

The following are unedited scanned OCR text that needs to be edited. (as soon as I get time)

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I have kept most of his actual spellings. A few were modernized for understanding. Remember his father died and he had to be the man of the family at age 12 which included running the farm and doing most of the farm work. This meant he did not get to attend much school if any. However he taught himself to read and later subscribed to several publications. He does spell by sound and his most amusing word perhaps is wimen-- well it does sound a bit like an I could be used there. Another baffling question is the use of shoat for goat. Perhaps it is the penmanship.

Since he castrated many shoats so this obviously did not mean she goat.

Needed definitions referred to several times IN 1800S :

**JAG OF HAY OR A JAG OF WOOD = SMALL LOAD**

**CALLED THE GRIP = **grippe** - = FLU**

definition of **grippe** in the Medical dictionary - by .

**grippe** (grip) [Fr.] influenza. **grippe** or grip (grip) n. popular term for influenza. in-flu-en-za (in'flū-en'zä), The colloquial word flu is often loosely applied to any acute viral syndrome, including gastroenteritis ("intestinal flu").  
<http://medical-dictionary.thefreedictionary.com/grippe>

**Mystery what are Mangles? He got paid for 31 bush of Mangles**

**Must be a kind of fruit Not Mango as that needs a semi tropical climate**

**Sounds like fruit but usual meaning is Flat Irons, Sat Irons, Cloth Presses, squeeze rollers**

**Some things of educational, genealogical or historical interest have been bolded.**

#### JANUARY 1897

Frid Jan 1 st 1897 Mild but cloudy with light squalls of rain this mornng. John

**Morrrows family C Browns family & C B Jamesons family met with us to hold New Years T here was 20 of us for dinner which each family found a part**

Sat 2 A dark rainy day We husked 4 shocks of corn in the mornng Spent the rest of the day reading, etc

Sab 3 A dark rainy day There was none of us to Church on acct of the storm

Mon 4 to Sat 9 Quite a mild week We were cutting wood drawing corn stalks

etc I was at Town Sat after-n

Paid for trade at several places .68

Recd of Jos Cofield ball on Dec 28 acct .20

Elmer Johnson Cr by 9 lbs butter .11@ 1.00

Sab 10 A fine winter day George & Vie were out to Preaching & S.S.

Services by J N Faris

Mon 11 to Sat 16 A week of mild winter weather. We were cutting wood Etc etc

One of us helped E. B Jennings (to pay for wood) Tues & Wedns clear a

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fence row & put up a fence on the S. side of his E 40 Vie & I attended 11 Meetg at R. J. Jamesons

Wedns after-n. Rev Faris. R.J.J. & wife visited here Friday. Paid for trade at several places in Town

Frid morning .80

Sab 17 Rained most of the night & mornng with showers through the day & thunder this eve

Vie & I were out to Preach-g & S S Services by Rev J M Ferris

Mon 18 Pleasant but a cold N wind. George was helping Vi wash &

I was **jointn & filing the cross cut saw** Geo was at Town & I was busy

Tues 19 A fine winter day Vi & I spent the day at Elmer Jamisons.

The **Ladies Miss-y Society** met there in the P.M

Wedns 20 A mild winter day We butchered our **hogs** this fore-n. Sold one to

W. Trimble **weighing 265 lbs** at .04 cts pr lb Recd pay 10.60

George delivered it this after-n. Paid for trade at Town today 1.00

Jos Cr by 50 lbs flour on a grist Mr & Mrs Stewart- Jas S (Stewart) were here this after-n & evening

Thurs 21 Quite cold with snow last night & squalls today. I rode out to Caro with

E. B Jennings Paid Himel-e for 5 yds linen Table Cloth \$1.65 & 3 1/2 yds satene for shirt for

myself.28 1.93

Paid F. S. Chase for medicine .75

Paid for notions etc .30

Frid 22 A cold wintery day. **We were cutting wood** in the fore-n. Geo was at Town & I was cutting up Pork in P.M **Paid Robt Myrick dog tax** for,96 1.00

E Jennings Dr to 59 lbs pork

Sat 23 Cold & blustery today I was **cleaning barrel & crock salting meat & cutting sausage** George recd in trade for 4 1/2 doz eggs .54

We took them to Town yesterday

Sab 24 A severe winter day. George & I were out to Church on foot Services by Rev J.M. Faris of New Concord, O [New Concord, O is all that is printed so we don't know what it stands for a state or perhaps Orchard]

Mon 25 Ther 10 below zero this mornng quite keen all day George went to

Akron after listing but failed to get any **I was cutting wood rep-g harness** etc

Tues 26 Quite keen this mornng. We were **drawing stalks & wood** in the fore-n.

I was up to Town & George was over to R.J. Jamesons in P.M

Wedns 27 Cloudy with light squalls of snow. We cut wood at the house in the fore-n George helped Mr Anable butcher in the after-n & I helped him 1/2 of the afternoon

Thurs 28 Quite sharp this mornng. George went to Bay City with Mr Anable.

I done the chores & went up Town Sold F. R

Adams a **crook of lard** weighing 14 3/4 lbs at .06 pr lb .92

Recd trade for .46 He owes me .46 George paid at Bay City

for drawers for himself 2 pair .50, 2 pair socks .50 I cap

& a pair of gloves .35 1.85

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Frid 29 Quite mild. We were cutting wood in the fore-n.

George was sick & I cut wood in the after-n

Sat 30 Quite mild. I was **fixing a dray** for E B Jennings in the fore-n.

Thurston & I cut wood in the after-n.

Sab 31 A fine day. Vi & I were out to S.S & Prayer Meetg

#### FEBRUARY 1897

Mon Feb 1st to Sat 6 A week of mildv winter weather except Sat which was quite damp We were cutting wood drawing log etc. **I have been in the house with grip since Thurs noon**

Sab 7 Mild but quite dark the boys were out to S.S. & P.M

**Chas Shamon was buried today Cause pneumonia caused by grip**

Mon 8 to Sat 13 Quite a mild week of winter weather. **I was not able to do anything outdoors on acct of grip & other troubles** We were puting **felt paper on the bedroom & kitchen** a couple of days. I was up to Town & got Dr Hamilton to

lance a Fistula at the back of the rectum Sat after-n George done the chores cut wood etc

Jos Wylie Cr by 3 sacks of flour which is 10 lbs more than the ball due on the grist

Sab 14 A strong S wind but not cold. Vi & George rode over to Church with R.J. Jamesons They had S.S & Prayer Meeting

Mon 15 A pleasant winter day. We were helping wash & finished puting the thick paper on the kitchen. E. B Jennings had the horse to draw fence posts from the Swamp

Tues 16 A pleasant day Vi & George were up to Town in the fore-n.

We were cutting wood & logs in the afternoon Fred Adams

Cr by Rub Shoes got by George 1.25

Wedns 17 A fine day. **We were skiding logs up to the house** in the fore-n.

Goerge helped E. B. Jennings butcher & I went to Town in the after-n. Called on Dr Hamilton again this after-n

Thurs 18 A fine day. George drew wood & corn fodder and I was chopping in the fore-n We were cutting wood in the P.M

Frid 19 A fine day. We drew 2 loads of stalks in the fore-n. George drew 2 loads

of wood & I was over to R.J. Jamesons & Rans-n Tibbets in the after-n R.J. Jameson agrees to come to our place Sat mornng & fix up matters as agreed on if I will release the

Chattle mortgage against Calvin Jamesons stuff. The amt due is \$171.20 which debt Renwick assume I discharged the mortgage

Sat 20 Cloudy with a chilly east wind this mornng quite a mist from the S toward eve.

**We were cutting wood at the house & drew a load this mornng.** R.J. Jameson was here this fore-n To settle up Calvin Jamesons indebtedness, he

gave me one Note of 100.00

payable one year from March 1 st 97

also a note payable on or before the 14th day of next April for 50.00

Also cash in hand 1.20  
leaving a bal of \$20.00 to be paid on or before March 1 st, 97 I was up

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to Town this after-n Called on Dr Hamilton  
again Paid for trade at several places .72

Ray Mixer Cr by beef for mince meat .25

Sab 21 Not frosty but a very strong S & S W wind George &  
Vie were out to Church. Preaching by Rev Rusk of St Louis

Mon 22 Quite a wind with squalls of snow. We **cut wood in the fore-n Geo  
attended School exercises in P.M**

Tues 23 Quite mild with flurries of snow.

**The wind blew a gale in the after-n with squalls of snow.** Goerge was working for E.B Jennings.

Thurston & I cut wood in the fore-n. Attended Ab Aldrichs sale in the after-n Paid Fred  
Adams for groceries .66 Paid Mrs Burroughs for cloth .20

I got Graham flour enough of Jos Wylie so that I owe him 25 lbs including 10 lbs  
overdrawn about the 10th of the mo Wedns 24 Not stormy but quite a chilly S. W wind  
I was cting & splitting wood Thurston helped me saw in P.M

Thurs 25 Pleasant but a cold N wind I drewed 6 logs up to Jas Greens mill got 2 of them  
sawed. he is Cr by sawing ft George helped E B Jennings Wens & Thurs

Frid 26 Pleasant but quite cold George was drawing wood **was puting in a bridge & cuting wood**  
at the house in the fore-n Attended prayer meeting at R.J. Jamesons in the after-n

Sat 27 A cold tedious day with a strong N wind. I was taging sheep for John  
Kirk Taged 56 head Recd pay .75

Went up Town afterwards, Recd of R.J. Jameson on cash due ]2.00

Paid R. C Burroughs ball on store acct 10.00

Paid Fred Adams for pants for Thurston \$ 1.00 other trade .201.20

Sab 28 A cold N wind thawed a trifle The boys & I attended Church.  
Services by Rev Rusk

### MARCH 1897

Mon 1 A pleasant winter day. George was tinkering the dray & drawing wood  
in the fore-n. Cut down trees & helped load in the after-n

Tues 2 Pleasant day Com-ed snowed this eve Walter Jameson & George were cuting &  
drawing wood in the log. I helped them in the fore-n. Vie & I attended Miss Society at  
Mr Wylies in the after-n. We spent the eve there I called on Dr Hamilton this P.M Paid  
for Coffee & Ulte Morine .30 Wedn 3 There was about 3 in of snow fell last night.

Wend Fair day. George was helping W. Jameson.

I was tinkering & cuting wood on the fallow

Thurs 4 A pleasant day but a cold air. I was jointing & filing the crosscut saw  
& went to Town. Paid Fred Adams for trade .26

George was helping W. Jameson Took a bag of corn in the ear to Mill had it  
shelled & ground for house use

Frid 5 A dark showery day. We were reading & tinkering in the fore-n. Helped Vie  
clean ceiling in the P.M

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Sat 6 Sunshine & snow squalls. Cold N wind We were cuting wood etc George  
was up Town & to C B Jamesons in the after-n

C B Jameson Dr to 25 lbs fish .50

Cr by 43 lbs beans. He is to let us have enough to pay for fish E B Jennings

Cr by 11lbs of salt

Sab 7 A pleasant day Vie & the boys attended S.S & Pray-r Meeting

Esther Brown came home with them

Mon 8 Rainy in the fore-n George helped EB Jennings & I cut wood in the afternoon

Tues 9 Rainy in the fore-n George was helping E.B. Jennings.

**I was picking up wood in the fallow**

Wedns 10 A fine day. I was up to Town this morning Called  
on Dr Hamilton Paid for medicine for Mother .50

Paid for alcohol for Med-e 20

Paid Fred Adams for groc .65

Paid Ed Otis for crackers .12

George & Walter Jameson were out to Caro this after-n

Thurs 11 A fine spring day George & I were cutting wood in the fore-n & helped Saml Jameson at build. a house over E B Jennings **boiling beans in the after-n**  
Frid 12 There was about 2 in snow fell last night quite a strong S.W. to N.W wind.  
I helped Samuel at the Mill building. Geo was up Town in the P.M  
Sat 13 Quite pleasant in the fore-n A cold N wind in the after-n I helped Sami Jameson on the Mill building. The boys cut wood at the house part of the day.

C. Brown **took tea with us.** Etta went home this eve

**C Mary Jameson & children made us a visit yesterday.**

Recd of R.J Jameson on cash debt 1.00

helped S.J.3days Saw file-g .15

Sab 14 There was some 3 in of snow fell last night. A strong N. W wind which piled up the snow  
There was none of us out to Church

Mon 15 A fine day. I helped wash in the fore-n. We cut wood in the after-n.

Maggie Brown Mary & Burt Fisher took tea with us. Maggie is going to stay

Tues 16 & Wedns 17 Fine days. Thawed day times. **George &**

**I attended the trial of the Jas Brown murderers at Caro.**

C. Brown came after Maggie this eve

Thurs 18 Quite a fog & mist all day. We were cutting wood at the house, ditching etc.

Frid 19 A fine day until about 5 oc when it com-ed raining. We were cutting wood at the house I saw a Robin this morn

Sat 20 Pleasant till nearly night when it com-ed raining We finished cutting long wood at the house. George went after the mail

Mon 22 A pleasant spring like day. We were splitting & piling wood at the house part of the fore-n We were drawing straw from E B Jennings (drawed on the wagon box without any rack) in the after-n **Calculated** we drewed

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about a load

Tues 11 Pleasant ill some three oc when it com-ed snowing We attended Albert Coles sale in the after-n but purchased nothing

Wedns 24 Snowed & blowed all day from the N. Some 4 to 6 in snow t@l I.

The ground & weather was such we could not work out

Thurs 25 A fine day overhead but terrible underfoot on acct of snow & slush

We were good boys & done the C

Frid 26 A fine day but a **terrible slush, there must have been 6 in of snow fell** during the storm of Wedns George spent the day at C. B. Jamesons Fred Adams Cr by bill of groceries .90

Sat 27 Fine overhead but fearful slushy under foot. George spent the day at Cal Browns. Thurston was up Town this for-n. I was home helping the women etc. Wm Leroux Cr by taping shoes for Vie .40

R. J. Jameson Cr by cash on acct 5.00

Sab 28 A fine day but **terrible for mud** George staid at C Browns last night

Stopt at Prayer Meeting on the way home He brought home word that **[Mar 1897] Andrew Morrows boy was killed in the Saw Mill** & that John & Eliza had gone there

Mon 29 A fine day overhead I went up to 'Town to get Vet Douglass to cottle &

**see our cow, found her (helpless behind)** with no cause that we knew of

when we went out this morn, I paid Mr Douglas \$1.50 for coming to tend cow Aug 10, 96 1.50

I owe him for this visit Paid Fred Adams for trade .90

got the 26th He is Cr by oil cloth got by George .60

Paid Ray Mixer for beef acct to date .25

I called on Dr Hamilton this morn Paid H Johnson for an ax helve .20

Tues 30 A fine spring day George was tending the Cow Mr Douglas called to see her I was at Andrew Kirks & taged 45 sheep Recd pay .65

I had to wait till after 10 oc for him

Wedns 31 A fine day George was **tending the cow.** I was over to Jas Elliots part of the day **Taged 14 sheep** for him. fie is Dr to the same .25

#### **APRIL 1897**

Thurs 1 A fine day. I was over to R. J. Jamesons this morn Worked in the woods part of the day. Helped with the cow the rest of the time. Geo all day.

Frid 2 A fine spring day. We **spent the most of the day about the cow. She had a calf last night but it did not live. Mr Douglas was here and removed the**

**placenta.** I owe him for services 3.50

that is for all he has done I was up to Town with E.B.J this

after-n. paid for trade .15

Ida Rusoe was here & spent the after-n. Geo waited on her home Jos

Wylie Cr by a sack of 25 lbs flour

Sat 3 A very fine day George was over to R.J. Jameson & got 6 1/2 bush of wheat to grind. He is Cr by the same Geo took the wheat & 10 bags of corn

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in the ear to Mill I helped San-d Jameson on the boiling building about 3/4 day

Geo **changed his corn for oats & shorts for cow feed** at the Mill Mr Douglas was here

to see the cow this eve. We sent for him Paid for alcohol for cow .40

Sab 4 A rainy day We were at home tending the cow. Mr Douglas called to see the cow this eve as he was going past E. B Jennings Cr by 13 lbs of oats for cow

Mon 5 Had quite a thunder shower last eve. Squalls of rain today. We put in our time

with the cow. W. Jameson staid to help us Sat night & Sab night. Him & Geo slept Sab day

Paid for alcohol this eve .40

Wedns 7 A fine day. We were nursing the cow, etc Recd of John Miller for tag I 5 S

Recd of L. Hinson for tag 14 Sheep 1 taged these this afternoon

Thurs 8 A fine day. **Geo attended the cow I was away taging sheep.** Chas Sherman Dr to

taging 18 sheep Wm Kirk Dr to tag 9 sheep

Frid 9 A fine day. We nursing the cow & sleeping Jess Dougherty Dr to 50 bush corn in ear.

Recd of him cash on the same

Sat 10 A fine day George went to help get Emory's Engine I was up Town &

called on Dr Hamilton this fore-n. The cow was taken worse abt noon. Sent

for Mr Douglas Paid for trade this fore-n .45

Sab 11A fine day. We were at home nursing the cow. George

had to go after alcohol for the cow this m. Pd for same .40

She was worse again today. Dr Douglas was here this eve

Mon 12 Pleasant this mornng Quite rainy like this eve The cow a great deal worse this mornng.

**The cow so near dead we killed her this fom. Mr Annable drawed her away for us.**

The boys cleaned up the stables etc in the afternoon. I was over to Robt Fosters

and taged 14 sheep for him Recd pay .25

Tues 13 Rained quite hard last night. showery through the day. I started out to

tag sheep this mornng but found them all wet

Wedns 14 A pleasant day Jess Dougherty was here & got 50

bush corn in the ear Recd of him for the same 5.50

also ball due on the on the other 3.50

**Recd of Ray Mixer for a cow hide weighing 63 lbs.04 @ 2.52**

Paid Adains for trade .70

Paid for a years **subsription for the Fairgrove Enterprise** 1.00

Time expires June 5, 1897

S. Brownell Dr to tag-g 31 sheep .32

Robert CofieldDrtotag10 " .15

Thurs 15 A fine day. Vi & I were visiting C Browns George staid with Walter

Jameson last night I taged 5 sheep for Cal Brown

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.25 Pd .30 .20 11@ 5.50 2.00

Apr 16 Rained the most of the fore-n. Cool & cloudy in the after-n. **I made a buggy**

**whiffletree** [noun Northern U.S. a crossbar, pivoted at the middle, to which the traces of a harness are fastened for pulling a cart, carriage, plow, etc. Also called whippetree, singletree, swingletree. Compare doubletree. Origin: 1820-30; variant of whippetree] in the fore-n ground tools etc. George was away lookin a, for work in the after-n

t 17 There was an in or more of snow fell last night A cold air today. I was

at home in the fore-n. Was at Fairgrove in the after-n R. J. Jameson

Cr by cash 27.00

Paid Hinkley a note of 20.00

giventtoWmBealsApr14,96 int 1.40

I also paid him a note of 7.00

given to Dr McKibbin June 16, 96 int .47

Paid for trade .35

Sab 18 A fine day but a strong S & SW wind Thurston & I were out to Church on foot

Mon 19 Turned cold & froze last night. A strong cold N wind all day. I helped Vie clean the pantry. Geo took some mail to the office in the fore-n At home in P.M

Tues 20 I froze over an inch thick in a wooden pail in the yard last nt.

**George was out selling press boards & carpet hoopers He recd for 7 of them 1.75**

John Cofield Dr to tag 16 sheep etc .35

Reed of Jos Adams for tag 16 sheep etc .25

Jas Cofield Dr to tag 16 sheep etc .30

Reed of John Miller for D & C 27 lambs .25

Wedns 21 Pleasant in the fore-n. 2 or three light spurts of rain in the after-n.

Geo was husking in the fore-n I taged 21 sheep for Jos Vandermark in (he fore-n. Dr to the same .35

Reed of Perry Moore for tag 29 S in P.M .50

Thurs 22 A fine day with a light spurt of rain in P.M Recd of Jas Otis for taging 27 S .40

Orvil Otis Dr to taging 41 S Pd .60

Frid 23 Sunshine & showers Geo was helping Mr Anable Recd of Thomas Mitchell for taging 42 S & shear B .75

Sat 24 Sunshine & showers Quite a heavy thunder S in the after-n Some hail Raining hard this even-g **Geo was looking for work** Recd of John Kirk for

Cast & docking 71 lambs & shearing B .50

He & I started after potatoes in P.M The rain stopt us at our place Paid for trade in Town this week 1.00

Paid H. W Johnson for spade .60

Reed of R.J. Jameson Thurs eve 3.00

Sab 25 Dark & showery in the fore-n. faired up in the P.M

We were not out to S.S & P.M

Mon 26 Quite a strong S.W wind this fore-n. Went to N W & colder this eve.

The boys helped wash etc I was away taging Wm Young Dr to tag 10 sheep  
Cast some 12 or 15 lambs 2 calves & 6 pigs He is Dr to the same .40

Reed of Osgeby Bro for tag 6 sheep.12

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Tues 27 Froze a trifle with white frost. The boys were at odd jobs. **I taged 37 sheep docked 13 E lambs** Cast 15 B lambs

I calf and 10 pigs for R J Jameson He is Dr to the same .75

R. J. Jameson paid me the ball of 2.00

on money due the 1 st of March.

He also paid me the ball of 20.50

on a note of \$50.00 given Mar 11 paid him for 12 2/3 bush wheat.85 @ 10.77

We got this wheat through the wint-r

Wedns 28 A fine day. The boys & I were out to Caro Got home about 2 oc in

P.M Paid B. Himelhoch for 2 suits of clothes 10.00

One was for George & I for Thurston

Paid for 3 pair of overalls 1.50

Pd for gal-d 10 qt pail .20 Slate. I 0 .30

Thurs 29 Pleasant or nearly so light squalls of mist or rain in after-n but not enough to drive folks in.

Quite a cold damp air. George was draging for Mr

Anable. I taged 7 sheep for E B Jennings in Mg Dr to .12

I was splitting & piling wood at the house the ball of the day

Frid 30 Dark & cold in the fore-n. Set in for rain abt 3 P.M We were drawing manure & working wood in the fore-n.

Vie & Thurston went to C.B.J in the P.M' I rode to Town with them. Called on Dr Hamilton

Paid Lereaux for serving shoe .10

Paid Adams for 2 lb 5 oz butter .25

**MAY 1897**

Sat I A dark rainy day Rained quite hard and steady all after-n. We **done the chores**

**[ Cemetery Ditch ]**

**called on neighbors etc. The Cemetry ditch was let this after-n, about 120 rds at.32 cts pr rd.**

**To be dug & tile laid & refilled 80 rds of it to be 3 ft deep at start finish at 4 1/2 deep About 40 rds**

of a branch that will be about 4 ft at one end & 4 1/2 at the other end.

Paid Wm Blair for **175 lbs of hay** got when the cow was sick at **\$8.00 @ .70**

Sab 2 The ground soaked full of water this morn Rained the most of the day.

Vi & George were out to Preaching and S.S Services by Rev Raitt of N.Y

Mon 3 A dark cloudy showery day. W. N quite cold The boys spent the day at C.B. Jamesons

Tues 4 Cleared off this fore-n nice & warm. the boys got home from

C.B.J. about 10 oc this morn. George helped Mr Anable in the after.

**I was getting out potatoes, Cd wood Etc**

Wedns 5 A fine day. George was helping Mr Anable. [5 MAY 1897 ]The WCTU Convention met at Fairgrove this morn. I took Vi up to Town this fore-n.

**[Womens Christian Temperance Union]**

I was splitting & piling wood in P.M **Attended the Convention this evening.**

**Thurston spoke a piece** Paid Ed Otis for a broom .20

Thurs 6 Turned quite cold this morn & threatened rain but did not

**George went fishing but got none** I took Vi to Town in the morn Attended Convention this eve

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Frid 7 A fine day, **We were drawing trash from pits & hen house**, manure on garden. & the last of our corn from the field. 11.

**H Honsingers buried their young child today [MAY 1897 ]**

Sat 8 A fine day. The boys cut wood in the fore-n. I was up to see Dr

Hamilton this morn. Vi & I went to Caro in P.M

Paid E. Otis for sugar & raisins .56

Paid F.Adams for 4 1/2lbsButter.50 trade.15 .65

Paid Hemelhoch for trade 4.17

Paid for meat.30 fish.06 .36

Paid for notions for several places .42

Sab 9 Pleasant til 2 oc or after when we had quite a shower Geo Vi & I were out to Preaching & SS Services by Rev Raitt

Mon 10 A fine day We were helping Vie wash drawing manure etc

Tues 11A fine day George was drawing stone etc for Calvin Brown. George came home this eve

Wedns 12 Threatened rain but did not amount to much. Geo was at home I was laying fence etc for Calvin Brown today.

Thurs 13 showery in the fore-n Calvin Brown had an Auction this after-n Geo.

Vi & I attended Recd of C. J. Brown for 2 days work 1.00

Paid for an axe & botle at sale .35

Frid 14 Sunshine & showers We were at home most of the day. Geo went to Browns to help Mr Anable drive cow home. Walter Jameson came here this

after-n Paid a tinker for Stove back & rep-s 1.50

Sat 15 A fine growing day. George **was ditching** for Chas Hall. I was up to see Dr Hamilton this fore-n Nothing to do in the after-n

Paid for trade in town .20

Sab 16 A fine day. We were out to Preaching & S. S Services by Rev Raitt

Mon 17 A fine day. Geo was helping Chas I Aldrich I helped Vi wash in (the fore-n & helped Mr Annible butchered 6 shoats in the after-n. Weighed 815 lbs

Tues 18 A fine day. Geo was helping Chas Hall Mr Annible went to Bay City with pork today I rode with him. We started at 10c A.M got there about 7 oc

We started for home about 10 1/2 oc arrived home at 4 oc P.M

Recd of Mr Annable for butchering .38

Paid out at Bay City .40

Wedns 19 A fine day. Geo was helping Chas flail [thrash] **I castrated 3 y Bull 4 calves** & sheared & done up fleeces of wool for Wm Kirk in the fore-n.

Dr to the same 1.25

Sheared 10 head for Wm Young Dr .65

1 also sheared 6 for Oglsby Bro Recd pay .40

Thurs 20 A dark rainy day Recd of John Miller for shear-g 15 sheep 1.00

Sheared for John Kirk in P.M Came home in the eve

Frid 21 A fine day. I sheared sheep for John Kirk till 2 oc I sheared 38

sheep for him

Sat 22 A pleasant day I sheared 16 sheep for Jos Foster &

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done up the wool. Dr to the same 1.28

Thurston **done up the wool** Went from there to Robt Fosters & sheared 13. Recd pay .90

Sab 23 A pleasant day. George Vi & I were out to Church Ettie Brown came home with us Services by Rev Raitt of N.Y

Mon 24 Quite cool & dark clouds in the afternoon I sheared

35 sheep for Perry Moore Recd pay for the same 2.00

Tues 25 May 1897 Quite cold but pleasant. **When I got home last night I found quite a number of young people gathered here in honor of Thurstons birthday. I also had C. Browns folks all night I sheared 20 sheep for Jos Vandert & [Thurston born in 1884 would have been 13 and already had to do a mans work daily]**

done up wool Recd for shearing \$1.80 Taging .3 5 2.15

Wedns 26 There was quite a frost last night a fine day.

Recd of Jos Davison for shearing & tying 6 fleeces .55

Sheared 2 for Lockwood Recd pay .16

Came home from Town but found no shearing at present

Paid for 5 lbs flank roast at .07 @ .36

Thurs 27 A fine day. I rode out to Caro with E.B Jennings

Paid Himmelhoch for pant & sus. 2.00

Paid for Dinner .25 Med.25 Tob. I 0.60

Frid 28 A cold chilly N.W wind & cloudy. Geo took potatoes out of the pits I sheared sheep for R.J. Jameson 32 head.

Recd pay 2.00 for taging.75 2.75

Sat 29 Quite warm today. I sheared 11 sheep for Wm

Houghtailing this fore-n Recd pay 1.00

Was fiting shears etc in P.M George Annible & team went with

George to draw us a load of hay Thurs fore-n Got 1202 lbs of

Munson Clark at \$7.00 per ton 4.20

He is Dr to cash on the same 2.50

Lent Ed Annible for a few days .75

June 25 George paid the above acct of .75

Sab 30 Rained last night & this mornng. pleasant day Vie & the boys were out to Ch

Mon 31 A fine day. I helped Vi in the mornng. Called on Dr Hamilton in the fore-n Sheared 17 sheep for John Cofield in the after-n

Dr to the same Pd 1.05

George went with me & sheared 3 of the number

Paid Mr Clark by his wife ball on hay got May 27 1.70

**JUNE 1897**

Tues I A fine day I sheared 16 sheep for Jos Adams this fore-n

He is Dr to the same 1.00

Sheared 17 for Jas Cofield in the after-n

Recd for the same 1.00

Wedns 2 Jun 1897 A fine day I sheared 18 sheep for Chas Sherman this fore-n marked & taged them, Castrated & **dusted** his lambs. Recd pay 1.25

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Sheared the ball of the after-n for Andrew Kirk Sheared 10 Came home this evening

Thurs 3 Pleasant but quite cloudy & windy. I sheared 30 sheep for A Kirk today

Frid 4 Quite cold this mornng I sheared 6 sheep for A Kirk this mornng making 46 in all. Recd pay 3.10

1 staid at Mr Kirks last night Thurston came to take me over to Jas Otis. got there at 10 1/2 oc sh-d 21

Sat 5 Quite a fine day Staid with Mr Otis last night.

Sh-d 5 head this nomg making 26 in afl Reed pay 1.80

Came to Rbt Cofield & sh-d 9 sheep for him Reed pay .63

tag .10 Came home this even-g

Sab 6 A pleasant day Vie & the boys were out to P. M & SS Vie & I went to see

**Sarah Parker who is very bad off with "Quinsy"** [that is the way he spelled it whatever it is]



Mon 7 Rained some last night. faired up this fore-n I helped Vie wash in fore-n C Browns Folks took dinner here staid until toward even-George & I were up town this eve Paid for meat.26 Seed Mar-g & crackers.22.48

Tues 8 Some frost this m A fine day. The boys were planting potatoes on E.B.J yesterday & today . finished I was helping Doc Winchell put up a tool shed

Wedns 9 Quite a frost last night. A fine day. George helped Mr Annible plant potatoes. I was helping Doc Winchell on a shed. Recd pay 2.00

Thurs 10 A fine day Geo was helping Mr Annible. I sheared 7 head of sheep for E.B. Jennings this fore-noon. Dr to the same .63

Vie & I went to John Morrows visiting in P.M

Frid 11 A fine day. Geo was (Ed note: this left blank) Vie & I came to C.

Browns this fore-n. Met C B Jameson folks there spent the P.M there Reed of Wni Kirk shearg & tag-g acct 1.18

Sat 12 A fine day. We were at several jobs. Geo went over to R J Jameson & got 4 bush & 10 lbs of wheat at .80 toi, 3.33

Paid him cash on the some 2.50

George to the wheat to Wylie Mill. Recd sacks of flour Vi & I were at Town this eve Paid Ed Otis for trade 1.12

Paid R. Mixer for beef roast 5 1/2 lbs .44

**Andy Morrows wife died the night of the 11 of June [1897]**

Sab 13 A fine day Thurston & I were out to S.S & P. Meetg

Mon 14 Very warm today George was helping Mr Annible

Reed of O. Otis for shearing 38 sheep & .60 for tag-g 2.00

Paid him Frank Otis's acct of 1.25

Paid LeReaux acct for rep shoes .40

Paid Edward Otis for trade.38

Tues 15 A fine day. George helped Mr Annible. I sheared 14 sheep in the fore-n for Jas Elliot He is Dr to same Pd 1.00 After 2 oc sheared for Thom-s Mitchell in P.M

Wedns 16 A fine day. Geo helped Mr Annible. I finished shearing at l'ht)s

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Mitchell's at 4 P.M 42 in all He is Dr to the same 2.50

Thurs 17 A fine day Geo was helping Mr Annible in the fore-n went to Caro in the after-n. I sheared 20 sheep for Sm Brownell

He is Dr to the same at.07 @ Pd

Frid 18 Quite cool this m **I sheared 9 sheep** at Wm Kinneys this fore-n. making 15 in all.

He is Dr to the same Cr by cash on the same

Geo helped Mr Annible in the fore-n Went to Caro in P.M Sat 19 A fine day.

We were at home this fore-n **cleaning &**

**scalding chicken coops & house.** Were up to town in after-n called on Dr Hamilton

Paid S. N. Aldrich Store acct to date

Paid H. W. Johnston's acct to date

Paid F. Bosworth for 2 lbs Crack-s

Quite a fine shower this eve

Sab 20 A fine day but cool air. Vie & the boys were out to S.S Prayr Meeting

We **attended revival service** at the M.E. Church this eve Conducted by Rev Connelly & Minnis

Mon 21 Quite a frost this mornng cool N air. George helped Frank Bedell.

I drove to the Pararrie to get shearing but failed as they were shear-d Attended Church this eve

Tues 22 A fine day. George was helping Frank Bedell I was

at home **Thurston went home with Jas Stewarts** folks last night came home tonight

We attended Church this even-g

Wedns 23 Very warm day. Geo & Walter Jameson were at Caro I was working in the garden

We attended revival meetings 'Thurs 24 Very warm. Geo was at home.

**I sowed Buck-wheat** for E.B. Jennings a good half day. fie is Dr to the same .50

We attended Church services this eve

Frid 25 A cool air but a fine day. George & I had no place

to work today. Cleared up the garden and set out some Celery & Cabbage.

George drove up to Town after flour Jos Wylie **Cr by 2.25 lbs sacks on the 1st grist of wheat**

We attended Revival Ser this eve

Sat 26 A fine day George was cultivating for E.B Jennings.

I was at home in the fore-n. Drove over to Cofields & to Town in the after-n Recd of

John Cofield for shearg & tag 1.40 Recd of Jos Adams on shearing acct  
Paid him for wool card-g 5 lbs  
Recd of Jas Cofield amt due on tag  
Paid Adams for 20 yds print for notions groceries etc  
**Paid Ed Otis for sugar buttons .55**  
Vi stopt at Mrs Wylies till evening. Attended Church Service this eve

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1.40 1.00 .75 1.27 1.67 .14 .90 .40 .30 1.00 1.12 .55  
Sab 27 A fine day The boys were out to Church. We **staid at home to take care of Mother as she was sick all night.** We were at Revival Service in the even-g  
Mon 28 A fine day George comed working for Del Bradworth  
this mornng. I was **helping the Campbell boys pull milk weed.**  
We attended the last Revival Services this eve  
Tues 29 Sunshine & showers (but very light) in the fore-n  
**The boys & Vi attended our School picnic in Miss Hinsons**  
woods today I was up Town this eve  
Paid for trade in town .35  
Recd of Sm Brownell ball on shear-g .75  
Wedn 30 Jun 1897 Very warm I was **shear-g making a whiffle tree hoeing**  
in the garden etc. Rode up to Town with R.J. Jameson Paid for trade .16

**JULY 1897**

Thurs 1 A very warm day I was cultivating potatoes  
Thurston was hoeing weeds in P.M  
Frid 2 Very warm Thurston hoed in the garden etc. I  
cultivated for E B Jennings  
Recd oi'Jas Elliot for shearing  
Sat 3 Very hot to day **We attended Celebration for the 4** at Fairgrove.  
Ettie Brown came here last night went with us  
Sab 4 Very hot. George & I were out to S.S & P.M. Calvin &  
Maggie Brown came home with us to call on Mother & bid her  
farewell. St for the N. in the mornng [guessing starting for the North]  
Mon 5 Very hot. I was plowing corn for E B Jennings  
Thurston was helping hoeing potatoes  
Tues 6 Very warm I **plowed corn** for E B Jennings in the  
fore-n helped Jake Leighm an draw hay for EB Jennings in the afternoon  
Wedns 7 A very warm day. I was helping Jas & Joe Campbell  
hay it. Thurston was hiring potatoes [that is what is written meant hoeing]  
Thurs 8 Exceedingly warm I was helping Campbell Brothers  
hay it. [hay it is what is written twice] Thurston **hoed potatoes**  
Frid 9 Very hot. Thurston hoed potatoes. I helped the  
Campbell Brothers **hay it.** They are Dr to 3 days **hayng** at  
\$1. 00 pr day 3.00  
They are Cr by hay at pr ton  
Sat 10 Very hot till evening when it got cooler abt 4 oc  
I was helping E B Jennings cut & draw hay. George came home  
this evening to spend Sabbath  
Sab 11 A light rain toward mornng & threatening like in the  
fore-n We were not out to Church  
Mon 12 A fine day There was quite a rain to the west & N of

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us but none here to speak of. Thurston helped Vie & **buged**  
**potatoes** Drove up to town this even-g. Paid F. R Adams for  
groceries, etc .46  
Paid H. Burrough for I qr box rent I July to Oct I .10  
For paper & envelopes .12  
Paid E. J. Otis for several art-s .65  
llaid II. Johnston for Screen door & hangings .77  
E B Jennings Dr to the same .77  
This is to be applied on house rent  
I was mowing for E B Jennings & in the graveyard

Tues 13 A fine shower from the N & N.E this morn. **I was sick with a heavy cold. drank hot tea & went to bed this fore-n was sowing corn in the barnyard & working in the garden in P.M**

Wedns 14 Quite warm. Thurston **was cultivating potatoes** & I was hoeing & planting corn for fodder

Thurs 15 A fine day. I was hoeing stuff in the fore-n gathered potato bugs in the after. drove up town this eve Pd for trade .33

Recd of Jos Foster ball on shearg 1.15

Thurston finished cultivating potatoes

Frid 16 A fine day Thurston was **buging potatoes** & I helped Jake Leighman draw hay on E B Jennings acct in the fore-n We were sprinkling potatoes in P.M

Sat 17 A fine day. We were **hoeing & weeding mangles** working out the garden etc. I went up town this eve George came home with me Recd of Jos Wylie 3 sacks of flour ball due on grist Paid for trade this eve .71

Sab 18 A fine day The boys & I were out to S S & Preaching Services by Rev Sproull stated supply

Mon 19 to Wedns 21 Sunshine & showers. I was mowing for Del Brodworth put in 2 1/4 days time till Wedns noon. He is Dr to the same 2.25

Thurs 22 to Sat 24 Fine growing weather with 2 or 3 light squalls of rain I was helping Sm Brownell hoe potatoes & harvest he is Dr by cash on work 2.00

Daid S.N. Aldrich for shoes for Vie 1.35

Paid Ray Mixter for Meat this week.58

Ettie Trimble was helping Vie sew Frid & Sat Pd for swnel.00

Sab 25 A fine day. The boys were out to Preaching & SS Walter Jameson was here last night

Mon 26 Com-ed raining abt 9 1/2 this morn. I helped Sth Brownell draw wheat this morn. Rained so I could not get home till after 4 oc Sowed turnips this eve

Tues 27 showery in the fore-n pleasant in the after-n. I was

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hanging a screen door **transplanting & weeding mangles** etc Wedns 28 to

Sat 31 Four fine days. I was hoeing potatoes & drawing wheat for Sth Brownell

George came home from Del Brodworths Wedns Morning Paid E. Otis for trade Sat eve 1.00

#### **AUGUST 1897**

Sab I A fine day. The boys were out to S.S & P Meetg

**Mother was sick with a chill & fever last night**

Mon 2 to Wedns 4 I helped Sth Brownell harvest thresh hoe

etc until nearly 11oc when we had to quit on acct of rain

I came home in the after-n The Ladies Miss Soc met at our place Tues after-n There was 29 present all told

Thurs 5 to Sat 7 Three fine days. I helped S Brownell draw grain hoe roots thresh etc until Sat noon S Brownell Cr by cash on work 5.00

Paid Fred Adams for I pair of shirts 1.00

Paid S N Aldrich for fine shoes for myself .99 2 pr of cot socks .20 Pants .50 Purse . 10 1.79

W. Kinney Cr by ball on shearg .25

Sab 8 A fine day. We were all out to Preaching & S School Services by Rev Sproull who has moved here with his family. They came Thurs

Mon 9 I finished working for Sth Brownell this eve I helped him 6 days hoeing & 7 harvesting & threshing Recd \$1.00 pr day for harvesting & .75 pr day for hoeing Recd pay 11.50

Tues 10 to Sat 14 Fine weather. I **was cuting wild hay** on

the Faulkner farm. George helped me three days & Thurston two The boys attended picnic at Bayport Wednesday & George helped the Campbell Bro Friday.

I paid for trade this week 1.50

Sab 15 Sunshine & showers. The boys & I were out to S S & Preachg

Mon 16 showery in the fore-n fair in the after-n. I helped Vie wash in the fore-n. We were plowing & **hoeing potatoes & Mangles** in the after-n, back in the field

Tues 17 A pleasant day. We were plowing & hoeing potatoes in the fore-n George, Thurston & I put up the last of our hay in the P. M 94 cocks in all

Paid for Sugar Butter & Honey .60

Wedns 18 A fine fore-n showery part of the after-n George & Walter Jameson were after B Berries. George picked 12 qts.

I helped Elmer Jameson spread out oats in A.M

**Thurs 19 A fine day The boys went Black berrying** R. J.

Jameson spent part of the fore-n here & I hoed potatoes in the

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afternoon The boys got 12 qts of berries today

Frid 20 A fine day. Thurston & I hoed potatoes part of the i'oren George was over to the hay field We drew our hay in the P. M Had E B Jennings hand & team drawing hay Frid after-n

Sat 21 A fine day. George was helping Chas Hall. I was up to Town this mornng Helped E.B Jennings draw oats after 10.15 this fore-n Paid Ed Otis for trade .70

Paid Jos Wylie for 4 sacks of flour 2.40

Paid Ray Mixter for meat .25

2 sacks of this flour was some that we borrowed on the grist but failed to find the wheat

Sab 22 A fine day The boys & Vie were out to S S & preaching

Mon 23 A fine day George was helping Chas Hall. I was

helping E B Jennings draw oats. Eliza Morrow & Maggie Brown

& Mr S Parker & Mrs King were here visiting. C. Brown & John Morrow were here Saturday

Tues 24 Pleasant in the fore-n Two or three light showers

with thunder in the after-n George helped Chas Hall I helped E B Jennings

draw oats in the fore-n & 2 hours in P.M Wedns 25 A fine day George helped Chas Hall.

Thurston & I were hoeing potatoes I was up to town this eve Paid S N

Aldrich for trade .58

Thurs 26 A fine day. The folks spent the day at C. B Jainesons. George & I finished hoeing potatoes in the fore-n. lie helped the Campbell Bro in the after

Frid 27 A fine day. George was working for the Campbell

Bro. I was up to Town this mornng. Thurston & I cut **wood on the fallow** in the P.M

Sat 28 A fine day. George was helping the Campbell Bro. I was at work in the garden in the fore-n Helped Emory **fix the line fence between himself & Annable**

**to keep Annibles pigs out of the crops & garden.** Work gratis

Sab 29 showery looking with a heavy wind in the after-n. Part of us were out to Church Services Dat time & evening

Mon 30 A fine day I was helping Vie about the **washing** in the fore-n **Worked in the garden** in P.M The boys were up Town this fore-n. Brought Clyde Sproull home with them

They spent the after-n visiting Fed the last of the hay got of the Campbell Bro

Tues 31 A pleasant day. We were fixing fence & drawing wood in the fore-noon.

