Diary of Andrew J. Zercher 1891 Transcribed by Fred Schenck June 2021

Thursday, January 1

Helping Wm Caldwell to butcher. Sleighing is partly played out. At M. E. Church this eve. They held their entertainment and treat of school. Paid 40 cents for this book. Cash: \$1.65. Cloudy & rain. Very damp.

Friday, January 2

About home & in shop all day. The directors met & invited a number of patrons & folks at Mr. McClure's School about some trouble in regard to his teaching which gives very poor satisfaction in general. Partly cloudy all day & warm. Light rain.

Saturday, January 3

About home all day. At store & IORM in eve. Was elected janitor. Geo Eckman resigned. Partly clear & cold.

Sunday, January 4

At Sunday school & preaching. Gave school cards, a.m. At home p.m. Owen Bruner & Wife here. Wife went to see Polly Kendig who is poorly. At church in eve & at Wm Smith's. Partly cloudy all day & cold.

Monday, January 5

About home a.m. At store & tending to chickens. Jacob W. Shenk's child died. I am to make the coffin. Funeral at Mt. Zion on Wednesday, a.m. Partly clear & cold.

Tuesday, January 6

In shop all day making casket for Shenk's child. Filed saw for David H. Shenk. 15 cents. Took rough box out this eve & in shop. Got a letter of W. F. Bruner. Mrs. P. M. Bruner & mother here. Paid fire tax: 95 cents. Cash: 25 cents. Partly clear & cold.

Wednesday, January 7

Attended funeral of Jacob Shenk's child, Roy Shenk, aged 3 months, 5 days. Rev. Warren Kissel preached from 46 Psalm, 5th verse. Buried at Mt. Zion, a.m. About home p.m. Got letter of A. C. Baldwin about Harrisburg. It looks bad. Partly clear & stormy & cold.

Thursday, January 8

In shop & swept hall of IORM as janitor, a.m. In shop & fixed bell rope at Hall & finished feeder for M.H. Groff, p.m. At store in eve. B.F. Hookey is filling his ice house. Senator J.D. Cameron was re-elected U.S. Senator yesterday. Rep. A. C. Baldwin did not vote for him. I give him credit. Cash: 10 cents. Clear & cold.

Friday, January 9

About home & hanging up pork & beef for smoking, a.m. Ed Pehlman & Jonas Bechtold here & traded show case on table & I paid him one (\$1) dollar cash to boot. The case is to be all right. Varnished the table & painted lard cans for Sue McAllister. Clear & cold.

Saturday, January 10

Took table over to Jonas Bechtold & brought show case along, a.m. well pleased with my trade. Left case out at store, a.m. At store arranging goods in case & on shelves, p.m. Hon John H. Landis stopped here & we all went to the Missionary Anniversary. Had a full house & good programming. Mr. Landis made an interesting address. Partly cloudy & cold. Moderating.

Sunday, January 11

At Sunday school. Mr. Noyer, a Japanese student at F & M who delivered an address last eve was at school & spoke to the same about the idols of Japan, & at prayer meeting, a.m. At home p.m. Cloudy & rain partly all day. Very unpleasant.

Monday, January 12

Went to Lancaster. Paid J. G. Shirk by check for tobacco. I bought 1 barrel coal oil for shop of M & R & gave check for same. Took cans over to McAllister's (painted). 40 cents. Seen A. C. B. at Lancaster. Heard today that Lew Hartman was the cause of me not getting the appointment at Harnish. Stormy & cold.

Tuesday, January 13

At church helping to take down decorations. Harry Markley & I at store. Got 2 gal, qt measure& funnel of Emanuel. About home p.m. working at poultry. Got 27 chicks out of 29 eggs, but 2 eggs had been broken. Leaving 27 eggs. An extra hatch. Road tax laid today. League met. Will have entertainment. Partly cloudy. Light snow morning.

Wednesday, January 14

At Bortzfield's store. Sold 2 doz. eggs & cleaned poultry house & tending 5 chicks, etc. Have 52 chicks now. At store in eve. Partly cloudy & cold.

Thursday, January 15

At Grandmother's & C. B. Miller's, a.m. In shop, etc., p.m. Had a surprise for Mr. Noacher, our pastor at Mr. Yentzer's house. 32 persons were present & had a very pleasant time. Clear & pleasant.

Friday, January 16

About home. Sent proposal for collecting tax to John Brenner, a.m. About home. Finished trimming grapes, etc., p.m. Michael Kreider got chains from shop. Painted & repaired. 85 cents. Partly clear & pleasant.

Saturday, January 17

In shop, etc., a.m. At store p.m. At IORM in eve. Light snow last night. Cloudy & rainy. Sleet partly all day.

