to Peices and upset 2 Cars off the Track Killing no one. commenced mowing our grass this morning.

Jul 16 Cloudy & Dull. moulded on the machine. Cris & I took in & sett Brick. C C Brainard Paid me 18 50/100 Doll the last he owed me on the Property sold to Murphy. worked our corn.

Jul 17 Cloudy & Dull at sunrise but soon cleared off and is fine hay weather hauling in

some of our hay. took in lots of Brick.

Jul 18 Clear & warm all Day. got up early and went up Town to see how things looked. Pow's Building is Progressing finely. worked hard on the yard all Day making and taking care of 8000 Brick a Day.

Jul 19 Cloudy but no Rain. worked hard on the Brick yard getting along fine.

Jul 20 Cloudy & Dull in morning but soon cleared off and is a fine Day. getting along well with our work Both in harvest and on the Brick yard.

Jul 21 Clear & Pleasant ground is getting very Dry. got up early walked out through the woods. Laid our Pick mended Brick moulds etc. in afternoon Margaret & I walked over to see Lydia Smith But they were not at Home. we sat Down & rested a few minutes and started home again. I called in to see David Fawcett he is in a way he is Palsied worse than anyone I ever Saw. stopped at the Brick yard and put up & covered all our Brick.

Jul 22 Clear & cloudy at intervals but no Prospect of Rain the ground is now very Dry. took in Brick all Day. Bad news to Day our Army before Manasses Junction is Repulsed and suffered a great loss. casts a gloom over Salem up late waiting for news.

Jul 23 Clear as a bell. the war news no better this morning the Details are sickening. have a very Sore throat. in afternoon the war news is much better our loss Does not exceed 300. Shermans Battery is saved as is most of the heavy ordinance.

Jul 24 Clear warm. war news still encouraging. getting along fine in the Brick yard. sell a few Brick but times is rather Dull. got our grass about all cut. water is getting scarce on the Farm.

Jul 25 Clear & warm with no Prospects of Rain. worked on the yard all Day. the Boys are stacking our hay not having room in the Barn for it.

Jul 26 Clear & some cloudy at intervals in forepart of the Day. George Noosebaum plastered our cistern to Day it is now finished except the filter. Rained a little this afternoon finished our hay to Day.

Jul 27 Clear & warm. John is not moulding to Day the Ballance of has gone taking in Brick. Theodore & I Dug some blue clay in afternoon. heavy Rain went around to the north about sunsett. got all Brick took cover.

Jul 28 Cloudy and cool fear we shall get But little Rain this time ground is now very Dry. Margaret & I visited at Caleb Arners. J F Dickinson & Lizzie Robt Marlow & wife James K Wilson & wife were there also. Arner himself was absent in Atwater mowing where he has two Hundred acres of grass to cut. had a fine Rain here about noon we got home at Sundown.

Jul 29 Clear & cool. all hands at work this morning. Sis took Emma over to her school this morning she has 4 weeks yet to teach. Anna Stafford is here from Pittsburgh she is a Sister of Florrine who frequently visits us.

Jul 30 Clear & very warm. Wesley & I went & brot in a shed Pole in forenoon. in afternoon we took in Brick getting along fine in making but are selling no Brick hard times.

Jul 31 Clear & cool with a good Breeze. Margaret has gone to Father Goulbourns to work. water is getting scarce here. Rained at 1 O'clock. sett Brick in afternoon. Rained moderate in evening heavy thunder.

Aug 1 Cloudy with some indications of Rain. Sold my Horse "Bill" for Eighty Dollars the same I gave for him last spring we can spare him as well as not. he goes into the Army as a cavalry Horse. Wesley Theodore & Dick White were Celebrating the first of August at Damascus a large crowd there. no war news to Day.

Aug 2 Clear & warm. worked on the yard taking in & setting Brick. Our three months Volunteers came Back to Day they Belonged to the nineteenth Regiment was in the Battle of Rich Mountain virginia lost not a man the only Regiment perhaps in the service that can say the Same. they are very much Sunburned and weather Beaten.

Aug 3 Clear & warm almost impossible to sleep last night. sett Brick getting along first Rate on the yard. no Prospect of Rain. Hendrick killed on the R.R.

Aug 4 Clear but considerable cooler slept well last night. got up before sunrise and took a short walk feel considerable the better for it. as fine a morning as I ever saw. Sister Una & her Daughter Eltina visited us to Day. in evening Margaret & I took Emma Down to her Boarding House got Back at 10 O'clock. I attended a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Anti Slavery Society of which I am a member. we concluded not to hold an Anniversary at Present. the Public mind is too much occupied with war to give us a hearing.

Aug 5 Cloudy at sunrise we soon had a fine Rain. no moulding to Day some sett Brick some Put up shed Poles and some Done nothing. Sister Wait got a letter from Jacob Saying he had had a misfortune to loose their Son James Hise and last tuesday by Drowning in the Ohio River at New Albany Ind where he lives. Jacob was absent from home at the time Did not know of it until thursday morning when he arrived at home. he was 13 years old and is the 5th son he has followed to the grave. I feel Sad for his misfortunes. Paid John Kineman 5 Dollars and Mary Hick 4 Dollars. cool & Pleasant after the Rain.

Aug 6 Clear but foggy. got up early and walked Down to Father Goulbourns and brot home our wash tub & wash board. after Breakfast walked out to Jim Trotters Sawmill

and bought 2000 feet of boards he is to bring some of them in Day after tomorrow. am sick as I write at 8 O'clock PM.

Aug 7 Clear & warm. I am very sick this morning slept none last night but not much. can scarcely sett up while I write. In afternoon I made out to walk Down to Joels Sarah made some Rasberry tea. I Drinked it and feel Better of it.

Aug 8 Cloudy and very warm. no moulding to Day all hands taking in Dry Brick. Cris Put on some of our new shed. James Trotter Brot me 740 feet of Boards. I Paid Richard Webb 15 56/100 Dollars I owed him for Brick wood owe him one Dollar yet. Sarah & Mother McMillen visited us this afternoon. I am much better. very warm at sundown.

Aug 9 Clear & warm. Put up our conductor. Put the filter in the Cistern and turned the water in it. Rained a nice shower about the time I got it Ready. it is about six years since the Cistern was built But was never finished until to Day. if it is not a good one such a thing cannot be made.

Aug 10 Cloudy & warm. Shod Nelly for the first time. Wesley hauled Brick in forenoon in afternoon hauled wood. Did not Do much work to Day.

Aug 11 Cloudy at sunrise had a splendid Rain last night got 2 feet of water in our cistern. Shod John & Jerry. took a nap. got a letter from William Dickinson last evening he is in the western Army.

Aug 12 Clear & cloudy at intervals. only one sett of hands moulding the Ballance are setting Brick. at noon we had a fine shower at 6 O'clock Rained hard and continued until 9 O'clock when I went to Bed.

Aug 13 Cloud with wind in northwest and Rather cool. feels like Equinoctial storm. our Cistern is full of water this morning more water fell last night than has fallen all sumer. all hands at work at the Kiln setting and casing it up. sun sett clear.

Aug 14 Clear & cool. all hands at work at the Kiln this forenoon. Pitts are too wet to mould. John moulded 2000 this afternoon. John Kineman quit to night he has Enlisted in the Army is going with Capt Ogden Street 11th Regiment Ohio Volunteers now in the Kanawha Valley North Western Virginia.

Aug 15 Clear & cool very Pleasant. Theodore Brady commenced moulding in John's Place. we have the Kiln cased up. Settled with John owed him 12 83/100 Doll want to Pay him on the morrow. Sis went over to Thomas Callahans to spend a Day or two with Emma & Lizzie. Wm Hewett took her over with our Horse & Buggy.

Aug 16 Clear & cool. no moulding to Day one hand is sick the Ballance are getting the Kiln Ready to fire. Mother Hise is 74 years old to Day. Lydia Smith is visiting here this afternoon. Margaret spent the evening at Mother Hise's.

Aug 17 Clear & cool. fired our 2nd Kiln this one sett of hands moulded. I Done but little work to Day Being very tired. in evening I went Down after Sis & Emma Sid not start until sunsett got Back about ten O'clock. very fine moonlight.

Aug 18 Clear & warm. got up about sunrise took Cris a lunch he was tending the Kiln all night. I Done no work to Day. Sis took Emma over to her School.

Aug 19 Cloudy & Dull to Day. collected some money. John Street Paid his Brick Bill & Hiram Greiner his also. I Paid James Bingham 20 Dollars on the 160 cords of wood I Bought of him gave him my note coming Due on the first of April 1862 for 64 Dollars (the Ballance I owe him). Rained a very little about Sundown.

Aug 20 Clear & warm. our Kiln is Doing well. Fred is hauling wood for me. some are making and others hauling Brick. sent a letter to David Woodruff of Texas.

Aug 22 Cloudy & Dull all last night. at 8 O'clock am commenced Raining. we have our Brick about all up too wet to make any. Bought 190 lb of Dried apples Paid 3 cents per lb. the Boys threshed 43 Bushels of Oats.

Aug 23 Clear & Delightful. shod two of my horses before breakfast. our Kiln is Doing well. Emanual Forney is sick has the Typhoid Fever.

Aug 24 Clear & warm. finished our Kiln. Forney isgetting worse has the Doctor. Drew 10 Dollars of Alfre Wright Paid 5 of it to Amos Aspey he went home to tell Forneys folks of his sickness. Emma has come home her school is out

Aug 25 Clear & warm. Forneys Father & Mother came Down this morning. I edged up 4000 Brik. Lizzie Hively came over & spent the Day with us. toward evening Henry King & wife called out a few minutes. Sis took Lizzie home.

Aug 26 Cloudy & warm. Cris is moulding again to Day I commenced the new Kiln. no sign of Rain at sunsett.

Aug 27 Cloudy & warm. new offbearer commences to Day at noon. I sett Brick most of the Day. Martha Stanton Paid me her Brick Bill $16.80 cents. I Paid L____ Silver 15 Dollars on an order he holds against me given him by Widow Elton (interest money).

Aug 28 Cloudy but little Prospects of Rain. worked on the yard all Day. Wesley & Jesse hauled Brick. Bad war news to Day some of our Troops in western Virginia surrounded. they cut their way out with considerable loss. Our three month men were Paid off here to Day.

Aug 29 Cloudy with Dense fog a slight shower of Rain about noon. we made calculations on a Big one but was Disappointed. Put on sheds in afternoon.

Aug 30 Clear & cool fine weather for making Brick. worked on the yard all Day.

Aug 31 Clear & cool. all hands making Brick fine weather for that Business as can be. Wesley is still hauling out Manure has been all this week at it. (Old Ann Street Died).

Sep 1 Clear & warm. I sett our log heap on fire they Burned up Directly. Margaret Sis & Emma went Down to Sister Una's. I walked Down to Daniel Howels from there over to Fred Smiths and after chatting awhile went Down to meet Margaret Sis & Emma. I walked home got home about Dark.

Sep 2 Clear and warm. got up early and worked on the yard all Day took in lots of Dry Brick. Charley Dietrick is at work again to Day has been absent since last wednesday. looked some like Rain but all Past off. we are making lots of Brick.

Sep 3 Cloudy with a nice shower at 7 AM But was of short Duration. one sett of hands moulded the Ballance took in & sett. Don Hewett our offbearer is sick to Day.

Sep 4 Clear & Pleasant. all hands making Brick to Day. I wheeled in and edged up, hacked etc. no Prospects of Rain yet. ground is Dry. news came to Day that Jeff Davis is Dead not fully credited.

Sep 5 Clear & cool Delightful morning as can be. worked on the yard all Day took in 8000 Brick.

Sep 6 Clear & Cloudy at intervals all Day sprinkled a little at noon. opened our new Kiln it is not as good as we expected. all went Right on the yard we now have 154000 in the 3rd Kiln. Alfred Wright Paid me 20 Dollars.

Sep 7 Clear and warm. worked at the yard all Day. Paid Mary Tucker 5 Dollars & Mary Hicks 3 Doll. But little Prospects of Rain.

Sep 8 Clear & warm all Day. Braced up some of our Fence. Done some minor schores and Slept the Ballance of the Day.

Sep 9 Clear & warm. all hands making Brick. Wesley is plowing for wheat. Paid Fred Smith one Dollar. I have a cold am stiff and sore.

Sep 10 Cloudy and Dull all Day. moulded only until noon. in afternoon took in Brick. Calvin More commenced hauling my wood from Watsons farm 161 cords he is to haul it for 75 cents per cord. Rained at sundown but very moderate.

Sep 11 Cloudy & Damp all Day. Rained several times through the Day. got our wheat sowed to Day Bought the seed of John Young gave one Dollar Bushel for it. Doc Webb Paid me one hundred Dollars By the hand of Benj Hawley.

Sep 12 Cloudy & Damp. I am unwell to Day can Do but little. am 48 years old this Day. sett Brick. cloudy all Day.

Sep 13 Clear and Pleasant. am still unwell. Mary Hick our hired help has gone home she got word last night of the Death of her Sister. news of another fight in Western Virginia Federal Troops victorious.

Sep 14 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up Rained a very little. Doc Spear Paid me 25 Dollars I Paid Lawson Harper 7 50/100 Dol Charles Detrick 5 Doll. Bought a Lythograph of J.C. Fremont. Cloudy & Dull. shall pay off one sett of hands wont Pay any longer to keep so many hands.

Sep 15 Clear & cloudy at intervals all Day. attended the meeting of the E Committee Done nothing the Ballance of the Day. all excutions is going to Campmeeting.

Sep 16 Cloudy & Dull all Day. sett Brick hauled Brick etc etc. no war news of much importance.

Sep 17 Cloudy Dull. Repaired our wagon and shod one Horse in forenoon. some sett Brick. Doc Spears Paid me 25 Dollars on acct. the Boyd had Oyster Supper. John Kineman starts to the Army in the morning.

Sep 18 Clear and Pleasant. 36 Soldiers left for Cincinnatti going to join Cox's Brigade in Kanawha Valley. Paid Charles Deetrick off Paid Amos Aspey off he went home.

Sep 19 Clear & Pleasant. Margaret Sis & Emma started at 3 O'clock AM for New Lyme Ashtabula Co O went to take Emma home and visit a week or so. took John and the Carriage. Mary Hick keeps house for us in their absence. Broke our wagon.

Sep 20 Cloudy and Dull in forepart of the Day But cleared off towards noon and is very warm for time of year. all our hands are taking in Dry Brick. I Repaired our wagon Put in a new Sand Board. went Down to Father Goulbourns and got 3 lb of good Butter. Eliza Hick (Marys Sister is with us this evening is going to stay all night. cloudy at sunsett.

Sep 21 Cloudy & Dull with a little Rain last night Pasture grows a little. all at work on the yard. Paid Richard White 17 Dollars the Ballance I owed him for work.

Sep 22 Clear & warm. went with Marius Robinson Down to Columbiana after Recruits for John Brown Jr 4 are going from there. we took Diner with Joseph Stricker. I called to see Jacob Esterly he is well. we got home in good time found all Right at Home. took a walk up town in the evening got Back at sundown. Mary spent the evening up town.

Sep 23 Clear & cool. Cris is moulding to Day. I am not right well but I load Brick. Wesley & Jesse is Hauling. Bought 13 lb of ham cost 159 cents.

Sep 24 Clear and Pleasant still keeps Dry. Aunt Ann Pearson is very sick at Sarahs with Fever. Rachel Hise and Lizzie Hise wives of Wm & George Hise of Iowa arrived this morning on a visit they are both well. Georges wife brought her son Howel along he is about 4 years old and very smart. I some expected Margaret Back to night but she came not. worked on the yard.

Sep 25 Clear and fine weather as can be. moulding Brick to Day. ground is getting very Dry. Broke our wagon was forced to quit hauling before night. Settled with Emmanual Forney owed 26 Dollars Paid him ten Dollars gave him my Due Bill for the Ballance. (Margaret & Sis retuned glad of it).

Sep 26 Clear and Pleasant. Repaired our wagon to Day. Westley has gone to the Fair at New Lisbon. I am all Right to Day our folks getting Home Safe sets me up.

Sep 27 Cloudy & wet commenced Raining last night between 8 & 9 O'clock and has Rained all night and is still at it at Dark this evening Plenty of water now. we threshed some Oats this afternoon. Wesley is still absent he has just come in wet.

Sep 28 Clear & cool this morning. all hands have gone into the corn field to cut it up am afraid to leave it longer. Rachel Hise of Iowa came at noon. our corn is all cut up. hauled 2000 Brick to Kings. Lizzie Hise & her Son Howel came this afternoon they are well. Rained a little about 5 O'clock is cool and Disagreeable out Doors. Mary Hicks left.

Sep 29 Clear and cool some frost this morning. our visitors have gone again this morning. Robt Campbell Died to Day at 12 O'clock cause of his Death cramp cholic 70 years old.

Sep 30 Clear & cloudy at intervals. all hands at the Brick to Day want to get Done as soon as Possible. Paid Mary Hick 4 25/100 Doll all I owed her. Paid Mary Tucker 1 85/100 Dol all I owed her. no war news to Day all is now suspence Big Battle Pending.

Oct 1 Clear and Pleasant. worked on the yard. Robt Campbell Burried to Day Funeral a large one. Paid Mrs Thompson 4 50/100 Doll for 50 lb of Sugar got 15 lb of it the Ballance is there yet. Old Wm Webb Died this morning 69 years old.

Oct 2 Cloudy & cool. helped load Brick. Wesley & Jesse Dug Potatoes. cleared off and is fine weather.

Oct 3 Clear & cloudy at intervals. intended to mould a few Bricks but is too much water in the Pit. the Boys finished setting what was under the Shed.

Oct 4 Clear & cloudy at intervals through the Day. moulded 4000 Brick. Wesley is hauling wood & Jesse is hauling Brick to the gas works. Theodore quit to Day he is going to cook in the 19th Regiment.

Oct 5 Cloudy all Day Rained considerable about 5 O'clock PM. got all the Brick sett that is Dry have not quite enough made yet. Aunt Ann Pearson is very low.

Oct 6 Cloudy & Dull Rained considerable about daylight this morning. I Put up the conductors in Front of our house this morning. too muddy to Run about but in afternoon I strolled Round. came home By Joels and sat up awhile. Aunt Ann seems Better she is very low. Rained considerable this afternoon.

Oct 7 Cloudy & wet. Wesley Put the Potatoes in the cellar. I Bought a Barrel of cider of Jim Bennett cost 2 Dollars. got an old Revolutionary Bayonet was once the Property of Benjamin Peart who was taken captive By the Indians and carried to Canada. I believe he was taken from Lehigh Co Pa. the history of his captivity would fill many Pages and I forbear.

Oct 8 Clear & Delightful over head. all busy getting our last Kiln Ready to burn. (voted).

Oct 9 Clear & Pleasant all Day. hauled some Brick. no war news to Day. I omitted to say in the Proper place that I voted on yesterday for the first time in 17 years. voted the Union Ticket.

Oct 10 Clear & Pleasant. bought hind quarter of beef at 5 1/4 cts per lb. Bought 1 Barel of cider and some sweet apples. made up one Barrel of our cider into apple butter very sour but we think it Better than none. went Down to Joshua Davis's to Buy some sweet apples but could get none.

Oct 11 Clear & Pleasant. Frank Hilliard Paid me 6 73/100 Doll. clouded up and Rained a little in afternoon. Henry King gave me 2 notes (for Brick) calling for 108 Doll each. one comes Due on the 18th of June next I left them with Thomas & Greiner for collection. Rachel Hise, Lizzie Hise, little Howel & a Miss Sackett is here this evening.

Oct 12 Clear & cloudy at intervals. threshed Oats to Day. some hauled Brick I spent the afternoon up Town Done but little. no war news of any account. Bought 11 lb of good butter cost 11 cents per lb.

Oct 13 Clear & cool wind from North west. got up in good season for sunday morning turned our Hogs into the woods. Margaret and Rachel went Down to Sister unos visiting. Mary Hick spent a few hours here to Day I Paid her 62 cents that I owed her and it was overlooked when we settled. cold at 5 O'clock PM will be a big frost to night.

Oct 14 Clear & Delightful Big Frost but warm in middle of the Day. hauled Brick some hauled wood and some worked atthe Kiln want to get fire into it. bought 2 bushels of sweet apples of Josiah Fawcett made another Barrel of apple butter this evening.

Oct 15 Clear & warm. hauled Brick all Day. Cris got the Kiln Ready and fired it at 4

O'clock this afternoon. after supper I learned that Aaron Henshilwood was in the hospital at Cincinnati. I at once made up my mind to go and bring him home. his Father nor Mother Does not know he is there. he belongs in the Army and has been on Duty in Western Virginia was brot Down last friday night with 200 others and Placed in the Hospital.

Oct 16 Cloudy. got up at 1/2 Past 4 Repaired immediately to the Depot. found the cars were behind time which enabled meto get the means to go with. I went up waked John Street up and of him I obtained the means. he gave me a ticket through which cost 8 90/100 Doll and money enough to make in all 30 Dollars for which I gave him my Due Bill he owed me that amount and more but we had no time to settle. we arrived at Crestline at about 11 O'clock where we were force to wait until 5 O'clock PM. while here I met with a Mr Long who was going on the same Business. we of course soon became intimate Put up at the Same Hotel (Cook House) which proved to be a very good one indeed. we took Diner & supper both before leaving. Ann Pearson Died.

Oct 17 and 18 Cloudy and wet. this morning found us at the Walnut Street House Cincinnati where we arrived at 2 O'clock this morning. took breakfast after which we went Down to Benj Bowns No 40 Main St who was very glad to see us. he kindly accompanied us to the marine Hospital corner of 6th & lock St. we were kindly shown through the Building but the men we were hunting had been taken to some other Place. from here we went to the St John corner of 3rd and Elm street where we soon found them they were quite comfortable and over joyed to see us. after spending a few minutes with them we commenced pulling the wires to effect their Removal home But such a time as we had to affect it I never saw. it would be idle to attempt to Record it I have not he time. Suffice it to say that after walking in the Rain most of the Day Passing from one military office to another and to some of them three or four times we finally obtained leave of Absence for them 20 Days at the expiration of which time they are to Report themselves at head quarters if able. if not able they are to send a Certificate of a Phisician to that effect. at ten O'clock we left Cincinnatti and arrived Safe at Home at twelve to Day. found our Carriage at the Depot awaiting our arrival we were soon at Home a glad Brace.

Oct 19 Cloudy and Dull. feel a little out of sorts. was up tending Brick kiln. must hustle round and get some money to Day if Possible. Doc Cary Paid me 5 Dollars Wm Lease a like sum. I Paid Emanual Forney 15 Dollars all I owed him. news came to Day that John C Fremont is superseeted in his command Gen Hunter takes his Place. this vicinity is not Pleased by the Removal.

Oct 20 Clear & Delightful weather. we are forced to haul wood to Day the Kiln is Doing slow. Lydia Smith with her Babies ishere to Day. Margaret has gone over to Grandpap Goulbourns to see Rachel hise. I whipped a chestnut tree Ed & I gathered the nuts.

Oct 21 Clear & Pleasant Jesse & I hauled Brick. Wesley is hauling wood. our Kiln is Doing well.

Oct 22 Cloudy. hauled a few Brick. spent some time up town. nothing special Doing this afternoon. we have considerable company too many to mention.

Oct 23 Cloudy & wet considerable Rain last night. Our Kiln is about Done. cold and Raw finished the Kiln this evening.

Oct 24 Cloudy & cold. went up to Laymans Sawmill 7 miles north. he owed and Paid 10 Dollars. I called J F Dickinsons and got Diner & Bought 10 bushels of Pennock Apples. he brot them Down this afternoon. Bought 6 numbers of the Rebellion Record.

Oct 25 Cloudy with cold wind. hauled Brick in forenoon. in afternoon undertook to collect some money but found it an uphill business. Paid Jo Thomas 15 Dollars of Borrowed money. want to to warren early in the morning.

Oct 26 Cloudy & cool. got up at 3 O'clock fed the Horse and harnessed him and about 4 O'clock started for Warren where I arrived 1/2 past 7 O'clock. waited until about 4 P.M. for Emma Walker she was to meet me at the Gaskill House But from cause unknown she failed to come. I mailed her a letter and started home feeling considerably Disappointed arrived safe about 8 O'clock had a Dark drive of it But made all Safe faired all well. Rained most of the Day at Warren.

Oct 27 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up but is Pleasant. walked up to Town about noon got hold of Saturdays Paper but found but little news. Sarah Joel & Mary Negus called in in evening.

Oct 28 Clear & Delightful. Cris & Wesley is husking corn I hauled a few Brick. Emma arrived this morning in the Hack from Warren. she came to the Gaskill House at Ten O'clock. we Did not see other and from unaccountable our sight in the Landlord (or someone else) we were entirely ignorant of each others Presence. She Did know until Sunday morning that I had been there at all. of course she felt sadly being an entire Stranger and alone But she however arrived all Safe. Rachel Hise and a Miss Sackett is here to Day. Paid John Street 30 Dollars of Borrowed Money.

Oct 29 Clear & Pleasant. wrote a letter to Wm Galbreath of North Benton. gathered up all my Old Scrap iron that has been accumulating for years. Settled with Alfred Wright he owed me 212 Dollars and some cents.

Oct 30 Cloudy windy & cold. hauled some Brick & Cris and I put the shed on our Kiln and fixed up the yard some. Rachel Hise Lizzie Hise with her son Howell is with us to night. Settled with Doc Hewett owed him 22 Dollars & 43 cts gave him my Due Billfor it. Sis Eltina & Emma were over to Jesse Pearsons quilting to Day.

Oct 31 Cloudy But Pleasant. hauled Brick. Doc Webb Paid me 100 Dollars gave a Receipt for it. Margaret is visiting at Jim Woodruffs.

Nov 1 Cloudy & Pleasant. got our corn all in to Day. I hauled a few Brick. lent Marius Robinson one hundred Dollars. Margaret was visiting at Obadiah Campbells to Day. looks some like Rain. Paid Don Hewett 5 Dollars.

Nov 2 Cloudy & wet having Rained all night waters are high this morning. Cris & I Blacksmithed to Day made the ____ for our fence. went to Town in evening. very Dark rode out with Joel.

Nov 3 Cloudy & wet still Drizzling Rain. went up Town and got the morning Papers after reading them through took a Stroll out into the woods my hogs are Doing well there. wrote a letter to John Deming of New Lyme.

Nov 4 Cloudy & ground very wet. hauled stone and worked all Day on the Dam in the woods.

Nov 5 Cloudy But no Rain to Day. hauled Brick. sun shone some. I commenced Boxing up Fruit to go to Iowa Belonging to Rachel & Lizzie Hise.

Nov 6 Cloudy with some Rain last night. threshed the Ballance of our Oats. finished Boxing Fruit hauled Brick in afternoon. got a letter from Benj Bown wrote an answer enclosing 5 Dollars to him. Margaret is up at James Woodruffs going to Stay all night with Rachel & Lizzie. they start home at 5 O'clock tomorrow morning. cloudy and looks like Rain at 7 O'clock PM.

Nov 7 Cloudy & Dark. got up at 4 O'clock AM went to Woodruffs took breakfast afte which I took little Howell and went to the Station Bought 2 tickets through to Iowa City cost 19 20/100 Doll each they got off all Safe hope they may arrive safe. spent the Day up town. Cris & Wesley hauled Brick and worked some on the Roads.

Nov 8 Cloudy & Dull But Pleasant for the time of year. uncovered clay & carted into the Clayhole. in afternoon I went Down to John Rakestraws new House. engaged a load of corn of Budd Forker.

Nov 9 Cloudy & Pleasant. Wesley & Cris hauled the logs off our clearing in forenoon. in afternoon Cris Drained the Damm so that we can get Dirt to fill it up Right. I tried to get a Settlement out of Old Bob Moore But failed am going to try it again on monday morning. Benj Bown is here from Cincinnati is going to stay all night glad of it.

Nov 10 Clear & Pleasant Indian Sumer. went up & got the morning Papers after reading them through Mr Bown Started on a Stroll over to his old Farm and from there to Richard Ramsden. Joel McMillen accidently shot his Son Arthur through the Foot fortunately it is but a Slight wound across the instep. John Marshall came to look at a cow to Buy for his Brother William. William Margaret Sis Emma & I all walked up to Marius Robinsons and spent the afternoon very agreeably.

Nov 11 Clear & Pleasant. settled with Bob Moore he is to pay me in Brick 14 Dollars and 35 cents. spent a good Part of the Day with Mr Bown in evening he & I went to John Gordons had a glourious visit Returned about 10 O'clock. Paid John Young a Dollar I owed him for seed wheat.

Nov 12 Clear with Big frost to Day. Cris & Wesley are Building our Dam in the woods. I spent most of the forenoon with them. Cousin Edward Robinson & Daughter called and took Diner with us the first time he & she was ever here. he lives in Palmyra Portage Co O. Benj Bown started home at 5 O'clock PM. Sold our spring Colt to Gotlip Martins for 30 Dollars he Does not Pay Down but Pays interest.

Nov 13 Clear & very Pleasant. the Boys are still working on the Dam. I spent most of the Day up Town. Bought 28 lb of good Butter for 12 cts per lb. Margaret & I spent the evening at Joel & Sarahs.

Nov 14 Cloudy but still Pleasant. finished our Dam to Day made a good job of it. in afternoon we gathered up all our Brickyard Boards and stuck them up complete there is a large pile of them.

Nov 15 Cloudy & wet. Cris & I Put in a Pair of Bars in the line fence Between Josph Ball and I. Wesley hauled 63 1/2 Bushels of Oats from Bennetts I Bought it of Jacob Coy. in afternoon we commenced threshing our wheat. snowed a little. took Emma over to Lydias to sett up with Lizzie Hively who is very sick with the fever.

Nov 16 Cloudy & cold with some little snow on the ground. went over and brot Emma home Lizzie is no better. threshed wheat until noon. in afternoon the boys cleaned it up 23 1/2 Bushels. I spent the afternoon up Town. am going to Lydias to see how they are. (9 O'clock to Dark Did not go).

Nov 17 Cloudy with ground covered with snow. Put on a new suit of clothes this morning Designed for every Day wear. at 8 O'clock went up to Town and got the morning Paper. coming Back stopped into Chessmans. while there was sent for as a stranger had arrived in my absence and on coming home who should I see But William Lightfoot an Old friend and one above all Others I was Delighted to see. we spent good Part of the Day talking. Samuel Myers called out too and we had a fine time. in evening Margaret & I are going over to Lydias to Stay all night.

Nov 18 Clear & Pleasant. Returned at Day break found our folks all in Bed. soon made a fire & Routed them up. finished threshing our wheat. fine weather now. took Mrs Post Down to Lydias.

Nov 19 Cloudy & Pleasant. sold some Brick. got 8 bushels of winter Apples. shod Jerry in afternoon. Cris and Wesley is Digging at the Ice House.

Nov 20 Cloudy & Pleasant fall weather. sold some Brick. Shod Jerry. Wesley & Cris is still Digging. Sis & I are going Down to sett up with Lizzie.

Nov 21 Cloudy & warm. Cris & Wesley hauled Brick in forenoon. in afternoon Dug at the Ice house. I hauled 2 loads of Sand. quite Pleasant for time of year.

Nov 22 Cloudy & Pleasant to Day. we finished Digging out the Ice house. commenced Raining moderately about 5 O'clock PM. I am going over to Fred Smiths to night.

Nov 23 Cloudy some colder and very windy. Blacksmithed most of the Day. got a pump log and Bored it want to put it in as soon as Possible. quite cold at sundown. I have not been up town to hear the news to Day first Day I have missed for some time. Sis is at Aunt Unos in Egypt.

Nov 24 Cloudy with a little snow continued snowing all Day. worked some at my Pump. looks quite like winter our Doors. no one called on us to Day. Ike Taylor called in evening.

Nov 25 Cloudy & snowing. Blacksmithed all Day. Shod Mike & worked at my Cistern Pump. Cris & Wesley hauled some Boards from Strattons Mill.

Nov 26 Cloudy & warm. finished the cistern Pump Dont like it much. the Boys hauled in all our Corn fodder. I Paid the Estate of Henry Mall 228 63/100 Doll glad I could Do it. Bought some Sole Leather. warm at Dark.

Nov 27 Cloudy with a very little Rain. Butchered 4 of our hogs. hauled 1000 Brick to the Salem Bank. I 1/2 soled one of my Boots.

Nov 28 Cloudy & cool. Wesley hauled wood & Cris split Rails. I cut up & salted our Pork. felt Drowsey to night sett up at Lydias last night. Rained a little to Day.

Nov 29 Cloudy & warm. Cris & I walled up the Ice House. Wesley hauled wood.

Nov 30 Cloudy & colder. Cris & I worked at the Ice house. got it walled up to the top of the ground. went to town in afternoon. Drawed 20 Dollars of Alfred Wright. Paid Doc Hewett 5 Walker 7 85/100 & Theo Brady 5 Dollars. freezing some to night.

Dec 1 Cloudy & Snowing at sunrise. got up in good time But sat about the House all Day. Jesse Hise called out in evening Settled with Cris Kineman. thawed a little in afternoon. Sis is Down to Joels going to stay all night.

Dec 2 Cloudy & cold. Cris is cutting wood & Wesley is hauling wood I Doing schores.

Dec 3 Cloudy & cold. Cris is cutting wood & wesley is hauling. I made Patterns for sled soles.

Dec 4 Clear & cool. Put our apples in the cellar. went to Loren Webbs to Buy his Pork Did not like. from there I went to Father Goulbourns. Bought Obediah Campbells gave him 3 3/8 for it.

Dec 5 Clear & warm thawed considerable to Day. I cut some axe handle timber helped Wesley hauld a load of Brick. Obadiah Campbell brot the Pork it weighed 701 Pound & cost 23 65/100 Doll. spent most of the afternoon up Town. Cloudy at sundown.

Dec 6 Cloudy & muddy this morning but cleared off and is very Pleasant. cut up and salted my Pork. finished the Brick work of Ice House. Wesley & Aaron hauled Paving Brick to Pows. clear & warm at sunsett.

Dec 7 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. hewed timber and Framed at my Ice House got it nearly Framed. was not up Town to Day.

Dec 8 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. worked at my Ice house all Day. Deborah Smith & her Brother Horace visited us to Day Pleasant to have them. Margaret & I spent the evening at Joels Mother McMillen is very poorly

Dec 9 Clear & Cloudy at intervals But very Pleasant all Day. Cris & Wesley is setting the posts for our front fence the holes has Been Dug 2 years. I worked at the Ice house. got a letter from Brother Jacob.

Dec 10 Clear & warm all Day as Pleasant as May. worked on our Ice House. no war news to Day. nothing to Record except that I wrote Jacob F Hise a letter.

Dec 11 Cloudy & cold Rained and Blowed hard last night. making fence to Day. Pleasant to work.

Dec 12 Clear & cold ground froze hard But thawed in the Sunshine. worked some at my fence Repaired Harness 1/2 soled my Boots etc etc. Margaret spent the Day up Town.

Dec 13 Clear & cool ground froze some but very Pleasant in the Sun shine. worked at our front fence. got a letter from Joseph Ball.

Dec 14 Clear and weather about the Same. worked all Day on the fence. Sis & Emma is Down at Joels going to sett up with Mother McMillen.

Dec 15 Clear & cool. Margaret & I visited at J F Dickinsons had a Pleasant time. Sun shone very Pleasant all Day. got home at 8 O'clock.

Dec 16 Clear & as Pleasant as can be. finished our Picket fence at noon. in afternoon am Bracing with iron our Door yard fence. got a letter from Benj Bown & one from Tip Dickinson the latter is a member of Lanes Brigade Kansas.

Dec 17 Clear & as Pleasant Indian Sumer as can be. graded in front of our House to Day. Cris is chopping Wesley is haulingwood. we have now had about 2 weeks of as Pleasant weather as could be wished. the Roads are getting Dusty no frost in the ground.

Dec 19 Clear & a little Hazy at times. Cris & I Dug clay in afternoon. I Settled with the Bulding Committe of Presbyterian Church (very Satisfactorley) Twing Brooks & Mr Maxwell. some like Rain to night. Wesley is at a wood chopping.

Dec 20 Cloudy & colder. Cris Dug Clay Wesley & I made Racks in Barn yard to feed the Cattle in. Drew 32 10/100 Doll of School Committee for Brick. Bought 7 1/4 Bushels of Corn of Jimmie Bingham gave him 40 cents per Bushel for it. snowed a very little ground is frozen some at sunsett.

Dec 21 Cloudy & cold. went to Lisbon & Paid 1/2 my Tax 29 24/100 Doll. in afternoon went up town Saw John Gordon he has had a catarack on his hand & looks considerable worse for wear. went at night to see a Magician Perform in the Town Hall only middling good one. ground froze hard to night.

Dec 22 Cloudy & a little cooler. commenced Raining & Freezing and kept at it all Day increasing as night Drew near. I spent most of the Day with Johua Davis at his house & on his Farm. got a Priveledge of cutting Brick wood am to cut all off clear and cut the old logs Ready to Roll. got home in afterpart of the Day. the Presbyterian Meeting House as Dedicated to Day I had an invitation to attend But Declined.

Dec 23 Cloudy & cool ground covered with ice. Cris & I Dug clay until noon when it commenced snowing and we were forced to quit. stormed hard all the afternoon now looks winter indeed. Pity the Poor Soldier.

Dec 24 Cloudy & cold not much snow. Cris is chopping wood Wesley is hauling.

Dec 25 Cloudy & cool with some more snow. shod John and hitched him to the Sleigh & sis & I went Down to Joshua Davis. Sleighing Poor Roads too Rough. took Diner with Ezra Wait he has an appointment in the Army he is Master of Transportation in Shermans Brigade and expects to leave for Kentucky tomorrow.

Dec 26 Cloudy and some warmer looks like Rain. spent most of the Day up Town. Wait started for Louisville this Evening. warm & muddy frost will soon be out the snow is all gone.

Dec 27 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard. Cris & Wesley is Both chopping. I spent the Day up Town Drew 30 Dollars of Alfre Wright Paid Cris ten Dollars and Wesley 5 Dollars.

Dec 28 Clear & cool ground froze hard. Cris & WEsley is chopping I Done some

schores up Town. Margaret is up at Sister Lizzies her Son Willie is sick with Sore throat is quite Bad. I have just finished a letter to Wm H H Dickinson he is in the Army in Kansas.

Dec 29 Cloudy and some warmer. went to Town early met Margaret coming home. Willie is quite Poorly. made a Basket to Day the First I ever made.

Dec 30 Clear & cool. Don Hewett is Driving our Team to Day Cris & Wesley are both chopping. Margaret is up to Sis Wait again to night Willie is very Bad.

Dec 31 Cloudy & cool. got up early had Breakfast before sunup after which I started to Town met Margaret coming home. Willie is no Better no Prospect of getting well I am Disconsolate in consequence. tried to work at something to cheer me up but could not. spent a part of the evening with Willie left him at 8 O'clock Sitting on his Mothers lap Supposed to be Dying.

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Jan 1 Cloudy and very windy But not cold Sun shone very Pleasantly all Day. went to Town about 9 O'clock but learned on the way that little Willie was Dead having Died at 9 O'clock last night about an hour after I left. he was an uncommon Bright Child for one of his age (4 years). I was Passionately fond of him we liked others company very much and I have had no harder struggle to give any one up. there will always be a Bright spot in the Path where he & I Played on the Road through life. Peace to thee Willie Thou hast By thy early Departure escaped a world of Trouble. I will not therefor murmer.

Jan 2 Cloudy & cold But very Pleasant winter weather. can Do but little to Day. attended the Funeral of little Willie he was by far the Prettiest Corpse I ever saw. he was beautifully Dressed and his coffin lined & cushioned with white Satin (he Deserved it all). it was a sad Duty to consign one so lovely to the grave But alas Death Pays no Respect to worth claims all as his legal Prey and we must (however Reluctant) Submit to his Demands. Received a letter from Mr Benj Bown of Cincinnatti Ohio full of good news which cheered my Drooping Spirits. came home before Dark.

Jan 3 Cloudy with weather much the Same. Wesley & Cris is Chopping. I spent the Day up Town Bought 10 1/2 Bushels of corn Paid 40 cents per bushel for it. about noon the atmosphere commenced growing Damp and about 4 O'clock PM commenced snowing and at Bedtime is still at it. Brother in Law Ezra Wait Starts for Kentucky at 5 O'clock he is Master of Transportation in Shermans Brigade.

Jan 4 Cloudy with considerable Snow on the ground. worked about home all Day. is cold. Repaired our Harness. Lizzie Dickinson called took supper with us. I Paid her 3 Dollars I owed her Father for Apples got this Fall

Jan 5 Clear & cold thawed none Dust & snow mixed together. went up Town and got my paper But it had no news in it. was up to Sister Lizzies her other little Boy is Poorly but I Do hope not Bad But she is of course very uneasy.

Jan 6 Cloudy & cold. Butchered 4 more hogs to Day the last we have to Kill this Fall. I spent the forenoon up Town. in afternoon I cut up our Pork. too cold to snow. Paid Jacob Coy ten Dollars for Oats.

Jan 7 Cloudy & cold. Cris & Theodore Brady are chopping wood. Wesley & I went out to Sharp & Kings & brot home an old Sled. went to mill got a Barrel of Salt cost 2 40/100 Dol. Bought 15 bushels of coal of Oscar Tabor cost 6 cents per bushel. J F Dickinson is here on a visit.

Jan 8 Cloudy & some warmer. spent some of the Day up Town But no war news. at noon took J F Dickinson up Town he is going to visit somewhere up there I Did not ask him where. Bought Theodore Brady a new axe cost 1 50/100 Doll. snowed very fast at 4

O'clock but at Dark it is Raining. I spent the evening at Joels.

Jan 9 Cloudy & warm Foggy and looks like the snow might all Disappear shortly. got up late this morning am writing before breakfast. Put a new tongue in my Sled. made a tongue for my wagon.

Jan 10 Cloudy & warm Roads muddy. spent most of the Day up town. Settled with Geo Street he owed me 188 75/100 Doll gave me his note 60 Days after Date. Margaret is visiting Down to Father Goulbourns I went Down after her took supper with them and am jotting it Down after I came Back. 2 funerals in Salem to Day from Diptheria it is now very Bad in the neighborhood.

Jan 11 Cloudy & cold got up early took the 7 O'clock Train and went Down to NewwaterFord to see Jesse C Baker. he did not live there But a Middleton. I walked out there to see him wanted to trade him my land at Columbiana for some Property he owns in Salem but could not Do it. walked from there to Columbiana a Distance of 4 1/2 miles. no cars was there and not wanting to tarry I walked on home where I arrived a little after noon. commenced to grow warm toward evening and at Bedtime is getting quite muddy. Mrs Greiner Buried to Day.

Jan 12 Cloudy & foggy Rained a real Aprilshower. Margaret & I went to John Gordons visiting. J F Dickinson & Lizzie met us there had a very Pleasant visit. Started home at 7 O'clock at which time it ws freezing having turned cold in afternoon. found all well.

Jan 13 Cloudy windy & cold. ground froze up this morning. spent the Day up town. the Boys are chopping wood. I settled with Doc Spear he owed me Eighty four Dollars gave me his Due Bill for it. Paid Sarah Galbreath 4 Dollars owe her one yet.

Jan 14 Cloudy & cold cleared off and sun shone Pleasant. helped split wood in forenoon. in afternoon worked at a wheelbarrow making one for Wm Patrick.

Jan 15 Cloudy & warmer Rains most of the forenoon. spent forenoon up Town collecting money got a little. intended to start to Point Pleasant But got belated and shall now Defer it until 12 O'clock to night. Aaron Henshilwood is going Back to the Army and Cris & I are going with him just to see the Boys of the 11th Regiment who are in winter quarters at Pt Pleasant. Wesley Harperk nocked off to Day I owed him 32 Dollars.

Jan 16 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard. Did not go as intended heard the 11th Regiment had gone to Romney Va. worked at my wheelbarrow this afternoon. Margaret spent the afternoon up at Sister Lizzies her only child is Down with Diptheria he is not very Bad yet But is Dangerous.

Jan 17 Cloudy & cool ground froze hard. Paid Wesley Harper 15 75/100 Doll Paid Cris Kineman 9 Dollars. he & Aaron Henshilwood Started to Point Pleasant Aaron goes Back to the Army Cris is going to visit only. worked at my wheelbarrow got it nearly Done.

commenced thawing about 5 O'clock and at Dark is quite warm. Margaret has gone to stay with Sister Lizzie her last little Boy is still Dangerously ill.

Jan 18 Cloudy and Raining at Daylight wet most of the Day. I worked in the shop most of the Day. Bought some Flaxseed Oil Painted my wheelbarrow. Caleb Martin Paid me 6 42/100 Doll he has owed me 6 or 7 years.

Jan 19 Cloudy & warm foggy all Day. made myself a shavingBox. wrote a letter to Benj Bown of Cincinnati.

Jan 20 Cloudy warm & muddy Rained hard last night. Emma started to school this morning. I cut ice and floated it off our Dam too much mud on it want it out of the way. turning colder at Dark.

Jan 21 Cloudy & colder froze up again this morning. worked some in the shop. moderated a little. sis & Emma all went Down to Egypt. in afternoon went up to see little Otis Wait who is sick with Diptheria found him much worse. Margaret & Aunt Una (my sister) was there. Margaret & I are going to stay all night.

Jan 22 Cloudy & cool Roads good. was with Little Otis all Day he is very Bad cannot get well.

Jan 23 Cloudy & weather very Pleasant. Margaret & I was with little Otis all night left him just alive at 5 O'clock this morning. was in again at 8 O'clock when he had Revived a little and actually seemed a little better. it would seem like one Rising from the Dead for him to Recover. was Down to Franklin Square to Buy corn. the man I Bought of (John Clapsaddle is Broken up). I Bought 2 hundred Bushels of Emon Fawcett gave 40 cents Per Bushel for it.

Jan 24 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. went up to Sis Waits this morning learned that her little Son Otis Breathed his last at 9 O'clock last night she has now no children left. little Willie & Otis the two Pets sleep their last sleep. their Father is absent in Kentucky and will know nothing of it for a week to come. how hard it is But cannot be helped.

Jan 25 Cloudy with a little snow on the ground. Theodore went Down to Emon Fawcetts for a load of corn I Bought 200 Bushels of him. I shod Kate all around. in afternoon attended the Funeral of little Otis. stormed considerable about 3 O'clock Roads excellent. Bought 12 bushels of Oats of Elias Elkins gave him 22 cents per bu.

Jan 26 Clear & sun shone Pleasant all Day thawed but little. wrote a letter to Ezra G Wait. Sat about the House most of the Day.

Jan 27 Cloudy & cold. Theodore hauled corn to Day. William Elkins of Philadelphia(a cousin) called a few minutes to see us. loaded 2000 Brick for John Rakestraw got them of

Robt Moore.

Jan 28 Cloudy & wet Rained all Day. finished my wheel barrow Done but little else. trees are covered with ice. growed some warmer toward night. at Bed time is still Raining.

Jan 29 Cloudy warm & wet still Raining at Daylight snow all gone are from appearances going to have a Break up. Margaret & I took Diner at Thomas Sharps. Benjamin & Aaron Antrim with their Families were there. it was intended a sort of 1/2 celebration of Paines Birth Day. snowed before night is some colder at Dark.

Jan 30 Cloudy & colder ground froze some. Theodore is oiling our Harness. I spent most of the Day up Town. Bought 15 bushels of Oats cost 20 cents per bushel.

Jan 31 Clear & sun shone Pleasant all Day thawed a little. spent the Day up town no war news.

Feb 1 Clear & cold thawed a little where the Sun Shone. spent the forenoon up Town. in afternoon took Emma Down to McCrackens to see about getting the School got But little encouragement.

Feb 2 Clear & Pleasant thawed a little in the Sun cold air in the north. hired Allen Fairfax to chop wood 45 cents per cord and I cord it as we haul it. Eltina & Annie Sharpnack took Diner with us. Theodore is up at Smithfield Station. Sis Does the feeding in his absence.

Feb 3 Cloudy & cool. Theodore is cutting stove wood for Mother Hise. I spent most of the Day in town. Sis & Emma are Both going to school now. commenced Snowing about Dark and at Bedtime is snowing fast.

Feb 4 Cloudy & cool. Theodore & I cut Sawlogs to Day after which we hitched Knelly to the Sleigh she went pretty well jumped a little at the Start. tolerable good Sleighing. got a letter from Ezra Wait he is still at Bardstown Ky. Margaret has sore throat.

Feb 5 Clear & Pleasant. Theodore & I hauled in 21 Saw logs. snow melted very fast very little snow left at Dark.

Feb 6 Clear & warm snow all gone & Raining. David Fawcett Died at 10 O'clock last night he has been ailing for several years. he was Present when my Father Died having just called in to see him found him so much worse that he Stayed until the vital spark was extinguished. I went this afternoon over to see the School Directors (in what is known as the Bozzart District) to engage the school for Emma got the Promise of it as far as they could Promise it at Present. got Back about Dark mudy walking am some tired. Margaret throat is still getting Better.

Feb 7 Cloudy & cold ground froze sollid again this morning. took up 37 peices of our meat & hung it up to smoke. got word that Archibald Henshillwood was found Dead in his Bed this morning went to Bed last night as well as usual. Margaret is up at Sis Waits this afternoon. I spent the evening at Sarahs she is sick with fever.

Feb 8 Cloudy & cold Roads as good as can be. Theodore hauled wood I helped him in forenoon. in afternoon I loafed up Town Paid Jim Bennett 5 75/100 Doll for 11 1/2 Bushels of Rye. Paid Jacob Coy 5 37/100 Doll Ballance I owed him for Oats. news of another Battle & Union Victory at Fort Henry on the Tennessee River 60 miles above its confluence with the Ohio.

Feb 9 Cloudy windy & cold Delightful winter weather. Charley Deetrick called in a short time he hails from Alliance.

Feb 10 Cloudy & cold. Theodore & I cut Ice in forenoon. in afternoon hauled in 7 loads of Ice. I spent the evening up Town. very Pleasant winter weather.

Feb 11 Cloudy & cold. cut & hauled Ice in forenoon got Done. spent the afternoon up Town & the evening at Chessmans in company with Joshua & Rachel Davis. snowed and Blowed considerable is now pretty good sleighing at 10 O'clock at night. may be all gone by morning our winter is so changable. got one fresh Cow.

Feb 12 Cloudy with 2 inches of Snow. Theodore hauled sawdust for our Ice House. snow melted fast to Day. Brot a little Boy home name John Sheppard.

Feb 13 Cloudy & warmer with considerable snow this morning. Sold our fresh Co to Twing Brooks for 22 Dollars. Robt French the last of the old Pioneers of Salem Died last night. Wm Johnson & Asa Webb also Died last night. Theodore & I hauled Brick in afternoon to H P Adams. snow melted considerable and is muddy.

Feb 14 Clear & cold. Hauled Saw logs in afternoon. I went to Town. toward night snow melted fast.

Feb 15 Cloudy with considerable more snow. hauled all the Ballance of our Saw logs to Day & hauled up 4 long hewed logs from "Old Saw Mill" of which I intend making a walk from the House to the Barn. Sold John (Horse) that I Bought of Moses Townsend 2 years ago got But 95 Dollars for him should have had more but could not get it. I helped put him on the Cars.

Feb 16 Clear & cold fine Sleighing. spent the Day at Home every Body seems to have Done likewise as very few have Passed up or Down the Road to Day.

Feb 17 Cloudy & warm. Theodore & I hauled our Stone Sink from Town. Theodore hauled the Ballance of Our corn. Rained a little in afternoon. in evening I attended a lecture at Calvin Moores. Cris Returned.

Feb 18 Clear & warm all Day. Theodore hauled wood from Fair ground I corded it up. great Rejoicing in Town in consequence of the Capture By the Federal Troops of Fort Donelson with 15000 troops. Firing of Commons marching etc etc. Roads sloppy but not Deep. attend another Lecture at Calvins. freezing a little at sundown.

Feb 19 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard again. commenced Raining about 10 O'clock and is Raining hard as I write about 9 O'clock PM.

Feb 20 Cloudy & cold covered with snow. I commenced a small Pair of Bed Steads for Johnny to sleep on. Theodore hauled wood in afternoon.

Feb 21 Cloudy & cool. Theodore hauled wood I spent a good Part of the Day up Town. got a Pair of new Boots fit complete. Bought a new axe cost 1 Dollar. Lewis Townsends wife Burried to Day. Bought 20 Bushels of Rye & 1 Hundred Bushels of Oats for the former I Pay 40 cents per bushel the latter 20 cents. snowing a little at Dark Roads excellent.

Feb 22 Cloudy & cool. Theodore hauled wood. David Kelty brot 60 Bushels of Oats. turned warmer & thawed fast Roads quite sloppy at Dark. Mary Hick is here going to Stay all night.

Feb 23 Cloudy & warm thawed all night. Margaret & I visited at Una Sharpnacks. John Gordon & his Lady visited with us got home about Dark. Roads very muddy. wrote a letter to George Hise.

Feb 24 Cloudy & colder very windyall Day. too Stormy to work out Doors. I worked in the Shop. ground froze some and some snow fell.

Feb 25 Clear at Sunrise But soon clouded up Did not thaw much all Day. Calvin Ulery Brot me 20 Bushels of Rye. I Paid him 40 cents a Bushel. Spent most of the Day in Town. Roads are Rough. Emma has a Sore throat to Day.

Feb 26 Cloudy & cool a very little Snow fell last night. turned warm & thawed considerable. Spent the Day up Town. no war news to Day.

Feb 27 Clear with cold northwest wind thawed in the Sun But Froze in the shade. Hauling & Cris is splitting wood I corded up Some & loaded some Brick. I sell a few this time of year for Sugar Furnaces.

Feb 28 Clear & cold at Daylight wind blowed very cold from the northwest all Day the coldest it has seemed this winter. I Articled with Eliza Jane Waterworth to clear off about ten acres of her wood land for the wood Sugar trees excepted. the time for clearing it is Rather Short. I expressed to her my Doubts about getting it Done that soon But I will try. I left the Article with her having entire confidence in her honesty. got a letter from Ezra

G Wait he is at Bardstown yet & is well.

Mar 1 Clear & cold at Sunrise But moderated and in afternoon was quite Pleasant. I Ranked up wood in afternoon. Paid out considerable money to wood choppers. Roads are Pretty good.

Mar 2 Cloudy & cool. had consideable good Company to Day. Marius & Gertrude Robinson J F & Elizabeth Dickinson Geo & Elizabeth Gordon. thawed a very little is Pleasant winter weather. Roads are good.

Mar 3 Cloudy warmer & wet Rained considerable in fore part of the Day. I worked in the Shop Repaired our cutting Box Buggy and Done something at my Bedstead that I have on hand. quit Raining about 10 O'clock & Theodore hauled Jo Thomas 1/2 cord of Dry Hickory wood for which he Paid me one Dollar. commenced snowing about 4 O'clock and is still at it as I write at 8 O'clock.

Mar 4 Cloudy & cool still snowing a little. Cris & Theodore hauled Rails. I Done a little work in the Shop. Pretty fair Sleighing.

Mar 5 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. the Boys finished hauling Rails to Day. Charles Furgeson commenced Sawing Cooper stuff for me to Day. Margaret visited Sis Wait & Mother Hise. snowed a little.

Mar 6 Clear & Pleasant quite cold in morning. Uncle Silas came this morning he & I split Staves. Cris & Theodore cut wood. thawed in middle of the Day.

Mar 7 Cloudy & partially clear at times thawed considerable. Cris & Theodore chopped wood I Done some shores about town. Uncle is not here to Day he is making Sugar troughs.

Mar 8 Clear and Pleasant. Uncle Silas came on this morning & he & I made Staves. Cris & Theodore chopped wood. Settled up with the Presbyterians and Sqared all off gave them a Receipt in full. Paid Charles Furgeson five Dollars & Theodore a like sum. thawed considerable to Day. frost is coming out moderately. got a letter from Joseph Ball of Iowa. spent the evening up Town.

Mar 9 Clear & warm. lost a 3 Old Heiffer last night Suppose one of the Cows Killed her. she was a frail creature at best and always has been. walked down to Strattons Saw Mill made Bargain with Joel Stratton to haul & Saw all my logs that we are getting on Mrs Watterworths land. he is to have 55 cents per hundred feet for Doing it. George & Alfred Shets visited us this afternoon the latter still lives in Ashland Ohio. cloudy and looks like Rain at sunsett. Ezra G Wait Returned home last night on a short Furlough.

Mar 10 Cloudy & wet Rained some through the Day. Done a little Smithing But made no staves to Day. William Montgomery Died.

Mar 11 Clear & Delightful weather sugar water runs well to Day. made staves Cris chopped wood & Hauled. Roads very muddy.

Mar 12 Cloudy with some snow this morning but soon melted off. made Staves to Day caught up with the sawyers. Roads very muddy. exciting war news to Day (Rebellion is caving in).

Mar 13 Cloudy & clear at intervals frost all out. Roads too Bad to haul corded up some wood. Spent most of the Day in Town. Made no Staves to Day. Roads Dried fast. Wm Montgomery Burried.

Mar 14 Clear most of the Day. Uncle made staves I was busy in Town But accomplished little. Theodore left on yesterday & for what I cannot conceive. weather very Pleasant all Day. Poor Sugar making as yet. got a letter from Joseph Ball.

Mar 15 Cloudy & wet Drizzled Rain most of the Day. hitched Mike to the Buggy & took Emma to New Lisbon to be examined as a teacher But we got there too late and was forced to come Back without the examination. Roads could not well be worse But we got home before Dark.

Mar 16 Cloudy & windy soon commenced Snowing and was verry Disagreeable all Day. Margaret & I had intended to go out to Dickinsons but it Proved too Stormy and we rather reluctantly stayed at Home. I made John a small cart to amuse him. no one called on us to Day gloomy in the Extreme. I wrote a letter Sam Barnaby of Mercer Co Ohio. Old John Fawcett Burried to Day.

Mar 17 Clody with 2 inches of Snow on the ground. Roads very Bad. got a Barrel of Carbon Oil cost 25 cents a gallon. Bought 2 new wash tubs of J J Boone cost 75 cents each Pay it in Brick. I spent the Day up Town too Disagreeable under foot to any kind of out Door work. Philip Hermans wife is Burried to Day. Joseph Saxons youngest child Died last night. Old Wm Chatenes whos is near one hundred years of age Died to Day he is a native of England.

Mar 18 Cloudy but some warmer Sugar water Ran well to Day. Paid Wesley Harper off 17 32/100 Doll. took Emma Down to See the School Directors she will get the School Provided she gets a Certificate we Did not get home until 9 O'clock PM. Dark & very muddy. Warner Chessmans wife Died at 10 O'clock to Day of Diptheria Young was her Phisician. another of Charles Jobes Children the 5th and last one Died to Day of Diptheria.

Mar 19 Cloudy & cold. Theodore knocked off to Day I Do not nor Do I care what the Devil is the matter with him he can Slide when & where he likes. Spent the forenoon up Town. in afternoon I walked Down to Adgate Moores to get his son John to work for me he cannot come for a few Days yet. Margret & Sis walked over to grandfather

Goulbourns. I went after them toward evening with Buggy But met them on the way. Hollie Gee came home with them. Raining at 8 O'clock.

Mar 20 Cloudy & Dull Did not freeze any last night. Sold Twing Brooks 8 chickens for one Dollar. Cris & I hauled Brick in afternoon. Rained at 5 O'clock and at 8 O'clock the wind is blowing hard.

Mar 21 Cloudy warm & wet having Rained some last night. feel Dull this morning. Jo Post came to help us to Day he & Cris hauled some Brick. I throwed a note in Bank for one Hundred Dollars Due in 12 Days. Paid Theodore Brady 66 05/100 Dollars. Margaret & John was up to see Grandmother & Lizzie this afternoon. I Bought 1/2 Bushel of Timothy Seed cost $1.12 1/2 cts. Hannah Trago is here to night she & Emma is going to Lisbon tomorrow. Paid Cris 20 Dollars gave Emma 3 Dollars to Pay Possible Contingent expenses.

Mar 22 Cloudy & Dull with a little Snow. Emma & Hannah Started early to Lisbon I went with them as far as Strattons Mill saw them across the Rail Road & creek. I spent the Day up Town. Paid out some money to my wood choppers. Emma & Hannah got Back before night Both Slipped up on getting certificates. to me this is marvelous as they are both (especially the latter) excellent Schollars.

Mar 23 Cloudy & Dull with one inch of Snow. have considerable Running about to Do to Day. took my walk and all for nothing hunting chickens to Buy & found none. spent the evening at Joels.

Mar 24 Cloudy & Dull snowed and melted all Day. Roads as Bad as can be. worked at a Pump. in afternoon the Boys are getting wood.

Mar 25 Clear & cold ground froze But thawed some through the Day. Traded my 9 1/2 Acre lot at Columbiana to James Estell for Property in Salem gave him a Cow to Boot. called Down to see Isaac Norris Sarah Millers Brother from Illinois.

Mar 26 Clear & warm. Spent the forepart of the Day in Town. made James W Estill a Deed for the land traded him yesterday & he gave me one for the Property I got of him. In afternoon Isaac Noris of Illinois his Sister Sarah McMillen Mother McMillen & Sister Phebe visited us. Joseph J Brooks Died to Day.

Mar 27 Clear & very Pleasant. spent most of the Day in Town to but little Purpose. got lots of hands cutting wood. Uncle Silas is splitting staves. mud is Drying up fast. no war news to Day.

Mar 28 Clear and as pleasant as can well be overhead But under foot almost intolerable. Margaret & I Started early and went to J F Dickinsons Sale. Kate had hard work to Pull the Buggy with margaret alone I walked. Bought several articles wood Saw Feather Bed 1 Barrel of vinegar 1 two Horse waggon etc etc. got Back in good time mud Dried up

fast to Day. Joseph J Brooks Burried to Day.

Mar 29 Cloudy and some cooler. Emma & I started early to new Lisbon to have her try once more to get a Certificate. we got there in good time (1/2 Past 8 AM). I Done some Shores about Town while Emma went to the Examination. I Bought her a vail she having forgotten to take one along. at noon I went to the Room also found quite a number of applicants for Certificates a great many to come up to the Standard Emma among the Rest. we soon Started for home. Rained most of the time But in forenoon Snowed fast froze toward night. we arrived about sunsett cold and tired.

Mar 30 Cloudy & wet heavy thunder and Rain in the night. Geo Fleck came out to Day and Papered our large chamber Room gave him one Dollar in silver for the job. finished my Cistern pump and put it in. cut a hole through the stone and Put it over the Top of the Cistern it is a good job. cloudy & warm at Dark and looks like Rain.

Mar 31 Cloudy & cool. Bought one hundred bushels of Oats of Charlie Hayes gave him 22 Dollars in gold & silver for it. Bought 10 1/2 bushels of Oats at Josh Boones gave 25 cents (in Brick) for it.

Apr 1 Clear & Pleasant. I spent the Day in Town. Settled with the gas Co they owed me 163 Dollars & Paid me. I Paid Don Koll 10 42/100 Doll Allen Boyle $10.00 Paid T C Boone 19 Dollars Paid James Bingham 64 Dollars for wood Bought of him one year ago. Sis went Down to help Aunt Uno move got Back early. Jack Webb Paid me one hundred Dollars.

Apr 2 Cloudy & warm windy mud is Drying up Fast. Jo Post & I hauled Brick. got 24 Bushels of corn Oats and Rye chopped together. Doc Jack Webb Paid me the Ballance on the House & lot Bought one year since he came up to the contract to a cent. Joseph Moore commenced work to Day he and ____.

Apr 3 Clear & very Pleasant. helped Uncle Silas make Staves got along well. Cris & John Moore are splitting wood. mud is about Dried up But the Roads are very Rough.

Apr 4 Clear & Pleasant. worked at the Staves got nearly Done. must soon Plow for Oats. Mark Lyons is here to night.

Apr 5 Cloudy and looks like Rain. went over to Enoch McConners to see Kate Bilger who was to be our hired help this Sumer but she has Disappointed us is not coming at all. Paid Mark Lyons 40 Dollars for Emon Fawcett I owed him that amount for corn. Settled with Joseph Holdeman he gave me his two notes one six months after Date for $109 85/100 and one 10 months after Date for 108 Dollars both Drawing interest and Payable at the Bank of Thomas & Greiner. I left them there on Deposit.

Apr 6 Clear & cool. worked some in the Shop. made a nail hook for Sam Chessman. Repaired my one horse wagon etc. Emma went to Marius Robinsons to live & go to

school.

Apr 7 Cloudy & cold. John Moore commenced Plowing for Oats. I finished Riving staves. give a calf to Walker the Butcher & got one given to me by Mother Hise. snowed a little about sunsett.

Apr 8 Cloudy & cool with considerable rain. last night John hauled Uncle Billy a load of coal. Cris split wood. I Paid Thomas Kennett 4 23/100 Doll. Bought a Patent clothes Ringer cost 4 50/100 Dol. Mary Hick came on this morning to work for us. Rained some through the Day. Ike Taylor left to Day for Illinois.

Apr 9 Cloudy with cool wind from northwest. John hauled wood until noon. in afternoon we hauled one load of Brick but it commenced snowing very fast & we quit & came home. Stirring news to Day from the seat of war. Island No 10 with all its army stores & thousands of Prisoners fell into the hands of the Federal Army.

Apr 10 Clear and warm with 2 inches of Snow Down. I sowed my grass seed on it. before noon the snow is all gone. measured and took account of wood chopped by Allen Fairfax Fred Thompson Tom Adams & G M Cary. Paid Tom Adams 5 35/100 Doll. Saw & talked some time with Benj Bown of Cincinnatti he is on his way East to buy Fruits & Sugar in which he is a heavy Dealer.

Apr 11 Clear & warm. Sold my Horse Jerry to Allen B Forker for 65 Dollars he is to Pay Philip Evans what I owe him (and the Ballance I am to wait on him for. Margaret & I spent the evening at Marius Robinsons. news of another great Battle at Pittsburgh landing on the Tennessee River.

Apr 12 Clear But Rather cool. spent most of the Day up Town. sett out some cherry & Plumb trees. looks like Rain again. great eagerness for war news to Day. Emma is with us to night.

Apr 13 Cloudy & cool. worked in shop most of the Day. made & ironed my wagon Bed. in evening I went up town & made arrangements with Wm Pidgeon to Drain the Brick Pond tomorrow.

Apr 14 Cloudy & cool. Cris & Jo Post are helping Drain the Pond. I hauled a few Brick with Nellie the first she ever worked by herself. John Moore is Plowing for Oats. J F Dickinson & Lizzie took Diner with us.

Apr 15 Cloudy & windy. got the Pond Drained by noon. Sowed most of our Oats to Day. in afternoon we Burned brush in the Watterworths clearing. got a letter from Tip Dickinsons they are going to Santa Fe New Mexico.

Apr 16 Clear & warm. finished our Oats this morning and Burned Brush the Ballance of the Day got along well. Brot my new clock home that I Bought of Warner Chessman.

Paid out about the last 5 Dollar Bill I had to Day must get some more. got a letter from Brother Jacob.

Apr 17 Cloudy with consideable warm Rain through the Day. Done some work at the yard. in afternoon Cris & I sett out 10 apple trees and Done various little schores about the Door yard. want to right things up some now.

Apr 18 Cloudy & wet. John hauled some Dung in forenoon. in afternoon was too wet. I went to Sells Sawmill and got Boards for wagon Bottom & made wagon bed. in afternoon some of the Boys made fence about the Shop. Dillon Townsend called to see me But I was not at home wanted to pay me some money.

Apr 19 Cloudy & Partially clear at times. hauled some Brick this morning John Hauled Rails. Cris & Jo Burned Brush I spent most of the Day in Town watching for a Horse I want to Buy but he came not. Cornely Townsend Paid me one Hundred Dollars left in with him for me By Dillon Townsend I credited it on Moses Townsends note. gave Dillon a Receipt also. called to see Byron Stanton who has Returned from the Army Sick. read a letter from Dave Woodruff it came by way of Havana Cuba. Thomas Boones Corps arrived from Philadelphia.

Apr 20 Cloudy & cool. spaded up a little garden & Planted some Peas. wrote 2 sheets full to Dave Woodruff. went up to Marius Robinsons to take a letter to Emma. Rained a little most of the afternoon. Thomas Boone was Burried at 1/2 past 2 O'clock to Day a large Funeral.

Apr 21 Cloudy & wet Rained most of the night. I omitted to say in the Proper place that I Bought 49 gallons of Honey Syrup on Saturday last cost 59 cents per gal.

Apr 22 Cloudy & wet Rained all Day. we worked in the shop and Done what we could. got 2 more fresh cows to Day. sun sett clear. Mark Lyons Returned from East of the mountains.

Apr 23 Cloudy & cold with considerable Frost. we all worked in the clearing making fence & chopping. Robert Batten Paid me 50 Dollars. Sold some Brick etc etc. Mark Lyons commenced work to Day.

Apr 24 Clear & cool ground froze some. all in the clearing again to Day finished our fence. Caleb Martin Brot me 25 bushel ears of corn gave him 40 cents per Bushel of Shelled corn.

Apr 25 Clear & cold ground froze considerable. worked at the yard to Day want to get Ready to make Brick as soon as the weather is fit. Mark hauled Dung in Potatoes Patch. sun shone very warm.

Apr 26 Clear & very Pleasant with some frost this morning. spent about all Day trying to

Buy a Horse but Bought none. Mark & Jo Post planted some Potatoes. Cris & John worked on the yard.

Apr 27 Clear & Pleasant. finished 2 new hopper wheelbarrows. Charles Garrigues was out to sell me a horse but he is not the kind I want to Buy. Emma Walker is here spending Sunday with us glad to have her with us. she is so full of like is good company.

Apr 28 Cloudy & warm sun shone good part of the forenoon but in afternoon clouded up and Rained. Cris & John Dug some blue clay Mark & Jo hauled in hay I hauled some brick. Paid Charlie Hays 24 50/100 Doll for Syrup Paid unkle Billy 3 10/100 Doll. Rained at 4 O'clock.

Apr 29 Cloudy & cool Rain over for Present. hauled wood and Dug clay I hauled Brick. George Fleck is going to commence again Brot his tools out to Day. Bought Margaret a small Spade.

Apr 30 Clear & cool but Pleasant weather to work. Mark commenced Plowing our corn ground some Dug clay. I Bought a horse gave 60 Dollars in Brick (a little more than he is worth). hauled Brick all the afternoon. Bought a Horse of A Ball.

May 1 Cloudy & wet having Rained considerable last night. Bought 47 cedar trees of Ed Bonsall for 5 Dollars to be Paid in Brick. hauled some Brick. Mark Plowed in afternoon. clear & cool at sunsett.

May 2 Cloudy & wet Rained last night. we all went for trees got one load home and sett out By one O'clock then took 2 teams & Brot the Ballance and sett out 4 of them. Paid Geor Fleck 1 Dollar.

May 3 Cloudy & cold. sett out trees & hauled Brick until noon. went and brot another load of trees & sett them out this afternoon. Paid C C Moore 40 Dollars owe him 2 yet. Paid Jo Post 2 Dollars. Emma came out to see us she appears to be happy. Ezra Wait has gone again to the Army he is in Fremonts Division. Able Phillips has Bought Benj Hawleys Spring & the Farquhar House. Jim Seaton is going into the latter.

May 4 Clear & Pleasant. Measured the lot sold to Joshua Webb and wrote the Deed. Spaded some garden and strolled around considerable in afternoon.

May 5 Clear & cool. several of us worked on the yard must get ready to mould soon. I hauled some in afternoon. acknowledged the Deed written yesterday Before Samuel Hardman.

May 6 Clear & cold some cloudy through the Day But no Rain. Cris commenced moulding to Day I worked at a tempering tub until noon. hauled Brick in afternoon. war news is cheering Rebellion about gone up.

May 7 Cloudy & cold. worked on the yard. made a new tub Sold some Brick.

May 8 Clear & cold quite a frost. both moulders at work to Day. got out some good Brick. Paid 75 Dollars on Mrs Eltons note. Bought one Dozen Tumblers cost 1 12/100 Doll.

May 9 Clear & very Pleasant splendid weather for making Brick got out 8000 to Day. Paid Cris 10 Dollars. John & Bill Kineman started for the Army to Day.

May 10 Clear & Pleasant all Day. worked on the yard getting along first rate. Bought a young Horse of Lindley Williams gave him Eighty Dollars for him. sold Abel Philips one hundred thousand Brick.

May 11 Clear & cool no Prospects of Rain. 1/2 soled my Boots shod one of my horses. Cris & I went to hunt Sand found some but too far off. wrote a letter to Amos Gilbert.

May 12 Clear & warm. got up early went over to T E Vickers & got his Son Edgar to assist to Plant corn. Sis & Mary Hick Dropped it for us we got Done By 3 O'clock after which Mark & I went and got a load of Sand. worked our new colt (Dan Quickat) he worked well.

May 13 Cloudy and looks some like Rain. I shod our colt before breakfast. stood well worked all Day on the yard. Mark hauled Sand. Rained about 5 O'clock PM. Bought 173 lb of Sugar cost 8 1/2 cts per lb and one hundred clothes Pins cost 25 cents.

May 14 Cloudy & wet Rained some last night. Mark & 2 of the Boys are hauling leaves & mulching the ever green trees. some are setting Brick some cutting wood etc. I Repaired Joels watter Ram.

May 15 Clear & warm. all hands on the yard again to Day. I am making tempering mills Mark is hauling Sand. Betsy Woods (Robt Woods widow Died at 3 O'clock on yesterday.

May 16 Clear & Pleasant. all hands on the yard. Betsy Wood burried to Day. some cloudy in afternoon but not much Prospect of Rain.

May 17 Clear & warm. worked on the yard until noon. in afternoon Mark & I went out into Goshen township and Brot my waggon & Barrel of vinegar home that I Bought of J F Dickinson.

May 18 Clear & Pleasant. ironed 2 Pair of harness. Amos Aspy has come to work for us glad of it. we have a great deal to Do. looked like Rain and we put up & covered our brick. Just got Done when we had a good Shower with a little Hail.

May 19 Cloudy But little Prospect of Rain. Mark & I cleared off our old log yard for a Potatoe Patch. Paid John Sharpnack 15 40/100 Doll for meat Bot of John Clapsaddle he

had an order for it. engaged one hundred bushels of Oats of Clapsaddle he sent 16 bushels of it this afternoon. cleared off without Rain is cold at sunsett.

May 20 Clear & warmer. got C C Moores Oxen & Plowed our Potatoe Patch got Done about 3 O'clock. took them & his wagon home after which I went to Town. Mark Harrowed the Patch. Rained some.

May 21 Cloudy & wet Rained considerable last night. all hands on the yard setting Brick & Doing whatever can be Done. Mark hauled Rails in afternoon to fence Potatoe Patch.

May 22 Clear & cool Rain over for present. Mark & I fenced the Potatoe Patch before breakfast and Planted it by noon made a good job of. Planted white beans & some sweet corn in afternoon. Mother Hise is here making soap.

May 23 Clear & Pleasant. Mark & I finished Planting to Day. I worked some on the yard all going Right.

May 24 Clear & Pleasant. finished Planting Potatoes at the Barn & in afternoon hauled some brick to the waterworks for Abel Philips.

May 25 Clear & cool with quite a frost Killed Down grape vines and all tender plants. I Done nothing to Day first Day I have been idle for some time. Siste Una visited us to Day glad to have her come. spent the Day quite comfortable.

May 26 Cloudy at sunrise but Does not look much like Rain. Mark & I hauled Brick before breakfast have to in order to keep them going we hauled 10000 to Day. cloudy but not much Prospect of Rain.

May 27 Clear & warm fine Brick weather. Mark & I hauled. clouded up & Rained about 6 O'clock PM. Bought 42 Tomatoe Plants of Sarah McMillen cost 70 cents sett out. exciting war news to Day of Rather an unfavorable character.

May 28 Cloudy & wet having Rained a good part of the night. shod 2 of our horses. all the Hands are setting Brick. cleared off before noon is Drying off fast. Mary Hick went home to see her mother she went on the five O'clock train yesterday. she has a sore hand and cannot work.

May 29 Clear & cool with some frost but not to Do much harm to vegetation. hauled Brick to Day getting along fine. no war news.

May 30 Cloudy at sunrise and at 7 O'clock commenced Raining. all hands sett Brick & Dug clay I Blacksmithed. fine weather for grass.

May 31 Cloudy & Dull with some Rain last night. setting & hauling Brick. Joel McMillen Paid me 3 Hundred Dollars I Paid off a note given to John Whinney for land

Bought to make Brick of. Paid John Strawn ten Dollars & Cris 5.

Jun 1 Cloudy with a little Rain last night. Mr & Mrs Gordon are visiting us glad of it. had a Pleasant time.

Jun 2 Cloudy & wet Rained hard last night. shod Old Kate. all hands sett Brick & cased the Kiln. wet all Day.

Jun 3 Cloudy & wet Rained hard last night. all worked under the sheds at the Brick yard. John Moore enlisted to Day I Paid him ten Dollars.

Jun 4 Cloudy & wet Rained all night. the Boys Rolled logs until noon when we commenced another wall in which to sett & Burn brick. Drizzled Rain most of the Day. Margaret & Lizzie visited Harriet A____ to Day went in the Carriage Drawn by "Old Kate.

Jun 5 Cloudy & Dull. all hands getting our Brick ready to fire. must burn what we have got or we will be out of Brick. Bought a Barometer cost 3 Dollars.

Jun 6 Cloudy but little Rain. made 4000 Brick to Day. sett our Kiln on fire at 7 O'clock AM. Benj Reeps & Mrs. Fisher Both Died this afternoon Both suffered long the latter with consumption.

Jun 7 Cloudy & cold. hauled Brick & Sand all going on Right at Present. John Fisher Died this forenoon But his wife who was Reported Dead on yesterday is yet living.

Jun 8 Clear & cool but no frost to hurt. Amos Aspey has Returned came last evening & brot his sister & a miss Forney with him. the former is quite a good Player of the violin & Melodeon. Ben Reep was Burried at 3 O'clock to Day. I shod Nell & hacked up some Brick. Eliza Hick called out awhile she & Mary have gone to town.

Jun 9 Clear & Pleasant. Mark is working the corn. I hauled Brick. Mrs. Fisher Died at 3 O'clock this morning. Sis got a letter from Uncle Amos Gilbert.

Jun 10 Clear at sunrise But the atmosphere indicates Rain. hauled Brick in forenoon. in afternoon went to New Lisbon as witness got Back at 5 O'clock went for nothing.

Jun 11 Cloudy & Dull with a little Rain last night. Started at 7 O'clock to Lisbon attended the law suit and Returned at 7 O'clock PM. Rained a fine shower about noon.

Jun 12 Clear & cloudy at intervals. Brick Dried well to Day. we hauled out 16000. no Rain.

Jun 13 Clear & warm. our Kiln is about Done. Mark Hauled Brick. I hung a gate to go into Mrs. Watterworths woods. closed our Kiln this evening. Bought me a vest cost 6

75/100.

Jun 14 Clear at sunrise but is cloudy in the west at 7 O'clock & threatens Rain & Rained hard at 8 O'clock. got our Brick all covered. some Dug clay & the Ballance Built wall in which to Burn Brick.

Jun 15 Clear & Pleasant. shuckeled around the Farm until about noon when Margaret Emma Lizzie Dickinson & myselfwent to John Gordons had a feast of Strawberries. left Emma there she is going to stop with them a couple of months. we Returned about 8 in the evening.

Jun 16 Clear & warm very fine weather for making Brick. worked hard on the yard all Day. cannot make Brick fast enough.

Jun 17 Clear & warm. all goes well until about 5 O'clock when a Rain came up so sudden that we could not get our Brick all up and we consequently lost several thousand.

Jun 18 Cloudy & wet Rained most of the Day. we hauled what Brick we could with 2 teams and some of us Built wall around our Kiln.

Jun 19 Cloudy & Dull all Day but no Rain. hauled Brick & Built wall. cleared off about sunsett.

Jun 20 Clear & Pleasant all Day. commenced moulding at noon. clouded up and looks like Rain at sunsett.

Jun 21 Cloudy at Sunrise. Don (our new Horse) Kicked Mark & hurt him Badly (on his right arm). I made finger stalls before breakfast. I helped Jesse Haul Brick we hauled 9600 worked hard to get that much Done.

Jun 22 Cloudy with a little Rain. cut sockets for Willie Waits Tomb Stone. hacked up 8000 Brik. Margaret & Sis went over to see Hollis Gee who is sick. Rains a little at 4 O'clock P.M.

Jun 23 Cloudy & threatens Rain at sunrise. about 7 O'clock commenced Raining and continued all Day. we managed to haul 1200 Brick and one cord of wood. Cris & I sett the Stone to Willie Waits Grave But the Rain fell so fast we were forced to quit before finishing it. Mrs McConnell Burried to Day.

Jun 24 Cloudy & Dull all Day. all hands hauled Brick got along well.

Jun 25 Cloudy with Dense fog that cleared away about 9 O'clock. commenced moulding about 10 O'clock.

Jun 26 Clear & very warm all Day. Done great execution on the yard to Day. I never

was nearer worn out than I am as I write.

Jun 27 Clear & warm. all hands on the yard Doing good business. Margaret & Lizzie went Down to see Magdalene Wilson this afternoon. looks a little like Rain this evening.

Jun 28 Cloudy & warm. we are not molding Brick to Day. we are going to take in all the Dry Brick & some are working the corn some hauling Brick etc etc. I wrote a letter to Ben Bown offering him five hundred DollarsPer Acre for the north corner of his out lot. all hands took in Brick.

Jun 29 Cloudy & threatens Rain. Geo Gordon & Emma Walker Paid us a visit as Did Father & Mother Goulbourn with Aunt Kitty. Rained hard about 3 O'clock PM.

Jun 30 Clear but very wet having Rained more in the night. we hauled Brick & commenced our Second Kiln. commenced moulding at noon. cleared off and is very fine.

Jul 1 Clear & very Pleasant. heard of hard fighting before Richmond Va. but not nothing Decisive save that we are losing quite a number of Officers. Sis is quite Poorly having another attack of Pleurosy she is considerable this evening.

Jul 2 Clear and as Pleasant as can well be. I got up early & made us another Sand Box before breakfast. all went well to Day.

Jul 3 Clear & warm all Day. our hands made 12450 Brick to Day the best Days moulding by hand I ever had Done.

Jul 4 Clear & very warm. all hands are off for Alliance. I hauled 2 loads of Sand. took Diner with Sister Una.

Jul 5 Clear & warm. all hands took in Brick 20000 Dry ones yet out. Paid John Campbell 13 41/100 Doll I had owed him some time.

Jul 6 Clear and warm stuck close to the Shady side all Day. looks some like Rain at sunsett. we went up and covered our Brick they were so Dry that a very little Rain would ruin them.

Jul 7 Clear & warm with no sign of Rain. last night was hot to sleep. I tried the floor but found it little better than the Bed. J F Dickinson is with us glad of it. Rained very hard from North East at about 4 O'clock PM spoiled some Brick.

Jul 8 Cloudy & Dull Rained some in the night. shod some of my Horses. all hands setting Brick.

Jul 9 Cloudy with some Rain alst night. some hauled wood some Brick and the Ballance sett Brick. Rained most of the afternoon.

Jul 10 Cloudy & wet Rained all night. some sett Brick and the Ballance finished hauling. we now have no Brick to sett had not quite enough to finish the Tower.

Jul 11 Cloudy with some Prospects of clearing off. sett Brick until noon. at noon commenced moulding again. I hauled a couple of loads of Sand. smoky and looks like Indian Sumer. Bought a long handled shovel cost 35 cents (cheap).

Jul 12 Clear But still smoky. Repaired my grain cradle & scythes must soon go to harvesting. all hands making Brick again.

Jul 13 Cloudy but not much like Rain. Repaired a grain Cradle for Joel McMillen. spent some time up Town. hacked up 5000 Brick went Down to John McConners & brot home our colt that had followed him home some Days since. very warm and at 6 O'clock looks like Rain.

Jul 14 Cloudy & threatens Rain. 3 of our hands commenced cutting the wheat But was soon forced to quit in consequence of its Raining. I being unwell Done but little. Bought 39 yards of Bleached Muslin cost 13 1/2 cents per yard.

Jul 15 Cloudy with a little Rain about 4 O'clock AM. soon Dried off and our hands again at the wheat. made some Brick I Dug some clay.

Jul 16 Cloudy with every Prospect of Rain Rained some in forenoon. we have our Brick sett but have not enough to Burn. working corn.

Jul 17 Clear & cloudy at intervals But Rained none. my harvest hands are working the corn. I Dug clay Cris is moulding Brick.

Jul 18 Cloudy but little indications of Rain. commenced mowing our Barn Field. I got the waggon all Ready for hauling in hay spread and Raked hay the Ballance of the time. good hay Day.

Jul 19 Cloudy and warm no Dew last night. made all our Hay and got it into the Barn as good hay as any one has got. Doc Spear Paid me 84 28/100 Doll. worked until late putting up Brick looks like Rain.

Jul 20 Cloudy with a fine Rain last night. got up at 5 O'clock washed and Put on a Divine (clean) shirt and feel the better of it. took a walk out as far as the Cemetery. Sat Down at the foot of Edwin Coppocks grave and soon fell asleep was wakened by the Ringing of the church bells. Emma Walker is here to Day.

Jul 21 Cloudy & Dull. mowed all Day and trust tomorrow maybe a hay Day. I Dug clay.

Jul 22 Cloudy but no Rain. Dug clay until noon. in afternoon helped haul in our hay got

in 5 loads of excellent hay. George Fleck picked cherries.

Jul 23 Cloudy with some Rain this morning but soon Dried off. at noon we commenced and hauled in the Ballance of our hay not injured by the Rain. mowed some this afternoon. I found 2 of my hogs that have been Strayed away a week. Nelly our 4 year old Mare is Badly Foundered gave her a pint of linseed oil in hopes to Phisic her.

Jul 24 Clear at sunrise and actually looks like we might have one clear Day. we have had uncomon cloudy Dull weather for a month. clouded up Rained about 4 O'clock. we got in 3 loads of hay.

Jul 25 Cloudy & foggy at Daylight But cleared off and is a good hay Day. we finished our mowing by ten O'clock. Cris hauled in our wheat & 2 loads of hay.

Jul 26 Clear & fine hay Day. clouded up in afternoon but Rained none. we got all our hay in and are now Ready to go to making Brick again.

Jul 27 Clear & Pleasant all Day. I spent most of the Day at Shaffer & Wilsons office talking with Judge Ambler Geor Sheets & others came home about 4 O'clock.

Jul 28 Clear & warm. hauled San & Brick. all hands on the yard again getting Ready to go to molding.

Jul 29 Clear & Pleasant. went out to where J F Dickinson used to live & brot in 20 bushels of wheat I Bought of him. left it all at the Buckeye Mill.

Jul 30 Clear warm. hauled sand. Abel P Philips gave me a check to Thomas & Greiner for 2 Hundred Dollars gave him a Receipt for it Dated on the 26th inst at which time he intended to to have given me the check but I was not in Town.

Jul 31 Clear & warm. I Done but little to Day. went up Town to Pay off some Bail Money that is Drawing 10 per cent but the Party holding the Paper is not at home. Deposited it (200 Dollars) at Thomas & Greiner. in afternoon went to see Ira Moore wanted to hire him but could not. called to Joshua Davis's to see them a few minutes while there they gave me to Read a letter from Jacob Heaton he is with the Army in northern Alabama.

Aug 1 Clear & warm. hauled wood all Day. Old Aunt Betsy Strawn (wife of Jesse Strawn) was buried to Day. She is the last of the Gaskill Family they came to Salem from New Jersey as early as 1805. no vestage of their old Residence is left all torn Down and the Beautiful Round Knoll on which it stood has been graded Down to a level with Main Street. many is the time I have Romped around the Old log House. have a Pair of shoe buckles that I found under it 40 years ago.

Aug 2 Clear & warm. checked out 36 50/100 Doll all I had in Bank Paid Thomas

Kennett 200 Dollars in a judgment against me on a note in which John Hise is Principal. money he Borrowed of Rhyners Swain some ten years since for which he was to Pay 10 per cent. it was originally but 125 Dollars But to Day it amounts to 217 27/100 Doll. I owe 17 27/100 Doll yet. worked on the yard this afternoon.

Aug 3 Clear & Pleasant. wrote a letter to William Dickinson of Boren Co Kentucky. Emma Walker is here to see us. Margaret & I took a slow ride out to the Cemetery got back about sunsett.

Aug 4 Clear & warm. I Discharged Jo Post this morning he Refused to work where I wanted him to and I told him that he was Relieved owe him nothing or at most but a trifle. one sett of setting Brick I Helped. looks like Rain at 6 O'clock. we covered some of our Brick.

Aug 5 Cloudy & looks like Raining this morning But all passed off without. Strawn is unwell. Did not mold this afternoon we all sett Brick. very warm and the ground is getting Dry.

Aug 6 Clear & warm. worked at the yard all Day. Daniel Reed commenced Driving our team. I subscribed 25 Dollars to the Volunteer fund. settled & Paid Jo Post 3 42/100 Doll. no war news.

Aug 7 Clear & warm. Tom Heaton our clay Digger Enlisted. we are now out of a hand and Do not know how I can replace him. all our young men that are good for anything to work have Enlisted. great war meeting here to Day. Sam Galoway of Columbus spoke.

Aug 8 Clear & very warm. hired Fred Smith to Dig clay. Don Reed commenced cutting our Oats. I helped case the Kiln will soon have it Ready to put fire in. have news of the assasination and Death of General Robt McCook the Hero of Mill Spring Kentucky. he was met By a Band of Guarillas a few miles from Selma Alabama and shot through the Bowels. his Brigade will avenge his Death.

Aug 9 Cloudy and looks some like Rain. finished setting our Kiln. Rained a little about Six O'clock but not enough to wet the ground. Paid Don Sharpnack 9 Dollars all I owed him for hauling wood.

Aug 10 Clear & very warm. I picked near a half bushel of Blackberries there is a great abundance this year. Sis and Eltona is out to John Gordons.

Aug 11 Clear & warm. finished casing our Kiln. Paid Thomas Heaton 38 Dollars all I owed him. news of another fight at Culpepper Court House Va. between Stonewall Jackson & General Banks. I ____ _____ both Parties are Badly cut up.

Aug 12 Clear & warm. fired our Kiln to Day. I Dug one Pit of clay. another company of Volunteers left Salem to Day 122 of them a Stout sett of Men. Lizzie Sheets is here from

Ashland. Margaret is 41 years old.

Aug 13 Clear & warm fine Brick weather as can be. finished our harvest to Day our Barn is now pretty full. hauled home some Board. this afternoon I Picked some Blackberries. Spent the evening up town very Pleasant.

Aug 14 Clear & warm but clouded up and Rained a little in latter Part of the Day. I Dug clay in forenoon and hauled wood in afternoon.

Aug 15 Clear & Pleasant some cloudy through the Day but no appearance of Rain. Dug clay in forenoon. in afternoon took care of Brick. Paid Anne Sharpnack 1 25/100 Doll for work Done. John Garwood choaked Bill Reed served him Right. Circus in town to Day.

Aug 16 Clear & cool. our Kiln is Doing well. Dug clay in forenoon. in afternoon Done but little. attached the Hose to the fire Plugs for the first time Salem is now well Supplied with water. Abel P Phillips is Proprietor of the whole.

Aug 17 Clear & Pleasant. Sold Joseph Castleberry 2 3 year old beves for which he Paid me 25 Dollars, 20 in cash and five in beef. gave me a check to Thomas & Greiner for the 20 Dollars. Amos Aspey & I carted wood most of the afternoon Kiln is Doing fine. Emma G Walker is with us to Day she is yet full of Play as ever. Mary Hick took a Horseback Ride Down to Sister Unos. Sis Hise Rode home with Emma.

Aug 18 Clear and some cloudy at intervals but no Prospect of Rain the ground is now very Dry. Dug clay & hauled wood to the Kiln. Paid Walker (our Butcher) ten Dollars.

Aug 19 Clear & warm. John Alexander (Colored Man) commenced Diging clay I ironed a sett of Brick Molders. Sold our young Brown Mare (Nelly) to Nathan P Treat for one hundred Dollars 90 of it Paid Down took his Due Bill for the Ballance (ten Dollars) to be Paid when he threshes his wheat. I was very Reluctant to sell her but have so much stock on hand that I must sell some of it.

Aug 20 Clear & warm. are making no Brick to Day. Strawn has gone to Cleveland. Forney Jesse & I Burned brush up at Mrs Watterworths where I had wood chopped last winter. took in Brick in afternoon. Shut up the kiln this afternoon got a good burn.

Aug 21 Clear & warm. Cris commenced molding to Day. got a Horse for his keep of Tom Sharpnack. looks some like Rain at sunsett.

Aug 22 Cloudy with some Rain last night. Paid Joel McMillen 14 Dollars I owed him. Paid Jehu Strawn ten Dollars on acct. commenced our 3rd Kiln to sett.

Aug 23 Clear & warm all Day. I Dug clay until about noon. Rachel Ball an old Play mate visited us to Day.

Aug 24 Clear & warm all Day. I got up early & made a Toy Scythe for the Boys. wrote a letter to J F Hise of New Albany Indiana after which I subsided.

Aug 25 Clear & warm. all hands on the yard Doing good business. I sett Brick all Day. Rumors of war But nothing Definite. a great number of persons went to Lisbon to get exempted from Draft in the Molitia.

Aug 26 Clear & warm. Sis & Eltina got up at 3 O'clock and went Down to Aunt Unos to wash. I worked on the yard all Day. no Prospect of Rain.

Aug 27 Clear & warm. Repaired a wheelbarrow. worked on the yard all Day. clouded up & looks some like Rain but Rained none.

Aug 28 Cloudy and threatens Rain But cleared off Towards noon. Amos & I Repaired 2 of our clay mills. Put the shed on our Brick. tore Down abutmont and took off some casing.

Aug 29 Clear & Pleasant. got up early and went over & settled with Abraham Grenawalt he owed & gave me his Due Bill for 57 50/100 Doll. 2 Companies of Soldiers left here at 11 O'clock for Massilon they belong to the 104th Regiment & was Recruited in Salem & New Lisbon.

Aug 30 Clear & warm. Repaired a wheel barrow and worked on the yard. no Prospect of Rain yet.

Aug 31 Clear & warm. spent good part of the Day hunting a hog that I lost 6 weeks since but found it not. exciting war Rumors to Day.

Sep 1 Cloudy with a good Rain last night. covered our Brick about midnight got some spoiled having neglected to Put them up on yesterday. sett Brick and took some in. Rained considerable through the Day. commenced plowing our wheat ground.

Sep 2 Cloudy & cool. sett Brick until noon when it commenced clearing off & the Boys went to molding. Amos Plowed all Day is getting along well. Martial Law Declared in Cincinnatti fears are entertained of a visit from the Rebels.

Sep 3 Clear & cool considerable frost this morning too cold to make Brick before breakfast. Pleasant all Day. one of our offbearers has a Boile and had to knock off at noon. no additional war news which is to me Discouraging.

Sep 4 Clear & very Pleasant. have too bad a cold to Do much to Day. 75 more Soldiers went to Cincinnatti the Armed themselves for the Defence of the City only. Paid Yerkes Howel for 103 bushels of Oats bought of him some time since. no war news

Sep 5 Clear & very Pleasant this morning. am still stupid with a cold. Done but little To Day. no war news.

Sep 6 Clear & warm. Put a lock on our Big gate have got tired of hunting our hogs. Boys that open it will leave it open. Amos has the Ague has gone home this afternoon and at 5 O'clock his Sister came they traveled Different Roads & missed other.

Sep 7 Clear & warm. made & ironed a weelbarrow wheel. afternoon went Down to Yerk Howels took Supper with them. called at Joshua Davis's as I Returned got some Buckeyes for Johnie. Amos Returned.

Sep 8 Clear & warm. all hands making Brick to Day. had a nice shower about 3 O'clock soon cleared off and was fine as ever. got out 8000 Brick.

Sep 9 Clear & very Pleasant. our girls got up at 3 O'clock & went to Aunt Unos to wash. I laid our matic before breakfast. Bought some Peaches & sweet Potatoes.

Sep 10 Clear with some fog in low Places. Did not go out before breakfast the air is chilly. spent the morning looking over my Journal. at noon went Down to the Station & Bought 3 Pecks of Timothy seed and had the good fortune to meet Nina Hise, Brother Jacobs Daughter who came by Rail from New Albany Ind alone. I was Delighted to see her she is the only one of his children I have ever saw. our Volunteer force returned from Cincinnati.

Sep 11 Clear & warm. got up early and sowed our grass seed sowed our wheat yesterday. Rolled it in it is now in good condition. hauled some Brick. looks like Rain.

Sep 12 Cloudy & wet fine Rain last night we were all Ready for it. all hands sett Brick to Day. Rained considerable through the Day it was much needed. no very important war news. I got a pair of new shoes. I am 49 years of age to Day. took breakfast with Mother Hise.

Sep 13 Clear & cool. took in & sett Brick. Bought a lot of Wm Dixon conditionally ifhe can give me a good title I shall but it.

Sep 14 Clear & warm. loafed all Day good part of the time at Joel McMillens.

Sep 15 Clear & warm. hauled Brick. both setts of hands is moulding to Day. this evening the news has come that another great Battle has ben fought Between the Federal & Confederate Armies at Hagerstown Maryland in which Stonewall Jackson & 15000 of his troops were captured and Gen Lee Mortally wounded loss very heavy on both sides. Gen Reno on the Federal side is Said to be among the Killed. we await further news impatiently.

Sep 16 Cloudy with slight mist early but soon cleared off. hauled & took cone of Brick.

war news satisfactory.

Sep 17 Clear & warm. must go to New Lisbon to Day. got back a little after noon. very warm. hacked up Brick in afternoon.

Sep 18 Cloudy at sunrise very windy all night. worked on the yard all Day. sold some Brick.

Sep 19 Cloudy & cool all Day no Prospect of Rain. hauled Brick.

Sep 20 Cloudy & cool But cleared off and is very Pleasant all Day. finished molding Brick to Day or at least we suppose we have enough.

Sep 21 Clear & cool. got up early went up to the yard with the intention of hacking up Brick but found it too cold to go barefooted & quit. went up an bought a Paper spent the Day at home. gave Emma Walker my photograph.

Sep 22 Clear & Dry. the girls have gone to wash. Amos Don & Forney are cutting up our corn the Ballance of us setting Brick. want to close up Brick making as soon as Possible. Bought the lot of Wm Dixon gave John (our Horse) and 50 Dollars wrote the Deed & he took it home to get it executed.

Sep 23 Clear & still Day as ever with no appearance of Rain. hauling Brick to Day. Bought 2 1/2 Bushels of Peaches for which I Paid 2 Dollars. got along well hacked up all our Brick.

Sep 24 Cloudy & wet had a fine Rain about 1 O'clock AM. we all had to hustle out of Bed to cover Brick got them all Safe. Bought 11 lb of first rate Steak of Jo Castleberry for 6 cents per lb cheap enough.

Sep 25 Clear & cool But Pleasant to work we got along well to Day. our Brick are not going to hold out shall have to make more.

Sep 26 Clear & cool a little frost this morning. sett Brick all Day.

Sep 27 Clear & warm but clouded up in after part of the Day and looks a little like Rain. Wm Dixon gave me a Deed for the Property I Bought of him. I shod the Horse for him before the left.

Sep 28 Clear & warm. hooped our one horse wagon & cart wheels. took the little Boys Down to Joshua Davis after Buck eyes the got about one Peck. Emma Walker has Returned.

Sep 29 Cloudy & threatens Rain Did Rain about Ten O'clock. we made 3000 Brick to finished the Kiln. Amos is hauling wood. no war news to Day.

Sep 30 Cloudy & Dull. the Boys cased the Kiln. Forney Don & I worked at our Dam made a good job of it.

Oct 1 Cloudy with some Rain. Settled with & Paid off Forney & Don. Cris & I split some good stone. Amos is hauling wood. Settled with Jesse Deetrick gave him my Due Bill for what I owed him.

Oct 2 Cloudy & Dull. threshed some Oats this forenoon. in afternoon Cris & I hauled our Stone & Dug some foundation around our Pavement (that is to be).

Oct 3 Cloudy with some Rain last night ground is quite moist. shod 2 of our Horses. Settled with J B Strawn owed him 97 91/100 Doll. gave him my Due Bill for that amount. Rung our shoats and turn them into the woods. Cris & Doc Hewett has gone gunning.

Oct 4 Clear & Pleasant but soon clouded up and Rained hard. we sett the Ballance of our Kiln & fired it Cris is ina hurry to get Done is going to work on the Rail Road. some war news to Day Confederate Congress are Rampant at the Proclamation of Freedom issued by President Lincoln to take effect in all the Rebellious States and in Portions of States on the first Day of January 1863. "let em Rip".

Oct 5 Clear & cool. got up early made a Potatoe hook (to Dig them with) before Breakfast. spent the Ballance of the Day in idleness.

Oct 6 Clear & warm. I Done but little work to Day spent most of the time up Town. Arthur McMillen met with a sad accident (viz) fell from a horse and Broke his right arm so close to the elbow that his arm will be stiff. I feel very sorry for him. he is very smart his Father & Mother is absent at Philadelphia.

Oct 7 Clear & some little cloudy at intervals with a little Rain. I hauled wood all Day. sold some Brick. Arthur is Doing well.

Oct 8 Clear & very fine weather our Kiln is Doing well. Mrs Mendinhall Mrs Vickers & Mrs Whiney called in & took tea with us. Joel & Sarah Returned this morning.

Oct 9 Cloudy & Dull all Day a little mist but no Rain. hauled wood. Jo Smith commenced cutting the Stone for our Porch.

Oct 10 Cloudy & Dull. hauling wood to Day. the Drafted Militia of the County leaves for Mansfield where they go into camp. I hauled wood all Day.

Oct 11 Cleared off and is cool at Daylight But Drizzled Rain all night. Our Kiln is Doing well. finished hauling shoats. Paid J B Strawn 25 Dollars. Settled with M E Sharpnack owed her & Paid her five Dollars. Paid Mrs Watterworth 9 Dollars for wood I got cut on the Fair ground. news came to Day that the Rebels had taken Chambersburgh

Pennsylvania and also a Big Fight in Kentucky in whichthe northern troops were successful. we learned also of the Death of Benj S. Jones an old Friend has been a Prominent Anti Slavery Man for 35 years. was first (& last) Editor of the Anti Slavery Bugle. he Died of Fever at Kennett Square Chester Co Pa where he moved one year since.

Oct 12 Clear & cool with considerable Frost to Day. Emma G Walker starts for Home in Ashtabula Co we shall miss her much she having been an intimate of our House for the last 2 years.

Oct 13 Cloudy with some mist falling. hauled boards Stone and wood. worked in afternoon at our Pavement. Bought a Barrel of white lime. Settled with Cris.

Oct 14 Cloudy early in the morning but soon cleared off and was Pleasant all Day. Doc Hewett & I hauled Brick in forenoon. in afternoon we took Down the Butment at the South end of our Kiln that we may get soft Brick. voted to Day very important election. Cris commenced Boarding at 2.25 Per week.

Oct 15 Clear & Pleasant. worked at our Pavement in forenoon. in afternoon hauled Brick. Aunt Betsy Phillips Mrs Sheets & Mother Hise visited us this afternoon. Mary Hicks Mother is here to night.

Oct 16 Cloudy with some Rain to Day. Amos Dug Post holes & hauled Brick I worked at my Pavement. Eltina Returned to Day and Brot Angelina Deming with her. she is going to New york with Ben Bown he is to meet her here on Saturday night.

Oct 17 Clear & cool. Amos hauled Brick I Done some paving. collected a little money Paid Amos ten Dollars. times are growing harder every Day.

Oct 18 Clear & beautiful. Amos has gone home to Day. I worked hard at my Pavement to Day and got it Done. Benj Bown of Cincinnati arrived at noon he is very Poorly. I called at Marius Robinsons (where he is stopping) to see him. while there John Gordon called to see him also. he is too much Reduced to talk much.

Oct 19 Cloudy & looks like Rain early But all passed off without any. I took Diner with Joel & Sarah several Friends were there But I will not enumerate them. cool at Bedtime.

Oct 20 Clear & Pleasant all Day. I hauled some Brick and some cooper stuff. Amos Dug Potatoes. gave Mr Bown my English cane Brot to this country By Father Goulbourn.

Oct 21 Cloudy. Amos & I Put the Shed on our Brick to Day. Rained in afternoon. we hauled some wood & some Brick.

Oct 22 Cloudy & cool. undertook to haul Brick but got so Sea Sick I was forced to quit. Amos hauled in my place.

Oct 23 Cloudy & cool. Amos and I hauled Brick all Day. moderated some was quite Pleasant in afternoon. Anne Morris Started home at 4 O'clock PM.

Oct 24 Cloudy. we threshed some Oats in forenoon. in afternoon Amos Picked apples. I spent a Portion of the Day up Town.

Oct 25 Cloudy & Damp. threshed some wheat & took it to mill. hauled 2 loads of cooper stufff. Paid Doc Hewitt 22 20/100 to be credited on Due Bill he holds against me.

Oct 26 Cloudy with 3 inches of snow and more falling snowed all Day. I worked in shop.

Oct 27 Clear & thawed most of the Snow off air was raw all Day. spent the Day up town. among other things I tried to get a Settlement out of Uriah Wilson but could not shall have to Sue him I expect.

Oct 28 Clear & cool thawed but little in the Shade. hauled in our Stack of hay and hauled one load of Brick. Rained a little at 7 O'clock PM.

Oct 29 Clear & Pleasant in the Sunshine But a raw cold wind is blowing from the Southwest.

Oct 30 Clear & Pleasant. Sold Dan (Horse) for 95 Dollars glad to get it he is an ornry Devil am glad to get shut of him. hauled staves and Amos husked corn.

Oct 31 Clear & Pleasant. I am hauling cooper stuff & Brick. Amos is husking corn.

Nov 1 Clear & warm. hauled Staves until noon sold some Brick. spent the afternoon up Town. Deposited one hundred Dollars at Thomas & Greiners. Bought some candles matches etc.

Nov 2 Clear & Pleasant. I made some board fence but Ran out of nails and went to work in the Shop. Blowed and Rained hard about 4 O'clock PM.

Nov 3 Cloudy & cool. finished my fence & worked on the Roads. have to (as a witness) to Lisbon on the morrow.

Nov 4 Clear & Pleasant. went to Lisbon in Company with Philip Evans took his Horse & carriage as far as Franklin Square where we got out sent the carriage back and walked the Ballance of the way. stayed all Day took Diner & Supper after which I came home with Joshua J Boone. found all Safe at Home.

Nov 5 Clear & Pleasant. returned to Lisbon this morning with Robert Thompson. spent the entire Day in court without being called on to Testify. the counsil in the case Deeming it unnecessary to have any more testimony on the Point I was called on to strengthen

Kindly consented not to call me to the Stand I was glad of it. Robt Thompson Kindly volunteered the use of his Horse & Buggy and Philip Evans & I came home. soon after starting it commenced Raining & blowing from the north. was very Disagreeable but we found a good warm stove and was soon comfortable.

Nov 6 Cloudy & cold. Returned to Lisbon to take Back the horse & Buggy and stayed all Day to hear the Pleading it Payed well. very able speeches were made on Both sides the closing one being made by Judge Day of Ravenna was very energetic & Pointed. came home with Henry Schaffer.

Nov 7 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard. I hauled staves and one load of wood also one of Brick. Bought Amos & myself a Pair of gloves cost 175 cents each.

Nov 8 Cloudy & snowing fast at Daylight looks as though winter had Really sett in. hauled our brick machine out & Put it in the Dry. spent the Ballance of the Day up Town. have nothing to Report.

Nov 9 Clear & Pleasant snow will go fast to Day hope it will all go off we have considerable corn out yet. worked in wood shop most of the Day making notions for Sis.

Nov 10 Clear & cold. worked some at fence in forenoon. in afternoon hauled cooper stuff. Samos husked corn. was quite warm in afternoon.

Nov 11 Cloudy & cold in forepart of the Day. hauled cooper stuff & wood in forenoon. in afternoon hauled Brick & went to Sam Sharpnacks and got 5 Bundles of Rye straw to tie corn fodder. hauled in a load of corn after Dark. Eliza Hick & Mother Hise is here to night.

Nov 12 Cloudy with considerable wind. Hauled Brick all Day. Amos is Husking corn.

Nov 13 Clear & cold. hauled one load of cooper stuff. sold Wm Betz a Part of load for oven wood for which he gave me 2 1/4 lb of Coffee said to be worth 75 cents (Pretty Steep).

Nov 14 Clear & cool with stiff frost But when the Sun got fairly up was as Pleasant as could be all Day. wrote a letter to Bolud Fawcett of Cleveland and made Board fence all Day. Amos is still at the corn.

Nov 15 Clear & cool weather much the same. hauled 2 loads of Brick & made some board fence. Amos finished the corn to Day & went home on a short Furlough. Settled with Isaac Boone the first time Since July 6th 1837 he owed me $92.02 cents gave me his Due Bill for it. Robt Burns Paid me 4 Dollars he had owed me a couple of years. I Paid Amos 1 Dollar.

Nov 16 Cloudy & cold. got up late fed & watered the Hogs we have some good ones.

spent the Day in Reading the Cincinnatti Commercial. Bill Kineman Returned from the Army he was wounded at Antietam & Discharged. he has the Ball that was taken out of his Right hand 4 Days after the battle.

Nov 17 Cloudy & wet Rained all Day am glad of it as we were about out of water. formed a track for my wood sawing machine that I am getting up. Paid Jehu Strawn 45 Dollars he is to credit it on a note he holds against me.

Nov 18 Cloudy & Dull but no Rain to Day. made a Pattern for car wheel. Paid Dan Hewitt 5 Dollars. hauled some Brick & Done some shores about the Brick yard.

Nov 19 Cloudy & wet. Done some schores on the yard & Repaired our Harness. Rained a little all Day.

Nov 20 Cloudy & cooler is getting Ready to snow. hauled one load of Brick Amos is hauling wood.

Nov 21 Cloudy & Partially clear at times. Put in the Drain to Ice House in forenoon. In afternoon commenced Repairing our shed.

Nov 22 Clear & cool at sunrise ground froze hard. Amos & I hauled a load of Brick and the ballance of the Day we worked at our shed. clouded up and was cool all Day threatens snow.

Nov 23 Cloudy & cool with some snow on the ground. worked in the shop made a shovel & stove hook. went over to Fred Smiths in afternoon. snowed some through the Day.

Nov 24 Clear & cold. hauled some wood & got ready to Butcher. Henry Adams Paid me 60 Dollars for staves Paid 30 of it to A Ball. Deposited the Ballance at Thomas & Greiners. quite Pleasant all Day snow all gone where the sun shone.

Nov 25 Clear & cool. worked at our shed at the barn. got a letter from Smith Townsend answered it right off. considerable warmer and at 7 O'clock PM is Raining and Dark as can be. Amos has gone to Town to Buy Powder.

Nov 26 Cloudy & cool. got up early and got Ready to Butcher our hogs. waited until 8 O'clock and then got word that Jim Philips was not coming. we got Lawson Harper & Bill Kineman & went ahead and got Done in good time had no trouble Mother Hise is helping us. cold Rain but not enough to anoy us.

Nov 27 Cloudy & cool. cut up our Pork & Put it in the cellar Ready for salting.

Nov 28 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. hauled a few Brick. Bought a Barrel of Salt 4 Dollars a cutting Box cost 32 Dollars & 153 cents worth of hoop iron. Salted

Down our meat. Paid Jesse Deetrick 33 Dollars owe him 25 cents yet.

Nov 29 Cloudy with weather about the Same. hauled some Brick Done schores Amos hauled wood. Emily Robinson & Sarah McMillen spent the afternoon and evening very agreeably with us.

Nov 30 Cloudy & snowing some. Jesse Hise spent a part of the Day with us. I Put Pickle on our meat & worked some in the Shop. in afternoon went up Town to see Henry Ritzell wanted to Rent a Room for Frank Hilliard but could not. came home by way of Elwood Vickers.

Dec 1 Cloudy & Raw rained some in the night. at 2 O'clock AM I was asked by Margaret to call in some of our Female Neighbors to her assistance (Mrs Post Phebe Henshilwood & Elizabeth Grisell) what took place it is unecessary to Record Save that our House hold was added a member (of the Gentle Sex). all passed off well for which I am Duly & truly thankful. I am now Relieved of a great Deal of anxiety of mind. Amos & I cut our Sausage meat I am Tired.

Dec 2 Cloudy & some colder. stuffed our Sausage & weather Boarded our shed. am very tired to night. we have Eliza Hick nursing Margaret who is getting along well. lost a cow last night one having Died what was the matter I cannot conjecture Amos skinned her.

Dec 3 Cloudy & cool. worked at our shed finishing the inside. Margaret is Doing well. Paid Amos 15 Dollars.

Dec 4 Clear & cool ground froze hard. Sone some schores up Town. in afternoon Amos & I worked at the shed.

Dec 5 Cloudy & cool. Amos hauled wood in afternoon he went home Sis went with him. I Bought 2 water Pitchers cost 1 Dollar. Roads are excellent. I spent most of the Day up Town. Paid Amos 5 Dollars.

Dec 6 Cloudy & windy & cold as the tomb. made 2 house troughs and Put them up are good ones. Paid Philip Herman 8 Dollars I owed him for wood.

Dec 7 Cloudy & cold. mended Samuel Chessmans pump. spent the Ballance of the Day Pencil Drawing. Elizabeth Hick went up Town to stay all night.

Dec 8 Cloudy & cold. got but poor rest last night Margaret & the Baby Rested but Poorly. Siste Phebe stayed until 2 O'clock AM. Bought stuff for some new clothes.

Dec 9 Clear & very Pleasant in the Sun all Day. the Roads are Dusty and the ground very Dry. Amos helped Joel Butcher in forenoon. in afternoon he & I worked at the Cow Stable. Margaret & the Baby are getting along well. heard with Deepest Sorrow of the

Death of Minerva Morris one of my warm Friends she Died of Diptheria at Lamoille Illinois.

Dec 10 Cloudy & cold going to have another fine Day. I write while awaiting breakfast. Amos & worked all Day at the Cow shed got the Carpenter work about Done. Father & Mother Goulbourn came over to see us to Day they are both well.

Dec 11 Clear & warmer. we are out of water this morning had no Rain to Raise the streams for the last 6 months we shall have to haul water.

Dec 12 Cloudy & warm. Amos hauled Saw Dust for Cow Stable I made a Door & hinges. spent a Portion of the Day up Town.

Dec 13 Cloudy & warm. Amos hauled Sand & Straw. I am now writing with a steel Pen some one having Broken my gold one with which I have been writing for the last 6 years. am sorry for it as it was an excellent good one. spent the afternoon in Town.

Dec 14 Cloudy & warm to Day. Caleb Hunt a native of Salem was Buried he was killed on a Rail Road in Wisconsin. at the time of his Death he was 1st Lieutenant in 1st Wiss Battery and was on his way to take charge of a Camp of Instruction.

Dec 15 Cloudy & warm. I worked at the Brick yard cleaning up around the Kiln. Amos Dug Post holes. Aaron Deposited 25 Dollars with me for Safe keeping. I gave him my note for it comes Due May first 1863. Rained all this afternoon and at Dark the wind is in the north very Dark.

Dec 16 Cloudy & colder with 2 inches of snow. made 6 Cow chains. Sold E Hedkins a log sled for which he is to give me 800 feet of flooring Boards (oak). Paid John Strawn 25 Dollars. spent the evening up Town.

Dec 17 Cloudy & some colder and at noon is snowing fast. Amos is Boiling Soap. John & I went over to grandfather Goulbourns got John measured for a coat. Roads are Bad. Paid Amos 2 Doll.

Dec 18 Cloudy & cold. got my coat lining stiched and took it over to Father Goulbourns. in afternoon got 35 Dollars of Joel McMillen & gave it Joseph G Thomas to pay my Tax saved me a trip to Lisbon.

Dec 19 Clear & very cold all Day. I finished Paving our cellar. get Allen Boyle to look at my Brick with a view of selling him a hundred thousand my prospect is good.

Dec 20 Cloudy & cold. stuck close to the fire to Day. Henry King and his wife visited us this afternoon & evening was very glad to have them Do so. wrote a letter to Amos Gilbert & one to Frank Chaney.

Dec 22 Cloudy & some warmer thawed considerable to Day. Amos Hauled wood I ground my axe & Bought and put a handle in another. mailed my letter Paid one Dollar war tax. was not legally taxed But no matter am willing to Pay what I can toward carrying on the war.

Dec 23 Cloudy warm. we are threshing our wheat to keep the rats from eating it.

Dec 24 Cloudy & warm. cleaned up 15 bushels of wheat & Put it in the granery. worked some in the Shop. rained some. Paid Amos 2 Dollars.

Dec 25 Cloudy & wet. Amos went home. 2 of Alfred Sheets sons was with us last night. worked some in the shop. was up town in afternoon. roads muddy.

Dec 26 Cloudy & wet. worked in the shop all Day. Amos Did not return until 9 O'clock to night and is going to pittsburgh at 1 O'clock on the 27. is going to Louisville on a coal Boat he is to be Back in 2 weeks. I can Do my own feeding. it is now Past 10 O'clock as I write. gave Amos a check for 15 Dollars.

Dec 27 Cloudy & warm. hauled 2 loads of wood. spent the fternoon up town collected some money. sold Geo Allison a shoat for 3 Dollars. Roads very muddy.

Dec 28 Clear & Pleasant sun shines as Pleasant as May. repaired our coffee mill & finished the calf stable. Sister Una Sister Lizzie & Mother Hise is here Eliza Hick is here also to see the Baby.

Dec 29 Cloudy & warm. Don Hewitt & George Henshilwood came on to help me thresh our wheat threshed in forenoon. in afternoon cleaned it up will take another Day to finish. Lizzie Dickinson returned.

Dec 30 Cloudy & a little cooler. threshed the Ballance of our wheat and cleaned up. commenced snowing about 3 O'clock PM and snowed very fast from the north east until about 7 O'clock when it slacked up and at 9 O'clock is Drifting very much. is too wet to stay long unless it should turn colder. Sarah Galbreath took tea with us.

Dec 31 Cloudy and a very little colder but in the middle of the Day thawed considerable. Put our wheat away and then went up town and learned from Allen Boyle that I was to furnish his Brick am very glad of that. to Day is the last Day we as a nation are to be guilty of the enormous crime of Slaveholding. o the morrow Abraham Lincoln President of these United States Declared the slaves of all Rebels free men which will leave but but few. god be Praised we can now Bid good by to Sixty two with good grace.

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Jan 1 Clear at Sunrise but soon clouded up and remained cold all Day. I worked some in the Shop. Bought 8 trees (ornimental) and 4 grape vines to come from Rochester N.Y. spent most of the Day up Town. to Day is issued the Proclamation of Abraham Lincoln President Declaring the Slaves of all the Rebelious States Free men and guarantees them protection in their freedom with the aid of all the military force of the nation.

Jan 2 Cloudy and warm snow melted fast to Day. worked a little but spent good part of the Day in Town. news of another great Battle in which both sides sustained imence loss (at Murfreesboro Tenssee) But we can get no particulars. Bought Sis a Pair of Butter Knives cost 2 Dollars and Margaret 6 Tea spoons cost a like sum. Emely Robinson & Gertrude visited us.

Jan 3 Cloudy & warm snow still melting. spent the Day in Town could get nothing from the Fight. Roads are getting very muddy. spent the evening at Sharpnacks Clothing Store awaiting Telegraph Dispatches but none came.

Jan 4 Cloudy & wet thawed all night at noon is windy & raining. strolled around some but got too wet for me had to come home.

Jan 5 Clear & Pleasant. hauled wood in forenoon. in afternoon took Margaret & Baby up to Mother Hises. Volunteered my services to go to Murfreesboro Tennessee to assist in taking care of the wounded. shall start tomorrow morning at 5 O'clock AM. the Committee gave me 90 Dollars to pay expenses.

Jan 6 Cloudy at 3 O'clock AM. am up have written some Directions about home affairs and now when I get a bite to eat shall be off for the scene of carnage. Do what I can to relieve the "Poor Soldier".

Jan 7 Cloudy & cold at Columbus which is as far as I could go. no one but a Soldier was permitted to enter the lines. Rosecrans is over ran with nurses & Surgeons wants more soldiers and Army stores all the transportations is needed for that purpose. arrived at Columbus at 1 O'clock on yesterday put up at the Goodale House. looked about town what we could and at 1/2 past 4 we again left for home where we arrived at 1 PM found all right. am glad I am back since my services are not needed.

Jan 8 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard. feel the better of a nights rest. went up Town and settled with & returned the Ballance of the money to the Committee (Isaac Snyder & T F Sharpnack 64 Dollars). Amos Aspey returned am very glad of it.

Jan 9 Cloudy & cold But will thaw some to Day. Amos hauled wood. I went to John Gordons to see his wood Saw stayed to Diner. from there I went to Tom Sharp & to the Buckeye Foundry got home about Sunsett. (Benj Bown Died at Cincinnatti at 12 O'clock.

Jan 10 Cloudy & wet. Done but little to Day. very windy Disagreeable out Doors. Amos cut wood in wood House. I spent the Day in working at our wood saw.

Jan 11 Cloudy and snowed very fast at 8 O'clock AM. To Day Benj Bown of Cincinnati was buried in the Cemetery at Salem. he Died on last Friday at 12 O'clock M gave Directions for his own Funeral appointed his own Pall Bearers as follows Jacob Heaton Thomas Craddock Richard Ramsden Joel McMillen John Gordon & D H Hise. the latter was also appointed to Superintend the forming of the Procession all of which was executed to the letter. Marius Robinson (from whose House he was buried) Delivered a short Discourse.

Jan 12 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. worked some at my wood saw. went to see Mary Hafley to get her to come and work for us Mary Hick having notified us that she is going to leave. he reason for Doing so I suppose is because I spoke Disparagingly of her beau. I hope she may never see the Day that she will be Sorry for seeing him But if she Does not I shall be Deceived. Paschall Seeds & his wife (Annie Sharpnack) are here this evening and are going to stay all night.

Jan 13 Cloudy with weather about the Same. Paschall Seeds & wife went thome to Day. Amos cut & hauled some wood. in afternoon He & I hauled in some of our corn fodder. Dark & Roads very muddy.

Jan 14 Cloudy & wet Rained all Day. Amos & I cut some corn fodder. in afternoon went to town got John Moore a pair of coarse boots he got his foot measured for them. got Martha Hewett to come to work for us a few Days. Bought 1/4 of beef.

Jan 15 Cloudy with 2 inches of Snow on the ground this morning. worked at my wood Saw most of the Day. snowed all Day. cut up my beef. went up to Station to see Paschall Seeds off for the war he goes to Sumerville Western Virginia where the 111th Ohio Regt is in winter quarters.

Jan 16 Cloudy & cold crust on the snow. worked all Day in shop. got the wood work of my sawing machineabout Done. made an auger to tap sugar trees had not saw such a one since I was 6 years old.

Jan 17 Clear & cold. Blacksmithed some. went to Town about noon. Settled with Samuel Chessman owed him 25 7/100 Doll gave him my Due bill for it. Some good war news & some not so good. thawed none to Day. Roads miserable.

Jan 18 Clear & cold. spent good part of the Day in the House. wrote a letter to Amos Gilbert. toward evening I walked (or waded) over to Father Goulbourns horrid walking got Johns new coat.

Jan 19 Clear and warmer. fit up my crank wheel for our sawing machine. took Diner

with Thomas Sharp. Read aletter written by Thos Paine but has not been Printed heretofore it is one of the grandest I ever read even of that great mans writing. I have said great and I repeat it he was the greatest man of the Century.

Jan 20 Cloudy & wet Rained all Day. went to Sharps & finished my iron work for Saw. this evening 5 of our Dead Soldiers arrived from the Battle Field at Murfreesboro Tennessee.

Jan 21 Cloudy & snowing this morning snowed all night is now about one foot Deep. worked in the shop all Day at my wood saw. snowed all Day. Margaret with Sis & Baby visited Mother Hise. to night the young folks have gone Down to Samuel Sharpnacks. Plenty of snow but it is very wet.

Jan 22 Cloudy & foggy snow melting moderately. still at work on my Sawing machine. Sis is Down at Sharpnacks again to night another Party on hand.

Jan 23 Cloudy & warm snow is going off very gradually. Amos Hauled Calvin C Moore a cord of wood (not worth much) but all we had. we took our sawing Machine out of the Shop & sett it up.

Jan 24 Cloudy & warm. Bought our Saw and got everything about Ready to Run. it has took abundance more work than I supposed when I commenced it.

Jan 25 Clear & warm the snow must go fast to Day. 1/2 soled my Boots and nailed them thoroughly. got some sick at the Stomack about 2 O'clock laid still awhile and got some better must Drink Bitters. warm with indications of Rain. wrote a letter to A P Phillips of west philadelphia.

Jan 26 Cloudy & wet Raining at 6 O'clock AM. Blacksmithed a little. went to sharps & made a Roller and some other fixings for our Sawing machine.

Jan 27 Cloudy & a little colder snowed considerable last night. Done some work at our machine.

Jan 28 Cloudy & cool. Roads as bad as can be. hauled some brick to Doc Hardman. Amos hauled a load of wood to Sis Wait. Margaret Sis & I took Supper with Sarah & Joel.

Jan 29 Clear & Pleasant over head but most wretched underfoot. spent the Day up town. Sold a lot that I bought of Wm Dixon to J M Knowles for 2 Hundred Dollars he is to Pay me the first of next April.

Jan 30 Cloudy with Plenty of snow and more falling. was out to Robt Tolertons of an errand. worked in shop in afternoon. got a letter from Amos Gilbert. Mother Hise is here to night.

Jan 31 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. worked all Day at our Sawing machine got it sett up and about Ready to Run. heard that Joseph Ball of Iowa arrived this morning want to see him.

Feb 1 Cloudy and a little colder this morning. no sledding because of the ground being soft under the snow except in the Road and there it is so cut up it is too Rough. Jesse Hise spent a part of the Day with us.

Feb 2 Clear & Pleasant thawed some in the Sunshine. we hitched to wood Saw to Day but soon Broke. the Horse Power it is too light for 2 Horses and Does not give motion enough. Joseph Ball of Iowa came over to see us. spent the afternoon very agreeably we were all glad to see him.

Feb 3 Cloudy & wind Blowing most Devilish cold. Cris & I hauled one load of Brick and quit. I Repaired our Horse Power want to saw some more wood. Amos is unwell having taken some cold yesterday.

Feb 4 Cloudy & cold. Roads are hard and tolerably smooth. we went to mill this morning after which we sawed wood with one horse and got along well. must have a 2 horse Power and then we can Do a land office Business.

Feb 5 Cloudy & snowing & blowingas hard as it knows how too bad to work out to Day. I went up and helped Jesse Hise in the shop. stormed all Day is plenty of snow. sleighing is now good.

Feb 6 Cloudy & cold. Amos hauled a load of wood to Wait brot us a little coal went home at 4 O'clock. Gertrude Robinson Died very Suddenly this morning about 8 O'clock supposed to be inflamation of the Lungs but I think something alse must have ailed her. I helped carry her Down Stairs and place her on a cooling board it was placed in a bed so that when she is Properly laid out she looks to be asleep in Bed. I like the idea much Particularly where one Dies so suddenly she was up about the House all Day yesterday.

Feb 7 Clear & pleasant in the Sun. Cris & I worked all Day (or nearly so) ironing my sleds got them nearly Done. went up town about 4 O'clock PM Bought Sis a Dress at Heatons cost 2 17/100 Doll. Bought her a sett of Furs at J J Boones for which I Paid 12 Doll they are intended for a Birthday present on the tenth she will be twenty years of age.

Feb 8 Clear & warm will thaw fast to Day. worked awhile in the shop when I was called on by Doctor Webster and Albert Cook who came over to visit us. I was glad to have them Do so notwithstanding we were comparative strangers we had a good sociable time of it. snow melted some to Day Sleighing will soon be gone. Amos Returned at 2 O'clock.

Feb 9 Cloudy & warm. Cris and Amos is getting ice to Day. Sis & I attended the

Funeral of Gertrude Robinson it was a sorrowful time a great many People attended it. Snow melted fast we got in 6 loads of ice. wrote a letter to Smith Townsend.

Feb 10 Cloudy and thawing a little. to much water on our ice to get any more to Day. I worked at the sleds. Amos hauled some wood & Drug logs together ready to saw into stove wood.

Feb 11 Cloudy & thawing moderately. hauled Doc Hardman a load of Brick then went to Washingtonville and got a load of coal. Margaret & the Baby visited up to Mother Hises. Rained a little Roads are getting sloppy.

Feb 12 Cloudy & foggy with indications of a break up Rained considerable through the Day. was out to Sharp & Kings slit out stuff for a Harrow. Sam attended the Funeral of Mrs Baird.

Feb 13 Cloudy & cold froze up last night. finished filling our ice House to Day. thawed considerable in the Sunshine. Tom Hawley Paid me 140 Dollars for Abel Phillips (Don File arrived).

Feb 14 Clear & Pleasant. hauled 2 loads of Brick to Doc Hardman 1 cord of wood to Wait & 1 load of manure Home.

Feb 15 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. went Down to see Cousin Daniel Howel he is very sick had a tiresome walk. Tom Sharp spent the evening with us. Arthur McMillen got his leg Broken in riding Down Hill on a small sled. he is Particularly unfortunate he has only just Recovered from a fall in which he had an arm broken.

Feb 16 Clear & Pleasant. Amos & went up to Spencer Strawns get sled Poles. Bought 3 of Emanuel Hannon gave him one Dollar for them got them home in good time. Cris went to Pitt.

Feb 17 Clear & Pleasant. went to Jacob Sells and got a load of Saw Dust to cover our ice. hauled some manure from Town. made a Pattern for wheel for Horse Power. J F Dickinson & Lizzie is here going to stay all night.

Feb 18 Cloudy & moderate winter weather. Amos hauled wood. I trimmed some of our Apple trees made an axe handle for Enoch Harper of New Lisbon. spent some time up Town. Lizzie Dickinson is stopping with us now.

Feb 19 Cloudy with weather about the same. Amos is hauling wood I called on Jane Ball (at Joseph Fawcetts. spent most of the Day in Town to but little purpose.

Feb 20 Cloudy Drizzled Rain. threshed some Oats & cut corn fodder. in afternoon took a grist to Mill. very muddy to Deep to haul.

Feb 21 Cloud & cold froze up hard this morning. attended John Hunts Sale. Bought a sett of good harness for 9 Dollars also a pair of match Colts coming 3 years old for which I am to Pay 160 Dollars in six months. Mary Hafley is here to stay all night cold east wind blowing at 9 O'clock PM.

Feb 22 Cloudy cold and storming as hard as it knows how snow all over the House inside & out. had intended to go to Hanover to Day but it is too stormy. worked all Day at my sleds got them about Done. stormed all Day.

Feb 23 Cloudy & cold but will thaw a little to Day. finished our sleds hitched to them & went after & brought out Hanna Bangley she is going to Do Heavy work for us. Sawed some wood by Horse Power. Amos Rode Both of our match Horses for the first time they behaved well.

Feb 24 Cloudy with tolerably good Sleighing. Amos is hauling wood & I worked at Sharp & King Making 2 Horse Power to saw wood. Rumor of a Fight at Vicksburg.

Feb 25 Cloudy with weather about the Same.

Feb 26 Amos getting his teeth Plugged. in afternoon we hauled Brick. Roads are too Bad. took Morris Millers horse.

Feb 27 Clear & a little cooler wind in northwest. Cris came home last night. I worked at our Horse Power Amos chopped wood.

Feb 28 Clear & Pleasant to Day is going to be a good Sugar Day. spent most of the Day in Town. Taylor the Carpenter wanted to buy a lot of me but we could not think alike. Bought 44 gal syrup cost 65 cts per gal and one hundred lb Sugar 12 1/2.

Mar 1 Cloudy & moderate winter weather. repaired Harness all Day. stormed some in the way of wind and Rain. was in the House all Day.

Mar 2 Cloudy the ground froze a little. Amos & Cris hauled some Brick and wood. in afternoon we Repaired one of our Brick sheds 8 of us had hard work to Put up the Ridge pole. Bought a molasses gate and topped our syrup. Paid Sister Phebe 7 Dollars.

Mar 3 Cloudy & cold with a very little snow. Amos Cris split wood. I worked at Sharps. Sis & I went to Negro concert pretty good.

Mar 4 Cloudy & cold froze up solid this morning. Amos & Cris is chopping. I Bought X cut Saw Put handles in it & sharpened it up. helped saw some got very tired. Nora our Baby is not Right well to night.

Mar 5 Clear & cold. Amos & Cris is getting wood I worked at the Shop. cold as greenland all Day. Nora seems well to Day.

Mar 6 Cloudy & warmer looks like for Rain. Amos & Cris is working at the wood. I Repaired waggons. Paid Adgate Moore 6 30/100 Doll.

Mar 7 Cloudy with 2 inches of snow Down and more falling. cut & hauled out 5 Saw logs out of Mrs Watterworths woods. Abel Phillips Paid me304 26/100 Doll all he owed me. Paid Amos 5 Doll. quit snowing about noon.

Mar 8 Cloudy and not very cold will thaw some to Day. was over to see Lydia Smith a few minutes Sat about Home the Ballance of the Day. Mary Hick was out to see us she is the Picture of good Health.

Mar 9 Clear at sunrise but clouded up Did not thaw much to Day. woked at Sharps. Amos is hauling and Cris chopping wood.

Mar 10 Clear and cool ground frose hard. spent the Day trying to buy some Rye but did not succeed. Amos has gone up Home having hurt himself a little concluded to rest a Day or two.

Mar 11 Clear & cold. Amos is Back this morning bring the Sad intelegance of the Death of his Brother in law (Miller) Died of lung fever was only sick one week. I Done a little work at Sharps. spent the afternoon Buying Rye Bought 2 small lots. severe snow storm.

Mar 12 Cloudy & cold snowed all night and considerable through the Day. Cris & I worked in the shop. Roads are very bad. Amos is absent yet.

Mar 13 Cloudy & cold snowy at sunrise am tired of winter. must haul some wood to Day. Cris Drove the Team. I worked at Sharps.

Mar 14 Cloudy & cool ground froze hard. spent the Day in Town Bought some more Rye. was on the look out for a horse But Saw none to Suit me that I could Buy. Theopulas Cook Died in the Army at Frankford Ky.

Mar 15 Clear & cold. Mary Beaumont and her Mother visited us to Day was glad to have Do so. Mary Presented Little Nora with a beautiful Sack. Marius R Robinson & Emily (his wife) called a few minutes. heavy thunder an some lightning about 4 O'clock PM.

Mar 16 Clear & quite Pleasant in the Sun. Amos is hauling wood. George Davis came at noon to Day he is going to mould Brick for me. Repairing my waggon. Theo Cooks Remains came home to Day.

Mar 17 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. Theopulus Cook was Burried to Day. I worked in Shop Amos hauled wood & Brick Geo & Cris split wood. Roads are very muddy.

Mar 18 Cloudy & colder Rained hard last night Settled the Roads. Amos & I fenced in our Brick yard. Amos assorted our Potatoes. after Diner we hitched our match Horses Drove them to Town they performed well. Mary Anne & Mattie Chessman are taking Tea with us as I write. Bought 2 lb of Tea cost 2 60/100 Doll.

Mar 19 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard this morning. all hands cleaning up Mrs Watterworths woods. I went to Breakfast & Brainards Sale but seeing nothing that I want I soon came back ground an axe. spent the afternoon in Town.

Mar 20 Cloudy cold and windy. the Boys worked at the clearing I spent the Day in Town. cold wind all Day from the South East.

Mar 21 Cloudy & cold. went Down to Don Howels he is yet very Bad. Uncle Silas came to town together we called at Sister Unas awhile. I spent the Ballance of the Day up Town trying to Buy a Horse could find none to suit me.

Mar 22 Cloudy & warm sugar water runs some to Day. started on foot and walked across country to Thomas Johnsons one mile south west of the centre of Butler Township. crossed some country that I never saw before got Back about 3 O'clock PM. Edmond Smith Marius Robinson Ike Taylor & several others were here in my absence. Father Goulbourn was still here on my Return and took Diner with us.

Mar 23 Cloudy & wet Rained considerable this morning. worked all Day in the shop. Cris commenced enlarging our Cellar which is too Small. Amos hauled some wood. Sarah Smith one of our Old Anti Slavery Friends with two of her Daughters is visiting with us going to stay all night. how glad we all are to see her we pulled together when Anti Slavery was unpopular.

Mar 24 Cloudy warm & wet. helped Eli Fawcett haul some Brick worked some in the shop. Sis took Sarah Smith over to Father Goulbourns & from there to Hannah Bentlys.

Mar 25 Cloudy & wet Rained considerable last night. Digging our cellar larger Amos & I took out the old wall. I blacksmithed some.

Mar 26 Cloudy with ground covered with snow and more falling at 8 O'clock AM. attended Emma Fawcetts sale. Bought several articles cost 4 74/100 Doll Paid for them. things sold high.

Mar 27 Clear & very Pleasant. worked all Day helping the Boys Dig cellar. Lizzie Dickinson and her Father came to Day. went Down to Strattons sawmill to get some scantling Sawed went up the Rail Road to Town. some war news the Rebels have again invaded Kentucky.

Mar 28 Cloudy & cold Rain. J F Dickinson started to go to widow Wilsons Sale. soon quit Raining. I spent most of the Day in Town. Yerkes Howel came out to look at Kate

wants to trade for her. Burnt the lamps out of Sunshine.

Mar 29 Cloudy & cold with the ground covered with snow. went Down to see Don Howell he is no better. from there I went over to Yerkes Recorded the Births of himself wife & children came home in good time.

Mar 30 Clear & cold ground froze hard this morning. the Boys are chopping. I was up town until noon. troops are now passing through to Cincinnatti for Gen Burnside.

Mar 31 Clear & pleasant. worked some in the shop. the Boys finished chopping in afternoon. carted Dirt out of cellar. turned cold and snowed some very Rough weather. March has sustained its character for Rough weather from the start. Bought some Paint to Paint wagon.

Apr 1 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard and covered with Snow very cold wind all Day. spent the Day in town. the Boys threshed some oats and cut up the Ballance of our corn fodder. Cousin Daniel Howell Died this morning at 6 O'clock.

Apr 2 Cloudy & warmer Rained a very little. finished hauling the Dirt out of the cellar. Paid Archibald Woods 498 86/100 Doll. sold some brick worked some at my horse Power. got a Photograph of Mother Hise.

Apr 3 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard this morning. attended the Funeral of Daniel Howell a sorrowful time. took him to greenvilliage Roads so bad it took all Day to make the trip. I took Mother Hise to the House but it was too bad for her to the ground. cold wind at sundown.

Apr 4 Clear & cold wind but sun shone Pleasant. the Boys hauled Brick. I wrote a Deed got it acknowledged and Delivered it to James M Knowles he Paid me two hundred Dollars cash all the Deed called for. no war news. Chessman & I had another talk about a slice of land I talk of Buying of him but was interupted before coming to any conclusion. freezing hard to night.

Apr 5 Cloudy & cold but will soon clear off from appearances. worked some at my horse power. Unkle Silas came over I wrote a letter for him to Sarah Taylor of Bucks Co pennsylvania. Tom Sharp Called in took Supper & spent the evening with us.

Apr 6 Cloudy & Rained a little all Day. hauled a few Brick. worked in the Cellar in afternoon. Deposited 210 Doll in Farmers Bank of Salem. Paid Bell & Callahan 24.54 cts old acct. news of more fighting but nothing particular except that the union arms were victorious. Snowed at Sunsett.

Apr 7 Cloudy & snowing. we all worked in the shop. snowed a little all Day is froze up. hitched our colts up & went to mill Done well.

Apr 8 Cloudy & cold. 3 of us chopped at Joshua Davis. thawed a little in afternoon. Amos hauled Brick. is cold at sundown. Robt Hale Paid 78 Dollars on last monday and to Day 76 42/100 Doll which is all the money he owes me. Deposited it in Farmers Bank. Mrs Post Paid me 5 Dollars owes me 2 yet.

Apr 9 Clear & cold ground froze hard but will thaw to Day. got ready for the masons. finished the ironwork of our wood saw.

Apr 10 Clear & Pleasant. the Masons came on this morning and came near finishing the same Day. attended Auction at Heatons in afternoon Bought some small articles. ground Dried very fast.

Apr 11 Clear windy & warm. the Masons finished our cellar it is now a good size. took 2 Hundred Dollars of John Gordon for 6 months at 6 per cent interest can use it that long to advantage. Amos commenced Plowing for Oats. Bought a Pair of new coarse Boots.

Apr 12 Cloudy & cool. after breakfast I went over to Joseph Fawcetts and settled with him Paid off an old Note 183 Doll. Mr & Mrs Gordon & Mother Hise visited us to Day always glad to see them.

Apr 13 Clear & cool but growed gradually warmer all Day. fenced in our grove & hauled some wood. Amos is Plowing for Oats. Sis has a head ache.

Apr 14 Cloudy & cool. hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon George sowed some of our Oats. Cris is cuting the yard. (Joined the Union League).

Apr 15 Cloudy & cool. finished sowing our Oats. commenced Drizzling Rain. hauled some Brik worked some at our ice house but got too wet and was forced to quit. brot in our wood Sawyer and commenced to overhaul it must finish it up now. attend Heatons Auction.

Apr 16 Cloudy & wet. worked all Day at our wood Sawyer got it about ready to try. Paid Job Lamborn 35 Dollars for wood bought of him. Paid Richard White 2 50/100 Doll for chopping wood. Rained none to Day.

Apr 17 Cloudy & Dull. finished our Sawing machine & used it this afternoon it works to a charm. J F Dickinson & his Daughter (Harriet Anne) took Diner with us.

Apr 18 Cloudy & Dull a little warmer this morning but is still cool. Cris & George chopped wood Amos hauled wood & 3 loads of manure. sold 6 Hundred pounds of hay the first I have sold. I sett out 29 sugar trees one white oak 4 Oak leafed Mountain ash 2 new American weeping willows 2 Kalmanook weeping willows 4 grape vines of 4 varieties (viz) Diana Concord Rebecca & Deleware. (John Gordon is with us.

Apr 19 Clear & Pleasant. walked around with John Deming before breakfast after which

we took a look at Bowns lots I talk of buying a small one. took Margaret & Baby over to Father Goubourns. Amos & I Drove the matches up to Elijah Smiths and swapped them to him for his horse he is to give me 75 Dollarsto boot. took Supper at Father Goulbourns got home about Dark.

Apr 20 Cloudy & Dull But soon cleared off and is very pleasant. Amos & George hauled hay to town. in afternoon Sis & I hitched up the match horses and Drove them Down to Jeremiah Whinneys where I Bought a fine 3 year Old horse. Paid him 107 50/100 Doll for him.

Apr 21 Clear & Pleasant this morning. mended our horse power sawed wood in afternoon. I sett out 20 peach trees Bought a plough share. cool & windy all Day.

Apr 22 Cloudy & cool. hauled some brick threshed the Ballance of our Oats. got a letter from Smith Townsend saying that he had sent 1 hundred Dollars to me by Adams Express I went to the Station & got it Paid 85 cents charges on it. Rained a little to Day. Bought a fresh fish cost 1 Dollar weighed 15 3/4 lb. missed a Day

Apr 24 Cloudy with some more rain last night. wrote a letter to Smith Townsend acknoweling the Receipt of one Hundred Dollars I credited on Moses Townsends note. Bought & sett out 10 Balsam of Fir. cleared off and is very Pleasant. 2 teams hauling wood.

Apr 25 Clear & warm in sun but cool wind from the north west. Done some work in the Door yard but spent most of the Day in Town. Elijah Smith came on according to a previous engagement and he & I changed Horses. I gave him the match team & he gave me his large horse and 75 Dollars in money. I am now all right on a plough team.

Apr 26 Clear & very warm all Day. all our folks went visiting Down to Sister Unos except myself. I shingled one side of our ice house after which little Johnie & I took a walk Down the Rail Road. all got home safe.

Apr 27 Clear & warm. 2 teams hauled wood Amos is plowing with Mike & Charlie. Bought a new plow. I burned brush at Mrs Watterworths and bored out a wheel for horse Power.

Apr 28 Cloudy & threatens Rain. made a little garden hauled Brick & wood. exciting war news. Rumored that the Rebels are marching on Wheeling Va and Uniontown Pa.

Apr 29 Cloudy but no Rain yet. hauling wood & preparing the Brick yard. Pidgeon commenced moulding to Day. Planted some Peas & Beans.

Apr 30 Cloudy & cold. Charlies shoulder so sore we are not going to Plow him to Day. Amos & I Sawed wood until noon our machine Done fine.

May 1 Clear & cool. worked some on the yard but spent most of the Day getting a Photograph of our House. clear & warm all Day.

May 2 Cloudy but little Prospects of Rain. Cris & Geo are on the yard. I Done but little work to Day. Bought 10 bushels of Oats of Sam Chessman for which I Paid him 60 cents per bushel.

May 3 Clear & warm. got up at Daylight walked Down to John Zimmermans old Farm hired one of his Daughters to work for us. no Prospects of Rain. worked some in the wood shop. at 4 O'clock PM hitched up Charlie & John & I started Down after Lizzie Zimmerman. commenced Raining before we got home got wet.

May 4 Cloudy & wet. all my hands 7 in number are on hand this morning. put shed poles & hauled brick. Plowed some and Done up shores all Day. good news from the Potomoc Army.

May 5 Cloudy & wet. the Boys picked stone hauled sod & Dirt from woods. Built some shed at the yard. I worked in shop some of the Day. Paid Dan Hewitt 47 97/100 Doll gave him check to Thomas & Greiner. got a photograph of House going to send it to Amos Gilbert Lancaster Co Pennsylvania. wet all Day.

May 6 Cloudy & wet. some got wood some hauled and some worked on the Brick yard Repairing sheds. no additional war news to Day nothing startling to Record. sent a letter to John Deming of Cincinnati asking for the Plat of "Bowns Lots". C. C. Vallandingham of Dayton, Ohio was arrested on yesterday for Disloyalty he was taken to Cincinnati for trial.

May 7 Cloudy & cold & wet. some hauled wood and the Ballance stuck up lumber at the Sawmill. I went to Town in afternoon. the war news is Discouraging. I am afraid Hooker is bad whipped. sent a letter to Moses Townsend he is at Lagrange Tennessee.

May 8 Clear & in the East and cool had more Rain last night but looks this morning as though it was over for the Present. made shed & hauled wood.

May 9 Cloudy but no Prospect of Rain. several work on the yard & some haul wood. I Bought 12 bushels of Potatoes cost 60 cents per bushel. Paid Delonna Stoufer & John Moore ten Dollars each for chopping wood. news to Day that Richmond is Captured but I will not shout until it is confirmed.

May 10 Clear & Pleasant. I got up early finished a terrace in the Door yard and Put in the Ballance of the Day working at a little carriage for Nora. Mother McMillen & Mary Hise visited us this afternoon. Reports that Richmond is taken are flying over the Telegraph all Day (hope to God it is true).

May 11 Clear & Plesant. Kate has two colts this morning both Dead of Course.

commenced moulding Brick. war news is still good to Day. Fred Smith commenced Digging clay.

May 12 Clear & Pleasant. repaired our hoes & worked some at the little Carriage before breakfast. all hands making Brick to Day. at 4 O'clock PM we had a heavy Rain accompanied with Hail (very large) got most of our Brick up.

May 13 Cloudy & wet got up early went to Joel Strattons Sawmill through the Rain and helped him Roll in 2 of mySawlogs to make stuff for gates. Amos went to Mr Gordons and Bought 100 Bundles of Rye Straw cost 5 Dollars. the rest of us went into the cellar and cleaned it out and Repainted it up about right. no Rain since 7 O'clock (I write at noon. in afternoon we uncovered clay & made Road at the Brick yard.

May 14 Cloudy & wet Rained some in the night. Some cut Canal at the Brick yard others cut & hauled Saw logs. in afternoon both teams hauled Brick. quite cold toward night I fear if it should clear off we shall have a big frost.

May 15 Cleared off some but I see no frost hope all is safe yet. Amos is at work at the corn ground the Ballance Dug clay until noon. Cris molded Brick in afternoon Geo helped Amos strike out corn ground I hauled a couple of loads of Sand. cold all Day.

May 16 Cloudy & cold. PLanted our corn and took some brick. very little cold Rain. George went home this morning with the Ague.

May 17 Cloudy & cool. worked most of the Day on the little carriage got it about Done (the wood work). Marius & Emly Robinson called in and Spent a few hours with us.

May 18 Cloudy & Partially clear. Amos is molding Brick Geo is not well enough. Norman Flick came on to work for me this morning he is farming at Present. Paid Geo 1 Dollar. Bought 60 1/2 lb of Bacon cost 8 cts per lb. cold at sundown.

May 19 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. Norman Flick & I planted potatoes all Day all the rest worked on the yard got 8000 made to Day.

May 20 Clear & warm all Day. Planted Potatoes made 8000 Brick. excellent weather now.

May 21 Clear & warm. Jesse Deetrick has a sore foot but one sett making Brick. the hauled sand & finished planting Potatoes.

May 22 Clear & very warm. hauled Brick & Sand in forenoon. in afternoon took care of Brick. lots of war news.

May 23 Clear & hot. Dug Ditch in forenoon. in afternoon took care of Brick. Paid Cris 5 Dollars.

May 24 Clear & warm. helped Samuel Sharpnack Drive on of our Bulls Down to his house he is going to pasture him for his use this Sumer. made 8 hame straps washed and shaved and am now jotting it Down and am so sleepy that I can scarcely write.

May 25 Clear at sunrise But a few clouds are hovering in the northwest hope they may bring us some Rain. cheering war news.

May 26 Clear & warm. all hands at the Brick yard. Margaret & Nora was up to Jesse Hises this afternoon. I sett Brick most of the Day. got a letter from Moses Townsend was very glad to hear from him.

May 27 Clear & warm. wrote a letter to Moses Townsend he is at Lagrange Tennessee. a little before noon Dilwin Townsend & his mother called to see us. they stayed and took Diner after which they Paid me three Hundred Dollars for Moses. I credited it on his note and gave ann a Receipt also. Amos planted our white Beans.

May 28 Clear & cool no prospect of Rain. worked on the yard all Day. Paid Nicholas Shaffer 5 Dollars. Bought a peck of Dried Peaches cost one Dollar. bought a quarter of veal cost 92 cents.

May 29 Clear & cool but a change of air indicative of Rain hope it may come. worked all Day on the yard. covered our Brick in hopes of Rain but a t 8 O'clock PM looks Doubtful.

May 30 Cloudy with a little Rain about 3 O'clock this morning. some took in and others sett Brick got along very well. Forney Reed & Amos all went home at noon.

May 31 Cloudy & looks some like Rain. Cris & I got up early and tried to shoot blackbirds but they were too cunning for us. Rode Charlie Down to Egypt to see a colt the owner wanted to trade me but I Did not like it well enough to trade. Returned put the Horse in Pasture and walked over to grandfather Goulbourns where I met Margaret Sis & baby. after taking a good nap of sleep and some supper we came home. Charley Grizzell called a few minutes to chat. considerable thunder & lightning at sunsett.

Jun 1 Cloudy & very windy. Amos & I Sawed wood in forenoon an afternoon all hands made brick. Tip Dickinson was here this afternoon. some Rain last night. Paid Geo Davidson 29 Dollars all I owed him he has quit and gone home.

Jun 2 Cloudy & windy all Day but little Prospects of Rain. worked on the yard. Cris moulded 6182 Brick before 6 O'clock PM. Amos went for a girl for Joel McMillen.

Jun 3 Cloudy & clear at intervals but cleared off and is very fine weather. all hands idle to Day Circus on hand. I went took the two little boys was a right good performance. Sold Charlie for 140 Dollars to A P Philips.

Jun 4 Clear & cool a little frost but not to hurt anything. Boys all slept late was up to the show last night. I got up early hoed a little in the garden fed the hogs etc etc. worked on the yard.

Jun 5 Clear & Pleasant. Thomas Cooper commenced offbearing & Forney commenced molding to Day. got a letter from Smith Townsend saying he had shipped by Express one hundred Dollars for Moses Townsend. I went and got it and credited it on his note. cold & windy at Dark covered our Brick.

Jun 6 Cloudy & Drizzled Rain a very little but soon cleared off but cold wind all Day. worked in the yard until noon. in afternoon got Calvin C Moore to Survey my lot that I Bought of Mrs Bown. just as we got it Done along came two little Boys crying that Elly Betz was Drowned in Strattons Dam. Jehu Strawn C.C. Moore & myself Started at once to Rescue him. Strawn arrived first but I was there before he got into the water. he soon plunged in and after a couple of minutes search found the lad. he brot him within Reach when I assisted him and we laid him on the green bank and Done what we could to Resusitate him but in vain. Doc Carey arrived in a few minutes and applied all the Remedies in his Power but the vital Spark had gone out never more to be Rekindled. we lapped him up in my coat & blanket got of Mrs Horner and Henry Judd & I laid him across our laps & brot him in a buggy home. I never saw so sorrowful a house before it must have been very hard for the Parents he having left them but an hour before in all the vigor of Boyhood. he was Rather a Promising boy 13 years old and well Developed in every Particular. May I never see so sad a scene again.

Jun 7 Cloudy & cold. Margaret Sis & I (&of course the Baby) all went out to Jo Saxons Mr & Mrs Gordon met us there. we had a Pleasant visit Returned at sunsett.

Jun 8 Clear & cool. but one sett of hands at work to Day. in afternoon I attended the funeral of Elly Betz who was Drowned on Saturday. a very large concourse of people there.

Jun 9 Clear & cool very Dry now. offbore Brick am too tired to write much. go early to bed.

Jun 10 Clear & warmer some indications of Rain. still offbearing Brick. sold a 3 year old heifer yesterday for $16.50 cents. at Dark looks some like Rain.

Jun 11 Cloudy & wet Rained some last night our Brick were all covered. sett Brick all Day got along well. Rained several showers through the Day but very moderately. Florrine Stafford arrived to Day from Pittsburgh she is going to stay a few Days. cloudy at Dark.

Jun 12 Cloudy & wet. all hands sett Brick got along fine.

Jun 13 Cloudy & clear at intervals. sett up all our Brick to Dry that was under the shed. one sett of hands moulded.

Jun 14 Clear & warm. Put Patent lock on my wagon cleaned our the cellar. Lydia E Smith visited us with her 3 Babies she has her hands full. E T Vickers & wife called a few minutes.

Jun 15 Clear warm. offbore brick to Day. Jesse Deetrick got mad and left am not sorry for it. he is not worth much as an offborer. looks a little like Rain at sunsett.

Jun 16 Clear & warm all signs of Rain vanished this morning. offbore brick until 3 O'clock PM when our clay got so wet we were forced to quit. we ____got out 3000.

Jun 17 Clear & hot. only one sett of hands at work to Day. Cris offbore. at sundown it looks like Rain.

Jun 18 Clear and no Rain of consequence. one sett of hands moulding the Ballance are setting brick. Forney Returned to Day. Paid John Saxon 211 20/100 Doll for corner lot bot of Sarah Bown of Cincinnati.

Jun 19 Cloudy and Rained a few Drops at sun rise but soon cleared off and is as Dry as can be. worked on the yard all Day. Jesse Webb Paid me 101 78/100 Doll on account of Brick. I Paid Amos Aspey 5 Dollars. brot Noras little Carriage home it is very nice.

Jun 20 Cloudy & threatens Rain at sunrise. we covered our brick cased at the Kiln all Day. Rained considerable through the Day is cool at sunsett.

Jun 21 Cloudy & Dull. we all visited at Caleb Arners had a pleasant time got home about sunsett. had some Rain.

Jun 22 Cloudy. all hands casing and some casing the Kiln. Rained several good showers. Ann Townsend paid me one hundred Dollars for Moses Townsend. cool & Raw. Paid my wood choppers off have a good lot of wood.

Jun 23 Cloudy & cool. finished casing our Kiln Sett it on fire at noon. I Done but little work in forenoon. in afternoon I made wheelbarrow wheel. Mrs Chaney an old resident of Salem but who now lives in Lima Allen Co Ohio visited us this afternoon.

Jun 24 Clear & Pleasant. I attended the Kiln and both sett of hands made Brick. Sold my black mare for one hundred & ten Dollars the same I gave for her. am glad to get shut of her she is unsafe.

Jun 25 Cloudy but little Prospects of Rain. loaded brick. Amos is hauling wood. Margaret & I attended a Political Lecture. I could not hear Distinctly and we came home before it was out. (Bought Sewing machine (70D).

Jun 26 Cloudy & very warm. Done schores to Day. everything appears to be working for the best.

Jun 27 Cloudy & Foggy fog came Down. worked at Brick Moulds. Rained hard about 6 O'clock PM.

Jun 28 Cloudy but pleasant. Margaret Sis Florrine & myself all went visiting to John Gordons. met Caleb Arner & wife Joseph Saxon & wife Jeremiah Dickinson & Lizzie & Jeremiah Saxon & his wife. had a very Pleasant visit (Marius & Emly Robinson was also there) the latter came as far as her home in our Carriage got home about Sunsett.

Jun 29 Clear & cloudy at intervals. our Kiln is Doing fine. Rained hard at 3 O'clock PM ground is well wet now.

Jun 30 Clear & cloudy at intervals all Day. worked some at the yard. no Rain to Day. Sam Townsend Paid me 96 Dollars for his brother Moses.

Jul 1 Clear & very warm. shut our Kiln this morning think we have a good burn. made a sett of Brick moulds 3 brick in each. have to get Boys to offbear men are scarce.

Jul 2 Clear & cloudy at intervals great growing weather. both sett of hand making brick. shut up our Kiln this morning. looks some like Rain at Dark.

Jul 3 Clear & warm. all going right on the yard. made some more brick moulds. good war news to Day.

Jul 4 Cloudy & warm with some Rain last night. I carted Dirt out of Door yard worked very hard all Day am very tired. good war news this evening. fine Rain at 7 O'clock PM. Jeremiah Saxon & wife are with us going to stay all night.

Jul 5 Clear & warm. spent part of the Day up Town. good news from the Army Lee will be captured in Penn. Father & Mother Goulbourn called a short time.

Jul 6 Clear & warm. good news this morning our Army is victorious in Pennsylvania. Fred Smith quit to Day 571 cents in Debt glad it is no more. hired another man in his Place. Wm Hewett Returned from the Army on a 20 Day Furlough he looks well.

Jul 7 Clear & warm. bought a splendid Peice of beef cost 10 cts per lb. Jo Venable is cutting my wheat is as nice as I ever saw. Reason Frones is helping me bind it up. Rained at 4 O'clock. we got 71 Doz. went to Town found all in an uproar of excitement over the news of the Fall of Vicksburgh. it surrendered on the 4th of July 24000 troops with all their vast accumulation of arms and Cannon. the Cannon is being fired in honor of the event.

Jul 8 Cloudy at Day light but cleared off and is fine weather. worked on the yard all Day.

Jul 9 Cloudy & Dull all Day. worked on the yard Amos hauled some sand.

Jul 10 Cloudy & Dull. Amos finished cutting our wheat I Dug some clay.

Jul 11 Cloudy & Dull at 6 O'clock AM. I Dug clay & loaded brick. got 44000 made this week.

Jul 12 Cloudy & Dull all Day. in forenoon went Down to Fred Smiths hired him again to Dig clay. I am to Pay him 75 cents for Digging 4000 until the first of August when he is to Do it for 62 1/2 cts. Margaret & I visited at Marius Robinsons got home in Daylight.

Jul 13 Cloudy & Dull weather just the Same. all hands making Brick. Rained a very little at 6 O'clock PM. Theodore Brady Burried to Day. he Died suddenly at Braddocks Fields above Pittsburgh. he was buried in the Baptists burrying ground in Salem.

Jul 14 Cloudy & Damp. Rained beautifully last night. all hands are setting Brick to Day. I Done but little Dont feel like working.

Jul 15 Cloudy at sunrise but cleared off Partially but at 5 O'clock PM clouded up and as sunsett is as cloudy & Dull as ever. wrote a letter to David Woodruff. engaged Robt Tolerton to cut one field of grass for us tomorrow if the weather is fit.

Jul 16 Clear & Pleasant. James Tolerton mowed a Part of our grass but the ground is too rough. Amos hauled in one load of hay.

Jul 17 Clear & Pleasant. Amos & I mowed the ballance of our Field of grass hauled in 2 loads. I worked some in the shop.

Jul 18 Clear & cool. hauled in my field of Hay as good as can be.

Jul 19 Clear & warm. went for berries but got none. Isaac Crumrine & wife visited us. took a good rest to Day.

Jul 20 Cloudy & Pleasant. hauled in our wheat and mowed some grass. got Calvin Moores Black Mare to haul with. got it in just before it commenced Raining. Rained from 5 O'clock until Dark is wet at bedtime.

Jul 21 Cloudy & wet. all hands laid in bed until6 O'clock got a late start to Day. we can sett Brick. Cloudy & Dull all Day.

Jul 22 Cloudy & foggy. got up at 5 O'clock & Amos & I mowed Down the Ballance of our Front meadow & hauled it in. Splendid weather now.

Jul 23 Clear & Pleasant all Day. worked at the yard got along Pretty well.

Jul 24 Clear & cloudy at intervals. all worked on the yard. looks some like Rain at Dark.

Jul 25 Cloudy with a little Rain last night. I got up at 11 O'clock went up and covered the Brick but it Did not Rain enough to hurt them. Remained cloudy most of the Day. Daniel Sharpnack is at home on a Furlough he is here to night.

Jul 26 Clear & warm. Done some Repair to my Buggy. at 1/2 past 8 AM the alarm Bell rang on getting to Town found a messenger had arrived saying that John Morgan the notorious Gaurillia was at Salineville and was heading toward Salem. he was come up with and attacked 1 1/2 miles from Salineville. 20 of his men killed and 200 taken Prisoners after which his command Seems to have separated one column Driving toward Salem and the Other towards New Lisbon but at 11 O'clock they concentrated at McKegs Mills where the Lisbon Soldiers met them. capitulating with them they agreeing to leave Lisbon to the right if Lisbon would furnish them a Pilot to Smiths Ferry. But they had not Proceeded more than a couple of miles before they were overtaken by Gen Shackelford with a force of 700 Cavalry to whom they Surrendered without a Fight. all this time Salem was anxiously awaiting their arrival. Some 500 men well armed were Parading the Streets the Ladies all busy carrying Provisions to them. I was Detailed with a squad of choppers to obstruct the Road but was saved the trouble by his capture. all Dispersed with on (no) accident of any kind.

Jul 27 Cloud warm. worked at yard all Day. John Stanley mowed the Ballance of our grass. Paid him 4 70/100 Doll for it. Forney is absent to Day and 2 little Boys are offbearing.

Jul 28 Clear & warm. Amos Raked up one half of our hay and we commenced hauling it in but the war Committee got up a big scare about 2 O'clock and we all left and went up town. a small Squad of Morgans men are Prowling around the Yellow Creek hills which gave rise the scare.

Jul 29 Clear & warm. got in all our hay. I hauled sand in afternoon. Amos quit. I thought to haul in Oats but found it too wet. hauled a load of Sand. a fine Rain at 5 O'clock PM.

Jul 30 Cloudy & looks some like Rain. Amos cut our Oats. Rained a good Shower about 4 Oclock P.M. Paid William Kidd 25 Dollars for Phebe Henshillswood. She owed his Father that amount for a sewing machine. I Bought her Corn and ___ for the machine, so that now all is square.

Jul 31 Clear & Pleasant with considerable Rain last night. Sett Brik to Day.

Aug 1 Clear & warm. Sett brick some. Bound up our Oats. I am a little unwell but nothing serious the matter.

Aug 2 Clear & very warm. Repaired my buggy. Made a sett of moulds and a new shoeing box.

Aug 3 Clear & very hot. Hauled in 3 loads of oats when it Rained. Got a stick for tempering tub. Hard work loading it.

Aug 4 Clear & warm. Bought 187-1/2# of sugar. Cost 12-3/4 per #. Paid Amos ten Dollars. He is unwell. Is going to quit. I thought to haul in Oats, but found it too wet. Hauled a load of wood. A fine Rain at 5 Oclock P.M.

Aug 5 Cloudy & very warm. made a new crib and Put it in took me all Day worked hard at that. Forney quit this evening talks some of coming back on monday. Paid him 15 Dollars.

Aug 6 Cloudy & Dull. Abram Meris is here to take Forneys Place but I Do not expect he can fill it. cleared off. Dried our Oats & hauled it in. little Henry Venable helped me.

Aug 7 Clear & warm. hauled Sand in forenoon. in afternoon worked on the yard. took tea with James Woodruff. looks some like rain at sunsett.

Aug 8 Cloudy but no Rain. aall hands setting brick we must burn a kiln as soon as Possible. Eliza Hick visited us this afternoon glad to see her.

Aug 9 Clear & warm. got up early fixed up my wagon ready for hauling wood. settled with Amos Aspey owed & Paid him $ ___ Dollar and five cents. settled with E Forney owed him four Dollars and 19 cents.

Aug 10 Clear & warm a few clouds through the Day but no Rain. we are out of wash water the girls have to go to Father Goulbourns to wash. Started 2 teams to hauling wood. sett Brick all Day. Calvin Elliot came on to work for me he is going to haul out the manure Plow the ground and sow my wheat.

Aug 11 Clear & very warm. setting Brick and hauling wood. fine Rain at 5 O'clock PM. wind blowed hard most of the Day.

Aug 12 Cloudy but rain is over for the Present. got our Kiln sett & some of the casing on. cleared off and is fine warm weather as can be. Margaret is 43 years old to Day. Henry Adams Paid me 25 Doll.

Aug 13 Clear & cool early in the Day but after the Sun got up it was warm enough. cased up our Kiln. Sis & Florrine started to Pittsburgh at 5 O'clock PM. Mother Hise Returned from Ravenna where she has been spending a couple of weeks with Lizzie Wait.

Aug 14 Clear & warm. finished casing our Kiln & sett fire to it. Joshua Daviss teams are

hauling wood he hauls for 75 cents per cord. Amos Gilbert Died.

Aug 15 Clear & hot. went up to Wares Saw Mill to buy boards but could not cost too much. got back at noon spent the afternoon in town.

Aug 16 Cloudy and warm. Geo Fleck came on this morning and Papered our Hall. I assisted him what I could. splendid Rain in afternoon.

Aug 17 Cloudy & Dull at sunrise but soon cleared off and is very Pleasant. Calvin Elliot is hauling out manure. Doc & I threshed 30 Doz of Oats got 12 1/4 bushels of Oats.

Aug 18 Clear & cool. am very Dull to Day. sett up with the Kiln which is Doing well. one sett of hands making brick to Day.

Aug 19 Clear & Pleasant. Nathan Chestnut (our molder) sick to Day. hauled some sand. I Done but little work. got a letter announcing the Death of Amos Gilbert.

Aug 20 Clear & warm. am threshing wheat to Day threshed 35 Doz an quit. am some sleepy Dont pay to work night and Day both.

Aug 21 Clear & warm. cleaned up our wheat had 28 bushels good turn out. cut and reeded my buggy tire.

Aug 22 Clear & warm. Settled with Mr Shaffer he has hauled up to Aug 22nd 435,860 Brick which came to 195 Dollars and 76 cents owed him 32 Dollars and 50 cents gave him a check for the money we are now square. Doc & I fitted 2 pits. am tired shut our Kiln have a good burn.

Aug 23 Cloudy warm with indications of Rain. got up at 2 O'clock AM. went Down to Kiln Put up all the Brick that was Down and covered them. finished a sett of Brick Moulds. J F Dickinson & Hannah Wilson (his Daughter) came to see Lizzie who is very sick.

Aug 24 Clear & windy. Allen Fairfax &I went Down to chop wood. wind blowed hard all Day about 3 O'clock it blowed up a slight Rain. we came home and ground our axes. came home and found little Nora Dangerously sick took her in my arms and made her as comfortable as Possible.

Aug 25 Cloudy with considerable rain last night. Paid Calvin Elliot off he is not the kind of hand I like. little Nora is very Poorly still Margaret & I were up all night with her the Doctor says she is teething. wrote a letter to Mary Anne whos is absent on a visit but Margaret thought perhaps I had as well not send for her yet as Pet may get no worse but I am Really Alarmed for her. I have waited on her most of the Day. Mother Hise is here at 1 O'clock as I write. I am so sleepy myself that I can Scarcely write. Pet slep Soundly until 1/2 Past ten O'clock PM when she awoke apparently much better.

Aug 26 Clear & cool. Nora rested well all night and this morning is very much better we are all Rejoiced indeed. Wm Mercer commenced moulding brick to Day Nathan Chestnut having got tired & quit. fine weather to make Brick want to get Done as soon as Possible. Mr and Mrs Gordon called and spent a few hours with us very Profitable to me indeed. Nora still appears to be getting better. Eliza came to live with us.

Aug 27 Clear & cool some frost in low places. got up at Daylight Nora rested well last night. I expected to have chopped wood to Day but could get no one to help. went & chopped a little by myself but soon got tired and came home.

Aug 28 Clear & cool. Jo Venable & I chopped to Day got about Done for the Present. Nora has got about well. Blowed and Rained a little.

Aug 29 Cloudy & warm. Rained a very little but the Boys got out their Days work. Moses Townsend his wife and Son called on us took Diner. Paid me 61 Dollars & thirty cents the Ballance he was owing on the Sawmill. I gave him one Hundred Dollars he has had Bad luck was Drafted into the Army and has just Returned Sick. took them up town in the Carriage.

Aug 30 Clear & cool. got up early & repaired Fred Smiths Pump Box. Geo Fleck came on and Papered our Parlor. lots of callers to Day among them Hannah and Daniel Strawn. Lizzie Dickinson is much better.

Sep 1 Clear & warm all Day. worked on the yard commenced hauling out our 2nd Kiln. went to Robt Tolertons and Borrowed 2 Old Wagon tire for well curb. must try another well.

Sep 2 Clear & Pleasant But air is changed & feels favorable for Rain. worked at the yard all Day got in a good many Brick. Paid my license to sell Brick (ten Dollars). got a letter from Sis.

Sep 3 Cloudy & wet with heavy rain at Day light. got a number of Brick spoiled and all hands got a good wetting. sett Brick all Day.

Sep 4 Cloudy & Dull. Doc commenced Plowing the wheat ground. the Ballance sett Brick until noon. Both sett of hands moulded in afternoon.

Sep 5 Clear & warm. all hands took in Brick got all in that was fit to go in. Did not loose as many by the Rain a we expected the Dogs spoiled more last night than the Rain Did. Mary Anne came home on the 3 O'clock Train well pleased with her visit and we to see her home Safe.

Sep 6 Clear & warm with some Rain last night. got out Staves for a small tub I want to make after awhile. Strolled around Town some looking at the improvements but spent

most of the Day at home. Rained a fine Shower at 4 PM.

Sep 7 Cloudy & Dull all Day. Both sett of hands made Brick. Rained a little through the Day but not enough to hinder much but Brick Dried none.

Sep 8 Cloudy with a little Rain. both sett of hands molded one filling the yard. Pidgeon finished moulding to Day. looks like Rain. is very warm as I write at 7 O'clock PM.

Sep 9 Cloudy with Some Rain last night. sett Brick until noon. molded in afternoon. cleared off and is cool this afternoon. Put up what Brick we could this afternoon.

Sep 10 Clear & warm. all hands went to New Lisbon to a Political Meeting and such a one I never before Saw. not less than one thousand vehicles including Buggies were there. there was not Room enough in the Place to form in order consequently it could not be seen to advantage. as vast as the assembly was I saw no man the worse for liquor. Dont think there was a Drunk man on the ground. got back safe about sunsett.

Sep 11 Clear & warm. all hands making Brick to Day. this afternoon we had visitors Edward Kidd and wife and Jane Gibbons all from Wisconsin Elizabeth Ball of Iowa also Mother Hise Mary Hise Sister Una and Mary Gee making altogether quite a crowd. Rained a little about sunsett.

Sep 12 Cloudy & wet Rained all night. I am fifty years old to Day. sett Brick all Day.

Sep 13 Clear & Pleasant. spent an hour or two at Joels the Ballance of the Day at home. Put up our Brick that was Down.

Sep 14 Cloudy & Foggy but at noon is clear & fine. all hands making Brick I loaded all Day.

Sep 15 Clear & warm. Jo Venable sowed our wheat. all hands making brick I loaded. settle with Nathan Chestnut owed 5 Dollars & 55 cents Paid him the five Dollars.

Sep 16 Clear and starlight at 2 O'clock AM. I am to start to Cleveland to the State Fair on the next train which is Due in about one hour. I am jotting it Down to ‘wile away the hour’. John Gordon is to meet me at the Depot (I'm off).

Sep 17 Clear & warm. got Back safe about midnight had but a short time to visit the Fair but Put it in to advantage. saw a great deal of stuff of one kind and another. a vast amount of People were there and everything Passed of satisfactorily. I left Mr Gordon there. had some trouble at Alliance with Charles Yates he got so Drunk he could not Stand. Wm Hoops Isaac Barber & myself after considerable trouble got him into the Cars and brot him to Salem. after some consultation among ourselves we concluded to take to a Hotel he having got sober enough to walk. Wm & Isaac (before named) said they could take him. leaving them with him I wended my way home found all sound asleep got into

bed without Disturbing anyone.

Sep 18 threshed 10 bushels of wheat and 13 of Oats. at noon the Boys brot the word that Charles Yates was Dead having fell out of the 3rd story window onto the Pavement below. he has fallen an early victim to Bad whiskey but such is the fate of all sooner or later who indulges that way. Cloudy & wet Rained last night. I have a cold and shall Do nothing to Day. sett about the stoves & shops all Day. checked out 20 Dollars. Drizzled Rain several times through the Day. got a letter from Brother Geo of Iowa.

Sep 19 Clear & cool But is going to be Pleasant. myself and 2 of the girls went to Alliance to hear John Brough. had a good speech and Pleasant trip got back Safe at 8 O'clock PM.

Sep 20 Clear & cool considerable Frost this morning. Margaret Sis & I went out to John Gordons. I helped Prepare his waggon for the meeting to be held at Canfield tomorrow. lettered a Banner with the following motto suggested by John Gordon "Hemp Hell or Canada for Traitors". I got home about 9 O'clock.

Sep 21 Clear & cold. Margaret went up to Canfield with Mrs Gordon. cool all Day Rained a little this afternoon. Margaret got back safe had a very large meeting.

Sep 22 Clear & cool all Day but good weather to make Brick all hands at it. I Dug some clay. Rosecrans has had another severe Fight.

Sep 23 Clear & fine Brick weather. got out 6000 thousand I helped haul. no news from Rosecrans.

Sep 24 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up. the boys cut up our corn. I put up what brick we had Down come near getting them wet but by hard work and with a little help we got them covered.

Sep 25 Cloudy & cold all Day. the Boys sett brick to Day. Geo Martin & I framed and Put up the addition to our House. got it up ready to weatherboard.

Sep 26 Clear & cloudy at intervals. I hauled Brick the Boys Dug clay & took in Brick.

Sep 27 Clear & Pleasant. took a walk early over to Father Goulbourns took breakfast with them. went from there up to Town got the Cincinnati Commercial but little news in it. Thomas Kennett Esq & his wife visited us was glad to have them Do so. he & I are about an age and have saw other every few Days for the last 40 years.

Sep 28 Clear & warm. all hands making Brick to Day I Dug clay. am some tired will go early to bed. looks a little like Rain at sunsett.

Sep 29 Clear as can be no sign of Rain this morning. Dug clay and loaded some Brick.

the Militia trained here to Day. a great many People in Town. Judge Day speaks in Concert Hall this evening.

Sep 30 Clear and warm. Lawson Harper is Digging clay for me to Day I am helping haul Brick. Jehu Fawcett Paid me 61 80/100 Doll for Paving Brick.

Oct 1 Clear & a little cooler but still Pleasant. 3 or 4 more fine Days will Do us for Brickmaking this year. I wish we were Done now.

Oct 2 Cloudy & wet Rained all night moderately. some sett Brick. Doc & I hauled a load of Straw in forenoon. in afternoon we Sawed wood by horse Power got along well. I omitted to say in the Proper place that I subscribed for the Cincinnati Daily Commercial on yesterday for one year.

Oct 3 Clear & cool. yard too wet to mould. some are hauling Brick others taking in and setting them. I Received a very Pretty letter from Tacy Gilbert Daughter of Benjamin Gilbert of Lancaste Co Pennsylvania enclosing a Photograph of Amos Gilbert my Old and true Friend who has lately left this world to test the Realities of another. heard from 11 Regiment Salem Boys all right. Rained about 9 O'clock PM we covered our Brick before it Rained much.

Oct 4 Clear or Partially so at sunrise & cool but soon clouded up and Drizzled rain a little at times all Day. carpentered all Day worked out the flooring for my edition. in evening wrote a letter to Tacy Gilbert of Lancaster Co Pa.

Oct 5 Cloudy & cool all Day. the Boys are casing our Kiln. Settled with Nicholas Shaffer owed & Paid him 17 98/100 Doll.

Oct 6 Cloudy & cold all Day. made 6000 Brick cold work but we want to fill the shed if Possible. I hauled in afternoon. some Prospect of clearing off at sundown.

Oct 7 Cloudy & wet Drizzled Rain all Day. Cris & I went to Alliance to look out a sight for Brick yard. found a good Place expect to make there. got Back at 6 1/2 O'clock PM.

Oct 8 Cloudy & Dull. Paid Abram Moris off 30 80/100 Doll. shall have to give up Brick making for this fall. Sold Kate to Father Goulbourn.

Oct 9 Cloudy & wet. finished threshing our wheat. I carpentered most of the Day shod our Horses.

Oct 10 Cloudy & wet. finished our wheat I carpentered. Charles Douglas of Norwich Connecticut an old Friend. Baby has a Bad cold.

Oct 11 Clear & Pleasant at sunrise cold last night. Charles stayed with us until about noon he went from here to Tom Sharps. I Carpentered all the afternoon.

Oct 12 Clear & Pleasant with heavy frost last night. helped haul brick to Day. the Boys are closing the Kiln fine weather.

Oct 13 Clear & Pleasant. Interesting Election for Governor of Ohio to Day. John Brough & C L Valandigham are the Candidates I voted for Brough. hauled Brick all Day. the Boys finished setting our last Kiln.

Oct 14 Clear & warm. hauled Brick the Boys have the Kiln ready to fire. Brough is elected by about one hundred majority.

Oct 15 Clear & very Pleasant. sett our Kiln on fire this morning. 2 of our hands Dug Potatoes 2 hauled brick. Sally Street & Mrs Jon Sheets Jr visited with us this afternoon.

Oct 16 Cloudy & wet Rained considerable through the Day. hauled Brick in forenoon. in afternoon Carpentered. got a letter from Mary Gilbert enclosing some last words of Amos Gilbert who Departed this life August 15th 1863. got a very Brief note from Mary Ann Hively (Edwards Mother) she is evidently in a Bad humor towards me. I Replied as I felt and feel yet (Pretty Saucy).

Oct 17 Cloudy but no Rain to Day. Carpentered all Day the Ballance are all at the Brick yard. Margarets Cousin (Elizabeth Loezer) of Philadelphia called very unexpectedly to see us her Father is with her.

Oct 18 Cloudy & Partially clear at intervals. Margaret Sis & I went over to Father Goulbourns spent the Day very Pleasantly with our Philadelphia Friends they will be here tomorrow. got home in good time. I must go to bed early as I have to get up at midnight.

Oct 19 Cloudy at Daylight. Uncle & Cousin with Father & Mother Goulbourn with many other Friends visited us to Day. had a pleasant Day of it Uncle & Cousin stays all night.

Oct 20 Cloudy at Daylight but cleared off and is Pleasant. took Uncle out to Bonsalls nursery & to John Gordons came home the Ellsworth Road. I helped haul Brick in afternoon. Margaret with our Friends are visiting at James Woodruffs I have not time.

Oct 21 Clear with plenty of Smoke this morning looks like Indian Summer. hauled Brick & wood. Uncle John and I were on the top of Pows Hall fine view of town and Surrounding Country.

Oct 22 Clear & Pleasant Indian Summer. hauled Brick in forenoon went to the Depot at noon. saw Uncle and Cousin off for their home. Wm Mercer quit at noon having run us out of work. shut up our Kiln at Dark got a nice burn.

Oct 23 Cloudy & wet Rained a good part of the night. Settled with Wm Mercer owed and Paid him 73 13/100 Doll. worked in the Cellar and Carpentered. Settled with Cris

Kineman owed him 903 Dollars shall Payhim tomorrow as I Do not want to Pay interest on that amount.

Oct 24 Cloudy & cool. Tabor & Co Paid 720 90/100 Doll. Allen Boyle Paid me 5.46 Dollars. I Paid Cris off and have some 550 Dollars left with which I must Do something. spent most of the Day up town.

Oct 25 Clear & cold at sunrise. Paved some of our cellar. Geor Gordon & his adopted Sister visited us.

Oct 26 Clear & cold ground froze some. opened our Kiln is too hot to hould took out one load and quit. hung a door to a small house up town in which I am going to put 100 Bushels of Lime. Cris left for Nashville.

Oct 27 Clear & cold. hauled brick to Day. Doc Dug Potatoes Henry Venable helped me. cold all Day.

Oct 28 Clear & cool. Jesse Deetrick & Doc Hauled Brick. I went to Alliance expecting to meet with Twing Brooks but he Disappointed me. I spent the Day in idleness took Diner with Ridgeway Haines. some sea sick Returned about 5 O'clock PM.

Oct 29 Clear & cool Pleasant weather to work. Jesse & Doc are Digging Potatoes I am hauling Brick. hauled Mrs Post a load of wood. went to mill sold Jacob Hedman a 3 year old heiffer for 18 Dollars. was offered that 2 months ago But I Did not want to winter her and concluded to let her go.

Oct 30 Clouded up about sunrise and commenced raining and at noon is still at it. I shod my Horses in forenoon. cold Rain. went up Town in afternoon Bought some nails stayed until Dark. got the Commercial. still Raining at 9 O'clock PM.

Oct 31 Cloudy But no Rain to Day. we hauled Brick & I Put on the shed. Settled with Hannah Bonsley owed and Paid her 15 Dollars and 45 cents. Paid Abraham Stouffer for hauling 45 cords of wood 33 75/100 Doll.

Nov 1 Clear & quite Pleasant. got up early was out to Tom Sharps before breakfast. tore the insides out of my stable up Town. Milton Taylor is going to move it tomorrow want to make a House of it. finished my lathing hatchet and lathed some.

Nov 2 Clear & Pleasant. Wm Mercer came on to help me he & I tore out the inside of our Building and Raised it up considerable. Milton came on but not in time to help us. he is with us tonight and we will make short work of the job tomorrow.

Nov 3 Clear & fine at 7 O'clock but last night we had a Perfect gale of wind accompanied with considerable Rain but we got our Building moved and all cleaned up before night. Milton charged me five Dollars which was cheap enough. he & I took Diner at the

Tolerton House to save time cost but 30 cents (cheap enough).

Nov 4 Clear & fine weather as can be. finished Digging our Potatoes piled some sand lathed at my Room. attended the Exhibition in aid of the Soldiers Aid Society had a full house and a good Play well performed.

Nov 5 Clear & Pleasant. went to Lisbon to attend a Law Suit between Aaron Wolton & Jesse Allen. Staid all Day the trial Did not come off. came home at 6 O'clock Brother Jesse & Geo Henshilwood were with me.

Nov 6 Cloudy with a very little Rain. at 5 O'clock we all three started on foot to New Lisbon arrived about 7 O'clock. sat around the Court House all Day but our trial Did not come. we went to the Anderson House and took lodgings

Nov 7 Clear & fine again. our trial Came on at 2 O'clock PM got through about 5 O'clock had no jury. got through sooner on that account. came home with Jehu Fawcett in his Carriage glad of the chance to ride. found all well.

Nov 8 Cloudy & colder. I lathed at our bed room got it nearly ready to Plaster. John Deming called out to see us a short time. snowed a very little.

Nov 9 Cloudy & cold all Day snowed a little. we sawed some wood by Horse Power. in the evening we went up to See Alf Burnett he is a great mimic.

Nov 10 Clear & cold. Amos chopped Down our big Ash tree Bill & I hauled Brick. Doc commenced school. cold all Day.

Nov 11 Clear but cold wind. I hauled sand Amos husked corn. in afternoon Nina Hise returned to her home (New Albany Indiana) to Day.

Nov 12 Clear and Pleasant. 3 husking corn I hauled sand all Day getting in a good pile of it. Hannah Returned to Day. Beautiful Indian Sumer.

Nov 13 Clear & fine weather as can be. I sold and measured out 6368 feet of lumber to the R R Co they take it at the mill and give me 475 cents per Hundred for which (if I figure it right) comes to $111.44. Margaret Nora & Mary Anne are over to grandfather Goulbourns I was to have went there to Diner but could not must haul brick. bought me a pair of Pantaloons cost ten Dollars.

Nov 14 Cloudy & looks like Rain. I hauled a few Bricks and one load of sand. Rained most of the afternoon. got in all the corn we have husked. Collission of Cars at Franklin Station 2 legs were broken.

Nov 15 Cloudy & Rained some through the Day. I lathed and Done some Carpenter work on our Bed Room. grandfather Goulbourn brought Lizzie Sheets over this

afternoon she is going to stay all night.

Nov 16 Cloudy & wet. Amos & I worked in the clearing at Mrs Watterworths. Rained slow all the afternoon. Mary Anne has the tooth ache.

Nov 17 Cloudy & Dull. Amos & got up early and went up to Alliance where we spent the Day in hunting clay to make brick. we went out to John Aspeys and spent the night.

Nov 18 Cloudy & Dull. Amos & I spent the Day running over Smith Township hunting wood and other things but we did not succeed and came home. I have given out the idea of making brick at Alliance. Brot a nice stove from Alliance.

Nov 19 Cloudy but very pleasant. 2 hands husking corn I hauled Brick. Paid Joseph Davis 17 25/100 cents. Amos Aspey started to Pittsburgh this morning I lent him 5 Dollars I owe him some but we Did not settle. Lizzie Dickinson has Returned.

Nov 20 Cloudy & wet can husk no corn to Day. worked at the Room until. spent the Ballance of the Day in Town waited and got the Commercial. came out with Jonathan Oliphant in his buggy.

Nov 21 Cloudy & foggy. Jonathan Oliphant was Down early to see if I had hitched to his buggy it turns out to have been stolen by some one unknown. we sawed 1/2 cord of good wood after which the Boys commenced husking corn but the fodder being too wet they quit at noon. I hauled in one load of corn & the Boys hauled in the Ballance that was husked. after Diner went to Obadiah Campbells and bought 12 lb of butter cost 20 cents per lb. rode Down in Aaron Antrims Buggy came back by Town and got the Commercial But little news.

Nov 22 Clear & cool ground froze some this morning. went over to Sharps sawmill it Progresses slow. called at Joel McMillens looked over their improvements. came home made 2 window frames for Cellar and felt so Drowsy that I laid Down behind the stove and took a nap. after getting up and yawning around awhile I seat myself at the Desk and am jotting it all Down to wile away the hour while awaiting Diner whose Savory odor allready greets my nostrils. no company to Day.

Nov 23 Clear & very Pleasant. the Boys are husking corn I Put in cellar Drain on Brindle street and Dug some cellar.

Nov 24 Cloudy & wet commenced Raining about Daylight. Done but little work to Day. Paid Wm Mercer 6 75/100 Doll I owed him for work. Sloane commenced Boarding with us at 2.50 per week.

Nov 25 Cloudy & Pleasant grows gradually colder. Dug cellar in forenoon. in aftrnoon hauled in a load of corn. Bought a file and a quarter of nice beef.

Nov 26 Clear & cold. Dug a little at the cellar hauled in some corn. in afternoon went to mill. Bought a hog of Charlie Hays cost 9 Dollars weighed 150 lb.

Nov 27 Clear & Pleasant. Piled up Boards at the Brick yard until noon. hauled in corn in afternoon got all husked. little Edward C Hively who has lived with us for the last 4 years went home to Day we all rather regretted to see him go but thought perhaps it would be best everything considered.

Nov 28 Cloudy & wet commenced Raining about Daylight wet all Day. cut and hauled some wood. good war news to Day the Army of the Cumberland has moved forward Driving Bragg in confusion.

Nov 29 Cloudy & snowing. went out to both the Foundrys But soon got tired and came home again. Spent good part of the Day at home.

Nov 30 Cloudy & cold. ground Johns little axe in forenoon. in afternoon I chopped some. weather moderating some. Settled with Jesse Deetrick gave his mother a check for 53 70/100 Doll. squared up to Date. settled with Joseph Casselbury owed him 18 Dollars and some cents gave him a check also.

Dec 1 Clear and cool. chopped some in forenoon. in afternoon hauled wood and got Ready to butcher some of our hogs. to Day our Dear little Nora is one year old God bless her how I Doat on her in everything. went to hear Lieutenant Pittinger lecture on Dixie. he was a prisoner in their hands fared hard.

Dec 2 Clear & pleasant. Allen Fairfax came on early he and Sloane butchered our hogs against 10 O'clock I sawed wood in afternoon and hauled it up to Bolus Fawcett. Bought 3 Books (speeches and lectures by Wendall Phillips, Daring and Suffering Pittenger and Beyond our lines or a yankee loose in Dixie all very interesting works.

Dec 3 Clear & fine. cut up my Pork hauled in a load of corn hauled a load of straw to John M Thomas. hauled brick for our cellar bought a quarter of good beef of Isaac Webb weighed 104 lb 5 cts per lb. Salted my hams & shoulders. Read late to night.

Dec 4 Clear & Pleasant. Jesse Deetrick helped me to Day we got our cellar ready for the masons.

Dec 5 Cloudy & warm. the brick layers came on we got the front wall up. Paid J B Shively 20 Dollars for lime. turned colder in afternoon and will freeze some to night.

Dec 6 Clear & cold ground froze hard this morning. settled with Doc Stoufer gave him a check for 14 Dollars. Margaret Sis Nora & Lizzie Dickinson & myself all went to John Gordons visiting had a nice time got home at 6 O'clock PM.

Dec 7 Clear & cool. Jesse Detrick & I Dug the Ditch for & got a Hydrant Put in at

Number 4 fox Street where we are Building a House. Bought a Black sheep of Mr Blood for which I am to Pay him 2 & 1/2 Doll. Wilkinson Chaney (a son of Sister Fannys is here on a visit they live in Ripley Co Indiana.

Dec 8 Clear & cool but very warm and Pleasant through the Day. Jesse & I Dug cellar got another section Ready for the Bricklayers.

Dec 9 Cloudy & looks some like Rain. got all the wall up that we were Ready to build getting along fine with our cellar. Amos Aspey Returned at noon he is just from Louisville Ky. looks like Rain to night.

Dec 10 Clear & cold all Day. Jesse & I Dug out some more of the cellar. Wilkinson Chaney hauled manure for me all Day glad of it.

Dec 11 Cloudy & Raining at 4 O'clock. I got uneasy went up to see how the cellar wall was Doing was fearful lest the Bank would push it in but found it all right. in afternoon got some more of the wall built. wet all Day roads muddy.

Dec 12 Cloudy & wet Raining at 7 O'clock continued to Rain until about 8 or 9 O'clock when it ceased and in afternoon is Pretty fair. Doc hauled 25 bushels of coal to Mrs Post. in afternoon hauled Brick.

Dec 13 Cloudy & wet Rained good Part of the night. am too tired to Do anything to Day. Bought a sheep of Mr Blood for which I gave him 2 1/2 Dollars. Hannah & Wilkinson Chaney has gone Down to Sister Unos took Nora with her all got back safe. I was over to see a lot of wood Eli Fawcett wants to sell me.

Dec 14 Cloudy & a little cooler. I omitted to say in the proper place that Edward Aspey called on his way to Pittsburgh he was with last night is going to stay to Day. he assisted me at the cellar. we got the east wall up and sett the Building on it got it on just right.

Dec 15 Cloudy & cold turned cold last night. hauled in a load of fodder in forenoon. in afternoon I walked to New Lisbon Paid my tax and Returned by 6 O'clock. I made the trip in 4 1/2 hours which is a good trip for one over fifty years old. J F Dickinson is with us to night.

Dec 16 Cloudy cold & snowing at Daylight. went up Town soon after breakfast brot out the Commercial. after reading it over went up to the Rail Road waited until the Pay Car came along went in and got my money they owed me for Plank 111 44/100 Doll. waited late for the Commercial but Did not get it.

Dec 17 Cloudy & Raining everything covered with ice breaking fruit trees Badly. spent the Day in idleness up town. thawed some through the Day Roads muddy. waited and got the Commercial.

Dec 18 Cloudy & cold froze up and snowed some. wilkinson & I hauled up a lot of logs to saw up for stovewood. windy and snows fast by spells sled slipswell in the woods.

Dec 19 Cloudy & cold. Doc & I hauled some straw to Town hauled in some fodder. had intended to saw wood but it is too cold. Wilkinson has gone to Ravenna.

Dec 20 Cloudy & cold. stuck close to the house all Day. wrote part of a letter to Cris Kineman he is in Nashville Tenn.

Dec 21 Cloudy and some warmer very Pleasant winter weather spent most of the Day up Town.

Dec 22 Cloudy with weather much the same. we sawed wood in Forenoon but I felt too unwell to stick to it have a sore throat and Bad cold. set by the Fire at the Phillips House all the afternoon. Wilkinson returned to Day.

Dec 23 Cloudy with a little more snow Pleasant winter weather. settled with Pow & Stouffer owed and Paid them 32.96 cents. spent the Day in Town. Sam Grovee Paid me 2750 cts Josiah Fawcett Oaid me 550 cts am well off for money.

Dec 24 Clear and cold very fine winter weather. spent the Day in Town. Bought lots of Christmas notions for Big & little like to Do that and would I the means Buy for all the children in Town. I Do like above all things to see them enjoy themselves.

Dec 25 Cloudy & Pleasant a fine Christmas morning. all hands enjoy the Fabulous visit of Cris Kingle we have spent a very Pleasant Day. J F Dickinson is with us to night.

Dec 26 Cloudy & warmer. we hauled 3720 lb of Hay to Henry Shaffer for which he gave me 27 90/100 Doll (15 Dollars per ton). in afternoon it commenced Raining and at 7 O'clock is Dark and wet.

Dec 27 Cloudy warm & wet the Frost is coming out makes it Foggy. Geo & Alfred Sheets with Charlie Hayse & Smith Sunderland (the latter from Ashland) called and spent some time with us. at 2 O'clock we wernt to the Funeral of Stephen Tolcott a Soldier who was killed at the Battle of Mission Ridge he was buried with Military Honors. in evening went Down to Lydia Smiths her little Boy who has been sick of Sore throat is getting better. very Dark & wet.

Dec 28 Cloudy warm & wet. made axe handles in forenoon. in afternoon I went Down to Nic Bates to see some poplar trees he has for Sale but he was not at home and I had my ride for nothing.

Dec 29 Cloudy & warm wind howled all night but has got no colder of any account. at 9 O'clock it commenced to get cold. Butchered the Ballance of our Hogs 6 in number they were good.

Dec 30 Cloudy and no colder very muddy. cut up my Pork in forenoon. in afternoon sawed wood. Bought 6 Brooms of Joshua Holloway cost 1 Dollar.

Dec 31 Cloudy & wet. Wilkinson & I hauled some brick. cut our sausage meat. Bought 65 lb of Sugar of James Brown cost 15 cents per lb. Salted Down my meat and covered it with good pickle.

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Jan 1 Cloudy & cold wind blowed very hard all night ground is froze hard this morning. spent the Day in town. growed colder all Day at 4 O'clock PM the mercury is 4 1/2 Degrees below Zero. Eliza Hicks is here going to stay all night. Margaret & I both Sat for our Photographs. wind never blowed colder than it Does to night.

Jan 2 Cloudy & cold. Margret & I could not keep warm in bed was forced to get up and heat up the Big stove and pushed the Sopha up along side we slep on that as best we could. Nora was kept in the cradle most of the time. spent good part of the Day up Town. at 2 O'clock this morning the Murcury indicated 17 Degrees below Zero at 8 it was 12 Degrees below Zero.

Jan 3 Clear & cold but the weather has moderated some. sat about the House all Day. wrote a letter to Brother Jacob he is now at Memphis Tenn. gave Wm Mercer a lineof introduction to Don Knoll.

Jan 4 Cloudy & cold but has moderated some. I finished 13 axe handles took them up to Royals Hardware Store and sold them for 25 cents a Peice.

Jan 5 Cloudy & cold with 3 or 4 inches of Snow. wikie & I hauled 2 saw logs and brot a load of Board home. in afternoon I laid the floor in our Ice house & attend our Sleds. the Commercial gives accounts of terrible cold weather out west. on Jan 2 the Thermometer ranged as follows at the Places names. Oshkosh Wis 38 Degrees beow Zero, Rockford Ill 33, Dubuque 30, Green Bay Wis 12, Kaskaskia Ill 26, St Paul 38, Fort Snelling which is on a high Peak it stood at 50, Milwaukee Ill 35, Dixon Ill 30, Galena 33, Fort Wayne Ind 28, Madiosn Wis 39, Michigan City 24, Louisville 20 & St Louis 24 1/2.

Jan 6 Cloudy & cold. went up to the Cooper shop and got a small load of shavings. in afternoon we sawed some wood took a little Straw up town and Bought a Barrel of Carbon Oil of H P Adams.

Jan 7 Cloudy & cold. Blacksmithed a little. spent the afternoon up Town. Did not wait for the Commercial the Cars are behind time.

Jan 8 Cloudy & cold with some more snow last night. Wilkinson & I hauled 6 Saw logs then Sledding is excellent.

Jan 9 Cloudy cold & windy to cold to haul logs. hauled a small load of wood because we had to. ground one of our axes. spent most of the Day up Town. Joel Sharps House caught fire but was put out with little trouble.

Jan 10 Clear with weather a little moderated. Sun shone very Pleasant all Day. made a cane and 3 axe handles. spent the evening at Joel McMillens. Roads are now excellent.

Ellen Deming with her Brother Frank called out awhile which was all the company we had to Day with the exception of Henry Weaver who called afew minutes and took Diner with us.

Jan 11 Clear & very Pleasant. Bought Wilkinson a Pair of first rate gloves the price $2.50. Doc hauled Mrs Post 25 bushels of coal. Wilkinson & I cleaned out our Ice House. in afternoon we commenced filling it Ice is now about one foot thick and as clean as I ever saw it. William Mercer came on this evening to board with us he is going to make gas.

Jan 12 Clear & warm in the Sunshine. worked all Dayat our Ice got 5 good waggon loads in as nice as I ever saw. J A Blackburn Paid 65 50/100 Doll 1 75/100 he has owed me the last 8 years. he I Presume had forgotten it and always felt a Disposition to let it slide Rather than ask him for such a trifle.

Jan 13 Cloudy at sunrise but soon cleared off and was very Pleasant all Day. got in 5 loads more Ice. Bought a Xcut saw of James Bennett for one Dollar and fifty cents. Bought a nice 3 year Old Horse for which I am to Pay one Hundred Dollars he is to Bring him in tomorrow.

Jan 14 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. to Day was a great Day in Salem. the Farmers Paid the Soldiers Families a Contribution visit 80 wagons loaded with wood Coal & Provisions and in addition to this Diner & Supper was Prepared in the Town Hall at which I suppose near one thousand Partook. John Barber brot the Horse I Bought of Him I Paid him one hundred Dollars for him. thawed a little all Day.

Jan 15 Cloudy with a little Rain last night. hauled 600 Brick. bought a Barrel of Salt. sawed wood in afternoon. commenced getting cold about noon froze up at 3 O'clock snowed a little about noon but not sufficient to make sledding.

Jan 16 Cloudy & cool ground froze hard again this morning. shod Sunshine (our young mare) and hauled one load of brick & one laod of boards. in afternoon I was up Town Paid Jacob Sell 6 Dollars all I owed him for lath. John See Paid me 4 35/100 Doll a bill he had owed me some time.

Jan 17 Cloudy with some snow falling at 8 O'clock. went over to Nic Betz bought 24 Poplar trees for which I am to Pay him 63 Dollars got Back in good time. Joel & Sarah McMillen Phebe & Geo Henshilwood Jesse Hise & wife all visited us this afternoon. went home about Dusk.

Jan 18 Cloudy with wet snow falling all the forepart of the Day but in afternoon Rained constantly. shod "Old Mike" worked all Day in the shop. Nathan Chestnut Daughter burried to Day.

Jan 19 Cloudy & snowing at 6 O'clock AM. continued to snow all Day a part of the time

was very blustery. snow Drifted considerable. I worked all Day in the shop.

Jan 20 Cloudy and moderate weather just cold enough to keep the snow from melting. Wilkinson & I got in 5 logs sleighing is excellent.

Jan 21 Cloudy with weather moderate yet. got up early (4 O'clock) had breakfast by Day light. Geo Martin & I went Down to nic Betz and cut sawlogs our team hauled 5 of them. two other teams were promised but they Disappointed me. came home by Jerry Betz & John McConners they are all going to help us on the morrow. want to jerk them in as soon as possible.

Jan 22 Cloudy with wind blowing as I write 1/2 Past 4 AM. Hannah has just got up to get our breakfast. we got a good start this morning but McConners Disappointed & we had but 2 teams but we got along well for the force we had. thawed but little to Day.

Jan 23 Cloudy & Frosty this morning. got an early start five teams came to Day we got 35 logs. snow melted fast to Day sleighing is about gone up. we should have got all our logs cut to Day but for the lodging of one. we worked hard to get it Down but could not. warm at sundown.

Jan 24 Cloudy & warm snow nearly all gone. this morning went over to Sharps Mill from there I went over to examine a gum tree that Joseph Fawcett gave me. want to cut it soon and haul it in. toward evening I commenced a little sawmill for John.

Jan 25 Clear & very Pleasant. Wilkinson hauled wood I finished Johns Sawmill sett the ley tub must make some Soap. in afternoon William Phillips & Robt Hole came out to see me about buying a lot of Joseph Thomas. I told them I wanted one and would go up in the morning and see about it but on going up this evening was told by Hiram Greiner that I was too late to get it as it was already sold so I said nothing to Joseph about it. John Hise is here from Jennings Co Indiana.

Jan 26 Clear & still as pleasant as can be. Sold Geo Martin 3 Hundred feet of walnut boards & 2 Do of Poplar & 15 hundred plastering laths. hauled them to him & Brot back a load of manure got it of Richard Boone. hauled in a load of corn fodder. went up Town with John Hise came Home early.

Jan 27 Clear & still warm. spent the Day in working about the Barn. hung 3 Doors and Repaired the mangers must get everything in ample order now. John Hise has gone Down to Sister Unos.

Jan 28 Clear & still as Pleasnt as may frost is out and the Road opposite our house is Drying up. sold Charles Davis 243 feet of walnut boards. Margaret & Nora visited at Isaac Crumrines this afternoon. I took supper with them in the evening. word came to us that one of our Cousins from Montgomery Co Pa had come out to see us. I hurried home to see him & to know who it was that could be induced to venture so far to see us (they

are a timorous sett). I Proved Elijah Lookens one of Aunt Betsys sons. on my way home an accident happened me and being an uncommon occurance I will for amusement Record it. on walking a Plank that is used as a foot way across a Ditch I rather carelessly steped off But supposing it was but a few inches to the bottom Paid but little regard to it until I found I had lost my ballance it was then too late. the consequence was I allighted fair on my broad side in the mud and water which was at least one foot Deep. you might well immagine my Plight when I got out it was fortunately after night fall and no one saw me but Brother Jesse and he took a hearty laugh over it in which I joined him inall but the hearty. I was too much of a liquid Dripping rather freely to Indulge much in that Particular exercise that is said to be promotive of good health or in other words to laugh & grow fat but I soon changed my clothes and felt as comfortable as though nothing had happened and after talking and Reading all the Rst to sleep I will go to Bed myself.

Jan 29 Clear & starlight but a little fog is Disernable in the Low land as I write (at 5 AM). spent the Day in Company with Elijah Lukins showed him through some of our machine shops took him to Concert Hall out on the top from which we have a good view of the County round about Salem. in afternoon we went Down to Sister Unos from there to Timmon Howell where he met Uncle Silas Howell with whom I left him and returned home (John Hise Returned to Indiana).

Jan 30 Cloudy & Dull. hauled some Brick in forenoon. in afternoon hauled Barre ls for H R Adams. Bought John a Pair of Boots. rained a lttle inafternoon.

Jan 31 Cloudy and Dull. made an axe handle. attended the Funeral Rubin Whittacre a Soldier who Died in Camp Chase. he was burried with Military Honors.

Feb 1 Cloudy & Raining at Daylight with wind howling as though we should have cold weather soon. was Down to Samuel Martins Saw mill am going to Repair it and saw my own logs. hauled in a load of Corn fodder & cut it up. one of the cog wheels on our Horse Power Busted gave us some trouble but I soon mended it made it better than ever. Margaret Sis & Nora visited at Sarah McMillens. I spent the evening there came home 1/2 Past nine found Cris Kineman had returned Wilkinson choped and hauled in some wood. I went to Martins Sawmill & commenced Repairs got the belt all mended up and Bought a piece of new leather to splice it out cost but 39 cents.

Feb 2 Cloudy and a little colder. Repaired Father Goulbourns carriage. Took about all Day. Went up town in the evening. Bought a file hollow punch & some though leather to repair Samuel Martings Sawmill. They all cost 2 13/00 Doll. Cris is very sick to Day. Is so weak he can scarcely walk.

Feb 3 Cloudy & some cold with one inch of snow this morning. Bought 20# of good butter cost 5 Dollars (25 cents per #). Lavern Silver Paid me 50 Dollars on account.

Feb 4 Cloudy & cold. Got up at 4 Oclock and Cousin Elijah & I started for Cleveland at 5 Oclock. Took breakfast at Alliance. Arrived at Cleveland 2 past 9 Oclock. I got so

sick by looking out of the windows that I could scarcely walk, but we looked the City over Pretty well. Bought a clasp for Mary Anns wristlett. Cost 3 20/100 Doll. Bought myself a Pair of gloves. Cost 3 50/100 Doll. Went to the Depot but found we were too late to get a passage home. Felt much Disappointed. But we went back to the City Hotel where we got our supper breakfast & lodging for which we paid 1 00/100 Doll each.

Feb 5 Cloudy & cold got up early. After breakfast we started for the Depot. On the way I bought Margaret & Sis each a nice Pair of gloves cost 2 75/100 Doll each Pair and also bought 33-1/2# of feathers cost 21 94/100 Doll. Left at 2 past 8. Arrived at Ravenna about 11 Oclock hunted up Sis Wait and mother Hise, the latter come home with us. Took Dinner and looked around the town about 3 Oclock when we started for home.

Feb 6 Cloudy & warmer. Made a couple of small axes for Elijahs little Boys. In afternoon we sawed a couple of sticks of wood to show Elijah how we Do it. Looked over the town Uncle Silas called and was with us. Mother Hise was here to Diner. Timothy Gee came over and took their Carriage home. Paid me twenty Dollars for Old Kate. He is to give me the colt when it is fit to wean, or thirty Dollars in money, which ever he chooses. She will be a cheap mare to him.

Feb 7 Cloudy & cool. Ground froze a little this morning. Got up in good season and after breakfast went up to Hamilton Howels where I met Uncle Silas and Elijah. After talking awhile, we all started on a tramp. Our first point was the Cemetary, second was Richard Fawcetts spring. 3rd was a large Poplar tree on Thomas Fawcetts land, 4th was E Bonsalls ___, 5th Gordons Stone Quarry & coal banks, 6th Timmon Howells. From there we went over to Sister Uras where we met any amount of our Relations. Had a good sociable time. After Diner we each one took his own way seperated Doubtless never to meet all at once again. I came across country. Done the feeding and have now gotten Down about all I can think of (Webb Davidson Died last night.) Wind is blowing a gale at 8 Oclock P.M. My eyelids begin to feel heavy and I will Retire.

Feb 8 Cloudy & snowing at 7 Oclock as fast as I ever saw snow fall. Made a couple of small axe handles for the smallaxes made on Saturday. Sat about the House most of the Day. Too Stormy to go out much. We are having as hard Squals of snow as ever I saw fall. Uncle Silas & Elijah came.

Feb 9 Cloudy & cold. Spent the forenoon up Town with Elijah. He starts home at 12 Oclock. Saw him off. Gave him a Photograph of our House. He went off cheerfully. We was all much pleased with his visit. Hope he will Repeat it.

Feb 10 Cloudy & cold. Chopped a little wood but soon got tired. My axe is too heavy. Spent the afternoon up Town. Brot out 2 Daily Commersials. Had a good time looking up the news.

Feb 11 Clear & cool this morning. Cut and hauled in 3 large gum logs that Joseph

Fawcett gave me. Thawed so fast we had trouble with the last one, but we sucseeded in getting it in muddy as it is. Bought a new axe. Spent the evening up Town.

Feb 12 Cloudy warm & wet. Raining at 5 Oclock A.M. Jesse & ___ choped and hauled in some wood. I went to Monting Sawmill & commenced Repairs. Got the belt all mended up and Bought a piece of new leather to splice it out. Cost but 39 cents.

Feb 13 Clear & beautiful sunshine as can be. the Boys hauled fodder all Day. I worked at the Sawmill got it about Ready to Run. Settled with A Ball he holds a note against me calling for 60 Dollars in Brik. I have Paid 43 75/100 Doll on it talked some to him about buying his lot on main street think I shall buy it. Hannah went home unexpectedly.

Feb 14 Cloudy & cooler. Run the mill to Day cut up 5 logs got along first Rate got home before 6 O'clock in the evening. had some visitors Mencey & Hannah Kirtland & Ed Sharpnack.

Feb 15 Clear & cool this morning but the sun shone very pleasant all Day. I went Down to Nic Betzs and helped him get our last poplar tree (that was lodged) Down and sawed up into logs give him 50 cents for helping me. as I came home I called at Father Goulbourns and got my Diner. was up town part of the time.

Feb 16 Cloudy & cold snowing and blowing as hard as can be. shod 2 of our Horses and the Boys have gone for coal for Mrs Post. I wrote a letter to Elijah Lukens Fitzwaterown Montgomery Co Pa. spent most of the afternoon up town got no Commercial. cold as Sam Hill yet.

Feb 17 Cloudy & cold with a furious wind blowing all night. we were forced to move our bed out into the Stove room. very cold and Stormy all Day we all sett by the fire. one of our Cows Died last night I suppose some one of the other Cows pushed her Down where she perished. she was a good Cow.

Feb 18 Clear & very cold. we undertook to get wood but found it too cold the timber is frozen so hard might as well chop ice at once. I spent the afternoon up town.

Feb 19 Clear and almost as cold as ever. the boys hauled wood I worked at a Pair of Hay ladders I am making for Aaron Wilson. spent the evening up town had another talk with A Ball about his lot on Main Street. he will not take less than 1350 Dollars for it which is 75 Dollars per foot. I believe I will give it as property on Main street is increasing in value every Day.

Feb 20 Clear & cold but has moderated some. hauled a load of coal for Mrs Post. I sold some brick spent the afternoon in town. was Down at the Station in hopes to meet Hannah but she came not.

Feb 21 Cloudy and moderate winter weather. finished Aaron Wilsons Hay ladders took

most of the Day. the Ballance I spent in looking over our wood prospects on Joshua Daviss Farm Plenty of wood there yet.

Feb 22 Clear & very Pleasant. sold Brick cut corn fodder. in the afternoon we hitched up Bill (our new Horse) and went out to Louis Cooks and brot in 8 bushels of nice apples cost 50 cents per bushel. Roads are getting muddy. Hannah Returned to Day we were all glad to see her.

Feb 23 Clear & pleasant at Daylight but clouded up some through the Day. hauled up some Sand & mortar to plaster our bed Room. Mattias Siford was buried to Day he got choked accidenttly at Alliance.

Feb 24 Clear & warm. James Leech came out and cleaned both of our clocks and sett them going for which I Paid him one Dollar and fifty cents. Phillip Mathews gave our bed room one coat of plaster.

Feb 25 Cloudy and Rained a little. we threshed some Oats. Joseph Marlow of Iowa called and took Diner with us Father Goulbourn & Mary Gee accompanied him he was once an apprentice of Father Goulbourns. Roads are very bad.

Feb 26 Cloudy & cold wind blowing a gale from the north cold and ugly. I spent the Day in town trying to sell my lot on the corner of Lisbon Street & Franklin avenue to Jo Thomas Dont know whether I can or not. Settled with Lourn Silver he owed and gave me a check for 112 56/100 Doll.

Feb 27 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard. we commenced chopping wood up in the Old Fair ground chopped until noon and hauled in afternoon. moderated some in afternoon. Smith Baird Died this morning he was confined to his bed a few Days. I know nothing of his sickness until he was Dead. Bought some beef cost 14 cents per pound & cheese at 15 Both uncommonly high.

Feb 28 Cloudy & wet having Rained a little. we had expected Mr & Mrs Gordon to visit us to Day but the weather is so unfavorable they cannot come. I loafed by the fire all Day. Don Hewit is here he has enlisted in the gun boat service and will soon leave for the theater of war. cloudy and as Dark at 8 O'clock PM as I ever saw it.

Feb 29 Cloudy & colder ground covered with snow. will cut corn fodder & perhaps thresh some Oats. split wood in afternoon. fine winter weather.

Mar 1 Cloudy & cold. thawed none of account to Day. split wood in forenoon. in afternoon attended the Funeral of Smith Baird. Marius Robinson Delivered a very appropriate address (or sermon). John Hise returned to Day Did not see him but heard of him.

Mar 2 Clear & cold ground froze very sollid. we all cut wood to Day got along very

well.

Mar 3 Clear & quite Pleasant in the Sun. worked at the wood. to Day two hands came from Lima to help me am glad of it want help just now.

Mar 4 Clear and Pleasant. still at the wood. my two new hands Does pretty well one of them I think will soon wear out. James Barnaby Died.

Mar 5 Cloudy & warm looks like rain soon turned cold and Rained fast from the north west. we made up the mortar intending to finish plastering but it got too cold. I spent most of the Day up town. settled with Hannah Kale owed and Paid her 13 Dollars. she has to go home and help take care of a sick mother & sister in law. we are all very sorry to have her go and I took her to the Station and seen her off. at 5 O'clock PM cold and freezing up tight at 8 O'clock. I spent the evening and came home with Joel McMillen.

Mar 6 Cloudy & cold. took up some of our meat hung it up to Drain preparitory to smoking. Margaret & I visited at Jesse Hises I carried Nora in and had a load of it. Jesse & I attended the Funeral of James Barnaby Marius Robinson Preached a very good Sermon. Ike Taylor was with us came home with us but went Down to Joels to stay all night. (our Black sheep has a fine lamb.

Mar 7 Clear and cold this morning ground froze sollid but will thaw to Day. Stoddard & I cut wood. Wm Mercer went to Washingtonville and brot us a girl Elsa Walters. Nora is sick to Day. wrote a letter to henry Ward of Randolph for Stoddard. Raining at Dark.

Mar 8 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. all hands getting wood. no war news nor anything else to Record Nora is unwell.

Mar 9 Clear and warm all Day. got lots of wood to Day. Nora is a little better.

Mar 10 Cloudy & warm. 2 of the Boys hauled some brick but soon Rained. I made a wheelbarrow the Boys shelled corn.

Mar 11 Cloudy warm and wet thunder and lightning at Daylight. the Roads to Bad to haul. Phil Mathews finished Plastering our Room Paid him 3 Dollars for the job cheap enough.

Mar 12 Cloudy & looks like Rain. attended to matters up town. Doc Hardman gave me a check for 23 25/100 Doll. hired Dewitt More to help make brick give him 18 Dollars per month. wrote a letter to Hannah Kale & one to E Forney want to get him to mould brick for me.

Mar 13 Cloudy and cold enough to snow which it has Done Effectually all Day but most of it melted as it fell. ironed a wheelbarrow & worked some at a stool for Nora. ground is chock full of watter.

Mar 14 Cloudy & Partially clear at intervals. 3 of us at the Sawmill to Day. plenty of water now.

Mar 15 Cloudy and cold all Day. 2 of us at the mill to Day & 2 getting wood. Roads as bad as can be. John Hise is with us to Day and is going to stay all night. we are now in trouble for want of a girl Dont know where to get a good one.

Mar 16 Cloudy & cold everything froze up sollid this morning. Jesse & I Sawed all Day. stormed all Day.

Mar 17 Clear & some warmer. attended E T Vickers vondue but bought nothing. spent the afternoon in Town. Gotlib Martin Paid me 20 Dollars on a note I hold against him. Paid A Ball one hundred Dollars on the lot I bought of him gave him a check on Thomas & Greiner for it. O Stewart Paid me 5 Dollars for brick.

Mar 18 Cloudy & cold snowed & blowed hard from the west. we hauled in 26 saw logs to sharps mill this forenoon. cut some corn fodder in afternoon.

Mar 19 Cloudy & cold. got up at 1/2 past 3 O'clock intending to go to Ravenna but after working hard carrying Nora to the Station we were 15 minutes too late to take the Cars. we turned back Surprised & Disappointed but at 1/2 past ten we succeeded after a brisk walk in getting on. got as far as Alliance where we were forced to wait until 9 O'clock at night before we got Cars for Ravenna but we put in the time at Crews Picture Gallery got a Photograph of Nora. we found our friends at Ravenna all well.

Mar 20 Clear & cold. John Hise & I took a short walk out the Rail Road but was too Damned cold to stay out long. we soon came back and sat by the fire the ballance of the Day.

Mar 21 Cloudy & cold as ever. before leaving for home John and I went up to the crossing of the Atlantic & great western Rail Road where we saw an Ericson hot air engine the first I ever saw. started for home at 20 minutes past ten got to Alliance where the cars were waiting for us. we soon started but soon after crossing the Mahoning one of the axles of the Locomotive broke. we were forced to back to Alliance on one wheel where the got another engine & got us to Salem by 1/2 past one. found all safe at home and was glad to get there.

Mar 22 Clear & cold as the Devil this morning wind in north east. spent the forenoon up Town. in afternoon went to a Sale to buy a cow but they were all sold before I got there. came to town with Samuel Sharpnack.

Mar 23 Clear & cold went out to Albany and hired a girl to help Margaret will come next Sunday. stopped at John Gordons & of course took Diner & spent good part of the afternoon. came home in time to get the Commercial.

Mar 24 Clear & cold but will thaw to Day Pleasant all Day. hauled slack and picked stone off of the meadows.

Mar 25 Cloudy and considerable warmer. some chopped wood some hauled Slack. I made a couple of wheelbarrows. snowed some and is colder at noon.

Mar 26 Cloudy with a little snow Disagreeable out Doors. attended Simon Sumers Sale Bought a few fruit Jars and some other little notions. Paid Amos Aspey 23 Dollars all I owed him.

Mar 27 Clear and Pleasant. got up early & went Down to Fred Smiths and bought his Cow gave him 30 Dollars and a Days work with the team. a big price but she has the Reputation of being a good cow. made a small basket for Nora. went to Albany and brot Mary Fresh to Do our house work. roads are bad.

Mar 28 Cloudy & warm. Cris is helping us chop to Day. I spent the Day in Town Paid A Ball 650 Dollars on lot bought & took his Receipt for the Same. attended John Hudsons Sale bought some trifles.

Mar 29 Cloudy & wet commenced Raining at 9 O'clock & Rained & snowed all Day. Geo Martin finished the wood work of our bed room.

Mar 30 Cloudy & wet snowed an rained all Day. Sawed at the Sawmill to Day nothing else going on. Roads bad.

Mar 31 Cloudy with a little snow falling. sawed all Day. no rain or snow in afternoon. Wilkinson moved Fred Smith. Paid Stoddard Brown 5 Dollars he has left us I expect.

Apr 1 Cloudy & wet no Rain fell to Day. nothing Doing but Sawing hope soon to be Done that. Roads cannnot be worse.

Apr 2 Cloudy & wet with some Rain last night. run the mill to Day too wet to anything else.

Apr 3 Cloudy & Dull. Sloane & his wife is with us. I sawed all Day.

Apr 4 Cloudy & Dull. the boys hauled some brick. Rained some in afternoon. got a letter from Stoddard says he will be back on wendsday.

Apr 5 Cloudy & Dull. Cris chopping to Day the boys wheeled the Slack and Tan bark into the gordons. went to mill hauled some wood etc etc. Sold my old barn to J Timmerman for 75 Dollars.

Apr 6 Cloudy & warm. 3 of the boys chopped wood. I Put a Small gravel Roof in for

Hiram Greiner. sun shone some to Day. wrote a letter to Amos Aspey.

Apr 7 Cloudy & warm. worked at my wheelbarrow most of the Day. made a little garden (sett out rheubarb). Mother Hise is here making Soap. looks like Rain at sun Sett.

Apr 8 Cloudy and warm. worked at my wheelbarrows got them Ready to Paint. worked some at my moddle for Rail Road improvement think it must succeed. Rained a little toward evening. got a letter from Wm Hise of Iowa.

Apr 9 Cloudy & wet. Painted my wheelbarrows. threatened 25 bushels of Oats. Blacksmithed some. spent a part of the Day up town. Rained all Day.

Apr 10 Cloudy & coolish. went Down & sawed 2 logs all I could get in. took a walk Down the Rail Road. finished my Model for R Road. Rained some.

Apr 11 Cloudy until noon cleared off Partially. Cris & Wilkinson chopped wood. I Done schores of various kinds. wrote a letter to Munn & Co New York.

Apr 12 Cloudy & Dull. sent my model & a letter containing 5 Dollars to Munn & Co no 37 Park Row New York. went at noon to help cut Sawlogs but soon Rained so much we were forced to come home. a great deal of Rain fell this afternoon.

Apr 13 Cloudy & cool with several showers through the Day. hauled in all our logs at Joel Strattons mill & Put them on the Skids he is sawing them. worked some in the shop this afternoon. ground very wet.

Apr 14 Cloudy & Dull ground very wet looks as tho it had Rained all night. no chance to Farm if I had a hand. I am waiting with great Patience for one to come along. got Jacob Sells Oxen & Timber wheels and hauled in the Ballance of my logs at Martins Sawmill. Bought ten Barrels of Flour of Wm Shinn for which I gave him seven Dollars per barrel. Paid him 40 Dollars in green backs and gave hima check for the Ballance (30 Dollars). bought stuff for a Pair of Pantaloons of Wm West cost 5 25/100 Doll. Bought a new hat of Aaron Bradfield cost 3 50/100 Doll. Sold O A Thomas a lot on East Main Street 74 feet front and 236 feet Deep for 4 Hundred Dollars Payable in 4 years with interest annually.

Apr 15 Cloudy & cool. spent the Day in Riding over green township in search of a girl to help us this Sumer Dont know whether I found one or not will know in the beginning of next week. Roads intolerable.

Apr 16 Cloudy with some rain last night. ground an axe gumed our Xcut saw. Bought 2 bushels of Dried Apples cost 2 1/2 Dollars per bushel. spent most of the Day up town. Hiram Greiner Paid me 2 Dollars for putting on his Roof. Rained considerable through the Day.

Apr 17 Cloudy & cool. got up early and went Down to Jacob Sells got his oxen & cart went over to Nic Betzs and hauled eleven logs out of his field where he intended to Put Corn. got home again by 3 O'clock. Sold Fred Sloane an axe handle. snowed a very little but not enough to show on the ground. Fred Sloane Paid me 5 Dollars of Borrowed money.

Apr 18 Clear and some cloudy at intervals all Day but no rain. Cris & Wilkie cut wood. I helped Saw our logs at Shrps Sawmill all Day. ground dried very fast.

Apr 19 Clear & cool this morning with some frost. Dewitt Moore came on this morning to help us Farm but it is yet too wet. hauled some brick Cris is Ditching the yard. I helped Saw my gum boards at Sharps.

Apr 20 Cloudy and cool. Dewitt commenced Plowing the ground is too wet but we must try & Do some farming. Cris is working at the yard. Wilkie & I opened Franklin Avenue across to where it intersects the Franklin Road. got a letter from Munn & Co New York acknowledging the Receipt of My Model for improved Rail Road track and the 5 Dollars sent them to compensate them for investigating its Patentability.

Apr 21 Clear & cold but will be pleasant when the Sun gets up. Finished our fencing on franklin Avenue hauled home all the Peices and whole boards that were left. hauled out and stuck up our boards at Sharps Sawmill.

Apr 22 Cloudy & looks like for rain. got John Cope to sow 2 1/4 acres of our Oats and harrowed it in with our colts. at noon we knocked off Plowing and helped John Cope harrow in his Oats. it commenced Raining before they got quite Done but they finished before quiting. I Bought 200 lb of nice Bacon of James Brown for which I pay 16 Doll per hundred.

Apr 23 Cloudy & Drizzling rain. went to Rail Road and got 2 bars of iron brot them home. want to make a joint for which I have applied for Patent to try its sutibility. Brot home our Bacon and went Down to Martins and stuck up our boards. I sawed 2 logs. no Rain in afternoon.

Apr 24 Clear & Pleasant out Doors. Repaired our pumps and Done some other small schores. was Down to Joels a short time he & Sarah were here an hour or two. clouded up and looks like rain.

Apr 25 Cloudy & wet. wrote a line to John Hise. bought 53 lb of Iron made a swedge and one peice of Strap for my R Road chain.

Apr 26 Cloudy & cool. made fence until noon. in afternoon made another Rail Road strap spent some time in town. Bought 40 lb of the Old Anti Slavery tent 15 cts per lb.

Apr 27 Cloudy & cold. pryed up stumps made fence and Plowed some sod. Oats ground

is yet too wet. was up town in afternoon. more applications for Brick than supply.

Apr 28 Clear & cold ground froze a little this morning. 3 of us are burning brush and one a Plowing. got most of the brush burnt.

Apr 29 Clear & cold ground froze some and white frost. made a saw frame for Thomas Vernon. Cris & I finished burning brush by noon. in afternoon we worked on the Brick yard. must now try and get to making brick. sun shone pleasant all Day.

Apr 30 Clear & pleasant. Cris & I on the yard. Wilkinson & Dewitt Moore is sowing our Oats got Done by noon. Rained most of the afternoon. got a letter from Munn & Co saying my improvement in securing R R joints is Patentable I shall have it patented forthwith. Sold Samuel Street 2 cows for 50 Dollars each.

May 1 Cloudy & cool. worked all Day on my R R improvement got it Done except the chain. Brother Jesse helped me. Rained some this afternoon.

May 2 Clear & Pleasant. to Day the State Militia leave for Alliance. Clouded up and Rained at ten O'clock. a vast crowed assembled at the Depot to see the Soldiers (National Gourd) off but the cars were already loaded the consequence as they had to wait until 5 O'clock in afternoon. Geo Gordon came home with me and took Diner and Dried his clothes. Sis made his gum Blanket so that he could button it about his shoulders & I Painted his name and Residence on it. went with him to the Depot & seen him off. I fear he cannot stand the fatigues of Camp life. J F Dickinson is with us is going to stay all night. rained all the afternoon and at Dark is cold and Disagreeable. got a pamphlet by mail from Munn & Co New York giving instructions how to proceed in processing a Patent on my improved chain for securing Rail Road joints.

May 3, 1864 Cloudy & cold as Disagreeable out Doors as is comon to see it. but little Done to Day. Wilkie hauled Mrs Post a small load of wood. sent a Draft of 15 Dollars to Munn & Co newyork.

May 4 Clear & pleasant. Wilkie is Plowing to Day. Dewitt I fear is sick as he is not here this week yet. Cris & Jesse is at work on the yard trying to get things ready.

May 5 Clear & very Pleasant. working on the yard getting along well. a rumor that Gen Grant has mooved his Army if so we shall soon have plenty of War news.

May 6 Clear but looks suspicious in the west think it will rain soon. commenced repairing my Cart. worked some on the brick yard.

May 7 Clear & warm. rode all over green township trying to buy potatoes but found none got home about 3 O'clock. learned this evening that Mary Hick was coming to live with us am glad of it.

May 8 Cloudy & warm fine growing weather. finished my cart ironed a cane for Joshua Davis. walked up to Demascus Station & back. in evening went and brot Mary Hick out. looks like Rain at sunsett.

May 9 Clear and cloudy at intervals. went with Geo England up into Goshen Township to look at some Horses to Buy but could find none to suit. helped clear out the stumps in cornfield. sent Dewitt over to green to hire a hand to work at the Farm.

May 10 Cloudy & windy. all hands worked in the corn field until noon. hauled the Stumps together & burned them. Dewitt ploughed in afternoon I assisted at the yard. Rained considerable in afternoon.

May 11 Cold & wet. threshed all our Oats took a grist of Oats & corn to mill and got chopped for Horse feed. Sis is suffering with tooth ache. no war news to Day but they Doubtless fighting before Richmond and Dalton. fort Darling & Petersburg Va is coming in for her share.

May 12 Clear at sunrise & cold looks like being fine weather to Day. hope it may as we are all impatient to get to make brick. in afternoon I went over to Elias Calahans to Buy a colt but although he had 3 of them I Bought none. met John B Roller on my way home & Bought a very nice 3 year old of him for which I am to give him one hundred and ten Dollars he is to bring her up on Saturday.

May 13 Cloudy & wet. took my new R Road joint Down. saw 3 live Buffaloes on a Car. Cris & I went Down to sawmill and sawed 2 logs.

May 14 Cloudy & Dull. some cut wood hauled boards cleaned out wood house. I spent the Day in Town. put in my R Road joint saw the first Car pass over it it is very stout. John B Roller brot the colt I Bought of him. Isaac Boone Paid me 56 70/100 Doll. Samuel Hardman Paid me 43 60/100 Doll. War news is still good.

May 15 Clear & cloudy at intervals fineweather for grass to grow. Done no work to Day for a wonder.

May 16 Cloudy & wet. all hands with Both the teams at work in Davis Clearing. hauled out the wood & raked it up out of the way. war news still good. Sloane came on to Day.

May 17 Cloudy & Dull. all hands working in th clearing at Jo Daviss got it all Done or nearly so.

May 18 Clear & warm. most of us on the yard to Day got about ready to mold. bad news to Day but was contradicted before night. Borrowed 268 Dollars of Fred Sloane Paid 250 of it to A Ball and got the Deed for my lot on Main Street.

May 19 Clear at sunrise but is some cloudy in the west cleared off and is beautiful

weather. both sett of hands made some brick one sett made 2600 the other 528 just for a start. our Farmer came on at noon and went right to Plowing he Does pretty well.

May 20 Clear & pleasant as can be. spaded garden until breakfast. went Down to Enoch McConners to get him to haul sawlogs but he could not Do it at present. came home past Jacob Sells where I met with Jacob Brinker who agreed to haul them in a few Days. went from there over to Joseph Daviss but he was not at home. came home past Allen Boyles looked at a black mare he has that I was told would mate one I have but she will not match close enough to make the buying of any interest at present. finished Plowing our corn ground and am very glad of it it has been a hard job on our horses.

May 21 Cloudy & smoky this morning looks like Rain. spaded one square in the garden before breakfast marked out corn ground until 3 O'clock. went out to Mr Snooks and got 1/2 bushel of seed corn & 3 lb of Butter. was busy from that until night at schores of some kind.

May 22 Cloudy and looks like for Rain. I papered most of our bed room want very much to get it Done. Margaret went up to see little David Woodruff who is very low with some head Disease. toward evening I strolled up Town went see my R R Chain it is yet perfect. on way home called at John Groves (our nearest neighbor) and talked with him & his Brother (who has just returned from the Army of the Potomoc in which he was a Sutler) about the Different Farms that are for Sale in the neighborhood they want to buy about 200 Acres.

May 23 Clear & warm all signs of Rain is vanished this morning. worked on the yard until my Petition for Patent arrived. I got it executed By Samuel Hardman J P. in afternoon worked out corn ground.

May 24 Clear & warm. we all turned in and Planted our corn I & Sloane Dug clay in afternoon. in evening I walked Down to Jacob Sells to see Jacob Brinker he is going to haul logs for me on to morrow.

May 25 Cloudy & cooler has evidently been Rain somewhere close by last night as the Air is so much cooler. Jacob Brinker hauled 10 logs by 4 O'clock PM. I sent him home then as that is enough to Do in one Day. I trimmed them up & helped him load. Mathew hauled wood off the clearing and 2 loads of Stakes home.

May 26 Cloudy with a little Drizzling Rain at 6 O'clock AM. sharpened my X cut saw and took it Down to Jo Davis before breakfast. his wood choppers is cutting some logs for me. hauled some sand took one barrel of wheat to the mill & brot home 2 barrels of flour and a small load of Sand.

May 27 Cloudy & Dull but very pleasant weather. helped Jacob Brinker haul saw logs got along first rate.

May 28 Clear & fine cool weather. all hands idle to Day Damn the Shows I wish if they must come they would come in winter. sent back my petition for Patent enclosing 26 Dollars to Munn & Co New York. Paid out considerable of money hauled some brick etc etc.

May 29 Cloudy & looks some like rain. spent the entire Day helping Margaret take care of little Nora who is very sick with the Meazels she looks as though she might be covered with red flannel. Marius Robinson Spoke in town hall but I could not attend should liked much to have Done so.

May 30 Clear & cool. I helped haul logs to Day. Mathew worked on the Roads. the Ballance made brick. Nora is better.

May 31 Clear & warm. finished hauling our logs by noon. in afternoon worked at the yard. looks a little like Rain at Dark.

Jun 1 Clear and warm all signs of Rain vanished. Nic Shaffer hauled 4000 Brick to axe Factory. I & charley Sharpnack hauled to a wood. about noon it clouded up and got very cold and at 3 O'clock commenced Raining Rained hard all the Ballance of the Day. ground is now well wet.

Jun 2 Cloudy & cold with indications of more Rain. shod Horses in forenoon hauled Brick in afternoon. cleared off and is fine as can be. some of the hands took in brick & others Dug clay. Planted some Potatoes.

Jun 3 Clear & pleasant. shod Old Mike before breakfast hauled Brik. A Woods Paid me 50 Dolls on account for Brick.

Jun 4 Cloudy & cool. hauled Brick. looks like Rain. Paid Jacob Brinker 26 Dollars for hauling logs. Abel P Phillips Paid me 30 Dollars on account.

Jun 5 Cloudy but little sign of Rain. finishedPapering our room. attended a lecture of Parker Pillsbury at Town Hall he can still beat the world. spent a Portion of the afternoon and took tea with Mrs Bown. had some excellent music By the Clemens.

Jun 6 Clear & cool. hauled Brik. Sold Frank for 140 Dollars cash. Did not like to see him go but he is too light to Do our work.

Jun 7 Clear & cold considerable frost in low places. hauled some Brick & some Sand. Allen Boyle Jonas D Cattell & myself appraised the effects of James Barnaby Deceased. frost this morning.

Jun 8 Cloudy & looks like Rain. hauled Brick all Day. sold a wheelbarrow for 5 Dollars. Bought 24 yds of carpet Paid 26 Dollars for it. Rained a little about sunsett.

Jun 9 Cloudy & wet had a fine Rain last night. sett Brick & Dug clay. Margaret & Mary made our new carpet & the latter & I put it Down it looks well.

Jun 10 Clear & cool remained cool all Day. Done but little work to Day. Paid my tax 30 19/100 Doll.

Jun 11 Clear & cool heavy frost this morning in low places no Doubt vegetation suffered considerable. Bought a 4 year old horse of Robt Campbell for which I Paid him 150 Dollars cash. got James Barns to hitch him up in his 4 Horse team he worked well. Sis Returned from Pitt at 4 O'clock PM. still cool at Dark.

Jun 12 Clear & cool. Painted our Carriage. Mr & Mrs Gordon visited us they started home early after which I walked out to James Englands but he was not at home & I had my walk for nothing.

Jun 13 Clear & cool. Dewitt commenced working the corn. I worked at the yard until 6 O'clock when I went out to James Englands and got a horse to work. he belongs to his Brother George who is now absent at Chicago buying cattle for Government.

Jun 14 Clear cool and Pleasant. hitched up our new colt and worked him until noon he worked very gentle and kind. wheeled in Brick in afternoon got most of our Dry ones in. looks some like Rain at sunsett.

Jun 15 Cloudy but not much prospects of Rain. hauled Brick all Day my new Horse performing well. got our sheep sheared 8 nice fleeces. the hands made 10000 Brick to Day the most I ever had made by hand in one Day.

Jun 16 Clear & warm all signs of Rain vanished ground is getting Dry on top. hauled Brick all Day. Dave Mercer gave out at noon has Pleurosy in his Side.

Jun 17 Clear & Dry with no indications of Rain. hauled Brick and one load of Sand.

Jun 18 Clear & warm. Done nothing to Day but loaf about town. all hands idle Circus in Town. the Band wagon came in with 40 horses attached 4 of a breast. looks a little like Rain at sunsett. I covered our Brick. Cris & Mary Hick went Buggy Riding to new watterford.

Jun 19 Clear & very warm. got up at 5 O'clock walked Down to Strattons mill. from there went up to the Depot got a Daily Cincinnati Commercial. got in companywith Doc Harris he & I went Down to see my Rail Road chain it is still perfect. took a good nap after Breakfast after which I strolled over to Sharps Mill. had a good Rain about 2 O'clock PM it was much needed. Settled with S W Chaney for work Done up to May first 1864.

Jun 20 Clear & warm fine growing weather now. some hauled & some sett Brick all

went right to Day.

Jun 21 Clear & warm. was wakened up at 1 O'clock by James Seaton who happened to be coming from Lisbon and Discovered Sharps Saw Mill on fire. I and 2 of the Boys (L W Chaney & Dewitt Moore) went over as soon as we could but could save nothing except a few shingles. at 1/2 past 2 Thomas Sharp & his Son came over at Daybreak we all came back. Isaac Thomas hauled brick for me in forenoon for which I gave him 2 Dollars. in afternoon went with him to John Pows to see a mare he has for Sale but he nor her were at home. came back Past Twing Brooks coal bank.

Jun 22 Clear & warm. Paid Mathew off he must give way to some one that can Do more work. hauled brick all Day sold several for each. (Sis went to Ravenna.

Jun 23 Clear & warm. hauled Brick. the whole Family went Down to Sharpnacks to see the Boys (Daniel Sharpnack and Paskell Seeds) who have just "Returned from the war". Paid a note of twenty five Dollars that I owed Aaron Antrim. Paid Nic Shaffer 49 17/100 Dollars 9 60/100 too much.

Jun 24 Clear & warm no sign of Rain. Repaired our wagon lock before breakfast. hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon took a grist of corn and Oats to mill to get chopped for horse feed. got a letter from Munn & Co advising me of an adverse Decision for a Patent on my R Road joint but I am going to try it again "never to give it so Mr Brown".

Jun 25 Clear & warm. hauled Brick in forenoon. in afternoon went to Mill. Paskill Seeds his wife & Don Sharpnack visited us in afternoon. in evening I went over to Joseph Fawcetts Bought one hundred cords of wood for 75 cents per cord in the woods.

Jun 26 Clear & warm. got up early went Down to the Depot to get a Commercial and waited the arrival of the Cars that should have been here at 11 O'clock last night. I Did not have to wait but a few minutes. Aaron Henshilwood of the 11th O.V.I. arrived having served out his 3 years and got an honorable Discharge he is looking well. had intended to have sett brick to Day but really feel too tired and shall rest.

Jun 27 Cloudy & cold. all hands setting Brick except two who are hauling. got a Driver for my team at last came on this morning his name is Peter He got along first rate setting Brick. Archibald Woods paid me all he owed me for Brick 21 76/100 Doll.

Jun 28 Clear & cool with right Smart of frost. sett Brick got along well.

Jun 29 Clear and pleasant. sett a large quantity of brick to Day. commenced hauling wood are getting along well.

Jun 30 Cloudy & wet commenced Raining this morning got our Bricak all secured and am glad to see it Rain. sett Brick all Day got the Kiln Ready to case. John Hise arrived with a new wife his third marriage on short acquaintence hope it may prove more congenial

than either of the others. shod Bob before he behaved pretty well. looks much like Rain at sunsett. Margaret & Lizzie went visiting out to Saxons.

Jul 1 Cloudy & warm. hoed my Tomatoes they look very well. cased our Kiln all over complete it is now ready for smearing.

Jul 2 Clear & warm. smeared the Kiln and sett fire to it about 2 O'clock PM. sold 2 heiffers for 60 Dollars to Wm Taylor for beef.

Jul 3 Clear & warm. went Down 4 miles South east of Dunganon to look at a Horse that was for Sale but neither the Horse nor the price suited me. I could have put up with the former but the latter I could not stand (200 Dollars for but an ordinary horse). got back in good time.

Jul 4 Clear & very pleasant this morning. some of our boys are at work & some have gone to Cleveland. Kiln is Doing well. Dave Mercer is helping Cris.

Jul 5 Clear & warm. Dave Mercer commenced moulding again this morning. 2 teams hauling wood. the 2 boys that went to Cleveland got back at noon some the worse (at least in looks) for the trip.

Jul 6 Clear and cloudy at intervals but Does not look much like Rain. all hands at work to Day some farming some hauling wood others making brick. John Hise & wife started home to Day I loaned John one hundred Dollars he is to send it to me in a few Days. Wm Wilson burried to Day a large funeral. looks some like Rain at sunsett.

Jul 7 Cloudy with a little Rain last night but not enough to wet the ground any. had another shower about 5 O'clock PM with considerable wind.

Jul 8 Cloudy & Pleasant. clears off and is warm. no brick making to Day Dave has given out. cleaned out the shed and filled some pits.

Jul 9 Clear & warm. Shut up our kiln this morning got a good burn I think. hauled 5 loads of Sand from Abe Hafleys Bank. checked out 150 Dollars with which I mean to buy a Horse tomorrow.

Jul 10 Clear & warm. hitched Bill to the Buggy for the first time and Pete Heitman & I went Down to New Alexander to see Perry Zeppernicks horse but he was not at home. we waited his coming until about sundown when I bought him for 170 dollars and started home where we arrived Safe at 12 O'clock midnight.

Jul 11 Clear & warm. mowed our grove and John Grove mowed some of our meadow. threatened rain but as usual passed off without giving us any. hauled in 2 loads of excellent hay. good rain went South.

Jul 12 Clear & cool. Grove mowed the Ballance of our meadow and we hauled it in. excellent hay.

Jul 13 Clear & warm. mowed one half of another of our meadows and got the most of it in splendid hay. got a letter from John Hise containing 50 Dollars of the one hundred lent him a few Days since.

Jul 14 Clear & warm. cutting our wheat to Day. hauled 2 loads of brick and one load of hay. looks a little like Rain at sundown.

Jul 15 Clear & warm. got up at 2 O'clock a little sprinkle of Rain is all we got last night scarce shows in the Dust no where else is it visible. got a shed Pole and repaired our shed thoroly made a good job of it.

Jul 16 Clear & warm. finished cutting our grass and got it all in. Paid Sloane off he has finally quit and gone home. Peter Heitman has gone Down to New Alexander to get me a hand in his Place.

Jul 17 Clear & warm. got up in good time went over to Sharps wood and cut 8 crooked ash Saplings and brot them home shoved them out for Standards for wood Rigging. made John a little waggon. Margaret & Lizzie went over to Caleb Arners got back at sunsett. covered our brick as it is a little cloudy at sundown. Peter returned and brot a hand with him to Dig clay.

Jul 18 Cloudy and very warm. one team is hauling brick and another is hauling old plank off of Main Street of which to make brick wood I get them for taking them away am very tired it is hard work. I tear up and split them as fast as the team hauls them.

Jul 19 Clear & warm. the girls has gone Down to Sharpnacks to wash started at 1/2 past 2 O'clock. I tore up plank and helped haul them.

Jul 20 Clear & very warm. hauled plank until 3 O'clock. Ironed our new molds want to start another sett of hands.

Jul 21 Cloudy at sunrise. hauled in our wheat (44 Dozen). went to Mrs Cumings and leveled a Spring for her. came home through a strip of woods in which I used to seek the 39 years ago had never saw it since. cleared off and there is now not the least sign of Rain. Dug clay in afternoon. Florrine Stafford is here arrived at 5 O'clock PM.

Jul 22 Clear and cool atmosphere is full of Smoke. Dug clay in forenoon. in afternoon bought Mrs Bennetts old waggon Paid 9 Dollars for it 3 Dollars more than it was worth. tore it up and got the iron off of it. hooped one of my wagons.

Jul 23 Clear & warm. got Cris to help me and we hooped both of our two horse wagons and I mended our grain cradle. still as dry as can be with appearance of Rain. wrote a

letter to Johnys Mother and one to Fred Sloane. must now go to bed.

Jul 25 Cloudy & Dull commenced Raining about 6 O'clock & Rained moderately all Day ground got a fine wetting. all hands worked under the shed. I shod one of our Horses.

Jul 26 Cloudy but no Rain to Day. sett Brick Dug clay etc. Dewitt commenced cutting our oats. Discovered a Spavin on Bob he is a gone up Horse the first one I ever had to Do so.

Jul 27 Cloudy & Dull in morning but soon cleared off. made 8000 Brick I Dug clay all Day. Dewitt is cutting our Oats.

Jul 28 Clear & warm. all hands went to work & Put up our Oats got it nearly all in the Barn it is a light crop. Margaret Crumrine visited us to Day Done some sewing on the machine for her.

Jul 29 Clear at sunrise but was cloudy & threatened Rain at 2 O'clock. I got up went up & covered the Brick but it Rained none. felt old this morning but must Pitch in. Dug some clay loaded Brick etc etc.

Jul 30 Clear & warm. got a letter from Munn & Co last evening and answered it this morning. so very hot some of our hands knocked off at noon. got 20 apple Barrels.

Jul 31 Clear & warm clouded up but no rain. walked out to Tom Sharps Foundry. spent most of the Day in idleness. made an auger to bore for clay found plenty in the meadow below the Barn.

Aug 1 Clear & warm. Sloane Returned this morning to Dig clay for us am now made up. made a pattern for pipe Box for our 2 horse wagon. cut burdox in brickyard lot. cloudy at sundown think it must Rain soon.

Aug 2 Cloudy with a splendid rain last night. corn is now made as far as regards rain. some sett. in afternoon had a hard rain. some put on shed in forenoon.

Aug 3 Cloudy & ground very wet. some sett Brick others tore up and split Plank on Main Street. Joseph Mercer burried to Day.

Aug 4 Clear & fine. 3 setts of hands moulded this forenoon. both teams hauled Old Plank got all off that we split yesterday. I put in my wagon box (thankgiving Day generally kept).

Aug 5 Clear and pleasant. must move some of our Oats it ws put in too Damp. took "Old Bill" Geo Englands Horse home. Bought 70 lb of ham cost 25 cts per lb.

Aug 6 Cloudy with a little Rain about 3 O'clock this morning. we got up and covered our

brick but it Rained very little. Joseph G Thomas (the Banker) Died at about 4 O'clock this morning with inflamation of the Bowels he was sick but 11 Days. no one man in Salem would have been missed more. he was emphatically a citizen having come to Salem when he was but 4 years of age. he is self made having by his own perserverence accumulated a large fortune (125000 at least). I have been acquainted and very intimate with him for 40 years. I can see him now Distinctly as I first Saw him in 1824 he was Dressed in a suit of Bottle green cloth that presume was the first suit of Pantaloons he ever wore. I am some 7 years older than he and he at the time I first saw him was playing in the street opposite Broadway. since then we have always been sociable and on the best of terms and I shall miss him much. (hauled sand and brick).

Aug 7 Clear & warm. got up early went Down the road and piled up some sand. called at Joshua Davis chatted until breakfast (of course I had to eat with them as no one can stay there at meal time without partaking with them. came home across lots. have spent the Day in idleness thus far. Jesse Hise & wife called out took Diner with us.

Aug 8 Clear & warm. Jesse Detrick quarreled with Bill Mercer this morning and quit. we still have 2 sett of hands. I helped haul brick. Joseph G Thomas burried to Day a large funeral I was sorry I could not attend it but I had some 6 masons would have been idle and they would not hear of it. Jesse Hise got a letter from Wait Saying that Mother Hise is very sick Sis will go up in the morning to see her.

Aug 9 Clear & warm. hauled brick. Sis started to Ravenna at 4 O'clock AM. hired James McCurdy to temper give him 30 Dollars per month and he boards himself. Milton Olds whose place he takes starts home this afternoon. heard from the children they got safe to Ravenna and found Mother Hise better.

Aug 10 Clear and warm. hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon walked out to Benj Harris to buy a horse but he is too old. come home by Jont Haines bought 5 pigs gave one Dollar a peice for them. came past Father Goulbourns called and took Supper with them. went on to Town but got no paper it having failed to come. heavy thunder no Rain here.

Aug 11 Clear & warm. got a Horse of Philip Evans to temper with this week. 2 teams hauling brick. considerable thunder and heavy Rain went north Rained a little here about 6 O'clock. Brick all up and covered.

Aug 12 Cloudy and looks like Raining. heavy clouds hanging in the west. hauled brick.

Aug 13 Clear & warm. hauled brick & plank. got out 8000 brick to Day which makes a full weeks for both setts of hands (4800) and is the first weeks work I ever had made that I Remember. heavy rains went round both north & South but we got none.

Aug 14 Cloudy & pleasant bur soon cleared off and is very pleasant. put in about the whole Day making a Rig to haul wood in. in evening Margaret & I took a Buggy ride

Down to Jonathan Haines. I Paid him 5 Dollars for 5 pigs am going after them in a few Days.

Aug 15 Clear & warm. one sett of hands molding the ballance are setting brick. Peter is hauling wood Dewitt manure. must get our wheat sowed by the 12th of Sept. put our new wagon bed on this evening.

Aug 16 Cloudy & warm. the girls have gone away to wash this morning. looks like Rain. sett brick until noon. some of the hands took in brick. Dave Mercer would not help I Paid him off and told him to leave he is too Damned ornery for any use. about one O'clock it commenced to Rain and altho we had our brick all up and covered. it Rained so fast and so long that all we had on the yard (some 3000) were spoiled. the culvert in town was too small (or too much stopped up) to take water off. the consequence was it backed up over all my brickyard lot. floated away everything floatable we lost some 4000 brick. the water was one foot Deep on the first floor of the Brick house on the corner belonging to A B Farquhar has not been so far for 12 years. on July first 1852 it was pretty near as high it then lacked one inch of running in at the windows of Adams Soap factory. now it was one inch above them. it might have been caused by back water as the culvert was obstructed some.

Aug 17 Cloud & wet Rained some in the night. things look hard this morning on the corner of Main & Lisbon Streets. bridges cooper stuff plank & wood of all conceivable shapes lies piled up in one common mess. sett some brick put our bridge that has washed away back to its place and Peter & I hauled a few Brick.

Aug 18 Cloudy & smoky. cleared off the yard (or some of it) hauled some brick. looks like rain at sunsett.

Aug 19 Cloudy & Dull. clearing off the yard setting and hauling brick etc etc. Rained a little in afternoon. Nona is quite poorly but at bedtime is some better.

Aug 20 Cloudy & Dull. completed by wagon bed. sett a gate Post and Repaired our gate into the woods. Peter went home this afternoon. took our buggy & sunshine. I Paid him ten Dollars & John Jones 5 Dollars Paid alfred Deetrick 15 60/100 Doll for his brother Jesse all I owe him. Rained hard about 6 O'clock PM. John Kineman Returned to Day.

Aug 21 Cloudy & wet Rained considerable through the night. went Down to Jont Haines and brot home my Pigs (5 of them). Campbellite yearly meeting going off.

Aug 22 Cloudy & wet. some sett brick and some Done nothing to wet to work out of Doors wet all Day. Cris & John Kineman went up to Berlin.

Aug 23 Cloudy & foggy at Daylight. I hope the Rain is now over for present.

Aug 24 Cloudy but pleasant. moulded brick until when it Rained some. the boys cased

the kiln in afternoon. bought 2 1/2 bushels of Potatoes cost 150 cents per bushel.

Aug 25 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up a little. all hands making Brick. I attended A P Phillips Sale Bought a sett of chains for 59 Dollars things generally sold high.

Aug 26 Cloudy & Dull. still moulding but not Drying any brick. I Done but little to Day Settled with Edwin Smith he owed me 114 20/100 Doll Paid me 64 20/100 Doll owes me 50 Dollars yet. Deposited 60 Dollars in bank. Rained hard at 6 O'clock PM. Wm H H Dickinson Returned to Day after an absence of 3 years as a Soldier in U S Army.

Aug 27 Cloudy and cooler. spent the Day on Main Street watching for Able Phillips want to settle with him but he is so busy he cannot find time. he Paid me 40 Dollars a few minutes before he had to take the train for Philadelphia I gave him a receipt for it Wm Eastman wrote it.

Aug 28 Cloudy & cool no Rain to Day. made a cane head is about all the work I Done to Day. no body visited us to Day & most of our folks were absent and we had a quiet time for once.

Aug 29 Clear & cloudy at intervals. some Dug clay some took in and sett brick. Peter & the girls went for elderberries got back at noon. found my two hundred Dollars at bank Robt Hampson had credited it to Louis Schilling in a mistake it is now all right. I was uneasy lest it could not be Readily found but they are very accurate with their accounts hence the ease with which the mistake was Discovered.

Aug 30 Clear and cool. made 8000 brick. Mother Hise got home from Ravenna at noon. clouded up in afternoon but no Rain. news of the fall of fort Morgan on Mobile Point is confirmed Confederacy is growing gradually weaker every Day.

Aug 31 Clear & cool at sunrise. one sett of hands sett Brick the other molded fine Drying Day getting along first rate now.

Sep 1 Clear & cool fine brick weather now as can be. got our kiln sett and cased up. I took in Brick in afternoon.

Sep 2 Clear & fine as can be. Dewitt finished Plowing for wheat. smeared the Kiln and sett fire to it at noon. Wm Mercer got a Dispatch from his home in Philadelphia Demanding his presence there forthwith. settled with and Paid him off 47 25/100 Doll gave him check. threshed some Oats.

Sep 3 Cloudy. Cris is making brick. I attended the Kiln. good war news Atlanta is ours the Rebel army under Hood is cut in two & General Hardee Reported Killed. Barnaby & Rank Paid me 150 Dollars Deposited it except 25 Dollars. Paid Dennis 3 Dollars & A Henshilwood 2 Dollars. Bought 3 of cotton cloth for Pantaloons cost 1 25/100 per yard.

Sep 4 Cloudy & wet Rained hard about Daylight. I was up at the Kiln all night. Some of Salems Hundred Day men Passes through on their way to Camp Chase to be mustered out. Stopped and took a bite of breakfast at the Depot a vast concourse of People assembled to see them most of whom contributed something for them to eat. they were all hungry & tired. Margaret & I spent the afternoon at Marius Robinsons Mr & Mrs Gordon Mrs Bown John Deming & Lady Eli Fawcett & wife Joel & Sarah McMillen were all there.

Sep 5 Cloudy & wet Rained about all Day hard time to burn brick but we have it to Do.

Sep 6 Cloudy & wet Rained considerable in the night is very wet. we can Do nothing now hard time to burn brick.

Sep 7 Cloudy & wet Drizzled Rain good part of the Day. Kiln is Doing well.

Sep 8 Clear as a bell this morning everything looks cheerful. news this morning of the Death of John Morgan of Rebel notoriety he was surprised and Killed at greenville somewhere in the vicinity of Bulls Gap Ky. Aaron Henshilwood went to Ravenna to go as fireman on the A G Western R Road. Ezra Wait was in town a few minutes this afternoon.

Sep 9 Cloudy & wet clouded up in the night and at 4 O'clock commenced Raining. Our Kiln is nearly finished burning.

Sep 10 Cloudy but no Rain to Day. got 6 forks for shed. threshed some oats shut up our Kiln at Daylight got a good burn.

Sep 11 Cloudy & wet. Done nothing to Day but repaired Johns Drum. Father Goulbourn & Mother Hise took Diner with us.

Sep 12 Clear & cool. 2 setts of hands making brick. Peter & Dewitt are threshing wheat with a flail. I am too unwell to work to Day (am 51 years of age).

Sep 13 Clear & cool. all hands making Brick. Peter commenced a new shed. Bought and brot home our seed wheat 12 bushels 25 20/100 Doll the ground is yet too wet to sow.

Sep 14 Cloudy & wet Rained hard about Daylight. all hands worked at the shed got one good one. cleared off in afternoon. Samuel Trescott Died this morning at 5 O'clock.

Sep 15 Clear as a bell at sunrise never saw a pleasanter morning. made brick until noon when it clouded up and Rained. we hauled brick in afternoon but made none

Sep 16 Cloudy & wet Rained last night. hauled Brick Dug clay etc until noon made brick in afternoon. clear at sunsett.

Sep 17 Clear & fine all Day. all hands made brick to Day got out eight thousand.

Sep 18 Clear & Pleasant but afternoon clouded up and at 5 O'clock Rained hard with considerable wind. got our brick all up and covered in time.

Sep 19 Clear & cool. some molded & some took in Brick getting along very well to Day. Sloane returned at noon will Dig clay tomorrow.

Sep 20 Clear and fine brick weather as can be this time of year. some hauled some molded and some wheeled in. rumors of a great victory over the Rebel Early in the Shenandoah Valley.

Sep 21 Clear most of the Day. all went right on the Brick yard. Paid Alfred Deetrick 4 Dollars all I owe him. looks like Rain hope it wont as I want to sow my wheat tomorrow.

Sep 22 Clear & beautiful weather as can be. sowed some of our wheat to Day. cool wind from the Southwest at sunsett. Paid Phillip Evans 12 50/100 for corn.

Sep 23 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up was Dull but no appearance of Rain. harrowing our wheat to Day. all going right at the Brick yard.

Sep 24 Cloudy & wet hard wind and rain last night. we commenced setting our 3rd Kiln to Day. Rained considerable in forenoon. (Mary Hick went home).

Sep 25 Clear & cool all Day clouded up in afternoon. trimmed our Sofa mended the cooking stove and Done up schores generally. Geo Gordon visited us this afternoon.

Sep 26 Clear & cool. am going to cut up our corn to Day must get ready for winter. I hauled Brick. Settled with Frederic Sloane owed 48 Dollars gave him my note for it he Did not want the money nor Do I but perhaps I can use it so as to make it Pay.

Sep 27 Clear at sunrise but was some cloudy. 2 teams hauling brick 2 sett of hands moulding got out 8000 got but few more to make this fall.

Sep 28 Cloudy & wet Drizzled rain most of the forenoon. shod one of my horses. Geo Martin is hanging our inside blinds. hauled brick this afternoon. cloudy & cool at sundown.

Sep 29 Cloudy & wet Rained most of the Day. shod some of our horses. Geo Martin finished hanging our inside blinds and Parlor Door.

Sep 30 Cloudy & cold and wet. some sett and some hauled brick. cold and disagreeable all Day. good war news. (Fanny Lease Died this morning).

Oct 1 Cloudy. hauled brick until noon when it commenced raining and continued all the afternoon. we got our brick nearly all sett.

Oct 2 Cloudy & Dull. Cris & I finished setting our Kiln got Done in good time. I Done nothing the ballance of the Day but sleep.

Oct 3 Cloudy & Dull. engaged 4 teams to haul wood. helped load brick in afternoon. got the Kiln cased up. no rain to Day. good Army news Grant is threatening Richmond.

Oct 4 Cloudy & warm all Day. Jacob Farquhar Wm Davis A B Forker & Samuel Sharpnack all hauled wood for me to Day one of my own teams assisted. we hauled out 14 cords from Joseph Davis clearing.

Oct 5 Cloudy & Dull. 2 teams hauled brick & one hauled wood. hard shower of Rain at 5 O'clock PM on the yard but not at the farm.

Oct 6 Cloudy & wet Rained hard at Day break could scarcely keep the water out of the arches of our Kiln. Settled with S W Chaney & Dennis Weis owed the former 117 54/100 Doll and the latter 8 43/100 D Paid them both off. cleared off this afternoon and now looks as if the wet weather was over for the season.

Oct 7 Clear & cool. our Kiln is Doing well. hauled wood and brick. clouded up and Rained hard in afternoon the Roads are getting so bad we can scarcely haul. we are having so much wet weather we can scarce Do anything.

Oct 8 Cloudy cold and Raw snowed and Rained alternately all Day. Peter went home this afternoon. I shod 2 of our horses. Roads Bad and weather cold and Disagreeable.

Oct 9 Cloudy & cold snowed all night but of course melted as it fell the ground not being cold enough to keep snow yet. Disagreeable time to burn brick but we are putting it through. growed gradually colder all Day and at sundown is very windy raw & cold.

Oct 10 Clear & cold pumpkin vines frozen this morning. hauling Brick cutting up the Ballance of our corn. our Kiln is nearly Done shut it up at 4 O'clock this morning. clouded up some through the Day.

Oct 11 Clear & cool but was fine all Day. hauled Brick with 2 teams. Election going off quietly.

Oct 12 Cloudy & cold. 3 teams hauling brick to Day. I spent the Day hunting a girl to work for us. the election news is good as far as heard from.

Oct 13 Clear & cloudy at intervals & cold all Day with wind in north. 3 teams hauling Brick. opened our Kiln it appears to be well burned.

Oct 14 Clear and cloudy at intervals. 3 teams hauling Brick. Lizzie Wait is here to Day. Amos Aspey & his Sister was with us last night. Rachel Davis Died.

Oct 15 Cloudy warmer. Boiled some of our cider hauled brick etc etc hurried too much.

Oct 16 Cloudy. commenced our Apple butter but found I could not finish it & quit it until tomorrow. took Margaret Jones home. Father & Mother Goulbourn visited us. Rachel Davis burried.

Oct 17 Clear & pleasant. got Aaron Henshilwood to help make our apple butter I went and brot a girl to help us (Eliza McGlenn. settle with Cris Kineman owed him 225 Dollars gave him my Due bill for 175 Dollars will pay him the Ballance on tomorrow.

Oct 18 Cloudy & cool all Day. hunting up all the Brick I can find to finish the Buildings I have undertaken to furnish. Wm Hewett got home to Day he has been three years in the Army.

Oct 19 Cloudy & cool. Both teams hauling brick. I wheeled off old Brick off the yard between loading the wagons. got a Scotch Birch tree from Rochester N Y cost one Dollar. Margaret has gone up to hear Calvin Fairbanks lecture he was innured in the Kentucky Penintentiary 17 years.

Oct 20 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. checked out 75 Doll Paid Cris 50 of it Joel McMillen 5. sat out a scotch Birch tree. no war news to Day.

Oct 21 Clear & pleasant with a sharp frost. all busy hauling brick. news of another Victory by Sheridan in the Shenandoah valey.

Oct 22 Cloudy & cold. still hauling brick trying our best to keep all hands going but find it very Difficult to keep them all Satisfield. some appear jealous lest others will get their brick first. I will Do my best to Supply all.

Oct 23 Clear and Pleasant fall wether as one could ask. am boiling Down cider will make a little more apple butter. Picked a few winter apples but soon got tired of it.

Oct 24 Cloudy & Pleasant. got up early went Down to Theodore Watsons engaged wood privilege of him want to cut wood there. went over to Sam Sharpnack and got breakfast went there to see Uncle Silas about wood privilege but he was not at home. came from there to the Brick yard.

Oct 25 Clear & as pleasant as can be. Peter hauled Brick. I & Jo Smith commenced tearing Down the Old tyle Kiln to get the Brick Big job. Dewitt husked a load of corn for the hogs.

Oct 26 Cloudy but pleasant fall weather. both teams hauling brick. Peter hauled from

Abel Strawn for Robt Hole. I & Jo tore away at our old Kiln getting excellent brick. Nora is unwell.

Oct 27 Cloudy & Dull Rained some through the Day. I am too unwell to work. went to Columbiana to buy brick but could get none.

Oct 28 Cloudy & cool. finished hauling brick by noon. in afternoon we hauled in our logs at shinns Sawmill and brot away what lumber we had there. I am considerable better to Day.

Oct 29 Cloudy but fine fall weather. Peter & I Hauled some brick. Dewitt picked our winter apples had but 5 barrel. Paid Jacob Brinker 3.87 1/2 for butter bought of him last summer. Paid little Jo Smith 8 25/100 for work Done.

Oct 30 Cloudy & cold. Drew a Design for Silver plate for the Coffin of Joseph G Thomas his widdow is going to have him taken up and put in another place. Peter Heitman has gone home to Day I am in hopes he will help us husk our corn.

Oct 31 Cloudy but Pleasant out Doors is fine weather for Doing fall work. I cleaned brick at the Old tyle Kiln.

Nov 1 Cloudy & cold. hauled brick got about all hauled that I could Raise. Dewitt is digging Potatoes. I Paid Charles Bossett for 2 Barrels of cider $5 50/100. cold all Day.

Nov 2 Cloudy & cold all Day. worked some in shop.

Nov 3 Clear & cold hard frost last night froze a lot of our potatoes that was Dug & left uncovered in the Patch. hired Wm McKee to help. Paid John Jones off he got tired of work & we got as tired of him.

Nov 4 Cloudy cool & wet rained all night. Blacksmithed a little sawed some wood in forenoon. in afternoon blacksmithed some. Isaac Bonsall sent for bob wants to buy him.

Nov 5 Cloudy & cold with some snow on the ground. went up town saw bob hitched up he is more than a match for Bonsalls horse. James Brown Jr gave me a check for 55 Dollars with the forty five given to me on wensday by his father makes one hundred Dollars they have Paid me in money up to Date. Bought 2 barrels of cider cost 5 Dollars the two. our hired girl had to go home her Sister is sick.

Nov 6 Cloudy & Dull. I Blacksmithed most of the Day at work on a log wagon.

Nov 7 Cloudy & Dull. helped repair my wagon at Jesse Hise. Dewitt & William husked corn.

Nov 8 Cloudy & wet. to Day Abraham Lincoln is to be Reelected to the office of

President of the (once United States) with the intention that he will conquer a Peace. I vote early. shod 3 of my horses and in the afternoon Dewitt & I went to Albany & brot 1200 Brick to Wm Lease.

Nov 9 Cloudy warm & wet. Dewitt & William is hauling brik being too wet to husk corn. I took John Thomas's little mare home.

Nov 10 Cloudy with weather much the Same. the Boys are hauling brick. I got the cellar way all ready to wall up John Marshall is comingtomorrow to wall it up. Doc Goucher of Pittsburgh is with us he and Lizzie Dickinson expects to be married. J F Dickinson is here also.

Nov 11 Cloudy with some indications of Snow. John Marshall came on this morning to wall our cellar way. I settled with and Paid Peter Heitman 50 Doll all I owed him. Margaret & Lizzie went visiting out to Hannah Wilsons J F Dickinson went with them. Sold my spring colt for 30 Dollars. got our cellar way Done complete.

Nov 12 Cloudy & snowing. cleared out the cellar and helped Chessman put in his Pump for which he gave me a very good pocket knife.

Nov 13 Cloudy with some more snow. spent the Day by the fire although in the morning I went up Town to see hannah Kale. talked a couple of hours and came home at 5 O'clock went up with Buggy and brot her & her trunk out she is going to work for us again we are made up now as she is the best help we ever had.

Nov 14 Cloudy & cool. we sawed wood in forenoon and hauled it in afternoon. weather is still Disagreeable.

Nov 15 Cloudy & cool with a little moresnow. too rough to work out of Doors. Peter Heitman came on this morning to work again. I repaired my wagon.

Nov 16 Clear & pleasant at sunrise. cut and hauled timber to the wood saw until noon. in afternoon hauled 2 loads of brick from Albany for Wm Lease.

Nov 17 Cloudy & wet. hauled 2 more loads of Brick for Lease gathered some apples in afternoon is too wet to husk corn.

Nov 18 Cloudy & Dull. worked at the cellar in forenoon got all fixed up snug and the pavement around the outside cellar Door laid. in afternoon the Boys worked at the corn.

Nov 19 Clear at sunrise with the ground froze some. the Boys are husking to Day. I have Rheumatism in my back so bad I can Do but little. spent the Day in town to but little purpose. the Boys husked corn. Pleasant all Day. J F Dickinson is here to night.

Nov 20 Cloudy & cold ground froze & white frost thawed through the Day. we all went

visiting at John Gordons I went and came home on foot. Rained all the evening and was very Dark.

Nov 21 Cloudy and wet. fixed up our Carriage House & cut up some beef. spent the afternoon up Town. Dewitt chopped wood.

Nov 22 Cloudy & cold a little snow on the ground. we cut some Sawlogs in Joshua Hilliards woods. I settled with Brnaby & Rank they owed and Paid me 164 50/100 Dollars. Bought me a Pair of boots cost 7 Dollars.

Nov 23 Cloudy & cold. cut saw logs until noon. the Boys hauled wood in afternoon. I settled with White & Sons they owed and gave me a check to the National Bank for 165 Doll. waited for the Commercial but it was two hours behind & I came home without it.

Nov 24 Clear & cold. hauled in two Sawlogs when the Boys quit and went to husking corn. I went to Town on business but could Do nothing as everything was shut up on account of General thanksgiving Day.

Nov 25 Clear & cold but as I write looks as though we might have a fine Day to husk corn. in afternoon I went and brot a load of coal left it in Joseph Fawcetts lane for safe keeping it is Designed for the Soldiers Families.

Nov 26 Cloudy & wet having Rained last night. I took my coal where the committee Directed. There was but little contributed the Day was unfavorable. Peter & Dewitt both quit at noon. Concluded to go to Nashville to Drive team. This leaves me without a hand to help me, but I must help myself.

Nov 27 Clear & pleasant as can be. put pavement Soles on my new boots and Rockers on Noras chair. John Clemen his wife & Family Marius Robinson with Emly (his wife & Miss Suliot called in & spent a few minutes very agreeable.

Nov 28 Cloudy & Dull. the Boys are getting ready to start to Nashville I Paid them both off. Abel Phillips Died.

Nov 29 Clear & Pleasant. husked corn to Day John Fisher & I got in one wagon laod.

Nov 30 Clear & Pleasant. 3 hands husking corn I hauled it in getting along fine.

Dec 1 Cloudy but nice for getting in corn. 2 hands husking corn to Day. Nora is 2 years old to Day. Doctor J Goucher of Pittsburgh came at 10 O'clock intending to marry Lizzie Dickinson but he had forgotten that a License was required in order to marry in Ohio and consequently they were (as he was in a great hurry to return) forced to go to Pittsburgh to get married. the left on the 12 O'clock train.

Dec 2 Cloudy & Dull. finished husking our corn and got it all in. the Crib would not

hold it all we put one load in the Barn. Rained some in afternoon.

Dec 3 Cloudy & wet Rained hard in forenoon. Paid off my corn huskers spent the Day in Town.

Dec 4 Cloudy & cold ground froze considerable. got up at Day break & went Down to Holloways Sawmill to tell them how to Saw my logs. they have several of them sawed. called in at Paskeil Leeds a few minutes on my way home. called and got the Commercial. Norman Garrigues & his Lady visited us this afternoon.

Dec 5 Cloudy & cold. made a couple of axe handles spent the Ballance of the Day up Town.

Dec 6 Cloudy & warm with some Rain. hauled a load of flour for Calvin Brainard from Amity Mills. Roads Bad. went to John Gordons to tell him of the arrival of Geo Thompson of England who is to lecture in concert Hall this evening. Margaret & I attended and how well we were Paid I will not undertake to say. the world cannot excel him.

Dec 7 Cloudy & wet. spent a part of the Day up Town. in afternoon went Down to Holloways Sawmill they are sawing away at my joice. very windy but still warm at sunsett.

Dec 8 Clear & cold ground froze hard windy & cold all Day. worked in shop for John Grove Repairing his waggon. still cold at Dark.

Dec 9 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard. settled with Wm Lease he owed and gave me a check for 385 43/100 Doll I Deposited it in Farmers Bank.

Dec 10 Cloudy & cold with 2 inches of snow. took Bill (Horse) up town for Sale Dont know Positive whether I sold him or not. got a letter from Patent office Saying that the Patent on my Rail Road Joint has been allowed. I was Disappointed in that as I had given it up as unpatentable. hauled a load of wood & 1 of cornfodder.

Dec 11 Cloudy & cold. Margaret & I went over to Father Goulbourns in a Sleigh Poor Sleighing but better than with a Carriage. Stormed more or less all Day. Got home before Dark.

Dec 12 Cloudy & cold too rough to work out Doors. Put in 3 new cellar windows. spent most of the Day up Town.

Dec 13 Cloudy & cold. hauled 3 loads of wood 1 Do of Corn fodder & 1 load of boards from Shinns Saw mill. Paid E T Vickers 528 60/100 Doll money I Borrowed of him last March. James Brown Paid me $97.71 cents.

Dec 14 Cloudy with more snow. repaired my stable lengthened out the Stalls to prevent my Horses from Kicking one another. made a good job of it. Doc Lyons Paid me 9 50/100 Doll. Paid Hannah 3 Dollars. warmer this afternoon Snow softened some.

Dec 15 Cloudy with weather a little cooler. I hauled in 5 small loads of corn fodder. snowed considerable about the middle of the Day. S W Chaney arrived on the noon Train. I took 3 large boxes of household goods up to Depot & shipped them to Doc J Goucher of Pittsburgh to whose wife (the late Lizzie Dickinson) they belonged. Hannah & I went to hear Alf Burnett the celebrated Humorist. was well entertained.

Dec 16 Cloudy and moderate winter. Wilkie & I went out to haul Saw logs but it soon commenced Raining and were forced to quit after hauling in one log. spent the afternoon in Town got a Draft for 45 Dollars to send to Munn & Co New York. Milton Davis wife Burried to Day. Died of Consumption.

Dec 17 Cloudy & Dull a Dense fog prevails at Daylight. Done some Repairs to James Bennetts wagon. sent Munn & Co a Draft for 45 Dollars. in afternoon we went Down to Washingtonville and got 20 bushels of coal cost 2 80/100 Doll there. the Roads are excellent. Foggy all Day.

Dec 18 Clear at Daylight and a little cooler. soon clouded up and at 8 O'clock is cloudy all overhead. Jim Bennett & I worked all Day repairing his wagon. Rained some.

Dec 19 Cloudy & wet. sent 50 Dollars with James Brown Jr to pay my Tax. in afternoon we commenced threshing our wheat. the mice has enjoyed it very much. commenced getting cold about sunsett. Sold Bob for 140 Dollars Done well.

Dec 20 Cloudy & cold. finished threshing our wheat cleaned it up & took it to mill. had but 10 1/2 bushedls making 16 1/2 in all which is rather a small crop. from mill I went over to the axe factory. saw them make the first axe they made. Thomas Pinkham Jr committed Suicide (By hanging) about 2 O'clock PM. life was not quite extinct when he was Discovered but was too far gone to be revived. he has ever been a Religeous maniac.

Dec 21 Cloudy & cold. Spent most of the Day in Town. took Bob up to the Phillips House & got my Pay 140 Doll. am glad he is gone he eat too much.

Dec 22 Cloudy & cold. worked all Day at Jacob Sells sawmill helping saw some flooring. came hom around the Rail Road. Jumped on a train while in motion and Rode up to the Station. spent the evening in Chessmans Store. Jacob Heaton maped out Chatanooga and its surroundings. gave us the best Descriptions of the Battles of Chicamauga Lookout Mountain & Mission Ridge that I ever heard. was very interesting.

Dec 23 Cloudy & cold. went back to sawmill until noon. got my stuff all sawed. Wilkinson hauled it all home. inafternoon I chopped and he hauled wood. quite cold.

Dec 24 Cloudy & cold. I shod 2 of our Horses by noon. in afternoon ground my axe preparatory to chopping wood. cannot hrie anyone & must chop myself as I am bound to have wood. bought a small Turkey for Christmas. David Dickinson arrived in Town yesterday. he has been absent a number of years. Hannah went to town to night.

Dec 25 Clear & cold. went out to T Sharps Foundry and found nothing going on. came home and spent the Ballance of the Day. thawed considerable.

Dec 26 Cloudy & warm. Sawed wood all Day. thawed moderately all Day.

Dec 27 Cloud & warm. hauled our wood home. sett one hand to chopping wood. Bought 77 1/4 lb of good beef.

Dec 28 Cloudy & cool with ground froze some. worked at my R R moddel to Day. thawed some and Roads muddy.

Dec 29 Cloudy & cool ground froze some last night. worked some at my model. Wilkie chopped.

Dec 30 Cloudy and moderate winter. finished my model. commenced ironing a Sleigh for John Gordon.

Dec 31 Cloudy with 2 inches of snow this morning. hauled in some fodder and blacksmithed some. spent the afterpart of the Day in town. cold and fine winter weather. farewell to 1864.

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Jan 1 Six O'clock AM. have just arisen from a fine nights rest and after kindling a fire and while waiting for the Room to get warm (for the weather is cold). concluded to get Down (what I have been in the habit of Doing for the last 14 years) the incidents and the weather. Discovered the volume I have been using to be entirely filled up I have hunted this one and have made a beginning in it. it is not yet light out of Doors. ah! I hear Dear little Nora calling to get up and I must answer that call by going after her as the Room is now warm. Papered our Dining Room. had a call ____ George sheets & Joseph Jobes the latter an old acquaintence who moved to Iowa some 20 years since and whom I had not saw until now. he is looking rather Old. "time creeps on the wisest & happiest". cold all Day.

Jan 2 Cloudy & cold fine winter weather as can be. hauled in 3 good Saw logs. in afternoon I Blacksmithed. Wilkie hauled wood.

Jan 3 Cloudy & cold. weather just about the same. Wilkie hauled Isaac Trescott a load of coal in forenoon. in afternoon he hauled wood. I worked all Day at Mr Gordons sleigh got it about Done. Roads are excellent now.

Jan 4 Cloudy & cold. wind blows strong this morning. hauled Plank from Martins Mill in forenoon. in afternoon Wilkie hauled wood. Geo Gordon came and got his Sleigh.

Jan 5 Cloudy with weather moderated considerable. lent Zed Street my model for Rail Road couplings. I was Reluctant to Do so but he bothered me so much that to get shut of him I let him have it. he claimed hewas going to show it to Gov Brough of Ohio & Gov Morton of Indiana both prominent R Road men but there is no knowing where he may go with it before he returns. My letters Patent came by mail to Day. I spent the Day in Town. Bought 232 lb of excellent beef cost 8 cts per lb. Paid for the planking of Main Street in front of my 18 1/2 foot lot No 1 Davis Edition 34 23/100).

Jan 6 Cloudy & warm. Raining a little at Daylight. Drizzled Rain all Day but thawed very little. about Dark commenced growing a little colder. spent the Day in Town.

Jan 7 Cloudy windy and cold with 3 or 4 inches of snow. Drifted very much. wind blowed hard all night. spent the Day in Town. Settled with Isaac Trescott he owed me something over 7 Dollars.

Jan 8 Clear & as pleasant winter as one could wish good sleighing. met Jesse Duck & wife there had a pleasant visit. came home in good time. just cool enough to keep the snow from melting. found all right at home.

Jan 9 Cloudy & very moderate winter weather. Wilkie & I hauled in 5 sawlogs from Nicholas Betz to Samuel Martins sawmill. snowed very fast in afternoon but is too warm.

I fear the snow will not last long.

Jan 10 Cloudy and very cold Rain falling at Daylight and continued until afternoon when it turned colder & snowed as fast as I ever saw it. we could Do nothing to Day. spent the Day up town. Blowing a gale at 7 O'clock the snow is Drifting terribly.

Jan 11 Cloudy & cold. brot home our new Carpet. hauled in one saw log. snow is too Deep in the woods to haul logs. cold at sundown.

Jan 12 Clear & cold. got an early start & went to haul logs got in 5 nice ones. I walked up the Rail Road to Town & got the Commercial.

Jan 13 Cloudy & some warmer. hauled 5 more logs. snow give a little but it is as fine a time to get in logs as I ever saw. came home by way of R Road and got the Commercial. looks like we are to have more snow.

Jan 14 Cloudy with one inch more snow. wind blowed hard all night but is not cold. hauled only 3 logs to Day was too stormy. we came home at 1 O'clock. David Dickinson is with us this evening and is going to stay all night. he is in poor health.

Jan 15 Cloudy & fine winter weather as can be. Mr & Mrs Gordon visited us. Elizabeth Dickinson and her Husband (Doc J Goucher) of Pittsburgh & Jesse Duck & wife was here. they all spent the evening with us. had a pleasant time generally.

Jan 16 Cloudy & cold with a little more snow. Elizabeth & her husband stayed all night & took breakfast with us after which they went to make a few calls on Friends and took the 12 O'clock Train for home. Wilkie & I hauled Sawlogs as fine weather for that as can be.

Jan 17 Cloudy & cold with a little more snow. hauled Saw logs got all hauled from Nic Betzs. I fell off the Sled and got a severe bunmp on my head. came nearer getting seriously hurt than I Remember to have Done.

Jan 18 Cloudy & cold. hired Cris Kineman to help me chop fire wood as we are out. he & I cut & Wilkie hauled. got in a fine lot of it. hitched Bill to the Sleigh went Down to Jacob Sills to get him to Do some sawing for me but he could not. come home by Town Showed my Horse to Mr Brooks of Jersey he Did not Buy him.

Jan 19 Cloudy & cold. can be no better Sleighing than we are having now. Wilkie & I cut 4 big Oak sawlogs in forenoon. in afternoon I hitched up Bill and Drove him up Town. Showed him to Mr Marshall of Chester Co Pa. he Bought him for 150 Dollars all I asked him. I must have my Price or not sell. I am to keep him until Monday next. waited up Town for the Commercial but got it not. Trains off the track Somewhere.

Jan 20 Clear & cold. trees covered with frost look beautiful indeed. hauled in our 4 big

logs. John Groves sent his 2 Horses & a Driver to help us. weather still good.

Jan 21 Cloudy and a very little warmer. hauled in 2 more large logs this AM got all hauled that we have cut. in afternoon we hauled a load of Bark for Butchering purposes and one load of corn fodder. warmer & Drizzled Rain.

Jan 22 Cloudy warmer and Dense fog (or mist) falling. went visiting out to Richard Ramsdens met Jo Saxon & wife, Jeremiah Saxon & wife Wm Lease & wife, Jesse Hise & wife went with J Flickinson and his Son David were there also & some 1/2 Doz others that I cannnot now name. we had a good Sociable visit and got home Safe about Dark. still thawing at bedtime.

Jan 23 Cloudy and snowing with wind in northwest. not much prospect of our Sleighing leaving us yet awhile. want to Butcher to Day but it so stormy I Dread it. But we went at it and soon got it Done. had 3 good ones (hogs). cut them up in evening.

Jan 24 Cloudy and cold. took Bill (the Horse I sold up to the Phillips House and from there to the Cars intending to help car them but could not wait as the Car was not ready. showed a man where to chop and made us a lard press and helped press out our lard have a fine lot of it. Wilkie helped Grove haul logs in afternoon.

Jan 25 Clear & cold. mended both my sleds in forenoon. in afternoon went to Town. cold weather. chopped our Sausage meat at Doles cost 68 cents cheap enough.

Jan 26 Cloudy & most everlasting cold. too cold to work at anything. went up Town and stayed there until 4 O'clock.

Jan 27 Cloudy & cold as usual. Salted my meat. hauled in some fodder. wilkie hauled a couple of loads of wood. very cold and sleighing good as can be. want to start to Cleveland in the morning. Sister Ura & Phebe visited us to Day.

Jan 28 Cloudy & cool. we all got up early. Daniel Sharpnack Eltina his Sister and myself and went to Depot. had to wait 2 hours as the train was that long behind time but we made connection at Alliance and arrived Safe at Ravenna. found Sister Elizabeth and Mother Hise well.

Jan 29 Cloudy with weather just the Same. Wait & I called on a Friend of his and chatted a few minutes after which Wait went to his office and I walked about Town until I got tired. after Diner he & I went to Franklin Mills in a Sleigh. I looked at the fences so much that I got Sea Sick but soon got over it by laying Down and keeping still.

Jan 30 Cloudy and weather a very little warmer. at 1/2 past 8 O'clock I started for Cleveland where I arrived in good time. went to City Hotel and left my over coat for which I took a check. soon came across Charles Pope went with him to the office where he & his Father Does business. had a good chat went & took Diner with them. from

there went Down to their Factory and looked them over. they manufacture about 13 hundred yards of cloth per Day. spent the afternoon hunting up the File makers. found none short of Rockville 5 miles up the lake. was near night when I got there but i found a Hotel where I took Supper & lodging.

Jan 31 Cloudy & weather as pleasant as can be. got up early. on going out of Doors found the Landlord had a Pet wolf a pet fox & Pet Rackoon. with the former I played some as he appeared very friendly. after breakfast I started on foot for the City. soon got an oppertunity of Riding of which I availed myself. arrived in west Cleveland went to see the City Water works. 69 steps up took me to the top of the Basin (or Reservoir). from there I went to the works proper where I was cordially received. had a good chat with the 1st Engineer who appeared to be very much of a gentleman and a good look at the machinery which by the way is far ahead of anything I ever saw in that line. was on top of the Tower which took 230 steps to reach. I found it quite too elevated a position for me. I soon saw all I wanted to and Descended again. went to the City Hotel took Diner and got my over coat (where I had left it the Day before). went to Johnson House where I found Henry Kidd a Collored Man with whom when we were boys I went to School. we had not met for some 20 eyars. of course we were mutually Pleased to see other. after staying with him as long as I could I took the Cars for Willoughby Lake Co O where we arrived in Due time. found a good Hotel took Supper & lodging. too late in the Day to see about a Tyle machine. the evening proved a long one as I was tired and lonesome.

Feb 1 Cloudy with weather much the Same. after breakfast hunted up Mr Penfield the maker of Tile machines. looked them over but Did not buy one (expect to though). at ten O'clock left for Cleveland again where we arrived in good time. met C C Griffing on the Cars had quite a chat with him. went with him Dr St Johns of Willoughby to the metropolitan Book Store where each of us bought a volume of Renans life of Jesus. took Diner at the Johnson House and at 1 O'clock and 50 minutes started for home. met with Joseph Heiton on the cars had a good chat with him. arrived safe at home about 6 O'clock PM. found all well and was glad to get back (I soon get tired being from Home).

Feb 2 Clear & cloudy at intervals. this is Amber Day and the ground hog can see his shaddow so that according to the Dutch rule we are to have 6 weeks winter yet. attended John Oliphants Sale. Bought a large spinning wheel, a Tanning Mill & 4 bushels of Potatoes & 3 Do of apples. thawed a little but is yet excellent Sleighing.

Feb 3 Cloudy & warmer. Rained a little all Day. brot home our things bought at the Sale yesterday. Sloanes wife called to lift some money left in my hands for Safe keeping but she Did not get it.

Feb 4 Cloudy and warm. wind blows considerable will soon freeze up. thawed some through the Day. hauled in 2 loads of corn fodder. wilkie hauled a load of Slack. I spent the afternoon up town. got my broad axe ground complete.

Feb 5 Cloudy & colder very icy this morning. shod Sunshine all around. ironed a

singletree for John Grove. went Down to Joshua Davis and spent an hour or two very pleasantly took Diner with them. went Down to Holloways old mill from there to Paskell Leeds where I met Margaret Nora & Sis where we were visiting. we all came home in the Sleigh. snowed some with wind in northwest.

Feb 6 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. my back is very sore this morning. Done but little in forenoon. went Down to Jacob Sells and Joshua Hilliards. got him to show me timber to cut. must get some boards for making Tile.

Feb 7 Cloudy & fine winter weather. got Cris Kineman to help me. he & I cut logs and Wilkie Hauled them. fell one large Chestnut that had a coons winter quarters in it. a limb fell on it and held it fast in the snow without hurting. we secured him and brot him home. he is young but very Savage. gave him a bed in an empty barrel. Snowed all Day good sledding as can be.

Feb 8 Cloudy & snowing. Margaret & Sis has gone to Canfield Took 2 Horses and the Bob Sled. took a full load of women but I Do not know who all went. we are getting in logs. our folks got safe back at sunsett.

Feb 9 Cloudy and cold. cut & hauled logs. snowed some through the Day. got along well (coon got away).

Feb 10 Cloudy and a little colder. Wilkie & I finished hauling our logs 35 in all. I split wood while he went with a log. am tired to night.

Feb 11 Cloudy & pleasant winter as can be. Wilkie hauled 3 loads of wood. I Done nothing to Day. have worked hard the ballance of the week. had considerable of a Dispute in Town with a man by the name of Russellwho under took to chop wood for me for one Dollar per cord and such cords as he put up I never saw. since I saw the first it seems impossible to get an honest cord of wood. if Jesus had have said it was a hard for a Camell to pass through the eye of a needle as it would be to find an honest wood chopper he would have been quite as near the truth and the only reason he Did not use the figure in this way can only be accounted for is the fact that Galilee was a warm country and therefore Did not abound in wood choppers.

Feb 12 Cloudy & cold. most awful stormy this morning. wind blows the snow into every crevice about the house. stuck close to the fire all Day. Don Hewett called out to see us. he is Discharged honorably and looks well. spent all Day at home is to stormy to go out.

Feb 13 Clear & cold about the coldest morning we have had this winter. sun shone pleasant all Day but thawed none of account. hauled in 2 loads of fodder. spent the Ballance of the Day up Town. Margaret & I spent the evening at John Groves came home at 9 O'clock.

Feb 14 Clear & cold. no wind blowing this morning. hauled 2 load of flooring board

from Holloways mill. Settled with C B Stratton he owed me 156 63/100 Doll gave me a check to the 1st National Bank. Drew the money & Deposited 140 Dollars of it in the Farmers Bank gave 10 of it to help clear Perry Township of the Draft. thawed a little on the north side of Main St. got a letter from O J Strahn of Willoughby. was very much gratified in consequence thereof.

Feb 15 Cloudy and warmer. hauled 3 loads of flooring one from Holloways & 2 from A Shinns sawmill. Bought 6 lb of butter cost 37 cts per lb. Mother Hise visited us to Day she is just from Ravenna.

Feb 16 Cloudy & warm. the snow is soft this morning. ground my axe in forenoon. in afternoon we cut and hauled up timber to hew for Tile Shed. cleared off and is very pleasant this afternoon. 8 years to Day since we moved onto the farm.

Feb 17 Cloudy & foggy. Geo Martin came out and helped me make a Stone trough to hold sugar watter. Father & Mother Goulbourn called and took Diner with. Margaret Nora & Mother Hise & myself went visiting Down to Joshua Davis this afternoon. had a very pleasant visit. got back at 8 O'clock. Roads are as fine as can be.

Feb 18 Cloudy with enough more snow to make the Sleds slip well in the Country. hauled 40 sacks of flour for Brainard from Amity Mills. Delivered them at Davis & Gees Grocery. I spent the Day in Town.

Feb 19 Cloudy with a little more snow this morning. as nice winter weather as can be. Wilkie & I went out to Zinny Whinerys 1 1/2 miles South of Damascus to look at a young mare he has for Sale but she is not Sound and of course I Did not buy her. Did even ask the price. Sleighing has about gone up. wrote a letter to Thomas Johnson not an original one but one I have by heart that a quaker is said to have sent to his watchmaker. we have a fresh cow to Day. Margaret visited at Jesse Hises.

Feb 20 Clear at sunrise. Drove early up town the first time she has been hitched up this winter. she performed all right. Bolted my stone trough together. made John W Thomas a Deed for the lot I sold to Oliver Thomas one year ago. he Paid me all I was Due up to May first 1865. gave me his note for the Ballance payment secured by mortgage. I left the old article with Kennett & Ambler. the good news of the evacuation of Charleston S.C. passed over the wires at 2 O'clock PM. it took place last tuesday. Bought 48 buckits cost 15 Dollars.

Feb 21 Clear with ice where water formed by yesterdays sun. brot our buckets home. hauled a little wood. trimmed some apple trees. hauled in a little Fodder. I spent most of the afternoon in Town. Deposited one hundred Dollars in Farmers Bank. the capture of Charleston is confirmed.

Feb 22 Cloudy windy & ground covered with ice where there was water sufficient to make it. Wilkie hauled a little coal to warm up our shop. we are oiling our harness.

Bought 18 1/2 lb of neats foot oil cost 22 cts per pound (407)

Feb 23 Clear & only middling warm. the snow melts very slow. we finished oiling all the harness (7 setts). toward evening I went Down to Sells Sawmill and from there to Sam Martins. they are cutting away but have not come to any of my logs yet.

Feb 24 Clear & cold ground froze hard this morning. repaired our Harness. was up Town in forenoon. quite warm and Pleasant. will soon Do to top sugar trees if the weather continues so.

Feb 25 Cloudy & colder ground froze hard. Wilkie brot a load of Flour for C.C. Brainard and 2 Hundred pounds for ourselves. Bought it of Brainard. I spent the forepart of the Day in Town. Bought 1/2 can of Oysters cost 75 cents. sawed at my harness all the afternoon. cold Rain falling most of the time. very Disagreeable out Doors. heard this evening that Charles Hoiles our old Friend from Illinois is up at the Phillips House (wish he was here to help eat our oysters).

Feb 26 Cloudy & Dull. ground soft this morning. hitched up "Old Mike" went up to Phillips House and brot Charles Hoiles out. spent an hour or two with us when he and Margaret & I went over and spent the Day with Father Goulbourn. Returned early as the Roads are heavy. spent the evening chatting about old times.

Feb 27 Cloudy & Dull. ground froze up this morning but not very sollid. went around with Charles until Train time (12 O'clock when he started East. I spent the Ballance of the Day in Town to little purpose. news came that peter Heitman was shot.

Feb 28 Cloudy with one inch of snow on th ground this morning. wilkinson brot 32 sacks of flour for Brainard. I repaired Harness.

Mar 1 Cloudy & warmer. snow all gone and mud plenty. Wilkie hauled cinder. I worked in shop making bellows for John Gordon. Cris Kineman settled up his board bill 63 Dollars and left. is now going to board at Pidgeons one month. he will be missed from here. he has made his home with us about 15 years.

Mar 2 Cloudy & wet. Rained most of the night and all Day. I worked at the Bellows until noon. spent the afternoon in town. roads very muddy.

Mar 3 Cloudy & wet. Wilkie & I cut and hauled in some wood and fodder. Rained considerable. roads very muddy. Put weight to our gate to pull it shut.

Mar 4 Cloudy cold and Disagreeable. nothing Doing to Day. is a general Holliday all over the US. Abram Lincoln is inaugurated for the second time. I had not my coat on all Day. I sat and read the whole Day. colder this evening is going to freeze to night. (Hannah went home).

Mar 5 Clear & cool. is thawing a little in the sun. Blacksmithed some. shod "Old Mike". ironed singletree etc etc. mended one of my gloves. Brother Jesse called out a little while but his boy (Harry) soon got tired and he had to go home with him. quite pleasant in the sun.

Mar 6 Clear & cool. ground froze hard this morning. we hauled our logs into the way ready for sawing. thaws at noon and is good sugar Day. tapped 48 sugar trees water runs well. found to my surprise that we had 42 more trees to tap. went to Town to get buckets but Did not succeed.

Mar 7 Cloudy & cold but the Sugar water still runs. we hauled in one & a half Barrels and stored it. rained some in afternoon. the 2 Walker Boys came on this evening ready to go to work am glad of it. Hannah returned she has been Down to Enon Valley.

Mar 8 Cloudy & raw this morning. the Boys cut & hauled wood to Boil Sugar. John & Elnathan Walker chopped this afternoon. Wilkie Boiled some sugar water. I went Down to John Campbells came home by Town and got the Commercial.

Mar 9 Cloudy & Dull. Wilkie and I helped John Grove moove. took 2 of our horses had 4 to one wagon. I rode his black Horse & Drove his cows. we got back in good time. Roads very muddy. some cooler and raining at sunsett.

Mar 10 Cloudy & cold with 2 inches of snow Down. Bought 2 Dozen buckets of Davis & Gee. gave them a check for 8 Dollars to Farmers Bank. threshed some of our oats. thaws a little in the sun but cold air.

Mar 11 Cloudy & cold all Day. Sawed and chopped wood. roads very bad. spent the afternoon in town. no war news to Day.

Mar 12 Cloudy & cold. folks all gone from home except Margaret Nora and myself. too cold out for comfort. Bill Bowman & Dewitt C Moore called a short time. I went Down to Samuel Martins Sawmill & marked my logs.

Mar 13 Cloudy & warmer. tapped 36 more sugar trees. 3 of us chopped wood. Wilkie attended the sugar camp. not going to freeze much to night. Poor sugar weather.

Mar 14 Cloudy & warm. chopping wood making molasses etc etc. fine weather for out of Doors work. makes me very tired but I must have the work Done.

Mar 15 Cloudy warm & very pleasant. 3 of us chopping wood. getting along very well. sugar water ran none to Day. Margaret Grandmother Hise & sis went over to Grandfather Goulbourns the latter stayed. roads are very bad.

Mar 16 Cloudy with some rain last night. went to split wood but rained so much we were forced to come home again. Done nothing to Day. rained all Day. I spent the afternoon

in town. bent a cane for Marius Robinson. I had bent it before but not to suit me. roads very muddy. is growing colder at 6 O'clock PM. thundered and lightnened to Day.

Mar 17 Cloudy & colder. wind blowing hard all night and as I write has commenced snowing fast. all hands went Down to Samuel Martins Sawmill & stuck up boards. cleared off and was very pleasant all Day. got our Diners at Martins.

Mar 18 Cloudy & very windy. wind blowed a gale in the night. tore Down some timber. we split wood to Day is hard work. Sold my poplar lumber for 30 Dollars per thousand feet Delivered in Salem.

Mar 19 Cloudy & cool. ground froze some last night. trimmed some more of my apple tree. commenced a letter for Dr J Goucher of Pittsburgh but was soon interupted by Wiley (a collored man) who wants to chop wood for me. by the time I showed him the wood I was too much fatigued to write. I brot home and sett out a beautiful Linden tree. was warm and pleasant all Day.

Mar 20 Cloudy and warm. wind blows enough to Dry the mud up very fast. the men (3 of them) are splitting wood. I helped saw our lumber at J Sells mill. roads are getting possible.

Mar 21 Cloudy & pleasant. ground is Drying very fast. I helped on the mill. the men split wood. George Hise and his Family arrived from Iowa at 5 O'clock PM. I Did not see them yet as I came home late and they are up at Brother Jesses. Wm Mercer called in late is going to stay all night.

Mar 22 Cloudy windy and rough weather. snowing from northwest. worked at the Sawmill all Day. stormed as hard as I ever Saw it from the west. snowed and blowed hard until about noon when it abated. found George & his wife here when I returned in the evening. they are looking very well. their Son has grown very much.

Mar 23 Cloudy & threatens rain. Geo and I went Down to the Sawmill and straitened up my boards. Wilkie hauled one load home. Rained considerable in afternoon. Wilkie took Geo & his family over to Mrs Gants. roads are bad but he put 2 colts (sunshine & Coaly) to the carriage and they got along without any trouble. I spent the most of the afternoon up town. got one of our axes ground.

Mar 24 Cloudy & stormy. the boys are chopping. I only showed them where to chop. repaired our red pump it now works complete. spent the afternoon in town. Paid Wm Pidgeon 9 Dollars I owed him for some time.

Mar 25 Cloudy and Dull with ground covered with Snow. 3 of us went Down to Martins mill and stuck up the Ballance of our boards. got Done early. I spent the ballance of the Day by the fire. Brother George was with us a part of the Day. got no paper to night and we are lonsome without the Daily news.

Mar 26 Cloudy & cold with ground partly covered with snow and occasionally more falling. we are having Rough weather now. several of our old hands are here to Day among them Peter Heitman who was reported killed by Bushwhack in Tennessee. I was glad to see him.

Mar 27 Clear & Pleasant. I freshened our Sugartrees water runs freely. 2 of the men chopped wood. one hauled boards. I got out stuff for 2 sett of Brick moulds. hired Peter Heitman to work on the Brickyard. news of a big fight before Petersburgh. Grant still persists in his refusal to be whipped. the Enemy got a slight advantage at first but paid Dearly for it. lost 3000 Killed & wounded and 3000 Prisoners our loss less than 800.

Mar 28 Cloudy & Dull. sugar water run all night. sett our rosebushes and some small trees. cleaned up the Door yard etc etc in forenoon. in afternoon boiled Down Sugar water. hired Wm Mercer to mould bricks am to give him 26 Dollars per month and 10 cents per thousand. Paid Cris Kineman 126 Dollars Ballance I owed him for work.

Mar 29 Cloudy but very pleasant. Boiled sugar water all Day got it Done about 9 O'clock PM. left it in the wood covered up. is so Dark can scarcely find the way to the House. George Hise was with us most of the afternoon.

Mar 30 Cloudy Dark and is Raining as I write at 1/2 past 2 O'clock AM. I want to go to Cleveland to Day and have to take the 5 O'clock train to get there in good time. left home in the pitch Darkness and got safe to the Depot in Due time. Started for Cleveland where arrived about 1/2 past 10 O'clock. took the Lakeshore for Willoughby where I arrived in time for Dinner. afte eating it I started on foot out to Penfields Tyle works a Distance of 3 miles to see for myself how Tyle were made. his arrangements are too costly for me. got back in good season. met O T St John on my return. took supper at the Hotel. went early to bed. (heavy rain here).

Mar 31 Cloudy but pleasant. spent the morning in walking about the village and after talking an hour or so I left for Cleveland where we arrived about 1/2 past 10 O'clock. I was forced to loaf around until one O'clock & 30 minutes when I again started for home where I arrived about 1/2 past 5 PM. found all well. (very Pleasant all Day).

Apr 1 Clear & very fine this morning. hauled some. I split out and hauled some fence Posts. spent a portion of the Day in Town. bought one barrel of flour cost 10 1/2 Dollars 2 bushels of Timothy seed cost 14 Dollars 31 1/2 lb of Bacon cost 5 67/100 Dollars 4 1/2 bushels of Potatoes but these I bought cheap enough 33 cents per bushel. Mary Hick is here.

Apr 2 Clear & pleasant all Day. we were at home all Day. had a good many callers 12 or 14 Different ones. Had a fine sociable season. Joseph Reader Died at 6 O'clock this morning with spotted fever. was sick but 56 hours the first case I ever knew in Salem. Despatch came that heavy fighting is going on before Richmond.

Apr 3 Clear & Beautiful. Peter Heitman commenced work this morning. lots of war news to Day. Richmond has gone up this time certain. Wm Mercer & I are fencing the Brick yard. Wilkie mooved Sister Phebe. I went with Benj Hilman to martins mill and measured out 496 feet of Boards for him. Joseph Reader buried to Day. sent a letter to J W Penfield ordering a tile machine Provided it can be got up in time. George Hise & his family returned from the Country.

Apr 4 Cloudy and windy. threatens Rain as I write at 1/2 past 6 O'clock AM. finished fencing the Brickyard. the Ballance are splitting wood. no Rain of any consequence.

Apr 5 Cloudy and Dull all Day. helped split wood. getting a lot of excellent wood. news from Army is still encouraging.

Apr 6 Cloudy with some rain last night. windy. this morning grass is growing fast. John Plowed the orchard is going to sow it in Oats. Bought 15 bushels of oats of Lydia Ellen Howel 70 cents per bushel. split wood are getting excellent wood but working hard for it. Rained considerable at 1/2 Past 5 O'clock.