George went to Caro to ball play in the after-n Vie & I attended the Ladies Miss Society at Jas Steinwarts in the after-n Clyde Sproull went with us Paid S

N Aldrich for groceries .37

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#### SEP'FEMBER 1897

Wedns 1 showery & rainy like in the mornng. We were cuting wood, had to quit abt 11oc I helped E.B. Jennings thresh after 3 oc till night

Thurs 2 A fine day. The boys drew wood in the fore-n & I

helped E.B. Jennings finish threshing & rid up after them.  
 Time 3/4 day. Dr to the same .75  
 We were working garden splitting wood etc in the afternoon.  
 Frid 3 A fine day. George helped Mr Annible the most of the  
 day. I was helping Sth Brownell thresh until abt 10 oc.  
 Helped him bale rye straw the ball of the day  
 Sat 4 A fine day. George helped Mr Annible thresh part of  
 the fore-n & helped Ran-s Tibbets the ball of the day. I  
 helped S. Brownell bale straw  
 Ed Otis Cr by trade this eve .60  
 Sab 5 A fine day. Part of us were out to Church Service  
 this fore-n & some of us attended in eve,  
 Pd traveling exp .30  
 Paid them to Rev McLuney Sn (?)  
 Mon 6 Very warm George was at home. I was helping Sth  
 Brownell bale hay & straw  
 Tues 7 Very warm George was helping Mr Annible. I helped  
 S. Brownell bale hay & straw. We set 3 times at home then  
 moved to his place We baled nearly 14 ton of Rye straw &  
 nearly 4 ton of hay Recd of S Brownell for 4 days work 3.00  
 Paid Ed Otis on store acct of Sat eve .60  
 Wedns 8 A very warm day. The boys spent the day at Bay  
 Park. I was at home  
 Thurs 9 Very warm. George was helping the Canpbell Bro. I  
 was at home the most of the time. Vi & I called at Mr Davis  
 this eve. R. J. Jameson Cr by 2 bush of oats I got them today  
 Frid 10 A warm day. I was up to Town this mg. Brought  
**Ettie Trimble** home with me. Geo took her home this eve. We  
 were repairing the stable cuting wood etc  
 Pd Ed Otis for 2 lbs butter .22  
 Pd Amos Bond for 1/2 oz quinine .30  
 Pd Jos Wylie for 25 lbs flour .70  
 Sat 11 We had a fine shower this mornng with some thunder,  
 cloudy the most of the day. George went to Caro with Mr  
 Annible to help with stock. Thurston & I cut wood some 6 hours  
 Sab 12 A fine day. We were out to Church Services mornng & eve  
 Mon 13 A fine day. the boys were helping wash etc. I was

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up to Town to see Smith Standard about his Mothers farm. he  
 was not at home left word with his wife We were cuting  
 wood in the P.M Paid for groceries at Otis & Aldrich .66  
 Tues 14 A fine day. George was helping Mr Annible & I  
 helped E.B. Jennings handle over & bag up oats that were  
 heating He is Dr to the same .50  
 The women & Thurston were over to Jas Stewarts visiting  
 Wedns 15 Very warm. We were **filng the saw, grinding ax** etc  
 in the fore-n. George **cut corn** for Rams Tibits in the after-n  
 Thurston & I cut wood part of P.M  
 Thurs 16 Very warm in the fore-n turned cooler in P.M with  
 light rain squalls. George com-ed working for Campbell Bro  
 this mornng for a month is to rec \$13.00 pr mo. Thurston & I  
 were cuting & **picking up wood on the fallow** abt 2/3 of the day  
 The women spent the day visiting at Mr Jos Wylies Vi pd Ed  
 Otis for butter .16  
 Frid 17 Quite cold this mornng but a fine day **Thurston & I**  
**were out trying to find work but failed.** Took dinner at John  
 Cofield. Recd of him for **Cast 10 shoats** .25  
 Sat 18 A fine day. Thurston was doing chores. I was  
 helping Jake Leighman **bale hay** Recd for the same .75  
 Was up to Town this evening Paid for trade at several places.86

Sab 19 A fine day. We were out to Church Services morning & evening

Mon 20 A light sprinkling of rain this mornng. We were cutting corn for Rans Tibbits after 9 1/2 oc Are to rec .75 pr, tcre & board

Tues 21 A fine day. Calvin Brown & Maggie staid with us last night. We **were cutting corn** at R Tibbits 3/4 day

Wedns 22 A fine day. We were cutting corn for Rans Tibbits We cut 5 acres lacking 4 shocks He is Dr to the same 3.70 Cr by cash as he could not make change 5.00

Thurs 23 A fine day We were cutting corn for Sth Brownell .75 pr acre & board Pd for trade at Town this eve .84 Paid Aldrich for 25 lbs flour .70

A heavy frost last Tues night

Frid 24 A fine day. We were cutting corn for Sth Brownell **We cut 205 shocks 848 all total** Recd cash on the same 2.00

Sat 25 A fine day. We cut corn for Jake Leighman in the fore-n when Thurston quit I helped him until 5 oc this eve Recd pay 1.00

Vi & I were up Town this eve Paid S N Aldrich for trade .37 Paid Jos Wylie for 100 lbs barley meal .60

Sab 26 A fine day. We were out to Church Services mornng & eve **316**

Mon 27 A fine day. Thurston **was cutting fodder** at home I helped G eo Hinson cut corn We ( that is him & I cut 304 shocks of corn 6 x 6, Recd pay for the same 1.00

Paid Ed Otis for trade this eve .35

Paid Fred Adams for butter meat etc .70

Tues 28 A fine day. I **was banking celery** cutting wood etc Thurston was **cutting sweet corn & pop corn & washing buggy**

Wedns 29 A fine day very warm in the after-n. Thurston & I were **cutting corn by the acre for E B Jennings** this fore-n So dry could not cut in the after-n I was up Town **Pd for shoe-g horse** .25 Paid for 3 lemons at E. 0 .07

Pd S N Aldrich **for black Derby hat** .40

George went to Caro this m **to attend the Fair**. he went with Jas Stewarts boys

Thurs 30 A fine day. **Thurston Vi & I attended the Caro fair** Paid for **family tickets & horse fare** 1.25

Paid for dinner for Vi & I .50

**Bronco's John Show of the wild west were on hand** for business

#### OCTOBER 1897

Frid 1 A fine day. We attended the Caro Fair again today Paid for **horse & hay on contract** 1.25

Sat 2 A fine day. George was at home helped us cut corn for E B Jennings in the fore-n. Thurston & I **bound up the sowed fodder** in P.M Pd Ed Otis for 2 1/4 lbs butter ?7

Sab 3 A fine day. We were out to preaching today and eve also

Mon 4 -A fine day We were cutting corn for ourselves on E B Jennings in the fore-n **We were making a wheel borrow in the afternoon**

Tues 5 A fine day Thurston cut corn E B Jennings part of the fore-n I helped E B Jennings draw & thresh Buck wht & draw grain in the fore-n He is Dr to the same .50 fie is Dr to cutting 2 1/2 a corn 2.50

Wedns 6 A fine day We were **diging potatoes**

Thurs 7 Quite a nice shower last night. We cut corn for ourselves in the fore-n Dug potatoes in P.M

Frid 8 A fine day but quite cool. Communion Fast day. We attended Church Borrowed of E B Jennings cash 2.00

I got this to use a few days Paid E. J. Otis for trade .75

He is Cr by a piece of pork 7 lbs at .07+ .50  
Sat 9 A fine day. The folks attended Church. I was **helping**  
Mr Krentzerberder **thresh** today. Recd payment 1.00  
Sab 10 A fine day. Communion Sab. We attended Services day

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& eve. Eliza Morrow & daughter **took dinner with us**, went home this eve.

Mon 11 showery this mornng but did not rain much till eve We  
finished cuting corn on E B Jennings in the fore-n. Dug  
potatoes till stopt by rain in P.M

Tues 12 A nice rain last night a fine day. We finished  
diging potatoes on Emorys Had 40 bush off of 2 acres of  
which we **pited 20 bush** for him Was up to Town this eve  
Paid F. Adams **for flour & groc** .82

1 le is Cr by a piece of pork .23

**Paid Crosby for 1 lb 13 oz of butter .26**

Wedns 13 A fine warm day We **com-ed husking** for Jake  
Leighman this mornng husked for him in the fore-n Thurston  
husked his pop corn & I bound & set up what stalks we husked  
in the fore-n & husked Vie & I **were up to town this eve**

Paid F Adams for spices, etc .22

Thurs 14 A fine warm day Vie Thurston & I were husking for  
J. L this fore-n. Thurston & I were **husking the sweet corn** &  
reseting stalks 1/2 of the aftn husked the ball of the time

Frid 15 A fine day. We husked corn for Jake Leighman three  
fourths day 3/4 day I went over to Rbt Cofield toward eve we  
castrated 10 shoats & a spring calf. Recd paymt .25

Staid to supper with them

Sat 16 Cooler & cloudy. We were husking for Jake L today  
'there was **a heavy gale from the N West about noon, blowed  
over the most of our corn shocks**

Sab 17 A fine day. Mother & the boys were out to S.S &  
prayer Meeting

Mon 18 A fine day. We were husking corn for Jake Leighman  
are to rec. .03 1/4 pr bush & .03 1/2 if anyone pays it  
Recd of him on husking cash 2.00

We averaged 3/4 day apiece since we com-ed

**Was up Town this eve Pd Adams for a sack of flour &  
groceries & meat 1.63**

Tues 19 A fine day. We were husking corn for Jake Leighman  
J. Jameson s folks were here & spent the eve. Paid E.

Otis for 2 3/4 lbs butter.42 Cheese . 10 (last eve) .52

Wedns 20 There was a fine rain last night & this mornng We husked for Jake after 10 A.M  
George finished work at Mr Campbells this evening

Thurs 21 A fine day. Thurston & I husked corn for Jake

Leighman George comenced husking for Emory Jennings

Frid 22 Quite a fine rain last night Thurston & I were  
husking for Jake Leighman & George was husking for E.B.J

Recd of Jake Leighman on husking 5.00

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He is also Cr by 2 bush oats

Paid George \$2.00 on E.B. Jennings acct. This pays cash got  
of him Oct 8th 2.00

Vi & I were up Town this eve Paid F Adams for boots for  
myself 2.50

Paid him for groceries cloth etc .92

Sat 23 A fine day. I helped Elmer Jameson thresh until 10c  
to finish the job The boys helped him 2 1/2 hr apiece

He is Dr to all of us for help .88

I banked the celery & repaired the buggy & the boys husked  
for Emory the ball of the after-n The boys were up Town this

eve W Jameson came home with them  
 George paid for a ball of Bind-r twine .25  
 Sab 24 A fine day. We were out to Church Services m & eve  
 Claud Stewart was here between Serv Thurston & I husked for  
 Jake George husked for E.B.J  
 (Ed. Note- see below for mix-up on dates)  
 Tues 25 A fine day. I husked for Jake. Thurston husked in  
 the fore-n **Attended School Exercises in the after-n last day [OF SCHOOL Oct 1897]**  
 George helped Mr Annible in A.M attended a sale in the P.M  
 Wedns 26 A fine day. The boys were **diging & piting roots.**  
**There was 36 bush Mangles** & 6 of carrots I husked corn for  
 Jake Leighman He is Cr by cash on husking 5.00  
 Vie was up Town yesterday Paid Fred Adams for flour & groc 2.37  
 Paid Ed Otis for lard .22  
 Mrs Wylie & Mr & Mrs Sproull were here visiting today  
 Thurs 27 A pleasant day but quite cool mornng & eve. We were  
 husking for Jake in the fore-n Thurston helped George husk &  
 burn stumps in the after-n & I helped Rbt Foster draw stalks  
 in the after-n He is Dr to the same .50  
 This pays him for a bush of peas got this fall but but not Cr  
 Fri 28 A fine day but quite cool mornng & eve. We husked corn  
 for Jake. George took a piece of ground 12 acres to plant to  
 corn another spring, he was picking up & burning stumps &  
 logs & other trash all day  
 Sat 30 Quite cool but pleasant **We were all picking up &  
 burning on corn ground**  
 Mon 25 I skiped writing for last Monday making the record  
 of the week one day behind hand, Mon was a fine  
 day. Thurston & I husked for Jake & George husked for E B Jen  
 Sab 31 A pleasant day We were out to Church Services mornng & evening

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#### NOVEMBER 1897

Mon I Quite warm this mornng cloudy & rainy like but did not.  
 The wind com-ed blowing from the N towards noon very high in  
 the after-n Thurston & I husked for Jake in the fore. &  
 George & Thurston in P.M I **helped** E B Jennings on **corn crib**  
 in P.M He is Dr to the same .50  
 George husked for E B Jennings in the fore-n  
 Tues 2 Cloudy with a strong N.E & N wind. Thurston & I  
 husked for Jake Leighman George husked for Emory in the  
 fore-n. Vie & him were up Town in the after-n  
 Paid Jos Wylie for 25 lbs flour .25  
 Paid for 3 lbs 14 oz butter.65 Meat.42 1.07  
 Wedns 3 Quite a frost last night a fine day George helped  
 Thurston husk for Jake Leighman in the fore-n He attended a  
 sale in P.M Paid for a sq drag 2.10  
 I was geting the roof ready & shingling on a corn crib for E.BJ  
 Thurs 4 A fine day Thurston husked for Jake Leighman  
 George helped the Campbell Bro **bale hay**. I was **shingling** for  
 E-.B.Jennings. he is Dr to 2 days work 2.00  
 Mother & Vie were visiting at Mr McQuarters. Mother stopt at  
 Mr Youngs to stay all night  
 Frid 5 Pleasant but cloudy in the fore-n. Squalls of rain in  
 the after-n. George was helping the Campbell Bro Thurston &  
 I husked for J.L in the fore-n. **husked 8 shocks toward even-g.**  
 Mother & Vie were visiting at Mr Youngs  
 Sat 6 showery through the night with quite a strong west  
 wind. Two or three squalls of snow or frozen rain this  
 mornng. Thurston & I finished husking at Jake Leighmans about  
 2 P.M We were spliting wood & choreing the ball of the



after-n. George finished work at Campbells at noon. Husked for E B J part of the after-n. I have carried home from Jake Leighmans 4 bush of sorted corn and 5 bush of poor corn  
Sab 7 A pleasant day We were out to Church Service morning & evening  
Mon 8 Wet & showery in the fore-n. Pleasant in the after-n I helped about washing in the fore-n. Thurston & I husked for E.B.Jennings out of the shock in the afternoon  
Tues 9 Rained through the night. Thurston & I husked on the hill about 3/4 day for E.B. Jennings  
Wedns 10 A fine day. Thurston & I husked about 1/4 day on the hill, out of the shock the ball of the day (for E B J)  
Mother & Vie were visiting at Mrs Parkers.  
Vie paid for flour & groc 1.82

R. J. Jameson returned 38 bush of corn borrowed last spring

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Thurs 11 Rained through the night with rain squalls in the fore-n. Thurston & I husked corn on the hill from 2 P.M until night

**Frid 12 Cold & windy. We cleaned out the chimneys & pipes** in the mornig, The boys went up Town & to Mill in the fore-n & I husked on the hill about 2 hours. We were tending to our garden truck in the after-n. George paid Jos Wylie **for a bag of feed & a bag of bran .65**

Paid Leroux for taping Moth-s shoes .40

Paid for glass. 12 & for cheese. 1 3 .25

Sat 13 Quite a pleasant day We husked on the hill abt 4 hours this fore-n George attended a sale & Thurston & I husked on the hill in the after-n. Reed of Jake of Leighman

Ball due on husking 8.08

Paid him for 9 bush corn in the ear 1.06

& for 6 bush of oats at .17 a bush 1.02

Thurston & I husked 618 bush for him at .03 1/4 cts pr bush & board ourselves

Sab 14 Quite cold & cloudy with squalls of rain. George & I attended Church Services There was none this eve

Mon 15 Warm & foggy. George & I husked out of the shock for E B Jennings. Thurston **could not on acct of severe head ache**

Tues 16 Cloudy with a cold N. W wind George was over to Thos Mitchelis & R.J Jamesons in the fore-n & I husked 6 rows of corn on the hill for E.B. J George & Thurston husked 6 rows in the after-n.

**I was on the sick list Read a paper [NOVEMBER 1897] from Clara with an acct of her husbands death Nov 10th.**

**Cause of death Suicide (Ed note: I wonder if he meant her father of whom I know nothing- not even his last name, Clara's husband George E. Stewart, died in 1905)**

[ My grandfather told me once that his mothers father lost many sheep and his property in a big flood down south. He did not tell me his name. We do not know his name but she may have been raided by a Summerville. Her Son Walter Mann did a study on this but all of his work was thrown out in the trash by his second wife after he died. We do not know about her family. Dr Prior found a reference to the name Reed in his research but he got to a dead end also.]

Wedns 17 A cold air. Froze quite hard last night. The boys husked 13 rows of corn on the hill & 2 shocks for E.B.

Jen-s I was not fit to work in the P.M I got out a bush of potatoes & Vie & I went to Town in the after-n.

Paid Ed Otis for trade, flour & groc 2.25

Butter.18prib,Pork.07SugarL.B.05 I **got a pair of mule skin gloves.30 cts**

Thurs 18 Quite chilly the boys were husking for E. B.

Jennings I was not fit to work. done the chores etc

Frid 19 Quite mild. The boys husked all day for E. B.

Jennings. I helped them in the after-n. The boys drove over

to C. B. Jamesons this eve  
Sat 20 A fine day. George & I drew 3 loads of stalks this  
fore-n, & one this P.M when Emory wanted his horse & we had  
to quit. We husked an hour or so toward eve

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Paid for Prtg, Envelopes etc .25  
Sab 21 A fine day. We were out to Church Services mornng & eve  
Mon 22 **NOVEMBER 1897** Cold & cloudy. I helped Vie in the fore-n. Picked up  
on the new ground in the after-n George com-ed plowing on  
new ground broke his point in the after-n Went to Town after  
one Paid for flour meat butter etc 2.15

We **helped George dress 14 ducks this eve**

Tues 23 Quite a snowstorm about 2 oc this mornng when George  
& Clyde Jameson started for Bay City with their ducks George  
**sold 53 lbs for .07 1/2 pr lb I was covering celery**  
spliting wood etc. Went to the train for Clara this after-n.  
She was there Paid Ed Otis for trade .35

Wedns 24 Froze quite hard last night. We borrowed a wagon riged up &  
drewed 5 loads of wood off the new ground

Thurs 25 National Thanksgiving A dark rainy day. George & I attended  
Church Services Paid Ed Otis for Butter etc .50

Frid 26 A dark rainy day I was over to R.J. Jamesons & **castrated 27 shoats &**  
helped about ringing them he is Dr to the same .50

he is Cr by cash on note 5.00

Reed this money from George

Sat 27 A pleasant day but a cold air. Thawed in the after-n. We were plowing  
& **loging on the fallow**

Sab 28 Pleasant but quite a cold air. We were out to Church Service mornng & eve

Mon 29 A cold wintery day We were visiting, piling wood at the house, doing chores, etc

Tues 30 A cold chilly wind We spent the day visiting Vi &

I were up Town in the after-n Paid Ed Otis for flour .65

Pek(?) .29 Sugar .25 1.19

Dr. Leroy Lewwis Cr by specks for Vie 5.00

he is Dr to cash on the same 2.00

I am to pay the ball as I can within a year

#### DECEMBER 1897

Wedns 1 Quite cold & wintery George took Clara up to the train this mornng.

He went hunting in the after-n. I was fixing chicken coop, doing chores etc

Thurs 2 A nice winter day We riged up team wagon etc drewed to loads of stalks in A.M  
making 6 small loads in all

Frid 3 A dark cloudy day wind east. We were choreing in the fore-n **George was at School**  
& I was up Town in the P.M Paid for trade at several places 1.30

Sat 4 Rain & mist from the east the most of the day Thurston & I were

**fixing up the hen houses** for winter etc George helped E B Jennings drive cattle up to Fairgrove

Sab 5 Cloudy & threatened storm but did not Vie & the boys attended Church

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There was no services this eve

Mon 6 Cloudy & windy with mist toward evening I was helping wash in fore-n **worked on chicken house**  
in P.M George & Joe Campbell were looking for work in the fore-n We covered the potato pit this eve

Tues 7 A fine day, We **covered the Beet pit** & took up the ball of a 6 bush pit of potatoes  
besides 2 bush saved when diging Vie & I attended L.M.S at Rbt McLuneys this after-n

drive up to Town this eve Paid Ed Otis for trade 1.16

Wedns 8 Thawed some today. George & I were up to West Johnsons to **look at a cow &**  
**get the horse shod** in the fore-n. Paid for shoeing 1.00

George went over to Thos Mitchelis & I worked at the hen coop in the after-n

Thurs 9 A fine day. George went to the swamp with F. Bedell & I finished up the chicken coop

Emory Jennings & I settled up all acct's to this date this

evening. House rent paid till Jan 1 1898. 1

done work for him up to corn husking to the amt of 14.93

His bill against me for work 1.50

We husked corn for him to the amt of 18.05  
 He paid George on husking 7.00  
 Husk amt (?) 24.00  
 We husked bush at .03 pr bush 32.98  
 & bush on the hill at .02 1/2 @ and boarded ourselves 32.50  
 my due recd pay .48  
 Frid 10 A rainy dull day We were tinkering Etc Settled up  
 accts Etc with RJ Jameson Recd of him 100.50  
 ball due on work & on a note given for \$ 1 00.00 Feb 20th He is to pay John Luther  
 for 4 bush of oats borrowed of him & let me have 2 bush besides.  
 George went up to West Johnson after a cow bargained for last Wednesday mornng  
 She will be 4 years old this coming spring. Paid for her 26.00  
 Sat 11 Cloudy but not stormy George Plowed this fore-n broke his point just at noon  
 Went to Mill in the after-n I was up Town & cleaned the Church in the  
 fore-n Was **grubing stumps** in the P.M I paid for trade this fore-n .95  
 George paid for 25 lbs Buck flour .50  
 for 125 lbs of Buck wheat shorts .50  
 Sab 12 A pleasant day but terrible roads. Us men folks attended Church  
 Services on foot  
 Mon 13 A pleasant day Geo plowed south of the orchard. I was grubing in the  
 fore-n. Up Town in P.M Sent a P.O money order for 2.00  
 to the Christian Herald of N.Y for the paper for a year & a copy of Minion (?) type Bible  
 Tues 14 A dark day with squalls of mist. George was plowing by the orchard. I  
 was helping Vie paper the kitchen  
 Wedns 15 Cloudy but not stormy I was plowing by the orchard George was **firing [attending stove]**  
 at the Church until 2 oc. Mr Annible killed a pig apiece toward eve  
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 Our shoat dressed 105 lbs  
 Thurs 16 Cold & cloudy with a very strong S W & W wind George was up to Town in &  
 I plowed in the fore-n. George plowed & I picked up stone & trash & **recovered the celery**  
 Finished plowing the orch-d place  
 Frid 17 Quite cold with snow till abt 3 p.m George was at  
 School & helped R J Jameson butcher 3 hogs in the after-n  
 Recd pay for the same .35  
 Sat 18 Quite fine overhead but quite cold. I was **cleaning barrel & salting meat**  
 in the fore-n. Went to Town & ground two axes in the afternoon  
 Paid for trade at several places .40  
**Paid Hall Gaylord today to send for the Detroit Free Press The twice week edition 1.00 [Dec 1897 ]**  
 Sab 19 A pleasant day Us men folks were out to **Church on foot, to rough to drive**  
 Mon 20 Cloudy with snow in the mornng & squalls of snow & mist through the  
 day George was up to Town in the fore-n I helped Vie about the wash-g  
 Paid for flour & midlands 1.05  
 Thurs 21 A fine winter day I was up to Town in the fore-n  
 We were cutting wood in P.M Paid for 60 lbs Cammaille .41  
 Paid Ed Otis for trade .50  
 Wedns 22 Pleasant but quite cold. We done the chores & **tinkered for our selves & neighbors**  
**[he sometimes helped his neighbors] [ CHRISTMAS 1897 ]**  
 Thurs 23 Quite mild in the fore-n. A very strong west & N wind with squalls of snow in the after-n.  
 I went up to Town in the after-n. Pd Ed Otis for trade .53  
**Attended Christmas Tree at the School house this eve Miss Anna Scranger teacher [Dec 1897 ]**  
 Frid 24 The coldest night so far this winter George went to Annibles to do chores for  
 a couple of weeks (this after-n) I was helping the women  
 Sat 25 Cloudy & quite cold & windy in the mornng. quite mild in the eve.  
 C. B Jamesons family kept Christmas with us  
 Sab 26 Pleasant but quite wintery . Part of us attended Church services  
 Mon 27 Not stormy but quite wintery. The boys went to draw a load of wood  
 for Rev Sproull I was up town. Sent a P O Money order for 3.00  
 to a Mr Saunders of Lansing to pay annual dues & assessments  
 on **Bro George's life insurance policy in the knights of the**  
**grip Company** Bro George is Dr to the same 3.00

Paid J. S Wylie for 25 lbs flour. 65 Screen-g.20 .85

**Thurston received a nice clock watch today for selling blaine**

Tues 28 A pleasant day Thurston & I drew wood & manure. **George was away canvassing for the Farm & Fireside & the Ladies Home Companion**

Wedns 29 Thawed some today. Cloudy with squalls of snow & mist. Thurston & I were doing chores etc. I drove up Town in the after-n Pd Ed Otis for Sugar.25 Stockings 2 pair.20 1/2 bush

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Potatoes.25oil.10Tobacco.05 .85

Thurs30 Thawed considerable today. I was splitting wood cleaning out chicken coops etc George was out toward Caro canvassing for Farm & Fireside & Womens Home Companion He sold 4 copies today & 4 Tues & 2 copies one afternoon before

Frid 31 Quite a rough wintery day The **most of us were about sick with heavy colds.** George took **E B Jennings mare home this eve**

#### JANUARY 1898

Sat January 1 st 1898 Pleasant but a very frosty N wind Geo was cleaning up the Church Thurston & I were **repairing the stable & doing chores** etc

Sab 2 A pleasant day overhead but frosty & a very strong S west wind George & I attended Church

Mon 3 Quite mild George was away canvassing for papers. **Thurston was at School. [now 13 1/2]**

I helped Vie wash in the fore-n Went to Town with Joe Campbell in the aftern. Pd Ed Otis for Rub Socks.50 Shirting.27 Tob.06 .83 Pd Adams for **Artic rubbers** 1.75

For a **pair of pants for Thurston** .60

**These rubbers are guaranteed not to crack and to do good Service**

Tues 4 A fine day thawed slightly George was canvassing Vie & I were visiting at Mr McQuarters Home abt 4 oc

Wedns 5 A pleasant day but cold air. The sun thawed some. George canvassed part of the day. I helped Chas Hall thresh clover seed 1/2 day Reed pay .50

He had II 1/2 bush of seed off 6 acres

**Paid for cough Syrup for Mother** .25

Thurs 6 A fine day. thawed some Walter Jameson and George were out to Caro I was up to Jas Cofields & castrated 11pigs & shoats this morng Recd .25

Paid for medicine for Mother .25

Frid 7 A fine day. **George & Mother are sick with heavy colds.**

I was up Town in the fore-n. Pd Ed Otis for trade .39

Paid Fred Biles for I lb coffee. 15 & Tob.06 .21

Paid Geo Aldrich for 2 lbs of nails .05

Sat 8 A fine day. George swept out the Church this A.M I was helping around the house

Sab 9 A fine day. I staid home with Mother. The rest of the family attended

Mon 10 A pleasant day George was out canvassing I was at home nothing to do

Tues 11A fine day. I was up Town this morng Paid Ed Otis for Sug & To .37

Paid Jos Wylie for 25 lbs flour .65

and for a bag of Cammaille .50

Wedns 12 A dark cloudy day with squalls of rain.

**We attended a debate at the School house this evening**

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Thurs 13 Froze up last night cloudy today. George was up Town & swept the Church in the fore-n.

R J. Jameson's & Mr Sproull called this after-n Anders & Boyd Morrow spent the evening with us Paid Jos Wylie for a bag of feed & a bag of bran .65

Frid 14 A pleasant day George & I were **cutting & raising logs for wood**, on the fallow

Sat 15 Cloudy with snow squalls. I was up Town in P.M

Paid Ham-n Biles for trade .48

Paid Ed Otis for potatoes, cloth etc .15

Mr Annible Cr by.**70 lbs of Buckwheat**

Sab 16 A fine day. I was at home with Mother the rest attended Church Services

Mon 17 A fine day George rigged up a team & drew wood home in the log from the fallow I helped Vie wash & Geo unload

Tues 18 A fine day. George drew wood in the log. I helped unload, **repaired pig pen** etc Drove up Town this eve

Paid Hamelton & Co for trade this eve .32  
 Wedns 19 A fine day. George drew wood this fore-n We ground his axe &  
 I rode up to Town with Jas Elliot in P.M **Attended a literary meetg** at the **Hinson S House**  
 this eve Mrs Annible & Mrs R.J. Jameson spent the eve  
 with Mother Paid Mr Annible for 24 lbs of salt .08  
 Thurs 20 Rained the latter part of the night & fore-noon with squalls of rain in P.M  
 We done the chores & chatted with several of the neighbors that called  
 Frid 21 A dark cloudy day George & John Foster were cuting wood for Rbt Foster.  
 I was cuting wood at the house with the bucksaw, cleaning chicken houses etc **Thurston at School**  
 Sat 22 A damp chilly air & cloudy. Com-ed snowing from the N.E about 3 1/2 oc  
 George was cuting wood at Mr Fosters Thurston & I were up to Town & cleansed the Church  
 in the fore-n Was cuting wood repairing & cleaning pig  
 pen in the P.M Paid for 25 lbs flour in the sack .65  
 Paid for 4 1/4 lbs Sugar.25 Tob. 10 .35  
 Sab 23 A very rough stormy windy day Wind in the west  
 There was none of us to Ch  
 Mon 24 A fine day George was cuting wood at Rbt Fosters. I  
 was cuting wood at the house & doing other tink-g  
 Recd of George cash 2.00  
 Tues 25 Cloudy with wind from the N. East. Com-ed snowing & blowing  
 about 2 P M George helped John Foster cut heading bolts until stopt by the  
 storm. I drove out to Caro to get Mother some medicine but failed  
 Pd the druggist for 2 vials .50  
 He is to order & have it sent to Fairgrove to my address  
 Paid Himelhoch for Rub Shoes 2.00  
 I got these for George & they guarantee them to do good ser-e  
 Paid for Rubbers for Vie .35  
 Discount on the same .10

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Paid for 2 lbs 10ozcrackers.20 Oil. 10 .30  
 Paid for a bag of Cammaille.52 Bran. 1 5 .67  
 Paid for horse in the feed barn .10

Wedns 26 Jan 1898 Pleasant for winter George was helping John Foster cut bolts in the fore-n  
**Getting ready for Lycerum in P.M I was doing chores sawing wood etc Mary Jameson &**  
**Mrs Sproull spent the evening with Mother & I The family attended the Lycerum**  
 Thurs 27 A fine winter day George helped John Foster cut bolts I rode up Town with  
 Jas Elliot this after-n Paid Jos Wylie for **a bag of midlings .50**  
 Pd for repairing stove rod & trade .12  
 Thurston went home with 0. Hun-g  
 Frid 28 A dark cloudy day with heavy snow squalls Geo was helping John Foster cut bolts  
 part of the day. I done the chores & helped Vie paper & clean the pantry  
 Sat 29 A fine winter day The boys attended a party at the home of Miss Loranga's last night.  
 They got home between 4 & 5 this mornng I was helping Vie paper etc  
 Sab 30 Quite wintery with snow in the evening George & I attended Church Services mornng  
 & eve Cousin Andy Morrow came home with us this evening  
 Mon 31 A rounq wintery day. We done the chores & visited with Cousin Andy  
 Walter Jameson came for him this evening

### FEBRUARY 1898

Tues I Very cold & windy from the north the roads are drifting badly in  
 places. done the chores  
 Wedns 2 Cold & wintery Ther 5 deg above zero at 4 P.M in Caro I went to  
 Caro with Doc Winchell to witness on the worth of the Dougherty estate but  
 did not serve Paid for medicine for Mother .25  
 Paid for 20 lbs of rib meat 1.00  
 Found Mother quite sick this eve  
 Thurs 3 Sunshine but a strong frosty S. W wind George went to Town I was helping  
 Vie & looking after Mothers comfort  
 Paid for flour.65 Groceries.42 1.07  
 Frid 4 Some 2 or 3 in of snow fell last night. wind south & thawed some. I was helping  
 Vie wash & wait on Mother Rose Jameson was here a while Mary Jameson and children

were here & spent the eve

Sat 5 Thawing with wind South this morn. Wind changed to the North & colder towards noon

George was helping Campbell Bro I was up Town this afternoon Paid Hamilton & Biles

for a pair of **Jersey pants \$1.25 Cloth. 14**

**1/2 bush Potatoes .30** 1.69

Paid Jos Wylie for a **bag of shirts .60 Bran.21** .81

Paid Ed Otis for **1 gal of Oil .10**

Padi A. Bond for Swamp Root for Mother .50

Elmer Jamesons folks spent the evening here

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Sab 6 A pleasant day The boys were out to S S & Pray-r M I was helping take care of Mother

Mon 7 A fine day thawed some. We were cuting wood at the house filing the

saw shoveling out the wood pile, etc

Tues 8 A fine day a light shower this morn. George was helping Walter Jameson cut wood. I was at various things, over to Mr Campbells etc

Wedns 9 A fine day. Thawed quite fast the Agent of C. J Ludlow of Piqua Ohio was here yesterday and made arrangements with me to try **canvassing for their Nursery stock**. I am to

receive .25 per cent for selling. They are to pay postage on reports & also for my dinner & horse feed if I can pay it in stock I was up to Fairgrove today prospecting for territory to work but failed to make any sales Mrs Sproull spent the eve here

**Attended debate at the S S this eve** Thurs 10 Thawed quite fast with rain about 9 1/2 oc E.B Jennings spent the fore-n here. George helped John Foster until drove in by the rain I was spliting & cuting wood in P.M

Frid 11 Cloudy but dry in the fore-n Rainy in P.M George was cuting bolts for Rbt Foster. I was out trying to sell fruit trees in the fore-n. Sold three apple trees to Jas Foster

Sat 12 Colder this morn. with light sprinkles of snow. George **was cuting bolts** for Rbt Foster Thurston & I was cleaning Church & up to Town this morn. Mr Wylies folks were here & spent the day with us

Paid Ed Otis for trade .50

Paid Hamelton & Biles .14

Sab 13 A pleasant The boys attended S.S & P Meet-g

Mon 14 A pleasant day but cold air. I was helping Vie wash cleaning hen house etc George was out canvassing for nursery stock but did not sell any

Tues 15 A cold rough day with a strong N wind We **done the chores & kept fires** Geo was at Town this evening

Paid Ed Otis for 24 lbs flour .65

Wedns 16 A cold chilly wind George was away in the fore & **helped cut wood** at R J Jam in P.M **Attended Literary this eve** Took the sow to Mr Campbells this eve

Thurs 17 A cold chilly wind cloudy the most of the day with rain in the eve.

We were at home reading & study-g

Frid 18 Quite a chilly N. E wind & stormy like this morn. but faired up toward noon. Warmed up & rained through the night turned cold & froze before morn. Walter Jameson staid with George last night He went home with him this morn.

Thurston & I were out to Caro this after-n. Pd Mr Wescot for

**a pair of boots for Thurston 2.00**

Paid Myron Himethoch for **a pair of pants for Thurston (Jersey) 1.10**

**Paid for 3 collars (turndown) for Thurston.13**

**Paid for three collars for myself .12**

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Paid for 1 00 lbs Can-ile .80 Bean.21 1.01

Paid for Sugar.25 other notions .25 .50

Sat 19 A cold chilly east wind. George was at E B Jen-s I was out trying to sell Fruit trees Sold 3 apples & I Quince

Pd Jos Wylie for a bag of bran .25

Paid for seting a shoe on horse .12

Recd of Fred Biles in trade for pants ste .65

Sab 20 Snowed some through the night with light squalls through the day The boys attended P.M & S.S

**Mon 21 A strong N wind through the night & today with snow some 10 or 12 inches fell. We done the chores**

Tues 22 Mild but cloudy I rode over to Akron with Annible this fore-n then worked to the west

& S canvassing Put up with Eli Martin for the night Took an order for 12 apple trees of John Hickey

Wedns 23 A pleasant day I gave Mrs Martin a bill for **2 Rasp Berry bush** for lodging & board.

Came south to Gilford then toward home Sold E H Tuffell 12 apple trees **Attended Debate this evening.**

The east & west roads are drifted full from the storm of Mon  
Thurs 24 Cloudy with squalls of snow. I was at home doing the chores etc I  
was up Town in the after-n Pd Ed Otis for trade .43  
did not sell any trees today Paid West Johnson for W. **Bramah Rooster .50**  
Frid 25 A pleasant day until eve when it turned colder with light snow squalls I  
was up Town this fore-n Paid Ed Otis for trade this m .38  
Paid Hamilton & Biles for 12 lbs meal .15  
Sold Louis Staub 2 apple trees George & Frank Bedell returnd from Bay City this eve  
have been away since Wedns mornng Cousin Mary spent the evening with us.  
The young folks at R.J.J  
Sat 26 A fine day. I was away canvassing but did not make a sale.  
George helped R J Jameson in the P.M Pd for Expressage on Med for Mother .30  
Sab 27 A fine day. Thawed some. the men folk were out to S.S & Prayer Meeting  
Mon 28 A fine day. George & Walter Jameson were drawing stalks from Jake Leighmans  
I was at home in the fore-n. Was out canvassing in the after-n  
Sold nothing Paid Jos Wylie for a bag of shirts .65  
Paid E Otis for Flour Sugar Bufter & Oil 1.10  
Mrs Parker & Mrs Cameron were here & spent the day visiting

### MARCH 1898

Tues 1 A fine day. but a chilly air. George was runing around this fore-n & Walter helped  
Elmer Jameson I was at home doing chores etc George went home with Walter this eve  
Wedns 2 A fine day. George Vie & I attended Missionary meeting at  
Mrs Geo Gordons **Attended Debate this evening**

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Thurs 3 A fine day. I was out in the Cyclone Dist west & S of Fairgrove canvassing  
1. but failed to get an order. Stopt at Harry McDonalds for dinner Came back that way &  
stopt with them for supper & lodging Frid 4 A fine day I castrated some I 5 shoats for  
H. McDonald this mornng. Started out canvassing but failed to sell anything Got home about 1 oc in the after-n  
Sat 5 A fine day. Was at home spliting wood & choreing George helped Frank  
Bedell cut wood 1/2 day Cleaned out the Church this aft I was up Town  
this evening Paid Ed Otis for trade this eve .42  
Sold John Wise 5 apple trees at .25 @  
Sab 6 A fine day. Thurston staid with Mother. The rest of us were out to S. S & Preaching  
Mon 7 A fine day. George helped Vie about washing in the fore-n. I helped E B  
Jennings butcher 10 spring shoats & hogs .75  
The 10 weighed 1205 pounds at \$4.55  
Tues 8 A fine day George went to Bay City with John Pike He took 5 July  
roosters & 2 pullets Weighed 42 lbs Sold at .06 live wt 2.52  
I helped Elmer Jameson cut timber to haul for wood Dr .75  
Wedns 9 Did no freeze last night thawed very fast today George went to Caro with Walter Jameson.  
I was up Town in P.M Paid Jos Wylie for a bag of bran .28  
Paid E Otis for trade Grocer etc 1.75  
Thurs 10 A rainy day. Fog & rain the most of the time We done the chores & read Attended the debate last night  
Frid 11 A **dark cloudy day with rain** in the fore-noon colder & dry in the afternoon

### We were at home readng etc

Sat 12 Colder but not freezing George helped R J Jameson cut wood.  
Thurston & I cut wood in the fore-n I was up Town & **cleaned the Church**  
in the P.M Paid Ed Otis for trade .52  
I sent a P 0 to Clyde N Y for seed fee  
Sab 13 Rained through the night. Quite a sleet on the trees this mornng Faired up before noon  
George was out to S.S & Preaching  
Mon 14 A fine day. George helped cut wood for R J Jameson. I helped Vie wash in the fore-n  
Was spliting wood in the aftern  
Tues 15 Pleasant in the fore-noon A light fall of rain after 3 P.M I was cuting &  
spliting wood in the fore-n Was over to D. Kings & to Fairgrove in the  
afternoon Paid Ed Otis for trade this eve .35  
Wedns 16 A fine day **I took George to Watrousville Station this mornng** to go to  
Southfield **in pursuit of work.** Paid at Watrousville for Flour etc .88  
Took a job ditching of E B Jennings for tile at. 12 1/2 @ rd  
We **attended debate this eve**

Thurs 17 Pleasant but quite cool, I was at John Kirks &  
tagged 53 sheep, recd for the same .75  
Went up to Town afterwards Paid Ed Otis for trade .54  
1 also paid Orvill Jameson for George for trade .50

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R I Jamesons folks spent he eve here

Frid 18 Pleasant in the fore-n Rainy in the after-n **I took a heavy cold with chill & fever** last eve.

**Was not fit to work** today. Mr Faulkners house I m W & 1/2 S of Fairgrove was burnt last evening

Sat 19 Rainy this mornng Faired up & warmed up after sunrise, Showery in  
P.M I tagged 25 sheep for Jos Elliot this after-n Recd for the same .38  
Paid Jos Wylie by Thurs for feed .35  
He also paid Ed Otis for butter .27

Sab 20 A fine day. Thurston & I were out to Church on foot John & Andy

Morrow came home with us to stay all night

Mon 21 Rained through the night- showery & wet this morning faired up about 9 oc when  
I commenced ditching for E.B. Jennings I am to receive. 12 1/2 cts pr rd & board myself. the  
**ditch to be 2 1/2 ft deep** He is to level the bottom & lay the tile & fill I worked about 1/2 day ditching

Tues 22 Pleasant till nearly night when it com-ed raining from the north. I ditched part of the fore-n.

Went to Town in the after-n. Pd Ed Otis for trade 1.00

Wedns 23 Flurries of snow last & froze quite snug but not enough to hold up a  
wagon on the roads. I was up to John Millers & tagged 16 sheep this morn. Recd payt .25

**I was studying for debate** in P.M

Thurs 24 Mar 1898 Froze again last night cool & cloudy today I was ditching after Nine oc Thurston  
helped part of the fore-n went to Town in the after-n Mrs King was here visiting

**We finished up our debate at the School house for the present last eve. The subject for  
consideration was Resolved that the United States should interfere between Spain & Cuba.**

**Speakers on the aff D.J. Stewart, John Kirk & Spercell.** On the neg R.J Jameson, C Stoddard &  
F Bedell. Decided for the Aff Judges. Mr Fulkerson Doc Winchell & John Cookingmaster

Frid 25 A fine day. We were ditching in the fore-n was back to the field & got a bush of potatoes  
& a bush of sugar beets also a bush of carrots for the horse in the afternoon. I spent the eve at

E. B. Jennings. Vie spent part of the after-n there. Staid & spent the evening also

Sat 26 A fine day. We were ditching in the fore-n Thurston done the chores & I was  
sweeping the Church up Town etc Rode home with Jas Elliot

Paid Amos Bond for Alcohol & Hen food .55

Sab 27 Com-ed raining in the night rainy the most of the fore-n & again this eve

I was out to S S & Preaching

Mon 28 there was a thunder storm Sat night. Rained the most of the time last

night Thurston helped Vie in the fore-n laid up with head ache in P.M I ditched 3/4 of a day

Chas Muirties house put up & sheeted except one end was blowed down with Sat nights

storm Quite a strong S wind today Tues 29 A cold air but pleasant We were ditching after 9 oc

Walter Jameson called today

Wedns 30 Froze some last nt Cold air today I was ditching Thurston was up

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Town in the fore-noon helped me ditch in the P.M

Paid Ed Otis for trade .59

Thurs 31 Froze some last nt We were ditching today

Paid Ntrs Jennings for Butter & eggss .39

A cold north wind in the fore-n Warmer in the after-n

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Frid 1 A cold air with snow squalls in the after-n We were ditching & tending

**the cow, she calved today. A bull calf, 3/4 time today**

Sat 2 A cold N wind & cloudy, with squalls of snow I

ditched 3/4 day. Thurston in the fore-n George returned from Birmingham

this afternoon I was up Town this evening Paid Jos Wylie for feed .85

Ed Otis Cr by trade this eve 2.07

Dr to cash on the same 1.50

Sab 3 Pleasant but a cold air, George & Mother at home, The rest of us at Church

Mon 4 A dark cloudy day with cold North wind **Thurston & I ditched from 8 1/2 oc until 5 this eve**

Froze all the time today

Tues 5 Pleasant & milder but did not thaw very much I was ditching. **The boys were cleaning out**



**hen roosts fixing hot beds** etc & so on Wed 6 Cloudy with a cold chilly wind.

Several heavy snow squalls this mornng.

I taged 45 sheep for And Kirk this fore-n Recd pay .68

Attended Miss Society at Mr Wylies in the after-n. We spent the eve there

Thurs 7 Quite mild. Thurston spent yester-d after-n & today at Jas Stewarts.

George was at several odd jobs. I taged 7 sheep & castrated 6 pigs & ring 9

for Rbt Cofield. Recd pay for the same .25

A Atkinson Dr to taging 4 sheep .06

Sm Brownell Dr to taging 24 sheep .40

Recd of Perry Moore for taging 31 sheep .50

Paid Ed Otis for trade this eve .42

E.B Jennings Cf by cash 2.00 **Paid for specks 1.75**

Frid 8 A fine day. The **boys were splitting wood**. George went over to C B

Jamesons this eve so as to help them Sat

Frid 8 A fine day. Recd of Jiles Oglesby .10 for taging 6 sheep.

Miles Oglesby Dr to castrating 5 shoats .10

Wm Young Dr to taging 10 sheep & cast-g a calf & several lambs .38

Taged 27 for Wm Kirk & castrated & docked his lambs. Dr to the same .50

Sat 9 Quite mild today Recd of Thos Mitchell for taging 56

sheep & castrating & docking his lambs 1.00

Mother rode over to Elmer Jamesons to spend the day Paid a

pediar at Mitchells for 3 1/2 of fish. He claimed 4 1/4 but

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failed .28

Sab 10 A fine day. Mother & Thurston at home the rest of us at S. S & Preaching

Mon 11A fine spring day I worked all day in the ditch George about 3/4 &

Thurston helped Vie in the fore-n Ditched

in P.M George was up Town this eve Pd for trade .50

Tues 12 A fine day Quite cool towards eve. Vie & George attended

Congregational Meeting in the fore-n He ditched in the after-n I ditched all day

Thurston ditched part of the fore-n would

about ball time we took to get beets & carrots in

the after-n He went to help E Jameson in the afternoon. Vie & I.were up Town in this eve.

Ret-d to S. Aldrich a spade got by George this fore-n Wedns 13 A fine day but a cool air.

George was ditching & Thurston was helping Elmer Jameson. Vie & I were out to Caro this fore-n.

I ditched in the after-n. I paid Lazzell Brothers for a warranted **ditching spade 1.00**

Paid them for a **rat trap .10**

Paid them **on a whip. 10** owe them a ball of .15

Mon 18 Sent Geo Le White of Unionville Agt for C J Ludlow a Postal Money

Order for \$1.38 ball on tree acct. I forgot to write this on the 18 so used this space

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Thurs 14 A fine day. The boys were ditching about 3/4 day. I put in all day.

**Very hard diging**

Frid 15 A pleasant day George ditched about 1/2 day & I worked about the same

**Sowed oats** 4 1/2 hours for E.B. Jennings

Sat 16 Hazy & threatened rain but did no aint to much George ditched 3/4 day.

Thurston cleaned the Church & I was **delivering fruit trees Sowed oats** 2 hours for

E. B Jennings this morning making 6 1/2 hours Dr to the same .65

The trees were all taken before noon except one bunch

I received cash on commission 1.25

Recd cash from C B Jameson .75

Recd of Alvin Miller for I doz apple trees 2.50

This last was one ordered by E H Tuffell which he failed to

take. Paid Ed Otis for 25 lbs flour.70 truck.05 .75

Sab 17 A pleasant but commenced raining in the eve The

wimen were at home the rest of us were at S.S & P M

Mon 18 A pleasant day but quite a cold east wind Geo

ditched about 3/4 day

Recd of Chas Partloe for taging 27 sheep .50

1 also castrated & docked 20 lambs

Chas Sherman Dr to tag-g 21 sheep .35  
Recd of Rbt McLuney for tag-g 5 sheep .10  
Tues 19 Rained through the night & all the fore-n. I was working on the  
potato ground in the after-n Walter came here this eve  
Wedn 20 Quite rainy in the fore-n with rain squalls in P.M George went home

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with Walter to **make a corn marker**. I was tinkering at odd jobs in the P.M  
Thurs 21 A fine day. George came home this mornng Frank Bedell & him were cutting wood at Chas Halls in P.M

Thurs 21 A fine day. I was out tagging sheep Recd of John  
Cofield for tagging 24 + board .30  
Mark Hobart Dr to tagging 18 sheep .32  
Jos Adams Dr to tagging 11sheep & cast Bull .25  
Recd of Jas Cofield for tag 11sheep & cast-g lambs .25  
Paid by George for groceries this eve .60  
Frid 22 A rainy day. I was shearing 4 sheeps & tagging 12  
for Joseph Foster. Recd .50

Sat 23 Rained some in the night. Cool & cloudy in the fore-n Cleared off this after-n  
The men folk attended a barn Raising at John Kirks in the fore-n. I  
taged 13 sheep for Rbt Foster after dinner. Dr to the same .22  
Ditched in our ditch for E.B.J the ball of the P.M

Thurston paid Ed Otis for **2 sacks flour & groc 1.55**

Sab 24 A pleasant day Thurston & Mother at home the rest of us attended Church

Mon 25 A pleasant day but a cold N wind. George was cutting wood at Charles Halls  
I was ditching for E B J **Paid for stamped En-e & tobacco .20**

Tues 26 A pleasant day a cold air from N by N east George was cutting wood at Chas Halls.  
I was ditching for E.B.J. MrSprouli called & took **tea with us**. Walter Jameson called on us this eve

Wedns 27 A heavy frost last night. A fine day. George finished the ditch for E  
B Jennings I taged sheep Recd of Orville Otis for tagging 33 sheep .55  
Recd of Jas Otis for tagging 25 sheep .38  
Recd of Steph Noble for tagging 25 sheep .38  
Came home by Town this evening Paid Ed Otis 1.05  
for 25 lbs flour.70 Sugar & B. P.35

Thurs 28 A fine day. George was working the team. Thurston & I were  
measuring ditch dug for E.B.J this mornng. & Thurston tinkered the ball of the day

Thurs 28 Measured the ditch that we have been digging for E.B. Jennings He is

Dr to 111 rds of ditching at. 1 2 1/2 @ 13.88

lie is also Dr to tagging 10 sheep .20 cts .20

I was over to Jas Elliotts **Docked & castrated 23 lambs for him** [DOCK to remove part of the tail of , to cut (as ears or a  
tail) short ]

Frid 29 A fine day. I was back to Mr Elliotts this mornng & castrated 3 year bulls & I calf He is Dr to these 2 jobs.50 I  
ditched part of the after-n **The boys were runing the country for a wagon to draw hay** drawing hay &  
returning the wagon etc Jas Elliott Cr by 1560 of hay at \$5.00 3.90

Paid Levi Hinson for weighing .20

Sat 30 Quite a frost this mornng. The boys were putering at  
various jobs. I taged 23 sheep for R. J. Jameson & cast &  
docked 27 lambs 2 pigs I calf Dr to same .50

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drove over lo C B Jamesons taged 4 sheep 01 sheared one  
.08 cts Dr to the same .16

Came home by Town Paid for trade .35

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Wedns 1 A fine day. George was helping Mr Annible cut wood, I was up Town  
in the fore-n. At several jobs in the after-n. E. B. Jennings Cr by 2 bush 5lbs  
wheat at pr bush Ed Otis Cr by Rubbers for Thurston .70

**8 1/2 lbs of granuated sugar .50**

**1 lb coffee .15 1/4 lb tea .11 Spool thread .04 .30**

Sent Nelson Bogue J Wise order of 1.87

He owes me a ball on.20 pr ct corn of 1.36

Thurs 2 A fine day. **Vie Thurston & I attended the meeting of the Farmers  
Club at the Mr Henry Millers**. George got fooled on geting there.