Sunday, January 18 At Sunday school & preaching. Text: 2 Cor. 7:10, a.m. At home & lectures p.m. At John Wade's church in eve. Text: Prove 30:24 to 28 inclusive. Partly cloudy & cold. Light snow last night.

Monday, January 19

At Lancaster all day. Took boards in to Bartholomew's to have planed. Paid 60 cents for same. John Wade & I went to see J. W. Bushey. He wants us to mfg cigars for him but I am afraid the contract is too large for us. Settled with B. F. Henry for his father's coffin. Balance \$6.99 for \$2.00. Cash: \$2.00. Partly clear & cold.

Tuesday, January 20

In shop all day working at bench. Out at store in eve. Rec'd letter of W. F. Bruner. Robert E. Pattinson was inaugurated Governor of Pennsylvania today. Cash: 5 cents. Partly cloudy all day.

Wednesday, January 21

In shop all day working at bench. At store & J.R. Yentzer's in eve. Owen Bruner's Wife not well. Partly cloudy & damp all day.

Thursday, January 22

In shop all day working at bench. At store & J. R. Yentzer's in eve auditing the accounts of the Missionary Society. Heavy rain last night & up to 3 p.m. Partly cloudy all day.

Friday, January 23

In shop all day working at bench. At store in eve. Clear & pleasant.

Saturday, January 24

In shop a.m. Helping to fix up store for entertainment. Got word of the death of Jacob Johnson & went down to take charge of body. Very ugly trip. Roads bad & rained & then snowed partly the whole way. Loaned W. G. Henry \$2.00. To get his watch for security. Cash: 10 cents. Partly cloudy all day.

Sunday, January 25

At P. M. Bruner's & Home. Had started for Sunday school but had none on account of snow last night. About 6 inches of snow, a.m. In shop working at coffin, p.m. At Owen's a while in eve. Ellie asked me to write to Rev. Noacher as she wants to be baptized. She is not well at all. Partly clear all day.

Monday, January 26

In shop all day working at coffin. Chris & his wife's coffins are the plainest I ever made. Walnut & only oiled to peaked lid. He told me how to make his when his wife died over 2 years ago. Cold in morning. Partly cloudy & clear & warm.

Tuesday, January 27

Went to attend funeral of Jacob Johnson down below Stone Mill. Benj G. Markley hitched his two horses in hearse. The worst (muddy) roads I ever drove. C. B. Miller & Simon Grabill preached. Text: Philippians 1.21. Aged: 72-6-19. Charged \$25.00. Rev. Noacher here & he baptized Mrs. O. F. Bruner & confirmed her. I was present. Mother Kendig is poorly. Clear & pleasant over head.

Wednesday, January 28

At Grandmother's & Uncle C. B. Miller's, a.m. Home & out at store p.m. At J.R. Yentzer's practicing singing (choir). Partly clear & cloudy.

Thursday, January 29

In shop partly all day. Dr. I. M. Witmer paid me for poultry food: \$1.33. At store in eve. Rec'd tax book of county commissioners to copy. Cash: \$1.33. Cloudy & rain.

Friday, January 30

Repaired seats in Graded School: 25 cents & about home & shop. Clear, pleasant.

Saturday, January 31 About home & fixed up stage & curtain for League entertainment, a.m. At home & settled with School Board Bill: \$1.60. Paid my tax, \$2.31. At IORM in eve. Cloudy all day. Light rain.

Sunday, February 1

At Sunday school & preaching. Text: Matthew 8 ch, 6 ver, a.m. At home. Wife & children at Dr. I.M. Witmer's p.m. At preaching in eve. Text: Song of Solomon, 5th chapter, latter clause of 16 verse. Cloudy partly all day.

Monday, February 2

Out at store & shop & C. A. M. brought 1 bedstead & 1/2 doz Chairs from Fionna Martin's to repair & about home, p.m. At Hall practicing in Eve. Cash: 10 cents. Partly clear & pleasant.

Tuesday, February 3

In shop all day. Uncle C.B. Miller brought load lumber from Millersville. At Hall practicing in eve. Cloudy all day. Rain part of a.m. & p.m.

Wednesday, February 4

In shop all day. Supt. Brecht is visiting our schools. At Yentzer's in eve. Ther down to 19 this morning. A change of about 20 degrees from yesterday. Clear & very cold. A change of about 20 degrees from yesterday.

Thursday, February 5

In shop all day. At store & practicing in eve. Cash: 10 cents. Clear & cold. The coldest day. 14 degrees above zero.

Friday, February 6

In shop all day. A big change in the weather from yesterday. 26 degrees. Partly clear & pleasant .

Saturday, February 7

About home & arranging Hall for entertainment but did not have it on account of extreme wet weather. Raining partly all day. It was postponed till next Saturday eve. At IORM in eve. Cloudy all day & rain.