Apr 7 Clear & cool. wrote a letter to John Baillie of NashvilleTenn concerning Brick he wants to get. some split wood and Others picked and hauled stone off the meadows. fine weather to work as can be.

Apr 8 Clear & cold. John Sowed our Oats in onehand. some split wood. I spent most of the Day in town. Settled with Robert Hole he owed and Paid me 18 21/100 Doll. I Paid J Bowman 72 Dollars for sawing my joice. Bought 35 bushels of potatoes of Adgate moore & AB Forker at 60 cents per bu.

Apr 9 Clear in morning but soon clouded up. spent the Day at Home. had lots of callers. Paid Jo Davis for hauling wood (40) Dollars. Rained at sundown.

Apr 10 Cloudy & wet having rained all night. is cold and very Disagreeable out of Doors. more good war news this morning (viz) that Gen R.E. Lee has surrendered his Army and all its equipment to Gen U S Grant. Great Day of Rejoicing in Salem. raised 300 Dollars to have a Display of fireworks. we all hands of us took holiday.

Apr 11 Cloudy & Dull. 5 of us went to Holloways Sawmill to stick up joice But rained at noon. we could not finish. Margaret & Geo Hise & wife have gone to Canfield visiting. going to stay all night. Cris & his wife are with us. Mary Hick is helping them fix up their House.

Apr 12 Cloudy & wet. Rained hard last night with thunder and lightning. is very wet this morning. I helped saw at Sells mill. the Boys cleared out the ice house and stuck up joice. Cris took one of our teams & went to New Waterford after some house hold goods. Margaret and her company returned from Canfield had rather an unpleasant trip

the roads are so bad. wind blowed all Day making it very unpleasant. tending Sawmill.

Apr 13 Clear & cloudy at intervals. tended Sawmill until noon. got all my stuff sawed (6,498 feet). the Boys finished sticking up joice at Holloways. sold 2 of my large Hams was fearful they would not keep through the warm weather. got 20 cents per lb for them.

Apr 14 Clear & pleasant. took a sod field of Samuel Street to put in corn on the shares. I am to Deliver him one half of all corn fodder & Pumpkins in the field. he is to haul his own share. John Commenced Plowing to Day. the Boys are Digging a large Ditch at the Brickyard. I worked but little to Day. am looking out for a chance to buy a good Horse.

Apr 15 Cloudy & cool this morning. easter storm is evidently brewing. To Day is Sad Day in Salem. telegraph reports the Death of President Lincoln. he was shot through the Head while attending Fords Theatre. the assassin made his escape. Secretary Seward had his throat cut at the same time but is not Dead yet. some hopes are entertained of his Recovery. Rained all the afternoon.

Apr 16 Cloudy cold and Disagreeable out of Doors. wind in northeast. attend a meeting of the Executive committee of the Western Anti Slavery Society the first one that has been held for 4 years and I presume the last one as we resolved our work as an Anti Slavery Society was Done and Disbanded the Society.

Apr 17 Clear with a stiff frost. hewed timber until noon. Dug at our Ditch in afternoon. John is plowing for Oats.

Apr 18 Cloudy & looks some like rain. Dug at our Ditch all Day. I piled up a few boards is all I could Do. am so stiff and sore can scarcely move. George Hise started for Oil city.

Apr 19 Clear & cool. all hands knocked off work at 11 O'clock to attend the funeral ceremonies of the Burial of our Lamented President Abraham Lincoln that took place at 12 O'clock all over the United States (Sad Day).

Apr 20 Cloudy and threatens rain. too wet to sow Oats. we however got in one small land but had to quit on account of the Rain. Pryed up our shop. stratened up our corn crib. stuck up boards etc etc. Done what we could to pay expenses But can scarcely Do it.

Apr 21 Cloudy & warm. tearing Down old walls at the Brickyard. to wet to Do much else. I commenced a model for a Tyle machine. cannot buy one and must try to make one.

Apr 22 Cloudy cold. 3 hands putting in Oats must have it in in some shape. Stodard Brown called to me a few minutes he lives at Hudson. stuck up the Ballance of our Lumber at Martins Mill. I worked at my Model. cold and raw all Day. will freeze hard to night should it clear off. Peter rode coaly Home Austin took Sunshine. is going to bring

his Buggy back with him.

Apr 23 Cloudy & Devilish cold for time of year. snowing fast at 9 O'clock with ground well covered. our plum trees are in full bloom and very full. the chance for fruit looks rather Billious. Cris and his wife called out a little while with her mother. snowed consideable through the Day but of course soon melted.

Apr 24 Clear with some frost this morning but not as much as might have been expected. must have been cloudy most of the night. wrote a pointed note to Arthur Hayden concerning some bacon bought of him. he returned 3 50/100 Doll of the money. I bought 148 1/2 lb of Bacon of John Kerns for which I Paid him 17 cents per lb (25.24cts) Done something toward a Tyle Machine. tore out some of our cellar on Dry street. are going to put a stone one in its Place. fine Day as can be.

Apr 25 Clear & warm. got up early and spaded some in garden. some are working on the Brickyard getting things ready.

Apr 26 Clear & warm. fine growing weather as can be. worked some on the yard repairing tubs. some are Sowing and Harrowing in our Oats. some Cuting off the Brick yard. got our Oats all in. checked out 50 Dollars. Bought a Horse gave 170 Dollars.

Apr 27 Clear & warm. John planted our early Potatoes. some hauled sand and others at work on the yard getting things ready to make Brick. a Mr Randall of Iowa called to see us is stopping over night with us. news of Booths capture by Telegraph. he was chased into a Barn on a Mr garretts farm near Port Royal. the Barn fired when he Ran out he was Shot and instantly Killed. thus has he met the fate so justly merited. P.S. later reports say he was shot in the Barn surrounded by fire. Refusing to Surrender he was Pluck to the Back bone. he had a broken leg and was forced to go on crutches. (a sergant Corbit shot him. Booths Burial Place is unknown save to two men who took his corpse away in a skift from which I infer he is sunk in the Potomac.

Apr 28 Cloudy. all hands on the yard to Day. Spent the forenoon in showing Mr Randall about town. he left on the 1/2 past 10 train. the machine Shop of Sharp Davis & Bonsall is in Ruins this morning having took fire at 12 O'clock last night. nothing saved (contents of the safe excepted) they were uninjured. los very heavy at a low estimate 50,000 Dollars. Rained most of the afternoon.

Apr 29 Cloudy & wet. hewed timber and piled manure. spent a part of the afternoon in town. cold and Disagreeable. a great many people in town to Day.

Apr 30 Clear & cool. considerable frost this morning. Margaret has gone out to Mrs Gants to Geor Hises wife who is very sick of mumps. I stopped at home all Day.

May 1 Cloudy & cold. very Disagreeable out of Doors. this morning Sharp Davis & Bonsall commenced to Rebuild their Shop. about 25 hands are engaged in removing the

Debris. our hands worked under the Shed on the Brickyard. was very cold all Day for time of year. Bought 70 lb of Bacon for 10 80/100 Doll.

May 2 Cloudy at 5 O'clock with a heavy frost. Ice formed on wash basin quite 1/4 thick. I fear what little prospect we had for fruit is all gone. Cloudy and cold all Day. some are Digging at John Hunts for Sand. Peter is hauling boards and the ballance of us repaired the tubs. got all ready to make brick as soon as the weather will Do. Alfred Hiltebiddle commenced this morning.

May 3 Clear & cold. considerable frost again this morning. sold 619 feet of Boards for 18 57/100 Doll. Wm Stanley brot the 4 year old Horse I bought of him for 170 Dollars. he is a very good one.

May 4 Clear & some warmer. commenced moulding brick to Day both sett of Hands. got along very well. nothing special to record.

May 5 Cloudy but good weather for making brick. made 8000 to Day and got 9000 up and covered. looks like rain at sundown. Geo Hise took Diner with us.

May 6 Cloudy & wet. hewed some timber hauled wood lumber etc. some tore out Old wall at the Brick yard. rained considerable in forenoon. at 1 O'clock is raining very hard and I am noting it Down as I can Do nothing else. Paid Uncle Silas 5 Dollars. did not go to Town to Day.

May 7 Clear & cool but is a pleasant Day. ground is Drying off fast. spent the Day at home until 5 O'clock when I walked up to see the Ruins of the "Buckeye Foundry". they are progressing with the cleaning up. will soon commence rebuilding.

May 8 Clear and very pleasant this morning. all hands making Brick got 8000 made by 1/2 past 12 O'clock. I hauled 2 loads of Sand. cloudy at sundown.

May 9 Cloudy & wet. can make not brick to Day but Done lots of Schores of one sort and another. Dull all Day.

May 10 Cloudy. the hands made 5000 brick when it commenced raining and rained all Day and part of that time very hard. Peter & I made a pump. ground is now so wet that we cannot plant corn for at least one week.

May 11 Cloudy and wet. rained most of the night. cold and very Disagreeable. I worked all Day on a model for a Tyle machine. the Boys cleared out the shed at the yard. rained considerable through the Day and remained cold. had cold feet all Day. at sunsett looks like clearing off. if it should Do so good bye all fruit.

May 12 Clear and cold. heavy frost. looks as if the leaves on the trees were frozen. no fruit this year Judging from appearances this morning. the Boys worked at clearing up

the Brick shed. I checked out 25 Dollars.

May 13 Cloudy & Dull. got up early. took the Cars for Cleveland where I arrived at 10 O'clock. walked out the Rockport Plank Road to Wm Mailes Tyle works a Distance of 6 miles. took a survey of things. returned in time to take the 1 O'clock & 30 minutes train for home. I lost no time I assure you. arrived all right at 1/2 past 5 PM. no rain to Day.

May 14 Cloudy & Dull. put our pump logs together and put them in the well to prevent them sun cracking. Done but little else. was pleasant all Day.

May 15 Cloudy at sunrise but soon cleared off and is good brick weather as can be. getting along fine at that business. J F Dickinson took Diner with us. he is Seventy years Old to Day and it is also the anniversary of his arrival of his arrival in Salem 37 years since. official account of Jeff Daviss Capture. he had on one of his wifes Dresses. he must have felt very Different from when he Did 4 years since when from Montgomery (the then Rebel Capital) he sent he following insult to the lamented Abram Lincoln (viz) "with cannon shot and petard we tender Abe our Beauregard". (Damn him may he and allhis abettors hang on the Sour apple tree.

May 16 Clear & warm. got up early and spaded some garden but the ground is yet too wet. Planted some of our corn. all seems to be going right with us now.

May 17 Clear & warm. helped plant corn all Day. Rained a little about 4 O'clock. not near Done yet.

May 18 Cloudy & wet. sett brick in forenoon. took in brick in afternoon. planted no corn to Day too wet.

May 19 Cloudy & Dull. rained some last night. planting at our corn must have it in some way. went on Day. sett lots of Brick. Did not get our corn all in yet. Rained too much.

May 20 Cloudy & wet. finished planting one field of corn. sett some brick. spent most of the Day in Town. Jacob Heise wife and family arrived last evening. called in at Richard Garigues to see them. took supper with them at Brother Jesses. was offered 2 Hundred Dollars for Jack our new Horse. not enough must have 25 more if I sell him now.

May 21 Cloudy & wet. rained hard this morning about Daylight. ground is too wet to Do anything. Mary Anne Hise and family are with us to Day. I spent most of the Day at work on a new contrivance for churning. Do not know that it will be worth anything. Norman Gariguez & wife took Supper with us.

May 22 Clear but wet. one sett of hands making brick. the other commenced at noon. made 6000 to Day. ground dried fast. hauled Rails from Jesse Ducks and Sand from Road. I turned the shaft & wrists for my churn.

May 23 Clear & pleasant all Day. cool wind. fear a frost to night if the air remains very cool. I spent most of the Day in Town. got Article of agreement between myself and Frances Miner to whom I sold two Town lots Described as No 39 & 40 Straughans Addition but she came up town too late to Draw her money and we appointed One O'clock on tomorrow as the time to meet at Samuel Hardmans to finish it up.

May 24 Clear & cool but no frost. finished planting our corn. Signed the Article for Sale of lots No 39 & 40. recceived one Hundred Dollars of the money. Paid John Walker 60 of it. Rained about 5 O'clock PM.

May 25 Cloudy but no Rain last night. spaded some in garden. cleared up and Plowed our potatoe Patch at the Brick yard. let Howel Bishop have it to plant on the halves. he is to find seed and give me one half of all he raises on it.

May 26 Cloudy & cool. John hauled 2 loads of sand and Plowed our Potatoe patch here at home. I Done but precious little of anything to Day. wrote a letter to O J St John of Willoughby.

May 27 Clear & cool. planted our potatoes. got 46000 Brick made this week. are getting along swimmingly. thus for making brick have now 104000 the most I have ever had made by this time in the Season.

May 28 Clear & cool. attend meeting at John C Whinneys office. Marius R Robinson Delivered a very good Discourse. in afternoon I went out to the Cemetery. a great many visitors there.

May 29 Cloudy & Dull. John Hauled lumber. the Brickmakers are going in strong. gettting along swimmingly. clear & fine at sundown.

May 30 Clear and pleasant. John Hauled board and Sand. I assisted him some and bought Iron for Tyle machine.

May 31 Clear & warm. very good weather for brick makers. John is working on the Roads to Day. I sett brick all Day.

Jun 1 Clear & warm. George Martin & I framed at our Tyle shed. getting along well on the brick yard. to Day is kept as a Day of fasting by People generally but we are all too busy to Indulge. got a letter from O J St John.

Jun 2 Clear & very warm. framed at our shed until noon. in afternoon took in brick. Rained a little about 4 O'clock PM. bought 200 lb of flour cost 9 Dollars.

Jun 3 Clear & warm all Day. signs of Rain has vanished. worked some at my Tyle machine & took in some brick. bought a kntty sugartree stick for a cane growed in Canada some 30 years since I first saw it. have been trying to get it for the last 3 years.

got a full weeks work of brick 48000. have made 94000 within the last 2 weeks the 2nd one we ever had made.

Jun 4 Clear & warm. got up at break of Day and took in brick until about 6 O'clock. got breakfast and made 2 pair of brick molds. am now some tired but must get it Down before quitting.

Jun 5 Clear & pleasant. I sett brick in forenoon. James McCurdy helped me. as it looked some like Rain we took in brick in afternoon. had a fine shower about sunsett.

Jun 6 Clear & warm this morning. one sett of hands made 2000 brick in forenoon. the ballance of the Day all hands sett brick got along fast. clouded & threatened Rain but none came. Margaret started to Pittsburgh at noon had Chareles Grizzell for company was glad of it.

Jun 7 Clear & warm. all hands at the Brick setting & casing. want to get it on fire as soon as possible. threatened rain this afternoon but it was but a threat.

Jun 8 Clear & warm. no prospect of rain this morning. got our kiln all set up and considerable of it cased. got along first Rate. Margaret returned at 1/2 past 5 PM. had a short but Pleasant visit. Lizzie & the Doctor are both well and enjoying life hugely.

Jun 9 Cloudy at sunrise. got up early sharpened our cultivator teeth. John is going into the corn and Potatoes to fight the green squirles that are getting pretty bad. finished casing our Kiln and fired it about 6 O'clock PM.

Jun 10 Cloudy and wet. fine Rain about 3 O'clock AM. I attended the Kiln last night. the Boys all worked about the yard. sett all the Brick we have made.

Jun 11 Clear & very warm all Day. Peter and I attended Kiln. it is getting very hot.

Jun 12 Cloudy and warm. Kiln is getting along well. weather very warm. all hands making brick.

Jun 13 Clear & warm. slept last night. Nathan Chestnutt and John Barkers attended the Kiln. they worked twice as hard as they need have Done. the consequence was they were exhausted but they each one Done their work on the yard.

Jun 14 Clear with good weather for making brick. Kiln is almost burned and I am as near give out. it is so hot that I can scarcely endure it. all hands are making their share of Brick. threatens rain and Did rain early in the evening.

Jun 15 Clear & cloudy at intervals. had considerable rain last night. Peter Heitman and I attended the Kiln last night and finished it this morning. got a good burn we think. yard is too wet to lay brick on. am not sorry as all hands want a little rest. I have not had my

clothes off for a week but at noon as I write I feel considerable brighter. (Margaret having washed and wiped me and I having taken a good sleep). I am now recording events as best I can from memory having been too busy while our Kiln was on fire to write or read anything. John Walker (our Farmer has gone to get married this evening.

Jun 16 Clear and cool. vegetation looks healthy this morning. all hands are again making brick. in afternoon went Down to Benj Hawleys farm and brot up a colt with which we want to temper clay. Rained hard and I got good and wet.

Jun 17 Cloudy & wet. made no brick to Day. might as well have Done it. cleared off and was very pleasant all Day. sett brick & hauled Sand.

Jun 18 Clear & warm. took off some of the tight course of the Kiln and sett some brick. very warm to Day. J F Dickinson called and took Diner with us. spent the afternoon very agreeable. threatened rain but none fell.

Jun 19 Cloudy with some rain last night. all hands are making brick this morning. all took in an sett to Day except what was moulded to Day. took the casing off of one end of our Kiln and tore Down the abutment ready to haul out. want to commence in the morning. no Rain to Day. John Jones came on to help haul brick.

Jun 20 Clear & cool. last night was a very pleasant night to sleep. opened our Kiln of brick it is excellent. hauled some boards for Nathan Chestnut. no prospect of Rain to Day.

Jun 21 Clear & warm. looks again favorable for brick making. am glad of it as I am in a hurry. wrote a short letter to Emma Walker. hauled brick. heavy rains went around both north & South. we got a fine shower about 8 O'clock PM.

Jun 22 Clear & cool. fine Day to make brick. all goes well on the yard. getting along as well as I could ask. little Nora is sick at 6 O'clock PM but as I write she is sleeping and seems better.

Jun 23 Clear & warm all Day. the hands made 10000 Brick to Day. we are getting along most swimmingly. we are now hauling Down to the Buckeye Foundry. will have about 250,000 to haul them.

Jun 24 Clear & warm. fine weather for corn to grow as can be. made 48000 brick this week and got most of them under the shed and sett. am still getting along first rate.

Jun 25 Clear & cool. got up early . went up the yard and sett brick until breakfast time. attended the Unitarian Church. heard a very good sermon. spent the afternoon at Joel McMillens in company with several Friends. heavy Rainswent around north. we covered all our Brick.

Jun 26 Cloudy & wet with 3 inches of Rain last night. vegetation is now all right for the Sumer. hauled Brick with 2 teams to Day. put on a Brick shed. sett some brick etc etc. cool all the afternoon and Rain is now over. Bough 7 yards of check for shirts.

Jun 27 Clear & cool. molded 8000 Brick by 1/2 past 11 O'clock. too fast but the Boys will Do it. took in and sett all the brick that was on the yard (26000). Mother Hise visited took Supper with us.

Jun 28 Clear & cool. great nights to sleep. got up early and hauled a load of Sand before breakfast. Mrs Metzger Paid me 2 hundred Dollars on lots sold her. sett some brick. threatened rain but none fell.

Jun 29 Clear & warm. Sold Joel McMillen some stuff for gates. sett Brick. got our Days molding all up and covered. Rained hard about 6 O'clock PM. wind blew hard from southwest. had all our brick up and covered so that few are spoiled.

Jun 30 Cloudy & Dull. sett some brick and cased some at the kiln. several slight showers in forenoon. Paid Abraham Shinn 19 Dollars for Sawing.

Jul 1 Cloudy and some fog. all hands got up very early this morning. want to get Done early as it is Saturday. got their Days work out at 11 O'clock. I sett brick in forenoon got in 8000. got nearly all our brick up before the Rain at 5 O'clock PM. weather Rather Ketchy for brick making.

Jul 2 Clear at sunrise but looks very wet. clouded up but no Rain to Day. we visited at Mr Gordons had a very pleasant time. clear at sunsett.

Jul 3 Clear & cool. all hands got up early this morning. if they Do not succeed it will not be for want of a good start. Both sett of hands Done at 11 O'clock. we got them all up and covered. I sett brick most of the Day. Margaret and the children are visiting at Father Goulbourns. 26 years ago this evening we were married. it rained then and is cloudy in the west now.

Jul 4 Cloudy and pleasant all Day. the Boys are scattered to Day seein the fourth. I sett brick and took care of what was on the yard. Margaret & I walked up town in the evening. very Pleasant but threatens Rain. Boys are all back at 6 O'clock.

Jul 5 Cloudy & wet with considerable rain and a good Deal of wind about 4 O'clock this morning. molded in afternoon. took & sett some. bought 2 new scythes. John cut some of our grass. Mrs Sackett and her Daughter & Rachel Hise are with us to night.

Jul 6 Clear and warm. made 8000 brick to Day. got in what grass we had cut. sett lots of Brick. got our Days work all up and covered.

Jul 7 Clear & warm. the boys got 8000 brick made by noon. cloudy and threatens rain

at one O'clock. got all our brick up and covered just in time to escape the Rain. had a fine shower about 5 O'clock PM. conspirators are hanged.

Jul 8 Clear and warm. took & sett some brick. got in a good lot. molded 8000. heavy rain about 5 O'clock PM. we got some of our Brick up but a good many got wet.

Jul 9 Cloudy & Dull. shod one of our horses. took little Nora over to the woods to get berries. got as many as she wanted. put up what brick was Down. went and brot Hannah home from her brothers. Pleasant evening to ride.

Jul 10 Cloudy & Dull. all hands turned in and sett our brick. must burn them forthwith. rained but little to Day but is very Dull. harvest weather. (ccol enough to work in coat).

Jul 11 Cloudy an wet. considerable rain last night. cased our kiln and got it nearly ready to fire. cleared off and is very pleasant. Brother Jacob whom I have not Saw for 22 years arrived this afternoon. age is making her mark on him (he is 58 years old). we talked until 11 O'clock which is longer than I am out of bed generally.

Jul 12 Cleared and very pleasant. both sett of hands are molding again. this morning I finished smearing the Kiln and sett fire to it at sundown. cool.

Jul 13 Cloudy & cold. was up all night with the Kiln. was very cold with wind in the north west all night. this morning is still cloudy & cool. made 8000 Brick. took Supper at Jesses with Brother Jacob his wife & Family. Calvin Moore while unloading a load of Barley fell to the Barn floor and is badly hurt.

Jul 14 Clear & cool. have fire in the Dining room. Calvin Moore is Dead this morning. his loss will be felt and Deplored by community generally. our Kiln is Doing well.

Jul 15 Clear and fine but soon clouded up. Kiln is Doing well. made a Days work of brick.

Jul 16 Cloudy & wet. had a heavy rain about 3 O'clock this morning. rained strait Down and Done us no harm on the Brick yard. Calvin Moore is burried to Day. I should have loved much to have attended the Funeral but could not leave the Kiln. we got it a little too warm in one place and the consequence was the Casing fell off but with plenty of help that was at hand we soon Repaired the breach. shut up the Kiln and came home. it was about 11 O'clock PM when we got through.

Jul 17 Clear & cool. got up early went up to the Kiln found all Safe. laid Down along side and slept until 6 O'clock. spent the Day walking around with Brother Jacob. made no Brick to Day. got one of our meadows cut.

Jul 18 Clear & cool. am going with Brother Jacob to Pittsburgh just to look around & see our old Friends. arrived Safe.

Jul 19 Cloudy & Dull. Rained all Day at Pittsburgh and after coming home found it Done so here.

Jul 20 Cloudy but no Rain to Day. we arrived safe at home about 6 O'clock PM found all well. our visit was not as satisfactory as I could have wished. having one wet Day prevented us from going about as we intended. Jacob found but few of his Old friends they having all retired from business.

Jul 21 Clear and warm. all hands in the hayfield. want if possible to get it in. we are having a very wet harvest. I turned in at noon and helped what I could. we got 5 large loads in and the Ballance up in cock when it commenced raining. we were forced to quit.

Jul 22 Cloudy & wet. can Do nothing to Day. Put on shed. tore Down abutment. righted things around the Brickyard.

Jul 23 Cloudy and Pleasant. attended church to Day. Brother Jacob accompanied me. righted up my wheat shocks some were blown Down.

Jul 24 Cloudy & Dull. made 8000 Brick. hauled out a few out of our 2nd Kiln. not a good a burn as I would like. got our wheat in this afternoon. sold Wm H French 1200 feet of Dry boards for 36 Dollars.

Jul 25 Cloudy & Dull this morning. we are hauling in what hay is Dry enough. only one sett of hands moulding to Day. some are unwell. I sett some brick and Done miner schores. hauled in hay in afternoon. wind blew hard but no rain.

Jul 26 Clear & cool. Jacob his wife & Margaret & Mother Hise started to Ravenna at 5 1/2 O'clock. I went to the Station and seen them off. they took little Nora with them. this afternoon heard they all arrived Safe. hauled out some brick.

Jul 27 Cloudy & wet. rained a hard shower about 3 O'clock AM. sett Brick. cloudy all Day. Sold Benj Hilman 142 feet of Board.

Jul 28 Cloudy & wet. Rained a little at 5 O'clock AM. only one sett of hands moulded to Day. at 6 O'clock we had the hardest rain of the season. wind blowed hard from the west. cut our Brick badly.

Jul 29 Cloudy & Dull. made no brick to Day. all hands idle. hauled out a few and sold some. Margaret & her friends got home at noon. had a safe & Pleasant trip. I was very glad to see them as I soon get tired of living alone.

Jul 30 Clear & warm with heavy Dew. made Nora a wash Stand and walked about the country with Brother Jacob. stired out my hay and got Dry.

Jul 31 Clear & Pleasant all Day. sett some brick. got in the last of our hay. Peter hauled some brick. we got 8000 molded and most of them hacked up.

Aug 1 Clear & fine this morning. made brick sett & hauled some. Rained at 7 O'clock PM. John Hise arrived to Day.

Aug 2 Cloudy & warm. helped haul Brick. weather very warm. Nathan chestnut gave out he worked too hard.

Aug 3 Cloudy and warm. hauled & sett Brick. Paid Jo Walker 23 Doll for harvesting.

Aug 4 Clear & warm. sett brick. both sett of hands making Brick. rained about 8 O'clock. we got most of our brick up.

Aug 5 Cloudy & Foggy but no rain to Day. unwell but sett & helped load a few Brick. collected money but Paid none out.

Aug 6 Cloudy with a fine rain about 5 O'clock this morning. brick were mostly covered. attended church and in the afternoon Jacob & I strolled around the woods. got very tired of Doing nothing to Day.

Aug 7 Cloudy and coolish. all hands are on the yard this morning but it Doubtful if they get to work all Day. it looks so much like Rain. got out a full Days work. hauled Oats in afternoon. (Flo Stafford arrived).

Aug 8 Cloudy but very fine Drying weather. hauled in the Ballance of our Oats. getting along well on the Brick yard.

Aug 9 Clear & beautiful weather as can be. sett brick all Day. all goes well with us now on the yard. will soon be Done.

Aug 10 Cloudy and wet. commenced Raining at Daylight. we had to go and cover brick. they were not injured as it rained moderate. sett brick got along well. some threshed Oats.

Aug 11 Cloudy & cool all Day but we made lots of brick. John & I sett brick got along well.

Aug 12 Cloudy and cool. made 8000 Brick. sett some hauled etc etc. Mother Hise is 78 years old to Day.

Aug 13 Clear & Pleasant. made Nora a nice walnut table. repaired my wagon & Done various things in the way of work. can put in my time much more Satisfactoraly in that way than any other. Margaret attended meeting I Declined. toward evening I strolled around. covered my Brick and got home by Dark. Sister Elizabeth is here from Ravenna.

Aug 14 Cloudy and looks like Raining. made 8000 Brick. I sett brick. cleared off without Rain.

Aug 15 Clear & fine. made 8000 Brick. John is away to Day and I Done but little.

Aug 16 Clear & fine. made 8000 Brick to Day the last we shall make this Summer. John is taking up plank on the old Plank Road. Austin & Sam is helping him. this afternoon we have a supper for mother Hise. she is 78 years old to Day. 64 persons took Supper among them were 29 grandchildren, 2 great grand children. Had a very pleasant time.

Aug 17 Clear & warm. all hands sett Brick. are now in a hurry to get Done. Nathan Chestnut is making Brick on our yard. he has rented it.

Aug 18 Clear & warm. sett Brick and cased at the Kiln. some hauled brick & some hauled wood.

Aug 19 Clear & very warm. finished setting what brick we have made but will fill the shed with some of Nathans and make him as many. we all took Supper with Joel & Sarah. had a pleasant visit.

Aug 20 Clear & warm. got up early and strolled around the farm. Miss Hannah Kole this morning she has left for good. she has been working for us the last 40 weeks. we very much Regret her leaving but she has poor health and wants to rest awhile and we cannot blame her as she has worked hard this Sumer. we all visited at Father Goulbourns this afternoon. had a Pleasant visit. Jacob & I walked over and back again.

Aug 21 Clear & warm. Von Amburgs great Menagerie is here to Day. Nothing Doing on the yard in consequence. I went to see the Giraffe it is a good specimin. rained very hard towards night at about 6 O'clock PM. we had a very heavy Rain.

Aug 22 Cloudy & wet. rained all Day. Done nothing. Paid my beef bill at Casttlebury 52 Dollars. spent the Day in Town.

Aug 23 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up. was cold all Day. 4 of us worked at the Kiln casing it.

Aug 24 Clear & cool. all hands worked at the Kiln. are in a Big hurry to get it Done. have a bad cold. got a letter from Dave Woodruff the first I have had from him since the war broke out.

Aug 25 Clear & warm all Day. got our Kiln cased smeared. we have a large Kiln 192000.

Aug 26 Clear & warm. finished smearing our Kiln and got it on fire about 5 O'clock PM.

Aug 27 Clear & pleasant. settled and Paid Samuel Hendricks off. must now get rid of my hands as fast as Possible. attending the Kiln myself.

Aug 28 Clear at sunrise but is a little hazy in the west. Kiln is Doing well. Peter is hauling manure.

Aug 29 Clear and cloudy at intervals but no rain. sold my iron axletree wagon to John Stanley for 65 Doll. Geo Brough Died.

Aug 30 Clear & very warm. Kiln Done well to Day but we are all nearly played out.

Aug 31 Clear & Pleasant. our Kiln is still Doing well. we are gettting an excellent burn.

Sep 1 Cloudy at Sunrise. commenced Raining about 10 O'clock and remained wet all Day. we shut our Kiln up. would have fired some of the arches once or twice more but our wood got so wet it was of no use. Rained very hard in afternoon.

Sep 2 Cloudy & wet. Rained considerable in the night. John Hise is here now. Done nothing to Day. Senator Sherman (Brother to the General) Spoke here on the Politics of the Day.

Sep 3 Cloudy & very warm. made a little wagon for Fred Smiths Boy & took it to them. Geo Johnson of Pittsburg is here. came for Florrine Stafford who is here on a visit. lots of visitors to Day. Rained some.

Sep 4 Clear & warm. got up early and went up to town. bought beef. settled with & Paid John Walker 40 Dollars can now Do without him. I helped haul brick to Day as John Jones did not. Florrine Stafford and her intended (Geo Johnson started for home at 6 O'clock PM. weather very warm.

Sep 5 Clear at sunrise. got up early and went up town & bought 2.21 cents worth of beef. hauled brick. 3 of the hands undertook to make brick but it rained so much they were forced to quit. very wet all the afternoon and evening.

Sep 6 Cloudy & Dull all Day. threshed 6 bushels of wheat and hauled brick. in afternoon had both teams. opened our new Kiln but it yet too hot.

Sep 7 Clear & cool with some fogg about sunrise. hauled brick with both teams. threatened Rain.

Sep 8 Cloudy & wet. Rained very hard last night. threshed some oats. hauled a few Brick in afternoon. Bought one bushel of Peaches cost 2 Dollars and fifty cents.

Sep 9 Cloudy & wet. Raining at 7 O'clock but cleared off so that the Boys made 4000

Brick. I collected some money and Done some schores about the Tyle works.

Sep 10 Clear and cloudy at intervals but no rain. put up what brick the boys made yesterday.

Sep 11 Clear & warm. got up early and bought beef. wrote some in a letter to Dave Woodruff. rained in afternoon or about noon. we made a bridge and Road to our Tyle Kiln. graded some in afternoon.

Sep 12 Clear & warm. Mother Hise went to Ravenna. wait is going to Chicago. peter is Plowing this afternoon for wheat. I am 52 years old to Day. wrote a letter to Dave Woodruff of Texas.

Sep 13 Clear & warm. finished moulding brick to Day some that we had Borrowed of Nathan Chestnut. is very warm at noon.

Sep 14 Clear & Pleasant. finished making brick and commenced our Tyle works. setting Posts grading etc etc. Pete is plowing for wheat. the ground is still wet.

Sep 15 Clear and warm. hauled some brick and worked some at our Tyle works. got ready to sow our wheat but a heavy rain came up and has made the ground so wet we can Do nothing with it.

Sep 16 Cloudy & Dull. cleared off and is vey fine all Day. finished our Brick shed and graded some at our Tyle works.

Sep 17 Clear & cool. Jacob & I took a walk out to Henry Cooks. from there to General Blackburns old Farm to see the springs. both are excellent ones. got home about noon. clouded up toward night.

Sep 18 Cloudy & wet. rained all night. can Do but little to Day. fixed up the shop & shod our Horses. settled with & Paid S W Chaney 145 62/100 Doll. Fred Sloane started for his wife walked to Wellsville. cloudy and cool all Day.

Sep 19 Cloudy cool. Bought 260 cents worth of beef. cleared off and is very pleasant all Day. hauled Brick and graded at our Tyle Kiln ground. got along very well. Jacob Forker got hurt in his well.

Sep 20 Clear & Pleasant. very heavy Dew. cut up corn and hauled Brick.

Sep 21 Clear & fine. sowed our wheat. cut some corn and hauled some brick.

Sep 22 Clear and Pleasant all Day. cut at the corn and hauled brick. Jacob went to New Lisbon with Richard Garrigues. John Stanley (an old Friend) called to see him but he was absent.

Sep 23 Clear & Pleasant. tore Down our old Stable in Town and hauled 4 loads of fine clay. I went up on the Top of the Stack at the Buckeye Machine shop. it is now 100 feet high.

Sep 24 Clear & warm. Put in a good part of the Day working at my Tyle machine and covered a canehead for Brother Jacobs cane (a hand holding a stick). lots of company to Day so much I will not enumerate them. Rained a good shower at 4 O'clock PM.

Sep 25 Cloudy and wet this morning But cleared off and is pleasant weather. hauled some brick. graded some but the ground is so wet we had to quit. Jacob and I went out to Albany and brot our Buggy home that John & Margaret Jones were using last Sunday and one of the tires came off. on our way Back we called at Mr Gordons. spent some time with him. took Diner of course. looked around over his farm some and returned home soon after Diner.

Sep 26 Clear and cool. Jacob George & myself visited at John Stanley Jr one mile north of Damascus. he is an Old Friend one of the earliest of Salems Business men who has now retired to private life. he gave Direction to the Destiny or at least to the business life of some of us. he owned and had sett up the first Steam Engine ever in Salem made by Mohlon Rogers of Pittsburgh. it is now out use and superceeded by Legions.

Sep 27 Clear & cool but very fine weather. cut up the Ballance of our corn and made some fine Brick. I offbore them.

Sep 28 Clear & cool but no frost. finished making our fine Brick. Jacob & Geo went out to Jo Saxons this afternoon.

Sep 29 Clear & Pleasant as can be. graded at our Tyle Kiln. got enough Done to commence Building on. Peter and John Hauled Brick.

Sep 30 Cloudy. got up early went up and covered our fine Brick as it looked like Raining. bought beef and came home in good season. Rained some in forenoon but in afternoon is very pleasant. laid foundation for tyle Kiln.

Oct 1 Clear & cool. went visitng to Jo Saxons. got home in good time found all comfortable. in evening wrote Down for Brother Jacob the Quakers Epistle to his watchmaker. enclosed two news paper articles to send to John Stanley Jr of Damascus.

Oct 2 Cloudy & cold. worked all Day Building our Tyle Kiln. got along very well. J F Dickinson Returned from Pittsburgh where he went on visit on the first of last July and has been there sick ever since.

Oct 3 Cloudy & cool. worked at our Tyle Kiln. Jacob Edwin and Wilkie all Started for Down the River at noon. went by way of Pittsburgh. I parted with Jacob very

Reluctantly. he had been absent so long (23 years). I wanted to have him stay longer but he could not.

Oct 4 Cloudy wet and cool. we worked out all Day but it was very Disagreeable. got a letter from Dave Woodruff. he is all right.

Oct 5 Cloudy & wet. Rained all night but not hard. worked at our Tyle Kiln. got the shed up and some more of the Brick work. got a letter from Jacob Hise. he left Pittsburgh last evening for Cincinnati.

Oct 6 Clear & cool. pleasant all Day. got along well. Building our Tyle Kiln. nothing going on that is worth recording.

Oct 7 Clear & cloudy at intervals but no Rain. worked on our Tyle Kiln getting along well. Sloane got back to Day without his wife She having married another Man.

Oct 8 Clear & Pleasant all Day. 1/2 soled my Boots and strolled about good part of the Ballance of the Day. John Clemens and Mr Ellis called to see me but I was absent. Sloane Deposited 115 Dollars with me for safe Keeping.

Oct 9 Clear with very heavy Dew. got up early went up town to look up some of our jobs before breakfast. was in hopes we could get to haul pumpkins to Day. but we must haul brick.

Oct 10 Clear & as Pleasant as can be. all went well with us to Day. got along well with our work. Abraham Greenawalt Paid me 25 Dollars on a note I hold against him (credited on it). Paid Joshua Hilliard 15 Dollars for timber got of him last winter. Alfred Wrights wife Died at 2 O'clock PM. to Day is election Day and no frost yet which is remarkable.

Oct 11 Clear & most Delightful weather. Peter Dug some of our Potatoes. hauled brick etc. the rest of worked on the Tyle Kiln. takes a sight of work but it must come out. George Hise & wife went to Canfield to visit.

Oct 12 Cloudy & cool. worked all Day on our Tyle Kiln. Peter Dug our Potatoes. cleared off toward night and is very pleasant. Alfred Wrights wife Buried to Day. Bought Pidgeons old casing gave him ten Dollars for it. sold some of it to nathan chestnut. Ike Taylor is with us to night.

Oct 13 Clear & cold. heavy frost this morning the first we have had this fall. worked all Day at the Tyle Kiln. are putting it through as fast as possible but it is a Big job. little nora is complaining.

Oct 14 Cloudy and warmer. Done good service on the Kiln to Day. looks like rain. Paid Maggie Irons 12 Dollars & Bill Bowman 7 Dollars. little Nora still unwell.

Oct 15 Cloudy & wet. cold rain from the north. is Disagreeable being out of Doors. little Nora is so unwell spent the whole Day in the House. called in Doc Rush toward evening who pronounced her complaint that of infantile Remitting Fever a complaint quite Prevallent among children at this time.

Oct 16 Cloudy but fine fall weather. commenced husking our corn. want to get that in at once. I hauled some boards Down to the Buckeye. lent them 400 feet of Oak flooring. hauled a fine casing brick oven from pidgeons. Nora is no better is very sick.

Oct 17 Cloudy but very pleasant. husking corn. I hauled brick & one load of corn but was then forced to stay with little Nora as she is yet very sick.

Oct 18 Cloudy & wet. commenced Raining sometime in the night. Nora appears to be better this morning. rested well most of the night. Boys thresh wheat. I spent Part of the Day in town.

Oct 19 Cloudy & Dull. Nora still improves. the Boys thresh. I shod a Horse and cover a cane head. go to town in afternoon.

Oct 20 Clear & cool. I hauled Brick in forenoon. in afternoon hauled in corn. the Boys husked. Nora is still getting well. Paid John Whinery off 101 30/100 Doll all I owed him.

Oct 21 Clear & cool. Bought 210 cents worth of beef. John Jones & I hauled Brick all Day. the Ballance got in corn. Paid Geo Foster 20 Dollars.

Oct 22 Clear & cool. heavy Frost this morning. Margaret Nora & I visited Father Goulbourns. got home at 3 O'clock. I went Down to Cousin E Howels & repaired her pump. came home before Dark.

Oct 23 Cloudy & Pleasant. are at work at our Tyle Kiln again this week. want to finish it now as soon as possible. Doc Rush sent out & got our Black Mare to Drive to Day. will buy her if she suits him.

Oct 24 Clear & frosty. ground froze where it is wet. worked at out Tyle Kiln to Day. got along well. warm and Plasant in the sunshine.

Oct 25 Clear & Pleasant. not so cold as yesterday. got a good Days work on the Kiln.

Oct 26 Cloudy & Dull. all hands at work on the Tyle Kiln. Rained considerable but we still worked on. got one wall high enough. George Saxon Josephs youngest son Died of Typhoid Fever.

Oct 27 Cloudy & wet. Bought 19 lb of Steak of Castlebury. threshed the Ballance of our wheat. had 40 Bushels all told. I Done but little myself.

Oct 28 Cloudy cold & wet. Margaret & I attended the Funeral of George Saxon. came home at noon. very Disagreeable out Doors all Day.

Oct 29 Cloudy & cool. spent the most of the Day at home. Garwood came out to see about some Brick. he & I went to Town together. I came home by Samuel Streets.

Oct 30 Cloudy & cold. ground froze hard but we worked on our Tyle Kiln. got along well. Geo Hise and wife are Back from canfield. warmer this afternoon.

Oct 31 Cloudy but pleasant fall weather. heard this morning that Simeon Jennings is Dead. he was the Richest man in this section of Ohio if not in the State. got our Tyle Kiln ready for the arch over the top but will now take in our corn before finishing it. ground my axe.

Nov 1 Clear and pleasant. Bought pork at 20 cents per lb. cannot afford to buy much at that Price. the Boys are husking corn in Streets field. I cut some saw logs in forenoon. in afternoon I Bored for clay Down in the front meadow. found plenty of it.

Nov 2 Cloudy & wet. shod 3 of our horses. Geo Hise took Jack and the carriage and took his wife Aunt Mary Anne Margaret & little Nora over to grandfather Goulbourns visiting. in aftrnoon we moved the fence and graded the pavement in front of Mother Hises house.

Nov 3 Cloudy & Pleasant. the Boys are husking corn. I laid the Plank in front of Mother Hises house in forenoon. in afternoon John Jones & I hauled Brick to the Brewery. the Rail Road company refused to take any more of Pidgeons Brick. they are too soft.

Nov 4 Cloudy but very pleasant. John and I are hauling Brick. got along well. collected some money. the Boys finished husking corn in sheets field. we got 256 bushels of ears to our share.

Nov 5 Cloudy and cold. some snow on the ground. wind blew hard all night. stormy and cold. worked a little in the shop.

Nov 6 Clear & cold. the Boys husked corn. John Jones hauled Brick & I shod one of our Horses. wrote a letter to Dave Woodruff etc.

Nov 7 Clear & cold. got our corn all in by noon. hauled Brick in afternoon. was pleasant all Day.

Nov 8 Clear & cold. ground froze this morning. settle and Paid off Austin Walker owed him 44 36/100 Doll. Geo Hise & Wife Started to Iowa this evening. Mother Hise went with them. Elizabeth Allen Joshua Davis youngest Sister Died to Day.

Nov 9 Clear & Pleasant as can well be. all hands hauled Brick to Day. hauled 12000 to

the Brewery.

Nov 10 Cloudy & cool. Peter hauled wood. I repaired our waggon to Day. the Methodists raised their church bell and Rang it for the first time and it is Remarkable as being the First church bell hung in Salem. its weight is 12 Hundred lb. Elizabeth Allen was Burried to Day.

Nov 11 Clear & cold. ground froze this morning. all hands worked at making a Dam in the woods.

Nov 12 Clear & as Pleasant as can be. made and ironed 2 singletrees. walked Down to Jacob Sells to see my Boards come home across the woods. Norman Garrigues & wife called out a little while. Isaac Gilbert Son of Benj Gilbert and Nephew to Amos Gilbert called on us. stayed and took Supper with us. Marius & Emely Robinson were with him. I hunted up some scraps of information from my journal for Marius. he is preparing a lecture on the Soldiers that went from Salem to assist in queling the Rebellion.

Nov 13 Clear & as pleasant as can be. Peter & I finished the Dam. in afternoon hauled brick. the little team could not keep the Bricklayers going.

Nov 14 Clear & warm. Both teams hauled Brick hauled 12000. wrote a note to Tom Sharp Declining the Sale of some land I had sold him but as he did not pay the money as agreed on I availed myself of the opportunity it afforded to Back out. what next?

Nov 15 Clear & warm. hauled Brick. took our Saw Down to James Trotters. was Down to the Buckeye. Saw them melt iron. they can Do it right.

Nov 16 Clear & warm. cannot be finer weather than we are having now. hauling Brick all Day. John Marshall Paid me 2364 cent for Brick.

Nov 17 Cloudy & warm looks like Rain. finished hauling our Brick. cleaned all up have not a Brick left. got Sharp to Square our Timber for clamping the Tyle Kiln and hauled it in. am tired to night.

Nov 18 Cloudy but Pleasant. Peter & John Jones hauled in the corn fodder. Wm Mercer & I found and Put up the Timbers on the Tyle Kiln made a first rate job of it. commenced Raining about 4 O'clock and is Raining moderately at Bedtime. got a letter from David Woodruff.

Nov 19 Clear & cool this morning. got up in good season .after feeding the Hogs took a walk out to see James Woodruff new House. spent most of the Day at home.

Nov 20 Clear & cold but thawed and was pleasant all Day. Both teams hauled Old Plank. Bill Mercer & I worked at the Tyle Kiln got along very well. Leonard Schilling came at noon and looked our Place over with a view to Buy it. he can Do it if he gives me my

price in a given time but I told him unless he Done so by the First of January 66 he would after that time be too late. I am now getting too old to move and shall not Do so unless compelled and it would take a Big streak of Bad luck to bring that about.

Nov 21 Cloudy & warm. froze none last night. all hands Done about the Same to Day as yesterday. hauled wood and laid Brick. Mr Muff (the Brewer) Paid me 536 Dollars for Brick all he owed me. I Deposited 535 Dollars of it. Bill Weldon started to Philadelphia. Ann Webb a sister of the late Simeon Jennings was here to Day looking at our home with a view of Buying. she must hurry up the ____ as the time is getting short in which I will Sell at any price.

Nov 22 Cloudy cool & wet. the Boys are theshing Oats. I am going to start for Pittsburgh at noon on business for H P Adams & Son.

Nov 23 Cloudy & wet at Pittsburgh. arrived Safe on yesterday. went to Masonic Hall to see Herman the great slight of hand performer said now to be the greatest in the world. was well Satisfied with what I saw. Put up at the St Charles Hotel.

Nov 24 Cloudy & Dull at Pittsburgh. spent the Day looking at machinery of all sorts Principally for making nailKegs. got very tired of Pittsburgh too much Doing. took Diner with Doc Goucher. started home at 2 PM arrived at 6. James Doud came Down with me. found all well at Home.

Nov 25 Cloudy & Pleasant. fine Indian Summer yet. spent the Day up Town. Made a legal Street of Franklin Avenue East of Lisbon Street. had some talk with Joseph Fawcett about Buying the corner lot Belonging to the Estate of Joseph Thomas. think I will Buy it.

Nov 26 Cloudy & Dull But not unpleasant out of Doors. went over to John Pows to see some Poplar trees I wanted to Buy but there is no money in them where they Stand. spent the Ballance of the Day at Home.

Nov 27 Cloudy & cold. too cold to work at our Tyle Kiln. I spent the Day in Town. J F Dickinson is with us. Says his Son David is Dead.

Nov 28 Cloudy and cool. Settled with Wm Mercer owed him 157 Dollars. gave him a check for the Money. spent the Day in Town. J F Dickinson is still with us.

Nov 29 Cloudy and smoky. still fine Indian Sumer. Done next to nothing to Day. J F Dickinson is with us still and I am glad of it. he is an old Friend whom I love.

Nov 30 Cloudy with weather about the Same perhaps a little colder. J F Dickinson went to Town this morning. I went with him Bought 6 milk Pans. attended John Hunts Sale. Bought nothing came home early. after Supper I rocked little Nora to sleep. the last time in her third year as on tomorrow morning at 4 O'clock she will be three years old.

Dec 1 Cloudy & cool. the Boys hauled Stone for the walk to the Cemetery. I Built a Shed along side of the Shop to put cuttings in.

Dec 2 Cloudy & warm. the Boys put the fodder in the Barn. I attended Elizabeth Allens sale. Bought some trifles. things sold high.

Dec 3 Cloudy & warm very pleasant. a Mr Bidell is with us. he is a Son in law to Doc Goucher is taking a Horse to Alliance for him. called here on last evening and stayed all night. he leaves at 10 O'clock for Alliance. spent the Day at home. Sold Ephraim Murphy 2 of my Pigs. he gave me 16 Dollars for the two.

Dec 4 Cloudy & warm raining a little. Bill Mercer leaves for Philadelphia to Day. Deposited 60 Dollars with me for Safe Keeping gave him my note for it. Peter commenced Plowing our corn ground.

Dec 5 Cloudy & warm. John & I made fence in forenoon. in afternoon we hauled Plank at the Brick yard and 2 loads of Sand. Peter is Plowing.

Dec 6 Cloudy & Pleasant. Peter is Plowing. I spent most of the Day in Town. Paid John Jones off. cannot use him any more this fall. was over to Father Goulbourns a few minutes this forenoon. looks like Rain at 4 O'clock. at 6 it is Raining.

Dec 7 Cloudy & wet. Rained all night. commenced snowing about 8 O'clock. Margaret & Aunt Mary Anne went Down to Sister Unos. I walked Down about noon. came back by Town. Daniel Bonsalls wife burried to Day. snow melted roads muddy.

Dec 8 Cloudy & cold. ground froze a little but Peter is Still Plowing. I made us a short log chain. spent most of the afternoon in Town. wrote a Deed of conveyance to Edwin Smith. Sold him my 3 cornered lot corner of Franklin Avenue and Lisbon Street.

Dec 9 Cloudy & cool. Peter still Plows. Margaret & I went early to Town. Acknowledged the Signing & Sealing of Edwin Smiths Deed and Delivered it to him. he Paid me 150 Dollars and gave me his note for the Ballance (200 Dollars) Payable in twelve months with interest from Date. (he has the privilege of Paying in Sums not less than 50 Dollars anytime he may see propper. got me a Pair of Splendid new Boots of John Callahan. Ephraim Murphy made them. Rained some by short spells most of the afternoon.

Dec 10 Cloudy & cool. ground froze a little. Peter rode Colie home to Day. I spent the Day at home. Geo Meredith came out to look at our hand Rail with a view to putting up a new one But Said it was a Pity to throw away the one we have. guess we will keep the Old one.

Dec 11 Clear and cool. must get ready to Butcher 2 of our hogs tomorrow. Peter & I

hauled wood and erected a gallows set Kettle etc etc. I went to Town in afternoon. ground a new Butcher knife. Rained some at 5 O'clock PM.

Dec 12 Cloudy & Dull. Killed 2 of our hogs. Cris Kineman helped us. Rained a little about noon. hogs not cold enough to cut up will have to leave them out to night to cool. Paid Geo Foister ten Dollars (wood chopper).

Dec 13 Cloudy & colder. ground froze some this morning. cut our pork in forenoon. in afternoon Peter & I hauled in logs to Saw up for fire wood. hauled 2 loads home. grew colder all Day.

Dec 14 Clear & cold. windows frosted over so you cannot see out. soon warmed them up when I got a fire started. Peter cut the Dead cucumber tree & we made 3 Saw logs of it. very cold wind.

Dec 15 Clear & cold. sun shone all Day but thawed none. hauled our 3 logs in to the mill. I worked some at an Elephant I am making. spent a Part of the Day in Town.

Dec 16 Cloudy & cold. Sawed our wood got a fine lot of it. hauled 4 loads home. ground froze very sollid.

Dec 17 Cloudy & cold. moderate winter weather. finished the wood work of my Elephant. good imitation. will be quite a fine Christmas toy for the children. heard George Thompson Preach to Day. he has Delivered 2 lectures in Salem and Fryday & Saturday evenings but none of us went to hear him.

Dec 18 Cloudy & Pleasant. checked out 50 Dollars and went to Lisbon on foot to Pay my Tax but found the place so throng I left my money with Capt Coppock (Clerk of the Court) he will pay it for me. Rained most of the afternoon. went & came back along the Rail Road. it is much farther but I had a curiosity to see where it was located. Brot home with me a christmas tree for the children. got home about 6 O'clock some tired.

Dec 19 Cloudy & warm. spent the Day in town. Painting toys for the children. Capt Coppock sent my Tax Receipt by mail together with the change all right. a little cooler at sundown. Roads are getting quite muddy.

Dec 20 Cloudy & cold. ground froze up this morning. Peter is fencing the Orchard. I am still in the Toy business. snowed fast from the South East. I turned in and helped Peter set the Posts. still snowing at Dark.

Dec 21 Cloudy & cold. Rained some in the night and froze up Solid. ground covered with Ice. wind blowed very hard all night. Peter is chopping. I spent the Day up Town. Painted my toy Elephant and Done some other schores.

Dec 22 Cloudy & cold. Peter is unwell to Day having taken a severe cold yesterday.

made a couple of pairs of Skates for the Boys a christmas gift and in the evening I covered a cane head.

Dec 23 Clear & cold. windows covered with ice. made 2 Pairs of Skates or rather finished those I forged yesterday. kept me busy. I have now got all my christmas work Done except putting up the tree and arranging the gifts on it.

Dec 24 Cloudy & warmer. will thaw a little to Day. spent the Day at home Reading Deck & Port. toward evening Peter & I walked Down to Aaron Antrims to see his large hog. he thinks he will weigh 800 Pounds. I think it will tuff him considerable. we Brot back some moss to cover the Roots of our Christmas tree. after the children went to bed we fixed up Redy for morning.

Dec 25 Clear & very Pleasant this morning. got up at 5 O'clock lit our candles and lamps. made the Room as light as possible. got the children up and such Delight as they evinced I never saw. they had a regular gala Day. Brother Jesse and his Family eat Turkey with us. Pleasant all Day as could be wished.

Dec 26 Cloudy warm & wet. is Raining at 6 O'clock as I write. spent most of the Day in Town. lent Jonathan Haines 200 Dollars for which he gave me his note seconded by Mortgage.

Dec 27 Cloudy & wet. is raining this morning. Roads are now as muddy as they well can be. worked some on a bellows I am making for John Gordon. Cris Kineman & I went Down to Joshua Daviss with George Foster and measured and took account of the wood he had chopped for me. there is 1938 cords there yet. he cut 284 cords altogether for which I Paid him one Dollar per cord. owe him 65 Dollars yet.

Dec 28 Cloudy & wet. snowed a little in the night but soon melted off. as muddy as can well be. worked all Day at the Bellows. got them Pretty nearly Done. spent a Part of the evening up Town.

Dec 29 Cloudy & cold. ground freezing slowly. finished the bellows. Peter is not well. Done but little to Day. I spent the evening in Town.

Dec 30 Clear & cold. Roads froze sollid this morning. I went out to Mrs Joshua Webbs to see further about the House. She is to come in and see if it is so much abused to be untenable. Peter hauled manure.

Dec 31 Clear & Pleasant in the sun. attended church at the Broad gauge. Timothy & Mary Gee visited us this afternoon. Pleasant all Day.

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Jan 1 Cloudy & cold with no snow. Pleasant winter weather. Cris Kineman & I cut 3 nice shed Poles. Peter hauled wood. I spent a good part of the Day in Town. Bought a new vest coat cost 10 Dollars. Margaret & I are going to the Ball given at the Buckeye Machine Shops.

Jan 2 Clear & cold. no snow Roads are excellent. am right well at Daylight. took a little cold. had a fine time at the Social Party last night. some 4 Hundred were present. Peter hauled wood. I commenced the repair of our carriage.

Jan 3 Clear & cold. Butchered the Ballance of our hogs (3) to Day. Cris Kineman helped us. I rimmed one of our carriage wheels and helped hang up the Hogs.

Jan 4 Cloudy & cold. cut up my Pork. Peter hauled wood. a Mr Duckens called to swap Horses with me but I am a Poor hand to trade Horses. we Did not swap. got a letter from D Woodruff he is now in Galveston Texas.

Jan 5 Cloudy & very cold this morning. Peter hauled wood. I rimmed three of our carriage wheels. Bought a Sausage chopper cost 3 1/2 Dollars. am tired of taking meat to Town to chop it. Brother Jesse got a letter from Iowa Saying that Mother Hise would start home on thursday last. if so she should be here to night.

Jan 6 Cloudy & cold. weather about the Same. Mother Hise got home last night. Aaron Hise Williams Son accompanied her. spent a Portion of the Day in Town.

Jan 7 Clear & very cold. we all visited at Brother Jesses. Richard Ramsden and his wife were there. we had a very Pleasant visit. came home in good time. Still very cold.

Jan 8 Clear & very cold. thermomiter 8 Degrees below Zero. worked some at my Tyle Machine to Day. must now get that Done. Peter is hauling wood.

Jan 9 Clear & Pleasant as can be. roads excellent. worked at my Tyle machine. Peter hauled wood.

Jan 10 Cloudy & wether about the Same. wrote a letter to David Woodruff. worked at my Tyle Machine. Two fires in Town to Day. Charles Bossets House on Main St took fire from a Defective flue but was Discovered and Put out before it Done much Damage. the other was H P Adams & Sons Dry House. it had to be torn Down before water could be gotten to the fire. Strange to say not over one Hundred Stoves were burned. snowed a little to Day.

Jan 11 Cloudy & warmer with a little snow which fell slowly all Day but amounted to but little as the ground is scarcely covered. worked at my machine. Bought 2 Dollars worth

of Sugar and one Dollars worth of iron. Aaron Hise of Iowa is here.

Jan 12 Cloudy & warmer. threatens to Rain. am very much affraid we shall have a break up. would like to see the Roads continue good.

Jan 13 Clear at Daylight. heavy thunder and Rain last night and this morning. looks & feels like April but growed gradually colder all Day. at sundown the mud is stiffened a little with frost. rented my lot on Main St to Robt Justice for 150 Dollars payable monthly. Richard Garrigues Paid me one hundred Dollars on account.

Jan 14 Cloudy & colder with ground covered with snow. Peter & I hooped our carriage wheels. Margaret went to church. I tarried at home as being more congenial. Dont feel the necessity of church going Regularly. I can enjoy it occasionally but soon surfeit under it. wrote a letter to Jonathan Davis of Patmos.

Jan 15 Cloudy & cold. ground froze sollid this morning. I worked at my Tyle machine & Peter hauled wood. Rained and froze at it fell. walks are very slippery.

Jan 16 Cloudy cold and very windy. wind blowed hard all night. hooped my wagon and Shod 2 of our Horses. traded Horses with Levi Straley. gave him 80 Dollars money Down to Boot. almost as much as his Horse is worth but I traded one that would never Do me much good altho she cost me 111 Dollars.

Jan 17 Cloudy & cold. very icy all Day. Impossibleto get about and stand up. got along well with my machine to Day.

Jan 18 Clear & Pleasant with some more snow this morning but will melt off to Day. Done but little to Day waiting for castings. thawed considerable. is quite warm at sunsett. Mother Hise is with us now.

Jan 19 Clear & warm. thawed all Day. roads are getting muddy. worked at my Machine. Peter took a load of Straw to Town & Brot out a load of manure. hauled 2 loads of wood. I rode Jack up to sell him to Wesly Cook and altho he liked himin every respect he Did not buy him. think he will yet. But I shall sell him the first opportunity I get. Joseph Garwood Died.

Jan 20 Cloudy & at sunrise commenced growing cold. kept our team in the Stable to Day. I ground one of our Axes and spent th Day in Town. Paid Geo Foster 60 Dollars all I owed him for chopping wood. Roads are froze sollid by 4 O'clock PM and very Rough. cold as need to be at sunsett.

Jan 21 Clear & cold. wind in Southwest and very cold. attended church (Broad gauge) after which I attended the Funeral of Joseph Garwood. snowed some but not enough to cover the ground. wind still in the Southwest & very cold.

Jan 22 Clear & cold. wrote a short letter to Brother Jacob. spent the Day in Town. Done but little. Peter hauled wood.

Jan 23 Cloudy & cold. snowed a little all Day. at night it is 2 inches thick. I spent the Day in Town. got Nora & Sis to sit for their Photograph. took Diner with Ike Taylor at the Broadway. Bought some nicnacks for Margaret Cranberries Raisins Cinnamon etc etc.

Jan 24 Cloudy & cool. spent a good part of the Day in Town. Some Horse Trainers here they Drove their Horses to a Buggy without Bridle or lines. commanded them by the motion of the whip. wanted to get up a class to teach but could not succeed. snowed as fast at 2 O'clock as I ever saw snow Fall but soon quit. Isaac Gilbert (Son of Benjamin) came home with me is going to stay all night. that suits me.

Jan 25 Cloudy with weather a little warmer. went with Isaac to Town. he went out to Zimmie Whinneys. I shackled about Town until about night. Peter hauled one laod of wood.

Jan 26 Cloudy & colder. hard crust on what little snow there is. I Shod Bill our new Horse. Peter hauled wood. I Blacksmithed some. Isaac Gilbert & Martha Sharpnack called out and took Diner with us. the former lives in Wisconsin.

Jan 27 Cloudy & cold. looks like snowing out of Doors. Isaac Gilbert started home at noon. I ground one of our axes & Drilled our carriage tire. Bought Margaret some fine Sea Shells.

Jan 28 Cloudy with weather just the Same. attended the Broad Gauge heard an excellent Sermon. Richard Ramsden & wife John Gordon and wife Joel McMillen wife & mother visited us. had a glorious time.

Jan 29 Cloudy and as fine winter weather as can be. am going to start for Pittsburgh at noon. think some of going as far as Lancaster Pa. it will Depend altogether on how I feel when I get to Pitt. arrived Safe. met Isaac Gilbert at the Depot and we went to the St Charles and took lodging.

Jan 30 and 31 We arose early and Spent the entire Day in looking about Town. visited the principal Iron works Glass works and several other places of interest and at 4 O'clock PM we both left on the Cars for Lancaster Pa he on one Car & I on another (for he Did not know that I was going home with him). had a Pleasant ride across the mountains by myself as it were except a few miles this side of Huntingdon Doc Handman came into the Same Car. we were mutually pleased to meet other. we arrived at Lancaster about 4 O'clock on the 31st where I left the Cars and walked Down the R R to Seaman Place (a Distance of twelve miles) where I took breakfast the started on foot across the Country for Benjamin Gilberts passing through a fine Country. I arrived about 12 O'clock. Our meeting was mutually Satisfactory for we known other by reputation only. we were not

long in getting acquainted and put in the afternoon and evening very Satisfactory to us all. at 8 O'clock Isaac arrived and of course was surprised to see me there 8 hours before him. But after having our congratulations at the success of the joke we went to bed where I got a comfortable sleep.

Feb 1 on the 1st I went with Isaac after his trunk up to May P.O. from there we went (as the Sleighing was good) Down the Valley Road as far as quarryville the a south course and east and so on a circuit of 4 1/2 miles around their home and returned by the Ruins of Old Furnace. that was very Romantic. spent the Ballance of the Day with Uncle Benjamin his company being very agreeable.

Feb 2 the second I kept close house weather cold and company very agreeable.

Feb 3 on the 3rd Isaac took me over into Chester Co a Distance of 14 miles to See his Ucle Joshua Gilbert but he was absent and we were Disappointed. we spent the afternoon with his Daughter who was very agreeable and returned home in the evening. came a different road that I might see all the country Possible.

Feb 4 Sundy the 4th we spent setting by the fire. weather very cold but the House is so comfortable we had no Difficulty in keeping warm. toward evening Isaac Tacy Abona and myself took a walk over to see a fine Spring and a large rack Both curiosity to me.

Feb 5 Monday the 5th I made Abona a mop iron and Done some little schores about. collected some little trifles such as wood (Laurel) some grape vine cutting grafts from their Pear trees etc. Packed my Haversack ready for a Start home in the morning.

Feb 6 on the morning of the 6th Isaac & I started for ____ where we arrived just in time to take the Cars for the west. I Bid him a hasty & reluctant good by and Started. came by Columbia Saw the Peirs of the Bridge that was burned to Keep the Rebels from crossing the Susquehana. arrived Safe at Altoona about 8 O'clock and got off of the Cars to stay over night as I wanted to cross the mountains in Day light.

Feb 7 at 7 O'clock took breakfast and got abord of the Cars. had an excellent view of the Mountain Scenery. arrived at Johnstown 1/2 past 9 where I again got off and went to see them making R R iron. the works are very extensive they take it from the ore work 2600 hands. run the machinery Day & night. make about 3 miles of Rail Road iron every Day. after Satisfying myselfat Johnstown I took the Train for Pittsburg where we arrived 1/2 past 2 PM. as I could Do nothing in Pitt to pay me for Staying I took the cars at three O'clock for home where I arrived at 6 O'clock. found all well and looking for me. was glad to get Back. went early to bed.

Feb 8 Cloudy & cold. Roads good. Peter is still hauling wood. I must try and write a line to Uncle Benjamin gilbert. after writing my letter took it up and mailed it. while there Discovered a match for Jack. tried my best to buy him but could not. I then told the owner that I had a match for his horse he at once wanted to see him. I rode him in and as

he was so complete a match he bought him at once. Paid me one hundred Dollars and gave me his note Payable on the first of March next for one hundred Dollars more. I was glad to match horses so close and as good ones as they are. I think I never saw a Span of horses I would rather own than them. they are good for 600 Dollars in the Pittsburgh Market. gave Philip Evans my Pear grafts I brot from Uncle Benjamin Gilbert. snowed a little. Roads are excellent.

Feb 9 Cloudy with a little more snow but not enough for Sleighing. Blacksmithed some and spent a part of the Day in Town.

Feb 10 Cloudy & warmer. will thaw some to Day. Settled with Philip Evans after which he & I looked over Chessmans land that lies immediately north of me with a view of buying it. Philip made an offer of 75 Dollars per Acre but Chessman said that would not Buy it. spent all Day in Town Doing nothing. I ought to have been at work as I have a great Deal to Do between now and the first of May.

Feb 11 Cloudy & wet. rained considerable last night. Batted our carriage tire on. lent Fred Sloane 5 Dollars. Father & Mother Goulbourn visited us this afternoon. roads sloppy but not Deep mud.

Feb 12 Cloudy & some colder this morning. is snowing from the north. hope we may have some sledding as I want to haul a few logs. Peter & I got a few logs loose but soon got tired of it. I spent the afternoon in town. loaned Fred Sloane 59 Dollars got 50 of it out of Bank.

Feb 13 Cloudy and moderate winter weather. Philip Evans came over this morning. he & I started up to see Samuel Chessman to try & Buy some land of him. we met him on the way and soon made a bargain for it. we Paid him 90 Dollars per acre for 51 acres that Philip and I Divide I getting about 16 acres and he the Ballance. and I bought a lot besides lying west of the 16 acres and on Sec 6. supposed to contain 4 acres for which I to pay him 125 Dollars per acre. that makes my farm in a shape that I can run my lane right east and have a row of fields on each side. Paid Tom Sharpnack 54 35/100 Doll gave him a check for it.

Feb 14 Cloudy with some more snow this morning but is raining as I write. worked in the Shop all Day making a new wagon bed. Peter could not haul to day. commenced turning colder about 4 O'clock PM.

Feb 15 Cloudy & cold. wind blew very hard all night. windows covered with frost this morning. Peter & I worked in shop making a new wagon bed. very cold all Day. got a letter from Emma Walton.

Feb 16 Clear & very cold 13 Degrees below zero. worked in shop. too cold to work any where else. froze hard all Day. not a cloud to be seen.

Feb 17 Clear & cold as ever. Nora has a bad cold. Did not rest well last night. we kept a fire in our bed room all night. Jehu Strawn surveyed the land Bought of Chessman. warmer in middle of the Day. spent the evening in Town. Paid Peter 5 Dollars.

Feb 18 Cloudy & warmer. snows a little at 9 O'clock. I Blacksmithed some. attended Broad gauge heard an excellent Discourse. Rained some but thawed but little.

Feb 19 Cloudy with weather just cold enough to not thaw. wrote a letter to Bill Mercer of Philadelphia. walked over to Arthur Haydens and bought some saw Timber of him. came home and commenced working at my log wagon supposing we should have to haul them in at that But it soon commenced snowing. I went up Town and hunted up a hand to help cut them on tomorrow.

Feb 20 Cloudy & cold. got a good start this morning. cut 19 logs hauled 13 of them into the mill and brot a Rail cut home with us. snow is rather scarce in the Road but in the woods is good enough for small logs. snowed fast about 11 O'clock.

Feb 21 Cloudy & cold at 6 O'clock AM. we got ina few more logs. the snow is all gone and we came home in the mud.

Feb 22 Clear & warmer. Peter & I hauled the Ballance of our corn fodder. took a load of straw to Town & got a load of manure. in afternoon brot a load of 2 in plank from Sells Mill. Roads are getting muddy.

Feb 23 Cloudy & warm. Peter & I hauled our logs ready to Saw. I spent the afternoon in town. Bought a Dozen knives forks cost 24 Dollars. very muddy.

Feb 24 Cloudy & wet. roads as muddy as can well be. spent a part of the Day in Town. went out to Sawmill (3 miles) but they were not sawing my logs and I came right back to Town. went to see Fred Sloane who got accidently shot in the arm last Tuesday. the Doctors had just amputated it at the Shoulder. I never saw as horrid a sight as the arm presented as it laid where the Doctors had left it on a box at the Door. cold at sundown and is going to freeze considerable to night.

Feb 25 Clear & cold. snowed and blowed some in the night and is cold and Disagreeable this morning. went up to see Sloane. he is going to Die and had some things to tell me concerning the Disposition to be made of his effects which I shall Do my best to carry out. was with him but a few minutes. visited at Mr Gordons had a good time. ground froze solid.

Feb 26 Clear & cold. Peter is chopping wood. I helped him fall a large Dead Hackberry after which I went to Town. on my way I called at Martins to see Hannah Kole. She is not going to work for us as she promised to Do. we can easily get someone else. on my arrival in Town I learned that Sloane Died at 2 O'clock this morning. I went Directly out to Isaac Bonsalls and got his watch as he had requested me to Do. there will be some

trouble in adjusting his affairs. no one appears to know much about them. worked at my Tyle machine some this afternoon.

Feb 27 Cloudy and a very little warmer. carried wash water before breakfast. after breakfast went out to Sawmill and piled up my Boards as fast as they Sawed them. had 2715 feet Sawyers measure but it will not hold out that much measured as it should be to sell. Sloane was Burried at 2 O'clock.

Feb 28 Cloudy & warmer. Wiley a Collard man came on to chop for me this morning. sett him to cleaning up around the Swamp I bought of Chessman. I got stuff for Sugar spiles but it is very Doubtful if I use them this Spring. Peter hauled fire wood. thawed a little all Day. got a letter from Isaac B Gilbert.

Mar 1 Cloudy & warm. froze none last night. March is coming in like a lamb go out as it may. Peter & I hauled wood & Rails. commenced the line fence between Philip Evans and I. warm all Day but too Dry for Sugar water to rise.

Mar 2 Clear & warm. the air feels as though it must Rain. Built up our line fence commenced on yesterday. hauled our blocks for Car wheels out to Tom Sharps Foundry to turn them. Ground Wileys axe. Peter hauled 2 loads of manure from Town. Rained none to Day but still looks like it.

Mar 3 Clear & a little colder with some Rain last night. turned 2 of my Car wheels. collected a little money but Paid out more. Bought 50 lb of good Sugar cost 18 cts per lb. Peter went Down home to Day. expects to Bring another hand Back with him. colder at sundown.

Mar 4 Cloudy & cold. ground froze hard again. George Fleck came out this morning and got some milk. he brot us some cabbages to Pay for it. My head is giddy am not well. all I can Do to feed the Stock. Slept good part of the Day. Frank Hise called out. he is just from Pittsburgh where he has been attending Commercial Colledge. wrote a letter to Wm Mercer of Philadelphia.

Mar 5 Clear & cold. Peter & David (a new hand) is cutting Saw logs. I am not well enough to work at anything. spent a part of the Day at the Buckeye Machine Shop.

Mar 6 Clear & cold. ground froze hard. I feel some more like work. must try and Do something to Day. helped cut logs Peter hauled them in. in afternoon I sett up our log wagon and got it ready to run.

Mar 7 Cloudy & cold. snowed and blowed most of the Day. we all went 3 miles South and cut & hauled in saw logs. brot a load of lumber home with us. cold Day. roads good.

Mar 8 Cloudy & cold. Peter & David hauled Boards with Both teams. I worked some at

my Tyle machine. Roads are excellent. Miller Hains & Chalkly Harris Robbed last night.

Mar 9 Cloudy & cold. Both teams hauling Boards. I turned Car wheels. Stormed and snowed very much to Day. ground is covered with snow. Mary McClernen Buried to Day. Dies of Cancer.

Mar 10 Clear & cold. turned Car wheels. the Boys hauled Boards. snow melted off to Day. arrested the Scoundrels that Robbed our neighbors Wendsday night a white man & a negro Both near neighbors. have them in irons at the Broadway Hotel. the white man confessed all. looks like Rain at Dark. Bought 2 bushels of Dried apples cost $4.50 per bushel. 1/2 bushel of Dried peaches cost $4.50. Provision is very high.

Mar 11 Cloudy warmer & wet. rained considerable through the Day. is now very muddy. hung up our meat and Put a smoke under it. strolled around through the woods. toward night Rained a little. Jesse Hise called out and stayed until Dark.

Mar 12 Cloudy warm & wet. lots of water & mud this morning. I turned Car wheels all Day got nearly Done. the Boys hauled one load of Sticks for boards & went to mill. Roads are too bad to Do much.

Mar 13 Cloudy & Dull. finished my Car wheels. went out to the Sawmill and piled out my boards. the Boys cut wood in wood house

Mar 14 Cloudy & threatens Rain. worked all Day at my Tyle Machine. must finish it now. the Boys split wood Down widow Howels some. we have have hard cut there for 2 years. sun shone a little to Day. Chessman moved on his farm to Day.

Mar 15 Cloudy wet & Raining at Six O'clock. sun shone but very little to Day. rained all Day ground is very full of water. I worked on the Tyle machine. the Boys cut wood in wood house.

Mar 16 Cloudy & Raining. the Boys are clearing out the wagon house and Doing such other schores as they can Do. I worked at the machine. Sun Shone some. the Boys split some wood at Widow Howels. blowed and Snowed as hard as ever I saw it. at 5 O'clock one could scarce keep his feet. ground is covered with snow at bedtime. the wind houls and blows hard. very rough weather.

Mar 17 Clear & cold. little Nora rested very little last night. she must have a colic or something that caused her to be very restless. worked at the Tyle machine. cold all Day. ground froze sollid.

Mar 18 Cloudy & cold. ground covered with snow. sat by the fiore all Day. wrote a letter to Benj Gilbert. Margaret & I went up town to see Mary Saxon who fell from a Horse and broke her arm. cold all Day.

Mar 19 Cloudy & cold with 3 inches of Snow the most we have had at one time this winter. we took advantage of it. hauled shed Poles forks and timber to hew got of Joshua Hilliard. thawed but very little if any. sled slips first rate.

Mar 20 Cloudy & warmer. rains a very little but we hauled 4 loads when it commenced raining. the snow all melted this afternoon. waters is very high and roads are getting muddy again. I worked at my Tyle machine in afternoon. got the movement about Done. it appears to work well while empty whatever it may Do when full of mud. Lizzie Weise commenced to Day.

Mar 21 Cloudy warm & wet. heavy thunder and rain last night. the ground is covered with water this morning. worked on the Tyle machine in afternoon. the Boys tore out the stone bridge in front of lane & chopped wood. roads are too bad to haul.

Mar 22 Cloudy with weather much the Same. the Boys hauled in a small stick to hew while the ground was froze. I burnt brush until about 11 O'clock. Sis started to Pittsburgh at noon Peter took her to the Depot. Mr Ellis fortunately was going up also and they were company for one another. I worked at the machine in afternoon. the Boys split a few rails and wood.

Mar 23 Cloudy & muddy. ground froze but very little to Day. rained some through the Day. the Boys are clearing up the wood I Bought of Chessman. I made Patterns. Joels House came near burning.

Mar 24 Cloudy & cold. ground froze again this morning. I Put a trap Door through the Roof of our House and made a stair way to it that we can now get out on the house top with ease. I was fearful of fire in which case we could not get out were ever so small a fire it might get beyond our control before we could get to it. in afternoon we burnt brush in the woods. Rained a little in afternoon. Paid Wiley 2 Dollars.

Mar 25 Cloudy & cold with one inch of snow Down and more a falling. attended Broad Gauge church. had a very truthful Discourse and one that accorded with my views exactly. remained cold all Day. we all stuck close to the fire. Read a letter from Mother Hise. a niece whom I never saw she was Born and Raised in Minden Parrish Louisiana where she still lives. I was interested in it. like its tone.

Mar 26 Cloudy & cold with about the Same amount of snow. we shall haul Saw logs to Day. got Done hauling logs at noon. I made Patterns in afternoon. the Boys chopped wood. thaws but little. got a letter from Sis.

Mar 27 Cloudy & cold. ground froze hard and some snow. the boys chopped. I made Patterns. thawed but little to Day. the sun shone bright but the wind is too cold to admit of a thaw.

Mar 28 Clear & cold. ground froze sollid this morning. Stormy and snowing about

noon. moderated and Rained a little. I went out to see Mrs Webb about her house she has for Sale. the Boys righted up the wood house.

Mar 29 Cloudy & cold. I Blacksmithed most of the Day. the Boys hauled straw and chopped wood. cold all Day. Mother Hise is with us to Day but is going back to Town this evening.

Mar 30 Clear & cold with a little more snow but will thaw. tapped our sugar trees but he water ran none of any account.. got up some wood etc but can Do nothing that will Pay.

Mar 31 Cloudy and cold with more snow this morning. the boys chopped some but soon commenced to rain. was very wet until about noon when it cleared off and was warm but soon clouded up. had some heavy thunder and soon afterward a slight hail storm. hauled in 2 barrels of Sugar water boiled some of it. John WAlker & his brother Austen are here to supper. the latter stays all night. Charles Grizell Paid me 7 52/100 Doll they owed me for brick. it had been forgotten.

Apr 1 Cloudy & cool. cleared off and was pleasant a part of the Day. sold 5100 feet of Boards for 3 Dollars per hundred. 1500 feet to John Callahan 3600 to Isaac Arnold. the latter paid ten Dollars on his. hauled in 2 barrels of sugar water. John Walker & wife took Diner with us. wrote a letter to Brother Jacob.

Apr 2 Cloudy. cold war weather this morning. Peter hauled Mrs Post a load of wood. Roads too bad but she must be kept warm. I spent a part of the Day in Town. Dave boiled Down our Sugar water.

Apr 3 Clear & cool but ground not frozen any. sugar making is about gone up. Peter & I tore Down Flue in forenoon. in afternoon made some fence. Dave finished Boiling our Sugar water.

Apr 4 Clear & very warm. we got out new sills for house on main Street. was warm work. Wm Mercer Returned to Day he looks well.

Apr 5 Clear & warm. Peter hauled wood in forenoon. in afternoon we hauled in our sills. was hard work the woods are so very wet. Bought 1/2 bushel of Timothy seed cost 2 Dollars. Roads dry & rough.

Apr 6 Cloudy & drizzles rain a little. Peter hauled Boards and manure. Dave & I worked at the house up Town. Milton Taylor is Raising it up. Dirty & hard job. sowed my Timothy seed and Planted a bed of Onions.

Apr 7 Cloudy and some colder. got up early and spaded some garden. worked at Raising the Building got along well. Milton left us at noon and I have now to Engineer it through myself.

Apr 8 Cloudy & cold ground froze. sun shone some but hawed but little. Cris & I laid out our new brick yard. attend meeting after which we all went Down to Sells mill & measured out 2936 feet of boards. spent the Ballance of the Day at home.

Apr 9 Clear & cool. commenced making our new Brickyard. Thomas Heaton commenced this morning. Bill Mercer & Don Sharpnack is helping me up Town. we are getting along well Raising our building. wrote a letter to Brother Jacob.

Apr 10 Clear & cool. got our Building up and the floor let Down to its place. Peter hauled boards. Sis Hise returned from Pittsburgh at 5 O'clock. she is well. Bought a couple of Plow shares cost 80 cents each.

Apr 11 Clear & very pleasant. peter commenced Plowing for Oats. some is making brick yard. others helping me up Town. Received 400 Dollars from Edwin Hise by Express To Pay on property he bought of Joshua Webb. Deposited it with Elwood Vickers at the Buckeye Machine Shop. Robt Hole Paid me 5 Dollars on account. Charles Grizell spent the evening with us. we had a good comfortable chat.

Apr 12 Clear & pleasant. a little windy. hauled boards in forenoon Shingles in afternoon. we got some of them on. Peter is plowing for Oats.

Apr 13 Clear & pleasant with a fine shower last night. grass looks green this morning. the Rain will not interfere with sowing Oats. shingled a part of our house up town. 4 carpenters working besides Daniel H Sharpnack & myself. ought soon to be Done. Sun shone pleasant all Day.

Apr 14 Clear & Delightful this morning. spaded some garden before breakfast. Peter got our Oats in by noon. got the Roof on our house up Town. Paid Daniel Sharpnack 11 Dollars for his weeks work. Rained some through the Day but not enough to hinder us much. about 5 O'clock we had a good rain. Peter went Down home.

Apr 15 Clear & Pleasant. attended church had a pleasant sermon. after Diner I made a Bow for Bill Minser. John Clemens with his wife Simeon Sharp and his wife & Daughter spent a couple of hours with us very agreeably. was glad they came. feel the better of having their Company.

Apr 16 Clear & warm. as fine growing weather as can be. Cris Kineman throwed up the Brickyard that he had commenced to make in our meadow. he was fearful it would not Pay. I am heartily glad of it. we will now run it ourselves. I worked at the house. got along well. Peter returned about Dark. brot my money that was coming to me for Jack (the horse I sold Wm Harrison). one hundred Dollars.

Apr 17 Clear & pleasant. the Boys are making Brick yard. I work up town. want to get that job Done as soon as possible. Deposited 100 Dollars.

Apr 18 Clear & cool at Daylight. got up early. went Down to Joshua Davis and back before sunrise. Aunt Mary Ann Hise Started to New Albany Ind. took Frank with her left Willie & Fanniehere. Isaac Arnold Paid me for the Boards he Bought 113 Dollars worth. Peter planted our early Potatoes. Thomas & Done work on the yard & I am still working up Town.

Apr 19 Clear & Pleasant. put in the Day up Town. Pete hauled boards & manure. grand mother Hise is here helping Margaret make Soap. had good luck to Day.

Apr 20 Clear & fine as can be. Peter sowed a little more Oats the ground being too wet when he sowed the Ballance. worked up Town. have a Big job of it. looks some like Rain at sunsett.

Apr 21 Cloudy & Pleasant with a few Drops only of Rain last night. cleared off and was pleasant all Day. Margaret attended the Funeral of Caleb Arner. I could not possible go. got the Front on our Building and Done some work on the inside. Bought 5 bushels of Potatoes cost 140 per bushel.

Apr 22 Clear & most beautiful. got up at break of Day. walked out to Lewis Williamsons Sawmill. engaged him to saw some scantling for me. came back as far as Jo Saxons stopped in & got breakfast. came home in time to put away our own Bacon and go to church after which I walked out as far as the Cemetery with John Gordon. from there I came home and remained there the Ballance of the Day. Hannah Kale & Maggie Jones spent a Portion of the Day with us. Sis went with Mary Hick (who was here last night) to Sister Unos.

Apr 23 Cloudy & wet. Raining fine at 5 O'clock very seasonable rain. shod one of our Horses before breakfast. hauled a few Scantling from Williamsons Sawmill. Daniel Sharpnack & I worked at our House in Town which is about all the work we got Done. rained all Day except when it Snowed which it Done about 5 O'clock PM. Blowed and Stormed hard from northwest. is very raw & cold at Dark. hope it will remain cloudy for the present. if not our fruit crop goes up certain. got a letter from Amos Gilbert of Lancaster Co Pa. Paid John Hunts son 4 50/100 I owed him for a stove Bought. (Nora is quite unwell).

Apr 24 Cloudy & cold. very windy all night. some snow this morning. little Nora was poorly all night. the Boys tore Down & removed our old Stable up Town hauled away trash etc etc. got a letter from Brother Jacob.

Apr 25 Cloudy & cold but no frost. Dug cellar Drain hauled wood etc. Bought the House & lot (3 acres) of Mrs Webb the Same I sold her Husband 4 or 5 years since. (Bought it for Edwin Hise Paid 400 Dollars on it money that he Expressed to me for the Purpose. six hundred Dollars yet to pay in two annual payments with interest from Date.

Apr 26 Clear & cold. considerable frost this morning. repaired the locks of some of our

Doors. some Ice on the Buckets that were filled with water & stood out. got our building ready to plaster.

Apr 27 Clear & cool with considerable frost but not so cold as yesterday. got our cellar Drain in. worked very hard to accomplish it. Phil Mathews lathed the Store room ready for the Plaster. warm all Day. think the cold weather is now over.

Apr 28 Clear & very warm this morning. spaded some garden am too tired to Do much. shall take it a little moderate to Day. made mortar this afternoon to plaster our storeroom on Main St. Peter & the other 2 hands made fence this afternoon. Doc Goucher & wife took Diner with us.

Apr 29 Cloudy & warm. got up early took a walk over the Farm before breakfast. commenced a play House for little Nora. worked faithfully all Day. got it about Done. it is 5 feet square and well built. engaged Wash Hammond to attend the Plasterer. Lizzie went home to stay a Day or two.

Apr 30 Clear & warm. worked on the Brick yard to Day. must now get ready to make Brick. took in 5 Cows to Pasture (viz) John Callahan Ephraim Murphy Nathan Chestnut Samuel Sheets & Mrs Posts. they are all to be turned in on the morrow. Peter went to John Gordons & brot 3 bushels of Potatoes for seed.

May 1 Cloudy & looks like rain at 7 O'clock. worked some on a wheelbarrow. in afternoon worked up town. rained most of the Day and at sundown is cool. at Dark is raining hard. Nora is poorly to Day.

May 2 Clear & cool. Carpentered until noon. Painted my wheelbarrow. got out stuff for Brick molds. some working at the Brick yard and Peter is clearing off a Potatoe Patch.

May 3 Clear & cold. stiff frost this morning. cold all Day. not much chance for fruit. Ida Brook and Allen Pope married this evening at 7 O'clock. David Garwood & Emma Montgomery married this morning. cold as I write at 9 O'clock. have a fire in Bed room.

May 4 Clear & cool with a little frost this morning. worked at my Brick molds and other matters pertaining to Brick making. peter hauled away the Debris from our Store room up town. have it about Done now.

May 5 Clear & cool but clouded up toward evening. got ready & made some brick every thing works well. Clay is extra nice. Sam Chessman was there to see us make the first one. spent a portion of the evening in town. came home in company with Joshua Hilliard. Dark & threatens rain.

May 6 Cloudy and at sunrise is Raining. Ironed and Painted my wheelbarrow. Strolled over the farm came across Tom Sharp. he spent most of the Day trying to swap land but Did not yet succeed but suppose he will soon. Mary Hick and David Yingling called a

short time.

May 7 Clear & cool. plenty of frost this morning. Bought some beef cost 18 cts per lb. looks like being a fine Day. Don Sharpnack &I worked at the Room up town. Edward Hughes came on to offbear and they got out 3400 Brick. all seems to be going right now. Peter planted Potatoes.

May 8 Clear & very pleasant this morning. got up early & put a handle in my foot Adz before breakfast. Daniel Sharpnack & I are still working at the room up Town. the hands are making brick. Rained some this afternoon. is very fine growing weather.

May 9 Cloudy & Dull. a little too cool for vegetation to grow well. Daniel & I finished the room up Town at least all that has to be Done at present. Bought a couple of gallons of Syrup cost 120 cts per gallon. cleared off about noon and is very pleasant.

May 10 Clear & fine. got up early and spaded some in garden. must make every edge cut. now we have so many things to Do. made a wheelbarrow and ironed it. am now ready to wheel in Brick. a little cloudy at sunsett but will not rain.

May 11 Clear & fine as can be. to Day we put up our Brick shed. got it up as nice as can well be. made no Brick to Day.

May 12 Clear & warm. want to plant one field of our corn to Day. got up early and got the hoes in order. put patent Dropper on two of them. Charles Grizzell got Old Billand a Plow to mark out his corn and took care of what Brick was Down.

May 13 Cloudy with a little rain last night. got up early strolled about the Farm until breakfast. attend church. rained most of the Day but moderately. cold at sunsett. Mr Ellis with Joel & Sarah McMillen spent an hour or two with us very agreeably.

May 14 Clear & very cold. very heavy frost. fruit must be injured. 3 of worked up Town. Peter plowed Brother Jacobs lot. want to plant some of it in Potatoes. too wet to make brick on our yard to Day. Bought 2 pairs of slippers.

May 15 Clear & cold. heavy frost this morning. made Brick to Day. I worked on the yard all Day. Bought 200 lb of Flour of Laverne Webb cost 7 Dollars per 100 lb.

May 16 Cloudy & cold. too cold to rain. put in all our brick that was Dry enough. settled with Benj Hawley. he paid me 38 32/100 Doll. gave me an order on Robt Hole for 33 Dollars we are now square. rained about noon.

May 17 Cloudy & cold. wrote a letter to Benj Gilbert. Peter hauled a load of Sand. I made it into mortar to Build a flue. made Brick to Day. getting along pretty well.

May 18 Clear & warm. attended the Brick layer. got the flue up. Peter hauled Sand.

Planted our late Potatoes. made brick.

May 19 Clear & warm all Day. worked hard on the Brick yard. Peter hauled Sand. Dave & him went home at 4 O'clock. settled with Meredith. owed him 41 Dollars gave him a check for the money.

May 20 Clear & warm. got up early took in one hack of Brick before breakfast. walked over the farm to see how things were getting along. rested until Toward evening when it threatened Rain. Put up all the Brick just in time to save them from getting wet. Austen Walker & Jo Harrison covered them as I hacked them up. had a fine shower.

May 21 Cloudy & cool. yard too wet to make brick. Dug clay and took in Brick all Day. Ed Hughes went home this evening after more help. too much work for me to Day. Peter Plowed Brother Jacobs lot to plant in corn.

May 22 Clear with considerable frost but not enough to injure apples much. Jacob McConner came on this morning to help us. he wheeled in Brick all Day. I hunted up stuff for another tempering tub. Peter worked on the Roads.

May 23 Clear & cool but no frost to hurt. got some stuff for a Tempering tub. Peter planted Jacobs lot. got along pretty well on the Brick yard. Lizzie Sheets called on us to Day. had her 8th Son with her. Sis took her over to Father Goulbourns this evening.

May 24 Clear & cool. some frost this morning. sett brick before breakfast. worked all Day on the yard. Peter hauled 4 loads of Sand from Hafleys. sand Bank costs a Dollar a load at the Bank. is beautiful Sand.

May 25 Clear and warm all Day. worked on the yard. Sis finished papering our sitting room. Peter planted white Beans & Broom corn Pumpkin seeds etc etc. made 4000 good Brick to Day.

May 26 Clear & quite warm to Day. Peter hauled Brick wood to Cris Kineman. the Ballance of us worked on the Brick yard. got along well. threatens Rain. got our Brick all in that was Dry enough.

May 27 Cloudy & Dull with a fine Rain last night. got up early and Strolled over the Farm. the corn is up very nice looks vigorous. slept some to Day. Amos Aspey spent a part of the Day with us. heavy rain accompanied with Hail about noon. Hail was large. cool and Disagreeable out Doors.

May 28 Cloudy & wet. cold north wind blowing. sett brick. Peter & Dave stuck up our bands. cold all Day. Bought Dried Apples at 18 cts per lb.

May 29 Cloudy & cool with more rain last night. 4 of us setting brick. Peter is hauling wood. several showers through the Day. cold wind very Disagreeable weather. snowed

a little at 3 O'clock PM.

May 30 Clear & Pleasant. 2 teams hauling wood to Day. some of us are hewing timber. some setting gate post. moving our great gate up close to the Ice house. got our timber all hewed. I hacked up some brick and covered them.

May 31 Cloudy. made Brick to Day. took in and sett all that would Do. in afternoon Jacob McConner & I split stone.

Jun 1 Cloudy with some rain last night. hauled stone & 3 logs the latter to make shingles. Dug foundation for curb Stone in front Door yard. made brick in afternoon. got all the work Done to Day that we wanted Done. Mother Goulbourn & Lizzie Sheets is with us. Paid Peter 20 Dollars.

Jun 2 Clear & beautiful. got up in good Season. mended 2 hoes for Mother Bennett took them home. Clouded up and threatened rain but none fell. collected a little money. Done but little work to Day am very tired. Peter went to Alliance at 5 O'clock.

Jun 3 Cloudy but very pleasant. got up in good season. took a walk over the farm Oats are very short. after breakfast wrote a letter to Geo Hise of Iowa. walked Down to Sam Sharpnacks from there to Father Goulbourns where I met Margaret according to appointment. Brot Lizzie Sheets home with us. had a tremendous Rain the hardest we have had for at least one year.

Jun 4 Cloudy & very wet we now have lots of water. graded Down the end of our lane and made a good stone Gutter across it. Lizzie Sheets Started home at 11 O'clock. Margaret went as far as Alliance with her. took little Nora along. Cloudy at sunsett. got our Brick all hacked up and covered. a great many of them are washed badly.

Jun 5 Cloudy with a little rain. we all fenced in a small patch (one acre) to sow in Buckwheat. pried out 15 stumps piled them up ready to burn. made 2000 Brick this afternoon ready for another Rain. went to the Depot met Margaret & Nora at 6 O'clock.

Jun 6 Cloudy & wet with more rain last night. is too wet to make brick. sett what we had Dry and fixed up our Kiln well. Pete worked our early Potatoes.

Jun 7 Cloudy & Dull but too cool to Rain. made brick. Sold Nathan Baugher 340 feet of Boards. he Paid me for them 4 20/100 Doll. Peter hauled a couple of loads of Manure from town. I Dug some clay & took care of some bric

Jun 8 Clear & warm. Peter hauled wood in forenoon. in afternoon commenced working our corn. made Brick to Day got along well. Bought a 1/4 of mutton cost 16 cts per lb. Sold Daniel H Sharpnack Boards to make a Tool chest. he stuck them up overhead in the Shop. got a line from Brother Jacob Saying they would be to Salem this evening.

Jun 9 Clear or partially so. Bought some beef this morning cost 16 cts per lb. made a Days work of Brick. got all up that was Dry enough. worked too hard. Just after Diner it threatened rain but none fell. spent a portion of the afternoon in Town. Abram Grenawalt paid me 44 75/100 Doll a Ballance he owed me for brick Sold him 5 or 6 years since. I Paid a bill for gas fixtures 22 78/100 Doll. talked with Mr Gordon until about Sunsett. I had not Saw him for some time and we had considerable to Say.

Jun 10 Clear & warm. fine growing weather as can well be. got up in good season. felt refreshed and rested with my nights repose. walked out to Don Hafleys and got our Saw. Drove home without any trouble. found Brother Jacob and his family here. arrived on the midnight train last night.

Jun 11 Clear & fine weather as can be. took in and sett Brick all Day. made 4000 Do. Peter is working corn and Potatoes.

Jun 12 Clear & warm. went to Lisbon and Paid my Tax 42 70/100 Doll. got back about 1 O'clock. found I had to go right to putting up Brick as it threatened Rain. Just got them up in time got them all covered that was Dry enough to hack up. but few Down to get wet. fine growing weather as can be.

Jun 13 Cloudy But warm. fine weather. made no Brick to Day. the offbearer went home to hoe his Potatoes. I sett Brick all Day. the other two Dug clay. no Rain to Day.

Jun 14 Clear & warm. got up early I offbore 1004 Brick before breakfast to help along as I am anxious to get Done as soon as Possible. they got out 5814 Brick by 6 O'clock which is a great Days work. Jacob McConner & I took in and sett about 7000 all that was Dry enough. Peter has the corn all worked the 2nd time. he puts it through.

Jun 15 Clear & a little cloudy at intervals. made some of our Lane fence to Day. I took care of the Brick. made 4000.

Jun 16 Clear & warm. sett Brick. Peter & Jacob hauled stone and stumps off of a field we want to sow in wheat. got all the Brick up that is made. looks some like Rain in afternoon.

Jun 17 Cloudy and looks like Rain. got up early. went out to Israel Shreeves to Buy a Bull but could not get him. took Breakfast with him. came Directly home found our folks eating Breakfast. sett Down & eat a little. commenced Raining about 8 O'clock and was wet all Day.

Jun 18 Cloudy & wet. rained all Day. spoiled about all the Brick we have out (12000). had to prop our shed wind blowed it over considerable but we got it upright again. hauled some shingles up to town to cover the house on Main Street.

Jun 19 Cloudy & Wet. cold and very Disagreeable out of Doors. can Do but little to

Day. Peter is Plowing sod ground. Thomas Heaton hauled the Ballance of our shingles. I Done but little work to Day. Brother Jacob is working away at his house in order to get moved in it. cleared off and looks as if the Rain was over. a great many sheep has Perished from exposure to the cold Rain that fell sunday & Monday. some I have heard of loosing as high as 40 head.

Jun 20 Clear & fine this morning. sett Brick and put up casing until noon. in afternoon we made 2000 Brick. got most of our spoiled Brick off the yard. lost some corn By the Rain.

Jun 21 Cloudy but cleared off in afternoon. made 4000 Brick to Day. Dave & I took in and sett Brik. Peter finished the Plowing to Day.

Jun 22 Cloudy & wet this morning. commenced a ladder one that I have wanted made for the last 7 years. sawed the sides when I had my sawmill in 1858. Peter hauled Sand until noon. in afternoon we made Brick. I rode "Old Bill" over to Widow Callahans and Bought a Bull for which I am to Pay her 40 Dollars. left "Old Bill" with Yerkes Howel to try him. he wants to buy him. came home across country on foot.

Jun 23 Clear & warm. Peter & Dave brot our Bull home. sent the money by Peter to pay for him. Bought 95 lb of canvassed hams for which I Paid 26 cts per lb 24 70/100 came to. took in all the Brick that would Do. rained and blowed very hard about 1/2 past 6 O'clock PM. got all the Brick up that was Dry enough. Bill Mercer helped us.

Jun 24 Clear at sunrise. Margaret & I both attended church. Parker Pillsbury Preached a very radical Discourse. ground is very wet from the excessive rains that fell last night.

Jun 25 Clear & very warm. Peter sheared our Brick after which he offbore Bricks. Edward Hughes having gone home with some Friends who came to visit him. I sett Brick in afternoon. took supper at Joels with Parker Pillsbury Marius Robinson & others. hacked up some Brick by moonlight.

Jun 26 Clear & warm. made 4000 Brick. got in a few and sett them. about 4 O'clock threatened Rain. at 6 rained and Blowed hard played hell on the Brickyard as usual. got all up we could but it Blowed so hard the wet penetrated the hacks. John W Thomas Paid me 124 Dollars all that is Due from him now. Paid taxes.

Jun 27 Clear & sunrise and much cooler than has been for several Days. hope the Rain is now over. want to finish our Brick making and get at something else. made no Brick to Day. clouded up and looks like raining at noon. Paid off Ed Hughes. my offbearer not intendding to make any more brick but before night altered my mind. hired another hand and will try it again. Peter & I Plowed up the lane going to cart the Dirt out opposite the Barn to keep the water from running across. attended the Festival of the Broad Gauge. had a very Pleasant time. came home about ten O'clock. Rained a very little.

Jun 28 Cloudy & cool. made 4000 Brick. Peter helped me this afternoon take in & sett Brick. looks some like raining but is too cool. made 4000 Brick.

Jun 29 Cloudy & cool with Fost sufficient to write my name in on the Boards at the Brick yard. made 4000 Brick. took and sett all that was Dry enough. 2000 more will finish the Kiln. threatened rain in afternoon but none fell here.

Jun 30 Clear & warm at sunrise. got up early & Dug clay enough to finish our brick. I tempered until noon when we finished supposing we have enough (122000) all told. hacked them all up and covered them so that they are now safe. Paid Dave 10 Dollars.

Jul 1 Clear and Pleasant. uncovered my Brick. attended meeting. took little Nora but she got tired before meeting was out. Margaret & I took Diner with Brother Jacob.

Jul 2 Clear & warm. prepared the ground & sett out some of our Pepper plants. sett Brick. Peter & Dave made fence.

Jul 3 Clear & warm. worked corn. sowed Buckwheat. finished setting our Kiln and got it nearly cased up. shall have to make a little more casing. looks like rain at Dark.

Jul 4 Cloudy & wet. considerable rain last night. we had intended to have had a Family Pic Nic but it is too wet. I walked out to John Gordons. spent a good Portion of the Day with him. from there I went Down to Yerkes Howels to see him about Buying my Horse but we Did not Deal. I left the Horse with him as I have no Particular use for him at Present. got home about Dusk found all well.

Jul 5 Clear at sunrise but is cloudy in the west. got up in good Season. went up town before breakfast to See Geo Martin & show him what I wanted Done up Town. he is going to Do it for me (Shingle my House).

Jul 6 Clear and cloudy at intervals. smeared our Kiln on at least what we had cased. hacked up our casing as it threatened rain towards night. Peter & Dave are working the corn. very warm.

Jul 7 Cloudy and very warm. cased our Kiln. throwed up the abutments and got it all ready to fire but am too tired to fire it to Day. will take a good nights rest first.

Jul 8 Cloudy & Dull. got up early and Kindled fire in my Kiln. Margaret & I attended church. had a Business meeting that was quite Protracted.

Jul 9 Cloudy & wet with rain last night. I attended the Kiln myself. Richard Ramsden came over to get me to make him a shovel Plow. I Done so got it Done but noon. he gets Jesse to iron it. Margaret is poorly has a bowel complaint. sent for Doc Rush at sunsett.

Jul 10 Clear & warm. our Kiln is Doing well as can be expected under the circumstances.

is not in good condition to Burn. has been Rained on too much since it was sett. Peter & Dave are working corn.

Jul 11 Clear & very warm. Kiln is Doing well. Margaret is some better but is yet quite poorly. sun shone hot all Day.

Jul 12 Clear & warm. Kiln is nearly Done as well as myself. I have not been off Duty since Sunday morning. Margaret is vey unwell all Day.

Jul 13 Clear and very warm. shut up our Kiln up at 5 O'clock PM. think itis well burned am very glad it is Done for Margaret is so sick she needs my constant attention. sent a letter to Mary Hick asking her to come and take care of her. hope she can come.

Jul 14 Clear & very warm. Margaret seems a little better to Day. I spent a few minutes in Town Doing schores. the Ballance of the time I put in at the Bedside Doing what I could to make Margaret comfortable. Peter & Dave hav gone Down to Alexander. went to the Depot at 6 O'clock had the unspeakable Joy to meeting Mary Hick. she came Directly out while I went to Robt Holes and Bought a spring bottom for our Bedstead. carried it out on my shoulders. made a heavy load by the time I got it home.

Jul 15 Clear & warm. Margaret rested quite well last night. I attended her since 1 O'clock am. after breakfast I took "Old Mike" and little wagon little Nora going with me. we went to Depot and brot Marys trunk. Nora was much interested in what she saw. came home Down Main Street. Mary Gee is here with Nora.

Jul 16 Clear & warm. Peter & Dave is grading the lane. Heaton & I opened the Kiln & hauled a few Brick. they appear to be well burned. Margaret is getting better slow but we think sure. Bricklayers commenced Chessmans house to Day,

Jul 17 Clear & very warm. Peter & Heaton is cutting our wheat. Dave & I hauled Brick. threatened rain but none fell. Margaret is still improving.

Jul 18 Clear & some cloudy at intervals. three of the Boys are cutting our rye. Edwin Hise is helping me haul Brick. Peter went Down home last evening & this morning he returned bringing his mare to work with sunshine to haul Brick.

Jul 19 Cloudy with some rain last night. all hands hauled Brick until noon. in afternoon Peter and I went up to the Buckeye and brot home a mowing machine that I Bought of them for 112 Dollars. mowed a little with it.

Jul 20 Cloudy & wet. rained hard just before Daylight. mended harness and Done schores. to wet to work out of Doors at anything. rained most of the Day. Mrs Post Paid me 15 Doll on account. Margaret is still getting better but is very weak.

Jul 21 Cloudy with Prospects of more rain. all hands hauled Brick until noon. heavy rain

at 1 O'clock with hard northwest wind. blew the corn Down considerable. pried up the corner of our wagon shed and quit for the Day. is too wet to Do anything out of Doors.

Jul 22 Cloudy & Dull. spent most of the Day by Margarets bed side. she is still very weak but is slowly recovering her Strength. Barcley Gilbert and Mary (his wife) called out and spent the evening with us very pleasantly. no rain to Day.

Jul 23 Cloudy & warm at sunrise but rained none through the Day. mowed Down the Ballance of our Barn meadow and got it in all Dry & in the Barn. as good hay as can be. Margaret is still mending very slow.

Jul 24 Clear with prospects of another good hay Day. mowed Down another meadow and hauled in one load. the Ballance is all raked up redy to haul. weather as fine as can well be.

Jul 25 Clear & pleasant. cut Down about all of another meadow. hauled in all the afternoon but Did not get all in. as fine hay Day as can be. getting along fast enough.

Jul 26 Clear & pleasant as can well be. Margaret is still gaining strength but very slow. bought a little beef this morning. are getting along well getting in hay. sent a letter to Bro George of Iowa. Joel McMillen has our mowing machine this afternoon.

Jul 27 Clear & Delightful. was cloudy through the night. the Boys finished mowing our swamp meadow by hand. I repaired the mowing machine that had got a little of fix. got in all the Hay that is Dry. weather very warm.

Jul 28 Clear & warm. got up early. bought some beef. read the newspaper until breakfast time. Margaret is hungry for the first time. Mary is feeding her as I write. got in one laod of hay one load of Rye and cradled our Timothy seed. Peter went home this evening.

Jul 29 Clear & warm. got up early. took Mary Hick up to Whinneys to get a tooth Drawn. she suffered very much all night with it. Whinney soon relieved it. Uncle Silas Howel came home with us from Town. stayed to breakfast. went Down to Brother Jacobs. I repaired our carriage that had got some out of fix. spent the Ballance of the Day with Margaret who is yet very weak. Father & Mother Goulbourn with Aunt Kitty are here good part of the Day so that we are having a comfortable time.

Jul 30 Clear in east but some little indications of rain in the west. the Men commenced cutting our Oats. 2 cradling & 1 reping the Down spots. in afternoon Peter & I hauled brick to Chessman. had a small shower of Rain about 10 O'clock. Margaret ate a little morsel of Squirrel meat to Day. Said it tasted good. her appetite is good and returning. cooler toward evening.

Jul 31 Clear & cool to Day. I want to go and see a Brick machine that is working over at

Mahoning town Lawrence Co Pa. left at 7 O'clock arrived at Homewood about 11 O'clock. waited until 1 O'clock got on a Freight train and got up to Mahoning town about 1/2 past 2 O'clock. went over to the Brickyard (which was not in opperation) no one there but I could see the machine and the Brick it made. I Did not like the Brick it made. I Did not like the Brick would not Buy such a machine at any price. at 4 O'clock returned to Homewood met with Timothy White on the Cars. had to wait at Homewood until August 1st at 9 O'clock. put up at the Johnson House where I found very well. got up early. walked Down the Rail amused myself picking and eating Black berries. after breakfast went Down to a stone quarry. had a talk with one of the foremen about a paving stone I want to get 19 feet long 9 feet wide and thick enough to carry without Breaking. he thought he could get it but could not say at what price until he saw and talked with his Partner. on my back met another Man who told of a better chance to get it out of a grindstone quarry on the opposite Side of the River. left a note at the Hotel for the Propietor (John Bale). left for home at 9 O'clock where I arrived 1/2 past 10. commenced raining about the time we landed. Robt Justice Paid me the rent on Chrystal pallace (12 1/2 Doll). I called and Paid Moneton (agt Home Insurance NY) 16 Dollars for insurance Policy on our Homestead, found things at home much as I had left them. in afternoon we fenced up our meadow & ground Scythes ready for mowing on the morrow.

Aug 2 Cloudy but the Rain is over. mowed until noon when we took up and hauled in Oats. cocked up our Hay etc etc. Florine Johnson arrived at noon she came from Zoar. cool and comfortable all Day. Margaret got a little Backsett is not so well to Day as has been.

Aug 3 Clear & warm. Richard Ramsden called before breakfast and chatted awhile. Margaret seems a little better this morning. worked all Day at our Oats. got in 3 large loads. left one out that is Bound up. George Johnson Florines Husband arrived to Day. He lives in Pittsburgh.

Aug 4 Cloudy cold & wet. rained and blowed considerable through the night. can Harvest none to Day. made more room in the Barn for Oats. Split and hauled Rails cut gate Posts etc etc. cleared off this afternoon. Margaret is perceptibly better.

Aug 5 Clear & cool. I sett up our Oats that it may Dry by tomorrow. when in it must come. spent the Day at home. Marius Robinson called to see Margaret. she is yet too weak to sit up.

Aug 6 Clear & warm. made a few Horsenails before breakfast. Bound up and got in the Ballance of our Oats and grass seed. Margaret gets well very slow.

Aug 7 Cloudy but with little prospects of Rain. finished mowing our grass. got it all cocked up. I spent the Day in Town. David Painter an Old Resident Died last night.

Aug 8 Cloudy & Pleasant. got our Hay stacked up it made a large stack. commenced raining just as we were topping it out. we were glad to get it Done. we are now Done all

our Harvesting and am glad of it.

Aug 9 Cloudy & wet. rained moderately most of the night. Margaret is very poorly this morning. the Boys threshed 18 Doz of Oats got 27 1/2 Bushels. I shod 2 of the Horses. cleared off in afternoon. Margaret is better.

Aug 10 Clear & pleasant. 2 teams hauled wood for Cris Kineman. Thomas Heaton & I commenced operations at the Tyle Kiln. will have a good Deal of work before we can make any Tyle.

Aug 11 Clear & warm. got up early went up town. Bought a little Beef. heard that Geo Sheets expired last evening at 3/4 past 8 O'clock. he will be much missed. was a good citizen and a useful Man. Tom & I put up 50 feet of our Tyle shed. 2 teams hauled wood for Cris Kineman.

Aug 12 Cloudy & wet. rained considerable this forenoon. mended my Stove. attended the Funeral of Geo Sheets a large one. he was Burried By the Odd Fellows they formed a large procession. Margaret is 45 years old to Day.

Aug 13 Cloudy & wet. Rained all morning but towards noon slacked up and we went & brot in 9 shed forks by noon. in afternoon we worked at our sheds again. Alfred Sheets and Mrs Elizabeth Chub called to see Margaret. she is now getting well.

Aug 14 Cloudy & Dull with some more rain last night. 2 teams hauled wood. Tom & I worked at the shed getting along well. Paid Mary Hick 12 Dollars for 4 weeks nursing Margaret. she is a faithful girl and I love her for her faithfulness.

Aug 15 Clear & cool with wind in north. think the rain is now over for the present. some hauled wood some worked at the Tyle Machine. Margaret is improving still. made some fence.

Aug 16 Clear & cool. one team hauled Brick until noon. both hauled wood. in afternoon Tom & I worked at the Tyle works. Mother Hise is here to Day. she is 74 years old to Day.

Aug 17 Clear & cool. commenced hauling out Dung. moving fences. I cut some Briars and Done schores. Mother Hise is Poorly this morning will go up Town to her own home. Peter took her up in the Carriage. Nora & Sis went with them.

Aug 18 Clear & cool. hauled Brick. hauled manure & I worked at Tyle works until noon. nothing Doing this afternoon. Peter & Dave went Down to New Alexander. I sett about Town all the afternoon. a great many folks in Town to Day. got a letter from Alfred Sheets.

Aug 19 Clear & wet. got up early. Brother Jacob & I walked Down to Lizzie Howles

woods hunting saw logs. found 2 that will just suit him. Raining all Day thus far (10 O'clock) Jesse Strawn (an old school mate) called this afternoon. is going to stop all night with us. am glad to see him have not saw him for 25 years before.

Aug 20 Clear & cloudy at intervals through the Day. spent the forenoon with my Friend Strawn. he took the western Train at 11 O'clock. the afternoon I spent at Home. Parker Pillsbury spent a couple of hours with us very Pleasantly. at 6 O'clock Lizzie Goucher & her husband carrived from Alliance. Geo Gordon called a few minutes so that we were not lonesome to Day. Margaret is mending now permanently. a slight shower of Rain about Dusk.

Aug 21 Cloudy at sunrise. sold 2 year Old white heifer for 40 Dollars. went Down to Joseph Zimmermans old Farm to see a cow that was for Sale but could not buy her. very heavy Rain commenced about 5 O'clock. a great amount of water fell.

Aug 22 Clear at sunrise at least in the east. I spent most of the Day in Town. settled with Hamilton Howel. looked at some sheep etc etc.

Aug 23 Cloudy & cool. hauled in a stick of timber to hew. Peter hauled Dung from town. rained at noon. threshed Oats in afternoon. Charles Hoiles of Illinois called and took supper with us but could not stay all night.

Aug 24 Cloudy & clear at intervals. hauled Brick manure etc. I Done but little to Day except to write a letter to the Patent Solicitor D P Holloway.

Aug 25 Clear & cool at sunrise. am cutting Down our cherry trees. they are of no account anymore. Dug a foundation for Smoke house. hauled our Tyle machine Down to the works and sett it up. Budd Forker Paid me 71 26/100 Doll all he owes me.

Aug 26 Clear & cool. we are having vey cool weather for August. J F Dickinson & his Daughter Harriet Anne visited us to Day. was very glad to see them. I stayed close to home all Day. Margaret is getting well fast.

Aug 27 Clear & pleasant. Geo Martin came on to help us build our Tyle Shed got along well. Peter hauled lumber & Brick. 2 of the Boys mowed the weeds all Down in the Orchard and piled them around the Trees. hauled 3 posts to hew.

Aug 28 Cloudy & wet. rained considerable last night. hauled 3 more Posts. formed the rafters under the shed. the Boys hauled Brick & lumber.

Aug 29 Cloudy & very foggy but cleared off by 8 O'clock. at noon threatens rain and soon after noon it commenced and rained very heavy. waters are high. I Done a little work at my Tyle works. the Boys threshed grass seed.

Aug 30 Clear at Daylight. Bought some beef. worked what we could at our Tyle works.

is too wet to Do much. Peter hauled some wood.

Aug 31 Clear in east but looks like raining. graded and put up some shed. Peter hauled wood. Bought a new stove for Sitting Room cost 17 Dollars. no rain to Day and is much warmer.

Sep 1 Cloudy & threatens rain. Bought Beef as usual. warm & sultry this morning. helped Peter haul Brick in forenoon. in afternoon he hauled 2 loads of manure. Rained considerable. Levi Dole Died.

Sep 2 Clear and cloudy at intervals. took Margaret up to Brother Jesses. took Mother Hise Down to Sister Unos to see how she was getting along after her severe fall. she is about again but has a bad looking bruse on her temple.

Sep 3 Cloudy with thunder in the Distance. Peter & Dave is hauling manure. Tom & I worked what we could at the Tyle works but so wet we can Do but little to advantage. we are having so much wet weather it must be sickly. little Nora is unwell.

Sep 4 Clear at sunrise. little Nora has a bowel complaint this morning. she rested but poorly all night. all hands went over to Arthur Haydens. cut and hauled in 9 lin logs for lath and 1 of Hickory for axletrees for Tyle cars. Levi Dole Burried to Day. Salem has lost another one of its useful Citizens.

Sep 5 Cloudy & Dull. 3 of us worked at the Tyle shed. got it all up and considerable of it covered. Peter Done schores and let our Big team rest they worked so hard on yesterday. sun sett clear. Margaret is not quite so well to Day but thinks it will not last.

Sep 6 Clear & cool. worked at the Tyle Kiln in forenoon. hauled Brick in afternoon. Peter plowing wheat ground.

Sep 7 Cloudy & wet. Rained all Day. is too wet to Do anything out of Doors. the Boys tore Down some of our Tyle Kiln that will have to be rebuilt.

Sep 8 Cloudy & Dull. loaded Brick for Abram Painter. he is hauling 5000 hard ones for a cellar. Bought the Rails around the Union School Hosue. Paid 25 Dollars cash for the lot. said to be about 12 hundred.

Sep 9 Clear & cool. looks now as though we might have fine weather. Uncle Silas Howel called before we were up stayed and got breakfast. I went to church to Day. made Nora a pump. Margaret was Down to Brother Jacobs a a few minutes.
the children pulled her Down in the Buggy. is some cloudy but Does not look like rain at 4 O'clock PM.

Sep 10 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up & threatens Rain. Peter hauled Brick & Rails. Dave helped him in afternoon. Tom & I worked at the Tyle shed.

Sep 11 Cloudy & wet. rained all night from appearances this morning. when will we get our wheat sowed "echo answers when". the last 3 years has been just such weather. too wet to plow or Sow. Peter & Dave is hauling rails. Tom &I worked at the Tyle shed.

Sep 12 Cloudy & wet with lots of rain last night. Peter & Dave hauled Rails got Done. Tom & I are still working away at the Tyle works. got the shed Done and commenced making Rail Road. I am 53 years old to Day. clear and cool at Sunsett.

Sep 13 Clear & fine whis morning but ground is too wet to Plow. both teams hauled lumber & Old Plank. Tom & I worked at the Tyle works. clouded up before night.

Sep 14 Cloudy & raining. ground very wet. Dont know what way to turn this morning. have a great mind to pay off 2 hands and quit for this fall. I see no prospect of getting anything Done. turned the axles for my cars.

Sep 15 Clear & cool with a little frost. Peter went to Washingtonville and brot up some coal. Dave hauled Old Plank. in afternoon they Plowed & harrowed at the wheat ground. want to sow it tomorrow. Peter went to Alliance.

Sep 16 Clear & cloudy at intervals. went over to Allen Boyles and brot our seed wheat. But Peter missed the Train at Alliance and Did not Down as the intended to sow the wheat. I am now affraid it will rain before we get it in. I Blacksmithed a little.

Sep 17 Cloudy with every indication of rain. Peter got home this morning & he & I went at the wheat. got it in harrowed both ways against noon. Rained hard all the afternoon. is now to wet to Do anything out of Doors. I worked in shop all the afternoon. am tired at 6 O'clock. Paid Dave Connally off 40.50.

Sep 18 Cloudy & wet. Bought some beef. Soldiers convention to Day But it is so wet it will not amount to much. Rained all Day & at times hard. waters is high. a vast amount of water has fallen in the last 24 hours. worked under the Tyle shed all Day.

Sep 19 Cloudy & wet. rained all night. more water on the ground this morning than I have seen for the last 12 months and it is still raining at 7 O'clock AM. worked at our Cars for Drying tyle. lent Nathan Chesnut one hundred Dollars.

Sep 20 Cloudy & wet. rained more or less all Day. worked at our Cars. Nathan Chesnut Paid me back the money loaned him on yesterday. worked up all our lumber. must go over to the Sawmill & get more logs as soon as it gets Dry enough.

Sep 21 Cloudy & wet with lots of rain last night. Peter & Thomas threshed our Rye 10 & 3/4 bushels. I worked at the Tyle works am nearly Done.

Sep 22 Clear & cool. no Rain to Day. hauled a couple of loads of Brick. Bought 1

Barrel of Salt cost 3 30/100 Doll. turned some Rollers for Tyle machine. Paid Lizzie 7 Dollars. she has gone Down to New Alexander to Stay one month.

Sep 23 Clear & cool. fine Day. made a pair of ____ for our Carriage. Stuck close to home all Day. some young folks here in the evening.

Sep 24 Clear & Pleasant. all hands went over to Arthur Haydens & cut hauled 11 saw logs & split 61 rails. Brot a plank home with us & put it in Plank walk. Cloudy at Dark.

Sep 25 Cloudy & threatens rain. cut a stick for a sweep & hauled it home. Rained hard while we were out. took shelter in Sharps Saw mill. Peter & Thomas threshed Oats. I made the sweep. I went up to Depot and waited for the night express until 11 25. wanted to see Joseph Ball of Iowa who was to come on it but he Did not come. rained hard all night.

Sep 26 Cloudy & wet with high water. settled with Thomas Heaton owed him 114 90/100 Doll. gave him my Due Bill for one hundred Dollars. Paid him the Ballance. Peter & I Blacksmithed.

Sep 27 Clear & Beautiful. worked in shop. Peter Dug some of our Potatoes in forenoon. in afternoon attended the Republican meeting. Gov Cox spoke. quite a good many attended. all Passed of quiet. Brother Jacob Started for Louisville on the 5 O'clock PM Train.

Sep 28 Clear & Pleasant. Blacksmithed all Day. Peter Dug Potatoes.

Sep 29 Clear & warm. worked in shop most of the Day. got the iron work of the Tyle machine about Done. Put on the grinding Blades this afternoon. a little cloudy this afternoon. (sowed one land of wheat).

Sep 30 Clear & Pleasant. got up early. walked over to the woods. saw our hogs. they are Doing well on the mass. worked in forenoon at my Tyle works. in afternoon walked out to James England to see a calf I want to Buy for a match for one I have. got back in good time. Margaret Sis & Nora were all Down to Aunt Unos. got back all Safe.

Oct 1 Clear & Delightful. Peter & Bill Mercer commenced cutting our corn. it is now well ripened. I worked at the Tyle machine. the Task seems endless but I will Persevere to the end.

Oct 2 Clear & fine. Peter & Bill are cutting corn. I am still working at the Tyle Kiln. some indications of Rain to Day but none fell. we may now have Dry wether.

Oct 3 Cloudy & cold with wind in north. the Boys finished cutting our field of corn. I worked at the everlasting Tyle Kiln. Zadok Street called on me to sett one up for him but if I sett my own I will be Satisfied. went this evening to see the Bohemian glass blowing

but Ill be blowed if I think it was worth the time it takes to look at it. cold at sundown.

Oct 4 Cloudy & much warmer this morning. no frost. got up early and hunted up my hogs. they are still Doing well in the woods. the Boys are cutting up corn. in afternoon I made fence.

Oct 5 Clear & cold. heavy frost. the Boys cut up Jacob Hises corn. I Built cars at the Tyle works. sun shone Pleasant all Day.

Oct 6 Clear & cool with a little frost. Settled with Chesnut & Barcus for Brick yard rent they owed (and Paid me) 221 Dollars. Nathan Chesnut also Paid his cow Pasture (10 Dollars). Built one car in forenoon. in afternoon attended a meeting of the Congregational Joint Stock Company but no quorum being present we could Do nothing. Paid Samuel Chessman 937 Doll lifted 2 of my notes. one had a month to run but I could take it up and stop interest and that is what I always aim to Do. all Salem is indignant at the Removal of our Post Master Jesse Webb. Don Lupton has the appointment. I am ashamed of him. 4 weeks ago he was (or pretended to be) very Radical. turned round and eat Andy Johnson Dirt for the Sake of a filthy office for a couple of years at furthest. the way he will have to get out of that when the time comes will be a caution.

Oct 7 Clear & warm. attended Broad Gauge and a business meeting in afternoon after which Margaret & I went out to Mr Gordons. it Does Margaret good to ride out. we all took Diner at Jacob Hises.

Oct 8 Clear & very warm. worked at the Tyle works. one new very nearly ready to make some. John McCally came out to see our little mare we have for Sale wants to buy her. Bill Mercer filled our Soak pit ready to work into tyles.

Oct 9 Clear & warm. worked about the Tyle works. to Day we vote for Congressmen in Ohio. a full vote will be polled. clouded up and rained in afternoon. heavy thunder south of us.

Oct 10 Cloudy & wet. rained most of the night. shod all 3 of our horses in forenoon. in afternoon hauled some Brick. roads are muddy. Election went all right.

Oct 11 Cloudy & wet. Bill Mercer is away to a wedding to Day. I helped Peter haul 2 loads of Brick. in the afternoon it was too wet. we tried our Tyle machine it Done well.

Oct 12 Cloudy & Dull but no rain. Bill & Peter hauled brick. I worked at Tyle Machine. Lizzie Weisse took Diner with us.

Oct 13 Cloudy & cooler. Peter & Bill Dug potatoes until noon. Peter went home in afternoon. I worked at the Tyle works. got them nearly complete. ran out a few as good ones as can be. Paid Peter 25 Doll. Samuel Stratton paid me 45 Dollars for Brick.

Oct 14 Cloudy at sunrise but by 10 O'clock is cleared off & is as fine as can be. made a ladder off of which to pick apples. Done some work on the Tyle machine that was not Done right at first. Margaret attended church for first time since she had the Fever. I made a small model R Road with an improved switch that I am getting up.

Oct 15 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. Bill Mercer & I put in Gas Pipe at the Crystal Palace. Peter finished Digging Potatoes. got a letter from Ira Hunt of Monroe City Michigan. wrote an answer this evening.

Oct 16 Clear & warm. we hauled in and threshed our Buckwheat. have a good turn out. Margaret is visiting Down at Joels this afternoon.

Oct 17 Clear & most Delightful weather. the Boys put our buckwheat away (25 bushels) & in afternoon commenced Picking apples. I worked up Town Putting water into Crystal Palace. Did not get it quite Done. Boys are picking apples.

Oct 18 Clear & warm. finished putting in the water. cost 15 Dollars besides my own work. the Boys got our apples all in the cellar about 60 Bushels. Edwin Hise Started for Louisville at 5 O'clock PM.

Oct 19 Clear & warm. Bill Mercer & I worked at the Tyle works. got very nearly Done. one more Day will make us good ready to make Tyle. Peter is gathering apples for cider. we think of going to Alliance on the Morrow. a little cloudy this afternoon with wind in Southwest.

Oct 20 Clear & beautiful. Margaret & I met Mr Gordon at 7 O'clock. got into their Carriage and went to Alliance. found Doctor Goucher & Lady both well. had a very agreeable visit. looked the place over pretty well. it has grown very much since I saw it last. got to see an Adamontine Brick Machine at work. I would not give for one what they must cost. they are an expensive Machine. started home at sundown arrived about 8 O'clock PM. found all well.

Oct 21 Clear & pleasant. stuck close to home to Day. looked over the farm a little. about all I Done. Strolled around a little toward evening. Joel & Sarah spent the evening with us.

Oct 22 Cloudy but little indications of Rain. made a couple of barrels of cider. got home at noon. in afternoon the Boys hauled brick & I worked at the Tyle machine. got it about Done at last.

Oct 23 Clear & a little cooler. the Boys hauled Brick until noon. in afternoon Peter Boiled cider & Bill & I made Tyle. machine works well. our cutting opperation is not quite right. I can improve it a little when I think all will be complete. quite windy & colder at sunsett.

Oct 24 Cloudy & cool. I made a new cutter for our Tyle machine or at least I worked at it most of the Day. Mr Gordon took Diner with us. I Bought 5 gallons of Sorgum of him cost 6 Dollars. Paid him for it.

Oct 25 Cloudy & cold. snowed a little. Peter is now helping make apple butter. Bill Mercer & I are making Tyle getting along well. our machine makes as good Tyle as can be but Does not make them as fast as I expected. Margret & Mary Hick went up to her Social Entertainment in aid of Broad Gauge. I was too weary and went to bed.

Oct 26 Cloudy & wet. rained a little through the Day. made Tyle got along well. cool & Disagreeable. Peter boiled cider.

Oct 27 Cloudy & cool but warmer than yesterday. made tile. Peter gathered cider apples. Do not make as many tile as I expected we could. Mary Hick went home this afternoon. David Yingling took her in a Buggy.

Oct 28 Clear & Pleasant. spent the Day at home resting myself. John Deming called and took a cup of coffee with us. Pleasant all Day. Mary Hick returned in evening.

Oct 29 Cloudy & wet. got up at Day break. it had then only just began to Drizzle rain. went before it was light enough to see over in Sharps woods to hunt my hogs. found them all right. Bill & Peter worked all Day in the Tyle Kiln. I made Patterns for 3 inch Dye for making that sized Tyle. rained all Day.

Oct 30 Cloudy & cold. emptied out Tyle Machine for fear it would freeze up. I Done but little except to settle with one or two. the Boys made a Barrel of cider this afternoon. cold all Day. snowed some but melted.

Oct 31 Cloudy & cold. ground froze this morning. all hands working in the Tyle Kiln. wind blowed very raw & cold. I Done but little to Day except to toward a little clearing out the Kiln.

Nov 1 Cloudy & Dull. considerable wind. Peter hauled up some wood. Bill & I worked at the Kiln.

Nov 2 Cloudy & cold. Peter made Apple Butter. Bill & I worked at the Kiln. got it nearly Done.

Nov 3 Cloudy & warmer. the Boys commenced husking corn but it soon commenced to rain and they got in but little. I spent the Day in Town Doing but little.

Nov 4 Cloudy & warm. brot our Hogs home and shut them up. they are now pretty fat. attended Broad gauge after which I walked over to see Richard Ramsden who is just now very unwell but is some better to Day. the air appears to be full of snow.

Nov 5 Clear & cold. ground frozen this morning. the Boys are husking corn. I spent the Day in Town. Bought a ____ at Ann Painters Sale. tried to have some stone cut but could not. the cutters are all too busy.

Nov 6 Clear & cool. walked out to John Gordons to see him. he got a fall the other Day which hurt him considerable but he had got so well as to be in Town so I missed seeing him. made fence in afternoon. weather as fine as one can ask. Paid my Tax and saved a trip to Lisbon.

Nov 7 Clear & pleasant. I took our young Sow out to Don Hafleys. took me about all Day. the Boys are husking corn. engaged a Barrel of Cider of Wm Fisher.

Nov 8 Clear with some indications of Rain. I worked up at the Tyle works until noon. got everything ready for winter. in afternoon went and brot our Hog home. settled with Jo Post. he paid me all of his mothers acct 11 90/100.

Nov 9 Cloudy & warm. we are now having our Indian Sumer. the Boys are still husking corn. I have Done but little to Day except to put wire over our cellar windows to keep the Rats & Cats out.

Nov 10 Cloudy & threatens Rain. I took a couple of Bushels of Buckwheat to mill. Done but little else to Day. commenced to rain before sunsett. attended a meeting of the Joint Stock Co of the Congregational Society at Joel McMillens Store. ceased raining at 7 O'clock.

Nov 11 Cloudy but pleasant. Joseph Ball (of Iowa called on us this morning. he and Margaret & I went over and spent the Day with Father & Mother Goulbourn. had a very pleasant visit. got home in good time.

Nov 12 Clear & fine. is quite as fine weather as one could expect this time of year. Joseph Ball his Wife & Daughter his Sister in law & Eli Fawcetts wife visited us to Day. had a good Sociable time. I went up Town with them and got our mail matters. little Nora has a severe cold is peevish in consequence.

Nov 13 Clear & cool with plenty of frost this morning. Nora is playing about as usual. Paid Mary Hick 12 Dollars. Collected some money. want to start up to Petroleum Centre in the morning.

Nov 14 Cloudy but pleasant. got up early & took the 5 O'clock Train to Alliance there took the Train for Ravenna took the Atlantic & G Western Road to Meadville. took Diner there and then started for Franklin & Oil City. arrived ther about 6 O'clock PM. took the cars there for Petroleum Centre arrived all right. it is Amazing to see the amount of gas that is Burning all over the face of the County. went with Jerry Gates to his Shantee and stopped over night with him.

Nov 15 Cloudy & wet. rained all Day. we could not look around much but after breakfast we went over to James McKinsters where I engaged Boarding. was so wet I sat in the house all Day.

Nov 16 Cloudy & colder. is snowing some this morning. wrote a line home went over to PO and mailed it. after looking around a little while concluded to go over to Pithole City. started and walked over Rattlesnake Mountain. arrived about noon. looked around for an Engine. soon found one for Sale and Bought it for 3 hundred Dollars. Put up at the Chase House a first class Hotel.

Nov 17 Cloudy but no rain to Day. after breakfast took the Cars for home. arrived at Warren (Trumbull County Ohio) at 1/2 past 3 PM. started for home on foot where I arrived all Safe at 11 O'clock PM. found all well.

Nov 18 Cloudy & pleasant. took a nap after breakfast. had a fine company for Diner to Day. had a very pleasant time with our Company. Miss Walker & Emma over here.

Nov 19-20 Cloudy & Dull. hired Samuel Rook to go to Franklin Pa to help haul my Engine home. Paid him ten Dollars in advance but it soon commenced to Rain and I concluded we had better not go. I soon hunted him up to get my money back and found him hunting me for the Same purpose as he had made up his mind that he had better not go. I got 3 hundred Dollars out of Bank and started on the mail train for Pithole City again. arrived at Ravenna about noon where I had to wait for the train until 8 1/2 O'clock in the evening. went up to Sister Lizzie Waits took Diner & Supper. had a good talk with Mother (she is now staying). at the appointed time I got on Board. arrived at Meadville at 1 O'clock where we had to wait until 6 O'clock when we started for Oil City where we arrived in good season. from here I left at once for Pithole City where I arrived about noon. hunted up L H Smith of whom I had previously bought an Engine). Paid him for it (300 Dollars went to the Chase house and took lodgings. looked around the Ballance of the Day. in the evening I hired a Mr Coulter to load my Engine on the Cars for which I agreed to Pay him 15 Dollars

Nov 21 Cloudy & snowing a little. after breakfast went to taking Down Engine. got it all loaded on the Cars by noon. was going to start home at 3 O'clock PM but happened to meet with John Hinchman an acquaintence who insisted that I should go home with him and stay all night. I Done so.

Nov 22 Cloudy & Dull. at 8 O'clock I started for home. Passed by Engine on the Switch only six miles from where it started. arrived at Oil City before noon. met James Peoples. he & I walked around awhile but he having businessto attend to we soon got separated. I went to the New York Dining Saloon where I took Lodging to await the arrival of my Engine. went early to bed.

Nov 23 Cloudy raw & cold. went early to Depot. found my Engine there. hired a Mr McGee to haul it to a Steam Boat bound for Pittsburgh. gave him ten Dollars for the job.

had a Big fire in Oil City this morning burned an Oil Refinery. at 3 O'clock PM we started. I was glad to exchange the Cars for a boat was tired of the Cars. besides they charge too much on the Cars. I ran out of money as it was. Played Uchre until about 11 O'clock when I retired.

Nov 24 Cloudy & cold. snowed some last night but did not lay long. arrived at Pittsburgh at 5 O'clock AM. after breakfast on the Boat I went up into the City where I met with Moses Adams of whom I borrowed 30 Dollars. got my Engine hauled up to Ft Wayne & C R R Depot which cost me 11 25/100 Doll more. at 2 O'clock took the Cars for home where I arrived about 5. found all well and looking for me.

Nov 25 Cloudy & cold. attended meeting in Our Own house for the first time. it is very comfortable and very snug. the Dedication sermon was excellent. took Diner with John Clemens after which I hunted up Smith Townsend who is here from the west part of the State. had a little chat with him after which I came home.

Nov 26 Clear & cold. ground froze some this morning. the Boys tied corn shocks. I tried to collect some money but came poor speed. it is getting scarce. Engine came at noon.

Nov 27 Cloudy and warmer. hauled our Boiler to Tyle shed and the Engine to R Garrigues shop. want to slick it up a little. Mrs Walker & Emma started for home at noon. threatens rain at sunsett.

Nov 28 Cloudy & wet. rained some through the night. threshed some Oats. wet all Day.

Nov 29 Cloudy & wet. a little cooler but freezes none. threshed our wheat. it was scarce worth the threshing. worked all the afternoon cleaning at it but it is yet full of cheat. Bought tea Coffee & Cotton Batton.

Nov 30 Cloudy & Dull. grows gradually colder. finished cleaning the wheat. hauled some straw to town. I worked a little on the wheel barrow repairing it. ground froze some this afternoon.

Dec 1 Cloudy & colder. ground is froze. Dry this morning. shipped a Barrel of sweet cider to S H Smith of Pithole City. helped thresh some oats this afternoon. thawed but little to Day. Wm Hewitt is here now at his Fathers.

Dec 2 Clear & cold but thawed a little in the sun. attended church. wrote a letter to S H Smith of Pithole City. Anne Callahan (Mary Hicks Sister) called on us a short time. in evening went to meeting and listened to an excellent Discourse entitled John Brown. the house was well filled.

Dec 3 Clear & cool. Peter & Bill Mercer hauled Rails all Day. I spent the Day trying to find a Hay Press. heard where there was one. think I will go tomorrow and see it.

Dec 4 Cloudy & wet. rained hard last night. settled with Bill Mercer owed him 38 Dollars but had no money to Pay him with. gave him my Due bill for that & 50 Dollars more that I held of his for safe keeping. rode Charlie up to John S Butlers and from there over to Smithfield Station to see his Hay Press. he offered to sell it to me for 50 Dollars which is cheap enough. came home through Westville and was some after Dark when I arrived. roads muddy.

Dec 5 Clear & warm. took some eggs up town for Margaret. looked around for Blocks & tackle with a view of making a Press but found they would cost 25 Dollars more than Butler asked me for the whole machine. I soon made up my mind to Buy his. accordingly I walked up the R Road to Damascus Station. then one mile north brot me to his house but Butler was not at home. I told his wife I would take it at his price. returned by one O'clock. Robt Tolerton Paid me 46 Dollars on Sloans account. went and heard C C Burleigh lecture. was a master effort.

Dec 6 Cloudy & warm. helped Peter make fence. got a good deal of it made. want to work at it every chance we can get. Showed Wiley where to chop.

Dec 7 Cloudy & pleasant. Peter & I put in the entire Day making fence. got along well. met John C Whinney & Cris Kineman at the formers office to settle with them but it amounted to nothing.

Dec 8 Cloudy & very wet. Rained hard last night. Peter worked at making Great gates. we want 9 of them. I spent the Day in Town to but little purpose. commenced turning colder about noon. had a splendid rain bow Directly north. the first one I remember to have noticed in my lifetime.

Dec 9 Cloudy & cold. ground froze this morning. Bill Mercer started for home on the 7 O'clock train. John Barcus and he went together. Peter has gone Down to John Walkers on foot. I have stuck pretty close to the house and at about noon am amusing myselfby jotting Down in my Journal the incident of the Day. we are about alone for once.

Dec 10 Cloudy & cold. Peter Hauled Rails. I spent a part of the Day in Town. in afternoon walked up to John S Butlers and Paid him 50 Dollars for Hay Press. got back in good time. grew gradually colder all Day. roads are frozen sollid.

Dec 11 Cloudy & colder. commenced Butchering But Isaac Taylor who was helping us got a letter from New Brighton announcing the Death of his Uncle who is to be burried at 2 O'clock this afternoon. as he still had time to get there I told him to quit and go. we can finish another Day as well. cut up the one we had Butchered and put it in the cellar. cold as greenland with wind in south East.

Dec 12 Clear & cold. Peter hauled wood. I attended to some Business up Town. got one hundred Dollars of the Buckeye and Paid it in Bank where I yet owe 2 hundred having

thrown a note in to Buy My Engine. clouded up at noon.

Dec 13 Cloudy & cold. very fine winter weather. want to finish our Butchering to Day. got it all Done complete. cut it up and put it in the cellar. weather moderated considerable and snowed some in the evening.

Dec 14 Cloudy & colder with ground only just covered with snow. Peter helped the woman Do up the Butchering work. I went Down to Abraham Shinns and got my Road Receipt 4.12 cents. gave it to Ira Brainard to take to Lisbon where they will give methe money for it. spent a good part of the Day in securing some Money. think I have succeeded. cannot tell certainly until to morrow. Judge Potter of Ravenna for 17th District Died last night at Alliance.

Dec 15 Clear & cold. we are now having nice winter weather. finally got my Pay of Cris Kineman for wood hauled him 219 50/100. Cris paid that amount. Deposited one hundred of it with Joel McMillen.

Dec 16 Cloudy & windy. Stormed and snowed all night. snow must be 4 or 6 inches Deep. very stormy until about noon. we all stuck close to the fire.

Dec 17 Cloudy with more snow. ground a couple of axes. Bought myself a new cap cost 4 25/100 Doll. hired Isaac Thomas my Bob Sleds. he came and got them this evening. moon shines bright and sleighing is pretty good.

Dec 18 Cloudy & pleasant with good sleighing. Peter is too unwell to help Joels Butchering. I went out to Joseph Saxons hunting timber. can get all I want in his neighborhood. came to town with him in his Sleigh. spent the evening in Town. Sis brot Grandfather & GrandmotherGoulbourn over to live with us awhile. Timothy is moving and we feared they might fare rough as the wether is so cold. we are glad to have them with us.

Dec 19 Cloudy and a little warmer. _____ (collored) helped us and we cut & hauled ____. I am not very well to Day but can make out to help a little. we got home in good time. Mother Goulbourn is not very well. snowed a little more this evening.

Dec 20 Cloudy with some more snow & a little colder. hauled in only 7 logs to Day. got a late Start and came home early. weather pretty cold.

Dec 21 Cloudy & consideable colder this morning. got an early start. hauled in 12 logs to Day. a little moderated to night but is still cold.

Dec 22 Cloudy and a little warmer. Peter hauled wood home to Day. I spent the Day in Town. Tom Wilson Paid me for Hay Press (50 Dollars and three for my trouble). Paid Isaac Fritz for a barrel of cider. considerable warmer this afternoon is going to thaw out I fear. Edwin Hise came home on the evening train. he is so unwell that he was forced to

leave the River. he left the Boat at Memphis came home by Rail.

Dec 23 Cloudy & wet. rained through the night. thawed a little all Day. stick close to Home. several called in some spent the Day with us.

Dec 24 Cloudy and a little colder. commenced snowing about Day light. snowed but little. Pete took Father & Mother Goulbourn they would stay no longer. in afternoon he hauled Manure & I altered our sleigh. Bought toys in evening.

Dec 25 Cloudy & colder. Nora got up early and is enjoying her Playthings that Santa Claus brot her. David Yingling is here having come out last evening and stayed all night. snows a little. we are all expected to go up to Brother Jesses to Diner but Margaret is so unwell that she & I stayed at Home. Sis & Ed Hise went up. Peter went over and helped Tim Gee move.

Dec 26 Cloudy and moderate winter weather. Peter & I hauled in 11 loads of corn fodder after which I went up Town. met with Mark Lyons who used to work for me. he has not yet forgotten how to talk. he hails from Indiana. snowed a little to Day and blowed considerable.

Dec 27 Cloudy windy and cold. snowed considerable last night but is Drifted so as to spoil the Sleighing. spent the Day up Town. got the pinion wheel put on th shaft of the Bull wheel I Bought of Mr Cummings. gave him 12 Dollars for it. Bought Ed Hise a pair of gum over shoes cost one Dollar and seventy five cents. Peter cut wood in wood house. too windy to work out of Doors.

Dec 28 Cloudy windy & cold. snow is still Drifting. sold some eggs and bought sugar & muslin. Sis & Ed has gone up to Town. I sat by the fire most of the afternoon.

Dec 29 Cloudy & cold. Peter hauled up some tops for wood. in forenoon Peter hauled Wiley a load of wood. I spent the afternoon in Town. snowed a little but the sleighing is yet poor the snow having blown off the road in places. Bought a Dressed Turkey cost 125 cents. Edwin Smith Paid me one hundred Dollars. owes me as much more and some 12 or 13 Dollars interest.

Dec 30 Clear & cold. sun shone clear all Day but thawed none. David Donally came on to Day to take Peters place. Peter has gone Down to John Walkers. I have not been out of the house scarcely all Day.

Dec 31 Clear & very pleasant. thawed none. Dave cut wood. I spent the Day in Town. Peter went to Alliance got Back at 6 O'clock PM. at sunsett looks like snowing. Paid one hundred Dollars on a note I owe in Bank. owe one hundre more. it is not Due until the 14th of January but I had no othe use for it. settled with Samuel Martin owed & Paid him 15 76/100 Doll.

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Jan 1 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. I spent the Day at home and in the house at that. wrote a letter to Wm Mercer of Philadephia and one to Benjamin Gilbertof Lancaster Co Pa. Lizzie Heitman took Diner with us. pleasant winter weather. John Shaffer called out is going to stay all night.

Jan 2 Clear & frosty. sharpened a couple of Stone picks for Joshua Hilliard. Settled with Peter Heitman owed 240 Dollars had to give him my note for it. money is too scarce with me Just now to spare that much. Dave & I cut & hauled in some stuff. fine winter weather as can be.

Jan 3 Clear and frosty. the trees look beautiful this morning. Dave hauled Brick wood. we are hauling it out of Lizzie Howels woods and putting it in our own that it may be handier to us when we want it. I went to Town in afternoon. came across Mark Lyons brot him home with me and he is going to stay all night. got a letter from Isaac Gilbert they are all well. roads couldnt be better.

Jan 4 Clear & pleasant with weather just cold enough to keep the snow. it however melted a very little to Day where the sun had a fair opening. Dave & I hauled in six more logs. I Paid Joshua Hilliard 5 Dollars on acct. came home in good time. weather is as pleasant as can be.

Jan 5 Cloudy and as plesant winter weather as one could Desire. am in hopes it will snow some more. Dave hauled wood. I spent most of the Day in town. walked out to Eltons Saw mill and Back. Snowed considerable to Day. Brother Jacob came home last night. Navigation is suspended on the River in consequence in ice.

Jan 6 Cloudy with prospects of more snow. Margret & I visited at Harriet Ames. came home in violent snow Storm. little Nora stood in the Sleigh amidst it all and seemed to enjoy it much. found the House comfortable and was glad to get home.

Jan 7 Cloudy & cold. Dave & I cut & hauled logs. got in 10 to Day. never was a nicer time for such work. Brother Jacob Spent the evening with us. I enjoy his company very much. the sledding is excellent.

Jan 8 Clear & cold. Dave hauled wood. I spent a portion of the Day in town. went 3 miles South to a sawmill to see what for a chance of getting in a few logs. Margaret Sis & Nora visited at Sister Unos to Day. Brother Jacob & wife accompanied them. got back in good season. Sleighing fine.

Jan 9 Cloudy & cool. shod Sunshine. mended Spreaders & helped Dave take a load of Straw to Town in forenoon. in afternoon Dave & I hauled a couple of Sills and 2 loads of wood home. got them all in Joshua Hilliards woods. Lizzie Goucher Paid us a flying visit

this morning. she went home at 10.47 AM.

Jan 10 Cloudy & trees covered with frost. Wiley & I went Down to James Vernons to cut chestnut Saw logs. worked until noon. found none that were sound enough to make such boards as I wanted and quit and came up to Isaac Philips land and cut 7 poplar Saw logs, some of them very good ones. came home in good time. made an axe handle for Charlie Downey. cut some wood etc etc. read the Tribune in evening. got a letter from Benj Gilbert of Lancaster Co Pa. Sledding still good as can be.

Jan 11 Cloudy and pleasant winter weather as one could ask. got up too early this morning but concluded not to go back to bed. will read to pass away the time until Daylight. Wiley came early and we all went out and hauled in 13 logs. some of them were small but some of them were first rate. got home in good time. spent the evening by the hot stove.

Jan 12 Clear & cold. Did not get up until Daylight. chopped some stove wood. went to town. spent most of the Day there. Bought 150 1/2 lb of Beef cost 8 cts per lb. sold Doc Harris 24 lb & Brother Jacob 24 lb at cost. Did not care about it all. pleasant all Day. softened the snow a little in Town. John Jones came to see me about offbearing Brick next Sumer. Did not hire him for certain but expect I will.

Jan 13 Cloudy with considerable snow from the East. we are having a splendid winter as can be. took Diner with Brother Jacob. the Ballance of the Day I spent at home.

Jan 14 Cloudy with indications of fallingweather. I chopped wood at the wood house. took a grist of corn up and got it ground for our beef we are fattening. Dave is hauling wood.

Jan 15 Cloudy & colder with lots more snow this morning. cut a large Dead Hickory tree in Hilliards woods and cut it up into logs to haul home for fire wood. spent the afternoon in Town. Peter Heitman came up to Day. is with us all night.

Jan 16 Cloudy & cold. as fine sleighing as can be. Dave & I got up fire wood. Peter brought his two sisters out to visit us. windy after sunsett.

Jan 17 Cloudy & colder with more snow and plenty of wind. snow blows about very much. Wiley & I sawed and split our fire wood. Jacob Hise & Peter Heitman both turned in helped us. we by this means got Done before night. I Paid Peter 20 Dollars to be credited on a note he holds against me but he had it not with him. Blowed all Day. Dave hauled some Brick wood but was really too bad to be out. I was glad to see he is now home.

Jan 18 Cloudy & cold. snowed and blowed considerable through the Day. Dave & I split wood and piled it in the woods but too stormy & bad to have a team out Doors. little Nora is right sick of a cold. Peter went home to Day.

Jan 19 Cloudy & cold. must try and get up some more fire wood to Day. it is all we can Do to keep warm now. we hauled up considerable wood. spent the whole Day at it.

Jan 20 Cloudy & cold. toward noon it commenced storming and continued all Day. never saw it storm & snow faster cannot see fifty yards.

Jan 21 Cloudy & cool. Dave & I sawed wood and split & put in the wood house. got in a good lot. Wiley took our team & hauled himself a couple of loads of wood.

Jan 22 Cloudy with moderate winter weather and plenty of Snow and a little more falling. David commenced hauling our Joist from Holloways mill. I repaired some of our Harness. Paid Thomas Heaton one Hundred Dollars I owed him for work Done last sumer. snowed a little more through the Day we have now about 18 inches on the average all over the country. the whole of North America is Doubtless covered with snow.

Jan 23 Cloudy with weather about the Same. sledding could not be better. I helped Dave haul Joice from Holloways. snowed a very little and was cold all Day.

Jan 24 Cloudy & still cold but is a little warmer than yesterday. helped Dave haul Joist. want to finish it up before we Do anything else. got some Rye & Buckwheat ground. want to try a little Rye Bread. have saw none for 30 years. used to be fond of it. ground 2 pairs of Shears. our folks are busy making carpet.

Jan 25 Cloudy with weather as near the same as can be. we are having a glorious winter thus far. Dave & I finished hauling our Joist. rained considerable with wind in the East. froze cold and Disagreeable all Day.

Jan 26 Cloudy cold & stormy. wind hauled round to the west and much colder & stormy with lots more snow falling. no danger (as some supposed on yesterday) of a break up yet. the prospect this morning is good for more winter. we threshed oats 47 1/2 bushels and cleaned it up. put in the Bin & was night when we got Done. is too cold to thresh to advantage.

Jan 27 Cloudy & cold. wind blows from the north we started to Ann Townsends but found the snow so much Drifted we could not get through. we got as far as East Broadway where we turned around and made the bst of our way home again where we staid contented all Day. had some company Stormy as it was. Uncle Silas Howel was here good part of the Day. Stormed & blowed from the north all Day.

Jan 28 Cloudy & cold. the is still this morning with weather cold and snow so much Drifted as to be almost impossible to get about. Margaret & Sis is getting breakfast this morning as Mary has gone off of wages. Margaret feels unwilling to hire what little we have to Do. Dave & I hauled 4 loads of Straw to Town. very cold all Day. Bought some

Saddlers silk with which to mend my gloves. Eltina Sharpnack started at 6 O'clock PM for west Liberty Iowa.

Jan 29 Cloudy & very cold. took some corn to mill & undertook to haul wood but found the snow Drifted so much we were forced to turn around and come home again. I spent considerable time at the Mill Shellingour corn & getting it grated. Dave come after it at 4 O'clock & I came home with him.

Jan 30 Clear at Daylight and quite cold. Dave cut & hauled some wood. I took Sunshine & the Sleigh and went up to Reuben Painters (1 1/2 miles South of Damascus to Buy a Hog but I was too late. he sold it on last friday. when I got home I found Joseph Saxon & his wife here. were glad of it. we had a pleasant visit. John Gordon called on business wants a sleigh ironed. I am his man come on with your sleigh Mr Gordon. clear all Day.

Jan 31 Cloudy at Daylight with some more snow. at seven O'clock the sun is shining and looks as if it might moderate a little. Dave & I cut wood. thawed fast to Day. Doc Goucher & Lizzie Paid us a short visit. Mr Gordon brot his sleigh to have me iron it.

Feb 1 Cloudy & warm. the snow is melting fast. wind blows warm. I fear we shall have a break up. cleared off and the sun shone pleasant all Day. I worked at Mr Gordons Sleigh. Dave hauled wood. snow has melted very fast all Day. Paid Dave ten Dollars.

Feb 2 Cloudy & wet. commenced to rain about Daylight. Kept it up all Day. I worked in the shop. Dave went home had an ugly time of it. water is high. considerable time yet where it is Difted.

Feb 3 Clear at Daylight but soon clouded up. moderate winter weather with roads a glib of ice. I attended Broad Gauge church. spent the afternoon at home.

Feb 4 Cloudy. snowed considerable through the Day but at 6 O'clock is nearly all melted off. Dave came home this afternoon. I worked at Mr Gordons Sleigh. Paid Philip Evans 2 55/100 Doll my Proportion of the Tax on the land he & I Bought of Chessman.

Feb 5 Cloudy and a little colder with some more snow. sleighing is tolerable good again. wrote a letter to Joseph Marlowe of Brownsville Saline Co Mo. and one to Abram Requa of New York city. wind blows considerable. made a new Pump for the Barnyard cistern one that will last a long while.

Feb 6 Clear and Pleasant at Sunrise but soon clouded up and remained cool all Day. thawed but very little. I worked at Mr Gordons Sleigh all Day. want to finish as soon as possible.

Feb 7 Clear & pleasant at Daylight. remained clear & warm all Day. Dave hauled wood & I worked at Mr Gordons Sleigh. Peter Heitman & John Shaffer is here to night. Sis & Mary Hick visited Anne Seeds to Day. Pleasant Day to visit. Joshua Davis sent for &

took away a Heifer he bought of Henry Cooper that we were wintering for him.

Feb 8 Clear & fine but soon clouded up and looks like Rain. Dave hauled wood. I finished the Sleigh. spent the Ballance of the Day in town. Jehu Fawcett Died to Day at one O'clock. he is one of Salems Oldest Citizens. he has lived in the Borough since 1825. he and I have been intimate friends ever since.

Feb 9 Cloudy and at sunrise is raining a very little. we commenced to haul corn fodder but soon it turned colder & commenced snowing when we were forced to quit. I worked a little in the shop. stormed and snowed hard most of the afternoon with wind in north. still stormy at Bedtime. (I made a small Basket for Mary).

Feb 10 Clear & cold with wind in north. considerable snow this morning. I attended Broad Gauge expecting to meet Mr & Mrs Gordon there as they expected to visit us to Day. but hey Did not attend. But they came Directly here. Angelin Deming and her Daughter Ellen Rebecca Smithson & Siste Phebe were here also. in the evening I attended Babtist Church the first time in 14 years. a Mr Childs is Preaching for them and he gave out that this evening he would Preach to the unbelievers and as I am classed among that number I thought I would attend to see if haply he might Do something for me (as I by them am considered in a forlorn condition) but alas he has not advanced one Iota. Predicated his Discourse upon an assumption that is notoriously untrue and made what he called unanswerable arguments to sustain it. But took good came to not invite a reply or to give any one who Disagreed from him a opportunity of asking him a question. Proved by quotations from the new testament that Jesus Christ was none other than God himself. omitting however to tell his hearers that that opinion was not promulgated in his lifetime But not until 325 years after his Crucifiction and then was only voted to be such by a conclave of interested & corrupt Priests and then by a very meagre majority. now the whole question turns on their facilities for obtaining knowledge and their honesty after they had obtained it. and judging them by the present class of men of the same profession I Do not hesitate to say that I want some more tangable Proof before I can believe that the Great Creator of the Universe (the glob___ inhabit being but as a single grain of Sand _____ with the Immensity of the Creation) through the Subtleties of Satan was compelled to quit the Celestial abode assume the form of man be born of woman be subject to all the accidents of infancy and childhood and finally to be punished unto Death merely to redeem a small portion of the human race. for after a lapse of 1867 years there is not one of ten thousand inhabitants believe the yarn (and of course one lost after all his trouble and suffering). now is it not futial to place God in such a Dilema. I for one cannot Do it but am willing others should as long as they Do not compromise me. and will then rest the subject for the present.

Feb 11 Cloudy and pleasant winter weather. Dave & I hauled up fire wood to Day. Jehu Fawcett was consigned to his last resting place to Day. thawed none of account. am very tired to night.

Feb 12 Cloudy & warmer. looks like it might thaw to Day. hauled corn fodder until

noon when I was taken Sick and had to quit. Dave hauled our Staves up to cooper shop. Sarah & Mother McMillen visited us this afternoon.

Feb 13 Cloudy & warm. Dave hauled Rails until it commenced Raining which it Did before noon. I spent most of the Day in Town. commenced a wheelbarrow for the Hinchcliffe Boysto wheel stone on. they want a good strong one. Just as strong as I can make them.

Feb 14 Cloudy warm and foggy and to add to the Dismal appearance of the weather it commenced Drizzling Rain about 8 O'clock and continued through most of the Day. I worked at my wheelbarrow until noon when I assisted Dave & Wiley to take our Beef out to the Slaughterhouse to have him Butchered. called at Isaac Boons and got him to make me a heavy halter for Charlie. he has late contracted a of breaking loose of nights. want to break him of it if Possible, frost is coming out of the ground fast. will soon be out if this weather continues.

Feb 15 Cloudy with some fog. is cooler but froze none last night. Dave chopped wood. I worked some in the Shop. Margaret Sis Ed & Nora visited at Father Goulbourns. roads are very muddy.

Feb 16 Cloudy & warm. wind blew considerable last night. rained at 8 O'clock AM. Brot our beef home and salted it Down. Done a little at my wheelbarrow. cleared off and was very pleasant all Day. ten years ago this Day we moved where we are to Day and as much such an one as can be. warm and pleasant as could well be but we had then (as I presume we shall now have plenty of Rough weather before planting time.

Feb 17 Clear & little cooler. finished my wheelbarrow wheel. took a walk over Joshua Hilliards woods after which I went to Blacksmithing and ironed my wheelbarrow and got it ready for painting. David Yingling took Diner with us. very warm and pleasant all Day. spent a portion of the evening up at the American House. clear & moonlight.

Feb 18 Cloudy & colder. ground is froze some this morning. Dave hauled rails until noon. I painted my wheelbarrow. showed Wiley where to chop wood. in afternoon Dave & I moved our Lumber from Sharps mill. have as nice a lot of it as I ever Saw. took a grist of wheat & one of Buckwheat also to mill. got it ground and brot it home with us. Mary Hick went home (to Atwater) at noon. we shall miss her much. she has beenwith us so long. John Miller is burried to Day. wrote a letter to Bill Mercer of Philadelphia.

Feb 19 Cloudy and a little cooler than last evening but the ground is very little frozen. Dave and I made fence all Day. got along very well. Benj Wilkins came on this evening to work for me. he is to Farm and Do any other Schores that he can Do for 240 Dollars per year. (took Hinchcliffs wheelbarrow up).

Feb 20 Cloudy & colder with ground covered with snow. Benj commenced this morning. I settled with D Donely owed and Paid him 28 95/100 Doll. Ben & I cut a little wood.

cleaned up the Barn etc. snow all melted off.

Feb 21 Cloudy & foggy with more snow. the trees are covered with ice this morning and was the Same way yesterday but I omitted to mention it. commenced another wheelbarrow for the Hinchcliffs. Ben & WileySawed wood at the wood pile but the Day was very unfavorable. rained and froze & snowed at times. roads are as bad as can be and Brother Jacob is out of coal. we must try & haul him some in the morning.

Feb 22 Cloudy & cold with about one inch of snow on the ground. hauled Brother Jacob some coal. after which we hauled the lumber for the fence of Wileys house. up and put it in the carriage house ready to work at on a wet Day. worked some on another wheelbarrow for the Hinchcliffs.

Feb 23 Cloudy & cool. spent the Day in town. Ben split wood in wood house. growed a little warmer towards night. roads bad.

Feb 24 Cloudy & warmer. snow about all gone this morning. wrote a short article for the journal in reply to an Observer. attended Broad Gauge church. had a good Discourse.

Feb 25 Cloudy with ground froze hard. Benj & I sawed a few rail cuts. in afternoon he hauled Rails. I walked out to Spencer & Fishers sawmill. came back by town where I spent the ballance of the Day. thawed and is quite muddy.

Feb 26 Clear & cool. ground froze again this morning. shod Charlie and made fence. getting along first rate. Margaret & Nora is visiting up at Uncle Nathan Chestnuts.

Feb 27 Clear & cold. ground froze hard but will thaw to Day. Ben & I made fence all Day. was as pleasant as can be all Day. sugar water runs fine to Day.

Feb 28 Cloudy with a little cool wind. wrote a letter to Hannah Kole. Ben & I made fence all Day. am getting along well but have considerable to make yet. David Yingling called out a few minutes this evening but as the object of his attractions is absent he Did not tarry long.

Mar 1 Cloudy and very pleasant at sunrise. remained pleasant all Day. Ben & I made fence. got a letter from John Hise. wrote an answer this evening.

Mar 2 Cloudy and cooler. Ben & I plowed up and picked elder roots out of fence row. laid some ____and built some fence but about noon it got so cold we quit and came to the House. I went to Town. Ben got some Sassaparila root. Dug some parsnips. Peter Heitman is here to night. Paid Joshua Hilliard 8 Dollars on the wood we are chopping on his land.

Mar 3 Cloudy & cold. ground froze sollid again. attend church. had an excellent Discourse. at about 2 O'clock commenced snowing from northeast and continued until

bedtime. Played a few games of Uckre the first for a long time. Peter is still with us. (storm hard).

Mar 4 Cloudy & cold with some 6 inches of Snow. Ben & I hauled all our rail cuts (15). in all one sawlog & a large log for firewood. Peter went home this afternoon. thawed none.

Mar 5 Cloudy & cold. was wakened up about 4 O'clock by Emma Walker. her mother and all her Sisters came Down on the Cars at 11 O'clock last night. Ben & I took the 2 horses and brot them all up. 6 in all and after breakfst I am making a note of it. undertook to thresh some Oats but it is too cold. hauled in all our fodder and one load of lumber to Spencer & Fisher Sawmill.

Mar 6 Cloudy & cold. looks favorable for more snow. Ben hauled manure from Town. I spent most of the Day in Town to but little purpose.

Mar 7 Cloudy & cold. thawed some in middle of Day. snowed considerable. hauled 6 Red Oak logs up to Joel Strattons Shingle Factory to get worked up. he went right at them. air is raw all Day.

Mar 8 Cloudy & cold. finished hauling logs to Day and hauled one load of lumber. I spent a portion of the Day in Town. Bought little Nora a pair of shoes. thawed considerable but a wagon yet runs well. Annie Norris called a short time.

Mar 9 Cloudy with heavy atmosphere. is some frozen this morning but looks like it might thaw to Day. Benj hauled one load of lumber. I Done nothing much. took up our beef and repacked it.

Mar 10 Cloudy with weather much the Same. margaret Em Walker & I attended church. Mrs Harper a Collard woman Delivered Delivered a lecture on the "Opportunity of our Country". Done very well. rained and was very Disagreeable.

Mar 11 Cloudy. ground not frozen this morning. threshed a little Oats. took the Straw up Town. Sold John Pow my stone trough for holding sugar water for 6 Dollars. he paid me. Paid John Hudson 2 Dollars for the Salem Journal another year. in afternoon Benj & I framed at a small house I am building. commenced to rain about 5 O'clock PM. is Disagreeable out.

Mar 12 Cloudy & raining at sunrise. Drizzled rain all night. is cold foggy & gloomy out of Doors. Benj & I framed at the little house all Day. got it very nearly Done. the papers to Day report the appointment of Connaly Townsend as Post Master. the People are satisfied now. Margaret bought Tablecloths for 4 Doll.

Mar 13 Cloudy cool & raw with ground covered with snow. is very Disagreeable getting about. Ben & I made gates to Day. got 5 finished. sold Jo Saxon 3 bushels of

Buckwheat & put a slider on his wagon. snowed a little and is colder.

Mar 14 Cloudy & cold. ground froze hard this morning. Nora had the croup very bad last night. Ben & I finished the gates 9 in all. have them all ready to hang. got stuff for window frames for Wileys House. thawed none to Day. is certainly cold for this time of year.

Mar 15 Clear and cold at Daylight. froze hard last night. Ben hauled manure from Town. thawed a very little. I spent the Day in town. sent Benj Gilbert a paper.

Mar 16 Cloudy & cold. ground froze hard. worked in shop all Day. Benj hauled 3 loads of manure but it stormed so he was forced to quit. is snowing at 5 O'clock PM.

Mar 17 Cloudy cold and snowing. Blowing and what else there is no knowing until I go out. snow must be several inches deep. we are having a stormy March so far. Margaret & I went to church in the carriage. snowed and blowed all Day. got a severe pain in head.

Mar 18 Clear & cold. sledding pretty good. Ben & I hauled up wood. was pleasant in the sun but Did not thaw much.

Mar 19 Clear & cold but looks like thawing. thawed fast all Day. we hauled up wood until noon when the snow in the roads was about gone. Ben hauled manure in afternoon. I spent the time town. felt too tired to Do anything.

Mar 20 Clear & cold. ground froze hard. Ben hauled manure all Day. I attend Cummings Sale but had as well stayed at home as I bought nothing. clouded up and was cold all Day. got tired standing around in the cold and came home before the Sale was over.

Mar 21 Cloudy windy & cold with some rain frozen on the bushes. is very Disagreeable out of Doors. Broke our stack of hay and hauled load of it to Town. Sold Tom Sharp 1 ton of it. he hauled it himself. rained a little good part of the Day and about 4 O'clock commenced snowing and continued it until bedtime. got a letter from Mark.

Mar 22 Cloudy and still snowing. must be six inches Deep. we are thus far having a very rough March as much so as I ever remember to have seen. attended Louis Riters Sale. it Did not amount to much. Bought a couple of trifles. snowed the whole Day but melted some. roads are too soft for sleighing.

Mar 23 Cloudy & cold out. has froze up & quit snowing. Ben & I finished hauling our Hay. the Stack held over 6 tons & 600 lb. am well satisfied with that. sun shone pleasant all Day & roads are sloppy.

Mar 24 Cloudy & Dull. attended church after which we had a Stock company meeting

the purpose of which was to take action on an application we have received from the Baptist Society to repurchase their Old Meeting House. we came to no Diffinate conclusion after which I went out to John Gordons. stayed and talked until 8 O'clock. by this time it was as Dark as could well be but I started home and had a muddy and rather tedious walk but I took my time and arrived safe at home before all had retired. soon went to Bed where I slep soundly until Daylight.

Mar 25 Cloudy & cool but ground did not freeze any last night. Ben & I sawed wood all Day. cleared off and was quite pleasant at 5 O'clock PM. Geo Trumble Jr called in this evening.

Mar 26 Cloudy & cold. ground is froze this morning. Ben & I finished sawing wood that we have hauled up. I ground one of our axes that had accidently got Dulled. snowing at Dusk. ground is frozen.

Mar 27 Cloudy & Dull. air is murky and resembles fog. I spent good part of the Day in Town. Sat for my Photograph at Brasius & Oliphant. at noon Sis went to Alliance and at 5 PM I took the Cars for same place. on arriving I walked out to see Old John Seeters an old acquaintence whom I had not Saw for 12 years. found him well and pleased to see me. spent a couple of hours with him (he is 83 years old). after which I walked over to Doctor John Goucher where I found Sis all right and enjoying herself with the Doctors wife who is an Old and well tried friend. J F Dickinson (her Father) is there. he & I had a good chat.

Mar 28 Cloudy & cold with wind in northwest. after breakfast I walked Down the Pittsburgh & Cleveland Rail Road a Distance of 4 1/2 miles to Wm Patricks Sale. I want a Bureau he has but he Did not offer it for Sale. I walked back. spent some time looking about Alliance. bought little Nora a Doll and at 6 O'clock took the Cars for home. arrived in due time & found all well. Delivered Noras present with which she is Delighted.

Mar 29 Clear & cool. ground froze hard this morning but will certainly thaw to Day. Ben & I took the team went out to Eltons Sawmill & Drug in our logs. came home past Williamsons millto haul in what we had there but found them all Sawed and have been for Six weeks. had I have known that I should have had it all at home now but the roads are now to bad. Josiah Fawcetts wife Died last night. wind blew cold from northwest all Day.

Mar 30 Clear & cold. ground froze hard but will certainly thaw considerable to Day. Ben hauled rails. I spent good part of the Day in Town. got 100 Doll of Jehu Strawn at 6 per cent interest. he wants me to have it for safe keeping.

Mar 31 Clear & warm. as pleasant a Day as one could wish. attended church. had a good Discourse as ever I listened to. Bought a Horse of Joshua Hilliard for 120 Dollars. gave him a note on Jonathan Haines for it. Margaret is quite unwell to Day. Brother Jesse called out & called up and spent an hour or two with us very pleasantly. March is

going out mild (came in so).

Apr 1 Cloudy windy and wet. rained some in the night and at 6 O'clock AM is snowing a very little. will be an ugly Dayto move. Ben took the team and hauled one load of goods for Levi Straghly. I went over to Jonathan Haines and got his note for 120 Dollars and gave it to Joshua Hilliard for a Horse. in coming across Albert Webbs farm was met by his Dog (he came up Barking but I had no idea that he intended to bite me until he caught me by the left leg. he bit me severely. it was very painful until Mother Goulbourn bound it up. he may survive it but I Doubt it much.

Apr 2 Cloudy & Dull. threatens rain this morning. moved Mrs Walker. I made wood work of harrow for Samuel Chessman. cleared off and was beautiful in afternoon. Calvin Hise took Charlie & the carriage and went to New Alexandria after Lizzie Heitman. she is going to work for us this Sumer. Ben & I split some stakes.

Apr 3 Clear & very pleasant out of Doors this morning. Ben & I split some stakes in forenoon. in PM he stone for fence corners & manure on our early Potatoe patch & I ironed & painted Chessmans harrow. clouded up and looks for rain. Dave Donally & Lizzie Heitman came on to Day. we have work for both of them. Adams & Sons Cooper shop burned last night. insured for 7000 Dollars.

Apr 4 Cloudy & Dull. must rain soon. Bill Mercer arrived this morning on the 6 O'clock Train. he looks well. I finished Chessmans harrow. Ben & Dave planted our early Potatoes. in afternoon they Drained a Pond through which we have to make a fence. Rained and hailed hard but it lasted but about one minute. still cloudy at Dark.

Apr 5 Cloudy & wet. rained good part of the night. is cool and very Disagreeable out of Doors. we threshed Oats until ten O'clock when I went to Bennets Sale. bought some trifles that will be of use to us. Ben & Dave cleaned up what Oats we threshed and took the Straw to Town. snowed and blowed terribly at times throughout the afternoon and at Dark is still Stormy.

Apr 6 Clear & cold with ground covered with snowed but will from appearances as I write melt off to Day. we threshed Oats until noon. in afternoon the Boys cleaned it up and took a load of Straw to Caspers. I spent the afternoon in Town. bought 19 62/100 Doll worth of muslin of Charlie Haise at 24 cents per yard.

Apr 7 Cloudy & windy but not so cold as yesterday morning. attended church. Isaac Trescott preached Done very well. in afternoon I roamed around a little. wind blew all Day but it was quite pleasant withal.

Apr 8 Cloudy but pleasant out this morning. we all 3 worked at fence making all Day. got along well. Margaret & little Nora visited up Town. rained a very little about sundown.

Apr 9 Cloudy & warm. threatens rain in west. finished our fences and threshed Oats. in afternoon I went to Town to look up a Plow.

Apr 10 Cloudy & Dull. threatens rain. I attended David Streets Sale. bought a spade & a Buggy. rained considerable in afternoon. Eli Forrest hauled my Buggy to town behind his 2 Horse waggon and there I fortunately met Ike Taylor who brot it home for me.

Apr 11 Cloudy & cold. wind is northeast. we tore up stumps to Day. got along well. I Bought & paid for a Plow cost 12 Dollars. cleared off and is pleasant all Day. wrote a letter to Abram Gilbert of Lancaster Co Penn. Bought some butter & some sugar neither of them as high as I have seen them but are high enough yet.

Apr 12 Clear & very pleasant out this morning. is a little frosty just enough to show. Ben & Dave hauled stumps together. in afternoon Ben commenced plowing sod. Dave & I tried to burn the Stumps. I bought a strip of land of Thomas Spencer for 500 Dollars per acre. Paid him 50 Dollars of the money.

Apr 13 Clear & very pleasant. Ben is plowing sod. too wet to plow loose ground for Oats. Dave Dug up some trees made a little garden etc. I helped saw my logs at Sharps mill in forenoon. in afternoon I helped survey the lot I bought of Spencer. it Did not contain quite 1/5 of an Acre come to 97 48 1/2 Doll. clouded up at sundown.

Apr 14 Cloudy & a little cooler. got up at break of Day. went over to Sharps mill & piled out my lumber. took the top off of Buggy. Margaret & I attended church after which we visited at John Gordons. took little Nora along. got home by moonlight. was very warm all Day.

Apr 15 Cloudy & Dull. Ben Plowed and sowed some of our Oats ground But in afternoon it got too wet. Bill Mercer & Bill Bowman commencedcuting the yard but at noon was forced to quit on account of the wet. I sent by Charlie Hays to Philadelphiafor a Barrel of Syrup. gave him 40 Dollars to Pay for it. Peter Heitman is here spending the Day.

Apr 16 Cloudy & wet having rained all night. commenced working at the Tyle works but rained so much we were forced to give it up. rained all Day. at 4 O'clock the waters are very high. new culvert at east end of Main St is quite small enough but I think were "all clear below" it would Do for size. Settled with the "Buckeye" they owed and Paid me 187 05/100 Doll. I Paid Peter Heitman 120 Dollars of it. Bought one Dollars worth of Butter.

Apr 17 Clear & cool. waters have all subsided. Ben & Dave hauled lumber. Bill Mercer & Bill Bowman worked under the Tyle shed.

Apr 18 Clear & warm. some made fence and worked at the brickyard. I made new shafts for my cart.

Apr 19 Cloudy & warm. Dave hauled lumber. Ben is Boating stone off of mowing grass. the rest are getting the yard ready. I Done schores. Bought Bacon & Dried Apples.

Apr 20 Cloudy & warm. 2 Bills opened Sand bank at Geo Bowns. Dave hauled lumber. Ben is still boating stone. I bought a Horse of James Brown for which I am to give him 16 thousand brick. gave him my obligation for it. Sold Isaac Thomas my Draft Horse "Charlie" for 225 Dollars. he is a good deal the best Horse I ever owned. I am loth to let him go but I promised him to him in a weak moment & he must have him. Paid Joseph Mather 8 Dollars for timber.

Apr 21 Clear & cool but when the sun got well up was pleasant. made a sett of brick molds. attended church in afternoon. had a call from Marius R Robinson. rained about 5 O'clock.

Apr 22 Cloudy & wet. rained some in the night & blowed a good deal. is wet & gloomy out of Doors. the Boys picked stone off the meadows. Isaac Thomas paid 225 Dollars for Charlie. I hated when it came to the pinch to let him go. looked around some for a horse to take his place.

Apr 23 Cloudy & cold. I spent most of the Day looking for a horse but bought none. they made fence. Done a little hauling. I made some plank road at the Brickyard. can Do but little of anything. Belle Hise arrived from Louisiana.

Apr 24 Cloudy & snowing at sunrise with about or on boards & fences but on the ground melted. we cleaned out our cellar. righted things up about the Door yard. in afternoon some of us took our Tyle machine apart. Abraham Painter paid me 15 Dollars on account.

Apr 25 Cloudy & cold. some hauled rails while others split rails. I went out to Jonathan Haines. got his Due Bill for 98 Dollars. Drawed in Anthony Fishers name to whom I gave it for a Mare and gave him 77 Dollars in money besides. she is a good looking mare 4 years old. has Done too much work for one of her age.

Apr 26 Clear & cool with some frost. made line fence this forenoon. some are on the Brickyard. Ben plowed for & sowed Oats. ground is wet. from appearances will soon be wetter. I repaired harness ready to work on the yard.

Apr 27 Cloudy cold & wet. rained last night. some of us made fence. Ben plowed and sowed Oats in the mud. snowed very hard with wind in northwest. had a heavy snow squall. cold all Day.

Apr 28 Cloudy & cold. ground is froze considerable. Ice 1/4 inch thick & wind in northeast. George Hinchcliffe came and cut our Curb stone. I put 3 of them to their places. cold and raw all Day.

Apr 29 Cloudy & cold with some rain last night. can Do nothing on the Brickyard to

Day. fixed up Door yard. planted some more potatoes. worked a little on the Brick yard. cool all Day. Bought a couple of new shovels seives wire etc ready to to making Brick.

Apr 30 Cloudy & cold with a little more rain last night. Both gangs made a few Brick to Day. Drizzled rain a part of afternoon but the Boys are so anxious to make brick that they worked on.

May 1 Cloudy cold and wet. rained all night last night with wind blowing from northwest. this morning is about cold enough to snow. we worked under the Tyle shed all Day. rained most of the forenoon. wind in northwest and very cold. as Disagreeable as can be. almost cold enough to freeze.

May 2 Cloudy & cold. got up in good time. made horse nails & took up shoes. must shoe our horses and go to hauling. some hauled Sand & the rest of us uncovered Sand at the yard. made fence & leveled Down Banks of clay into the Pond. cold all Day.

May 3 Clear & cold. some ice this morning. cleaned up things about the yard until noon. the weather moderated a little and in afternoon both sett of hands made Brick. got along very well for a beginning. is cool at sunsett.

May 4 Clear & cool. made 8000 Brick. weather moderated considerable. overhauled my Engine. found it much better than I expected. I think it an excellent one. a little Son of Bart Entriken accidently fell into a trough of water and was Drowned before he was Discovered. he was but 2 years old.

May 5 Cloudy & looks some like Rain. made an axletree for my wagon. attended meeting. listened to one of the best Sermons from Mr Ellis that I have ever heard. rode out home with Mr Gordon and got 16 Turkey Eggs. started home in the Rain supposing it would soon cease but it rained until I got home and the consequence was I was wet to the skin. J W Moore knocked off and hired a substitute (Dennis Weise). I am glad to make the Exchange. Geo Heitman is here.

May 6 Cloudy & wet. rained most of the night and is wet considerable part of the forenoon. some of the Boys turned and piled up our manure. I attended to some schores up town. 3 of us hauled Boards and sleepers for Bridge. in afternoon looks as if the Rain might be over for a Day or two at least. Bought

May 7 Cloudy & cool. weather Does not appear to be settled yet. Kate Weis is here this morning. is going to help Lizzie Do the work. cold all Day. hitched up Josh and Drove Alfred Wright around Town. he wants to buy a house and I would like to sell him one. the boys worked about the yard. took in a few brick etc etc. I helped Brother Jesse make my wagon tyre and put them on. they are the best ones I ever owned. Bought Barrel of flour cost 15 75/100 Dollars.

May 8 Cloudy & cold But the Boys are making brick. I & Benj are finishing the lane

fence. is almost cold enough to snow. should it clear off everything would be frozen. got

the lane fences all Done. the Boys made 8000 Brick. still cold at sunsett.

May 9 Clear & cool but no frost to hurt anything. all is going right on the Brickyard. Wiley is taking them in. at noon it is quite pleasant But the wind still blowing cold from the north. I sett Brick most of the Day. Bought 200 lb of sugar of Charlie Hays cost 15 1/2 cts per lb.

May 10 Cloudy & cool. made 8000 Brick. I sett brick all Day. Wiley wheeled them in. cool wind from northwest all Day but after sunsett it moderated considerable. Benj is still plowing for Oats. late but it must be sown. Nora got her hair shingled.

May 11 Clear & pleasant all Day. repaired my wagon in forenoon. in afternoon wheeled in Brick. am very tired as I write at 8 O'clock PM. Ben finished sowing our Oats to Day. it is very late but it is as soon as we could Possible Do it. getting along well on the Brick yard. clear at sunsett and looks as if we might now have some good weather.

May 12 Clear & very pleasant. got up early and sett Brick until meeting time and after meeting again resumed the Same. got all sett that is under the shed. am very tired. we covered our Brick (a yard full) as it looks some like raining at sunsett.

May 13 Cloudy cool & wett. rained some about Daybreak. thundered & lightninged some. wind in the east having hauled around from west since yesterday. 6 of our hands is taking in Brick. Dave & I hauled our Tyle gearing up from the Buckeye and a Barrel of Sugar & Syrup from Charlie Hays in forenoon. in afternoon we intended to take in what brick we had out but at one O'clock it commenced to rain Blow & hail. blew our covering boards off as fast as we could put them on (and faster too) but we stuck to it until the Storm was over. of course we were all wet to the skin and cold. but we kindled a fire under one of the sheds and was soon comfortable again. the wind Demolished Pidgeons shed entirely and blew Down all our new fences on the farm that ran north & south. yesterday we had the best fenced farm in the Township now none could be much poorer. some timber blown Down. Broke one of our cherry trees.

May 14 Cloudy & wet. all hands went to work and by noon all our fences in good repair again. in afternoon took in and sett brick. cloudy all Day. Paid Thomas Spencer 47 50/100 Doll. Ballance on the lot I bought of him. Put our syrup in the cellar. commenced the foundation for my small house at the Brick yard.

May 15 Cloudy cool & wet having rained last night. the Boys took in all our Brick. I put up the foundation for Wileys House and Done some work towards my Tyle works. showery all Day. roads muddy. Richard Webb Died to Day.

May 16 Clear & pleasant in forenoon. Raised Wileys House. finished setting what Brick we had made and cased the Kiln up. Ben & Dave hauled wood. clouded up about noon

and at 4 O'clock commenced raining. is wet enough now.

May 17 Cloudy & cool. made no Brick to Day. the Boys stuck up my joice. cased at the Kiln. Dug clay. hauled wood etc. I worked at my tile works. have plenty of work there to keep me busy some time.

May 18 Clear & cool with considerable frost. worked at the Tyle works until 10 O'clock. took the Cars for Smithfield Station in Company with Job Samborn to attend a Sale of Oil well fixings. took Diner (by invitation) with Littleberry Stanley. everything that was sold at all was sold at a sacrifice of at least one half and some articles Did not bring a tythe of their Original cost. I Bought the 9 inch Belt for which I Paid 16 50/100 Dollars. it cost new 46 Dollars. Job Lamborn took me to his old home about one mile Southwest where his son Williams wifeprepared us a good supper after which we walked over his farm containing 465 Acres of as good land as the County affords. we then hitched up his Horse & wagon. went back to the Oil well. loaded on all our purchases and at sunsett started for home where we arrived Safe about 11 O'clock. roads are full of ugly chuck holes and we were forced to come slow. clouded up and circle round the moon. Richard Webb & Ann Painter (his Sister) and widow of David Painter was both Burried to Day.

May 19 Cloudy & cool. mended one of my Spades and spaded some garden. J F Dickinson & his Daughter Harriet visited us. Paskall Seeds & his wife also. he has just returned from Iowa. Rained a little towards night.

May 20 Cloudy & wet. rained considerable last night. Jacob Helman brot his Colt out. he wants us to work him all Sumer for his keep. some cut wood some hauled wood and others Dug about out Tyle works. cloudy & cool all Day.

May 21 Cloudy & cold with wind in south east. got up early and blacksmithed until 6 O'clock. the Boys attempted to make Brick but were soon compelled to quit. rained off and on all Day.

May 22 Cloudy & wet having rained all night. some of us got in Saw logs. got it cut into lumber for the everlasting Tyle shed. we worked at that all Day. rained most of the Day. so cold that nothing planted can grow.

May 23 Cloudy & wet. is still raining slowly & wind blows cold. all hands worked at the tyle shed. got it all weatherboarded up nicely. rained and was cold all Day but we kept a fire and was comfortable. it seems allmost cold enough to snow. no corn planted yet and were it planted would be of no use as it would certainly not before it would sprout.

May 24 Clear and pleasant. looks encouraging out of Doors this morning but as it cleared off in the night will not last long. we all worked about the Tyle shed until noon. in afternoon we took in 8000 Brick. Bought 2 Barrels of Flour cost 31 50/100 Doll (high). the yard is now in good order for making Brick.

May 25 Cloudy & cold. will rain as soon as the weather moderates. the Boys made 8000 Brick part of them in the rain. made some bolts for Engine & some other schores. got a letter from Mary Gilbert Chester Co Penn.

May 26 Cloudy & wet. rained until about 10 O'clock. attended church. in afternoon I went over to Chestnuts Brickyard. wrote a letter to Mary Gilbert of Chester Co Penn. cleared off towards evening.

May 27 Clear & frosty. making brick to Day. I went Down towards Lisbon to see Mr Berger one of the County Commissioners. got back at noon. threatened rain. before night. a little sprinkle about noon. got out our Days work of Brick.

May 28 Cloudy but with less indications of Rain. all is now going right. will be ready to plant corn tomorrow if it Does not rain. got out 8000 Brick. took my Coon skins to get them tanned. about 5 O'clock it rained hard. will be too wet for a week to plant corn.

May 29 Cloudy with lots of rain last night. some Dug clay in forenoon. some are unwell. in afternoon we planted some of our corn. it will be wetter before it is much dryer. I worked a little at my Engine. got it ready to being Down. Sun sett clear but we covered our Brick.

May 30 Cloudy & cool with some indications of more rain. the Boys got up early and went to making Brick. I went over and got Wiley to help me take in Brick. we got along well. cleared off in afternoon and is pleasant at sunsett. Bought 200 lb of Hams & Shoulders cost 25 Dollars.

May 31 Clear & warm. everything looks cheerful this morning. got up early & Done some little jobs that had to be Done. I have plenty to keep me busy. Sett Brick all Day got along well. the Boys made 12000 Brick to Day the most I ever had made in one Day.

Jun 1 Clear & pleasant. no frost. got up early spaded up a square in the garden. sett out 35 very fine Tomatoes plants before breakfst. sett brick until 2 O'clock then went Down to John Pows to look at his Bull but Did not like neither Bull nor his price. the Boys got all the brick up and covered.

Jun 2 Cloudy & wet. a little rain in the night. got up in good time. went over into the woods to peal an Oak tree that we cut a few Days ago but found it too Dry. after breakfst I got the Boys to catch Helmans colt on which I got intending to ride him out to Jo Saxons but he behaved so badly that I Dismounted. led him back to Helmans and footed it out to Joes. it rained all the time moderately. I sat with him & talked until noon. took Diner and at 1 O'clock started on foot over to his farm (some 3 miles). walked all over them hunting for his Bull but found him not. went to Jeny Saxons and after taking Supper he hitched to his Buggy and brot me as far as his fathers. from there I walked home arrived about Dusk. Rained hard in afternoon. ground is now too wet to work. one of our fine Calfs Died last night. Dont know what ailed it.

Jun 3 Clear & very fine out at sunrise. hauled Joseph Castlebury 2600 lbs of Hay. took in & sett brick. molded none to Day. clouded up and was cloudy all Day. went up town in evening to hear a lecture by Rev Collyer of Chicago but he missed connection some how and Did not get here. there was consideable Disappoinment.

Jun 4 Clear & warm this morning. got up early & ironed a singletree before breakfast. went to Jacob Forkers to look at some wood belonging to Cris Kineman that he wants to sell me. Bought at 1 25/100 Doll per cord. Forker agreed to haul it for one Dollar per cord. sett brick the Ballance of the Day. at noon it clouded up suddenly & rained some but not much. covered the Brick in time. met Hugh Steward at 6 O'clock PM and he & I set a corner stone where our land corners. the stake had rotted away but we found portions of it Deep Down that served as a guide. we put a stone in that will last while water runs. Rained at Six O'clock. little Nora is Poorly this afternoon and evening.

Jun 5 Clear & pleasant. sett brick and tile. in afternoon some finished planting our corn. the ballance finished setting the brick. Paid Elton 10 Dollars on account of sowing. owe him 3 yet. pleasant all Day.

Jun 6 Clear & warm. got up early. hung 2 more of our gates. am hanging them as I can. worked at the Kiln got it nearly ready to smear. very warm to Day. got a letter from D P Holloway & Co Dated Washington City June 4-67 in which they me for 5 Dollars said to owing to them from me but I have their receipt for it.

Jun 7 Clear & warm. got our all cased and smeared. sett fire to it at 6 O'clock. heavy rain from northeast. considerable thunder. the Boys made some brick intending to get out early tomorrow but the rain has spoiled their calculations. Margaret Wisner visited us to Day.

Jun 8 Cloudy & wet. some made fence. Dug up stumps cleared out our other brick shed. haled Down our Engine & put it to its place etc etc. Bill Mercer tended the Kiln. Dave Moore & John Jones washed our sheep. Jerry Bizzles Daughter buried to Day. Margaret & Nora went to Thomas Wilsons visiting. had a good time.

Jun 9 Cloudy at Daylight but at 8 O'clock is clear & warm. I attended the Kiln last night and shall Do the Same to Day. Margaret attended church. little Nora stayed with me at the Brick Kiln. Pleasant all Day.

Jun 10 Clear & very pleasant. Wiley and I attended the Kiln. the Boy made 8000 brick by noon. Jacob Forker is hauling the wood I bought of Cris Kineman. our kiln is Doing fine. some of the boys went swimming. caught a fine mess of fish.

Jun 11 Clear & warm. got up 8000 brick. some indications of rain at sunsett. Wiley & I are burning the brick. Kiln is Doing well.

Jun 12 Cloudy & wet. rained tremendous last night with some hard thunder. made our wood quite too wet for comfort. Wiley went home this morning. is too wet to make brick and have plenty of help to burn. some of the boys hauled shingles & boards for Wileys house.

Jun 13 Cloudy & wet with plenty or Rain last night. can make no brick to Day. Wiley is chopping at Jacob Forkers. Mercer & Bowman tended the Kiln to Day. some Done a little work at the tile Kiln. some took in a few Brick etc etc.

Jun 14 Clear & fine. Benj & I attended the Kiln last night. shut it up this morning. made 10000 brik to Day. Ben & I hauled sand this afternoon. the carpenters are finishing Wileys house. Wiley is taking in brik. Mary Yengling visit.

Jun 15 Cloudy & wet. commenced raining about Daylight. some took in Brick. Ben Bowman & I went out to Israel Shreves after a shed Pole. Bowman had the misfortune to let the axe glance and cut the cord of charlies hind leg so nearly off as to ruin him for work this sumer if even he gets well. we left him with Israel to Do the best he can with him. Borrowed a horse of David Strawn to help bring our pole home. Done nothing in afternoon. called at Major Cowans for some clothes I had engaged and was to be Done one week ago but to my great mortification they were yet undone. I never was more Disappointed in my life but it isnow too late to get them anywhere. so I must Do without them.

Jun 16 Cloudy & wet with a little more rain this morning. went out to Israel Shreves to see my crippled horse. he is very bad off this morning. got back at 9 O'clock. Margaret & I attended church had an excellent sermon. spent the afternoon and took Diner at Joels. Anna Norris was married at 10 O'clock to Lyman Kendall of Des Moines of Iowa. had a very pleasant time. a large and agreeable company. rained several showers through the Day.

Jun 17 Cloudy & foggy but at 6 O'clock looks as though it would clear off. sett brick until noon. made brick in afternoon. Ben is working the corn.

Jun 18 Cloudy & every indications of rain. got up early went up town. got mortar ready to build chimney in Wileys house. Dave Yengling came on at 1 O'clock and put it up by 3 O'clock. rained about 8 O'clock AM. Dennis Weis has a felin on his finger. Geo Henshilwood is working in his place. got out good brick.

Jun 19 Clear & warm. got Wileys house ready for the plasterers. Wileys is taking in brick. I sett what brick I could in evening. I went over to Zadok S Frenchs and bought a Horse for 175 Dollars. Isaac Snyder Paid me 50 Dollars on a lot of brick he bought. got a letter from Abon.

Jun 20 Cloudy in the west at sunrise. some indications of rain. am hauling brick with my new Horse. he performs first rate. covered our brick.

Jun 21 Clear & warm no rain. got up early uncovered the brick before breakfast. hauling brick. getting along well on the yard. Pidgeon has his Kiln on fire to Day.

Jun 22 Clear & warm. bought some steak cost 18 cts per lb. removed casing before breakfast. hauled brick until noon. in afternoon went out to Israel Shreves to see my wounded horse. found him much worse than I had expected. I now consider him worthless. got all our brick up and covered.

Jun 23 Clear & warm. we all out to John Gordons to the Congregational Pic Nic. had a pleasant time. come home by and took tea with Harriet Arners. got home about sunsett. spent the evening at Joels. Isaac Norris his Daughter Annie her husband (Lymon Kendall) all leave for Illinois to morrow at noon. cloudy with some indications of Rain. have all our brick covered.

Jun 24 Clear & warm. wind in East. all going right on the yard now. Sett Brick this afternoon. got along very well. some cloudy but not much prospect of Rain.

Jun 25 Clear & warm. bought 230 cts worth of beef. will make us but 2 meals. costs a great deal to live. clouded up at 4 O'clock & threatened rain but none fell here. hauled brick all Day.

Jun 26 Cloudy & Dull with a little rain last night. the Boys made their Days work of brick by noon and in afternoon went fishing & caught a fine mess. one of the largest Bass I ever saw. hauled Brick all Day. bought the lath for Wileys house. 1600 hundred cost 8.80 cts.

Jun 27 Cloudy & Dull. got up early and mended a shovel before breakfast. I can get but little rest. hauled brick all Day. threatened Rain but it all went south. great weather to make brick. Bought Barrel of Flour cost 12.75 cts.

Jun 28 Clear & warm. must now get our buckwheat patch ready. sett Brick & made mortar for Wileys House. am making lots of Brick. weather as good as can be for that business.

Jun 29 Clear & warm. Ben & I cleaned off and fenced in the Buckwheat patch by noon. in afternoon I helped Wiley make mortar. got one coat on his house. collected a little money. Paid it out for one thing & another. it takes a sight of money to go a little ways now.

Jun 30 Clear & very pleasant breeze all Day. had considerable company all Day. Emma Walker Geo Hinchcliffe Jeremiah Saxon & wife & several others among them Geo Gordon. had a very comfortable time. covered our brick as there is a Dark cloud hanging in the northwest (wish it would rain).

Jul 1 Clear & warm with every indication of Rain Disappeared. I attended the Plasterer to Day. he got the house finished. fire broke out in Lenharts stable. burned the upper story off. the Engines Done good service. making brick Rappidly.

Jul 2 Clear & very pleasant. got up early went to meat market and hung a gate before breakfst. sett brick all Day. Ben got our Buckwheat sowed. Sis is right sick.

Jul 3 Clear & warm. got up at Dawn of Day. walked out to Israel Shreves to see my crippled Horse. found him better. got him out of the Stable & turned him out to pasture. got back by 6 O'clock. sett Brick until noon. in afternoon went out to Samuel Streets Dairy farm and bought a cheese. weighed 86 1/2 lb cost 11 24/100 Doll.

Jul 4 Clear & warm. Big Day in town to Day. 3 fire companies here from Canton & Massilon. they competed with the Salem Engines for a Silver trumpet. the Washington Engine from Canton won the first Prize. Vigilant from Salem won the second & the Rescue of Massilon won the third. all Past off with Satisfaction. had a good Baloon assention with various side shows swings etc etc. 20000 People were supposed to be here. had a splendid rain at 4 O'clock.

Jul 5 Cloudy & wet. sett & hauled Brick. some of our hands Did not work. Brick Dried slow to Day. Wiley took in his accustomed Days work (8000).

Jul 6 Cloudy. got up early. went up and bought 12 lb of good steak cost 2 00/100 Doll. sett & hauled Brick. got 2 cars loaded to go to Enon Valley. cleared off.

Jul 7 Clear & warm. looks now as though the weather was settled. attended church. Rained about 12 O'clock. I awaited its stopping after which I went out to Israel Shreves & brot my wounded Horse home. met Wm Elkins up Town. he is a cousin from Philadelphia. he looks as though he indulged in Lager Beer. David Yengling & his wife spent a short time with us in afternoon. glad to have them Do so.

Jul 8 Cloudy & Dull but cleared off. made 8000 Bricks. hauled several away to Day. Cousin Wm Elkins & his wife a Mr Baldwin & Lady all of Philadelphia visited us this afternoon. Mother Hise & Uncle Silas and several others were here also.

Jul 9 Clear & pleasant. got up early bought 9 lb of steak. made 8000 Brick & hauled Brick. getting along very well. the plasterer finished Wileys House to Day.

Jul 10 Clear & cool. bought 10 lb of steak. made bridge & graded our lane. made 8000 Brick. splendid weather for getting in hay but we are not yet at it.

Jul 11 Clear & cool. bought 10 3/4 lb of steak. we are now consuming 70 lb of Beef per week. hauled Brick. made 8000 Do. rained a little about 6 O'clock PM.

Jul 12 Cloudy & cool but Does not look like rain. hauled in the little hay we got off the

thicket. Ben & George hoed the corn & Potatoes. Wm Boyd of Enon Valley to whom I sent 8000 Brick sent the money to me to Day (64 Dollars) by an aged man whom I suspect is his father. it enabled me to pay of my note in Bank. it was not Due for 6 or 8 Days but I like to pay when I can. ground our cradle scythe. want to cut our wheat tomorrow. clear at sunsett. all appearances of rain vanished. little Nora is quite unwell. is sleeping soundly as I write at 8 O'clock PM.

Jul 13 Clear & cool. wind in northwest. cut our wheat. made 8000 Brick. Bought a sett of Second hand Double harness for which I am to pay 15 Dollars. money is getting scarce with me. am not selling many brick. Sis& Nora has took a Ride over to Father Goulbourns this afternoon. weather is very pleasant.

Jul 14 Clear & warm. Ben & I went Down to Leetonia and looked it over. they are building two large Blast furnaces and a good many Dwelling houses. got back about 3 O'clock.

Jul 15 Clear & warm at sunrise but I fancied I could see indications of rain in the south west. we had 26000 Dry brick on the yard. some of the Boys took them all in by noon when it commenced raining. the Ballance of us sett brick.

Jul 16 Cloudy with a good rain last night. think it is over for present. commenced mowing to Day. sett brick.

Jul 17 Clear as a bell all Day. mowed some and hauled in what was Dry. all of one meadow is in. sett & hauled brick.

Jul 18 Clear & cloudy at intervals. Does look like being a good hay Day. cut Down & got in another meadow. still setting Brick. setting along with all our work about right. Margaret is very sick. sent for the Doctor this afternoon.

Jul 19 Cloudy but no rain coming just yet. sett Brick & took in Hay. Margaret is better. weather fine. got 3 meadows in.

Jul 20 Clear & warm. fine weather as can be. sett Brick all Day. Ben & a couple of the Boys hauled in our wheat raked the stubble & got the shelvings full which Paid.

Jul 21 Clear & pleasant. laid the pavement in front of our House. it looks nice and is good. in afternoon I went over to see Philip Evans. had a pleasant talk with him. he & I are intimate. I value him as a Particular friend. got home about 6 O'clock. Margret is still improving but is yet weak and miserable. a slight attack of the fever caused by over taxing herself. she must not loose her rest or she is sure to suffer by it.

Jul 22 Clear & warm. got up early. George & I hauled 2 loads of Brick to Mrs Watterworth before breakfast. Ben mowed Down 4 acres of grass and in afternoon raked it all up. hauled in 2 load & cocked up the Ballance. the Brickmakers made 8000 Brick to

Day.

Jul 23 Clear & warm. hauled Mrs Watterworth 2 more load of Brick before breakfast. think she now has enough. mowed Down nearly all our grass. hauled one load in and put the Ballance up in cock. Just as we got Done we had a fine shower. it was much needed.

Jul 24 Clear and pleasant. looks this morning as if the rain was over. we went to work cut Down the ballance of our grass. spread out what got wet yesterday. Dried it and got all into the Barn. we are now Done except our Oats. cloudy but no rain here.

Jul 25 Cloudy & Dull. molded 4000 Brick the last we shall make this sumer. sett brick. want to finish up as soon as possible and go to making Drain tyle again. shall pay off some of our hands.

Jul 26 Cloudy & Dull. sett brick. settled with and Paid off Thomes Post 32 Dollars. clay has about played out and we must quit. Hamilton Howel Paid me 100 Dollars on his Brother Yerkes account.

Jul 27 Cloudy & warm. cased at the Kiln & filled 2 pits in forenoon. in afternoon Done nothing. all hands are idle at the yard. Benj & John Jones hauled wood all Day. I put the glass in Wileys House. he must now move into it or the Boys will tear it Down.

Jul 28 Cloudy & Dull. got up at 5 O'clock went Down to the yard and covered the end of the Kiln. glazed in 48 lights of glass in Wileys house before breakfast. walked over to Father Goulbourns. took Diner and talked awhile & come home. had a fine rain.

Jul 29 Clear & pleasant. worked about the yard all Day. Wiley moved to Day. in evening I settled with Wm Mercer Dave Moore Dave Donally. gave each of them my obligation for what I owed them. shall pay 2 of them tomorrow.

Jul 30 Clear & pleasant. one sett of hands making Brik. Jones & I sett Brik. Wiley filled a pit & Dug a well at his house. I walled it up for him after 6 O'clock. it is but 5 feet Deep. Paid Donnelly off & Paid Wm Mercer 7 Dollars all he wants at present. Mrs Watterworth paid me 40 Dollars owes me 22 84/100 Doll yet.

Jul 31 Clear & pleasant. Maggie Jones is here on a short visit. sett some brick cased at the Kiln etc. the boys made 4000 brick to Day. have now a great plenty to finish our Kiln. must now get it on fire as soon as possible. some cloudy at sunsett. Ben cut our Timothy seed. Chessman & wife are both sick. have the Disentary. Anne Stafford came to Day.

Aug 1 Cloudy & cool. sett some Brick & cased at the Kiln. got it nearly Done. rained considerable about 5 O'clock PM. Fannie Stafford is here to Day.

Aug 2 Cloudy but soon cleared off. worked at our Kiln. got it nearly ready to fire. Done

a Big Days work.

Aug 3 Clear & cool. got very early. bought beef & blacksmithed until breakfast. got our Kiln ready and fired it about 3 O'clock PM.

Aug 4 Clear & warm. attended the Kiln. am not well have taken a cold in my head & face but the work is light and I can Do it. Robt Hillis is burried to Day. he was a good man in life and Doubtless will share the good mans Reward.

Aug 5 Clear & warm. Wiley & I run the Kiln to Day. the Ballance Done something else. water smoke is off at noon.

Aug 6 Clear & warm. Kiln is Doing fine. heavy rain went both north & south of us but we got none. Benj is cutting oats.

Aug 7 Clear & warm. no rain here yet. all hands are engaged burning. the Kiln is Doing fine. another good shower went north of us this afternoon. we still escape.

Aug 8 Clear & warm with every indications of rain vanished. Kiln is getting along very well. I am getting tired. have stuck to it all the time.

Aug 9 Clear & warm. want to finish our Kiln to Day. looks some like rain. Did rain in places in sight of us but none fell here. Benj & Dennis is working at the Oats. shut the Kiln.

Aug 10 Clear & warm. Repaired our cistern pump in forenoon. in afternoon gathered up a little money & Paid it to the hands. are now Done with all of them but John Jones. he will stay and help me haul brick & make tyle. rained a very little this afternoon.

Aug 11 Clear & warm. got up early and picked some blackberries. Peter Heitman is here to Day on a short visit. I worked some on a Cane but loafed around home most of the Day. went with Peter to the Depot as he is to leave on the 1/2 past 5 train. found Joel & Sarah Brother Jacob & Mary Anne here when I came back. had a little chat but the little ones getting sleepy (we each had one) we soon Dispersed and each one went his way and was soon in Bed.

Aug 12 Clear & warm this morning. Wm Bowman his Brother Jerome & Thomas Post commenced making brick for me and Boarding themselves. I am now going to get ready to make tile. I worked all Day at my Boiler repairing it. Jones & Benj finished getting in the Oats.

Aug 13 Clear & warm. shod 2 of the Horses. hooped our wagon. cleared off. casing etc etc. ready to haul brick tomorrow. Mary Yengling is with us. she is unwell &her husband is from home. had a splendid rain about 8 O'clock PM.

Aug 14 Clear at sunrise but is cloudy up in west. will in all probability have more rain soon. Opened our Kiln. it is pretty nice. hauled out 6000. Put up one of our shed poles. clear at sunsett and no sign of rain.

Aug 15 Clear & cool. hauled brick and put on one of our sheds. am very tired. the Boys are getting along well making Brick.

Aug 16 Clear & cool. Margaret & I went to Lisbon. took our wool exchanged it for flannel & stocking yarn. Put up at the Hotel. took Diner met the County Commissioners. had a conference in regard to extension of boro limits. they are coming up on next wendsday to look the ground over and Decide how much they will allow attached to the present limits. I am in hopes they will leave me out as I have as much tax to pay now as I can raise. Philip Evans accompanied us rode with us in our Carriage.

Aug 17 Clear & warm. got up early and bought some beef. Do not feel well enough to eat any of it this morning. hauled brick all Day. sold 3000 to go to Enon Valley F S D Witherspoon. he Paid me the money $2400. I gave him a receipt for the Same. want to load the Car on Monday. got another shed pole. Drug it on the ground. payed all the hands off.

Aug 18 Clear & warm. is now very Dry. stayed about home most of the Day. am quite too tired to move about much. Margaret & I took Diner with Brother Jacob. in afternoon as it looked some like rain I went to the Brickyard and secured the brick. went Down to the Depot at 5 O'clock PM. heavy thunder in the north.

Aug 19 Clear & warm. Put up our shed pole and put on some shed. hauled Brick with 2 teams. am in a close place for a Day or two. hauled $99.70 worth of Brick to Day. sent 3000 of them to S D Witherspoon of Enon Valley. a fine rain about 9 O'clock PM.

Aug 20 Cloudy & Dull. the boys made some brick but was forced to quit for want of Sand. we hauled them a load at noon. Florrine Johnson arrived at noon accompanied with her Son Charlie aged 5 months. cleared off toward evening. hauled Brick all Day.

Aug 21 Clear & warm. bought beef. hauled Brick. showed the Commissioners around our Farm. they are looking the ground over with a view to enlarge the Boro limits of Salem. some of us protest against having the farm incorporated as it costs us enough to keep it now.

Aug 22 Cloudy & pleasant in the morning but soon clouded up but not rain clouds. very Dry. hauled brick all Day. am kept very busy.

Aug 23 Clear & warm this morning. hauled brick as fast as possible all Day. no prospect of rain yet. Flo is sick abed.

Aug 24 Clear at sunrise but at 6 O'clock is cloudy all over head. John Jones is sick and

has gone home this morning. before breakfast hauled brick until 4 O'clock. collected some money. Paid off all the hands. Bill Mercer is here to supper.

Aug 25 Clear & warm. spent the entire Day at home. am too tired to wander about. Brothe Jesse & family spent the afternoon with us. Bill Mercer stayed all night and took breakfast with us. Jim Henshilwood came out. brot his pictures which he has many. took a look at them they are rather nice.

Aug 26 Clear & warm. hauled brick all Day. Benj commenced Plowing our wheat ground. Kate returned this evening. a little rain about sunsett but not enough to lay the Dust. is now very Dry.

Aug 27 Clear & warm. got up early & bought beef. wrote a line enclosing ten Dollars to G F Shield of New Lisbon to pay my License for manufacture of Brick in 1867. hauled brick all Day. no sign of rain yet.

Aug 28 Cloudy with wind in Southwest. is yet very Dry. the wind even feels Dry but at 10 O'clock. commenced to Rain. was considerable wet through the Day but we hauled Brick. at about 9 O'clock PM is raining fine.

Aug 29 Clear & cool with a good rain last night. got up early went out to Israel Shreves to get his son to Dress an owl one that Bill Bowman killed. the largest one I ever Saw. hauled brick. Paid Lizzie Heitman off 13 Dollars. she is going to get married on the 10th of next month.

Aug 30 Clear & cool. lacked but little of having frost. hauled brick all Day. got considerable money. Paid it out where I owed it. clear & cool all Day. got a line from John McCowen of East Palestine containing a 5 Dollar Bill to pay for Brick.

Aug 31 Clear & cool. hauled brick until noon. put 550 first rate brick on a Car for John McCowen of East Palestine. they will not go Down before monday. Paid our brick hands all off. am now even with them. want to keep so if possible.

Sep 1 Clear & warm all Day. made a jack for hoisting wagon to grease it. took me very near the whole Day. Dave & Mary Yengling called out a few minutes & a Mr David. he wants to try to introduce my Rail Road Coupling but I have no confidence in him.

Sep 2 Clear & cool. hauled one load of Brick and threshed wheat. Broke Tom (our new horse) to the Machine. he was very much afraid of it but soon got over it and performed quite well.

Sep 3 Cloudy but not much prospects of Rain. we are now ready to Sow our wheat but is so Dry we hesitate to Do it. think we will wait a few Days. hauled Brick in afternoon.

Sep 4 Clear & warm. hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon I made a pick & some other

articles ready to Dig a well. Dug about two feet or so as to have a start.

Sep 5 Clear & warm. Ben & I Dug at the well until noon then prepared for hauling out the Dirt by Horse power. Bought 72 feet of rope cost 4 56/100 Doll.

Sep 6 Cloudy but little prospects of rain. worked at the well until about 3 PM when it commenced to Rain and we forced to knock off. Did not continue long.

Sep 7 Clear & warm as usual. worked at our well until noon. knocked off then and hauled some brick. coming home met Isac Fretz and traded Horses with him. gave him 25 Dollars to boot. am cheated I expect but will grin and bear it if I am. when I got home found Rebecca Sholdfield (who is now 84 years of age) and her Daughter Rachel here on a short visit. they were our next Door neighbors 48 years ago and right glad were we all to see them once more. by the Rebecca & her husband David Scholdfield (who has been Dead 5 or 6 years) was the first couple Married in Salem. she tells me her entire neighborhood as it then was (in 1805) was at the wedding. should all the neighborhood assemble now on a like occasion there would hardly be grub enough found to feast them unless every one furnished their own. Siste Una & her Daughter Anne Brother Jacob & his wife took tea with us as Did our Mother also. at Dark they all Dispersed to their several homes leaving us comparatively alone. I soon went to bed.

Sep 8 Clear & warm. spent most of the Day at home. Margaret spent the afternoon at Mrs Walkers in Town. had Nora with her.

Sep 9 Clear & warm. hauled Brick in forenoon. worked our new mare. she performed well. in afternoon we worked at the well. Jacob Brinker made me an offer for our new mare but there is yet five Dollars between us. he will have to come to my terms if he gets her.

Sep 10 Cloudy & wet this morning having rained a good shower last night. sowed our wheat to Day. the ground is in excellent order. hauled some brick but in afternoon I Done nothing. Jacob Brinker came for the mare. Paid 115 Dollars and took her home.

Sep 11 Clear & cool with some frost. John Jones took in Brick. Ben finished up our wheat field. in after we hauled brick.

Sep 12 Clear & warm. worked at the well all Day. I Dug & Benj attended the Bucket. sunk it 9 feet 8 inches which is Doing pretty well for one that is not a professed Digger. I am 54 years old to Day. feel a little the worse of wear but am a pretty good man yet (Phisically).

Sep 13 Clear & Pleasant. worked at the well. Benj Dug to Day. very hard Digging but he got it Down nearly 8 feet. we have a little water 37 feet Down where we stop for the Day. rained about Dark. was cloudy considerable of the afternoon.

Sep 14 Clear & cool. can Do nothing at the well to Day. must haul brick as that is where our money comes from we must attend to it. hauled Brick most of the Day. Paid John Jones 20 Dollars.

Sep 15 Clear & warm. spent the forepart of the Day at home. in afternoon Margaret Nora & I took a Ride out to John Gordons. his Brother George is with him confined to his bed with Rheumatism.

Sep 16 Cloudy & warm. Dug at the well to Day in shelly Rock. sunk it 4 1/2 feet. it is now 41 1/2 feet Deep and Down to sollid rock.

Sep 17 Cloudy & warm. Dug at the well awhile and concluded to consult some one of more experience in well Digging. went out and got George Noosebaum who went Down and examined and reported favorabley. we accordingly Dug on and by night found considerable water.

Sep 18 Clear & hot. to Day we shall Do nothing at the well. the Republican Candidate for Governor of Ohio (General Hayes) is to adress us to Day. we are all going to hear him. we have been and are well Satisfied that we went. a vast crowd is in from the county and not a Drunk man in the lot. rained a little after Dark.

Sep 19 Clear & warm. Margaret Myself Benj & Ed Hise all went to Alliance To hear General Logan on the Political topics of the Day. some 15000 persons were present. all passed off quietly. we got home about 8 O'clock PM. Logan made a great speech as good as I ever listened to.

Sep 20 Clear & warm. curbed our well and Dug some at it. clouded up suddenly in afternoon and we had a heavy blow & rain. it lasted but a few minutes. J G Hise Son of William Hise of Iowa and Tina Sharpnack arrived at 9 O'clock this morning. their arrival at this time was quite unexpected. shod one of our Horses.

Sep 21 Clear & Pleasant. worked on the roads until noon. in afternoon Benj & I worked at the well. got it about 43 feet & a half Deep with some water but not enough.

Sep 22 Clear & pleasant. stopped hog holes this morning. Tom Sharps hogs have Destroyed lots of my corn. cannot keep them out as I see. Paschall Seed his wife Tina Sharpnack & J G Hise are with us to Day.

Sep 23 Clear & cool. hired Aaron Henshilwood to help Benj cut up our corn & Wiley & I worked at the well. it is now 47 feet Down with very little if any more water. shall Dig it no Deeper but will bore Down & see what is below.

Sep 24 Clear & cool. turned Sharps hogs in the road as I know not what else to Do with them. cannot keep them out of our corn. spent the Day in Town. Ben is cutting corn with Aaron Henshilwood to help him. got a letter from Bro George of Iowa telling me

that he could sell my land for 500 Dollars (80 Acres).

Sep 25 Clear & windy. every evidence of being Dry. wrote a letter to George & told him to sell my land. got a Drill. must Drill in the well as we have not water enough. Drilled 4 feet this afternoon.

Sep 26 Cloudy & cool but cleared off toward night. Done nothing at the well to Day. the Boys finished cutting our corn. I worked some at a little wagon I am repairing.

Sep 27 Clear & cool. Drilled some in the well but the rock is much harder 6 feet Down. we are now Down 53 feet. in afternoon we hauled Brick. Bought 1 1/2 bushel of Peaches cost 1 Dollar per bushel.

Sep 28 Clear & pleasant. Wiley Dug in the well. Benj took the Dirt away. I hauled Brick in forenoon. the Boys finished making brick to Day. have 154000 Done well. I Paid them all off except Wm Bowman & Tom Post. owe the latter 556 cts. now if we only had them burned but we must finish the well first.

Sep 29 Clear & cool. Done nothing to Day. our well appears to have plenty of water in it. clouded up in afternoon. is windy and cold. Alfonzo Sheets is with us to Day. he & Golie Hise. we all put in the Day very comfortable.

Sep 30 Cloudy & cool. commenced Drawing water out of the well. found it a Big job. must 15 or 20 Barrels of water in it. got out & walled it up some 6 or 7 foot. am in great hopes we have a good well. had Dip water frequently to keep it out of my way while walling but at night think I have the wall out of the way

Oct 1 Clear & cool. stiff frost. walled at the well. getting along well. have it walled up about 15 feet. Big job. have some cold got too wet yesterday.

Oct 2 Clear & pleasant at sunrise but soon clouded up & threatened rain but none fell. Sis & Edwin Hise went to Canfield to the Fair. Golie Hise & Tina Sharpnack went with them. Golie stoped up there to visit his Friends. got along fine with the well. took the curb out and got it walled up so far as to secure it against caving. we have a gig contract on hand with it but it must be finished before we Do anything else.

Oct 3 Cloudy but no rain nor prospect of any. walled at the well. have it walled up about 29 feet when we quit this evening. John W Thomas Paid me 114 80/100 Doll a payment that came Due on the first of last May but it is just as well now as it could have been then.

Oct 4 Cloudy & cool. I am up before Daylight and after kindling a little fire am writing up my journal having been to busy the last Day or two to attend it. Aaron Henshilwood is hauling Stone for us. got along with the well first rate. am now within about 14 feet of the top.

Oct 5 Cloudy & wet. Blowed and rained hard last night accompanied with heavy thunder and lightning. worked Diligently at the well all Day. cleared off and wether is fine again. Paid off a note in Bank of 100 Dollars. glad I could Do it.

Oct 6 Clear & cool. put in the Day at home. Done some work on our little waggon and made a plaything for Nora. Golie retuned from Canfield to Day. we had considerable company as usual on Sundays.

Oct 7 Clear & cool. got up early went to Town & bought some excellent beef. hauled Brick in forenoon. in afternoon Benj hauled a load of Sand. I Done nothing.

Oct 8 Clear & cool. hauled some brick and worked at the well. to Day is Election. Ben & I vote early. clouded up & rained.

Oct 9 Cloudy & Dull. finished our well and am glad of it. I think we have a good one. it is 50 feet Deep. I Dug most of it and walled it all up. took a great Deal of Pains to make it strong. the wall is thick it took about 33 wagon loads of Stone to wall it. water is nice & clear. J G Hise Drove our Mare to Warren. rained in afternoon.

Oct 10 Clear at sunrise but clouded up. is cool and windy. Ben cut our Buckwheat. I made a temporary windlass for our well. want to make a good one as soon as I can. hauled a few Brick. in afternoon we cleaned out the well. I went Down & cleaned everything out and is now very nice. amProud of it. took our Borrowed tools home.

Oct 11 Cloudy & cool. Bill Bowman & I commenced setting our Brick. Ben hauled wood & Done up Schores about the farm.

Oct 12 Cloudy & wet. Rained all the forenoon. sett Brick all Day got along well. J G Hise & Tina got Back from Warren to Day. Siser Lizzie Wait is Down on a short visit (from Ravenna). cloudy & Dull with moderate showers through the Day.

Oct 13 Cloudy & cool. went out to Geo Noosebaums to see his Double windlass. want to make one for our well. in afternoon Margaret Nora & I went over to Father Goulbourns. J G Hise went with us. he & I took a walk Down to Sells Saw Mill. he staid at Father Goulbourns. cleared off and at sunsett is fine weather again.

Oct 14 Clear & pleasant. sett Brick. Wm Mercer commenced this morning. he is going to help us sett & ____ them. got along well. weather fine. Ben Sowed our Timothy seed.

Oct 15 Clear & Pleasant. wrote a letter to & sent a Deed to Geo Hise of Iowa. the Deed conveys 80 Acres of land to Isaac Dunman. Dont know whether he will accept the terms nor Do I care. sett brick all Day. got along well.

Oct 16 Clear & Pleasant. it is now Indian Sumer. we are still Setting brick. are in a

great hurry to get Done. have a great Deal of work to Do this fall yet. Hannah Carsley visited us to Day. was glad to see her.

Oct 17 Clear & warm. weather still as fine as can be. we are all busy setting Brick. fear we shall not get Done before the weather sett in cold. Digging the well put us behind with our usual work but it is worth all the rest.

Oct 18 Clear & warm. still setting Brick. getting along well. shall have a good sized Kiln. Read some this evening in Dr Kanes Arctic Expedition. he had a hard time and lived but a short time after his return.

Oct 19 Clear & warm. Sett brick all Day. are getting along well. weather continues fine as can be.

Oct 20 Clear & Pleasant. sat about home all Day. mended a stove plate for John Weaver. several persons called on us as usual through the Day. little Nora is some unwell. J G Hise returned this Evening. he went as far as New York city. went for a ride and to see the cities of Pittsburgh Philadelphia New York etc etc. a little cloudy at sunsett.

Oct 21 Cloudy & Dull with some indications of Rain. sett brick all Day. got nearly Done. Nora is quite poorly to Day. rained a little. Cloudy & Dull but no rain last night. finished setting brick and cleaned up around the Kiln ready to case it. John Hunts stable was Burned to Day making 5 in all within a few Days. they have now caught the little Rascal that has Done all the mischief. he will now be taken care of. Sister Elizabeth Wait is with us. Nora has the Doctor to Day who says she has an attack of Fever.

Oct 23 Clear & cool. all appearances of Rain has vanished. Nora seems a little better this morning. J G Hise started for his home in Iowa. Tina Sharpnack went with him. they will stop a Day at Ashland Ohio. all hands casing at the Kiln.

Oct 24 Clear & cool. stiff frost this morning. clear all Day not a cloud to be seen. got our Kiln nearly cased up. Sister Lizzie is Down to Sarahs to Day. Mother Hise is with us a couple of Days but must go to see how they are getting along up at Jesses. Nora is still quite poorly.

Oct 25 Clear & cool. not so much frost as we had on yesterday morning. repaired my wagon before breakfast. Nora is better this morning but Does not want to set up much. got our Kiln cased up and abbutments thrown up. nothing to Do now but smear it then it is ready to fire.

Oct 26 Clear & warmer than yesterday morning. smeared our Kiln and sett fire to it about 4 O'clock PM. Benj hauled wood from Job Lambourns.

Oct 27 Clear & Pleasant. very smokey. real Indian Sumer. if it will only last a few Days

longer so that we may get our Brick burned. Old Mrs Weaver widow of Emon T WEaver found dead in her Bed this morning. she had complained but little. I attended the Kiln all Day. warming up nicely

Oct 28 Cloudy & wet. commenced to Rain about 3 O'clock this morning and continued all the Day. we was forced to haul wood all Day in the wet. I got wet to the skin.

Oct 29 Cloudy & wet. rained the whole night and at 8 O'clock AM is still at it. must haul wood. slacked up raining but is very muddy. our Kiln is Doing well notwithstanding it is wet.

Oct 30 Clear at sunrise but in afternoon clouded up and commenced raining. wind hauled around to northwest and about Dusk it commenced to snow and continued all night. must have fallen some six inches. was a hard night on us at the Kiln but Wiley & I weathered it through.

Oct 31 Cloudy & cold. Disagreeable wind from northwest but the snow Disappeared through the Day. our Kiln is Doing fine. sell a few Brick but not many. got a letter from J G Hise. he arrived safe at home on last Saturday night & found all right.

Nov 1 Cloudy & cool. plenty of mud. cleared off with a strong wind from Southwest. our Kiln is about burned. got a Barrel of carbon Oil but the Bill I have not got. cannot tell what it cost. shut our Kiln at 11 O'clock PM.

Nov 2 Clear & cool. got up early & bought Beef. Benj & Wiley are Digging our Potatoes. I spent the Day in Town.

Nov 3 Clear & pleasant. worked good part of the Day in shop on a job for Ephraim Murphy. spent the entire Day at home.

Nov 4 Cloudy & cool. Ben & Wiley finished Digging our potatoes. I hauled Brick in forenoon. ground my axe in afternoon. Settled with School Directors got their note for 614.40.

Nov 5 Cloudy & cool. Ben & Wiley husked Corn. I hauled Brick & Done some other schores. in evening settled with Wm Bowman. owed 116 38/100. gave him my Due bill for a Day or two.

Nov 6 Clear & cool. spent the Day in Town. Bought 8 1/2 bushels of winter apples for 70 cts per bushel cheap enough. John Flitcraft an old citizen of Salem Died last night. he came to Salem in 1815 where he has worked at the Carpentering business ever since. lost what he accumulated in his young Days by Bailing a Friend and never could get anything ahead sinceand consequently Died a Poor but an honest Man. he was one of the two Particular Friends of my Father who was Selected by him in his lifetime to lay out hiz Confin when the time arrived. John Sheets (whom they are expecting every hour to Die)

is the other. they are both Old men whose Death although expected will be regretted by many Friends.

Nov 7 Clear & Pleasant weather. we are having a fine time for getting in our corn. I hauled one load of Brick and stopped the Rats out of the Corn Crib. John Flitcraft Burried this afternoon.

Nov 8 Cloudy with a very little rain last night. I put on the Brick shed all is now in complete order for the winter. Louis Townsend Died to Day. he was another Old Citizen of Salem. he Built the first Brick Dwelling House ever built in Salem. is standing yet on Main Street and is now Occupied as a Harness & Collar Manufactory.

Nov 9 Cloudy but no indications of Rain to Day. I directed to money getting. collected and Paid out over two hundred Dollars. Paid to Wm Mercer 95 50/100 Doll and to Wm Bowman 116 Dollars. took supper & spent the evening at Norman Garrigus. fine moon light night as can be. we are having as fine weather as one can ask.

Nov 10 Cloudy & pleasant. got up early took my axe and went Down to Streets & Hilliard woods & marked some timber that I want to hew. after breakfast went out to John Gordons. his Brother is very Sick but I think he will again Rally and get much better if not entirely well. Uncle Silas Howel came to Garrigus while I was there. after taking Diner he & I started for home. he came as far as Thomas Wilsons with me where we both stopped a few minutes. he brot his Coon skin robe that far where he left it all night as they wanted to see it.

Nov 11 Cloudy with every indication of Snow. hitched up my team took Wm Mercers trunk to the Depot and went from there to the Kiln intending to haul Brick but could get no help. started for a load of Sand. before I got Back it commenced to Snow and snowed fast most of the Day. got back just in time to bid Mercer farewell. Uncle was on hand with his Robe. Mercer took it over to Jo Lukens for his Sister Sarah. spent the afternoon up town.

Nov 12 Cloudy with weather a little cool. Ben & I loaded up 30 bushels of ears of Corn. took it to the mill and shelled it. got 6 bushels ground and brot it home with us for Cow feed. snowed most of the Day but melted in the Road but on the grass it lays and looks quite winter like.

Nov 13 Clear at sunrise but is pretty cold. the ground is frozen some and the snow is still here. Ben & I threshed wheat. got along well. wheat is nice but not much of it. takes about 3 Dozen to make one bushell. Pleasant weather.

Nov 14 Clear & cool but is nice weather to husk Corn. Edwin & I cleaned up what wheat we had threshed & took 6 Bushels of it to mill. Ben & Wiley husked corn. I spent the evening in Town.

Nov 15 Cloudy & Pleasant. Ben & Wiley husked corn. I cut timber to hew for Straw Shed that Ben & I contemplate Building. Abram Painter brot me 134 lb of good Beef at 10 cts per lb. let Wiley have 22 lb.

Nov 16 Cloudy & cool but still nice weather for husking corn which Ben & Wiley are still Doing. Ed hauled it in for them. I hauled Brick most of the Day. Spent the early part of the evening at the Chrystal Pallace. Brot home a "Cincinnatti Commercial" containing a Speech of Gen Sherman Delivered before the Army of the Tennessee at St Louis Mo. it was a review of his & their experience in the late Civil War and is very interesting.

Nov 17 Cloudy cool with some indications of Snow. repaired my wagon in forenoon. in afternoon went out to Samuel Frenchs woods to see a large gum tree that has been cut Down. found it Sound enough yet for my purpose. called at Joseph Saxons both going and coming Back. got home about 5 O'clock found Supper about ready and as I was also ready made it comfortable all round.

Nov 18 Clear at sunrise and cool. got up early shod "Old Mike" & Ben & I took him & Tom & went for the gum tree. got it cut up into Saw logs and 4 of them into the Mill. worked late. Did not get home until after Six O'clock. Wiley hauled wood from the Cooper Shop to the Tyle Kiln.

Nov 19 Clear & cold. we went out and finished hauling logs and brot home a load of wood by noon. in afternoon Benj huskled corn. I looked about town & Done but little. fine Indian Sumer as can be. ground Dry & Roads as good as can be. Sold our new Mare (Kate) to Philip Evans for 175 Dollars. she is just what he wanted. kind and good to work.

Nov 20 Clear with fine Indian Sumer yet. Ben & I hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon Benj husked corn. I hauled Brick and went to Mill. Bought a coal grate & front. heard to Day with Sorrow that David Woodruff Died with Yellow Fever away back in Texas. he was an offender against the Law but notwithstanding that I like him much and had up to this Day cherished the hope of again seeing him But now all hope is lost. Peace be his is all I can Do or Say now. I Done what I could for him while he lived and now can Do no more except to cherish his memory.

Nov 21 Clear with fine Indian Sumer as usual. Ben is yet in the corn. I cut timber to hew in forenoon. in afternoon hunted up the Brick layer. Bought a Barrel of white lime & made up a bed of mortar. after Dark took the stove out of the Dining room. tore Down the Mantle and got ready to have the grate built in.

Nov 22 Clear & Indian Sumer as usual. Reason Bricker came on and built in our grate. got Done at 3 O'clock PM. got the room all cleaned up and I am now going to put up the woodwork myself. not Prospect of Rain yet.

Nov 23 Clear & fine Indian Sumer as can be. Ben & Edwin is hauling in the Corn fodder.

I Done the Carpenter work on our Dining Room. Put up the Mantle and got the mortar ready. Brot John Mathews out to plaster it. got Done by Six O'clock. spent some time at Jacob Heatons talking about David Woodruff who Died at 20th 1867 in Montgomery County Texas. read several letters from him etc etc. got home about 9 O'clock.

Nov 24 Clear & Pleasant as usual. made fire in the new grate for the first time. Does fine. repaired our log wagon. in afternoon Isaac Thomas came out and looked the farm over with a view to selling it for me. thinks it will just suit an acquaintence of his at Pittsburgh who wants to settle in this neighborhood.

Nov 25 Cloudy but still pleasant. Edwin & I hauled Johnson Bailie a load of Brick after which he went and brot us a load of coal. I made a new wagon tongue and Done some other schores about the Premises. Ben is yet at the corn. commenced Raining soon after Diner. rained moderately all the afternoon and evening and at Bedtime is still Raining.

Nov 26 Cloudy & wet with wind hauled around in northwest. finished threshing our wheat. cleaned it up and took it to the mill. we have no way to keep it from the Rats here. we had 31 bushels altogether as a crop. hauled in corn fodder until night. no Rain to Day.

Nov 27 Cloudy with wind in the northeast. finished hauling in our fodder & a little corn that is yet in husk. want to turn the Cattle out in the field. in afternoon we hauled Robt Justice 2 loads of Brick & brot home one load of Boards from Williamsons Saw mill. Drizzled Rain a little about Dark.

Nov 28 Cloudy & Dull with every prospect of Rain. this is thanksgiving Day and is being generally observed. But Ben nor I either care particularly about and are shoeing our Horses. hauled up a load of Poles for Rafters for our Straw house & sheep shelter. Rolled a long log out of the wet and hauled a load of wood home.

Nov 29 Cloudy & wet. I shaved out one Dozen axe handles. Ben cleaned out the wood house. rained all Day. toward evening it commenced to turn colder and in Place of rain we are getting snow at 9 O'clock PM.

Nov 30 Cloudy & stormy. snowing and blowing from northwest. two or three inches of Snow Down. brot our sheep in and put them in winter quarters. fixed up the shed for the sheep & calves. spent a portion of the afternoon in Town. Bought Nora a Dolls head cost 1 25/100 Doll. it is for her Birth Day Present. cold all Day and is going to freeze hard to night.

Dec 1 Clear & cold. Nora is five years Old. this morning she is much Pleased with her new Doll. I put in a faithful Day putting in a new hand in one of my seal Skin gloves. my thumbs are both very sore and I am hearty tired of Glove making.

Dec 2 Cloudy & cold. got up early and made a heavy stone pick for Joshua Hilliard then

Benj & I commenced hauling the timber for straw shed. got 5 sticks home. sled runs well.

Dec 3 Cloudy & cold. hauled timber until noon. Margaret & I met Sarah Smith at Joel McMillens where we took Diner. after talking awhile I went over to John Rakestraws to see his fat hogs. Bought 2 of him. came home by Town. Bought a large Copper Boiler for the stove of Snyder & Woodruff cost $6.50. Roads are excellent.

Dec 4 Cloudy & cold. spent the Day in the woods getting timber. I cut & Benj hauled it. Just snow enough to make it comfortable getting about.

Dec 5 Cloudy & cold. finished hauling our timber to Day. spent the evening in Town. Bought a Ready Recorder on Scibners log book. am going to haul logs and want to know just how much we can make in a Day. if it will not Pay I shall soon quit.

Dec 6 Cloudy with fresh breeze blowing from south west. is some warmer and feels some like thawing. commenced raining about 8 O'clock but soon quit. thawed a little all Day. I made a coal house in east side of wood house. Benj hauled away the chip Dirt. put it in the field where we expect to plant corn next year. Ike Taylor spent a part of the evening with us. is clear as a bell at 9 O'clock PM with a gale blowing from northwest.

Dec 7 Cloudy & snowing at 6 O'clock but soon quit. Benj is poorly with a cold. I finished the coal house & Ed hauled one load of coal and put in it. worked some in the shop. spent the afterpart of the Day in Town. cold all Day. roads sollid but no snow. is too cold for that.

Dec 8 Cloudy & cold as all fury. spent the Day by the fire. wrote a couple of letters one to Isaac Gilbert & one to Geo Hise. cold all Day.

Dec 9 Cloudy & cold. Benj & I gathered up the Brickyard Boards and piled them under the shed. hauled some wood out of cooper shop lot to our Tyle works. went Down to John Rakestraws and brot home the two hogs I Bought of him. they weighed 418 lbs cost 33.84 cts. turned in 465 cts on Joseph West and Rakestraw owed me 18.25 cts leaving a ballance of 1094 cts which I Paid him in money. cut them before Dark.

Dec 10 Cloudy & cold with a little snow this morning. Ben Hauled wood at the Brick yard & worked in shop in forenoon. in afternoon Salted our pork. Frank repaired the ____. Sold some boards.

Dec 11 Cloudy and moderate. Snowing this morning. too stormy to take the Horses out. I made 3 axe handles Sold them to Warren Chessman. Benj cut wood in wood house. Snowed about all Day. Bought Nora a pair of Gum shoes cost 65 cts.

Dec 12 Cloudy & storming from the northeast as hard as I ever saw it. can Do nothing out of Doors to Day. went Down to the Buckeye and made Patterns for well bucket

irons. Settled with John Clemens he owed & Paid me 36 07/100 Doll so that we are now square. stormed all Day. the snow must be over a foot Deep but is Drifted very much. the roads in some places is almost impassible. Did not get home until about 6 O'clock.

Dec 13 Clear & pretty cold. had good time shoveling the snow from the well so that we could Draw water. spent the Day in Town trying to collect a little money. got but little. heard to Day that Geo Gordon Deceased on last wendsday.

Dec 14 Cloudy & cold. helped Benj haul 2 laods of wood. the snow is so Deep we could scarcely get it. worked at my Patterns to Day. snow too Deep to work out of Doors at anything.

Dec 15 Cloudy & cold. took "Old Mike" & Sleigh. Margaret & I went out to John Gordons. the Funeral Services of his Brother George was held to Day. Marius Robinson Delivered a short but very appropriate address. a few of us stayed & took Supper. started home about 6 O'clock. arrived safe in a few minutes as "Old Mike" was impatient to get home. Snowed a little through the Day.

Dec 16 Cloudy & cold. met the Funeral of Geo Gordon at the Depot. he is to be burried in Holmes Co Ohio. finished my Patterns all up complete. no change in the weather.

Dec 17 Cloudy & some warmer. Benj hauled coal. I met Philip Evans at Boone & Cottons office by appointment. from there we went to the Farmers National Bank where we settled. he owed & Paid me a ballance of 129 66/100 Doll for the mare he bought of me some 3 or 4 weeks since. I Paid off a note in bank that came Due on January 1st 1868. they Paid me interest from now until then. spent about the whole Day in Town.

Dec 18 Cloudy & Drizzling rain & freezing as it falls early but soon slacked up. Ed Hise went to Lisbon & Paid my Tax. got back by noon. I spent the Day in Town but before going made a small sled for Frank Hise. Ironed it at Jesses shop. took it to morelands and gave it a coat of Paint.

Dec 19 Cloudy. moderate winter weather. Benj & I took some Corn to mill and hauled 500 Brick to Waterworks for Daniel Koll. cold job. in afternoon I finished the little Trunk for Noras Christmas gift. Settled with Joel Stratton first time for 8 years. owed a little one Six Dollars.

Dec 20 Cloudy & moderate winter with considerable more snow this morning. thawed all Day but sledding is yet excellent. worked at my well buckets and helped Jesse some in his shop.

Dec 21 Cloudy & cool. is not thawing this morning but moderated and rained toward night. got my well buckets Done & brot them home with me at 6 O'clock. got some wet coming home.

Dec 22 Cloudy & warmer. thawed and rained all night. the snow is melting fast. Plenty of water now. worked a little at my windlass. turned colder toward evening.

Dec 23 Cloudy & colder. froze up this morning and is very icy. Benj & I got fence Posts. I cut up & he hauled them from Sheets & Hilliards. am tired. got a new axe this morning cost one Dollar & fifty cents.

Dec 24 Cloudy & Pleasant winter. Benj & I hauled logs for Streets & Hilliards until noon. in afternoon I went to Town. Bought some Christmas Presents & brot home some that I had bought some Days ago. brot some moss from woods cut ever green & after the rest had gone to bed I Decorated the Table. kept me until 1 O'clock and as I write the clock is striking 2 so that it is now Fairly Christmas.

Dec 25 Cloudy & warmer. little Nora Sis & Margaret are all Surprised by getting gifts unlooked for. are having a nice time. our Decorated Table is beautiful. Ben & I went and cut fence Posts until noon. rained some like April showers. Brother Jacob & his Family took Diner with us.

Dec 26 Cloudy & a little colder. ground is frozen a little. Benj & hauled timber out of the woods. got about enough to build a shop. ground my Broad axe ready to go hewing timber.

Dec 27 Cloudy & warm. hauled Robt Justice a load of brick and brot the last of our gum boards from Williamsons Mill. Peter Heitman came this afternoon. got here in time for Diner. Sister Phebe Mrs Watkin Mary Hise & Mary Anne Hise were all here. rained considerable to Day. is warm & wet.

Dec 28 Cloudy & pleasant. Benj & I cut fence Posts until 2 O'clock. got 128 to Day. the afternoon I spent in the house. lots of company to night.

Dec 29 Cloudy & colder. ground froze Dry. Margaret Nora & I went visiting to Elwood Vickers. had a pleasant visit. got home about 7 O'clock. Peter & Sis went Buggy riding.

Dec 30 Cloudy & cold. Ben & I hewed a little more timber. I spent a part of the Day in Town. Peter went home to Day. commenced to snow this afternoon.

Dec 31 Cloudy & cold. hewed a little more timber. I spent a part of the Day in Town. Peter went home to Day. commenced to snow this afternoon.

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Jan 1 Cloudy & cold with 2 inches of snow. worked all Day on a Sleigh I am ironing for

Levi Straley. Benj went to Lisbon & Bought himself some flannel for Shirts.

Jan 2 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. worked all Day on my Sleigh. got it nearly Done. Benj Wiley & Ed Butchered. got Done by noon and well Done. in evening I cut up my Pork. have it all ready to Salt when I retire.

Jan 3 Cloudy with weather much the Same. Benj & I hauled hickory logs to Day. Bought Sis a Pair of overshoes cost 90 cents.

Jan 4 Cloudy with indications of rain. hauled 2 loads of Brick to the Buckeye. shelled our corn that had been at the mill for some time. got it ground and brot it home.

Jan 5 Cloudy & weather moderate. I worked all Day at my well curb. got along well with it. Wm Tomkins called out looking for Boards for Isaac Trescott but I had none for sale. he took Diner with us.

Jan 6 Cloudy with weather much the Same. we threshed 30 bushels of Oats the first we have threshed since harvest. in afternoon took Nora up Town to see Tom Thumbs Horses. she got a good view of them. Did not stay long. Bought Nora a small china Doll. in evening Ed & I went to see Tom Thumbs troup. they are truly the wonder of the world.

Jan 7 Cloudy & Pleasant. worked all Day at my windlass. got it nearly Done. Benj went to Ellsworth on business of his own. commenced snowing at sunsett. Bought some hinges & screws for windlass.

Jan 8 Cloudy with a couple of inches of snow. hauled logs to Day. hauled a log home for stove wood.

Jan 9 Cloudy & very cold. cut our log up and put it in the wood house. Blacksmithed. made Joshua Hilliard 3 iron wedges. to cold to haul logs to Day.

Jan 10 Cloudy & cold but not so windy as yesterday. in forenoon I had to attend a Lawsuit. in afternoon we hauled logs 2 for Sheets & 3 for myself. want them for weather boarding for shop.

Jan 11 Cloudy but not so cold. hauled logs all Day. got along well but cannot make any money at the price but had better Do it than keep the team idle.

Jan 12 Cloudy & cool but pleasant winter weather. Margaret went up to meeting. I sat by the fire and worked at a Toy horse for little Nora. she is Delighted with it. Emma & Lou Walker called out and spent the afternoon very agreeably with us. Timothy Gee with his 2 Daughters called a short time.

Jan 13 Clear & sun shone pleasant but thawed none. Benj & I hauled logs. shall stick to

it while we can. have nothing else we can Do. Ike Taylor called up in the evening and he & Ed played a few games of Ukre but Ike soon got tired of it & quit. I napped it in the chair that seems to be more congenial after being out in the cold all Day.

Jan 14 Cloudy with wind in East. feels like we should have more snow. went out to haul logs but it commenced to snow so fast we came home again. brot some fire wood with us. snowed about all Day. I sett by the fire. good sledding at 4 O'clock.

Jan 15 Clear & Pleasant. hauled logs got along well. some cuss stole my new axe. I concealed it in a hollow log but some one found it and carried it off. I suspicion an individual but Do not know that I can convict him. shall watch him close.

Jan 16 Clear & cold. thawed none of account to Day. Benj hauled logs. I attended a lawsuit took the whole Day. Bought some paper to put on Dining Room. Mrs Walker visited us to Day. John Sheets Died this morning.

Jan 17 Cloudy & cold. hauled logs for Joel Stratton. I went to Town in afternoon intending to Sue out a second warrant and try to find my axe that was stolen a few Days ago but the law suit was not yet over & the Justice consequently too much engaged to write it. I of course came home without it.

Jan 18 Cloudy & cold. hauled hickory logs all Day. snowed considerable to Day. Sledding is excellent. got in 2094 feet more than we ever hauled in one Day since we began.

Jan 19 Clear and at 9 O'clock Sun is Shining very pleasant. attended the Funeral of John Sheets. Rev Chiles read a short Biography of and a very interesting account of him. a large concourse of People assembled on the occasion. Saw Jesse Strawn there who lives in Ft Wayne Ind.

Jan 20 Cloudy & warmer. we hauled logs all Day. got along well. Edwin took one team & moved Sister Phebe. snow is soft all Day. some fell but Did not appear to increase the quantity already Down. Mother Hise is here this evening but went Down to Brother Jacobs to stay all night. snowing at bedtime.

Jan 21 Cloudy with lots of snow this morning. went out to haul logs but it commenced to Storming too much. we came home and Margaret Nora & I went over to Father Goulbourns expecting to meet Alfred & Lizzie Sheets but they had gone to Mrs Gants. we stayed until 5 O'clock when we came home. the Sleighing is excellent.

Jan 22 Clear & pleasant. is going to thaw a little. we hauled logs. got along fine. Lizzie Sheets came this forenoon but Alfred went hunting and Did not come with her. Benj finished our Days work & I went to Town. might as well have helped Benj.

Jan 23 Cloudy windy & raining at Daylight. wind blowed warm from the South. melted

the snow very fast. Doc Goucher & his wife came at 5 O'clock PM. Elwood Vickers & wife Emly Robinson Mrs Bowman & some others were here to supper. Alfred Sheets called but Did not stay all night.

Jan 24 Cloudy & colder this morning. very icy. Doc Goucher & his wife started to Town about 9 O'clock. Benj & I hauled logs until 2 O'clock. quit in order to shew my Horses. they are too smooth to stand up. shod but one must shew the other tomorrow.

Jan 25 Cloudy & moderate winter. shod my horse & went to mill. sawed wood & hauled 2 loads home for fire wood. think we have about enough to last all winter. Richard Garrigues elected Justice of the Peace.

Jan 26 Cloudy & snowing. Sleighing is now pretty good. I sat by the fire all Day. Sis & Nora went over to Father Goulbourns. Mother Goulbourn has the Neurology.

Jan 27 Cloudy & pretty cold. hauled logs until 2 O'clock then went to mill. shelled our corn but could not get it ground. Margaret went up to Town with us & came back with us. I spent the evening up town.

Jan 28 Cloudy & cold. as fine winter weather as can be. Samuel Street called over & told me I would have to go to Lisbon and attend our Law suit (the injunction we are trying to get to prevent being taken in to the incorporation). he volunteered to take me Down. called for me a little after 8 O'clock. we arrived in time although I had to ask the Court to wait while I pulled of my Overcoat before giving in my testimony. they Did not examine me at a great length. I stayed all Day. Samuel brot me back where I arrived about 8 O'clock PM so that I was absent just 12 hours. Benj hauled logs.

Jan 29 Cloudy & weather about the Same. we could not ask a finer winter. just cold enough to keep the snow from melting. hauled logs until 4 O'clock when I went up to David Yinglings & took Supper. from there Margaret & I went to the Celebration of Thomas Paines Birth Day. Henry C Wright Delivered the Oration and a very interesting one it was.

Jan 30 Cloudy & very cold. we hauled logs to Day. cut Down 3 Poplar trees. George Gordon called and got our ice tongs. sleighing is excellent & weather still cold.

Jan 31 Cloudy & cold but has moderated some since yesterday. hauled logs as usual with us this winter. went to Town in evening & bought one Dollars worth of Coffee.

Feb 1 Clear & cold. Sun shone bright all Day but thawed very little. hauled logs. was fortunate enough to find my axe that was stolen on the 14th of January. I was well Satisfied who had. watched him close but Said nothing. went to the Justice of the Peace on purpose to take out security warant but he happened to be too busy to write it then and I came home without it. but to Day the theif brot it out where we were hauling not knowing I had lost an axe and I accordingly soon noticed it. told him it belonged to me

and took Peaceable Possession.

Feb 2 Clear or partially so. is clouding up a little before sunrise. Margaret & I went over to see Mother Goulbourn. she is much better. We Did not stay long. commenced to repair our Pump at the Barn but could not Do it without help. roughed out an axe handle. snowed considerable. Sleighing is now as good as can be.

Feb 3 Clear & very cold. repaired our pump & hauled in eleven logs. sun shone all Day but thawed very little. we are having as fine sleighing as can be.

Feb 4 Clear & cold but not so cold as yesterday. hauled in 22 logs to Day. sun shone very Pleasant but thawed none of account. Margaret is poorly to Day. has taken a cold some how. Does not know how. I spent the evening in Town. Saw Edmund Philips and old acquaintence. clear & moonlight.

Feb 5 Clear & Pleasant but thawed very little. hauled logs have 6 hickory logs to haul yet. will then haul some for myself. have 30 or 40 Poplar logs to haul. uncommon fine winter for hauling. Edmund Philips called out to see a horse that I have to Sell but Did not want him. he would bought Tom but he is not for Sale.

Feb 6 Cloudy with some more Snow this morning. some spots of ground had become bare with much use but now they are patched up and sledding is again excellent. finished hauling Sheets & Hilliards logs & hauled9 of our own (Poplar that I Bought of them.

Feb 7 Cloudy & cold. this morning we took the Beef I Sold Jacob Heitman over to his Slaughter house. got back by 10 O'clock. cut & hauled logs the Ballance of the Day.

Feb 8 Clear & a little moderated. hauled in 24 of our Poplar logs are now about Done. can gather up a few yet. spent the evening in Town. Saw Ensign Newtons large Oxen. they weigh 6420 pounds alive. he shipped them East to night.

Feb 9 Cloudy & warmer. Rained considerable in fore part of the Day. carved a cane head. turned colder in afternoon & snowed considerable. wind in north. James Spine & Ike Taylor spent the evening with us. the former lives in Atwater Ohio.

Feb 10 Clear & cold. Done some schores up Town. Ben & I sawed wood. sun shone very Pleasant all Day but thawed none of account. got a letter from Geo Pow.

Feb 11 Clear & cold. Ben hauled coal and I Done nothing. am considerable tired. answered the letter I got from Geo Pow.

Feb 12 Clear & Pleasant. thawed but little. Benj & I cut & hauled some Elm logs from Sheets & Hilliards clearing for myself. brot home some of our Building timber etc etc.

Feb 13 Clear & fine as can be. snow softens a little to Day. hauled a large white oak

tree in for Joel McMillen. the Butt log contained 401 foot. it made a big load. hauled home more of our building timber in afternoon. James Boone Died at 5 O'clock AM.

Feb 14 Clear & Pleasant. finished hauling in our building timber and hauled 3 loads of fence Posts. Benj fell on the ice at the end of the lane & cut a gash in his forehead & I Done it up in Orleans Sugar. it bled profusely.

Feb 15 Cloudy & moderate winter. finished hauling our fence Posts by noon. in afternoon I went to Town. tried to sell some Brick but Did not sucseed. snow is a little soft but at sunsett the wind is in the north west and is considerable colder.

Feb 16 Cloudy & colder. roads very icy this morning. weather moderate & Pleasant. can scarce abstain from work it is so Pleasant out of Doors. at 20 minutes past 4 O'clock returned from the Funeral of James Boone Esq. who Died Suddenly of congestion of the Lungs. he was Burried with Masonic honors. the ceremony is impressive & Solemn in a far greater Degree than I had heretofore supposed. I never witnessed one before. a very large concourse of People were Present many no Doubt from curiosity. not so however on my part for I was not aware that he was a Mason until I arrived at the house and heard for the first time that he was to be Burried by the Perry Lodge of the Free & Accepted Masons. weather is still moderate. thawed considerable and about Town is quite Sloppy. found no one at home when I arrived and am getting this Down to help Pass away the hour.

Feb 17 Clear & Delightfully Pleasant in the Sunshine. Benj & I Sawed Down 3 Red Oak trees and cut them into logs for shingles. in afternoon I went to Town. lent Doc Goucher a horse.

Feb 18 Clear & Pleasant although last evening it stormed & Snowed as hard from the north as I ever Saw it. hauled 6 of our logs to Town & 4 out to the mill for David Yengling. Doc Goucher brot my horse back at 8 O'clock PM. is going to stay all night with us.

Feb 19 Clear & very pleasant. hauled the Ballance of our Shingle logs. Bought a steel to sharpen knives. Put on my new Boots they are first rate. thawed some and the roads are sloppy. hauled 2 loads of chips from Sheets & Hilliards clearing. got a letter from John Hise of Iowa. answered it forthwith.

Feb 20 Clear & modeate. Benj hauled a load of coal in forenoon. in afternoon he hauled chips. too much snow yet to get them right. I worked in the shop making Sugar augers.

Feb 21 Clear & a little colder. wind in north this morning. Benj hauled wood at the Brick yard. I made some more augers. thawed but little to Day.

Feb 22 Cloudy & cold. ground froze sollid again. made 5 more augers to Day. Bought a new grind stone cost 192 cts. Benj hauled wood. I spent the afternoon in town. very

cold all Day. Pete Heitman is here. came on yesterday.

Feb 23 Cloudy & very cold. attended the meeting appointed by Henry C Wright. he preached an excellent Sermon after which he & John Gordon & Lady came out and took Diner with us. Joel & Sarah were here also. Uncle Silas & several others were here.

Feb 24 Cloudy & cold. wind in Southeast. Rained & froze at fell making the walking very slippery. Ben split wood in wood house. I spent most of the Day in Town

Feb 25 Cloudy with some fog. ground still covered with ice. had some talk with Tom Sharp relative to his Saw mill. think some of running it on the shares. cannot Decide for a Day or two yet.

Feb 26 Cloudy & a little colder. Peter started for home this morning. I worked in shop. Benj finished hauling our wood to tyle Kiln. plenty of ice yet. got a letter from Geo Hise of Iowa. we have one lamb.

Feb 27 Cloud & wet. rained some about Daylight but is too cold to Rain much. Margaret & I signed a quit claim Deed for Geo Hise and sent it to him in West Liberty Iowa. Benj & I sawed up the Remainder of our stove wood. I bought a few Dried Peaches & some Rice.

Feb 28 Cloudy & snowing. snowed considerable through the night. wrote a letter to Capt Saint of Sharpberg Allegheny Co Pennsylvania and after mailing it I loafed about Town the Ballance of the Day.

Feb 29 Cloudy & cold. not bad Sleighing this morning. Benj & I took some lumber out to Robt Justice after which we went and hauled in ten more Hickory logs for sheets & Hilliards which I believe finishes the job of hauling for him. spent the evening up Town.

Mar 1 Cloudy & cold. snows a little this morning and looks like winter out of Doors yet. wrote a letter to Elijah Lukens. Sat by the fire all Day. commenced snowing about sunsett and was still at it when we went to Bed.

Mar 2 Cloudy & windy all night and is snowing fast at 7 O'clock with about one foot already Down. as much like winter as it has been at all. can Do nothing but sett by the fire to Day. stormed hard all Day. about as much as we have had this winter and very cold at sunsett. got a letter from J G Saint.

Mar 3 Clear & cold. mercury 16 Degrees below Zero which the coldest weather we have had this winter. wind in north and very cold all Day. wrote to J G Saint giving him the Price of our Farm with terms of Payment. I am now offering it for Sale. too cold to Do anything out of Doors and we are idle in consequence.

Mar 4 Clear & cold but not so cold as yesterday. as good sleighing as can be. I spent the

in Town Doing nothing.

Mar 5 Cloudy and a little warmer. snow softens to Day considerable. School Board Paid me to Day. I Paid George Pow 390 25/100 Doll all I owed him & Paid M A Webb 242 Dollars on the lot bought for Brother Jacob. in afternoon Benj & I hauled 500 Brick to Charlie J Hays. I Bought some Towels with a Portion of the Money.

Mar 6 Cloudy & Drizzling rain. the snow is going fast to Day. in afternoon Benj & I sawed Down & cut into logs a fine Oak tree that had Died lately.

Mar 7 Cloudy & wet. rained some to Day. thresed some of our Oats. hauled some straw to E Murphy. Bought 27 feet of chain for well windlass. our sheep are having lambs some bad luck among them. we have thus far lost one old sheep & 5 lambs.

Mar 8 Clear & Pleasant. put our new Double Bucket windlass bucket up. it Does first rate. we now have a good well and an easy way of getting the water out. attended meeting. had an excellent Discourse in answer to Mr Maxwells Sermon entitled "the Gospel on Reason". met Margaret Sis & Nora at Harriet Arners where we had a very pleasant visit. I came home across country.

Mar 9 Cloudy warm & foggy. Benj & I cut some logs in forenoon. in afternoon I slept in sawmill waiting for Tom to come but he came not.

Mar 10 Cloudy & wet. Benj & I hauled in some logs. in afternoon I commenced Sawing. got along very well.

Mar 11 Cloudy & Dull. Sawed all Day. got along fine. Benj Delivered lumber to Robt Justice. Robt Henshilwood Died this morning at 4 O'clock.

Mar 12 Cloudy & wet. Sawed what we could but must have a Team to haul in logs. cant Roll them in and make wages. Harriet Woodruff Died very Suddenly to Day.

Mar 13 Cloudy & Dull. Sawed until noon. in afternoon attended the funeral of Robt Henshilwood. Roads are very much cut up.

Mar 14 Cloudy & Dull. Benj & I hauled in 30 of our Poplar logs by noon. in afternoon attended the Funeral of Cousin Harriet Woodruff. a large Funeral. Rained some to DAy.

Mar 15 Clear & most Delightful this morning. wrote a letter for Uncle Silas To Sarah Carey. a Friend from Mercer Co Ohio called out to see me. after looking our farm over we went to meeting where we separated each one for his home. Mrs Walker & Emma called out & spent the afternoon with us.

Mar 16 Cloudy & Dull. sawed all Day got along fine. Baldwin Marshall called over & put the Saw in complete order for me. rained hard at times through the Day. ground is

very full of water. Dave Donelly & Dennis Weis came with a 2 horse team about dark to stay all night.

Mar 17 Cloudy windy & wet. sawed all Day. Benj & I hauled Down the Ballance of our Poplar logs & got them all Sawed up. Mr Smith of Columbiana Bought & Paid me for 2 thousand Brick (15) Dolarz. gave Ed Hise 5 Dollars Benj 5 & Margaret 5 to buy carpet chain.

Mar 18 Cloudy & some colder. wind is in the northwest this morning. sawed until noon then quit the mill. hauled Brick in afternoon. Made T C Boone & Henry Shaffer an offer for a Small Strip of land on Penn Street. they wish to consider the bid until tomorrow.

Mar 19 Cloudy with wind in northwest & ground a little frozen. hauled our Boards away from the Sawmill and put our sleds in the Dry. in afternoon Benj Dug the holez (18) in which we intend to sett Sugar trees along the front of our farm. I spent the afternoon in Town. Boone & Shaffer accepted the offer I made them on yesterday.

Mar 20 Cloudy & cold and growed colder all Day. Ben hauled a load of lumber to Robt Justice in the morning then he & I went and got 18 sugartrees 3 lins & a white oak and sett them out. have a row of Sugars in Front of our Farm.

Mar 21 Cloudy & cold. ground froze hard. spent the Day in Town. Boone & Shaffer & I had another talk over the Lot I am trying to Buy of them. is some Difference between us yet. got an order of Brick from Palestine.

Mar 22 Clear & pleasant. I Done a little work at our windlass. cut Down a couple of gum trees and cut off 2 logs. strolled up town to use up the time.

Mar 23 Clear & warmer. Benj & I hauled in 6 gum logs. in afternoon I went to Town. very pleasant and warm all Day. mud is Drying very fast.

Mar 24 Cloudy & warmer. Benj & I hauled Brick to the Station. roads are as bad as can well be. had hard work to get a Car but finally got it loaded by one O'clock. shipped them to Noble A Boies Palestine. in afternoon we Pulled Stumps.

Mar 25 Cloudy with indications of Rain. Wiley &I went out to Joseph Saxons to hew timber but it rained so much were forced to come home again. we fell all the trees first.

Mar 26 Cloudy & colder. the ground is covered with snow. Benj & I thresed Oats all Day. snow melted off. made hinges & hung a Door to the Shed.

Mar 27 Cloudy & Dull. Wiley & I walkedout to Jo Saxons to hew timber. we got one stick Done when it rained so much we quit and came home. the rain ceased before we reached town and Did not rain anymore to Day.

Mar 28 Cloudy & cool. hauled Brik & manure all Day. Bought a new Plow cost 21 Dollars. Wiley & I Done something towards getting our Building ready to move.

Mar 29 Clear & warm. got up early & walked out to Joseph Saxons to hew timbers. good luck would have it Jo Peterson came over to bail Sugar water. I hired him to help me & we hewed 131 feet by one O'clock. I stopped in and chatted a little spell with Jo Saxon & J F Dickinson who chanced to be there. got home by 4 O'clock and feel some tired. wrote a receipt for Chamberlin & Bro Palestine Ohio.

Mar 30 Clear & warm. Benj & I went to Saxons & brot home the Sills. Geo Martin helped me to frame them. got them all ready to Put under. Milton Taylor came on at noon. Done a little towards moving Henry Shaffers Stable.

Mar 31 Clear & warm. Benj hauled Brick & I worked at moving our Building on Penn Street. am very tired & will go to Bed. got a letter from Wm Mercer of Philadelphia.

Apr 1 Clear & warm. at 1/2 past 9 O'clock last night a fire Broke out in Boones Block Occupied by the Adams & Bro as a Grocery and entirely Destroyed it. the Republican Building that stands along side was considerably Damaged. my Property which is next East of it was Damaged but little. the Town Hall was saved with Difficulty. I myself got the first Bucket of water into the Belfry and Louis Keen threw it on the Roof where it had taken fire. got our Building mooved. I paid Milton Taylor 25 Dollars of the 35 50/100 Doll he charged me. Rained considerable this afternoon. Benj commenced Plowing for Oats.

Apr 2 Cloudy & wet. Rained considerable in the night. got up at 5 O'clock. went over to Paschall Seeds to get him to Do some Carpentering for me. he will come next monday. Benj hauled Stone. I got things ready for the piers we want Built under our Building.

Apr 3 Clear & cold. ground froze hard. John Marshall came at 10 O'clock. Built the Peirs under one side of our Building. Ben hauled stone all Day.

Apr 4 Cloudy & cold. snowed considerable. cannot Do anything at our Pierz to Day. took a grist of our corn & Oats to mill. Brot one load of Dung home & turned out. is too Stormy to work out. I spent the entire Day in Town Doing nothing.

Apr 5 Clear & cold. remained at home all Day. is cold and Disagreeable all Day. Emma Walker came out to get me to Do some lettering for her which is all the work I have Done to Day. ground is still covered with Snow at 5 O'clock PM.

Apr 6 Cloudy & cool. I worked all Day at a harrow for Joshua Hilliard. Benj hauled some manure. cold and windy all Day.

Apr 7 Cloudy & cold with some snow on the ground yet. I spent most of the Day in Town. sold Richard Garrigues 8000. toward evening Benj & I went in and took some of

the platting & casing off the Kiln. got things ready to haul brick on the morrow.

Apr 8 Cloudy windy & Darned rough. Benj & I hauled Brick. it is too rough but we can Do nothing else and cannot afford to be idle. Besides when the weather gets pleasant we must plow.

Apr 9 Cloudy & cold. hauled in a couple of small sawlogs and hauled lumber to Town. hauled Joel Stratton 1/2 ton of Hay. looks and feels like snow.

Apr 10 Cloudy & cold with 3 inches of snow on the ground. finished threshing our Oats. David Yengling helped us. in afternoon I went to Town. Done but little. Benj sowed some grass seed.

Apr 11 Cloudy & cold. Benj & I hauled grandpapa Barsley some hay and put the Sill on our Building on Penn Street which was about all we could Do. I spent the ballance of the Day in Town Doing nothing. Benjamin Owens of Iowa City came home with me this evening. is going to stay all night.

Apr 12 Cloudy cold and raw. commenced snowing about 9 O'clock and continued until 3 in afternoon. snow is about 4 inches Deep. Benj Owens stayed with us until about 3 1/2 O'clock when he went over to Joel Strattons. it looks amazingly like winter out of Doors. at Dark is cold.

Apr 13 Clear & cold. froze ice in the kitchen last night. am now tired of cold weather. can Do nothing much out of Doors. Benj & I hauled some Dirt onto our lot on Penn Street but was very Disagreeable.

Apr 14 Clear at Sunrise but soon clouded up an commenced raining. a cold and Disagreeable cold rain from Southeast. we hauled Dirt until Driven home by the rain. ceased about noon. in afternoon Benj cleaned up Dooryard moved an apple tree & I hewed timber. got warm toward sunsett.

Apr 15 Clear & warm. feels now as tho Spring had got along. finished putting piers under the building on Penn Street cost 6 20/100 Doll. Paid John Marshall for it. Ben leveled Door yard and Done up schores about the House.

Apr 16 Cloudy & cool. hauled some Brick. Paschall Seeds came on to help me finish up the shop on Penn St. Ben hauled Brick in afternoon. is cold Dull weather.

Apr 17 Cloudy & cool. Paschal & I worked at our Building in afternoon. rained some this forenoon. Benj hauled some Brick and in afternoon hauled stumps together to Burn.

Apr 18 Cloudy & still cool. got up early and finished Joshua Hilliards Harrow and then helped carpenter the Ballance of the Day. Benj sowed some of our Oats.

Apr 19 Cloudy cold and wet. is raining at 7 O'clock AM but soon ceased but is Dull all Day. I strolled around a portion of the Day but Sat by the fire and slept most of the time. Margaret & Nora walked up Town & Back. Sold John Negus some Hay.

Apr 20 Cloudy & cool. Benj sowed some grass seed and Plowed & sowed some Oats. Wiley & I hauled Sand Brick & Plastering lath. Brot home the last of our Flour from Buckeye mill. shall soon have to Buy. threatedned Rain all Day but none fell.

Apr 21 Cloudy cold and foggy with stiff frost. Wiley & I hauled Sand and Brick. Bought our plastering lath and brot home a grist of Flour the last of our own raising. Benj is sowing Oats.

Apr 22 Clear & warm all Day. David Yengling Built our flue on Penn Street. Wiley & I attended him. Paschall Seeds finished the Carpenter work and the Plasterers have it about lathed so that we will soon be Done with it.

Apr 23 Clear & a little cooler. wind in northwest & blowing consideable. Wiley & I made the mortar to plaster our house on Penn St. Oats sowed.

Apr 24 Cloudy & cool. got our house plastered and in afternoon Wiley & I worked up an Old chestnut tree that lay on our field. looks like raining at Dark. hauled Benj Hawley 1300 lb of hay.

Apr 25 Cloudy cold & wet. rained good part of the night. is still at it at 6 O'clock as I write but it Slacked up & Benj & I Pulled out Stumps until noon. I Started to town after Diner. met Milton Taylor coming out to Buy Tom (our Best Horse). I sold him to him for 225 Dollars cash and went up Town to look for another. found one that suits me pretty well but will cost me 190 Dollars if I get him.

Apr 26 Clear & cool. heavy frost and ground froze a little. went to Jo Saxons to look at a Horse but he Did not Suit me. Bought Milton Smiths (the one I looked at on yesterday at 190 Dollars. he is a 4 year old.

Apr 27 Clear & warm. hitched up our new Horse and hauled stumps. he Performed well. Ben Plowed in afternoon. I worked up Town. hired Charles Jobes of Damascus to offbear brick.

Apr 28 Clear & warm. is now fine weather as can be for Doing our Spring work. two of the Brick hands are at work to Day getting ready to make brick. Wiley & I hauled Sand and Brick all Day.

Apr 29 Cloudy and wet. rained in the night. was wet all the forenoon. the Brick makers cleared out the shed. Wiley & I hauled some Brick in afternoon. Benj Plowed some Sod in afternoon.

Apr 30 Cloudy & Dull. rain not over yet. the Boys worked at tearing Down our old Tyle Kiln. I attended to Doing schores up Town. got our Butcher room papered. sold our Lot in Cemetery to Jackson Cotton for twenty Dollars.

May 1 Cloudy in morning but cleared off toward noon. the Brickmakers commenced molding. I helped haul & Burn Stumps. made Jackson Cotton a Deed for the lot sold him. Edwin Hise went Down to Dunganon after a girl. will not be Back before tomorrow. repaired our great gate that opens into the woods. John McCleran Died to Day. Tolbert Snyder Died to Day.

May 2 Cloudy & wet. rained hard last night. hung my gate. sharpened our new Plow. sold Jon Negus a load of Hay. Built an Uncle John House for Wiley and repaired the one on Chrystall Palace lot that was oversett on the night of the Fire.

May 3 Cloudy & cool. got up at Six O'clock made a good fire in the grate. got everything ready for a good one in the cook stove. took a walk over the farm before breakfast. everything is looking finely now. attended the Funeral of John McCleren & Major J T Snyder. Both large Funerals. the former was burried with Masonic Ceremonies the latter with Military honors and was very impressive. his Old Army Horse followed him immediately behindthe Hearse equipped in Saddle & Holsters of Pistols. the Cornett Band Played the Funeral Dirge. I think it was the largest Funeral I ever saw in Salem. cleared off warm in afternoon.

May 4 Cloudy But cleared off Partially. I hauled Sand in forenoon. in afternoon Done but little. looks like rain at sunsett. the Boys made 4000 brick.

May 5 Cloudy & Dull. commenced raining at 11 O'clock. I hauled one load of Sand & quit. Done nothing in afternoon. too wet to haul Sand.

May 6 Cloudy & cool. spent the Day in search of a girl but found none for certain. have some hopes of getting one. am to know next week. got home about Dawn.

May 7 Cloudy wet & cold. rained all night with wind in east. can Do but little. Benj is Plowing between showers.

May 8 Cloudy & cold. some frost on the Boards. too wet to Plow. we hauled 2 loads of Hay to Town and in afternoon Benj Plowed again. will have to put in all the time to get ready to plant corn by the 15th. Lizzie Wait is with us. cleared off in afternoon.

May 9 Clear & cool. hoed & stuck our Peas. Ben is Plowing. I Patched my Boiler. am Doing what I can to get ready to make tile. the Boys made 4000 good Brick. I Paid them off except Charlie Joles. he went home.

May 10 Clear & cool. mended & Boxed up my lightning Rod. turned our Calves out to Pasture with the sheep in the woods. strolled around some. sun shines Pleasant but air is

cool. in evening Margaret Nora & I walked Down to the woods Pasture to look at a Place we have selected to Build on. Do not know when.

May 11 Clear & cool all Day. Benj is harrowing corn ground. I hauled 2 loads of Sand. Bought 1/2 Dozen milk croks & Done Divers little schores that consumes the entire Day. Brickmaking is going on fine.

May 12 Clear & cool but no frost to Day. Thayer & Noyes Circus Performed in Town. I took little Nora to see it. She enjoyed it hugely. I was well Pleased with it myself. I consider it as good a Circus as I ever Saw. looks some like Rain at sunsett. cool wind from Southeast all Day. Benj has our corn ground ready to strike out. is in splendid order.

May 13 Cloudy cold & wet. wind cold from Southeast and raining moderately. in forenoon I collected money for Hay Sold. in afternoon hauled another load of Hay to town & piled up our hewed timber and corded up our Fence Posts (we bought them by the cord). am very tired. shall go early to bed.

May 14 Cloudy cold & wet having rained considerable last night. will be late corn planting. hauled another load of hay and 3 logs to make shingles.

May 15 Cloudy & wet. sett some brick & got the Boys Started in forenoon. in afternoon Benj & I sawed & Split fence Posts. got an old gum log hauled in & Sawed into thin stuff on which to sett Brick.

May 16 Cloudy and is still wet. Bought a little Poor Beef cost 20 cts per lb. Benj commenced marking corn ground but it soon Rained so much he was forced to quit. in afternoon we hauled one load of chips. Ezra Wait came at 11 O'clock PM.

May 17 Cloudy & wet. got up late. am so well off in bed as any where else is so wet and Disagreeable one can Do nothing. am Reading the Autibegraphy of Benj Franklin Published by Biglow. Ezra Wait is spending the Day with us. Timothy Gee & Daughter is also with us.

May 18 Cloudy wet & cold. I hewed fence Posts. Edwin Hise took the Colts & hauled wood for Joel Stratton. Benj marked out corn ground. Rained a little but Ben stuck to it. is getting late & we are anxious to get the corn in.

May 19 Clear & cold. considerable Frost. got 4 hands from the Brickyard to help us (until noon) to Plant corn. Benj & I finished it in afternoon. kept us very busy but we got it Done except a few hills that are yet too wet. I have a cold & sore throat. shall go early to bed. remained clear all Day. the Boys made Brick in afternoon.

May 20 Cloudy & cold. fortunately for us it clouded up in the night and saved Doubtless from a sever frost. our Fruit has yet escaped but runs many chances of being Killed. Benj

& I hauled Brick all Day. Doc Goucher & Lady called in afternoon. stay all night. heard that Tacy Gilbert (Daughter of bejamin Gilbert of Lancaster Co Penn had been at Daniel Bonsalls for two or three Days and we were not informed of it. I felt indignant at such treatment and will ascertain the cause if possible.

May 21 Cloudy & cool but no frost. was aroused out of my Sleep about midnight by the Ringing of the fire Bells. Dressed and went to Town as quick as Possible. found Widow Wisners House Burned entirely Down. it was about the Oldest Frame House in Salem having Been Built By Nathan & Stacy Hunt in 1807. took a walk with Doc Goucher over my farm before Breakfast after which he & Lizzie left. Margaret Little Nora & Emely Robinson went out to Zimmy Whinneys to see Tacy Gilbert whither she had gone before we knew she was in Ohio. Benj & I hauled Hay & Brick & sand. Margaret got back Safe.

May 22 Cloudy & warmer. got up early and worked at cleaning up our lane. that is my morning job. shall stick to it until finished. Benj & I hauled the timber Down to the Barn and piled it up snug after which Benj spread the Dung on Potatoe patch. I hauled one load of Sand by noon. in afternoon moved some fence out of the way of the Plow while Benj Plowed.

May 23 Clear & Pleasant. helped Benj Plant Potatoes. got all Done nearly. Sold Charlie Cornwell 7 20/100 Doll worth of chickens. they take up my corn. must sell them to get them out of our way.

May 24 Cloudy & foggy. Damp and Disagreeable out of Doors but soon cleared off and is Pleasant all Day. Marius Robinson Emly (his wife) and Tacy Gilbert (Daughter of Benjamin Gilbert visited us to Day. the latter is just from Lancaster Co Penn where she was Born & Raised. she likes the look of this country very much. we were very glad to see her as they (her Parents) are old warm friends of ours.

May 25 Clear & warm. got up in good season & shod one of my Horses. he has poor feet & cannot Do without shoes. Benj replanted our corn. I collected a little money. Paid Aaron Wilson 130 Doll for wood.

May 26 Clear & warm. Benj Dug Post holes. in forenoon I went Down Yerkes Howels to see Uncle Silas. want to get him to quarry stone but could not. in afternoon helped Benj make Board fence around Potatoe patch.

May 27 Cloudy & warm. finished our fence before breakfast. we hauled 3 tons of Hay to Town all we have. cleaned our Barn except about one 1/2 Ton. rained a little. got our new Coal cookstove home cost 27 50/100 (Paid for).

May 28 Cloudy & wet. stuck up Boards before breakfast. I helped sett Brick until noon. Benj hauled Rails in afternoon. we made fence in front where it had been torn Down to make Brick. spaded some garden & sett out Tomatoes. Mrs Murphy Died.

May 29 Clear & warm. Benj hauled Sand in forenoon. in afternoon Spaded garden & stuck Peas. I attended the Funeral of Mrs Murphy. Rained a little this afternoon. Bought a Barrel of Flour cost 13 25/100 D.

May 30 Cloudy & cool. got up at 4 O'clock. Done the churning. Sis has the new carpet Down on our sitting room and it looks grand. 35 yards of it. Benj & I cut and hauled in 6 Saw logs by noon. in afternoon we went to Town. the Soldiers Decorated the graves of their Dead brethren. had a beautiful Day & fine address by Judge Ambler.

May 31 Clear & Pleasant. got up at 4 O'clock. walked out to the Cemetery to see the Flower strewed graves. got back by 7 O'clock. spent the Ballance of the Day at home. wrote a letter to Aunt Hannah Gilbert. Geo Gordon called out a short time.

Jun 1 Cloudy. hauled some Brick & 2 loads of sand.

Jun 2 Cloud & rained a little. hauled a few more brick and another load of Sand. in afternoon we hauled our hickory lumber to the Depot. 758 feet made a Big load.

Jun 3 Cloudy & cool. made a sett of Brick moulds. Ben hauled Sand and worked our Potatoes. sold some Brick etc etc.

Jun 4 Cloudy But not much prospect of Rain. Benj heaped up the manure. I helped Paschall Seeds work at our Building on Penn Street. are making some alterations. Women Chefsom came near Dieing this afternoon. raining north of us at 8 O'clock PM. thunders & lightnings plenty but I fear there is no rain for us. would like a shower now.

Jun 5 Cloudy & windy but no rain and very little Prospects of any now. helped Paschall Seeds at our Building to Day. Benj hauled Sand & Brick. some Prospects of Rain at sunsett. Woman Chessman is very Dangeriously ill.

Jun 6 Cloudy & threatens Rain. Benj & I replanted corn until interrupted by the Rain. had a Big rain in afternoon. the cut worms have taken one half of our corn. Prospects look Dull for corn. Woman Chessman expired at 6 O'clock this morning a victim of excessive intoxication.

Jun 7 Cloudy & wet. made 2 gates & hung one of them. is fine growing weather. in afternoon attended the Funeral of Woman Chessman. a very large concourse of Friends assembled. the Grand Army of the Republic officiated.

Jun 8 Cloudy & warm. got up early & Benj & I replanted corn all Day. Did not get quite Done. worms are taking it about all. our neighbors are in the same fix. Hannah Benett came on this morning to live & work for us and glad she has got here as we need Female help.

Jun 9 Cloudy & wet. considerable rain last night. finished Replanting our corn this morning. hauled some brick & helped Pack Carpenter at the meat house.

Jun 10 Clear & cool. a little frost in low places. Benj washed our sheep. I helped Carpenter. got about Done.

Jun 11 Clear & cool. too cold for corn to grow. rebuilt our Chimney on Penn Street. I attended the mason. got the room lathed & ready to plaster.

Jun 12 Clear & warm. made mortar to Plaster our shop on Penn Street. repaired our Cultivator. Done up schores generally.

Jun 13 Clear & warm. hung a gate. sharpened shovel plow. Collected a little money. in afternoon attended the Plasterers. got our job nicely Done. our shop looks right now. Ezra Wait is here to Day.

Jun 14 Clear & warm. got up at 4 O'clock. walked up to Town & Back before any of the folks are out of Bed & I am writing it Down at 1/2 past 6 O'clock. took horse & Buggy. took Nora with me went out to Tom Wilsons to measure wood. went around by Albany & Franklin Square. horse is warm. Mr Gordon took Diner with us.

Jun 15 Clear & warm. got up early and stuck up Boards until breakfast time then went up town. sold 2000 Brick to Widow Garside. swapped Boilers if Henry Adams can make it right with Entriken. sett some brick. looks a little like rain at Dark.

Jun 16 Cloudy & Dry. very windy in the night. got up at 4 O'clock. stuck boards until 1/2 past 6. but little Prospects of Rain. worked up at the yard. sold some brick etc etc. Benj is working our corn.

Jun 17 Clear & warm. went to Lisbon & Paid my Tax. brot a Passenger home with me for 50 cents. very hot to Day. we need rain now.

Jun 18 Clear & warm. Traded Boilers with Emon Entriken and took Benj & me about all Day to exchange them. no prospect of Rain yet. ground is getting Dry.

Jun 19 Clear & warm. hauled some brick (2000). Benj is hoeing the corn. I hauled some sand etc.

Jun 20 Cloudy with a little Rain last night. hauled 4000 Brick. loaded a Car to go to Enon Valley. rained most of the afternoon but we worked on in it. got wet through to the skin but it had to be loaded.

Jun 21 Cloudy and very Pleasant. repaired harness. laid my Cultivator teeth and made two excellent shovels for John Gordons shovel Plow. Margaret Sis & Nora went over to Father Goulbourns in the Carriage. got back at 4 O'clock. had a fine shower this

afternoon.

Jun 23 Cloudy & cool. colected a little money. sold some Brick. in afternoon hauled some and one load of Sand. had a good Rain about 6 O'clock PM. got a little wet. Bought some Sea Shells.

Jun 24 Clear and warm. Benj & I sawed Down a Dead red oak for shingles after which he worked the corn and I worked at the Tyle works. rained hard at 1 O'clock. ground is now well wet.

Jun 25 Cloudy & Pleasant. hauled some shingle logs to Joel Strattons & 1 tough white Oak Back to Sharps mill. in afternoon worked about the Brick yard. attended Broad gauge Festival.

Jun 26 Clear & cloudy at intervals but no rain to Day. Circus in Town to Day. I Done but little. opened our other Brick Kiln and Done some minor schores. told my Brick makers to quit setting Brick. must Do it myself. shall have to sett them all over again as I am affraid to try to Burn them as they are.

Jun 27 Clear & warm. loaded a Car with Brick. Wiley helped me. shipped it to Geo A Vogelson of Columbiana (5000 of them came to 37 50/100 Doll.

Jun 28 Clear & warm. got up early & went out to Geo Atkinsons to look at a Bull I want to trade for. got back by breakfast. found E G Wait here. repaired our Cistern pump and slept & read newspapers alternately the Ballance of the Day.

Jun 29 Clear & warm. Benj & I are filling another Car with Brick. Atkinson came to look at my heiffer. says I must give him 40 Dollars to boot if we swap. I suppose I had better Do it and make the Bull earn the money.

Jun 30 Cloudy & warm. Benj & I hitched up the 2 Horse wagon. tied our Brown 2 year Old heiffer to it and took her up to Henry Atkinsons & traded her for a 2 year Old Bull. brot him home the same way. it much easier than Driving them. put him in the woods with the Cows. Benj worked in the corn in afternoon. I spent the time in Town and worked some at the Tyle works. rained a little about 10 O'clock AM.

Jul 1 Clear & warm. Benj Sowed our Buckwheat among the corn where the worms has cut it off. I am Busy at the Brickyard. should be there all the time. Benj & I hauled Brick in afternoon.

Jul 2 Clear & warm. Benj hauled a load of coal in forenoon. in afternoon a load of Sand. I worked at the Tyle shed.

Jul 3 Clear & warm. hooped the wheels & otherwise repaired John Gordons Buggy. spent afternoon up Town. Done but little work. concluded to quit making Brick. the

Boys were willing. very warm 92 in shade.

Jul 4 Cloudy with some prospects of Rain. spent most of the Day in Town. a great many people collected to see the Fantastic Parade but they made a very Poor show indeed. not nearly so good as on many previous occasions when no one was looking for them. very hot all Day with all prospects of Rain vanished.

Jul 5 Clear & hot (warm Dont express enough). wrote a Deed of conveyance to Wm Pidgeon. clouded up and rained about 5 O'clock PM. is much cooler in consequence.

Jul 6 Clear & warm. Benj is working Potatoes & corn. I Blacksmithed some. spent a part of the Day in Town. Margaret is poorly caused by over work & extremely warm weather. Thermometer 94 in shade.

Jul 7 Clear & warm. Benj is in the corn. I Built a small granery in the hay mow. want it to chopstuff in for our Horses. expect to have use cut feed this winter. afternoon I spent in Town. too hot for me to work more than 1/2 Day at a time. got Robt Justice to cut a pair of thin Pants. rained a very little but not enough to wet the ground any scarcely. Margaret is recovering slowly By being in Bed most of the time.

Jul 8 Clear & warm. mowed some grass in forenoon but in afternoon rained hard. hauled one load of brick in afternoon but got wet at it.

Jul 9 Cloudy with fine growing weather. hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon put in what hay we had Down. it is not injured by the Rain as it was just mowed when when it commenced raining. Margaret is getting better again.

Jul 10 Clear & warm. got up early & bought a peice of Beef. cut the ballance of our meadow and hauled it in. have now 4 tons of good hay in. Margaret is still poorly.

Jul 11 Clear & warm. cut and got in 3 tons more of excellent hay. looks like rain all around us but none reached us. very good hay Day.

Jul 12 Clear & warm. got up early went Down to Sheets & Hilliards land to see some wood I Bought. am sick of it. Marius R Robinson called out to tell me that Richard D Webb of Ireland has arrived at Salem. is now stopping with him. I must call on him. called at Marius and chatted with Richard an hour. Charles Grizell called also and he accompanied (Margaret & I) out to Mr Gordons where we spent the Day very Pleasantly indeed. started home about 8 in the evening. was cool and Pleasant compared with the Day time. Margaret feels better for her ride.

Jul 13 Clear & warm. got up at 3 O'clock & carried wash water for the girls. they are Doing their washing & churning by moonlight. Mowed 3 acres of grass for Wm Pidgeon. Bought a Reaper attachment of Rank and got it put on my mowing machine. it works well. cut about one half of our wheat since 4 O'clock. very warm 95 in the shade.

Jul 14 Clear & warm. cut our by noon. in afernoon we Bound it up. was so hot about 2 O'clock that we gave out (98 in the shade). laid Down under a tree a couple of hours. took us until 9 O'clock to get into shock.

Jul 15 Clear & warm. Benj mowed for Geo Trimble to Day. I hauled Brick until noon. in afternoon Benj & I righted up our wheat shooks and hauled in a little hay that we mowed in wheat field. good rains all around us but none fell here. some cooler since But at noon the Thermometer stood at 99 in the Shade.

Jul 16 Clear & Pleasant. sun shone hot but a breeze from the northwest makes the weather Pleasant. Benj mowed for Geo Trimble this forenoon. I hauled one load of Brick and laid in the Shade the Ballance of the forenoon. in afternoon Richard D Webb of Dublin Ireland called in and spent a few hours very agreeably indeed. Benj finished Trimbles grss & mowed some of our own. I went over and Borrowed Philip Evans Horse Rake. want to rake my wheat stubble.

Jul 17 Clear & warm. Dense fog at Daylight. after breakfast I raked the wheat stubble. finished up a Hickory cane (Presented to me by Amos Gilbert and which he cut on Black Hawks Tower) and Presented it to Richard D Webb. I believe were Amos livinghe would be Satisfied with the transfer I am making. Did I not think so I should not have part with it. Benj finished cutting our grass. it is very light. in afternoon Raked it up. I put it up in cock. Richard D Webb is with us to Day. is going to spend the night with us.

Jul 18 Clear & hot. I took Richard D Webb up to Town this morning as he is going to leave this section. showed him through the Buckeye Machine shop Shingle Factory etc. left him at Mrs Bowns. he gave me his Photograph when we parted. I came directly home and helped haul in our hay. got all Done in good time & spent some time in Town. am too tired to enjoy myself. in evening I went to Professor Sands the celebrated Magician. he Done some extraordinary tricks.

Jul 19 Clear & warm with no Prospects of Rain vizable. corn is suffering for the want of it. laid about the House all Day. Brother Jesse came out in afternoon. about 3 O'clock we had a most magnificent rain. we are now made up. Potatoe Bugs are sweeping the Potatoe tops clear as they go.

Jul 20 Cloudy & foggy. Benj Nora & I went to Washingtonville and got a load of coal. Nora & I went from there to Leetonia. saw the furnaces Uncle Jacob etc. took Diner with John Betz. Came home on the local. Cleared off. we had a nice trip. Nora tired some.

Jul 21 Clear & very warm. shod 2 of our Horses. opened out our wheat shocks in forenoon. in afternoon hauled it all in in good condition. looks like rain.

Jul 22 Cloudy with a little rain this morning. got up early. so warm could not sleep.

took 7 Doz eggs up to Charlie Cornwell. Bought a small piece of Beef. got a letter from G A Vogelson containing 37 50/100 Doll money he owed me for Brick. Benj commenced cutting Oats. I worked up Town getting things ready for Culvert.

Jul 23 Clear & warm. I hauled Sand all Day. rained all around us but none of account here. am very tired to night. is yet very warm.

Jul 24 Cloudy and a little cooler. made hinges & hung one more gate. worked some up Town. Benj is cutting Oats. no sign of Rain.

Jul 25 Clear & cooler. I helped in the Oats field most of the Day. Settled with & Paid Charlie Jobes for Offbearing brick.

Jul 26 Cloudy & cool. Margaret & Nora visited at Father Goulbourns. I worked in shop nearly all Day. Fred Smith & Lydia called a few minutes all the callers we had to Day. weather very pleasant.

Jul 27 Cloudy & cool. Benj & Wiley isin the Oats. I worked at the Culvert. got 12 feet of it Done. am so tired at Dark I could scarcely get home.

Jul 28 Clear & Pleasant. am too unwell this morning to Do anything. intend to rest. Benj & Wiley are still inthe Oats. Went to the Station to see the Hon Schuyler Colfax who passed through on the train. came home sick.

[Note: Beginning on July 29, 1868 Daniel Howell Hise came down with typhoid fever. His nephew Ed continued the diary until his recovery. He resumed writing the diary on October 1, 1868.]

Jul 29 Clear & pleasant. Ben & Wiley still inthe oats. I (Ed) hauled 2000 brick to Marius Robinson. Uncle Howell no better. sent for the Doctor.

Jul 30 Cloudy & cooler. too wet to work in the oats. Ben & Wiley pulled weeds inthe cornfield etc.

Jul 31 Cloudy with rain about noon. Today is the 30th anniversary of Pa & Mas wedding. it was the occasion of a great merry making. Uncle Howell was too sick to leave the house. Aunt Margaret stayed with him.

Aug 1 Clear & warm. Uncle Howell is not much better. I went Down to Leetonia today. Pa is well. Mr Purdy Mr Gordon & Mr Chessman were to see Uncle today.

Aug 2 Warm. Timothy Gee came over today and is going to stay all night with Uncle Howell.

Aug 3 Cloudy with rain in the afternoon. Grandfather and Grandmother Goulbourn were over today. Ben hauled brick to Aaron Wilson.

Aug 4 Rain in the afternoon. Pa came from Leetonia this morning and I went back with him this evening. Uncle Howell pretty sick. Isaac Crumrine stays with him tonight.

Aug 5 Clear and warm. Ben & Wiley hauled oats this afternoon. Jeremiah Dickinson was here this afternoon.

Aug 6 Clear & warm. Ben & Wiley hauled in the rest of the oats. Chris Kinneman stayed with Uncle Howell last night. Miss Tacy Gilbert came today.

Aug 7 Clear & Pleasant. I hauled brick to John Matthews this forenoon and this afternoon Benj & I threshed some wheat. Hannah & Sis cut the bands. Uncle Howell is better this evening. Uncle Jesse stayed last night.

Aug 8 Clear & Pleasant. We cleared up some wheat and took it to mill. got the grist this evening. Bens father was here today. Ellwood Vickers stayed last night.

Aug 9 Clear & Pleasant. I have been away most of the day. Went down to Leetonia. Emma Walker has been here all day and is going to stay all night. Uncle Ezra & Aunt Lib and Aunt Mary Jesse are here now. Uncle Tim Gee stayed last night.

Aug 10 Clear & Pleasant. Ben pulled weeds in the corn field. David Stanley got 250 hard brick. Think Uncle H a little better this evening. Uncle Ezra and Doc Howell stayed with him last night.

Aug 11 Cloudy & Cool with some rain in the forenoon. Ben has been hauling out manure from barn yard. Doc Rush thinks Uncle Howell a little better this evening. Chris Kinneman stayed last night.

Aug 12 Clear & cool. Went to town on an errand this afternoon. Ben hauled manure all day. Sis received a letter from Goly. Folks are well in Iowa. Think Uncle H is mending. George Gordon stayed last night.

Aug 13 Clear & cool. Uncle Howell has rested well today and is getting along first rate. Ben hauled manure this forenoon and went to town this afternoon to see his father who starts home this evening. Uncle Jesse and Aunt Mary stayed last night. Nora came home today from Mrs Walkers where she has been since monday morning.

Aug 14 Clear & Pleasant. Ben still in the manure business. I Have been at the house most of the day. Marius Robinson got 800 hard brick. Peter Heitman is here today. Isaac Thomas stayed last night. Uncle Howell had a vomiting spell last night at one o'clock and another towards morning but has had none since. Doctor thinks the cause of it was that he drank too much water.

Aug 15 Clear & Pleasant. Ben still hauling out manure. Uncle Howell very bad. Pete Heitman stayed last night and went to Alliance at 4 o'clock this morning.

Aug 16 Clear & Pleasant. Uncle Howell has been very low since last night. Dr Curtis of Massillon was telegraphed for and came on the 11 PM train last night and stayed until three o'clock this afternoon. About 4 o'clock a decided change came over Uncle Howell but whether it is to be for the better or not we dont know. There has been a host of callers today so many that I shall not undertake to write their names 43 in all. Uncle Jesse George Gordon Joel McMillan and Timothy Gee stayed last night.

Aug 17 Clear & Warm. Ben hauled manure most of the day & picked the pears this evening. Uncle Howell seems better and Doc Rush said this evening that the indications were favorable. The change therefore that came yesterday was for the better and we now have strong hopes that Uncle Howell will recover. Joel McMillan Doc Howell & George Gordon stayed last night.

Aug 18 Clear & Pleasant. Ben hauling manure. Uncle Ezra Wait came today. I really dont know what to write about Uncle Howell. he seems better but he is very ____. Emma Walker went home this evening. she has been here several days. Joel McMillan Doc Howell and George Gordon stayed last night.

Aug 19 Cloudy & cool with some rain. Ben hauled manure. Things look a deal brighter this evening. Uncle H is really a good deal better. Uncle William & Uncle John came last night on the 11 o'clock train. Pa has been up from Leetonia since monday. Uncle Ez Tomothy Gee & Emma Price stayed last night. Emma Walker came again today.

Aug 20 Clear & Pleasant. Ben threshed out some oats. Will & Ernest helped him. Wm Welden was out and got part of a load of straw. Uncle Ez went to Akron this afternoon. George Gordon Tim Sharpnack & Uncle Ez stayed last night. Sara McMillan here all day helping to can fruit.

Aug 21 Clear & Pleasant. Ben cleaned up the oats which were threshed yesterday. there were 46 bushels. This afternoon he took a wagon load of scrap iron to the foundry. Pa went to Leetonia today. Doc Howell stayed last night.

Aug 22 Clear & Pleasant. Ben getting ready to plow for wheat. Nora went over to Grandfather Goulbourns with Uncle Will and is going to stay there all night. Uncle John & Uncle Will stayed up last night.

Aug 23 Clear & Pleasant. Uncle Howell is getting better slowly. There have been several folks here today to see him. Among the rest Samuel Chessman Mr & Mrs Gordon Mr & Mrs Robinson & Uncle Silas Howell. I was out and shot a squirrel for him this afternoon. Joel McMillan stayed last night.

Aug 24 Clear & Pleasnat. Ben has been plowing today. Uncle Will and Grandmother went to Canfield. Uncle John has been with Uncle H most of the day. George Gordon stayed last night.

Aug 25 Clear & Warm. Ben plowed most of the day. I went to Leetonia this afternoon. Aunt Mary Jesse has been here all day helping Sis to put up plums. Uncle Jesse stayed last night.

Aug 26 Clear & Warm. Hauled a small load of coal (15 bus) this morning from Sharpnacks bank. Went to town this afternoon. Elwood Vickers stayed last night. This has been a hot day.

Aug 27 Clear & hot. Ben plowed most of the day though he went to Moses Tabors this forenoon and got an easy chair for Uncle Howell. He (Uncle) has been sitting up a good deal today. Uncle John & Uncle Will went Down to Aunt Unas this morning but were back this evening. Richard Ramsden was here this afternoon. Doc Howell stayed last night.

Aug 28 Clear & Pleasant. Ben still holding the plow. the ground is dry and hard and plowing is slow work. Sis has been down to "Uncle Isaacs" most all day. She has had a pain in her head since yesterday. Isaac Taylor stayed with Uncle H last night.

Aug 29 Clear & Pleasant. Ben still plowing Sod. had a little shower last night which served to lay the dust for a little while but did not penetrate the ground to any depth. George Gordon stayed last night.

Aug 30 Cloudy & cool with a slight drizzling rain part of the day. Uncle Will Ben & I went to Disciple church. John Gordon was here today. Pasch Seeds brought some peaches for Uncle Howell from Eli Fawcetts. Uncle Will starts for Iowa at 5 o'clock in the morning. Doc Howell stayed last night. Joel Stratton brought some peaches this evening.

Aug 31 Cloudy with a high wind and rain this evening. Uncle Willstarted to Iowa this morning. He went by way of Akron. Uncle John is going to start tomorrow. Uncle Ez Wait came today. Ben finished the plowing today. Timothy Gee stayed last night.

Sep 1 Clear & Pleasant. Ben Wiley and I threshed out some wheat in the forenoon and Ben & I cleaned it up in the afternoon. It was the seed wheat but we will have to thresh more tomorrow to take to mill. Uncle John started to Iowa on the noon train. expected to meet Uncle William at Mansfield. Mrs Mary Gaunt went with him. Uncle Ez and Doc Howell stayed last night.

Sep 2 Clear & pleasant. Ben Sis & I threshed out some more wheat and I took 4 bushels to mill. Sim Welden was out and got a small load of straw. John Barkas was here this evening. Aunt Mary sat up last night.

Sep 3 Cloudy & cool with a heavy shower in the forenoon which made it too wet to sow our wheat so Ben Aunt Lib & I threshed out some oats. I had to go to town in the afternoon and Debbie Henshilwood helped thresh in my place. Sis has been to our house all day. she has had the neuralgia in her head for a week. This afternoon a pole 200 feet high was raised by the Grant & Colfax men on broadway. Uncle Jesse stayed last night.

Sep 4 Cloudy with rain in the forenoon but cleared off nicely about noon. Ben hauled a load of chips this morning and sowed a little wheat this afternoon. ____ Chessman was here today. Doc Howell stayed last night. Set some wine today for Uncle Howell which Uncle Ez sent from Ravenna.

Sep 5 Clear & Pleasant. Ben finished sowing the oats today. Mr C W Ellis was here today. He has just returned to Salem from a visit to the home of his parents who reside in Nova Scotia. The trip must have agreed with him for he is looking very well. Miss Tacy Gilbert is here today.

Sep 6 Cloudy & cool with several showers. Lots of folks here today to see Uncle Howell. I went down to Leetonia.

Sep 7 Cloudy & quite cool for the time of year. Ben harrowed in the wheat this afternoon. Tacy Gilbert and I went down to Webbs to see about some peaches. Cant get any until next week. Uncle Howell has got so now that he does not need much waiting on at night & Aunt Margaret stays with him most of the time.

Sep 8 Cloudy & cool. Ben hauled 1000 paving brick to James Brown in the forenoon and worked in the wheat field the balance of the day.

Sep 9 Cloudy & cool. Very heavy rain last night. Ben & Isaac Taylor threshed and cleaned up 8 bushels of wheat. Joel McMillen is to have most of it for ____. Dr. J C Whinery was out today and extracted an aching tooth for Uncle Howell.

Sep 10 Cloudy & wet. Too wet to do any thing out of doors. Ben stuck up a few boards down the lane. I helped Tom Sharp at the saw mill.

Sep 11 Cloudy and wet. Spite of the rain. Ben dug some potatoes. I worked at the mill.

Sep 12 Cloudy in the forenoon but cleared off. warm this noon. Ben hauled chips today from Sheets clearing. Marius Robinson paid me $4.70/100 for Uncle Will on John Yenglings account. Uncle Howell had an attack of cholic this evening but it did not last long. Jake Brinker was here today.

Sep 13 Clear & Pleasant. A good many visitors were here today. Daniel Bonsall wife came out with Tacy Gilbert. Tacy is going to stay a few days. Barclay Gilbert was here this evening and Pa came up from Leetonia.

Sep 14 Clear & Pleasant. Ben hauled to Dr Rush 675 feet of poplar boards and brought a load of coal home in the forenoon and dug potatoes in the afternoon. Captain John Barkis was here this evening. Uncle Howell wants him to burn a kiln of brick for him and Barkis is willing.

Sep 15 Clear & Pleasant. Ben hauled two thousand paving brick to Richard Garrigues. Uncle Howell received a letter from Uncle John. All well in Iowa.

Sep 16 Clear & cool. quite cool for the time of year. Ben cut some corn in the forenoon and sowed Joel McMillans wheat in the afternoon. Sarah Sharpnack got 500 brick. Warren Sheets died today.

Sep 17 Clear & cool. Ben hauled two loads of wood to Mrs Bowman and this afternoon worked in the corn. I went over to Green to see Richard Brightwell about shipping some leather to Uncle John. Sis went to Lisbon with the wool. Warren Sheets buried today.

Sep 18 Clear & Pleasant. Ben took some corn and oats to mill in the forenoon and knocked about the place the rest of the day. Uncle Howell received a letter from Iowa. Uncle Will has sold his land out there. We went riding today in Chessmans carriage but it made him seasick. Hasnt felt so well since.

Sep 19 Cloudy & cool. Ben knocked about the place. We think the corn too green to cut. Richard Garrigues was out today. Fred Lease paid $18.50 cts. also received $12 dollars from Bucyrus Taylor of Waterford. Mary Yengling and her baby came out this afternoon. Are going to stay all night.

Sep 20 Cloudy & wet. rained most all day. Peter Heitman came down today. George Trimble was here this afternoon. David Yengling was also here and Sis and Mary and the baby went home just before dark.

Sep 21 Clear & Pleasant. Ben hauled wood all day to Mrs Bowman. Chris Kineman fired the kiln this morning.

Sep 22 Cloudy with some rain during the day. Ben hauled 1100 paving brick to Richard Garrigues which makes 2600 altogether. I finished cutting our corn.

Sep 23 Cloudy & cool. There was a large Republican Mass meeting held at Salem today despite the inclemency of the weather. there was a big turnout. Several delegations came in from surrounding townships. Sharp Davis & Bonsall had an engine and shingle machine on wheels. The machine was of Halls latest and it reamed some very nice shingles. I brought one of them to Uncle Howell. The people here addressed today by Ex Gov Dennison and the town hall was crowded this evening to listen Gen Schneider of Canton. Uncle Howell did not feel well enough to venture out the weather being as chill and damp. Doc Howell was out this evening.

Sep 24 Cloudy & wet. Rained all day. Mrs Rachel Shelladay and Miss Mary Gordon relations of ours from Philadelphia were here today. They could not stay in Salem any length of time and are going to leave tomorrow. They are on the way to Miss Gordons parents who reside in Knox county Ohio. I went to town with them this evening. Are going to stay at Uncle Jesses all night.

Sep 25 Cloudy & wet. Too wet to do anything out of doors. Ben went out to Geo Bowns and got a cider mill which belongs to Thos Sharp and in the afternoon he and I made about 15 gallons of cider.

Sep 26 Cloudy but not so wet. the sun shone out part of the day the first time he has shone himself for several days. Ben hauled a load of wood to Joshua Holloway and cut corn this afternoon. I went to Sharpnacks bank for a load of coal but there was none dug.

Sep 27 Clear & Pleasant. A very pleasant day. Ephraim Murphy was here today. Sis & I went out to Mr Gardners in the afternoon and stayed until after dark. While we were there Mr Gordon shot a fine pheasant and we brought it to Uncle Howell. Uncle Ezra Wait was here today.

Sep 28 Clear & pleasant. Ben cut corn all day. Uncle Howell received a letter from Uncle William. all wellin Iowa. Richard Garrigues was out today. Uncle H sold one hundred thousand brick to the Baptist church seven dollars per thousand.

Sep 29 Clear & Pleasant. Ben cut corn. Uncle Howell is feeling better. he walked down to the shop and out into the road today. I hauled a load of coal to Dr Rush. Grandmother is here this evening.

Sep 30 Clear & Pleasant. Ben cut some of the buckwheat today. Sis commenced work at Fishers store this morning. Aunt Margaret put up some peaches.

Oct 1 Cloudy & wet. I again resume my journal having so far recovered as to be able to write some. I have drank some wormwood bitters to Day that has helped my appetite considerable. I have eaten quite as much dinner as I should eat but feel none the worse of it as I write at 3 O'clock PM. Benj is cutting corn or Buckwheat I know not which. Tom Ripley was out to see about moving our Carriage house. he will Do it in the beginning of next week. eat but little Supper. go to bed at 9 O'clock.

Oct 2 Cloudy Foggy. Dull weather is hard on me. rested but poorly last night. eat a tolerable breakfast. Sat out on the Pavement a short time. Benj is tearing Down the Hog pen. Sis Wait is making our Carpet. wrote a letter to Sarah Carey in answer to one I got from her on last evening. ate a hearty Dinner and feel none the worse of it at 3 O'clock PM.

Oct 3 Clear & Pleasant. Benj Dug holes under carriage house & hauld some Brick to Richard Garrigues. I walked out as far as the Barn but it made me so tired I was forced to

go to Bed & stay there the Ballance of the afternoon.

Oct 4 Clear & cloudy by turns. had plenty of company to Day. am still mending slowly. looked all Day for Mr Gordon but he came not. heard this evening that he had company at home to entertain. John Clernen Sim Sharp & Mr Purdy called in about 5 O'clock & spent an hour or two very agreeably.

Oct 5 Cloudy & cool. am confined to the House to Day. wrote a line to Wm Hise. walked out as far as the Shop but it was too much for me. am not so well to Day. Joshua Davis spent the afternoon with me was much gratified to have him Do so. he is an old acquaintence of 48 years standing.