There was something like **140 or 150 persons present**

Frid 3 Cloudy in the mornng com-ed raining about 11oc turned to snow about noon.

George drewd 2 loads of wood to Town I in the fore-n & one toward eve.

I was **geting out potatoes geting up straw etc until stopt by the storm**

Sat 4 Pleasant with cold N wind in the mornng. Got quite cold & chilly in towards eve.

George drewd 2 loads of wood to Town Knocked out of I load by loosing the coupling bolt out of the reach I was geting up straw &

shock corn & husking some, spliting wood etc

Paid for trade at Ed Otis by George .20 , **10 cts for tobacco & . 10 for 7 lbs of onions**

Sab 5 A cold but blustery stormy day. A strong N wind & the air full of drifting snow.

There was none of us out to Church

Mon 6 Cloudy with squalls of snow. George was spliting wood on the road side

at Bishops I was doing chores & picking over beans The women helped me part of the after-n

Tues 7 A light snow with quite a strong N wind in the fore-n Quieted down in

the P.M **George was mending his shoes** The women & I were picking beans

Wedns 8 A pleasant day George drewd 3 loads of wood to Town. I finished

**picking beans in the fore-n.** Was **spliting wood & choreing** in the aftern

Thurs 9 A pleasant day. George was helping A Mcluney car hay, & piling wood

at Fairgrove, **Sold 11cords to S N Aldrich** I was canvassing for nursery stock in the

west part of this Town and the east part of Gilford Did

not make a sale, Paid D Lane for dinner & horse feed .25

Frid 10 Quite soft this mornng Com-ed raining toward eve George was up Town in the fore-n

**Went after hay** in the after-n but failed to get any. I was carrying in & husking & spliting wood etc

Sat 11 Quite spring like thawed very fast George was after hay ties fore-n but failed to get any.

I was at odd jobs in the fore-n, George & I were up to town in the after-n

**Recd of Ed Otis for 55 1/2 lbs of beans at \$ 1.00 @ .93**

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**and 4 1/2 eggs at. 11cts pr doz .49**

He is Dr to this stuff 1.42

He is **Cr by Sugar Coffee Oil & Tob .88**

he is Cr by cash to ball .54

Paid Johnson Bro for a **Jack Knife .50**

warranted to be first class

Paid Hall Gaylord for order & stamp .09

**Paid Ed Ofis for 2 lamp chinms .10**

George is Cr by **300 lbs of hay** at \$6.25 pt t .94

he is Cr by cash \$ 1.00 & .50 last Thurs 1.50

Sent Alfred Peats & Co of Chicago 1.00

for agents outfit for selling wall paper, this money to be returned when I sell \$10.00 worth of goods

Sab 12 A cold blustery day with squalls of snow.

**The roads were to bad to drive to Church & to much water to go on foot**

Mon 13 Quite rough & windy George was working at Campbells

I was **carrying water helping wash spliting wood** etc

Tuesa 14 Pleasant but a cold air George was working at Mr Campbells I was

taging sheep for And Kirk 40 head Reed pay .60

Recd of Mark Hobart for tag-g 26 sheep .50

Wedns 15 A dark cloudy day Rained through the night with light squalls today

George was helping Campbells I was **taking out potatoes & apples carrying straw** etc

Thur 16 Pleasant but a cold air, Joe Campbell was helping George cut wood for E B Jennings

I was away **taging sheep** Wm Kirk Dr to taging 22 head .40

Jas Corield Dr to tag 11head & castg pigs .25

Jos Adams Dr to taging 22 head .38

Frid 17 A dark cloudy day Wind in the east & quite chilly with a light snow George

was cuting wood at Mr Campbbells. I was over to Jas Elliots &

taged 39 sheep. He is Dr to the same .65

**Sat 18 Snowed last night & most of the mornng with some rain Wind N & colder this eve**

**We were at home today Thurston went over to C B Jamesons Sleighs were busy today**

Sab 19 Pleasant but a cold air We were all out to Church Services except Mother.

Walter Jameson came here with us

Mon 20 Quite pleasant overhead but quite a chilly wind from the N.W. I was

doing chores & splitting wood at home George was at home the most of the day  
Tues 21 Froze quite hard last night. Snowing from the S East this morn.  
Stuck to it the most of the time all day We **were keeping the stove hot the most of the time.**  
George went over to Jameson toward eve.  
Wedns 22 Pleasant in the mornng com-ed snowing Com-d snowing in the after-n  
& snowed quite hard till bedtime or after. Vie & I spent the day & eve at R J  
Jamesons Reed of Nelson Bogue on comission 1.00

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Recd of Peats & Co the paper samples  
Paid Ed Otis for a sack of flour.55 thread.04 .59  
George is Cr by Expressage on pa4xr .60  
Dr to ball cash paid him this mornng .16  
**Thurs 23 A pleasant day quite nice sleighing. Joe Campbell was helping**  
George cut wood at Chas Halls. I was choreing in the fore-n Went over to  
Doc Winchels & got 135 lbs of hay. Pd .34  
**brought a jag of wood home** with me Borrowed of Rans Tibbits  
for a short time 4 baskets of corn Pd  
Frid 24 A fine day. Thawed some in the roads. I was taking  
out some potatoes in the fore-n. Was up to Town in the after-n  
Paid Ed Otis for trade 1.00  
Jos Campbell was helping George cut wood at Chas Halls  
Sat 25 Snowed & blowed all day. Wind S East in the got round to the N in the  
eve I was choreing spliting wood etc, George was away **riging up the S House for an Exhibition Thurston at home**  
**School term closed last eve**  
Sab 26 A pleasant day. We rode to Church with R J Jamesons in the sleigh  
Mon 27 A fine day. George went to help Jas McLuney draw us some hay George is Cr by lbs hay \$5.00 pr T I **helped Vie**  
**wash** in the fore-n. **Was out canvassing for wall paper in the after-n but failed to sell any** Tues 28 Snowed the most of  
the time today. George went up Jown & was geting things ready for an Exhibition. I was at home seeing to the chores  
Wedns 29 A day of snow storm with gales of high wind George **was at the School House** I was at home on acc, of storm  
Thurs 30 A fine winter day George was at the School House I was up to Town  
doing chores etc Vie & I **attended an Exhibition at the School House this evening**  
Ed Otis Cr by a sack of flour .50  
Frid 31 Pleasant in the mornng got quite cold toward eve I was at home in the fore-n Reed of Elmer Jameson for Taging 36  
sheep in the afternoon .55 George at home & at the School etc

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Sat 1 Pleasant in the mornng freezing quite hard this eve George was at home  
today I was away canvassing for wallpaper & taging sheep Sth Brownell  
Dr to tag-g 40 head .65  
Paid Ed Otis for 1/4 lb berry pepper.04  
**The Cow calved this after-n Heifer C**  
Sab 2 A fine day. Mother & Thurston were at home. the rest of us ride with R J Jamesons  
Mon 3 A fine day. I was at home in the fore-n. Up Town in the after-n. Town  
Meeting Pd Ed Otis for trade today .45  
Paid Fred Adams for 2 yds Den-s .25  
Paid f lail Gaylord P.O Box rent .20  
Tues 4 A fine day. George helped Frank Bedell draw hay. I

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was away about 3/4 day Jas McLuney Dr to tag-g 9 sheep .18  
Rbt Cofield Dr to taging 7 sheep .13  
Recd cash of him on taging & shearing 1.00  
Andy Atkinson Dr to tag 8 sheep .15  
Cr by cash on the same .10  
Wedns 5 A fine day. We attended the L.M.S. at Rev Sproulls. Turned it into a surprise party  
We presented them with a purse containing \$40.00 besides provisions  
George spent the day at Fairgrove **helping fix up for an Exhibition**  
Thurs 6 A fine day. Thawed fast the last 2 days. George  
spent the day at Fairgrove. I was away canvassing for wall  
paper Paid Fred Adams for I gal oil .10  
I le is Cr by 24 1/2 lbs of flour .50  
Frid 7 Cloudy with quite a chilly N wind. George was at

Fairgrove in fore-n. I was away canvassing for wall paper  
Sold Mrs Frank Arnold a bill of 3.04  
Sold Fred Adams (yesterday) a bill of 14.00  
Sold Mrs Cyrus Hunsperger a bill of 3.10  
Mrs Elizabeth Husperger a bill of 1.51  
Sold these last 3 orders yesterday

Sat 8 A chilly air & cloudy George was up Town & at home I was canvassing in the fore-n  
At home in the afternoon Borrowed of Chas Hall 3 bask of Corn

Sab 9 A pleasant spring day quite a cold wind this mornng George is **down with the mumps**  
**Vie is having chills with fever** I was out to Sab School & Preaching

Mon 10 A fine spring day Thawed quite fast. **George was quite sick all night,**  
better this fore-n I was choreing in the fore-n was up Town & canvassing in the after-n.  
Sent Alfred Peats & Co of Chicago a P.0 Money order for 13.67

My commission was for selling was 7.98  
making full amt of sale \$21.67 Paid for money order & postage .15

Tues 11 Rainy looking this mornng. but did not amt to much till after-n, when  
**we got quite a thunder shower & rained** the most of the afternoon

Wedns 12 A fine day. I was out to **Watrousville & South to the Depot** trying to sell  
paper but did not as the most of the Ladies were away to aid Society

Thurs 13 A light fall of rain through the night. A very warm after-n. I was away  
canvassing for wall paper. Took dinner at Mr Nobles.

Sold Mrs Jos Davison a bill of paper Amt 1.60

Put up at Fred Kintners for the night as she was away

Frid 14 A light shower last night instead the night before.

I sold F Kintner a bill of Wall Paper amounting to 12.81

Drove from there to Gilford canvassed by the way. Came home by John Cofields &  
**taged 14 sheep & cast 8 shoats** Dr to the

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same .35

Sal 15 A fine day. turned quite cool toward eve, with rain after sundown I was  
out to Thos Mitchells & **taged 44 sheep & docked & cast-d 53 lambs**

Recd payt .85

Thurston paid for trade at Town 1.00

Paid Rbt Ray for medicine yester-d .25

Sab 16 A fine day. Thurston was out to Church. Vie & I could not go at

**George was so sick we could not leave Was bad off all day yesterday Fever with vomiting**

Mon 17 A fine day. I was up to Dr Handies this mornng to get

some medicine for George Paid for it .50

Took up some potatoes etc etc

Jas McLuney Cr by 1/2 ton of hay 2.50 he delivered it to me this morning

[TELEGRAM]

Tues 18 A warm spring day. I was away canvassing for wall paper. Drove to  
Watrousville first; from there to **Mark Hobarts to carry a telegram of his Aunts death**  
Came back by way of Watrousville

Wedns 19 A Fine day. I was up Town this fore-n. Took Mother as far as Mr Clarks.

Mr Sproull came home with me. Staid till after dinner. Recd the paper from Alfred Peals & Co.

The paper had been sent to Fred Adams.

He is Cr by cash on his paper 10.00

Recd of Mrs Frank Arnold for paper 3.04

Recd of Mrs Cy Krintzberger for Wall paper 3.10

Recd of Mrs C. Krintzberger for " paper 1.50

I delivered the paper to these parties Thurston went to Town

this after he paid for trade at Town 1.15

Thurs 20 A line day but quite cool this morn. I was away

canvassing for paper potatoes etc Took dinner at Harry

Fox's S. of Watrousville. Recd an order of him of 1.00

for 10lbs potatoes from E.C Brown Recd of Gli

Pettingill an order for 1.00

worth of potatoes from E.C. Brown I allowed Mr Fox for dinner & horse feed .25

I sent Alfred Peals & Co of Chicago (yesterday) a P. 0 Money order for 9.22

My commission on the same 5.19  
making full amt of sale \$14.41 Postage & Money order .13  
Frid 21 A warm day. Recd of Rbt Foster for taging 18 sheep  
& castrating & docking 17 lambs .13

Went from there to Jos Fosters & sheared one sheep before dinner and 12 in the afternoon  
George felt so well that he went over to see Elmer Jameson  
Sat 22 Quite cold this mornng warm in the after-n & cold this eve I went over to finish shearing  
Joe-s Fosters sheep this mornng but he thought it was to cold. The boys & I drove up Town  
after I got home. They drewd 2 loads of wood this mornng Paid expressage on the 2 order of paper

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recd from the Peats Co 1.20

Took back 4 single rolls of paper from Fred Adams that were badly damaged.

He is Cr by the same 1.00

Paid Fred Adams for trade today .45

Was away delivering paper this P.M Recd of Mrs Davison this

after-n for 4 double rolls of wall paper & border 1.60

Deliverd Fred Kintners paper but he was away from home

Recd of Fred Adams ball due on paper 3.00

Sab 23 A fine day Vie & Thurston were at home. The rest of  
us was out to S.S. & Preaching

Mon 24 A fine day. I was over to Jas McLuneys this mornng Sheared 5 sheep for  
Jos Foster in the after-n making 18 head in all He is Dr to the same 1.50

At home the ball of the day Frank Bedell was here helping

George cut wood at Chas Halls

Tues 25 A fine day. I was over to Mr Nobles & Fred Kintners in the mornng.

Taged 34 head of sheep for Orvill Otis afterwards

He is Dr to the same .60

Recd of Fred Kintner for Wall paper 12.81

George com-ed working for Peter Campbell this mornng

Wedns 26 A fine day. I was shearing sheep for John Kirk

Thurs 27 A fine day. I finished shearing at J Kirks there  
was 50 head I sheared Recd pay 3.50

drove up Town this eve Paid Ed Otis for Seed Corn from Browns 1.00

Frid 28 A line day. Recd of George Partlow for shearing 19 sheep 1.68

1 1 of them were.08 pr head & 8 of them .10

Pd him for **1/2 bush of early potatoes .25**

he is to leave them at Ed Otis **Pd Fred Adams for 25 lbs flour .50**

Sat 29 A fine day. I was shearing for E. B. Jennings

Sheared 23 head Dr to the same 1.75

Thurston & I drove up town in eve

Pd Ed Otis for trade .70

Paid Rbt McLuney for hold back straps .50

Sab 30 A fine day. I was at home. The rest were out to S.S.&PM

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Mon I A nice warm shower this mron. I sheared 9 head of  
sheep for Jas McLuney taging also recd pay .80

Paid him for hay got April 17 2.50

I drove over to Watrousville in the after-n to see Dr Handie but failed

Tues 2 A fine day but a cold east wind this evening

Recd of John Ringle for shearing 22 sheep 1.75

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Wedns 3 Cool his mornng turned warmer as the day advanced

Frank Honsinger Dr to taging 11sheep .22

1 lar-n Honsinger Dr to taging 5 sheep .1(

Sheared for John Mills in the after-n Paid E Otis.25 allowed

Harry Fox for **dinner & horse feed April 20<sup>th</sup> .25**

Paid Ed Otis for **2 qts onion sets .20**

bought them this eve they are to keep for me

Thurs 4 Cloudy with two or three light showers with some thunder.

Staid with John Mills last night. Sheared 4 sheep for him this mornng

Recd pay 1.50 Got to Mr Saffords ready for business about 9 1/2 oc Sheared  
 20 head Dr to the same 1.50  
 Frid 5 A fine growing day Thurston was drawing manure Wedns, Thurs drew 4 loads &  
 Friday all day. Had Jake Leighmans old horse to work with ours I was over to  
 Jas Elliots to do a job of castrating this mornng but  
 he had it done. Cut a yearling bull for him He is Dr to the same .25  
 Sat 6 A fine day. I was working on the cellar in the fore-n Sheared 12 sheep for  
 Homer Spencer in the afternoon Recd payt 1.00  
 Thurston was up Town in P.M Vie paid Mrs Adams for a hat by Thurston 1.25  
 Sab 7 A pleasant day Mother & I were out to S S & P. Meeting. (ieo called  
 long enough to eat dinner & tell us goodbye  
 Mon 8 A fine day. I worked at the cellar in the mornng **then got a horse from E B Jen-s &**  
**went to Jus McKimeys & got a small load of hay, Hay & wagon weighed 22 1 0** Wagon Binder  
 pole chain 1260 & rope & myself 1260. I was fixing the cellar unloading hay & various things  
 The hay weighed 950 lbs at \$6.00 @ 2.85  
 Paid Jas McLuney cash on the same 2.00  
 Sth Brownell Cr by weighing hay & wagon Pd .20  
 Tues 9 A fine day. I sheared 26 sheep for Mark Hobart Recd pay 2.80  
**Chas Elliots baby buried today [May 1899]**  
 Wedns 10 A fine day rainy this eve Thurston **had Jake Leighmans old horse to**  
**draw manure.** I sheared 17 sheep for Rbt Foster today, Recd pay 1.40  
 Recd of Jos Foster for shearing 24 1.50  
 Thurs 11 A fine rain last night. A fine day. I was at home. finished the cellar Thurston  
 helped Elmer Jameson this after-n. I was up Town this eve. Vie  
 called on Mr Clarks Our spectacle man stopt with us for the night  
 Paid Ed Otis for trade this eve .75  
 Paid S N Aldrich for nail etc .12  
 Frid 12 A fine day quite windy Thurston helped Elmer Jameson I sheared 28  
 sheep for And Kirks  
 Sat 13 A fine day. Thurston at home I finished shearing at  
 Andrews Kirks this fore-n 40 in all recd pay 3.00  
 Sheared 14 for H Miller in the P.M Recd pay 1.12  
 Thurston & I were up Town this eve Paid John Barr for

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**springs for wagon box .50**

paid for trade at several places .20

Sab 14 A pleasant day but quite cold. A thin ice on water this mornng,

We were out to S S & Preaching Mother went with us

Mon I 5 A cold chilly wind but pleasant. I sheared 22 sheep

for Wm Kirk. Dr to the same 1.80

Recd of him .20 on taging 20 still to do .20

Thurston went to Wastrousville to try to sell 2.00 our potatoes but could not

Tues 16 A cloudy day with several showers. A heavy thunder  
 shower went south of us last night & it rained very hard here during the night.

Recd of Dan Parish for shearing 10 sheep .80

Sheared them & got to Wm Kinneys at II 1/2 oc Sheared 15 for

Wm Kinney in the afternoon. Recd pay for the same 1.00

**Paid Adams for 25 lbs flour.50 Tob. 1 3 .63**

**Paid the Druggist for 1/2 oz quinine .25**

Wedns 17 A dark cloudy day with several showers one a regular downpour about noon  
**Went to Jo Adams to shear found the sheep wet could not shear** R J Jameson & I staid with  
 Mr Munson Clark last night

Thurs 18 Cool & cloudy. I sheared 21 sheep for Jos Adams. Dr to the same 1.75

Thurson was seeing to things at home

Frid 19 Quite cold wind east & cloudy. I was at home in the fore-n Sheared I I  
 sheep for Jas Cofield in the after-n Dr to the same .90

Mr Bedell Cr by 3 bush corn . 18 @ .54 Thurston got it this fore-n Cow to pasture

Sat 20 Warmer today. Thurston was taking out potatoes & roots. I sheared 26  
 sheep for R J Jameson today. He is Dr to the same 2.00

Thurston & I were up Town in the eve Paid Ed Otis for trade this eve .50

Paid LeRoux for 1 1/2 lbs steak .20  
Thurston bought a suit of Clothes of Fred Adams for 4.00  
Paid him cash on the same 1.00  
Sab 21 A fine day. We were out to S.S & Preachg except Mother George was  
not with us today & only called last Sabbath  
Mon 22 A fine day. A light frost last night. I sheared 30 sheep for Sth  
Brownell Elmer Jameson was here plowing today. Cr by the same Mr  
Luthers folks were here with 2 hands & 2 teams in the after-n They are  
Cr by the same Paid Ed Otis for trade this eve .25  
Paid S.N Aldrich for a 14 qt tin pail.25 & 2 two qt Pail  
granite ware basins.25 .50  
Pd John Barr for setting 2 shoes .25  
Tues 23 A fine day. Thurston was helping Elmer Jameson I  
finished shearing for S Brownell about 10 1/2 oc 40 in all

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Recd Payt 2.70  
Sheared 12 head for Dell Broadworth in the after-n. Dr to the same 1.20  
Wedns 24 A fine day. I sheared 15 sheep for Jake Leighman Recd Pat 1.35  
Went from there to Robt Cofields did not shear  
Thirston helped Elmer Jameson 1/2 day Dell Broad Dr to 31  
bush **Mangles** .05 @ to be paid in 60 days 1.55  
Thurs 25 A fine day. Thurston at home. I was shearing sheep for Tllos  
Mitchell Sheared 32  
Frid 26 Very warm the most of the day. I sheared 15 sheep  
for Thos Mltchell this fore-n 47 in all Recd Pay 3.00  
Thurston at home Elmer Jameson & **team were here draging &  
rolling** Paid Mr Luther for the boys plowing 2.00  
Sat 27 A day of showers. We were at home in the fore-n. I was up to Town in  
the after-n. Vie stopt at Mr Clarks, Paid Ed Otis for trade 1.05  
Recd of him for 4 1/2 lbs butter. 11@ .46  
Recd of Dell Broadworth by Orvi II Jameson 1.20 for shearing last Tuesday  
**Paid Dr Hamilton for a bottle clover blossom 1.00**  
Paid Jos Wylie for a bag of bran .25  
Sab 28 A fine day. Vie & I were helping take care of Mr Clark  
Mon 29 & Tues 30 I staid with Mr Clark Sat night & Monday & Tuesday until  
eve. I slept there Mon night as it **rained so I could not get home**  
Wedns 31 Sunshine & showers I sheared 12 sheep for Mrs l.ute  
Johnson. Dr to the same . 10 per head 1.20  
Came home by Rbt Cofields Paid Ed Otis for trade this eve 1.00

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Thurs I A fine day. I sheared fifteen sheep for Rbt Cofield & Andy  
Ackison Recd for the same 1.20  
Mother spent the after-n at Mr Clarks & Vie & I attended the meeting of the Farm Club  
at Brownelis I stopt at Mr Clarks to stay all night  
Frid 2 A fine day. I staid at Mr Clarks today. Came home in eve Thurston has been seeing to things  
Sat 3 A fine day. **I was making garden.** Thurston helped part of the time at other work the ball of  
the time Vie & I called at Mr Clarks this eve Synod in session this week I paid  
R.J. Jamesons traveling expenses .90 Paid last Sat eve at Mr Clarks  
Sab 4 A fine day. **Vie & I were helping take care of Mr Clark. He died this eve  
at 20 min to Seven. Cause Dropsey & heart disease [Jun 1899]**  
Mon 5 Very warm. Thurston was draging. Had R J Jameson horse with ours.  
**I was cuting seed potatoes.** Vie called at Mrs Clarks this evening  
Tues 6 Very warm. I **was marking out corn** & potato gr-d a while in the mornng.

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**We all attended MrClarks funeral at 10 oc.** Mr&Mrs John Kirk, **Vie & I waited on  
Mrs Clark** I finished marking in the P.M Vie & I stopt at Mr Kirks took dinner with them.  
Vie spent part of the aftern there. Mrs Clark came home with her to stay all night  
Wedns 7 A warm day. We were planting corn & potatoes I took Mrs Clark  
home this mornng  
Thurs 8 A fine day. I sheared 25 sheep for Issac Brodworth.



He is Dr to the same 2.00  
Recd of Lee Johnston for shear-g by C J Otis 1.20  
Paid E J Otis for trade today & eve 1.00  
Frid 9 A fine day. C.B. Jameson Dr to shearing 8 sheep & doing up wool .80  
Recd of H Honsinger for shear-g 5 S .35  
Frank Honsinger Dr to sh-g 11 sheep .88  
Sat 10 A fine day. Thurston finished planting Potatoes last  
eve, he took out 4 bush of potatoes for H Honsinger Recd pay 1.00  
I sheared 24 for Frank Hinson Recd pay 1.90  
Sab 11A fine day. Mother Thurston & I were out to Church  
Mon 12 Very warm. A fine shower shortly before noon. I was  
at home in the fore-n Drove over to John Cofields after  
dinner to do his shearing found them sh-d **Came home &  
sowed carrots, Beets & Mangles**  
Tues 13 A fine day. Thurston **finished sowing corn planted  
beans** etc I was over to Orville Otis'es & sheared 28 sheep  
Recd for the same \$2.00 Tag.50 2.50  
Recd of H Honsinger by Ed Otis shearing 1.00  
There is a ball of .08 due me  
Paid Ed Otis for-25 lb sack of flour .50  
E B Jennings bought it for me yesterday  
Wedns 14 A nice shower last night a fine day. We were at odd jobs in the  
fore-n. Took up a pit of potatoes in the after-n  
Thurs 15 A fine day. Thurston & I were up Town in the  
fore-n. Sold Ed Otis 10 bush potatoes .30 @ 3.00  
He is Dr to cah on store acct 2.00  
Recd in trade & cash Trade.49 Cash.51 1.00  
Paid Jos Wylie for feed & meal .55  
Thurston **brought the team home & planted Pumpkins Squash** etc I stopt at  
the Church on the way home & mowed the grass in the yard & some of  
Sami Jamesons in the P.M About this time Mr Bedell is  
**Cr by 3 bush corn in ear .54**  
Dr to cash \$ 1.00

Frid 16 A fine day Vie & I were up Town this mornng, I got back to Sam'l Jamesons to mow  
about 10 oc, Mrs Cameron came home with Vie to help her paper. I got home at 5.30 eve  
I took Mrs Cameron home this eve

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Paid **Ed Otis for Cheese this eve .17**

Sat 17 A fine day. Thurston attended School picnic part of the day.  
I was hoeing garden potatoes in the mornng. Drove over to Sam'l Jamesons & raked up  
the hay toward noon. John Luther & horse helped me some 3 or 4 hours to draw the hay home  
in the afternoon. There was some 12 or 14 cwt of it

Sab 18 A fine day We were al I out to S S & Preaching George was neither at home  
or out to Church Service today

Mon 19 A fine day. A light shower last night considerable thunder & lightening  
Thurston was replanting corn I was **carrying water bating** (?)  
the cellar & hoeing in the garden

Tues 20 A fine day. **Thurston was taken sick last night had a high fever all day**

I was doing chores hoeing in the garden up Town etc

Recd of Issac Brodworth for shear-g 2.00

He left this with Edward Otis Pd Ed Otis for 25 lb flour .50

Wedns 21 A fine day. **Thurston not fit to work I was mowing in front of the house,**  
Visiting, up Town etc, Mrs Parker & Mrs King were here visiting

**Paid Fred Adams for 1 lb of Coffee .25**

Paid for trade & tinkering at several places .31

Thurs 22 A fine day. I was **hoeing in the garden sowing parsnips cuting grass**  
etc in the fore-n. Went to Town in the after-n

Paid for **Setting 2 shoes on Billy .25**

Mother rode over to Mrs Kirks with me. We staid to tea Frid 23 A fine day.

Thurston com-ed cultivating corn I was helping Jas Elliott hoe & weed his sugar beets

Sat 24 A fine day. Thursts was cultivating. I was helping Jas Elliott with beets  
 Sab 25 A fine day. I was at home, The rest were at Church  
 Mon 26 Tues 27 Two fine days. I helped Jas Elliott in Beets  
 & Thurston helped him Tues. Recd of him 5.00  
 \$1.00 of which is Thurstons Thurston was over to Mr Bedelis  
 Mon after grain lie is Cr by 2 bush oats.56 & 2 bush corn in ear.36 total .92  
 He is Dr to cash on the same .75  
 Jas Elliott Dr to ball on hay got Apr 29 98 1.00  
 Wedns 28 Cloudy with light showers & squalls of rain. We  
**were working in the garden between showers.** I was up Town  
 toward eve. Pd Ed Otis for trade .60  
**Paid Dr Hamilton for Swamp Root & Black B .75**  
 Recd of Ed Otis on check of E C Brown 1.85  
 Recd of him on check of N Bogue 1.46  
 & also a check form Alfred Peats 1.30  
 These amt ball all accts between these (3) parties & myself to date  
 Thurs 29 A fine day Vie & I were out to Caro got home shortly after 2 oc  
 Wallie Kirk came after me to help them draw hay. Helped them from 3.20  
 till 8 oc this eve, Paid C Montague for groceries

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**Paid Myron Him-k for pants for myself 1.25  
 & for a pair of shirts for Thurston .90**

**Paid for Ice Cream freezer for Chas Hall 2.50**

\$3.00 the price discounted it on acct of our bad luck in  
 getting Halls broke Pd for Linen lap robe 1.00

Paid B Himmelhock for Dry Goods 6.00

Thurston was cutting woods & hoeing

Frid 30 Sat 1 Two fine days. I was helping John Kirk draw  
 hay He is Dr to 2 1/4 days work \$1.25 @ 2.85

Thurston was cultivating & hoeing crops

### **Rbt Kirk, John Kirks was married to a Miss Thurs after-n [Jun 1899]**

They had a fine reception for them at Mr Kirks Frid eve,  
 I attended as I was there working that day

### **JULY 1899**

Sab 2 A fine day. We were out to S School & Preaching

Mon 3 A showery day. Sunshine & showers with 2 or 3 light spurts of rain  
 Thurston cultivated corn & potatoes I helped Vie about washing in the fore-n.

Mowed some & hoed some in the after-n. Drove up to Town in the  
 eve. Paid Jos Wylie for 50 lbs feed & a bag of bran .65

Paid Ed Otis for groceries Oil etc .40

Paid Dr Hamilton for Oil Meal & drugs .35

& LeRoux for 2 lbs beef .18

Mrs Johm Cameron Dr to 10 lbs butter in a I gal crock. 11@

Tues 4 Rainy like this mornng a fine shower about noon with light spurts in the after-n George  
 staid with us last night. the first since he com-ed work. The boys spent the day at Vassar

Mrs Clark spent the day with us Thurston came to Watrousville this eve then walked home

Wedns 5 An **old fashioned rainy day nearly an all days rain.** We **spent the time in the house watching it.**

The first soaking since the laast of May '

Thurs 6 A fine day I was **mowing weeds around the house & grass in the orchard,**

Thurston was at odds & ends. We drove up to Town in the afternoon Paid for trade at Town .50

Frid 7 A fine day. Had a heavy rain last night & this mornng. Jas Stewarts family

were **here picking cherries** Thurston went home with them I helped E B

Jennings bunch hay from 3 oc P.M until 8 oc in eve 4 1/2 hr .50

Drove up to Town this eve Pd for 8 1/2 lbs Sugar .50

**Left a bunch of cherries** for Ed Otis to sell

Sat 8 Rained last night & this mornng. Fair in the after-n I **put up the grass  
 into one comer of the Cider Mill** this fore-n so as to get in some more.

Drove up to Town after Thurston this eve.

Recd of a stranger & other for a bush of cherries .90

Paid Ed Otis for I lb 4oz of cheese .12

Sab 9 A fine day. Thurston at home the rest of us at Church  
Mon 10 A fine day. I took Vie out to Dr Handiy's this morn  
got home about 9.30 Paid for med-e .50

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I worked in the garden the ball of the fore-n Helped E B  
Jennings hay it from 1 oc until 10 oc in eve.  
Called it 8 hr 1.00

Tues 11 A fine day. Thurston was **out picking R Berries** in  
the fore-n Took Mother up to Mr Sproulls in P.M  
I helped E B Jennings in haying Dr to 1.25  
Vie spent the day with Mrs Jennings Pd by Thurston for flour  
.5 0 Sugar etc .5 0 1.00

Wedns 12 A pleasant day. Thurston was **out picking Berries** with Rev Sproull in the fore-n.  
Cultivated corn & potatoes part of the after-n I **helped** E B Jennings **hayng** Dr to the same 1.00

Thurs 13 A dark showery day with rain through the night & light showers in the fore-n.

Vie & I were out to see **Dr Handy in the after-n. Paid him for med-e .50 [HALF OF HIS EARNINGS TO PAY THE DOCTOR]**

Reed in trade for 4 1/2 doz eggs .54 cash to ball . I 1 .65

Frid 14 A pleasant day. Thurston was working in corn & potatoes etc. **I was mowing in the graveyard for E.B J** Dr to the same 1.25

**Lizzie was here helping Vie sew** Mrs Clark spent part of the day here

Sat 15 A showery day no sun scarcely. Thurston cultivated part of the day.  
I was **setting up & grinding cradle** etc for E B Jennings in the fore-n was cutting  
& **shocking wheat for him** in the after-n Dr to the same 1.25

Lizzie was helping Vie sew Paid her **for 2 days sewing** 1.00

Sab 16 A fine day Mother & I were out to S S & Preaching

Mon 17 A fine day. Thurston helped Vie wash in the fore-n was up to Town &  
choreing in P.M I was **cutng hay** for EBJ Dr to 1.25

John Kirk Cr by cash paid Thurston 2.00

He paid for feed & trade .90

Tues 18 A fine day. Thurston was **spraying potatoes.** Took **the cow over to**  
John McCreedy etc I helped E B Jennigs harvest Dr to 1.25

Wedns 19 A fine day. Thurston was away **weeding sugar beets.**

I was **harvesting for E B Jennings** Dr to same 1.25

Thurs 20 A fine day. I **helped E B Jennings harvest** in the aftern & **put tip hay**  
**for him in the cemetry** in the after-n Dr to the same 1.25

Thurston was away weeding Beets

Frid 21 A fine day. I **was at home cutng grass etc.** Drove up to Town this eve.

Paid Ed Otis for 25 lbs flour.50

Coffee.15 Fish.28oil.10Celery.05Tob.10 1.08

Thurston was **weeding beets** for W John-s

Sat 22 Very warm. I helped **John Kirk draw wheat & barley**

He is Dr to the same 1.35

Recd of him cash to ball accts 2.25

Paid for trade at Ed Otises .42

Paid F. Bosworth for a hat .20

Thurston was weeding beets at W J

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Sab 23 A very warm day the women & I attended Church George stopt long  
enough to eat dinner

Mon 24 Very warm. I helped E B Jennings draw & stack wheat

He is Dr to the same 1.25

Tues 25 Rained through the night & early mornng. I **hoed in the garden** after  
10.30 Thurston was away visiting Paid for trade at Town by Thurston .25

Wedns 26 A fine day. I worked in the garden in the fore-n Helped E B Jennings  
**draw wheat** in the after-n He is Dr to the same .63 Thurston was cultivating corn

Thurs 27 A fine day Thurston **sprinkled potatoes** in the fore-n Cultivated in the  
aftern I helped E B Jennings finish drawing wheat in the fore-n Dr to the same .63

I was **hoeing & weeding sugar beets** P.M Mrs Jake Lehman  
spent the day here sewing yesterday. Pd her for same .50

Frid 28 A fine day. I helped Mr Annible **draw dirt, mow away barley draw wood** etc in the fore-n **I was taken sick at noon** Dr to work .50  
 Thurston **cultivated corn in the fore-n.** Helped Mr Annible thresh in the after-n  
 Sat 29 A fine day. **I was hoeing & weeding our field beets & carrots** part of the fore-n. **Cultivated corn & potatoes** in the after-n. Thurston helped Mr Annible thresh till 10 oc or more He is Dr to the same.75  
 Vic & I drove up Town this eve  
 paid for trade at 2 or three places 1.25  
 Sab 30 A fine day. Mother at home. The rest of us at Church Thurston was away this eve  
 Mon 31 A fine day. I was helping Mr Annible draw wheat at Mr Clarks Dr to the same 1.25  
 Thurston helped me on the stack. Dr to the same .40

#### AUGUST 1899

Tues I A fine day. I was hoeing in garden cutting weeds etc in the fore-n  
 Mowed my hay & **cleaned out the Cider Mill** in the aftr-n. Thurston took **the calf up to E B Jennings to pasture** this mornig & went C Halls and **got his shovel plow to plow the potatoes.**  
 He took the women over to Mr Kings to attend the L.M.S. in the afternoon  
 Wedns 2 A fine day, a nice breeze from the N. Thurston was weeding beets at Mr Annibles, I was plowing potatoes  
 Thurs 3 A fine day. Thurston was weeding beets at Mr Annibles I was **hoeing potatoes & drilling corn for fodder**  
 Frid 4 Very warm Thurston was hoeing potatoes, I was setting up oats for Mr annible He is Dr to the same 1.25  
 Sat 5 A fine day. We were hoeing our potatoes. Vie & I were up to Town this evening Pd Jos Wylie for **50 lbs corn meal .40**  
 Pd S.N Aldrich for **Oil stove wicks.05** Leather brush.20 Pd  
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for trade at other places .45  
 Sab 6 A fine day. Cool breeze from the N. Vie was at home the rest of us attended Church  
 Mon 7 A fine cool day Took Vie to see Dr Handy this fore-n.  
 Paid him for Med-e .50  
 We finished hoeing our potatoes this evening. Mr Annible Cr by 4 bush of wheat at \$.61 per bush 2.44  
**He took it to Mill for us** with his  
 Tues 8 A pleasant day We were **mowing out weeds grubing out Cheery & plumb sprouts** in the fore-n. We were **hoeing beans & corn** in the afternoon  
 Wedns 9 A pleasant day Threatened rain 2 or 3 times but did not amt to anything

#### **Vie Thurston & I took in the S.S excursion to Bay Port**

**Fair.50 cts a piece Thurston paid it 1.50**  
**Mother & the horse spent the day at** Mr Wylies & Vie & I took supper with them  
 Thurs 10 A fine day. I was helping Vie wash in the fore-n.  
 was **cutting weeds carrying water cobling** etc in P.M  
 Thurston **was nearly sick today** A light shower here last night  
 Frid 11 A fine day the most of the day. There was the appearance of a heavy shower from the west about noon but it turned out to be a **very heavy wind storm**  
 A no of **stacks untopt, barn doors taken off trees blown over** etc but no serious accident reported  
**Thurston was quite sick this mg.** not able to work any today  
 I helped Mr Annible draw oats from his south place Dr to the same 1.00  
 Sat 12 A fine day. Vie & I were up to see Dr Handy this fore-noon.  
 Paid him for med-e .50  
 I **helped R J Jameson thresh** about 3 hours this after-n Dr .38  
 Thurston & I were up Town this eve Biles & Hamil-n Cr by trade this eve .65  
 Dr to 3 doz eggs .3 0 Cash to ball .3 5 .65  
 Paid F Adams for trade .17

Sab 13. A fine day. We were at Church Services except Thurston  
 Mon 14 A fine day. I was helping Chas Hall **draw oats We drew in 10 loads** & put them all over the big beam Reed pay for the same 1.25  
 Tues 15 A fine day. I was at home in the fore-n **grinding tools making a batle**

(?) etc **Was out trying to collect accts in P.M**

Reed of C. B Jameson on shearing .20

Paid Ed Otis for trade .45

Wends 16 A fine day. I was cutting weeds in the fore-n Thurston took the women over to Mr Campbells after dinner & went after them in the eve. **was cutting weeds in the corn** in the P.M s 17 Very warm Mother & I

were down to John Morrows **to help at a Barn raising**

Thurston cut weeds out fo corn part of the day. Very warm

18 A very warm day. I helped Mr Annible draw oats in

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the fore-n Dr to the same .50 [ **AUGUST 1899** ]

Thurston cut weeds in the fore-n **To hot to work in the afternoon**

**as we about bushed with the heat in the fore-noon**

Sat 19 A very warm day. **Ther stood at 99 in the shade yesterday & 100 today**

**To hot to do anything. We had nothing to do so we done nothing.**

I drove up to Town in the eve Paid for trade at several places .80

Pd Dr Handy for med-e for Vie .50

Sab 20 Very warm I was out to Church Mother staid at Morrows Thurs

came to Church this mornng Home with me

Mon 21 **Quite cool today. rained somewhere but not here last night. I carried**

**24 pails of water from Mr Annibles & helped [wells must have gone dry]**

**Vie about washing** in the fore-n Was cobling & tinkering in the after-n

Tues 22 A fine day. I was at home. No chance to work Vie &

I were up Town this eve Paid Ed Otis for trade this eve .20

fie is Cr by **a pair of pants for myself 1.50**

Wedns 23 A fine day. Thurston was out to Caro with Orrie Houghtailing. I was at home

Thurs 25 A fine day. I was at home in the fore-n. **Helped Peter Campbell**

**thresh**, for Mr Annible Thurston was **cuting weeds in the corn**

Frid 25 A fine day. Thurston finished **weeding & hoeing corn** I helped Mr

Campbell thresh in Mr Annibles place 1 1/2 days 1.50

Mr Annible Dr to 1 1/2 days thresh-g

Sat 26 A fine day. We were at several odd jobs Thurston

Recd of Jos Adams 1.75 ball due on shearing last spring

Paid Bedelis for 2 bush corn in ear .30

by Thurston. He also paid them .25 ball due on corn got this summer E B Jennings

Cr by 5 baskets of corn in the ear. got us used

Sab 27 A warm day We were out to S.S & P.M today. R.J & Rose Jameson were **over to see**

**Mrs Noble this eve No hopes of her living**

Mon 28 A fine day. We were **carrying & drawing water** & I helped Vi wash in the fore-n.

Thurs 29 A very warm day We had nothing to do so we did not do much.

Took the women over to R J Jamesons to spend toe day. Went after them

this eve. **Staid to tea**

Wedns 30 Very warm I **helped Jake Leimen thresh** for Mr

Annible. He is Dr to the same 1.00

Thurston paid for feed & trade .75

Thurs 31 A fine day. Very close & warm in the after-n

Threatened rain but did not. I was at home in the fore-n.

**Helped Mr Annible thresh** some 3 1/2 h in P.M Dr to same .38

Done this threshing on the Clark place He **had 76 bush oats &**

**40 bush of wheat** Mr Annible Cr by 21 lbs salt

350

### SEPTEMBER 1899

Frid 1 A fine day. I was **fixing a corn horse & a corn cutter**. Thurston was

at tinkering in the fore-n, away PM A light mist of rain last night I was expecting

to help E.B.J. thresh in P.M **but the Engine went through the Atkinson Bridge**

[ **sounds like the heavy engine sunk into the bridge** ] so they did not get here

Sat 2 A fine day. I was helping E B Jennings thresh

Dr to the same 1.00

He had 602 bush oats & 278 of wheat Thurston was choreing & odd jobs

Sab 3 A fine day. We were out to S. School & prayer Meeting Claud Stewart came home with Thurston & staid until evening

Mon 4 A fine day. We were **cuting corn** for John Kirk We cut **130 shocks 8 x 8 square** He is Cr by a **bush of wheat .50**  
 I drove up Town at noon time  
 Pd Ed Otis **for overalls for myself .50**  
 Paid him for other trade .22

Tues 5 A light shower this mornng. We were cuting corn for John Kirk after 9.40 cut 82 shocks 8 x 8 Recd cash 3.00

Wedns 6 A fine day I took Vie to see Dr Handy this fore-n Took Vie over to R J Jamesons to attend Miss Soc in the after-n Went after Vie this eve Mr Annible Cr by **2 bush of oats .40**  
 Recd of a pediar in trade **for 32 eggs .32**

Thurs 7 Very warm. We had no place to work. Vie & I attended the **Farmers Club Meeting** at Mr LeVallies in the after-n Mrs Jennings went with us Walter & Amy Jameson called this eve

Frid 8 A fine day. We spent the day at C.B. Jamesons as we had nothing to do at home & no place to work. I drove to Town Paid Mr Rowley for setting 2 shoes .25  
 Paid for trade at several places .75

Sat 9 A fine day nearly a frost this mornng. I was up Town this fore-n. Was choreing the rest of the time Paid **for repair of a wedge .15**  
 Paid for trade at the stores .30

Sab 10 A fine day. Thurston was at home the rest of us out to S.S & Prayr Meet.

Mon 11 A fine day **Mrs Clark** was here over night **making her farewell call before going to Ohio.** Thurston **drawed water** & I helped Vie wash in the afternoon Took Mrs Clark home this mornng

Tues 12 Pleasant but cool got quite cold with strong wind in the after-n E B Jennings **lost a cow last night I skinned & burried her for him**  
 Recd the hide for pay 44 lbs .06@ 2.64

Wedns 13 A pleasant day but a cold air, wind got to be quite strong & cold in the after-n Vie & I were out to Caro in the fore-n  
 Recd for a cow hide 44 lbs .06 @ 2.64  
 Paid for shoes for Mother\$ 1.00 Other trade .80 1.80

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Thurs 14 There was **quite a frost & freeze last night. Killed all the vines & also the corn.** We were cuting corn & doing other fussing, such as **drawing water & beans**

Frid 15 A light frost last night A fine day.  
 We **finished cutting out corn There was 160 shocks 8 x 8**

Sat 16 A warm summer day I helped Doc Winchell thresh 3/4 day. Recd for the same .75  
 He had some 240 bush oats 95 of wheat & 86 of barley  
 Thurston cut corn on E B Jennings in the fore-n. **We are to have the stalks I bound & set up the corn fodder** after I got home. Thurston at odd jobs

Sab 17 A pleasant day. The long looked for & greatly wished for rain com-ed with a mild thunder shower about 7 oc this eve. Vie at home the rest of us attended S.School & Prayr Meetg

Mon 18 A dark cloud day Rained the most of the fore-n I helped Vie wash in the fore-n Was up to Town towards even-g Sent Nelson Bogue of Batavia N Y by American Express, his Canvassing outfit for Nursery stock.  
 Paid Express charges .25  
 Paid Crosby for 4 lb 6 oz pork.06 1/2 @ .28  
 Paid Ed Otis for 4 lbs Gran Sugar .25

Tues 19 A fine day. We were cufing corn on E B Jennings in the foten. We are to have the stalks on 2 acres for the cuting We were cuting corn for Mr Annible in the afternoon

Wedns 20 A fine day but the wind N & quite cold. We finished cuting corn on E.B. J in fore-n We cut part of the P.M for Mr Annible Time I day 3 1/2 hours for one person Dr to 1.35  
 He is Cr by drawing us a load of wood form John Bishops this even-g

Thurs 21 A white frost this mornng Wind N cool air but pleasant  
 Thurston was **washing the buggy & building a straw pen** etc I was **spliting wood & tinkering** in the fore-n Painting the buggy in the after-n Thurston & I were up to town last eve Paid Fred Adams **for pants for Thurston .50**  
 I paid for trade, Oil Thread, Tob .27

Frid 22 A dark cloudy day Wind N & N.W I **was sewing wheat**  
by hand for E B Jennings Sowed the W. 13 acres on the E 40 Dr to the same 1.00  
Thurston had to go to Town after [paint to finish the buggy](#)  
The paint cost I can .45 2 cans .25 each .95

Sat 23 There was a light frost last night. A cold air & wind all day.

We **pulled & threshed the garden beans** drew straw etc

Sab 24 A dark cloudy day, with rain. A very heavy rain towards eve.

We did not go to Church on acct of rain.

Mon 25 A dark cloudy day with squalls of rain to wet to husk.

Helped about splifing wood husking corn

etc Mr Annible Cr by 2 bush wheat .66 @ 1.32

Tues 26 Quite a strong wind got cold toward eve. We were husking corn for  
John Kirk **are to have .03 pr bush & dinner**

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Wedns 27 A heavy frost this mornng. We husked corn about 3/4 day for .1 day

for John Kirk to heavy a frost to com-e in the mornng

Thurs 28 A cloudy windy day. We **attended the Caro Fair**

Paid for **family ticket & horse 1.25**

Paid for **tickets to grand stand & grapes .30**

Gave Thurston cash \$ 1.00 **Fixing freezer.** 10 1.10

[fairly sure they did not have electricity in Fairgrove yet could be ice cream freezer  
which is like a geared turnable cylinder in another cyklendar ??]

Mr Annible Cr by cash on work 2.00

Recd of Wni Kirk on shearing 1.00

Frid 29 A dark cloudy day with a very strong S & S W wind Communion fast day.

Rev Dodds Missionary from Syria assisted We were out to Church

Paid E.J. Otis for trade .50

Sat 30 Very cold & windy the most of the day.

**Ice froze as thick as a heavy window glass last night.** We were busy  
**spliting wood drawing straw**, picking up apples, etc until & after Church Services  
(from 2 to 4 P. M) which we attended

#### OCTOBER 1899

Sab 1 A fine day. Communion Sabbath. We attended Services at the Church.

John Morrows came home with for dinner. Attended a Miss Lecture by Mr Dodds  
at the Presbete-an Church at Fairgrove this evening Pd at Church 1.00 Miss Coll .25

Mon 2 Pleasant but a cool air. We attended Church Ser-s & Miss lecture by Mr Dodds  
this fore-n Picked our apples this eve There was 6 bush of hand picked

Tues 3 A fine day We were husking corn for John Kirk

Wedns 4 A fine day. We were husking corn for John Kirk Thurston drove tip

Town at Noon fie paid Ed Otis for gloves &

tobacco he got last Wedns .30

Paid Biles & Ham-n for trade .70

he owes them a bal I of .10

Thurs 5 A heavy frost this mornng. A fine day. We were husking corn for John

Kirk The women took dinner at E.B.J

Frid 6 A fine day. We were husking corn at John Kirks **While at Caro Fair Sept 28**

I signed for the **Saginaw Courier Herald for a year** & 3 mo time to commence

Jan 1, 1900 Terms 1.00 I paid the agent.50, am to pay the ball

any time before Feb 1 st 1900 1.00

Sat 7 A fine day. We were diging potatoes, drawing straw etc etc & so on.

They are yeilding very light

Sab 8 A fine day. We were out to S. School & Preaching

Mon 9 A fine day. Mr & Mrs Campbell of Hetherton Otsego Co were here visiting today.

Vie & I took them up to Mr McLuneys at Fairgrove this eve., Thurston went to help

Mr Frank Bedell thresh for Mr Annible. Threshed about 1/2 the after-n but he was there all after-n

Tues 10 A fine day. Mr Annibal Dr to Thurston threshing 1/2 day .50

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Helped Frank Bedell yesterday & 1/4 this fore-n

E B Jennings Dr to 1/2 day threshing .50

1 helped Chas Hall for him I went at 10 oc but they did not start until after dinner

We attended a meeting of the Presbytery this eve Paid Fred Biles  
for trade this eve .30 Paid Elmer Jameson trav exp .30

Paid **Hall Gaylord box rent for next qr .10**

**[This mat be where Hall's Corners got its name from post office box there ]**

Wedns 11A fine day but cloudy & smokey. Rained a little last ni We  
attended the meeting of the Presbytery this fore-n.

**The Ladies served dinner at the Church**

Thurs 12 A fine day. We finished digging & piting our potatoes today,  
about 50 bush all told Andrew Morrow came here this eve, Walter Jameson brought him

Frid 13 A fine day. It was today instead of yesterday we finished digging  
our potatoes Spent the ball of the day visiting with Cousin Andy.

Vie & I took him to Mr Kings this eve

Sat 14 Pleasant but quite cool in the after-n. We were **drawing wood,**  
**water & straw** in the fore-n Thurston husked part of the P.M I attended a sale at Dell

Brodworths part of the after-n Recd of Dell Brodworth this eve 1.55

**for 31 bush of Mangles** got May 24 Paid F Adams for trade .69

Paid S N Aldrich for **Clothes Line R .10**

Sab 15 A fine day. Vie & I were out to S.S & Preaching

Mon 16 A fine day. We were husking corn at John Kirks

Tues 17 Com-ed raining in the night & rained most of the fore-n. We were at home

Wedns 18 **Quite a frost last night.** We were husking at John Kirks. **The rain made fine husking**

Thurs 19 A light frost this morn Com-ed raining about I p.m. We husked for John Kirk in the fore-n

Paid Ed Otis for trade this morn .30

Frid 20 We waited in the morn for the corn today. A fine day. We husked corn for John Kirk for 3/4 day

Sat 21 A fine day. We were husking for John Kirk Drove up

Town this eve Paid Fred Adams for trade 1.35

Paid for **2 kegs tacks.05** Tob. I O .15

Recd of John Kirk cash on huskg 5.00

Sab 22 Several heavy thunder showers last nt & this morn a fine day. John Morrow staid  
with us all night Him & I were out to Church. He went home from Church

Mon 23 A fine day. We were husking & helping wash in fore-n.

Husked at John Kirks in the after-n. George was here this eve. Andy Morrow called this morn  
on his way to R J Jamesons. Came back here this eve. to stay all night

**James Campbell & Anna Lorap were married Wedns Oct 11 [1899]**

Tues 24 A fine day. We were husking corn for John Kirk Andy Morrow went

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to Johns

Wedns 25 A fine day. We finished husking at John Kirks this evening

Thurston drove up Town this eve paid for trade .36

Thurs 26 A dark cloudy day. Com-ed raining about half past Nine A.M

Vie & I were out to see Dr Handy this morn. Paid him for med-e .50

I was helping Vie paper the parlor in the afternoon

Frid 27 A dark cloudy day with rain last night & light showers or squalls today.

I was helping Vie paper & put down the carpet for her

Sat 28 A dark cloudy day. (Wind N.E to N) with squalls of mist or fine rain.

We were drawing & spliting wood etc etc in the fore-n. I was out to Caro in the after-n. Paid B. Him

for 3 cloth curtains & Roll-s .75

Paid Montague for Groceries .80

Paid the Butcher for meat .60 Rained steady & all nt

Sab 29 A fine day. Thurston & I were out to S.S & Preaching

Mon 30 A fine day. Thurston & I were helping Mr Annible pull & trim Sugar Beets

Tues 31 A fine day. We were helping Mr Annible pull & trim Sugar Beets fie is

Cr by 2 bush of oats got by R J Jameson .46

### **NOVEMBER 1899**

Wedns 1 A cold cloudy day wind N & quite strong as the day advanced.

Mist in the morning light squalls of rain toward eve Ladies Miss Society met here

Thurston helped Mr Annible with Beets today

Thurs 2 A very cold N E & N wind cloudy but not stormy. We finished  
pulling S. Beets at Mr Annibels this fore-n. I helped him 2 1/2 days

Thurston helped him 3 1/2 days He is Dr to the same



Cr by one & 1/4 bush of wheat .64 @ .80  
I was up Town to Mill in P.M  
Paid for odds & ends at several places .15  
Frid 3 A cold chilly east of N. E wind with quite a snow squall about noon.  
Rain squalls in the after-n & heavy in the eve We drew 8 large loads of stalks  
for Elmer Jameson. He was helping us Dr to my work \$1.00 Thurs.50 1.50  
Sat 4 Rained hard the most of the night, a fine day except quite windy in the afternoon  
We helped Elmer Jameson **mov away a load of cornstalks on the scaffolds** this mornng,  
then he helped us load & bring a load of straw home. Thurston was husking corn &  
I drove up Town after the mail & to mill toward eve  
Sab 5 A pleasant day but a cold air. Mother & I were out to S.S & Preaching  
Mon 6 Nov 1899 A heavy white frost the ground froze some I helped about the washing &  
**made a Beet knife in the fore-n.** We were **pulling & burying garden truck** in the afternoon

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Tues 7 **Frost again** last night a fine day. I was up Town  
this mornng, Recd of John Kirk 10.1  
ball due on husking 511 bush corn Paid for trade at several  
places in Town 1.0i

We **finished up harvesting the roots There is 8 bush S Beets & Mangles**

**bush of Carrots** in the big pit I bush each of S. B & Carrots in another I bush garden Beets  
& I bush **Carrots put in another pit for house use** I b saved out to feed & have fed all of 2 bush  
We had about 6 1/2 rows from the garden fence to the barnyard fence &  
on the 15th of Sep we thought them **worthless on acct of growth**

There was about 2 bush grown in the garden

Wedns 8 A pleasant day. We helped Mr Anabal thresh a while  
this mornng Dr to the same .50

I was fixing up the pits the ball of the fore-n We were away looking for Beet work in the  
after-n but failed Paid for repairs on harness & trade .20 Ros Jameson & daughter visited here  
Mrs Huff called in the after-n

Thurs 9 A tine day. We were husking for E B Jennings by the bush .03 @ & board ourselves  
We husked about 6 hours

Frid 10 A fine day but turned quite cold with rain from the N East this eve  
We husked about 8 hours for E B Jennings today

Sat 11 Rained the most of the night. We were spliting wood drawing water etc

Vie & I drove up to Town before noon.

I sent Sears Roebuck & Co of Chicago .85  
by Postal money order (paid for order & stamps) .09  
to pay for **1/2 doz woolen socks** to be sent to Fairgrove to my  
address Vie paid for Hat \$1.25 Silk.75 2.00

We husked for E.B.J 2 1/2 hours this aft

Sab 12 A Pleasant day but quite a chilly breeze from the N in the mornng.

Changed to the S.W before 2 oc Vie & I were out to Sab School & Preachg

Mon 13 Froze some last night quite chilly in the fore-n mild in the after-n.

We husked corn for E.B. Jennings on the hill about 1/2 of the fore-n

Out of the shock in the afternoon till 5.15

Tues 14 Com-ed raining abat day break kept it up the most of the fore-n.

We were sorting & paring apples & in the fore-n I helped Mr Anabil butcher  
a hog after dinner. Thurston husked a while this afternoon

Wedns 15 A cloudy day. We were husking on the hill part of the fore-n for  
E B Jennings & out of the shock in the afternoon

Thurs 16 A fine summer day. We were husking for E.B.J

Frid 17 A fine warm day. We were drawing wood in the fore-n, husked for E.B.  
Jennings part of the afternoon

Sat 18 A very fine day. I drove up Town this morning Stopt at John Klrks on  
the way home & helped him tag some 88 or 90 sheep & lambs Paid Jos

Wylie a years subscription on Christian Nation of 1.25

Time com-ed July 99 to run a year

I also paid him for **25 lbs flour .45**

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Paid Ed Otis for **9 lbs sugar.50 Oil. 12 .62**

He is Dr to pants returned 1.50  
Pd expressage on Socks from S-R & Co .25  
John Kirk Dr to 2 1/2 hours taging sheep .35  
We were husking for E B Jens in P.M have husked 204 up to this eve  
Sab 19 A pleasant day but quite a coot S wind. Thurston & I were out to 5.5&  
Prayr Meeting

Mon 20 A light frost last night A fine day. I went after Lizzie Canpbell  
this mornng to help Vie make a dress. Thurston **started to school this mornng.** I  
husked corn for E B Jennings 7 1/2 hours George came home from Mr  
Campbells this mornng. Was away today  
Tues 21 A light frost last night A fine day. George went to  
Saginaw. I husked about 5 h for E. B. Jennings. Drove up  
Town this mornng. Paid for Dress trimings .50  
Wedns 22 Quite cool & cloudy wind N. I finished husking for  
E B Jennings. Dr to husking 271 bush .03 @ 8.13  
George helped me part of the day. Lizzie Campbell finished  
here his eve, Paid for Services 1.50  
Edw Anabel Cr by cash paid Thurston .20  
Thurs 23 Cool & cloudy. I **com-ed husking our corn today** Was husking &  
visiting with Geo

Frid 24 Quite a cool air winds I spent the most of the fore-n with George.  
Took him to Watrousville **to the train after** dinner but it did not leave until 4 oc

**He is going to Cleveland Ohio to work for Jay this winter**

Paid Leonards for 1 1/2 lbs of tared string .12

Sat 25 Cool & cloudy. We spent about 1/2 the fore-n **riging up a team & wagon.**

We drawed & stacked our stalks cut on E B Jennings 3 jags We also **drawed 16 bush of our corn**

Sab 26 Cold & flying clouds Mother at home. The rest of us were out to S S & Prayr Meetg

Mon 27 Cool & cloudy with quite a heavy fog in the fore-n I was helping  
Vie about the washing in the fore-n. Was spliting wood, husking & taking out roots  
& potatoes for feed & horse use **Sold a spring calf to a Mr Gibbs S.W**  
of Caro Recd **for her cash 15.00**

Wedns 29 A pleasant day cool air I was up Town & to Mill in the fore-n.

Husked corn in the after-n Paid E. J. Otis on store acct 3.00

Paid him for trade today .50 **Paid for sulphur & notions .15**

I was over to Elmer Jamesons last eve. Settled work acct for  
this season. There was a ball due me of 1.00

**I got a bag of wheat of him took it to Mill this mornng.** When cleaned they made it weigh  
I bush 19 lbs wheat & there was 17 lbs screenings **It was worth .62 pr bush at Vassar** yesterday.  
Mere is a bal of \$2.00 due Ed Otis which George agrees to pay as he got the shoes  
Thurs 30 A fine Thanksgiving We were out to Preaching

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#### DECEMEBER 1899

Frid 1 Cloudy & rainy looking in the mornng, com-ed raining about 8 oc or so  
but did not amt to anything. Turned colder with high wind. We had to quit  
threshing for Clyde Jameson at the Pike Bro on acct  
of the wind, quit threshing at 1.45

I came home by Town. Paid John Haywood for a pair of shirts

**& every day coat 2.00**

Recd of John Kirk for tag-g sheep Nov 18 .35

Sat 2 Flurries of snow & sprits of rain this mornng. Finished threshing Clyde  
Jameson abt a qr to one oc. Dr to same 1.25

Paid John Haywood for pork got last eve .17

Sab 3 Pleasant but quite cold Vie & I were out to S.S & Preachg

Mon 4 Quite wintery today, froze all day. I was helping Vie wash, **piting cabbage**  
& **recovering potato pits & choreing** Quite a number of snow squalls

Tues 5 A strong S & S W wind I worked at recovering potato pits between snow storms

Wedns 6 Quite cold & freezing but pleasant aside from wind Vie & I attended

Ladies Miss Soc at C. B Jamesons Only 6 members present

Thurs 7 Quite cold & cloudy I was **backing straw** & recovering potato pits.

Farmers Club met at Mr Tagerts but we did not attend

Frid 8 A fine day. Thawed a little I was backing straw & recovering potato pits.  
The **ground has been froze so hard that about one pit a day** was all that I could carry  
straw for pick up the dirt & cover **Claude & Grace Stewart called to bid us farewell** on the way to their **new home at Silverwood about 30 in S.E of here**

Sat 9 Sunshine & shadows froze up last night. We finished recovering the potato pits  
**drawed in 36 bush of corn** (We have drawed 16 bush before) & stalks it growed on,  
& **covered one potato pit with manure** Com-ed raining lightly this even-g

Sab 10 Threatened rain but did not amt to much till eve Thurston & I attended Church

Mon 11A dark rainy day rained quite hard the most of the fore-n. I tinkered &  
**made the fires & done the chores**

'rues 12 A high wind went from S. to S.W & turned colder with rain squalls in  
the mornng & snow squalls through the day I drove up Town this fore-noon  
Paid Ed Otis for trade 1.32  
Recd of Clyde Jameson for threshing Dec 1 & 2 1.25  
Pd at the rate of **\$ 1.00 for 20 lbs L yellow sugar**

Wedns 13 Quite cold & chilly **I was about sick with a heavy cold.** I was **writing letters & choreing** in the fore-n. Was  
cleaning out & repairing chicken coops & roosts in the afternoon

Thurs 14 Quite frosty today I was fixing tip for winter drawed two loads of  
wood & two loads of manure on a toot pit in the afternoon

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Frid 15 Quite cold & cloudy I was up to Town this fore-n. Was spliting wood in the afternoon.

Paid John McCreedy for Bull Service for 1898 1.00

Pd E. Otis for 25 lbs flour.50 Raisins 1 lb. 10 .60

Sat 16 Quite cold mornng & eve pleasant through the middle of the day.

We were cleaning out the chimney & cook stove & pipe in the fore-n.

Was puting manure on the root pits in the after-n I played out with a heavy cold this eve

Sab 17 A fine day. I was laid up with a heavy cold. Thurston was out to Church.

Walter Jameson called & took dinner with us

Mon 18 A dark cloudy day. Wind S. Com-ed raining about 3 oc P.M

I was carrying water & helping Vie wash in the fore-noon **Read Newspaper in the afternoon**

Tues 19 to Thurs 21 Three fine days. I **have been confined to the house since last Sat eve**  
**with a heavy cold.** helped about washing & took med feel better this eve.

Mr Sproull called on us last evening Thurston Pd J Hayward **for pants .50**

Frid 22 A pleasant day. I was up Town to get the horse shod  
forward. Pd for the same .25

Paid Biles & Ham-n for trade .87

Paid Ed Otis for trade .09

He is Cr by 8 lb 6 oz lard.75 Crock to be retumed.08 .75

Paid John Hayward for pork.27 "Y". Cake.05 .32

**Paid the druggist for Quinine.10**

Sat 23 Cloudy but quite mild. I was over to Mr Saffords

this mornng & taged 14 sheep Recd payt .25

We were husking corn spliting taking out potatoes & roots to use etc.

We drove up Town after the mail this eve Paid

Jas McLuney the ball due on hay got last summer .75

**Robt Kirk & Lottie Davis were married Dec 20 at the brides home**

**Frank Bedell & a Miss Raymer Dec 21 at a Mr Wests S.W of Caro**

**Ettie Trimble & Prase (?) were married the 20 [Dec 1899 ]**

Sab 24 Cold & cloudy Thurston & I attended S.S & Preaching at the Church on

25 Quite cold and wintery. Thurston was up to Town to see if there was a letter from his

Father as we are expectng him here to spend the Hollidays

Mr Annabal Cr by cash paid the women a few days ago 5.00

Tues 26 Quite a strong frosty west wind, I drove up to the train to meet

Bro George but foed to see him Stopt with Rev Sproull

until the **noon freight train arrived** but George failed to come Came home &

fed & drove back to the train but did not find Bro George

Paid Ed Otis for 2 qts oysters & 3 1/2 lbs crackers .75

Pd John Hayward for Lamp Bumer .08

Wedns 27 Cold & cloudy quite a strong west wind.

Drove after George this mornng but failed to meet him,

Recd a letter from him stating that he would be ther Thurs eve  
Thurs 28 A cold west wind I was helping Thurston about  
**covering the cabbage pit splitting wood** etc. Went to the Depot  
after Bro George this evening He met me there this time

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Frid 29 A very cold frosty N wind today. We done the chores & visited with Bro Geo  
Sat 30 **Ther 10 deg below zero** this morn. Kept very cold all day.  
We done the chores & visited I rode up Town with  
R. J. Jameson Paid for trade at several places .85  
Sab 31 Quite a rough winter day. There was none of us out to Church

#### JANUARY 1900

Mon 1 Quite cold & wintery. New Years day We celebrated the day at home  
**Will Campbell & Gertie Richison were married Christmas [Jan 1900]**

Tues 2 Quite moderate today. I husked a while in the after-n.  
Thurston drew in a few stalks & 4 shocks of corn  
Wedns 3 A pleasant day. I husked 6 shocks of corn Thurston & his Pa  
drew in 9 shock of corn & a jag of stalks

**Alf Lane was buried today. Cause, Consumption brought on by carelessness & exposure**

Thurs 4 A pleasant winter day. We had E.B.J horse to **draw in a small jag of straw**  
from R.J. Jamesons & a load of wood from Wm Kirks woods, The farmers club met at John Bishops

Frid 5 A pleasant winter day. We were husking a little corn, splitting wood  
visiting with Bro George Etc. Drove up to Town towards eve. Paid Hamil-n  
& Biles for 24 1/2 lbs flour.55 Sugar.25 Pork.20 1.00

Sat 6 A fine day. We were **choreing & visiting. Husked 6 shocks of corn** I was  
up town toward evening Paid for several articles at 2 or 3 places .50  
Paid for dress triming for a dress for Mother \$1.05 Bro George furnished the money

Sab 7 A pleasant day. Thurston & I were out to Church

Mon 8 A pleasant day. We done the chores & visited I drove up to Town  
toward eve after a box of expressage for George but failed to get it

Tues 9 Pleasant until eve when it com-ed raining Drove up  
to Jas Cofields & **castrated 4 shoats**. Recd for the same .20

Took Vie over to see Mrs King & drove to the Depot in the  
after-n Paid Jos Wylie for a bag of bran .25

John Morrows folks & C B Jamesons folks were visiting here yesterday.

R .J. Jameson, wife, & Anna were here this eve

Wedns 10 Quite a cold N wind. We were **spliting wood husking corn** etc.

Thurston went up to the Depot, We spent the eve at E B Jennings except Mother

Thurs 11A mild winter day We were visiting at C B Jamesons, Mother went with us

Frid 12 A pleasant day We were at home visiting & husking We took tea at R J  
Jamesons & spent the evening with them

Sat 13 Quite mild until eve when the wind turned to the S.E with a light snow

We were husking in the fore-n Drove up to Town in the after-n Paid John Hayward for trade .90

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Paid Ham-n & Biles for trade .22

Paid Rowley for Mend-g a spring .25 this was in R J Jamesons buggy

Paid S N Aldrich for an 8 in file .12

Sab 14 A pleasant winter day. Thurston & I were out to Sabbath School & Preaching

Mon 15 Pleasant in the fore-n Snowed quite sharp in the after-n.

We drew in 30 shocks of corn in the fore-n. I drove up to the Depot after  
George's box in the after-n but failed as usual Paid for trade at several places .45

Tues 16 There was some **6 in of snow fell** in the storm a mild day with sunshine & shadows  
I helped Vie wash in the fore-n Drove after Geo box in the after-n but did not  
succeed in geting it Paid 0. Jameson for 4 1/4 lbs gran-d sugar.25 Two  
lb crackers . 14 Coarse salt 22 lbs . 11cts .50

Wedns 17 Pleasant in the fore-n Light spurts of rain in the after-n

We spent the fore-n with Bro George I was up to town in the after-n Found George's box  
Chas Hall brought it home Paid S.N Aldrich for a covered meat roaster .35

Thurs 18 A cloudy day with some mist & rain, sleighing played out We drew 3 loads  
of **wood from Wm Kirks woods**, cut by George last winter

Frid 19 Thawed quite fast today. We were visit with Bro George Husked corn

part of the afternoon Bro George made me a present of cash 12.00  
Sat 20 A pleasant day but colder with wind from the N.W Thurston & I  
were up Town this fore-n We were visiting & choreing in the P.M **Paid S N  
Aldrich for a pail & stew kettle .57**

Sheet iron pail .20 cts Kettle .3 7 cts

Paid J. Hayward for Cloth Cheese & Tob .53

Sab 21 A pleasant day. Vie & I were out to S.S & Preaching

**Mrs John Alison died instantly this morning [Jan 1900]**

Mon 22 A pleasant day **I took Bro George to the train this morning to return to  
Alpena** Paid the druggist for Bromo Teri (?) .25

Tues 23 Pleasant overhead but gradually getting colder freezing quite hard this eve.  
I was puting things to rights in the fore-n. Husked in the after-n

Wedns 24 A pleasant day but quite a strong S & S.W wind with rain this eve.  
I was tying up & drawing in corn today

Thur 25 A cold rough blistery day, with squalls of snow Wind N. I built fires  
done chores etc

Frid 26 A cold frosty day with a strong N.W wind **I spent the day reading  
doing chores** etc

Sat 27 A chilly S West wind Vie & I drove out to **see Dr Handy in the fore  
noon Paid for medicine .75**

I drove up Town in the afternoon Paid John Hayward for

**50 lbs flour.90 Three lbs 5 oz pork.23 Two lbs crackers .14  
Baking powder.10 1.37**

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**Paid F. Biles for 1 Gal Oil. 12** Adams for sugar & L. Ess .47

**Blacksmith repairs on buggy.** 1 5 Aldrich for ax helve. 10 .25

Sab 28 A cold windy day with squalls of snow I was out to Church Services

Mon 29 Quite frosty. Wind west. I was butchering hogs at Jake Leighmans  
for E B Jennings. Helped 3/4 day Dr .75

Tues 30 A cold windy blustery day. Wind W by S.W I was **hanging a ax  
husking corn & splitting wood**

Wedns 31 A cold blustery day. **Ther claimed to run from 6 to 12 below zero.**

I tapt Mothers shoes in the fore-n. Husked corn **split wood kept up fires &  
read** the ball of the time

#### FEBRUARY 1900

Thurs 1 Ther claimed to be 6 deg below zero this mornng. Vie  
& I attended the meeting of the Farmer Club at Mr John Kirks

Paid John Hayward for a pair of Artics 1.45

Pd F R Adams for **8 lbs Oat Meal .25**

Frid 2 Quite a cold heavy west wind. I was **luging water  
spliting wood & husking corn**

Sat 3 Quite mild today I took Vie over to see Mrs King,  
then drove up Town & **ground 2 axes.** Stopt at Mrs Kings until  
after dinner Paid Mr Wylie for Shorts .15

**Pd Ed Otis for a gal of Oil .12**

Sab 4 A dark cloudy day with snow from the N & N.E We were  
not out to Church

Mon 5 A pleasant winter day. I was helping Vie **wash husking  
corn spliting wood etc**

Tues 6 A pleasant day thawed some. I had E B Jennings  
horse & sleigh to draw 3 loads of wood from W Kirks

Wedns 7 Cloudy wind S thawed quite fast Vie & I attended

Ladies M.S at Mrs Jos Wylies

**Paid for Sugar & Yeast Cakes .30**

Misssionary collection dues .20

Took out a bush of potatoes this eve

Thurs 8 Rained quite hard the most of the night & this mornng

It is all slop & slush this mornng I was **building fence**  
around the barnyard in the afternoon

Frid 9 Every thing was froze up this mornng. a light flurry

of snow through the night A cold west wind, I finished the  
barn yard fence husked corn etc  
Sat 10 A fine day. I took 4 bush of corn over to Rans  
Tibbets this mornng to pay the same amt borrowed of him this  
summer Took out a bush of roots after I got home. Thurston  
& I were up Town in the afternoon Paid for trade at several places .50  
Paid on a **pair of shoes for Thurston .40**

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Sab 11 A pleasant day. thawed some. Thurston & I attended Church  
Mon 12 Thawed quite fast today I was cutting & picking up  
wood in Wm Kirks woods, where we cut last winter  
Tues 13 Snow & rain last night freezing all day with a  
strong west wind, I was repairing wool box, husking corn, **chuming** etc  
Wedns 14 Pleasant overhead but a cold west wind. I was up  
Town doing chores etc. Recd from Alfire Peats of Chicago 5  
books of **Wall Paper Samples in box**. Paid freight charges on the same .42  
Thurs 15 A strong frosty west wind quite rough in the after-n  
Vie & I attended L.A. S at C. Halls mite .20  
Frid 16 Quite frosty. I was husking com splitting wood &  
choreing in the fore-n. I was out canvassing for Wall Paper &  
over to Sie Hunspergers in the after-n Sold Mrs John Bishop a  
bill of wall paper amount of sale 3.98  
Sat 17 Quite frosty this mornng A pleasant day. I was out  
with paper a while this mornng Split wood the ball of the  
fore-n Thurston & I were in the woods in the after-n prying up  
logs & **cut up timber for "draying" out** [dray A low, heavy cart  
without sides, used for haulage.]  
Sat 18 A pleasant day. but quite a chilly N.W wind.  
Thurston & I were out to S School & Preaching  
Mon 19 Pleasant overhead but quite cold. I was helping Vie  
wash in the fore-n. Drove up Town in the after-n.  
Paid Fred Adains tax on the dog for the last year 1.00  
Paid John Hayward for 2 25 lbs sacks of flour .90  
2 lbs of Crackers. 14, 41bs clear side pork. 18 in all 1.32  
Paid J. S. Wylie for a bag of bran .25  
Thurs 20 Pleasant but quite chilly South wind thawed a  
trifle I drove up Town. Canvassed what I could for Wall  
paper Paid Ed Ofis for Sugar & Molasses .33  
Hinkley & Co **held two notes against George L for \$28.50.**  
**1 paid them \$3.00 leaving a bal of 25.50**  
**They charged .50 cts for extending the time for 30 days**  
making a total of \$26.00 Gave a note for this amt & took up  
the original notes, John Hayward & I signed it. Recd off  
George this mornng by P.O. order \$3.00 pd on notes  
Wedns Snowing from the N. East this mornng slacked up towards  
noon & com-ed storming again about 3.30 P.M I put in the day  
**mending harness doing shores** etc  
Thurs 22 Snowed from the N the most of the fore. Wind N.W  
in the after-n. **Churned** & mended harness in the fore-n  
Repaired wool box & husked corn in P.M  
Frid A fine day. I was over to C. B. Jamesons helping him

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**saw wood** with +cut Paid for trade at Town .32  
John Hayward Cr by 6 oz of yam .75 pr lb .29  
Sat 24 Mild with squalls of snow in the mornng. Wind changed  
from the S.W to W & got very windy & firosy. C.B. Jameson  
was here & drawed 2 loads of wood in the log from Wm Kirks  
for me when it got so tedious the we quit Quit drawing at 1.30 P.M  
Sab 25 A stormy frosty day. There was none of us out to Church  
Mon 26 Clear but very frosty I done the chores split wood

etc Ther run for 15 to below zero during the storm coming Sat  
Tues 27 Milder today. John Morrows made us a visit today. Brought Gam &  
Mae Duiguid & their children with them. Gams folks stopt with us. Are on  
their way to Ray Ind to live Mr Anable Cr by 3 3/4 lbs pork at.07 @ .26  
Wedns 28 Snowed quite sharp all day. Visited with Mae the most of the fore-n,  
then she went over to R.J. Jamesons. Gam went there in mornng.

### MARCH 1900

Thurs 1 Wintery like but has stopt snowing. It has drifted so that it is all guess work about  
the **amt of snow but there must be about a foot or so on the ground**

Frid 2 A very fine day. Thawed some. Thurston & I cut & drawed wood after  
**we got horses & sleigh rigged up**

Sat 3 A very fine day thawed some. We were cuting & drawing wood.

**Drayed** out some of it on to Cookingmasters. **Com-ed milking the cow once a day  
but her milk is as nice as summer**

Sab 4 Snowed the most of the day. Quite a strong N. E. wind. I rode over to

Church with R.J. Jameson **There was 28 adults & children at Church**

Mon 5 A pleasant winter day I was gathering & melting snow & helping Vie wash  
Com-ed snowing from the N.E this eve

Tues 6 Our **snow turned to rain** sometime in the night still raining this morning  
wind S & very warm Turned to the west about 9.30 A.M and **blowed a perfect gale the rest of the day.**

I finished my wool box, took a bush of potatoes out of the pit. **Churned & split wood**

Churned the last time for this winter **Old Mrs Beecher buried today [Mar 1900]**

Wedns 7 A fine day. Thawed a trifle where the snow was thin. Vie attended L M S at

Mrs Rbt McLuneys Sn, I was on the road with paper did not sell any but have the  
promise of some. Took dinner at Mr A Huttons, called at the Godkin farm. **[Mar 1900]**

Stopt at Mr Wylies & Vie spent the eve there **Mrs Jos Russell was buried yesterday fore-noon**

Paid Hayward & Jameson for trade .97 Rowley Cr by 2 new shoes & setting .50

Thurs 8 A very fine day. Thawed considerable. I was at home in the fore-n

Went up to Town in the afternoon Paid Hayward & Jameson

for trade .38 4 3/4 lbs **clear pork.33 Spool of thread.05**

Frid 9 Pleasant in the fore-n rain in the after-n Snow this eve I went to help Jake

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Lehman **bale hay, put up about a doz bales** when the press gave out I waited till noon  
for them to get it fixed. Rode up Town & got the mail At home in P. M

Mary Jameson & family were here visiting

Sat 10 A pleasant winter day. I went to help Jake Lehman bale hay,

waited all fore-noon but no bales come. I went up Town after the mail in the after-n

Sab 11 There was something like 2 in of snow fell this fore-noon Thurston & I  
started for Church on foot got a ride part of the way there & all of the way home

Mon 12 A pleasant day but a chilly air. I was out

canvassing for wall paper. Sold Jos Wylie an order of 4.14

Rbt McCluney Cr by 2 straps to carry w paper .25

Paid Jean Rowley for strap bale .15

Tues 13 A pleasant day but a chilly air, thawed quite fast I was canvassing for  
wall paper Sold Mrs Trimble and order of paper 1.55

Sold Mrs Sellack an order for W paper of 2.38

Wedns 14 Pleasant but a cold air did not thaw any today. Helped Jake Lehman

bale hay did not com-e until 10.30 as the balers did not get there in the mornng

Thurs 15 A very strong S.E wind with snow in the fore-n & squalls of snow in the after-n.

I helped Jake Lehman bale hay in the fore-n **finished it 13 ton**

1285 lbs Time I day 2 hours recd pay 1.20

Frid 16 A pleasant winter day. I was up Town canvassing in the fore-n. At  
home in the after-n Paid for 4 lbs crack-s.25 M-lass.06 .31

Com-ed storming in the eve about 8 oc Vie & I rode up to Town with Chas

Halls folks this eve to attend revival Services at the M.E. Church

Recd of Mr Anable on wirk 3.00

Sat 17 A strong frosty S.W. wind with snow squalls. I was

up Town in the P.M Paid Hay-d & Jameson for trade 1.08

Pd LeRoux for 4 3/4 lbs beef.38 Ed Otis for broom.25 .63

Paid Hinkley & Co, George L Stewarts Note of 26.00

Recd of George by Postal Money order 20.00

1 furnished the cash for the ball 6.00

Sab 18 A fine day thawed some Thurston & I were out to Church. Walter Jameson was here to dinner

Mon 19 Quite warm this mornng with showers of rain & snow Faired up a while in the after-n with nearly a blizzard of snow & wind in the eve.

I helped Vie about washing in the fore-n. Drove up to Town this eve.

**Paid Dr Hamilton for Swamp Root \$ 1.00 Ultra Morene.05 1.05**

Paid Hayward & Jameson 6 lbs pork.42 Y C.05 .45 **[Mar 1900]**

**Harry Richardson died Sab after-n Cause Inflammatory Rheum went to his heart**

Tues 20 A cold chilly S.W wind with a no of heavy snow squalls I was at several odd jobs, Thurston staid with Clyde Sproul last night

Wedns 21 Pleasant overhead but a chilly S.W & west wind I was **puting a reach in the wagon** splitting wood & doing chores

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Thurs 22 Thawed quite fast today. Vie & I attended R J Jameson **Sale**. 4 horse kind

19 cattle kind 33 sheep & hog kind brought \$ 1134.75 Horses one \$115.00ne\$107

A14 year old Mare\$75.00 Yearling colt\$57.00 Cows averaged \$39.50 Sheep \$6.25 pr hd

2 year old Steers & Heifers averaged \$ Yearling Steers & Heifers averaged \$ Sow &

7 pigs some 6 w old brought \$23.00 Shoats that would dress something over 100 lbs brought \$7.00 apiece

Cousin Mary & children spent the day with Mother

C B Jameson Dr to 6 baskets of corn .25 @ 1.50

Cr by cash on corn sold him 5.00

Frid 23 A fine day. Thawed quite fast. Wind N but did not blow Walter Jameson

& team were here & drawed wood for us about 3/4 of a day. R. J. **Jameson commenced moving**

Sat 24 Froze up last night wind north but did not blow Thawed some today Thurston & I

finished drawing wood off Wm Kirks this fore-n. I was splitting wood

at the house took out a bush of potatoes & some cabbage in the afternoon

Thurston was doing odd jobs Paid E B Jennings on acct this mornng 5.00

Saw a pair of Robins this mornng

Sab 25 A cold N E wind but pleasant overhead. Vie & I drove over to Church today

Mon 26 A snowy day from the N by N.E. I was repairing harness in the fore-n.

Taged 17 sheep for Jos Foster in the after-n recd pay .25

Sold Mrs Foster paper to the amt of 1.80

Tues 17 A fine day overhead A chilly N. breeze. I was over to Alex Huttons.

Sold them an order of paper amounting t; 7.76

Paid Hayward & Jameson for trade 1.50

Wedns 28 Fine overhead a chilly N. breeze thawed quite fast. I was up to

Town this mornng. Sent Alfred Peats & Co of Chicago a Postal Money order for 9.96

to pay for a bill of paper ordered this mg. Thurston met me at John Kirks

we brought home a small jag of straw Rbt Kirk Dr to taging 9 sheep .18

Paid for order & postage .12 for trade .20 .32

**Jas Bryant of Akron buried this P.M Killed Mon after-n by a chain breaking while loading sq timber on the cars [Mar 1900]**

Thurs 29 Froze up last night A chilly N.E wind today I was over to Wm Kirks

to work He is Dr to taging 25 sheep at .02 @ .50

Canvassed for paper in the after-n Thurston was sorting corn & choreing

Frid 30 Froze up last night A chilly N.E wind. Recd of Rbt

Foster for taging 16 sheep this mornng .25

Canvassed for paper coming home Drove up Town in the

afternoon Paid Jos Wylie for 33 lbs bran .25 & for a 25 lb

flour sack of shorts .15 .40

Paid Hays & Jameson for trade .67

Thurston finished sorting corn

Sat 31 Froze up last night Quite spring like today W.N.E

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Recd of Jas Elliott for taging 34 sheep .50

He had partly taged 6 or 8 of them Canvassed for paper coming home Thurston was at several jobs I was splitting wood & melting snow this eve

Paid for trade by Thurston this eve .34



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Sab I A fine day **but the roads were so bad we could not drive to Church.**

**Thurston went on horseback. George Anibal was taken down with pneumonia of the lungs**

Mon 2 A pleasant day Helped about the washing in the fore-n

**Took out potatoes & roots & split wood in the after-n & filed the cross cut saw**

Tues 3 Pleasant in the fore-n Quite a snow storm in the after-n We were cutting wood in the fore-n

Vie & I spent part of the after-n at Mr Annabals . **Geo no better**

Wedns 4 A fine spring day. froze some last night. We were cutting wood at home in the fore-n. I was up Town in the after-n Vie went as far as Church to attend L.M.Soc Paid for groceries etc at Town .50

Sold Mrs Brownell Wall paper amt to 2.71 Thurs 5 Quite spring like today We were cutting wood Filling up an old well, Cleaning out & repairing the chicken coop etc

Frid 6 A fine spring day John Kirk Dr to taging 45 sheep in fore-n .68

Sm Browneil Drtotaging 20 sheepin P.M Pd.30

Thurston was cleaning & grading the yard in the fore-n Split wood P.M

Sat 7 A fine day. Recd of Andrew Kirk for tag 12 sheep & cast.25

Recd of Jas Cof ield for tag 7 sheep .12

Sold Mrs Jos Adwns a bill of W papering 1.35 Arrived home at 5 oc in eve

Sat 7 Thurston & I drove up to Town this eve. Paid Hayward & Jwn-n for trade .34

Sab 8 A pleasant day but cooler. We were not out to Church

as we **could not drive the horse on acct of lameness** & there was no Preaching

Mon 9 Froze some last night & this fore-n. A very chilly N.

wind I was delivering Wall Paper & canvassing

Took Mrs Comell's order for Wall Paper amt4.54

Recd of Mrs A. Hutton for Wall paper 7.75

Recd " " Jos Foster... 1.80

Recd " " Mrs Sellack.... 2.38

Recd " " Mrs Wylie 41 41 114.14 16.97

My corn for selling & delivering 6.12

Took dinner at Cousin Mary Jamesons

Sold her a bill of paper amt to 1.89

Tues 10 A cold chilly N wind this morning. quite mild

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about noon I was canvassing for Wall paper Sold Mrs Jas Parker a bill of 4.82

Paid Hayward & Jameson for trade .70

P.O box rent. 10 pr qt ending July Ist

Pd S Percell for 1/2 bush onions got a while ago .25

Paid Mrs Roth Miller for BrahmaR (?) .40

Sent Alfred Peats & Co an P.O order for \$8.29

My com \$4.29

Wedns 11A cold chilly N East Wind Recd of Mark Hobart for tag 33 sheep .50

Recd of H Miller for tag 11sheep .20

Commenced snowing this eve

Thurs 12 Some 1 1/2 of 2 in of snow fell last night with some rain I was at home today on acct of damp chilly iar. Cloudy all day & threatened storm but did not

Frid 13 The ground white with snow again this mornng The air quite cool all

day. I was on the road taging sheep & canvassing for paper Recd of Rbt

Cof ield & A. Atkinson for tag 11sheep .22

Took dinner with Mrs Kings folks Contracted to Mrs King paper to amt of .56

Sold Mrs Walter Scott a bill of paper amt to 2.10

Thurston has been working up wood & doing chores since I have been canvassing

Sat 14 Snowed a trifle last night quite cool this mornng a fine after-n. I drove

down to the Depot after a bundle of Wall paper this mornng

Paid Expressage on same from Chic 1.25

Delivered & recd pay from Mrs Brownell

Delivered Mrs John Bishops recd on the same 1.00

John Mills Dr to tag sheep & cast & dock lambs .25

Paid Hay-d & Jameson for trade 1.08  
 Paid LeRoux for 9 lbs beef at .06 @ .54  
 Sab 15 Rainy in the morn'g Broke away about 11 oc. Thurston  
 & I attended Church Services  
 Mon 16 A pleasant fore-n Rainy like after 3 oc. I was out  
 canvassing & delivering paper in the fore-n. Took an order of  
 Mrs Frank Johnston amt 3.75  
 Recd of Mrs Jos Adams for paper 1.35  
 Was over to Geo Hinsons toward eve  
 Tues 17 A pleasant fore-n Rainy in the after-n I was  
 canvassing in the fore-n home in the P.M  
 Recd of E. Otis an order Amt to 6.44  
 Sent Alfred Peats & Co a Post Office Money order for 8.76  
 less .70 cts due on My com 4.40  
 Paid Ed. Otis for Oil. 13

Wedns 18 A thunder storm last night a heavy shower A fine day until near eve

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when we had spurts of rain. I was out canvassing for Wall paper in the fore-n. At home in P.M Sold Mrs Jas Arnold an order of Wall Paper this fore-n amt of 17.67

Thurs 19 A fine spring day I was up Town in the fore-n  
 Attended an Auction at Geo Hinsons in the afternoon  
 Paid for a lap robe at the sale .50  
 Recd of B.H Cornell for Wall Paper 4.54  
 E. J. Otis Cr by a pair of all wool Jersey pants 2.00  
 Paid Hayward & Co for trade .68  
 Paid Dr Hamilton for a bottle of Swamp Root 1.00  
 Paid B.H. Comell for the News Paper for 1899 1.00

(Ed. Note: **A page is missing from the diary causing a gap** from April 17 to April 30, 1900)

Mon 30 A fine day but quite a wind some of the time. I was  
 helping wash & carying water in the fore-n & Thurston drawed  
 manure with Billy in the fore-n. I drove up Town with Edw-d  
 Otis paper in the after-n. He is Dr to the same 6.43

He is Cr by cash on the same .50

Recd Mrs Frank Johnstons paper and delivered it this after-n

Recd pay for the same 3.79

Had **Jos Douglas here to attend the cow this eve**. Paid him for the same 1.25

He is also Dr to cash on acct .75

Paid Hayward & Jameson for trade .25

### **MAY 1900**

Tues I A fine day. I was out canvassing for paper & tag

sheep Orvill Otis Dr to taging 32 sheep .35

Ora Otis Dr to taging 5 sheep .10

Paid for Crackers & meat .30

Paid for Overalls for Thurston .50

Thurston was spreading manure etc.

Wedns 2 A fine day. I was shearing sheep for John Kirk S 30

Thurston drawed manure went to Town in P.M etc

Thurs 3 Rained last night quite cold today. I finished shearing at J Kirks this fore-n 45 head all told. Recd pay 3.00

I allowed him the taging for straw .68

Sheared 11 **sheep & done up the wool** for John Mills in the afternoon Recd Shear-g \$ 1.00 taging .20 1.20

I staid last night at Mr Kirks Thurston came after me this eve Paid for trade at Town this eve 1.30

Paid Rbt McLuney for straps got them Mar 12th .25

Quite a frost last night

Frid 4 A cold north wind quite chilly. Vie & I were up Town

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this fore-n Was grinding sheep shears & looking for some one to do our plowing

but failed to find anyone, Frost this m Sat 5 A fine day. Recd of Levi Hinson for shearing & tying the most of the wool on 25 head of nice large sheep 2.25

Thurston **had a horse of E b Jennings to plow the garden**

Gave Thurston to pay for bran & trade .35

Sab 6 A fine day. Thurston & I were out to Church Services

**Old Mrs Lutson buried today [May 1900]**

Mon 7 A fine warm day. Recd of Robt Foster for shearing 16

head of booming sheep 1.40 Recd of Mr Prophet for shearg 4 Boomers .35

Tues 8 Rained quite hard last night & this mornng & again towards eve, I drove up to Town this after-n. Paid Jos Wylie for 5 lbs fish Pickerel .25

Also for a bag of bran.25 & a sack of shorts.10 .35

Wedns9 A strong cold N.wind this mornng. Quite cool breeze all diy. Took Vie up to see Dr Wright this fore-n.