Oct 6 Clear & Pleasant. rested better last night than I have for the past 2 months. got up about 5 O'clock and feel pretty comfortable. eat breakfast of crackers & Mackeral. took Bitters of whiskey & wild cherry bark which braces me up very much. Nelson McCan called in and we had a talk about sheep. Margaret is making a little apple & quince butter.

Oct 7 Clear & warm. I am not so well to eat something for supper last night that Does not agree with me. Samuel McConner an old acquaintence called and spent two or three hours with me. he lives at Bedford is 84 years old. after he was gone I took Sick and vomited soundly and feel much the Better of it. But eat no supper to night.

Oct 8 Cloudy & cool. Benj & Ed are picking our winter apples. I am no better this morning. sent Ed up town for a Dose of Magnesia. took it this morning at 4 O'clock. when I write I feel a little better my Medicine having operated. But whether it will Do me any permanent good remains to be seen. go to bed quite poorly.

Oct 9 Clear & cool. big Frost. Milton Taylors men came on to move my Carriage house. got it Done and that was all. Benj helped them in afternoon. Picked apples the Ballance of the Day. Margaret bought her a sett of new Dishes at T E Vickers cost 7 25/100 Doll. I am some little better to Day.

Oct 10 Cloudy & warmer. feel some better but am yet far from well. eat 2 fried oysters for Breakfast but find them too rich for my Stomack. at 1/2 past 8 walked out into the lane. took a short ride in one horse wagon. walked Down to the Barn & back. Sat out on the Porch some time. feel none the worse of it.

Oct 11 Clear & pleasant. am not quite so well to Day. Mr & Mrs Gordon & Marius Robinson spent the afternoon with us. Old Thomas McCan is burried to Day. Died of Dysentary. Wm McCracken called in a few minutes.

Oct 12 Clear & warm. we are getting in our Buckwheat and threshing it to Day. I walked out several times to Day. feel very much better. Sold Daniel Bonsall 1 Dollars worth of Plank.

Oct 13 Cloudy but soon cleared off and remained warm all Day. I assisted Hannah to get the One horse wagon ready and Margaret Drove me to Town where I voted. Sat a little while after which we went to Brother Jesses. walked over to the Brick twice. got home safe about 3 O'clock PM. Augustus Harris & Mattie Chessman were married at 9 O'clock this AM. went away on the Cars soon after.

Oct 14 Cloudy & cooler. I am not so well to Day. have eaten something objectionable to my Stomach. wish I knew what it was as it seems hard to Suit. Election news very cheering Republicanism at premium.

Oct 15 Clear & frosty but was warm all Day. Benj gathered our Cider apples. I am quite Poorly to Day. have not got over my trip up Town. about 6 O'clock PM Cousin Sarah Cary & her Husband Silas Cary arrived from Bucks Co Pa. I am too sick to entertain them but am very glad they have come to see us.

Oct 16 Cloudy & cooler. Ben took our apples and Cider Barrels out to John Gordons. Bought the Barrels of Jerry Bifzell. gave him 10 Dollars for 4 first rate ones. Cousin Sarah is not well to Day but Silas & I talked about all Day. Brother Jesse & Aaron Wilson called out a short time. in afternoon Uncle Silas Howell came. he could entertain them which relieved me very much.

Oct 17 Cloudy & cold with stiff breeze in north. Uncle Silas is here this morning. is going to take the Friends up Town to see his Boys 3 of whom live there. at 9 O'clock they have all gone which relieves me very much as so much excitement is injuring me. Sister Lizzie Wait went out to John Gordons and Bought 1/2 bushel of quinces cost 1 Dollar. one 1/2 of them are for Margaret. they are very fine ones. (Torch light.

Oct 18 Clear & cold. apples that are Down froze hard. I feel some better this morning. Since Sunrise the leaves have all fallen from the walnut tree. Benj tapped our new cider. I took a good Drink and am now awaiting the result. feel none the worse an hour after. as I write no harm came to me on account of Cider. am now eating Cod fish with entire success.

Oct 19 Cloudy. Margaret & Hannah is Boiling Down our Cider. Benj went to Mr Gordons and finished making. I ate Codfish Both cooked & raw & Drank cider all Day. hulled some walnuts. seem to be getting Better now but cannot say how long it will last. Samuel Chessman spent the evening with me. he is good Company.

Oct 20 Cloudy & Damp. am still getting better. got up at 4 O'clock made up a fire & sat until 5 when I awakened up the Family to get breakfast. Benj is Delivering some apples Sold by Sis on yesterday and went to all the coal banks in the county & could get no coal. brot a load of Slack for Cris Kineman and gathered a few apples. Margaret went to Town this afternoon. Bough Calico Paper Envelopes sweet Potatoes soap Cotton Batten & various other articles. I am still mending. wrote 2 letters etc etc.

Oct 21 Cloudy but Pleasant. I went to Town in the Buggy. took Sis up with me. Bought a small Peice of Boiling Beef. came home by myself. feel none the worse for the trip. eat very hearty of Codfish that has been my principle Dish since Sunday morning and have Drinked freely of new Cider which seems to agree with me very well. Benj is Digging Potatoes.

Oct 22 Clear & cool. Benj has gone for coal. James Philips came out to look at a mutton sheep but says it is not fat enough. I am not quite so well to Day. ate something on yesterday that Did not agree with me. had a hard spell of cholic last night. Did not get to sleep until about midnight.

Oct 23 Cloudy & cool. Benj hauled a load of coal & Dug Potatoes. I sat in the house all Day. Tacy Gilbert came out at sunsett. Brot me her Father & Mothers Photograph. I was glad to get it. feel much better to Day. Butchered our calf.

Cloudy & cool. got up early. am still improving. Ike Taylor Butchered our calf. it was a good one Brot 15 91/100 Doll. I Delivered it with Mike & Buggy got home again at 3 O'clock PM. feel none the worse of the ride. Benj is Digging Potatoes. Lizzie Wait is Baking for us.

Oct 24 Clear & warm. Our Cousins returned from the west on thursday night. on friday they visited Tom & Aaron Wilson. to Day they are with us together with Mother Hise Siste Una Phebe & Lizzie Wait. Samul Sharpnack Geo Henshilwood Brother Jacob & wife Hannah Sharpnack (Dons wife Brother Jesse & wife Uncle Silas & wife Mary Gordon of Philadelphia Nina Garragues & others making a pretty good crowd. had a pleasant time. Benj Dug Taters.

Oct 25 Clear & warm. this forenoon us & our Friends took Diner with Brother Jacob. I walked Down & Back but am some the worse of it either from eating or waking. in afternoon Uncle took them Down to Washingtonville to see Timmon.

Oct 26 Clear & warm. I took Old Mike & Buggy expecting to meet our Friends at Sister Phebes at 1/2 past 9. they were not there and I went on to Town. Done some schores & came back to Phebes & waited for them. they Did not come until noon. after Diner I took Silas up on Bowns block where he had a good view of the Town & its surrounding. in afterpart of the Day we all went Down to Joel & Sarahs where we took Supper & spent the evening. I came home a little earlier than some of the rest.

Oct 27 Cloud but Pleasant. Silas & I went Down to the Buckeye Macine shop where he got a Satisfactory look at the Tools & machinery. at noon I left him at Hamilton Howels & I came home feeling too unwell to stay from home longer. took a little nap of sleep and returned to Town with Benj. he is hauling our shingles out as the Boys have commenced Destroying them. I was too sick to come home until almost night. Our Friends took leave of me in Horns shop I being too sick to get off of the chair. I got home Safe but am very much amiss caused I suppose by over exertion. I go early to Bed. Sis Does not come

home to night. She takes Supper with our Friends at Norman Garrigues.

Oct 28 Clear & Pleasant. our Friends leave this morning at 8 32 for Philadelphia. I am poorly to go to the Depot to see them off. Benj & Bill Bowman are wallingup the Spring back of the shop after which they are going to cut Saw logs for lumber for Hog Pen. I walked out to the woods & Back twice. showed them what trees to cut. got all cut before night.

Oct 29 Clear & very pleasant. Benj is helping make our apple butter. John Marshall walked up & arched over our well. Dug back of the shop and made a complete job of it. Hol Arner & her Father spent the afternoon & evening with us. I helped cut apples all the forenoon. Mosses Tabor came out for his Sick Chair that I have been using the last 2 months. his Son Charles is in the last Stages of the Consumption & has to have it. I can now Do without it and am under great obligation to him for it.

Oct 30 Clear & Pleasant. all hands making apple butter to Day. I peared & cut apples all forenoon. ate too much Diner and am suffering the consequences in afternoon. am too sick & nervous to write. am feeling a little better at 4 O'clock. I suppose it will wear off.

Oct 31 Cloudy & windy. wind blowed hard from Southwest all night and at Daylight is raining. on last evening I received a letter from Wm Hise of Iowa saying he had sent me by Express a fine specimon of Sandhill Crane. Benj went up to the Express office with it to get it Dressed & Preserved. wet all Day. Benj is putting our apples in the cellar. Margaret finished making her apple butter. she has 18 gallons and it is superior quality. to Day she is Doing up her quinces. Benj returned from Shreves with the word that our Bird was already spoiled. am sorry for that. John Shephard gathered most of our walnuts between showers.

Nov 1 Cloudy & Damp. snowed some but melted as it fell. I am sick at stomack all Day. have been trying to vomit but at 12 O'clock have not been able to succeed. Margaret & Sis is Doing up quinces. wrote a letter to Wm Hise of Iowa. Ezra Wait & wife alled out a short time. they go to Ravenna tomorrow. are going to live there. Mother Hise is going with them. Charlie Jobes came on to Day. He is going to board with us to go to School this winter & to work between School Days.

Nov 2 Cloudy & cool. walked to Town & Back by 11 O'clock. Done some schores but am hardly capable of it. am very weary when I get home. took a nap of sleep before Diner. Benj & Charlie are threshing some wheat this afternoon. I am very Billious. Doc Rush gave me medicine for it. nice fall weather. Benj & Charlie hauled some Brick & Sand to Doc Rush. in afternoon threshed some wheat.

Nov 3 Clear & warm. Benj & I went early to Town. Both voted for Grant & Colfax. took up some apples & sweet Pumpkins. I stayed up Town nearly all Day. at 11 O'clock I went Down to Sim Sharps. took a short nap after which we had a fine Diner to which I Done ample justice. called around to see Geo Martin (he is at Marius Robinsons. But he

is too busy there to help me at present. met Margaret at Vickers store with a Horse & Buggy. got in & came home with her. improved fast all Day. Benj & Charlie threshed to Day. heavy Republican gain in Perry Township with a corresponding Democratic loss. lots of them voting an open Republican Ticket.

Nov 4 Clear & cloudy at intervals but is fine weather. hauled in some logs. husked corn. I spent the afternoon in Town. am still gaining strength. Wiley is Digging holes for our apple trees.

Nov 5 Cloudy & cold. Wiley started in good time to Mark Bonsalls for appletrees. But there were so many to serve first that we Did not get away until nearly sunsett. Put the trees in the Barn over night. I am very tired. had Diner at Bonsalls. got but 20 appletrees 10 Pennocks & 10 Lopsides.

Nov 6 Clear & cool. assisted Wiley what I could and we sett out our 20 trees. Wiley Dug holes the ballance of the Day. in afternoon I went Down to Sharps saw mill & showed Tom how I wanted my logs sawed. from there I went to Philip Evans & gave his son a list for 33 more appletrees. he will have them ready for us by noon. from there I went to Town. brot out 5 lb of good steak got it at J Helmans. still improving in health and strength.

Nov 7 Cloudy & cool. Geo Fleck came out and tore Down our mantle & cupboard in sitting room and cut hole for hearth. got every thing ready to sett the grate. I sett out 4 more appletrees and attended to some sawing. Peter Heitman came up to Day. he will stay all night. Benj & Charlie hauled Brick.

Nov 8 Cloudy & Pleasant. Peter & I took a walk out to see the sheep. came by Jacobs and stopped in a short time. they are making applebutter. at 11 O'clock I got Peter to hitch up Old Mike to the wagon and I took them & went out to John Gordons after Cider. Rained so that I could not return. will stay all night.

Nov 9 Cloudy & wet. got up at 5 O'clock. still too wet to come home but after waiting awhile Mr Gordon hitched up his own horse & Buggy and I came home & sent Benj back with it and he brot Mike & the Cider back with him. I spent the afternoon in Town. Robt Justice Paid me 58 40/100 Doll rent money Due up to Nov 1 1868. sold E Murphy 5 bushels ears of corn. Charles Tabor & Debrah Hays Both Burried to Day. Both good Friends of mine.

Nov 10 Cloudy & wet. Benj hauled logs & lumber until noon. in afternoon put apples in the cellar. I spent the afternoon in Town. Rained all Day. Paid one half of my Tax. Bought 6 gallon jugs & 12 milkpans.

Nov 11 Cloudy & cool. spit snow all Day. Benj hauled some lumber. Burried our Cabbage etc etc. I spent the forenoon in Town. collected a little money. in afternoon I hulled walnuts. Bought 112 lb of good Beef cost 10 cts per lb.

Nov 12 Cloudy & cold. ground froze this morning. walked over to Jim Saxtons new house & from there to Town. got home at noon. in afternoon S Chesssman took me to Town & Back. the Baptists Paid 300 Dollars. 260 of it I Paid to Chessman and he credited my note.

Nov 13 Clear & very Pleasant. Benj is working at the corn. I am not so well. can Do nothing of account. hired Wiley to clear away the trash where we want to Build our new hog pen. in afternoon he & I moved our Carriage house 2 feet further west. got it where we wanted it this time. Gov Tod Died.

Nov 14 Clear & butiful. took two of our horses up to Geo Perine and got him to shew them all around. Reason Bricker came on this morning & sett our Coal grate in the large Room. Wiley made mortar & carried Bricks. Benj & Charles husked corn. fine Day for that Business.

Nov 15 Clear & beatiful. got up early & walked Down to Levi Straleys to see about getting a Buck. will get one in a Day or two. after breakfast Margaret Nora & I went over to Father Goulbourns. came home early. I am too unwell to get about. fear I shall have to take medicine. wont if I can help it.

Nov 16 Clear & Pleasant. am so much out of sorts this morning that I shall eat no Breakfast. went to Evans and brot home 2 more apple trees and 5 quince trees & sett them all out. have now sett out 58 apple trees in all. Margaret & I went to Town in afterpart of the Day. I brot home a side of harness leather.

Nov 17 Cloudy warm & wet. Benj finished putting our apples in the cellar and enlarged our coal House. I worked at Carpentering putting up the Cupboard agan that we tore Down to sett the grate but am too Poorly to anything of account. wet all Day.

Nov 18 Cloudy & cool. Benj hauled Brick all Day. I Done errands about Town. Bought myself a Cap. sold some apples. Bought a gum house brush cost one Dollar. Bought a piece of fair leather and in evening cut and prepared to make myself a Pocket wallet of it. want a good one and that is the only way I can get it. Nathan Chesnut Paid ____ note (58.06).

Nov 19 Cloudy & cool. Benj hauled Brick in forenoon. in afternoon he worked at our Coal house. Brot home our 2 Pairs of new cottage bedsteads. I Bought some spikes. made myself a pocket wallet. took me nearly all Day but I have a good one. rained a little in afternoon.

Nov 20 Cloudy & cool with ground covered with snow and more a falling at 7 O'clock AM. Benj is hauling coal. I finished putting up the cupboard in sitting Room and at 10 O'clock am very tired and sick. Kindled a fire in our new grate in Sitting Room. Does well. got a letter from John Hise.

Nov 21 Cloudy & cool. ground covered with snow this morning. Benj hauled Coal. Charlie & I hauled lumber from the Brickyard and built a temporary hog pen in forenoon. in afternoon we let the Carriage house Down to its Place. snowed considerable but melted as it fell. started Down to Straghleys in the Buggy but had a collision with another Buggy Driven by a couple of Ladies and got my shafts both broke square off. I got Lavern Webb to haul it up to our lane end and I went on "Old Mike". Aaron Bennett (Hannahs Brother) is here to Supper. is going to Stay all night. he hails from Fairfield.

Nov 23 Cloudy with ground covered with Snow. it looks quite like winter out of Doors. Benj & I took Down the Shed Poles from the Brick shed below the House and hauled them up to Barnyard to build Cattle shelter. hauled some Boards from Town. I spent the afternoon in Town. cleared off and at sunsett very Pleasant. want to husk our Corn on tomorrow. little Nora spent the Day with Sis in the Store. got a letter from Silas Cary of Bucks Co Pa. wrote an answer this evening. feel some better this afternoon. head still out of sorts.

Nov 24 Clear & very Pleasant. several hands husking our corn. I Done errands all Day. feel much better than I have for a week or two. Uriah Bull & Geo Reed Died last night. Brot Nelson McCans Cotswell Buck up from Levi Straighleys. brot 6 of his sheep along and turned them in with ours.

Nov 25 Cloudy & moderate weather. John Mathews came out and finished Plastering our chimney this forenoon. in afternoon went out to Salt the sheep and found the Dogs had been among them and torn some of them badly. 2 of Streighlys is hurt. one of them I think will Die. brot them up and put them in the Sheep house. finished husking our Corn and got it all in the Crib.

Nov 26 Cloudy & wet. rained moderate last night. Benj & Charley threshed wheat. Wiley & I worked at the Foundation for hog Pen until noon. in afternoon Margaret & I visited at Joel & Sarahs. C C Burligh was there with Mr Ellis Marius R Robinson and several others. cleared off in afternoon and at sunsett is very Pleasant. Sister Phebe breaks up house keeping to Day. is going to Iowa in a few Days.

Nov 27 Clear & Pleasant. went up to Tom Sharps machine Shop. got Privilege to saw 2 sills for hog pen. his man hauled in the log & helped me saw them. Wiley & Benj cleaned up the wheat and hauled up the sills & some other timber.

Nov 28 Cloudy & cool. Wiley & I Put up the foundation. Put sils on and laid the floor for hogpen. snowed about noon but Did not last long. went up town in evening. engaged Jo Siples to come and helped me frame hog Pen. Bought 100 lb of good Beef for 8 Dollars. hind quarter.

Nov 29 Cloudy and cool. ground froze this morning. I got up at 5 O'clock when it got light enough. I laid out 4 Posts for hog pen but it is as much as I can Do. in afternoon I

went to hear C C Burleigh Preach. he Spoke in Desciples Church. I got home at Dark. am very tired.

Nov 30 Cloudy & cool. Joseph Siple came on this morning to assist me in Building a hog Pen. in forenoon Wiley & I Built a coal house for Joel Helmon. in afternoon I worked with Joseph at the hogpen. snowed some and growed gradually colder all Day.

Dec 1 Cloudy & cool. Joseph Did not come to Day. his goods has come from the west and he is attending to them. I repaired harness. am quite unwell yet. Nora is 6 years Old to Day. she is getting some Birth Day Presents.

Dec 2 Cloudy with a little Snow. my Carpenter is on hand again to Day. Benj & Wiley cut and hauled a red oak for Shingles. Sister Phebe and 2 of her Children Starts at 6 O'clock PM for Iowa. I sent 1 Doz whip lashes to John Hise By her cost 7 Dollars per Doz. moderate winter weather with Roads rough. am feeling better this evening.

Dec 3 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. sent a letter to Uncle Benj Gilbert of Lancaster Co Pa. I am too sick to Do anything to Day But Joseph is working away at the Hog Pen. got it about Framed. Philip Evans called over a little while. Benj hauled our shingle log some Rafters & cornfodder. I was up to see Geo Martin. he is not yet ready to work for me. Bought Wiley 100 lb of Beef cost 7 Dollars of L Wally.

Dec 4 Cloudy & colder with wind in East. commenced to raise our Hog Pen But it soon commenced to storm & we were forced to quit. Joel Stratton & Pack Seeds called up and spent an hour or two sitting by the fire. I am yet too sick to work any. snowed fast at 3 O'clock PM.

Dec 5 Cloudy & moderate winter weather. Benj & Charlie hauled a load os straw to Bill Weldon & threshed Oats. I Done nothing. John Moore of Beaver Co Pa Bought 11 Bushels of our winter apples at 75 cts per bushel & he assorted them to suit himself. I held the light for him. am quite poorly with Dispepsia to Day. Mark Bonsall got some brick.

Dec 6 Cloudy & moderate with some fog this morning. got the Dispepsie yet. John Moore is with us. going to stay until tomorrow. I am Poorly all Day.

Dec 7 Cloudy & snowing. took John Moore & his apples to Depot in the Sled. I went to Town with them. Bought an overcoat cost trimmed out 23 96/100 Doll. Paid for it. went to Wm Betz and got oysters for Diner. they are no better than some other things for me. am very sick after eating them. Benj called for me and brot me home at 1/2 past 2 O'clock. warm & raining at 3 O'clock PM. Joseph Siple came out this morning but it is too stormy to work out of Doors.

Dec 8 Cloudy & very windy all night. went early to bed am quite unwell. snowing & Drifting all Day. Benj brought a sled load of Beefs feet from Jacob Helmans Slaughter

House. is going to get the Oil out to put on our Harness. I repaired harness all Day. was sick when I commenced but at 4 O'clock PM I feel much better. Florene Clemens Died this morning of Consumption. will be Buried on thursday next at 2 O'clock PM. Sledding is tolerable good.

Dec 9 Cloudy & cool. snowed a little. mended Harness. Paid Joseph Siple 2 Dollars. Benj made Oil. sold Doc Sturgeon a couple of Turkeys 22 1/2 lb for 12 1/2 cts per lb. fine winter weather. feel much better than I Did a Day or two ago. roads are rough.

Dec 10 Cloudy & cold with a little more Snow. Benj took me over to Father Goulbourns. got measured for a new overcoat. took a Peice of Pie and went from there to Robt Tolertons and Bought a pair of white Turkeys cost 2 Dollars & fifty cents. from there he brot me to the Buckeye Machine Shop where he left me. took Diner with Simeon Sharp. attended the Funeral of Florene Clemens (a vey large one) after which Edwin Hise & Margaret brot me home. have been pretty well all Day. J F Dickinson & Lizzie Goucher called to see us in my absence. saw them both at the Funeral.

Dec 11 Cloudy & cold. got "Old Mike" shod after which Margaret Nora & I went to Harriet Arners. took Diner & spent the Day. Roads are sollid but not quite Snow enough to make Sleighing. got home in good time. Benj Hauled 1 load of coal. Joel McMillen Butchered his Hogs.

Dec 12 Cloudy & cold. mended Harness until noon. in afternoon I walked to Town. Bought a X cut Saw for 2 Dollars of John Adams. Benj & Charlie cleaned some oats and Benj hauled a load of coal. clear & cold all Day. fine winter weather as can be.

Dec 13 Cloudy & cold. at ten O'clock we took 2 horses & Sled. went to John Gordons visiting. went to Ellsworth road. called at Harriet Arners & took J F Dickinson & Lizzie Goucher with us. met John Gordon coming to meeting. he brot Richard Ramsden home with him & we brot him to his own home with us. we all got home Safe about Dark. found the fire good & house warm. I feel pretty well considering every thing.

Dec 14 Cloudy & cold. Benj & got some poles to make a wood rig for the Sled after which Benj brot a load of coal. I spent a part of the Day in Town. had a conversation with Jacob Ambler at his office concerning the pay Paper that David Woodruff issued with my name forged on as security. it is now about 11 years old. I am going to have it Discharged if Possible.

Dec 15 Cloudy & moderate winter. Benj hauled coal. I spent a Portion of the Day in Town but am so sick was forced to come home before noon. got a letter from Tacy Gilbert. she is now at Turtle Creek Allegheney Co Penn.

Dec 16 Cloudy & moderate. Packed one Barrel of Apples (Russetts) in Sand. at 10 O'clock Margaret Nora & I went to Richard Ramsdens and spent the Ballance of the Day. I was very sick when I left home but felt better when I returned. after Supper am sick

again having ate a little cabbage which I suppose I should have let alone.

Dec 17 Cloudy & moderate winter weather. this morning my head is out of Sorts yet. Ben Oiled Harness and hauled in fodder. I filed my X cut Saw. spent most of the Day in Town. Roads are good.

Dec 18 Clear & pleasant. chopped our Sausage meat that I bought on yesterday of Philip Evans (50 lbs at 10 cts per lb. cheap enough it is very nice. in afternoon took some apples to Wm Bates and Printer Hutton. must secure our apples against the Rats. they are playing hell with them.

Dec 19 Clear & cold but as I write looks pleasant out of Doors. Benj & I assorted our apples and secured them from the Rats. I spent a part of the afternoon in Town. Pleasant all Day.

Dec 20 Clear & very pleasant all Day. fine Day to work if I had have been able. was up to see Geo Martin. want him to shingle my meat shop. wrote a letter to Tacy Gilbert.

Dec 21 Cloudy & windy. some colder & snowing. Benj hauled coal & shingles. I worked at a small Bedstead for Nora. ground froze a little to Day. got a letter from Benjamin Gilbert of Lancaster Co Penn. Nora is unwell to Day.

Dec 22 Cloudy & cool. got Doc Geo Gordon to come out and see Nora. she has a very sore mouth. I Bought some Christmas Toys (one Dollars worth). Benj & I gathered some moss and Built a Table. I am sick all Day.

Dec 23 Cloudy & colder. Blowed & Snowed last night. I was sick all night. got up at 1 O'clock. Nora is yet quite Poorly mouth still very sore. I worked at a small bedstead for her. was sick all Day. took Diner with Sim Sharp.

Dec 24 Cloudy & cold. too cold to snow. finished Noras little Bedstead and came home by noon. in afternoon made a Paper House and fixed up for Christmas. am too sick to Do it right. Nora is very poorly too so that it is rather Discouraging. Doctor Dake came out with Geo Gordon to see her. Does not know exactly what to think of her case. must see her again. her mouth is exceedingly sore.

Dec 25 Clear & cold. I slept on the Sofa in noras sick room last night. she rested well and this morning seems some better. is pleased with her Christmas Toys. Doctor Dake & Geo Gordon came out again this morning. Pronounced Nora much better. I am yet sick (Damn the Dispepsia). nothing Done to Day but taking care of stock.

Dec 26 Cloudy & cool. Benj took corn & Oats to mill. I bought 4 mill Sacks cost 50 cents each. called at the Farmers National Bank and got J Twing Brooks to cancel 2 notes Dated 1858 (one calling for 500 Dolls the other for 350 Dollars) on which David Woodruff forged my name as security. Brooks wrote an acknowledgment on the Back of

each that will forever Prevent any portion of Said notes from being collected of me or my heirs. I feel grateful toward Brooks for his gentlemanly conduct in the matter as he might have caused me considerable trouble and some expense. as it is it is all Settled. Benj got ready to Butcher. must attend to that job on monday. Nora seems some better. her mouth is very sore.

Dec 27 Cloudy & warmer. snowed a little last night. Ironed my Buggy shafts and put them on the Buggy. Sis & Edwin Hise went out to John Gordons. I Done several schores to Day. feel much better than comon. Nora is much better apparently this morning. insisted on having her clothes on & getting up but poor child she was too weak and was soon exhausted and Back in Bed tired enough. will take at least one Day to recruit her. walked up to Reason Bricker and Borrowed his Rifle gun to shoot our hogs. thawed a little all Day and as I write at 6 O'clock PM is quite moderate out of Doors.

Dec 28 Cloudy & moderate. Benj & Wiley Butchered our hogs 6 of them. got Done in good time. I went Down to Samuel Sharpnacks and brot Sister Una up to assist us. got along well. in evening we cut up our hogs. got the Sausage meat all ready to cut the lard all ready to render out etc etc. Nora is much better this evening. little Maggie Gee is with Nora. that Pleases her much.

Dec 29 Cloudy & warm. Benj & his force threshed Oats. I helped Do up the Butchering. got all Done up and took Sister Una home again. turned colder towards evening. we could not have been more favored for fine weather. Nora is improving.

Dec 30 Clear & Pleasant. salted my meat. Benj & Charlie cleaned up the Oats they threshed on yesterday. Mark Lyons called to see us & took Diner while here. thawed some to Day. Roads are good. Nora is mending fast. Timothy Gee called a short time took Supper with us.

Dec 31 Cloudy with some fog this morning. worked some in the shop. spent a part of the Day in Town. feel pretty well to Day. Nora is still improving but is too weak to be up any of account. thawed a little to Day. Roads are excellent. (Farewell to 1868).

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Jan 1 Cloudy & wet. Rained all night last night but Does not thaw much. I worked in shop most of the Day. Benj Oiled Harness. too wet to Do anything out of Doors. Rained about all Day but is not yet muddy. thaws but very little. Nora is much better. is out of bed a part of the time.

Jan 2 Cloudy & wet. worked in the shop in forenoon. in afternoon went to Town. am very poorly all Day. Nora is getting well. Charlie Oiled Harness. Benj loafed in Town.

Jan 3 Clear & warm at Daylight. finished mywagon seat. am too sick to work more. Mrs Walker spent a Portion of the Day with us. warm all Day.

Jan 4 Cloudy & warm. splendid Rain bow at 8 O'clock AM. Geo Martin Put roof on meat shop on Penn Street. I assisted him in afternoon. Did not get quite Done. Rained a little at times through the Day but not enough to stop us from work. Bought 1 Keg of 4 D nails cost 6 13/100 Doll. roads very muddy.

Jan 5 Cloudy & a little colder. finished our roof this morning. growed colder all Day. Rebecca Williams & Margaret Wisner visited us this afternoon. snowed a little. ground is freezing up again. quite cold at sunsett.

Jan 6 Clear & cool. walked over to Stoddard Browns. hired him to chop wood. give him 75 cts per Day & his Dinner. he is to commence in the morning (Tomorrow). Benj Wiley & I commenced in Hilliardsclearing to Day at noon. can get lots of wood & Saw logs there. clear and Pleasant all Day. I feel considerable better. used our X cut Saw that I Bought and like it much.

Jan 7 Clear & cool. Stoddard Brown came on this morning and we all 4 went to the clearing. Stoddard & Wiley chopped & Benj & I cut Sawlogs until noon. I got so tired I Did not go back in afternoon. Margaret & I went to Town. took little Nora to Doc Rush that he might see her. he gave some Powders for her. Day fine & mud Drying up.

Jan 8 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up and looks like Rain. all of us went to the clearing but I found I could not work. came home at noon. in afternoon ground Wileys axe. Settled with Joseph Smith. he owed and Paid me 45 41/100 Doll. Mark & Pat Lyons brot me home in their Buggy. Rained a very little and is still warm. got my Cant hook from Chessmans where it has been for several years. I had not wanted it until now.

Jan 9 Cloudy & a little cooler. very windy all night. think it will get colder soon. Benj Charlie & I worked all Day on our new hog Pen. got it all up except the Rafters. Uncle Silas Howel was with us this afternoon & took Supper with us. is going to Stay all night. Rained a little but got some colder before Dark.

Jan 10 Cloudy & Pleasant weather. Uncle Silas Started for his home at 11 O'clock after which I went to work and framed the Rafters for hog pen 22 of them. Brother Jesse called out a little spell towards evening. Pleasant all Day. I feel quite comfortable as regards health to Day.

Jan 11 Cloudy & Damp. got up at 5 O'clock made fire in the Kitchen. commenced snowing at Daylight & snowed all Day. I spent a part of the Day in Town the Ballance at home. consideable snow now. will Do to haul logs.

Jan 12 Cloudy windy & colder. lots of snow this morning. helped Benj haul Sawlogs But it is harder work than I can Do yet. must get Wiley. Mark Lyons is here going to Stay all night.

Jan 13 Cloudy & colder. Wiley is helping Benj to Day. Mark Lyons & I went to Town and spent the Day there. he went home with his Brother Patrick. I am quite unwell all Day. sledding is good.

Jan 14 Clear & Pleasant. Wiley is helping Benj again to Day. I went out and showed them which logs to haul first. Margaret & I called on Mother Townsend and met Susan Smith (her Daughter) wife of Joseph Smith of New Jersey. from there we went to Father Goulbourns. got my new overcoat. found Peter Heitman here when we got home. Fred Carson with him. thawed all Day.

Jan 15 Cloudy & warm. snowing a little. Peter & Fred started for home this morning. I helped Benj & Wiley until noon. thawed all Day but we can haul logs well. spent the afternoon in Town. heard that Robt Marlow Died on yesterday.

Jan 16 Clear & Pleasant. Benj Charlie & Wiley threshed Oats. I spent the afternoon in Town. took Supper with Edgar Vickers. stayed the evening intending to see Slight of hand performance but the magician Did not come so I Saved my quarter. thawed considerable.

Jan 17 Cloudy & a little colder. took 2 Horses & Sleds went up to Aunt Ann Townsends visiting. Hannah & James Townsend Isaac Taylor & Susan Smith (the latter of New Jersey) went with us. Wm Townsend took me over to Wm Campbells to see a young horse he has for Sale but he is too Small for me. we got Safe home about 1/2 past 7 O'clock. found all well. Sledding only tolerable. Robt Marlow Burried.

Jan 18 Cloudy & snowing. Benj & I took 2 horses & the Sleds put our Male Sheep in it and took him out to Sampson Philips and exchanged him for a ewe. Benj went from there to Thomas Callahans. Did not come back with me. we went by way of George Burns to look at a couple of Colts his grandson has for Sale. took female hog to Philip Evans. took Supper with him. came home across the fields. snow too Deep to walk easy but I made it. snowed about all Day and thawed a little But sledding is pretty good.

Jan 19 Cloudy & a little colder. I repaired harness all Day. Margaret visited at Aunt Marys. lent T E Vickers our Sleigh to go to his motherinlaws Funeral (wife of David Galbreth of Fairfield. Benj is back this evening. thawed a little to Day But at Sunsett is colder.

Jan 20 Cloudy and moderate winter weather. helped Benj & Wiley haul logs until noon. in afternoon went to Town to hunt a Stove but found none to Suit me. thawed a little to Day.

Jan 21 Clear and very Pleasant all Day. helped Benj & Wiley get logs. thawed considerable to Day but in the woods logs slip well yet. feel much better the last Day or two.

Jan 22 Cloudy & cold. Benj Wiley & I worked at the large Oak tree (got of Hilliard) into fence Stakes wagon Spokes cooper stuff etc. by noon. in afternoon went to mill. Bought 8 more bags. we now have 12 new ones.

Jan 23 Clear & Pleasant. spent the Day in Town. Bot a cook stove for 11 25/100. Set it up in Noras Block. Benj hauled coal. Charlie cleaned up Oats. Sun Shone Pleasant all Day.

Jan 24 Clear & Pleasant. worked a little in the Shop. measured up my Blackwalnuts 5 bushels. sold them to Rittenhouse for 75 cents per bushel. Emma & Kate Walker spent the afternoon with us. I made an advertisement for Robt Justice.

Jan 25 Cloudy & snowing some. got our Beef butchered to Day. I brought our Hog home from P Evans. took some house hold goods up to Noras Block for Hannah Bennett & her Mother. they are going to keep house a few weeks. wrote a letter to Wm Hise of Iowa. went up to Mrs Watterworths to Buy a maple tree. Did not get it certain but think I will. sun shone this afternoon. sold our beef hide for 5 95/100 Doll.

Jan 26 Cloudy & colder. Ben hauled manure from Town. I attended to getting our beef cut up and brot home. in afternoon I repaired harness. Settled with Louis Williamson owed him 9 48/100 Doll. Paid him 8 43/100 must Pay for the Ballance as soon as convenient. he took Diner with us. Cleared off and was very pleasant from 9 O'clock.

Jan 27 Clear & frosty. Benj hauled Mrs Bennett a load of coal in forenoon. in afternoon he & I worked at our Pig Pen. I spent the forenoon in Town. Henry Shaffer moved his stable into commerce Street. thawed considerable. was very Pleasant all Day.

Jan 28 Cloudy but moderate. Benj & I worked at the pig pen all Day. getting it along first rate. sun shone Pleasant in afternoon. went up town in evening. sold 5 Doz eggs for 25 cts per Doz.

Jan 29 Cloudy & Dull. George Fleck came on this morning to help us Carpenter. got

one half of the Roof of henhouse. rained a little in afternoon but we stuck to our Shingles most of the time. took a gallon of cream up to Supper given in honor of Thomas Paine. his birthday is being celebrated. a Mr Pike a celebrated Geoligist Delivered the address. I heard it and was well Pleased with it. it was a success but I Did not stay to Supper as I felt that it would hurt me. 10 Turkeys and all the Oysters in Salem were used up at the Supper.

Jan 30 Cloudy & colder. we shingled until noon. in afternoon we enclosed our hog Pen and got the hogs in it. it will be completed when finished. growed colder all Day.

Jan 31 Cloudy & colder. ground is froze this morning. I made hinges and hung the Doors to our hog Pen. Brother Jacob is here to Day. Toward evening I went to Eli Fawcetts thicket and cut 12 Sassafras Poles for chickens to Roost on. Margaret is spending the evening at Joels.

Feb 1 Cloudy but not cold. George Fleck came on this morning & he & I worked at the chicken House. about 10 O'clock it cleared off and was Pleasant as midsummer. we roofed it up all complete. have it nearly completed. in evening I attended a meeting in Town Hall to see what could be Done toward Building a Rolling Milland Furnace in Salem. But as I felt unwell I came home before they took any Position more than the mere organizing of the meeting. Jacob Ambler Jacob Heaton & one or two Others made a short speech before I left. Lizzie Wait is here to night.

Feb 2 Cloudy & colder this morning. I am quite sick this morning having been taking with vomiting and ____ about 2 O'clock. this morning signed a note cutting for 5.50 Dollars for Sis Wait. Ezra her husband is going to Borrow it of some one in Ravenna. it is to come Due in one year. kept close house all Day.

Feb 3 Cloudy & wet. Benj & I worked at the Carrage house. Put the corners under it. Brot our inside Blinds out from Edwin Smiths. John Gordon called out a short time. I went to Town with him and came back with Benj. feel some better but am Poorly yet.

Feb 4 Cloudy & colder. wind blowed and the Rain fell last Evening but this morning it is snowing fast from the northwest and is cold and Stormy. some of our chickens got into their new Roost. them that Did not faired Badly. Uncle Silas Howel called and took Diner with us. I soled my Boots. snowed all Day. wrote a letter to Wm Townsend for John Gordon.

Feb 5 Clear & cool. brot our new mantle Piece out from Town and George Fleck (who made it) put it up by noon. Benj & I hauled in 2 small Saw logs. in afternoon Benj hauled Saw logs for Joel Stratton. thawed considerable this afternoon.

Feb 6 Clear & cold. Benj hauled 60 bushels of coal to Geo Fleck. I Done nothing. spent most of the Day in Town. thawed some but the air is raw all Day. Tom Wilson Sold his Grey Saddle Horse for 320 Dollars.

Feb 7 Clear & very Pleasant all Day. Margaret & Nora went up Town. Sis & Ed Hise took a ride over to Father Goulbourns. I stayed at home. hung the lath Door to chicken house. Sis & I Papered our new chimney and hung up the Pictures. things look about right in our sitting room again. it is now as comfortable as I could wish. I have no ambition to have a better.

Feb 8 Cloudy & warmer. ground is frozen a little this morning. ground my Broad axe and hewed 86 feet of timber. (the Plates for our Straw house thawed and is muddy at sunsett. engaged Geo Martin and he is coming tomorrow to frame our Straw shed. must try to get it up now as in the Sumer we shall have too much else on hand. got a letter from Brother William of Iowa.

Feb 9 Cloudy & wet. rains a little but Benjtook the team up to Town & Brot George Martin & his Son Hugh out to work at the Straw house. we worked at the Barn but it soon ceased to Rain and we framed out of Doors. got along fine. another Day will finish the framing. in eveningI took George & Hugh to Town. went to Tom Sharps and got permission to Do some Sawing for myself tomorrow. brot Sis home with me. Roads are very muddy frost very nearly out.

Feb 10 Cloudy & Dull. Dense fog at 5 O'clock AM. worked at our Straw house all Day. got about framed. Dull all Day and Rained a part of the time. Raised the Roof of the old shed. took George & his tools home this evening. will try and finish it ourselves now.

Feb 11 Cloudy & Dull. a little colder this morning. I notice a little frost on the wet Boards. Benj & I worked at the Straw house until about 3 O'clock PM when we went to Sawmill and sawed until Sundown. (very muddy). Nora has a severe cold.

Feb 12 Cloudy with weather about the Same. Benj & I are Both at the mill Sawing out our logs. am tired at Sunsett and will go early to Bed. read the Salem Journal & New York Tribune.

Feb 13 Clear & warm. spent the Day in Town and never saw a Pleasanter one this time of year. Saw lots of Old Friends in Town. Bought some iron & a file. want to make some Sugar Augers. mud is Drying up fast. Benj & Charlie threshed Oats.

Feb 14 Cloudy & wet. made one Dozen sugar Augers. am tired enough to rest the Ballance of the Day. no one called on us to Day.

Feb 15 Cloudy warm & wet. rained considerable last night. Benj & I hauled large Boulders and planted them in the Barn yard for foundations for Straw and sheep house. hauled our lumber up from the Sawmill and framed some of it. rained and Snowed at intervals but we worked out all Day. am in earnest now must have our sheep house up if Possible. Paid Stoddard Brown 160 cents all I owed him.

Feb 16 Cloudy & colder. ground froze this morning. made 4 augers. Bonded a couple of Sulky hubs for John Gordon. made myself a good Screw Driver. spent the afternoon up Town.

Feb 17 Cloudy & warmer. ground is covered with Snow. Benj & I Sawed Down a Poplar tree. made 5 sawlogs. hauled them in and put in the time until noon hauling logs onto the ways ready for Sawing. framed some at our Straw house. I went to Town toward evening. Bought Nora a Box of water collared Paints. Rained some at times this afternoon.

Feb 18 Clear and cold at sunrise but soon clouded up and was cold all Day. ground still covered with Snow. we Sawed 14 of our small Saw logs to Day. cannot Do anything else while the weather is so rough.

Feb 19 Clear cold and windy. wind blew a gale from the northwest all night. Sawed to Day getting along well enough. cold all Day.

Feb 20 Cloudy cold and at Daylight ground is covered with Snow and more falling. hauled in more of our logs and sawed several of them up. Disagreeable all Day. Charlie took Mike & the colt (Charlie) and hauled Ed Hise a load of coal. 16 1/2 Bushels was as much as he could haul the roads are so Bad.

Feb 21 Cloudy & cold. ground still covered with Snow. had Doc Howel & Family and Geo Gordon Ike Taylor & Hannah Townsend here to help us eat a fine Turkey. Howel & Gordon were two of my most faithful nurses During my sickness last Sumer. they were with almost every night turn about and they are both as good nurses as any one could wish. I shall always love them and cherish their memory for their kindness to me. we had a very Pleasant visit.

Feb 22 Cloudy & colder. rained and froze in the night and is so icy this morning it is Difficult to walk out. went to Town and sold our fat hog for 10 cents per pound live weight. am to take her up tomorrow forenoon. she is too heavy for us to handle or we would have butchered her ourselves. Sawed some 40 foot sticks in two. hauled them to the mill and Sawed them. got along well to Day.

Feb 23 Cloudy & cold with a couple of inches ofsnow. took our hog up to the Butcher (Harman). she weighs 494 lb. got 49 40/100 Doll for her. I stopped in Town until afternoon. have a very severe head ache. came home & found Joseph Heiton & Marius Robinson here waiting to see me. the former wanted to advise me what to Do to get well.

Feb 24 Cloudy & cold. colder than it has been for some time. felt some better this morning but my head still aches severely. too cold to take the Team out. I kep close house. cut Pattern for Brackett and some toward the Brackett itself. Rough weather all Day.

Feb 25 Cloudy & cold. Benj hauled sawlogs for Joel McMillen and Joel Stratton. sledding is Pretty good in the woods. I am in the house working at my Brackett all Day. am too unwell to be out. have a severe head ache. took a Dose of Pills but at bedtime they have taken no effect. Paid Mary Bennett 5 Dollars the first money she has Drawn.

Feb 26 Cloudy & cold with more snow and at 6 O'clock is snowing. my head aches severely this morning. at 8 O'clock AM the Boiler in Edwin Smiths Sash Factory exploded. Killed the Engineer (Geo Theack and Badly scalded 4 others Harlen Pyle ____. Demolished the building entirely. Smiths loss is heavy in Prepared material for building purposes. varnished my Brackett & made silver Band for cane. Ben hauled logs for Joel Stratton.

Feb 27 Cloudy & stormy most of the Day. Benj & Wiley cut and hauled to the Sawmill from Hilliards clearing 2 large white elms for fence boards. I suffered severely with head ache. was not out of the house all Day. have a cold in my head.

Feb 28 Clear & Pleasant. suffered intensely a few hours this morning. sent for Doc Rush he says I have an acute Catarrh accompanied with neurology. about 10 O'clock the pain grew easier and by evening I feel quite comfortable. Timothy Gee and his wife spent the afternoon with us very agreeably to all Parties. in evening Doc Rush called in a short time. he was on his way home from Franklin Square whither he had been to administer to a Patient. retire to bed feeling quite comfortable.

Mar 1 Clear & cool. Benj hauled logs for Joel Stratton. I awakened up feeling comfortable but by 7 O'clock my head commenced Paining me and I suffered intensely until about 3 O'clock PM. Cris Kineman called in and he & I made a contract to make brick. he is to mold sett & case for 8 cents per thousand and I am to give him 20 cents per hour to help burn the Kiln. agreed to pay him every Saturday.

Mar 2 Cloudy & moderate weather. Benj hauled coal one load to Brother Jacob & one to ourselves. I am suffering most of the Day with head ache. got a letter from Cris Kineman in which he wants to make a new Bargain. I will make none with him now. he may look somewhere else.

Mar 3 Clear & warm. Benj is hauling coal. I am getting along pretty comfortable thus far (2 O'clock PM. sent by Ed Hise for a Pair of Arctic Over shoes but he could fine none in Town. Ike Taylor happened to have a Pair and he kindly let me have them. Harlen Pyle Died this afternoon from injuries received at the explosion of the Boiler at the Sash Factory on last Friday morning.

Mar 4 Clear & Pleasant at sunrise but soon clouded up and turned colder. Benj hauled us one load of coal and in afternoon he & Wiley cut some Sawlogs on Theodore Watsons land. I walked Down there and back but it was too far. came back sick at Stomack and vey tired. laid Down a couple of hours and feel some better. at 4 O'clock am writing it Down at which time it is snowing some. quite like winter yet. General U S Grant

inaugurated President of the United States to Day. I learn this evening that Harlen Pyle did not Die until 5 O'clock this morning so that his reported Death on last evening was a mistake.

Mar 5 Clear & cool. Benj hauled in a few logs in forenoon. in afternoon he attended the Funeral of Harlen Pyle. I spent most of the Day in Town. am getting much better. Roads excellent. Saw the first Velocipede.

Mar 6 Clear & cold. rough weather out of Doors. snowed and blowed at intervals all Day. I spent the Day in Town. Benj could Do but little. went to mill etc.

Mar 7 Clear & cold. sun shone Pleasant all Day. I visited a couple of hours at Philip Evans. from there I went to Brother Jesses to Diner where I met Margaret and Nora. spent the afternoon very Pleasantly. Jesse & I walked Down to the Ruins of the Sash Factory of E Smith. thawed but little.

Mar 8 Cloudy & cool. got up at 1/2 past 2 O'clock. wrote a short article entitled "let us have light" for the Salem Journal. got ready to run the Sawmill but found Sharp had let the water out of the Boiler. hauled in 3 small logs. hauled a load of hickory Plank to the Buckeye Foundry. it was worth but little. Delivered 800 Brick to E Sunnydecker to wall his well. thawed a little in the Sun. Roads excellent.

Mar 9 Clear & Pleasant. made 4 sugar augers. Benj is over at his Brother Josephs whose little Son is very sick of Scarlet fever. spent the afternoon in Town.

Mar 10 Cloudy & wet. rained considerable last night. took Sis to Town and returned in the Rain. Ironed 2 Pair of harness. in afternoon walked over to John Gordons. took a handsome cane and Bracket. made them expressly for and Presented to Mr & Mrs Gordon. Rained about all Day. Isaac Bonsall Died.

Mar 11 Cloudy & cold having turned cold in the night. ground froze hard again and covered with snow. stayed all night last night at John Gordons where I left for home about 1/2 past 11 O'clock. took Diner with E T Vickers after which I went to the Depot to see P H Sheridan but the train was behind time and but few got sight of him. I saw him not. got Wiley to help me haul some Brick. snowing at 6 O'clock PM. in attempting to cross the Brickyard I got in the water over Boot tops. went into Wm Pidgeons. Drew my Boots emptied the water out and Dryed them out. Borrowed a pair of Dry Socks and kept on at my work and as I write feel none the worse. Doctor Kinsey G Thomas of Alliance Died this morning at 1 O'clock.

Mar 12 Cloudy & cold. considerable Snow. Wiley & I hauled one load of Brick then he took the Team and Brought himself a load of coal. I gave him one Dollar to pay for it. spent a good Portion of the Day in Town. am considerable tired.

Mar 13 Clear & sun shines very Pleasant this morning. worked some in shop and spent a

portion of the Day in Town. roads some muddy.

Mar 14 Clear and pleasant. made 3 sugar augers and enclosed my hog pen. towards night it clouded up and got some colder. Jesse Hise called out a short time.

Mar 15 Cloudy & cold with about 4 inches of snow. quite a change since yesterday. I took Sis to Town. Bought a little iron intending to make sugar augers but I found it too cold in shop for comfort. came to the house and repaired Harness. William Campbell (Son of Robert Campbell) Died last night. he has been sick but a short time. he has lived about Salem near 40 years. owned a number of Acres of Land in north edge of Goshen & South edge of Berlin Townships. was considered to be wealthy. got a letter from Wm Mercer of Philadelphia. answered it. got a letter from Dave Donnally saying he would work for me this Summer at 26 Dollars per month and Boarded. I had made him that offer.

Mar 16 Clear & cold. made myself a good stone Pick. 1/2 soled Wileys Boots. in after we cut cooper stuff. sun shone Pleasant all Day but thawed none of account. air is cold. Wm Campbell Burried to Day.

Mar 17 Clear & cold. froze hard last night. all hands getting cooper stuff. thawed but little. Plenty of snow yet. gave Wiley an order on Robt Justice for one Dollar.

Mar 18 Clear & cold. Sun shines Pleasant at 7 O'clock. got out Cooper stuff all Day. I have felt very well all Day. roads muddy at noon but will freeze up to night.

Mar 19 Cloudy & colder. ground froze hard this morning. walked over to Father Goulbourns with little Nora. left her there to Stay all night. she is very much pleased with the arrangement. from there I walked up to Town. came home to Diner and returned to Town where I spent the Ballance of the Day. snowed and stormed about all Day. commenced about 11 O'clock.

Mar 20 Cloudy & raw cold air. Benj finished threshing our Oats. I spent the Day in Town. am not so well yesterday and to Day. roads getting sloppy.

Mar 21 Clear & cool. sun shone all Day but thawed very little. made 9 sugar augers. Fred Smith called and spent a few hours. took Diner with us. Edwin Hise Paid me 25 Dollars for Brother Jacob.

Mar 22 Cloudy & cold. ground froze hard. Pumped up the Boiler at Sharps Sawmill and sawed a little. had some trouble in consequence of the Frost. about noon (or soon after) it commenced Blowing & Snowing from the East and I never Saw it storm harder than it Did the Ballance of the Day. we have now more snow thatn we have had at any one time this winter. March has thus far been as Rough as well could be.

Mar 23 Cloudy & cold with near one foot of snow. will not Saw to Day is too

Disagreeable. will sett by the fire. have caught a severe cold. feel very much under the weather. laid on the Sofa all Day. cleared off and melted the snow very fast this afternoon. roads are very sloppy.

Mar 24 Clear & Pleasant. Did not freeze much last night. want to run the Sawmill to Day. Do not feel well but will try it. sawed all Day got along well. sawed 2032 feet. Paid Joshua Webb through the hands of his Son Isaiah $449.47 and got a Deed for the 3 Acres of land with the appurtanances I sold to him in 1862 now occupied by Brother Jacob and is to belong to him when he pays me what it cost me. have a sore throat.

Mar 25 Clear & warm. Sawed all Day. am getting along well. frost came out fast. clouded up in afternoon and at Dark is raining. road very muddy. throat is getting better feel quite well to Day.

Mar 26 Cloudy & wett with a little wind blowing this morning. Done some Sawing. cleared off and is very Pleasant. water is abundant on top of the ground.

Mar 27 Clear & Pleasant. Sawed to Day but the logs are too large for the Saw. we have to turn them Down so often we can Saw but slow. Thomas Woods a Prominent Lawyer and Editor of the Ohio Patriot Died Suddenly about 9 O'clock last night of Heart Disease. he had been married but about two weeks. he was sick but one hour or perhaps less even than that. Roads very muddy. lent G Trimble one of our Horses to Day.

Mar 28 Clear & warm. worked in shop all Day. making a Toy gun which I have named the "Peace Maker". Put an iron frame on our meat Saw. Peter Heitman came to see us about noon. at sunsett it is a little cloudy in the west.

Mar 29 Cloudy & wet having rained some last night. we Sawed to Day. wet we could have Done little else. got a line from John Hise and one from him also for Geo Henshilwood which I Delivered to him at Agnes Henshilwoods. he had the Rheumatism at Present. Mrs Jacob Hise very sick. Margaret is with her all Day.

Mar 30 Cloudy & wet. Slept alone last night. Margaret was Down to Brother Jacobs all night and is still there as I write. Peter is still with. it was too wet for him to go home on yesterday. Rained all Day. we worked on the Sawmill. got along slow.

Mar 31 Cloudy & some colder. ground is frozen a very little this morning. got up early & walked over to Tom Sharps. brot a little Oil for Sawmill. got along slow to Day. the wood is too wet to burn. Henry Straughen Died at 8 O'clock on last night (of Consumption). he was Cashier of the first National Bank of Salem.

Apr 1 Cloudy and a little warmer. Rained moderately all Day. is very Disagreeable out of Doors but we worked in the Sawmill and got along well. Ebenezer Fog an old Resident of our Country for several years the leading Farmer of Goshen Township Died to Day (or at least I learned of his Death to Day). he came to this section from New Jersey at an

early Day.

Apr 2 Cloudy & wet having rained most of the night but at 7 O'clock as I write the sun is shining. sawed all Day got along well. turned colder. rained and froze as it fell.

Apr 3 Cloudy & cold with one inch of Snow & more falling at 6 O'clock AM. finished up all our Sawing by noon. cleaned up the mill and went to Town in afternoon. cold and Disagreeable all Day.

Apr 4 Cloudy & cold. ground froze & covered with Snow. walked over to Benj Hilmans and offered to sell him a Portion or all of our Farm. he is going to look it over. stayed pretty close to home all Day. Peter Heitman & Dave Donnelly came on this afternoon. expect to commence work tomorrow. cold & Rough.

Apr 5 Cloudy & cold. ground froze hard. Peter & Dave tore Down our Corn Crib and trimmed some apple trees. I spent a good Portion of the Day up town. am quite unwell this afternoon. thawed considerable and is very muddy. Benj hauled Geo Fleck a load of coal but the roads are so bad he could bring but 10 Bushel. I bought to fire Backs for our cook Stove cost 104 cents.

Apr 6 Cloudy & stormy. snow considerable this morning. we succeeded in raising our Straw house and Put on the flooring Boards. am glad it is Done as far as it is. David Yengling Paid me 9 50/100 Doll all he owed me. am glad toget money as just now it is a scarce article with me. Sis has a severe head ache could not be at the store to Day. cloudy and dull most of the Day.

Apr 7 Cloudy & cool with some rain last night. Discharged Benj this morning not from any fault I had to find with him but simply because I could not well stand the expense. I had secured him a situation at Sam Chessmans. he went and hired with him is to commence to morrow. myself & force worked at our Straw house got along well. snowed and stormed hard at times through the Day. Spring is very backward. we have a host of jobs to Do before we can farm any. Sis is still unwell but is some better this evening.

Apr 8 Cloudy and warmer. Peter Sowed our Timothy seed. Dave burried a large Boulder. Charlie & I worked a about the Barn. I made a new Stone Boat. in afternoon Peter & Charlie hauled 600 Paving Brick after which all hands made a good Ditch on north Side of lane and Drained the water all off complete. I Done some work at the Strawhouse. no rain to Day. Lou & Jo Walker visited us to Day.

Apr 9 Cloudy & Dull. all three of the men withthe horses tore out Stumps. I worked at the Straw house got the rafters on. mud is Drying up fast. Sis is better to Day.

Apr 10 Cloudy & cold. the men are still working at the Stumps. I worked a little at the Strawshed. spent a portion of the afternoon in Town. Paid Cris Kineman 25 72/100 Doll

all I owed him & more too. Bought a clothes Basket. John Gordon presented us a jug of molasses.

Apr 11 Clear & cloudy at intervals & cool all Day. cold east wind. ground is Drying very fast. I Repaired our well windlass that had got a little out of order and mended the ____ of Sharps saw that we broke accidently. sett out a seed onion. feel like making some garden. think I must try it soon. Brother Jesse & wife called out a short time. he Read a Portion of two Sermons By Spurgeon the Great English Babtist Minister that was about as full of humbug as an egg is of meat. he is going to read one of them this evening to their Congregation as their minister is unwell. it is marvelous to me that such stuff can edify any one. it is as much like feedingthe Soul on Sawdust with wooden spoons as anything I can compare it to.

Apr 12 Clear & cool at sunrise and continued cold all Day. finished piling Stumps by noon. I got everything ready to start 2 plows tomorrow. in afternoon we righted up some of our lumber at the Sawmill. Roads are Dry & rough. Benj Heilman is moving out of his little farm. he is going to Build a new house this Summer.

Apr 13 Clear & cold. ground froze considerable. commenced Plowing for Oats. sowed and harrowed some of it. Sett our Stump Pile on fire. Burns well. Sister Una brot us some Pumpkin Seed. cold all Day. made a square of garden. sett it out in Onions.

Apr 14 Cloudy & cold. ground is froze hard this morning. went To Town and got some eggs and sett a hen. Sett out 9 sugar trees and fenced them in complete. Done a little work at the Straw shed. cold all Day. Boys are still Plowing oats ground.

Apr 15 Clear & cold. worked hard all Day at the Straw shed. got one side lathed ready to shingle. got our Oats sowed and harrowed in very nicely. our Big stump pile is all burned up. heard to Day that Edward Hively is very sick at New Brighton. would like to and shall Probably go to see him. sun shone very Pleasant all Day but is yet too cold for grass to grow. have a fresh Cow this morning. am very tired. must go early to bed. little Nora is absent went over to Father Goulbourns yesterday intending to stay until Sunday next. we miss her much.

Apr 16 Clear & Pleasant. 3 of us Shingled at the Straw shed. Charlie hauled a load of coal for Geo Fleck and cleaned off the Potatoe Patch. spaded some garden. Planted Peas etc etc. looks like Rain at Dark.

Apr 17 Cloudy & cool. rained some last night. Peter plowed ground & Planted some Potatoes. we built foundation and Put the sills on our addition to Kitchen. Henry C Wright visited & took Supper with us. we shingled some. Pleasant most of the Day.

Apr 18 Clear & warm this morning. I went Down to Joel McMillens to talk a little with Henry C Wright. he gave me his photograph. I placed it along side of Wm L Garrison (where it justly belongs). carpentered some on our enlargement of Kitchen. very Pleasant

all Day. Geo Merideth called out & he & I took a walk Down to Hilliards clearing. on my Return found Marius R Robinson here. was sorry I was absent so long as he stayed but a short time after my arrival home.

Apr 19 Cloudy with a little Rain. Peter commenced Plowing corn ground. Dave chopped wood. Charlie Drove Team hauled lumber. Geo Fleck weatherboarded the gableend of our Straw house. I assisted him what I could. wind blowed strong from southwest most of the Day. Sold Philip Evans some scantling.

Apr 20 Cloudy & wet. tried shingling but the Rain forced me to quit. went to Town & Bought some trifles. Charlie hauled some wood to Geo Trimble and Board cooper stuff etc etc. Peter Plowed what he could between showers. in afternoon Dave & I rived staves. several showers through the Day.

Apr 21 Cloudy windy & cold. Dave & Charlie are chopping. Pete Plowing and I am Doing schores of which there is an abundance to Do. finished Riving cooper stuff & took it to Town. Brot out our grape vine (Hartford Prolific) 6 gooseberry bushes 6 Cherry Curants 1/2 Blackcap Rasberry which I had ordered from Pittsburgh cost 3 25/100 Doll. Sett the grapevine at Southwest corner of Carriage house.

Apr 22 Clear & warm. got up early went up to Wileys. engaged him to come and help us get Brick wood. sett out gooseberry bushes & currants before breakfast then 4 of us went to J Hilliards clearing and put up a fine lot of wood. fine growing weather now.

Apr 23 Cloudy & warm. sett out our Rasberry briars this morning. 4 of us worked at getting Brick wood. Rained at times through the Day but we worked most of the time.

Apr 24 Clear & cloudy at intervals and Pleasant weather. all four of us worked at the wood. I spent the afternoon in Town. Donnelly & Peter went home. I Paid Donnelly 15 Dollars & Charles Jobes 5 Mary Bennett 2 Wiley 3. colder at sunsett with wind in north.

Apr 25 Cloudy & cold. worked at the Kitchen extension all Day got along well. Simeon Sharp & wife called out to look at our stoves we have for Sale. I Do not know whether they will buy them or not but think they will. Donnelly & Peter returned at 6 O'clock PM. Margaret & Nora walked up to Brother Jesses. got Back before night.

Apr 26 Clear & Pleasant. we are working on the Brick yard to Day. sett out some Basket willow in the woods & 5 locust trees in some place. Do not like to Destroy them and they were in our way here at the House. got our Tempering tubs repaired. Pete hauled manure on Potatoe patch. clouded up and looked very much like Rain but none of any account fell.

Apr 27 Cloudy & fine growing weeather. got a couple of shed forks and are now getting ready to make Brick. Samuel Murphy came on this morning to work for us. he is but a small chunk of a Boy but can help me haul Brick. he is helping Peter pick stone off the

meadows to Day. John Thompson Died very suddenly last night. 3 of us worked all Day at the Brickyard.

Apr 28 Cloudy & warm. 3 of us on the yard. luted the yard and hauled 3 loads of sand. put 2 of them on the yard. it soon commenced raining which is just what it needed. it will now be sollid. Peter & Sam Planted Potatoes this afternoon. the Early Shows & Peach blows. cloudy & raining at 6 O'clock PM.

Apr 29 Cloudy & Dull. some cooler. all hands shingling to Day. ground is too wet to Do anything with. got along well. John Thompson Burried to Day.

Apr 30 Clear & fine. Peter & Sam are Boating stone & the Ballance of us on the Brick yard. got the shed on complete & 2 pits filled. will make some Brick on tomorrow if it Does not Rain between now and then. at sundown it looks & feels like Rain. brot a Cat & 4 Kittens home from James Davis's.

May 1 Cloudy & wet. Rained considerable in the night and at 7 O'clock is still at it. The Boys laid floor in strawhouse. I worked in the shop. Paid Geo Caul for chopping 12 cords of wood. Rained by spells all Day. is very Disagreeable out of Doors. cold wind from northeast.

May 2 Cloudy wet & cold. finished a wheelbarrow for Mrs Trimble. it is now about 2 years since I commenced it. made & ironed a wagon tongue for Samule Chessman. Charles Grizzell called and spent a couple of hours with us. quite agreeable to all hands.

May 3 Cloudy cold and windy all Day. sun shone some but was cold and Disagreeable all Day. Dave Charles & I shingled at the Strawhouse. got it nearly finished. Peter & Sam Boated stone.

May 4 Clear & warmer. no frost this morning. commenced making Brick. I am busy Doing up schores. Peter & Sam are still Boating stone. finished getting them off the cornfield to Day. commenced to make brick. the weather is yet too cold but the Boys got out nearly 2000 Brick the first D Donnelly ever molded.

May 5 Cloudy and Drizzled rain a little this morning but cleared off and was pleasant at noon. Jesse Hoops (who works for Snyder & Woodruff came out & he & I Put the Spouting on the barn by noon. we can now catch plenty of Rainwatter. took Trimbles wheelbarrow to them. brot home a hop root from Mr Child & sett it out. he also gave me 2 strawberry setts that came from Mount Vernon Said to have been imported from Germany by Geo Washington 15 years prior to his Death. I shall take good care of them.

May 6 Cloudy & cool. Peter is hauling sand to the Brickyard. I piled enough up to keep him hauling 2 Days. get it at the foot of Coys hill. came home Past Hilliards clearing & Sharps sawmill. mended a Pick. made gate hinges and hung a gate at the Brickyard. rained slowly from 5 O'clock PM until Dark.

May 7 Cloudy with no rain through the night. made Brick until noon when it rained hard. we worked about the Barn in afternoon. our spouting will have to come off again. it has not sufficient fall. the water stands in it.

May 8 Clear but the yard is too wet to make brick. we tore away 2 Bridges filled up the Run where one was & Built a new one at the other. I Done but little afternoon. Leonard Schilling applied to me to Lease the Coal & other minerals that may be under our Farm. it Does not strike me very favorably. I must give the matter some more thought before Doing it.

May 9 Clear & some cloudy at intervals. carpentered most of the Day at our Kitchen. Mary Yengling called over a few minutes got a setting hen. warm and Pleasant. turned our Horses out.

May 10 Cloudy & clear at intervals. Peter is working the Roads. Sam & I hauled 2000 Brick to Trimble in afternoon. the Brick hands are at work. Sold Charles Grisell one of our old Cows (Allice) for 40 Dollars. it is a low Price but consideraing her age I thought it enough and asked him no more. he gave me a check in the Farmers National Bank for 35 Dollars & the Ballance in money.

May 11 Clear & warm. went Down to Hilliards clearing and measured the wood George Caul has chopped 21 cords & Paid him for it. in afternoon hauled Brick. Leased away the coal that may underlie our Farm. their surface operations are confined to one acre in the Southwest corner of our land. the Surface is to be undisturbed on all other portions of the land.

May 12 Clear & warm. hauled Brick all Day. looks like Rain. made 4000 Brick to Day. Peter has the corn ground ready to plant. Sold Butter & Eggs to Charles H Cornwell.

May 13 Cloudy & wet. Rained too much to Plant corn this morning. cleared out the Cellar. one of our little Pigs has "gone under" have ten left yet. Planted corn in afternoon. ground is not too wet not having Rained much.

May 14 Cloudy with no more Rain last night. Repaired our wagon (that had gotten a little out of fix) before breakfast and am jotting it Down to wile away the time until Breakfast is Ready. Sis is singing some Scotch air as she makes her mothers Bed. Charlie & I hauled some Brick after which he went for a load of Coal. I & margaret with Little Nora went visiting over to Father Goulbourns where we met Joseph Saxon & wife. J F Dickinson and his Daughter Harriet Anne (Widow). Peter & Donally finished Planting one field of Corn. Rained considerable in afternoon.

May 15 Cloudy & wet. is raining at 5 O'clock. made Putty and glazed my kitchen window (12 lights) before Breakfast. worked under the shed at Brickyard in forenoon. in afternoon hauled Brick. Signed Bond for Jesse Duck. he has been appointed Collector of

Internal Revenue in this District (17th). has to give heavy bond and I am one of 5 (viz) Allen Boyle John C Whinney Mr McCarty Wm McCraken & myself. Rained hard at 6 O'clock.

May 16 Cloudy & wet. Ironed Cultivator & Singletree for Charles Grisell. Put in the window and got our Kitchen ready for the Plasterers. hailed some about noon. Charles Grisell called over a short time and we had a Pleasant talk. he went from here to Joel McMillens.

May 17 Cloudy & cool. can make no Brick to Day. the Boys are hauling Brick. we rung our hogs before breakfast. Margaret & Nora took the Mail Train at 10.38 and started to Ravenna. I assisted them on Board the Cars and Saw them off Safe. in afternoon Peter & Sam planted the Ballance of our Potatoes. no rain to Day.

May 18 Cloudy & cold. wrote a letter to Nora before breakfast. Sam & I haul Brick. the Boys are moulding to Day. it still look like Rain. Peter is preparing our small Patch for Corn. want to Plant it tomorrow. got a letter from Margaret. they arrived Safe.

May 19 Cloudy & cool. Peter & I finished Planting corn and white Beans by noon. in afternoon we hauled Brick. made 4000. cloudy all Day and at noon Rained a little. made a contract with Jacob Farquhar to haul my Brickwood for one Dollar per cord.

May 20 Cloudy & cool. made 4000 Brick. I assisted Peter & Sam to load. they hauled all Day. Richard Garrigues Paid me 15 Dollars on acct owes me about 80 yet.

May 21 Cloudy & wet. Rained good Part of the night. I finished the Carpenter work of our Kitchen. it is now all Done except the Plastering. Peter assisted me. Blacksmithed some. the Brick makers are tearing Down the casing from the Kiln. Rained all Day and is still at it as I write at 5 O'clock PM.

May 22 Cloudy & clear at intervals through the Day. all hands hauled Brick. Margaret & Nora returned at one O'clock. had a pleasant visit. I met them at the Depot with wagon & "Old Mike" & Brot them home where they were pleased to be. mud Dried up fast to Day. wind in north & cool.

May 23 Clear & Pleasant. no frost this morning. got up at 5 O'clock. Boiled Potatoes for the hogs fed the chickens etc etc. after breakfast Peter & I went Down to Hilliards clearing. took account of wood cut by Geo Caul. found I had Paid him one Dollar too much. came home by Levi Straighleys. talked awhile. called at Benjamin Hilmans and helped him Roll a large stump over out of his way. Martha (his wife) Served us with a glass of excellent wine of her own manufacture from grape the Pure juice. it was quite Palatable. the Ballance of the Day I slep & Read alternately But the former Predominated. Mrs Walker called out an hour or two. took tea with us.

May 24 Clear & warm. helped haul Brick or rather I should have said helped load Brick.

sold 3 loads. Signed 2 notes as security for E G Wait my Brotherinlaw who lives in Ravenna. I was loth to Do it as I Do not like this thing of going Bail but I want to see him succeed and consequently consented to sign them although it was Done against my better judgment. made 4000 Brick to Day.

May 25 Clear & warm. sett out some Tomattoe Plants this morning. it is now fine growing weather. made 4000 Brick. Sold and hauled lots of brick. Paid the grading Tax on Penn St Property 5 25/100 Doll. Paid Charles Hayes 3 60/100 Doll for Groceries Bought while I was sick. thretened rain but none fell.

May 26 Clear & Pleasant. the Brickmakers went to work before breakfast this morning for the first time. I spaded up a square in the garden before breakfast. helped haul Brick. about five O'clock a heavy rain passed around to the north. we got our Brick all covered. got as near ready for it as we could when the wind hauled around and brot it Directly over us. we had a heavy rain. cut our Brick considerable.

May 27 Cloudy & wet. is cool with wind in northwest. hauled & sett Brick. Sold Wiley a coal Cookstove for 1200. rained most of the afternoon. the team stood in the Stable.

May 28 Cloudy & wet. stuck our Peas before breakfast. ground is now very wet. sett Brick and cleared up in the Shed. Peter hauled Brick. cloudy all Day.

May 29 Cloudy & wet with more rain last night. we hauled & sett Brick. Dave Donnelly went home at noon. I spent the afternoon in Town. Amos Aspey called on us a short time took Diner with us. Rained about 7 O'clock PM. Paid Benj Wilkins 20 Dollars. credited it on a note he held against me.

May 30 Cloudy and Dull. The Grand Army of the Republic commemorated the Dead Soldiers that are Burried in Salem to Day by a grand Procession & music. Speeches were Delivered by M R Robinson John Clemens and Jacob A Ambler. a very large concourse of People Present and the ceremonies impressive. all Past off harmoniously. the Priests and their Slaves absented themselves because the believed it a violation of the Sabbath. Poor fools. the was plenty without them. when will men learn wisdom. never while an interested clergy has controll of their Reasoning faculties. very heavy Rain at 6 O'clock PM.

May 31 Cloudy & wet. the Boys washed our sheep and piled the manure. too wet to Do anything else. I made a wheelbarrow frame in afternoon. rained some. washed our sheep & altered the Lambs.

Jun 1 Cloudy at Sunrise but there is some indications of its clearing off. I have to go to New Lisbon to Day. 1/2 hour later and just as I was getting ready to start I got word not to go until further orders. we made foundation for our Crib house. graded the lane. Put the Dirt in chicken & Carriage house. Peter and I shangled at the Barn. got it very nearly completed.

Jun 2 Clear at 7 O'clock. we must try and make some Brick to Day. made 4000. hauled Brick. got our house insured in the Home New York Co. M R Robinson Agt for 1500 Dollars at 1 per cent for 3 years.

Jun 3 Clear & pleasant. at 7 O'clock I started to New Lisbon and spent the entire Day there. Put up my horse & took Diner at Cowen (Watsons Old Stand). the Trial not coming on I started for home about 1/2 past 5. John Rakestraw (an old Friend) rode with me as far as Amity Mills where he left me walk to his farm where he had a horse to ride home. I arrived at home about 1/2 past 7. found all things well.

Jun 4 Cloudy with a very little rain about 4 O'clock AM. got up early went over to see Jehu Strawn and Dressed a stone Pick for Benj Hilman. went to Lisbon John Moore took me Down in his Buggy. got Back at midnight. Mother Chesnut came with me in John Moores Buggy. Rained some.

Jun 5 Cloudy cold & wet. rained considerable this morning at 8 O'clock. sett Brick. some hauled Brick. weather poor for Brickmaking.

Jun 6 Cloudy & cool. no frost. finished shingling the Barn at noon. I met John Gordon at Betzs corner and rode home with him. came back Past Tom Wilsons coal Bank. got home before sunsett tired entough. sun sett clear.

Jun 7 Clear & Pleasant this morning. Peter replanted corn. I haul Brick. the boys made 4000. a little frost in places this morning.

Jun 8 Cloudy & cool with wind in northwest. sett out our Tomatoes before breakfast. Tom & I hauled Brick. Peter finished Replanting our corn. in the evening I attended a R Road meeting. the Project is gotten up by Zadok Street to connect the Eastern & Southern System of R R making the Cincinnatti and Buffaloe the conspicuous Points. But the Road is already made to within 7 miles of New Philadelphia Tuscarawas Co Ohio from Cincinnatti and from Buffaloe New York To Youngstown Ohio and there is also a Road from New Philadelphia to Bayard Station a Point on the Cleveland & Pittsburgh Road but 15 1/2 mils from Salem so that in all there would be but 50 miles of Road to make to connect the Rails from Boston Mass to New Orleans Louisiana. a Company was Organized and a Charter will be applied for immediately. no Doubt the Road is entirely feasible and will be built soon.

Jun 9 Cloudy & cool. Reason Bricker Built the Pens for our Crib house. took him a little over 1/2 Day. Peter hauled Brick. threatened Rain toward evening. Mary Yengling is here going to stay allnight. John Gordon Brot his Sulky woodwork. it is not entirely completed. I will try and finish it.

Jun 10 Cloudy & wet with a shower last night. Sett Brick all Day. Pete worked the Potatoes.

Jun 11 Clear and cool wind in northwest. made 4000 Brick. Peter & Sam hauled. I sett Brick in forenoon. in afternoon Done but little. a young man whose name is Sharp sheared two of our sheep and got tired and quit. he is from Richland County Ohio. is going home in the morning.

Jun 12 Cloudy with a little rain last night. hauled and sett Brick all Day. made none is too wet. are having too much rain to be Profitable.

Jun 13 Cloudy an windy. finished the woodwork of John Gordons Sulkey & primed it. Blacked out a Dove for cane head. Rained about all Day. ground is very wet.

Jun 14 Cloudy. sett Brick until noon. in afternoon the Boys made 2000 & I sett Brick all the afternoon. rained some but the Boys stuck to it. Peter hauled Brick all Day.

Jun 15 Clear & Pleasant. framed at my Crib house before breakfast. sett Brick until noon. in afternoon Done but little. Sold my 80 Acre lot in Iowa to Samuel Grove for 800 Dollars cash to be Paid in February 1870 with interest from the Present Date. rained some this afternoon.

Jun 16 Cloudy & cool. Peter worked potatoes & corn. I worked at the yard. no rain to Day. Brot mortar from Town to Plaster our Kitchen. wrote a short letter to William Hise of West Liberty Iowa. Drawed one hundred Dollars of the Babtist for Brick. Paid it over to Samuel Chessman to be credited on a note he holds against me.

Jun 17 Clear & warmer. all going right on the Brickyard now. Peter & Sam is working the corn. I sett Brick.

Jun 18 Clear & warm. Robt Trimble paid me 75 Dollars on Brick account. I sent 60 of it by Mail to new Lisbon to Pay my Tax. sett Brick all Day. are getting along well. had a hard shower of Rain at 6 1/2 O'clock PM. had all our Brick up that were Dry enough.

Jun 19 Cloudy at sunrise but in the west it is clear at 6 O'clock AM. as I write it looks fair. sett Brick and cased at the Kiln all Day. looks like rain at sunsett.

Jun 20 Cloudy and warm. repaired our buggy or at lest commenced it. Rained very hard at 10 O'clock and continued all Day. a vast amount of water fell. made a cane that I intend to Present to John Betz of Leetonia.

Jun 21 Cloudy & wet. is raining as I write at 7 O'clock. sett all the Brick we had that was Dry enough by noon. in afternoon we cut & hauled logs for shingles. sett out some cabbage Plants. Paid Sam Murphy 10 Dollars.

Jun 22 Cloudy & Damp. too wet for Brick making. rived up some cooper stuff & hauled shingle logs until noon. sun is shiningat noon. Peter & I sett Brick in afternoon. the

Boys made 2000 Brick.

Jun 23 Cloudy at sunrise but at 7 O'clock it is Partially clear. got up at 1/2 past 4 & finished riving mycooper stuff. sett Brick a good Part of the Day. Peter assisted me. Nora & I took a ride Down to Washingtonville after Diner. came Back by Bossarts Old Mill.

Jun 24 Clear & warm. sett Brick. Peter hauled Brick. the Boys made 4000. looks like Rain at sunsett.

Jun 25 Clear & warm. Yankee Robinsons Circus & Managurie combined is here to Day. I spent the entire Day with little Nora seeing the show. in was so warm inside the Canvass that she got sick But she held out until it ended. a vast number was present to witness the Performance. it was good.

Jun 26 Cloudy & wet with considerable rain last night. the Boys made a few molds of Brick but it soon commenced raining and continued wet all Day. several heavy Rains. lightning struck a large Oak tree in our woods & splintered it up completely. Bought 8 fine shells at Auction in Town Hall. it lasted until 1/2 past 10 O'clock PM. gave 3 95/100 Doll for what I Bought.

Jun 27 Cloudy & warm. rimmed our Buggy wheel. salted the sheep. went over to James Daviss for our Cats but nobody at home. came back past Philip Evans. played 3 games of fox & geese the first for 20 years. repaired the Dam in the woods. the water was so pure I could not resist the temptation to take a wash. took no cold in consequence. slept considerable through the Day.

Jun 28 Cloudy & wet. Rained several showers through the Day. Peter is Plowing up our wheat stubble. it is grown up with cheat & sorrel. he is Dragging it Down with a chain & turning it under to rot. Bought a few more shells at Auction. have now a pretty good supply. cased at our Kiln in afternoon.

Jun 29 Clear & warm. worked at the Kiln. sett some brick and cased what I could. clouded up and at Dark. threatens rain again.

Jun 30 Cloudy & wet. the Boys sett some brick and cased some at the Kiln. I spent the afternoon in Town. sold Samuel Grove my 80 acre lot in Iowa. he is to Pay me 800 Dollars cash Feb 1st 1870. I made him a Deed and took his obligation in shape of a time Draft on Greene & Boone with his guarantee on the back of it. sold Levi Straghley 4 of our young Pigs. he gave me 16 Dollars cash for them.

Jul 1 Cloudy with Dense fogg. was Dull all Day but no rain. worked at home in forenoon. in afternoon sett Brick. sun looks very red said to be an indication of Dry weather. Peter is still Plowing the ground being too wet to work corn.

Jul 2 Clear with a very heavy Dew. made 4000 Brick. I sett a few. Pete hauled sand until noon. I assisted him.

Jul 3 Cloudy & Partially clear at intervals. Cased out Kiln and finished setting it. Donnelly went home at noon. Paid him ten Dollars. rained very hard and hailed some at 1/2 past 8 PM. Brick are all up & covered. Peter went to Alliance at 1/2 past 10 AM. 30 years ago I Procured License to get married. was about such a Rain then as now.

Jul 4 Cloudy & Dull. at times the Sun shone hot. I put in most of the Day framing at my Crib house. got it Part Raised. Uncle Silas Howel called and talked awhile with me. Peter returned this morning. this is the thirtieth anniversary of our marriage. I am well satisfied with it yet.

Jul 5 Clear & cool. some say they saw frost in low places. we had none at Unserheim. got up early and hoed the Cabbage before breakfast. worked at the Kiln. got it nearly ready to sett fire to. some of the so called Christians Celebrated the 4th to Day. were to Bigoted to Pay any attention to it on yesterday.

Jul 6 Clear & fine this morning. hoed our Tomatoes before breakfast the last chance to as I expect to fire our Kiln to Day. that will take my time for the next week. the Boys are moulding to Day. want to make all we can. made 4000 & got the Kiln fired by 6 O'clock. weather fine.

Jul 7 Clear & pleasant. feel very well after attending the Kiln all night. the Boys made 4000 Brick. I attended the Kiln. it appears to be Doing well. Peter is working the Corn. got a letter from John Hise.

Jul 8 Cloudy at Day light. attended the Kiln all night by myself. the Boys made 4000 Brick by noon. in afternoon it Rained considerable. got 18 good Iron Doors for Kiln. weighed 109 lb cost but 1 1/2 cents per lb.

Jul 9 Cloudy in the morning but cleared off through the Day. Donelly & I attended the Kiln. itis Doing fine. Charlie & Samhauled brick to C B Stratton. Pete is working the Corn.

Jul 10 Clear & warm. I & Wiley attended the Kiln all night. it is Doing fine. Donelly assisted me to Day. Kiln is Doing first rate. strong wind blowed all Day from South west.

Jul 11 Cloudy and still very windy. Kiln is about burned. Wiley assisted me last night. I have now been on Duty at the Kiln since last Tuesday evening and feel none the worse of it. closed the Kiln at 12 O'clock M. think I have a good burn. Emma Walker & Aaron H Wilson is here to Diner. I read some and Done some schores that needed Doing.

Jul 12 Clear & warm. Joshua Hilliard came and got my Repaer. I went home with him & sett it up. in afternoon I hauled Brick. the Boys made 4000.

Jul 13 Cloudy & warm. got up at 4 O'clock and went up to Town & Bought some beef. shod my horses & hauled Brick the Ballance of the Day. rained quite a shower about 6 O'clock AM and some through the Day. Peter Dave & Charlie weeded the corn.

Jul 14 Cloudy & Dense fog but soon cleared off. 4 of us worked at cutting and putting up the wheat. it is very heavy. we got up 50 Dozen large bind. some cloudy but no rain to Day. Emma Walker & Aaron H Wilson were married to Day. the went to Pittsburgh on the noon Train. some of their wedding cake is before me as I write. looks so tempting I will Proceed to eat it.

Jul 15 Cloudy & partially clear at intervals. cutting at our wheat. Wiley is helping us to Day. I am not Doing much. feel weak and good for nothing. took some butter up and sold it. Edwin Hise started for Pittsburgh in search of a job being unable to get work at Bricklaying about Salem. times is now Dull here. cut 63 Dozen more wheat. got it up in Shock.

Jul 16 Clear & very warm. cut wheat until about noon when it clouded up suddenly & Rained & Blowed hard. everything is Drowned with water. we cleared out the Barn in afternoon getting it Ready for our crops if ever we succeed in curing them. things look rather Discouraging at Present.

Jul 17 Cloudy & wet with heavy rain last night. too wet to Do anything out of Doors and have but little we can Do in Doors. Read the Salem Journal before breakfast. Dried off and the Boys went to cutting wheat. got it all Done by 2 O'clock. I ground our scythes in forenoon. the afternoon I spent in Town attending a lawsuit between Cris Kineman & Chesnut & Borens. got home at 7 1/2 O'clock. Paid D Donelly 10 Dollars & Charles Jobes 5 Dollars.

Jul 18 Cloudy & wet. Rained all Day and a part of the time very hard. waters are high. I Done no work to Day. have the Rheumatism in my left hip. no callers to Day. too wet.

Jul 19 Clear & Pleasant. bought 2 scythes & a quarter of mutton. got our mowing machine ready for operation. in afternoon Charles & I took of the casing and leveled Down one abutment at the Brick Kiln. want to haul brick soon.

Jul 20 Cloudy. commenced mowing but soon had to quit as it commenced to Rain. righted up our wheat shocks. Peter brot a load of coal. 4 of went to the Brickyard and carted brickbats into the lane. Rained & Blowed hard about 4 O'clock. can Do nothing. the Bricklayers commenced the Baptist On Corner of Main & Lisbon St.

Jul 21 Cloudy & Dull. some of us worked at the Cribhouse. some piled up Cooper stuff & stuck up Boards. too Dull to harvest. Margaret & little Nora went visiting to Paschall Seeds. brot Eltina Fullen home with them. she is just from Iowa. no rain to Day was cool all Day. Hannah Bennett was out to Day.

Jul 22 Clear & Pleasant. mowed Dried & hauled in 2 loads of excellent hay. opened out our wheat shocks Dried them all we could & hauled in 3 loads of it. am anxious to get it in. shocked some of it up again But Dark came before we could finish and we were forced to leaved open and Run the risk of getting it wet.

Jul 23 Cloudy & cool. but little Prospects of Rain. Sun shows red through the thin cloud and indicates Dry weather. commenced hauling Brick to Baptist Church with one team. with the other we hauled in our wheat. got it all in. I assisted in unloading and while Peter & Donnelly Brought a load to the Barn I worked at the Crib house. got along well with it. Sister Una visited us to Day. no Prospect of Rain at Dark.

Jul 24 Clear and warm. no dew this morning. went over to Philip Evans and got the loan of his spring toothed R. want to Rake our wheat Stubble. think it will Pay. Donelly & I stripped casing from the Kiln. rained about noon. in afternoon we Done nothing. I spent the afternoon in Town trying to colect some money. came home about 9 O'clock. Sis is unwell.

Jul 25 Clear & Pleasant. Done but little work to Day. wrote a letter to John Hise of Iowa and Read & slept the Ballance of the time. Mother Hise took Diner with us. Sis is better.

Jul 26 Clear and warm. commenced mowing but by 10 O'clock clouded up and commenced to rain but Peter stuck to it until noon. I settled with Geo Trimble. he owed me 337.00 (Paid it). Yerkes Howell called out and Paid his note off 96.08. I was glad to get the money. all hands hauled Brick in afternoon.

Jul 27 Cloudy but soon cleared off. took little Nora over to Grandfather Goulbourns. went back through Town to the Brickyard and helped load Brick until noon. Met Benj Wilkins at the new Sash Factory corner of Broadway & Franklin Avenue. Paid him 381 80/100 all I owed him. in afternoon we hauled in one load of wheat & 3 of hay. hauled no Brick in afternoon.

Jul 28 Cloudy. hauled in one small load of hay and hauled Brick the Ballance of the Day with one team. Peter mowed most of the Day. he & Donnally run the harvesting. cocked up what grass the cut in forenoon. Mr & Mrs Brettell of Ashtabula Co Ohio. Paid us a short visit. Emma Wilson & her Sister Kate Walker accompanied them. Cloud thunders and threatens Rain at sunsett. what wet & Ketchy weather we Do have. one year ago to Day I was taken with the Typhoid Fever. Schuyler Colefax who was then a Candidate for Vice President Passed through Salem that Day. I went to see him and could scarcely walk home. was not out of the House again for 2 months.

Jul 29 Cloudy & cool. hauled Brick until noon. some of us stirred our hay as it cleared off Partially and the wind blows from northwest. it Dries it considerable. hauled in some of it in afternoon. (Abram Haines Died).

Jul 30 Clear & cooler. mowed Down some of our grass and hauled in about all we have Down. getting in excellent hay. hauled no Brick to Day.

Jul 31 Clear & fine harvest weather. finished our haying. all harvesting Done now except the Oats. I have between loads made and Put up the Cubboard in the Kitchen. hung the Doors and Painted it. it is now complete.

Aug 1 Clear & warm. Painted my Buggy. shod Old Mike & wrote Mark Lyons a letter. warm all Day.

Aug 2 Clear and a little cooler. commenced to make brick again to Day. Peter & Andrew hauled brick. I helped them load. at sun sett looks like Rain.

Aug 3 Cloudy & wet. Rained last night and at seven O'clock as I write is Raining. Donnelly & I cleared out the shed. Charlie & Andrew hauled Brick. Peter went to Alliance. cleared off and rained none through the Day. sold our Pigs to Silvers came to 38 47/100 Doll making 54 47/100 Doll I got for the Ten. am well satisfied with that operation. Paid Marius Robinson 50 Dollars.

Aug 4 Cloudy as usual. to Day the Colard Population is to have a Big time laying the Corner Stone of Mt Zion Church. made 4000 Brick & hauled 7800. Paid Marius Robinson 50 Dollars got of C B Stratton.

Aug 5 Cloudy & wet. rained hard last night. we all shingled at the Crib house until noon. made & hauled Brick in afternoon. cleared off about noon and is cool with wind in northeast.

Aug 6 Clear & cool. the Boys made 5600 Brick to Day. I assisted Peter to haul Brick. got along all right. Oliver & Mary Anne Johnson of New York City called out to see us this afternoon. I was not at home. sorry I Did not see them as they are Old Friends. we worked together in the Anti Slavery harness when cost something. not then as now when every body is Anti Slavery. (it takes a live Fish to swim against the Current. Oliver Edited the Anti Slavery Bugle and Boarded with us 21 years ago.

Aug 7 Clear & cool. the Boys finished their Days work by 9 O'clock. I Done but little as Oliver & Mary Anne Johnson called out & took Diner with us. Oliver is afflicted with Asthma. Maryanne is well. I fine view of the Eclipse of the Sun. about 9 tenths of the Suns face was covered here. Joseph Fawcett Elected Mayor of Salem by a majority over James Davis of 121 votes. Rum or no Rum was Said to be the issue. Fawcett was the no Rum candidate.

Aug 8 Clear & very Pleasant. worked some at the Crib House. Mr & Mrs Gordon called a few minutes on their way to Joel McMillens to take Diner with Oliver & Mary Anne Johnson. Father & Mother Goulbourn visited us & took Diner with us. worked some on

Crib house after they went home. am anxious to get it Done.

Aug 9 Clear & warm. Peter & I commenced cradling our Oats but I soon gave out. I mowed the Down spots. Peter stuck to it all Day got full one third of the field Done. the Brick makers made 4000 Brick.

Aug 10 Clear & warm. got Charles Grizell to help us Cradle Oats. he can Do a good Days cradling yet although he is in his 70th year. I mowed and tied up some. weather warm.

Aug 11 Cloudy at sunrise. Charles help us finish cutting our Oats by noon. in afternoon we tied up 2 loads & hauled in 5. we have a heavy crop of Oats.

Aug 12 Cloudy a part of the time. got in a good Deal of our Oats in excellent order. Charles Grizell is still helping us. clear at sunsett.

Aug 13 Cloudy & wet. commenced raining about 1/2 past 3 O'clock. I got up went up to Brickyard and found the Brick uncovered. got wet as could be but I succeeded in securing them. Peter is unwell. Done no work to Day. Oats are too wet to tie up. hauled Brick & Put on some more Brick shed. cleared off in afternoon.

Aug 14 Clear & warm. Charles Grizell & his son in law Charles Foutz helped us tie up our Oats. we got it all in the Barn by 6 O'clock PM. am Pretty tired. went to town after sunsett to collect some money to Pay my Brick makers. But after following them that owed me from place to place without finding them I got so tired that I called on my Friend E T Vickers and Borrowed 20 Dollars which I expect to return on tuesday next.

Aug 15 Cloudy & at 6 O'clock rained a very little. I worked at my Crib House until about 8 O'clock when we took Breakfast after which I started on foot for John Gordons where the Children hold a Picnic. Margaret Sis & little Nora came out with Old Mike and the Buggy. I met them at Gordons & took care of the Horse after which we repaired to the Grove where we had a Pleasant time until it Rained which was while we were taking Diner. we repaired to the large trees & kept comparatively Dry. little Nora got some sick. we started home about 4 O'clock PM but was overtaken in the rain and stopped in at John Lees until the shower was over. got home Dry & found all right. still cloudy & wet at 7 O'clock PM.

Aug 16 Cloudy & Dull. got up at 4 O'clock went to the R R Station and took Passage to Massilon. arrived at Alliance in 21 minutes from Salem. arrived at Massilon 1/4 before 7. went Directly to the office of Doctor Curtis a Physician who was summoned to my bedside one year ago to Day when I was considered so far gone with Typhoid Fever that recovery was hopeless. he however administered what he calls his last resort and the consequence was that I recovered. there was some incidents connected with his visit that had made an impression on my mind and to satisfy myself as to their correctness I visited him at Massilon where we had a happy meeting one that was mutually interesting to both

of us. after showing round the Town for a couple of hours I took Reluctant leave of him. looked Russle & Co Machine Shop over. it is very extensive he is working 346 hands. turns out 8 first class threshing machines every 24 hours & 40 2 horse waggon each week and then cannot fill his orders. at 11 O'clock I left for Canton where I arrived in time for Diner which I procured at the St Cloud Hotel. visited the principle Machine Shops (and they are numerous and very extensive) and at 3 O'clock left for Alliance. arrived safe and soon fell in with Amos Aspey & he & I put in the Ballance of the Day looking around. in the evening while awaiting the arrival of a Train that might take Passage home I was waited on by Ridgeway Haines an old friend who insisted that I should go home with him & tarry for the night and I being a little tired accepted his Proffered hospitality and accompanied him home where I had an exceedingly comfortable rest.

Aug 17 Cloudy & Damp. got up at 5 O'clock. looked around until breakfast was ready afte which he & I called on Hester Anne Walton where I met Miss Webb a Daughter of Richard D Webb of Dublin Ireland who is also a Particular Friend. at about 8 O'clock I took the Train for home. formed a slight acquaintence with a young gentleman from Berks Co Penn who Presented me with 2 spears of grass Plucked from the Southwestern shore of Lake Michigan that measures 8 feet in length. it is a fox tale or red top variety. found all well at home on arrival and after changing my apparel have jotted Down the above for future reference. spent the afternoon in Town. came home with Straghley. Hallie Gee is here.

Aug 18 Clear & Pleasant. Peter & Andrew hauled Brick. I Done some schores and worked a little at the Strawshed. want to put up the Spouting.

Aug 19 Clear & warm. I weatherboarded the East side of Straw shed. in afternoon went over to Schillings Place where they are boring for Coal. from there I went to Town. came home with Earnest McMillen.

Aug 20 Clear & warm. finished hauling brick to meeting House. cleared out the Brick shed. sold a few Brick. got a letter from Mark Lyons.

Aug 21 Clear warm. Peter commenced hauling Manure. Put up one of the conductors at the Barn. throwed a note in Bank & Drew a hundred Dollars. not feeling well enough to stir about to collect it. Rained about noon & was wet all the afternoon.

Aug 22 Cloudy & Dull all Day. I sat in the House & read Byron all Day. had several Callers. David & Mary Yengling Don Sharpnack & wife & several others. I went early to Bed.

Aug 23 Cloudy & warm. commenced setting Brick but got very sick before night & was forced to quit. wrote John Sheets a letter this morning. Peter is hauling out manure.

Aug 24 Clear & warm. sett some Brick but soon taken sick again. Done nothing in afternoon. had hard work getting home. sun shines very warm.

Aug 25 Clear warm. am still unwell. took a Dose of Magnesia at 6 O'clock and a few minutes after am writing it Down. sick all Day.

Aug 26 Clear & warm. Peter finished hauling manure. I am yet quite sick. the Boys are making Brick Rapidly. confined to my bed most of the Day.

Aug 27 Clear & warm. went to Doc Rush and got some medicine. got Geo Peerine to shoe our horses. I spent most of the Day in Town. towards evening I walked Down the Rail Road to where they are Boring for coal. got a vein 103 feet Down. is excellent coal.

Aug 28 Clear & warm. Peter & I threshed 9 1/2 bushels of our wheat. turns out well. took it to the mill. Just after one O'clock we had a very heavy Rain accompanied with thunder one clap of which struck the corner of Mr Wilkins house. Ran Down the conductor (where his son Charlie was Dipping water into a tub) and killed him instantly. his Siste was was in the act of handing him a copper Boiler to fill when she saw the Bolt of Electricity strike him in the head. Neither his father nor mother was at home at the time. this evening I attended a sitting of the Town Council. Henry Shaffer & myself are trying to get commerce Street vacated. we had a hearing on the Subject and on Monday evening we are to have another. came home about 10 O'clock.

Aug 29 Cloudy with a little more rain last night. made a new axletree & new shenez and repaired my Cart up complete. Cleared off and is Pleasant at noon. Margaret Sis & Nora is over at father Goulbourns as I write at 3 O'clock PM.

Aug 30 Cloudy & cool. I worked none to Day am too unwell. spent the Day in Town. had another hearing on the vacation of the Street (Commerce) but came to no conclusion. some of the Council I think are looking for a Pretext to get shut of vacating. I am Satisfied the Law is on our side. Moses Townsend is here.

Aug 31 Clear & cool. I spent the Day with Moses Townsend. the forenoon we spent here at home. the afternoon we spent in looking about the shops. the Brickmakers are Doing fine now. Peter is Plowing the wheat ground.

Sep 1 Clear & cool. sett Brick but am scarcely well enough to Do it. (the Council refused to vacate Commerce Street at Present. sett Brick all Day. stood it pretty well.

Sep 2 Clear & cool. hired Wm Hise & he & I sett Brick all. Paid Andrew Jobes off (12 Dollars). he is going to Illinois this Fall.

Sep 3 Clear & cool. sett Brick all Day. fine weather as can be for Brickmaking. we are getting along well. I am mending slowly. am yet some affected with what I call sea sickness.

Sep 4 Clear & cool. sett Brick until noon. spent the afternoon in Town. Paid D

Donnelly 10 Dollars. he went home this afternoon. we have made 48000 Brick in the last 12 Days (sundays) excepted.

Sep 5 Clear & warmer. made a small improvement in our hen Roost after which I went to hear Mr Pike Preach. I was well entertained. his Discourse was very interesting. went in evening also to hear Mr Pike. he is an extraordinary Man. evidently has Read a great Deal and has a very Retentive memory.

Sep 6 Cloudy & Dull this morning. made Brick. I sett Brick all Day. in evening went to hear Mr Pike talk about the formation of coal. was too tired to listen as I ought. looks like Rain at 9 O'clock PM.

Sep 7 Cloudy & wet. threshed 15 1/2 bushels of wheat. lent the Victor Stove Company 4 sills 20 feet long 6 by 8. they are to Return them to me when I want them or Pay me for them if I so Desire. Rained all Day.

Sep 8 Cloudy & wet. Rained most of the night. the Boys are threshing Oats. ground is very wet. I settled with James Brown. he owed me 4100. Rained about all Day.

Sep 9 Cloudy & wet. sett Brick to Day. Peter hauled coal.

Sep 10 Clear at sunrise. sett Brick. Peter mowed weeds. Moses Townsend took Diner with us. I gave a Strawberry Plant that came from Geo Washingtons vegetable garden at Mount Vernon. it was imported from Germany 15 years Prior to his Death. gave him a Plaster Bust of Passamore Williamson of Judge Kane notoriety.

Sep 10, 1869 (cont'd) made him a cane also that he cut on the Battle of on Black River Between Jacson & Vicksburgh Miss fought by Gen Grant & Gen Johnson. the latter giving was all the Rebels were finally Reluctantly compelled to Do before Grants Bull Dog Tenacity.

Sep 11 Clear & Pleasant. am too unwell to work to Day. have a very severe cold. the Boys sett Brick in forenoon. in afternoon Peter & Mary went Buggy Riding.

Sep 12 Clear & warm. to Day I am fifty six years Old. finished my Corn Crib & wheat bin. have them both ready for use. Read a little but would rather work moderately than anything else.

Sep 13-14 Clear & Pleasant. Peter sowing wheat. got it 1/2 in & harrowed one way. Margaret & I went Down to Hilliards clearing after Blackberries. got a few quarts but neither of us Being well we soon got very tired. got home a little before noon. the afternoon I spent over at the coal works. they are Down nearly 200 feet and close to another vein of Coal. from there I went around by town. Bought one Dollars worth of Sugar & got home by supper time.

Sep 15 Cloudy & Dull. rained a a little in afternoon. worked at Philip Evans wagon in forenoon. in afternoon I sett Brick. the got out 4000.

Sep 16 Cloudy & Dull. Peter finished our wheat. I sett some Brick in afternoon. Margaret went over to grandfather Goulbourns in afternoon. in evening Timothy Gee brot Mother Hise & Mrs Cheny (wife of William Cheny of Lima Allen Co Ohio). she is going to stay with us to night.

Sep 17 Cloudy & looks like Rain at 7 O'clock but it soon cleared off and is warm. Peter is Digging Potatoes. I am working in the shop on a light wagon for Philip Evans. took Mrs Cheny & Mother Hise over to Sister Unos. sett some Brick in afternoon but as sick at sundown.

Sep 18 Clear & warm. worked a little in the shop. Settled with J F Dickinson. owed and Paid him 55 71/100 Doll. Richard Garrigues Paid me 20 Dollars on acount.

Sep 19 Clear & warm. sat about the house most of the Day. Isaac Norris his Daughter Anne N Kendall Joel & Sarah McMillen a Mr Spines & his Sister with some others visited & took Diner with us. Marius Robinson called and spent some time with us very agreeable indeed. he is one that is always welcome and intersting. long may he live.

Sep 20 Clear & warm. Peter hauling Coal. I sett Brick all Day. Part of the Rafters are being put on the Baptist Church to Day. we are Doing fine on the Brickyard now.

Sep 21 Clear & warm. Peter hauled Coal. I went to Letonia to hunt up my wagon wheel but found it not. came home on the Coal train. Clouded up and rained a little about Sunsett.

Sep 22 Cloudy & warm. some rain last night. setting Brick & Peter is hauling coal. Bought 2 quarters of excellent mutton for 9 cts per lb. the theif that stole Tom Wilsons horses Broke Jail last night by knocking the Jailor & wife both Down and running out the Back way. took our sewing machine up town to get it cleaned up. Margaret got word that Aunt Kitty is Dangerously sick at Father Goulbourns. she took Old Mike & Buggy went over to see her. she has Typhoid Fever. she cannot long endure it if it should prove to be a serious attack. I know from sorrowful experience that it takes a better Constitution than she has to wrestle successfully with that Dire Disease.

Sep 23 Cloudy & foggy at sunrise. wrote a letter of enquiry to O J Dickey of Lancaster Pa asking him if I could obtain a copy of Thadues Stevens will. sett Brick. Peter hauled coal. Margaret is over at grandfather Goulbourns. Brought our Sewing Machine home from town where we had it getting it repaired. it is Done by Agents of the Company free of charge (Summer & Co) manufacturers of Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine.

Sep 24 Clear & Pleasant. Peter finished hauling coal. we now have 360 Bushels in the coal house. I made a moddel for Brick & mortar hoister. Margaret made me a nice

Sponge cake and I took it up Town & Presented it to the men that repaired our sewing machine as it seems too bad to have them Do it for nothing.

Sep 25 Clear & pleasant. Peter & I hauled Brickbats and other rubbish into the lane leading into the Brickyard filling it up. sett some brick in afternoon. at 5 O'clock commenced to rain and at Bedtime is still at it.

Sep 26 Cloudy & wet. sat in the house and Read Byron all Day. just now very much interested in him. no rain to Day.

Sep 27 Cloudy & cold. feels almost frost. repaired my wagon and picked some Peaches in forenoon. Dave & Charlie are setting Brick. Paid Jo Stewart 5 Dollars owe him 11 yet for hauling wood. Peter is going to commence hauling wood this afternoon.

Sep 28 Clear & cold with stiff Frost. cut up our corn to Day. I tied the shocks but am very unwell all Day. ate no supper. settled with Jacob Forker owed and Paid him 24 50/100 Doll. gave him an order on Rickard Garrigues for the money.

Sep 29 Clear & cool. not so much frost this morning. can eat nothing. Peter is hauling wood. Republican meeting in Salem to Day. Gov Hays speaks. I did not attend. Sett a few Brick in afternoon. Aunt Kitty Curry Died at Father Goulbourns this morning at 1/2 past 8 O'clock. she is a sister to Mother Goulbourn.

Sep 30 Clear & Pleasant. sett Brick all Day. Peter hauled wood. the Boys made 4000 Brick. got a letter from Richard D Webb of Dublin Ireland. got one also from Pittsburgh on business. will answer it this morning.

Oct 1 Clear & Pleasant. answered my Pittsburgh letter. cleared the Burs out of Old Mikes mane & tail. attended the Funeral of Aunt Kitty Curry. F M Childs Preached her funeral Discourse from the Text "Many shall set Down with Abraham Isaac & Jacob in the Kingdom of Heaven". Matthew 8 & 11 verse.

Oct 2 Clear & pleasant. Peter went to Alliance to Day. I Done but little in forenoon. in afternoon I sett some brick. Clouded up in afternoon. we got about all our brick up.

Oct 3 Clear & cooler. rained a little last night. sett a few Brick before breakfast. is very pleasant this morning. wrote a long letter to Richard D Webb of Dublin Ireland. spent the entire Day at home. shut our hogs up to fatten.

Oct 4 Clear & cool but soon clouded up. sett Brick all Day. Peter hauled wood. rained toward evening.

Oct 5 Cloudy cool & wet. we shall have trouble to make enough brick to fill the shed. sett Brick all Day. reassembling of 6th O.V. Cavalry in Town to Day. had a free Diner at the Town Hall. had a good time. cool all Day but sundown we have indications of clear

weather.

Oct 6 Clear & cool with stiff Frost. sett Brick & cased some at the Kiln. Wiley filledone Pit with which to finish making brick.

Oct 7 Clear & cool. made 4000 Brick. got Cris Kineman to help me & we took in & sett 12000 Brick. Peter is hauling wood. clear all Day at noon. was not a cloud in sight.

Oct 8 Clear & Pleasant weather as fine as can be. cased at our Kiln all Day. WileyDug Potatoes for Trimble. Peter hauled wood.

Oct 9 Clear & cool but very Pleasant. Charlie helped Cris Kineman to Day. Dave Wiley & I cased at the Kiln. got it all Done that we can Do until it is all sett. we are waiting on the Brick to Dry. Paid Peter 30 & Donelly 10 Dollars.

Oct 10 Cloudy with a little Rain last night. Peter & Dave went home this morning. I worked at Philip Evans wagon all Day or nearly so. John Campbell called just before night. he wanted to Buy some of my sheep but I Refused to have them culled and rather than miss what he wanted he bought them all. gave me 60 Dollars for them. Picked out 6 of the Best & I helped him get them into his woods Pasture. the Ballance of them 11 he left here at his own Risk. cleared off and is moonlight at bed time. Peter & Dave returned at 7 O'clock PM.

Oct 11 Clear & cool. finished setting our Brick & got the Kiln Cased. Peter hauled wood.

Oct 12 Cloudy & Pleasant. smeared our Kiln and will fire it to night. cloudy at sundown.

Oct 13 Clear & cold at sunrise with stiff frost. soon clouded up and spit snow the first this fall. our Kiln is Doing well. I attended all night. to Day I made 9 Doors iron cost 175 cts. have now got 8 first rate ones. the Boys (3 of them are husking corn. got in one field.

Oct 14 Cloudy & cold with some Rain. 3 of the Boys are threshing Oats. I & Wiley attending the Kiln. took 2 of our stoves up to Simeon Sharps. want him to buy them as we have no further use for them. Belle Hise started for her home in Minden Parish Louisiana. took Rail to Louisville Ky.

Oct 15 Cloudy with a little rain at 5 this morning. Wiley & I attended the Kiln last night. Peter hauled wood at the yard.

Oct 16 Clear & some cloudy at intervals. all hands are at the Kiln now. it is hot and Doing well. I stay up every night and feel none the worse for it.

Oct 17 Clear & cool. considerable frost this morning. all hands at the Kiln. Peter hauled

some wood for us to Day. sun shone Pleasant. wind cool from Southwest. Kiln is Doing well.

Oct 18 Clear and Pleasant. the Kiln Done well last night. not a Bit of wind and moon shone as Bright as Day. Burned it until sunsett & shut it up. think I have a good Burn.

Oct 19 Cloudy and cold. got up at 1/2 past 3 O'clock AM and took the Cars for Pittsburgh. arrived at 20 minutes Past 7. went Directly to the Brickyards on Bayeds Hill whither I had gone for insight into making a winter shed for making Brick being tired of making them out of Doors. after getting what information I needed I went up the Allegheny Cemetery where I met with Geo & John Hinchcliffe who are building a beautiful stone edifice at the entrance. John showed me through the Cemetery and from there we went to his house and took Diner after which I repaired immediately to the Depot. took the Cars for home where I arrived Safe at 5 O'clock PM. the Boys have our Potatoes all Dug and Burried. snowed a little Both here and at Pittsburgh but not enough to show on the ground.

Oct 20 Cloudy & cool. Settled with Charles Jobes owed him 44 Dollars. gave him my Due Bill for it. Alexander Fuller & wife Sister Una J F Dickinson Harriet Arner & Father & Mother Goulbourn Mary & Rachel Gee all visited with us to Day. had a good time.

Oct 21 Cloudy & quite cold to Day. we are stripping our Kiln. want to haul Brick on to morrow. Brother Jacob Paid me 10 Dollars on account.

Oct 22 Clear & fine. Both teams hauled Brick to Jacob Schilling. hauled 10500. Kiln is not as hard as I expected but will work up. sold 4 loads to Different individuals.

Oct 23 Cloudy & wet. rained all night. took Brother Jacob Down to Letonia. went to see about selling some Brick to Grafton Furnace. Did not make a Positive sale but think I will. took Diner at Joel McMillens with Alec Fuller & wife. Peter and Dave threshed some wheat. rained most of the Day.

Oct 24 Clear & cold. ground froze hard. Blacksmithed considerable to Day. sun shone some but the air is cold. snowed a very little. is cloudy at 3 O'clock PM.

Oct 25 Clear & cold. Peter picked what few apples we have only about 2 Barrels. Donelly & I hauled Brick until noon. in afternoon he & Peter husked corn. I spent the afternoon in Town.

Oct 26 Cloudy & cold. Peter & Dave husked corn. I worked all Day at Philip Evans wagon. have it nearly completed. cold all Day. cloudy at Bed time. ground froze up entirely.

Oct 27 Cloudy & cold with one inch of snow on the ground this morning. puts a stop to husking corn at Present. Settled with Dave Donelly owed him 85 Dollars. Paid him 20

gave him my Due Billfor 65. Peter carried our seed Potatoes into the cellar. in afternoon he & I made 8 new shoes for our Horses. finished Philip Evans wagon. walked over to Pack Seeds called at Evans as I came back. told them their wagon was finished. Jonathan came over and took it home.

Oct 28 Cloudy & some warmer. Peter husked corn. I am too near Played out to Do much to Day. brot our Old clock home and sett it going. strolled about Town good Part of the Day.

Oct 29 Cloudy and Rains a very little. Peter husked. I worked at the barn. enclosed the sheep house and some other work about the Strawshed.

Oct 30 Cloudy and cold with a little snow this morning. Peter & I hauled in 5 sawlogs. got one of them sawed into 2 inch Plank of which to make a Lintel for my new Building on main St. in afternoon went up Town. Bought iron for a log chain sold some Brick etc etc. Mother Hise returned from Ravenna to Day. Lizzie Wait came with her. snowed and blowed considerable this afternoon but the ground is yet too warm to allow it to remain.

Oct 31 Clear & cool. made myself a log chain & some horse nails. Alex & Sister Lizzie Wait was here to Day.

Nov 1 Clear & cold. commenced tearing Down our chimney. want to sett 2 coal grates. Peter is husking corn. Charlie Jobes commenced school to Day. he is Boarding with us. ____ hard.

Nov 2 Clear & warmer. ground frozen a little this morning. I & Sam Murphy hauled Brick. Peter still husking corn. Pleasant all Day. got 2 grates expect Reason Bricker in the morning to sett them for me.

Nov 3 Clear & pleasant. Reason Bricker came on and he & I worked at the grate setting. got along well. Peter husked and hauled in corn. fine Indian Sumer.

Nov 4 Clear & warm. Reason & I still at the grates. I have to work hard to keep him in mortar and Brick. Peter had to load and haul some Brick otherwise he would have got our corn all in. Cloudy at sunsett & threatens rain. thundered some this evening.

Nov 5 Clear with considerable wind through the night and a very little rain. Reason finished setting our grates by noon. wind blew very cold all forenoon. in afternoon I cleaned out the Rubbish. built a fire in the Bedroom. it Drawed well. Alec & Tina are with us again to Day. Frederick Douglass speaks here to night.

Nov 6 Cloudy & cold. hauled in our last load of Corn this morning. I hauled 500 Brick to Geo Martin. Peter is hauling corn for Joel Stratton. snowing some. is cold and Raw at 9 O'clock AM. I spent most of the Day in Town. Bought myself a Pair of Otter gloves

cost 6 Dollars and a cap cost 1 25/100 Doll. cold all Day. Alice & Tina left again to Day.

Nov 7 Cloudy & cold. snowed consideable but most of it melted as the ground is yet too warm to Prevent it laying long. made a Door & hung it to our Crib house. it is now about complete. toed & fit up 4 horse shoes and then rested the Ballance of the Day.

Nov 8 Cloudy & cold with one inch of snow & quite cold. Peter & I hauled one load of Brick and then Peter hauled two loads of nut coal one to Wiley & one to ourselves. spent a good portion of the Day in town.

Nov 9 Cloudy & cold. ground froze hard. Peter & I hauled one load of brick and made 4 cow racks out of which they are to eat their fodder. shod Charlies fore feet and sat by the fire the Ballance of the Day. snowed considerable but little of it stayed with us.

Nov 10 Cloudy & cool. shod Neds fore feet. Peter hauled 2 loads of slack. Margaret & I took Diner with Harriet Arner Sister Una Tine & Allec Joseph Saxon & wife King Wilson & wife were all there. we came home by 4 O'clock PM. thawed a little. Roads good.

Nov 11 Clear and Pleasant. Peter hauled wood from Brickyard. I fixed up matters in Readiness for a trip to Iowa. Mother Hise Ellie Fuller & wife are going to start for there at 4 O'clock this afternoon and I am going to go with them without them knowing about it.

Nov 12 Clear and Pleasant. started on yesterday for Iowa as I intended and at 9 O'clock this morning find myself at Rock Island Junction 6 miles out of Chicago where I awaited the arrival of the Train for Rock Island. Mother and her company went on into the City where they will stop 12 hours. in meantime I pass on and arrive at West Liberty Iowa about 8 O'clock PM. our folks there were surprised to see me. went home with brother William took supper and stayed all night. met several at the Depot that knew me. among them was Wilkinson Chaney a nephew who lives in Indiana and is up there on a visit.

Nov 13 Cloudy & a little cooler. rose at 6 O'clock felt well. went to the Depot where I met Mother Hise & her company. of course they were surprised to see me as they supposed I was in Ohio where they took leave of me on thursday evening. after we had all took a hearty laugh we went up to Brother Williams where Mother and I took Breakfast. took Diner with Brother George. Spent a portion of the afternoon with Lewis Morgan and old Anti Slavery friend with whom I was associated in the Anti Slavery movement in its Darkest Days. toward evening returned to Main Street where I met Frank Ball. made arrangements with him to go home with him on the morrow. in evening I went home with Charlie & Mary Sheets where I met Alfred Sheets his wife & children. had a pleasant evening chat. returned at 9.

Nov 14 Cloudy & cold. arose early refreshed. after breakfast we (his son & wife) returned to West Liberty where I found Frank Ball waiting for me. I jumped into his

Buggy and we were soon off for Mount Airy and whee we arrived after a pleasant drive of 6 miles. found Joseph Ball standing in his front Door awaiting our arrival. we soon exchanged congratulations (met Ben Wilkins on the road) and after seating ourselves in his Parlor where we met many friends. went to bed in good time.

Nov 15 Cloudy but moderate winter weather. Blacksmithed some to Day. made a Pair of shears to cut wire a Paid of Pincers & some other small affairs. after which we walked over to James Balls. from there to Abram Cables where I saw for the first time the opperation of Putting in a Blind Ditch By Drawing a mole under ground 4 feet beneath the surface. from there Frank & I walked over to John Balls. after setting awhile with him returned to Joseph Balls. after supper got Joseph to sing the Millers Maid a Poetical Romance written by Bloomfield. at 10 O'clock went to bed.

Nov 16 Cloudy & snowing with strong east wind. continued all Day. in afternoon Joseph & I walked over to Jane Lamborns. took tea with her after which we returned home. wind is blowing steadily as I write at 7 O'clock PM. Seated at the table with Lizzie Ball and a Miss Edwards of Mt Union Ohio.

Nov 17 Cloudy & windy. after Breakfast Frank hitched to his Bob Sled and brot me to West Liberty. Met Mother Hise on the street trying to walk up to Geo Hises But the wind blew so hard she could scarcely stem it and we prevailed on her to get into the sled and come back to Williams where I stayed all night.

Nov 18 Cloudy at one O'clock. I took the Cars for Iowa City where I soon found Ben Owens. had a fine chat with him. snowed fast in afternoon.

Nov 19 20 Clear & Pleasant. after breakfast Ben & I walked out in Town. called on Eli Way an Old resident of Ohio. has lived in Iowa 16 years. at 9 O'clock again took the Cars and came back to West Liberty. took Diner with Brother George. came back to Williams where I write these notes. sun is shining very Pleasant at 1 O'clock. slept at Georges.

Nov 21 Cloudy. Charlie Sheets came into Town about 11 O'clock. George & I rode out to Alfreds. took Diner after which we walked over to Mr Jacobs (but a few rods) to see his twin Steers. they weigh 21 hundred each and are almost exactly alike. returned before night. Aunt Lib came with us.

Nov 22 Cloudy but Pleasant. helped George Iron a cutter. Blacksmithed all Day. Saw several Old acquaintences to Day. thawed none.

Nov 23 Cloudy & cold. helped George again all Day. he has plenty of work. thawed a little. Slept at Georges.

Nov 24 Clear & sun shone Pleasant. Done nothing to Day but walk about if I except the carving of a Cane head for William. copied the Millers Maid.

Nov 25 Cloudy & cool but thawed a little in middle of the Day. Goley & I went Sleighing Down on South Prairie. Saw a beautiful country and lots of P Chickens. took Supper at Phebes. returned to Williams where I sat sleeping by the stove when I was aroused by the cry of fire. hastening to the spot I Done what I could toward subduing the flames. fortunately the Roof was covered with snow which assisted much and it was extinguished. Slept at Georges.

Nov 26 Clear warm & Pleasant. made a pair of winding blades for Rachel Hise. am getting ready to start for home. have saw a great many acquaintences since I came to Iowa. at ten O'clock Wm & I took a long walk. went past his out lot to the Brickyard. from there out to Wm Phillips 2 1/2 miles out of town. from his house we can see a great Distance some 20 miles. Returned in time for Diner. I Dined with Ellie Fuller. called up to Georges & Bid them farewell as I must be off in the morning.

Nov 27 Cloudy & colder. after breakfast I took leave of Mother & all the rest. took the train for Milton where I arrived in time for the Muscatine Express on which I took Passage. arrived about 11 O'clock where I found Thomas Hanna awaiting my arrival . took Diner and spent the Day with him looking about.

Nov 28 Cloudy and warmer. Drizzles rain some is foggy. sat in the House with Hanna & his family untilabout 4 O'clock PM when I started on foot out to John Painters (he lives one mile west of the Court House). arrived in Due time where I was gladly received and hospitably entertained. Partook freely of sweet cider of which he had abundance. went to bed at 9 O'clock.

Nov 29 Cloudy & very foggy. spent the Day very pleasantly here talking over old affairs (he moved from Ohio to Iowa 24 years since. has become wealthy and is now enjoying it. in afternoon he hitched to his carriage and took me Down to Muscatine again where we visited several Places of interest among others a large Sawmill where they cut 60 thousand feet of lumber in a Day. returned to Hannas where I stay all night. we sing & play before retiring.

Nov 30 Cloudy & cold. at 5 O'clock AM took the cars for Wilton where I met Pierce Garretson (according to previous arrangements). took breakfast at the Hotel with Ed Sheets and at 8 O'clock started for Rock Island where we arrived about 10 O'clock. there we stopped off to look about. after seeing what we could here we took the street cars for Moline 3 miles up the River. this is a great manufacturing Town. hunted up Wm Kerns who however was East of the Mountains But we were well cared for by Beuley his wife who soon Sat us Down to an excellent Diner soon after which we took leave and visited all the Principle Places of note Bucket Wagon Plow and Paper Manufacturers. Plows is the leading article and of a superior quality. we crossed the river here (a coffer Dam being thrown across at the head of Rock Island turning the Stream all on one side of the island). Government is erecting a Dam here which when completed will afford the greatest Water Power in the World. the entire work is of Jolliet Stone and about one mile in length and

16 feet high and sufficiently thick to withstand the Pressure of the River. at Dusk we returned to Rock Island where we had to wait until 10 O'clock PM before we could start for Chicago. at length it arrived & we started. on arrival in Chicago about 7 O'clock where we spent the Day looking about. so much to see here that I shall say but little about it. we went on top of the Court Hosue where we had a good view of the City. Started at 4-45 for home. had a comfortable ride all night.

Dec 2 Cloudy & cool. arrived at the Depot at Salem about 1/2 Past 9 AM. met Sis going to see if I came. went with her to Vickers Store. from there came Directly home. found all well where I was glad to be after an absence of 3 weeks. spent the Day at home.

Dec 3 Cloudy & cool. spent good Part of the Day in Town. Peter & Charlie threshed the Ballance of our wheat. I Paid Jo Stewart 10 Dollars. left it with Robt Trimble to give to him. Paid Mary 10 Dollars etc. snowed some toward night. Several accidents have happened about Salem while I was absent of which I can give but little information. among them the Burning to Death of Wiley Wards wife by her clothes taking fire and the Burning of Isaac Trescotts Bookstore by incendiaries who are now in jailawaiting their trial.

Dec 4 Cloudy & warmer. snowing a little but is very soft. in afternoon we Drove over to Father Goulbourns. took Diner with them. they are all well. got Back at Dusk. wrote a letter to Mother Hise. she is now in West Liberty Iowa.

Dec 5 Cloudy & some colder. Pete Jo Johnson & Wiley are Butchering our hogs. I am Putting up the clothes press in our Bedroom. want now to get it finished as as soon as possible. cut our hogs up afternight. they are fat enough. Bought a Barrel of Salt cost 2 40/100

Dec 6 Cloudy with weather about the same. Peter is helping the woman. I am at work in the Bedroom. got a letter from parker Pillsbury. must try to answer it soon. snowed a little.

Dec 7 Cloudy with no change of account. wrote a line to Parker Pillsbury of new york and Kept fire in our bedroom. Peter hauled mortar from town and I have to thaw it. have it in the room before the fire. took some boards up to Geo Martin. he is going to make a couple of Cubboard Doors for us.

Dec 8 Clear & very frosty trees are beautiful. spent a part of the Day in Town. engaged the Plasterer to come tomorrow. kept up a good fire to thaw the mortar. Peter went home to Day. hate to part with him but have to.

Dec 9 Cloudy but warmer. John Matthews came on and Done our Plastering & george Martin is here hanging our inside Blinds. I have been very busy getting Sand thawed & mortar made but we got it Done.

Dec 10 Cloudy & warmer. Charlie hauled wood. I assisted the Carpenters. Peter returned this evening. thawed a little all Day.

Dec 11 Cloudy & a little cooler. worked some at our Bedroom. Put up the Mantle and some of the washboards. Marion Hoover visited us to Day. he is quite a stranger. he now works in Washingtonville.

Dec 13 Cloudy & colder. settled with Peter Heitman. owed him one hundred and forty Dollars. gave him my obligation for it. Geo Martin is not here to Day or at least is not as I write at 10 O'clock AM.

Dec 14 Cloudy & Pleasant. warm all Day. Geo Martin & Hugh are here again to Day. I assisted them what I could. Put on a lot hinges. spent the evening up Town. came home after 9 O'clock. clear & moonlight.

Dec 15 Cloudy & wet. cold rain falling at Daylight. continued all Day. Geo & Hugh Martin finished hanging our Blinds. I assisted them & we got Done about 3 O'clock. rained all Day. is wet & cold. think it will freeze up by morning.

Dec 16 Cloudy & Pleasant. thawed a little in middle of the Day. spent most of the Day in Town trying to colect money but came but poor speed. must have enough to pay my Tax. cleaned up the Door yard some. want to make it look Different. went to the Depot and met Betsy Sackett. Brot her up onto Main Street where she met her Brother coming after her. she went home to Canfield with him. her Sister Axie was with him. got a letter from Sister Phebe.

Dec 17 Cloudy & Pleasant winter weather. spent the entire Day in Town. got some money of them that owed me and Borrowed 30 Dollars of T E Vickers. want to start soon in the morning to Pay my Tax before a crowd collects.

Dec 18 Cloudy & colder. got up at 4 O'clock and before 5 was on my way to Lisbon. arrived there about 7 O'clock and Paid my Tax. left 8 Deeds to get Recorded. collected 2 Dollars witness fees and was home by 11 O'clock. cold enough. spent the afternoon in Town. sold Geo Trimble 3 pigs for 12 Dollars. Paid T E Vickers the 30 Dollars borrowed of him on yesterday. Bought paper for our Bedroom.

Dec 19 Cloudy & cold. spits snow a little but is too cold to snow much. 1/2 soled my Boots. Papered some at our Bed Room. Brother Jesse took Diner with us. he was all the one that called on us to Day.

Dec 20 Cloudy & cold. ground froze hard. Papered at my Room. hauled Ben Hilman a load of Brick. Roads is very Rough.

Dec 21 Cloudy & cold. finished Papering our Room. hauled Ben Hilman another load of Brick. commenced to snow about noon from east. at Dark it is 3 inches Deep. Mrs Post

took Diner with us.

Dec 22 Cloudy & warm. the snow is all gone this morning. fit our Carpet Down & got a Buggy load of moss ready for Christmas. roads is muddy at noon but at sunsett are froze up again.

Dec 23 Clear & cold. ground frozen hard this morning. assisted Margaret in Putting Down our carpet and commenced fixing up for Christmas. froze all Day.

Dec 24 Clear & cold. spent the entire Day fixing up our Christmas table. got it about Done. it is a sight of Work. Margaret & Nora spent a Portion of the afternoon in Town looking around at the Toys. Secretary Stanton Died suddently at 3 O'clock this morning of Congestion of the Heart. a nation mourns the loss. he was but 54 years of age on last Sunday. President Grant appointed him one of the Supreme Justices on his 54th Birthday. he was unanimously confirmed by Congress.

Dec 25 Cloudy & cold but moderated a little towards night. I spent a good Portion of the Day in Town. sent a Toy Violin by Express to Wm Hise at West Liberty Iowa. it is for his Son Aaron. Sis brot home our new Picture (a Chromo) of a California Sunsett. it is very beautiful.

Dec 26 Cloudy & warm. Drizzles rain a little at 8 O'clock. about 11 O'clock Mr and Mrs Gordon with their son George came to visit us. stayed until Dusk. was reluctant to part with them as they are Particular Friends. Sis & Nora is spending the evening at Jacks. I wrote a letter to Mother Hise she is in Iowa. Dark as can well be.

Dec 27 Cloudy & warm. hauled some boards to cover my joice in forenoon. got well while Doing it. afternoon I spent up Town Doing but little. Roads are very muddy. sold & Delivered 75 good wagon tongues to Jehu Snook for 75 cts a piece.

Dec 28 Cloudy & warm. worked a part of the Day at a walk Down to the Hog Pen. spent a Part of the Day in Town. John Callahan gave me 9 Dollars left with him for me by George W Betz for brick he bought of me last sumer. John Garwood got Possession of the Livery ground to Day that I sold him 8 months since. Margaret & Nora was over to grandfather Goulbourns visiting. Charlie has gone to Damascus to Day.

Dec 29 Cloudy & ____. Margaret & I are both quite unwell having both taken a bad cold. I spent the Day in Town. was Solicited to subscribe to the capital Stock of the Novelty manufacturing Cars frames but Declined. am not able at Present.

Dec 30 Cloudy & windy but not much cold. Margaret & I are both a little better this morning but I shall Do but little to Day. spent a Portion of the Day in Town. mended my Corn sheller & righted up the shop some.

Dec 31 Clear & cool but is very Pleasant winter weather. Charlie Johny Shepperd & I are

threshing oats to Day. sun shines very Pleasant but thaws none in the Shade. sun sett clear so the last Day of 1869 was a very Pleasant one throughout. in evening I walked up to Town & back as much for the sake of the walk as anything else. spent the evening in looking over the Tribune.

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Jan 1 Cloudy & mild winter weather. exchanged Turkeys with Edwin Hise. walked Down before breakfast to where I contemplate building us a new house when I sell the one we now Occupy. want to sett out trees (both Fruit & Forrest) this winter and coming spring so that they may be growing. cleaned up 40 bushels of oats that we threshed on yesterday. Sold Allen Boyle a load of Straw. H K Zimmerman hauled it for him. Father Goulbourn spent a few hours with us. went (& came) on foot. Rained a little at 3 O'clock & at 9 O'clock is still raining. I went to Town in evening got my Sand Hill Crane & Silver Hawk. Ridgeway Shreve Dressed them for me charged 11 Dollars for it (more than I expected). left the Crane in Ball & Tremble Drug Store window for a few Days.

Jan 2 Cloudy wet & warm. rained all night. spent the Day in reading setting by the fire. about 3 O'clock it commenced to snow. at 5 O'clock is Blowing & snowing awfully. looks now as though we should have winter in earnest.

Jan 3 Cloudy & cold with snow Drifted very much. went with Nora to School to assist her along. Bought a Barrel of Carbon Oil of C Lease cost 31 cents per gallon. Louis McCan hauled it out for me. Roads are as bad as they can be. cold all Day.

Jan 4 Cloudy & colder. Roads as bad as can be. Carried Geo Gordons Sulkey wheels up to Jesses Shop. will iron them there. in afternoon made a Box for Ed Hise to carry Lamps in. he is going to canvass Butler Township to sell them.

Jan 5 Cloudy & cold. spent the Day in Town Doing nothing. was Down at the Buckeye a Portion of the time Talking with J A Ambler our Congressman on the Subject of Finance. came from there home.

Jan 6 Cloudy & some warmer. snowed wet snow a good Portion of the Day. about noon I went to Philip Evans for a couple of wagon hubs I bought of him of which to make a cart. took Diner with them & spent most of the afternoon with them. Sang several songs for them. took the hubs to Wm Shinns who is going to fell them.

Jan 7 Cloudy & colder. repaired 2 of our chairs at Judd Crumrines shop. spent the afternoon Doing about nothing. came home about Dusk. cold.

Jan 8 Cloudy cold & windy. Put my oil in the Cellar. stuck close to the fire all Day although toward night I went up Town. very cold all Day.

Jan 9 Clear & cold. no wind this morning. am reading Planchette the second time. spent the entire Day by the fire. Brother Jacob spent a portion of the Evening with us. wind blows cold.

Jan 10 Cloudy & warmer with some more snow this morning. is now pretty good

sleighing. Repaired 4 more of our chairs & helped Jesse shoe horses in afternoon & we put the tires on George Gordons Sulkey wheels.

Jan 11 Cloudy & much warmer. is certainly getting ready to Snow. made a lamp Box for Charles Grizell worth 1 20/100 Dolls. in afternoon I helped Brother Jesse again. rained before night. came home in the rain and as I go to Bed is still raining.

Jan 12 Cloudy warm & wet. took our Saw Down to Joseph Daviss. rained all the time I was gone. got back about 1/2 past 10. still raining at noon. spent the afternoon in Town. raining at bedtime. roads very muddy. Hugh Martin buried to Day. George Kidd (son of Headgen) Died.

Jan 13 Cloudy & wet. took Sis & Nora up Town in the Buggy. too Bad to walk. repaired our well windlass that had got Broken. colder & very Disagreeable out of Doors.

Jan 14 Cloudy & cold. ground froze hard this morning. went out to John Gordons to see how Mrs Gordon (who is quite Poorly) is getting along. she is some better but is still confined to her bed with inflation of the lungs. stayed nearly the whole Day. it is always the case when I go there I find it a hard place to leave. thawed a little and at Dark is raining. got a letter from John Hise.

Jan 15 Cloudy & wet. threshed Oats all Day. rained considerable through the Day. waters are high & roads horrible. Did not see town to Day too muddy to wade up. clearing off at sunsett.

Jan 16 Clear & sun shines pleasant. Margret & I went out to see Mrs Gordon who is just now quite sick with lung fever. Roads are horrible. clouded up in afternoon & is some colder. Mary Yengling visited us to Day. always glad to see her & her husband & little boy. raining at 7 O'clock PM. wrote a letter to mother Hise. she is now at West Liberty Muscatine Co Iowa.

Jan 17 Cloudy & wet. rained about all Day. Wiley helped me to clean up our Oats 42 bushels. I repaired an umbrella one that I have had 32 years. warm & windy at 8 O'clock PM.

Jan 18 Cloudy & a little colder. concluded to keep Nora at home from school for awhile. the weather is quite too unfavorable for her to go so far. wrote a note to the Teacher (Miss Vogelson). accordingly worked at the Sulkey all Day. came home with Sis. lost our little Dog. some one stole him we suppose.

Jan 19 Clear & cold. ground froze hard. worked at the Sulkey to Day. want to finish it as soon as Possible. thawed none of account to Day.

Jan 20 Clear & cool. worked some at the Sulkey and Done some minor schores. Paid Samuel Wilson 12 Dollars for grate front. Roads are pretty good. hunted some for our

little Dog but can hear nothing of him.

Jan 21 Clear & cool. took 7 1/2 bushels of wheat to mill. worked some at the seat for Sulkey. sett up some cornfodder that had blown Down. Roads are very good. brot our grist home at sundown.

Jan 22 Cloudy at sunrise but was clear & cold all night. Charlie & I Put in the entire Day hauling in cornfodder. got it all in with the exception of 8 shocks. am tired at bedtime.

Jan 23 Cloudy and at 7 O'clock commenced to rain. is quite muddy. I worked most of the Day making hens nest. am making good preparations for getting the eggs when laid. Dull warm & wet although at Dark is snowed a very little. it melted as it fell. Nora found and brot to the house 2 beautiful white chicks that we will try to Raise.

Jan 24 Cloudy & colder. ground is frozen some. helped Jesse until noon. got him to nail on 4 shoes on Ned. Paid Edwin Lease $281 cts Ballance I owed him on the Barrel of Oil I Bought of him a few Days ago. Bought 20 gallons of Linseed Oil of him for which I Paid 20 Dollars. took his Receipt and have the Privelige of getting it as I may need it. Rained all the afternoon & froze as it fell. slippery walking in consequence.

Jan 25 Cloudy & warmer although the ground is covered with ice which makes it hazardous walking. spent the Day in Town. Done some work at the Sulkey. growed warmer as night approached. Mailed a letter to Ike Taylor.

Jan 26 Clear. sun shone Pleasant all Day. got our beef butchered to Day. Blacksmithed to Day at the Sulkey. Articled with Wm H Pidgeon for my Brickyard. Roads thundering muddy. Florine Johnson arrived from Pittsburgh on a visit. took us by surprise.

Jan 27 Cloudy & cool. ground froze a little but not sufficient to bear up a horse. hauled our beef to Town & got it cut up. very nice beef. brot it home and Salted it. spent the afternoon in Town confering with Cornelius Curry. we are Devising a plan to obtain if Possible some Legislative relief inRegard to our Borough taxes. hope we shall succeed.

Jan 28 Clear & cold. sun shines bright as it rises. Dressed and took 4 chickens up Town. gave them to the committee who are preparing a Supper to be served at the Clebration of Thomas Paines Birthday (to morrow). Put a shed over my joice & worked a little at the Sulkey. in the evening William Lightfoot of West Chester Penn. came home with Sis. he will stay all night. we had a good talk.

Jan 29 Cloudy & cool. finished threshing our Oats took about all Day. in evening we (Margaret & I) went to the Celebration of Thomas Paines Birthday and a glorious one it was. Mr Ellis Delivered the Oration and I never listened to an abler one. met Ridgeway Haines & wife there. after taking Supper and witnessing the Dancing we came home. Ridgeway & wife came with us and will stay the night. go to bed at 11 O'clock PM.

Jan 30 Cloudy & cool. got up at the usual hour. after breakfast read and talked alternately as seemed most profitable. snowed sufficient to cover the ground. at 1/2 past 1 O'clock Rideway & his wife & I started to Town to hear a lecture Delivered by a Mr Grant of Canton Ohio. from there they went home to Alliance & I came Directly home and at 1/2 past 5 am going to bed.

Jan 31 Cloudy & cool. ground froze up. Sold my horse Power to Fawcett & Wilson. spent the Day in Town. assisted in setting the Power up with which to cut hay. snowed a little in afternoon. Read some in Voltaire for the first. Liew Campbell Burried to Day.

Feb 1 Cloudy & Pleasant winter with 2 inches of snow. worked the entire Day at Fawcett & Wilsons. have the hay cutter ready to run. Aunt Mary Gee visited us to Day.

Feb 2 Cloudy & warmer. took "Old Mike" up Town. Run the Horse Power with him a short time. it runs first rate. in afternoon I Blacksmithed for Jesse & he shod "Old Mike". thawed some and seems like a break up. cleared off.

Feb 3 Cloudy & colder. worked all Day at the Sulkey. thawed considerable. very pleasant winter weather. roads are good. freezing at sunsett.

Feb 4 Clear & cold. about as cold as it has been this winter. worked at the Sulkey have it nearly Done. sun shone pleasant all Day but thawed none except where the ground was protected from the wind.

Feb 5 Clear & cold this morning. Florine is as I write getting ready to start home to Pittsburgh. went with her to Depot. Charlie & I hauled what flooring was wanted home & hauled 5 loads (the Ballance) Down to the Sash Factory to get worked. thawed some but the Roads are yet good.

Feb 6 Cloudy & golden. pleasant winter weather. Scott Wilson and Lady visited us. I spent the Day at home.

Feb 7 Cloudy & cold. very Damp cold air. everything is full of frost. hauled David Mos a load of Brick (350). turned a good Pulley for my hay machine. sent a note of hand against Thomas Callahan and belonging to Ben Wilkins (now in Iowa) By Wm Jobes to Esq McIntosh of Goshen Township for collection. moderated a little in middle of Day but is still raw. got a letter from Brother George of Iowa. Margaret got one from S G Haines informing us that the Davenport Brothers were in Alliance and inviting us to come up and see them. had I have opened it in time to have taken the Cars should have been there now instead of here getting it Down.

Feb 8 Cloudy with some snow this morning. hitched to the Sleigh and took Sis up Town & Nora & I went from there out to John Gordons. exchanged Turkeys with him got a Black one and gave him in return a right white one. traded a gobbler to Jack Howel for a Hen. at 5 O'clock PM took the Cars for Alliance. went Directly to Ridgeway Haines

where I met the Davenport (Father & Daughter). in evening attended the Seance.

Feb 9 Cloudy & cool. awaked refreshed. spent the Day looking about Alliance. in evening attended another Seance. was well satisfied with the entertainment But could Detect no fraud or colusion. am at a loss to know to what agency to attribute the Phenomenon.

Feb 10 Cloudy & cool. breakfast at 8 O'clock. took leave of friends and came home. arrived about 9 O'clock found all well. in afternoon I canvassed among our friends to obtain their views in regard to having the Davenports to visit Salem. I think I shall invite them.

Feb 11 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. wrote a letter to Ridgeway Haines giving him my views about the Davenports visiting Salem. sent a letter containing 75 cents to Robt Clarke & Co of Cincinnati to Pay for a Poem written by Major Andre (of Revolutionary fame) entitled the cow chase. went out to Samuel Frenchs and selected some trees that I bought of him. in afternoon I shod Charlie. bought one Dollars worth of Dried Peaches. Roads are excellent.

Feb 12 Cloudy & warmer. threatens Rain. want to haul coal to Day. hauled 2 loads of coal (60) bushels. Paid off a note in bank of one hundred Dollars the last I owe them. am wiping out my Debts as fast as Possible. Eldredge carriage shop took fire but was soon extinguished. thawed considerable but toward turned much colder and at sunsett the ground is froze hard again. Ned is very lame. got sprain in hind leg.

Feb 13 Clear & cool. sharpened my X cut saw. made hens nests. Doctored Ned. Sat by the fire. Read Voltaire who cetainly was a very able and excentric writer. thawed a very little and at sundown is freezing again.

Feb 14 Cloudy & warm. plenty of rain to Day. worked at the Sulkey have it about Done now. Neds leg is very sore. roads muddy. got the Cow Chase that I sent for and a foolish a thing as I ever read it certainly is.

Feb 15 Clear & warm. very pleasant weather. roads sloppy but not Deep. spent the Day in idleness up town. should have cut Saw logs but Wiley Did not come out. Bought "Watsons Annals of Philadelphia & Pennsylvania in the olden time" cost 6 Dollars. to me it is very interesting.

Feb 16 Clear & frosty this morning. Wiley & I cut saw logs at Samuel Frenchs. thawed considerable roads muddy. got home at sunsett brot Sis with me. got an excellent Black ash knott large enough for two malls.

Feb 17 Cloudy & warm to Day. I have been helping work my flooring at the Sash Factory. Roads very muddy. learned to Day that we are to have an iron Bridge builder in Salem. am glad to see manufacturing of all kinds springing up. it makes a Town.

Feb 18 Cloudy & colder. snowing & Blowing from the north. very Disagreeable out of Doors. worked all Day at the floor boards. they are very hard. snow 4 inches Deep and Road horrible.

Feb 19 Clear & cold. no wind this morning. worked at the flooring to Day. got but little Done. Boiler sprung a leak was forced to quit. Bought some shoe pegs and sett about town the Ballance of the Day. quit taking the Salem journal. would like to encourage a Salem Paper but I Do not like its sentiments. one of the owners is a clever fine man (John Vernon) but he is not the controlling spirit. I am informed that Doctor Baird a Methodist Priest is about to take charge of it. he may Run it as long and on what Principles he pleases but not at my expense.

Feb 20 Cloudy & cold. snowing some this morning. 1/2 soled my Boots. Boiled a Boiler full of smallPotatoes for the hogs. wrote a letter to John Hise of Iowa. colder.

Feb 21 Clear & very cold. I hauled Sawlogs to Day but it is so cold I can Scarcely stand it but I persevered and got in ten logs. got home a little after 6 O'clock 1/2 frozen but by 8 O'clock I was thawed up again thanks to grate and Stonecoal.

Feb 22 Cloudy & cold but no wind this morning. I shall let the Horses rest to Day and repair things up a little chains lines etc etc. Charles Grizell took Diner with us. he brot an Article for me to sign for a field he rented of me. Ridgeway Haines called and spent a couple of hours with me. Margaret was absent at Brother Jacobs.

Feb 23 Clear & cold. hauled 9 more sawlogs to Day. got home about 6 O'clock. thawed considerable to Day. the roads are pretty good now.

Feb 24 Cloudy & cold. spent most of the Day at home. hung up my meat to smoke and Read Watsons Annals of Philadelphia. slept considerable.

Feb 25 Clear & cool at 8 O'clock. as I write the sun is shining beautifully. made smoke under our meat. Settled with and Paid G C Boone out of the Eight Hundred Dollars I this Day Received of Samuel Grove for my Iowa land. Paid T E Vickers 40 90/100 Dollars. have 368 50/100 still in Greiner & Boones Bank subject to my orders. brot our clock home. Phebe Schooley & Mrs Fetters Buried to Day.

Feb 26 Cloudy & warmer. Charles & I hauled brick to Day. thawed some but the Roads are excellent. Spent the afternoon in Town looking out for a Horse. want to Buy one after a while.

Feb 27 Cloudy & warmer. is raining a little most of the day. went to hear Mr Pike lecture. from there walked out to Joseph Holloways to see Old Aunt Rebecca Scholdfield. she is very feeble will not live long. is 86 years Old. Paschall Seeds & wife visited us. Brother Jesse spent the evening with us after which I wrote Mother Hise a letter and at 10

O'clock I am jotting it Down. Dark & rainy.

Feb 28 Cloudy moderate winter weather. roads excellent. Spent the forenoon in Town. in afternoon went on foot Down to Leetonia looking for a girl but found none. got back in good time.

Mar 1 Cloudy & colder with 2 inches of Snow. Wiley & I went in the Sleigh out to Samuel Frenchs and cut 10 sawlogs. was home again a little after noon. washed one of our Pigs that seems poorly and put it in the barn. spent the Ballance of the Day in Town. snowed very fast a part of the time. rough Day truly.

Mar 2 Cloudy with 4 inches of Snow. hauled wood for Joel Stratton in forenoon. in afternoon hauled 4 logs for shingles. got along first best. Paid David Fawcett 15 Dollars money that I owed him for hauling brickwood.

Mar 3 Clear & warm. sun shone pleasant all Day but wind in the north prevented the snow melting much. hauled 10 saw logs from Samuel Frenchs to Eltons mill. roads a little sloppy but at sunsett it is freezing again.

Mar 4 Cloudy with more snow this morning. went out to Frenchs and finished hauling sawlogs. hauled in 36 altogether. came home about 3 O'clock found a Mr Wilson waiting for me. he wanted to hire to farm for me. I did not hire him yet will see him again. rained some. the atmosphere is heavy all Day.

Mar 5 Cloudy with more snow falling this morning at 12 O'clock. Nora & I went to the Depot and met Lydnia Bowersock and brot her home with us. she is from Iowa. Charlie hauled wood from Brick yard. thawed some but the road is excellent. I spent a portion of the afternoon in Town.

Mar 6 Cloudy & snowing. we all went over to Father Goulbourns in the Bob Sled. had a fine visit. came home at 5 O'clock. snowing and blowing from south East as I write at 5 O'clock. got a letter from John Jones. he wants to offbear brick for me. I want him wrote him a letter. Rebecca Scholdfield Died.

Mar 7 Cloudy with more snow. Peter Heitman & his wife are with us. came on yesterday while we were absent at Father Goulbourns. Paid him what I owed him 140 Dollars and his wife (who was our hired girl) 10 Dollars. went over to greenvillage and hired a girl. am to go after her next monday. spent the afternoon in Town. Sleighing excellent.

Mar 8 Cloudy with a little more snow this morning. fine winter as can be. hope it may last a couple of weeks. we all went sleighing out to Jo Saxons. he & I came back and attended the Funeral of Rebecca Scholdfield. she was one of the Old settlers and was the first woman married in Salem. in November 1805 her Father Samuel Davis invited the entire meeting (of Friends) to take Diner with them (they Done so). her Husbands name

was David Scholdfield who was a Virginian by birth and at one time a merchant of Salem. Elizabeth McMillen Died at 6 O'clock PM.

Mar 9 Cloudy & cool. pleasant winter as can be. Done schores for Joel McMillen such as engaging the Coffin for his mother and shewing the Sexton where to Dig grave etc etc. in afternoon Wiley & I hauled our floorboards from teh planing mill. Roads are excellent.

Mar 10 Clear at sunrise. froze up sollid this morning but will thaw to Day. Lydnia Bowersock little Nora & I visited the machine shop & Pottery the later of which Nora was very fond. it pleased her much to see the Potter mould his clay to his liking. in afternoon we attended the Funeral of Aunt Elizabeth McMillen. John Gordon Thomas & Joel Sharp & myself were the Pall Bearers. Marius R Robinson Delivered the Funeral Discourse which was a very appropriate one. the Sharps & myself Returned and took Supper with them when we learned for the first time that it was the Old Ladies wish while living that when the time came she should be carried by 4 as good infidels as could be found and Marius if he out lived her should Do the talking all of which was observed to the letter. thawed considerable is freezing up at Dark. got a letter from Wm H Joy of Muscatine Iowa.

Mar 11 Clear at sunrise. got a Horse of Philip Evans. rigged up two teams & Wiley & I took 1250 brick Down to New Garden. roads were excellent. got back in good time. rained a little all the afternoon. found a young man by the name of Harrison here waiting to hire. Betty Saxon came in and took Lydnia home with her. is to bring her back on Sunday. I am very tired and shall go early to bed.

Mar 12 Cloudy & wet. very Disagreeable out of Doors this morning. turned my Pigs out to get them washed. in afternoon took Ned up town to try and sell him but failed. shall not take him up again soon. Joel McMillen made me a present of an excellent Gold Pen with which I am now writing. Charlie left to Day. roads very muddy.

Mar 13 Cloudy with ground froze some. Joseph Saxon and his family visited us to Day. they brought Lydnia Bowersock back with them. I made Lydnia a small Pair of shovel & tongs as a present. snowed & blowed considerable through the Day but in the House it was very comfortable indeed especially while our company stayed.

Mar 14 Cloud but quite Pleasant. will thaw some. took Ned & Buggy went over among the Callahans & brot our hired girl (Sarah Sheets). roads are Bad but we are back by noon. in afternoon Ed Hise took Lydnia Bowersock over to Grandfather Goulbourns. she will be gone a couple of Days. in the mien time we miss her. I ironed Doubletree & singletree. must now get things righted up. was up to see Wiley but he was not at home. am aprehensive that he intends to give me the Slip and not work for me this sumer.

Mar 15 Cloudy and cold east wind. ground froze hard this morning. Done but little to Day. was up to see Wiley who says he is going to work for me. Repaired some patterns and Done some minor schores. at Dark it commenced snowing & blowing and is still at it

as I go to bed.

Mar 16 Clear & cool but will evidently thaw to Day. Snow is four inches Deep this morning. took Sis to town in the Sleigh but it cut through & run hard in consequence. brot Wiley out with me. repaired harness. is too Disagreeable out of Doors to work. turned colder toward noon and is thawing very little. went to town towards evening. had a talk with Robt Hole about building. is cold at Dark. Ed brot Lydnia back at 4 O'clock.

Mar 17 Cloudy & colder. is spitting snow this morning. can Do nothing out of Doors to Day. went to Town expecting to make Geo Gordons Sulkey seat but found the bench otherwise occupied. went on up town and read the newspapers until three O'clock when I came home. found Margaret & Lydnia absent Down to Brother Jacobs visiting. they came up after Dark and at 9 O'clock started up town on foot to attend the festival given by the Lady Members of the Babtist Church of Salem. they were Dressed in the costume that was fashinable thirty five years since. it was not more rediculous than the Present one. Both are an outrage on common sense.

Mar 18 Clear & cool but will from appearances as I write thaw to Day. snow is about 3 or 4 inches Deep yet having melted none of account since it fell two Days ago. took 8 bushels of wheat to Mill and broke the hind axle of our rag picker as we call it. bought sheet iron & put under the crib house, found the Rats had got in. turned my corn over & caught 5 Rats & 3 mice. think they are out to stay out now. Lydnia went over to Abram Painters is coming back on tomorrow. hired another Brickyard hand to Day & rented Wileys house to Fitz Allen Brady for 3 Dollars per month in advance.

Mar 19 Clear & warmer tho the ground is frozen sollid this morning but will thaw to Day. Wiley & I hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon hauled lumber for Joel Stratton. thawed consideable but is some snow left yet.

Mar 20 Cloudy & Dull. rained slow a good part of the Day. I went to hear Mr Pike both morning & evening. his Position is hard to assail with any Degree of success. wrote a letter to Mother Hise now in Iowa.

Mar 21 Cloudy & Dull. split a few rails in forenoon. in afternoon hauled 500 brick & a load of Sand for Jim Connell. Ed Hise brot the team home and I stopped in Town until towards evening. Roads are horribly muddy. frost must be very near out. Sis brot her new Trunk home cost 15 Doll.

Mar 22 Cloudy & Dull. froze none last night. Blacksmithed some. went with Cidney Bowersock to the Depot at 10 O'clock. she left Salem for Alliance. from there she is going to East Rochester Ohio. made a cart Saddle and made Nora a jewsharp the second I ever made. Margaret & Nora visited up town. called on several old Friends.

Mar 23 Clear & cold. sun shines pleasant but wind blows free from northwest. worked in the shop most of the Day. Hannah Strawn buried to Day (wife of Abel Strawn. Father

Goulbourn called over a short time. cold all Day. mud is drying up.

Mar 24 Clear & pleasant thios morning. no wind. walked out to see how George Baum was getting along with his Brick machine. he has Done nothing at it for sometime. in afternoon I sawed out my Cart shafts & some other work about the shop.

Mar 25 Clear & Pleasant. air is cool. Wiley helped me & we made a new coulter for our sod plow. made a Pick. Dont feel right well. shall not Do much more work to Day. went up Town and loafed the Ballance of the Day. got the length of cart bed and Done a little at making it.

Mar 26 Cloudy & Dull with every appearance of Rain. the Roads are getting quite Dry in places. spent the entire Day in Town. made an offer for the Old Soap Factory on Broadway. want to put my engine in it and Rent it to James Post and a Mr McCarty for a machine shop. Rained a little before sunsett and at bedtime it is raining considerable.

Mar 27 Cloudy & snowing at Dalight. snow some 3 inches Deep very wet & soft. mended a crank for Joel McMillen. sett by the fire most of the Day. snow melts but falls. the ground is still covered 2 or 3 inches as I write at noon. sett by the fire most of the Day. rained & snowed alternately all Day.

Mar 28 Cloudy & Dull. spent the most of ghe Day in town. Bought the Old Soap Factory of Peter Ward for 450 Dollars, one hundred Down 200 in one year & 150 in 2 years with interest at 6 per cent annually. I Bought it for for the Purpose of Putting my Engine into it and Renting it to James Post & Arthur McArter for a machine shop. they advance me one hundred Dollars Rent money with which I make the first Payment. they are to give me two hundred Dollars per year rent for it. Done some work at my new Cart.

Mar 29 Cloudy & warmer. snow melted some but is a little left yet. commenced preparing our machine shop for the Engine & Boiler. Ed Hise James Post & Wiley helped me. we got along fine. roads are very muddy. Margaret is quite poorly yesterday & to Day. has taken some cold. Gen G A Thomas Died to Day.

Mar 30 Clear & sun shines bright. pleasant all Day. 4 of us worked at the machine shop all Day. got things going on about right. mud is Drying up fast.

Mar 31 Cloudy & threatens rain. hitched up the team and hauled sand & stone until noon. Wiley Drove it. I assisted Ed to lay stone until noon. Rained in afternoon we could Do nothing. checked out 50 Dollars (from Greiner & Boones. bought a barrel of white lime cost 1.75 cts. Paid the Etna 20 Dollars for Reaper that I had owed them 18 months. James Post advanced me one hundred Dollars rent money on machine shop & I paid it to Marius Robinson first Payment on the Property bought of Peter Ward on the corner of Locust & Broadway.

Apr 1 Cloudy & wet. is raining at 7 O'clock and looks as though it might rain always.

Irone a harrow for Joshua Hilliard. Wiley helped me. rained all Day. our cellar has 2 1/2 feet of water in it. never was so before. Margaret is very poorly all Day.

Apr 2 Cloudy & wet. is still raining. ground as full of water as it can well be. Margaret seems some better this morning. worked in shop in forenoon. in afternoon went Down to Abraham Shinns stone quarry. from there to town up the Rail Road. no rain this afternoon.

Apr 3 Clear & very plesant. worked at my Cart until 1 O'clock. Fitz Allen Brady Paid me 3 Dollars one monthly rent on the little house I rented him (known as Wileys House). David Donnelly came on this evening to work for me this sumer. cool at sunsett. will freeze a little to night.

Apr 4 Clear & cool. ground is frozen some. Donelly commenced Digging our cellar drain. I Done some work and a mighty sight of running about. Borough Election to Day very spirited. to Day for the first time the Colored American of African descent voted in Ohio. they Polled fifty votes in Salem (Perry Township). how marvelous the change in their situation in the last ten years. ("John Browns Soul is marching on" sure enough). mud dried up very much to Day. G W Orrison came on to day. is going to farm & help haul brick.

Apr 5 Cloudy & coolish. worked at the machine shop until Driven off by the snow storm that sett in about 2 O'clock PM. we were getting along fine hauling and laying stone. Nora came home from Father Goulbourns to Day. she had been there since Saturday last.

Apr 6 Cloudy & Dull with a little snow this morning. all hands worked at the machine shop got along well. weather is favorable now. Donelly is progressing with the Cellar Drain but will take him several Days yet. it is a big job. bought 3 pecks of Clover & timothy each cost 10 89/100 Doll. made arrangements with Asa W Jackson by which I am to receive one half of the Rent of his house to be applied on a note I hold on him for One hundred Dollars due march 31st 1869.

Apr 7 Cloudy but pleasant weather this morning. hung up our beef to dry & put a smoke under it. worked at the machine shop. got the stone work Done for the Boiler & coal House. hired another man to Day Theopholis Powel of Beaver County Pennsylvania. he is to have 15 Dollars for the first month and 20 Dollars for the ballance of the sumer. he is to offbear Brick. B John Griffith Died to Day.

Apr 8 Clear & warm. hauled our Engine & Engine timber Down to the machine shop. hauled some brick and in the afternoon George plowed sod. I assisted to put the Engine timber Down after which I went out to Geo Bowns to see about getting sand but had poor success. Roads have dried so quick that they are very Rough.

Apr 9 Cloudy & warm. wind is soft indicating Rain. got up at 1/2 past 4 went Down to Buckeye. from there Down to Eli Fawcetts to see what the Prospect for Sand was. found

it excellent. got back by breakfast after which I hitched up "Old Mike" and with him John McArter hauled sand all Day. 3 of us worked at the machine shop got along well. George (the Farmer) is Plowing sod ground. Donelly is still at the Cellar Drain. it is a big job.

Apr 10 Clear & pleasant. at times in hazey with wind in south east. Bought a Horse of Milton Smith am to pay him one hundred and Sixty Dollars in 3 months. worked some at my Cart body but am too tired to do more. must let nature recuperate the system. Joseph Kerr & Lady called over and talked a short time. was pleased to have them do so.

Apr 11 Cloudy & Drizzled Rain about all Day. we took the casing off of the Kiln. worked at the machine shop etc etc. is cooler toward evening.

Apr 12 Cloudy & cooler. hauled brick with Jim (our new Horse) and "Old Mike". they make a chartered team and perform well. cleared off about ten O'clock and at noon as I write is clear & strong breeze is blowing from the northwest. in afternoon hauled a load of Sand and brot a load of Manure and spread it on the Potatoe Patch.

Apr 13 Clear & cloudy at intervals. both teams are Plowing for Oats. Theophilus Powel came on this morning. he finished the Cellar Drain by noon. in afternoon he cleaned up the garden & Door yard. sold Robt Hole 50 or 60 thousand Brick for 7 Dollars per thousand. Ed Hise & James Post is working at the machine shop. threatens rain at sunsett.

Apr 14 Cloudy & smoky but little prospects of rain. sowed some Oats. hauled our Boiler Down & got it in its place. took considerable of work. hauled some brick etc etc.

Apr 15 Cloudy with fine spring weather. got up early & took a walk Down far as Joshua Hilliards before sunrise. hauled some brick to machine Shop. some of us worked at getting the Oats in. took the Potatoes out of the ground and Put them up in the Carriage house loft. have plenty of them. brot home 80 pounds of Norway Oats from Louis Schilling.

Apr 16 Cloudy and looks like Rain at 4 O'clock at which time I got up. went to work at Cellar Drain until breakfast time. hauled a load of Brick to John Deming. got our Oats Done at noon. Picked the meadow in afternoon. cool & very windy.

Apr 17 Cloudy & wet. rained most of the night. worked in the shop all Day. was too wet to go out. Mary Negus took tea with us. Joel McMillen called in a fewminutes. wet all Day and is raining at 8 O'clock PM as I write.

Apr 18 Cloudy & wet. cleaned out and scrubbed our cellar in forenoon. in afternoon we Blacksmithed some & worked at the machine shop. in afternoon got a letter from Aunt Hannah Gilbert of Lancaster Co Penn. answered it this evening.

Apr 19 Cloudy but is not raining this morning. staked out & commenced our Brickyard.

got some Lumber sawed and framed it into a coal house at the machine shop. George (our Farmer) tore Down fence that wants resetting.

Apr 20 Cloudy & Dull. worked some at my Cellar Drain. hauled Brick & carpentered etc etc. rained some toward evening. roads are very muddy. Old Thomas Keen Died Suddenly at 3 O'clock this morning. was to all appearances well on yesterday.

Apr 21 Cloudy & Dull. Drizzled rain considerable in forenoon but in afternoon no Rain. Dave & Geo hauled brick all Day. I & Tuff worked at the machine shop. getting along pretty well.

Apr 22 Cloudy but no rain last night. am working at the yard to Day. hauled brick in afternoon. cleared off about 10 O'clock and sun shone warm & Pleasant. George England Died at 4 O'clock PM. he has ben ailing a number of years.

Apr 23 Clear & warm. worked at the machine shop until noon. in afternoon hauled Brick. Tuff helped me. Dave & George went home in afternoon. took Ned & the Buggy.

Apr 24 Clear & very Pleasant. Done but little work to Day. am too tired. turned 2 calves (yearlings) out to grass. ground is drying fast. will soon Do to plow again. Brother Jesse called out a short time. Tuff & I went over to see the coal shaft.

Apr 25 Cloudy wet & cold. rained considerable in morning. hitched up the team to haul brick but was forced on account of the Rain to turn out again but toward noon it cleared up and in afternoon was Pleasant. hauled brick. George is Plowing for Schillings Oats. Dave & Tuff are at work at the brickyard. George England burried to Day.

Apr 26 Clear & cold. considerable frost. took our Saw out to Tom Wilsons. was forced to leave her there. Plowing & scraping the Brickyard in forenoon. hauled one load of Brick in afternoon & the Ballance of the Day. worked in the Brickyard.

Apr 27 Cloudy. got up at 4 O'clock. walked out to Tom Wilsons & brot our Saw home by 6 O'clock. got Samuel Chessmans team to haul Brick in forenoon. in afternoon I assisted at the yard. Big job to make a yard where we are making it. looks like rain at sunsett.

Apr 28 Cloudy & windy threatens rain. spaded garden & sett out our Onions before breakfast. hauled Brick in forenoon. rained so that we quit in afternoon. we cut sawlogs.

Apr 29 Clear & cool. hauled Brick. some at work at the yard. Geo is harrowing the Oats. ground rented to Louis Schilling. cool wind all Day.

Apr 30 Clear & cool. hauled Brick all Day. got along well. Donelly & Tuff worked at the yard. George finished harrowing in the Norway Oats. Circus in Town to Day. I saw but little of it nor do I care to.

May 1 Clear & Pleasant. put a new bottom in my wagon and otherwise repaired it. Painted my new cart and took Sarah over home and visited a couple of hours. returned at about 4 O'clock. found brother Jesse & wife here.

May 2 Clear & warm all Day. hauled brick with 2 teams. Donnelly loaded. I worked at the yard. got it pretty nearly Done. Tuff & Sam (our new hand) Dug clay. is much Deeper than I expected. spread some sand over the yard. would like a shower of Rain now but there is no prospect of that just now.

May 3 Clear & warm. worked at my cellar Drain before breakfast. want to finish that up by odd spells. got our Brickyard lated & covered with Sand. it is now ready for a good rain. Donelly & Sam Murphy are hauling Bricks. Geo is plowing corn ground. looks a little like rain at sunsett. wish it would.

May 4 Cloudy with a very little rain last night. worked a little at the garden. Bought 900 feet of Boards to weather board the machine shop cost 22.50. Paid 10 Dollars on them. sawed our Brickyard lumber as Jo had not time. got a notice of a note left at the National Bank for collection against E G Wait on which I am Bail. expect to have it to Pay. no use now to grumble. should have known better than to have Done it. But I signed it under peculiar circumstances. was sick and exhausted. will be sick yet when I sign another.

May 5 Cloudy & raining at 5 O'clock. spaded a square in the garden before breakfast. worked at the Brickyard all Day. Donelly is still hauling brick. rained some about 2 O'clock PM but not enough to wet the ground.

May 6 Cloudy & warm. made fence all Day got along fine. rained some in afternoon but not enough to raise the waters. wish it would.

May 7 Cloudy & Dull all Day. Rained occasionallythrough the Day But we worked out most of the time. sawed a couple of logs. in afternoon Donelly hauled Brick. I went up town in evening. George finished Plowing our Sod ground.

May 8 Cloudy & wet. rained considerable to Day. worked at my Cart. got it about ready to use. strolled about a little with some friends but stuck close to home all Day.

May 9 Cloudy & Dull. plowed & scraped at the Brickyard. made Ditch to convey the water from Dam to clayhole. took a grist to mill. Rained and hailed at noon & was cool but soon moderated. Geo is harrowing our corn ground.

May 10 Cloudy & wet having rained considerable last night. is cool & Disagreeable out of Doors. Donelly hauled Boards. Geo plowed sod ground. tore Down sheds up town etc etc. too wet to work at the yard.

May 11 Cloudy & Dull. worked at the yard to Day. Geo is busy harrowing our corn

ground. I finished our cart & new stocked our one horse plow. sett out some strawberrys and Done lots of schores besides. heavy rains went round both north & South.

May 12 Cloudy & cool. worked at the yard. got along pretty well. will soon be ready now. Bob Moore is hauling the Dirt into the machine shop.

May 13 Clear & warm. sold our cooper stuff to Day. Planted one field of corn. got it in by noon. worked at the yard in afternoon. must get ready to make brick as soon as Possible.

May 14 Clear & warm all Day. Delivered our cooper stuff and hauled boards with one team. the other got our other corn field ready to Plant. will Plant on monday. got our Cart harness cost but 1 50/100 Doll to get them made. got our new syrup can that Charlie Hayes brot us from Philadelphia.

May 15 Clear & warm. put pads on my Cart Saddle of curled hair & gave it 3 coats of Paint. hunted up some shed poles in sharps woods. slept some. walked over to the coal shaft. they are Doing things up right for Durability. Kate Walker called out a short time.

May 16 Clear & warm. spaded a large square in the garden before sunrise. shelled seed corn. finished Planting corn by noon. I made tempering crab & ironed sweep. worked very hard. in afternoon we sett it up & cut & hauled in 2 more shed poles. got them in Sharps woods.

May 17 Clear & warm. Jacob Coy came on this morning to assist us in getting ready to make brick (he is going to dig clay for me). we sett all the forks. Put the poles all up (a heavy job). carted dirt. Sawed 5 small logs etc etc. was all busy. George is hauling Boards & wood.

May 18 Clear & warm. Put in the Day at the yard. got about ready to make brick. Sis made me a Present of a new Leghorn hat.

May 19 Clear Dry & warm. got up early and blacksmithed until breakfast. worked at the yard until 9 O'clock. got the boys started to making brick. in afternoon I worked up town. made teeth for tempering tub at Hamilton & Howlls shop. gave him fifty cents for an old tire of which I made them. looks like rain at sundown. Joseph Fawcett & wife left for Iowa.

May 20 Clear & warm but had a fine rain last night. got up early went over to Daniel Bonsalls and got one Dozen Tomatoe Plants & sett them out. got 3 Dozen of Joel McMillen & sett them out also. Geo is hauling manure from James Browns covering our Potatoe Patch. I am still making brickyard accoutrements.

May 21 Cloudy & clear at intervals. rained a little last night. plowed & planted Potatoes. made brick in afternoon. have everything at the yard now. Donelly & George walked

home. horses are all worn out.

May 22 Cloudy & cool. Sis & Ed is gone to Canfield to see Mary Ann Hughes. I Done little or nothing. planted some broomcorn seed. hacked 1000 Brick.

May 23 Cloudy & wet. rained considerable last night. hauled brick & Boards. cut shingle timber etc etc. rained most of the Day in showers accompanied with thunder & Lightning. roads are quite slipery.

May 24 Cloudy & wet with big rain at 7 O'clock AM. hauled 2 loads of boards. got them all home now. in afternoon we raised the Stack at the machine shop. I hauled 2 loads of brick. cut some logs for shingles etc etc.

May 25 Clear & very pleasant. finished laying the tyle in our cellar Drain. want to finish it up now. the boys are making brick now. the yard is too wet but they must be made Planted sweet corn & white beans.

May 26 Clear & cloudy at intervals. made 4000 brick. Geo & I hauled brick. Post & McArter started the Engine to Day for the first. cool all Day.

May 27 Cloudy & cool. hauled brick all Day. the Boys made 4000. nothing to say in addition.

May 28 Clear & warm. Geo hauled sand in forenoon. in afternoon he went to New Brighton to see a sick Brother. I went to Benj Grenemire raising (of a Barn) but found so many there and having a good deal to Do I came home again. worked some at the machine Shop.

May 29 Clear & warm. piled up my boards. worked some at a Pair of brickmolds. Tim Gee & wife took Diner with us.

May 30 Cloudy & pleasant. took in a hack of brick before 6 O'clock. hauled Brick until noon. put on Brick shed & then went to Town. made no Brick to Day. a large turn out to the Soldiers Decoration.

May 31 Clear & some cloudy at intervals. a little rain in afternoon but not enough to lay the dust. Old Michael Crumrine was burried to Day. he is Said to have been the man that furnished the feathers for the mob that Tarred & Feathered M R Robinson at the Centre of Berlin in 1836. he lived to know better. if he Did let ignorance shield him as he is in his Old age appeared to be a conciencious Man. Sue Smith of Jersey & Sue Fawcett visited us this afternoon.

Jun 1 Clear & warm. as fine a morning as one could wish. got up early. finished my Brickmolds before breakfast. hauled boards to Town. hauld one load of brick. in afternoon hauled Shingles & one load of Sand. rained about 5 O'clock. I was in Eli

Fawcetts Barn at the time. came home across through Hugh Stewarts.

Jun 2 Clear & pleasant this morning put a new elbow on my stove the old one having burned out. hauled brick in afternoon & wood in forenoon. the boys made one thousand brick in afternoon. big rain about 6 O'clock PM. Started our Kiln.

Jun 3 Clear & fine growing weather as can be. sett a few brick. made 3000 brick. Geo commenced working corn at noon. I made singletree for Geo Gordons sulkey.

Jun 4 Clear and Delightful this morning. stuck our Lima beans. the Boys made 300 brick. I sett some. spent a portion of the afternoon at the machine shop. collected some money etc etc.

Jun 5 Cloudy & threatens rain. made a modell for Brick Press. hacked up some Brick. raining in afternoon. Sis is getting ready to Start this evening for Illinois & Iowa on a visit. all ready at 5 O'clock PM. we started for the Depot found Doc Rush already there waiting for her. he is going a far as Chicago with her. will see her safe aboard the Burlington & Quincy Cars. they all got a fair start. we shall now be anxious to hear of their Safe arrival.

Jun 6 Clear & pleasant. Sett some brick. made 3000. very pleasant all Day. Done some work at Geo Gordons Sulkey. Geo is working the Corn. wrote a letter to Benjamin Gilbert of Lancaster Co Penn.

Jun 7 Cloudy. made 4000 brick. I took a grist of 6 bushels of wheat to Hendricks mill. have concluded to quit the Buckeye Mill. we certainly got much more flour from the Same amount of wheat. took 2 vice benches up to McCarter & Post as good ones as I ever saw. Sett some brick. went to Town in the evening. heard from Sis she is all right. no rain of any amount to day.

Jun 8 Clear & pleasant. hauled a one horse load of Sand before breakfast. went up to Ham Howels shop and finished George Gordons Sulkey. it will be one year tomorrow since it was brot here in Embrio. it is high time it was done. made 4000 brick but they will get wet. looks much like rain at sunsett.

Jun 9 Cloudy & threatens rain. the boys made 500 brick and had to quit on account of the rain. got a line from Sis Hise. she arrived at Isaac Norris (Lomaille Bureau County Ill) all right. I hauled a load of Brick in forenoon. in afternoon we sett brick.

Jun 10 Cloud & wet. rained considerable this morning. set our brick by noon. in afternoon I went to Washingtonville and a small load of coal. got a letter from sis & one from John Hise. wrote Sis & answer to night.

Jun 11 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up and at noon commenced raining and continued all Day. I spent most of the Day in Town. collected a little money. Settled

with Jacob Schilling. he owed me 105.75 gave me a check for the amount. made 3000 brick and got them wet. Bot Jonny a new hat.

Jun 12 Cloudy & wet. tore our Carriage to peices made kindling wood of it. tired of seeing it about and now after recording it intend to rest if there is such a thing for me. I am so nervous & restless it is almost impossible for me to be still at all. Brother Jesse called out a few hours. Rained so he could scarcely get home. wind blew a gale from Northeast spoiled lots of Brick for us. Johny Shepherd with Old Mike & Buggy took Sarah over home. got back at 5 O'clock in the Rain.

Jun 13 Cloudy windy and wet. Samuel & Dave cut saw logs in forenoon. in afternoon cleared off the Brickyard. Tuff & I hauled shingle logs.

Jun 14 Cloudy & Dull. Sam & Dave worked on the Roads. Tuff & I hauled shingle logs and one load of Brick. threatens rain at sunsett.

Jun 15 Cloudy & wet. rained hard at 5 O'clock. we all quarried Stone to Day. rained considerable in afternoon. J F Dickinson is with us to night.

Jun 16 Cloudy & Dull. Dave & Sam cut and hauled in 175 feet of chestnutt logs to Bore for carrying spring to the Barn. I shod a couple of our Horses and spent considerable of the forenoon with J F Dickinson. in afternoon we went to Town where I spent most of the afternoon. voted for 2 school Directors T C Boone & Peter Laubie anti Cowhide Candidates. Philip Evans & I walked Down to the Coal Shaft. they were taking out 4 Barrels of water per minute. they were forced to stop and put in a pump.

Jun 17 Clear at sunrise. Both teams hauling for Joel Stratton. Donelly & I are putting in the floor of the Gem Machine Shop. I am very tired to night.

Jun 18 Clear & warm. made 2300 Brick in forenoon. I & Johny hauled some brick in forenoon. in afternoon I went to Lisbon & Paid my tax 46 51/100 Doll. Nora went with me. we got back about 8 O'clock. Donelly went home.

Jun 19 Clear & very warm. hoed my corn & beans & worked a little in the garden. in afternoon Margaret Nora & I went out to John Gordons. Met Geo and his new wife. Did not know that he was married until we got there. got home in good time.

Jun 20 Clear & warm. hoed Potatoes before breakfast. Donelly Did not come home. got Jacob Cary to Mold in his Place. I Dug clay but nearly give out. it hurts my head to Dig with a pick. Donelly is home at noon. clouded up and Rained. Sam is too sick to work. Tuff & I hauled 3 cart loads of Sand before the Rain. Donelly got in all the Dry brick & Jonny & I hacked up and covered all we made to Day so that we lost none by the Rain.

Jun 21 Clear & pleasant. Sam is still too sick to work but Tuff offbore and I tempered. made 3900 Brick. all worked well. attended the Discussion between Mr Pike and Mr

Sweeney (the latter of Chicago). Pike affirms that Christianity is an out growth of ancient Paganism. Sweeny claims to refute it but to my mind has utterly failed thus far.

Jun 22 Clear & fine. all hands are making brick. I Done some work up at the machine shop. collected a little money. Bought Sugar & rice. attended the Debate in the evening. a great crowd is in attendance.

Jun 23 Clear & most Delightful this morning. Paschall Seeds came on this morning & he finished up the machineShop. weather boarded hung Doors etc. attended the Debate. very interesting. fine weather for brickmaking.

Jun 24 Clear & fine. Discovered this morning that the Boys made but 3200 brick on yesterday. I was indignant. asked them whose fault it was. all of Decided Donelly was to blame as he would not get up and commence until 7 O'clock. I told him we would settle as I would not be trifled with any longer. he is too lazy to enjoy life. I have come very near Discharging him on several occasions but thought I had better try & put up with him this sumer but he is a miserable harvest hand and I am glad to be shut of him. I owed and Paid him 35 50/100 Doll. got Jake Coy to mold in his Place. Ridgeway Haines & a Mr Smith of Alliance took Diner & spent a few hours with us. they are attending to Debate.

Jun 25 Clear & warm. shod Ned. took some lumber up to Machine shop. want to put up a Pair of Stairs. fixing up my mowing machine. bought 27 lb of cheese for 13 cts per lb. Paid out considerable money to our hands. is very warm in evening.

Jun 26 Clear & warm. got up early & churned. Picked cherries. wrote a letter to sis hise now in Iowa. in afternoon went to hear Mr Pike. he made an able argument in favor of his view of the Christian Religeon (viz) that it is an outgrowth of ancient Paganism. thundered and looked a little like Rain but none fell in this neighborhood. cooler at sundown. very hot all Day.

Jun 27 Clear & warm. got up at 1/2 past 3. took the team and went to Joshua Davis and brot home a load of Sand. was home by 6 O'clock. Pack Seeds & I put up stair way at the machine shop. have about all Done now that I have to Do to it. Sett some brick this afternoon.

Jun 28 Clear & warm. sett some brick to Day. was out to get Wiley to Dig Clay a day or two. threatened Rain but none fell. made 4500 Brick. in evening attended a Panorama. very fine.

Jun 29 Clear at sunrise but at 7 O'clock is some cloudy in the west. wrote a line to E G Wait of Ravenna. made Brick. Dug clay. put more teeth in our tempering tub.

Jun 30 Cloudy with some rain at 5 O'clock AM. got to molding at 9 O'clock. made 4000 brick. very warm. Wiley Dug clay.

Jun 31 Clear with rain last night. made 4000 brick. Wiley Dug clay & took in 3000 brick. got a letter from Sis & one from Alona Gilbert of Lancaster Co Pa. spent the evening up Town.

Jul 1 Cloudy with some rain this morningabout 2 or 3 O'clock. got our brick wet as we left them uncovered. they however was not much injured. we got up at 4 O'clock and covered them after which we had a good rain. sett brick all Day. got along well. Paid Jake Coy 21 62/100 Doll. Paid Tuff 38 50/100 Doll. rained considerable through the Day.

Jul 2 Cloudy & Dull. Done but little to day. the hands are all gone getting ready for the fourth. checked out 50 Dollars. paid it out where I owed it. collected a little. came home past the coal shaft.

Jul 3 Clear & cool. sett up a gearing with which to churn and Done a churning with it. Done well. wrote out the Millers Maid. going to send it to Benj Gilbert of Lancaster Co Penn. walked over to see Wiley. got him to come and wheel in brick tomorrow.

Jul 4 Clear & very pleasant. this is the 31st aniversary of our marriage which took place on the evening of July 3rd 1839. we have neither of us ever regretted it. it has been 31 years of work & buffiting of this world ups & Downs but we have (with the blessing of good health if I except a severe spell of Typhoid Fever with which we have both been affected). thus far been able to secure a comfortable Home and if nothing happens will at our Deaths have something to divide between our two Dear children whose comfort it is the heighth of my ambition to secure. took Sarah over home. went on to greenvillage to see Esq Callahan. he had come to Salem. I met him at New Albany gave him an account to collect against Joshua Woods of Washingtonville. in evening went over & brot Sarah back.

Jul 5 Clear & warm all Day. ground our scythe ready for harvesting. took in what brick was on the yard and secured them against rain. in evening cut a couple of Dozen of wheat. it is ripe.

Jul 6 Clear & warm. cut 75 Dozen of our wheat & put it in shock. spent the evening at Joels with Parker Pillsbury.

Jul 7 Cloudy & threatens rain. hoed Potatoes until about 11 O'clock when it commenced raining. we all went into the hay mow and slep until called to Diner when it was still raining. in afternoon we cleaned up the Barn. put up a new Pulley with which to hoist hay. got wagon in readiness etc etc. but it is now too wet to harvest.

Jul 8 Cloudy with more rain last night. sett brick most of the Day. rained hard in forenoon none this afternoon. about 4 O'clock Parker Pillsbury called out took tea with us after which he and I went up Town to a special meeting of the Organization known as the Broad Gauge. we now have a Prospect of getting Parker to come and live among us and

talk to us etc etc. shall be Doubly pleased if we succeed in securing his services.

Jul 9 Clear & warm. a good hay Day but we had some Dirt to cart up Town and Done it by noon. in afternoon Sam hoed the Potatoes and I spent the time up Town. had a great R R meeting but I Did not attend. I can take no Stock and therefore absented myself as I Bought 7 yards of cotton goods for Johny & 2 pants. Sarah went to L Webbs to stay all night.

Jul 10 Clear & cool. shod 2 of our Horses. in afternoon visited at Joels. took Diner with Parker Pillsbury Marius Robinson & wife John Gordon & wife John Clemens & wife Laura Barnaby & Daughters Charley Grizell all Old Anti Slavery Friends. had a particularly nice time. wrote a letter to Sis Hise. she is now in Iowa. wrote a letter enclosing one Dollar to W H Mumber of Boston who professes to send emblems of spirit friends. I sent for Father Hises who has now been Dead about 17 years since which time it is needless to say I have heard nothing of his whereabouts. should we get a likeness of him it will forever establish the fact of Spiritualism in my mind.

Jul 11 Cloudy & wet. cut wheat until about noon. in afternoon we sett brick. rained considerable.

Jul 12 Cloudy & Dull. cut wheat all Day. rained at 6 O'clock. Frank not here to Day. I raked & Bound after the cradler for the first time. got a letter from Alona Gilbert.

Jul 13 Clear & warm. commenced mowing. cocked it up in afternoon. Johny & I hauld in 3 loads of wheat. got a letter from Sis.

Jul 14 Clear & some cloudy at intervals. took Trimbles Cow out to John Pows. Frank played off again to Day & I was forced to mow fence corners & stumps. Rachel Hise & her son Eddy arrived this morning only about 25 hours from West Liberty. got Chessmans hired man to help us & we got in 4 loads of excellent hay this afternoon. took Aunt Rote over to Grand Pap Goulbourns. cloudy but little prospects of Rain.

Jul 15 Cloudy & clear at intervals. cut and got in the Ballance of our field of hay. as good as ever went into barn. Chessmans hand helped us. at sunsett it threatens rain.

Jul 16 Cloudy with a little rain last night but not enough to injure grass that is fresh cut. we finished cutting our wheat by noon. in aftrnoon Johny & I hauled 1800 brick to Caleb Taylor. Sam made pole swing.

Jul 17 Clear & warm. feel Dull this morning. read the Tribune until I fell to sleep. at 8 O'clock roused up and wrote this with an old quil pen my gold having got broken. in afternoon Ed Hise took "Old Mike & Buggy. he Margaret & Nora went over to Father Goulbourns. got back about Dark. rained a little in evening. (I staid at Home.

Jul 18 Clear & warm at sunrise. repaired our mowing machine & Sam went to mowing.

I took a grist to mill. got back at noon. Nora went with me. rained hard about noon. Blacksmithed in afternoon.

Jul 19 Clear at sunrise. went up and bot a new gold pen. opened out some of our wheat shocks. Fitz Allen Bradey helped me haul in two loads when it commenced raining hard. wrote Sis Hise a letter. went to Town in evening. Aunt Rote & Eddie came over from Grandpap Goulbourns. will visit us a few Days now.

Jul 20 Clear & very warm. will certainly rain before night it is so hot. hauled 300 brick to Caleb Taylor. opened out the ballance of our wheat. in afternoon got Cris Kineman to help and we hauled it and two loads of hay in. have all in that is cut except weeds.

Jul 21 Clear & wet at sunrise. had a heavy storm of wind and rain about 2 O'clock this morning. wind blew irregular but considerably hard. must have broken Down corn and Oats much. I spent the Day mending harness. Sam stuck boards in forenoon. in afternoon finished our mowing. Margaret & Aunt Rote went out to Joseph Saxons. cleared off in afternoon and as sundown is very pleasant. (got a letter from Sis).

Jul 22 Clear & cooler. wind in northwest. think the rain is over for a few Days. Fitz Allen Brady & Wiley are both helping us to Day. Sam is mowing for Wm Pidgeon in forenoon. in afternoon we hauled in hay. got all in that is good for anything.

Jul 23 Clear & warm all Day. Sam mowed for Pidgeon in forenoon. in afternoon he loafed. Fitz Allen & Wiley finished hauling & Stacking weeds in Barnyard & cradled a little of our Oats. I Done but little work to Day. is too hot for me in the sunshine. walked over to Father Goulbourns & Back to Town.

Jul 24 Clear & warm. dug Potatoes for breakfast. they are early goodriches & very fine. Margaret Aunt Rote Nora Eddy & Ed went visiting to Pack Seeds and from there to Sam Sharpnacks. Uncle Silas called in and he & I chatted until about 3 O'clock after which I started on foot to Sharpnacks. had got about one half of the way when it commenced Raining. I got to keep dry. Margaret & company got some wet. got back all Safe. Ed took Aunt Rote over to grandpapa Goulbourns. wrote a letter to Sis.

Jul 25 Clear & warm. got up early and churned before breakfast. Jake Coy came up and helped Sam to fix up they yard ready for brickmaking again. in afternoon Sam hauled sand. Fitz Allen cradled Oats. rained about 3 O'clock. I am too unwell to Do anything but lay about.

Jul 26 Clear & warm. commenced making brick this morning. bought sash and Painted them for machine shop up town. in afternoon walked over to Father Goulbourns. had a heavy rain & wind about 3 O'clock. met Jo Saxon & wife & J F Dickinson there. Margaret Nora Aunt Rote and Aunt Mary Jacob was there also.

Jul 27 Clear and warm with rain last night. Paid 10 Dollars for atlas of Columbiana Co

Ohio. spent a portion of the Day in town. rained about noon and at 6 O'clock rained hard. made 3000 brick but they are getting washed.

Jul 28 Clear at sunrise. bot 12 lb veal one Dollars worth of Sugar 1 pound coffee 1/2 Tea lamp chimney etc etc. hauld one load of Sand but it was so wet we could scarcely Do it. rained about noon. Dug clay & sett brick in afternoon. very discouraging making brick. Cloudy at sunsett & threatens Rain.

Jul 29 Cloudy & cold with a little rain last night but now looks as if it was now over for a few Days at least. Johny & I bound and hauld in a couple of loads of Oats. the Boys made 4000 brick the first days work in 4 weeks. Margaret & Nora visited at Jo Saxons.

Jul 30 Cloudy & cool. bought a little beef. Johny & I tied up and hauled in all the Oats that was cut & hacked up 4500 brick which kept us pretty busy. Margaret & Nora visited with Aunt Rachel at Mrs Harriet Arners. cool all Day. I spent the evening in Town.

Jul 31 Cloudy & cool. have a fire in the dining room it is pleasant to sit by. Aunt Rote Father & Mother Goulbourn Jesse Hise & wife Geo Henshilwood Samuel Sharpnack & Sister Una Paskall Seeds & wife Jacob Heaton & wife Thomas Kenstt & wife Joel McMillen & wife Alfonzo Sheets Edwin Hise & others were here.

Aug 1 Clear & warmer. took Sarah Home must now hunt another girl. helped Geo Fleck glaze windows at machine shop. Aunt Rote started for home at 6 O'clock PM. Mrs Post accompanied her as far as Chicago and Mother Sheets as far as West Liberty. Sam Cradled Oats in afternoon.

Aug 2 Clear & pleasant. made 4000 brick. I hauled sand all Day. got a good supply. bought 1/2 mutton cost 2 25/100 Doll. wrote a letter to Peter Heitman enquiring of him of the whereabouts of Hannah Bennett. want to get her to come and work for us.

Aug 3 Clear & warm. put the windows in machine shop. in afternoon hacked up what brick was Dry enough and helped Fitz Allen sett fence Posts. had 2 showers of Rain in afternoon. did not get quite a full days work of Brick.

Aug 4 Clear this morning but had a good rain last night. made 4600 Brick. Fitz Allen helped me finish setting Posts & bound up some of the Oats. Mr Hazen of Ravenna came out to see me about some Bail Money I owe him. we made arrangements by which I am to Pay it on the 10th of this month. hired a new clay Digger.

Aug 5 Clear & warm. Bound Oats. 3 of our 2nd Cousins from Philadelphia called and took Diner with us. made 4000 Brick. fine weather as can be.

Aug 6 Clear & warm. Johny & I finished taking in our Oats. have all in the Barn now. made days work of brick. pay as I go.

Aug 7 Clear & warm. went out to Eltons saw mill before breakfast. want some shed boards but could not get them there. came home by & called at Harriet Arners. got my log chain that the boys lost & her son found. after breakfast went Down to Joshua Davis to hire a farmer but could not afford to pay the wages. toward evening Garnett Lyons came over on purpose to hire with me. we made a bargain at 18 Dollars per month for 3 months. he is to come on the 9th (Day after tomorrow). covered our brick as it looks some like rain at sunsett.

Aug 8 Clear & warm with every sign of rain vanished. went down to Jacob Brinkers Tenant Hosue to see if I could hire a girl but she was not at home but her mother said I could get her this evening. went out to see Wiley. want him to help me sett brick. when I got home who should be here but Hannah Bennett the girl I had wrote for a week ago and had given up all hopes of getting her but she Did not get the letter until Saturday night and came on as soon as she could afterwards. went Down in the evening to notify the other that we should not want her and she had already sent me word (which I did not get) that she would not come. so we were lucky all around. bought 410 ft of Pine board and puit on the Ballance of our shed as it looks like for rain at sunsett.

Aug 9 Clear at 7 O'clock. had a fine shower last night but will not interfere with brick making to Day. made Wiley a table. put a pump in the clay hole. water is getting low.

Aug 10 Cloudy and warm. Garett Lyons came on this morning to farm for me at 18 Dollars per month for 3 months. shod ned. fixed up the wagon and set him to hauling out manure. ring the hogs and turned them into the clover field. Wiley & I sett brick. throwed a note in bank for 550 Dollars to pay a note on which I was so foolish as to Bail E G Wait. will probably loose it. rained a little at 6 O'clock PM.

Aug 11 Cloudy and clear at intervals. rained about 11 O'clock. got 1300 brick made. too wet in afternoon to make brick. I sett brick. Charles Hoiles of Ill our old friend is with us to night.

Aug 12 Cloudy & Dull. Jonathan Stanleys Barn burned at 2 O'clock this morning with all its contents. was sett on fire undoubtedly either accidently or on purpose. Margaret & Charles Hoiles visited at Father Goulbourns. he starts for home tomorrow morning at 2 O'clock. had some rain. I sett brick made none.

Aug 13 Cloudy & wet. Wiley & I sett brick until noon. in afternoon collected a little money. was out to see James England on money matters. want to get a loan of 500 Dollars for one year. did not negotiate for it certain.

Aug 14 Cloudy but soon cleared off. was cool enough to have a fire all Day. I Read Exeter Hall a Theological Romance. when I got through I took it up to Martha Heilman believing she would like to read it.

Aug 15 Clear & Pleasant. shod some of the horses. hauled 3000 brick from Pidgeons

Kiln at Bowns. hauled home a load of boards from Tyle shed. made brick to Day.

Aug 16 Clear & warm. sett brick most of the Day. made 4000. fine weather as can be. went up Town to settle with the Babtists and try to get what they owe me into an available shape but found the bell weather sick in bed. must therefore wait a little longer.

Aug 17 Clear and warm. bot 117 cts worth of beef. am heartyly tired of going to town for beef but cannot help it at present. hauled one load of brick & 2 of sand. in afternoon Johny & I hauled brick & seen them play Base Ball.

Aug 18 Clear & warm. Johny & I sett brick all Day. getting along well with brickmaking. weather is excellent now. Benj Windall Died.

Aug 19 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up and at noon it rained a very little. Johny & I sett & took care of brick. heavy rain at 6.

Aug 20 Clear & cool. too much water in the Pit. could not make brick to Day. settled with John Deming. he owed and Paid me 31 50/100 Doll. spent a good portion of the Day in Town.

Aug 21 Clear & Pleasant. went Down to the Brickyard before sunrise and graded off some more of the Kiln ground. Peter Heitman & wife visited us at 11 O'clock. we were shocked by a Telegram from West Liberty stating that Mother Died at that place suddenly & unlooked for on last evening. must await though impatiently the Particulars. Despatched back to know if they were going to bring her home but at bedtime have received no answer. She was 83 years & 4 Days old.

Aug 22 Clear & cool. went up Town to see if we could hear anything more in relation to Mother Hise but no Despatch came up to 9 O'clock & I came home under the impression that she must be coming but at 12 O'clock Received a Despatch stating they could not bring her. am Disappointed but cannot help it now. I can see no use in me going out now as she as she would certainly be burried before I could get there. wrote Brother William a letter explaining matters to him and asking him to send me the particulars of Mothers Death. making no Brik to Day.

Aug 23 sett some brick in forenoon. in aftrnoon Johny & I hauled 500 Brik for Doc Rush. took them to property on 4th street. Dug some at my culvert at the lane end. want to get it Done now.

Aug 24 Cloudy & threatens Rain. got up before it was quite light. covered up my sand as I want to use it to Day. ridded and made up a bed of mortar before breakfast then commenced laying brick and at sunsett finished laying the brick. tunned a tube of hard brick. think I have something now that will last. got a letter from Brother William giving the particulars of Mothers Death. she breathed her last at 8 O'clock & 35 minutes PM on Saturday August 20 aged 83 years and 4 Days.

Aug 25 Clear & warm. got up early & finished my culvert. got it all completed by noon. made a good job of it. Johny & I sett some brick. in afternoon about 3 O'clock PM it commenced raining hard accompanied with hard wind. got up one hack of Brick. cleaned up the Barn some must get ready for the Threshing. they expect to come on Monday next. got a letter from sis. she is yet at West Liberty expects to come home next week.

Aug 26 Clear & warm. made 4000 Brik. I helped the neighbors. some 10 or 12 that volunteered and we cleaned up the Baptist burrying ground. took Diner with John Chisholm.

Aug 27 Clear & warm. spent a portion of the Day in town. sett some brick & took care of what was on the yeard. wrote a letter to Lizzie Wait.

Aug 28 Clear & warm. got up early and watered the pit at the Brickyard. cleaned up our Crib house & Bolted our wheat Bin (that had spread) together & Built another along side. in afternoon I read Voltaire a work of which I am very fond. Brother Jesse called out and spent an hour or two with us.

Aug 29 Clear & warm. the threshers came on as arranged and we Did rattle out the grain fast. had 82 bushels of wheat & 122 bushel of Oats. rained some in afternoon but we kept on threshing. I took straw & chaff away from toil end of the machine and it was altogether to hard for me. I was about used up when night came. took a warm bath & covered up under 6 quilts and got up a good sweat but Did not rest much. was so tired I could not lie still.

Aug 30 Clear & fine this morning. I feel some better but will work none to Day. got the threshing Done by about 11 O'clock. cost 16 Doll. Louis Schilling Paid it for me. sold 2100 Brick out of Pidgeons Kiln for 14 75/100 Doll. brot Geo Gordons Sulkey out. John Gordon will be after it in a Day or two.

Aug 31 Clear & warm. Garett plowed until noon. in afternoon tempered as Jo has a sore toe. Johny & I sett some brick in forenoon. in afternoon went to Mill & hauled 500 Paving Brick to Geo Fleck. got a letter from Sis saying she will start home on Thursday evening and reach here on Friday night at 10 O'clock if nothing happens.

Sep 1 Clear & fine as can be. Sam had to go to the Dentists at 12 O'clock last night and get a tooth Drawn. hauled 200 brick & brot our grist home. sett brick the ballance of the Day. in evening Nora & I rode over to see Father Goulbourns. he is very poorly. (moonlight).

Sep 2 Cloudy but very pleasant. got up at 4 O'clock bought beef. lent Benj Hilman 3 bushels of new wheat for seed. sett brick all Day. went to Depot and met Sis. she came all right. is plump & hearty. rained a little at the Depot but none at Unserheim.

Sep 3 Cloudy & Dull. sett Brick until 11 O'clock when it commenced raining. Mr Gordon came & got Georges Sulkey. spent the afternoon in Town. rained hard at about 1/2 past one O'clock.

Sep 4 Clear & pleasant. wrote a letter to brother Geo & William of West LibertyIowa. we all went over & spent the Day with Father Goulbourn. he is feeling much better. came home in good time.

Sep 5 Clear & coolish. got Joseph Venable to Sow our wheat. got it harrowed one way and half of it cross harrowed. Johny & I sett Brick all Day.

Sep 6 Clear & Pleasant. Garrett finished harrowing the wheat. hauled Sand & emptied our Norway Oats. I sett brick. J F Dickinson came over this afternoon. is going to stay all night.

Sep 7 Cloudy at sunrise but not rain clouds I think. got up at 3 O'clock and went for beef. had a good chat with Pap Dickinson last night. sett brick until 5 O'clock then hitched Ned to the Buggy and took Pap Dickinson out to John Gordons. spent the evening with them came home by nine O'clock. as pleasant & moonlight as could well be.

Sep 8 Clear & warm. I dug clay for 4000 brick and sett 3000. J F Dickinson went home this morning. in the evening I walked over to Geo Baums brick kiln. I wanted to see how the burned with stove coal. got back a little after 9. clear & moonlight.

Sep 9 Clear & warm. sett 3000 brick. the boys made 3500 when it rained hard. Harriet Arner visited us this afternoon. Big rain.

Sep 10 Cloudy and cool. got up early & bot a little beef. cased at the kiln all Day. got along very well. cleared off in afternoon is cool & pleasant.

Sep 11 Clear & cool. read the war news. Bonepart has gone up the Spout for certain. attended meeting at the Broad gauge. heard Parker Pillsbury Preach his first sermon in Salem and a good one it was. such on one as only he can Deliver. Peter Heitman took Diner with us. Mary Gee also.

Sep 12 Clear & pleasant. worked at the Brickyard most of the Day. getting along well. Wm Lightfoot called out. spent a portion of the afternoon with us took supper and spent an hour with us in the evening but could not stay all night. wish he could have Done so. no man in the world would be more welcome. he now talks of going to North Carolina. God bless him go where he may. I am 57 years Old to Day.

Sep 13 Clear & warm all Day. repaired wagon & brot home a flag stone bought of Doc Lyons to cover the well cost 3 40/100 Doll. in afternoon sett brick. have now enough to fill the Kiln.

Sep 14 Clear in the east but a little cloudy in west at sunrise. in forenoon worked at a wagon bed for Philip Evans. in afternoon sett brick.

Sep 15 Clear & Pleasant. worked at the wagon bed in forenoon & sett brick in afternoon.

Sep 16 Clear & warm. worked at wagon bed & finished setting Brik. have now enough made. wound all up to Day. must now cut our corn & then burn our Brick. Parker Pillsbury took supper with us.

Sep 17 Cloudy & Dull. 3 hands cutting corn. I worked all Day at the wagon bed. got it about Done. took care of a few brick. no rain.

Sep 18 Clear & some cloudy at intervals but no rain. attend church & from there Margaret & I went over to Father Goulbourns. he is only middling wellnow.

Sep 19 Cloudy with Dense fog. 5 of us finished cutting our corn. got Done about 5 O'clock PM. cleared off and was fine all Day.

Sep 20 Clear & pleasant. all hands cased at our brick kiln. got along well. want to get it Done as soon as Possible.

Sep 21 Clear & warm. finished casing the Kiln & got it nearly all smeared. went Down to Moor Coal bank to engage coal to Burn our brick. came back past town & bought a Pair of Horse Shoes.

Sep 22 Clear warm. shod a couple of our horses. helped Brother Jesse make tire for the front wheels of our waggon. they are one inch thick and as nicely put on as I ever saw. Garret hauled wood from Town. Jacob Coy & Wm Moore finished smearing the Kiln and at 4 O'clock PM we Kindled fire in it. Sam is at the County Fair.

Sep 23 Clear & warm. attended the Kiln in forenoon. in afternoon made 28 iron Doors for the Kiln. Judson Callahan Killed on yesterday at the Planing Mill in attempting to throw the Belt with a stick. it caught against the arm of the Pully and was driven through his Heart Killing him instantly.

Sep 24 Cloudy and warm. attending the Kiln. are burning some coal with the wood. Jacob Coy is helping to Day. Kiln appears to be Doing well. Margaret was over to see Father Goulbourn. he is now very poorly. will not I fear live long.

Sep 25 Cloudy but no prospect of Rain. Kiln is Doing fine. I stay with it most of the time.

Sep 26 Cloudy but not rain clouds. all hands engaged at the Kiln. I had a Dirty job opening up the top course which was sett too tight for burning with coal.

Sep 27 Clear & coolish but very pleasant. Kiln is Doing well. nothing else going on except coal hauling.

Sep 28 Cloudy but pleasant. all hands still at the brick. weather fine and everything is going off favorable.

Sep 29 Cloudy but cool but little signs of Rain. the Dust is very deep. closed the fires in the Kiln. think we have a good burn.

Sep 30 Cloud & Pleasant no rain yet. got up late went up town bought beef & mutton. must Dig Potatoes to Day. Dug but few until it commenced raining and we were forced to quit. the Boys Put away the straw.

Sep 31 Cloudy & wet. rained all night and is raining slowly all Day. Johny & I hauled a few brick in the rain. Sam & Garrett righted up the Horse Stable.

Oct 1 Cloudy & Dull. commenced a Brideway into our Brickyard but it soon commenced to rain when we abandoned it. Sam went home and as it soon quit raining. Garrett & I went up to Machine shop and worked there. John Negus Paid me 5 Dollars on hay he bought 3 years since. Sold Patrick Lyons one of our fans for 5 Dollars.

Oct 2 Cloudy & cool. attend church. took Diner with Jesse. had a long talk with William Rice an old settler. helped survey the first Town Plat of Salem. he now lives in Mercer Co Ohio. rained in afternoon. wrote a letter to John Hise of Iowa.

Oct 3 Cloudy & Dull. took in what Potatoes we had dug and got our broom corn into the Barn. I spent a portion of the Day in Town. Paid Ira Moore 10 Dollars on coal account. Bough Hannah a pair of gum shoes cost 90 cents.

Oct 4 Cloudy & wet. gathered some apples for cider. put the shed on our brick Kiln. sold 600. rained some this afternoon. Frank Hise called out a few minutes on his way to Kansas City.

Oct 5 Cloudy & Dull. Drizzled rain some in forenoon. took off some of the casing of our Kiln & toe down the butmont. in afternoon we worked at crossing. want to make a good way to get into the Kiln.

Oct 6 Clear and cool. all hands except myself went to Canfield Fair. John Painter of Iowa visited us to Day. we had a Pleasant time. was much pleased to have him here.

Oct 7 Clear & Pleasant. Dug our Potatoes had a poor crop. they were destroyed by the mice. I spent a portion of the afternoon in Town.

Oct 8 Clear & warm. gathering apples to Day. I repaired Harness in forenoon. in

afternoon helped gather apples. Garrett Lyons quit at my request.

Oct 9 Clear & warm. scalded out 3 of our Cider Barrels. attended church and had one of the most interesting Discourses I ever listened to. little Does the People of Salem know what they are missing in neglecting to hear Parker Pillsbury. Jesse Hise & wife visiting us this afternoon.

Oct 10 Clear & pleasant. Sam picked apples & I made cider at Chessmans. made about one & a half barrels. very good. Pat Lyons & his son garrett came and bought a yearling heifer of me. gave me 28 Dollars for it. Garett had 20 Dollars coming to him & Pat Paid me the Ballance. all square with them now.

Oct 11 Cloudy & threatens rain. worked all Day at a shed to Boil applebutter under. Sam Boiled Down the Cider. no rain.

Oct 12 Cloudy with a very little rain. Bought a new grate for cookstove cost 70 cts. Boiling apple butter to Day. finished the shed and mooved the Kettle under it where we made a Kettle of excellent applebutter. I spent the afternoon in Town.

Oct 13 Cloudy & cool. picked apples & put them in the cellar. Robt Hole Paid me 433 Dollars he owed me for Brick. I paid it on a note in Bank. gives me Bail money for Ez Wait. owe 120 Dollars on it yet.

Oct 14 Clear & cool with a stiff frost. Picking apples to Day. Sold 14 1/2 bushels of gate apples.

Oct 15 Clear & fine. finished picking our winter apples by noon. spent the ballance of the Day in Town. bough Nora some crackers. she is yet some amiss.

Oct 16 Clear & pleasant. mended my wagon in the morning. Margaret Nora Johny & I attended church after which we went over to Father Goulbourns. stayed with them awhile. came home. visited at Joel McMillens where we met Marius & Emely. he & I walked over to see the Coal shaft. at 1/4 past Six Margaret Sis & I concluded to call on Martha Hilman. we Did accordingly and had a very pleasant chat of an hour or so.

Oct 17 Clear & warm. picked up our apples for cider. took them over to Jesse Hawleys to make them up but he has poor presses. brought the pummice home and am pressing it over again at Chessmans where we get 1/3 as much as we got at first.

Oct 18 Cloudy this morning with hard wind last night and a very little rain. finished making cider. Sam boiled it Down. in evening we paired & cut apples.

Oct 19 Clear & cold. stiff frost this morning. got up at 4 O'clock and went for beef. Jacob Coy is diging Drain for Clay hole. Sam is making applebutter. Johny & I hauled 2100 Brick to Wm Jennings. rained all the afternoon. commenced ironing of a Carriage.

want to finish it up as we are now out of a carriage.

Oct 20 Cloudy and Dull. finished making apple butter to Day. have about 35 gallons as good as can be made. I worked all Day at our carriage. sold 200 Brick to Tom Ripply.

Oct 21 Clear & cold. Sam went out in the country and bought some Rye Straw. Johny & I hauld Brick. weather pleasant. Sam husked corn in afternoon.

Oct 22 Clear & cool. hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon Paid 250 Dollars in bank owe 30 yet. Sam husked corn. Jake Coy & I staked out a house I want to build this fall yet. Lewis Dunlap Burried.

Oct 23 Clear & cool. made Nora a Slate. attended church had a good sermon. Parker called out a few minutes. Brother Jacob & wife took Diner with us.

Oct 24 Clear and fine weather as can be. Jacob Coy commenced Digging the cellar for a new house I am going to Build Down on the southwest corner of our land. Johny & I hauled brick & toward night hauled in what corn was husked.

Oct 25 Clear & pleasant. hauled brick. hauled in what corn Sam has husked. clouded up in evening and at 7 O'clock commenced to rain and is raining as I retire.

Oct 26 Cloudy with rain most of the night. worked in the cellar in forenoon. in afternoon helped Johny hull his walnuts. Sam husked a little corn.

Oct 27 Cloudy & wet. rained some last night. Sam & I cut some gum Sawlogs Down at Joel Hilliards in forenoon. in afternoon he husked corn & Johny & I hauled brick. rained a little about 4 O'clock. is cloudy at sunsett. Sold James Dixon 8000 brick for 7 Dollars per 1000.

Oct 28 Clear and a little hazy at times. 2 hands husking corn to Day. I made oven peb & coal rake. hauled brick & corn. are getting along well with our fall work.

Oct 29 Clear & fine this morning. hauled nothing but corn to Day. Bought Johny a pair of Boots cost 3 50/100 Doll. spent the evening in Town.

Oct 30 Cloudy & cool. wind in east. Blacksmithed most of the Day. Put a lock on the little wagon. attended church. rained considerable through the Day.

Oct 31 Cloudy & wet. shod 2 of our Horses with new shoes. Sam put our Potatoes that were stored in the Barn into the Cellar. we had but 30 bushels to put there. crop was short.

Nov 1 Clear & frosty. Sam is husking corn again to Day. Johny & I hauled brick to James Dixon and hauled in one load of corn.

Nov 2 Clear & cool but very pleasant weather. hauled brick & corn. Bought 75 lb of excellent Beef cost 11 cents per lb. Parker Pillsbury took supper & spent the evening with us.

Nov 3 Cloudy with heavy thunder & lightning in the night but no rain. cleared off without a Drop of rain falling here. hauled a load of Sand and 3 loads of brick besides one load of corn. Aunt Ann Townsend Died at 9 O'clock this morning of Palsie. she was an old Friend of ours.

Nov 4 Clear & cool but as pleasant weather as can be wished. Johny & I hauled 4 loads of Brick and then Sam & I finished hauling in our corn. we now have it all in.

Nov 5 Cloudy & wet having very unexpectedly clouded up and rained ever since midnight. intended to have hauled in our corn fodder to Day but it is now too wet. Sold Sam one of our Pigs. Brother Jesse & I attended the Funeral of Aunt Ann Townsend. a very large concourse of Friends followed her Remains to their final resting place near the northwest corner of Goshen Township where repose the most of her Old Friends who came at an early Day from Bucks County Penn and settled in that immediate neighborhood. only some 4 or 5 are now living and they expect soon to be laid by her Side.

Nov 6 Clear & as pleasant as can be. repaired our harness and attended Church. spent some time hunting a Bricklayer to build a flue but found none. cloudy at sundown.

Nov 7 Clear & warm. Jo Venable & Sam hauled in & stacked our Corn fodder. I made mortar hauled brick and built a scaffold and got everything ready to build a flue at the machine shop. Joel Sharp showed me Edwin Coppocks Commission for the office of Luetenant in John Browns Army. it was signed By John Brown himself as Comander in Chief. was used as evidence against Coppic at his Trial in Charlestown Virginia. was found among the archives of the Court and appropriated by Lawyer Blackburn. it is a relic of vast interest.

Nov 8 Clear & pleasant. Sam & I put in the Day making a Bridge as a way into the Brickyard & Sawmill. got it about Done.

Nov 9 Cloudy & cold with wind in northwest & cold. Sam hauled a load of Brick to John McMillen (600) and brot home a load of coal. in afternoon I got David Yengling to commence our flue at the machine shop. he got it about one half Done. Sam attended him with Brick & mortar.

Nov 10 Clear & cold. Sam & I finished our road into the Brickyard and hauled in 6 saw logs. got a letter from Ben Wilkins.

Nov 11 Clear & cool. shod charlie this morning and hauled stone. 10 loads of Stone

from Joseph Hilliards. as fine weather as can be.

Nov 12 Clear & pleasant. hauled 16 loads of stone to Day. will soon have enough for our cellar.

Nov 13 Clear & frosty but as fine weather as one could ask. got up at 6 O'clock walked out to John Pows farm to see Enos Hulet. want him to wall our cellar. he will be here on thursday morning. got back by breakfast time. called to see Dave Yengling. he will finish our flue in the morning. Peter Heitman came Down & took Hannah home with him. she will stay 2 or 3 weeks and then return to us. in the mien time Sam will Do the milking. I went up to machine shop & cut the hole ready for the flue.

Nov 14 Cloudy & wet. cold & wet all the forenoon. I took Jim & the Buggy traveled over a good part of Green Township in search of their Justice of the Peace but he had just left every place I called at. so after chasing him until about noon I concluded the fates were against me and I returned home. in afternoon Dave worked at the flue. Sam & I assisted what we could but Did not quite finish it. snowed a little about Dark.

Nov 15 Clear & beautiful out of Doors this morning with snow all gone except on the boards that are lying about. looks like & Doubtles will be pleasant weather for a few Days again.

Nov 16 took a load of Staves to Robinson (400 & some heading). from there we went Down to Thomas Vernons Sand bank & got a load of excellent Sand. in afternoon it clouded up and snowed hard but Sam hauled 3 loads of small stone from Hilliards notwithstanding. I spent the afternoon in Town. had a little chat with George Gibbs about his lot. want to Buy it if Possible.

Nov 17 Cloudy & cool. Sam hauled a load of coal in forenoon. in afternoon we hauled brick. Settled with Wm Jennings. he owed & Paid me 80 Dollars. I paid some of my Debts with a part of it.

Nov 18 Cloudy & cold with one inch of snow. stuck up our floor boards & covered them. Built a snug place for our small Pigs to sleep.

Nov 19 Cloudy and winter like out of Doors. Sam and I hauled Brick. snowed and stormed hard most of the time but we stuck to it and finished the job. I spent the evening in town. Paid Jake Coy 10 Dollars & Ira Moore 7 Dollars.

Nov 20 Cloudy with mild winter weather. attended church after which Nora & I walked Down to Father Goulbourns. took Diner returned by Dark.

Nov 21 Cloudy & a little warmer. got up at 5 O'clock. wrote a short letter to D C Day of Ravenna. Sam & I hauled brick all Day. got a grist of wheat ground. raw air all Day.

Nov 22 Cloudy & cool. Sam & I made mortar bed and broke stone in the Foundation of our cellar. Bought 8 bushels of lime. the masons expected to come on tomorrow but as it is raining at Dark I Do not expect them. rains & freezes is very Disagreeable out. Bought a pair of Eastern Boots cost 5 Dollars. Debby Henshilwood is with us this evening. is going to stay all night.

Nov 23 Cloudy with one inch of snow. commenced to rain about 5 O'clock on last evening. froze as it fell. this morning we have snow. Sam & I Blacksmithed all Day. Ironing our Carriage.

Nov 24 Cloudy with a little more snow. worked at our Carriage all Day. mild weather with mud plenty.

Nov 25 Clear and cool. ground froze hard. thawed a little through the Day. hauled 2 load of Brick to Mot Criger in forenoon. in afternoon repaired Barn yard pump and worked at Carriage.

Nov 26 Clear with weather just the Same. winter appears to have sett in. worked at Carriage in forenoon. in afternoon sold a few Brick & went to Town. Sam hauled in forenoon for Joel Stratton. in afternoon took Saw out to Tom Wilsons.

Nov 27 Clear & Pleasant. Sun Shone warm all Day. attended church after Diner. hunted up the Stone Masons. want to get my cellar walled as quick as Possible. inevening wrote a letter to William Hise. Roads as muddy as can be the snow having all melted.

Nov 28 Clear & Pleasant this morning. up at 5 O'clock. 2 stone masons came on this morning and commenced walling up the Cellar. Sam hauled Sand all Day. got along fine.

Nov 29 Cloudy & warm. worked at the cellar until 4 O'clock PM when it got too wet. rained considerable in afternoon. very Disagreeable. some colder. I went to Town. came home at 7 O'clock with Joel McMillen. roads are as muddy as can well be.

Nov 30 Clear & frosty. got up early. took the 3 O'clock Train for Alliance. arrived at 1/2 past 4. walked out to Ridgeway Haines. got breakfast came back into town. walked out to Peter Heitmans. from there to the Depot where I met D C Day to whom I have to pay about 9 Hundred Dollars Bail Money. we made no Definite arrangement about. he wants Big interest and I wont Pay it if I can help it. came home at 2 O'clock. made cellar window frames.

Dec 1 Clear & frosty but thawed out complete. stone mason still at work at the cellar. Sam & I hauled stone Boards and sawed one tree Down. David Yengling with wife & children visit us. are going to stay all night.

Dec 2 Clear & warm. froze none last night. got the Cellar nearly walled. Sam had to go for another load of Sand. in afternoon we hauled boards up to planing mill. I finishedthe

window frames & cut sawlogs.

Dec 3 Clear & most delightful weather. hauled in & sawed our sills & gunder. have the Cellar Sone and intend to build the house as soon as possible. Paid stone mason 10 Dollars.

Dec 4 Clear & warm for time of year. Drew a Draft of the house. attended Church. in afternoon laid out some of the frame for house. Joel & Sarah McMillen spent the evening with us.

Dec 5 Clear & some cloudy at intervals. at time the Sun shone as pleasant as in April but toward night it clouded up. thundered quite heavy at 1/2 past 4 PM. blowed a hurricane and hailed and Rained hard but only for a few minutes. the rain soon ceased altogether but wind continued to Blow most of the evening. Sam & I framed at the Sills of house. Parker Pillsbury took supper & spent the evening with us. I was absent on special Business.

Dec 6 Cloudy & rough but not cold. snowed a very little but showed none on the ground. finished framing our Sills and met Margaret & Nora at Father Goulbourns for Diner. he is 82 years of age to Day. is rather poorly in health but is much better to Day than he frequently is. we came home by 4 O'clock. cleared off and is very pleasant at sun sett. Margaret has gone to the Debate on Womans rights held in Town Hall to night. Nora is asleep on the couch made of 3 chairs while I am scribbling it Down to wile away the hour.

Dec 7 Cloudy and warm. helped on the Sawmill getting out the frame for the house. rained most of the afternoon but I framed some of the joice under the brick shed.

Dec 8 Cloudy & a little colder. put the Sills on the cellar wall and got the lower joice in. framed the corner posts. Sam helped on the mill and hauled lumber etc etc. ground is froze some at Sundown.

Dec 9 Cloudy but mild Pleasant weather. helped Joseph Johnson cut Sawlogs in forenoon. in afternoon we hauled them in. one of them was very heavy.

Dec 10 Clear & very pleasant all Day. Sam & Johny hauled brick. I assisted Jo Johnson on the mill all Day. got my frame about all Sawed. spent the evening at Trimbles.

Dec 11 Cloudy and a little cooler. framed at my house until about meeting time. Ham Howel called out to get some information in regard to taking out a Patent on a machine he has invented to sharpen Horse shoes without taking them off of the foot. will make quite a Revolution in shoeing as any teamster can rough his own Horse. commenced raining at 1/2 past 10 O'clock but I went to church notwithstanding. I cannot think of missing one of our Rich Discourses. on my return I found Thomas Bennett (Hannahs Brother) here. Jo Johnson called over got me to iron a singletree and make him a hog hook. Raining and

freezing as it falls at 4 O'clock PM.

Dec 12 Cloudy & mild with plenty of mud. framed some at the house. Sam helped Jo Johnson on the mill & hauled sone load of casing brick up Town. brot home some Spikes & a few lbs of beef. Dark & muddy as can be when I came home at 8 O'clock.

Dec 13 Cloudy with weather about the Same. hauled board to Levi Straghleys to make our window frames. he will make them soon. Sam hauled brick up to Samuel Fawcetts. I framed at the House. have it nearly completed.

Dec 14 Cloudy & cool. Sam covered our sills & lower joice over with boards to keep the snow out of the cellar & hauled the frame Down from the brick shed. in afternoon we raised the house. all went together complete. have an excellent frame. snowed a little all Day.

Dec 15 Cloudy with roads frozen some but not enough to bear up. sold E Murphy 2 of our Turkeys. finished raising house. spiked the Plates down to their place. repaired our watering trough. froze a little all Day. winter is setting in very moderately.

Dec 16 Cloudy & cool. ground froze sufficient to bear up. hauled 300 brick to Daniel Koll. from there we went Down to Coal Shaft. Bough one hundred bushels of coal & Sam hauled it all home. I repaired a bridle & sat around the fire most of the Day. bought a pair of excellent Carriage shafts.

Dec 17 Cloudy & mild winter weather. Sam & I ripped out some flooring up at the Sash Factory. snowed some through the Day. Paid Jacob Coy one Dollar & 40 cents Ballance I owed him for digging cellar. Roads very Rough. Benj Harris Died.

Dec 18 Cloudy with weather moderate. about one inch of snow Down. all of us attended meeting. had an excellent Discourse. spent the ballance of the Day Sitting by the fire. at Dark it is quite moderate and feels like Raining.

Dec 19 Cloudy & moderate winter weather. ground is frozen hard enough to bear up the wagon. Sam & I hauled brick until noon when it commenced to snow and continued most of the afternoon. settled with Edwin Smith for our inside blinds. his billwas $60.90 while mine was $6025. Paid him the 65 cents. Spent the evening up town but came home early.

Dec 20 Cloudy with weather about the Same. worked in shop to Day. worked the Coal from the Salem Shaft upper vein. found quite good coal. went up town toward evening and invited some of our Friends to spend Christmas with us. snowed some this afternoon but no sleighing yet.

Dec 21 Cloudy and very cold this morning. Mercury Down to within 8 Dregrees of Zero. Blacksmithed a little. Paid the Stone Mason 7 35/100 Doll. Sam hauled a laod of coal to David Yengling. cold all Day. got Nora a pair of nice shoes of John Callahan. sold a lot

(No 8) to Stephen Adams. he Paid 10 Dollars on it.

Dec 22 Cloudy & cold. Sam went for coal but got none. hauled a load of Saw Dust & Boards to the machine shop. very cold weather now.

Dec 23 Cloudy & very cold. Sam hauled 2 loads of Coal to Mr Shank. I repaired Noras Toy Table in forenoon. in afternoon went out to John Gordons and invited them to spend Christmas with us. came home past "pine hollow" intending to get a tree for Christmas but could not get one without climbing higher than I felt like. spent the evening at home. stuck close to the fire.

Dec 24 Cloudy & very cold. 4 Degrees below Zero. Bough a Barrel of Salt cost 2 40/100 Doll. hauled a load of flooring home. Met Hannah at the Depot and brot her out home at noon.

Dec 25 Cloudy & cold. attended church. brot a good crowd home with us (viz) Parker Pillsbury Mr Pike the celebrated geologist & Debater Thomas Sharp & wife John Gordon and wife Marius R Robinson & wife John Clemens & wife Joel McMillen & wife which together with our own family made quite a crowd. all Dispersed in the evening each one to his & her home congratulating one another for the social blessing afforded on the occasion. hoping we may all live to repeat the exchange of sentiments many times. I Dismiss the subject and retire. James Tolerton Burried to Day. he was past 93 years of age when he Died.

Dec 26 Cloudy with weather a little moderated and a little more snow this morning. spent the Day recleaning our wheat and putting it in the Bin. had 70 Bushels with about 50 bushels of Old wheat on hand. feel that without an accident we shall not want for Bread soon. cleaned out the Parlor and made Bedroom of it for the children as it is quite too cold to go to bed without fire. they can now be comfortable which is allI care for now. had a severe snow storm about 8 O'clock but Did not last long. weather moderated a little but is not yet very cold.

Dec 27 Cloudy & very cold this morning. can Do but little except to sit by the fire. went Down to Moores Coal bank and engaged all the coal we can haul this winter. Bought Voltaires Dictionary a favorite work with me cost 5 Dollars. Joel McMillen sent for it to Boston. Margaret & Nora visited at John Demings. moderated some.

Dec 28 Cloudy & some little warmer. Bought a Rasp & 2 butcher knives cost 150 cents. in afternoon I hauled a load of coal (30) bushels to the Boiler yard. Sam is absent to Day has one of the Horses with him. snowed a little in afternoon and at Dark is some colder with wind in north.

Dec 29 Cloudy and cold. spent the forenoon in town. in afternoon hauled a load of coal. Parker Pillsbury took Tea and spent the evening with us. was glad to have him Do so as he is an especial favorite with us "with such as he where ever he be". may I be blest or

Damned". Sam returned this evening.

Dec 30 Cloudy & cold. stormed and snowed hard all Day. Sam and I worked in shop until noon when he went for a load of Coal through all the storm but was soon back again. I blacksmithed all Day. Snow is Drifted very much.

Dec 31 Cloudy & considerable warmer. Blacksmithed in forenoon. spent the afternoon in Town. Sam hauled a load of coal for ourselves. Borrowed 18 lb of Beef of Joseph Johnson. will pay him back when we butcher our Beef. snowed some and turned a little colder.

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Jan 1 Cloudy & moderated some. is right good Sleighing. we all attended church went in the Sleigh. must get ready to Butcher in the morning.

Jan 2 Cloudy and warm. Jo Venable & Charles Grizell helped us Butcher. got Done by noon. cut them all up and put them in the cellar. in evening we cut the lard all up and have it ready to try out. turned colder at sunsett. wind in northwest and cold.

Jan 3 Cloudy & cold. Sam hauled 2 loads of Coal. I shod the horses and Done some other schores. sold coal etc etc. got a West Liberty Paper (Iowa).

Jan 4 Cloudy & cold. pretty good Sleighing. got our Sleds out of Barn and Repaired them up complete. took me all Day. Mark Lyons is with us to night. got our sausage meet cut & lard all tried out.

Jan 5 Cloudy & cool with wind in Southwest blowing fresh. turned warmer & thawed considerable in afternoon. Mark took Diner with us after which he & I went to Town where I spent the ballance of the Day. Shod Jim in forenoon. Mahlon Allison Died this morning of Heart Disease. George Atkinson burried.

Jan 6 Cloudy and a little cooler. very fine winter. Sam & I cut some sawlogs in forenoon. in afternoon Sam hauled a load of coal & I Done nothing. Mahlon Allison Buried by the Odd Fellows. roads are excellent now.

Jan 7 Cloudy with mild winter weather. hauled a load of brick and a load of wood in forenoon. in afternoon Sam hauled a load of coal to Mahlon Kirkbride. I shelled our corn at the Buckeye mill. was about all the work I Done. Paid Stephen Adams one Dollar on account.

Jan 8 Cloudy and more snow with a little more falling as I write. pretty good Sleighing now. I have Done the feeding now as Sam is absent this morning having gone home with Thomas Walker last evening. attend church. had a sermon on the Holiness of the Sabbath Day. it appeared no hollier than any other Day.

Jan 9 Cloudy & cold. god sleighing. Sam & I hauled a load of wheat Straw to Milton Smith in forenoon. in afternoon he hauled a load of coal. I shod Old Mike then hitched Jim to the Sleigh & took Nora & Margaret over to grandfather Goulbourns. Did not stay long. spent the evening up Town. got Johns boots 1/2 soled.

Jan 10 Cloudy & cold. Sam & I hauled in 4 gum logs in forenoon. in afternoon Sam hauled coal. I cleaned up one corner of the Sash Factory to put in our Boards.

Jan 11 Cloudy & warm. Sledding is gone up this morning. Sam hauled a load of coal in

the Sleds & I hauled in 5 gum logs all we had. went out to Sam Frenchs to buy sawlogs. Sam & I hauled a load of Straw and a load of Sawdust. roads are getting sloppy.

Jan 12 Clear & warm. hauled 2 loads of Brick & loads of coal. Roads very muddy. got Jehu Strawn to count up the interest on my account against the Baptist Church. he made it to amount to 382 34/100 Doll. Milton Smith Paid me 9 52/100 Doll for Straw. George Trimble Paid me 10.00 for 2 pigs. I Paid Sam 3.40 cts.

Jan 13 Clear & warm mercury 62 Degrees. walked out to Sam Frenchs and showed Lawsen Harper what trees to cut into Saw logs. stopped in to Joseph Saxons a short time. got home about One O'clock. framed rafters in afternoon. Sam hauled one load of coal. roads intolerable muddy. Sold Lavern Webb a load of Brick.

Jan 14 Cloudy & warm. framed some at the house. hauld Sam Fawcett a load of brick. Sam hauled one load of coal. Roads as muddy as can be and weather warm. Bought 12 yards of muslin at 14 cents per yard.

Jan 15 Cloudy warm & wet. Sam is absent this morning having got married on the Sly last thursday night to Anne Hoops Daughter of Israel Barber and widow of Marshall Hoops. Borrowed E Murphys wagon & Margaret Sis & I rode up to meeting. from there we got Emly Robinson into the wagon & she & Margaret & Sis went out to John Gordons & I walked out. Marius Robinson & Anne Clark rode out in the Gordons buggy. Roads as muddy as they well can be. had a pleasant visit tho short. got home about Dark. is a little colder at bedtime.

Jan 16 Cloudy & considerable cooler. ground froze a little. repaired our Barnyard fence & hauled boards to sash Factory. hard roads. growed gradually colder all Day. Paid Hannah one Dollar.

Jan 17 Cloudy and cool. ground froze hard. hauled the Ballance of our Boards Down to sash Factory. took all Day to Do it. thawed some and melted the knobs off in the roads. got a letter from Charlie Jobes saying his Brother Andrew wanted to work for me this sumer. I wrote to him asking him to come Down.

Jan 18 Cloudy & cool. I went out to Jo Saxons in forenoon To show the log cutters what to cut. Sam hauled one thousand brick to Sumner Sterns in forenoon. in afternoon he went for coal & got none. I Done nothing. got a letter from D C Day and one from George Hise.

Jan 19 Cloudy & cool. pleasant winter weather. hauled a load of Timber for George Martin in forenoon. in afternoon he & I rolled in 3 large logs with the horses and hauled one load of brick to Sumner Stearns. thawed a little.

Jan 20 Cloudy & moderate winter. some one knocked at the Door before light. on opening who should be there but William Mercer of Philadelphia. we were all surprised to

see him. Sam hauled manure from Town. I Done but little of anything.

Jan 21 Cloudy & cool. got Jehu Strawn to survey & platt our Brickyard. must sell it out. Sam hauled 2 loads of coal. growed colder towards night. some excitement in town about a change of Post Masters.

Jan 22 Cloudy & cold with a little snow. all hands attended church. Parker Delivered his lecture on the French Revolution and a masterly Peice it is. had a good Audience. Margaret Nora & I spent a few hours quite agreeably at Joels. came home at 7 PM. Wm Mercer is with us and right welcome he is.

Jan 23 Cloudy with one inch of Snow and more falling. continued to fall most of the Day. we repaired our Harness being too stormy to work out of Doors. Delivered my Patent papers to henry King. he will see what the can Do in getting the R Road to adopt it.

Jan 24 Cloudy with plenty of snow. I hauled in ten Saw logs to Williamsons mill. Sam hauled 2 loads of coal. fine winter weather as can be.

Jan 25 Cloudy & cold. fine winter this morning as can be. I hauled logs and Sam hauled one load of coal. Wm Mercer took the Cars for Columbus Ohio. in evening I made some Dubbin for Boot grease.

Jan 26 Cloudy with considerable more snow. I put a lock on my sleds. Done it up at Jesses. Sam hauled 2 loads of coal. Sleighing Pretty good.

Jan 27 Cloudy & cold. Sam hauled 2 loads of coal. I rode Green Township in search of a Justice of the Peace but as usual found none. he was absent at Lisbon. called on the Clerk of the Township (Wilhelm) who accompanied me as the Sleighing is good. got home in good time but quite cold.

Jan 28 Cloudy & cold. plenty of snow and Sleighing excellent. Sam got but one load of coal to. I spent the Day in Town righting up financial affairs. got along pretty well. snowed considerable toward evening.

Jan 29 Cloudy & cold. very pleasant winter weather. after meeting we all took Diner with Brother Jacob after which Margaret & I went out to John Gordons and spent the evening. fine sleighing snow softens.

Jan 30 Cloudy and a little warmer. got up early and wrote a letter to D C Day of Ravenna. Done the feeding as Sam is absent after which I went out to Jo Saxons & hauiled in 7 Sawlogs. got back by 3 O'clock. found Sam still absent. Done the feeding & will now get ready to go to Alliance to attend the Celebration of Thomas Paines Birthday. started at 6 O'clock returned at 11 same evening. some 500 Persons participated.

Jan 31 Cloudy & warm. snow is melting fast. Sam is still absent. I shod Charlie & Ned.

called out to see Parker Pillsbury a few minutes. while with him he showed me some Daisies he plucked in Voltaires garden some Rye & other vegitation he pulled on the Field of Waterloo a small twig with leaves from Kirk Aloway Scotland celebrated as one of the scenes in "Tam O Shanter" and also some Ivy from some ancient ruins in England over whose crumbling arches it climbed to the heith of 75 feet where he plucked it with his own hands. how much I enjoy such things is beyond my ability to say. Elmer (Dog) came home after an absence of 3 Days.

Feb 1 Cloudy & some cooler. Wm Taylor Butchered our beef in forenoon. in afternoon I hauled a load of coal. thawed a little but the roads are Pretty good. Aunt Mary Gee visited this afternoon.

Feb 2 Cloudy with ground frozen a little. found Wm Mercer here this morning having returned at midnight. he & I cut up our Beef. I hooped the meat tub and got it ready to salt the beef in but as the weather turned colder concluded to keep it fresh while we can. this is ground hog Day and as he would see his shadow we are to have six weeks of cold weather yet. Sam was back for some of clothes and some money both of which he got. his wife has the fever.

Feb 3 Cloudy & cold. ground froze hard this morning. I hauled one load of stone coal. went to Meades bank for it and took it to Charles Boone. hauled Joel Stratton one and a half cords of excellent fine wood at three Dollars and fifty cents per cord. Edwin Hise Drove the team.

Feb 4 Clear & cold but soon clouded up and thawed none. roads are excellent. Edwin hauled two loads of coal. Johny Shepperd and I hauled one thousand brick in forenoon. he Played and I loafed about town the Ballance of the Day.

Feb 5 Clear & cold. attended church. Nora & I Margaret Did not go. Geo & Ben Trimble called over. we had a good talk. Walkers girls were here also. cold all Day.

Feb 6 Clear & very cold. Sis started to Pittsburgh to spend a week. hauled brick to coal Shaft with two teams in forenoon. in afternoon Sam went for a load of coal. roads excellent. G B Purdy paid me 750 all he owed me.

Feb 7 Clear & cold. one team hauled coal the other brick. clouded and snowed at 6 O'clock. I went out to Lewis Williamsons Saw Mill and marked my logs. roads some Dry & Dusty. a little snow will make sledding.

Feb 8 Cloudy & cold with ground covered with snow. Sam haued 2 loads of coal. Ed & I hauled brick. thawed some. snow about all gone. sold Aaron Wilson our apples for 75 cts per bushel.

Feb 9 Cloudy & warmer. rained some but is too cold to rain much. shod Charlie behind. Sam got but one load of coal. I spent the Day in Town Doing nothing. turned colder and

at 6 O'clock is freezing hard. Election for Esq to Day. R H Garrigues & James Bronson the candidates the latter colored. Garrigues was elected by a large majority.

Feb 10 Clear & cold. hauled our winter apples up town. sold them to Scott Wilson for 75 cts per bushel. they rot so much will not do to keep them. spent most of the afternoon in Town. Wm Mercer started at 11 O'clock PM for home. thawed a little but froze again.

Feb 11 Cloudy & cold. ground froze up hard again this morning. helped Ed Hise haul up his clover hay to Joshua Holloway and spent the ballance of the Day in Town. was Down to the Shaft to see the coal that came out of the second vein (they having struck it a Day or two since. I fear it is not as good as they had hoped to find it. commenced to snow about 4 O'clock PM and at bedtime is 2 inches deep. Sis returned at 2 O'clock. we did not look for her before evening. Sam hauled 2 loads of coal to Day.

Feb 12 Cloudy & cold with a pretty good snow Down. attended church. Snowed fast for a couple of hours in middle of the Day. Brother Jacob took Diner with us. Jeremiah Saxons wife Died this morning.

Feb 13 Cloudy & cool. Edwin & I hauled 3 large maple logs from Mrs Watterworths to Sharps Sawmill. took us about all Day. Sam hauled 2 loads of coal. Sleighing excellent.

Feb 14 Cloudy & coold. Ed & I hauled the clover hay back that he & I hauled to Joshua Holloways. he said his cow would not eat it so we hauled back. we then went out to Jo Saxons and hauled in one large Sugar log and brought a nice wild cherry log home with us from Samuel Frenchs. I spent the ballance of the afternoon at the Buckeye. Edward Kennett Died this morning.

Feb 15 Clear & cold this morning but will evidently thaw to Day. Ed & I hauled in two more cherry logs the last one in the mud as it turned much warmer toward night. Sam hauled two loads of coal to ourselves.

Feb 16 Cloudy & warmer. froze but little last night. this is the 14th anniversary of our moving to our present home (on the farm). Ed & I took a grist of 8 bushels of wheat to Hayes Mill. hung up our meat and loafed about town awhile. thawed enough to make the roads sloppy but the wagoning is yet good. wrote a letter to Lu Yondell of Canton.

Feb 17 Cloudy with mud frozen up this morning. I worked all Day at the Sash factory. Sam got but one load of coal and one load of slack to Day. warmer and raining at Dark.

Feb 18 Cloud warmer & wet. rained all night but there some ice yet. looks like breaking up. went to Sash factory to finish my flooring but myhelp did not come. I came home mended and greased my Boots and went to Town & spent the afternoon. Paid Hannah 2 Dollars. turned cold and at sun down is again froze up. Sam hauled one load of Coal.

Feb 19 Cloudy & some colder than yesterday morning. Nora & I attended church. Mr

Pike spoke to Day. Delivered a very good Discourse on the idolatry of the Christian church. Drew a Design for a monument for Edwin Coppock one of the Heroes of Harpers Ferry.

Feb 20 Cloudy with mild winter weather. helped all Day at the Sash Factory. got our flooring nearly worked. Sam hauled some manure & 3 loads of boards home. quite pleasant all Day. a little mud but roads are still good. Tacy Wilson an Old Maiden Died to Day. she has been a citizen of Salem many years. She at one time possesed considerable wealth but has Divided it with the unfortunate Portion of Humanity. she spent her entire time for the last 20 years in visiting the poor and releiving their wants to the best of her ability. none will be more missed than She. She has the Reputation of refusing the hand of Simeon Jennings in marriage in her youthful Days thus proving that money getting was not her object in life as he was worth hundreds of thousands of Dollars at the time & Died worth a million while she had retained but a few thousand and Doubtless this is to be Distributed among the neighboring Poor while his is being Divided around among those that were well enough off without it and serves as a bone of contention among his heirs (he Died childless) who so dull as not to see the superior wisdom of her choice. long will her memory be cherished by the Poor while his & his money will be forgotten together.

Feb 21 Cloudy with one inch of snow this morning. finished working our floor boards and hauled them all home. stripped some Plotting off the Kiln. measured the field rented last year to Louis Schilling etc etc.

Feb 22 Cloudy & cold. ground froze hard this morning. Sam & I hauled brick to Rail Road. thawed and is considerable warmer toward night. Monroe Matthews Buried with honors of War.

Feb 23 Cloudy & warmer. hauled one load of brick and one load of Coal and a load of manure. Harriet Arner and her Father visited us in evening. I Settled with William Pidgeon. he owed me 71 82/100 Dollars. will not freeze to night.

Feb 24 Cloud warm and muddy. wind blowed hard all Day. I finished framing the Rafters for the house. stuck up the gum boards. Sam hauled 2 loads of coal. mud is drying up fast.

Feb 25 Clear & warm as may day. took 16 bushel of wheat to Hayes mill. Roads is very bad so much so that Sam could haul but one load of coal and then had to Double team with Yerkes Howel. heard this evening that Susan B Anthony is to lecture to night but the roads are so bad an Margaret Does not feel able to walk therefore we have concluded to stay at home.

Feb 26 Cloudy with cooler air but not unpleasant. Margaret & I attended church. Parker Delivered his farewell Sermon on the mysteries of Religeon in which he out did himself after which we went up to Marius Robinson where we met a host of Friends and such a

time as we had cannot be beat. "Mirth rushed in with fearful Strides with laughter holding both he sides". in the evening I attended a lecture by Mr Pike. feels & looks like falling weather. go late to bed.

Feb 27 Cloudy with one inch of snow down and more falling. looks like mid winter out of Doors this morning. Sam & I worked in blacksmith shop until 3 O'clock. at 4 Margaret Nora & I walked over to Thomas Sharps where we spent the evening with a number of Friends Parker Pillsbury Mr Pike & Lady Joel & Sarah McMillen etc. snowed very fast as we were going out but as we returned it was cool & Pleasant.

Feb 28 Clear. Sam & I worked in shop until noon. finished ironing our Carriage in afternoon. we went up to Tyle works and tore Cars to peices intending to use the proceeds to shingle on as they will make good lath.

Mar 1 Clear & pleasant with high wind and a little rain last night. finished Slitting our lath and hauled them home. in afternoon we pulled out Stumps. got along first rate.

Mar 2 Cloud warm & wet. worked in shop all Day. Sam is Doing nothing this afternoon. he has the tooth ache.

Mar 4 lost a Day. Cloudy & colder. ground is frozen some this morning. hauled the Rafters & other lumber over frame the mill to the new house in forenoon. in afternoon Sam trimmed appletrees. I Done some schores in Town and then went Down to Father Goulbourns this being the 52nd aniversary of his & Mothers wedding. they were both past 30 when married and are now both past 83 and enjoying good health except that Father has occasional attacks of Dispepsie.

Mar 5 Clear & pleasant at sunrise but soon clouded up but sun shone occasionally and was quite pleasant most of the Day. to Day Mr F E Abbott of Toledo Ohio. spoke in the Broad Gauge. he is evidently an earnest and well informed man. I was much pleased with him. he spoke in evening also and gave I think entire Satisfaction. I sent by him for the first volume of the Index of which he is the Editor. Levi Staghley called and spent an hour or two with us gratifying to us all.

Mar 6 Cloudy & cool wind from northwest. Sam is absent again to Day. expect his wife is sick. I finished Margarets wheelbarrow that I commenced several years ago. quite a light one but will bear up all she can wheel. sun is shining at noon and is real pleasant. spent a portion of the afternoon in Town to but little purpose. Clear & cold at 9 O'clock PM.

Mar 7 Clear & pleasant. ground froze sollid this morning. Sam still absent. I have written to Georgetown for another hand (Oliver Shively). helpedsaw a few boards. spent some time at the Coal Shaft and at the Buckeye. got a letter from Sis Wait saying their house was likely to be sold appealing to me for another thousand Dollars. I have no more money to spend in that way having already Paid 1500 Dollars for her.

Mar 8 Cloudy & pleasant. wrote Sis Wait a letter that caused me pain. Ed Hise & I hauled 2 loads of sand to Town. I am very poorly having taken a severe cold. Dont know how I got it. Andrew Stanly (son of James) buried to Day. Settled with Lewis Schilling. he owed and paid me 14 20/100 Doll.

Mar 9 Cloudy & windy. hauled brick to Coal Shaft with both teams but in afternoon was so wet we hauled but one trip. got wet at that. cold rain. cleared up some about sun sett and at 8 O'clock is starlight. Received by Mail a Bound volume of the Index Published in the interest of True Religeon (at Toledo Ohio.

Mar 10 Cloudy and moderate. roads slippy but soon dried off as the Sun came out. hauled brick with both teams. Sam commenced again today. he has a lame Shoulder that disabled him three Days of this week.

Mar 11 Cloudy but very Pleasant. hauled brick with both teams. very pleasant with roads Dry but very Rutty and rough. Paid Sam ten Dollars. Samuel Fawcett gave me a verbal order to Daniels & Strattons for 37 83/100 Doll worth of Siding. this will get about enough for the House I am building.

Mar 12 Cloudy and some colder with a little Rain and is frozen. soon snowed some but melted as it fell but at noon is clear & pleasant. made a very nice litttle walnut cradle for Robt Justices little Daughter. went over to Paschall Seeds to see if I could get him to help me a few Days. he will come soon in a Dayor two. Elmer (Dog) caught a muskrat on our way over there.

Mar 13 Cloudy & cooler. ground froze a little this morning. Sam & I Pulled stumps in forenoon. got them about all out. in afternoon I hauled 1576 feet of siding here from lumber yard. Samuel Fawcett bought it for me. paid his brick bill. at noon Oliver Shively (our new hand) came on to work. he & Sam Boated Stumps in afternoon. I went up town toward evening. Bought a Doll for little Mattie Justice and a quart of Onion sets for ourselves.

Mar 14 Cloudy with weather much the Same. ground froze a little this morning. Bought 3 lb of butter and a little iron. Sold one thousand brick to go to Waterford. George Pow Died to Day aged 72 years. Sam started the Plow in afternoon. turned up the Sod about right. rained a little some thunder.

Mar 15 Cloudy & warm with considerable thunder last night. hauled one thousand brick to the Station and 4000 shingles back with us. moved Noras Play House over into the grove. very windy. Sam is Plowing sod. weather fine as can be. Paid Hannah 5 Dollars.

Mar 16 Cloudy & warm. Paschall Seeds came on this morning and he & I worked at the House. Samuel Grove came on to bore out fountain logs. Hannah went to Alliance leaving Margaret alone at a busy moment but she had made arrangements to go not

thinking of us having such a family. all went on smoothly however.

Mar 17 Cloudy & wet this morning. all hands worked at the Fountain. wet all Day but towards night it ceased raining and turned a little colder. very muddy around the Barn where we are at work. John Youngs board Kiln burned worth $500.

Mar 18 Cloudy with some frost this morning. will be no rain to Day. Paskall Sam & I Raised the rafters on our house by noon. Sam loafed in afternoon. Pack & I put in gable end studding. Grove got the logs bored and joints made by noon. about one half of the logs are in. we will put the ballance in ourselves. Paid him 10 Dollars owe him 2 37/100 yet. weather fine all Day.

Mar 19 Clear & pleasant. made a trellus for Raspberries and wrote a letter to Reynolds Steen & Co of 41 Wood Street Pittsburgh. want them to get & send me a glass Chamber to put in a pump. Margaret & Sis took Charlie & Buggy over to Father Goulbourns. Margaret stayed to help take care of Hollie Gee who is just now very sick.

Mar 20 Cloudy and warm. Paschall Seeds & I worked at the house. got along fine. hired another Carpenter to assist us. is coming tomorrow. towards evening went up to Buckeye Machine shop. Sold them all the brick I have for 6 87/100 Doll per thousand 12 1/2 cents under price but would much rather take that in a lump than to retail them out. filled up the Ditch Dug to put in fountain logs.

Mar 21 Cloudy with a little rain last night. helped the Carpenters. turned considerable colder. will freeze some to night. expect we shall loose our fruit this year. Sow has 13 fine pigs but expect she will kill some of them she is so large. Ed Hise took 16 bushel of wheat to mill & brot himself a load of coal.

Mar 22 Clear & splendid weather. cleared off warm and is as warm as one could wish this time of year. 3 of us at work at the House. got along fine.

Mar 23 Clear at sunrise but in west looks like Indian Sumer. 2 Carpenters at work at the house. I could not help much to Day. bought a Keg of 8 Penny nails. took a few brick to town & Done Schores. repaired Plow Doubletres and made 6 new buttchains. Started 2 plows.

Mar 24 Cloudy & cool. a very little snow but soon Disapeared. no Carpenters there to Day. went to mill and brot up the Flour and Distributed it among our Carpenters and Edwin Hise got 170 pounds. made woodwork of Harrow. 2 Plows running this afternoon. (Broke one).

Mar 25 Clear & warm. as Pleasant a Day as one could wish. hauled 2 loads of brick shingles etc. the Carpenters got along well to Day. will soon have our house enclosed. Mr Suliot burried to Day. I Did not know of his Funeral until it was over.

Mar 26 Cloudy & cool but little indications of Rain. Margaret & I attended church. Mr Vickers of Cincinnatti Delivered a splendid lecture at 11 - 7 O'clock. Rained slow all the afternoon & evening. is cold & raw.

Mar 27 Cloudy & cool. snowed a little. Sam & I worked in the Shop. Ironed our new harrow. worked hard and am tired at night. roads a little slipery.

Mar 28 Cloudy & cool. hauled brick to Coal Shaft & manure from Town with both teams. I worked some at a new Cart bed I have to make for one of my Carts. Nora sewed carpet rags for Aunt Mary Hise for which she received 3 cents the first money she ever earned and she is in extacies over it. cool all Day.

Mar 29 Clear & cool at sunrise but soon clouded up but was pleasant working all Day. we got the Roof half on. stripped casing off of the Kiln. moved some of our wood.

Mar 30 Cloudy and moderate weather. all hands worked at the Roof to Day. got it on. growed a little colder towards night. ground is yet too wet to plow.

Mar 31 Clear & cool but sun is shining. Pleasant at 7 O'clock. both teams Plowing to Day. I walked Down to Franklin Square and collected a little money. walked back over the high ridge to Wm McCrakens and from there up the creek Past and along the west side of Sells Dam at the head of which I pulled up 3 small hemlock bushes and transplanted them. Setttle with and Paid Isaac Middough for carpentering at our new house. worked some at my Cart bed.

Apr 1 Cloudy & a little mist falling. Sam & Johnytore out the ice house. want the Brick for cellar. Oliver moved Middough in forenoon. in afternoon all three took Down Casing. I spent the whole Day in Town. Borrowed one thousand Dollars of Tacy & Sarah England for which I pay 6 per cent (& tax) interest. Jehu Strawn Paid me 300 Dollars on account of Baptist Church. I put it all in Bank. got my new jeans suit.

Apr 2 Clear & most Delightful this forenoon. in afternoon clouded up and grew a little cooler. got the frame of my Cart body Done. it is substantial. took a walk in afternoon Down to Hilliards clearing. rained some before I got back.

Apr 3 Cloudy & threatens rain but we sowed one field of Oats in forenoon. got it about harrowed before it rained but finished it in the rain. I Settled with Samuel Chessman. Paid him 459 58/100 owe him 371 Dollars yet. Peter Ward took Diner with us. hauled one load of Brick to town. Johny went to mill. made 2 trips & got the grist. raining & wet when Sis comes home at 1/2 past 6.

Apr 4 Clean and cool. ground frozen some this morning with considerable white frost. hauled 3 loads of brick to Town. moved 2 of our evergreen trees. took a load of boards down to Thomas Vernons Sand bank to make a Platform on which to sift Sand. brot a small load home with us. Jacob Coy is helping me.

Day missed

Cloudy & cooler. two teams plowing. I went Down in forenoon to Thomas Vernons Sand bank and finished the Platform. came home by the Station. met D C Day of Ravenna went with him to the Bank and there Paid him 801 31/100 of Dollars (Bail money for E G Wait). spent the afternoon in Town. Jerry Lacy Paid me 15 Dollars for brick. rained a little in evening.

Apr 5 Cloudy & cool. both hands putting in Oats. I Paid Mr Hays one Hundred Dollars for Peter Ward. in afternoon hauled one load of Sand and made some mortar. warm all Day.

Apr 6 Clear & warm. Ed commenced the chimney in new house. I made mortar but Ed face hurt him so bad he was forced to quit. finished sowing oats & Charles Grisell sowed the grass seed.

Apr 7 Clear & warm. Oliver & I helped Pidgeon raise his shed poles in forenoon. in afternoon he built Dam & I worked at the Cart.

Apr 9 Cloudy and warm. Ed worked some at the chimney. I attended him and Painted some at the house. no rain yet. the ground is getting dry.

Apr 10 Clear & a little cooler. clouded up and a little mist fell but soon cleared off and remained warm all Day. Oliver made some garden. I worked some at the house & Done schores. Sam finished sowing Joel Strattons Oats and then went to Trimbles to Plow his truck Patches.

Apr 11 Cloudy at sunrise. rained a little. laid the Dust is about all. cleared off and is Delightful weather. I finished my Cart and Done various Schores. have plenty to keep me out of mischief. Parker Pillsbury visited took tea & spent the evening with us. considerable colder at 9 O'clock PM.

Apr 12 Clear & cool with stiff freeze from northwest. hauling brick. Planting Potatoes etc. I laid some of the floor in new house. bought a tree of Hugh Stewart gave him 2 Dollars for it.

Apr 13 Clear & cool. laid some floor. Oliver helped Jacob Coy get fence posts. hauled brick & manure. Sam is working at the Potatoe patch. repairing fences etc etc. John Baker brot and order for brick and spent an hour.

Apr 14 Clear & cool with considerable frost. helping Jacob Coy fence his lot. some is hauling brick some plowing for Potatoes. laid some floor & put up some partition.

Apr 15 Clear & cool with frost. laid some floor. loaded bricks. in afternoon Sam & I

cut posts took them to Town & sett them in the ground for sand house. Oliver went home at noon. Paid him 10 Dollars & lent him Jim to Ride.

Apr 16 Clear & cool. Painted some. attended church. called out to Frank Whites to see George Hises wife. she is very Poorly. from there we went out to Harriet Arners and spent the afternoon. cool all Day with no prospect of Rain. George accompanied us. had a good chat about Iowa and its Prairies.

Apr 17 Cloudy & cool with but little prospects of rain. laid some floor in the house. went up Town about Eleven O'clock where I heard that Zadok French Died at 5 O'clock on last Saturday afternoon. the first I knew that he was ailing. he was the first child born in Salem.

Apr 18 Cloudy & cool but soon cleared off with wind in Southeast. I took 6 bushels of wheat to mill & hauled 2 loads of Sand in forenoon. in afternoon mended shovel & Done schores. are about ready to make brick. the Boys picked the stone off of Mowing grass. Zadok French Burried to Day. Brother Jacobs Motherinlaw arrive from Louisville Ky.

Apr 19 Cloudy & cool. got all ready to make brick but it commenced raining and got too wet to work at it. Oliver throwed up his job at noon. I Paid him off and he left. Sam Plowed Jim Posts lot. I went to mill and brot the grist. took the flour to John Veigle (176 pounds). wind blowed hard and rained considerable about 4 O'clock PM. Samuel Hardman paid me 400 Dollars for G W Frank. I Paid Samuel Chessman all I owed him before I came home though it was 7 O'clock PM before I received the money.

Apr 20 Cloudy & warm. ground our axes. Sam hauled a load of Sand. very pleasant. I made fence around the new house. must have our Pasture fenced in. Sam harrowed corn ground in afternoon.

Apr 21 Cloudy & cool. made 4000 brick. I tempered in afternoon. Sam is still harrowing corn ground. Father & Mother Goulbourn came over to see us. took but I was so engaged that I could spend but little time with them.

Apr 22 Cloudy & cold. got up as soon as I could see and made mortar for chimney. covered a hack of brick as it threatens Rain or snow. no brick layer came. Sam & I hauled boards & one load of Sand. in afternoon Sam went to the Valley. I Done but little.

Apr 23 Clear & cool. considerable frost this morning. I Painted at the house until I used up what oil I had from Town. sun shines quite pleasant. wrote a letter to John Hise.

Apr 24 Clear & cool. considerable frost. got up early and got things ready for Carpenters. Bought 50 bushels of Ears of corn cost 70 cents per Double bushel. Tempered for brick in afternoon. Andrew Jobes came on to Day. he & Sam hauled brick in afternoon.

Apr 25 Clear at sunrise. got up at break of Day. stuck up Boards until breakfast. worked about the Brickyard. rained a little afternoon. covered all the brick & quit. the Carpenters are putting it through fast. got Stephen to cut some shed forks in Sharps woods. George Hise took supper with us. sunsett about clear.

Apr 26 Cloudy & foggy. got up early took a walk up to Town before breakfast. made 3000 Brick. rained at 6 O'clock and is still at it as I write at 8 O'clock. Jacob Hulett Paid me 25 Doll on the property he bought of me. Bought a bottle of Camphor cost 35 cents. came home with Joel McMillen.

Apr 27 Cloudy raining & wet. got up early. walked over to Dave Yenglings to see how Park (his boy) is getting along. he is better. Dave came and finished our chimney. hauled in our shed forks in forenoon. shod 2 of our Horses complete. grass will now grow fast. (thunder & lightning.

Apr 28 Cloudy & warm. is fine growing weather this morning. Sam and Andrew hauled brick. I hewed 4 Sills for Stephen Adams at John Frenchs where I took Diner. J S Dean brot me a load of corn in my absence. had to go home without his money. will send it to him in the morning. Mary Hafley Died.

Apr 29 Cloudy & cold. no frost. Sam & I hauled Straw to Farm all Day. rained a little. made a few brick but got so wet they were forced to quit. spent the evening up Town. came home with Sis. Geo & Libbie is here.

Apr 30 Clear & cold. heavy frost. but little chance for fruit. got up early. made a new gate at the woods Pasture & hung it before breakfast. Mr & Mrs Gordon Paid us a visit and we were very glad to have them Do so. he & I took a walk over to the Coal Shaft. Jacob Hise called up and spent the evening. brot the word that the Grafton Furnace was burned on Saturday evening at 6 O'clock. Insured for 75000 Dollars. Jesse Detrick came out and hired to me as a temperer. is coming in the morning. Sybel Street (Zadoks Daughter) Died to Day.

May 1 Clear & cool. made 4000 brick. George Hise & I Dug the holes and sett the forks for the new brick shed. went up Town towards evening to try and collect some money but failed utterly. will try it again to morrow.

May 2 Clear & pleasant. got up at 4 O'clock. worked until breakfast time at a fence. have so many things to Do that I scarce know what to Do first. George & I finished our new brickshed. Sumner Stearns bought the boards for me at Daniels lumber yard. took one thousand feet. at 5 O'clock commenced to rain so that we got our shed Done just in time. Sybel Street Burried to Day.

May 3 Cloudy & Damp. worked at the house. Ed Hise built wall in the cellar. Sam hauled brick & Sills. Rained considerable in afternoon. roads are quite muddy. fine

growing weather now.

May 4 Cloudy & wet. lots of Rain. repaired Dam and Done schores about town. Richard Garrigues Paid me ten Dollars on account. Paid it to Daniels & Stratton for lath. Sold Addison Carr 8000 brick. rained hard at 1/2 past 4 PM.

May 5 Cloudy & wet. all hands hauled brick to the Depot for Grafton Iron Company the Buckeye Co having sold the 35000 they bought of me and we Delivered them there instead of Buckeye. Settled with Jim Post. he lifted the note I had signed in favor of Thomas Sharp for 425 Dollars. it was secured by Chattel Mortgage. all right now.

May 6 Cloudy and Dull. repaired our waggon before breakfast. hauled brick all Day with both teams. turned colder before night. if it should clear off good by to what fruit is now left. we have covered our strawberries but whether it saves them is at least doubtful.

May 7 Clear & cold. heavy frost this morning. I suppose all our fruit is now Dead if freezing will kill it. finished primingthe house and rested the ballance of the Day. walked over to Philip Evans and chatted awhile with him. cold at sunsett.

May 8 Clear & cold. heavy frost. got up at peep of Day. walked over to Grandfather Goulbourns & borrowed a horse of Timothy for a couple of Days. called at John Neguss. as I came home got him to come and haul brick for me so that we hauled with 2 teams. got along fine. Sam harrowed the corn ground. made 4000 brick. the Plasterer commenced lathing the house so that everything seems to be moving along about right. Enos Eldredge Burried.

May 9 Clear & cold at sunrise but at 6 O'clock has clouded up in Southwest but is too cold to rain. put on a load of brick before breakfast. hauled 4 loads of brick by noon. brot home 2000 lath. went and brought home a load of Sand. took 8 bushel of wheat to mill etc etc. Mother Sheets is here to tea. is going to stay all night. very cold. Sam marked out our corn ground.

May 10 Cloudy & cool but soon cleared off an is very pleasant all Day. George Hise assisted us and we planted our orn. the ground is in as nice order as I ever saw it. brot our grist home with Ned & cart. one of our calves Drinked too much warm millk & Killed itself. got tom wheeler to skin it.

May 11 Clear & warmer this morning. is fine as can be. loaded a Car with 5000 brick. I helped a Carpenter that Geo Martin sent out to skirt the Stairway. made a good job of it.

May 12 Clear & pleasant. hauled 5000 brick to Rail Road. bought lath & lime & hair to Plaster the house. everything goes off about right now. weather is fine as can be.

May 13 Clear & warmer. hauled 3 loads of Sand. I screened it. came home by noon. spent a portion of the afternoon in Town. Sold some brick. the Brickmakers made 25000

this week.

May 14 Clear & cold. lots of frost this morning. lathed a little at the House. Margaret Sis Nora & I took a ride (the first one) in our new Carriage. like it very well. put up and covered what brick is out as it looks like rain at 2 O'clock but rained none. James Woodruff called over to see Libbie Hise. Did not stay long. wind cool & from the north. Blacksmithed a little for Benj Hilman.

May 15 Cloudy but little prospects of rain. made 4100 brick. Sam hauled Sand & Brick. I started the Kiln. cleared off before 9 O'clock and was very pleasant all Day. wind cool and Dry.

May 16 Clear & warm. commenced setting the brick. Sam hauled brick. Rained & blowed about 4 O'clock. raining at 8 O'clock PM.

May 17 Cloudy & wet. rained considerable through the night but Done us no Damage on the brickyard. I sett a few brick but got so sick was forced to quit and go to bed. the Plasterer is putting on the mortar to Day. cleared off and is very pleasant in afternoon. made 2000 brick. Sam Plowed truckpatch. I am better at Dark but far from feeling well yet.

May 18 Clear & cool. lots of frost this morning. sett brick most of the Day. Sam hauled 2 loads of Sand & 2 of brick. made 4000. the house is very nearly Plastered. Tom Sharp & Joseph Johnson fell out to Day. Both got angry and it Did not take long to separate.

May 19 Clear & warm. Sett brick all Day. Sam hauled brick. made 4000. bought 4 barrels of lime. Paid C B Stratton $8 20/100. Book account all I owe him.

May 20 Clear & warm. Sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon Done schores. made 4000 brick. Bought me a new Hat cost 1 50/100 Dol (Panama).

May 21 Clear & warm. got up early & Johny & I hacked up what brick were Dry. worked some at a new aparatis to Draw water. Peter Heitman & family visitedwith us (glad of it). attended Church. Mr Underwood lectured. he is very Radical none too much so. towards evening George & I rode Down to Yerk Howels. clouded up while we were there. came home & covered all our brick. am now ready for a shower. would like if it would come.

May 22 Cloudy. got up early and found it just commenced to rain very moderately but soon cleared off again without rain. the Carpenters came on to finish the House. went to Depot to see the Judge of our County Court. want to get exempted from serving on the jury but Did not wait for the Train. got "Judge Curry" to attend to getting me off. Repaired our barn Pump. Done lots of schores.

May 23 Clear & warm. got up early and Blacksmithed until breakfast. sett brick all Day.

Sarah Smith and Lydia Sharp visited us this afternoon. Sam cultivated the Potatoes & hauled one load of Sand. large fire at Alliance last night.

May 24 Clear & cool early. blacksmithed before breakfast. Sett brick most of the Day. got Hannah a Pair of Shoes of J Callahan cost 3 25/100 Doll. Sam Plowed a small Patch for Brother Jacob & I hauled some brick.

May 25 Clear & warm. Painted Sash. repaired tempering tub. sett some brick. fixed up our shed and done various schores. am tired enough to night. cloudy at sunsett. wish it would rain. ground is very Dry. Oats & grass is suffering.

May 26 Cloudy and some prospects of rain. repaired our other tempering tub. arbitrated a case between Tom Sharp & Jo Johnson. Benj Hilman & Lavern Webb were the other two. we gave Jo 75 Dollars & he is to leave the Premises within a week. sett some brick. helped fill a Pitt. Stitler is unwell. rained some in afernoon. will rain more to night I think. Elizabeth Cady Stanton lectured in Town to night.

May 27 Cloudy & foggy. got up before it was quite light and Puttyed in two windows before breakfast. Brother George & I filled a Pitt. Johny & little Howel wheeled in 4000 Brick. rained a little and threatened a good Deal. Deposited some money. Done schores about town in afternoon. we have now 94500 brick made and nearly one half of them sett.

May 28 Clear & warm. glazed 3 of the windows. went to church. Elizabeth Cady Stanton Delivered her lecture on the coming Republic to a House full of listeners who were well pleased. all came away Satisfied. spent the afternoon at Home. Jim Post called out and talked awhile about his adventure in the Machine Shop that proved a failure. not however on his account.

May 29 Clear & very warm. glazed one window before breakfast. sett brick the Ballance of the Day. went out to Geo Baums to see how he was getting along making Brick. he has from accounts about played out. he has no one to blame for it but himself. in order to run the other Brickmakers out he sold Brick for less than they cost him until himselfRun under. I have not tears to shed over him.

May 30 Clear & cooler. evidently rained somewhere in the neighborhood last night. I got up at midnight and covered our Brick as it was thundering heavily in Southeast but we got no rain. sett brick most of the Day. was up Town at noon. Saw the Procession as it marched out to the Cemetery to Decorate the Soldiers graves. had a fine shower about 3 O'clock but not enough to wet the ground much. made 4000 brick. Paid Sam Ten and Andrew 2 Dollars.

May 31 Clear with no rain last night. got up early glazed in one more window before breakfast. have two more to Do yet. sett brick until noon. Joseph Gaunt an old Pioneer (who now lives in Indiana) came out to see us. I spent the afternoon with him. took him Down to John Rakestraws who is an old acquaintence of his. they had not met for 40

years. of course was glad to see others. came home past the coal Shaft.

Jun 1 Clear & warm. got up early and glazed the last window. Sat up late talking (last night) with Joseph Gaunt. I knew him when I was a mere boy 7 or 8 years Old. he was some considerable older born in 1799 I in 1813. I having a memory running back to when he was about of age we could talk long of circumstances that to us were interesting. Wiley helped me & we sett brick all Day. no sign of rain to Day.

Jun 2 Clear & warm. finished glazing windows thismorning. Bought and brot out Doors Hinges locks etc for house. sett brick in afternoon. weather still very Dry.

Jun 3 Clear & warm. no sign of rain. Painted one room in new house. Sett brick most of the Day. windy & but little prospects of Rain. went to Town in evening. sold Allen Boyle 35000 hard brick for Gasometer at 7 1/2 Dolls Per thousand. rained a fine shower about 10 O'clock PM. got up and went Down to brick yard. found all right nothing damaging.

Jun 4 Cloudy and clear. threatens rain. Painted at the new house until late breakfast time then repaired our well windlass. hacked up and covered all our brick. had a fine rain about 3 O'clock PM. Doc Lyons Died very sudden. I Do not at present know the cause but suppose appoplexy. must wait for more information before completing the record. Margaret Sis & Ed have gone over to Dave Yenglings. Mary is sick.

Jun 5 Clear & warm all Day. sett up all the Brick that was Dry enough. hauled some boards home from Old Tyle Shed. Sam is working our corn. it looks well.

Jun 6 Clear & very warm. got up before Daylight & watered a Pit of clay. sifted Sand & lime for mortar. Ed finished the cellar & the Carpenters the wood work of house. I sett brick & Painted the Kitchen. looks like rain at sunsett. got our brick up & covered all that was Dry. at 8 O'clock it is raining moderately. glad of it.

Jun 7 Clear & cooler with plenty of Rain last night. spoiled some of our brick but made Oats & corn sufficient to make it all up. Doc Lyons burried to Day with great pomp. coffin is said to have cost 1100 Dollars. money foolishly spent. cased at the Kiln. Sam finished the corn.

Jun 8 Clear & cool. sett brick & cased at the Kiln. got it all sett & one half cased. Jacob Coy moved into the new house to Day. consequently made no brick. cool at Sunsett. Robt Trimble Married to Fanny Grisell.

Jun 9 Clear cool & pleasant. got our Kiln almost cased. made 4000 brick. shall not stop molding. Wiley & I can burn them.

Jun 10 Clear & warm. finished casing smeared and fired our Kiln about 4 O'clock PM. circles around the Sun about 11 O'clock. I attended the Kiln.

Jun 11 Cloudy with some rain through the night. I attended Kiln all night. went out to Simon Sumers to buy old Rails but they were too far off to Pay for hauling after giving him his Price. threatens rain as I write at 3 O'clock PM. rained at Dark.

Jun 12 Clear & cool early with considerable rain last night. I attended the Kiln all night Drying it off slow. Spaded a little ground for Tomatoes. Paid Jesse Detrick 20 Dollars. made 4000 brick. Kiln is Doing well. some cloudy at sunsett.

Jun 13 Cloudy & cool. threatened Rain at 5 O'clock AM but none of account fell. was up with the Kiln all night. Wiley stayed with me. was up to see Pidgeons Kiln at 10 O'clock PM. it was then about burned. wish ours was as well Done. Wiley helped me through the Day but went home in evening.

Jun 14 Clear & cool. George Hise helped me at the Kiln last night. cool. Wiley came on again this morning. he & I runs it now. commenced using coal at noon. got it at the shaft. cloudy but is too cold to Rain. Kiln is Doing well apparently.

Jun 15 Clear & cool. Wiley helped me last night. Kiln is Doing fine. made 4900 brick. Sam hauled Brick & wood & 2 loads of coal. wind blows too hard from the north but we took advantage of it & burned the South side of the Kiln.

Jun 16 Clear & cool. Sam helped me at the Kiln last night. wind changed to the Southeast and we burned the north side of the Kiln. have the ____ to bring Down yet. Shut up at noon.

Jun 17 Clear & warm. got up at Day Dawn and hoed my cabbage & corn patch before breakfast. now that the brick is burned I can find time to attend to the truck. it shall all be kept clean. shut our Kiln up at noon on yesterday having had it on fire 4 hours short of Six Days & nights. think I have a good burn. must now make a pair of Brick Molds as soon as Possible. Clouded up and rained a fine rain about 5 O'clock PM. got our brick about all up and covered. went to Buckeye and Dressed out my brick moulds and got considerable Done at them before the Rain.

Jun 18 Cloudy but think the rain is over for the time. finished my brick molds and then went out to see Harriet Arner. she is quite poorly but is feeling better to Day. called in to see Richard Ramsden a few minutes. came home about 6 O'clock. cleared off and is now weather again but we had a fine rain last night.

Jun 19 Clear & warm. fine growing weather as can be. Done schores all Day. Sam & Andrew is working corn. made 4000 brick. threatens rain at Dark. sent blank check to Pay Tax.

Jun 20 Clear & warm but clouded up towards noon. I am repairing our waggons. heavy rains this afternoon with considerable wind. Sam & Andrew working corn but could not

on account of the rain this afternoon.

Jun 21 Clear & pleasant. hauled Brick from Pidgeons to the Buckeye. molded in afternoon. Aaron Henshilwood arrived from Bloomington Ill this afternoon. he is looking well. bought 22 bushels of ears of corn cost 37 1/2 cts per bushel.

Jun 22 Cloudy most of the Day. hauled some brick & finished working the corn the 4th time. I worked some in the shop & some in the Brick yard. looks a little like rain at sundown. is very warm. Mary Jesse Hise is visiting with us this afternoon.

Jun 23 Cloudy and warm. rained in forepart of the Day so as to stop brick making. I worked some in the shop in afternoon. some hauled brick. I & Jess put on the shed and hacked up & covered 4000 brick. at 6 O'clock have a heavy rain accompanied with the largest kind of hail.

Jun 24 Cloudy & wet. got Chessmans wagon & hauled Brick to Buckeye with two teams but it rained so much we could Do but little good and quit before night. Sold Phebes lot to A B Pidgeon for one thousand Dollars. Paid me 400 Dollars Down. I Paid Nancy Y Thomas 382.61 cents of the money. owe her a little yet.

Jun 25 Cloudy & Dull. worked at my wagon some. Margaret Nora & I went over to Tom Sharps awhile in afternoon. Did not stay long. wrote a deed must send it to Iowa for Phebe to sign. clared off in afternoon but I think the rain is not over yet. Sis & Aaron Henshilwood has gone up to Elsworth to see his Sister Mary Anne. took Charlie & Carriage.

Jun 26 Clear & some cloudy at intervals. warm & sultry. hauled brick. made brick. George & I made the tire for our wagon. Jesse welded them for us. made a final settlement with Nancy Thomas. found I had Paid her 54 cents too much but as she said nothing about giving it back I said nothing supposing she had forgotten it. Jacob Layman got killed by a Horse at the Rail Road crossing on New Garden Street. another accident happened on Main Street by which an Old Gentleman from Berlin got seriously injured. his Horses ran off & threw him out.

Jun 27 Cloudy & clear at intervals but was good for Drying brick. got all up that was Dry. threatened rain about 6 O'clock but little fell. George & I hooped our wheels. in afternoon I went Down to sand bank and screened a load of sand. am very tired to night. go early to bed.

Jun 28 Clear & fine. got up very early and walked out to see Wiley Ward. want him to work for me but he is unwell. got home in time to call some of the folks out of bed. Sam commenced cutting our wheat but it rained at 2 O'clock and he was forced to quit. Johny & I hauled brick.

Jun 29 Cloudy & cool with wind in North. cold all Day. cleared off in afternoon. is fine

weather for cutting wheat. Sam is still at it. I & Johny hauling brick. getting along first rate.

Jun 30 Clear & cold. quite a frost in low places. John & I hauled brick. Sam & Andrew cutting wheat. clouded up some and is cool at sunsett. Drew 60 Dollars of Buckeye. Bought 483 feet of fine boards (for covering board) of them. cost 10 87/100.

Jul 1 Clear & coolish. got up early & weeded the Potatoes before breakfast. helped load some brick but spent the afternoon in Town colecting money. Paid it all out (90 Dollars). hired a man to haul brick. he is going to try it at 90 cents per thousand. John Saxon arrived from Iowa. clear & moon light as can be. very pleasant.

Jul 2 Clear & warm. worked hard at my waggon most of the Day. have it ready to run. one of them is broken so that we have but one waggon for harvest after all. I will mend it as soon as Possible but have entirely too much to Do just now. Mrs. Walker & 2 of her Daughters (Kate & Rose) visit us to Day. am always glad to see them. they are substantial friends. looks some like rain at sunsett.

Jul 3 Cloudy & warm. 2 teams hauling brick today Thomas Ward and our own. I helped load some & commenced setting another kiln. We have now just 20,000 brick made which is much better than I ever had one sett of hand. Do before.

Jul 4 Cloudy and threatening rain. Stephen has been wheeling in brick since 2 Oclock. the boys commenced then and hauled their Days work by Seven oclock at about which time it commenced to rain. rained hard and long. Did not cease until about 11 Oclock. Wiley & myself are setting brick. in afternoon it rained as hard as I ever saw it fall. the Boys all went to Alliance. Johny got back at 6 Oclock. the rest are absent yet.

Jul 5 Clear & warm. Sam & I made line fence between us & Benj Hilman. got it Done by noon. in afternoon Sam mowed Brother Jacobs lot. I helped load brick. Johny & Andrew hauled brick. Jesse Deetrick is still absent as I write on a spree I suspect. would hire another hand could I Do it but they are scarce now.

Jul 6 Clear in east but clouds are hanging off west. got the mowing machine in order and mowed a little in afternoon but it rained hard about 3 O'clock. got but little Done toward harvesting. Samuel Hardman Paid me 200 Dollars for Frank. left it with Ellwood Vickers.

Jul 7 Clear & warm. got up before Daylight. the moon was shining Delightfully. rigged up a wagon to haul hay on & worked some at my new waggon I am building. Sam & Aaron harvested. finished the wheat. mowed a couple of Acres and hauled in what we mowed at Jacobs yesterday. Settled with & Paid E T Vickers. Paid 123.66 to Peter Ward through Vickers. spent the evening in Town. cool at 9 O'clock.

Jul 8 Clear & warm. got up early made mortar & loaded a load of brick before breakfast.

John Marshal came on and walled up the cellar way. I attended him & loaded brick. got all our brick up & covered. got all the hay in that is cut. Sis Wait is here from Ravenna.

Jul 9 Clear and very warm. uncovered our brick that they may Dry. Margaret Sis Wait & Nora went Carriage riding over to Granfather Goulbourns. I sat about home reading and wiling away the time as best I could until towards evening when it clouded up and threatened rain. covered my brick. had a splendid rain about 6 O'clock PM.

Jul 10 Cloudy & Damp. got up early. went after our grist. got back in time to use some of it for breakfast. Sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon hauled sand. Sold Jim Philips a calf for 11 Dollars.

Jul 11 Cloudy & wet with lots of Rain last night. got up early & went out and righted up the wheat shooks before breakfast. shod our Horses. sett & hauled brick until noon when it Rained hard and continued most of the afternoon. I Done a little Painting at Jake Coys. got a letter from sister Phebe.

Jul 12 Cloudy & Damp. Painted at the Coy House. in forenoon Sam & Andrew hauled brick. at noon I opened out the wheat shooks that they may Dry. raked up and hauled in what hay we had out. cleared of and at sundown looks favorable for a fine Day tomorrow. hope it may come. spent the evening in Town. came home with Joel McMillen.

Jul 13 Clear & warm. weeded our Potatoes and hauled in our wheat. loaded some brick. worked hard all Day am tired in consequence & will got bed after reading the accounts of the New York Riots between the Catholics & State authorities. from 30 to 50 Killed & wounded.

Jul 14 Clear & warm. Sam & Andrew hoed our Potatoes. I sett brick. made 4000. looks like rain at sundown. covered all the Brick that is Dry enough.

Jul 15 Clear & warm. mowed and took in two loads of Hay. sett brick until noon. fine harvest weather as can well be.

Jul 16 Clear & warm. got up early. sett brick until noon. read & slept until about 4 O'clock when it clouded up and blowed and rained as it has not this sumer. blowed Down & broke off several large trees 2 white oaks one large hickory (the largest one I have 2 1/2 feet over) and Done lots of Damage such as blowing down corn and Oats. spoiled lots of brick.

Jul 17 Clear & cooler. 4 of us sett brick until noon. Sam mowed and got in 2 loads of excellent Hay. Charlie Wickline helps us in afternoon. made 2000 brick. Dried off and is very fine weather at sundown. Mr Schilling Died suddenly.

Jul 18 Clear & cool. sett brick all Day. Sam mowed & took in hay. made 4000 brick.

business seems to move along about right now.

Jul 19 Clear & pleasant. sett brick. Sam mowed some grass but at about noon it clouded up & rained. we got some of the Dryest of it in cock. all hands sett brick in afternoon. rained most of the time. cleared off Partially about 6 O'clock but is yet Dull for harvesting. Old Mr Schilling is Burried to Day. John Nickum Died of Typhoid fever on yesterday induced Doubtless by over work. in trying to Do too much lost all. I have had one lesson in that line shall avoid another if Possible but I am now Doing too much but it is not as exhausting as most other work (setting Brick).

Jul 20 Cloudy and cool. too wet to make brick or hay. all hands work about the yard setting & hauling brick. got about all Sett up that is Dry. poor weather to make brick. (Joel McMillen threshed his wheat.

Jul 21 Clear at sunrise but before 6 O'clock is cloudy as ever. made brick in forenoon but in afternoon is too wet. rained off and on all the afternoon. sett up all the brick that is Dry enough. Sam & Andrew hauled brick. Bought Paper for Coys House.

Jul 22 Clear at sunrise but clouded up or partially so. I cased some at the Kiln. made 2000 brick. Sam got in what grass we had Down. about ten O'clock Father Goulbourn came over on foot accompanied Jacob Leison of Philadelphia (a cousin of Margarets). spent the ballance of the Day with him. Margaret took them back to Fathers in the Carriage. rained a little about noon but very little.

Jul 23 Clear & cool. cased a little at the Kiln early this morning. uncovered the brick. Margaret Sis & I visited at Father Goulbourns. got home at 6 O'clock. Cousin Jacob came with us.

Jul 24 Clear & warm. got up early. engaged Jo Venable to help us cut oats. Spent the Day showing Jacob Loeser around Town Cemetery etc etc. he walked over to Father Goulbourns in evening. I accompanied him as far as Abraham Shinns where we parted.

Jul 25 Clear & pleasant all Day. Jess is on a Drunk & Johny & I offbore 4000 brick & hacked 6000. Sam is still cutting grass. Charlie Wickline is cutting our Oats & helping haul in the hay. went to the Depot at 6 O'clock PM where I met Jacob Loeser. took leave of him as he left for Philadelphia (where he lives).

Jul 26 Clear at sunrise but soon began to look hazy. Sam mowed in forenoon but contrary to what I expected went to the Show and the consequence is the hay got wet. I came home from town too late to get all the brick up but they did not get much injured. hired John M Gordon (a Black man to help me a few Days. witnessed the Baloon ascention. was in the act of starting home when Brother Geo poked a ticket at me. as he had bought it I thought it useless to throw it away so we went in and was well entertained. Marvelous what feats man can Perform. came home late.

Jul 27 Cloudy & wet. feel stupid caused by irregular rest. bad habits brings their rewards. Sett brick all Day. made none. finished mowing. rained in afternoon. 2 hands Cradling Oats.

Jul 28 Cloudy & cooler. cased at the Kiln. made no brick to Day. cleared off. got in all our hay. cut Oats but some is yet uncut. cool at bedtime. air feels frosty.

Jul 29 Clear & pleasant. cased our Kiln. got it pretty well along by noon. Sam & Andrew Put in some Oats. spent the afternoon in Town. Paid Jesse Deetrick 6 Dollars. he is going to Columbiana to work. he is trifling.

Jul 30 Clear & warm. got up early & churned before any of the rest were up. wrote a letter to Tacy Gilbert of Lancaster Co Pa. J F Dickinson and John Saxton visited to Day. had a good time.

Jul 31 Clear & warm. Jo Johnson came on to help me & we cased our Kiln. made 4000 brick. got in 5 loads of Oats. Doing fine now. Stephen finished Cradling Oats. went Down to Jacob Forkers to get him to haul wood.

Aug 1 Clear & warm. Jo & I smeared our Kiln & I sett it on fire. made 4000 brick. hauled in lots of Oats.

Aug 2 Clear & warm. lots of water smoke coming off the Kiln this morning. made 4000. Jacob Forker and Benj Genawalt both hauling wood. (James Stanley commenced well.

Aug 3 Clear & cloudy at intervals. looks like rain. splendid rain bow at 5 O'clock AM. collected some money the last time I shall get to town until the Kiln is Done. commenced using coal this evening. got our Oats all in Dry & hauled one load of Coal.

Aug 4 Cloudy & wet. good rain last night but the boys made 4000 brick. Andrew hauled Coal. Sam assisted me at the Kiln. Rained hard at 5 O'clock and is still raining some at 6.

Aug 5 Cloudy & wet but will clear off soon. Kiln is Doing well. made 3000 brick. hired Mitchell Akerton to temper. Will Hise is too young. he is coming on Monday morning. Paid hands all up to night.

Aug 6 Clear & warm. Sam & I attended the Kiln all Day. John Saxon took Diner with us. is going back to Iowa on Tuesday next. Anne Kendall came on a short visit. called up this evening was surprised to see her. she has her little boy with her.

Aug 7 Clear & warm. Akleson came on and we are now made up for hands. Kiln is nearly Done at noon. made 4000 brick. Struck water in the well at a Distance of 23 1/2 feet. walled up some and covered it.

Aug 8 Cloudy & windy. shut the Kiln about midnight. have certainly a good burn.

washed clean put on clean clothes greased my Boots and fell first rate. got out stuff for Brick Molds and a stick for a tempering shaft one of ours having twisted off. Brother George helped me carry it in.

Aug 9 Clear & warm all Day. put in our new tempering crab in forenoon. in afternoon walled well. Elizabeth Sheets (Margarets Sister) who lives in Iowa came to our house this evening. we were quite surprised to see her.

Aug 10 Clear and warm. opened our Kiln & commenced hauly brick. took the first load to John Vernon the ballance to the gas works. Mother Sheets Anne Kendall Sarah McMillen & Elizabeth Sheets took Supper with us. I being tired went early to Bed.

Aug 11 Clear & warm. making no brick to Day. Aust is sick. hauling away the Dirt Dug out of the well. got an excellent well 23 1/2 feet with 10 feet water. finished it all up yesterday. cost 30 Dollars beside the Stone.

Aug 12 Cloudy & Dull. made brick to Day. got a pump and platform to the well. put on the shed. towards evening took Jim & Buggy went over to Simon Rollars after money he collected for me of Joshua Woods (18 70/100) Did not get. he is to bring it over on tuesday next. was late when I got home. cleared off and is very fine weather. Margaret is fifty years Old to Day & well.

Aug 13 Clear & very warm all Day. made a pair of large brick molds in which to make brick for Leonard Schilling. read the ballance of the Day. Sis went over to Father Goulbourns to stay all night. Hollie is very low. Elizabeth Sheets is here to night.

Aug 14 Clear & warm. Austin is too unwell this morning to offbear. I spent the morning hunting a hand but found none. Johny & Andrew offbore made 3600.

Aug 15 Clear & warm. Sam offbore 1000 brick before breakfast. Dennis Weis the Ballance of the Days work. hauled brick. piled Down a good many but am now Done with that as they have about enough at the gas works. Margaret took Lizzie Sheets out to Joseph Saxons visiting. took "Old Mike" & Carriage. got back after sundown. too warm to sleep.

Aug 16 Clear & warm. hauling and making brick. had quite a rain at 3 O'clock. continued for a couple of hours. Did not injure our brick much. Sold & Delivered 1500 paving brick to Charles Denis. he sent the money by Sam.

Aug 17 Cloudy & cooler. will Do to make brick. cleared off and is still cool with wind north. made about 5100 brick. getting along fine. Margaret went over to Grandfather Goulbourns brot him home with her. he is very poorly is going to stay with us to night. Simon Roller Paid Sis the long coming money owed to me by Joshua Woods of Washingtonville. I have been trying to get it about 3 years. have finally got it last. it has a history worth recording.

Aug 18 Clear & cool. hauled & made brick. getting along first rate. made over 5000 to Day. Margaret took Father Goulbourn over home to see how all were getting along. found Hollie only just alive. she is Doubtless gone as I write at 8 O'clock PM. Father came back with Margaret. he seems better while here. (Hollie Gee Died.

Aug 19 Clear & cool. made 4000 brick. got a full weeks work out this week (24000). commenced hauling out our manure. Hollie Gee Died at 8 O'clock last evening.

Aug 20 Clear & warm. got up early. edged up what brick we had Down. brot our unruly Bull home & tied him head & foot. cant keep him on the Place without. at 8 O'clock we all went over to father Goulbourns to attend the Funeral of Hollie. quite a number attended. we returned to the House & took Diner. Hill Tolertons wife is burried at 2 O'clock. Zilpha Tolerton (Robt Tol wife Died this morning. she has been sick a long while 2 years at least. I spliced Rools on a Slubbing machine in a Factory where she worked 48 years ago.

Aug 21 Harriet Arner visited & took Diner with us. Lizzie Sheets is with us to night. Cloudy with some appearance of rain but at noon it cleared off and is warm. made 4000 brick. Sold several Some to go to Hanover.

Aug 22 Cloudy & Foggy. got up early. spent some time up Town hunting wagon Box. found one on a scrap pile at Victor Stove works. hauled brick (or helped load rather). hacked up and Done schores. was busy all Day. Lizzie Sheets left for home at 10 O'clock. expects to spend a few Days in Ashland. Paid Lavern Webb 150 Dollars for Ed Hise. Zylpha Tolerton Burried at 11 O'clock. cleared off about 10 O'clock. is splendid weather to make brick.

Aug 23 Clear & warm. worked about the yard all Day. got out 4000 brick. got all up that would Do. a little prospect of Rain. wish it would come ground is very Dry.

Aug 24 Clear and warm. lightning & thundered in north. hooped our wagon. commenced our 3 Kiln to sett. made 4000 brick. clouded up and at sundown looks like rain. Wiley helped us. getting along well. J T Brooks made a commencement towards his new building that he contemplates putting up this Fall on the Property purchased of the Quakers by tearing Down the fence around the burrying ground.

Aug 25 Cloudy & Dull having rained some last night. got up early. went Down to Aaron Antrims & picked a basket of elder berries. made 2000 brick but got too wet. rained about all Day. about noon had quite a shower. Wiley & I Sett brick all Day. Sam commenced plowing for wheat but soon got too wet.

Aug 26 Cloudy & Dull. made no brick to Day. sett brick until noon. put up all we had made. Stephen wheeled in all that was Dry enough. rained a little this afternoon and at sunsett threatens more.

Aug 27 Cloudy & wet. attended Hicksite meeting in forenoon. in afternoon went to hear Parker Pillsbury ("it payed big"). he cant be equaled. Saw Frank Ball of Iowa. rained some in afternoon & evening.

Aug 28 Cloudy & Dull. 4 of us weeded in the Potatoes until noon. I sett brick in afternoon. made 1000 brick when it rained and they were forced to quit. Sam Plowed a little in afternoon. Frank Ball of Iowa called over took Supper and is going to stay all night with us. D McCallas store Robbed.

Aug 29 Cloudy & wet. all hands in the Potatoe patch. got it completely weeded. it was a hard job but I think it Paid. rained hard several times through the Day. Frank Ball Spent a good portion of the Day with us. Simon Sumers Barn was struck by lightning last night & Burned to the ground with its contents. 35 tons of Hay 35 bushels of wheat & 217 bushels of Oats. it was insured for 1500 Dollars which will nearly cover the loss. Political meeting to Day but I Did not attend.

Aug 30 Cloudy & Dull. hauled brick in forenoon. Plowed in afternoon. I sett brick all Day. made none but might have Done so but the Clay was too wet. went this evening to hear Parker Pillsbury Preach. Pays better than anything I can Do.

Aug 31 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up. made 4000 brick. Wiley & I sett brick all Day. the boys (Johny & Howel hauled brick. cool at sundown.

Sep 1 Cloudy & clear at intervals. cool all Day. made 5000 brick. I sett brick all Day. Sam is plowing Johny & Howel hauling brick.

Sep 2 Clear & fine. sett a few Brick but spent the afternoon in Town. collected money & Paid all hands all I owed them. got our brick nearly all up. fine weather again.

Sep 3 Clear & warm. got up early and sett brick until late breakfast. attended the Lecture of Mr Bradford of Pittsburg. slept. wrote a Deed 2 letters & read Voltaire

Sep 4 Clear & warm. Brother George sowed our wheat. got it in well. I sett brick. made 4000. Acknowledged a Deed to Mary Anne Ridgely.

Sep 5 Clear and warm. sett brick. Sam & Andrew hauled brick. made 4000. made a new contract with Mitchel our temperer. am now to give him 25 cts per 1000 & board him.

Sep 6 Clear & warm. sett brick. Sam & Andrew hauled brick. made 4000. clouded up and rained a little about 6 O'clock PM.

Sep 7 Clear & cooler. Sett brick. Sam & Andrew hauled brick. Made 4000 brick. wind blowed all Day. hauled round to the north. Dried the Brick very fast.

Sep 8 Clear and warm. Sam & Andrew still hauling Brick. Wiley and myself setting the Ballance making. Stephen Adams moved into his new house the first he ever owned. Stephen moved yesterday.

Sep 9 Clear & warm. Sam went for his waggon to Day. Andrew helped about the Kiln. Wiley & I sett brick. got nearly Done. made 25000 this week. getting along first best. have not been to Town this week. am too busy.

Sep 10 Clear & warm. I worked at the Casing all Day. never spent a Sunday more satisfactory to myself than this one. rained a little. all our brick was undercover. will not rain much I think from appearances.

Sep 11 Clear & cloudy at intervals but in afternoon clouds prevailed and at 6 PM rained a very little. finished setting the Kiln & cased some. Johny hauled sand and Dust for smear. Sam & Andrew hauled brick. made 4000. Tom Sharps Foundry & Machine shop came near burning but escaped minus a portion of the Roof.

Sep 12 Cloudy & Dull. worked at the Kiln casing and Doing what we can to get it on fire. made 4000 brick but little Prospects of Rain. I am 58 years old to Day. Sis presented me with a beautiful paper knife of Ivory & Pen rack both of which will be useful to me.

Sep 13 Cloudy & Dull all Day but the hands made 4000 brick. Wiley & I cased at the Kiln. getting along well. our burnt brick are about "played out".

Sep 14 Cloudy & Dull. made 4400 brick. got the Kiln cased and part smeared. threatens rain at 5 O'clock. got what brick we could and covered them. at 7 O'clock is Drizzling rain.

Sep 15 Cloudy & wet. Drizzled rain about all night. got up early and went Down to Hilliards clearing hunting brick wood but what I had there has been hauled of by some one else but I have got used to having wood stolen and am not surprised. finised smearing the Kiln and got it on fire by noon. Drizzled rain all Day and as I write at 7 O'clock PM is still at it.

Sep 16 Cloudy & Dull. Wiley attended the Kiln to Day and I repaired 2 hopper wheelbarrows. Sam & Mitchel cut up corn in afternoon having Dried off and is quite warm which to me is unexpected. I looked for it to clear up cold and frosty. might have made brick to Day as well as not.

Sep 17 Cloudy & Dull. attended the Kiln all Day. got up what brick is made. poor weather for Drying brick.

Sep 18 Cloudy & partially clear through the Day. made 2 thousand brick. Mrs Coy

stepped on a butcher knife and cut her foot severely. Wiley and I attended the Kiln all Day. Jacob Coy assisted me last night. Whinney & Leases Drug Store was entered last night. Henry Venable (Black) is under arrest as the thief.

Sep 19 Cloudy & Dull. Venable had a hearing last night which resulted in his being bound over under a 500 Dollar bond for his appearance at court. made 2000 brick. the yard is now full and will not Dry.

Sep 20 Cloudy and cool. can make no brick to Day. Kiln is Doing well. Sam finished cutting corn & Dug our Potatoes.

Sep 21 Clear & frosty. shut up the Kiln. think I have a good burn. made 2000 brik. Sam hauled wood and sand. Wiley wheeled in 4000 brick & I sett most of them.

Sep 22 Clear & very pleasant. commenced painting our Barn. Sam is Doing it. made 4000 brick. Wiley wheeled in8000. Brother George & I sett some. want to keep them sett up as fast as they are Dry enough to come in.

Sep 23 Clear & pleasant. Paskall Seeds weatherboarded the South end of the straw house. Sam painted at the Barn. takes lots of Oil. Bought 100 feet of siding cost 249 cents.

Sep 24 Clear & warm. fine Indian Sumer. took a walk over to Coal Shaft. from there to Town before breakfast. spent the Day at home. Allen Boyle called over to buy some brick. was sorry to tell him I had none to sell. Mary Gee was with us all night and to Day her & Margaret went to Baptist Meeting. Ed Hise took her home.

Sep 25 Clear & pleasant. Sam is Painting the Barn. I sett brick. George (Brother) handed them to me. made 4000 brick. Andrew took 10 bushels of wheat to mill & brot a load of Sand home. Stephen wheeled in brick all Day. picked our grapes all off. are going to put some of them up to try and Keep them until Christmas.

Sep 26 Cloudy & cool. wind blowed so hard before Day light that I got alarmed for our brick that was not covered. it threatened rain but none fell. made 4000 brick. I put the shed on. opened our Kiln. hauled 5 loads out. have a splendid burn. sett a few brick.

Sep 27 Cloudy & cool. sett some brick. hauled 6 loads (one too many). made 4000. Dried but little. got up one hack. Sam still painting the Barn.

Sep 28 Cloudy & cool. Drizzled a little rain in forenoon. made but 2000 brick. Our offbearer quit as he has a winter job and the weather is so Dull it will not Pay him. we can get along without him as we can make but few more at best. Sam is still Painting the Barn & the Boys hauling brick.

Sep 29 Clear & cool with good rain last night. made no brick to Day. Sam is Painting at

the barn. John & Andrew hauled brick. I helped load & hacked up brik. got our grist home.

Sep 30 Clear & warmer but some frost. made 2000 brik. Sams time expired to Day. we settled up & I Paid him 28 05/100 Dolls all I owed him. he took his Horse and left. am now out of a good Team but think I can Do this winter. engaged widow Howels Mare to Temper with and we will try Jim with Charlie. think they will make a good team. the Bricklayers commenced laying brick at Brookes new Block to Day (on Broadway).

Oct 1 Clear & cool. repaired Barnyard gate and collar. spent the ballance of the Day reading and strolling about. very pleaswant weather.

Oct 2 Clear & cool. a little frost. got up early and went Down to Widow Howels & brot her mare up to temper clay. took Jim to work with Charlie. they make a good team. made 4000 brick. Stephen took in 8000 & we (George & I) sett them. John & Howel hauled brick. Mitchel commenced for a year at 220.00

Oct 3 Cloudy at sunrise but soon cleared off. had a little rain about 3 O'clock AM. I got up at 2 and covered & hacked up all the brick that was dry enough. George & I sett brick all Day. Stephen wheeled in about 7000. made 4200. cooler at sunsett. not much prospects of Rain to night. Margaret & Brother Geo is up at Jesse Hises. they are having a Silver wedding. I suppose I ought out of courtesy to have gone but I have too much else to Do that I think is of more importance. besides I have an aversion to such parties but every one to their notion & I to mine.

Oct 4 Clear & pleasant. made 4000 brik. Geo & I sett brik and the Boys hauled. smokey and is apparently Indian Sumer. hope it may last a month as we have a great Deal to Do before winter.

Oct 5 Clear & as pleasant as one could wish. got up early & piled a little Sand. went o Philip Evans and hired his Horse "Jerry" to temper clay. the one we have being too light. made 4000 brick. hauled & sett as usual. are getting along as well as could be wished. hired Henry Venable to offbear for us a couple of Days as our young boys are about tired out.

Oct 6 Clear & pleasant at sunrise but soon thickened up either with smoke alone or clouds also but I never saw the smoke as thick as it was at one time to Day. Henry Venable Disappointed us (niger like) by not coming but I offbore 4000 myself. can Do it yet with ease. took Widow Howels Mare home as she is too light to temper clay.

Oct 7 Cloudy at sunrise but soon cleared off and remained pleasant all Day. made 4000 Brick. made 24000 this week which is Doing well in October. collected a little money and paid our hands all off. Paid Joel Stratton 20 Dollars on account. Bought Johny a pair of substantial Boots for 3 Dollars. went to Town in evening. Bought some Borax & 27 lb of Sweet Potatoes for one Dollar.

Oct 8 Clear & very pleasant all Day. got up in good time & helped Johny gather chestnuts before breakfst. Johny & Nora took "Old Mike" & cart amd got a load of Walnuts. I worked a little at my wagon but soon got tired as my hands are too sore to hold the hamer. Dave & Mary Yengling with their fine little Boys. Margaret was absent. She & Uncle George & Lizzie went over to Father Goulbourns. I strolled around the fields a little about sunsett. Johny & I edged up 8000 Brick. they are Drying fine.

Oct 9 Clear & warm. sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon I had to offbear. Brother Geo loaded wagon & hacked up the brick. want 3 Days work yet. wish they were done.

Oct 10 Clear & warm. wind blows fresh from Southwest. sett brick and worked about the yard all Day. made but 3600. rained about 1/2 past 3 O'clock PM and at sunsett is quite wet. has rained moderate for 1/2 hour. Doubtful is we make any more brick this fall. shall not unless it Dries off in a Day or two.

Oct 11 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up and rained but got 1500 brick made. is now too wet & cold to think of making more this fall. shall therefore close up the Kiln & burn it as soon as possible. got in all that is Dry leaving some 9500 out in the cold.

Oct 12 Cloudy & Dull. shod "Old Mike" & run two teams to Day hauling brick. sett a few. tore Down casing etc etc. must now burn what we have got as soon as Possible. in evening went over to Philip Evans to get a further loan of his Horse. can have him while I need him. took supper with him from there. Jonathan (his Son) & I went to Town.

Oct 13 Cloudy cold and frosty. cold wind from southeast. sett some brick in forenoon but keeps me most of the time loading wagons. hauled 9500 to Day with 2 teams. cleared off and was very pleasant. in the afternoon got the Brick that is on the yard all up so that we can save them unless it rains very hard.

Oct 14 Cloudy but pleasant weather. hauled 12 loads of brick to Day. I could Do but little else than help load. I Pitched on 12600 myself. am some tired and my hands are sore. Paid Mitchel $6.00 on account. Stephen Adams is husking & hauling in our corn. Spent a Portion of the evening in Town.

Oct 15 Cloudy & wet. rained a little in the night. is wet most of the forenoon with several slight showers. Geo & I sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon he & I went Down to Josh Hilliards to see the Brickwood he had Promised me. found he had sold it to Other Parties. it is rough wood at best. Dont care about it.

Oct 16 Cloudy at Daylight. got up early. walked out to Angus Campbells where I bought 20 cords of the right kind of wood. much cheaper than I could have bought Hilliards and one cord of it is worth 2 of his. have all the help around the Kiln that we have room for. want to get it on fire as soon as Possible.

Oct 17 Clear & cloudy at intervals through the Day. got our burnt brick all out to Day. Brooks sent 4 teams jerked them right out. I sett some. have the Kiln nearly sett. Stephen is at the corn. raining a little at 7 PM.

Oct 18 Clear & cool. finished setting the Brick. all hands went up to Town (I among the rest) to see the show come in. they made a fine Display. cased some at the Kiln. Sis Nora Brother George & I all went to see the Show in evening. (fine animals.cold).

Oct 19 Clear & cool. wind blew a gale most of the Day. all hands (6 of us) casing at the Kiln. got it Pretty well along. think we can get it on fire tomorrow. went this evening and borrowed 40 grain Sacks of Louis Schilling ready for the threshers.

Oct 20 Clear & cool. finished casing the Kiln. smeared it and fired it about 2 O'clock PM. the Threshers came and will be with us to night. am glad of it.

Oct 21 Clear & frosty. very cold all night. I fared a little rough as the Kiln is not warm enough to afford me any or but little protection against the cold. Threshers got to work early. got Done about 2 O'clock. had 85 bu of wheat and 360 of Oats. left our straw all in the Barn. I attend the Kiln. Mitchell hauled 4 cords of wood. everything appears to be moving along about right.

Oct 22 Clear & warmer. very Pleasant last night at the Kiln where I attended all night. wrote a note to John More. sent it by Johny enquiring about coal. would like to have a load to Day but could get none. scraped up what we have and must make it Do until morning. Jacob Coy helped me to night.

Oct 23 Cloudy at Daylight. Johny Started for coal at 5 O'clock. got a load to the Kiln by 8 O'clock in time. (forgot to record in its proper place that Joseph Saxon brot us some of the largest apples I ever saw. was Expressed to him from Iowa. one I weighed Drew 19 oz. one to Father Goulbourn that is quite as large). our Kiln is Doing fine.

Oct 24 Cloudy and Dull. rained most of the night last night. Mitchel hauled wood & Johny hauled coal. no rain to Day. clouds thin in afternoon. had company to Day sewing carpet rags. Mary Yengling with her two charming little Boys were here. grandmother Sheets Mrs & Kate Walker. Kiln is Doing fine.

Oct 25 Cloudy & smoky. Kiln is sittling nicely. Sallie Gunell and her husband (a cousin from Bucks Co Penn called on and took tea with us. I had but little time with them.

Oct 26 Clear & Pleasant. our Kiln is nearly Done. getting a good burn. Mitchell is hauling wood. all the work that is going on to Day.

Oct 27 Clear & cool. shut up our Kiln at Daylight. think we have a good burn. Leonard Schilling Paid his brick bill(236 26/100 Doll. Paid my indebtedness at Pows Bank. bought a lot of ground of Thomas Spencer 65 feet on East Broadway running back the

Depth of his lot adjoining Ed Reeps for which I pay him 3 hundred Dollars cash. Paid him 25 to day and took his Receipt for it. paid Jacob Coy for helping me burn 11 25/100 Doll. spent most of the Day in Town. Bought Johny Shepherd a Pocket Knife.

Oct 28 Cloudy & colder. shod one of our horses. Mitchel hauled 2 loads of Dung from town. in forenoon hauled in fodder. I spent the afternoon in Town. Paid Benjamin Grenermire (by the hands of his Son) 62 50/100 Dollars for Brickwood. Stephen finished getting in the Corn. have not quite as much as we had last year. have more Oats. quite cold all Day.

Oct 29 Cloudy & cool. tore open the Arches of our Kiln that it may cool off. want to commence hauling tomorrow. went to hear Charles C Burleigh Preach from the text "Gods Daily talk to man". was very ingeneous and instructive also. from there I went down to Father Goulbourns. took Diner with him. he walked a part of the way home with me. went to hear Burleigh in the evening. clear & moonlight. Mrs Walker with her entire family visited us. no one more welcome.

Oct 30 Clear & cool. finished hauling our corn fodder. took casing opened our Kiln & hauled 2000 Brick to J T Brooks. Charles Grizell stacked our fodder.

Oct 31 Cloudy & warm. got up early. both teams hauled Brick. hauled 10000 to Brooks and 500 to Leonard Schilling. put the shed on. rained about 5 O'clock PM.

Nov 1 Cloudy & cool but no rain. hauled 10000 brick. roads are excellent. took a grist of ten bushels of wheat to hendricks Mill.

Nov 2 Clear & pleasant all Day. hauled 10768 brick to J T Brooks. ground Stephens axe and put a new handle in it.

Nov 3 Clear & pleasant. hauled Brick all Day. are Doing nothing else. Paid Thomas Spencer 90 Dollars on a lot I Bought of him making 115 Dollars I have Paid him out of 300 I was to give him.

Nov 4 Cloudy at sunrise but soon cleared off and is very pleasant. Brother George took Aunt Libbie (his wife) up to Richard Kirtlands. hauled brick all Day. Jacob Hulett (Colored) Paid me 50 Dollars on his House he bought of me. left 25 of it with Samuel Hardman to Pay Thomas Spencer.

Nov 5 Clear & pleasant. worked some at the wash Stand I am making for Nora. went to hear Charles C Burleigh. at 2 O'clock went to the Funeral of Samuel French Burried from his Sister Annies corner of Green & Lundy Street. he Died Suddenly at Germantown Philadelphia County Penn. Telegraphic Dispatch announcing the Death of David Stanton of New Brighton (formerly of Salem which was in fact his native Place Being a Son of Benjamin & Martha Stanton who settled in Salem in 1815 where his Mother still lives. Joel McMillen starts west.

Nov 6 Cloudy & cool. still hauling Brick. Brother Geo loads while I am Building coal house for Jacob Coy. Bought a Crown cost 12 Dollars. bought it because I liked it.

Nov 7 Clear & frosty. finished Jakes Coal house. made a good one. sun shone pleasant all Day. bought a quarter of beef of Sampson Philips at 8 cents per lb. very nice. hauled our ten thousand brick as usual.

Nov 8 Cloud & Damp. worked to Day for J T Brook assorting brik. Jacob Coy assisted me. arrested the thief that stole McCallas goods. found 400 Dollars worth of the goods under his house (Colored Man) Harvey.

Nov 9 Clear & frosty. worked at Brookes assorting brick. hauled 9100 brick. have a few loads yet to haul. clouded up towards sunsett and at 6 O'clock commenced sprinkling rain. at nine is raining smartly.

Nov 10 Cloudy & cooler with considerable rain last night. hauled but one load of brick to Day. rained pretty nearly all Day. Done schores about town. collected 72 Dollars of Robt Hole for brick. Paid 60 of it to Samuel Hardman for Thomas Spencer.

Nov 11 Clear & quite pleasant. assorted brick at Brookes. Mitchel hauled brick. Settled with Andrew Jobes. owed him 25 88/100 Doll. gave him my Due bill for it. saw again in Town and Paid him five Dollars. he is to credit it on the Back of Due bill when he gets home. careless way of Doing but he is honest.

Nov 12 Clear & cool. attended Church after which we all went out to John Gordons. spent the afternoon pleasantly.

Nov 13 Cloudy & threatens rain. hauled 3 loads of brick. I pattered around Brooks block Doing but little except to select brick. Johny started to school.

Nov 14 Cloudy & wet. rained in the night and rained all the forenoon. can Do nothing much at laying brick to Day. worked some at a wash stand for Nora a Birth Day present. the masons laid a few brick.

Nov 15 Cloudy & colder. ground covered with snow. I worked at the stand most of the Day. Bricklayers worked some cold as it is. Brookes is uneasy but he cannot get his Block enclosed which now looks Doubtful. froze all Day.

Nov 16 Cloudy & cold but is Drizzling rain at Daybreak. continued to Do so all Day but little Doing with us. I spent the Day in Town Doing but little. Done a little turning for the Stand I am making.

Nov 17 Cloudy weather. moderated but everything out of Doors is covered with ice. worked some at the Stand. got it about Done. Joseph Smith Paid me 23 41/100 Doll for

paving brick. thawed a little but is still very icy.

Nov 18 Cloudy with air full of ice. Damp & cold. ground still covered with ice. spent the Day in Town. in afternoon attended an Auction Sale of household goods at Oscar Tabors. bought Carpet chairs glass ware & feather bed cost in all to about 75 Dollars.

Nov 19 Clear & pleasant at sunrise but soon clouded up and at 4 O'clock in afternoon threatens rain. attended church after which I went out to Thomas Wilsons to show a man where to chop wood. from there I went Down to Yerkes Howels. took Diner & chatted awhile when I struck across country for home where I arrived about sunsett considerably fatigued. found Margaret Sis & Nora all absent visiting some at Brother Jesses & some at Sister Unos.

Nov 20 Cloudy with moderate weather. gathered up some money. Paid for the articles bought at the Auction and brot them home. Mitchel hauled one load of stone from Yerkes Howels.

Nov 21 Cloudy & a little colder. made some mortar to paint up Coys cellar wall. carried it & put it in the cellar to keep it from freezing. went to town to hunt a carpet remnant but found none to suit. Bought Mitchel & myself a Pair of Buckskin gloves cost one Dollar eighty five cents a pair. growing gradually colder at noon. spent the afternoon in Town after shoeing one of our Horses.

Nov 22 Cloudy moderate. snowing most of the day. Mitchel hauled coal & Stone. I blacksmithed all forenoon. in afternoon went over to see Father Goulbourn. he is quite miserable. is evidently nearing the end of his earthly pilgramage. Masons worked all Day.

Nov 23 Clear & cool at sunrise but fine for time of year. spent most of the Day in Town. repaired our Sofa. went out to Simon Sumers and bought a lot of wood to chop at 25 cents per cord. cheap enough. walked back on the Rail Road.

Nov 24 Cloudy & moderate winter weather. ground froze a little and some snow but at 9 O'clock is melting. went with Jacob Coy out to look at the wood privilege bought of Simon Sumers. he is going to chop it for eighty cents per cord & keep the brush. in afternoon I assorted a few brick at Brooks building.

Nov 25 Clear & pleasant. thawed all Day where the Sun shone but nowhere else. assorted a few brick but Done but little else. Mrs Louiza Yardall arrived from Canton. is going to spend sometime with us. am glad to have her do so.

Nov 26 Cloudy & warmer. threatens rain. gathered moss for Christmas. must fix up a little to please the children (as well as myself).

Nov 27 Cloudy & cool. assorted brick all Day at Brookes. they are getting along well. Mitchell is boating stone off the meadow and hauling coal. Ed Hise gave me ten Dollars

for coal. Bought Ephraim Smith (Collored) an axe & handle cost 1 Dollar & 50 cents. he is chopping for me.

Nov 28 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up & threatens snow. assorted brick. Mitchel & Jacob Coy butchered one of our hogs. it had got sprained and could not walk. made nice meat as can be. Sis has a bad cold.

Nov 29 Cloudy & cold with ground covered with Snow. spent the Day in Town. handed brick bill into Buckeye amounting to 1167.54 cents. got credit on Book for it. will Draw it as I need it.

Nov 30 Cloudy & cold with a little more snow. Mitchel & I hauled a load of Straw to Jo Smith. get the Dung for it. spent the Day in Town. brot Noras Stand home for a Birth Day present for her. she will be 9 years old tomorrow morning.

Dec 1 Cloudy & cold. Nora is up early. is much pleased with her present. Drew 25 Dollars at the Buckeye. spent much of the Day in Town. wind in south and is moderating a little.

Dec 2 Clear & frosty. took Jerry Hall some Pickle Pork. attend the Sale of Samuel French (Deceased). bought a large bay Mare for which I am to Pay one hundred and fifty three Dollars a wheat Fan & some other articles amounting in all to 166 Dollars. brot the mare home with me. spent the evening in Town. Richard Ramsden Died about noon. he has been feeble along time. sun shone Pleasant all Day.

Dec 3 Clear & cold but moderated a little in middle of the Day. turned colder towards evening. I Sat by the fire all Day. Brother Geo went up to Wm Townsends where he is ironing a wagon.

Dec 4 Cloudy & cold. walked out to Widow (Samuel) Frenchs. settled overdue account by giving my note for 167 45/100 Doll Due in nine months. called (on my way out) at Harriet Arners where I met Thomas Ramsden of Pittsburgh. caled at Williamsons Sawmill. from there I walked over to Stouts "Oil Well". they were pumping Oil in considerable quantities. called on my way home at John Gordons where of course I spent some time. took Diner came from the wood choppers at Thomas Wilsons. Paid Ephraim Smith 5 Dollars. stormed and snowed all Day. Blowed hard from west. at bedtime is very cold.

Dec 5 Cloudy & very cold. Mercury below Zero. we butchered 4 of our hogs. cut them up and got them ready to Salt. Jacob Coy helped us. was a cold job. froze hard all Day and at night it is too cold to go to bed.

Dec 6 Clear & very cold. got up early could not keep warm in bed. attended the Funeral of Richard Ramsden. helped lower his corpse into its final resting Place. his life was an eventful and interesting one. Peace be with now and forever. shod our horses in

afternoon. snowed and blowed tremendously at 4 O'clock PM and at 6 is much warmer. Lu is Down to Jacobs.

Dec 7 Cloudy & considerable warmer. salted Down my Pork. in afternoon assorted some brick as the weather is moderate to Day. the Brick layers are at work. in evening wrote a line to Mr A McNaught of Alliance Stark Co Ohio.

Dec 8 Cloudy but still cold. assorted brick most of the Day. got Done that job. Uriah Wilson Paid me 20 Dollars on account. I Paid Charles Davis for our new extention Table 19 80/100 Dollars. Bricklayers got along fine to Day at Brookes Block. Mitchel hauls coal. Roads are splendid. Edward Bonsall got home with his Horse & Tolertons Buggy that was Stolen 2 weeks ago. Caught the thief at Connellsville Fayette Co Penn. he is now in Uniontown Jail awaiting a requisition from our Governor.

Dec 9 Cloudy & weather much the Same. Pleasant winter as one could wish. J T Brooks Paid me 225 55/100 Doll on Pidgeons account and ten as my own wages for assorting brick. Paid Thomas Spencer one hundred of it and took a Deed for the lot bot of him on East Broadway. Paid all the little Debts I owe & have some money left. made George Gibbs an offer for his lot on Main Street (more than it is really worth) but it is worth more to me than to any one else. Margaret was down to see Father Goulbourn. he is quite feeble. Nora goes Down to Joels to stay all night.

Dec 10 Cloudy & Pleasant. attend church. wind blowed considerable and is pretty cold. Parker Pillsbury Preached with his usual ability.

Dec 11 Cloudy & warmer. walked out Thomas Wilsons and back twice. wood choppers are Doing fine. Mitchel hauled a load of Hay from Chalkley Harris for Charles Grizell. roads are as good as can be but at sunsett it threatens a storm. is very Dark at 7 O'clock PM.

Dec 12 Clear & Pleasant. very warm. Drew one hundred Dollars at the Buckeye and Paid my Taxes 80 32/100. blacksmithed some. ironing my wagon. clouded up toward night.

Dec 13 Cloudy and colder. George & went out to Albany & brot our hog home that had been taken there in a mistake. found it in a Pen. no trouble to get it as he knew it was not his. spent the ballance of the Day in Town. Uriah Wilson Paid his brick bill 51 30/100 Doll but it came like Drawing teeth. snowed a little in afternoon.

Dec 14 Cloudy with ground covered with Snow. cold all Day. Mitchell hauled coal and Manure. I made 2 little hand sleds for christmas presents for 2 little Boys up Town. Brother Jesse is to iron them. I took them up to his shop. spent the evening at Joels store. Roads still as good as can be.

Dec 15 Clear & cold. stars are shining bright as I ever Saw them as I write at 6 O'clock

AM. spent the forenoon in Town. in afternoon went over and spent a few hours with Father Goulbourn. he is failing quite perceptably. spent the evening at brother Jesses with several neighbors. came home about 11 O'clock.

Dec 16 Cloudy and cold. snowed some in forenoon but not enough to cover the ground. moderated in afternoon. was out to see the wood choppers. they are Doing fine. spent the evening in Town. Uncle Silas "OLd Jerry" Died this morning.

Dec 17 Cloudy and a little warmer. attend church. in afternoon we visited Simeon Sharps. spent a very pleasant afternoon. thawed a very little. came home before Dark. slept in the chair all the evening. feel Dull in consequence.

Dec 18 Cloudy & cold. stormed considerable but not enough snow for sledding. Mitchel is hauling wood to Day. I gummed my X cut Saw and filed it up. wore out 70 cents worth of files. spent a portion of the Day in Town.

Dec 19 Cloudy & cold. mitchel hauled one load of wood. I made platform over Joel McMillens well. cold job but we got the pump in. in afternoon Mitchel & I helped Benj Hilman Raise his wood house after which I shod one of our Horses. Golie Hise arrived at noon on his way home from New York. he looks well. is getting colder at sundown with some more snow. blowed cold most of the afternoon.

Dec 20 Cloudy & very cold. 4 Degrees below Zero. after breakfast Mitchel took several of us up to Town and brot washer woman out. Golie and I looked the Buckeye over. went from there to the coal shaft. he went on over to Father Goulbourns & I came home. is too cold to run about. spent the afternoon at home.

Dec 21 Clear & very cold. Mercury indicates 16 Degrees below Zero. the coldest weather we have had for 8 years. bought some Christmas Toys and presents in all amounting to 15 Dollars. is awful cold all Day. have not been able to melt the frost off our Dining room windows all Day. Golie & Geo has gone shooting. I would not give much for what they will get to Day. (are back at Dusk with one Partridge).

Dec 22 Cloudy and cold but has evidently moderated a little. went with Stephen Adams to the lumber yard where we settled his account. from there went to his hosue where we righted up our accounts. have not got quite all the items yet that I have furnished for his house. in afternoon took Golie over to grandfather Goulbourns. snowed and blowed hard. came home by Town and brot Sis out. it commenced to rain & freeze at Dark. brot Luce up from brother Jacob through the Rain.

Dec 23 Cloudy & much warmer. is thawing fast. took Six of our Turkeys up Town. bought Margaret a Table cloth cost 6 50/100 Doll. thundered & lightning at 11 O'clock. 29 hours since the Mercury indicated 16 Degrees below Zero a sudden change. verily raining at noon. Spent most of the afternoon at home. went up toward evening & Paid my wood choppers.

Dec 24 Cloudy warm and moderate. Golie Sis Ed & Lou went over to Father Goulbourns. I attended church and in afternoon commenced fixing up for Christmas. found my moss frozen that gave me some trouble but I got pretty well arranged by 9 O'clock.

Dec 25 Cloudy and moderate. got up early and found the Christmas Table well filled with Presents. all got a share and all are jovial & happy. Lucie is enjoying herself much. Nora is all aglee. has so many presents some that are quite valuable. among is a good mahogany Rocking chair. at 1 O'clock we all Sat Down to as good a Turkey as could be wished. Robinson the cooper was out to trade for my engine & machine shop but we could not trade. he thought I asked him too much boot money. spent the evening at home. (roads muddy).

Dec 26 Cloudy & colder. Bought large tin pan. Oysters & Crackers. Golie & Geo went Down to Sister Unas. I started from here at 10 O'clock expecting to meet them there but they had left before I got there. I returned home at once and found them here when I got back. spent the afternoon at home. Parker Pillsbury came out about 4 O'clock PM. took Supepr and spent a few hours with us. wish he could have tarried with us all night but other engagements prevented him doing so.

Dec 27 Cloudy & cold. all hands up early this morning. Golie & Geo & I took our Beef to get Slaughtered. from there (Samuel Streets) we walked over to Joseph Saxons. after spending a few hours & taking Diner with them we returned home. I came around by the woodchoppers to see how they were getting along. Golie Margaret & I took Supper with Brother Jesse (Sis also). came home and found Aunt Libbie very bad with congestion of the lungs having taken some cold.

Dec 28 Clear & cold. Aunt Lib had a hard night of it. had the Doctor here most of the night. I spent most of the Day in Town. Doctor out twice to Day. Aunt Lib is better.

Dec 29 Cloudy and moderate winter weather. snowed some. was out to see woodchoppers. went to look at Mrs Watterworths timber she wants me to Buy. made an offer for it am to know tomorrow if she accepts it.

Dec 30 Cloudy and is some warmer. Golie Hise left for home this morning. Mrs Watterworth accepts my offer for her timber as follows 33 1/3 cents per hundred feet for Oak 30 cents per hundred for sugartree hickory & Beech and 60 cents per cord for the wood. what I Do not otherwise use I am to cut into log rolling lengths. grew warmer all Day and in afternoon rained some. Roads are some sloppy.

Dec 31 Cloudy & warmer. thundered several times through the Day. walked out to see some of the wood that the Darkies are putting up. want no more of it. gave them notice to quit. from there walked over to Joseph Saxons. went in the rain over to his farms to look at the colts. got "wet to the skin". got home about Dark. stripped of my wet

clothes and put on Dry ones and was soon comfortable again. Played a few games of Ucher before going to bed. Rained hard at 9 O'clock PM. frost out about 3 inches.

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Jan 1 Cloudy & colder. mud about all frozen up again this morning. Mitchel is Oiling our Harness as the roads are now too hard for the Team to make it profitable. got a new coat of Robt Justice cost 12 Dollars for everyday wear. spent the Day in Town Doing nothing. came home with Sis in evening.

Jan 2 Cloudy & cool. ground froze hard again. Drew $214.73 cents of J T Brooks. he still owes me 1000 Dolls. Paid Hagen 28 78/100 Doll. spent the Day in Town to but little purpose as yet Developed. thawed in the middle of the Day. will freeze a little to night. Play a few games of Ucher with Johny but soon get tired and go to bed.

Jan 3 Cloudy and moderate. borrowed Philip Evans saw & sett Jo Johnson to cutting sawlogs. spent the Day in Town.

Jan 4 Cloudy & muddy. spent the forenoon in Town showing a Mr Rakestraw through the Buckeye Machine Shop. wrote a letter to Sister Phebe of Iowa. Dark and Dull at 4 O'clock PM.

Jan 5 Clear & warmer. sun shone very pleasant all Day. I walked all Day. was over considerable of Goshen & Perry Townships to but little purpose. think I shall walk less and work more in future.

Jan 6 Cloudy and colder. mud all froze up this morning. spent the entire Day in Town. settled with John Vernon gave me his note for 161 82/100 Drawing 8 per cent interest from Date. Paid Douglass Campbell 32 Dollars for wood bought of him. Paid our wood choppers and coal bill. thawed none to Day.

Jan 7 Clear & cold. sun is shining Pleasant as I write at 8 O'clock. Margaret & I attended church. roads very rough. Parker Pillsbury came out. took Diner and spent a few hours very pleasantly with us. always glad to see him.

Jan 8 Cloudy & colder. Blacksmithed some but Sat by the fire most of the Day reading Gibbon. spent the evening at Joels with Parker Pillsbury. snowed some in evening but not enough for sledding. Harriet Arner called and took Diner with us and spent the afternoon. she is looking well. Mark Twain lectures.

Jan 9 Cloudy and cool. got ready and butchered our Big hog. heavy job. she is very fat. will weigh at least 400. Sold 76 1/2 lb of it John Baker to make into lard. Luie has a letter from Harry and she is in a Peck of trouble about it But we will see her through it.

Jan 10 Clear & fine. took Bakers Pork to him. Mitchell hauled Manure. I spent the Day in Town. Read the account of the assasination of Jim Fisk Jr of New York. created a great sensation. Doc Able Carey Died this morning at 2 O'clock. his Horse running away

with him caused his Death. he will be missed as much or perhaps more than anyother Man in the neighborhood.

Jan 11 Clear & pleasant. thawed considerable. Mitchel hauled coal. made Johny a pair of skates. Alfonzo Sheets is here. roads good.

Jan 12 Clear & as pleasant as April. finished Johnys skates. salted our meat. spent a good portion of the Day in Town. Mitchel hauled coal. roads are getting Dry. this evening I got Luie to read the Millers Maid. we both cried for joy.

Jan 13 Clear & pleasant in forenoon but clouded up & snowed a little toward night. Doctor Abel Carey burried to Day. Funeral very large throng Day in Town. Wilson & Fawcett Sold their Horse English Tom for About 1500 Dollars.

Jan 14 Cloudy & cold with a very little snow. attend church. from there we (Margaret Nora & Luie) went out to Harriet Arners. spent the afternoon very Pleasantly indeed. spent the evening at Joels. Marius Robinson & Emily Laura Barnaby & Daughter & Parker Pillsbury was there. the latter called in on his way home and borrowed another volume of "Gibbons Decline and fall of the Roman Empire" as he is now exposing the frauds by which early Christianity got a footing and by which it is yet being Propagated.

Jan 15 Cloudy & cold. George & I went out to Lewis Williamsons Sawmill& Stuck up 120 joice and it just about played me out. took Diner with Williamsons. got home about sunsett tired enough. snowed considerable but no sleighing yet. go early to bed.

Jan 16 Cloudy & moderate winter. Bought 2 gallons of Molasses cost 80 cts per gallon. snowing moderately at noon. looks as though we might have sleighing. spent the afternoon at the Buckeye reading the papers. snowed all the afternoon and at Dark is pretty good sleighing. Came out with Sis. Malisa Hunt came with us on her way over to Thomas Sharps. Hannah met us with the cutter Driving Jim. took Malisa as far as the Great gate.

Jan 17 Clear & pleasant this morning. hauled sawlogs in forenoon. in afternoon I settled with Snider & Woodruff. they owed me some 7 Dollars. roads good.

Jan 18 Cloudy & cold. hauled sawlogs all Day. snowed in afternoon and evening. sledding is now first rate. attended a meeting in Town Hall. called for the purpose of nominating water Commissioners but it adjourned without a nomination as the Majority of the meeting was evidently not in favor of erecting waterworks at Present.

Jan 19 Cloudy with plenty of snow to haul logs. hauled until noon when it got too stormy. snowed some and then it rained. snow melted fast. cleaned up and took to mill 10 bushel of wheat. in evening attended another nominating convention. had an interesting time but candidates were nominated who are pledged not to exceed 20,000 Dollars in erecting water works. to morrow they are to be elected and Doubtless there

will be a close contest. roads are very slippery.

Jan 20 Cloudy & moderate. hauled one log on the ice. hauld our fodder into the Barn in forenoon. has quit thawing at noon. the sledding is still quite good. spent the afternoon town. exciting election which resulted in the election of the Limited Trustees by a majority of 181. still soft and wet at Bedtime.

Jan 21 Cloudy & colder with enough snow to make Sleighing tolerable. the whole Family with the exception of Margaret & I went Down to Alexandria to see Peter Heitman. Margaret & I was out to John Gordons where we met a host of Friends Parker Pillsbury Mr Bradford and others. came home about 8 O'clock. found the rest had got home. snowed a little through the Day.

Jan 22 Cloudy & cold. wrote a letter to Sister Phebe of Iowa. sent out 600 Dollars worth of notes and a mortgage for her to transfer to Tacy England who is going to cash them for her. hauled logs but the snow is about out of the road. thawed considerable in afternoon.

Jan 23 Cloudy & cold. Mitchel hauled logs. I helped him load 2 when I went over to see Father Goulbourn. he is comfortable but is fast wearing out. will Doubtless soon close his earthly covers. after taking Diner with them came home and spent Day sitting by the fire. thawed but very little. Geo Hise commenced work at shop.

Jan 24 Cloudy & cold. hauled wood. snowed some but blowed about so that it helped the sledding but little. bought one bushel of Dried Peaches of John Hunt cost 4.18 cts. spent most of the Day in Town. this evening go over to see Father Goulbourn & stay all night.

Jan 25 Clear & cold wind blows so cold Does not thaw any. hauled logs to Day came home early. Father Goulbourn rested well all night last night. Rebecca Lee (Daughter of Isaac Webb burried to Day.

Jan 26 Clear & cold. not so much wind but still cold. Margaret & I attended a Party given by Jesse Duck. was some 60 persons there. had a very pleasant time indeed. came home about 11 O'clock. roads as good as can be. took our broom corn up town to get it made up. learned while there that Father Joseph Goulbourn Died at 1/2 past 8 O'clock this morning. came Directly home & Margaret Sis & I went over. Aaron Antrim & Jesse Hawley were Dressing him when we got there. Saw when he was laid out looks very natural & composed. his end was peaceful. will be buried on Monday next. his age is 83 years 1 month and 20 Days. Born in Chesshire England. Married at Philadelphia in March 1819. his wife still surviving him. is well they lived happily together almost 53 years.

Jan 27 Cloudy and partially clear by intervals. got horse shod. was out to Thomas Frenchs to give some Directions about Father Goulbourns Coffin. Settled with J T

Brooks. he owed me 950 Dollars. drew 450 of it and took his notes for the ballance payable at stated periods to suit me. Settled with Buckeye Co. the owed me 790.17 cts. put enough to it to raise it to 1200 Dollars and took their note at 8 per cent interest per Annum. Due first of April next but hope to be able to leave it there much longer. Paid all the wood choppers and my Threshing bill 13.33 cts. thawed a little but roads are as good as can be. Mitchel went to Beloit this afternoon. Paid him 2 Dollars on account. (Samuel Sheets is here to night.

Jan 28 Cloudy and moderate with a little more snow. Luie washed and combed me and I feel much the better for it. have an intolerable cold. rested poorly last night in consequence. attend meeting. Mr Underhill gave us a very interesting discourse on the Darwinism Theory. he made it seem plausable. Margaret is over to Grandmother Goulbourns. Luie is Down at Brother Jacobs eating Turkey. I am seated at the triangular (figure drawn) Table making a note of it to wile away the time. in evening I went to hear Mr Pike. he outdid himself. had a good audience that appeared to be well pleased with his Lecture. weather is getting colder again. Mitchel returned this afternoon. roads are icy and as sollid as can well be.

Jan 29 Cloudy and very cold. Mercury 4 Degrees below Zero. after breakfast hitched Charlie to Carriage took Margaret Nora & Luie over to Father Goulbourns Funeral. stopped in Town & bought Margaret a pair of Arctic overshoes cost 2.00. we left the house about 12 O'clock M and at the Baptist Church had a Funeral Discourse by Mr Lamb that to me was all Latin or at least incomprehenible. he was burried in the Old Baptist burrying and was burried as nice and Satisfactory as any one I ever saw. every one connected with seemed to take pains to Do it well. Mother stood the trip firstrate altho the weather is so intensely cold. went back and after partaking of Refreshments came home. brot Sis Nora & Luie. Margaret stays all night. I went up to hear the Oration on Thomas Paine this his 135th Aniversary. Mr Underwood Delivered it and well did he acquit himself. all adjourned to the Buckeye where they have a sumptuous Supper and Dance. I Did not stay as I was alone. still extremely cold at bedtime.

Jan 30 Cloudy and most Desparately cold. too cold to haul. broke our cistern pump. took it out & repaired it. got a silver spoon out of it that had been in it 6 or 7 years yes 8 years. it is as good as ever. brot Margaret home from Grandmother Goulbourns. weather is very cold. in evening went up to a lecture by John Davis (a Black man). Concert Hall was more crowded than ever I saw it before. he must have made 200 Dollars a lucky strike for him.

Jan 31 Cloudy and cold. took Jo Smith a load of straw and hauled 2 loads of wood. Geo Henshilwood & I called in to Jesse Ducks. took the Demension of his Book Case. Geo is going to make us one about like it. we took the stuff (Black walnut) up to Richard Garrigues Shop where he is going to make it. I will help him what I can.

Feb 1 Clear & cold. Mitchel hauled wood. I spent the Day in Town. helped a little at the Bookcase. Done schores of one kind another. put in the whole Day Doing but little.

John Baker paid me five Dollars owes me 1 Dollar & 12 cents yet.

Feb 2 Clear & cold. Mitchel hauled wood. I spent the Day in Town. bought a new wash tub a large wooden Bowl a new Lamp. repaired 2 old ones. went with Luie to C B Strattons where she got her foot measured for a Pair of shoes to cost 3 50/100 Doll. thawed a little to Day. got a letter from Sister Phebe. Isaac Snider Paid me 10 Dollars on account. ground hog saw his shadow.

Feb 3 Cloudy with 2 inches of snow. we all spent the Day at home. had visitors A Mr Suliot and his cousin who is also a nephew of Richard D Webb of Dublin Ireland at whose request the Young Man visited us. we were much pleased to have him call always glad to hear from R D W. Sleighing is Pretty good. brot Luie a pair of as handsome shoes (that she got C B Stratton to make for her) as I ever saw and as good as they are handsome.

Feb 4 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. air looks full of snow this morning. spent the entire Day at home. writ a letter to Sister Phebe of Iowa. George Henshilwood called out but Did not stay long. told us his Brother James Died on monday last aged 72 years. Geo is now the only one left out of 10 Brothers. so we go.

Feb 5 Cloudy and warmer. Mitchel hauled logs. got quite soft in afternoon. is muddy close to Town. I assisted Henshilwood a little at the Bookcase. Joshua Hilliards wife Died this morning. been sick sometime. snow is Disappearing fast.

Feb 6 Cloudy & warmer at 7 O'clock. commenced to snow and in a couple of hours the sledding is good again. Mitchel & I hung up our meat and put a smoke under it by noon. Foney Sheets is here to Diner is on his way to New York. Mitchel hauled logs in afternoon. I helped Henshilwood at the Bookcase. spent the evening at home looking over my Old Journal.

Feb 7 Clear & cold. Jacob came in at 6 O'clock saying that his Motherinlaw (Mrs Walker) had just Passed away. she has been confined to her bed but a short time. I seen to getting her coffin. attended the Funeral of Joshua Hilliards wife. Parker Pillsbury took Supper with us. Luie is poorly to Day. hope she will soon be better.

Feb 8 Clear & cool. shod Charlie in forenoon. in afternoon attended the funeral of Brother Jacobs Motherinlaw. she was burried in the Baptist burrying ground. thawed a very little in afternoon. Luie is poorly.

Feb 9 Clear & warmer. spent the Day in Town. bought some Oysters & crackers for Luie. she is some better but is quite poorly yet. thawed fast this afternoon. sledding is gone up.

Feb 10 Clear & pleasant. to Day Sis is 29 years old. I must go in search of a girl to Day as Hannah wants to quit. went Down to Nick Betzes but got no girl. his are all engaged. came home by & stopped at Jerry Zimmermans to see a couple of Colts he has that Match

well. I offer to trade them for our two cows that we want to dispose of. says he will come over and see the cows. I will trade if I can as the Colts are nice ones. Drew money & paid my woodchoppers as usual. Luie is much worse this afternoon so much so that we are getting alarmed lest she may not recover. I stayed up with her until about 11 O'clock by which time she appeared better. (Hannah left).

Feb 11 Clear & very pleasant this morning. Margaret stayed with Luie all night. she rested well after midnight and this morning seems some better. hope it may continue. Margaret & I went to meeting. Parker Done better if possible than usual. Day pleasant. frost coming out fast. Paid Hannah Bennett of 16.06 cts.

Feb 12 Clear & warm. Mitchel & I hauled Straw to Town. roads are muddy. Luie is much better to Day. Margaret is Doing all her house work now but I fear she will soon give out unless I can get some help for her.

Feb 13 Cloudy and warm. Mitchel & I put the conductor at the South end of Strawhouse just in time to catch the shower as it rained soon after. spent the afternoon in Town. turned colder at sunsett. roads are very muddy but will be froze up by morning.

Feb 14 Cloudy & cold. snow on the ground froze hard this morning. Done nothing to Day is too cold and roads so rough will not take our Horses out. Luie is getting better.

Feb 15 Cloudy & cold. 1/2 soled my boots. attended the Funeral of Old Mrs Barsley in afternoon. freezing hard all the time. we Do nothing but sit by the fire.

Feb 16 Cloudy & a trifle warmer. Mitchel & I carried the Carpet rags up to Agnes Henshilwood. she is going to weave it for Sis. spent the Day in Town. Luie is worse again to Day. thawed a very little. Sold Jo Saxon 2 calves for 30 D.

Feb 17 Cloudy & some warmer. repaired our Barnyard pump. took the Calves up Town where we met Charlie Saxon. he took them home. Mitchel hauled Stephen a load of coal. I spent the Day in Town. got Tacy England to cash Phebe Henshilwoods notes that she held against A B Pidgeon calling for Six Hundred Dollars.

Feb 18 Cloudy and moderate winter. snowed about all Day. thawed some. we waited until about noon for Lizzie Goucher & Harriet Arner to come over but as they Did not come we (Margaret Nora & I) went over to Arners where we met Joseph Saxon & his Family altogether. we had quit a visit. Mrs Goucher returns home tomorrow. we came home about sunsett found Luie some better. James Henshilwood was here and spent the evening with us.

Feb 19 Cloudy with weather just the Same. Margaret & I went over to see mother Goulbourn. she is pretty well. took Diner with them after which we came home. I spent the afternoon in Town. Mitchel hauled manure.

Feb 20 Cloudy & moderate. Bought a Draft on New York for Phebe Henshilwood calling for 600 Dollars sent by mailto her at hartford warren County Iowa. took Luie Down to Brother Jacobs to stay a Day or two. she is still poorly. had an explosion at the Buckeye. tore out one side of the Engine (or Boiler) house but no one I believe was seriously hurt.

Feb 21 Cloudy & Pleasant. Mitchel hauled manure all Day. I looked it up about town. Old Mrs Steel burried to Day. thawed some and roads are quite muddy. Howel took Mother Gaunt home. is going to stay all night.

Feb 22 Cloudy & cold ground frozen hard and rough cannot haul to Day. is quite too rough was Down to Jacobs to see Luie. she is yet quite poorly. spent most the Day in Town.

Feb 23 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard last night. started on foot to hunt a girl. walked over a good part of Butler Township. finally got the promise of one in two weeks her name is Rachel Pidcock. took diner at Mrs. Heardinger. on my home called to see Old George Burns. he is very nearly through this world and its cares. cleared off and sun shone very pleasant. Mud dried up fast.

Feb 24 Clear & pleasant. is Pleasant as may out of Doors. Luie is better this morning. Mitchel & I tore Down our Old Tyle shed. having sold it. in afternoon Mitchel hauled a load of Coal from the Shaft. rained a little in evening. David Satterthwaits 3rd Wife burried to Day. Luie is so much worse to night. that I hitched Charlie to the Carriage and went up Town & brot Doctor Rush out to see her. took him back again. Esq Geo Burns Died at 7 am.

Feb 25 Cloudy & windy. wind blew very hard last night. Luie feels better this morning. Rush called out to see her. Margaret & I attended meeting. turned cold Suddenly and at 1 O'clock the mud is frozen hard. spent the afternoon at home.

Feb 26 Clear & pleasant. will thaw a little to day. I spent the entire Day in Town. got John Hunt to buy George Gibbs lot (adjoining mine on Main Street) for me. he agrees to pay Gibbs 2000 Dollars cash on the first of April one hundred of which he paid Down and Articled. he will now transfer the Article to me. George Burns was burried at noon. came to the vicinity of Salem (where he has lived ever since) in 1804. lived with his wife 54 yrs.

Feb 27 Clear & cool. ground froze hard and roads rough. hauled our Tyle shed up Town. in afternoon sawed of 18 white oak blocks for foundation for it. (water at the Barn gave out).

Feb 28 Clear & cool but very Pleasant. hauled our Oak blocks one load of coal & 1 load of wood. I spent most of the Day in Town Doing but little. walked out to Simon Lamers to see how my wood choppers are getting along. have lots of wood to cut yet. Luie is

still quite poorly. walked up since Dark for advice & medicine of the Doctor for her and as I write (in half an hour afterwards) she seems easier.

Feb 29 Clear & cool. Mitchel hauld coal & wood. I spent the Day in Town. assisted Donnelly Carr & Co to raise the Shed I sold them. got it up very snug. wrote a letter to Dr M M De Fond of Cawken City Mitchel Co Kansas asking information concerning a pair of Elk horns advertised for Sale. would like to get them. Luie is still poorly.

Mar 1 Clear & very cold. Mitchel hauled coal. I spent some of the Day in Town and the ballance with Luie. she is some better to Day. bought her some Coaco in place of coffee which by the by is an excellent substitute. I Drank a couple of cups of it for my Supper & find it splendid. sun shone pleasantly all Day but thawed not a bit in the Shade.

Mar 2 Cloudy & cold to day. Wilson & Fawcett sold out their Livery Stock amounting to 3700 Dollars. Long Island Jackson was purchased by Julius Voter at 600 Dollars. I spent the most of the Day in Town. wrote a letter to Luies Father John Kershaw. he works in Cleveland Ohio. Mitchel is absent this afternoon & night.

Mar 3 Clear & cool. Margaret & I attended church. came Directly home and stayed there all Day. thawed none. roads are Dusty. Luie still Poorly. Margaret & I are with her to night. Mitchel returned to night.

Mar 4 Cloudy & cold. snowed and blowed tremendously this forenoon so much that Mitchel did not go out in forenoon. I stayed with Luie all Day. she is some better to Day. Nora is at Joels to night.

Mar 5 Clear & most Damed cold. mercury 8 Degrees below Zero. I spent most of the Day in Town. Jehu B Strawn (a Baptist Trustee) Paid me 50 Dollars on account of Brick furnished. Old Sarah Wilson (relict of Isaac Wilson long since Deceased) Died this afternoon. she has lived in Salem since the Spring of 1826. cold all Day. mercury 4 Degrees abelow Zero at 12 O'clock M.

Mar 6 Clear & cold but is some warmer than on yesterday. Luie had a hard night but she ate some & sit up a few minutes in a chair and as I write at 1/2 past 8 is feeling better. Sis has gone over to Mother Goulbourns to stay a Day or two. I stayed at home all Day. Mitchel hauled wood & coal.

Mar 7 Clear & a little warmer. Luie is mending slowly. I spent most of the Day in Town. helped George Henshilwood come at the Bookcase. thawed a little but made no mud. wind Dried the ground as fast as it thawed out. the roads are quite Dusty. Aunt Mary Gee is with us to night.

Mar 8 Cloudy & cool. commenced to storm snow about 10 O'clock. I attended the Funeral of Old Sarah Wilson. Funeral Services at the Presbyterian Church. Did not go to the Cemetery. stormed & snowed hard about noon. sleeted some in afternoon. I sat by

the fire all the afternoon & evening.

Mar 9 Cloudy & warmer. took Charlie & Carriage went out to Valley and brot our hired girl. got home at 1 O'clock. roads are excellent thawing moderately. Paid Mitchel 5 Dollars. Paid the choppers. Bough Johny a Pair of boots only cost 3 Dollars but that is Doubtless as much as they are worth. Margaret & I with Nora spent the evening with & at Joel McMillen. Parker Pillsbury was with us.

Mar 10 Cloudy & cold. ground froze up this morning. Margaret & I attended meeting. Parker Pillsbury Delivered his last lecture to Day at least for the Present. he goes from here to Cincinnatti. spent the Ballance of the Day at home sitting by the fire.

Mar 11 Clear & pleasant out of Doors. looks like spring this morning. nursed Luie last night. she had rather a hard time of it. Mitchel is hauling wood. I spent the Day in Town.

Mar 12 Cloudy & cool. Mitchel hauled wood. I Done some turning for Our Book Case and assisted George some. have it nearly Done now. Luie is better to Day.

Mar 13 Cloudy and some warmer. cleaned 10 bushel of wheat & sent it to mill. thawed some to Day and looks some like rain. Public Sale of Iowa Horses in Town to Day. I think it is the first one of its kind ever had in Salem. Bought a Brahnah Rooster weighs 9 pounds cost one Dollar. Luie is still mending.

Mar 14 Clear & warm. hired a Darkey to come and help us clean out our Barn Cistern. it was very Dirty. got it Done by noon. Mitchel hauled Stephen Adams a load of coal. I spent the Day in Town. Clouded up and snowed about as fast as I ever saw it and at bedtime is Still at it. Luie is very sick yet. appears to get little relief.

Mar 15 Clear & pleasant. hauled 2 saw logs before the snow melted much. cut a nice white Oak stick & took it to Daniel Boltons to make a new Pump for the Barnyard. got Sea Sick and had to bedown most of the afternoon.

Mar 16 Clear & pleasant but still plenty of snow. Mitchel & I made our Pump in forenoon. in afternoon I was in Town looking around. hired Austen Walker to offbear brick this coming sumer. am to Pay him 40 cents per thousand and board him at 2.50 cts per week. his brother Jo is to temper for 35 cents and I to board him the Same. Luie has a hard time now.

Mar 17 Cloudy & rough. Luie is some better but is yet far from being well. she now thinks of going back to Canton to see if she cannot recruit her health there. the Doctor Says she requires some time to get well. we all stayed at home to Day. in evening we were agreeably surprised to have Thomas Sharp & wife call over to spend the evening. he brot a coppy of "Junus Letters" that are just causing some curiosity. I had never saw a coppy.

Mar 18 Clear but not warm. Mitchel & I put our new pump in its place at the Barn. had a heavy tug at it. have it now nearly ready for operation (when it rains). Margaret went up to John C Whinneys and had a cast of her gums taken for a whole sett of teeth. Luie is a little better but is unable to go to Canton to Day.

Mar 19 Cloudy and cool with heavy black clouds hovering in the northwest which at 7 O'clock came hurling up and emptied a gust of snow. terrible to see now when we should be plowing but in afternoon is endurable but still chilly. Bought Plank Shovels Pump etc. hauled boards for shed. will now commence testing for water at the Brickyard. made fasteners for our Bookcase Doors. have it now about finished. it is complete.

Mar 20 Cloudy & colder with more snow. is too cold to Dig to Day. bought some Oat Meal for Luie & Bought some navy beans for ourselves. wrote a short letter to Luies Father (John Kershaw) of Cleveland. Sat at home most of the Day. is cold & blustering all Day. ground covered with Snow & thaws none. got a letter from Phebe saying she got her money.

Mar 21 Clear & cold. wind fresh from north. Done nothing to Day but loaf around Town. Margaret got her new teeth to Day. they fit very nice. thawed a little. Luie thinks she will be able to go to Canton tomorrow. hope she may as she is now unhappy for the want of a chance to go.

Mar 22 Clear & pleasant but still cool. got Jehu B Strawn to give me the lines of the streets that cross in the Brickyard lot. came from thence home and at 10 O'clock am getting ready to Start to Canton with Luie Kershaw. must see her safe home as she is sick. returned at 6 O'clock PM. found all well. got Luie safe home . she stood the ride very well.

Mar 23 Cloudy & cold. spent most of the Day in Town. Jennings trial on hand Did not attend. the man he had arrested for robbing him has 21 witnesses here to prove that he was in Canton that night. the trial lasted all Day and resulted in binding Jones (the supposed problem over to court.

Mar 24 Clear & some warmer. walked over to Mrs Gordons. she is quite miserable indeed. came home and found Margaet absent at Mother Goulbourns. wrote a letter to Luie Kershaw of Canton Ohio. Margaret returned in time to assist me in packing up Luies Bed & Bedding which we will send to her tomorrow.

Mar 25 Cloudy & cool. Mitchel is absent this forenoon having gone out somewhere on yesterday. Johny & I hitched up the team and took Luies Box up to Rail Road. I saw it shipped & prepaid the freight (25 cts). rained some in afternoon & evening. sold one of my Houses up town the one on lot No 1 Davis Edition to a Irishman that works on the Rail Road and owns considerable Property about the Station. he is to give me 200 Dollars cash the 14th of April next which will help me along amazingly. George Heckler Died.

Mar 26 Cloudy but no more rain at Present. finished our Barnyard pump and got the foundation ready for water. spent good portion of the Day at town considerable of the time at the Buckeye. Sold Simeon Sharp 10 cords of Hickory & Sugar wood for 3 Dollars per cord. cool with little prospects of Rain.

Mar 27 Clear & frosty with ground foze hard this morning. Sun shone very pleasant all Day. frost came out fast. James Philips butchere our Calf. it is very nice indeed. Mitchel hauled wood. I spent the Day in Town Doing about nothing except to make an iron wedge & Pump nozel.

Mar 28 Clear & pleasant. sold George Trimble a quarter of veal for which he Paid me 2 58/100 Doll. Mitchel hauled wood to Simeon Sharps. I Done but little. sat about Town most of the Day.

Mar 29 Cloudy & threatens rain. went out to L Williamsons sawmilland Put Roof on my joice. called at Joseph Saxons (on my way home) to see how his Eye was. it is getting worse all the time. a cancer will evidently eat it out. I pity him but can Do no more as that is impossible to cure. called in at Harriet Arners and stayed until after Diner. came onto Town. learned on my arrival that Mrs Nelson Steele expired at 11 O'clock. left an interesting family of children and a Husband disconsolate. how irreparible the loss!

Mar 30 Cloudy but little Prospects of rain. Mitchel leaves us for a few Days to get married. I must go and hunt another woman helper as the one we have cannot (or will not) Do enough work. went out to Mother Hardingers where I got on the trace of one (her Daughter). she is now at Oneida Mills Carroll Co. I returned home by noon & wrote her a letter. spent the afternoon in Town. Paid Ephraim Smith & Ellwood Arnold for what they have chooped up to this Day. looks like rain. Johny returned from Atwater where he & his Mother has been on a visit a couple of Days.

Mar 31 Cloudy & warm with a good rain last night. got up at 5 O'clock & went with Geo Buel out to Simon Sumers to see my wood. hired him to haul it on the R Road for 40 cents per cord (210 cord). attended church both morning & evening. Abbott of the Index Delivered both Discourses one the ascent of Man the other the trial & Death of Socrates.

Apr 1 Cloudy & cold with ground covered with snow. spent the entire Day in Town. collected and Paid out 1900 Dollars and got the Deed for fraction of lot No 1 Davis Add to Salem (of Geo Gibbs). borrowed one hundred of it of T E Vickers but can return it on the morrow. Election of Borough officers quite spirited. all the votes are being Polled. I took no part in it except to Deposit my ballot. thawed enough to make plenty of mud.

Apr 2 Clear & warm. commenced experimenting for water on my old brickyard. Johny took Rachel Pidcock home as she is too worthless for anything. roads are bad. Mrs Nelson Steele burried to Day. hear nothing from Luie. am getting uneasy lest she is too sick to write. Joseph Fawcett elected Mayor by 27 votes.

Apr 3 Cloudy & colder. am working at the water shaft to Day. put up the Shed so that we need not have to stop for rain and got about 2 feet of gravel out. it is very wet cold all Day. Mitchel returned bringing his wife with him. heard with sorrow that Salem is not to be a Point in the Baltimore & Chicago Rail Road.

Apr 4 Clear & cold. ground froze hard this morning but will from appearances thaw considerable to day. worked all Day at the water works got along very well. Mitchel hauled 2 loads of coal. thawed considerable but will freeze to night.

Apr 5 Clear & cold. ground froze hard this morning. water hole pretty well filled up with water. took us until 8 O'clock to get it out. caved in so much that we shall have to curb it. got Umpstead to pump all night to night.

Apr 6 Cloudy but pleasant. suspended our Digging for water. it caved in so much we could Do nothing with it. concluded to drive a pipe Down & ascertain in that way the amount of water to be had. Drew 30 Dollars of the Commisioners and paid off the hands and at noon took the train for Canton to see how Luie Kershaw was getting along. found her very sick unable to write to us. was with her about one half hour. as I could Do her no good took the Cars for home again where I arrived at 5 O'clock PM. came directly home changed my clothes and went to Town. Done what schores I had to do there & came home at Dusk. cloudy & threatens rain at bedtime.

Apr 7 Cloudy with a little rain last night. repaired the woodwork around out Dining room grate. want to paper & Paint the room. Pack Seeds & Brother Jesse took Diner with us. warm but no rain.

Apr 8 Cloudy & warm. spent the Day in Town. Milton Taylors hands are moving the house I sold to Patrick (the Irishman I have forgotten his name). got a small gas pipe ready to Drive down to find water. Bought 1/2 Dozen knives & forks cost 2 50/100 Doll. bought 1/2 bushel each of Timothy & clover seed cost 5.37 1/2 cts.

Apr 9 Cloudy warm & wet. got our pump at the Barn in operation. 3 feet of water in the cistern. spent a portion of the Day in Town. nothing going on that is worth recording. Mitchel & Johny is making fence. too windy to sow clover seed.

Apr 10 Clear & windy. some cooler this morning but at noon as I write it is very pleasant. worked hard all Day putting Down Pipe and Prospecting for water. it now looks a little Doubtful if I find a supply.

Apr 11 Clear & frosty but no wind blowing this morning. worked up at Lot No 1 boarding up back end of house. having sold one of the hosues they are moving it away to Day. bought 288 feet of pine boards and 24 feet of scantling of Donnelly Carr & Co. got Geo Flecks Son to help me 3 hours. gave him 40 cents. Mitchel & Johny is making fence. Charles Grizell sowed our clover seed.

Apr 12 Cloudy & threatens rain and at 9 O'clock rained. was kind of wet all the forenoon. Luis Keen sent a hand over to help me board up the gable end of the house. was there 3 hours. I rebuilt the coal house. in afternoon cleared off and is very pleasant. Mitchel & Johny still making fence.

Apr 13 Clear & very pleasant this morning. finished my coal house by noon. in afternoon went out to Joseph Ilers and saw his mother Lydia Iler who we have been wanting to get for a long time to come and live with us. she will come on the 27 of this month if I go after her. I will Do that you bet. roads are bad in country they are so rutty.

Apr 14 Clear & cool. Sis & I papered our Dining room. got Done about 3 O'clock after which I wrote Luie Kershaw of Canton a letter. Margaret & Sis is down at Brother Jacobs at 1/2 past 7 as I write. I shall soon go to bed having nothing better to Do.

Apr 15 Cloudy & cold. snowed and blowed from northwest. Mick & I cut and hauled Saw logs. got some of them Sawed and piled out. cold all Day.

Apr 16 Clear & cold. ground froze hard this morning. hauled in a few more logs and then Mick went to Plowing for Oats. I went to town and Paid Geo Henshillwood 45 Dollars for making Book Case. got a letter from Hannah Kershaw of Canton (Luis Mother) saying Luie is yet very sick and requesting me to send the rest of her things home. Joel McMillen gave me a Box that will hold them all. Benj Hilman brot it out for me.

Apr 17 Clear & some warmer. Boxed up Luies effects and shipped them to her at Canton Pre Paid the freight (25 cts) and forwarded the receipt to her. hauled our new Book Case Down to John Garwoods shop to get it varnished. John went over to the Shaft and brot a Cart load of Blacksnith Coal. spent the afternoon in Town.

Apr 18 Cloudy & looks like rain. spent some part of forenoon up at the Buckeye Talking Engine. now talk of getting a Saw mill. cant get my logs Sawed without. I fear will have them Sawed if I have to get a mill. spent the entire Day in Town. no Rain.

Apr 19 Clear & warm. all signs of rain vanished. repaired our iron pump & experimented satisfactorily for water. Drove a pipe down and pumped water to full capapcity of Pump. Luis Keen came down and saw it. thinks it sufficient to warant then in Draining the pond to acertain if possible where the water comes from. Jacob Coy helped me in afternoon. another Furnace meeting to night.

Apr 20 Clear & warm. nailed Slats across our Cellar windows to keep the Cats out as they persist in eating the cream. settled with the water works Trustees and quit the job. must now go to making brick. spent the Day in Town. got our Oats ground plowed.

Apr 21 Clear & warm. hung a small gate to the corner of the Carriage house and fenced

up that part of the Door yard. Geo Henshilwood his Daughter Mary & her husband with several others are here to Diner. they are going to start to Iowa tomorrow. looks like rain at 4 O'clock PM.

Apr 22 Cloudy & cold. a little snow on the boards this morning. Thomas Cowgill our offbearer is here this morning and is going to work. we all worked at the Sawmill to Day hauling in logs and hauling out the boards. Patrick OConner paid me One hundred Dollars and gave me his note four months after Date for one hundred more with interest at 8 per cent. Henshelood and Sister Una took the 5 PM Train for Iowa. wind blowed very cold all Day. will freeze to night. got a letter from Tuff but too late as I have hired another hand. am sorry as I would like to have had him.

Apr 23 Clear & cold this morning. answered Tuffs letter. hauled in logs until it was warm enough to sow Oats. when they comenced Mick sowed & Thomas harrowed it in. Wm Pidgeon came out to tell me they had struck a great vein of water at the brickyard. just what I wanted. got the water works Commisioners to examine it. they were pleased with it. rose 2 1/2 feet above the water in the pond thus conclusively proving that the pond was not the source. got my 2 wild goose plum trees & sett them out in the Grove.

Apr 24 Clear & some cloudy at intervals but little prospects of Rain. Mick & I stuck up boards in forenoon. Thomas is harrowing Oats. in afternoon Mick hauled boards from L Williamsons Millto the Brickyard in Town & brot home 1000 feet of pine fence boards. bought 1 Bushel of Dried apples cost 265 cents 1/2 bushel of white beans for 75 cents.

Apr 25 Clear & warm. got ready to make brick this afternoon. Mick is hauling manure on our Potatoe patch. he took a grist to mill in afternoon & plowed the potatoe patch. we made 1000 brick.

Apr 26 Clear & warm. got up early and spaded one square of the garden. making brick to Day. weather is fine. went in afternoon up to Isaac Mendenhalls & got his horse to temper clay. he is a good one. walked up (3 miles west) got back at sundown.

Apr 27 Cloudy & cool but at noon is cleared off and is quite pleasant. Mick went to mill & brot home a load of coal. hauled Doc Rush 600 brick such as we had. they will do for inside. in afternoon Nora & I went out to Old Mother Hardingers & brot Lydia Iler home ith us. she is going to work for us awhile. rained a little this evening. Mr Gordon brot Nora a fine pet lamb.

Apr 28 Cloudy at sunrise with a little rain last night but at 7 O'clock has cleared off and is pleasant out of Doors. I attended church. Mr Underwood lectured. Margaret went over to Mother Goulbourns. I loafed about the house until 4 O'clock PM then went by way of the Coal Shaft to Town. By invitation called in at Joel Sharps and read the newspaper until meeting hour when he & his family repaired thither.

Apr 29 Clear & cool but very pleasant weather to work. Mick & Johny is boating stone

off the mowing grass. I am now engaged at the Brickyard getting things into shape. made a spud for mr Gordon.

Apr 30 Clear & warm. Mick & I went Down Thomas Vernons & brot a load of Sand to the Brick yard. in afternoon he spread manure in the corn field and I sett a few Brick. made a little garden. Planted our Peas. rained a little but the hands made their Days work.

May 1 Cloudy cooler & Dull. too wet this morning to make brick. I commenced our front fence. got Stephen to help Dig holes. rained at Eleven O'clock and we had to quit. is raining as I write. worked a little in afternoon at my plow but rain outof Borax. Mick & I went out to John Blackburns after a Bull but he had sold him to another party. I should have gone for him a month ago but neglected it. rain appears to be over. for this time is cool.

May 2 Clear & cool early but will soon be pleasant. Stephen & I Dug Post holes and sett some Posts but was too cloudy & Dull to make brick. Johny & Thomas hauled stone off of corn field in afternoon. Mick finished spreading the manure. I went to Town and bought one Hundred pounds of nails cost 6 25/100 Dollars. Drizzled rain & hailed a little. cool all Day.

May 3 Clear at sunrise & cool with considerable frost. the brickyard hands made one thousand brick when the Rain drove them in. I helped Mick pull Stumps outof corn field and he plowed a little in afternoon but is too showery to Do much. we put jewels in the noses of the swine to prevent their rooting and a rough job it was. bought me a pair of shoes cost 1.90 cts.

May 4 Clear & cool at sunrise with lots of frost on the boards. Johny & I made fence until noon. in afternoon took care of brick. clear & pleasant all Day. looks as if rain is over for a few Days at least. Mick is plowing corn ground.

May 5 Clear & cool. big frost. carved a cane head out of a piece of Sandall wood. brot from China by Mr Bradford American Minister to that country & appointed by Abraham Lincoln. helped Sis paper her Room up stairs. Barcley Gilbert called out and spent the afternoon very agreeable to all parties.

May 6 Clear & warm. Johny & I sett fence posts and hacked up our Brick. paid Mick 2 Dollars. he is moving to Day. Plowed sod until about 3 O'clock. the Brickmakers made 4000.

May 7 Clear & warm. Johny & I made the fence in front of the thicket. repaired the wagon & hauled a load of Sand from T Vernons. in afternoon Mick plowed for Geo Trimble. got all the brick that is Dry enough up and covered as it looks a little like rain at sunsett. Johny & I brot our Turkeys from Trimbles. since Dark clipped their wings & put them in the thicket. will try to keep them there.

May 8 Clear and warm. commenced setting brick but at 9 O'clock received a Telegraphic Dispatch from Canton Saying that Luie Kershaw was Dieing. took the mail train in hopes of seeing her but she was unconscious when I arrived at 1/2 past 12. stayed about 3 hours. she still breathes gently but was evidently near her end when I left. her suffering was past. Peace to her is all I can say now. came home at 5.18 found everything had gone right in my absence. Mick offbore to day and Thomas ran the Plow. covered the Brick as it looks some like rain at sunsett. Luie Died at 1/2 past 11 PM.

May 9 Clear & warm. retired late last night. was writing a letter to Hannah Kershaw relating to her Daughter Luie that expired on yesterday. she was a particular favorite of ours & we all feel sad for her loss. sett what brick I could but felt so Dejected and low spirited could Do but little. our work is all progressing right. in evening I went to Samuel Hardmans and Drew 150 Dollars that he had in his hands for me. Geo & I went Down to the Brickyard at 9 O'clock PM & covered the Brick as it looks a little like rain.

May 10 Clear & warm. all signs of rain vanished this morning. Johny & I sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon I hauled a load of Sand & he hacked up the Brick. in evening I bought 25 lb of Coffee of T E Vickers cost 25 cts per lb. still Dry.

May 11 Cloudy & warm at sunrise. worked in the garden until breakfast setting out a bed of Strawberries Descendents of a stock taken from Geo Washingtons garden & Said to be imported by him from Germany 15 years prior to his Death. Johny & I sett and took care of Brick. got all hacked up that is on the yard. have now got 45000 well secured against the rain. very Dry and windy. John Forehope Put in an excellent Stone Culvert at the foot of the hill south of our House. it will stand while he or I live yes long after we are both forgotten. the Best of the Stone were brot from John Gordons.

May 12 Cloudy & cool but no rain. cut a hole through the flat Stone & put it over the well. made a capital job of it. made a good sink for Jacob Coys pump. Mrs Iler (our hired help) took Jim & the Carriage and went home. will be back this evening. wrote a letter to Harry Yondell whose Dieing wife requested me to Do. I have now done all for her I can Do except to cherish her memory. she was a well meaning and interesting little woman. Peace to her memory forever.

May 13 Cloudy & cooler but no frost. made 4200 brick. Johny and I sett brick. Thomas is harrowing corn ground. Brick Does not Dry much. Siss Colt has the Distemper.

May 14 Clear & cool. some frost. Johny & I hauled a load of sand and sett brick. good weather for making. Thomas is marking out our corn ground to Day. in evening I went to Wiley Wards. he is coming to help me plant Corn tomorrow. is now quite Dry.

May 15 Clear warm & Dry. Wiley came on and he & I planted our corn. got Done by 4 O'clock. clouded up and looks like raining but the wind hauled around into the north and is much cooler. I fear we shall have but little rain. went to Town in evening to Talk

waterworks with L B Silver but he was engaged with another party this evening. Sat around among my chums until 8 O'clock and came home. Sprinkled rain a little as I came.

May 16 Cloudy & cool with no rain yet worth the naming. wish it would rain as the ground is now Dry. no Brick making to Day. show on hand. all hands went to it. I went took Mrs Iler & Nora. good circus. warm all Day. Johny helped Chessman plant corn. goes to the Show this evening. I go to town but came home early & go to bed.

May 17 Cloudy smoky Day & cold. took Isaac Mendenhalls Horse home. came back by way of Simon Sumers and got privilege of him to rank & Saw my wood on his premises along side of the Rail Road. Johny & I sett brick in afternoon. looks a little like Rain at 6 O'clock PM.

May 18 Cloudy at sunrise but at seven O'clock is clear with all prospects of Rain vanished. shod Charlie and Thomas & I went and brot a load of Sand. in afternoon I commenced a pair of Brick molds. clouded up and at bedtime is raining.

May 19 Cloudy and ground some wet but not much rain fell yet. made a pair of Brickmolds and carved a cane head. was busy all Day. am happiest when my mind is giving Directions to my hands. when they fail I'm gone up. read the investigation all through and find it full of good things.

May 20 Clear & coolish. took the team and went to James Trotters and bought 400 feet of boards to sett brick on. Bought a yearling Bull of him for 22 1/2 Collars. paid himfor him and sent Thomas back after him. got home by one O'clock. sett some brick. clouded up and Rained in afternoon. clouded up at Ten O'clock and rained most of the afternoon. at Dark is quite wet.

May 21 Clear & pleasant. Our Mare has a fine Horse Colt this morning. Johny & I sett brick all Day. Thomas plowed and marked out the Potatoe patch. cloudy all Day.

May 22 Cloudy & threatens rain. Johny & I sett brick until noon when it rained. have the yard full of green brick. must wait for them to get Dry before making more. a letter came in my care for Lucy Yardell from her Motherinlaw at West Troy. I answered it to night as Poor Lucy is not here to Do it. gone to the Spirit land. Planted potatoes.

May 23 Cloudy & Dull all Day. the Boys plowed and planted our Truck patch in sweet corn Broom corn & cabbage. got 200 plants of Jo Walker. I spent most of the Day in Town. got Leal Bull to give up the contract of hauling 200 cords of wood to R Road in order to let Stewart have the whole contract. he is now to haul Saw and rank up at the R Road for one Dollar per cord. I will have nothing to Do with it except to sell it and get the Pay which may be enough by the time it is Done. Jacob Hulett Paid me 15 Dollars on his house & lot. I Paid 8 50/100 Dollars of tax levied on my Machine shop to pay for grading Broadway.

May 24 Cloudy & cool. got up late and feel Dull & worthless. must have some good weather to cheer me up. cannot be satisfied unless I have something to Do. Thomas hauled coal from shaft. I made 3 silver fennels for canes in forenoon. in afternoon we hauled our Boards from Sawmill. got up 4000 brick. rained some in forenoon. have 4500 yet Down. will get them up tomorrow I hope. Stewart contracted to cut and haul the wood to R Road at one Dollar per cord.

May 25 Cloudy & Dull. made 4000 Brick sett 4000. Clouded cleared off about noon and a fine Day. got all our brick hacked up except those made to Day. got a letter from Hannah Kershaw (Luis Mother) telling me when Luie Died also the Day & hour she was burried.

May 26 Clear & very pleasant. Doing but little to Day but resting. Brother Jesse came out and he & I spent the Day here or at least the most of it. towards evening we walked over to Philip Evans and spent an hour chatting with him when we separated and each one returned to his home. wrote a line to Luis Mother enclosing a coppy of the one I wrote to Harry (Lucys husband and one received from Harrys Mother (Mrs Yondell). edged our brick.

May 27 Cloudy & threatens rain at Daylight. called Johny up & he & I hacked up and covered our brick. got it Done just in time for the rain. shod 2 of our Horses and hauled J W Thomas a cord of wood by noon. in afternoon hauled a load of Sand & a load of slack to Mick. rained a little toward night. got a letter from Parker Pillsbury. will try to answer it.

May 28 Clear & cool this morning. the men made 4000 brick to Day. Johny & I sell brick. got along well. Thomas planted pumpkin seed and worked our early Potatoes. they are nice.

May 29 Clear & cool. made 4000 brick. I took the Mare (Fan) up to the Spread Eagle in forenoon. in afternoon haltered her colt and hauled wood with her & Charlie the Colt. soon became used to being tied and walked along very gently. in evening wrote a letter to Parker Pillsbury of Concord New Hampshire. got a letter from Caroline Yardell of West Troy New York Motherinlaw to Lucy. she is in great distress at Lucys Death.

May 30 Cloudy & wet. waked up and found it raining. went Down to brickyard to cover the Brick but found it already Done. hung cellar Doors at Jacob Coys. stuck up boards and in afternoon Thomas & I went at to Simon Sumers and cleared off the ground for R Road wood.

May 31 Clear & cool. very heavy Dew. hauled 3 loads of Sand and sett some brick. got 4000 more made to Day. wrote a letter to Caroline Yardell of West Troy New York.

Jun 1 Clear and pleasant. Johny & I sett brick and hauled up what was Dry. got in & sett all that was Dry enough on the yard. Thomas & Mrs Iler both went home this afternoon.

took Charlie & the Old Buggy. clouded up and rained moderately at 7 or 8 O'clock PM.

Jun 2 Clear & very fine. finished a cane head for Mr Bradford. Timothy Gee his wife & grandmother Goulbourn paid us a visit. the latter is going to stay a week. am glad of it. hacked up 4000 Brick. read Voltaire the greatest Man we have any account of. is more Deserving and more abused than all others. Oh the ingratitude of this world. when will mankind learn to appreciate their greatest Benefactors.

Jun 3 Clear & warm. made 4000 brick. took in & sett 4000. got the glass cut for our Book case Doors. Kestlemire came out started both our clocks. clouded up at 4 O'clock. looks like rain at sunsett. replanted corn. the cut worms Bad.

Jun 4 Cloudy & wet. rained hard last night about one and two O'clock. took a grist of wheat to Hays Mill. got caught in the Rain but managed to keep the grist Dry. got back by noon. too wet to make brick. went up Town got a piece of harness leather & repaired our harness all the afternoon.

Jun 5 Clear & cool but no frost. made 4000 brik. I sett some and blacksmithed a little. brick dried fast to Day. Margaret & Mother Goulbourn visited at Joel & Sarahs. came home by 6 O'clock PM.

Jun 6 Clear & pleasant. made 4000 brik. Thomas went to mill & brot our new Book case home in forenoon. in afternoon he & I cut some Sawlogs in Hugh Stewarts woods that I bought of him a year ago. clouded up and at sunsett looks like rain. sett up our new Book case. it is very pretty.

Jun 7 Cloudy & wet this morning. raining at 4 O'clock and at 7 is still raining slow. is a little cool. sett some brick rolled in some saw logs etc in forenoon. in after made & sett brick. Bill Mercer of Philadelphia came very unexpectedly. he has been at work 6 miles from Pittsburgh and came out on purpose to see us. is with us to night. cloudy and threatens rain at bedtime.

Jun 8 Cloudy & Dull but the men are making brik. they must come out if possible. Thomas & Johny sett brick all Day. I piled up a few loads at the mill and spent the Ballance of the Day with Wm Mercer & his Faher (Thomas Mercer). had a pleasant afternoon no rain. got out 4000 brick. have now 114000.

Jun 9 Cloudy & warm. Wm Mercer & his Father started East on the 9 20/ train. Nora & I went to the Depot with them. came home and wrote a couple of letters one to Mrs Maria De Ford Crafts of Cawker City Mitchell Co Kansas. the other to Doc Estep of Canton Stark Co Ohio. cleared off and is very pleasant at noon. hacked up and covered all our brick as at sunsett it threatens rain. Stephen wheeled in 4000 that was Dry.

Jun 10 Cloudy & wet. Thomas & I hauled in 5 sawlogs got of Hugh Stewart in forenoon. in afternoon planted posts and leveled the ground for Sand house on lot up Town. want

to haul a large amount of Sand this sumer. got a line from Ridgeway Haines of Alliance informing me of the Presence in that place of a so called Spiritual Medium (Sherman) and thinks I would be interested in attending some of his Seances. think I will.

Jun 11 Clear & very pleasant this morning. vegitation never grew faster than now. Thomas & I repaired fence in forenoon. in afternoon he worked the corn. I sett a few Brick and at 15 18 took cars for Alliance to have a sitting with Sherman the so called Spiritual Medium. met him at David Hesters (after taking supper with J R Haines) when we had a sitting I and some neighbors but nothing was elicited that I could not account from (I thought at the time). went back to Haines to stay all night.

Jun 12 Clear & warm. arose early and left Haines without waking them as I was in a hurry to get home. got on the Coal train. arrived at home by 6 O'clock AM in time for breakfast. sett brick all Day. rained several showers in afternoon but the hands got out 4000. we got in all that was Dry and sett them. clear at sunsett. hope the rain is over for a few Days at least.

Jun 13 Clear & warm. the children (Nora & Johny) is at the School Picnic to Day. I Done some little Schores about Town & took care of the brick. got them all up and covered by the time it rained about 6 O'clock. is wet at bedtime.

Jun 14 Cloudy & wet. lots of rain last night. too wet to work corn. Thomas split our wood in forenoon and helped me sett some brik. I finished 2 canes and took them up to John Garwoods to have them varnished. Patched my bellows in afternoon. Dried off some but is still quite wet. Thomas & Johny the debis from around the molding tub in afternoon. made no brick to Day. went to Town in evening and read in the N Y Tribune of the Funeral of Mary Ann Johnson (wife of Oliver). was surprised at the sad intelligence not having heard of her sickness. she was a noble woman in every sense of the word.

Jun 15 Clear at sunrise but soon got cloudy. fenced in my wild goose plum trees to keep the colt from eating them up. Bought a Dozen of Eggs of Martha Hilman & sett a hen in the Shop. Brot Joel Strattons iron pump out from the Brickyard in Town. sent it to their gate by Isaih Bear. am getting ready to take Margaret & Nora to Alliance this afternoon.

Jun 16 Clear & cool (at Alliance). we left home yesterday as intended. had a pleasant carriage ride. arrived at Ridgeway Haines about 6 O'clock PM. after Supper we all went to David Hesters where we had a sitting with Sherman (spiritual Medium so called). had some Physical Manifestations that I cannot account for. Ann Lease (Spirit) took off and put on his coat when his hands were firmly tied behind him. the coat was jerked out of my hand with the aparent Herculion force fairly whizzed through the air and was put back on him in a twinkling. She also pulledNoras Dress played the gautar etc etc. how to account for this I confess I cannot. there is evidently some force with which we are as yet comparatively ignorant. we returned to Haines where we stay all night. at 9 O'clock I went Down to Hesters had a private sitting with Sherman that I considered at the time a perfect failure. hitched up to the Carriage and took Margaret Nora & Myself over to

Peter Heitmans where I spent some time. Strolled around with Peter until about 4 O'clock PM when I started for home leaving Margaret & Nora with them. they are going to visit awhile. in Damascus picked up 2 passengers for Salem (Milton Taylor & Andrew Jobes. arrived home safe and found all right. go early to bed.

Jun 17 Clear & pleasant. sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon shod our horses and made a screw prop for brick shed. in evening attended the Discussion (if it can be called one) between Underwood & Hick. Bought Ingresells Orations on the Gods.

Jun 18 Clear & cool. George & I went with team Down to Thomas Vernons Sand bank. screened 3 loads of Sand. Thomas hauled 2 of them to Town & one to the brickyard. sett some brick in afternoon. in evening attended th Debate such as it was. Hick is a Fool and has not wit enough to realize it. Underwood appologized (as well he might) for Debating with him at all.

Jun 19 Clear & pleasant as can be. we are now having splendid weather for out of Doors work. sett brick. Mick got mad because I asked him to make better brick and said if his brick Did not suit me I could get someone else to take his place. I told him to Drop the mold and leave at once. no hired man shall ever intimidate me in that way if the place stops. got Bricker (Pidgeons offbearer) to come tomorrow as Pidgeon has no clay dug. looked around some for another hand but found none for certain. Geo Frank Paid me 50 Dollars.

Jun 20 Clear & warm. offbore a few Brick before Bricker got here but he came and they made 4000 by about 3 O'clock. Sett brick most of the Day. enclosed a blank check to R C Taggert County Treasurer for him to fill out & thus pay my Tax as I Do not want to take time to go to Lisbon now. our well bucket chain parted and let both buckets into the well. grappled them out and found one valve missing and as I could not grapple that I went up to the Buckeye and got one cast. was so fortunate as to get it on sight as they were just pouring iron. got a letter from Margaret and a very nice one also from nora. they are in Ravenna having a pleasant time. will be home on Saturday.

Jun 21 Clear & warm. got up at 1/4 to 4 & sett brick until 6. repaired our well. got a good rig now & sett brick the Ballance of the Day. covered up all we have out as it looks some like rain at sunsett. spent the evening in Town.

Jun 22 Clear & considerable cooler. there has evidently been rain in the neighborhood but none here. sett brick. got about all sett that is Dry enough. Margaret & Nora returned on the 2 O'clock Train. all well. have now 154000 brick made and all in the Kiln but 12000.

Jun 23 Clear & pleasant as can be. made a Toy cradle for a little girl in Town. Marius Robinson & wife Joel & Sarah McMillen Hamilton Howel & his Brother William with their 3 boys and Samuel Sharpnack all called on us. I had like to have forgotten Charles Grizzel. he called also and none welcomer than he. we had a very Pleasant Day of it.

looked like rain towards evening & I was forced to leave them & go an cover our brick. went early to bed.

Jun 24 Cloudy & cool. made 4000 rick. sett all that is Dry enough. ground my Drawing knife. repaired a wheelbarrow. read the papers etc etc. still cloudy at sundown but no rain. Thomas is working the Corn.

Jun 25 Cloudy & cool. cased at the Kiln. made 4000 brik but little signs of rain. nothing more to say.

Jun 26 Cloudy & cool. hoed broomcorn before breakfast. think it will clear off without raining this time. cased at the Kiln all Day. got out 4000 brick. Thomas is working the corn.

Jun 27 Cloudy but no rain. cased at the Kiln & sett some brick. hacked up what brick was edged. rained some about 3 O'clock PM but Done us no Damage. Geo hauled us a load of sand to the Brickyard & Thomas hauled one to Town in afternoon. spent the evening up Town. rented Enterprise Machine Shop to John Deming for a store room for 5 Dollars per month.

Jun 28 Clear & warm. sett a few brick soon in the morning & went to Town & built sand house. got home by noon. J T Brooks paid me 23 40/100 Dollars for 13 perch of stone. cased some at the Kiln & sett some brick.

Jun 29 Clear & warm. sett Brick & cased some. made 24000 Brick this week. Paid the hands all off want to keep even with them. clouded up and got very Dark in the west. put all our brick up and covered but no rain fell here. north wind blew it south of us.

Jun 30 Clear & very warm. had the best of visitors to Day. Mr & Mrs Gordon a Mr Hunter of New Lisbon and a Mr Watson of Lowell seven miles below Youngstown on the Mahoning. we had a very pleasant Day of it. Mrs Walker was with us also.

Jul 1 Clear & very warm. sett brick most of the Day. got out 4000 to Day. bought a very nice engraving of Abraham Lincoln & Ulysses Grant both excellent likenesses. Aunt Lizzie is out at Richard Kirtlands to Day.

Jul 2 Clear & hot. hauling sand (Thomas & Brother Geor). I & Johny setting brick. write this at noon after Drinking a good portion of cold water that I just Drew from the well. "how sweet from the green mossy brim to received it" etc. sett brick in afternoon. put up and covered all our Brick. bought Codfish want a change of Diet occasionally. Mary & Alfonso Sheets of Iowa are with us to night.

Jul 3 Clear & warm. walked out to Simon Sumers to see how they were getting along cutting Rail Road wood. there is a large pile of it. got back by about 1 O'clock. sett brick & cased some at the kiln. made 4000 well brick for Buckeye to Day. got most of

them up and covered as it looks some like Rain. 33 years ago this evening it Did rain. I took shelter under and cut my name on a Beech tree that stands in S Chessmans woods . yet can read the name and see the Date yet July 3rd 1839. Margaret & I were married that evening.

Jul 4 Clear & warm. all signs of Rain is vanished this morning. Margaret Nora & I attended the Pic Nic. had a pleasant time until it rained about 1 1/2 O'clock when everyone Scampered for Shelter. we took to our Carriage where we kept perfectly Dry. the rain lasted but a few minutes when we all started for home. little Carrie Lamon was with us. very warm after the rain. not enough rain yet but looks as though we might have more. went to Town in the evening. bought a canvassed ham and ordered one hundred weight through John Hunt from Cleveland.

Jul 5 Clear and cooler. worked at the yard all Day. got along fine. have now 198000 made and very nearly all sett. wrote a letter to Daniel Grady of Baughman Wayne Co Ohio Agent for the R R asking him to write me when he will come and measure the wood I have put on the R R. clouded up some to Day but little prospects of Rain.

Jul 6 Clear & warm. worked at the brickyard all Day. sett some. cased some etc etc. have now 202000 for this Kiln. have made 3 whole weeks work (72000) in sucsession the best I think I ever had Done. Deposited one hundred Dollars in first National Bank for Wm Stewart the man that cut my R R wood. spent a portion of the evening in Town. came home with Brother George about 9 O'clock. read the papers until twelve. Mother Goulbourn is 85 years old to day. has a party.

Jul 7 Clear & warm. made apair of new shoes and shod Charlie before. repaired our sifter and laid around in the shade the Ballance of the Day. Mrs Leyman & her little Daughter (Carrie) spent the Day with us. very glad to have them Do so. Brother Geo is helping Joel haul in his Hay.

Jul 8 Clear & warm. commenced mowing. cut Down one field & put it up in cock. I sett brick. want to get the Kiln ready to burn and soon as Possible. got a letter from wood agent saying he would measure my wood this month.

Jul 9 Clear & warm. hauled in our hay and commenced mowing another field. will put it right through now. closed the last arch in our Kiln to 14 now. looks a little like rain at Dark. McMillens have to haul water from our well. affraid to spare much lest we get out.

Jul 10 Cloudy but no rain and little prospects of it. sett & cased. Brother Geo is managing the harvest. is mowing. Thomas & Charlie Wickline is cutting the wheat. got the second field of grass up in cock & one load in. rained at 6 O'clock PM. is still raining moderate as I retire. received a Pamphlet from Oliver Johnson Containing an account of his wifes Death the Discourses Delivered on the occasion which are very pretty and impressive. glad to have it.

Jul 11 Cloudy & Damp tho not much rain fell as yet. got up at 3 O'clock. walked out to the R Road wood pile and nailed my name on it. got back by 6 O'clock. cased at the Kiln all Day. cloudy but sun shone at times. got our 2nd field of hay in. Geo patched the Barn roof.

Jul 12 Cloudy & Dull. rained a little in morning. got out 4000 brick. finished setting the Kiln and got considerable casing Done. Harriet Arner visited us this afternoon. Geo brot Aunt Lili home to Day. she is much better. clear at 9 O'clock.

Jul 13 Clear & warm all Day. finished cutting the wheat by noon. Geo hauled 2 loads of Sand to Brick yard. I worked at the Kiln getting it ready to burn. made another ringer making 96000 Brick in 4 weeks. have now 226000 this sumer. Robert Hole advanced me 50 Dollars on the Brick he bought and is now waiting for which was a great accomodation.

Jul 14 Clear & warm. made a mortar bed in which to mix smear for the Kiln. was going to screen the Dust but found it so warm concluded to rest. laid in the shade but the flies is so ravenous there is but little peace for one. toward evening took a walk over to see new meeting house (Wilbur Quakers). from there went across to Wiley Wards to get him to work for me. he is coming in the morning.

Jul 15 Cloudy & Dull. concluded not to mow. Thomas worked corn. Wiley & I cased at the Kiln. no rain here but rained several showers all around us. Bought 51 lb of hams some sugar coffee Mackeral etc.

Jul 16 Cloudy & cool with fresh breeze from northwest. Wiley helped me half the Day. got the Kiln cased the butmont up and one half smeared. rained a good shower at 2 O'clock. made 4000 brick. mowed some.

Jul 17 Cloudy. mowed in forenoon. got the hay some of it up in cock just after Diner where it turned in and rained hard. is wet all the afternoon. got our smeared and set fire by noon. rained hard in afternoon. got some of our brick up but about 6500 got washed but are not spoiled.

Jul 18 Cloudy & wet. was up with the Kiln all night. rained hard between midnight and Daylight. to Day the large Elk Horns came to me from Cawker City Mitchell County Kansas sent by Mrs DeFord Crafts. I pay 25 Dollars for them. 6 of it Pays the Express charges the Ballance goes to the Payne Hall fund at Boston Mass. I am well Satisfied with the transaction all through Both with the size of the Horns and the Disposition made of the money. received a small box by Express from Canton (from Luies Mother) containing a china mug and a match Safe as a Present to Mary Anne & little Nora as keepsakes for Luie. they were hers. we shall keep them for her sake. cleared off toward night and I think the Rain is over for present. Wiley helped me to Day.

Jul 19 Clear & cool. attended the Kiln myself last night. getting along fine. made 4000

Brick. Wiley is helping me now. the harvest hands got in 2 loads of hay and all the ballance of the field up in cock. Kiln is Doing fine.

Jul 20 Clear & warm. can make no brick to Day for want of yard room. hauling in hay & wheat to Day. got all in nice & Dry. clear and pleasant all Day. Kiln is Doing well. Wiley went home at noon sick. Jake Coy took his place.

Jul 21 Cloudy with some symptoms of Rain. Kiln is Doing well. Geo & Thomas is helping to Day. commenced raining about noon. rained steady for one hour. will not injure the Kiln much. rained hard again in afternoon. have not had so much rain fall at once for a year. had to put some of the shed on again. softened the tight course.

Jul 22 Clear & pleasant this morning. Kiln Done well last night. Geo assisted me last night. Wiley came on this morning. he & I attended the Kiln. made 4000 brick.

Jul 23 Cloudy and Dull. threatens rain and at 9 O'clock commenced. got but a few brick made to Day. Wiley is still with me but we are both getting tired. Shut the Kiln at 7 O'clock PM. think we have an excellent burn. rained hard at 8 O'clock PM.

Jul 24 Cloudy & Dull. repaired my Elk Horns and painted them. Thomas & Jacob Coy sawed our Fence Posts logs in two and Sharp is making them up into posts. I went 3 times to Town and back. cleared off this afternoon. Ed Hise got a letter from Brother William sayinghe could now get work at West Liberty & he is going out and Sis wants Mother & Nora to go with him. has suggested the matter to me and I approved it at once.

Jul 25 Clear and fine this morning. Margaret & Noras visit to Iowa has been broached to them and eagerly accepted. will start on next wendsday. spent the forenoon in Town. made no brick in forenoon. offbearer is sick. hunted some for another but found none. went out to Harriet Arners in afternoon. met Adna Silvers (an Old Friend). had a good chat. came home at about 6 O'clock. brot my wheelbarrow from Mrs Ramsdens. finished cutting our grass.

Jul 26 Cloudy & Dull. Wiley came on this morning & he & I built a shed in which to pile our Casing. tore Down one half of the abutment. made 4000 brick in 3 Days. cleared off and is cooler at sundown.

Jul 27 Clear & warm. got in the last of our Hay. made 4000 brick. Johny & Archy offbore them. I got sea sick & Done but little. Robt Hole Paid me 176 80/100 Doll on account.

Jul 28 Clear & warm. hacked some brick early. finished a cane for Joseph Ball of Iowa. made Johny a Kite but it was too frail it Broke. Dave & Mary Yengling came over and spent some time with us. took Diner and chatted awhile. I walked over to see Wiley. he is coming in the morning.

Jul 29 Clear & warm. made 4000 brick. tore off casing & loaded 6400 Brick for Moff. cradled some of the Oats but at 3 O'clock commenced raining. was forced to quit. got the cradlers to put on the Brick shed. went to Town in evening. Bought weather boards for Wileys house 600 feet for 18 Dollars. cloudy at sunsett.

Jul 30 Clear & warm at 8 O'clock but foggy at Daylight. made 4000 Brick. I loaded brick all Day. hacked up 4000 & covered them. looks a little like rain at sundown.

Jul 31 Cloudy wet with a very heavy rain last night. Did not spoil our brick much. loaded wagons all Day. made 3000 brick. at 5 1/2 O'clock PM Margaret & Nora took the Cars for West Liberty Iowa. I saw them well seated. Ed Hise went with them. I am glad they could go now as it is a pleasant time of year to go. Mrs Iler flared up so much we got tired of her. gave her her money and told her to leave (she left) and all hands were glad of it. Sister Una took Diner with us. her Daughter Clara is with us and is going to assist us until we can get some one else. raining at 9 O'clock PM.

Aug 1 Cloudy & Dull. loaded brick. commenced a house for Wiley. got Sharp to saw the sills. Benj Hilman isgoing to Frame it. cleared off towards noon but made no brick to Day for want of an offbearer.

Aug 2 Clear & cooler. wind in north west. made 5000 brick to Day. Johny & Archy carried them off. loaded 16400 brick. am tired. Benj Hilman commenced the Hosue. got the Oats all up in shock.

Aug 3 Clear & cool. rain is now over. loaded brick all Day. made 4000. got our Oats all in. getting along fine. went to Town in evening but Did not stay long.

Aug 4 Clear & cool. wrote 2 letters one to Benj Gilbert and one to Hannah Kershaw. must Do something to wile away the hours.

Aug 5 Clear & warm. loaded brick. made 4000. commenced setting our 2nd Kiln. got a letter from Margaret. they arrived safe at West Liberty Iowa on thursday night at 10 O'clock PM. found all well and on the platform looking for them. in evening I went to hear Jacob Ambler make a Political speech. he was long winded. Kept me up town until near Eleven O'clock. had intended to have answered Margarets letter but am too sleepy. must put it off until morning.

Aug 6 Clear & warm. sett and loaded brick all Day. made 4500. Aus Walker offbore them. Thomas is hauling out our Manure. getting along fine. Clara Sharpnack came over to assist Sis doing house work. wrote Margaret a letter this morning.

Aug 7 Clear & warm all Day. Sett and loaded brick & made 4500. getting along amazingly well now. got a letter from Aunt Hannah Gilbert. roads very Dusty. answered it this evening.

Aug 8 Clear and warm. sett & loaded brick. made 4500 to Day. roads very Dusty. nothing to write. got a letter from Margaret & one from Nora.

Aug 9 Clear & warm. sett and loaded Brick. got but few sett. too many to load. Paid Samuel Sharpnack 15 Dollars on account for coal. wrote Nora a letter. made 4500 brik. got most of them hacked up.

Aug 10 Clear and warm. no rain last night. loaded brick. sett none to Day. made 4000. 26000 this week which is more brick than I ever had made by one sett of hands in the same length of time. rained about 2 O'clock but we was ready for it. spent the evening in Town. Bought Johny a sett of gold shirt studs cost 3 50/100.

Aug 11 Clear & warm. walked out to John Gordons where I had a pleasant visit. Mr & Mrs Purdy came out. we had a very pleasant visit indeed. Mr Gordon brot me to town in his Buggy. Thomas Miller Burried to Day.

Aug 12 Clear at sunrise but clouded up and at 5 O'clock PM rained. got out 4000 brick. I loaded and sett brick but could sett but few. Subscribed for the New York Times one Dollar a year cheap enough. bought 2 Dollars worth of sugar (16 lb). Margaret is 50 years old to Day.

Aug 13 Clear & warm at sunrise. uncovered our Brick. sett and loaded brick. hauled in some Saw logs and got them Sawed for Wileys house. rained soon after Diner but the boys got out 4000 brick. went up town in evening where I learned that the Pay master on the Rail Road had been here to Day and I did not know it. he has near 6 hundred Dollars for me. I am going to follow him as far as Alliance in hopes I can overtake him. Shall start on the 4 O'clock Train in the morning. consequently shall sleep but little to night as it is now near eleven O'clock. will read perhaps most of the time until I start.

Aug 14 Cloudy and Dull. have just returned from Alliance where I found the Pay master and got my money $582.10 cts. came Down on the Local Freight at 6 O'clock. Paid 200 Dollars I owed in Bank. was not Due. Deposited to the credit of Wm Stewart 104 Dollars and 51 Dollars to the credit of Simon Sumers. Both at the 1st National Bank and left one hundred Dollars with T E Vickers to Pay Peter Ward what I owe him. sett Brick this afternoon. rained a little.

Aug 15 Cloudy & Dull. filled the yard to Day. will now have to wait for them to Dry. sett some brick. Paid Mrs Watterworth 50 Dollar on account. loaded 8000 brick for Robt Hole. spent the evening in Town.

Aug 16 Cloudy & Dull. helped Stephen make a road to clay pit. loaded brick but sett none. rained most intolerable hard at 2 O'clock PM. injured our brick more than any rain the Sumer. got a letter from Margaret. she and Nora are well.

Aug 17 Clear & warm at 5 O'clock AM. Baxter & Boyles Stove Foundry was

Discovered to be on fire. it was pretty well gutted in spite of the great amount of water thrown on it. one side of the molding room fell out. most of the Patterns that was of any account were burned. it was insured for 3600 Dollars. adjoining buildings uninjured. made no brick to Day for want of yard room. got all hacked up. loaded brick but sett none. engaged hands to help thresh on Monday. answered Margarets letter.

Aug 18 Cloudy and warm. enlarged our Oats bin and got the Barn ready for the threshers. expect them to morrow. covered the brick as in afternoon it threatens rain. walked over to Hilliards clearing where I found 3 cords of wood that I Did not know was there belonging to me. must haul it away. rained a little about 4 O'clock PM. read Junius unmasked good part of afternoon.

Aug 19 Cloudy and threatens rain. got up at 4 O'clock. went up to Town & bought 16 lb of veal for Diner. threshers came on and got all Done up and cleared out. had 194 bushels of Oats & 70 bushels of wheat. threshers bill 8 35/100 Doll. sett some brick & loaded as usual. am real tired at night. got 2 letters one from Alona Gilbert & one from Mother Kershaw.

Aug 20 Clear & very warm. shod Charlie. sett brick and loaded some. made 4000 brik. getting along fine. Thomas hauled 2 loads of Sand. Jacob Cook burried to Day. he is probably the oldest resident of Green Township. there Doubtless are older men there but none that has lived so long in the Township. he was a large man weighing in the neighborhood of 300 lb. he has but one brother left out of a large Family.

Aug 21 Clear and warm all Day. sett and loaded brick. made 4000. Thomas hauled sand. got a letter from Margaret. she & Nora are well. must answer it soon.

Aug 22 Cloudy and warm. Wiley & I cut some saw logs & Thomas hauled them in. sett brick in afternoon. rained about 2 O'clock & blowed considerable. had most of our Brick secured. got a letter from John Hise. he is still at Hartford Warren County Iowa. wrote a letter to Margaret.

Aug 23 Clear & cool. sett & loaded brick all Day. Thomas hauled coal. made 5000 brick to Day. things move right when the weather is good. Wiley is helping me now. clear as can be at sunsett an is quite cool. think the rain is over for a few Days.

Aug 24 Clear & cool. sett brick. got along well. made another ringer (24000) this week. have now 40000 brick made. got a letter from Margaret. she is still well and enjoying herself very much.

Aug 25 Clear & warm. wrote a letter to Margaret. visited at Joshua Davis. had a long talk about old Settlers. he is among the Oldest now left. came home about sunsett. found the folks still absent at Mother Goulbourns whither they went this morning but they returned in a few minutes after I Did. went early to bed.

Aug 26 Clear & warm. made 4000 brick. I sett and loaded brick. got along quite well. Johny helped me to Day as Wiley Did not come. clouded up in afternoon & at 6 O'clock rained a very little. got our brick in good shape for rain. go early to bed. got a letter from Nora.

Aug 27 Cloudy & Dull. Thomas & George repaired our line fence between us and Tom Sharp. his cattle were in our Orchard last night. Do not like that. answered Noras letter. brick had some bad luck. a hack fell over spoiling about one thousand. made 4500 brick.

Aug 28 Cloudy & Dull all Day. sett & loaded brick. Thomas went home to Day. rained a very little. made 4000 brick. got a letter from Margaret. hired two men to help us. want to get the Kiln on fire as soon as possible.

Aug 29 Cloudy & Dull all Day. sett brick and worked about the Kiln all Day. Frank Weis is hauling wood to Day. Thomas gone home. James Leach helped me at the Kiln. got along well. made 4000 brick wet as it is. got a letter from Margaret last evening. she is not receiving mine as sheshould. wrote a letter to Margaret. ten O'clock when I go to bed.

Aug 30 Clear and cool. all hands worked at the Kiln. got it all sett & commenced the casing. made 4000 brick. Dryed fast to Day. wind blew fresh & cold all Day. at sunsett seems almost cold enough for frost. Tacy England burried to Day.

Aug 31 Clear & cool all Day. made 4000 brick. Dried very fast to Day. cased at the Kiln. am getting it along pretty well. Bought a plow share cost 75 cts. Sis got a letter from margaret. she & Nora are well. Frederick Stitson Died this evening of Disentary (3 funerals in Town tomorrow). clear & cool at sunsett.

Sep 1 Clear & warm all Day. Johny & I cased at the Kiln. got it along pretty well. a little cloudy at sunsett but is too cool to rain at present. wrote a letter to Margaret.

Sep 2 Clear at sunrise but clouded up some through the Day but is too cool to rain. got the Kiln nearly cased. made 4000 brick. Stephen took some 7000 Dry ones. covered the brick but no prospects of rain at 9 O'clock as I write. Thomas commenced plowing for wheat this morning.

Sep 3 Clear & warm all Day. got our Kiln cased smeared and sett fire in it at 5 O'clock PM. made 4000 brik. George went to green & got a girl for 2 weeks. bought Bandana and henkerchief.

Sep 4 Clear & cold. quite a frost this morning. I attended the Kiln. was cold all night. Jacob Hole hauled away the last of Robts 150000 brick this forenoon. made 4000 brik. Kiln is Doing fine.

Sep 5 Cloudy & wet. commenced raining before Daylight and is still raining at 8 as I

write. rained all Day. rain bow in evening.

Sep 6 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up again. took our shed off last night as it got too hot to leave on longer. Jacob Coy helped me last night and to Day. Frank Weis commences. no rain of any account to Day. Kiln is Doing well.

Sep 7 Clear & very warm. Kiln is Doing fine. could make no brick to Day the pit being too wet. got a letter from Margaret Saying she is better. Thomas finished plowingwheat ground.

Sep 8 Clear & warm. Kiln is Doing well. Jacob Coy assisted me last night. to Day Thomas is helping me. Charles Russle burried to Day by the Grand Army. the largest Funeral in Salem since that of Edwin Coppoc (one of the Heroes of Harpers Ferry).

Sep 9 Clear & warm. making brick again to Day. got the Kiln burned. shut it up about 3 or 4 O'clock PM. think we have an excellent burn. went up to Town in evening but returned before 7 O'clock. George sowed our wheat and Thomas harrowed it one way. is so excessively hot that our horses are as wet with sweat as though they were in the River (as the saying is). Mary Conn Watson Died this morning at 9 O'clock. I have known her about as long as I have known any one around Salem. our acquaintence having commenced in 1820 when I was but a lad of 7 years.

Sep 10 Clear & warm. no sign of rain this morning. spent most of the Day in Town. hauled 2 cart loads of nice Dry Sand. Wm Moff Paid me two hundred Dollars on acct. owes me ninety yet. Paid one hundred of it to Lewis B French for his mother. rained some at 6 O'clock PM.

Sep 11 Clear at 3 O'clock AM. Johny & I are ready and I pen this before starting for Cleveland to attend the northwestern Fair. home again. started as expected. arrived at Cleveland about 10 O'clock. hunted up John Kershaw who obtained boarding for us at 442 Lake Street. we attended the Theatre at the Academy of Music. went home at 11.

Sep 12 Cloudy but calm. this morning Johny & I at the Lake Shore enjoying ourselves. washed in the Lake water most Delightful. Johny & I are having a great time. are going around seeing what sights we can. have been to the water Basin and on top of the Tower at water works. its a giddy heighth. went to the Fair to Day. rained hard a part of the Day. we returned early. got supper and went to the Central Rink Theatre. was well entertained until about 10 O'clock whence we sought our lodgings.

Sep 13 Cloudy and furious wind this morning the wind having blowed hard in the night. the Lake is very Rough this morning. Johny & I are enjoying it seeing the vessels tossing to & fro. spent the Day in looking around. Saw Parker Pillsbury both at the Fair & in the City. Saw him leave for Toledo. we started for home about 4 O'clock PM. got to Alliance at 7. got a good warm supper and at nine and 3/4 left for home where we arrived in 22 minutes. read the investigator a short time and went to bed.

Sep 14 Clear and cool. hauled some brick but made none. yard is full. got a letter from Margret. she & Nora are both very well.

Sep 15 Clear & cool. walked over to Julius Voters. from there went to see Mother Goulbourn. she is as well as usual. took Diner & stayed sometime. George & Libbie went Down to Yerk Howels. got back at 4 O'clock PM. wrote a letter to Margaret. go early to bed.

Sep 16 Clear & cool. hauled some brick & some sand. sold a few brick to different ones. opened our new Kiln. sold one of my large iron Kettles to David McMillen for 20 Dollars. he is to pay me one half in 2 weeks.

Sep 17 Cloudy and cool. stripping the Kiln. I spent most of the Day in Town. sold some brick. Thomas is cutting corn. made 4000 brick to Day. cleared off in afternoon and is fine as can be.

Sep 18 Clear & cool to Day. we cleaned the cistern made a good job of it I think. bought a large stone tyle of which I intend to make a new filter. made 4000 brick. got a letter from Margaret.

Sep 19 Cloudy & wet. hauled 2 loads of brick but the wind blew the sand in area to such a Degree that we give it up in disgust. worked at the filter this afternoon. Bought some charcoal of Isaac Snider cost 30 cents per bushel. have bought many a bushel for 4 cents per bushel but it was 35 or 40 years ago. rained considerable to Day. got but 2200 brick made to Day.

Sep 20 Clear & cool but pleasant. hauled some brick. put my filter together in its place. sold considerable brick. mailed a letter to Margaret.

Sep 21 Clear & cool. Bought 180 cts worth of beef. hauled 1000 brick to James Woodruff. sold and loaded some. spent the afternoon in Town. Bought a cook Stove at auction for 20 Dollars cash. Bought John a Suit of clothes cost 6 25/100 Doll (the stuff). got a letter from Margaret. she is coming home soon. little Nora is getting tired of Iowa.

Sep 22 Clear & warm. went to hear Underwood lecture. from there went out to Harriet Arners. spent most of the afternoon with Jeremiah Dickinson a warm friend. came home and covered the brick as it looks a little like rain. wrote Margaret a short letter and will now go to bed.

Sep 23 Clear & warm. hauled brick. made 4000. weather fine. sent a short letter to Margaret which will probably be the last one as she talks of coming home. took the Colt from the Mare but to night are having trouble with him. he will break out of the Stable. bought 15 US Flags with which to Decorate my Elk Horns. Painted Grant & Wilson in name to hang out.

Sep 24 Clear & fine. Great Convention here to Day. "Old Ben Wade" addressed the vast assembly. had a whole Ox roasted and served up with 500 loaves of bread and butter to match. Over 500 Tanners (or members) of Taner clubs paraded by Torch light. it excelled anything by far that I ever saw. while at the breakfast table brother Jesse handed me a Despatch from William Hise sayingthat Margaret & Nora would be home on the 11 PM Train. after the parade went Down and met them. all right. was amazingly glad to meet them. came Directly home but it was near midnight before we got to bed. word came to Town this evening that David Galbreth (Tanner) cut his throat. Did not have any reason assigned. of course he must have been insane.

Sep 25 Cloudy & windy. Johny & I got up at Daybreak and hacked up and covered our brick. have all up now. Margaret & Nora are both very well and glad they are at home. this morning wrote a line to William Hise announcing to him the Safe arrival at Home of Margaret & Nora. hauled brick. made none to Day although the weather is fine but the offbearer Did not come.

Sep 26 Clear & pleasant. hauled brick. made 4000 Day & sett a few. sold some etc. cool at sundown. Old Mrs Bart Kill by the Cars at the Main St crossing.

Sep 27 Clear & cool. made 4000 brick. hauled 4000. sett some. are now getting along nicely. Margaret is a little unwell but she thinks nothing serious ails her. read the Index & New York Times until bed time.

Sep 28 Clear & cool. bought 108 cts worth of beef. hauled sett and made brick. got Jesse Detrick to offbear as Jo Did not come. spent the evening in Town. rained a few Drops.

Sep 29 Clear with a strong gale of wind blowing. blew hard in the night. Geo & I visit Joseph Saxon. Geo soon returned I staid all Day. calleda few minutes at Hal Arners on my way home. Margaret & Nora went over to Mother Goulbourns. got back in good time. threatens rain but is too cold.

Sep 30 Cloudy & cold. hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon Margaret & I went out to see Joseph Saxon. while out there I put the shed that had blown off my joice at Williamsons Mill on again. came home bysunsett. is quite cold. George & Howel gathered up a wagon laod of apples. want to make them into Cider. made a Deed to Fitz Allen Brady.

Oct 1 Cloudy & cool. Geo & Thomas made 3 Barrels of cider. Mr Bradford called for his Canes. was well pleased with them. I spent most of the Day in Town Doing but little. cold all Day.

Oct 2 Cloudy & Dull most of the Day. sett some brick. Thomas hauled coal. made 4000 brick. rained some. got up a few brick but the yard is now full. got me a pair of coarse

boots cost 6 Dollars.

Oct 3 Cloudy & cool. Greely meeting to Day. in the procession were 155 wagons & buggies mostly the latter and about 360 voters as near as it could be ascertained. they were addressed by Gov Walker of West Virginia. no evening meeting or speech and no Demonstrations save a few sky rockets and other fire works. a tame affair when we take into consideration the effort made to have a large convention.

Oct 4 Cloudy & warmer. cleared off toward noon. we got all our brick hacked up but could make none for want of yard room. sett a few & hauled some to Town. Republican Convention at New Lisbon to Day. 60 wagons & carriages went from Salem. Gov Noyes addressed them. George Hise is Boiling Down the cider he made on yesterday.

Oct 5 Clear and very pleasant but made no brick by Steven not coming to clear the yard. I did not Know it until too late. regret it very much as the season for making brick is short. Jake Coy wheeled in 4000. Johny & I sett brick all Day. Thomas went home this afternoon.

Oct 6 Cloudy and warmer. repaired our Stable. wrote a letter to John Hise of Hartford Warren Co Iowa and one to sister Francis of Muscatine Co Iowa after which I went Down to Levi Straghleys. got a list of voters in the south East corner of Perry Township. was forced to hurry home and cover the Brick as it threatend and Did rain some here and hard further South and East. Sister Una took Diner with us. she looks and is well.

Oct 7 Cloudy & wet. all hands sett brick. got along fine. the first thing this morning I went to Town with the Carriage. Articled with Lawson Harper for fractions of lot No 9+ 10-and 11. he Paid me 50 Dollars on them an is to pay 200 more in 2 years with interest at 6 per cent paid annually. Brot Belle Miller home with me as hired help. like the looks of her very much.

Oct 8 Clear and warmer tho some frost this morning. nothing but Election on hand to Day. I spent the entire Day in Town. the largest Poll ever Polled in Salem 958 of which Woodworth (Republican) received 681 Brown (Democrat) 258. Woodworths Majority 423. I stay in Town Hall until one O'clock in the morning of the 9th awaiting returns. enough came in to make Woodworths Election beyond a Doubt and the States Majority in the neighborhood of 25000. Sallie Vickers Street Died Suddenly.

Oct 9 Clear & pleasant. feel rather stupid this morning caused by loss of sleep. made 4000 brick & sett 7000. Election news all right. Ohio Pennsylvania & Indiana all gone Republican. go early to bed.

Oct 10 Cloudy & cooler. spent the forenoon in Town & in afternoon attended the Funeral of Sallie Vickers Street. rained a little at 4 O'clock PM and is cold & raw. got 6 young pigs for 9 Dollars. nice ones.

Oct 11 Clear & cold. hauled & sett brick. made 4000. Thomas is still hauling coal.

Oct 12 Cloudy & cold. froze our wet brick some. making more sett some and hacked up and covered all that would Do. Grant Jubilee in Town to night big crowd.

Oct 13 Cloudy & cool with a little rain last night. Blacksmithed most of the Day. made 3 plate holders for stove. fastened them to the pipe flange. quite a convenience. blowed and rained some. is a little rough. Belle who went home saturday night returned this evening.

Oct 14 Cloudy cold and stormy. snowing large flakes from west. turned our hogs into the woods as acorns is abundant. Thomas & I sett brick all Day. snowed hard at times and is rough all Day. the snow melted as it fell.

Oct 15 Cloudy but not so cold this morning. Thomas hauled cold. Johny & I sett brick. cleared off and is cool all Day. brick frozen a little this morning but not spoiled.

Oct 16 Clear & warmer. Johny & Thomas Digging Potatoes. Stephen & Geo Butchered our hog. nice & fat. cut and Salted it this evening. Pidgeon paid me 121 50/100 Dollars on rent of brickyard.

Oct 17 Cloudy & Damp. rained a very little in the night. Johny & I sett some brick but it soon commneced raining and Thomas came and helped. Johny & him sett brick in afternoon. I spent most of the afternoon in Town.

Oct 18 Cloudy but moderate weather. Johny & I sett brick. Thomas Digs Potatoes & brot Rye Straw from Jacob Sells. Pat O'Conner Paid me one hundred Dollars. I paid it to Geo Trimble. sun shone considerable to Day. Paid Mike Nease 9 Dollars for 6 pigs he brot me a week since.

Oct 19 Clear at sunrise but clouded up some at times but was pleasant all Day. sett no brick to Day but spent most of the Day in Town. saw Archibald Wood (of Chicago). had some talk with him concerning the vacating of an Alley that lies between him & Joel McMillen on Main St. he appears to be not opposed to the project. paid Robt French 231 Dollars a note I had given his Father some years ago and just neglected to pay it as he Did not want it and I still could use it. went out to see Jo Saxon. his eye is still very bad. Bought 6 Lambs of John Fawcett on my return for which I pay him 21 Dollars.

Oct 20 Clear & remarkable fine all Day. Margaret Sis & Nora went over to see Mother Goulbourn. I stay at home most of the Day. wrote a letter to Abona Gilbert of Lancaster Co Penn. toward evening take a walk up to Geo Lucass. send a specimin Brick by himto Leetonia. have some prospect of selling 150,000 brick there.

Oct 21 Clear & very pleasant. got up before Daylight & carried off boards off the brickyard and sett some brick this morning before breakfast. Joshua Holloways wife

(Susan Painter) Died at 6 O'clock this morning. Johny hauled a couple of loads of sand while I built a bridge to haul brick over. hauled 1000 Brick to Doc Rush and brot the sheep home that I bought of John Fawcett 5 of them for 17 Dollars. Paid him 11 of it. am to leave the other 6 at Bonsalls Book Store.

Oct 22 Cloudy this morning with some appearance of Indian Sumer. Johny & I hauled brick to Robt Justice. Thomas & Will Hise husking corn. Drizzled rain about 4 O'clock PM. Our brick are all under the shed. am glad of it. bought butter bowl sugar Coffee Tacks etc etc. raining at 6 O'clock as I write.

Oct 23 Cloudy & Dull. rained moderately all night. roads are muddy this morning. sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon hauled corn and hauled Pumpkins. I spent the afternoon in Town. sold a few apples for 35 cts per bushel. Geo went to depot and met & brot home with him Mrs Boleoby of West Liberty Iowa. she is on her way to Baltimore and stops off here to rest & visit Aunt Libbie whose neighbor she is when they are all at home. Benly Shinn Kerns of Moline Ill visited and took Diner with us. she is and old playmate of Margarets.

Oct 24 Clear & cool. hauled Brick & husked corn picked some apples etc. hauled in 2 loads of corn. raining at 7 O'clock. is very Dark. Settled with Mrs French. owed the Estate (of Samuel French) 79 cents. paid it.

Oct 25 Cloudy & wet all Day. we all three sett brick at noon. Levi Straghley and I settled. I owed him 2 76/100 Doll. gave him my Due bill.

Oct 26 Cloudy and wet all Day. sett brick. got almost Done. Bought Nora a pair of fine shoes cost 2 70/100 cts. bought soap crackers & matches. paid Sam Sharpnack 25 Dollars the Ballance on a thousand bushels of coal I bought of him early in the Sumer. roads are very muddy.

Oct 27 Cloudy & wet. Drizzling rain most of the Day. repaired and started our Cistern pump. filling nice. sold John &Dave Mercer 6 cords of wood at the Fair ground provided they should need it at 2 Dollars per cord and they to haul it. got some splendid apples in Evans nursery on my way over. spent the most of the Day sitting by the fire. roads are now very muddy. Thomas wants to quit work and as it is so wet we can Do but little before his time would expire anyhow I consented. settled with him & he started for his home. he is going to Canvass for the Sale of a book a useful work I fear he will not succeed in selling a sufficient number to pay him for his trouble but in this I hope I may be mistaken for he is a worthy Boy and I want to know of his succeeding. Daniel Walton Died.

Oct 28 Cloudy but pleasant. all hands go to work & pick our apples and put them in the cellar. took 11 bushels to Town.

Oct 29 Clear & pleasant. finished picking apples. hauled 2 loads of cooper stuff up

Town and in afternoon all hands went into the corn field. husked 54 shocks by sundown. will soon get it all in if weather keeps favorable. Daniel Walton burried to Day. Liciza Stratton is with us to night one of Sis's particular friends.

Oct 30 Clear & frosty. got up in good time. Done the schores before breakfast and am now to put in the time writing it Down. husked and hauled in corn. getting along fine.

Oct 31 Cloudy. Indian summer. husked and hauled in corn all Day. got all husked and 2 loads yet to haul in.

Nov 1 Cloudy & Dull. finished hauling incorn. put the Potatoes in the cellar and hauled one load of straw to Town. Shod "Old Mike" & Fanny etc etc.

Nov 2 Cloudy & cool. hauled one load of Straw to Town & 3 loads of brick. Wm Hise & I sett brick. got the Kiln nearly Done. rained at Dark. Margaret Nora George & Libbie all went visiting Down to Sister Unas. had a pleasant visit.

Nov 3 Cloudy & wet. Drizzling rain all Day. sett by the fire most of the Day. tried to get a shot at the Hawk that comes every Day to commit Depredations on the chickens but he is too shy. I cannot get within hitting Distance of him. George has taken Libbie up to Dick Kirtlands to spend a couple of weeks previous to leaving for Iowa (their Home).

Nov 4 Cloudy & cool. Geo & the two boys gathered all the apples that were worth it and made them into cider. William Hise & I finished setting our brick Kiln and in afternoon cased considerable of it. want to put it right throug now as fast as possible. Brother Jesse took Supper and spent the evening with us. he has a sore leg. is now busy getting up a Campaign Song for which he is becoming quite celebrated.

Nov 5 Cloudy but quite pleasant this morning. at 6 O'clock looks as though we should have a fine Day. collected some money. Paid off my note 68 12/100 Doll at Mrs French. worked at the Kiln in afternoon. voted early. stayed at the Town Hall until after nine O'clock PM awaiting election returns. Grant is unanimously elected without Doubt as he has gained largely on the vote in October. rained most of the afternoon.

Nov 6 Cloudy & Dull. cased at the Kiln & hauled brick. wind in south east all Day. spent a part of the evening in Town.

Nov 7 Clear and frosty at sunrise but soon clouded up and is cold as winter but we stuck to our casing but I came near abandoning it at one time but at noon it moderated and was quite pleasant in afternoon. Johny & Howel hauled brick. roads are Drying up and will soon be good again.

Nov 8 Clear & cold. some ice this morning. 4 of us worked at casing the Kiln. Johny & Howel are hauling brick. things move along about right now. read the New York Times until I got too sleepy to sit up longer. traded 3 cows to Jo Saxon for a mare.

Nov 9 Clear & cold. ground froze some this morning. got our Kiln cased up and one half smeared. Geo & Howel went up to Richard Kirtlands this afternoon. Paid Thomas Cowgill 71 Dollars all I owed him on settlement. got Wm Hise a Pair of Boots cost 6 Dollars & a Pair of Pants cost the Same. clear & moonlight at 7 O'clock PM. Jacob Ritter Died aged years 93-6 m.

Nov 10 Clear & pleasant. walked over to Hutchin Satterthwaits to see some lambs. want to get 3 of them. in afternoon I gathered up a few of the walnuts in the Door yard. went early to bed.

Nov 11 Cloudy & warmer. smeared our Kiln and sett it on fire. took me all afternoon to Kindle the 16 fires. Dampness would put them out. Geo brot home our Jelley. Margaret thinks it nice. I am surfetted on such things and care but little for them. raining at sunsett. hauled wood and brick. I attended the Kiln to night. Johny started to school.

Nov 12 Cloudy & wet having rained all night and at 8 O'clock is raining still. wind has hauled round to the northwest and turns to snow at 9 O'clock and at one as I write is still snowing fast. horrid being out. shut up the hogs to fatten. must now get our sheep and colts. snowed until nearly night when it cleared off and sun sett clear & cool.

Nov 13 Cloudy & cold. ground frozen and snow still on the grass. attended the Kiln all night myself. Wm is hauling wood. Jacob Coy is helping me to Day. Kiln is getting hot. rained a little at 7 O'clock PM.

Nov 14 Cloudy but pleasant. Kiln is Doing fine. had a nice night. no rain after 8 O'clock with bright Moonlight all night. pleasant all Day. cold at sunsett.

Nov 15 Cloudy and very cold. ground froze up tight this morning. had a cold job at the Kiln last night. could scarce Keep warm enough to sleep any. write this in the bed room while they moved my desk. like the change.

Nov 16 Cloudy & cold. Geo & the boys hauled in our corn fodder. our Kiln is Doing fine but the weather is very cold. ground is frozen hard. my cold is getting better. Geo has gone to Goshen. Simon Somers had a sale to Day but I could not attend it.

Nov 17 Cloudy & cold. was very cold all night but Jacob & I weathered it out. the Kiln is nearly Burned. Brother Jacob took Diner with me as his & our folks were up to Brother Jesses to Diner. closed the Kiln at 8 O'clock PM. if I have not a good burn all signs fail. wash & change clothes and read the New York times before going to bed.

Nov 18 Cloudy & cold. sold Benj Hilman a cord of wood from Fair ground. sold Wm Pidgeon 5 cords from same place. got measured for a pair of Pants at Robt Justice. are to be made by Saturday evening next. Sold our Turkeys to Harry Rittenhouse for 10 cts per pound live weight.

Nov 19 Cloudy & cold. Delivered 17 of our Turkeys to H Rittenhouse. weighed 205 lb. he paid me 20.05 cts. Wm hauled wood from fair ground. Bought 83 lb of beef cost 7 1/2 cts per lb. commenced fixing up our barn. put the colts in as it is now snowing & storming and looks as though we might have winter.

Nov 20 Cloudy & cold with 2 inches of Snow Down. worked some at the Stables but George blacksmithed most of the Day and could not therefore assist me much. Joseph Saxon Jr brot the Mare I traded for & took the cattle (3 head). am glad of it as I had too many. thawed a little but will freeze considerable to night.

Nov 21 Cloudy & cold. hauled 2 loads of coal to Town. spent a good portion of the Day in town. thawed none. is moderate winter weather. a great many Horses Sick with the Disease called Epizootic something like a bad cold but proves fatal in many cases. ours show no symptoms of it yet. Paid Belle 4 Dollars.

Nov 22 Cloudy and snowing all the forenoon. Geo & I put the shed on the Brick Kiln. Dirty Job. Wm is after coal but is too stormy to be out. hauled 2 loads of coal. moderated is pleasant.

Nov 23 Cloudy & moderate winter with about one inch of Snow. hauled 3 loads of Stone for Milton Smith from Abram Painters quarry. bought a barrel of Carbon Oil at 27 cts per gal 47 gal. cost 12 69/100 Dol. bought a cheese cost 13 1/2 cts per lb. Sold Mrs Gordon 10 1/4 lb of it as we Did not want to have so much. when whole it weighed 48 lb. Paid Sam Sharpnack & Ira Moore for what coal we hauled. 60 bushels from each of their Banks. Charlie ____ paid me his cow pasture 12 Dollars. Wm H Pidgeon paid me 10 Dollars for 5 cords of wood hauled from Fair Ground. Ed Hise returns from Iowa to night.

Nov 24 Cloudy and fine winter weather as can be. Benj Hilman called over to see the colt. thinks he will buy it. went with Lewis French out to his Farm to select a Poplar tree that I might cut. found one that will suit me. gave him 75 cts per 100 feet on the stump. called into see Joseph Saxon. took Diner with them. Angus Campbell & his wife came and Done likewise. I left them there and came home early. Day very pleasant. wrote a letter to John Saxon & one to John Hise.

Nov 25 Cloudy & warm. stuck up some boards in forenoon. Wm hauling coal. smoky Indian Sumer very pleasant. spent the afternoon in Town. ground my axe. want to Do a little chopping. signed a petition to Town Council for a vacation of Alley East of Joel McMillens Book Store.

Nov 26 Cloudy & colder. commenced snowing about 7 O'clock. snowed so fast we put the horses back in the Barn after hitching them up. thought it too stormy to take them out. circulated our petitions. got several signers. at 11 O'clock as I write it has ceased to snow. Wm hauled a load of coal to Charlie Bown.

Nov 27 Cloudy & Partially clear at intervals. Geo & I cut our Sawlogs bought of Lewis French. called in Joseph Saxon. he is in much tribulation. news in Town to Day that the Leetonia Iron & Coal Co have made an assignment liability about 600000 Dollars.

Nov 28 Cloudy & cold. spent the forenoon in Town. brot Joels X cut saw out. spent thanksgiving with J Clemens. had a pleasant evening. Parker Pillsbury John Gordon & Lady M Robinson & Lady Sim Sharp & Lady with Margaret & I.

Nov 29 Cloudy & cold. Levi Staghley came up and he & I ironed his wagon bed or rather I should say commenced it. after Diner I went out to resume work and was stricken with Paralises. Straghley was forced to carry me to the house my right leg being entirely useless. after some hesitation I agreed to send for Dr Rush who came and pronounced it an attack of Paralises. sent for his Electric Battery applied it. I was carried into the bedroom where I lay with feet close to the fire and in the course of 3 or 4 hours regained the use of my leg. I cannot now scarcely realize how completely helpless I was. never was so affected before. cannot Describe the feeling or rather no feeling I had at the time. my right side was more or less affected but as I write this at 1 O'clock on the 30th I feel all right.

Nov 30 Clear & cold. Wm has gone for a load of Coal for brother Jacob. I had intended our horses to be idle a few Days but he is about our of coal and must have some. Straghley called in to see me and spent an hour with us. brother Jesse called out and took breakfast with us. wind blows cold. spent the entire Day in the house. got news to Day of the Death of Horace Greely of the New York Tribune. Sudden and unexpected.

Dec 1 Cloudy and moderate. snowing this morning with ground well covered. Margaret Nora & I attended meeting. Parker Pillsbury spoke. from there we all went to Mr Purdys where we took Diner and spent the evening. Johny came with the Carriage and brot us home at 8 O'clock. snow still falling is now some 3 inches Deep and warmer.

Dec 2 Cloudy & warmer. snow softening. got the Sleds out and hauled Parker Pillsbury 1/2 cord of wood. spent the forenoon in Town collecting money. had pretty good success. walked home at noon. roads sloppy with snow melting fast but with some indications of turning cold. considerable interest manifesting in Town to learn the particulars of Horace Greelys Death.

Dec 3 Cloudy & pleasant. worked in shop all Day. got Straghleys wagon finished & Geo & I shod Charlie. want to haul a few logs as there is now snow enough and very pleasant.

Dec 4 Cloudy & moderate. shod Jim and went out to Frenchs to haul logs. got one load and found there was not snow enough. took it to the saw mill and then came home again. Wm went for a load of coal. I stopped and took Diner with Harriet Arner. spent most of the afternoon in town. pleasant all Day. paid Belle 2 Dollars. Thomas Cowgill here.

Dec 5 Cloudy with more snow this morning. went up to Town this morning and paid my Tax 74 99/100 Doll. in afternoon repaired our Harness. Geo brot Lizzie out of goshen. very mild winter weather. Horace Greely burried to Day.

Dec 6 Cloudy and pleasant. Wm hauled coal. Geo & I cut saw logs. bought a large white oak of Robt Tolerton. Paid him 5 Dollars for it. Geo & I cut 5.12 foot & 1 - 8 foot logs off of it. fine tree and cheap enough. roads excellent. Parker Pillsbury called a few minutes.

Dec 7 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up but was very pleasant all Day. Geo & I cut sawlogs in Job Lamborns lot. Wm Hauled coal. bought me a pair of gold Spectacles cost 7 50/100 Dollars. bought a pin intended as a present to Belle our hired girl (for Christmas). roads most excellent.

Dec 8 Cloudy and warm. thawing fast with roads sloppy. attended church. had an excellent Discourse on Religeous Revivals. called to see Elwood Vickers who has a slight attack of Fever. spent the ballance of the Day at home. wrote a line to Cid Bowersock of West Liberty Iowa.

Dec 9 Cloudy & much colder with some snow & wind in north. hauled my Knot Down to the Buckeye & made 2 first rate Mauls of it. got back at noon. in afternoon worked in Jehu Snooks shop making a little sled for the children. very cold as I write at 7 O'clock PM.

Dec 10 Cloudy & quite cold. too rough to take the horses out in forenoon but it moderated and in afternoon hauled a load of coal to Thomas Bonsall. I collected 65 Dollars and left with Joseph Kerr for Benj Greenamire for wood he hauled this sumer. Margaret Sis & I went up in afternoon to see ____ on Exhibition at Concert Hall. they were poor things. took Nora & John to see the Panorama it is good.

Dec 11 Cloudy & mild winter. blacksmithed in forenoon. Will is hauling coal. in afternoon worked at the little sled. as fine winter weather as can be. Parker Pillsbury called out and spent the evening with us. how glad we all are to have him with us. he is so congeneal. long may he live.

Dec 12 Cloudy with weather just the Same. Wm is hauling coal and I am Doing next to nothing. roads are splendid but business is Dull. some of our Mechanics are complaining of hard times.

Dec 13 Cloudy & pleasant. hauling coal. I worked some at the sled. spent some time sitting around th stores in Town. nothing going on out of the way of the usual routine of business.

Dec 14 Clear & warm. thawing a little where the sun shines. we are hauling brick to Day to Robt Justice. I spent the afternoon in Town. roads a little muddy but froze up before

sunsett.

Dec 15 Cloudy & cool but pleasant winter weather as can be. went to hear Parker Pillsbury and never was mortal man better entertained than I. in afternoon Margaret Nora & I went Down to Timothys. Mother Goulbourn is in her usual health. roads could not be better.

Dec 16 Cloudy & snowing some this morning. went to Mill & hauled wood all Day. not enough snow fell to make sledding.

Dec 17 Cloudy with weather and roads just the same. Wm & I hauled wood all Day. sun shone pleasant all Day but thawed very little. John Saxon arrived from Nevada at 9 O'clock this morning to see his Father whom I fear is not going to live much longer.

Dec 18 Cloudy colder and snowing fast at 7 O'clock. snowed some all Day. hauled one load of wood. took our Calf up and got it butchered (a very fine one).

Dec 19 Clear & cold. hauled saw logs. got all in that I had on Lewis Frenchs place. John Stanley brot his mules in afternoon and helped us get in the two large Oaks 3 feet in Diamater & 12 feet long. they made a big load but with a little managing we got them in all right.

Dec 20 Cloudy & warm. sudden change in the night. snow is melting fast. worked at the little sled. got the runing part Done and primed it. Paid Sam Sharpnack 15 Dollars. turned cold before noon and at night is froze hard and a perfect glib of ice.

Dec 21 Clear & cold. roughed 2 of our horses and made a little work box from Lizzie Sheets Daughter Hattie. cold all Day. Wm hauled one load of coal and one of wood. snowing & blowing at 7 O'clock PM.

Dec 22 Cloudy & very cold. 16 Degrees below Zero at sunrise. 26 Degrees colder than it has been this winter. wrote a short Article for the Boston Investigator then went to church. came home by Geo Baums of whom I bought one Doz Knives and forks intending them for a Christmas gift to Sis (our Daughter). spent the afternoon by the fire. John Saxon of Nebraska took Diner with us. he is looking well. Broher Jesse spent the evening with us.

Dec 23 Cloud cold and snowing at 8 O'clock AM. sledding is excellent now. will has gone for a load of coal. I am getting little notions ready for Christmas. moderated considerable before noon. at 4 O'clock we hitched to the sleds and took Brother George and his Family to the Depot. they start for West Liberty Iowa. I fear they will have a rough trip it is so very cold. train off at Lucas but we are in hopes it will be out of the way by the time they get there.

Dec 24 Cloudy & bitter cold. Wm & I hauled 4 Sawlogs. took one of them to James

Trotters but found it to much of a job to get Down the hill. was in Danger of hurting the Horses so we brot the other 3 to Sharps. spent the evening in fixing up Christmas presents. Did not get to bed until after midnight.

Dec 25 Cloudy & cold as usual. the children are enjoying their Christmas presents. Wm & I concluded to hitch up and haul the three bug logs while the sledding is just right. we had a mighty cold job of it but we got it Done. have all our big logs in now and feel better. very cold all Day. Belle is well pleased with her pin & ear rings.

Dec 26 Cloudy with about 6 inches of snow Down and more falling at 1 O'clock as I write. Wm has gone for a load of coal stormy as it is as one of our Customers is out. settled with Ed Hise. had a large amount of counting to Do. he is some in my Debt yet but can soon pay it. went up to Pows Bank in afternoon where I had a note fall Due But Robt Hole had assumed the payment of it which is all right as it was in part for his benefit that I threw it in. snowed all Day is plenty now.

Dec 27 Clear & cold at sunrise but soon clouded up. is very cold. I went with William for coal. had to wait while they Dug it but we got back to Town by noon. came home and found J F Dickinson and his Daughters Harriet and Elizabeth here. I was in exticies as I wanted much to see them. had a Pleasant visit. Parker Pillsbury called out and took Tea and spent the evening with us. gave me his Photo for Our Album. it filled the Double page of my Old Anti Slavery Friends (those of the more notable ones). he is a perfect storehouse of useful and interesting information. he told us among many other things of his acquaintence with Madam Pierre Hiecynthe with whom he is intimately acquainted. told some interesting reminiscenses of her. she is a native of Ohio having been born in Bucyrus Crawford County. he showed us her Photo which appears at once Defient and Graceful. several other Photos he showed us. remarkable among them was that of his own Mother who is now in her 87th year. I was loth to see him turn out in the Deep snow and intense cold to go on foot to his Boarding House (Clemens) but he assured me he could stand it well as he had been brought up in one of the coldest of the New England States (New Hampshire) where the Murcury on last Monday the 23rd fell to 50 Degrees below Zero.

Dec 28 Clear & cold. Blacksmithed until noon. went to Town to hunt the team met it. had to wait for coal. too much trouble. got a letter saying George got home safe.

Dec 29 Cloudy & snowing. worked all Day at Straghleys sled. got along fine. he helped all he could. William has gone for coal this afternoon and is not back as I write at 6 O'clock. shall quit that business. too uncertain. Belle is back from Leetonia. went on Saturday. John Saxon started west again to Day.

Dec 30 Cloudy & raining at 6 O'clock AM. sudden change. expect to see the Snow go off now. hope it may make us plenty of water. Blacksmithed all Day at the sleds. snowed all Day. Did not take the team out to Day. too stormy.

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Jan 1 Cloudy & a little cooler. worked hard at the sled all Day. got them pretty nearly Done. William is movingBrother Jacob to Grafton. plenty of snow now. got a line from Geo Hise.

Jan 2 Cloudy & warmer. rained a little about Daylight. finished Straghleys Sleds and am having our hogs Butchered. Stephen Adams and Jo Venable are Doing it. I help them hang them up and make fire. night overtook us before we got Done. left one for the morrow. Mark Lyons of Indiana (who worked a couple of years for us) is with us to night. Will is still moving Brother Jacob.

Jan 3 Cloudy and moderate. thawed all night. snow is getting scarce. finished butchering and got them all cut up ready to Salt. thawed all Day but about sunsett turned colder and threatens to freeze up again.

Jan 4 Clear & pleasant all Day. helped render the lard. collected a little money. Paid Mrs Waterworth 25 Dollars on the wood contract. Done some schores about Town. road excellent.

Jan 5 Cloudy & cool. rained and froze a little. attended church but salted my meat first. Parker walked out with me on his way to Joels. he starts for Plymouth Mass in the morning. 1/2 soled my Boots in afternoon. lost but little time to Day.

Jan 6 Cloudy & cold with more snow. hauled in some logs in forenoon. in afternoon put a new roller in my log sled. will haul wood.

Jan 7 Clear & pleasant all Day. thawed a little in afternoon. hauled logs all Day. got along fine. Geo Trimble brot Down 3 pairs of hames to get altered. he brot them from Philadelphia but they were not quite what he wanted. Mrs Walker & her Daughter Kate visited us to Day. glad to have them Do so. they are old and reliable Friends.

Jan 8 Clear & cool. hauled in 5 Sawlogs all we have cut at present. in afternoon we Done but little. I went to Town. roads excellent but icy. snow about gone of the fields but the roads are one glib of ice.

Jan 9 Cloudy & very cold wind from the west. is too cold to be out but Wm hauled wood. I blacksmithed a little in Town but the wind has been severe all Day. froze hard all Day.

Jan 10 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded over and is very cold with roads one glib of solid ice. too cold really to work out of Doors but William stuck to the wood hauling. the roads are so good we hate to be idle as we have so much hauling to Do with fast approaching spring when we shall have our hands full of other things. I ironed the little

sled or rather part ironed it as it will take another Day to finish it. is horrid cold too cold for comfort.

Jan 11 Cloudy & just as cold yet with the ice all covered with thick frost. too cold to snow. shod 2 of our horses. made a good bed for the pigs what they should have had weeks ago. cleaned up and took to mill 10 bushels of wheat. had some talk with Samuel Hardman about some buildings that I want to sell him. Do not know yet whether he will buy them. got the Index & Investigator.

Jan 12 Cloudy with weather moderated considerable. attended a business meeting at Broad gauge but left before it was through with. Margaret called for me with the Carriage & sled. Nora & I went to John Gordons where we had a pleasant visit. arrived at home at 6 O'clock where we found Joshua Marshall & Jim Post who spent the evening with us.

Jan 13 Cloudy & much warmer. hauled wood. roads are getting sloppy. Sold my crystal Palace Building to Samuel Harman for one hundred and seventy five Dollars to be Paid in twelve months from April next with sixper cent interest. got 7 Brooms cost 87 1/2 cents chap enough. rained a little this afternoon. Mary Wilson Paid me fifteen Dollars on account. owes me five yet.

Jan 14 Cloudy with mild weather. hauled 2 loads of brick from Mercers Kiln to Brown & Smith. in afternoon Wm brot a load of coal for Thomas Bonsall. thawed a little all Day and roads are some muddy. Joel McMillen & I attended the Council meeting this evening. they passed a resolution instructing the Town solicitor to prepare an ordinance for the vacation of the alley immediately East of Joels lot on Main Street. I am to have 3 feet of it for which I am to give one hundred Dollars per foot (payable in Brick). all right thus far.

Jan 15 Cloudy & warm. hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon Wm hauled wood. I spent the afternoon in Town looking up some Property that I think of Trading for. Did not like it. Doubtful if I swap. roads are getting muddy.

Jan 16 Cloudy & warmer. hauling Dirt to Day for J T Brooks from Gurney Block to my Brickyard. want to fill it up what I can. rained at 3 O'clock PM. had to quit before finishing. very muddy.

Jan 17 Cloudy and cold this morning. ground froze hard again. Did not take the horses out to Day. I spent the Day in Town at the Aetna & Buckeye. commenced a picture square for "Thalers Valley". grows colder all Day.

Jan 18 Cloudy and cold with an inch of snow. falling fast. spent the entire Day at the Buckeye making a picture frame. snowed most of the Day. paid Belle ten Dollars. Wm has gone to Leetonia to night. cold as greenland.

Jan 19 Cloudy and cold. roads rough. repaired harness until noon. took Margaret over to see Mother Goulbourn. found her very poorly. left her there to stay alnight.

Jan 20 Cloudy & cold with considerable snow. repaired harness all Day. too cold to work out of doors. at 3 O'clock PM have not heard from Margaret on Mother Goulbourn. must go over to night if Margaret Does not come home. Margaret came at 5 O'clock. Mother is no better. wrote a line to John Gilbert of Philadelphia a nephew of Mother Goulbourns.

Jan 21 Cloudy and warmer and more snow. Wm hauled 2 loads of wood on Sled but snow got too wet & he hitched to the wagon. Margaret is over to see how mother is. I spent the Day in Town. in the evening was on the look out for the pasage of Council of the Promised ordinance vacating the first alley west of Chestnut street & running from Main Street to Sugartree Alley. I went after M L Edwards (one of the Council). found him keeping house in his wifes absence. I proposed taking his place while he went over and voted (as there was not enough without him) which proposition was accepted and he Done accordingly and the ordinance passed unanimously. now Joel & I have the way clear and can go ahead. a fatal case of Small Pox in Town. A Mr Lee who contracted the Disease as is supposed on his way from New York. he is to be burried to night.

Jan 22 Cloudy & cool having froze up. the sledding is pretty good. walked over to Hutchin Satterthwaits to look at timber. from there to Mother Goulbourns where I found Margaret she having been there since yesterday. got Diner & walked from there to Town. after looking around awhile came home. found Margaret here. Mother Goulbourn is much better.

Jan 23 Cloudy and at 7 O'clock commenced snowing and blowing from the East and continued all Day. I walked up to Town and Robt Campbell took me in his cutter out to see his timber he has to sell. I can get all I want of him. he left me at my request there in the woods and I walked over to Joseph Saxons. found him in a truly Deplorable situation suffering with that terrible Cancer and with no hopes of ever being better. he soon fell asleep and I left him making myway on foot through the Storm to Harriet Arners where I met her Brother George who had just arrived from Iowa. took Diner after which I plodded to Town. (still storming). found a line in the Post Office from M L Edwards who wanted to see me in regard to swapping for my Machine Shop (on the corner of Broadway & Locust Street). I called on my way home to see him and after some two or three proposals finally traded. reached home at Dark tired enough but still it is snowing and blowing. snow Drifted much. Jonathan Evans married to Annie Miller.

Jan 24 Cloudy & stormy. spent the forenoon at the Buckeye. at 1 O'clock quit storming and I came home. got Margret & went up town in the Sleigh. Acknowledged the Deed to M L Edwards for machine shop and also got one from him for the property I get of him in Exchange so that all Done with now. glad of it whether I am better or worse off. is of little account with me.

Jan 25 Cloudy with excellent Sleighing. spent the Day in Town. never saw more Horses Sleighs Sleds and People in Town at one time than is here to Day. Wm hauled 60 bushels

of coal to Charles Boone.

Jan 26 Cloudy & mild winter. filed my X cut saws. Sis & I attended meeting. Parker never Done better in his life. Robt & Mary Gee called over a short time towards evening. Jim Post also. I went Down to Jacob Coys and engaged him to help me tomorrow.

Jan 27 Cloudy & cold. Jacob Coy and I cut sawlogs at the Fair ground. got along first rate. Wm hauled wood in forenoon & logs in afternoon. sledding as good as can be. Charles Boone paid me 6 60/100 Dollars for coal.

Jan 28 Cloudy cold and stormy. Wm & I hauled 3 of our large logs and quit. too stormy to be out. Samuel Hardman paid me 15 Dollars paid in by Jacob Hulett (collored). Bought myself a pair of warm mittens cost 2 Dollars. very cold to night.

Jan 29 Clear & so cold I have to heat my gold pen to keep the ink from freezing on it. 22 Degrees below Zero. have Parker Pillsbury Marius Robinson & Emley Thos Sharp and wife Joel McMillen & Sarah here to clebrate Thomas Paines birth Day. we had a pleasant afternoon & evening. hope to repeat it while I live. Ball in Town also.

Jan 30 Clear & cold but warmer than yesterday. hired Thomas Sharps Oxen & hauled in our two large Oak logs. had no trouble to get them in by noon. in afternoon hauled 3 joice logs with the Horses. moderated a little but is yet very cold. sent to Winnetka Ill for 12 numbers of the Examiner. enclosed 2 Dollars to pay expenses. 1 of them was Parker Pillsburys. Paid Stephen Adams 5 Dollars on account.

Jan 31 Clear & very pleasant all Day. hauled in 7 sawlogs to Day. got a letter from George Hise of West Liberty Iowa. says it is Darned cold there 26 Degrees below Zero but on tuesday morning last is was as low as 41 in the Tuscarawas Valley here in Ohio but to Day the snow melted a little.

Feb 1 clear & cold. trees covered with frost which make them appear beautiful indeed. have a cold in my head but will try and help haul logs. got in five. snowed fast at 3 O'clock PM but quit about 5 O'clock. Robt Justice paid me his rent 15 Dollars. he is very prompt. glad of it as I need all the money I can get. rode home with Joel.

Feb 2 clear & pleasant but thaws none. ground hog can see his shadow which is said by the Dutch to indicate 6 weeks more cold weather. let it come altogether. Sis Belle & Will has gone to Grafton. I attended church. had a great Discourse on Voltaires life and writings. Phil Slater was here to buy Dolly but I did not sell her to him. wrote a letter to Geo Hise of West Liberty Iowa. Sis and Nora have gone Down to Sarahs and I am here alone Jotting it Down for pastime.

Feb 3 Cloudy & warm. rained in forenoon. in afternoon snowed in large flakes but at sunsett is raining again. am affraid the snow will leave us. ground my axe gummed & filed my X cut saw. worked a little at the small sled. Sis is in the Store (Fawcetts) again

to Day.

Feb 4 Cloudy & moderate this morning with some indications of turning cold again. walked out the rail road 3 miles. from there went across country to Ellsworth Road 3 miles north of Town. called at Joseph Saxons on my way home. he is wasting away. in evening met Pat O'Conner at Groves Grocery. want to sell him one of my old houses. came home by nine O'clock.

Feb 5 Clear & pleasant all Day. thawed a little but roads are excellent. Wm hauled wood. I spent the Day in Town. Bought a fore quarter of Beef for 4 cents per pound (cheap enough). the Stack for the prospective Nail Mill is all taken and the parties at Wheeling notified to come and fulfill their part of the contract.

Feb 6 Clear & pleasant with mud frozen up this morning but will evidently thaw some to day. went out to Robt Campbells farm to select Sawlogs. came home across country. was home to Diner. spent the afternoon in Town. roads a little Sloppy. Hol Arner & her Brother Geo here.

Feb 7 Clear & pleasant. Wm is hauling wood. I spent the Day in Town Doing but little.

Feb 8 Cloudy & colder. roads hard frozen but thawed a little. Will went to Grafton this afternoon. I spent the Day in Town. Sold Simon Somers what brick he wants this sumer. Belle is up home to night. cold at Dark with some prospects of more snow.

Feb 9 Cloudy & cold with gusts of wind from northwest. made up a good lot of horse nails and one new shoe. attended meeting. listened to one of the greatest most eloquent sermons I ever heard. called at Mr Lowerys (who lives in one of my Houses) and had a talk with him about his buying it. came to terms at least the "wind work". after Diner shod Charlie & put a new handle in Stephens axe. read the Examiner which is just as good as any of them.

Feb 10 Clear & cool this morning. Frank Weis & I cut Sawlogs to Day out at Robt Campbells. Wm hauled wood. roads are as good as can be this time of year.

Feb 11 Cloudy and warmer. rained a very litle last night. Frank & I cut logs again to Day. got Done about one O'clock. think I have logs enough to make what joice we will need. am glad of it. have had a hard and cold job getting logs this winter.

Feb 12 Cloudy and a little colder. ground froze and roads good. Bathed Dollys hawk joint emptied bed ticks etc etc. spent the afternoon in Town. heard with Deep regret that Mrs Gordon is no better.

Feb 13 Cloudy & pleasant. no mud. got Stephen to help me cut Down and saw up the last white oak in the Fair ground. made 10 blocks for Boiler yard for which they give me 5 Dollars. Wm hauled wood and brick. Parker Pillsbury took tea & spent the evening

with us. as pleasant winter weather as one could ask.

Feb 14 Cloudy with weather unchanged. spent most of the Day in Town. Articled with Robt R Lowry for the house & lot sold him in Town. Wm is still hauling wood.

Feb 15 Cloudy with weather just the same. Roads are smooth and Dusty. Jacob Coy & I cut white oak off of waterworths wheat field. got it Done by noon. spent the afternoon in Town. Nora & Belle went to Leetonia.

Feb 16 Cloudy and some warmer. thawed and rained a little. Margaret Sis & I all attended meeting intending to go from to John Gordons and Joseph Saxons but Margaret felt so unwell by the time meeting was over she concluded not to go. Joel McMillen Drove our Carriage home & I walked out to John Gordons. got wet before I reached the house but soon was comfortable. found Mrs Gordon very poorly indeed. she will not live long I fear. rode home with Doctor Rush who kindly offered me a seat with him which I gladly accepted. on my return found little Nora & Belle had arrived safe from Leetonia. went early to bed.

Feb 17 Cloudy & colder. froze up again this morning so that we are not to have mud just yet. walked out to Geo Carsons and traded the note on A W Jackson (on which Geo is Baile) to him for a 4 year old Bay horse. gave him 25 Dolars cash to boot and got soaked badly. found out before I got home the horse was a Cribben but Damned if I grunt about it. will sell him for what I can get and try it again. thawed some and is muddy in afternoon.

Feb 18 Clear & pleasant. Sold my Cribbing Horse to Philip Plater (Collored) who is hauling wood for me. he is to haul 130 cords which we count paying 117 Doll for him. he is a better horse than I supposed he was. I took a Chattel Mortgage on him to protect Phil & myself. roads very muddy. Margaret & Parker Pillsbury was out to see Mrs Gordon who is soon going to leave us. Oh how we will miss her.

Feb 19 Clear and warm sun shining pleasantly. our roads muddy. working at cart for John Gordon to Day. Robt Auld a well Digger got badly hurt in Chessmans well by the bucket of stone that was being hoisted out coming off the hook. 2 of his ribs were broken. being no men at home at the time of the accident the women screamed for help. we heard them (the wind being fair) and I ran up as soon as I could. he had rallied sufficient to get out of the well himself. word had been sent for a Doctor who soon came and I and Alfred Wright assisted in binding up the wound when I hitched up Chessmans Horse to his carriage and took him home. he stood the ride well. am in hopes he is not fatally injured. repaired our Horse Stable.

Feb 20 Cloudy with ground frozen this morning. Wm & I both worked at the Sawmill all Day righting up our lumber. they Sawed 6 logs and would have sawed the seventh but for the breaking of a belt by which we were hindered. cloudy and threatens a storm at sundown. Margaret is making a wrapper for Mrs Gordon (I fear she will not need it long).

Feb 21 Cloudy and stormy enough this morning. rained considerable in the night but as I write at 7 O'clock AM the wind is blowing a gale from the northwest and the ground is covered with wet snow. at 10 O'clock Wm & I went to Eltons Sawmill and hauled in 17 Sawlogs. wind is awful cold on Robt Campbells farm where we got the logs. have 6 more yet to get in.

Feb 22 Cloudy & cold. went out to Campbells and hauled in the 6 logs which completed the job at this time. from there I went to Joseph Saxons. found him but just alive. unconscious and sinking fast. from there went across to John Gordons. Mrs Gordon is very feeble indeed. stayed a couple of hours and came to Town. arrived at home by Dark. Margaret & I took supper with Parker Pillsbury at Joels.

Feb 23 Cloudy & very cold. put a shoe on Charlie. Margaret & I went to meeting. from there to Wm Howels to Diner. Joseph Saxon Died last night. is to be burried Tuesday at 2 O'clock. cold all Day.

Feb 24 Cloudy and very cold. at noon hitched Charlie to the Carriage & Margaret Parker Pillsbury & I went out and took Diner with John & Elizabeth Gordon and I fear (with the latter) the last time as she is very far gone with Consumption. came home early as the roads are horrible rough. took leave of Parker at Betz corner. he starts for Toledo in the morning and Margaret & I to Joseph Saxons Funeral.

Feb 25 Cloudy & cold. loaded a load of brick then hitched to the carriage and started early to the Funeral of Joseph Saxon. roads so rough could go but very Slow. a great many of the Friends were there to render the last Sad rites to his memory. Margaret Did not come into the Cemetery as it was so cold but remained at the house until I returned. quite a number of friends returned and took Diner with them which I was glad to see. we got home in good season. brot Hol Arner & Mrs Ramsden as far as their homes. Frank Weiss commenced this morning for a years work for which I am to pay him 2 hundred Dollars.

Feb 26 Cloudy & cold. Fanny (our Mare) has the wind cholic very severe. thought awhile she would Die but I got John Hunt to come out and he Doctored her up Directly so that at sunsett she seems much better. I made 4 trips to Town and back on foot besides considerable other walking. 1/2 soled my boots. weather moderated a little with wind in southeast but is yet raw & chilly.

Feb 27 Cloudy & cold all Day. settled with Stephen Adams. measured his wood cut on the Fair ground. 110 1/2 cords thus far & some more to haul out yet. got E T Vickers to look our account all over. he found one or two small mistakes and corrected them. got 24 bushels of corn & oats chopped for horse feed. snowed a little.

Feb 28 Cloudy & cold. snow about one inch Deep this morning. Frank & I went out to Robt Campbells and cut 16 saw logs. snowed a little through the Day. am tired to night

more from walking than Sawing however. roads are rough.

Mar 1 Cloudy & cool. Frank & I took the team and hauled in 19 sawlogs. got home by 5 O'clock PM. this I hope finishes the log business for this winter. I have hauled in more or less logs for the last 20 years. would like to know how many but have no means of ascertaining. winter holds on well for the ground is yet froze hard. Sis got a letter from Florrine S Johnson.

Mar 2 Cloudy & cold all Day. Sat by the fire the entire Day. John Deming came out spent the afternoon with us. was glad to have him. he is one of the Old Abolitionists with whom I used to meet in convention. hence a lasting friendship was contracted.

Mar 3 Cloudy and awful cold. Franks foot is too sore to allow of his Doing anything so I took the team and brot a load of coal to Charlie Boone. had a cold ride of it. got home a little after 10 O'clock. Jeremiah Saxon came and got my threshing cylander & shaker for which he is to give me 40 Dollars worth of Lumber. in afternoon I got Stephen Adams to help me saw a couple of logs and I hauled them Down to the Brickyard intending to make a bridge of them. Stormed as hard from the northwest and blowed as cold as I ever was out in. was glad when I got back to the house. Sis returned from Leetonia where she has been for a week past. clear & very cold at 7 PM as I write.

Mar 4 Cloudy & cold. 4 Degrees below Zero. froze harder last night in our cellar than any night this winter. worked all Day in Town making a jack for hoisting wagon to grease it. very cold all Day and as I write at 7 PM is still very cold.

Mar 5 Cloudy & cold. done but little of anything to Day. called on Philip Evans and talked an hour or two. went up to Jonathan Evans to see his colt he talks ome of trading to me for my mare. I like the colt well. would like well enough to trade if we can trade right. thawed a very little.

Mar 6 Clear and warmer. sun shone pleasant all Day. blacksmithed in forenoon. Philip Evans came over to look at the mare. Doubtful if we trade. bought 113 Lb of beef at 5 cts per lb of John Hunt. cut it up nice.

Mar 7 Clear & warmer. Frank hauled 2 loads of coal. I Done but little to Day. roads are very sloppy. Margaret & Sis went over to see Mother Goulbourn. she is well. will freeze none to night. am smoking my meat. wrote a line to Geo Trimble giving him Directions how to use a jack I send him on the morrow.

Mar 8 Clear & some cloudy at intervals through the Day. hauled 1000 Brick to John Forehope & stuck up all our lumber that is sawed. wind blowed hard from the west all Day. Dried the mud fast. Paid Belle 2 Dollars. she is up at her Mothers to night. clear & moon light at 9 O'clock PM.

Mar 9 Cloudy & moderate. went with Wm Howel over to John Gordons. he took his gun

& on the way shot a Partridge for Mrs Gordon. we found her some better apparently. returned in good time and on our way out called on Thomas Wilsons. his son Harry is still bad with Scrofula the worst I ever saw any one.

Mar 10 Clear & cool. ground froze this morning. took the team to fair ground where we split a wagon load of Rails and brot home. in afternoon Frank hauled wood. I worked at clothes Horse. thawed through the Day. 2 funerals this afternoon in Salem.

Mar 11 Clear & warm in the Sun. I worked at clothes rack. Frank sorted apples. cleared out the cellar in morning. I went to Buckeye & sharpened all our and some of the neighbors scissors. sharpened 9 Pairs for Mrs Chessman who thought it was lucky that I happened along as they was about out of shears that would cut. tried grinding at my red stone of which I want to make a watch seal but it is so hard I soon got tired. have had it about 16 years During which time I have worked at it considerable. it is very far from being finished yet. will make a nice one when finished. have a terrible cold and like all other colds I get Do not know where & when I got it. roads muddy. Wm Baxter Died of smallpox at 1 O'clock to Day the 3rd fatal case out of Six in Town. I fear we shall all get it.

Mar 12 Cloudy & cold. ground froze hard again this morning. finished my clothes horse and a good one it is. have too bad a cold to work more to Day. Frank is Digging up 3 of our evergreens being they are too thick. laid by the fire all afternoon.

Mar 13 Clear & cool. ground froze sollid. clouded up is cold all Day. Frank gathered up the wood that was scattered over the Fair ground and racked it up there that it can be hauled when the roads are fit. I finished the picture frame commenced some time since and took it to John Gordons to have it varnished. Sis is absent to night at David Yenglings to stay all night. Belle is over to Jonathan Evans and will probably stay all night. roads softened a little. Aaron Bradfield has the Small Pox. there is now 9 cases in all with 3 of them fatal this far.

Mar 14 Clear & very pleasant all Day. Frank & I moved 3 of our evergreen trees and made a good job of it. I think they can never know it. ground Stevens axe and made him a present of a first rate knott Mall. 2 more cases of smallpox reported to Day.

Mar 15 Cloudy & warmer. Frank & John is picking stone off the meadows. I blacksmithed most of the Day. Brother Jacob is here to Diner. In evening I & Johny went over to Philip Evans Sugar camp. got a jug of sugar water. I helped Philip carry molasses to the house. they had what would make about 6 gallons. from there I went to Town. Bought 9 paper sacks to tie up hams. rained a little through the Day and in evening is raining as I came home. wind blows hard from west.

Mar 16 Cloudy with weather a little colder. sat by the fire all Day. Cousin Margaret Wisner & her son Hesse Hise his wife & children were here to Diner & spent the afternoon with us. Jesse recited the lecture that he proposes to Deliver on tuesday next in

the evening. it is quite creditable.

Mar 17 Cloudy & colder. ground froze hard this morning. Frank picking meadow. Margaret went to Leetonia with Margaret Wisner & Mary Hise. I Done nothing but carry a bushel of apples up Town. rained in evening.

Mar 18 Cloudy & wet. Traded Horses with Philip Evans on yesterday or rather we exchanged but traded several Days since. rained all Day. worked in shop in afternoon. in evening attended Brother Jesses Lecture. was well pleased with it. gave general Satisfaction.

Mar 19 Clear and pleasant this morning. Frank hauled a load of chips from Fair ground after which we hauled & rolled in logs at the Sawmill until both of us were very tired. quit before night.

Mar 20 Cloudy & wet. rained all the afternoon. I ironed my singletrees. Frank repaired and oiled some of our harnness. in afternoon we hitched up Jont (our new black Horse) for the first time and drove up Town & back. he performed very well for a start. sold 3 bushels of Rambow apples at 50 cents per bushel. snowed in evening and as I retire is still snowing. bought Nora a fine umbrella cost 3 50/100 Doll at Fawcetts.

Mar 21 Cloudy & cold with something like an inch of snow Down. left home with the intention of going out to the Valley (6 miles) on foot to a Sale but when as far as Town concluded it would be foolishness to go and accordingly I spent most of the Day in Town. stormed from the west & snowed off and on all Day. Drifted several feet thick in places between here and Town. John D Jones came to Day. is going to make his home with us. Leases child Died with Small pox this morning at 7 O'clock the 4th fatal case.

Mar 22 Cloudy & cold with plenty of snow. spent the forenoon in Town. Lawson Harper paid me the interest on his lots up to April first 1873. settled with Stephen Adams & paid him off $6.41 cts. sold him Potatoes & apples this afternoon so that our account is open again. he works for me most of the time. spent the afternoon at home. am some unwell.

Mar 23 Cloudy and warmer. sun came out and melted most of the Snow. I made a picture frame for Sis and patterns for stone work of the Building up Town. exchanged eggs with B Hilman. want to sett a couple of hens. Aaron Bradfield Died of Smallpox this morning. Methodist Conference in full blast. 200 Preachers here from surrounding circuits. Belle went home to wash.

Mar 24 Cloudy & cold again this morning. mud all froze up again and wind in north. Frank picked stone. I spent the afternoon in Town. rained and froze as it fell. Johny & Nora got vaxinated by Doc Rush. no cases of Small pox to Day.

Mar 25 Cloudy & cold. ground and everything out of Doors covered with ice. worked in

shop most of the Day. repaired my wagon and matac. thawed and is very muddy. bought 14 Oyster plates cost 1 25/100 Doll.

Mar 26 Cloudy & cold. ground covered with snow this morning. wrote a note to Professor Henkle for Johny Shepherd. he is in Difficulty with his Teacher and I suspect it is her fault. Johny came home at night without seeing Henkle which makes me suspect that he has witheld a part of the story from us. Sat by the fire all Day after Blacksmithing a spell in the morning. Frank repaired harness.

Mar 27 Clear & cold with 2 inches of snow. went with Johny to Mr Henkles where we soon negotiated a Peace and both parties were reconciled & Johny resumed his Studies. Bought myself a pair of good dividers cost 1 Dollar. brot our large Picture frame home and put it up. it now looks well. cleaned up 10 bushels of wheat & took it to Mill with Jont & Frank. roads about as muddy as can be. Samuel Chessman notified me that I am appointed with Luis Keen and Richard Garrigues as appraisers of the effects of the Salem Manufacturing Company that has been forced into Bankruptcy. I am truly sorry to know that this is the case. I fear my Friend Chessman will be a heavy looser. Ed Hise is with us to night.

Mar 28 Clear at sunrise. will surely be pleasant to Day. went to Kennett & Amblers office and was sworn in as an appraiser and we commenced operations. find it a tedious and troublesome job. will take us a week at least. Frank built fence what he could. warm all Day. roads are as bad as they can get. Sis came home with the tooth ache.

Mar 29 Cloudy & wet. spent the Day at the Machine Shop. got along pretty well with our job but will be there several Days yet. called at Gus Wiggens & brot little Nora home. she had ben there all Day playing with Carrie Layman. snowed and stormed in afternoon. is very Disagreeable out of Doors. Frank & Johny stripped casing off the Kiln.

Mar 30 Cloudy cold & raw. spent the entire Day in the house. made a rough Draft of the Block we want to build on Main Street. Cold and raw all Day. Frank went to Leetonia. returned in evening. Sold James Post 1/2 bushel of apples for a quarter.

Mar 31 Cloudy & moderate but some snow in spots yet. spent the Day appraising. will take several yet. moderated some and is most terrible muddy. bought Margaret some cotton batton for comforts and a ball of cotton yarn.

Apr 1 Cloudy and warmer. Frank & Johny is repairing fence. I am still at Machine Shop. at 1 O'clock commenced raining hard. was wet most of the afternoon. thundered at 6 O'clock and after Dark got quite windy.

Apr 2 Cloudy and windy at 6 O'clock AM. spent the entire Day appraising. it is a tedious job. hoped to get Done to Day but I fear we have 2 Days work before us yet. Frank & Johny is repairing fence.

Apr 3 Cloudy and moderate. ground is settling and mud drying up. spent the Day in coppying assets of Salem Manufacturing Co but Did not get through but think we can now see the end. pleasant all Day.

Apr 4 Clear & very pleasant this morning. went up Town to resume our job of assessing or appraising but got notice to suspend for awhile so I done up some other schores. mud drying up fast. John Street paid me his account 22.00. was glad to get it.

Apr 5 Clear & warm. hauled in logs until noon. am very tired. spent the afternoon in Town. Done but little good for myself or any one else.

Apr 6 Cloudy and pleasant. sacked our hams after which I drew a ground plan of our Block on Main Street. spent the entire Day at home. towards evening went to Brother Jacobs and Dug some Horse radish & a few parsnips. thundered lightninged and rained a little but the roads are Dry and rough.

Apr 7 Cloudy and dull but warm and pleasant. spent the forenoon in town. in afternoon commenced tearing away our Old houses in town. want now to get redy for the new ones as soon as possible. Harry Wilson (Son of Thomas) Died last evening. he has been sick over a year.

Apr 8 Cloudy and threatens rain and is a little cooler. wrote a line to Will Hise telling him to come on to work. went out to see Mrs Gordon. Brother Jacob accomapnied me. we went from there to Harry Wilsons Funeral. I rode into Town with John Gordon. am too unwell to work. Bought one bushel of clover and one bushel of Timothy seed for which I paid 10 Dollars. warmer in middle of the Day but no rain.

Apr 9 Cloudy and Dull. head very much out of sorts this morning. shall abstain from eating as far as practicable and see what effect that will have. tore out some of the Doors and windows of our old house up Town in afternoon. laid by the fire as it rained all the time. in evening went to Town and got Will Hise a pair of boots cost 5 Dollars.

Apr 10 Clear windy & cool. Will Frank & Johny stuck up our joice at Sharps Sawmill. I being unwell Done but little of anything. Sis returned from Leetonia where she had been since Sunday last.

Apr 11 Cloudy and cool. Will & Frank stuck up boards and joice at Eltons sawmill. I helped put in bridge at the Brickyard in Town. rained in afternoon. Johny loaded brick.

Apr 12 Cloudy & cool. Will & Frank are pulling Stumps. I assisted at brickyard. got the run turned back in its old chanell. Saw Isaac Gilbert in Town. Jarvis Whinney paid me 300 Dollars on the Brick he bought.

Apr 13 Clear and warm. attended the lecture of B F Underwood both morning and evening. they were splendid. Isaac Gilbert came home with me. spent the afternoon

withus. mud dried up fast to Day.

Apr 14 Clear and a little frost this morning. Ironed a singletree and made a couple of clevises for Benj Hilman before breakfast. Sis & I papered one of Jake Coys rooms in forenoon. the afternoon I spent in Town. the Boys pulled stumps. Paid the interest on my Borrowed money 75 70/100Doll.

Apr 15 Clear and some cloudy at intervals. looks a little like rain. tried the plow but it is too wet. hauled boards & brick and one load of coal. took Down our small brick shed. want to haul it up to Town. Paid Lowery one hundred Dollars borrowed money. got a letter from G B Alaback of East Palestine asking the price of Brick. answered it this evening.

Apr 16 Cloudy & cold. hauled our shed poles and forks up Town. Will Hise Dug the holes and Frank & Johny hauled brick to Simon Somers job. I cleaned away the trash and rubbish that we could pile the brick up snug. Brought 2 loads of Old mortar home and spread it on the Potatoe patch.

Apr 17 Cloudy & cold but moderated toward noon. set our forks & put up the poles by noon. hard on my nerves but we got them all up Safe. Johny & Jacob Coy are taking Down the remnant of our Kiln that we uncovered and piling it up for safe keeping.

Apr 18 Cloudy & cool. hauled brick and made board fence. too wet to farm. Margaret & Nora went over to Grandmother Goulbourns this evening to stay all night. Bought Johny socks and shirts.

Apr 19 Cloudy & cool. finished setting front fence posts and then commenced to fence the orchard. spent the afternoon in Town. Frank & Johny hauled Brick. Margaret returned this afternoon.

Apr 20 Cloudy & cool. made a pair of brick molds. Margaret & I rode out to see Mrs Gordon. she thinks she is some better but poor woman she looks bad. I spent the evening with Joseph Ball at Joseph Fawcetts. came home at 9 O'clock. raining and dark.

Apr 21 Cloudy wet & cold. Will & Johny Dug post holes in forenoon. in afternoon Johny & Jake Coy took Down brick. I got out stuff for another sett of brick molds. Frank returned this evening. the colt stood the journey very well. snowed very hard from northwest a portion of the afternoon. Isaac Gilbert spent the evening with us. was pleased to have him do so.

Apr 22 Cloudy & cold with about one inch of snow. made a pair of pipe tongs for John Gordon. Signed Jesse Ducks Bond to the General Government as collector of Internal Revenue in 17th Congressional District. spent most of the Day in Town. snowed and stormed too bad to work out of doors. had some conversation with John Marshallabout building my Cellar inTown. had expected to get Fred Noosebaum but think he asks us

too much for his services. John Marshall is my first choice but as his health has been poor I did not expect he would be able to do it but he now thinks he will and would like to have the job.

Apr 23 Cloudy & cold. hauled one load of brick. nailed on fence boards. in afternoon Frank brot Stephen a load of coal. Will & Johny making fence. cold all Day.

Apr 24 Cloudy & cold. ground froze this morning. Will & I tearing out the Old cellar wall. Stephen is helping us. Frank & Johny is hauling brick. Belle has gone to Jonts to night.

Apr 25 Cloudy cold and at 6 O'clock AM is snowing fast. loaded Brick for Daniel Zimerman sold him 3000. assisted in taking stone out of the cellar. hauled the coal house Down to Stephen. made a good job of it.

Apr 26 Clear & cold. ground froze and covered with one inch of snow. Oh for warm weather. sun shone out and melted the Snow. hauled some brick. got the stone all out the cellar. Pidgeon paid me 50 Dollars. cold rain most of afternoon. Paid the threshers 8 35/100 Doll.

Apr 27 Clear & cool. got up early. went Down to Kapps to see about stone. can get all I need there. worked some at Brick molds & made a new Stone boat. Mrs Walker her nephew (Abel Smith) & her two Daughters visit us to Day. gave him Mary Gordons name. he says he will call on her at her shop in Philadelphia.

Apr 28 Cloudy & Dull. commenced Digging our cellar but in afternoon it rained and of course we had to quit. Will & Frank boated stone off of Kapps field. no prospect for making brick or sowing Oats.

Apr 29 Cloudy cold and Dull. Johny & I finished Gordons cart. Will & Frank fenced the Orchard and piled up our fence posts of which we have an abundance (some hundreds). am going to put a shed over them. cleared off a little at sunsett and really seems as though we might have a fair Day tomorrow.

Apr 30 Clear & pleasant most of the Day. three Teams hauly Dirt out of the cellar to Day. bought 2112 feet of good poplar boards of Charles Getz for which I am to pay him 225 cts per per hundred 47 52/100 Dolls it come to. Frank hauled lumber coal and brick. cloudy at sunsett. Bought 50 foot tape line.

May 1 Cloudy. 3 teams hauling Dirt & 3 men loading them. got along fine until 1/2 past 2 PM when it commenced raining and continued on until bed time. Taylor moved one of the buildings off without any trouble. we have now ample room to dig. Frank plowed the Oats ground while it could be done but was forced to quit before night.

May 2 Cloudy & wet. heavy thunder & rain this morning at 4 O'clock. too wet now to

Do anything but sit by the fire. Isaac Gilbert spent the evening with us (last evening). Will & I made a fence on Broadway. fenced in our clay bed. in afternoon Johny Will & I stuck up our boards. Frank hauled some brick boards & a load of coal. rained some through the Day but sun shone sufficient to Dry the mud a little. Frank plowed in afternoon. be nip & tuck if we get oats sowed.

May 3 Cloudy & wet. rained most of the night. Joseph Ball spent the afternoon and took Supper with us (on Yesterday). I had no room to record it on the other page. at 8 O'clock concluded to go to Canton to sett a cedar tree to Luie Yondalls grave. went to the 3rd nursery before I found one to suit me but got off on the 12 1/2 train. found her parents well. after 6 O'clock her Father and I walked out to the Cemetery and sett out the tree. she lies in a beautiful place and I have now fulfilled that I had intended to Do for her since her Death and am now content. stayed all night with her Parents who seem to be very kind hearted People.

May 4 Clear & frosty at Canton. got up at 4 O'clock and breakfasted at 5. 1/4 before 6 John (Luies Father and I started for the Depot where we had to wait about 3 hours for the Train as it was behind time but at length it arrived and I took of Friend John and started for home where I arrived about 1/2 past 10. found Uncle Silas here. was glad to see him. he is all the Uncle I have left. he & I sauntered over the farm afte which we each took a sound sleep out of which we were awakened to take Diner soon after which he departed for home and I again slumbered most of the afternoon as I was fatigued. went early to bed.

May 5 Clear & pleasant this morning. looks now as though we might get something Done yet. Frank plowed sod. Paid Charlie Getz 47 50/100 Doll for poplar boards. all hands worked at the cellar.

May 6 Clear & warm. Frank plowing for Oats. the ballance are working at the cellar. getting along pretty well. cloudy in evening. go early bed.

May 7 Cloudy with wind in the East. work at Brick molds before breakfast. Jacob Coy sowed what Oats we had ground plowed for and Frank harrowed it in altho it rained moderately. commenced about 1/2 past nine & continued all Day. Margaret Sis & Nora and I all visited and took supper with Grandpap Barsely. a pleasant visit. raining when I go to bed. Salmon P Chase Died in N Y.

May 8 Cloudy cold and wet. still raining at 7 O'clock AM. Johny & I made shoes and shod 2 of our horses complete after which I ironed my brick molds. hitched Dolly for the first. took potatoes up town. hauled a small load of brick. brot home a keg of 8 P nails. in evening we all attended brother Jesses Lecture. he had quite a good Audience. bought myself a pair of Socks cost one Dollar. rained hard in afternoon.

May 9 Cloudy & wet. can do no farming to Day but go to Williamsons Sawmilland stick up boards. Margaret went with us as far as Saxons where she stopped and visited until

noon. after getting our Diner we left immediately for home. brot a load of shed boards home with us. no rain to Day but is cloudy & Dull. sett some forks at Brick shed but was soon driven home by the rain.

May 10 Cloudy & cool. no prospect of Dry weather yet. Will & Frank fenced in apple trees along the lane. I spent most of the Day in Town. Joseph Ball & I sat together on a Dry goods box looking at the passers by not one in twenty of whom either of us could recognize so rapidly does the population change. he has been absent from Salem 12 years and of course knew fewer than myself. but we both enjoyed ourselves very much. Bought Johny & myself a new hat.

May 11 Cloudy cool & wet. Joseph Ball visited with us to Day. Brother Jacob came up from Leetonia to visit us. he and Joseph had not saw each other for 44 years but strange to say they knew each other at first sight. brother Jesse and wife came out and spent the afternoon with us so we had a pleasant Day of it indeed. in evening I walked with Joseph as far as Philip Evans lane endwhere we separated he to go to Joseph Fawcetts & I to Jont Evans to accompany Belle home. we returned early. grass very wet it having rained about sunsett. Isaac Gilbert called out to bid us farewell as he starts west in the morning. I gave him two peices of wood for his Uncle Joshua who is collecting specimens from all parts of the world.

May 12 Clear cool & wet. got up early and went over to Tom Sharps sawmill. stuck up a little lumber. Frank Plowed sod. the ballance of us worked at the cellar. Johny made a little garden. threatens rain all Day. Sarah Thomas (wife of John W Thomas Died to Day aged 76 years. they moved to Salem from Penn in 1825. Elizabeth Fawcett wife of Wm Fawcett Deceased some 15 years ago also Died to Day. she was the Daughter of Zacheus Test who Died in the winter of 1819 and whose lifeless remains I saw passing our Door on a sled when I was but 6 years old. but it made such an impression on my mind at the time that it can never while life lasts be effaced. a child of Yerkes Howel also Died to Day making three in all.

May 13 Cloudy and windy. cool for time of year. worked at the cellar. in afternoon attended the Funeral of Yerkes Howels child. it was but 2 months old. was very beautiful even in Death. was prettily dressed and Decorated with flowers. went back & took supper with the Family. got our Oats about all in. ran out of seed or we would have been Done. cold enough for frost at sunsett.

May 14 Cloudy & cold. finished sowing oats this morning. worked at the Cellar. got all Done to it that we can Do until the houses are off. Sarah Thomas burried to Day. cleared off towards sunsett and is cold.

May 15 Clear & cold. getting ready to make brick to Day. went over to Tim Gees to hire a hand. got the promise of one tomorrow morning. took Breakfast with Mother Goulbourn. she is very well indeed. Tina Fuller is here to diner. Jake Coy commenced making brick at noon. got out 2000 by 1/2 past 5 O'clock. I have Done a little of

everything to Day an am tired. Elizabeth Fawcett burried to Day.

May 16 Cloudy & cold. have to hunt another offbearer. Henry Venable wont Do to tie to. have the promise of William Farmer. planted one patch of Potatoes. made 4000 brick.

May 17 Clear & cool. got up early and dressed a pick for Cris Bowns (clay digger). got Juno and went Down to Widow Yates to buy Oats but she had sold what she had to Spare. Bowman commenced molding up Town to Day. made 3000 for a start. paid all the hands. want to pay them every Saturday. bought 75 bushels of Oats of the Brothers Eliots at 40 cents per bushel to be Delivered at the Buckeye mill. clear & cool all Day. Margaret is visiting at Sarahs this afternoon.

May 18 Clear & cold. stiff frost. got up early and cleaned the Brick shed ready to hack up brick under. weather is now fine and brick are drying fast. shod "Old Mike". mended Margarets wheelbarrow & Done lots of other schores. have been busy all Day. have so many things to see too have no time to idle away particularly on Sunday. Margaret went out with Joel McMillen to see Mrs Gordon. he returned without her. concluded to stay all night with her. cold as I write at 7 O'clock PM.

May 19 Cloudy this morning. got up at 4 O'clock & Johny & I cleaned up a grist of wheat before breakfst. helped Johny take Down casing an hour or two when a Mr Camp came to castrate our colt. assisted him and went to Town with him. took our wheat to mill. hauled 2 loads of sand to brickyard and brot our grist home. got 35 lb of corn meal for chicken & Turkey feed. rained a little about 6 O'clock PM. Harrowing our corn ground.

May 20 Cloudy & Dull. carried a good load of bark kindling into the coal house. could not bear to see it get wet. rained a fine little shower at 7 O'clock but soon dried off. worked at the old houses all Day. Milton Davis hauled out 4 large glass Doors 2 of which I want to make a Dormar window in the Barn. he got some Oats straw to fill beds & put under carpet. I lost a letter belonging to Sis that I took our of the P Office. hate amazingly. Sold the Old house bought of Joel. made 20 Dollars on it but will give him at least one half. Dont feel right to keep it all although it would be perfectly legal for me to Do so.

May 21 Cloudy cool and Dull. got up at Day dawn & moved wood at the brick yard until 5 O'clock when I made fire and put on the kettle. after breakfast went up Town and took Henry Olders obligation in favor of Joel McMillen for 8430 Brick in consideration of a house I had bought of Joel but which I Did not care to retain. handed it over to Joel. came home and commenced setting our Brick. want to keep them sett up as close as possible. went up town in evening to see how things were working. they had got the house as far west as James Browns. am fearful Bill Miller willnot get his away in which case I shall have to move it myself.

May 22 Clear & very pleasant. went up and helped Joel put the large windows in his stable loft for safe keeping. Johny & I sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon we planted at the corn. got in 68 rows. hacked up Brick after Supper and went up Town where I staid talking with Milton Taylor until after 9 O'clock. an unusual thing for me to Do. came home and go to bed tired enough.

May 23 Clear & warm. got up by Daylight and sett brick until breakfast time. James Philips came along early on his way to Joshua Hilliards and told me of the fire up Town last night. broke out at ten O'clock in Jos Casselberrys cook house in Trescott Block and burned out the entire wooden block including the Eldredge Property so that now there is no building between Steel & snyders Dry goods house and Lease and Vernons Brick block. there seems to be entire Satisfaction that the Old rubbish is burned out. even the owners express their satisfaction. it will now be built up with good substantial business houses. finished planting our corn by 6 O'clock PM but had to stick very close to work in order to get Done. the ground is now Dry and a shower would be very acceptable.

May 24 Clear & warm. collected a little money. hauled 2 loads of sand and a load of fence Posts. the latter to James Davis. heard with profound sorrow of the Death of Mrs Gordon although it was looked for. she passed away last night at 11 O'clock. I dropped a line to Parker Pillsbury anouncing the fact to him as he was a particular Friend. the old Houses are all off of our lots now.

May 25 Clear Dry & warm. repaired one of our molding tubs before breakfast. sat around all Day and rested. Dave Yengling with wife & 2 boys visited. was pleased to have them. he brot a rustic Basket for Margaret. particularly acceptable.

May 26 Clear & warm. got up at 4 O'clock intending to walk out to John Gordons to see if services such as I could render were wanted but after consulting Joel McMillen (who had been out) concluded not to go as everything pertaining to the funeral of Poor Mrs Gordon was progressing satisfactorily. Frank is hauling manure on the Potatoe patch. I work some up Town. Jo Mills tore the Roof off of South side of Barn. I sett some brick etc etc.

May 27 Cloudy at sunrise. got everything as near ready as I could. Margaret Sis & I attended the Funeral of Mrs Elizabeth W Gordon (wife of John Gordon). never attended a Funeral where everything said and done seemed so harmonious. Arthur B Bradford spoke a few minutes to a very good purpose. Marius Robinson made a few very appropriate remarks after which E V Wilson (a Spiritualist who happened to be present) also Delivered a short address. Clemen with his Female Choir sand most beautifully. I returned to the house from the Cemetery and stayed until late in the afternoon. came away reluctantly and with a sorrowful heart. Mrs Gordon was a Dear friend of ours and we shall never forget her but Death has laid his withering touch upon her and crushed the bright flowers of her living hope. her earthly troubles are now over and we know her rest is sweet for ever this handful of Dust. all of her priceless treasures then indeed might we disparagingly weep.

May 28 Clear and cool. Frank & I loaded a Car with Brick to go to East Palestine for Alaback & Jasper. John & Harry hauled brick in afternoon. made full days work on both yards. brot home 4000 Shingles for Barn roof. have no time to write more. cool at 8 O'clock when I retire.

May 29 Clear & pleasant. got up before light. sett brick until breakfast. helped Frank haul one load of brick this morning. brot home 2 bushels of Potatoes (Peach blows) and Frank planted them while I hauled Sand & Brick. Johny & Harry sett brick. Paid Mr Elliot 10 80/100 Doll for 27 bushels of Oats. he Delivered them at the Buckeye Mill for me.

May 30 Cloudy & cold this morning. threatens rain. hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon all hands up Town and as it is Decoration Day a great number of people were in. very cold at sunsett but no rain yet. is too cold for that.

May 31 Clear & cold. some frost this morning. Paskall Seeds & Benj Hilman came on this morning to put Dormar windows in and shingle our Barn. I assisted them most of the Day. Robt Hole Paid me 50 Dollars on account. made but 4000 brick to Day. Jake Coy & his family went to New Lisbon.

Jun 1 Clear & warm. weather Dry enough with no prospect of rain at present. shod Doll & Charlie. went out to see our corn. found the cut worms are taking it about clean. find 5 or 6 in a hill. will Devote the week to their extermination. must or get no corn. Charles Hoiles our Old Friend who lives in Greenville Ill called in to see us. John Watson of Mt Union called with him. he too was a school mate of Margarets and about the Same age but is now like the rest of us looking Old. they stopped but an hour or two.

Jun 2 Clear & pleasant. 6 boys in cornfield Killing cut worms. find as many as 10 in a hill. commenced Digging at the cellar again to Day. had 3 teams. got along well. wrote a letter to Joseph Bryant of North Benton concerning lime I want to buy. made 8000 brick & took 12000. getting along swimmingly. Mary Yengling here to Day assisting to make soap.

Jun 3 Clear & warm all Day. Dug at the cellar with a full force. Frank & 4 Boys at work in the corn killing cut worms & replanting. everything is moving along right but it takes lots of money to pay for it. Laid & sharpened our pick since 6 O'clock to have them ready for morning. go to bed early.

Jun 4 Clear & warm. worked at the cellar until 1/4 past 4 PM when it commenced to rain. had a heavy shower. Done a vast amount of good. made 8000 brick. Louis Williamson Died last night at 10 O'clock of Hemmorage of the lungs. sudden & unlooked for.

Jun 5 Cloudy & wet with a good shower about Daylight. too wet to make brick but

cleared off and Dried well. Wm Everhart spaded garden and sett out 25 choice tomato plants. in afternoon he hauled 3 loads of sand to brickyard. I drained the water out of our cellar and got it ready to work at on the morrow. James Whinney commenced hauling his brick to Day. am glad of it as they will soon get in our way.

Jun 6 Clear and cool. very fine growing weather. worked at the cellar. got along rather slow. so many obstructions of one kind and another. makes it hard to get along. no clay Digger to Day. he Drank so much beer on yesterday that to Day he is unable to work but still (say the Dutch) beer is goot and hurts no one. spent the evening hunting a clay Digger but could find none that is reliable.

Jun 7 Clear cool and pleasant. went out about sunrise to see the cornfield. poor showing for corn. never saw the cut worms half so bad. bought $1.93 cts worth of beef. worked all Day at the cellar. could not collect enough money to pay off the hands. got the loan of one thousand Dollars of Jesse Duck for which I pay him 8 percent interest. engaged it of him several months Since and was keeping it as a reserve but collections are so hard to make was compelled to break on it. I am to give him a Mortgage to secure him. preparing to do so rather than to ask any one to go my security. I am no ways affraid but what I can pay it if Margaret & I keep our health.

Jun 8 Clear & cool. very pleasant. wrote a letter to Bill Mercer of Philadelphia. Margaret & I attended the Lecture on Darwinism & its bearing on popular Theology by Arthur Bradford. never was I so well pleased by Mortal Man as I was by that Discourse. If that was not written out by pen of Inspiration then indeed may we Despair of ever hearing such an one. from the Lecture we went over to see Mother Goulbourn. she is very well. got a little seed corn as we have to plant ours all over again the cut worms having made a clear sweep of it.

Jun 9 Clear & pleasant. built lime house in Town and hauled 3 loads of Sand into the cellar. want to commence the Stone work soon. Jo Mills squared up the cellar on the west Side ready for the Stone work. Frank & the two boys are replanting the corn. run out of seed and Frank has gone over to Timothy Gees to get more.

Jun 10 Clear & moon light when I get up and blacksmithed until Daylight. went to Brickyard as sett brick until breakfast time. took the Team up Town to haul dirt out of cellar. fixed up the cellar Drain complete and got the west side of it ready for the Stone Mason to commence but the lime Did not come as it clouded up and rained at 5 O'clock PM. was cloudy all Day. we hauled a few brick in afternoon. went up town after Supper and walked out in the rain as it rained moderate all the evening.

Jun 11 Cloudy & Dull. Frank & Wm Everhart Drawed the last of our saw logs into the mill. I loaded brick in forenoon. in afternoon Frank & I put our shed and hauled 2 loads of Brick. made brick in afternoon. set out 110 cabbage plants this morning.

Jun 12 Clear & cool all Day. Coy made 6000 brick & Bowman 4000 to Day. I attended

matters up town. Pack Seeds commenced facing joice & cut his Knee I know not how bad. Frank sheared our Sheep. got 34 bu of ____ cost $8.50. cool at sundown.

Jun 13 Clear & cool. got up early & planted some broomcorn seed before breakfast. took the team up Town. hired a Driver and Dug at the cellar myself until about noon. after Diner walked over to James Heddlesons where I hired a Horse & Buggy for one Dollar to Drive to Lisbon & Back (cheap enough). they asked me 3 Dollars at the Livery which I considered too much. Done up the business I had at Lisbon Satisfactory and got back in good time. Saw the new Court House for the first time and like it much. it looks substantial at least.

Jun 14 Cloudy & cool. threatens rain. Coy could make no brick to Day for want of yard room. none Dry enough to carry off. I assisted at the cellar until noon. in afternoon hauled Sand. Frank hauled brick in afternoon. moved casing in forenoon. Pidgeon paid me 50 Dollars on yard rent. rained a little about 10 & 11 O'clock but not enough to stop us from work. got along first rate. Joe Mills made up a bed of mortar in readiness for Monday morning. Thomas Cowgill is with us to night. Johny went to Leetonia.

Jun 15 Cloudy soon this morning but soon cleared off and is pleasant all Day. Ironed up and finished off a whelbarrow to use about our building. John Gordon called out and spent a couple of hours with us. read us a consolatory letter he received from Parker Pillsbury. it was a beautiful worded and eloquent leter as might be expected from the Man. few if any one can equal him. Sis went to Leetonia. Johny returned well.

Jun 16 Clear & warm. fine weather as can be asked. Just rain enough to keep vegetation growing. the Stone Masons commenced laying up our wall to Day. they are making a superb wall. Digging at Joels cellar to Day. rained at 1/2 past one O'clock but did not stop us long.

Jun 17 Clear & warm. sett brick until breakfast. hauled Sand until noon. Frank is resetting fence. Johny & Harry setting brick. masons are at work on the cellar wall. both set of hands making brick so that everything seems to be moving along about right. I sett brick and helped make fence. in afternoon was very warm and I am tired as I write.

Jun 18 Clear & warm. got up in good time. looked over our corn field. the replanting is coming up nicely. if the worms but leaves it alone we may have some corn yet but is certainly late. helped at the cellar all Day. Frank finished the fence and in afternoon hauled brick. I sent a blank check to New Lisbon to pay my Tax. Johny rode Sis's Colt this evening for the first time. he made no opposition seemed to have no objection whatever.

Jun 19 Cloudy all over at Daylight but no rain. soon cleared off and is very warm all Day. sett some brick. helped clear out the well in the cellar in Town. hands still Digging at the cellar. gets along slow. it is so warm men cannot stand it to work as hard as tho it was cooler weather

Jun 20 Cloudy and at peep of Day rained a little. I jumped out of bed went Down and covered the Brick but soon all appearance of rain vanished. assisted at the cellar. getting along well. John Gordon presented a copy of the letter Parker Pillsbury wrote him condoling him on the Death of Mrs Elizabeth Gordon (his wife). I think it beautiful.

Jun 21 Clear & warm all Day. sett brick & put on some shed up Town. been very busy all Day. paid out 105 Dollars to the work hands. next week will not be so expensive.

Jun 22 Clear & warm. got up early and shod Jim (Horse). slept considerable but in afternoon sett brick. clouded up and looked a little as though it might rain. covered all the Brick but at bedtime there is but little prospect of rain. ground is getting Dry.

Jun 23 Clear & warm. got up early and churned. sett brick all Day. John Barcus & Heaton Venable is helping me (up Town). Joe Mills is working at the Cellar. Cloudy with a little sprinkle of rain at sunsett. Johnson Marshal gave me a small puppy for Nora. she is much pleased with it. put it in a box for the night.

Jun 24 Cloudy with a good rain last night. freshed vegetation up about right. sett all the brick at the home yard and what we could at the yard in Town. rained hard at 8 O'clock this morning. had a slight shower or two through the Day and at 7 pm have a heavy rain. sett out a few cabbage plants have room for a few more yet. will try and get some more in the morning.

Jun 25 Cloudy and wet dull & foggy. got up at 4 and churned before any one else about the house was up. sett brick all Day. Frank hauled Brick. cleared off in afternoon with cool wind in Southeast. Margaret got a letter from West Liberty Iowa in answer to one she wrote last October.

Jun 26 Cloudy & cool. got up early and churned. helped sett brick until noon. both sett of hands making brick to Day but the weather does not appear to be settled yet. I hauled one load of brick & 3 loads of sand besides setting several brick. rain appears to over at present is cool. Nathan Gaskills wife Died of Dropsy.

Jun 27 Clear & cloudy at intervals through the Day. both sett of hands make brick. rained about 4 O'clock PM. I sett brick most of the Day. am getting along well.

Jun 28 Cloudy & Dull. got up early and Done a churning before anyone else was up. made fence at the brickyard in forenoon. is very warm but one sett of hands making brick.

Jun 29 Clear & Dull. got up and churned before sunrise and took the gaurds off of my mowing machine and Dressed them up and altered a pair of brick to make a peculiar shape. want to put some fancy work on our block up Town. Uncle Silas came over to Day. is going to help me split stone tomorrow. at 7 O'clock pm commenced to rain. never saw it rain much harder. more rain fell in the same time than has fell here for years.

got early to bed. would like to go to brickyard but is so Dark could do no good there. I expect I have lost at least 20,000 brick as there is that many exposed.

Jun 30 Cloudy & wet. rained some in the night. got up in good time. Done the churning and charpened several picks before breakfast an all hands will get stone to Day as it is too wet to Do anything else. worked at stone splitting until 2 O'clock when it commenced to rain & rained hard about all the afternoon. Uncle and I stood under the Trees until we got wet then came to the house and sett by the Kitchen Stove until we both went to sleep. Dryed our clothes on our Backs as we both Do that way and seldom to cold.

Jul 1 Clear and warm all Day. worked hard at our stone splitting. got out some large peices nearly all I shall want. Uncle went home this evening as he has too much to Do to help me any more at present. Robt Lowery paid me his first payment this evening (54.81/100 Doll. Margaret has a new pair of pants Done for me to night. Did not come any too soon as getting Stone about used up the Old ones.

Jul 2 Cloudy. got up at 3 O'clock & went Down and covered the Brick. rained at 4. 3 of us sett brick. too wet to Do anything else. having plentyof rain now. Sis & Ed went to Pennsylvania to get married. returned about 8 O'clock this evening and went Directly to their own House to spend the night having everything in ample order to go at once to keeping house. brot my money from Palestine.

Jul 3 Cloudy & wet having rained considerable in the night. will have to sett brick again to Day. too wet to Do anything else. got all sett by noon that was under the shed and that is dry enough. cloudy & Dull. James Whinney paid me one hundred Dollars on account for Brick. got the length of iron girders & columns for our Block and other things ready. want to go to Pittsburgh on the morrow to ____ them. Nora goes with me to see Carrie ___. blowing and raining at 9 O'clock PM.

Jul 4 Cloudy and threatens rain. Nora & I start for Pittsburgh at 9 O'clock. Belle is going with us as far as Leetonia. nothing going on here. we started at 10 1/2 O'clock. Train being behind time an hour and twenty minutes but we reached Alleghana City in good time. went to No 6 Federal Street where we found Gus Wiggins who told us where to find his residence. went and found Carrie & her mother both well and apparently much pleased to see us. Nora & Carrie were soon on the Street and from there into the Public Park which by the way is a huge affair far surpassing anything of the Kind I had ever saw. we strolled in it until Dark. spent the evening in looking about.

Jul 5 Cloudy at Pittsburgh (where I find myself this morning). went out Penn Avenue to 33 st where are to be found the Union Iron Mill the most extensive Establishment of the kind I ever saw. here I Bought Our iron girders that will weigh 4,600 lb and will cost 6 2/10 per lb. from here I came Back to Water Street above the Bridge where I bought our Columns that will weigh about 3600 lb costing 7 cts per lb. in afternoon took the little girls over into Birmingham to see them blow glass but the blowers were not at work. we came back into Pittsburgh. went aboard of the Steamboat Juniatta and looked it all over

to the Delight of the children. from here we went on board the Chartiers Valley Ferry Boat & made the round trip which was another pleasing item for them. went into the Court House and Roman Catholic Church both huge edifices. went home and after supper took the girls to the Theatre. they was well pleased but I was bored. got home (to Carries) about 1/2 past 11 O'clock. went Directly to bed.

Jul 6 Cloudy and Dull. got up at 5 and walked about the City until 7. called into Doctor Hazletts office and spent the time until breakfast after which I & the little girls walked up the River a mile or so. walked up chestnut street to Ohio. Down it to the Park to Humballs Monumnet. strolled around the small lakes where were Swan and wild geese. gold fish in abundance which to Nora were fine sights. came home took Diner & at 1/4 to 2 started on the cars for home where we arrived all right but Margaret was absent. soon returned.

Jul 7 Clear & fine this morning. looks now as though the rain was over for a few Days. ground my cradle scythe & sett brick. clouded up in afternoon but Does not look much like raining. got a line from the Auditor of State to whom I had written to see if I could not get some Tax that I had over paid. he ordered it refunded. Frank is working the corn. Jesse Deetrick is moulding to Day. Jake is cradling wheat.

Jul 8 Cloudy & Dull. made 6000 brick. hauled one load of joice took care of brick etc. Jake Coy cut 11 Dozen of our wheat but it is a little green yet. cooler at sunsett.

Jul 9 Cloudy but Does not look much like rain but is poor haymaking weather. wrote a letter to County Auditor enclosing an order from Auditor of State for the refunding to me of some of the excessive tax I have been paying. it is only one half what it should be but 1/2 a loaf is said to be better than no bread at all. attended to schores this forenoon. in afternoon sett & cased at the Kiln in Town. Wiley Ward helped me. cleared off and is every prospect of good weather now. moon is full and shining bright.

Jul 10 Cloudy but too cool to rain. all hands making brick. Wiley & I sett & cased at the Kiln. get along pretty well.

Jul 11 Cloudy but soon cleared off and is very pleasant. Wiley & I cased at the Kiln until noon when he went to Binding wheat & I to see Phil Plater. he is to send a team on monday morning next to haul wood. I cased some toward night. quite cool at 8 O'clock PM as I write.

Jul 12 Clear & fine weather as can be. both sett of hands making brick. I finished setting the Kiln up Town & cased at it until noon. Frank cutting wheat. things move along about right. it is now Doubtful if we make any more brick out here. must Do our harvesting now.

Jul 13 Clear & warm. got up at peep of Day. cleared out the Barn ready to put in Hay. got the mowing machine in trim. read the New York Day. interesting article in it on

Spiritualism. Johny & I hacked up and covered all our brick 12000 so now I can sleep Sound. no visitors to Day.

Jul 14 Cloudy but not much like rain. commenced our mowing. I & 3 others cased at the Kiln. got along well until 3 O'clock PM when it commenced blowing and raining tremendously. wet our brick considerable but I cannot complain when I think of James Whinney whose house (a new brick that took 80000 to build) blew Down. ruined it entirely. will all have to be rebuilt which will cost him not less than one Thousand Dollars. very wet. got an order on the County Treasurer for 959 cts refunding Tax over paid.

Jul 15 Cloudy & wet. shod horses and Done other work about the farm all Day. rained most awful hard in forenoon. washed our brick that is out about all Down. shall have to make a lot more Down at Coys yet. cleaned up the last of our wheat & took it to mill. hard on bread this Sumer.

Jul 16 Cloudy at sunrise but at 6 O'clock there is some prospects of a "hay Day". will cut Down a little more grass & try it. "nothing ventured nothing gained". got one field Down & in the Barn. threatens rain in afternoon but none fell. I shocked up our wheat that had been spread out and am so tired at sundown that I can scarce walk but after sitting awhile feel all right again. go early to Bed.

Jul 17 Cloudy at sunrise. rained a little about seven O'clock but clears off and is a fair hay day. am mowing a little but the ground is so soft and wet that we can Do but little good at it. got one half of the field cut and hauled in 3 loads of wheat.

Jul 18 Cloudy & at 6 O'clock rained hard. is too wet to harvest and we are hauling stone & sand. hauled in 2 jags of hay & 1 load of wheat. all goes right in Town.

Jul 19 Cloudy & Dull. cleared off and sun shone some. hauled in Some wheat & 1 load of hay in forenoon. I worked at the cellar all Day. in evening I went to the Circus. took Belle Nora & Allace McMillen. very good show. got home 1/2 past eleven. go Directly to bed.

Jul 20 Clear & cool. got up at 4 O'clock. the Show is leaving going toward Lisbon. I made clamps for holding our limehouse together. feel a little Dull caused by loss of sleep & a cold. attended meeting to hear Mr Bradford but felt too Dull to enjoy it as it Deserved. was an able Discourse entitled "the Sufficiency of Natural Religeon". came home and tried to sleep some but could not. gave Charles Jobes the moddle of my Rail Road joint. he is going to try and introduce it in Texas. he is to have one half of all he can make out of it. rained in evening.

Jul 21 Clear & pleasant with uncomon heavy Dew this morning. finished cutting another meadow and got a part of it in. got in all the wheat. I hauled Sand and worked about the Cellar all Day. the hands got the Kiln ready and we sett it on fire at 7 O'clock PM.

Jul 22 Clear & pleasant. was up with the Kiln all night. would not mind it at all only that I have such a cold as keeps me coughing about all the time. helped the masons put the foundation of our fronts. some huge rocks that cannot give way. our Kiln is warming up nicely. wood being hauled. grass cut & put in. bricks being made and everything moving along fine. attending the Kiln myself.

Jul 23 Clear & warm. Frank is cutting grass this morning before breakfast. Kiln is warming up right. threw our molding machine away & got Joels. it Does first rate. got Down the entire meadow & got it in the Barn. Wm Everhart hauled coal. Kiln is Doing fine. Wiley came at noon to help me burn it. took the shed off. it caught fire before we got it all off. Dick hauled wood.

Jul 24 Clear & warm. Kiln is good and hot this morning. cut & put in half of another meadow. if tomorrow should be favorable we will get Done with our hay. Wiley improves as we proceed although he and I are both tired to night. no prospects of rain at present. Joel McMillen Benj Hilman are both hauling stone for me so that we will keep the stone masons going. want to get the cellar Done this week.

Jul 25 Clear & warm. Kiln is Doing fine. Wiley & I are running it ourselves and both improve as we proceed. Will finish our hay this afternoon. got hay all in. Johny ____ in Town this afternoon. Bowman has the Ague. Kiln is Doing fine. Philip Tream Died to Day.

Jul 26 Cloudy and very warm last night. was most uncomon warm. clouded up about midnight and at 4 1/2 this morning rained a shower. I called in at "Grandpap Barsleys" who lent me a coat so that I got home dry. am sorry it rained as we wanted to rake our wheat Stubble. Frank worked the potatoes. Wm Everhart raked the wheat Stubble it having Dried out nice. Kiln is Doing fine.

Jul 27 Clear & warm. shut up the Kiln at Daylight. got a good burn. cleared up and Margaret & I went over to see Mother Goulbourn who is now quite poorly. is past 86 years Old. found her in bed very weak but suffering no pain. came home about sunsett. am Drowsy and will go early to bed.

Jul 28 Cloudy & partially clear at intervals. no brick making to Day on account of sickness. I helped Benj Hilman haul one load of large stone after which I helped what I could at the cellar. in afternoon worked at the centers on which to build our coal vault under the pavement. Frank finished the potatoes and hauled in the wheat rakings when it rained hard. Will Everhart hauled sand.

Jul 29 Cloudy & wet. finished my centers and took them up Town. all hands at work there as it is too wet to make brick. Margaret is over to Mother Goulbourns to Day. she is very poorly. expects to Stay to night. Frank hauled 2 loads of Stone and a load of coal for Jo Mills.

Jul 30 Clear & warm. both sett of hands making brick to Day. I make lime box. Bought a Horse of J M Brown. gave him a note on Samuel Hardman calling for one hundred and seventy five Dollars on the first Day of April 1874 and he gives me fifty Dollars to boot. settled with James Whinney. he will pay me what is Due me in a few Days which will accomodate me very much. got a letter from E Goble & Co East Palestine asking the price of my Brick. answered them this evening.

Jul 31 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up. rained a couple of Showers in afternoon. The Stone Masons finished the cellar at noon. measured it and paid them off 91 80/100 Dollars and took their receipt. both teams hauled sand in afternoon. I made mortar bed. Bought a new pump cost 5 Doll. put it in the well and Jo Mills made up a big bed of mortar ready to commence the brick work tomorrow.

Aug 1 Cloudy. built the vault to Day. hauled stone & joice & Sand made some brick etc etc. cleared off at noon and is warm all Day.

Aug 2 Clear & warm. one team hauled Sand. Frank is cutting Oats. I assisted at the cellar. turned hub & Spokes for wheel for elevator. Done up schores generally.

Aug 3 Cloudy and threatens rain at sunrise. our brick are all in good shape that can be put so. Made 12 good mortar boards. worked some at my elevator wheel. burned off and is warm. took Diner and spent the afternoon with Joel & Sarah McMillen and they in turn spent the evening with us. cool & pleasant.

Aug 4 Clear & cool. stripped the Kiln. put on the shed and hauled out 3 loads of brick. all hands making brick to Day. called up to see Reason Bricker. want him to help lay our brick he is going to Do so. quite cool at sunsett feels frosty. Frank is cutting our Oats.

Aug 5 Clear & cool. got up in good time. looked after the horses brot them in & fed them. hauled 2 loads of Sand to Brickyard. made another mortar bed. tore Down casing etc etc in forenoon. Johny & Harry are hauling brick. hauled 8400 brick to Day. Fitz Allen Brady is helping cut our Oats.

Aug 6 Clear & warm. made a good lime seive before breakfast. took a load of Brick from our lower yard & hauled a load of Scaffold Boards. I walked to James Whinney & hired him to haul 20000 Brick for me to Robt Justice. Ed Hise & Johny Jones commenced laying brick in the Cellar. at noon are getting along fine. Frank is at work at the Oats but is hardly able having Drank too much cold water a day or two since. I loaded brick all the afternoon. getting along finely.

Aug 7 Clear & warm. got up early & churned before breakfast. loaded 18000 brick to Day. am some tired. Drew 200 Dollars. paid Joel 187 50/100 to pay for the girders. Paid Wm Everhart 10 Dollars & Belle one. covered the Brick as it looks some like rain at 8 O'clock PM.

Aug 8 Cloudy with little show for rain. hauled brick. Frank & Everhart got our Oats in. Ed & John got one partition wall up & commenced the second one. cleared off and all appearances of rain vanished.

Aug 9 Clear after sunrise but foggy early. churned before sunrise. helped Pack Seeds put on one sett of our joist. made a splendid job of it. Frank & Will Everhart hauled joice & Stone. got along first rate. got 48000 brick made this week. got a letter from John Hise of Hartford Warren Co Iowa.

Aug 10 Clear & warm. Joseph Ball came over to day and I made him a plane for making lamp lighters. got a good one. he took Diner with us after which he went to Joseph Fawcetts where he is to meet company otherwise he would have liked to have stayed with us longer.

Aug 11 Cloudy with some indications of rain. Frank & I hauled stone. got in 7 loads of large range and one load of sills. Sam Murphy came on this morning. he & Harry Coy hauled Brick. Johny Shepherd loaded them & Whinneys team. Mrs Charles Snyder (a Daughter of Isaac & Anne Webb was burried to Day. Funeral very large. also a Daughter of Robt Hole burried to Day. sent a letter to Pittsburgh.

Aug 12 Clear at sunrise. made tempering crib in forenoon. hard rain at 11 O'clock. Frank hauled Scaffold boards. all hands sett brick in afternoon. wind & hail South of us. (Mother is fifty two years old to day).

Aug 13 Clear at sunrise with a dense fog at Daylight. as I write at 6 O'clock bids fair to be a fine day. Pack Seeds & I put on another sett of joice. Ed Hise went to Leetonia. Jacob is sick.

Aug 14 Cloudy & wet. the Boys hauled brick in forenoon but was too wet in afternoon. rained about all the time. roads are horrid sloppy. I sett brick. got all sett at both Kilns. got a letter from Pittsburgh giving me the price of Sheet Copper 16 cts per lb.

Aug 15 Cloudy & Dull but no rain. hauling joice & Brick. some are casing the Kiln. I am helping first at one job and then another. laid one range Stone & sett up a corner on Joels room. Wm Hinchcliff is cutting mine as fast as possible.

Aug 16 Cloudy & Dull. hauled brick joice scantling Stone lath window & Door frames. I assisted about the building. John Yengling & Reason Bricker commenced laying brick on Joels wall. cleared off in afternoon & now looks as though we might have some fine weather. Robt Hole Paid me 50 Doll.

Aug 17 Clear & cool at sunrise. got up early and Painted Door & window frames. at ten O'clock took the Carriage & Sis & went Down to Grafton to see Brother Jacob who is now some amiss. found him comparitively comfortable although his right foot seems powerless. I fear something serious will come of it. Ed came home with us. we drove

Jont and he went well.

Aug 18 Cloudy & wet but all hands worked most of the Day. I assisted at the Building. Frank commenced to plow the wheat ground but got too wet in the afterpart of the Day. Brick layers layed lots of brick to Day.

Aug 19 Cloudy but no rain. sun shone a part of the Day. 5 Bricklayers at work putting them up fast. I helped Hinchcliffe put Down range stone & Door sills. got all on the west and north wall. clear at sunsett. wrote a letter to Chamberlin & Co East Palestine in answer to one from them enquiring for Brick. I have none to sell them at Present.

Aug 20 Clear & warm all Day. got along splendid at the building. everything seems to move along about right. the Boys have our big Brick Kiln nearly ready to fire. that well burned I shall be glad.

Aug 21 Clear & pleasant. got up at 4 O'clock. churned. went over to Ben Hilmans & bought 1/4 of Mutton cost 150 cents and am now jotting it Down before breakfast having nothing else to do and am restless if entirely idle. worked at the building all Day. got the Kiln on fire this afternoon. must attend it to night.

Aug 22 Clear or partially so. attended the Kiln last night. rained about ten O'clock as hard as it usually Does. assisted about the building most of the Day. Johny is taking the watersmoke off the Kiln. after supper go to the Kiln.

Aug 23 Clear & very warm. was with the Kiln all night. it seems to be Doing well. finished hauling the burnt brick we have to the Building. hauled coal & raw brick. finished making Brick out here. shall make no more here as the clay is too shallow. spoils too much ground.

Aug 24 Clear & cool. John Coy helped me last night and Wiley came on this morning to assist us. I am going to superintend and help what I can. am too nearly worn out to Do as much as I generally. Our Philadelphia Cousins the Miss Gordons called out and took Diner with us Brother Jesse & wife also. Nora got a Silver thimble.

Aug 25 Cloudy and partially clear at intervals. Kiln is Doing well. Thomas Cowgill called on us to Day. Margaret went up Town and called on our cousins. they are coming out to See on the morrow. threatens rain but none fell here. hauling out our manure and hauling coal for Kiln.

Aug 26 Cloudy & foggy. having trouble with our Kiln. cannot get the fire through in places. rained in afternoon. both teams haul wood. Kiln is Doing better. Mary & Mattie Gordon took tea with Ed & Sis after which they came Down to the Kiln & witness the firing. vey hot. Uncle Silas accompanied them.

Aug 27 Cloudy & Dull but no rain last night. Kiln is Doing fine this morning. want to

finish it to Day if possible. Harry hauled wood and unburnt brick. still hauling manure with one team. shut the Kiln at 9 O'clock PM. Done a sight of hard work while burning. Wiley helped us clear through it.

Aug 28 Cloudy & wet. Nora is still poorly and Ed & Sis are both absent with Brother Jacob who I fear is fast approaching his Death. I shod 3 of our horses by noon. in afternoon went up Town. too wet to haul manure.

Aug 29 Clear & cool. all hands at work again about right. I spent most of the Day in Town. spent the evening at Jesses with Mary & Mattie Gordon. the Bricklayers finished laying what brick we had. hauled this afternoon.

Aug 30 Clear & pleasant. worked up Town until noon. the Boys finished hauling green brick up Town. got the manure about all out. I looked around for a centre pole in afternoon. Frank went to Alexander.

Aug 31 Cloudy. got up early. hitched up Bill & Jim and hauled a load of Boards up Town. Moses Townsend is with us to Day. came out last evening. took Supper & stayed all night. is on his way to Philadelphia. Ed & Margaret went Down to see Jacob. he is better.

Sep 1 Clear & pleasant. commenced hauling brick. put up the shed up Town. sett and made brick. Our Kiln is not as well burned as I had expected but we can probably work it up. Wiley is helping me take off casing. Frank finished hauling manure.

Sep 2 Clear & very fine all Day. got Bowman to make 4000 round ended brick & Joe Mills and I made and opening in the Kiln in which to sett them as we must have them if possible. both teams hauled brick to Day.

Sep 3 Clear & warm. both teams hauling brick. I assisted about the building in forenoon. got 400 lb of Flour at the Buckeye. am to return it when we get our wheat threshed. clouded up in afternoon. I went to work and hacked up our round brick. just got them covered when it commenced to rain an at 8 O'clock PM it is still raining.

Sep 4 Cloudy & Dull. laid brick all Day. are getting along fine. no rain through the Day. I helped make Scaffold. Jesse Deetrick & Wiley are casing our 3d Kiln. will soon have it ready to burn. Frank White burried to Day. Frank White burried.

Sep 5 Clear & warm. helped make Scaffold and sett a few of our Brick. Frank hauled Sand and the other team Brick. cool toward evening. heard from Brother Jacob. he is no better and I fear never will be. sold a few Brick. could sell lots of them if I only could spare them.

Sep 6 Cloudy but very pleasant. sett brick. both teams hauling to Day. growed cooler towards evening. heard from Brother Jacob. he is more comfortable & cheerful (glad to

know it).

Sep 7 Cloudy & Dull. got up at peep of Day & put the entire Day in at work on the caps and Elevator. Jonathan Evans and wife called over. spent the evening with us. glad to have hem. lent him Paines Age of Reason want to have him read it. Sis & Ed returned from Leetonia. left Brother Jacob comfortable. cleared off & is cool at 9 O'clock PM with moon shining bright.

Sep 8 Clear & pleasant all Day. got our building ready for first sett of joice. want to put some of them up tomorrow. I sett brick. both teams hauled Brick. sold a few brick. find it a hard matter to keep them. Margaret is Down at Sarahs this afternoon.

Sep 9 Clear & warm. put the joice on our building. James Stanley helped us. had good luck. got them all up without a mishap. Paid Joe Miller 5 Dollars.

Sep 10 Clear & warm. got up early and made 6 large bolts to bolt our iron girders together. hoisted them to their places and got about redy to lay brick again. hauled joice and brick.

Sep 11 Clear & warm all Day. worked steady at the Elevator. got it up and ready for operation. hauled brick. Wiley fired the Kiln at noon. I will attend it to night.

Sep 12 Clear & warm. attended the kiln last night. it seems to be Doing well. Wiley is attending it to Day. I am assisting about the Building helping put up joice etc etc. the Bricklayers 4 of them are at work again to Day. I am 60 years old this Day having been born sept 12 1813. feel well and well satisfied with life thus far. might possibly better it and on the other hand might worst it had I to live over again. feel a little sleepy as I write (at noon) in consequence of being up last night. one of our Tempering tubs gave out & we were forced to move one of those out from here. Did not get it completed. lost 1/2 Days molding in consequence. I must attend the Kiln to night.

Sep 13 Cloudy & Dull. atended Kiln. feel a little stupid in consequence. repaired the tempering tub by noon. in afternoon went to Leetonia to see Brother Jacob. found him comparatively comfortable but in a critical condition. went on the Cars but walked back and after eating a bite of Supper am jotting it Down. must tend the Kiln to night.

Sep 14 Cloudy but must have been partially clear before Daylight as there is quite a frost in low places this morning. Kiln is Doing about right. worked with it all Day.

Sep 15 Clear & cold with heavy frost this morning. Kiln is Doing fine from appearances. Stephen is threshing some seed wheat for me to Day. Frank spreading manure. others hauling brick.

Sep 16 Clear & warmer. Kiln is Doing well. harrowing wheat ground. sold some brick to go to Georgetown. no prospect of rain. ground Dry. Brother Jacob no better.

Sep 17 Clear & cool but no frost. Kiln is nearly Done. had an application for brick to go to Mineral Ridge. had none to spare at present but hope to have in ten Days. want to finish the Kiln to night.

Sep 18 Clear & pleasant . shut the Kiln about Day light. think we have an excellent burn. got lintels & colums ready to raise but found two of the range stories short and ____ could not raise until we got stone work done.

Sep 19 Cloudy & wet. rained considerable in forenoon. got our wheat sowed and harrowed in by noon. sowed it yesterday. worked at the ____. got some of it ready to raise. Ed has gone to Leetonia. Brother Jacob I fear is near the end of his Earthly career. Lizzie Wait is at Brother Jesses on her way to see Jacob.

Sep 20 Clear & cool. raised some of our front but got along rather slow. both teams hauled brick. Brother Jacob some better to Day (suffers less).

Sep 21 Clear & cold. heavy frost. Nora has gone horse back riding her & Allice Down at sister Unas. I repaired Sis's chair.

Sep 22 Clear & pleasant. 2 hands cutting up the corn 2 hauling brick. the rest of putting up the iron front. rained in afternoon. could Do but little.

Sep 23 Cloudy & Dull. finished putting up the iron front. made a good job of it. no brick layers at work to Day. threshers came at noon with L Sharps Steamer. it Does good execution. will take until noon tomorrow to get Done.

Sep 24 Clear & pleasant. got two bricklayers at work this morning. want to move it along as fast as possible now. got the threshing all Done at noon. had about one hundred bushels of wheat. only threshed 65 bushels of Oats. want to cut the ballance in sheaf. getting along fine on the Building to Day. paid Frank 10 Dollars.

Sep 25 Cloudy & wet. was hindered some by rain but got considerable Done notwithstanding but Pack & I had a tedious job but succeeded in getting it Done. have the front now ready for the brick work.

Sep 26 Clear & pleasant. opened our new Kiln of Bricks. got out one load of good front brick. it is well burned. start for Leetonia at Six PM to see Brother.

Sep 27 Clear and pleasant. got back from Leetonia at 1 O'clock this morning. slept on the Lounge. found Brother Jacob Suffering very much with his Sore foot. was reluctant to leave him but could Do no good if I staid and had to be here this morning. are have no Brick laid to Day. Rachel & Mary Hise arrived here on yesterday from Iowa I omitted to mention it in its proper place). got the front corners started on the 2nd Story. Margaret aunt Kate & Mary Hise all went Down to see Brother Jacob I fear for the last time. Brot

Sister Lizzie Wait home with them. she has been Staying with him a few Days.

Sep 28 Clear & pleasant. painted 4 more of my window frames before breakfast. must go Down to Leetonia to see Brother Jacob.

Sep 29 Cloudy & warm. left Brother Jacob asleep. wish I could say better but alas that is now beyond a hope. he is most assuredly passing from us. I walked home. left him at 3 O'clock AM. arrived at home before Daylight and got a nap of sleep before breakfast. was enabled to Do a days work selecting and hauling brick. rained considerable through the Day but we got several brick laid on the front.

Sep 30 Cloudy & cool all Day. assisted at the Building. all hands hauling brick attending masons etc etc. heard from brother Jacob he is comfortable rendered so by Morphine I suppose. wish I could have gone Down to night but it seemed impossible to get away.

Oct 1 Clear & frosty. all hands at the Building getting along well. Margaret has a cold but is not entirely disabled. Aunt Kate & Mary are with us again. Paid a Draft for Columns 182 35/100 from Pittsburgh. moon shines bright & is cool.

Oct 2 Clear & cool. all went well with us on the building. Frank & Sam hauled the joise to Mill to get them slit in 2 for celing joise. I am some unwell bowels are out of order. feel some better as I write at 8 O'clock PM. Moses Townsend is with us to night on his way home from Philadelphia. Frank & Sam cut up corn this afternoon. am affraid to leave it longer lest it may get injured with the frost. it has escaped thus far. Robt Hole paid me one hundred Dollars on account. Hugh Stewart Died.

Oct 3 Clear & pleasant. building goes on finely. I Done but little not feeling very well. must go and see Brother Jacob to night. took Supper at Jesses and start from there. Sister Lizzie Wait accompanied me.

Oct 4 Cloudy an warmer. got up at 4 O'clock (or rather was up) and fed my Horse. started home about 5. left as comfortable as he ever will be. I fear he is fast sinking away. I was up with him most of the night. rained at 9 O'clock. all hands quit. Carrie Laymon here from Pitt.

Oct 5 Cloudy & Damp. will try to rest to Day. Aunt Kate & Mary have just gone over to Mother Goulbourns. Belle has returned from Town where she went last evening. the boys are all gathering chestnuts and thus the Day is being put in. Parker Pillsbury spoke to Day but I felt too Dull and tired go knowing I could not Keep awake. awoke from a nap on the floor at 7 O'clock PM and told that I must go to Leetonia to see Jacob as they think he cannot live until morning. of course I go.

Oct 6 Cloudy & wet. rained all night. I waited on Brother the best I could. poor man he is passing from us. he is aware of it and awaits with Patience the fast approaching summons. Says he has no Dread of Death. left him at 5 O'clock and expect to return to

night as I must be with him all I can. Brother Jesse was with me and came home in my conveyance. worked at the building all Day cold raw as it is. 4 Brick layers at work. Frank hauled our ceiling joist back from Sharps mill.

Oct 7 Cloudy & cold. 4 Bricklayers at work to Day. got along fast. Mother Gant Died to Day. Parker Pillsbury took Supper with us after which we had a short chat. he did not stay late. cleared off and is pleasant.

Oct 8 Clear & cool. all hands at the Building to Day. am getting in a hurry. Ed Hise came at noon and worked on the front. got 2 of the stone caps on. they look well. Ed & Will Hise both went to Leetonia to night. one of them will have to stay as Brother Jacob cannot Do without one or other of them.

Oct 9 Clear & warm all Day. all hands at the building. Doing what we can to get it Done. Margaret is over to Mother Goulbourns visiting with her sister Rachel.

Oct 10 Clear & warm. Ed has not Back at breakfast but the hands are at work on the back wall. Will & Frank are here at noon hunting the Horse.

Oct 11 Clear and moonlight. at 4 O'clock AM I was awakened by a rap on my window and a summons from Brother Jesse Saying that Our Brother Jacob was Dead. Expired at 12 O'clock last night an event we had been looking for. suspended work on the building and am getting things in readiness for the Funeral which takes place to morrow at 2 O'clock PM from the Baptist Church. went Down to Leetonia in afternoon. took Sister Lizzie Wait & Our Daughter Mary Ann Down. left them there. rained at 4 O'clock and is still at it at bedtime as I write.

Oct 12 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up. growed colder. Johny & I took 2 of our Horses out to John Gordons got his Carriage to go to the Funeral of Brother Jacob. a large concourse of people called at his house to take their final leave of his remains. at 12 O'clock the Funeral procession left Leetonia for Salem where it arrived at 2 O'clock PM. the Corpse was carried by 6 of his Friends belonging to the Furnace into the Baptist Church where as foolish a Discourse as I ever listened to was Delivered by the creature that occupies the pulpit there. aside from that everything passed off as beautifully as one could wish. he had a very handsome coffin. looked as natural as if but sleeping. he rests in as handsome a place as is in the Cemetery under the Branches of a wide spreading Sugar tree. Peace be to thee Brother now and Forever amen.

Oct 13 Clear & pleasant all Day. at 4 O'clock PM it is some cloudy. 4 Bricklayers worked on the Building to Day. got it almost ready for the upper tier of joise. only one team hauling to Day. Hetty Gibbons Colored Died this morning.

Oct 14 Clear & very pleasant all Day. got our walls all up and joise on. getting along first rate. Sold some brick. paid off the Brickmakers and quit for the year. to get good ready for next. Rachel Hafley & Robt G Wood Died.

Oct 15 Clear & warm all Day. fine Indian sumer. raised our Elevator and got everything in readiness for the bricklayers. want to pitch in tomorrow and get the walls up if possible this week.

Oct 16 Clear & warm. got up early & made fire. the butcher not coming as soon as comon I feared he would not come to Day & as we thought we must have steak for breakfast I started and walked to Town and bought one Dollars worth but before I got 1/2 way there our butcher came and our folks had the meat cooking when I got back so that our breakfast was on time. both teams hauled brick to Day. 5 bricklayers on the building but the front goes up slow. Rachel Haifley burried to Day. looks some like rain at sunsett. Sold Jacob McConner a beef for 41 Dollars cash.

Oct 17 Cloudy & Drizzling rain at 5 O'clock AM but cleared off and we had a fine Day. all hands worked on the Building. got along slow on the front as the work is Difficult. Johny hauled Sand.

Oct 18 Cloudy and Dull. worked at the building until noon when it became too wet. rained all the afternoon slow but the roads got very slippery. raining as I write at ten PM.

Oct 19 Cloudy & wet. rained all night. Dressed out 2 red cedar canes for Joseph Ball. went to hear Parker Pillsbury. from there went out To Hal Arners & spent the afternoon. in evening attended a lecture on geology by J W Pike. rained all the evening and is still at it as I retire. Rachel Hise is with us.

Oct 20 Cloudy & wet. raining still at 5 O'clock. made patterns for our locks for cornish. made one more cedar cane. Margaret & Rachel went visiting to Pack Seeds. rained until 4 O'clock when it commenced snowing and is still at it as I write.

Oct 21 Cloudy & snowing with 3 inches or so of wet snow already Down. our trees are sadly broken. apple and Peach trees split and prostrate. many of them ruined. still snowing fast at 7 O'clock AM. visited and took Diner with Jacob Heaton Joseph Ball Eli Fawcett & wife Rachel Hise Margaret & myself constituted the company. came home early. snowed and stormed terribly most of the afternoon. went to Depot to meet Aaron Hises wife but she came not.

Oct 22 Clear & warmer. by noon the snow is nearly gone. masons went to work again. I am unwell. bought a pair of gum boots to keep my feet Dry. Aaron Hises wife failed to make her appearance again to Day. do not know what to make of it. Rachel wants to start home tomorrow afternoon. Joseph Ball will accompany them havinggot a Telegraph from home saying Jane (his daughter) is sick.

Oct 23 Cloudy but no rain. worked at the Building what we could but rained in afternoon. Mary Hise came on the 4 O'clock train but too late to go on home. consequently Aunt Rachel did not start but Joseph Ball did as could not well wait longer.

wet at Dark.

Oct 24 Clear this morning and some cooler. all hands working at the Building. getting along first best. Rachel & Mary started for home at 4 1/2 O'clock PM. all well. Parker Pillsbury took supper and spent the evening with us. how pleased we are to have him with us.

Oct 25 Clear and pleasant at 7 O'clock. got along fine at the Building to Day. Wm Bowman helped Pack & I put up the upper tier of joise (or rafters). a few more Days will finish our walls then hurrah for the roof.

Oct 26 Clear & fine. made our apple butter. got a good job of it. Suliots called on us and we were so engaged that we could not entertain them. they went on to McMillens. rained in a few minutes after we got our apple butter Done. at bed time is still raining.

Oct 27 Cloudy & very wet having rained all night. I slept but poorly as our walls went uncovered and I feared they would be injured but found them all right when I went up this morning. Pack & I cut out our look outs for cornish. in afternoon both teams went Down to McCrackens for Sand. Wiley screened it. some cooler but I trust it will not freeze up yet. we all of us (six) went Down to Chessmans and moved their Piano. Mary Ann played us a few tunes that were said to be good but I Do not hanker after Piano music and will therefore pass no opinion on it.

Oct 28 Cloudy and snowing at Day break. rough and stormy all Day. shod 3 of our Horses. Frank picked most of our winter apples and it is fortunate he did so as I think it will freeze to night. Johny hauled Wiley Ward a load of coal. Margaret & Sis went shopping this afternoon.

Oct 29 Cloudy & cold. ground frozen some. Frank & I Dug our Potatoes & got them all in the cellar. worked very hard to get it Done. Johny & Will hauled 2100 Brick to John Bailey. weather moderated a little. laid Down as soon as I finished supper.

Oct 30 Cloudy and cool but the Bricklayers are at work. I shod Jont all around. he stood very quiet. was glad of it as I Did not feel like tusling with him. 6 Brick layers a part of the Day. soon be Done.

Oct 31 Cloudy & cool. Pack & I put on the lookouts for cornish and a Devil of a cold job we had of it. snowed and blowed tremendously a part of the time but we weathered it through. Settled with Jo Mills. owed and paid him 17 Dollars 16 cents (except 6 Dollars I am to pay him in coal. Eli Garetson was some Disappointed because he did not get some money from me but I could not refuse Joe when he demanded it I knew had nothing to go away with and had to have it. I suppose I incited Garetson Displeasure by paying Joe but it cant be helped now.

Nov 1 Clear & cold. too cold to lay brick but we hauled some to our selves & some to

John Bailey. in afternoon pack & I adjusted the outlooks for cornish and laid some floor. thawed a little in afternoon and was quite pleasant in the Sun but a cold southwest wind prevailed all Day.

Nov 2 Clear & pleasant. would be a fine Day to finish the Bricklaying but Christianity says no and I must submit but she is loosing ground in that respect. I shod one of our horses and attended the lecture by Parker Pillsbury and an excellent one it was. he came home with us took Diner & spent the afternoon very profitably too us. he is among the best and most Talented men in America and is as little appreciated. his extreme modesty prevents him pushing himself forward as he would otherwise make his mark in unmistakable character but as it is he is Doing a work that will tell in time as so many great truths as escaped his lips cannot fall unnoticed. must take root & in due time bring forth abundance fruits.

Nov 3 Clear & cool. all hands at the Building to Day. getting along fine. I helped haul brick sand etc etc. a few more good Days and we will get it enclosed. Porter the child murderer who escaped from jail a month since is again arrested and safe in jail.

Nov 4 Clear & cold very frosty. sand froze up solid. Frank took a load of Brick to Winona & brot a load of Sand back with him. I & Johny hauled brick. got all the outside walls up and flues topped out. but little more brickwork to Do. warm and pleasant in the Sun. John Baily paid me 30 Dollars on account for brick.

Nov 5 Cloudy & cool but soon cleared off and is very pleasant. got the Brick work all Done and am glad of it. took 310300 Bricks to build it.

Nov 6 Clear & cool but Delightful to work. sheeted one of our rooms. hauled brick & Board etc etc. got 1100 Dollars of John Satterthwait for which I pay him 8 per cent. sold some brick.

Nov 7 Clear & pleasant with wind in Southeast. Frank & Johny took each a load of Brick to Winona. brot sand back with them. I helped Pack all Day. got our Roof boards nearly all Done. clouded up and threatens rain but none fell at sunsett. Burford is roofing my west room. Deposited $950.00 in Farmers National Bank. Paid John Jones 15 Dollars.

Nov 8 Cloudy & colder. Pack & I worked at the Roof. got it all ready for the Tin. turned some colder and threatened snow but none of account fell. paid Wiley 3 Dollars all I owed him. cleaned up the Street all snug. got from the P.O. 2 numbers of the Truth Seekers a liberal paper published at Paris Ill. will subscribe for it.

Nov 9 Cloudy & cold. Drove Doll out to John Gordons. spent most of the Day with him. he & I settled. I Paid him 200 Dollars I had owed him ten & a half years. he was very generous in counting interest. he & I went to Travis s to hunt Sand. found lots of it but hard to get. got home about Dusk.

Nov 10 Cloudy & moderate. worked a little cleaning up about the Building but as Pack did not come could not Do much. moderate but too cool to be pleasant.

Nov 11 Cloudy & moderate. Stephen Adams carting out Sand out at St Clair Travis. I rode Doll out and back. got chilled completely through. got home by noon. Done but little. helped haul a thousand brick & screened some Sand. came home in the rain and is hugely Dark. will be wet all night from appearances. considerable of our corn out yet.

Nov 12 Cloudy and a little snow at Daylight. All kinds of weather in the night Thunder & lightning rain hail& snow. I went to sash Factory & cut out Bridging for the upper floor and a quantity of 2 in lath out of the scraps of flooring. in afternoon I repaired the coffee mill. attached a Drawer to it. snowed and stormed most of the afternoon. Frank hauled flooring boards up to the Building but the roof is not yet on and of course we can Do nothing at laying floor. Dismal out of Doors.

Nov 13 Clear & cold. can do no work at the Building to Day. worked some at my new wagon bed. Frank hauled 2 loads of flooring to Town & brot home a load of coal. thawed none to Day.

Nov 14 Clear & cold. thawed some in the Sun but none in the Shade. stopped up cellar as well as I could with boards. too cold for roofing. John Baily paid me 25 Dollars all he owes me now. Paid Mel Nusbaum off at 350 per Day.

Nov 15 Clear & cold but moderated and in afternoon is quite pleasant. Johny & I worked all the afternoon at the wagon bed. Frank hauled bricks boards corn etc etc. Do a little of everything and get nothing finished. wrote a line to Moorehead & Co of Pittsburgh. want to buy galvanized iron of them. Belle is in Leetonia.

Nov 16 Clear & very pleasant. got up early & went up to new building & swept all the loose rubbish off the sheeting so the roof can be put on on the morrow. finished my new wagon bed. went Down to get Benj Hilman to help lay floor. from there he & I went over to Tom Sharps where they were cutting corn fodder. from there I went over to see Levi Straghley to get him to help us also but he had gone to Sharps & we missed other on the way. after cracking a few nuts I returned to Sharp where I found Straghley but Doubtful if he can come he is so engaged at other things. came home found Margaret & Nora had gone over to see Mother Goulbourn. they returned in good time.

Nov 17 Cloudy & moderate weather. Pack & I bridged joice all Day. did not get quite Done. the boys are husking corn. a good deal of roofing went on to Day. Stephen is getting Sand. Belle came home this morning.

Nov 18 Cloudy with weather much the Same. Benj Hilman helped us lay floor. getting along well. snowed a little about sunsett. corn nearly all husked. Stephen getting Sand.

Nov 19 Cloudy cold & snowing at Daybreak. the Boys got one load of corn in but was

too Stormy. Frank went for a load of coal hauled a few brick & I load of flooring. I assisted at the floor. got one of the upper floors laid. cold all Day. Joel got some of the mortar on his to Day. will have to fire up well to keep it from freezing.

Nov 20 Clear & cold at Daylight. Frank hauled cold. I worked at the Sash Factory ripping out stuff. cold all Day. the Kirkbrides laid some floor but it is so cold they could Do but litle.

Nov 21 Cloudy & partially clear at intervals. thawed a little under favorable circumstances. Done but little to Day. must have the roof on before we Do more. sold a few brick.

Nov 22 Clear & pleasant. hauled in boards brick sash & corn. I assisted what I could at laying floor. attend auction a part of the Day. nothing sold that I came for. Parker Pillsbury took tea with us. how glad we are to have him here. how little his worth is appreciated.

Nov 23 Cloudy & Dull. Stuck up some cherry boards and attend church. feel some unwell. came Directly home. Margaret visited at Mrs Walkers. I spent the Day at home.

Nov 24 Cloudy warm & wet. rained moderate considerable of the Day. I Painted Sash. carpenters laid some floor. tinners worked on the roof most of the Day. got the roof about all on but not finished. Frank put awway the Potatoes.

Nov 25 Cloudy & snowing at 5 O'clock AM. Painted Sash and helped about the building what I could. Bought Johny a cap. paid D B Burford two hundred Dollars toward the Roof. snowed all Day. Frank hauled coal. roads are getting muddy. froze none through the Day but at Dark seems a little colder.

Nov 26 Cloudy cold and snowing. Frank hauled coal. I helped about the Building. got one floor laid and front shut up. will now buy a large stove and warm it up. bought me a cap and Johny a pair of gloves.

Nov 27 Cloudy and a very little warmer. Snow melted off. went to Town at seven O'clock. Ironed the little Sled commenced about a year since. learned for the first of the Disastrous fire last night (viz) the Brick block known as the "Hole & Lease" block. the fire must have originated in Lockands Dry good store as that was about all burned up when it was Discovered. the building is about ruined. never was worth much. I painted Sash all the afternoon. got all done that is fit in.

Nov 28 Cloudy & colder. Frank hauled in fodder in forenoon. in afternoon manure & a stove bought of Samuel Chessman for which I gave him a check for 30 Dollars. want it to warm our rooms in Town. made a stout crib in the barnyard in which to put the fodder for cows. Mark Lyons was with us all night last night. Sold 2 of our Turkeys.

Nov 29 Clear & cold. hauled brick coal and boards. I sett up the Stove & helped George Fleck with the windows. got 4 of them in. made 40 lb of Putty. Bought a couple of quarts of Oysters. want to have Oyster pie tomorrow. John Gordon (our old Friend) will visit us. Parker Pillsbury took Supper and spent the evening with us to our great Delight.

Nov 30 Cloudy & cold. fit up my cane head. attended meeting and was never better entertained in my life. John Gordon came home with us and we had a pleasant visit. Mrs Walker also. I escorted her home on foot as the roads are rough.

Dec 1 Cloudy and Dull. threatens rain. made a good fire in the west store room for the first time. Pack made cellar steps & work bench. in evening George Fleck glazed windows while I held the light. Drizzled rain good part of the Day. brot Noras new sled some. it is a very good & nice one.

Dec 2 Cloudy & moderate but not warm. plenty of Soft ice this morning. helped at house all Day. thawed a little all Day.

Dec 3 Cloudy & warm. worked at the Building. cut the glass & George Fleck glazed them in. Done 60 lights last evening & a like number this evening. the floors are all Down. roof nearly finished. glass for the Skylights here and we are shutting it up fast. Keeps Frank about all the time hauling boards and one thing and another.

Dec 4 Clear & windy. blew hard all night. roads too muddy to take the team out. I assisted at the Building all Day. shut up the other front. can now put in the windows except the front. the glass for them has not yet come. growed gradually colder all Day an so windy that we could not paint roof and at sundown is cold. ground will freeze hard by morning.

Dec 5 Cloudy & cold. no wind but everything froze sollid. Did not take the team out to Day. sun shone pleasant. Frank painted at the tin roof. John Lee helped him in afternoon. I Done schores of all sorts. painted the Skylights.

Dec 6 Clear & cold. thawed a litle in the Sunshine. Pack & I put up the Scaffold off of which the workman is to put up the cornish. made a secure job of it one that is entirely Safe. Drawed 25 Dollars of E T Vickers. Nora has a little party of young folks. they are having a gay time of it.

Dec 7 Cloudy and feels like it would snow. repaired one of our wagons. it needed it much and needs more of the Same yet when I get the time. thawed a very little but no snow fell. very moderate winter. roads pretty good.

Dec 8 Cloudy & Dull. heavy mist coming Down. Frank hauled boards & Galvanized Iron cornish in forenoon. in afternoon brot a load of coal to Philip Mathews. rained some toward evening. Paid Stephen Adams 2 Dollars on account. helped what I could about the new building. will have to put in most of the winter there.

Dec 9 Cloudy & wet this morning but wind has hauled around to northwest and it will Doubtless soon be cold again. worked at the Building. Doing schores painting a little helping along what I can. Front steps put on.

Dec 10 Cloudy & a very little cooler but ground not frozen. Frank husked corn. I ripped out walnut for counter top and painted tin roof. Galvanized Cornish is being put up to Day. it will look magnificent.

Dec 11 Cloudy Dull & wet. painted skylight sash & put in water pipe or what we could of it. Cornish is all on & part painted. was too wet a part of the Day to work out. bought a fore quarter of beef for 5 cts per lb cheap enough. cut it up this evening & put it in as cool a place as we have. would rather not Salt it but shall have to unless it turns cold soon. roads horrid muddy.

Dec 12 Cloudy & wet. could do nothing with our water pipe for want of material. rained so much in afternoon was forced to fill up the Ditch as it let too much water into the cellar. Frank took 4 horses and hauled 2 loads of Sand but got too wet and he was forced to abandon the job.

Dec 13 Cloudy warm & wet. rained about all night. Tolerton bottom has not been as much submerged with water for years as it is this morning. got both Stove rooms ready to plaster. turning colder fast in afternoon. snowed and stormed considerable. Paid Pack 20 Dollars. brot our new Lamp home as we are Done using it up Town at present.

Dec 14 Cloudy & cold but soon cleared off and is pleasant. George Fleck glazed and I put in the front window in our new Building. Parker Pillsbury Delivered one of his very best Discourses.

Dec 15 Clear & cold. Done some schores at the building. clearing out rubbish getting ready for the plasters. handed my account into the Buckeye came out only about twelve Dollars behind which is better than I expected. I have got so much heavy casting this Sumer. Frank hauled some but roads are too bad to take team out.

Dec 16 Clear & cool but sun shone very pleasant. Shod 2 of our horses. hitched up all 4 of them and hauled Sand. I painted some of the roof. Capt Barkus is setting our brick. gave Joel a check for my share of our glass for Skylights (66 Dollars).

Dec 17 Clear & cool. got Stephen to help me split big hickory on the Fair ground. made a fine lot of wood. Frank hauled a load of coal to Mahlon Kirkbride. Will Hise & I made mortar bed in the cellar. had a hard job of it.

Dec 18 Clear & warm. roads as bad as they well can be. Frank hauled a load of brick & a load of coal. I put in cellar windows and Done various schores about the Building. Ed Hise & George Noosbaum went to Letonia and tore (or threw) Down the furnace Stack

by undermining it. they are going to rebuild it.

Dec 19 Cloudy warm & wet. got up at 1/4 to three. went up to Building & turned the water off the roof out of the cellar whither it was running in torents. Frank & I repaired all our Bridles & halters. bought 3 new chains so that now we have all secure & Safe. rained most of the Day. Joels room is plastered and now they commence ours.

Dec 20 Cloudy and colder with a very little snow. Spent the Day in Town. collected some Small bills. money Scarce. ground is freezing. hope the roads may get Sollid. Paid John Barcus one Dollar for Setting brick.

Dec 21 Cloudy & cold. ground frozen sollid and roads impossibly rough. repaired a revolving ____ and made a box in which I intend to pack a Turkey to send to Catherine Layman of Alleghana City. spent the Ballance of the Day sitting by the fire. Margaret was Down to see Sis.

Dec 22 Clear & cold. took 4 Horses and brot in a good load of our Sand from covered Bridge on Canfield Road. screened most of it. Frank hauled Ed Hise a load of coal in afternoon. running off Mortar & lathing our rooms. Joel Burned Gas in his this Evening for the first.

Dec 23 Clear & cold. I put in one of the Skylights. made a first rate job of it. Frank hauled one load of Sand & 1 of manure. thawed a litle. Will Hise Screened the Sand.

Dec 24 Cloudy & cold. caught weighed & Delivered the Turkeys. we sold 209 lb. am tired at noon. in afternoon screened some Sand and wheeled some of it into the cellar. Bought a few Christmas gifts but have not the money to Spare to buy much. Paid Frank 35 Dollars & Will Hise 5. bought butter beef etc etc.

Dec 25 Cloudy but very pleasant. moderate winter weather. Frank has gone for a load of Sand. is anxious to get it in and I am just as much so. I put in another Skylight. Frank went to Dunganon this afternoon. Sis & Ed took Diner with us. thawed as usual and is freezing up to night keeping the roads good. Sold Stephen a Turkey.

Dec 26 Cloudy & moderate. Will Hise screened and put into the cellar what Sand we have hauled. Ed Hise sett one of the grates. I Bought it of Snider & Glecker for 12 50/100 Doll. snider & Son owed me $5.50 and woodruff & Sons a like sum which came within 1 50/100 Doll of paying it. the Ballance of 1 50/100 Doll I owe them yet. the Plasterers Done nothing to Day. have not got our Christmas yet. Frank returned this afternoon.

Dec 27 Cloudy & snowing a little. continued about all Day. Frank hauled a load of Sand and in afternoon hauled fodder for Phil Mathews. I worked at the room corking up crevises to keep it warm. They finished lathing one room to Day. want to put the mud on Monday next if weather will permit. settled up the Turkey trade at the Buckeye. got

credit on the book for what the come to. Built fire in the new grate and it Done fine. growing a little colder at Dark.

Dec 28 Cloudy & some colder with 2 inches of snow. got up at Seven built fire & caught a couple of chickens for Diner. Pratt Gager (a friend of John Jones) is here to breakfast having come out from Town with him last night. attended the Lecture By Parker Pillsbury subject love. his Discourse pleased me much (or at least the most of it). in evening Arthur D Bradford read a letter he has written to the President of Society formed for the purpose of having God in the Constitution.

Dec 29 Cloudy with wind in Southwest. the plasterers got almost a coat of mud on one of the rooms. I spent the Day there keeping up good fires. Kept the rooms warm without any Difficulty. Frank hauled 2 loads of coal.

Dec 30 Clear & cold. stayed at the Building all night last night. Kept up a good fire and kept it up all Day to Day. got our sleds out but there is not quite snow enough for sledding. Frank brot one load of Sand on it but in afternoon used the wagon. took Supper with Brother Jesse. John Hinchcliffe & wife Wm Lease & wife Mrs Ramsden and some others were there. among them were Margaret & Sis Hise. I go to the Building.

Dec 31 Clear & cold. at the rooms all night. Kept them warm without any trouble. shod 2 of our horses in afternoon. Frank hauled one load of coal.

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Jan 1 Cloudy & moderated. roads are excellent. Frank hauled one load of sand. Stephen Adams & I screened 3 loads and put them in the cellar. in evening I attended a Lecture on Spiritualism by Addie Balow. Parker Pillsbury made some very animated and appropriate remarks that brot Down the house. slept at home to night having got the plastering about Dry. will freeze none to night. warm enough to rain.

Jan 2 Cloudy & foggy with a heavy mist falling but ground still covered with Snow. Frank hauled 3 loads of Sand from Englands. Plasterers at work to Day. I cleaned things up about the room. Done but little.

Jan 3 Cloudy & warm. Frank hauled 2 loads of coal. plasterers at work. splendid weather for them. I Done nothing of account to Day. intended to saw out counter top but the Sash Factory was still. roads horrid muddy.

Jan 4 Cloudy & warm. is as pleasant as a May morning. carried a lot of flooring into the Barn. cannot bear to have it get wet. I think it must rain soon it is so warm. attended Underwoods Lecture. Parker Pillsbury came home with me. we came around by the Beaver Dam. quite a community took Diner and spent the afternoon with us. I attended the evening Lecture by Underwood.

Jan 5 Cloudy & colder. ground froze some. Killed and Dressed a Turkey for John Hinchcliffe of Pittsburgh. Frank hauled a cord of wood to Malisa Hunt. hauled 15 bushel of coal (took 3 horses to Do that the roads are so bad & 800 brick to Geo Meredith. in evening I went to hear Professor Logan on Phrenology. had him tell my character at the solicitation of the Audience. I was well Satisfied with it as was the entire audience. raining from northeast and freezing at 9 O'clock PM.

Jan 6 Cloudy wet & cold. rained all night and froze as it fell. sent a Draft to French Richard___ of Philadelphia calling for 14 12/100 Doll the amount of my indebtedness to them for Column Plaster & Marble Dust. sent P.O. order for 3 Dollars to the Index. Done some schores at the Building but is too muddy to Do anything with the team.

Jan 7 Cloudy & wet. water very high. Bought Nora a pair of shoes cost 2 25/100 Doll. Done some work at the House. wet all Day. Johny Shepherd got back to Day. says the water is very high at New Castle Lawrence Co Penn.

Jan 8 Clear & warm. sun shone pleasant good part of the Day. I spent the Day working at the closet under the Stairway. Plasterers are lathing room No 2 now No 1 not being Dry enough to white coat. Belle has had to go to Jont Evans to help take care of his wife. Ben Caslebury butchered our Hogs. 3 nice ones.

Jan 9 Cloudy but not much colder. Ben cut up our hogs into the lard etc. I worked at the

closet. wrote a letter to the Post Master at New Albany Ind Enclosing one of the Plate Glass works if there is any there (and I have heard there was). snowed a very little but melted as it falls.

Jan 10 Cloudy and growed gradually colder. worked at the building. Paid Burford one hundred Dollars making three hundred I have paid him altogether. have the Second room about ready for plaster. got our butchering all Done & sausage made etc etc.

Jan 11 Cloudy & cold. went up to building and made up good fires. from there went to church (Broad Gauge). came home and got Diner. went up to building and renewed the fires. from there went out to Hal Arners. spent the evening there. Parker Pillsbury (by accident) called in and took a cup of tea with Hal. I stopped at the building on my way home and renewed the fires as it is quite cold.

Jan 12 Cloudy & cold. Frank hauled one load of coal and in afternoon hauled fodder. I sett a grate in building. Done it as well as the best of them. Moses Spaulding loaned me 90 Dollars for three months & perhaps for a year. The plasterers finished lathing room No 2. I checked out 69 19/100 Doll. Paid Lewis French 18 50/100 Doll for lumber.

Jan 13 Cloudy & cold. Stayed all night last night at the building. Kept up fire. Slept all I could to Plastered room No 2. I Done but little except to keep up fires. Paid 30 Dollars of my gas bill owe one hundred yet. Took a sight of gas fixtures and is not Done yet. Frank hauled 2 loads of coal. In evening I attended the Lecture on Free Love by Adie Ballou. She is smart and her lecture was earnest and instructive. Made up the fires in building and concluded to come home at 10 ½ O'clock. Snowing with about 2 inches Down since 7 O'clock PM.

Jan 14 Cloudy & cold. Mercury 10 Degrees above Zero. Plastered none to Day. Frank hauled 2 loads of Sand from Englands Bank. In forenoon I attended fires in building. John Jones & Will Hise relieved me at 9 O'clock & they stay to night.

Jan 15 Cloudy & cold. 4 above zero this morning. Hauled Jacob Schilling 500 Brick (cold job). Ripped out counter top. Meredith made a mistake in my absence and ripped up stair steps of cherry. Will now have to use something else.Old Mother Yengling Died. Bitter cold. I stay at the Building to night. Frank hauled one load of coal to Ed Hise.

Jan 16 Cloudy & cold at Daylight. David Neis & I Discovered Joel McMillens store to be on fire. Got in through the smoke as best we could and found the wall paper that was packed in the shelving to be burning. could be the fire in my Grate heating the wall so hot as to sett it on fire. Was lucky it happened as it Did or we might both have been "cleaned out". He lost considerable paper & some wood work but all things considered it was well Done. Frank hauled 2 loads of coal. Stay to night at the Building.

Jan 17 Clear & cool. Frank hauled one load of coal & in afternoon haulked Fodder. I attended fires & tore out grate and built the place up with brick that it may be safe. Sun

shone pleasant all Day. Is very pleasant winter weather. Got a letter from Star glass works at Albany Indiana in answer to one sent. Am negotiating for glass but Do not know what it will terminate in. in evening Margaret & I attended lecture on Spiritualism by Mrs. Addie Boline. I Did not think much of it. Stay at the Building. Frank accompanies Margaret home.

Jan 18 Clear at sunrise and weather moderate considerable. Came out and get breakfast after which I return to Building. Carry with me the works of Voltaire & Paine read from the latter to the collers in. Parker Pillsbury took Diner & Spent the afternoon with us. Thawed a little to Day and at sunset looks not unlike raining. Nancy Baum (widow of John Baum) was Buried to Day. With her & her husband I lived one year the year of 1825 49 years ago. I remember to have Saw her once before she was married and her hair (that was very beautiful) made an impression on me although but a mere child that I can see it yet Dinstinctly.

Jan 19 Cloudy warmer & raining at Daylight. Rained most of the night. Frank hauled one load of Sand but was too wet. I Done a little work at the Building. Johny Shepperd has a touch of fever. Doc Rush is attending him. Put pickles on my meat. Wrote a letter to Star Glass Co New Albany Ind. a little colder at Dark.

Jan 20 Cloudy and a little colder. Faank & I hauled our poplar boards (about 2500 feet) into the Planing Mill in forenoon. In afternoon he hauled a load of manure. In evening I attended a meeting of Citizens called to Remonstrate against the putting of any Religeous Dogma into the Constitution of Ohio. The meeting was addressed by Rev. Mr. Boyle (Methodist) and I must say I never was more agreeably disappointed in my life. He knows the Rights of Man and is too magnanimous to wish them invaded.

Jan 21 Cloudy & wet. Johny seems better this morning but still takes his medicine and is confined to his Bed. John Jones hauled a load of sand Frank being unwell. I spent the Day at the Building Doing but little. In evening gathered up the Index (3 volumes). Going to send them to Wooster and have them bound. Warm at bedtime.

Jan 22 Cloudy & warm as May with plenty of mud. Remained clear & very warm all Day. Wind and sun Dried the mud fast. Frank hauled 3 loads of Sand. I painted roof. Got things into good shape. Geo Meredith is tearing his House Down in consequence of the Culvert falling in. Paid Stephen 2 Dollars (Money Scarce).

Jan 23 Cloudy warm & wet having rained a little last night. Got up at ½ past 5. want an early breakfast. Belle is getting it and I am jotting it Down. Johnys face is very much swollen with Encipalas. Worked all Day at the Sash Factory cutting out stuff of various sorts. Turned some colder & snowed a little.

Jan 24 Cloudy & colder this morning. Ground froze some our fires went out last night not being kept up for a Day or so. Roads too bad to haul anything to Day. Frank assisted at the Building. The plasterers are second coating the 2nd room. Grows colder all Day

and at Dark is bitter cold. Stay at the Building to night. Henry King who has settled in Pittsburg called in and chatted a while with me. He likes Pittsburg very much.

Jan 25 Cloudy & cold. Road froze Sollid. Attended meeting & kept up fire in the Building. Stay at night. Have Mart Young for company. He is keeping his rooms warm for the Same reason.

Jan 26 Cloudy & cold. Hauled our Boards from Sash Factory to the Building (2643 feet). Got Stephen to carry them upstairs where I stuck them up in Different places so as not to spring the joice. Samuel Band Died to Day.

Jan 27 Cloudy & weather moderated looks like. Will Hise hauled 3 loads of Sand. Rained and is very Disagreeable. Stay at home to night.

Jan 28 Cloudy warm & wet. Will hauled 2 loads of coal. I helped at the Building but Do not stay all night as it is moderate weather.

Jan 29 Cloudy & cool. Roads rough this morning. I turned a Neul Post for stairs and Done some other schores about Building. Got 2nd Coat of mortar on Room No 2. Benj Hilman is helping again. Want to attend the Celebration of Thomas Paines Birth Day this evening. Underwood Delivered the Oration to a good audience. Slept at home to night.

Jan 30 Cloudy & cold. Finished plastering the closet this morning. I assisted the Carpenters what I could. Getting along well. Frank hauled Sand & boards. Bought 20 bushels of Oats & corn. For the former Paid 50 & the latter 75 cents per bushel. Had it took to the Buckeye Mill.

Jan 31 Cloudy & colder. Only one Carpenter at work to Day (Benj Hilman). I Done but little except to make fire. Mrs Walker visited us to Day. Parker Pillsbury called in & craked Hickory nuts with us. Mrs. Frazier buried to Day (Daughter of Robt. Dunn).

Feb 1 Clear & cold. Slept at the Building last night Mort Young with me. Cold night. Attended the lecture of B F Underwood. Kept up fire. Shall stay at the Building to night.

Feb 2 Cloudy & cool. Pleasant except a heavy mist falling and freezes as it falls. Frank hauled one load of Sand & 1 of coal. I assisted at the building. Getting along fine.

Feb 3 Cloudy and weather moderate with a little Snow. Frank hauled 2 loads of coal. I moved the Stove into the front and sett one up in the back end of the room. Shall stay at the building to night. Bought 71 lb of nice Beef at 8 cts per lb.

Feb 4 Cloudy & fine winter weather. Tore out one of the Side windows of our Store room. Find it a nuisance. Frank hauled sand & fodder. Snowed a little but no sledding stay at the building to night.

Feb 5 Clear & pleasant. Worked at the Building got the windows built up. Joel got his Front in. it is charming. Stay at home to night.

Feb 6 Cloudy & snowing. Got breakfast before Daylight. Ripped out shelving all Day. Got out enough for one side. Snowed all Day and is good Sledding at Dark. Frank hauled 2 loads of coal.

Feb 7 Cloudy with 6 inches of Snow. Frank hauled coal. I assisted at the Building and made Shafts for Sleigh. Snowed some more to Day. Sledding excellent. Wrote a letter to Austin Stone Co to know if they had stone out to Suit me. Tood Supper at Joels with Parker Pillsbury. Margaret walked up through the Deep Snow but thinks it will not hurt her.

Feb 8 Cloudy & cold. Mended our Sled. Made a pair of new shoes for Jim (Horse) and nails to put them on. Attended meeting and I think Parker never done better. From there Margret Nora & I went out to John Gordons where we met a very pleasant company of our Old friends. Had a pleasant afternoon and returned home about Dark. Sleighing is excellent.

Feb 9 Cloudy & quite cold. Frank & I went out to Jo Saxons and got 500 feet of Poplar Boards. Had a big job to get them. They was under the Hay but by working hard we got out that amount. They were seasoned which is about all that can be Said in their behalf. Eugene Ash buried. Old Mrs Coy Died.

Feb 10 Cloudy & cool. Sledding good. Frank hauled the woodwork for our Fronts Down from Carpenters Shop and hauled the 2 loads of coal. I worked at the Sash Factory most of the afternoon. Geo Entrikens 2nd wife buried to Day. Forgot to Say in the proper place that we were all over to see Grandmother Goulbourn on last evening. She is looking quite well. Heard of the Death of Hannah Gilbert (wife of Benj Gilbert) of Lancaster Co Penn. They had been married over 53 years. Cleared off in afternoon and thawed a little.

Feb 11 Cloudy & cool. Hauled boards and 2 saw logs the last we have anywhere. I worked at the Building all Day. Thawed a little. Roads are excellent. Widow Koy buried to Day. She was Old Henry Coys 4th wife (I think).

Feb 12 Cloudy & warmer. Frank hauled coal. I helped at the Building. are getting along fine. Thawed considerable to Day. The Plasterers finished Room No 2 to Day. It is very pretty.

Feb 13 Cloudy & warm. Rained a little through the Day. Frank hauled one load of coal. Johny & I carpentered. Adjusted the joice over head & put up partition. Roads muddy as can be.

Feb 14 Clear & colder with ground covered with snow again. Johny & I Carpentered

again to Day. roads too bad to haul. Frank & Will Hise Sawed Down the Broken Hickory tree and cut it into Saw logs. Paid gas fitting bill ($159). Parker Pillsbury took Supper with us probably for the Last time as he is going to leave for the west. sun shone pleasant all Day. Thomas Cowgill is with us to night.

Feb 15 Clear & pleasant. attended meeting. heard Parker Pillsbury Deliver (probably) his last Lecture in Salem and such an one ought always to be remembered. when meeting Dismissed some 20 of us repaired to Joel & Sarahs (McMillens) and spent the afternoon. it was a reunion of the Old time Abolitionists. Among them were John Gordon Marius R Robinson Parker Pillsbury John Deming Mr. Purdy James Suliot Mrs. Bown Mrs. Walker myself of course and a host of others that I will not stop to name. Day was very pleasant but roads muddy.

Feb 16 Clear & warm at sunrise. 17 years to Day we moved into our present home and it was then as fine a day as could be wished but we had lots of rough weather then before the planting Season and Doubtless it will be so now. Johny & I finished putting up partition. Pack & I took Down the Scaffolding in front that had been up 3 or 4 months.

Feb 17 Clear & cold. Ground froze hard. Helped about the Building. Put up 2 more stoves & stopped up bulleye windows to keep out the cold. Both rooms up stairs are lathed and ready for plaster. Joels room is now completed. The Carpenters moved from there into mine this evening.

Feb 18 Clear & cold. Geo Martin came on to work this morning. Plastered the 2 carpet rooms to Day. I kept fire in them. Must stay there to night. Want to get them Dry as soon as possible. Thawed a little. Frank hauled one load of coal.

Feb 19 Cloudy & cool but froze a very little last night so that I made but little fire. Job Seeds Jacob Brinkier & myself were chosen to allot to Joseph Joshua & John Hilliard their individual Portions of land that was held by Old Mrs. Coy as Dower she having recently Died. To Joshua we gave 18 acres. To each of the others 22 26/100 of an acre each. Divided up what we conceived the best maner for all parties. In afternoon I assisted at the Building. Rained a very little. Frank hauled coal. I bought a cheese cost 4 48/100 Doll.

Feb 20 Cloudy & Dull all Day. front is coming out fast. Frank hauled coal. I assisted at the Building. Painted one of the Fronts. Roads muddy. Paid John Boreus one Dollar. Read Voltaire until bedtime. Can get no better pastime nor Do I wish it.

Feb 21 Cloudy & wet. Rained most of the Day. I Do not feel right well and shall Do but little. Sat around and looked on while others worked. Considerable water fell to Day. Belle did not get home. Is too wet I suppose.

Feb 22 Clear & still wet. I put in the Day Painting at the Building. Framed all the shelving or nearly so. A few called in to see me but most went by. To Church I suppose and but few of them were they asked the question could tell what for. What humbug and

Delusion. Belle is home again to Day. little Nora is some amiss a slight cold perhaps. It is unhealthy weather at best.

Feb 23 Cloudy & cooler but no freezing yet. Cleared off and is pleasant. worked most of the Day at the Sash Factory cutting out stuff of various kinds. Got our apple trees well trimmed cost 6 Dollars. Was a job. Going to freeze to night.

Feb 24 Clear & cold. Ground froze hard. Frank hauled Boards and other lumber from Sash Factory up to the Building. I Done what I could to get out stuff. Painted a little. Bought corn & Oats for horse feed. Thawed some but frost not all out.

Feb 25 Cloudy & Snowing from the East. unwell today. Done but little except to see to things a little. The plasterers are at work again. snowed about all Day. Margaret got a present of a tea rose from Mary Hise of Iowa. Tina Fuller brot it in although the Snow in Iowa was 2 feet. Deep Monday last.

Feb 26 Cloudy & cold. Snowing like fury at times. Too rough to Do much. Frank hauled some logs. I worked at one thing and another that Did not amount to much but things are moving along about right. Benjamin Hilman finished the Stairs. Pack not helping to Day. will freeze hard to night.

Feb 27 Clear with more snow. Hauled up work from the planning mill & one load of Sand. Thawed fast and is muddy at sunset. Got a piece of House log (black Walnut) of the Buckeye that was hewed in 1807. want it for a Newol Post. It is Doubtless seasoned. Margaret has just returned from a short visit to Mother Goulbourns. She is remarkably well. Will soon be 87 years old.

Feb 28 Clear & very pleasant all Day. thawed considerable where the Suns rays penetrated. I Done but little to Day. nothing that I could Do to advantage. Paid Pack Seeds 10 Dollars and Bell 4.

Mar 1 Clear & cool but will evidently thaw to Day. have a severe head ache but painted the Counter after which I went over to Jonathan Evans. Got him to prepare some grafts off of his Woldendowers. I want to have a tree of them. Have a fine thrifty natural tree he will graft for me when the time of year comes. Took a good nap of sleep. Mrs. Doe Rush Died last evening. She suffered long.

Mar 2 Clear & pleasant all Day. Frank hauled Dirt from the Street in front of the new Building. I done what I could. Got some of the counter top glued on. Smith Townsend one of our apprentices in 1842 (who now lives Marion Co Ohio) is with us to night. I feel much better than I Did on yesterday. Hired Mark.

Mar 3 Clear & warm all Day. helped put on counter Top. Got along fine. Making a splendid Top but costing like blazes. Threatens rain at sundown. Wrote a letter to Chamberlin Martin & Co East Palestine Columbiana Co O.

Mar 4 Cloudy and wet. Chilly out. Snowed a little but not enough to cover the ground. Margaret attended the Funeral of Mrs. Rush. I could not well go. After the Services (Swedenborgeon) were concluded her remains were taken on the Cars to Pittsburgh for internment. I assisted at the "Counter top" which is now the Standard job. Will freeze up to night.

Mar 5 Clear & cold. Ground froze solid this morning. Frank hauled Drawers Doors & Old Barrels. I assisted at the Counter. Got along swimmingly. Pack is too unwell to work to Day. has the Flu.

Mar 6 Cloudy & wet. Very Disagreeable out of doors all Day. finished glueing on the Counter top. Got one section smoothed off considerable. It will look splendid. Got the Bill of my Plate glass to Day 568 33/100 Doll. Shipped on the 3rd. now if it only gets here safe I shall be proud enough.

Mar 7 Cloudy & Dull. Helped at the Counter top all Day. got it Done and a splendid one it is by far the best in Salem. Paid off the hod carriers. Must finish ourselves now. Mark Lyons came on to Day. will commence on Monday for a years work at 17 Dollars per month. Sun shone some but toward night got colder and very windy.

Mar 8 Cloudy windy & cold. Snows and storms out like March as it is. Settled with Frank Weis. Owed and paid him 63 50/100 Doll. He is "going west". spent the Day at home. Stormed all Day.

Mar 9 Cloudy & cold. Hauled our Plate Glass up from the Depot. Opened one Box & Found the glass all right. Done a little Painting and some other schores. Paid Venable 31 25/100 for boards bought a few Days since. Cold all Day. Belle is up Town this evening.

Mar 10 Cloudy & cold but cleared off toward noon but wind is very cold all Day. painted a little and assisted the Carpenters what I could. Mark is absent at his Brothers Sale to Day.

Mar 11 Cloudy & cold. Ground froze solid. Mark is on hand again this morning. hauled lumber to and from the Sash Factory. in afternoon we put in one front of glass. it looks and is elegant. Charles Summers Died.

Mar 12 Cloudy & most intolerable cold for time of year. put it in the other front. all is now complete. tore out the Old fronts and the entire front now looks first rate. every one is congratulating me on having so handsome a building. Mark & Will cut a few gum logs and hauled them out of the Fair ground.

Mar 13 Cloudy with one inch of Snow and cold. 12 Degrees above Zero. cold all Day. Johny & I painted all Day. Mark hauled our 6 gum logs to mill. Aaron Antrim Died this morning at 4 O'clock.

Mar 14 Cloudy & cold. Mark hauled one load of coal. Painted at the Building. Geo Martin finished the Counters so that we will soon be Done. Morelon had the misfortune to get my large transum light broken by getting too hot. we will be put back some in consequence. cold all Day. Johny got his face cut by letting a glass Door fall on his hand. Eliza Coffee Died at Doc Rushes.

Mar 15 Cloudy and some warmer. called to see Geo Trimble. he is some afflicted but is in good Spirit. from there went to see Marius & Emly Robinson. they are neither of them well. from there I went to see John Clemen. he is quite poorly too. attended the Funeral of Aaron Antrim. Brother Jesse came home with me. I Read Voltaire.

Mar 16 Cloudy and warmer. Drizzled rain a good part of the Day. helped Pack Seeds at the building. he is the only Carpenter at work now & he will finish in a Day or two more. bought 20 bushels of Corn & Oats 80 & 50 cts per bushel. thawed a little all Day. came home before Dark.

Mar 17 Cloudy & warm. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal. the roads are too bad to haul more. I Done what I could at the building which was not much. Don Crumrine mopped up the Room. he has ____ ready to move in which he expects to Do on the morrow.

Mar 18 Cloudy & warm. Mark & I Boated 2 paving stone up to the Building. John Marshall commenced to Joint them up when it commenced raining and Kept at it all Day so that we got next to nothing Done but Crumrine got most of his Furnature over between showers. he has a splendid room in which to Display it. waters very high.

Mar 19 Cloudy & warm. Mark & I commenced putting Down the pavement. got along first rate. would not give a cent to have anyone Do it for me. I was loth to commence it but found it less Difficult that I expected. the Plasterers finished the two carpet rooms to Day which is all we will Do at present. Milt Taylor is putting iron Lintal in John Vernons 3 story Brick. it looks to me as though it would fall Down. it was very poorly built at first. the Carpenter work in room No 1 is Done ready for the Painter. Gas lit in Building first time.

Mar 20 Cloudy & a little cooler. Mark & I hauled up 5 paving Stone all that is Dressed. got 4 of them Down and the large one split out and part Dressed. it will be the best pavement in Salem when Done. cleared off and is pleasant in afternoon. sun sett clear.

Mar 21 Cloudy and colder. froze a very little last night. worked at the pavement. got all the Stone laid that we have. want 5 feet yet. will try and get them soon. got the best Pavement in Salem by a long ways. hauled over the big Stone out of broadway with 3 horses. made big load. checked out 33 -/100 Dollars. most out of money.

Mar 22 Cloudy and windy not very cold. ground white with Snow. after breakfast started and walked over to Metzgers Stone quarry one mile west of Green Village to see if

I could get paving stone. found them there will try and get them there. will try and get them soon. only lack 5 feet in width. returned by way of John Gordons. of course stopped and chatted took Diner etc etc. came home by way of the Cemetery. spent some time in looking at the Monuments some of which are quite expensive. Tine Fuller is with us to Day. wind high this afternoon. mud dried up fast.

Mar 23 Cloudy & quite cold. Mark cleaned up the Street in front of Trinity Block (the name of our new building on Main Street. I Done but little. am awaiting the coming of the Painters. they are coming tomorrow. thawed none. very cold all Day.

Mar 24 Clear & cold. Painters on hand to Day. I assisted what I could. Mark hauled coal. cold as Greenland all Day. roads rough. Charles Davis made an assignment to Day (he owes me nothing). Joel McMillens hams were all Stolen last night.

Mar 25 Cloudy & warmer. Mark hauled one load of coal & some brick. commenced loading a Car for East Palestine. Samul Street had all his hams & Shoulders 31 in all Stolen last night. Tom Foster a Pair of boots Do. thieves are abundant.

Mar 26 Cloudy with moderate weather. Mark & Johny hauled brick to the Car when it Did not rain. they were hindered considerable although little water fell. I assisted Pack shore up joice & put up Stud Partitions. Paid Pack ten Dollars. Painters are getting along fine. blows and threatens Storm at 7 O'clock PM.

Mar 27 Cloudy and moderate weather. Mark & Johny finished loading the Car. hauled Plank and Trash for oven wood. I assisted Pack. we got the joice all adjusted and one stud partition up. Moreton is gaining Stove room. Transon light came through all Safe. roads are about Dry now but our ground is yet too wet to plough. Belle is up Town to night.

Mar 28 Clear but cool wind all Day. Mark hauled trash from the building. Johny Painted some. I Done but little. Pack Did not work to Day. Fred Noosebaums wife Died Suddenly last night was not ailing but a few hours. John Templin an old acquaintence Dropped off his chair this morning and Died instantly with Heart Disease. I have known him for 50 years and never heard of his Doing aught but what was strictly right in all that time.

Mar 29 Clear & pleasant. after breakfast took my axe and went to the woods and got 8 crooked standards for my wagon. want to rig it up for hauling wood. Tine Fuller is with us now. Mark rode Dolly up to his Brothers. wants to get his old boots to plow in. Margaret has gone Down to see Sis & Ed and I am scribbling to wile away the hour. Sun in shining pleasant as I write. wrote a letter to John Hise. He lives in Hartford Warren Co Iowa. Calvin Brainard Died last night at 10 O'clock of Cancer in the groin. John Rakestraw is low. he is old and cannot recover.

Mar 30 Cloudy with moderate weather. Mark hauled manure & sand. I worked at the

Building. got a letter from D A Correll of Palestine Saying the Brick I sent him would not answer his purpose and wants me to tell him what to Do with them. I think he expects now that hey are there that he can buy them at his own figures but if he Does not slip up on that calculation then I miss my guess. I shall go Down there in the morning and sell them to other parties. Abram Balls Store room (occupied by Jacob Schilling) was Discovered to be on fire about 6 O'clock PM in the upper story. of course with the Steamer they turned on "Noahs Flood". Damaged the house ten times as much with water as fire but such thing seem unavoidable under present regulations. our fire Depart has got to be overhauled in that particular. wants an efficient superintendent whose place it will be to see that there is no more water thrown than I needed. by such an arrangement much property may be saved. Fred Nusbaums wife buried to Day at 2 O'clock.

Mar 31 Cloudy and looks like rain at 4 O'clock when I get up. got early breakfast and started for the Cars. got aboard for Palestine. was Delayed but got there by 11 O'clock. Sold my Brick in 20 minutes after getting there. did not see Correll at all nor Do I care to. he may now get his brick just where he pleases. returned on the 2 O'clock Local Freight. turned much colder and snowed. Mark & Johny Plowed some notwithstanding. the gound is in good order. cold as Greenland at Dark.

Apr 1 Cloudy and cold. ground froze hard. Mark hauled sand in forenoon. in afternoon he & Johny plowed. I helped grouse at the store. got along fine. A Miss Whinney& the wife of Geo Carson was buried to Day.

Apr 2 Clear & cold. both teams plowed all Day. I helped the painters at the Building. it is now believed that Abram Balls building was set on fire and circumstances now seem to poin to Eli Garretson as the incendiary. of course I cannot say but that some one fired it. I verily believe it was certainly fired in 3 Different places at two of which the Kindling wood was not all consumed which led to the suspicion as it corresponded with kindling of the same sort in his room and which he was said to be Detected in concealing. Sarah McMillan took tea & spent the Evening with us. cold Southwest wind at sunset.

Apr 3 Cloudy & cold with ground covered with Snow. bought 22 bushels of Oats cost 55 cents per bushel one bushel each of clover & Timothy seed cost 11 Dollars & ten cents. Mark & Johny plowed this afternoon. Gave Jesse Duck my note secured by Mortgage on 18 ½ feet of Lot No one Samuel Davis Edition for two Thousand Dollars. one thousand to lift a note he holds against me now and the other thousand to invest in the Building. left them all with him to night as he was busy. will fix allup tomorrow. I helped the Painter. paid Pack Seed 5 Dollars.

Apr 4 Cloudy & cold with 2 inches of Snow. Mark and Johny could Do nothing to Day except cut feed of which they now have a good supply. cold all Day. I assisted the painters. got the grousing all Done. Paid Benj Hilman 25 Dollars and Pack Seeds 20.

Apr 5 Cloudy & cold as Greenland. thaws none through the Day. went up and warmed up the Building but the painter not coming by noon I came in Disgust for he had promised

to come on. I would have been Damned clear of going up through the cold. something I suppose has turned up to prevent his coming. spent the afternoon at home.

Apr 6 Cloudy & cold. ground still covered with snow Mark hauled a load of coal in forenoon. in afternoon he & Johny Plowed. I assisted at the Building Painting & Doing whatever I could to help along. got a letter from Lizzie Goucher of Ravenna. she is in trouble. if I can assist her I want to Do it. wrote her a reply. Directed it to Mrs. Col Cotton.

Apr 7 Cloudy & hazy but warmer. Mark & I got up early and sowed our grass seed by seven O'clock. Mark & Johny finished plowing for Oats. in afternoon Johny & Will hauled Brick & mark hauled stone off of corn field. I Paid the Draft sent from Philadelphia for our Plate Glass amounting in all to 883 82/100 Doll. 295 24/100 Dolls was for Mort Young. went to Geo Carsons Sale and bought a sett of Double Harness for which I paid 17 Dollars. helped repair the Counter in afternoon. weather pleasant.

Apr 8 Cloudy and warm. Mark sowed our Oats & the Boys got it all harrowed in before the rain but it rained very little. I assisted at the Store room. got the Counter completed. it is grand. got a letter from Tacy Gilbert announcing the Death of her Faather Benj Gilbert. he survived his wife but 60 Days.

Apr 9 Cloudy & Dull. Mark & I built coal house in the cellar in forenoon. in afternoon I varnished. clouded up and snowed as hard as I ever saw. it is 2 inches Deep at 8 O'clock PM as I write. Margaret is a little amiss to night having taken some cold perhaps. the wind is howling and the snow flying in every Direction as it might be looked for in January.

Apr 10 Cloudy cold and stormy. still snowing from the northwest at sunrise. worked at the building. bought the Draw pulls & Buttons with their fixtures. put some of them on. they are very complete. snow melted but very little is still 6 inches Deep. Wet in the Bottom. John Rakestraw another acquaintence of 50 years Standing Died this morning at one O'clock. thus are by one are my Old Friends Dropping off. Soon I too will be called on to leave. may I be equal to the task.

Apr 11 Clear & cold. ground froze hard where it is bare. got the cellar planked so that it can be used to some advantage. got the store room about completed and a long task it has been. one year & 4 Days since we commenced to tear away the old buildings and it is far from being Done yet. remained cold all Day. snowed hard good part of the afternoon. M L Yound settled and Paid me off. gave me a check to Greiners Bank for 290 Dollars and five Dollars an ninety four cents in money. I had Paid for his glass in his absence now all is squared up settled with and paid off. Stephen Adams only owed him one Dollar and forty five cents. came home to night pretty tired. brot the Index and Investigator. looked them over but soon got weary & take to the Lounge.

Apr 12 Clear & cold at Daybreak when I get up. go to Town Kindled a fire warm up

Store room and varnish the stairs again that they may be Dry for tomorrow. have not saw the Knobs harder and sharper in the road this winter than they are this morning. were the Oats that are Sowed not well covered with snow they would certainly suffer from frost. back to breakfast so it Did not take me but a few minutes to Do the varnishing. wrote a letter to Tacy Gilbert of Lancaster Co Pa. spent the Day at home. John Rakestraw buried to Day.

Apr 13 Clear and warmer. Mark sowed grass seed on our Oats. sweep out the Store room. made pattern for window weights. Bought boards etc etc. Margaret Sis & Belle was up to see the room. Bought ¼ of veal.

Apr 14 Cloudy warm windy and threatens rain. bought 21 bushels of oats and a corresponding quantity of corn. got Tom Sharp to chop it for horsefeed. Pack & I hung the inside windows with weights that work complete. Put up the gas burners. they are very nice but expensive.. Joe MillsDug out foundation for Backhouse. want to get that up as quick as Possible. cleared off and is pleasant all Day. Amos Fawcett buried to Day.

Apr 15 Cloudy & warm. got up early & made fastening for Back Doors of Store before breakfast. helped Pack put up shelving in forenoon. in afternoon I repaired my wagon. Johny is hauling Brickyard boards into the brickyard in Town. Mark is plowing corn ground. it is in fine order and he turns it up very nice indeed. Belle has gone to Mark Dunlaps to a Party to night.

Apr 16 Cloudy & Dull all Day. Bought 2 inch round iron and Brother Jesse helped me make it into 5 hitching Posts. put 2 of them out in front of "Trinity Block". make superb posts. Mark & John is Plowing corn ground. no rain. a little cooler toward evening. Vickers are moving their goods in and will fill the room up certain.

Apr 17 Cloudy and Drizzles rain a little. Put in the Balance of the hitchen Posts by noon. Margaret is over at Mother Goulbourns at noon as I write this. cool and raw out. Johny & I Blacksmithed this afternoon. made hinges for iron Door in "Trinity Block". Margaret got back before Dark. in evening had Oyster Supper at McMillens Book Store given by Joel to the Town Council that vacated the alley on which he built 6 ½ feet of the East side of his Store room. Milton Davis Robt Thompson M L Edwards Henry Reitzell & Thomas Bonsall were present. Joseph Fawcett ex Mayor & Peter Bogwell forgot to attend. we waited long & waited Patiently but they came not. we Dispersed about 10 O'clock feeling the better for the evenings entertainment. it was gotten up in Joels best style.

Apr 18 Cloudy & Dull. Mark cleared the Orchard of brush & sett stakes. Johny & I Blacksmithed. made a grate to shut up coal hold in cellar. Drew fifty Dollars out of Bank. paid Samule Grove 10 Dollars for Joseph Smith (Painter) & 5 to John Moore for coal. Sold 300 hard brick 70 cents per hundred. Town full of folks to Day. Trinity Block had its full share. Nora & Belle visited Grandmother Goulbourn this afternoon. they drove "Old Mike" Nora says for the last time as he is "too slow a coach" for her. gave Johny Shepherd an Order to go to Isaac Boones and get our new Saddle Bridle &

Martingales as he is anxious to take a ride tomorrow. wind cold all Day but sun shone pleasantly in afternoon.

Apr 19 Cloudy but pleasant. sun shone warm at times through the day. Margaret & I took a walk out the lane across the Oats field to Sharps Sawmill. from there to see Sis & Ed. I brot some raspberries plants home. spent all the Balance of the Day at home. looks like rain at sundown.

Apr 20 Cloudy with considerable rain last night. Mark & Johny enlarging the Garden. I worked up Town. put in the money tills & moulding around the front windows. Geo Martin helped me for which I gave him 75 cts. rained several showers through the Day & is warm. Mrs. Smith (John Marshalls Daughter) was buried to Day and another one is very poorly. considerable wind since sunset.

Apr 21 Cloudy & cooler. Mark Plowed potatoe patch for Ed Hise. I repaired harness. cold all Day but Did not freeze any. spent no time in Town to Day. Bought beef this morning for the first this spring.

Apr 22 Cloudy & cool. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal. Johny went out to John Gordons and got us one bushel of Early Rose Potatoes. I put moulding on Counters & bought 119 ½ lb of good Bacon cost 16 25/100 at Cligbys. Oliver A Thomas buried to Day. Straghley is hauling stone for me.

Apr 23 Cloudy & coolish. ground rather wet to plow. Straghley hauled 6 loads of Building stone for the out house up Town. I made and put in some of the irons for awning. Jacob Brinker paid me 4 Dollars and a half for John Badger on his rent. I was Disappointed as I never expected to get any rent from him. was going to serve a notice on him to leave the premises. have them written ready. no rain of account to Day. making fence and getting things ready to account to Day. making fence and getting things ready to Plant.

Apr 24 Clear & cool at sunrise. ground froze a very little. all hands worked at the garden fence. Paid Sister Una $2.64 that I owed her husband and which he was too contrary to accept because he thought I owed him more but I know I Did not. I am glad she has it. I know I have Done them justice and am entirely Satisfied and believe she is. I gave her a couple of very nice plum trees to sett out. Sis Hise & Una both took Diner with us. ground Dried fast to Day. Belle & Johny Shephard are both up Town to night. Mark & I played a few games of Eucre but soon got tired of it & quit.

Apr 25 Cloudy & wet. rained and snowed all Day. the waters are up again. Paid Aaron Wilson 25 24/100 Doll owed him for Sugar. Paid glass bill from Philadelphia 12 81/100 Doll. Bought awning frame of Isaac Trescott weighed 370 pound. bought it for 3 cents per pound. helped Brother Jesse alter it so that it will answer me as well as a new. Mark has gone up to his brothers this afternoon as it is so wet he can do nothing here. am afraid our Oats that is sowed will rot. ground covered with snow at 6 O'clock PM.

Apr 26 Cloudy & cool. ground and trees covered with snow. looks like winter out of Doors. stayed in the House all Day. snow melted off but sun shone none. ground is again too wet to do anything with. Mark is up to Pats to day. Wm Shinn Burried to Day.

Apr 27 Clear & cold. ground froze hard. Ice or rain barrel very nearly ½ thick. helped Jesse with the awning. Mark is hauling coal. Sued Wm Jennings fear I will get nothing. in afternoon Mark hauled Sand. Johny & I moved some Brick so as to get at the hard ones as they are all that will sell now.

Apr 28 Cloudy & cold. snowing fast at Daylight with 2 inches already Down. took Nora to School with Horse & Carriage. too stormy to go in any other way. after breakfast Levi Straghley called in and spent 3 hours with us. we are all confined to the house. is still snowing and blowing from the East at 10 O'clock as I write. Straghley has just turned out in the Storm to go home, says he can stand it no longer as he did not water his Horses before leaving home. our Stock is all well housed as it should be for we scarcely ever see a worse storm. snow must now be 6 inches Deep where it Does not Melt. I hope it may all come down while it is at it as I am heartily sick of rough weather. sat in the house the entire Day as the storm is unabated.

Apr 29 Clear & cold. froze hard last night continued cold all Day. thawed none except where the Sun had Direct chance. Blacksmithed some. bought 4 bushels of grey lime and made up a bed of mortar for laying stones. bought one Dollars worth of Dried apples (10 ½ lb) of John Hunt. everyone seems tired of cold weather. but little Oats sowed yet and what is sowed cannot grow in consequence of the cold weather. found my Tenant house empty this morning Badger having moved out yesterday notwithstanding the Storm. Mark & I played a few games of Eucher before retiring.

Apr 30 Cloudy & cold. wind still in north. plenty of snow yet this morning with more in the air yet. went up Samuel Hardman Esq. was qualified to on account against Wm Jennings. left with him for collection. snowed hard from northwest but melted as it falls. Harriet Arner is visiting us to Day. Started home at 5 O'clock. warmer & threatens rain. can Do nothing out of Doors.

May 1 Cloudy but much warmer. sun shone considerable. Johnson Marshal & his Father built foundation for out house back of the Store rooms in Town. I made the Mortar for them. Mark & Johny Dug post holes. Parker Pillsbury is at Joels to night. expects to be here tomorrow. cloudy at sunset and looks some like raining. Belle has gone to the Division (a Temperance organization). Johny has gone up Town to accompany her home. got Will Hise a pair of Boots cost 10 Dollars.

May 2 Cloudy & Drizzles rain a little in forenoon but toward noon partially clear. we put up the awning frame at noon. in afternoon & evening Howel Baird & Co Circus performed. had a good crowd especially in evening. I Did not attend. saw the Baloon ascension was a good one. checked out 35 Dollars paid it out to painter Plasters etc.

Parker Pillsbury took Super with us and Stays all night. Charles Grizzell sups also. am always glad to have him. he is congenial. he presented Parker an Old fashioned flint lock brass pistol marked "Sharpes London".

May 3 Clear & pleasant this morning. after eating Breakfast Parker went up to Marius R. Robinsons to pack up some of his effects where I met him about noon & he & I went out. took Diner & Spent the afternoon with John Gordon. came back at 5 O'clock. took leave of Parker at the East end of 4th Street. when I shall see him againis now uncertain. hope to next fall at farthest. found Jonathan Evans with his wife and young Son here when I got home. he Done some grafting for me. Belle & Will Hise accompanied them home. cloudy & threatens rain at bedtime.

May 4 Cloudy & wet. raining when I get up. ground our cutting knife and Mark cut feed. Johny took Ed Hise and John Jones to Washingtonville where they take the Cars for Hartford Trumbell Co. they expect work at bricklaying. I ground in couple of pairs of scissors and put the screening hooks in. rained about all Day. Margaret was Down to see Sis. Frank brot Noras Canary bird up. it is a very pretty one.

May 5 Cloudy & wet with more rain last night. Mark hauled one load of coal & 1 of Brick. I Blacksmithed most of the Day. cleared off in afternoon and is pleasant. ground dried fast. Nora is some unwell to Day. has a cold.

May 6 Cloudy & cool at sunrise but cleared off and is pleasant in the Sunshine. Mark hauled one load of Brick & one of coal. in afternoon he plowed the Potatoe patch. got his foot hurt between the Doubletree & front end of wagon. Johny nailed on palings. I blacksmithed a little and sharpened palings. cold wind from northwest all Day. ground dried fast. Belle has gone to Town this evening.

May 7 Clear & pleasant. harrowed marked out & planted our early Potatoe patch. plowed the garden. got it nearly paled in. have enlarged it to a little more than Double its former size. went to Town in evening. bought 20 lb of Sugar for 2 Dollars.

May 8 Cloudy & Drizzled rain about 7 O'clock AM but soon cleared off and was very pleasant all Day. Johny & I made some garden. sett out a large bed of Onions and planted 4 long rows of Peas. have our garden fixed up and complete. Mark plowed for and planted Ed Hises potatoes in forenoon. in afternoon hauled our tempering tub and soak pitts up to the Brickyard in Town and sowed a little Oats for Sis Hise. Paid John Satterthwait 44 Dollars interest money. am going early to bed as I get tired being on my feet all Day. Stephen Adams Dug out the old tempering pits & took Diner with us. I sold him one bushel of Potatoes worth one Dollar.

May 9 Clear warm and windy. every indication of dry weather. Mark is hauling Dung on potatoe patch. Johny & I make some garden. Planted beans Beets and Cucumbers. ground is drying fast. spent the afternoon in Town looking up matters and seeing the folks Town is full of them.

May 10 Clear & warm. got up early. mended Margarets Spade and made a neat little fork for loosening up plants and removing them. She & Nora visited at Mother Goulbourns. I sat a home and read Gibbon.

May 11 Clear & warm. got up early. mended my lute. must now get ready to make brick whether we sell any or not. 3 hands came on and we went right to work putting in the Soak pits & Tempering tubs. luted off the yard etc etc.

May 12 Clear and a little cooler. got about ready to make brick. filled both pits. hauled 2 loads of Sand. Johny is painting tin roof. Wm. Hinchcliffe came out to look at my 2 Horses that I have for sale. I think he will buy them as I offer them cheap. looks a little like rain at sundown. Mark finishing planting all our potatoes. Wm Betts made me a present of two California Potatoes said to be a superior article. Mark & I planted them in Seven hills to see what they will yield. he gave me 13 squash seed of a superior kind. I want to plant with care and see what they will be like. Margaret goes to bed very tired and I will now follow her.

May 13 Clear & cool. Stephen Adams (Collored) commenced to mould brick this morning. he is awkward but he will learn in time. I hitched up Bill & Jim we went to saw mill for lumber. was attacked with a spell of complete blindness. was unable to Drive the team home but Wm Hinchcliffe who had bought the team came out to get it. he & his men loaded the lumber & took it to Town for me. I made out to bring the horses & wagon back but was hard sett to get into the house. very sick all the afternoon. took some Salty but to little purpose. head aches very severely. think I must have taken cold in it. Mark is getting our corn field ready to plant. Johny is painting the roof up Town.

May 14 Clear cool and pleasant. fell some better this morning but am unable to work at anything. was up town a little while but was glad to get home where I remained all Day. the hands are making Brick. Mark is preparing our corn ground. Margaret is Down at Sis's helping her right up her bedroom. gave Don Crumrine 20 Dollars for Mrs Watterworth money that I owed her but am too sick to take to her hence I send it.

May 15 Clear & warm. I am quite poorly yet too much so to Do any Kind of work. go to Town & show Paskall Seeds how to frame the out House he is building. feel a little better by noon. Ed Hise John Jones Johny Shepherd Frank Hise and Mark are planting our Corn to Day. ground in Splended order. get it all in by 3 O'clock PM spend the entire Day in Town. fine rain at 6 O'clock very opportune for us. Belle is up Town this evening. Nora got caught by the rain. Johny went after her. found her at Doc Rushes very uneasy lest she should have to Stay all night. made brick to Day.

May 16 Cloudy & Dull out Doors this morning. looks very rainy in northwest. helped Pack what I could but that was but little. am too unwell but we got the Building up and sheeting on. paid Pack 5 Dollars. got my money that was coming from John Sharon for Brick got 2 years since. was forced in order to get it to take a mechanics Lien (with

others) in order to get it. my Original bill was but 9 80/100 Doll. with interest up to Day of payment amounted to 11 52/100 Doll. Lawyers fees 5 Dollars which left me 6 59/100 Doll. I would have cheerfully have given him the Brick were he worthy but he was fooling away his time & money playing at Billiards and I thought I might as well have what I had worked hard for as for the Sallons to get it. turned much cooler and threatens frost if it should clear off.. have a very sore eye to night.

May 17 Clear & cool but no frost. my eye is some better but head sadly out of fix. spent the entire Day at home and a long Dreary Day it is. rained several light showers but is not very cool. Mark rode Doll up to Pats. Belle visited at Jonts but came home in time to milk.

May 18 Cloudy & Dull. too wet to make brick. Pack Did not work to Day. I got things weatherboarding shingles Etc. am not well enough to Do much. Sold Pat Lyon our Bull for 45 Dollars 20 Dollars down the balance in a couple of weeks. Mark is plowing corn ground. in a hurry to get it Done. is almost cold enough for frost at sunset.

May 19 Cloudy at sunrise but it must have been clear in the night as it is frosty this morning. got up in good time. got the hinges ready for gates that Ed is making for low end of our place where we Design turning in cows to pasture and where Thomas Sharp can go through to his Farm. helped Pack a little. repaired our windows in afterpart of the Day. Dennis Lyons came for the Bull. we tied him behind the wagon but he came near tearing it all to pieces before he quieted Down. Don't know whether he got home or not. he paid me the 20 Dollars as agreed. Stephen made his 4000 brick to Day.

May 20 Cloudy cool & wet. rained a little last night & considerable this forenoon. tried working at the brickyard but was too wet. came home in the rain and Sat by the fire until noon. in afternoon blacksmithed some. repaired my wagon & made horsenails. feel about as well as ever again. took no medicine abstained some from eating. gave nature a chance and all appears right again. Ed is hanging the gate to Day. Margaret is Down at Sis's helping her (sewing). Belle is jolly as usual is wrestling with the Pots & singing & whistling alternately and I to wile away as am otherwise unoccupied moment am jotting it Down, Mark finished plowing the Corn ground this afternoon.

May 21 Cloudy & wet this morning. rained some in forenoon. Johny & Mark Carted the Old Shingles from the Brn. I helped pack in Town. in afternoon Mark harrowed the Corn ground as it cleared off the wind blew. the ground soon Dried. Johny & I cased a little at the Kiln. covered our garden truck for fear of frost as it is cool at sunset.

May 22 Clear & cool with some frost this morning. Mark is striking out corn ground. Johny & I casing the Kiln. making brick to Day. went to see Jo Mills to get him to help us plant corn tomorrow. says he will come. hope it may not rain until we are Done.

May 23 Cloudy and Dull. all hands except myselfare planting corn. I went out to Stacy Cooks & bought ½ bushel of ears for which he charged me fifty cents (Double the market

price) but I said nothing. would be ashamed myself to ask a man such a price. got stuff for Brick Molds. got the corn all planted. cleared off and is fine at sunset.

May 24 Clear & warm. framed my brick molds before breakfast. went to hear a Mr. Wilson of Pittsburgh Deliver a lecture entitled the "Impeachment of the Church". it was an able lecture but seemed tame to me at the time as I had just finished reading Robt J Ingersolls Hericies and Heritics which far surpasses anything I have read perhaps ever. walked out to Harriet Arners took Diner. read them Ingersolls Lecture and returned home and found the house empty and locked up but I entered at the Coal house Door. changed my duds and am writing it Down. looks a little like rain. must see to my Brick.

May 25 Cloudy and warm. Shod Charlie before breakfast. Mark took a grist of wheat to mill and brot Stephen Adams a load of coal. I finished my Brick molds and took them up to the yard. Margaret is going Down to take Diner with Sis. I would go but am some leg weary having walked considerable to Day. cased at the Kiln in afternoon. cleared off and is windy in afternoon. Mark hauled 2 loads of Sand to Brickyard.

May 26 Clear & cool. got up early. stuck some of our peas and blacksmithed a little before breakfast. cased at the Kiln most of the Day. getting along right well. Mark hauled sand & Brick. made 4000 Brick.

May 27 Clear & warm. splendid weather for making Brick. got out 4000. bought 54 bushels of Oats at 58 cents per bushel. Mark hauled sand. I worked on the yard. Lizzie Goucher made us flying visit but I Did not see her (sorry). Belle is over at Jonts this evening. very pleasant & moonlight.

May 28 Clear & warm. got up early and stuck some of our peas and mended up our logchains. am going to haul paving Stones. had bad luck with it. log chains broke & let the Stone fall and broke it into 3 pieces. of course spoiled it for pavement but I Sold it to the Street commissioner to make crossing for the streets. overdone myself in trying to load one half of it. was forced to come home and leave wagon Stone & tools in the road. road a part of the way on horse back but was so Sick was forced in order to save myself from falling to climb off and lay ina fence corner while Mark went to John Gordons and got him to come with his buggy and take me Down to Yerkes Howels where I thought I could get help to load the Stone but Uncle Silas had come to Town so after resting a few minutes I walked up to John Gordons by the hardest where I laid and rested while Mark helped a load of wheat that Gordon was to Deliver in Town. I had Mark hitch our horses to it and brot it to Town while Mr. Gordon hitched his team to his buggy and brot me home. Changed his horse from the buggy to the empty wagon & tied his buggy behind and took all home together. it was very kind of him and I appreciate it much. a friend in need is a friend indeed. Mark planted some pumpkin seed. Margaret assisted Sis Hise to clean House to Day. I feel very much better. think I will soon recruit. Johny & Wiley got our brick Kiln ready to fire to Day but I Do not like to fire it until I feel more able to burn it. clear & moonlight but quite sultry and not a breath of air stiring at 9 O'clock as I write.

May 29 Clear & warm. feel well enough this morningto go to Stone quarry. went to Yerkes Howels got Uncle Silas to go with us. we split out all the stone we needed by noon. went to Isaac Holloways got our Diner. got home with a couple of nice stone by 5 O'clock PM. Borrowed 100 Dollars of I Farhope.

May 30 Clear & warm. Mark & I hoped our wheel and unloaded both our wagons and then quit work for the Day as it is decoration and a might host of Men women and children are here. Margaret Belle & I Sat in the Carriage and were Drawn around by Charlie which was pleasant for us. Mr. Boyle (Methodist) Delivered the Oration which a model in its way eloquent. Manly Liberal and short. I was much pleased with it. I love the man for his generous Liberality no pent up Utica contents. his powers (of thought) & he freely accords to others the rights he claims for himself. May his Shadow never grow less. we came home in good time.

May 31 Clear & warm. got up in good time and brot up the cows that Belle might milk before it gets too warm as it will evidently be warm to Day. Sat around the house most of the Day. put in a part of the time Killing Potatoe bugs that are abundant. rained a little. Bought 6 Tomatoe plants of Joel and sett them out. our garden looks fine. alarm of fire at the Depot. a freight Car on fire but it was extinguished before Doing much Damage. cooler since the rain.

Jun 1 Clear & cool. Mark & I hauled our paving stone. had considerable trouble with it on account of Size (5 by 10 feet but we got it to the Store all safe. went back to the quarry and brot a load of thin Flag. Johny & Wiley got the Kiln on fire and I will have to stay there to night. got a pair of new slippers made of Cow hide. cool at sunset.

Jun 2 Clear & cool. some frost in low places. put Down my paving Stone to Day. have it all done now. best one the Town. Mark is hauling wood. Wiley burning the Brick so that all is going on about as I would wish. I stay up with the Kiln at night. Johny Painted some of the roof. looks a little like rain at sunset.

Jun 3 Cloudy & Dull. no dew. will probably rain before night. Johny commenced painting but soon had to quit on account of the rain. Mark is hauling wood. Emor Wilson is also hauling. he would like to haul all of it. I attended to the Kiln. Doing but little myself but showing others what to Do. went over to Philip Evans wood and brought a couple of poking sticks.

Jun 4 Cloudy & Dull. fell rather old this morning. helped Wiley all night at the Kiln. is rather hard on me but see no help for it. Johny helped us through the Day. took the shed off. Kiln is Doing fine. Mark hauled wood to Kiln all Day is very tired. handled about 20 cords. bad pit of clay to Day. could not mold it at all. put 6 cart loads of Sand on it. will try it again to morrow. Foundling left at John Yenglings last night a fine Boy about 2 months old. it was well Dressed with a basket full of new clean clothes beside with a mothers prayer on a card that it might be well cared for.

Jun 5 Clear & pleasant at the Kiln all night. fell well this morning. Mark is hauling wood from Wilsons. I attended Kiln all Day. it is burning first rate. threatens rain at sunset. covered all the Brick and hope it may rain as the ground is Dry.

Jun 6 Cloudy & Damp with a little rain last night and this morning. am a little stupid this morning. hands knocked off but might have made a Days work as it cleared off and was fine but nevertheless it rained a good shower in afterpart of the Day so that they would have got washed anyhow. settled with and paid all hands what I owed them up to Date. Wiley & I attended the Kiln. Johny assisted what he could. most intolerable hot. Mark hauled wood in forenoon. in afternoon hauled brick.

Jun 7 Clear & most delightful this morning. shut our Kiln up about 8 O'clock AM. I came Directly home eat my breakfast when Mark & I spent ½ hour Killing Potatoe bugs. tired of that. Mark went to shearing the Sheep while I took a Bath and now I am putting it upon record. Margaret Nora & I took a ride over to see Grandmother Goulbourn. had a fine rain in afternoon.

Jun 8 Clear & warm. feel too unwell after breakfast to Do much but in afternoon I hauled brick with Jont. Mark & Johny are both in the corn working it. corn looks first rate.

Jun 9 Clear & warm. was aroused last night at about 11 O'clock by the ringing of the firebell. Dressed as soon as possible and started for the fire. found it to be Defenbaughs Barn at the American House. it spread fearfully although not a breath of air was stiring. burned Aaron Walters Daniel Boltons Stacy Hunts & one for Jacob Picket. no lack of water but was Delayed some by the Bursting of Hoses. The Brick Livery Stable occupied by O'Brian was partially burned. I came home with Mark about ½ past 12. slept well until Daylight when I arose and worked in garden until breakfast was ready. spent the forenoon in Town but in afternoon hauled brick to Fertilizer. Mark & Johny worked corn & Potatoes. cloudy & threatens rain in evening. at 9 O'clock is lightning very much but is caused by the heat only. it very warm considerable wind from north. notwithstanding may rain before morning but to me seems Doubtful.

Jun 10 Cloudy with nice shower last night. got up early. brot the Cows for Belle and worked in the garden until bell rang for ½ past 5. hauled Brick to Victor Stove Co in forenoon. in afternoon turned a Ball Bat for Johny.

Jun 11 Cloud with more rain last night but not enough to stop the plow. Mark is working the corn. I hauled brick in forenoon. Johny is Picknicing to Day & schools are here having a happy time in woods Barn & Grove. cloudy but no rain. Jo Mills & I get shed fork and tear of shed in afternoon. must now make a new shed. no brick made to Day.

Jun 12 Cloudy & cooler. Wiley & Joe Mills both helped me to Day. sett out 255 Cabbage plants. tore Down brick shed and took it to Town. got a box of Curiosities of Joshua Gilbert of Chester Co Pa. value them much.

Jun 13 Clear & cool. must have been hail some where in the neighborhood. Wiley Jo Mills & I worked faithfully at the Brick shed all Day. the hands made but 1100 brick to Day. all too Drunk last night could not work to Day. Mark finished working corn & potatoes.

Jun 14 Clear & cool yet. made a new windlass box for well. got a good one now. Sam Stratton called out and engaged some brick. Spent a couple of hours looking over Amos Gilberts Old pass Books. they are interesting but tedious. wrote a letter to Joshua Gilbert of Chester Co Pa.

Jun 15 Clear & pleasant. Opened our new Kiln of brick & hauled out 3000 paving bricks. have plenty of them. making brick to Day. hired Jo Mills to fill pits as Bozell is too Drunken to Depend on. Wiley & I piled out soft & red brick. Mark & Johny hauled paving brick. John Barkus is setting our 2nd Kiln. want to burn it before harvest. cloudy but not much prospect of rain.

Jun 16 Cloudy & Dull. raining a little at 6 O'clock AM. made brick. Drizzled rain several times through the Day but not enough to stop work. Wiley is poorly knocked oof at noon. hauling our our paving brick as fast as possible. rains a little at Dark.

Jun 17 Cloudy with fine rain last night. hauled one load of brick in the rain. came home and shod our horses in forenoon. hauled Brick in afternoon. made brick in afternoon. cleared off and is fine at sunset. Bought a Switzer cheese. our folks think it wont get eaten. I like it much but none of the rest will taste it even.

Jun 18 Clear & pleasant. got up in good time. how my cabbage before breakfast. went with Team to the Kiln in good season. hauled out brick all Day. they sell readily. sold some of my Switzer for fear it would not be current. Sarah McMillen took supper with us.

Jun 19 Clear & fine growing weather as can be. hauling & piling out brick setting and making. selling some at the Kiln. am tired to night.

Jun 20 Clear & warm. get up early and shew one of my Horses before breakfast. write a line to Treasurer enclosing blank check to pay my Tax. got along first rate to Day. collected nearly enough to pay the hands all off 59 Dollars but it lacked of reaching.

Jun 21 Clear & warm. spent the entire Day in idleness. laid in the shade and slept what I could. got Sis Hise to cut my hair & whiskers. Simeon Stratton came out & Paid me 2.50 he owed me for Brick. Nora & Ed went horseback riding.

Jun 22 Clear & hot. have 2 hands in the cellar to Day Ditching it & bringing to make it Dry. hauling out Paving brick.

Jun 23 Clear & hot. hauling stone for cellar Drain & hauling paving brick still. will soon

have them out. good sale. Albert Silver & F C Boone both had their bedrooms entered by burglars last night. Silver lost his watch and 6 Dollars in money. Boone lost some 6 or 8 Dollars only. his clothes were carried out into the Dooryard and their rifled. A Fuller of Iowa took Diner with us to Day. looks a little like rain at sundown but I fear it will not come. it is much needed just now.

Jun 24 Clear & pleasant with every prospect of rain vanished. I got up early & churned brot the cows etc etc before breakfast. hauled brick. rained a few Drops about 9 O'clock but not enough to amount to anything as a rain and at sunset all prospects of rain had vanished.

Jun 25 Clear & hot. no signs of rain. Mark & Johny is working the corn. I & Wiley casing the Kiln. want to get on fire next week. Bazil is cleaning out one of the cellars in "Trinity Block" but in afternoon as it looks rainy I had him wheel in Dry Brick. rained a little at 3 O'clock PM but not half enough. but thankful for what came.

Jun 26 Cloudy & cooler with no more rain. Mark & Johny in the cornfield to Day. Wiley & I sett brick made 4000 also. cloudy all Day but no rain. wind in northwest. Killed lots of Potatoe Bugs at noon. must keep them off if Possible.

Jun 27 Cloudy but soon cleared off. is cool air from northwest all Day. got along well with our work all Day. Mark dressed up the Potatoes. we have two of the nicest patches I ever Saw entirely clear of weeds or grass. Johny hauled brick with Jont.

Jun 28 Clear & very pleasant. got up early went up to "Trinity Block". put in Skylight and painted it. have it now ready for the Plasterer. Margaret & Ed went over to Grandmother Goulbourns who fell and put her knee out of joint. Margaret got back at Dark. I laid around the Dooryard most of then Day. it is so hot the air fairly cooks one (as Nora says). she & Belle have a hard time of it to keep cool. I strolled over to Evans wood where I came across a mountain Ash the first one I ever saw in a forest. I marked the Spot and intend to get it when the time of year comes.

Jun 29 Cloudy & windy but little prospects of rain. got up early and churned. butter is so soft Margaret has to take it out of churn with a ladle. Johny hauled Brick. I assisted at whatever I could. put on Shed. helped move Brick etc etc. forgot our nice garden rake on Saturday evening. left at D Crumrines Store Door and somebody I suppose has Stolen it. at least I can hear nothing of it.

Jun 30 Clear & very warm this morning. no prospects of rain at least there is no indication of it. Margaret complains of her back hurting her this morning. she as well as myself is growing old. I Do not know what else to attribute our increasing infirmities to but that. sure it is that I am breaking Down. got the Kiln Sett and considerable casing Done. want to fire it soon as possible. went Down to John Campbells and got his old Rake to repair mine.

Jul 1 Clear & warm through the Day but is said to have been frost west of Town. none here at Unserheim. cased at the Kiln all Day. have it nearly Done. Sold no brick to Day. a little symptom of rain in afternoon but I fear none will come. Mark is working the corn.

Jul 2 Clear & cool. got up churned and brot in the cows before sunrise. read the investigator until breakfast then went to Brickyard where I spent the entire Day. got the Kiln ready to fire. Sold quite a number of brick to Day & got the money. cool at sunset.

Jul 3 Clear with some fog and cool before sunrise. churned. Mark hauled wood at the Brickyard. I smeared the Kiln and got fire into it by 2 O'clock PM. Belle & Nora have gone to Leetonia to spend the fourth. 35 years ago to night Margaret & I were married. it rained then.

Jul 4 Clear & cool. a big fire in town last night. I was firing the Kiln when I Discovered the light. soon the alarm commenced by hollowing & ringing of bells but several buildings were on fire before the Engines were ready to play on it. it broke out first in the Tolerton House Barn where three horses were burned. communicated with Milton Taylors Barn & burnt a large amount of Machinery & tools for moving buildings. his loss must be heavy. 2 houses for George Wiley one for Abram Painter one for Hill Tolerton Zimmermans Blacksmithshop and another Dwelling that I know no owner for. loss heavy if not insured. I attended at the Kiln all Day. Sam Johnson hauled wood as Mark is absent taking the 4th. Belle & Nora returned this evening. am glad of it.

Jul 5 Cloudy and cool. on my coming home from the Kiln this morning I am hailed as grandfather for the first time Sis having given Birth to a Daughter about 5 O'clock this morning. am rejoiced to Know she got along well. cloud most of the Day but sun sett clear and all signs of rain vanished. we are bound to burn up from present appearances. Kiln is Doing well. J F Dickinson here.

Jul 6 Clear & hot all Day. Mark hauled wood in forenoon. Johny hauling brick. I attending the Kiln. in afternoon Mark is mowing field. Sam Johnson is Cradling wheat. grass is scarcely worth cutting. Dry & hot all Day. corn is rolled up and withered.

Jul 7 Clear & hot this morning with no apparent sign of rain. Margaret is absent at Sis's as I write at ½ past seven AM. I have just swallowed a mouthful of Breakfast and must away to the Kiln. it requires my constant attention. Mark & Johny is going to haul in wheat. hay is cut. at noon am so exhausted with the heat as to be almost unable to get home to Diner and to make it worse carried 20 Lb of Sugar out. when I came in weighed 40 to me when I got home. Mark & Johny have got in one load of hay and one almost played out. a few clouds are coming up in northwest but I fear there is no rain for us yet. all cleared away before sunset without one Drop of Rain.

Jul 8 Cloudy & some cooler with winds in northwest. Wiley & I are still at Kiln. Doc Harris Barn was discovered to be on fire about 8 O'clock PM. Engines were on hand promptly & saved the surrounding stables thanks to a good supply of water. Mark hauled

in hay and mowed more Down. Kiln is Doing first rate. clouded up but at sunset is no prospect of rain. Margaret stays with Sis to night. it is so hot she can scarce survive it.

Jul 9 Cloudy with a splendid rain at 4 O'clock AM. put our Kiln back a little but that is a slight grievance compared with the good the Rain Does us. Mark & Johny got in another entire field of hay 7 loads. Margaret has to go over to see Mother Goulbourn. we fear she may not live long. would like exceedingly to go with her but cannot leave the Kiln. must finish it to night if Possible.

Jul 10 Cloudy with some rain last night. shut the Kiln about Daylight. spent the Day at the Trinity Block fixing up. Mark & Johny Bound and shocked out wheat that the Damned Ethiopion has left Down.

July 11 Cloudy & wet. fine rain in forenoon. spent most of the Day in the house at home. churned and Done little schores for Belle until I got sleepy when I and the Comadore laid Down on the bed and slept until called to Diner. had a notice of Garnashee served on me of Sam Johnsons wages that is yet in my hands to pay his board bill. not enough to cover it either. Mark hauled a load of coal. threatens rain at sunset. brot home my new Boots (for Sunday ones) the first new ones I have bought (or rather had made) for ten years. Old ones are good yet but I had the leather and it is better made up.

Jul 12 Cloudy & wet. raining at 6 O'clock AM and looks as though it might rain all Day. Slacked up about noon. hitched Jont to the Carriage went up town got Belle. went out to Jont Evans from there to Grandmother Goulbourns. found her as comfortable as could be expected under the circumstances. rained two very hard showers while we were there. came home in good time. plenty of rain now for awhile.

Jul 13 Cloudy but soon cleared off and is as fine growing weather as one could ask. repaired our Plow and as grass is wet Mark is plowing sod in forenoon. Johny is hauling brick and I am Painting tin roof. Mark & Johny hauled in what hay was cut. in afternoon Fritz Allen Brady & Bill Johnson Cradling wheat.

July 14 Clear & warm. got up early & churned. weeded in the garden until breakfast time. put in the rest of the Day at Trinity Block fixing up. Mark & Johny finished Mowing and got all the hay in the Barn. Fitz Allen Brady finished cutting the wheat and it is now all in shock. weather warm. Chicago is burning up again this afternoon.

Jul 15 Clear & warm all Day. helped at Trinity Block again to Day. Mark & Johny hauled in our wheat. Chicago still Burning at 9 O'clock this morning. looks a little like rain at Sunsett.

Jul 16 Cloudy with a little rain last night. I got up early & churned by sunrise. brot up the cows & looked up some Sand before breakfast. helped all Day at the Brickyard. opened our second Kiln. it is charming thus far. Mark & Johny hauled brick in afternoon. got one of our wagon wheels filled.

Jul 17 Clear & cool. got up early. Ironed my wagon wheel and got all ready to haul Stone before breakfast then Mark & I went out to Metzgers quarry and got 8 as good step Stones as I ever saw. got them home and unloaded by Six O'clock. no sign of rain. little Nora Picked berries for Mr Bain for which he paid her twenty eight cents the first money she ever worked for & got. she says it is far better than Doing nothing. Belle is in Town this Evening.

Jul 18 Clear & warm. got up early and churned. bought 145 cents worth worth of beef. costs us about fifty cents a Day for meat. hauled brick in forenoon in coal & Sand. Sold Geo Martin 200 lb of flour at 4 Dollars per 100 pounds. took Margaret over to Grandmother Goulbourns to stay all night. hitched Dolly to Carriage the first time. she behaved very well.

Jul 19 Clear & warm. got up early. brot the Cows & Belle milked them before the flies got troublesome. after breakfast Johny & I hoped our wagon wheels. they had got so loose it was injuring them to use them. went over and brot Margaret home. Grandmother is pert but confined to her bed. spent the afternoon at home

.Jul 20 Cloudy & very warm. threatens rain. got up early. put the hay ladders on the wagon. must haul Ed Hises wheat in. hauled brick the balance of the Day. cloudy all Day but no rain.