Paid him for med-e 1.00

this pays for today & also last week

Paid R J Jameson for trade today 1.15

Paid E Otis for 1 1/2 lbs Balogna .15

Hayward & Jameson Cr by a **Glass Pitcher** .40

Mrs Lute Johnson Dr to **taging 16 sheep** .30

I **tagged them & trimmed thier feet** this P.M Sent Peats & Co

of Chicago a paper order this mornng for 1 1/4 rolls of paper

Ed Otis lacked just that much Sent postage stamps to pay the bill .16

1 also sent for a roll for Mrs Brownell one that they missed

sending Put the Cow to pasture on E B Jennings last Monday morning

Thurs 10 Pleasant but a cool air I sheared 28 sheep for E B

Jennings He is Dr to the same 2.00

**Thurston was making garden** etc

Frid 11 Rainy this mornng with light thunder showers through the day. I sheared & done up wool of 13 sheep for Mr Safford

Dr to the same 1.30

Brought Amy Jameson home with me

Sat 12 Warmer with sunshine & showers. George Annabel & team were here plowing for us today I went up to Wm Kinneys

to shear sheep this mornng, but he let them get wet. Went up

to Gilford this after-n to get the horse shod Paid for the same .25

Recd Ed Otis paper this mornng from Peats & Co Paid for Expressage .25

Recd from Edw Otis for paper .23

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Sab 13 A fine day. We or Vie & I were out to Church

Services Amy rode to Church with us on the way home

Mon 14 Very warm. I sheared 13 sheep for Jas McLuney this

fore-n Dr to the same 1.00

Sheared 11 for Wm Kinney in the aftern

He is Dr to the same 1.40

Commenced shearing his about 3 P. M finished them at 9.45 eve

Paid Crosby for 25 lbs flour.475 lbs sugar.30 Tob.10 .87

Tues 15 A fine day Quite cool this eve. I was up to Town

in the fore-n. Doing odds & ends at home P.M Paid Jameson &

Hayward for a **White Hat. 50 Fine salt. 10 Balogna. 10 .70**

Recd of Mr Safford for shearing 1.30

Thurston helped Mr Annabel plant corn after 1 loc yesterday

Was drawing manure & cultivate today

Wedns 16 Rained some last night Sunshine & showers today.

Recd of Walter Scott for shearing 15 sheep 1.20

Recd of Mrs Browning for shearing 2 sheep .16

Ben Marr Dr to shearing 9 sheep .72

Thur 17 Cloudy with spurts of rain. I was shearing for Jas

Elliott. Sheared 28, Dr to the same 2.00

He is Cr by cash on the same 1.00

I went on foot in the morng Thurston drove after me in the eve He was drawing manure fitting the ground & planfing potatoes these last 2 days  
 Frid 18 A dark cloudy day with rain squalls in the fore-n. I went over to Mr Letsons & sheared 5 sheep for him. He is Dr to the same .50  
 Rained steady I had stay for dinner Thurston & I drove up to Town this after-n Paid for trade at several places .80  
 Pd Dr Wright for Med-e for Mother & Vie .85  
 Sat 19 A fine day overhead but a cold east wind. I was helping at home & went to Town in the fore-n. Sheared 9 sheep for Rbt Kirk in the after-n Recd p4y .90  
 Thurston was **spreading manure making garden** etc. George Annabal & **team plowed for us** Recd of Jas Elliott ball due on shearing 1.00  
 Hayward & Jameson Cr by shoes for myself 2.00  
 Paid them for 2 lbs pork. 10 @ .20  
**Traded .25 worth of Onion sets for the same amt of rice with E.J. Otis**  
 Sab 20 A fine day. We were at Church except Mother Met Cousin Andy Morrow at Church  
 Mon 21 Quite warm I was shearing sheep for John Ringle He is Dr to shearing 33 head 2.25  
 Thurston was working at home

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Tues 22 Quite warm. I was at home grinding sheep shears **destroying worm nests & marking corn ground** Thurston was at various jobs. Jake Lehmans hand & team were here **deaging & tolling corn ground** Cr by the same  
 Quite warm. I was shearing for Jake Lehman today Recd of him for shearing 17 head 1.50  
 Thurston was marking & planting corn I drove up to Town this eve Paid the Drugist for Swamp Root 1.00  
 Paid Mr Crosby for **25 lb sack of flour .47**  
 Paid for a **lb of grape nuts .15**  
 Thurs 24 Quite warm. I was at home about played out. helped about geting out & cuting potatoes Thurston was planting potatoes Rather more tha 3/4 acres  
 Frid 25 A fine day. I was shearing for Joes Adams & David Wark 12 for Mr Adams & 6 for Mr Wark. Mr Adams Dr to the Bal 1.50  
 Thurston was planting truck up Town & over to  
 Sat 26 A warm summer day. I sheared 25 good sheep for Wm Kirk. He is Dr to the same 2.00  
 Recd of David Wark for Sh 6 sheep .50  
 Sheared them at Joe Adams yesterday Thurston sent a package of Wall paper to A Peats & Co by express last night. Cousin Mary Jameson staid with us last night  
 Sab 27 Several spurts of rain or light thunder showers in the fore-n. Pleasant in the after-n There was none of us to Church  
 Mon 28 Cloudy with rain squalls in P.M 3 miles est of here with a heavy rain here & a pour down 2 or 3 m west of us. Helped wash etc in the fore. Drove up to Thos Mitchelis after dinner started after his sheep about 3 P.M Com-ed shearing at 4 oc & sheared 15 sheep until 9 oc except time for supper  
 Tues 29 A warm day. I com-ed shearing at Mitchells at 6 oc this morng. quite at 10 oc in the eve. Since 4 oc last eve until 10 oc this eve I sheared 5 8 sheep & castrated or docked 40 lambs. Recd pay 3.75  
 At .06 1/2 cts pr head would amt to the same  
 Wedns 30 Very warm through the day. I drove from T. Mitchells to Mark Hobarts (by home foT breakfast & horse feed) Com-ed shearing for him after 9 oc Sheared 22

Thurs 31 Several heavy showers this fore-n pleasant in p.m  
I sheared 11 sheep for Mark Hobart in the fore-n, making 33  
all told Recd pay 2.50  
Cliped 3 1 0 lbs from 33 average Castrated or docked 25 lambs  
for him Recd of Henry Miller for shear-g 9 sheep .70

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Sheared them this after-n

### JUNE 1900

Frid 1 Cloudy but dry in the fore-n a light rain most of the  
after-n. I drove over to O Otis this mornng to shear but found  
his sheep wet. Took breakfast with them then came home.  
Sheared 16 sheep for Lute Johnston She is Dr to the same 1.20  
Sat 2 Cloudy but dry in the fore-n Squalls of rain in the  
after-n Sheared 12 sheep for Andrew Kirk this fore-n 123 lbs  
from 12 sheep Recd pay 1.00  
Sheared 15 for John Cofield in the after-n Recd pay 1.12  
Recd . 1 3 cts on taging ball due .20 cts  
Thurston paid for trade, eggs Garden seeds & other traps this week 2.25  
Sab 3 A fine day Thurston was out to Church The rest of us were at home  
Mon 4 A fine day Recd of Orville Otis for shearing 25 sheep  
\$1.80 & taging them.50 2.30  
Sheared 5 for Ora this even-g Recd for shearing & tag .50  
Tues 5 A fine day. I sheared 20 sheep for Sth Brownell Dr  
to the same 1.60  
Sheared & tied up 3 fleeces for Dave McCoy Dr to same .38  
Wedns 6 Very warm & muggy today I was at home in the  
fore-non Went to shear for Cofield & Atkinson after dinner  
but they were not home. Started for C B Jamesons but ran  
into a heavy shower on the way. Found his sheep wet Came home by Town.  
Paid Jameson & Co for trade last night & today .82  
Paid Mr Crosby for 25 lbs flour.47 Tea. 1 0 .57  
Paid Rowley for shoeing done March 7 .50  
Recd of Jas McLuney for shearing & taging 1 ?5  
Had just a mere sprinkle here today, **drove through a heavy rain** W of our Church  
Thurs 7 Very warm this mornng. Quite a heavy thunder shower  
about 3 P. M I sheared 12 sheep for Robt Cofield & A Atkin-n Recd pay .96  
Drove over to C B Jamesons after dinner but did not shear any  
until after the storm. Sheared 6 head Recd pay .60  
The 6 head sheared pounds  
Frid 8 Quite cold this mornng warmer through the day & quite  
cool Ns eve. I sheared 26 sheep for Issac Brodworth He is Dr to the same 2.00

Stayed a C. B Jameson last night came home this eve Thurston was **helping the women finish up  
the planting Beets Mangles & Carrots** & seting out Cabbage etc in Garden Paid Jos Wylie

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was leveling & opening a potato pit. We sprouted them & took them to Townin P.M Soid Jatneson &  
Hay-d 7 bush at.25@ to be paid for in store trade 1.75  
Ed Otis Cr by trade Tobacco & celery .17  
Paid Jos Wylie for corn Meal .22  
Paid Hamilton for a bottle of Malt .25

Thurs 21 A fine day. a light shower this eve, We were planting beans hoeing  
corn & potatoes etc. I took the women up to Mrs Sproulls this fore-n went  
after them this eve. Paid for hardware .15  
Paid for repairs on harness & pad .40  
C B Jameson Dr to 1 1/2 bush seed potatoes .25  
A light sprinkle this eve

Frid 22 A fine growing day light shower just before & after dinner We were **cultivating  
& hoeing corn & potatoes** in the fore-n. We were **grinding the  
sythe**. I was mowing in the eve George came home from Cleveland this  
eve. Came to Watrousville & **footed home from there** about 10 in eve  
Sat 23 A warm day. We were cultivating & hoeing potatoes

Drove up Town this eve Edward Otis Cr by shirt .50 Tob.10 .60  
 Paid Hayward & Jameson for trade .25  
 Paid Dr Hamilton for Malt .25  
 Sab 24 Very warm. George & I were out to Church Services  
 Mon 25 Very warm. Thurston & I were hoeing corn & potatoes George helped  
 a while towards eve. **Ther stood at 110 deg in Sun at 10 oc fore**  
 Tues 26 Very warm We finished hoeing our corn today George helped a part of the time  
 Wedns 27 A light shower this mornng. Very warm. **Thurston & I were hoeing our garden potatoes  
 & other truck** in the fore-n I was up to Town toward eve  
 Mrs Clark & Mrs Hughes were here this after-n. Hay-d & Jam-n Cr by 4 lb  
 0. Meal . 1 4 Two lb rice. 16 Garden seeds. 10 .40  
 Ed Otis Cr by 24 1/2 sack flour.55 Seed.05 .60  
 John & Eliza Morrow staid with us last night went home early this mornng  
 Reed from Peals & Co of Chicago a roll of paper that was lacking for Mrs Sth Brownell.  
 I left a double roll with her single roll due the ball to be returned to me if called for  
 Thur 28 A fine day. I was mowing hoeing & fixing the buggy Thurston **was hoeing in the gard-n**  
 George helped us part of the time Mrs Parker & Mrs King were here this P.M  
 Frid 29 Turned cold in the night. a cold north wind all day. We were hoeing potatoes & beans & poling our corn into  
 barrels in the fore-noon Were at different jobs in the afternoon.  
 Clyde Sproul called a while. **Stayed to tea** with us Returned to  
 Chas Hall 3 bush of corn in the ear lent us last summer **Sowed out late cabbage** this mornng  
 Sat 30 Very cold d-ds mornng I found no frost here but I so several today that claimed  
 they saw some but light. I drove out to Vassar to see Dr Avery for Vie.  
 He has been away on a visit for several days.

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Paid for a pair of **shoes for Mother 1.25**  
 Paid for my **dinner & horse stall .35**  
 Paid **Linseed Meal .25 Shorts. 12 .37**

#### JULY 1900

Sab 1 A fine day. Us men folks were out to Church Services. Claud Stewart came here last night,  
 went away this evening Mrs Clark came here yesterday I took Vie out for a ride  
 this eve Mrs Clark went as far as Mrs Hughes  
 Mon 2 Quite warm A very fine **skift** of mist for a short time about 1 oc.  
 Thurston was weeding beets at C.B Jamesons I drove out to Vassar to see  
 Dr Avery. Paid him for Medicine for Vie & I 1.00  
**Paid for nearly 4 lbs beef roast .34 1 lb sausage .10 .44**  
 Other traps & horse in stable .38  
 Returned a pair of shoes got for Mother Sat Recd pay 1.25  
 Pd at another place for garters for Mother 1.00  
 Tues 3 Juk 1900 A very warm day I was washing in the fore-n **Making a grindstone frame & hanging the stone**  
 in the after-n George was helping Mr Campbell in the after-n. Hoeing beets & haying  
 Paid Geo Annable on plowing 2.50  
**R. J. Jameson house on the farm was burnt about 6 oc last eve**  
 Thurston weeding beets at C.B Jamesons  
 Wedns 4 **Terrible hot until about 4 P.M Thunder storms & rain** around us  
 with a light shower here in the after-n I was tinkering hoeing in the garden etc  
 Thurston weed Beets in the fore Walter Jameson Thurston &  
 George went to Caro in the afternoon  
 Thurs 5 A very hot day George was helping Frank Bedell I was hoeing &  
 cultivating in the fore-n Helped E B Jennings haying in P.M .63  
 Mr Sprouls folks called this fore-noon  
 Frid 6 Very warm, with a strong S west wind. There was a thunder shower here  
 about 8 1/2 oc this eve. The **wind blew a perfect gale blowing over & breaking of fruit trees  
 & woods trees also besides tearing roofs off & blowed over one wind mill**  
 heard of, Clyde Allens As much or more than 1/2 of the apples pears & cherries  
 were blown off George was helping Frank Bedell & Robt Foster.  
 I helped E B Jennings for 9 1/2 oc A.M until 4 1/2 P/M when I had to quit  
**to take the cow over to John McCreedys Bull** Cousin May &  
 Mrs Sproul called awhile this after to see Vie  
 Sat 7 A fine day with several light spurts of rain here & around Dr Avery of

Vassar was here to see Vie this mornng. **Pd him for the trip 4.00 [four days work]**

He owes me a ball of .20 on making change .20

Mr & Mrs John Kirk called this fore-n I was helping in the **house sprouting potatoes** & several other jobs

Sab 8 Cloudy with several light spurts of rain George & Thurston attended Churdh

**Mother & I staid with Vie She was very poorly today**

**There was several of the neighbors & friends called in this P.M**

Mon 9 Cool & pleasant fine for hay in the P.M I was helping in the house

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hoeing in the garden etc Drove up to Town in the after-n F R Adams Cr by

shoes for myself 1.75 Paid him cash on the same 1.00

Ed Otis Cr by Granulated Sug .50

Jameson & Hayw-d Cr by 24 1/2 lbs flour.60 Tob. 10 .70

Paid Jos Wylie for Grah-m flotw bran & meal .65

Paid the Druggist for 1/4 lb Par Green .08

Tues 11 Cloudy with a light sprinkle of rain about noon Faired up in an hour or

so I helped E B Jennings 3 1/2 h hay-g Dr to the same .40

Thurston helped C B Jameson 2 days

Wedns 11A fine day. Thurston & I were at home. He was spraying potatoes

cultivating corn went to Town etc **Dr Avery was here to see Vie again but can give us no encouragement & say every symptom is against her She undress & went to bed this after-n Mrs Campbell, Rose & R J Jameson are going to stay all night with us**

Thurs 12 A fine day. I was helping take care of **Dear Vie. She is feeling rather worse today.**

Thurston was cultivating corn & potatoes Cousin Mary, John,

Eliza Morrow are going to stay with us tonight

**Jul 1900**

Frid 13 Quite warm. I was helping take care of **Vie She complains a great deal of being very fired, tired oh so tired** Thurston Finished cultivating & drove up Town this even-g

Sat 14 An excessive heat today **Vie appeared to suffer very much from the effects of it. We moved her from the bedroom to the square room this eve.**

Mrs Parker & Mrs Young staid last night. R J Jameson & Rose, Elmer & Sarah are going to stay with us tonight

**Vie was very restless this eve We thought due to extreme heat**

Thurston was helping C B Jameson

Sab 15 A warm day with heavy showers.

We were around this morning about **5 oc as the watchers thought Jul 1900**

**Dear Vie was failing very fast. She appeared to be unconcious when we reached the bedside at 5.30 She yielded up her Spirit to God who gave it Loving & gentile was her life peaceful was her death. The only complaint of her last few days was of being tired, oh, so tired, but she our loved one has now entered into that rest prepared for all Gods dear children where sickness sorrow & suffering are unknown**

Mon 16 A very warm day with a shower about noon or after

**We were making arrangements & geting ready for the burial tomorrow**

Mr Cookingmaster & wife & Mr & Mrs Parker are going to stay tonight

Tues 17 Warm with a **heavy shower about one oc P.M about the time people were gathering for the funeral.**

We left the house about 1.30 **followed by a great number of friends.**

Rev T. C. Sproul preached a very comforting sermon at out Church from Psalm 94.12

after which **the remains were viewed by the many friends when we followed the body of our loved one to their resting place in Brookside Cemetery there to sleep until called to the glorious resurrection by the voice of the Archangel**

**May we always remember the love & kindness of the many friends who ministered to our wants through this season of sickness, death & bereavement**

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Wedns 18 A fine day. We were picking up & puting things to rights & cleaning up the house Thurston was at home today

Thurs 19 A fine day. Mrs Campbell Vida King & I were washing this fore-n

I was mowing & doing chores in the afternoon

Frid 20 A fine day. I was hoeing, mowing, & helping in house. Vida came here Tues eve & went home last eve

Sat 21 A fine day. I drove over to Gilford & **got Bill shod in the fore-n. Paid for shoeing 25**

I was drawing in hay in P.M Thurston has been helping C B Jameson on the last three days  
 Sab 22 A fine day. We were all out to Church Services Walter Jameson spent the afternoon here  
 Mon 23 A fine day. quite warm. I was **helping** Mr Campbell **draw wheat**, George was helping E B Jennings draw wheat Thurston was at home **went to the morning train to meet his Papa**  
 Recd of Jos Adams for shearing 1.25  
 He paid a \$1.00 of this to Thurston during Vies sickness & me the ball last Sat  
 Tues 24 Com-ed raining about 9 oc this mornng. I helped Mr Campbell folks **draw wheat until stopt by the rain.**  
 George was helping James Campbell & Thurston went over to help C.B Jameson  
 Wedns 25 A fine day. George was helping Jas Campbell. Thurston was helping C B Jameson, Bro **Geo & I were out canvassing for pictures to enlarge.** No success Paid for trade & postage at Town .40  
 Thurs 26 A fine day. George was helping Jas Campbell. Thurston was at C.B. Jamesons & I was helping John Kirk thresh He is Dr to the same 1.25 Paid Edw-d Otis for a pair of gloves .50  
 Frid 27 A fine day. George helped James Campbell part of the day, at home afterward.  
 Thurston helped C B Jameson. I was at home doing chores picking peas etc  
 Thurston came home this eve  
 Sat 28 A fine day. George was at home & up to Town **Took his Pa to the Train on his way to Alpena,** Thurston went to the train with them, from there to C B Jamesons.  
 I picked a 1/2 bush peas in the fore-n & a 1/2 bush of them again in the afternoon  
 Brother George gave me this mornng 20.00 **to help pay the funeral expenses**  
 George & I put up our mailbox after dinner **Mr Ligget the Barber died very suddenly [Jul 1900]**  
**Tues eve was buried Thurs after-n. Cause of death hemorage or rupture of a blood vessel**  
 Sab 29 Very wartn. Thurston was at home, the rest of us were out to Church Services  
 Mon 30 A fine day. I was doing the washing & puting bottoms onto chairs.  
 George was out to Caro in the fore-n Helping Jos Foster in the after-n Thurston at C B Jamesons  
 Tues 31 A fine day. I was doing house work **churning bottoming chairs pick-g peas** etc George was working at Jos Fosters & Thurston at C B Jameson

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#### AUGUST 1900

Wedns 1 A fine day. **The Ladies Miss. Soc met here today. They all done a fine lot of sewing for Mother for which we are very thankful.** There was 12 adults besides Mother & I & 6 Misses & children & one baby George & Thurston are away to work at the same places  
 I was waiting on Company & horses  
 Thurs 2 A fine day. **I was doing house work & chores & cultivating potatoes**  
 Geo was at Joe Fosters & Thurston at C B Jamesons, weeding beets etc A fine day but very warm.  
 I was choreng & doing house work & cultivating potatoes. Geo was helping Jos Foster & Thurston was working at C B Jamesons  
 Sat 4 A fine day but very warm. I churned carried water & chored in the mornng.  
 Drove over to Almer **about 7 miles away to get a set of Brahma eggs. Pd for 15 eggs 1.00**  
 Got them of a Mrs Wilbur Geo worked at Jos Fosters Thurston was helpg C B Jameson  
 Sab 5 A very warm day The boys were out to S.S & P Meetg  
 Mon 6 Very warm but a fine breeze. I was helping Robt Foster draw in Oats He is Dr to the same 1.25  
 George was helping Jos Foster & Thurston was helping C B Jameson He was home a while this eve  
 Tue 7 Very warm **I was moving hay & straw & cleaning out the Cider Mill.**  
 Mother & I were up Town in the afternoon Stopt at Mr John Kirks to tea on the way home. Recd of him for threshing 1.00  
**Dr Hamilton Dr to 4 bottles of Malt 1.00**  
 Cr by Ultramorene got the same time .15  
 Cr by Linseed Meal got by me today .25  
 Paid S N Aldrich for **20 feet of rope .17**  
 Paid F R Adams for trade .20  
 Geo was helping Jos Foster Thurston was helping C B Jameson  
 Wedns 8 A very warm day **I finished cleaning out the cider mill**  
 & other jobs in the fore-n Drove over to Mrs **Jas W. Arnolds** in the after.  
 Contracted to deliver her 18 rolls of Wall paper & 20 yds of Border for the sum of 2.42



Left Mother at Mrs Annabals as I went past. Stopt to **tea with them** on the way home George was helping Jos Foster **Thurston on excursion to Bay Port**

Thurs 9 A very warm day. I was home til 9.30 Drove up to Town & sold Rev Sproul a bill of Wall Paper Amt 8.(X)  
Sent Alfred Peats & Co of Chicago an order for Wall Paper Amt to 6.88  
Sent the cash by P.O money order Total amt of paper sent for 10.42  
Paid for P.O money order & postage .10  
Pd John Hayward for a shirt .50

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George was working at Jos Fosters Thurston was at work at CB Jameson  
I lent George to buy himself a pair of shoes 2.00 Notions .06  
Frid 10 Very warm. I was washing in the fore-n. Doing house work & chores in the P.M  
I took George over to help Mr John Kirk the ball of the week  
Thurston finished his job at C.B Jamesons. got home this eve  
Sat 11 Quite warm. I was at various jobs in through the day. George helped J Kirk Thurston away in the fore-n **Plowed out potatoes** in P.M Recd this mornng a statement from Alfred Peats & Co of Chicago in ans to one sent Thurs eve  
Sab 12 Cloudy & threatened rain but did not amt to anything. George & Thurston were out to Church Services  
Mon 13 A fine cool day George was helping John Kirk. I **done the washing in the** fore-n.

Wrote a letter to Clara & went to Town in P.M Thurston drewed water cultivated corn etc Recd of Edw Otis in trade for 2 1/2 eggs at .11@ .27

I also paid him for 2 lbs sug-r .12  
Paid Jos Wylie for a sack of flour.60 G. flour.22 .82  
Paid for expressage on Wall paper 1.25  
Sent as order for this last Thurs eve. The paper reached Town Sat eve Pd Mrs Lehman for 2 lbs butter .26

Tues 14 A fine day. A light shower about 1 oc. I was helping about the house work delivering paper etc. Drove over to Jas W. Arnolds with their paper. Dr to the same as we could not make the change 2.42

George helped to shingle Mr Sprouls house

Wedns 15 Nice in the fore-n A heavy shower about 3 oc in the afternoon I was helping about house work in the fore-n Cousin Mary was here from 10 1/2 oc until eve.

Thurston wa at home George helped Sth Brownell thresh I took MR.

Sprouls paper up to them this evening Recd of them for paper 8.00

Paid Jos Wylie for feed, Meal, & Camaille .50

Thurs 16 A fine day. but quite warm. George helped Mr Campbell thresh & Thurston was helping them for Mr Annabal He is Dr to the same I was at home doing house work hoeing & weeding roots

Frid 17 Very warm. A heavy shower here in the afternoon George was **helping Mr Campbell thresh** Thurston was cultivating & weeding roots part of the time. I was doing house work & hoeing & weeding roots Recd of Rbt Foster for drawing oats 1.25

Sat 18 Very warm. George was helping Mr Campbell & Jos Foster thresh.

Thurston was helping Robt Foster & I was at home doing the work

Sab 19 A fine day. George & I attended Church Services

Mon 20 Pleasant in the fore-n. **A terrible fall of rain with wind & hail. rained very hard**

**[This proably ruined a lot of crops ]**

for an hour or more & quite sharp after that until supper time I done the washing in the fore-n & house work in the afternoon George was at home.

Thurston helped Rbt Foster about 6 1/2 hours

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Tues 21 A fine day, but so wet the boys did not go away to work.

Mother & I were up to Town. We were visiting at Mr Wylies. Paid Mr Aldrich for Nails 5 lbs. 1 8 Clevice. 12 Pail.25 and snap.02 .57

Pd Ed Otis for overalls for myself.75 Tob. 12 .87

Wedns 22 A fine day. I com-ed cleaning house. **George at picnic at Bay Park**

Thurston **weeding beets** at Rbt Fosters. Lizzie & Mable Campbell spent the after-n here

Thurs 23 A fine day for comfort but we had 2 quite smart showers this after-n.

I was **doing house work cleaning store room binding fodder** etc

Thurston was helping Rbt Foster & **George com-ed working for E.B.Jennings in the**

## Cider Mill

Frid 24 A warm day George was in the cider mill. Thurston was at Rbt Fosters. Mother & I were up to Town after the rain Took dinner with Mrs Moses & Mrs Butler. Got a letter from Cousin Fannie saying that she wood be in on the eve train Brought her home with us in eve Paid John Hayward for **Sugar Pork Matches & tobacco .73**

lie is Cr by a 25 lb sack of flour I got yesterday .55

Sab 26 A fine warm day until nearly 4 oc when we had a heavy thunder shower George & I **were at home on acct of mud.**

Cousin Fannie Mother & Thurston attended Church

Mon 27 A fine day. Mother & I made a visit at C B Jamesons Fannie went with us & staid George helped Emory. Thurston laid up with sick headache George gave me cash this mornng \$5.00 I lent him a short time ago \$3.00

Tues 28 A fine day but very warm. George worked in the Mill Thurston not well I went over to Sand Percells afters plumbs this morning Paid for 1/2 bush for myself .67

Paid for 1/4 bush for Cousin Fannie .34

J. W. Arnold sent with me for 1/2 bush .68

Recd of him cash to pay it

Wedns 29 A fine day cooler air George worked in the Mill I was washing in the fore-n doing house work in the after-n Thurston drove over to Mr Frank Per-s (?) & got 12 bush sweet apples for kil He paid for them himself .10@ 120 He also got 5 bush of oats of Jos Foster on Georges acct .20 @ 1.00

Thurs 30 A fine day but very warm. Mother & I were up to Mrs Sprouls visiting.

Cousin Fannie came home with us. Paid a pediar for sugar 4 lbs .07 @ .28

Let him have I doz eggs . 11cash . 17 I got this sugar yesterday I took

Fannies **trunk** to the Depot this eve. Pd Ed Otis for Tob .10

Pd Fred Adams for 14 1/2 lbs sugar 1.00

Cheese 1 1/4 lbs. 15 K. Oil I pl. 10 Y Cake.05 .30

Pd Mr Crosby 2 doz can rubbers. 10 Covers 1/2 doz. 1 5 .25

Paid Dr Wright for Medicine for myself 50

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Frid 31 Very warm. I took Cousin Fannie to the Cars for home this mornng.

We were busy canning our pears & plumbs last even-g & today

**Cousin Mary helped us today** & Fannie last eve George worked in the Mill yesterday & today & Thurston helped Jake Lehman thresh yesterday after-n & I dressed a sheep for Jake

Thurs mornng. but did not charge for it **He gave me a piece of mutton** to take home

### SEPTEMBER 1900

Sat I A fine day. I was doing house work spliting wood diging potatoes etc.

George was working in the Mill Thurston **rode his wheel to Vassar**

Sab 2 A very warm day We were all out to Church Services It looked very rainy like about the intermission **George came home with the wheel.** About over when we came

Mon 3 A warm day day We had a light fall of rain this mornng but not to do any harm.

I was washing & hanging out the clothes. George worked in the Mill Thurston lost a 1/4 of a day on acct of rain this mornng. **Cut corn** 3/4 day for JosCampbell

Tues 4 Quite cool this morning A light sprinkle of rain this mornng George worked in the Mill Thurston was cut corn at Mr Campbells in the fore-n Helped thresh at E B Jennings in the after-n. I was at home doing house work

in the fore-n Drove over to John Cofields to do some work in the after-n

Recd of him for castrating 7 shoats .30

Recd of him ball due on tag & shearg .20

Wedns 5 A fine day. Mother & I attended L.M.S. at Cousin Mary Jamesons. Went & came home by Town.

**Paid Hayward for 31/2 lbs pork .32**

Paid Jos Wylie for flour 25 lbs.55 Meal & shts.43 cts .98

George **was in the Cider Mill & Thurston helped E B Jennings thresh**

Thurs 6 A warm day I was doing house work in the fore-n.

**Pulled some beans wed Beets hoed cucumbers** etc George was in the Cider

Mill Thurston helped Emory thresh part of the fore-n  
Frid 7 A fine day but quite warm. George was in the Mill Thurston threshed at  
John Bishops for E B Jennings in P.M Communion fast day Mother & i attended Church  
Rev Smith of Ray Ind assisted Com Ser Mother paid Mrs Adams for a hat 1.25  
Sat 8 Very warm. George was in the Mill. Thurston **was cutting corn** for E B Jennings  
I was doing house work & chores in the fore-n. Attended Church  
in the after-n Pd Crosby for trade .25  
Sab 9 Communion today. We all attended Church, but George did not come home  
still away at bedtime Thurston & I were out in the eve. A very warm day  
Mon 10 Very warm George was in the Mill Thurston was cutting corn at E.B.J.  
I drove over after Mary Cameron this fore-n is going to help us a while  
Pd Frank Wood for rep-g harness .25  
Mr Crosby Cr by trade .92

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He is Dr to 4 1/2 doz eggs, 10 Cash, 42 .92  
George sent with me after med & repairs for **Bye.** & glass forn [ could be **OCR** error don't have original ]  
wind Pd for the same.60 Cr by cash pd me .75  
Tues 11A fine day. A light shower this eve. A heavy wind with it lasting most of the night.  
It took off about 1/2 of the apples left from the storm of George was in the Mill.  
Thurston was cutting corn for Emory  
Wedns 12 Quite cool this mornng A fine day. George was in the Mill Thurston  
was cutting corn for E.B.J. I helped about washing done chores & cut corn the rest of the time  
Thurs 13 A fine day. Helped Mother do the house work in the mornng up to  
Town the ball of the fore-n.  
Pd Ed Otis for a bush of peaches \$1.50 trade.15 1.65  
Pd Crosby for a sack of flour.55 Rice 3lbs.12 .67  
Pd Adams for a collar for George .15  
Paid Hayward for 3 lbs of meat .27  
Pd Tom Barr for 2 new shoes on Billy .50  
George was working in the Mill Thurston cut corn at E. B.  
Jen-s Recd of George for family use 5.00  
Mary went home last even-g came back this fore-noon Vida King made us a visit  
Frid 14 A fine day but quite cool. George was in the Mill Thurston cut corn for  
E.B.J. I was cutting corn & doing chores Took Mary Cameron home this  
eve. Thurston paid for her work 1.00  
Pd Ed Otis for 1 lb Coffee.20 Sugar.25 Cloves.02 .47  
Pd S N Aldrich for 5 lb ball Circle twine.48 Rope.05 .53  
Sat 15 Quite cold this mornng a pleasant day except a light  
spurt of rain about 3 P.M George was in the Mill. Thurston  
cut corn for E.B.J. I drove over to Gilford & got Billy shod  
in the fore-n Pd Andy Craig for the same .50  
Tom Barrs Shoeing Thurs a failure  
Thurston gave me cash this mornng 1.00  
Sab 16 A pleasant day I was at home. The rest of the  
family were out to Church  
Mon 17 A cold N wind I was washing in the fore-n Cutting corn part of the  
after-n Rained some in the night & this mornng. Thurston could not cut corn in fore-n  
so wet Cut for Emory in the after-n George was working in the Mill **Frost**  
Tues 18 A **light frost this mornng** I was doing house work & cutting corn George  
was in the Mill Thurston was cutting corn for E B Jen.  
Wedns 19 Pleasant in the fore-n Light spurts of rain in the after-n George was working in the Mill  
Thurston helped me cut corn in the fore-n To wet in the afternoon I drove up to Town.  
Took J A Douglas'es order for some Wall Paper amt 3.70  
Thurs 20 Rained some last night a fine day. George was working in the Mill.  
Thurston & I were attending the Fair in

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Caro. Thurston is going to stay all night George let me  
have cash this mornng 3.00 Thurston gave me cash 2.50  
Pd for shoes at Flosses for myself 1.75 I let Thurston have the 2nd pair of mine  
Paid for Family ticket to Fair 1.00 Pd for a **wide tined potato fork** .65

Pd for dinner & horse feed .50 Pd for a piece of beef .40

Pd for a small basket of grapes .15 I got home to do chores this eve

Frid 21 A fine day. I was at home & cut corn & done chores

**George & Thurston attended the Fair at Caro**

Sat 22 A fine day. George was in the Mill. Thurston helped me cut corn in the fore-n.

He cut for E B Jennings in the after-n & I was **husking corn & churning** & helping Mother

Sab 23 A fine day. Thurston was at home. The rest at Church

Mon 24 A warm day George was in the Mill. Thurston was cutting corn at E B Jen-s & **herding cattle**.

I finished **curing our corn** this fore-noon was cutting weeds & trimming up Cabbage &

Tomatoes etc digging potatoes for the house in P.M

Tues 25 A fine day. **Geo in the Mill** Thurston cut corn for Emory. I was

churning Washing Carrying water & doing all kinds of busy work

Wedns 26 A fine day. George was in the Mill Thurston was cutting corn for E.B.J.

& I was doing house work etc in the fore-n. Drove up Town in the

after-n Recd of Wm Kinney by his daughter for shearing 1.40

Paid Ed Otis for several articles 1.15

Paid Jos Wylie for part of a bag of bran .15

Thurs 27 A fine day but turned quite cool towards even-g

Thurston & I attended Vassar Fair Geo worked in the Mill all

nt & all day today. Report says that

**Wm Kirk & Miss Hutton were married yesterday after-n [Sep 1900]**

**Wm Grover & Mrs Hollenbeck were Married last Friday**

Pd for dinner at Vassar .25

for Sugar.25 Harness strap .25 .50

For **admission to Fair**.25 & sup & Tob.25 .50

& for a bottle of medicine for myself .25

George gave me cash this mornng \$2.00 Yester-y 1.70 3.70

Thurston is going to stay all night

Frid 28 Sep 1900 Pleasant but a cool air. A light frost last night

I was at home taking care of Mother as **she is quite Sick** The

**boys attended the Vassar Fair**

Sat 29 Quite cool but pleasant. quite a rain last night I was doing house work & **churning**

in the morning Started for John Kirks about 10.30 to tag his sheep. We got up his sheep

but did not tag any until 12.15 I **tagged 50 or more Recd pay .50**

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George was in the Mill Thurston was at odd jobs. I drove up

to Town after taging Paid Ed Otis for trade .43

Dr Wright called to see Mother this mornng. Left her some

medicine & sent some by me. He is Cr to charges 1.00

Sab 11 A fine day. I staid at home with Mother The boys were out to Church,

Cousin Mary came home with them to stay a day or two

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Mon I A fine day. I was at various things. helped some about washing,

husked come corn dug potatoes for the house. several odd jobs

Tues 2 A fine warm day. I was at several odd things

**George was sick all night nearly with pain in the stomach** He did not work today

Thurston com-ed husking at Rbt Fosters yesterday I took Cousin Mary home this even-g

Stopt at Dr Wrights & got some medicine for Mother Paid him for the same .25

He is Dr to 1/2 bush potatoes .30 @ .45

Paid Ed Otis for trade & Crackers .17

Wedns 3 A fine day. I was busy doing house work fixing pickle dishes etc

George was at work in the Mill & Thurston worked at Rbt Fosters

Thurs 4 A warm summer day. I had to do the housework alone as **Mother was quite poorly today**

George was in the Mill & Thurston was husking at Jake Lehmans this allem. He husks by the bush

Frid 5 A very warm day George was in the Mill. Thurston was husking at

J.Lehmans I was doing house work & chores in the fore-n. Attended Congre

gational Meeting in the after-n Paid for stuff at Mr Crosbys 1.25

Paid Dr Wright for Medicine for Mother .25

Recd cash of George \$2.00 of nurston.50 2.50

**Mrs Hunter died yesterday mornng [Oct 1900]**

Sat 6 A very warm day. George was working in the Mill  
Thurston was husking at Jake Lebmans I was helping in the house **spliting wood husking corn**  
etc etc Rose Jameson was here helping Mother. **We put up 12 qts of Tomatoes today,**  
**laid down cucumbers, baked bread** etc I was **working up wood husking corn doing chores** etc.  
Mrs Sproul Cousin Mary & R Jameson took supper with us **Thurston drove up to Town this eve.** Paid for trade this eve  
**Note He was only age 16 and had been driving for years already.**

Sab 7 Quite a nice rain last night. showery the most of the fore-n. Thurston & I  
were out to Prayer Meetg

Mon 8 A nice day. George was in the Mill Thurston was working for Jake  
Lehman & washed & done house work

Tues 9 A fine day. I was churning & doing house work George was in the Mill  
Thurston husked for Jake Lehman I drove up to Town in the after-n

Paid Fred Biles for pants for George & trade .81

Paid Ed Otis for a W. Tub .60

Pd Tom Barr for a bolt .10

Recd of George cash \$1.50 Paid.40 of it for pants &.20 for

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suspenders for him & spent the rest for stuff for family use

Wed 10 to Sat 13 Fine fall weather. George was working in the Mill

Thurston for Jake Lehman (Ed note: a comer of the **page is missing** on this entry) I was doing house work & I drove up to  
town this after-n. Paid Fred Biles for 4 yds towels Paid Ed Otis for a sack of flour &

**package of yeast cakes** Paid Dr Wright for medicine for

Sab 14 A fine warm day. Mother & I attended Preaching & Sabbath School

Mon 15 A fine warm day. I was pulling beans & doing house work.

Attended a political lecture at the Town Hall this eve Burt& of Saginaw spoke

Tues 16 A cold windy day Wind N a very light spurt of rain last night. I finished fixing up for &  
fastening the washer in the tub in the fore-n Was at several odd jobs in the atlem

Wedns 17 Very cold this mornng A very heavy frost last night The first of the season to do any harm.

**I was carrying water & washing** etc George worked in the Cider Mill & Thurston

husked corn for Jake Lehman for the past 3 days

Thurs 18 to Sat 20 George was working in the Mill Thurston & I were **diging & piting potatoes.**

I had to help Mother more or less & **Thurston had to husk corn to keep the horse in stalks**

The boys drove up Town this eve **[Oct 1900]**

**R.E. Stewart died very suddenly Tues from heart failure. Buried Thurs**

Sab 21 A fine day. The boys attended S.S & Prayer Meeting Mon 22 A fine day. George was  
in the Mill Thurston & I were diging potatoes & drawing beans, put them in Jake Lehmans barn

Tues 23 A fine rain last night a fine day to husk. Geo in the Mill Thurston was husking  
at J. Leh-s I was washing husking etc.

**John Burlingames child some 8 years old was buried Sab afternoon**

Wedns 24 A fine day. Geo was in the Mill. Thurston husked at Jakes, I was  
doing house work pulling beans etc Mrs Annabal Dr to 10 lbs beans

Thurs 25 A fine day. George was in the Mill Thurston & I finished diging &

gathering potatoes Mother & I drove up to Town in the after-n

Paid Ed Otis for Flour.55 Pork .50 Sugar.25 1.30

Paid Crosby for a sack of flour .52

Paid S N Aldrich for a coffee pot .60

Frid 26 A fine day. I finished piting potatoes. We pited 11 3 bush & have used some 6 or 8 bush.

Mere was 3/4 of an acre planted 3 1/2 ft apart George was in the Mill. Thurston was husking at J. Leh

Sat 27 A nice day but cloudy the most of the time George was in the Mill. Thurston was

husking for Jake Lehman & I was helping in the house picking apples husking etc

Sab 28 A fine day. The boys were out to Prayer Meeting Mother & I were at home

Mon 29 A mist or light rain this mornng. Set in for a rain about 10.30 We were husking  
for Jake Lehman till stopt by rain Geo in the Mill

Tues 30 A dark cloudy day with squalls of rain George was in the Mill. I drove up  
Town after Cousin Etta Brown this

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fore-n Paid F R Adams for trade .55

Pd Crosby for pork at.08 pr lb .35

Pd for trifles at several places .20

Pd Jos Wylie for bran .20  
Recd cash of George this mornng 2.00  
Wedns 31 A pleasant day I was out canvassing for Wall paper  
Sold R J Jameson Wall paper for his new house Amt of bill 13.49  
Mrs Maxwell Bill of Wall paper 2.79  
Thurston picked apples etc etc George was working in Mill  
Jos Douglas & I looked over accts I owe him a ballance oE9O  
My com on Paper order 5.95

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T'hurs 1 Wet & showery in the fore-n Quite windy in the after-n George was in the Mill.  
Thurston was picking apples, husking etc I was getting orders for paper did not  
sell any but got the promise of some in a few days Frid 2 Quite a frost last night  
a fine day. George was in the Mill Thurston husked 3/4 day at J Lehmans I was up Town  
& tagged Sm Brownell's sheep in fore-n Recd pay .30  
Sent Alfred Peats & Coof Chicago \$10.33 (less .73cts due me) for paper 9.60  
Sent this by P.O. money order I helped Thurston husk in the P.M  
Sat 3 A light frost last night A very fine day. Thurston & I were husking at  
Jake Leh from 8.30 until 4 oc except dinner George was working in the Mill  
The boys were up Town this eve  
Sab 4 A fine day a cool air. The women & I were out to Church Preaching & Sab School  
Mon 5 Pleasant in the fore-n A high wind & got quite cold toward. Quite a frost  
this mornng George was in the Mill. Thurston & I finished husking at Jake Lehmans,  
there was 421 bush We bargained for 2 double rows of stalks are to pay \$3.00 for the 2 rows  
276 bundles 421 bush com.03 1/4 @ 14.03  
Tues 6 Quite a cold air. Thurston & I were drawing out  
stalks from Jake Lehmans. There was 2 fair loads, the 3rd  
loas lacked 2 piles of fodder of 4 shock each. To pay for them 3.00  
We also drew the bal of our beans to Jakes barn & a jag of husked corn in  
Wedns 7 Quite a cold air Com-ed raining shortly after 4 oc this eve Also turned to  
snow about 7 oc this eve Thurston went over to C B Jamesons to work & George  
was in the Mill The rest of us attended L.M.Soc at Mrs McLunies today.  
Delivered to R J Jameson his Wall Paper Recd pay 13.53  
I also delivered Mrs Maxwells, Recd pay 2.79

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Recd of Alfred Peats ball due on bills to this date .73  
He owes me a bal .36 cts on this shipmt .36  
Pd Jos Douglas ball due on accts .90 Paid shipping bill on paper .75  
Thurs 8 A cold chilly air there was toward an inch of snow  
fell last night. George was in the Mill I done the chores,  
cut wood etc. Helped about washing in the fore-n. Worked at home in the P.M  
Frid 9 A cold rough windy day. I done the chores cut wood  
etc. George was working in the Mill  
Sat 10 A damp stormy day. I was cuting wood doing chores  
etc George was in the Mill. Run about all the time today. Thurston not home at 10 oc this eve  
Sab 11 Quite a cold air but pleasant. George & Etta were out to Church. Mother  
& I were at home. Thurston did not get home nor out to Church  
Mon 12 Quite a cold chilly air & cloudy. I helped get things ready for washing in the mornng  
then drove up to Town in the fore-n. **Claude Stewart** came home with me  
I was doing chores & burying cabbage in the afternoon. Buried 15  
heads Paid Edwd Otis for trade for George 2 heavy suits fleece  
lined underclothes & 2 red handkerchiefs 2.00  
Paid him for trade for family use 1.41  
I paid him. 15 pr yd Denham & Lard. 11cts pr lb  
Paid Mr Crosby for Pork 5 lbs.08 @.40 Sugar.25 .65  
Paid Jake Lehman for 2 1/2 bush Oats .55  
Tues 13 A cold North air with snow in the night & the most  
of the day Thurston & Walter took dinner with us I helped  
Etta some about starting to wash  
Wedns 14 A cold wintery day snowed lightly the most of the day. George was in  
the Mill. I was fixing up things in shape for winter

Thurs 15 Quite wintery. A trifle warmer this eve. George was helping E.B.J. I was at several jobs in the fore-n. Drove over to Andrew Kirks & taged 23 sheep after noon Recd pay .30  
Frid 16 A fine day. Drove up to Town this fore-n. At several jobs in the after-n  
Paid FR Adams for Articles for myself \$1.50 Mother 1.00 DTS.40 2.40  
Paid John Hayward for several articles .35  
Paid Ed Otis difference on drawers for Mother .25  
Paid Jos Wylie for 40 lbs bran .30  
Sat 17 A dark cloudy day. a light mist the most of the time Geo helped E B Jen.  
all the week Thurston has been helping C B Jam I was cuting & drawing  
a load of wood in the fore-n. Was cuting wood & doing chores in the after-n  
George took Etta & Amy over to C.B.J this evening. Thurston did come home  
Sab 18 Rained the most of the day. There was none of us out to Church  
Mon 19 Rained the most of the day. Thurston came home this eve & went back  
to C B J after Etta. George was in the Mill I was helping Mother diging in

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garden, roots cuting wood etc  
Tues 20 Cool & cloudy with a heavy shower this eve. George was in the Mill.  
Thurston **was diging potatoes** for E B Jennings I **was pulling & toping Mangles**  
**they were frozen to the ground except the Golden Tankard which fared better**  
Wedns 21 A cold rough windy day I was not at work in the fore-n as the ground  
was terrible wet Covered the Mangle pits in P.M Thurston helped E B Jennings  
George was working in the Mill I had **about 6 bush of Golden Tankard mostly**  
**good & about 8 of Mangles poor on acct of freezing**  
Thurs 22 A fine winter day. Thurston & I com-ed recovering our Potato pits this  
fore-n but the ground was so wet we could not do much. I drove over to  
Wm Fosters sold them a bill of paper for 7.20  
Came home by Town Paid for several articles at several places  
Thurston **went after coal for** E B Jennings in the after-n. George was in the  
Mill **Ab Arnolds wife died yesterday [Nov 1900]**  
Frid 23 A fine day. Thurston & I were drawing straw  
building a rail bridge & recovering potato pits. George Annibal helped us in  
the after-n or part of it. Paid him cash .37 Sat 24 Froze some last night- cloudy  
wind east & com-ed snowing just before  
dark. I drove up Town in the fore-n. Sent Alfred Peats & Co 4.83  
(less.36 my Cr on last shipment) by Postal Order for Wall  
Paper Paid Ed Otis for Flour.55 Sugar.45 1.00  
Paid him for overalls for myself .75  
Paid for money order & postage to Peats Co .09  
Thurston & I finished recovering potatoes & pulled & pitted our Carrots  
Sab 25 A pleasant day N.E. wind. Etta Thurston & I were out to preaching & S S  
Mon 26 A fine day for the time of the year. We **were husking helping put down**  
**carpet in the parlor** etc etc  
Tues 27 A pleasant day but a cool air. George was husking for E.B.J in the fore-n  
making cider in the after-n Thurston about **sick with heavy cold**. I was puting down  
& taking up carpet, cuting wood etc  
Wedns 28 A pleasant day. Geo was at E.B.J. I was up Town in the fore-n.  
Thurston & I went over to the woods after a load in the after-n. Etta &  
Thurston **attended a wedding at Mr Sprouls this even-g A Mr Joel Nevine &**  
**Miss Cora M McClure** of Gratiot County **[Nov 1900]**  
Paid Ed Otis for trade today .81  
Pd for trade at 2 or 3 places .25  
Recd Fosters, R J. Jamesons Wall Paper today.  
Pd expressage on same .40  
Delivered R J Jamesons, He is Dr to the same .79  
Thurston let me have cash to trade 1.00  
Thurs 29 Quite a snow storm in the fore-n pleasant in the P.M Thurston & Etta  
attended Church services . Took dinner at C.B.J Thurston left Etta at the train  
to go to Akron this eve, George away

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Frid 30 Cool & cloudy. George was helping E B.Jennings Thurston & I were cuting wood

husking corn etc. He went to the train after Etta this evening

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Sat 1 Cool & Cloudy. George was helping Emory. Thurston & I were **reseting our Post Office Box.** Some one run into it last night Pulled the post & tore the box off & threwed it into the road where I found it this mornng. We were husking corn cuting wood & various other things

Sab 2 Quite mild but cloudy & fearful roads. George & I were out to S S & Preaching

Mon 3 Quite damp & cloudy George was at Emorys. Thurston & I were **carrying water for washing cutting wood husking corn etc. & doing the chores**

Tues 4 A dark cloudy day. George was at Emorys Thurston was choreing & I was up to Town in the fore-n.. We were husking corn cuting wood etc in P.M

E.J. Otis **Dr to 6 doz & 3 eggs. 16 @ 1.00**

Cr by trade.88 cts Cash . 12 1.00

Paid Crosby for **2 lbs 13 oz pork.07 @ .20**

Pd for tablet **.10**

Recd of R J Jameson bal due on Paper .75

Wedns 5 A cool cloudy day. George was at Emorys. Thurston & I were cuting wood husking corn etc Paid a pedlar.25 for Speck bows for Mother

He changed mine .25

Delivered Mrs Wm Fosters Wall Paper Recd payt 7.20

Thurs 6 A pleasant winter day I was writing letters & called at Jake Lehman's in the fore-n. Thurston & I husked corn in P.M drewed in 34 bush this eve & 15 bush before Gave the Mail Carrier\$ 1.00 & fees.05 1.05

to send to W. A Noyes 835 Powers Block, Rochester New York

Fri 7 Dec 1900 Quite a rough windy day. A light snow fell the most of the fore-n. Thurston was **fixing up things for winter &**

I was up to Town to **see the Dr for Mother in the fore-n.** We were **cuting wood geting out potatoes & roots** in the after-n. Geo was at home Sold E.B.Jennings a calf a heifer 14.00

Dropt May I st 1900 He is Dr to the same 14.00

**Cousin Mary & Mrs Sproul called on Mother.** Took dinner here

Pd Dr Wright for med for Mother .40

Pd Ed Otis for Flour.55 Groc.23 .78

**Mrs Addie Kendall was buried today [Dec 1900]**

Sat 8 Dec 1900 Quite a cold cloudy day wind N & freezing. **George & I were cuting wood & fiting cross.saw &** Thurston was taking care of Grandma. I was in a number of times to look after her.