Jul 21 Cloudy & wet. rained moderate most of the forenoon. helped Geo Martin at the Stairway and worked in the cellar. trying to Dry it up. think I will accomplish it this time. got a letter from Brother William of Iowa. he & his are all well & Doing well.

Jul 22 Clear & warm. commenced cutting our oats this morning. finished the Cellar and sett brick. in afternoon Mark & Johny hauled Brick Coal & Sand. Paid Emon Wilson 50 Dollars on wood hauling.

Jul 23 Clear & warm. got up early & churned before sunrise. hauled and sett brick. the men finished cutting the Oats by noon. light crop. will have to haul it in without binding. Paid Belle 2 Dollars. she & Nora is spending the evening up Town. cool & pleasant. will be a splendid night to sleep. I will try it.

Jul 24 Cloudy & threatens rain. did rain a little at 9 O'clock but no enough to lay the Dust. sett brick most of the Day. helped load. Mark & Johny hauled in Oats in forenoon. in afternoon hauled Brick. hauled with one horse wagon also. some of our Oats out yet as we feared it was not Dry enough to bring in. Mark has gone over to Grandmother Goulbourns with Margaret. I suppose she will stay all night. I shall be lonesome.

Jul 25 Cloudy & partially clear at times but brick Dried but little. finished setting up what was under the shed. have 12000 out that will probably get wet as it threatens rain. Mark & I hauled a load of from Travers this afternoon where there is plenty of a superior

quality. brot Margaret home this evening. Mother Goulbourn is very poorly. rained a little this evening.

Jul 26 Cloudy & Dull. spent most of the Day whitling cane heads. toward evening went over to Jesse Beesons to buy a lot in which to be buried as I like the location of his land and it will Doubtless be a Cemetery some Day. A Fuller & wife called to visit us. tremendous rain about sunset. has not rained so much at one time for years. wind blew from northeast. will Doubtless cut my Brick that are out but cannot help it. am too far off to get there. Sis Hise with her little Daughter is here with us to Day. it is but 3 weeks old. is Smart as can be.

Jul 27 Cloudy & Dull all Day. we hauled Brick but made none. was forced to Deny man brick that came 15 miles to buy them but missed. are all sold that are as hard as he wanted. Alleck & wife stayed until after Diner when they went Down to Sister Unas. still looks like rain at Dark but wind is in northwest & is cool. Mother Goulbourn is better to Day. Great gunshot and loss of life in Pittsburgh.

Jul 28 Cloudy & cool. hauled Brick in forenoon. in afternoon took in the Balance of our Oats. poor crop will amount to almost nothing. cleared off before noon and now looks as if the rain was over for the present. got a letter from Eli Elliot of Iowa saying his wife would be here in a day or two.

Jul 30 Clear & cool. got up early. put bottom board in wagon so as to hold sand as we want to haul considerable. Mark hauled sand in forenoon. in afternoon brick. Johny & I cased at the Kiln. got along first rate. Paid Jesse Beeson 26 Dollars & got the Deed for the Lot 2 Bargained for on Sunday last (viz) 25 feet wide and 150 feet long containing a trifle over one twelfth of an Acre. Situated in the northeast corner of his tract of land. threatens rain at sunset.

Jul 31 Clear & pleasant. hauled brick & Sand. made 4000. Barcus finished setting the Kiln. got considerable of it cased up. want to burn it as soon as Possible. cool and pleasant at sunset. James Sears paid his Brick bill 27.41 cents.

Aug 1 Cloudy & threatens rain but none fell. hauled brick with 2 teams. made 16000 this week. Dried poor to Day. Harriet Elliot of Iowa came on the cars last night. Ed Hise took Charlie & the Carriage and brot her to our house. she is a Daughter of Sister Phebe. is in poor health came here to Doctor. Sara McMillen with cousin visited us this afternoon.

Aug 2 Clear & cool. went up to Brickyard and prepared a place for brick. from there strolled around. got home in time to go to Joels for Diner where we met John & Mrs. Gordon. came home ½ past 6. several called to Harriet.

Aug 3 Clear at Daylight but at 6 O'clock AM as I write is cloudy. have Done some schores this morning. feel well. 3 of us cased at the Kiln. Mark hauled coal snd & brick.

had 12000 Dry ones wheeled in to Day.

Aug 4 Clear & cool. got up early & churned. our brickyard Horses are out here this morning and "Old Mike" is so Stiff I think he shall never work more. I have ordered Mark to feed him well & turn out to pasture. I bought him of John Carson on August 24th 1855 and he was then past 4 years Old. has worked faithfully ever since. has never refused his feed once to my knowledge in all that time (19 years). got one of Philip Evans to take his place. cased and smeared at the Kiln. Mark hauled brick. cool at sunset.

Aug 5 Clear & pleasant. finished casing and smearing the Kiln and got fire into it by 3 O'clock PM. Mark hauled Brick. made 4000. things move along about right. looks a little like rain at sunset. I stay at the Kiln to night.

Aug 6 Cloudy with a very little rain at daylight. hope it may rain more. Kiln is warming up about as it should. finished hauling out what hard brick we have on hand. Mark hauld a load of sand for the cellar. Kiln is Doing fine. cleared off in afternoon and at 6 O'clock all signs of rain vanished.

Aug 7 Clear & cloudy at intervals through the Day. some little prospects of rain but not very flattering. Kiln is Doing fine. Charlie Davis moved his shop onto corner of Main & Canfield Streets. Mark is plowing for wheat. ground is in better order than we supposed. rained a little toward evening but not enough to wet the ground of consequence. false alarm fire at 8 O'clock. broke the Negro Concert up in confusion. the Children lost their money.

Aug 8 Cloudy & Dull. threatens rain. Uncle Silas is here to breakfast. was all night at Trimbles. rained some about 8 O'clock but soon broke away. made a Days work of Brick. Kiln is getting hot. Mark plowed ground in good order. Belle is up town at Supper time. read the Investigator over & over again. it is interesting and instructive. Trinity Block Plastered.

Aug 9 Clear & warm. was clear all night. Kiln is red hot this morning. Wiley & I are burning it. John Jones is here this morning from Cleveland. more bricklayers there than can get work. Mark came up towards evening and wheeled up wood enough to last us all night. another attempt to fire a barn to night making 3 successive evenings that some one has made effort but in every it was Discovered before Doing any Damage.

Aug 10 Cloudy at sunrise but Does not look like raining. our Kiln is very hot this morning. have the middle Down and are setting one edge. Mark is plowing wheat ground. John helped us at the Kiln. made 4000 Brick & sold a few. change fire to night.

Aug 11 Clear & warm. Kiln is nearly Done. hope to finish it by to night at farthest. no alarm of fire last night for a wonder. Belle is here this morning unexpectedly as she started to go to Leetonia but gave it out & returned home last evening. am glad of it for we need her services very much.

Aug 12 Clear & hot. Thermometer looks but one degree of being up to Blood heat at noon. still firing on a few of the arches of the Kiln that are not settled as much as I desire. Mark is a little amiss to Day having a little touch of the Ague. took quinine to check it and at noon as I write feels better. Wiley & I stuck to the Kiln until Six O'clock when closed the last arch & left it.

Aug 13 Clear & pleasant this morning. slept so hard last night that I feel tired this morning. Mark & Johny is hauling out manure. I spent most of the Day in Town expecting John Marshall to put in cellar steps but he is unwell. Don Sharpnacks child Died.

Aug 14 Clear & warm all Day. Wiley & I cleared out the upstairs rooms in Trinity Block. I got the iron snubbing Post turned that I intend to sett in corner of Pavement. it is completely solid Iron 4 inches in Diameter with an acorn turned on the top. it will look well. made 4000 Brick. Mark & Johny is still hauling out manure. Belle is up to the Division (Temperance orgination) to night. Reeds wife buried to Day.

Aug 15 Clear & pleasant. finished cutting the stone & put Down pavement at the kitchen Door. quite an improvement. Margaret Harriet & I attended the Funeral of Percey Sharpnack. got home by noon. in afternoon I assisted the Stone Masons to put cellar steps at trinity Block. got all in but not finished. got a new garrotte Vest.

Aug 16 Clear & warm. am a little amiss this morning. ate too many ripe Pears on yesterday. Margaret Harriet Sis & the Baby all visited at Mother Goulbourns. she is much better. I spent the Day at home. had no callers for a wonder until just in the evening. Jonathan Evans with his wife & child called a few minutes. they are all looking fine.

Aug 17 Clear & warm. I assisted John Marshall and he finished our cellar steps by noon. in afternoon I sheeted at the roof of our bed room getting it ready for Tin roof. our Cousin Elizabeth Necator and William Howels wife & children are with us this afternoon. Mark finished hauling out the Manure.

Aug 18 Clear & warm. sheeted some more of the roof before breakfast. opened our Kiln but it is too hot. hauled sand & 2 loads of brick. Mrs. Post & 2 of Walkers girls visited to Day. got my sheeting on & brot the Tin & tools out. sold several thousand brick to Day. warm & Dry. wish it would rain.

Aug 19 Clear & warm. got up and 3 O'clock churned and made a lot of Horse nails before Day light. Shod Charlie. hauled Brick all Day. David Burford put on the tin roof to Day. Belle is absent in Town this afternoon. Telegraphic Dispatch from Toledo Ohio announced the Death of Uriah Wilson who had been Doing business there as a lumber dealer. his former home was Salem where he has lived for the most part since 1826. he & I have been intimate all that time. I shall miss him much not that we were particular

friends as we Differed on almost every question he a Pro Slavery Democrat and a Rebel Sympathiser During the Rebellion & I as near the opposite extreme as I could get but as we were children together and our Parents children together also we were always intimate and agreed to Disagree and now that he is gone I shall miss him as I have said above. bout 5 bushels of Oats cost 60 cts per bushel.

Aug 20 Clear & warm. hauled brick. sold some at the Kiln. Uriah Wilson buried at 4 O'clock this afternoon. I could not attend as I thought I was too busy. have too much on hand. they are crowding me for Brick on every hand. wish there was more money in it. am getting very tired of it but know not what else I can Do for a living just now.

Aug 21 Clear & warm. hauling brick still. said to be the warmest Day of the season. James Leech predicted at 12 O'clock that I would hear thunder before 6 but I could see no reason to expect it but sure enough about 5 O'clock it not only thundered but rained hard and at bedtime is still raining.

Aug 22 Cloudy windy & wet. rained hard at 12 O'clock last night and as I write at 6 in the morning looks like being a wet Day. hauled out brick as it rained none of account. made none as the yard was wet. got most of what is made sett up. lots of country folks in Town to Day.

Aug 23 Cloudy with rain at 8 O'clock AM. Sat about the House all Day. nothing going on if I except the altering of my Pantaloons that Margaret is Doing or rather has just finished. covered a cane head for E T Vickers. the cane itself is part of one of Gen Anthony Waynes Block Houses tht once stood at Fort Wayne Indiana. is of white oak.

Aug 24 Cloudy at Daylight but soon cleared off. is cool and pleasant. hauled brick. sent 2 thousand Down to Sandstone Farm one and a half mile South of Winona. Emon Wilson hauled them. one of my brick hands came up missing and I expect left me minus 7 50/100 Doll. cool at sunset.

Aug 25 Clear & cool. got up at 2 O'clock took Collar and bridal up to Brickyard. came back and slept on the Lounge until Daylight. Margaret is over at Grandmother Goulbourns. Mark took her over. hauled brick the balance of the Day. made 4000. weather is pretty good again. I went over after Margaret this evening. Hollie Elliot went with me for the ride. John Jones started for Staunton Virginia this morning.

Aug 26 Clear & cool. got up early & churned. picked up some fine apples but cannot sell them for enough to pay for taking them to Town. hauling brick still.

Aug 27 Clear & cool. feels like fall of year this morning. got up early bought beef costs lots of money. hauled brick. made a mold and got 100 tile made for Mrs. Bane to cover flue in hot house.

Aug 28 Clear & cool. hauled brick in forenoon and coal & Sand in afternoon. Johny

wanted to see them play Base Ball a match game between Salem & Youngstown. I Done but little in afternoon. got our third Kiln about sett up.

Aug 29 Clear & cool fall weather. hauled brick. finished setting our 3rd Kiln. want to burn it soon. Settled with & paid all hands thus far but money is getting scarce.

Aug 30 Clear & cool. Shod Doll & repaired wagon. went up Town with Nora & brot Carrie Laymon of Alleghenie out to play to Day. shod Doll and in afternoon took Margaret out to see Harriet Arner where we met Charles Jobes and his wife. came home early. wrote a letter to Tacy Gilbert. she is now at Oxford Chester Co Pennyslvania.

Sep 1 Clear & very warm through the Day. got up early took the Mare up to Brickyard and helped offbear brick until breakfast time. Johny helped the Balance of the Day. they made 8000 between sunrise & sunset and took one hour at noon which is by far the fastest molding I ever had Done. Stephen Adams now stands ahead of any brick molder (for speed) that I ever had work for me. Wiley & I cased at the Kiln getting along fine, Mark is farming getting ready to sow wheat. weather Dry with little prospects of rain.

Sep 2 Clear & warm all Day. made 4000 brick. cased the Kiln. hauled some brick. bought Six Dozen glass jars for fruit cost 5 50/100 Doll. Bought 2 bushel of Peaches of Loren Webb cost 85 cents per bushel. Mark spread some of the Manure on the wheat ground.

Sep 3 Clear & warm. hauled some brick and cased the smeared at the Kiln. could have fired it but at 4 O'clock it commenced raining and as we had no wood under the shed concluded not to work in the wet to get it. Miss Brainard expired at 9 O'clock this evening after a protracted illness. Richard Garrigues is low with Typhoid Fever. I can sympathize with him.

Sep 4 Cloudy but partially clear at intervals. sun shone warm when not obscured. hauled brick and wood. Wiley & I finished smearing the Kiln & got it on fire this afternoon. cloudy. subscribed for the Salem Republican of Isaac Trescott. have a deal with him. Threshing Machine is here to night so as to be ready to thresh tomorrow. I stay at the Kiln to night.

Sep 5 Clear & warm. brot Thomas Sharps Engine over & Done our Threshing with it. it is so much better than Horses. Rained a fine Shower at 10 O'clock and another at 5 in afternoon. got Done threshing before night. Paid Eamon Wilson 50 Dollars on account. Miss Ella Brainard buried by Crumrine at 3 O'clock PM.

Sep 6 Clear & cloudy at intervals with no rain last night. I attended the Kiln alone. dark & cloudy most of the night. attended the Kiln all Day. Wiley assisted. Mark hauled wood most of the Day. wants to sow our wheat tomorrow.

Sep 7 Cloudy at sunrise. rained a little before seven O'clock as I write at ½ past 7. looks

like being a fine Day. our Kiln isgood and hot. Mark sowed the wheat & Johny harrowed it in. made 4000 brick. Kiln is settling some. Margaret visited up Town.

Sep 8 Clear & warm. Mark hauled Sand and wood & finished harrowing in the wheat. says he has a good job of it. looks some like rain at 5 O'clock PM but it blowed off without any for us. our Kiln is progressing finely.

Sep 9 Clear & warm. Mark hauled wood & Brick out of the Kiln. Wiley & I pegging away at the Kiln. James Reed paid me 10 Doll on account. got a paper from Parker Pillsbury from Rochester N.Y. Lawrence Websters widow Burried to Day.

Sep 10 Clear & warm. no sign of rain. shut the Kiln at sunrise this morning. think we have an excellent burn. Paid Wiley ten Dollars. took a short nap before Diner. helped about the yard what I could. Nora is to unwell to attend school.

Sep 11 Clear and warm. got up at 3 O'clock. went up to brickyard to see if all was right as I feared the butments would take fire. they had been & Capt Barcus put them out. otherwise they would have done a mint of mischief. I done but little to day.

Sep 12 Clear & pleasant. this Day I am Sixty one years of age. have just received at 7 O'clock AM a very handsome present from Hollie Elliot (of Iowa who is here on a visit) of a Brackett of Black walnut. consists of a single shelf supported by a Deer head elaborately carved. to me it is valuable and I thank her cordially for it. attended the Pioneers Meeting. quite interesting. presented them an Old Execution Issued by Esq Ketch against Denis Driskell in November 1806 and also an Epistle of the Yearly Meeting of Friends adopted in 1819. saw & spoke to Ann Lanwill and Old School Mate tho some older than I am.

Sep 13 Clear Dry & warm. Margaret & I rode over to see Mother Goulbourn. she is much better. brot Mary Gee home with us. John Gordon visited us. had a very pleasant afternoon of it. I walked down to Joels in the evening & got a few Pears that are yet hard but will soon be excellent. Belle is absent all Day and has not returned as I write at 8 O'clock PM.

Sep 14 Clear & warm. Mark & Johny gathered our apples & took them Down to Jacob Forkers and got 3 Barrels of cider. I & Stephen Adams worked at paving the Cellar under Trinity Block. got along first rate. Done much more of it than I expected to when we began. Made no brick today. ofbearer played off.

Sep 15 Cloudy but not much prospects of rain. Mark & Johny hauled brick. I & Wiley paved cellar. used up what Brick we had up there. have it nearly one half Done. looks a little like rain. made 4000 Brick or nearly so. mill gave out. must repair it tomorrow. teeth & jaw is so sore I go to bed without my supper.

Sep 16 Cloudy but not much prospects of rain. Wiley & I worked at the cellar putting in

tile & wheeling out rubbish. Mark & John hauled some brick. at sunset looks like rain. in afternoon Wiley & I repaired tub & put on shed. (all right.

Sep 17 Cloudy and raining a little at Daylight. took casting off the Kiln and hauled out some brick. Rained a little in forenoon but in afternoon rained none. rather cool all Day. Margaret & Hollie went visiting to Pack Seeds. (go early to bed).

Sep 18 Cloudy. 5 hands cut up corn to Day. I Done but little except to collect some money. made brick again to Day but I was not at the yard for a wonder. Richard Garrigues Died this morning at 3 O'clock with that desparate Disease Typhoid Fever. when first I heard he had it I predicted his Death. no one who has not an Iron Constitution and even then all other conditions must be favorable or no one can survive its terrible shocks. he will be much missed. was a good and useful citizen. will be buried on Sunday at 2 O'clock PM.

Sep 19 Clear & cool. made & hauled brick. sent P.O. order to Truth Seekers for 3 Dollars one for John Gordon 2 for myself. clouded up and rained about 5 O'clock PM. had our brick about all cared for. cool at Dark.

Sep 20 Clear windy & cool. wrote two Deeds in forenoon in afternoon attended the Funeral of Richard Garrigues which was very large much more so than is usual. he had many friends and few enemies. was always to found on the side of Mercy & Justice. the colored people of this vicinity has lost a Friend of whom they were not worthy. cool at sunset.

Sep 21 Clear & cool with some frost. Made 4000 Brick. hauled brick all Day. Margaret visited at Doc Howls. he brot her home in his Carriage. gathered a few more peaches for Peach butter.

Sep 22 Clear & cold. gathered a few more peaches this morning. not all ripe yet. cleaned out our big shed ready for the last Kiln. Mark hauled Jo Mills 30 bushels coal. Margaret & Johny made a splendid lot of Peach butter.

Sep 23 Clear & cool but no frost. got up early went up to the Brickyard and showed Joe Mills where to pile brick. came directly back and churned before breakfast. hauled & piled down Brick all Day. Wiley helped us. made 4000 also. Belle has gone to Leetonia from there she goes to the County Fair. will not be home before Friday. brot Nora some little Fish but suppose they will not long survive. Old Mr. Gee is Dead. he has kept a small grocery in Salem for several years. was an inoffensive and quiet Old Man. has a Daughter I believe living in Salem & with whom he boarded.

Sep 24 Cloudy in northwest. rainbow. shower went north. too cool to rain. hauled brick & made 4000 as usual. Day fine and all passed off splendidly. moon shines bright and is very pleasant at bedtime.

Sep 25 Clear & warm. got up early. made fire and gathered Peaches before breakfast. making no Brick this forenoon. some trouble up among the Darkies. they are a Hell of a sett the best you can Do with them. will be glad when I am Done with them. Sis & Ed is making peach butter here to Day. plenty of Peaches. Belle returned at noon. had a dusty time at the Fair. bought 2 Dollars worth of Sugar (17 lbs). no appearance of rain yet. is very Dry indeed. Pasture is all parched up.

Sep 26 Clear & Pleasant all Day. hauled and made brick. Mrs Deetrick Died at 5 O'clock PM. Jane Wisner is with us to night. Mark & I each of us bought a new Hat cost 3 Dollars and twenty five cents each.

Sep 27 Cloudy & wet. Dull and raining moderate most of the Day. Uncle Silas Howel spent some time and took Diner with us. Sis Hise & her baby also. it grows finely. wrote a letter to Parker Pillsbury who is now in Toledo Ohio.

Sep 28 Cloudy & wet. heavy rain last night. shod our horses. Mark & Johny gathered apples and made cider. I bought half groose fruit jars cost 5 50/100 Doll. Margaret is busy canning Peaches.

Sep 29 Cloudy & cooler. soon cleared off. made 4000 brick to Day. I Done little except to collect some money one hundred Dollars of Sovern Silver. Paid my note in Bank owe one hundred yet. Mark & Johny hauled Brick. I hitched Dolly to the Carriage and took Margaret & Holly out to John Whinneys to see his Daughter Abbie who has been absent in Europe for the last five years spending her time in London & Paris the latter place principally. she looks and is well and puts on no airs and that is what I most admire in her. she is soon to return to Boston Mass where she is engaged to sing for a whole year.

Sep 30 Cloudy & wet. rained last night. started to Lisbon at 8 ½ O'clock. rained a very little wore my overcoat. got my platt of my Edition to Salem recorded. cost me 5 Dollars. got my horse fed and started home at noon. arrived safe in about an hour. rained too much to make brick. Margaret made 7 gallons of splendid Peach butter. Johny & Mark assisted what they could. hands came to cut corn but got too wet. will come again the first good Day.

Oct 1 Clear & cool. I am putting glass in cellar windows. Mark & his men are cutting corn. made a Days work of Brick. cool all Day. William Lightfoot called to see me.

Oct 2 Clear & cool. hauled brick. making a setting brick. want to wind up a soon as possible now. called over to John Strawn to eat grapes. he has a great abundance 12 varieties. hard telling which is best. he is generous with them. tells me to come and eat when I feel like it.

Oct 3 Clear & cool but no frost yet that I have seen. bought beef which I Do three times a week. costs lots of money. Mark hauled coal. I put in my large snubbing post at the west corner of Trinity Block. made a capital job of it. collected some money. Paid

Paskall Seeds the last 20 Dollars I owe him making 419.66 cts in all. glad I him Paid. wish I could say as much for all the rest I owe. must dig away.

Oct 4 Clear & cool. spent the forepart of the Day at home. in afternoon attended the Funeral of Miss Cora Chapin a beautiful Miss of 19 years who Died of Typhoid Fever. she was a twin Sister. it seemed very hard that she must Die but Death is inexpanable. knows or shows any mercy. a large circle of friends followed her to her final resting place. Mr. Boyle preached her Funeral Discourse and acquitted himself in his usual able and Gentlemanly maner. I was much pleased with his Discourse. could endorse a large portion of it but of course not all. he did not maintain that this same body would arise at the great Day as generally urged by the thelogeons but allowed Science to rob him of that but Don't for Heavens Sake said he rob me of my Soul. to all of which I could say Amen. suggested to Henry Judd and Mr. Young the Saddler the propriety of Stratning Canfield Street. the proposition met with a favorable reception. will try it on.

Oct 5 Clear & cool. got up early and churned. Margaret is roasting a Turkey for the Soldiers reunion on tomorrow. hauled & sett brick but made none. looks like rain at sunset.

Oct 6 Cloudy & cool with some rain last night. took the roast Turkey up to Town Hall. hauled brick in forenoon. no rain since Daylight and Day is fine for the Reunion of the Soldiers that takes place in Salem to Day. hauled brick until noon. took Margaret & Hollie to Town. I looked at the folks & they visited Tine Fuller who took the Cars at 5 PM for Chicago where she meets her husband. came home before Dark.

Oct 7 Cloudy & Dull. rained a little in the night. Mark & I sowed some grass seed before breakfast. at 9 Hollie & I went to Depot. met Eli Elliott her husband with Wm Dickinsons wife. took her out to Hollie Arners. all hands surprised to see her. hauled brick in afternoon. cloudy all Day. Edwin Smith Paid his Brick Bill 31 50/100 Doll.

Oct 8 Cloudy & Dull. tearing Down Old shop to Day. want to sett the crib house where it stands & then build a new shop. Margaret Hillie & Eli has gone out to see Tom & Mag Wilson. returned without seeing them not being at home.

Oct 9 Cloudy & Dull. Mark went to alliance Fair. John & I covered our soft brick that are piled out in forenoon. in afternoon tore Down the old shop. will be a big job to clear it up. Eli Elliott went Down to see Sam Arter they were friends in Iowa. made some brick to Day.

Oct 10 Cloudy & Cool. hauled some brick. hauled our paving stone home. they are very nice indeed. in afternoon Mark brot a load of coal to Stephen Adams. we all took supper with brother Jesse. Johny brot the Carriage after us at 7 O'clock.

Oct 11 Cloudy & partially clear through the Day. got up in good time. after breakfast took Eli Buggy riding. went Down past Jacob Sells & out to McCrackens Schoolhouse

and home by way of Mother Goulbourns where we stopped a short time. came home & all went out to Hol Arnerss where we met Lizzie Goucher and a host of others among them Tip Dickinsons wife from Montana where they live. she showed us a necklace worn by the Indian her husband shot after being shot by the Indian. the ball grazed his cheek cutting off the lower extension of the Ear when Tip Blazed away at him and brot him Down. he took his Mocasins necklace rifle and what else he could use and then his scalp. two other Indians approached in hostile attitude But Tip went through the motions of loading his gun (though he had no ammunition) made at them as if to shoot them when they wheeled and run thus giving him a chanceto get back to the Fort where he got his wound dressed. the Indian evidently meant to shoot him in the face.

Oct 12 Cloudy & cool. hauled some Sand and some brick. the Sand for George Martin. took tea at Sis & Eds with Eli Elliott & wife. Day lost.

Oct 14 Cloudy but soon cleared off. hauled Brick. I Done some little schores up at Trinity Block. Eli & Hollie are getting ready to Start to Iowa. we hauled their Fruit to Depot at 5 O'clock. we all went Down & saw them off. cold will freeze to night.

Oct 15 Clear & cold. white frost. hauling sand & brick. some are setting brick. I Done a little work about Trinity Block. bought a barrel of Lime & one Do of Cement. work to top out one of our chimneys.

Oct 16 Clear but warmer. hauled brick & Sand. I helped Ed Hise top out our chimney. made a good job of it. weather is as fine as can be. Jacob Heaton called out to see me. wanted to know if I remembered the Testimony given in the Court of Comon Pleas by Hill Tolerton in a suit between him & Hill. I remember it Distinctly for the reason that I believed it at the time to be false and although it has been several years since nothing has transpired to make me change my mind.

Oct 17 Clear & cool. I helped sett brick to Day. Mark & Johny Dug Potatoes. put away 16 bushel of early rose. Ed Hise went to Alliance to see John Jones. has his foot smashed slightly by a box of Rail Road Iron falling on it. some excitement in Town this evening caused by the arrival from Pittsburgh in the hands of our Sheriff (Joseph Founain) of two sneak thieves who robbed Mrs. Copes house of silver ware a few nights since. they were captured in Pittsburgh while in the act of pawning it for money. most of the ware was recovered & they bound over to Court under a penalty of one hundred Dollars each.

Oct 18 Clear & pleasant. Mark & I repaired line fence. Margaret & I called Down to Joels to see Clarke Norris & his Bride just from Illinois. married on Thursday last. Marius & Emly Robinson called in & spent the evening with us.

Oct 19 Clear & cool. Mark & John Hauled Brick in forenoon. in afternoon Mark Picked apples. I helped put a prop under brick shed & while at it was attacked by a second stroke of Paralasis that disabled me for the Balance of the Day. I however got better toward evening so that I could walk about. Clarke Norris & his Lady together with lots of our

yound friends took supper & spent the evening with us. Clarke & his wife are from Bureau Co Illinois. Jacob Heaton called out to see if I would be able to go with him to New Lisbon on the morrow. I told him the prospects were favorable.

Oct 20 Clear & cold with a spankin frost. Jacob Heaton called while we were at breakfast. I was soon ready & we were off for Lisbon where we arrived by 8 O'clock. went Directly from the hotel to the Court House where I spent the entire Day listening to the trial of the Case pending between Jacob Heaton & Hill Tolerton. It would require too much writing here to state the case save to say I was Deeply impressed with the uncertainty of Law by the fact that after all it was left to 12 Jurymen who are picked up at random & who may be as ignorant of the points of Law applicable to case as a horse and yet their verdict is final. I would infinitely prefer to leave it to the Judge who is at least presumed to know the law in the case. after hearing the Lawyers through & the judges charge to the jury (which I thought very just) we left for home where we arrived safe and I no worse for the ride but some fatigued. will go early to bed. brot home from the recorders office my plat of my addition to Salem & also a couple of deeds that had been left for record.

Oct 21 Clear and as pleasant Indian Summer as can be. 4 of us casing the Kiln. Mark hauled stone and picked apples. got a letter from Hollie Elliott got safe home.

Oct 22 Clear & pleasant. some frost in the valleys but as fine warm Day as one could wish. 4 of us at the Kiln casing it. Mark picked apples. some indications of rain at sunset. have none of our corn husked yet. should have but are behing with our work. as is usual then case with us we have too much to Day.

Oct 23 Clear & pleasant. finished casing the Kiln and sett fire about 4 O'clock PM. Milton Taylor came to move our corn crib. his hired hand & team is with us all night. we got it loaded by Dark. will soon move it. Milton went to Alliance to meet his wife who has been on a visit to Michigan on a visit. he will be back in the morning. I shall stay at the kiln to night.

Oct 24 Clear & warm. Kiln done fine last night. I came out early as Wiley is at the kiln and helped move the Crib. got it all Done & tools out by noon. Milton did not get back until we were about Done. took Diner with us. charged me 4 Dollars which is cheap enough. John Jones returned to Day. he has a smashed foot. got it by a collision on the Rail Road. Peter Heitman & his family consisting of 3 children now are with us to night. I must be at the Kiln.

Oct 25 Clear & warm. stayed at the Kiln all night last night. had a splendid view of the Total Eclipse of the moon the sky being entirely clear. Peter spends some time with me at the Kiln. it is now red hot (the arches). any amount of folks here to Diner so many I shall not attempt enumeration. Mark is hauling wood for us at the yard. one of Peters horses sprained his stifle in the Stable and is too lame to Drive home so that he was forced to take our Buggy & one of his horses to go home leaving the lame one here. Hannah & her

children took the Cars. John Jones went to Alliance also.

Oct 26 Clear & warm. Kiln is Doing well to all appearances. Margaret is very tired this morning. Peter came at noon and took his horse. Johny picking apples. Mark hauled wood & Rye Straw. commenced husking our corn.

Oct 27 Cloudy with a little rain last night. will Dampen the fodder & make it much better to tie up. Mark hauled wood at the yard. Johny & Ed Hise picked apples. I attended the Kiln. it is Doing fine. cleared off and is fine again. real Indian summer.

Oct 28 Clear & warm. Mark hauled wood in the forenoon. in afternoon hauled sand. Johny hauled in corn. Thomas Spencer Died about noon to Day. thus another of our Oldest settlers is gone. he was among the earliest. was a hunter in his youth. could tell many interesting facts connected with his early Days. one I must record lest it may be entirely lost. when but a lad his Father (John Spencer) sent him to take a bag of wheat home that he had borrowed of David Parks who then lived on the second tier of sections in Goshen Township. on his return a little before sunset he discovered a she wolf run under a shelving rock in a small ravine. he rode the colt up as close as he could get it to go then dismounted. led it up to the mouth of the small cave (for such it proved to be) into which the wolf had entered. taking the empty bag in his hand he crept into the cave and by shouting and flourishing the sack succeded in frightening the old wolf out and away from the cave. looping the bridle rein around his wrist he crowded far enough into the hole to Discover 6 young wolves. he at once commenced to slaughter them but by the time he could kill one the old one would return frightening the colt. it of course flew back which would signal the Danger. out would come Spencer frighten her away and reenter and at once commence Distruction until interrupted by the return of the Old one when he would again sally forth and run her away. in this way the Colt giving him the Signall he succeeded in killing all six of them put them in the bag mounted the colt and made for home a distance of 3 miles but by this time it was far in the night but being moonlight he had no trouble in keeping the path although entirely in the dense woods. the Old wolfe followed him into the barnyard at home before giving up her young howling making the woods echo with her screams. Spencer fearing every jump the Colt would make that she would alight on his back but he got safe home and on the next Day took them to New Lisbon where he got 5 Dollars bounty for each scalp. at another time when considerable older while engaged in chopping he Discovered a huge Bear crossing the Clearing and although having no arms with him Save the axe and a small whippet dog he determined it should not escape. he accordingly attacked it with his axe & Dog. the latter would snap his ham and the moment the bear would turn to fight the Dog Spencer would strike him with the axe when of course the bear would forge the Dog wheel and go for Spencer..when he would retreat backward striking with the axe and in the mientime encouraging the Dog who would again seize the bear by the ham. this Strategy was proceeding Satisfactory until spencer in his backward retreat was so unfortunate as to catch his heel against a small Sapling that happened to lie in the way falling flat on the Broad of his back. of course the Bear took advantage of the Situation and was on top of him at once opening his great mouth and exhibiting his huge teeth Directly over Spencers

face as if to crush his head at a single snap. he threw his arm up that he might take that instead of his head. while Doing so had a splendid though not very enviable view of throat Down which he did not just then Know but his mangled form might soon glide. but just at this interesting crisis his faithful Dog seized the bear by his favorite hold with renewed vigor which for the moment caused the bear to forget his almost vanquished enemy wheeled to annihilate the whippet gave Spencer the opportunity to again get to his feet. and not to be outdone in Diving by the Dog renewed the attack with the axe and finally after a fight of considerable length in which he & his dog were well nigh exhausted he succeeded in making him take to a tree. Shouting at the top of his voice was soon heard by George Burns who with his rifle soon brought him Down. he weighed over 400 Pounds. these two are only so many a number of almost equally hazardous adventures I have heard him relate.

Oct 29 Cloudy and very windy. shut up the Kiln this morning. have a good burn. Mark hauled sand all Day. I went out to Stone quarry and brot home a stone step for cellar. Took Doll and one horse wagon. got home in good time. very windy all Day.

Oct 30 Cloudy & cool. hauled in corn fodder in forenoon. In afternoon Dug Potatoes. Margaret & I attended the Funeral of Thomas Spencer. a great many was in attendance. Foot races this afternoon. quite an excitement over them. some good running.

Oct 31 Cloudy & colder with the least little bit of snow the first this fall. I took the team and Nora & I went to Jacob Farquhars and got a load of coal. Mark & Johny Dug Potatoes I loaded them into the wagon. cold all Day. have a little more than half our potatoes in the cellar. clear at 7 PM.

Nov 1 Clear & cool. Margaret & I went over to see Mother Goulbourn. she is well as can be took and returned by 2 O'clock. sat by the fire the balance of the Day. no sign of rain.

Nov 2 Clear & cold. Mark & Johny gathered up all the cider apples. I showed Ed Hise where to lay a pavement up town. spent some of the Day in town. repaired our cider barrels etc etc.

Nov 3 Clear & cool. as fine Indian Sumer as can be. are getting in the balance of our potatoes to Day. hauled the last of our Doors up to Trinity Block from Sash Factory for upstairs. cleaned up the potatoe patch. burned all the Old tops as they were Dry.

Nov 4 Clear & pleasant. Mark & Johny made 4 Barrels of excellent cider. sold one to Purdy & one to Phil Mathews. will use the other two for apple butter. collected money & paid it out again where I owed it. paying my debts as fast as possible. democrats are jubilant this morning Mass & New York having both gone Democratic. Now if they can beat the Republicans Stealing I hope they may show their hands. Alas for the poor Negro when the Government is once so unfortunate as to fall into their hands. they will haste to undo all that the Republican Party has Done for them in the last 10 years but they are

scarcely to be pitied for here in the north they vote the Democratic ticket. they will probably when it is too late find out who their friends are.

Nov 5 Cloudy & so smoky this morning you cannot see but a few feet. John Jones returned on yesterday. his smashed foot is improving some. hauled brick. Margaret boiled Down two barrels of cider. rained a little this afternoon just enough to lay the Dust. Bought Byrons & Burns Poetical works of Isaac Trescott.

Nov 6 Clear but a dense fog that soon cleared off as pleasant a Day as can be. Hiram Greiner Died at 12 O'clock last night suddenly. we all hauled brick got along first rate. Paid Hugh Martin twenty five Dollars cash on account. owe him a like sum yet. Belle is up town to night.

Nov 7 Clear & pleasant. hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon hauled in what corn is husked. I spent the afternoon in town. Uncle Silas is with us to night glad to have him come. he is all the uncle I have left. he is now nearly 78 years old. sett up and talked & cut apples until 10 O'clock.

Nov 8 Clear & pleasant. got up early fixed up our kettles. filled them with cider and started a fire under them. worked until 6 O'clock in the evening making apple butter. Ed Hise stirring one kettle & I the other. have 18 gallons of very nice apple butter. Mark assisted us all he could and buried 65 head of first rate cabbage and put 30 small ones in the cellar. Uncle took breakfast with us and chatted a couple of hours then went to call on Geo Trimble who is a particular Friend. had a fine day for our business and got it all done up complete.

Nov 9 Cloudy but soon cleared off and was very fine weather after the rain last night. Mark & I piled out brick in forenoon. in afternoon I attended the Funeral of Hiram Greiner. a great many attended. I counted 60 vehicles in the procession. I did not go out to the Cemetry as I am not right well. Mark hauled a load of Splendid Sand from Travis's.

Nov 10 Cloudy & warm. Wiley is helping us haul brick this forenoon. in afternoon hauled in fodder & cleaned out Post holes. I spent the afternoon in Town. looks a little like raining.

Nov 11 Cloudy & cold. hauled Brick in forenoon. in afternoon Mark hauled Phil Mathews a load of coal. I Done but little except to have a talk with Boon & Campbell about putting a vault in Trinity Block for a Bank. they pretend I ask for too much rent but I will not take less. got a letter from Brother William of West Liberty. glad of it.

Nov 12 Cloudy & colder. answered Williams letter. hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon Mark hauled Sand for sidewalk. I hunted up a step stone for front Doors at Trinity block. found a nice one.

Nov 13 Cloudy & cold. Mark hauled in corn in afternoon. I collected a little money. bought a country ham cost 16 per lb. Paid Belle 2 Dollars.

Nov 14 Clear & cold. ground froze where it is wet enough to freeze. hauled brick & corn. Paid John Moore ten Dollars on coal account owe him 38 cents yet. Bought John Shepherd a new hat cost 3 Dollars. bought Sugar sweet potatoes beef & spent considerable money. if were not for that I might soon get rich. looks a little like rain in evening.

Nov 15 Cloudy & pleasant. not so cold this morning. I hewed some fence posts. want to get hem sett before it storms. J F. Dickinson his Daughters Mary & Harriet Benj Hilman & Martha and Bettie Saxon visited us to Day and a glorious time we had. was sorry when they had to go home. after dark Tom Miller called out Paid me 7 40/100 Dolls he owed me for Brick. spent the evening & eat a few apples with us. he is rather a Pleasant Irishman.

Nov 16 Cloudy and moderate. Ed Hise & I went up to Damascus Station to look up the School House site they want to build. think something of making brick up there. looked around for clay Sand & found plenty of both but made no positive arrangment for either. got home about noon. Mark hauled in corn & one load of coal from Johny Moores, a load of brick etc etc.

Nov 17 Cloudy & Drizzled rain all Day but Mark & I sett 24 fence posts. the holes were dug & Dirt dry and we thought it would not do to wait for fear we would have mud to fill up with. bought 2 pairs of boots one pair of Kip & one of cloth. the former cost 5 Dollars the latter three and a half. raining at sunset.

Nov 18 Cloudy & moderate. Mark hauled Sand to Gaily. I took Nathan Folk up to Damascus Station to see the Building Site for School House. took him to 3 Different Stone quarries and brot him home by one O'clock. in afternoon Mark & I hauled a load of brick. I paid John Satterthwait 20 Dollars owe him 24 Dollars yet.

Nov 19 Cloudy & warmer. went Down to Loveron Webbs to swap Joe (our Buck) for a sow but Did not trade. hope I can yet as Joe is a nusance. Mark hauled corn & sand. I spent the Day in Town. in evening played 7 up with Mark Ed Hise & John Jones. Mr. Dottoner Mr. King & Enos Strawn took Diner with us.

Nov 20 Cloudy with a little skit of snow. Lovern Webb came over this morning and we traded. I gave him the 3 sheep for his Sow. he took the sheep & I went for the Sow. Ed Hise helped me. we put her in a nice warm shelter. Mark hauled 2 loads of Sand & one of coal the latter to Sam Gibbons. I sat around the fire all Day.

Nov 21 Cloud & cold with ground covered with snow the first of the Season. Mark & I fixed up the Barn yard. have the Cattle all in and comfortable warm place for our new Sow. calves well housed. colt also is well cared for. have plenty of warm room and

plenty to eat. corn not all in yet. Mark hauled Joe Mills 32 ¼ bu of coal.

Nov 22 Cloudy & cold. ground covered with snow. went up & heard A T Bradford deliver his Lecture on the advancement of Science & Art since 1776. it was an able well delivered Lecture. spent the Balance of the day at home as it rained about all the time. growed gradually warmer all day. at bedtime is raining faster. read Dickens until late.

Nov 23 Clear & spring like this morning having rained most of the night. at one time a heavy shower but as I write at Seven in the morning looks as tho it might dry off some. Mark & I took the Team up to the brickyard intending to haul off the Boards and pile them under the shed but Marks hip gave out and after covering a pile of soft brick to keep them dry he brot the team home and put them up. clouded up and at noon is growing colder with winds in northwest. will soon freeze up again. A Mr. Montgomery (Shoemaker) Dropped Dead at 8 O'clock this morning. afternoon went up Town. loaded 500 Brick to John Kidd. went out to Jacob Holes to look at his wood he wants me to get chopped off. nothing in it. stormed most mightily hard. wind blew so hard I was afraid to come through the woods. cold will freeze up solid enough before morning.

Nov 24 Cloudy and quite cold. collected a little money. helped David Burford put up spouting in the skylight to carry off the Drippings. cold all Day. Mark has had to sit by the fire all Day but is getting some better. bought Johny Shepherd a pair of nice gloves for a Birthday present for tomorrow he will be 17 years old.

Nov 25 Cloudy and pleasant winter weather. caught 5 of our Turkeys & took 4 of them to market. one we will make use of ourselves. spent the Day in Town Doing but little. commenced a Sewing Table for Margaret a Christmas gift. thawed a very little under favorable circumstances.

Nov 26 Clear & pleasant. Geo Fleck is painting the skylight. I am only looking on. come home to Diner while waiting on it. am amusing myself by writing. yes, yes I will come (they call). spent the afternoon in Town. Paid my December Tax $87.49 cts. glad it is Paid. thawed a little to Day.

Nov 27 Clear & warmer at sunrise. has the appearance of being a fine Day. Sow has a fine lot of Pigs this morning. Mark hauled 2 loads of Manure & 2 loads of sand. I collected a little money & paid Debts with it as far as it would go. very pleasant all Day.

Nov 28 Cloudy & Dull. five corpse on Main Street to Day a very unusual thing if indeed it ever occurred before. their names is as follows. Jane Bean wife of Israel Bean (Old residents) a Miss Armstrong Miss Anglemire & Mrs. Goss & her infant babe. hauled some brick in forenoon. in afternoon hauled in corn. some out yet. rained moderate all the afternoon. Ed Hise sold 430 brick for me & got the cash for them. spent the evening at Joels Store. very Dark as I came home and is getting colder.

Nov 29 Cloudy & cold with 2 inches of Snow this morning. stuck close to the fire all

Day. thawed a little but toward night commenced snowing and is snowing as I retire. wrote a line to School board of Goshen.

Nov 30 Cloudy & cold. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal. I sharpened X cut Saw. put window in the Coal hole up Town in Vickers cellar. Spent most of the Day in Town. Bought a Book for Mark. he is going to give it to Nora as a Birth Day present. her Mother is just completing a cloak for her as a present.

Dec 1 Cloudy. moderate winter weather with 2 or 3 inches of snow. Nora is 12 years old this morning. Mark made her a present of a very nice book and made her a present of a nice blue Cloak. she wore it to school. got Doll Shod all around. I fit up the shoes myself. in afternoon cut & hauled to mill 4 good sawlogs. want frame for shop. snow soft at sunset. look like rain. Belle is in Town this afternoon. Ed Hise helped me cut the Sawlogs.

Dec 2 Cloudy & warm. took a grist to mill & shod one of our Horses. hauled some brick. in afternoon Mark brot a load of coal. I spent the afternoon in Town most of the time at the Buckeye. thawed all day. is sloppy & clear at sunset. got a letter from Eli Elliott of Iowa.

Dec 3 Clear & warm. Mark hauled coal. I Done schores of one kind and another. cut up & salted our beef. spent considerable time in Town. commenced to grow colder toward evening and by morning may be frozen up again. took our beef out of pickle as I prefer it fresh.

Dec 4 Cloudy & cooler with ground froze some. hauled brick and Sand all Day. brot our grist home from mill. cleared off about noon and is very pleasant all the afternoon. Belle is in Town to night will be back by bedtime. caught one of our large Turkeys for John Clemen. wants it for a Sunday roast.

Dec 5 Cloudy & cool. ground froze a little will thaw some. sold some brick. Mark & Johny hauled in corn not all husked yet. raining a little at dark. played a few games of seven up with John Jones.

Dec 6 Cloudy & coolish but ground not frozen. spent the forenoon at home. in afternoon went up to Boorley Gilberts had a pleasant chat. he wrote an article for me that I want to get printed. I coppied it this evening and made some slight alterations. will show it to him in the morning and if it meets his approbation shall offer it for publication. will freeze none to night of any account. Belle is at Town to night.

Dec 7 Cloudy & a little colder. took two Turkeys up to John Deming. left my newspaper article for publication. returned Directly home and Mark & I leveled a place for the new Shop and made a foundation of small stone ready for the brick. snowed a little but melted as it fell. got the Index will now read it.

Dec 8 Cloudy and a little colder with ground covered with snow. Mark hauled in a load of corn that was husked on yesterday the last that is out. we have a crib entirely full. I commenced a new well bucket. in afternoon helped Mark haul a load of brick. thawed but very little. grows gradually colder toward night and as I write at 8 O'clock PM the wind howls furiously as tho it was getting bitter cold.

Dec 9 Cloudy and not as cold as I anticipated. Mark hauled Manure from Phil Platens. I assisted Thomas Sharp to saw frame stuff for my Shop. raw air all Day but thawed some under favorable circumstances. Margaret went to Town in afternoon. bought herself some warm under clothes. I got a long letter from Geo Hise of Iowa. they are getting along fine except that he has the Asthma. wind still howling.

Dec 10 Cloudy and pleasant winter weather. Mark & I hauled some lumber from the mill and one load of manure from Milton Smiths in forenoon. in afternoon Mark hauled Sand. I sold some turkeys in Town. called into Kennett & Amblers office and had them read the article between myself & Robt Lowry. he has forfeited his claim to the property and will now have to give it up. he has paid nothing for a year and I suppose never will & I cannot afford to let him have it any longer rent free.

Dec 11 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. hauled a load of brick. Ed Hise & John Jones built the shop foundation. Mark hauled 2 loads of manure from Town. I kept close to home after tending the Bricklayers with Brick & mortar both. am a little tired.

Dec 12 Cloudy mild pleasant winter weather. Mark & Johny hauled in all our corn fodder. got everything nicely housed now. I spent most of the day in Town. sold some of our Turkeys to be delivered for Christmas. bought 2 gallons of Molasses cost 90 cts per gallon. no news of any kind to Day that I could pick up. Tom Wilson had a Sale but I did not attend. ground froze solid.

Dec 13 Cloudy and a little warmer. framed some at my shop. attended the lecture by Mr. Pike on Darwinism. 2 of Mr. Walkers with some of their friends visited us. spent the afternoon with them. Mark went up to Pats but is back in time to feed.

Dec 14 Cloudy & cold. snowed with wind Directly north. Mark & I hauled 3 loads of brick in forenoon. in afternoon Mark hauled Sand. Margret & Belle went shopping and in their absence I wrote I wrote Eli Elliott a letter. heard at 4 O'clock that J F Dickinson was sick. went out to see him found him some better but still poorly with bad cold & cough. he will soon be 80 years old. came home 8 O'clock.

Dec 15 Cloudy & cold. Ben Castleberry butchered our hog at Sharps Mill. Sharps Sam Gibbons & Ed Hise also so that they had quite a frolic of it. I repaired our gun & Mark hauled Sand. I framed a little at the shop. settled with the Administrator of the Estate of lewis Williamson. owed me 80 cents. Settled with St. Clair Travis for Sand. paid him 2 Dollars owe him one yet.

Dec 16 Cloudy but not quite so cold. finished my well bucket. helped Mark haul one load of Brick after which he hauled sand. Ben Castleberry cut up our pork. we got the Sausage meat cut by Steam. rained a very little in afterpart of Day.

Dec 17 Cloudy and moderate. framed some at the Shop until Ed Hise came then made mortar & attended him. he is building the forge & chimney. Mark is hauling Sand to the Buckeye. will freeze a little to night.

Dec 18 Clear & cold. ground frozen sollid. Mark hauled 2 loads of sand to Buckeye. hauled one load of Carbon out from Depot for Ed Lease. I bought a Barrel for 13 ½ cts per gallon (43) Gallons. In afternoon Ed Hise laid some more brick for me. I attended him & Mark hauled us 31 ¼ bushel of Coal. sun shone but wind is very cold. thawed none of account. took 2 small Turkeys to Town. took our Small Sunfish that we have had for 3 months and put them in the Creek Down by Thomas Horners. I feared they would die and I had become so much attached to them I thought it a pity they should perish in prison so I put them where they may have aple room. they were less than one inch long so that would not need a lake as large as Superior to turn around in. this is Belles night to go to Town & she went. will have a rough walk.

Dec 19 Clear & pleasant. Mark hauled hay for Ed Hise from William Reynolds. I framed at my shop. put in the entire Day at it getting along very well. Margaret went over to see Mother Goulbourn, found her very well indeed. did not stay long. threw a note in Bank for one hundred Dollars Due in 90 Days. paid James England 73 Dollars & Mrs. Watterworth 18. Belle goes to Town to night. is going to stay all night.

Dec 20 Cloudy and snowing a little at Daylight. not very cold. thawed a little through the Day. I framed at the shop all Day. got the square up am now going to put the joice up next to save scaffolding. cooler at sunset & threatens storm.

Dec 21 Cloudy & pleasant. hauled over some joice & cleaned out the upper story at Trinity Block. sold some brick. thawed considerable is very pleasant winte. Hetty Walton & Mary Negus spent the evening with us.

Dec 22 Cloudy & warm. Drizzled rain about all Day. Mark hauled a load of coal in forenoon. in afternoon helped me about the Shop. went this evening to a Negro Minstrel show. think it Did not pay very well.

Dec 23 Cloudy & a little colder. went with Mark Down to the Coal bank to get their account straitened up that had got a little mixed. came back and worked at the shop until 2 O'clock. loaded some brick & Done some schores about Town. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal. thawed some this afternoon.

Dec 24 Clear & cold. snowed a very little last night. caught 12 of our Turkeys and took them to Town where I sold them. Kidd brot the Balance of the Shingles 6000 in all took Brick home with him. Mark hauled Sister Lizzie Wait a load of coal. Margaret is in

Town this evening I suppose looking up Christmas presents. I Done a little work at the Shop.

Dec 25 Clear & cool but soon became pleasant in the sunshine. I worked all Day framing the shop. got one half of the rafters up the balance ready to put up. had a Turkey Diner with our own family and Ed Hise. Sis (his wife) little daughter Margaret Mary Anne (eds Mother) her two sons William & Frank. we had a right pleasant Day of it. each one spent it to suit him or herself. I worked moderate all Day and never enjoyed myself better. took Down our Christmas tree after Dividing the presents. all seemed to be happy. Belle went to Town about noon has not returned as I write at 8 O'clock PM.

Dec 26 Cloudy & much warmer. Mark & Johny hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon Mark hauled a load of Slack. Johny Skated. I worked at the Shop got along fine. weather is very nice indeed. Belle is Down at Leetonia this afternoon.

Dec 27 Cloudy & warm. Ed came up and finished my chimney to Blacksmithshop. I made the mortar and attended until he finished and then weatherboarded until Dark. rained a very little most of the afternoon. Belle returned this evening without going to Leetonia. found her Mother who was going with her too Sick to go. she gave it up.

Dec 28 Cloudy warm & wet. rained slowly all Day. made window frames and nailed them in. plenty of mud. did not take the team out to day. Charles Grizell took Diner with us glad he did. he is one of our Particular friends. he is getting feeble. we are all failing myself included. I go to bed at 9 when the wind is howing some. suppose we shall soon have colder weather.

Dec 29 Cloudy & colder with one inch of snow this morning. Mark & Johny hauled some brick and Sand. I went to Town in forenoon to Do up some Schores. Subscribed for the Cincinnatti Daily Comercial of Isaac Trescott for which I paid him twelve Dolalrs. in afternoon Margaret & I attended the Funeral of Josie M. Davis Daughter of Milton Davis. she Died Suddenly was only ailing eighty hours when Death came to her relief. John Clemen & his choir Sang beautifully. the afterpart of the Day was so rough we concluded to come home and did not accompany the corpse to the Cemetery. cold at sundown. roads that were very muddy this morning is frozen solid now.

Dec 30 Cloudy & cold with a little snow. Mark & I went to the woods and cut a stick to hew for plate for shed. small Poplar that had blown down. I spent the forepart of the Day in Town. got my Boot mended where I had burned it. Brot home the Commercial and read it thoroly. quite cold to night. Joels Butchered to Day. roads solid and rough.

Dec 31 Clear & cold. hewed my stick of timber and weatherboarded at the Shop. got along fine. Mark hauled a load of stove wood for Ed Hise. Nora & Belle was over the Jont Evans this afternoon. got back at sunset. read the Commercial in evening.

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Jan 1 Cloudy & cold. spent the forepart of the Day in Town. in afternoon weatherboarded some at the shop. Sis & Ed Hise are spending the evening with us. they have little Margaret with them. Roads are rough & Sollid. got Nora a pair of new shoes cost 2.75 cts.

Jan 2 Cloudy and snowing moderately. repaired a little chain at the Buckeye for little granddaughter Margaret. left 25 Dollars with Joel McMillen to pay to Hugh Martin. owe it to him for Carpenter work. sledding tolerable good.

Jan 3 Cloudy & cool but not unpleasant out of doors. read all the newspapers I have on hand. sat by the fire & slept until afternoon when we all went Down to Sis & Eds and took Diner. came home in good time. pleasant winter. Belle is still absent as I write but came home at Dark.

Jan 4 Cloudy and cold. Mark & I hauled a couple of good Sawlogs. Bought them of Abram Painter on Aaron Antrims Old Farm. in afternoon I went to Town. Mark done nothing but see to the Stack but that he does effectually. John Jones returned this evening gives rather Discouraging accounts of the Rail Road but little to Do.

Jan 5 Cloudy & cold with a little more snow this morning. shod Charlie's hind feet. Mark hauled a load of slack. in afternoon I made a window frame for shop and put it in but is too cold to weatherboard. spent a portion of afternoon in Town. sun shone pleasant but thawed none of account.

Jan 6 Cloudy & cold. Mark hauled one load of coal from Johny Moores. I worked at the Buckeye making a small table. thawed none to Day. is quite cold. Johny Shepherds Mother is here going to stay a few Days.

Jan 7 Cloudy & cold. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal to Day. I Done some work at the Table I am making at the Buckeye. Lover Silver paid me to Day all he owed me. I Paid 5 55/100 Dollars in first National for Mr. Stint (the Thresher) what I owed him. snowed a little. roads are excellent. Daniel Kolls Daughter buried to Day.

Jan 8 Cloudy & quite cold with more snow. have excellent Sleighing now. Mark hauled Slack & coal. I repaired bob Sleds changed the lock etc etc. worked a little at the Buckeye. got a letter from Brother George announcing the Death of Debrah Batchelor Daughter of Sister Fanny. they lived in Minisota. am sad at the news but soon we shall all go the Same road.

Jan 9 Cloudy and very cold with stron wind fromnorthwest. too cold to take the team out this morning. I worked at the Buckeye all Day. Mark brot the Sled from Town. took Phil Mathews 6 bushel of apples. growed colder all Day. at 4 O'clock PM mercury is 12

Degrees below zero. our women folks are making comforts for the Beds. all will be wanted to night.

Jan 10 Clear & all fired cold but no wind. sat by the fire most of the Day. was Down to see little Margaret and hour or so. Sis & Ed spent the evening with us but did not bring her up as it is too cold. the children took a sleigh ride over to see Mother Goulbourn. found & left her well. wrote a letter to Wm.

Jan 11 Clear & cold. Mark hauled slack & coal. I worked at the Buckeye got my job nearly finished (a sewing Table for Margaret. spent this evening in writing a letter to Brother George of Iowa.

Jan 12 Cloudy with weather moderated considerable. finished Margarets table. took it to John Garwood to get it varnished. Bought a Dressed hog of John Hunt weighed 249 ½ lb cost 8 cts per lb. read the Commercial all the evening. was called on by the Sheriff to help appraise William Jennings Dwelling house & lot 4 acres of land with it. we appraised it at 6000 Dollars 2000 less than I named. think now it is appraised to low. Sold Samuel Gibbons 2 of our pigs. he paid for one will pay for the other in a few Days.

Jan 13 Cloudy & Dull. considerable warmer this morning. snow is soft. Mark & I went up & brot out the hog and cut it up. very nice one indeed. Margaret is trying out the lard as it is pleasant out of Doors. got the Sausage made and all cleaned up nicely. spent some of the afternoon in Town. colder at sunset.

Jan 14 Clear & cold. road covered with ice. cannot take the Horses out are too smooth. made myself a pair of first rate check lines. in evening went to town and got my papers. read the Presidents Message on the Louisana affair. it has the right sound. I like it much.

Jan 15 Cloudy & cold. too icy to take the team out. Settled with Joel McMillen but Did not get everything just right. will have to try it again. fine winter weather.

Jan 16 Cloudy & cold. shod our horses in forenoon. brot Margarets sewing Table out she is well pleased with it. in afternoon went to Town and lifted 50 Dollars of rent money of Vickers. paid Kidd and Richards 30 of it Ed Lease 5 and have the Balance yet. made arrangements to go to Joseph Saxons on the morrow.

Jan 17 Cloudy & cold. all hands went to Saxons Sis little Margaret Nora her Mother Mark & myself. Mark & I went over to David Stallsmiths to look at a black horse he has that will mate ours. he would do right well but it is Doubtful if I can get him. came back to Saxons and took Diner. stayed until about 5 O'clock when we started for home. Sleighing poor. found all safe when we got home.

Jan 18 Cloudy and colder with 4 inches of snow. did not go out to Day. cut my Coon Skins (that I have had several years 20 of them) preparatory to making a Robe. got several of them sewed together. is quite a task but I can Do it if I take my time to it. am

so tired and exhausted at night that I can eat no supper. go early to bed. Mark did not go out to Day. nothing pressing to Do.

Jan 19 Cloudy & cold. good sledding this morning. Mark took the children to School as usual and then brot Stephen Adams a load of coal. I feel alright again and sewed all Day at my Robe. got the skins all put together. it will be a nice and warm one. read F D Moultons testimony in the Bucher case. to me it seems conclusive as against bucher.

Jan 20 Clear & cold. soon clouded up. Mark hauled a load of coal and a load of rails. I bought a lining for our Robe. in evening we all go over to Mother Goulbourns came home at 10 O'clock warm up and got to Bed. Margaret went over this morning & spent the Day with her.

Jan 21 Cloudy & cold but seems a little milder but it may only seem so as we became used to the cold. I have just Salted the hams & shoulders that I bought a week since. Sis Hise is Doing her wash here as water is scarce with them.

Jan 22 Clear & pleasant in the Sun. weatherboarded some at the shop. Mark hauled rails from Phil Mathews. thaws some in the sunshine. spent a good part of the Day reading the evidence of F D Moulton in the Beecher & Tilton trial. it is interesting and he is a remarkable man. Charles McCain Died.

Jan 23 Clear & pleasant in the Sun. put the sheating boards on west side of shop. Did not take the team out to Day is too icy and besides we have nothing particular to haul but roads are excellent. Belle & Nora walked over to Jont Evans this afternoon.

Jan 24 Cloudy and Dull. raining a little allDay. went out to John Gordons Margaret Nora Johny Shepherd & myself. met M R Robinson & wife Joe McMillen & wife Daughter and Hettie Walton. had a pleasant visit. came home at 6 O'clock when it was getting a little colder. Charlie McCain buried to Day.

Jan 25 Clear & cold. sun shone all Day but thawed none. roads a glib of ice. I worked at the Buckeye making patterns for Brick press. Mark is unwell but has nothing to Do except take care of the Stock.

Jan 26 Clear & cold. went to the Buckeye for the purpose of working at my Brick press but picked up the Cincinnati Commercial and read F D Moltons testimony in the Tilton & Beecher Suit and it occupied the whole Day.

Jan 27 Cloudy & cold. went to Damascus with Mark in the Sleigh. settled with Mr Dottson. he paid me ten Dollars and the balance I Dealt out in dry goods six Dollars and seventy cents. called on my old friend John Stanley and his Lady like wife. I think her a very good woman. we soon got in conversation & finally drifted into theology. of course we differed Materially but I think I was benefited by the Discussion and she perhaps enlightened in some respects if she reflects on what was said. took Diner spent the

afternoon until 3 O'clock when I left for home. I think we parted better Friends if possible than ever. Paid Milton Taylor 4 Doll I had owed him for sometime. rained most of the afternoon moderately and at 5 O'clock snowed fast but soon turned to rain again. brot Belle out in the Carriage as it was too wet for her to walk out. Nora is some amiss to Day with a cold I suppose. Delivered a letter to Lizzie Wait sent in my care by Somebody ____.

Jan 28 Cloudy & warmer. thawing slowly all Day but at sunset the wind was hauled around into the northwest and threatens colder. Done but little to Day except to cut out a couple of Bracket patterns at the buckeye. Mark & Ed took Betty out to Wm Dunns. brot her back with them. read the Balance of F D Moultons testimony.

Jan 29 Cloudy & cold. nothing but ice to be seen this morning. worked all Day at the Buckeye making Brackets. thawed none roads good. snowing some at 5 O'clock PM.

Jan 30 Cloudy with weather just the Same. shod Dolly this morning. in afternoon Done what I decently could to induce the people to vote for Brother Jesse for the Office of Post Master but failed to secure the requisite number. there was four candidates (viz) John Clemens (present incumbent) Connely Townsend Jesse S Hise & Edgar Vickers. Townsend is elected by 14 votes over Clemens they being the two highest in the tally sheet.

Jan 31 Cloudy & cold. Margaret & Nora visited at Jonathan Evans. I went on Down to see Joshua Davis. spent a good portion of the Day with him & then returned to Evans and remained until about sunset when we came home in a hurry as the Sleighing is excellent.

Feb 1 Clear & cold. worked at the Buckeye a part of the Day. spent he balance of the Day in reading testimony as usual in the everlasting case of Tilton & Beecher. sleighing is good as can be.

Feb 2 Clear & pleasant in the Sunshine. thawed some. groundhog saw his Shaddow if he ventured out. I worked at the buckeye most of the Day. Mark was out to Pats to Day. nothing special to record.

Feb 3 Clear & warmer. worked at the Buckeye. still at my Bracketts. think I Did not loose one half minute from work to Day. thawed considerable in middle of Day but at Dark is freezing with strong wind from west. will be cold to night. rails laid in H____ Tunell.

Feb 4 Cloudy cold and very windy. at the buckeye again to Day. can do naught else. is too cold for any kind of out Door work. James Wilson Burried to Day. Sis is up Says their Cistern is full of pure water. wind is howling as I write.

Feb 5 Clear & cold all Day but little to be seen out of Doors except ice. Mark hauled Sister Lil 2 loads of coal. I worked at the Bracketts. have an intolerable cold and as usual

am ignorant of how or when I got it. read Tiltons testimony until late.

Feb 6 Cloudy & cold. have to cough most of the time. could not sleep well last night in consequence. finished up the bracket business to Day. put the Silver ferrel on T E Vickers cane and came home before night. Sister Lizzie and her children are with us to night. cold is some better. roads as smooth & solid as a rack.

Feb 7 Cloudy & very cold. slept well last night. Spent the Day at Home except a short visit Down to Sis's to see little Margaret. very cold all Day.

Feb 8 Cloudy & cold. worked at the Buckeye making a pattern for Blacksmith ____. had some conversation with T C Boone about the Post Office as they are to have another Election (the other one being set aside on account of fraud) in which I maintained that the only way to prevent Conly Townsend from being Post Master was to Drop Clemens & run Brother Jesse but it is doubtful if they Do that.

Feb 9 Cloudy and very cold. Murcery Down to eighteen Degrees below Zero. Mark & I hauled two loads of Brick to Galvanized iron works and intended to have hauled all Day but found it too cold. could not stand it. Mark had his nose slightly frozen as it was. spent a little time talking Post Office but to little effect. the Clemens men seem Determined to butt their Brains out against Jesse Hise. no warmer of any account at sunset. read the Commercial until late.

Feb 10 Clear & about as cold as ever this morning with Mercury 6 Degrees below Zero. finished my brackets & brot them home. they give good satisfaction. spent the afternoon in Town. Peter Fisher Died last night very sudden. moderated considerable and feels like it would snow before morning. roads smooth & Dusty in places.

Feb 11 Clear & cold with 4 inches of snow this morning. hauled 2 loads of brick on the sled runs well. sett by the fire in afternoon. too cold to thaw although the sun shone all Day. abominable cold am tired of it. some thief Stole corn out of Geo Trimbles crib last night. he tracked them to Lisbon Street and there lost them. we keep ours well locked.

Feb 12 Clear & very windy and cold. Mark & I hauled one load of brick. in afternoon worked at the Buckeye. thawed none to Day. Bought Margaret & myself each an easy chair made almost entirely of cane and Bamboo. they are ornamental as well as very Durable comfortable etc etc. cost twelve Dollars the two.

Feb 13 Clear & cold. sleighing excellent. hauled one load of Brick. read the Commercial. went up town & voted for John Clemen for Post Master with little or no hopes of his being elected. came home again & Sat by the fire preferring that to wrangling about the Post Office as either of the candidates are good enough. sat up late to hear the result but it came not and tired of waiting I Slept.

Feb 14 Clear & cold. the first news that greeted my ear this morning was that Clemen

was Defeated by ten votes a result that was prepared to hear. Mark went up to Pats to Day. took Doll & the Sleigh. Belle went to Town last evening. Margaret & I are alone at 3 O'clock PM folks all absent some one place & some another but none of them here as I write.

Feb 15 Clear & very cold Mercury 16 Degrees below Zero and remained below all Day. hauled one load of Brick & froze one of my fingers in the operation. sat by the fire most of the Day at the Buckeye & at home. engaged Charlie Wickline to butcher a beef for us.

Feb 16 Clear & very cold yet. Mercury 7 Degrees below Zero. hauled one load of brick. sat at home the balance of the Day. Charlie butchered our beef this afternoon. sold Phil Mathews 72 lb of it. thawed a very little to Day. 18 years since we moved here.

Feb 17 Clear & cold moderated at Daylight & cloudy but soon cleared off and turned much colder again. hauled one load of brick which finished the job. Sleighing still good.

Feb 18 Clear & cold. spent the Day in Town Doing but little. thawed some but is still cold enough. Margaret visited Mrs. Walker. the afternoon I spent at home was some unwell. Mark brot Margaret back in good time.

Feb 19 Cloudy & warmer. snowed most of the Day. went up to the Buckeye & finished my twin patterns and came home by ½ past 2 O'clock. Mark hitched Jont to the cutter & he & I went Down to Jacob Brinkers. he had a severe attack of pneumonia but is now getting better. sleighing is excellent. helped Jack haul a large Saw log. Belle & Johny are at the Division to night.

Feb 20 Clear & pleasanter this morning. seems as though our coldest weather is over for this winter. put most of the Day in at the Buckeye at Brackett making. engaged one hundred bushels of coal of John Moore. want to haul it now while the roads are good. read the Tilton Beecher trail until late. aunty Campbell Died.

Feb 21 Clear & moderate this morning. must thaw some to Day from appearances at 10 O'clock as I write. Nora & Belle have gone over to Jont Evans. John Shepherd has gone Sleighing I suppose to gratify himself. on perchance he may have some female companion in the ride which I more than suspect is the case. he is however back in good season. went over in evening & brot Belle & Nora home. I spent the Day in reading. accidently among other things I got hold of Owen Browns account of his escape from Harpers Ferry at the time of his Fathers attack on that celebrated place. what hardships he and his comrades endured before getting to a place of Safety. I shall preserve this account.

Feb 22 Clear & warm. Snow melted very fast to Day. I worked at the Buckeye. Mark hauled a load fodder for Ed Hise & a load of coal for ourselves. waters high & roads sloppy. bought 7 lb shingle nails.

Feb 23 Cloudy & warm. Ed Hise & I shingled west side of my new shop. Mark is unwell

but has gone for a load of coal this afternoon. thawing fast. lots of evidence to read to Day.

Feb 24 Cloudy & warm. made new pump box & handle spear etc etc. fixed up a pump for Ed Hises Cistern. Sold one thousand Brick. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal. roads are getting bad. looks a little like rain at times.

Feb 25 Cloudy but a little colder this morning. finished Ed's pump. Mark & I hauled a couple of loads of Brick. the roads are getting very bad. commenced snowing about noon and at Dark is two inches Deep and much colder. looks dreary out of doors again.

Feb 26 Cloudy cold and snowy. mended our curry comb and worked at Brackets at the Buckeye. roads bad but we keep our horses in the Barn. write a letter this evening to D M Barnett of New York.

Feb 27 Cloudy & cold. in the Brackett business yet. weather too rough to Do anything at my shop. roads rough and weather cold with 2 inches of Snow. sent a letter to D M Bennett New York.

Feb 28 Clear & cold. was scarcely out of the house all Day. Made a Brackett pattern a very nice one. Ed & Sis came up & brot little Margaret of which I am very glad. she is so sweet & interesting to me, she grows finely. thawed none of account.

Mar 1 Cloudy cold and snowing fast as I write at 6 O'clock in the morning. Made a Brackett to Day. Mark hauled a load of coal. roads are good. learned this morning that Benjamin Hawley Died on yesterday. he was among the Oldest of our citizens. on the Organization of Perry Township he was chosen Clerk and served in that capacity for a number of years. he added about Sixty five Acres to the Incorporate limits of Salem by numerous additions of lots at various times. was a genius in many ways and filled the measure of his years (almost Eighty five). Paid Carn Teacher & Co 6 17/100 Doll all I owed them on book acct.

Mar 2 Cloudy & cold all Day. Done but little work to Day. Mark hauled John Barkus 25 bu of coal. in afternoon I attended the Sale of Horses at Aaron Wilsons but Bought none some I thought sold low and others brot a good price. thawed a very little to Day. Geo Fleck is making our mantles 3 of them.

Mar 3 Cloudy cold and windy. snowed most of the day. at times blew a gale. attended the Funeral of Benjamin Hawley was one of the Pall bearers. quite as many were there as could be expected under the circumstances. the weather was very rough indeed. Margaret & I by special invitation spent the evening & took Supper with Mr. & Mrs. Chessman at their home. had a very pleasant time indeed. snow Deep for Margaret to wade home through but she by dint of perserverence made it. Mark was absent at his Brothers Sale but returned in time to do his feeding.

Mar 4 Cloudy & cold. after breakfast Mark & I took the team up to Town and hauled Coppocks Monument up to the Cemetery. 3 pieces of it all large. the heaviest one weighing 4700 pounds but two horses hauled it on the Stone boat. in afternoon I made a bracket pattern and got desperately tired. is hard work cutting them out. thawed but very little and snowed more toward evening.

Mar 5 Cloudy & cold. made another Brackett to Day. can do but little else. thawed considerable and the roads are sloppy. Belle is up town this evening. Samuel Gibbons paid me 2 Dollars he owed me for a Pig. glad to get it as money is very scarce just now.

Mar 6 Cloudy & raw. hauled Brick to Day. thawed a very little. roads are good. I worked a short part of the afternoon at the Buckeye. cannot loaf around. read testimony in evening. George White an Old Quaker Died at the County Infirmary whither he had been induced to go as he had no connections that could attend to his wants. he is brot to Salem for Burial.

Mar 7 Cloudy & colder. everything out of Doors is a glib of ice this morning. made a Brackett pattern for amusement. Johny & Nora went visiting out to John Gordons. were perfectly delighted with their entertainment. Maggie Gee Sis Hise her Baby & Ed are with us all Day. the 3 former stays all night as the Snow is so deep and winds blows so hard they cannot safely take baby out. more snow than we have had this winter at once.

Mar 8 Cloudy & cold with about 6 inches of snow. no morning has looked more like midwinter than this one. Belle is absent having gone to town on yesterday and snow is so Deep she cannot walk out. Mark will take the children to School and bring her out. Baby slept poorly last night. strange place or something else the matter. first time she ever slept at “grandpapas”.

Mar 9 Cloudy & cold. sledding pretty good this morning. Mark took the children to school. I went with them to the Buckeye. making a couple of small Spice Boxes, one for Margaret & 1 for Sis. finished the Brackett business yesterday. made 10 altogether. thaws some but still have plenty of Snow. Mark hung up our meat to smoke but will bring it in every night lest it gets stolen. Marks year is up to Day but he will stay on.

Mar 10 Cloudy with good sledding this morning. Mark took me to the buckeye and the children to school after which he hauled a couple of loads of manure from Milton Smiths. I finished my spice boxes & brot them home. Margret thinks them very nice. thawed a little roads are excellent for wagoning yet.

Mar 11 Cloudy and moderate. froze some last night. was awakened at 4 O’clock AM by the fire bell in Town and soon after saw the light. dressed as soon as possible and started to Town found the Gurney block on fire with the Engines pouring water tremendously but to less purpose than I had hoped owing to the fact that the attic was not divided as it should have been but allowed the fire to spread all over the under side of the Tin roof with no chance to get at it with the hose. the consequence was the upper stories were ruined

by fire and water combined while the lower stories were much injured by water. Carr & Teshers Hardware had all to be removed Schillings dry goods also. in fact the building was completely gutted. repairs commenced by Twing before the fire was out. he was telegraphed to at Wooster and came home.

Mar 12 Cloudy and moderate. froze some alst night. Mark & Johny hauled brick. I done some schores about town. Margaret bought 22 yards of rag carpet of the Babtist women. I paid for it out of what they owe me for brick furnished for the House. roads are muddy very. Josephine Walker is here to night.

Mar 13 Cloudy muddy. Mark & Johny hauled brick all Day. I bought a couple of coal buckets what we have needed fore some time. Josephine Walker is with us going to stay all night. Paid John Moore 2 Dollars for coal.

Mar 14 Cloudy & warm. put up a grape arbor at the South end of wood house. Uncle Silas visited us to Day. rained a little thundered considerable. 2 fires in town but not both the work of Incindiaries.

Mar 15 Cloudy with a little rain. Mark hauled hay for Phil Mathews from John Gordons. I worked at Iron Door for front stair way of Trinity Block to keep the fellows from running up at night. roads are as bad as can be now.

Mar 16 Cloudy & cold. ground froze this morning making wagoning about impossible. I worked some at the Iron Door but is too cold and unpleasant to Do much. Mark split Oven wood.

Mar 17 Cloudy & colder with one inch of snow. is too cold to work out. was up town in forenoon but in afternoon I stayed at home. slept a part of the time as I am not right well. blowed and snowed is very uncomfortable out of Doors. framed the pictures of Henry C Wright and Lucretia Mott two Old Anti Slavery Friends. the latter I believe “still lives”.

Mar 18 Cloudy & cold. very rough weather. repaired harness to Day. in afternoon brought out paper for Sitting room. thawed none of account. cold all Day.

Mar 19 Cloudy cold and stormy. papering our sitting room to Day. Ed Hise assists us. Sis & “little pet” is here. Mark hauled Lizzie Wait a load of coal. snowed considerable is real winter. ground froze solid.

Mar 20 Cloudy and a little warmer. rained and froze as it fell. attend Deans Sale on the old Ingram farm. bought a sett of single harness & a Horse. the latter I had to pay for 185 Dollars. he was known by the neighbors to be a good one. they bid up spunky. brot him home.

Mar 21 Clear and cold. sun shone bright all Day but thawed very little. had visitors to Day Em Wilson her sister Lu & her husband and son Sis Hise and several others. we got

along very pleasantly. hung up some of our Pictures & Bracketts in our newly papered room.

Mar 22 Clear & cold all Day. hitched up our Black team. Drove them up Town where I shod them. in afternoon Mark & I hauled brick. brot our grist home that we had taken to mill this morning. thawed some where the sun shone but in the Shade froze all Day. wind in north and very cold.

Mar 23 Clear and pleasant at sunrise. will be certain to thaw to Day. I spent a portion of the Day in Town. bought paper for Dining room. had a talk with Richard Brightwell. he is going to Iowa. gave him a line to Brother William.

Mar 24 Cloudy and moderated a little. put a shoe on John. Mark hauled Manure from town. hauled a couple of loads on yesterday. I helped Margaret paper the Dining room. Did not quite finish it. Settled with Robt Trimble. he owed and paid me 3 63/100 Doll. glad to get it money scarce. snowed some about 5 O'clock PM and is much colder.

Mar 25 Cloudy with ground froze but thawed some. finished papering our Dining room. Charles Getts came in to Measure the wood he hauled for me. after taking Diner with us he & I went to Brickyard and measured it. one hundred and thirteen cords at 2 25/100 per cord amouinting to 254 25/100 Doll which amount I am to pay him when I get the wood burned. Ed Hise went and brot the Old carriage home that I bought at the Sale a few Days since.

Mar 26 Cloudy warmer & wet. raining all the forenoon. it just as well as far as I am concerned. I had intended to help Mark haul brick but am too unwell having a terrible cold in my head & causes my jaws & teeth to ache so we all spent the Day at home. Mark took Carriage after Nora. Belle went with to town is going to stay a week. we shall miss her she is so laughy.

Mar 27 Clear & warmer but the air is still cold. Mark & Johny hauled Brick to Paschall Seeds in forenoon. in afternoon brot Ed Hise's cookstove out. hauled my Iron Doors from Depot stored them in Jesses Shop. must now try and put them up. my tooth ache some yet. I Done but little to Day. bought a can of Oysters of Joseph Castleberry cost 70 cents. they were ready paid for.

Mar 28 Clear and bright out this morning. Sugar water will evidently run to Day. have oysters to Day. Ed & Sis are with us with little pet of course.

Mar 29 Clear & warm. face is still very Sore. Ed is setting grates for me in Trinity block. I do but little tooth is too sore to eat. Mark Dug around one of our cedar trees want to move it. hauled a few brick. mud drying up very fast.

Mar 30 Clear & warm. Ed finished the grates and then went to John Kidd's to build a Stack. Mark Johny & I removed the cedar tree made a good job of it. I worked a little at

the shop but am not well enough to Do much. mud about Dried up.

Mar 31 Clear & warm. very pleasant indeed all Day. Johny & I worked at Trinity block putting up Iron Door. Mark went up to his brother Pats. is going to help him move on the morrow. March goes out as lamb like as could be wished.

Apr 1 Cloudy & feels like rain. brot 3 of our Turkeys home from Thomas Sharps where they had strolled to since Sunday last. Johny & I put the rafters on east side of Shop and laid considerable of the floor overhead. I collected some money for Edwin Coppocks Monument. paid 25 Dollars over to William Hinchcliff for the Same. rained a little through the Day and a 7 O'clock PM quite a shower. Samuel Smith who was once Sheriff of Mahoning Co was buried here to Day. Died at East Liberty A Co Penn.

Apr 2 Cloudy & wet. rained most of the night but at 5 O'clock this morning commenced snowing and continued all Day. had visitors to Day of whom we were especially proud (viz) Maj John Clemen and wife. the latter has not saw us for the last 12 years. Old and Dear Anti Slavery friends of the Old Garrison School. they go to Brainards to night. they are on their way to Chicago where the expect to settle their children being all there. Mark returned.

Apr 3 Cloudy & cool. froze the ground some last night. Mark took Phil Mathews 3 bushel of apples & 12 head of cabbage. I collected some money and paid it out where I was owing it. cleared off and is pleasant at noon as I write. Bought myself a snug little hand axe for 60 cents cheap enough. James Brown another of our Old Citizens Died this morning. spent the afternoon in Town. went with James Doud through the Galvanized Iron works. he was much pleased with what he Saw.

Apr 4 Clear & bright at sunrise. worked at my shop most of the Day. got the work bench up & tools to their places so that now I can work a little. spent the entire Day at home.

Apr 5 Clear at sunrise. clouded up and wind is cool but toward noon cleared off and is very pleasant. Mark hauled a small load of stone up to Trinity Block and 3 loads of trash in the Shape of waster lumber home. Johny & I worked at the Shop. got it ready to shingle. Charlie Sheets of West Liberty Iowa is here with us arrived at noon to Day. James Brown buried.

Apr 6 Clear warm & pleasant. Done some schores up Town. in afternoon helped Geo Fleck put up the mantles (3 of them) in Trinity Block. Mark carted manure. Margaret & Charlie Sheets visit at Mother Goulbourns.

Apr 7 Clear & warm. Mark hauled Manure from Town. I spent the forenoon in Town. in afternoon I shingled at the Shop. very pleasant indeed.

Apr 8 Clear & warm all Day. Mark hauled and spread manure. I Done some work up

Town in forenoon. in afternoon shingled some at the Shop. sold John Wetmore some brick and lent him a longer rope.

Apr 9 Clear & warm. started to plow this morning. Samuel Gibbons run one of them. I worked up Town. bought 25 bushels of Seed Oats of Buckeye Co. cost 60 cents per bushel. looks some like rain at sunset.

Apr 10 Cloudy. bought 25 bu Oats cost. sowed one field. put step in front of Vickers store. shingled some. no sign of rain. cleaned cellar up Town. Clear & very pleasant. Mark & Samule worked at the Oats sowing. go all sowed that is plowed. Johny & I hauled brick. I paid Elizabeth England 50 Dollars interest money owe her 30 yet. called in to see Harriet Arner she is poorly. I very much fear she is going into Consumption. her mother Died of it. Sat up late and read the papers.

Apr 11 Cloudy & threatens rain. shingled at the shop. got along very well. Mark & I went to the woods and brot home a mountain ash & sett it out. one that I accidently came across last summer. brot a very nice yellow poplar & a read Oak also. raining as I write at 7 O'clock PM. bought one quart of onion setts of Isiah Bane cost 20 cents.

Apr 12 Cloudy & wet this morning. hitched Charlie to the Buggy. went Down to R Road Bridge and got 2 very nice crab apple trees one for ourselves and one for Lydia Sharp. sett it out for her in the place she pointed out to me. Mark & I hauled one load of brick & he hauled 2 loads of Manure. Baptist paid me 8 77/100 Doll owe me 25 yet. no rain to Day. bought Margaret a very nice little hoe.

Apr 13 Cloudy & wet. rained and snowed about all Day. at sunset the ground is white having become cold enough to prevent it melting. Mark plowed some sod but soon got too wet. I worked at my got Dormar windows in.

Apr 14 Cloudy with snow all gone this morning. Mark Plowed Sod ground. I worked the Shop. got the Dormar windows about Done and roof pretty nearly on. ½ Day more will finish it. grass is growing some.

Apr 15 Cloudy & some cooler. I righted up the Back end of lot in rear of Trinity Block. Mark Plowed sod. cold wind from Southwest in afternoon. nothing special to record to Day.

Apr 16 Cloudy raw & cold with ground covered with Snow. Mark hauled a load of coal for Sam Gibbons. I ripped out stuff for Brickmolds in forenoon. in afternoon Mark & I hauled one load of Brick. stormed and snowed as hard at times as I ever saw it and as I write at 6 O'clock PM is blowing a gale from northwest and snowing so fast you cannot see a road. will freeze to night.

Apr 17 Cloudy & cold with an inch of snow. froze very hard last night ice ½ inch thick on the cook stove this morning. 21 years since we had 8 inches of snow on the 16th

(yesterday) but it was not so cold. but little chance for fruit this year. still it may not all be killed as the buds are not very forward. Mark hauled Sis Wait a load of coal. Stormed as hard as I ever saw it several times to Day. in fact it snowed about all the time and at times as hard as it well could. James Whinney called in and I Paid him what I owed him 9 30/100 Doll. Harry Coy is here to night.

Apr 18 Cloudy & cold. has all the appearances of midwinter out of doors. wind in northwest & blowing cold. whistles among the trees and around the corners of the house like the month of January. expect company but am fearful the weather is too rough for them to venture out. our company came or at least a part of it. Marius & Emily Robinson Joel & Sarah and Mrs. Bently (Jack's Sister) were here but John Gordon & Harriet Arner failed to get here but taking the weather into consideration they are excusable.

Apr 19 Cloudy & cold with a little snow. moderated so that Mark plowed Sod in afternoon & I finished shingling my shop. in forenoon I walked out to Elizabeth M Englands paid her 30 Dollars interest money. called in to see Harriet Arner on my way home. she is feeling much better. brot some slips of plants for Margaret. Baptist Church paid me the last of the money they owed me for Brick. it has been a long time coming but I never needed it worse than now.

Apr 20 Clear & cold with 2 inches of Snow this morning. worked a little while in the shop but found it too cold. spent most of the Day by the fire. snow is about all gone at 4 O'clock PM but I scarce can account for its disappearance as it is still cold with fresh wind from northwest.

Apr 21 Clear & cold all Day. plenty of snow in places yet. in fact is freezing all Day in the Shade. Mark & I repaired the Horse Stalls & put in the Dormar windows at the barn. Done considerable work at the shop. will have it ready for work some of these Days. will freeze hard to night. sold our Gobbler. bought Margaret a small axe.

Apr 22 Clear & cold but soon clouded up and remained cold all Day. Done but little work of any Kind to Day. Geo Wiley paid me 16 Dollars on acct. left a receipt for it at Joel Millens where he is to call for it. tore the Old Carriage to pieces that I bought for 5 Dollars at Deans Sale. it is not worth much more sure.

Apr 23 Clear & pleasant looking out this morning but ground is froze hard. the sun shone so pleasant most of the Day that we worked out of Doors. took the Team & brot from town our castings for furnace glass putty & leather for Bellows. went right to work. took off the old and put on the new. Mark plowed in afternoon. heavy cloud hanging in the west at sundown.

Apr 24 Cloudy & snowing like midwinter at 5 O'clock. had fully expected to pave cellar at Trinity Block to Day but cannot. missed Comadore (little Dog) after coming to bed. he has evidently followed some one off which is something new for him. must hunt him up as Nora will go crazy. on going out found him at home covered up on Noras bed

where Margaret is hunting for him. overlooked his hiding place. Do nothing but sit by the fire to Day. Did not put on my boots until one O'clock. snowed considerable through the Day but mostly melted off except on north side of houses. Belle is absent to Day having gone up Town last evening and got storm staid.

Apr 25 Clear & pleasant. warm all Day. thawed in the Shade. finished leathering my bellows and glazed and fit in all my shop windows. was very busy all Day. Uncle Silas called out and spent an hour with us. Mark Drove Doll out to Pats. got back in good time. Johnys Mother called out a short time. Jesse Hises wife also. Pleasant Day to walk out but I feel better at work than at anything else.

Apr 26 Clear & pleasant. got up early. repaired our windows. Mark & Sam plowing for Oats. I work at the celler under Trinity Block. very fine at noon as I write. Paid Belle one Dollar to pay for a Magazine & ____.

Apr 27 Clear & warmer. piled Sand before breakfast. paved at the cellar Done 56 yards Mark & Sam putting in the Oats. John Marshall put Down a cellar steps. still find something to Do at Trinity Block.

Apr 28 Clear & pleasant. transplanted a couple of quince trees before breakfast. paved at the cellar all Day got it about two thirds Done. Mark & Sam finished sowing Oats. wish it would rain now and start the grass. bought a ten pound fish dressed and salted Down for breakfast cost one Dollar.

Apr 29 Cloudy with wind in Southwest. looks some like rain. would like to have a shower. Mark & I hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon Mark is hauling Manure. I spaded up the ground which is in prime condition and sett out some Onions. Sam Gabler is at work at the Brickyard getting it ready to make brick. spent a short time in Town. rained a very little and wind blew hard. blew Down the chimney of Jeff Waltons printing office broke 7 rafters. Ed Hise is going to rebuild it. wind is still blowing hard at 8 O'clock.

Apr 30 Clear & cooler. got up early laid floor overhead in Blacksmith Shop before breakfast. Mark & I hauled brick all Day to Silver & Deming. windy & cold all Day.

May 1 Cloudy cold & raw. rained cold rain from Southeast until about noon when it ceased. in afternoon we hauled brick to Silver & Deming with 2 teams. rained at about Six O'clock PM. fitted up my Blacksmith fire in forenoon & Done the first Blacksmithing in new Shop. Bellows blows complete am much pleased with them. Belle is absent this afternoon.

May 2 Cloudy & cool all Day. worked at the Shop fixing up the tools etc. cut out segments for Sash in Bulleye windows in attic at Trinity Block. put shelves in clothes press in our Bed room. Margaret papered it and it is now snug enough. Belle is at home here to night. Sat up last night with Miss Marshall who is still very low with no prospect

of recovery.

May 3 Cloudy & cool. Mark & went to Town. got some fence boards a Barrel of Salt fence nails etc. Mark tore down the Old fence & I put the boards on the Posts that he & I sett last fall. in afternoon Mark hauled Manure. Denis Lyons came Down and got 2 bushel of potatoes & 500 Brick on Marks acct.

May 4 Cloudy & cool. frost as usual. nailed a few boards on front fence and sett out 5 sugar trees along the road in place of some that had got Destroyed. worked some at my brick molds & ironed well bucket put it on the chain. Mark hauled one load of manure and in afternoon plowed Sod. cool all Day.

May 5 Cloudy & cool. got up and went to woods and Dug up a small sugar tree. brot it and sett it out along the road making the row complete. Stephen Adams & Henry Venable ____ the Brickyard and got it ready to lay brick on. Mark plowed in forenoon. in afternoon hauled Sand and brick. threatens rain.

May 6 Cloudy & cold. repaired my cart. shoed Jont. hauled 2 loads of Brick in forenoon. in afternoon Mark finished plowing our corn ground. I put my brick molds together. Westley Cool buried to Day. cold all Day. wind in northwest. nothing can grow while it remains so cold. Made no brick yet.

May 7 Cloudy & cool most of the Day. Mark & I made a hot lane from pen to Orchard. made a good job of it. Mark repaired fence in afternoon. I Done but little in afternoon. expect to read Testimoney in the Beccher Tilton trial. Bowen is on the Stand now and is Damaging Beecher unmercifully. thundered at sunset but no rain of account.

May 8 Clear & warmer this morning. Mark hauled one load of brick after which he plowed and planted our early Potatoes. very warm and pleasant. Johny & I paved cellar used up what Brick we had there. made a new share for my Monitor plow. took our Brick Mold up to Brickyard & put them to Task. want to commence making Brick Monday Morning next. Bought ½ Dozen buckets of Snider & Gleckler. threatens rain at sundown. Geo Johnson of Philadelphia called out at noon & spent an hour with us.

May 9 Cloudy & wet. rained considerable last night and Drizzled for some time this morning. went over to Jont Evans and brot a ham that I had bought. weighed 24 ½ lb cost 13 cents per lb. Paid him five Dollars. John Gordon paid us a visit glad he Did. he is one of our particular friends. Geo Johnson came out again this afternoon but could not stay all night. wants to take the early train west in the morning. warm all Day.

May 10 Cloudy & wet. hauled 2 loads of Brick before noon. in afternoon Mark cleared out the cellar rotten apples rotten Potatoes etc. I worked in shop putting up Drill apparatus. rained and hailed hard toward evening about 4 O'clock PM but at sundown is warm. John Jacksons Grocery together with Isaac Crumrines Carriage Shop was burned last night. was sett on fire without Doubt and about the time it was subdued William

Wests large block on the Corner of Ellsworth & Main street was discovered to be on fire, fired undoubtedly by the Same person. fortunately the supposed incendiary was seen running from Wests and it proved to be Ellec Hunt. he was arrested & bound over to Court in the Sum of 3000 Dollars. I now suppose he is in miscreant that has done all the Mischief by firing Buildings inSalem the last 2 years. has cost many thousands of Dollars. I hope he is really guilty that he may be kept where he will have enough else to Do and that will be less loss to community.

May 11 Cloudy & wet. Dryed off so that our hand made a few brick for the first this Spring. Mark & I hauled Brick rained a little in afternoon and at Sunsett threatens more.

May 12 Cloudy cold & wet. stormed hard last night. wind blew hard and rained considerable. Mark plowed sod ground for Ed Hise. I worked in shop making wood work for Ed Hises wagon. too wet to make brick. wind blew cold all Day.

May 13 Clear & pleasant. Mark is harrowing corn ground. I spent he Day at the Brickyard. made 3500 brick. I hauled 900 to Thomas Wilson for a cistern. looks a little rain at sunset.

May 14 Cloudy & partially clear at intervals. made 3500 brick. Mark hauled Sand in forenoon. in afternoon plowed a part of the Garden and harrowed corn ground. I worked at the brickyard. rained very unexpectedly at ½ past 5 caught our brick in rather a bad shape . must watch the weather closer after this. Belle is absent to night.

May 15 Cloudy & cold all Day. Johny & I worked at the Brickyard. Mark made fence & hauled Ed Hise a load of coal. Margaret was over to see Mother Goulbourn. she is well will soon be 88 years old. Ellec Hunt is before the grand jury to Day. have not heard the result as I write at 9 PM.

May 16 Clear & cold northwest wind. Mark & I took Charlie back out north of green to see a horse that I thought would mate him but he is too small. came home by Hays mill. got back by 11 O'clock. Sat by the fire most of the day cold wind all the while. wrote a letter to Joseph Ball of Iowa. going to send it by Joseph Fawcett who is going out in a few Days.

May 17 Clear & cool. all hands making brick to Day. I am righting up the shed ready to sett them under. Mark hauls sand and rails. pleasant at noon as I write. in afternoon I laid foundation of wall in which to burn brick. looks some like rain at 6 O'clock but concluded to risk the Brick without covering.

May 18 Clear & cool considerable frost this morning. got the ground ready & Margaret planted our Lima Beans. I worked all Day by the wall. hired a man to assist me. got along well. Mark is marking out corn ground. rained from northeast and blowed a very cold wind from the Same quarter. made 4000 brick to Day. sold some brick would like to sell more.

May 19 Clear & cool at sunrise with very heavy Dew. went over to Jony Evans and brot another ham weight 26 lb. Mark marked out corn ground and commenced planting at noon. I worked all day at the wall. made 4000 brick. threatens rain but none fell.

May 20 Clear & very pleasant all Day. finished planting corn by 3 O'clock PM. I worked at the wall got along slow by myself but it progressing some. saw and shook hands with Abbie Whinney she was about leaving for Boston. she looks first rate. S Gibbons gave out offbearing this afternoon I knew he would. he tried his best "the Spirit is willing but the flesh is weak".

May 21 Cloudy & threatens rain all Day but none fell. got out 4000 Brick all in that is dry enough. I Done a little at the wall. sold out some brick and still have a few to sell. Mark plowed out Potatoe patch. rained a little at Dark.

May 22 Cloudy warm & pleasant all Day. made 4000 brick. Sold some brick. Mark hauled Gibbons a load of coal. in afternoon we repaired the Bridge at the Brickyard. threatened rain but none fell. got out a full weeks work.

May 23 Clear & cloudy at intervals. fine breeze which makes it very pleasant. Nora is up at Mrs. Walkers leaves Margaret & I entirely alone. Mark has gone up to Pats. Belle left Friday afternoon to go to Mahoning professedly to fish and has not returned yet at 1 O'clock as I write. shod Dolly this morning. Charles Grizell called in and chatted a short time. Belle returned about 6 O'clock & Mark a little later. no rain yet.

May 24 Cloudy sultry and warm. repaired wagon before breakfast. feel rather old this morning. I omitted to say in the proper place that in raking up and burning trash in backyard I lost my Spectacles with the case. knew nothing of it until I discovered them in the fire. of course they were spoiled. the spectacles I cared but little for but the case I prized because it was given to me by Lue Yardell who has now been Dead some over two years. worked all Day at the Kiln wall. made some brick. Mark planted our late Potatoes. Just got them in when it commenced raining. had a heavy rainwith with considerable hail but is warm at sunset. got some brick spoiled but not many. got our stove repaired is now about as good as new. John Wetmore paid me his brick bill (15 Dollars).

May 25 Clear & very pleasant. got up at 4 O'clock and blacksmithed until breakfast. worked at the wall all Day. Mark helped us as it is too wet to work on the farm. made no brick to Day. am very tired. worked steady all Day at work I am not accustomed to (laying brick). clear & pleasant as can be at sunset as I write.

May 26 Clear & pleasant all Day. worked at the wall Mark hauled brick & Sand. made 5000 brick to Day. everything growing fast now. Margaret spent most of the Day at Lib Waits getting some sewing Done. came home with us in wagon.

May 27 Clear & warm all Day. Delightful growing weather. worked at wall all Day got along fine. Mark hauled Sand Brick and planted CaliforniaPotatoes. I Margaret & Nora went to town in evening in Carriage. very pleasant.

May 28 Clear & very pleasant all Day. Mark made fence in forenoon. in afternoon Oiled our Harness. I & Sam worked at the wall all Day. Make 4000 Brick. Edward & Morland paid me 20 Dollars on acct. I paid it over to David Carey owed him about 16 Dollars yet. School Exhibition to night. I went out to see J F Dickinson who is poorly spent the evening with him. called at Concert Hall on my return after eleven O'clock when the School Children got through. I waited and watched the Sea of faces as they poured Down the Stair wall and thought there was no end but at last Margaret Nora & Belle made their appearance among the vast crowd and we left immediately for home. Mark was still up waiting for us.

May 29 Cloudy & threatens rain at seven O'clock a little fell. I went up & covered by Brick. brot out paint and painted my Bulleye sash. worked the Balance of the Day at Ed Hises wagon. rained at 10 O'clock & blowed tremendously more wind than rain. turned much cooler and at sunset feels frosty. Margaret covered garden truck. Decoration Day but I Did not go to Town. in afternoon Nora was up said there was a vast crowd streets jammed and buggys & carriages. read the Commercial but soon got weary & sleepy. retire early.

May 30 Clear & cool but I see no frost from my bed room window as I write at 4 O'clock AM & presume there is none of account. worked at Ed Hises wagon & shod his horse. put in most of the Day at work. Ham Howel his son and Father paid us a short visit. the latter took Diner with us.

May 31 Clear & fine. worked at the wall. Mark plowed for Ed Hise and worked our potatoes. Did not Do a Days work molding. temperer absent until 10 Oclock. made but 2700.

Jun 1 Cloudy and threatens rain all Day but none fell here took in all the Day brick so that the yard is clear. made 4100 brick to Day. Mark hauled brick & Sand. I worked at the wall. Mrs. Laughlen of Leetonia visited and took Diner with us.

Jun 2 Cloudy & wet this morning having rained last night and at Daylight we have a fine rain. sent calf skin by Ed Hise to Shawls to get taned. cannot work this morning feel unwell must have taken of. I worked at the wall all Day. Mark hauled brick. made 4000. cloudy all Day but no rain. threatens rain at bedtime.

Jun 3 Cloudy with some rain and a good deal of wind last night. got up early went up to Brickyard & covered brick before breakfast. at noon is clear & pleasant. making no brick to Day. molder is not well. yard wet in forenoon. I write this at noon. cleared off so fine Henry Venable concluded to make some brick this afternoon. got out 1600 good ones. came home past Jont Evans and brot home the Balance of the Bacon bought of him (46 ½

lb). Annie Norris arrived at Joels from Boston.

Jun 4 Clear & very pleasant. Mark is working our corn. I am still at the wall. making brick. weather favorable. finished the wall at 5 O'clock,. got out 4000 brick.

Jun 5 Cloudy and threatens rain. Mark is going to take Nora and a wagon load of provision out to the Pic Nic grounds some 4 ½ miles north of Town. we all leave home at ½ past seven Margaret & I going as far as Town but about the time we got there it commenced to rain. Stopped Mark & Nora at the School House where the children concluded to hold their Pic Nic and it is well they Did as it rained hard several times through the Day. Mark & I went out to Jim Bennetts and got 50 cabbage plants & sett them out. rained tremendously at 6 O'clock PM. I put in the Bull Eye windows at Trinity Block. Anne Kendle called up a few minutes. she is just from Boston (Mass).

Jun 6 Cloudy & fine growing weather as can be. Mark & I fixed up things generally plows lightning rod grape vines etc. Mark repaired fence. took Diner and spent the afternoon with Marius Robinson. Anne Kendall was there. rained good part of afternoon. came home early was too Drowsy to enjoy visiting.

Jun 7 Cloudy & wet. Mark & Sam are plowing with both teams. too wet to make brick. I sett brick got the first arch up. rained toward night. sun sett clear. Margaret & I took supper at Joels. Marius & Emely and some others were there. came home before 9 O'clock.

Jun 8 Clear & pleasant all Day. made 4000 brick. I sett brick in afternoon. Mark is plowing want to see the field in corn. Joseph Allen of New Jersey and old friend that I have not saw for forty years called to see me but I was absent at the time. he said he would see me on Friday and Saturday next. hope he will.

Jun 9 Clear & pleasant all Day. Made 4000 brick. I sett and hauled brick. Mark finished plowing for sowed corn & got some of it harrowed. little Margaret is very poorly with cold in her head. her eyes are much affected.

Jun 10 Clear & fine as can be. sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon hauled brick. Mark working corn. made 4000 brick. got a letter from Parker Pillsburyy in whichhe enclosed a newspaper article giving an account of the Suicide of Mr. Sargent Treasurer of the New Hampshire Savings Bank. no cause assigned except aberration of mind caused by over Mental effort. he was a Brother to Mrs. Pillsbury and had boarded them a number of years (Sad affair).

Jun 11 Clear & warm. Dressed stone for corn crib until I got tired. quit put on a clean shirt and am going to Town to rest. am worked Down. met with joseph P Allen of new Jersey and old Friend that I have not saw for 46 years. brot him out and he took Diner with us and spent a good part of the afternoon with us. went to Town about 4 O'clock. in evening Nora & I went to see the Show very good one animals & Circus. came home

about ½ past 10.

Jun 12 Cloudy & wet. was awakened at 2 O'clock by a clap of thunder. remembered that my Brick were uncovered. Dressed and went up and succeeded in covering all of them before it rained. at 3 ½ O'clock it rained and blew hard from north. I laid Down & slept until sunrise. the Shower all left about 6 O'clock. Done but little except to sit about Town. Mark hauled plank from Williamsons of which we made Bridges.

Jun 13 Clear with a slight frost but no injury Done by it. I made a frame work for little Margarets crib on which to suspend a Musquota Bar for her protection against their bites. in afternoon Margaret Nora & I went out to see J F Dickinson. he is better but very feeble. John R Williams the "Old Teetolar" (and one of the original five that organized the first Teetotal Society in the City of Baltimore) was buried here to Day. he Died in Cleveland. Rebecca Hunt 94 years of age Died to Day or at least I heard of it since noon (tho she might have Died sooner). she was once the widow of joel Sharp whose Funeral I attended fifty five years ago last March. She was at the time of her first husbands Death the mother of seven children. it is marvelous that she should survive that husband 55 years but such is the fact. she has lived in Salem almost the whole of that time. was a few years in Cleveland.

Jun 14 Clear & cool. some frost in low places. cut stone until breakfast. Johny & I sett Brick all Day. Mark harrowed the corn ground. want to sow it tomorrow. cool all Day.

Jun 15 Cloudy a part of the Day. sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon attended the Funeral of Rebecca Hunt many were there. Mark Drilled in the corn. his nephew (Dennis Lyon) assisted him. they did not quite get done. Sold Levi Straghley 2 bushels of corn. looks a little like rain at bedtime.

Jun 16 Cloudy and at 5 O'clock AM. rained a little but was soon over. Blacksmithed until breakfast. sett Brick all Day. made 4000. Mark is working the corn. cleared off and is a beautiful Day as can be. Bought stuff for a couple of shirts for Johny. read Beach's speech in the Scandall trial.

Jun 17 Clear & pleasant. churned & cut stone until Breakfast time. sett brick. Mark worked corn. rained a fine shower at 4 O'clock PM. did not injure the brick. Drew one hundred Dollars of Ed Vickers want to pay my Tax tomorrow. fine growing weather as can be now.

Jun 18 Cloudy at sunrise but soon cleared off is cool and pleasant. went to Lisbon & Paid my Tax 82.84 found all right. had got things a little mixed but all is right now. took a short ride on the Steubenville road which is elevated. gave Nora a good view of Lisbon and its suburb. got home to Diner. hauled brick in afternoon.

Jun 19 Clear & cool. got up early hoed my cabbage & churned before breakfast. sett brick. Mark worked the potatoes. sold our wool that had laid in the Barn 2 years got

20.98 cents for it. the children are making ice cream to night.

Jun 20 Clear & pleasant. Done but little work to Day. weatherboarded a little of the shop. wrote a short letter to John Jones he is now at Hartford Conn. Margaret was over to see Mother Goulbourn. she is well.

Jun 21 Clear & warm. cut stone and churned before breakfast. brot our Oak lumber from mill. Mark hauled brick & Sand. I & Johny sett brick made 4000. threatened rain in afternoon but at 8 O'clock none has fallen here.

Jun 22 Cloudy & wet having rained last night and early this morning. churned & cut stone before breakfast. sett brick. Mark hauled brick. rained hard about 11 O'clock. cloudy all Day.

Jun 23 Cloudy and warm. sett out cabbage churned and repaired wagon lock before breakfast. sett brick. Mark hauled Stephen a load of coal and hauled wood to the Kiln in afternoon. cleared off and was an excellent brick Day made 4600. John Jones sister Ellen & her husband is with us to night. they came from St Louis here intending to Draw some money she inherited but found on her arrival that John had forged her name & Drew the money and Decamped with it. I am not much Disappointed in him.

Jun 24 Clear & warm. sett brick smeared the Kiln got it nearly ready to fire. Mark hauled wood. made 4400 Brick looks some like rain at 8 O'clock PM. go up and cover my Brick. very warm as I write at 9 O'clock.

Jun 25 Cloudy & wet. fine rain last night. cut stone until breakfast. got our Kiln about ready to fire at noon. Mark is hauling wood. making brick.

Jun 26 Cloudy & wet. rained hard last night. was up at the Kiln all night. sun shines some at times but making no brick to Day. cleared out our large brick shed ready to fill with brick. John Barber offered to loan me 75 Dollars for one year which I accepted gave him my note for it. rained a fine shower in afternoon. Johny Shepherd stays at the Kiln with me to night.

Jun 27 Clear & most delightful this morning. Kiln is getting warm attended Kiln all Day. towards night the wind rose and blowed a steady gale that interfered with the Kiln to some extent about dark.

Jun 28 Cloudy & wet. rained tremendous hard at 3 O'clock this morning. water came near running into some of the arches. enough rain now. if I had my way twould rain no more at present. very warm at noon. Mark hauled wood & Manure. made no brick to Day.

Jun 29 Cloudy & threatens rain but none of account fell until afternoon & very little then. made 4000 Brick. Kiln is Doing fine. wall isa great help. Did not come out to Supper

not hungry.

Jun 30 Clear & warm. making brick. Johny & I run the Kiln am on the last header this morning. came out to Diner but ate very little. attended the Kiln myself this afternoon. Johny wanted to play a game of Base Ball as the Canfield Boys came down on purpose. I thought he has as well go.

Jul 1 Cloudy & wet. rained some last night. shut our Kiln about midnight and laid Down & slept until morning. J F Dickinson & his Daughter (Mrs. Goucher) spent the Day with us. was exceedingly glad to have them here we love them very much indeed. Mark is working the corn. rained a little through the Day but not enough to interfere with our work. made no brick to Day.

Jul 2 Cloudy & wet this morning. rains as I arise after a night of Sound sleep. I really feel fatigued with hard sleeping but have managedto read a good part of the Truth Seeker before breakfast. it is very refreshing long may it wave.

Jul 3 Clear & pleasant. awoke Johny at 3 O'clock. he got up and took the early train to Alliance where he is going to spend the Day. this morning I go to Town for a new Buggy I have secretly purchased for 2 hundred Dollars in which Margaret and I intend taking a ride of two Days among the Yellow Creek hills. this is the 36th aneversary of our marriage and we take this way of enjoying it. looked our farm over this morning never saw it look so well. every variety of crop is a as good as I would ask it. left home at seven O'clock went past Teegardens Mill through New Lisbon where we arrived at Ten O'clock. went directly through took the Steubenville Road. at Gavers Post Office 4 miles south of Lisbon we took the Irondale road. 7 miles south of Lisbon we stopped at a farmhouse (William Johnsons) where we procured a good feed of Oats for the Mare and Diner for ourselves after which we went on Down the north fork of Yellow Creek through Irondale to Hammondsville. from there we struck up Big Yellow Creek to Mooretown a Distance of ten miles where we were so fortunate as to find Robt George Son of Judge Thomas George with whom I cooperated some 30 years ago in freeing a Slave. Robt remembered the incident perfectly and his aged wife who then prepared for me a good warm breakfast. now makes herself busy in preparing our Supper. at an early hour Margaret being very tired goes to bed while I sit up and chat with Robt until behold in pops a Clergyman and proposes Family worship. I of course felt some embarrassed as I could take no part in such (to me foolishness) but they evidently appreciated the Situation said nothing to me and I nothing to them and all passed of with apparent Satisfaction shortly after I repaired to bed. I confess to some misgivings whether it were precedent to soil so fine a bed as pure and as white as the Drifting snow but after making a temporary night cap of my best white linen handkerchief concluded to risk it. Margaret had dozed a little but was like felt that we were probably even asking too much on their hospitality but after talking the thing over we both slid off as it were into the arms of the gentle Morpheus who lulled us until morning.

Jul 4 Cloudy & wet. was awake at 3 O'clock by the rain a slight shower. got up as soon

as it was light enough to see. strolled up the creek to a covered bridge, climbed the Bluff to the Soldiers Monumnet Erected on an eminence belonging to Robt George and at whose expense solely it was erected costing 7 hundred Dollars. it commemorates the memory of 32 Soldiers who fell in the war all of whom from his Township (Ross) Jefferson County one of whom was his Son. after breakfast tho it looked rainy we started for home by way of Salineville where we arrived in the rain about 10 O'clock. we kept right on the Hanover where we took Dienr and fed the Mare and at 2 O'clock started for home where we arrived safe about 4 O'clock. at six I am making a record of it while Margaret is absent at Sis's. the baby's eyes are reported worse again poor little dear. how I feel for her. go early to bed.

Jul 5 Clear & warm. making brick to Day. Johny & I are setting brick in second Kiln. Mark is working the corn. very warm at noon as I write.

Jul 6 Cloudy & clear at intervals. got up and had churning Done by 4 O'clock. made 4000 brick. John & I sett brick. Mark is working corn. big rain at noon. lots of showers now.

Jul 7 Cloudy & Dull but wind in northwest. John & I put on brick shed and then commenced Digging a cistern in Carriage house. worked steady at it and at six O'clock am some tired. Mark is still at the corn. cleared off and is very pleasant this afternoon. sun is setting clear.

Jul 8 Clear & warm all Day. Johny & I pegged away at our cistern got it nearly Dug. went to Town in evening and bought one Barrel of lime & 2 Barrels of cement. want to wall up the cistern. Mark worked corn.

Jul 9 Clear & cloudy at intervals through the Day. got our cistern partly walled up. Mark finished the corn hauled a load of Sand & Brickbats. covered my brick as it looks some like rain.

Jul 10 Clear & cloudy at intervals with some rain about noon. Johny & I worked steady at the cistern getting it along right well. Mark got the potatoes all fixed up in his best stile. Nora & Belle started at about 2 O'clock for Lisbon took Doll and our new Phaeton. got a full weeks work on the Brickyard (24000).

Jul 11 Clear and pleasant. I worked at the cistern all Day Mark attended me. got it arched over complete & all the scaffolding out. put away what Sand was left. Uncle Silas spent a portion of the Day & took Diner with us after which we started over the farm. our crops never looked as promising as now. Mark has every thing in the best of order. Nora & Belle got safe back at 7 O'clock PM.

Jul 12 Clear & warm. opened our Kiln have plenty of hard brick in it. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal. in evening attended a meeting of citizens that sympathized with Theodore Litton. I am appointed as one of the committee of five to get up a statement of our views

to forward it Litton. came home ½ past ten.

Jul 13 Clear & warm. hauled and sett brick until noon when it rained so much we Done nothing in afternoon except to finishing walling up a part of our cistern & level Down the the dirt around it. rained hard again before I go to sleep at ½ 9 PM.

Jul 14 Cloudy & wet. churned & Done some other schores before breakfast. hauling and setting brick. cleared off at ten O'clock is warm and pleasant. made no brick to Day.

Jul 15 Cloudy & Dull. made a few brick sett and hauled some but at 1 O'clock it rained very hard the heaviest rain of the season. Milton Taylors men (4 of them) came to raise the Barn & put a new sill under it. very wet.

Jul 16 Cloudy & wet. churned before breakfast then all hands went to work at the Barn. got it completed by noon made a good job of it. spent the afternoon in righting things up about the Barn and in the lane opposite. Barckley Gilbert called out and spent an hour very agreeably indeed. we looked our crops over. cleared off. Mark stacked Eds hay.

Jul 17 Cloudy & wet with lots of rain this morning about Daylight. Bought 120 feet of Siding repaired the barn where we tore it up to put in the Sill. repaired the road that leads to the Barnyard. it had got washed out considerable. carted some of the Dirt out of carriage house and leveled the balance Down so that our carriage house now has a good floor. got a Draft on New York that belongs to Mark calling for 90 Dollars cash at Farmers National Bank (By Robt Hanson). am tired as I write have quit work for this week. sliced a hay rope for Philip Evans for which he paid me a quarter. I hated to take it But as he appeared rather anxious to pay me. I relieved him of that trifle.

Jul 18 Cloudy & wet. one of the heaviest rains last night that we have had for ten years. undone all our work around the Barn by washing all the Dirt away that we had carted. tore everything out in the shape of bridges about the brickyard. I & Mark hooped our Buggywheels and he went up to his brother Pats. I weatherboarded East end of house and in afternoon went Down to Antrims clearing and selected limbs of various shapes of which I intend to make a rustic chair. Mark returned early & Margaret and I took Mare & Buggy and brot the limbs home. cleared off toward evening.

Jul 19 Clear & warm. churned before 5 O'clock ground scythes. commenced mowing at about 8 O'clock. I saw them well started and then went up Town and sett Stephen Adams & William Kemp to Digging ditch to Drain clay hole. got one meadow mowed and the clay hole Drained. now on the morrow want to haul in our hay. I repaired the rake and got the Barn ready. engaged 2 hands to help us.

Jul 20 Cloudy and raining at Daylight. can get no hay in this Day of our Land. worked at my rustic chair and shod one of the Horses. rained a little through the Day. sun shone none. grass is not injured yet. sun setts clear.

Jul 21 Clear & pleasant. worked at hay making and hauling in. got all in that is mowed ten good loads. Tom Post helped us all worked just right and we got along pleasantly.

Jul 22 Cloudy but little prospects of rain. will mow again to Day. mowed the field by noon. in afternoon got Tom Post to help Gibbons cut the wheat and Mark & I went up to Brickyard to repair the Bridge that had been swept out by the flood. by the hardest we got the horses to Draw the large logs to their places but it was a shame to compel them to go into so bad a place. Jont got Down in the tough mud and had hard work to get up. it was all Mark could do to keep Charlie from falling on top of him. about this time the rain commenced and soon our "big logs" were afloat again and all our work to Do over. we however too advantage of the situation and floated them up to their place and anchored them with chains in such a way as when the water falls it will leave them about in their places. we came home wet. finished my Rustic Chair.

Jul 23 Cloudy & Dull. Mark Johny & I went up to Brickyard and by noon completed the Bridge. got it better than it ever was before. cut wheat and raked hay in afternoon. hauled one load of Brick. sun shone some in afternoon. Bought Johny a pair of good shoes.

Jul 24 Cloudy at Daylight but finally cleared off and we had a splendid hay Day. cut the last of our grass and got it all in. our hay is now in the Barn all in as good order as can be. Geo Johnson of Phila is with us to night. have our wheat all in shock.

Jul 25 Clear and cloudy at intervals. spent most of the Day at home. was up Town a short time in morning. brot out Saturdays Commercial and read it. a portion of the afternoon I spent in cutting limbs to make a rustic Sofa. came home after 6 O'clock very leg weary. Margaret went up to see Mrs. Walker who is Supposed to be on her Death bed.

Jul 26 Cloudy & Dull rained in the night. got up at 4 and churned. worked a little at the wagon bed for Ed Hise before breakfast. hauled and sett brick. got 4000 made rained a fine shower in afternoon but soon dried off.

Jul 27 Clear & pleasant all Day. made 4000 sett & hauled brick. have a blind man with us to night. looks a little like rain at sun sett.

Jul 28 Cloudy & wet. rained most of the night. I got up early churned before breakfast. repaired Stable in forenoon. in afternoon hauled Brick. cloudy & Dull all Day. made no Brick to Day. Ed Hise & Reason Bricker commenced laying Brick at Ed Leases this afternoon.

Jul 29 Cloudy & wet. rained a good part of the forenoon. in afternoon we sett & hauled brick. Annis Evans and Annie Seeds visited us this afternoon. their husbands came over and took tea with us. looks like rain at bedtime.

Jul 30 Clear & cooler. sett made and hauled Brick Day. got along fine. Carrie Layman of Pittsburgh is with us. she & Nora is having a good time. Mrs. Walker Died this morning at 10 O'clock. Did not hear of it until sun sett.

Jul 31 Cloudy and Dull all Day. hauled in our wheat. Johny went to Canfield. made 4000 brick. no rain. Belle is attending Pic Nic and dance. Anrew Johnson Died.

Aug 1 Cloudy cold and wet. raining from the East this morning and continued through the Day. went to hear a Mr. Putnam lecture. at one O'clock went with Joel McMillen to Mrs. Walkers being one of her pall bearers. I assisted in removing her remains to the house of John Deming where quite a number of her Friends met to take a last look and final farewell. Marius Delivered a touching address and John Clemen volunteered some of his very best music after which we bore her tenderly to her final resting place. rained all the time and as I write is still raining.

Aug 2 Cloudy cool & wet. rained all night and is still raining at 6 O'clock as I write. churned this morning what to do next I can scarcely tell. Mark is going to mill sett & hauled a few Brick. sun shone none to day.

Aug 3 Cloudy & wet. to Day we tore up the gravel roof on south porch and resheated ready for tin roof. Paid Jake McConner ten Dollars have owed him for some time. Bought 117 cents worth of boards. Drizzled rain about all Day. wrote a line to Parker Pillsbury telling him of the Death of Mrs. Walker.

Aug 4 Cloudy & Dull. rained a little this morning but we hitched up both teams and hauled brick. roads are bad very muddy. cleared off in afternoon and weather looks to be settled.

Aug 5 Clear & partially cloudy through the Day but little indication of rain. hauled brick with both teams. cutting our Oats Lawson Harper is helping. Sam Gibbons & his two boys is at also. Sent P O order to Truth Seeker for 225 cts. getting Tin roof on South Porch.

Aug 6 Cloudy & Dull. rained enough to Drive our hands that were cutting Oats out of the field but we hauled brick all Day. cleared off in afternoon and is cool. think the rain must be over now for a few days at least.

Aug 7 Cloudy and Dull. hauled brick could Do little at the Oats. cut some but it rained and we were forced to abandon it. brot home crooked limbs for a Sofa. Belle has gone to stay with her Mother to night as she is poorly.

Aug 8 Clear & very pleasant all Day. strolled about the woods some time hunting crooked limbs but found none to suit me. Margaret Nora & Carrie took a ride over to Mother Goulbourns got back at 5 O'clock.

Aug 9 Clear & pleasant. got up at 4 and churned. hunted up hands to help us at our Oats. started 4 cradles and two scyhes. raked Bound and shocked up what was cut last week. it was still too Damp to put in the Barn. rained at 5 O'clock so that we had to Knock off. when will the weather settle. echo answers when.

Aug 10 Clear and pleasant all Day. hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon hauled in Oats. 4 binders kept myself and Mark busy. got nearly all cradled. getting along fine thus far with our Oats.

Aug 11 Clear & pleasant. bound and hauled in Oats until noon when it rained made it too wet to Do anything with. Lawson Harper finished cradling by noon. in afternoon I went out to Abram Painters to get Oak limbs for rustic Sofa. Cloudy all afternoon. made a couple of thousand brick the first for a week or two and got them wet.

Aug 12 Cloudy & Damp. hauled brick until ten O'clock when we went to work at the Oats. dried off so that we got five loads in in good order. Sold Benj Hilman a Cow for thirty five Dollars on account to pay for Carpenter work he Done for me. Mrs. Baugher paid me her Brick bill 16 Dollars.

Aug 13 Clear & cloudy at intervals but in afternoon sun shine predominated. we got all our Oats tied up 15 loads in the Barn. the balance (45) shock put up in good stile. made brick to Day. but little prospects of rain to night.

Aug 14 Clear & cloudy at intervals through the Day. Done nothing to Day but look at the show. we all went Down to the Station. saw them disembark some huge animals some that I had not Saw before. splendid lot of horses of all colors sizes and condition and African Elephant said to be treacherous and he certainly looked that way. made 4000 Brick got some of them up & covered.

Aug 15 Clear & fine all Day. put in the Day at the Sofa I am making. will be a curiosity when Done. Mark & Johny went up to Pats. he came Down with them & Brought our other Cow that we had for Sale at 25 Dollars. Mark pays for her which Just Suits me.

Aug 16 Cloudy and raining at 5 O'clock. churned & finished my Sofa before breakfast. hauled brick. rained at noon made no brick. varnished my Sofa.

Aug 17 Clear with exception of fog which soon settled Down had a fine Day. hauled 3 loads of brick & got in the Balance of our Oats. Johny & I sett brick in forenoon. some indications of rain at sunset. Mother Nora Carrie & Belle are all busy getting the Parlor in shape for Noras party which is to come off tomorrow evening.

Aug 18 Cloudy & wet. Mark hauled small load of brick in forenoon. in the afternoon it was too wet to hitch up rained several showers. we cut 4 trees out of front Door yard they having become too thick. Noras company (except the music) arrived and they are having a happy time some twenty five of them. I go early to bed but whether to sleep

remains to be tested.

Aug 19 Clear this morning but soon clouded up. Carrie started home on the ½ past 9 train Nora & I seen off. hauled brick made 4000. rained a little but not sufficient to hinder us much.

Aug 20 Clear at daylight but soon clouded up and threatened rain. some went around north but we escaped. hauled & made brick. cleared off and is cool at sunset with no appearance of rain.

Aug 21 Clear & pleasant all Day. hauled and made brick. I Done but little except to help load. covered the brick although there is no apparent prospect of rain.

Aug 22 Cloudy & Dull a heavy mist came down this morning after which the Sun shone some. I worked part of the Day at Margarets flower Stand ran out of materials went to Abram Painters and got some more after which Margret & I took a Buggy ride. went Down to see Eli Fawcetts new house. I think he will invest too much money in it. it is a grand substantial house as one could wish.

Aug 23 Clear & pleasant this morning. hauled sett and made brick to Day.

Aug 24 Clear & cool. got up and churned by Daylight. bought some beef. worked at Margarets flower stand until breakfast was ready. hauled sett & made brick. weather is fine now. if it should only keep so a few weeks I should like it amazingly. Nora got a letter from Carrie Laymen she got safe home.

Aug 25 Clear & cool. got up early went to Sharps woods & brot some grape vine and finished Margarets flower stand. it is very nice indeed. hauled sett & made brick as usual. Board of health looking up affairs say my Brick Pond must be dried up. I will try and Do my share of it soon. bought 2 bushel of Timothy seed cost 7 Dollars.

Aug 26 Clear & warm all Day. Mark harrowed our Oats field and sowed it in Timothy seed. Johny & I sett brick. Made 4000 also weather is fine now. Gov. Wm Allen (Democrat) speaks to Salem to night. but not to me. Mark finished grass seed by noon.

Aug 27 Clear & pleasant. Johny & I sett brick. Mark finished grass seed by noon. Nora attended a party at Mrs. Tabors this evening. I awaited at Vickers (Trinity Block) for her and accompanied her home. warm & pleasant.

Aug 28 Clear & pleasant. Alfred Kelly put up the Spouting around carriage hosue & shop. finished setting our 2nd Kiln of brick. Mark hauled Brick. clouded up a little but no sign of rain at Dark.

Aug 29 Clear & warm. finished ironing my hopper wheel barrow & painted it. read the Truth Seeker until I tired. covered my brick as it clouded up a little then went to woods in

search of crooked limbs for rustic chair. when I returned I found brother Jesse & wife here. came just as I started away. Mark took Caster (the Dog) up to Pats as he is worse than a nuisance to us.

Aug 30 Clear & fine at sunrise. clouded up in forenoon but not much prospect of rain. Johny & I cased some at the Kiln. Mark hauled Brick Sand & Coal. no rain to Day covered the brick.

Aug 31 Clear & warm. all signs of rain vanished. Mark commenced hauling out manure. Johny & I cased at the Kiln in forenoon. in afternoon he loaded Manure for Mark while I & Marks help hauled brick. roads are very Dusty. making lots of brick.

Sep 1 Clear & very warm all Day. Mark is hauling manure. Johny & I casing at the Kiln. haul brick in afternoon. no prospect of rain at present.

Sep 2 Clear & warm. cased at the Kiln until noon got it nearly Done. hauled Brick in afternoon. Mark & Johny finished hauling out the manure. some cloudy but little prospect of rain. ground is getting dry.

Sep 3 Clear & warm. got up at Day Dawn brot the cows up and Margaret milked them before flytime. I worked at rocking chair until breakfast. hauled brick all Day. Johny is unwell to Day is taking it easy by Doing nothing. I walked out to Abram Painters and brot home a little more brush for chair. Stephen had covered the brick when I got back as it looks some like rain and as I write at 8 O'clock PM is actually raining. glad to have a shower as the ground is getting dry again.

Sep 4 Cloudy. had a splendid shower last evening. got up brick in forenoon. Mark hauled a load of coal for Stephen. 3 of Mrs. Walkers Daughters visit us to Day am always glad to see them. cleared off and is fine all Day. made no brick to Day.

Sep 5 Clear & pleasant all Day. finished my rocking chair & shod 2 of the horses. Uncle Silas called out and took Diner with us. glad he Did am always glad to see him.

Sep 6 Clear & pleasant. got up early & churned. Wiley Ward commenced working for me again this morning. we wheeled out brick in forenoon. in afternoon hauled brick with all the forces we had. Mark hauled & plowed for wheat in forenoon.

Sep 7 Clear & pleasant. all hands on hand this morning to Do our Threshing. I cut the bands and it was by far the hardest Days work I have Done for years. we threshed about 600 bushels altogether got Done just at sunset. I am too tired to eat or sleep.

Sep 8 Clear & warm. got up early. feel much better this morning although I rested poorly last night. Wiley & Johny put away the wheat & oats by noon. Mark plowed but in afternoon was forced to get him to haul some brick. Wiley & I wheeled out of the Kiln in afternoon getting along fine. Betsy Spencer Died this morning. Lewis Riter and his

wife was both buried in one grave to Day.

Sep 9 Clear & warm. Mark is so unwell that Johny takes his place at the Plow. I go to the Brickyard where I find Wiley too sick to work. send him home to recuperate and I Do but little myself.

Sep 10 Cloudy & wet. rained very hard last night and this morning it is still raining. our new cistern is running over full. ground too wet to plow. I made tools for my own use. clear & cool at sunset.

Sep 11 Clear & cool some frost in low places. Made brick again to Day. Mark finished plowing for wheat. John & I cleaned seed wheat. I spent a portion of the Day in Town. cold and windy.

Sep 12 Cloudy and threatens rain. brot the Cows. went to woods for brush. rained. made myself a pocket knife. attended funeral of Norman Garrigues Baby in afternoon. am sixty two years old to Day.

Sep 13 Cleared off and is pleasant to Day. making brick. Johny & I cased at the Kiln in forenoon. in afternoon him and Mark is sowing the wheat. I bought and brot home one bushel of Timothy seed. Nora gave me a beautiful inkstand as a birthday present on yesterday and which I forgot to mention in its proper place. sold a few brick to Day. varnished my rustic Rocking chair.

Sep 14 Clear & warm. Mark & Johny finished Sowing the wheat. Wiley & I got the Kiln ready & fired it in afternoon. made 4000 brick.

Sep 15 Clear and pleasant but clouded up through the Day but no rain. Mark hauled wood & Brick. I put seats in my Rustic chairs. Johny attended the Kiln. Wiley is leveling the Brickyard lot. Belle went to Lisbon.

Sep 16 Cloudy & wet. commenced raining about 5 O'clock AM and rained off and on all forenoon. Mark hauled wood between showers so that we kept the Kiln hot warming up well. I did not come home to breakfast and diner Johny brot it to me. Mark hauled one thousand brick to buckeye and hauled Wileys goods out to where he is going to try to live.

Sep 17 Cloudy & wet. Drizzled rain considerable this morning is at it as I write at 8 Oclock AM. rained none through the Day worth mentioning. all hands at the Kiln. John Enlo (ed Hises uncle came to Day he lives in Louisville Ky. I have not saw him yet.

Sep 18 Cloudy & cool being cloud doubtless protects us from frost. Kiln is getting hot. cloudy all Day but no rain. Mark hauled wood & coal. John Enloe is at Ed Hises. lives in Louisville Ky.

Sep 19 Cloudy cool & wet. Drizzled rain most of the night. Johny & I attended the kiln.

Mark hauled wood.

Sep 20 Clear & cold some frost in low places. the men undertook to make brick but found the mud too cold and quit for the Day. Mark hauled brick all Day. Martin Youngs house with all its contents burned last night. with Difficulty the children were got out.

Sep 21 Cloudy & cool. shut up the Kiln at Daylight this morning. I helped Mark haul brick all Day. the hands made 4000 Brick. cool all Day had to wear our coats all the time. Geo Lucas paid me 6 Dollars he had owed me for some time.

Sep 22 Cloudy & cold. hauled Brick all Day getting along well. made 4000 Brick to Day sold some. Samule Wolf killed on yesterday afternoon crushed between his wagon & a tree. cool all Day.

Sep 23 Cloudy but soon cleared off and is very fineweather. cut our Sowed corn to Day with Eatna Machine Done it first rate and they charged me nothing for the use of the machine. would like to buy it and think I will. Wiley is helping sett it up.

Sep 24 Clear & cool with some frost this morning. Mark hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon went to Travesses for Sand and Finnan Gees cistern. Johny & I cleaned out the Kiln walls ready to sett Brick.

Sep 25 Clear & cool. finished shocking up the sowed corn this forenoon. Johny & I sett brick until noon. Mark hauled coal. clouded up and rained at 4 O'clock PM. is raining at Dark got the brick covered. have 20000 on the yard.

Sep 26 Cloudy and raining at Daylight but soon cleared off and is pleasant all Day. I spent the Day in the woods. Margaret & Nora visited at Mother Goulbourns. Belle returned to Day been absent 11 Days.

Sep 27 Clear & cool. commenced Finnan gees cistern. Mark hauled Brick Manure etc. made no brick to Day no yard room. first rate drying Day. Fitz Allen Brady & Sam Goblons is cutting up our corn.

Sep 28 Clear & cool. Mark hauled Sand & coal. Johny & I sett Brick all Day. made 4000 to Day. want to wind up as soon as possible now. Robt Moores wife Burried to Day.

Sep 29 Clear & pleasant. Mark hauled Brick & coal. Johny & I sett brick. made no brick to Day. all hands went to Republican convention at New Lisbon. Big Crowd. Ed Hise & Reason Bricker commenced walling Gees cistern at noon. the sand is too pure to lay the brick. must get some road sand and mix with it.

Sep 30 Cloudy & threatens rain. got up at one O'clock and went up to the yard and covered the Dry brick. Mark hauled Brick & coal. I sett some brick and attended to the

cistern got along well. rained about 4 O'clock PM but moderated. made 4000 brick to Day.

Oct 1 Cloudy & wet rained moderately all night last night and most of the Day. Johny & I sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon I paid Mary Negus 137 53/100 Dollars. Joel McMillen received the money and credited on the mortgage she holds against me. 17 53/100 Dollars was the Brick she bought of me the balance 120 Dollars was cash. Mark & Wiley put our Straw in the Barn.

Oct 2 Clear & pleasant all Day. Wiley & I worked at Gees cistern until noon. Mark & Johny hauled brick all Day. Made no brick to Day. cool at sunset. Got groceries for Wiley.

Oct 3 Clear & pleasant all Day. worked at rustic chairs about all Day. am better satisfied at that than Doing nothing. Monroe Vickes with his two children called Down a short time.

Oct 4 Cloudy and threatens rain all Day. made 5700 brick to Day. Mark Wiley & Johny cut our corn up to Day. I Done but little am too unwell. loaded 1334 brick that I traded for a Buffaloe Robe valued at ten Dollars. Sis is with us to night. Ed is absent and little Margaret is so poorly we think it best to have her here.

Oct 5 Clear and cloudy at intervals. hauled some brick. got some wheat ground. put on the Brick shed. sis is still with us. little Margaret is much better this evening.

Oct 6 Cloudy. Johny started at 4 O'clock for Canfield Fair. Mark hauled pumpkins in forenoon. in afternoon went to Traviss for Sand. got caught in the rain. was wet most of the afternoon. Wiley & I cleaned up Timmon Gees lot where we put in the cistern in forenoon. rained so much in afternoon we could Do but little of anything.

Oct 7 Cloudy & cool. Wiley is Digging Kerns cistern I assisted him some. Made the filter for Gees cistern & put it in. Mark hauled a load of coal and Dug some potatoes.

Oct 8 Cloudy & wet. raining at 6 O'clock but soon held up. Mark hauled a load of Sand to J A Kern. Wiley & Wm Kemp Dug all Day at Kerns cistern. got it ready for the Masons. I finished Gees got it all completed. I think it a capital good one.

Oct 9 Clear & frosty everything white. got our mortar ready at Kerns cistern but no Bricklayers came. we waited until 9 O'clock and went to Brick Kiln and worked taking Down casing. Mark & Johny hauled Brick. Henry Venable hacked up all the Brick & Wiley covered them so that they are now in good fix. James Hughes (our nephew) from West Liberty Iowa took Diner with us. he left the folks all well. is going back on Monday next.

Oct 10 Cloudy & wet. went early to the woods and found a crooked limb to suit me.

finished the Rustic chair that I have made expressly for the Farmers National Bank. have it varnished and when Dry intend to take it up and present it. ½ soled my boots repaired a pump and put it into the Shop cistern. it is a good one presented to me by James Davis as good as new only wanted a little repair. rained about all Day.

Oct 11 Clear & cool. Mark & Johny hauled brick. I overlooked at the cistern got it walled up and arched & put the Dirt back. J Kern Paid me 25 Dollars on it.

Oct 12 Clear & cold. Spent the Day at Election Big vote (1011) 48 more than was ever polled in Salem before. all quiet. stayed up at the Town Hall until 1 O'clock waiting for returns by Telegraph by which time enough was known to ensure the success of Hayes the Republican Candidate for Governor.

Oct 13 Clear & cool. ground froze this morning. hauled brick. Johnson Marshall worked at the cistern this afternoon. (democrats chap fallen)

Oct 14 Clear & cool. hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon Mark Dug Potatoes & Johny & I sett brick. Marshall finished Kerns cistern. Margaret attended a concert. I attended her to & fro only. very clear & moonlight at 10 O'clock as came home.

Oct 15 Cloudy & cool. Kemp & I put the Bottom in A Turners cistern. rained before we got it completed but we stuck to it. Mark & Johny hauled 2 loads of brick in forenoon but got too wet and they quit. in afternoon Johny & I sett some brick.

Oct 16 Cloudy cold and wet. hauled one load of brick. sett brick the balance of the Day. Wiley helped us. snowed some and blowed considerable from northwest and is cold but not freezing much. Paid Tom Post ten Dollars.

Oct 17 Cloudy & cool. took the mare & little wagon went into Sharps woods and brot home a parcel of Oak limbs. John Gordon Joel & Sarah McMillen with Hannah Barsley visited us. we had a very pleasant Day. Doc John Harris called over to see our rustic work he admired it much. Margaret & I went Down in evening to see Sis and her "little one". it appears to be getting some better but is still sorely afflicted with sore eyes. came home early as I get sleepy.

Oct 18 Clear & pleasant this morning. Blacksmithed some this morning before breakfast. hauled Brick all Day. Wiley & I put the filter in kerns cistern in forenoon. in afternoon I Done but little but help load brick.

Oct 19 Cloudy & cool but cleared off toward noon and is pleasant. Mark Johny & Kemp are Digging Potatoes. I laid floor in Shop and repaired Joseph Kerns pump. Margaret spent good portion of the Day in Town.

Oct 20 Clear & pleasant this morning. had visitors to Day Jacob Heaton & wife and wifes Sister Harriet Crampton of Henry county Illinois. Arthur B Bradford took Diner

spent the afterpart of Day with us and finally made up his mind to stay all night with us. we were delighted to have him do so. we spent a very pleasant evening in his company. he is so interesting a good talker and great thinker. is far in advance of mankind in general.

Oct 21 Clear & pleasant. hitched Dolly to new Buggy. took Mr. Bradford through the galvanized iron works where he saw a vast number of new sights. was interested and delighted with them. from there we went over to the buckeye and spent ½ an hour before going to R R Depot where I took leave of him. came Directly home took Margaret to Town. returned and made heads for filter and put it in at Robert Turners cistern. Republicans have a great fandango in Town to night. going to bury the "Rag Baby". we were all up there but soon got tired and came home.

Oct 22 Clear & pleasant as can be Mark shut up our hogs to Day to fatten them. Johny & I sett brick. Settled with Joseph Kern for his cistern. my Bill amounted to 52 69/100 Doll 8 Dollars less than I would make another like it. Mark hauled Stephen Adams a load of coal. Nora is at a Party this evening at Ephraim Murphys.

Oct 23 Clear & pleasant. Johny & I sett brick. Mark hauled Brick & coal. hauled a small load of fodder to John Hunt at 50 cts per hundred pounds. will pay well for that.

Oct 24 Clear & warm. Margaret & I went buggy riding. returned by and called at Hal Arners. met Charles Jobs & wife Mary & Betty Saxon. Hannah Wilson took Diner returned by sunset.

Oct 25 Cloudy and very smoky real Indian Sumer this morning. sett brick all Day. Wiley helped us. Mark hauled manure Brick & coal. cloudy at sunset.

Oct 26 Cloudy with the best possible rain last night. could just see its tracks in the Dust but at noon is wet and raining. Mark hauled in a load of corn & some pumpkins in forenoon in afternoon a load of coal. Johny Wiley & I sett brick. Mrs. Clemen & Mary Mendenhall took tea & spent the evening with us. Mark took them to Town and it is pitch Dark.

Oct 27 Cloudy & moderate. Mark and I hauled Brick in in forenoon. in afternoon he hauled coal. I helped sett Brick. cleared off in afternoon is cool. Margaret & Belle went over to Mother Goulbourns she is well. Mark & I brot a flower bush home from Joseph Kerns a present from him. we do not know the name but it is a rare bush brought here by Abel Philips some 14 years since.

Oct 28 Cloudy & pleasant. Mark & I hauled a load of fodder to Eugene Fleck and a load of Brick to Buckeye Machine Shop a cord of wood to John Clemen for which he paid me two Dollars and seventy five cents. in afternoon Mark hauled coal & I sett Brick. John W Thomas who moved from York County Pennsylvania to Salem Ohio fifty five years ago Died to Day. he was known all over the county at least. was over Eighty years old. he

leaves but one Son behind him having buried three.

Oct 29 Cloudy and warm. Blacksmithed before breakfast. loaded and sett brick. Mark & Johny hauled brick to buckeye shop. rained hard at ½ past 3 PM accompanied with heavy thunder and sharp lightening. had some corn husked to Day but did not get it in. Belle is up Town to night.

Oct 30 Cloudy and wet rained and blowed from Southwest. could not sett brick as it blowed under the shed but soon as it slacked up we went to setting and finished as far as the brick would go. will finish the Kiln with burnt brick. J W Thomas buried to Day.

Oct 31 Cloudy & cold wind blows fresh all Day and snows most of the Day. is blustery as February. Blacksmithed some. mended our scoop shovel. Made a good job of it. was worth as much to mend it as a new one costs but I saved one Dollar and fifteen cents which is a good half Days wages. Frank Weiss called out a few minutes. wind howls as I write at seven P.M.

Nov 1 Cloudy & snowing. snowed most of the Day. I spent the forenoon in Town. put a new Tyle in back of grate at the stove. in afternoon helped Mark & Johny haul brick. Disagreeable all Day.

Nov 2 Clear & cold. ground froze this morning. shod 3 of our horses Prince for the first time. Mark brot Henry Venable a load of coal in forenoon. in afternoon we Done a little work at the yard. Mark hauled wood and Johny and I tore Down casing.

Nov 3 Cloudy cold and wet. rained some and froze as it fell. worked in shop most of the Day. hauled one load of brick. Wiley was here to Diner. helped Mark clean up some wheat.

Nov 4 Cloudy windy & cool. Johny & I sett brick. Mark hauled wood at Brickyard. sun shone a very little before setting.

Nov 5 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard in the road. finished setting the Kiln to Day. was very pleasant after 9 O'clock. Wiley helped us. Mark hauled wood. Sister Una is with us this afternoon is going to stay all night.

Nov 6 Clear & cool. ground froze but soon thawed out. Mark hauled corn and coal. Johny Wiley & I got the ready & fired it about sunset. clear & pleasant all Day.

Nov 7 Clear & cool. I was up with the Kiln all night. moon shone bright pleasant all Day. Mark hauled wood corn and one load of Brick for Paving.

Nov 9 Clear & cool. ground froze hard this morning. clouded up through the Day but remained pleasant. Mark hauled wood corn & brick. Johny & I at the Kiln.

Nov 10 Cloudy with an inch of snow. commenced snowing about midnight. Johny & I had to build a shantee and move our quarters but we still got all the sleep we needed. Old Jo Venable is in the lock up this morning in for Stealing and butchering a young steer belonging to Jacob Farquhar. I await the investigation (the hide was found in his cellar in the Bottom of a Barrel of Potaotes.

Nov 11 Clear & cool having cleared off in the night. Jake Forker watched Venables house last night caught two of them coming out with each a sack of beef. he gave chase and they Dropped the Sacks and ran thus escaping arrest but Old Joe & Nat Rolf were bound over to appear at court and were taken to Lisbon jail this morning. the Kiln is Doing fine. Mark hauled brick & wood.

Nov 12 Clear & cool. Mark hauled corn wood & brick. very pleasant all Day. finished and shut the Kiln at 9 O'clock PM. came home found a light awaiting me.

Nov 13 Clear and pleasant early but soon clouded up and is wet this afternoon. Nora & I went Down to Benj Grenamires to hunt our Turkeys found eight of them there. Mark hauled one load of brick and one of corn but was soon too wet & cold. Belle is over at Jont Evans to night.

Nov 14 Cloudy & Dull. rained all night long last night is very muddy. finished my rustic chair that I intend to send to Brother William in Iowa it is very niceindeed. mended my spectacles a rather Delicate job but I accomplished it by being careful.

Nov 15 Cloudy & wet. Mark and I hauled brick and brot the Turkeys home by noon. in afternoon he hauled coal & I collected a little money and paid Debts with it.

Nov 16 Cloudy cool and heavy mist falling. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal to Stephen Adams and 2 loads of Paving Brick to Cris Shaffer. Henry Venable was arrested and tried as one of the thieves that stole Forkers beef. I did not hear the result. growed cooler all Day will freeze considerable to night.

Nov 17 Cloudy & cold ground froze hard and covered with snow. changed wagons & hauled fodder to J Heaton in afternoon. cold and raw all Day. spent the evening at Harriet Arners. brot the New York Sun (newspaper) home with me. it is after H W Beecher.

Nov 18 Cloudy & very cold. sent a check for five Dollars that I got of J Heaton to Andrew Gaily by Nora. she is to get a pair of shoes and have me credited with the Balance. Mark & I are hauling Brick to Mont Young cold as it is. I write this at noon while waiting for Diner. put in the whole Day at hauling brick.

Nov 19 Cloudy & much warmer this morning. hauled Brick & Sand to pack Seeds in forenoon and in afternoon Mark hauled us a load of coal. J F Dickinson & Harriet Arner visited us this afternoon. was very glad indeed to see them but I was obliged to absent

myself a portion of the time but returned as soon as I could. on my way home chanced to see a red squirrel run into a hollow log. pluged it up and brot the log home. Do not know whether I can catch him or not will try in the morning.

Nov 20 Cloudy but still pleasant. Mark hauled one load of sand and the balance of the Day he hauled in corn. I spent most of the Day in Town. put on my brick shed. collected a little money paid $15.65 cts in first National Bank for Wm Stints for threshing. brot our Sow home.

Nov 21 Cloudy and some colder. Mark & I went Down to Thont McCrackens to see a hog he has to sell like him well. spent the balance of the Day at home. cold at sundown.

Nov 22 Clear & frosty this morning. Mark & I hauled brick all Day. roads are good in most places. thawed none in the shade. Mark bought himself a pair of first class boots.

Nov 23 Cloudy & wet. rained all Day. shod 2 of our horses. cleaned up wheat put in sky windows at the Barn that had been out since we threshed. worked some on a rustic chair to wile away the hour. rainy and Dark at 8 O'clock PM as I write. Belle is in Town to night.

Nov 24 Cloudy & cool with ground frozen a little. hauled brick until noon. I attended Wm Kidd's Sale of household goods. Bought 22 yards of carpet at 55 cts per yard. sold Stephen Adams 200 lb flour and Mary Negus 33 Do. cold at sunset. Nora has gone to a party out to John Yenglings.

Nov 25 Clear & cool ground froze solid. Mark & I hauled brick until noon and corn in afternoon. I spent the afternoon in Town. Wm Taylor Salems leading Butcher for the 12 years Dropped Dead with heart Disease this morning at 8 O'clock. he appeared in his usual health Delivered meat to his customers as he is in the habit of Doing. had occasion to step aside into his garden house where in an incredible short time he was Discovered dead. created a sensation for a short time. an inquest will be held.

Nov 26 Cloudy & wet rained a little most of the forenoon. Ed Hise is building our furnace in the shop. Mark hauled a load of Sand and he & I hauled 2 loads of brick in afternoon. wind hauled around to northwest toward evening. the roads are very muddy. Belle is in Town to night.

Nov 27 Cloudy & roads muddy. I spent the Day in Town. Settled with Finnan Gee he paid me 18 57 Doll. bought Johny a pair of Boots cost 3.50 the Balance I paid to Andrew Goily on account owe him a little yet. Mark hauled in corn & I load of brick to Pack Seeds. Old Mr. McCartnee Died this morning from injuries received from a passing R R Train that knocked him Down (on yesterday).

Nov 28 Cloudy with ground froze a little. worked at the Shop until about noon when Margaret & I went to benj Hilmans. took Diner and spent the afternoon with them very

agreeably indeed. rained about all the afternoon & evening.

Nov 29 Cloudy & cold. Mark hauled manure from Town notwithstanding the roads are rough. I worked all Day in righting up the shop. made Door in south end of wagon house & placed the crane where we can hoist corn up. our crib being full we must put the Balance in carriage house loft. growed colder all Day but I stuck it out tho suffering some in feet & fingers.

Nov 30 Cloudy & cold. Mark hauled one load of manure and then hauled in corn. I worked in shop putting up a stairway & weatherboarding. at ten O'clock commenced Blacksmithing putting Bales on a Barrel in whichto hoist our corn. had not got it quite finished when I was attacked for the third time with Paralisis and of course disabled. I sat on the forge perhaps five minutes when as good fortune would have it Margaret came to the shop and discovered my situation. procuring a cane and with the assistance of Belle she got me to the house. I suffer but little except with the sickness at the stomac. rested but poorly all night being troubled with cramp in weak leg.

Dec 1 Cloudy & cold but is moderating a little. Mark went on foot to Sand bank and called for Doc Young to come out and see me but he was forced to go to Leetonia first having a previous engagement but at 2 O'clock PM he came out and he & I had a very satisfactory consultation about the nature of my case its origin and cause with remedies and preventions but he especially recommended care as a remedy with a little Salt as a present assistant. Nora is 13 years Old to Day.

Dec 2 Clear & some warmer this morning. I feel enough better this morning to be up and Dressed and to write up my journal that had got a Day or two behind. went to Town with Mark. he hauled brick in forenoon and cornfodder to Jacob Kring in afternoon. sun shone all Day but thawed none.

Dec 3 Clear & warmer. helped Mark haul Brick in forenoon. in afternoon he went for a load of coal for ourselves and I loafed about Town. thawed considerable to Day and at sunset looks like raining. clouded up since noon. bought a new axe for a dollar.

Dec 4 Cloudy & warm. Mark hauled in all our corn 800 bushels of ears including the soft. I worked at enclosing the shop. thawed all Day roads are muddy again. was not up to Town to Day. Mark brot out papers this evening sat up late reading.

Dec 5 Cloudy & warm. Ed Hise undertook to finish our Shop chimney but before noon it sat in to rain and continues at it all Day so that it was unable to top it out. I hauled a hundred brick from Town and did not need them. read the papers until I became stupid & Sleepy. Dull Day.

Dec 6 Cloudy warm & wet. Mark hauled a small load of straw to Wm Morris & a load of Brick to Harriet Arner in forenoon. in afternoon he & repaired the Stable & cleared up about the Shop. Ed Hise finished our chimney this morning. roads very muddy.

Dec 7 Cloudy warm & wet. spent the forepart of Day in Town afternoon at home fixing up stables shop etc etc. Mark Did not have the horses out to Day. roads are very muddy.

Dec 8 Cloudy warm & wet. showed Ed Hise what timbers to cut for his Barn. Paid my Tax 107 40/100 Doll. very high. Mark hauled out a load of brick & I paved a part of our new wash house. a little colder at sunset but will freeze none to night.

Dec 9 Cloudy and a little cooler. I Done but little work to Day. bought some Sole leather and got John Callahan to make me a pair of Boots. Mark loaded brick.

Dec 10 Cloudy & cool. Mark hauled saw logs for Ed Hises Barn. Sharps Oxen & ____ helped. I spent the afternoon in Town. Settled with James Stanley he owed me 23 57/100 Doll paid me 22. I paid Alfred Kelly 10 of it.

Dec 11 Cloud & some colder. Mark hauled logs all Day. I Done but little. snowed a little all Day made the boot slip nice. Damon Lyon is with us to night.

Dec 12 Clear & cool. ground covered with Snow. put a Pair of Iron Knobs on cows horn as she is inclined to horn the other cattle. sun is shining at 10 O'clock melting the snow. Margaret & I visited at Marius Robinsons met John Gordon Mrs. Brown John Deming & wife Mrs. Anne Clark Joel & Sarah McMillen Hetty Walton & Miss Shackleton. the roads are so bad we all walked and got along well.

Dec 13 Cloudy & colder. Mark & I went out to haul logs but it sett in to Snow so fast that we turned around and came back to the house. it held up so that we hauled in a little corn fodder and in afternoon I went up to the Buckeye and ground and put a handle on a new butcher Knife. snowed considerable off and on through the Day but not enough to smooth the roads that are very rough.

Dec 14 Cloudy & cold. Mark finished hauling all the logs Ed had cut this forenoon & tinkered in the shop. Made a Door hinges & hung it by noon. Levi Straghley called in and chatted awhile. I spent the afternoon in Town. Mark hauled in a little Fodder.

Dec 15 Cloudy & stormy. Mark & I hauled a load of Straw up to Lizzie Grisell. snowed and blowed terribly most of the forenoon. in afternoon it moderated very much. Mark & I hauled the cornerstone for Eds Barn and one load of hard brick for foundation. subscribed for the New York Daily sun cost 15 cts per week. got my new Boots made at John Callahans.

Dec 16 Cloudy & moderate. Mark hauled coal for ourselves to Day. I enclosed the Shop got it about Done. thawed considerable.

Dec 17 Cloudy & cold with a little more snow but not enough for Sleighing. Mark & I hauled 2 loads of fodder one to Jacob Kreigs & one to Wm Miner. very cold all Day was

all we could Do to stand it. will freeze hard to night.

Dec 18 Cloudy & cold. Mark and Ed Hise hauled fodder to the Barn in forenoon. in afternoon Mark & I hauled a load to Wm Extine and one into our Barn. quite cold all Day. had a Subpenea served me to attend Court on Monday. shall try to get an excuse.

Dec 19 Cloudy & cold. after breakfast went over to Jacob Forkers & from there to Town to see Henry James Attorney at law after which I came and worked some in the blacksmith shop. Wm Howel & Cris Dorwit called out to see about going to Lisbon in the morning but they rather concluded to take the Cars. cold all Day with very little wind.

Dec 20 Cloudy and moderated considerable. Blacksmithed some went up Town in forenoon. at noon Mark hitched to the Buggy and took me to Lisbon where I attended the Sessions of Court. took lodgings at the Hotel secured a room with 4 Beds and a good coal fire in it. had plenty of company John Kiser Wm C Brown Isaac Crumrine Wm Howell Samuel Elton Lavern Webb Robert Tolerton and myself. we slept together in pairs as named above.

Dec 21 got up early and after breakfast strolled about Town until Court called when I went up into the room where I spent the entire Day and evening except when taking my meals. rained a good part of the Day and is much warmer. at the Dismissal of Court the Judge instructed the Prosecuting Attorney to send all his witnesses not absolutely indispensable home. I with several others were among the fortunate ones. we Drawed our Certificates (late as it was) the judge instructing the Clerk to pay us for all the time it would take us to get home. he accordingly gave us 6 75/100 Dolls each. we then repaired to the Hotel Paid our Bills (that were moderate) and at 11 O'clock went orderly to Bed.

Dec 22 Clear at sunrise. waked up and found ourselves still in New Lisbon but after taking breakfast we went to Rail Road and took the cars for Leetonia where we arrived Safe at ½ past 8 O'clock. here we were forced to wait until almost noon before we could get the train to Salem. arrived at home promptly on time where I found our family well But Sad enough which was soon accounted for by the announcement of the Sudden Death of my Dear little grand daughter at Eleven O'clock last night. how can I reconcile myself to the loss? she was so precious and beloved by us all. was so intelligent playful and interesting. had become so endeared to me that I now feel unable to part with her but Death is inexorable no anguishing heart or sympathizing can stay his relentless hannd. Knowing this it becomes me to "bear and not repine". I must now go Down to Daughters and comfort her all I can but there is no Armor against fate early or late. we must all "pale captives yield to Death. went Down to see little pet she is beautiful in Death. did not stay long. could not.

Dec 23 Clear at sunrise but clouded up but no rain to Day. attended the funeral of little Margaret and oh how can I describe the Sorrow. Sis & Ed had a great number of sympathizers although the roads are almost impassible but we got back by noon. I spent a

portion of the afternoon in Town. Mark is hauling brick.

Dec 24 Cloudy warm wet. rained most of the Day. Sis & Ed Hise took Diner with us. Ed made pins for his Stable. I righted up things about the shop. Mark Drove but little was too wet.

Dec 25 Cloudy with a fine shower about 8 O'clock. after it cleared up Mark & I hauled 2 load of Brick came home by noon. Done nothing in afternoon. Sis & Ed is with us to night.

Dec 26 Cloudy with ice on the pavements but soon thawed off. warm & rainy through the Day. Sis & Ed with Aunt Mary Anne stayed all Day. had Oysters for Diner. warm and wet at 4 O'clock PM.

Dec 27 Cloudy & warm ground frozen a very little. got up in good time. Blacksmithed until breakfast. in forenoon Mark & I opened ____ new Brick Kiln. in afternoon hauled Brick. roads cannot be worse.

Dec 28 Clear & cool ground frozen some. Mark & I hauled Brick all Day. roads could not be worse. thawed a little. John Hunt made an assignment on yesterday. the large Safe Co of Canton (Deibold & Co) suspended yesterday likewise a heresay failure Doubtless.

Dec 29 Clear & warm most of the Day. Mark & I hauled Brick. roads very muddy but frost all out. finished our job of hauling brick. Margaret Sis and Nora walked over to grandmother Goulbourns and back to Day. Nora is at McMillens is going to stay all night. Belle is up Town attending a Dance. warm as we go to bed.

Dec 30 Clear & warm all Day as pleasant as middle of April. I spent most of the Day in Town. Mark hauled in some fodder and a load of boards for Ed Hise. ground my new hatchet. want to finish shingling myshop. mud is drying up in places.

Dec 31 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up and is warm all Day. Mark & I hauled one load of brick and then hauled Eds Barn timber from the mill and boards from lumber yard. I finished shingling my shop have it all complete now. mud is Drying up fast. got the truth seeker in its new Dress. it is complete I like it much.

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Jan 1 Clear warm and as pleasant as May. Ed Hise got his Barn raised to Day. I Done but little except to look on am not well enough to lift any of account. spent the afternoon in Town. Belle is up at a Dance to night.

Jan 2 Clear & warm as pleasant as May. Blacksmithed some. put in axe handle etc etc. fear the buds will Swell and get killed as we must have lots of cold weather before long.

Jan 3 Clear & a little cooler but still very pleasant to Day. Ed Hise & I tore Down and rebuilt our Kitchen fireplace & Mark tore out the old floor that has been worn out for some time. clear as a Bell as I write at 8 O'clock PM. got a Philadelphia Ledger from Wm Mercer.

Jan 4 Cloudy & colder. got up at 5 O'clock and carried my floor boards into the Dry for fear it would snow but it soon cleared off and remained fine all Day. I helped Ed a part of the Day. Mark hauled fodder. Levi Straghley called in and spent the evening with us. clear & cold at 9 O'clock.

Jan 5 Cloudy with some prospects of rain. Nathan Folk assisted me & he & I laid an excellent oak floor in our Kitchen. Mark hauled 4 loads of fodder. raining a little at 4 O'clock PM. got our floor Done at 3 O'clock. I loaded 2 loads of fodder. Paid one hundred Dollars in Bank.

Jan 6 Cloudy & some colder. snowed a very little. I worked all Day in our Kitchen putting in wood work & Plastering. Mark went to Mill hauled one load of Brick & one of coal. thawed a little roads some muddy. will freeze a little to night.

Jan 7 Clear and cool. ground froze this morning. Mark hauled a small load of brick and a load of coal in forenoon. in afternoon he & I hauled fodder. I served a notice on Robt R Lowery to vacate lot 144 Tolerton & Kidds Addition to Salem Premises he bought of me 3 years since and has failed to pay as agreed to & I cannot afford to lay out of the money. must have at least the rent.

Jan 8 Cloudy and threatens rain. Mark & I haul fodder all Day. brot Butchering ____ from Straghleys want to Butcher on Monday next. Jerrod Gates Barn burned no cause of fire known.

Jan 9 Cloudy & wet rained all Day. I patterned in the Shop Doing up little jobs. mended Buckets and other schores to pass away the time. Mark & I fixed up gallows on which to hang our hogs. laid Down to rest late afternoon fell asleep and slept off and on all night.

Jan 10 Cloudy & colder with strong northwest wind. ground froze hard splendid Day to butcher. Tom Post & Fitz Allen Brady are helping us. got them all cut up and Salted

before night have nice meat certain. grows colder all Day.

Jan 11 Cloudy & cold roads froze solid. helped Margaret render out the lard. got the Sausage (90 lb) chopped. I bought a Barrel of Pittsburgh Salt low only cost 1.65 nice Salt too. cold all Day.

Jan 12 Cloudy cold and Stormy. Mark & I helped Ed Hise get his logs out of a Swamp in which he felled the tree. had quite a job of it but we rather enjoyed it after all. in afternoon Mark hauled the logs to mill. I took our Sow Down to Hendricks & brot her home again. cold all Day roads rough. Belle is at the Dance to night.

Jan 13 Cloudy and cold snowed a little. shod 2 of our horses. spent a portion of the Day in Town trying to arrange affairs with Robt R Lowery. gave him until Saturday to find Bail for rent otherwise give up the Premises. Mark hauled a load of hay for Charles Grisell. Henry King in Town to Day.

Jan 14 Cloudy & cold. Mark hauled 4 loads of Manure from Extines. I spent a portion of the Day in Town. shod Eds horse all round. went Down to buckeye and selected out and piled up a quantity of wrought scrap iron that I am exchanging. cost scrap for

Jan 15 Clear & warmer. tore my Old mowing machine to pieces and sold what I cannot make use of. got enough wrought iron for it to last me for years to come. wrought iron scrap is only worth ½ cent per pound. Mark hauled 3 loads of manure from Extines. got a couple of Barrels repaired in which to salt our beef. thawed a little that smoothed the knobs in the road and snowed a very little at one time this afternoon. threatened rain but cold prevailed and I am glad of it.

Jan 16 Cloudy & moderate. what little snow there is is soft this morning. made a new hold back strap for harness. Blacksmithed a little. finished a cane for T E Vickers and wrote a letter to Jacob Lease of Philadelphia. grows gradually warmer all Day. mark has gone up to Pats and Belle to Dallas Rentz to spend the Day.

Jan 17 Cloudy & warmer. Mark hauled fodder and manure. I spent a portion of the Day up Town. sent a letter to Jacob Leasen of Philadelphia. mud is getting deep.

Jan 18 Cloudy & wet. rained about all Day. I Blacksmithed making grates to cover cellar windows at Trinity Block. Mark is too unwell to work to Day. could not haul where he ever so well. got a letter from Geo Hise saying that Williams Hotel Burned on Sunday Morning last. fire was Discovered between Six& seven O'clock. Most of his Furniture was saved in a Damaged condition. Insured for two Hundred Dollars but was worth Six.

Jan 19 Cloudy warm & wet. wrote Geo Hise a letter and mailed it this morning. Blacksmithed some. Mark is better but still poorly. a little colder at sunset hope it will freeze up as the roads are too bad for any use. Belle is at the Dance to night.

Jan 20 Clear & cold ground froze hard this morning. finished one of my grates and took it uptown. got Charlie Wickline to come out on Butcher our Beef big job. I am tired of such work. thawed some but is freezing again to night.

Jan 21 Cloudy and cool. roads froze again this morning. Mark hauled manure in forenoon. in afternoon he hauled a load of coal to Wm Kemp. Charlie Wickline came out and cut Gibbons (174 pounds). thawed a little to Day but is freezing again to night. Salted our Beef.

Jan 22 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. Mark hauled coal. I spent the Day in town and Done but little. Paid off 200 Dollars of my indebtedness. Drew the money at Vickers (215 Doll). rained a little toward evening. Samuel Daviss Sons bought the Old Stratton Mill 3 miles northwest of Salem for 3 thousand Dollars cheap enough.

Jan 23 Cloudy & wet. worked in wood shop all Day making wheelbarrow for Paul Grizell. looked some for company but it threatened rain and is so muddy none came.

Jan 24 Cloudy and a very little colder with ground covered with snow. Blacksmithed until noon. went up Town met Robt R Lowery at Kennett & Ambler. had ____ article cancelled and he agrees to give me possible possession on April 1st 1876. he has had the property 3 years and is behind in rent say nothing of purchase money one hundred and Eighty seven Dollars which of course I lose.

Jan 25 Clear & cool. ground froze some. roads are about impassible. ground my axe & Mark & I cut sawlogs. Charles Grizell took Diner with us and went with Mark & I and helped us cut a log or two but he is tool old to Saw. thawed considerable this afternoon roads will be better tomorrow.

Jan 26 Clear & cool. Mark & I hauled a load of stone for foundation of Coal house at "Trinity Block". took a sett of wagon wheels up to Jesse's shop to get ironed. Mark brot home a load of manure. in afternoon we hauled in 9 Saw logs and hauled our Sawed lumber away from the mill. thawed a little in the Sun but none in the Shade.

Jan 27 Cloudy warmer & wet this morning. worked some in woodshop and some in Blacksmith shop in forenoon. in afternoon Mark hauled manure. I loafed round Town to little purpose.

Jan 28 Cloudy warm & wet. rained all night and about all Day. I worked in Shop can put in time there very Satisfactorily. Mark & I boated some stone in the rain to level up under shed at the shop. Nora came home from School wet to the knees & muddy roads cannot be worse. still warm at sunset with no prospect of freezing.

Jan 29 Cloudy warm & wet. went to Town this morning & sent a Post Office order for Sixteen Dollars to A E Goucher of Ravenna with which she is to buy a Silk Dress for Margaret. made a Diner bucket for Nora & helped Mark haul in some corn fodder. Mark

hauled our Poplar boards from the mill. awful muddy but at 3 O'clock PM it commenced to get colder and at sunsett ground is hard frozen. wind high & cold.

Jan 30 Clear & cold ground froze solid this morning. formed some at Coal house for "Trinity Block but I found it too cold to handle the square and William Howel coming out I spent the Day by the fire with him very pleasantly indeed. lent him Thomas Paines Political works to take home with him to read. thawed a little in the Sunshine.

Jan 31 Clear & cold ground froze hard. Mark hauled 2 loads of manure & one load of coal. I spent the Day in Town got a little money. Paid Phil Mathews Tax 15 72/100 Doll. Paid Tom Foster 5 Dollars. want to pay off my indebtedness as fast as possible. thawd the roads considerable to Day is freezing to night.

Feb 1 Cloudy & a very little warmer. Mark hauled coal I took Sow away & framed at my coal house. snowed a little at 1 O'clock but soon turned to rain. Margaret & Sis is at Town this afternoon and got wet coming home in 2 horse wagon with Mark. roads will be muddy enough if the frost comes out again.

Feb 2 Cloudy & cold. am too unwell to work to Day. wrote a letter to Elijah Lukens Fitzwatertown Montgomery Co Pa. Mark brot our hog home. sun Shone some and as this ground hog Day he saw his shadow and of course has had to return to his hole and stay there 6 weeks longer so say the Dutch. Belle went to Dance to night.

Feb 3 Cloudy & cold but pleasant winter weather. feel better this morning. shod Jont went up to John C Whinneys and milled out a silver quarter and made a fennel for my cedar cane. in afternoon went to the Buckeye and dressed out a nice cane from a piece of wood given to me by Arthur Bradford given to him by a Sailor who cut it in the East Indies. it is very handsome & heavy. I make a present of it to a Mr. Dole who is now studying Dentistry with John C Whinney and whose grandfather I knew 55 years ago and I believe is still living. snowing at bedtime. Mark is hauling manure.

Feb 4 Cloudy & cool with 2 inches of Snow. Ed Hise & I paved the cellar at Trinity Block. Mark hauled Manure. sun shone bright and is melting the snow. am resting this afternoon.

Feb 5 Clear & cool. spent most of the Day in Town. settled with or rather looked over Robt Hole & Geo Merediths account. Did not settle as there is some items to correct a little but not of much significance. got the Post Office order from Ravenna calling for 16 Dollars. Mark hauled coal one load to Stephen Adams and one for Ed Hise. thawed a little and roads are excellent.

Feb 6 Cloudy & warmer. all Mrs Walkers family visited us to Day had a good Days romp. gave Percy Wilson the elephant to take home with him. rained a little and thawed some all Day.

Feb 7 Clear & cool but will thaw to Day. Mark hauled fodder and a load of joice from mill in forenoon. in afternoon he hauled a load of coal. I framed some at my coal house and spent the afternoon in Town. thawed all Day roads very sloppy.

Feb 8 Clear & warmer though a white frost this morning. made one pair of Strap hinges for Ed Hises Barn and helped him hang the Door. framed at my coal house got it nearly completed. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal. roads are horrid muddy again. frost is all coming out again.

Feb 9 Cloudy warm & wet. Mark hauled coal. I finished framing my coal house. Mark hauled it up at noon & went for a load of coal but it rained so much I could Do nothing. read the Sun and came home in the rain. Martin L Young gave me a check for 25 Dollars for brick furnished him.

Feb 10 Cloudy & warm. Mark & I went up Town and raised our coal house in forenoon. I Paid Charlie Getz one hundred and 32 Dollars and 25 cents Due on June 1st 1876. at 5 O'clock our neighbors that we had invited began to call. Mr. & Mrs. Chessman & Daughter Joel & Sarah McMillen Geo Chessman & Lady Monroe Vickers and wife Sis & Ed Hise and Margaret Gordon composed the crowd. spent a very pleasant evening. Lawson Gibbons Son of Samule Gibbons Died this evening. still warm & wet as I write at 10 PM. got a letter from Elijah Lukens of Upper Dublin Montgomery Township Pa.

Feb 11 Cloudy warm and wet. Mark & I tore the inside out of the Barn up Town must now raise it up and repair the Sills that are some rotten. rained about all the forenoon. as I write at noon is still at it. ground never was fuller of water. in afternoon we tore Down the fence on south south side of lane took the Posts up to the Stable for Blacking up. brot up 2 screws with which to hoist it. rained considerable in afternoon but at sunset had about cleared off.

Feb 12 Clear & as pleasant as can be. Sun shines warm. spent a portion of the Day in Town. attended the funeral of Lawson Gibbons at 10 O'clock. in afternoon Mark & I raised the Stable and got it blocked up. must now get stone & sleepers.

Feb 13 Clear & warm. walked out to see Wiley Ward but he was not at home. took a walk Down the creek where I hunted the Cows fifty one years ago. then it was a wilderness. put the Bale on Noras Diner bucket and gave it a coat of varnish.

Feb 14 Cloudy warm and wet with thunder lightning and hard rain last night. is oppressively warm this morning unnerves one. Mark took a grist to mill and some live chickens to Boswell. I brot home a couple of planes and in afternoon Mark & I made a new watering trough for Barnyard. worked a little too hard for me.

Feb 15 Cloudy and a very little colder with just enough snow to show. Mark & I worked all Day at the water supply but Did not accomplish much. will try it again tomorrow must have it right if Possible. turned colder this afternoon and is freezing considerable to night.

Feb 16 Cloudy & cold wind about west all Day. Mark & I worked at the fountain most of the Day and I fear Done but little good. froze all Day and is cold to night. Aaron Wilson brot a man out to look at my Horses but he said they were one year older than he wanted to buy. Other wise he liked them much. Belle is off again to the dance again to night.

Feb 17 Cloudy and cold. Mark & I worked at the fountain but Done no good. will not put in iron pipe. spent a portion of the Day in Town. a trifle warmer at sunset. caught the thieves that Stole Tollertons sheep and Kisers hams and Philips Spare ribs.

Feb 18 Clear & warm in the Sunshine. I made 2 pairs of hinges for Ed Hise while Mark Dug out more of the fountain logs. I bought 28 ½ feet of pipe. we put that in and the water soon Started and runs finely. thawed considerable in the Sunshine but none in the shade.

Feb 19 Clear in morning but clouded up. is moderate winter weather thawed a little. I spent the Day in Town made a pattern for wagon box and engaged castings at the Buckeye. Mark went up to Pats this afternoon will be gone until Monday morning. I spent the evening at Joel McMillens Store. B F Underwood called in a few minutes he is to lecture in Town Hall tomorrow. came home at 9 O'clock.

Feb 20 Clear & pleasant all Day. am not well for 2 days past. went to hear Underwood. he Delivered a very sensible Discourse to quite a respectable sized Audience. Uncle Silas took Diner with us and smoked his Pipe. tapped the Sugar trees in the Dooryard for the first time (to please Nora).

Feb 21 Cloudy & warmer. Mark returned this morning. Ed Hise & I cut some logs and Mark hauled them into the Sawmill in forenoon. in afternoon we hauled a load of Stone up to the Stable I am repairing and brot home a load of manure. I screwed up and put foundation under Stable. rained at 8 O'clock PM and is very Dark.

Feb 22 Cloudy & colder. Mark hauled Kemp a load of coal in forenoon. in afternoon he boated Stone from Mrs. Tabors lot to the Stable in Town. I went to Buckeye and Ripped out a pair of axletrees for my One horse wagon. Wiley Ward came to work for me he is chopping to Day. thawed considerable. roads are muddy.

Feb 23 Cloudy & cold. too cold to work out of Doors. made 2 pairs of strap hinges for Ed Hise. got a letter from G R Johnson of Philadelphia answered it forthwith. wrote a letter to Eli Elliot of Iowa. Moses Townsend of Mercer County Ohio called on us. I showed him through the Buckeye & Galvanized iron works. he starts home tomorrow. Mark hauled us a load of Slack. Moderated a little at sunset but is still cold.

Feb 24 Cloudy & cold. made the Skenes for my new one horse wagon and ironed Levi Straghleys Plow single trees. the afternoon I spent in Town. Mark hauled Manure. too cold for Wiley to chop the last 2 Days.

Feb 25 Clear & cool. Wiley is chopping to Day. Mark hauled Manure & corn fodder. I Blacksmithed in forenoon. in afternoon went to Town. thawed and was very pleasant all Day. Nora is at Party to night at Mr. Hinkles.

Feb 26 Clear & very pleasant. Wiley is chopping. I burned brush in forenoon. in afternoon went to Town. Mark hauled manure got about enough on our sod ground. frost came out fast to Day.

Feb 27 Cloud warm & wet. rained considerable last night. I spent the Day in wood shop making a wheelbarrow for Warren Evans (Jonathans little son). rained all Day is very wet indeed. Mark brot our young Pigs up from the Barn & put them in the Pen.

Feb 28 Cloudy & warm threatens rain. Mark & I commenced moving Dooryard fence putting it up across the lane enclosing the grove. about noon it commenced snowing and fell so fast we were forced to quit. I went into the shop and made the wheel for the little borrow I am making. Snowed fast all the afternoon but just cold enough to prevent melting.

Feb 29 Cloudy with snow still here this morning. I ironed my little wheelbarrow and gave it a coat of paint. Mark is oiling the harness. I spent a portion of the afternoon in Town. freezing a little at sunset. go early to bed.

Mar 1 Cloudy & cold. ground froze this morning with roads as Bad as they can be. Done a little Blacksmithing but spent most of the Day in Town. had a talk with Vickers concerning leaving our Store room which they have determined to Day not notifying me until this morning. it leaves me in a bad fixbut I have no recourse. must Do the best I can. Mark is still oiling harness. cold and rough all Day.

Mar 2 Cloudy & cold. Mark Ed & I cut up the Blown down Poplar tree and hauled it to Sawmill in forenoon. in afternoon I went to Town. cold all Day. roads horrid rough.

Mar 3 Clear & very pleasant in the Sunshine. I spent most of the Day in Town. Mark chopped Down & cut up the 3 trees in the door yard that were in the way of the Hedge we contemplate setting out. in evening Nora & I went to Concert Hall to hear Goldham Fink Play the Violin. he is very expert but for me me makes miserable music. came home by moonlight.

Mar 4 Clear & cold. Mark & I hauled sleepers & boards up to Stable in forenoon. in afternoon helped E Hise move a fine Sugar tree out of our Door yard where it was no longer needed Down to his place. we got it on the Boat and hauled it Down with 2 horses it made a heavy load. we moved some more of our fence. Margaret & Nora walked over to Mother Goulbourns. Ed Hise took the Carriage & brot them home. roads are getting sloppy again. teams are busy hauling Ice. it is but 4 inches thick but is as good as it has been this winter. will freeze to night.

Mar 5 Clear & frosty. ground froze hard again this morning. made Sis Hise a pretty little Sewing table was busy all Day. sugar water ran well all Day.

Mar 6 Cloudy and warm sun shone at times. wind stirred pleasantly and mud Dried up fast. Mark & I moved our little Oak tree and two pines out of the Door yard also. we now have enough out. worked some at the fence.

Mar 7 Cloudy & wet. rained several slight showers through the Day. Mark & I worked at the fence until 3 O'clock when it rained so much we were forced to quit. finished the little wheelbarrow for Walter Evans it is nice enough. went up to the Buckeye and Saw the Centenial Engine running. it performs first rate.

Mar 8 Cloudy & slightly colder this morning. froze some last night is too rough out to make fence. we go to work at the Stable in Town. put in the entire Day at it am tired when night comes. took the little wheelbarrow over to Jont Evans for his little boy. it pleased him much although he is yet too little to use it. will soon grow to it.

Mar 9 Clear & partially cloudy at intervals thropugh the Day. Mark & I worked at the Stable in forenoon. thawed considerable and roads are very muddy indeed. in afternoon Mark & I hauled brick and brot a load of fence posts home from Town.

Mar 10 Cloudy & warm. Mark & I made fence all Day. rained a little. Wiley is still chopping. roads are awful bad. Phil Platen came out and got a load of Straw for himself for which he gives us manure. read the New York Sun it is hard on Beecher.

Mar 11 Cloudy & warm. Mark & I hauled one load of brick hauled in fodder. sett out plum trees pulled up stumps in corn field thus we put in the Day and at 5 O'clock I went to Town for my Papers. came home at ½ past seven. read the papers until about 11 O'clock before retiring.

Mar 12 Cloudy & warm. Cleaned up the door yard a little. carved a cane head for Milton Smith. Jesse Duck called out to get us to haul him some brick in the morning we will try. Aunt Mary Gee is with us to Diner. She walked over and Nora & her went to Baptist Church. raining at 3 O'clock PM.

Mar 13 Cloudy & cold with ground covered with snow. got up at one O'clock and brot our tree in. had to manage some as it was very heavy. came near getting froze. Mark and I worked at the Stable in Town. too cold to Do anything out of Doors. Spent a portion of the Day in Town. Old Stacy Cook Died Suddenly.

Mar 14 Clear & cold ground froze hard. Mark cut wood and threw it into the coal house. I worked some at the Stable and spent considerable time in Town. thawed some where the Sun shone but the air is cold all Day. Belle is up Town to night.

Mar 15 Cloudy & cold ground froze still. Mark is cutting up trash and getting oven wood. I worked at the gearing of my one horse wagon. cold all Day. Kopp raised his Barn to Day. Lavern Webb had a young horse Saddle & Bridal Stolen last night. he tracked the thief to Leetonia where he heard of his horse being at a Mr. Switzers where the thief had left him & took one of Switzers instead. Webbs horse being young and barefoot could not travel fast enough to get out of the way.

Mar 16 Cloudy & wet rained a good part of the night with raw wind. Bought the tire for both of my one horse wagons cost 7.29 at 3 cents per pound cheap enough. took it to Jesses he is going to hoop the wheels. in afternoon Mark & I hauled a load of bark to jesses to heat tire. had a big rain at 2 O'clock after which we hauled 250 Paving Brick to Jesse Ducks. roads are terrible. I worked some on gearing one horse wagon.

Mar 17 Cloudy and colder with ground covered with Snow. worked most of the Day at my wagon gearing and put a heavy bar of iron across Stable door to prevent my horses being taken out in Marks absence is now well fortified. snowed and blowed most of the Day and at times as hard as I ever Saw it Storm. could see scarcely a rod.

Mar 18 Cloudy & cold snowed and blowed much as it did on yesterday. I repaired harness, in evening I went Down to Joels to meet Mrs. Abbie Douglass of Chicago whom 25 years ago I knew as Abie Perry. she is little changed is Mother of 2 children.

Mar 19 Clear & cold sun shone in forenoon but in afternoon became hazy and thawed but little. we all stuck close to the fires. cold raw air all Day. Ed & Sis took Diner with us. other than that we were alone all Day. I wrote a letter to Wm Elkins of Philadelphia. Belle returned this evening after an absence of six Days. Margaret has been doing the work in her absence.

Mar 20 Cloudy raw and cold. snows and storms all Day thus far as I write at noon. I have been working in wood shop all Day. got considerable more Done at my wagon. Mark cleaned the Shavings out of shop put them in the Smoke house where they will be handy for Kindling. in afternoon went to Town. snowed from Southeast hard all the afternoon and at Dusk is Still at it. snow must be over a foot in Depth. Drifted in places to the Depth of three feet. the Citizens are getting several Car loads of coal by Rail Road. the roads are so bad it cannot be hauled from our own banks. Importing ice too from Lake St Clair Michigan. teams are busy all Day hauling it into Ice houses notwithstanding Storm. the ice is about 8 inches thick & very clear & hard.

Mar 21 Cloudy cold and still snowing a little this morning. Mark hauled 3 loads of coal one to Ed Hise & two to Don Crumrine. I accompanied him the first load. he hauled on the Sleds. sledding is pretty good plenty of Snow but the foundation is rough. Bought 15 ½ yards of Carpet at Theodore Watsons Sale cost 46 cts per yard Margaret thinks it cheap enough.

Mar 22 Clear & cold. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal on the Sled in forenoon. in afternoon

hauled a load on the wagon all for Daniel Crumrine. he gave me an order on Wm Eastman (treasurer) for the money. I spent the Day in Town. Margaret spent the Day at Sarahs with Several neighbors sewing carpet rags. she tells me she had a very pleasant Day of it. thawed considerable but will freeze to night.

Mar 23 Cloudy and snowing again this morning. Mark hauled coal. I spent the Day in Town until 3 O'clock. Abbie P Douglass of Chicago an old acquaintance of 20 years standing visited us with Sarah McMillen. we had a long talk about the great fire in Chicago in which she & her husband were great Sufferers. thawed considerable to Day but will freeze again to night.

Mar 24 Cloudy & cool. Mark hauled one load of coal home. in afternoon we hauled boards & brick. commenced to Storm about 3 O'clock and at Dark is still at it snowing Directly from the East. roads are sloppy again but will be shut up by morning.

Mar 25 Cloudy warmer & wet. Mark Oiled harness I finished the Stable up Town. rained of & on all Day thawed but little. growing colder again toward sunset. Sold Brick to Grafton Furnace (Geo Lucas engaged them) for 7 Dollars per M too little the way the Roads are. it is worth half that Sum to haul them. Margaret is poorly has the leg ache severely all Day. has Doubtless taken cold.

Mar 26 Cloudy & colder with a little more snow. made myself a pegging awl and ½ soled by Boots and gave them a greasing will Rosin & Tallow. Margaret is much better to Day. made the front bolster for my new wagon have the gearing about all Done now. Snowing a little all Day Does not thaw any.

Mar 27 Cloudy and moderate. 2 teams hauling Brick to Day. thawed and roads at noon are very sloppy as I write. Margaret is confined to her bed to Day. got our Car loaded with 5550 Brick and shipped them to Grafton Furnace Leetonia got Done in good time. Margaret is mending a little brot her a piece of Surloin Steak.

Mar 28 Cloudy colder and Snowing this morning. wrote a line to Henry King foreman of Grafton Furnace on the subject of Brick. took it to the Depot and gave it to the Conductor of Local Freight who promised to deliver it. spent the entire Day in Town as it rained all Day we could do nothing. got a letter from Jacob Lawson offering us a home in Philadelphia during the Centenial.

Mar 29 Cloudy cold and snowing this morning. can do nothing out of Doors to Day. for want of space on back page I omitted to record the meeting of Charles Griffing an Old Anti Slavery Friend that was once conspicuous in the Society. we had a long chat on by gone times with their events. Mark & I worked all Day in Blacksmith shop made 22 new horseshoes enough to last us 2 years. ironed a part of my wagon. Margaret is still poorly although she improves a little. Wiley got some meat and Potatoes. snowed a little most of the Day.

Mar 30 cloudy cold with more snow Down this morning and still falling as I write at ½ past seven. AM. Blacksmithed all Day getting my wagon pretty well along. snowed most of the Day none of us go to Town roads too bad. Margaret still improving. Nora is at Sis's her and the Comadore (her Dog).

Mar 31 Cloudy and cold. Mark has a bad cold is doing nothing much to Day. I worked at my wagon until 3 O'clock PM when I go to Town. Sat around at the buckeye works until night when I Sauntered home. Margaret is more poorly to Day.

Apr 1 Cloudy & cold ground froze some but not enough to bear up the wagon. Mark & I hauled John Dobbins 400 Brick and it was as much as we could Do the Roads are so horrible. Don Crumrine Paid his rent one hundred Dollars. I Paid Mrs. Englands interest 80 Dollars Paid it to Robt Thompson. Paid Tom Foster 9 18/100 Doll his shoe account. Spent the entire Day in Town looking for a chance to rent my room but found none. freezing again to night. Margaret is not so well to night. sent up for Rush he came out about nine O'clock and left medicine for her.

Apr 2 Clear & cold. Margaret had a hard night of it. her limbs pained her so she slept none and I but very little. I made a cane for Uncle Silas Howel all the Uncle I have left. at 7 O'clock Margaret is still suffering. went to the woods after limbs but found none to suit me too much snow. Uncle Silas came out and took Diner with us. Margaret is much better this afternoon. wind is howling out but is not cold.

Apr 3 Cloudy & some amiss this morning have taken some cold I suppose. Margaret is improving now. I spent the Day in Town. Election for Mayor contest between Mark Dunlap & Jesse Duck. Bought a keg of 8c nails cost 3 50/100 Doll. Margaret Still improving. got a letter from William L. Elkins of Philadelphia Proffering us a home while at the Centenial making 3 in al l that we have now.

Apr 4 Cloudy & Damp. Mark & I hauled 650 Brick to John Dobbins. the roads are so bad we were forced to make 2 loads of them. I sheated & shingled the coal house at Trinity Block. Mark Dug Ditch in afternoon in which to sett our hedge fence. got a letter from Wm Mercer of Philadelphia. Ed Hise got a letter from Aaron Henshilwood first we have heard from him for a long time. he is doing well as Conductor on a Freight Train that runs into St Joseph Mo.

Apr 5 Cloudy & cool but at sun rise looks as though it might be pleasant to Day. walked Down to Budd Forkers and got permition to move Wiley into one of his rooms for a short time. Sent Mark and the Team out and brot he & his house hold goods in. he is very poor indeed must try and hunt up something for them. I finished shingling myCoal house. wrote a letter to A E Henshilwood of St Jo Mo.

Apr 6 Clear & pleasant although the air is yet cool. laid the floor & put up the partitions in coal house in forenoon. in afternoon helped Mark haul Straw & corn fodder. pleasant all Day mud Dried up very fast. Margaret is better.

Apr 7 Clear & pleasant all Day. Mark took a load of lumber up to Brickyard and hauled manure the balance of the Day. I worked some at my wagon. paid Jonathan Evans 6 52/100 Doll I owed him for bacon. Paid Belle 50 cents. ground is Drying very fast. Bought 20 pounds of Dried Peaches cost 15 cents per lb. Bought a side of meat for Wiley Ward cost 248 cents per lb. bought a side of meat for Wiley Ward cost 248 cts.

Apr 8 Clear & pleasant all Day. Mark hauled a small load of Brick & Manure the Balance of the Day. I spent the entire Day in Town. showed Nora through the Galvanized iron works. Belle gone to Town.

Apr 9 Clear & pleasant all Day. worked at my wagon got it sett up. wrote a letter to Lewis Haines of Rootstown Portage Co Ohio offering him 13 Dollars per month and boarded to come and work for me this Sumer. Belle is up Town to Day. Margaret is mending slowly. Lib Wait cooked Diner for us.

Apr 10 Clear & pleasant. blacksmithed until breakfast and hauled Brick the balance of the Day Lue Gibbons helped me. Mark hauled fodder & plowed. Belle is Still absent I suppose with the tooth ache. Sis Hise is helping Margaret to Day. looks a little like rain at sunset. Settled with George Martin owed him 15 Dollars. gave him an order on Joel McMillen for that amount and Ballanced my Books.

Apr 11 Clear & Warm. I & Lue is hauling brick and Mark is Plowing. Belle is still absent at noon as I write expect we shall have to hunt some one else.

Apr 12 Cloudy. Both teams in the Oats field to Day. Mark sowed what he had Plowed and Lue harrowed it in. both teams plowed in afternoon. threatens rain at sunset. I spent the Day in Town. Belle is still absent.

Apr 13 Cloudy & wet. rained all forenoon. I worked in Shop ironed shafts & Singletree for my new wagon. in afternoon Mark & I hauled some brick. lots of water in the ruts. no Belle yet. Bought Margret Beef Steak.

Apr 14 Cloudy and a little cooler. I worked in shop most of the Day. Mark hauled off Stumps & Plowed sod ground. very windy in afternoon. went to Town with Ed Hise got some boards surfaced for each of us a wagon bed. rained a little.

Apr 15 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up. Mark Plowed all Day. I Blacksmithed until 10 O'clock the went to Town. spent the Day there Doing but little. Margaret is still poorly and without help. cannot find a girl to take Belles place for a few Days.

Apr 16 Cloudy. I worked at the wagon some to Day. Mark went up to Pats. some frozen rain fell in forenoon. Somebody grey hound killed and eat our Speckled Turkey right in the Door yard. he got a bullet through him Died with a full belly. Jesse Hise& wife called out a short time. cooler at sundown.

Apr 17 Cloudy & cool with a slight shower of frozen rain about Day light. I churned this morning for the first time for a long while. Margaret is trying to get our breakfast. must have a girl from somewhere if Possible. Both teams hauled brick to the Rail Road put 6000 on the Cars for Grafton Furnace. cold all Day. snowed some.

Apr 18 Cloudy & cool all Day. Lewis Haines came on this morning and goes to work at thirteen Dollars per month and boarded. him & Mark are busy plowing and harrowing in Oats. I settled with Ellwood Vickers Satisfactorily and he gave me a check for the amount Due me (139 87/100). took Black horse up for Robt Hole to Drive to his Hearse. he wants to trade for him but we Did not agree upon the difference I wanted 35 Dollars to boot while he offered me but 21 so we parted and so we will remain unless he comes to my terms. he Burried Old Geo Washington Hammond an Old Fugative Slave that had made his escape from Shanandoa Valley Virginia 25 or 30 years ago.

Apr 19 Clear & cool. went with Thomas Sharp & Joel Stratton to appraise a piece of land owned by Joshua Hilliard but in which his children by his first wife appears to have an interest independent of him. he has turned muly and is going to let it be Sold. we appraised one half (East) at 66 Dollars per Acre and the west half at 88 33/100 per Acre which is cheap. I hope he will not allow it to be sold from his children but there is no telling what he may Do. Mark & Lewis is plowing for Oats. cool all Day. I have worked but little.

Apr 20 Cloudy & cool. Mark & Lewis at work getting in the Oats. I helped Ed Hise move his hen house in afternoon we got it cleverly Started. Margret is still without a girl but she got Mrs. Warner to Do her washing & Ironing to Day. She can yet Do a good Days work. Nora took here home with Charlie and the new Buggy.

Apr 21 Clear and warmer. Mark & Lewis finished the Oats by noon. Mark hauled manure from Town in afternoon & lewis worked in Dooryard. I helped Ed Hise move his house got it to its place all right. I found a squirles nest in which were 2 nice young ones. I brot them to the house and feed them milk with a bottle. they seem to be doing well.

Apr 22 Cloudy but pleasant. Mark is hauling manure from Town to Day. Lewis is digging trench to sett the hedge in. I spent a good part of the Day hunting female help for Margaret but found none. came within a few minutes at one place but was that much too late. Bought 50 feet more clay ground fronting on East Broadway for one hundred Dollars. paid one third Down & pay the in one & two years with interest. clouded up and at sunset threatens rain and at 9 O'clock PM. rained a very little.

Apr 23 Clear cool and delightful this morning. Just heard of a young woman that wants a home. am going to hunt her up as soon as I get my breakfast. got home at 4 O'clock PM and brot my girl with me Ella Nora Hudlemire of Reading this County. cool air all Day.

Apr 24 Cloudy & cool. Mark hauled wood from Thomas Wilsons in forenoon. in

afternoon he sowed grass seed. Lewis & I hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon he dug out for flag walk & made 4 large beds in garden and sett out 4 quarts of Onion Setts tedious job. bought 1 ¼ bushels of Timothy seed cost 3 25/100 per bu.

Apr 25 Cloudy & cool. Mark hauled coal and wood. Lewis & I made line fence between us & Benj Hilman in forenoon. in afternoon Lewis Dug and I done Schores in Town. Bought Kemp a pair of gum Boots cost 3 50/100 Doll. warmer in afternoon but air still cool. Joel Stratton paid me for his Pigs 5 Dollars a pair.

Apr 26 Clear & pleasant but a white frost. hauled one load of brick and then we all three went to work at hauling the trees and setting out the hedge. got it all sett out took 58 trees cost 25 cents each 14 50/100 Doll in all. Mark plowed Ed Hises Potatoe patch and he got his potatoes planted.

Apr 27 Cloudy & warmer. at work at the Door yard to Day. hauled one load of Brick. Margaret is up Town at noon. hauled stone and filled up under the front walk. got all the hedge all fixed up nice and it rained a little on it just what it needed.

Apr 28 Cloudy & Damp rained some early this morning and threatens more. quite wet in forenoon. Lewis wheeled the coal ashes into the walk. Mark hauled boards & went to mill. I spent most of the Day in Town.

Apr 29 Cloudy & warm fine growing weather. I stuck up boards. Mark plowed and planted one Potatoe patch Lewis chopped up trash to burn in the stove. in afternoon we put 4 of the stone pillars under the Corn Crib. made a contract with Mr. Lineman (Catholic Priest) of Leetonia to put Down pavement on his lot bought of Thomas Spencer deceased. Paid Jesse Duck one hundred Dollars interest money. rained most of the afternoon but not enough to drive us from our work. gave Lewis an order to A Gailys for a Pair of Shoes.

Apr 30 Cloudy & cold. repaired my mattock and plow. done but little else. Simeon Stratton called out to buy a few Brick. Sat awhile by the fire as it is cold and with northwest wind blowing a gale and occasionally a little snow falling. cold at Sunsett. wrote 2 letters to Philadelphia.

May 1 Clear & cold ground froze this morning. I fear the fruit is injured. got up early and split out some wagon Spokes before breakfast. Lewis & I Burned brush until noon. in afternoon we hauled Brick. I Bought 2 Bolts of muslin cost 10 ½ cts per yard. clear & cool at sunset. paid Uncle Silas five Dollars for stone.

May 2 Clear & cold considerable frost. shod one of the horses. hauled brick in forenoon. Mark is Plowing Sod all Day. Lewis is burning brush this afternoon. Settled with Robt Hole owed him according to his figuring 39 Dollars. his charges are enormous or he should have owed me. bought a couple of very nice fresh fish of Wm Allen. Bought 70 cts worth of fence wire and Stretched it in front to keep the Cattle out of Door yard.

May 3 Clear & pleasant. blacksmithed until breakfast & then got out stuff for brick molds. in afternoon hauled brick. Mark finished plowing corn ground. clouded up and threatens rain.

May 4 Cloudy but no rain yet. Mark hauled Sand onto Catholic Lot for paving. Lewis wheeled sand and brick into cellar in Town in forenoon. in afternoon he went to Alliance to see a Brother who has his arm crushed by Coupling Cars. I worked at Brickmolds. Jake Hullet paid another months rent instead of moving out as he agreed to.

May 5 Cloudy with every appearance of rain. helped burn brush until 10 O'clock. went up to Buckeye and ground my hand axe. bought one Dollars worth of Sugar & 1 quart of seed peas. slept a good part of afternoon being unwell. Lewis burned brush all Day. rained some in afternoon. Mark hauled coal all Day and took a load of brick Down to coal bank.

May 6 Cloudy & warm with some rain last night. got up early and walked 2 miles before breakfast hunting my Turkeys but found them not. Shod Doll and hauled brick in forenoon. Mark is hauling Brick & coal loads Brick & coal loads both ways. Lewis is clearing up the Lane not before it needs it.

May 7 Cloudy & warm. got up breakfast but could see nothing of them. churned in less than 5 minutes. Eva Bennett Daughter of James & Mary Bennett is here to Day. came on yesterday to see Ella (who is a cousin) and stayed all night. I gave my wagon a coat of Paint. Done a little work on the Door yard. took Diner with Sis & Ed. came home and wrote a letter to F D Moulton of Brooklyn. Mark went up to Pats to Day & brot a young Dog home with him.

May 8 Cloudy & Dull. Lewis & I haul Brick and Mark hauled Sand. rained a little but not enough to Drive us indoors. Stephen Adams & Kemp are leveling the yard and getting things ready to make brick.

May 9 Cloudy & cool. Dull all Day but rained none of account. Lewis & I helped Ed Hise push Down the walls of Baldins Burn house. hauled brick the Balance of the Day. Mark is harrowing corn ground. we hauled a load of Cistern brick out to James Whinneys.

May 10 Cloudy & Dull with several showers of Drizzling rain through the Day. Lewis & I carted Dirt into lot at Brickyard. Mark harrowed and marked out corn ground. at 15 minutes past 11 O'clock the Town Bells all began ringing with Joyful peals and soon all the whistles at the machine shops joined in the glee announcing the opening of the Centenial Show at Philadelphia. they kept up the darndest racket for ½ an hour that was ever kept up in Salem I suppose.

May 11 Clear & pleasant. want to make a few brick to Day. am Doing what I can to get

ready. Mark is hauling Brick. have too much to Do in a Day but will fight it through. went to Williamsons Saw mill & bought a few plank for bridge at Brick yard. made one row of Brick this afternoon.

May 12 Cloudy & cool. Mark hauled Sand & Brick all Day. Lewis filled a Pit made a Days work of Brick. made very good ones generally. cold wind from plump north all Day. hope it will not clear off if it should while it is this cold. fruit will go up sure as guns.

May 13 Cloudy this morning no frost but still cool. made 4000 Brick. Mark hauled Sand and brick all Day. Lewis & I worked about the yard. cleared off is pleasant but still cool. Mead the Murderer broke jail last night and is at large.

May 14 Clear & cold with some frost. got up early gave my wagon a coat of paint before breakfast. garnet Lyon and a male companion whose name I have forgotten was with us last night. Dressed our paving stone. Belle Miller called on her way from new Lisbon I paid her 5 Dollars on account. Margaret & I were over to See Grandmother Goulbourn she is now very poorly. took Diner with them came home early & found Mr. Gordon here we had a fine chat. Benjamin Antrim Died at ten O'clock this morning is to be buried at ten O'clock on Tuesday next. much warmer at sunset. has been very pleasant all Day.

May 15 Clear at sunrise. got up early prepared ground and planted the poles for Lima Beans. Margaret planted them. collected a little money in forenoon. rained considerable in afternoon. made 4000 Bricks. Mark got the ground ready and commenced to plant corn at noon but the rain hindered them so they got but little Done. looks wet to night as I write at ½ past 7. sent a letter to Rev E W J Lindesmith of Leetonia containing the Bill for making Pavement before the Catholic lot of East Main St (4483).

May 16 Cloudy & warm with lots of rain. sawed Down and peeled our white oak tree of which we intend to make fence posts. Mark plowed for Ed Hise. Lewis & I hitched up the Colt (Prince) for the first time. we hauled a small load of Brick with him & Charlie he performed well. Benj Antrim buried to Day. he was one of the pioneers tho he may have been born in this County of which he has been a resident for at least 70 years. I paid Jesse Duck 60 Dollars interest money. Paved Cellar at Crumrines under Trinity Block.

May 17 Cloudy & wet with lots of rain last night. ground wont do to plant corn under a week at least. I am working at a gate for end of lane. Lewis has a touch of Ague and is idle to Day. Mark & I hitch up Colt took a few boards up to planning milland ripped them into palings. Colt Done well. rained a heavy shower at 10 O'clock AM. placed up my palings and Mark & I hauled a load of Stone for foundation for Coppocks Monumnet. rained hard at 5 O'clock PM.

May 18 Cloudy & wet. got up at 3 O'clock went up to Brickyard and brot out my handsaw. cut top of at Locust tree and after breakfast Mark & I sawed it Down. I made 3 gate posts out of it. Mark & Lewis piled up the manure in barnyard. Joseph Stanbury

paid me 20 Dollars on acct. Mr. Lindesmith paid for his pavement 44 83/100 gave Margaret 20 Dollars of it.

May 19 Cloudy & wet. Stephen Adams & I went up to Cemetery to rub Coppocks Monument but I soon had to come back to Brickyard and load Brick. 4 teams came form the country and kept me there until noon. rained considerable in mean time. I went back to Cemetery in afternoon found Stephen Adams & Wm Kemp (Collored) both there. they worked faithfully rubbing allthe afternoon. I laid out the letters of Edwin Coppock on the shield on the Shaft. Wm Hinchcliffe willcut them tomorrow and we will try to put it to its place. Mark & Lewis piled manure In Barnyard have an almighty pile of it.

May 20 Cloudy & wet rained hard last night but sun shines at 6 O'clock AM. John Gordon and I raised Coppock's Monument to Day. we had 4 or 5 Different ones to assist us just as we happened to need help. I Borrowed tackle of the buckeye and without it we could not have raised it. one of the Blocks weighed 4700 lb and both the others were nearly as heavy but we succeeded in getting it all up complete and it looks well. William Hinchcliffe cut the name on for us and it looks well. no rain to Day and the mud has Dried up fast. John Gordon took Diner with us. Mark & lewis hauled brick all Day. Margaret spent the Day in Town preparing for the Centenial.

May 21 Clear & pleasant this morning but soon clouded up and rained again. blacksmithed al Day at wagon for Ed Hise got it ready for a coat of Paint. no company to Day. am tired at sunset go early to bed.

May 22 Cloudy and threatens rain. got up early and made hinges for front gate before breakfast and to put in the time am making record of it while Margaret settles the Coffee. put on clean Duds and went up to Robt Justice and got measured for Centenial Suit. rained hard in forenoon and turned much colder in afternoon. Spent most of the Day in Town. Mark & Lewis hauled brick & manure. too wet to plant anything. got check from Grafton Iron Co for 80 85/100 cents. Deposited one hundred and fifty Dollars for Centenial expenses.

May 23 Clear & cool. hung front gates before breakfast. hauled and sett brick made 4000. clear & cold all Day. will be some frost to night certainly.

May 24 Clear & cool. got up early & churned before breakfast. planted our corn to Day. was warm and pleasant. I spent the Day at the Brickyard expecting teams for Brick but none came. I sett a few and the hands made 4000. a little cloudy at sundown but will not rain to night is too cool.

May 25 Clear & pleasant. hoed garden until breakfast. spent the Day at Brickyard. sett what brick I could without help. Mark & Lewis Planted the Potatoes we have all planted now. made 4000 Brick. weather is now pretty good.

May 26 Clear & pleasant. Mark hauled Stone and Brick. Lewis & I sett brick made

4000. weather fine as can be. stuck our peas.

May 27 Clear & warm. got up at ½ past 3 & churned & then dressed paving stone until breakfast. Lewis & I painted the Roof at Trinity Block. he gave out it was so hot. I stuck to it but it worked me hard. am very tired. made 4000 Brick.

May 28 Clear & warm. Blacksmithed some this morning. put fastening to front gate. Nora Ella & Johny went out to Ellas home. Margaret & I went out to Hal Arners spent the afternoon very pleasantly indeed. all got home in good time.

May 29 Cloudy and very pleasant. got up at ½ 3 and walked around enjoying myself. want to go to Warren to Day. Started with Dolly and Simeon Gee (we hitched to his Buggy) left Salem at ten minutes past 7 O'clock. arrived in Warren in exactly 3 hours. put the Mare in Mr. Austins Barn & he with his own horse & Buggy took us out to the Stone quarry. such hosts of pretty stone I never Saw. Started home ½ past 4 arrived at 8 all right. we spent 6 hours in Warren looking around. pretty Town. cloudy at sunset.

May 30 Cloudy with Dense fog in morning but soon cleared off and is warm and pleasant. cut Stone until about noon. spent the afternoon in Town Being Decoration Day. Town was full of folks think we never had so good a turn out. almost every house on main & Broadway was very elaborately Decorated. all passed of quietly. Mark worked the Potatoes in forenoon. in afternoon went to Town. Lue lost his whole Day.

May 31 Clear & warm. Setting Brick to Day. Mark is hauling wood and Brick. had a fine shower here on the farm and but little South or north. cooled the Atmosphere which became sultry.

Jun 1 Clear warm. no rain about this June morning. sett brick. went to Rail Road to See fast train. going to California in 84 hours from New York. she past here on Time 12 40. made 4000 brick weather fine for that now.

Jun 2 Cloudy. got up early went up to Town & Bought a little beef Steak for breakfast. replanted our corn. sett Brick. Mark hauled wood & Brick. rained tremendous hard and blowed as hard at 5 O'clock PM. made 4000 brick & got them wet. got a load of new covering boards just in time to use them. Eb Allen of Winona sent them. Mark & Lewis got wet.

Jun 3 Cloudy & wet. Mark & Lewis plowed for sowed corn until noon. rained hard and got too wet. Mark went to Mary Bennetts & got one hundred cabbage plants & we set them out. I spent the Day in Town collected a little money and paid it out to my Brickyard hands. cooler in evening.

Jun 4 Clear & cooler. think the rain is over for present. finished cutting stone for walk. churned & stuck boards etc etc. Josephine Walker her sister Kate and Susan Bennett visited us to Day. I was rather Dull all Day.

Jun 5 Clear & fine. got up early went to Isaiah Barnes and bot 16 Tomatoe Plants. sett them out & planted sweet corn before breakfast. Mark & I went to Stone quarry and brot home 2 step Stone in forenoon. in afternoon Mark hauled Sand from St Clair Travis's. I cut stone and hauled a few brick. raining as I write at 8 O'clock PM.

Jun 6 Cloudy & Dull. rained a little last night. made 4000 Brick. I helped Wiley sett his Posts in forenoon. Mark hauled Sand & Brick. Lewis worked on the roads. in afternoon we all three worked at home put the Stone under the Crib & made place to turn our Sow out. cleared off and is fine this afternoon. spent the evening in Town. clear & moonlight.

Jun 7 Clear & warm fine Brick Day made 4000. Mark hauled Brick & Sand. Bot 6000 shingles at Buckeye at 3.00 per M. helped Wiley fence my lot where he lives. Lewis made fence & helped at the yard. quite warm this afternoon.

Jun 8 Clear & cool. got up early & churned. laid a pick for Joe Mills before breakfast. Mark & Lewis is working the corn. I sett brick. made no Brick to Day. getting tired make all kinds of excuses to get off a Day.

Jun 9 Clear cool and pleasant. got up early & worked in garden until I am tired as I write waiting for breakfast. Mark & Lue hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon worked corn. I worked at the yard all Day. had a fine rain at 4 O'clock PM. had our Dry brick all under cover so that the rain injured us none. in evening attended meeting taking initiory steps toward paving Main Street. appointed on a committee to ascertain the wishes of the Property holders on the street in regard to the matter.

Jun 10 Clear & warm. got up early churned and blacksmithed before breakfast. spent the Day in Town. collected some money and paid it to the Hands. Planted our sowed corn. Lewis quit and went home. says he will come back but I Doubt it.

Jun 11 Clear & warm. got up early. after breakfast took Doll and new Buggy Nora Gip Walker & myself went to Ellsworth and got some Isinglass. Dug it out of the Toughest nut I ever Saw. came back past Jim Bennetts left Gip there & Nora & I came on home. am some tired and a good deal sleepy shall take a nap. slept most of the afternoon. go early to bed. is very warm.

Jun 12 Clear & warm. got up early and churned. made Ella a milking Stool. making no brick to Day as Kemp is sick. Sam Gibbons took the Brickyard team and hauled brick in forenoon. Mark is hauling wood from Thos Wilsons. I loaded brick in forenoon. in afternoon went along main Street with J M Brown Soliciting names to an agreement to pave Main Street with ____ Stone. succeeded well.

Jun 13 Clear and warm. Spent the Day at brickyard made 4000. Mark hauled wood. Our little Pet Dog Comadore Dies Suddenly to Day. was taken with Spasms and Died in a few minutes he was Down at Sis Hises at the time. we shall miss him much. Sold no

Brick to Day. Dull now.

Jun 14 Clear & as pleasant as can be. got up in good season brot up the Cows. sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon Done Schores about Town. Mark hauled wood. made 4000 brick.

Jun 15 Clear and partially cloudy through the Day. finished up my new One horse wagon. hitched Jont to it and took our broken Cradles down to Franklin Square to get repaired. got back by noon. spent the afternoon in Town. Mark & Wiley worked corn. made 4000 Brick.

Jun 16 Cloudy & threatens rain but none fell. Mark & Wiley worked corn. I hauled brick in forenoon. repaired horse Stall and went to Town towards evening. heard the nomination of Gov Hays of Ohio for President. am well suited as his record is clear.

Jun 17 Cloudy & pleasant. churned before sunrise. made nails and Shod Jont. rained some this morning but soon held up & Mark & I hauled brick until noon. collected 50 Dollars of Edwin Lease Paid 44 of it to John Satterthwait the Balance to my hands. Mark hauled Sand and brush. took the contract to put Down pavement for Brainard Do the entire job for seventy Dollars. the Brick to be 5 feet wide leaving a space of about one foot between them and fence. attended a meeting for paving Main Street.

Jun 18 Clear & cool. sett out cabbage plants shod Charlie. went over to Robt Tolertons get him to sign agreement to pave Main Street with Warren Stone he signed. Mark is up to Pats. Geo Johnson of Philadlephia called and spent a few hours with us. Margaret is over to Mother Goulbourns to see her for the last time before Starting to the Centenial.

Jun 19 Clear & cool quite windy. Mark & two other Teams hauling Dirt from Brooks Cellar filling up Brickyard. I assisted what I could got along fine. made 4000 Brick. Tom Post quit to Day is going up to Oil City to work. I got Wm Stringfellow to take his place. attended another Street meeting this evening.

Jun 20 Clear & no prospects of rain. got up early and planted garden. brot the cows bought beef etc etc. spent the Day in Town fixing up & getting ready to start to Centenial. expect to start at 10.30 to night. have arranged things so that Ed Hise can run the concern until I return. Johny has just come in with he & I each a new suit of clothes. now we have nothing to Do but eat supper fix up and be off at ½ past 10 PM. Mark hitches to carriage and we all take leave of home and folks and hie away to Station and at 11 30/00 we are off. found the cars pretty well filled up but we finally procured seats. Nora & Johny amused themselves looking out at different objects that were interesting to them and when we reached Pittsburgh Nora was slightly sick. here we had to change Cars for Philadelphia. we were obstructed in our passage from Car to Car by the throng and by the time we got in found it already crammed to repletion but the Conductor told us to fight our way into seats as there were enough of them in the Car if they were properly divided so we soon scrounged ourselves into seats and was comfortable. Day dawned

soon after leaving Pittsburgh and we had a fine view of the country as we passed through it. that portion lying between Johnstown and Harrisburgh being especially interesting. had a grand view of the Allaghanas and horseshoe bend as it is called. can see both end of the train as we round it. took Diner at Altona and soon were off down the Juniata where the scenery is magnificent. arrived at Harrasburgh where we stopped a few minutes and Nora and I got out and walked about for exercise she being a little sea sick but soon we were off for the City and in due time came in sight of the Centenial buildings. the Train ran along side where some of the Passengers got out but we went to the Station put our trunk into the charge of the Union Transfer Company. took Market Street Car and at 15th Street changed Cars and went up 15th to 1614 where we all got out safe and without then least trouble. rang the door bell and was welcomed in by Sarah Loeser Jacobs eldest daughter they were expecting us. we were soon introduced to the rest of the family and began to feel ourselves at home. Margaret & I walked down to Gilbert Street below Brown & between 9th and 10th to See Uncle John Loeser. found him well and happy. after spending a short time with him & Lizzie (hisdaughter) we returned to Jacobs and soon went to bed as we were some tired. our trunk did not arrive until 10 O'clock after we had retired.

Jun 21 after a good nights rest I arose early washed and looked about the lot that is beautiful. helped carry the trunk up Stairs it seemed heavy and when Margaret tried to unlock it found to her dismay that it was not our trunk. this created some uneasiness lest ours had been carried to some Rail Road Station or perhaps got on board a vessal and might at this very moment be on the way to Europe. I went directly to the chief office in corner of the Continental Hotel corner of 9th and Chestnut where I obtained assurances that it would be hunted up and the mistake rectified at once. Johny & I went over to the Centenial grounds (Margaret and Nora being too tired to go) where we saw so much that words fail me when I would describe them. to me it is perfectly marvelous. being some unwell I could not enjoy perfectly. soon made our way to Buckeye Engine where I found John Noosebaum. the Engine was doing charmingly and attracting considerable attention. I got very tired and came home in good time. found our trunk still among the missing and Margaret & Nora uneasiness on the increase. went early to bed slept soundly.

Jun 22 arose refreshed and after breakfast we all went with Jacob to look at one of his new houses he has for Sale. it is a magnificent house with all the modern improvements. has a fine lot and beautifully laid out and is splendid order. is valued at 4,000 Dollars. from here Jacob & I to see if I could hear ought of our Trunk that is still among the missing and on reaching the Main Office found to my joy that the mistake had been ferreted out and the change was at that moment being made. this of course relieved me much and Jacob & I then Strolled up Chestnut Street that resort for the fashionable who do in a great measure as we did stop at the windows and look the vast display of fancy articles over without the remotest idea of purchasing any of them. they are evidently put there to attract attention and most effectually is the object accomplished. among the many fine buildings we Saw is one as yet in unfinishedState on the corner of 15th & Chestnut being erected by the young mens Christian association which when completed will be one of the grandest buildings in the City. how the rearing of such temples is to promote

Christianity I confess I do not see. tradition tells us the founder had not where to lay his head and according to my idea of the man I think were he here now he would not only refuse to lay his head but would refuse to put his foot in it. I was told that Moody and Sankey were collecting funds with which to complete it by taking up collections at their so called religious revivals but I am digressing and must return to my story. from 15th & chestnut we went up to the Public Building as it is called that is in process of erection at Broad and Market. is built across both streets its dimensions I did not learn but it is very large and when completed (which will take several years) will doubtless will be the largest and most expensive building in the City. the Stone used in its construction came from Amherst Ohio. they were putting one to its place while we were there that weighed 32 Tons. it will be entirely fire proof. I must not omit the mention of the Masonic Temple that stands in the immediate vicinity and is at the present the finest and handsomest building in the City. from here we returned home and found the trunk had arrived all right and Margaret & Nora happy. in afternoon I hunted up Addie Shoemaker a Cousin of mine. she lives on 13th below Oxford street which is close to our home. her little Son returned with me and took Nora & Johny home with him where they could enjoy an afternoon of pleasant pastime thumping the Piano etc. Margaret & I called there a few minutes on our way down to see Uncle John. found him well as usual. left Margaret there and I walked down to corner of 4th and Callowhill where I found Samuel French (who once lived in Ohio) and Casper Hillman. the former did not recognize me for a moment but when he did seemed pleased to see me as we were intimate friends in Ohio many years ago. he has since then amassed a fortune and is still adding thereto making it from appearances the Sole aim of his life. from here I returned to Uncle Johns and after tea we returned and in our way to our lodgings called at Addies for the children. Nora wanting to take a walk she and I walked Down Broad Street as far as Spring Garden Institute which Satisfied us both. we here turned and started for home when we arrived found that Flo Johnson had been over to see us. feel ashamed that I had not hunted her up before now but have been so busy I could not. will try and do so in the morning. retire at nine.

Jun 23 arose early worked and opened the window blinds that I may enjoy the fresh morning air and have light to see to write my little diary for pastime and future reference. at 9 O'clock took Steam Cars at 9th and Columbia Avenue and all of us went over to Centenial grounds. Spent the Day in main building. would be idle in me to attempt to describe on paper what we saw there. my impression now is that each Civilized Naion on the globe has vied with each other to see which could surpass in gorgeousness of Display of articles of the most costly and exquisite workmanship that can be conceived of. If I was forced to decide which was the finest I should say they had all succeeded. further than this I cannot say as that small portion of the English language with which I am familiar affords me no words by which I can convey an idea of their grandness. however men can find the time and patience to do the carving on some of those Chinese exhibits I cannot tell. it would seem to have taken a life time were that as long as Methusala. after getting very tired (which does not take long) we took Cars back to the City. called in to Flo Johnsons and took tea after which we went to North Penn Depot corner of 3rd & Berk Street where at ½ 6 we took the Cars for Edghill Station. from here we were forced to walk over to Elijah Lukens having sent them no word. they were not looking for us

consequently had no conveyance at the Depot for us. it was quite dark when we arrived. found no one about but Elijah his wife being absent at a neighbors but she soon returned. got us a cup of tea and a bite as late as it was. we were too tired to stay out of bed and retired at once.

Jun 24 I arose early went down to the Creek (Sandy run) and took a good wash the water being clear and cold. walked up onto Camp hill where I cut a couple of young hickorys of which I intend to make Uncle Silas at least one cane. he will sett great store by it coming as it does from the tract of land on which he spent most of his younger days. Picked up 3 land turtles carried them down to the house that Nora & Johny may see them never having saw anything of the kind. after breakfast we walked over to Joseph Lukens found them well and apparently pleased to see us. invited us into his Old Stone Mansion that bears evidence of great age. Joseph tells me he has no data by which to determine how old it is but has no doubt it was built during Penns life time by some of the colonists that came with him. It has been in the Lukens family a great many generations handed down from father to Son. here I had the exquisite Satisfaction to find among other old relics Grandfather Howells Old Bible Printed and published in 1768 from which I coppied the Geneology of the Howell family running back as far as 1721 including the birth and death of my Great-Grandfather John Howell all of which can be found in our own family Bible. at noon Margaret & I came back to Elijahs and took Diner leaving Nora at Josephs as here was a Gouton on which she could play for her own amusement. after diner Elijah and I took a walk over Camp hill (Johny with us) as it is very warm we soon returned and I laid down on the bed and took a nap of Sleep from which I awake feeling much refreshed. at about 5 O'clock Margaret & I returned to Josephs to tea. Spent the evening very pleasantly on the porch in social chat. at nine we retired feeling first rate but about midnight Margaret was attacked with Diarea it its most malignant form and by daylight is so exhausted is scarcely able to get down stairs.

Jun 25 as I write this she is resting comfortably on the Sofa but is weak and weary. we shall be compelled to stay here until she recruits as she is quite to weak to think of returning to the City to Day as we contemplated when we left it. Johny has gone on the 8 O'clock train and we will follow him on the morrow should Margaret feel able. Do not like to loose the time from Centenial but see no help for it now. Mailed a paper to Uncle Silas and loitered over the fields and highways and byways. looked the grist mill over and walked up the creek by which it is turned. has 13 feet of fall and a good supply of Spring water with dam enough to hold a Days Supply which is filled up at night so that I judge they can be run every day. looking around among the many lime kilns and witnessing the quarrying of the lime Stone the Supply being abundant. Margaret is improving fast and by tomorrow hopes to be able to return to the City. spent the evening very pleasantlyand retired about 10 O'clock.

Jun 26 slept Soundly and awakened feeling all right. Margaret rested first rate and is feeling so much better that we shall be off for the Centenial soon as possible. accordingly after eating a hearty breakfast here comes Elijah at 7 O'clock with his Carriage according to appointment to take us to the Depot. (I walked) as I wanted to see the fields that look

fine. wheat is very nice. at 8 O'clock we took Cars at Edgehill and in a few minutes landed in the City all safe. went directly to Floras according to previous arrangement where Margaret and Nora will spend the day. I came over to Jacob Loesers where I found Johny who had preceeded us from Sandy Run 24 hours. I hunted up and called on Martha Hilman but did not spend much time with her. she is evidently dissatisfied with her home in Ohio as compared with the luxuries of Philadelphia. should not be surprised if she should not return to Ohio for some time if at all. returned to Jacobs for Diner and in afternoon he and I went down Town to Golipsees Brickyard where they by machinery were making 70 bricks per minute. they have already this season sold 3 ½ million delivering as many as 120,000 in one day. they gave me a specimin pressed Brick that I intend taking home. as the clouds look threatening & the workmen about the yards commence adjusting the shed boards (that had been removed to admit the sunshine to the Bricks) we concluded to make the best of our way home. succeeded in getting a Street Car just in time to be in the dry when it rained hard but as we had some distance to go it was all over before we got out of the Car so that we were in no way inconvenienced by the rain. the air was but little cooled for it is still hot and sultry. went around and took tea with Flo which seems more like home than anywhere we go. she looks so natural and is just what she always must be warm hearted innocent and altogether lovely. On my way over I called into Matilda Schells Millinary Store and made myself known to her she being a daughter of Aunt Susan Elkins and consequently a Cousin a mine. of course she was surprised and pleased to see a Cousin from Ohio who had dropped in so unexpectedly. gave me a cordial invitation to call again and bring my family with me which I promptly consented to without the least expecting to as we have already more engagements than our limited stay will allow us to fulfil. on my way back to Jacobs I came across ____ Gordon who had but just arrived and was about played out for want of Sleep. we took a short walk together as we could not well resist the inclination being warm friends but we soon separated he to his lodgings and I to mine. On my way I bought a nice willow basket in which we intend to carry our diner to the Centenial grounds as almost everyone else does the prices for lunch there being so exhorbatant that none save the very rich and the reckless of their money can indulge in them and we belonging to neither of the above named class are going to husband our limited means by providing our own repast. Mr. Gordon and others will club with us and we will have a fine social Diner to ourselves.

Jun 26 arose early and after breakfast went over to Flos found Margaret & Nora first rate. Nora has found Bessie Rush and both are happy all going over to Centenial together. John Gordon & I filled our basket with cakes, pies berries etc etc and at 9 O'clock we were all off for Centenial Floras Mother accompanying us. we spent the entire Day and at 4 O'clock are very tired. raining some in afternoon but does not seem to cool the air as it is still hot. am getting tired of the show although we have now saw one tenth of it. returned to the City about 5 O'clock on our way to Jacobs all three of us. Called on Mrs. Schell a few minutes. she is quite busy in her store as several customers called during our few minutes stay. being very tired we made our way home and shall not go to Centenial ground tomorrow. one day at a time is as much as Margaret & Nora can stand. go early to bed and hope to rest well but the weather is so hot it seems impossible.

Jun 27 arose quite refreshed. washed and sat by an open chamber window and jotted down the days doings as I do not want to get behind with my little journal. after breakfast I went down into Federal Street where I found Charlie Stratton who was to all appearances glad to see me. here too I found Josephine Walker and Rebecca Simpson who are going to sail for England on July fourth from New York. made an appointment to see them again on Sunday. Charlie accompanied me on my way back to Jacobs as far as Baltimore Depot where I took 15th street car for home. arrived there found our folks had gone to spend the afternoon. I called over and Johny and I went Down Town as we want to see much as possible. on Broad street we saw the Orange Procession pass. how many were in it we of course had no means of ascertaining but we counted 21 Brass bands that headed as many sections of the Procession and was at best an hour passing a given point but for the Soul of me I could not see what it amounted to. I could see neither money nor comfort in it but perhaps I am obtuse. we returned to Addies for Diner after which (Johny not caring to go) I went down to no 129 Arch Street where I found Cousin William Elkins who expressed astonishment at not having saw me sooner I having promised to report by the 22nd. I of course had to apologise as best I could and promised to go Directly to his residence and report myself at once and leave orders to have the horses & carriage in waiting by his return at 5 O'clock and it being the hour of meeting of the City Council and he a member he was under the necessity of leaving me at once but would meet me as above mentioned and I must be on hand. we parted at the corner of 3rd and Arch Street he to his business and I to mine. Called in at John Gilberts Drug store between Vine & Callowhill on 3rd but he being absent in the Country I saw him not. from there I went to Old Independence Hall where among the Portraits of the Revolutionary Fathers. I found the portraits of the Immortal Thomas Pain. the sight of it filled me with Delight for to whom one we so much indebted for our separation from and Independence of great Brittan as he who so disinterested and successfully plead our cause as he true the sword of Washington is said to have subdued but not until the Pen of Thomas Paine had made subjugation possible by inspiring the masses with the Spirit of Liberty who so ably portrayed the evils of Monarchy and the blessings of a Republican form of Government as he at that critical moment when a majority of the people were averse to a Separation. if any one did their writings have not feel under my eye and this Heart cease its pulsations when I fail to do his memory this faint Justice. I gazed on his Portrait with deepest reveration and had I my way it should have a far more conspicuous place assigned but it will yet make its way to the front. truth tho crushed to earth will rise again "tho round and round we run". ever does truth come uppermost and ever is Justice done. he can wait and loose nothing by it but to my notion. I called according to instruction at WM Elkins Dwelling Nr 1333 North 15th street and but 2 squares from our home where I made myself known to his family and was cordially welcomed and civilly reproved for not calling sooner. of course I found excuses that were received as satisfactory. after tea Wm took me a drive out over grand avenue bridge over what is known as landsdown drive up to Georges hill and back and I must say in all candor that I never saw anything as charming as this. Philadelphia may well boast of her spacious Park. tho yet in a measure in ____ it is one of the grandest Parks I ever saw. went over onto 13 street to Addies after Margaret & Nora found the latter very sick but got her into Street Car as far as possible and she walked the Balance of the way over to Wm Elkins

where we now purpose staying a few Days. she soon went to bed in a chamber that for comfort cannot be surpassed and rested well.

Jun 28 awoke feeling very much better. I got up early opened up Door that leads to the Veranda where I sat and enjoyed the morning air. loitered around the yard that is most exquisitely fine in flowers &shrubbery. breakfast over John & I took Car and went down to Market Street line. crossed over into Jersey just for the ride. soon tired of Camden and returned and visited up Chestnut Street where there is so much and so many fine buildings to be seen. Johny cannot soon forget what he sees here today. it must make a lasting impression on his youthful mind. we called inat whites Dental Depot corner of 12th & chestnut to see Frank Hise but he was out and we did not care to await his return. by this time noon was fast approaching so we took 15th street Car and arrived in time for Diner. found Nora quite restored and she and Margaret enjoying their new home and friends. in afternoon Johny & the boys are running about the City while I rest (will get tired). at 4 O'clock Wm has his Carriage & a Span of fine horses ready at the door when by invitation Mrs. Elkins Margaret & myself get in and off we go first to Exeetsion Brickyard in which Wm is a 60,000 Dollar stockholder where I saw them making 136 good brick per minute. have nine burning Kilns with capacity 2700,000 Brick at once if they so desire. such is the demand for their brick that most of their Kilns are empty. have Sold and delivered up to July 1st 24,000,000 of all hard brick. Deliver 125,000 Daily. have the contract to furnish the Public Building (as it is called) at Broad & Market with all the brick at 8.50 cts per thousand which will pay them amply. they make a fine article of Pressed and enameled brick all of which is first class. from here we went out Schulkiln a long and beautiful drive coming back by way of Tunel and river road the latter being perfectly charming. arrived home a little late for Supper in which I did not indulge feeling a little amiss caused by riding backward in the Carriage. in the evening we were entertained by a party of young ladies accompanied by an elderly gentleman who seemed to be well acquainted with the family and who had traveled some in Ohio. was a Jolly Old fellow who amused us no little with his antics. George Elkins recited a piece from McCalla in which he displayed no little talent for the Stage tho evidently not a Demosthenese or Cicero. he is nevertheless a clever disclaimer. I sang Shermans March to the Sea which brought a hurrah from the "funny old man" after which we separated for the night but not without a mutual wish that we might meet again. being a little later than we generally sit up we were not long in finding our bed.

Jun 29 I arose early as usual cannot sleep after Daylight. went up to Jacob with Margaret as she wanted some clothing out of her Trunck. took breakfst before returning. while in the vicinity I went over to see John Gordon. found him so unwell that he had made up his mind to return home and come again in the fall when the weather would be cooler. as it is he fears for his health. I took reluctant leave of him and returned to Elkins. gave Johny a little money. he and Willie Elkinsare going to the Zoological Gardens. I spent he day at Centenial visited the government Buildings on the ground. more specimens of Indian arrows of all sizes shapes and quality than I had supposed existed. stone axes of all sizes and conceivable shapes war clubs Idols of all forms but why waste time in trying to enumerate which is is impossible unless one would sit down and take them one by one in

their regular order. the finest specimens of stuffed animals and the rarest of Birds is found here. Buffalo Bear both Black and white some of the latter being perfect monsters for size. Deer of every Description looking as though would jump. Indian clothing and what appears to be preserved bodies of numerous Different tribes with all their war paraphernalia give their hideous appearance but they should be preserved for soon law will Disappear from the Earth for ever his doom like that of the mound builders is fixed and he like they are soon to disappear but we may for a while at least preserve some trifling momentoes as proof that once here on this continent Dwelt a powerful people who were doomed to disappear before a different if not a superior civilization. who can tell if on the whole the world will be any the better for the change but here I am digressing and must return. here are the Washington Relics that seem to attract a constant crowd. in what Do they Differ in interest from that of Tecumseh Black hawk Red Cloud or many other Indian chiefs? who according to their opportunity in my opinion Displayed quite as much strategy and Daring as the best of us but they were unsuccessful which makes the difference. I however took a great interest in Washingtons relics and think of our Army officers had no better outfit there would be huge outcry. his little unpretending camp chest table stew pans and camp Kettles are quite charactie of the man. even his knives & forks pewter plates swords pistols in short everything even his coat vest and breeches is all here in a complete state of preservation. I must not omit the mention of the little hatchet that has gained a notoriety but it is no where to be seen among the relics. but I weary of standing and take seat but am soon attracted where I see a crowd. when I arrive discover they are making cartridges the shells are copper and made in such a way that one might lie in the bottom of Old Ocean a twelve month and it would explode the same as to Day but I weary of the Paraphenalia of war and go to agricultural Hall where are to be seen almost everything so much in fact that I shall mention nothing. it is a perfect surfeit of exhibits. called into the Kanzas Colonade a building where I saw fine specimens of almost anything you could mention. spent some time in Art Annex where I saw lots of fine sculpture and Painting. met and shook hands with judge Fries of Canton, Ohio. was much pleased to meet him as I admire the man. want to send him to Congress some time. saw Judge Clark of New Lisbon and one of the Baxters of Salem. went down into Power Hall as far as the Buckeye Engine where at 11 O'clock I met Daniel Crumrine according to an arrangement entered into at Salem Ohio 2 weeks ago. on my way met James M Brown whom I was glad to meet. he accompanied me to the engine where we soon got separated our tastes calling us in different ways. after giving things a general looking over and being by myself I came out at Horticulture Hall entrance where there is a most excellent cold spring of water. spent the evening at home. Margaret & the children gone riding out Lonsdown Drive and did not return until 10 O'clock but they keep late hours here. it is so warm I choose to lie on the Sofa and then almost roast.

Jun 30 got up about sunrise took a bath and feel much refreshed. Margaret & I walked by way of Broad street to Cousin Jacobs in bed but awaited their rising as we did not like to disturb them. found 2 letters from home giving favorable reports. came Directly back to Elkins where I write this down while awaiting breakfast after which we all went Down to Uncle Johns and spent the forenoon and took Diner. from here we took Cars for Federal Street and soon found ourselves at Charlie Strattons where we met gip Walker &

Rebecca Simpson who are going to New York in the morning to take vessal to England. after spending a couple of hours here we took Cars and returned home tired enough it is so hot.

Jul 1 on Monday morning I got up early and wrote a couple of letters to Ed Hise. after breakfast by invitation went with Wm over to Belmont Oil Works owned by him. he brot me home through the finest part of West Philadelphia where there are many pleasant places to like provided always that one has the means. crossed the Schuykiln on Callowhill street Bridge and on the way down Street heard some on Sing out my name. on looking around discovered Col T C Boones head sticking out of the Car window on his face a pleasant grin. I liked that it was interesting as I like the man but of course we could do nothing but motion how are you and laugh at each other. hope to meet him soon. went with William to his office but soon got tired of idling away my time there. called again at John Gilberts Drug Store but he was still in the country. from there I went up to 4th & Callowhill to see Sam French but he was not in at the moment and tho pressed to take a chair and await his coming I did not care to do so. Scountered up to Franklin Square (by the way saw Benj Franklins grave) rested awhile in the Square which is very pleasant indeed then started for home. on my way up Franklin Street met William Garrigus who years gone by lived in Salem Ohio. he was surprised to meet me here not being aware of my presence in the City. came on up home found Margaret and Nora were absent "out shopping". arrived about 3 O'clock and spent the remainder of the Day on the veranda reading and sleeping by turns. in evening we allwent around on Broad street to witness the Parade and such a crowd I never saw before. I have heard them estimated as high as 500,000 and I think that is not overdrawn. the line of parade was at least 3 hours passing the point where we were Seated which was in an elevated Door yard secured by that ever thoughtful Man Wm Elkins. we had pleasant seats and but for the Distressingly hot weather would have been comfortable but as it was Margaret and Nora were both about played out for it was midnight when we got home but we were not long in finding our bed.

Jul 2 I arose early and enjoyed the fresh air in the Veranda until breakfast was ready. Wm was kind and thoughtful enough to obtain for and present to me an invitation from both the City of Philadelphia and the Centenial Commissioners of Finance to occupy a seat in Independence Square and witness the exercises in honor of the One Hundredth anniversary of the Declaration of the Independence of the United States July 4th 1876. of course I gladly availed myself of so good an opportunity of witnessing the exercises but first I went to see the military Parade but the attempt proved abortive for every where I went the crowd was so great I could but get an occasionable glance of a Bayonet that would chance pop up above the head of the crowd. this I considered but a poor return for the perspiration I was under going in my efforts to see more so I pulled up stakes and made my way through the throng to Independence Hall where by exhibiting my ticket I was admitted to a comfortable seat but oh the crowding and jamming it took to get there. Saw Dom Pedro Gen't Sherman Sheridan Hayes Republican nominee for President and lots of other noted characters whom I will not stop to enumerate now. The people would make Demonstrations of both Dom Pedro an Sherman both of whom it seemed to

embarrass being both modest sensible men but when the Original Declaration of Independence as written by Jefferson was brot forward the whole mass consisting of hundreds of thousands of people broke forth in one continuous cheer some one proposed we give three times three which was done in manner that would any one who witnessed them that they meant exactly what they were given for (viz) to make manifest the determination to "Stand by the Declaration". short and appropriate speeches were made and the Declaration read but I got weary of the crowd and heat. left while Bayard taylor was delivering a speech which may have been well enough but to me it seemed prosey and common placed. perhaps it might have been owing to my imperfect hearing but be that as it may I left and made my way as best I could out of crowd but the streets were so Jamed up I found it difficult. I finally made my way up as far as 8th street it being less throng I walked up it. met James M Brown he told me he should start for home tomorrow. came on up Town to 15th street up to that to Carlton Street. started up that to hunt Bill Mercer. went but a sqare or two until I Discovered him setting on his Door step. he was both pleased and surprised to see me. lunched with him and then we went around to his Fathers where we met Job Seeds. after chatting a few minutes we walked out to Fairmount water works where we spent the entire afternoon wandering from one pleasant spot to another. walked all over Lemon Hill Saw General Grants head quarters while before Richmond that has been taken down and removed thither. it but one story high and made of cedar logs straitened and sett on end touching one another. I suppose it would be comfortable for the climate where it was first built but for our winters here would be but a poor substitute for a Dwelling. on top of the hill is a magnificent Statue of Humbolt unveiled on the 4th for the first time. we loitered around among the many fascinating nooks and finally went over to Spring Garden water works where is a most excellent spring of cold water. we both slaked our thirst and looking things over a little we started for home. walked in on Girard Avenue came past the house of refuge that bill helped Build. is walled in with stone wall about 24 feet high. passed Girard College and had a good look at all its surroundings. at the corner of 15th we parted he to go to his home & I to mine. I got home to Wm Elkins about 5 O'clock where I found all enjoying the breeze that had sprung up. I took the hose and watered the flowers shrubbery and lawn that had become very dry in the absence of rain. after Supper Margaret Nora & I came up to Jacobs again. left Johny there as he was absent on an errand with Willie Elkins and as he is not here this morning as I write. I suppose he stopped with Willie all night.

Jul 3 got up early and took a good bath changed linen and feel much the better for it and am putting in the time writing up my little journal. the morning is very pleasant having had a slight shower last evening but I hear nothing but the confusion of wheels on the cobble stones relieved by an occasional Song from the little cananbind that sits at my elbow as all the household appears to be sleeping yet. After breakfast went around to see Flo she is going to the Centenial ground with us to Day. on my way called to see John Gordon who is worn out and is going to start home to Day. Bought some biscott for our Diner took Lemons & Sugar sweet cakes etc. went in at entrance gate leading to horticulture Hall but went first into Art Annex where we indulged seeing the fine sculpture & Paintings until about noon. went down to a spring of most excellent cold water where we made lemonade and and ate a hearty diner. Drank all we wanted and more than we needed.

from the Spring we went to Horticulture Hall Saw a vast array of Tropical plants that were both Strange and beautiful. Saw a fine specimon of Banana tree with a fine bunch of fruit growing thereon not quite as I had expected to see it. after looking this department well over we went into Agricultural Hall where there is enough to bewilder anyone. looked the living fish over first as the gold fish were very attracting to Nora. saw all we could see here and went in Government Building next tho on our way we called into Kanzas & Colorado Building where there is just as many nice and curious articles as contained within the Same Space in any of the Buildings and pays as well as the best of them. I here saw as good a specimin of grains especially corn as is to be found in any of the exhibits and the Taxadermas had been busy also as there was a large numberof Stuffed Animals Such as Buffalo Elk Deer Birds of all sorts and sizes colors & conditions. At the Government Building we were well rewarded for our trouble in getting there but by this time Margaret & Flo had become so tired they were forced to sit down and rest. could not enjoy it as we would wish. Nora & I stood it some better we looked around and saw a great many curiosities. Margaret & Flo rested a little and we go to see Washingtons relics which to us seemed very interesting me less so as I had saw them before. came out and took Seats in Steam Cars intending to ride around the Fair ground but it happened to stop at a point convenient to take Cars for home. we concluded as we were already tired enough to do so. on our way to the City happened to Discover Hamilton Howell and his family in the Same Car. he came and talked to us until we reached Columbia Avenue where we got out and he went on as far as ninth and green. Stopped with Jacob Lease with whom we are now sojourning. Margaret and Nora is very tired. got a letter from Sis who says everything is going on right at home and that we need on that account to be in no hurry to return. Sat up until 9 O'clock rained a very little before I retired.

Jul 4 Slept soundly and arose as usual in good time. Do not know yet what we shall do to Day but think we will go out to Fairmount Park. after breakfast Nora Johny & I took Cars for Fairmount Park and looked things well over. Saw them pumping water and was in every available nook and corner. we then took a steam boat ride up Schulkill to the falls which was a pleasant ride indeed. Did not tarry long there being few attractions there for us. took boat and returned and walked up to the Top of Lemon Hill where we got into the elevator and went to the top of the observatory. I thought we had saw sights before but this excelled them all. could see all the City which is a vast pile of brick and mortar. could see all the surrounding country and Towns for many miles around. see up and Down both rivers a long Distance as far in fact as our vision could penetrate. consider it paid well to go up. after spending perhaps an hour here or at least until we were perfectly Satisfied we Descended to Terra firma where the atmosphere seemed entirely different being close and sultry while on top of the Tower it seemed to be blowing a gale and was quite cool and pleasant. we soon made our way to a shady nook where we set us down to rest weary and way worn it was so warm. I laid down and soon fell asleep. after getting a good rest we made our way down the hill. in so doing passed many a easy little nook with its tiny fountain and Deep shade. some fertile brain must have concocted and a liberal City put them into execution what real pleasure one enjoys in their midst. the air in the vicinity is rendered so cool and invigorating we feel its refreshing presence here the soothing murmer of the rippling streams and tiney water falls snuff the cool pure air bathe our

parched lips at the fountain. while to the eyes it is perfectly delightful thus all five of the senses seems to gratified. we come out past the Statue of the Immortal Abraham Lincoln erected by a grateful people. I shed tears of deep felt Sorrow as I always do at the contemplation of his terribly wicked and uncalled for assassination. I have always regarded it as one of the most outrageous and wickedest assassinations of which we have any account. no Demon Damned that ever left Hell for Earth could have concocted and put into execution a more inhuman and evil plot. may the memory of the abandoned wretch that was guilty of the foul deed be ever execrated and abhorred sunk in the utmost depths of the foulest Ocean of infamy where the monsters that feed upon corruption can but turn from him in disgust. While Lincolns memory shall be wreathed in sweetest and fairest flowers ever reminding us of his unwavering Patriotism and unfaltering adherence to the great principles of universal human liberty his motto being the government of the people by the people for the people. after a long Deep sigh I turned my back upon the Statue and made our way sorrowfully to the Cars & took passage for home where we arrived all safe though considerable fatigued. I went out and bought myself a pair of lighter shoes as I found my others too warm to as much walking as I am doing. brot Margaret a pair that she bought on yesterday. in evening William Mercer called up to see us. Stayed until ten O'clock chatting about old times in Ohio.

Jul 5 Slept splendidly last night. got up early and carved a hand but did not make a very good job of it the wood was too hard. after breakfast Margaret Nora & I took Cars and went down to Old Independence Hall. looked things over as best we could with the crowd and then walked up Chestnut Street as far as Mary Gordons where I left Margaret & Nora while I crossed the Street to Whites Dental Depot to see if I could find Frank Hise. he was at his desk this time but I care not to hinder him as he was busy. besides to me he is not attractive. from here I went up to Smedley House on Filbert Street where I found Thomas Webb one of my Old favorites an school fellows tho he is some five years older than I. after as long a chat as either of us could indulge in (for he is a busy body) we separated but not until he had walked a half a square with me. he gave me a very cordial invitation to Dine with him which had I time I would love Dearly to do for I love the man and would no Doubt love his Diners also. returned to Marys where I found them waiting for me. after taking drink and eating a cracker or two we took for home where we were soon seated to a sumptuous Diner. I Dined on Boiled Potatoes almost exclusively they being my favorite dish. in afternoon we went over the Flos where I left Margaret and Nora (Johny is out at Centenial ground) and I went down along the Delaware to see the shipping. walked considerable Distance Down to the River. saw some large vessels and a vast amount of freight among which was at least 2000 hogsheads of molasses the most I ever recollect to have saw in one lot. went on board a very large ship that Sails to San Franciscoe. looked her over pretty thoroughly and returned to Flo in time for Tea after which I went with Margaret and Nora to North Penn Depot where they took Cars for Edge Hill. I stopped behind to Spend Saturday in some other way than wiling it away at Sandy run. called around to see Wm Elkins but he being absent I chatted a few minutes with his interesting family and then returned to Jacobs where I found Johny who had just returned from the great Show. soon retired being considerable weary.

Jul 6 arose in good time and read the morning papers and after breakfast Johny & I crossed the Mark Street ____ and took Cars for Vincentown New Jersey where we found Frank Hilliard and familywho was both surprised and pleased to see us. took in and spared no pain to entertain us. showed us what there is there to be seen. at 12 sat us down to a sumptuous Diner to which we done ample justice. at one twenty five we took leave of them and left for the City well Satisfied that we had gone out to see them. at Ewingfille we changed Cars but did not have to wait but a few minutes until we were off. hurraugh boys for the City where we arrived in good season so that I had ample time to come to Jacobs. wash and change linen and then had to wait an hour at North penn Depot before I could take Cars for Edge Hill but like everything else time brought about the hour of Starting and off I went and glad to get away for this Depot is the busiest place I was ever in. I think not less than 20000 people embark from here daily mostly for New York. arrived safe at Edge hill Depot was met there by Joseph Lukens hired man with a conveyance to bring me to his Door. on our way picked up Josephs wife. Nora & some other little folks that were out gathering berries. soon after eating a bite of Supper. I walked over to Elijahs met him at his gate. spent a short time with him when we both came back to Josephs. after chatting awhile he returned home and we went to bed.

Jul 7 I awakened about 4 O'clock and as I cannot sleep well after that hour I got up wrote my memorandum and no stir yet. all is silent as the grave about the house. the morning for pleasantness is all that could be asked. in due season we had our breakfast and Elijah with his Carriage to take us over to Newtown we took leave of our friends Joseph and his wife and started for Bucks County. passed by Old Southampton Burrying ground where repose the remains of Grandfather and Grandmother Howell. Should loved Dearly to have stood a moment over their graves but not having a stone by which to designate them of course it was useless for me to try to find them so I was forced to whisper a blessing on the whole ground as we drove leisurly past it. a little before noon we reached Silas & Sarah Carey was greeted with a hearty welcome and soon seated to a sumptuous Diner which we enjoyed very much. ElijahStarted back after stopping to tea so as to have the cool of the evening to travel in as the weather is very warm. Silas and I took a pleasant walk around the Town. Saw many very attractive places to live if one has the means. is too warm to walk much. had a beautiful Sunsett which we all could but admire at about nine O'clock we retired. I slept tolerably well but the night was very warm.

Jul 10 arose early washed and read the news paper until breakfast was ready after which Silas went over to his Farm and looked it over. it is a nice one and in good repair. returned by way of Henry Taylors. Cousin Lizzie knew me by sight although she had not saw me for twenty eight years. she soon prepared us some very pleasant and cool drink and after making some arrangements to visit them tomorrow we came on back to Newtown and that I may not get too far behind with my little memorandum I write it up to Day the 10th of July. the mercury here in Newtown is 103 in the shade with some prospects of rain which is much needed. spent the afternoon in Lounging on a Sofa and slept what we could for it is too hot to think of doing ought else. at 4 ½ O'clock we all went over to George Cornells where we spent an hour or two. ate Rasberries and cake to

our entire satisfaction as they had both in great abundance. George escorted us onto the top of his house where we had a splendid view of the country for miles around. his farm is large and buildings all that could be wished for. the house I think is too large not less than 50 feet square and 3 stories high well furnished fromtop to bottom. we returned to Newtown in time to get to bed and enjoy the Shower. was forced to close the blinds a short time but soon threw them open again and luxuriated in the fresh air.

Jul 11 slept well and arose in good time. read the papers until Breakfast after which we all went of to Henry Taylors where we spent the Day as pleasantly as could be desired. Silas having business inNewtown could not be with us but he returned in time to take tea with us. Cloudy & threatens rain is evidently raining in Southwest. Henrys farmers is jerking in the Hay of which he has a great abundance. his farm is large 224 acres all of which is tillable except a small patch of wood land. I counted 25 small pigs and 60 young turkeys. has 16 milch cows. is carrying on farming on a large scale. their principle crop for profit being hay for Philadelphia market. after tea as it looked like raining we started for Newtown where we arrived barely in time to escape the rain. Silas just got his horse and carrage into the barn when it commenced and rained hard. Kept it up until we went to sleep. was wakened up in the night by the rain dashing against the windows. got up and closed the blinds until the hardest was over and then opened them again as it is quite too warm to live shut up any length of time but by sleeping late we got well rested.

Jul 12 after breakfast Sarah took us out to the Cemetery a distance of five miles to see Sallie Connells grave where we were joined by Henry Taylor & wife who went back to Newtown with us. Stayed with us at Sarahs where we all took Diner and had a happy time until the Stage arrived at quarter past two O'clock to take us to Depot a distance of four miles. we bid them all a reluctant farewell in all probability forever as we are growing old. Such was our heartfelt sorrow at parting and shared by both parties that we forgot our Parisoll & Umbrella until it was too late to get them. as it was we only barely made connection with the Cars for Philadelphia. in a few minutes we were again in the City Safe at Jacob Loesers our temporary and very pleasant home. found a couple of letters from Ohio awaiting our arrival. in evening I went down to Wm Elkins where I found Johny helping to take care of George Elkins who had been overcome with the heat on yesterday and while I was there he had another severe attack but by timely aid he was soon restored. I stayed as long as I thought I would be of use then returned to our lodgings leaving Johny there to take a little care of George. found our folks anxiously awaiting my return lest I had fallen by the way it is so extremely hot but I was not long in finding my way to bed where after rolling and turning by the hardest I succeeded in sleeping a little but arose as soon as it was clearly light.

Jul 13 Walked out and called down at Elkins but none of the family being up except the Servents. I returned without hearing from George. at 8 O'clock Jacob Margaret Nora and Myself take Cars for Norristown where after a very pleasant ride we found Margarets Cousins too numerous to mention here. while she was visiting here I hunted up one of mine Hannah Davis a Daughter of one of my Mothers Sisters. I could see quite a resemblance of my own Mother in her forehead and the way she wore her hair and 3

cornered handkerchief. she is over seventy. spent near an hour with her and her Daughters who keep a milliners shop. we spent a portion of the afternoon and took tea at James Loesers but he was absent in the county and of course we saw him not. when we started for the City at 8 O'clock while in the Depot I Discovered Joseph Castleberry of Salem Ohio an old acquaintence who I was much pleased to see and he appeared as much pleased as we were. the first Salem folks he had saw since he left home. he rode in the same seat with me and was enable to fill up history of Salem since our departure all of which we were glad to get. in due time we arrived safe and found some of the folks up awaiting our arrival. we soon went to bed and as the rain had made the air much cooler. we were able to get a glorious nights sleep.

Jul 14 I arose at 3 O'clock washed and Seated myself at a 3rd Story window. in the stillness of the morn I write up my journal. Just what I shall do this forenoon I do not now know but this afternoon we intend to go to the Zoological garden. after breakfast we called at Wm Elkins where we found Johny still busy helping take care of George in his sickness but Said he would go over to Centenial ground to Day. we went on Down to Mary G Swans in Chestnut & 12th where I left Margaret and Nora and I walked on down as far as Independence Hall looked it over once more. the same crowd as is always to found there. from here I went up to John Gilberts Drug Store but he was still absent and this being the third effort I have made to see him and as often failed I gave it up. wrote a note for him and left it at his office then went on up to the carner of 4th & Callowhill where I found Samuel French. after spending some time with him and looking his place over I returned to Marys where we all took Diner in her cosy little Dining room. we then walked but a few steps Down to the corner of 11th and Chestnut where we took Car for Girard Avenue where we changed cars and went out to Zoological Garden where we spent the afternoon. saw a great many strange sights among which I may mention Bear of several species that is black brown and grizzley. Saw no Polar or white Bear here. Swan both black and white the former from Australia. Birds of almost countless variety and some of which is very beautiful indeed. among the Parrots was a perfect bedlam they kept up such as incessant jabbering. Several Kangaroos of various sizes and I presume ages. Elephants of at least two species African and Asiatic both good specimens. a Hippopotamus of Huge size much the largest one I ever Saw. 4 fine full grown giraffes and Camel Leopard much the finest I had ever saw. Lions of all sizes and varieties Tigers two of which were kind and beautiful for Tigers. they looked gentle and kind but would not allow of being played with. Leopard Panthers and in fact all the Cat family is well represented here among them I must mention a jet black Leopard that seems particularly Savage and unreconciled to his lot poor fellow. Christian civilization has few attractions for him. we saw them all fed and waited to see them devour their allowance which seemed ample. Mr. Black Leopard I noticed did not eat all that was given him but left it to snarl at his visitors. we next called around to see the monkeys who now came in for a share of our attention. quite a numbner of all sizes and varieties and some of which amused us no little by their comicalities. I must not omit to mention of the Beavers 4 of which we Saw. they were amusing themselves in the water an element they appear to be particularly fond of and were quite indifferent at our approach. seemed much more at home than did the Black leopard but they confined all their gambols to the water not

Designing to come out or show once during our stay. just below them are three Alligators one of which was alive the other lying so still that I concluded they were dead and preserved ones but one living one is sufficient to disgust if that is the fit word to use. Buffalo is well represented here among which I noticed some large and fierce looking Bulls but they too seemed indifferent at our approach and appeared reconciled of their Situation but Oh how Different it is when compared with their Prairie home where they could snuff the Mountain breeze and roam at large. "no pent up Utica contracted their powers" the whole unbounded continent is ours (say they). along side of them only separated by a slight fence are several fine Elk one of which I noticed was a large Male. had tremendious horns on one of which I counted six prongs. they were yet soft being in what is called velvet so that I now know to be true what I have often heard disputed that large as their horns grow they shed them every year. several Deer I saw here in the same condition so that they too shed their horns every year. it seems to me to be entirely useless but there is doubtless a wise purpose in it. but I confess I do not see it. but we here get tired and start for home. on our way see three Sea Lions or Seals. I do not know which one was very large and seemed suffering with the heat. we made our way out and took Cars for home where in due time and without an adventure we arrived safe and sound tho not a little tired. spend the evening Sitting in the back yard where it is cool and pleasant. a couple of neighbors call in apparently on business and lest I may interfere with them I withdraw and go to bed tho not without an invitation to remain but I prefer the bed and take to it this hot weather as naturally as a Duck to water.

Jul 15 slept well and rose early. write up my little record. must not let it get far behind. after breakfast I went down to corner of 13th and Girard Avenue and bought Margaret ½ pint of good sherry wine and all of us except Johny go over to Centenial. he will doubtless be there but he chooses to stay at Elkins to which of course we have not the slightest objections. Jacob Loeser accompanied us to Day and we saw all we could possibly see much of which we had before saw and much that had hitherto escaped our notice and this I presume would be the case were we to stay here another munth. we this time visited the New England log cabin which represents life as it was lived a century ago. Saw the cradle brot over in the May flower in which was racked some famous character but I did not put his name on record it has slipped my memory. saw a great many old manuscripts some 150 and 200 years old but one time even at looking over such interesting relics and we seek the Shade and set us down to rest weary of the great show. at ½ past four we take final leave of Centenial grounds and return to the City. I by way of Pennsylvania Depot that I may ascertain when to start home so that we can cross the mountains in Daylight as I want much to see them again. concluded to start in the morning although it will be Sunday but as I believe that Day to be just as good and no better than anyother Day of course there can be no objection to that arrangement. called at the Union Transfer Company office and ordered our Trunk taken to Depot this evening that it may be there ready in the morning but after it was gone found that we could not get Street Cars early enough to get to Depot on time and was forced to stop over until Monday morning. might have gone at 11 O'clodk Saturday night but Margaret is too tired must have one good nights rest before starting across the mountains. so we will passs the time away as best we can. Johny was not over to Centenial to Day. has been

caring for Geo Elkins. went out in evening bought biscotti Bologna cakes and oranges for grub while on the Cars. sat up pretty late. got Johny with us to night for the first time in a week he having his head quarters at Elkins.

Jul 16 on Sunday morning slept as long as we could having little else to Do. after breakfast I commenced whittling and kept it up until Dinertime. James Loeser & Daughter came down from Norristown to see us was much pleased they done so as to us it is evidence that they still care for us. spent a very pleasant Day with them indeed exchanging jokes and talking about Ohio where he spent a short time in 1836. at 7 PM they bid us goodby and left for home but not without a cordial and pressing invitation to repeat our visit which they avered was quite too short. we sat up pretty late waiting for Johny who was absent all Day. came I just in time and on our retiring we all seem to be ready for a Start for ohio in the morning. I have been to the Horse Car Depot and learned that we can take passage in ample time so that there now appears to be no obsticle between us and our home and now we go to bed perfectly satisfied with our visit which to us has been pleasant beyond expression and what can I write that will express our thankfulness for the kindness of our friends who have so generously entertained us. without them we would have been unable to see half that we have saw. I can do no more nor no less than return to them a thousand thanks and blessings and now for a good nights rest we are off for bed.

Jul 17 arose early and am seated at the back door along side the hydrant enjoying the cool air and jotting down events as they transpire while the Daughters are busying themselves getting up a good warm breakfast. I sniff the coffee as it boils and it sharpens my appetite for breakfast. it has just struck 5 O'clock which leaves us less than an hour to spend here with our kind friends. here have had a very pleasant home indeed. when that rolls around we hope to be off for Ohio. come to breakfast breaks upon my willing ear and I respond to the call with the alacrity. after eating hearty and supping a cup of coffee the first for years we gather up our little momentoes and take final leave of the family with the exception of Jacob the Father who accompanies us to the corner of twelfth Street & Columbia Avenue we awaited but a few moments for a Car. taking a hasty leave of Jacob we got on board. at Market Street we exchanged Cars for PennsylvaniaDepot where we arrived safe and in ample time. at 7 we take the limited Mail Train (not knowing or caring what that meant) for the west. before leaving the conductor announced that "this Train will not Stop until it arrives at Lancaster. that suited me exactly as I wanted to go directly home. at Lancaster he sang out this Train stops nowhere until it reaches Harrisburgh. that was still Satisfactory as we wanted to be jogging along. at Harrisburgh there was to be no stoppage until we reached Altoona. good for you thought I and from here no stop until we arrived at Pittsburgh still better says I but when at Pittsburgh he bawled out no more stops until we reach Alliance. I thought to myself that is too much of the good thing as it carries us past our home. but to return to my narrative we had a splendid view of the mountains as we crossed them but those we ran under we could not see. along the Junatta the scenery is perfectly charming but the Stream itself was anything but the "blue Juniatta" of which we used to sing being muddy and swollen from recent heavy rains in the Mountains. three Locomotives were were attached to our Train as we left Altoona and

judging from their heavy breathing labored hard while assisting us up the Mountain. the Summit gained their Services were dispensed with in such a maner the passengers was not aware of for the train did not stop and I was not aware of their absence until we had not got considerable Distance down the mountain. our passage down the mountain was less exciting but not without interest. we caught but a glimpse of the mountain ____ and its pleasant surroundings as we glided past it followed the course of a mountain stream the Conemaugh I believe it is called which when I first noticed it was but a tiney rivulet but in its descent seemed to gather results until reaching the foot. it is a stream of no unpretending direction to which we had become somewhat endeared for it not only accompanied us down the mountain but charmed us as it dashed its clear sparkling waters from rack to rack. dashing headlong down little precipices making one wish while so oppressed with heat for a plunge into its agitated waters that must from the very nature of the case be cool and refreshing but like other friends we were doomed to part the one making its way Down Deep dark ravines to the waters of the Aleghena while we came further west arrived at Pittsburgh at a little past 5 O'clock PM where I found for the first time that our Train would not stop at Salem. this at first to us seemed a Damper but in choosing between staying in Pittsburgh 6 Hours or going on to Alliance. choose the latter. hunted up our Trunk that had preceded us 24 hours. I got it rechecked and ordered it on the first train that stopped at Salem. soon we were off for Alliance and in an incredible short time we were thundering past Salem Station at a terrible speed. I thought to sing but at the Station for mark to come Down at 11 O'clock but we whirled by at such a speed I could scarcely see the Station much less could I make myself heard by anyone but we were not detained long at Alliance but soon got Train for Salem where arrived all Safe and sound at ½ past 11 O'clock. took the Omnibus that was in waiting. came out home found all in bed and sleeping and taken by surprise at our arrival that time of night as no Eastern train passed here at that hour but an explanation was soon given and we all found our places and was soon in a profound slumber. I drop the subject and slide off into dreamland which under the circumstances is just as easy as falling off a log. good night.

Jul 18 Clear & warm. arrived Safe at home last night a few minutes before 12 O'clock. soon found places to sleep and went directly at it. got up in good season wrote a letter to Joseph Loeser telling him of our Safe arrival home. helped Mark haul a small load of brick and the balance of the Day done but little. Mark is plowing weeds under. bought a new plow share. John Hise is here from Iowa and has been for some time. glad to see him.

Jul 19 Clear & hot. made gate and put fence across lane to make a milking pen to keep the cows from running back to the fields before getting milked. too hot to work but I sett the posts and got all done except hanging the gate. brot the cows up and shut them in for the first time. Mark is plowing. Paid Ed Hise 15 Dollars money he advanced to the hands in my absence. hauled 10 stone to Stratton & Daniels for corner stone. hauled a load of well brick to Lincolnville for W Fawcett.

Jul 20 Clear & very warm. got up early and churned before Sunrise. brot the cows made hinges and hung the gate. after breakfast went to setting brick. Ed Hise helped us (Wiley

& I). in afternoon had 2 good showers of Rain. Mark plowed in forenoon. in afternoon mowed for Higgins. Belle Miller is here to Diner is going to stay all night. Settled with her owed her 9 Dollars paid her ten all and more than she wanted. I pittie her as she would like to be back.

Jul 21 Clear & warm. sett brick all Day. Mark plowed in forenoon. in afternoon mowed for Higgins. rained hard and blowed at ½ past 3 O'clock PM but the hands got out a Days work of brick. Margaret and John Hise was over to Mother Goulbourns on yesterday she is well. Nora tells me she lost 8 pounds During her visit to Philadelphia.

Jul 22 Clear & cool this morning. Mark finished mowing for Higgins. we sett brick want to put that job through as it has got behind During my trip to Philadelphia. looks like rain at Dark. go early to bed.

Jul 23 Clear & cool. J F Dickinson his Daughters Mary & Harriet visit us to Day. was much pleased to have them do so as we are old and fast friends. he served his apprenticeship to the Bricklaying business in Philadelphia but it has been so long ago I could give him but little information that would interest him so great has been the change there in 60 years. so cool to Day as to make a fire necessary accompaniment to comfort. Jery Saxon of Alliance called in a few minutes. Charles Grizell also makes a short call.

Jul 24 Clear & cool. Sett Brick. Mark finished plowing. made Days work of brick. left word for Berry & Lawson to come and cradle Oats tomorrow. in evening I attended a meeting of the Property holders on main street to get up specifications to pave main Street. was appointed one of the committee of 6 (viz) JJ Boon John C Whiney J Ruckenbrod E Gleckler Robt Hole and myself to make a profile of the Street and report to board of Improvement by tomorrow evening. a little rain at 8 O'clock.

Jul 25 Clear & cool. shod Jont. attended the meeting of the committee up Town at 9 O'clock. they adopted my Profile and specification of street as drawn up by myself. Sold my young horse Prince for 125 Dollars to Robt Hanna. he is to pay for him in a few Days. sett brick all the afternoon. rained at 8 O'clock.

Jul 26 Clear & cool. I am not well to Day but sett brick nevertheless. Mark hauled brick and sand. Ed hise is not helping us to Day. 2 hands cutting oats.

Jul 27 Clear & cool. sett brick all Day. Mark bound and hauled in Oats. Geo Trimble paid me 6 Dollars for mowing. windy and much like rain.

Jul 28 Cloudy & wet. commenced to rain at ten O'clock last night and kept it up most of the night. this morning I got up at 4 went up town and bought some excellent beef. rained hard at 6 O'clock and at seven is still doing a little at it. Mark & I made a temporary shed at the yard. in afternoon sett Brick. rained hard at times through the Day. ground will be well wetted.

Jul 29 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up. was in hopes to have tied Oats to day but it is too wet so Mark & I sett brick all Day. got all sett that is dry & under the shed. made none the last 2 days. Paid Stephens Carpenters 31 50/100 Dollars for him. wanted to turn in 3 75/100 Doll that John Taylor owes me but he refused and I could not compel him and we will have to loose it. got a note from Joseph Brough of Damascus saying that John Stanley Jr. is Dead. he is an old and long tried friend with whom I have been very intimate for 55 years having worked for him in years gone by. he is to be buried on Monday at 2 O'clock. must go to his funeral if alive and well.

Jul 30 Cloudy cool and pleasant. spent the morning in writing up my journal that had got a few Days behind but is now all straitened up. in afternoon walked out to hunt 2 of my Turkeys that had strayed away but found them not. warm all day.

Jul 31 Clear & warm. sett the Brick hands to binding Oats. I shod Doll and at 1 O'clock John Hise & I started to Damascus to attend the Funeral of John Stanley, Jr. a vast concourse of people has assembled to take leave of his corpse. returned ½ past 4 O'clock.

Aug 1 Clear & pleasant. Mark & Frank finished hauling in the Oats by noon. in afternoon Mark hauled hay for George Trimble. made 4000 brick. Ed Wiley & I cased and sett brick all Day. John Hise took Sis Wait Down to Samuel Sharpnacks. he is sick but I do not know how much. Pleasant Norris a young Lady from Illinois and neice of Sarah McMillen took tea and spent the evening with us. she is going into consumption I fear unless some change should take place soon. Sad to know that one so young and promising must be cut off without a remedy but that disease is cureless.

Aug 2 Clear and warm very pleasant this morning. all three of us cased at the kiln to day. got along very well. Mark hauled our bark to tanners but it proved useless for tanning purposes having lost its estringent qualities. he brot it back for stone wood it will still do for that. hauled a load of coal. in afternoon he hauled gravel for Reason Frances. John Hise left this evening for Philadelphia. he goes home by way of New York and Niagara falls so that we will in all probability never see other again as we are both growing old and live about one thousand miles Distant from each other. he will be 67 in a few Days and I 63. we may have time allotted to us that will enable us to visit other but I hardly expect it. looks some like rain as I retire.

Aug 3 Cloud & cool with wind in Southeast. got up and churned before breakfast. is cool and pleasant. worked at the Kiln all Day casing and Setting. made 4000. threatened rain but none fell. cleared off about sunset. our little Pigs are all Sold but one.

Aug 4 Clear & warm. worked hard at the Kiln all Day. got it about cased up. Mark hauled smear and sand. made 4000 brick. bought new chain for well and put it in cost 4 50/100 Doll. put it in after night. am tired.

Aug 5 Clear & warm. bought beef and wrote a little before breakfast. smeared our Kiln

& will set fire in it this evening. made 4000 brik. threatened rain but none fell. Aaron Hise and wife arrived from Iowa this morning. they are over at Timothy Gees. Aaron called a the Brickyard a few minutes but we were too busy to even talk to him as we was anxious to get fire it to night. Wiley & I fired the Kiln after Supper.

Aug 6 Clear & warm. lightninged all around us last night but no rain. the night was pleasant and the clouds by moonlight were beautiful beyond description. Wiley is attending the Kiln a part of to day as I have to fulfil an appointment to take Diner at Mother Goulbourns with Aaron Hise & wife of Iowa. am waiting for the Carriage to take me and am putting in the time writing up my journal. tired of waiting & started to walk over. met Aaron Hise with carriage at Thomas Harners. he turned about and we rode back to Timothys. he sang and played several splendid pieces on the Goutar some of which were very comical. we all sat Down to Diner with Grandmother Goulbourn. ate of the Plum Pudding sent with Aaron from Iowa made by Aunt Rates Irish Cook. It was very toothsome. I walked back to the Kiln before night as I did not like to leave it too long at a time. found it all right and Doing well. Wiley & I attended it all night. moonlight and very pelasant.

Aug 7 Clear & warm. Mark hauled wood in forenoon. in afternoon pulled weeds and made fence. Wiley & I stick to the kiln all Day. very warm and threatens rain but none fell. made no brick to day. Wm Stringfellows babe Died this morning. I assumed the expense of burying it and the lot also the latter cost 9 Dollars. he works for me to pay it. Aaron & Mary Hise with several of our friends & relatives is here to Diner but I have no time to spend with them. in afternoon they go to Sis & Eds. must make short visits as they are on their way to the Centenial.

Aug 8 Clear & warm. Kiln is doing fine. got ____ to help Wiley to Day and I took it kind of easy. took Diner at brother jesses with the Iowa folks. shall see but little more of them as to night at 11 Oclock they Start for Philadelphia. Mark cleared the potatoes and hauled a little wood. made no brick to Day weather fine for it.

Aug 9 Clear & warm. Kiln is doing fine. making brick to Day. Mark hauled wood. Ed Hise helped us at the Kiln glad of it as Wiley & I are pretty well played out. Bought 5 quarts of Blackberries of Mrs. Howell at 10 cts per quart.

Aug 10 Clear & warm. have Heatons Venable helping us at the Kiln. he came along last night when Wiley & I had more on hand than we could attend to and I hired him to help finish the Kiln asit is too large (15 arches) for two to attend as it should be. Ed Hise has gone to Leetonia to see about getting work. very warm all Day but we kept the Kilm going about right. Mark is hauling out manure. made 4000 brick.

Aug 11 Cloudy and threatens rain at Daylight. thundered heavy in northwest sprinkled a very little rain. changed the fires in the Kiln this morning. no rain at noon but very warm but very soon after it rained some and kept it up very moderately at times until Six Oclock. as I write it is still raining moderately. the Carpenters commenced tearing down

Venables Old House tore off the roof the Siding off the front and lower floors out but it still seems to be tenable as I noticed a Bureau and ____ with one of the girls Still inside. they seem determined to not be driven off while a vistage of the house remains. Bought a ticket to Dentons Scientific course of Lectures commencing to night but I cannot attend as the Kiln is hot at 8 Oclock. fired up the Kiln and went to hear the Lecture hope to hear them all. wet and dark before the moon rises.

Aug 12 Cloudy & wet. rained considerable through the night. at breakfast time is still raining. Mark has to haul us more wood the Kiln not being done yet. rained most of the forenoon. Carrie Layman of Pittsburgh is here with Nora was with her last night. we fired at the Kiln until 4 Oclock PM. at 6 we closed her up thinkingn we have a good burn. Paid out to the hands about all the money I have at present. in evening attended Dentons Lecture (very interesting).

Aug 13 Cloudy and dull this morning. feel pretty well rested this morning. Margaret & I went out to J F Dicksonsons found him and Harriet Arner both very sick. I fear he will never rally again he is too old being past 81 years. Did not tarry long brot Mrs. Bown as far as her home. Spent the balance of the day resting. rained a good Shower about 5 Oclock PM. Grandpap Barsley called in and speent a few minutes. he never stays long at a time. go early to bed.

Aug 14 Clear & warm this morning. I got ready in forenoon to lay the pavement in Dooryard. got Wiley to come in afternoon and we laid all down but one stone. it was not dressed or we should have laid that. read the Truth Seeker until too late to go to Dentons Lecture will miss one of the course. am too tired at anynote to think much about. will go early to bed and rest.

Aug 15 Cloudy & partially clear at intervals all day. rained a little in afternoon but not enough to stop one from work. hauled a thousand brick to Tom Foster. hauled trash from Trimbles they gave me for the taking. haul it to Brickyard for wood. gave Sis Hise 30 Dollars to bear her expenses to Iowa as she wants to visit there. her health is poor and I am in hopes she will be the better for the trip.

Aug 16 Cloudy but not rain clouds. Mark is hauling manure. I spent most of the day in Town. Painted one of the tin roofs. attended evening Lectures. John Gordon accompanied me home and will Stay all night of course.

Aug 17 Cloudy and pleasant. got up at 4 Oclock and churned. Mr. Gordon is not up as I write but it is yet early. after breakfast hitched up Dolly and took him out to see J F Dickinson who is just now very sick indeed. from there I took to his house and got back to mine by noon. had a good rain at 9 Oclock AM. spent the afternoon in Town.

Aug 18 Clear & cloudy at intervals through the day. I tore Down casing & butman of Kiln in forenoon. have it ready to open now. in afternoon hauled trash from Trimbles. Mark has all the manure hauled out of the Barnyard and spread on the field. John Johnson

arrested a man at our Diner table to Day on suspician of his being a murderer. he had called to get a bowl of bread and milk. I did not se him as it was not at our Diner time but from what Margaret tells me about his actions I am very suspicious that he is the man. there is 500 Dolars reward offered for his arrest.

Aug 19 Cloudy & Dull with rain last night. I haul brick with Charlie & Prince. make a good team. hauling to Brooks to pay for mowing machine bought of Carr & Tescher. Harry Hise is helping me. Mark is hauling manure from Town. we hauled out 8 loads to Day.

Aug 20 Clear & cool. got up early & churned. Blacksmithed considerable. shod Horse Ironed Doubletrees. put our Mowing Machine in the dry. Sis Hise started for Iowa on the 5 Oclock Train. I cut some brush for Rustic chairs.

Aug 21 Clear & cool. white frost this morning around the Swamps in our fields. sold some brick in afternoon. repaired harness. Mark still hauling manure. in evening I attended a meeting at Joel McMillens Store in the interest of Main Street.

Aug 22 Clear & cool. hauled brick in forenoon. at noon Nora & I went over to see J F Dickinson found him a little better. Drove Prince he went well.

Aug 23 Cloudy & wet this morning but rain was soon over. Mark is Plowing I haul brick. made no brick to day. Saw and had a few minutes Conversation with Mr. Austin of Warren Ohio President of the Austin Stone Company. presume he is here with a view of putting in a bid To pave main Street. hope he will not get it as I want some of our money to Stay at home.

Aug 24 Cloudy & clear at intervals in forenoon & very warm. I straitened our flag stone walk and then went up town. got Edd Carrs horse & buggy and took Mr. Austin of Warren to the Different gravel beds Whinneys Boons & Waterworths. he is going to put in a bid to pave Main Street. several bids are going in. in afternoon I hauled brick when it was not raining. rained hard at 2 Oclock but we managed to get 3 loads out between showers. is raining as I write at 7 Oclock PM.

Aug 25 Cloudy & arm. got up early and churned. shod Dolly. hauled brick in forenoon. rained some. Mark plowed. considerable rain in afternoon. I blacksmithed making lock for wagon. Belle Miller is here to Diner looks well. Nora is at a party at Felch's on Broadway. mark has gone after her as I write at ½ past 7 PM.

Aug 26 Clear & pleasant. finished the lock on my wagon then went to Town. Spent the entire Day in trying to induce the property on a portion of Main Street to have it paved in September but I doubt if I succeded after spending so much time if I fail this time I shall give it up and quit. Mark finished Plowing this evening. Made 4000 brick.

Aug 27 Clear & cool. shod Prince and Mark took him & Doll and went to Pats for seed

wheat. I Dressed out very nice canes. at noon Margaret & I went out to see grand pap Dickinson found him much better. stayed most of the afternoon. Mary T. Hiddleson brot home from Philadelphia a corpse.

Aug 28 Clear & cool. got up churned. Dug out foundation for step stones in front yard on which I intend to sett a gate. spent forenoon hauling Brick. afternoon in Town helped John Zimmerman lay down his pavement in Town this evening. got home at 9 Oclock.

Aug 29 Clear & cool. Mark is finishing up the wheat field to day. Sowed the wheat & Harry Hise harrowed it one way on yesterday. to day Mark is sowing Timothy seed and cross harrowing it. I hauled brick in afternoon. a little cloudy at sunset. would like to have a shower now.

Aug 30 Cloudy & warm. got up early and Blacksmithed until breakfast. looks some like rain would like to have a shower now. Margaret was unwell last night but is about this morning as usual. Mark hauled Sand for Brainards pavement until noon. Just heard at 10 Oclock that Old Mrs Ramsden Deceased last night between 9 & 10 Oclock. attended a meeting regarding the paving of Main Street. was appointed on Committee with James M Brown & Lucean Gilbert to contract with Austin Flag Stone Co to pave main Street with Warren Stone for which he is to have 7 69/100 Dollars per lineal foot.

Aug 31 Clear & warm. met Herman Austin agent for and President of the Austin Flag Stone Co at L Gilberts Law Office where we entered into a contract as instructed by a majority of the Property holders on that part of Main Street laying between Ellsworth & Chestnut Street. loaned him the contract to take home with him in order to consult his Co and coppy it. rather a loose way of Doing business but we presume him to be an honorable man. Mark hauled sand and brick hauled with both teams in afternoon. Made 4000 brick. the yard full.

Sep 1 Cloudy & a little foggy. cleaned up the front Door yard before breakfast. both teams hauled bridk to Day. got along fine. rained a t 4 Oclock and is wet the balance of the afternoon. got a letter from John Hise he is at West Liberty, Iowa. Margaret got a letter from Sis Hise also from West Liberty.

Sep 2 Clear & cool all Day. hauled brick until noon. in afternoon Mark hauled a load of coal & I loafed about Town resting. am tired and hands are sore loading brick. Carrie tells me at Supper that her mother is in Salem having come down from Alleghana City without notifying her. is at John Kizens this evening and is going to stay there all night.

Sep 3 Clear & cool. I got up early Dug out the Ditch and put under Drain in front of flag stone walk. got it about Done before breakfast. Mark & I picked a couple of bushels of Sweet apples and put them on the floor on purpose for eating as they are excellent. Nora & Connie has gone out to Jim Bennetts to take Ella there to see her Sister who is there on a short visit. at 6 Oclock PM have just returned from the funeral of Mrs. Ramsden. a vast number of people were there. Mrius R Robinson spoke a few words. I went out to Jim

Bennetts and brot Ella as far as Harriet Arners where Margaret was waiting for us. supper being ready we Sat down and partook. Grandpap is still very poorly. E A Goucher is with him to Day.

Sep 4 Cloudy and a few drops of rain fell at Daylight. churned. Show is going by from Lisbon, counted 56 miles in teams of from two to Six hauling tents seats & tent poles. I repaired the skylight in Trinity block and made it so as to open for purposes of ventilation. hired some hands to tear up the Plank on Main Street. Show to night none of our folks went. Mark cut up some of our ____ corn says it is thick and nice. got the Barn in readiness for the threshers coming tomorrow.

Sep 5 Clear & cool at 7 Oclock. 5 men and 2 teams commenced tearing up the Plank on main Street and contrary to my own expectations and everybody elses Predictions got up the entire Square between Ellsworth & Chestnut Streets and very nearly all hauled away. Done a splendid Days work. Carries Mother 2 of her Step Sisters were here and took Diner with us. we are sorry to see Carrie go away she is so much company for Nora. cool this evening. the threshing Machine is on hand and will Do our job tomorrow.

Sep 6 Cloudy with wind in Southeast. got the Barn ready for the threshers who are here in force this morning. I take the Team and go to Town and with the help of Robt Moore & Jo Mills complete the job of taking off the Plank. although it rained considerable in afternoon we stuck to it and got Done by 4 Oclock PM. Mr. Austin the Contractor with his foreman Mr. Wicks come on and will commence operations in the morning if not too wet which now seems probable as it is raining hard at 6 Oclock. Carrie and her Mother went home to Day. Sorry to see Carrie go as Nora will now be lonesome. they are so much attached to each other they should be together more. our threshers are done and gone. had 28 bushels of wheat & 320 bushels of oats. rather a light crop but must make it do.

Sep 7 Cloudy ar at least very foggy this morning. hauled Brick in forenoon. in afternoon hauled dirt off of Main Street getting along fine with it.

Sep 8 Cloudy & Dull. got up early and churned before breakfast. caught 2 of the young pigs must try and raise them by hand as thje mother has 12 in family & only 10 teats. I fear 2 must perish unless we can get them to drink milk.

Sep 9 Cloudy & Dull. Built a small pen for Pigs put them in and fed them. they drink first rate. Both teams hauling Dirt for ourselves. making no brick to day yard is full and not much prospects of being otherwise. Mrs. Bowman Paid me for her 1500 Paving brick (13.50) was told by the foreman on the Paving job that J C Whinney & myselfshould have the contract to furnish gravel for Main Street that portion of it that is now being paved. threatens rain this afternoon but none of account fell.

Sep 10 Cloudy & wet having rained hard in the night. thundered considerable remained cloudy all Day. I shod Jonts hind feet and fit up several shoes ready for an emergency.

James Reed was out to look at Prince talks of Buying him. got to bed early. Frank Hunt Died at 2 Oclock PM.

Sep 11 Cloudy & wet with lots of rain last night. got up and churned before breakfast. feel rather dull owing I suppose in a degree at least to the weather. Mark & Harry gathered the fallen apples and took them to Jacob Forkers & made a Barrel of cider. in afternoon took my derrick for hoisting Brick up to Brooks new block & sett it up. hired it to Jerry Lacey for one Dollar per Day when in use. Drizzled rain most of the Day. James M Brown Lucian Gilbert myself & Mr. Wick forman of the paving of Main Street was out to Whinneys gravel bed to see what a manner of gravel it was. we all agreed that it was good enough.

Sep 12 Cloudy & wet still was called out of bed by the butcher. am sixty three years old today. blacksmithed until breakfast. was ready then went up Town. hauled 1200 Paving Brick to Isaac Thomas and came home with the Team. Drizzles rain all Day thus far (12 Oclock). in afternoon we went up and graded the road into Brickyard. William Garwood Died.

Sep 13 Clear at Daylight but soon clouded up again. made line fence in forenoon. in afternoon Mark & Harry cut up corn. I spent afternoon in Town. rained at 7 Oclock PM.

Sep 14 Cloudy & wet rained since Daylight. I blacksmithed some and repaired harness. Mark cut up some corn and in afternoon hauled stone off of Main Street. worked for the Town. rained hard this evening. Wm Garwood Burried.

Sep 15 Cloudy & Drizzled rain a little. churned and blacksmithed some before breakfast. Harry & I hauled Sand and Brick. Mark is hauling for the town. sun shines a little at Times but roads are getting muddy. helped Ed Hise a little and he got Brainards pavement all Down and sand spread over it.

Sep 16 Cloudy or partially so has the appearance of Indian Sumer the Sun looks red. Mark hauled for the Town. Harry & I hauled brick got along fine. Annie Reep Died of Typhoid Fever at ½ past 9 this morning. she was vigorous but soon feel avictim to that terrible Scavenger.

Sep 17 Cloudy warm & wet. rained good part of the night from appearances out this morning. shod horses, made 2 wagon beds in which to haul gravel hold a cubic yard. Margaret made a kettle of apple butter. Ed Hise & Johny Shephard stirred it for her. rained all Day ground is now very wet. Mark netted up Tallow and put it into the Tar can. have wagon grease enough to last 3 years at least unless it gets wasted.

Sep 18 Cloudy & wet. Done nothing to Day I spent the Day in Town. Mark & Harry sat by the fire too wet to do anything else. Annie Reep buried at 2 Oclock PM.

Sep 19 Cloudy & Dull this morning. bought 90 cents worth of beef must still have

something to eat if we cannot Do much else. Mark hauled a load of coal for Bill Stringfellow. Harry picked up apples. I weatherboarded coal house up town. in afternoon Mark Plowed fence row for Trimble. Harry hauled Dirt off of Main Street for the Town. Paid Samuel Street 4 60/100 for Pat Lyons.

Sep 20 Clear & warm sun shone out all Day but at sunset is a little cloudy. Both teams hauling Dirt off of Main Street into brickyard. I looked on. got a letter from Sis Hise at West Liberty Iowa.

Sep 21 Cloudy and partially clear at intervals. looks considerable like raining at times but has yet held up. Main Street is progressing finely. both teams haul Dirt all Day. got a Dispatch from Eli Elliot saying his wife would be in the 11 Oclock Train to night wants Ed Hise to meet her which he will gladlydo. I cannot stay out of bed to see her am too sleepy for that. was out to day to see Grandpap Dickinson he is much better was sitting up by the fire but Harriet is poorly. I fear she is going into consumption. Margaret is setting up waiting for Hollie Elliot. I go early to bed.

Sep 22 Cloudy & wet rained a little most of the forenoon but in afternoon is passible weather. hauled brick all Day got along fine. Hollie arrived all Safe. Eli went on to Philadelphia. Done nothing on Main Street to Day is quite too Soft. is cool at Sunsett with indications that the rain is over.

Sep 23 Cloudy & Dull all Day but no rain. both teams haul Dirt all Day with exception of 3 loads of brick. I looked on most of the time. Paid Samuel Lewis one Dollar I owed him for Stone.

Sep 24 Cloudy and wet. got up at 12 Oclock last night and discovered that there was fire in Town. Dressed as soon as possible and went to see what and where it was. found it to be John Dellabaughs Brick Barn in which was placed for Safe keeping one of Salems Steamer Engines and two reels of hose. the fire was discovered in time to get everything out including two horses and I think a Cow or two. I did not stay long as it was about all burned out when I got there. the walls are uninjured and can soon be repaired. I shod Charlie and made some hinges. gathered some brush for rustic chairs. Margaret & Hollie is up to Jesses for diner. Drizzled rain at times.

Sep 25 Cloudy & wet rained about daylight. hauled brick all Daytoo wet to work on the roads. Mrs. John Webb of Iowa called out a few minutes but I Did not see her.

Sep 26 Cloudy with more rain last night. Hollie Elliot took the ½ past 11 Train last night for Philadelphia. Ed Hise took her to the Depot. Mark hauled a load of coal to Kemp. in afternoon made 3 barrels of cider. I spent most of the Day in Town Doing but little. is much cooler toward evening but still makes out to rain a little. got a letter from William Elkins of Philadelphia.

Sep 27 Cloudy & wet rained most of the night. is wet & cold this morning. Mark & I

finished Paving cellar under Trinity Block. in forenoon Harry boiled cider. in afternoon both teams haul Dirt off of Main Street. the Pavers commenced paving this afternoon glad to see it commenced.

Sep 28 Clear & partially cloudy at times through the Day. hauled dirt in forenoon. in afternoon hauled gravel onto Main Street. one yard makes a big load. the pavers got along well to Day. threatens rain at sunset.

Sep 29 Cloudy & wet having rained most of the night. cut 40 Stakes and took them to Town to mark the grade on Main Street. Mark hauled one load of gravel from Whinneys before noon. sun shines out at times and it looks rather cheerful but I fear it will rain more. both teams haul in afternoon got along fine.

Sep 30 Cloudy but no rain to Day. hauled gravel all day. got in 14 loads. fed our horses in Town and the Drivers took Diner there I carrying it in to them. had 7 teams to day. filled in 36 feet of the Street with gravel one foot thick.

Oct 1 Cloudy & cool. shod 3 horses this morning. mark is up to Pats to day Drove prince. Margaret & Ed are making apple butter. clearing off cool think the rain is over for present. covered a cane head and wrote a letter to Sarah Cary of Newtown Bucks Co Pa.

Oct 2 Clear and cool. hauled gravel to day got along first rate. got in 44 loads with 6 teams. I leveled it all up complete. they have Ellsworth Street about completed. sun sett clear and at 9 Oclock PM is cleared cool.

Oct 3 Clear & cool every prospect this morning of fine weather. 5 teams hauled gravel to Day getting along fine but rained before night. in evening went up Town went to hear McKinley the Republican nominee for Congress in this district. I thought he made a good speech. rained slow all the evening and when I retire it is still at it.

Oct 4 Cloudy & cool roads slippery but we are at the gravel hauling. Mark & I go out to John Gordons after supper and got his mare to help haul gravel. John starts to Centennial in the morning and we can use his mare until his return.

Oct 5 Cloudy & wet with more rain last night. got up early and Shod Mr Gordons Mare all around. hitched up the teams notwithstanding it threatens rain. hauled all day as it rained none. sent word to Jacob Forker to come on and haul Sand. hauled one load of brick selling very few indeed. have no time to attend to it.

Oct 6 Cloudy and looks much like raining. was up Town last evening to hear Judge Kelley of Philadelphia. he was hard on Tilden and the Democratic party. he is a member of Congress and knows whereof he speaks. says the ascendancy of the Democratic party is a complete triumph of the lost cause in an indirect way. he says such a catastrophy must not take place or we are gone up. hauled a few loads of gravel between showers but was

too wet all Day to be out with a team but few stones was laid to Day.

Oct 7 Cloudy & wet. still threatens rain though the wind is in northwest. churned this morning was rather hard to get butter too cold I suppose. we got in a full Days haulingof gravel.

Oct 8 Cloudy & cool. repaired ladder. want to have apples picked to morrow. Walkers family visited us. Mr. Weeks ____ on Main Street. spent a portion of the Day & took Diner with us.

Oct 9 Clear & cool. hauled gravel to some purpose to Day. roads are good. Wiley is picking our winter apples.

Oct 10 Cloudy & cool. hauled gravel. Mark went at noon to Denis Lyons wedding. Samuel Gibbons is Driving team in hisabsence. our pavers went off to Warren at noon for the purpose as they Say of voting the Democrat ticket and I will add to get drunk so that we will get but little good out of them for the next Day or two. voting is going on peaceably but about all will be polled on both Sides. I came home and stay there. it don't pay me to go without my regular rest. for all there is in on early return of votes it is seldom reliable anyhow.

Oct 11 Clear & cool. got along fine hauling gravel but no stone laid to Day as I expected. all hands came home drunk. conflicting election returns Keep the streets in an uproar all day but this evening it is conceded that both Ohio and Indiana have gone Republican Ohio certainly. Bell is tolling as I write but I have no idea what for. expect sis at 11 Oclock PM.

Oct 12 Clear & cool. ground froze in places this morning. pleasant all Day. hauled gravel got along fine to Day. Mark came home at noon. Paid Sam Gibbons for his 2 ½ days work as soon as he was done. Mark Drove team this afternoon. a little cloudy but not much appearance of Rain. Sis Hise returned from Iowa at 11 Oclock last night brot presents from our folks there. mine from Howel is a splendid pocket knife. margarets is an entire Suit of under wear that is extra nice. Noras a bottle of very pleasant perfume etc etc.

Oct 13 Clear & cool frost this morning. hauled gravel. Discharged Berry at noon as we can supply the balance ourselves. Paid Berry five Dollars. got Frank Hise to haul some brick for me. looks a little like rain at sunset.

Oct 14 Cloudy & wet. shod one of the horses & put Side boards on light wagon. spent the afternoon in Town. rained about all Day & is cold.

Oct 15 Cloudy & cold snowed some. Mark & I covered our apples with Straw for fear they might freeze. spent a little of the afternoon at Jonathon Evans but most of the Day at home. is cold at sunset.

Oct 16 Cloudy & cold ground froze Dry. Mark is hauling gravel Harry & I hauling Brick. put the entire Day at it.

Oct 17 Clear & cold. mark hauled gravel & Harry & I hauled brick all Day. Doc Hardman Died at 4 Oclock this morning he fills a Drunkards grave. he was naturally Smart but in an evil moment gave way to the intoxicating bow “Touch not taste not the unclean thing”.

Oct 18 Clear & cool. white frost this morning. Mark hauled gravel Harry & I Brick gravel and plank. commenced tearing up Main Street across Broadway want to get that much more done this fall. Doc Hardman was buried at 1 Oclock to day.

Oct 19 Clear & cool. Mark hauled gravel Harry & I hauled plank and Stone. got all torn up and cleared off that will be done this fall and the hands commenced excavating Dirt. Paid Beeson five Dollars from hauling gravel. Paid Wiley 2 Dollars.

Oct 20 Cloudy at Day light but cleared off and is pleasant all Day. Mark hauled gravel until noon. in afternoon he hauled rubbish off the Street. Harry hauled Dirt and Stone. Wiley & I worked at the Pavement on East Broadway want to get that done next thing. rained a little at sunset.

Oct 21 Clear & very pleasant. Mark hauled one load of gravel and that completes our job making just 200 loads altogether. in afternoon Mark hauled a load of coal. Harry hauled sand and brick. Wiley & I graded the foundation for pavement on East Broadway and spread the sand ready to lay the bricks. Paid Mark 30 Dollars to bear his way to Centennial & back.

Oct 22 Cloudy & warm. Ironed bucket & Derrick for Ed Hise. he came not. warm and thundered considerable toward evening. Wiley & Mark loaded cider apples.

Oct 23 Cloudy & wet rained considerable last night. this morning at 6 ½ oclock Mark started for the Centennial. 112 bought tickets here and went on the Same Train. Harry & Wiley made cider about 4 Barrels. I done but little as it rained all Day. Nora called at Wm Howels & got her Umbrella that we forgot last July at Sarah Carys in Newtown Bucks Co Pa.

Oct 24 Cloudy & cool in forenoon. Harry & I cleared Main Street of rubbish such as stone coarse gravel etc as far as it is paved. in afternoon we hauled brick. rained at four Oclock and we quit & came home. Sold our old copper Kettle that David Scholdfield got made 61 years ago for the purpose of boiling Down Allum water that was found in Digging a well in Lexington Township about that time but from what I can learn at this time it proved unprofitable and of course was soon abandoned. for many years the kettle above mentioned served the whole neighborhood round about Salem. was known as “Beccy Scholdfields Copper Kettle”.

Oct 25 Cloudy & cool. hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon Harry hauled pumpkins and I took John Gordons mare home. roads are now quite muddy and weather cold and raw. Bought paper to fix up Marks bed room while he is absent.

Oct 26 Cloudy cold and rough weather. spit snow most of the Day. Harry & I hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon Harry & Wiley took winter apples. I spent the afternoon in Town Doing up schores of one kind and another. will freeze some to night.

Oct 27 Clear & cool ground froze some this morning. Harry & I haul brick all Day. sun shone pleasant but air is cool all day. (Paid Joel McMillen 26 Dollars for hauling gravel on Main Street.

Oct 28 Cloudy & wet rained last night. Harry & I hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon was too wet hauled one load and quit. bought a Barrel of very nice Salt made by J R Hall of Michigan. Bought 49 lb of Pork of Stephen Adams at 7 cts.

Oct 29 Cloudy & warm. worked all Day at the Bathroom. laid the floor put up studding hung the door and lathed up sufficient to keep the cats out of the kitchen. had no visitors to day for a wonder. cloudy & dull all day.

Oct 30 Cloudy & dull. worked at Bathroom until breakfast when Harry & I haul brick most of the Day. he hauled in one load of corn. Sam Gibbons & his boys commenced husking to day. Paid Stephen Adams for the pork bought.

Oct 31 Cloudy & partially clear through the Day. very warm & Pleasant. Harry & I hauled brick & he hauled in one load of corn. I worked considerable at the Bath house. Margaret & Sis Hise visited Anne Seeds and Cydna Goodrich of West Liberty, Iowa. called but they being absent she Did not tarry. will come again in the morning. write a letter to Wm. Hise.

Nov 1 Clear warm & pleasant all Day. hauled brick & corn. Margaret & Nora went over to Mother Goulbourns brot Cid back with them but she is at Sis's tonight.

Nov 2 Cloudy & Dull. Harry & I hauled a few brick in forenoon. in afternoon he hauled corn & I worked at Bath room. Cid Goodrich & any amount of company is here this afternoon & evening.

Nov 3 Cloudy & a little colder. Harry & I hauled two loads of brick. in afternoon I worked at Bath house & Harry hauled Kemp a load of coal. Thomas Hanna and Old School mate and particular friend who now lives in Muscatine Iowa called in to see us. I never was better pleased. Mark returned at noon.

Nov 4 Cloudy & cool. Mark hauled coal Harry hauled corn & one load of brick. I speent the day in Town. Settled with Austin Flag Stone Co all Satisfactory. they paid us for 543

loads of gravel which will make us about whole. I am well pleased with them think them gentlemen. was round some with Thomas Hanna took him Down to his Birth place he left at 5 PM.

Nov 5 Cloudy & warm. worked at Bath room. got in all ready for the plasterer. mended a comb for Margaret. was busy about all Day feel first rate. Cid Ed & sis is visiting at Saxons. I prefer staying at home and glad I did as I spent the day very Satisfactorily indeed.

Nov 6 Cloudy rainy & wet cold and very disagreeable. took our old cistern pump up to Daniel Bowltons and a stick to make a new one. intended to haul brick but was too wet. Louis Keen Paid me 40 Dollars. I paid off a note of one hundred Dollars in bank. Paid a stone bill of Ellas at Schillings for 6 25/100 Doll. caught a terrible cold to Day by walking home in cold rain.

Nov 7 Cloudy & Dull. spent a portion of the Day in Town feeling very badly with my cold. voted and afternoon a spell I came home and laid by the fire. too wet to work out and Mark Done but little in consequence. Cod Spent the Day with us but to fulfil an engagement goes to Sis's to stay all night. in evening mark went up Town to get Election news. came home late with nothing Definite.

Nov 8 Cloudy & cool. indications this morning are that Tilden (Democrat) is elected but but I wont give it up yet. spent a portion of the Day in Town. Sold 4 bushels of gate apples. did not give good Satisfaction was sorry for that wished I had not took them as I dislike to sell a man any article with which he is not suited. I hope he may find them better than he thinks. snowed some but melted as it fell. Mark hauled us a load of coal.

Nov 9 Cloudy & Dull. Mark & I hauled a few brick in forenoon. in afternoon went for a load of coal. I walked back stopped in to see P Laubiews House it is fine. found mortar enough there that I can get to plaster our Bath house. Election returns more favorable for Hayes but nothing positive. both parties present Silence afraid to crow.

Nov 10 Cloudy & colder ground froze a little this morning. I spent the day in Town Settling up our gravel business which had got a little snarled. Mark Dug Potatoes. I Paid John Satterthwait 44 Dollars interest money got 27 of it of D Crumrine. Sold Samuel Grove 4500 Paving brick want to haul them tomorrow. all quiet on Election yet at 7 O'clock PM.

Nov 11 Cloudy & Snowing at Daylight continued until 9 or 10 O'clock when it ceased and soon all disappeared. Wiley & I commenced setting brick. Mark put potatoes in the Cellar and hauled a load of coal. roads are getting bad.

Nov 12 Clear & cool ground froze considerable this morning. fit in the Sash and finished the window in the bath house. Shod Roy. made a knitting hook for Sis Hise. Sold John Moore two of our young pigs for Six Dollars to be paid in Stone coal. Mark is up at Pats

to Day. Cid Goodrich & Frank Sheets spent their last evening with us (this visit) as they expect to leave Salem on the early train in the morning. we shall miss them.

Nov 13 Cloudy & warm. hauled brick all Day. ought to have Dug Potatoes but brick is in Demand and I must sell. John Moore called and got his two pigs. sold 4 more to H K Zimmerman all sold now.

Nov 14 Cloudy & wet. rained until ten O'clock. I blacksmithed until then fixed up my window over the vice bench so as to shut out the wet & cold. Mark took Nora to school walking is too bad to go on foot. in afternoon got Alexander Niblo to come out and plaster our Bathroom. charged me and I paid him one Dolar. got the mortar of Judge Lauby for which I am to haul Dirt into his Door yard. he left it entirely to me how much to haul. Zimmerman got his pigs.

Nov 15 Cloudy & threatens rain. Mark & I hauled brick to Samuel Grove in forenoon. in afternoon Mark hauled corn & pumpkins. I spent the afternoon in Town a good part of the time at the Buckeye. gloomy Dark & unpleasant weather. Everett Kirtland Died Suddenly this morning of congestive chills. he doubtless exposed himself too much this damp cold weather and was not properly attended to until too late.

Nov 16 Cloudy & dull. Mark & Wiley finisheddigging our potatoes to day. no use whatever to wait for the ground to dry get worse all the time. the roads are bad already. I am too unwell to do any kind of labor to day. went up town and settled up with John C Whinney & the Austin flag Stone company now we are all straight and right. I believe them to be honorable upright men and am well satisfied with the treatment I received at their hands.

Nov 17 Cloudy & dull. I feel some better this morning but am not well by any means. my eyesight is not right. spent the day in Town. Mark hauled in corn. bought two reception chairs at Doc Hardmans Sale Paid 4.00.

Nov 18 Cloudy & Dull. helped Ed Hise get things ready to top out a chimney on Trinity Block smokes. he built it 4 feet higher. Margaret & I took Diner and spent the afternoon at Doc Rush's where we met Hutchins Sattertwait & wife H K Zimmerman and wife James Trotter & wife John Gordon & 2 Miss Ramsdens of Liverpool England. had a very pleasant time indeed. came home before dark went and came on foot as the roads are too bad to take a Carriage out. Mark hauled corn.

Nov 19 Cloudy & Dull. repaired an umbrella frame that I have owned since 1838. Bought it of Wm Wilson who then sold Dry goods in Salem. Painted Sash in Bathroom window. wrote a letter to Parker Pillsbury in answer to one I received from him last evening. got a Dispatch (Jim Post did) that his brother Thomas was killed.

Nov 20 Cloudy & damp. Mark hauled Sand for pavement and I laid Down about all the brick that is hauled. Ella got back to Day after an absence of one week. Jesse Duck paid

me 72 cents for 2 chickens.

Nov 21 Cloudy & wet drizzling rain at Daylight. we hauled the brick and finished our pavement on East broadway. put plenty of Sand on top. Thomas Posts corpse arrived by rail at 12 O'clock was buried at 3 in afternoon sad affair. no prospects of clear weather yet.

Nov 22 Cloudy & slightly cooler. Mark hauled coal. I spent the Day in Town to but little purpose. continued to grow colder all Day will freeze to night.

Nov 23 Cloudy & cool. shod Charlies hind feet. Mark hauled coal and one small load of manure. in aftgernoon I made a tube to let water out of Dam I am building for the purpose of getting ice. will let the water off in the Spring. growed gradually colder all Day will freeze considerableto night. Margaret was over to see Mouther Goulbourn to night she is very well. she presented Margaret a beautiful quilt that she has pieced with her own hands since about the first of August last. she is in her ninetieth since July 7 1876. few indeed can surpass her sewing even now.

Nov 24 Cloudy & cold ground froze considerable with a little bit of snow. Mark hauled coal I commenced building the Dam in earnest. Stephen Adams and Bill Stringfellow is Doing it. thawed some is considerable warmer at sunset. will freeze but little if any to night.

Nov 25 Cloudy & cool but Does not freeze. snowed and melted all Day. Stephen Adams & Bill Stringfellow is working at the Dam. I settled up accounts with several. Mark hauled coal in forenoon. in afternoon hauled the Balance of our corn it is now all husked and in the crib. got a post card from Parker Pillsbury acknowledging the receipt of my letter. (John Blackburns wife Died).

Nov 26 Cloudy & moderate the ground covered with snow. shod 3 of our horses to day that needed it some. put up some wood work in kitchen & glazed my bathroom window. snow melted none of account as the ground is still covered at sunset.

Nov 27 Cloudy & snowing continued snowing most of the Day. Mark could do but little to day was too Stormy to take the Team out. I spent the Day in Town Doing but little. Stephen butchered his hogs in place of building dam.

Nov 28 Cloudy & cool. sun shone some to day. worked at the Dam. Mark hauled coal. I bought a sett of Double harness very cheap or I should not have bought them at all.

Nov 29 Clear & cold. hauled brick & coal. Stephen worked at the Dam alone got it so that we let the water in. thawed a little in the Sun but cold air all Day.

Nov 30 Cloudy & cold. spent the forepart of the Day in Town. Mark hauled a load of Slack. had a thanksgiving turkey. Bessie Rush was Noras company all we had except Sis

& Ed Hise. will freeze hard to night.

Dec 1 Cloudy & cold with some snow too stormy for me to go out. worked in shop all Day repaired harness chains etc etc. Mark took a grist of wheat to mill and brot a load of coal. we now have about 2 inches of Snow and is quite cold. gave Nora who is 14 years old to Day a nice gold necklace & amber cross. Mark gave her a fine gold ring so that she is now quite sett up. they all cost 18 Dollars.

Dec 2 Cloudy & cold storms considerable in way of snow. I spent most of the day in Town. hung a door to coal house. Brown moved into room No 2 in trinity block second floor. plenty of snow for sledding if the roads were not so rough.

Dec 3 Cloudy & cool. snowed very fast a part of the Day. I painted our bathhouse and made an excellent sink to put in it. fine winter. no company to day.

Dec 4 Cloudy & cool snowed some to day but is a little warmer. Mark hauls 2 loads of coal. I spent the forenoon in Town. the afternoon I spent in working with Wiley at the Dam it is filling up slowly. Belle Miller is here this afternoon going to stay all night.

Dec 5 Clear & cool. mark hauled coal. I spent the Day in Town Doing but little. heard that Aunt Lib Sheets & her Daughter Hattie are over to Tim Gees. sun shone pleasant all Day but thawed none in the Shade.

Dec 6 Clear & cold as usual very fine winter weather with 2 inches of snow. wrote a letter to G W Hise of West Liberty Iowa. spent most of the Day in Town. Margaret & Sis is over to Tim Gees to see Aunt Lib.

Dec 7 Clear & cool. Blacksmithed all Day put the new ____ in 2 horse wagon. repaired my Cart. Mark hauled Kemp a load of coal in forenoon. ____ afternoon to Sow Down to Hendricks. thieves robbed Benj Hilmans hen roost. he found 13 heads.

Dec 8 Clear & cool. Mark hauled coal. I spent the Day in Town. Aunt Lib Sheets of Iowa is here with her daughter Hattie. Mary Gee is here also. thawed very little to day roads are good now. went for our Sow but she had got out and gone I know not where.

Dec 9 Cloudy cold and blustery wind blew a gale all night. snow is drifted this morning mercury 4 degrees below zero.

Dec 10 Clear & very cold froze hard last night. will have to keep up good fire to Day. Mary Gee & Lib Sheets went home about noon. we all stuck close to the fire. heard that our Sow got drowned Down at Hendricks Mill where Mark took her and left her on Friday afternoon last.

Dec 11 Cloudy & cold with lots more snow this morning. got our Sleds out. Mark took Nora to school. I spent the Day in Town. Mark took corn to mill to get ground for feed

for our beef that we are fattening want to make it fat. Sister Fannie Died at ¼ past 7 AM.

Dec 12 Cloudy & Dull with heavy atmosphere indicating a break up. I spent the Day in Town. Mark hauled coal. thawed but very little. sold a few brick.

Dec 13 Clear & warmer. Mark hauled coal. I spent the Day in Town. sold a few brick. got a postal card from John Hise announcing the Death of Sister Fannie at ¼ past 7 AM on Monday the 11 the inst. she Dropped off the chair dead without a moments warning and spoke not. I await further particulars. thawed considerable to Day.

Dec 14 Clear & pleasant winter weather. called down to see Ernst McMillen he is much better. spent most of the Day in Town. Mark hauled coal. Fisher A Blackson who I believe was the very first Attorney at Law that settled in Columbiana County Died to Day at very advanced age 96 years. was the first Lawyer I ever heard plead a case and that is now fifty one years ago. the Justice of the Peace before whom the case was tried Still lives here in Salem and is far advanced in life.

Dec 15 Clear & cold. shod two of our horses all around with new sharp shoes. the roads are as sollid and smooth as can be. Jno Brainard paid me 70 Dollars through Joseph Geiner. I signed a receipt guaranteeing the pavement a good one. cold & windy. Mark hauled one load of coal.

Dec 16 Cloudy and very cold. I spent the Day in Town & Mark sat by the fire at home. Fisher A Blackson buried to Day. he was at the time of his death the oldest Free Mason in County.

Dec 17 Cloudy & cold as usual. we all spent the Day at home stuck close to the fire. I ½ soled my Boots. but few callers to Day weather too cold for comfort.

Dec 18 Cloudy & cold with more snow this morning. Mark hauled a load of Slack for Kemp and one load of coal to Farmers National Bank. I spent the day in Town looking up business.

Dec 19 Clear & very cold. Stephen & Wiley butchered two of our hogs and one for Joel McMillen the latter by mistake. it happened to be here when we let ours out of the pen and Stephen not knowing it from ours of course shot it. we were then forced to dress it. I cut it up for them and Arthur took it home. cut ours up and Salted it down. Mark hauled coal.

Dec 20 Clear & cold at Sunrise. Mark is hauling coal. I spend a good portion of the Day in Town. have rented my Store room and am fixing up matters connected therewith. weather is moderating a little.

Dec 21 Cloudy & cold. Mark hauled coal. I spent most of the Day in Town doing but little. articled with the parties that rented my store room. Killed & dressed a couple of

Turkeys one for Wm Elkins & the other for Jacob Lease Both of Philadelphia our Cousins where we boarded while seeing the Centennial. Margaret stuffed and prepared them for cooking. in evening we went to Depot and met Alfred Sheets & wife brot them home with us. had to wait one hour as the Train was that much behind time.

Dec 22 Cloudy & cold fine winter weather as can be. shipped the Turkeys by Express cost 65 cents each almost as much as they were worth. we all went over to Tim Gees and spent the Day ate goose for Diner. came home at 6 PM sledding good.

Dec 23 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. bought Ella a very nice Trunk cost 13 Dollars. Mark hauled one load of coal. bought Sis & Nora a nice wall basket and Hattie Sheets a picture.

Dec 24 Cloudy with winter just the Same pleasant winter as can be. Sat about the house the entire Day had it to ourselves in a measure.

Dec 25 Cloudy and moderate weather no change to note. Mark went up to Pats this morning. Alfred Sheets his wife and daughter with Timothy Gee & wife took Christmas Diner with us. had a pleasant Day. Ed & Sis was with us likewise. Splendid winter.

Dec 26 Cloudy and weather just the Same. Alfred Lizzie went up to Richard Kirtlands. Mark came home at noon. he and Sheppard hauled in fodder. I tried out our lard and put it away made a good job of it.

Dec 27 Cloudy with no change in weather. Mark hauled coal. I Blacksmithed all Day. Ironed wagon bed for Sam Davis am to have manure for pay that much clear gain.

Dec 28 cloudy with no change in weather yet. Mark hauled coal. I spent most of the Day in Town. clubbed with Joseph Fawcett and put in 2 Dollars in gold for Joseph Castleberrys golden wedding. attended it in evening with 249 others Margaret & I both enjoyed it very much. walked home about 11 O'clock PM. got a letter from Wm Elkins acknowledging the receipt of the Turkey sent him.

Dec 29 Cloudy and storming tremendously. Mark has just turned out to take Alfred & Lizzie over to Tim Gees. they will leave there for Iowa this afternoon. very stormy all Day so much so that I did not leave the house.

Dec 30 Cloudy & snowing a little this morning. Mark hauled 2 loads of manure and one load of coal. I spent the Day in Town. Margaret & I called to see Charles Grizell who is almost Done with this worlds troubles. he gave me a very choice stick for a cane one that I can make a splendid one of. shall try and keep it as he is a valued Friend. Ella is out at Jim Bennetts.

Dec 31 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. Mark hitched up the Blacks and took up the Blacks and took Margaret and I out to Harriet Arners where we spent the Day with

the entire Saxon Family and that of King Wilsons also. Grandpap Dickinson is feeling his very best says he must go to Philadelphia next summer. we came home in good time. Ella returned home at 3 O'clock PM. with the year 1876 I close this volume of my Journal. Terrible Rail Road accident on Friday evening at 8 O'clock on the Lake Shore road. the Iron Suspension Bridge across Astabula Creek Broke Down with 2 Locomotives attached to eleven cars in all and 175 Passengers all or nearly all of whom were killed and wounded. a great many burned up. fell 60 feet and broke through the ice. the particulars of course we have not got yet. it will be a fearful record when it comes.

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Jan 1 Cloudy with as nice winter weather as one could wish. Done nothing to day but loaf around Town. Bought this book for 2 dollars of Thomas Bonsall. snowed some in afternoon. Mark done nothing.

Jan 2 Cloudy with a little more snow. Mark & I undertook to haul brick but after hauling one load gave it up as being too cold altogether. he hauled coal and I put the inside windows in Store room. Margaret went visiting to Sister Unas. snowed a little all day is real cold.

Jan 3 Cloudy & cold snowing a little most of the day. Mark hauled one load of coal I spent most of the Day in Town. Margaret visited Grandmother Goulbourn with Mary & Betty Saxon. Ed Hise took her back and forth.

Jan 4 Cloudy with weather about the same. are having a very even winter. Mark hauled coal. I commenced a Sleigh at the Buckeye no room in our own shop. Margaret is visiting with Saxons at Sis Hise's. no change of weather to note.

Jan 5 Cloudy and fine winter as can be. worked at my Sleigh. Mark hauled fodder & 1 load of coal to Thomas Bonsall. James Davis as Township Trustee Sent Wiley Ward out for a Horse & Sleigh to go to Lisbon and bring Reason Francis Daughter up to take care of her Father as he is in a Dieing condition. thawed a very little this afternoon. Aaron Wilson & wife spent the evening.

Jan 6 Cloudy and considerable warmer this morning. Mark & I hauled Brick. sledding as good as can be. Wm Howel & wife spent the evening with us. thawed some to day. snow is soft and at 9 O'clock PM more is falling.

Jan 7 Cloudy with at least 6 inches more snow down this morning the trees are loaded with it. shoveled paths in order to get about. must now be 15 inches there on the level. J F Dickinson his daughter Harriet & her Son Jont Evans his wife & 2 children with Belle Miller visited us to Day.

Jan 8 Cloudy with lots more snow Down & more falling. worked at my Sleigh. Mark can do but little too much Snow. must be all of 2 feet. Paid Purch 4 55/100 that I had owed him for some time.

Jan 9 Cloudy with some more snow this morning. worked at the Sleigh. Mark hauled one load of coal. heard this evening that Charles Grizell expired last night. he has been failing a long time another of my Old and Reliable friends gone.

Jan 10 Cloudy with cold winter weather. Snow is too deep to get about to advantage. Mark can do nothing except to take Nora to school and I to the Buckeye where I am still

at work on my Sleigh. Hannah Barsley is spending evening with us. She and Caleb Arner took Supper with us. snowed a little all Day.

Jan 11 Cloudy with rather a warm atmosphere this morning. work at the Sleigh for an hour or so when I attend the funeral of Charles Grizell which takes place at 1 O'clock from the quaker meeting house on Dry Street where we have the usual amount of inspiration whined out by the inevitable deciples of Fox male and Female youth and old age. all persisted in reiterating the old story that all men are appointed once to die a fact that I think sufficiently established with the aid of Inspiration but they offer me no antidote. rained most of the afternoon. Jews throwed up the Store room paid me 25 Dollars for it.

Jan 12 Cloudy & colder again this morning snow is frozen. Mark is too poorly to do ought but sit by the fire. I work at the Sleigh getting pretty well along. thawed a little and a kind of mist fell most of the Day but at night is freezing.

Jan 13 Cloudy & cold. made shafts for Sleigh. Mark hauled a load of coal for Andrew Goily. thawed none to day and sleighing could not be better.

Jan 14 Cloudy with pleasant winter weather. Ed Hise & I went Sleighing out to John Hinchcliffs. he is quite far gone in consumption but is cheerful. Ed sold him his cow for 60 Dollars. returned home about 2 O'clock and spent the balance of the Day by the fire.

Jan 15 Cloudy with heavy atmosphere this morning. I worked at Sleigh a part of the Day. Mark done but little except to haul us back & forth from Town. rained most of the Day and at five O'clock PM is raining fast but freezing on the trees. roads will be icy in the morning most likely.

Jan 16 Cloudy & moderate. Mark is getting things ready to butcher hogs. I finished wood work of Sleigh and took it to John Gordons to get it primed. thawed none to day. Reason Francis (Collored) died last night he was a right clever man.

Jan 17 Cloudy & some colder. Joseph Davis came on this morning to help us butcher. Wiley & Jack assisted also. Arthur McMillen shot them so that we had plenty of help. I helped Benj Hilman put his Sleighbed together. in afternoon Stephen & I put on our brick shed that broke down with weight of snow bad job. will loose lots of unburned brick in consequence. Jo davis cut our pork all up complete the most Satisfactory butcher I ever hired.

Jan 18 Cloudy & warmer thawed considerable to Day. took our Sausage up and got chopped 98 pounds of it. brot our new Sleigh out made some of the irons for it. Mark rendered out one kettle of lard have considerable more to do yet. this evening Margaret & I by Special invitation spent with the Grand Army of the Republic at their Rooms on Broadway and a grand Old time we with an hundred there had. the meeting was one of Social order where each one was at liberty to enjoy him or herself as seemed most fitting.

had splendid music by the Silver Cornett Band and singing that could not be surpassed. timely little speeches and a Camp Supper consisting of Pork & beans hard tack & coffee that was really substantial. all present seemed to enjoy it much. Margaret & I came home at 11 O'clock leaving most of the company still there. it was an occasion not soon to be forgotten.

Jan 19 Cloud Damp with wet Dense atmosphere but not thawing any this morning. the air seems to be full of snow. I omitted to record in its proper place the unusually large load of Stone coal brought to Town on last Monday the 15th by John trotter. Sled and coal weighed ten thousand three hundred thirty pounds. The coal weighed nine thousand one hundred and Eighty pounds making one hundred fourteen bushels and Sixty pounds. 2 other large loads were hauled by other parties one contained 102 & 8 pounds the other about 101 bushel. got our beef butchered sold all but one hind quarters. I spent the Day shoveling snow off the Trinity Block.

Jan 20 Cloudy & warmer thawed all night last night. I ironed at the Sleigh and helped render out lard got it all done complete. Mark hauled coal & manure. thawed considerable to Day but sledding is pretty good yet. is colder at sunset and is making lots of ice to night. Jo Elton & Ann Heddlemier (Ellas Sister is with us to Day and are going to stay all night.

Jan 21 Clear & cold will thaw none to day at least that is the indication as I write at 9 O'clock AM. Uncle Silas Howel called out and spent the day with us. glad of it. cold all Day. roads are a glib of ice. Margaret took Diner with Sis Hise.

Jan 22 Clear & cold sun shone pleasant all Day but thawed none in the Shade. Ironed at my Sleigh. Mark rendered out our Tallow. Marius R Robinson called out to have us go out and spend the evening with John Gordon which we done accordingly. I drove the Blacks. Ed & Sis Marius & Emly Anne Clark myself& Margaret made up the crowd. we spent a pleasant evening & returned at ½ past ten PM. found the house warm. Mark sat up to take care of the Team. soon retired.

Jan 23 Clear & sharp. repacked my meat that seems to be doing well. shod one of our horses. spent most of the day in Town. bought stuff for Mark & I each an every day coat the two cost eleven dollars trimmed out. am going to get Thomas Posts widow to make them as she must be needy. thawed but little. sent P O order to D M Bennett for Truth Seeker.

Jan 24 Cloudy & cold. Blacksmithed until noon. in afternoon went up Town. found the Jews were boxing up goods and shipping them to Pittsburgh so that my room is again empty. must try and rent it. took coat to Mrs. Post.

Jan 25 Cloudy & cold as Greenland. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal. I spent the entire day in Town Doing nothing except to read the newspapers and talk Politics neither of which is profitable. bought a little iron for Sleigh but am still waiting for Steel Shoes.

Jan 26 Clear & pleasant. shod Dollie in forenoon. spent the balance of the Day in Town. Mark hauled one load of coal. thawed considerable in afternoon but is freezing in the shade at 5 O'clock PM.

Jan 27 Clear & pleasant but a trifle colder the wind having hauled around to the west. can do nothing to day for want of material. Mark is hauling coal while the roads are good. at noon Ed Hise his wife & mother with Margaret & myself Start for Joshua Davis's where we spend the afternoon very pleasantly. Sister Una was there also. Mark took us down and at seven O'clock came after us. night is beautiful with moon about full. thawed considerable but sledding is yet possible.

Jan 28 Cloudy & dull out this morning thawed some. spent the Day sitting about the house. expected company but none came.

Jan 29 Clear & warm very pleasant all Day. Mark hauled manure from Town. I spent the Day in Town waiting for the Sleigh soles but they did not come. Stephen Adams is cutting wood for me.

Jan 30 Clear & very pleasant sun shone warm all Day. Mark & I hauled out 2100 Brick want to build a smoke house if possible. bought Stephen Adams a pair of boots cost 3 25/100 Doll. bought Margaret a pair of rubbers cost 60 cts got myself a coat Does very well. snow is about gone in the road. plenty in fields.

Jan 31 Cloudy & warm. finished mySleigh and took it up to John Garwoods to get it Painted. Mark hung our meat up ready to Smoke. roads are getting muddy. Thomas Baker Died this morning.

Feb 1 Clear & warm thawed all night last night. made iron Door frame for our new smoke house. Belle Miller is here to diner she is fat as ever. I spent the afternoon in Town. roads are getting sloppy. Mark hauled 2 loads of manure from Higgins he owed me for mowing. I was glad to get it. does me just as well as money.

Feb 2 Cloudy & Dense fog warm & wet rained hard in the night. I spent the day in Town. rained some through the day. turned the water out of my Dam at the Brickyard. while there I broke through the ice and got into water up to my waist. It is needless to add that I not only got wet feet but a wet axxx but I finished my job and went up Town and Sat by Don Crumrines hot stove and dried myself and as I write at 7 in the evening felt none the worse for the duncking. Mark is smoking our meat the we cured early.

Feb 3 Cloudy & moderate. Mark & I made our cistern pump up at Daniel Boltons shop he being unwell. spent a good portion of the day in Town trying to find a Tennant for my room in Trinity Block. have some prospects of renting at a low figure. Borrowed a book out of J T rooks Law library that I used to borrow of his Father 40 years ago ("Phillips Curran Grattan & Emmitt") on Irish Eloquence. I still love to read it and think Nora will

hence I borrowed it. was up Town until 9 O'clock a very unusual occurance for me.

Feb 4 Clear & moderate roads very sloppy. Ed Hise & Sis Margaret & myself all visited at Marius R Robinson where we met John Deming & wife Mrs. Bown John Gordon & Mrs. Anne Clark. Mark took to & fro in light wagon very comfortable way of going with roads as they now are. we came home before dark.

Feb 5 Cloudy & some colder the ground being frozen some this morning. I spent the entire Day in Town trying to rent my room but failed as yet. Stephen Adams is chopping wood for me. thawed in middle of the day.

Feb 6 Cloudy & a little colder. Mark & I moved out our house down to the Shop hauled it down with the horses. Mark filled up shed in front of Shop. I made a new shaft for Carriage & mended up our breast chains that had gotten well worn. thawed but little to day the roads are bad but we have no hauling to day.

Feb 7 Cloudy with weather about the Same. Mark & I hauled in fodder in forenoon. Gene B Allaback of East Palestine against whom I hold a note (that I left in the hands of my Attorney for collection) called on me and plead poverty. I took a watch of him in place of money as he said he could give me nothing else at present. gave him a receipt for Eighteen Dollars that amount to be credited on the back of the note. I spent the afternoon in Town to but little purpose. Mark repaired fences and done other schores about the farm.

Feb 8 Clear & pleasant all Day. made 2 sett of hinges hung coal house doors up at Trinity Block now is complete there. Mark hauled fodder for Ed Hise and took grist to mill. I spent most of the day in Town.

Feb 9 Clear & frosty this morning. Mark took a lot of chickens up Town. I accompanied him & took 4 Hamburgh chickens up to Andrew Potter. Spent considerable of the Day in Town. fine weather as can be.

Feb 10 Clear & pleasant ground froze but will thaw some as usual. Mark boated Stone for smoke house foundation. I spent forenoon in Town. in afternoon I went out to John Hinchcliffs Sale. things sold at a Sacrifice. called at Hol Arners on my way back she is looking pretty well. Bought a huge Turkey to breed from weighs 24 lb.

Feb 11 Clear. was wakened up at 6 O'clock by the alarm of fire. dressed as soon as convenient and started for Town. soon learned that the fire was in Hill Tolertons Building corner of Main & Lundy. broke out in the Photograph Galery. it was soon subdued as both Steamers were out and had plenty of water soon covered the upper floor 4 inches deep. hard to say which damaged most fire or water. I cut 2 of my corner stone for smokehouse. very pleasant all day.

Feb 12 Cloudy & colder but rains a little. soon snowed & blowed considerable. Mark &

I hauled 3 loads of brik in forenoon & brot a Door Sill for Smokehouse from Town. turned much colder in afternoon & is going to freeze hard to night. it is ascertained to day that Tolertons Building was set on fire by some Scoundrel that deserves shooting.

Feb 13 Clear & cold. Mark Dug foundation for new Smoke house. I spent good part of the afternoon in Town. thawed a little where the Sun shone fair but no where else. Sold Andrew Goily a load of Stone coal. roads are pretty good now.

Feb 14 Clear & cold froze hard last night is hard on wheat. shod Jon and dressed up my stone tools mended singletrees etc etc. spent the afternoon in Town. came home past Philip Evans called in and chatted with him awhile. got a letter from Wm Hise of Iowa answered it to night. not so cold. Mark hauled a load of coal.

Feb 15 Cloudy & warmer with wind in South. Mark & I cut up Big white Oak tree made most of it into fence posts. was not up Town.

Feb 16 Cloudy and moderate. Mark took chickens & lard up Town. hauled one load of manure. in afternoon he hauled Ed Hise a load of coal. I cut stone in forenoon. in afternoon I went To Town Sold a few Brick.

Feb 17 Cloudy & cold wind blowed cold all Day. Johny Shepherd came home to day. Says it is no use for him to Stay at Jesses thinking to board to be a blacksmith a conclusion I had come to some time since but I can find no place for him but will do the best I can for him. I spent the entire day in Town. got my watch from Kastlemyers. repairing cost 2 Dollars. I think it a good one. got a letter from Parker Pillsbury he is Worcester Mass. cold damp wind from northwest all Day.

Feb 18 Clear & pleasant at sunrise but soon clouded up. Mark went up to Pats. Gyp Walker & Susie Bennett spent the day with us. I ws scarcely out side the door all Day. read old Journal of 1849 & 50 that carried the mind back to scenes that I would like to repeat but they have gone never to return and must do the work allotted to me to day.

Feb 19 Cloudy colder and stormy out this morning. snowing & blowing from northwest. I am too dizzy headed to do anything not even eat my breakfast but at Margaret's suggestion did take a dose of Saltz. wrote Parker Pillsbury. got a letter from Wm Hise. loaded 1000 Brik for Levi Straghley. cold all Day.

Feb 20 Clear & cold but sun shone pleasant. Mark & I finished splitting our Posts in forenoon. in afternoon hauled brick and coal. roads are fine. bought Mark a new curry comb. my fine big Turkey Died weighed 24 pounds.

Feb 21 Clear & cool. hauled Brick coal & sand. I went into the country in search of a turkey but got none. Joseph Kolls ware house fell to Day having 8000 bushels of Oats stored in it which proved too heavy for it. a large bulk of the Oats are outside but he has a large force of men at work removing them to a place of Safety.

Feb 22 Clear & very pleasant. Mr. Henkle came out this morning to look our Farm over wants to buy some of it. I laid some of our foundation. Mark hauled Brick & coal.

Feb 23 Cloudy & warm. finished foundation for Smoke house and Ed commenced laying Brick. Mark hauled coal. rained before night so that Ed was forced to quit but got considerable Done.

Feb 24 Cloudy & raining a very little. Mark & I hauled 2 loads of Brick in forenoon. bought a Turkey Gobbler cost one dollar cheap enough. Done nothing at the smoke house to Day. snowed most of the afternoon. Mark hauled a load of coal. Paid Ells 2 Dollars. I cut the Stone to go over our smoke house Door.

Feb 25 Cloudy & cold ground covered with snow. Mark Johny & I hauled 2 loads of Brick to Joseph Koll the Bricklayers want to finish his job to day. Margaret Nora & took Diner with Sis & Ed the last one we shall ever take with them at their own home in Ohio as they commenced packing their goods tomorrow to Send to Iowa. Cousin Margaret Wisner was there. cleared off and sun shone pleasant in afternoon will freeze some to night.

Feb 26 Cloudy & cool. Ed worked at the Smokehouse got it up to the square. I attended him. Mark hauled Manure from Town. sun shone some in afternoon but the air is cold all Day. lettered the stone over Door.

Feb 27 Cloudy & cool ground froze hard. Ed finished the Brickwork of Smokehouse made nice & good job of it. Johny & I attended him made centers Ok kept us both busy. Mark cleared out our hen house and spread the contents on the corn field. Several of our chickens Died Suddenly. Do not know what could ail them. moderated all Day and at sundown Don't seem cold enough to freeze.

Feb 28 Clear & frosty ground froze hard this morning. helped Ed Pack his household goods worked hard all day. Mark & Johny hauled brick & done minor schores. got Yankee Doodle in C____ from Cleveland cost 2 Dollars.

Mar 1 Clear and pleasant all Day. all hands busygetting Ed Hises goods to the Station. got them all Cared snug and Ed paid the freight 37 Doll to Chicago. I sent Brother William a Rustic chair a good one.

Mar 2 Cloudy & Dull. Mark hauled corn & hay from Eds in afternoon a load of coal for Goily. I got Yankee Doodle framed. bought Iron & made & hung Iron Door to smokehouse. can now smoke our meat and feel safe I think it will not be stolen. news came to day that Rutherford B Hayes of Ohio was declared President this morning at 20 minutes past 4 Oclock. thus has right finally triumphed over fraud and unprecedented corruption. no stone was left unturned by which the Democracy thought to Defeat him. they can now go howling back to their holes companions of the moles and bats where they

have been for the last sixteen years.

Mar 3 Cloudy and some colder now cold wind blowing. Geo Brown is digging Past holes at the Brickyard want to fence it in. I spent most of the day in town. good part of the afternoon with Mr. Henkle. he is talking of buying Ed Hises property and a few acres of my farm with it. is to come out to morrow and look it over. hope he will buy. rained at bedtime.

Mar 4 Cloudy & cold ground covered with snow cold all Day. I Sat by the fire until 4 ½ Oclock PM when I went to Depot to see Ed Hise off for Iowa. the train came on time and away he went all safe. on my return found that Henkle had been here in my absence and I missed seeing him.

Mar 5 Cloudy & cold. spent the Day in Town. Henkle concluded not to buy at present and so informed me. French is moving into Eds house this afternoon. very cold. Republican Demonstration to night.

Mar 6 Clear & cool ground froze hard this morning. Mark Johny & myself put in the forenoon setting up wood and rails burning brush etc etc. in afternoon clouded up and is cold. Mark is tearing down fence. Johny worked in the shop. I spent a portion of the afternoon in Town. Mark Young came out to look at my horse that I have for Sale. wants to see him hitched up when he has time.

Mar 7 Cloudy & some warmer. Mark & I are hauling Dirt from Wm Kolls and filling up the old clay holes at Brickyard. Chessman sold 3 acres of his land joining me on the north to Leeson Marshall for 4 hundred Doll cheap enough.

Mar 8 Cloudy and warmer threatens rain at sunrise. Ella has to go home and I concluded to take her in the buggy. commenced to rain about the time we start and rained all day. we got to her Fathers about noon cold and some wet. it turned colder and seemed to me too bad to turn out and I made up my mind to stay all night although I supposed it might cause our folks some uneasiness.

Mar 9 Cloudy & colder snowing blowing & freezing like midwinter and I 12 miles from home with wife & friends wondering what has become of me but I will if I have luck soon dispel their troubles. at ½ past 7 I hitched Dolly to the Buggy wrapped myself up well in the robe and turned her head toward home where we arrived Safe at 11 oclock without a mishap of any kind. the roads are bad and weather rough as can well be. after getting well thawed out and eating my dinner I spread the Robe before the hot grate and laid down and took a good nap of sleep.

Mar 10 Cloudy windy & cold. spent the entire Day in Town. nothing going on at home or abroad. is quite too cold and disagreeable to work out unless we had something more urgent on hand. roads are horrible rough. cold all day. Sis got another letter from Ed they are having cold weather in Iowa.

Mar 11 Cloudy & cold. Mark is Smoking our meat this morning. our new Smokehouse is rather tight but to obviate that difficulty he leaves to door ajar. Marius R Robinson called out and spent some time with us. Insured the Trinity Block & Ed Hises property the former for one thousand Dollars the latter for Eight hundred. thawed a little to Day. weather is moderating some.

Mar 12 Cloudy & Dark with 2 inches of wet snow down and more falling comes straight down. can do but little out of doors to day. worked some in Shop. spent afternoon in Town. carried ½ bushel of apples up to widow Post. thawed rained some and is very sloppy caused possibly by snow melting.

Mar 13 Cloudy & colder again this morning. some more snow and is real winter out of doors. I spent most of the day in Town. Mark can do nothing. Ella returned this afternoon. Job Elton brot her and is going to Stay all night. roads are very sloppy.

Mar 14 Cloudy & threatens rain. Dressed up some white walnut stuff for Sis to take with her to Iowa out of which she can make brackets picture frames etc. snowing at noon and is very wet. Spent the afternoon in Town to but little purpose.

Mar 15 Clear & cold ground froze solid. can do nothing. Spent most of the Day in Town. Johny is Doing a little in the Shop. Mark can Do nothing except take care of the Stock.

Mar 16 Cloudy and Dull. Mark hitched up the team intending to move Trimbles but it commenced snowing and continued all day. snow is 6 inches deep at sunset. about bed time turned much colder and wind hauls round to north and howls fearfully.

Mar 17 Clear & very cold. Mercury in some localities is down 2 degrees below Zero. Mark & I hauled oak log out to Williamsons Saw mill to get Sawed into plank for Stone boat. Mark returned and spent the balance of the day moving Trimbles goods on the sled. I stopped in to see Jack Hinchcliffe who is very poorly. from there I went down to Hal Arners and spent an hour or two. grandpap Dickinson is very poorly. from here to Town where I spent the balance of the day to little purpose as far as developments at present admits of solutions. cold all Day and Sleighing pretty good.

Mar 18 Clear & cold. sun shines bright at 9 O'clock will evidently thaw to day. Margaret & I go to Hal Arners. I took a jug of cider out to Jack hinchcliffe andspend some time with him. Return to Hals where we take Diner and spend the balance of the day very pleasantly indeed. grandpap is confined to his bed but is cheerful. snowed most of the afternoon and sledding is good.

Mar 19 Cloudy and snowing fast at ½ past 6 AM. Johny & I made a few horse shoes in forenoon. in afternoon we sat by the fire. Uncle Silas called out & took diner with us. stormed all Day snow six inches deep. sold a few brick.

Mar 20 Clear & cold spent the forenoon righting up my news papers. Mark is moving Trimble. Johny took 2 bushels of apples to Hal Arner. Margaret & Sis has gone to grandmother Goulbourns to Stay all night.

Mar 21 Cloudy warm & wet raining at sunrise. lonesome last night Margaret is absent at grandmother Goulbourns. have Diseased head this morning ate too much horse radish at Supper last night. will let it alone for time to come. Mark went to Williamsons and brot our Boat planks home and in afternoon hauled hay for Trimble. I spent most of the day in Town. turned colder about noon and snowed a little. is raw and chilly out of doors. Margaret returned this afternoon.

May 22 Cloudy & cold froze up this morning. Mark hauled a load of coal in forenoon. In afternoon finished moving Trimbles. I spent the day in Town but to little purpose although I tried hard to accomplish something but utterly failed. better luck next time. Johny is laid up with a cold. roads very sloppy.

May 23 Cloudy & Dull ground froze a very little. Mark & I hauled 2 loads of brick out to Ed Lese. roads are bad. spent the afternoon in Town. Wm Betz Died at 4 O'clock PM (another victim of bad whiskey).

Mar 24 Cloudy & dull froze a very little last night. Spent the Day in Town fixing up money matters. sold 2 of our horses for 240 Dollars. too little but must sell have too many horses. I hate to see Jont go but he will soon be too old to sell. Prince is nice & good but is too small for our work. Must now buy a 3 year old when I can find one to suit me. am in no hurry as we have 3 work horses left yet. Wm Betz Died at 9 Oclock this morning. the report that he Died on yesterday proved incorrect.

Mar 25 Cloudy & Dull. repairing my boots and drew a profile of our Farm. am offering it for Sale.

Mar 26 Cloudy & wet having rained all night. the ground is covered with water. made us a good stone boat. wrote Geo W Hise a letter. Done sever schores of minor kind. turned colder and is snowing at 4 Oclock PM. Wm Betz buried at 2 Oclock to day.

Mar 27 Cloudy & cold ground froze enough to make the roads about impassable with one inch of snow and wind in north. I spent a good portion of the Day in Town making some changes in my money affairs. went to John W Satterthwait with the intention of paying him eleven hundred Dollars I owe him but he declined to receive it preferred to let me keep it at 7 per cent and as agreed by indorsing the Same on the back of the note. I do not know but I had better have paid it but I still owe others that I can & will pay.

Mar 28 Cloudy & cold disagreeable raw wind all day. Ironed and painted 2 singletrees for Barsley Nemis. repaired Trunk back for Sis Hise & spent some time in Town. thawed a little in the Sunshine but froze in the shade. John Youngs wife Died very Suddenly of

Appoplexy.

Mar 29 Clear & cool. made Stone boat for Mark and he intends to give it to his Brother Pat. in afternoon we repaired one of our Bricksheds that had partially blown down. we have had considerable wind lately.

Mar 30 Clear & warm. Mark hauled for Trimbles in the forenoon. in afternoon we all made fence until 4 Oclock when Mark & I took the two horses we had sold up to Aaron Wilsons Livery Stable where we delivered them to Thomas Johnson the purchaser who gave me a check on Farmers National Bank for 235 Dollars making 240 in all. I hated much to see them go but must not get married to horses they get old too soon. cloudy at sunset.

Mar 31 Cloudy & mild out this morning. we undertook to make fence but soon commenced raining and continued most of the Day. Johny & Mark worked in the shop while I loafed about Town in hopes something might turn up by which I might profit. I voted at the Primary Election for a wonder as I seldom do.

Apr 1 Clear warm & pleasant out of doors this morning looks as though Spring has got here now. sat about the house good part of the day. walked down to Jacks and spent an hour or two with him in his Sugar house where he is boiling Sugar water. came home and found John Deming here did not enjoy his company long as it was Sundown when I returned. Tim Gee had been here too during my absence.

Apr 2 Cloud with moderate weather. laid up some fence in forenoon. bought 5 ¾ gallons of maple molasses of Daniel Crumrine at 85 cts per gal. in afternoon Mark & I hauled brick & Sand. Johny finished ironing our Stone boats. cold now wind in afternoon.

Apr 3 Clear & cool with white frost last night. Mark & I hauled brick & sand. I tore grate out of Stove room and sold it as it was a noosence there.

Apr 4 Cloudy with pleasant weather. Mark & I are hauling stone brick & coal. Doing up all our Small jobs. sold some brick and got he money for them. Mrs. Abram Shinn & Mrs. Isaac Bull Died to Day.

Apr 5 Cloudy with a little rain last night. Mark & I hauled brick Stone. moved Mrs. Post. took Sis trunks to Depot she and Aunt Mary Ann Frank & MaggieGee all Started to Iowa.

Apr 6 Clear & pleasant. Mark & I hauled Stone & brick in forenoon. Johny & I moved our Brickhouse to its place & got it on its foundation complete. I spent a portion of the afternoon in Town. rented my house to Ira Hunt for 5 Dollars per month he is to do what repairs it needs and I am to let it go on the Rent. It is Sadly out of fix. we all miss Sis so much it Does seem so strange that she has moved away with the intention of staying. will

soon be dry enough to plough.

Apr 7 Clear & partially hazy through the day. we all spent most of the day cleaning up about the yard. I spent a portion of the afternoon in Town. bought a nice garden Rake cost 65 cents. ground is drying very fast can soon plow for Oats.

Apr 8 Cloudy with cool East wind. repaired the ceiling on South Porch and spent the entire day in the house. wrote a letter to D M Bennett of New York City ordering 2 Books will cost 8 Dollars. cloudy & cool all Day. Wm Huddlemire & his Daughter (Father & Sister to Ella our hired girl) called and are going to Stay all night.

Apr 9 Clear & some cloudy at intervals with cold wind from southeast. Mark & Johny commenced to prepare the ground for Sowing Oats. I & Sam Gibbons are fencing in Brickyard. must have it all enclosed this Spring. two of Gibbons boys are picking stone off of mowing grass. Huddlemire & Daughter went home this morning.

Apr 10 Clear & frosty but no wind blowing this morning. Mark & Johny is working away at the Oats. Johny went to Walter McClernons funeral in afternoon. Sam Gibbons & I worked at fencing Brickyuard. am very tired at 6 Oclock PM.

Apr 11 Clear & cool with some frost. got up early piled Sand and burned trash before breakfast. spent the day in Town resting up. Mark & Johny is at the Oats. ground needs warm rain to Start the grass.

Apr 12 Clear & frosty. Sam Gibbons & I worked at the fence at Brickyard. My Books I sent for on Monday last came by mail to Day one of them badly Damaged but I can repair it I think. Mark & Johny is plowing for Oats and are getting along finely. Southern Hotel in St Louis burned several lives lost. weather still dry.

Apr 13 Clear & cool yet. got up early cleaned up the garden ready to plow but no hurry as the ground is yet cold. Sam Gibbons & I made fence in forenoon. in afternoon hauled brick. Mark & Johny finished sowing Oats 12 acres in all. clouded up a very little but is too cold to rain.

Apr 14 Clear & cool. cleaned off garden until breakfast. hauled brick with both teams in forenoon. in afternoon Mark hauled one load of brick and 2 of manure from Town. I spent the afternoon along Main Street doing but little good for any one. have a Pedlar with us to night.

Apr 15 Clear & cool. repaired a wheelbarrow before breakfast. went over to Jacob Forkers to look at a colt he has for Sale. from there I went over to Trotters Sawmill from there home again. wrote Sis a letter. “Old Mike” is amiss expect his end draweth nigh. wrote a letter to Sis & Ed in Iowa.

Apr 16 Clear & cool. worked some in Shop but Spent most of the Day in Town. Mark

hauled manure from Town. rained at 4 O'clock very acceptable. "Old Mike" still about.

Apr 17 Cloudy & warm fine growing weather as can. Mark is Dunging the garden plowed it is in as fine condition as can be. Pat Lyon came for the Bull. got his stone boat & 2 bushels of Potatoes. had a big job with the Bull had to haul him home in 2 horse wagon. I attended the Sale at Livery Stable bought nothing. our Turkeys came home this evening after an absence of a month. will soon go again I suppose.

Apr 18 Cloudy warm & a little rain last night. sett out one bed of onions. got the ground ready to plant peas. commenced tearing up the Plank off of Main Street & hauling them to Brickyard. is raining at noon bids fair to be too wet to haul in afternoon. hauled one load of Brick and gave it up as being too wet. Blacksmithed.

Apr 19 Cloudy & wet. cut some sod and went into Philip Evans woods and brot home a small white Oak tree and sett it out in dooryard. got good and wet bringing it home but Johny had the hole ready and I sett it out so that it was out of the ground but a few minutes. hauled a load of brick in forenoon. hauled Plank off of main street.

Apr 20 Cloudy & wet. shod 2 of our horses. hauled a load of brick. hauled our Old Smoke house over to Jacob McConners and hauled 8 small Sawlogs to Sawmill. got some of them sawed same day. ground very wet and at sunset is colder.

Apr 21 Clear & cool but no frost to hurt. hauling Plank to Day. mud is drying up very fast. got all the Plank off by 6 O'clock worked hard. Richard Coles paid his Brick bill 21 50/100 Doll glad to get it. Mark & Johny gone to Town Saturday night.

Apr 22 Clear & cool with a little frost. moved fence and righted up Dooryard in forenoon. in afternoon Margaret & I went over to see grandmother Goulbourn she is very well. came home early as Nora & Ella want to take a short ride. Jacob Farquhar brot the 3 year old colt over that I bought of him. Paid him 25 Dollars owe him 55 yet part of which he is to take in brick.

Apr 23 Clear & warm. Johny & I hauled Brick & soded our Door yard. I got very tired. Mark hauled Dirt off of Main Street to Different Parties and hauled 3 loads of Sand into the Potatoe Patch. Mary Saxon her Daughter Bettie with Harriet Arner called and Mary Saxon got 3 bushels of Early Rose Potatoes for seed.

Apr 24 Clear & warmer. got up early and cut Sod before breakfast. planted 2 rows of peas. Johny & I hauled 2 loads of brick one load of Sod and shod Charlie in forenoon. Mark is getting ground ready and is Planting our early Potatoes to Day. looks a little like rain at 4 Oclock. Sold heifers calf for 2 Dollars and fifty cents low but it is to be raised and that makes some difference with me. bought 17 yards of Kentucky jeans cost 65 cents per yard. want a suit for Johny & myself & pair of pants for Mark.

Apr 25 Clear & frosty but none to hurt. soded our Door yard. hitched up our new Colt

and Drove around Town with her. she is very awkard but seems honest. Johny & I sett some brick in afternoon. find them much better than I expected. Mark is hauling manure onto cornfield. got a letter from Sis & Ed they are all right.

Apr 26 Clear & pleasant. hitched the colt again this morning she worked well. Johny & I haul brick. Belle Millen is with us to night.

Apr 27 Clear & pleasant. Johny & I sett 2 trees in hedge loaded and sett brick. Mark is plowing for corn. got a letter from Parker P.

Apr 28 Cloudy & wet rained some in the morning but at noon is fair. Mark is plowing while Johny & I are working at the brickyard. bought 105 cents worth of beef. Margaret is up Town at noon as I write. I am going to spend the afternoon in Town. Took Doll up to Doc Rush to Drive he wants to buy her but he was absent from Town. I came across Margaret & brot her home just in time to escape a heavy rain & wind Storm. Mark just made his escape from the field to the Barn with the horses.

Apr 29 Clear & cool. I put in good part of the day improving South Dooryard. sett the stone platform and laid the Pavement etc etc. had lots of Company to Diner. turned our calves out in woods pasture for the Season. hunted some for our Turkeys nest in Chessman woods but found them not.

Apr 30 Cloudy and cold. Johny & I sett brick. Mark is plowing corn ground. must get much warmer before we plant. should it clear off must be a frost to night. got a letter from Wm Hise of West Liberty Iowa saying the Cattle Sale is over for the present average price 600 Dollars. highest price 1640 Dollars for a favorite Cow.

May 1 Cloudy with cold wind from northwest all Day accompanied with an occasional snow storm. very disagreeable all Day. Johny Sam Gibbons & myself sett brick and a cold job we had of it. Mark plowed with warm clothing on the exercise kept him comfortable. should it off to night we shall have a freeze certain.

May 2 Clear at sunrise or at least the Sun is shining as I write. have not been out to see how cold it is but am inclined to think it much warmer. Johny & commenced putting roof on Smoke house. Mark finished plowing for Corn & Plowed the Potatoe patch. Harmon Austin President of Flag Stove Co of Warren Trumble Co Ohio & his foreman Mr. Weeks Came out to look at Dolly and See her move as the former wants to buy a good driver. I hitched up to the light Buggy to them both to Town and ____ Down Lisbon Street as far as Judge Amblers and back to Union Hotel. he likes her much and says he will buy her if he can buy her right. made me no offer but says he will bring his Warren man down to see her one I presume in whom he has more confidence as to judgement than himself. when he comes I will still be a party and will have one half of the bargain to make. they nor no one else will get her for a trifle as I do not intend to foal her.

May 3 Clear & cold ground where it is wet is frozen. went with Mark for a load of Sand.

as he takes our 3 year old colt he preferred having company the first load but he had no trouble and he hauled Sand to Brickyard to Day. Johny in mean time sharpened our harrow teeth and in afternoon he & I finished smoke house roof made a good job of it. cool all Day.

May 4 Clear & cold frosty. Mark hauled sand and one load of coal from Jacob Sells only cost 3 cents per bushel at the Bank. Johny & I hauled brick all Day with Dolly and she performed well. took Ray (Sis's Horse to Town to try and sell him. could only get 80 Dollars offered for him horses of his Size are dull.

May 5 Cloudy & cool all Day. we hauled one load of brick this morning and brot home a barrel of Linseed Oil cost 68 cts per gallon then we rolled Stumps together and burned them. in afternoon Johny & I went to Town. I went Down to ira Moores and bought a setting of hen Eggs gave 50 cents for 15 eggs. Mark repaired fence in afternoon. Charles Boone paid me 4 90/100 Doll for brick.

May 6 Cloudy & cool with a little rain last night. Mark & I righted up Stump fires and sowed some cabbage Seed where we prepared the ground in the clearing. fenced it to keep the Cows off. cool wind from South east. Margaret & I spent a portion of the afternoon at Joels.

May 7 Cloudy & some warmer. Mark is harrowing corn ground. Johny & I made fence at the brickyard. sett & hauled brick and put a few iron hitching Posts on South side of Main Street. commenced raining slowly about 5 Oclock PM. at six is wet will be acceptable.

May 8 Cloudy & cool. got up early and Johny &I took Cow that I sold out to John Hinchcliffe got back before 7 Oclock. Mark assisted us through Town he harrowed corn ground until noon then commenced plowing John Marshall lot adjoining us. he wants to sow it in grass. Johny & I hauled one load of brick and finished putting hitching posts on Main Street all we expect to do at present. threatened rain all Day but none fell untilafter Dark and then but little.

May 9 Cloudy & cool still Mark is getting corn ground ready to plant. Johny is harrowing Marshals lot. I spend the Day at the Brickyard the hands are getting ready to make Brick Pidgeon made a few to Day. I am in no hurry as it is too cold. will be frost to night certain.

May 10 Clear & cold heavy frost. commenced making brick to Day. is cold all Day but we planted our Corn notwithstanding. I spent the Day at the yard. was on Main Street a short time witnessing the Putting down of the pavement before the Farmers National Bank. splendid Stone the largest in Salem thus far.

May 11 Cloudy and warmer this morning. got up early and churned. put a new handle on Jackplow that had got accidently broken off. took the horses to brickyard got them

Started to making brick. went out to John Hinchcliffe to get pay for the Cow sold him. he gave me a check to Greiners Bank for 50 Dollars drawed the money. Wm Koll Paid his brick bill 35 Doll. bought a new shovel cost 1.35 cts. Mark & Johny planted Potatoes.

May 12 Clear & warmer. Mark & I boated stone for Trimbles for walk in our lane. brot home 40 feet of tile for Drain across the lane from cistern pump. Job Elton & wife are here to Diner. weather fine & Dry. sett some of the Stone along the lane made brick etc.

May 13 Clear & Pleast. took grand pap Barsley out to John Hinchcliffe came back and took Margaret out there and she & I took Diner & spent most of the Day with them. John was able to go out riding we came home in good time.

May 14 Clear & warm all Day. Mark made garden. I helped sett brick made 4000 poor ones the mud was too tough.

May 15 Clear & warm. Mark hauled coal & a load of wood to brickyard. Johny is molding Brick to Day. Stephen sprained his wrist. in afternoon Mark plowed widow Posts garden. got in some Dry Brick covered the rest as it rained at 4 Oclock PM. finished paving Main Street as far as Lundy Street.

May 16 Cloudy & warm. Johny is molding brick to Day. Stephens hand still lame. Mark hauled coal. I & Joe hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon I took Ray (sis Horse) with our Buggy up to Preacher Davidsons (Methodist) to have him try him as he wants to buy a horse for his Lady to Drive. he gave entire Satisfaction think he will buy him. rained a very little at Dark.

May 17 Cloudy & warm. got up early went up to Brickyard & nailed on fence boards before breakfast. Mark & I hauled Brick and Dirt all Day we are furnishing Doc Sturgeon with Brick & he gives me Dirt to bring back. suits us first rate. Johny molded 4000 Brick to Day.

May 18 Clear & warm. got up in good Season but do not feel like Doing much. attended a temperance lecture by Rev Mr. Boyle of Alleghena. it was eloquent but I was too tired to enjoy it. was glad to get to bed at 10 Oclock Brickmaking hauling Dirt etc. Sold a few brick are about out of the article for the first time in years. go early to bed.

May 19 Clear & warm. got up early & Done the churning. Bought beef. Samuel Gibbons helped us haul Dirt to Day. I cleaned out Brick shed Johny molded Brick. Margaret got a letter from Sis & Ed both well and doing well having wet weather in Iowa while we are having Dry. Nora was fishing with some 20 others she is very happy over it thinks it paid tho they got many “nibles”.

May 20 Clear & warm. done schores for Margaret watered flowers set out arch ready for cypress vines. wrote a letter to Sis Hise. went up to yard and covered brick as it threatens rain none has fallen at Dark. Mark returned from Pats.

May 21 Cloudy with a nice shower last night. worked a little at hitching Post before breakfast. helped sett brick. Mark & Gibbons hauling dirt. made 4000 brick. looks a little like rain at sunset. go early to bed. mailed a letter to Sis Hise.

May 22 Clear this morning but we had a slight shower last night is delightful out of doors. got up early & finished 2 hitching Posts before breakfast. took them to Town and put them in. helped sett Brick. Mark & Gibbons hauled Dirt until noon Mark hauled Sand in afternoon. Gibbons helped us sett brick. made 3400 brick rain prevented making a days work. cooler at sunset.

May 23 Clear & cool but no frost. got up early & churned. blowed up Blacksmith fire made one hitching Post fit up a pair of new shoes for the young mare & made nails to Drive them. after breakfast I shod her she stood very well. Mark hauled a load of coal in forenoon. in afternoon he & Gibbons haul Dirt. on yesterday I Sold Sis Hises Horse (ray) to Doctor David (Methodist Clergyman) for 80 Dollars cash. I hated to sell him but he was of no possible use to me and would cost more to send him to Iowa than he would be worth there. Sis will be glad that he has got a good home. cool all Day & threatens frost tonight.

May 24 Cloudy & cold but no frost. was out to see our corn field before breakfast it is up nice but looks yellow from cold. Mark hauled dirt. I helped Sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon Margaret & I went to Cemetary & repaired “Little Margarets” grave. I sett a small Cedar tree at its head. cold all Day. met James Doud of Chicago on Lisbon Street thought to call on him & his Lady at Clemens but was too tired to night.

May 25 Clear & cool but no frost of account. Johny & I sett brick Mark hauled brick and dirt. made 4000 brick getting along fine on the yard. the farm is getting Dry corn looks yellow and Oats short.

May 26 Clear & cool but no frost. Mark replanted corn in forenoon. in afternoon he & I hauled brick. cleaned us all out have none of any kind to sell until we burn. we have a Kiln nearly ready to fire. made no brick to Day for want of yard room.

May 27 Clear & pleasant this morning with all signs of rain vanished. Put in good part of day whittling a cane head and making canes. made 2 very nice ones for Jacob Helman he cut them somewhere in the neighborhood of Petersburgh Virginia during the Rebellion. looks some like rain in after part of the day. hope it may come as it is getting very dry.

May 28 Clear & warm. got up early and churned. Mark cut the weeds out of our wheat it is now perfectly clean and nice. is going to be a big crop. Johny & I sett brick I cased some at the Kiln. in afternoon Mark cut up Dock that is getting quite too plenty to Suit me.

May 29 Clear in the East with some clouds in the north west but little prospects of rain

yet. Mark is cutting Docks Johny & I working at the Kiln. in afternoon I & Mark haul ____ of Stone and fill in the lane leading to the Brickyard.

May 30 Clear & dry. got up early and finished Helmans canes they are nice ones. got our Kiln about ready to fire but it is Decoration day. will take holiday this afternoon. Mary Gee is here to diner and is going to keep Margaret company.

May 31 Cloudy at sunrise but soon cleared off and is sultry. I wrote a letter to Sis this morning before going to work as I shall fire the Kiln before noon and then will be otherwise occupied for a week or so. Mark is hauling this forenoon in afternoon work corn. Nora is Buggy riding with Doll.

Jun 1 Clear & warm no sign whatever of rain. I attended the Kiln last night wood is so dry keeps one busy putting it in. Nora tells me this morning that she trotted around Doc Rush with his new mare I fear he will not like that. made 4000 brick. I & Johny is running the Kiln. wind is in the Southwest & feels some like rain at 6 Oclock PM as I write.

Jun 2 Clear & warm with but little prospects of rain. Johny & I are attending the Kiln. Mark took the School Children down to "Bossants Mill" where they are having a "Pic Nic". a little cloudy at noon clouded up toward evening but no rain for us. Mark went early for the children but did not get home until 9 Oclock as it did not rain the children were in no hurry.

Jun 3 Cloudy and rained a very little about noon. Johny & I are attending the Kiln it is now good and hot. took the shed off this morning. warm and Sultry. Mark hauled up some wood this forenoon. Day passed over without anymore rain.

Jun 4 Clear & warm with heavy dew. our Kiln is doing fine. Mark haulede wood and brick in in afternoon. worked corn made 4000 Brick. threatens rain but none fell.

Jun 5 Cloudy & wet this morning having rained hard about Daylight. our Kiln is nearly done think we can finish it to Day. rained hard in afternoon. we finished and and shut the Kiln at Dark think we have a good burn. go early to bed.

Jun 6 Cloudy & wet rained hard last night. Slept well and late. after breakfast go to Town spend the forenoon (or what is left of it). met Uncle Jim Leslie who is delighted to hear from "Flo" who now lives in Iowa. came home at 11 Oclock having got through at Town. Margaret is over at Grandmother Goulbourns. after dinner hitched Doll to the Carriage and took Stephen Wisner (who is now in his ninetieth year) Down to Joshua Davids where we spent 3 hours very pleasantly indeed. while there Stephen told us he had eight Children living forty one Grand Children fifty seven great Grand Children and one great great Grand Child that he knew of now and in all probability there were more. returned to Town at 4 Oclock PM.

Jun 7 Cloudy & partially clear. I & Johny went out to Homeworth to see if he could get a situation in a Blacksmithshop but did not succeed for certain. got a little encouragement. took Dinner and fed our horse at the Taylor House where I learned from her Son that Abbie Taylor Still lived and as she was only a couple of miles out of my way home and I in no hurry I called to see her found in pretty good health but about blind. she knew my voice although we had not met for over 40 years. she was intimate in our family when I was but 7 years old am now 64 and she 90. her tongue that was always lissim has lost but little of its ability to "wag". I was quite interested in her for an hour or two. she exacted a promise from me before parting to bring Stephen Wisner Down to see her which I shall endeavor to do at my earliest convenience. came home through Winona. brot Margaret a Fucia.

Jun 8 Clear and warm. made 4000 brick. Mark is working on the roads. I & Johny Blacksmithed some. I wrote a hurried letter to Ed Hise. rained at 5 Oclock PM.

Jun 9 Cloudy & wet rained considerable last night. bought one Dollar and fifteen cents worth of beef. Johny & I opened the Kiln hauled some out they are well burned. in afternoon Margaret & I went out to John Gordons took Dinner with George Gordon and wife lots of friends there. rained some in afternoon. came home in good time bought bread cakes and Beef as we expect company tomorrow. Mark worked on the Roads.

Jun 10 Cloudy and wet rained considerable last night. Made a hame in place of one Charlie broke. laid down and took a nap after breakfast. Mark went up and brot Marius Robinson out and about noon Mr. Gordon with George & his Lady and Joel & Sarah arrived. we had a pleasant visit. cleared off and was pleasant tho cool all day. we found fire comfortable kept it up all day. wrote Sis Hise a letter.

Jun 11 Clear & cool but no frost. making brick. Johny & I are setting the second Kiln. Mark is working on the roads.

Jun 12 Clear & cool. Mark is working corn. Johny & I at the yard setting & hauling brick as they happen to be wanted. sold 1900 for money to go into the northwest corner of Ellsworth. rained about noon so as to stop the brick making but not the farming. bought a perch fish for Margaret but as it weighed Six pounds I suppose we will all help eat it.

Jun 13 Clear & fine this morning. got up early and cut shed pole. hauled and sett brick. Mark is farming. made brick. weather as fine as can be. Margaret was over to see grandmother.

Jun 14 Clear & pleasant. Bought one Dollars worth of Sugar. on my way Down Main Street was met by Andrew Cherry my Brotherinlaw that I had not Saw for about 30 years. to say that we were both overjoyed at meeting would be stating it very mildly. he now lives in Warren County Iowa. his wife (My Sister Fanny) Died giving him not one moments notice some Six months since. of course he came home with me and we are

having a good time. I hitched the Mare to the Buggy in afternoon and we went over to see Mother Goulbourn spent an hour or so with her and went from there over to see J F Dickinson who was much pleased to see him as they were particular friends 35 years ago. we spent the balance of the afternoon with him and returned home in time for Supper. talked until late before retiring.

Jun 15 Cloudy after breakfast. Andrew & I went to Town. he to look around & I to sett brick. in afternoon he and Margaret went down to see Sister Una. rained hard soon after they Started but they kept dry in the Top Buggy. I sett brick all day. Mark worked on the roads.

Jun 16 Cloudy & Dull. spent the entire Day with Andrew. went through the machine Shops. met hosts of his Old acquaintances who all seemed much pleased at meeting with him. in afternoon we walked out to the Cemetery where we found the graves of a great number of his old acquaintances. rained but we kept Dry under cedar tree.

Jun 17 Clear & warm. got up early and made woodwork of shovel Plow before breakfast. Uncle Silas came out and spent the day with us. he and Andrew appeared to enjoy each others company. we all then walked over to see the Beaver Dam or rather the remains of it that must have been built centuries ago but it is yet very Distinct. Andrew expressed a great deal of Satisfaction at seeing such conclusive evidence of his Theory that the boulders were carried here on ice. they lie thick where they have lodged against the breast work of the Dam latterly covering the ground or in some instances lieing top of each other some of them huge fellows.

Jun 18 Clear & pleasant. Mark is working the roads. I & Johny setting brick. Margaret & Jo are picking Strawberries can buy them now for 5 cents per quart or 1.50 per bushel.

Jun 19 Clear & pleasant. hitched Dolly to the Buggy and Andrew & I went to Lisbon where I paid my tax (80.63) after which we called on George Rogers one of Andrews old playmates. from there we went to Joseph Fountains called on Mrs. Bradford spent a few minutes with her and started for Leetonia by way of Columbiana road. Passed through a beautiful farming country lying up and along Mill creek the crops and especially wheat looks very promising. got to Leetonia at ½ past 11 Oclock put up our horse and took Dinner after which we walked Down to Grafton furnace. looked that well over went up to top of Cupola saw them feed it with Ore & coke. came up to axe factory saw them making axes & picks. called into the Pottery. left for home by way of Washingtonville arrived all right and well Satisfied with the ride.

Jun 20 Cloudy and dull this morning but very pleasant. got up in good time finished my shovel plow and toed up a pair of Shoes for Charlie before any of the folks except Mark up were up. It is a pleasant morning to Sleep I tried it myself but could not succeed hence I got up. Mark worked corn and potatoes Johny & I sett brick. made 4000 brick. in evening I hauled a load of sand.

Jun 21 Cloudy & pleasant warm nights now. Mark is finishing up the early Potatoes. Johny & I are setting brick . at about 11 Oclock it commenced raining and we had a splendid shower wet the ground thoroughly. in afternoon got in 4000 Dry brick & sett them took Dinner with Andrew Chaney at Wm Hises (Jesses Son) Margaret of course was there also as was Nora.

Jun 22 Clear & cool very windy last night has blown the clouds all away. made brick 4000. Johny & I sett brick. Mark is dressing up potatoes. everything is moving along about right.

Jun 23 Clear and cool frost in low places. went to Town early to notify Stacy Cook that I do not want the Strawberries I engaged to buy of him having unexpectedlygot a bushel of John Boulieu cost one and a half dollars. notified Nora (who was all night at George Streets) to come home and help her mother can them up. collected enough money to pay the hands. hooped two of our wagon wheels. shod one of our horses etc etc. Job Elton called and took diner with us. took Ella home with him. she is to return tomorrow hope she will as we cannot well do without help of that kind.

Jun 24 Clear & pleasant. kept close to home all day. spread the Robe in the front yard and slept what I could. trimmed some of the Cedar trees for Margaret.

Jun 25 Cloudy & dull with a fine rain last night. hitched Betty to the One horse wagon for the first time she behaved very well. made 4000 brick. cleared off and is very warm. Johny & I put on the shed and sett brick. Mark is hauling wood from our own woods. Sold some brick they go off slow.

Jun 26 Cloudy & wet rained last night. made no brick to day. Johny & I sett brick Mark hauled wood. sun shone in afternoon but at sunset threatens rain. bought 8 pairs of good Socks for one dollar. Andrew Chaney is with us to Supper.

Jun 27 Cloudy & dull fine growing weather as can well be. made 4000 brick. Johny & I sett some Mark is hauling Dirt from John Wetmors to the brickyard. Margaret & Andrew went out to Mary Saxons took tea with her.

Jun 28 Cloudy & warm. I work at digging foundations at house on Foundry hill. Mark is hauling dirt. Johny attended at the Brickyard. rained at 4 Oclock a fine shower but soon dried off again. fine growing weather as can be.

Jun 29 Cloudy with dense fog cool and very Damp. got up early & churned. Mark is still hauling dirt. Johny is attending to the Brickyard while I am at work on Foundry hill. toped out the well and put the cast iron cover on it. pried up stone ready to haul in the morning. am a little tired to night. Andrew is with us.

Jun 30 Clear & pleasant out this morning. got up in good season bought beef hauled 2 loads of stone that John Marshall put into the wall and Ira & I raised our building got

along first rate. Paid the Brick hands. Mark finished hauling dirt.

Jul 1 Clear & pleasant had rain heavy thunder and lightning with a little hail. wrote a letter to Samuel Scholdfield of Hambleton County Indiana enclosing a leaf from his old coppy book written in 1816. walked over to Joshua Davis's got his daughter to direct it as I had forgotten his address. after sitting half hour or so I came to Paskall Seeds where I met Sister Una Jesse Hise & wife Andrew Chaney Lizzie Wait and Margaret My own Darling that I should have named first. after Dinner Andrew Jesse & I walked over to David Painters Old farm where Andrew lived in 1820 and where he was so badly used that he "ran away" as it was then called. Now we call it taking French leave. he could recognize but few spots not seeing the place for about 56 years yet he could remember it as a very pretty piece of land which it certainly is. Joseph Fountain now owns 30 acres of it is now having built on it a house So large that I cannot Divine what he is thinking of. it has 11 rooms all about 16 feet square with large hall bay window and portico cellar 7 feet Deep under the whole house. Mark brot Dolly & the Buggy over he & I walked home across the fields while Andrew & Margaret came in the Buggy. we chatted until 9 Oclock PM when we returned.

Jul 2 Clear cool & pleasant. got up at 4 Oclock churned and then Sat Down & wrote the above. worked at carpenter work on Foundry hill got the addition partly Shingled. Mark is working our corn.

Jul 3 Cloudy & wet rained hard last night too wet to work corn. I collected some rent & Paid Jonathan Stanley one hundred Dollars. Johny & I hauled a few brick. Mark mowed the door yard.

Jul 4 Clear & cool at sunrise but soon clouded up and with northwest wind made it quite cool. hitched Doll to Buggy & took Andrew out to General Blackburns Old Spring (now Geo Rogers) where he had not been for 50 years. on our way back drove into Jesse Webbs grove hitched the Mare walked over on to the brow of the hill from where we could have a good view of Salem. came home by 8 Oclock and soon our friends began to assemble to Noras Pic Nic she had appointed. a great many of our relations came so many that I cannot without considerable trouble enumerate them. J F Dickinson who is not a blood relation but a very dear friend favored us with his presence tho 82 years of age. he is quite feeble. the day was very pleasant and all passed off Satisfactorily. Mark finished working the corn & Potatoes and in afternoon mowed Mr. French's grass. Johny went to Lisbon.

Jul 5 Clear & fine this morning. Jacob Lee commenced cradling our wheat. Johny Shepherd & Sam Gibbons is raking and binding it. Mark mowed for Wm Hinchcliffe & ourselves. Edith Hall brot Margaret 25 quarts of Rasberries very nice ones. clouded up & threatened rain but none has feel here at 7 Oclock PM. Jo & I hauled brik & Sand got 66 Dozen of wheat in Shock.

Jul 6 Clear & pleasant as can be. got up early loaded flooring boards on the wagon.

made a hitching Post before breakfast. Mark & I took boards to town and went out to Joel Strattons Sawmill & got some joice. brot ladder home repaired hay ladders & Sulkey rake. at noon went over & took Dinner with grandmother Goulbourn. she had several of dear old friends all of them over 80 while she is 90 to Day. getting along well with hay & wheat. fine weather as can be.

Jul 7 Clear & fine. finished cutting our wheat at noon. mowed the balance of our meadow & hauled in 9 loads put the balance up in cock. closed the Brickyard to day. shall make no more until after harvest. Paid the hands off.

Jul 8 Clear & pleasant this morning. wrote a letter to Sis & Ed. Margaret Nora & I rode out to see Hal Arner. She is poorly her Father is very feeble. we soon came home where we spent the balance of the day lounging about in the Shade.

Jul 9 Clear at Sunrise but soon clouded up & is going to rain. got one load of hay in before it rained much. between showers Mark & I went up to Peter Laubies & put on iron hitching Post. in afternoon I carpentered on Foundry hill. wet most of the Day. Andrew Chaney took Dinner with us and he & I walked to Town together since which time I have Saw him not. Tom Moyers son threw a Stone at a Pidgeon that bounded and struck one of my large plate glass windows cracked it bad. it is at least 50 Dollars Damage to me for which I suppose I will get nothing. go early to bed. Margaret got a letter from Sis all well.

Jul 10 Clear at Sunrise but I doubt if the rain is yet over. got up early & churned. helped carpenter up Town. hauled John Marshal a few brick with young Mare the first she ever hauled by herself she behaved well. Mark mowed another meadow in forenoon. in afternoon we hauled in hay and cocked up the balance cut.

Jul 11 Clear & fine. Mark cut down another meadow and we hauled in the balance of the one cut yesterday. getting in splendid hay. I hauled 900 brick in afternoon but got home time enough to help haul some & cock up all that is cut all safe at sun sett. no sign of rain.

Jul 12 Clear cool & pleasant. Mark cut down another meadow. we hauled in 3 large loads and put the field he cut to day up in cock big days work. Andrew Chaney is with us to night says he must leave for home on the morrow. is going by way of Cincinnati & his old home in Indiana. cool at sunset.

Jul 13 Cloudy at daylight but soon cleared off & is very fine weather for harvesting. cut our last field of grass. Andrew Chaney Started on the 10 Oclock Mail train. expects to Stop in Lima Ohio a few days. hauled in the raking of our wheat field pays big. Margaret & I gathered a few raspberries but the boys are too soon for us get the best of them. subscribed for Harpers Weekly of Ike Trescott. I can get nothing else if I can get that I will be fortunate.

Jul 14 Clear & fine. hauled together & Stacked one of our meadows. Slid it up in cocks

with horse & a long rope. got along easy & fast got the balance all up in cock so that now our harvest is about done except Oats which is not yet matured enough to cut. went up Town in evening & did not get back until after 9 Oclock am seldom out of bed that time of night. got letter from Sis & Ed.

Jul 15 Clear & warm. got up and churned by sun rise. eat a hearty breakfast and as I write feel first rate. spent the entire day at home sleeping in the Shade.

Jul 16 Clear & warm. hauled in our wheat. I hauled a load of coal with Betty. borrowed 60 Sacks in which to put our wheat want to Thresh tomorrow. clouded and looks some like rain at sunset.

Jul 17 Clear & fine. threshed our wheat done it nice had 120 bushels got it all into the Parlor and emptied.

Jul 18 Cloudy and a little dull. Mark mowed down some of the Kirks grass but looks too dull to cut much of it. Mowed a couple of acres of weeds for William Moris. topped out the Stack took a little new wheat to mill. rained a fine Shower at 3 Oclock PM will do potatoes good. sent Sis Hise a letter. cool after the rain. John Wetmore brot me home from Town in his Buggy quite a favor.

Jul 19 Clear & partially cloudy at intervals. hauled brik in forenoon. in afternoon Mark mowed and the balance of us put up hay for Kirk. pleasant all Day.

Jul 20 Clear & fine. Mark cut Down the Balance of Kirks grass and hauled in one load by noon. Sam Gibbons & Johny hauled a load of hay for Wm Morris in morning before the hay was Dry enough to rake. I have a cold but help them some. at 8 Oclock PM Sis was Delivered of a Son all well.

Jul 21 Clear & cool. have too bad a cold to work to Day. got Stephen Adams to help us. put up one Stack for Kirk & a small one for ourselves. very fine hay day. got our harvest well up except the Oats.

Jul 22 Clear & pleasant. have a stiff neck this morning caused by cold I suppose. at 9 Oclock went down to Samuel Wrights got Stephen Wisner and he & I went Down Southwest of Winona to see Abby Taylor who is now nearly 90 years old. Stephen knew her in New Jersey where they were children together. she was much gratified that we took the trouble to come and see her. at 3 Oclock we started for home where we arrived Safe and sound. Ellas Father was here in my absence Says he must have Ella to keep house for him.

Jul 23 Clear & warm. Mark & Johny finished Kirks hay. Stephen Adams & Jake Lee is cradling our Oats. I Done schores hauled brick bought a barrel of Salt. got a letter from Ed Hise saying he had a Son born to him on the 21st inst all well. we are rejoiced to know it.

Jul 24 Clear and warm. Mark is hauling Sand to brickyard. the Balance of us Doing nothing. Edgar French paid me 4 months rent on ed Hises property (32 dollars). looks some like rain at 1 Oclock PM..

Jul 25 Cloudy & pleasant. all hands taking up Oats. Sam Gibbons & I hauled in. in afternoon got the field about all tied up and 5 large load into the Barn. threatens rain at bedtime. at noon Johny Nora & Ella Start to Mount Union to witness a Colledge commencement.

Jul 26 Clear & warm. Jake Lee & Stephen Adams cradle another field of Oats. is very warm all day. Mark Joe & Myself finished hauling in one field of Oats. in afternoon commenced to repair Barn Pumb found it so much out of fix as to require more time than we had before dark consequently it must go undone until tomorrow. Margaret & I walked down to see Joel who is having a turn of fever. the children return at 11 Oclock PM.

Jul 27 Clear & warm. lightened in the west & northwest all night but no rain yet ground is getting dry. was so warm all last night I could not sleep to amount to anything. Mark is cutting briars out of fence corners. Johny & I Blacksmithed and hauled brick. rained a very little. got a letter from Ed Hise all is well.

Jul 28 Cloudy & threatens rain. can not tie Oats to day as we intended. Mark cut briars. I finished the new cistern pump and put it in it works complete. Johny worked in blacksmithshop made tool for cutting leather washers for Buggy axles. paid Ella ten Dollars she is going to leave us to keep house for her Father. Joel McMillen is still down with the fever it does not seem so yet very violent but keeps him in bed.

Jul 29 Cloudy & Dull. we all spent the day at home reading and sleeping by turns. I found time between naps to write Ed Hise a letter. Mark rode over to Tim Gees. Ellas brother came after her and they left for home soon after dinner. we are now without a hired girl but thinks she and Joe can do a while. is going to try it. Grandpap Barsley called out and spent an hour very pleasantly with us. cleared off in afternoon with but little rain. Wm H Pidgeon who is a resident of Fulton Co Penn called and spent a couple of hours with us. he has been absent from Salem several years is in the Lumber business when at home.

Jul 30 Clear & pleasant this morning. hands sufficient came on this morning to tie up and put all our Oats into the Barn. never was Oats put in better condition got the last load in as the bell rung for 6 Oclock PM. a pleasant breeze blowed most of the day making work comfortable. the Brickyard hands commenced to make brick again. will now finish up as soon as possible. (Passenger Cars commenced running regularly.

Jul 31 Clear & pleasant at sunrise. Mark & John hauled stone until noon. in afternoon John & I sett brick made 4000. Paid Tax on lot bought of the Estate of Thomas Spencer Dead. bought 50 pound of Venetian red of Robt Trimble 4 cents per pound. want to

paint Tin Roof.

Aug 1 Clear & warm. got up early & churned before sunrise. feel first rate this morning. Mark hauled a load of Saw dust to Trimble and hauled muck onto wheat ground the Balance of the Day. Johny & I sett brick all Day. the hands made 4000. cooler at sunset. Joel McMillen is getting no better yet.

Aug 2 Clear & warm. got up early went up Town and brot out Oil can & Venetian red. worked to paint roof to day. made spiket and tapped my Oil Barrel before breakfast. Johny is away playing Base Ball. Mark is cutting briars & I painted tin roof. big fire in Columbiana they Telegraphed here for fire Engine and in just ten minutes after the receipt of the telegram the engine was loaded on a flat Car and ready for a Start. in a few minutes a Passenger Train arrived from the west and took it in tow and doubtless it will soon be there. looks a little like rain at 5 PM. go early to bed.

Aug 3 Clear at sunrise but soon became foggy. Johny & I sett brick. Mark is still cutting briars. cleared off with a cool Eastern breeze and at noon as I write is very pleasant. in afternoon Johny & I uncovered Paving brick after which I walked out to Jacob Holes to look at Sow & Pigs he has for Sale. bought them as I thought they were worth the money 16 Dollars for Sow & 4 pigs the latter 6 weeks old & very pretty as I think.

Aug 4 Clear & cool. got up by Moon Shine & churned butter came nice & hard. Mark Joe & I went and brot our Sow & Pigs home and they are very nice. Johny & I sett brick. Mark finished cutting briars Says he has had a big job of it and is glad it is done. his next job will be hauling out the Manure of which happily we have considerable.

Aug 5 Clear & warm with no visible sign of rain. took out the lower valve of cistern pump and repaired. had to make a hook on purpose to draw it have it now and will try to keep it. John Gordon called and took dinner with us after which he & I went out to see Grand pap Dickinson & Hal neither of them well. we went to see John Hinchcliffe also he is nearing his end poor fellow.

Aug 6 Clear & warm. Johny & I sett brick. Mark went to Mill hauled coal & sand. crab in one of the tempering mills twisted off and I had to right to work & make another. got it well along by 6 Oclock. Sold Job Lamborn 1000 Paving Brick. looks and feels like rain wish it would come it is needed now.

Aug 7 Cloudy with a little rain about daylight. got up in forenoon. I finished the crab. Johny & I sett some brick. Aquilla Pidgeons wife Died at 8 Oclock & 25 minutes AM. she will be much missed. Mark is hauling our Manure.

Aug 8 Clear & warm setting brick hauling out manure making brick trying to collect money which latter is hardest of all.

Aug 9 Clear & weather much the Same. sett brick until noon. in afternoon attended the

Funeral of mrs. Aquilla Pidgeon. a large number of friends assembled to take Care of her. she will be sadly missed. Mark hauled in John Marshalls Oats into our Barn. a little cloudy but no rain.

Aug 10 Clear & no change of weather to record. sett brick got all sett up that is dry enough. Bought 4 Old mowing machine wheels. want to make Roller to crush lump on farm have been wanting one for years and am now going to try and have it. Joel Still very bad.

Aug 11 Clear & warm with no sign of rain. got up in good time & churned. bought one dollars worth of beef. commenced building wall & sett brick. Mark is still hauling Manure. made 4000 brick. some cloudy at 6 Oclock but I fear it will not rain. very dry indeed.

Aug 12 Clear & cloudy at intervals with a very little rain & wind. put in the Day making an Aquarium. Margaret got a letter from Sis she is getting along fine. Andrew Chaney had arrived at West liberty on his way home. Margaret is 56 years old to Day. I got her a bolt of first quality muslin as a birth day present not before she needed it as she herself avers.

Aug 13 Cloudy with dust laid this morning. Mark & I made line fence in Swamp between John Wetmore & myself. took us but an hour or so. sett some brick made wall etc etc. made not brick to day. rained none.

Aug 14 Cloudy with good rain last night. got up early went down to see how neighbor Joel was he rested quite well last night. came home and churned. Johny carried wash water before breakfast. I drilled the wheels for my Roller. what I expected would be tedious job I done in an hour at the Buckeye. wrote Ed Hise a short business letter. Day is delightful after the rain last night. Potatoes & corn will be greatly benefited thereby. Johny & Joe plastered kiln in forenoon. I worked at Kiln wall in afternoon. Johny sett a few brick.

Aug 15 Clear & pleasant. cut up the timber for my Roller & piled it out to Dry. worked on the yard. Mark hauled manure & Sand. Margaret is over to Grandmothers to day Nora gets our Dinner. at 2 Oclock PM Joel is decidedly worse. I hastened down found him very low. Staid with them until about 5 Oclock when I went after Margaret. we both went down and was soon informed by the Doctor that all was over with Joel. we lingered at his bedside until his life ebbed out. he breathed his last 23 minutes before Eleven Oclock without the moving of a muscle.

Aug 16 Clear this morning but soon clouded up. at 7 Oclock went down to Sarahs to see what I could do for her and her sorrow stricken children. after some consideration it was decided that I should Telegraph to J H & Wm Morris B____ Co Ill and to A B Bradford Enon Valley Penn and to the latter write a letter also all of which I cheerfully Done to the best of may ability. in afternoon I done but little as I felt dull from loss of sleep last night.

was too wet to do much out of doors.

Aug 17 Cloudy & wet. Mark cut weeds about the land & house. in afternoon he hauled a load of Sand. I put in most of the day Carpentering on Foundry hill. had a heavy rain in afternoon but it seemed to confined to a small District as is Still raising Vansoyks large mill it is large and Substantial one. has plenty of spectators most of whom has suggestions to make. some would have had it one way & some another but I suppose Vansoyok knows what he wants much better than any one of the lookers on.

Aug 18 Clear & pleasant this morning. Mark picked what few Peas we had left so many kept falling prematurely that few was left. I bought one dollar and twenty five cents worth of beef. took some boards up and got them surfaced for washboards. Mark is plowing wheat ground the balance of us done but little. I picked and Sold Mrs. McCalla one peck of plums for which she gives me 80 cents am to take them in Monday morning. I spent the afternoon in Town doing next to nothing. rained hard 3 miles South but none here.

Aug 19 Clear & warm. got up early & churned. shod Dolly & Mark drove her up to Pats. finished framing Roller frame and keyed it together it is substantial thus far. Em Wilson has just come out with her two fine little Boys. am glad to see her.

Aug 20 Clear & pleasant. devoted the Day to Joels Funeral. hauled a load of boards for seats and got the neighbors to bring chairs. at the appointed hour a large number of friends assembled to perform the last Sad rites. Abbie Whinney Fanny Hise John Clemens & Henry Hawley Sand and oh how beautiful it was both at the house and at the Cemetery. A B Bradford Delivered a Scientific discourse that was altogether different to what we are accustomed to hear on such occasions. one hundred and four Carriages formed in procession besides a number of that did not go to the Cemetery. John Gordon John Clemen T C Boone Joel Bonsall Jesse Hise & Myself were the Pall bearers. we returned and took Supper with the family.

Aug 21 Clear & cool very pleasant. hauled our boards back to the brickyard. Johny hauled a little Sand. Picked 5 bushel of apples & took them up Town. sold them for 35 cents per bushel. In afternoon we sett brick. Mark is Still plowing for wheat.

Aug 22 Clear & warm. got up early and done some iron work for Roller want to get done put in the entire day at it. have the plank all bolted on worked very steady at it all Day. it will be a nice as well as good one. Margaret is canning up the plums we have as many as she can take care of. at night she is tired.

Aug 23 Cloudy and threatens rain. got up early and churned. finished my Roller ready to hitch to. commenced to rain about 10 Oclock rained moderately until noon. Clem Street is here visiting with Nora. Mark finished plowing the wheat ground. Johny Blacksmithed some Joe picked plums. bought one dollars worth of Sugar & one pound of rosin for putting up fruit. got a letter from Parker Pillsbury one from Ed Hise.

Aug 24 Cloudy & pleasant. Mark is sowing our wheat. Johny is harrowing. I am at work on Noras aquarium must get it done & go at something else. in afternoon Johny is ironing Joe Thomases Sled. Mark rolled our wheat field and it looks very nice.

Aug 25 Clear & pleasant. bought one dollar & eight cents worth of beef. sett some brick in afternoon. done schores in Town. Mark sowed the Timothy seed on wheat. got a letter from Sis Hise all right. Put water & fish in Aquarium Does first rate.

Aug 26 Clear & pleasant as can well be. got up early & churned. made a rough table on which to set my Aquarium. spent the entire day at home. wrote a letter to Sis Hise.

Aug 27 Clear & pleasant. sett brick. bought a plowshare and a goldfish. Mark plowed John Marhals lot. is going to sow it in wheat. Fisher Reads 3rd wife is dead to whom he had been wedded but 28 days. he is but a young man yet.

Aug 28 Clear & warm. Mark is hauling dirt from John Wetmores. Johny & I sett some brick built wall etc. ground is getting dry again. would like to see it rain. shod Doll & Charlie mended wheelbarrow. Belle Miller is with us to night.

Aug 29 Clear & warm. got up early & churned. Johny & I sett brick take it moderate it is so warm. Mark finished hauling dirt by noon. commenced the job of filling up and putting down a Pavement for Robt French. rained a good shower in afternoon.

Aug 30 Clear & warm. gathered a Sack of apples & took up to Stephen Adams. hauling Brick. Johny & I are building wall. finished making Brick to Day. made 230,000 in all this season. laid by one month for harvest and as the weather was we might have made 100,000 which would have made us a good Summers work. Satisfied as it is they are such poor Sale. got our brick all up and covered.

Aug 31 Clear & cooler. broke down my broom corn before breakfast. Mark & Joe hauled brick Johny & I sett some. at noon heavy rain & wind from northwest vered around to about east and rained considerable some hail also. more rain than has fallen here for 2 months, our wheat is up nice. spent the afternoon in Town rained about all the time. came home in the rain.

Sep 1 Cloudy & wet rained most of the night. spent the day in Town. rented room number 25 Trinity block to Richard Jobes of Mount Holly New Jersey in which he is going to put boots & shoes for Sale rented it very low only 250 Dollars per year for one year only from the first of October next. Mark & Joe gathered the apples & made 2 barrels of Cider. cleared off much cooler and is pleasant.

Sep 2 Clear & cool. Mark has gone to Leetonia. I mended harness. measure wood that Stephen Adams chopped & counted the rails he split settled with him. Margret & I went out to Harriet Arners I went on out to see Jack Hinchcliffe took him some new cider he is almost gone. called and took dinner with Harriet. brot Mrs. Brown to Town. rained a

good shower at Dusk.

Sep 3 Clear & cool ground is well wet now. repaired and Mark Oiled harness. in afternoon Johny & I sett brick & Joe hauled Sand on Foundry hill. cool all Day. am unwell & go early to bed.

Sep 4 Clear & very pleasant. rested poorly first part of the night but by being right quiet I got to sleep. my head is very much out of sorts caused I suppose from the entrance of something objectionable beneath my Stomachs roof. wish I knew just what it was so that in future I might avoid it. spent the Day in Town. Mark dug our early Potatoes Johny sett brick (finished the Kiln in forenoon. in afternoon witnessed a game of ball.

Sep 5 Cloudy and cool. Mark hauled dirt out of Lewis Frenchs pavement. Johny & I worked at the casing. Paid Dick white five Dollars. got a dispatch from Ed Hise they are all well.

Sep 6 Cloudy & cool. Mark sowed and harrowed in John Marshalls wheat in forenoon. in afternoon hauled sand cinders and brick. Johny & I still working at the casing but got along slow. rained hard at 5 Oclock PM. got a letter from Ed Hise they are all well.

Sep 7 Cloudy & wet. we uncovered cistern brick in forenoon & well we did we were no sooner done than here comes a man from Canfield who got a thousand. Johny went to Columbiana to play Base Ball I shall be glad when that is played out. in afternoon Mark hauled some clay from Wm Hinchcliffe. I worked some at the casing and cut one of the counters in Room 25 Trinity Block loose want to move it. rained considerable in afternoon.

Sep 8 Cloudy & Dull. churned & bought beef. Mark & Joe hauled brick Johny & I built wall big job but we will make it.

Sep 9 Clear & fine. John Kneadler is buried to Day. wrote a letter to Sis & Ed. shod Charlie & put the lock on my wood wagon. mended ____ and various other little Schores. feel pretty well to Day but have had some sick spells. Jonas Cattell & Family called a few minutes did not get out of the Carriage but one of their daughters who is a favorite of Noras did and played a few minutes.

Sep 10 Cloudy & threatens. made horse nails & shod one of our horses. Mark hauled one load of wood and got caught in the rain is wet at noon. Mark helped us at the wall in afternoon. too wet to haul wood.

Sep 11 Cloudy warm & wet. churned before breakfast. is raining at 6 Oclock but at 7 slacked up. Mark haules wood although it rains some. roads are very sloppy. Lou Gibons is helping Johny & I at the wall.

Sep 12 Clear & pleasant this morning. made nails to shew Betty before breakfast. shod

her and then mounted Old Charlie & rode him down to Leetonia Furnace want to sell him as a Cart horse did not succeed for certain. got back at noon. rained some. spent the afternoon getting ready for the threshers who are to be here in the morning.

Sep 13 Clear & pleasant. am waiting for threshing Machine came at 11 Oclock. took until two to get to work at ½ past 6 we finished having threshed 514 ½ bushels in4 ½ hours including all stoppages which I think would amount to near an hour altogether which is averaging 147 bushels per hour actual running time. the fastest threshing I ever had done I suppose.

Sep 14 Clear & pleasant. emptied our Oats and took the Sacks home. cleaned up the barn hauled John Marshals oats up to his house. Paid Dick White all I owed him and hope is may be the last.

Sep 15 Clear & warm. churned before breakfast and then went to building Kiln wall. Mark is hauling wood. Day pleasant & cool at noon as I write. got a letter from Ed Hise on yesterday.

Sep 16 Clear & pleasant. shod black Charlie. took Doll & Buggy and went to Senobble to see a woman who expects to work for us she is not quite ready to come. will send me postal card when she is ready. came home past Richard Carls old place stopped at the spring and got a good drink of water. I had it spoken of as a good spring fiftytwo years ago but was never at it before. got home about noon where I spent most of the day. toward evening Margaret went to call on Sarah McMillen & I to see Benj Hilman. both returned at dark. Mrs. Warner had “Old Charlie” & Carriage again to day to the funeral of Lewis Knoedler whose Father was buried one weeek since.

Sep 17 Cloudy but pleasant. went up Town before breakfast to see Geo Fleck want him to paint for me to day. Mark hauled wood Johny Lue & I worked at the wall getting it pretty well along.

Sep 18 Clear & cool. worked at the wall all day am tired to night. bought one dollars worth of Sugar. Mark hauled wood.

Sep 19 Clear & cool. got up at peep of day went up to Store room and moved counter before breakfast. worked at the Kiln all Day. hauled Milton Davis 2 loads of brick. Mark is still hauling wood.

Sep 20 Clear & some cloudy at intervals. working away at the Kiln. Belle Miller has gone home after a days visit. she is rather pleasant as a visitor. Mark is still hauling wood. I moved 3 or 4 perch of Stone out of Alley they were in the way.

Sep 21 Clear & cool. getting the Kiln ready Johny is smearing it. bought a ham cost 2 83/100 Doll. wind in northwest and a little cool at noon as I write. got the Kiln ready to fire except a little Platting as the weather promises fair we will take a rest and wait until

tomorrow.

Sep 22 Clear & pleasant a little frost in the valleys. platted and fired our Kiln at noon. in afternoon I swept out Store room and put in the inside windows. took off my Yale lock to oil it came near getting into a scrape by taking it apart but I managed to get it together again all right.

Sep 23 Clear & fine. Johny & I fired the Kiln all night it seems to be doing well. Mark went up to Pats. Despatch came to Town at 10 Oclock PM saying "Mead is Dead and I am Safe" Jo Fountain Sheriff. Mead is the murderer of Old Mr Davidson was found guilty and Sentenced to be hanged but got the grant of a new trial but pending that he broke jail some months ago and had up to this time eluded pursuit. I shall be curious to hear the particulars.

Sep 24 Clear & warm. Kiln is doing fine. Mark & I hauled 3 loads of brick then he went for a load of coal for Jenny Post. hauled a load of wood and a load of brick afternoon. in evening I bought a pair of boots at Lambs Auction for 2 50/100 Do.

Sep 25 Clear & warm is fine as can be. our Kiln is good and hot this morning. Mark hauled brick & wood has about wood enough hauled. Wm Stringfellow is helping us to Day. middle is down enough and we change fires at 8 Oclock PM. Ella Huddle is here to night.

Sep 26 Cloudy at sunrise but Does not look rainy. Johny is going to Lisbon Fair we can get along without him to day. Mark hauled Sand and Stone. Kiln is nearly done. Ella went home.

Sep 27 Cloudy & pleasant. Johny got back to the kiln at midnight had a good time at the Fair. he & I ran the Kiln to Day. Mark is hauling dirt from Wm Wests pavement. I am doing the job of excavating filling up with gravel & laying the brick doing the whole thing. West is cross about it but the Mayor would be put off no longer.

Sep 28 Clear & warm. Johny & I stayed at the Kiln last night. shut it up this morning came home to breakfast. now for something else. in afternoon I went Down to Andrims & brot our Turkeys home. gave them 3 young ones for the Depredations committed by them by way of Destruction of corn etc etc. Mark is hauling dirt from Wm Wests I having undertook to put Down the pavement.

Sep 29 Clear & warm. hauled gravel from John Whinneys with both teams to fill up for Wests pavement got along right well I leveled & raked it. Tine Fuller & her two children are here. Margaret is tired of putting up peaches.

Sep 30 Clear & warm. got up early & repaired our Drawing apparatus for getting water out of the well. think I have made some very important improvements in it. Geo Fleck called out he is going to work for me Paint paper & carpenter at our house. brot 6 of

Turkeys from Jont Evans.

Oct 1 Clear & warm. got up early went over to see Pack Seeds. he is coming to help Geo Fleck shingle our house. Johny with Old Charlie moved Sis Wait in forenoon. in afternoon hauled Sand. Mark hauled Sand all Day. I leveled and raked it into its place. sold some brick. weather getting rather dry. Geo Fleck is working at the house on Foundry Hill getting it ready to paint and Paper.

Oct 2 Clear & very pleasant. churned before breakfast. Geo Fleck & Pack Seeds is shingling our house. Mark & I worked at the pavement got the gravel in by noon. in afternoon we hauled the Brick 3600 of them. no prospect of rain.

Oct 3 Clear & warm. Johny went to Canfield fair. Mark & I are working at the Pavement he hauling Sand I laying down the Brick. Geo is not here to Day gone to the Fair.

Oct 4 Cloudy & wet having rained considerable last night but Mark & I worked at the Pavement he hauled Sand and I laid brick. got it about done. Nora went on Excursion train to Pittsburgh. Started at 8 Oclock expects to return sometime to night. Anna Schilling Carrie Arter & Young Mr. Arter are her company quite a crowd went from Salem. cleared off in afternoon and is cool. Geo ceiled our back porch and it looks much the better of it.

Oct 5 Clear & cool but I see no frost to hurt. Johny returned last evening. Mark went to Alliance Fair. I laid Down Robt Frenchs pavement & finished Wests. Geo Fleck is shingling. Nora returned much pleased with her trip to Pittsburgh.

Oct 6 Clear & cool. Mark is home this morning. took a grist to mill for hog feed I shelled the corn. Mark hauled a load of coal to Richard Jobes. Margaret & I attended the funeral of _____ Suliot.

Oct 7 Clear & cool some frost in low places this morning. got up early went over to Jont Evans to look for our Turkeys. found them but could not separate them from his and left them. selected a couple of young lin trees I want to transplant for Almina tabor when the season of the year arrives. Mark & Margaret went out to Hard Scrabble to see the woman that is coming to work for us she is ready to come any day. came home past and stopped at Grandmother Goulbourns spent good part of the day there. Uncle Silas called out and took Dinner with us. threatens rain at bedtime.

Oct 8 Cloudy cool & wet having rained about all night but ceased at 6 Oclock. Mark dug Potatoes I done Schores in Town Johny Blacksmithed. cool all Day.

Oct 9 Clear & pleasant at Sunrise. brot our Turkeys home from Sarahs where they ran off to on yesterday. Johny & Mark picked apples I spent the day in Town doing but little. John Webb of West Liberty Iowa called a few minutes.

Oct 10 Clear & coolish. Mark & Johny picked apples I helped Jehu Strawn Survey Brickyard lots. took about all Day.

Oct 11 Cloudy & wet Drizzled rain but I worked out in it. hauled 2 loads of Stone & 2 loads of brick in forenoon. in afternoon I done nothing. Mark & Johny finished gathering the apples have about 60 bushels. Tine Fuller took Dinner with us. cold and raw all Day. Republican Party badly beaten in the State.

Oct 12 Cloudy & cool. commenced grading Brickyard lot want to make it nice. Sold some brick. took Dinner at brother Jesses.

Oct 13 Cloudy & cool. Mark hauled a load of coal Johny & I put on Brickshed in forenoon. in afternoon we all three worked at filling pond got it in good shape now.

Oct 14 Clear & fine this morning. took Doll and carriage out to Scrabble & brot our new Female help for Margaret. very warm & pleasant all Day. Emly Robinson called and spent a short time with us.

Oct 15 Clear & warm. George Fleck shingled the house Mark & Johny Digging Potatoes. at noon I went to Town Paid Jackson Cotton five hundred twenty two Dollars and thirty three cents money I had borrowed of him since the 24 of last March. five hundred Dollars was principal and 22 33/100 interest at 8 per cent.

Oct 16 Clear & pleasant. Mark & Johny finished digging Potatoes and put them all in the cellar. George & I shingled at the house. Grandpap Dickinson & Harriet visited us to Day he is very feeble and she not well by any means. in evening Margaret & I went up to Marius Robinsons & called on Abona Gilbert who has come from Lancaster County Penn on a visit. we were particularly pleased to see her. Sent Ella five Dollars by mail.

Oct 17 Cloudy and fine. George Shingled got the house done. I delivered winter apples. Mark & Johny made cider & hauled rye straw to bind our fodder. I paid Jacob Hole 7 Dollars owe him nine yet. bought a long handled shovel.

Oct 18 Cloudy but no rain. Geo is repairing out Side of house getting it ready to paint. I delivered some apples. bought and put in Galvanized pipe for Bathhouse pump. Mark hauled in 2 loads of corn we righted up the corn crib. splendid weather as can be.

Oct 19 Cloudy & dull. Geo & I worked on foundry hill & Mark & Johny filled pond. rained a very little all Day. at 4 PM was too wet to be out.

Oct 20 Cloudy & wet. bought 134 cents worth of beef. Johny & Mark filled at the pond. I helped Geo some and assisted at the Pond. bought Johny a Pair of first class coarse boots. bought ham and sweet potatoes. dull all Day.

Oct 21 Cloudy & wet having rained hard last night. George Fleck brought us their Old Cat in hopes she will clear our cellar of Rats. sold him a chicken. Marius & Emly Robinson with Abona Gilbert spent the Day with us. we were delighted to have them. James Suliot too called in and we prevailed on him to Stay to dinner. heavy mist fell most of the day making it disagreeable out of doors.

Oct 22 Clear & cool but no frost to hurt. sent Sis her Barrel of canned fruit and also shipped our Pittspovcem Tobina to Soldiers Home Dayton Ohio. Mark hauled corn & pumpkin. I spent the day at the brickyard loading some brick & carrying in the boards.

Oct 23 Clear & cool. Geo is painting the outside of our house. Mark & Johny hauling pumpkins & corn. I worked at brickyard loading brick & grading down the Knobs. Pleasant all Day.

Oct 24 Clear & pleasant. hauled a load of Sand. sold some Squashes. graded at the Brickyard hauled in corn etc etc. Margaret is absent at Grandmothers to day. Mark brot her home by moonlight. Geo is Painting out side of house.

Oct 25 Cloudy with a little rain but at noon is clear & warm. graded at brickyard until noon. geo is papering on Foundry hill. Johny & I tore up the Pavement before widow Readers house on Lisbon Street. going to relay it.

Oct 26 Cloudy & warm. Johny & I working at the pavement. Mark hauls Sand. Geo is painting at our hosue.

Oct 27 Cloudy & warm. Johny & I made pavement got all done. Mark hauled Sand and corn got corn all in. got a letter from Sis Hise all well.

Oct 28 Clear & warm. got up early boiled 10 gallons of Linseed Oil. Margaret & Mark are going to Sharpnacks to See Tine. will stay at home & write Sis a letter. after their return I take the Mare & Buggy and ride out to Hal Arners & read Ingersolls vindication of Thomas Paine. after returning home I walked over to see Jo Stewart but he was not at home. spent a few minutes at Sarahs (Margaret & I).

Oct 29 Clear most of the Day cloudy at times but little indications of rain. finished our Pavement all up complete. hauled the dirt that was very rich onto our corn ground. hauled 2 loads of brick & one of Stone. wrote a letter to D M Bennett enclosing 1 25/100 Dol for Truth Seeker with a list of 6 Subor___.

Oct 30 Clear & cool the first frost we have had and it not a hard one. took Firman Gee a bucket of butter milk. Mark & Johny is grading at the brickyard. I am tearing down Coal house on Foundry hill. case of Small Pox close by where I work. shall be very cautious. Old Friction Match Pedlow called to stay all night could not well refuse him he is clever like man. and not much in the way.

Oct 31 Cloudy and Drizzling rain at 7 Oclock but soon cleared off and is as fine as ever. wind is in a colder quarter (northwest but still it is not cold. repeating to day that we are tearing down house & grading at the yard. Nora had a few of her School mates out to spend the evening they had a jolly time went home at 9 Oclock.

Nov 1 Clear & cool sharp frost. lots of Small Pox here. Main Street fenced up from Penn to Lisbon and Wm Pidgeon Is on Franklin Avenue has it also so Johny tearing down building. Mark is hauling coal.

Nov 2 Cloudy windy & wet rained all night last night but is still warm. shod 2 of our horses nailed my Boots etc. growing gradually colder. John Hinchcliffe Died 20 minutes before five Oclock on yesterday evening. he has lingered several months with Consumption. he Died tranquilly. Mark has gone for a load of coal. got a letter from Mr. Earnshaw Chaplain to Soldiers Home Dayton acknowledging receipt in good order of the Pittsponcewan Tobina I sent him. “it has the reputation of being the best specimin in the country. he sent me in turn a History of the Home written 3 years ago.

Nov 3 Cloudy cold and blustery wind in west but not freezing any. gathered up walnuts before breakfast, hauled dirt from house on Foundry hill to Brickyard. prepared places to sett 2 shade trees for Almina Tabor on Broadway.

Nov 4 Clear & frosty ground frozen some this morning. churned took Simon Gee some buttermilk and called at widow Posts & got a new vest she has just made for me. spent the entire Day at home. Grandpap Barsley called out a short time.

Nov 5 Cloudy warmer windy & threatgens storm. Geo is here mixing his Paint says he can paint the lee side where the Storm will not be likely to reach. I must go to Alliance on the Mail Train at 10 Oclock promised to meet Milton Taylor there. returned at 4 ½ Oclock PM.

Nov 6 Cloudy & cold. Geo is not here to Day. blacksmithed until noon. attended the Funeral of John Hinchcliffe in afternoon. cold all Day. large turn out.

Nov 7 Clear & cold. ground froze hard this morning for the first. hauled coal and brick. Geo Paints. Old Stephen Wisner was buried to Day. he has been a citizen since 1818. died lacking 4 months of 90 years.

Nov 8 Cloudy & wet having rained last night. slept well & feel first rate this morning. made out a deed to Andrew Goily for the property he got of Ed Hise and that was yet in my name. took a mortgage on it for 350 Dollars with long payments. took it to Lisbon to be recorded. rained most of the day.

Nov 9 Cloudy & dull. hauled a few brick. brot our rake home that I traded for a day or two since. Mark & I cut four Sawlogs. Johny finished Jo Thomas sled and helped him home with it. roads are getting sloppy.

Nov 10 Cloudy & cool but not froze any. Mark & I filled a couple of beds took them to Town returned & hauled in 3 logs by noon. worked in shop in part of afternoon. took our 2 year old heifer to McMillans. went to Town in evening expecting to get a letter but was disappointed. will freeze some to night. ____ Gee is with us to night.

Nov 11 Clear & cold but soon the sun warmed up where its rays could rach. made one new door to carriage house. Uncle Silas called out took dinner chatted a short time. grandpap Barsley also called out awile. Day beautiful as can be.

Nov 12 Clear & cool ground froze this morning but thawed by noon. worked at the foundation on foundry hill. Mark hauled stone Dirt & one load of coal. 2 or 3 more cases of Small Pox to day no deaths yet. Geo is Painting.

Nov 13 Clear & cool froze some but not so hard as last night. worked at the foundation. Mark hauled fence posts and in afternoon hauled coal. warmed up fine to Day.

Nov 14 Clear and warmer froze but little last night. still at the foundation I am framing. Mark hauled Stone all Day. Geo is painting.

Nov 15 Cloudy & wet rained considerable last night. Mark mowed Fred Noosebaum in forenoon. in afternoon hauled one load of manure from Milt Smith when it got too wet. Johny & I worked on Foundry hill. wet all Day.

Nov 16 Cloudy but pleasant. Johny & I worked on Foundry hill got sills on foundation. Mark hauled brick Manure & one load of coal. James Suliot called in evening and settled his account for brick gave me an order on Shell Parker for 119 bushel & one on the high bank for 100 bushel which Squared his account. I signed Insurance Policy of Ed Hise over to Andrew Goily that Swap is now all fixed up.

Nov 17 Cloudy warm & wet rained a good shower last night. worked at the building on Foundry hill got it raised in afternoon. Mark & Johny hauled brick in forenoon. cleared off and is fine as can be.

Nov 18 Cloudy but still warm. some wind from a warm quarter. went with John Wetmore at to Jacob Lowerys Stone quarry 7 miles north where are to be sen a curiosity in the shape of large tracks made in the Sand ages gone by the Sand having become solid rock. they are about 3 feet apart and very regular 10 inches long 7 inches wide and 3 inches deep. made by some ponderous animal as he sank in th Sand sufficient to leave the impress of his fettock. a young one left its track along side. what made them I shall never know. quarried 3 of them for John and he brot them home with him. wrote a letter to Ed Hise sent him a facsimile of the tracks. cool all Day. took Dinner with Lowery.

Nov 19 Cloudy & cool but not unpleasant. got up at 5 Oclock walked over to Pack Seeds got him to come and help me enclose our addition got along fine. Mark & Johny

cut logs and got them Sawed and brot them up ready to use. Reason Bricker is building the chimneys. Johny & Nora is down to Sister Unas to a party to night.

Nov 20 Cloudy but pleasant froze a very little last night. got both chimneys up to the roof. got rafters on and considerable Sheeting. Mark hauled coal and brick. cleared off and is pleasant as april. bought ½ Keg 8 P nails for 4 ½ per lb.

Nov 21 Cloudy & moderate. got the Sheeting on our new addition and got it pretty nearly weatherboarded. Mark hauled brick boards & coal. everything seemed to be moving along smoothly. George has our house almost Done outside.

Nov 22 Cloudy & wet. I made floor & lined up coal house up Town. Mark went to Mill hauled some brick & repaired the Dam. Reason Bricker built at the chimneys in afternoon too wet drizzled rain most of the forenoon. cool & raw in afternoon. Sold a few Brick. roads sloppy.

Nov 23 Cloudy & Dull Drizzled rain all Day. could do nothing out of doors. paid Robt Justice five Dollars on account. came home past Brickyard Dam is filling up fast. John Wetmore paid me his Brick bill 17.05 cts. gave Margaret ten Dollars of it as she needed and Deserved it.

Nov 24 Cloudy & dull but rain is over. went to brickyard found the Dam gone will try it again. Bark hauled a load of Brick brot our grist home. took Pack Seeds one hundred of flour brot home 20 bu coal. Abona Gilbert is with us again she Margaret visited Sarah in afternoon.

Nov 25 Cloudy & Dull. Margaret Abona & myself visited at Grandmother Goulbourns & James Suliots. took dinner at the latter place. returned at Dark left Abona at Marius Robinsons. Johny got his new overcoat last night cost 20 Doll is a very good one.

Nov 26 Cloudy but no rain to Day. Mark & Johny repaired the Dam while I helped Don Crumrine finish his Hearse House got it Done nicely. Paid Robt Justice ten Dollars on account.

Nov 27 Cloudy & slightly cooler. Margaret & I spent the forenoon with Abona & Mary Gilbert looking through the machine Shops. at noon went to Depot and Saw Abona off for her home in Lancaster Co Penn. Mark & Johny finished repairing the Dam. the tiners put the roof on the addition.

Nov 28 Cloudy & cool but not frozen. Pack Seeds finished enclosing our house on foundry hill. Johny & I fixed the water to prevent it freezing. Geo is painting inside blinds. Mark hauled slack.

Nov 29 Cloudy & cold ground frozen this morning. looks as if winter was setting in. Geo Painted blinds in forenoon. I went to Town bought stuff for overalls. am spending

the afternoon with Margaret in our bed room (that is well warmed up) helping her cut out and mend up my clothes. must now get ready for winter. Nora is up taking Thanksgiven Dinner with Bessie Rush.

Nov 30 Cloudy & cold winter is here. hauling the flooring up on Foundry hill. Mark took a grist to Mill. I done but little except to Shell the Corn at the mill. in eveningI glazed the windows. Nora got a letter from sis with birthday presents a pair of cuff pins.

Dec 1 Cloudy & cold. laid a little floor. Done schores about Town. made a bucket for pump. weather moderated a little roads are getting smooth. got better ink. Invited Bessie Rush out to dinner tomorrow.

Dec 2 Clear & pleasant. built a comfortable Stable for "Old Mike". hooped meat barrel for George Fleck, repaired our washhouse pump three good jobs am glad they are done. had a Turkey for Dinner. slept in the chair awhile. Jesse Hise & wife called out a short time the latter & Margret went Down to see Sarah McMillen back in good time. Bessie Rush visited Nora and is going to Stay all night.

Dec 3 Clear & cool. made a platform to fill with Sand on which to sett a stove took it up to one of the 2nd story rooms in Trinity Block want to have it Safe. laid floor on Foundry hill. Mark spent the Day at home tending to stock. thawed considerable is much warmer. spent the evening reading the Truth Seeker.

Dec 4 Cloudy & Dull. Mark went for coal & came back empty. I finished laying floor & put up some of the joice. Johny Blacksmithed some. rained all the afternoon. in evening Johny & I went to see slight of hand performance pretty good. our tickets were presented to us. Julius Votern made an assignment on yesterday liabilities heavy.

Dec 5 Cloudy & wet. worked on foundry hill. Mark & Johny hauled a few brick too wet to be out of Doors at anything. waters high roads muddy. Dam is full of water if it only holds to night will try it certain.

Dec 6 Cloudy & colder froze a little. Johny & I repaired the Dam it is now about full. had notice served on me to tear it down as the board of health declares it a nuisance that was unexpected to me. carpentered in afternoon. George Painted Mark hauled coal. got a letter from Ed Hise.

Dec 7 Cloudy & cold with a little Snow Down. wrote a note to Board of Health of Salem and handed it to C Snyder one of the Board and await their action. carpentered most of the Day. Mark hauled Sis Wait a load of Coal. Paid Geo Fleck 2 Dollars.

Dec 8 Cloudy cool and pleasant winter weather. Johny & I put a new runner in logsled got it all ready for a good snow. Geo is Still Painting Mark is hauling coal & slack.

Dec 9 Cloudy & pleasant. repaired our checklines wrote a letter to Ed & Sis. went down

to Sarahs to see Annie Morris but she was absent at Marius Robinsons. very pleasant all Day.

Dec 10 Cloudy & warmer thaws considerable to to Day. I worked on Foundry hill. Mark hauled in some fodder. almost warm enough to rain. Johny & Nora are up Town to hear the New Orleans Minstrels.

Dec 11 Cloudy & warm thawed considerable. carpentered none to Day. in afternoon went to Lisbon & Paid my Tax 75 41/100 Doll got back at Dark. went to Town met the Board of health had a hearing in regard to tearing down my Dam. they are very hostile to its remaining up and I Don't care enough about it to contend with them.

Dec 12 Cloudy & still warmer. Met the Board of Health at the Dam this morning at 8 Oclock where taking into consideration the quality of the Ice together with the destruction of things around there by the Boys we all Deemed it the wisest way to tear it Down. none acquised in it more cheerfully than myself for I was convinced there is no revenue in it. Johny Painted tin roof Mark hauled Sand for Pack Seeds.

Dec 13 Cloudy & warm. got John Marshall to build a small foundation for Steps on Foundry hill. I carpentered Mark hauled Stone Lumber etc etc. very pleasant winter weather. Geo is painting inside of house. I selected paper for our bedroom. in evening I made some letters for Albert Silvers wants them for his Son.

Dec 14 Clear & pleasant froze some last night but thawed in the Sun. Johny got foundation ready for Marshall to build us some more Stone wall. I carpentered Mark hauled a few Stone & Done scores about the hosue. Geo papered our Bed room did not quite finish it. splendid weather as could be desired this time of year.

Dec 15 Clear & very pleasant. done but little to day what little I did do was carpentering. John Marshall commenced foundation for garden house but did not get it quite finished. Mark tore down the Paling fence in front of 3 cornered pieces will fence it anew if the weather keeps fair. looks some like rain at sunset.

Dec 16 Clear & warm as pleasant as April allDay. Mark & I took our cook stove out and mended and cleaned it thoroughly & put it back in its place. after Dinner I laid Down before the grate in our bedroom and slept until about sunset Margaret & Nora being absent over to grandmother Goulbourns. in evening Nora & I went down to Sarahs & spent a couple of hours with Annie Norris she starts home tomorrow evening. clear & moonlight and as pleasant as can be at 8 Oclock PM as I write.

Dec 17 Cloudy & a little wet rained some about Daylight heavy mist fell all forenoon. Mark & I hauled up 200 Tile Stephen & Jake commenced Digging ditch. I put in 35 feet if Tile. rained in afternoon. Annie Norris started home.

Dec 18 Cloudy & clear at intervals warm & pleasant all Day. Done lots of schores &

work to day. helped haul brick & put in Tile. Geo wainscoted our kitchen. got Jacob McConner to butcher our hogs took over to his Slaughter house will leave themthere all night.

Dec 19 Cloudy & warm. laid in some tile. cut up & Salted my Pork had a nice lot of it. hogs were well dressed. roads are getting muddy as can well be.

Dec 20 Cloud warm & wet. put in what tile I had hauled up 200 feet in all the ditch is still progressing finely. Mark & Johny helpedMargaret do up the butchering work got it all done up nicely. got a letter from Ed Hise they are all well.

Dec 21 Cloudy warm & dull foggy out this morning. put in Tile in forenoon. in afternoon Mark & I sett out two trees for Almina Tabor on Broadway one a sugar tree the other a basswood (or lin) both very nice trees. got them in Philip Evans wood

Dec 22 Clear & warm. Mark & I are grading at the brickyard in forenoon. Johny is helping Mr. Kirk building hog pens. got our tile all in and covered over. Ditch all filled up & job completed am glad it is done. paid Geo Fleck four Dollars. a vast amount of People from the country in Town to Day.

Dec 23 Cloudy & warm still. repaired a shovel and shod “Bettie”. Belle Miller is with us to day. Margaret & I rode out to Hal Arners found Grand pap Dickinson very poorly. his Son david who has been absent 12 years is with him. I fear he cannot live many days.

Dec 24 Cloudy & warm. I spent the day in Town collected a little money to Spend for Christmas but it is hard to get hold of. bought a few presents.

Dec 25 Cloudy & a trifle cooler but still warm ____ weather. Nora was well pleased with her presents. shot twice at a Turkeys head & missed it both times. finally Mark hit it across the neck with a club and we secured it. took it up to Geo Fleck. I spent most of the Day in Town but little going on. Dense fog to Day Singular weather surely for time of year. We had a turkey for Dinner and ate it ourselves with the exception of Will Hise he happened in & helped us.

Dec 26 Cloudy warm & wet Drizzled rain a little but Mark & Stephen is Plowing & Scraping at the brickyard leveling down the high into the low places. I helped some but having some other business to attend to am doing that. Margaret & Nora is absent at Mother Goulbourns as I write at noon. brightens up at times & looks as though the Sun would shine out. remained cloudy Dull & foggy with drizzling rain most of the afternoon.

Dec 27 Cloudy and foggy weather same as yesterday except that it does not rain. Henny Reitzel and Geo Fleck is graining our Sitting room to day. I do but little some looking on. Mark & Stephen is grading at the Brickyard. dull & foggy all Day with wind hauled round to northeast but no colder. Nora has gone to Mr. Henkles to an evening party is going to Stay all night.

Dec 28 Cloudy with no perceptible change in weather. Still damp and foggy. Henny & Geo still graining. Mark put in the day at the Brickyard. I worked at carpentering on Foundry hill. warm & murky weather with roads about as muddy as they can get. our winter thus far is an open one. our stock is still doing well on the pasture of which we have considerable.

Dec 29 Cloudy & warmer. Mark & Johny hauled a load of Oats Straw to Galvanized Iron works brot 8 Dollars per Ton. I carpentered on Foundry hill in forenoon. in afternoon Sat about Town doing nothing. Edgar French Paid me 32 Dollars for Ed Hise (rent money). Jesse Beeson Died at 4 Oclock PM he was among the oldest residents in the neighborhood (84 years & six months was married in 1814 his wife survives him is smart on foot.

Dec 30 Cloudy & a very little cooler. ground is chilled a little Geo came out and finished painting the blinds. Mark took Julia out to Hecklers. I worked most of the Day carving an Elk head will take a day or two more to finish it. growed gradually colder all Day and as I write at 7 PM is quite cold and windy. will freeze up pretty hard to night.

Dec 31 Cloudy warmer and snowing a little this morning froze but little last night having moderated since dark last night. spent most of the Day in Town. Richard Jobes Paid his quarter rent (62 ½ Dollars). I paid 30 Dollars insurance Policy on Trinity Block one thousand dollars for 5 years. moderated in middle of the Day but at Dark is much colder will freeze to night.

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Jan 1 Clear & cold at daylight but soon clouded up and is very mild winter weather all day. I spent the Day in Town very quiet there all Day. Geo hung inside blinds. got our coal stove lined with a fire proof cement cost one dollar & a half (McKenzies Patent). Brot out the paper for our hall. Jesse Beeson buried to Day.

Jan 2 Cloudy and moderate commenced snowing at 7 Oclock AM continued moderately until noon when it increased and at ½ one is snowing and blowing terribly from northeast will have winter now certain. Mark & Johny Sawed down the old cherry tree & cut it up. I worked in Town.

Jan 3 Clear & cold. Mark is hauling logs together for Chessman to Saw into firewood. I work up Town. sun shines bright but thaws none of account. Julia is back after an absence of 3 days. Margaret got a letter from Sis.

Jan 4 Cloudy and snowing fast at 7 Oclock AM with several inches already down. bought Mark a pair of gum boots cost 3 75/100 Dollars. walked home past Phillip Evans tiresome work. ceased snowing before noon and is pleasant winter weather. Mark hauled logs for Chessman in afternoon. I worked up Town. Nora has gone up Town to a Dance. Sleighing is pretty good and a little still falling at 7 Oclock.

Jan 5 Cloudy & cold with plenty of Snow. took Doll & the Robe up Town hitched to our new Sleigh. went down Broadway to Lewis Schillings where I found Nora she having went there from the dance last night. she got a couple of her playmates into the new Sleigh and gave them a ride. Mark is hauling logs. Johny hauled Sis Wait a one horse load of coal. I carpentered. very cold at sunset. Nora is at Doc Rushes to night Bessie having come out after her.

Jan 6 Clear & frosty with no more snow it is now too cold for that. shod Old Charlie complete with new shoes. made a new handle for cant hook sat by the fire the balance of the day. snowing a little at sundown.

Jan 7 Clear cold and fosty is very still or it would be unendurable out of doors. Mark hauled logs. Chessman got Old Charlie & rigged up a second team to haul logs. I worked up Town. bored the hubs for Sis's Pheaton so that now it is fairly commenced. not so cold at sundown.

Jan 8 Cloudy & cool yet but has moderated some. mended our log chain Mark hauled logs. I spent the day in Town. turned a sett of hubs for Sis's Pheaton as good as can be made. bought a new wash board cost 15 cents.

Jan 9 Cloudy & some warmer. we are hauling our stack of hay to Town to day. thaws a little and is quite pleasant winter weather. Mark & I hauled hay to Town get 10 Dollars

per ton for it. Sold it to Brown Smith & Co. brot home a new Bedstead cost 22 Dollars intend it for Nora after awhile.

Jan 10 Cloudy & Dull raining a little with wind ineast. Mark & I went out and topped out the haystack to keep it dry will take a big rain to hurt it. will not haul anymore until it dries either by freezing or otherwise. quit raining and at 10 Oclock we commenced to haul hay. got 2 loads more to Town. roads are getting Sloppy. Peter Amblers Son Died very suddenly of Hemmorage of the lungs at 11 Oclock to Day. raining a very little at sunset but the wind has hauled round to northwest. will be apt to freeze before morning.

Jan 11 Cloudy & colder. finished hauling our hay. is windy & cold but is not freezing the mud at noon. snowed some toward night but melted as it fell. roads will soon be bad if the weather does not change.

Jan 12 Cloudy & moderate winter weather. took a turkey worth one dollar and forty five cents up to Robt Thompsons. ground my plane bits & a pair of shears at the Buckeye. worked some at my Elk head. in afternoon attended the funeral of Wad Ambler. a large concourse of Friends attended him to his final resting place. cold and damp all day. Mark & Johny each hauled a load of coal. Paid Harmon (the thresher) five Dollars left it with Lewis French for him.

Jan 13 Cloudy & dull. worked some at Elk head got it about done. Edgar French paid me 3 doll for Ed Hise & 4 for myself Pasture he owed me. Sam Elton bought fence posts for Spokes.

Jan 14 Cloudy & wet. took a Turkey up to Thomas Harman he gave me one Dollar & sixty cents for it. brot out the strait edge I had made to assist me in Papering our Hall. expected Geo Fleck out to help me but he did not come so Johny & I done what we could at it. what we got done looks very well. Mark hauled a load of straw to Madison Woodruff. snowed some toward night.

Jan 15 Cloudy & some colder the mud is freezing up. Johny & I finished the lower story of the Hall by noon and it pleases us all. the afternoon I spent in Town. grows gradually colder all Day. roads are smooth & hard.

Jan 16 Cloudy & cool ground frozen. Mark hauled 51 fence posts to Sam Elton & 2 loads of manure from John Garwoods home. I worked at my hat rack got it up and a coat of paint on it. thawed some roads are excellent.

Jan 17 Cloudy & moderate winter weather. I went out to see grandpap Dickinson found him so poorly that I came home and after Dinner Margaret & I both went out and spent the afternoon with him. he rests pretty well but is very feeble cannot rally again. Mark hauled Straw cornfodder & coal. thawed a little roads are excellent. mailed a letter to J Elizabeth Jones of Oneida Co NY. she once lived in Salem.

Jan 18 Cloudy and very moderate winter weather seems more like April than January. spent the Day in Town. in afternoon helped Henry Judd repair his gravel Roof. brot ½ Sack of flour from City Mill to Jennie Post and her for sewing for me. Margaret & Johny was over to grandmother Goulbourns to day. Mark hauled Manure from Madison Woodruff. thawed considerable and roads are getting sloppy will freeze none to night.

Jan 19 Clear & pleasant sun shone fine all Day is warm as April. Mark hauled manure. I sett the grate in bedroom on Foundry hill. bought a couple of pounds of coffee. came home at Dark is very sloppy in the roads fost must be about out. looked for J G Hise & Lady this evening but they did not get here.

Jan 20 Cloudy warm & wet. rained some last night and at 8 Oclock AM is at it yet. is gloomy out of doors. spent the entire day lounging by the fire. had no company to day.

Jan 21 Cloudy warm & wet. as muddy as can well be. spent the forenoon in Town doing but little. Mark & Johny ground our axes. J G Hise and Lady arrived on the noon Train took dinner at Jesses. from there went over to grandmother Goulbourns. called here on their way but I was absent at the Buckeye where I had gone to plane up a cane so that I saw them not.

Jan 22 Cloudy & still drizzling rain. after breakfast Nora & I are going over to see Gauly & his wife I have never saw her yet. Mark hitched up Doll and we were soon off with roads horrid. found all right at grandmothers. staid with them until near noon when we returned bringing them and Rotie Gee with us. on my returning home found Ridgeway Haines (of Alliance) here was glad to meet him. he stopped and took Dinner with us. after a couple of hours chat he left for home. the weather turned colder and at Dark commenced snowing & blowing so that we all hugged the fire. Brother Jesse Fan & Will Hise having come out we sat up & Sang songs and chatted until late. Jesse must have had a stormy walk home. Fan & Will with Rotie Stay all night. cold and blustery as we retire.

Jan 23 Clear & cold with 2 inches of snow. roads will be about impossible to day. thank fortune we can abide in the house and our Horses in the Barn. no going out such weather as this. wrote a letter to Wm Hise in answer to a card I got from him on yesterday. Went to Town with Goly and he & I looked through the Buckeye & Galvanized Iron works. got back a little after dinner and at 2 Oclock he & Ida with Rotie Gee has just started over to grandmothers will have a rough ride. Goly walks. sun shines pleasant but thaws none is quite cold.

Jan 24 Clear & cold froze pretty hard last night. spent most of the day in Town. was out to see grand pap Dickinson he is very feeble. took Dinner there Jane Duck was there also. I came back to Town about 2 Oclock. thawed some where the Sun shone fair but the air is still cool has moderated some since noon.

Jan 25 Cloudy & mild feels like an Aprilmorning. went to Town bought Oyster Crackers

Dishes etc. came home in time to Shew Dolly by noon. had a little Dinner party for Goly & Wife. Samuel ____ the only one outside of family connection had a pleasant afternoon. spent the evening in pleasant conversation with Goly who by the way is a good talker.

Jan 26 Clear cool and raw with some indications of cold rain. at 9 Oclock Goly & I went to town by way of Philip Evans Barn. I wanted Goly to see the colt I want to get (we saw it). Parted on east Main Street with the understanding that if we otherwise failed to meet in Town we would meet at the Dinner table. the later arrangement was fulfilled at 3 Oclock PM. they returned to grandmothers where we are all to meet them tomorrow. spent the latter part of the day in Town.

Jan 27 Cloudy & Dull. got up at 7 Dressed and walked out to see grandpap Dickinson found him quite comfortable. got back by breakfast. at 11 Oclock Started on foot over to grandmother Goulbourns Margaret Nora & Fanny Hise came over in the Carriage. we took Dinner & spent the day with Goly & Lady M V Yound and Lady Geo Wilkes & wife were there also. we sang Songs & talked what we could put in the time very pleasantly indeed got home at dark. I walked as I prefer it to riding. roads are Sloppy but not deep. was foggy and a mist fell most of the day.

Jan 28 Cloudy & some colder this morning with a very little snow. spent the Day in Town. took Dinner at Brother Jesses with Goly Hise & wife and lots of others too numerous to mention. they started for Iowa on the 4 40 Train. went to Depot & Saw them off. is pretty cold at sunset will freeze hard to night. James Suliot started to Ireland.

Jan 29 Cloudy & cold ground froze up. Mark & I chopped wood in P Evans meadow both poor choppers but we stuck steady at it hard wood to chop. sun shone but thawed very little. came to the house at ½ past 4 PM. will put in the balance of the Day reading & resting.

Jan 30 Clear & very pleasant out this morning. Mark & I cut wood until noon got Stephen to help us. in afternoon Mark & I hauled a load of Straw to Aaron Walton. cold all Day and at Sundown threatens Snow. Damp wind from east.

Jan 31 Cloudy and snowing fast from Southeast at daylight must have snowed most of the night. at 8 Oclock AM is near two feet deep and still falling as fast as I ever saw it fall. Mark is going to take Nora to School but he will have a job of it. I went up with him. snowed all Day is all of 2 feet deep. Mark brot me home with Nora. got a long letter from Sis & Ed. Stacy Hunt ____ who was an ____ by ____ Salem in ____ Died at ____ Oclock AM.

Feb 1 Cloudy and cold with about 2 feet of snow Dry and nice is snowing a little as I write at 8 Oclock AM. Mark has started to take Nora to School. the bottom of the Sleigh rests on top of the snow the runners not reaching the bottom Murk. Johny & I shovel the Snow off of Trinity Block work hard about all Day & leave almost one half still on it is too big a job.

Feb 2 Cloud and pleasant did not freeze much last night. Mark hauled Saw logs for Chessman. Johny & I worked in the Shop making tools swedges Sett hammer etc etc. Nora was out sleighing nearly all day. came home with one Sleigh shaft broken. thawed a very little where the Sun shone fair but will freeze considerable to night. Stacy Hunt buried to day. he was about 88 years of age when he died on the 31st of January 1878.

Feb 3 Clear & cold trees are beautifully decorated with frost this morning. I repaired the Sleigh made it much better than it ever was. at 2 Oclock we (Margaret Nora & Myself) took a ride out to see grandpap Dickinson he is very low indeed cannot last manydays. Lib Goucher (his Daughter) is with him so that all his children except Wm H is here and doubtless will remain with him. Sleighing never was better weather very pleasant.

Feb 4 Cloudy misty & chillytrees again decorated with frost. Shod "Betty". Bought tire & axles for the Pheaton I am making for Sis Done a little at the woodwork. Mark hauled coal. sun shone pleasant in afternoon but thawed none in the shade. Nora has gone to Jonas Cattells to Stay all night. his children came after her with the Sleigh. read the Truth Seeker it is rich in matters this week.

Feb 5 Clear & frosty sleighing as good as can be. Mark went up to Pats to day. Johny & I worked in the Shop about all Day. thawed a little in the Sunshine but no where else. got a letter from Brother Geo saying that William (My Brother) was poorly hope it is nothing serious. Settled with brown & Smith they owed me 30 15/100 Doll can have the money whenever I want it. went to Town in evening expecting a letter from the west but got none.

Feb 6 Clear & warmer but still frosty. Mark hauled coal. Johny & I Blacksmithed. Bough Lena a pair of Shoes cost one Dollar. thawed fast this afternoon. had a summons served on me by Deputy Sheriff notifying me to serve as a Pettit Juryman on a case of Murder. trial to commence on 25th of Present month.

Feb 7 Clear & warmer. worked in the Shop until noon. Mr. Gordon called took Dinner with us. chatted awhile when he & I went over to See Grandpap Dickinson he is still alive but very low. Mark hauled coal. thawed fast this afternoon. Julie took Old Charlie & the new Sleigh and sent out home as she calls it at Wm Hecklens in Hard Scrabble. got a letter from J E Jones of Vernon N Y with which I am much pleased. Nora is going to a Dance.

Feb 8 Cloudy & warmer. after breakfast went out to see Grandpap Dickinson found him much the Same. John Gordon met me there. we staid until eleven Oclock. I came to Town to look for a girl for Harriet. sent her word where I think she can get one. went to Town in afternoon. spliced a large rope for Sue Keen took me until Dark. Grandpap Dickinson died at 25 minutes past 4 PM retained his reason until the last moment aged 82 years 8 months 23 days has lived in Salem about 50 years.

Feb 9 Cloudy colder & Dull. roads are very icy this morning. Mark is going to haul coal for Stephen Adams to day. I spent the Day in making preparation for J F Dickinsons Funeral notifying the Pall bearers getting Funeral cars printed etc etc. is muddy by the close of Day having got warmer.

Feb 10 Cloudy & Dull rained some last night. at ½ past 11 Oclock we started to the Funeral of our Old and loved Friend J F Dickinson. the day is stormy with Snow from northwest but not very cold. quite a gathering of Friends notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather. he was provided with everything of the best quality as he deserved. was handsomely buried in a beautiful spot of his own Selection bought for him especially because it was his choice. John Gordon John Deming Angus Campbell Jesse Hise Isaac Crumrine and D H Hise were the Pall Bearers. Jesse Duck conducted the movement. everything passed off Smoothly harmonious and Satisfactorily. farewell Dear Friend years must roll away in almost countless numbers ere you are forgotten. peace be with you now and forever……

Feb 11 Cloudy & colder with more snow down this morning having good winter weather now. Mailed a letter to Sis. Mark & I took 50 bushels of Oats up to Brown & Smith got 30 cents per bushel for it. Johny & I Done what we could at the Spring Waggon but it is a little too cold to work outside of Shop. cleaned at one of the cellers under Trinity Block Crumrine having rented a part of it to Brown & Smith in which they are going to Store Eggs.

Feb 12 Cloudy with fine winter weather. Mark took a grist of wheat to mill. & hauled in some corn fodder. Johny & I worked in shop. snowed considerable to Day but not enough to make sleighing. took two small wagon wheels up to Sam Elton to get repaired.

Feb 13 Cloudy with moderate & nice winter weather. got letter last evening from Goly Hise saying his Father is very much better. I got out of bed to answer it and will mail it to him this morning. Mark & I hauled a load of brick to Add Corn. Mark hauled a load of coal for Sis Wait. I went with him as far as Eli Fawcetts where I dug some Sassifras for Tea. worked in shop in afternoon. thawed some.

Feb 14 Cloudy & warmer. worked in shop most of the Day. Margaret visited Harriet Arner. Mark hung our meat up to Smoke. I went over and brot Margaret home. Nora went with me from School. Harriet presented me with her Fathers cane the nicest one imaginable I prize it much both for and his Sake. got a letter from Brother Geo in which he says he can give me very little encouragement about Brother William which is nothing but what I expected. I have from the first felt fearful that the attack would prove fatal.

Feb 15 Cloudy with moderate winter weather. went to Town after breakfast by way of Jesse Ducks invited him & his wife to take Dinner with us but owing to previous engagement they could not do so. Harriet Arner her Brother David Dickinson her neice Jesse King and her Son Caleb Arner visited and spent the evening with us very agreeably to all parties. moon shone bright at 9 Oclock PM.

Feb 16 Cloudy and warmer. I spent the Day in Town Doing but little. got Stephen Adams to dig a well and dipt the water out of Mary Negus cellar. rained most of the afternoon but very moderately. Paid Jacob Hole 5 Dollars owe him 4 yet. Margaret got a letter from Ed Hise. I had a talk with Charles E Griffing an Old Anti Slavery Friend. he now lectures on Temperance but I take little interest in that movement.

Feb 17 Cloudy warm & wet. ½ soled my boots. feels and looks like Spring out of doors this morning. Geo Fleck came out to get paint & brick is going to repair rooms in Trinity Block. in afternoon I walked over to see & spend a few hours with Joshua Davis and old Friend of 50 years acquaintance. he is now past 76 sits in the House about all the time. is cheerful and full of Jokes. he is cared for and waited on by his Daughter Lydia who is famous for her kindness & amiability on her he depends (and receives) the kindest of treatment. found the walking bad so much water and soft snow. took Supper with them one has a poor chance of getting away from them without eating a bite first. was always just so.

Feb 18 Cloudy and cold snowed a little last night. took lumber & brick up to Mary Negus to wall up her cellar well. bought a new pump and got everything ready to commence operations when she changed her mind. concluded to buy the lot across which she wants to drain her cellar. authorized me to by it I accordingly commenced negotiations with Doctor Rush with a view to the purchase thereof. he will give me a definite answer on tomorrow. worked a little in the Shop. got a card from Ed Hise saying they thought William improving. Pat Lyon Jr is with us to night. is cold going to freeze hard.

Feb 19 Clear cold and frosty this morning ground froze solid but from appearances will thaw to day. worked in the Shop nothing that much can do. roads are sloppy enough.

Feb 20 Cloudy with a little rain last night. finishedour wagon and took it to Town to get Painted. Johny & I lathed some at the house on Foundry hill. got a card from Ed Hise saying his Mother is quite sick.

Feb 21 Cloudy warm & wet. Jake Lee came out to help cut up Bush trees in John Wetmores pasture lot. he & Mark sawed them up and got some of them split. Johny & I lathed at the building got along pretty well. rained considerable and is very muddy. got a letter from Goly Hise saying that William is very much better.

Feb 22 Cloudy and very wet having rained about all night. I am helping Geo Fleck to Paper one of the upstairs rooms in Trinity Block. Mark rendered out some tallow. Johny is Blacksmithing. roads could not be muddier than they are to day. got a Postal Card from Lisbon saying I need not serve as a Juryman on the 25th as expected as the Case is continued am glad of it. wind blows a gale from Southwest think it will be colder by morning.

Feb 23 Cloudy and dull a little cooler but not froze any. Geo & I finished papering the room by noon it looks first rate. Tip Dickinson came to town on 5 Oclock PM Train lives in Montana 500 miles from the Pacific Rail Road traveled by stage through Dust varying in Depth from one to three inches. have had no snow there this winter Says the farmers were sowing their wheat when he left home on the 8th instr. I walked out to Harriets after five Oclock to see him found him at the supper table sat down and broke bread with him. he has been absent from Salem about 14 years looks hale and hearty. got a letter from W G Wells of Wellsville Soliciting my influence in securing his nomination as Candidate for Probate Judge.

Feb 24 Cloudy with weather just the Same. blue birds have come and look plump an most beautiful. spent the day at home wrote a letter that I intend to send to John Goucher of Ravenna Ohio. dull all day.

Feb 25 Cloudy and some colder commenced snowing about daylight and kept it up all Day with some wind but Mark & Jake Lee worked out all Day splitting & setting up wood. I lathed at the house on Foundry hill. raods are about impassable.

Feb 26 Cloudy & dull. Mark & Jake are cutting wood Johny & I are still lathing getting along very well. got a letter from Abona Gilbert and a long one from Sis Hise. cleared off and sun shone very pleasant all the afternoon sett clear. thawed the road & made them some muddy. Julia has the tooth ache.

Feb 27 Clear & pleasant. Johny & I lath will soon be done. sugar water will run to day if the trees are bored. Johny & I got along fine. Stephen Jake & Mark are all at the wood. Charlie Griffing called.

Feb 28 Clear & pleasant as May. I finished lathing by noon. Mark & Johny hauled in the cornfodder. Tip Dickinson came out & took Dinner with us spent the afternoon with us. I went to Town with him spent an hour or so in D Crumrines Furniture Store. clear & Star light will freeze but little if any to night.

Mar 1 Clear & pleasant. I spent the entire Day with Tip Dikinson among the Machine Shops. Johny & Mark hauled hay for Mr. Kirk (our neighbor(in forenoon. in afternoon they pulled Stumps and hauled a load of Brick. roads are drying up fast.

Mar 2 Cloudy & Dull. Johny & I attempted to sift sand but it soon commenced raining and we were drive into the house where we still had a little work we could do. Mark hauled manure between showers from Town. Mrs. Smith (Flo Johnsons Mother) and her Sisters Mrs. McClenon visited us to Day. Mrs. Smith will return to Iowa in a couple of weeks.

Mar 3 Cloudy windy with a little rain last night. got up in good season walked down to Jacob McConners to hunt for my newspaper I lost out of my pocket supposing I had dropt it in his wagon as I rode out from Town with him but I had not. found in the street where

I had dropped after getting out of his wagon. the wind had blown it under the crossing and it was uninjured by the rain. spent the Day at home wrote 2 letters one to Wm Hise the other to Sis both of West Liberty Iowa. had no callers to Day.

Mar 4 Cloudy colder & stormy with wind inthe north. too stormy to take the Team out. I walked out to Tom Sharps Foundry had a talk with him about buying th South Side of our Farm think he will buy as it will let him out to the Road. Mark & Johny hauled a load of brick in afternoon. I & Margaret went up Town and executed a mortgage in favor of Doc R B Rush for 350 Dollars. Margaret went with me over on Foundry hill to see the property I am improving she had never Saw it before liked it quite well.

Mar 5 Clear & frosty I sifted Sand in forenoon. ordered 3 Barrels of lime & 3 bushels of hair. in afternoon I made it into mortar am tired in consequence as I write. Johny & Mark hauled Straw and pulled Stumps got the field about clear of them. sun shone pleasant all Day and thawed considerable.

Mar 6 Clear and warm froze none last night. Mark hauled Stone Brick & Straw. I sifted Sand and Done schores about Town. look like rain most of the afternoon.

Mar 7 Cloudy warm & dull with a little rain last night. dressed a mattock for Stephen Adams before breakfast. Phil Mathews is plasterning our hosue Johny & I attend him. Mark is plowing Sod for corn.

Mar 8 Clear warm & mild as may. I fear March is borrowing this fine weather of April & will pay her back in March legal tender (viz) rough cold weather. got the hosue first coated sand all sifted and grapevines adjusted and fixed up nice. Mark is plowing sod the mud is all dried up and roads rough & cloddy. got a letter from brother Wm he thinks he is getting well hope he is not mistaken.

Mar 9 Clear & very warm. Johny & I right up the lot on Foundry hill. Mark is plowing sod. Nora & Fan Hise took Doll & Buggy and are spending the day with Sister Una Sharpnack. in afternoon Johny & I sett the fence posts for Lot one. am tired when night comes.

Mar 10 Clear & warm as usual. after breakfast I got Mark to hitch Betty to the wagon and I went Down to Joshua Hilliards and got white Oak limbs of which to make a flower vase for Doc Harris. in afternoon Margaret & I go over to see grandmother Goulbourn took grandpap Barsley with us. got back in good time.

Mar 11 Cloudy with a very little rain. repaired the plow & Mark is using it. Johny & I attended the Plasterer. I worked at the fence between whiles. Harriet Arner called and took Dinner with us brot a Missoula Paper announcing the Death of Lamon Dickinson (Tips Son) in Frenchtown Montana. he died on the 19th of Feb of Scarlet Fever while his Father was on his way to Salem. Barsley Gilbert called out to see about getting a cistern built. took supper with us and chatted awhile.

Mar 12 Cloudy warm with a little rain about sunup. got up early fixed up the yard fence in rear of house that Lena may have a place to run without going into the Street. Johny & I worked up Town attending the Plasterer fencing garden etc. Mark plowed for Oats but at 4 Oclock PM commenced to rain. Magdaline & Emma Wilson visited us this afternoon but was gone home before I arrived from Town. I walked home in the rain got quite wet but had a good fire to come to and soon was Dry & comfortable. spent the evening in reading the "Truth Seeker".

Mar 13 Cloudy & wet. Mark boated some large Boulders up Town for corners for Pig pen I am going to build there. Johny & I put in our time tending Plasterer & making picket fence. Mark plowed Sod in afternoon. Rachel Campbell widow of Wm Campbell Died to day I have known her for 50 years as Rachel Welsh younges Daughter of Benjamin Welsh. She was born and raised 2 miles South of Salem. Drizzled rain a little in afternoon.

Mar 14 Cloudy & wet. Johny & I built hog pen between showers. Mark is Still plowing Sod. roads are sloppy. plastering too wet to finish. a little colder at sundown with raw wind.

Mar 15 Cloudy and still warm or at least not cold. Mark hauled Stone & manure for John Marshall Johny Blacksmithed while I waited on Plasterer. I had but little to do as he is skiming it as he calls it. roads dried considerable to Day.

Mar 16 Cloudy and dull grows gradually cooler as noon approaches. Phil is about Done the Plastering. Mark is hauling Manure. Julis has gone to Wm Hecklers to day.

Mar 17 Cloudy with little change in weather. worked at making a rustic basket for Doc Harris. Mark & I sowed cabbage seed. rained a little.

Mar 18 Cloudy & some colder but not freezing any. hauled the trash from Foundry hill to Brickyard. sett Jacob Lee to digging cellar Drain for Mary Negus. Johny & I are carpentering at the house now that the Plastering is done.

Mar 19 Cloudy with no change of weather to note. Johny & Jo Gibbons hauled brick out of the Shed. Mark hauled manure & I put in cellar drain for Mary Negus. Isiah Beans barn burned last night insured for 550 Dollars all it was worth.

Mar 20 Clear & cool with white frost. hung the gates on Foundry hill lot. Johny & Joe hauling out brick. Mark is hauling manure on the Potatoe patch. Margaret is up Spending the Day with Fan Hise She Starts for iowa this evening. I commenced a platform at back door. at 4 Oclock dropt my tools and went to Depot and Saw Fan off for Iowa. hosts of her Female friends were there to bid her goodbye & see her Safe on board the Cars. She looked cheerful and happy the last glimpse I got of her as the Cars moved out. cool at sundown.

Mar 21 Clear at Daylight but soon clouded up and threatened rain but at 11 Oclock commenced snowing moderately. I got my platform completed in time to get into the house to work where there was no Snow to interfere with me. Mark is plowing sod Johny & Joe hauling out Brick. got a letter from Sis Hise all well.

Mar 22 Cloudy & cool with dense fog. carpentered all day am getting along well. Johny dug post holes in forenoon. in afternoon he went to School. Mark is plowing. cleared off and is very pleasant. in afternoon bought some nails 6 and 4 D.

Mar 23 Clear & very pleasant. Mark sowed Oats & Johny harrowed it in. I carpentered getting nearly ready to paint. put the Sink in place with outlet for waste water complete.

Mar 24 Cloudy cold and stormy from northwest snowing fast at times. Stuck close to the house all Day. amused myself by whitling a pair of Ox heads made a yoke and yoked them up they look well. toward evening I wrote Sis a letter in which I enclosed a pencil sketch of the rustic flower basket I made for John Harris.

Mar 25 Cloudy & cold with one inch of snow on the ground. Mark & I hauled a couple of sawlogs the first thing after breakfast. I then went out to See Thos Sharp about buying a piece of my land think he will. came home by Philip Evans gave Jonathan the Oxen I carved on yesterday. in afternoon Johny & I worked up Town hanging Doors etc. cold all Day will freeze hard to night.

Mar 26 Cloudy and moderated some no Snow this morning. Johny Painted at the new rooms up town I finished the Carpenterwork. Mark chopped down 3 trees where we intend to plant corn. cold rain toward evening. Paid Julia 2 Dollars.

Mar 27 Cloudy & wet having rained a little last night but soon moderated down and was warm & pleasant most of the day. Johny & I painted at the house. at 4 Oclock commenced to rain and heavy thunder one sever clap. Mark took grist of Corn & Oats to mill for hog feed.

Mar 28 Cloudy and moderate. Mark brot the grist home after which he & I loaded on all the rubbish left after repairing the house on Foundry hill and huge pile there is of it. in afternoon we all worked at building a hog shelter in a lot for the Sow to run in made her a splendid place. rained some in afternoon. Margaret & Nora visited at grandmother Goulbourns had Old Charlie & buggy.

Mar 29 Clear & fine this morning. Insured our hosue & Barn in Ohio Farms Insurance Co for 2000 Dollars for five years at a cost of 19 Dollars payable Sept 1st 1878. Mark & I are getting land ready to plow Down by Sharps Mill. Johny is Painting up Town. Mary Cattell called out Took tea and she & Nora are up Town to a Taffie pulling at Mrs. Bryans. ground dried fast to Day.

Mar 30 Cloudy & cool air. worked at improving the lane Door yard. trimmed trees burned brush etc etc. rained some in afterpart of Day. roads bad. Blacksmithed some.

Mar 31 Cloudy & raw rained off and on most of the day. I finished the moddle I commenced a day or two since for a monument I expect to have made of Massilon Stone for myself. if made by moddle it will be 4 feet square at the base & 14 feet 4 inches in height. will weigh about 5 tons I suppose. made a Pig trough & Done some other schores to wile away the time.

Apr 1 Cloudy and moderate. worked up Town. Mark hauled one load of goods for Jo Brown who moved into our hosue on Foundry hill. in afternoon he & I put in 2 hitching Posts for John Street. Election to Day for Mayor & other Town officers. I took but little part in it not caring particularly who is elected either of the parties are honest & capable.

Apr 2 Clear & pleasant. Done Schores up Town. Johny worked in shop. Mark haulked hay for Kirk (our neighbor). Joseph Fountain Elected by 155 Majority. mud is drying up fast to Day.

Apr 3 Clear & pleasant. got up at 5 made horse nails before breakfast. Johny shod Charlie. he & I took lumber up Town got it surfaced and took it up to Geo Martins he is going to put up a case for Crumrine & Duck with glass Doors in which to sett fancy Burial Cases. Mark is plowing for Oats. Johny & haul brick.

Apr 4 Clear & warm. Johny & Mark work at putting in our Oats. I spend the Day in Town doing what I can to help things along. mud has dried up fast to day leaving the rods rough. is cooler at sunset.

Apr 5 Clear & cool with Some frost. Mark & Johny finished the Oats. I papered the Bed room up Town did not get it quite finished will try to finishit in the morning. at sunset is warm cloudy & threatens rain.

Apr 6 Cloudy & cold with a very little rain last night. I finished papering the room. Johny dug post holes Mark rolled the wheat in forenoon. in afternoon he & I hauled brick lumber & Plowed Joe Browns garden. cold and raw all Day. Belle Miller is with us this afternoon is going to tarry with us all night.

Apr 7 Clear with some frost but is soon warm enough. shod Dolly & Betty. read Truth Seeker & slept enjoying the Day very much. Wm Morris called in & spent a couple of hours with us very pleasantly indeed.

Apr 8 Clear & warm. Mark plowed for John Wetmore in forenoon. I assisted the Carpenters at Trinity Block. Johny stripped casing off the Kiln. Sam Gibbons is arting Stone off the meadow. in afternoon Mark & Johny opened the new Brick Kiln by hauling out a few loads of Soft brick. Hannah Barsley called a few minutes about 8 Oclock PM. I was in bed and asleep & new nothing about it.

Apr 9 Cloudy with a very little rain. churned before eating. Mark is rolling our meadow. Johny & are busy up town painting attending Brickyard etc. cleared off and at noon is pleasant. got the flue up and it draws splendid. looks like rain at sundown. Arthur McMillen sold their old brown Horse for 52 ½ Dollars he is old & lame.

Apr 10 Cloudy & warm. Mark is hauling manure into the garden. Johny & I haul brick in forenoon. Paid Geo Fleck ten Dollars and Jacob Hole four Dollars.

Apr 11 Cloudy & cool. made some garden sett out onions planted parsnips beets etc. Johny & Mark planted early Potatoes I spent the day in Town doing but little. had a long talk with Thomas Sharp about the land of mine that he is using. want him to buy it but doubt if he does so.

Apr 12 Cloudy & partially clear through the day with cold wind but not unpleasant to work. Mark & Johny cleared off new Potatoe patch. I done schores up Town. Margaret was over to see Mother Goulbourn she is well as usual. Nora got a letter from Fan Hise who is now in Iowa.

Apr 13 Clear & pleasant. Spaded some in garden before breakfast. Mark is some amiss will lay by to day. settled with Lavern Silver he owed and paid me 22 40/100 Doll. paid Thomas Wilson 15 Dollars & Geo Fleck 5 D. helped Geo Fleck paper second Story rooms in Trinity Block. Jesse Duck & Daniel Crumrine is at the expense. got a letter from Sis & Ed. sent 3 Dollars P O order to Truth Seeker 141 8th Street New York. Wm Tweed the great New York Swindler Died at 12 Oclock on yesterday.

Apr 14 Clear & pleasant. got up in good time and after breakfast went up to Trinity Block and helped Geo Fleck paper we got all Done up nicely. I took Dinner with George although I had taken my own up but he had made arrangements to have me eat with him and I done so. Mark was up to See Pat to Day brot Julia home from Scrabble where Nora took her on yesterday.

Apr 15 Cloudy & cool. hauling Sand and Brick. roads are excellent. Benj Hilman paid me 3 Dollars for Oats. bought some white fish cost 1.10 cts for 15 lb. not very cheap but want a change of diet.

Apr 16 Clear & pleasant. Johny & I repaired the plow burnt brush & Stumps in forenoon. Mark is Plowing for Stephen Adams. in afternoon Johny & I sett Posts. mark finished Stevens job.

Apr 17 Clear & pleasant as can be. Mark plowed mrs Warrens lot & hauled a load of Sand for Wm Umpsted. Johny cut some sod. I spent the forenoon in Town Sold the Perry Stove Co 45000 Brick at 5 75/100 Dollars per M. in afternoon Johny & I helped plant Posts at the brickyard. Mark plowed the lane want some of the dirt in front Door yard.

Apr 18 Clear & warm. Johny & I still at the Brickyard making fence. Mark is Plowing potatoe patch new ground. Wm Umpsted Paid me 11 65/100 Doll for Brick & Sand. I Paid Robt Justice 10 Dollars.

Apr 19 Cloudy warm and dry. threatens rain but none falls. hauling brick with both teams to day out to Richard Fawcetts new house on Ellsworth Street. I help load and open ditch between whiles to Drain brickyard lot.

Apr 20 Cloudy with a little rain last night. Johny & I haul brick in forenoon. in afternoon wheel Dirt into Dooryard. Mark is Plowing for Chessman. threatens rain but none comes. Mark hauled a load of Sand for Harriet Arner.

Apr 21 Clear & pleasant. Shod 4 of our Horses. worked hard until about 11 Oclock. John Deming called and took Dinner with us and toward evening Angelina his wife met him here and we had a pleasant little visit. they Stayed took tea & spent the evening with us.

Apr 22 Cloudy & much cooler this morning. got up at 5 and helped Mark get the wagon ready to haul Dirt. Johny repaired the brick shed while I leveled the dirt. they are Jerking it down with 3 teams. rained a shower at 7 Oclock but soon Dried off. heavy rain at 4 ½ Oclock PM. lightning struck Stanton Poplar.

Apr 23 Cloudy cool & pleasant vegetation looks luxuriant this morning. got up at 5 & churned. got one horse wagon in readiness to hitch to. am jotting it down for pastime. do not want to haul dirt to day. must fix up fences and turn our cattle out. I leveled dirt all day. Mark hauled in afternoon getting lots of dirt. very warm fine growing weather as can be. am pretty tired will go to bed early.

Apr 24 Cloudy and dull. hauled dirt until about 11 Oclock when a severe wind rain and hail Storm arose from the Southwest. Blowed the fruit Packing house of McNab Down in which Joe Koll had stored 4000 bushels of Oats. Injured several roofs & chimneys in the Southwest quarter of Town & blew down Richard B Fawcetts new house that was but just raised and the chimneys half way up. tore my Bricksheds all to pieces we had kjust repaired the damage done them by heavy Snow last winter. Mark got caught on Main Street with the Team was forced to take them by the bit to prevent them getting away from him. of course he was ringing wet when the Storm abated. we all came home in the rain put on dry clothes and sat by the fire to our hearts content. I washed and greased my Boots ready for the mud tomorrow. go early to bed.

Apr 25 Clear & most delightful this morning. Put on my new Pantaloons that Margaret has just made for me they seem to fit nice. done a little repairing at the brick sheds adjusted some of the poles and gathered up to the Boards. 2 teams are hauling Dirt but was too wet to put my team in until afternoon. Mailed a letter to Sis & Ed Hise. at noon as I write the weather is very pleasant. rained in afternoon is wet now.

Apr 26 Cloudy & wet drizzling rain at 6 Oclock AM. Johny & I leveled dirt worked hard all Day. Mark hauled. got a letter from Sis Hise. threatened rain all day but none fell to prevent our working.

Apr 27 Cloudy & Dull but no rain. got lots of Dirt in our lot to Day. hired Stephen Adams and Dave Lee to shovel Dirt as I was too tired & Johny had to haul Brick. Paid Geo Fleck 5 Dollars and paid off all the hands that worked for me this week and have a little change left.

Apr 28 Cloudy with a little rain last night. repaired harness until noon when it commenced raining and as I write is raining quite a shower cloudy and dull all the afternoon. Nora expected company but the wet I presume prevented them coming. read Junius unmasked it is very entertaining.

Apr 29 Cloudy Dull & wet is raining as I write at 6 AM. do not know what we can do to day. I made platform and steps for back Door at Trinity Block worked hard all day Mark helped me what he could in afternoon. Johny hauled some cinder out of alley & a few brick. rained a little most of the Day.

Apr 30 Cloudy & Dull. got up in good season and brot up the Cows after which I prepared a scaffold 12 feet high from the top of which the Artist intends taking a Picture of our Home & Family as soon as the atmosphere is clear enough. did not clear off so we went to hauling dirt.

May 1 Cloudy & warm at ½ past 7 I brot the artist out we had to tear our Scaffolding all down and move further South but by 10 Oclock we got everything ready and got a good picture. sun Shone out just right to make it as he wanted it. Mary Sheets 83 years Old is buried to day. she was a native of New Jersey but has lived in Salem a number of years. hauled dirt in afternoon. Still threatens rain is warm and cloudy at sunset. go early to bed cannot read to night.

May 2 Cloudy & warm no rain here last night but looks amazingly like it this morning. cleared off and is very fine all Day. hauled dirt. Johny & I put on the Big Shed. Johny hauled one load of Brick.

May 3 Cloudy and very pleasant. Johny & Nora is at a School Pic Nic to Day and a beautiful day they are having no hot Sun and a very pleasant breeze from Southwest. Mark is Still hauling dirt. I am helping unload a leveling it down. Thomas's commenced pasturing their Cow here this morning. took Cherry to Sharps. clouded up in northwest and at 4 PM commenced to rain and as I write ½ past 5 is at it still. is cool & Damp. I have just made a fire in our Bed room to keep it comfortable. the Children have not got home from the PicNic suppose they are in Town. came home wet.

May 4 Cloudy & cool. got up in season & churned before going for the cows. dull done

but little in forenoon but in afternoon hauled Brick with 2 teams. in forenoon Johny & I made the tire for Ladies Pheaton that I am making for Sis made them at Henry Judds. brot them home and will put them on when convenient.

May 5 Cloudy & Dull. repaired hames for Mark. heat our tire &n put them on. Pat Lyon came down & castrated our Calves & Hog. Albert Silver & his son Otis called out and Sat awhile with us. the latter took Dinner & stayed the afternoon. rained off and on all Day ground is very wet. grass is growing to excess.

May 6 Clear & fine out of doors this morning. got up & churned before breakfast. brot the Cows and am now wiling away the time by writing it down. Mark hauled Dirt Johny hauled brick. John Jones called and took Supper with us he is on the Rail Road. cool & cloudy but I am in hopes it will not rain for a day or two.

May 7 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up. we all hands hauled brick to Day. I repaired Stephen Adams pump between whiles. rained some at 6 Oclock PM and as I write at 7 threatens a big rain. we are bound to be late with our corn planting the ground is so wet we cannot harrow it.

May 8 Cloudy & wet having rained some last night. hauled brick with both teams in forenoon. in afternoon Mark Plowed small patch for sweet corn & harrowed potatoe patch but is still dull & damp. must try and get crops in some way. took Lade (Nobby) to Tom Sharps. sprinkling rain at 6 Oclock PM.

May 9 Clear with very heavy dew. Mark harrowed corn ground. Johny & I hauled brick. quite windy a part of the Day. ground Dried fast. is cool at sunset should the wind fall we shall have a frost.

May 10 Clear at sunrise cool but no frost with us. churned before 5 Oclock. Theodore Lee is helping Mark to get the corn ground ready to plant. Johny & are hauling brick. cloudy & cold at noon cold rains gone north. snowed a little in Town but as I write is about cleared off. Margaret has a fire in our bedroom and it is comfortable.

May 11 Cloudy cold and blustering snowed a little at 5 Oclock this morning but not enough to show on the ground. planted our corn got it done by 4 Oclock. cold all day but ground was in good order. I spent the day in Town doing but little. was told by Barclay Gilbert that his cousin Abona was married. moderated a little toward evening. if it keeps cloudy we may escape a frost.

May 12 Cloudy & cold but no frost. worked some at a pair of Brickmolds. spent the Day at home. John Deming and Uncle Silas called an spent some time with us Mary Negus also called a few minutes. cold all Day.

May 13 Clear at sunrise with some frost in low places. Mark rolled the corn field & planted sweet corn by the Barn. Johny & I hauld Brick. cool all Day. Stephen Adams

helped me fill the old pond got it into pretty good shape. cool at sunset but has moderated down considerable.

May 14 Cloudy & cool with some frost in low spots. churned and repaired our Plow before breakfast. Johny & I hauled brick until noon. in afternoon worked at fence in front of 3 cornered piece. Mark Plowed for Chessman in forenoon. in afternoon Plowed for Potatoes at home and worked our early ones.

May 15 Cloudy and dull in the extreme. Johny & I haul brick. Mark plants potatoes. cold and raw all day with wind in northwest. got a letter from Sis & Ed.

May 16 Cloudy at sunrise with considerable frost. got up in good season brot the Cows and wrote a letter to sis Hise before breakfast. Johny & I haul brick Mark finished our planting is now ready for something else. Margaret & Nora over to Grandmothers.

May 17 Cloudy & very much warmer. planted some peas helped haul brick all Day. commenced at noon to haul brick to Robt Hole. traded for a lot in Tolertons & Englands Edition pay him 400 Dollars for it in brick 200 Dollars worth this Season & 200 Dollars worth next season. Paid a big price for the lot but it is a nice one 100 feet front 200 feet deep.

May 18 Clear & pleasant. churned and made fence before breakfast. Mark & I are hauling brick Johny is getting the yard in order for making brick. Nora took Julia to Whinneys.

May 19 Cloudy & cool. turned our calves out finished the brick molds Done various little schores. read Truth Seeker & Voltaire. Julia is not back as she promised.

May 20 Cloudy & wet had a fine rain last night. got up early & churned brot the Cows & read Voltaire until breakfast. Mark & I went to Town hauled one load of Brick to Perry Stone Co then came home. sawed Down a large white Oak tree that stood close to the mill. cut 3 nice Saw logs off it. cut the two into wood piled the brush all up snug by noon. tired both of us considerable neither of us as stout as we were 20 years ago when he worked for me. cleared off and at noon is as pleasant as one could wish. in afternoon we hauled brick & Sand. rained at 6 oclock PM. repaired our furnace that had got out of order.

May 21 Cloudy & cool but soon cleared off was pleasant all Day. Mark & I haul brick Johny getting things ready to make brick is too cold yet. I fear a frost to night.

May 22 Clear & fine with no frost. hauled brick in forenoon. Johny is about ready to make brick at noon as I write. Johny made one row of Brick. Mark hauled 2 loads of Sand.

May 23 Clear & cool but no frost. got up and churned before sunrise. brot the cows &

finished my mantlepeice. took it up Town nailed it up & painted it. Mark & I haul brick. Johny & his gang are making brick getting along pretty well. is warm & pleasant at noon.

May 24 Cloudy warm with a fine shower of Rain in the night. cleared out and repaired brik shed in forenoon. in afternoon hauled brick. Johny molded some 1500. cleared off about noon and was very warm.

May 25 Cloudy cool and pleasant. Mark hauled 2 loads of sand to Mary Negus and one load of Brick. got her house raised. making brick to Day. hauled Brick to Hole in afternoon. Abigal Hutchinson of Nebraska visited us she is an old acquaintance.

May 26 Clear at sunrise. got up in good season done a churning. Mark & I made the Stable chicken proof they had become a nuesance by flying into the horse mangers and eating the feed from the Horses. finished the lute that I had commenced a few Days since. in afternoon Mark & I drove out to Tom Wilsons to see the wood he wants to sell me it is worth it to haul it. after returning we fixed up the chicken pen will have to shut them all up or have no corn. they have already taken the sweet corn up clean.

May 27 Clear & pleasant. got up at ½ past 3 walked down to Fred Noosebaums and gave him instruction what to do in my absence. Mark & replanted our sweet corn. hauled one load of brick & 1 of stone in forenoon. cleaned the cellar put on brick shed hauled a load of brick & 1 of Stone. made 3000 brick. rained some.

May 28 Clear & pleasant. Got up at 4 Oclock & hoed in the garden until time to bring the cows. Got an early breakfast and went to brickyard had a load of Brick on the waggon by 7 Oclock in something of a hurry. Got along fine hauled Brick Stone & sand. Johny made 4000 good brick got done early. Clear & cool at sundown.

May 29 Cloudy & warmer this morning. Mark & I shovel plowed the garden to kill the weeds. Want to sett out cabbage the first shower. Hauled sand Stone & Brick in forenoon. In afternoon tore Down butmant & took casing off of North end of Kiln. Johny made his 4000 Brick. Cloudy & cool threatens rain but none falls. Got a letter from John Hise of Adair Iowa.

May 30 Cloudy & wet rained until 10 Oclock cleared and died off. had fine time for Decoration large crowd. Cantata in evening in big house. Blacksmithed some spent the evening in town.

May 31 Clear & cool pleasant. hauling Brick. churned faced fence posts etc etc. traded Tom Wilson my Spring wagon for 45 cords of wood am to haul it myself. hard bargain as the wood is 4 miles away. made brick in afternoon.

Jun 1 Clear & pleasant. transplanted beets. got a letter last evening from Ed Hise. Mark & I hauled rails made cross fence in Front meadow hauled fence boards from Sawmill a load of Brick to Robt Hole and plank to make a crossing over which to haul dirt into clay

hole. Paid all the hands a little money.

Jun 2 Clear & fine. got up in good time Ironed the new axletree & puit it into the the one horse wagon. repaired the lock shod Betty wrote a letter to Ed Hise etc etc. was busy all day.

Jun 3 Clear & warm. got up at 4 hewed fence posts & brot the cows before breakfast. hauled brick with Betty Mark working corn. Mary Gee started for Iowa at 4 30 PM. had a good shower about 2 Oclock.

Jun 4 Clear & warm. got up and churned finished as the clock struck 4. hewed Posts brot the cows greased the wagon etc etc before breakfast. hauled brick and Sand. brot glass from Depot freight 65 cents. Mark is working the corn Johny is making brick so that we are all busy.

Jun 5 Cloudy & cold with howling wind last night. hewed posts until breakfast. hauled brick. cleared off and is pleasant in sunshine but the air is cool. got the Mayor (Joseph Fountain to write an excuse for me to the Probate Judge I have been selected as a Juryman and have not time to serve. I fear a frost.

Jun 6 Clear & cool but no frost with us. went to Lisbon as a Juryman but got excused and came back as far as Tim Gees by noon. got Dinner fed Dolly brot Margaret home with me. spent the afternoon in Town at work.

Jun 7 Clear & warm. got up at 4 & churned hewed posts made new handle for Broad Axe before breakfast. hauling Dirt filling up Pond in forenoon have Joe Mills helping me. hauled brick in afternoon.

Jun 8 Cloudy & wet rained since 3 Oclock. got up at 5 went to clearing brot home and set out 2 hundred cabbage plants before breakfast. took Team up Town intending to haul brick to cistern but found it badly caved in. will take a day or two to get it ready for walling. sett a few bricks but spent most of the Dayabout Town. too wet to work out most of the Day about Town. too wet to work out at anything. Mark sett out 111 more cabbage plants this afternoon. bought and brot home 8 quarts of strawberries cost but 50 cents. helped Margaret stem them ready for a dish tomorrow.

Jun 9 Clear & pleasant. wrote Sis Hise a letter wrote a short one to John Hise also both of Iowa. Mark & I repaired line fence. John Gordon called out a short time invited Margaret & I out to his place on Tuesday next must try and find time to go. threatens rain at sunset. go early to bed.

Jun 10 Cloudy & wet having rained good part of the night. set out a few more Tomatoe plants have about all done now. planed out a nice cane that I intend finisheing & sanding to Brother George of West Liberty Iowa. presented my Brick bill to Perry Stone Co they gave me a check for one hundred Dollars. I left it on Deposit at Farmers National. rained

all the forenoon. Spent the afternoon that was wet in Town could do but little. Firman Gee paid me 7 50/100 Doll for Oats. John Yengling paid me 3 dollars owes me a like sum yet. I paid Mrs Kirtland 2 ½ dollars for her Son Joe.

Jun 12 Clear & cool but soon clouded up has not rained at noon but looks like it might. made no brick in forenoon having no temperer. Mark hauled 2 loads of brick and done a little plowing where we are grading at the brickyard. hauled dirt & one load of Brick in afternoon. got Jacob McConner to kill "Old Mike" he cannot stand up any more. we have helped him up repeatedly but he cannot Stand and to put an end to his Suffering I have tho very reluctantly asked McConner to put an end to him the quickest way possible. I bought him of John Carson Aug 24th 1855 he was then past 4 years old.

Jun 13 Clear & cool. hauled Brick and dirt filling up the Pond. got Joe Mills & Stephen Adams to burry "Old Mike" that is the best I could do for him. have his Tail for a fly brush. Margaret & Nora is up Town to night at a School exhibition.

Jun 14 Clear & cool. churned at 4 Oclock. Mark & I hauld Brick all Day getting along well with the cistern.

Jun 15 Clear & cool. Johny got up at 3 Oclock to make brick. I got up at 4 & churned. carved head for Cane. Mark & I hauled Brick in forenoon in afternoon dirt from Barcley Gilberts. I am making hima cistern. got the brick all up & covered.

Jun 16 Clear & warm. Mark is up at Pats to day. I hoed in garden made hills wherein Margaret planted cucumber seed. finished brother Georges cane. at 3 Oclock PM it commenced to rain and more water fell than has fallen for the last 3 months all put together. Mark could not get home.

Jun 17 Cloudy and wet enough this morning. got up early gave the Horses some hay. made a fire in the Stove & write this before sunrise. Mark got home early hauled board & brick. I went to Lisbon & paid my Tax. Barcley Gilbert went with me.

Jun 18 Clear & fine this morning. got up at 4 and churned hauled sand & Brick Tile & cement for Gilberts cistern. Fred Noosebaum commenced to build in the brick at noon. got along fine. Mark hauled Brick to Cistern.

Jun 19 Clear & pleasant.. got up at break of day unloaded brick & piled up Sand along the road ready to haul. Mark & I hauled brick until noon. in afternoon Mark went into cornfield. I hauled a few brick with one horse.

Jun 20 Clear & warm. got up early made filter for Gilberts cistern. spent the forenoon at the cistern got it completed and think it a very nice one. Mark is working corn.

Jun 21 Cloudy & wet rained ½ past 3 this morning. I sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon hauled 2 load of brick and then whittled out a Toy horse for little grandson in Iowa tough

hickory one that he cannot break. Mark is working corn Johny making brick. clouded up and is raining a 7 Oclock PM.

Jun 22 Cloudy & Dull with heavy mist fallingat 7 Oclock too wet to make brick to day. spent the Day in Town. Barcley Gilbert Paid me for his cistern 33 Dollars & 60 cents just about one dollar per barrel. collected some money. got John Feasler to cut my Skylight glass he done it to perfection. rained moderately all day but Mark dressed up the Potatoes & sweet corn.

Jun 23 Cloudy cool & wet drizzling rain as it did on yesterday. made a fire in our bedroom it is so damp. wrote letters to brothers William George Ed & Sis Hise 4 in all. Margaret & Nora are over to Grandmothers for the last time before going west. so cool & damp I cling to the fire all day. Margaret & Nora got back early and I went early to bed. wet all day cool all day.

Jun 24 Cloudy but soon cleared off. I put in skylight Mark hauled Brick & Dirt. Bought Nora & Mother a Trunk cost 9 Dollars. bought Nora & Sis & her baby each a pair of nice shoes. bought Sis a bolt of good muslin and her baby a nice dress getting things ready for Nora & Mother to start to Iowa on the morrow. ground dried very fast to day Mark can get I the corn again tomorrow. Mrs Warner is here going to assist in house keeping in Margarets absence.

Jun 25 Clear & pleasant. got up at 4 Oclock & churned. beautiful out of doors this morning. hauled a few brick in forenoon. in afternoon drew a little money from Perry Stove Co bought Tickets for Margaret & Nora at 4 30/100 they were off for West Liberty. I shall be lonesome without them but must make the Sacrafice on Sis's account. She will be overjoyed at seeing her mother for she knows nothing of her coming. warm all Day. Mark has the corn all worked is now clean.

Jun 26 Clear & warm. got up at 5 Done no work before breakfast. sett brick all Day Wm Turner helps me. Mark finished working the potatoes hauled a load of Sand & one of brick. Johny made 4000 brick. bought a little Soap.

Jun 27 Clear & warm. hoed some in garden before breakfast. sett brick in forenoon. sweep broke directly after dinner had to put a new one on had one ready made. rained so that they could make no brick in afternoon they lost no time by the sweep breaking. Mark is working on the roads. lightning struck at the Buckeye do not know extent of the damage done.

Jun 28 Clear & warm with heavy dew. clouded up and rained at 11 Oclock. Mark is working roads Johny making & I setting brick get along slow making.

Jun 29 Clear & warm. picked berries before breakfast. sett brick. got a letter from Margaret & one from Geo Hise they are all well. very warm indeed.

Jun 30 Clear & very warm not a breath of air stirring. poled our Lima beans mowed a little in door yard. laid round most of the day. was over to see Mother Goulbourn a short time in the morning. wrote a letter to Margaret. very warm all Day. (Brother John died at Wm Hises West Liberty Iowa).

Jul 1 Clear & warm. sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon hauled Brick Mark mowed 3 acres for benj Hilman and 2 acres for Kirk the latter down at Joe Hilliards clover & rough ground. Paid Edward Bonsall 50 Dollars for wood. made brick in afternoon.

Jul 2 Clear & warm. hooped my wagon wheel before breakfast one that Sam Elton filled for me. sett brick. Johny made 4500 to Day Mark hauled Sand and manure in forenoon. in afternoon is working corn. got 2 letters from Iowa one from Margaret & one from Brother William both announcing the Sudden Death of Brother John. he died at Williams on Sunday morning June 30th at ¼ before 7 Oclock. only came there from his home in Adair Iowa on Saturday evening said he did not feel right well nor seriously amiss. got up at Six on Sunday morning and in a few minutes was a corpse. he was Born in New Jersey August 26th 1809 consequently was almost 69 years of age. he only quit work Saturday morning (harness maker) to which he served his time here in Salem 54 years ago.

Jul 3 Clear & very warm. got up early and wrote a hurried letter to Margaret in response to one I received from her last evening. Mark is hauling hay for Kirk I am Setting and Johny making brick.

Jul 4 Cloudy & foggy. will go to Town & perhaps to Alliance. took Cars at 9 ½ called on Peter Heitman took dinner. from there to Main Street witnessed the Lady walking. went to Ridgeway Haines took Supper spent the evening came home at 11 Oclock.

Jul 5 Cloudy & foggy but soon cleared off and is very warm. I sett brick collected rent and Paid Doc Rush 118 82/100 Dollars lifted a note for that amount. Mark is working corn made no brick to Day. got a letter from Nora they had their Pic Nic on the fourth at Pike Run 9 miles from West Liberty Iowa.

Jul 6 Clear & warm. got up in good season and churned. bot 79 cts worth of Beef first I have bot this spring. went up Town for a barrel of Salt in loading it got my finger badly smashed. can sett no brick to Day but Johny took my place and Allen Hise molded so we got along somehow. Mark is working corn.

Jul 7 Clear & very warm all Day. bot ice of Wm Allen and made ice cream had more than we could eat. wrote some letters and read spicy Truth Seeker tracts. threatens rain at dark but none fell before 9 Oclock at which time I retire.

Jul 8 Cloudy & some cooler having rained a little but night cooled the air considerable. must try and sett a few brick to Day. rained a little at ½ past 11 Oclock. made a few brick cleaned away the brickbats from around our Kiln. Mark & I put on one row of boards on front fence. by that time the Sun was about down.

Jul 9 Cloudy & partially clear pleasant breeze. Jake Lee is cutting our wheat. Mark mowed the field below the Barn in forenoon. I took 43 bushels of oats up to Wm Hinchcliffe brot a grist of flour home. sold Stephen Adams one hundred pounds gathered sheaves & shocked up wheat. Blacksmithed in afternoon got very tired. Mark & I cooked up our hay. got a letter from Margaret.

Jul 10 Clear & warm. Mark mowed for Kirk in forenoon I Blacksmithed. Johny gathered sheaves & he & I shocked up 32 shocks. hauled in our hay in afternoon. had a nice shower at 1 Oclock soon dried off.

Jul 11 Clear & warm. Geo Ruggy's stable burned at 10 Oclock last night. I walked up as far as Wm Kolls where I learned what it was that was burning. when I returned and went to bed slept until daylight which is unusual with me. repaired our Fence the cows having got into our nice Oats field last night. Mark is finishing Kirks mowing this morning is very warm and close. I spent forepart of the day in Town. bought a Bent wood churn cost 6.00 and a pair of fly nets for the Horses cost 4.00. shod Black Charlie. Mark & Johny got Kirks hay up in cock. sold Eggs bought coffee etc etc.

Jul 12 Cloudy & wet big rain about daylight. made a fork handle finished our hay rake made fence etc etc. rained a little in aftrnoon. got new elbow for stove pipe. got a postal card from Peter Heitman. will send a load of Sand to Buckeye soon.

Jul 13 Cloudy & foggy out this morning but looks as though it might clear up after awhile. Mark & Johny is getting in Kirks hay I loaded brick. sold 3 or 4 thousand hard ones to Jonas Stanley Six Dollars at the Kiln. Lena is poorly to Day Julia got her new teeth. got a letter form Nora they were going to Washington Friday 12th.

Jul 14 Clear & fine this morning as can be. sett about the house most of the Day. repaired pavement and cistern pump. toward evening I wrote Margaret a letter went over to Jont Evans took Supper walked home. go early to bed.

Jul 15 Cloudy & foggy but soon cleared off and is warm. Mark is mowing cut 2 ½ acres for John Wetmore then went into our own. I blacksmithed in forenoon and spent most of the afternoon working on our new rake could not operate right. got none of our hay up in consequence.

Jul 16 Clear & warm. feel some better this morning but shall not work much to day. Julia has trouble to milk the Cows the flies torment them so much. Mark is going to mow for Benj Hilman this forenoon. Johny & Sam got the hay all ready to haul in and Mark got home in time to haul one load before dinner. I went out after dinner to cock some up but soon gave out it is too warm for me as my health is now. wrote a letter to Nora.

Jul 17 Clear & very warm. Mark mowed biggest part of another meadow this forenoon then turned in & hauled hay got along fine. brot the Organ belonging to the Broad gauge

church home. thought we had as well use a little and take care of it as to have it sitting there in the dust & dirt. got a letter from Margaret she is at Washington she & Nora all right tho having very warm weather. Julia plays the Organ.

Jul 18 Clear & warm. wrote Margaret a letter. we are hauling in the wheat this morning as it is fine condition got it all in and one load of hay. clouded up and rained a good shower at 5 Oclock PM. we were glad to get to rest. got a letter from Ed & Sis and a card from Sy Firestone of New Lisbon.

Jul 19 Cloudy & warm. wrote Ed & Sis a letter sent a card to S J Firestone. Mark is mowing until 10 Oclock when we must haul hay. got another meadow in to Day. I attended the Funeral of Levi Straghleys grand son at 4 Oclock PM. fine breeze this afternoon. cut our Oats.

Jul 20 Clear & warm. got up at 4 Oclock & churned got soft butter. must try and collect some money to day a job I dread but I got what will do me for a week or two by being saving. went out to See Hal Arner she is poorly. got all the hay in cock that is not in the barn. in evening Julia & I went over to see grandmother Goulbourn met Barbay Shaw whom I had not Saw for 30 years. rained a little but not enough to stop the men.

Jul 21 Clear & warm. Mark is going to Damascus to day. takes an early start. I sat around the house all Day. wrote a letter to Margaret & one to William Hise. got much cooler toward evening. clouded up but no rain. Mark got home about 7 Oclock. PM.

Jul 22 Clear cool and pleasant. tieing up our Oats & hauling it in in good condition as can be. Jake Lee & Dana are helping us. cool wind from northwest blows a gale at noon as I write. got our oats all bound and all in the Barn but one load. cool enough to wear a coat at bedtime.

Jul 23 Clear & cool. was sick in the night last night. by keeping still made out to stay in bed until Daylight when I got up. feel better but shall not do much work to day. Mark & Johny worked at the hay hauled in one load of Oats it is now all in the abrn. Bought Ham coffee & Sugar.

Jul 24 Clear & warmer. Mark cut the last of grass to Day. I done but little. a couple of Ladies an Aunt of Julias and a relative from Cleveland called to see Julia stayed to Dinner after which he started for Leetonia. Jake Lee came at 10 Oclock is helping with the Hay. got a letter from Ed Hise enclosing goileys notes for 350 Dollars.

Jul 25 Clear & pleasant. as I can do nothing at the hay I will go to Lisbon. after breakfast took Julia up to Isaac Boones. Drove around and got Mrs. Miller (Belles Mother) took her with me to see Belle. brot her back with me in afternoon. stopped and talked with Mother Goulbourn a short time. brot Julia home with me. Sold Goiley's notes to S J Firestone 350 dollars for 345 got the money will now send it to Ed. it will do him good.

Jul 26 Cloudy & warm. Mark Johny Lee and Sam Goily is stacking our hay. I hauled brick in forenoon. in afternoon it rained commenced about noon and kept it up all Day & evening lots of water fell. got a letter from Nora she is at Washington.

Jul 27 Cloudy & warm. hauled rubbish away from Republican Building this morning which is all the work we will do to Day. will rest. took Julia out to Wm Hecklers. in afternoon took Harriet Arner out Buggy riding got home at 7 Oclock PM. no rain to Day the very hot at times.

Jul 28 Clear & pleasant looks as if the rain was over for a while. wrote a letter to Ed Hise enclosing a Draft on New York for 350 Dollars also a note to Margaret. Uncle Silas is here came to show me a new cane sent him from Norristown Pa. it grew at Valley Forge. Mark is over to Tim Gees. at 5 Oclock I went over to Hecklers & brot Julia home pleasant riding.

Jul 29 Cloudy & cool this morning. sett a few brick in forenoon. Johny made brick. at noon commenced raining will put a stop to haying. Mark with 2 hands is trying to get done but in consequence of the Rain will have to knock off. we made 5 iron hitching posts this afternoon. rained all afterpart of the Day. we could see nothing of the Eclipse of the Sun.

Jul 30 Cloudy & wet this morning but cleared off. Johny made brick I helped Stephen make plank road in forenoon. in afternoon helped get our hay Stack finished just got it done in time for the rain. wrote a letter to Margaret.

Aug 1 Clear & warm. Mark & I haul dirt in forenoon. Mr. Heckler brot us 21 qts of Blackberries at 6 cents per qt. Julia sealed them up forthwith. Mark made up some of our fences. Wm Umpstead Died.

Aug 2 Cloudy but not much like rain. Mark hauled a load of coal to Stephen Adams and sand to the Brick yard. I sett what brick was wheeled in. made brick.

Aug 3 Clear & pleasant. sett some brick Mark is hauling Sand to brick yard. bought 5 new flat irons as ours had got broken. got a letter from Ed enclosing a sheet from Margaret. Ed got his Draft on new York for 350 Dollars all right so that is all well over.

Aug 4 Clear & cool looks very pleasant out of doors as I write at 5 Oclock in morning having got tired lieing in bed. have got up dressed and being out of other employment for the moment am amusing myself by writing here but will now commence a letter to Margaret & Nora who are still at West Liberty Iowa. attended the Funeral of William Umpstead at 2 Oclock PM quite a large one.

Aug 5 Clear & warm. sent P.O. order for 50 Dollars to Margaret she will soon come home. hauling Brick to different parties. making brick.

Aug 6 Clear & warm to Day. Mark Oiled our harness and I helped Julia clean house. took the large carpet hung it on a rope 12 feet from the ground and I beat about a half Day was very dusty. got it down again all right. bought a new piece of Oil cloth for the hearth. got a letter from Margaret. bought blackberries etc.

Aug 7 Clear & warm. Mark hauled Sand and brick. I sett brick made 4000 are getting along well. Lena is poorly having taken cold. bought 20 qts of blackberries for one dollar. Julia canned them forthwith.

Aug 8 Clear & warm. got up early to pick peas but found them too green yet. Mark is still hauling Sand. I am setting brick. wrote to Margaret. fine breeze at sundown go early to bed.

Aug 9 Clear at sunrise tho it rained a little last night. got up about midnight went up and secured my Kiln against the rain. came home and got to bed again before it rained. was not much of a shower. sett brick & cased some of the Kiln. Mark hauled sand all Day.

Aug 10 Cloudy & rained at sunrise. got up early & churned shod Betty. rained slow but we cased at the Kiln under the shed. Mark is hauling sand and brick wants to get done. made 24000 Brick this week. sett brick in afternoon got the Kiln sett but little to do at itt now before firing.

Aug 11 Clear & coolish with heavy dew. must write Margaret a letter as it will probably be the last chance I shall have as I want to sett fire to the Kiln tomorrow. attended the lectures of Parker Pillsbury at 2 & 8 Oclock. clear & moonlight. picked some plums for Julia to Can up. Mark is up at Pats to Day.

Aug 12 Clear & cool. got up before the chickens & gathered up what Pears had fallen through the night lest they pick holes in them thus spoiling them for use. got our Kiln ready & fired it about 6 Oclock PM. Mark finished Jones Pavement. Johny made 4000 Brick.

Aug 13 Clear & cool. attended the Kiln doing fine. Mark hauled brick all Day. I attended the Kiln Johny made brick. weather fine as can be. Fitz Allen Brady is putting 2nd story on his house. Stephen Adams throwed up his job of Digging clay and I am glad of it will not try some one else.

Aug 14 Clear & delightful weather. Kiln is doing fine. Mark hauled wood and sand. I attended the Kiln all day. Wiley comes to night he is my Old stand by. rained a fine shower in afternoon done us no harm.

Aug 15 Cloudy at day break but no rain. Kiln is warming up nicely. got a letter from Nora last evening Said nothing about coming home. Mark hauled sand and wood. a note

from Margaret uncertain when they will start for home.

Aug 16 Cloudy with a little rain in forenoon but can still make brick. Kiln is doing well to all appearances. Julia is canning fruit. Mrs. Warner made 3 bottles of blackberry wine. Parker Pillsbury called Down a little spell.

Aug 17 Clear & warm changed fires at the Kiln this morning. Mark hauled brick & wood made 4000 brick. Kiln is doing first rate. got a letter from Margaret says she will be home on Friday next if nothing happens.

Aug 18 Cloudy but with little prospects of rain is cool and pleasant. will change fires this morning for the last time. came home to dinner at one Oclock. cloudy and threatens rain but rained not.

Aug 19 Cloudy and rained a very little at break of day. shut our Kiln up this morning think I have a good burn. as I write am washed and cleaned up feel none the worse of wear in burning. have been at it 6 Days & 7 nights. bought a new bottle of ink does not seem to be the same color as the Old. went to Depot with Parker Pillsbury he took Cars for Columbiana will probably not see him again soon. came home and after dinner laid down and took a nap of sleep. went to Town in evening got no letter.

Aug 20 Cloudy but soon cleared off. Mark mowed fence corners. I loaded brick most of the day. Paid Stephen Adams 20 Dollars owe him 10 yet. collected about 80 Dollars paid Milton Taylor 12 Dollars for hoisting Mary Negus House. cool at Sundown. white heifer has a calf.

Aug 21 Clear & pleasant out this morning. Mark is mowing fence corners I am moving brick and Johny is making. fine weather for it as can be. I done but little work in afternoon. bought a cheese cost 7 cents per pound weighed 32 pounds very good one.

Aug 22 Clear & pleasant as can be. got up at peep of Day walked out for pastime as soon as light enough. I picked a few scattering plums enough for a couple of pies Julia wants to have for Margaret who is expected home tomorrow at ½ past 9 A.M. hope she will not disappoint us. Mark & I went west of Town onto Campbells & Boones land and cut a lin Sawlog. took it to Jacob Forkers mill and got it sawed into boards on which to sett brick got back by noon. in afternoon we cleaned out brick shed ready to sett brick in. Match Pedlow with us to night he is an old customer.

Aug 23 Clear & warm. got up early and looked round am afraid the cattle will get at our sweet corn. Mark is ready & I must be off to Depot to meet Margaret & Nora. they came as expected and are now at home again feeling all right after an absence of two months. Margaret & I took supper with Mother Goulbourn.

Aug 24 Clear & warm very pleasant. Margaret is feeling first rate this morning. Mark made cider I sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon Mark hauled brick I loaded sold one load

my burnt brick that I held over winter are nearly all sold. put the shed on the newly burnt Kiln. traded one horse wagon to Sam Davis for his cart brot all three carts home for repairs.

Aug 25 Clear and cool. shod both Charlies and repaired one cart took about all day. Brother Jesse & wife called out and spent an hour or two with us. Margaret is feeling first rate we go early to bed.

Aug 26 Clear & cool as I write at sunrise. Mark is hauling out manure has Joe gibbons helping him. I sett brick all Day. making to day. Jake cleaned the yard on Sunday so that Johny may have full sweep.

Aug 27 Clear & cool. done nothing in forenoon no brick dry enough to come in. sweep broke at noon will have to put in a new one. is now warm & Dry rain would be of service now. soon fixed up the clay mill and got the hands to work again. Caleb Arner called out in evening.

Aug 28 Cloudy & threatens rain but none fell. cleared off towards noon. loaded brick. Enoch Vansyock bought & hauled away all the hard brick I have that are comeatable until we get the new Kiln opened. took of casing & tore down the abutment sett a few brick. Harriet Arner & her Son Caleb spent a few hours & took tea with us. he starts to Oberlin on the morrow where he expects to spend some time at School.

Aug 29 Clear & warm. made & ironed a new single tree and a pair of new trace chains for the brickyard. sett brick opened our new Kiln got a good burn. Sold 2000 to Benjamin Greenemyer he is to haul them.

Aug 30 Clear & warm. sett but few brick to day none dry enough. Mark finished hauling manure made 4000 brick getting along fine. looks some like rain at sundown. pasture is about burned up with drouth.

Aug 31 Cloudy & threatens rain at sunrise. attempted to make brick but was hindered by the rain got about 180 made and was forced to quit. I sett what few was under the shed and sat about Town the balance of the Day. asked parties that owed me for money but got none. Mailed an Epistle to Wm Yates that will if he knows enough set him to thinking. Mark hauled a load of coal to Jo Mills & one load of manure from Milton Smiths. Paid the hands what little money I had. Nora took Julia to Scrabble will go after her tomorrow.

Sep 1 Clear & cloudy at intervals. wrote Geo Hise a letter. Shod Dolly made & ironed a Plow Doubletree shaved out a bolster for our wagon. after dinner Margaret & I called and spent an hour or two with Barcley & Mary Gilbert from there we went to see Marius Robinson but he was too poorly to see us. called on Abram Shinn and chatted a few minutes then I left Margaret at Lib Waits and went to Scrabble after Julia. on our way back called at Elijah Winneys and got peaches he has more than he can care of. gave us a

cheese box full to bring home with us. Ella Huddlemyer visitedus. Nora took her out to her home she lives with Angus Campbell. no rain.

Sep 2 Clear cool and pleasant at sunrise. Mark took grist to mill hauled manure & Sand. I loaded some brick Nora & I went out to Elijah Whinneys and got 2 bushels of Peaches want to can them for Sis. John McCalla died this morning is but a few days since I saw him on the Street. he had lived in Salem 45 years.

Sep 3 Cloudy with good rains last night. Sell Brothers Circus is here to Day. I made a nice knife for Margaret with which to pare Peaches and waited up Town to see the grand procession it was very nice and imposing. at 1 Oclock Nora Julia & I went to see the performance and the animals. they were all in good condition 7 Elephants & 6 Cammels the former are all Small two of them the Smallest I ever saw 4 of the African species 2 of the Asiatic the latter much more intelegent. day was pleasant and everything passed off quiet. Margaret is busy canning Peaches for Sis. cool at bedtime.

Sep 4 Cloudy & dull. Mark is Plowing for wheat. I sett brick in forenoon & finished Margarets knife it is a good one. cleared off and is quite warm at noon. sett a few brick in afternoon.

Sep 5 Cloudy & Dull. made a filter & put it in Edgar Vickers cistern. sett some brick was busy all day. bought a canvass ham 14 cents per pound. Mark is plowing made 4000 brick.

Sep 6 Cloudy and foggy at Daylight. blacksmithed until breakfast sett brick in forenoon. cleared off and is very warm at 1 Oclock. spent the afternoon about Town. engaged to make a watering trough for Judge Ambler. Robt Harris Died.

Sep 7 Clear & pleasant as can be. finished my wagon bolster this morning sett a few brick collected a little money but done nothing most of the day.

Sep 8 Clear & warm. Paskall Seeds & wife visited us to day. nothing going on of any account. I wrote a letter to Brother William of Iowa.

Sep 9 Clear & pleasant. sett brick Mark finished the plowing made 4000 brick Sold some to make cistern. not selling many.

Sep 10 Cloudy most of the day but very little rain. made & sett brick all Day. Mark hauled one load of coal. cloudy & cool at Sundown. got an order from Buckeye Engine Co for two loads of Sand must forward it to Peter Heitman to day.

Sep 11 Cloudy & Dull out but no rain of any amount. Mark Dug Potatoes in forenoon. in afternoon brot a load of coal. rained most of the afternoon. made no brick after dinner is real wet at bedtime.

Sep 12 Cloudy & wet rained all night from appearances this morning. Mark racked off our vinegar & put it in other barrels. I paper on foundry hill. rains all day thus far as I write at 1 Oclock. walked back in the rain and papered until night got the Hall done and a part of the Kitchen. Johny came after me with the Buggy. read Champions of the Church until bedtime. am Sixty five years old to day.

Sep 13 Cloudy & wet rained all night last night. finished Papering but it took me all Day to do it. the rain last night was the heaviest for two years washed away all the brick that was on our yard some fourteen thousand. tore culverts out of the Rail Road causing serious accidents one 3 miles west of Town where three or four men were seriously injured one with broken leg and others badly bruised. Dams of several mills are gone. Brother Jesse had 6 of his Pigs drowned which to him is quite a loss.

Sep 14 Clear & cool this morning. Mark Johny & I piled out soft Brick until noon. Johny took Julia up to her Fathers in aftrnoon. Mark hauled a load of coal from Trotters Divided between Jake Lee & Wiley Ward. I went with him and walked back past Jacob Forkers. rain seems to be over for present. Sallie Post is our girl now.

Sep 15 Clear cool and pleasant. fixed up a small chair for Lena to sit at Table to eat her meals. Made a spring seat for the wagon shod Dolly's hind feet. John Deming called a few minutes. Gip Walker & Emma Wilson spent a couple of hours with us. Philip Evans called over and chatted a while. I went over onto his farm with him to see his under drain it works to a charm. helped Margaret pare & cut Peaches she canned up 3 or 4 cans of nice ones have quite a quantity to put up. they are ripening fast.

Sep 16 Clear & cool. piled Sand before breakfast. loaded brick Mark cleaned up the barn ready for the threshers that have promised to come on tomorrow. Johny is making brick. engaged hands to help threshers. got a letter from Sis.

Sep 17 Clear & fine as can be. all ready for the threshers. I loaded and sett a few brick stopped rat holes in Oats bin. threshers came about 2 Oclock we hustled round and got the wheat threshed 66 bushels some more than we expected to have. am tired of having threshing done it makes a vast amount of work for the woman folk.

Sep 18 Clear & fine. finished our threshing ¼ before eleven Oclock had 67 ½ bushels of wheat and 303 bushels of Oats. in afternoon Mark harrowed wheat ground. I sett some brick and brot seed wheat (10 bushels) from Philip Evans with whom I exchanged Lancaster red for white wheat. weather very fine.

Sep 19 Clear & warm. am unwell having taken some cold. helping Jacob Lee make plank road to clay pit. sent Postal to Peter Heitman ordering 2 cars of Sand. Mark is sowing wheat fine day for it as can be. Making Brick. got our road so that we can use it but not completed.

Sep 20 Clear with cool & pleasant breeze this morning feels like fall of the year sure

enough. spend my morning making a watering trough for Jacob Ambler. worked at our plank road in forenoon. in afternoon sett brick made 4000. threatens rain at sundown. at bedtime is raining. read the Truth Seeker very interesting.

Sep 21 Cloudy cool & wet raining from northeast at 7 Oclock. Mark & I provided a good place for our hay rakes and Roller and put them in it have them nicely in the dry. quit raining and afternoon he & I went up Town and put in 5 hitching Posts for John C Whinney 3 on Broadway & 2 on Main Street. sold a load of Brick and got the money for them. had right good luck getting money much better than I expected in the morning. brot home a fancy lock to put together they having taken it apart to see what was out of fix and could not put it together again. I had to look it well over as it is intricate but soon discovered its secrets and put it in ample order before bedtime.

Sep 22 Clear & cool. finished wood work of Amblers watering trough. strolled across by Samuel Streets to Depot. went up Town to see Add White from there home where I found Marius & Emly Robinson had called in my absence. I should loved to have saw them as Marius is very feeble but is able to ride out when the weather permits. Mark is up at Pats. Margaret is doing up Peaches for Sis while Nora is busily engaged making herself a grotesque dress in which she plays the part of Mehitable Cartwrite in the play called ten nights in the Barroom comes off next Thursday night. David Yengling who has been absent from Salem four years called a few minutes to see us. he lives in Indiana.

Sep 23 Clear at sunrise but soon clouded up dull all day but no rain. Mark & I finished the plank road to clay bank after which I sett a few brick. bought 3 doz tin Cans for Peaches and a 21 pound ham. got a letter from Mary E Swan a Cousin living in Cheyenne says she likes the place. must try and answer it soon. Johny hurt his hand so that I fear he cannot make brick tomorrow.

Sep 24 Cloudy & dull. Allen Hise molded brick. Mark helped me sett brick in forenoon. in afternoon he husked corn for the hogs. Johny went to the Fair his hand is too sore to mould brick.

Sep 25 Clear & pleasant this morning. commenced hauling brick to Addison White. the boys make 4000 brick. fine day for the Fair Mark talks of going tomorrow. in evening Margaret & I went up to see the rehearsal of “ten nights in a Bar Room” the youngsters done very well. Mark took us up in the Buggy and at ½ past 9 came and brot us home again soon after which it commenced to rain.

Sep 26 Cloudy wet & raining at ½ past 6 AM as I write. Mark will hardly go to the Fair to day. he took Margaret over to spend the Day with Mother Goulbourn after he & I sett brick. cleared off and at noon as I write is fine. wrote a letter & sent it to Mrs. Thos Swan of Cheyenne Wyoming Territory. sett brick in afternoon.

Sep 27 Clear & pleasant. Johny is making Brick again to Day. Mark gathered both wagons full of Apples to make into cider. I paved Mary Negus’s Cellar sett some brick.

Sep 28 Cloudy. make no brick to day. Mark made almost 7 Barrels of cider. I sett brick most of the Day what brick is on the yard is drying very slow. got Philip Evans copper Kettle to make our apple butter in.

Sep 29 Cloudy & wet having rained a little last night. Put in the Day boiling down cider. went down to Sulios and bot ½ bushel of quinces for which I Paid 63 cents nice ones. boiled cider until 11 Oclock PM. got it all boiled down ready to make apple butter tomorrow.

Sep 30 Clear & pleasant. up early and got to work at the apple butter ran two Kettles. got it off about five Oclock PM had 15 ½ gallons about as nice as can be made. Samuel Fawcett paid me 18 Colls rent for club room up to August 7th 1878. made no brick to Day for want of yard room. brot Sarah McMillen our Buggy in afternoon. pared apples this evening.

Oct 1 Clear & fine weather as can be. got our apple butter on hand again this morning have one Kettle full to make yet must try and finish to day. making brick again to day. got the apple Butter finished & shod 2 of our horses.

Oct 2 Cloudy & threatens rain at 7 Oclock. Johny Nora & Carrie Arter took Dolly & Buggy and went to Canfield Fair. Mark & I haul brick & Sand Allen Hise mold Brick. cleared off and is very pleasant in after part of the Day. the children got back from the Fair all safe although Nora was Sea Sick riding in the Buggy after dark she went directly to bed.

Oct 3 Clear & cool. Mark & Johny is off to the Canfield Fair this morning. I spent the day in town doing but little. sold a few Brick. Julia came back to Day her Father brot her. he & I had a long talk about the older time both of us were well posted on things happened 50 years ago.

Oct 4 Clear at sunrise but clouded up no rain. made brick. Mark dug Potatoes I sett brick read Truth Seeker.

Oct 5 Clear & cool out this morning. Mark dug Potatoes I sett brick Johny made brick until noon when it commenced raining very moderate but enough to prevent making brick. T J Walton gave me a check for 9 50/100 Dollars payable on Monday next which squared our account. bought 10 lb of Jersey sweet Potatoes for 25 cents cheap enough. dull & wet at sunset.

Oct 6 Clear & cool. took Ann Clark up to John Demings where I should have taken her on yesterday afternoon but forgot it. in afternoon went out to see Harriet Arner she is feeling her best. came home in good season.

Oct 7 Clear & cool with white frost on the boards that is lieing around. got up early and piled Sand until breakfast time. is cool indeed with wind in Southeast. I sett brick Johny made some brick. Mark dug potatoes in forenoon. in after noon hauled Geo Fleck 30 bushels of coal.

Oct 8 Clear & pleasant. sett brick until 11 Oclock. devoted the rest of the day to putting in a new light of glass in place of the one that was broken in No 25 "Trinity Block". got the old one out safe & the new one in without an accident of any kind. got John Tesher to cut a piece out of the Old glass for which Robt Hole gave me seventeen dollars which reduced the cost of the new one to forty dollars. Wm Lamson helped me for which I gave him a Sack of flour. Election to day but not a very animated one. spent the evening in Town but did not stay to hear the result of Election. paid John Barber one hundred dollars I had borrowed of him. made some brick Mark dug Potatoes hauled Straw sand etc.

Oct 9 Cloudy with stiff breeze blowed most of the night will doubtless blow up a rain before morny hours. made brick all day. I sett brick Mark dug Potatoes & hauled brick. Republicans Jubilant. got a letter from Sis & Ed.

Oct 10 Clear & cool with considerable Frost. sett brick Mark hauled brick made brick all day. weather is quite favorable not so cool at sunset.

Oct 11 Clear & cool. Margaret & I are getting ready to Start to Alliance. have not the time to Spare but must indulge in a little recreation for the gratification of selves & friends. went one mile South of Damascus and called on Albert Cameron on whose property in Salem I had a lien for 7 81/00 Dollars. he could not pay it down and he gave me his obligation 3 months after date for the amount. we arrived at Ridgeway Haines about ½ past 11 Oclock where we were made welcome. met Nora at the Depot (she came on the Cars) at 5 Oclock PM. spent the evening very pleasantly retired soon after 9 Oclock. rained.

Oct 12 Clear & cool. got up early after a good nights rest. went into the Barn to see how Dolly was getting along in her Strange lodgings she was all right and ready for her breakfast. I fed her & Ridgeways horse both. took a walk up Main Street ½ mile or so. after breakfast awhile we went over to Peter Heitmans and spent the balance of the Day. he & I came up Town to the Farmers Fair. a vast crowd had gathered in from the adjacent country. the Band discoursed music the Steamers threw water & as we left Peters at ¼ past 6 making the trip in 2 ½ hours. Nora got a little sick as she usually does riding after sunset. found all well at home and soon went to bed. I omitted to say in the proper place that I bought at the Fair the bust of Dickens and a shepherd Boy for Margaret & Nora.

Oct 13 Clear & pleasant a little frost. our chain & buckets in the well. gappled one bucket & the chain out but had to get Jake Lee to go down for the other bucket. spent the entire day at home. Uncle Silas & Geo Fleck called out and spent some time with us. I tore Grandmother Walkers Old chest (which is of walnut) to pieces am going to get it made into a Dressing bureau. Johny is absent down at Newgarden to a wedding has Doll

& the Buggy.

Oct 14 Clear & pleasant. make brick I sett brick Mark hauls corn fodder off of Brickyard lot to Johnson. Marshall Plows the lot to Sow in Rhy. Brick are drying finely to day. at noon as I write while waiting for dinner weather continues fine all Day.

Oct 15 Clear & fine. painting Sash before breakfast. sett brick Mark Sowed the rhy and Timothy seed at the Brickyard made brick. weather fine as can be. John Whinney & I settle he owed and paid me one dollar & seventy five cents. Paid Purdy one dollar I owed him for tile. Bought one dollars worth of sugar Tea Starch etc etc.

Oct 16 Clear & fine. got up as soon as light and painted Sash until breakfast. making & setting brick Mark & Jo Kirtland picking apples. quite windy all day but little signs of rain.

Oct 17 Cloudy but no rain. got up before light painted Sash until breakfast. sett a few brick in forenoon made 2000 before noon. at 11 Oclock commenced raining and of course all hands had to knock off. Mark & Joe picked apples. rained all afternoon & evening.

Oct 18 Cloudy & cool. finished painting the Sash this morning. put in the day making patterns for castings for front gate. Johny cased at the Kiln & sold brick Mark picked what apples he could between showers.

Oct 19 Cloudy cool & wet. finished my Patterns by noon. Mark delivered some apples I had sold. I spent the afternoon in Town. primary Election to appoint a Candidate for Justice of the Peace in place of Al Thomas the present incumbent who is removed for Drunkeness. four candidates in the field (viz) Samuel Hondman, MV Dunlap Charles Boone & joseph Fawcett who was brot out by his friends and rather against his own feelings. not until the polls had been open an hour or two. the consequences was he is beaten by Boone 30 votes. it is to be regretted for he persists in running. it will Secure the election of Dunlap the Democratic nominee as Boone on account of his being so young can not call out more than one half of the Republican vote.

Oct 20 Clear & cool a little ice this morning. packed Sis's Barrel of canned fruit which I intend sending to her. some 53 cans. wrote her a letter & spent the balance of the day reading & sleeping by turns.

Oct 21 Clear & cool. delivered a few winter apples that I had Sold. sett what brick is dry enough. making brick Mark gathering apples.

Oct 22 Clear & fine as can be. making brick & picking apples. I sett a few brick all that was dry enough. clouded up and threatens rain at sun down. covered our brick as best we could.

Oct 23 Cloudy & wet having rained all night and is at it as I write at 7 Oclock AM. Johny took Nora to School in the Buggy after which he & I cased at the Kiln until noon. quit raining and in afternoon Johny & Mark made cider while I loafed at the Buckeye. came home early and spent the evening at home reading sleeping etc etc.

Oct 24 Clear & pleasant. I took Old Charlie & the wagon delivered a few apples. brot my iron from the Buckeye castings for the front gate & wrought iron for the gate. Mark & Johny put winter apples in cellar in forenoon. in afternoon made brick

Oct 25 Clear & fine. made brick I sett all that was dry enough. Mark gathered the Pumpkins. walked out to see Ann Johnson want to get the job of putting down pavement for her but think it doubtful if I can. on my way back called in to see Harriet Arner she is feeling her best. Joel Silvers Paid me 1 80/100 cents for apples.

Oct 26 Cloudy with dense fog. hope it may clear off without rain. Mark & I haul brick Johny making but at 10 Oclock the crab twisted off and he was forced to quit. I shall not repair it will if I make brick another year. put on iron one. still cloudy at noon. Johnny sett brick in afternoon. Mark & I hauled brick. threatens rain at bedtime.

Oct 27 Cloudy & wet this morning the rain having come according to appearances last evening. put the glass into the Sash and got it all ready for glazing. Margaret & I visited at John Demings. rained a little in forepart of the Day. in evening is much colder.

Oct 28 Cloudy & cold. ground froze considerable this morning. all three of us worked at the brickyard casing the Kiln righting things up generally. our green brick are so frozen as to be worthless I fear. not likely that we will make any more this fall.

Oct 29 Cloudy & cool ground froze some this morning. glazed windows until breakfast. Johny & I worked at the Kiln Mark made fence. J Charles Boone elected Justice of the Peace. I voted for him although reluctantly on account of his age “only 22”.

Oct 30 Cloudy cold and wet rained most of the night. finished glazing my windows this morning. Johny & I sett brick Mark made cider. weather cool & raw.

Oct 31 Cloudy cool & Drizzling rain with cold Southwest wind. got up early & took a cider barrel over to Jacob Forkers that we borrowed of Budd Forker had it there by daylight but he was about ready for it. finished setting what brick we had. bought 8 quarts of Pea nuts for Noras Hallowene frolic that comes off to night. in afternoon Johny & I made hitching Post and worked at the front gate. it will take lots of work. at 7 PM Noras Guests commenced to arrive and kept it up until the house was about full and a jolly crowd they were. they caroused until midnight when they all Dispersed in good humor & good order but one accident occurred to mar their happiness. Oliver Hogan in ascending the Stairs came in contact “head on” against the upper landing (that is a little low) so that he was considerable stunned. I was truly sorry that he should have been thus hurt but trust he will soon recover from his injuries.

Nov 1 Cloudy & cold ground covered with Snow this morning. looks dismal out to one who has a Kiln of Brick to case Smear & burn. blacksmithed until noon. in afternoon put in a hitching Post for John Kirzen and sett some brick. quite pleasant in afternoon with wind in Southwest. got a letter from Sis acknowledging the receipt of the Barrel of canned fruit and box of castings sent her a few days since.

Nov 2 Clear & pleasant. Johny & I cased at the Kiln Mark is doing schores about the farm. helped us in afternoon.

Nov 3 Clear & cool. Blacksmithed most of the day. was out to see Ashbel Carey about building him a Cistern willwrite out a statement for him. Johny took Doll & Buggy to Lisbon. Margaret made a Kettle of hand soap.

Nov 4 Cloudy & cool. all hands working at the Kiln getting it ready to burn. Mark hauled in one load of corn. quite pleasant in afternoon.

Nov 5 Clear & frosty. put pipe on Noras Stove that she can have fire occasionally. at 9 ½ went to Depot where we met Mary Gee her daughter Maggie (who had been absent in Iowa 19 months) and Rachel Hise. they left West Liberty Iowa at ½ past 6 on yesterday morning now here all Safe and sound as when they Started it seems marvelous. I went over to Grandmothers & took Dinner with them. Johny & I has the Kiln all cased and one half smeared. very pleasant all day. we used Boiling water to make smear & put it on hot which is a great advantage this cold weather.

Nov 6 Cloudy and not so frosty this morning. got our Kiln ready and commenced to fire it before dinner. Mark hauled wood got her under good headway by evening. got seven Dollars and twenty cents out of Post Office left there for me by Anthony Fisher.

Nov 7 Cloudy & wet this morning snowed a little in the night but melted as it fell. Johny & I attended the Kiln. Rachel Hise Jesse Hise & wife Roltie Gee & some others took Dinner with us. quite pleasant for time of year wind in northwest.

Nov 8 Cloudy & cold wind blew fresh all night. had to sleep on the lee side of the Kiln. put up the Doors and commenced to warm it up. Mark hauled wood all Day. snowed and stormed in forenoon but in afternoon was quite pleasant. Nora took “Aunt Rote” down to Sharpnacks is with us to night.

Nov 9 Clear & cool. everything right this morning. the Kiln is doing fine took the Shed off at sunset. mark hauled corn & wood. Nora took Aunt Rote over to Grandmothers. cool but no snow. the Brick layers finished A B Forkers house on the corner of main & Lisbon Streets to day.

Nov 10 Cloudy and a little moderated this morning. changed fires at the Kiln. took Dinner at Tim Gees. Kiln done first rate all Day. weather all that can be asked.

Nov 11 Cloudy & some warmer. rained a little about day break. Kept fire up at the Kiln all day. changed fires again this morning having got one Side well burned. Sold some brick to day. drizzled rain a part of the day.

Nov 12 Cloudy & wet. closed our Kiln this morning think we have an excellent burn. rained a little through the night but not enough to make it disagreeable at the Kiln. we had all our wood under the side shed and passed the night comfortable. Settled with Jacob Lee owed him one dollar & fifty one cents paid it so that with the exception of a little rent he owes me we are square. Now that my kiln is burned I must get to other business. settled with Robt Hole he owed me forty one Dolalrs & fifty two cents paid me twenty five Dollars & fifty two cents gave me his obligation for the balance sixteen dollars. go early to bed.

Nov 13 Clear & very pleasant. shod 3 of our horses in forenoon. Mark brot a load of coal & Johny hauled in corn. I spent the afternoon in looking about Town.

Nov 14 Clear & pleasant. Mark & I took some brick boards and mortar box out to Careys. in afternoon he hauled a load of Sand. Saw Aunt Rote off at 5 for Iowa. Johny hauled in corn.

Nov 15 Cloudy with circle around the moon at day break. am up early this morning as I wait to take the hands out to Careys to dig cistern. must hurry it through as I fear we will be caught in a storm. after eating an early breakfast Im off for Careys. Stephen Adams and Joe Mills met me according to our appointment and a t ½ past seven they commenced digging. by four Oclock had it six feet Deep nine feet in diameter. brot them back to Town. Mark hauled sand and Johny hauled in corn. weather fine.

Nov 16 Cloudy & warmer. took my men out again to Day. got the cistern dug 10 feet Deep by ½ past 2 Oclock. rained a little all the afternoon but I worked in it throwing the dirt back from the mouth of cistern. Mark hauled brick boards lime cement etc etc so that now we are ready to wall it but will have to wait until Monday. it will take some damage as we dig through a thin vein of Sand that is wet. will cause it to cave some doubtless but I must take the risk. Mark brot us home. bought a Keg of 8 penny nails. am very tired and go early to bed. I omitted to say in the proper place that Joe Mills dug up a stone in the blue clay 10 feet from the surface a stone precisely the shape of a bell pear or small gourd showing very distinctly where the stem was broken off and the blossom end is also very perfect. I should like amazingly to know its history and origin.

Nov 17 Cloudy & wet having drizzles rain all night.

[NOTE: Mr. Hise evidently wrote his daily weather report early in the morning. That evening he collapsed and died while nearing his home on Franklin Avenue. Newspapers

said he had a heart attack. His diary covered nearly 32 years.]

The back cover of the journal reads: “yet love will dream, and faith will trust, that somewhere, somehow meet we must.”

Following the death of Daniel Howell Hise Edwin Hise, Daniel's son-in-law/nephew continued the Journal from January 1, 1879 – September 15, 1883

1879

Jan 1 On this the first day of the New year I resume this Journal which was broken off so suddenly on the 17th of Nov. last by the death of Uncle Howell who began it more Than Thirty years ago. I feel my incompetency to carry it on in so thorough a manner as he did but I _____ by Aunt Margarets request and I may add my own inclination. I shall do my best. I today sent a proposition to C. E. Henry of Cleveland. Special Agent of The P. G. Department offering room No. 27 Trinity Block to be used as Post Office. A change in location of the same is contemplated. but I fear will not be made. Mrs. Emma Wilson Mrs. Kate Ruggy, Mrs. Lon Griffing, Mrs. Rose Gager, and Miss Gipp Walker all sisters (and all daughters of James W. and Ann Walker old Anti Slavery Friends of the Hise family.) visited and spent the day with us. Mark went for them and took them home in the sled. Sleighing good, but weather warmer than for some days previous. I went up town a few minutes in evening. Nora went to a dance with Arth and Alice McMillan. Got a letter from Uncle Geo Hise of West Liberty Iowa. Aunt Margaret got one from Parker Pilsbury.

Jan 2 Cooler. Snow falling fast at 7 A.M. Spent the forenoon at home looking over books and accounts. Went to town in afternoon and stayed til 4 P.M. 19th Ohio held reunion in Salem today. Mark and Sis went over to see Grandmother Goulbourn in afternoon. Weather very cold. promises to be the coldest night of the season. Have plenty of coal and 3 fires going. _____ _____ Elliott died this eve at 7 oclock.

Jan 3 Weather clear and stinging cold. I got up at 5 oclock and stirred up the fires in the grates. had the house warm for the women folks when they got up. Made three trips to town today but did not accomplish much. Little Howell has been right sick all day. I went with the sleigh about 5 oclock and brought Doc Burkhart to see him. He seems to think his teeth are troubling him. Has vomited considerable today and at 9 oclock is still pretty sick. Mr. and Mrs. Gibbons came up and spent the evening. He and I looked over a accts and according to his acct we owe him 18.85 cts to first of Jan 79. Weather still very cold. This morning some places in town the mercury was down to 20 below zero. Bought thermometer of Bolger & French for which I paid 50 cents. At 9 P.M. the mercury stands at 4 below. Paid Salem Era 3 doll. 1-50/100 for Publishing notice of appt. 1-50/100 for paper.

Jan 4 Clear and cold. Little Howell seems better this morning, but was very restless all night. got up early. Spent a portion of the day in town. Talked with J. L. Brown about the house he lives in on foundry Hill. Thinks he must have it for 6 dollars per month, which is one dollar less than he has been paying and 3 dollars less than it should bring but I fear it is the best I can do. Weather warmer tonight with indications of snow. Mark hauled load of coal in forenoon and afternoon took Julia and Lena out to Scrabble. Baby seems better tonight. Dr. Rush was out this afternoon and thought he was not dangerously sick. Read some in Old Curiosity Shop.

Jan 5 cloudy and warmer. Snowed a little during the day. After dinner I took Dolly and the sleigh and went up to Hai____ and brought Julie and Lena home. Took my little niece Mabel Garrigues with me. She enjoyed the ride very much and so did I. Sleighing Splendid. Got home before dark. Wm. Morris called in evening and spent an hour or so with us. Made me a proposition to buy the house and lot on Foundry Hill. His offer was too low but we have it under consideration. Bro. Will was out and stayed most of the day.

Jan 6 Cloudy with a little snow during the day. Mark and I hauled to loads of fodder in forenoon. Went up town in afternoon. Collected 6 dollars rent money from J. L. Brown. Got a letter from Sister Fannie West Liberty Iowa carrying the sad intelligence of Hallie Elliotts death. we were expecting it for she had been sick for a long time. She leaves two children (boys) the oldest 4 years old, and a baby a few weeks old. She was one of my favorite cousins.

Jan 7 Warmer today and thawed a little where the sun shone brightly. Spent most of the day in town without accomplishing anything of importance. Mark hauled a load of slack in forenoon, and afternoon took some straw to J. M. Woodruff. Sent blank affidavit to A. B. Farquhar together with a not requesting him to make out his claim against the Estate. Made and mailed a letter to Fannie Hise West Liberty, Iowa. Snowing and blowing at 9 oclock at which time I retire.

Jan 8 More snow last night but warmer today and melted some. I went over to Ad Carr's and built a furnace in his milkin house. Pretty cold to lay brick but got along very well. Mark hauled a load of coal in forenoon and came for me in the evening with the sleigh after bringing Nora home from school. Made Wm Morris a proposition in writing to sell him Foundry Hill property. I not know whether he will take me up or not. Offered it low enough goodness knows. Our Baby is still pretty poorly. think his teeth are troubling him.

Jan 9 Some cooler this morning and snowing heavily at 8 oclock. Mr. Harman called. he has an account against the Estate for threshing & gave him blanks to make out his acct. Walked up town with him but didnt stay long. Got Salem Era and Truth Seeker (the better paper) ordered discontinued some time ago but it still comes. will have to write to them again. Went up town with Dolly and the sleigh and brought Nora home from school.

Think there must be more snow on the roof of Trinity Block than is good for the building. must try and get some of it off tomorrow. Very stormy all day with wind in northeast. Mark hauled one load of coal. Recd short note from Henry _____of West Liberty Iowa requesting us to send him a receipt for some money he paid me for work done in the amount of 77. My book for that year is in Iowa and I shall be unable to comply with his request until I get it. Grandmother Wilcopsin Died Aged 92 years 9 mo.

Jan 10 Clear and cold. Mark and I shoveled snow off the roof of Trinity Block. worked most of the day and did not leave enough snow on to do any damage. Stayed in town till dark. Went to Kenneth and Amblers office and examined Article of Agreement between D. H. Hise and Robert Hole concerning lot in west main st. Still owe Robert 200 Dollars worth of brick. must have the deed made soon. Have talk with Geo Lucas who promises to go with me north of Canfield where he says he built cistern for Uncle Howell in May last. I think he lies, but am willing to help him price it if he can. Dont think he will go with me on Monday as he has agreed to do. Got a letter from Bro. Frank West Liberty. Nora went to reading circle at Geo Streets. Is not yet home at 9 oclock and I reckin will stay all night.

Jan 11 Cloudy & cold. Nora stayed all night with Clara Street. thinks she had a splendid time. Went to Lovern Nobles last night and their reading there. Began snowing about 8 this morning and kept it up better part of the day. Warmer in afternoon. Spent most of the day in town. Agree to sell house and lot on Foundry Hill to J. L. Brown for seven hundred and forty dollars in cash. Must try and get necessary arrangements made and complete the bargain next week. The price is low but to us the property seems undesirable and has never been a paying investment. Saw and talked with several persons who have accounts against the Estate. Mark hauled a load of coal in forenoon. Afternoon took Aunt Margaret to town in the sleigh. She called on Uncle Silas Howell who has been unwell for some time. Samuel Conkle buried today.

Jan 12 Got up pretty early and began a letter to Bro Frank. Cloudy and warmer at daylight. Little Howell still pretty poorly. very fretful. teeth must hurt him. Since writing the above we have discovered that the Babys eye teeth are just peeking through. Am very glad of it for I think he will be better now. Mark and Aunt Margaret called on Grandfather Barcley who has been sick some time from a stroke of paralysis. Found him some better but evidently failing. They went from there over to Grandmother Goulbourns. Robert Thomas well as usual. Nora and I went to McMillans and staid a couple of hours. Finished letter to Frank.

Jan 13 Cloudy, cold and snow. Took Dolly and the sleigh up town at 8 oclock and about half fast 8 Lucas and I started to find the place where he says he built a cistern for which Uncle Howell was to pay him. It seems needless to add that we did not find it. We drove straight with two miles beyond Ellsworth, then turned East and went to Canfield. Lucas did not or said he did not recognize a single thing by which he could identify the place where he did the work. My conclusion is that he is attempting to defraud us out of at least 7-1/2 dollars. that being the amount he claims for the work. He also has other

items in his claim againstthe estate which all together amount to 74.96. He must prove it before he gets it. Got home about 2 P.M. Went up town after dinner. Consulted Thos K___ on matter of business. Called on Mrs. Farmer. Mark hauled fodder into the barn and took a hog to McConners to have butchered, cut it up and carried it into the cellar after supper.

Jan 14 Cloudy and warmer. Cut up the lard ready for cooking and salted the pork. Went over to Grandmothers in afternoon and stayed a couple of hours. Paid note of sixty dollars in First National Bank. Took sausage and got it cut. Mark hauled a load of slack and hung some dried beef up to smoke for Mrs. Trimble. Read opening chapters in a novel that _ry Walker lent us "One Summer". Rather interesting. Little Ed considerably better today.

Jan 15 Cloudy and damp. Made a little wagon for the Baby before going to town. Spent most of the day in town. Began snowing about 2 oclock and is keeping it up at a great rate. Pretty hard walking home at 6 oclock. Mark went up to Pat's and drove home through the storm. brot Nora home from school in sleigh.

Jan 16 Turned warmer in the night and when we arose this morning found it raining. Little Howell was very sick in the night but seems better this morning. Took Nora to school in the sleigh and brought Mrs. Warner home with me. Mark brought Aunt Mary Gee over and she stayed until 3 oclock when I took her home. Saw Grandmother who is evidently failing fast. Must go to see her as often as we can for I think she will soon leave us. Her's is a ripe old age being now in her 92nd year. I shoveled snow off Trinity Block. Rained most of the forenoon but soon began to freeze and tonight is quite cold again. Got a letter from West Liberty containing notice of Hallie Elliotts accts. Her age was 29 years. Got letter from Sister Fannie West Liberty. Allen Hise paid me 2-15/100 for 300 brick got by Le___ ____. Bought a pair of rubber boots of R. Jobes. 8-50/100.

Jan 17 Stayed at home until after dinner. Began a letter to Mother but did not finish it. Took care of Little Howell while Sis made a kettle of very nice Lard soap and did some other necessary work. Baby is much better today. One of his stomach teeth made its appearance today. Has but one more to get. Went up town after dinner. Took 32-1/4 lbs of lard to Milton Davis. Took 12-1/2 lbs sausage and 16 lb dried beef to Mrs. Trimble. Settled with and paid Ella Huddlemire 7-18/100. Settled with Stephen Adams. owed and paid him 40 cents. took receipts from both. Settled with J. ___ Lumber. he owed and paid 4-94/100. Mark took 8 bushels wheat and one bushel corn to Buckeye Mill. Raining at 9 P.M. bedtime.

Jan 18 Clear and warmer and thawed some considerable today but still lots of snow in the roads. Made some shelves for Sis to go behind the stove. Mailed a letter to Mother. Went to town and stayed till dark. Aaron Wilson had a sale of buggy but I didn't want to buy and didn't stay long. Understand they sold well. Eb Allen of Winona got 800 brick on acct. We owe him some yet. Offered McCracken 32 thousand brick at 5-1/2. but do

not know if he will accept or not. Left Inventory and Appraisement list in Lucian Gilberts office ready to be sent to Probate Judge on Monday. Wrote and mailed short letter to F. A. Conner Mansfield O. in answer to inquires about a tire room for rent in Main st. Brought barrel of Lisbon salt from Van Ly___ price 1.40/100. Left a notice of Hallie Elliott's death to be published in Salem Republican.

Jan 19 I went up with the horses and sled and brought Aunt Lib Wait and her two children Gertie and Myron. They spent the day with us and we all had a good time. Bro. Will was also here. When Mark took them home in the evening Sis and Nora went along for the ride. Sleighing still first rate. Weather cold and some little snow fall today We all retired at an early hour. quarter past 7.

Jan 20 Colder. Mercury at 7 oclock 4 above zero. Very pleasant winter weather. Spent most of the day in town without accomplishing much of importance. Gave Philip Matthews an order on Richard Jobes for 3-40/100. Subscribed for Salem Republican. $2 per year. Rode home with Sis and Nora in the sleigh. Mark hauled 30 bushels slack for Dr. Sampsell. 1-20/100. Just as I was about retiring hence a great ringing of sleigh bells as tho a horse was running down the lane. Went to the barn and found a horse with a pair of shafts attached to him. He had run away and just as Mark and I had him in the barn and fixed comfortably for the night his driver came. A drunken darkey. I let him go tho I felt sorry for the horse.

Jan 21 Mark and I hauled 3 loads of fodder into the barn. I then went to the brickyard and loaded some brick for John ___. sold him from 6 to 9 thousand at $6 per m. Mark hauled load of straw to Firman Gee. After dinner both of us worked at the brickyard clearing away the bats and open the new kiln. think there are good brick in it. Brought Nora home in the sleigh. Weather moderated a good deal and wind blows soft like rain. Paid R. Jones 3 dollars. The amt. of an order I gave P. Matthews. Stephen Adams gave me three dollars for coal which Mark is to haul.

Jan 22 Considerably warmer and snow melting fast. I loaded 675 brick for J. ____. Made two trips to town in forenoon. Wrote and mailed a short note to Uncle William owing him that. Grandmother Goulbourn is worse. Ratie Gee is visiting us today. I took her home in afternoon. Talked a little with Grandmother. failing every day. Bessie Rush came home from school with Nora and is staying all night. Wrote letter to John Shepherd New Castle, Pa.

Jan 23 Cloudy and cool. Mr. ____ hauled 122 brick today. I loaded them. Spent the afternoon in soliciting signers to a petition for removing the post office to Main Street. Succeeded in getting 45 names. Mark hauled Stephen Adams load of coal. In afternoon took Aunt Margaret to Grandmothers.

Jan 24 Weather moderating. Loaded six loads of brick today for John ____. Got a few more names on petition for moving post office to Main Street. Went over to Grandmothers towards evening. Got several names there. Went up town after supper

first-time I believe since I came back to Ohio. Called in at Greiners Bank and talked a little about P.O. removed. Nora expected to go to a party tonight at Ed Curtis but took sick immediately after getting home from school and was too unwell to go. At bedtime she is better and sound asleep. Got a letter from Sister Fannie West Liberty. She pretty well. Mark loaded corn fodder into the barn and hung up some of our meat in smokehouse. Got room for all ____ side meat will have to wait till ham and shoulders are smoked. Have a fine lot of em.

Jan 25 Clear and warm all day. thawed very fast and sledding about gone. John ____ hauled the last of his brick today 8500 in all. Went to town in stayed the afternoon. Got several against Post Office petition. Got the papers necessary for the sale of Foundry Hill property. L. L. Gilbert wrote them. Informed J. P. Brown that they were all ready but he said he was disappointed in getting his money and I am afraid we shall miss the sale. For my own part don't care much for the property is worth more. Mark and I worked on Buggy. will freeze some tonight. Went to town after supper but didnt stay long.

Jan 26 Clear and cold this morning. bids fair to be a splendid day. After dinner took Aunt Margaret down to McMillans and then I drove out to see my old friend Sam Pattersons. found him at home and spent a couple of pleasant hours with him. He is a native of Pittsburgh or vicinity and a Bricklayer by trade. (one of the best). The best bricklayer I ever worked with tho now getting well along in years. Got home in good time and brought Aunt M. from McMillans. Bro Will was out today.

Jan 27 Cloudy and mild in the morning. Got things together and topped out a chimney for Barclay Gilbert. Was not high enough and smoked. Hope I did it some good for it was a hard job. Rained before I finished but Barclay furnished a ___coat and I stuck to it. Settled with Jont Oliphant owed and paid him $5-28/100. took receipt. Got a letter from Uncle Wm. West Liberty. All well there. Went uptown in afternoon. Ad Carrs Mother has a smoky grate in her house. Wanted me to look at it and suggest a remedy. did so. Crawled up on the roof and got dirty and wet. Think I can fix it. Brought home bushel basket filled with old papers. found it in garret-Trinity Block.

Jan 28 Cloudy and warm. roads getting soft and muddy on top. Went to town in forenoon. Dr. Sampsell paid me 1-24/100 for slack. Had a talk with John Garwood. Pidgeon's boys are tearing down Aunt Phebes old house. After dinner went up to Ad Carr's Mother's to fix a smoky grate. Wrestled with it most of the afternoon. think I helped it. John ____ paid me 40-00/100 for brick. the balance of his bill 10-56/100 goes to E. B. Allen, Minerva for lumber furnished brickyard by him. Sam Wilson (Tinner) handed me his account against the Estate. amounting to 36-85/100 in which has been paid 24-28/100 leaving a balance of 12-76/100 due him. Aunt Margaret with Mark went over to Grandmothers. found them not so well. Gave Mark 5 dol for coal. Wrote postal card to Mother.

Jan 29 Clear and warm. Repaired furnace in workhouse and put a new handle in my brick hammer. Made a bread board for the kitchen. Mark and I took small load of straw

to Firman Gee. Repaired neck yoke. and stayed with the Baby in afternoon while Sis and Aunt Margaret went up to see Mrs. Emily Robinson. Went up town myself before supper. got Salem papers and read them. Read "Ivanhoe" by Sir Walter Scott. am much interested in it. Mark hauled 30 bushels of corn. Clear as a bell at 9 P.M.

Jan 30 Clear and warm. Mark hauled two loads of coal. I made fence along the road. Took Aunt Margaret over to Grandmothers and Sis and the Baby up to Ninas. Brot them all home before dark. John E. Rogers presented claim of D. S. Fawcett amounting with interest to date 18-80/100. will pay it even. Uncle Timothy brought his meat over to have us smoke it for him. Doc Howell brot his too.

Jan 31 Worked at the fence till noon. Somewhat cooler than yesterday. gave Julia one dollar in money and an order on Jobes for 2 pairs of shoes. Went up town after dinner. Got E. Sonedecker to file my saw. paid him25 cents for doing it. got 12 lbs nails on acct of fixing chimney for Mrs. Carr. Settled with and paid Fawcett & Martin 4.83. Eldridge & Reed 3.74. Paid Note held by D. L. Fawcett interest and all 18.30. Squared up with E. Steven of Winona. Bought stuff for pants. cost all cut and ready to make 2.14. Sis will make them. Julia went to town tonight. Nora goes to a party at J. Bissells. Mark hauled one load of coal today. Must have now in the coal house nearly 3 hundred bushels. think it will last in till warm weather. Marmaduke Wilson died.

Feb 1 Thin coat of snow in the ground this morning and snowing a little at 7 A.M. Sawed some fence posts off before breakfast. Spent most of the day in town to but little purpose. Had a talk with Joseph Brown and think he will ___ to get his money together to buy the property on Foundry Hill. Told R. Johns what I have long wanted to tell him vz. that he is losing customers by having a too hasty temper. Thanked me for telling him and promised reform. Took some eggs to town for which I got 18 cents per dozen. Bought sugar and codfish. Mark took seed out of brown corn. attended to smoking the meat etc.

Feb 2 Arose at half past five. stirred up the fires and read "Ivanhoe" till breakfast. Cloudy and cold with occasional spits of snow. Arthur McMillan and Bro. Will took dinner and stayed the afternoon with us. Began a letter to Mother.

Feb 3 Finished & maileda letter to Mother. Went to town. Talked to Robert ____ about brick. In afternoon Sis and I went to Grandmothers. Uncle Tim came over and got our coal stove. wants it for Maggie's room. Snowed some during the day and evening but not enough for sleighing.

Feb 4 Clear and bright in the morning. Sis and Mark went over to Uncle Timothy's. Brought back the unlooked for tidings that Grandmother Goulbourn was no more having breathed her last at half past two this morning. Aunt Margaret went over immediately and stayed until evening & then went over and brought her home and Mark took me back. I remained all night. Grandmother was in the 92nd year of her age having been born near

Philadelphia on the 6th of July, 1787 . Married March 4, 1818 and removed to Salem in 1829. She had therefore been a resident of Salem and vicinity for almost half a century. Budd Farquhar came over in the forenoon and we agreed on accts. He owed and paid 16.15. 14.15 in cash and his due bill for the remainder.

Feb 5 Began snowing about 3 this morning and kept it up till ten or eleven. tolerable sleighing but snow is soft. Came home from Uncle Tim's at noon. Went with him to the cemetery to help select a lot in which to bury Grandmother. Got I think a very good one but the one we most wanted is not for sale. Recd invitation to a party at Tim Sharp's on Saturday eve. want to go. Came home before dark. read Salem Era which was not a heavy contract. Felt somewhat sleepy having been up all night. Sis went to Uncle Tim's this afternoon for a little while.

Feb 6 Snowed nearly all day. Attended Grandmother's funeral. We all went except Sis and the Baby. The funeral was appropriate in all its appointments. Left the house about 11 and went to the Baptist Meeting house. Where there was a short discourse by the pastor, Rev. A. L. Moore. About 1 oclock proceeded to the Cemetery. The snow flakes fell thick and fast upon the casket that contained all that was mortal of "Rachel Goulbourn" as it was lowered to its last resting place. Hers was a ripe old age. The Lord fulfilled her destiny and having full faith inthe immortality of the soul. death was robbed of its horrors for her. Many of her old friends were at the funeral, but they too are fast-passing away. From the Cemetery we went back to Uncle Tims and stayed till after dinner. Aunt Margaret stays all night and perhaps for a day or two. Went up town but got back a little after dark. Bot a piece of mutton. Got the Tribune but no letters.

Feb 7 Clear and pleasant. Snow melting fast. Ham Howell brought his meat out to have it smoked. Went up town. Met Thos Sharp and showed him a proposition to settle our accts. Said he thought we could come to settlement. but we did not quite. Lawrence talked with Robert Hole. Went to sell him some brick and think I can do it. Settled with John Garwood or rather fixed up our business in good shake. He still owes us the property (which he bought Jan 1st 1870) 516.36 which he agrees to pay in yearly payments of 100 dollars each with interest in the full amount unpaid interest payable annually. We signed an article to that effect and left it with Kenneth and Ambler. Settled with J. M. Brown & Co owe and paid them 7.94. Paid Carr & Teacher 20 dollars on acct. Rec'd of Norman Garrigues 10 dollars in acct of rent for Club room. He (as treasurer) still owes 8 dollars. The club have vacated the room. Nora with John Shaffer go to a theater tonight. (A celebrated C___.) Aunt Margaret returned from Uncle Timothys and the latter took his meat home. Had it here to smoke. No letters again today. Joseph Thomas came out after supper and paid 12.40 for cow pasture last summer.

Feb 8 Clear and bright. Splendid weather. Mark and I made fence. ground our axe and cut a couple of small trees and trimmed up fence corners in triangle lot. Went up town in afternoon. Paid balance on note of Carr & Tescher. collected 5 dollars rent of J. L. Brown. he still owes one dollar on present month. Went to party at ___ Sharks and am

writing this at a little before midnight having just got home. Met many old friends and had a good time.

Feb 9 Partially clear and cloudy at intervals. Sis and the Baby and I together with Mabel Garrigus who had come out with Bro. Will) went over to Uncle Tims. stayed till about 4 P.M. Come back by way of town and left Mabel at home. Nora took dinner at McMillans and Julia and Lena being away at Elijah Whinery's . Aunt Margaret Mark and Will were left alone. Sung darkey hymns in evening.

Feb 10 Went up town in forenoon. Weather cold. roads first rate. Bought some butter. A. B. Garrigues paid 4.50 on club room rent. Got a letter from Sam Lister from West Liberty. Sis is 36 today. She went up town this afternoon and did some shopping. Bought carpet chain etc. I settled with Perry Stove Co. They owed and paid 1.20. Settled with D. B. Burford and with Burford & Baxter. owed the former 2.12 with the latter owed us 24.74. gave me a due bill for that amount which we are to take in goods from their store. wrote and mailed a letter to Mother and a card to J. J. H Gregory Marblehead Mass. For a seed catalog. Subscribed for American Agriculturist. 1.10 per year. Got Vic Bean to file saw want to trim apple trees. Wrote another card to D. M. Bennett Editor of Truth Seeker and asked him to stop the paper. Do not dislike the paper but we do not want it. Can do better with the money and just now do not feel like giving much for that kind of charity. No news yet about Post Office removal. am getting anxious.

Feb 11 Cloudy and wet. Arose before daylight and wrote a letter to Aaron Hencilrod West Liberty, Iowa. Went over to Uncle Tims and brought Aunt Mary Gee and Mrs. Wells Uncle Tims sister. they together with Margaret Crumrine, Mrs. Albert Silver and Aunt Mary Jesse are visiting us today. Gave Shep 25.00 He went to Pittsburgh. Nora went to a party at _____ Sharps. I brought her home in the buggy at half past 12. Went to town at 10 oclock. Very stormy and getting colder.

Feb 12 Considerably colder. ground frozen solid. Uncle Silas Howell walked out from town today and spent the day with us. Mark took him home in the buggy. we thought he was too feeble to walk. Spent a good portion of the day in town. tried to sell some apples, but they are plentiful and cheap. I could not get an offer of more than 25 cents per bushel and for Lopsides but 20. John Dellenbaugh asked me to make an estimate of what it would cost to take the mortar off his house (hotel) and paint it up with cement ready for painting. Told him I would think it over and have already about made up my mind that I do not want the job. Have worked some for him and found he was hard pay. Read Salem Era. Not much in it. Snowing some at 7 P.M.

Feb 13 Cloudy and cold. Mark hauled sawlogs for Chessman in forenoon. in afternoon hauled a load of coal for Dr. Lumpsell. I spent the afternoon in town. done no good. Read the Tribune. Felder the "great reform candidate" for the Presidency didn't know anything about the cipper telegram. Oh no.

Feb 14 Much colder. took Nora to town in the buggy. bought coffee over other articles. Jacob Farquhar was here when I got home and we squared our accounts. owed and paid him 1.45. Johnny Sheppard takes Dolly wagons to New Garden. No he didn't go. Didn't like it because I thought best for him to take the buggy instead of the sleigh so took neither. We can stand it. Went to town in afternoon. got Ernest McMillan to look over the books and found that they owes us 144 dollars. Walked home in company with with Jud Stratton. Quite cold tonight.

Feb 15 Mercury at zero at 7 A.M. which is very cold for this time of year. Took a gallon of apple butter and left at Clemmins grocery for Mr. Goshen. traded it to him for some tin ware. Nora went up to the school house to rehearse a play in which she is to take a part. Spent the afternoon in town. Tried to sell Robert Hole the brick for new building he is going to put up in the spring on Main Street. Failed to see alike and he says he will buy of Chris Kinnemun. Let him go it. have nothing to reproach myself with in regard to the offer I made him, and would not make it a cent lower if I had the chance. The largest casting ever made in Salem was made today at the Buckeye Works. It is a bed plates for an engine. weighs 12000 lbs and goes I understand to Lowell, Mass. After supper took Nora over to Joseph Kerr's to a Phantom Party. Bought Dickins christmas stories of McMillans. 28 cts.

Feb 16 Wrote a letter to Geo Johnson West Liberty Iowa. Sis wrote to Flo (his wife). Started out for a walk over the farm but after going through the orchard thought best to return to the house. too much snow on the ground yet for comfortable walking. Weather is much warmer today. Mercury at 24 above zero at 11 A.M. After dinner Sis and I drove over to Uncle Tims. We are frequent visitors at their house but they are always pleased to see us and we as well pleased to go. We found Maggie looking and I think feeling some better. Just before our arrival Ratie while cutting bread for dinner inflicted an ugly cut on her hand with a new and sharp knife and was forced to lie down. The thought of it having made her feel faint. Aunt Maria was suffering with sore eyes and Aunt Mary look very well. Altogether they seem to be sorely afflicted, but they bear their seeming misfortunes with heroic fortitude and always seem to see the bright side of things. Hasten the day when they shall triumph over their afflictions and may health and prosperity attend them forever. Bro Will was out and stayed till after dark. Partially cloudy tonight and feels some like snow. Read some in new book I bought yesterday. Like it much. Want to read it aloud. Soldier Orphans home at Xenia Ohio burned.

Feb 17 Went to Town immediately after breakfast and came right back. Mailed 2 newspapers for Uncle Tim Gee. Learned his trade with J. Goulbourn. One to Chas. Hoiles Greenville Bond Co. Ills, the other to Jacob Loeser brother of Grandmother Goulbourn. the papers contain a notice of her death. Sold 6-1/2 doz eggs for 18 cts per doz. Bot 1 dollars worth of sugar. Patched milk bags. sorted apples & Mark hauled two loads of manure from Jim Reeds. Afternoon took 6 bushels apples to Phil Matthews and 4 bushels to Geo Thomas. ___ cured to F. _____.. Has been snowing steadily since 11 A.M. Brought Nora home in the sled. Snowing here at 9 P.M.

Feb 18 Snow about 6 inches deep this morning. Cloudy and cold Mercury 20 above zero at 8 oclock. Went up town when Nora went to school. Called on Hencilwoods and talked with them about renting store soon. Not much business about town. Crumrine & & Duck are ___ some of their goods. Didn't go to town in afternoon. Rid up the corn crib and granary. Wrote a couple of letters one to A. Pl____ West Liberty, other to E. B. Randall, Spring dale. The former was only 50/100 the latter 12.50. asked them for it. Mark hauled 3 loads manure from Jim Reed's. Nobby has a heifer calf. Sis made a kettle of soup.

Feb 19 Cloudy with considerable snow falling. Put in most of the day in town. tried to sell corn and calf. Wrote postal to Mother. Got letters from Uncle Geo Hise West Liberty and from Aaron Hencilwood of St Joseph Mo. Received first two numbers of American Agriculturist. think I shall like it. Brought Nora home from the schoolhouse at 7-1/2 P.M. She is rehearsing for school entertainment. Aunt Margaret visited in town with Emma Wilson and Aunt Mary Jesse. Mark hauled 2 loaves manure from Firm Gee's. Snowing just at bedtime. Sleighing tip top.

Feb 20 Snowed nearly all day. Spent the day at home. repaired a harness and made new pair of choke straps. At six oclock took Dolly and the sleigh and brought Nora from town. Have another fresh cow. Cherry her heifers calf.

Feb 21 Partially clear and cloudy at intervals. warmer. thawed some. Sleighing splendid. Got a letter from Sister Fannie. Answered it. Went up town and stayed most of the day. Am trying hard to rent our empty storeroom. Sold cow (Nobby) and calf to Mr. Hinchcliff. He willtake her away tomorrow or Monday. Got 40 dollars for her. Mark hauled in fodder from the field and smallload of straw to J. M. Woodruff. Wrote a letter to Harr E. E. Henry, Cleveland concerning P.O. matters.

Feb 22 More snow until noon. Clouded off warmer. Went to town. Sold eggs and cabbage to American Hotel and a chicken to Mrs. Emily Robinson. Had Dr. Rush come out and examine the Baby's eyes. His eyelashes have been stuck together every morning for a week. Very little inflammation of the eye and Dr. thought it nothing serious and would soon pass off. Settled with Jim Trotter. paid him 1.32. Mark took Julia and Lena to Scrabble where they remain all night. At 9 P.M. Clear and a million stars shining.

Feb 23 Snowing like forty when I got up at 6 A.M. Did the milking before breakfast. Stayed at home till 4 P.M. Then went to Scrabble and brought Julia and Lena home. Wind was blowing a strong gale and the drifting snow almost blinded me part of the way. Coming home tho it was better as the wind was on our backs. Ella Hullemyre visited us today. Sis went to McMillans and stayed while I went to Scrabble. Stars shining brightly at nine oclock at which time we retire. after reading aloud a part of one of Dickens Christmas Stories, "The Cricket in the hearth". Like it much.

Feb 24 Found it snowing again this morning. Weather moderately cold. Broke into our largest haystack. hauled three loads to the barn and one to Mr. Kirk. is not no 1 hay.

Mr. Hinchcliff and his brother Harry came out and took away the cow they bought. After supper we were very agreeably surprised by a visit from Eli Fawcett and wife. They stayed till nine oclock and speaking for myself we had a very pleasant evening. They are particular friends of mine and I like them much. Snowing fast at 9 oclock.

Feb 25 Cloudy and raining some as I write at 9 A.M. Have just got another small load of hay in the barn. which leavesour stack in good shape. Aunt Margaret expected to go with Emma Wilson out to Cousin Tom Wilsons but the rain has disappointed them. I will take Sis and Lena over to Uncle Tims. Would like to take little Howell but fear the damp morning might give him cold. Brought Sis and Lena home in good time. Heard today that Aunty Smith a friend of ours from West Liberty was in Alliance. Sent her word that if the snow and sleighing continue a good I would drive up to Alliance and bring her down to Salem. but as I write this I can hear the rain falling fast outside and the snow will melt fast. Shoveled snow off Trinity Block. Jakes room was leaking badly today at the rear end. raining hard at 9 P.M.

Feb 26 Warm and wet at 6 A.M. has turned cold suddenly. Went to town. Settled with Buckeye Co. owed and gave one check for 34.15. Gave Shep 1 dollar. Aunt Margaret and Emma Wilson are here in Town. I went to visit Cousin Tom over Magda____ Wilson. They got back in due time and report a pleasant visit. Mark accompanied them. drove the two mares Dolly & Betty. roads very icy. Nora has gone to a party at Eli Fawcetts. I escorted her to town to Doc Bush's. from there she go with Bessie Rush and (I believe) Willis Kerr. Stayed in town a little while but neither saw or heard anything of importance.

Feb 27 Clear and cold. Rode up to town in the sled as Nora went to school. Norman Garrigues paid me 3.50 being balance for rent of Club room. Labored with Ed Lease trying to rent him store room. think I will yet succeed but at a lower rent than the room ought to bring. But better a "half a loaf than no bread at all" will be my motto in this case. Called on Mrs. England on business. Brought home Article of Agreement for Aunt Margaret Sis & Nora to sign. It concerns a lot on East Main St. and is deeded to Aunt M. by Robert Hole. Mark took grist of corn and oats to mill for cow feed. Express train going west at 4.37. encountered a broken rail near the crossing of west Main St. threw two cars off the track and broke a womans nose. Got a letter from Aunty Smith who is in Alliance. Nora has gone to school Entertainment in Concert Hall. She takes the part of Mrs. Tweezers in "A ___ Family". She rec'd a letter from Edmond Sacket Hise of W.L.

Feb 28 Cloudy and clear at times. Went to town in morning. Got deed for lot No 2 Tolerton & England add. to Salem. Took the deed to Lisbon and left it to be recorded. Sis went with me and called on Dora Bently an old friend whose husband M. L. Bentley is County Treasurer. We had a very pleasant ride and got back home just at dusk. were gone about 5 hours. Went to town after supper. Got a letter from C. E. Henry of Cleveland, Special agent of P.O. dept. Not entirely satisfactory, but as near so as expected. Also recd a letter from Uncle Geo Hise and card from Sister Fannie. Mark brought cow feed from mill and hauled Jim Reed 1038 lbs of hay. Nora is at the hall again

tonight. Moderated some and feels like rain. Rode home with E. McMillan.

Mar 1 The first day of spring opens Clear warm and bright and if the old saying proves true, March will go out like a lion. Contracted this morning with J. B. McNabb and agreed to furnish him tomatoes from one acre of ground at 18 cents per bushel delivered at his packing house in Salem. Sold eggs to American Hotel 7 dozen at 15 cts. Sis and Mark brought home the new rug carpet from Agnes Hencilwoods. very nice. Rented our vacant store room to E. A. Lease. He is to have possession as soon as I can get it ready. Must put up shelving and counter etc. In the evening went to the school entertainment with Nora and Julia. Could not hear the music or what was said on the stage owing to the confounded noise kept up by the audience. made up largely of school children. Cloudy and snowing a little when Mark brought us home at 11 P.M. Wrote a letter in the morning to Uncle Geo Hise.

Mar 2 After breakfast walked over to Jonathan Evan's and chatted with them an hour or so. Went to his nursery and he cut and gave me a lot of ___ that I want to graft into our orchard when the proper time comes. Tied them up, labeled them and put them in the cellar. As I write at 1 P.M. I look out of window and the snow is falling quite fast. Bro Will has just come out from town. I intended to go either to see Geo Martin or over to Uncle Tim's but it snowed so fast I thought best not to venture. Ernest McMillan called and spent the evening with us.

Mar 3 After taking Nora to school Mark and I went out to Carey's farm with the sled and brought our slack box home. sledding pretty good in the morning but as I walked home at noon it is melting fast. In afternoon took 25 bushels of apples to J. M. Brown. got 25 cts per bushel for them. took my pay in groceries. 56 lbs of sugar for 5 dollars. balance in coffee crackers etc. Spent the afternoon in looking about town and making inquiries about cost of shelving etc. Sis went to town with the buggy to bring me home but I rode out with Geo Chessman and missed her. Have leg ache.

Mar 4 Cloudy and damp. Roads sloppy but good. Spent most of the day in town making arrangements to have the storeroom fitted up for E. A. Lease. Bargained with W. C. Hutchison to do the calcimining and paper hanging (if we have any of the latter done.) Sold some brick to Sid Ernest. he hauled 400 or someone did for him. is to get 400 more tomorrow. Geo Thomas paid me for apples we took him some days ago. The Mendelsohn Quintette Club of Boston are giving a concert in Salem tonight. Should like to go but neglected to get tickets until too late to secure good seats. Mark made new brine for our corned beef and moved the wheat out of the parlor into the corn crib. have about 45 bushels.

Mar 5 Went to town early and helped Phil Matthews with a little patching in Jobe's store room. Mr. Hutchinson began work at Calcimining. Gave the ceiling two coats and I do not think it looks very well yet. Bot 8 drawers for middle room from Lewis Keene and engaged him to make the balance of them about 7 more. Geo Meredith made out a bill of lumber needed for shelving and I bought 12 ___ 2 x 4 scantting from Stratton & David for

which I paid 1.92. Loaded 300 brick for Gill Ernest. Mark and Johnny hauled hay from stack into barn. Aunt Sarah and Alice McMillan spent the evening with us. Cloudy & warm. Aunt Margaret visited at Geo Wilkins today.

Mar 6 Raining hard when I got up this morning. Mark and I went before breakfast and covered the hog stack with corn fodder. Slacked up raining about 9 or 10 and we took a load of brick to Geo Merediths flooring mill. In afternoon after they were surfaced took them to store room. Nice lumber. Hauled Geo Martins tool chest and work bench down and he will begin work at the shelving tomorrow. Finished and mailed a letter to Mother. Sent a line to Geo Lucas informing him that his claim against the Estate would not be allowed. Mrs. Mary Smith a friend from West Liberty is with us tonight. I brought her in the buggy from Judge Lanbus (her brother) this afternoon. Roads very muddy. Nora went with Alice and Arth McMillan to a musical entertainment at Presbyterian Church.

Mar 7 Clear and bright. Helped what I could at the storeroom. ____ Ernest and Geo Martin are working at the shelving. Hutchinson got the calcimining partly done. Lent one dollar to Jos. Vick for seeds. Mrs. Smith went back to Lambins today and from there to Alliance. Mark and Shep hauled 3 loads of hay of 2 ton each to different places in town. wrote a postal to Sister Fannie. Ratie Gee and Mrs. Young called. Fine ____ today.

Mar 8 Cloudy with some rain in forenoon. I topped out an old chimney top for Rev. Phillips (Colored preacher). had a mean dirty job of it and got for it only a promise to pay. Cleared off about noon and the balance of the day was warm and pleasant as May. Went to town in afternoon. Collected one months rent of J. L. Brown. Hutchinson finished calciminingmiddle room. He got some shoes of Jobes on our acct. Sold 8 doz eggs at American Hotel. 12 cts. Went to the brewery and got 1 doz. bottles of beer for my own use. I dislike to use it but my digestion is getting bad again and that is the best medicine I have tried. Caleb Arner called and spent the evening. He is a student at Oberlin and returns there in a few days. Beautiful night. Clear warm and bright. Got a catalogue from D. M. Farry & Co. Detroit. Johnathan Evans brought me the deed that I took to Lisbon for record on Feb 28,

Mar 9 Clear warm and pleasant. Trimmed a couple of grapevines in the yard and prospected for a hot bed. Am not well and do not feel like doing much. Nora Gertie Wait and Bro. Will walked over to Uncle Tims and Aunt Margaret and I followed them in the buggy after dinner. Found Maggie better and the rest of the folks tolerably well. Went into Uncle Tims orchard and cut some c___ from gate and Shitzenberg apples. Got home before dark. quite warm tonight and has the appearance of rain before morning. Gertie Wait stayed all night. Am somewhat feverish and my bones ache effects of a cold I presume.

Mar 10 Quite warm and pleasant. Made frame for hot bed and Mark hauled manure for the same and piled it in the garden. ___ took a small load of straw to J. M. Woodruff. Took 38 heads of cabbage to town and sold it for $1.63. Brought home the old clock which has been sitting in Crumrines store for sometime. Must have it put in running

order. Shep made some hooks and stapes for hot bed frame. I feel miserable am almost sick with a cold.

Mar 11 Sis put a mustard plaster on my chest last night and it nearly cooked me. slept pretty well the latter part of the night but felt too unwell to leave my bed till noon. Afternoon went up town on the wagon with Mark who hauled some stuff to Joe Brown for chicken yard. Loaded 500 brick for Charley Saxon and 600 for Joe Eldridge. Has been a bright day tho some cooler than yesterday. Roads are pretty bad. Nora goes with Shep to Literary. One of McMillans horses undertook to jump the gate at the end of our lane and got fast on it. Don't know how long she hung there as Mark and I were in town. Some young man passing along the road called Sis out and they got her off.

Mar 12 Lovely day but I had to stay in bed till 1 oclock. Felt better in afternoon and Mark Johnny and I made a hot bed. Sent Mark up town to buy more lumber for afternoon. it cost 4.28. Sis and Shep put new carpet down in the sitting room. It looks very well. Think I feel better tonight.

Mar 13 Passed a miserable night being troubled as with coughing. Think I am better today. Mark and I made a trellis for grapevines the Pane. I worked at it almost the entire day. Mark hauled in the balance of corn fodder. thinks there will be enough to last until the 1st of April. Sis went to town in forenoon & stayed till towards evening. took dinner at David Yingling. Julia is in town in evening. Rec'd the seeds from James Vick. sent for them a few days ago. Splendid weather.

Mar 14 Walked up town about ten oclock and stayed there till 4 P.M. Saw J F Saxon and got some advice and medicine from him. Went up to the water works and got Dave Warrington to turn 5 acorns for drops on brackets for the shelving. Carpenters have it about done, and I hired Wm Lampson to paint it. he began immediately and probably got the first coat on before night. Sent him a sack of flour from Van ___e's mill. Mark hauled manure from Mac Woodruffs. Roads drying fast but bad in places. Considerably cooler at night and will freeze pretty hard I think.

Mar 15 Turned colder and snowed just a little. Carpenters finished at the store room before noon and the shelving has one coat of paint. Got the counter in from Jobes room. Traded Dr Firestone 4 iron hitching posts for a counter 10 feet long. will get it next week. Took Mr. Lampson a shoulder of pork 21 lbs. Mark went to his Brother Pats. went in the cars. Got a letter from Sister Fannie West Liberty. thinks we may look for Mother and Frank next week. Uncle Wm has trouble again with his leg. Sis and Nora gathered the eggs this evening and found 49. Levi Straley brought his meat to smoke.

Mar 16 Mark being away I did the feeding and gave the horses a good rubbing down. After dinner went with Aunt Margaret over to Uncle Tims. Found them as well as usual. Sis made Aunt Mary a present of a rug. Came home in good time. Clouded up and began to snow fast. Joe Thomas & Otis Silver called out and spent the Evening.

Mar 17 St. Patricks day in the morning with 3 or 4 inches of snow on the ground. Rode up town with Nora & Shep in the buggy. Stayed til noon and Sis came up for me. Mark came home at seven. Hauled some boards up to storeroom and brought some shavings home. also a door from Geo Martins shop. Brought some shelving from one of Dr. Whineys rooms on broadway and put it in storeroom. also put in the counter I bought from Dr. Firestone. it is a good one. Wrote a letter to mother. Weather cold and cloudy. Uncle Tim brought some more meat to have smoked.

Mar 18 Cloudy and cold. Helped Geo Martin put up a shelf to keep flour & ___ in storeroom. got it done middle of the afternoon. Loaded 700 brick for Charly Saxon. Mark hauled 20 bushels coal for Mr. Lampson. Got 91 eggs today. Am not well a week ____.

Mar 19 Pretty cold. Spent most of the day in town helping what I could at the storeroom. Geo Martin finished repairs on shelving from Whinery's and I gave it a coat of paint. Morlan did some graining. Sold 14 dozen eggs at American Hotel at 11 cents per doz. Nora came to town with Dolly and the buggy and brought me home. freezing pretty hard.

Mar 20 Cloudy and damp. Geo Martin came out early this morning and went to work putting in a door between the parlor and bedroom adjoining which is to be Aunt Martaret's kitchen. He didn't get quite done and will come back tomorrow. I went to town twice during the day and helped some about the storeroom. Some of Lease's goods came today. Mark went to town with ____ and hauled Geo Martin work bench to his shop. Got Will Hise to shoe Bay Charlie. Tried to sell him and had a man look him over, but didn't call yet. Walked home at six oclock through a heavy snowstorm. Sowed some tomato seeds in hot bed today.

Mar 21 Snow three inches deep on the ground this morning but melted some during the day. Lease received lots of goods and began opening up. Crumrine & Duck removed most of their things. Lease's rent begins Today. I put handles on the drawers and I think finished every thingI had to do at storeroom. Wrote a letter to Aunt Phebe West Liberty concerning a mistake made by Uncle Howell when he wrote the deed conveying her lot to A. B. Pidgeon. Geo Martin finished the door etc a little afternoon. Aunt Margaret went to town in afternoon and Nora came with Doll and the buggy and brought me home. Settled with W. Samson for painting store room. H. Ritzell was Lease's first customer.

Mar 22 Rained pretty hard most of the forenoon and was drizzly and cloudy all day. Did some chores around the house and wrote out article of lease in duplicate for E. A. lease and ourselves. Mark and Johnny got finished 4 iron hitching posts. want them for Dr. Firestone. Went to town after dinner and stayed till six oclock. Got a letter from Sister Fan. Bought butter, tea & coffee etc.

Mar 23 Cloudy with occasional flakes of snow. Nora and I gave the parlor a coat of

paint. I made some mortar to do a little patching tomorrow. After dinner walked over to Uncle Tims. Got back at six oclock. Mark went to Leetonia and back by rail. Will has been out all day and as I write he and Nora are singing and playing. Little Howell is having a gay time and feels first rate.

Mar 24 Had all kinds of weather. snow early in the morning then sunshine and rain. afternoon hail and thunder. Wrote a letter to Sister Fan and a few lines to Albert Teeters enclosing a note for fifty nine dollars which we jointly hold against Gustav Burkhart of West Liberty. Painted till noon then went to town and stayed a couple of hours. Paid R. B. Rush $14.04 interest. Received an invitation to a surprise party on Joe and Jennie Howell. this being the 20th anniversary of their wedding. Aunt Margaret and I went. Joe & Jennie were completely surprised. The house was crowded with their friends and "all went merry as a marriage bell". The presents were a very handsome sett of china and two or three other small articles. Aunt Margaret stayed all night at Uncle Jesses and I came home at half past 10. Overtook Arth McMillan and we walked home together.

Mar 25 More like spring and the sun shone the greater part of the day. Sowed some more tomato seed in small hot bed and worked some on a larger one. Mark hauled 20bu. of coal for Stephen Ackerman. In afternoon hauled a load of hay out of town to Lewis Keen. Sold two hams to Milton Davis. weighed 48 lbs. got 10-1/2 cts per lb. Articled with G. A. Lease and he now has the room for 1 year. hope he will do well and think he will. He certainly has a nice store.

Mar 26 Cloudy with heavy rain in afternoon. Mark and I hauled two loads of hay to Alex Pow. 2545 lbs in all. Brought Nora (who has a boil on her arm) home from school in the buggy. Johnny made and ironed a singletree and worked some on hitching posts.

Mar 27 Cloudy and damp. Ground too wet to do much out of doors. Cleaned up the shop and put things to right. Aunt Ura Sharpnack and her daughter Aimee Seeds and two children visited us today. Mark took them home in the wagon. Took 8 bushels of wheat to Mill. Was in town a while. bought some whiting & other ingredients for making whitewash. Got a card from Bro. Frank informing us that we may look for Mother and himself tomorrow morning. Am making these notes at two oclock in the morning having neglected to do it last evening and being unable to sleep. Have been reading Tribune and Agriculturist-both of which are full of good things each in its own way.

Mar 28 Cloudy and partially clear at times. More pleasant than for several days previous. Sis and Nora Mark & myself went to the depot at half past 4 to meet Mother and Frank. They came all safe and were very much surprised (agreeably too) to find that Aunt Libbie Hise was with them. Brought them all to Unserheim and afternoon Sis took Aunt Libbie over to her Sisters Mrs. Hannah Whites. Am very glad they have come. Nina and Mabel came out in afternoon. Ratie Gee was also here a while. Will come out after supper. Mark and I made new hotbed and got it ready for the dirt. Wrote a card to Uncle Geo telling him of the safe arrival of the folks.

Mar 29 Whitewashed the ceiling in Aunt Margarets sitting room. hard work for me. Went to town after noon. Walked to Hannah Whites and took a shawl to Aunt Libbie. it came by express. Bought some butter etc of Ed Lease, and a pair of shoes of Jobes for Julia. Walked to town with Nora and Julia after supper and am tired. Mother feels some rested after her tiresome journey. ___ if fully as well as she expected. Had and am having more rain tonight. Ground very wet and roads awfully muddy. Mark sifted some sand and did other chores. Received a letter for myself and a deed for Aquilla Pidgeon from Aunt Phebe.

Mar 30 Cloudy, cold, damp and disagreeable. Will came out before breakfast. Had a good deal of company. Ernest McMillans Gertie and Myron Wait were here for dinner. In afternoon Aunt Mary and Uncle Jesse Hise and Mabel came out. All stayed till dark. Before the last named 4 had come Sis and I went to Mr. Gaileys not finding them at home we went to Gibbon's and from there to Berry Killomans. Mother has not been out of bed today. Mark tells me as I went that we have another fresh cow. Covered hot bed with blankets as I fear it will freeze tonight. 51 eggs today. Ought to have written some letters but didn't.

Mar 31 Ground frozen pretty hard this morning and a cold wind from the north blew all day. Received a card from Mrs. Mary A. Smith (Flo's Mother) requesting one to meet her at the depot at noon. I did so and brought her home with me. Sara McMillan called a while in eveningand took supper with us. Mark and Frank sorted our potatoes and rid up the cellar. Took the bed off the old open buggy. am going to take it to town and have it turned into a spring wagon. Delivered a deed from Aunt Phebe to Aquilla Pidgeon. Tried to rent upstairs rooms in Trinity Block to Jerry Saxon but failed. He preferred rooms on first-floor and got them of Robert Tolerton. Wrote and mailed a letter to Sister Fannie. Bought 2 lb tea.

Apr 1 Cloudy and cold for time of year. Mark and I hauled sand and brick for topping some chimneyson depot street-but I thought it was too cold to go to work at them. Hauled two loads of dirt from the woods and Frank put it in the hot bed. Hauled 1825 lbs hay to Aaron Wilson and squared accts with him. he owed and paid me 38 cents. Sis and Aunty Smith visited at Uncle Tims and after returning from there Aunty went to her brothers. P. A. Laubie. Mabel Garrigues (my niece) is here to stay all night. Went to town after supper and settled with Crumrine & Duck. they owed and gave me a check on Greiners Bank for $79.83. Sold 10 doz eggs for 1 dollar. Nora and Frank went to theatre. Effie Ellslee Hays in H. M S Pinafore.

Apr 2 Cold. The cutter broke out of the barnyard last night and Mark and I worked at some new gates. Went to town after dinner. Paid Jackson Cottur 160 dollars interest. Jobes paid me 50 dollars on his rent. Robert Hole paid me 16 dols and Benj. Greenamyer 8-13/100. Mark and Frank hauled in some old hay from the stacks and threw it in the barnyard. Will make manure and is good for nothing else. Shep took Dolly and the buggy and went to New Garden. got back before night. Ordered some seeds from I. M Ferry &

Co. Detroit. Sis and Nora finished hanging paper in the parlor and began putting down the carpet. Snowed a little towards night.

Apr 3 Cold and stormy. Snowed all day. Mark and I worked at our gate till about 2 oclock then went to town to vote at the Primary election. felt somewhat interested in our neighbor Andrew Gailey and voted for him for Assessor. Intended to buy some bolts for gate but forgot them. Shep blacksmithed some. When I walked home about 6 P.M. the snow was falling about as fast as at anytime during the winter. Got Tribune and Republican. Mr. Gailey received almost as many votes as the other 8 candidates for Assessor, and received the nomination. hope he will be elected on Monday next.

Apr 4 Cloudy and cold with some snow. Went up town right after breakfast and got the bolts that I forgot yesterday. Put in the balance of the day working in the shop. Made another gate. Shep & Frank blacksmithed. finished all the hitching posts and did some other small jobs.

Apr 5 Worse weather (if any different) than yesterday. Took 7 dozen eggs to Ed Lease Bought butter beans and a new bucket. Mark hauled 20 bushels of coal for Sam Gibbons. The roads are terrible and if G. could have got coal in any other way we should have been loth to turn out. Sis Nora & I went to town after dinner. The girls bought some shoes for Little Howell and did some other shopping. I rented two upstairs rooms in Trinity Block. one to Mr. Jobes and the other to some young fellows for a clubroom. Jo Brown paid his house rent and Jas. Kirk paid me $8.75 for hay and for and for mowing some last summer. Bought a ticket for Concert Monday night. Bot it of Norman Garrigues. Quite chilly out of doors but sun set clear.

Apr 6 Clear & bright-warmer than for some days past. Sowed tomato Radish, celery & cabbage and in new hot bed. Walked down to saw mill and looked the ground over for a potato patch. trimmed a couple of apple trees. After dinner walked over to see the lot we have on East Main Street. side walk needs some repairs which we will attend to as soon as the roads get better. Just now they are fearfully bad. Walked up town a while. Lots of callers today. Norman Nina and Mabel . _____ and Marietta Gibbons, Uncle Tim Gee, Lara Alice and Ernest McMillan and Bro Will. Am not feeling very well tonight. Mark has been quite unwell today but feels better at bedtime. His brother Pat came about dark and will remain all night. Young folks went to McMillans.

Apr 7 Bright and clear but a cool raw wind from the north all day. Hung the new gate we made for the barnyard. Made a good job of it. (Mark is still unwell but feels some better than yesterday. thinks he has a touch of ague. His brother Pat took breakfast and dinner with us. Aunt Libbie is with us tonight. Frank having brought her over from Hannah Whites. We are all glad to have her. Frank and I have just got home from town (half past ten). Attended a concert by “Swedish lady Vocal Quartet”. I was much pleased with it and think they are wonderfully fine singers. There was a man with them also and he can get more music out of a harp than anyone I ever saw before. Lovely night. Moon shining full & Bright.

Apr 8 Weather all that could be desired. Topped out chimney on depot street. Frank attended me. We got three of them done and have 1 to go yet. Am somewhat tired in evening. Sis and the Baby and Aunt Libbie went over to Uncle Tims.

Apr 9 Finished chimneyson depot street about ten oclock. Hauled sand and brick to build a chimney in Town Hall. Felt about played out in afternoon. got some medicine from Dr. Rush. Aunt Mary Hise, Aunt Lib Wait, Sister Nina and Sara McMillan visited us today. Aunt Libbie Hise went home with her brother John Gant in afternoon. Benny, Jennie and Annie Hillsman calledafter supper and spent the evening. I felt too unwell to enjoy their company but am glad they came. Frank and Nora went to Cattells.

Apr 10 Pretty warm with several showers during the day. Got foundation ready for chimney at Town Hall but didn't feel well enough to lay brick. Mark plowed the old potato patch and sowed in oats and clover. Frank and I hauled two loads of brick. One to Nate Faulk and the other to Town Hall. Felt much better than I did last evening.

Apr 11 Clear with a cold wind blowing from the north. Mark and Frank sowed clover seed on the two wheat fields and in afternoon plowed some for oats. I worked at chimney in Town Hall. Got along very well considering the kind of plow I have to work. Have to have two tenders this afternoon and hoisted the stuff with rope and pulley. Took my dinner at Jos. Casselberry's restaurant. Sis came for me with the buggy this evening. Received package of seeds from D. M. Ferry & Co. Detroit.

Apr 12 Worked all day on chimney at Hall. Mark and Frank hauled 1 load sand and two loads of brick and in afternoon plowed oats ground. Went to town after supper and stayed till 8-1/2 oclock. Got a letter from Sister Fan. Still pretty cold. Ice froze : in thick last night.

Apr 13 Cloudy with a shower at two during the day. Pretty cool. got up pretty early and sifted some sand before breakfast. Trimmed a couple of apple trees. staked off a place for tomatoes in oats field. Frank took Shep and his trunk to New Garden. He (Shep) starts in to finish his trade with Mr. Little. After dinner Sis and Baby & I went over to Uncle Tim's. Sowed some Early cabbage in hot bed also some flower seed for Aunt Margaret. Aunt Lib Wait and children spent the evening. Began a letter to Sister Fan.

Apr 14 Built a chimney on East high street for Nate Faulk. He paid me the cash as soon as done. Mark and Frank got in some oats. Rec'd letter from Tom Sharp giving his side of the case. it does not suit me and brings us no nearer a settlement. Will take a little time to think it over before I reply to it. Cloudy and raining some at 7 P.M.

Apr 15 Cloudy and cool and drizzled rain a while in forenoon. Finished chimney at Town Hall. It was a hard job and very unhandy to get material up. Am glad it is done. Aunt Mary Gee and Ratie visited us today. Aunt Libbie Hise is with us again Nora having

brought her from Hannah Whites this evening. Mark and Frank hauled six loads of manure. 5 from Jim Reeds and one from Fish Reed. Began making out Tax list for Assessor.

Apr 16 Cool for spring. Frank and I hauled stuff away from Town Hall and cinder from gas works and repaired sidewalk on East Main St. Mark fell off a load of manure and hurt his neck seriously. He laid by this afternoon. I got some embrocation from Vickers and Sis bathed his neck. Tonight he feels some better. Wrote a letter to Thos. Sharp and mailed one to Sister Fan that I wrote yesterday. Got a letter from Uncle Geo. and answered it. Went to town after awhile but didn't tarry long. Sold 11 dozen eggs.

Apr 17 Cloudy cold and wet. Rained slowly a good part of the forenoon. Frank and I hauled 4 loads of brick without getting much wet. Mark is not able to do anything on account of his stiff neck. Engaged to put a filter in cistern for Dr Whinery. Bought a large tile at the pottery to make it of. tile cost 50 cents. The women folks except Mother spent the afternoon and took supper at Uncle Jesses. I took black Charley and the carriage and brought them home at 7 oclock. Aunty Smith came on the 4.37 train from Pittsburgh and came to Unserheim in the cab. We are glad to see her and would have met her at the depot if we known she was coming. Drizzling rain slowly at 8-1/2 oclock.

Apr 18 Quite cold for time of year. Frank and I hauled cinder for Woodruff. pavement is fine now. After noon hauled 1700 brick for the same and 600 to Stratton T Daniel. Mark being unable to do anything else drove the women folks to town. Mother went to Nina's to stay a few days. Couldn't prevail on Aunty Smith to stay and she went to Alliance to her sisters Mrs. Wm McLerun. Cold wind from north.

Apr 19 Clear but still pretty cool. Laid Woodruffs pavement. Got done by 4 oclock. Frank and Allan Hise to help took 1000 brick to Dr Whinery. Sis and Little Howell and Aunt Libbie visited at Nina's today. I went up town. took supper at Nina's and stayed in town till after 9 oclock. Mr. Holloway paid $5.00 on acct. owes 2 yet. Aunt Libbie bought the Baby a new hat. She did not return to Unserheim with Sis. (who came home before dark) but went to Hannah Whites. Auction sale of buggies in Lisbon today. Went off slowly. Thomas Horner bought one (another buggy) for 39 dollars cash.

Apr 20 Clear and pleasant. finished wood work of filter for Dr Whinery. Sis and I took Little Howell to Hewitts Picture Gallery to have his picture taken but he wouldn't keep still long enough at a time and we were forced to come away without it. Went up town after dinner and stayed till 5 oclock. Came home and put eggs under a couple of sitting hens at the Barn. Nora and I went to McMillans and stayed the evening. Met Mrs. Emerson Bentley of New Orleans. I knew her husband s ago before he went South. Tho since I think of it-I believe his parents were there when his Father died. At any rate I worked with him harvesting at McMillans several years ago.

Apr 21 Warm and Bright. Lovely day. Frank and I hauled 5 loads of brick 2 to Dr Whinery and 3 to James Phillips. In afternoon I put a filter in Dr Whinery's Cistern. Mark

plowed for oats and marked out potato patch. Frank plowed a little in afternoon. Mrs. Lizzie Girsher visited us today.

Apr 22 Clear and warm. Frank and Mark finished our oats. got them all sowed before night. Want to roll the field if we get time. I planted some early potatoes. Aunt Margaret dropped them. Went up town afternoon. sold 6 bushels of potatoes. some of them for 50 cents and some for 90. Went to Buckeye and got another filter pipe. Met Tom Sharp on the street and had a long confab with him. I hope to some purpose.

Apr 23 Clear warm and bright. Mark and Frank plowed for Chessman. I trimmed apple trees and got most awfully tired. Went to town with Sis and the Baby and got his picture taken. Think we got a good one. Dr Whinery paid me two dollars on account. Alexander Pow died.

Apr 24 Another nice day. Hauled brick. 2 loads to Dr Whinery two hundred to Robert Campbell two miles on Goshen road. 3 hundred to Mary Negus. In afternoon we planted 4 maple trees for Mrs. Trimble and one for Wm Hinchliffe. got them in Philip Evan's woods. Mark plowed potato patch for Mr. Kirk. Went up town after supper. Bought a new basket from E. A. Lease. Had a talk with Tom Sharp.

Apr 25 Somewhat cloudy and cooler. Hauled a load of Brick to Dr Whinery. Jessie Duck wanted us to haul dirt for him out of the cellar on Main St. and offered his horse and buggy for the women folks to drive. So Aunt Margaret Aunt Libbie Sis and Little Howell all went over to Uncle Tims. Mark Rolled the oats and in afternoon hauled manure from town. Took white corn to Sells. Frank hauled dirt for Jess Duck. Went up town in afternoon but didn't do much. Alexander Pow was buried. The funeral was very large one. Women folks got home in good time and Frank took Ducks horse home. Paid Kirk Allen & Thomas 10 dollars on account and took wire to Sam Eltores to have a sand screen made.

Apr 26 Mark and I put in 4 iron hitching posts for Dr Firestone. hauled 200 brick to D Whinery and took fodder and barrel of lime to Dr Rushs house on High street ready to top out chimneys. Bought a new plow share and will have to buy a land side as we find ours broken (carelessly I suspect.) Paid Allen Hise 3 dollars and he got a 3 dollar pair of shoes from Jobes on our acct. That with a suit of clothes (22 dollars) that he is getting from Robt. Justice on our acct. will be all we owe him. Went to town in afternoon. Settled with James Stanley. owed and paid him 21.50. Settled with N. H. Gleckler and Boswell & Dobbins. owed and paid the former 28.89 and the latter 4.33. Am glad to be able to pay them. Rec'd pay for building chimney in Town Hall 26.77. Woodruff & Sons paid me 2.90 in an old acct. Paid Jobes 3 dollars for Allens shoes. Frank hauled dirt for Jesse Duck and Mark plowed Wetmore's garden. Bought some pear and onion setts. Sis and Aunt Libbie went to town in evening. The latter is not very well and went to see Dr. Rush. Mother who is at Sister Ninas is not so well. Weather clear and warm and a rain would help some things.

Apr 27 Squared the cornfield for Mark. Measured the length of the lane we propose to sell to Thos Sharp. 1730 feet to middle of the road. Took Aunt Libbie over to John Gannts and left her there. Looked for her back this evening but she did not come. Little Howell went with me. Went to Bare's greenhouse in afternoon with the girls and bought some plants. Frank brought Mother home. She is rather poorly. Somewhat cooler in evening but no rain. Gibbons turned cattle in our pasture. After I had written the_____ a woman and child came and asked to stay all night. We keep them. Rained a little about 9 P.M.

Apr 28 Rained a little in the morning but soon cleared off and we went to work in the garden. I went down to Josiah Bares and got some plants of different kinds. Planted about 200 strawberries and have some asparagus to plant tomorrow if favorable. Put out a couple of concord grapevine, and moved a peach tree from the garden to the yard. Planted some peas. Nora brought Aunt Ura in the buggy and she will remain allnight. Aunt Libbie came from her brothers this afternoon. Ratie Gee called. Nine and Mabel were also here. A valuable Ayrshire Cow belonging to our neighbor Mr. Kirk died.

Apr 29 Clear and warm. Worked in the garden most of the day. Planted Beets, Beans, Parsnips, ____, Asparagus, Onions, Lettuce and Celery. Put out a couple dozen Raspberry plants. Went to the station to see Aunt Libbie off for Iowa. She will have company as Johnathan Mendenhall of this place is going to Oshaloosa Iowa and will go as far as Wilt___ Junction on same train. Went with Aunt Libbie on board the cars and saw her get a good seat. Would liked to have had her stay longer but she was anxious to get home. She is one of the best of women. Aunt Margaret Sis and little Howell and I went up town a while after the train left. Bought wall paper for upstairs bedroom. Got one of Little Howells photographs, a good one and sent it to Uncle Geo. The balance will be done in a day or two. E. A. Lease & Co paid me rent of storeroom to May 1, 1879. Mark H_____ Wrote a letter to Sister Fan West Liberty Iowa.

Apr 30 Quite cold. Trimmed apple trees all forenoon with my coat on. Put rings in hogs noses and turned them in the orchard. Hauled a load of coal from Parks bank in afternoon. Took spring wagon to ___ shop to have it painted. Brought home sand screen. Uncle Howell ordered the wire last year and had it made extra heavy. I thought it worth a better job of wood work than I could do myself so got Sam Elton to do it. He made it right. Mark plowed sod and Frank piled brush in the orchard and wheeled brick bats out of brick sheds.

May 1 Clear but still quite cool. Frank and I hauled some hay out of stack into barn and one load to Jim Reed. hauled 500 brick to Dr Whinery. Mark plowed sod. took his plow to town and got shear sharpened. I went over to Uncle Tims after supper and returned borrowed hog ringer from them to town. bought tea & coffee. Nora and Frank at Literary.

May 2 Hauled the balance of stack of hay into the barn and a small "Jug" to Lawson Harper. Took 800 brick to Stratton and Daniel made bed for transplanting tomato plants

and hauled two loads of earth from the woods. Went to town after supper. Sold 12-1/2 dozen eggs. High school reading circle meets at "Unserheim" tonight. The parlor is filled with young folks. Mark finished plowing one of our corn fields. Levi Straghley called in evening.

May 3 Partially cloudy and cool. Mark plowed a lot for Firman Gee got it done by 4 oclock. Frank and I done various jobs. Planted a dozen trees of various kinds. Transplanted some tomato plants into new bed. Levi Straley borrowed our Roller and rolled his oats. Went to town after supper. Jake Lee paid one two dollar house rent making 3 he has paid me. still behind 15 dollars. Put up some brass chain on gas burners in Lease's room as I was afraid the lamps he uses would bend them. Cloudy in the evening and rained a very little. Will stays all night. Julia went to Elijah Whinerys.

May 4 The morning opens cloudy and cool and as I write this at 7 A.M. is raining a little. Was up first this morning and have the milking done and trimmed a Quince tree by the garden gate. After breakfast Mark and I went around the back fences and straightened them up and turned our cattle out. Rained on us some but not enough to wet us through. Made out tax list and took it to Mr. Gailey and chatted an hour or so with him & his wife. Their home is our old one and it still looks very inviting to me. Would be glad to own it again. but am well satisfied with our trade. Painted wood work of my sand screen. Sis and I walked out after the cows and did the milking. Julia got home before dark. Nora Frank and Will spent the day at Aunt Ura's. Cloudy all day.

May 5 Hauled a load of hay to Geo Chessman. Mark hauled stumps and cleaned up ground by the saw mill. Samuel Gibbons & I built rail fence. I laid the w___, the first I ever did but made a good job of it. Frank hauled rails. In afternoon Mark plowed for Chessman. Intended to set out more plants in new hotbed but it does not suit me, and will have to put manure in it to warm it up. Gailey turned his cow on pasture.

May 6 Paved a cellar on depot st for Stratton & Daniel. Mark plowed for Chessman and Frank hauled manure for hotbed and picked stone from meadow. Rode home from town with Sis who came for me. Rec'd card from Howell Hise West Liberty. Answered it.

May 7 Cold and disagreeable on the top of a house where I spent the entire day. Topped out 4 chimneys for Dr Rush. Have two to go yet. Frank attended me. Went up town in the buggy after supper. Sold 7 or 8 thousand brick to Lewis Keene for Joel Sharp and agreed to lay them. Am very tired tonight and go to bed soon after getting home. Mark finished plowing for Chessman and got his plow sharpened.

May 8 Hauled a load of hard brick to Perry Stove Co. Our household goods arrived today and we hauled them home. Charges on them were 33.72 which I paid. Also got a trunk by Express. Hauled a load of clay for Walter Deming for horse stable. Got Dolly shod in front and while waiting went to Dr Whinerys office and rec'd pay for brick and filter furnished. 32 dollars. John Woodruff paid me 2 dollars all he owed me. Mark plowed sod down by the saw mill. Walked down after supper. will make a nice potato

field. Weather today warmer and more pleasant than for some day previous.

May 9 Clear and warm. finished topping out chimneys for Dr Rush had a miserable dirty job. Frank harrowed corn ground in forenoon. Mark plowing sod. Went up town with Sis after supper. Paid John Satterthwait 38.50 interest which strapped me.

May 10 Morning clear and bright. Got up early and spread manure in hot bed before breakfast. Paved Engine room at Perry Stove works. Frank attended me. Afternoon Mark and Frank went to Marks brother Patrick Lynn. He lives in Stark Co. near Harrisburg. I hauled 200 brick to Perry Stove Co. and 850 to Fish Reed. Hauled another load of clay for Walter Deming. Collected House rent of Joe Brown ($6). Did not get home till after 7 oclock. ought to go to town tonight but am too tired and it is late. Mo West turned his cow on pasture Shed later didn't like it and wouldn't stay.

May 11 Got up early and brought the cows. done the feeding and other chores before breakfast. Sis and I walked down across the fields and to Gibbons after dinner. Turned our three steers into lower pasture. Uncle Jesse and wife and Nina and Mabel were out this afternoon as was also Bro Will. Mark and Frank got back from Pats in good time. In the evening it being very pleasant the young folks and myselfsat out on the front porch and I spun them yarn about my old steamboat life. I have not talked or even thought so much about it for many a day but I can recall many pleasing incidents. It is now nearly 13 years since I left the Steamer "Horner" at Memphis, and I have never wanted very badly to return. Occasionally tho a desire comes to turn a ____ valve again, but I much prefer to be at home and enjoy a quiet life. Weather still dry but very pleasant. Had 19 chickens hatched today.

May 12 Clear and quite warm. Went to town right after breakfast. Got Jake Lee to work wheeling soft brick and casing at Kiln. Paid Gibbons and his son Joe, repaired fence on Foundry Hill. Agreed to put in a filter for Robert Hampson. Bought tile and went to work making it. Got single burners repaired. Sold 12-1/2 dozen eggs. Mark and Frank worked in corn field harrowing and marking out. also got Firm Gee's lot ready to plant. Frank planted lot of tomato plants. Little Howell is not very well.

May 13 All worked planting corn. have a splendid day for it and got one field (5 acres) in for ourselves and then planted an acre for Firm Gee. Jake Lee, Sam C. Gibbons and his son Joe helped us. After supper went to town. Attended a lecture in Town Hall by B. F. Underwood. The lecture was good and the after piece was magnificent in it way. It was an answer to a circular which have been very extensively distributed in Salem. Answering a difficulty between Mr. Underwood and "Clark Braden". Late President of Abingdon College Illinois". Underwood gave him the worst scaring I ever heard any body yet. He (Braden) was there and took it all. Said he wanted an investigation. But as U. had nothing to be investigated he of course refused. But if the Christian Church wanted to investigate-Clark Braden we would furnish a committee all the documents bearing on the case in his possession provided they were returned to him. It is now after eleven oclock and I thought I was tired before I went to town. It is very warm and I am sweating as I

write. Has clouded up and looks more like rain but I fear it will again give us the go by. Walter Deming paid me 2 dollars for clay. Little Howell better.

May 14 Clear and Cloudy by turns but no rain here. a little fell in Salem but hardly enough to lay the dust. Finished the filter for Robert Hampson and put it in cistern. Frank helped me. Mark finished plowing in lower potato patch. Johnny Shepherd and a Mr. Camp of New Garden took supper with us.

May 15 A very refreshing shower fell about midnight last night and this morning vegetation looked the better for it. Have another shower or two during the day, but did not hinder our work much. Planted corn potatoes and beans down by the mill. Went to town in the buggy after supper. sold 12-1/2 dozen eggs. sent Pat Lyons a box of pumpkin seeds by Express. Very dark and drizzling since when I retired at 9 oclock. Ratie Gee called this afternoon and took supper.

May 16 Hauled brick. Mark took down casing and wheeled away rubbish from the Kiln. Planted a little sweet corn and hoed beans and peas. Went down to Bare's after supper. Sis got a verbena and I sold him a thousand tomato plants for $3.50 and am to deliver them in the morning. Cooler tonight and may frost a little. Mother got a letter from Sister Fan.

May 17 Got up early and Sis and I hauled the 1000 tomato plants and delivered them to Josiah Bare. Hauled a load of sawdust to Mrs. Trimble. Hauled brick to different places. Mark plowed a patch for beets and sweet corn and planted some potatoes and brown corn down at lower patch. Sis and Nora and little Buntin went to town in afternoon. drove black Charley. Nora bought a pair of shoes of Jobe. Mark Frank and I went to town after supper. I sat around on the dry goods boxes until tired. Jennings Helman paid me $1.65 part pay for rent of club room. The boys don't come the time and if they don't pay up Ill shut the room. Bought some nice fresh fish from Mr. Allen today. Bought a bottle of Hostetters Bitters for Mother. Agreed to Cement Dr Whinery's cistern. It is a new one, never had water in but once and that wouldn't stay. I will make it hold water or take no pay. James Phillips paid me 8 dollars. Shep came from New Garden and left his horse here.

May 18 Put a new board in wagon bed. cut Myron Waits hair and then Sis Little Howell & myself went over to Uncle Tim's. Stayed till towards evening and had of course, a pleasant visit. After coming from there I went to see Reason Bricker. Took Aunt Margaret as far as Harriet Armer's and stopped for her when I came from Bricker's. Had several callers. mostly young folks. Nina and Mabel were out. Sis and Baby went to McMillans in the evening. Watered hot beds after night. Daniel Bonsall died.

May 19 Frank and I hauled brick in forenoon and afternoon cemented a cistern for Dr Whinery. Mark hauled a couple of loads of sand and got his horses shod. Weather clear and warm. Paid Mr. Davidson 2.75 for 3 loads manure we got of him. Betty shod all round and black Charley shod behind.

May 20 Clear and warmer. Hauled brick in forenoon and afternoon Aunt Margaret and I attended the funeral of Thomas Kirtlan who died on Sunday evening 18" inst. Mark worked on the road.

May 21 Cloudy and cool for time of year. Hauled some brick. finished picking stone off meadow. Hauled sweet corn, beets & Mark worked in the road. Took 8 bushels of wheat to Buckeye Mill. I went to town after supper. sold 12-1/2 doz eggs.

May 22 Hauled brick all day to different places. Mark finished working on the road. Settled with A. D. Kelley. took his receipt for 15.72 all we owed him. Brought home grist from Buckeye Mill. Cool all day and we cover the hot beds in the garden. fear it will freeze.

May 23 Some warmer. Roads very dusty and I would be glad to see it rain. Hauled brick in forenoon. Took the big wagon to Uncle Jesse to have tires reset. didn't get them done. Samuel Elton put 2 new spokes in one front wheel. Frank put in the afternoon digging up d___ of which we have an abundant supply. but which I am determined to thin out. Dr Fawcett called in the evening to see about some brick. I rode to town with him. Bought spool of thread for Aunt Margaret. H. L. Robinson paid me 22.05 for brick. Nora went to Literary at Damascus. Stayed away all night with Carrie Arter.

May 24 Clear and warm. Hauled brick and scaffold boards to Joe Sharps. Came home at 5 oclock. Bought Sugar etc and a new scythe. gave 90 cents for the scythe. Mark hauled sand to Sharps. Went to town after supper. Took 26 eggs and exchanged with Andrew Potter for a like number of pure Hamburgh eggs. want to put them under the hens tomorrow. Bought a wire trellis to place over Uncle Howells grave. Gave Julia $2.25. Got key of club room and will take it until I find a paying renter. J. Helman gave me 35 cents towards the rent making 2 dollars in all. It should have been 6 dollars. Am making these notes after coming home from town. All are in bed except Mark who rode out with me and is putting the mare in the barn. Am somewhat tired and will go to bed too. A good rain would make me very happy while it is falling.

May 25 Got up very early and after breakfast Aunt Margaret and I went out to the Cemetery. Took some nice plants along and placed them on the graves of our departed ones. Some indications of rain but very little fell. After dinner went up to brickyard and met Aquilla Pigeon according to agreement. Agreed to rent him the yard for one year at 75 cents per thousand and give him the privilege of using sheds and covering boards. John is ____ called out in the evening and paid me 4.70 for brick. He is an interesting man. I cut little Howels hair today. Makes him look cute. Set two hens with Hamburg eggs from Potters.

May 26 Cloudy and cool. Mark and I hauled 2 loads brick in forenoon and got ready for work on Joel Sharps addition. Loaded 500 soft brick for H. Satterthwait. In afternoon myself and two other bricklayers worked at J. Sharps. got along very well.

Mark worked at BrickKiln. took down casing. loaded brick etc. Frank dug docks and cut pea brush. Aunt Margaret Sis and Little Howell went over to Uncle Tims. I met them at corner of Lisbon street and rode home with them. Pretty cool tonight & cloudy.

May 27 In the morning had every appearance of being a rainy day and some rain did fall, but not enough to stop us from work in Sharps house. finished the walls bysix oclock, and the carpenters can now go ahead and get the roof on. Lovern Webb was here as soon as I was out of bed this morning. Wants me to wall a cistern for him which I promised to do on Thursday if every thing was favorable. Mark dressed up early potatoes and did some other chores. Sis and little "Buntin" came in the buggy and brought me home from work. was glad to have the ride. Set two hens at the barn after supper. one in straw mow and one under straw cutter.

May 28 Clear and warm. very dry and dusty. Topped out a chimney at J. Sharps. brought scaffold boards and sand screen home. Paid for lime and finished paying allthe hands that worked for me at Sharps. In afternoon loaded 800 brick for John Ulery. sold him 4000. HH. Satterthwait also got 336 hard brick. Linn Sharp paid me 4.61 ___ Reed 5 dol and Jesse Duck 3.75. Mark and Frank hauled brush out of the orchard. After supper went down to Lavern Webber and from there to town. engaged Jerry Lacy to build Webbs cistern as I shall not have time. somewhat cloudy at bed time. Hope it will rain. roads very dusty. Chas. Foster nominated for Governor.

May 29 Clear and quite warm. Worked at the kiln all day loading brick. John Ulery got 3100. H. Satterthwait 664. Mark and Frank hauled brick to Robert Hole. Jerry Lucy built cistern for Lavern Webb. I paid him 2.50 for it. Mother got a letter from Lisbon from Wm. McCann, Son of Nelson McCann died at West Liberty Iowa this morning. Quite warm tonight.

May 30 Warm and dry and very dusty in the roads. Brought our spring wagon home from Garwoods shop. finished hauling brush and mowed the front yard. sold a few brick. This being Decoration day we all went to town in afternoon. Sis and the Baby and myself went in the buggy to the Cemetery. We were late and could not get near the speakers stand. There were a great many people on the grounds. Walter Campbell of Georgetown delivered the oration and it is pronounced very good by those who heard it. Got home before six oclock. Nora went with Shep (who with a friend of his came from Newgarden last night) to a dance in the evening. A seven year old son of John Kaiser was drowned this morning while catching frogs in a brook on French's farm west of town. I made a good cover and put on the old well over the road.

May 31 Had a splendid rain which began to fall about 1 oclock this morning and continued till about 7. It cooled the atmosphere, laid the dust and gave vegetation of all kinds a new start. Cloudy part of the day, but not much rain. We three men worked at the kiln in the forenoon cleaning up and curting out bats. hauled 2 loads to Robert Hole. Frank went to Mt. Union to a B.B. match in afternoon. After supper Sis & Baby Aunt Margaret and I all went to town in the spring wagons. I bought Aunt Margaret a glass

jelly dish. Took a little ride about town. called at Uncle Jesse's a few minutes and came home. Nora had company this afternoon. Carrie Arter and Bessie Rush. E. A. Lease & Co paid me $20.84 for rent of storeroom.

Jun 1 Morning cool and pleasant. was up early and brought the cows before breakfast. Walked through the corn field. corn is growing finely and I found no cut worms. wheat is shooting into head. grass is a little short on account of the dry weather but is looking better since the rain. Mark and I fixed up fences a little and turned the cows on new pasture. Attended the funeral of Wm. McCann. He was buried near Franklin Square. A large concourse of people attended many of them being Odd Fellows of which order deceased was a member. Met John Webb of West Liberty at whose house McCann died. John accompanied his remains here. Went over to Uncle Tims afternoon to look at a cow. think some of buying her. Nina and Anabel went out this afternoon. Aunt Margaret to Harriet Arners. Cloudy in evening but no rain of acct.

Jun 2 Cloudy and cool. Frank and I hauled Brick to Robert Hole. Took wheels of new wagon to Garwoods and had the tires reset and bolted on. Paid Salem Gas Co. 11.75 for chandeliers our gas fitting in Leases store room. John Webb of West Liberty Iowa took supper with us. we would have been glad to have had him stay all night but he thought best to go to his uncles (Abram Shinns). He expects to start home on Thursday. I walked to town with him after supper. Sold a few brick today. Mark plowed and got ground ready for tomatoes.

Jun 3 Cloudy with several good showers during the day and evening. Set out about 1750 tomato plants. had a nice time to do it and think the plants will do well. Jake Lee and his son helped us. Sis also helped by driving horse and taking plants from the hot beds to the field. got done about 2 oclock. After that Mark plowed Mr. Kirks potatoes. Frank replanted corn in lower patch and I worked in the garden. Planted 69 cabbages some beans etc. Sis set out strawberry plants in place of those that were missing in the rows. I went to town after supper. Bought a pair of every day shoes of R. Jobes. Paid 2.50 for them. Dr. Whinery paid me for cementing cistern.

Jun 4 Partially clear. I worked at Joel Sharps in forenoon. putting an arch over doorway. After dinner Frank and I hauled 1700 brick to Robert Hole. Worked some in garden in evening. planted musk melons andwater melons. Went out to tomato patch after supper. The cut worms are working on them severely. I killed several dozens of them, and will have to replant the first opportunity. John Ulery paid me 27.00 for Brick. Mark plowed and replanted corn. Sis "Buntin" and Nora went to town in evening. Cool enough for a fire in sitting room. Read Republican and a letter from Mary Hise of West Liberty. Set a hen in the calf stable. Aquilla Pigeon began making brick on our yard.

Jun 5 Hauled 4 loads of brick to Robert Hole. Allan Hise (who has returned from a trip as far west as Chicago) helped me. Mark and Frank worked in the cornfield until the rain forced them to quit. had a heavy rain about 3 oclock and as I write at 6 P.M. is raining again. After supper the rain having cleared away. Mark and I replanted some tomatoes

which had been destroyed by cut worms. they have taken about $75 so far. The ground has sure got a good soaking and vegetation will flourish. thundering at 9 P.M.

Jun 6 Cloudy and cool. had a shower or two. Mark and Frank hauled 4 loads of brick to Robert Hole. I carted beets out of the shed in forenoon. After dinner it looking like rain we cleaned out the hen house and rid up some around the pig pen. after which we went to town and hauled one load of brick. took Dolly to shop and got her shod behind. Set out 75 cabbage plants that I got from Lawson Harper. Went over the tomato patch and slew 40 cut worms. Quite cool tonight and will come very near a frost. Nora went to town with Alice McMillan.

Jun 7 Clear and pleasant. Had quite a frost last night but I have not heard that it did much harm. but I have not seen our tomato patch today. Spent most of the day at the kiln loading brick. Mark and Frank hauled 3 loads to Robert Hole and 2 loads to Archie Cook. Paid Kirk Allen & Thomas 24.40 and squared accounts. Sold Bay Charley to Aquilla Pidgeon for 40 dollars. Sold him low enough but he is getting old and we have no use for him. Think he will have a good home and would not have been willing to sell him to any one who would abuse him. Aquilla paid me 30 dols on him tonight and agrees to pay the balance on Monday. McMillans cattle spent last night in our front yard and in going out they broke through our evergreen hedge. It is a little too bad that their cattle should be such a nuisance to the whole neighborhood, but they are a nuisance over this thing of having them here is growing monotomous. Spoke to Arth about it but don't suppose it will do any good. Went to town after supper. John Garwood made another seat for spring wagon. Frost did some damage in low places.

Jun 8 Clear but not very warm. Got up early and brought the cows. Made some irons to hold the seat in spring wagon. Planted some parsnips and lettuce. We intended to visit at Eli Fawcetts today but just as we were about ready to start, Dave & Mary Yingling and their 2 boys came out. We were glad to have them and sent word to Eli's that we couldn't come today. After dinner Dave & Mary & Sis went to greenhouse. Went down to see our corn & potatoes by the mill. they are not doing well. Frost & cut worms have hurt it badly. Put some corn to soak for replanting. Will Hise & Wife & Baby called in afternoon. also some young folks to see Nora.

Jun 9 Clear and warm. Frank & I hauled brick. Mark replanted & worked corn. Sam Gibbons helped him. Paid Geo Holmes for ___ Wilson 12.76. Aunt Margaret Nora Little Howell and I went to Uncle Tims after supper. Aunt M. stayed all night.

Jun 10 Had a refreshing shower in forenoon. Hauled a load of sand for Archie Cook's pavement and 4 loads of brick to Robert Hole. Mark worked Firm Gee's corn in forenoon and carted bats out of Kiln in afternoon. I bought two blue fish of Hawkins. never saw one before. will try them for breakfast. After supper Mark and I went to look at some calves belonging to Paddy Hart. tried to buy them but could not come any where near it. Went from there to Joel Strattons. I thought his price too high also and we came home without any calves.

Jun 11 Clear and warm. Planted a row of sweet corn in the garden. Wrote an Article of Agreement for myself and Aquilla Pidgeon. Hauled brick to Robert Hole (5 loads). Mark and Sam Gibbons worked corn. Bought 8 quarts of strawberries at 8 ct per qt. Sis walked over to Uncle Tims and wheeled Howell in his buggy. I went over with Dolly and spring wagon after supper and brought them home. also brought Aunt Margaret who has been there a couple of days. Mother recd a letter from Uncle Wm Hise. Nora stays all night with Carrie Arter. The school children are getting ready for commencement exercises tomorrow evening. decorating hall etc etc. Cloudy at bed time.

Jun 12 Finished hauling brick to Robert Hole. Worked at the kiln balance of the day. piling out brick. Mark and Mr. Gibbons still in the corn field. Sis and Nora & I attended commencement exercises in Concert Hall. The graduating class acquitted themselves admirably. The hall was jammed and the eveningwarm. got home at 11-1/2 P.M. Read the Tribune a while and turned in about midnight.

Jun 13 Clear and warm. Worked at the kiln all day and am tired at night. got most of the brick moved out. Mark and Gibbons finished the corn plowed the garden and tomatoes. The women folks all took supper at McMillans. Shep is here tonight. Frank went buggy riding. Paid Wm. P West 8.47 all we owe him.

Jun 14 Cleaned up the kiln ready for Pidgeon to set brick. Went up town a while in forenoon. Robert Hampson paid me 7.50 for filter. I straight way paid it to L. L. Shoemaker and squared with him. also paid Eldridge & Reed 1.14 and settled that bill. Mother Sis and Aunt Margaret went to town. Mother stayed at Ninas a few days. Rec'd notice that the insurance on my property in Iowa would expire on 16 ____. Must renew it.

Jun 15 Somewhat cloudy in morning. Was up tolerably early and brought the cows. Attended to some young Hamburg chickens hatched this morning. Jim Reed brought his horse out. think he will not have to come again. Mary and Betty Saxon spent the day with us. we were glad to have them. After milking in the evening Sis & the Baby and I went over to Uncle Tims. I expected to buy a cow of him but the calf died last night and I thought best not to buy her. Wrote a letter to Sister Fannie.

Jun 16 Cloudy and cool. rained some in forenoon. wind then got around in the north and tonight is almost cold enough for frost. I planted some tomato plants before breakfast and Mark finished the job. it took 135 plants to replant those taken by cut worms. I put in a Bulls eye window at Joel Sharps. took me nearly all day. Am not feeling well tonight and will go to bed early. Frank is also somewhat amiss. Mark plowed potatoes & corn.

Jun 17 Paid 52 yards pavement on East Broadway for Archie Cook. a good days work. Feel much better than I did yesterday. Mrs. Arner and Caleb spent afternoon at Unserheim. Quite cool for time of year. a little cooler would make frost.

Jun 18 Hauled 3 loads Brick for Al Roller in forenoon. Worked Betty in our horse wagon. Sis went to Jesse Hawleys to pick strawberries but they had enough pickers before she got there. Laid brick after noon for Silver & Deming. Sis drove down and brought me home in evening. Mark worked corn potatoes & cabbage. Still quite cool. Archie Cook paid $10 on acct.

Jun 19 Clear and pleasant but not warm. Put in the day at Silver and Demings laying brick. The folks at home were badly frightened. the children Lena and Howell having found a bottle of creosote in the ashes under the bake oven where it had been goodness knows how long. they got the stopper out and burnt their hands and faces pretty badly with the stuff but fortunately did not swallow any of it. Nora ran for Arth McMillan who was plowing corn nearby and in a twinkling he was in the saddle and ready to go for the Doctor. but by that time Sis had found out that they were not dangerously hurt and Arth went back to his plowing. It was a narrow escape though and hereafter we will be more careful where we put such poisonous stuff. Coming from work I drove up town and bought 3 quarts (at 8 cents) of the finest strawberries I ever saw. Col Cheney variety. Must try and get some plants. Mark hoed tomatoes.

Jun 20 Clear and warm. Worked at Silver & Demings. Mark hauled 500 brick for A C Roller which finished his lot. Brought all the brick and scaffold boards away from Joel Sharps. Nora went to Pic nic with Jennie Hillmans school. I went to town after supper. paid Henry Reitzell $5.50 and squared accts with him. Bred Dolly to Jim Reeds young horse.

Jun 21 Clear and warm. Worked at Silver and Demings till 4 oclock and ran out of brick. Herbert McCracken paid me 10.15 for Brick. Went up town after supper. Sis and Howell went as far as Monroe Vickers and staid there until we returned from town. Bought Sis a hair brush of R. P. Trimble. gave 80 cents for it. Mr. Gailey paid me 5 dollars for corn pasture. Warm tonight.

Jun 22 Cloudy with a little drizzling rain inforenoon but not enough to wet the ground much. Walked around the farm and find that water is becoming scarce in our pasture. After dinner a lot of us went down to Aunt Ura's and stayed till towards evening. Have a good time and a pleasant ride. Cool in evening.

Jun 23 Hot and dry. Worked at Silver & Demings. Mark worked in the corn and got through it for the third time. Got the shovel plow sharpened and drove around and brought me home. Rec'd a note from Lucien Gilbert representing me to put down a pavement for him on East Main St. will attend to it soon. bought 3 quarts of strawberries of C. A. Lease & Co. Paid 7 cts per qt.

Jun 24 Quite warm, hot. Finished at Silver and Demings. Have built a foundation for an addition to their office. two chimnies and set two grates. Paid one off. 12 dollars. Paid A. R. Silver 1.88 for water fixtures in store room. Paid Geo Mue___ 6.76 Bal due him for

work on shelving. settled with and paid Joseph Koll 7.50 and Stratton & Daniel 47.54. Mark and Frank took little cow to Sells and in afternoon Mark plowed corn for Firm Gee. Sarah McMillan took supper with us.

Jun 25 Didn't do much. not feeling very well. Paid Mart Young 5 dollars for insurance on my house in West Liberty. also paid him $6.40 for insurance on property belonging to the Estate. Went to Carnice Wurks and got some scraps of galvanize iron . want to use them in my tomato crates. Mark plowed corn & potatoes for Mr. Kirk and in afternoon done some hauling for pavement on High st. for Dr. Rush.

Jun 26 Clear & hot. hauled brick and laid some pavement. Mark hauled sand. Sold a shoulder to Jim Posts wife. She paid 1 dollar and was 35 cents. Bought 3 quarts strawberries 6 cts quart.

Jun 27 Hot and sultry a greater part of the day. Clouded up about 3 P.M. but rained very little here. Good rains have I think gone north and south of us. Hauled 800 Brick for Dr. Rush's pavements and laid 30 yards of it. Went to see Base Ball in afternoon. Quakers of Salem versus Center's of New Lisbon. Salem came out ahead, making 10 runs to their opponents. After supper Aunt Margaret & I drove over to Uncle Tim's. Brought her new dress home that Ratie has been making. Cloudy at bedtime but no rain yet.

Jun 28 Finished laying pavementfor Dr Rush. got done a little after noon. Mark Nora and Frank started about 1 oclock up to Pats. began to rain shortly after they started and came down gloriously. had two or three heavy showers and since about 5 P.M. has been raining steadily. Went to town after supper. rode Black Charley up and brought our buggy home. Uncle Jesse cut the tires on it. cost $1.75. E. A. Lease & Co paid me 20.89 one months rent. Called to see Mother (at Ninas). she has been more poorly for a day or two. Will came home with me and will stay all night. Hugo Pryor "Greenback" candidate for Leiut. Gov. spoke in Town Hall tonight.

Jun 29 A very pleasant day. Cloudy in the morning with some rain. The splendid rains of yesterday and last night have done an immense amount of good, and vegetation of all kinds looks the better for it. Sis and I intended to go to Alliance to see Aunty Smith who we heard intends to start to Iowa tomorrow. We were up ___ but the weather looked so rainy we concluded best not to go. I went up to Lawson Hachers and got 177 cabbage plants and Sis and set them out. After dinner I took Black Charley and the buggy and drove Aunt Margaret out to Mr. Gordon's. passed a pleasant hour with him. Called to see Mother and Sis who we left there on our way to Gordons. came home with us. Went down to lower corn field in the evening and stopped a while at Mr. Gaileys. At 9 P.M. the visitors to Pats have not got home.

Jun 30 Clear and pleasant. I tore up old plank walk on East Main st and hauled plank home for oven wood. Mark Nora & Frank got home about 11 oclock. After dinner Frank and I hauled brick and Mark hauled cider. Took Lew Dobbins 285 lbs hay. Done a little patching at Joel Sharps. Worked some in the garden after supper. things there are

growing nicely. Nora not well tonight. has gone to bed with headache. Will go to bed early myself as I have been up since 4 oclock this morning.