She was breathing quite easy & resting. Shortly before 11 oc Thurston **came to the door & said he thought Grandma was to warm as she was sweating freely.**

**When I reached the bedroom she was failing fast.**

**Sent Thurston to the stable to call George. before they reached the house she had passed away. to be forever with her Lord in those [Dec 8 1900]**

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mansions he has gone to prepare for those that love him. **Mrs Jennings & Etta** were the only ones present with us **George went after Mrs Campbell & Mrs Annabal to help lay her out then he went after Cousin Mary & telegraphed to Archy George & Angus**

Sab 9 to Tues 11 Quite cool & wintery We were at home making preparations for burial

Wedns 12 Quite a cold chilly day. **The relatives & a few of the friends & neighbors met at the house. after a prayer by Rev Dean the remains were removed to the Church where**

Rev Dean gave us a comforting Sermon from Thess 4,13 in

connection with the remainder of the chapter (Mr Sproul was away from home)

**The remains were viewed by friends then removed to Brookside Cemetry**

to sleep the sleep that knows no waking until the resurrection mornng.

**She lacked 9 days of being 85 y old** She survived Vie by 4 mo 23.

They were warmly attached to each other through life & soon united in the joys of heaven

Thus are our Loved Ones passing away

Thurs 13 Cold & wintery. We were straightening up & puting things to rights.

**I have this record to make concerning our neighbors. They all seemed anxious & willing to render all the assistance that was needed for which we are very thankful**

Frid 14 Cold & wintery. Thurston & I were geting out potatoes working up wood banking roots etc George was building a chicken house in fore-n



Helped E.B.J in P.M

Sat 15 Quite a pleasant day. George helped E.B. Jennings Thurston & I were at odd jobs

He took Etta up to Town in the after-n Vida King came here from the funeral Staid with us until this mornng

Sab 16 A fine day. I was at home. the rest were out to Church Amy Jameson came home with them

Mon 17 A dark cloudy day We were carrying water for washing I helped some about the washing & other tinkering. Thurston husked in the after-n. Geo helped Emory

Tues 18 A dark cloudy day. I was up to Town in the fore-n Amy Jameson went that far with me I was churning & husking in P.M Thurston husked in the after-n.

George was husking for Emory

Wedns 19 A fine day. Thawed a trifle. Thurston & Etta were out to Caro.

George was helping Emory I took up a pit of Carrots topt cleaned & repited them There was 6 1/2 bush besides some to feed that were froze when pulled

I paid for trade at E J Otis,es yesterday 1.20

Lent George cash \$5.00

Thurs 20 A pleasant winter day George was helping E B Jennings Thurston & I were doing chores working up wood carrying water etc

Frid 21 A fine winter day. George was helping E B Jennings Thurston &

I were **husking & drawing corn, put in 43 bush**

Sat 22 A fine day. George helped E.B Jennings Thurston & I husked & drewed 16 bush corn & took out potatoes & roots in the fore-n. We cut & brought

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home a load of wood in the after-n

Sab 23 A heavy shower last night quite a strong breeze from the S. W with spurts of rain Etta & I attended Church

Mon 24 Light flurries of snow through the night. colder today. Thurston was helping Frank Bedell cut wood George was riging up to saw wood I was doing chores etc

**Tues 25 Dec 1900 Christmas Day** Etta & Thurston spent the day at C B Jamesons.

George & I were at E.B.Jennings & I was at home alone in the eve

Wedns 26 Freezing some today. Thurston went to Town after his Pa this morning but the train did not bring him He helped Frank Bedell cut wood in the after-noonn.

**George was moving the Engine & saw to cut wood.** I was at home seeing to things, **drawing water stalks to feed, spitting wood** etc

Thurs 27 Quite a breeze but a fine winter day. George was sawing wood at Hunspergers Thurston helped Frank Bedell & I was doing chores & seeing to things .

**Drove up to the train after Bro George this evening Found him there this time**

Frid 28 Quite a cold wind wind today. George finished cuting wood today at Hunspergers Thurston helped Frank Bedell I was doing chores etc etc

Sat 29 Quite a cold chilly west wind George was cuting wood for Chas Hall,

Thurston was up Town in the after-n. I was doing chores & visiting with George

Sab 30 Quite cold this morning Squalls of snow Etta & I were out to Church There was Preaching & S. School

Mon 31 Dec 1900 Wind N. with a light snow failing most of the day. I drove to Vassar with

**Bro George who is going to Detroit by R R** Thurston at home Geo at E.B.J

**A few young folks met here to spend the even-g They watched the old year out and the new one in, Thus closed the 19 century** Recieved of Bro George a gift of \$20.00 in cash

## **JANUARY 1901**

Ed. Note: This Diary Notebook is the last one in the series and contains an inscription: "**Presented to Uncle Dan Stewart by Thurston Stewart and Ella Brown Dec 25-1900**")

Tues I Pleasant but quite cold the windows were quite frosty this evening. George was helping E B Jennings Thurston & I were seeing to things at home Thus the 20th Century dawned upon us and not one person in 100,000 now living will see its close

Wedns 2 A clear fine day but quite cold. Thurston helped George move the Saw this fore-n

They cut wood for ourselves in the after-n & Etta & I drove

up to Town. Paid F Adams for trade \$1.20 & E J Ofis.25 1.45

Lent Etta Brown for a few days, cash 1.50

**John Sheridan died Tues Cause Typhoid Fever [Jan 1901]**

Thurs 3 Quite sharp today. George was cuting wood for Sam'l Linn. Thurston

was at several jobs. I had a heavy chill last night **staid by the stove today**  
 Frid 4 A mild winter day. George & Thurston cut wood at Linns in the fore-n.  
 George was at E B Jennings & Thurston at home in the after-n I staid indoors.

**Mable Huntzberger died this mornng. Diphtheria [Jan 1901]**

Sat 5 A cold air but a fine day. Thurston helped George move in the fore-n Help  
 Mr Annabal cut wood with the Buzz Saw in P.M I was doing chores carrying water  
 spliting wood etc. Mable Campbell spent the after-n here & Jos the evening  
 Sab 6 Cloudy with snow in the after-n. George & I were out to Church Services  
 Thurston about sick with a heavy cold &

Etta has been about used up the last week with **severe pain in her stomach**

Mon 7 Two or three inches of snow fell last night quite mild today I drewed water & helped  
 wash & odd jobs with chores. Thurston **quite sick** George up Town to get E B Jennings team shod  
 Tues 8 Cloudy & thawing Com-ed raining about 7 oc P.M I done the chores helped George  
 put on a load of corn went to the woods after a log of wood. Then went to the  
 Watrousville station after Bro George took 50 bush corn in the ear to Vassar today.

There waw 27 bush 18 lbs shelled corn. Recd for the same at .40 @ 10.93

Wedns 9 Cloudy but not frosty George was drawing lumber from Vassar.

Thurston not able to work Bro George & I were visiting at R J Jamesons

Paid Ed Otis for trade today 1.37

Thurs 10 A mild winter day. Snowed quite brisk a while this mornng. The boys  
 were at home. George & I spent part of the after-n & eve at Mr John Kirks

Frid 11 Wind N.E with snow towards noon. Snowed quite brisk till 4 P.M

George hauled lumber from Vassar Bro George &

**I attended Mrs Jos Davisons funeral at 11 A.M. Cause of death Liver trouble**

Recd of George of he corn money to pay for trade Wedns 1.00

Sat 12 Quite cold this mornng with squalls of snow. Mild in the after-n. George took

a load of corn in the ear 55 bush to Vassar. There was 31 bush & 39 lbs

(1775) Sold it for .38cts pr bush 12.04 I was spliting wood & geting out apples potatoes

& cabbage & Thurston was drawing a few stalks & wood in the after-n

Sab 13 We spent the eve at E B Jennings A mild winter day. Thurston & Etta were out to Church Services

Mon 14 Cloudy with light squalls of snow & rain in the fore-n. Fair & thawed quite fast

in the after-n. George was up to Town. I was **cleaning out hen houses, visiting**

**taking out potatoes** etc. Thurston was out collecting in the fore-n at home in P.M

Tyues 15 Quite cold this mornng, warmed up & thawed quite fast toward even-g George

was moving the Saw & Engine The rest of us were at John Morrows visiting Etta & Thurston

went home with C B Jamesons who spent the day at Johns with us

Wedns 16 Thawed all night com-ed freezing shortly after daylight. A strong west wind all day.

George was up to Town. Etta & Thurston got home about

noon. I was doing house work in the fore-n **To rough to work out in the after-n** Visited with Bro George.  
 split wood & done chores Recd of Etta cash lent her the 2nd of Jan 1.50

Thurs 17 A frosty N wind. I was doing chores spliting wood etc in the fore-n.

Went up to Town on foot in the after-n Paid E J Otis for trade today .56

Recd cash of George to pay for trade 1.00 The boys were in the woods in A.M

Frid 18 A cold windy day. I spent the day cuting wood doing chores etc

Thurston took the horse up to Town & got him shod in the fore-n. I paid for the same by Thurston.50

Sat 19 A frosty night with snow squalls A pleasant day but quite frosty. The boys were **covering**

**potato & root pits**, about 1/2 day or less. I was working up wood, got out potatoes etc etc

George & Etta drove up Town this eve Ther stood 10 deg below zero at daylight

Sab 20 A fine day. Thawed quite fast Thurston & Etta attended Church I staid at home with Bro George

Mon 29 Thawed all night Turned colder this mornng. Wind shifted to the N with flurries of snow in the after-n

Shifted to the west toward eve. I took Bro George to the train to return to Alpena, this mornng Thurston went as far as Bay  
 City with him Thurston bought a heavy all wool suit at Saginaw

for \$6.48 & a good pair of shoes for.98 7.46

Paid Ed Otis for 2 lbs Crackers .14

Paid Al Moses for cleaning my watch .50

**Grandpa Safford died Sat ' night Cause old age & infirmities** thereof I called  
 on the family this after-n

Tues 22 A fine day. George was helping E B Jennings Thurston was in the

woods in the after-n. **I attended Mr Saffords funeral. He died in his 82 year** I staid at the house to help & do chores Jake Lehman Cr by 72 lbs oats at pr bush  
Wedns 23 Colder this mornng. Sunshine & shadow with light snow squalls George was helping cut wood for Jos Adams. Thurston & I were drawing water for washing, helping, sorting over our poultry etc in the fore-n **Thurston was in the woods & I was spliting wood at the house & fixing up for the chickens in the afternoon**

Thurs 24 Wind N with snow squalls in the after-n. Thurston at home, in the woods in the P.M I drove out to Caro after Expressage it proved to be for another party, Pd for dinner & horse feed .40

George had to come home from the swamp to go to Caro as **the Engine gave out**  
Frid 25 Wind quite cold with flurries of snow. The cold kept increasing until 4 P.M when it cleared off & seemed to moderate a little. George was away the most of the day.

**Thurston was mending mittens & I was busy at various jobs**

Sat 26 Wind South cloudy in the fore-n. Com-ed snowing about 2 P.M The

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boys were cuting & drawing wood in the fore-n. We com-ed drawing in corn in the after-n but had to quit on acct of snow storm.

**Mrs Frank French was buried today Cause of death Cancer of the stomach**

Ther about 10 degrees below zero at 4 P.M yesterday

Sab 27 Quite wintery with flurries of snow. Etta & I attended Church Services

Mon 28 Cold & wintery George went out N.W of Town to cut wood. Thurston was up Town in the fore-n. I was sorting & packing away the womens things We were **cuting wood & doing odd jobs** in the P.M

Tues 29 A pleasant winter day but quite cold. Thurston was up Town & drawing water in the fore-n. Etta & I were washing & doing house work in the fore-n.

Finished packing the womens things We were taking out roots & cuting wood in P.M

Wens 30 A pleasant winter day. Thurston took Etta over to C B Jamesons this fore-n.

He brought my Wall Paper pattens from A Peats & Co of Chicago Got home about 4.30 P.M

I paid him expressage on samples .55 George came **home this eve with a heavy cold**

I was doing house work & **cuting corn shocks loose**

Thurs 31 Jan **Quite a rough day. The boys were both indoors with heavy colds**

**I was chore boy & man of all work today**

## FEBRUARY 1901

Frid 1 A fine day overhead but quite frosty. the boys kept house I was in & around Town canvassing for wall paper.

Paid E J Otis for 4 lbs Oat Meal, Sal@ Crackers, Tob .42

Paid the Butcher for I lb steak. 15 Oysters . I 0 .25

Al Moses Cr by a pair of Spec glasses 1.00

Sat 2 A fine winter day. George was at Emorys the most of the day Thurston was choer boy & I was away canvassing for W paper Took dinner & feed at Andrew Kirks

Sab 3 A cold east wind Com-ed snowing about 3 P.M. Thurston was out to Church Service.

**I was confined to the house with the grip** Walter Johnson called this after-n

Mon 4 Quite a cold wintery day Wind N west. **George went to the swamp some 7 or 8 miles**

**N. W of Town** to cut wood Thurston was up to Town & choreing the rest of the time as

I was not able to be out on acct of the gripp I

**paid for sugar & bread** by Thurston .50

Tues 5 Pleasant but quite cold, Thurston was out trying to collect for George in the fore-n. **Drawed a load of wood** in the after-n **Chored the rest of the time** as I could not be out. Etta came home this eve. Amy brought her

Thurston went back with Amy to get Ettas purse as she came home & left it

Wedns 6 A passable winter day Thurston & Frank Bedell were cuting wood at E B Jennings.

I am still tied to the house

**Old Mrs Hinson was buried today Cause wore out.** She was

Thurs 7 A pleasant winter day Thurston was churning took up a basket full of

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potatoes etc in the form. Cut wood at E.B.J in P-M George came home from the swamp this fore-n

**Walter & Amy** came here about 11 oc A.M were here till bedtime.

**Lucinda** was here part of the after-n & eve. **I am still unable to work**

Frid 8 Pleasant in the fore-n, a chilly east wind in the eve. The boys were in the woods

a short time this fore-n George helped E.B.J butcher a hog in the after-n. came home with a heavy chill

I sat up with him till midnight. A stomach & liver chill I think. Relived after an emetic

Sat 9 There was some 5 or 6 in of snow fell last night. Sunshine & shadow today.

George is up & away this morn  
 Thurston is at his own fussing & I am comencing to chore some today  
 Sab 10 Quite cold & wintery today Thurston & I were out to Church  
 Etta at home George at E.B. Jennings  
 Mon 11 Pleasant in the morn Com-ed snowing toward 9 oc & stormed most of the day.  
 Thurston brought a barrel of water in the morn, **held a chair down the ball of the day.**  
 Chilly with headache. I helped about washing splitting wood etc George went to the swamp again this morn  
 Tues 12 Pleasant but a keen frosty N.wind Thurston at home  
 I was away selling Wall Paper  
 Took Mrs John Davis order. Amt to 8.24  
 Sold Homer Spencer paper Amt to 12.35  
 Alowed him for dinner & horse feed .35  
 Wedns 13 Quite cold wind N. cloudy with squalls of snow. George came home last night  
**went after the Engine today.** Thurston & I went out to Vassar with  
 our chickens 19 of them weighed I 1 9 lbs. Recd.07 pr lb 8.33  
 The old Rooster weighed 6 lbs at .04 .24  
 Paid for 12 1/4 lbs of beef at .06 pr lb .73  
 Paid for horse feed.20 For Bread & Cakes. 13 .33  
 Paid for Thurstons & my dinner .50  
 Thurs 14 Very cold night. **Ther stood at 12 to 15 below zero according to location**  
**Lucinda staid with us last night. [George later marries Lucinda ]** The boys were around home. I was up  
 to Town part of the day. Pd Otis for Oatmeal & Lemons .18  
 Sent Peats & Co a money order for \$10.29 less.36 due me on  
 last shipment order&postage.12 9.93 I went to see  
**Mr Campbell this afternoon he is very sick with Gripp & Toyphoid Ness**  
 Frid 15 A fine day. **Ther 15 below zero at daybreak** George went out to Caro  
 after a load of ice from the Gleaners. I rode out with him Paid B. Him-e for a  
**suit of Clothes, Suspends & tie 8.00**  
 I got them for myself. Are guaranteed to be all wool & to do good service &  
 hold color Paid for an iron drill bit .25 For dinner. 1 5 .40  
 Thurston done the chores got out potatoes etc  
 Sat 16 A fine day George was away Thurston & I were drawing & working up wood  
 & various other things. Sat work

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Sab 17 Cloudy but not stormy until about 4 oc when it com-ed snowing.  
 Etta & Thurston attended Church Services  
 Mon 18 Thawed a little today. Turned colder in eve. George **went to the swamp after wood**  
 for Emory. I helped about washing & Thurston drawed water & wood in the fore-n  
 We husked corn & cut wood in the afternoon Tues 19 Quite a strong west & N.  
 west wind with squalls of snow. Thurston was helping Frank Bedell in the swamp.  
**George went to Tureaux's Mill** with Emory's team **after Cedar shingle slabs to burn,**  
 I rode up Town with him this morn. Was at several jobs in P.M  
 Wedns 20 A cold cloudy day with squalls of snow, wind N.W. &  
 quite strong. Thurston came home from Frank Bedells this morn.  
 I was piling up the shingle slabs George drawed yesterday a tedious job like piling loose shingles  
**George & Lucinda Jennings went out to Caro today & were Married**  
**He was 21 the 3rd of last Dec She will be 21 the 24** of this month Nettie Raymer  
 was here & spent the day with Etta

[ Since Dan's wife and mother died it appears that others have move into the home which he rents. This makes sense since  
 his health is failing. He has been making a living by doing many labor jobs and farming but increasingly his health prevents  
 him from doing this. George just married Lucinda so she will be living there also. Etta (Brown) is a younger cousin of his  
 and he makes several references that she is back home meaning at his location. ]

Thurs 21 A fine day overhead but quite a cold breeze. We were getting out potatoes cuting  
 wood etc in the after-n. Thurston was up Town in the fore noon George called  
 this morning away he rest of the day  
 Frid 22 Pleasant this morn but as the day advanced the wind increased blowed quite hard  
 with squalls of snow quite cold in eve. George brought about 3 cords or over of wood from R Kintners  
 I went up to the Depot after Wall Paper from A Peats & Co in the fore-n, Delivered it in the after-n Recd of

Mrs John Davis for W Paper 8.00 Reed of Homer Spencer for Wall Paper 12.00

Thurston was choer boy today

Sat 23 The coldest mornng of the season Thurston was helping Frank Bedell

Georges folks came home this fore-n, He went to R Kintners after wood in the after-n

Drewed it to Town I took Jake Lehmans Cutter home & chored in the fore-n

Was husking corn in the Mill spliting wood & doing chores P.M

Paid Jake Lehman for 4 1/2 lbs butter.04 @ .63

Sab 24 A cold chilly air. I was not able to be out on acct of a heavy cold

**George wife & Etta attended Church at Town in eve**

Mon 25 A fine day. The boys were husking corn filing cross cut etc in fore-n at the woods

in the after-n I was helping about washing hanging an ax spliting wood cleaning clock etc.

**Mr Ingals, Mrs Layer father buried today aged 81 years. Cause old age**

Tues 26 Pleasant in the fore-n Quite blustery part of the after-n Thurston was helping Frank Bedell.

**[Bedells at some point become cousins. Don't have that info yet. ]**

George was in the woods in the fore-n. had callers in the after-n. I drove up to Town this mornng.

Came home by Mr Kings & took dinner Etta went with me Paid Ed Otis for

Oat Meal 4 lbs .13 Sold Mrs King an order of Paper Amt

Wens 27 A pleasant winter day Thurston was helping F Bedell George was helping Joe Campbell

I was at home husking spliting wood etc

Thurs 28 Pleasant overhead but quite a cold air. George was up to Town in the fore-n.

I was out canvassing for Wall Paper in the after-n.

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Thurston was helping Frank Bedell. There was some 25 of the young folks put up a surprise on Georges folks this eve

**[ In other words it was a surprise party for Lucinda Jennings now Lucinda Stewart. ]**

### MARCH 1901

Frid 1 Sunshine & wind in the fore-noon Cloudy & threatened rain but did not in the after.

George went to die swamp after wood. Let Ed Otis have it. Thurston at Frank Bedell.

I was choir boy Dr Holtz called on me today

Paid him for medicine left the 15th. No charge for today 1.00

Sat 2 A pleasant winter day. George went out to Vassar with a load of wheat for E.B.J.

Thurston came home this fore-n. **Sleighing to poor** I left home about 10 oc took Etta over to Mr Parkers.

I staid till after dinner. **Called on Mr John Kirk on the way home, found him quite sick**

Sab 3 A rough windy day. Wind S.W. until toward eve when it went to the west No Preaching today.

We had a real gale for 10 or 15 min this eve Georges folks attended Church at Town this eve

Mon 4 Thawed quite fast through the day Sunshine & shadow. Wind & snow squalls.

George was helping Joe Campbell Thurston at home this fore-n.

**Took Billy to Town & got his shoes sharpened & set** I paid the Bill .50

Lucinda & I done out **first washing today** finished washing. **Moping & house work** about 10.30

Well done for the first trial

Tues 5 A cold blustery windy day Wind N. by N.W. Thurston at home.

George attended Didefic Rolph's sale. I was looking over Beans Etta Brown called on us

Wedns 6 Froze the **hardest in the house the hardest of any night this winter**

Very cold today with quite a wind & squalls of snow. The boys went Rolph's

after a heifer Geo bought at the sale yest-y I was **sorting beans husking & shelling corn & doing chores.**

Walter Jameson was here towards eve. Took Thurston home with him to work a week or more

Thurs 7 A pleasant winter day. George was up to Town piling wood sold.

I was at home husking & shelling corn spliting wood & doing chores.

The Fanners Club met at Mr John Craigs of Gilford

**Ed Pike & Anna Layer were Married yesterday**

Frid 8 A mild winter day. George was **moving the Saw & Engine** over to Jas Cofields in the fore-n.

At home in the after-n. I was taging sheep at Wm Kirks in the fore-noon

He is Dr to taging & triming 23 sheep & triming tags .50 Sat 9 A mild winter day.

George was helping cut wood at Jas Cofields I was doing chores, **spliting wood**

**and husking corn.** Drove up to Town in the

after-n. Paid Jos Wylie subscription on Christian Nation 1.25

from July 1 st 1900 until July 1 st 1901

Pd him for a bag of Bean .30

I got .50 cts worth of Groceries at E J Otis for George charged to him

Sab 10 Quite a heavy storm of sleet & snow in the fore-noon. Slacked off toward

eve. Thurston & Walter called in on their way over to see Burt Cooking-er  
Mon 11A stormy nasty day. Lucinda & I done the washing in the fore-noon.

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George & I drawed & **husked some corn split wood & fixed the cow stable** in P.M  
Tues 12 A fine day. George was helping Joe Campbell cut wood. Lucinda attended a party at Al Millers  
& I was at various jobs around home

Wedns 13 A storm of sleet from the N. E this mornng. finally turned to snow  
Snowed by spells the rest of the day Frank Bedell & wife spent the day here

**The young people met here to practice for an Exhibition**

**Rans Tibbets folks had a boy come to them last night [baby born]**

Thurs 14 Quite a mild day. Flurries of snow in the after-n George went to Vassar for E.B. Jennings.

I was drawing corn & water & doing chores in the fore-n. Went over east to sell

Wall Paper P.M but did not find the parties at home

Frid 15 Quite a strong chilly N wind with light snow squalls. Cleared off  
toward eve. George was buzing wood for Mr Way. I was drawing & husking  
corn, splitting wood doing chores etc

Sat 16 A fine day. George was cuting wood at Ways. I was drawing & husking corn splitting  
wood, doing chores, the same as usual Drove over to Frank Arnold to show Wall Paper

Sab 17 A fine day. I was out to attend Church but they were afraid to have Church on acct of  
the plastering on the ceiling failing & liable to fall. Held Prayer Meeting & S.S at R. J. Jameson  
I called to see Mr John Kirk on the way home. Took dinner with them. Thurston & Walter took  
dinner here Mon 18 A fine day until near eve when the wind sprung up for the N E and got quite cold.

There **was thunder & lighting & sleet about 10 oc in the eve** Lucinda & I washed in the fore-n.

I was **drawing & husking corn. splitting wood** etc George was away **sawing wood**

Tues 19 A cold chilly N.E wind with sleet & rain. I was drawing & husking  
corn. Splifing wood & doing chores. Geo was over to Weighs sawing wood

Wedns 20 A storm of sleet again last night & the most of the fore-n George finished  
sawing wood at Ways & moved the saw to Tom Perceys. I was doing chores splitting etc

**Drawed the last of our corn**

Thurs 21 A cold chilly S & S.W wind with squalls of snow. I finished husking & George drove up to Town this mornng We  
put up 20 bush of corn after his return in the fore-n. He brought some straw from E B Jennings & I was canvassing for W  
Paper in P.M Etta Brown came home with Geo from Town

Frid 22 A fine day. George was helping E.B Jennings draw hay. I was cleaning up the Mill taking out apples etc in the  
fore-n was out with Wall paper in the afternoon drove up to Fairgrove Etta rode up with me George drawed a ton of hay  
from E.B.Jennings

Sat 23 A fine spring day. George helped E.B. Jennings part of the fore-n Went up to Town afterwards. Thurston came  
home yesterday fore-n Was **flailing** at our beans at Jake Lehman's today.

[There is a free swinging wood bar hooked to a chain on a long pole which is used to beat crops called flailing]

I was out canvassing for Wall Paper. Took dinner at C B Jamesons. Etta came home with me

Paid Jos Wylie for a bag of bran .25

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Paid F.R. Adams for a pair of Rub-r shoes .65

Sab 24 Rained through the night with some Thunder. Rainy & rainy like in the fore-n. Pleasant in the after-n No Church  
Service today **Grace Wilbur was buried today Consumption**

Mon 25 Warm Quite a thunder storm in the night. Showers went around today.

Quite a shower here this eve. George was sawing at Thomas Perceys.

Thurston drove up to Town He received of E.J. Otis for Beans at \$1.40 @ 3.07

Hepaidme \$2.00 Kept the bal for threshing

Tues 26 A fine day. George finished sawing at Perceys and  
moved the rig to Petershans Thurston was around home picking up & packing his things

I was at home. Dug out a bushel of apples split wood.

Helped Thurston fix his boxes etc Rbt Foster called here this eve

Wedns 27 Quite a cold North wind Geo was sawing wood at E Peterhans.

Thurston was up Town in the fore-n, at home in the after-n Kecd of Rbt Foster for tag 15 sheep .25 I was at it about 2  
hours. At home in the P.M **Cleaned & repaired the small hen house** in the afternoon.

**Lucinda went with George today** & Etta Brown started for E B Jamesons

Thurs 28 Cold N wind in the fore-noon Milder & thawed in the afternoon.

George was sawing wood at E Peterhans & Frank Culburt. Thurston at home in the fore-n,  
Went over to C B Jamesons in the P.M I was home & busy at several things

Frid 29 A pleasant spring day. George finished sawing at Culburts moved to

D MtGomery's & sawed the rest of the day. I was at home doing a little of every thing  
Thurston & Walter was here after his trunk this eve. [Thus the world goes](#)  
[Thurston poor boy has started out all alone to make his way through](#)  
[the troubles & trials, joys & sorrows of life](#) & our Father in Heaven we pray thee go  
with him to guide & cheer him to comfort & keep him through life, & fit him for the joys  
of heaven when lifes course is run, **Farewell dear boy, farewell.**

**[ Don't know why Thurston moved out. But We can see that Dan misses him. And I can testify that Thurston at  
age 82 still spoke very highly of his Uncle Dan and Aunt Vie. ]**

Sat 30 Cloudy with a cold chilly east wind George finished at MtGomerys in  
the fore-n. Moved his saw in the afternoon. I was up to Town & helped clean  
our Church Paid for 4 lbs oil Meal.05 .25 & for repairs on single harness.05  
I took dinner with R J Jamesons folks. Etta came here last eve

Sat 31 A fine day. I was out to Church Went home with R J  
Jameson to attend Presbyterian Church. Rev Todd is going to Preach a Temp Sermon

#### APRIL 1901

Mon 1 A fine day. **We were attending Town Meeting today.** We got home around 4.30 this eve

Tues 2 A chilly eastwind cloudy all day with snow squalls toward eve George was at home **about sick** I was out selling

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wall paper Paid Olie Johnston for 10 qt pail & bason .15

Paid Jos Wylie for a bag of bran .25

Wedns 3 Apr 1901 A cold chilly east wind. George was helping get ready for an  
exhibition at the School House, this eve. I

recd of Sm Brownell for taging 63 sheep today .90

So cold I quit when I finished his flock **Attended an**

**exhibition at the School House this eve, given by the young folks of the district**

Thurs 4 A fine spring day. George drewed a load of wood for  
ourselves & our stuff from the S House in the fore-noon Moved the Saw from Scotts to Bloomfields  
in the after-n. I was on the road Jas McLuney Dr

to tag-g 15 sheep & castg & dockg 6 lambs .30

Recd of Rbt Cofield for tag 4 sheep & dock & cast lambs, cast  
shoats 7, ringing & filing black teeth etc .30

A Atkinson Dr to tag 7 sheep, dock & cast 7 lambs cast Y Bull.15

Recd of John Mills for taging 9 sheep alone .18 Frogs singing

Frid 5 A nice spring day. George was away sawing wood. I was making out orders for wall paper,  
writing & choreing in the fore-n. Up to Town in P.M

Sent Alfred Peats & Co of Chicago a postal order for 10.36

\$ 10.00 of this amt for Paper ordered, .36 cts amt due them

Paid for money order & postage

Sat 6 Cloudy with quite a cold N wind George finished sawing at Bloomfields and moved  
to Townsends. I was at home **grinding sheep shears, splitting wood, preparing stalls** etc

Sab 7 A fine day. I attended Church Services. Thurston & Etta came home with me  
Thurston went back to C B Jamesons this eve

Mon 8 A cold chilly N. wind. George was away sawing Etta went away in the  
after-n I drove over to John Cofields & taged 33 sheep & castrated 3 or 4

shoats. He is Dr to the same .60

Taged 20 for Henry Miller in the after-n. Dr to the same .30

Tues 9 A cold chilly wind this fore-n Quite pleasent in the  
after-n. George was sawing wood at Townsends. Brought the Saw

home this eve Recd of Mark Hobart fot taging 39 sheep .65

Recd of And Kirk for taging 26 sheep this after-n .40

Wedns 10 A fine day overhead, but a strong chilly N wind. George **was skiding wood**  
for Emory. I was **sowing clover seed** for R J Jameson. The most of the ground  
was very wet hard walking Dr to .90

Thurs 11 A pleasant day. Frost the last 2 mornng - cold air  
from the north George was helping Emory. Wm Kinney Dr to taging 30  
sheep this fore-noon .50

I was over to C B Jamesons a while in the afternoon. Sold

Mary a bill of paper amt 3.50

Recd of Peats & Co paper for Walls to aint of 9.11

They owe me a ball on paper they could not furnish of .89  
 Frid 12 A fine day but cold air, George was cutting wood with cross cut at Emories. I was delivering Wall Paper  
 Recd of Wm Stottard for wall paper 7.34  
 Recd of Mrs Cornell for Wall Paper 1.82  
 Recd of Mrs Wylie for Wall Paper 8.50  
 I discounted Mrs Wylies paper .36 cts & she refused to take an extra roll worth .22 cts that I thought she needed  
 In reference to Mrs Wylies Wall Paper to make the case plain, I discounted it on acct of price & guaranty .36 I also put in the border at roll price saving her .45 cts more making her a total of .81 saved in her expense When I delivered the paper she refused to take an extra roll ordered as I thought I had figured the dose  
 I took dinner at C B Jamesons today. He is Dr to taging 8 very large sheep & cast a Calf .15  
 F. R. Adams Cr by a McIntosh over coat 2.00  
 Paid him for 20 lbs coarse salt .10  
 Paid Jos Wylie for a flour sack of feed .19  
 I also paid him the ball due on Christian Nation .63  
 Sat 13 A fine spring day. **Lucinda was taken sick in the night.** George went after Dr Handy this mornng. Staid at the house today. I rode out to Vassar with Emorys boys. Pd Dr Holtz for med-e 1.00  
 Paid W B Cavers for sausage beef pork .68  
 Through their mistake or mine I did not get the sausage.  
 Recd of W. B. Cavers 1.84  
 There was 4 late full Chickens weigh-d 23 lb alive .08 @  
 Sab 14 A fine day. I was out to Preaching & Sabbath School Met Thurston at Church is well  
 Mon 15 A fine day. George has taken E B Jennings farm for one year. Com-ed preparing ground for oats this mornng. I was at several jobs in the fore-n. Taged 33 sheep for Chas Hall in the after-n. Dr to the same .55  
 Tues 16 A fine day. George was working oat ground & sowing oats I was at home in the fore-n **uncovering pits, burning cornstalks** etc Went to Cofields & A Adams to tag Could not see to it Taged 16 for J.D.Clark coming home, Recd pay 28  
 Wedns 17 Rained through the night & this fore-n Dark & showery in the after-n Spent the day at home George put in the most of the day tinkering  
 Thurs 18 Snowed quite brisk the most of the fore-n Geroge & wife were up Town this fore-n & I was canvassing for paper etc in the P.M Pd F R Adams for 2 lbs Crackers .12  
 Paid H Gaylord for 5 stamped envelopes & 5 stamps .21  
 Frid 19 Did not storm but quite a cold N wind & grew colder toward I drove up Town after the mail & other things Came home by Wm Blairs Sold them wall Paper amt 1.37  
 Paid F R Adams for cheese . 1 5 .15

Etta Brown came here this eve from Akron  
 Sat 20 Cloudy & cold with a very strong N. wind I was at home in the fore-n looking after the cow. Had a very fine large Bull calf 14 days over time. I was out canvassing making out an order etc. Sold Mrs Albert Cartwright Wall Paper for two rooms amt of Bill 2.88  
 Sent Peats & Co an order of Wall Paper amt 5.64  
 The amt sent then was \$2.82 less .89 cts of a ball due me on the last order 1.93  
 Sent by P.O order. Cost of the same & postage .07  
 Paid Fd Otis a note given Geo Hinson of 7.82  
 given Apr 19th, 1900 Int on the same .47  
 Sab 21 Snow Squalls this fore-n with rain in the afternoon. A cold N wind Etta & I were out to Church Services  
 Mon 22 Rained all night & part of the fore-n, Cleared off wartsn about 10 oc I was helping the boys



about mowing away straw hay & bean fodder etc etc E B Jennings Cr by a bag of oats got today  
 Colder this eve but I guess it will not freeze I set 2 hens this eve  
 Tues 23 Quite mild. misty a while in the mornng. Sunshine & shadow in the after-n. I was at home in the fore-n  
 Took Etta over to C B Jamesons in P.M She came back with me **Found Thurston well**  
 Wedns 24 A heavy fog until 9.30 when it com-ed to lighten up. I got to Orville Otis'es in time  
 for dinner. I taged 23 sheep for him after dinner. He is Dr to the same .40  
 Thurs 25 Quite spring like today I took Etta over to C B Jamesons We got  
 there just in time for dinner I taged sheep in the after-n J. Falkner Dr to tag &  
 trimming 15 sheep .30  
 Om Otis Dr to taging & trimming 7 sheep .14  
 Lent George for a few days Cash 2.00  
 Frid 26 A fine spring day. I was out toward the **Bay nearly to half way House trying  
 to collect for wood sawing done by George last winter nearly made a failure of it**  
 Took dinner at Elias Gibbs **fed the Horse also**  
 Sat 27 A fine day. I was over to Jos Fosters & sheared 8 sheep for him. got there about 8 this mornng.  
 quit work at 2 oc & came home to get & deliver  
 Wall Paper Paid Alex Agnew for setting two shoes .25  
 Paid Wm Johnston fi-eight on Wall Paper .42  
 Albert Cartwright Dr to Wall Paper 2.88  
 Recd of Mr Cornell for Paper by Emma Cwneron 1.04  
 Paid Mr B.H. Comell for the ? Paper ? last year 1.00  
 Nrs Wm Blair Dr to Wall Paper 1.37  
 Recd of Miss Laurs Davis for I Roll W. Paper .35  
 Sab, 28 A fine day. I was out to Church Services Thurston was here this P.M  
 Mon 29 **I sowed oats** south of the orchard for George in the fore-n. I was over to help rig up  
 the Church for plastering in the after-n Gave John Cameron an order on  
 Albert Cartwright for \$2.88 to collect it for me

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Tues 30 A fine day. I was over to Jos Fosters & finished shearing his sheep 19 head.  
 Recd pay 1.75 leveled down two old Mangle pits etc after I got home

#### MAY 1901

Wedns 1 A fine warm day. I was over to Henry Millers & sheared 20 sheep. He  
 is Dr to shearing \$1.50 Taging Apr 8th.30 cts A pair of old shears .20 cts 2.00  
 Thurs 2 A warm day. Quite an electric commotion last eve.  
 No rain here but it rained heavy at Cass City. I was out to Caro Paid for  
 sheep shears \$1.25 Whetstone.10 Dinner. 1 5 1.50  
 Paid Himelhoch for a straw hat.25 Tob . 10 for horse . I 0 .45  
 Frid 3 Quite cold this mornng but pleasant I sheared 15 very  
 fat heavy sheep for Rbt Foster I was at work 3/4 of a day. He is Dr to the same 1.50  
 Sat 4 A light frost last night. A fine day. I got over to  
 Wm Blains about 9 oc Sheared & done the wool of 5 sheep in  
 A.M Recd of Blairs for W paper \$1.37 Shearing.50 1.97  
 Drove over to shear for C.B. Jamesons after dinner but there  
 was no man at liberty to help me I came home by Town Paid  
**for ice cream** .10 Repairs on harness.10 & Tobacco.10 Screws.02 32

The **old man Leitson was killed by falling off his wagon yesterday** afternoon  
**the wagon ran over him, Caused by a line breaking & he stept on the**  
**Whiffle trees to reach it when the team started & threw him under the wheels**

Sab 5 A fine day. **I did not go to Church as George wanted the horse**  
 Mon 16 A fine day. I drove to Mr Kings & Fairgrove & from there to Mark  
 Hobarts & sheared sheep 3/4 day. I sent Alfred Peats & Co of  
 Chicago a postal money order of 3.09  
 to pay for Wall Paper ordered, Pd for order & postage.08  
 Paid for ajug I gal . 10 cts Suspenders . 10 .20  
 Tues 7 A fine day,. I finished for Mark Hobart at 3 1/2 oc  
 P.M Time 1 1/2 days He is Dr to shearing 39 sheep \$3.00 Cr  
 by I Gal Maple Syrup\$ 1.00 Bal due 2.00  
 Staid at Mr Hobarts last night

Wedns 8 A warm day. Rained a trifle last night with a sort of mist or light rain  
 this eve. I drove over to John Allens to shear this mornng. His sheep were to

wet. Drove over to Jas Parkers & sheared 8 Dr to the same .64  
From there back to C B Jamesons & sheared 7 head of sheep.  
He is Dr to the same .60  
Thurs 9 A showery day with light spurts of rain. I staid all  
night a C B Jamesons Drove over to the R R Depot & got the  
wal I paper distributed & got home for dinner  
Recd of Cousin Mary Jameson for Wall paper .59

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Recd of Mrs Orville Otis for Wall Paper 1.70  
Recd of Mrs Cornell for Wall Paper.38  
Mrs David King Dr to Wall Paper 1.66  
George L Stewart Dr to Wall Paper 1.85

Frid 10 A cloudy with light spurts of rain through the day. I went over to Pike Bro to  
shear but found them wet. Came home. Dan Parish came after me about 2 oc.  
I com-ed shearing about 3.15 & sheared 94 lbs of wool from 10 sheep from then until eve  
besides stoping for supper. He is Dr to the same .80  
Sat 11 A rainy showery fore-n. Pleasant in the after-n. I sheared 14 sheep for Mr  
John Allen. He is Dr to shearing, Cast & dock 1.25  
Cr by 2 1/2 bush oats .63 Cr by cash to ball .62 1.25

Sab 12 Rainy & rainy like so I did not go to Church as there was no Services there on acct of plastering it

Mon 13 Rained quite hard last night showery like but did not rain very mush  
Recd of Pike Bro for shearing 23 & cast & dock lambs & 3 calves 2.00  
Tues 14 A fine day & quite warin Recd of Walter Scott for shearing 14 sheep 1.10  
Recd of Mrs Browning for shearing 3 .24  
Ben Marr Dr to shearing 12 sheep .95  
Wedns 15 A fine day. I sheared 6 sheep for Jos Cofield this  
fore-n. Cast & dock 16 lambs Recd payt .75  
Sheared 15 for Jos Adams in the after-n Cast & docked 15  
lambs & calf Dr to the same 1.25  
Thurs 16 A pleasant day. I sheared 18 heavy sheep for Jake  
Lehman & cast lambs 4 calves Recd pay 2.00  
Paid him ball due on 5 bush oats .25

Frid 17 Rained a trifle this mornng with quite a thunder  
shower about 3 1/2 P. M Recd of Al Miller for shearing 22 sheep 1.75  
George finished sowing 5 acres beets at noon

Sat 18 A fine day. Cooler this eve I sheared 21 sheep for E B Jennings after 9  
oc, 6 more to shear as soon as poss-e

Recd of H Miller by son yesterday for shearg 2.00

Sab 19 A showery day but did not rain very much. I did not go to Church on acct  
of rain. Thurston & Walter were here a short time toward evening

Mon 20 Wet & showery this morning I drove over to John Faulkners to shear  
but found his sheep wet came home & staid until after dinner Sheared 11 sheep for Atkinson  
& Caufield in the afternoon, Recd pay for the same .95

Drove up Town this eve paid expressage of .40

on 4 books of sample W Paper from Bosch & Co of Chicago

Tues 21 Pleasant in the fore-n showery & wet in the after-n.