Jul 1 Clear and warm. Ground knives for mowing machine and mowed the meadow below the barn. grass pretty light. Mark also mowed 3 acres for Benj. Hillman. Rolled and cocked our own hay ready to have in tomorrow. Bought a new rope to hoist with in the barn. 52 feet of it. cost $2.40. Also bought a quart of lard oil for 20 cents. Went to town after supper and tried to get Jake Lee to come help us tomorrow. He was busy but promised to send his son. Frank is working at McMillens.

Jul 2 Clear and pretty hot. Cleaned up the barn. hauled a load of old hay out on pasture field, and get it in the grass we cut yesterday. After that Mark and Davy Lee worked tomatoes and potatoes, and I hauled cinder for pavement on East Main etc. Joel Stratton called in evening and wanted us to mow some for him tomorrow, but we are too busy with other work.

Jul 3 Very warm, but a good air stirring most of the day. I hauled cinder & sand and Mark worked potatoes. Went to town after supper and brought Mother home. Got the Enterprise from West Liberty.

Jul 4 Partially cloudy and not an extra good hay day. I mowed till noon, and after dinner with Bill Bowman's help we got 3 loads of hay in the barn. Mark plowed corn till noon. Went to town after supper. took the wheels of hay rake and left them at Uncle Jesse's shop to have tires reset. Am tired and go to bed early.

Jul 5 Clear and warm. Mowed with the two mares in forenoon. Mark plowed corn till noon. I went to town and got the hay rake wheels and we took in 3 loads of hay. A light crop but good hay. Richard Jobes paid me 71 dollars rent. Went to town after supper. Sold some brick to be delivered within a week or two. Got some medicine for Mother who is not so well.

Jul 6 Got up early and brought the cows before breakfast. found the fences down some and fixed them up. I agreed to pasture a young bull for Thos. Sharp and am very sorry that I did so, as he has become a nuisance. Live and learn is an old saying, and I have learned not to do that kind of thing again. Didn't leave the farm all day. Stayed at home and rested up. The Merciful Man is merciful to his beast and our horses rested too. ground the scythes ready for cutting wheat in the morrow. also the mowing machine knives. Walked down to lower wheat field in evening. engaged Sam Gibbons to rake & bind. Doc & Jennie Howell called in evening. The latter was quite ill in forenoon.

Jul 7 Cloudy in the morning and looked so much like rain that I did not mow as was my intention. Went out to John arther Stanleys. He and I came to town together. Met H. Gamble and got him to calculate interest on a note held by Johnathan Stanley (as guardian) against D. H. Hise. according to Mr. Gambles calculation there was due in the note 465.33. I paid the 65.33 and the note now calls for even 400 dollars with interest at

7 per cent from July 3, 1879. Coming home I met Mr. Clancy of Pittsburgh who has made a crayon portrait of Marius Robinson. We think some of having him make one of Uncle Howell for us. Took 8 bu of wheat to ___ ___ mill. got some rivets and put a new section in mowing machine knife. After dinner shocked wheat. Jake Lee and his son Dory cradled. Sam Gibbons Bill Bowman &Mark raked and bound. got about 75 or 80 dozen cut but didn't quite finish. rained a little about 5 P.M. but not enough to stop cutting. Splendid day to work being cool & pleasant all day.

Jul 8 Cloudy with heavy rain and thunder to north and northeast but very little rain fell here. finished cutting wheat by 2 past 9. After dinner I took 1290 lbs hay to Geo Meredith and 850 Paving Brick for Lucien Gilbert. Sis walked to town and rode home with me in the wagon. Mark plowed corn all day.

Jul 9 Mark started in to mow this morning and got one meadow down about 5 acres. clouded up before he was near done and afternoon rained some. Didn't get any hay in today. Went to town saw Mr. Clancy the artist from Pittsburgh. he came out and we gave him a picture of Uncle Howell which he proposes to copy in Crayon. hope he will make a first rate picture. Measured the wood at the brickyard as Pidgeon wants to fire his kiln in a few days. there are 35 cords of wood in all. 29 cords on east side of shed including the shoot wood and 6 cords that Satterthwait hauled on west side. John Lee hung the paper in the hall, looks very well. I settle with him. he owed us 2.13 and paid him 50 cents besides. Robert Hole signed receipt for brick I delivered to him 200 dols worth, and we are square with him. Lavern Webb paid me 2.50 cents for a cistern which I paid ___ Lucy for building. Richard Pow paid me 1.75 which A. Pow owed me for hay. J. L. Brown paid me 6 dols house rent. Cloudy and cool in evening.

Jul 10 I hauled a few brick and laid pavement for R. L. Gilbert on East Main st. Mark plowed corn in forenoon, and in afternoon we got our hay that we had out into the barn. I raked it and when Sam Gibbons came at 3 oclock he took my place and I went to town and worked on the pavement. Clouded up about sundown and as I write at 8 P.M. a fine rain is falling.

Jul 11 Rained until day light this morning. The roof of our house had become so dry during the continued warm and dry weather that it leaked in several places. The water finally forced its wayinto our own and some of the other bedrooms. I got up at 1 A.M. went up in the garret and placed washbowls etc in different places. The forenoon was clear and hot. I took Dolly and spring wagon to Damascus. Mabel Garrigues went with me. Went to see about some tomato crates and traded Geo Bailey 550 Brick for 40 crates. He is to have them ready for me in 2 weeks and when I go for them will take his brick with me. In afternoon I shoveled up a load of sand and went to finish the pavement I have been at, but then came up another big rain and I was forced to leave it. Borrowed a coat from Thomas' folks and came home through the rain. Mark started to mow but of course didn't get to do much at it. Got the Tribune and read Oliver Johnsons 3rd letter in the Downfall of Slavery and other interesting articles.

Jul 12 Levi Straley was after me before breakfast to build a furnace & chimney for him but will have to put it off yet for ahile. Mark and I made a little piece of fence along the road and then went and finished pavement. Pulled some weeds in the garden and went to town in afternoon. Rec'd pay for pavement from Lucien Gilbert $29.22 paid him 7 dols for services as Attorney. Gave Aunt Margaret 30 dollars to pay for her picture if satisfactory. Mark and went to town after supper. Mary Neal lectured on temperance on corner of Main & Broadway. I didn't listen to her. Her sister Mrs. Farquhar did the praying. A one armed soldier had another meeting and sang songs for lucre. The Post Office is being removed from Broadway to Main st. tonight. Gertie Ward and Nora rode home with us. I stay up long after the rest of the family are in bed reading the Tribune. among other things a joke of Lincolns. he must have been a ____ if he ____ all the folks attributed to him.

Jul 13 Clear and warm in afternoon hot. Got up early and brought the cows. after breakfast took a walk over the farm. set out 8 tomato plants where thee were that many missing. Mark took Dolly and the buggy and brought Mrs. Emma Wilson out. She stayed all day and Sis took her home in evening. I went to Uncle Tims in afternoon. found them about as well as usual. had a pleasant little visit and got home before dark. Some young folks Gerties friends are here tonight Singing and playing organ.

Jul 14 Clear and hot. Mark mowed about 7 acres of very thin grass. We hauled 2 loads into the barn and will probably have one more load to bring in tomorrow. Sam Gibbons and I cut the little piece of rye by the barn. took spring wagon to town and got spring mended. Bought Nora a pair of shoes and left her old ones to be mended. Got a circular from B. K. Bliss & Sons all about turnips. Jobes paid balance of his rent.

Jul 15 Last night was a hot one and today the mercury stood at 92 in the shade. Mark mowed Wetmures grass in the morning & Sam Gibbons & I uncovered our wheat and rolled up the balance of hay left out yesterday. After Mark came we went to hauling in wheat and got it all into the barn nicely. over 100 dozen. Wrote a letter to Uncle Fred Sheets.

Jul 16 Quite warm in forenoon but somewhat cloudy afternoon. I mowed five acres of grass by 12 oclock. Mark and Gibbons worked at the tomatoes till that time. Bill Bowman came out after dinner and we all worked at the hay. got two loads in the barn and as it looked rainy put the balance in cocks. Went to town after supper & engaged Jack Lee to help us tomorrow as Bowman is to help Quilla Pidgeon burn his Kiln which he fired yesterday afternoon.

Jul 17 Got our hay all up in splendid condition. Made a stack in the field and put a couple of loads in the barn. after that hauled our rye home from the brickyard. Went up town after supper and paid tax 68.54. it took me by surprise for I thought I had the tax paid for a year from last December. took all the money I could rake and then didn't have quite enough. still owe 3.50 to Norman Garrigues Deputy Treasurer. Hired a man to help

us tomorrow. Sis Aunt Margaret and Little Bun visited at Martin Youngs today. Ratie Gee brought them home in evening. I rode up town with her. sold 9 dozen eggs at 10 cts.

Jul 18 Clear and cooler. Made hay for Mr. Kirk. Mowed about 5 acres and got less than two loads of hay. the lightest grass I ever saw. will probably finish there tomorrow. got a letter from Uncle Geo. also a money order for 11 dollars. 10 of it for myself and a dollar as a birthday present for Little Howell from Uncle Geo. Went up town after supper and finished paying tax. Found $1.73 more tax on lot on East B. way. Bought sugar and matches. N. L. Davis Mineral Point Ohio came out and wanted me to go and help him put up a schoolhouse. Couldn't go. am too busy at home.

Jul 19 Finished Mr. Kirks hay (except pitching of one load) before noon. After dinner I went to town and witnessed a game of Base ball between the Hope club of Austintown and the Quaker club of Salem. The Hopes was victorious by a score of 8 to 7. Went to town again after supper. Sis & Bay with me.

Jul 20 Clear and warm. Aunt Margaret Sis & Baby and I went to Eli Fawcetts. Our visit was not altogether pleasant for Little Howell was quite unwell and we had to come home early. Went up to Dr Rush and got some medicine think he has a tooth of agru. he has had it before. now at 8 P.M. he is very drowsy and has a high fever. hope he will be much better in the morning and think he will. Sister Nina and Sara & Alice McMillan were here today. also Bro Will. he and Nora went home with Alice a few minutes ago and as I write I can hear him singing "Behold Zion" quite plainly tho I think he must be at McMillans house. Little Howells 2nd birthday.

Jul 21 Clear & warm. Went to Levi Strahleys to build a furnace & chimney did not get it quite done. Mark worked potatoes & hauled 300 brick to A. Roller. Cooney Walter of Leetonia wanted to rent a cart but I declined. offered to sell him one cheap. Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Gailey were here a while this evening. Nora & Myron Wait went to Uncle Tims. took them some beets and beans.

Jul 22 Cloudy cooler and pleasant. had a nice little rain in afternoon. finished Straley's chimney. sowed some turnip seed. went to work for Dr Firestone in after noon pointing up his building ready for painting . didn't get to do much on account of the rain. borrowed a coat from Nina and started home in the rain. Met Mark on Lisbon street with the buggy coming after me. Went back to town after supper. called to see Albert Silver in answer to a card recd from him. Didn't find him at home. H. Satterthwait came in the evening and wanted me to build some chimneys for him. Have not time now. Aunt Mary Gee spent the day with us. Nora had some company for supper. Carrie Arter Bessie Rush and Miss Shriver the latter from Pittsburgh. Little Howell not very well.

Jul 23 Cloudy with rain in afternoon. worked at Firestones till 4 P.M. quit on account of rain. Mark took team to town and had Betty shod. hauled out straw on tomato patch. Sold Robert Hole brick enough to finish the Grove & Shoemaker building. will take in the

neighborhood of 25000. Sold them at $5.50 per M. All over 100 dollars he is to pay in October. the 100 dollars he is to give his note for six months from 1st of November at 6 per ct interest. Was much pleased to get a letter from Uncle Fred Sheets, Washington Iowa. Went out to tomato field after supper. plants are growing nicely but not very many tomatoes yet. Had the first ripe one. Killed a good many tomato worms. Nora went to party at Hampsons.

Jul 24 Cloudy all day but no rain. Worked at Firestone till noon and then quit for want of a scaffold which Henry Reitzell is to put up. Went to brickyard a while and to Silver & Demings works looking for Albert Silver but found him not. came home and pulled weeds in the garden till supper time. lots more of that kind of work left. Mark hauled 4500 brick to Robert Hole. H. Lacy helped him.

Jul 25 Had a very heavy rain in forenoon. Went up town after Dr Firestone to see mother (who was feeling badly but feelsbetter at this writing 8 P.M.) Wrote two or three d___ but I do mortally hate to send them. will have to do it tho for we need the money. Jos La___an left 7 dollars for me at Leases store all he owed me. With Allan Hise to help I hauled 2000 brick to Robert Hole. hauled with Dolly & 1 horse wagon. Mark hauled brick in forenoon and a load of coal from Rollers afternoon. Took 4 iron hitching posts to town but they could not decide where they were to go so we left them. Got a 2 numbers of West Liberty Enterprise & read them. not a very heavy contract.

Jul 26 Took 550 brick to Geo Bailey at Damascus. began to rain when I had got about two miles from town and kept it up all the way there and most of the way back. Borrowed an umbrella of Park Goldy and didn't get much wet. brought home with me stuff for 40 crates. got home before 1 oclock. Went to town. Lease & Co paid rent.

Jul 27 Clear and pleasant. Put together one dozen tomato Boxes. Washed and changed my clothes and will take it easy the balance of the day. took a walk over the farm. Sat on a rock in the woods for an hour or more. think I can improve the appearance of our timber land and at the same time make the pasture better by cutting out a lot of low growing trees such as iron wood, dogwood etc. looked at some trees I want to cut for shingles for the barn.

Jul 28 Clear & Pleasant. Worked all day at Firestones. Mark hauled brick to Robert Hole. Jake Lee & son Darcy cut our oats got all the field down before six oclock. A bigger days work than I thought they would do. Sam Gibbons and Joe finished hauling straw on tomato patch and bound & shocked more oats that were cut last week. Emma Howell and Miss Ellen Davis (the latter a second cousin of my Father) called and took supper with us, would be glad to have her remain longer but she could not. She lives in Morristown, Pa.

Jul 29 Wrote a letter to Sister Fannie before breakfast. Worked at Firestones till 2 past 4 when we were forced by the rain to knock off. rained very hard till almost 6 oclock.

Mark stayed at home and with several to help him got most of our oats bound and in shock. Aunt Margaret & Nora went to Uncle Jesses for supper and at 1/2 past 7 have not returned.

Jul 30 Clear and warm. Put in the day at Firestones. Mark straightened up the oats and hauled 3500 hundred brick to Robert Hole. Aunt Margaret visited Doc Howells and Nora at Mr. Arters.

Jul 31 Partially clear and cloudy. Had some rain about noon. very hot when the sun shone. Worked at Firestones. Mark hauled brick. Sis and Little Howell came up in the buggy and I rode home with them. Went over the tomato patch after supper. About dusk Sara McMillan came up looking for some one to bring their cows as she could not find them. I volunteered and after tramping nearly all over their farm finally found them. got home at 9 oclock. will read some in Tribune before retiring.

Aug 1 Clear and hot. Worked at Firestones and sweated like a Turk. Mark fixed up fences. Mowed weeds etc etc. Aunt Margaret visited at Harriet Arners. Sis and Little Howell went to town and back several times during the day. After supper walked down to Gibbons. Cooler in evening.

Augt 2 Very warm. I worked all day at Firestones and got done. Mark, Frank & Sam Gibbons put our oats in the barn all in good condition, notwithstanding it got a couple of heavy rains after being cut and in shock. Little Howell was very sick last night. had a high fever, and Sis & I were up with him off & on all night. Had Dr Rush come out this morning. he left some medicine and tonight he seems to be better and is now sleeping soundly. hope he will continue to improve. Aunt Mary Gee & Georgie were here to supper. Went to town after supper but did not stay long. Got some more medicine from Dr Rush but as Howell is sleeping will not waken him to give it. A lovely night but also a very warm one.

Aug 3 Cloudy and clear at intervals. Had quite a shower about 11 A.M. and at this writing (9 P.M.) it is raining again. Mark and Frank took Dolly & buggy and went to Dennis Lyon's (Marks nephew.) got back before dark. Had several callers during the day. was pleased to see them all, but particularly glad to have Jim Hencilwood and his wife. Jim is an old and valued friend mine. He and I took a walk over the farm. Uncle Jesse & wife were here also Nina & Mabel Garrigues and many others "too numerous to mention". Little Howell is better today having slept soundly all last night. hope he will continue to improve. Before going to bed I wrote a letter to J. G. Hise Washington Iowa.

Aug 4 Cloudy and sultry. rained several times during the day. Hauled a 1 horse load of chips to Aunt Lib Wait. Bought a tile & made a filter for Simon Summers cistern which I expect to build soon. Mark hauled 2 loads of brick to Robert Hole & then knocked off. he is not feeling well. Little Howell is still quite unwell, but the women folks think he is better tonight. I sincerely hope he is. Sis got a long & very interesting letter from Aunt Libbie Hise, West Liberty. we were all pleased truly. Nora Carrie Arter & Frank are at

Concert Hall tonight. some musical Entertainment Carrie is here to stay several days. Archie Cook paid me 10 dollars on acct. still owes 3.50. John Wetmore called and paid 1.50 for mowing.

Aug 5 Spent most of the forenoon in town around the kiln etc. Sold some brick. Mark hauled brick to Robert Hole and 1400 to Chas. Stap. In afternoon I picked 6 bushels of Early White Apples which I sold to Robinson at 30 cts per bushel. will deliver them tomorrow. Some young folks are here tonight singing & playing.

Aug 6 Somewhat cloudy, but hot. Took 6 bushels apples to town and hauled brick balance of the day. Mark plowed sod for John Wetmore. Mrs. Sarah Galbreath and her daughter Celia visited and took supper with us. The former is a resident of Paducah Ky. After I had written the above Aunt Margaret handed me a paper called the Voice of Angels. It is published in North Holynorth, Mass and claims to be devoted to the cause of Spiritualism. It contained what purported to be a communication from Howell Hise through a Medium in Edinburgh Indiana. I have read the article carefully and pronounce it an im-mitagated humbug. It is not like Uncle Howell at all, and I will need better evidence before I cease to be skeptical on the subject.

Aug 7 Rained almost the entire day. Went to town and got 125 celery plants of Mary Yengling. gave her 50 cts for them. brought them home and set them out. Made a new blade and Mark & Frank threshed a part of our rye. I put a new latch on carriage house door. Rode up town with Arth McMillan after supper but didn't do any good.

Aug 8 Cloudy and quite cool for time of year. Hauled 2400 brick to Robert Hole. Quite a sickly time at our house. nearly all of us being more or less unwell. Mark is quite poorly this evening although he finished plowing for Wetmore. guess he has a bad cold and a touch of ague. Went to base ball match. Youngstown 32, Salem 2.

Aug 9 Cloudy most of the day and quite cool for August. Frank and I hauled 3 loads of brick to Robert Hole. Had Dr Rush come out to see Little Howell who is still quite poorly. The Doc left some medicine for him and whether on that account or not he seems better this evening. Mark is still quite sick with cold & diarrhea. Sis, Aunt Margaret & Mother are also sick and we have quite a hospital. Let us hope all will be on the mend soon. Frank Hise of Philadelphia arrived on the noon train. has not been to Salem before for 9 years. He looks natural. I walked to town after supper with a basket of eggs which I sold to American Hotel. Met Mr. Clancy of Pittsburgh at the Pickett House. He had brought the picture of Uncle Howell that he has been making. I brought it home with me. We have not yet had a chance to examine it by daylight, but by lamplight it looks like a splendid picture and we shall in all probability keep it. Saw John Saxon of Fairburg, Nebraska on the street today. He came for the purpose of taking his brother Jerry home with him. try to get him away from whiskey awhile, and yet make a man of him. But I fear it is too late. The demon of drink has too strong a hold on the poor fellow and it will be a miracle almost if he escapes from its clutches.

Aug 10 Partially clear and cloudy at intervals. still cool. Stayed at home most of the day and took care of Little Howell who seems better tonight. Sis is also better as is also Mark. In evening I hitched Dolly to the buggy and after bringing Aunt Mary out home from Uncle Jesses where she had been to dinner I drove over to John Gannts. went to see how he was getting on with his new house but found that he has not the foundation dry yet. stopped at Uncle Tims a few minutes. found them as well as usual. Uncle Tim & Aunt Mary had just got home from Canfield. Got home a little after dark. Read the Tribune awhile before going to bed.

Aug 11 Warmer. Went to the Kiln in forenoon expecting teams from the county to haul brick but they came not. hauled a load of bats for Bare's cistern in afternoon. Collected 10 dollars from Dr. Firestone. Paid for the picture of Uncle Howell (30 dols). Brot Dr. Firestone out to see Mother in the evening.

Aug 12 Clear & warm & pleasant. Went to town early in the morning and stayed a little while. rented another upstairs room to Mrs. John Gee for the very low price of 1.50 per month. After coming home Frank & I cut a large red oak tree close by the mill. want to have it made into shingles. trimmed some of the limbs off after dinner and picked some tomatoes. Aunt Mary & Uncle Jesse and their three sons Frank Will & Allan Wills wife& Baby & Ann Kirtlan were here to supper will stayed the evening. I took them home in the wagon. Had 3 shoes put on black Charley today.

Aug 13 Cloudy & cool. rained some in afternoon. Frank & I cut two more large oak trees for shingles. Picked & marketed 13 bu Stanley Early apples. got 30 cts per bu. Sis made more pear butter. Got a letter from Goly Hise. In town a while after supper. Nora went to Wetmores.

Aug 14 Cloudy at times. not warm enough for August. Frank & I took up the old plank walk at Agnes Hencilwoods and hauled 3 loads of cinder. Sis & Howell Nora Frank & I were at Will Hises for supper. A host of people were there besides us. Sis & I left early in the evening as Little Howell was so cross Sis couldn't enjoy it at all. Julia & Lena went to Scrabble.

Aug 15 The morning cool & cloudy. McMillans cattle & horses were with us again last night. I was up at 2 oclock and put them out, but they were here again this morning. Hauled 4 loads cinder for Agnes Hencilwood. Mrs. Emma Gibson, Mrs. Esther Wilson and Mrs. Kate Ruggy visited here today. Picked a bushel of tomatoes.

Aug 16 Rained all of last night. was up early and done the feeding. Mark felt better today and he & I hauled 4 loads cinder to Elias Lacy. Frank was sick in the morning. Uncle Jesse's Frank started for Philadelphia at half past 1 P.M. Signed an application for insurance on the Garwood shop property. also a premium note for 90 dollars. The insurance will cost about 4.70 per year. pretty high. but it's a risky piece of property and I think it ought to be insured. Sis & Howell & Nora went to town in afternoon. Nora & I went after supper. came home early.

Aug 17 Cloudy and cool. no rain. Put a new handle in my axe and repaired 1 horse wagon a little. Went to Elijah Whinerys and brought Julia & Lena home. Aunt Lib Wait & Gertie were here today.

Aug 18 Weather finer than for some days past. Took our buggy to town and after washing it at the brickyard pond, took it to John Garwoods shop to have it painted and trimmed. hauled 1700 paving brick and two loads cinder to Agnes Hencilwood. loaded 600 for Ann Johnson. Mark and Frank hauled out manure. Cool in evening.

Aug 19 Clear and pleasant. After an early breakfast I went out to David Frenches (near Scrabbletown) and set a couple of grates. got done about two oclock. came home and picked nearly a bushel of tomatoes before supper. Ratie Gee and Mrs. Arner and Mrs. ____ called in afternoon all stayed to tea. Mark and Frank hauled manure.

Aug 20 Weather fine. hauled brick and sand. In evening went over to Judge Amblers to look at some chimneys they want repaired. went from there to town and bought some butter. rode home with Arth McMillan. Their cattle paid us another visit this evening and Nero took one of them and tumbled her into the road. Nora & Frank went to Arters this evening. Had some callers today Mrs. Umstead & Mrs. Robert Turner & Mrs. Abe Turner.

Aug 21 Clear & pleasant. Laid pavement inside the yard at Agnes Hencilwoods. Had Elias Lacy to help me in afternoon and we got done by six oclock. Aunt Margaret spent the day at Uncle Tims and Ratie went to a picnic. Received a copy of the "Courier Journal" Louisville Ky sent by my Uncle John G. Enlow. have not yet had time to read it. Got the Tribune and looked it over. it is always interesting. Mark & Frank hauled manure and 1 load sand.

Aug 22 Clear & warm a greater part of the day. Began walling a cistern for Susan Summers. got it pretty well along. Geo & Mell Nusbaum at work repairing steeple of Methodist church. asked me to help when ready to buy brick but I think I shall not have time. Received 2 copies Enterprise from West Liberty. Sis Nora & the children came up for me in the evening. was tired and glad of a chance to ride.

Aug 23 Partially cloudy & clear hot. Heavy rain last night. When I went to Summers cistern this morning I found about a foot of water in it. Dipped it out and worked at the cistern most of the day. Got it pretty well along by quitting time. Will let it stand a day or two before putting on finishing touch. Collected 72.60 of Joel Sharp. Paid Robert Justice 52 dollars. E. T. _____ paid me 6 dollars for 20 Brown house rent. Archie Cook paid me 3.50 all he owes. Paid Bill Bowman 2.50 and have some left for threshing. Went to town after supper. Sold some eggs & mustard & bought butter & coffee. Got policy of insurance from Delaware

Aug 24 Pleasant. Sis & Little Howell & Myself spent the day at Uncle Tims. Before

we went tho Mark and I cleaned up the barn and made preparation for threshing tomorrow. Wrote a letter to Albert Teeters West Liberty, Iowa. Mother is feeling better and was downstairs a portion of the day. Hired Geo D. Hunt to help thresh.

Aug 25 Cloudy. Rained nearly all of last night and until noon today. The threshing machine did not get here as soon as we expected. They having broke down coming up Cog's hill. They got here about 1 oclock and we got to threshing about 3. Got the wheat all done. Had just an even hundred bushels. Commenced in the oats and at quitting time had 104 bushels threshed. Wrote a card to my Uncle John G. Enlow Louisville Ky. Got another West Liberty paper today.

Aug 26 Cloudy & cool most of the day. We finished threshing a little before nine oclock in the morning. Had 272 bushels of oats. Paid all hands off. Picked the tomatoes only found 1 bushel. Got a letter G. F. Hencilwood Adair, Iowa. Wants me to send him a piece of music. Will attend to it when I have a little spare time. Hauled 2 loads brick to Judge Ambler. Put down 2 hitching posts in front of Lease=s bakery. Got the cash for them. 5 dollars.

Aug 27 Clear & pleasant. Went to work at Summers cistern and finished it about 3 this afternoon. Hauled my tools etc and a load of sand to Judge Amblers. Went to McMillans after supper and told Aunt Sarah about their hogs and cattle. Their meaness has been backing up a long time and I could stand it no longer. The hogs were in our corn today & the cattle were in the road preparatory to making a raid on us. I suppose if they had not been turned back. I told Mrs. M that they must keep them at home and of course she promised they would. I hope they will. Mark finished hauling out manure and has all or at least some of the dirty places made clean. Nora is at McMillans all day and will remain all night. Alice has been quite unwell andAunt Sara not very strong and Nora went to help them. Mother rec'd a letter from Harold Hise written at Burnegat N.J. Paid Geo Meredith 5 dollars on acct. His son came out and got the money.

Aug 28 Clear & pleasant. Worked all day at Judge Amblers repairing chimneys. They were built of brick that were too soft and I am taking them down to the garret floor and rebuilding with hard brick. Bill Hinchcliffeis doing the tops outside which are of stone. Have just read a letter from Miss Hallie McQuiddy of New Albany Ind. The letter was written to Sister Nina and gives the particulars of Creipton Hinnes Marriage to Alice Plummer. Creipt (or Jack as we used to call him) and I were boys together and I can recall many pleasant times we have spent together. Mark started the plow again and plowed till middle of afternoon. Then brought a load of sand to Amblers. Nora spent the day with Alice McMillan at the store. Frank went with Esty Arter in a buggy to Georgetown to play ball. ___ Lee and another fellow came out to grub in swamp but I guess they didnt do much good.

Aug 29 Clear & warm. Walked all day at Amblers and at night was pretty tired. But went to town after supper to attend to a little matter of business. Of course I rode up with Dolly & spring wagon. Sold 10 dozen eggs. Abbie Whinery is singing in Concert

Hall tonight. Frank & horse went up to hear her but didn't go together. Nora went with Alice & Ernest McMillan. Mark & Frank dug some potaotes. Hauled a load of brick to Amblers. A lovely night. Will read Tribune a while before retiring.

Aug 30 Clear & warm. Finished the chimney I began yesterday at Amblers. Went up town and attended to some matters that needed attention. Aunt Margaret & myself intended to go to Alliance to a meeting of Liberals & Freethinkers but I couldnt leave very well. Should have been glad to go. Frank Nora & Julia went after the Elderberries and got a tub full. We all turned in & helped to shell them & Sis put them up. Nina & Mabel were out today. Norman went on an excursion to Canada started yesterday. Went to town after supper. Paid Mark 5 dols. Bill Bowman 8.50 & To Mills $2.80.

Aug 31 Clear & hot. Went to cemetery with Aunt Margaret Sis & Little Howell. Aunt Mary Gee stopped here on her way from church and stayed till evening. Sis & Baby & I went home with her. Took a walk over the farm in afternoon. It was a warm walk. Nora Sis & Julia went to Gibbons in the evening.

Sep 1 Clear and hot. Hauled a load of sand to Amblers and in the afternoon worked there at the chimneys. Frank & I picked 6-1/2 bushels tomatoes and took them to market. The first we have sold. Parker Pillsbury called and stayed a couple of hours in the afternoon. In evening Aunt Margaret heard him lecture in Town Hall. I call him the finest speaker I ever heard, at least I would rather listen to him than any other. His lecture was a grand one giving his hearers much food for thought & reflection.

Sep 2 Cloudy all day but warmer. Had a rain in the night. Finished at Amblers before noon. Hauled my tools etc away and took some sand to Jont Oliphants where I have some work to do. Went to Joel Sharps to look at a little job they want done. Went to town after supper. Bought a couple of lamp chimneys and some bakers biscuit. Hon. L. Danford is addressing a Republican meeting in Town Hall I was there a little while. Rained a little while I was walking home.

Sep 3 Cloudy with drizzling rain nearly allthe afternoon and as I write at 2 past 7 P.M. it is raining pretty hard. I repaired a furnace at Joel Sharps which took me nearly all day. Mark hauled a load of straw to Firm Gee and plowed some. Bad weather for tomatoes.

Sep 4 Cloudy pleasant. Picked and took to market 17 bushels tomatoes. In afternoon Frank & I went to Jont Oliphants. Put up a scaffold and took chimney down to the roof. Mark hauled remains from J. M. Woodruffs. The rain last night having made the ground too soft to plow.

Sep 5 Pleasant. Frank and I worked all day except an hour or so when we hauled a load of brick to Robinson's fruit house at Oliphants and got the chimney done. Made a good job of it. Went to town after supper got the harness fixed. Mark having broken a tug today. Bought some nails and some shoes for Sis. Took supper with Aunt Margaret & Nora the first meal I have eaten in their part of the house. Rode home from town with

Arth McMillan. Got the Tribune today and will look it over before going to bed.

Sep 6 Clear & Pleasant put up another dozen tomato crates and in afternoon picked 8 bushels and took them to market. Sis Nora & Julia helped to pick them. Went to town after supper brought out a pair of shoes for Howell and a couple of pairs for Julia to look at. Mark finished plowing for wheat in the forenoon. He went to Alliance at 1 oclock and will probably stay till Monday.

Sep 7 Clear & pleasant in morning. Was up early & done the feeding. Brought the cows etc. packed some eggs in dry air staked ____. Took Mother over to Uncle Tims and stayed there with her til between 3 & 4 P.M. Walked out in the woods and over to Thos. Cratticks old place. Gathered a boquet of flowers and brought them to Maggie. Uncle Tim & Rachel had gone to a funeral. That of Mrs. Grove a daughter of Wm McCracken. Shep & a friend were up from New Garden and with our young folks went to the Colored Campmeeting held in Stewarts grove which _____ on our own woods. Sis wrote a letter to Aunt Libbie Hise West Liberty. Rained pretty hard about 8 P.M. and is pretty cool.

Sep 8 Quite cool and cloudy in the morning and everything wet from the rain last night. Was up early. Brought the corn & done the feeding. Neither Mark nor Frank are here this morning. Frank & I hauled sand and put down pavement at Agnes Hencilwoods. Got it all done before six oclock. Mark and his brother Pat came before noon. The latter stayed to dinner with us. Mark went for a load of coal in afternoon but didn't get it there being none out at Potters bank. Has been quite cold all day & was it not that it has clouded up I think there would be frost tonight.

Sep 9 Clear and cool in morning but no frost I believe. Frank & I worked at Doc Howells topping out chimneys got done by 6 oclock in evening. Sis & I went to Jim & Rebecca Hencilwoods tin wedding. It was a surprise party and took them unawares. Jim was at work at the Bentleys & his wife never suspected anything. Lots of folks were there a great many however were strangers to us. We left at two oclock and were the first to go. All were merry and having a good time when we came away. I forgot to mention that the presents of tin ware were numerous & most of them useful. Dr. John Harris died. Had been sick for some time. Was a good citizen.

Sep 10 Clear and pleasant cool though in morning & evening. Frank & I worked at Joel Sharps topping out chimneys. Had a dirty mean job but that kind of work must be mixed in with other and better. Mark hauled manure from town and in afternoon a load of coal from Rollers bank. Sis Howell & Aunt Margaret spent most of the day in town. I started with Dolly & spring wagon to bring them home just before supper but met them at the lane end. Am writing this at 2 past 11 P.M. have just got home from a meeting in Concert Hall which was addressed by Judge Wm H. West & General Garfield. West occupied most of the time and his speech was well worth listening to. He showed by what means the Mr. Smith was endeavoring to gain control of the Government & gave his reasons for thinking the Republicans should be kept in power. Garfield dealt wholly with the

Greenback question and how any honest & thinking Greenbacker could get over his argument is more than I can see. Poor little Bun is not well tonight being still troubled with diarrhea. Will look over the Republican before retiring.

Sep 11 Clear warm & pleasant. Went to McMillans and borrowed their washing machine. The women folks washed bedclothes. Pick 9-1/2 bu tomatoes and took them to town. McNabb the tomato picker told me he had orders for six carloads of canned tomatoes this week and was forced to decline them all. Had orders previous to them which he is afraid he cannot any more than fill. Took Mother to Uncle Jesses for a visit of a few days. Brought home 10 bushels of Springdale wheat for seed. We have the same variety but ours has a little rye in it so I exchange with Jake M Conner ____ the funeral of Dr Harris in afternoon but did not go to cemetery. Went to town after supper & made proposition to Building Committee of Baptist Church for brickwork on tower. Howell is quite unwell tonight.

Sep 12 Clear & pleasant until evening when it turned cloudy and after six oclock began to rain. Frank & I topped out two chimneys for Robert Trimble . Mark with Joe Gibbons to help finished the wheat and got it harrowed in one way around some timothy seed of which I bought 1-1/4 bushels of John Brown paid 2.50 per bu. Took Howell up to Dr Firestone who prescribed some medicine for him which I hope will do him good.

Sep 13 Very cloudy and foggy in the morning. In afternoon tolerably clear & pleasant. Frank & I hauled brick in forenoon and after dinner Allan Hise helped me and Frank & Mark took a load of straw to J. M. Woodruff & returned wheat I borrowed to Van Lyons mill. Mother & Aunt Margaret came home from Uncle Jesse's Mark brought them. I went to town in the evening and walked home in the rain at 9 oclock. Borrowed an umbrella of Uncle Jesses. Simon Summers paid me ten (10) dollars on acct.

Sep 14 Cloudy with drizzling rain at intervals. In the morning I fixed the well bucket a little and took a walk over the farm. Found things generally looking well. Our potatoes are about ready to dig. Opened the gate into another field and gave the cattle more pasture. Plenty of it now. Aunt Mary Gee and Rachel stopped here out of the rain on their way to meeting. Aunt Mary went home before dinner and Rachel stayed. In afternoon she and Aunt Margaret & myself went to the camp meeting held by one of the colored churches in Stewarts wood. The singing was amusing but I cannot say the preacher was instructive. I returned to write a letter to Uncle Geo in the evening but went to bed with Howell who is not at all well and didnt get up till morning. This is written on Monday morning.

Sep 15 Tolerably clear & pleasant. Hauled brick with two teams or rather with the three horses in afternoon. Frank & I picked tomatoes and Mark finished sewing timothy seed. Undertook to harrow the wheat again but finding that it had begun to sprout considered it was best not to harrow it two ways.

Sep 16 Clear & pretty cool. Topped out chimneys for Monroe Vickers. Dirty job.

Mark hauled several loads sand. Went up town after supper. Rode up with John Zimmerman and walked back. Am consequently tired. Frank went to Lisbon to a circus. Foolish boy. Aunt Margaret & Sis recd letter from Aunt Libbie Hise West Liberty. Bert Teeters & wife will start for Ohio tomorrow. Am glad to be able to note that Little Bun is some better.

Sep 17 Clear & pleasant. Frank & I topped out chimneys for Joseph Kerrs. Didn't get done. W. B. Donald, Agent for D. W. Ensign & Co Philadelphia delivered History of Columbiana Co. which Uncle Howell subscribed for more than one year ago. Walked up town after supper and paid for it at the American Hotel the price is ten dollars. Have not had time to look it over much but presume it is a good work. Mark hauled sand in forenoon and with Gibbons boys cut corn in afternoon. The Pioneers of Columbiana Co met in Salem today.

Sep 18 Cloudy and some rain in afternoon. Finished Kerrs chimneys before noon and after dinner all hands hauled brick, some to Methodist church and some to the Baptist church. Done pretty well for an unbeliever. Aunt Margaret & Mother spent the day at Uncle Tims. I went over in evening to bring them home but Mother stayed all night and probably for a day or two. Nora went to Literary and will stay all night at Cattells.

Sep 19 Very pleasant day tho somewhat cloudy at times. We all hauled brick in the forenoon, and after dinner Mark hauled a load of coal for Robt. Justice. Frank & Joe Post picked tomatoes. I worked in town a while in afternoon laying out foundation for a coal house for Simon Summers and left Robt Frank to do the rigging. Took 15 bushels tomatoes to McNabb. Bro Will is with us tonight being laid up with a broken rib given him by one of the boys in the shop (Harry Rank). Rank was only in fun? but it is a serious thing for Will. I went with him to Dr Firestone who prescribed some liniment and a tight bandage which I put on for him and he is now esconsed in bed and feels tolerably comfortable. Mother is home from Uncle Tims. Ratie brought her over. She recd a letter from Uncle John Enlow Louisville & I a copy of the Courier Journal.

Sep 20 Warm & Clear very pleasant weather. Built a foundation for coachhouse for Simon Simmers. Jerry Lacy helped me. Got done by 5 oclock. Frank brought the mare up and we brought home the buggy. It looks very well. While putting it in the carriage I ran against a stick and gave myself a terrible knock under the eye. Saw stars for a minute. Nina put some ____ plaster on the wound and it now feels comfortable. Went up town in evening. Bought some butter, crackers etc. Left my measure with Lucien Shoemaker for a new coat. Bro Will is not getting along very well. His chest hurts him a good deal. Have just rubbed him with liniment & adjusted the bandage around his chest and put him to bed. Hope he will pass a more comfortable night then last one was for him. Mrs. Harriet Arner called this afternoon & Aunt Margaret went home with her & will remain all night and probably for a day or two. Mark plowed for Samuel Chessman.

Sep 21 Clear & pleasant. Was up early and did chores about the house. Went out to cornfield before breakfast. After dinner Sis Howell & I went up near Beloit Station to see

Bert & Ellen Teeters. Bert has a sister living there who is very sick. We found the place but Bert & Ellen had gone to John Teeters. We started there and met them in the road. We were all very glad to meet and we turned around. went back to the house & had quite a chat. Didn't say half we wanted to as we thought it time to start home. Got here a little before six P.M. all in good shape. Bert & Ellen will probably be down on Tuesday. Aunt Margaret returned from Mrs. Arners. Had several visitors today. Among the rest Will Hise & wife & Baby. Carrie & Eishy Arter & in the evening Ernest McMillan. Cloudy at bedtime. Wrote a letter to Lou Teeters. Berts youngest daughter.

Sep 22 Clear & Pleasant. Hauled 4 loads of sand to Baptist church and in afternoon all hands hauled brick some to Baptist and some to Methodist Church. Mark finished plowing and has mowed our wheat. He had plowed for Chessman. Got things ready to commence brick work on Baptist church on the morrow.

Sep 23 Worked all day at Baptist Church. Got along pretty well. Went to town with spring wagon after supper and brought Bert & Ellen Teeters home with me. We are glad to have them here. Isaac Crumrine & wife came out and stayed the evening. Dr Firestone & I settled. He owed & paid me $5.35. He intends to start for Europe next Tuesday. Mark plowed for Mr. Gaily Frank picked and took to McNabb 22 bushels tomatoes.

Sep 24 Some rain fell last night and early this morning. Went to work at the Baptist church at nine oclock and worked the balance of the day. Turned quite cool in the afternoon and I was ___ to warm working with my coat on. Sis Bro. Nile and Ellen went over to Uncle Tims a while in the afternoon. Mark & Frank hauled some straw to Firm Gee and cleaned up some rye in the forenoon and of the noon hauled brick. Mrs. Arter & daughter Carrie came & spent the evening. Clear & cool bed time.

Sep 25 Clear & cool. Worked all day at Baptist church. Burt & Ellen Sis & Aunt Margaret visited at Isaac Crumrines. I went for them with the carriage after supper. The women rode home & Bert & I walked. Mark & Frank dug potatoes in forenoon and hauled them home & a load of brick to Baptist church. Engaged Robert Hall to tend tomorrow.

Sep 26 Clear and pleasant. Had quite a heavy frost last night. Bert Teeters helped me on the church and we got along very well would have got along better but were not very well attended. Robert Ford was up nearly all night and consequently could not do a good days work. We knocked off a little after five and will give the Tenders a good chance to rest up for tomorrow. Mark & Frank hauled brick. Aunt Ellen went to Dr Whinnerys this afternoon and at 7 P.M. has not returned.

Sep 27 Clear & pleasant. Bert & I finished brick work at Baptist church by noon. After dinner took Dolly & buggy and drove out East road as far as Eli Fawcetts and back to town and stayed till supper. Bert met several old acquaintances of 25 years ago. Brought Aunt Ellen home from Dr. Whinerys. Bert & I went to town again after supper. Brought home a new coat that Lucien Shoemaker made for me price 15 dollars. Mark & Frank

hauled brick. Picked tomatoes and took them to town etc etc. Somewhat cloudy at bed time and I think it will rain tonight. Have a very sore finger having mashed it unloading brick. Think the nail will come off. Bro Will not getting along well with his hurt.

Sep 28 Somewhat hazy & cloudy but no rain, quite pleasant. After breakfast Bert & I went to the woods. Bert climbed the chestnut tree and did the whipping and we came home with 4 or 5 quarts of chestnuts. The day passed very pleasantly (to me at any rate.) Towards evening Bert & Ellen went to Isaac Crumrines & will remain there all night. Uncle Jesse & wife & Mrs. McCurdy called in evening the latter is an old friend of Aunt Margarets but she was out for a ride and Mrs. McCurdy could not stay till we returned. Have just been reading Mrs. Chisholms account of the murder of her husband & children in Kemper County Miss in 1817. If her account is true (and I do not doubt it in the main) what an infamous set of scoundrels the best citizens of Kemper Co. must be. The ringleader Gelly Lee just been acquitted.

Sep 29 Clear & very pleasant. I riddled sand for an hour or so after breakfast until Sis was ready to go to town. Went with her to Dr Sampsells office where she had two teeth filled. Will go back again in a few days and have some more filled. After dinner I pulled our crop of beans which we brought home & put in the barn ready for threshing out some other time. Mark & Frank dug about 35 bushels potatoes and put them in the cellar. They are very fine. Bert went to Beloit to see his sister and as I am writing has just returned. Sis & Ellen went to Hal Arners a while towards evening. I wrote a letter to May Teeterss. As pretty a night as I ever saw. Judge Ambler paid me 36.30 & I paid Stratton & Daniel $2.30.

Sep 30 Clear & very pleasant. All hands hauled brick till noon.. After dinner I took the team and hauled one load of brick to Methodist church & got two shoes put on Betty. Mark and Frank picked 19-1/2 bushels tomatoes. Went to town in the evening and listened to a first rate political speech by Wm McKinley in Concert Hall. The Democrats had a meeting in Town Hall. Bert & Ellen visited at Isaac Leavins. Returned here at night. E. A. Lease & Co paid their months rent. Got the American Agriculturist. Another lovely night.

Oct 1 Clear warm & pleasant. Directly after breakfast Bert & drove up town went to post office and then to Johnathan Oliphants where we picked a basketful of grapes which John gave me. Came home and got ready for the Pittsburgh Exposition. The Excursion train was about 4 minutes late here and it was about 1 oclock before we got to the city. We will not go immediately to the grounds, but walked in the suspension bridge and about the City some. I called a few minutes on Lewin B. Fulton an old friend of mine found him in his shop near Market & water streets. Took a street car and got to the Exposition between 3 & 4 oclock. What we saw there I shall not undertake to say, but it was a grand display and all considered we were well repaid for the money it cost us. I think though that I never was quite as tired as when I took a seat in the cars about midnight. I don't want any more Excursions for a while.

Oct 2 We did not get home until about 3 oclock this morning. Went to bed and slept soundly till about 7. After breakfast Bert, Nora & I started to the New Lisbon fair. Had a pleasant day and got home in good time in the evening. Aunt Margaret returned on Evening train from Alliance where she went yesterday to attend reunion of Anti-Slavery men & women. Reports a very pleasant time. Would have been glad to have been there myself but couldnt be in two places at once. Mark hauled & ____ some sand. Little Howell is having lots of fun with the blocks we bought him from the Exposition. Sis got letters from Sister Fan & Flo Johnson.

Oct 3 Clear and very pleasant. Dug 12 bushels of peach blow potatoes and put them in the cellar. Sis and Howell & I went to depot with Ellen & Bert at ten oclock. They went to Beloit having been summoned to the bedside of Berts Sister who is very sick. Sis & Howell went on to Uncle Tims and spent a portion of the day. After getting the potatoes in the cellar Frank & I loaded some pumpkins and took them to McNabb. Played a few games of euchre after supper but it is not interesting to me as it once was. Frank went to Lisbon Fair.

Oct 4 Clear & pleasant. Was very dusty. Fixed a grate for Letty Carr on Rose street but will have to do the work over as it does not give satisfaction. They have had all the Bricklayers in town trying to fix that same grate but we have failed. If they will consent to having the chimney taken down & rebuilt I willguarantee a good job, not without. Mark & Frank picked 16 bu tomatoes and took them to market. After dinner Mark & I took a grist to mill and hauled a load of brick to Garrigues shop. Brought our ladders home from Jos Kerrs etc etc. The young folks including Sis & Little Bun went chestnuting and gathered nearly half a bushel. Buntin picked up about a pint and is going to have them put in a little sack and sent to Uncle Geo Hise who will be extremely tickled to get them. The Baptist church (By J. K. Strawn) paid me 80 dollars for work I done. Frank got a letter from Sister Fannie West Liberty. She is checking in a drygoods store. Went up town after supper and stayed a while. A lovely night.

Oct 5 Clear & too warm to be pleasant. 88 in the shade at our house at 2 P.M. Was up at 6 oclock fed the horses. Greased the buggy and was getting ready to go to Alliance with Aunt Margaret when she told me she had concluded not to go. Was glad of it afterward. Took Julia & Lena to Elijah Whinerys where they stayed till evening. The roads were very dusty and Dolly sweated freely. Little Buntin went with me. Towards evening we went out in the field and gathered some chestnuts. The callers we had Sister Lina & Mabel. Carrie & Espy Arter & Barclay & Mary Gilbert. Elijah Whinery brought Julia & Lena home in evening. Sis & I done the milking.

Oct 6 Clear & warm. In forenoon fixed a grate for Letty Carr. Think I made a good job and hope it will give satisfaction. Afternoon worked for Jo Bare building furnace in greenhouse. Didnt get it done and he will probably have to get some one else to finish it as I have other work promised. Mark & Frank gathered load of pumpkins and took them to Mrs. Thomas. 2470 lbs of them. Left the wagon at Sam Eltons to have a new front axle put in. Picked several bushels of apples mostly gates and put them in the cellar.

Brought grist home etc. I got a letter from May Teeters W Liberty.

Oct 7 Clear & warm. Worked all day at Garrigues shop building a chimney. Got it done. Must go back tomorrow and top out chimney on their dwellinghouse. Mark & Frank picked and took to market 26 bu tomatoes. The most we have picked in one day. Mother visited at Ninas and Sis and Howell at David Yingling. Rented two upstairs rooms in Trinity Block to Benjamin Koll. 25 ___ till the 1st of April. Engaged Wm Lampson to hang paper & clean the woodwork etc. John Bardsley an old friend has died.

Oct 8 Cloudy but not much rain after 7 A.M. Topped out old chimneys for Norman Garrigues and at night was tired & dirty. Sis came with black Charley and the spring wagon and brought me home for which kindness I was duly thankful. Mabel came with us and while I am writing this she & Bun & Lena are in the dining room raising Ned "playing bear". Nora & Frank together with Carrie Arter & Bessie Rush went to Canfield fair. Took Dolly and the old carriage as it looked rainy when they started at half past 7. They have not returned. Wm Lampson papered the upstairs front room over Leases store. Theatrical Troupe in Salem tonight. Have never been much of a theatre goer but have seen too many good ones to care much for 1 horse plays. ____ Fisher who hanged himself yesterday was buried.

Oct 9 Some cloudy in forenoon but no rain. cleared off afternoon and the weather is splendid. Hauled 2000 cellar brick to Agnes Hencilwood. afternoon all hands picked tomatoes. there are a great many of them ripening and I think we willhave more than 40 bushels. I took 17 bu. to McNabb and brought back more crates. Had to go to town after supper to get some one to clean the floor of room over Lease's. engaged a colored woman to do it. Sis & Aunt Margaret went to Grandfather Bardsleys funeral. got a letter from Louis Teeters West Liberty. got the Tribune and read it some.

Oct 10 Clear & warm. worked all day at Agnes Hencilwood's cellar. Mark & Frank put in most of the day in the tomatoes. have a large amount of them. Mark delivered 23 bushels and there are more yet. Couldn't get crates enough. Bill Bowman picked apples for us in afternoon. Will is suffering greatly with pain in his breast. fervently hope he will be better soon. Frank got a job in Silver & Demings works & will go to work Monday next. He & Nora went to Literary tonight. Aunt Margaret sprained her ankle and is laid up on the sofa.

Oct 11 Clear & warm. worked at Hencilwoods cellar till half past 4. run out of mortar and quit. Mark & Frank cut saw logs for shingles. Bill Bowman picked apples. Paid Bill Lampson 1.90 cents all I owe him. Am sorry to have to write that Bro Will is not getting along very well. Forgot to write that Mark delivered 20 more bushels of tomatoes.

Oct 12 Clear & warm. Was up early but not much ahead of Mark and we picked up cider apples and put them in barrels before breakfast. After breakfast we took black Charley and hauled our good apples into the barn. think they are better there than in the

cellar. put the wood rigging on the wagon etc. After dinner I took Dolly and drove over to H. Satterthwaits wanted him to haul some wood he owes us and he promised to do so. Saw a very nice young cow he has for sale but think his price is 4 or 5 dollars too high. Went from there to John Gaunts. he is building a new house & I made him a proposition to sell him his brick and put up his chimneys. Aunt Margaret & Mother visited Uncle Tims. Mark brought them home in the carriage. Little Howell got a terrible fall. struck the back of his head on the brick pavement. frightened us for a while but it apparently soon quit hurting him and now he seems to be well over it. Very pleasant night.

Oct 13 Clear & warm. We were in the tomato business today. Sis & I. Stephen Adams & Jo Gibbons picked 104-1/2 bushels of very finetomatoes. Mark took them to market and hauled one load of wood to the brickyard besides. This will be our largest picking and one load we took 36 bu. is the largest hauled to the factory as yet. Went up town in afternoon & again in the evening. gave Robert Hole a bill of the brick furnished to Methodist Church and a note for 88.90 to be signed by the Trustees of the same institution. Judge Ambler made a very good speech in Concert Hall. Met Bert Teeter there. he & his wife having come from Beloit today. they will remain at Jesse Ducks tonight & will probably be at our house some time tomorrow. Berts sister Mrs. Carson was buried yesterday. Quite warm tonight. walked home with my coat off and sweat at that. Frank started in at Silver & Demings making cores. Got along very well the first day.

Oct 14 Clear & warm. Genuine Indian summer. Was up tolerably early. Bought 3 year old cow & young calf of H. Satterthwait. Paid him 40 dollars cash. Stephen Adams & myself brought them home. put the calf in the spring wagon and the cow followed. Measured up some potatoes for Geo Merediths son (5 bu) he also took some straw for beds. Stephen riddled a good lot of sand and we now have that in good shape. Went up town a while after dinner. Paid Mrs. E. M. England 101.59 on a note given her by Uncle Howell. Said note now calls for 350 dollars with interest at 7 percent. Bert & Ellen Teeters came out in afternoon and after supper Bert & I went to town to hear some election news. Have just got home at half past 11. dispatches received in town indicate the success of the Republicans by a fair majority. hope the good news will be fully confirmed on the morrow. Sis has written a lengthy letter to Aunt Libbie Hise. W. Liberty.

Oct 15 I entirely forgot to make any notes in this Journal yesterday and I am writing this on the evening of the 16th. was very busy all day at Hencilwoods cellar. Mark hauled me a small load of sand and hauled wood to brickyard balance of the day. Bert went to Isaac Crumrines sale.

Oct 16 Clear and warm. finished Hencilwoods cellar by noon. made a very nice little cellar of what was a week ago a nasty mud hole. In afternoon we picked our tomatoes again. Sis & I. Stephen Adams & Joe Gibbons did the work. we had 39 bushels. Aunt Mary Gee with Rachel & Maggie her daughters came over today. (Maggie who has been

in poor health for a long time) will stay with us a few days. Bert & Ellen and Bro Tim went to Leetonia. Will has just got back at 9 oclock. The others will stay all night. Quite a good deal better and I hope will stay so.

Oct 17 Cloudy with some rain early in the morning. stopped raining a little after 7 A.M. and I went out to Bardilia French's and repaired a cistern for him. got done about 3 P.M. In the evening Sis & I went with Bert & Ellen out to Hannah Whites and spent the evening very pleasantly. Bert & Ellen got home from Leetonia on 4:40 train. Sis met them at the depot. Mark hauled some wood etc.

Oct 18 Cloudy and some cooler. put in the most of the day at Trinity Block fixing for water in 2nd story. Benj. Hillman did some carpenter work. Burt & Ellen Aunt Margaret, Nora & Will went to Harriet Arners for dinner. Sis intended to go but Julia went to Burton and Sis had to stay at home. Mark hauled some corn. took apples to Jack Farquhars and made 40 gallons cider. took 3 bushels potatoes to Jim Pasts wife our potatoes are rotting fast and must be attended to as soon as possible. Will went to the Buckeye this afternoon & found that he had lost his job. it is pretty rough on him for he was very seriously hurt and is not now let to work. it is however useless to cry for spilt milk and as they have offered him work in the setting up room I think he will conclude to take it. Burt called on Regin Bricker and some other old friends. Cool tonight.

Oct 19 Cloudy & cool. drizzled rain some early in the morning but soon cleared off. Was quite unwell last night and did not get up very early. Bert & Ellen Aunt Margaret Sis Little Howell & I went over and spent today at Uncle Tim's. Bert & Ellen stayed all night at Wm Kirtlans with Mrs Post. Ratie Gee came home with us and will stay all night with Maggie. I have felt very dull all day but am some better tonight. Julia & Lina came back from Benton this evening. Had some callers among the rest Emma Wilson and her sister Gip Walker.

Oct 20 Clear & warmer. have felt some better today. Went over with the spring wagon to Wm Kirtlans and brought Bert & Ellen. They with Sis & Little Howell went to Aunt Uras and staid the day. Maggie & Ratie went home before noon. In afternoon I topped out a chimney for James Post examined a cistern for Miss Allison which needs repairing (the cistern I mean not Miss Allison) and did some other chores in town. Mark & Stephen Adams looked over our potatoes and didn't find as many rotten as I feared. cut our brown corn and spread it out to dry. Picked 16 bushels tomatoes & took them to market. Geo Meridith was out and got 600 lbs of hay. In evening we had a game of euchre. Wrote a letter to John Teetors.

Oct 21 Cloudy & dull. Topped a chimney for Jesse Duck. Worked an hour or so in the rain afternoon in order to finish it. Stopped raining in later part of afternoon. Republicans had a ratification meeting in town tonight. A large number of people were in attendance. ___ ____ provision. Bands, Banners etc. Speeches by L. J. Firestone & Judge Ambler. We all went to town except Sis & Baby & Mother. They with Bert & Ellen & Aunt

Margaret visited at Sister Nina's today. Aunt M. stays all night at Uncle Jesses & Nora at Aunt Lib Waits. Sarah McMillen (by Ernest) paid me 50 dollars on acct. I paid Mrs. Warner 70 dollars interest. Agnes Hencilwood paid me 35 dols for work & material in cellar. Mark hauled some corn in forenoon and afternoon a load of coal for S. Adams.

Oct 22 Cloudy with a little rain in forenoon. Mark & I hauled brick in morning. 500 octagon to the station and put them on the car for J. T. Wybricht, Alliance. 1000 to Add. Carr for cistern. also 700 bats to same place. in afternoon I worked at Samuel Chessmans topping chimneys. Stephen Adams attending me. Went to town after supper. Paid John Satterthwait 38.50 interest. Bought a few onions. Has cleared of and the night is lovely. The women folks were in town a portion of the day. Bought an oil stove and some other goods of Ben Ju__d & Baxters.

Oct 23. Cloudy & cool. Worked at Chesmans till noon and had a pretty cool job, the wind blew from the north and I worked with my coat on all forenoon. After dinner Mark & I hauled brick to Robert Hole. The women folks went visiting over to Park Seeds. The shoe store of L. E. Arty & Son was entered last night and goods to the amount of 7 or 8 hundred dollars stolen. Hope they will catch the thieves & recover their property. Bought a barrel of Carbon oil (51-1/2 gallons) of E. A. Lease & Co. Paid 13 cents per gallon. Got my boots of J. Callahan who has been repairing them.

Oct 24 About 2 inches of snow on the ground this morning. unusual cold and blustering with occasional gusts of snow all day. Too disagreeable to do anything out of doors. Mark & I put away our cider and looked over a part of our apples and put them in cellar. Sis & I went to town a while and bought some dry goods of Simon Summers. Began a letter to Sister Fan. Will went over to Uncle Tims. reports Maggie better after her visit.

Oct 25 Clear & cool. Mark & I threshed out and cleaned up half a barrel of white beans. Assorted the balance of our apples and put them in the cellar. I went to the factory and got the balance of our crates. took Howell with me. and he was quite delighted to see so many folks at work. such piles of pumpkins & the engine running. McNabb paid me $67.74 so our tomato crop paid very well. Mark took a lot of oats & corn to mill & some straw to Phil Mathews. Aunt Margaret & Sis went to town in afternoon. Bought some more dry goods and a pair of shoes for Aunt M. from L. E. Arter. I took supper at Nina Garrigues and walked out home about 8 P.M. Mark Price & Mathew Lizzie & Mark Lyons are here to stay all night as is also Carrie Arter. Singing till ten oclock.

Oct 26 Clear & Bright. very pleasant. The first thing in order was an oyster breakfast gotten up as a surprise on me in honor of my 35th birthday. My wife (God bless her) gave me a photograph of Little Howell in a very nice frame & a new necktie made by her own hands. After breakfast I took a walk over the farm. The day passed very pleasantly. the younger members of the household spent nearly the entire forenoon in singing and playing the organ. After dinner Aunt Margaret Sis Howell & I went over to Uncle Tims a while. found them as well as usual except Aunt Mary who has had a bad cold. Coming home

Aunt Margaret stopped a while at Gibbons. their oldest daughter is quite poorly and I fear may never recover. has lung trouble. I went down and came home with Aunt M. after coming from Tom Sharps where I went on an errand. Wrote a long letter to Sister Fannie. The two boys Nora & Carrie Arter went to church in the evening. Marks niece & nephew started home at 3 P.M.

Oct 27 Somewhat cloudy & cool. Finished Chessmans chimneys a little afternoon and got my money for the job. Hauled 400 Brick for Robt Hole. picked some green tomatoes for Mr. Eli Fawcetts. Mark hauled wood from Philip Evans to Brick yard. Bill started in at the Buckeye again today and got along very well. I ____ for him in the evening and brought him home in the Brick wagon. Mrs. Goucher is here and will stay all night. Have put up a new lamp at my desk and like it much. Little Bun went to bed before supper.

Oct 28 Cloudy cool & windy. several showers of rain during the day. I hauled brick with one horse and Mark hauled stove to Jim Brunners furnace. and afternoon hauled several loads wagon load of pumpkins. put them in the grove convenient for feeding the corn in the field below the barn. Samuel Chessman paid me 14.52 all he owed me. Sold 2 bu gate apples to Mr. Frankins. 40 cents per bu. have the reward for them. & will deliver them soon. Got American Agriculturist.

Oct 29 Pretty windy but pleasant. Hauled a load of brick to F. Manht and one to Robert Hole. Took 2 bushels gate apples to Mr. Hawkins. Filled a bed tick for the young man who sleeps in town bunk and took it to him. Mark hauled in a load of corn and stone & gravel to Jim Brown. Paid John R. Williams 20 dollars being an account against the Estate transferred to W. by A H Harmon. Bought a new bushel basket. Sis went up town a while in afternoon.

Oct 30 Cool & windy. Topped out 2 chimneys for Isaac Crumrine. In afternoon Bert & I went in the Buggy down to Hollow mill. tried to buy some coal but diggers are on a strike and coal is scarce. Drove over to Uncle Tims before supper to tell him that Bert was going to ship his apples tomorrow. Bert & Ellen came at noon from Alliance at noon. They lost their satchel while at Alliance it having been carried off by mistake (I suppose) by another party. They recovered it though today. Mark hauled some stone to Browns and some corn from the field. Had a good game of uchre in evening.

Oct 31 Cool & windy. Bert & I put some apples in barrels and took them to depot. I send one barrel to Uncle Geo Hise ½ bbl to Aunt Phebe Hencilwood and ½ bbl each to Geo Johnson. Michael Gormon & Henry Lurypach. the two latter are my old “tenders” who worked with me while in Iowa and I feel like making them a little present. Paid A. R. Silver 10 dollars for water fixtures in Trinity Block. Took some apples to Milton Davis & some potatoes to Wm Koll. Brought chop home from Buckeye Mill. Bert & Ellen stay all night with Ed Lease. Frank & Sara went to a dance in Vermont Block.

Nov 1 After an early breakfast hitched Dolly to one horse wagon and Stephen Adams &

I went out to the Thomas farm and topped out a couple of chimneys. Had a miserable cold job of it. got done before 1 oclock and got home by 3 after stopping in town a while with Bert & wife & Sis going to the Buckeye shops. I came on home. put the horse away and went with them. looked over the ___ shop and the Foundry. got home before dark. Went to town a while after supper. collected 5 dollars of F. Maickt. bought some sweet potatoes etc. Have got the toothache. Aunt Margaret & Ellen went to Ben Casselberrys in evening.

Nov 2 Cloudy & cool. had quite a snow storm in afternoon. Stayed at home all day. Picked up and hulled some walnuts. Bert & Ellen went up to Whinerys and from there expected to go to Stephen Richards. At bedtime they have not returned. Wrote a letter to uncle Geo.

Nov 3 Cloudy cold & stormy. Mark & I hauled in our cabbage & buried it. dug up some celery and put it in cellar. assorted our peach blow potatoes. in afternoon cut a white oak tree and hauled a couple of logs to Sharps saw mill. want some plank for cow stable. went up town in evening and bought some spikes. Bert & Ellen came back in forenoon. Played euchre in evening. freezing some tonight.

Nov 4 Cloudy & raw. Hauled a few stone for foundation under cow stable floor. took barrel of oil back to E. A. Lease it not proving satisfactory. Told him to order for me a barrel of Pennsylvania test oil from Pittsburgh. signed an application for $1000 insurance on Trinity Block in Richland Mutual Ins. Co. Gave Philip Matthews a note on R. Jobes for $5.50. Bert & Ellen started home on 4:31 train. Sis & Bun Nora Frank & Will & I were at the station to see them start. were in hopes we could keep them here fore another week but they felt as though they had better go. I count Bert Teeters one of the best men I ever knew. an honest straight forward man & steadfast friend. his wife is an excellent woman. Mark hauled 18 bushels coal this afternoon.

Nov 5 Cloudy & cold. Hauled brick and a load of flack from saw mill. took some sand to John Kysers meat shop and will build a chimney there when weather moderates. Bought 7 or 8 lbs of beef from Ed Lease. Mark bought himself a pair of rubber boots from Jobes. price 4 dollars. Ratie & Aunt Mary Gee came over in forenoon. Aunt Mary stays all night. snowing fast at 7 P.M.

Nov 6 Cloudy & warmer. thawed considerable and roads somewhat sloppy. Mark & I took a load of straw to Sommeres & Gee. Moved some hay for them from one barn to another. in afternoon I worked at chimney for John Kaiser. Nora took Aunt Mary Gee home. got the Tribune will read cheering election news. Got a copy of the Tribune but have not read it. played euchre till almost bedtime.

Nov 7 Cloudy and dull in forenoon but sun shone bright after dinner. Worked all day at Kaiser chimney and got it done. Mark hauled a load of coal to Gibbons and took a grist to mill. Sis was up town in afternoon and I rode home with her. Nora went to Cattells in evening.

Nov 8 Clear & quite warm. Mark hauled a load of sand and 400 brick to Henry Leaf in Etna street where I worked until 2 oclock. I then knocked off and looked after some matters of business which needed my attention. Settled with Robert Hole who gave me $127.40 in cash and his note for 100 dollars due in six months. John Kaiser paid me 16 dol. for chimney. Norman Garrigus 8.50 for work ___ ____ by Ed Lease 24.25 for rent. Paid L. L. Shoemaker 16 dols and Geo Meridith 5.50 and we all now agree with them. Gave Mark five dollars. He and Frank went up to Pats. Came home early and done the feeding and went to town after supper. Bought some sugar etc. Walked out with Julia at 9 oclock. Wind moving from south east and feels like rain.

Nov 9 Cloudy & windy with occasional drizzles of rain. spent the entire day at home. riddled a load of sand. dug an picked our crop of beets (4 bushels) and put them in the cellar. Took a walk over the farm. Sis & Bun went down to Gibbons in afternoon. Mark & Frank got back from Pats about dusk. brought 3 fine turkeys with them and some switzer cheese.

Nov 10 Cloudy & pleasant. no rain. worked at Henry Leafs building chimney. stopped an hour in afternoon and loaded some brick for John Gaunt. Went up to Jerry Lacys in evening and got him to help me come tomorrow. Got a letter from Uncle Geo Hise W. Liberty. Mark hauled in some corn and some sand & brick to where I was working. Sis went to town in afternoon. Nora got a letter from Edmund Sackett Hise. Received Insurance Policy of 1000 dollars on Trinity Block. I had it insured in Richland Mutual of Mansfield. the building already has 1000 dollars insuranceon it but I thought I ought to double it as in case of fire (which I think very improbable but which might happen). 1000 would not go far toward rebuilding.

Nov 11 Cloudy & warm. Worked till noon at H. Leafs. afternoon got Jerry Lacy to lay brick in my place. Hauled some brick to different places and loaded one load for John Gant. went up town before coming home in the evening and bought sugar & cod fish. sugar has advanced in price owing to speculation. Mark hauled a load of coal in forenoon to Dr. Sampsell and afternoon a load of slack for ourselves. Frank is 19 today. Nora gave him as a birthday present a china dog and Carrie Arter gave him a little tin cup with “My Boy” printed on it. Mother got a postal from Sister Fannie W. Liberty.

Nov 12 Cloudy warm & showery. Aunt Margaret Sis & Buntin & Nora besides a number of others from town went down to Aunt Uras. Had a kind of party for Samuel Sharpnack who is 70 years old today. would love gone myself but then thought best not to lose the time while the weather is warm and fit to work. The folks didn’t get back till 6 P.M. Had a very good time. there were about 40 people there. Uncle Sam got among the presents a suit of clothes complete. Mark took the folks and brought them back in the big wagon and hauled a load of coal between times. I hauled brick in forenoon & fixed Gibbons well in afternoon. Young folks went to a dance tonight. Jobes find rent for up stairs room. Gave them a receipt to Dec 1st 1879.

Nov 13 Clear & warm like spring. worked in the forenoon in a cellar on East Broadway for Archie Cook. in afternoon topped some chimneys for Ed Rup. The weather is very mild and pleasant. and worked all day in my shirt sleeves. Mark hauled 2 loads of gravel for Jim Brown and load of coal for Stephen Adams. Got a letter from John Teeters West Liberty announcing the safe arrival of his parents and giving other interesting news from western folks. Must answer soon. Read Tribune & Republican.

Nov 14 Cloudy & wet most of the day. Went up town early in morning with oil etc to paint roof in Trinity Block but rain prevented my not doing work of that kind. Mark & I put down 2 hitching posts for Lucien Shoemaker. got some cement and did some pointing on Trinity Blk. In afternoon Labled some brick for hearths and took 1 grate to Henry Leafs on Etna St. Had a very hard rain and wind storm about 2 past in afternoon. Saw Radie Gee up town after the storm was over. she had left her carriage with the front toward the storm and it was fairly soaked inside. Gave her a dry cushion out of my wagon and a rug for her feet and she went on her way rejoicing. Bought stuff and got measured for a new pair of pants at L. L. Shoemaker. Sis will make them for me as she thinks she cannot make 1 dollar easier. Got a letter and West Liberty paper from Fan. read them both this evening. Frank & Sara went to party at Albert Brians. Mark got in 2 loads of corn between rains.

Nov 15 Rained all forenoon but cleared off in afternoon and was very pleasant. Put in two grates for Henry Leaf and got home by 5 P.M. Went up town after supper. Paid Lucien Shoemaker 3 dollars for a pair of every day pants. Sis is making them. Paid Jerry Lacy 2 dols for work done for me. He owes me but being hard pushed for money I pay him half cash for his work and give himcredit for other 2. Bought 3 pairs of socks of Jont Oliphant for 1 dollar. he owed me that amt and we are now square. Little Howell fell and got his hand in the grate and bruised it pretty severely. Said he was trying to light a "Lugar" (cigar). Mark looked over some of our apples and after dinner brought in 2 loads of corn that had been covered with fodder and kept pretty dry. Joseph Venable died today or last night I know not which. He was formerly a slave but ran off many years ago and has lived in Salem most of the time. In his younger days he was a giant in strength and was a famous cra_____.

Nov 16 Clear & pleasant. done several little chores about the house and took a walk over the farm and down to the saw mill where we are having some shingles made. stopped a while at Gibbons. After dinner Sis & I walked over to Uncle Tims where Nora Will & Little Howell had gone in the morning. all came home before dark. Afterwards I drove up town. took Nina some yeast and engaged Henry Rutzell to paint tin roof on Trinity Block. Mother spent the day at Gibbons. David Yengling made us a short call. talks some of renting a place out this way and we encouraged him all we could. Clear & pleasant in evening.

Nov 17 Clear & cool enough for me to work all day with my coat on at John Gaunts building chimneys. got home before dark. (had Dolly & spring wagon) stopped at Uncle

Tims on my way home and got a basketful of celery which they gave me. tried some for supper. very good. Mark took some oil up town for Henry Ritzell who started to paint roof on Trinity Block. he knocked off at noon thinking the weather looked threatening. am glad he did for it began raining before dark and at bedtime is raining fast. Have all our corn that is husked in the crib. Will is working till 10 P.M.

Nov 18 Cloudy & wet. snowed most of the day and at night is freezing a little. took Nora to school and borrowed a spirit level of Norman Garrigues. mine is at John Gants. Mark & I worked at corn stable and got it nearly done.

Nov 19 The morning bid fine for a pleasant day but it soon began to grow colder and the wind blew steadily allday. making it rather uncomfortable for outdoor work. I worked all day at John Gaunts. stopped at Uncle Tims going over. came back by way of town got 87.65 of Ed Lease left with him _____by H. Leaf. Went to town after supper. Met Walter Brian by appointment. had a talk about store room. Mark husked corn and hauled in what he husked. not a very heavy job I suspect. The Drummer Boy of Shilow is being played in Concert Hall tonight. Warm and rain little.

Nov 20 Cold & stormy. snowed steadily until afternoon. out door work was of course out of the question. did some chores about home and after dinner went to town a while. didn't do much good there and came home with Mark & Nora after a short time.

Nov 21 Cold & cloudy but warmer than yesterday. took Nora to school. bought some new stove plates and put them in the cookstove. cost 1.35. Mark & I put the calves where we want them & had a devil of a time doing it. Went to town in afternoon. Paid Hen Rutzell $6.22 for painting roof & furnishing 2 gallons & 1 qt of oil. Paid Holmes & Burt 1.35 for paint. Settled with Burford & Baxter. owed and paid them $6.10. Came home after mail was changed in evening. got West Liberty paper and read it. Pretty cold tonight.

Nov 22 Cloudy & cold. Went to town with Sis and Howell in forenoon. Exchanged bedsteads with Nina Garrigues. Bought some shirting for Mark & Myself. Settled with Simon Summers owed & paid him 2.52. spent the afternoon in town. settled with Thos. Wilson. owed & paid him 16.15. Paid M. L. Young 9.70 for insurance. Rec'd 4.50 of Jos. Fawcett & 2.45 of Mary Negus. 1.40 of Litty Carr. Came home before night and stay home.

Nov 23 Cloudy & snowing some in morning. got up late (after 7) but couldn't have done much if I had been up early. snowed a little at intervals all day. Nina & Mabel Garrigues were here for dinner as was also Arthur McMillan. I spent the entire day at home and in the house. in evening Will Nora & Julie went to Gibbons. Sis wrote a letter to Sister Fannie. I read some in old Harpers Monthly.

Nov 24 Clear & cold but pleasant for winter. done the milking. helped Mark with the feeding and then went to town where I stayed till noon. came out with Mark and helped

him load 2 cord of wood for Allan Boyle. have sold him 1 cord for $2.25. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal from Ira Moores bank. one to Bob Justice and one to Samuel Gibbons. Bought Mother a pair of spectacles of ____. Read tomorrow is her __9th birthday. A lovely night. clear & bright ("which is verse tho I hadn't such intentions").

Nov 25 Clear and pretty cold. thawed considerable. worked at John Gaunts and got one chimney top on and another started. did not work much more there 2 day as it is a good ways to go & come. Stopped at Uncle Tims who butchered 4 hogs and I brought some meat home with me. also a birthday present for mother from Rachel Gee. Went up town after supper and tried to see Seth Dunn Supervisor with whom I have some business but failed to find him. Mark hauled a load of coal home and a load of slack for Gibbons.

Nov 26 Clear and warm enough to work at John Gaunts chimneys. Took supper at Uncle Timothys and got home before 7 P.M. Mark hauled a load of coal for Bob Justice and in afternoon hauled a few brick to R. Hole and brought in the corn . Gibbons boys husked. Sis had her old shoes mended again. Will & Frank go to circus.

Nov 27 Warm & pleasant. Thanksgiving day. Our folks had a turkey dinner and Mrs. Gibbons & Emmoretta were here. Mark brought them up in the carriage. I would have liked to have stayed at home myself but am anxious to finish at Gaunts while the weather is tolerable. had a splendid day to work and got along very well. stopped at Uncle Tim's on my way home and brought home some sausage. Mark hauled in some fodder. took some corn to mill and did other small jobs. Young folks went to Literary.

Nov 28 Cloudy warm & windy. had quite a rain in afternoon and had to stop work on chimneys for an hour or more. am done there except topping out one chimney. Aunt Margaret went as far as Uncle Tims with me when I went to work & I brought her home in evening after taking supper with Uncle Tims folks. we were caught in a heavy rain before getting home but were not in it long enough to get wet through our clothing. Got the Tribune & read about the 3rd or 4th chapter of a new story. "Probation" and we all like it. Mark hauled a load of coal & did odd jobs around home. Noras toothache is better.

Nov 29 Cloudy cold & stormy. Went down to Gants early in the morning. was anxious to finish & thought I could do so if it was a little rough. but before I got there I found it was getting too bad to work but I went on and got my tools and brought them home with me. have some grates to set in town & will probably set them before going back to Gaunts. After stopping at Uncle Tims a little while I went on to town. got front shoes on Dolly moved. she is some pain. Will Hise says there is a gravel in her foot and it will probably have to work its way out the top of her foot as he could not reach it. Helped Mark haul a load of paving brick to F. Marks. he & Stephen Adams hauled 3 loads in forenoon. some of us made a bad calculation & we shall have several hundred to haul away. Freezing pretty hard tonight. Brought our cart home from Eltons shop this afternoon. would sell a cart cheap as we have 3 of them.

Nov 30 Clear & pleasant winter weather. Was up early and gave Dolly a good cleaning & brushing. After breakfast walked down and opened the gate and turned the cows in below Gaileys. went from there over to saw mill & through the woods. Jacob McConner came up to look at a couple of steers we have for sale. we went together to look at them and I sold him the two for 55 dollars. we are to keep them 2 weeks for him. after we got through with the cattle Jake & I with our two dogs took a walk through the woods & fields hoping to scare up a rabbit but saw none. I got home in time to get dressed before dinner time. After dinner Sis & Howell & I walked up to David Yenglings. had a pleasant visit and got home about dark. "Little Buntin" trotted along most of the way and we all enjoyed our walk. Julia & Lena are at Elijah Whinerys. Will took them out this morning and they will stay all night.

Dec 1 Clear & pleasant . Roads very rough in the morning. so rough that I left Dolly and the wagon at Uncle Tims on my way to John Gaunts and footed it the rest of the way. Finished the chimneys about 3 oclock. John gave me 15.27 dollars in money & due bill for 13 dollars. Ratie Gee came home with me and will stay all night. This is Nora's 17th birthday. her mother gave her a very nice boutmonnaire and I am going to town after supper to get a silver dollar to put in it. Mark husked 17 shocks of corn & hauled it in and did chores about the house. I went up town after supper. got the dollar mentioned above. had a talk with Walter Brian. Samuel Gibbons paid me 9.51 for coal.

Dec 2 Clear & pleasant. Hauled a load of brick from F. Mau____ to J. Bissell. came home and Mark & I covered our strawberries and asparagus. Gibbons finished husking the corn and slack brought it in. I was in town a while in afternoon. collected some money & took Ratie Gee home in the evening & afterwards went up town. Brian Bros did not accept proposition I made them on corn in storeroom. I will probably make them another.

Dec 3 Warm & mild in the morning when I am writing. Mr. Kirk has just been here and wants us to keep a young bull for him until about New Years. Think I will do it. Took our cow down to Jo Davis & left her there till tomorrow. put her in a cage and hauled her down in the wagon which is easier than driving on foot. Mark went from Davis to the coal bank and brought home 25 bu coal. Made Walter Brian another proposition but they thought best not to accept. They would like to have the store room at a less rent than we can afford to take. Had a talk with Jobes & his wife and they are desirous of keeping the store room and want to lease it for 3 years. think probably they can have it. Bought 5 of Ingersolls lectures in pamphlet form of Ernest McMillan. Read about ___ _____ Liberty of Man Woman & Child and all pronounce it grand. ___ raining in afternoon and at bedtime is still raining. Mother got a letter from Sister Fannie & I got a paper. Subscribed for Ohio Farmer $1.40 and renewed for Salem Republican $2.00.

Dec 4 Cloudy & dull. Went with Mark and brought the pig from Jo Davis and brought __irks bull home with us. Mark went for a load of coal in afternoon for Robert Justice. I

spent most of afternoon in town. Bought a few groceries etc. got the Tribune. read a portion of it and also another of Ingersolls lectures "Hereafter". Mother got a letter from the Teeters girls West Liberty.

Dec 5 Clear warm & mild. weather like spring. Helped do the chores in the morning and then went to town where I spent most of the day trying to make some satisfactory arrangement as regards one of our store rooms. Mother Sis & Little Howell spent the day at Uncle Tims. Mark Hauled 2 loads coal (40 bu) to Bob Justice. Arth McMillan spent the evening with us.

Dec 6 Cloudy & warm for December. rained a good deal. Went to town morning & afternoon. brought some jars from ____ Sharps to be filled with lard. bought some fire clay to repair furnace in wash house. compared accounts with Aquilla Pigeon. find that he owes us $171.50. I intended to go town with Sis & Nora aafter supper but it rained & we all stayed at home. Read Ingersolls "Mistakes of Moses".

Dec 7 Clear & pleasant. Got up at 6 oclock. done the milking etc. stayed at the house until after dinner when I took a walk down to the mill and through the woods. afterwards Sis Howell & I went to McMillans and stayed for an hour or so. Ella Hudlemyre visited us. Frank Nora & Will spent the day at Uncle Tims.

Dec 8 Cloudy & dull. Went up town a couple of times but didn't do much good that I know of. helped Mark haul a load of straw to Will Woodruff in afternoon. Afterwards Mark took 2 cord wood to Tom McCarty. After supper I went down to Andrew Gaileys who is Assessor of Perry Township. want to rectify a mistake he & I made in regard to Personal property of this Estate. think I will succeed. Found Charles Leaf here when I got home. wants me to set a couple of grates for him tomorrow. promised to do it.

Dec 9 Cloudy & dull. set 2 grates for Chas. Leaf & helped Mark haul a load of fodder for ___ Gee. Mark hauled 20 bu coal in forenoon. Aunt Mary Gee came over this evening & will stay allnight. wrote a note to W. S. Beattey asking him the amount of taxes due. sent him a card for reply. got some thin board and tied up a photograph of Bro. Will which Mother is sending together with a letter she has written to Uncle John Enlow Louisville Kentucky.

Dec 10 Cloudy & wet. rained most all day. Went to town taking Nora to school. bought some lime and repaired furnace in wash house. Set up mothers old clock but it refuses to run. Went to town again in evening and had a talk with Ed Lease and afterward with Brian Brothers about the store rooms. Am trying to do the best I can with them and find that it takes head work and lots of pulling & hauling. Got a letter from Uncle Fred Sheets Washington Iowa. was glad to get it and will answer soon.

Dec 11Clear and pleasant in morning when I am writing. Mark has gone for a load of coal. I did the milking etc. Mr. Gailey has been here and we have been reviewing our tax list for trying to rectify some mistakes. Took Mother Aunt Margaret & Aunt Mary Gee

up to Uncle Jesse's where they stayed all day and Sis brought them home in the evening. Went to town a while in afternoon to Woodruffs Foundry and ordered a casting made for furnace in washhouse. came home in time to help Jobby McConnor drive home a steer which I sold him some days ago. Then went to the depot to say goodbye to Aunt Ura & Uncle Sam Sharpnack who left at 4.37 for Creston Iowa in a visit to their daughter Mary E. Fuller. a good many friends & relatives were at the depot to see them off. Left a couple of bags at Vanegoes Mill to have some buckwheat in which Robert Tolerton left there for me. Got the Republican & Tribune and looked over them. Also _____ from W. S. Bentley County Treasurer giving amt of tax due this month $93.85. Mark hauled 40 bushels coal to Dr. Sampsell. Mr. Gailey gave me 5 dollars. still owes me 50 cents for pasture. Ed Lease put up a new stove in storeroom. I had almost forgotten to write that I engaged Victor Brown to play the fiddle at our house on Christmas Eve. the young folks are going to have a party.

Dec 12 Clear & cold. Roads frozen solid and are too rough to haul coal. Mark took Aunt Margaret & Aunt Mary Gee to McMillans where they spent the day. I went up town in morning and stayed awhile. settled accounts with Joseph Fawcett. He held a due bill $25 given to Joseph Ball by D. H. Hise in 1860. I had an account against him (for brick) calling for 53.78. He gave me the due bill and his note for 13 dollars for my account. I thought perhaps I could get him to settle an acct of H. Judd & Co. against the Estate but he thought he could not and I didn't urge it but paid the account in cash 13 dollars. Went over to Uncle Tims and stayed till after dinner. Stopped at Sturts Mill and engaged a little lumber for cow stantions. Went up town after coming home and got a ring for furnace in work house. rode up & back with Jobby McComs.

Dec 13 Clear & cold. While repairing one of our wagons this morning I undertook to lift one end of the bed and strained my back. helped Mark with a load of corn fodder afterward but by the time we got to the barn my back hurt me so I was forced to come to the house and here I am yet unable to take a step without severe pain. Mr. Gailey called and left statement to be handed to County Auditor. He reduces the valuation on Personal property of the Estate from $1600.00 to 500.00. Marks Brother Pat called In a few minutes. Evening and my Back is no better. cant walk at all without danger of falling. but I hope to feel better by morning. Mark has been kept very busy all day and did not get through until after dark. After hauling in 4 loads of fodder he took a cord of wood to Jacob McConner and brought home some lumber from Sturts mill. then took a couple of bed ticks to town. When Frank came home he brought me a Louisville Courier Journal which is the largest newspaper I know of. contains an account of General Grants late visit to Louisville. besides a vast amount of other news. it was sent me by Uncle John Enlow. Sis & Nora went to town in afternoon.

Dec 14 Cloudy & drizzly & warmer. Of course I had to stay in the house all day with my back. it still pains me very much. Dr. Rush came out this afternoon advised me to be very quiet for a few days and thinks I will come all right. left me medicine. Put in the time reading the Louisville Courier Journal etc. Mark took Aunt Mary Gee home in afternoon. I think her visit did her good. Johnny Sheppard came last night and will stay

will tomorrow. Wrote a note to Norman Garrigues concerning taxes.

Dec 15 Cloudy cold & somewhat starry. Walked down to the barn in the morning but felt the worse for it all day. A shocking accident occurred this morning at the railroad crossing area where Samuel Martin lives. Enoch McConner with his two daughters while attempting to cross the railroad in 2 horse wagon were struck by the engine. McConner was frightfully mangled but not killedoutright. The 2 girls were thrown out but not seriously injured. Both horses were killed. they had waited until 1 train had passed and started across as soon as it got out of the way but another train was close behind (too close I guess) and struck them. It is a very ugly road and we will ____ it. Sent $100.00 to Norman Garrigues to pay our taxes with. Mark took our hogs down to Jacob McConners to have them butchered but the accident to his Father will prevent his doing so. Mark brought them home again and put them in the barn. Mother went up to Ninas to stay a few days. Ratie Gee was here a while in afternoon. Read some in "Excursions" by H. D. _____.

Dec 16 Do not know from actual contact what the weather is out of doors for I have not set my foot outside the house today. The sun has shone a part of the time & judging from the way passers by are wrapped up it must be pretty cold. I have lain flat on my back all day giving my back a chance. think I am considerable better this evening. Read some. made a drawing of some work I want to do when I am able and otherwise passed away the time. Sis sat by my side & sewed most of the day. This evening she and Julia have gone to town to see the Christmas "pretty things". Nora is staying all night with Carrie Arter. Frank brought home with him a couple of West Liberty papers & a note from H. W. Brown of New Lisbon soliciting my influence to make him Auditor of Col. Co. I have had a speaking acquaintance with him for a number of years & I think he would probably make a good officer. but I think he is one of a set of office seekers. (Chronic ones). Mark hauled a load of slack this forenoon and did various chores after dinner. took some wheat to mill. got his horses shod all round & attended to having some lard jars weighed. Charley & Betty shod all round.

Dec 17 Pretty cold but fine winter weather. Stayed in the house all day with the exception of one trip to the barn and wash house where I ground our butcher knives while Sis turned the grindstone. Wrote a long letter to Uncle Fred Sheets. Washington, Iowa. Jacob McConner killed 7 hogs for us today. Sold one of them dressed to Philip Matthews and the other 6 we cut up this evening after supper. I helped what I could and we got along fine. My back feels considerably better. Nora is writing an essay on the Life of Thomas Paine, and will read it in school tomorrow.

Dec 18 Fine winter weather. got along with our butchering first rate. I got the sausage meat ready for the chopping machine and salted the hams & shoulders. Mark and the women folks worked steadily all day at the lard etc and at night all hands are tired. Frank is working tonight. thot he may have a ½ holiday tomorrow. Nora read her essay on Thomas Paine in school today. It was pronounced good.

Dec 19 Clear & fine winter weather. thawed some in middle of the day and the roads are good. Went to town in the buggy in the forenoon. first time for a week. My Back is a good deal better though somewhat stiff & sore yet. Collected some money. In afternoon Mark & I took our sausage to M. L. Edwards shop & got it stuffed. had 179 lbs. sold some of it. Paid R. T. Trimble $12.80 on acct of D. H. Hise. Took little Howell to his Aunt Ninas & he stayed there till evening when I brought him home. he enjoyed it immensely & likes to go to town. Salem is full of Christmas.

Dec 20 Cloudy & damp. Went up town a couple of times. Paid Daniel Crumrine $9600 interest and attended to some other matters of business. Took some lard to Tim Sharps & Mrs. Trimbles. Bought a barrel of carbon oil of E. A. Lease & Co. 51-1/2 gals at 13 cts per gal. Got first number of Ohio Farmer. do not like it as well as I expected to. Perhaps it will improve with longer acquaintance. A. H. Wilson paid me 2.75 & Nate Frank $1.00 all they owe me to date. Mark hauled 30 bushels oal in forenoon. Roads are pretty good. The people of Salem are somewhat stirred up about the pardon of Henry Baldwin by the Governor. He was sentenced for 12 years in the Penitentuary for a heinous offence which I will not mention here and has served but a _____furatively short time less than 2 years I think. his freedom seems to have been obtained by a misrepresentation of facts and by men who know better.

Dec 21 Clear & cold. was up early and did considerable _____ for Sunday. Levi Strabley came up to borrow our rifle and I walked home with him to borrow a plow & groove plane. coming back I was hailed by Benjamin Hillman who requested me to go for Dr Fawcett as his adopted daughter Annie now Mrs. Lodge was very sick. I hurried along and met Arthur McMillan at their lane with horse & spring wagon. we drove to town on the double quick. found Dr. F. and had him out in a hurry. Mrs. L. is better in evening. Sis & Howell & I went over to Uncle Tims after dinner and came home before dark. Howell fell asleep coming back and consequently broke in on his regular hour for going to sleep we didn't go to bed till after 9 oclock. Ernest McMillan spent the evening with us. Weather is moderating at bed time.

Dec 22 Cloudy & warmer. rained a good deal in the night. Went to _____ & Dennings and got some black walnut ____. also got some stuff in shop for a clothes horse which I am making for Aunt Mary Gee. Went over to Uncle Tims after dinner and brought Ratie Gee home with me. She comes to help make some cakes etc for Nora's party on Christmas eve. Went up town with Ratie & Nora but was not ready to come home when they did. Went to Mrs. Emily Robinsons and got a plant which I do not know the name of but it is the same that D. H. Hise sent to Soldiers Home at Dayton. The plant is a rare one. Got tax receipt from Norman Garrigues who paid the taxes for me. 90.53. Levi Straley brought our gun home.

Dec 23 Cloudy with some rain towards evening. I worked all day in the shop. Made a clothes horse for Aunt Mary Gee and it is a very nice one. will give it her as a Christmas present. Am also making a lap board for Rachel Gee but have not finished it yet. Took Rachel home this evening. she has been helping the girls with their baking today and I

believe their cakes turned out satisfactory. We are having a good deal of fun among ourselves about the party before it comes off. Mark & I went to town after supper. Bought some tea & coffee. gave Nina Garrigues 5 dollars to buy a dress for Mother. Mark hauled 3 loads manure from J. Reeds.

Dec 24 Cloudy damp & drizzling rain most of the day. We were all busy getting ready for the party which passed off very pleasantly. I think all who take a part and nearly all came who were invited. The night was such a bad one. That nearly all came in carriages and I was kept quite busy for a while attending to the horses as Mark had gone to town. I finished the lap board for Ratie Gee and took over there before midnight. put it against the door so that it would fall in the room when the door was opened. after the rest had all gone to bed and that is about 3 oclock in the morning. I hang up the childrens (Howell & Lina) and stuff them full with the little presents we have got for them. Went to bed at 2 past 3.

Dec 25 And got up this Christmas morning at 7. Built the fires or rather added fresh fuel to them. weather considerable cooler this morning. Had the satisfaction of seeing the children delighted with their Christmas presents which they are pleased to think old Kriss Kringle brought. They each have a doll & more candy and numerous other little things pleasing to children. Bun is strutting around with a little dumb watch dragging after him a tin wagon with a sheep pitched to it. Dear little children. how little it takes to make them happy. Carrie Arter Gertie Wait stayed all night last night with Nora and (11 A.M.) have just gone home. Began snowing a little late and at bedtime is 3 or 4 inches deep. The foundation however is not very good for sleighing. I went to town awhile about noon but didn't stay long. got the Republican & Tribune came home and looked them over. read some aloud. We are all interested in a story in the Tribune. an English story called "Probation". Mr. Kirk took his bull which I have been keeping for a few weeks home. was well pleased with the way he looked and thought I had taken good care of him which I did.

Dec 26 Cloudy and cold. The mercury down to 4 below 0 in some locations but only 1 below at our house at 7 this morning. Took Sis & Howell up to Ninas in the forenoon. they stayed there the day & I brought them home before night. Mother got a Christmas box from Sister Fannie West Liberty, Iowa. it contained presents for Mother, Nina & Mabel. My wife & Little Howell, also a box from Uncle John Enlow & his daughter, Louisville Kentucky. this box contained a choice collection of tropical fruits such as bananas oranges, figs, Malaga grapes, several kinds of nuts etc all in fine condition. Frank took Johny Sheppard to New Garden this afternoon and at 6 P.M. has not returned. will have a cold ride of it. He got back about 7 P.M. having taken Shep all the way to New Garden. Played some seven up before going to bed.

Dec 27 Cold and windy in forenoon but moderated some before night. Went to town in morning & got some yarn for Sis who is Knitting a pair of Mittens. After coming home went over to Uncle Tims. took back their dishes etc which we borrowed for the party & also took them a share of Mothers Christmas fruit. brought back with me a large Dutch

cake and a couple of mince pies. Went to town in afternoon. Had a talk with E. F. Lease but did not arrive at any thing satisfactory. Mark bought some chop home from the Mill. Roads are terribly rough. Nora sat for a Photographer.

Dec 28 Warmer and thawed some. Didn't get further away than the barn. Worked some in the shop. made lids for some boxes and put hinges on them to keep feed in at the barn. Benny Hillman was up and got a gallon of cider for mince pies. Wrote two letters. one to John G. Enlow, Louisville, Ky. the other to George Hise West Liberty. Nora & Julia went to temperance meeting and are staying pretty late. have not returned at 2 past 9. Arth McMillan took dinner with us.

Dec 29 Cloudy & wet. drizzled rain nearly all day. Mark & I took a load of straw to Furman Gee and afterwards I worked at stanchions for cow stable. Went to town towards evening and got some bolts. Rec'd the Ohio Farmer & a copy of Vick's Floral guide & D. M. Ferry & Co's seed catalogue. Roads are very muddy.

Dec 30 Cloudy & damp. Put a couple of rings in our hogs nose with new ringer that I bought last night. Afterwards went to Joel Bonsalls house on Depot st and worked at a grate. Didn't get it done for I took the front to Buckeye to get fixed & they broke it. took them all afternoon to mend it. This is a Welman grate & I have never set one of them before, but think I can make a good job. Mark hauled another load of sawdust for Mrs. Trimble & cleaned broom straw balance of the day. freezing some tonight.

Dec 31 Cloudy & wet. finished the grate for Joel Bonsall & got a first rate job. came home at noon & worked some on cow stanchines. went to town about 3 oclock and stayed till dark. got a couple of West Liberty papers. Mark washed and oiled our buggy harness. Sis made a big lot of soap.

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Jan 1 Clear warm &bright all day. but clouded up andbegan to rain sometime after 8 P.M. cut Howells hair. worked some at standirons & repaired water pipe in barnyard. helped drive a steer down to McConners & got the money for him. 25 dolls. Went with Sis Howell & Mabel Garrigues over to Uncle Tims. got there just at 12 oclock and stayed till after 3. had a pleasant time. After coming home went to town. took some brown corn to F. Market & bought some butter of E. A. Lease. In evening Johny Sheppard very kindly gave me a ticket to the _____ Concert. he had bought it for Nora but she was too unwell to go having been out all afternoon making New Years calls. riding in the cab made her sick. This being Leap year the girls did the calling. Frank & Joe Thomas received at the fathers homes. all report a good time. The concert mentioned above went far ahead of anything of the kind I ever heard. Remengr's playing on the violin just lifted me right up. I had no idea these were such possibilities in a violin. Walked home through the rain & found Sis up yet reading the old standby. The New York Tribune. Long may it wave. Mabel stops all night with Fanny Hise. Frank & Will were both at the concert with their girls. Reddy will have a damp walk.

Jan 2 Rained all the forenoon and roads are very muddy. Mark took Aunt Margaret to Aunt Lib Waits where there was a ra__ _____ or something of the kind. I brought her home in evening. Mark at cow stable all day. got along very well. Mark hauled 20 bushels coal in afternoon. Will & Nora went to Aunt Libs in evening. Clear as a bell & a million stars are out.

Jan 3 Cloudy & warm. Worked at home till noon. Johny Sheppard helping me. Brought Mr. Kirks bull home again & will keep him a while longer. Went to town in afternoon. R. Jobes paid me $81.25 for rent and Lease & Co paid me $62.50. I paid off a note held by Dr. Rush as Ex. of C. L. Church note & interest amounted to 122.88 so much paid. also paid (by a bill I held against Add Carr)John Tescher the amount of a due bill he held which calledfor 2000 brick. Stayed up town till after 8 oclock. Quite warm and roads very muddy.

Jan 4 Cloudy & wet. rained most all day. I put in the entire day at the barn working at cow stanchions. got them done. and at 4 oclock have 3 of the cows & one steer in the stanchions. Think they will work first rate. Had no callers today. Aunt Margaret & Nora went to McMillans and at 1 P.M. Have not returned. Ernest McMillan came up with them & stayed till bedtime.

Jan 5 Cloudy with some rain in afternoon. Got a note & draft for $20.00 from J. M. Kirk. Hauled a small load of straw to his place. Helped Mark haul one load shingles from saw mill & he hauleda couple of loads afternoon. I went to town. deposited $100.00 in First National Bank. came home before dark & am milking. Went up town after Nora who did not get home from school at the appointed time. Found her at Aunt Lib Waits. She and Carrie Arter were then waiting for some of us to come after them.

Carrie stays all night. Very dark at bedtime though not raining.

Jan 6 Cloudy & wet. rained & drizzled off & on all day. Made a pair of steps for rear end of Lease's store & in afternoon put them up. brought Nora home with me. Mark hauled some shingles. too wet to do much.

Jan 7 Cloudy warm & damp. Went to Levi Straleys in the morning and repaired his furnace a little. After that went to town and put up a _____ and steps at rear end of Jobes store. Bought 75 pounds of oil___ of Sorners & Gee. gave 165 cents for it. Aunt Margaret went to town with me in afternoon and Nora came home with us. Roads very muddy. Mark hauled some more shingles from sawmill.

Jan 8 Cloudy & warm. Done more tinkering about home. Mended table in Kitchen & put a couple of panes of glass in windows of blacksmith shop. Mended a pitchfork etc. Went to town a while in afternoon. Mark finished hauling shingles and loaded 20 bushel coal.

Jan 9 Cloudy & a little colder but still warm for time of year. Took Sis & Howell up to Emma Wilsons in forenoon. Bought 1 bu. of clover seed of J. M. Brown. cost $5.25. also got 65 cts worth of sugar and squared accts with him. Afternoon made a door for cow stable. brought Sis & Howell home, or rather went up for them and Nora came out in the wagon & I stayed till after mail was changed. Got Ohio Farmer & West Liberty Enterprise. Strong wind from North at 9 P.M. Young folks are off to a dance in town.

Jan 10 Partially clear and cloudy. warm for time of year. Made a lid for meat tub and looked our pickled pork over and put pickle on it. Went up town in afternoon and stayed till dark. collected some little money. Settled with Dr. Sampsill and he owed & paid me six cents. Jo Brown paid Sis dollars rent. Got a letter from Uncle Geo Hise & answered it.

Jan 11 Clear warm & pleasant. Was up first this morning and a lovely morning it was. soft & balmy as spring. Made a latch for stable door & put a new hoop on wash tub. Then went with Aunt Margaret & Little Howell over to Uncle Tims where we stayed till after 3 oclock. Got home in good shape but the roads are very bad. A young man named Archibold was here this morning and wanted me to come tomorrow and do some brick work for him. I promised to go if the weather is favorable. Sis wrote a couple of letters one to Mrs. Flo Johnson & the other to Ellie Teeters. Added a little to Bert Teetors. Nina Garrigues & Mabel were out this afternoon a little. They ____ of Mabels. Mamie Dutton came with them.

Jan 12 Snowed all day. I was up early and got ready to go down to Archibolds to lay brick, but after it began to snow (about 7 oclock) I concluded not to go. Spent most of the day in town. renewed lease with R. Jobes for another year. wrote a short letter of G. W. Hise, W. Liberty. Mark hauled 20 bushels coal for Aunt Lib Wait and brought home from Vangoes mill 355 lbs of bran which cost 3.15. Freezing some tonight. Cloudy.

Jan 13 Clear and moderately cold. Worked around the shop till noon making a pair of doors for rear end of straw shed. After dinner Mark & I drove a beef cow to Nobby McConners and had him kill it for us. I stayed and helped him some (not much). Went to town a while towards evening.

Jan 14 Clear and moderately cold. Got our beef from McConnors and took one hind quarter to Philip Matthews and one hind quarter to Luther Adams. sold the hide to Joseph Koll for $5.77. it weighed 77 lbs. cut up our beef and salted a part of it. Went over to Add. Carrs to look at some work he wants done. went to town before coming home and bought Howell & Lena each a new slate & pencil. got the Republican & Commercial. Sis got a letter and picture of her youngest boy from Flo Johnson W. Liberty. I answered the letter.

Jan 15 Clear and warmer. Took 44 lbs of beef over to Uncle Tims. he will give us as much in return when he kills his beef. Went to town in afternoon. Sis went up with me. but we did not come home together, as I waited for the mail. Got a letter from Aaron Hise West Liberty. stopped at Dr Kuhns and got the address of Dr. Ks son in law. Rev. Nellis Weaver, Bogata, South America United States of Columbia. Aaron wants to write to him. Got the Tribune and read some aloud. Roads are very bad. several times started for coal today but after seeing the roads, turned back home.

Jan 16 Clear and warm. snow that fell on Monday is about all gone. Wrote a letter to Aaron Hise West Liberty, Iowa. Spent most of the day in town. Went to Buckeye works and tried to get a promise of some work in the spring but did not succeed. Mark assorted potatoes & apples in the cellar. Got a letter from Uncle Geo Hise about cousin Nina Garrigues 33 birthday. Mother gave her a new teapot for a birthday present & I gave her a new ____ half a dozen of them from _____.

Jan 17 Cloudy & warm with considerable rain in afternoon. Went to Leetonia on 12 oclock train and came back at 4:37. Went down to find out if I could something about brick at Louisville Stark Co. Ohio. The Buckeye men having told me that they were selling them at about 4 dols per M and that the Graffton Iron Co had been using some of them. I found out that the G. I Iron Co. had not had a real brick shipped to them for 4 years. Saw many old acquaintances in Leetonia. visited an hour or two at Port Campbells. intended to call in John Laughlin, but heard he was out of town. got home before 6 P.M. Bot Ohio Farmer.

Jan 18 Clear & warm for time of year. Sis & I took a walk to back part of the farm despite the mud & wet. after coming back I put a handle on a monkey wrench that Mark plowed up last summer. Little Howell & I took a walk down to Gibbons after dinner. Their daughter Emmeretta is quite low with consumption. Aunt Lib Wait & Aunt Mary Hise is here today, the former to dinner. Nora Julia & I went to Baptist church in evening. The sermon by Mr. Moore evinced much study and research, but to me who do not believe in the Divine inspiration of the Bible. There was nothing in it.

Jan 19 Clear and warm and spring like. Went down to Nichols farm after dinner to do some brick work but they were not ready and I came home again. Trimmed a couple of grapevines and went to town a little while before supper. Mark hauled 20 bu coal and a couple of loads of leaves from the woods to make a compost heap. Mr. Gibbons came up in evening. gave him some Blair apples for Emmeretta.

Jan 20 Cloudy warm & wet. rained nearly all day. Took Nora to school in the wagon & Sis & Howell went along. Bought Nora a new umbrella. got 2-1/2 yards of alpara at Beattys store for 1.00 and Fred Ma____ made the balance of the umbrella. Brought the rest of our _____ home 22 in all. Went after Nora in afternoon. bought some butter & coffee. Prof. Avery lectures in Concert Hall tonight on the Electric light. thought some of going, but it is such a bad night concluded not to. somewhat cooler at bedtime but still cloudy & drizzling a little. Mr. Kirk sent me a catalogue of his Shorthorn & Jersey cattle & Brkshire hogs.

Jan 21 Cloudy and warm for time of year. done odd jobs about home. made a walk to compost heap and another one across the road. The latter has been long and I am glad it is done. Went to town a while towards evening & stayed till after mail was changed. Nora got a letter from Sister Fannie W. Liberty. Mark hauled 20 bushels coal and has lots to say about the roads which are very bad.

Jan 22 Cloudy & wet. rained slowly a good part of the day. Went to town with Julia in forenoon. She wanted to have some of her teeth fixed but Dr. Sampsell was too busy to attend to it till next week. Took Firm Gee 17 lbs sausage in which he paid me 1.70. Worked in the shop a part of the afternoon making a horse to set barrel of carbon oil in. Went to town for evening mail but got nothing. Nora bought the Tribune and I read that till bedtime. Aunt Margaret spent afternoon at Gibbons.

Jan 23 Some little snow on the ground this morning & ground frozen a little. Mark & I cut saw logs and trimmed up some tree tops Went up town towards evening. Got the Ohio Furnace & a letter from Uncle Geo stating that he would not ship any corn at the price offered him. Nora & Frank went to Taffy party at R. T. Hampsons. A leap year party and the girls take the boys. Nora takes Mr. Esby Arter & Frank is accompanied by Bessie Rush. Some colder then for several days past.

Jan 24 Clear & pleasant. Mark & I got our saw logs in to the mill. 10 of them. none of them pretty large but our horses were able for them. hauled them on the store boat. After dinner we took 370 lbs scrap iron to the Buckeye. got $3.33 for it. Aunt Margaret Sis & the two children went up in the wagon with us. The former went to Lincon Sharps to meet Mrs. Sara Smith and a number of her friends. I called for her at 7 P.M. and found such pleasant company I stayed an hour or two. Aunt M. stayed all night at Uncle Jesses. Several horse buyers in town today. Had a mind to offer our bay mare for sale but after finding what they were offering for such horses, considered not to. Clear as a bell at 11 P.M. Gave Mark 10 dollar bill he bought a pair of boot of Jobes.

Jan 25 Clear & mild. Took our dried beef out of pickle and hung it up to dry. boiled & skimmed the pickle and put it back on meat. After dinner took a walk over to Kinnamans brick yard and examined his brick. he has got a soft burn. Walked out home with Aunt Margaret who was just getting home from Uncle Jesses where she had been all night. Julia & Lina spent the day in town. Alice McMillan took dinner with us.

Jan 26 Clear & pleasant. Mark & I hauled in a stack of hay from the field to the barn. it was put up in the summer of 78 but most of it is pretty good hay. had 4 small loads. was down at saw mill a while. am having some lumber sawed. Went to town before supper bought sugar & butter. got 2 West Liberty papers. Nina Garrigues & Carrie Keene were here in afternoon & took tea with the women folks. Nora stays in town all night attending a lecture on astronomy.

Jan 27 Cloudy & damp in forenoon but partially clear afternoon. spent the forenoon at the saw mill ___king with my lumber. Mark hauled most of it. took one load to town for the cellar under Jobes storeroom. Aunt Margaret rode up on the wagon and came home with Mark. I stayed till evening. had a talk with Aquilla Pidgeon about brick. Stephen Adams was out and I showed him some chopping I want him to do. He gave me 3 dollars on beef acct. Dr. E. Griselle lectures in Concert Hall tonight. _____ Two years in California.

Jan 28 Partially cloudy & clear at intervals. ran wire from the north. Rode Dolly to town and notified Mr. Lupton (The gate maker) that I was ready for him to make the gates. he promised to come soon. Mark hauled the balance of our lumber from the mill and took some corn & oats to Buckeye. also a couple of loads of clay to pottery for which he got 2 dollars. I spent the afternoon in town. figured on a little work for Dr Rush. sold 3000 brick to Lorin Fawcett. Mr. Gailey his wife & daughter Ophelia spent the evening with us. Had a very good time & would be glad to see them often. Clear as a bell at 10 P.M. Sold 400 brick to Geo Nichols.

Jan 29 Clear and colder. Mark & I started out to haul brick this morning but after taking Julias trunk to the station we concluded that the roads were too rough. Stopped at the Buckeye Mills and brought our chop home. Julia & Lina went to Alliance. do not know how long they will stay. Sis thinks best (& so do I) to let them stay for ____ if they can find a home to suit them better. but not wishing to throw them off altogether. Sis told Julia she would take her back if she could not find a place to suit her better. I spent most of the day in town. agreed to raise 2 acres tomatoes for J. B. McNabb at 20 cents per bushel. Called at Carnice Marks and saw Mr. Smith & talked to a him about some land he wants to buy. Bought some bolts for gaters3-1/2 in long. price $1.55 per 100. Made some inquiries about glass for hot beds. Bought myself a pair of boots for R. Jobes $4.50. Sent a copy of Salem Republican to Andrew Chaney, Hartford Iowa. Got the Tribune & read it.

Jan 30 Cloudy. some warmer than yesterday. Went with my tools to work in Jobes

cellar. He (Jobes) wanted a little matter of business attended to with Lewis Cook, so I volunteered to do it for him as he could not very well leave hisstore. Got out to Mr. Cooks (went horseback) before noon. took dinner with him & had a very pleasanttalk. was back to town about 3 oclock, having stopped at Geo Nusbaums a while. After doing the milking I went with an umbrella to meet Nora as it began to rain about 5 P.M. Bessie Rush came home with her and will stay all night. They made some taffy. Got the Ohio Farmer a good paper. Mark knocked about at home. chopped some ____.

Jan 31 Clear & cloudy at times. chilly wind all day. ground frozen more in fore part of the day. Worked most of the day in Jobes cellar putting up a partition. Bought 3 boxes of 8 x 10 glass for hot bed sash. for which I have 3.15 per box. Borrowed Gardening for profit by Peter Henderson of J. M. Bare read it some in evening. it is full of valuable information for a gardener. started to town after supper but after getting in the road and facing a cold wind from the north & having nothing in particular to go for, I turned back. Mark put in the day digging out foundation for walks to garden & out house & doing other chores. Arth McMillan was here a while in evening.

Feb 1 Last night was a very windy one and the day has been the coldest we have had for some time. Thermometer at 20 above 0 at sundown. A Mr. Smith who wants to buy some land was here today. I showed him what we have for sale and told him the price. After that I went over to Uncle Tims and stayed till after 4 P.M. found them as well as usual. Got home in time to do the milking before dark. Brought a bottle of new maple molasses which Ratie sent to Emmeretta. Arth McMillan was here to dinner. Nora went home with Alice and as I write has not returned. Bro Will has just gone down to come home with her. Read some in Henderson's Gardening for Profit.

Feb 2 Clear & cold. Went to Buckeye in morning and ground my axes. ordered Gardening for Profit of Ernest McMillan. Stephen Adams chopped wood all day & I went out in afternoon & chopped some & piled brush. Mark hauled a load of coal for Aunt Lib Wait & one for Mr. Kirk 20 bushels each. Will Frank & Nora went to Gibbons a while after supper. Cloudy & warm at bedtime.

Feb 3 Cloudy & cold with some snow during the day. Snowed considerable last night. Was up before 5 oclock this morning. helped Mr. Kirk take to the station the bull I have been keeping for him for sometime. He shipped him to Wheeling. Our white cow dropped a heifer calf this morning. Spent a good portion of the day in town. took dinner at Sister Nina. ordered 9 hot bed sash at Silver & Demings. they agreed to let me work for them to pay for the sash. In the evening Sis & I went to hear Mrs. Scott Siddons in Concert Hall. She enacted several scenes from Shakespeare & recited other poems & sketches. I think the entertainment was very good but Sis was not pleased with it. Walked home and found it pretty hard walking. Mark drove Sis up to town.

Feb 4 Moderately cold with some snow. overhauled our beef again & put it in another tub. blacksmithed some making irons for gates. Got the sleigh out & brushed it up & took Sis & Bun sleighriding to town. Nora came home with them & I walked. bought

some butter. Frank took horse & sleigh and went with C. Arter for a little ride.

Feb 5 Party clear & cloudy. cold in the morning but moderated latter part of the day. Went to Geo W. Entrikins sale. intended to buy an iron kettle but neither one offered for sale. suited me. bought a pair of old fashioned andirons for 25 cts. also a few pieces of tin ware. Sis & Howell went as far as Uncle Tims with me and stayed there till I came from the sale. Brought Rachel Gee to town with us an after bringing wife & baby home went back and took Rachel home. Got the Tribune & Republican & looked them over. Separated young calf from its Mother but it did not drink very well at 1st time. will probably do better next time. Mark hauled 30 bushels coal home & in afternoon manure from town.

Feb 6 Took Nora to school in the sleigh & got three shoes first on Dolly. Brought some raisen currents & coffee. Blacksmithed some. David Lupten came out & put together 3 gates. found it pretty cold work & went home before night. Mark hauled a load of coal & one of slack. Little Howell pulled the plug out of the churn & spilled the buttermilk all over the floor.

Feb 7 Mark & I started out this morning to haul brick but after hauling one load we concluded it was too stormy to continue. Rained and blew hard for a little while. cleared off after noon. Nelson Gunder came from Patmus with 4 teams after brick we loaded them. 2100 in all. Went up town afterwards and talked some with Mr. Arter who is a member of the school board. our subject was the contemplated new school house the brickwork of which I am after. Went to town again after supper but might as well or better have stayed at home for all the good I done. Mark hauled 30 bu coal in afternoon. Clear and cold at bedtime. bought $3.27 worth of vinegar.

Feb 8 Clear & moderately cold. was up early. Had waffles for breakfast. Sis had never made any before & vows she never will again. She & Nora stood over the cookstove & baked waffles for an hour before the boys (& myself included) cried enough. Went down to Levi Strahleys after breakfast returned a plane I borrowed of him some time ago. My niece Mabel Garrigues was here most of the day also in afternoon Aunt Mary Hise & Rachel & Georgie Gee. Esky Arter came out with Frank and stayed a while. John Pickett was buried this afternoon. I am told he was a victim of bad whiskey & other dissipations. Mother not so well & has not been down stairs today.

Feb 9 Clear & cold. thawed some in middle of the day. Mended the harness & did some blacksmithing. Went with Aunt Margaret over to Uncle Timothy after dinner & brought Aunt Mary Gee with us. Went to town awhile before supper. did some singing in the evening & went over a number of old songs I had not thought of for years. The Ladies of Presbyterian church are having a Loan Exhibition in Town Hall . Monroe Vickers came and got an old musket which our Great Grandfather carried in the Revolutionary War. he was a soldier under Washington.

Feb 10 Clear & warmer then for some days previous. Blacksmithed some & took some irons for sash to Silver & Demings. Took an old book & a paper to Loan Exhibitors. also lent them our ____ hill crani (stuffed). hauled some brick in afternoon to Lorin Fawcetts on High St. Had a talk with Milton Davis about some brick work. Mark hauled manure & coal. Uncle Timothy brought us some beef in return for some we let them have some time ago. Sis is 37 years old today. May she see 37 more.

Feb 11 Cloudy warm & pleasant. hauled 800 brick to L. Fawcett. Spent the afternoon in town. Mark hauled manure & coal.

Feb 12 Cloudy & warm. almost like spring. spent most of the forenoon in town. went with Sam Patterson & looked over the places for new school house. not very satisfactorily to me & I must see them again. in afternoon took Aunt Mary Gee home & stayed there an hour or so. at night Sis & I went to a party at Will Bonsalls & had a very pleasant time. began to rain some time after we got there & at midnight (we have just got home & the horse put away) it is still raining. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal 30 bu each to Dr. Sampsell. The largest casting ever made in Salem was poured at the Buckeye Works to day a bed plate for an engine. did not hear the weight. Mrs. Christina Past died at 5 P.M.

Feb 13 Cloudy warm & wet. Took Jas. Kirks cow over to Add Carrs bull. rode over in the wagon with Mark. went up town and got some more bolts for gates and I guess friend Lupton has them all made. in afternoon went over to Eli Fawcetts. found him sick in bed. brought a turkey here of him for which I am to pay 90 cents or 10 cnt per lb. was up town a while. no business of any account being done. rained a greater part of the afternoon and at bedtime is still raining. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal. 1 home & the other to Stephen Adams.

Feb 14 Some colder this morning & the ground covered with snow. After doing the milking & etc and hanging a part of our smoked meat up in the shop I went a 10 oclock to Mrs. Posts funeral which took place from the residence of her son in law Wm Kirtlan. Notwithstanding the bad condition of the roads a large number of friends of the family were at the funeral. Mrs. Post was a noble woman. I did not go to the cemetery and got home before noon. Went up town after dinner. collected some money etc. Went again after supper and stayed till 9 oclock. Bought some muslin to cover the balance of our meat. also bot some oatmeal crackers for Mother. Julia & Lena came from Alliance on ___ train. Mark cleaned the hen house & put the cleanings in barrels. brought our grist home from Buckeye Mill. took Aunt M to town. Nora & the Boys are at the Loan Exhibition tonight.

Feb 15 Cloudy & warm enough to partially melt the snow that fell last night. Walked out to the woods and after coming back tied up and hung up the balance of our hams. Ham Howell brought his out to have it smoked. Read Peter Henderson some & sent or wrote an order to Jos Vick for seeds. Was out off the farm all day. Aunt Margaret & Julia were to Gibbons & report Emmaretta as feeling better. Freezing some tonight.

Feb 16 Clear & warm. was in town a part of the day. Sis & Howell went in the wagon to town in afternoon. Brought our hot bed sash from Silver & Demings. also 3 boxes of glass from Bolger & French which I bought some time ago. got two shoes on Betty & 3 on Charley. Sent order for seeds to Jos Vick.

Feb 17 Clear warm & mild wind from the south. Mark started the plow & plowed till noon. after dinner we took 400 brick to Silver & Demings. Brought some old plank home from Norman Garrigues. am going to use them for a hot bed. hauled a load of leave for compost heap. Went to town after supper. bought 2 lbs of butter. 24 cts per lb. got my saws which Vick Bears filed. Troupe playing Uncle Toms Cabin in Concert Hall.

Feb 18 Warm & mild in the morning. began to rain about 9 A.M. Turned to snow in afternoon and at night is considerably cooler and no rain or snow. Worked at Silver & Demings building a Brass furnace. Got and read Republican & Commercial. The young folks went to Gaileys in the evening.

Feb 19 Cloudy & cold with occasional gusts of snow. Worked at Silver & D. till afternoon. Went up town a while after supper. Borrowed Roughing it by "Mark Twain" of my sister N. Garrigues & lent her Helens Babies. Got the Tribune & read part of it. Roads very rough.

Feb 20 Clear & cold. gave the hot bed sash a coat of paint & blacksmithed a little. Went with Nora to the Loan Exhibition in Town Hall & afterwards to Concert Hall & witnessed the Living game of Chess. All passed off pleasantly. N. B. Garrigues & Richard Pow were the players. R. T. Trimble & Laura Ambler were King & Queen of the blacks & Walter Deming & Carrie Hampson of the whites. Sis & Howell spent the afternoon at McMillans. Mark hauled rails in forenoon & afternoon 20 bushels of coal for Samuel Gibbons.

Feb 21 Ground covered with snow this morning which melted some in after part of the day. Took Black Charley to town and got one of his front shoes removed. blacksmithed some. went to town in afternoon. Got a contract for putting brick & stonework up new shops for Buckeye Engine Co. Geo. Nusbaum will do the stone work & he & I will do the brick work in partnership. I furnish about 80 or 100 thousand brick. Got a letter from Ellen & Willie Teeters with which we are much pleased. Mark went on 10 A.M. train to his Nephews Dennis Lyons.

Feb 22 Clear & pleasant winter weather. was up tolerably early & as Mark is away done the chores. Arth McMillan took dinner with us & Arnie Hellman Lodge took dinner with Aunt Margaret & Nora. Will & Nora went to Uncle Tims after dinner & came back before dark. I went down to Gibbons a little while & came back through the woods. Sis not really well tonight. Went up to Mr. Kirks awhile in evening.

Feb 23 After doing the chores went to town a while before noon. Mark came home at

noon and plowed sod in afternoon. I took Dolly & one horse wagon and hauled rails and at night am tired. Went to town a while after supper. Sis still quite unwell.

Feb 24 Pretty clear & cloudy. warm in latter part of day. Set a grate for Mrs. Galbreaths. corner of High & Rose streets. Took out one of Geo Lucas patent heaters which Mrs. G. declared a nuisance. Put in a common grate & she was well pleased. Bought all the brick belonging to Aquilla Pidgeon some where near 175000 I suppose. We signed an Article and left it with Ernest McMillan. I paid him $136.50 cash and gave me a receipt for $310.00 he having owed me 173.50. Mark hauled a load 300 brick to Lorin Fawcett. finished hauling the rails & hauled some manure from J. M. Woodruffs. Ratie Gee was here a while this afternoon. Sis is a good deal better. Should not be surprised to see it raining in the morning.

Feb 25 Cloudy & warm & in evening wet. Have not felt well today having a cold. Hauled some manure out of the barn and put it in the garden preparatory to making hot bed. Little Howell was with me most of the time and thought he was having a glorious time riding on the wagon. After dinner I went to town & out to Geo Nusbaums. He was not at home but I saw him afterwards in town. Bought 2 lb of tea of Fawcetts Bros. Mark plowed sod till rain came on. Got the commercial & Clover Leaf the latter sent me by the Birdside Mfg. Co. South Bend Ind. Raining fast at 8 P.M.

Feb 26 Was in town awhile after noon but felt too unwell to do much. got the Tribune but after getting home did not feel like reading.

Feb 27 Went to town in the morning & got Edgar Pidgeon to come out and dig a hot bed pit for me. he also did some of the work that needed attention. Mark plowed sod. Have not felt well enough to anything myself. Am well satisfied that it is something more than a cold that ails me. nearly all of our family have it. cough a good deal and am feverish a good deal of the time. Frank left Silver & Deming & will go to the Buckeye on Monday next. Warm & mild.

Feb 28 Warm & mild with some rain. Ed & Mark hauled in a small stack of hay which had been out for more than 2 years. found it pretty good. In afternoon Mark took some corn & oats to mill & a couple of bed ticks to Mrs. Leach whose house was burned a week or two ago. I went to town in spring wagon. brought home plans for school house to be built in Salem this summer.

Feb 29 Clear and pleasant. I was not out of the house all day. Worked faithfully at plans for school house. making an estimate of number of brick it will take. I think a person would not be safe in counting it at less than 625 thousand. Geo Nusbaum was here several hours but did not do much at figuring. Sis helped me a great deal. am not feeling well tho better I think than last night. Mr. Gibbons came up in morning and he & I squared accts to date. on March 1st 1880 he now owes me $4.47. Charged $30.10 for cutting and husking about 6 acres of corn which is I think an outrageous price.

Mar 1 Clear & some cooler than yesterday. was wakened last night 2 oclock with a severe pain in left side of my head which continued till about daylight. hurt me awfully. Stayed in bed till after one oclock and now that I awake feel pretty miserable. Sent school house plans back to town by Nora. Mark is plowing sod and Sis is working away in the garden making a hotbed. Ed Pidgeon for some reason has not made his appearance today & Sis who is never afraid to take hold is making the hot bed. got it all done and the sash on. Frank started to work at the Buckeye works and thinks he got along very well in working in the core room.

Mar 2 Clear and moderately warm. am still feeling weak and have a heavy dull pain in top of my head. have been in the house all day except one or two walks about the yard. Wrote a couple of notes. one to Sam Patterson & one to Alex Robinson & sent them to Post Office with Nora. Mark plowed sod all day. John Hunt came out and wanted some wood. said he was entirely out and the roads too bad to pave. Let him have what he wanted, 3 cord.

Mar 3 Cloudy & wet in afternoon. Aunt Margaret went to town with Mark in the wagon and spent the day at Emma Wilson's. Mark hauled a couple of loads of clay to Purdy & Baird. in afternoon he took Sis to town and she got some medicine from Dr. Rush for Howell & myself. Howell has a touch of ague. Alex Robinson and Herbert McCracken were here a while in afternoon talking about the new school house. Isaac Crumrine was also here & wanted to look at some deeds of property in Penn. St & when I went to look for them I could not find them. I remember of taking them from the box some time ago and looking them over, but cannot now remember where I put them. Will probably run across them. As they are recorded they will not be much of a loss to us if we do not find them. At night we are having heavy crashes of rain with loud peals of thunder. Wrote a letter to Kellie Teeters West Liberty Iowa.

Mar 4 Partly clear & cloudy and warm. Have felt better today and hope I will continue to improve. Sis & I sowed cabbage and tomato seeds in hot bed. Mark hauled 4 loads clay to Purdy & Baird. Nora brought home 2 or 3 papers and we had a pleasant evening reading.

Mar 5 Had a terrible heavy rain last night. accompanied by thunder and lightening. the lightening struck our barn as we found out this morning but did but little damage except tearing off a few boards in extreme top of west gable. Today was clear warm and quite windy. Herbert McCracken came in the morning and I gave him my proposition for brick work of school house. Sam Patterson also came out and I went to town with him. We were there when the bids were opened. Geo. Lucas was awarded the contract for the brickwork, or will be I suppose if he can find anyone foolish enough to go his security for nearly 4000 dollars. His bill on brickwork was $5695.00 which is $650.00 lower than mine and mine was low enough. Geo Lucas is a curse to the mechanics of Salem. is neither willing to live nor let live. has never made a dollar by his work & serves only to keep men out who could make something over it not for his worse than foolishness.

Alonzo Patterson paid me two dollars which I let him have at Washington Iowa in the summer of 78. He came to me out of money and work. I couldn't give him the latter but gave him 2 of the 3 dollars I had in my pocket. sent him to Iowa City where he got a job for the balance of the season. Jim Gibbons trimmed apple trees for me today. Mark plowed sod.

Mar 6 Clear and moderately warm. Went up town horseback in forenoon. bought some sugar & coffee. After dinner went over to Uncle Tims and stayed an hour or so. found them as well as usual. went from there to town where I stayed till nearly dark. Wrote a short letter to Aaron Hise, West Liberty, Iowa. Paid Stephen Adams 2 dollars for chopping. owe him sent. Mark finished plowing the field he has been at for some time. Have felt considerably better today, tho my head hurts good deal.

Mar 7 Morning opened cloudy and about 8 oclock began to snow watered the hot bed a little. Had a lot of company and a jolly time today. George & Kate Ruggy, Scott & Emma Wilson, Howard & Lou Gribbons, Mrs. Rose Yager & Josephine Walker. These women are all daughters of James W. & Ann Walker who were Anti Slavery friends of our folks years ago. Misses Annie & Sade Smith came with them. The latter live in Ashtabula Co. Ohio and that was the former home of the Walkers. John Sheppard & Ernest McMillan called in afternoon. Homer Silver was out and wanted me to go to Silver & Demings shop & do some brick work, but I didn't feel well enough. Have felt much better though all day. I must not forget to mention that Carie Arter was also here today and very glad we all were to have her. She is a good singer of a lively disposition and is withal a bright & interesting girl.

Mar 8 Froze pretty hard last night but Mark started the plow in another field where we intend to sow oats. Wrote a letter to Sister Fannie W. Liberty. Spent most of the day in town but think I would have done better by at home. head hurt me a good deal. Isaac Crumrine came out and looked over some deeds and I allowed him to carry them home with him to get a copy (as he said). Read aloud some in "Roughing it" The story of Jim Blaines Grandfathers old ram is very funny.

Mar 9 Clear and pleasant after about 9 oclock in the morning. Aunt Margaret & I went over to Uncle Tims about 11 and stayed a few hours. Afterwards went to town and to Kennett & Amblers office where Aunt Margaret signed a paper relinquishing all her claims to any part of Joseph Goulbourns Estate. The paper will be sent to Iowa for the signatures of Rachel Hise & Elizabeth Sheets sisters of Aunt M. I was beset by a number of women who wanted to rent our house on Foundry hill. They were too late. I paid Aquilla Pidgeon 2 dollars and took his receipt for it. After coming home I walked over to where Mark was plowing and from there to the woods where Stephen Adams is chopping. Raymond H. White young grandson of Simon & Lydia Sharp was buried today. He died of scarlet fever at New Brighton. Arth McMillan took their meat home, we smoked it for them.

Mar 10 Cloudy raw & chilly. wind from the North. Have had a terrible pain in my head

all day. After dinner I walked up to Dr. Rushs and got some medicine. At bed time my head is better. Also got some medicine for Howell & Lena. Rush gave it me as a prevention I suppose of scarlet fever. as he told me that little Rex Ruggy has the fever and he was out here last Sunday. When I got home from town found Annie Leeds & Hannah Sharpnack here. they staid and took tea with us. Mark plowed sod. Sis walked to town and back this forenoon. John Negus & a Mr. Hartley called few minutes.

Mar 11 This morning the ground was covered with snow to the depth of an inch or so. it snowed till about 7 A.M. & a little later. cleared off towards noon and was rather pleasant over head, but too much snow and was too bad to do anything with our horses. Mark done chores around house & barn and chopped wood. It is now two weeks that I have not felt well enough to do anything and staying in the house is growing very tiresome to me. My head has not pained me any today as yet but I am weak and don't feel like taking hold. Hope to be better soon. Sis is painting some hot bed sash this afternoon and I am here in the house scribbling this & reading "Roughing it".

Mar 12 Cloudy and cold. Mark dug out pit for another hot bed. I helped a little. having felt better today. began to snow about 3 P.M. & we had to quit. Nora brought more papers. Young folks all go to a dance tonight. The boys are off long ago. Nora & Mary Cattell are here yet waiting for their escort Harry Rank & I suppose he will be along pretty soon. Mrs. Goucher was here this afternoon. Sis went to town to see Dr. Grisell for Mother who is feeling worse but failed to find the Dr.

Mar 13 Cloudy and dull. Worked a little at the hot bed and Mark hauled a couple of loads of manure for the ____. Went up town in afternoon. sold 10 dozen eggs at American Hotel. got 12 cents per dozen. got my watch from Kesselmines where it has been repaired. cost $1.25. J. K. Rukenbrod made me present of a book "Danger" by T. L. Arthur. ordered an advertisement in Republican of 2 rooms to rent in Trinity Block. Got Ohio Farmer.

Mar 14 Cloudy & dull. Stayed at home all day. head hurt me some. Wrote a letter to Aunt Phebe Hencilwood, W. Liberty, Iowa. Sarah McMillan and Ernest were here to dinner. Aunt Margaret & Julia were down to Gibbons awhile. Emoretta is very low.

Mar 15 Cloudy and warmer than for some days. Have felt better today and worked some at hot bed. Mark helped me. Went to town about 4 P.M. Bought some butter and some putty for hot bed sash.

Mar 16 Ground covered with snow this morning & all day was cloudy raw and chilly. snowed a little and rained a little. Put the glass in 4 of our sash. Sis helped me. After dinner Mark and went to Benny Hillmans sale, but bought nothing. After coming home we put manure in hot bed and put sash on. Arth McMillan came up after supper and stayed till bed time.

Mar 17 Clear and cold. Too rough to do any hauling or other work with team. Mark

and I caught 8 chickens and took them to Mr. Paliner a nephew of ours. got $2.25 for them. I spent most of the day in town. Called at Mrs. Galbreaths she having sent for me to look at her grate which I set some time ago. Think she is fussy, but will try it again. Went out to the Boone & Campbell Farm to look at sand bank but found nobody at home. D. A. Yingling lives there. Brought my gun home from Dr. Yinglings . lent it to Dave last summer. Wrote a letter to Alfred Sheets in anover to one Aunt Margaret got from him today. Subscribed for "Wm Lloyd Garrison & his times" a book by Oliver Johnson. Geo. D. Hunt Agent. Something is happening to some of the stars tonight. eclipse of something like it) but I am ignorant enough not to know what it is. Nora is staying all night with Bessie Rush to witness it John Dellenbaugh had a sale at Georgetown. Bought a new trowel of Kirk Allen & Thomas.

Mar 18 Cloudy and warmer. Mark and I went to the woods and got a load of good earth for hot bed. also a load of leaves for compost. After dinner took a little hay and some straw to L. E. Arters. Brought home 6 barrels of lime which I bought from Milt Smith had it put on oats field. Got the Tribune and read some aloud.

Mar 19 Cloudy with a little rain in afternoon. Hauled 400 brick for A. R. Silver to waterworks. took front wheel off our spring wagon and got Sam Elton to put a new spoke in it. Trimmed huge grape vine in the lane. sowed some tomato seeds in large hot bed. blacksmithed a little. Mark hauled 25 bu. coal for Phil Matthews in afternoon. hauled it from Zimmermans banks. considerably colder in evening.

Mar 20 Cloudy & windy & cool. Went to town right after breakfast and got some screw eyes. put them on hot bed sash and made a couple of handles to lift them by. sowed balance of tomato seed. Cleaned up the cellar. scrubbed out meat barrels etc. Went to town in afternoon. bought a white wash brush at Leases for 50 cts. Mark chopped wood & did other chores. Frank and Nora went to a party at Dr. Rush's. Will had a tooth filled this afternoon.

Mar 21 Clear and tolerably pleasant. took a walk to the woods. Afterwards Sis & Howell & Nora & I went over to Uncle Tims. had a pleasant time . got home by 4 P.M. found Aunt Mary Hise here. Walked home with her and hired Allan Hise to work for us.

Mar 22 Clear & Pleasant. Mark Allan & I worked at hauling logs & piling brush clearing up some pasture land. I left them at noon and went to town a while. sold some brick. An old hen got in the hot bed and played the mischief. had to sow more than half of it over. Roads dried a good deal but are still bad.

Mar 23 Clear cool & windy. Allan & I went over to M. L. Youngs this morning early and got a horse. Mark offered to let me have him a month for his keep. Hauled brick with him & Dolly and got along pretty well. he is quite lame & 15 years old but we do not drive him off a walk and as far I am well pleased. Bought 2 barrels of ___ plaster of J. M. Brown & Co & brought it home this evening. cost at the rate of 11 dols per ton. Mark plowed sod. Will & Nora & Frank have gone to Harriet Arners to supper. I got some

medicine from Dr Rush. head hurt me a good deal today. I think I have catarrp. Very windy tonight and pretty cold.

Mar 24 Clear & cold. high wind from northwest all day. Spent most of the day in town. collected some money & Jobes & Leases both paid me their quarters rent. Paid Jackson Cotton $160.00 interest. Aunt Ura & Uncle Sam Sharpnack got back from Iowa where they have been visiting some months. Saw Uncle Sam but have not yet seen Aunt Ura. Too cold to haul brick or plow. Mark and Allan dug post holes & set some posts. got coulter for plow repaired & 2 hind shoes put on Dolly. covered the hot beds for fear they freeze.

Mar 25 Clear & cool. Allan & I started to haul brick but broke an axle before we got to brickyard. Took it to Samuel Elton and he made a new axle. intended to haul in afternoon but had such a pain in my head I couldn't do anything. it was fearfully painful for a while. Sis went to Dr Rush for some relief for me and came back with some medicine. before that though it head began to get better. I suppose it is catarrk. feels better tonight. Aunt Ura was here this afternoon & told us all about Iowa folks. Mark hauled manure all day & Allendid chores about house. Sis & Nora went to town this evening.

Mar 26 Cloudy with a little rain in afternoon. Allan & I hauled brick all day. Mark hauled manure & stone. Aunt Margaret spent the day (& tonight too) at Harriet Arners. Thomas Tullis a farmer living near Salem attempted suicide by cutting his throat. he was living at last accounts but hardly likely to recover. A selfish act for by thus ridding himself of trouble he brought 10 times more upon his family. Frank quit the Buckeye. Sow has 8 pigs.

Mar 27 Cloudy & wet. rained nearly all day. repaired our land roller and did some other odd jobs. we three men went to brickyard & put up a prop under shed took off some slatting. Mark brought Aunt Margaret home from Harriet Arners and in afternoon he took Julia & Lena to Elijah Whinerys. got back in time to take a grist to mill and a barrel of vinigar to Ed Lease which I sold for 8 cent per gal. pretty cheap for No 1 cider vinegar. I went to town in afternoon. bought some groceries etc. Mark Young took his horse home this evening. His wife wants to drive him tomorrow. he promised to bring him back Monday morning. raining at 8 P.M. and thundering some.

Mar 28 Cloudy and colder. rained some and snowed some. Went down to Gibbons a while in forenoon. their daughter is very low. Ella Hudlemyer visited us and stayed till evening. Julia being away I did the milking. Wrote a deed for a little piece of property we think of selling to James Davis. covered the hot bed with blankets etc as I fear it will freeze tonight.

Mar 29 Cloudy & pretty cold. hauled brick all day. Allan got sick the first load and I got Henry Lacy in his place. Took papers that I wrote yesterday up to Lucien Golbert but he had not time to examine them. coming home I got some wood at the brickyard and

took it to an old colored man on East broadway. he was much pleased with the present. Browns moved out of house on Foundry Hill and Hudsens moved in. Sis was up town in afternoon. got some presents for Mother and Howell. sent from West Liberty by Sister Fannie. Got a short letter from Aaron Hise W. Liberty. Mark hauled 4 loads of stone to Mrs. Donaldsons. Frank went to work again at Silver & Demings. Julia & Lena got back from Whinerys.

Mar 30 Clear and pleasant. ground frozen hard in morning which made it hard hauling for first load of brick. Hauled brick with 2 teams. Bought some sugar & molasses & Nora is going to a dance in evening.

Mar 31 Clear & warm after 9 A.M. ground frozen hard in morning. All hands hauled brick. Brought home 450 old tin cans. Got 710 eggs in March.

Apr 1 Cloudy and threatening rain in morning but didn't rain much. Went to town early in the morning. Aunt Margaret Sis and Nora soon followed me in the carriage. We all went to Lucien Gilberts off and signed a deed for a little piece of land on the old Beeson farm which we sold to James Davis. This lot was bought by D. H. Hise some years ago for a burial lot but after keeping it a while and making an examination of the ground he concluded it was not a suitable place for the purpose. Went with Nora to Dr. Sampsills office where she had 5 teeth extracted. She took ether and (to her) the operation was painless. Attended to some little matters that needed looking after and was home by noon. Allan & I hauled brick in afternoon. Mark hauled stone & sand to Lewis Dobbins and brough 3 bu of buckwheat from Robert Tolertons. paid 75 cents per bu. Brought flour home from Buckeye Mills. Let a hen on turkey eggs in straw shed.

Apr 2 Cloudy with some rain in forenoon. Worked some in the shop while Mark & Allan moved some straw in the barn. stoped raining about 9 A.M. and we hitched up our teams. Mark hauled a load of stone to Lew Dobbins and afterwards we hauled brick to Buckeye & one load to Ben Wright. Got 2 hind shoes put on "Jerry" Mark Youngs horse. Got Thomas Mellen to fix drain in Leases cellar. Mrs. Jobes paid me 9 dol rent. Sis & went to Gibbons a while in evening. cloudy and windy at bed time.

Apr 3 Cloudy and wet. rained nearly all day. hitched up our horses & went to Brickyard but couldn't haul any on account of rain. Took down some casing & came home before 10 oclock. Made a fire in shop and boys (Allan & Myers Wait) & I melted solder from old tin cup. Went to town in afternoon. voted at primary election. borough & township. J. G. Bissell paid me $91.05 amount of a note I held against Trustees of Methodist Church. I paid Aquilla B. Pidgeon $100.00 for brick. also paid Ed Pidgeon what I owed him & also Thos Maken for fixing drain in Leases cellar. Jacob Lee paid me six dollars and fifty cents house rent. Have a fresh cow: Cherry. I forgot to mention that Mark & I got up early and sowed clover seed on 2-1/4 acres for John Wetmore for which he paid us 50 cents. Paid Stephen Adams 5 dols for chopping wood.

Apr 4 Took a walk to the woods after breakfast. Afterwards Aunt Margaret & I went

over to Uncle Tims and stayed till 4 P.M. found them all tolerably well. had a heavy rain in afternoon. Aunt Lib & Ezra Wait came after we went away and staid the day. Emmoretta Gibbons died about 11 this morning & Sis was called down there. Emmoretta's disease was consumption & she was sick a long time. Gertie & Myron Wait are here tonight. Took the young calf away from cow & milked the cow.

Apr 5 Clear and warm. Hauled brick all day with both teams. Voted at County primary & Burrough election. I think there were 5 polling places for the different elections. Roads are quite muddy but dried a good deal today.

Apr 6 Partially Clear & cloudy. windy and colder. Mark & I sowed the clover seed on our wheat. put nearly 1 bushel on 7 acres. pulled the balance of old tomato vines and burned them. We all attended Emmoretta Gibbons funeral at 11 oclock. I went to the cemetery but none of the rest of our family did. Sis stayed at the house and did not get home until 5 P.M. In afternoon Mark harrowed some oats ground. Mr. Gross (a neighbor) and I went to King Wilsons farm 4 miles north of Salem to look at a young bull. had I liked him I intended to bring him home with me. but I didn't like him. Went to town a while after supper. Allan picked stone most all day. Set a hen on 11 turkey eggs. Daniel Bolton died.

Apr 7 Cloudy and cold. Mark sowed oats and clover seed and Allen harrowed it in. I hauled brick till 3 P.M. & then came home and rolled the oats Mark had sowed. got it all done nicely but it was a cold job. wore my overcoat & gloves. bought a young calf from Ed. Pidgeon. am to give him one dollars worth of hay. Got a letter from Jos. Kirk wants me to keep the young bull a month. same one I went & look at yesterday. Maybe I will do it but if I do will be because I cant do better. covered the hot beds for it will freeze tonight.

Apr 8 Pretty cold. Allan & I hauled brick & Mark plowed oats ground. took our harrow to town and got it mended. brought it home in evening. Read the Tribune.

Apr 9 Clear & cool. Hauled brick all day. Mark plowed and in afternoon sowed oats and Allan harrowed it in. D. W. Wells Atent for Ohio Farmers Insurance Co called and took dinner with us. Paid me $3.25 damage done by lightening to the barn. Sis went to town in afternoon. Pidgeons boys cut the fine old elm trees on E. broadway.

Apr 10 Clear and very windy. Hauled brick all day to diffeent places. So much dust flying made it hard hauling brick. Mark finishedplowing oats ground, but it was too windy to sow. Went to town a while after supper. sold a few brick. Sis was up town a while this morning & Julia went this afternoon. Wind changed into the north before sundown & at bedtime is pretty cold. covered the hot bed.

Apr 11 Cloudy cold and stormy. snowed at short intervals nearly all day. Mended a bedstead. repaired wagon seat & did one or two other little jobs in forenoon. Nora and Gertie Wait intend to go to Aunt Uras but turns too stormy. In the way of callers we had

Levi Straley & Samuel Gibons. each of whom stayed & chatted awhile. Howell took a long nap today. (something unusual for him) and is consequently wide awake in the evening.

Apr 12 Clear cool & pretty windy. Went to town in morning. fixed chimney for John Delenbaug & sold him 11 dozen eggs. Went to reset a grate on High street for Mrs. Galbreath but found her sick in bed. consequently done nothing there came home & blacksmithed till noon. Mark & Allan hauled in a stack of hay & took 900 lbs of it to Gill Ernest. After dinner we all worked getting in balance of our oats. Mark sowed Allan harrowed & I rolled it. got done nicely before 6 oclock. Went to town a while after supper. Bought of E. A. Lease & Co. a large pickled salmon. took the scales off him & put him to soak.

Apr 13 Clear and windy warmer. David Lupton hung some gates. 11 in all & when we get the hooks and staples on them th farm will be pretty well fixed for gates. I helped some with the gates. blacksmithed some & loaded a couple of loads of brick for customers. Went to the Buckeye in afternoon to see how stone masons are getting along. will not be ready for brickwork for some days. Mark put in acre of oats for Firman Gee. Wrote a letter to Uncle Geo. Hise W. Liberty Iowa.

Apr 14 Clear & windy. Mended the harness & Allan & I went to town and got some brick & lime & topped out our kitchen chimney a job I have been almost dreading for the last 2 months. the roofs are so very steep and we had a hard job of it but got done before night. done a little repairing to the bake oven & want to do some more tomorrow. ____ Yengling was here this morning look for sitting hens but we have none at present. Allan found one of our turkey hens today with a nest full of eggs. guess we shall let her go it. Aunt Margaret spent the day in town. rode up with Mark this morning & Nora brought her home with Dolly & the buggy this evening. I got a letter from Sister Fannie. she thinks Aunt Libbie is no better which we are very sorry to hear. Sis has just finished a new “dolman” (I think it is) and it looks very well on her. Bun & Lena have had a very busy day. outdoors all the time. Mark hauled manure & got Charley shod in front.

Apr 15 Cloudy with a fine shower in forenoon. cleared off pleasant and we pursued our work. Mark plowed a small patch where we had tomatoes last year & we planted some raspberries plants, a part of which I got from Geo Nusbaum some time ago & the other at Uncle Tims today. Samuel Gibbons helped us and in afternoon Allan & I hauled some brick. Mark a load of coal as we were almost out. Bought a new share for our Oliver plow & put it on. set out 81 cabbage plants.

Apr 16 Cloudy. several showers during the day. Mark took Nora to school and got a hind shoe on Charley. Hauled a load of stone to town & in afternoon plowed for early potatoes. Allan & I put up a chimney for Joshua Boone. got done a little after 6 P.M. Went to town after supper. Bought some early rose potatotes for seed. also 1 quart onion setts & 3 lbs timothy seed.

Apr 17 Cloudy & cold in morning, but warmed up towards latter part of the day. Allan & I hauled brick all day. brought our one horse wagon home from Sam Eltons shop. Bought some seed potatoes of various kinds from J. M. Base. Went to town after supper & attended to various little matters. Paid Bill Bowman $1.75 for clearing out ditches on brick yards. Mark plowed sod & harrowed a portion of meadows where grass was missing & sowed timothy seed on it. also sowed some __aster on the same. Nora & Frank went to a dance at Scott Wilsons. Paid Allan 5 dols.

Apr 18 Clear warm and pleasant. Put hooks and staples on all but 2 of our gates. After dinner Sis Howell & I took some turkey eggs down to Gaileys. came home through the woods and fields. Little Bun trudging along and having a glorious good time. While I was away John Yengling came with some grape vines and strawberry plants which I engaged from him last evening. Arth McMillan was here to dinner & Aunt Mary Hise came out in afternoon. Young folks went to Aunt Uras back before dark.

Apr 19 Very windy & somewhat cloudy but no rain of account. Got Aquilla Pidgeon to haul brick in my place. stayed at home and made garden. planted onions beets & an ounce of celery seed. also set out 13 grape vines. Mark & Samuel Gibbons hauled out & spread hen manure & planted potatoes. some Early Ohio & balance Early Rose. Got a letter from Ellen & Lon Teeters. also card from E. W. Fawcett. the letter wanting some work done.

Apr 20 Clear and pleasant. hauled one load of brick in forenoon & then came home and worked some on hot bed frame & planted some strawberry plants. Bought 3250 brick from Pidgeons boys and hauled a part of them from Kinnemans Kiln in afternoon. Didn't need the brick but they were anxious to sell them & I bought them. partly to help them out. Sold a cart to Christ Kenneman or rather traded it to him for 3000 front brick which I am to have out of the first kiln he makes. he gave me a due bill to that effect. Mr. Gibbons did some gardening for us. I prefer to do it myself but am so busy at other things and not very well either. Went to Edward Fawcetts on Canfield street in response to a card rec'd from him yesterday. promised to put up an iron mantel & grate for him this week. Mark hauled manure in forenoon & plowed in afternoon.

Apr 21 Clear & warm. Hauled brick & am tired at night. Mark plowed sod. Sis glazed some hot bed sash.

Apr 22 Clear & warm. hauled brick till 4 P.M. and then came home & went to bed and stayed there until the morning. had quite a fever in evening.

Apr 23 Slept better last night than I expected to and got up this morning feeling some better. Went down to Lovern Webbs and bought 25 peach trees & Saml. Gibbons & I set them out. worked a little at hot bed & Mark hauled some good sand from the woods. Sis Aunt Margaret & Howell went to town a while. Howell got a new cap of which he is quite proud and which looks very well on him. Afternoon Mark hauled 3 loads of sand from David Yenglings to the Buckeye. Allan & Mr Gibbines repaired fences between us

& Thos Sharp. Went to town a few minutes toward evening. Got the Ohio Farmer. Had a fine rain in afternoon.

Apr 24 Raining steadily in the morning and kept it up till between 10 & 11 A.M. a splendid rain & will do lots of good. Worked in the shop a while making chicken coops. in afternoon Al & I hauled 900 brick to Ben Wright. Mark brought 30 bu coal for Philip Matthews. Bought a yellow Spanish cherry tree of J. M. Bare for 40 cts. brought it home and planted it. also sowed some lettuce seed. Looked over road repair work which Dr. Rush is contemplating and promised to do it at my earliest convenience. A stray pig wandered to our place today & I have just put him in the pen. A very nice one.

Apr 25 Cloudy and rained most of the forenoon. Cleared off afternoon & Sis & I went out to Sam Pattersons. took Little Howell with us. Went to hire him to help lay brickat buckeye but he will send his son Alonzo for a few days in his place as he is anxious to get his corn ground plowed. Wrote a letter to My Uncle John G. Enlow Louisville Ky.

Apr 26 Cloudy with occasional showers. Worked at the Buckeye getting work started on addition to Foundry. Laid some brick in afternoon. Sis and Allan transplanted tomato plants & Mark and Gibbons made fence. Cooler in evening.

Apr 27 Cloudy with occasional showers. Worked at the Buckeye. 3 Bricklayers besides myself. got along very well. Got Aquilla Pigeon to haul brick in my place. heard Allan hauled 4800 today. Mark hauled two loads sand, one to Dobbins and one to Buckeye. also a load of stone to Dobbins. he also hauled some manure out of barnyard for hot bed which Sis is making. they are very tired . I feel better tonight.

Apr 28 Clear & pleasant. myself together with other bricklayers from Buckeye worked at Lewis Dobbins under pinning his house. he having had it raised 2 feet. will take another day to finish. Mark hauled some brick & sand. Sis got along fine with her hot beds.

Apr 29 Worked till Dobbins till nearly noon when the rain forced us to quit. Didn't do any more there. went to Brickyard a while and up town & down to Baxters Foundry. they think some of building are addition to their works. Came home before six oclock and went out the lane a little ways. grass is growing. Mark hauled some Brick and sand. and Allan & Quilly hauled brick in forenoon. Read the Tribune.

Apr 30 Cloudy and old for time of year. snowed considerable in forenoon and was very disagreeable out of doors. in afternoon it got better but is still cold. Worked : of a day at Dobbins. Nusbaums didn't come today and Lon Patterson & I went it alone. Allan & Aquilla hauled brick & Mark worked on the farm repairing fences. ___t Young came this eve and got his horse that we have had for a month. was not quite through with him, but will get along without him. Mr. Gailey called and got some eggs for hatching. also left a blank for me to fill out. he is Assessor for S. Precinct Perry Twp.

May 1 Cloudy and pretty cool for spring. Finished at Lew Dobbins before noon. He paid me 25 Dols and will pay balance soon. Didn't do any work in afternoon but went to town and looked about some. Robert Hole paid me 25 dols on a note for $100.00 which I hold and which is due. Paid off all my hands except Ed Pidgeon. owe him $1.87. intended to go to see the Columbus Clock that is in exhibition in town but didn't get time. Those who have seen it pronounce it a wonderful curiosity. There will probably be a rainy day before it leaves town and that will be my chance to see it. Mark finished up some fence and in afternoon hauled a load of coal for home use. we were just about out. Got a letter from Mr. Kirk requesting me to ship a Jersey Heifer for him on Monday. Hardly know how to spare the time but as he is a neighbor & away from home will try and accommodate him. Went to town after supper but did not accomplish anything of account.

May 2 As usual on Sunday morning I was the first one out of bed. made some staples for gates and after breakfast went out and put them on. Our gates now have good fastenings. Turned our cattle out on pasture which is still very short but our hay is getting scarce. Howell & Lena went with me to the woods. in afternoon Uncle Timothy & Aunt Mary Gee with George (their adopted son) came over. we were glad to see them. Marietta Gibbons was also here. go to bed early.

May 3 Clear & warm. Worked at Buckeye Foundry. quite warm all day. Mark hauled 6 loads sand & Allan & Quilly hauled Brick. James Stanley came out in evening & I sold him some stone I have on brickyard. Sis transplanted tomato plants & all hands of us are tired. James Hudson paid his rent (7 dols).

May 4 Clear and warm. Worked all day at Buckeye. Geo Nusbaum hired Andy Balker in his place this afternoon and attended to some work at home. Mark plowed some garden in forenoon & finished plowing for buckwheat in afternoon. He hauled a load of coal for Stephen Adams. Mr. Gibbons helped Sis & Aunt Margaret plant more garden seeds.

May 5 Clear & warm. Worked at Buckeye. Mark & Allan both hauled brick. Went to town a while after supper. Rode up with Jim & Bill Hencilwood who were out. Having some bathtubs filled with straw.

May 6 Clear and warm. Worked at Buckeye. Are getting the walls of Foundry pretty well along. Robert Hole paid me 40 dollars on note. Wish he had paid it all. I consider him rather slow pay. I paid John N. Satterthwait 38.50 interest. 4 men were at the building today to leave me work for them. Promised 2 of them but that was the best I could do. Little Howell & I walked down to Gibbons after supper. I engaged him to help plant potatoes tomorrow. Mark hauled brick in forenoon & afternoon got some potato ground ready. Ground getting some dry. Fine growing weather.

May 7 Clear and warm. Finished Buckeye Foundry ready for roof timbers about 3 P.M. While clipping over an arch with a new trowel (a large one) there came a sudden puff of

wind and I cut the end of my thumb nearly off. Hurt some for a little while, but not long. Did some running around before coming home and at night am tired. Carrie Arter is here and she and the other young folks are singing. Mother is very poorly. Mark and Samuel Gibbons planted some potatoes today and got ground ready for sowing buckwheat. Planted several kinds of potatoes ½ bushels Dunmures seeding. 1 bu snowflake & ½ bushel each of snowflake seedling and Genesee ____ balance Victor. The latter we think a poor potato. I think I never saw so many apple blossoms & the orchards look lovely. We can see them from near our house a great many orchards and Sis & I went out into the road in purpose to have a look. Warm this evening.

May 8 Clear and hot. Topped out some old chimneys for Lew Dobbins. A very dirty job. His chimneys were in a bad condition and the wonder is his house has not been burned long ago. After coming home and cleaning up I went to town to collect some money. Was lucky enough to get $78.10 of Wm Hinchcliffe who still owes me $25.00 for which he gave me a due bill. Lewis Dobbins also paid me $25.00 and owes me something over 50.00 yet. After supper Sis & Howell Aunt M. Nora & I all went to town in spring wagon. The women folks made some purchases & I did more running around. Engaged a team of John Dellenbaugh to help us haul brick next week. Don't like to work Dolly too hard & our other horses will be busy getting ready to plant corn. Paid Quilly Pigeon for his weeks work & paid David Yingling what I owed him for sand. Am somewhat tired but will read the Tribune a little before going to bed.

May 9 Clear & warm. Stayed at home till after dinner when Sis Howell & I went over to Uncle Tims. & stayed till evening. had a pleasant ride. Alonzo Patterson (Bricklayer) who is working for me came out a while in morning to see about some work for tomorrow. James Hincilwood came soon after to look at some land he would like to buy. was evidently pleased with it & said he would bring his wifeout to look at it.

May 10 Ninety and not quite so warm as for several days previous. Topped out a chimney for Milton Davis and got done by noon. after dinner with Stephen Adams to help me build fence below the grove. had a rain towards evening accompanied by some wind. Mark harrowed corn ground. Allan & Quilly Pigeon hauled brick with Allenbaughsteam. Nelson Gunder of Patmos was down and got 1400 brick. wanted me to build his flues this week but I am too busy. got Sam Patterson in my place.

May 11 Clear & pleasant. had a fine rain last night. Worked all day at Dr. Rush's one of those confounded _____ a couple of old dirty chimneys. Sam Patterson helped me in afternoon. Mark hauled 3 loads sand. Allen & Quilly hauled brick. in afternoon Mark worked in cornfields getting ready to plant. Bought a new tin ____. paid of Geo Harris price $1.00.

May 12 Clear & pleasant. Worked at Rushs chimneys and got them done. am glad they are done. Took our tools to Buckeye where we expect to work tomorrow. Quilly & Allan hauled brick in forenoon & in afternoon planted some corn.

May 13 Clear and pleasant. Worked at Buckeye Foundry. Topping out chimneys etc. one Bricklayer besides myself working Nusbaum & am working on stonework of big shop. Quilly Pigeon came out and helped plant corn got one field nearly done. Read _____ in Tribune in evening. Sis is not very well. Quite cool in evening.

May 14 Had quite a frost last night and will more than likely have another tonight. finished brick work of Buckeye Foundry. Mark plowed down by the saw mill till noon & than had to send for him to haul brick to Charley Davis. Paid off hands at Buckeye.

May 15 Clear and pleasant. Repaired bridge at brickyard which gave way yesterday. Took most of the forenoon but made a good job of it. Hauled 300 brick with Dolly out to Isaac Wilsons on New Garden road in afternoon & finished the fence begun last Monday & repaired the one along the road. then went to town. Took supper with Nina & Norman Garrigues and got home before 9 oclock. Bought some _____ _____ and engaged a barrel of sugar of C. E. Davis. Mark plowed and Allan done odd jobs around the place.

May 16 Clear & warm & weather getting pretty dry. Took a walk over the farm before breakfast. done some tinkering made a trough to feed the pig. Aunt Mary Gee spent a portion of the day with us & Aunt Margaret & I went home with her in afternoon. first going to the cemetery. Wrote a letter to Lester Fry.

May 17 Clear & warm. Worked all day at Simon Saunniers building on Broadway. going to change the shape of roof. Laid no brick but are about ready to go at it in the morning. The men finished planting corn today. also planted some field beans. helped water the tomato plants in evening. Sis and Little Howell came to town for me in the buggy was glad to get a ride home. Amos Flick came out with a couple of bed ticks to fill with straw. straw is getting scarce. Lawson Harper got some seed corn.

May 18 Clear & arm. Worked at Simon Saunniers and at night our probably as tired as any man in Salem. Had to quit work a little after five P.M. coughed a good deal and am kind of played out. hope to feel better tomorrow. if not will not work. Sis & Little Howell came for me with the buggy am glad to ride.

May 19 Clear and warm. didn't lay my brick today but just kind of stayed around the building. Sam Patterson helped in my shoes. feel better tonight than last night. Uncle Jesse came out and we looked over and compared accounts. Mark did some plowing for Kirks in forenoon & afternoon hauled brick and sand.

May 20 Had a little shower just before noon and for a while looked bad for Saummiers building but didn't rain enough to do it much damage nor the crop much good but we should be thankful for only a little rain. I didn't lay any brick but loaded several loads. Feel week and coughed some today.

May 21 Cloudy with indications of rain but a very little came. Got Sauniers job nearly finished. (I mean the brickwork) it is still in a bad shape should a big rain come. Robert

Stickneys Circus is in town. Mark and Allan attended it this afternoon and pronounced it good. Allan went again tonight. May Brother Wm. had his toe nails operated on by Dr. Dupree of Cleveland who has been at the American House in Salem for a few day. Wills was a very bad case of ingrowing nail on each of his great toes. they have troubled him for years but he thinks the operation was successful and that his toes will get well. I fervently hope they will for they were very painful. (had one once myself). The Docs charge was 20 dollars. pretty stiff price for the size of the job. but will be worth ten times the amount to Will if he is cured. Julia also had him fix a Bunion for her and so far it has not pained her. charged her 3 dollars). Got the Farmer but am must too tired to read it tho I feel better than I did last night.

May 22 Finished at Sauniers at 9 oclock. sent Lon Patterson a tender to top a chimney for Jas Brown. Steven Adairs & I went to Buckeye. Geo Nusbaumers already there & we made mortar bed and got a lot of mortar made so that we will be ready for bricklayers Monday morning. hauled some brick in afternoon with Betty and one horse wagon. Nora & I went to town after supper with Dolly & Buggy. sat on a dry goods box and talked with Norman Gurrigues till nine oclock. Mabel Garrigues is here to stay all night. William G. Lease died at 6 A.M.

May 23 Clear & warm. Spent most of the day at home. in the evening hitched up Dolly to the buggy and Aunt Margaret & I went over to Uncle Tims. got some sweet corn for seed. Sister Nina Garrigues spent the day here.

May 24 Clear and hot. didn't do any work. took contract to fix roof in Geo Consers building (brick work I mean). Pack Seeds will do the carpenter work. Commenced the big shop at Buckeye.Work today & Bricklayers at work. Sam Patterson & his son Alonzo & Geo Nusbaum & his son Melville. the first named did not work in afternoon as he had some business to attend to. I spent most of the day at the Buckeye but have not been so well today. Geo & I bought the scaffolding that was used to repair the Methodist church steeple. gave 30 dollars. paid for my share & gave balance on a note (8 dols) and 7 dollars of a brick acct against Robert Hole. hired R. Bricker & John Yengling to work for me in the Conser Building. Mark rolled our corn in the forenoon & afternoon he & Allan hauled road sand to Buckeye. Got some medicine upon the advice of Jerry Saxin. Sarsapurilla & iron. the sarsoparilla I bought of Mrs. John Pickett and it is said to be more than 20 years old and the pure stuff being some that Wm Betz bought when he was manufacturing mineral water. got circular & price list of celery plants from L. Rupert Louisville Stark Co Ohio. Sold a pair of pigs to Thos Cyrus for $3.50

May 25 Clear and very warm for May. Spent most of the day at Buckeye. Mark hauled a load of boards down from the Methodist church & hauled sand balance of the day. engaged some laborers to help me at Consers building. where I want to begin tomorrow. Albert Morlan was here in the evening and I engaged him to do some painting on Trinity Blk.

May 26 Not quite so hot as yesterday but still very warm. Got tenders to work at

Consers building. took down a large chimney in front of building & also took down back gable end and cleaned the brick. Made Mortar etc. but laid no brick. Traded watches with A. H. Thomas. gave him my watch and five dollars for his watch. and get well satisfied but don't know how it will be after thoroughly testing the watch I now have but I think it a very good one. Mark hauled brick & sand & Allan cut the superfluous growth of a grapevine & helped the women folks in forenoon. After dinner he helped me at the building. no sign of rain at bedtime.

May 27 Cooler and more pleasant. had a fine shower in evening. Worked at Consers building. Sis & Howell visited at David Yenglings. went out and came back with Mark on sand wagon. Lou Patterson left the Buckeye building this afternoon without saying a word to any one in a sp___ I fear. Dolly has a cold. ugly but will improve.

May 28 Very pleasant after the glorious rain we had last night which will do incalculable good. Passed the day at Consers & the Buckeye building. At Consers we got the brick work ready for the roof. the rain last night wet the inside of the building some but did not damage it a great deal. Collected some money and paid off all the hands at both jobs & consequently am about strapped but theres more coming. One of our young heifers Allair found in the woods with a calf. We had been expecting it & Mark brought it home before breakfast. I think she will do well. Joseph Fawcett who is Real Estate Appraiser for Perry Township called in the evening and looked over some deeds etc pertaining to the farm. Mark has been busy hauling sand & brick etc. Cool in evening. Am feeling better than I have for a few days last past.

May 29 Cloudy with some rain in afternoon. in the forenoon I worked at the Buckeye putting the finishing touches on the Foundry. stopping scaffold holes etc. Afternoon attended the decoration of soldiers graves at Cemetery. Never saw more people in Salem. Everything passed off nicely until it began to rain. Hon. Geo. B. Loring of Salem Mass. delivered the oration but was forced to omit a part of it on account of the rain. The Canton Travel Army Band furnished the band music & Warren Hole Miss Carrie Hampson Mrs. Ella Wilkins & C. C. Logan the vocal music. I walked out to the grounds but rode to town with Uncle Tim Gee. Walked home from town through the rain but didn't get wet through. Nora went to see the Drummer Boy. played in Concert Hall.

May 30 Cloudy & cooler. several fine showers. took a walk over the farm & found crops doing well. no cut worms in the corn as I feared there would be. stayed in the house most of the day & in the evening walked up town & engaged John Dellenbaughs team for tomorrow. also called at Norman Garrigues & stayed a little while. John Shepherd called in evening.

May 31 Cloudy & pleasant. Have not felt quite so well today. intended to haul sand with two teams. Dellenbaughs & our own. but wagon bed is at Georgetown & we couldn't get another handy. so gave it up. Allan came home & picked potato bugs & Mark hauled 4 loads sand to Buckeye. 2 from Fawcetts & 2 from D. Yingling. I spent most of the forenoon at Buckeye & stayed at home in afternoon. Made a for ringing large

hogs. D. Lupton began _____.

Jun 1 Worked some in the garden and then went to town to see how work was progressing. Carpenters took balance of roof off the Consers building in afternoon rained again and it must have got very wet. Mark plowed for tomatoes in forenoon and as it rained afternoon took the horses to town and got them shod. Brought home a load of lumber from Methodist church. Almost cold enough for frost.

Jun 2 Clear & pleasant. Went to work again at Consers building & got the walls up ready for the time which will probably ____ tomorrow. R. Bricker & John Yengling laid brick for me. I topped out our chimney & have felt better today. John Yengling & wife came out in evening to look at young cow we have to sell but could not quite make up their minds to buy her. Recd the Post Office a copy of Louisville Ky Courier Journal. Republican National Convention met in Chicago. Hope they will not nominate General Grant for President. Mrs. Emma Wilson & Ms. Burlingham the latter of Ashtabula Co. Ohio we4re here today. Sold a lot of Brick 14500 to a man from ___.

Jun 3 Cloudy & clear at intervals. Finished at Consers by 9 A.M. & went from there to Buckeye where I spent the balance of the day. stopping long enough to come home to dinner. In afternoon I expected to make scaffold but had to lay brick in Lon Patterson's place he having walked off about 2 oclock & didn't say a word to any one. suppose he has gone on a spree. Would be glad if he would behave himself and stick to work for he is the best bricklayer I know of, not excepting his Father who is hard to beat. Mark hauled sand all day two loads from Fawcetts & 2 from D. Yengling. Allan worked in the farm most of the day & piled some sand towards evening. I feel much better, which fact I am pleased to note. Cool at bedtime but not cool enough for frost I think.

Jun 4 Laid Brick at Buckeye till noon. Lon Patterson was unwell in forenoon & I took his place. After dinner went down again took Howell with me. borrowed Leo Nusbaums horse & wagon and brought home 50 feet of weather boarding to repair barn. Took Howell to see the Engine in Buckeye Mill. he thought it wonderful. Went to town after supper & engaged a couple men to set out tomato plants tomorrow. No news of _____ from Chicago. Got 7 dollars of E. A. Lease. left with him By J. Hudson for house rent.

Jun 5 Cloudy & pleasant no rain of account. We planted and set nearly 3000 tomato plants & were done before 11 oclock. Had plenty of help. Afternoon I went to town. Got money for brick work on Consers building $150.00. Paid hands at Buckeye. Paid Aquilla Pidgeon 30 dollars. Ed Pidgeon 15 dollars & David Yengling 15 dollars. the latter for sand. Took supper at Hawkins restaurant. was too tired to walk home. & at 9 P.M. got a chance to ride with neighbor ____. Folks all in bed when I get home. Mark & Frank have gone to Patrick Lyons.

Jun 6 Sis & I spent the day at Uncle Timothy Gees getting home about 6 P.M. Found the folks there as well as usual. Ratie went to Canfield to visit her Uncle & Aunt & expects to stay a week. Brought the cows in the evening & went with Ham Howell over

to his pasture and brought home a young calf which he presented to Aunt Margaret. his cow having died giving it birth. The calf is lively & will probably get along all right. Old Mr. Horner came out in evening & wanted to rent a house but we had none for him. Shep was also here. evening cloudy & moderately cool.

Jun 7 Clear & pleasant. Spent most of the day in town running around. Part of the time at Buckeye Works where the bricklayers are getting along finely. Mark hauled sand. he having got back from his brothers on the local freight train. Bought a new iron kettle at Woodruffs Foundry, but will probably exchange it for a larger one. The Bryan sisters paid me 30 dollars and gave them a note for 42.74. They are poor & I think deserving at any rate I know they work hard & try to get along. The Republican Convention at Chicago had several ballots today 13 or 15 I believe, but failed to nominate a candidate for President. will probably name him tonight.

Jun 8 Clear & pleasant. Allan & I hauled Brick to Buckeye with our horse (Betty). Mark worked corn. Sis & Howell went to town with us after dinner & came back with us in the evening. Bought Howell a new hat also new shoes dress etc. Bought some sugar & a bushel of strawberries the latter to be delivered tomorrow by Elijah Whinery. The Republicans at convention nominated James A. Garfield of Ohio for President. Salem Republicans seem to be well pleased with the nomination & I for one think it a good one. Ham Howell & his son Geo came to look at young cow we have for sale.

Jun 9 Was forced to take Mark out of the cornfield to haul Brick till noon. afternoon Allan & I hauled with one horse & Mark went to working corn again. Began to rain slowly about 4 P.M. Elijah Whinery bought us a bushel of strawberries for which I paid him $1.92 in 6 cts . per quart. After supper all hands helped and got them stemmed before bedtime.

Jun 10 Very warm tho somewhat cloudy in the morning. Allan & I replanted about 400 tomato plants. After dinner hauled brick. Sold cow & calf to H. Howell for 24 dollars. he took the cow home in the evening. had a job of it as she was not used to being led & had never been off the place. Young folks all went to school commencement. Why commencement where it is the end of the school year) several young persons will graduate. (Mother is very poorly tonight very warm.

Jun 11 Clear & hot. Hauled brick to Baxters Foundry. Mark finished the corn & we went through it the first time. Mother is quite poorly & Sis is also quite unwell having slept but little last night. some indications of rain at bed time & I hope it will. Bought a pair of shoes of Jobes.

Jun 12 Very warm & partially clear until about 5 P.M. when a splendid rain began to fall. was very glad to see it. Hauled some brick & done a little job for Dr. Rush in forenoon. after dinner went to town. Wm. Hinchcliffe Paid me 2 dollars & Simon Summers Paid me 77 dollars. all he owed me. Paid Aquilla Pidgeon 40 dollars. also paid some of the hands who are working for me. having a chance to ride home with Benjamin

Hillaman I took advantage of it & got home before dark. Took supper at Norman Garrigues.

Jun 13 Cloudy with a heavy rain in the forenoon. soon cleared off & was quite warm but pleasant balance of the day. Took a walk over the farm. every thing is lovely. After dinner Aunt Margaret Howell & I went out to Uncle Jesses. they have lately moved about one mile from town on the Ellsworth road in a house belonging to John Cessna & have a very pleasant place to live. Sister Nina & her daughter Mabel came while we were there. From there we drove out to Uncle Tims & stayed a little while. Found them tolerably well. Rachel got back from Canfield yesterday. she had been on a visit to her Uncles. was sick most of the time while there. Maggie talks of coming over to see us soon. Hope she will be able when the time comes. Nora & I did some figuring on a cistern in the evening but didn't quite get a satisfactory answer to the problem. will resume tomorrow. Quite warm at bedtime.

Jun 14 Hauled Brick all day to Buckeye & Baxters Foundry. Mark hauled sand & Brick. His brother Pat came down & took dinner with us & castrated some calves & Pigs. After supper I went to town. attend Catholic Festival in Town Hall. bought a few trinkets. when I came out of the Hall found it was raining. Walked home with Frank who had been taking a music lesson. His teacher tells him he has a good voice which with proper culture will develop into something better. Raining steadily at bed time.

Jun 15 Drizzled rain all day & we didn't do much. I spent most of the day in town. Made out a proposition for building a large cistern in town but when I went to hand it in the Town Clerk (Frank Allison) said there was a mistake in the advertisement and bids would be rec'd till next Tuesday. Made out some bills and tried to settle with 2 or 3 parties but didn't make it. Chas E. Davis who keeps a grocery in town bought some brick of me sometime ago & agreed to get me a barrel of white sugar. I of course to pay the difference between the cost of brick and the sugar. I don't think he has ever sent for the sugar yet & he has told me a number of lies about it. My estimate of him can be said in one word. Liar. Mark and Allan cleaned up the Barn some. carried the hot bed sash in out of the garden and put them away & pulled & cut some weeds between vines. Sis got a new hat. very pretty.

Jun 16 Pleasant. Hauled brick & Mark hauled sand. got Dolly shod behind. got 50 lbs sugar of Chas E. Davis. Little Howell is not well tonight. has quite a fever had colic I suspect. Allan replanted some more tomatoes.

Jun 17 Clear & pleasant. Hauled brick all day. had Joe Post to help me. Mark & Allan worked corn & potatoes. Got the Tribune & will read it some before going to bed. Howell is much better tonight.

Jun 18 Clear & pleasant. Work at Buckeye. Patterson went to Ellsworth to build some chimneys. Mell Nusbauer got sick about 9 in the forenoon. Geo & I didn't get quite done. Mark & Allan hauled brick to Baxters in forenoon & afternoon worked corn etc.

Jun 19 Clear & warm. Worked at Buckeye till noon and finished the job. took down scaffold & etc. After dinner hauled brick to Baxters & went to town in the evening. Paid Aquilla Pidgeon 50 dollars & paid some of the hands for work at Buckeye. came home about 9 P.M. with Alonzo Patterson & Charlie Brookhart in a buggy they kindly offering me a ride which I was glad to accept.

Jun 20 Clear & warm. Spent most of the at home. Rachel Gee came over in forenoon & Aunt Margaret went to church with her & afterward home with her. I started over in the evening to bring her home but met Uncle Tim & Aunt Mary bringing her. Sis Howell & I took a ride out East Main Street. Dave & Mary Yengling and their 2 boys Park & Albert called in afternoon & made quite a little visit.

Jun 21 Clear & warm. got an early breakfast and went out to Sam Pattersons. He & I went to Ellsworth & made a proposition for building a Brick church. got back to Pattersons about noon & took dinner there. went from there to Buckeye Works. Settled with Buckeye Engine Co. They owed me $1039.60. Paid me 39.60 cash and gave me a note for six months at 6 per cent for $1000. Geo Nusbaum overhauled our scaffold stuff and divided it. he hauling a part of his house. Alan hauled brick to Baxters Foundry & Mark plowed corn. Mr. Street called in evening to see about some brick. Mother has been down stairs today. last Saturday was the first day she has been down stairs for five months.

Jun 22 Clear & warm. Hauled brick all day. Have not feel well. Consulted Dr. Firestone. sounded my lungs and found no particular difficulty. However there is something wrong somewhere for I have been coughing & raising more or less blood for some weeks. Think myself that indigestion is the main cause of my weakness. Dr F gave me a prescription for medicine which I will try. He also advised cod liver oil but I don't know about that. Guess if I take a good rest it will do me good. Got a letter from Uncle Geo Hise & answered it immediately. Have a slight prospect of selling my property in West Liberty Iowa. Mark got through our corn field the 2nd time. looks well.

Jun 23 Very warm hauled a few brick and a couple of one horse loads of sand. Took Howell with me in the wagon went to depot and various other places. in the afternoon I started for the brickyard with him again but he went sound asleep before we got to Chessmans. Wrote a letter to John C. Little New Waterford about brick. Geo Nusbaum & I fixed up our account satisfactorily. I owe him $43.74. Paid Mell Nusbaum $18.00 for work at Buckeye. Lizzie Grissell took Mother for a little ride & think it did her good. Mark & Allan went over tomato patch & dressed them up. also planted more sweet corn.

Jun 24 Clear & warm. Spent most of the day at James Posts house where I had Lon Patterson building a chimney. did quite finishit & I will do it tomorrow. Went to town after supper & out in the country a ways looking for a man to cut our wheat. found nobody as yet. Got a letter from Wilhelm & Martin of New Waterford who want 5000

brick. Went to depot to see about a car & will probably load them on Saturday. Also got a card from J. W. England Winona wants 1500 Brick. Mark and Allan worked in the corn. Democrats nominated Gen Hancock for President.

Jun 25 Began to rain early in the morning & continued cloudy with occasional showers all day. Finished a chimneyfor Jim Post and set the grate. got done at noon. Mark & Allan set out 150 cabbage plants & a few tomato plants. In afternoon we all hauled brick to the railroad loading a car. Read the Pittsburgh Dispatch in the evening. The Democrats have nominated a man for President. Gen Hancock who will run well & the Campaign will be hot.

Jun 26 Clear & warm. Finished loading a car of brick for Wilhelm Martin New Waterford Ohio. Paid Aquilla Pidgeon seventy five dollars. he was very drunk today. Mark & Allan took a load of clay to Buckeye Foundry & brought home the balance of my lumber that I used for scaffold at buckeye. Collected a little money from different persons. Went to town after supper & rode home with Levi Straley.

Jun 27 Somewhat cloudy all day with some rain. Attended Baptist meeting with Aunt Mary & Rachel Gee. Aunt Mary & Maggie Gee have been here for several days & they all went home towards evening. Howell & I followed them as I wanted to see Uncle Timothy about getting his reaper. Rained while we were there and we didn't get home till about nine oclock. Marietta Gibbons was here today as was also Alice McMillan. Benjamin Lease Died.

Jun 28 Morning opened cloudy & wet. went for the cows in the rain and beginning to be fearful of a wet harvest. wheat is almost ready to cut. Went to build a chimney for Thomas Mellon on Aetna Street. used all the brick he had and got the chimney a little above the roof. Afternoon went to Jonathan Evans wheat field. I had engaged Daniel Haifley (who is cutting Jonathans wheat to cut our wheat next Friday. but I don't think it will do to let it stand so long. made it all right with Dan & will cut ours ourselves if all goes well. Went to town a while got my shoe fixed at Jobes. Saw that Lease & Co store was shut on account of the death of their brother Benj. D. Lease who died yesterday afternoon. He was an estimable giving man I thought. He leaves a young wife & child to mourn his loss. Quite a wind & rain towards six oclock.

Jun 29 Cloudy and in latter part of the day wet. In the morning Allan & I weeded out and replanted some beets down by the saw mill. Mr. Gailey gave me some tomato plants and we planted them in the field where any were missing. Went over to Jont Evans and engaged him to bind wheat tomorrow. Stephen Adams came at noon to cradle around the field ready for the machine. He did get half way round before it began to rain & at 6 P.M. is still raining slowly by steadily. Mark plowed buck wheat till rain drove him in. Allan & I ground our mowing machine knives and have them ready for business when the weather is favorable.

Jun 30 Partially clear & cloudy but no rain. Cut a part of our wheat. Had Uncle

Timothys machine & broke it. fixed it up and run till supper time. Will have to finish with the cradle. Our wheat is full ripe & must be cut. Got draft for thirty dollars from Milhelm & Martin New Waterford for brick sent there. Frank went to a picnic yesterday and got back today. stayed in Alliance all night.

Jul 1 Took the reaper to Norman Garrigues shop and got it repaired. it was a bad break & took considerable time to fix it. didn't get it home till 3 oclock. cost me $2.50. Fritz Allan Brady & Jackson cradled the balance of wheat and got it all up in shock nicely by noon. Had a heavy rain about 2 P.M. After coming from Uncle Tims I went to town a while. Bought some groceries & got the Tribune. John Garwood Paid me 50 dollars. Mark finished plowing the Buckwheat & harrowed a part of the ground. also plowed some potatoes.

Jul 2 Cloudy a part of the day but no rain. Went to town a while in forenoon bought a barrel of salt of John Brown & Co. price 1.50. took our pickled pork out of tub and made new brine. is keeping nicely. Pulled weeds in the garden all afternoon. After supper took sow over to H. B. Millers. left her there all night. Paid Stephen Adams $6.50 all I owed him. Mark A. Allan finished the buckwheat & plowed corn in afternoon.

Jul 3 Went over to Millers in the morning & brought sow home. The 4th of July is being celebrated today as tomorrow is Sunday. Went to Brickyard at 9 A.M. and loaded some brick for J. England of Winona. took Howell with me & we went up town a while. saw the Fantastics which Howell thought were funny. also saw the Firemens parade which didn't amount to much. The afternoon was taken up with racing (not horses but men) of different kinds. Bicycles still race. egg race & etc. Allan Mercer won first prize in "go as you please" race & ran & walked together 28 times from corner of Main & Ellsworth to corner of Main & Canfield streets. Making in all about 14 miles in 2 hours. Came home to supper and milked the cows & didn't go back to see the fireworks which are advertised to be the grandest display ever seen in Salem. sat out in porch with Sis & Howell and saw a few rockets & Balloons go up. Paid Geo Nusbaum 45 dollars & took his receipt for 92 dollars which was the full amount I owed him for partner shop work at Buckeye had paid him 50 dollars before.

Jul 4 Clear & pleasant. Helped Julia with the milking and after breakfast Howell & I took a walk over the farm. picked a few raspberries & Bun brought them home to his "Mumsey". Worked some at my repast as Administrator which I am preparing for the Probate Court. In afternoon hitched Dolly to the buggy and went out to Sam Pattersons. Aunt Margaret went with me & we had a pleasant time. Sis & Howell sent as far as Aunt Lib Waits and stayed there till we came back. Aunt Margaret & I stopped to see Uncle Silas Howell who is quite near worn out. His wife is also very feeble.

Jul 5 Began to rain before daylight & continued cloudy and wet all day. stopped all work in the farm. tho in afternoon Mark hauled a load of clay to Buckeye Foundry and a load of cow horns. Made out my report as Administrator and mailed it to Judge W. G.

Wells New Lisbon. collected $175.00 rent for storerooms & 7 dollars of J. Hudson for house rent. Paid Jonathan Stanley 28 dol interest. Put some fine clay in brick plate of cooking stove to save it from burning out. Eli Ripley of Ellsworth called in afternoon. Renewed my proposition to build Methodist church in Ellsworth for $250 per M. solid measurement.

Jul 6 Cloudy & dull quite a heavy rain in afternoon. Went to town in the forenoon & fit a key in front door of house on _____ hill. John Garwood paid me 30 dollars more on acct. Paid Jim Reed $13.93 all I owed him. Mark and Allan hauled the brush out of the orchard and we three made a short line of fence across back yards. Got two papers from West Liberty. Wrote a letter to Uncle Geo Hise.

Jul 7 Clear & warm but still too wet to work mow or haul in wheat. Went to town in the morning. got a contract for building brick work of church in Ellsworth. also got a letter from my Uncle John Enlow Louisville, Ky. Mr. John Gordon and his daughter in law and her 2 children made us a little visit. took dinner with us is so nice to get to see them. Mark hauled a few loads of wood to Brickyard & in the latter part of the afternoon hitched to the mowing machine and was going to mow when Wm Menser came out & said Mickel Stratton wanted a load of brick right away. so we took them & didn't mow any.

Jul 8 Clear & fine. as a matter of course we hauled in our wheat and got it all safe in the barn. another rain would have spoiled it as we found a little that was grown but I think not enough to damage it to any extent. Mr. Gailey had a little wheat (16 doz) and we made room for it in our barn & he helped us all day. Before commencing on the wheat I mowed a little grass and raked it up in evening. went to town after supper to see Eyan Vickers for whom I half promised to build a chimney. but getting the wheat in was my foremost duty. Got back my report from Probate Judge. it was not exactly correct. I suppose as I had neglected swear to it before a Notary Public That will not make it any nearer correct but I perceive it is the law.

Jul 9 Mowed till noon and got done a good bit of grass. Mark plowed corn till noon and after dinner we began hauling in hay. got what we mowed yesterday in the Barn when thee came up a rain. we worked up what was raked & the balance had to take it. Went to town after supper. Rode up and back with Joel Stratton.

Jul 10 Worked all day at Woodruffs Foundry lining a cupolo. was a big days work as they were anxious to have the cupolo done today. Mark with Stephen & Allan to help get in some more hay but still left some in the field. rainy & wet in latter part of the day.

Jul 11 Clear & warm. was up early & brought the cows. After breakfast Sis Howell & I drove down to Aunt Uras. stayed there an hour or two & came home the crossroad by Wm Browns. saw a good deal of wheat still in the field. After dinner I walked over to Uncle Tims & stayed till towards evening. Found him as well as usual. The lightning yesterday struck a large apple tree in their orchard & that will probably be the last of that tree. Found several young folks here when I got home. Marks friends.

Jul 12 Went to Edgar Vickers in the morning to repair a chimney top but it was their busy day and it didn't suit his wife to have it done so Stephen (who was with me) & I came home. Stephen moved some fence corners & hoed in truck patch till noon. I took Dolly to town & got a shoes put on her. Paid Morlan & White $32.98 for painting at Trinity Block. Two very sudden deaths occurred today. Jack Brinker died at 2 A.M. and his son Frank came & informed us & requested me to write a card to Patrick Lyons a farmer neighbor and tell him which I did. Joseph Heacock an employee of the Buckeye Engine Co. while assisting in loading some machinery at the depot fell on the railroad track and was almost instantly killed. His head struck the rail and a large & heavy plank fell on him. None of his family was at home his wife who is in very poor health had gone to the country to stay a few weeks & her sister who lives with them had gone to Canton on a visit. What a blow to them. Hauled in the balance of hay we had down.

Jul 13 After an early breakfast I went to mowing. got down a couple of acres & at noon it was in prime condition to haul in but it rained again and we only got one load in the barn. Mark plowed corn till noon & Stephen & Allan howed tomatoes. After the rain I went to town but didn't do any good.

Jul 14 Got to mowing pretty early. but broke the _____ mowing machine before I got as much grass cut as I wanted. took the machine to Garrigues shop for repairs & intended to go after it this evening but didn't have time. got in all the hay we had down. had our daily rain about 6 P.M. but we had the last load in the barn. Allan & I dug a bushel of early rose potatoes and took them to Leases after supper. Mark Stephen & Allan worked potatoes & Beets till noon. Sis is quite unwell but I think some better tonight.

Jul 15 Clear & warm first day out of several without rain. got in some more hay in splendid condition. Went to town first thing in morning and got mowing machine cost for repairs $2.80. Mowed the balance of field left yesterday and then mowed the piece below Gaileys. got 2 loads there. Mark & Allan finished plowing corn (small patch) before noon & Stephen howed tomatoes. Got a letter from Alfred Sheets Washington Iowa. very glad to get it. My Wife is still quite unwell. hope she will soon be better.

Jul 16 Clear & cooler. Mowed from six oclock till noon & finished our mowing for this year. The forenoon was cool and pleasant & therefore comfortable for the horses. In afternoon we hauled it in & have our hay all in the Barn. James Reed came out with his cow in evening. he has just lost a good horse with lockjaw.

Jul 17 Clear & pleasant in the morning I mowed 1-1/2 acres of grass for Benj. Hillman. got done by 9 oclock & then went to town to build chimney top for Edgar P_____. finished that about 4 in afternoon. Brought Betty home from the Blacksmith shop where Allan had left her to be shod. Bought some hoop iron & a clothes wringer on trial. if it suits the price is 5 dollars. Mark & Allan finished the corn. Aunt Margaret Nora & Howell went calling in afternoon. Went to town after supper. Paid Aquilla Pidgeon 25 dollars. also gave Mark 5 dols Allan $2.75 & Julia $1.00. Paid insurance on Richland

Mutual $3.00. Bought Sis a tooth brush. Walked out with Monroe Vickers.

Jul 18 Clear & fine. Spent the day about home. Walked over the farm which looks well. "Quilly" Pidgeon came out in the morning to look at some brick wood. Mark went with him to the woods after he came back he & worked over our accounts which were satisfactory to him. I still owe him some 31 dollars for brick I have bought of him. Aunt Mary Gee & Rachel called on their way to church. Towards evening I hitched Dolly to the buggy & Sis Howell & I took a ride. Rachel Gee & Mrs. Emmarine McCracken called in evening & I went fast way home with them. stopped at Gibbons & chatted a while with them. engaged Mr. G. to hoe our tomatoes after Mark shall have plowed them. Sis is quite unwell after her ride.

Jul 19 Mowed over about 4 acres of ground for James Kirk but didn't cut very much grass. a very thin meadow intended to haul it in afternoon but it rained just enough to keep us from doing so. remained cloudy balance of day. Went down to Woodruffs foundry to look at a stack they want repaired. intended to put up a scaffold but thought it wouldn't pay till they are nearer ready. Settled with Stricken & Daniel. they owed & paid me $1.66. Paid Mecra J. Casselburry $9.55 interest on note for $50.00. Ground mowing machine knife & scythe. Mark and Allan worked in the garden till noon. got ground ready for turnips which I sowed at noon. In evening Mark takes a small load of straw to Furman Gee & a bu of potatoes to Lease & Co. Martha Venable washed for us today.

Jul 20 Partially cloudy & clear at times. cool for time of year. Planted an iron hitching post in the sand in front of the house & painted it. Went to town with Sis and Howell. sold 8 dozen eggs for 12 cts per doz. in afternoon hauled in Kirks hay. had an early supper and afterwards mowed some more at Kirks. Mark and Allan worked tomatoes till noon. Samuel Gibbons helping them. S. Adams cradled oats in afternoon. Aunt Margaret is not well tonight. somewhat feverish. Sis drove up to Dr. Rush's and got some medicine for her. Howell is 3 years old and this afternoon he and Lena rubbed the paint off the hitching post I painted. said he didn't rub it all off.

Jul 21 Clear & pleasant. brought the cows and Allan & I done the milking. finished mowing for Mr. Kirk and afternoon we hauled in his hay. also mowed 2-1/2 acres for John Wetmore. Allan & Mark worked tomatoes till noon & hauled out some old hay to mulch them. Stephen cradled oats and Sam Gibbons bound a portion of the day. Nora had company to tea. Bessi Rush, Alice McMillan & ClaraStreet & three others I don't know friends of Bessie from Pittsburgh. Got Harpers Weekly.

Jul 22 Clear & fine. We all went into the oats in the morning & bound till nearly noon then began to haul in & at night we have seventy five acres in prime condition. Am tired at night. Annie Hillman Lodge took supper with us.

Jul 23 Brought the cows & milked. While Mark took more wheat to mill Allan &I ground a scythe for Sam Gibbins whos going to help Stephen finish cradling the oats.

When the door was off we went to binding and at night we have all but one load of our oats safe in the Barn. Weather has been fine and we have got along splendidly.

Jul 24 I spent most of the forenoon in town. sold a lot on East Main Street to Birney K. White price $350.00. 250 he paid me in cash & gave me his obligation for 100 dollars worth of work & material (Painting). Aunt Margaret went to town & signed the deed. at 2 P.M. Sis & I are ready to start to Alliance to pay a little visit to Peter & Mary Heitzman. I transacted a little business in town. Paid taxes $82 & deposited $300.00 in Farmers Bank. Left town about 3 P.M. and after a pleasant drive in carriage at Peters about half past six. Found them at Home and well. Stayed with them all night &

Jul 25 Until ½ past three P.M. today we left them. had a very pleasant visit. Coming home we drove through Mt. Union & got home a little after 7. Found the folks well as usual & Doc & Jennie Howell were here. Mr. & Mrs. Patterson were here during our absence. am sorry they came when we were away. Ratie Gee brought Nora home in evening. she had been over there a portion of today. Wrote a note to Lorin Sharpnack in regard to Family Picnic.

Jul 26 Spent most of the forenoon in town. got Dolly shod & left orders for Samuel Elton & Uncle Jesse to make some brick & mortar. Paid $2.13 additional tax which was over looked on Saturday. Bought Mother a pair of shoes $2.75. In afternoon dug 3 bu potatoes & sold them in town. also engaged 4 bu for tomorrow. hauled 400 Brick from C Kinnemans kiln to Mrs. Tabers on Broadway. Began to rain before we got them unloaded & she (Mrs T) invited Allan & I in the house where we sat for an hour. when we started she lent us an umbrella which I returned in the evening. She also lent me several copies of Atlantic Monthly Magazine. Rec'd a card from H. B. Shelton stating that we could have picnic grounds on Friday. as we had arrangements to go on Thursday I had to go around and notify different persons of the change. Philip Matthews was buried.

Jul 27 Raining when I woke up this morning but stopped by 7 A.M. Went to work at Joel Sharps putting in a bullseye window & doing some work in both rooms didn't finish & will have to go again tomorrow. Mark Hauled wood to brickyard & Allan dug & sold 9 bushels potatoes 50 cents per bu. Some relatives of ours (distant ones) arrived in Salem & are at Doc Howels. Nora called on them this afternoon.

Jul 28 Clear & pleasant. Went with Mother in the carriage over to Uncle Tims where she expects to stay a few days & perhaps a few weeks. Hope she will get to feeling better. Howell went with us & coming back he & I stopped at Levi Strahleys and borrowed his wagon for the picnic on Friday next. in afternoon finished my job at Joel Sharps. Mark & Allan repaired some fence & did a little plowing in truck patch. After dinner Mark hauled some & after set out 5 or 6 hundred celery plants. Sowed some turnip seeds after supper.

Jul 29 Clear & fine. Hauled sand off the road in forenoon. After dinner repaired a cistern for Allison sisters on Lincoln Avenue. in evening went over to Strahleys and got his spring wagon for the picnic. Mark hauled wood.

Jul 30 Clear & fine. we were all up early & by 7 oclock have started to the picnic grounds where we arrived in good season. Had a splendid time. more than one hundred persons were present & most of them were relatives. spent the day boat riding & in other amusements. got home about 8 P.M. having stopped at Uncle Tims a few minutes.

Jul 31 Clear & warm. spent most of the day looking for a girl to live with us. Went over to Green in search of one but found her not. went to town in afternoon. got a letter from My Cousin Mary Enlow Campbell of Louisville Ky. She expects to make us a visit & will be home next Wednesday. Am glad she is coming.

Aug 1 Started again in search of a girl & in afternoon was lucky enough to find one & have just got home with her at 8 P.M. Her name is Stella Redington & she lives in Franklin Square. Hope we shall like her & she likes us. Went up to Dock Howells with Aunt M. but they were not at home. Has been quite warm. Frank was at Uncle Tims.

Aug 2 Cloudy with a little rain. Did some work for A. M. Carr got done about 3 P.M. Lon Patterson & Steven Adams helped me. Went to brickyard & measured some cord wood. Ms. Tillie Schell of Philadelphia & her son Newton & daughter Agnes. Miss Maggie Elkins of Pittsburgh & Emma & Annie Howell took supper with us. Uncle Silas Howell, my grandmothers brother died at a quarter before six this afternoon.

Aug 3 Cloudy & cool. a little rain in afternoon. Hauled brick in forenoon to Buckeye & Mrs. Taber. After dinner repaired some chimney tops for Dr. Rush. Engaged a bushel of blackberries of Elijah Whinery. After supper Sis Howell & myself went over to Uncle Tims to see Mother. found her very comfortable. Aunt Margaret was invited to tea with Mr. & Mrs. A. R. Litner but didn't feel like going. Frank & Nora go to a party at Eli Fawcetts. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal today. 1 to Mrs. Philip Matthews & 1 to S. Adams.

Aug 4 Clear & fine. Repaired one of the gates in the lane which Ham Howells cow jumped over & broke. Put away the hay rake. removed iron hitching first to inside of gutter in front of the house. At 10 A. M. attended the funeral of Uncle Silas Howell. he was buried at Green village Cemetery. He died in the 84th year of his age, was one of Salems oldest citizens & had been a man of iron constitution. In afternoon witnessed a game of Base ball between Fearnots of New Lisbon & Stars of Salem. F's 15 S 0. Mark & Allan hauled dirt off the street to fill in door yard. Allan recovered the coat he lost on day of picnic. Lawson Harper had found it.

Aug 5 Clear & pleasant. Went to Garrigues shop and ground my axe. At noon went to depot & met my cousin Mollie J. Enlow. She left Louisville at 3:40 P.M. yesterday and arrived in Salem at 12:30 today. She looks well & is much larger than when I saw her last. 15 years ago. She went from depot to Ninas & in evening Sis Howell & I went up & stayed a couple of hours. Aunt Margaret & Nora were at Uncle Jesses with the

Philadelphia folks. Mark & Allan hauled dirt off the streets & have I think enough.

Aug 6 Clear & pleasant. visited at Uncle Tims with Cousin Mollie. Went over about 11 & stayed till 4. Mollie Rachel &I went through the orchard & to the woods & had a very pleasant time. Wrote a card o Uncle John Enlow. Went to town afternoon from Uncle Tims. Bought some sugar & etc. Several Moulders from Silver & Demings came out to see Frank in evening.

Aug 7 Clear & warm. Built a chimney for Joseph Thompson. got it done at ½ past 4. Went to town after supper & brought Cousin Mollie home with me. She got a letter from home today. This morning she & Sis & Howell took a buggy ride. stopped at Uncle Tims & saw brother for a few minutes. Stella went home to stay over night. Nora took her as far as Franklin _____ Mill. Reads quite dusty. I think we need rain.

Aug 8 Clear & warm. After Breakfast Aunt M. & I went out to the Cemetery. had a dirty ride. after we came back Will & Cousin Mollie went over to Uncle Tims to see Mother & report her much better. After dinner Frank & I went over. I went on to Franklin Square & Brought Stella home. Also brought a young woman who is going to live at McMillans, a friend of Stellas. Philip Evans died at 3 P.M. after a lingering illness.

Aug 9 Clear & warm. Topped out two chimneys for James Lowry for which he paid me 5 dollars. Milton Taylor took old sill from under house on Foundry & David Lupton put a new one in its stead. I bought it & some weather boarding of Stratton & Daniel. paid $1.50 for them. After supper I went to town a few minutes & from there to Uncle Tims. Rachel Gee has been scouring the country today for a girl to work at Mr. Teegardens. where they have 3 cases of typhoid fever & I heard of a girl whom perhaps they can get. After coming home wrote a letter to Aunt Sally Enlow Louisville. Cousin Mollie is in town. Sis took her in this morning. Mark repaired fence bet. us & Marshall & hauled manure balance of day. Roads are getting very dusty.

Aug 10 Took some lumber to house on Foundry hill where David Lupton is doing some carpenter work for me. Took off the floor of portico & found the sills completely rotted out. will put in new ones. bought 60 ft oak flooring of Pack Seeds. $3.50 per hundred feet. Afternoon I worked at Silver & Deming doing some patching. Clouded up in afternoon but no rain of account.

Aug 11 Worked at Silver & Deming til noon & afternoon attended Philip Evans funeral. A good many people were there. had a fine shower about 4 P.M. Aunt Margaret Cousin Mollie & Sister Nina spent the day at Uncle Tims.

Aug 12 Worked all day at S & D. After supper went to town to get at box out of Express office for Cousin Mollie but failed to get it as the Ex. office was closed. Mark & Allan hauled a load of brick to Bens Uncle & hauled out Manure balance of day.

Aug 13 Worked all day at Silver & Demings & got chimney for Brass furness nearly

completed. Was tired at night but went to town to meet Aquilla Pidgeon but he failed to appear. Nora went to Mr. Huckles to tea & stayed the evening. Mark and Allan Hauled manure. Pleasant day.

Aug 14 Finished chimney at Silver & Deming. went up town before coming home. Bought a kiln of brick of Aquilla B. Pidgeon. 116 thousand or thereabouts. Paid him for it $586.50. 300 dollars cash. 136.50 by his rent for the sand & wood I furnished and for the other 150 dollars I gave him my note without interest payable May 1st 1881. In afternoon Allan & I repaired a grate for Mr. Kirks. set new post etc etc. will charge him $1.50 for the same. My Wife Cousin Mollie Nora & Little "Bun" spent the afternoon & took supper at Sister Nina's where I went after supper. Cousin Mollie stayed & we came home about 8 P.M.

Aug 15 Clear & pleasant. Sis & I went to Cemetery & selected a burial lot in new part of Cemetery & will have our departed ones remains removed at a future time. our lot we have now is but have a square 8 x 16 feet & we thought best to have a full lot 16 feet square. After leaving the Cemetery we called on Hannah & Mitchell Acklesins. she used to live here with our folks. Took a ride round town. Ratie & Aunt Mary Gee came over & brought Mother with them. she has been at their house for some weeks & is much improved in health. which fact I am pleased to record. Alice McMillan started this afternoon to Illinois to visit relatives. Simeon Sharp called and engaged some oats straw after we shall have threshed. I have just finished a story by W. D. Howells in Alliance Monthly called the Undiscovered Country & deals with so called Spiritualism. I was much interested in it & fully agree with the Author when he says that "we must wait." I do not believe that disembodied spirits ever returned to Earth in any shape & have never experienced anything to convince me of the truth of Spiritualism. The hope (if not the belief) of immortality is strong within me& I am content to wait & do not fear the result. Do not think anybody need fear who strives to do right regardless of any creed or act.

Aug 16 Clear & pleasant. Allan & I cut 13 trees out of the front yard preparatory to a general fixing up of the same. After helping fall the trees I went to Ellsworth, Mahoning Co. where I have a contract for putting up walls of a brick church. Went to ___ ___ _____ ____ in a kiln of brick made by David ____ & his sons & to look up a place to board for myself & hands. accomplished all I went for satisfactorily. got home about 4 P.M. & helped some clearing up the yard. Saw Cousin Mollie in town. she was working with Nina & Mabel to have some photographs taken. Elijah Pidgeon was out to see me about making a kiln of brick in _____. will consider it tilltomorrow noon. Nora goes is a dance with Ernest McMillan. Sent my report (or rather gave it to Chas. Boone to give to Sheldon Park.) to Probate Judge in New Lisbon. Read the Louisville Courier Journal which cousin Mollie gave me. intensely Democratic.

Aug 17 Worked all day at Silver & Demings. finished a couple of Brass furnaces & started a blacksmiths forge. Agreed with Edgar Pidgeon to let him put up a kiln of brick on shares. Got a letter from my Aunt Sally Enlow. first one I ever had from her.

Aug 18 Finished my job at Silver & Demings & came home & worked balance of the day fixing the yard. Allan & Mark had the stump all out & we got it plowed. Sis Howell & Cousin Mollie with Nina & Mabel Garrigues spent the day at Uncle Jesses. Mollie did not come home with Sis as we expected but will beout tomorrow. went up town towards evening but didn't stay long.

Aug 19 Worked at the yard till 3 oclock and got one side nearly finished. sowed timothy seed on it but a very heavy rain came & I fear washed it out some. can go over it again though. Stephen & Samuel Gibbons helped me with the yard. Took 9-1/2 bushels apples to Barber & Robinson for which I got 20 cents per bu. bought 2 bu timothy seed of Sumers & Gee. 3 dollars per bu. Paid for it this evening. Mark commenced plowing for wheat & Allan helped move some brick at the yard. Cloudy & wet in evening.

Aug 20 Hauled a load of sand for Hogans pavement on Main street which Alex Cowen promised to lay for me today. After noon Mr. Gibbons came up & we finished work on the yard. Made a splendid job of it & I am proud of it to say the least. borrowed a roller of Joseph Kerr & rolled it. Am tired at night but satisfied with my days work. Allan picked 1-1/2 bu tomatoes & took them to McNabbs. the first we have sold this season. Mr. Gruss with his threshing machine came after supper & tomorrow we expect to thresh.

Aug 21 Well the threshing is done. but we worked late at it & all hands are tired. 2 of my men didn't come & it was consequently hard on the rest of us. however Frank & Will were both at home & helped with a will The machine broke in afternoon but Will mended it & away we went again. got done about 7 or a little before. Had 120 bu wheat & 382 bu oats. Allan had a slight chill after supper caused I suppose by ____ing so much dirtt. He worked very hard this afternoon. Couldn't find our cows at night & let them go. too tired to hunt them after supper was over at ½ past . Sam Patterson came out & we talked about going to Ellsworth Monday morning.

Aug 22 Got up early & started for the cows. Finally found them over at Evans & had a glorious tramp through the wet grass. Lou Patterson came out after breakfast & told me one of the tenders in Ellsworth job had backed out so I should have to look for another one. Went to town in afternoon and found one in the person of Gabriel White. a colored man who lived in Salem several years ago but who has lately been at New Brighton. Cousin Mollie & took a ride over the country. called at Aunt Uras & went from there to Uncle Tims. spent a few minutes at each place.

Aug 23 Got up at 5 oclock & with the mare went over to Jonathon Evans & got his spring wagon. After breakfast started to Ellsworth. Met the Pattersons in town got a wheel barrow & a mortar hoe & away we went. Stephen Adams Allan & I in one wagon & Patterson & the wheelbarrow in the other. Got to Ellsworth in good time & went to work immediately. making mortar, scaffolding & etc. Laid a few brick before noon & by supper time had got a good start. Allan stayed & wheeled brick for us as one of our tenders could not come with us but promised to come tomorrow. Allan with Dolly & the

wagon started home after supper.

Aug 24 Weather clear & very warm. have not felt the heat so this summer & work went kind of tough with me. though Sam & Lon didn't seem to mind it much. Gabe White made his appearance about 8 this morning having walked up from Salem. Brought a shot gun with him & I presume he intends to hunt some. I am boarding with Mr. Eli Miller & so far find his house a very pleasant place. Pattersons are staying with Mr. Dakin & the colored man Stephens & Gabriel are boarding them selves & sleeping in the Town Hall.

Aug 25 Clear and very warm. worked all day at the building and got along very well. The people I board with are very pioess. Have Bible reading & prayer every morning & say grace at every meal.

Aug 26 Think I never laid brick when it was hotter. we all perspire freely & are standing it first rate. Mr. Miller whom I board with threshed today & had a hot time of it.

Aug 27 Clear & hot as usual. today we three Sam Patterson his son Alonzo & myself laid 4000 brick in 3-1/2 hours. one of the teams hauling lime from Salem brought my sand screen. Got a letter from Sis & one from Goly Hise of Washington Iowa. The latter is about to start a _____y & wants to see _____

Aug 28 Another very warm day. we got all the walls of the building up 2 scaffolds high & began on the 3rd but we hadn't tenders enough to keep us going & knocked off before 5 oclock. Bro Frank came with horse & wagon after me and after supper we all started home. Pattersons folks having came with their rig. Got to Salem ½ past 8. Paid the hands some money and looked up another tender before coming home. found the folks at home as well as usual. Little Howell had stayed up as long as he could to see his Papa, but finally got so sleepy he couldn't stand it any longer and was sound asleep when I got there.

Aug 29 Clear & warm. Had a good many things to attend to & didn't get to stay at home much of the time. Went to Brick yard & from there to Photograph gallery & tried to get a picture for Mollie to take home with her, but couldn't find the artist. Had several callers in afternoon found another man to go with us to Ellsworth. Wrote a letter to Goly Hise.

Aug 30 Got up before 4 oclock & after an early breakfast started to Ellsworth. stopped at Steven Adams & got on board himself & Preston Alexander. stopped at Paul Brickers in town & got another brick hod. Met Patterson at the cross roads about 1-1/2 miles from town. divided our loads & away we went. arrived at the building about 7 and went immediately to work. got along splendidly weather warm & fine.

Aug 31 Clear & warm. I drank too much water in the afternoon & it made me sick. Didn't feel well all afternoon. wrote a postal card to Sis and sent it to Salem by Mr.

Ripley who is going to Canton to attend Soldiers Reunion.

Sep 1 Was sick all forenoon but got better afternoon. A slight breeze sprang up & made it more comfortable to work. Laid a good many brick today.

Sep 2 Work went all right with me today and our building is growing finely. Would like to know how things are going at home but I guess all right.

Sep 3 All Hands felt good this morning and we started in to put our building to square by six oclock & would have accomplished it nicely but for an accident. We got in a little too much of a hurry and after putting on a _____ over the windows we neglected to back up the wall behind soon enough and the consequence was that a slice of one wall 15 feet long and 18 inches high fell out. No serious damage was done though and we soon had it in shape again, but it kept us from getting done & we hated it on the account.

Sep 4 Worked till 8 A.M. & ____ of time had the building to the _____. covered the walls & paid off the hands and made preparations for coming home. Allan came with Dolly & spring wagon between 10 & 11 and we soon after ward started home. where we arrived all right about 1oclock. Went to town after dinner & collected a little money, was just about strapped. J. P. Hogan paid me 10 dollars and Ernest McMillan 10. $6.75 of which was on the old account and the balance 3.25 was for brick they got yesterday.

Sep 5 Spent most of the day at home. Uncle Timothy & Aunt Mary Gee were here to dinner. Afternoon Aunt Margaret went with Uncle Tim to Colored camp meeting in Grenamyers woods East of Salem. The young folks also went. Aunt Lib Wait was out.

Sep 6 Clear & fine. We picked 53 bushels of tomatoes and took them to McNabb. Collected some money in town. Silver & Deming paid me some 19 dollars & Jont Bolin 7.75.

Sep 7 In the morning Mark & I went to Bone Mill & got ½ ton of Bone dust for which I paid $20.00. also got 7-1/2 bushels of Fultz wheat of Joel Stratton for seed. Went to town in evening and got a job from Archie Cook building chimneys for his new house on Lincoln Avenue.

Sep 8 Robert Tolertons hired man came over with wheat dryer & put in 5 acres of wheat for us. sowed Fultz wheat. got done by noon. Hauled some brick in afternoon.

Sep 9 Clear & cool. Spent most of the day at the brickyard loading & hauling brick. our new kiln is opening but splendidly. Mark hauled some rails and made a fence around truck patch. went to the station at 4:40. Cousin Mollie started for home. I purchased her ticket for her & got her trunk shipped and saw her safe on the cars. I think she has enjoyed her visit very much & we have enjoyed her company. Hope she will get home safe. Frank came home from the shop before noon sick. has high fever in evening. Sent for Dr Firestone and he left him some medicine. I will stay with him tonight. Quite cool

for time of year.

Sep 10 Clear and pleasant. Much warmer than for some days past. Went to town in the morning. got Dolly shod all around. She has been slightly lame for some time & I thought perhaps if her shoes were taken off she would get better but she still seems stiff and sore. think she is better today. Hauled some paving brick to A. J. ____. Mark and Allan picked 22-1/2 bu tomatoes and after taking them to McNabb hauled a load of stone for a well on East Broadway. Mrs. Emily Robinson spent the day with us & Sara McMillan & Miss Ferkey were here to supper. pleased to have them. Bro Frank is better tonight. though still week.

Sep 11 Clear & pleasant. In forenoon I hauled some brick with Dolly & one horse wagon. Took 4 bu wheat down to Jos. Koll & run it through his farming mill. we want it for seed. Bought a new pump for the barnyard of Add. Carr. cost 4.50. Mark hauled 2 loads of stone for a well on East B. way & Allan picked some peaches (which Sis canned) and cut corn the balance of the day. Stella went home to stay all night. have drove her down. I went to town after supper & stayed an hour or two. notified my tender to be ready to go to Ellsworth early Monday morning. Read the Farmer before going to bed.

Sep 12 Clear & pleasant. stayed in bed until Sis called me to breakfast. After breakfast Mark Allan & I took the old pump out of the cistern at the Barn & put the new one in. it works first rate & we now have water handy. Have to pump water for the cattle as the ponds have all dried up. Pasture is also dry, but our cattle still look very well. Sis Bun & I went over in the grove and lounged in the grass for an hour or two. Nora & Will spent the day at Uncle Tims. Rachel brought them home in the evening. I rode part way home with her & stopped at Gibbons & got him to help cut corn tomorrow. Wrote a letter to Sister Fannie & a note to Robert Hole.

Sep 13 When I got up this morning found it raining. but Mark & Sis were up before me & my breakfast was ready by half past 4. Didn't start to Ellsworth right away but by a little after five it began to clear off & hitched Dollyto the carriage & drove up to Stewart Adams. got the tenders together. found Patterson waiting for us in town. Got to Ellsworth by half past 8 and went right to work & at night have one gable nearly completed. Laid my vest with my watch in it on the timbers & the wind blew it off. it fell to the ground & broke the main spring in my watch & I fear otherwise injuring it. Quite cool for time of year & if not too cloudy will probably be a little frost. Left Dollys colt at home today as I want to wean it. At noon I found that her (Dollys) udder was very much swollen and seemed to hurt her. Milked her down & rubbed her udder with lard. think she will be better in the morning. Hope so.

Sep 14 Had some rain very early this morning, but the day was a fine one for laying brick. got along very well at the building. Dolly is coming round all right.

Sep 15 Found quite a frost when I got up this morning, but the day was a lovely one. We finished the brickwork of the church about 3 P.M. We laid the walls by Masons

measurement measures 106.300. W. L. Ripley paid me $150.00 & will I presume pay the balance soon. came to $265.75 altogether. Got home a little after 6 P.M. Found the folks as well as usual & Mr. & Mrs. Smith Townsend & daughter Edith here. They are old friends of the family & I think very fine folks. In the evening I took them to John Garwoods. He being Mrs. T's brother. Mark finished sowing our wheat. Allan went to Alliance to F_____ show. Republican meeting in town tonight addressed by Pres. Hinsdale of Hiram College.

Sep 16 Clear & pleasant. Worked for Bill Brown at his place east of Salem building a cistern & foundation. Steven Adams & Preston Alexander went with me & I expected Lou Patterson but he came not. Got along very well tho without him. Mark hauled some sand etc & Allan & Sam Gibbons are cutting corn.

Sep 17 Clear & fine. put in the day at Mr. Browns & got along very well. Nora took Steven & I drove & we walked back in the evening. Aunt Rachel Hise came this morning on the 9:40 train. Will & Frank were there (at the Depot) to meet her. Uncle Tim was also. Nora & she went home with him. Our folks went over & spent the day with her. Mother got a letter from cousin Mollie or rather from Mr. Elwin C. Hise who I suppose is a very particular friend of Mollies. Mark got one of the horses shod & done some hauling. sand, _____ etc etc. Lou Patterson was here after supper to get more money. has got into some kind of a squabble in town. let him have ax.

Sep 18 Weather clear & fine but very dry. Steven & I went to Bill Browns & worked all his brick up before noon. After dinner Allan & I hauled some brick & loaded some for others. Went to town after supper. Aunt Rachel came over from Uncle Tims this morning & stayed till afternoon when Rachel Gee came & took her home. Mark and Frank went up to Pat Lyons west to Alliance on the cars.

Sep 19 Clear & warm. Went this morning to John Marshalls who had requested me to call. He is in very poor health. wanted to see me about renting a house for his nephew Ellis Marshall but I could give him no definite answer. Went to Baptist Meeting with Aunt Rachel & Aunt Mary Gee. Nora & Rachel Gee also went. Afterwards they together with Uncle Jesse & wife & their daughter in law & little boy. came out here to dinner & spent balance of the day. Sister Nina came out in afternoon. had a very pleasant time. Wrote a letter to Uncle Wm Hise West Liberty, Iowa.

Sep 20 Cloudy & rained a little about noon but not enough to saturate the ground very far. Allan & I hauled some brick & piled out some others at the kiln. Mark & Frank came home in the morning & he cut some corn fodder & picked some peaches before noon. afterwards hauled a load of sand for the brickyard & some lumber to E. A. Lease & Co to build a potato bin. I brought home a suit of clothes made for me by Snyder & Heacock. They fit very nicely. cost 32 dollars. Went up town in the evening. Drums & Fifes are out. political excitement in town.

Sep 21 Clear & pleasant. Built a chimney for Wm. Brown. got I done by 3 oclock.

went to brickyard & up town. bought some leather washers for the buggy. after coming home Howell & I walked out to the tomato patch. There are some ripe ones. Sis comes out in a new cashmere dress unbeknownst to me. it is very pretty & I am glad she has it.

Sep 22 Clear & Pleasant. We picked 27 bu tomatoes & took them to market before noon. Afternoon we hauled brick. Sis went to Hillmans this afternoon & this morning Mother took a ride down as far as Gibbons. Stanley Matthews speaks in Leetonia tonight. Sis got a letter from cousin Mollie. it contained a watch chain made I think of bamboo.

Sep 23 Clear & pleasant. Went to brickyard in the morning & helped load a couple of loads brick. Then went to Archie Cooks new house on Lincoln Avenue & began the chimneys there and worked there till night. Mark hauled some wood to brickyard. Aunt Margaret Aunt Rachel Aunt Mary Gee & Ratie spent the day at Uncle Jesses. Frank & Nora went to concert in Presbyterian church. Mr. Hinchcliffe paid me ten dollars still owes me something more than 20 dols. Mrs. Wolf paid Mark 3 dols for well st____. Paid R. Tolerton 2.50 for Drilling wheat.

Sep 24 Clear & warm. Worked all day at Sophie Cooks chimneys. Went up town after supper. Mrs. John P. Hogan paid me 10 dollars on acct. they still owe me 6 dols & some cents. I paid Thos Fawcett $4.30 for sand all I owed him. Aunt Margaret Aunt Rachel Sis & Howell visited at Aunt Uras today. They had a pleasant time. Mark hauled wood to brickyard, sand & brick to Cooks house & a load of sawdust to Mrs. Trimbles. Allan gathered some beans & done other jobs about the farm.

Sep 25 Clear & pleasant but oh how dry. Didn't feel very well when I got up this morning & ate no breakfast. thought I would feel better in an hour or two & went to work at cooks chimneys but I couldn't make it. came home and went to bed and stayed there the balance of the day. had some fever but feel better in evening. Aunt Margaret & Aunt Rachel made several calls in town. also went to Cemetery. in evening Nora & Aunt R went to Uncle Tims where they will stay all night.

Sep 26 In the morning Clear & windy. feel much better & have just got back from a walk to the tomato patch. After a light dinner I went over to Uncle Tims. walked part way & met Nora with the buggy. she turned about & took me the rest of the way. spent a pleasant afternoon with Aunt Rachel and the rest of the folks. after a while Sis & Bun came & we got home before dark. rained on us a little & still looks cloudy. go early to bed.

Sep 27 Rained a very little last night. is cooler this morning and does not look much like rain. Am not feeling good this morning and will not go to work. sent Allan up after Steve Adams to help pick tomatoes. They picked 43 bushels by noon & after dinner I with Dolly & 1 horse wagon took them to market. afterwards took Aunt Margaret over to Uncle Tims & left her there to stay all night. Went to town a while hoping to see David Yengling but saw him not. Cloudy & cool in evening. Got 2 West Liberty papers.

Sep 28 Rained last night and was cloudy at times today. cooler. Hauled some brick to different places. got Dave Yengling to build a small chimney for me in the afternoon. Allan attended him. Mark hauled wood to Brickyard and a load of coal home. In evening I went over to Uncle Tims and brought Aunt Margaret home. took supper there.

Sep 29 Morning clear & cool. Nora has just gone to the Depot to take the train for Pittsburgh Exposition. Will have Paschal & Annie Seeds for company. Allan & I worked all day at Arch. Cooks chimneys. Just before six oclock Joshua Hilliard came for a load of Brick and I had to load him. Twas after dark when I got Home. Aunt Rachel with Aunt Mary & Rachel Gee called this afternoon. Aunt R expects to start home tomorrow. Hannah White expected to go with her but we or rather Uncle Tims folks neglected to send her ____ when she Aunt R was going. Sis went to see Hannah this evening & she will probably hurry up & get ready to go tomorrow if Aunt R goes. Sent $6.16 to Mellinger & Co Leetonia, Ohio an old debt of my Fathers which I promised to pay but neglected it. its paid now. Read Harpers Weekly & played a game of euchre in evening. Cloudy & cool. Had quite a fall of rain & sleet.

Sep 30 Clear cool & pleasant. Finished Cook chimneys in time to get to train & see Aunt Rachel start for Iowa. Hannah White went with her. Went up town after supper. Bought 4 lbs Butcher 90 cts. Nora reports having a good time at Pittsburgh Exposition. She got to Salem at an early hour this morning & went Home with Pack & Anna Seeds. Aunt Margaret ____ over for her this morning after breakfast.

Oct 1 Went to town in the morning & put Steven Adams to work digging a cistern for D. Lupton. Hauled a 1 horse load of gravel to repair pavement on Lincoln Avenue. At noon drove to the depot to meet Parker Pillsbury who stops off here on his wayto Alliance to attend the meeting of Old Abolitionists. He came accompanied by Mr. A. B. Braddford. They both took dinner with us & Mr. B stayed all night while Parker went to McMillans. Mr. Pillsbury spoke in Town Hall in evening. Mr. Bradford & I attended the meeting. The subject of his discourse was the present aspect of the times. He poured hot shot into each of the present political parties but more especially he denounced the Republican party & ad____ his _____ in Gods name not to vote the Republican ticket. I cannot say that I was altogether pleased with what he said although I think he said it a little better than any one else that I know of could. I admire him greatly. He is a thinker. A man of brains & ideas, deeply in earnest & thoroughly honest. It perhaps would be best not to vote at all, but I cannot but think that the Republican Party as compared with the Democatic Party is the least of two evils & I choose to vote with the Republicans. Mr. B & I got home about 10 P.M. & after chatting a while went to bed.

Oct 2 Cloudy with several showers of rain. accompanied by thunder & lightning. After breakfast at the usual hour talked with Mr. Bradford until about 9 A.M. Rather he did the talking & I sat willing to listen. He is very interesting. He was Counsel to China during A. Lincolns Administration & gave us some very interesting facts about that far off country. He is a Spiritualist & tells me of some of the evidence which convinced him of the truth of Spiritualism. Says his mind is fearfull of ____ ____ ___ ___ ___ ____ a doubt

or a fear. I wish I could say the same for myself not that I have my fears, for I have not, but I doubt very much that Spiritualism (so called) is true. Ernest McMillan came up with Parker Pillsbury & they with Mr. B. went to town together. Sis & Howell & I went soon afterwards. first to Annie Seeds to _____ _____ an errand then to David Luptons where I excused myself from building a cistern as I promised to do. Then up to the brickyard where I gave Ed Pigeon 20 dols to ____ ___ for some Brick. Then to Jobes store & he paid me his quarterly rent $100.00. After dinner I drove to New Lisbon stopping at Uncle Tims a while ____ the way. Had some business at Probate Judge office which I handled satisfactorily. got back home in good time & after supper went to town awhile.

Oct 3 Was up early & intended if Aunt Margaret would go along to go to Alliance to attend Reunion of old Abolitionists but when I called her she thought she was too tired & did not go. I washed the buggy & afterwards went to the woods with Mabel Gurrigues and Bun. gathered a few chestnuts and some bright leaves. After dinner I went to town & brought home our new spring wagon from Garwoods shop. The price of it is $65.00. Aunt Margaret & Nora & I went over to Uncle Tims. Had a splendid ride & we all much pleased with the wagon. After supper went to Joel Strattons ____ ____ ____ while I was away. sold him a one horse ___ for $___.

Oct 4 Cloudy & moderately warm. Worked all day at D. Luftons building a cistern & didn't quite finish it. went up town where after supper & engaged Bill Bowman to pick apples. we are all very busy. Mark cut our buckwheat & afterwards hauled some sand & gravel for a pavement to Lincoln Avenue. Allan picked & marketed 17 bu tomatoes & hauled 1 load gravel.

Oct 5 Clear & pleasant. somewhat windy. Finished D. Luptons cistern before noon went to Robinsons fruit house to see about some crates to put apples in. but got none. Steven & Allan picked apples in afternoon. Mark picked up off the ground & loaded sweet apples in the wagon. I assorted more potatoes & took some corn & oats to Buckeye Mill. also loaded some brick for J. Webb. Paid Steven Adams $6.12. Went to town after supper. Bought a pair of boots of R. Jobes. Price $5.00.

Oct 6 Morning clear & fine. Loaded some apples in the wagon before breakfast. after breakfast took them to Barber & Robinsons fruit house. got back right away as Nora wanted the horse to go with some of her young lady friends to Canfield Fair. Loaded 550 brick for John Webb. Packed 2 bu of gate apples in sand and made a new bin in cellar. put away a few apples. Allan & L. Adams picked all day. Mark made 3 ___ ___ cider in forenoon and hauled a load of wood from Cook Shepherds. afternoon I went up town after supper and bought some butter for which I paid 25 cents per lb. Must buy a fresh cow.

Oct 7 Clear & pleasant. Hauled brick all day. Mark hauled wood from C. Shepperds. At night we all pared apples for apple butter.

Oct 8 Clear & pleasant. Hauled brick all day with Chas. Lacy to help me. Allan stayed

at home and helped make apple butter. Made about 10 gallons. very nice. Mark hauled wood from C. Shepherds. Never saw finer weather.

Oct 9 Clear & fine. Hauled brick in forenoon & afternoon took 18 bu of tomatoes to McNabbs. Allan & Steven picked them. hauled in a small load of corn which Sam Gibbons husked yesterday. Went to town in evening. took supper at Nina Garrigues. Norman and a host of others were going to Alliance to attend a Republican meeting & I joined them with a cap & cape & carried a torch all over Alliance. listened to a speech by Judge Laaubie in the Opera House which by the way is far ahead of anything of the kind in Salem. After midnight when I got home & Im tired.

Oct 10 Clear & warm. Mark & I hauled in and threshed buckwheat. were afraid to leave it out longer & thought best to attend to it if it was Sunday. afterwards brought in a few shocks of sowed corn fodder which was in one corner of a field we want for pasture. In afternoon Nora & Will went to Franklin and brought Stella home & when they got back Aunt M. & Sis Howell & I took a little ride in our new spring wagon. stopped at Hannah Sharpnacks a little while. Mother was feeling well enough to go to town this morning & Sis took her up to Ninas where she will stay a few days. Went early to bed.

Oct 11 Clear & very warm for time of year. Took a load of apples to the fruit house, but as I was so unfortunate as not to having of their crates to put them in I was forced to wait an hour or two and then unload outside. I was made, but they said they could not get the stuff to make crates of & were doing the best they could. expect to have to wait for several days before I can haul balance of _____. Hauled a load of sand and some brick for a pavement on High Street. Went to look at a cow that is fresh on East main Street. she is too old for me. bought some rye straw from Nicholas Berry & brought five bundles with me in the evening. also bought tomato boxes of McNabbs. Republicans had a big demonstration in town tonight. Judge Ambler spoke in Concert Hall to a large audience. Aunt Margaret went to John Demings & stayed the afternoon & evening. I got home at ¼ past 11 P.M.

Oct 12 Quite a change in the weather since last night. This morning is already & threatens rain is much cooler. went to Sarah Bards in west part of town to repair some chimney tops, but it looked so rainy gave it up for today. Hauled some brick with Allan to help. Went to town after supper to hear some election returns & came home satisfied at midnight. the indications being that the Republicans have made heavy gains all over the state.

Oct 13 Built a chimney at Silver & Demmings in the forenoon. didn't feel well enough to work in afternoon & stayed around town till towards 5 oclock. caught cold last night I guess. take some hot tea & go to bed early.

Oct 14 Clear & warm until about 3 P.M. when it clouded up some before was raining. Didn't rain much but enough to stop my work in Uriah Rogers chimneys which I would have finished before 6. Went up to ____ where I found Sis & Bun. rode home with them

in the wagon. Aunt Margaret went to Harriet Arners & will stay all night. Mark hauled a couple of loads of coal which he divided between the brickyard, Steven Adams & Aunt Lib Wait. Cheering news for Republicans today. they having carried Indiana by a handsome majority.

Oct 15 Cloudy at times & pleasant. Finished at Uriah Rogers at noon. After dinner went to brickyard and loaded some brick. from there to Woodruffs Foundry and made them a proposition for building an addition to their works. Spent the balance of the day laying a pavement for Mrs. ____ & didn't get it half done. Went to town after supper hoping to get someone to help me but failed. Called at F. _____ and his daughter paid me balance she owed me $2.73. Am tired at 9 oclock and go to bed. Looks like rain.

Oct 16 Had a heavy rain before daylight & continued cloudy all day. Hauled some brick in forenoon & went to Fruit house & brought home my crates. Tried to get some satisfaction from them about my apples which they bought some time ago & which have been picked more than a week. They couldn't or wouldn't tell me when they would take them but promised to send me word when they were ready. Will have a better understanding with them before I sell them any more apples. Afternoon I hauled 12 bu of tomatoes to McNabb. Mark & Stephen picked them. got contract for putting up Woodruffs addition to their Foundry. Bought Ed. Pidgeons interest in the Brick just burned. will fix the matter Monday as there was nothing more than a verbal understanding between us. Received by Express a small bucket of persimmons sent from Louisville, Ky. by my cousin Mollie Enlow. The persimmons are in fair condition when they arrived, but some began to sour. I ate several of them and they have the old flavor. I used to be very fond of them when a boy. they grew profusely in southern Indiana where I was born, but I never saw any before in this part of the country, though I remember & have heard Uncle Howell say there was a tree near Salem many years ago.

Oct 17 Was up early & built the fires. Sis Howell & I went over to Uncle Tims and stayed till after dinner. I went over to Julias Coetters farm to look at some corn. also to Alex Robinsons to look at a colt which I think I shall buy. After coming home Will & I went out to Samuel Pattersons & I engaged him to help me to brick on Woodruffs job. stopped at Uncle Jesses and saw Mother a while. Much colder & a high wind from Northwest.

Oct 18 Quite cold & windy. Was very busy all day in town. Hauled some brick & helped Sam Patterson in some pavement at Mrs. Tober's. Ed Pidgeon came out in evening and we settled about the kiln of brick & they are now mine. gave $95.50 cash & my note payable May 12st 1881 for 200 dollars. Wrote to Lon Patterson asking him to come & help me on the Woodruff job. Mark & Steven dug our potatoes before noon & afternoon Mark hauled a load of boards to Woodruffs & some brick. A little warmer at bedtime.

Oct 19 Cloudy cold & disagreeable. snowed a considerable in the afternoon. Went to Wm. Browns in the morning & set a grate & finished my job there. He paid me all he

owed and $52.25. Afternoon Al & I hauled a couple of 1 horse loads of brick to Woodruffs. I then went down to Alexander Robinsons and brought home a colt I bought from him. a nice one I think. paid him 30 dollars cash. She is an iron grey and I have named her Belle. Mark hauled 2 loads coal. Nora goes (or expects to) to a dance in town. Wrote a letter to my Cousin Mollie Enlow.

Oct 20 Some warmer than yesterday, but still uncomfortably cool for out door work. We all hauled brick today. some to Woodruffs and 2 loads to Buckeye. Little Howell had the earache very badly this afternoon, but seems to have got over it in the evening. Read Harpers Weekly & Salem Republican.

Oct 21 Much warmer, but cloudy with some rain about rain. We all hauled brick & got along very well. Aunt Mary Gee & Mrs. Sarah Galbreath visited us today. Got a dispatch from Lonz Patterson whom I sent for to come & help me on the Woodruffs job. his telegram was not very satisfactory & I don't know whether he will come or not. Got the Tribune & read aloud a portion of Roscoe Conklins speech at Terre Haute Indiana. Paid $24.50 on Elizabeth Englands notes interest for one year. paid it to R. V. Hampson in Farmers Bank.

Oct 22 Cloudy & wet. very disagreeable. had 2 or 3 showers during the day. We hauled brick between showers. Mark got his horses shod in forenoon & after dinner he brought in some corn that Gibbons had husked & also hauled some pumpkins. Republicans are having a follification in Salemtonight over the results of the last elections. Governor Faster is there & will speak tonight. I went up town a while after supper, but soon got tired & came home before 8 oclock. As I write I can plainly hear the bands playing & men cheering. There must be a good many out spite of the inclement weather. Well, the Republicans have something to crow over & democrats are correspondingly downhearted. Charley shod all around & Betty in front.

Oct 23 Rained nearly all the forenoon. Took Sis & Howell to town on an errand. after bringing them home went to town again. got Dolly shod all around & intended to go to Jenkins Voetters sale, but it looked like clearing up & I thought best to go to work at Woodruffs after dinner. Steven Adams & I made a mortar bed & slacked a couple of barrels of lime and are ready for business Monday morning if everything else is favorable. collected some money. 33 dol of Ernest McMillan $22.58 of Mrs. Taber & 6.52 of John P. Hogan. paid Steven $6.55 still owe him for work done at W. Hunts & ¼ day at Woodruffs. Mark hauled a load of sand from Thos. Fawcetts & a load of sawdust for Mrs. Trimble. took some corn & oats to mill. 14 bu corn 8 of oats.

Oct 24 As usual on Monday morning I was the first one up. brought the cows & done the milking. after breakfast made 7 new mortar boards. Mark & I moved my desk into one downstairs bed room & I now have it snug & handy. Nora & Will went to Uncle Tims in spring wagon where they came home at 3 P.M. I took the horse & wagon and drove to David Yenglings but neither he nor his wife were at home. had a pretty cool ride. At bed time I think it is moderating some. Read some aloud from the Tribune in evening.

Oct 25 Clear & pleasant. Commenced laying brick at Woodruffs & got along very well. Sam & Lon Patterson helping me. Mark hauled 3 loads sand from Thos. Fawcetts & Allan with Dolly 3 loads of brick in afternoon. in the forenoon he gathered up some apples & put them in crates. Aunt Margaret is at Uncle Jesses & will stay all night.

Oct 26 Cloudy & wet. Rained slowly but steadily nearly all the forenoon. I spent most of the day at the building at Woodruffs & in the afternoon we worked 1-1/2 hours when we were forced to stop on account of the rain. Mark & Allan hauled some brick in afternoon. After supper Mark Allan & myself carried 2 Turkeys each up to Sam Groves grocery. I sold them to him today. I got 11 cents per pound for them live weight & they weighed altogether 67-1/2 lbs. they were all young ones. This is my 36th birthday & I received several presents. From my wife two new neckties & a knitted tally for my chair. from Aunt Margaret a pocket handkerchief & from Nora a very beautiful inkstand.

Oct 27 Cloudy without rain. Worked all day at Woodruffs. Mark & Allan hauled brick. Sis brought Aunt Margaret home from Uncle Jesses where she has been for a couple of days. Mother is also there & thought she would stay till Sunday.

Oct 28 We didn't lay any brick at Woodruffs today. thought I would haul our apples to the fruit house. Took one horse load. 22 bu. got there about 9 A.M. & waited till after 1 before I could unload. concluded not to take any more today. several wagon loads of apples were taken away this afternoon as their owners saw no prospect of getting unloaded before midnight. Allan & I put some of ours in crates & then hauled a couple of loads of brick. Mark hauled 4 loads sand to Woodruffs.

Oct 29 Worked all day at Woodruffs. Mark & Allan hauled brick. Sis Bun & Aunt Margaret went to town this afternoon & done some shopping. Nora has a bad cold.

Oct 30 Cloudy & wet. rained steadily from about 7 in the morning till nearly noon. After dinner it looked a little more favorable for business & we hitched up the horses & hauled some brick. did not think it worth while to start bricklayers to work. got 3000 to Woodruffs but it drizzled on us the last load. John Gaunt paid me 10 dollars he has owed me for a year. still owes me 3 dol. I paid Cook Sheppard $5.50 for wood, all I owed him. paid most of my hands at Woodruffs. pouring down rain at ½ past 7 P.M.

Oct 31 Cloudy & clear at intervals. rained some in forenoon. Mark Allan & I picked up balance of our apples. put them in wagons all ready to take to the fruit house early in the morning. Sis Howell & I went out to Uncle Jesses & spent the day. I walked back & stopped in town awhile looking for some help to haul brick. Mother came as far as Nina's where she will stay for awhile. Alice & Ernest McMillan, a lady friend of theirs & Bessie Rush are here this evening.

Nov 1 Clear & cooler than for some days past. Worked all day at Woodruffs. 3

bricklayers to work besides myself. Have not felt very well today & called on Dr. Firestone this evening for advice. Have not felt very well all day & last night a severe pain in my chest. feel better within the past 2 hours. Probably caused by a cold. Nora goes to a dance at John Demings. Little Howell has had a great time to day driving nails in a block. Sis says he can drive a nail right well & uses his left hand to do it. Mark & Allan got up before 3 oclock this morning & took balance of our apples to the fruit house. they were determined to be the first there & were successful & had a couple of hours to spare. Mark got home before 7 A.M. & hauled 2 loads sand before dinner. Allan didn't get home till after ten A.M.

Nov 2 Clear & very pleasant. Worked at Woodruffs & got along splendidly. National election today & if the weather is fine all over the country as it is here a very large vote will be polled. I voted the Republican ticket headed by James A. Garfield & I believe the Republicans will carry everynorthern state. Would like to go to town & hear the returns but am too busy & if I went would probably be too tired to work much tomorrow.

Nov 3 Partially clear & cloudy. quite warm & pleasant. Worked at Woodruffs, got along very well. got Ed. Pidgeon to open the new kiln of brick as I fear the old one will not hold out. _____ good news for Republicans. they claim every northern state. Walked home tonight & ___ _____.

Nov 4 Went to Brickyard early this morning & helped load 2 loads brick. then went to Woodruffs & worked till ½ past 11 when it began to rain. so we covered the walls & stopped. continued raining & wet all afternoon. I stayed around the building & used up some of the mortar that was left in the boards for fear it might freeze. bought a new trowel of Carr & Lesher. it was made by W. Rose Philadelphia & I think it a good one. Walked home through the rain. was tired but since supper am all ___. J. B. McNabb paid me for tomatoes $65.32.

Nov 5 Morning opened cloudy & wet looking, but soon cleared off & we had a splendid day. Got along very well with my building. Mark & Allan hauled brick in forenoon & afternoon Frank took Marks place & the latter hauled in corn.

Nov 6 Cloudy warm & in the afternoon very wet. Worked at Woodruffs till noon & if had not rained would have got the building to the square today, but as it was we were forced to cover the walls & leave. came by the brickyard & sold some brick. Paid John Snook $15.00 that Uncle Howell owed him. when I got home found that Sis Howell & Nora had gone to town in the carriage. they are having a wet time of it for while I am writing at 5 oclock the rain is just pouring. Paid all my hands off today which took over 80 dollars. still have a little left. Bro. Will & I walked up town after supper & went around to see Mother who is at Nina's. Rained on us all the way home but I had an umbrella Ready had to take it as the walk is too narrow for two to walk on at once. didn't rain very hard though. but the wind is blowing hard. Ephraim Bard paid me 3 dols for work done by D. Yengling.

Nov 7 Clear cool & windy. Mark Allan & I picked up our cider apples & turned our hogs in the orchard. I then took a walk to the woods. our wheat looks well. It was a little too cool for ramble in the woods which I should have like so I came home. found Julia Strong & daughter Lena here. They will remain all night. after dinner I walked over to Uncle Tims & was back before dark. found them well as usual. Had a pleasant walk. John Sheppard spent a portion of the day here.

Nov 8 Clear & pleasant, tho cool in the morning. Didn't make much progress with my building today as we ran out of lime got Jos. Koll to send to Leetonia for some & 5 barrels came on the local freight in the afternoon, but the brick layers had all gone but myself. Steven & I worked till night. Mark hauled in some corn this afternoon & brick this morning. David Lufton is shingling on kitchen. Wrote a note to W. L. Ripley Ellsworth. want the balance due me for brick work on the church I built there.

Nov 9 Clear & pleasant. very fine weather. got along very well at building. Mark hauled some brick & afternoon some corn.

Nov 10 Began to rain about half past 9 in the forenoon until which time 4 of us were working on the stack at Woodruffs. we were whooping her up too and could have finished before night if it had not rained. Hands all went home except Stephen & myself. we stayed around and got in 1-1/2 hours after it stopped raining about 3 P.M. in afternoon. Allan took Aunt Margaret over to Uncle Tims. Sis was in town a while to see Mother. I wrote a letter to Mary Teeters, West Liberty Iowa.

Nov 11 Clear cool & windy. Finished the brickwork at Woodruffs except some patching that I will do tomorrow. Will Nusbaum & Lon Patterson finished the stack in the afternoon & I am intensely glad that it is done. Chris Kinnaman played us a shabby trick and did not come back in afternoon. He was carrying brick & was probably afraid to carry up on the stack.

Nov 12 Clear & cool. walled up a window and did some other work at Woodruffs & settled with them. My bill was $675.00 which they paid by giving me a check for that amount on First National Bank. I drew $75.00 & left the balance $500.00 on deposit. Paid John Satterthwait 38.50 interest. Also paid some of my hands. Aunt Margaret came home from Uncle Tims where she has been for a couple of days. Nora & Ben went over & came home with her. Mother got a letter from Sister Fannie. Frank got a photograph of Miss Aggie Schell, Phil. Mark & Allan hauled in corn till noon & caught up with the Huskers. in afternoon Frank & Allan worked at Brickyard. put a roof over some brick & piled up lumber. Mark hauled some lumber from Woodruffs. Will & Frank Nora & Gertie Wait have gone to a Party at Pack Seeds.

Nov 13 Cloudy with some snow which didn't lay long on the ground. Allan & hauled a few brick. but it was most too disagreeable so we quit. Paid Allan off. as I do not need him of present. paid him 14.66. gave him 3.5 dollar bills & called it square. Allan is a good boy to work but does not take care of his money. Paid Magdelena Warner42

dollars interest. Went to town in afternoon & stayed till 8 P.M.

Nov 14 Was up first this morning. after breakfast took a walk over the farm. rather cool for walking. Sold 3 head of cattle to J. B. McConner for $100.00. Went with Aunt Margaret to our neighbor Gross's. Mrs. G. fell in the barn a few days ago & was badly injured. Dr. Rush who attends her thinks her spine is injured, but she hopes not seriously. Wrote a letter to May Teeters W. Liberty. also a note to Jas M. Kirk, Wheeling, W. Va. Wm. Hise & his brother in law Mr. Dow called in the evening on their way home from Franklin Square. Moderated some towards evening.

Nov 15 Cold & raw in forenoon. after mending the harness a little for Mark I walked over to Robert Tolertons. talked with him a while on business. Then went up town a while. Met Milton Davis who wants some brick at the Buckeye. After dinner Frank & I hauled them and Frank went for a load of coal for Dr. Sampsell. I went to James Cattels to look at a cow he has for sale but neither the cow nor the price suited me exactly. will look further before I buy.

Nov 16 Frank & I spent the entire day looking for a cow. went north & northwest of town. Saw a good many, none of which suited me until towards evening. I bought one of the wife of Ad. Davis near Davis Mill. paid 35 dollars for her without her calf which had been taken away a few days before. She is a peculiar looking & by no means a handsome cow, but she has the reputation of being a very good one. I led her home & was tired when I got here. Milked her after supper & was well pleased with the amount she gave. Frank & I took dinner at Samuel Pattersons.

Nov 17 Cloudy & pretty cold. snowed a little in the forenoon. Spent a large portion of the day in town. Tried collecting in the forenoon & my efforts were rewarded with one 5 dollar bill. Sam Patterson came out afternoon & looked at a colt I offered to sell him, but he did not buy. He has one that matches mine in color, but the two are not shaped alike. Loaded some brick for Elijah Whiner & he paid me for them. got the Republican & a couple of papers from West Liberty about a month old. Nora got a letter from Howell Hise & Frank one from sister Fannie.

Nov 18 Ground covered with snow this morning. snowed a little at times nearly all day. got considerably colder towards evening & at sundown the thermometer showed 18 above zero. Mark Bro Frank & I hauled some brick in the forenoon. a pretty cold job, but being in the business we must attend to it. In afternoon put some potatoes in the cellar which ought to have gone in a week ago. now I fear a few of them are frosted. Joel Stratton paid me 10 dollars still owes me 20. Jobby McConner took away another beef he bought of me. has one more to take yet. Little Bun told his Mother today that she had a "darned lot of shoes" & when questioned by her as to where he learned such talk said his Grandma Margaret said it. which is a joke on Grandma. Brought all our cattle in & housed them. too cold for them to be out. also put the colts in stable.

Nov 19 Clear & cold. Mercury at 8 above 0 at our house this morning. some places in

town was down to 0. Thawed a very little in middle of the day. I worked at the barn till noon fixing a better place for the calves. did not get done & put it off till tomorrow. hurt my thumb with the hatchet & am now crippled in both thumbs. one of them being very sore & I fear am likely to lose the nail. Went to town after noon. Borrowed Ed Leases horse & wagon & hauled 200 brick to Lease's Bakery. Waited till the mail came in evening & got the Dispatch & Ohio Farmer. Brought home a couple of caps for Mark & myself. Mark likes his and willtake it. I shall return the other to J. R. Oliphant & exchange. Stella went to Franklin by rail. Frank drove her to the depot. She expects to stay till Sunday. I paid John Gee $21.30 for lime & cement. all I owed him.

Nov 20 Fine winter weather. Made some pickle & salted the large portion of ¼ of beef which occupied nearly all of the forenoon. After dinner took a steer down to McConners which is the last of the 3 he bought of me. Paid me for them. Went to town afterwards. Paid Dr Rush as Executor of C. L. Church. 129.30 & lifted a note & mortgage. Mark & Frank hauled some straw to ____ Woodruff & some fodder to the barn in afternoon. Mark took a load of coal to Dr. Sampsell.

Nov 21 Clear & cold. Will & I went over to Uncle Tims & spent a portion of the day. Uncle T. has received from Washington City by way of Cleveland 17 fish (variety German Carp) which he intends to put in his fish pond. I hope he will ____ with them. Wrote a letter to Sister Fannie this evening. Weather is quite cold. at sundown the mercury was 8 above 0. Nora went to station to meet Stella at 4.47 but she missed the train at Leetonia & came up in a buggy & was very cold when she got home.

Nov 22 Clear & cold. Worked in forenoon at the Barn fixing a better place for the calves ____ _____ complete & they are comfortable. Went to town in afternoon. Firm Gee handed me $50.00 which was amt owe me from Ellsworth. Bought Dickens Foundry & Son of E. McMillan. in evening read a couple of chapters aloud. Cold & clear at bedtime. Mark & Frank brought a load of corn fodder from Rogers place west of Salem. some we got from Steven Adams.

Nov 23 Clear & cold. Melted a very little in the middle of the day. Very fine winter weather. roads good. Drove out to Jonathan Stanleys before noon but did not find himat home. Met him on my way back. Made an arrangement to meet him in town at 2 P.M. We met & I paid him 411.19 & lifted a note & mortgage for that amount. Left my measure for a new overcoat with Snyder & Heacock. Sis went to town with me & did some shopping. Bought a new dress for Mother . ____ I think. after coming home I went down to Mr. Gaileys & bought a pig of him. he has 2 and wanted me to take one as he will not find ready sale for it & did not want to kill but one for his own uses. Went on to Jacob McConners to see if he would butcher them for us tomorrow & he said he would do it. Mark brought a load of coal home afternoon.

Nov 24 Cloudy & warmer. began to snow in afternoon & at bedtime the snow is still falling slowly. Mr. Gailey & I drove our pigs to McConners first thing this morning & had them butchered. Mark brought cows home towards evening. Frank & I brought home

bull calf from Uncle Tims. afternoon I went out to Pattersons. Paid him 10 dollars of the money I got from Ellsworth. there is still due him on the job $24.82. Bought Nora home in the wagon. Read some in ____ & _____ after supper. Stella attends the Soldiers dance with J. McClinchy.

Nov 25 Thanksgiving day. Cloudy & moderately cold. moved some in forenoon & I guess all of last night snow is about 2-1/2 in deep but very dry and not good sleighing though a good many sleighs are out. our own among the rest. Frank & I with Little Howell went to town in the morning & I stayed till nearly noon. Frank afterwards took Nora to town & brought Nina & Mabel Garrigues out to dinner. We had a roasted turkey & we did him justice. John Sheppard was here & we looked for Uncle Tim & Aunt Mary Gee but they came not. It being Mothers 60th birthday we presented her with a very nice Merino dress pattern with which she is much pleased. Am happy to record that Mothers health is much better than last winter.

Nov 26 Cloudy & cold. Cut up & put away our pork that we have killed a couple of days ago. took sausage meat to M. L. Edwards, & had it chopped. Howell went with me. Mark brought home some chop from the Mill. Went to town in afternoon. called on Mrs. Waterworth who paid me 7 dollars she owed me. called in Philip Matthews widow & have a talk with her. we are owing her some. Nora & Frank go to a dance in evening. Mark took a load of coal to Robt. Justice.

Nov 27 Cloudy & warmer. Took a bed of straw to John Hencilwoods. afterwards took some lard & sausage to Mrs. Trimble for which she paid me. Went to town & spent the entire afternoon. collected a little money & paid Thos. Fawcett 10 dollars for sand. Brought home a new overcoat which Snider & Heacock have made for me. will examine it tomorrow & if satisfactory will pay them for it. 28 dollars.

Nov 28 Cloudy with a drizzling rain all day. Went over to Jont Evans a while in the morning. In afternoon took Howell up to see Dr Firestone as he seems somewhat amiss. Roads very slippery. Go to bed early.

Nov 29 Cloudy & raw. Went to town in morning. got some cement & stuffed rat holes in cellar. Mark looked over some of our apples. After dinner set a grate for Ben Casselberry. Bought the wood on a piece of land belonging to Jont Evans. Paid him 20 dollars for it.

Nov 30 Went over to the timber I bought of J. Evans & showed Steven Adams (who is going to chop for me) where to begin. Afterwards went to town. Bought a new ax handle & fitted it in my axe. took it to town to grind it, but Garrigues shop was not running & I left it at Lease's store. Had at talk with Mr. Gow who wants me to fill his ice house. was quite in the notion of doing it, but since I came home the folks have almost talked me out of the notion. Mark got his horses shod & afternoon took Sis Howell & Aunt Margaret to town. A little warmer this evening.

Dec 1 Partly clear & cloudy. thawed a little. Roads are covered with a sheet of ice. Rained & sleeted last night & then froze & a horse not well & roughly shod has no business on the roads. Went to town early in the morning and ground my axe at Garrigues shop. got Uncle Tim to make me an iron wedge. In afternoon went down to J. Sells Milldam where Jacob McConner is cutting ice. wanted to see the modus operandi. Do not think it very much of a trick. Went to town and told D. C. Gow I would haul his ice for $1.25 per load & I pay for the ice at the dam. He to put it in the ice house. He accepted the proposal & I agreed to begin loading Friday morning ifthe weather favorable. Bought a cross cut saw of Kirk Allen & Thomas for Steve Adams. Paid 3.50. Mark hauled a load of clay to Buckeye.

Dec 2 Cloudy & moderately cold. melted some in middle of day. Got Dolly & Mr. Kirks horse shod. the latter I have hired to help haul ice. brought up one load from Rays dam this afternoon. Settled with Barber & Robinson. they paid me $23.34 for 93 bu apples. Do not altogether like the way they done business & do not care particularly to trade with them again. Brought home a pair of cushion seats for our spring wagon. J. Garwood had them made for me. Bought a knit jacket of Jasper Carson for 1.50 & I like it much. Mark hauled a load of clay to Purdy & Baird & a load of coal to Robt. Justice.

Dec 3 Warmer than for some days past. Mark & I both hauled ice to D. C. Gow. Also got 5 loads up and another as far as home. Saw Wm Hinchcliffe & got the promise to help us tomorrow. Thawed a good deal today. Julia Strong visited us.

Dec 4 Clear & cold in the morning. sun shone warm & toward noon the ice had almost melted off the roads so that a sled did not run very well. clouded up in afternoon & at 6 P.M. is raining. I did not haul ice in afternoon. for we were very much concerned about Howell whose feet & hands were very much swollen. when I came in at noon I started immediately for Dr Firestone who came out & after examining Howell didn't seem to think it anything serious & said he thought he would get over it. He seems better in the evening & is sleeping normally. I sang him to sleep with a song of the old Mississippi. We race between the Eclipse & the A. L. Shotwell. He likes to hear about steam boats & I suppose I like to sing about them. Went to town in evening a little while. got a letter from Wm. H. Kidd of San Francisco, Cal. involving P.O. money order for $27.34. The amount of a note given by him to D. H. Hise.

Dec 5 Raining when I got up at 6 oclock. quite warm. Howell seems much better this morning for which I feel truly thankful. cleared off some & was warmer & windy all day. After dinner went with Aunt Margaret out to Hannah Whites. She has lately returned from a visit to West Liberty. She told us about our friends there & brought some little presents for Howell from Teeters young folks. Afterward took Sis & Howell for a ride. Sara McMillan & Alice & Miss Furly were here this afternoon. also John Sheppard. Wrote a letter to Wm H. Kidd, San Francisco, also to W. C. Hutcheson Salem.

Dec 6 Cloudy & much colder than yesterday. froze nearly all day. Took a wagon to

town to have a new brd put on it. ran several errands in town & collected or rather got a money order cashed 27.36 from W H Kidd for the ____. Afternoon went down to Sells dam to see the ice. think it will do to haul tomorrow. clouded up & is snowing more this evening. Howell is sitting on my lap as I write. he has been trying his hand with the pen & makes very good looking letters, but still one can make out that they are letters. Aunt Margaret & Sis went to town this afternoon. Rec'd a card from Buckeye Engine Co. They want more soft brick.

Dec 7 Cloudy & cold. Hauled a load of brick to the Buckeye & then hauled in . Little Howell did not seem so well this afternoon & I went to Dr Firestone again. He told me that what ailed him was a disease of the skin. a very uncommon one & told me the name of it but I have forgotten it already. He said it would probably run for about 3 weeks & was not considered dangerous. We all feel more comfortable about Bun now & he seems to feel better tonight. but his feet & hands are considerably swollen. We put in 7 loads of ice today & have 2 more in the road in part of farm.

Dec 8 Cloudy & cold. very stormy a part of today. but we stuck to the ice & altogether got 12 loads in the ice house. Hinchcliffes team hauled 3 loads. J. Webb 3. & Mark & I each 3. I have another as far as the house. Quite cold tonight.

Dec 9 Cloudy & very cold. Too cold for me to be out for I got a severe pain in my head caused I suppose by breathing the cold air. Had to quit hauling ice at noon & suffered a good deal in afternoon. Howell was also quite unwell & about 8 P.M. we sent Will up with the buggy and he brought Dr Firestone out. Buns hands & feet were very much swollen & he seemed to suffer a good deal. He was asleep however when the Dr came. He says he understands his disease (___ of the diseases of the skin) and that it is not at all dangerous tho very troublesome. Bun is sleeping soundly at 10 P.M. & I hope he will awake in the morning feeling much better.

Dec 10 Was not out of doors today except one trip to the barn but it is much warmer than yesterday. Howell is very much better today & he & I have had good times together playing cards. Am wonderfully glad to see him so much better. I awoke with a pain in my head & was very sick for a little while. At night am much better. Will _____ some with the ice today as Stephen Adams did not come & work. some of his teams were forced to drawoff. Mark hauled a load of coal in afternoon & also brought in some fodder. Frank drove the teams I have been driving & got up 2 loads of ice. While I am writing Bun is by my side waiting to write a letter to Kriss Kringle.

Dec 11 Warmer & more pleasant. Feel better today and have been to town a couple of times. drove down to Sells where my hands are cutting ice. gave them some money. Got in today 16 loads of ice. When I came home in evening found Mrs. Lizzie Goucher here. she will stay over night with us. Paid J. Oliphant $2.50 for a cap & Kirk Allen & Thomas 3.50 for saw. Howell seems much beter.

Dec 12 Stayed at home all day. Mrs. Goucher remained with us & will stay tonight.

Had several callers during the day.

Dec 13 Cloudy raw & damp. Mark & Frank hauled ice but had to have all their horses shod all round as the roads are very slippery. I spent most of the day in town. did a small job for Dr Firestone in afternoon. went over to neighbor Gross & got him to haul ice. he went right at it and got in 2 loads. Got 50 dollars from Ellsworth church left with Firm Gee. Paid Steven Adams $8.00 all I owed him. Mrs. Goucher went home this afternoon. Uncle Tim & Aunt Mary Gee called this afternoon. Borrowed a book (Vanity Fair) of my sister Nina Garrigues. got a letter from Uncle Geo Hise W. Liberty Iowa.

Dec 14 Cloudy warmer & wet. had one or two showers of rain & a drizzle most of the day. Nina Garrigues came out & spent the day with us. I took her home in afternoon. hauled no ice today.

Dec 15 Very pleasant winter weather. went to town a while in the morning. Afternoon took Aunt Margaret up town. she went to a party at B. C. Gilberts & had a very pleasant time. I brought her home in the evening after I came from New Lisbon, where I went to pay our taxes which are very high this year. Paid for the half year $132.98. Norman Garrigues came home with me. he has been helping W. G. Bentley in the Treasurers office. I also paid McMillans Tax which for the ½ year was $69.94. After I came home and got my supper I carried 6 chickens to Mrs. Trimbles. they sent out for them. am tired when I get home.

Dec 16 Cloudy but pleasant & fine winter weather. Got Gows ice house full & some left over in the alley. I spent most of the day in town. David & Mary Yengling were here & the latter stayed all day. They talked some of buying a home and I went with them down to Gibbons and showed them that house also looked over the ground. Paid Mr. Grass 5.20 for hauling ice. also paid Allan $5.00.

Dec 17 Pleasant winter weather. Dug up & took to E. A. Lease & Co. two dozen cabbages. got 7 cts per head for them. also took several small ones. gave some to my sister Nina Garrigues & some to other friends. Afternoon took Sis & Howell over to Uncle Tims & stayed a couple of hours. The roads are splendid & we all enjoyed the ride very much. got home a little after 4 and I went to town a while, but did not accomplish anything of account. Paid Wm. Lele $15 dollars for hauling ice all I owed him. also sent the money by him to pay what I owed for the ice at the dam. Paid Warner White $2.50 all I owed him. D.C. Gow paid me $20.00. still owes me $90.00. Came home at 6 P.M. & found Little Bun sound asleep. Mark & Frank hauled some straw to Firman Gee & some fodder into the barn. Read the Tribune.

Dec 18 After a trip to town went over to Uncle Tims. took a crock over to be filled with lard for Mrs. Trimble. After dinner went to town & stayed till 8 P.M. D. C. Gow Paid me 10 dollars for ice account. Mark hauled a load of coal for Steven Adams.

Dec 19 Somewhat cloudy, but cold & fine winter weather. was up moderately early &

spent the day at home except a trip to J. McConners towards evening. Howell has been real sick this evening with croup or something akin to it. at 9 P.M. seems better & hope he is. Aunt Margaret & Nora visited at Uncle Tim's today. We had no company. John B. Marshall Died. Also T. J. Keene.

Dec 20 Began snowing about 9 A.M. and at night the snow is still falling though not as fast. Took our hogs down to McConners immediately after breakfast. He butchered them for us & Mark hauled them home this afternoon. I intended to cut them up this evening but they are too warm. Hauled 250 brick to J. M. Pure. Settled with W. C. Hutchison owed & Paid him $13.00. Called on Jackson Cottin & got him to reduce interest on note we owe him to 7 per cent instead of 8. Brought Dr Firestone out (after taking Mother to Nina's) to see Howell who was quite unwell in morning. Doc gave him some medicine & in evening he seems much better, for which I am truly glad.

Dec 21 Cloudy & moderate. Worked at our butchering & got along pretty well. (Will who didn't work at the shop) helped me also Frank. Mark hauled a couple of loads of coal and (slack) home & coal to Dr. Lampsell. John B. Marshall & Thomas J. Keen were both buried this afternoon. Sis Nora & Will went to town after supper in the sleigh & have not yet got back. Bun is better.

Dec 22 Cloudy & warmer. Worked some at the butchering. Howell was not so well & I spent a portion of the day with him. Went to town in afternoon. Buckeye Engine Co renewed a note I have of theirs to the 14 of April next. the note called for 1000 dollars with interest for 6 mo. I had a credit in their book for $86.05 cents & the new note calls for $1100.00 & they find me $16.05 in money. Also collected some money at Silver & Deming. $37.10. Paid Levi Straley for hauling ice & Frank $10.00. Mark hauled a load of slack for Jas. Kirk. took some wheat to mill & took our sausage meat to be chopped but Mr. L. Edwards was away & we brought it home again.

Dec 23 Cloudy. cold & at 4 P.M. snow began to fall & at bed time still continues. Took our sausage to Mr. L. Edwards and got it chopped. sold 17 lbs to Mrs. Trimble together with 24 lbs lard which I got at Uncle Tims. looked at a horse which Geo Green (colored) wants to grade me. I in turn showed him to Chas. Garwood who wants a horse. none of us have traded yet. Took some sausage & spareribs to Aunt Lib Wait & some to Nina. Nora spoke in school today an extract from Dickins Cricket on the Hearth. Mark hauled a load of coal home and one to Mrs. Matthews. Sam Eltons wife was buried. Got a card from Buckeye Co who wants some brick.

Dec 24 Cloudy without snow. Moderately cold & fine winter weather. spent almost the entire day at home taking care of Howell who is not at all well. We are deeply concerned about him but hope for the best. Went to town towards evening & brought home some Christmas presents I had bought for the folks. Howell having taken a nap in afternoon did not go to bed until late & of course I could not fill his stocking until after he was asleep. He finally encountered the Drowsy god and Kriss Kringle went on with his work. He also got very sick at the stomach and vomited like everything, but felt better afterwards.

Dec 25 Christmas morning & a very fine one at that. Santa Claus was very kind to all of us & fairly overwhelmed Little Bun with toys Books & etc. and he is enjoying them very much. Nora & I went to town and brought home oysters & crackers which I bought of D. C. Gow & Co. After dinner Sis Howell & I went up to Nina's a while. came home & done the milking. Read the Tribune etc. Snowing at bedtime. D. C. Gow paid me $28.50. gave it to Frank for me.

Dec 26 Cloudy & damp. moderately cool. spent the entire day at home. snowed about 1-1/2 inches last night & I was up early and swept walks around the house. Aunt Margaret Nora & Will went over to Uncle Tims this afternoon. in evening I walked up to the post office just for a walk. Miss Deborah Bowman was buried this afternoon. she died of paralysis.

Dec 27 Cloudy with considerable snow. spent most of the day in town. Had Dr Firestone come out to see Bun as we thought he was not so well tonight. he seems much better & I fervently hope will continue to improve until he rejoins his accustomed vigor. We gave him a warm bath this evening. I was looking around for a trade of some kind today but didn't quite make it anywhere. Saw Sam Paterson in town & paid him as 20 dollars that I had for him from our job at Ellsworth. also paid Thos Fawcett 5 dollars I owed him for sand. still owe him 3 dollars. Mark hauled (Frank to help him) 1600 well brick out to Geo. Nusbaums. Snowed a good deal this afternoon, but at 10 P.M. has cleared off & I think will get colder.

Dec 28 Cloudy and much colder. Mercury down to 2 below 0. snowed some. Went to town in forenoon & intended to go back after dinner, but Howell seemed so unwell that I stayed at home with him. I think he feels better this evening. Cannot use his left hand as well as usual & I think he must have sprained it a little. Mother got a Christmas box from Cousin Mollie Enlow, Louisville, Ky. There was also in it some presents for Howell & Mabel Garrigues. for Howell 2 very nice books some glass Marbles etc. Mark hauled a load of coal this afternoon.

Dec 29 Very cold. Mercury at 4 below 0 at 7 A.M. at our house. at some places in town it was colder. spent the forenoon in town. Tried to get R. Jobes out of the notion of moving out of our store room, but I fear I talked to no purpose as his wife he says is determined to move, while he wants to stay. in afternoon I fixed a smoky chimney for Dr. Rush by taking out of it 10 buckets full of brickbats, soot, mortar & other rubbish. the accumulation of years. after I got done made a fire in the grate & it went off splendidly. a better fire he said than had been there for 15 years. The idea of having a smoky chimney for 15 years & not cleaning it out. Didn't go town in afternoon, as Howell seems so poorly. his hands & feet are very much swollen again & I begin to think that Dr Firestone does not understand his disease & if he does not get better soon will change physicians. He ate a pretty good supper & went to sleep very nicely & at 8 P.M. is sleepingsoundly. Stella with J. McCricky & a couple of others went to Leetonia in a sleigh to attend a fair of Catholic church. When they started the mercury was at 8 below 0. Do not envy them

the ride.

Dec 30 Lordy but its cold! 10 below at 6 A.M. & after I had gone to town I heard that at some places in & near Salem it was down to 16 & 17 below zero. cold all day tho of course it moderated some. Went to town a couple of times but didn't do much good that I know of. Called on Dr. Firestone and told him how Howell was. He thinks he fully understands his disease & I hope he does.

Dec 31 Clear & cold, tho warmer than yesterday. Reports from all sections of the country of very cold weather & in some locations Wednesday night was the coldest on record. Had a long talk with Richard & Mrs. Jobes endeavoring to persuade them to remain in our store room. think I left them very much in the notion of doing so, but cant tell what may happen between now and Sunday when they are to give a decision. Robert Hole is doing his level best to get them to move into one of his new rooms and he is aided by the neighboring storekeepers.

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Jan 1 Clear cold and pleasant. A very fine day for the 1st of the new year. Went to town twice, but did not stay very long either time, as Howell was not so well without me. He is very uncomfortable tonight. has fever & his feet itch & trouble him a great deal. I had Dr. Firestone come out this afternoon but he could see nothing new in Bun's case. How I wish he would get better. Paid Thos. Fawcett 3 dollars all I owed him. Mark did nothing.

Jan 2 Clear warmer & quite pleasant. Stayed at home all day & took care of Howell. Had but one or two callers. Mr. Gibbons came up & we looked over an account for the first year. We settled to the 1st of Jan 1, 1881 & he owes me to that date $17.32. How he will pay it I as not know, as he has hard scratching to get along. Ernest McMillan called in afternoon. Bro. Will took Dolly & the sleigh & went to Aunt Uras. Saw 2 Robins in the walnut tree.

Jan 3 Clear warmer & pleasant. Went to town twice. Richard Jobes agreed to stay in our store room for another year from the 1st of next April & we signed an article to that effect. He is to pay 350 dollars per year for the store room above & if they stay in the upstairs room after the 1st of April next will pay so much for mo. He offered me his last quarters rent (as did also E. A. Lease) but as I am not needing it particularly now told them they might use it for a few weeks. Rec'd a catalogue from Jas. Vick Richard N.Y. a very nice one. Rode out home with David Straley. Am happy to record that Howell is better tonight.

Jan 4 Cloudy & tolerably warm. sowed heavily nearly all the afternoon, and at bedtime the snow is still falling. Went to town this afternoon & came home mad. There are some men in town in whose garden I will put a stone if I ever get a chance. Rented one of our upstairs rooms to Mr. Bushing. (H. Judds carriage _____) for 40 dollars per year. rent payable monthly in advance. Had a talk with Ed Lease relative to the store room he now occupies, but come to no definite understanding. Mark hauled a load of coal this afternoon to Dr. Joseph Sell. Howell seems better tonight & I am very glad of it. I have first put him to sleep on my lap. If he was well seems to me I would be perfectly happy. anyhow he's better.

Jan 5 Cloudy & damp. foggy in the morning. Sent for Dr. Rush and he came out to see Howell in the morning. Left some medicine for him and said he would come again tomorrow. I rode to town with him and went over to Woodruffs Foundry where they want me to do some brickwork. I fear I shall not be able to leave home just now on Howell's account, but will get some body to do the work for them. Mark hauled them a load of sand & in afternoon a load of coal for Phillip Matthews widow. Stella is quite unwell. has a cold & very sore throat. this throws the burdens of house work on Aunt Margaret who is scarcely able to bear it. Nora & Frank go to party at Eli Fawcetts

tonight. They go in the sleigh and carry an umbrella as it is raining some. I had a string of sleigh bells made. bought 11 new ones and used 30 old ones we had. Had them put on a new strap & they sound very nicely.

Jan 6 Cloudy & damp. snowed a little. rained a little & drizzled a little. spent most of the day at home. going to town a while in afternoon. Hardly know what to think of Howell & cannot say whether he is better or not. at 6 P.M. I have just put him to bed & hope he will get a good nights rest tho I do not expect it. Dr Rush was out this morning. Rachel Gee took dinner & stayed a portion of today with us. Mark & Frank hauled a load of brick to Woodruffs in morning & afternoon Mark took a load of slack to Steven Adams. Cooler at night.

Jan 7 Have not been out of the house enough today to pay much attention to the weather. However it snowed some and has been cloudy & moderately cold. Howell passed a very restless night last night & seemed to be suffering a good deal of pain. we thought & still think he had ear ache. He was crying when Dr Rush came at 10:30 this forenoon, and was feeling very badly. Dr. gave him a little medicine of another kind. Bun went to sleep in less than 3 hours. woke up feeling & looking much better & I feel greatly encouraged & hope he will keep on getting better. Mark and Frank hauled 2400 brick to Woodruffs this forenoon, and after dinner Mark a load of coal for Stephen Adams. Frank took a sleigh ride.

Jan 8 Very pleasant winter day. Howell slept better last night than he has for weeks before & today we feel much encouraged about him tho he is still far from being well. Dr. Rush was out again today & thought Howell was doing very well. Had a good many callers and in afternoon Bun got very tired. found him asleep when I came home at 5 P.M. Was in town a part of the day. went to Woodruffs Foundry where I have some one at work. they finished setting the boiler & some patching. Have still much work there that can wait till a more suitable time. Paid Jerry Lucy$3.50 & gave him credit on account with 4.00 gave D. Yengling $2.00 & S. Adams $2.50. Mark hauled Brick & sand to Woodruffs & a load of coal home.

Jan 9 Cloudy & warmer. began to snow about 3-1/2 P.M. and comes down lively for a while. spent most of today at home. walked up to Dr Rush's after dinner & told him that Howell seemed better. He (the Dr.) was not out today. Howell rested very well last night & has felt better all day tho he is still quite puny looking & feels weak. Aunt Margaret & Nora took a sleigh ride this afternoon. Went to Hal Arners.

Jan 10 Cloudy and considerably colder than yesterday. Must have nearly all of last night as the snow is quite deep. This morning up to my boot tops in the level. Mark hauled wood while Stephen Adams is chopping. I went along the first load. Afternoon I went to town. D. C. Gow paid me $29.00 & I agreed to take the other dollar he owes me in oysters. He has done pretty nearly as he agreed to with me & has paid me better or sooner than I feared he would as I had been told he was hard pay, but if others were as good I would be satisfied. Mr. Bushing also paid me 3.50 for rent till first of Feb. I paid

Jos. Koll 6.00 for lime used at Woodruffs. Will Davis paid me 75 cents for sausage & tried to jew me down on the price of brick. I am finishing them soft brick for use in the Foundry at 5.50 per M. which is as low as I can furnish them and have any profit. once if they don't want them at that price let them do better. I am determined to set my own price on my own property. Frank goes with sled load of youngsters up to Canfield or Boardman. Sleighing is grand. Brought Nora home from school in the sleigh. Bun is getting along alright I hope & believe.

Jan 11 Partially clear and cloudy, quite foggy & cold in the morning. very fine winter weather & the sleighing about as good as can be. stayed home most of the day. Making a short trip to town in the afternoon. Sis quite unwell. sore throat & not very well besides. Called on Dr Rush and got some more medicine for Bun who feels tolerably well this evening having slept a good deal during the day. Bought a new lock and put it on door between parlor & bedroom.. the old one refused to work. Mark hauled a load of coal & a load of stack home. It is taking an immense amount of coal to keep us warm this winter. Frank got home from his sleigh ride about 6 this morning & said some of the girls nearly froze. Mercury was below zero.

Jan 12 Splendid winter weather, tho cold. Cloudy tonight & looks like more snow. Went to town a couple of times. hauled some brick. Mark & Frank took 1 load to James Robbins well & 1 load to Buckeye Foundry. in afternoon Mark hauled a load of coal. Sam Patterson bought 1500 Brick & hauled 1000 of them. Got a long letter from my cousin Aaron E. Hencilwood who is living at St. Joseph Mo. Has been there for a number of years & is conductor of the St. Ive & Denver R.R. He tells me he is married & enjoys married life. I am very glad to hear from him & will answer soon. Frank goes a sleighing.

Jan 13 Cloudy warm & in afternoon wet. rained slowly & melted ice & snow considerably. put in most of the day in town. getting water pipes fixed in Trinity Block & clearing ice & snow from roof & spouting. didn't get home till after dark. got a letter from Uncle Geo Hise enclosing a Money order for 10 dollars, rent from my home in West Liberty. Mark hauled a load of coal & some wood.

Jan 14 Clear & cold. turned cold in the night & the morning opened very cold & blustering. Worked most of the day at Judge Laubins repairing a cistern in his cellar. had a very comfortable place to work. Mark hauled some wood & coal & took some buckwheat to mill. clear & cold at night.

Jan 15 Cloudy with considerable snow in latter part of the day. Went to town some to Woodruffs Foundry and promised to do some work for them next week. Mark went to his Nephews Dennis Lyons.

Jan 16 very pleasant winter day. Cloudy but no snow, just moderately cold. stayed at home all day. Little Geo Gibson came after he had been to Sunday school & stayed till after dinner. He and Howell had a good time together & we are all glad he came. Howell is better in afternoon. Scott Allison & wife & her 2 sisters, Mrs. Riggy & Mrs. Griffing

came out. Had a very pleasant little visit with them. I do the feeding & milking as Mark is away. He got back before dark. I am reading "Vanity Fair" during my leisure moments & am much pleased with it.

Jan 17 Cloudy & pleasant winter weather. Worked at Woodruffs Foundry building an oven to do _____ in. also done some repairing. Mark hauled some fodder and some wood. Aunt Margaret took a ride to town and brought Nora from school this afternoon. Sis also drove down to Woodruffs & brought me home to dinner. The ride was good for both of them. Will write a postal to Uncle Geo Hise.

Jan 18 Worked all day at Woodruffs & finished my job. Sis rode out in the sleigh & brought me home to dinner. Weather very pleasant & sleighing never was better. Think Howell is getting along all right. stopped at Dr Rush's this evening and got him some more medicine. He goes to bed early tonight & I hope will sleep well. Mark hauled wood this forenoon and in afternoon a load of coal for Mrs. Matthews. I went to see Stephen Adams this evening who is quite sick with Enzsifelus. gave him a couple of dollars on account. he has been chopping wood for me. Frank is working at N. B. Garrigues shop stacking for Joe Duck.

Jan 19 Cloudy & warmer. drizzled some & melted the snow a good deal. there is however a considerable amount of snow yet on the roads. Mark & I hauled a load of brick to J. Robbins well. got a box of E. A. Lease which I want to fill with products of the farm & send to my Uncle John G. Enlow Louisville, Ky. Wrote a letter to Uncle Geo Hise. Stayed at home most of the day. Sis drove over to Uncle Tims a while. afternoon Aunt Margaret & Stella went to town. Will & Nora go to a dance in Columbiana tonight. Mark took a load of coal to S. Adams. Robert Hole paid me 120 dollars on acct.

Jan 20 Cloudy & much warmer. snow melted a good deal. hauled a load of brick to Jas. Robbins. Afternoon I put on a couple of chimney tops at Archie Cooks house & cleaned out a dirty chimney at Geo Streets. one of those sweet jobs that I love as well. was covered with soot and ashes from head to foot, but finally got cleaned up before supper.

Jan 21 Cloudy & wet. stormed all day. in the morning rain and afterwards snow. Attended meetings of the Agriculture Institute in Town Hall. There were two lectures (one in forenoon & one in afternoon) by Mr. Chamberlain which were well worth listing to. The first on Fertilizers & 2nd on Ohio Homes & Farms. He also gave a lecture in the evening (or was to at any rate) but it was so stormy and such hard walking that I turned back after getting nearly up to Mr. Kirks. Think I can profit much by what I have learned today and am much interested in the subject.

Jan 22 Cloudy & wintry. snowed some & is some colder than yesterday. took Aunt Margaret over to Uncle Tims & afterwards attended a lecture in Town Hall on Tile drainage of land by Mr. Chamberlain. In returned to go to the Institute again in afternoon,

but Aunt Margaret & Nora are both away & thought I would come home and stay with Sis & Bun. Rode out with Ed Pidgeon behind a young colt he is breaking. Mark brought a load of coal in afternoon. Pretty cold at night, but not nearly so.

Jan 23 Cloudy with some snow first. finest kind of winter weather. Went to town at 10 A.M. & brought my niece Mabel Garrigues out. Afterwards went over to Uncle Tims & stayed till after dinner. brought Aunt Margaret home & took Mabel to town. She was much tickled to have so nice a sleigh ride & the sleighing is certainly very good. Rocked little Bun to sleep and read the Farmer & Tribune.

Jan 24 Moderately cold & some snow fell. spent most of the day in town. solicited names of farmers to call for a Farmers meeting in Town Hall on February 5th for the purpose of organizing an Agricultural Institute. Loaded some brick & collected some money. Paid A. B. Pidgeon $11.72 all I owed him. Woodruff & Sons Paid me 66.35. G. Nusbaum paid me $10.00 on acct & Ben Trimble paid me $4.68. deposited $100.00 in 1st National Bank. Wrote a letter to Uncle Geo Hise

Jan 25 Went to town in the sleigh in forenoon. Met Asa Allison coming out to see me about some brick. loaded a load for him & one load for another party. got the money for all of them. In afternoon took a maul to Samm Eltons shop and got a handle part in it. also got log chain repaired. in evening went with a sled load of folks out to Uncle Jesse's and had quite a fine time. about 70 people were there old and young. had a fine supper. oysters & etc and didn't get home till after midnight.

Jan 26 Weather some colder & blustering windy & etc. Mark and I went to the woods to cut some saw logs. & came to the house. Went to town in afternoon. called at J. Hillis by request of his folks. they think some of buyinga house & lots. Wrote a letter to A. E. Hencilwood St. Joe Mo. Ed Rukinbrod paid me 3 dollars on order from S. L. Baker. bought some sugar. pretty cold tonight.

Jan 27 Quite cold. went to town pretty early this morning. saw Mrs. Hillis who asked me to wait till Saturday before she could give me a final answer as to whether they will buy the property they talk of. I think they will buy it if they can borrow the money. This afternoon I got ready & sent by ____ Express a box weighing 88 lbs to my Uncle John G. Enlow Louisville Ky. the box was filled with products of our farm. a ham, some dressed chickens, sausage, grilled pork, apple butter, beans, diced apples, buckwheat flour, Butter & some cured pumpkin sent by my sister Nina Garrigues. also wrote him a letter all of which I hope he will get & enjoy. Mark took some corn & oats to mill for cow feed.

Jan 28 Weather very fine for winter. sun shone brightly for a while but did not melt the snow much. Went over to Uncle Tims and brought Aunt Mary over with me. she had not been out of the house before since October. took her home in afternoon & think she enjoyed the ride & visit. Was in town a portion of the day, but nothing of importance happened that I know of. Mark hauled some wood & took a wagon wheel to Samuel

Eltons for repairs. Also got our bobsled repaired some. Excellent sleighing. Settled with D. F. Yengling owed & paid him 3.78.

Jan 29 Weather some warmer. Spent the major part of the day in town. called on Ms. Hillis who told me they would have to give up buying our house on Foundry Hill. Took Wm & Charles Koll to look at it. They will give a decision next week. Called (by request) at Benford & Baxters who would like to have the room now occupied by Richard Jobes. We did not arrive at any conclusion as it takes two to make a bargain & I propose to have a part of it to make. Met Mrs. Smith (mother of Flo Johnson) in the street. she is stopping at her brothers (P. A. Larubie) & wishes to make us a visit which we shall be glad to have her do. Aunt Margaret & Nora went to town in sleigh this afternoon. Met Mr. Tucker Agent for Commercial Nurseries Rochester N. Y. Wanted to sell me some trees & I brought a catalog home with me to look over. Warmer & snowing at bedtime.

Jan 30 Much warmer & rained a little this morning. Nora took Stella to Church (Catholic). Park & Albert Yengling came out & stayed till 4 P.M. Their parents had gone to see sick relatives. Julia Strong & Lena were also here this afternoon. I was up town a little while called to see Stephen Adams who is still quite sick with enysipelas. Ought to have written a letter or two today but neglected it. Snow has melted a good deal but there is still considerable amount left on the ground.

Jan 31 Cloudy & colder. snowed some towards evening. Went to town in forenoon. ordered some fruit trees of Mr. Tucker Agent for Commercial Nurseries Rochester N.Y. ordered 18 plum trees, 6 cherry trees & 12 peach trees, which are to cost 15 dollars. Made out & will keep a description of flowers & cherries as taken from catalog. Brought Mrs. Mary Smith (Mother of Mrs. Flo Johnson an old friend of ours who lives in Iowa) home with me from her brothers Judge Laubic. Mark hauled some manure from Firm Gees & spread on ground where I want to plant trees.

Feb 1 Very stormy & cold. snowed all day at a furious rate. cleared off about dark and at 8 P.M. the stars are shining brightly. I returned to go over to Uncle Tims this evening by invitation, but Frank fooled around in town so long that he & I did not go. Will Stella & Nora went in the sleigh. got a letter from Cousin Mollie acknowledging the receipt of the box I sent Uncle Geo days ago. they were much pleased with the contents.

Feb 2 Clear & very cold. Took Nora to school in the morning & afterwards took Auntie Smith over to Uncle Tims. came home in latter part of afternoon. brought Nora home from school & brought B. S. Ambler out to acknowledge a deed we have been making for Thomas Sharps lane. after getting out here Ambler seen that he has made a mistake in the writings and all will have to be done over. took him back to town again & called at Lease's to have a talk with them. but failed to arrive at a decision. Mark hauled a load of clay to Pottery & hung our meat in the smoke house. Am glad to get home after being away all day.

Feb 3 Clear & cold. Took Mrs. Smith out to Hannah Whites in the forenoon & back to

P. A. Laubis in afternoon. Brought Mrs. Phinney out to see Sis & took her home again. Drove over to Uncle Tims & stayed a few minutes (business). Called at Victor Stove Foundry by appointment & bargained with Wm. & Chas. Koll to sell them (or him Wm) a house & lot on Foundry Hill consideration $825.00 cash. Also got Leases to a focus & they have agreed to keep the store room they now occupy for 2 years from 1st of April next. I am to put in some shelving & mortar etc. Newspapers are drawn yet in either case, but I presume the bargains will be _____. Got a letter from Geo B. Ababbak of East Palestine giving his explanation of a little matter between us. Will look it up when I have more time. didn't get home till after night. took supper at Gows Restaurant. Mark hauled a load of coal home.

Feb 4 Cloudy & cold. Took Nora to school in the morning & spent the forenoon in town. Tried & come to an agreement with Bueford & Baxter about renting the room now occupied by R. Jobes. we couldn't agree. Called on Mrs. Magdalina Warner in matter of business in afternoon. set a grate for Archie Cook, but it does not suit me & will try it again tomorrow. Got the Tribune & read it some. Mark assorted apples etc etc & in afternoon hauled a load of coal for Mrs. Matthews.

Feb 5 Not quite so cold. Saw Mrs. Warner again & she thought she would take the money for her note instead of renewing mortgage so all hands are _____. B. J. Ambler came out & we acknowledged deed for house & lot we are going to sell to Wm Koll. also deed for T. Sharps lane & am interested in _____. Frank is not well & has not worked today. Robert Hole paid me 15 dollars on acct. still owes me $7.00. Stella went home to stay till tomorrow. I took her to depot in sleigh. Farmers had a meeting inTown Hall, which I did not attend. Called for another meeting in 2 weeks & adjourned. Mark hauled load of coal.

Feb 6 Clear & bright. some warmer & snow melted some in places exposed to the sun. Took Howell up to see Mother who was much pleased to have a visit from him. He was also glad to get out. the first time in nearly 2 months. Went up to see Stephen Adams towards evening. he is getting better. Went to Post Office and got Harpers Bazaar. Bro Frank not well. Stella got home at 4:37 P.M. Has been a very fine day.

Feb 7 Clear & warmer. very pleasant day. George Albert Hise was born a little before 5 oclock this morning & all is well with Mother & child so far. I say George Albert as Sis has offered to let me name him. I am still willing to defer to her if she has a choice of names to suit her better. George is after my Uncle George Hise, my Fathers youngest brother & Albert is after my respected friend Albert Teeters. both of West Liberty, Iowa. The two men are wholly different & both have had their ups & downs in this world, but if my son, their namesake, shall live to mans estate, I can ask nothing better for him. Than that he be patient, loving & kind as the case, honest, upright & true as the other. Got a letter from Aaron Hencilwood St Joseph Mo. enclosing a picture of his wife. very glad to get both. Gave to Wm Koll the deed for property he bought in Penn St. & he gave me the money for the same. Paid Mrs. Magdalena Warren $562.44 & lifted a mortgage for nearly

that amount. 50 dols of what I paid her not being received by mortgage. Left $300.00 in deposit in Farmers Bank. Dr. Lampsell paid me 10.00 on coal acct. still owes me 2.75. Talked with Dr Anthony of Cleveland who thinks of locating in Salem. talks come of renting rooms in Trinity Blk. Little Howell seems real well & he & I took a walk to the Barn. Am truly thankful that he is improving so much. Wrote & mailed a letter to Albert Teeters. Mark hauled in the balance of our corn fodder.

Feb 8 Cloudy warm & wet. rained nearly all day. Went to brick yard in morning and loaded 500 brick for Buckeye Co. Milton Davis came out to see about them. Afternoon went out to Sharps Foundry and settled accounts with Thomas Sharp. a job I almost dreaded. it was an acct of more than 15 years standing between Uncle Howell & Thos Sharp. I spent most of the afternoon there & we finally came to an amiable settlement. We gave him a deed for a lanefrom his farm to public record & also Quit claim deed for our interest in old Broad guage property on Depot street. He gave me receipts in full of all accts between Howell Hise & himself & also between himself & I. also gave me his interest in the organ we have. Mark not withstanding the slow & steady rain hauled a couple loads of coal. Sis & the children are getting along splendidly. Met John Jones in town. he was here attending the funeral of his sister. Margaret E. Jones who died in Pittsburgh. I had not seen Johnny for 6 years & he is much larger than when I saw him last. Poor fellow. I am sorry for him. Tho I know he has not made the best of his affirmaties.

Feb 9 Cloudy and wet. rained slowly & steadily all day. Stayed at home all forenoon & went to town after dinner. got my umbrella fixed & sent a photograph of Howell & myself to Albert Teeters. Began a letter to my sister Fannie but did not finish it. We are all well & getting along nicely.

Feb 10 Partially clear & cloudy. warm & snow melting very fast. Water running everywhere & streams just booming. Sis's 38th birthday. Started down to Jess Gaunts to set a grate. took dinner at Uncle Tims & instead of going to Gaunts. Want to as started to go to the _____ of a terrible explosion which occurred in a coal mine near Teegardens Mill. got as far as B_____ & met there a man who had just come from the mine. found out from him all about the accident & think I could do no good by going further. The explosion was caused by fire ____. 6 men were killed outright and 2 or 3 others wounded. 6 escaped. Was up town a while but did no good there except to buy some beef. Mark hauled a load of coal.

Feb 11 Cloudy & damp, chilly atmosphere. Went down to John Gaunts & set a grate for him. he was not ready when I got there & I did not get through till nearly 5 P.M. got home before 6 and found all well. got several papers. Among them a new publication called the Rights of _____ _____. I suspect tho & have only _____ it is published in Salem. Nora attended a lecture in town by Dr Willits of Philadelphia. got a postal card from Dr Anthony of Cleveland wants to see me when he comes to town tomorrow or Monday.

Feb 12 Cloudy & blustering. snowed furiously for a little while in afternoon. Helped Mark take a small load of straw to J. M. Woodruff. Went to town in afternoon. saw Dr. Anthony but failed to rent him an office. he preferred a room in Gurney Block. R. Jobes paid me $100.00 he owed for rent to the room. I deposited it in 1st National Bank. Am not well. have a cold.

Feb 13 Cloudy windy & cold. snowed all day at intervals. Have not been out doors all day except to milk. have a cold & feel miserably. Frank drove up in afternoon & brought Nina & Mabel Garrigues out & took them back again.

Feb 14 Cloudy and moderate. stayed at home all day. am considerably under the weather with a cold. Howell is also unwell & we had Dr Rush come out to see him this evening. Neighbor _____ called in afternoon & we had a very pleasant chat. paid him $10.00 all I owed him for threshing. Mark took some grain to mill, wheat corn & oats.

Feb 15 Have not paid much attention to the weather today and have not been out of the house except to do the milking. Mark brought a load of coal after noon.

Feb 16 Cloudy & somewhat windy. snowed considerably last night. Have felt better today but have nevertheless stuck pretty closely to the house. Washed the cradle and tonight Little George is sleeping in it. hope he will like it. Aunt Mary Jesse spent the day with us. we were glad to have her. We are all invited to a surprise party at Furman Howells but so many of us are unwell that none went. Sis sat up most all day

Feb 17 Bright and more pleasant than yesterday. Had a call in the morning from D. McMillan & John Taylor who are carp_____ want to do some work that I have under consideration. Have felt better today and went to town in afternoon. Aunt Margaret and Howell went with me & paid Mother a little visit at Sister Nina's. After coming home I went with Nora down to McMillans a little while. Nora had made a little present for Alice McMillan, who is 20 years of age today. Mrs. Gross called to see Sis this afternoon.

Feb 18 Cloudy and wet. disagreeable snow fell very fast in the morning but soon the snow turned to rain. I went to town in the carriage together with Nora & Mark, the one to school & the other to get old Charley shod. I went to see Stratton & Daniel about lumber & while there made out an estimate & gave them a proposal for some work they contemplate having done. also saw Pack Seeds and got him to make out a bill of lumber for shelving & etc in Leases Grocery. Got the Farmer and a West Liberty Enterprise, also the Rights of Man paper published by Thomas Sharp advertising Greenback principles. I may be (probably am) very dull & cannot see how an inflation of the currency would help the country any. Sis getting along finely & goes out in ____ soon.

Feb 19 Partially clear and cloudy & pleasant. Went to town in the morning and did not

get back until 4 P.M. Attended meeting of Farmers in Town Hall an organization was effected with John Pow Chairman and Ashbel Carey Secretary. speeches were made by Bofterson Corruthers Supt of Salem schools James Whinery & others & at half past one the meeting adjourned to meet again next Saturday. I then went to the planing mill & took Paskel Seeds with me to see Stratton Daniels Lumberyard and ordered lumber for shelving in Lease's storeroom. Got a letter from Sister Fannie was glad to get it. Mark brought a load of coal & I think we have enough to see us quite a while. David & Mary Yengling called in my absence. Bought Howell a toy which pleases him much.

Feb 20 Very pleasant today, somewhat cloudy but neither snowed nor rained. took a walk out to the lane and stepped off a part of a field where we think of sowing Hungarian grass. after dinner walked to the woods where I have been having wood chopped. went from there to town. called on Stephen Adams who has been sick for several weeks. he is getting better & is able to go about some. Nora & Will went over to Uncle Tims and took dinner there. Mrs. Phinney who has been here since Little George was born left this evening. we did not expect her to go till tomorrow, but Mrs. John Waters wanted her & we consented for her to go as Sis is getting along real well. Mrs. Phinny is I think a very good woman & a competent nurse. We like her very much.

Feb 21 Cloudy raw & damp. snowed a little in the morning. Was in town most of the day attending to various matters. loaded some brick for Emmor Campbell. saw some members of town council & the Mayor & got their consent for a cheaper rent of Town Hall for Farmers meetings. went to planing mill where Pack Seeds is doing some work for me. Mark hauled out manure in ground where we want to sow Hungarian grass. Folks at home getting along only tolerably well & I wish Mrs. Phinney had stayed a while.

Feb 22 Partially clear and cloudy. warmer with cold wind from southwest. Went to town directly after doing my chores. loaded 750 brick for Emmor Campbell. got Dolly shod all round & then with Uncle Jesse went to Alex Robinsons sale. took dinner at Uncle Tims and didn't get home till 4 P.M. A good many were at the sale & things sold well. I bought a collar for Betty & an inch auger for myself. The folks got along very well in my absence. The young folks attend the "Grand Camp Fire" in Concert Hall under the auspices of Grand Army of the Republic, in honor of Washingtons birthday. should like to go myself, but do not think best to. Our white cow has a fine calf. Mark hauled out manure. Phoebe (Hise) Hencilwood died at West Liberty Iowa at 9 oclock this morning.

Feb 23 Cloudy and cold. very cold it has seemed to me but I have not looked at the thermometer. Went up to set a slate mantel for Archie Cook. Geo Nusbaum is helping me. He took dinner with us. We did not finish our job as we were bothered some & had to wait on carpenters. Loaded some brick for E. Campbell & a few for H. Kaiser. got a letter from Uncle Geo Hise. Aunt Phebe Hencilwood has been very sick & when Uncle wrote her recovery was doubtful. He also sent tax receipt for my property in West Liberty $9.22. Will Frank & Nora went over to M. L. Youngs to spend the evening. very cold tonight.

Feb 24 Cloudy and Cold. Finished at Archie Cooks. loaded 2 loads of brick for E. Campbell. did some running about in town in the afternoon. Bargained with Christ. Kinnerman for the first kiln of brick he makes this season and am to have the privilege of taking 300 thousand if I want them at $5.17 per M all round. Want a written agreement with him, but don't know whether I can get it or not. Will and I drove up town after supper for some things for the Baby. Was glad to get home. a miserable night to be out. snowing & blowing.

Feb 25 Clear & bright. warmer than yesterday. loaded some brick for E. Campbell & he paid me for all he has got $27.50. Got a barrel of cabbage ready & took it to Leases. got 2.00 for it. Aunt M rode up with me & made some calls. Got news from Uncle Jesse of Aunt Phebe's death.

Feb 26 Partially clear & cloudy. warm & pleasant. spent most of the day in town. in forenoon attending to some business & in afternoon attended Farmers meeting. Officers were chosen for a term of six months and a discussion on making, saving and applying manure was held. John Pow was elected President, Ed. Hise Vice President, Ashbel Carey Secretary & John Tercher Treasurer. I think the association could have done better than to make me its Vice president, but as I am interested in having the thing go on I did not like to refuse to be a candidate. A constitution was adopted & everything put in proper shape. The officers were elected by ballot. Mark hauled 3 loads manure from town. Called at Dr Grissells and had a talk with her. She was out to see Sis & the Baby this forenoon. Roads are somewhat sloppy but still very good.

Feb 27 Cloudy warm & wet. Brought Mother home from Ninas where she has been since the middle of December. Took Howell with me & he was much pleased to have the ride. Began to rain soon after noon & rained steadily for several hours. went up town a while after dinner. called in at Bare greenhouse & chatted with Josiah for an hour or so. he gave me a pretty bunch of flowers which I brought home to Sis. Ernest McMillan & Johnny Sheppard called in afternoon. Frank sang in Methodist church today.

Feb 28 Cloudy cold & stormy. snowed nearly all day. Repaired our horse wagon churned & did other chores around the house. Went to town in afternoon. bought some stuff for counter top & looked after some other things. bought a new skillet & wash basin. Mark hauled manure from barnyard. Wrote a letter to Sister Fannie.

Mar 1 Cloudy cold & stormy. snowed nearly all day. Spent the entire day in town. got the carpenters to work in Lease's room. Mark hauled the lumber up after taking a couple of bed ticks to Geo Chessman. after dinner he hauled 20 bushels coal for G. Woods who has been chopping wood for me. Bargained with J. B. McNabb to raise for him 2 acres of tomatoes. Made out an estimate for brick work for Byron Amblers new house. Am some tired at night, walked a good deal.

Mar 2 Clear & bright, warmer than yesterday. spent the entire day in town over looking work in storeroom. Went to Kinamans brick yard with an article of agreement which

Christ. signed. rode out home towards evening with Arthur McMillan. his horses paid us a visit today and tramped our front yard all to smush. damn em. I wish they would keep their stock at home. Two rival sewing machine agents were here this afternoon and talked so much that Sis was forced to go to bed. neither sold a machine but each left one & promised to call again. I shall try to be absent. Mark hauled out manure.

Mar 3 Cloudy and stormy. began to rain about 4 oclock this morning, since turned to snow & whew? how it came down. snowed at short intervals all day. I stayed up town till nearly 8 P.M. waiting for someone to come for me, & would have stayed all night rather than walk home. Mark came up for me & I am home in time to rock Howell to sleep. He sat up for me. Little Geo is pretty fretful but nothing serious ails him I guess. Rented an upstairs room over Lease's store to Mr. Turner, one of the proprietors of the Bone Mill. turns $3.5 per mo. Nora stays all night with Clara Street. Bro Will is quite unwell has sore throat etc. Mark cleaned out hen house etc etc.

Mar 4 Cloudy & pretty cold. did not thaw very much today. spent the forenoon at Lease's room. came home to an early dinner. Austin Walker & a friend of his Mr. Pettit I believe called & took dinner with us. Mr. Gibbons was also here. he and Mark cut & hauled to the mill a few saw logs. Afternoon Aunt Margaret & I attended the Whittier Banquet at the High school room in Salem. we had a very pleasant time. the Banquet was given by the Senior Class of the High school & the class contains 4 young ladies. Mary Cutter, Clara Street, Jessie Rush & Nora Hise. The entertainment consisted of recitations of Whittiers Poems & extracts from the same & Prof Carutthers Principal of the Salem schools read a letter from the Post, a very pleasant letter giving a short sketch of his life and work etc. The Singer Machine man brought out another machine today and took the old one away. Bro Will is still pretty sick.

Mar 5 Cloudy & pretty cold. Carpenters got shelving pretty well along, but are not yet done. attended Farmers meeting in afternoon. had a very interesting time. the making of maple syrup & sugar & tile draining were discussed & commented on by most of the members present. I did not get home till after 6 P.M. Mark is not well tonight. he & Samuel Gibbons cut some chestnut trees today. Will is better.

Mar 6 Cloudy & warmer. snowed some. spent most of the day at home. Mark is not well, so I did the feeding milking etc. Stellas father was here this afternoon & wanted Stella to go home with him as her sister is sick. she will probably go tomorrow. I walked up to brickyard after dinner. stopped at Ed Rups & had a short talk with him. Wrote a note to Jos M. Kirk. Arth & Ernest McMillan called.

Mar 7 Clear and warmer. very pleasant in middle of the day. snow melted a good deal. Mark & I hauled 2 loads of brick. in afternoon I took Stella to Franklin square. she goes to stay a few days with a sick sister in Leetonia. we can hardly spare her but presume they need her worse. when I got home found 4 sewing machine agents here. They seemed anxious for a settlement of their difficulties so we bought a Singer machine & settled it. gave 85 dollars cash & our old machine.

Mar 8 Cloudy & moderately warm. rained some. was in town most all day. Carpenters were fitting drawers which Seeds & Young made a botch job of. made them all too large & they had to be planed off. got them all fit finally. Paid for our new Singer sewing machine ($85.00) Got D. Warrington to turn some acorns for ornament in Leases storerooms. took job of building chimneys in B. K. Whites new house. got a letter from John Teeters W. Liberty Iowa. Frank not well & didn't work today. Howell is also unwell tonight, is very short breathed, but does not seem feverish. has a cold I think. Mark is also under the weather, but is better. Mother not so well. Thank fortune, Aunt M. Nora & Sis are still pretty well & I hope we all shall all be sometime. Drizzling at bedtime.

Mar 9 Cloudy damp & disagreeable. ground was covered with snow this morning, but it soon melted off. The carpenters finished the shelving this forenoon & went to the planing mill to work on the counter. We hauled the lumber for top of counter from Silver & Demings. went to the planing mill this afternoon & loaded some brick & knocked about in town. Mark drove up for me towards evening. Had Dr Rush call today (on his way from McMillans) to see Howell, who was quite unwell last night, but is better tonight.

Mar 10 Clear & pleasant in the sun. Hauled stuff for counter from planning mill up to Leases room. one of the carpenters left this morning & but one is left to work. Geo Fleck promised to help but did not come near. bought a keg of 8 penny nails for 4 .00 paid my bill at Kirk Allan & Thomas'. bought a pair of shears & trimmed evergreen hedge on one side of the yard. loaded some brick. Mark hauled 3 loads of clay to the pottery. Sister Nina came out in afternoon & I took her home in spring wagon.

Mar 11 Clear & pleasant in the sun but cold in the shade. hauled a load of brick & this afternoon Mark hauled a load of clay to the pottery and also took some corn and oats to mill. Went by request of J. C. Boone to his office and had a talk with him. he wanted to know whether some compromise could be made that would enable Richard Jobes to leave one storeroom which he now occupies & has rented for one year June 1st of this next. I said what I have said to Jobes before that if a satisfactory business at a satisfactory rent could be secured I am willing to let Jobes go not without. came home at 8 P.M. stopping at L. Schillings who wants some brick. trimmed some hedge on north side of yard and amused Howell till suppertime. Howell is not well but is sleeping nicely at 7 P.M. Nora goes to a dance with Sturgeon. Levi Strabley hung his meat in our smokehouse.

Mar 12 Cloudy and wet. rained slowly greater portion of the day. was in town nearly all day, helping what I could with the new counters for Leases room. Geo Fleck who owes me 7 or 8 dollars promised to come and help but failed to keep his word. Settled with Chas. Leaf & left an order with E. A. Lease for the amount I owed him 9.20 the same to be taken in groceries. J. Barber came out home with me in afternoon to look at a rifle I have to sell. the gun suited him but the price 15.00 did not, so we could not trade. took a

basket of cabbage to Leases for which I got 80 cents. Bought some coffee etc. in the evening read in Tribune about Garfield's inauguration as President of the U.S. If he makes as good a president as did R. B. Hayes the country will be satisfied. All men are liableto make mistakes, but Hayes is honest.

Mar 13 Cloudy & wet with rain & more snow which did not lay long on the ground. took a walk over to where I am having some wood chopped & got rained on some coming home. Aunt Lib Wait & Gertie spent the day with us. we were pleased to have them. Nora brought them out & took them home with Dolly & the carriage. Mother is not as well & has not been downstairs today. Wrote a letter to _____ Sheckler & Hoover Bucyrus, Ohio about a Brick & Tile machine. another of our cows (cherry) has a calf. Howell seems better tonight.

Mar 14 Cloudy & chilly. spent most of the day in town. hauled a few brick. Bought some moulding from planing millfor counters in Leases room. carpenters are getting along very well. J. Morlon is helping. Mark took and plow to the blacksmiths shop for repairs. brought home chop from mill. His brother Pat was here today. I. Crumrine was out to look at a cow I have for sale but did not buy her. Rented the store room now occupied by R. Jobes to F. Alexander of Pittsburgh. He intends to put in a stock of ready made clothing etc etc. We went into a written contract which is at Ambler & sons office. The room is to be fixed up some & I made arrangements with Morlan & White for the painting calcimining etc. Am wonderfully tired tonight. did not sleep well last night. Sis got letters from Uncle Fred and Mary Sheets.

Mar 15 Clear & pleasant in the sun. Walked up town in the morning. Bun & Sis came up in the buggy and I rode home with them. Am quite unwell. consulted Dr Firestone & got some medicine from him. Have a severe pain in left side & stomach fully deranged. Mother got a letter from Sister Fannie. Mark cleaned out old hotbed & hauled a 20 bu coal for Dr. Sampsell. Bob Ford cleaned out privies at storerooms & hauled contents to Farm.