Recd of Jas McLuney for shg 14 head of sheep this fore-noon 1.00

Recd of tag .30

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I was at home in the afternoon

Wedns 22 A fine warm day. I was shearing part of the day. for John Faulkner did not  
commence shearing until after 10 oc as his sheep got wet yesterday. Sheared 15 head.  
Cast I year Bull calf 4 B lambs & 3 spring pigs. He is Dr to  
the same includ-g taging 1.50

Thurs 23 A fine warm day. I was at Emories shearing cleaning barn floor stable  
etc. Did not commence shearing untill nearly 10 oc Sheared **6 sheep incd a**  
**240 lb Buck** finished shearing about 1 1.30 Dr to the same 2.30

Drove up Town & over to A Atkinsons to change late potatoes  
for early ones but I did not find him at home left a bag full to change,  
Pd Rbt McLuney for for 2 straps 2 single harness .50

Frid 24 Quite a thunder storm last eve & rained through the night Misty & rainy with a heavy chilly north wind. Communion Fast Day I went in time for the 11oc Service but found the Church locked. Drove over to Mrs King & staid until Church time at 2 oc  
Sat 25 Pleasant overhead but a cold north wind, I was doing various things in the fore-n. Attended Church in the after-n, Drove up to Town after Church

Services Recd of Ben Marr for shearing the 14 inst .95

Recd of Danl Parrish for shearing the 10 inst .53

Changed a bag of potatoes with Rbt Canfield

Sab 26 A fine day. Communion today. Met Emma Jameson of

Ray Ind at Church for the last 3 days

Mon 27 A cold North wind & quite strong. Recd of Jas

Brodworth for shearg 20 sheep 1.60

Recd of Del Smith for shearing 5 sheep .40

**Cast & docked 26 lambs & 2 Bull calves for them**

Tues 28 Staid at Jas Brodworths last night. Sheared for his Father today. He had 31 all told of which I sheared 25 of the hardes@ **trimed their feet & done**

**up several fleeces.** He is Dr to the same 2.00

Paid John Haywood on store acct 1.50

Paid Elmer Jameson ( Sabbath) traveling Expenses to Synod.30

Wedns 29 Quite cold & cloudy comed raining about 8 oc I staid all night at Mr Brodworths castrated or docked 26 lambs & helped tar the sheep before breakfast. Started for Elias Gibbs's com-ed raining when I was about 1/2 way there by the time I got there they were to wet to shear

Recd of Jas Brodworth yesterday for shearing 20 S 1.60

Recd of Del Smith the same time for shearing 5 .40

Thurs 30 A pleasant day but cold air I was at home until

10 1/2 oc when I started out to find shearing. Stopt at Wm Kinneys & took

dinner. Found shearing at John Mills's Sheared 8 head & tied up the wool Recd pay .75

Frid 31 A pleasant day but quite cold **I sheared 23 head.** Tended to the lambs etc at Wm Kimeys He is Dr to the same 1.90 Paid J. Lehman for 2 1/2 bush oats .60

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Paid E. J. **Otis for tobacco** .25

#### **JUNE 1901**

Sat 1 A cold N. wind the most of the time. I sheared 11sheep at Leitsons

besides castrating & docking E B Jennings Dr to the same 1.25

I quit shearing at Leitsons about 1 oc P.M came home & ate a

bite of dinner then drove over to Ory Otis'es & sheared 7

head of sheep for him after 4 oc. Recd pay .56 for shearing & .14 for taging .70

Paid John Hayward on store acct 1.00

Gave George a Dollar to pay a hand today 1.00

I paid at the market for beef this eve .20

George was planting corn on E B J Frost last night

Sab 2 Pleasant in the fore-noon A light shower about 3 oc in the after-n I did not go to Church as there was no Preaching. Thurston & Walter called a while. Took dinner with us

Mon 3 A pleasant day. There was a light frost last night. I was shearing at Sth Brownell

George was making garden & planting potatoes

Tues 4 A fine day & quite warm Staid all night at Sths & sheared for him again today.

Wedns 5 A fine day but very warm in the after-n I finished shearing at Sth

Brownelis a few minutes before 11oc Sheared 63 head all told.

He is Dr to the same 5.00

I staid at Sths all night, took the horse up to Agnews & got him shod before breakfast.

Paid for 2 new shoes & set-g .50 Drove to Welch McCloy's in time for dinner, Taged & sheared 10 sheep for him before supper time. Recd payt .90

Drove to Elias Gibbs and put up for the night

Thurs 6 Quite mild this mornig with light spurts of rain in the fore-n I could not shear until 10 oc as the sheep got wet early this morning

Frid 7 A strong cold west wind A person needed an over coat to ride I finished

hearing for Elias Gibbs shortly before 11oc **but they would not let me start out until after dinner**

He is Dr to taging & shearing 27 head 2.16 [ **Act of Kindness** ]

George was **working out the sugar beets with a hand cultivator**

& Clarence was planting potatoes

Sat 8 A cold night & morning. Warmed up towards noon. I was at home in the fore-n  
Drove out to Caro in the afternoon

Paid Lazelle Bro for a pair of \$1.25 Sheep Shears 1.00  
Paid Sam Craig for 2 new horse shoes & setting .50

**Paid the butcher for 2 lbs of sausage .25 Balogna. 10 .35**

Sab 9 A fine day. I was not out to Church as **Georges folks borrowed my harness**

Mon 10 A fine day with a light squall of rain in the  
evening. Recd of Wm Kirk for shearing 22 sheep 1.75

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Recd of John Davis for shearing 3 sheep this eve .25

Tues 11 Very warm with quite a thunder shower about 9.30 I

was shearing sheep for John Cofield today. Shd 25

Wedns 12 Very warm today. I finished shearing at John

Cofields 8 head 33 all told Castrated 2 calves 4 shoats & 18

lambs besides He is Dr to the same \$2.65 Taging etc in the spring.60 3.25

Thurs 13 The warmest day this week I was shearing for

Orvill Otis today, Sheared 22 sheep \$1.75 Taging.40 2.15 Recd Pay 2.15

George with 2 hands com-ed weeding beets I sheared 22 sheep for Orvill Otis

Frid 14 A fine day but very warm L was at odd jobs around home **I lent George  
to pay off Clarence Jennings Cash 25.00**

George with 2 hands were weeding beets Quite a thunderstorm east of us

Sat 15 A fine day for business. **George with 2 hands was weeding beets. I was  
repairing the buggy & choreing** till 9.30 I started for Caro at 10.30 I paid

Sami Craig for setting & new bolting the buggy tire 1.50

Paid for **a bag of bran**.30 Sausage.25cts .55

Paid for a whip.25 Paid for dinner. 1 5 Jug.08 **Phosphate** .12 .60

Recd of Sth Brownell Thursday eve Shearing acct 4.75

Mr Fritz extracted 8 roots of old teeth for me

Sab 16 A fine day. I was out to Church Services Thurston &

Walter spent the afternoon here

Mon 17 Cloudy but warm & pleasant when there came up a light thunder  
shower & passed partly over us to the east when it turned & came back with  
a regular downpour. I helped about washing in the fore-n. At odd jobs in the  
after-n George & wife were out to Caro in the after-n. Let George have an  
order against Lazell Bro for .65

Recd of John Faulkner shearing acct of 1.50

Tues 18 A fine day. I drove to Gilford to get some light beet hoes but failed.

Was also **trying to collect on shearing** Stopt at Mark Hobarts & castrated or  
docked 30 lambs besides sliting their ears & taring Recd of him \$2.00

Shearing acct &.25 & dinner for today 2.25

Recd of John Corield for shearing \$2.65 Taging.60 3.25

Paid for cod fish. 16 Meal. 15 Swivel Clevice. 1 2 .43

Wedns 19 A fine day. George & hand were in the beets so far this week except  
the after-n he went to Caro. I was badly under the weather today. A real  
bilious turn Paid for tobacco at Gilford yesterday .25

Thurs 20 A fine warm day. I was choreing around the house and barn George  
& George Hall Will, Frank & Milton were working in the sugar beets

Frid 21 A pleasnt day but quite warm Goerge & Harry Honsinger with the gang  
he had yesterday **were working beets** I drove out to Vassar with a grist of  
wheat. There was 5 bush & 25 lbs.65 @ Paid for 4 lbs of nails. 12 Ball on

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changing meat.05.17

Paid for dinner. 1 5 & for horses in the barn. 10 .25

Sat 22 A fine day. I drove out to Caro this fore-n to get  
George's horse shod & to see Dr Livingston Paid him for  
perscription.50 Druggist for filling.50 1.00

I paid S. Craig for shoeing George's horse .25

Paid for buggy paint & sand paper .70 Set 2 hens eve

Sab 23 A fine day. I was out to Church Services. Thurston was here a while

Mon 24 A fine day. Very warm in the after-n. I helped about

the washing & churning in the fore-n. Recd of John Hughs .60  
for shearing 7 sheep this after-n  
Tues 25 Very warm We had an electric storm this after-n &  
just a mere sprinkle of rain. I was running the mower in the  
fore-n. Started to rake up in the after-n there was every  
appearance of a heavy storm so I unhitched & came to the barn  
Paid for repairing a shoe by George .10

Wedns 26 Very hot today. I was over to Rans Tibbets & sheared 14 good grade sheep, Grades up from fine wool  
Recd Pay 1.30

George & Harry have been cultivating beets & haying so far this week. The boy cult etc

Thurs 27 **Exceedingly warm to warm for man or beast to labor.** I was **turning grindstone mowing & choring** Gorge  
got up a fine stack of hay today Carl Stoddard & Harry Honsinger were helping A great many reported overcome by heat  
yesterday Claimed that the ther run from 96 to 100 in shade 100 to 125 in sun

Frid 28 **The most oppressive heat of the last 4 days.** I was making a gate for the  
stable door & raking up hay. George & his men were drawing & stacking

Sat 29 A fine day. Quite a strong W by S.W wind. I was churning finished the gate etc in the fore-n. Raking hay in the  
after-n George & his men were stacking all day

Sab 30 Very warm I was out to Church Services. Thurston spent the after-n here

#### JULY 1901

Mon 1 Very warm. George & Harry were cultivating & hoeing in the fore-n. Putting up hay in the after-n E.B. Jennings run  
the mower. I was helping wash etc in the fore-n Raked up hay in the after-n

Tues 2 We had a fine rain here about 4 oc this mornng. Some heavy claps of Thun-r I was doing several odd jobs in the fore-  
noon Raking & bunching hay in the afternoon Georg & Will bunched it in the afternoon

Wedns 3 A fine day. I was **churning. Cleaning chicken coop carrying water** etc in the fore-n & run the mower in the  
after-n. Took Willie up Town in the eve

Paid for 5 lbs sugar.38 Lemons. 13 Pea Nuts. 10 .51

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Thurs 4 A fine day. George Harry & Emory were stacking hay yesterday & Emory & George finished the stack today. I  
mowed in the fore-n & raked up hay in the after-n A light shower this eve

Frid 5 Quite warm again today. We had a heavy rain about 5 P.M George

**drawed gravel.** I went **berrying** etc in the fore-n. We were **spreading raking & bunching hay** in the after-n Will got  
back at noon & E B helped in the after-n Sat 6 A pleasant day except a strong west wind George Harry  
& Will were **weeding beets** until 9.30 was spreading bunching & drawing hay the ball of the day.

Drawed 40 loads to the B.

I was **churning carrying water cutting grass to feed the Cows** over Sabbath besides other chores.

Was bunching & raking hay

Sab 7 A fine day but quite a cold wave from the north. I could not drive to Church as George had my harness

Mon 8 A fine day for business, a cool air. Ground the mower knives this mornng & mowed until about 4.30 in the evening  
George Emory & Harry were drawing hay

Recd of Jas Parker by 0. Jameson for shearing .64

Tues 9 A fine day for labor. I was raking up hay after 9 oc George & Harry were bunching hay the most of the fore-n &  
Emory was running the mower. They drawed 2 loads of hay in the fore-n & 5 in the after-n 6 loads of it growed on the 13  
acre field S of the House Will has been at busy work these 2 past days

Wedns 10 A fine day for business. I finished mowing this fore-n making 40 acres cut so far for hay. George Harry & EBJ  
were **drawing in hay part of the day. Helped cock up part of the after-n.** A fine shower this eve Will cultivate corn in  
the fore-n Bunched hay in P.M

Thurs 11 A very fine day. **George was cultivating Sugar Beets** in the fore-n & **Will & I picked Berries about 2 hours.**  
**We got about 10 qts** George & Will put up hay & I picked berries in the after-n. Got about 8 qts. Harry Honsinger helped  
E.B.Jennings shock wheat for Geo in the P.M Frid 12 A fine day. Harry George & Will were **puting up hay. I was**

**picking Black cap Raspberries good luck** at it

Sat 13 Quite warm. The boys finished haying about 40 acres of it. I was

**Berrying** in the A.M Went to Caro in the after-n Pd Dr. L.50 for prescription

Druggist.75 **A fine soaking I got**

Sab 14 A very warm day. I did not attend Church as I was nearly sick Thurston was home this afternoon

Mon 15 A very warm day. I was helping wash. hoeing in the garden etc in the fore-n. Was picking berries in P.M George  
& Will were cultivating & weeding beets fixing fence & other fussing

Tues 16 **Exceedingly warm,** I was churning carrying water hoeing garden etc in the fore-n. Picking berries in the P.M  
Georg & Will were cultivating & hoeing

Wedns 17 A very warm day. I was picking cherries in the fore-n & berries in P.M George & Will were cultivating &  
weeding beets & hoeing potatoes. George took his cow to **Amolds** this mornng Walter & Amy Jameson Joe Campbell &

Thurston spent the evening with us. **Had some Ice Cream**

Thurs 18 A fine day. Quite cool this morn & eve. Will & I were picking cherries in the fore-n & I picked in the atlem & Will weeded beets George cultivated beets in the fore-n. **Attended a barn raising at Jas Amolds** in the afternoon

Frid 19 A fine day. Quite warm. I was shearing & picking cherries in the fore-n. cutting & pulling weeds in the afternoon The boys were cultivating & weeding beets George & **I sowed about 1/4 acre turnips after dinner** Sat 20 A fine day. I churned carried several pails of water, pulled & hoed weeds

etc. George helped E.B.J draw wheat Will was weeding beets & spraying

potatoes Jas Adams Cr by cash on swearing (Pd to Wm King) 1.00

Wm King Dr to cash (I gave him.25 cts) Pd 1.25

Sab 2i A fine day. Thurston came home with the folks last

night spent the day here except that he went to Church with me

Mon 22 A light shower last night a fine day. I helped about the washing in the fore-n.

Cleaned out & Oiled & dusted the chicken coops & picked cherries in the after-n

the men were **cultivating & Hoeing potatoes** in the fore-n. George helped E.B.J

draw wheat & Will was hoeing in the after-n

Tues 23 A fine warm day. I was churning cutting wood, picking cherries, & hoeing in the garden.

Will was hoeing & weeding in the fore-n. Cultivated corn in the after-n George went to

see Dr Handy in the fore-noon He was cultivating corn in the afternoon

Wedns 24 Very warm, I was cradeling & setting up oats the most of the loren

I had to get dinner as the cook was away Georg & Will were **setting up oats hoeing beans**

etc I was cleaning up chicken yards cutting wood pulling weeds washing dishes etc etc

Thurs 25 We had a **light shower last night** A fine day for business. The boys were cultivating corn hoeing beets etc. I was pulling weeds grinding ax carrying brush etc in the fore-n.

Repairing & washing the buggy P.M

Frid 26 A very warm day. George was to Caro & Fairgrove Will **was weeding beets**,

I went to the woods & cut & carried some poles to make stakes for a chicken park in the fore-n.

Worked on the Park part of the after-n & in the garden & bringing up young beets (thined out) for hogs & cows

Sat 27 Several fine showers this morn & fore-n We were busy after the

rain finishing the young chicken park weeding beets reseting oat shocks working garden etc etc Sab 28 A fine day. Several showers this eve A heavy thunder shower between 8 & 9 oc this eve.

Thurston came home with the folks last eve went home this even-g I was out to

Church Services today **Craig was killed by lightning Sat morn [1901]**

Mon 29 Sunshine & showers. So wet we could not work in the fore-n I drove up to Town toward even-g

Paid Dr Miser for fish .25

Paid for **meat.21 & for 25 lbs corn meal.25.46**

Paid for mending thill iron & tobacco .15

Tues 30 A fine day. George & wife went to the Bay. Will was weeding beets &

I was doing house work & chores. Put the buggy thills on

Wedns 31 A fine day. A cool N.W wind this even-g. George was tinkering in the

fore-n & Will went to the Bay on the wheel after Georges clothes left there

yester-d George & E.B.J were cutting oats on R J Jameson in the after-n I

chored & chored in the fore-n. Was weeding & hoeing in P.M

#### AUGUST 1901

A fine day. I was weeding turnips & beets & hoed some in the garden The boys finished cutting oats on R.J.J about 3.30 George & I boiled the tire to my buggy & washed his after they got home

Frid 2 A cloudy day, threatened had a light spurt but did not wnt to anything.

I was doing chores **drawing & carrying water** etc. **Weeding turnips for "chinking"** (?).

George & wife went to Dr Handys

Sat 3 Nice & cool. The boys were drawing & stacking oats part of the day.

Spread out a lot of them this morning. I was churning lugin water & sawing wood in the fore-n

**Weeding turnips** & picking up beets after the boys weeding

Sab 4 A fine day. Thurston came home with the folks last night. He & I

attended Church Services today

Mon 5 A fine day. The boys were turning out drawing & stacking oats raised on E.B.J.

Thurston went home early this morn Walter & him called this eve

Tues 6 A fine day. I was churning weeding & painting my buggy I helped wash Mon fore-n

Cleaning & painting my buggy in the afternoon. A cool air morning & eve Geo Heif  
Wedns 7 A fine day. A light spurt of rain soon after noon. Will was away to BayPort.  
George helped Frank Bedell thresh in the fore-n. I was weeding turnips, finished painting the buggy  
and painted a chair for the kitchen

Thurs 8 A fine day. The boys were at various jobs.

I was weeding tunips etc in the fore-n. Drove out to Caro in the  
after-n Pd Sam Craig for shoe Billy .25  
Pd for 2 lbs pork steak .25 For brads .05 .30  
Paid for bag of bran.37 Pants for myself .50 .87  
Paid for a lb of raisins . 10 & a package of tobacco .05 .15  
Paid the American Express Co at Caro 3.50  
Three dollars of it to be sent to Dr J.D. Buskirk of  
Coldwater Mich to pay for medicine for myself The ball to  
pay their expenses

Frid 9 A cloudy cool day threatened rain but did nothing but sprinkle. George & hands  
were **drawing & stacking oats** on R. J. Jamesons.

I was at several jobs **cuting wood weeding turnips, churning** etc

Sat 10 A strong N. W wind quite cool The boys were at several jobs, geting  
wood for **threshing, cultivating potatoes** etc I was **picking up Beets,**

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weeding turnips etc

Sab 11 A fine day. I attended Church Thurston was home a while

Mon 12 A fine day. George was threshing his oats. The  
threshers got here to set up before dinner. They threshed 600 bush of oats  
for him Moved to E.B.Jennings this even-g I was choer boy indoors and out  
Sent George this mornng Cash 5.00

Tues 13 A fine day. a hot sun ne boys helped E.B.J thresh till nearly 10 oc  
They were righting up things the rest of the day George took 75 bush of oats to Town Recd.31  
I was weeding turnips mornng & eve

Wedns 14 Very warm & dry. George was cleaning timothy seed out wheat screenings  
in the fore-n. Took a load of oats to Town in the after-n

Recd for 75 bush & lbs of oats at.31 @ I was cuting wood weeding turnips & over on  
R.J.Jamesons after corn in fore-n Was up to Town in the afternoon Took my  
cow over to J McCriedies this eve Paid him for Services 1.00

Recd of George this eve cash lent him Mon 5.00

#### **Will attended Farmers Picnic at Gibsons**

Thurs 15 Very warm. I was up to Town over to C.B.Jainesons. Took dinner with  
them. Came home by Town George & wife were out to Caro in the P.M  
Paid F Adams for a hat for myself .25 Towels 1 1/2 yds. 1 5 .40  
Recd of Wm Kinney Shearing & taging acct 2.30  
I com-ed doctoring with Dr G A Munch of the Detroit Medical &  
Surgical Institute. I am to receive a 5 mo treatment for 35.00

for which he guarantees a cure or money refunded

Office at Hotel Hazel Fairgrove. Paid him cash 3.00

Frid 16 Warm & dry. **I was not fit to do anything except**  
**chores today.** The boys were pulling weeds out of the beets & potatoes etc

Sat 17 Warm & dry. I was not fit to do much. Cut some wood & wed a few turnips .  
The boys were cultivating & hoeing potatoes drawing water etc

Sab 18 A fine day. I was out to Church Services . Thurston did not come home

Mon 19 Several fine showers today. Sat in the house & watched it rain Georges folks [ meaning Lucinda Probably went  
with her parents ] were geting ready to **go to Buffalo in the mornng for Pan American [ This was the SS Pan American a**  
**steamship that did tourism on the great lakes ]**

(Ed. note: We have a souvenir paper weight from this trip )

Tues 20 Cloudy & misty in the mornng fair through the day but quite muggy

I took Georges folks out to Vassar to the train. We left home about 4 oc in the  
mornng I got back home in time to get dinner  
George gave me cash to buy stuff to use .50  
Paid for 8 loaves of Bakers bread 15  
Paid for horse in stable . 10 Breakfast .25 .35  
Paid for a box of powder for chicken lice .10

Wedns 21 A fine day. I was busy doing house work choers  
weeding turnips etc. Will was away yesterday. Was weeding & hoeing potatoes today  
Thurs 22 Very warm & muggy We had 2 heavy showers this eve  
I was doing house work weeding tumips went to Town etc.

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Recd of E.J. Otis in trade for 4 doz eggs at. 11@ .44  
Recd of Brother Airchy a letter with a dmft on New York for the sum of 50.00  
Mrs E B Jennings Dr to Dress triming etc .87

Frid 23 Rained through the night & this mornng. With quite a shower again in  
the after-n. I was churning & doing house work & chores till 2 oc when I got  
ready & started for Vassar to meet Georges folks. We got back home about 7 oc in the eve

Sat 24 Rained some in the night a fine day cooler in the eve I was up to Jake Lehman's &  
butchered a sheep in the mornng. Went out to Caro & got the impressions taken for a  
set of teeth in the after-n Paid for horse stabled .10

Paid a ball on pants changed at M. Him-h .25  
Paid for 2 lb Rice. 16 2 lbs Crackers. 16 1 lb Honey.15 .47

Sab 25 A fine day. I was out to Church Services. Thurston  
came home from church staid till eve

Mon 26 Several showers this fore-n Faired off some 2 or 3 P.M George helped  
Mr Annable thresh part of the afternoon I was weeding turnips in the garden

Tues 27 Quite a fog or mist this mornng. Faired up into a fine day toward 8 or 9 oc  
George threshed a while for Mr Annable. I undertook **to cut clover seed with the mower**  
so much fine stuff & so much dead stuff & so wet it choked the mower. Had to let it dry this fore-n  
Will helped me finish weeding the turnips then he got ready & shipped for

Wedns 28 A fine day I was mowing clover seed repairing mower & doing chores  
George was helping R.J. Jameson with clover seed part of the day. They were hulling (?)  
the large kind of clover on Elmer Jamesons this after-n

Thurs 29 A fine day. George was cutting clover seed. I was doing chores & so on

Frid 30 A thunder shower in the night, got quite cool this eve George was cutting clover seed.

I was churning cutting wood hoeing & thinning turnips in the fore-n Drove up to  
Town in the after-n Recd of Hinkley & Co cash on

dmft from Bro Archy 50.00  
Paid John Hayward ball on store acct .84  
Paid John McCready on Bull Service 1.00

This with what I paid the 14th pays all accts up to the 14th of this month

Sat 31 A fine day for business cool & cloudy. Wind North George finished  
cutting clover seed this fore-n & I was mowing seed around stumps hay  
stacks & old hay cocks in the fore-n. We were out to Caro in the after-n.

**Pd for Bananas & Pea Nuts .30**  
Paid for a bush of early potatoes for use .50  
Paid Fritz for a set of teeth upper & lower 15.00  
He guarantees them a no one job on material & workmanship

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#### SEPTEMBER 1901

Sab 1 A fine day. **Georpe & Lucinda were off to an Indian Camp meeting** I attended Church.  
Thurston came home with me & staid a short time

Mon 2 A fine day. George & team were helping R J Jameson thresh clover  
seed. I finished mowing around our clover field & done the chores. **Will was on the sick list**

Tues 3 A fine day. George & team were helping R J Jameson thresh clover seed.  
I was churning thinning turnips & several other jobs. **Will not flt to work.**

**Mr Colwell died Sabbath afternoon Funeral tomorrow at 10. oc**  
**Disease hardening of the Liver & Kidney troubles**

Wedns 4 A fine day. Quite warm George finished threshing clover seed at R J Jamesons in the  
fore-n Took it to Town for him in the afternoon I took the cow over to John McCreedys  
in the fore-n. Choreing & **thinning turnips** in the P.M Lent  
George for a few days cash 20.00

Thurs'5 A fine warm day. I was picking clover seed in the fore-n & George was  
cutting corn. George was over to Akron in the afternoon

Frid 6 A fine day. Quite warm I was raking Clover Seed & George **was cutting corn** on R J Jamesons  
in the fore-n. The Hess Bro got here in time for dinner. They are **going to bale hay** for



George this afternoon. I was at odds & ends • doing chores in the after-n  
Will was helping Frank Bedell yesterday • this fore-n.

But it was nearly chore time when he got home this eve

Sab 7 Quite warm in the fore-n Wind were shifted to the N in the after-n got quite cold this eve.

**The smoke was so dense this eve it was a heavy fog. [ September 1901 ]**

The hay balers finished their stack about 9.30 & quit for today. the boys cut corn the bal of the fore-n

Drewed the bailed hay to Elmer Jamesons barn in the afternoon I was **raking clover seed** in the fore-n

**Cleaned out the Chicken coops Cut wood** brought a bag of corn & other choering in P.M

Sab 8 A pleasant day but quite cold. Thurston came home last night I was out to Church Services

Mon 9 Cold & cloudy this mornng light squalls of rain in the after-n The hay balers finished

Georges hay this morning. **Baled for E.B.** the ball of the day **I took Thurston up to the train this mornng.**

**He is going to make a trip to Cleveland** Fare for the round trip by way of Saginaw 5.30

Tues 10 Rained some in the night cloudy & cool today. **The boys helped E B.J. bale hay**

after they finished choreing I sat in the house the most of the fore-noon

Bought 10 bush of oats from E B Jennings & cleaned them through the Mill for horse feed

Wedns 11 Dark & showery this mornng Broke away somewhere about 9 oc A. M

George & team & E.B.J hand & **team took 2 ton apiece of hay baled to Akron**

The press hands finished at about 2.30 P.M George loaded 2 loads again this evening

Thurs 12 A light fall of rain last night showery & rainy like this mornng.

Broke away after a while The boys **drewed their loads up here with double teams** this

mornng so they would have a better chance to dry. Then George & I

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drove to Town. **Paid Dr Munch of Detroit for medicine 7.00 [expensive]**

**This medicine was for myself George & Frank took about 4 tons of hay to Akron.**

Will cut com& done chores cutwood carried water weeded tumips etc in P.M

Frid 13 showery & rainy in the morning. Faired up around 9.30 George & team

& E.B.J boy & team drewed hay to Akron. Will cut corn & help load hay

I got dinner hunted up & **made a lot of corn strings cut wood done chores** etc

Sat 14 A fine day for business. George made to trips to Akron with hay today.

Will was cuting corn. I churned & cut corn in the fore-n. Repaired my corn horse, wed out turnips for feed tomorrow, cut

wood & also corn in P.M **[Thurston may have been in Cleveland when Pres was shot] President [ William ]**

**McKinley died this morn-g at 2.15 His last words were, Good Bye all, good bye.**

It is Gods way. His will be done

Sab 15 A fine day but quite a strong S W wind I was out to Church

Mon 16 Quite a strong S W wind I was out to Caro to get

Billy shod Paid for 2 new shoes & setting the same .50

I cut corn part of the afternoon George was drawing hay to Akron They had tons lbs

of which he had 1/3 Will helped wash in the fore-n To Vassar in P.M

Tues 17 A fine day but quite windy & cold also mornng & eve. I was churning cuting wood

etc in the fore-n Cut corn some 4 hours in the after-n. George & Will were turning

& bunching clover seed geting ready to thresh. Will cut corn part of the time

Wedns 18 Quite cool & cloudy with spurts of rain this eve which hung on until bed time

George was threshing clover seed today They threshed out about 35 bush.

**Brought the Huller up** when they came to supper

Thurs 19 A fine day. George & Emory were raking drawing and stacking clover seed. I was cuting wood & corn & doing

choers The sow had 4 boar pigs tonight

Frid 20 A fine day. I was doing chored cuting wood & corn etc.

George started for Bay City with a load of clover seed. Started about 2 oc this mornng.

I was doing chores cuting wood & corn etc. Lent George cash this mornng 5.00

Will was not working today or yesterday P.M George recd for bush & lbs of clover seed

Sat 21 A fine day. George was helping Chas Hall thresh colver seed with team to draw in the fore-n.

He helped Frank Luther thresh clover seed in the after-ns I **churned cut wood,**

**pulled Mangles cut fodder** etc to last over to morrow in the fore-n. Cut corn in the afternoon

George gave Will the bounce this mornng [ Had not been coming to work ] I lent George to pay Will this mornng 1.00

**Thurston came home with George last eve.** Staid a short time & went home

Sab 22 A fine day. I was out to Preaching & Sab School. Thurston came home with me

from Church Went back to Calvins this evening

Mon 23 A fine day. George & I were cuting corn on Emorys's today

Tues 24 A cool east wind got quite cold in the after-n. George cut corn all day.

I cut til nearly 3 oc when I went over to Borlens to help E.B.J about sorting out

His sheep George cut 76 shocks of corn 8 X 8 besides doing chores

Wends 25 A fine day Goerge & I were cuting corn on E B Jennings except George  
**had Pikes bean harvester some 3 hours** this mornig to pull about 2 acres of beans  
**& I had to chum & get wood & water**

Thurs 26 A fine day. We cut 14 shocks of corn on E.B.J to finish, this mornig  
**Gathered pulled & bunched beans** the ball of the fore-n George went over to Akron  
 & cut corn on R J Jamesons part of the after-n Fair at Caro now

Frid 27 A fine day. George was bunching beans in the fore-n Took a load of wheat to Town  
 to be cleaned for seed for himself & E.B.J. in the P.M I was lusing water carrying & cuting  
 wood cuting corn & doing chores Recd of George Cash on money lent him 20.00

Sab 29 A fine day. I was out to Preaching & Sab School.

Thurston & Walter were here & took dinner with us They went home this eve

Mon 30 A fine day. George was working up a piece of ground some 4 acres or thereabouts  
 South of his house I was cuting corn on R.J. Jamesons lusing & cuting wood etc in the fore-n

#### OCTOBER 1901

Tues 1 A fine day. George was working George was cultivating his wheat south of Jennings  
 house I cut corn on B J J in the fore-n Husked corn cut wood etc in P.M

Wedns 2 A heavy thunder storm last night. Turned quite cold in P.M George sowed  
 some 4 or 5 acres of wheat on E.B.J this fore-n. I cut corn in the fore-n

George helped me in the after-n Finished

Thurs 3 A heavy frost last night quite cold today. Quite a heavy snow storm at  
 "Sebewane" [yes] this after-n George & I com-ed pulling the Sugar beets to day on Emory Jen's

Frid 4 A heavy frost last night. Quite cold all day. George was at Akron &  
 I was working at odd jobs husking corn making beet knives in the fore-n.

Drawed in 2 loads of beans in part of the afternoon

Sat 5 A heavy frost last night quite mild except a strong

S.Wwind. **I was out to Caro to get Georges horse shod & do some trading.**

George finished drawing the beans, Rigid up a wagon box for drawing beets.

We husked 12 1/2 baskets of corn towards even-g.

I paid at Caro for beef .38

for nails. 12 & B Him-h for 2 woolen shirts \$1.90 2.02

Paid for my dinner.25 & for horse feed .15 .40

George gave cash to pay for shoeing hiw horse .25

**Sab 6 A fine day. Once more I have been spared to behold the light of my Birthday making me  
 62 years old I bless & praise the Lord for all his goodness shown unto me, I was out to Church  
 Services. Thurston came home with me. George took him home this eve**

Mon 7 A fine day. **Sugar beet harvest com-ed in earnest** with us this mornig I

was making knives & toping beets in the fore-n. Took 60 bush of 3600 lbs to the  
 Factory this afternoon at Caro Paid D. Lehman for a pair of tie reigns.60

Rans Tibs & Clar Jennings are going to help us. They were here today

Tues 8 A fine day Clarence & I were out with two loads of Beets this fore-n

Ransom & George were pulling & toping. We loaded both wagons this eve

Wedns 9 A showery day with light spurts of rain here. quite heavy at Caro & this side.

Clarence & I took 4 loads of Beets to Caro today Ransom & George help load,

Pulled & topt the ball of the time We got home about 9 oc this eve

Thurs 10 A fine day. Ransom & George were pulling & toping Beets & helping load,

Clarence took a load to Caro I drove over to Henry Millers & Mark Hobarts from

there to Farigrove then home **Paid Dr Munch from Detroit on doctoring 7.00 [ expensive ]**

I was cuting & drawing wood from R.J.J

Frid 11 Quite warm Clarence & George took 2 loads of Beets to Caro. Pulled & topt  
 the ball of the day. Ransom helped I was choreing in the morning & evening Communion

Fast day. I attended Church

Sat 12 A rainy day. Rained the most of the time. George was over to C B Janiesons

Thurston came home with him. I was out to Church in P.M

Sab 13 A fine day. Communion today. Rev Crowe assisted. Thurston & I attended mornig  
 & evening Services I stopt at Mr Kirks between Services

Mon 14 A fine day overhead quite a strong chilly wind toward eve We were plowing out,  
 pulling toping & loading Beets brought a load as far as the house

Tues 15 A fine day. George & Clarence took 2 loads of Beets to Caro this fore-noon  
 Clarence started before 5 oc this morning did not show up for work this afternoon  
 He got home about 11 George started a qr to 9 & got home a qr after one  
 Wedns 16 A cold air but a pleasant day George took a load of Beets to Caro this fore-n  
 got back home about 9.30 Lifted topt & loaded the ball of the day Charles Hinson  
 was helping I was doing chores husking corn etc  
 Thurs 17 A cold chilly wind after 9 o clock with **2 quite sharp snow squalls after dinner**  
 George took a load of Beets to Caro this mornng, got home about 10 oc. There were toping & covering  
 Beets the bal of the day, except puting on a load this mornng. Chas Hinson & Ransom Tibbets  
 were helping. Chas Hinson **took a load of beets to the factory** this after-n  
 I paid for a oak basket at Caro by Geo .25  
 Frid 18 Pleasant overhead but quite a cold air. George **husked corn** about half of the fore-n.  
**Worked at Beets** the ball of the day. I was doing chores cuting wood & helping at Beets part of the fore-n  
 Sat 19 A fine day. Chas Hinson was helping work at Beets. I **cut & drewed a jag of wood &**  
**drewed 5 bush of corn** & 8 shocks of fodder in the fore-n.  
 Drove over to Akron for George in the after-n to see the Hess firm  
 Sab 20 A fine day. I was out to Church Services. Thurston come home from Church & staid till eve

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Mon 21 A fine day. We were working at Sugar Beets. Chas Hinson & Earl Bedell were helping us to day  
 Tues 22 A fine day. George took 2 loads of Beets to Caro to day.  
 Emorys team drawed 4820. Our team 4030 Earl & I were working at the Beets  
 Chas Hinson was not here today.  
 Wedns 23 A fine day. Mr Whipple & Earl Bedell were working at the Beets  
 I helped George load. Husked 2 bags of corn cut wood done chores etc  
 George took 2 loads of beets to Caro to day  
 Thurs 24 Froze quite hard last night Quite chilly this fore-n Mild in the after-n  
 We were working at the Beets Chas Hinson & Mr Whipple were helping us.  
 Geo drove over to Akron the fore-n. Gone about 3 hours I was doing the busy  
 work in the fore-n Helped in the Beets in the afternoon  
 Frid 25 Froze quite hard last night A fine day. Chas  
 Hinson & Geo Whipple were helping us at the Beets. I was husking 2 bags of corn.  
**Carrying water, cuting wood etc in the fore-n. Helped in Beets** in P.M  
 Sat 26 A fine full day. We finished lifting & toping the Sugar Beets Chas Hinson & Geo  
 Whipple helped us I was husking corn cuting wood etc  
 doing the busy work in the fore-n. helped with the Beets in the after-n  
 Ransom Tibbets helped days at \$1.25 @  
 Chas Hinson helped us days at @  
 George Whipple helped us 4 days at \$1.00 4.00  
 Clarence Jennings helped days at .75  
 Earl Bedell helped us days at .75

Sab 27 A fine day. I was out to Church Thurston came home from Church Services  
 Spent the after-n & evening with us

Mon 28 A fine day. I was carrying water for washing cuting wood & helping put on a load of beets  
**after repairing E.B.J. wagon** George started for Caro shortly after 12 N Went some 2 miles  
 met some folks returning that told him he could not get in & left his load beside the road &  
 came home Reported this eve there was 50 loads in Caro that could not get unloaded  
 Loaded the other wagon this eve

Tues 29 A fine warm day. George & Frank Jennings started for Caro with  
**2 loads of Beets** about 3 oc this mornng. When they got to the Factory there was 10 loads ahead of them  
 & 8 loads behind them waiting for the gates to open. They got home about 11A.M  
 They thought there was about 100 or more teams that unloaded & were waiting to unload before they left town.  
 George Lucinda & myself **were husking corn in the P.M**

Wedns 30 A fine day. We were drawing out our beets & shaping them so as we can cover on short notice  
 if we need to as we **cannot draw to the factory before a week from to morrow.** We drewed out 5 loads  
 Thurs 31 Fine in the fore-noon. showery & rainy like in the after-n. We drewed a load of Beets  
 in the mornng to pit. then helped E.B. Jennings about moving. They are going to move  
 a mile west of here on what is known as the John Miller farm

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NOVEMBER 1901

Frid 1 A fine day A light spurt of rain last night, turned cooler this eve **We were moving** from

E B Jennings house by the Cider Mill to the house on the farm. The boys **having rented it for 3 years**

[Now we see **With Dan's illnesses the "boys" Thurston and George have taken it upon themselves to take things over. Dan still works a lot but his health is going down. Now he is paying for expensive medicine which may be worthless we don't know. This will be the last home for Daniel J Stewart ]**

Sat 2 A fine day. Quite a frost this mornng We were moving & setting up house keeping  
George & I drove up Town to the grist mill Recd of Jos Adams ball due on shearing .25

Sab 3 A fine day until eve when we got a light sprinkle of rain I was out to  
Church. Thurston came home with me

Mon 4 Quite cold & cloudy with a cold with a strong S W wind. We were husking in the fore-n  
Bound up & drew a load of corn & **repaired the calf stalls** & husked some in the P.M

Tues 5 Not quite as cold as yesterday George was husking.

I was cuting wood doing chores husking corn & tinkering

Wed 6 Cloudy with a chilly south wind. We were drawing corn. loaded up  
2 loads of beets, etc I drove up to Town to do some trading for the family

Thurs 7 The wind shifted from the south this mornng to N.W this eve. George & Frank  
started for the factory with 2 loads of Beets shortly after 2 oc this mornng They got there  
shortly after 5 & in 20 min afterwards there was 20 teams behind them

Recd of George on cash lent him this summer 3.00

I drove to Town to see Dr Munch this after-n Recd some  
medicine. Paid him Cash on treatment 7.00

Paid Otis for Artics \$1.35 Cheese. 14 Tobacco. I 0 1.59

Frid 8 Quite mild today. George & Frank started about 2 oc this mornng with a load of Beets  
got there shortly after 5 found 11 teams ahead of him He went back with a load in the P.M Frank & I  
loaded a wagon at the pit om the fore-n, & a load from the field in the P.M

Sat 9 A cold N wind. **George was over to C B Jamesons after Thurstons trunks & (?) & up to Town**  
in the fore-n Brought a load of Beets from the field toward eve. I was at various jobs

**Thurston came home this evening**

Sab 10 Pleasant but quite a cold air Wind S.W Thurston & I attended Church

Mon 11 Rainy this mornng. George & Thurston started for the Beet factory  
with 2 loads of Beets. Started about 2 oc A.M Got home around 10 A.M George husked  
& Thurston plowed in the after-n till stopt by the rain

Tues 12 A cold chilly N wind. Some snow squalls & froze some in the after-n George  
**was digging potatoes.** Thurston was plowing etc & I was **pulling topping & piling Rootabegas**

Wedns 13 Quite mild but cloudy with N W wind, George was husking. Thurston plowed in the fore-n He husked corn in  
the after-n I was pulling Beggas topping & piling them, cuting wood etc

Thurs 14 A cold chilly N.W wind George drew up piled & covered a couple of loads of Beets  
& drew a load of wood in the fore-n plowed in the after-n. **Thurston plowed all day.**

I was **pulling & topping Beggas & pufing in a pit**

**Cousin Mary Jameson had a tumor cut from her breast at Saginaw** this fore-noon

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Frid 15 Snowed last night enough to whiten the ground, a chilly West wind The boys were plowing.

George drove to Town toward eve. I was piting Beggas & cuting wood in the fore-n

Pulled topt & pited 5 bush in the P.M Let R Tibbets have 2 bush of them

Sat 16 Snowed & froze some last nt Stayed quite cold all day. **I covered**

**another pit of Beggas making 30 bush pited** Thurston plowed & George was running around

He went to Caro to draw pay on S Beets

Sab 17 A pleasant day I was out to Church Services. Went all alone

Mon 18 Quite a chilly N West wind The boys were plowing. I was at several odd jobs.

Topt & Pited 4 bush sugar Beets

Tues 19 A fine day. Cloudy the most of the day. I was binding corn into bundies & helped  
draw again the for en.neboys were plowing George was up Town the most of the

P.M Recd of E B Jennings for shearing sheep for Letson Estate 1.25

Wedns 20 Quite mild & pleasant. Thurston plowed all day. George in the

fore-noon Helped R Tibbets thresh in the afternoon I was at several jobs in the fore-noon finished  
pulling & topping Beggas in the P.M I pited 42 bush Sold 2 & have used 5 or more

Thurs 21 A fine day Thurston was plowing. George helped C Hall thresh in the fore-n.

Was **burning on the clearing** in P.M & I was doing the busy work at several jobs

Frid 22 showery & rainy like in the mornng but amt to much till after-n & not heavy then.

The boys plowed in the fore-n Worked around the barn in the after-n I covered the last pit of Beggas, cut wood went to the cornfield bound & set stalks etc

Sab 23 **Snowed an inch or thereabouts last night with snow squalls this fore-n.**

Cloudy but not stormy in the after-n. To nasty to plow We were tinkering & fixing for winter

Mrs Bedell staid with us last night. George took her home this fore-n on his way to Town

Sab 24 A damp cloudy chilly day I did not attend Church not well

Mon 25 Cold & Cloudy. I was choreing & pulled Beggas a while in the after-n Began to freeze toward evening

The boys were plowing today Thurston drove over to C B Jamesons this mornng

Tues 26 Froze the most of any freeze yet The boys were drawing corn & cuting

wood in the fore-n Plowed in the after noon I topt 6 bush of Beggas after

doing the chores in the fore-n. They were small 130 to a basket

Wedns 27 Froze to hard to plow this mornng. We were working up wood.

Shuting the pigs away from the sow to wean them etc in the afternoon.

George & Lucinda were away in the after-n Thurston was **under the weather with a heavy cold**

Thurs 28 Froze ice an inch 1/2 thick in the tank last night Moderated through the day.

The folks were over to Frank Bedells this mornng I attended Church Services

went from there to Mr Bedell & spent the afternoon

Frid 29 Quite a damp chilly air & cloudy. We were covering up root pits with

manure in the fore noon I cleaned the yard, piled wood etc in the fore-noon

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4w E B Jennings Sale of Stock & Tools here in the P.M I drove up Town & to Mr Kings after dinner

Sat 30 A fine winter day. We were at several odd jobs today We **butchered a hog**

the boys bought of Mr Campbell. I drove up to Fair grove & over to Mr

Kings in P.M Vida King Dr to a dress pattern 5.00

She is Cr by cash on the same 3.50

1 paid E J Otis for 2 lbs of Crackers.16

#### DECEMBER 1901

Sab 1 A fine winter day. the frost about out again Thurston & I attended Church

Mon 2 A fine fore-n. **Turned colder in the afternoon.** Thurston finished plowing 20 acres

east of the barn in the fore-n George & him were fixing things for winter I **pulled 2 bush of Beggas**

after dinner taged the sheep etc. Freezing quite hard at bedtime

Tues 3 Quite wintery Snow squalls the most of the day. very light snow

The boys took a sow to Mr Campbells this mornng They were up Town the most of the

day after-n I was cuting up the hog husking corn cuting wood etc the boys paid for a Brah Roost-r .75

Wedns 4 A cold wintery day. froze quite hard last night. The boys **were drawing wood &**

geting ready for Clover Hullers I **was doing choers**, working up wood etc

Drove up to Town to do some trading for the

Boys Recd of & paid out for Thurston for Potatoes etc .80

The Shernan Bro **threshed seed an hour** or so this eve

Thurs 5 Quite a cold night. A mild day. They finished threshing about 2 oc P.M

Threshed 6 bush for George & 10 for Frank Bedell They took a sow to Mr Campbells

afterwards I drove up Town for the folks in the fore-n Nellie & I

**attended the Farmers Club** at E-B Jennings in the afternoon

Paid cash from Thurston for trade today .22

Paid Thurston cash recd from C B Jameson 7.00

Frid 6 Quite mild today. The boys **finished drawing manure**

on the pits & **drawed up a load of corn in the bundle** I was

**doing chores cuting wood & salting meat**

Sat 7 A mild winter day. We were at odds & ends doing a little at several things

Sab 8 A dark cloudy day with squalls of rain & snow. We were not out to Church

Mon 9 Quite mild this mornng turned colder this eve. I drove up to Town in the

fore-n. Husked corn in after-n The boys were drawing & husking corn

Tues 10 Colder this mornng Squalls of snow last night & today. I was doing chores.