Mar 16 Partially clear & cloudy. Not feeling well did not get up till nearly 8 oclock. spent most of the day in town but am woefully tired at night. Painters got to work at Leases & John Taylor finished carpenter work. Wrote a letter to F. Alexander of Pittsburgh in response to one he sent to C. H____n asking for changes in shelving in storeroom. Bought 1 bushel clover and 3 pecks timothy seed. 2/3 bu bluegrass & 1 bushel redtop cost altogether $9.50. also bought 8 milk pans & ½ doz cups & saucers. Settled with Purdy & Baird. they paid me _____ cash & 70 cts worth of milk pans. Paid Robert 2 dollars for cleaning privies. Mark boated up some stone for foundation for coal house.

Mar 17 Cloudy & somewhat wet. rained some in the forenoon. Stayed at home most of the day. was in town a while in afternoon. Trimmed one of our grapevines & sat in the house most of the time. wrote a couple of letters & sent tomato seed in each one to Uncle Fred Sheets Washington, Iowa & the other to Uncle Geo Hise W. Liberty. we were much

pleased to have a call from Miss Emma Procity of W. Liberty. She & her Mother whom I knew in Iowa are visiting near Salem. they will both call if possible before leaving Ohio. Sold a cow to Wm. Morris who was here before breakfast. got 40 dollars for cow & the calf, but took the calf back at $1.50, it being worth that to us. Wm. will leave the cow here till Monday. Read the Tribune & being a Republican am much pleased with Mahones action in U. S. Senate. seems to me to be the entering wedge in a breakup of the solid south. Think I feel better tonight though my side is still quite painful. Mark boated stone.

Mar 18 Cloudy & clear at intervals. Trimmed grapevines this forenoon & afterwards went to the woods & showed Saul Gibbons some trees I wanted out. then went to town a while. bought some tea & meat. also got a new bottom in ____ bucket. do not feel well tonight tho I have felt better all day. had the most severe spell of coughing last night I ever remember to have had. Mark got up some more stone & boated some logs for fence posts to the mill. Frank works till 12 tonight. they want to repair corn oven tomorrow & Sunday.

Mar 19 Cloudy with some rain. stayed at home all day. was not well enough to go anywhere or do anything. Aunt Margaret went to town in afternoon. Mark went with her. he got Geo Nusbaum to do some work which I promised to do for Silver & Deming tomorrow. got a letter from A. H. McClure of W. Liberty Iowa wanting a man to take charge of ____ing house. wrote a letter to my Uncle John Enlow Louisville, Ky.

Mar 20 Cloudy & blustering. snowed at intervals all day. at home all day. had no callers. read the Farmer & discussed farm topics with the women folks. Have felt better today & hope to improve right along. wrote a letter to H. H. McClure of West Liberty. He is Sec. of the company organized there for the purpose of packing canned goods. Ernest McMillan called & spent the evening.

Mar 21 Cloudy with some snow but did not freeze any. Went to town in after noon behind Dolly in spring wagon. roads very muddy. found that the painters had finished in Leases room & it looks very nicely. bought some pulls or handles for the drawers & will put them in tomorrow if I feel well enough. Saw Mr. Kirk & had some conversation with him about a thoroughbred Devon calf that he thinks of trading for. Perhaps I shall get it from him if the price be not too high for me. Wm. Morris came out this afternoon & he & Mark took home the cow Wm. bought of me. he paid me $30.50 & still owes me 8 dollars. Mark put the calf in a box in the stone boat & the cow followed tho somewhat reluctantly. brot the calf home again. Mark also took home Mr. Kirks meat which we smoked for him. Nora is sick with headache.

Mar 22 Cloudy chilly & raw. snowed some & was quite disagreeable out of doors. have been in town all day. put the handles on drawers in Leases store. Sold some butter & eggs to John Dellenbaugh. 30 cts per lb for butter & 14 cts for eggs. Mark filled and took to F. Kesselmiers 2 bed ticks. cleaned trash out of room up stairs in Trinity Blk which Mrs. Jobes rents for storage some for household goods. Jobes is moving his store. has most of his goods out. Saw the painters today & want to begin operations there

tomorrow. getting ready for new occupants. cold at night & will freeze. the roads are terrible & in the morning will be almost impassable (or even _____) I judge.

Mar 23 More pleasant than yesterday. the raw & cold where the sun did not shine. spent the major portion of the day in town. just up an old store in Jobes room that I borrow from R. Hole. Got a telegram from F. Alexander giving some explanations about changes in the room. Engaged Seeds & Young to do some carpenter work. Mark sowed some clover and wheat & this afternoon hauled 20 bu coal for G. Woods (colared). roads are terribly messy. Brought home Howell lot of small paper boxes from empty storeroom. They pleased him wonderfully. Took my supper early. toast & tea. Hired Myron White to work for us this coming summer.

Mar 24 Don't warm up worth a cent. was cold enough all day to make an overcoat feel comfortable. went down to the saw mill this morning & marked some logs we have there. thought we could have them sawed at any time, but found that the mill is out of repair & awaits the pleasure ___ _____ to Thomas Sharp to fix it before any sawing can be done. Mark hauled in the balance of logs we have cut. this afternoon he scattered some manure in the garden etc etc. I put in the afternoon in town. collected rent of E. A. Lease & Co & paid Jackson Cotton $110.00 interest. Morlan & White washed ceilings & walls in extra room ready to calcimine.

Mar 25 Clear & warmer. most like spring of any day for sometime. roads dried a little. Mark & I hauled some lumber from planing mill & afterwards some brick. this afternoon Mark took manure in the garden for hotbed. put it in stack to heat up. I stayed in town all day. carpenters got along very well in storeroom. moved the shelving out 7 inches. Painters got 1 coat of Kalsomine on walls. New schoolhouse was dedicated today, but I did not attend the exercises. Nora was there I think.

Mar 26 Cloudy & cold. froze very hard last night & will do so again tonight. did not thaw much today. Was in town all day. at the store room where things are approaching completion slowly. Lent our rifle to Jacob Barber who has some notion of buying it & wants to try it first. Sold short horn belonging to James M. Kirk to David Whittaker. he paid me 2 dollars to find the bargain & is to take the bill from L. Pattersons where he is now, about the 1st of April. wrote a letter to F. Alexander, Pittsburgh informing him of progress we are making with the store room. Mark hauled some logs to saw mill 2 of which were too heavy for the horses & he got Sharps oxen to haul them. Have felt better today than for sometime past. hope it will last. Had Dr Rush out to see Howell who is ailing again. He pronounced his disease "Irothena (or something like that) something between enysipelus & telter caused by indigestion. Howell has played around all day & I have just rocked him to sleep. Paid Chas. Koll 4 dollars rent of house & collected for them. this makes 7 dollars I have given him. Little George is exercising his lungs. He is real well except I suppose a pain in the stomach. Very few people in town today owing to the bad conditions of the roads.

Mar 27 Clear & warmer than yesterday. although a cold wind blew from the north all day. was at home all day. Had few visitors. Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Wilson, Mrs. Emma Wilson & two sons. Aunt Lib Wait, William & Libbie Hise & son Walter. we were glad to see them all & had a pleasant time. Thomas Wilson brought to us the news of Mr. John Gordon's death. He died suddenly last night. He was an old & valued friend of my wifes Father & Mother. Arthur McMillan was here a few minutes in the evening. Mark & I put manure in hotbed & put sash on.

Mar 28 Warm & kind of pleasant in the sun. Went with Nora to Dr. Sampsells office where she had an aching tooth extracted. Hauled some brick in afternoon. Mark repaired fences. Sarah McMillan called in afternoon. Sis has a bad headache & goes to bed early.

Mar 29 Cloudy & stormy. snowed nearly all day. when I went to town after dinner I took my rule and measured the depth of the snow. it was 1-3/4 inches. in latter part of afternoon it snowed more & at bedtime cloudy & looks like more snow. Was in town all day. Mr. Alexander, who is to occupy the storeroom came with his family on 4:37 train are stopping at American House until Mrs. Jobes vacates the premises they have rented. Mark hauled 20 bu coal in forenoon & helped Mr. Gaily move in afternoon.

Mar 30 So stormy a day as any we have had during the winter. snowed all day & tonight the snow is still falling & the wind howling. Was in town all day & did not get home to dinner. dined at Hawkins Restaurant. Aunt Margaret spent the day at Aunt Lib Waits, had a carpet rag cutting. This afternoon bad as was the weather Mark moved household goods for Dr. Sampsell. I rode home with him in the evening & he afterwards took Nora to town & brought Aunt Margaret home. All three of the young folks go to a Phantom dance in town. Got a letter from James Kirk. wants me to look after a Bull which Bill Gow now has but wants to get rid of. Mother got a letter & some fine flowers from Sister Fannie.

Mar 31 Cloudy & stormy. snow fell slowly all day. Attended with Aunt Margaret the funeral of John Gordon. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, there was a large number of his friends present. The funeral discourse was given by Mr. A. B. Bradford of Enon Valley Pa. It was a presentation of the life of the Spiritualist (which Mr. Gordon was) the subject was handled in a masterly manner & to me was very interesting. If I had the belief set forth by Mr. Bradford today I should feel perfectly happy & contented so far as immortality is concerned but I need more convincing proof of then I have yet got & perhaps I may get it. When I have a chance & share not thrust it from me. Remarks were also made by John Deming Jacob Heaton & Mrs. Ann Clark all old friends of Mr. Gordon. After bringing Aunt Margaret home & getting dinner, I went back to town where I stayed till 6 P.M. & rode out with Arthur McMillan. Mark was again in the moving line. finished Dr. Sampsell & Andrew Gailey. Read the Tribune.

Apr 1 Weather was a repetition of yesterday & the day before only was a good deal colder in latter part of the day. snow fell slowly most of the day. Went to town in the sleigh in the morning. selected paper for 3 rooms in No 25 Trinity Bl. in afternoon Mark

& I hauled a couple of loads of brick to Purdy & Bund & brought home more lumber from town. in forenoon Mark hauled 2 loads coal, one for Mr. Gailey who paid me for it and also for moving his household goods.) & the other for Jas. Kirk. Nora & Aunt Margaret went to Uncle Tims this afternoon. had a stormy ride but got home safely. Folks are moving into Mr. Gaileys home & as they come from Hanover they could not return tonight. several teams came together & we are keeping 4 of their horses. Nora got several teeth filled this forenoon by Dr. Sampsell. Mr. Alexander began to open his goods, but his rooms are not yet ready for occupation.

Apr 2 Cloudy & cold. no snow tho today. Mark and I hauled a load of brick to Purdy & Baird. sledding was pretty good. Went to town in the sleigh after dinner attended Farmers Meeting. Mark brought a load of coal for Dr. Sampsell. Nora was at the dentists most of the day & had several teeth filled. got them all fixed but one. Freezing some tonight.

Apr 3 Cloudy & warmer than yesterday, snowed some. Went horse back over to Uncle Tims where I stayed till after dinner. come home by way of town. G. Hawn was out this afternoon to rent a house. have not yet consider to let him have it. had no other company today except Myron Wait who comes to work for me. He & Nora & I have been singing ____ _____.

Apr 4 Cloudy & cold. snowed some in afternoon and was anything except a fine spring day. Was in town all day at the store room. bought some lumber for a partition upstairs and have a couple of carpenters at work at it. Sis went to town this afternoon & made some necessary purchases. Election today for Councilmen & Township officers & also 2 members of school board. took but little interest in it. Mark hauled a load of sand from Fawcetts bank & a load of coal for Lee L. Adams. General James B. Weaver late Greenback candidate for President. speaks in Concert Hall tonight. I should like to hear him, but the weather is too disagreeable for me to turn out. Have not felt very well today anyhow. Will freeze hard tonight.

Apr 5 Cloudy and cold. thawed some in warmest part of the day, but the morning was very cold & stormy. The wind blew the snow about making it very disagreeable out of doors. Mark & I hauled 2 loads of brick to Wm Koll on Foundry Hill & Mark brought 2 loads of coal, 1 to S. Adams & the other home. Threw what money I had in Bank & paid on note held by Dave Crumrine $500.00. Lent Mr. Alexander $50.00. Sold 3 pecks of white beans to E. F. Lease & Co. for 1.20. got my heavy boots half soled. Myron drove up & brought me home, also Nora from school.

Apr 6 Cloudy and cold. snowed some & thawed but little in warm part of the day. Was in town nearly all day, but came home in time to do the milking as Stella went home to stay a few days. The New York Clothing house is getting in shape for business and the Manager today engaged Thomas Sharpnack for salesman. Took dinner today at Sister Ninas. Mark hauled a load of coal.

Apr 7 Clear & warmer than for some time past. Spent the day in town, but did not accomplish much. Mark hauled a couple of loads coal. Bought a pair of overalls at the new storefront.

Apr 8 Clear & pleasant. Sowed tomato seed in hot bed. greased the wagon & did chores about home till dinner time. Afternoon Myron & I hauled brick with one horse. Mark hauled a load of coal to clothing store & a load of saw dust to Mrs. Trimble. Sister Nina was out in afternoon, and got nearly swamped in snow bank. I bought a new rocking chair for Mother for $5.00 Set a hen on 11 turkey eggs.

Apr 9 Partially clear & cloudy. drizzled again a little in afternoon. Hauled 2 loads brick in forenoon. Had a tooth drawn by Dr. Sampsell am glad its out. Mark hauled coal & saw dust. roads very muddy.

Apr 10 Clear & tolerably pleasant. rather cold wind from north west. sun shine bright & the mud dried up a good deal. After breakfast took a walk over to where I am having some wood chopped & from there to the saw mill where neighbor Gr___s was boiling sap. had a pain in my left side whichgot worse & was glad to get home where I have stuck all day. Had no company except John Sheppard what was here a while this afternoon. Stella came home on 4:37 train. She feels rested up but got very lonesome at Franklin.

Apr 11 Cloudy the major part of the day. some warmer than yesterday. Had a severe coughing spell last night & consequently did not feel very well this morning. Went up town. saw Eugene Suliot & his wife & had another talk with them about a brick house. will make them a proposition soon. Afternoon took the two mares & hauled a load of brick. a pain in left side prevented me from hauling more. brought home a barrel of carbon oil which E. A. Lease bought for me. have not found what it cost yet. after supper I took a dressed chicken to Mrs. Alexander who is sick. rode up and back with A. McMillan. Mark sowed grass seed (Red top & Bluegrass) in the woods & afterwards he & Myron repaired fence.

Apr 12 Rained nearly all of last night I think & today was cloudy but no rain of account fell. was in town most of the day putting in fancy partitions in shelving in the new clothing store. Took one of Kirks cows over to Add. Carrs. Mark dug out the ditch where pipes are leading to trough in barn yard. found some of the pipes filled with mud & expect we shall have a time with them. Wrote a note to Eugene Suliot making him a proposal for walls of a brick house.

Apr 13 Cloudy and colder. rained last night and snowed today. Was in town a part of the day, but did not do much of any good. neither can we do any thing at home & will have to be patient until weather gets better. Wrote a letter to my boy hood friend Sam Weir of new Albany Indiana. Paid PaschalSeeds 10.00 on acct. got an order for a few brick which we shall try to deliver tomorrow. Roads very bad. The women folks are sewing carpet rags.

Apr 14 Hauled some brick in forenoon & after noon took Aunt Margaret & Howell to town where they visited Bares green houses & brought home some nice plants. I went to Eugene Suliots & found when I got there that he had come across the fields to our house. We met in the road as I was coming home, but could make no bargain about his new house. I have but the one price and will not come down a peg. Mark hauled a load of coal for Dr. Sampsell in the afternoon. Roads are terrible. will freeze some tonight. Mary Ann Chessman was married.

Apr 15 Clear and pleasant most all day. clouded up towards evening & is much colder. The chain in our well broke this morning & let both baskets down the well. grappled them up and took the whole business to town for repairs. took Howell with me. Buckeye Engine Co paid me $1146.95. I took the money and paid Dan Crumrine $887.50 and lifted another mortgage. Left 250.00 in Farmers Bank. Bought a sugar spoon & presented it to Aunt Margaret. Mark & Myron repaired fences in the forenoon & afternoon Mark hauled a load of coal & Myron cleaned up in the garden.

Apr 16 Clear & fine. Went to town in the morning. hauled some brick and attended to some matters of business. Bought sugar and butter. After dinner went to town again. Took a contract for building a house for Eugene Suliot $10.25 per thousand and furnish everything. Attended Farmers meeting and took supper at Ninas. Bought Myron a suit of clothes at New York store. Mark also engaged a new suit. Didn't come home till 4 P.M.

Apr 17 Clear & fine in the morning. clouded up afternoon and at 8 P.M. is raining pretty fast. sowed some cabbage seed. Aunt Margaret and Nora went to Uncle Tims. Nora now came back and reported that Maggie & Ratie were both very sick & could get no help. I went to town and engaged Mrs. Kamp to go and stay with them awhile. Aunt Margaret will stay with them all night. Mr. North (salesman in the New York Clothing store) came out in afternoon and stayed a couple of hours. Gertie Wait is here to stay all night. Johnny Sheppard is also here.

Apr 18 Went to town in the morning to build a chimney, but there was no lime in town, so was forced to postpone it. Began to rain by 9 or 10 A.M. and kept it up nearly all day. Aunt Margaret got home from Uncle Tims & he took Mrs. Knox home with him to help them till the girls get better. Patrick Lyons was here today. he put a ring in our bulls nose. I was afraid he would get unruly. the ring cost 40 cts. Mark & I hauled a load of brick afternoon.

Apr 19 Clear & warm, very fine day. Built a chimney for Mrs. Wilson on Columbia St. after dinner went to town and attended to various matters. Sis Howell Aunt Margaret went over to Uncle Tims. The folks there are no better. Mark with Sam Gibbons to help. hauled 1325 lbs hay to Col. Boone for which he paid me $10.60. gave to Mrs. Kirk $20.00 (the formers after deducting $15.00 they owe me) of a bull I sold for them for $35.00. Paid D. Warrington $1.70. Bought of Eldridge Reed 2 bu Early Rose potatoes. $1.30 per bu. pretty high but must have them for seed. Mark also took some straw to Furmin Gee and hauled some manure to the garden. Julia Strong & Lena are here tonight.

Cloudy at bed time and looks like rain . quite warm.

Apr 20 Clear warm & pleasant. was at home nearly all day. Trimmed evergreen hedge in north side of yard and several other chores. Robert Hannes did a little stem cutting for me & Samuel Gibbons worked some on front garden. done some grading and dug foundation for short piece of pavement. Mark hauled sand to jobs in town. At night heard G. DeLaMatyr speak in Concert Hall. he advocated the principles of the National or Greenback Party, and advanced arguments which I cannot controvert. Will give them more thought. I think Mr. D. is a very homely man, indeed almost ugly, but is a ready talker and rather good speaker. Rode Dolly up and back & consider her the best horse I ever had any thing to do with. Julia & Lena are still there and will stay for a few days and help our folks with their house cleaning.

Apr 21 Clear and warm. Worked at home all day. got some tile and put them in drain that leads into barn yard. helped Sam Gibbons do some sodding. After supper Mark and I took all the horses and brought from town some 30 or 40 women who came to sew carpet rags. had a jolly time and took them home again about half past ten. plowed some sod today. The first plowing ____ done.

Apr 22 Clear & fine & warm. Hauled brick nearly all day. come home in evening in time to plant 10 grape vines which I bought of J. M. Bare. several different varieties. Mark plowed oats ground & Samuel Gibbons finished some sodding in front yard & did other jobs. Went to town after supper. rode in with A. McMillan behinda new horse he has just bought. a very nice one.

Apr 23 Clear warm & pleasant. Hauled some brick in the forenoon and afternoon made some garden. planted peas, beets, Lettuce, parsnips, onions etc etc. Went to town in evening. voted a primary election for county officers. Nora and Bun went over to Uncle Tims. found the sick folks better. Mark with S. Gibbons to help got in a couple of acres of oats.

Apr 24 Clear & warm. Worked till noon at Silver & Demings repairing furnace. Took a walk with the children Bun, Lena & Mabel Garrigues out to the woods. in the evening walked up to town to see D. Lupton about some work. Sis & Bun & George took a buggy ride over to Uncle Tims. first time George has been away from home. Sister Nina & Mabel were out this afternoon. Alice McMillan was also here. very pleasant tonight and we sat out in front porch till nearly nine oclock.

Apr 25 Cloudy. rained a little but not enough to stop work. Myron & I hauled brick & loaded some for others. Mark plowed oats ground. Got work started at F. Laynys on Canfield street. bought 2 grape vines of Joseph Dew, but got home too late to plant them this evening. ____ them in. Set 3 turkey hens on 15 eggs each. cooler tonight.

Apr 26 Cool & pleasant. cloudy but no rain after daylight. Hauled brick and sand to different places. went to town in evening. Rented brickyard to Arth McMillan and Edgar

Pidgeon. 75 cts per thousand for the day and the use of the yard. after the clay is all gone from our premises they are to buy 25 cts per M for the yard alone. I to furnish a new pole for them and stuff for crates if needed. they to furnish every thing else. Aunt Margaret sent Money order to Jas McCutcheon, N.Y. for dress goods. Wm Entrikin paid me all he owed me $5.50.

Apr 27 Clear and fine. Commenced cellar for Stratton & Daniel. Hauled some brick to F. Laynes. Got trees I bought of J. W. Tucker Rochester N.Y. and in afternoon set them out. 36 in all. also planted a few potatoes. Mark finished sowing oats & clover seed & Sam Gibbons harrowed and rolled the same. Went to town after supper to see how things were going. Chas. Webb & C. D. Arner called in the evening.

Apr 28 Partially clear & cloudy. Hauled brick all day. took 4 bed ticks to town and brought another out to be filled. Mark hauled 2 loads sand and afternoon took some poles to brick yard and brought home a load of manure. Mr. Burt called in evening.

Apr 29 Clear & cloudy at intervals. cooler wind from the north. Done various things today and am extremely busy. brought Mrs. Mary Smith out from Judge Laubirs and she stayed with us till afternoon when Nora took her out to Hannah Whites. Howell is quite sick & Dr Rush was out to see him. complains of a pain in left side. bad cold I guess. Mark finished rolling oats and hauled some manure from town.

Apr 30 Clear and cool. Worked at F. Layngs part of the day. putting in a filter and finishing cistern. Hauled some brick etc. Went to town after supper & paid my hands some money. Aunt Margaret was to town this afternoon. Howell is still quite unwell. Dr Rush was out again this morning. Mark hauled manure from town. Quite cool tonight and will probably be some frost. Abraham Ball was buried.

May 1 Somewhat cloudy with a little bit of rain towards evening. Was about home all day. Fixed the fences a little and turned the cattle out. put the cows in again at night and left the calves out. Trimmed the young trees I set out a few days ago & find that I have been swindled as some of the plum trees are dead as door nails. McMillans cattle were up here last night and nearly ruined our front yard tramped it full of holes. tore the young grass out by the roots. broke the evergreen hedges in a dozen places & left things in bad shape. of course we all feel badly about it, but we have no redress. I wrote a note to Sara McMillan and requested her (as I have done before) to keep their cattle at home, but they will soon get careless again & we shall suffer for it. Nora took Julia & Lena home this morning & after dinner she & Will walked over to Uncle Tims. Rachel brought them home in evening in carriage.

May 2 Rained till noon & Mark Myron & myself cleaned up our cellar. gave it a thorough overhauling. After dinner Myron & I hauled brick and Mark hauled manure from town. Paid note of A. B. Pidgeon $150.00. Hadnt the money to pay Edgar Pidgeon note for 206.56 so renewed it for sixty days at 6 per cent. Quite cool tonight.

May 3 Cloudy and cool. Hauled brick most of the day. A. Patterson built foundation for Mickel Stratton in the forenoon & afternoon he and Jerry Lacy worked at foundation for Stratton & Davies. Sis is quite lame one of her ankles being swollen and very painful. don't know what the matter is. Mark hauled manure from town.

May 4 Clear & pleasant. Hauled Brick & Sand etc. Bricklayers got S & D foundation in Depot st done & started another on Dry street. Jerry Lacy laid pavement on Main St for Thomas Horner. I did not get home till late & Mark was later for he took a couple of bed ticks up to Sandy McBurnicks before supper. having plowed sod most of the day, I brought home his new clothes from N. Y. Store. they fit him nicely & cost him $19.50. bought myself a straw hat for 25 cents. Little Howell seems better tonight & so does Sis.

May 5 Cloudy & wet. rained at intervals all forenoon & afternoon it rained steadily. We hauled a few brick & I repaired a bedstead. Went to town. Paid John Satterthwait 38.50 interest. Howell seems better tonight. The young folks are at the "Cantata" in which Frank & Will take part. Mother got a letter from Sister Fannie. Mark plowed sod till noon.

May 6 Cloudy but no rain. Hauled brick and sand. Mark Howell and Stephen Adams came out in afternoon & spread manure on cornfield. Howell is some better but cross? oh my.

May 7 Very dense fog in the morning which soon cleared away beneath the genial rays of the sun & we had a lovely day. Myron & I hauled brick & were both ready to quit early which we did. Went up town after supper. Met Mr. Wolfe a brother in law of Mr. Alexander. The latter did a good business today and I am in hopes he will build up a good trade. Aunt Margaret was up town this afternoon. rode up& back on the brick wagon. Howell is still quite unwell & I think has ague. Mark plowed sod & S. Adams finished spreading manure in corn field. I paid him all I owe him for work outside of woodchopping. We cannot settle that until the wood is hauled. Also settled with Jerry Lucy. owed & paid him $8.62. Paid Lon Patterson 5.50 & A. Davis 1.00. Paid Jim Rud $3.75 for manure. got a letter from Jas Kirk.

May 8 Clear & warm. Spent the entire day at home & glad of the chance to do so. Sis Nora & Little George went visiting to David Yenglings. Uncle Tim Aunt Mary & George Gee were here this afternoon, as were also Dr & Bessie Rush & Grunville Watson the latter to see about some brick. We turned our colts and calves out this morning. Stella went to Lisbon with her beau & I did the milking. Howell has been I think a little better today.

May 9 Clear & warm. Looked some like rain in afternoon but none came. Hauled brick and sand. James Stanley laid a pavement for me in front of Trimbles Drugstore. I went to town after supper & bought a sack of flour. we were entirely out & no time to take a grist to mill. Mark plowed sod. Howell was very poorly this morning but feels better tonight.

May 10 Had a light shower in afternoon. weather warm & pleasant. Laid Brick most of the day & attended to other work. Frank & Myron hauled stone from meadow to town also sand & Brick. Mark finished plowing sod & harrowed a little.

May 11 Clear & warm. Hauled brick & laid brick & got along right well with our work. Mark harrowed corn ground & we want to plant some tomorrow. Howell has been better today for which I am thankful. helped with the milking.

May 12 Clear & warm. Transplanted tomato plants till noon. then planted about 3 acres of corn. Samuel Gibbons & Steven Adams helped all day. this morning Frank & Myron hauled stone sand & Brick. Geo. Meredith put new floor & columns to front portico. looks very nice. quite warm tonight & Im tired tho well watered tomato plants. J. M. Evans & wife stopped a few minutes while out for a ride this evening. Must go and see them as soon as we can.

May 13 Clear & warm. Hauled some brick & fixed a piece of wall for Stratton & Daniel on Depot st. in afternoon worked at Woodruffs Foundry. S. Adams helped me. Patterson worked at Higginns on Hawly avenue. Frank & Myron washed buggy and spring wagon. Mark worked at corn & potato ground getting it nearly ready for planting. McMillans got their corn in today. Dr. & Mrs. Rush called in evening. brought Howell 6 sticks of taffy candy. Howell has on his first pantaloons and is immensely tickled therewith.

May 14 Clear and warm until towards evening when we had quite a good rain. Worked at Woodruffs Foundry. Patterson & Jerry Lucy helped me. went to town after supper & stayed till 9 P.M. Mark & boys finished planting corn & potatoes & afterwards Mark plowed a little garden for Mrs. Kirk and took some wheat to mill. Sis was to town this afternoon. Paid Jacob Heaton $20.00 dollars and gave him deed for a lot I owned in Cemetery and got a double lot. he gave me a deed for it.

May 15 Cloudy and cool. was up real early and had the milking done before any of the rest of the folks were up. afterwards took a walk over the farm. found things looking very well. about half past ten Mother and I went over to Uncle Tims, it being cool in afternoon. Mother intended to stay all night and I came home alone. Aunt Margaret took the horse and buggy and went to see Mrs. Robinson. Levi Straly spent the evening with us.

May 16 Cloudy and cool. Worked part of the day at Woodruffs Foundry and afterwards at C. Heggins on Hawley Avenue. Lou Patterson went to Canton to work. said he would come back when I wrote for him. gave him his money. R. P. Trimble paid me 22.40 for pavement & Thomas Horner also paid me $12.75 Thos Baxter $11.55. Paid F. Gee & Co 11.70 for lime. also settled with F. Alexander. owed & paid him 2.40.

May 17 Cloudy & cold enough for me to wear a heavy coat. Worked some in town and did considerable running around. drove some stakes for raspberry bushes & trimmed them

quite a job. Mark & Frank plowed a couple of acres down by the mill which we want to put in corn. Rachel Gee brought Mother home & I rode to town with her. went to building on Hawley Avenue & from there to Brickyard. Paid Stephen Adams 9.75 all I owe him to date. Paid Stella 5.00 her wages are now drawn a week ahead. Quite cold at night & were it not cloudy I think we should have frost.

May 18 Cloudy and cool. Finished planting corn. planted ____ today with a hand planter which beats the old way all to pieces. I did the planting and put in nearly 2 acres by 10 oclock. also planted some beans and squashes. Frank & I hauled a load of small stone to town & in afternoon hauled brick. Mark is getting tomato ground ready. Sis walked to town & back this morning. Myron cut a lot of pea brush etc etc.

May 19 Cloudy and cool. Took the inside works out of coal house preparatory to making a bedroom of it. There being a circus in town we knocked off at 9 A.M. and went to town to see the parade. in afternoon I hauled seed and Mark went to circus, where I went in evening. Sis had a couple of tramps for dinner, and got them to cut down our old apple tree which was in the way.

May 20 Cloudy in the morning but cleared off in afternoon & was quite pleasant. Mark, Frank, Mr. Gibbons & Myron set out our tomato plants. hope it will not freeze tonight and kill them. I built chimneyat Stratton & Daniel house on depot st. went to town after supper. engaged a girl to come & live with us when Stella goes away which will be I suppose in a couple of weeks. Paid D. F. Yengling $9.20 for sand. filled a bed tick and took to Ed. Rukenbrod. Bed tick business is lively.

May 21 Clear & warm. Worked building chimney on depot st. J. Lacy helping me. Mark & Frank went to Pats on 4:37 train. Went to town after supper. paid my hands & collected a little money. E. McMillan rode home with me.

May 22 Clear & fine. Took my Sundays walk over the farm found things looking well generally. salted the cattle. attended to chores as Mark is away. planted some beans (lima & bunch) in the garden. after dinner hitched Betty to buggy and went out to Sam Pattersons. got him to help lay brick. was home before dark and helped with milking. Sara Will & Gertie Wait visited at Uncle Tims. Mother not feeling very well. Little Bun much better. Mabel Garrigues was out today.

May 23 Clear & warm. Got Morlan & Whites cellar wall started. Sam Patterson helped me. Hauled some brick. Mark & Frank got home at noon, & afternoon Mark plowed bean patch & Frank helped haul Brick. Had a big lot of turkeys hatched.

May 24 Clear & warm. Hauled brick & Mark hauled a load of coal for Dr. Sampsell & finished bean patch.

May 25 Clear & warm. Hauled brick etc and am tired at night. Mark plowed for fodder corn. Myron planted beans.

May 26 Clear & warm. Finished cellar for Morlan & Whites. I did not lay many brick on it. was too busy with other things. Sam Patton & Jerry Lacy put it up. afternoon I went to town & had a deuce of a bother about a cellar drain. They are putting in a new server in alley in rear of our storerooms & I suppose we shall have to join it. Mr. & Mrs. _____ the latter a relation of ours from near Philadelphia called this forenoon & had not the pleasure of seeing them, being away from home when they called. David & Mary Yengling & sons called in evening. somewhat cloudy & quite pleasant.

May 27 Clear & hot. Worked on chimney in coal house which we are changing into a bed room. Jerry Lacy worked at foundation of new coal house and got it nearly completed. grunted a good deal & does not like to lay stone is doing a good job tho. Frank hauled sand & brick and Mark plowed and hauled manure for Jos. Kirk. In afternoon while waiting for brick, Bun & I walked down to saw mill. went into the woods a little ways and gathered some flowers. Bun was immensely pleased. I carried him a good part of the way & he didn't get tired. is real well now & I hope he will continue so. coming home I noticed that our wheat is coming out in head. ought to have gone to town this evening, but was too tired & our horses are tired as I am.

May 28 Clear & hot. Went to town in forenoon and brought out a load of hard Brick for chimney top also some tin for flashing. did not quite finish the chimney as we have an early supper & all went to town afterwards. Sis & the Boys Nora & myself went up in spring wagon. each of us, except George got a pair of shoes of Jobes. Jerry Lacy finished stone work for coal house before noon. Stephen stayed and pumped out the cistern which we want to clean before putting floor in bed room. Paid Stephen Adams 11.00 Jr Lacy 13.50 Andy Davis 3.25 all I owed them. Had to borrow 10.00 of Ed Lease in order to pay them. Have had no time to make collections. Would be glad to see rain. Mother got a letter from Uncle John Enlow Louisville, Ky.

May 29 Clear & warm in the morning. was up early and brought the cows and milked. Went down to saw mill after breakfast. in afternoon Sis & the children & myself took a ride in spring wagon. went first to Johnathan Evans & stayed a couple of hours, and then to Pack Seeds. drove up to Ninas and brought Mother home with us. (Will took her to town in morning). We all enjoyed our ride and the boys behaved themselves nicely. The roads are getting very dusty & the weather continues very warm. Ella Hudelmyre and Miss Nusbaum (the latter is coming to live with us when Stella goes away) were here while we were away.

May 30 Clear & warm till afternoon when it clouded up and looked like rain, but very little fell. Decoration day was observed here by a large number of people. The Canton Band are here & tonight Abbie Whinery sings in Concert Hall. Howell & I went out to the cemetery but did not stay long. I went to town after supper and bought some spikes for the carpenters to use tomorrow. they were here this forenoon and tore out the old coal house which we are making into a bedroom.

May 31 Hauled 2 loads of lumber from Stratton & Daniel. went down to saw mill & helped get up one of my logs & Frank sawed it for me into ceiling joists which I hauled home. afterwards went over to Robert Tolertons and got his wheat drill. want to drill some fodder corn. D. Yengling was out in evening and I went to town with him. Lou Patterson was also here. Mark plowed corn some today. Myron was sick in bed all day. J. Adams & Frank cleaned cistern.

Jun 1 Cloudy but not much rain has fallen as yet. (6 P.M.) Drilled in a couple of acres of fodder corn for ourselves & ½ acre for James Kirk. took drill home to R. Tolerton and paid him one dollar for the use of it. went to town for window panes but Seeds & Young did not have them done. brought a door for bedroom. Aunt Margaret went to town bought 3 pairs of shoes for herself. Mark & Myron worked corn. 3 carpenters here today. Collected some money & bought new scythe.

Jun 2 Cloudy & cooler. Went to town and got a couple of window frames and afterwards to D. Yenglings and got 250 tomato plants. Myron & Frank replanted tomatoes. a great many of which are missing. cut by cut worms. The carpenters got the new bedroom about ready for plastering. A young Quaker from Chester county Pa. called and I engaged a couple of cherry trees & 50 Raspberry plants from him. The trees to be 50 cents each & the plants $1.00 ___ _____ and to be delivered next spring. took 8 bu of wheat to mill. Howell went with me. Mark worked corn & potatoes.

Jun 3 Cloudy & wet. had several very fine showers. immediately after breakfast I went out to _____ Beaumonts and got some tomato plants. Think him a very fine young man. Helped the boys plant till noon & afterwards went to town and repaired well cr___ for Norman Garrigues. Had to work between showers. Sis & the Boys & Aunt Margaret went with them in forenoon & got _____ took dinner at Aunt Libs. Nora got a letter from Sister Fannie. Mark hauled 3 loads sand & boated stone in afternoon.

Jun 4 Cloudy and cool. went to mill and brought home flour etc. bought a parlor cook stove for Aunt Margaret & set it up. in afternoon attended Farmers Meeting and was much interested in the talk which was mainly about small fruits. went to town again after supper, but to little purpose. Paid R. Turner $5.50 for gas fitting. Mark and the boys put about 50 or 60 bu of wheat through the windmill. It seems to be a little musty for which I am sorry. Bessie Rush is visiting Nora & will stay all night. Mabel Garrigues is also here.

Jun 5 Cloudy & cool for time of year. drizzled rain some at times. walked over the farm & trimmed raspberry bushes some. went to saw mill and marked some saw logs . salted the colts & cattle etc. in afternoon took Mabel to town & afterwards drove over to Uncle Tims. found Maggie very sick with something like quinsy but some better than she was a few days ago. in evening I wrote a letter to my Uncle John G. Enlow. Aunt Lizzie Wait spent the day here. also ____ Bessie Rush. she & Nora & Will are at McMillans in evening.

Jun 6 Cloudy & clear at intervals. drizzled some in the morning. Worked at C. Higgeans. building chimneysetc. Mark went out to hunt tomato plants this afternoon but was unsuccessful. I went up town after work & got some from J. M. Bush. Went to Mrs. Robinsons to meet Mrs. Eugene Suliot who wants to ask some questions about their _____ _____ house. Mark hauled a load of clay to Buckeye & a load of manure from town. afterwards brought home a load of sand from Thos. Fawcetts & our _____ machine from Garrigues shop. Cool in evening. poor corn weather but good for cut worms.

Jun 7 Clear & cloudy with heavy showers. accompanied by much thunder and lightning in afternoon. Work at C. Heggens major part of the day. Frank planted some more tomatoes & Mark took sow to Joe Davis. Hauled brush out of orchard etc etc. The young folks are in town practicing for commencement. Raining hard at 8 P.M. Had a fine dish of strawberries for supper from our garden. the first of the season. Howell picked some of them.

Jun 8 Rained very hard last night & several showers fell today. in the forenoon I slacked some lime for plastering bed room. took a sample of wheat to town & sold and delivered to Sharp & ____ 59-1/2 bushels of wheat for which I recd a check on Greiners Bank for as many dollars. Mark also hauled a couple of loads of wood to Brickyard and some straw to ___ Woodruff. I went to town after supper. John McCloskey came home with me.

Jun 9 Very wet. Rained terribly hard last night & has kept it up nearly all day. Aunt Margaret Howell & I went to commencement exercises in Concert Hall. Nora graduated together with Bessie Rush, Clara Street & Marie Cattell. The girls all did splendidly & each of them after their essays were given were overwhelmed with flowers. Bun & I left the hall before the exercises were over for he got tired and _____by & we waited at Aunt Libs till the others came. The young folks Nora included stayed & went to a dance. Raining steadily at 11 P.M. when I return.

Jun 10 Cloudy & wet looking in forenoon, but no rain fell & after a while it cleared off & the sun shone bright. Hauled a few brick & after noon worked on chimney tops at C. Higgins. Mark hauled some wood to brickyard, but before that he and I took the train to saw mill & straightened some logs around for sawing. went to town after supper in response to a call from S. D. Wilson who wants some work done. Nora brought her bouquets home today in the wagon. how beautiful they are. Aunt Mary Jesse is here to stay all night. Sara McMillan & Ruthanna Bentley called in evening.

Jun 11 Clear & fine. a lovely day & a splendid night. in forenoon I finished chimneys at C. Higgins & went from there to F. Laynys who was not ready for brick work. left our tools at Morlan & Whites when I have chimneys to build in afternoon the plasterers came and put 1st coat in bedroom. Frank & I attended them. they also done some patching at Gibbons. Went to town after supper. collected some money and paid most of it out.

bought some castings for cooking stove. H. M. T____ paid me 10.50 for rent of room on 2nd floor Trinity Blk to June 1 1881. Nora was out to J. Cattells to tea. we came home from town together at 9 P.M. Some say this will be an eclipse of the moon tonight but being somewhat doubtful & having no _____ to refer to I believe I shall go to bed. There was a total eclipse of the moon. Our young folks Will Nora & Frank saw it but I failed to get awake tho they called me _____.

Jun 12 Clear & fine. was up early & put some new castings in the stove. brought the cows & milked. After breakfast Howell & I went in spring wagon over to Harry Nusbaums one of whose daughters has come to live with us. Norman & Nina & Mabel came out in afternoon. also Mrs. Arner & Son Caleb also some young folks to see Nora. Towards evening Sis & the children & I drove to Uncle Tims a little while. Maggie is very sick & Aunt Mary looks about worn out. After coming home Bun & I took a walk out the lane. Wrote some letters one to S. T. _____ W. Liberty Iowa, one to Geo W. Hise ____ Nace & 1 to Ohio Farmer Cleveland. Very pleasant evening.

Jun 13 Clear & cloudy at intervals. apparently heavy rains went south of us. I built chimneys for Morlan & White. We are having an awful time with our tomatoes this year & have replanted nearly as many as we set out at first. Got a lot from James Seaton today & Frank & Myron set them out. Will take more yet to finish. Stella went home to her Mothers and Rilla our new girl is fully installedin the household. Mother got a letter from Sister Fannie. Mark hauled wood to Brickyard. Cool in evening.

Jun 14 Clear & cloudy at intervals. showers in afternoon which wet my brick. Repaired fire walls for L. G. Wilson. collected some money. D. Lupton gave me an order in C. Higgins for $85.85 which Higgins paid. Archie Cook paid me $10.50 & G. L. Wattern gave me a check for $35.00 & owes me 10 yet. Went to town after supper. took tax receipts and money to Norma Gurrigues who I expected would go to Lisbon tomorrow, but he is too busy and cannot leave the shop. Mark hauled wood to Brickyard. Myron cut __ocks and hot carbon __it in them to kill them if possible. Ro_____ mi_____.

Jun 15 Partially clear & cloudy. no rain. Worked on chimneys at Morlan & White. Walked home in evening & am tired at night. go to bed early. deposited 175.00 in First Nat. Bank. Mark hauled wood to Brickyard. Nora & Frank go to a party at R. Hampsons in evening.

Jun 16 Finished chimneyat Morlan & Whites. Went to town after supper. got some white sand for skin coat of plastering on bedroom. Talked with R. Hole about selling him some brick. Frank went to the wedding Chas Boone & Kate Thomas.

Jun 17 Clear & pleasant. Built foundation for coal house for Frank Lang. Miss Hallie McQuiddy of New Albany, Indiana came on noon train and is at Sister Ninas. I went to see her after supper. I have known her parents nearly all my life. livedin the same house with us for a number of years. Hallie is their oldest child and is now about 24 I presume.

Aunt Margaret Nora & Carrie & Will went to Crystal wedding at Geo Wilkins & had a nice time.

Jun 18 Clear & pleasant. Took a set of Brick moulds to Seeds & Young & had them altered so as to make some octagon brick for Suliot house. Took them back to Kinnemans brickyard and saw them run off a few moulds full. Went to Gus Harris and examined some chimneys & found them allright. sold about 60,000 Brick to Robert Hole at $6.00 per M. at the kiln. he agreed to pay me $100.00 on the 1st of August & the balance on the 1st of October 1881. Attended meeting of Farmers Club in afternoon & went back to town in evening. called at Ninas and talked a while with Hallie McQuiddy. Bought a straw hat of J. R. Oliphant 1.75. Bessie Rush left Salem on her way to Europe. will meet Dr in N.Y. Nora & Carrie Arter went to depot to see her off but got there too late & were much disappointed _____.

Jun 19 Clear & pleasant. Arose at 5 oclock and brought the cows. had the milking done before any of the others were up. After breakfast Mark & I went with Betty in spring wagon over to Albert Phillips to look at a three year old colt he has for sale. he is pretty good, but does not suit me exactly. also looked at one belonging to Donaldson & Frank he is very good but the price $176.00 is too high. After coming home Sis and the children & I went to the woods. saw the cattle & the colts and gathered some wild flowers. in evening we called at neighbor Bunts. Mrs. B. is sick. Aunt Margaret & Howell took a ride this afternoon. Went to Uncle Jesses where Mother is.

Jun 20 Cloudy & wet. Had several heavy showers during the day. We hauled some stone & brick to Twing Brooks. also took a couple of old stoves to Gus Harris who will try to sell them for me. Bought some window glass putty paint etc. Got a letter from Aaron Hencilwood. am right glad to hear from him. Had a good sing tonight. Nora & Carrie Arter, Will, Frank & myself taking part.

Jun 21 Cloudy and as cool in the evening that Sis made a fire in the dining room area. it felt very good. Worked about home all day. the carpenters David Lupton & Joseph Lariman were here and I helped them some. put in foundation for shed behind kitchen laid the hearth in our new bed room etc etc. Frank set out some more tomatoes which we got from James Seaton. hauled some brick etc. Mark hauled some sawdust to Mrs. Trimble and a load of sand to J. T. Brooks. Carrie & Nora & the Boys have gone to a dance tonight at Pack Seeds.

Jun 22 Cold enough almost for frost at night. Built a foundation for Bay window for Twing Brooks. Sam Patterson helped me & we got done before noon. Hauled some brick etc & Sam went back to Morris chimneys. Mother got home from Uncle Jesses & feels pretty well. Rachel Gee was here in afternoon. I gave her a young chicken for magpie. ____ is very sick. Went to town after supper bought groceries. 2 carpenters here today.

Jun 23 Clear & cool. Worked at home all day. set grate in bed room & finished the chimney. helped carpenters to put roof on coal house & shed. didn't quite finish. Mark worked corn & Myron worked at Jas Kirks. cool at night.

Jun 24 Clear & pleasant. Mowed about 3 acres of clover and got it cocked up before night. Mark worked corn. Frank went to Cleveland on noon train. Mike Nora & Carrie went to a party. ___ Walker was here today.

Jun 25 Clear & warm until towards evening when it clouded up and began to rain. Finished a chimneytop at Mrs. Morris sons house & took my tools to Stratton and Daniel house where I have chimnies to build. Went up to S. Luptons and collected some money. $47.90 of S. Lupton and 7.30 of F. Laying. After dinner we got out hay that was cut yesterday into the barn. 3 large loads in good shape. Went to town with Carrie Nora & Mark after supper. called at Ninas and talked a while with Hallie McQuiddy who gave me a New Albany paper to read. very glad to get it and think I shall subscribe for it. Paid Rilla 4 dollars & Steven Adams $15.00. Raining at 10 P.M.

Jun 26 Clear & fine. Took a walk to the woods & turned some of our young cattle into another pasture. Howell went with me & we gathered some flowers on our way home. after dinner took Dolly and buggy and went out to Kinnaman's brickyard. he has a kiln nearly burned. Aunt Margaret Howell & I went to Uncle Tims. found Maggie better. Ed Hogan & C. North are here in evening. Frank is not yet home from Cleveland.

Jun 27 Cloudy with heavy shower in forenoon. intended to mow this morning but did not do so. worked at the coal house till noon, and afterwards worked at building chimneys for Stratton & Daniel. got a letter from Aaron Hise W. Liberty. answered it. in evening had a call from Hannah Sharpnack & Tine Fuller & her 2 children Maud & Roy. Dave Yengling also called & I paid him $5.75 for sand & tomato plants. Mark hauled some sand & brick & worked in garden some. Frank has just got home from Cleveland.

Jun 28 Clear & warm. Worked at Stratton & Daniels chimneys & finishedthem. Jerry Lacy helped me. Mark plowed corn. Sis & the Boys & Mother went to town in the morning just for a ride. Myron & Frank worked in the barns.

Jun 29 Went to mowing in the morning. but it was cloudy & got worse & after mowing an hour thought I had better stop. about 9 A.M. we had a very heavy rain & windstorm. didn't however rain very long. worked on the coal house & finished it inside & after dinner Mark put a load of coal in. I mowed a little more in the evening. Tine Fuller & her children Maud & Roy spent the day with us. Hannah Sharpnack was here in afternoon.

Jun 30 Cloudy & clear at intervals. finished mowing one of our meadows. about 6 acres & got a couple of loads of hay in the barn. have part of it in cock and as much more on the ground. poor haying weather. Went to town a little while after dinner. F. Alexander paid me 3 mo rent of storeroom 106.05. bought a pitchfork for 60 cts. Byron L. Ambler & Clarice Thomas are to be married tonight. Joy goes out to them. Quite cool

at night. so cool that fire feels good.

Jul 1 Clear & warm. a splendid hay day. Went down to Bunts right after breakfast to mow. sorry I went for I broke my machine. took it Garrigues shop & got it repaired. after dinner we got in 5 big loads of hay. Went to town after supper & bought some groceries etc etc. Chris Kinnerman was out in afternoon & I paid him $100.00 for Brick. sold 7 lbs Butter.

Jul 2 Clear & warm. got in the balance of hay we had done. 12 loads from this meadow & 15 loads altogether in barn. After dinner went to town in springwagon to bring Nina & Hallie McQuiddie out. in getting into town was shocked to hear the President Garfield had been shot by a would be assassin. News came in the evening that the President was dead & later that dispatch was contradicted & he was resting better. I fervently hope & pray that he may recover for the country can ill afford to lose him. Took Hallie & Nina home in evening. Sis & Howell went with me. Mrs Geo. Gordon & her friend Mrs. Morey both of Sandusky were also here to tea. also Sara McMillan & daughter Alice. E. A. Lease & Co paid me 37.50 in quarters rent. Went to 1st National Bank to pay a note of 206.00 but Firm Gee was sick & had to defer the payment of it.

Jul 3 Clear & warm. spent the day at home. John Jones is here & will remain all night. Walked over the farm with him. Sis is quite unwell in evening. has headache.

Jul 4 Clear & warm. Mowed some grass in morning and helped bind wheat which C. Downey cradled. got nearly 2 acres cut. it was down badly & trampled & hard to cut. Mark plowed corn & helped me cock the bugs. went to town after supper. Nothing going on in town in the way of 4th of July celebrations. every body thinking about the President who I am pleased to record was at last accounts getting better. Hope he may recover. Carrie Arter who has been visiting with us some weeks went to Geo Streets this afternoon. seems lonesome without her. Warm at night & mosquitos quite numerous.

Jul 5 Clear & warm. would have been very hot but for a fine breeze which blew all day. Mowed in the forenoon & got in 2 loads of hay and balance all cocked up. Stephen Adams & Samuel Gibbons worked at the wheat which is in fine condition to cut.

Jul 6 Hauled some brick in forenoon. with the 2 mares & Mark worked beans etc with old Charley. Afternoon we got in 3 loads of hay and S. Adams & L. Gibbons worked away at the wheat. both were nearly played out and we knocked off before six oclock. Cheering news from Washington. The President is getting better & the chances for his recovery are improving. Bro Will brings a Pittsburgh paper home in the evening.

Jul 7 Clear & cloudy at intervals. had a little shower just before noon but not enough of it to make us stop our work. hauled some brick in forenoon & Mark moved balance of field near the woods. in afternoon we got in 2 more loads of splendid hay & put up in cock all we had done. Stephen & Sam finished one field of wheat & commenced on the

other cutting all of it that was ripe enough. Had a fine shower just before night & looks as though we might have more. am writing this in our new bedroom which Sis is fixing up ready for occupation. Nora & Frank go to Reception at Joshua Brownes. Garfield getting better.

Jul 8 Clear & hot. Mowed till nearly noon and hay dried very nicely. got all up we cock before supper. hauled in a couple of loads in afternoon from field mowed yesterday. After dinner I went to town. took 10 bu & 47 lbs of wheat which I sold to Sharp & Manly. 1.05 per bu. brought home flour from Buckeye Mill. got a card from Eugene Suliot & answered it. very warm in evening. we sleep tonight in our new bedroom for the first time.

Jul 9 Clear & hot. arose before 4 oclock and after an early breakfast started off to build a chimney away off in the country near Guilford & ten miles from Salem. Stopped at Stephen Allans and took him with me. got the chimney done about 4 P.M. and was home a little after six. Mark with L. Gibbons Frank & Myron to help finished mowing and hauled into the barn 5 loads of wheat. Carrie Arter started to Lima at 4:37. Very hot in evening. Thermometer at 96 in afternoon.

Jul 10 Clear & warm. was not up quite as early as usual on Sunday & made the milking uncomfortable work on account of flies. After breakfast drove out to Pattersons (Howell with me). also went to R. Brickers and engaged him to help me in Suliots house. also saw some man about hauling brick. Mercury at 94 at noon. Towards evening Sis & the Boys & I drove over to Uncle Tims. twas pretty warm, but we had not been over for some time & thought we ought to go. Found them pretty well. Maggie some better than when we were there last. got home before dark. warm at night.

Jul 11 The fog which was very heavy in the morning soon cleared away & we had another clear warm day. Took a load of lumber (for scaffold) down to Suliots and afterward 2 loads of brick. also a load of brick in town. Mark expected to finish the hay by putting it in stack but neither Stephen or Sam came to help, so did not get it finished. he plowed corn till noon. Sis & Howell were in town in afternoon. rode up & back with Sara McMillan.

Jul 12 Not quite so warm as it was and a shower of rain in the morning and another in evening. spent a good part of the day in town. Paid Ed. Pidgeon $208.66 & got the note & destroyed it. Paid taxes $128.24. Stratton & Daniel paid me $158.24 which was the difference in our accounts. Also settled with Morlan & White in the evening. They owe me $80.25 & gave me their note for 60 days for the amount. Mark Gibbons & Myron finished the hay stack, a big one & put another load in the barn. this finishes our haying for the season except some raking. Stephen came out in afternoon and I reckin cut some wheat, at least he went to the field with the cradle. Frank went to the Mahoning _____ing. Nora went to town after dinner.

Jul 13 Cloudy and clear. rained a little in forenoon but not enough to amount to much.

Frank & I hauled brick to Suliots & 1 load to F. Lang. Mark plowed corn etc & S. Adams cut wheat. Read a letter from Bessie Rush to Nora. written on the Steamship Wisconsin in mid ocean. A very pretty letter.

Jul 14 Clear & fine. Myron & I hauled brick in afternoon. Howell wanted to go with me and I let him. got Betty shod in front and brought home a wheelbarrow that Sam Elton has made for me. Mark Frank & L. Gibbons hauled in most of our wheat & also put that of Firm Gees in our barn. Wrote a card to R. Bricker asking him to do some Brick work for J. Watson.

Jul 15 Clear & warm. Frank & I hauled Brick. 3 loads to Suliots & 1 to town. Mark plowed corn. took a little straw to F. Gee & got Charley shod all round. Joel Silver was buried. he committed suicide by taking poison. he had got old & spent most of his money, a good deal of it for drink.

Jul 16 Cooler, a fine shower in afternoon which wet Frank & I some while on our way to Suliots with a load of brick. Mark got the last of our wheat in just in the nick of time and none of it got wet. Went to town after supper & stayed till after nine oclock. walked both ways. had a severe coughing spell after going to bed & got up & read the newspaper till ½ past 12. Am much pleased with our new bed room it is very pleasant.

Jul 17 Clear & pleasant. was up very early as I like to milk (when I have to do) before the flies get so bad. after breakfast went down to saw mill. found that Mr. Sharp had cut some pine boards for me and I piled them up. P. Young & C. Taylor were out a while. came to see about brick. sat in the grove and talked a while. after dinner Howell & I took a walk out the lane. gathered some raspberries etc. Wrote a letter to Uncle Geo Hise. Mrs. Elizabeth Goucher visited us.

Jul 18 Clear & pleasant. Sis was very sick nearly all of last night. vomited repeatedly & this morning is real weak, though some better. did not get out of bed till afternoon. Hauled brick with 2 teams. had Kirks horse. I hauled 1 load sand & in afternoon got Kirks horse shod all round and got tires cut on one of our wagons. Worked some at F. Laygs cellar. Jerry Lucy was to work for me but got sick. Bun went with me this afternoon. I also went to town after supper to figure on some brick work. Sis is better tonight and is asleep when I am home at 9 oclock. Cool at night.

Jul 19 Clear & very pleasant. Hauled brick and sand to different places. Jerry Lacy is paving Laygs cellar for me. got Dolly shod all round. Samuel Gibbons is making some fence around peach orchard. it is not the work that suits him best. took a walk over the farm after supper. oats are ripening fast & will soon be ready to cut. sold 2 year old heifer to Wm Brown for $28.00. Sis much better. Gertie Wait is here tonight.

Jul 20 Clear & pleasant. some cloudy in evening and looks like rain. Hauled brick & Mark hauled sand to Suliots. took his dinner with him and was away all day. Bought some groceries & paid insurance to Delaware Ins Co. $4.50 in Garwood shop property.

Tim Fuller and 2 children are with us. glad to have them. Aunt Ura was also here to dinner. first visit she has made us for a long time. Bill Brown took away the heifer he bought.

Jul 21 Rained some last night was cloudy this morning, but soon cleared away. Hauled brick & Mark hauled sand to Suliots. Got a letter from Sister Fannie. she sent Howell a pair of rubber boots for a birthday present. wrote a card to Ohio Farmer & to R. Bricker. Nora is at D. Yenglings.

Jul 22 Cloudy and wet in forenoon. Worked at Frank Layngs & finished paving his cellar. after dinner loaded 3 thousand brick for Robert Hole out of Pidgeons new kiln. it does not suit me. too many soft brick in it. Mark hauled a couple of loads of coal from J. Farquars. The women folks and children went out to David Yenglings. Sis & her boys came home in afternoon & Aunt Margaret Tim & the others took supper with Mrs.Goucher where I went for them at 8 P.M. Clara Sharpnack came home with us. got to bed early. am tired.

Jul 23 Loaded some brick for Robert Hole out of Pidgeons new kiln which is a very poor burn I fear. Bought 64 celery plants of E. A. Lease & afternoon set them out. repaired fence around peach orchard. Bought a barrel of salt of Jos. Koll $7.50. Went to town in evening. got Howells rubber boots which his Aunt Fan sent him from Iowa by mail. they fit him nicely and he is much pleased with them. Paid Phil Plater $8.00 & Shell Parker $10.00 owe the latter $5.80 for hauling brick. also paid 3.27 more taxes on Shiver lot on E. B. way.

Jul 24 Clear & warm. was up at 5 oclock. took a walk over the tomato patch & killed some tomato worms. turned the cattle in new pasture where they did not stay long, but betook themselves to the shade of the woods. What genuine pleasure I derive from a walk over the farm in summer time. How delightful the shady woods. how beautiful the green fields & growing crops. After dinner we all went over to Uncle Tims. spent a pleasant afternoon. the children went riding in the boat on the pond. came home about 6. Mother & Aunt Margaret in the carriage with Rachel Gee & the rest of us in spring wagon. Nora went buggy riding this morning with John Sheppard and at ½ past 8 has not returned. Wrote a letter to Sister Fannie.

Jul 25 Worked most of the day at F. Layngs. after getting done there took my tools to Stratton and Daniels house on Depot st. where I have some grates to set. Mark and Frank hauled brick in forenoon & after dinner Mark hauled sand to Suliots and Frank built some fence. Sis & Tim were in town a portion of day. tried to get Georges picture taken but did not succeed in getting good one.

Jul 26 Somewhat cloudy & cool. set 2 grates for Stratton & Daniel on Depot st. Mark mowed some grass for Mr. Kirk and he & Frank & Myron put some of it in his barn. Stephen Adams commenced to cut on oats.

Jul 27 Cloudy & clear at intervals. cool for time of year. put down a pavement on High st for Dr Rush. got done by 5 P.M. Howell went with me in afternoon & got asleep on the way home. Mark hauled sand to Suliots in forenoon & afterwards Stephen Adams is cutting.

Jul 28 Picked beans all forenoon & after dinner took 4 bushels to McNabbs factory. do not think much of beans as a paying crop. Stephen Adams finished cutting our oats and the boys Mark, Sam, Frank Stephen & they got most of them in shock. Hallie McQuiddy is here & will stay all night. after supper she & Nora & Will & Frank went to town in the old carriage.

Jul 29 After breakfast went over to Uncle Tims & worked there all day. topped out a chimney. set a grate in their front room & did some other work. Aunt Mary & George brought me home after supper & will stay all night as it looks rainy. Mark hauled sand to Suliots & Frank attended to the brick at yard. Stephen Myron & Sam got all our oats in shock. Nina Garrigues was here in afternoon & to supper. She & Hallie with Sis to drive them went home in spring wagon. Quite cool & Aunt Margaret has made a fire in room.

Jul 30 Cloudy & in afternoon wet. put down a pavement on high street corner of Canfield. Worked a little in the rain but got it done. loaded some brick etc. Went to town after supper. Mark hauled 2 loads sand to Suliots.

Jul 31 Aunt Margaret & Nora & Frank went to Uncle Jesses & spent the day. Rilla is also away so that we have quite a small family. there being at dinner only Mother Mark Sis & the Babies & myself. towards the latter part of the afternoon I put Betty to the buggy & Sis & the boys & I went down to Suliots. stopped at their farm a while & had a pleasant time. getting home in time to do the milking before dusk. Aunt Lib & Sister were here in evening.

Aug 1 Hauled brick in forenoon & afternoon set a grate for Morlan & White. Howell was with me & fell asleep as usual in the wagon coming home. after supper he went with me down to Gibbons & he is pretty tired when we get home. poor little fellow has had toothache a good deal lately but not very badly & not long at a time. Sis & Nora did a huge washing & were done before noon. I got a letter from Uncle Geo Hise. Sister Fannie is quite sick. Mrs. Layng called to see me about some work in evening. Mark hauled sand to Suliots.

Aug 2 Clear & warm. Stephen & I went to Suliots in the morning. took 6 barrels of lime with us. made a mortar bed & at noon left Stephen there making mortar. after dinner hauled brick and in the evening took Sis & the boys with me & went out to Samuel Pattersons. found him in shape to go with me to Suliots Thursday morning. had a pleasant little call & very pleasant ride. tho the boys went to sleep before we got there. Mark & help hauled our oats in the barn. harvesting all done now & everything in good shape. Charley Adams & Joe Post picked beans. Myron & Frank helped between times. don't know how many are picked as have not taken them to town. J. Donaldson paid me

14.25 for Kirks pavement.

Aug 3 Clear & warm. Repaired Layngs cistern & in afternoon went to Suliots. made scaffold & laid a few brick on their new house. Mrs. Suliot laid the first brick. Mark hauled sand. weather warm & dry. watered celery in garden.
Aug 4 Clear & warm. Patterson & I went to Suliots but did not lay many brick. nothing was ready. no window sills no door or window frames. sat around the barn nearly all afternoon & came home at 6 oclock. Frank screened sand & Mark hauled it. Went to town after supper. no good. Little Geo had colic terribly in evening cried for more than an hour but finally it quit hurting & he slept soundly all night.

Aug 5 Tremendously hot. Trimmed trees in the grove & raspberry bushes in the field. after noon Frank & I helped Lawson Harper make a bridge near the brickyard. did not finish it. Mark hauled sand in town & a load of coal for Stephen Adams. Aunt Margaret & Mother went to Uncle Tims & the former staid all night.

Aug 6 Clear & hot. put down a piece of pavement on Main street near Baptist church. Attended Farmers meeting in afternoon & took supper with Nina Garrigues. Nora was also there & went calling with Hallie McQuiddy in the evening. Boys picked beans today and Mark helped them afternoon. Frank took nearly 9 bu to McNabbs & there are nearly as many more to pick. Paid Chris Kinnerman 80 dollars & lent E. G. Wait $15.00. something I disliked very much to do. some cloudy in evening but no rain.

Aug 7 Cloudy in the morning when I got up. walked nearly all over the farm before breakfast. Rained some in forenoon but not enough to wet the ground very much. but it laid the dust & cooled the atmosphere & made it very pleasant. Sis & the boys & I took a ride in afternoon down past John Pows in the Egypt road & up past Eli Fawcetts. called at Doc Howells but he & his wife were not at home. Aunt M. got home from Uncle Tims before noon. Nora went to McMillans. I wrote a letter to Sister Fannie.

Aug 8 Clear & pleasant. Worked all day at Suliots. Sam Patterson helping me. got along pretty well, but my sore finger is very painful at times. got home before 7 in evening. The boys with some help from town picked 14 bu beans. Mark did several chores that needed doing about the farm. Wrote a card to H. B. Shelton about the picnic grounds.

Aug 9 Clear warm & windy. worked at Suliots house. Frank took me down & brought the horse back & hauled a few brick. Mark hauled brush out of the grove & plowed a little. Julia & Lena Strong are here to stay all night.

Aug 10 Clear & pleasant. worked at Suliots all day. got along very well. Mark plowed for wheat. Nora went to Uncle Tims to stay a day or two & Aunt Mary Gee is here. glad to have her.

Aug 11 Clear & warm. worked at Suliots. one of my laborers failed to come to t_____

& we did not get along so well. went to town after supper in search of another, but failed to secure one. Frank will wheel brick till I can get someone else. Mark hauled us 10 barrels lime & a few brick to B. L. Ambler. after noon plowed for wheat. Boys picked 390 lbs beans.

Aug 12 Clear & warm. Worked at Suliots house & got along fine. Frank wheeled brick. Mark plowed some & hauled out some manure. Somebodys Jersey bull has given us a good deal of trouble. Myron drove him into the road, but he is back again tonight. breaking down gates & fences. tried to get him tied up but he is such an ugly looking devil. I was afraid of him. very warm night. Nora came home from Uncle Tims & Aunt Mary Gee went home.

Aug 13 Somewhat cloudy but not much rain fell. we put in a full day at Suliots & got along with our work very satisfactorily. Went to town after supper. engaged 2 of Elias Lacys boys to carry brick next week. E. A. Lease & Co paid me $30.00. got a card from H. B. Shelton stating that his picnic grounds were engaged on the day we wanted them so we shall have to postpone our picnic.

Aug 14 Cloudy & cool. trimmed some raspberry bushes. repaired well bucket etc etc. Mother went to Ninas to church today and towards evening Howell & I went up in the buggy & brought her home. While in town she called on Marie Garrigues. Nora & I did the milking in evening.

Aug 15 Clear & cool. Worked at Suliots. have not felt very well being troubled some with diarrhea. felt much better in evening. Patterson also felt unwell & consequently our brick walls did not grow so rapidly as they otherwise would. Mark & Frank hauled some brick in the forenoon & afterwards hauled out manure. Will Frank & Nora go to Elijah Whinerys in the evening.

Aug 16 Clear & pleasant. Worked at Suliots. Myron drove me down and brought the mare back. Sis & children went to town. Mark hauled out manure & Frank cut briers in evening. Frank & Nora went to Ham Howells.

Aug 17 Clear & warm. very dry & dusty. Worked at Suliots. Mother & Aunt Margaret Sis Nora & the boys went visiting at Uncle Jesses. Nora came for me in evening. Mark hauled manure.

Aug 18 Another day at Suliots. fine weather for building brick walls. but very dry. warm & dusty. Went up town after supper hoping to collect some money. I am in need of, but failed to get any. am very tired after getting home. Mark hauled out manure.

Aug 19 Clear & warm. put in the day at Suliots. made a gang way for wheeling brick & Frank wheeled them. All the folks went visiting at Aunt Ura's & while they were away Will Sheets of Washington Iowa came. he is on his way home from an extended visit to the East & will probably remain with us for some days. Went to town after supper.

Morlan & White paid me $50.00 on note. I paid E. Grisele 9.00 & took receipt for the same. Mark hauled brick & also some cinder for pavement on Hawley Avenue. very dry & very dirty.

Aug 20 Clear warm & oh how dry & dusty it is. very hot in forenoon, but more pleasant in afternoon. a fine breeze blowing. got in another day at Suliots. Phil Plater hauled in 3000 soft brick for which I paid him 3.00. Went to town in evening. Sis & Howell also went. Paid Chas. Burrows 6.00 for 4 days work. Paid Shel Parker 5.80 all I owed him. also paid S. Adams $10.00. Mark hauled ___ lbs lime to Suliots, a load of clay to Buckeye & 4 loads cinder on Hawley Avenue.

Aug 21 Some cloudy but no rain. was up early this morning. Ham Howell was here about 5 oclock. stayed at home all day. took a walk over the farm towards evening. in company with Will Sheets. John Sheppard was here this afternoon. Uncle Tim & Aunt Mary stopped a few minutes on their way home from church. Dr & Mrs. Rush were also out a few minutes. The former wanted to see about some brickwork. wrote a letter to Alfred Sheets, Washington Iowa.

Aug 22 Warm dry & dusty. no rain yet. Worked at Suliots. went to town after supper looking for some one to haul brick. help is scarce. every body is busy. which is a good way to be. Am pained to hear of the Presidents bad condition it being he will not recover. Mark plowed for wheat.

Aug 23 The same dry weather. nights are cool tho & days pleasant to work. put in another day at Suliots. Mark finished plowing. Myron took a couple of bu of tomatoes to McNabbs. first of the season. The young folks went down to Aunt Uras in evening. Sis put up some elderberries which Myron gathered. reports from Washington give a gloomy account of the President.

Aug 24 Clear & hot. Worked at Suliots. still the rain comes not. Mark & Myron hauled brick in town & Dick Plater hauled 2 loads to Suliots. got a letter from A. Sheets Washington Iowa. News from Washington City report the President a little better, but I feel it will not last. hope for the best.

Aug 25 Weather warm & dry. the dry weather is good for bricking brick walls & we got in another day at Suliots. Mark and Myron hauled brick some to Suliots & some to different places in town. Dick Plater also hauled 3 loads to Suliots. Christ Kinnerman was out here this morning before I was out of bed. Paid him $15.00. Sis was in town a while today. Nora came & brought us home from building this evening. Will Sheets was over at Uncle Tims.

Aug 26 Hot dry dusty Suliots tired.

Aug 27 Clear, hot & dry. thermometer at 92 in shade at noon. Worked at Suliots till 5 P.M. was then tired enough to quit. didn't get our building quite up to the square. Went

to town after supper. collected some money etc. Hallie McQuiddy spent the day at Unserheim. Myron picked & took to McNabb 9 bu tomatoes. Mark hauled brick & lime to Suliots.

Aug 28 Another hot & dry day. the hottest I think of the season. I was up quite early & as Rilla is away I did the milking. Walked through the fields after the cows. everything in shape of vegetation seems to be drying up. We still have water at the barn for our cattle & horses but I don't know how long it will hold out. till it rains I hope. after dinner hitched Dolly to the buggy & went to both brick yards. got back as soon as possible & sought the shade in the grove. Mercury at 94 in the shade.

Aug 29 Clear & hot. did a big days work at Suliots & got the building up to the square. didn't get done till ½ past 6. Mark hauled us 3 loads of brick after getting his horses shod. Myron picked 7 bushels tomatoes but did not get them to the factory having no horse. the women folks prepared for the picnic which comes off tomorrow if everything is favorable.

Aug 30 Clear & hot, but in the morning there was a fine breeze which made it pleasant for those of us who got an early start to our picnic at Sheltons. Nina Garrigues & daughter Mabel Hallie McQuiddy, Nora & myself were in one rig. there were quite a number of the Family at the picnic, but not so many I think as last year. We passed the day in boat riding, chatting with friends & the younger folks danced by music furnished by the Millville band. Mr. Hewitt brought his instrument down from Salem & took a photograph of us. Came home in the cool of the evening. all tired but all agreeing that they had passed an enjoyable day. am much gratified by hearing good news from Garfield. he is better.

Aug 31 Clear & hot. did not go to Suliots to work today as we were about out of material there & besides I had some matters of business that demanded my attention in town. I saw Dr Rush about some work he wants me to do. collected some money from different persons. R. Hole paid me $100.00 on brick account. Lease & Bro 12.46. Dr. Sturgeon 4.70, John Fisher 13.70, & some others smaller sums. Went to see James Stanley about some hoisting apparatus that I want to use at Suliots. found James Cain up with a broken leg & unwell in other ways. Mark took the derrick etc down in afternoon on a load of sand from Thos Fawcetts. Frank & Myron hauled brick. I loaded some. Will Sheets started home Washington Iowa. will stop in Ashland and W. Liberty.

Sep 1 Had a splendid rain which began a little after 11 A.M. Went to work at Suliots. couldn't make our hoisting rig work to suit us. we wanted to hoist brick in wheel barrows but it would not work. only had one tub & it went very slow. sent to town by Saml. Sharpnack for more tubs, but he could not get them. Patterson & I quit work before 3 oclock. went to the woods and cut some grape vines for handles & put them on lime barrels & have pretty good tubs I think. tho we have not tried them yet. rained considerably in afternoon. Mark hauled brick. Noticed this evening that Robert Tolerton had begun to cut & shock his corn. Went to Reese Brickers & engaged him to set some

grates for Stratton & Daniel tomorrow. Read the Tribune.

Sep 2 Cloudy & clear at intervals & when clear very hot in middle of day. had another fine rain about 2 P.M. & after that it is cooler. Worked at Suliots. Frank came home sick but at night is better. Tine Fuller & daughter Maud came home from Annie Seeds with me in the wagon & will stay all night with us. neither of my boys are well, but nothing very serious ails them I think.

Sep 3 Very pleasant. Worked at Suliots & knocked off at ½ past 5 it being Saturday. Went to town after supper. bought some groceries etc. Sam Bull paid me 17.40 on account. Bro Frank was very sick & I went for Dr Firestone. when he arrived Frank was better. he vomited freely & at 11 oclock is asleep. he should have stayed in the house today instead of picking tomatoes. Mark hauled 3 load of Brick to Suliots & 30 bu tomatoes to McNabb. Mother got a letter from Fannie.

Sep 4 Clear & fine. in the morning Mark & I cut 18 shocks of corn. it was dead ripe & should have been cut several days ago. the balance is not so ripe. After dinner Bun & I went to the Brick yard & after wards to Uncle Tims, stopping at home & getting Sis to go with us. left Geo asleep. came home about 6 P.M. After wards I went to town to look for a tender. got Joe Venable who I fear is not much good.

Sep 5 Clear & one of the hottest days of the year. the thermometer registering 98 & 100 in the shade. There was a good breeze the most of the time where we were working & I did not feel the heat so much. got nearly done at Suliots & Sam will not come tomorrow as I can finish myself. Mark took 10 bushels tomatoes to McNabb & harrowed & rolled wheat ground. he was up at daylight piling sand.

Sep 6 Clear & very hot. thermom. 99 at our house. I finished Brick work at Suliots & brought some of our tools away. am glad it is done. Went to town before coming home. engaged several men to help thresh tomorrow. found our folks nearly done out with the heat & indeed it is very hot.

Sep 7 Clear & hot, but we got along with our threshing much better than I expected. The machine got here in the small hours of the night having come from Berlin. We had plenty of help & all went well barring an occasional breaking of a belt. I cut the bands. Wheat turned out tolerably well about 20 bu per acre, oats did better averaging 53 bu per acre. had 140 bu of wheat & 264 oats.

Sep 8 Clear & hot. went to town immediately after breakfast. Went to Dr Rushs where I have some brick work to do. Spent a couple of hours driving around with him looking for stone window & door sills & somebody to cut them. finally got it all fixed. hauled some brick. took 27 bu wheat & sold to Buckeye 1.30 per bu. also delivered Firm Gees wheat to him. we threshed it here. hauled some brick in afternoon. engaged sett of double harness of Sam Scattergood price 28.00. Mark & Myron picked tomatoes in afternoon.

Sep 9 Was up pretty early and propped some of our peach trees in the grove. they being heavily loaded with fruit. After breakfast Myron & I finished picking tomatoes & I took them to McNabb. 32 bu. in afternoon Frank & I hauled brick. Mark & Frank hauled one load Brick in morning & then Mark harrowed the wheat ground over again. Samuel Gibbons cut corn. began cutting yesterday. Myron helped in afternoon. Sam Patterson came & took our bull home. he will winter him for me. which will be a good thing all round. I shall not need him & Sam will. Very hot in fore part of day. but cooler towards evening. very smoky.

Sep 10 Clear & warm. Got our wheat in. R. Tolertons hired man drilled it in for me. put about 1-1/4 bu per acre. also drilled 1200 lbs bone dust on it. timothy seed about 5 quarts per acre. the ground is very dry & perhaps I have made a mistake in putting wheat in, but will risk it. hauled brick in after noon. while Mark hauled straw some to Firm Gees & some to feed store. Paid Christ Kinnerman 50.00. Billy Pidgeon 45.00, S. Adams 12.25 Frank Hise 5.00 Rillah Nusbaum 5.00. Went to town after supper. got pair of pantaloons Bob Justice made for me. cost 8.85. Bought a water mellon 40 cts. some cooler in evening. Frank went to Leetonia but didn't stay long.

Sep 11 Clear & cooler. heavy thunder to west & northwest this morning before daylight. but no rain of account fell here. I was up pretty early & done the milking after breakfast walked out to the woods & through the corn. Went to town in the buggy after dinner. brought Sister Nina out & toward evening took her home again. The corner stone of Catholic church Salem was laid today. Bishop _____ of Cleveland officiated. a venerable looking man the Bishop is.

Sep 12 Clear & pleasant. cool in early part of day. almost cool enough for frost last night. hauled brick to different places in town & 24 bu tomatoes to factory. Mark hauled 3 loads sand from T. Fawcetts to Dr. Rush. Bro Will is quite unwell. he went to Youngstown yesterday & I guess some way the trip was too much for him. guess he will feel better tomorrow. Am sorry to hear the President is not so well. A new danger has shown itself. lung trouble I hear. Little George has his first tooth. Nora was in town this afternoon.

Sep 13 Morning & evening somewhat cool. clear & pleasant. hauled brick loaded 3000 on car for James Hart New Waterford Ohio. worked some at pavement for Twing Brooks. did not come home to dinner was too busy. Mark hauled load of sand for Dr Rush. Little Howell has had toothache today. Garfield reported better.

Sep 14. Clear & pleasant. Put down a pavement for Twing Brooks on Lundy st. also did a little at Dr. Rush. getting ready to buy brick etc. Mark & the Boys hauled brick etc. Nora was in town afternoon. looks some like rain tonight but fear it will not.

Sep 15 Cloudy & very windy. Worked at Dr Rushs. got started to laying Brick a little before noon. Frank hauled brick till noon & afternoon I got him a trowel & he started to

learn to be a bricklayer. he will make a good one if he sticks to it. he & I went out to Sam Pattersons after supper & he will help us _____. rained a little on us before we got home at ½ past 9 is raining slowly. hope it will keep it up.

Sep 16 Cloudy & tolerably cool. a little rain fell but not enough to stop us from work. Put in a full day at Dr Rushs. Patterson helped me. Mark hauled sand from Thos. Fawcetts, 3 loads. Myron & Samuel Gibbons picked tomatoes, only 12 bushels besides some that the women folks canned. I rode out this evening with Alice McMillen raining very nicely at 7 P.M. Sis was in town this afternoon. Nora is at Uncle Jesses to stay all night. Mother got a letter from sister Fannie. also a West Liberty paper. the letter contained a statement that Debbie Hencilwood a cousin of mine who is visiting in Wyoming Territory had climbed to the top of Cloud Cap mountain. being the first lady who had accomplished the feat.

Sep 17 Cloudy & wet. rained off & on all day. after breakfast Frank & I took Dolly & spring wagon & went out to Sam Pattersons & got a bushel of pears. very nice ones. he would take no pay for them. in afternoon attended Farmers Meeting only a few members were there but we had an interesting talk. Took supper at Norman Garrigues & did not get home till about 8 P.M. Twing Brooks paid me 24.10 for pavement. have had a delightful rain.

Sep 18 Cloudy & pleasant. no rain of account. walked all over the farm in the morning. think some of plowing & sowing to wheat another field. the one we had wheat in last year. the grass seed did not take. Eugene Suliot was over. gave me an order on Farmers Bank for $477.52 still owes me $400.00. tried to buy a cow of him. offered 50.00 but he wants 55 which I think too much. his brother in law Mr. Golberg was over in afternoon to look at the Gibbons place wants to buy it or some other. Aunt Margaret & Nora were at Uncle Tims. Sis & Bun & I took a little ride towards evening. Ella Huddlemyers was here. Nina & Reddy went to McMillans in evening.

Sep 19 Clear & cloudy at intervals. very warm for a while in afternoon. Worked at Dr Rushs. Frank & Myron loaded 5000 Brick for James Bucies New Waterford. Mark plowed for wheat. President Garfield died at 10 P.M.

Sep 20 Clear & fine. Worked at Dr Rushs in afternoon. started down to Eugene Suiots but met his wife on the road. she fixed the matter about which I wanted to see him. The Nation mourns the death of James A. Garfield. Most of the shops shut down & but little business was done in afternoon. Business & private houses being draped in mourning.

Sep 21 Clear & warm. Worked at Dr Rushs till noon when we had got the first story completed. after dinner I drew 477.50 from Farmers Bank an acct of E. Suliot. Bought & paid for ½ ton of Bone Meal of L. T. Pow. Bought a cow of E. Suliot & brought her home. think we shall like her. paid 50 dollars for her. Paid C. Kinneman $139.00. Mark finished plowing & took some grain to mill. also 14 bu tomatoes to McNabb. Frank & Myron picked them. Sis & the boys were in town in after noon & Mother was there all

day.

Sep 22 Clear & warm. Worked at Rushs all day. got all done that we can do till we get more window sills. Mark harrowed wheat ground and brought home grist from Buckeye. Sis & Bun went to town with him & we all came home together. Frank & Myron hauled brick. Paid Sam Patterson $100.00 in gold for Bricklaying. deposited $200.00 in 1st National Bank.

Sep 23 Clear & pleasant. some cloudy in forenoon but no rain. Hauled brick with both teams in afternoon. Mark having got the wheat ground ready for business. Wrote to James Hart New Waterford requesting him to pay me for some brick I sent him. Stephen Adams & Myron dug potatoes which are not turning out very well.

Sep 24 Clear & cloudy at intervals no rain yet (noon). have just finished drilling an second field of wheat. Joe Smitty attended the machine & I drove. put on about 5 bu & a peck of wheat & 900 lbs Bone on 414 acres measured by the drill. Aunt Mary Gee is here. in afternoon Frank & I hauled brick & Mark & Myron put in potatoes in the cellar. 27 bu.

Sep 25 Clear & warm. Made some tubs to feed cows before breakfast. took a walk with Bun. brought some tomatoes to the house & afternoon Bun & Mabel & I went out to Sam Pattersons. Sister Nina is here & will stay all night. Robert _____ called to see about some brick. Alice & Ernest McMillan Mrs. Frank Watson & Mrs. Norris the latter from C_____ came here in evening.

Sep 26 Clear & cloudy at intervals warm. Went to town soon after breakfast. took Nina Garrigues home & brought out some paint for house that Samuel Gibbons lives in. afterwards went over to Uncle Tims & got a crock of lard & took it to Mrs. Trimbles. called to see Chris Kinnerman who is sick with typhoid fever. in afternoon attended Garfield Memorial services in Presbyterian church. had speaking by J. K. Rukenbrod, Jacob Heaton, A. B. Maxwell & L. J. Lyle. none of them very fine speakers. A great many Salem people went to Cleveland to attend the funeral of President Garfield. He was a representative American & in my humble estimation one of the greatest men everything considered) of the day. I shall get the History of his life for my boys to read when they are old enough for I think they can profit by it. Poor Garfield cut down in the prime of his life & usefulness to country. A whole nation mourns his loss. He leaves forever a deathless name & his example is a shining light to the youth of Free America.

Sep 27 Cloudy & in forenoon wet. had a glorious rain which began to fall sometime in the night. After breakfast I started to collect some money. a necessary article that I am somewhat short of at present. did not have very good success. got $21.70 from Buckeye Engine Co. all they owed me. Paid A. D. Kelley $5.35 for spouting. in afternoon Mark & I hauled a few brick & he afterwards took to McNabb 13 bu tomatoes which Frank & Myron picked. I bought 50 lbs sugar from E. & Lease & co for 5.25. left my pocket

book lying on their show case & & didn't miss it until I had eaten supper at home. rode up & got it from Theo Lease who had picked it up. Nora was in town this afternoon.

Sep 28 Partially clear & cloudy. when the sun shone out it was very hot. Went to work at Dr Rushs but did not do much till afternoon. Mark hauled wood to brick yard & Frank & Myron hauled brick in forenoon & afterwards picked & took to McNabb 8 bu tomatoes. I received 18 dollars by express from Jas. Hart New Waterford Ohio. he made me pay ex. charges engaged an oil tank of W. J. Clark & Co. think it will pay us to have one as the last barrel of carbon oil I bought leaked badly. Mother got a fine photograph of Hallie McQuiddy of New Albany Ind. Ned Honslow of West Liberty Iowa passed through here on train. Frank went to station & saw him. he is on his way home from a visit to New York. Cloudy in evening.

Sep 29 Clear & cloudy at intervals. no rain after daylight. rained a good deal in the night. Worked today at Dr Rushs. have not felt first rate & am tired at night. Frank & Myron hauled brick & Mark hauled wood.

Sep 30 Do not write this up until Sunday morning & have forgotten what transpired. nothing of much importance however. I know I worked at Dr Rushs & that Mark hauled wood to Brickyard & the Boys hauled brick.

Oct 1 Cloudy and pleasant. worked at Rushs & got 2nd story nearly completed. Have had several calls for brick but alas have none to sell. Went to town after supper. Paid off all my hands except Patterson. also gave Mark 6.00 & he bought of F. Alexander a rubber overcoat for 5.50. a very good one it should be. got a carbon oil can of W. J. Clark & Co for which I paid 6.50 & I furnished the cork. also have a barrel of oil which I bought yesterday of E. A. Lease & Co for 11 cts per gallon. E. A. L. paid me 12.50 on rent for quarter ending Sept 30. raining at bed time.

Oct 2 Rained all last night & at short intervals rained slowly all day today. I was up pretty early & done the milking. afterwards walked out the lane looking for sow & pigs. found them after breakfast, 8 young pigs. Bun saw them yesterday while at the tomato patch. Mr. Burt had a couple of horses here last night belonging to a friend of his. Sis & the Boys & I were over to Uncle Tims and spent most of the day. had a pleasant visit. coming home stopped at Chris Kinnemans a minute. he, poor fellow I fear is past recovery. Went up to Dr Rushs before night to see what effect the rain was having on my walls. found them all right. Nick Geigerwas here today to look at a cow. Nora got a letter from Will Sheets.

Oct 3 Partially clear & cloudy. Worked at Dr Rushs. Mark hauled wood & the boys hauled brick.

Oct 4 Cloudy & wet drizzled slowly a good portion of the day. finished brick work at Dr Rushs a little after noon & it took about all the brick I have on hand. Frank & Myron

picked 35 bu tomatoes & Mark & I hauled them to McNabb in afternoon. A good deal cooler in evening & we have a fire in our bed room.

Oct 5 Frank & Myron finished the tomatoes & took 29 Bu to McNabbs. I worked at Fugates cellar on Dry street. in afternoon Patterson & Will Nusbaum helped me. I went & finished at Dr Rushs. Mark hauled wood & took 2 bed ticks to town. Quite cool in evening & I think will be a frost tonight.

Oct 6 And there was a frost tho not a very heavy one. have not been to see whether it damaged our tomatoes or not. Very pleasant today tho cool again in evening. I worked at Fugates cellar & got a long very well. had to walk to & from my work as Myron has Dolly away to Canfield Fair. Frank also went with Kirks horse & buggy. Mary Hillsmith was here today. should have been glad to have seen her. Mark finished hauling the wood & now for something else.

Oct 7 Clear & fine. Finished Fugates cellar before noon. Paid off all my hands & after noon repaired a cistern for James Stanley. Bun went with me & stayed all afternoon. Brought home a dough tray that Seeds & Young made for me. cost 2.50. also bought some new lids & top pieces for cooking stove & some hair & nails for plastering. Mark hauled some brick & brought home scaffold boards etc from Rushs. Frank & Myron picked some apples etc. Nora & Will go to a dance tonight.

Oct 8 Partially clear & cloudy. had a heavy shower of rain in the afternoon. Ike & Bill Baker plastered a closet for me in the forenoon. I attended them. borrowed a pump from W. J. Clark & Co & transferred a barrel of carbon oil with a tank I bought some days ago. John Webb & son Eddie of West Liberty were here. took dinner with us. after dinner we walked over the farm. grass is growing fast & everything looks green almost as spring. Walked up town with John. went to Brick yard & paid Wm Pidgeon $35.00. I only owed them $2.10 after they pay me for rent of yard & wood for new kiln. but as they cannot realize anything on their brick ill they get them burnt, I let them have some money & will take payment in brick. also paid G. Woods 3.45 balance I owed him for chopping cord wood. also paid W. Slagle 8.00 for sand. was almost strapped when A. M. Fryate paid me $81.70 for cellar wall I finished yesterday. will pay on the bal. of 190.00 when the chimneys are done. I was taken very sick on the street while talking to H. M. Turner. went to Dr Rushs & he brought me home in his buggy. was very sick for several hours. vomited freely. had severe dizziness in my head. laid in bed till

Oct 9 Sunday afternoon I feel better. have just eaten some toast & tea & took a walk down the lane. am weak & have a bad feeling in the head. think I shall go to bed again. Rained a good deal last night & a portion of today. Sister Nina & Uncle Jesse were out. also Mrs. Emily Robinson who took dinner with us, or rather with the rest of the family as I did not go to table. Weather very bright & warm. Rachel Gee & Geo. called in afternoon. I have been in bed most of the day but feel much better than I did last night.

Oct 10 Clear & cooler. Think I feel better than I did yesterday, but am most

comfortable when lying down. walked down the road a little way this morning & out the lane this afternoon. was glad to get back to the house after each trip. the boys Frank & Myron are picking tomatoes & Mark is hauling clay to Buckeye Works. Uncle Jesse was here to dinner. Nora has gone to town. Frank took to McNabb 23 bu tomatoes, also took oil can to W. J. Clark & Co for repairs. Mark also brought home part of a load of corn which Gibbon husked for us. Cold at night.

Oct 11 Heavy frost last night. I rested right well & feel considerably better this morning, tho weak. Samuel Patterson was here & we walked out the lane to wheat field. gave him 3 pumpkins for free, as he raised none this year. Eugene Suliot was here & borrowed my sand screen. Sis Geo & I went to town in spring wagon in afternoon. I went to vote. voted the Republican State & County ticket except County Commissioner. for this office I voted for my neighbor James Seaton, a democrat but a good fellow. Mark hauled a load of coal home in forenoon & afternoon a load of clay to Buckeye. I deposited while in town 75 dollars in 1st National Bank. Myron & Frank picked apples & about finished the job. Christ Kinneman died between 12 & 1 oclock today of typhoid fever, has been sick some weeks.

Oct 12 Cloudy & wet in forenoon. rained pretty hard early in the morning. cleared off warm towards noon. As soon as it stopped raining I went up to Kinnemans to see whether I could do anything for them. in afternoon at Mrs. K's request I went in search of a preacher to speak at the funeral tomorrow. The Rev. Harmon Reeves promised to come. he lives south of town 2 or 3 miles. stopped at Uncle Tims a few minutes. found tham as well as usual. Mother went up to Sister Ninas to stay a few days. Mark & the Boys hauled some straw to town & some fodder home. Sam L. Adams put our apples in the cellar etc etc. I bought 200 strands of tarred rope to tie corn fodder.

Oct 13 Cloudy & Autumn like. was up earlier than for several mornings last past. did the milking & undertook to do some carpenter work in new closet but did not feel very well & stopped before I completed the job. went to bed a while. have an uncomfortable feeling in my head. Afternoon Howell &I took a walk. went out to the fields & to the woods. gathered a few nuts. chestnuts & Hickorys. Aunt Margaret & Frank attended Christ Kinnemans funeral after they came home I took horse & buggy & went to town a little while.

Oct 14 Cloudy & cool. Have felt better today & have been out a good deal. Took Sis & the boys & Aunt Margaret to town in forenoon & brought them home in afternoon. called on Mrs. Kinnaman & had a talk with her about business matters. took dinner with rest of the folks at Ninas. bought Bun a new cap etc. brought the cows & milked in eve. Mark & boys husked corn. F. Alexander paid me $56.25 & E. A. Lease ____ $75.00.

Oct 15 Clear & warm. looked at the thermometer this afternoon at 3 oclock & it stood at 80. which is quite warm for time of year. I went up to Mrs. Kinnamans early this morning & had a talk with her about matter of business. she wants me to act as

Administrator of her late husbands Estate. I am loth to do it as I am not very well & seem to have enough to attend to at present. on the other hand she is ignorant of the kind of business she would be called on to transact, is alone in the world & is anxious I should do it & so I suppose I shall. Little Geo was taken very sick this forenoon. vomiting etc. Dr Rush came out immediately after dinner & left some medicine. I have just been in to see him again (8 P.M.) he thought it not worth while to come again tonight. but Geo is quite unwell. I think it is on account of his teeth. Little Howell is sound asleep & must have been very tired tonight. has been out doors all day. hauling pumpkins etc with my son & digging in the lane. Old Stinky (brindle cow) has a fine calf. Mark & Frank went up to Pats at noon. Wrote a letter to Mrs. E. M. England as matter of business. Deposited $100.00 in 1st National Bank.

Oct 16 Rained most of last night. We were up most of the night with Little Geo who was real sick all night. had no more vomiting spells but was feverish & uncomfortable. I laid down at ½ past 3 & when I awoke between 6 & 7 George was better & has been all right again. Dr Rush expressed no opinion as to the cause of his sickness, but we suppose it comes from teething. he seems to be about all right again tonight or at any rate is very much better than last night. Bessie Rush was here in forenoon & she & Nora & Will went chestnutting & found a few nuts. not enough frost to make them fall freely. Howell & I had a long walk in the woods. turned the colts in lower pasture & gathered a few nuts. I was also in town a while in spring wagon. called at Aunt Libs & Sister Ninas. Myron & I have the chores to do & it amount with the milking to considerable. are trying to wean a young calf in the bargain. Weather splendid. clear warm & pleasant. grass growing & pasture very good.

Oct 17 Cloud & clear. towards night a heavy shower accompanied by thunder & lightning. have been in town most of the day attending to different matters. Went to Ambler & Sons office & got papers necessary for application as Administrator of C. Kinneman. afterwards called on Mrs. Kinneman. Engaged a pump for our well of John Tescher. price with wind mill attachments 31.10 & satisfaction guaranteed. sold to E. A. Leases 2 empty oil barrels for 75 cts each. bought a piece of dried beef for $1.44. collected a little money. Nora began work as clerk in Brian Bros dry goods store. saw here at noon & she likes it so far. she has taken a room at Aunt Libs & will board herself. Myron picked & marketed 8 bu tomatoes.

Oct 18 Cloudy & cooler. rained a little in the morning. Myron & I took a load of brick to gas works. made a cover for well & got ready for the pump but John did not come to put it in. filled up closet etc. Sent application papers & bond to Probate Judge. Aunt Margaret went to town in afternoon.

Oct 19 Cloudy & moderately cool. have been at home most of the day. John Tescher came out this morning & fitted up the pump & I think we shall like it first rate. tastes some what disagreeable yet but suppose it will soon get over that. finished woodwork in closet. put up shelves etc. afterwards done some work at the barn. went to town with

the buggy & brought the 2 mothers home. they were at Uncle Jesses. got a letter from Sister Fannie. also one from Mrs. E. M. England also from Henry Luskey Commissioner of Labor Statistics, Columbus Ohio requesting information. Mark & Frank came home on noon train.

Oct 20 Clear & pleasant. In the morning went out to cemetery & gave directions to James Stanley about removing the remains of my Father & little daughter & Uncle Howell to another lot. afterwards hauled a couple of loads of brick. laid of some walks at Layngs & helped some with the corn. selected seed corn etc. Mark husked in forenoon & afterwards hauled wood from Brickyard to Kinnamans kiln. also took some plank to Sam Elton. I paid interest on Mrs. Englands note $4.50.

Oct 21 Clear & pleasant. Hauled some brick & stone. Myron husked & hauled in corn. Mark is sick pain in stomach. Mrs. Jennie Howell of Salem, Mrs. Mary Lavann of Cheyenne W. T. & her sister Miss Sadie Gordon of Knox County Ohio visited us today. had a very nice time & we are glad they came. fine weather.

Oct 22 Clear & fine. did some work for Ab Fugate on dry st. hauled a few brick. went to town with Sis in afternoon. Looked at some materials for an overcoat for Howell. went to Kinnamans Brk yd to measure some wood. went to town again after supper bought some groceries etc. L. Harper paid me 4.20 which was all the money I took in.

Oct 23 Clear & fine. Spent most of the day at home going over to Kinnemans Brk yd in afternoon to measure some wood. Sis & the Boys went with me. Wm Brown came over in morning to look at a steer I offered for sale. sold him to Wm for 46.00. fair price for a 2 year old. Mrs. Eli Fawcett & daughter Lina called & stayed an hour or more. Gertie Wait was also here. Nora was at home all day & was glad to get here from the store. Sister Nina was also here. also Mabel & Louie Gasehen. Nina & Mabel have been with Norman on a visit to Toledo. had a pleasant time.

Oct 24 Cloudy with slight drizzle at times. got up this morning feeling quite unwell. went to bed again before breakfast & have been there all day. very dizzy when I sit up. Sis went to town & got some medicine for me of Dr Rush. feel some better tonight. Uncle Tim was here a while. Mark hauled some sand & Myron & Frank jobbed around the latter went to Sam Pattersons & engaged him to build some chimneys for me. hoped to do it myself but am not well enough.

Oct 25 Have been in the house nearly all day. brought up the cows in the evening & milked one of them. Mark & Myron hauled brick & sand & Frank attended Sam Patterson who is building chimneys for me.

Oct 26 Clear & fine. too fine to stay in the house comfortably but here I was all day & in bed most of the time. took a dose of Wrights pills & hope they will do me good. I brought the cows this eve & they got away from me & went towards town. Mark who was bringing a load of coal met them & turned them back. Sis was to town in the

forenoon. bought some lining for Howell's overcoat & very nice handkerchief for myself this being my 37th birthday. Frank & Patterson worked at chimneys in town & Myron & Sam Gibbons husked corn. Eliza Kinnaman & her Mother Mrs. Hicks called this afternoon, the former on business.

Oct 27 Clear & fine. lovely weather. was up town a couple of times in the buggy. went to Kinnamans Brk yd. where H. Kinnaman & Mitchell Ackleson are burning a kiln. thought they were getting a good burn. Got Administration papers for Estate of C. Kinnaman, Probate fees $5.16 a damd imposition. they should not cost the half of it. paid the amount to B. S. Ambler who said he was going to Lisbon tomorrow & would pay the amt to Probate Judge & get his receipt for the same. J. B. McNabb paid me $75.20 for Beans & tomatoes. James Whinnery paid me 14.00 for Brick. Aunt Margaret & mother visited at McMillans. Ana Furley is here in evening. Little Geo was taken very suddenly sick again this afternoon. had Dr Rush come out to see him. he thought his sickness came from indigestion & left some medicine. he seems better at 7 oclock.

Oct 28 Cloudy & in afternoon wet. Little Geo was quite feverish all night but has seemed all right again today. I have also felt better & spent a good portion of the day in town. Paterson & Frank finished the chimneys they were at & Ab. Fugate paid me $50.00. I paid J. M. Brown $16.14 all I owed him. deposited 150.00 in Farmers Bank. got Dolly shod in front. Mark husked and hauled in more corn in forenoon & afterwards took to Geo W. Thomas 900 lbs hay at 75 cts per hundred. Myron stirred apple butter & whitewashed the hen house. Frank got a letter from Uncle John Enlow.

Oct 29 Clear & fine very pleasant tho it rained nearly all of last night. The boys & I put down a pavement on Hawley Avenue for Judge Laubie. Frank doing most of the work. I was in town part of the day. put up notices of Appraisement. Estate of C. Kinnaman. Bun went to town with me in afternoon but came home with Mark who brought home a grist from Buckeye Mill.

Oct 30. Clear & pleasant in forenoon. after breakfast Howell & I took a stroll to the woods. gathered some chestnuts & hickory nuts. wrote a letter to Uncle John Enlow & a note to Hon. R. G. Richards Steubenville & asking for a copy of Ohio Agricultural Report. After dinner Sis & Boys & I drove out to John Leschers. I went to look at his Holstein cattle 2 cows & a bull. pretty good cattle I judge for milk but rougher built then the short horn. after coming home from there Nora Bun & I went to Uncle Tims a few minutes. found them pretty well. Levi Strahley called & spent evening with us. Raining at bed time.

Oct 31 Cloudy. no rain of account. Set an iron Mantel & grate for Seeds & Young in Wm Morris' new house. have another to set there. Sis went to town this afternoon & went to Uncle Jesse who is very sick with dysentery. Mark hauled some sand in town & afternoon hauled a load of household goods for Mitchell Ackelson.

Nov 1 Cloudy, foggy & damp. Worked at the grates at Wm Morris new house. got the second one set but it would not work. The chimney was not built for it. can change it & make it work right and will do it tomorrow. bought a pair of boots of R. Jobes 4.50. sold my others to Mark. Aunt Margaret was in town to see Uncle Jesse who was a little better. Mark hauled a load of coal to Dr. Sampsell & in afternoon husked some corn. Sis got a letter from our old friend Flo Johnson who is in Alliance.

Nov 2 Clear & fine in afternoon. finished grate setting at W. Morris & after an early dinner Sis & I went with the Boys to Hewittsh gallery to have Georges photograph taken but he wouldn't be still so we could not get a satisfactory picture. Went to Dr Rushs & had both the children vaccinated & afterwards walled more cellar windows for John Fugate on Dry st. went to Ninas a while & got home in time to do the milking. got a paper from Louisville containing acct of the laying of corner stone of New bridge across the Ohio river at New Albany Ind. Robert Hole paid me $100.00 which I deposited in 1st Nat. Bank. Mark & Samuel Gibbons husked corn all day & Frank husked till noon. Settled with Dr. Firestone owed & paid him $2.50. got a prescription for medicine for myself. Rillah went home to stay several days.

Nov 3 Cloudy & raw & cold. Put in most of the day attending to Kinneman business. had the appraisement etc. Samuel Grove, John Callahan & Chas E. Davis were the appraisers. I paid Mrs. Kinnaman $40.00. Called to see Uncle Jesse who is very sick. Settled with Dr Rush. he owed and paid me $70.43. took his receipt for amount I paid him for the Estate of D. H. Hise $453.00. am glad to have it settled as it was an old account of about 15 years standing. Mark & Frank knocked around.

Nov 4 Cloudy & pretty cold. snow (a little) on ground this morning. Was in town most of the day. Paid Fred Hoyles $34.85 for Estate of C. Kinnaman. called on Robert Tolerton in afternoon, but he was sick and unable to talk business.

Nov 5 Warmer & more pleasant. still I wore an overcoat all day. Made a deed to Aunt Mary Hise for the property they live in. B. L. Ambler came out & we all signed it. took it in and gave it to Aunt Mary so now they have a home they can call their own. Uncle Jesse is very sick. Dr. Firestone thinks the chances of recovery are largely against him. hope that Dr may be mistaken. Took Mother in afternoon to see Uncle Jesse. rained very hard when we were coming home. Judge Laubie Paid me $35.75, F. Alexander $35.00, Mrs. F. Layng $63.57. Settled with Wm & Ed Pidgeon owed & paid them $12.25 & took their receipt in full. deposited 150.00 in 1st National. Wrote a letter to Uncle Geo Hise.

Nov 6 Clear & pleasant. Cloudy in evening. Was up early & did the milking before breakfast. Afterwards took Aunt M to Uncle Jesses & Bun & I went over to Robert Tolertons. Robert was in bed suffering with a carbuncle or something like it. he invited us to stay & help eat a turkey but we had to decline. Mr. Hewitt came out with his camera & took Mothers picture. think he got a good negative. Edward Garrigues (Normans Uncle) came out with Mabel in afternoon & we walked out to the woods.

Mother Nora & Bun went to Uncle Tims. Sis & Nora went to Uncle Jesses in evening. Uncle J. seems a little better & I hope he is. Their son Frank arrived from Philadelphia this evening. Granville Watson came out & paid me $7.50 he has owed me a good while. Wrote cards to Uncle Geo. Hise & Cousin Mollie Enlow.

Nov 7 Cloudy and wet. Frank & I went to town immediately after breakfast. Met Sam Patterson & we were all going out to James Whinerys to build a cistern, but it soon began to rain & we didn't go. Bought a large goods box of F. Alexander & started home, stopping at Uncle Jesses on the way. Aunt Mary thought perhaps that Uncle was a little better, but I fear very little. saw Frank there eldest son whose home is in Philadelphia. While in town I paid John M. Satterthwait $33.00 interest. stayed at home balance of day. put in a new manger in cow stable & churned. Mark hauled load of sawdust for Trimbles in forenoon. Rained steadily all day.

Nov 8 Clear warm & pleasant. Spent most of the day in town arranging business matters preparatory to my visit to Louisville. Paid L. B. Webb $222.66 the amount of a note with interest on which D. H. Hise was security for R. P. Justice. Robert was unable to pay it so we had to. he (R.P.J.) paid me 17.56 in shape of a new coat which I got from him today. Sis & the children were in town in afternoon. Mabel Garrigues came home with us. Joshua Hilliard paid me 5.00 on acct. Mark hauled a couple of loads coal for L. Sharpnack. I bought some collars, gloves & etc. R. Hole gave me his note for $20.80 & he & his Brother Jacob their joint note for $35.00.

Nov 9 Cloudy & wet in the morning, but cleared off by noon & latter part of day was clear & rather pleasant. Spent most of the day in town. went in morning to see how Uncle Jesse got along. found him a little better. Went up town accompanied by Frank (Uncle Jesses oldest son) who came home with me & stayed to dinner. Paid Carr & Tescher $31.74 on my corn acct & 8.00 on acct of Estate of C. Kinamman. Took Howell to town in afternoon & got Dr Rush to re-vaccinate him as the 1st one did not take. got Mothers pictures from Mr. Hewitt. like them tolerably well.

Nov 10 Partially clear & cloudy. quite cool out of doors. Went to Uncle Jesses soon after breakfast. found him decidedly better & concluded to start to Louisville this afternoon. after transacting some business in town took my wife & boys & Aunt Margaret & went over to Uncle Tims. after dinner which Mother prepared during our absence Sis Bun & I went to town & have just got back. Bought a Lg knife & Sis engaged cloth of R. P. Justice for a new cloak for herself. got a letter from Flo Johnson. also recd one to Nora from Sister Fannie. Started for Louisville on 5 oclock train.

[Note: There is a gap in this Journal from Nov. 11 through Dec. 8]

Dec 9 And arrived at home at 10 A.M. today having neglected my Journal & have not written in it for four weeks. had a very pleasant visit & am glad to get home again. Sis & Bun met me at the depot. found the folks are as well as usual. went to town in afternoon.

called at Sister Ninas & at other places.

Dec 10 Rec'd a call from Buckeye Engine Co who want some brick. I called there & then went to Pidgeons & got the brick for them. Went to town in afternoon. called at Mrs. Kinnamans who got home today from a visit to the country. paid Howard Bardo 17.80 for Estate of C. Kinnaman. drew 50 dollars from 1st National Bank. paid A. M. Morlan 10 dollars for painting Gibbons house still owe them some. Went to town after supper but did not stay long.

Dec 11 Clear & cold. fine winter weather. did the milking this morning, first time for 4 weeks. After dinner went to town to see Aunt Mary Hise. Sister Nina & Mabel came out in afternoon. Bro Will was also here. Frank took his trunk to Dr. Yenglings where he goes to board. wrote a letter to Elmer C. Hise Louisville Ky. he is a young man who makes his home with my Uncles folks in Louisville & he did much to make my visit there a pleasant one. I think he is one of the most kindhearted & unselfish of men & I like him. Cloudy in evening and is snowing some.

Dec 12 Cloudy and wet. Was about home nearly all day making one trip to town in afternoon to deliver some turkeys & chickens, 5 of each to Joel Sharp. we dressed them & they came to $9.55. Samuel Patterson was here & took home with him 3 pigs which I sold him for $5.00. Mark ____ed around the place. too wet to do much. Saw Eugene Suliot in town & agreed to go to his place one day this week to set some grates.

Dec 13 Cloudy & some rain. went to town in morning & went to Woodruffs foundry to see about some work. also to Victor Stove Works. in afternoon stayed home while Sis went to town. Mark hauled a load of coal for L. Sharpnack. Bought a brush for the cows & tried it on.

Dec 14 Cloudy & wet. stayed at home all day. worked in the shop some & in afternoon did the feeding for Mark who hauled a load of coal for L. Sharpnack. Sis & Bun went to town in afternoon. Mother got a letter from Uncle Wm Hise & I some papers from Louisville. wrote a letter to Uncle Wm.

Dec 15 Cold with some snow in forenoon. Went to Eugene Suliots to put up some slate mantels. got one up and have another for tomorrow. roads terribly rough. Mark took grain to mill.

Dec 16 Worked at Suliots but did not get done. Patterson helped me. Robert Hannay while trying to cut the hearth to fit the grate broke it all to pieces. will have to put up Mantel without the hearth. Mark hauled a load of coal. Aunt Margaret was in town a while. Weather some warmer.

Dec 17 Finished the second grate & Mantel at Suliots. wanted to get done in time to attend Farmers meeting this afternoon but couldn't make it. was 5 oclock when I got

home. went to town after supper. got a letter from Elmer C. Hise Louisville. also one from J. L. Brooke W Liberty. Went around to Ninas & stayed an hour or more.

Dec 18 Clear & pleasant. Took a walk out the lane to the woods. Sis & the boys & I went over to Uncle Tims & spent the day. had a pleasant time. roads tolerably good. in evening wrote a letter to Uncle Wm Hise. Gertie Wait, John Sheppard & Harry Hise are here. Bro Frank was also out awhile. Beautiful night. stars are shining brightly.

Dec 19 Clear & fine. Went to town soon after breakfast for some soap. worked a while in the shop. making milk covers & Bought a new hand saw of Kirk Allen & Thomas for which I paid $1.50. sold a pig to John Campbell for $1.50. after noon took one of the cows to John Pows & from there to Eli Fawcetts. went to town after coming back home. sold 4-3/4 lbs butter to Geo Thomas for $1.40. Mark hauled a load of manure from Jim Reeds & afternoon a load of coal for Sharpnack.

Dec 20 Cloudy & in afternoon wet. stayed about home most of the day working in shop. Sis went to town in afternoon. in forenoon I took Aunt Margaret to town. Bun went along. looked at some of the Christmas goods in the store windows. Aunt M. will stay a couple of days. Mark hauled a load of coal for L. Sharpnack & in afternoon a load of clay to Purdy & Baird.

Dec 21 Cloudy & wet. rained slowly nearly all day. went to town in the morning. Paid A. Lemmon $21.38 for Estate of C. Kinnaman. worked in shop most of the day. Mark hauled a load of coal for S. Adams. Frank came _____ in evening. Has been a wet day.

Dec 22 Cloudy & wet. drizzled rain most of the day. spent the forenoon in town. Bought a Christmas present for Sister Fannie (a pocket boutonaire) which Nina sent with some other things in a box. Went around to Aunt Lib Waits. found her in a peck of trouble all on account of their not being able to pay their rent & the owners of the house have commenced proceedings to put them out. They are behind now $75.00 & expect us to pay it. my first impulse was to pay it, but tonight after talking it over with Sis have concluded not to. Aunt Lib, Uncle Ez & Myron are all as able to work as any of us & Aunt Lib does work, but her husband is too proud or too lazy to work & Mccawber like hangs around waiting for something to turn up. nothing ever does turn up & never will till he takes hold & helps turn it. We are willing to do for Aunt Lib & her children but be darned if we feel like supporting him. Didn't go to town afternoon. worked some in the shop. Mark knocked around at odd jobs. took up the pork out of brine & hung it in smoke house. picked the apples over & carried out the rotten ones. Dr. Sambsell paid me 7.87 on acct. Mrs. Trimble 7.67 & Allan Bosu for Salem Gas light Co $3.25.

Dec 23 Snow falling when we got up this morning. after I got my chores done I went to McMillans for a couple of turkeys. shot two & the rest scattered to the 4 winds. got the folks to dress one for Nina & the other I took to Warrick Hale. Went to Aunt Libs & reluctantly told her that we could not pay their rent. Brought Aunt Margaret & Nora home with me. Nora had to leave the store today on account of a boil which is troubling

her a good deal. J. W. Sell paid me $50.00 for a wagon of C. Kinnamans. Bought some groceries etc. Mark hauled a load of coal. Bun got a package from Louisville containing a picture on muslin of Santa Claus. have not shown it to him & will not till Christmas.

Dec 24 Clear & fine. immediately after breakfast I took my gun & shot five turkeys. 2 for McMillans & 3 that I sold in town. Sis & I went to town in forenoon. purchased some things for Christmas. I went again in afternoon & stayed till dark. had a talk with J. M. Evans. at night after the children are both in bed we go to work fixing the Christmas tree & do not get to bed till about midnight.

Dec 25 Morning clear & fine. in consequence of getting to bed so late none of us got up very early. as soon as I awoke which was about 6 oclock) I finished up & lit up the Christmas tree & then called Bun. How tickled he was & how big his eyes were. Our tree looks very beautiful & will not hold half the presents & the heavier articles are placed upon a table. all hearts are glad and happy this beautiful morning. Little George is quite unwell tho & has been for several days. think he caught cold in going over to Uncle Tims last Sunday. We think he is some better this morning. Dr Rush was to see him the day before yesterday & left some medicine which we have given him. while I write he is sleeping normally in his crib & while I am of course somewhat anxious about him as I always am when anything is amiss. I think it is nothing more serious than a cold & that he is better now. Have just got back from town. Bun & I went up to Ninas with Mother who stayed to eat her Christmas dinner with Nina & Norman. They too have a Christmas tree & Mabel is happy. I will not try to enumerate the presents we each got but they are many & handsome. Little Bun has been very sick this afternoon. had a chill & afterwards a very high fever. think it is up again. Dr Rush came to see him. he seems much better this evening.. I brought Mother home from Nina's. J. Sheppard came out this afternoon. Alice McMillan, Frank Watsons & E McMillan also called. also Harry Hise.

Dec 26 Cloudy & wet. drizzled rain most of the forenoon. Mark & I hauled load of straw to F. Gee & Co. Sent Money order to Ohio Farmer for $2.25. also subscribed for Salem Republican & Harpers Bazaar. paid J. K. Rukenbrod for the two papers $5.20. also paid him 2.75 for printing. $2.00 of it being for Estate of C. Kinnaman. Little Geo was very restless last night & the rest of us were too. Rilla went home last evening & came back across lots before breakfast this morning. after dinner I walked to town & stayed till dark. Had a talk with John P. Hogan about a contemplated brick building. also with Mr. Clark about a brick dwelling. sat awhile in Carr & Teschers Hardware store talking about wind _____.

Dec 27 Cloudy & damp & wet. drizzled rain most of the day. Went to the house of Mr. Clark on Franklin Avenue & looked at plans of a new house. made a rough estimate of what it would cost or I mean what the brick walls would cost. Didn't get home till past noon. Mark met me in the buggy on Lisbon st. while I was away one of the cows had twin calves. had some trouble & Mark went for Jim Reed to help him. one of the calves is all right, but the other seems weak. in afternoon Mark & I worked at putting the door in back end of the barn. got the frame in. after milking I went to town a few minutes.

took some things to Nora and got a letter from Uncle Wm Hise. J. Sheppard called in evening. I wrote a letter to J. L. Brooke. Went to bed a little after 9 & soon after heard a knock at the door. Charley Burt a neighbor who wanted to put some horses (belonging to friends of his) in the barn. went with them & did not get to bed till after 10.

Dec 28 Partially clear & cloudy. very pleasant. inforenoon went to J. M. Strattons house on depot st corner of Dry st. & fixed a grate. afternoon went out to Sam Pattersons. intend to bring home my bull, but the roads are very bad & I thought I could not manage him alone. F. Alexander paid me $50.00 that he borrowed a few days ago. Rilla went home. one of her sisters is to be married tomorrow.

Dec 29 Cloudy & damp. Worked at home all forenoon. got one door hung in back end of barn. after dinner went to town bought some paper of E. McMillan & looked over our accounts. they still owe us $7.32. Rented brickyard to Wm & Ed Pidgeon for 62-1/2 cts per thousand. they to dig clay so that water will drain off & allow me the first chance to buy their brick if I want them at market price. I give them 1st chance at my wood at market price. bought some beef steak for Bun who is some better today. Geo is right well again. Called at the store to see Nora. got the Tribune. Mr. Burt came up in evening & chatted for an hour or so. pretty cold for a while this afternoon but tonight is warmer.

Dec 30 Cloudy & colder. some snow. Worked at barn till noon. after dinner went to town. paid James Donaldson $9.10 for brick that we used at Langs pavement. got a box by express from West Liberty it came to Sis & contained a new dress ready made for Aunt Margaret & a huge loaf of bread the largest one I ever saw. we cut into it & at a portion for supper. it is very good bread. Mark brought home a load of slack. roads very bad.

Dec 31 Coldest day of the season so far. Mercury standing at about 20 above 0. Roads frozen & extremely rough. Mark took Charley & Betty to Will Hises shop & got them shod all round ready for business when the roads shall be good. I worked about the barn all forenoon fixing a place for the calves. have another fresh cow. Rose having had a calf this morning. After dinner I shot a turkey for tomorrow & then went to town. did not stay long as I did not see where I could make anything. Sis was in town too. tho we did not go together. she started before dinner & got back ahead of me. Rilla Nusbaum leaves us to go to A. M. Carrs. Nora is home or will be & we do not need Rilla.

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Jan 1 Very fine winter weather. albeit the roads are very rough. snow has been falling at intervals nearly all day. still it isnot very deep on the grounds. None of us were off the place. Frank & Will came out & we all did ample justice to a fine turkey roast. Harry Hise was here in afternoon. I wrote a letter to Cousin Mollie Enlow & a card to Uncle Wm Hise.

Jan 2 Snowed very little. pleasant winter weather. worked about home nearly all day. fixed a place for calves & put them in it. also fixed stall for Rose in barn & put her in. went up town right after dinner to get some spikes. saw John Hack who thinks some of buying Kinnamans property. went with him to look at it. then got my spikes & came home. Mark brought Nora's household goods home from town. Lovely night.

Jan 3 Cold with some snow. After making a saddle girth, put the saddle on Dolly & went out to Sam Pattersons. stayed there to dinner & in afternoon he & I brought my bull home. put a rope in the ring in his nose. he led & I drove. both of us on horseback. went to town after milking. got a couple of papers. one from Louisville & one from W. Liberty. Mark hauled 25 bu coal for J. M. Kirk. roads very rough.

Jan 4 Clear & cold. I think the coldest day of the season. Went to town in the morning stopping at Mrs. Kinamans in response to a note she sent me. Sold some butter & eggs to Geo Thomas for $1.41. got cloth of R. P. Justice for new cloak for Sis. in afternoon fixed a chain & put Bull in stable. went to town & brought home washing from Mrs. Johnson. Frank was here to supper. Mark hauled a load of coal.

Jan 5. Cloudy part of the day. warmer & at night looks like snow or rain. worked about home till 10 oclock. measured & put in sacks some corn & oats which Mark took to mill in afternoon. Called at Mrs. Kinnamans. bought a kiln of brick of her for $5.75 per thousand. I suppose about 60 thousand in kiln. F. Alexander paid me $75.00 on acct of rent. got Dolly shod in front. Mark hauled a load of slack for Kirk.

Jan 6 Cloudy & very damp. drizzled rain part of the day. After doing my chores went over to Jont Evans & made terms with him concerning Kinnaman property. went to Silver & Demings to see A. R. Silver but he was not there. saw him afterwards in the street. Paid H. C. Jones $10.00 for house rent for Aunt Lib Wait. Sis got a letter from her & called on her. Mark hauled a load of coal & brought home feed from mill. also brought home a _____

Jan 7 Cloudy & damp. no rain. After doing mychores went to town. agreed to put up a brick warehouse for Furman Gee in rear of Republican building which he has bought of J. K. Rukenbrod. No contract was entered into as he said he did not want any, but wanted me to do the work as reasonably as I could. I do not therefore expect to make very much on that job. Afternoon attended Farmers meeting. It is proposed to have some lectures on

agricultural topics by members of State board of Agriculture & a committee was appointed (I being one) to select subjects of lectures. a discussion on merits of different breeds of cattle followed. short horns seeming to be favorites for general purposes. Roads are somewhat sloppy but pretty good. Mark hauled 2 loads manure from W. Hinchcliffes. Uncle Tim was looking for Aunt Lib Sheets from Iowa. Nora walked to town & back in afternoon.

Jan 8 Warm cloudy & damp. very disagreeable weather. Aunt Margaret & I went over to Uncle Tims expecting to meet Aunt Lib Sheets & possibly Uncle Fred, but they did not come. Came home about 4 P.M. Roads very muddy. Nina & Mabel, Will, Frank & Harry Hise were here. Harry brought me a letter from Sister Fannie which I answered. also wrote postal card to Editor Ohio Farmer. I sent for a book to him which has not come.

Jan 9 Cloudy & colder. Went to town in morning. took clothes to washer woman & collected a little money. in afternoon went over to Robert Tolertons on business of Kinnamans. found that the K. Estate seems to be in Roberts debt nearly $100.00. S. Gibbons was here when I got home & he & I squared accounts. he owes me for last year $6.85. agreed to let them stay at $5.00 per mo rent to be paid in advance in money. Mark hauled a couple of loads of manure & took some straw to Aunt Mary. freezing at night. Got Farmers acct Book.

Jan 10 Cloudy cold & in afternoon some snow & rain. Mark & I with team took 1400 Brick to Silver & Demings. Mother rec'd box from Sister Fannie. photograph & knitted stockings in it. went to town afternoon. took a bed tick to T. Strawn & 9 lbs butter to Geo Thomas. Mark went to woods to get some hickory for smoking meat.

Jan 11 Cloudy & moderately cold. snowed & sleeted some. did some odd jobs about the place. went with Nora to Station at 10 A.M. to meet Uncle Fred & Aunt Lib Sheets but they did not come. I went again at 3:25 P.M. & they came. let them take Dolly & buggy & they went over to Uncle Timothys. Had a talk with Daniel Koll about building. also with Walter Brian on same subject. Mark hauled 25 bu coal for S. Adams.

Jan 12 After breakfast went with a horse wagon & brought Uncle Freds trunk from the station. met Geo Courser on the road and went with him to look at Kinnamans house. he thinks some of buying it. Sis went to town and got buttons for her new cloak & also ½ doz napkin rings about which we had some fun. Aunt Margaret & I went with the trunk over to Uncle Tims. Mark went along & brought team back & in afternoon hauled a load of coal. Uncle Fred & Aunt Lib came home with us. I went to town for a few minutes in evening.

Jan 13 Cloudy. some rain. was in town most of the day with Uncle Fred. Transacted some business for Kinnaman Estate & attended to some business of my own. Paid G. Woods $3.00. Bought some groceries etc.

Jan 14 In forenoon went to town with Aunt Margaret & Aunt Lib Sheets. took them in Uncle Tims carriage. The roads are very rough & they concluded to walk home, which they did after taking dinner in town. Samuel Sheets came out in afternoon & he & Aunt Lib went to Uncle Tims in the carriage while Uncle Fred footed it. Went over where S. Adams & G. Woods are chopping for me. saw Stephen at home and paid him 5 dollars. E. A. Lease & Co paid me $85.25 which they owed me for rent. 75 I put in 1st National Bank. Paid Dr Anderson a check for 26.00 for Med. Lic. to C. Kinnaman. Went to town towards evening but did not stay long.

Jan 15 Took a walk out to the woods this morning. Think it pretty hard weather on wheat. Geo Ruggy & wife & son, Mrs. Lou Griffing & son & Mrs. Emma Wilson & two sons visited us today. we had a very pleasant time together. Will & Frank were also here. Mother is not well & has not been downstairs today. Recd _____ from W. G. Wells, Probate Judge that it was time to file my 2nd account as Administrator of D. H. Hise.

Jan 16 Cloudy & rain & damp. Went to town pretty soon after breakfast having promised to repair a grate for Clark Snyder. when I got there they had a roaring fire in it so I postponed my repairs. fixed a grate in Nick Strattons house on Depot st. Took the washing to town. brought Tom Wilson out & sold him my 2 yr old young bull for $32.00. am to take him to town tomorrow. Went to Woodruff & Sons & talked some about their new addition which they contemplate building next season. Also went to Victor Stove Works & talked with Dave Koll on a like subject. Mother sent Nina a birthday present (This being her 35th birthday) in the shape of a jar of pickles. Nine sent to my wife a bag of some kind to carry. Macrame I believe is the proper name for it. Sis got a letter from Flo Johnson & Aunt Margaret a copy of a discourse delivered at East Dennis Mass. in Memory of Capt. Prince Crowell.

Jan 17 Snowed last night & today is much colder. After breakfast Mark & I took the bull to town & left him at Browns corner. saw Thomas Wilson soon afterward & he paid me for him $32.00). Went to Clark Snyders to fix a grate but saw that I could not do it any good without tearing it all out which I agreed to do sometime next week. saw Uncle Fred Sheets & also Aunt Lizzie. They are visiting in town & willnot be out to our house for a day or two. Went to Ambler & Sons office & make out my acct as Adminstr. of D. H. Hise & will send it to Lisbon soon. Nora visited Union school this afternoon. Mark fed the horses. Quite cold at night will freeze hard. Paid Morlan & White $19.58 all I owed them & took receipt.

Jan 18 Went to town in forenoon but did not accomplish much at 3:25 went to station & met Flo & Willie Johnson & brought them home where they will stay & make us a visit. Uncle Fred & Aunt Lib came out in the evening & will stay all night. Mark hauled a load of coal.

Jan 19 Was up at 4 oclock this morning & after an early breakfast which Nora prepared I went to Leetonia on horseback. left Dolly in stable there & took train for Georgetown.

got there at 10 oclock. went to see Gibsons Brick works. Met Mr. Gibson who is very much of a gentleman. he gave me the information I was after or at least as much of it as he could. he is making 2300 Brick per day now but it takes 15 men 3 horses & $2000 worth of machinery to do it. do not feel like investing in that kind of machinery. I like the arrangement for drying & burning tho & mean to inquire into it further. got home at a quarter before 8 P.M. Found the women folks all played out. Sis in particular is quite unwell. I feel none the worse for my trip.

Jan 20 Guess the folks have all felt better today. Was in town a part of the day. Uncle Fred & his Bro John went down to see their old home & spent the greater portion of the day there. I wrote a letter to Mrs. Eliza Kinnaman who is now in Lordstown. Took dinner at Ninas. Uncle Fred & Aunt Lib are with us tonight. also Flo & Willie. Bro Frank also came out. Mark hauled a load of coal.

Jan 21 Cloudy warmer & muggy. roads sloppy on top but pretty good. went to town in forenoon. took 7 lbs of butter to Aunt Mary Jesse. 30 cts per lb. Attended Farmers Meeting in afternoon. After supper put on my overcoat & thought I would go hear T. C. Nhenderhalls lecture on Life in Japan, but after looking at the weather gave it up. Sis & Flo were in town this afternoon. Mark hauled 2 loads of coal. Uncle Fred & Aunt L. are at Uncle Tims tonight.

Jan 22 Cold & stormy. wind blew all last night & has kept it up nearly all day. snowed some. Nora & Flo went to Baptist church in afternoon I went to Town Hall & heard H. L. Grace lecture on Religion of H_____ty which is the best kind of religion. Mr. G. is evidently not an educated man, but seems very honest & straight forward. he advanced no new ideas, but was in favor of the religion that will teach humanity to be true to themselves & let the hereafter take care of itself. Wm & Ed Pidgeon were here this morning & we had a long talk about the Brick business about the plausibility of they two & myself engaging in it as partners. Harry Hise is here in evening. Quite cold but not so windy as it was.

Jan 23 Clear & cold. after milking I took a hog down to Jobby McConners & helped him to butcher it. cut it up this evening after supper. Went to Victor Stove Works in afternoon & stayed there till nearly dark. We could not quite agree on price of brick work for their saw shops. David Koll offered me 50 cents per thousand more than the highest bid they have received & $1.00 more than the lowest bid, but I think my price the nearest right & shall stick to it. Sam Gibbons paid me $11.85 which pays balance of acct for last year & house rent to 1st of Feb 1882. Flo Willie & Nora went to Uncle Tims. Flo & Willie stay all night. Mark hauled load of coal to Mrs. Matthews & took wheat to mill. Rec'd notice from Probate Judge that 7.91 over due for Letters etc in Christian Kinnaman Estate. have already paid $5.16 & will not pay more without remonstrance.

Jan 24 Clear & cold. after milking I took my gun & went down to McMillans thinking our turkeys were there & intending to shoot a couple, but I could not find them & Arthur

said he had not seen them for a couple of weeks. I went from there up to Tom Sharps place, but could see nothing of them. came home & cut up our sausage meat & got lard ready for cooking. went to town in afternoon. went out to Jonathan Evans & tried to buy some brick clay of him, but he is afraid he willnot ask enough & wanted time to consider. deposited $17.60 in 1st Nat. Bank paid there for me by F. Layng. Aunt Lib Sheets & Flo are here & we look for Uncle Fred before bedtime. Mark hauled a load of coal. brought flour from mill etc etc.

Jan 25 Cloudy rain & damp. snowed a little early in morning but soon turned to a drizzling rain which continued most of the day. had a house full of company. old time friends of Uncle Fred & Aunt Lib Sheets. Albert Silver & wife. I. Crumrine & wife, Aunt Mary Jesse, Mary Eggman, Mrs. Jane Sheets, Mrs. Goucher & Rachel Gee. also Norman & Nina Garrigues. Mark hauled a load of coal home. Frank & Will came out in evening. Rec'd card from Probate Judge. bill of $4.00 for 2nd acct Estate of D. H. Hise. Wrote a letter to W. G. Wells. Probate Judge ordered some fruit trees of J. M. Bare 8.35 worth.

Jan 26 Cloudy & wet. Took sausage meat to W. L. Edwards & got it chopped. brought it home in afternoon. Went over to Uncle Tims with Uncle Fred and Aunt Lib Sheets. took dinner there. before going over there tho I bargained with Jont Evans for a piece of land. am to give him a final answer on Monday. in afternoon went again to Victor Stove Works & had another talk with them about brick work. Told them what I would do it for & do not propose to come down one single red cent. brought plan of building home with me. got a letter from Uncle Geo Hise, W. Liberty & answered it. sent money order for $4.00 to Probate Judge to pay for Filing 2nd acct. Estate of D. H. Hise. raining at 7 P.M.

Jan 27 Clear & mild. warmer than for some days past. after I got the milking done, Billy Pidgeon & I tested the clay that I thought of buying of J. M. Evans. found to our deep disappointment that it only runs about 18 inches deep & therefore will not pay us to invest in it. dug holes in several other places on his land & some on adjacent fields but could find no clay that was deep enough. Got a telegram from Uncle Geo Hise saying that he could get $650.00 for my lot in West Liberty & asked my advice as to what he should do. I immediately telegraphed him to sell it. Afternoon Sis & I cooked some lard & put it in pots for Mrs. Trimble. brought Flo & Willie home from Judge Laubies where they have spent the day. got a letter from Sister Fannie. Mark hauled a load of slack.

Jan 28 Cloudy & damp. Took some lard, sausage & hams to Mrs. Trimble & Butter & Eggs to Geo Thomas. altogether realizing $22.49. went to Victor Stove Works & told of my disappointment in finding brick clay. they want to wait awhile longer on me & I am sure want me to do their work. Took Sis & Flo to Aunt Lib Waits to dinner & came back home. in afternoon attended committee meeting to arrange programme for Agricultural institute in March. paid Geo Harris 2.88 for fixing waterpipes in Alexanders store. deposited $50.00 in Bank. went with L. Harper to look at some clay on Mrs. Waterworths land, no good. Rented house S. Gibbons lives in to Joe McConner at 6.00 per month. all in condition that Gibbons move out.

Jan 29 Partially clear & cloudy. cold. roads frozen hard enough to bear a horse. wind blew hard last night & weather changed suddenly. Nora & I went over to Uncle Tims & took dinner with Uncle Fred & Aunt Lib. had a roast turkey. Uncle F. & Aunt L. came home with us. I got a letter from Eliza Kinnaman from Lordstown, Ohio. Flo is not very well having caught cold. Frank & Harry Hise are here this evening.

Jan 30 Cloudy & pretty cold. fine winter weather. roads a little rough but pretty good. Was in town most of the day. Went to Woodruffs Foundry. Made them a proposition to do the brickwork on their new shop, but do not think they are very favorable to it. I am quite independent & they can accept or not. just as they please. collected a little money today. Silver & Deming paid me 8.41 and Purdy & Baird $6.00. Nora & Flo visited at Pack Seeds. Aunt Lib & Uncle Fred went with Dolly & spring wagon up to Dick Kirtlans. Mark hauled manure.

Jan 31 Snowed a good part of the day, but not enough to make good sleighing, tho a few sleighs were out. was in town most of the day. Aunt Margaret & Flo took dinner with Aunt Mary Hise. We were invited to D. Crumrines to supper but Aunt M. was not well enough to go & indeed not well enough to come home, so stayed at Aunt Marys all night. Nora & I went to Crumrines. Uncle Fred & Aunt Lib were also there besides a number of others. we got home before 9 P.M. Mark hauled some manure from town.

Feb 1 Cloudy & moderately cold. Took Aunt Lib to town after breakfast & brought Aunt Margaret home from Aunt Marys. Flo & Willie went to Alliance at 12:30. Sis went to Depot with them. Flo & Sis's friendship dates back many years & has never been broken by a harsh feeling or angry word. we are always glad to see Flo & hope she can come again before long. Got a letter from Uncle Geo Hise. Brought Aunt Lib out this eve & Uncle Fred followed on foot. Made some pickle for meat & will put it on after supper when it is cool. looks some like snow. Mark hauled manure from barnyard to cornfield.

Feb 2 Partially clear & cloudy. Uncle Fred, Aunt Lib, Aunt Mary Wait, Sis Leo & I took dinner & stayed the afternoon at Albert Silvers. several of their old friends were there. Uncle F & Aunt L came home with us in evening. Aunt Margaret presented Uncle F with History of Columbiana county. Mark hauled manure. I forgot to say that in the morning Uncle F & I went over to John Negus. found our turkeys there. (they have been lost for a month) and drove them home.

Feb 3 Very pleasant winter weather. thawed some in middle of the day. Went to town in morning & stayed a while. Uncle Fred & Aunt Lib, Aunt Margaret & Nora took dinner at Harriet Arners. I took a pain in my back & have been in bed most of the afternoon. at night am scarcely able to walk. Uncle & Aunt are here again tonight. very glad we are to have them. Mark hauled manure from barnyard to cornfield. Mother is not so well. Read Tribune & Farmer.

Feb 4 Cloudy. snowed most of the day. a wet snow which I feel will turn to rain. Uncle Fred went to Leetonia & if he comes back has gone to Uncle Tims to stay all night. Nora took Aunt Lib over there this afternoon. I have been in the house all day. hardly able to walk. the pain in my back I think is now better than last night, tho still very painful at times. Sis has done the milking. Frank hauled manure till noon.

Feb 5 Partially clear & cloudy with a little snow. warmer than yesterday. Back is some better but still far from well. did the milking morning & night. Frank & Will came out & brought me a letter from Uncle Wm. which I answered. Harry Hise was also here. after dinner Frank & Nora went to Aunt Uras in the sleigh. engaged Clara Sharpnack to come & help Sis with sewing. Clear at night. warmer.

Feb 6 Clear & pleasant. went with Sis to town in forenoon. She did some shopping. I bought a scale of Carr & Tescher for $5.00. sold butter to Geo Thomas. after bringing Sis home I went over to Uncle Tims. took dinner there & brought Aunt Lib & trunk home with me. in afternoon she & Aunt M & Uncle Fred went to Joshua Boones to tea. I went to town in afternoon with Mark who took 2 horse wagon to Sam Elton to gt new coupling hole. S. Gibbons paid 5.00 rent.

Feb 7 Clear & fine in morning. Nora & I went to station with Uncle Fred and Aunt Lib who started for home on 9:40 train which was nearly an hour behind time. Mrs. June Sheets went as far as Crestline with them. she is going to Cincinnati. I went to town in afternoon. brought home our sewing machine from Ninas. she had borrowed it yesterday. Little Geo is a year old & can walk. Mark hauled a load of coal this afternoon. his nephew Mark Lyons Jr is here.

Feb 8 Clear & fine but very muddy. Spent most of the day in town adjusted accounts with John Garwood. he owes to Feby 1st 1882 $39.18. Sold some butter & brought home washing. Clara Sharpnack is here to help Sis with sewing. Mark hauled a load of coal for J. M. Kirk.

Feb 9 Cloudy & damp. warm & muggy. Made a window frame & put it in east end of horse stable. helped Mark with a load of straw for Aunt Mary Hise. he hauled home a load of coal in forenoon. Bro Wm was here to dinner. Nina & Mabel came out in afternoon & stayed to supper. aunt Jane Howell died this morning.

Feb 10 Froze some last night. Clear & pleasant today. Attended with Aunt Margaret the funeral services of Aunt Jane Howell at Martin Howell house, but did not go to Greenford where she was buried. Aunt Ura is here to stay all night. Loaned to Mr. Alexander Dolly & buggy. he sent Mr. North for Rellah Nusbaum, who is going to live with them. North got back with Dolly at 9 P.M. Sold some Butter & Eggs. Sis is 39 years old. intended to give her a birthday present, but could not get the article I wanted. will have it yet. Mark hauled manure from town.

Feb 11 Clear & pleasant. Aunt Ura went home with Mark on the coal wagon. Clara also went home in afternoon but will be back next week. Stephen Adams came over & I went to the woods where he is chopping. gave him $10.00 on acct. went to town in afternoon, but did not do much good that I know of. talked a little with Twing Brooks about making brick. he wants me to do it, but I must first find the clay. Mark hauled load of coal in afternoon and a load of manure.

Feb 12 Cloudy & wet. rained a good deal in latter part of day. Went to Presbyterian church in forenoon having understood that Bro Frank was going to join. he didn't today but intends to in a couple of weeks. Some Reverend whose name I did not understand (not Mr. Fry) preached a very commonplace sermon. Frank came home with me. Will & Myron Wait were also here to dinner. in afternoon I took Aunt Margaret over to Uncle Tims. she will stay a day or two with them.

Feb 13 Cloudy and wet. helped Mark with a load of straw for F. Gee. Went to town with Sis in afternoon. got a letter from Mrs. Kinnaman. Rec'd invitation to Entertainment in Concert Hall on 22nd in honor of Washington given by G.A.R.

Feb 14 Clear, warm & pleasant. roads very muddy. worked about home most of the day. put the swill barrel in a box & made it frost proof. repaired gate in the lane. went to town a little while. got another letter from Mrs. Kinnamans. Mark helped Stephen Adams saw cord wood. Gertie Wait is here.

Feb 15 Clear & fine. worked at the Baptist church repairing chimney tops. The church is being roofed with slate. got a postal card from Cousin Mollie Enlow which left them all well. Cal Sharpnack came back today & the sewing is again going on. Mark helped in the woods. got cross cut saw filed for which I paid Sam Elton 50 cents. Mother got a letter from Fannie.

Feb 16 Cloudy & wet. drizzled rain most of the day. finished the chimney tops at Baptist church & afterwards went out to Robert Frenchs farm & tested some clay. not good enough for me. got a letter from Uncle Wm & answered it.

Feb 17 Measured & sacked some corn & oats. 6 bushels of each & Mark took it to mill & brought it home in evening. Went to John Garwoods shop for a while. Uncle Tim brought Aunt Margaret home. she has been at his house since last Sunday. considerably colder & will freeze hard tonight. Read Ohio Farmer.

Feb 18 Clear & cloudy at intervals. pretty cold in morning, but warmer & cloudy in latter part of the day. went over to woods where I am having some wood cut. did a few little jobs about the house & in afternoon attended Farmers meeting. had for discussion the question Does it pay to grow apples for market in this locality. it was the general opinion that with proper selection of varietys (the Bodd____ being a favorite) it did pay. in absence of John Pow I as Vice President acted as Chairman. _____ _____ for 1 bu of

White Russian vets 10 bushels being taken by different members of club. Sold Beets & eggs.

Feb 19 Cloudy & wet. rained most of the day. Spent the entire day at home reading, talking etc etc. Bro Frank came out in afternoon & he & Mabel Garrigues (who has been here since yesterday) have just gone home, 5:30 PM. Ernest McMillan called this afternoon. Fitch Purdy died suddenly this morning.

Feb 20 Cloudy and wet. Went to top out some chimneys for Gus Harris on West Main street. worked till noon & got one top done. it was then raining and kept it up all afternoon. bought some Meddlings and bran of F. Gee & Co which Mark brought home. also bought some sugar. stayed around time all afternoon. stopped at Mrs. Kinnamans coming home. Chas. Boone paid me 5.00 for H. M. Turner for rent of room.

Feb 21 Changeable. clear & bright in morning. went to town to finish chimneys I began yesterday. rained before I got to town. stopped raining & Steven & I went to work. got another chimney done & it rained again. turned colder & we came home. wind blew hard & cold. snowed and at 6 P.M. is quite cold. snowing quite fast with stiff gale from the west. Mark knocked about the place, moved some stone etc. Mr. Burt made a short call.

Feb 22 Colder & windy. snowed some. Mark & I cut a large white oak tree down by the mill. it measures 3-1/2 feet over at ____ & is the largest tree I ever cut. went up town in afternoon & after supper Nora & I went to Concert Hall. celebration of anniversary of Geo Washingtons birth. there was music, instrumental & vocal. an address by Judge Ambler & a tableau of surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown & afterwards dancing. we stayed till they had danced a few times & then came home. pretty cold at 10-1/2 P.M.

Feb 23 Cloudy cold, some snow. was in the woods all day. Mark & Steven Adams & I cut some saw logs & some rail timber. made a few rails. Have not been to town today.

Feb 24 Worked in the woods all day. made some rails. split some chestnut posts & worked tree top into cord wood. went to town after milking. got Tribune. Louisville Courier Journal, the latter giving account of high water in Ohio & Mississippi Rivers. also got catalogues from Jas Vick & James Gregory. Mr. Burt brought a horse for us to keep all night.

Feb 25 Clear & fine. thawed some in sun. Went to town a couple of times. took some butter and eggs to Geo Thomas. did the feeding & Mark hauled a couple loads of coal. settled with Jim Rud_____ & paid him 5.75 back. Margaret & Nora went to town in afternoon.

Feb 26 Went over to Uncle Tims about 12 oclock & stayed till afternoon. Uncle Tim was very much elated. he had caught sight of some of the fish that he put in his fishpond about a year ago. I saw one of them. it was about a foot long. While I was over there Gibbons house caught fire & burned quite a hole in the roof. There happened to be a

number of men in the neighborhood & Syman Davis & others soon had it out. The day has been very fine overhead. Bro Will was here to dinner. Mabel Gurrigues was also here in afternoon.

Feb 27 Clear & fine. went to town in morning. took the washing & brought home some nails & in afternoon repaired the roof on Gibbons house. went to town again towards evening. Agent for a steam cooker was here today. came near buying one but concluded to wait for a while. Marked hauled 2 loads of coal.

Feb 28 Cloudy & windy. finished repairing chimneys for Gus Harris. Abe Turner paid me $50.00 on Kinnamans house. I put it in Bank. Gibbons folks moved out & Joe McCenna moved in. Joe paid me a months rent $6.00. Mark helped Gibbons move & took some wheat to mill. George is not very well. think his teeth are hurting him.

Mar 1 Cloudy warm. rained some but not much. Worked at a chimney on East B. way for H. English. did not get it done. sold our bay mare "Betty" to H. Buffinger for $160.00. he paid me $2.00 down & will pay balance when he comes for the horse. I think she is well sold, tho a good mare. Mark hauled a couple of loads of coal.

Mar 2 Finished chimney for Howard English. we ran out of brick & had to wait a while. Therefore did not finish till afternoon. afterwards went to look at a young mare belonging to Mr. Smith. did not suit me altogether. also attended to some other matters. Mark hauled 2 loads coal.

Mar 3 Clear & fine. attend Farmers Institute in Concert Hall. W. I. Chamberlain was to have lectured in forenoon on Origin & fertility of soils, but he did not arrive in time for morning lecture & Prof. T. C. Mendenhall talked about Lightning rods. very entertaining & instructive talk it was too. said that as most lightning rods were constructed now all go they were not only no protection, but were absolutely a source of danger. said that a plain iron bar5/8 or ¾ in thick was a good conductor of lightning. should be (the top of it) near the chimney to counteract the effect of warm air in chimney & the bottom should be from 7 to 10 feet in the ground & connected with a piece of sheet iron about 6 ft long & about 2 ft wide & ground kept moist or damp. where building was covered with a metal roof it was not necessary to have the rod run across roof as the metal was itself a good conductor. The spouting could be connected with ____ & with the sod in ground. At night Prof. Mendenhall lectured on earthquakes. This lecture I consider one of the finest of the kind I have ever had the pleasure of listening to. His theory (or the theory he advocates) is that earthquakes are caused by the settling of the surface of the earth. that the interior of the earth is not a molten mass as many think. that the pressure from the outside is too great to allow the inside to be melted. a portion of the interior a comparatively small portion, tho thought was he thought in a molten condition. He spent some years in Joh_____ & experienced quite a number of earthquake shocks. gave him experience etc etc & said of earthquakes could be foretold with a degree of certainty it would be a great boon to that portion of the world where they are most frequent. Nora attended the lecture with me.

Mar 4 Clear & fine. very fine weather for Farmers meetings which were well attended. in forenoon Dr. Townshend of State University gave a lecture on stock Breeding. The main points of which were careful selection Indicious crossing & good "keep". This lecture was very interesting as was his lecture in afternoon on Farming for Profit. The points of which were good plans through work, careful economy & correct accounts. without these farming cannot be a complete success. Sis went with me to afternoon lectures each day. Mr. Buffinger paid me for Betty and took her away. Mr. Paterson took dinner with us today. he & his wife were both here to dinner yesterday as were also Elijah Winery & hisson in law David Hannay. I forgot to state that the lectures I have mentioned were all free, were very instructive and attentively listened to & I have no doubt will prove of much benefit. a single collection was taken & enough money was raised to defray all expenses. Mark hauled one load of coal today & in afternoon took some straw to Aunt Mary & brought home a load of manure. I went to town after supper & came home with Nora.

Mar 5 Cloudy and wet. rained a good deal in forenoon. after dinner I went out on the Canfield road a mile or so to the residence of Mr. Meguffey. looking for a girl, but I was too late as she had accepted a place in town. Sister Nina Mabel & Gertie Waite were here & I took them home in spring wagon. Read the New York Tribune. Hope the Senate will not confirm the nomination of Roscoe Conkling as associate Justice of Supreme court. Think it would be a flagrant outrage on the feeling of people at large. he should stay in his hole where the people of his own state have sent him & never show his face in the political arena again.

Mar 6 Took one of our cows to Eli Fawcetts & took another to keep her company & Mark & I had a devil of a time getting them there. roads muddy & cows contrary but they came home without any trouble. in afternoon I went out to Samuel Pattersons & he & I went up near Benton to look at a colt. Sam took the first chance at him & did not buy him. he suited me better and I bought him for $131.50. A good price for him (he is ten years old) but he is I think a good one. took supper at Pattersons & did not get home till near nine oclock P.M. My colt led all right and I had no trouble getting him home. all were in bed except Sis & Aunt Margaret when I got home.

Mar 7 Froze some last night & today is much colder. I built some piers for porch for Leyman McArtor in Columbiastreet. Afternoon went to town. saw Rush Taggart on matter of business. afterwards went to Stratton & Daniels house on Depot st. where they complain of smoky chimneys. could do nothing for them. took Lawson Harper with me & tested some clay on Daniel Kolls place & found it wanting. went to office of Victor Stove Co. & stayed for an hour or so. Mark hauled a couple of loads of manure & afternoon a load of coal for Dr. Lampsell. he paid me 10.00 on acct.

Mar 8 I started this morning at 10 A.M. for Lima. Allen Co, Ohio. my business there was to see Mr. Edwin Hull & get him to release a mortgage on a certain piece of property in West Liberty Iowa which I bought of Andrew Gailey. paid mortgage had been paid

long ago, but it seems had never been cancelled on the Records of Muscatine Co Iowa. I got to Lima at 4:15 P.M. found Mr. Hull who signed the Release & I started back to Salem at 6:18. Lima seems to be quite a business place. it is the county seat of Allen County & they claim 10,000 inhabitants.

Mar 9 Arrived at home this morning about 3:30. went to bed and slept till breakfast. afterwards wrote a letter to Uncle Wm & sent him the necessary papers to make a clear deed for my property in West Liberty. while in town this morning I got a severe pain in my right breast. came home & went to bed. got a dispatch from J. R. Kemp, Agent for Wingards patent Kiln for burning Brick and tile. I met him at American House at 2 P.M. & had a talk with him. Alan Boyle Paid me $2.50 for a cord of wood. Rained most of the day. Bought Howell & Geo each a small primer with pictures in them. Rained nearly all day.

Mar 10 Cloudy & dull. Mark hauled a load of slack for Dr. Lampsell in the forenoon. I knocked about a little not feeling very well. after dinner Mark & I cleaned out spring vault & hauled contents to cornfield. then hitched up the colt alongside of Black Charly & drove to town & back. brought home some sash for Dormer window in Barn from Seeds & Youngs Sash factory. The colt behaved very nicely. Bro Frank was here to supper. H. English paid me 2.00 on acct. am not feeling well.

Mar 11 Cloudy & somewhat disagreeable out of doors, but I have been housed up all day not feeling well. have a cold & cough a great deal. Wrote a letter to McQuiddys folks in New Albany Ind. Rec'd one from John Kinnaman, Marion Ind. who does not accept the offer I made him to come here and make brick. Nora went to town this afternoon. Mark also went. got Charly shod in front. sold butter & eggs etc. The children had a fine time this afternoon. Little Anna Burt came up and played with them 2 or 3 hours. Got West Liberty paper & Harpers Bazaar, both of which I will devour. I mean the contents.

Mar 12 Partially clear & cloudy. rather pleasant than otherwise. I froze out of doors, but have not been out much to see. Am still somewhat under the weather. tho I feel better than I did yesterday. slept better last night and did not cough nearly so much as I did the night before. Sis done the milking morning and evening. I read most of the day & the balance watched our 2 boys play. Little Geo thinks he must play as hard as Howell does & it is very amusing to watch them. Bro Will took dinner with us & afterwards he & Nora went to Uncle Tims & at 6:30 have not got back. I ought to have written a letter or 2 but have not felt in the mood. Have been doing some hard thinking today & am almost resolved to give up Brick making & make farming my business. Think I could do odd jobs at my trade now and then, but make the farm the first consideration. But on the other hand my knowledge of farming is quite limited & I have worked hard to acquire what I know of Brick work & so the matter rests.

Mar 13 When I arose this morning (which was not very early) the snow was falling fast. continued at intervals all day. very disagreeable to be out so I wisely stayed in doors.

made a couple of trips to the barn & saw that everything there was right. Mark took to mill 6 sks corn & 2 sks oats to be ground for the cattle. Arth McMillan brought their meat up & put it in smokehouse & Mark put smoke under it. or got things ready to. he also took to J. B. McNabb about 2 bushels of beans that we raised last season. he can probably be assorting them carefully. use them for and for pole beans to can. They are unfit for the table as beans. I have been reading today in an old Agricultural Report about draining. think I have gained a point or two. Bro Will stayed with us last night & today I think he intended to have an ingrowing toe nail operated on by Dr. Yengling. he has been a terrible sufferer for years with ingrowing toe nails. Nora is getting ready to go to a party at McMillans. She and Sis have been quilting a portion of the day.

Mar 14 Partially clear & cloudy. Mark has been quite unwell. he thinks he has a touch of ague. I have fortunately felt better so our feeding etc was done in good shape. I went to Victor Stove Works in forenoon. and had quite a lengthy interview with Daniel Koll. he seems to want me to go into the Brick business & offered to advance me one thousand dollars if I would do so. Told him I could not find satisfactory clay & did not come to any definite understanding, but expect to see him soon again. Sis & I went to town together in afternoon. she to do some shopping & I to look after some little matters. took 4 lbs butter to Aunt Mary Hise, L. Adams & G. Woods were both here towards evening. said they were both about out of coal. I promised to have them some as soon as we could. Wrote a letter to Uncle Fred Sheets, Washington, Iowa. Mark has had some considerable fever most of the day but seems better.

Mar 15 Cloudy and disagreeable. snowed some in morning, but is warmer in evening and drizzles rain a little. Nora went to town about noon & brought the clothes home from washer woman. also brought me a letter from Uncle Wm Hise West Liberty Iowa. also sent me deed for my own and Sis signatures. we signed & had acknowledged by Wm Sturgeon Notary Public & sent deed back to Uncle Wm. got the Salem Republican & a paper from Louisville which I have not read yet. Nora has gone to a Party at Mrs. Emily Robinsons. The Boys are having a big time running in the room.

Mar 16 Cloudy & rain. Was in town the larger portion of the day. Bought an Imperial plow of A. H. Harris. cost 13 dollars with a jointer. bought 1 bu clover seed of F. Gee & Co 5.29 also 83 lbs middlings. bought a box of 8 x 10 window glass of Carr & Tescher. cost 2.80. Brought home chop feed from Buckeye Mill. hitched up the colt this afternoon and drove him to town with old charley. took a small load of straw to Aunt Mary. had the colt weighed at Aaron Wilsons. he weighs just 1100 with the harness on. I won the oysters from Mark who thought he would not weigh 1000. Nora walked out to J. Cattels this afternoon was back before dark. Mark is much better.

Mar 17 Some warmer. clear & cloudy at intervals. Mark & I cut off a chunk of the hay stack and hauled it into the barn. in afternoon hitched the colt up again & brought home a couple of light loads of fence posts from near the saw mill. thought I would go to town towards evening & get the mail. but ____ it up am not very well. have coughed a good deal today. Sis made last patch for ____ quilt.

Mar 18 Cloudy dull & wet. Rained nearly all the forenoon beginning sometime last night. I have been in the house all day. only going out to do the milking in the morning. Sis went to town with Mark in the afternoon. sold some butter and eggs & brought home the mail which consisted of the Tribune, Ohio Farmer & West Liberty News. Sis also got a letter from Mrs. Flo Johnson of West Liberty, Iowa.

Mar 19 Clear & pleasant. I was not up so early this morning as I generally am on Sunday. had a severe spell of coughing just about day light & did not feel like getting up early. after breakfast the bright sunshine looked so inviting. I took a walk over to where I am having some wood chopped. felt none the worse for it. After dinner Aunt Margaret & I went over to Uncle Tims a while. found them about as well as usual. brought home with us a quart of Maple molasses & some lily roots. Sis did the milking morning and night. Bro Will, Gertie & Myron Wait were here to dinner. While I was away Peter Forsythe (tinner) came out to examine the roof on our house. Thinks the reason it leaks is because the tin ____ are worn out. Must have them attended to.

Mar 20 Clear & cloudy at intervals. at noon or about that time got cloudy in the west and began to rain. kept it up at short intervals balance of the day. Trimmed some grape vines in forenoon & after dinner went to town on the wagon with Mark, who hauled a couple of loads of coal. came to an understanding with F. Alexander and rented him the store room again for $30.00 per Mo. he just rents the 1st floor & I have the 2nd floor to dispose of as best I can. I bought a bottle of patent medicine (Workers Lape Kidney & Liver cure) for my own use. Sis earnestly requested me to get it & I have it. hope it may do me good. Think I feel better tonight.

Mar 21 Cloudy & very windy in latter part of the day. a little snow fell & in evening is much colder. Sam Murphy was here this morning looking for two of Jack Moores boys who were lost yesterday. Eugene Suliot also called on business. I went to town in afternoon. engaged Wm Lamson to calcimine Leases storeroom for $20.00& he furnish material. Mother & Bun spent the day at Ninas. Mark hauled balance of fence posts from mill.

Mar 22 Cloudy, windy, stormy & very disagreeable. stayed at home and in the house all day. only going to the barn to do the milking in evening. Mark made a couple of trips to town in forenoon to get some groceries & the mail & afternoon to take a couple of bedticks to Wm Hise who is moving today. I got a letter from Uncle Wm Hise, including a draft for $647.00 which is the amount I have got for my lot in West Liberty. Miss Bessie Rush is here to stay all night. she walked out this afternoon. we are glad to have her. I worked some at my Agricultural scrap book. Mother is not so well this evening. has a headache. wrote to Uncle Wm.

Mar 23 Froze the ground last night. cleared off tolerably warm towards noon & after dinner I walked to town where I stayed till nearly six oclock. deposited $650.00 in 1st

Nat. Bank. walked home with A. McMillan. Mark hauled a load of coal for Dr. Lampsell. I got a letter from Uncle John Enlow. also a Louisville paper. Bessie Rush went home in afternoon.

Mar 24 Cloudy and cold. this morning was more like mid winter than it was like spring. got a little more pleasant toward noon but was altogether cold and disagreeable practically so to a man who is not very well. I stayed at home all forenoon and went to town after dinner. Collected some money & paid $140.00 interest on note of J. Cotton which is in Greiners Bank. sent blank voucher to Mr. Cotton for his signature. Greiners notifying him by the same mail that I had paid the interest. Julia Strong the daughter of Lena came this afternoon & will stay all night. this evening Julia & Nora have gone to Aunt Lib Waits to sew carpet rags. Mark hauled a load of saw dust for Mrs. Trimble & brought home load of manure from F. Gee's. Wrote a letter to My Uncle John G. Enlow.

Mar 25 Clear & cloudy at intervals. pretty cold and in afternoon snowed some. helped Mark put in a small load of straw and took to F. Gee & Co. bought some bran & oil meal for cow feed. Mark hauled 3 loads manure from town. Julia & Lena went home (to E. Whinnys) in afternoon. Nora was in town a while. I sold some butter, 7 lbs. Paid A. H. Harry $6.00 balance I owed him for plow he having owed me $7.00 for Repairing chimneys. Paid G_____

Mar 26 Clear & rather pleasant. in the morning Mark Will & I drove one of our cows over to Eli Fawcetts. went across lots with her & got along with very little trouble. After coming back, Sis & the boys & I went over to Uncle Tims and stayed the remainder of the day, coming home in time to milk. Bro Frank was here to dinner & Will & Frank walked over to Uncle Tims in afternoon. Mabel Garrigues & a friend were here in afternoon.

Mar 27 Rather warm & mild. rained some in afternoon & there was thunder. trimmed grape vines, peach trees etc & made a trip to town stopping for nearly an hour at Mrs. Kinamans. gave her ten dollars on acct. In the matter of acting as Administrator of an estate. the persons interested therein being almost stranger to me. I have my eye teeth cut. Mark worked the colt all day hauling manure from town. hauled 2 or 3 wheelbarrow loads at a time & thinks he was doing a big business. Raining at 7 P.M. Sister Nina had some teeth extracted by Dr. Lampsell. an undertaking she has been dreading for years. she inhaled ether & did not know when her teeth were taken out.

Mar 28 Knocked about home most of the day. intended to fit sash in Dormer window of barn but when I came to go to work at them found they had not been made as ordered and were a great deal too large. shall have to get others. Made a trip to town in morning. sent an order to Jannis Nick for seeds. M. L. Young was here and I renewed insurance on store buildings in town and took insurance on house where McConner lives & also on small house on brickyard. dug up elders in garden & cut down an old cherry tree in back yard, trimmed rose bushes etc etc. Mark hauled manure and coal.

Mar 29 Intended to sow some grass seed or wheat but thought it was too windy. dug

some post holes & went to town before noon. rode out with Mark who hauled a couple of loads of coal and bought some bats home from brickyard. Sis & Aunt M. were both in town today. I went over to R. Tolertons in afternoon, he having sent for me. had a talk with him in regard to Kinamans affairs he wants every cent the law will allow him & I think is somewhat hoggish. Jonas Kick paid me $16.69 all he owed me. I took some lumber for post pay 1.69. _____ Mr. _____ _____

Mar 30 Had a snow storm in morning which was of short duration. I knocked about home set a few fence post around garden, am not feeling very well. went to town in afternoon. called at Seeds & Youngs planing mill & then went to Silver & Demings to see Harry Koy. Went on roof of Trinity Block & found a hole in roof which Pete Forsyth promised to mend this week. Mark hauled a couple of loads of coal. Nora & Will went to Columbiana to dance.

Mar 31 Clear & rather pleasant tho still quite cool. Mark & I hauled in another portion of hay stack & took 1080 lbs to Abe Turner. I went up town afterwards. bought of F. Gee & Co ½ bu of clover seed and brought it home in Levi Straleys wagon. I today told Mark that I do not expect to keep a hired man in the winter & engaged him to work till 1st of November at 16 dollars per month. I think this is a little too much but he has been here a long time & I would not argue with him for a few dollars. Nora got home this forenoon having stayed at Aunt Lib Waits from 3 A.M. (the time they got to Salem on the train from Columbiana). she took a nap this afternoon & this evening says she feels like a "stewed witch". Was at Ninas a while in afternoon.

Apr 1 Clear & pleasant. in the morning I walked out to my wheat fields and find that one of them is badly frozen out & will not produce half a crop. am anxious to get grass seed sown but it is most too windy. pulled a lot of cockle in best wheat field. took Mother to town where she stayed till 3 P.M. when Sis brought her home. Went to town after dinner. voted at Primary Election for Borough offices. Joseph Fawcett secured the nomination for Mayor over N. B. Garrigues. went to a horse sale a while. horses sold well. the Farmers Institute was held in Crumrine & Ducks furniture store. only a few were present & it was thought best by some to discontinue the meetings altogether. but it was finally concluded to try to keep it up. drew Fifty dollars out of 1st National Bank. gave $30.00 to Aunt Margaret. Paid Wm Lampson $18.24 & still owe him $1.72. want him to finish his job before I pay him all. Took supper at Sister Ninas. Ella Huddlemyer & sister are here. Mark hauled one load of manure from town & afternoon took _____ at election.

Apr 2 In the morning it rained some. after the rain I thought I would sow some clover seed on wheat. got the seed to the field and was ready to sow but thought the wind too high & concluded to wait. went to woods & burned brush till nearly dinner time. after dinner Sis & the children & I went out to Samuel Pattersons where we stayed till after supper. did not get home till dark. has been a very pleasant day. Frank & Will were here.

Apr 3 Clear & warm. went over to R. Tolertons. opened Kiln of Brick & loaded some for him. have sold him ten thousand at 6.00. went back in afternoon to load again but his team did not come while I was there. got tired of waiting and came home. where I have lots to do. made a nice bed & planted some hollyhock roots that we got at Pattersons yesterday. went to town after supper but didn't do much good. Mark plowed & sowed ½ acre of White Russian oats. sowed one bu. started the plow in another field. A. Turner pad me 7.67 for hay.

Apr 4 Clear & warm too windy to sow grass seed & that is what I ought to be doing. Made the sale of the Kinnaman Property to Abe Turner. he paid 1150 dollars for it. 50.00 he gave me some time ago when the bargain was made. gave me today $700.00 in cash. $600.00 of which I gave to J. M. Evans & he took Turners note for 100.00 & a mortgage on the property for the balance of his claim. I paid R. Tolertons mortgage 60.00 of it is to be paid in brick at 6.00 per M and $3.88 I paid in cash. This leaves a balance of $86.12 for Mrs. Kinnaman. Had the colt hitched to spring wagon this morning but did not risk driving him untilhe gets more used to work. led him out to the woods and back. he went awkwardly enough, but did not act ugly. Went to town in afternoon after hauling 1 horse load of manure on asparagus bed. got 1 horse wagon repaired and ran around after a girl. but failed to find one. Paid M. L. Young 36.00 for insurance. Aunt Mary and Geo. Gee were here this afternoon. Bro Frank came out with me and stayed to supper. Mark plowed for oats. A son of Geo. Baum was buried this afternoon. he was killed on the railroad. Bot a digging brick for 1 dollar.

Apr 5 Cloudy with some rain in forenoon. sowed clover & timothy seed on both wheat fields. sowed 1-1/2 bu clover and nearly 1 bu timothy on about 9 acres. ought to be thick enough as there was some timothy sowed with the wheat last fall. went to town in afternoon & up to Brickyard. Hen Kinnaman & I tore down an abutment & got kiln in better shape for hauling. bought another ½ bu clover as I shall need it. Mark plowed for oats.

Apr 6 Cloudy & rained pretty hard a little while in afternoon. worked some repairing garden fence etc. in afternoon went to town & a few miles into the country in search of a girl to do housework. heard of one by the name of Miller & will know whether we can get her on Saturday. Mark finished the field he was plowing for oats. got the seeds order of James Vick.

Apr 7 Clear & fine. planted a grape vine (Packington) that I got from James Vick. Mark plowed peach orchard below the barn & I helped him. dug about the trees etc. in afternoon we planted ½ bu Beauty of Hebron potatoes. has been a very pleasant day.

Apr 8 Clear & fine. I sowed about 5 acres of oats & Mark harrowed it in. sowed about 2-1/2 bu per acre. went to town in evening. Mark took some wheat to mill. E. Walton paid me 6.00 rent for rooms in Trinity Block. Rode home with Charley Silver.

Apr 9 Sowed some tomatoe, cabbage, radish & celery seed in hot bed this morning.

afterwards went to the woods & dug up some ground where I had burnt a brush pile & sowed some late cabbage seed on it. Bro Will & Bun were with me. began to rain while we were there & we had to travel for the house. continued to rain balance of day. after dinner Will & I went over to Henry Nusbaums to try to get Rilla (his daugher) to come and live with us but she was not at home and I did not see her. Nora went to Presbyterian church & afterwards to Dr Rushs where she took dinner. I brought her home in afternoon. Much colder in evening.

Apr 10 Cloudy and quite cold. worked some at garden fence. dug up asparagus bed & went with Mark and team over to Eli Fawcetts where we cut some locust posts which I want to use for my wind pump. Mark hauled manure on garden & grape vines in the grove. quite cold tonight & I think will freeze hard.

Apr 11 Cloudy & cold. snowed some & wind blew from northwest. Worked at garden fence & got considerable done of it was cold. went to town in latter part of afternoon taking some sand & lime to Clark Snyders where I have some work to do. Mrs. S. requested me to postpone it until weather got more pleasant. Mark hauled some manure from where Gibbons lived. worked the colt. Nora got letter from Hattie Sheets, Washington Iowa. Hard weather on the fruit.

Apr 12 Froze pretty hard last night, but has been some warmer today. Went to town a while in morning. took some corn & oats to mill & brought home some flour. got a couple of pieces sc___thing & worked some at garden fence. two year old heifer (Siddons) has a fine calf. have been attending to her & hope she is getting along all right. Mark hauled some manure in forenoon & afternoon plowed for oats in field down by saw mill. pretty cool again tonight but I think will not freeze as much as last night.

Apr 13 Clear & cloudy at intervals. pretty cold. muchtoo cold to work out doors with comfort. finished repairing garden fence and planted seeds of onion, parsnips, peas & lettuce. went to town a little while towards evening. bought some chop home from Buckeye mill and got the mail, Tribune & Salem Republican. Mark plowed.

Apr 14 Clear, cool enough to stand it with a coat on all day. Mark & I hauled in balance of stack of hay & in afternoon put in piece of oats down by saw mill. sowed about 12 quarts of clover seed on the piece. Bun went with us and stayed all afternoon. Nora went to an entertainment by Harmony club in town.

Apr 15 Partially clear & cloudy. still cool or rather cold. intended to roll oats in forenoon but instead took white cow to H. Satterthwaits bull, but to no purpose. attended Farmers meeting in afternoon & went to town again in evening. Sara, Arthur & Alice McMillan took supper. I believe Alice did not however, as she & Arther happened in after we had had supper. Mark went to Dennis Lyons on noon train. Moderated some in evening. Rented a piece of pasture of Mrs. Marshall.

Apr 16 Clear & were it not for a cool wind from Northwest would be quite pleasant.

finished sowing clover and oats after doing chores about the barn. Went to the woods. Bun & I and gathered a bunch of wild flowers which he brought to his Mama. Little fellow he must be very tired tonight for he has been on the go all day. it did not take him long to go to sleep after going to bed. Aunt M Nora & Will spent the day at Uncle Tim's. they brought Julia Strong home with them from town. she is going to help clean house etc. Sister Nina & Mabel were out this afternoon. also Bro Frank & Myron Wait. I rented triangle lot down the road to Joe McConner for horse pasture. Wrote a letter to W. H. King, Berlin Center.

Apr 17 Clear & pleasant. after doing the chores took the team and went to town. set Stephen Adams to digging out cellar for F. Gee's warehouse. went to Sheens coal bank and got a load of coal. rolled 5 acre field of oats in afternoon. Bun rode with me most of the time & thought it was fine fun. Mark came home from Dennis's at noon. his Bro Pat was also here today. Julia Strong is helping with house cleaning.

Apr 18 Clear & warm done a little repairing for N. B. Garrigues. Went to station for some plants & 2 cherry trees afternoon but they were out there. spread manure in cornfield balance of day. went to town after supper & got a share for pointer on plow which Mark broke. w drew $30.00 out of Bank. Paid A. H. Harris $5.74 all I owed him.

Apr 19 Cloudy with several showers & clear & bright between times. Worked at some chimney tops on Maria Garrigues house, but did not get along very well with them. helped move the counters in clothing store while it was raining. took dinner with Nina Garrigues. set out 1 doz early wakefield cabbage that I bot of Lease & Co for 15 cts. Mark plowed some and cleared out stables. Sis hung paper.

Apr 20 Cloudy, cold and windy. finished chimney tops at Garrigues. Paid Eli Fawcett for locust fence posts I got of him. bought of Crumrine & Duck a bedstead for Noras room. cost $3.75. Mark plowed sod. Think it is some warmer tonight & is cloudy.

Apr 21 Clear & cool. Plowed till noon. spread manure till 3 P.M. & went to town. did some work at Furman Gees cellar. bought a barrel of granulated sugar of E. A. Lease & Co at 10-1/2 cts per lb. brought it home. Mark plowed & spread manure. got a letter from A. Sheets.

Apr 22 Still pretty cold. poor growing weather. Plowed some & afternoon went to town. bought some cow feed & brought home sash from planing mill. sold some butter. finished paying E. A. Lease & Co for Barrel of sugar I bought yesterday. F. Alexander paid me 5.00. still owes me $57.50. drew 50.00 out of Bank. got money from F. Gee and paid hands for digging cellar. Lawson Harper got a bu of seed potatoes. Nora went to town in afternoon & after supper Julia & I went up & all came home together in spring wagon about 8 P.M. Gertie Wait came with us & will stay all night.

Apr 23 Windy and cold. was not off the farm today. Sis Bun & I took a walk to the woods. burned a few brush heaps to warm ourselves as we were cold. Will & Frank were

here to dinner. several callers in afternoon. young folks to see Nora & Gertie. the latter went home with Bart Barton. Little Geo has been on a "high horse" today and is very mischieveous. spilt a lot of milk over himself, topped over the basin full of water & did various other things his mama would rather he had left undone. Quite cool & wind from north east.

Apr 24 Clear & warmer than for some days past, but is quite cool again this evening. I repaired the orchard fence some & turned the hogs in the orchard. Then plowed till 3 oclock when Mark had finished spreading manure. went to town a while. got a singletree repaired & bought a cow halter. Stella McClinskey was here this afternoon.

Apr 25 Clear & warm. went to town immediately after breakfast. Bought of Carr & Tescher 750 lbs of Buffalo Superphosphate & applied some to some early rose potatoes which I planted in afternoon. scattered it in bottom of furrow. then hoed a little dirt on top of it. then dropped potatoes in & covered. will leave every 5th row without fertilizer to see whether it does good. Bun helped me plant & dropped 2 or 3 seeds all himself. Mark plowed. Dr. Lampsell paid me 10 dollars on account.

Apr 26 After breakfast went to town & brought home 20 peach trees which I got of J. M. Bare. set them out. also brought home chopped wheat from Buckeye Mill. paid 36 cents for grinding 4-1/2 bu wheat. want to feed it to calves. Mark & I planted 3 rows potatoes, and as it was then raining we put on a load of straw & took to stable of F. Gee & Co. I took Julia out to Elijah Whinerys. stopped in town a while. sold white cow to John Tescher for $55.00. I am to give him the cow & $20.00 for an Iron Turbine Wind mill. the price of which is $75.00. I consider the cow well enough sold tho she is a good one, but she is very nervous & timid & has some other bad qualities which need not be mentioned here. all of which I told to John. hope it may not turn cold now after this nice rain. is cloudy & wet tonight. Sister Nina got a letter from Fannie. I am much pained to learn that Lizzie Teeters, eldest daughter of my friends Bert & Ellen Teeters was in very poor health & at the time Fannie wrote was not expected to live long. hope she may recover.

Apr 27 Pleasant weather, but not warm. reset a couple of grates for Clark Snyder which occupied most of my time for the day. at noon I went with J. M. Bare down to his old place & got a honeysuckle which I planted in back yard. Bun went with us & Mr. Bare gave him a sweet bough apple tree. also gave me a yellow bellflower & a red astrachann. Mr. B. took dinner with us. This is the day recommended by Geo. Foster as "Arbor day", but I was too busy at other work to plant any trees & will do it tomorrow if things all favorable. after supper I drove over to Hen Kinnamans as I wanted to ask him about matters pertaining to Brick making. Mark finished plowing sod. hauled some fence boards to Brk yd & some manure from town.

Apr 28 Worked at home all day. set out some more trees. Bun helped. tore down some fence around peach orchard & made preparations to replace it. Mark hauled fence

boards & 2 in plank from saw mill. Bun& I went to town in latter part of afternoon. got some nails etc. Sis Nora & Geo were also in town this afternoon. had 1 or 2 light showers. cool.

Apr 29 Clear & pleasant, but not very warm. Mark & I worked at fence till after 4 P.M. got the posts set & ready to nail on boards. Bun & I went over to John Pows & Mark took a load of bed ticks to town on the hay wagon. after supper I went to Joel Strattons & got a couple of our turkeys that have been away a good while. bought the farm right of a patent fence that has been on exhibition in town for some time. paid 5 cts per acre for the right. Joe McConner paid a months rent.

Apr 30 Was up before 5 oclock. John Tescher came soon afterwards for the cow he bought of me. I led one of mine as far as John Streets & then he & his man went it alone & I came home. quite a walk before breakfast. Sowed some peas, beets & radishes in the garden. Uncle Tim & Aunt Mary Gee were here for dinner. also Bro Will. Bun & I took a little ride in afternoon. went out the west road as far as Dr Whinerys. still quite cool for time of year.

May 1 Finished fence we began on Saturday. all except sawing off ends of posts. Mark cleaned up the cellar & plowed the raspberries. in afternoon we hauled some brick for F. Gees warehouse. brought Julia Strong home with me. she will help with the washing. cloudy and cool in evening.

May 2 Cloudy & cold. some snow in morning. We hauled brick most all day. Went to town after supper. thought some of going to Cleveland tomorrow, but gave it up.

May 3 Made ice in trough in barnyard last night & was pretty cool in the early morning, but soon moderated & was a much more pleasant day than was yesterday. we hauled brick to F. Gees warehouse & hauled away from there some old trash barrels etc. saw Dr Rush & got some medicine for George who is quite unwell or at least his bowels are very loose. caused no doubt by some new teeth he is getting. he is not looking so well but seems to feel pretty good. got a couple of “Bradshaw” plum trees from Josih Bare & Bun & I set them out. Nora was in town this afternoon. she got some sterio_____ vines from Carrie Arter Denver, Colorado.

May 4 Cloudy some rain in afternoon. Hauled some brick. took some scaffold boards to building. some bed ticks to different places in town & some seed potatoes to John McClinkey. Sold a turkey gobbler to Mohlin Nichols for 1.25.

May 5 Cloudy and some wet. Hauled a few brick and got colt shod. Had Dr Rush come out to see George who is quite unwell. think he has dysentery. think he is getting teeth.

May 6 Rained nearly all forenoon, but none in afternoon. I was in town all day. Made mortar bed & run off 3 bbls lime. went to town after supper to see Dr Rush about Geo

who is not much better. attended a meeting of the Salem improvement association. Twing Brooks made a short address. a very good one. Samuel Patteson got 2 bushels ears seed corn of me & gave me 3 bushels ears in return.

May 7 Clear & warmer in afternoon. Went up town & brought Dr Rush out to see George, who was not so well. he seems better this evening. Bun & I took a walk over the farm. gathered a boquet of wild flowers in evening. he & I went down to McMillans & brought home an old turkey and a young one. Will & Frank & Gertie Wait were here to dinner. Sister Nina & Aunt Mary Hise were here in afternoon.

May 8 Cloudy and in afternoon wet. worked a little at F Gee's warehouse but times too wet to do much. bought 30 feet of ¾ inch hose & connected with water pipe in cellar of Trinity Blk. will use it for making mortar. Mrs. Suliot lifted a note I hold against them. note & interest amounts to $362.68. she paid me 359.00 & said would pay the balance tomorrow. I gave here a receipt for the full amt & will send the note through mail tomorrow. Mark hauled a couple of loads of brick. I paid John Satterthwait $33.00 interest.

May 9 Cloudy & showery. warmer and good growing weather. Worked all day at F. Gees warehouse. got along very well and am some tired at night. Mark hauled brick. Am as glad little George is better. indeed he seems right well again.

May 10 Cloudy and wet. Worked ½ day at building. Mark hauled brick. Sis was in town a while.

May 11 Worked all day at Building. Began to rain a little after six in the evening and looks as though it might rain all night. Mark hauled brick. Mother was at Ninas the greater part of the day. Nora was also in town in afternoon canvassing for the Salem Library.

May 12 Considerably cooler. guess it rained nearly all of last night. Judging from the general wetness things this morning. it was however a fine day to lay brick and we piled up a good many of them & nearly completed the 2nd story. it is pretty cool tonight & will like enough. freeze a little. Frank got back from Cleveland where he has been attending the May Festival.

May 13 Cloudy cool & wet. went up after breakfast & finished Brick work of 1st story of Gee's warehouse. Worked some in the shop after coming home. went to town & brought home grist from Buckeye Mill. Bred Mare Dolly to J. B. McComers horse. Prince Edward. Mark hauled a load of sawdust to Mrs. Trimble & brought home a load of coal.

May 14 Cloudy and dull. drizzling raina good part of the day. We turned our cattle out to grass for the first this season. pasture is still short but so is the hay. Will & Frank were

here. Will & Nora went to Cattells.

May 15 Clear & cool. rigged up stanchions to feed the calves & turned them out on pasture I have rented of Mrs. Marshall. Was in town a while in afternoon. Mark with a couple of hands from Brickyard (too wet to make brick) repaired fences all over the farm. Pretty cold tonight & will probably be frost.

May 16 Clear & fine tho cool. Hauled brick with both teams. Boys made a days work at Brk yd. Julia is helping the women folks. Paid J. M. Bare $6.85 all I owed him.

May 17 Clear & fine. Worked all day at building and am tired at night. F. Alexander gave me a check for $50.00 he still owes me $6.75 on last quarters rent. I am losing faith in this Hebrew. Nora was in town in afternoon & bought some wallpaper for the dining room. Mark harrowed corn ground. still it keeps cool at night.

May 18 Clear & fine. Worked at building. Fixed up my Bank acct & got a new book. having lost my other one. Mark worked at corn ground & Sis papered the dining room which looks very nice.

May 19 Worked at Building all day. rode home in evening with Nora & Bun who had been to take Julia to Whinerys. Mark getting corn ground ready.

May 20 Stayed at home and helped plant corn. got the large field done. had 4 men from town to help. got $100.00 from F. Gee & paid my hands. Bricklayers & Laborers. Brickyarders & corn planters. also paid Phil Platan 14.00 for hauling 14 thousand bricks. went to town after supper. am tired. planting corn is no fun.

May 21 Mother Bun & I went to Uncle Tims. it rained & Mother stayed all night. had a very nice little rain. worked some in garden in morning. When I got home from Uncle Tims found Elijah Whinery & wife here. they brought Julia Strong who will stay all night with us. didn't get milking done till 8 oclock. pleasant tonight.

May 22 Rained steadily all day. After dinner Mark & I cut a white oak tree in the lower woods & sawed a couple of logs off it. I want to use the lumber for a new fence (the right to build which I bought some time ago). we got our backs a little wet in the operation, but want badly to get the fence up soon. Thomas Sharp said he would haul the logs in & saw them tomorrow. Took Julia to town tomorrow evening. does not rain much at 8 P.M. but is still cloudy & is pretty cool.

May 23 Clear & fine, tho somewhat cool. Worked at Building doing some repair work. Mark did hauling of various kinds the ground it beingtoo wet to plow. Mother got home from Uncle Tims & Aunt Margaret & Rachel Gee went out to Umsteads green houses. Nora & Bun drove up in buggy & I rode home with them from work.

May 24 Hauled some brick and worked at building. Mark finished plowing and harrowed

ground behind barn. Bought some old paving brick of Methodist church $4 per M. some cloudy in evening and looks some like rain. fine day for work.

May 25 Finished F. Gee's warehouse at noon. after dinner went down to sawmill & worked some at posts for new fence. Ira Moore (who works for Ad. Carr) came to drive in some phosphates fro me & I came up with him. Mark marked out corn ground for Ad Carr on his farm east of town in evening. he brought home a load of coal with him.

May 26 Planted some more potatoes & got corn ground ready to plant. Ira Moore came to drill it in with Ad Carr's one horse drill, but it refused to work before he got it all planted & we shall have to finish by hand. got our early potatoes which are coming up nicely worked dug ____ plowed grape vines etc. Mother went to town to stay a few days.

May 27 Finished planting corn & got the garden plowed when it began to rain. Mark went to Alliance at noon. he goes on a visit to his brother Pats who will meet him at Alliance. afternoon I went to the Valley in search of a girl but found her not. F. Gee paid me $50.00 a portion of which I divided among my hands. Sent a card to Murley Dupont & Co. ordering a car load of brick. got a letter from my Uncle John G. Enlow. Read aloud some before bedtime.

May 28 Cloudy & wet. rained steadily nearly all day & at night is still cloudy and cooler. hope it may not freeze. went down to Jobby McConners a while this afternoon. tried to get his sister to come and live with us, but was unsuccessful. I suppose we can live without a girl. Mother is in town. went in Friday and is staying at Aunt Marys Bro Will was here all day.

May 29 Took one of the cows (Siddons) over the H. Satterthwait & afterwards took Charley up town & got him shod. Settled with Firm Gee. He owed me $443.70 which he placed to my credit in Bank. afternoon I worked some at my new fence. Mark came home at noon & brought his nephew Mark Lyons Junior with him.

May 30 Clear & fine. Worked at my fence till noon & afterwards in the garden. all the household but Aunt Margaret & I went to town to witness the decoration ceremonies. I guess tho that no one but Nora & Mark went to the Cemetery. Mother came home with Sis in afternoon. called on Mrs. Kinnaman in evening.

May 31 Clear & fine till middle of afternoon when it clouded up & began to rain & at 8 P.M. is pouring steadily. I worked at a chimney on High st. for Dr. Rush. Mark Hauled a load of coal in forenoon & afterwards he & Stephen Adams did some planting, beets, beans etc. Bro Frank went to Warren. Julia & Laura Strong are here. Paid F. Gee & co $58.59 all I owed them. also paid E. A. Lease & co $38.00 for H. Kinnaman.

Jun 1 Cloudy & cool. must have rained very hard last night. I finished chimney for Dr Rush & attended to some other matters. paid L. L. Shoemaker $9.50 & F____hope & Falk 10.80 for estate of C. Kinnaman. Settled with & paid R. Jobes $6.06 & squared

accts. also squared with J. McMillan owed them 600 at the store & also paid them 5.00 for turkeys which were in dispute. I think it very doubtful whether we owed them anything on that score, but wanted them to have the benefit of the doubt. Frank got back from Marion & thinks his trip was a success. old Dolly tho is the worse for the trip & refuses to eat.

Jun 2 Clear & fine. Worked at Walter Brians chimneys. R. Bricker is helping me & he worked there yesterday. we got the ash pits finished today. Mark hauled brick. Old Dolly seems all right. Austin Walkers daughter Minnie has come to live with us. she is quite young & it remains to be seen whether she will suit us or not. Cloudy again & looks like rain. Warner White dry docks & sowed balance beet seed.

Jun 3 Got in nearly a full day at Brians chimneys which are proving to be more of a job than I at first expected, but we are getting along with them very well. Had a heavy rain in latter part of afternoon & we got storm. stayed at the building till nearly7 oclock. Aunt Margaret, Sis & Geo went over to Annie Seeds in afternoon. The occasion being the 67th birthday of Aunt Ura. Nora went to Winona hunting flowers for school commencement. she brought Sis & Geo home through the rain & I went for Aunt M. after supper. she had gone to bed, but got up and came home with me. Settled up with Brickyard hands & tenders which took _____ money ____ _____ it. got a letter from _____ _____ _____ in handling concerning some lots we have there.

Jun 4 Cloudy and wet. several showers during the day. one of them a heavy one. Bun & I were out in it having started out for a ride, but we turned back & got home without getting much wet. Wrote a letter to my old friend Andras Huncilman. New Albany Indiana. about the first money I ever earned was by working for him as clerk in a grocery at $2.50 per week. also wrote cards to J. J. Dodge & Son, South New Lyme, Ohio & J. E. Bentley Green Hill Ohio making some inquiries about a short horn bull calf. am some in the notion of buying one. Bro Frank was there this afternoon. Julia & l_____ also here.

Jun 5 Cloudy and cool. Drizzled rain in morning & Mark & I worked at fence posts till noon. After I went out to David Frenches & set or rather repaired a grate. Mark hauled a load of sand to Walter Brians house. Bricker worked them.

Jun 6 Clear & fine. Worked at Brians. Mark hauled manure from town & is making a pile in field we expect to put in corn next year. Austin Walker was here in evening. Sis & Geo were in town a while in afternoon. God a letter from Mrs. Kinnaman.

Jun 7 Clear & fine. Having no brick I worked at home. Built some fence of a new kind & like it very much. does not take as many rails & is more substantial & neater looking than the old worn fence. went to town after supper. Mother went to town this morning to stay a few days with Nina & Mabel before they start for Iowa. Pat Lyons is here. came down on business but could not see the man he wanted. so will stay all night with us. he

helped us with the fence.

Jun 8 Expected a car load of brick from Louisville & took both teams to station this morning, but the brick did not come. Brought home our wind pump from Carr & Teshers. finished fence one began yesterday & inevening undertook to take one of our cows (Rose) over to Satterthwaits, but she beat us out. tied her behind the wagon but she pulled back so that we had to drag her along & not wishing to kill her I let her go. Must have a bull of my own. Mark hauled a load of sand to brickyard & worked potatoes.

Jun 9 Cloudy & rainy looking in morning but cleared off & was warm & fine afternoon. went to station to haul brick, but none came. came home & repaired fence & in afternoon went out to Robert Frenches where I bought a 2nd hand wheelbarrow & left at shop for repairs. went up to Brk yard. Sis & children went to Ninas & Mother came home in ____.

Jun 10 Cloudy and wet. rained considerable in forenoon. went to station again for Brick, but none came. got a all from Morley Dupont stating they would ship them on Monday. went to Farmers meeting in afternoon. adjourned to meet again on 3rd Saturday in August. collected some money & Paid 23.50 to W. H. Slagle for sand. Mark hauled some wood to Pidgeons yard.

Jun 11 Stayed at home most of the day until towards evening when I hitched Dolly to the spring wagon & took Sis & the 2 boys, Frank Mabel Garrigues & her friend Louise Gaschen & we all took a ride. a very pleasant one. went 3 miles west of town & back. cut some rye out of the wheat.

Jun 12 Clear & fine. went to town soon after breakfast & met Sam Patterson. he & I went out to John Pows to look at some cattle. I bought a thorough bred bull calf about 10 days old. John Pow said he is well bred as any calf in the state & said his Mother was a very superior Milk cow. I paid $20.00 for him. Sam wanted to buy a cow but did not. Bun went with me to bring the calf home.

Jun 13 Clear & warm. Finally found Bill of Lading for car of Brick & Began to haul them. R. Bricker is working for me at Brians chimneys. Mark plowing corn.

Jun 14 Rained a little this forenoon, but not enough to stop business long. finished hauling my car load of brick & worked a little in the garden. Mrs. Charlotte Sheets, wife of Loren Sheets was buried this P.M. Aunt Margaret went to the funeral. Mark plowed corn. Bro Frank was very sick for about ¾ of an hour last night. said he suffered internally for that length of time. the pain was caused by the pussing of calculus from the kidney to the bladder. He felt all right this morning & worked today. he was out this evening.

Jun 15 Clear & quite windy a part of the day. Worked at Brians chimneys, but did not

quite finish them. Mark worked at the corn & had a good day for it. Nora went to Dr Rush's.

Jun 16 Had a very heavy rain in forenoon. it was of short duration. finished Brians chimneys at noon & afterwards helped put a stove top in one of them. got a letter from A. Hencilman.

Jun 17 Went out to R. Brickers in the morning & after driving with him to John Webbs I went over to Brians house & helped put a stone cap on another of the chimneys. it was a very heavy one, but we got it up without any trouble or accident. in afternoon went with Patterson to Anthony Fishers to look at a cow he has for sale & which Sam wanted to buy for $80.00 & F. asked $90.00. called at James Strattons & saw some very nice cattle. Paid Brick yard hands. Rained very hard.

Jun 18 Went over to Uncle Tims after dinner. Aunt Margaret Sis & the Boys went along. saw the fish in the pond. came home by way of Sells mill & had a very pleasant ride.

Jun 19 Had a very heavy rain last night & a good deal of thunder & lightning. Went to town in morning & did some work at home that needed doing. in evening drove one of our cows (Siddons) to James Strattons. didn't get home till ½ past 9. almost cold enough for frost.

Jun 20 Clear & pleasant tho cool in morning. I did not see any frost. worked at J. McClinskeys chimneys. got one done at 5 oclock and went up to Brk yd a while & Gray paid me 2 months rent. paid up now to 18th of June. Mark hauled wood to Brickyard (Pidgeons).

Jun 21 Clear & fine. Worked at J. Mc's chimneys. Mark hauled wood.

Jun 22 Clear & warm. finished Mc's chimneys &in afternoon made out report of Kinnamans business & haveit ready to send to Lisbon. also wrote a letter to Mrs. Kinnaman. went up to Brick yard. the boys made 6300 today. Pretty hot today.

Jun 23 Clear & hot till about 4 P.M. when it clouded up & gave us a little shower. heavy rain went to the northwest. I plowed corn all day for the first time & am woefully tired at night. Stephen Adams trimmed up our garden & set out a lot of cabbage plants. Mark hauled wood to upper yard.

Jun 24 Clear and warm. plowed corn till noon & afterwards worked early potatoes, beans, corn, tomatoes etc etc. Ben and I picked a hat full of strawberries. went to town after supper. lots of people in the streets. Aunt Margaret went along and brought home her new bonnet.

Jun 25 Spent the forenoon at home. walked to the woods. salted the cattle and colts and turned the steers into another pasture. cut Bun & Georges hair after dinner. hitched Dolly to spring wagon & Sis & the Boys, Nora Frank & I started out for a ride. didn't get far before it began to rain & we came back home. rain caught us & wet us a little. went again after the rain & stopped at Uncle Tims. Myron had been to church. first time for years.

Jun 26 Went to town after breakfast. drove Bill to our horse wagon for the first. went up to Brick yard & then to black smith shop and got Bill shod all round. bought some soap and borrowed a washing machine of N. B. Garrigues ground the scythe. Walter Brians paid me $165.25 in after worked at grape trellis. hauling a few more lath from the mill. The same boys are taking our grapes as usual.

Jan 27 Clear & pleasant. worked corn till 8.30 in the morning and then took the Boys up to Hewitts and had their pictures taken. think we got good pictures of them. Bun & I afterwards drove out to see R. Bricker who is sick. worked corn in afternoon. Mark hauled wood.

Jan 28 Plowed corn all day. Sis & Nora were in town a while. got a letter from A. Hencilman. New Albany Indiana. went over to Brick yard a while in evening.

Jan 29 Plowed some beets in peach orchard and S. Adams howed them. plowed corn till noon & after noon went to Geo Pows sale, but bought nothing. wrote a letter to A. Hencilman. Mark hauled wood.

Jan 30 Cloudy and in the morning looked like rain. thought some of mowing clover, but weather not favorable. after breakfast went over to James Pattons and got him to send his bull over. his son Charles brought him over & bred Rose to him. hope she will bring me a nice calf. Stephen & I & Sis to help transplanted beets all the afternoon. in evening I called at Moreheads to see Mrs Kinnaman, but she was not thee. Mark hauled 100 bushels coal to Brick yard. Reports say that Charles J. Guit_____ the murderer of Garfield was hanged at 11.40.

Jul 1 Cloudy & somewhat cool. went to set a grate for Dr Rush but no sand came & I had to go back after dinner & did not finish till nearly 5 oclock. Bun was with me all day & I paid him 5 cents for helping me, which tickled him. Saw Mrs. Kinnaman. paid hands _____ took $143.00 went to brickyard in evening.

Jul 2 Clear & fine. took the two grandmothers & Sis & the Boys & went out to the woods for a ride. after we came back Nora & Purdy went to Uncle Tims. Went to Aquilla Pidgeons funeral in afternoon. Mark hauled wood all day to Brickyard. After supper Bun & I went up to Brickyard.

Jul 3 Finished working corn 2nd time & killed potato bugs. Stephen Adams & Joe

McConner hoed them. Nora & I went to town after supper & over to the brickyard where they are getting along fine.

Jul 4 Cloudy & positively cold. plowed corn all day. Stephen finished hoeing & went home in afternoon. Mark hauled wood to the brickyard. coolest 4th of July weather I ever experienced. Nora & I went to Brickyard after supper. the boys are still firing away. one side of the kiln refuses to settle, but Henry says she must come down.

Jul 5 Cloudy and cool. went over to Brickyard ho south side of kiln has not settled much but I think it is certainly burnt hard enough. have burned 40 cords of wood and 250 bushels of coal. afternoon I went to Lisbon. took my final account as Administrator of C. Kinnamans Est. lost the vouchers. every one of them & couldn't find them tho Sis & I ransacked the house. suppose that Master Geo has put them in the grate. Did not see the Probate Judge & do not know what he will say about it, but will probably hear from him soon. Terrible accident in the river at Wellsville last night by which a report says 200 lives were lost. steamboat collision.

Jul 6 Clear & fine. Stephen & I ground mowing machine knives & got ready for harvesting. repaired the lane. put hay rake together etc etc. Killed potato bugs. Mark hauled wood to Brickyard in forenoon & took a load to Allan Boyle & brought home a load of coal. Mike & Nora went to reception of Charles Bonsall & wife at the residence of Joel Bonsall. Aunt Ura Sharpnack Aunt Lib Wait, Annie Seeds & Mary & Mrs. Martha Sharpnack spent the day here. glad to have them.

Jul 7 Partially clear & cloudy. Mowed 2 acres of clover, but it did not cure well & we put it in cocks & let it stand. Went to town after supper. bought H. Kinnamans interest in Kiln of brick burnt & sold out my interest in the yard to J. W. Mercer & Hen will make _____ & I will dispose of the kiln. Paid Hen 86.27. Mark plowed corn & _____.

Jul 8 Cloudy and damp. drizzled rain part of the day. bad weather for harvesting. cut down a dead tree in the grove. made it into pea brush & stuck some peas in the garden. helped Phil Plater set out 200 celery plants. went to town. drew 75.00 out of Bank. Paid Jim Sheen 18.15 for coal to Brickyard. Austin Walker & wife & sons Emmor & baby Laura came & will stay all night. went to town after supper.

Jul 9 Took one of the cows (Siddons) over to Jas Strattons this thing is growing monotonous. Austin Walker & family started home before I got back. Jim Tolerton called to see about Brick. Nora & I took a ride in evening.

Jul 10 After taking some wheat to Mill I mowed till 11 oclock. hauled in 2 loads of clover hay. it then began to rain & we had to leave & load in the field. Went to town with the team & brought flour home. Mark plowed corn till noon. warm in evening. Will & Nora went to party at Larry Grays.

Jul 11 Clear & fine. mowed till 11. shock out hay & afternoon got in 4 loads. raked up the balance & cocked a lot of it. splendid weather now. hope it may _____ a while.

Jul 12 As fine a morning as I ever saw. was up early & went to the woods for the cows. enjoyed the walk. Daniel Haifley cut our wheat & Mark, S. Adams Joe McConner & I bound it. have about 175 doz in shock. hauled in 2 loads hay afterwards. Nora & Bessie Rush went to Uncle Tims. Gertie Wait is 18 years old. Nora is with her this eve. Mother got a letter from Sister Nina who is having a delightful time of visitingin Iowa.

Jul 13 Cloudy & clear at intervals & between 6 & 7 P.M. it rained but we got in all the hay we had out. in the forenoon we hauled brick with both teams.

Jul 14 Cloudy with some rain. Mark worked corn & I hauled brick. brought home 459 feet of ¾ in gas pipe for wind pump. bought of A. B. Garrigues.

Jul 15 Clear & fine. Hauled 2 loads of Brick to Sh_____ _____. Dan Haifley sent me word he would come to finish cutting wheat. I was lucky enough to secure 3 of Mercers Boys to bind & we got the wheat all in shock by 6 oclock. Mark plowed corn till noon. have our wheat all cut now & in good shape. now for the balance of the hay. got a copy of 5th amend Report of Bureau of Labor Statistics for the State of Ohio. also a deed for some burial lots in New Albany Ind. which I am selling. will sign the deed & return to N. A. Went to town after supper.

Jul 16 Clear & fine. tried to sell colt to Billy & Edgar Pidgeon. come within 2-1/2 dols of trading. Aunt Mary, Rachel & Maggie Gee are here also. Julia Strong & Gertie Wait, Frank & Will, Aunt Margaret went home with Aunt Mary Gee & will probably stay all week. has been a lovely day.

Jul 17 Hauled one load of brick in the morning & then came home & went to hauling in wheat. Stephen helped. Mark plowed corn close to the barn & helped unload. we got in one field. rained on us a little towards the last but not enough to hurt the wheat. went up town a few minutes. Sis got a card from Nina & Nora a letter from Carrie Arter.

Jul 18 Cloudy some rain but not enough to stop business. I hauled brick all day & Mark hauled manure from town. Bun went with me in afternoon & got sleepy.

Jul 19 Clear & fine. hauled a load of Brick in morning came home & mowed a while. broke machine. took to N. B. Garrigues who fixed it. hauled some brick & raked up hay. Mark plowed corn.

Jul 20 Clear & fine. Mowed a little for Mrs. Morris & some for ourselves. hauled in 4 loads of wheat & 2 of hay. cocked up most of the balance we have out. Howells 5th birthday.

Jul 21 Clear & cool this morning when I went for the cows, giving promise of a lovely day. We got along splendidly until Mark fell from the ladder in the barn & hurt his hip. after that I had to go in the mow & Nora worked the horse back. we got in the balance of the wheat & all the grass we had cut. Went up town after supper. Bought Geo a straw hat.

Jul 22 Clear & pleasant. Stephen raked the wheat field while I mowed. Hauled in the rakings from one field & had all we could put on the wagons. Threshed out a part of it with the _____ & stored the balance in barn. Think it pays to rake the wheat fields. Got in 2 more loads of hay. Mark not able to do anything. Went to town after supper. Sam Ball paid me $84.00.

Jul 23 Clear & warm. Was at home all day, except a walk over to Milton Davis. Norman Garrigues was here for dinner.

Jul 24 Clear & warm. Mowed in forenoon & & hauled in one load & put another on wagon to take to Abe Turner. Cocked up balance. Tired at night. Bessie Rush & her cousins the Misses Pilcairno called to see Nora in evening. Nora was raking hay this afternoon.

Jul 25 Clear & hot. Took a load of hay to Abe Turner, then came home & mowed till ten oclock while Stephen & Frank (who helped us today the shop being idle) went up after the wagon & paid taxes $86.70 & 32.71 for pipe. Built stack in afternoon & & cocked hay mowed today. Nora raked & hauled up shocked.

Jul 26 Clear & fine. Mowed till noon & got all our grass cut & in shock in afternoon. Stephen & Mark built another stack. Nora helped. Went to town in evening. Nora, Gertie Wait & I went down to Buckeye Works to see the Electric light which they have just got fixed very fine. Frank Hise & wife of Philadelphia came this evening. Nora called on them.

Jul 27 Clear & warm. Built a large hay stack and finished our haying. Think we have about 40 tons altogether.

Jul 28 Had a delightful shower in afternoon. In the morning Stephen & I threshed out some wheat & took a small load of straw to F. Gee. Frank Hise wife & children came out & stayed till evening. I did not work after dinner. Went to Buckeye to see Milton Davis & to Silvia & Demmings to see about a water tank. Mark plowed corn all day. Bought a pamphlet Book at McMillans $1.00.

Jul 29 Clear & fine. Hauled 3 loads of Brick to Dan Crumrines new house & in afternoon sacked up and took to Buckeye Mill 56-2/3 bushels of wheat. Got $1.10 per bu for it. Mark plowed corn & truck. I went to town in evening. Rode up and back with McMillans.

Jul 30 Clear & pleasant. Bun & I walked over to Uncle Tims and stayed there all day. After dinner Sis & Geo came over in the buggy and we all rode home together in evening. I took Aunt Margaret up to see Ann Kirtlan who is sick.

Jul 31 Cloudy & in afternoon wet. Hauled brick & sand. Got a letter from Uncle Fred Sheets which I will answer tonight. Aunt Lizzie Sheet has had a cancer removed from her breast & it was a trying ordeal for them. Uncle F reports that she is getting along finely. Nora was in town this afternoon & Mark brought her home after supper. Raining steadily from the East.

Aug 1 Cloudy & wet. Drizzled rain nearly all day but did not rain hard at any time. Must have rained very hard last night. The oats are down a good deal & will be hard to cut. Was in town most of the day. Sam Patterson was out to dinner & we walked over the farm. Sold a few brick. Mother got a letter from Sister Nina who is now at New Albany, Ind. I settled with Jos. Koll owed & Paid him 16.63.

Aug 2 Cloudy. Some rain in evening. Hauled brick all day & Mark hauled wood to Pidgeons Brkyd. Turned 3 of our calves out of Marshalls pasture into our own.

Aug 3 Cloudy. No rain of account. Hauled brick. Bun went with me in afternoon. Aunt Margaret & Nora also went to town. Mark hauled wood to Brickyard.

Aug 4 Cloudy most of the day. No rain. Hauled brick in forenoon to Milton Davis who is the hardest man to please I know of. I shall probably haul the brick away again. In afternoon I let Aunt Margaret have the horse. She is not well & went up to see Dr Rush. Sowed turnip seed. Cut thistles & sold 11 doz eggs. 18 cts per doz. Bought 8 lbs dried beef 19 cts lb.

Aug 5 Clear & cloudy, when clears turns hot. Set a grate for John McClynokey and in afternoon built a small cistern for James Whinery. In evening went with Sis, Nora & the children to Will Hises where we met a host of relatives & friends. Mark finished hauling brick.

Aug 6 Clear & warm in morning. After breakfast I went over to Dan Haifleys and engaged him to cut our oats on Tuesday. Afterwards went to look for a man to do a little cradling as a part of our oats cannot be well cut with machine. Got Joe McConner. Went to Uncle Tims a little while. Went to the woods with Howell in afternoon. Salted the colts etc. had a little rain about noon. Read “Yesterdays with Authors” by James T. Fields. Very interesting reading.

Aug 7 Cloudy with heavy dash of rain just before noon. Ground scythe for Joe McConner who cradled some oats for us. Broke one cradle & I gave him another. Oats are down some & in places badly tangled. Took some wheat to mill and a load of brick to Ed. Lease. Sis helped me to haul in the rakings of 2nd wheat field, and we spread it on the

ground close to barn where the chickens could get at it. Was too wet to go in barn. Mark plowed the beets and in afternoon took a load of wood to brickyard and a load of coal to Mrs. Matthews. In evening read some letters from Dickens to his friend Felton.

Aug 8 Cloudy and wet. Went over to Dave Haifleys after breakfast. Jont Evans came over with reaper and tried to cut oats for me, but it was too wet. Soon clouded up and at about 9:30 rained hard. Had several hard showers. In fact it rained nearly all afternoon. Rachel Gee was here to dinner. I went down to fix fence at McConnors when I got back found Auntie Walker & 2 Mercer boys here the latter came to look at a colt & while it rained they all helped me move some wheat in the barn and we now have plenty of room for our oats when it is fit to come in. Nora & Will went to dance at Grays.

Aug 9 And got home at 3 oclock this morning. Brought Mother a letter from Uncle John Enlow. Mark & I hauled brick. Built a couple of piers for Mr. Clark. Bun was with me in afternoon. Wrote a card to Sister Nina. Mrs. ____ Peeples, Mrs. Frank Cook & Gertie Wait were here for tea. Their boys came for them in evening.

Aug 10 Cut our oats and got most of it in shock. Cloudy and cool all day. Very cool for time of year. Rained about 6 P.M.

Aug 11 Clear & cool. Hauled a couple of loads of brick and then came home & went to work in the oats which we finished about 6 oclock. Mark also took some straw to F. Gee & Co and brought home a load of manure. Sis was in town after some medicine for Aunt Margaret who does not get much better. George is better but quite weak.

Aug 12 Hauled a load of sand & some more brick to Daniel Crumrines. Mark mowed the oats field where the machine missed cutting & after dinner I helped him till it up. Hauled more sand and sifted some. Went to town after supper. C. Alouson paid me $18.00.

Aug 13 Clear & pleasant. Colts got in lower oats field & we had to go down this morning and straighten it up. Went with Sis & Bun after berries after noon. Got a few blackberries & gooseberries. Annie Norris Kendall came to McMillans. Stopped a few minutes to see us. Rilla Nusbaum & sister Clara called in afternoon. Sis wrote a letter to Nina in answer to one she got from her yesterday.

Aug 14 Clear & warm. Commenced to build chimney in Dan Crumrines new house. Mark hauled manure.

Aug 15 Clear & hot. Worked at Crumrines chimnies. Stephen Adcans (who is attending me) is not able to work & we knocked off before 5 oclock. I paid him off & bade him _____ him rent a while. Mark with Joe McConner & Wm Post got about 2/3 of our oats in the barn. Went to town in evening to look for another laborer in Stephens place. Found one. Sis & the boys went to Aunt Mary Jesses with me.

Aug 16 Hauled a few brick in morning and worked balance of day at Crumrines chimneys. Mark commenced to plow some clover sod. Had a heavy rain in evening.

Aug 17 Cloudy without rain. Hauled a few brick and worked at Crumrines chimneys. Got one done & began another. Mark plowed.

Aug 18 Cool weather for time of year. Worked at Crumrines. Mark plowed. Sis and Nora went to arrange Nina's house before she returns from her 2 months visit to Iowa & Indiana. Paid Mrs. Marshall $9.00 for pasture. All I owed.

Aug 19 Clear pleasant. Worked at Crumrines Chimneys till noon. Afternoon attended Farmers meeting. Only a few were there but we concluded to meet again 1st Saturday in September. Mark hauled sand in forenoon & afterwards got in balance of our oats. Joe Mc & _____ Post helped him. Nina and Mabel Garrigues got home at 9 A.M. Mother & Sis went to their house and had all in readiness for them. They are both well, tho I did not see Mabel) & enjoyed their trip very much. Particularly their visit in Iowa.

Aug 20 Clear & fine. After breakfast Minnie Walker & I went after blackberries. Got 2 or 3 gallons and were back at 11 oclock. Went over to Milton Davis & up to brickyard. In afternoon took Aunt Mary Hise home. She spent the afternoon here. Levi Straley called in evening & wants a cistern built. I have not time to do it now.

Aug 21 Worked at Crumrines chimneys with Lou Patterson to help me. Charley Adams hauling brick. Had a rain in the afternoon which stopped us for about an hour. Mark finished plowing down the clover and in afternoon hauled one load of sand over Mrs. Trimble a load of saw dust.

Aug 22 Clear & warm. Worked at Crumrines chimneys but did not get done as I expected to. Sis and Minnie went after berries before breakfast and found them very plentiful. Nina & Mabel were here all day.

Aug 23 Finished Crumrines chimneys at noon & afterwards made some fence & turned steers in lower pasture. Went to town with Nora and Bun a few minutes before supper. Got papers from Louisville & W. Liberty. Weather pleasant. Sis & Minnie gathered more blackberries. Mark plowed.

Aug 24 So foggy this morning that I had some trouble to find the cows. Cleared off tho after a bit and was warm & pleasant all day. Hauled brick & Mark hauled out manure on wheat field.

Aug 25 Hauled Brick. Rained in afternoon. Phebe & Libbie Hise & children were here.

Aug 26 Cloudy & wet. Went down to Eugene Suliots and got 325 bay window brick which I left there last year. Took them to Milton Davis where I can use them. Rained

most of the time when I was coming back. Took the other team to town in afternoon & got Billy shod all round. Bought of R. Jobes a pair of Rubber boots for 3.50 of Geo Gibson a pair of kid boots which he made for me. Paid $.50. gave Aunt Margaret $30.00 & she & Sis went shopping in afternoon. Went to town after supper but to little purpose. Raining steadily at 9 P.M.

Aug 27 Think it rained all night & is still rainingat breakfast time. Cattle got out of lower pasture and we had to go and attend to them. About noon they broke out again and we brought them up & put them with the cows. Sis, Bun & I went over to Uncle Tims in afternoon. Found Aunt Mary some better, but still unable sit up. Nora went with Burt Burton & Gertie Wait to Quaker meeting at Damascusville. Wrote an article of agreement for the sale of a lot on Brickyard to Wm Kelly.

Aug 28 Cloudy & moderately cool. Built a foundation for an addition to one of Dr Rushs houses on High street & hauled 2 loads of brick afterwards. Sold a lot to Wm H. Kelly. He paid $25.00 down & signed an article to pay the balance at stated periods. We left the agreement with E. A. Lease & Co. John Street paid me $14.95 & C. Higgins 10.35. I deposited 30.00 in 1st Nat. Mark plowed. Sis & Nora went for berries in the morning. Got 11 qts.

Aug 29 Cool & pleasant. Commenced laying Brick at Milton Davis. Mark hauled brick. Sis went this afternoon out to Scott Wilsons whose wife was very sick. Not expected to live. 8 P.M. Bart Burton has just came with the news that poor Emma is dead. We are all very very sorry to hear it, as she was one of Sis's dearest friends and a most excellent woman. The last report was contradicted before bedtime &

Aug 30 Sis was out to see Em who was still alive at 11 A.M. since which time we have not heard from her. Worked at Davis's. Mark took some wheat to mill & plowed. Burt & Morris thrashed & we borrowed 22 bu oats from B

Aug 31 Cloudy. Drizzled rain a little early in the morning. Worked all day at Davis. Aunt Margaret visited at Major Clemmens. Mother went over to Uncle Tims. Aunt Mary Gee is quite sick. At night Nora went to a party at Jacob Schillings.

Sep 1 Worked at Davis all day.

Sep 2 Worked at Davis. Quite at 5 P.M. and went to town after supper. Rained hard in evening. Emma Wilson died at 4:30 this morning. Hopes were entertained for a day or two that she would rally & perhaps recover, but she did not. Women folks were over to Uncle Tims in afternoon.

Sep 3 Think it rained most of the night. In forenoon went with Aunt Margaret out to Scott Wilsons. Poor fellow he feels his loss dearly & his two little boys have lost as good a Mother as ever boys had. After dinner Mother Bun & I went over to Uncle Tim's.

Aunt Mary is still very unwell & Uncle feels very much discouraged. Tried to cheer him all I could. When we came home found Nina & Mabel Garrigues here. Norman has gone to Virginia to set up an Engine & they will stay with us till he comes back.

Sep 4 Worked in forenoon at Milton Davis & afternoon with Sis & Nora attended Emma Wilsons funeral. A very large number of her friends were there & as the house is close to the cemetery, all walked to the grave instead of riding. We went back to the house & stayed a few minutes & then came away. I stopped in town a while to look up a few little matters & rode home with Nora who made a return trip. After supper I drove over to Uncle Tims. Found all in bed but Uncle & he thought Aunt Mary was about the same. Rachel was not very well.

Sep 5 Worked all day at Davis. Sis was at Uncle Tims. The folks at home were frightened by a tramp who came peering in at the windows & acting in a strange manner. Nora called Mark in from the field & the fellow took himself off. They first gave him something to eat which he asked for but did not want. If I had been here I think I should have given him the Bounce. I must write to Uncle Wm.

Sep 6 Clear & fine. Lovely weather. Worked at Davis all day. In evening went to Dr Rushs and brought Aunt M Nora & Sis home. They were there to tea. Frank was out in evening.

Sep 7 Worked at Davis all day. Sis was at Uncle Tims. Aunt Mary is no better.

Sep 8 Worked at Davis all day and got done. Dr Rush came to the building and told me he did not think Aunt Mary Gee could live till morning. I telegraphed the same to Uncle Wm Hise. Went to Uncle Tims in evening.

Sep 9 And stayed there all night. Aunt Mary is very low. Aunt Margaret & Mother are both there. I came away about 7 oclock. Attended to some business in town. Jerry Lay paid me $44.00 for brick. 28 of which I paid to R. Bricker for work at Brians. Drew $190.00 out of Bank & lent $200.00 to Warren & Monroe _____ & took a mortgage on our brick for $225.00. got a dispatch from Uncle Wm saying that Aunt Rachel would be here tonight. Aunt Mary Gee died at about 12 today.

Sep 10 Was up a little after 2 oclock this morning & went to the station to meet Aunt Rachel who came on 3 oclock train. Brought her home with me & she got a rest before breakfast. After wards took her over to Uncle Tims & brought Mother home with me. Went to station again & got Aunt Rachel's trunk which Sis Nina & Frank went or rather started over to Uncle Tims with. Met with an accident on the road. Harness broke going down hill. Wagon upset & Nina got badly scared tho neither of them were hurt. Nina walked back to Charley Silvers & stayed there till Sis & Frank came back when she & Sis walked home together. Went up town in evening and and engaged some beef for Uncle Tims. Wrote a letter to Uncle Wm Hise.

Sep 11 Cool for time of year. Dusty in roads. Attended Aunt Marys funeral. A large number of friends followed her remains to their last resting place. She was a purely unselfish person & her reward should be great. Bought a set of harness of F. A. Knowles for $28.00. Also new cookstove of A. H. Harris for $30.00. he brought it out & set it up & took the old one away. I went over to Uncle Tims in evening.

Sep 12 And stayed there all night. Came to town in the forenoon. Settled with the widow of C. Kinnaman. Gave her a note for 275.00 and due bill for the remainder 54.69 cts. Got a card from Probate Judge ordering me to distribute the above according to law. Want to build a chimney for Dr Rush, but there was no lime in town except a barrel at Milt Davis which I secured. Milt & I settled. He paid me all he owed me 173.20. took Aunt Margaret over to Uncle Tims in evening. She will stay all night.

Sep 13 Built a chimney for Dr Rush on High street & set a grate for Mary Seeds on Hawley avenue. Mark dug 13 bushels of potatoes. Very fine weather.

Sep 14 Worked at Garrigues shop repairing fire walls. Got Milton Davis check cashed and deposited 180.00 in 1st Nat. Bank.

Sep 15 Worked at Garrigues shop. Got pair of pants of R. P. Justice. Weather pleasant like Indian Summer. Blanche _____ is here helpingto sew. Aunt Margaret & Nora are getting ready for their trip to Iowa.

Sep 16 Finished my job at Garrigues shop & settled with Norman. He owed & paid me by check $18.25. intended to repair a chimney on Dry st. but put it off till Monday. Went to town in afternoon & tried to collect some money but did not get any. Aunt Rachel (who is here to stay all night & Mother took dinner at Ninas & they with Aunt Margaret took supper at Aunt Marys. Sara McMillan & Alice were here to supper. Frank brought the folks home from town & I went to bed. Am not feeling well.

Sep 17 After breakfast Bun & I took a walk to the woods. Tramped the corn fields etc. Will took Aunt Rachel & Mother over to Uncle Tims. I howed up the celery in garden. It looks well. After dinner I took Bun & Geo over to Uncle Tims & brought Mother home. Roads quite dusty. Weather dry.

Sep 18 Fixed a chimney for John Fugate on Dry street. After noon Bun & I gathered some elderberries. Took Aunt Mary Hise home. She helped our folks sew today. Mark harrowed wheat ground. Bought some ____ meal & bran for calves. Hurt my back on Fugates roof & it is very sore. Little cloudy in evening.

Sep 19 After going over to Uncle Tims of an errand Bro Wm Bun & I went out to James Whinerys. I was in search of some good seed wheat. Did not get any of Mr. W. as he had not threshed. He went with us to Jos Beaumonts, but he had not threshed. After noon I went out to Sam Pattersons & got 10-1/2 bu. Bun went with me. Bro Will started

to Chicago at 4:13. he will probably go to Iowa before he returns. Cloudy with some rain in evening. Some barns near Alliance were stricken by lightning & burned.

Sep 20 Cloudy, but not enough rain to stop us drilling wheat. Got our wheat in nicely. According to the Marker on drill we put in about 7-1/2 acres & I guess it is about right. Sowed on the 7-1/2 acres a little over 10-/2 bu wheat. (ran out before we were done & got enough at McMillans to finish) about 1250 lbs bone & nearly 1 bu timothy seed. J. Schmaltz run the drill & I drove. Mother & Aunt Margaret & Geo were at Uncle Tims most of the day. Frank is here in evening. Geo Harris's men were out to examine our new stove. Has not given satisfaction. Thought they found what was wrong with it.

Sep 21 Cloudy and wet. Rained most of the forenoon & was cloudy balance of the day. Went to town in the morning. Got some money and paid my bill at F. Gee & Co. it amounted altogether to $39.10. Rented a room on 2nd floor of Trinity Block to J. C. Steiner who is getting up a class in Bookkeeping. Rented him the room to 1st of November next for $5.00 which he paid me. At 4:13 P.M. Aunt Rachel Aunt Margaret & Nora started to West Liberty. Sis Howell & I went to depot with them. They were unable to secure berths in a sleeping car (for which I am sorry) but they each got a comfortable seat & hope they will reach their destinations safely. Before coming home I went over to Dan Haiblys after our colts which had broken out. Mark had already gotten them. Our family at the supper table seemed small with Aunt Margaret & Nora & we talked of them a good deal. We all hope they may have _____.

Sep 22 Cleared out & rid up corn crib & wheat bins & made some other preparations for threshing. Went to J. Hillimons in afternoon to see Dave Haifly. Thinks he cannot thresh for us before Monday. All right. Went to town.

Sep 23 Hauled 1350 brick for Wm Sprague. Picked some peaches for Sis. Afternoon went with Norman Garrigues to Leetonia to see a game of base ball. Did stay till the game was finished. Got home a little after 6 P.M. went up town after supper and borrowed 25 grain bags of F. Gee & Co. got a letter from Uncle Fred Sheets. Aunt Lizzie has had another cancer removed & was quite unwell & nearly exhausted. Uncle Fred is much discouraged. Threshers set up their machines ready for business on Monday.

Sep 24 After breakfast settled the cattle & borrowed 3 pitch forks of Mr. Dickey who lives on Sharps place. Puttered about some more getting ready for threshing. Went out to Geo Brooks & got a plate he made for me & mark grain bags. Sis Mother & Geo went to Uncle Tims. I wrote a letter to Aunt Margaret & Nora.

Sep 25 Threshed. Got along splendidly. Had a first rate set of hands. But not a very big yield of grain. 176 bu wheat. About 20 bu to the acre. 287 bu oats. Something over 40 to the acre. Paid Haifly 12.78 & paid the hands 1.50 each. Got a letter & postal card from Nora & Mother. They got to West Liberty on time & in good shape. Rilla Nusbaum helped Sis today & I will take her to town this evening.

Sep 26 Dug potatoes. Hauled some straw to J. M. Woodruff & F. Gee & Co. Made out & sent report to Bureau of Labor Statistics. Went to Brickyard a while.

Sep 27 Rained all day. Mark & I worked at barn all day. Repaired floors in stables. Went to town few minutes in eve. Sis was to town & got a long letter from Nora.

Sep 28 Hauled some straw to Furman Gee & Joseph Kerr. Went to brickyard and piled down some brick.

Sep 29 Cleaned up some wheat & took to mill. Hauled brick balance of day. Went to hear Ex Gov Na____ in evening. Like him.

Sep 30 Mark finished digging our potatoes. We assorted them & sold 15 bushels to E. A. Lease & Co at 40 cents per bushel. Talked with Daniel Koll about brick & building. Reset the grate in our dining room. Got a letter from Aunt Margaret who together with Nora & Bro Will are now I presume in Washington, Iowa. One of our cows (Annie) has a fine calf.

Oct 1 Clear & fine. After breakfast went to pasture and salted the cattle. Brought fresh cow & calf up from the saw mill. Put the calf in the barn & fed it by hand this evening. Went over to Uncle Tim. Met them going to church. Drove on to John Gaunts and got back to Uncle Tims in time for dinner. Found David & Mrs Yengling and boys here when I got home. Put our colts in the barn. Want to have one of them treated for spavin. Wrote a letter to Mother & Nora. Rilla Nusbaum came & will stop with us a while.

Oct 2 Clear & fine. Built a cistern for Levi Straley for which he paid me ($3.00). I generally charge $5.00 for a cistern of same size, but Levi is a neighbor & a good one & I therefore charged him less. Mark hauled some brick & a load of coal. Also brought our crop of beans into the barn.

Oct 3 Hauled some wood etc and topped out a chimney for Dr Rush. Did not get done till nearly dark. Mark hauled manure & took some more straw to F. Gee & Co.

Oct 4 Clear & fine. Sis & the boys & Rilla & myself went to Canfield fair. We did not start early enough and did not get there till nearly noon. They had a splendid show of short-horn cattle. About as good (the cows. There were not many bulls) as I ever saw. Did not get to look them over as much as I wanted to. Did not see the horses at all except some that were racing. Next fair we go to we shall try to get an earlier start. On our way home we were stopped by Plympton Gee & his good wife who so earnestly requested us to stop and take supper with them. That we did so. Made us a little later getting home. But the milking is done now and everything _____. Uncle Tim & Geo were at Plymptons & will stay there all night. Our boys enjoyed the day very much. We left Rilla who wanted to stay and _____ _____ _____ _____ field.

Oct 5 Clear & warm. Hauled 3 loads of brick & piled down a lot. Went to town after supper & engaged a man to work at Brkyd tomorrow piling down brick. Want the pavers. Mark & Joe McConner hauled in hay out of stack. Got a letter from Nora. Wrote her a postal card.

Oct 6 Clear & fine. After doing regular chores got ready to work at celery in garden when Sam Patterson came and wanted me to go to Jacob Sells sale. Went with him and stayed there most all day. Coming home to dinner. Rachel Gee was here to dinner. Went to town in evening and to a show in Concert Hall. Hartz. Illusionist was there & I was satisfied with his performance. There was with him among others a clairvoyant. Her performances were new to me and interested me much. Mark & Joe hauled in hay.

Oct 7 Clear warm & pleasant. Fine weather. Hauled load of clay to pottery & some brick to Wm Morris. Went to town & out to Pattersons in afternoon. E. A. Lease & Co paid me $93.50 for rent & potatoes. Sis & Bun went to the show. Got a letter from Nora. Aunt Margaret is not well & we may expect her home soon. Mark went to Pats.

Oct 8 Clear & fine. Did the chores. Applied some Caustic Balsum on one of my colts for sprain. Arthur McMillan gave me the medicine. Mailed a letter to Nora which Sis wrote. Got a letter from Nora. Aunt M was a little better. Frank was here to dinner & Aunt Mary Hise & Gertie Wait were here in afternoon.

Oct 9 Sent money order for $60.00 to Uncle Wm Hise for Aunt Margaret & Nora. Mark came home before noon. Pat came with him. I built chimney top for Dr Rush. Sis took Mother to Uncle Tims where she will stay till tomorrow. Got another letter from Nora. Aunt Margaret is better. Mark hauled a load of manure in afternoon. A good many Salemites went to Canfield to see a horse race. 4 horses competed. Dock Howells, Jack Thomas, Frank Dunlaps & E. Mildies. Dock Howell took 1st money & Dunlap 2nd, so Erock McArner told me. Little cooler today.

Oct 10 Clear & fine. Picked some of our apples. State election. Voted the Republican ticket. Went to town after supper. Sold some butter & eggs & bought sugar and coffee. Mark hauled brick & J. Mc cut corn.

Oct 11 Cloudy and cooler. Went to town and went to Uncle Tims to bring Mother home. She has gone to Ninas with George Gee. Picked apples in afternoon. Frank hauled brick yard clay. ____ _____ _____ _____.

Oct 12 Clear & fine. Picked apples & did chores about home. Mark hauled some brick to W. Shrug____ & 3 loads clay to Brickyard. Joe McConner cut corn. Was in town a while in morning.

Oct 13 Clear in forenoon & picked some apples. Mark hauled a couple of loads of clay to Buckeye & after dinner went for a load of coal. Took Bun with him. Rained before

they got back, but they had an umbrella. Rained very hard about 5 P.M.

Oct 14 Clear & fine after last nights rain. Was up at 4:30 and saw the comet. It is much the most beautiful one I ever saw. It is in the southeast & its tail turned the zenith. Picked some apples. Went to town in afternoon awhile & again after apples. Mrs. Kinnaman was here and I paid her $54.69. the amount in full of a due bill I gave her some weeks ago. Mother got a letter from Bro Wm who was & is I suppose at Washington Iowa. He is having an excellent time and we were all pleased to get his letter. I think it is the first one he ever wrote. Jim Sears paid me $5.60. Rilla went home, or I believe she goes next to Ernest Sharpnacks. I paid her $4.50. Mark cut corn most of the day.

Oct 15 Clear and fine. Was up early. Saw the comet again. Salted the cattle. Wrote a couple of letters. After _____ riding with Sis & boys. Aunt Mary Jesse was here when we got back. Took her home in buggy.

Oct 16 Clear & warm. Finished picking apples. Hauled a load of brick to Emmor Silver. Mark & Joe cut corn.

Oct 17 Partially clear and cloudy. Took some apples to town and sold them at $1.00 per bu. Got the old plow fixed. Went to plow some in the lane. Also brought my wheelbarrow home from the shop where Mercers boys left for repair. Mark and Joe finished cutting corn. Picked up apples and Mark hauled a load of manure from W. Hinchliffes. Worked some at road in lane. Norman and Nina Garrigues went to Cleveland and Mabel is here to stay all night.

Oct 18 Worked at the lane. Got a scraper in town. Broke our plow and had to get it fixed. Got all the plowing done & some scraping. Sis got a letter from Uncle Geo Hise.

Oct 19 Working in the lane. Brought home "Old Brindle" from the woods. She has a fine calf. Went to town after dinner. F. Alexander paid me $125.90 all he owed me. Got a letter from Mother. Julia Strong was here last night. Went home today.

Oct 20 Clear & cooler. Heavy frost this morning. Worked at the lane. Bought two yearling steers of Jobby McConner. They weigh 1500 and I paid him 66 dollars for them. Afternoon took a bushel of Rambo apples over to Uncle Tims. Also took a barrel which he will fill and send to the Iowa folks. Began hauling stone on the lane. It will take a good many to complete the job but I think it will pay. Deposited in bank $200.00.

Oct 21 Clear and fine. Set a grate for Dr Rush and topped out a chimney for John Weaver. Mark and Joe McConner worked hauling stone. Went to town after supper. Simon Stratton paid me $35.00 he still owes me $1.00. Bun went with me to John Weavers and while we were walking back he remarked that the "Maple trees were getting bald".

Oct 22 Was up at 6 oclock and churned after breakfast. Salted the cattle & went over

to Evans after one of my colts, but had to come home without her. Don Haibleys horses are over here in afternoon. Went to Town Hall & heard A. B. Bradford lecture on "Sectarian Legislation", which was well worth listening to. Took Stephen Adams some butter milk. Uncle Tim was here when I got home.

Oct 23 Went down to Eugene Suliots and spent most of the day there trying to reset some grates. Did not make a success of it & will go again on Wednesday and do the thing up right. Mark & Joe McConner hauled stone in the lane. Weather clear & rather pleasant.

Oct 24 Clear & pleasant tho somewhat cool. Repaired pavement for Dr Rush on Main street. Got a letter from Sister Fannie. Also one from A. Huncilman together with cash to the amt of $21.75. the money was for some cemetery lots in New Albany Ind. Which he sold for us. I gave the money to Mother. Mark & Joe finished hauling stone in the lane & took one load to town for Aunt Mary Hise. Rachel & Maggie Gee were here to dinner & stayed a portion of the afternoon.

Oct 25 Clear & windy. Worked all day at Eugene Suliots fixing a grate. Got I think a good job. Walked home. Sis took me down & brought horse home. Mark & Jo hauled gravel etc.

Oct 26 Clear & pleasant. Turned young cattle in lower pasture and fixed the fences. Applied Caustic Balsum to Nancy's leg. Went to town with Bun to see the show parades. Didn't see much of it, but will go to the show this afternoon. Examined acct with Wm & Ed Pidgeon. They owed me $311.81. Paid me $125.00. deposited $150.00 in Bank. Am 38 years old.

Oct 27 Cloudy and wet. Rained several showers during the day, but Mark pegged away and hauled 3 loads of gravel on the lane & a load of sawdust to Ms. Trimble. I assorted our apples & took 7 bu to E. A. Lease & Co & sold them for 1.00 per bu. Also sold 9-1/2 lbs butter to Geo W. Thomas. Got letters from Nora & Elmer C. Hise. Paid interest on Mrs. Erylands note $21.00.

Oct 28 Cloudy without rain. Laid some stone in front of carriage house. Cleaned up some wheat & in afternoon took it to mill & brought the flour home with me at 4 oclock. Sis & Bun went to town with me. I took 50 lbs flour to Mrs. Matthews. Buckeye Engine Co paid me 10.50 for clay. Got a letter from Mother. Mark hauled gravel & sawdust.

Oct 29 Clear & pleasant. Some windy. Took a walk. Salted the cattle. Picked a few more apples & gathered our crop of squashes. In afternoon Sis & boys & I went to Uncle Tims. Brought home a few nice pumpkins. Wrote a postal to Mother & Nora.

Oct 30 Clear & pleasant. Took some speckled and small apples to Girdwoods Jelly factory and sold them for $1.50. went to brick yard and got a few brick and repaired some chimney tops for Prestin Alexander. When I got home I found our cousin "Wilk"

Chaney here. He lives in Hartford Warren Co Iowa and has come to make us a visit. We are all glad to see him. Mark hauled 3 loads of gravel on the lane and a load of stone to Aunt Mary. I have taken a cold and do not feel good.

Oct 31 Mark got in a couple more loads of gravel which is all we will put on the lane at present. I hauled some stone with Dolly and one horse wagon. Went to town with Wilk in afternoon.

Nov 1 Mark buried our cabbage & he & I put 1 row of celery in the cellar. Went to town afternoon. Dan Crumrine paid me $125.00 for building chimneys inhis new house. I put it in Bank.

Nov 2 Worked about the barn all morning fixing a place for chickens. Loaded some straw which Mark took to F. Gee & Co. he hauled a load of coal in forenoon. Wick took horse & buggy and went to Aunt Ura's. Mother went to Ninas & spent the day.

Nov 3 Clear & fine. Cool in morning. Put up some chicken roosts & afterwards Mark & I pulled and put in the root cellar at the barn over crop of beets. 110 bushels. More than I expected than would be. Went to town with Wilk after supper. Got a letter from Dr. Sampsell Indianapolis with draft for 26.78 enclosed. The amt he owed me. Bun & Lena helped us pull beets & tonight they were having lots of fun.

Nov 4 Clear & fine. Mark Wick & I pulled our crop of turnips & buried them in the garden. Had 8 bushels. Sis is quite unwell. Had Dr Rush come out to see her. Left some medicine. I went to town in forenoon & again in evening. Got some money out of Bank and gave Mark 100 dollars. He started away after dinner. Pat came down for him. I hired Mark to come back 1st of March. Wick took Dolly and buggy and went to Uncle Tims.

Nov 5 Clear cool & fine. Have been out all day hunting a girl. Did not find one for sure. but am on the track. Sis is no better and is quite unwell. Nina and Mabel were here in afternoon. Wrote a letter to folks in Iowa. Cow stepped on my foot in the barn & its sore.

Nov 6 Cloudy & some wet. Started out in the morning to haul brick. Hauled one load and came home as it was too wet. In afternoon went out to see Mrs. Eliza Kinnaman who promised to come and stay with us a while. Sis is still pretty sick. Dr Rush was here again. Mark Lyons Jr was here for dinner. Came down after a box belonging to Mark Sr. Raining at 7 P.M.

Nov 7 Cloudy and drizzly. After breakfast went and got Mrs. Kinnaman who will stay with us a while. Sis does not seem to improve very fast. Got a bottle of wine for her of Dr Rush. Paid John W. Satterthwait $1133.00 & lifted a mortgage on the farm. Hauled a load of brick etc. wrote a letter in reply to one from Mother.

Nov 8 After doing chores hauled a load of paving brick for Dr Rush. Sold butter and eggs & engaged R. Bricker to do some work for me. Husked a little corn etc. Sis seems about the same as she was yesterday. She is pretty sick.

Nov 9 Cloudy and warm. Some rain in afternoon. Hauled 1 load brick to Buckeye Works and a load of sand on Ellsworth st where I have a cistern to build. Sis is apparently no better. Am getting very anxious about her.

Nov 10 Hauled a load of brick for a cistern on Ellsworth St. worked some at it in afternoon. Bricker built a chimney for me on Broadway & I engaged him to finish the cistern. Have my hands more than full. Besides a sick wife who is no better tonight.

Nov 11 Husked some corn before going to town to see how the cistern was progressing. Wilk helped me. Hauled a little sand etc. went to town after supper. Paid Webster Spencer 3.50 for work on cistern. Weather clear and warm.

Nov 12 Was up quite early. Too much to do as now toile in bed. Went to plant a hitching post in the lane, but could not find post hole digger. Presume it is at McMillans. Got in more window glass & did chores at barn. Took a walk over the farm with Cousin Wilk, who walked to town and got Sis a couple of oranges which she seems to relish & which agree with her pretty well. She is still quite sick, but I think on the whole is a little bit better. Wrote a letter to Mother and Nina.

Nov 13 Cloudy with some rain and snow. Went to town with some letters for the mail. Bought some groceries etc. sold butter and eggs. Peter Heitsman an old friend took dinner with us. He and Wilk and I put the celery in the garden in good shape & then we took Peter to the station. Wilk and I went up town a few minutes. Got a letter from Bro Will.

Nov 14 Clear & cool. Worked at the barn all day getting ready for young stock that I want to bring in pretty soon. Monroe Mercer husked corn ½ day. Sis does not get much better. Mother is almost sick & I guess we shall have to get more help.

Nov 15 After breakfast Wilk & I hitched up the team and went to town. Hauled home tools etc from cistern on Ellsworth St. Hauled a load of boards from Brickyard to fix cattle stables. Wrote a letter to Bro Wm who is at West Liberty. Monroe hauled in corn. Monroe Mercer husked yesterday. Mrs. Geo Martin called to look over our old account of Georges we did not settle. Took more time to the matters up. Got a letter from Nora. Also one from Louis B. Fulton, Pittsburgh.

Nov 16 Cloudy and clear at intervals. Warm. Husked corn some with Warren Mercer. Hauled in 39 bu round corn. Planted a hitching post etc etc. Sis seems better.

Nov 17 Cloudy and wet. Rained most of the forenoon. Ezra Wait helped me at the

barn till noon & after dinner we hauled a load of brick. Went to town after supper. Bought for Sis a few Malaga grapes which she relished. Sold butter and eggs. Charles Gamble paid me ($28.50 for building cistern on Ellsworth st.

Nov 18 Ezra Wait & I worked at stables till noon. Afterwards hauled in corn that Warren Mercer husked. Went to town a while after supper.

Nov 19 Did chores about the barn & salted cattle. When I got around it was nearly noon. After dinner Wilk & I walked over to Uncle Tims. He was away but the girls were at home. Found them well. Nina & Mabel were here. Also Dave & Mary Yengling. Sis is getting better.

Nov 20 Clear or partially so. Cool & rather pleasant for work. Warren Mercer & E. G. Wait husked corn & I hauled in about 40 bu. Went to town to mail a letter to Mother and Nora. Sold butter & eggs. Think Sis is still on the mend.

Nov 21 Cloudy & clear at intervals. No rain. Got in a couple of loads of corn. Unloaded the last one after supper. Cousin Wilk Chaney left today. Will stop in Jennings Co Ind & from there to Iowa. Got a letter from Mother. The Sheriff closed F. Alexanders store today at the insistance I believe of Appenheimer Hayes & Co Rochester N.Y.

Nov 22 Cloudy without rain. Had a great chase after one of my colts (Bell) she got out of pasture yesterday in the afternoon and was gone all night. I found her in Daniel Koll's front yard. Ezra Wait & I got in 100 bu of corn he using Dolly & I spring wagon. H. Gray paid me 4.00 rent.

Nov 23 Very windy & pretty cold. Got in another 100 bushels of corn. Went to town after supper. Took Bun with me. Sent letter to Mother.

Nov 24 Cloudy, windy & cold. Boys did not husk today & Uncle Ez & I got in all the corn that was husked. I hauled a load of coal in afternoon. Mrs. Smith, Mother of Mrs. Flo Johnson is here. Sis is not as well neither is Mother.

Nov 25 Went to town in morning after getting chores done to do some necessary errands. Sold some butter & eggs to Geo Thomas & got some delicacies for Sis who is not much better. In afternoon I got in 2 loads of corn. Bun & I walked to town after supper. Clear & pleasant at bedtime.

Nov 26 Began to snow about 8 A.M. as soon as I saw it I went to work setting up corn fodder which was badly blown down by the wind Thursday & Friday. Got it all set up but it was a job. Got wet through with the snow but no harm done. Frank is here to dinner & Nina walked out in afternoon.

Nov 27 Took Auntie Smith to the depot. She went from here to Alliance. Promised to

come and see us again in the spring. Left one of my saws with Victor Bean to have it sharpened. Also got him to sharpen scissors. Did not get time to work at the stables much but Uncle Ez _____ away all day. In evening went to hear B. F. Underwood lecture in Evolution. A vast subject.

Nov 28 Pretty cold. Worked at the stables all day. Uncle E helped me. We are getting them in pretty good shape.

Nov 29 Got our stables ready for the cattle & in afternoon we brought them in. had a big time tieing them up but finally got each one just where we wanted him. Mr. & Mrs. Patterson were here in afternoon. I went to town after supper.

Nov 30 Thanksgiving day & I did not do much. Bun & I went to town & saw some fine steel engravings on exhibition at Hawleys book store. Wish I had money to spare to buy one or two. Perhaps I shall have someday. Sis took dinner with us in dining room. I carried her out. She is quite weak but improving.

Dec 1 Some warmer than it has been a few days. After doing feeding in morning took some corn & oats to mill. In afternoon hauled a load of coal to Mrs. Matthews. Got home late.

Dec 2 Cloudy & latter part of day cold and stormy. Uncle Ez was here & worked some at calf stables. Sold 2 year old mare (Belle) to T. L. Stanley for $125.00 a good price for a good animal. Brought home feed from mill. Very stormy. Now from north east.

Dec 3 Knocked about the barn till almost noon. Sat with Sis till time to feed again & then went at it. Looked for some company but the weather is so inclement none came. Pretty cold.

Dec 4 Coldest morning I think of the season so far. Uncle Ez came out & we worked at stables till nearly noon. Warren Mercer was also here & he & I rigged up the sled and hauled in one load of corn to husk in the barn. Warren said one load would do & I agreed with him. It is too heavy to lift on the sled. Warren husked it out and afterwards husked 18 shocks in the field which I did not have time to haul in. took my young sow to Charley Silvers & left her there.

Dec 5 Cloudy. Warmer & in afternoon wet. Went to station at 9:16 & met Aunt Margaret & Nora who arrived in good health. Both are looking well & no doubt had a very good visit. Gertie Wait drove Dolly & buggy to the depot & I took big wagon & brought home the trunks. Uncle Ez is sick. Afternoon I hauled in a load of corn & got quite wet doing so. Brought home my pit from Chas. Silvers. Rained steadily all afternoon & at 6 P.M. is still raining.

Dec 6 Cleared off after the rain of last night and was moderately warm today. Unloaded the corn I hauled in yesterday. Greased wagon & in afternoon brought home a load of

coal. Went to town a while after supper. Sold butter etc etc.

Dec 7 Snowed last night & turned quite cold. Mercury at 10 above zero at 7 A.M. cold all day & colder at night. Was in town a while in afternoon. Loaned E. A. Lease & Co $100.00 till 1st of January. Dr Grisell was out to see Sis who is not improving very fast.

Dec 8 Very cold. Was in town most of forenoon getting horses shod. Intended to go for coal but twas too late when I got shoeing done.

Dec 9 Cloudy & warmer than yesterday. Uncle Ez & I hauled in some corn fodder. Mended some harness & lent small wagon to Warren Mercer. Hauled a load of coal in afternoon. Went to town after supper. J. C. Steiner paid me 5.00 for rent of classroom. Paid 4.75 of it to Monroe Mercer for husking corn. Snowing a little tonight.

Dec 10 Cloudy & in afternoon wet. After doing morning work took one of my cows (Annie) over to James Strattons & Anthony Fishers. Twas after 1 oclock when I got home. David & Mary Yengling were here. Ernest McMillan & cousin Fred Norris called. Sis is not so well I think tonight. Raining.

Dec 11 Cloudy & colder. Took our 4 hogs down to J. B. McConners and had them butchered. Went to town in afternoon & ground knives etc. went to Jobbys after supper & helped cut up hogs. Think I have got a cold. Do not feel well. Ezra Wait & Harry Hise hauled in all corn that was husked.

Dec 12 Some warmer. Thawed a little in afternoon. E. G. Wait & I cut up part of our meat & brought it home from McConners. Turned cattle out in afternoon & cleaned out the stables. Geo Ruggy built a cellar steps & cellar doors for me. Rachel & Maggie Gee were here. Got letter from Sister Fannie & Uncle Fred Sheets. Have a bad cold.

Dec 13 Worked at the meat & lard doings. Geo Ruggy is doing some computer work for me. Rained and snowed a portion of the day. Got one kettle of lard done.

Dec 14 Finished the lard & took sausage to Edward's to have it chopped. Had to leave it as he was very busy. Took some wheat to mill. Subscribed for Pittsburgh Stockman. Gave money to A. M. Carr. Put our meat in tubs but have not made pickle yet. E. G. Wait took turn & hauled a load of coal for himself. Afterwards hauled in load of corn that Joe McConner husked. Harry Hiscox here.

Dec 15 Cloudy & cold. Brought home sausage & delivered some of it & some lard in town. Sold butter & attended to some matters in town. Uncle Ez hauled a load of coal for me. Geo Ruggy finished making a coal box for Mothers Christmas present & I paid him off. 4.00 altogether. Harry was out all day helping around. Bun & Lena went to town with me this morning with me. Sis is very sick & I fear is getting no better. I am very anxious about her. Sis was very miserable after supper and I went up & brought Dr

Grisell out to see her. Got a change of medicine & applied mustard plaster to her bowels.

Dec 16 She did not rest very well last night & has been very miserable all day. Vomiting at short intervals. Dr brought a bottle of Champagne of which she took a little. At night she is apparently no better. Am very much concerned about her. Was in town a couple of times. Took Mothers coal box to John Garwood to have it painted. Brought home flour. Went to Hinchcliffes sale a while in afternoon. Bout a large pulley for 85 cents & a lot of mortar boards .25. Sis is still quite sick. Vomiting very often.

Dec 17 Clear & fine. Sis had another bad night & I fear is in a very serious condition. I made some pickle and put it on the meat. Had several callers. Uncle Tim, Aunt Mary Hise, Sister Nina & Mabel etc. think Sis has been rather more comfortable than she was yesterday. Frank was here.

Dec 18 Warmer than for several days past. Mark Lyons & his Nephew Mark Lyons Jr were here a while. Uncle Ez hauled a load of slack for himself & a load of coal for us. Went to town a while. Preparations are being made to sell out at Sheriffs sale F. Alexanders good. Hardly know what to put on record about Sis. She has seemed better but I fear not much. Am very very anxious about her.

Dec 19 Clear & moderate. Hauled in 3 loads of fodder & some corn that Warren Mercer & Joe McConner husked. Went to town a while in forenoon. Sis thinks she is a little better. She takes no nourishment except by injections & she is very weak. Dr Grisell thinks she is better today.

Dec 20 Cloudy and in afternoon wet. Got in another load of fodder & ought to have got in more, but I had not heart for work. Felt badly about Sis & I guess am not very well. After dinner we got in another load of corn which Warren Mercer husked. This nearly winds up our corn, there being but 20 shock in the field. We think Sis is better & I trust she is. Nora went to town with Sister Nina this evening. Howell does not seem well.

Dec 21 Cloudy & comparatively warm. Was about the house most of the day. Sis seemed to be failing fast & after supper we sent for Dr Grisell & afterwards for Dr Firestone. They counseled together & agreed that there was but one way to save Sis's (to me how precious) life. They adopted the plan & at 11 P.M. she seems to be resting pretty comfortably. Bun has toothache. Aunt Lib Wait is here to stay all night, also Harry Hise.

Dec 22 Cloudy with some rain at intervals. Dr Grisell thinks Sis is getting along as well as could be expected. I have only seen her for a few minutes at a time today. My presence seems to affect her. Bro Will got home from his western visit. Looks well. Aunt Mary Hise was here all day. Nora went to R S_____ in afternoon. Harry & I got in balance of our corn. Am glad its in.

[Note: The diary ends here, to be commenced March 30, 1883.]

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Mar 30 After an interval of three months I resume my daily record of events which have to do with our own little circle. I have found this book very useful to refer to at different times and therefore propose to continue the jotting down at the end of each day these events which more nearly concern my own family and their doings. Yesterday I was very busy in town all day. I rented one of the store rooms no. 25 to Grunner Bros of Alliance for one year. For $400.00 to be paid in monthly installments in advance. Bought Samuel Eltons shop which is on our ground north of Town Hall. J. H. French first bought it of Sam Elton & I bought it of French. Price $35.00. had it insured for $50.00 in Milwaukee Mechanics. Also paid M. L. Gering 27.00 for insurance on Farm buildings. I also yesterday received by Express 2 bushels of seed corn from Johnson & Stokes of Phil. Half of which belongs to Sam Patterson & the other ½ to me. I was not pleased with it and left my share for sale at E. A. Le____ & Co. I intended to go out Pattersons today, but it is so stormy & I am not very well anyway that I think I am better off in doors. The snow is falling fast and it looks as much like winter as any day for the past 6 months. Mark took one of our cows (Stumpy) out to John Teschers. I was in town a while in afternoon.

Mar 31 Ground is frozen pretty hard in the morning. Mark & I measured up & took out to Samuel Pattersons 20 bushels of oats. I exchange with him for seeds. I took dinner with Pattersons & came to town about 2 oclock. After seeing Pidgeon Bros & Mercer Bros I went to Victor Stove Co and had a talk with David Kee about new building. Did not settle anything. E. A. Lease & Co paid me $12.50 rent. Still we 75.00 to April 1st Bot of F. Gee & Co ½ bu clover & ¾ bu timothy. Fannie got a letter from Howell Hise.

Apr 1 Ground frozen hard this morning and all out doors has the appearance of winter. Wrote a letter to Uncle Geo Hise. Fannie & Nora went to Ben Casselberrys to dinner. Frank was here. I went horseback to Uncle Tims in afternoon. M. L. Young was there and he & I chatted for an hour or two. Uncle Tim was not at home. Wrote a card to T. Armstrong, Mt Union, O.

Apr 2 Some warmer than yesterday. Mark & I cleaned up some seed oats that we got from S. Pattersons. Loaded up some corn and oats and in afternoon took to Mill. Bought a blk of salt of Jos Koll. Also brought home 250 ft of 3 inch tile. Was up town a while. Got shoes fastened on horses. Mother is not very well.

Apr 3 Ground was frozen hard again this morning. Thawed out before noon and the sun & wind dried the roads some on top. Hauled 2 loads of tile and in afternoon some sand etc and a load of brick to Mr McLerners on East Main street. Brought home chop feed from mill. Bought 90 lbs bran for 90 cts. Was in town a while. Fannie Nora & I walked home together at 6 P.M. Joe McConner paid me $25.00 for house rent.

Apr 4 Moderately warm and clear. Worked at a chimney for Wm McLerner. Got it

almost done. Am somewhat tired at night. First work I have done for some time. Mark hauled a small load of brick & hauled some brush out of corn fields and groves. Fannie and Nora are at J. B. Strawns. Looks a little like rain.

Apr 5 Worked at McLerner still noon when it began to rain. Came home. Trimmed large grape vine. Took Nora & Fannie up to Jim Strattons where they took supper. Will brought Nora home in evening and Fan stayed all night with Nina. Was in town a while in afternoon. Mark hauled small load sand & puttered about the barn balance of day.

Apr 6 Cloudy and dull looking in the morning and continued so all day. Went to town in the morning and brought David Burford out to look at house and talk about a new roof. His figures scared me and I think we shall make old roof do a while longer. Mark hauled a load of tile and brought home new harrow from Carr & Teschers. Dave Marsh _____ dinner at Mc____.

Apr 7 Cloudy & damp. Stayed about home all the forenoon. Assorted and shelled ½ bu of seed corn & did other chores. Went to town in afternoon. Got Geo a new pair of shoes of R. Jobes. Price $1.30. paid $1.30. paid Dr. Yengling $2.50 all I owed him. Paid Savilla $6.00. Mark hauled 40 bushels coal at two loads.

Apr 8 Clear and fine. Though there was a heavy frost this morning. Bred my mare Dolly to J. B. McConners Prince Edward. Took a walk over wheat field and found them looking better than I feared I should find them. They do not look very promising though. Norman Nina and Mabel Garrigues, Ida Clark and Rachel Gee were here to dinner and spent the afternoon with us. Frank and Fannie were also here. Fannie expects to start to Iowa next Wednesday. She and Nora went home with Ida Clark and from there to Hannah Whites a while.

Apr 9 Clear & pleasant. Was in town most of the forenoon. Got F. Kesselmier to fix my watch. Main spring was broken. H. Rutzell began painting & Kalsomining the clothing storeroom. McKee & Rup were out here to look at sitting rooms which they are going to paper for us. I selected paper for the same at McMillans. In afternoon I topped some chimneys at McLerans house. Did not get done. Mark spread manure in corn field. We have a fresh cow. Rose has a heifer calf. Fannie & Nora went to Richard Kirtlans & in evening are at Ida Clarks. Fan got a letter from Howell. Uncle Wm is very unwell. Wrote a letter for Mark to Pat's folks.

Apr 10 Clear & pleasant. Finished my job at McLerans house. Went to town and to brickyard in afternoon. Bun went with me & we visited the green house in town but there are not many flowers in bloom yet. Bought a kiln of brick of Monroe & Warren Mercer $5.25 per M. No money passed yet but agreed to pay $100.00 this week. Chas Downey & Mark are digging ditch for tile drain. Aunt Mary Hise spent he day with us. Mrs. Jane Sheets was here in afternoon. Mrs. Farmer paid me $2.00 on acct. still owes me $17.00. Fannie is making readyto start west tomorrow.

Apr 11 Clear warm & windy. After breakfast I went to Joseph Wests house to repair some chimneys, but the wind blew to hard I quit. Was up town a portion of the day. Agreed to build chimneys in house on Columbia st for Young & Morlan. Price $71.00. brought home plans of ware room for Victor Stove Co & figured on them. McKee & Rup commenced to paper our sitting room. Sister Fannie started to West Liberty Iowa on 5 P.M. train. Bun Nora & I went to depot with her. Saw her comfortably seated in car. Hope she may have a pleasant and safe trip. C. Doning & Mark worked in ditch.

Apr 12 Cloudy and cooler. Rained some in forenoon but not much. Sowed some grass seed in lawn north of the house. The paper hangers finished the sitting room & I took them to town at 4 P.M. the room looks very nice. Paper cost $9.76 & hanging $11.00 in all $20.76. Mark & Nora went to help Uncle Tims folks move to town. Nora went to Japanese tea party in evening. I believe at Baptist church. Will write a card to Sister Fannie who is I presume nearing W. Liberty.

Apr 13 Partially clear & windy. Took some chickens to Mabel Garrigues and topped a couple of chimneys for Jos West. After dinner repaired top of cistern in carriage house and helped the boys some with the ditch. We found the spring in the garden that we were looking for. When we struck it the water just poured out. It is four feet deep & arched over with brick. Went to town latter part of afternoon for some tacks and forgot them. Got to talking business. Did not get home till 7 P.M. got a card from Sister Fannie written at Chicago. She got there safely and had a pleasant trip so far.

Apr 14 Put in about 100 feet of tile. Then went to town with Warren Mercer. Paid him $100.00 for brick. Brought home a cat & kittens from Norman Garrigues, but I guess the old cat ran off immediately. Bun got a card from Sister Fannie, written while crossing the Mississippi. Paid Jos Frank (to Joe Eldridge) 35.00 & took up check he held of mine. Bought Bun a suit of clothes of F. Alexander $7.50. Went to town in evening.

Apr 15 Mark & I sowed some clover seed on wheat. We undertook to harrow the wheat before sowing clover but the ground was so wet I thought it would not pay. So we shall sow without harrowing. Mary & Burt Yengling were here. It rained and Nora took them home in buggy. Sevilla who went home yesterday got back about 7 P.M. soaking wet. Bun Geo & I were up at Uncle Tims a while in afternoon. We have another fresh cow. Siddons has a heifer calf.

Apr 16 Cloudy in morning and cooler all day. Mark and Joe McConner nearly finished sowing clover seed. Afterwards Joe worked at the ditch and Mark hauled manure. One load out of barnyard for hot bed and two loads from town in potato patch. I took Dolly to J. B. McConners again. Went to Victor Stove works and gave them proposition for stove work. Took some wheat to Mill. Bought new steel mold board for plow etc etc. Frank is now making his home here. He is very anxious to attend some School of Music but has not the money. I told him we would lend him on credit for 6 months & he could then save enough to try it. Nora went to town in evening. I got a letter from May Teeters. Will answer it.

Apr 17 Clear & rather pleasant. Brought home grist from Buckeye Mill & then helped J. B. Strawn survey the old brickyard. Afternoon laid some tile in ditch and afterwards Bun & I went to town a little while. Ground ditching spade as we have some tough sod to cut tomorrow. Mark hauled manure in garden and potato patch. C. Downey & J. McConner worked at the ditches which are progressing slowly. Sister Nina was out a while this afternoon.

Apr 18 Clear & pleasant. Mark plowed garden and peach orchard where we shall plant potatoes. Put manure in hot bed. Went to town afternoon. Took contract for stone work & Brick work for a ____ house for Victor Stove Co. put up the stone work for 1.50 a perch & they furnish the stone & I do the Brick work for $2340.00 & furnish everything. Lou Patterson was here for early potatoes. Gave him ½ bu ____ of _____ Aunt Margaret was at Uncle Tims. Mother at ____ ____. Mark began to plow oats in afternoon.

Apr 19 Cloudy. Some rain in afternoon. Made some garden in the morning. Planted onions, beets & lettuce. Went to town then taking some papers to P. Ambler. Mark plowed till noon & in afternoon he & I looked over our potatoes in cellar & put them all in crates. Went down to Levi Straleys & brought home nearly a bushel of Clarks Early potatoes which he made me a present of. Gertie Wait is here to stay all night. Uncle Tim called in morning. He expects to start west tomorrow.

Apr 20 Went to town in morning intending to go to station and see Uncle Tim off, but met him on the street and found he would not start till tomorrow. Came and cut potatoes for seed till noon. After noon we planted the peach orchard full. Went up to Uncle Tims after supper, tho I was very tired.

Apr 21 Bun & I started out some after breakfast. Weather cool, and an overcoat felt good. Went up to Brickyard & told Warren Mercer to return my wagon & harness. Went out to Uncle Tims farm and got a collar belonging to his horse. Brought said horse home & will keep her till Uncle Timreturns. After dinner we got in about 3 acres of oats. I and Mark plowed & Joe McConner harrowed. We afterwards brought home lumber for wind mill derrick. Paid C. Downey $12.50 all I owe him. J. McConner $5.43 & Savilla Hively 4.00. went to town after supper. Took up Assessors list which I filledout for Mayor Cele____ Assessor.

Apr 22 Was up pretty early. Will & I fixed spring seat on wagon. After noon went to look at outlet of tile drain. Water is flowing freely. Went on over to saw mill & home across the fields. Emily Robinson, Sara, Alice McMillan were here in afternoon. Bun wrote a letter to Fannie & I one to Uncle Geo. Rained all day.

Apr 23 Cold with considerable snow in afternoon. Wind from northwest. Hauled a load of 3 in tile 275 ft. went down to Walter Sells & engaged 4 pigs. Am to go for them 2 weeks from today. Mark hauled rails to build fence on lower part of farm & to repair fence between us & B. Hillmans Estate. I helped afternoon. Capenters brought tools to

put up derrick but did not work any. I think a little warmer tonight. Wrote a letter to Ohio Farmers asking some advice about _____.

Apr 24 Cold and part of the day stormy. Ground was frozen hard this morning and there was more or less snow fell during the day. C. Downey & Joe McConner began digging ditch for pipe for water trough. Carpenter did not come to work at derrick. Too cold for him. I sowed a little more clover seed and went to town a while. S. A. Lease & Co. paid me $50.00 balance they owed me for rent to 1st of April. Afternoon helped Mark pull stumps in the corn field. Bred Dolly again. This time to woodlawn.

Apr 25 Cloudy and old in forenoon. But clear at intervals and warmer in afternoon. Mark & I repaired line fence between us & Jonathan Evans. Jont should do half of it but I fear he may neglect it until Dan Haifleys horses get on my wheat so do it myself. Subscribed for American Stock book. Charley Downey & Joe McConner are pegging away at the ditch. Nora got 3 letters from the west. Bun was in the fields with Mark and I all afternoon. Lent 1 horse wagon to W. Mercer.

Apr 26 Still the ground is too wet to plow. Mark & I pulled some more stumps. Cleaned up old fence rows etc etc. went to town a little while in afternoon. Sold some potatoes. 7 bu at 75 cts per bu. Took carpet rags to town and left them at Brians store. They will send them to weaver. Bought chain for carpet. Went to town in evening and brought Nora home. Rained on us. Received invitation cards to the wedding of Mary Sheets & Ned Houslow at Washington Iowa May 3rd next.

Apr 27 Pleasant. Cloudy and cooler in evening. Mark hauled a load of sand from Fawcetts bank. Want it to build cistern for resorvoir for wind pump. Lew Griffith worked at the derrick and got it nearly ready to raise. He understands building a derrick. Joe McConner and Downey worked in the ditch and holes for posts for derrick. Bun & I hauled a load of tile in afternoon. Mother & Geo were at Ninas all day. Aunt Margaret & Nora were in town afternoon.

Apr 28 Went out to Eli Fawcetts and got another board post to fasten derrick to as one of those I had was too small. Got the derrick raised and fastened securely & in ship shape before night. Paid Lew Griffith $8.00 for building it. Paid _____. Went to town after supper. Nora went along.

Apr 29 Cold wind from the north all day. Sowed some cabbage seed in the woods. Took a walk with Bun & Lena. Mabel & Louie Goshen. Found but few flowers. Bessie Rush called in afternoon & Nora went to McMillans with her. Aunt Margaret went to see Rachel & Maggie Gee. Answered card of invitation to Mary Sheets wedding. Wrote a letter to May Teeters. Think there will be frost tonight.

Apr 30 More pleasant than yesterday. Put pipe together and laid part of it in ditch. Also got the tile in and partially covered. Mark plowed for oats. Got a letter from my

Uncle John G. Enlow to which I must reply soon.

May 1 Clear & warm till towards evening. Put together a lo of pipe for water trough. In afternoon went with Nora Savilla & Bun to Sells Bros Circus. Twas a good show of its kind. Mark planted till noon and afternoon stayed about the house as there are generally a good many tramps on show day. The show is in Trimbles field. Went to Samuel Chisholms in evening and got some strawberry plants. M____ers prolific. Looks some like rain at 7 P.M. wrote a letter to Uncle John.

May 2 Clear & pleasant. Quite warm in afternoon. Brought & set out about 200 strawberry plants. Ran a pipe into entry in barn. Hauled a load of brick and got 2 of the horses shod. Mark got oats ground plowed & harrowed one way. Thought best to harrow before sowing as ground is pretty wet and therefore rough. Aunt M got a letter from Uncle Fred Sheets.

May 3 Had a little shower of rain in forenoon. Pretty warm all day. Hauled some brick. Put new steel mold board on plow and set up my new harness. Mark & Joe McConner finished the oats and Mark plowed some sod in afternoon.

May 4 Clear and warm. Rolled oats & wheat stubble. Bun was with me all day. Mark plowed sod. Downey and Joe finished filling in the "last ditch" for which I am heartily glad. Planted some more peas in garden after supper and burned brush pile.

May 5 Pretty cool all day. Hauled a few brick and a load of coal in forenoon. In afternoon took some fresh sods and woods earth and went to cemetery. Worked there all afternoon fixing the graves of my loved and lost ones. O Dear Little wife are you really gone from me? And shall I see you no more? No more on Earth I know, but in the bright world beyond the grave I trust we shall meet again. Oh God for a touch of her soft hand. A sound of her cheerful voice. When, sooner or later my soul, freed from earth and mortality shall be set afloat on that broad current that flows forever to the unknown sea. Meet me there oh my Darling and call me once more Your Boy!

May 6 Pleasant. Turned the cattle out on grass. Fixed up the fences a little. Afternoon took Mother Margaret and the children for a ride. Stopped at Cemetery a while. Joe Martin was here to see about front fence. Sister Nina was here in afternoon. Brought Mother a very nice new bonnet as a present.

May 7 Worked at building chimneys in Alf Shunks house on East Broadway. Allan Mercer hauled brick for me. Will was out in evening. He boards now with Rachel and Maggie Gee. Bun came up to building in afternoon and walked home with me. Pleasant day.

May 8 Clear & pleasant most of the day. Had a little rain in forenoon. Finished chimneys on Broadway and Wm Entrikin paid me for them $36.00. Bun brought my dinner to the building and came up again in afternoon and we came home together. Joe

McConner made fence and Mark plowed sod. Bun & I burnt stump pile in corn field after supper. Allan Mercer hauled brick for me.

May 9 Worked at home all day. John Tascher came out to set up wind pump. Found that one of the castings was wrong and had to send to Springfield for another . quite a disappointment. Planted truck in garden & etc. Aunt M and Nora & Geo _____.

May 10 Repaired some fence in forenoon & turned bull in orchard. Afternoon took some plank to planning mill to have a watering trough made. Went to town a while after supper. Got measured for suit of clothes at R. P. Justices.

May 11 Walled the cistern for resorvoir for wind pump. Smith Townsend of Mercer Co was here to dinner. Took a walk over a portion of the farm with him.

May 12 Clear & cool. Finished cistern and afternoon hauled a load of brick and some rails for fence that Joe is resetting. Paid Monroe and Warren Mercer $125.00 on kiln of brick. Took about all the money I had. Went to town after supper. Sold eggs etc.

May 13 Quite a heavy frost last night. Made ice in some places tho I saw some here. Was not up very early for Bun had toothache and I lost some sleep. Fixed a pen for rabbit that I got of Mrs. Mercer.

May 14 Cloudy and cold in morning and rained some. Got warmer in afternoon. Hauled Brick all day. Bun was with me in afternoon. Stopped at Uncle Tims and got a few pumpkin seeds. Mark finished plowing sod and harrowed a little.

May 15 Cloudy and cold. Rained pretty hard last night and hailed some. Hauled brick today with my overcoat on. Got Dolly shod behind and in afternoon brought home a load of manure from Gee's warehouse. Mark fixed fence a little and hauled manure from Jim Ruds. Nora was in town this afternoon. Some warmer in evening.

May 16 Clear & pleasant though cool. Hauled brick. Took sow to John Pows and left her there. Brought home watering trough from planning mill. Mark harrowed corn ground.

May 17 Clear & warmer. Harrowed and marked out corn ground. Planted some potatoes on East side of corn field. Geo & Bun rode in Marker with me and thought it great fun. Nora was in town afternoon. Mother is not so well. Has rheumatism or something as bad in her left arm she got a letter from Sister Fannie.

May 18 Cloudy with some appearance of rain, but very little came. Got one field of corn planted thanks to Nora and Joe McConners wife who dropped corn in afternoon. John Tesher and Frank Trotter put up my wind mill which seems to work O.K. I went to Victor Stove Works in afternoon & staked off new building. Gertie Wait is here to stay

all night. Poor little Bun has toothache.

May 19 Planted some squash seed. Hauled some brush to woods and repaired fence a little. Took some hen manure to Bone mill to have it ground but neither of the mills were running. Went to Victor Stove Works. They are stuck on the foundation. They telegraphed to Alliance for the architect and he told them as I did to go deeper. Mark harrowed corn ground and Charley Downey brought sow home from John Pow's.

May 20 Frank Trotter came out this morning and fixed the float valve in watering trough and got balance of pipe in good shape. Began to rain before noon and rained slowly till nearly 6 P.M. put on my rubber coat and boots and went to see my cattle in lower pasture. Found them OK. Nora took Gertie Wait home. John Sheppard is here. Also Julia and Lena Strong. Wrote a letter to Uncle Fred Sheets.

May 21 Cloudy and wet. Has rained most of the day up to 1 P.M. went to town a while this forenoon. Borrowed at 1st National Bank $200.00 and gave my note payable in 60 days. I dislike very much to borrow this money but deem it best to do so. Having the rates faction of knowing all the time that I am worth it and can repay it. Paid some small debts to J. McMillan $17.76, F. Gee and Co 13.93 Carr & Tescher $5.50. got a strainer and put in pipe in cistern. Went to see Rachel & Maggie Gee and brought home the horse and carriage. Shep is still here the weather being too inclement for him to venture to go home. Mark piled manure in barn yard. Hauled a load of straw to Furman Gee and got horse shod.

May 22 Cloudy & wet. Drizzled and rained nearly all day and is quite cold withal. Paid a visit to the Victor Stove works, but did not find much going on. Too wet to dig foundation. Tinkered about home most of the day. Put in 10 panes of glass & did some other repairing. Mark cleaned out stables and piled manure. Shall have to do something with one of our cows. Her two front teats are __ar__ity and can get but little milk from them. This evening I turned her in with two young calves & will let them milk her for a while at least. Got a couple of Louisville Courier Journals from E. C. Hise. Nora & Savilla scrubbed carpet. Shep went home this afternoon.

May 23 Cloudy & cool. Rained some, but clouds broke away towards evening. Was in town a while. Paid Dr Firestone amt of his bill $8.00. got Nora to settle with Dr Grissell whose bill was $27.00. went to town after supper to see stone mason am getting.

May 24 Hauled some brick in afternoon.

May 25 Went to Victor Stove Works and made mortar and ran off some line with C. Downey to do the work. Made some irons to brace fence. Went to town after supper. Saw Sam Buell who works for me _____.

May 26 Commenced stone work at Victor. Rained a half past 2 & had to quit. Rained

very hard about 4 P.M. went up town. Brought home wagon wheel from shop. Cost me $2.75. went to town again after supper. Sold butter and eggs & bought some groceries. Mark hauled some manure from town and worked on early potatoes before the rain. Ground very wet again.

May 27 Painted watering trough & wagon wheel. Aunt Margaret went to Baptist church with Rachel and Maggie Gee. Rachel is to be baptized tonight. (every man to his notion etc). Nina & Mabel came out this afternoon. Began to rain soon after they came and at 4:15 P.M. is still raining. Wrote a letter to Sister Fannie. Took Nina and Mabel home in the buggy and went to Victor Stove Works to see whether rain did any damage to stone wall. Found everything ok.

May 28 Stone masons got in 1-1/2 hours at Victor when it began to rain and at 7:30 is still raining. Aunt Margaret an Nora were in town this afternoon. Mark hauled a load of coal & put on a load of clay for Purdy & Baird. Got a letter from Uncle Fred Sheets.

May 29 I think it must have rained steadily all of last night and when I went after the cows at a little after 5 it was still raining. Cleared off soon after breakfast and the stone masons worked ¾ day. I was at the building all day and Bun was with me in the afternoon. Mark got in 4 loads of clay to Purdy & Baird. Nora was in town in afternoon.

May 30 Cloudy & very wet. Went to town in morning & got Lon Patterson started on some chimneys in C. Taylors new house on Columbia St. came home and helped Mark & Joe put up some fence. Began to rain before noon. Took dinner at Uncle Tims. In afternoon went with Nora to musical festival in Presbyterian Church. Music very fine. One song by Mrs. Geo Noble of Pittsburgh is ringing in my ears yet "Some day" is the title of it & what thoughts it brings to my mind. Thoughts of my own Dear noble little wife. Oh My Darling I do "love thee now". Took supper at Uncle Tims and afterwards went to P. Amblers office on business. Raining steadily when we came home at 7:30 P.M. very bad weather for our business.

May 31 Clear & cloudy at intervals but no rain. Got in a full day at Victor but one stone mason did not come till 10 oclock. Bun went with me in afternoon. Mark hauled clay to Purdy & Baird.

Jun 1 Clear & fine. Full day at Victor. Got along fine.

Jun 2 Clear & fine. Full day at Victor. Got along fine. Went to town after supper. Was disappointed in not getting new suit of clothes from R. P. Justice.

Jun 3 Was up early and brought the cows. Turned them on fresh pasture in afternoon. Also turned young cattle on clover and timothy down by the mill. Went to P. Amblers office in morning and afterwards to _____ with Aunt Margaret.

Jun 4 Fine day. Warm in afternoon. Got in full day at Victor and finished stove work.

Lou Patterson finished C Taylors chimneys andgot up a corner at Victor. Looked some like rain but it failed to come for which I am glad. Got Dolly shod in front. Joe McConner hoed in the garden and I stuck a row of peas after supper. Mark plowed tomato ground. Bun was with me at buildings in afternoon. Nora was in town.

Jun 5 Clear & warm. Got in a full day at Victor and got brickwork started. They paid me $169.50 for building foundation. Mark & Joe McConner worked on the farm. Got corn ground and tomato ground ready. Looks some like rain but hope it wont. Pretty hot a while today.

Jun 6 All day at building. Was pretty warm. Laid some brick as one of my bricklayers (Bricker) did not come. Got our other field of corn planted. Had some help from Victor Shafer. Joe McConner was up to Robert Umsteads, and brought home 5 00 of tomato plants. Mark worked at tomato ground and got it nearly ready to plant. Somewhat cloudy in evening.

Jun 7 Cloudy and wet in forenoon but cleared off and we got in full time afternoon. Had 6 Bricklayers at building today. Joe & Mark brought home all the tomato plants from Umsteads and with Dave Walker & John Weaver to help got planted nearly 2000. Commencement exercises in Concert Hall tonight. Nora & Frank go. I do not. My Darling Wife how I miss you tonight.

Jun 8 Full day at building. Finishedsetting tomatoes and planted some sweet corn. Mark hauled sand in afternoon. Alumni Banquet in High school room. Nora attends it.

Jun 9 Clear & warm. All day at building. Getting along very well. Paid hands. Went to town after supper. Got new suit of clothes which Robert Justice has made for me. Sold some butter. Bought groceries etc etc.

Jun 10 Went to Concert Hall & heard Mrs. H. S. Lake deliver lecture on True & false in Spiritualism. She seems to be a firm believer in Spiritualism. I wish I was, but must have more evidence than I now possess.

Jun 11 Cloudy and cool. All day at Building. Bun went with me in afternoon. Mark replanted corn and potatoes and Joe McConner got some more tomato plants and replanted where missing. Do not feel very well this evening. Nora & Frank go to Cattells..

Jun 12 Full day at building. Heavy rain after 6 P.M. went to D. Yenglings in afternoon to get him to help in brick work. Seemed to be spunky because I had not asked him before. Can come or not as he likes. R. Bricker took sick before putting time. Not seriously I hope. Mark & Joe worked corn. Grasner Bros paid me a months rent $33-1/3.

Jun 13 Cloudy with some rain in forenoon. I was at the building all day. Made a run to

wheel brick on 2nd story. 4 Bricklayers worked in afternoon. Finished 1st story and got a little start on 2nd. Quite cool in evening and at 7:30 is raining. Mark hauled some lumber to building and some manure from town.

Jun 14 Clear & pleasant. Cool in morning & I guess there was frost in some places. But I saw none. Got along very well at building. In evening went down to Franklin bridge and engaged another tender. Paid Robert Umstead $26.76 for tomato plants. Mark hauled some brick. Some manure & some sand. Aunti Smith was here today.

Jun 15 Clear & pleasant. All day at building. Got along well. Mark hauled sand. Nora & Aunt Margaret went riding in afternoon. Joe McConner mowed front yard & cut docks.

Jun 16 Cloudy & clear at intervals. Lost ½ hour by rains in morning. Afternoon was very warm. Paid hands at building and knocked off at 5:30. Victor Stove Co paid me $500.00 on contract. Went to town after supper Paid W. W. Slagle $30.00 for sand.

Jun 17 Quite warm. Has looked some like rain all day but none came. Am glad of it. Ground is wet. Went to hear Mrs. Lake again. Her subject was "what shall we do to be saved". She handled it well. Brought Rachel Gee out in afternoon & took her home in evening. Sister Nina was also here. Ernest & Alice McMillans are here now. Ernest has had a catark on one of his hands which has been very painful. Went to the woods with Bun & Mabel. Salted cattle etc etc. wrote a letter to Sister Fannie before breakfast.

Jun 18 Cloudy. Several heavy showers during the day. Worked at building between then. Mark & Joe plowed corn a while & nearly finished one field one way. Sent pedigree of Bull calf to Chicago for Register.

Jun 19 Cloudy & wet. Got in nearly a full day at building but we worked a good deal in the rain. Got 2nd story nearly done. After supper I went out to see Reese Bricker who has been very sick but is now much better. Mark fixed fence and turned the cattle in another pasture. He afterwards hauled manure from town. Cooler in evening. Hope rain is over for a while. Ground is extremely wet.

Jun 20 Cloudy and wet. Didn't rain much and didn't dry much. All day at building. Finished Brick work of 2nd story and put up hoisting tackle & will try to hoist brick and mortar for 3rd story with a horse. Lou Patterson helped me today. Had to wait till nearly 4 oclock on carpenters. Deposited $300.00 in 1st National Bank. After supper went with Aunt Margaret to see Geo & Kate Ruggy. Geo is in poor health & I presume poor circumstances. Offered to assist him in any way I could. Don't know what in all Mark did today. Set out a few cabbage plants for one thing. Joe McConner went to Pattersons to work.

Jun 21 Clear & pleasant. All day at building. Hoisted stuff with horse. Dolly went too fast. Took old Charley. Nora and Frank go to a moonlight picnic tonight.

Jun 22 Clear & fine. Full day at building. Got along very well. Took 2 horses & Mark to drive the hoisting stuff.

Jun 23 Clear & fine. All day at building. Knocked off at 5 oclock & called it a day. Paid hands and also paid Pidgeon Bros $500.00 on brick account. Got Paul Bricker to set a grate for me on East B.way. went to town after supper. Called at Ninas a while. Met Miss Josie Garrigues a cousin of Normans whose home is in St. Louis. Very fine weather.

Jun 24 Very pleasant. Was up pretty early and brought the cows. About noon went to Sister Nina's and brought Miss Josephine and Mabel Garrigues home with me. Norman and Nina soon followed on foot and all took dinner with us. In latter part of afternoon Josephine & I went for a ride. Went through Franklin square and came back by way of Sheltons picnic grounds and over the hills on the old Lisbon road. Had a very pleasant ride. Afterwards took Bun for a little ride. Let Geo Ruggy have a horse & carriage to go to Winona to see a Dr who gave him a good deal of encouragement. Hope he may do George good. Had no time for reading today.

Jun 25 Cloudy and wet in morning. Did not get to work at building till 9 oclock. Worked till 3 when it began to rain again. Knocked off & came home. Brought a shovel plow of Carr & Tescher for 4.50. Mark hauled some plank to planning mill to be used at Victor Stove Works. Hauled some brick for a chimney on Garfield Avenue & plowed a few rows of corn. I got to bed early.

Jun 26 Full day at building. Got along very well. In afternoon went for a few minutes to see game of base ball between Salem & East Palestine. Salem beat.

Jun 27 Cloudy and wet. Worked till noon at the building. When it began to rain. Right wet remainder of afternoon. Went up town a while before coming home. Mark & Joe worked corn a while but the rain came. Weeds are getting ahead of the corn.

Jun 28 Cloudy & dull. Some rain in latter part of afternoon. Got my building up ready for the timbers. Knocked off at 4 P.M. went to town after supper. Called at Nina's & talked a while with she & Miss Garrigues. Nora went to a party at J. B. Strawns. Maggie Gee is with us all night. She came out this morning.

Jun 29 Some rain in morning. Worked in the garden till noon. Joe & I got some of the weeds down. After noon went to town. Ground scythe. Took back gas tongs to Buckeye. Hauled 300 brick. Drew 100 dollars from 1st National Bank. Lou Patterson came out. I paid him $20.00 all I owed him. Gave Mother Margaret a little money. She is in town and will take supper with Rachel & Maggie Gee. Mark plowed corn & tomatoes.

Jun 30 Clear & pleasant. Worked in the garden till noon and got things there to looking pretty well. Afternoon went to work at pump and after making four trips to town got it nearly repaired. I forgot to mention that in the morning I took Dolly and the buggy to town for Rachel Gee who went to Canfield & came home in evening. Nora & I walked to town after supper. I went to Ninas a while & Nora went to Aunt Libs. Mark & Joe worked corn & tomatoes.

Jul 1 A lovely day. Went to country with Aunt Margaret in the morning. Called at Aunt Lib Waits and brought her home with us. Gertie was also here. In afternoon Miss Josie Garrigues & I went for a ride. Had a very pleasant one. Went through Washingtonville & Columbiana & home through Leetonia & by way of Burrson's Mill. Got back to Ninas at 8 P.M. having been gone just 5 hours. The weather is now perfect.

Jul 2 Clear & warm. 10 years ago today My Darling wife & I were married. Oh Heaven bless her memory. Oh Dearest & best & noblest of your kind I love you now. Little Bun went with me to haul brick. In evening went out to Pattersons. Miss G went with me. Mark & Joe worked corn & potatoes. Weather very good. Mercury at 90 at noon.

Jul 3 Clear & warm. Picked some strawberries. Hauled some brick & went to building & rebuilt scaffold & put up derrick ready for work after the 4th. Bun was with me all day & his little face is red as a beat. Mark & Joe worked corn.

Jul 4 Clear & warm most of the day. Took my little boys to town in the morning. Saw a balloon go up which Geo could not look at because as he said the "moon got in his eye". Bought a new hat for Bun. Went with Nora out to Webbs Grove where the Iron Molders were having a picnic. Stayed but a few minutes. Came home and did the milking. After supper took Aunt Margaret for a ride. Afterwards took Miss Garrigues for a ride. It rained and we had quite an adventure, the details of which I shall not record here. It is not likely that either of us will ever forget it.

Jul 5 Clear & warm. Was at the building all day but did not get it done. Nora spent the day with Rachel & Maggie Gee. Neither of whom are very well. Mark worked corn. Joe did not come.

Jul 6 Warm with 2 or 3 light showers. Finished the Victor Warehouse & received last payment on contract $134.00. paid Jos Koll 136.00 & J. M. Stratton 40.00 all I owed them. Paid all my hands. Brought home a load of lumber from building. Mark hauled some brick & sawdust.

Jul 7 Hauled brick & another load of lumber from building. Bun was with me all day and his little face is red as a beet. Had a heavy rain towards evening. Edmund Sackett Hise of West Liberty Iowa arrived today and will make us a visit. George Gee came home with him. I went to town after supper. Called at Ninas a while. She had a letter

today from Miss Garrigues who is visiting relatives near Alliance. Walked to town and back. Roads very muddy and still raining.

Jul 8 I think it rained most of the night. Did not get up till 6 oclock. Brought the cows through the rain. Went up to Peter Amblers office after breakfast. Had a little business meeting with him. Also called at Nina's and at Uncle Tims. In afternoon walked over the farm. Salted the cattle etc etc. good deal of rain fell during the day. Played a game of cards in evening with Nora & Eddie.

Jul 9 Clear cool & pleasant. Got horses shod and hauled some brick & sand. Bun was with me all day. Worked some in garden in evening. E. A. Lease & Co paid me ¼ rent $87.50. Weather a little cool.

Jul 10 Clear & pleasant. Hauled some brick etc. Lou Paterson built a cistern for me at John Waters. Had brick yard property appraised by Wm Eastman Wm. Morris & James M. Reed. In evening went into an agreement with Wm H & Edgar Pidgeon to sell said property to them for $10000.00. they to pay $350.00 down & the balance in 8 months at 6 per cent interest. Nora & Eddie went to town. My new man Aaron (something very _____) came tonight.

Jul 11 Clear & pleasant. Mowed some grass & got in cocked up before night. Had a little bit of rain in evening. Went to town after supper but did not accomplish any thing as the appraisers who are to sign the paper did not come around. Called at Nina's a short time. It is 18 years ago tonight I first came to Salem. Have never been sorry I came, though have had my ups & downs.

Jul 12 Clear & pleasant. Hauled some brick in forenoon & in afternoon got in 5 loads of hay. All we had cut. Went to town in evening to Peter Amblers office. Eddie Hise received a telegram from Aunt Rachel stating that Uncle Wm was worse and he must start home on 1st train. He therefore left at 3:50 P.M. we were very sorry. Both to hear of Uncle's sickness & that Ed should have to leave so soon.

Jul 13 Partially clear & cloudy. Mowed till half past two. Looked some like rain and I stopped but it cleared off about noon and hay made pretty nicely. We got it all cocked up before 6 oclock. Went to mill in afternoon. After supper went to see Sharpnack where I engaged to cut my wheat with a self binding harvester. Took Miss Garrigues with me. Had a pleasant ride. Mother & Aunt Margaret visited or rather called at Thomas Wilsons. Mother took dinner with Nina and came home in latter part of afternoon.

Jul 14 Cloudy and wet in the morning. Looked gloomy for making hay. Hauled brick with both teams in the forenoon. Cleared off about noon & Mark Aaron & Warren Mercer got in the balance of hay that was cut. Afternoon was very warm. I hauled brick. Had a slight hemmorrage about 5:30 do not feel very well. The boys (at 6 P.M.) have just got in with the last load of hay. Consider that we are fortunate. More to cut.

Jul 15 Cloudy and wet in forenoon. Clear & fine in afternoon. Was at home till after 2 P.M. then took horse and buggy. Called at Franklin Bentleys for Miss Garrigues and we had a very pleasant ride. Found some postal cards from the west awaiting me when I got home. The one written the latest (from Goly) reports Uncle Wm some better. Rachel & Maggie Gee were here this afternoon.

Jul 16 Rained some last night. Ground pretty wet this morning. Went to town after breakfast. Paid taxes $91.41 to N. B. Garrigues. Saw Sharpnack who promised to cut my wheat with his self binder said he couldn't cut it before next Saturday. Didn't suit me. Afternoon found another man who promised to cut it tomorrow. Went to brickyard & engage Monroe & Warren Mercer to help bind. Hauled 100 brick to Sam Buell. Mabel Howell & little Geo all went with me in afternoon. Went to town in evening to see P. Ambler who will have to go to Lisbon before a little matter of business can be settled.

Jul 17 Somewhat cloudy and cooler. No rain. Got our wheat cut and most of it in shock some of us working till after 9 P.M. light crop of wheat but plenty of timothy. Took Aunt Margaret to town after supper. Called at Ninas awhile. Thomas Wilson died at 5 A.M. card from west says Uncle Wm is no better.

Jul 18 Cool & cloudy. Mowed and raked some grass for Wm Morris. Also raked the hay we had down & got it in the barn. 3 loads. Making 12 loads for 5 acres. Went to town in evening. Nora went along. I called at Ninas a while. Quite cool for time of year.

Jul 19 Mowed till nearly 10 oclock. Afternoon attended Thomas Wilsons funeral with Aunt Margaret. Got a telegram from Uncle Geo Hise announcing the death of Uncle Wm at 11:30 last night. There is a rumor in town that Gen. Grant died suddenly today. Mark & Aaron plowed corn & hauled some hay for Wm Morris. In evening I went to Damascus and engaged 25 tomato crates of Bailey. Lovely night. Frosty.

Jul 20 Clear and fine. Hauled a load of brick in the morning and brought home with me a very nice wagon for Bun. This being his 6th birthday. He is very much pleased with it & I enjoy it with him. Joe & Mark plowed corn till 10 & then we got in 5 loads of very good hay. Went to P. Amblers office in evening & finally settled the sale of some brickyard land to Pidgeon brothers. They paid me $350.00 down & I have their note for $650.00 payable on the 10th of March 1884. interest at 6 per cent. Also paid court attorneys fees amounting to about $30.00.

Jul 21 Hauled a couple of loads of brick in the morning and came home in the rain. Bun was with me & did not much relish his wetting. Went to town in afternoon. Collected some money. Voted for the appropriations for additional schoolroom. Took supper with Rachel and Maggie Gee, neither of them is well. Mark hauled a load of coal after dinner. Mabel is here to stay a few days while her Mother is visiting in Canton & Massillon.

Jul 22 Clear & warm. Was at home nearly all day, making one trip to town to bring Geo Ruggy wife & son out to stay the day with us. Geo is still suffering from Brights disease & think some of going to Cleveland to be treated. Towards evening Mabel Bun & Little Geo & I went to the woods to salt the cattle. The children had a gay time. Norman was here a while in evening. Pretty warm.

Jul 23 Mowed till 10:30 & finished another field of grass. Afternoon was cloudy and towards evening it began to rain. Rained very hard. Got our hay all cocked but of course it is wet. Got one load in the barn. Mark & Joe worked corn and tomatoes till 3 P.M.

Jul 24 Cloudy and wet. Unloaded the hay we brought in last evening and hauled brick till noon with both teams. In afternoon hitched up Nancy Lee alongside of Charley and drove her some. She goes all right. Bought 63 celery plants and Aaron set them out in garden. Fixed some fence and changed cattle on pasture. Mark hauled a load of manure in afternoon.

Jul 25 Clear & fine. Went to town in the morning. Bought each of my boys a pair of shoes & a pair of boots for myself. Mowed some after coming home & afternoon we got in 3 loads of hay that was cut on Monday.

Jul 26 Clear & fine. Mowed half of large meadow. Got in four loads of hay and four of wheat. Got balance of hay about all cocked up. Am tired.

Jul 27 Clear & fine. Got in all of our wheat & made a foundation on which to build a hay stack. Went to town after supper. Aunt Margaret went with me.

Jul 28 Partially clear & cloudy. Had a very heavy shower last night which made our hay so wet we could do nothing with it today. Had another heavy rain this afternoon. After breakfast I went to Mrs. Eliza Kinnamans on business. Bun went with me. Cut some weeds & briers. Trimmed the arbor vitue hedges etc etc. Sara & Alice McMillan their Aunt Elizabeth Nichols of Kansas, Wm Norris of Illinois & Mrs. Emily Robinson (the latter stays all night) took supper with us. Mark hauled manure from town.

Jul 29 Clear & fine tho somewhat cool. Went to the woods & salted the cattle. Bun went with me. Afternoon had a very pleasant ride with Miss Garrigues. Got back to Ninas a little after seven P.M. cool in evening.

Jul 30 Clear & fine. Finished mowing our grass. Put up a large stack with what we cut some days ago & got what I cut today all cocked up. Frank helped us. His shop was not running. Bun & Geo were in the hay field most of the day.

Jul 31 Clear & fine. Put up another hay stack and finished our haying. Have 25 loads in the barn besides ten large stacks containing I guess about 10 or 12 tons. Most of it in prime condition. Wrote a letter and went to town after supper. Aunt Margaret visited with Mrs. Elizabeth Goucher all day. After we were done haying Aaron got some ground

ready for turnips and Mark & Bun hauled a load of saw dust for Trimbles.

Aug 1 Clear & fine. Hauled brick all day. Mark plowed corn. Little Howell is not very well. I went to town after supper & brought Dr Rush out to see him. Thinks he has taken a bad cold. Left some medicine. Some of Nora's lady friends were here this afternoon and evening. Bessie Rush, Clara Street, Marie Cattell & Mrs. Cattell of Chicago.

Aug 2 Rained some last night or early this morning. Aaron & I hauled brick & Mark worked corn. Bun is still unwell but we think he is better tonight. He has had some fever most of the day & complaining a good deal of a pain in the head. His nose bled pretty freely about 7 oclock & at 9 he is sleeping right well. Sister Nina & Mabel are here to stay all night, Norman being in Cleveland & cousin Josie having gone to Green Hill to stay a few days. Rained hard about 6 P.M.

Aug 3 Clear & cool. Worked at some chimneys for Lewis Keen on Green Street. Jerry Lacy is helping me. Mark hauled sand and brick & Aaron hauled some brick & carried some for chimneys. Nina went home. Norman got back from Cleveland. Aunt Ura Sharpnack was here this afternoon. Also Rachel & Maggie Gee. Bun is better & I am glad of it.

Aug 4 Finished some chimneys for LewisKeen on Green street. Brought home tools etc. went to town after supper to Ninas a while. Mark went up to Pat's to stay a few days. Miss Sally Davis & Miss Mary Davis, relatives of ours from Philadelphia, Mrs. Ham Howell & her sister Sally Perrine took supper with us.

Aug 5 Clar & fine. Was up pretty early. Brought the cows & helped to milk. Started at 9 oclock to Green Hill where I arrived at half past eleven. Had a delightful ramble in the woods with Miss Josie Garrigues & Julia and Clara Bentley. Chatted a while after dinner with Grandmother Bentley who is now in her 87th year & at 4 P.M. came away with Miss G. for company. We had a very pleasant ride which I think we both enjoyed. I am sure I did. Got to Ninas a little before 8.

Aug 6 Clear & fine. Hauled a couple of loads Brick. Fixed fences a little & turned out the pigs. Got a letter from Cousin Mollie Enlow asking if it would be convenient for us to have her visit us. Replied immediately telling her of course it would be convenient. Also had a letter from Miss Lou Teeters in answer to one I wrote her father some time ago. Aaron & Joe Mc worked in the tomatoes.

Aug 7 Clear & fine. Hauled brick all day. Bun went with me. Mark got back from his brothers this evening. Aaron & Joe finished the tomatoes & began pulling rag weeds in the corn. Corn is full of them.

Aug 8 Clear & fine. Hauled brick all day and at night was some tired. Frank took Dolly and the buggy and went to a party a dance at Grays in the country. Mark dug early

potatoes and Aaron & Joe pulled weeds in corn.

Aug 9 Clear & fine. Hauled brick till noon & afternoon went with Nina Miss Josie & Norman to see the base ball match between Washingtonville & Salem. Salem was badly beaten 32 to 4. took supper at Ninas. Got a card from cousin Mollie. She will be here next Tuesday. Mother was at Rachel Gees all day. Mark dug potatoes & Aaron & Joe pulled weeds in corn. A big job.

Aug 10 Clear & fine. Hauled 3 loads of brick and brought home a ton of bone dust from Vaughn Bonsall & Co. went to town after supper. Called at Ninas. Came home with Nora who had been to Aunt Lib Waits birthday (50th) party. Aaron & Joe finished pulling weeds in the corn and Mark nearly finished digging early potatoes. Have a fine lot of them. Some 50 bushels.

Aug 11 Clear & fine. Mark plowed the ground where we dug early potatoes & I sowed turnip seed on it. First applying a barrel of the hen manure that I had ground last spring. Went to town in afternoon. Paid a note of $320.42 and lifted a chattel mortgage on the kiln of brick I bought of Mercers boys. Had the note & mortgage assigned to me. Robert Tolerton owned the note & mortgage. Came home and done the milking and went to town again in the evening. Mark & Aaron bound and put in shock the oats that Joe cut yesterday. Engaged Dan Haifley to cut the balance on Monday.

Aug 12 Clear & warm. Went to the woods to salt the cattle. Took both the boys with me. The cattle were not there & we found the fence down between us & Evans. Mark & Aaron brought them home in afternoon. Went to the cemetery with Aunt Margaret & afterwards took her for a little ride. Afternoon went riding with Josie Garrigues. Had a very pleasant time. Stopped in the woods south of Franklin Square and gathered some fern & flowers. Read aloud from the N. Y. Tribune a letter of Camp life in California. Got back to Ninas about 9 P.M. & home before 10. found the folks in bed.

Aug 13 Cloudy and threatened rain in the morning. Did rain a little when Dan Haifly came to cut the oats. I thought it was going to be wet and let him get away. Was sorry after that I did so as it cleared off & was a fine day. Went to brickyard and loaded some brick and afternoon Bun & I went to Damascus & brought home the stuff for 25 tomato crates. Went to town after supper. Chas Koll came out and I rode in with him. Sold some brick to Victor Stove Co. got tickets for concert of Salem Church Society.

Aug 14 Clear & cooler. Went to station at 9:14 to meet cousin Mollie Enlow. She came. Looks first rate. Glad to see her. Afternoon hauled brick to Victor Stove Co. and in the evening Mollie Nora & I went up to Nina's and stayed till after 9 oclock. Dan Haifly cut our oats today he did not bind them. Will let them lay a day or so to dry. Mark worked corn & hauled sand.

Aug 15 Cloudy without rain. Hauled brick in forenoon. After dinner took spring wagon

& brought Josie Garrigues Nina and Mabel out. They with Rachel & Maggie Gee & Miss Mary Davis & Geo Howell took supper with us. Norman was also here. Walked to town after supper. Got most of our oats bound and shocked.

Aug 16 Hauled brick till noon. Mark hauled one load of sand for Victor Stove Co. afternoon Bun & I started out to Pattersons, but met him on the road. Paid him $32.00 that I owed him for laying brick at Victor. Went to town a while in evening. Called at Nina's.

Aug 17 Clear & very pleasant. A red letter day. We had a picnic on the Mahoning. Norman & Nina. Nora & cousin Mollie, Mabel & Louie Guscher went in a picnic wagon & Josie Garrigues & myself went with Dolly and the buggy. I think we had a glorious time. Had a boat ride after supper & started home about 8 P.M. we got to Ninas just as the clock was striking 11. Miss G & I did not get back until after the others as we stayed to return the boat to Hudsons landing after the others had started home.

Aug 18 Clear & warm. Was in the oats field most of the forenoon where we are getting out stumps etc preparatory to plowing up for wheat. Afternoon took mowing machine _____ (which Mark broke yesterday) to town and got it welded. Bun went with me. Did not do much afterward. Took Savilla to town & Mrs. Kinnaman who has been quilting for Mother to her sisters west of town.

Aug 19 Cloudy with a very little rain in the forenoon. Went to town & called to see Rachel & Maggie Gee in the morning. Was at home most of the balance of the day. Afternoon Aunt M Nina & Mollie went riding. Did not get back till nearly night.

Aug 20 Got both Dollys shod and hauled a load of brick in the forenoon. Had a very fine shower between 1 and 2 oclock. Went for another ride with Josie Garrigues. The last one we shall have together for some time. Had a delightful time & I think she enjoyed it as much as I did. I am sure she did for she told me so. Folks are abed when I got home.

Aug 21 Clear & fine. Put together some tomato crates & helped Aaron who is clearing out a couple of swampy places in the field. Mollie Aunt Margaret & Nora went out to Gordon farm for tea. Afterward they & I went to concert given by Salem Choral Union in Presbyterian church. After bringing them home I went back to town & to Normans a few minutes. Said goodbye to my friend Josie Garrigues. She leaves Salem tomorrow and Nina goes as far as Cleveland with her. She will go from Cleveland to Chicago & will reach St. Louis her home some day next week.

Aug 22 Clear & fine till towards evening when it became cloudy and rained a very little. Finished mowing the rag weeds in pasture field & after dinner took a load of Brick to Victor Stove Co. in evening Mollie and the children & I went for a little ride. Took some clothes to the washerwoman (Mrs. Green) for Rachel and Maggie Gee. Mark and Aaron got in 3 loads of oats.

Aug 23 Hauled some brick to Victor Stove Co. Made an estimate of cost of brick and stone work for an addition to Eugene Leases house. Went to town after supper. Bun & I with some tomatoes that Aaron picked. Mark hauled 2 loads of sand & 2 more loads of oats. I called at Ninas in evening. She had just returned from Cleveland. Had a pleasant time. Mollie & Nora were also in town.

Aug 24 Clear & fine. Hauled brick all day. Bun was with me in afternoon. Mark Aaron & Joe got in balance of oats. I go to town after supper to come home with Mollie & Nora whoa re taking tea with Nina. Got home about 9 oclock.

Aug 25 After breakfast Mollie Bun & I went to Greenvillage with Savilla who was going to a picnic. We left her there and came home by way of Aunt Uras stopping there a few minutes. Had a very pleasant ride and got home about 10 A.M. Spent the afternoon in town but did not accomplish much of account. Went again after supper and came home with Mollie and Nora. Stopped on Main St. at 9 P.M. and listened to the band play.

Aug 26 Spent a portion of the forenoon in the woods with Bun for company. At three oclock he & Geo & I started to Green for Savilla. We met Nina and Mabel coming out here and took Mabel with us to Green. Came home by way of Bosants Mill stopping under the bridge a while and gathered some shells etc. The young folks enjoyed it very much but it was not so pleasant a ride as some I have taken this summer. On getting home found that Wm Bentley and family & some others had been her. Sorry to have missed them. Cool in evening. Made a fire in sitting room. Mollie and Nora attended Methodist church today. I wrote a letter to Sister Fannie.

Aug 27 Worked at tomato crates in forenoon and after dinner brought home a load of coal. Helped pick 17 bushels tomatoes. Have not felt well today. Have a cold.

Aug 28 Cloudy cold & wet. Had several very fine showers. Mollie and Nora went to a picnic at Sheltons with Harry Hise. Aunt Margaret went up to stay all night with Rachel and Maggie Gee. The latter is very sick. Took tomatoes to McNabb and hauled a load of brick. Too wet in afternoon to do much. Mrs. Peeples and Gertie Wait were here today.

Aug 29 Cloudy and wet. Hauled 3 loads of brick and brought home another ton of bone dust from Vaughn Bonsall & Co. went to town after supper and brought Mollie home from Ninas. Called at the girls house. Maggie is quite sick.

Aug 30 Hauled a load of brick and brought home empty crates. Walked in afternoon at C. Taylors house setting some grates. Got one done in evening went to Amos Barnes south of town to get some help for the girls. One of Barnes girls promised to come tomorrow morning. Maggie is still quite sick.

Aug 31 Finished grates at C. Taylors house. Picked 20 bu tomatoes and took them to McNabbs. Joe Morlan was out and measured house for a new roof. Telegraphed to West Liberty for Uncle Tim to come home.

Sept 1 Clear and warm. Worked at home some. Went to Mrs. Bentleys to see a cistern needing repairs. Went to R. Brickers to see him about building some chimneys. Hitched Nancy with Dolly afternoon & with Aaron hauled 2 loads manure from town. Went to town in evening. Came home with Mollie. Nora stayed all night with Rachel Gee. Maggie still very sick.

Sept 2 Went to the woods to salt the cattle after breakfast. In afternoon Bun & I walked to town. Stopped at Uncle Tims while. He (Uncle T) arrived from Wet Liberty at 3 A.M. Maggie is still very sick. We went to Ninas a while. Rained a little while we were there. Mollie and Nora took dinner with Aunt Mary. A feeling of unutterable loneliness has been with me today & after supper I wandered out the lane and to the fields where only one short year ago her dear hand in mine we walked together and planned for the future. Departed days.

Sept 3 Hauled out manure on wheat fields most of the day. Worked Nancy. 3 ear old colt. One of our horses (Bill) is sick. Think he has colic. Gave him a dose of medicine and tonight Frank has gone after more which I shall give him. Mollie went up to Ninas to stay several days. Bun is not well. Had a chill this morning and fever most of the day. Mark plowed. Uncle Tim was here awhile.

Sept 4 Hauled manure with both teams. Picked and took to Mc 22 bu tomatoes. Very fine weather. Nora got letter from Josie.

Sept 5 Hauled out manure till 4 P.M. then went to town & hauled a load of brick. Paid Eliza Kinnaman $188.75 and gave note for $100.00 for 1 year at 5 per cent. Mark hauled sand to building on Broadway for chimneys.

Sept 6 Clear & fine today. Considerable frost last night. Worked at chimneys on Broadway. Mark hauled stone for Norman & a load of saw dust for Ben Trimble.

Sept 7 Worked at chimneys till noon and afternoon hauled a load of brick. Mark hauled stone.

Sept 8 Cloudy & dull. Some rain in morning. Went to town & after coming back did a little job for Oliver Cope who is building a new house near us. Aaron & I picked 26 bu tomatoes and marketed them. Brought home a barrel of carbon oil bought of E. A. Lease & Co. 10-1/2 cents per gallon. Went to town after supper & to Ninas. She & Mabel were here to dinner. Frank Mollie and Nora went to Goshen fair in afternoon tho wet & cool weather spoiled it & there were but few there. Mark plowed wheat ground . Grosner Bros paid monthly rent.

Sept 9 Had quite a heavy frost last night which nipped very badly about ½ my tomatoes. Also injured the corn to some extent. Today has been clear with a cool wind from the north. Went to cemetery after breakfast and plucked some flowers from the grave of my

beloved. My darling wife O noble minded and true hearted wife. Heaven bless thy dear memory. After dinner Bun & I took a walk to the woods. Salted the cattle and gathered some flowers & leaves. Mabel came out in afternoon and I walked home with her. Did not stay long. Mollie and Nora went to McMillans a while and afterwards took a ride.

Sept 10 Another heavy frost last night which has injured the corn in many places. Our own included. Laid brick till noon and hauled in afternoon. Sam Bull & Co will finish the chimneys for me. I am too busy with other work. Jont Evans came and got his pigs & said they should bother us no more. Mark plowed. Mollie and Nora are in town.

Sept 11 (nothing listed)

Sept 12 Clear and fine. Hauled manure all day. Went to town to see how bricklayers were getting along. Found them out of brick and mortar. Mark plowed ground very hard and dry.

Sept 13 Hauled brick in forenoon & Mark hauled a load of sand for chimneys on Broadway. Afternoon finished hauling out manure and brought home tomato crates. Mrs. Ridgeway Haines of Alliance is here to stay all night. Mabel Garrigues is also here. Mollie went with Bro Will to hear B. McAuley in Concert Hall.

Sept 14 Aaron and I picked 25 bu tomatoes and took them to McNabbs. After coming back harrowed wheat ground with both teams. Are getting it in good shape.

Sept 15 Started with cousin Mollie and Nora for the Pittsburgh Exposition. Left Salem at 7:20 A.M. and got to P. before noon. Went to Allegheny Park and ate our lunch. Then went over the bridge area saw some of Pittsburgh before going to the Exposition. The Ex. Is well worth visiting and the day has been a profitable and withal a pleasant one to me. Bought some presents for the children and started to depot at 7 just in time to see train moving off without us. Went back to Ex. and stayed till 10 P.M.

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