Riping out & **puting bats on pig pen** The boys were at various jobs. They were over to C.B. Jamesons

& to Town in the mornng Paid cash from Thurston for trade yesterday .31

Wedns 11A mild winter day. Thurston went out to Vassar **with feed & truck**

**Sold a hog weighing 320 for.05 on foot 16.00**

George was threshing beans I was cuting up wood, Went to the

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woods hunted up the stuff & **made a flail** Thurston sold clover seed at Vassar at \$4.50 @

Thurs 12 Quite a mild day thawed some The boys were threshing & cleaning beans  
I took Doc-t up to Town to be shod, Took me about 6 hours. There was so many ahead  
Frid 13 A dark misty rainy day. No chance to do outside  
work. We were doing odd jobs or tinkering

Sat 14 Rained quite hard last eve & up till about midnight. when it com-ed snowing  
& blowing from the N. **there was some 3 or 4 inches of snow fell**

Cloudy all day but did not stonn The boys were up C.B.Jatneson in the fore-n  
They were cuting & hauling wood in P.M

Sab 15 A cold wintery day. Flying clouds with squalls of snow. Did not go to Church

Mon 16 The ther stood at 8 deg below zero at 6 oc this mornng. I was at home in the fore-n.

Drove up to Town in the afternoon Paid cash recd of George for groceries etc .95

The boys were cuting & drawing wood

Tues 17 Dec 1901 A cold wintery day. flying frost in the air.

**Rbt Foster died at 11oc Sat night Pneumonia of the lungs the cause.**

**His funeral today at 11 oc at the Church in Fairgrove.**

Thurston Nettie & I met at the house with them. Nettie & I staid to help put things to rights etc

Wedns 18 Ther 2 deg below zero this mornng Staid cold all day. Dr Handy took  
dinner with us, came to see Lucinda **We were busy at various jobs, geting ready for winter** etc

Thurs 19 Dec 1901 **Very frosty this mornng**, a fine day otherwise.

**George's folks had a 17 in girl born this mornng after a hard night of labor.**

We were tired & sleepy & to much running about to set ourselves to work.

**The girl weighed 9 lbs** (Ed. note: This baby girl was named **Ruth Eivira Stewart**-and ultimately  
became my mother **Richard Prior**)

**Frank Luther & Nellie Otis were married Tuesday P.M**

**& Joe Campbell & Fannie McAlpine were married Wedns**

Ther 10 below zero at the break of day

Frid 20 Not near so cold today. I put in the day, taking Georges horse up to Doc-t Douglas.

He was away & would not be home until around 3 oc.

Drove over to Cousin Mary's & staid for dinner Thurston was doing shores & cuting wood

Sat 21 About the coldest mornng yet **The Ther must have been as much as 10 or 12 deg below zero.**

I was doing chores shelling corn to grind churning etc The boys were drawing & cuting wood

Sab 22 Quite mild today after such severe cold I was out to Church The **Ther stood 12 below zero** Sat mornng

Mon 23 Thawed some, no Sun in the after-n. I helped about the washing

**shelled corn** etc in the fore-n. **Fixing up the hen house** in the after-n The boys

**drawed a load of corn** in the mornng Thurston & Nettie went to Caro in the afternoon

Tues 24 Thawed some today. Thurston went to Caro with a load of Beets &

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George husked corn in the fore-n George went to Town in the afternoon

I was choering & fixing the hen house

Wedns 25 Snowed a little last night perhaps an inch or more. A fine day.

the boys & family were at home. I was visiting at John Morrows. Met C.B. Jamesons folks there

Thurs 26 Cloudy & colder wind S.W I staid at John Morrows all nigh@ got home about 11 oc.

Came home by Mr Kings. I was working at the hen house part of the after-n The boys were  
cuting wood drawing & husking corn. Recd of Vida King ball due on a dress 1.50

Frid 27 A pleasant winter day. The boys were drawing & husking corn. I was doing chores  
& cleaning out & repairing the hen house Bro George arrived here this evening

Sat 28 A pleasant winter day I was repairing the hen house shelling corn etc

The boys were hanging an ax cuting wood etc

Sab 29 Not so cold but quite a snow storm to come home from Church in Bro

George & I attended Preaching to day

Mon 30 A pleasant day until eve when it turned colder & corn- ed to freeze

I helped Nettie **about washing, shelling com.** fixing hen house & other fussing

The boys drawed a load of wood & Thurston took Miss Brown to train at Fairgrove

Tues 31 Dec 1901 A pleasant day but a strong N. west wind got quite frosty during the day.

George was confined to the house with a **bilious turn** Thurston & I were sorting out & moving  
our chickens in the fore-n. Drawed & cut wood in the afternoon

**JANUARY 1902**

Wedns 1 Jan 1902 A pleasant winter day. Bro Geo Thurston & I held New Years at C B

Jamesons Geo folks spent the day at home F Bedells here Bro Geo made

each of us boys a present of \$25.00 in all 75.00

Paid Hall Gaylord for Money Order for Courier Herald 1.25

Thurs 2 A cold Chilly S Wind this mornng. The sun came out & thawed a while before & after noon, when the wind shifted to the N.W and com-ed freezing

**I took Bro Geo to Vassar to take the Cars for Detroit**

Thurston was doing chores Paid for horse feed.15&two loaves of rye bread .08 .23

Frid 3 Very cold this mornng with a strong N wind. George & Nettie were up to Town in the fore-n.

I was **churning & choering** in the fore-n up Town in the after-n to see Dr Munch.

**I did not have the money to pay for the medicine so he would not let me have it.** Parties claimed 8 below zero

Sat 4 Very frosty this mornng. Some 8 or 12 degrees below zero. Wind S. W & quite cold George choering & taking care of the folks Thurston & I were out to Caro with beans & after coal. Thurston reed for 11bush 57 lbs beans He paid for 1700 lbs of coal at \$4.00 pr ton 3.40 I paid Myron Himelhoch for 2 suits of heavy fleece lined underwear \$2.00 2 pair heavy woolen socks.38 & 2 red hands. 10 2.48 Paid B Himelhoch for heavy pair of overalls .50

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Sab 5 A pleasant winter day Thurston & I were out to Church

Mon 6 A pleasant winter day George went to see the Doct & Thurston went up to Town in the fore-n.

They were **unloading Beets & cleaning beans** in P.M I helped wash in the fore-n.

Was doing the busy work in the afternoon

Tues 7 A pleasant day thawed some George & I were out to Caro with Beets & **got a load of ice.**

I paid B Himelhoch for a pair of shoes \$1.503Cel-dcollars.25 & 2 shirt studs. 10 1.85

Thurston done the busy work & **threshed beans**

Wedns 8 A spring like day thawed considerable. George went out to Caro after a load of ice.

Thurston helped me mark 36 to keep The boys drew **a jag of stalks for the cows**

& a load of corn in the stalksn the afternoon

Thurs 9 Thawed all day cooler this eve Thurston **went to Shermans Mill after sawdust.** George was fixing a place for it & they packed it toward eve. I was doing choers & putting things to rights

Frid 10 Cooler today Wind west thawed some. Thurston drew 2 loads of ice from Watrousville.

George was **packing ice husking corn** etc. I was doing chores churning cut wood , weighing poultry etc

George took Thurston over to C B Jamesons so as to go to Bay City tonight.

He took **76 lbs of live poultry for me, to sell.** Mr & Mrs Sproul called on us last eve

Sat 11 Froze up last night. A strong N. West wind with squalls of snow George helped Clas Hall bulcher 3 hogs I was **churning & banking, the chicken coop. Drove over to Watrousville Station after Bro George.** Back from Det-t

Sab 12 Quite a strong cold N west wind. George & I attended Preaching Thurston was there to come home with us

Mon 13 Froze quite hard last night A cold N.W wind. George took a load of hay up to R J Jamesons in the fore-n.

Thurston & him were drawing wood in the log in the after-n. I was helping wash in the fore-n, Spliting wood shelling corn etc in the afternoon

Tues 14 A pleasant winter day. **George took Lucinda up to her Mothers this mornng.**

went after her toward eve They were working on a hay rack or rather a wagon rack the ball of the day

I finished banking the hen house **cleaned the pig pen shelled corn split wood** visited with Bro George etc

Wedns 15 A pleasant winter day George & Lucinda were at Caro. Thurston **was laid up with a heavy cold.**

I was doing chores seeing to things & visiting

Thurs 16 Snowed some last night A cold N wind. Milder this eve. Bro George & I spent the day at John Morrows The boys were at home. Thurston not able to work

Frid 17 A pleasant winter day. George went out to Caro got the horses shod & brought

**home a load of ice** I was doing chores & several other jobs Thurston not able to do heavy work

Sat 18 Mild this mornng, but gradually turned colder through the day. George went after ice this fore-n & up to Town in the after-n. I was **husking corn shelling some for poultry feed** etc.

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Paid for yarn mittens by George .43

Paid by George for shoeing Billy yesterday .50

Sab 19 A fine day. Bro George & I attended Preaching Thurston sick with h-d ache

Mon 20 A mild winter day. George went to Caro after **ice. has got 168 large cakes all told**

Thurston was doing chores & seeing to things I helped wash in the fore-n

Was picking up & packing my Satchel in the after-n **Thurston took Bro George & I to the depot this eve. Bro George to return to Alpena And I am going to Ray, Ind.**

**John & Eliza Morrow met us at Fairgrove going**

to Ray also. Thurston took home **1925 lbs soft coal**

We left Fairgrove abt 5.30 in eve for Sag. Fare .65  
Left Saginaw for Jaxon about 8 in eve Fare 2.94  
Arrived in Jaxon abt 1 1.30. **Bro Geo kept us company while we were in Saginaw**  
Tues 21 Cloudy & quite cold. We left Jaxon about 8 oc this  
mornng **Arrived in Ray Indiana** about 10 oc Fare 1.43

Walter Morrow met us at the Depot We went home with him & stayed till  
after dinner. when we started for Angus's. Found them at Mr Staleys where we spent an hour  
or more I went home with Angus in eve Wed 22 to

Frid 24 Quite mild winter weather I spent the past 3 days at Angs We attended Preaching  
at the Line in the eve. Services by Chas Trumbell of Morning Sun, Iwoa. I went home with  
**Cousin May Duguid** They live a mile west of Fremont & 5 m from Church in Indiana

Sat 25 Quite mild thawed some **Called on old friends around Fremont in the fore-n Cousin May**  
& I attended Church Services in P.M Ethel came home with us in eve

Sab 26 Colder this mornng, growed colder all day. A strong west wind with snow squalls in eve.  
I drove the rig to Church for Gam this mornng. Communion Services I went home with  
Walters after Services We attended Church

Services in the eve. Rev Trumbell assisted through communion Services

Mon 27 Quite frosty with a strong west wind. Walter & John Morrows folks & myself spent the day  
at Bro Angus I staid with them for the night

Tues 28 A fine winter day. Walter & John Morrows & ourselves spent the day at 11. G. Judsons. Had a fine visit

Wedns 29 Cloudy with a sharp frosty N.E wind. I drove over to Mt Gomery to see Dr Miner in the fore-n At home in P.M

Thurs 30 A fine bright day. We attended the L.M.S at Mr Abrams of Ray, Ind

Frid 31 Quite wintery today. Spent the day at Brother Angus's

#### FEBRUARY 1902

Sat 1 A mild winter day Angus took me over to Robert Logans & left me

Sab 2 Mild in the mornng. The wind com-ed blowing with squalls of snow about  
Church time. Quite wild going home. I went home from Church with R.O.L

Mon 3 Cold & windy **10 below zero this mornng.** I rode over to St Line with RO  
Logan. Went home with W Morrow

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Tues 4 A cold blustery day. 6 below zero Walter & John Morrows, Billy Beaks & I  
spent the day at Joseph McNaughtons and the evening at Rev Smiths

Wedns 5 Ther 10 below this mornng Walter & John Morrow Wm Beaks &  
I spent the day at R 0 Logans. I stopt at Angus's this eve to stay over night

Thurs 6 Quite mild this morning Angus & family Walter & John Morrows & families  
spent the day at Fred Staylies (?) I went home with Walters folks

Frid 7 Quite cold with a keen wind Walter & John Morrow & families with  
myself spent the day at David Mitchells I went home from there to Angus's this eve

Sat 8 Quite wintery. Has snowed more or less every night or day this week.  
Quite but not heavy fall any time. Staid with Angus

Sab 9 Cloudy with a cold west wind. Angus & I attended Church I went home with R.O.L

Mon 10 to Wedns 12 More quite cold & wintery pleasant the last 2 days.

Spent the time at R 0 Logans. **I taged 36 high bred Delane sheep** for him & trimed up part of his Bucks  
Recd a new business Coat & .50 in cash for the same .50

Thurs 13 A fine day. I spent the fore-n at Sam'l Chestnuts took dinner with them

Rode over to Ang's with R.O. L folks. Called on **Angie (Holly) now Mrs Cobb on the way**

Frid 14 A fine day but quite frosty mornng and eve. Angus & I drove out to Newt Woodards  
made a visit came home in the even-g. **Orie married & got a boy 5 mo old**

Sat 15 Not a bad winter day. I spent the day at Angs Went over to Mr Staleys  
toward eve to stay all night

Sab 16 Quite wintery. Attended Church with Mr Staileys. Went home with R.0

Mon 17 Quite wintery I helped Robert draw a load & pile 2 loads of shingles in the afternoon

Tues 18 Pleasant but cold in the fore-n Squalls of snow with cold N wind in the after-n.

I went over to Angie Cobb this afternoon. am going to stay all night

Wedns 19 Went back to R 0 Lagans after my specs this mornng.

Rode over to Ray with him from Ray to Angs. found him away.

Went over to Eben-r Duguids found the folks there took dinner with them. Came back to Angs this eve

Thurs 20 A fine day. Mr & Mrs Judson spent he day with us. Dined with us

Frid 21 A fine day. thawed considerable. Angus & family &

I spent the day at Amos Odoms. I called a Ebinezer Duguids this eve took supper with them



They took me over to W. Morrors & spent the eve

Sat 22 **Thawed quite fast Sleighing gone** Walters folks & I were visiting at Cousin Mays. I am going to stay all nt

Sab 23 'Thawed very fast. Attended Church Services. Went home with Ang Mon 24 A fine spring day.

Angus & I drove over to Mt Gomery with George after dinner.

**He is going to try to find a business location in Detroit**

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Tues 25 A fine day. Angus drew wood in the fore-n. I drove the horse over to Chas Hollys & spent the afternoon

Wedns 26 A fine day. Angs folks & I spent the day at Mr Henry Judsons

Thurs 27 A pleasant day. Wind S east A light rain fall in the eve. I spent the fore-n at Jas Haight's and the after-n at his son Jeans. Eat supper with them

Frid 28 Squalls mist with flurries of snow Walter Morrow spent the fore-n with us

He & I went to the Line & back to his place in P.M

### MARCH 1902

Sat 1 Cloudy & cooler. Walter & I spent the fore-noon at Mrs Mitchell French-s

Called on Thomas Speer in the after-n I went home with Walter this eve

Sab 2 Colder & cloudy. wind N.W We all were out to Church I went home with Rbt McNaughtons folks & staid till time for eve Services. I went home with Walters folks after Services

Mon 3 A pleasant winter day. Walter drove over to MtGomery with me this

fore-n I got to Angs in time for dinner Pd for Medicine .50

making \$1.25 paid him for 3 prescriptions since

Jan 28 & I have medicine enough to last until April I st or longer

Mr & Mrs Stailey took dinner with. I drove over to Rbt Logans this eve & staid some 2 or 3 hours. Bid them farewell & came back to Angs

Tues 4 A fine day. thawed some. **Bid the folks farewell & started for home'**

Angus took me to MtGomery after dinner. Walter met at MtG **We are going to stop at Reading over night.** Arrived on time. My fare to R .15 We took supper at Elmer Beckers, & spent the eve with Sq Carl, will stay all night

Wedns 5 A fine spring day. A cold air. **Bid the friends farewell & started for the train.**

Walter kept me Co **until the train left which soon separates friends no matter how dear to each other**

Left Reading about 8.30 Arrived Jax about 10.30. Arrived in Sag about 3.30

#### **Fare from MiGomery to Saginaw 4.25**

Left Saginaw for Fairgrove at 4.45 Met Thurston at the train. Fare from Sag .65

Paid Mrs Jainees Handley for a Brahma Cock .50

Got him the Monday before I started home

Thurs 6 A fine day. Lucinda & I were out to Caro.

Paid for our dinner & horse feed .65

Recd of Bro Archy a draft on N.Y for 136.40

the ball due me from Uncle Dani estate I recd \$50.00 from Archy last fall. Total\$186.40

I sent him \$30.00 with which to help pay court expenses. George & Angus

are to pay me \$10.00 a piece to make up for this money

advanced Recd of Angus his part of it 10.00

I got this draft cash today at Celey's Bank

Frid 7 A fine day. The boys were cuting wood in the fore-n. George & Lu went to Caro in the after-n.

Thurston & I were husking corn & other tinkering Lent the boys \$100.00 of the money recd yesterday

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Sat 8 A fine day but quite a snow in the eve. The boys **were husking corn & I was hanging an ax & other jobs in the fore-n.** We are finishing up our moving and cleaning out the house we left in the after-n.

Sab 9 Mild but cloudy. Thurston & I attended our Church & Geo & Lu at Town in the fore-n & again in the eve

Mon 10 A fine warm day. George & I attended a sale on the Town Line about I 1/2 miles south of Tagarts Comers at Van Buren

Tues 11 **A thunder storm last night** very cloudy the most of the time with rain again this eve.

I was doing chores, **husking corn** & up to town with Lucinda The boys were cuting & skiding stuff for wood

Wedns 12 A heavy rain the most of the day. George was up Town in the fore-noon Thurston

**was oiling & sewing harness** I bought of Wood & McLuney a single harness

Paid them for the same 11.50 Sent by George to do the business for me

Thurs 13 A fine day. We butchered a shoat in the mornng. The boys were **husking corn in the stalk &**

I was helping the **women cleaning up the yard & several odd jobs** Geo & Lu were up to Town this eve

Frid 14 A fine day. I finished puting up curtains cut up & salted the shoat etc

The boys were drawing wood to the house clipping Doc etc. **Him & Lu attended a Gleaner aid this eve**

The shoat weighed 108 lbs dressed

Sat 15 A fine spring day. I was busy doing chores. Getting ready for Company & visiting in the fore-n.

**Made 2 hog troughs repaired a wash tub** etc in the after-n.

**The boys went up to the Train after Warren Wife & girl this fore-n.**

[probably Warren Mann ½ brother to George and Thurston son of Clara Warren's daughter was Murza Mann]

Visited the most of the time with them. Husked some corn & done the chores Saw a pair of Robins

Sab 16 A heavy rain last night warm this mornng. The wind com-ed blowing about 9 oc this mornng & kept on increasing & working toward the north till eve when it com-ed freezing. I was out to Church

Mon 17 **Everything froze up solid this mornng** with a strong frosty north wind.

We spent the most of the day visiting doing chores I drove up to Town to do some trading in the P.M Paid Hall Gaylord for box rent until .10

Paid Elmer Jameson for subscription to Preachers Galery 5.00

Tues 18 Quite a wintery wind from the north. I was visiting & doing chores. The boys were at about the same thing

Wedns 19 A fine day. I was doing the busy work & Thurston was helping me

part of the time. George & Jay's were visiting at Frank Bedells. We attended a sale at Mrs Flora Fosters in the P.M burs 20 A white frost last night A fine day. The boys were moving E. B.

Jennings back to the East house I was at home in the fore-n. Over to Mrs

Fosters this mornng. Paid her for an iron cutter 5.00

Recd of John Mills for taging Sheep 20 hd .35

Frid 25 Pleasant but quite a chilly N.E wind. I was making a pig trough & other tinkering in the fore-n. Drove over to Orie Otises in the P.M Taged 10 sheep for him He is Dr to the same .17

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Recd of A Atkinson for taging.10 sheep Supper& cash Paid Frank Wood for repair on harness

Paid E J Otis for a pair of rubber shoes

The boys were building a pig pen in the fore-n Thurston George & Lu, Warren & family were over to Caro to see the Town & view the count They took Bertha Titsworth back to Caro also The boys are Dr to 24 flour got of E J Otis Thurston came home from Caro sick fever 102

Sat 22 A fine day. Thurston not able to be up this mornng. George & Warren were cutting & drawing a load of wood & cutting some of it & husking the fore-n I was doing chores & getting feed ready for Sabbath. I drove to Cousin Mary's & to Town in P.M Paid for trade at several places today

Warren went with me for a ride & to see the country George attended

5 in West, a mile North of the School House in the after-n

Sat 23 A fine day, but a cool air Warren & I were out to Preaching

Mon 24 A fine day but a cool air. Doct Handy was here to see Thurston

eve. George was binding corn into bundles & husking some at the barn

I taged 25 sheep for Rbt Wark in the fore-n dinner with them, Recd pay

Taged 10 for Jas Brodworth in P.M Dr to the same

Tues 25 Pleasant day with a cool east wind. George & Warren were over Akron in the fore-n.

I was away taging sheep Recd of John Cofield for taging 25 sheep

Recd of C.B Jameson for taging 9 sheep Paid E.J Otis for 1/2 lb tobacco

Wedns 26 A fine day quite a strong S. East wind. Thurston was plowing George & Jay were drawing corn

in the stalks in the fore-n **The boys were fighting fire on R J Jameson s**

**the most of the after-n.** George took E.B. Jennings & part of his saw to Caro afterwards

I was doing chores & tinkering & busy work

Thurs 27 A light shower last night. A very fine warm day. The boys **were loading their hay press** & went over to Frank Bedells to bale hay. Being new businees to them bothered them some time.

I was doing chores fix up pens for sows husking corn etc The sow we raised had 9 pigs.

One came dead The women & I took dinner with Mrs Jennings

Frid 28 Pleasant in the fore-n. Com-ed raining about 10 oc & rained quite steady & hard until 10 oc in the eve.

The boys baled hay at Frank Bedells Until stopt by the rain. I was doing chores, husking corn in the barn & other jobs

Sat 29 A fine warm day. The boys were husking corn repairing wind mill etc George & I taged 12 sheep in about 2 h in the fore-n. We were visiting with Warrens folks in the after-n.

The boys & Lu took them to the train for Saginaw this after-noon Sow No2 had a litter of 10 pigs last night

Sab 30 A dark cloudy day. Com-ed raining towards 11oc We were all out to Church. Rained hard the most of the after-n with squalls of snow

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Mon 31 Wind North with squalls of rain & snow in the fore-n. George & Lucinda

were over to Mrs Fosters & I was up Town & over to John McCreedy's in the after-n

**APRIL 1 1902**

Tues 1 st A cold chilly north wind with snow in the fore-n. Frank Bedelis folks spent the day here. I was doing chores & various jobs or tinkering. Carl Stotard took dinner here

Wedns 2 Cloudy with a cold chilly north wind Thurston was up Town after coal & trade & George **was making a place to keep milk** in the fore-n They went over to Frank Bedells after their hay press in the after-n. I was doing the busy work or a little bit of everything

Thurs 3 A pleasant day but a cool air. The boys were cutting wood I was about played out with a heavy cold

Frid 4 A fine day but a cold air The boys were taking up a pit of Beggas & other fussing in the fore-n Geo & Lu went out to Caro in the after-n. I taged

77 sheep for Sth Brownell in 3/4 day. Recd pay 1.25

Paid E J Otis for 1/2 lb tobacco .25

Sat 5 A fine day. The boys were husking & drawing corn & stalks. I was at home in the fore-n Drove up to Town & out to Will Kinneys & twice to the Depot from Town & back. There was quite a heavy white frost & freeze Thurs night

Geo recd for 9 bush of Beggas at Caro Friday 2.25

I taged 5 sheep for Rbt Cofield Dr to the same .10

Paid Oliver Johnston for short handled 4 tined fork .50

1 got 1/2 lb fence park staples Paid for them .05

1 paid for laundry work for us men folk .88

I had 3 fine shirts & 2 collars, my part

Sab 6 A mild day but quite cloudy. We were all out to Church or somewhere else

Mon 7 Cold & cloudy, froze quite hard last night. The boys were **drawing rails & wood** in the fore-n. George was away in the after-n & eve. I was over to John Faulkners & taged 19 sheep in the fore-n.

Dr to the same .32

I came home by Town to tag Will Kinneys sheep but he was not to be found

Tue 8 The ground was white with snow this morn. Warmed up this morn & soon thawed off. The boys were moving fence, building chicken park, etc. **I was cleaning out the calf & sow pens cutting roots & flxing a hen house in the park.** So as to separate the hens

Wedns 9 A fine day but a cold strong wind. Thurston & I finished the chicken park in the fore-n. Thurston husked & Lucinda & I were out to Caro in the after-n George went to Bay City after lumber. I paid the Purdy Bro for a pair

of sheep shears 1.25

They are warranted in material & work I paid for trade .20

Repairs on wool box .40

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Thurs 10 A fine spring day. **I was laid up with a heavy cold.** Thurston m plowing for Beets & George was at several jobs. He took 8 bush of Bt up to Town & brought home some lumber

Recd for 8 bush Beggas at .25 a bush 2.00

Frid 11 A very strong cold west wind **I was tending baby for the women yesterday & today.** The boys were working on their oat ground cultib,% & dragging

Sat 12 A strong cold N.W wind. The boys were working up oat ground in George was dragging a load of corn & Thurston was drilling oats in the a I was repairing my wool box & shears doing chores & getting things re. for Sab

Sab 13 Quite a cold chilly wind I was laid up with a heavy cold Georges fol were out to Church this eve Maude MtGomery left us this morn without cause or provocation Thurs when Lu & I were at Caro a Mr Bliss & Mrs Dorser came here & hired her

Mon 14 A dark cloudy day. Thurston was drilling oats George was putting a cabin for their Beet workers I was over to Mark Hobarts & sheared 15 he, of sheep Recd pay 1.00 I took a heavy cold by standing in the cold wind

Tues 15 A fine spring day. **There was a heavy frost last night.** Thurston **finished drilling oats** shortly after dinner Plowed for Beet: the bal of the day. Geo was working on his building. **I was having flashes chills & fever & about sick all day. I sowed 5 a of clover seed for the boys**

Wedns 16 A fine spring day. Thurston was plowing for Beets. George was driving over the country looking for a girl to hier. [ Perhaps Maude who had quit for another job may have been a nanny for the baby because all of a sudden Old Dan is pressed into this service even while he was sick.] **I was taking care of the baby nursing the gripp etc.**

George sent Dr Smith out to see me. Pd him for the visit 1.25

Thurs 17 A fine spring day. The boys were working on their cabin & drawing wood & stalks.

Thurston had to drive up Town after dinner **for material for their cabin**

I was tending baby & **nursing the gripp** Nettie & Adie were here & spent the most of the day

Frid 18 A fine day. Our folks & Frank Bedells **were out to the Bay fishing.**

They **caught about 2 bush altogether** Nettie Amer & I seen to things while they were away

Sat 19 A fine day. Thurston was plowing. George was husking corn & working on the cabin I was nursing the gripp & tending the baby

Sab 20 A fine day. Georges folks were out to Church mornng & eve. Thurs was at home with me as **I was not able to be out Dr Smith was here to see me today** Cr by the same 1.25

Mon 21 A warm spring day. **Quite a heavy electric storm** this after-n but not rain except sprinkles.

The boys were drawing corn plowing etc I was tending baby & nursing the gripp

**The first lamb of the season today**

Tue 22 Very warm. Thurston was plowing George was

**taking up potatoes drawing manure & plowing the garden** I was taking care of the baby & nursing the gripp

Wedns 23 Cloudy this fore-n with a strong cold west wind with squalls of mist

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or fine rain Quite pleasant in the after-n. Thurston was plowing for Beets &

George was fiting up the garden & early potato ground in the fore-n.

They **planted their early potatoes** about Put up a grist in the after-n. I was tending the baby & nursing the gripp

**[ But it appears that old Dan may have been getting worse as ]**

George went after **Dr Handy last night to come to see me this mornng.**

Thurston had to go to his place after medicine after dinner. He is Cr by a visit

Thurs 24 Quite a frost this mornng A fine spring day. George was out to Caro to Mill in the fore-n &

Thurston was plowing George plowed & Thurston with **team & roller** were helping

Mr Annables on their oat ground in the afternoon I was helping tend baby & nursing the gripp

Frid 25 Cloudy but did not storm in the fore-n. but rained the most of the after-n

The **boys with both teams helped** Mr Annable in the fore-n. Rained all after-n Thunder storm eve

Sat 26 Cloudy with squalls of rain & a cold chilly S & S.W wind. George went out to Caro after their Sugar Beet family in the fore-n Thurston & Lucinda went up Town in the afternoon.

They were working on their cabin the ball of the time. I was tending the baby & doct the gripp

Sab 27 A pleasant day but I did not feel able to attend Church Services.

Mon 28 A fine day overhead quite a cool breeze from the S

east after 3 oc P.M I rode out to Caro with Mr John Kirk The boys were cleaning up

the bottom of the straw stack & working up the Beet gnd

Tues 29 A fine day. Had a light spurt of rain after dinner. The boys were

working beet ground in the fore-n. George **was at a barn raising at Ed Pikes &**

**Thurston cultivated in the rain.** I was cleaning the hens nests & fixing up for **seting hens**

Wedn 30 A pleasant day, a cold air The boys were working up the Beet ground.

**George went to Town on the Wheel after dinner.** I was trying to do a little tinkering, grinding tools etc

## MAY 1902

Thurs 1 A fine fore-n but got quite cool toward eve. The boys were working up their Beet ground.

George Annabal was dragging for the boys with the team in the after-n.

**George went after Dr Handy for Lucinda this morning** I was making a Wheel Borrow to day

George drove up town this evening **Set 5 hens today**

Frid 2 A rainy fore-n Pleasant & warmer in the after-n. Frank Bedells folks were here. Frank & the

boys went out to Caro in the after-n. I was doing chores & working on the W Borrow in the after-n

Sat 3 Cold & cloudy in the fore-n Warmed up in the after-n. The boys were

working beet ground. George Annabal & team helped them George **wheeled** to Town after dinner

Rain with thunder this. Thunder also yesterday but no violent storm either time

Sab 4 Rain with thunder this mornng faired up before noon. I was not able to

attend Church & none of the rest went

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Mon 5 A fine spring day. The boys were at several odd jobs in the fore-n.

Thurston **plowed for corn** in the after-n & George plowed until 3.30 when Mr

Annabal & him went to Caro **after a Beet drill.** I went up to Dr Handys after

medicine for myself. Paid for the same .50

I just got started back home when I met **Thurston coming post haste after the Dr for Lucinda.**

Cause of trouble indigestion

Tues 6 A heavy rain with thunder in the fore-n. broke away about 9.30 A.M and com-ed raining about 2.30

in the after-n. & rained qwte hard the most of the time The boys were doing several odd jobs

Wedns 7 Fair overhead but the ground is full of water. The boys **were taking out the grubs & cleaning**

**out an old fence row** [grubs in this instance may mean weeds] I drove up Town in the afternoon

Thurs 8 A fine day with a strong west wind part of the fore-n & all of the after-n.

Thurston was plowing & George was drawing the last of the corn in the stalk & 83 bush of husked corn which finished it

Frid 9 A very cold chilly north wind Cloudy & threatened rain in the fore-noon but finally faired up. The boys were working up the Beet ground. Their new Beet drill got here about 5 oc this eve hitched up & tried it I was doing chores & cutting wood

Sat 10 **Cold & cloudy wind in the east** The boys finished fiting & sowing 5 acres of Beets this fore-n. They were fiting Beet ground in the after-n. I was cleaning hen roost cutting wood & choreing

Sab 11 **Ice nearly as thick as window glass this mornig** a fine day.

**I could not go to Church on acct of coughing so bad.** Thurston attended Church went home with Walter Jameson & attended at Town in the eve.

Geo & Lu were up to Town to Church. The **Jersey heifer calved this eve. Bull calf**

Mon 12 A fine day. Com-ed raining this eve,

**The boys fited & sowed 5 acres of Beets today making 10 acres**

Tues 13 Quite a rain last night a fine day.

Thurston **plowed for corn all day** & George in the fore-n. Him & I were up Town after dinner & he put in garden truck after our return **Thurston took the McCreedy cow over to Arnolds this eve.**

George & Lu are out to a surprise at R J Jamesons this eve **for the beneit of Orville's folks**

Wedns 14 **Ice 1/4 in thick on the tank** this mornig. & white frost besides

The boys were plowing for corn in the fore-n.

Thurston plowed & George drilled Beets for Chas Hall in the P.M

Thurs 15 **White frost this mornig & the ice 1/4 in thick in the tin water dishes for the poultry.**

Thurston was plowing all day. Chas Hall & team helped in the fore-n.

George sowed Beets some 2 or 3 hours for John Bishop this mornig went to Town after dinner & plowed the ball of the day & went to Dr Handys this eve to **get medicine for poison ivy**

Paid Dr Handy for medicine for myself .25

**Adaline Hinson died shortly after noon [May 1902]**

Frid 16 Quite a fine summer day. The boys were plowing in the fore-n

Thurston plowed in the after-n. George took his horse up to Joe Douglas for treatment

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**& went out to look for a horse to buy** afterwards

Sat 17 A very warm close air today Thurston was **draging with a 3 horse team**

George & I sheared their sheep 12 head in 1/2 day fie went to Town with the wool afterwards Recd of Fred Adams for 83 1/2 lbs of wool at. 15 1/2 @ Sab 18 Sunshine & showers quite warm Thurston was out to Church

**I could not go on acct of still coughing so much**

Mon 19 Exceedingly warm & a close atmosphere A light spurt of rain in the eve The

**Ther stood at 95 in the sun just after dinner** The boys were fiting the ground & sowing Beets on the back field

Tues 20 A fine day. The boys were fiting Beet ground & sowing Beets. Calvin

Jameson came after me to shear his sheep Sheared 7 head after dinner

Dr to the same .56

Wedns 21 A fine growing day The boys were plowing & fiting corn ground.

Recd of Wm Blain for shearing 19 sheep 1.52

Thurs 22 A fine growing day. The boys were fiting corn ground.

Geo Annabal & team were helping them. Jas Brodworth

Dr to shearing 10 sheep.80 spring taging.20 1.00

Del Smith Dr to shearing 7 head of sheep .56

1 came home this even-g. Stopt with C B Jameson nights & had Walters Colt to drive around

Frid 23 A fine day. Communion Fast day. George was fiting corn ground

Thurston helped mornig & eve. He & I attended Church Services Dr Trumbell assisted Mr Sproul

Sat 24 A fine day. George was away **taking orders for monuments**

Thurston was marking corn ground in the fore-n. He & I attended Church in the after-n.

I went home with John Morrows in the eve. John Bishop, Marvid Gage Frank Jennings & Mr Kailer were planting corn for the boys today. They quit work about 4 oc in the P.M Dan Parish Dr to shearing 10 sheep

.80 Sab 25 A fine day. Communion Sabbath. Thurston & I attended Church

Services. Thurston united with us this time for which I praise our heavenly Father.

May he have grace given him that he may live an honest Christian life and at its close hear this welcome Sentence well done good & faithful Servant enter thou into the joy of thy Lord

Mon 26 A dark cloudy day quite a strong N west wind. Thurston was drawing manure. George was drawing dirt & stone to the grave yard etc.

**(Tues 27)- 1 was out to see Dr Handy this fore-n Pd for med.50** George was over to Akron in the after-n after their mower & Beet cultivator

Tues 27 Cool & cloudy in the mornng with light spurts of rain. Pleasant in the after-n but cold air a day Thurston was plowing for beans in the fore-n & the piece east of the house in the P.M George went to Akron this after-n in place of yesterday. I got things down wrong for Mon on acct of company talking

Wedns 28 A cold air but pleasant **Thurston was draging for Mr Annabal** at Hunspergers. Geo & Lu were out to Caro in the fore-n & up to Town in the after-n.

**The boys recd for a small 2 yr old hiefer 25.00**

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Thurs 29 A fine day but a cool air light frost last night. Thurston was plowing bean ground.

**George was seting a monument for Mrs Robert Foster**, Got home about 2.30 cultivated Beets afterwards

Frid 30 A very fine day. **Thurston was plowing for beans. &**

**George was cultivating Sugar Beets. I was shearing for Jake Lehman and doing the castrating of Calves lambs & pigs Recd Pay 1.50**

Sat 31 A fine day. George was cultivating beets & Thurston was drilling Beets at Dan MtGomerys in the fore-n. George went to Town . Thurston finished cultivating beets about 2 oc(the first 10 acres) Plowed the ball of the P.M Earnest Layer led a horse for cultivating the first time over

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Sab 1 A fine day. Thurston was out to Prayer Meeting No Preaching

Mon 2 Several showers through the day with a very heavy one about 5 oc eve

So wet the boys could not use the teams

Tues 3 A fine day. The boys were at various jobs I sheared 9 head of sheep for

David Wark 3 hours yesterday after-n. Went home with Rbt Wark last eve

Sheared 25 head for him.08 cts apiece Recd pay 2.00

He brought me home this eve

Wedns 4 A fine day.

**George & Lu went out to Saginaw to attend their Cousin Wills funeral.**

**Thurston & I attended Ringling Bro show at Saginaw. Fare & ticket 1.15**

**Some one picked my pocket this eve just as I was going into the car They took my wallet with some 2.00 more**

Paid Sub for the Christ Nation for the present year 1.25

Paid for an Emory stone .30

Recd of Orville Otis for taging 11sheep this spring .18

Thurston Dr to cash lent him 2.00

Thurs 5 A fine day. George was cultivating beets

Thurston plowed in the fore-n Replanted corn in the after-noon

I was shearing sheep for David Wark Frid 6 A fine day

A light rain in the eve I finished David Wares sheep about 3

P.M 44 head all told at.08 pr head 3.50

1 sheared 5 head for John Davis in the eve. Dr to same .40

Sat 7 A fine day. The boys were cultivating beets I took Hattie up to

**Watrousville** this morning

Sab 8 A fine day. **I could not go to Church as my cough was so bad**

Hattie came home this evening

Mon 9 Pleasant but quite cold this mornng Thurston was sowing a few beets for

D MtGomery & plowing for beans George cultivated beets etc I sheared 9

sheep for John Cofield this fore-n Dr to the same .72

Tues 10 Pleasant but a cold air this mornng A light sprinkle of rain last night & this mornng

The boys were threshing beans working ground etc I was out trying to collect but failed

I sheared 5 head of sheep for Rbt Cofield last eve

Recd pay for that taging & wool twine .60

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Wedns 11Pleasant but cool & cloudy this mornng. Lent George

& Thurston for a short time cash 16.

The boys were fitting the ground & planting potatoes.

**I was hardly fit to be up**

Thurs 12 A fine day with quite a rain & thunder storm & rain this eve  
I took C B Jamesons garden drill home this mornng. Came home by Town paid for a gill  
of gth & bottle (?) .20 The boys were cultivating beets etc

Frid 13 A fine growing day. George was out to Caro in the

fore-n. & cultivating corn in the P.M Thurston was working on bean ground

Sat 14 A warm growing day. George went to Town after cultivator teeth in the mornng,  
Cultivated corn. Thurston working bean gd

Sab 15 A fine day. The folks were out to **Church I was not able to go**

Mon 16 Rained last night. A fine day. The boys & team were working the road

Recd of David Wark for shearing 3.50

I was husking corn & doing chores

Tues 17 Rain again last night. Quite cool this morning. A fine day for  
business. George was cultivating beets &

Thurston was working the bean ground I was carrying water for washing churn  
ing & husking corn in the fore-n Was over to Cousin Mary collecting in

P M Recd of John Cofield for shearing .72

Paid F Adams for pants & tunic 2.00

Paid Geo cash borrowed a short time ago

Wedns 11 A fine day, George was cultivating Beets,

Thurston worked corn the most of the day. I husked corn & cut wood

Thurs 19 A heavy shower last night a fine day. George worked beets.

Thurston drilled in some 4 acres of beans. worked corn etc

I recd of Jas Parker for shearing 12 sheep & cast-g 1.00

Recd of May Day for shg 12 sheep & castg 1.00

Frid 20 A fine day. A wet evening George worked beets in the fore-n

Went to Akron in the after-n Thurston worked corn.

**I was not able to do anything but chores**

Sat 21 A fine day. Quite a cold N wind George was drawing gravel in the district east of us.

Thurston was working corn I cut wood & chored what I was able

Sab 22 A fine day but there was none of us out to Church for several causes

Mon 23 **Quite cold this morning a light frost** a pleasant fore-n Showery in the after-n.

The boys worked Beets in the fore-n tinkered in the after-n I went to Mill in the fore-n

**Paid Dr Hamilton by George for medicine** this eve .25 My **old cow calved last night** Gray heifer calf

Tues 24 A fine day except a light shower after dinner.

The boys were working beets.

Mr Sproul took tea with us. I drove up to Town with him this eve

Wedns 25 Pleasant until 11.00 when it com-ed to rain

Carl & Thurs cultivated beets until stopt by the rain.

**The cow the boys got of me was taken with milk fever this mornng.**

**Died this evening The second one we have lost with it**

Each one of them well worth \$50.00

Thurs 26 Pleasant but quite cold The boys took Mr Taylor out to Caro to draw

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his money for work on beets Carl was working beets in the after-n

Frid 27 A fine day but a cool air The boys were cultivating beets & bean ground.

Carl was helping them **Wm Johnston was buried Cause old age [Jun 1902]**

Sat 28 A pleasant day but a cold air wind east this eve & quite cold

Thurst & Carl were cultivating beets & corn.

George was replowing part of the garden & planting to potatoes

Sab 29 A pleasant day cool air Thurston was out to Church but **I was not abel to attend**

Mon 30 A rainy fore-n Cleared up in the aftgem. The boys drove to Akron in  
the afternoon

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Tues 1 A pleasant day. Quite cold in the mornng & quite warm in the after-n. The  
boys drove out to Caro & up to Town in the fore-n Thurston was cultivating

Beets & George fitted the ground & sowed the Beggas & corn for fodder P

I recd of Jas Brodworth by Ed Otis for shg & taging 1.00

Recc of Del Smith by the same party for shg .56  
 Wedns 2 Cold & Cloudy this morn. Warmed up in the after-n.  
 Quite a shower before noon. The boys were cultivating beets  
 & corn Carl was helping them in the after-n  
 Thurs 3 Wet in the fore-noon George was out to Caro Thurston was at odd jo  
 Frid 4 A very heavy rainstorm this fore-n Very warm in the  
 after-n. The boys **were building a barn bridge & several other jobs**  
 The **folks except me** went to Caro this eve  
 Sat 5 A fine summer day. The boys were cultivating corn & beets.  
 Carl helped in the after-n I was out to Caro this fore-n.  
 Paid for a bottle of Shoops Coffective 1.00  
 by George got this last Wedns morn I paid for a course of **medicine** put up  
 by the Sipes Medical of Indianapolis Ind 5.00  
 Sent by Exopress to Caro. Pd charges for the same .40  
 Sab 6 A fine summer day **Thurston was so bad off with hay fever he could not go to church**  
**& I was not able to attend**  
 Mon 7 A fine warm day. The boys were cultivating beets & corn.  
 George cut some 5 or 6 acres of grass in the after-n Carl was helping them all day  
 Tues 8 A fine day very warm part of the time  
 Thurston was **sprinkling the potatoes & cleaning up the barn.**  
 Carl was moving fence corners & cultivating.  
 George **mowed & raked & cocked hay** Clarence helped part of the afternoon  
 Wedns 9 Quite a heavy rain last night & this morn. Too wet for farm-g  
 The boys **went a berrying in the after-n & got wet to the hide.**  
**Got some 10 qts in a short time**  
 Thurs 10 A fine day The boys were **shaking out & curing hay & recocking**  
 Clarence Jennings & Carl were helping part of the day. All cocked that was cut  
 Frid 11 A fine day. Fited & sowed a patch of Buckwheat in the fore-n Thurston  
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 done it & cultivated beets in the after-n.  
 Geo Carl & Clar-e were haying Sat 12 A fine day.  
 The boys Carl & Clar-e were **drawing & cocking hay** Sab 13 A fine day.  
 Thurston was out to Church but I was not able to attend.  
 Georges folks attended this eve.  
 Mon 14 A fine fore com-ed raining between 2 & 3 o clock.  
 The boys were cuting making & drawing hay until stopt by the rain.  
 Carl helped them  
**Thurston took me up to see Dr Smith last eve He is Cr by medicine 1.25**  
 Tues 15 A fine day. Thurston mowed in the fore-noon. Worked beets in the aftern  
 The other boys were working at the hay Carl put in about 3/4 time.  
**Mrs Sam'l Elliott was buried today Cause Consumption [Jul 1902]**  
 Wedns 16 A fine day. The boys were hoeing potatoes & working at the hay  
 Thurston was mowing & working beets  
 Thurs 7 A fine day - a light shower The boys were working at hay etc  
 E B Jennings cut the wheat the boys set it up. George cut in the after-n E B J  
 had to look after a sick horse Car Clarence were helping yesterday & today  
 Frid I 8 Quite a nice hay day. The boys finished cuting & were making & drawing hay.  
 Carl & Clararice were helping them  
 Sat 19 A rainy day there was no farming done today. George drove up Town.  
 He got of Ed Otis for me 1/2 lb tobacco Otis Cr to the same .25  
 Sab 20 Sunshine & showers. I was not able to attend Church as I cannot travel  
 alone, Thurston could not wear his shoe & sore toe  
 Mon 21 Sunshine & rain until about 2 oc No farming done today.  
 George & Lu drove over to Akron in the afternoon  
 Tues 22 PLeasant the most of the day. The boys were curing out & bunching hay  
 Carl was helping them Drawed 2 loads in the eve  
 Wedns 23 Rained a little last night a fair day.  
 The boys were curing & drawing hay.  
 Finished haying this eve Carl helped them Stacked loads at the barn  
 Thurs 24 A fine day. The boys were cultivating beans corn sugar beets



Frid 25 Sunshine & showers. The boys drew wheat when dry enough  
Some light spurts of rain in the after-n  
Sat 26 Pleasant in the fore-n. Rained almost continuously & hard in the after-n  
The boys were drawing wheat in the fore-n Carl Clarence & Emory & team  
were helping them Got their wheat & hay all dmwed before this heavy rain  
Sab 27 Rained through the night & rainy like this mornng but broke away  
We were not out to Church Mr Sproul away  
Mon 28 A fine day. The boys were diging potatoes & fixing up things  
Dug 17 bush to take to Town Brother George arrived here from Alpena this mornng.  
George met him at the train  
Tues 29 A fine summer day George went to Bay Clty with 17 bush of fine early potatoes  
nice & dry Market flooded. Sold them for.35 cts pr bush 5.95  
**Thurs drawing rails & fencing garden fences so as to keep the hogs out of the garden.**

Ed. Note: Thus ends "Uncle Dan's Journal" He obviously was quite sick  
and had been consulting several doctors for months, and taking much

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medication. His hand writing for the last several weeks was deteriorating quite rapidly. He probably died shortly after this time, but the records of burial were burnt up in a fire in the Brookside (Fairgrove, Mich.) Cemetery caretakers house fire in 1921, and the grave is unmarked. No other records are known of Uncle Dan, other than a report that Thurston (still a minor under 21) had to have his brother George L. Stewart appointed his guardian in February 1905, when the real father George E. Stewart of Alpena died in 1904. This would seem to presume that Uncle Dan, who had raised Thurston virtually all of his life must have died previous to George L. Stewart's death. There are no records at the Tuscola County Clerks office on Uncle Dan.

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