Sunday, February 8

At Sunday school a.m. At the funeral of Nathaniel Shenk, p.m. Was buried at River Corner church. Very large funeral. About 400 people there. Rev. John Brubaker preached from Psalm 88, latter part of verse 8. His age was 71-5-14. Uncle C. B. Miller & Wife here & P. M. Bruner short time. Partly cloudy & cool.

Monday, February 9

Went to Lancaster with Dr. I. M. Witmer a.m. At home to visit A. R. Caldwell. School of East End has a good school. Was pleased with it. Out at store in eve. Cash: \$1.26. Cloudy & rainy partly all day.

Tuesday, February 10

In shop all day & at store & League in eve. Paid Jacob Henry \$1.25 for horse hire to date. Cash: 10 cents. Partly cloudy all day. Getting colder.

Wednesday, February 11

In shop all day. Got 36 ft of boards of D. Bartholomew: \$1.44. D. G. Kendig got boards for thrasher: 50 cents. Cash: 23 cents. Partly clear all day.

Thursday, February 12

In shop all day. Got 1 bus corn of John Graver: 60 cents. Paid for same. Had a rehearsal for entertainment this eve. Cloudy all day. Light rain p.m.

Friday, February 13

In shop, etc., all day. Sold out my entire stock in store to John Wade at cost. Got word of Martin Christ & Nancy Musser that they would like if I would farm their place. Cloudy partly all day. Light rain.

Saturday, February 14

In shop & Grandmother's a.m. About home.

At Musser's to see about farming & will take the place on the half. At church at a congregational meeting. It was called with regards to refinishing fence, etc. Mrs. J. R. Yentzer, A. J. Zercher & H. Martin a committee to make board walk fence & raise deed necessary. Large entertainment in eve. Clear & pleasant.

Sunday, February 15

At Sunday school & preaching. Text: Rom 5:1, a.m. At home. Jos M. Witmer & Wife here & took supper with us, p.m. At church in eve. Text: Matthew 12.1.2.3. Today I am 34 years old. It only seems as yesterday that I was a boy. Partly clear & pleasant.

Monday, February 16

At Lancaster a.m. Gave Winner & Co. 15 day note: \$18.25 for supplies. Got \$2.24 for copying Tax book for Commissioners. John H. Landis endorsed for \$2.00 in Northern N. Bank. Cash: \$2.24. Partly cloudy all day & rain.

Tuesday, February 17

At election all day. Following is the ticket & vote. Judge: B. F. Hookey, Jos Waller. Inspectors: H. W. Hess, Jacob Morrison. Tax Col: Val Kneisley. Asst. Assessors: I. Frank, Sam Fehl. Sup: Mack Lefever, Sam McLaughlin, D. R. Shenk, M. Benedict. School Dir: J. M. Warfel, E. H. Zercher, M. M. Bortzfield, W.E. Miller. Auditor: F. L. Foutz, Geo A Trippole. Town Clerk: Theo Jones. Total vote polled: 318. Cloudy all day. Heavy rain in a.m.

Wednesday, February 18

In shop all day. Ther up to 64 in Shade. Partly clear & pleasant.

Thursday, February 19 In shop all day. Partly clear & cooler.

Friday, February 20

In shop, etc., a.m. At sale of S. C. Taylor. Bought shovel harrow: \$3.00. Brought it along. Cash: 25 cents. Partly clear.

Saturday, February 21

In shop, etc., a.m. At Mrs. Theo Patterson's Sale. Bought hanging light, p.m. At Miss Annie Urban's entertainment in eve, which was postponed till next Saturday eve on account of the rain & bad roads. At IORM & home. Raining partly all day.

Sunday, February 22 At Sunday school & prayer meeting, a.m. At home p.m. Partly clear & colder.

Monday, February 23

In shop all day (partly). At Mart Musser's in the morning. Sold 15 lbs. poultry @ 9 cents = \$1.35. Dr. Witmer got cigar table: \$1.25. Cash: \$1.10. Partly clear all day.

Tuesday, February 24

In shop a.m. At sale of personal property of Christ E. Miller's. Large sale & high prices was the go today. Republican League met this eve & paid me \$4.50 for 3 months' rent to date. Partly cloudy all day.

Wednesday, February 25

In shop all day. Filed saw for Grandmother: 15 cents. Partly cloudy & rain.

Thursday, February 26

In shop all day. Filed saw for Geo Shaub: 15 cents. Got 1 bus. corn of John Graver & paid for same: 60 cents. Cash: 15 cents. Cloudy all day. Rain a.m. Snow p.m.

Friday, February 27 In shop all day. Partly cloudy & cold. Great change in weather.

Saturday, February 28 At Isaac Shenk's. Got horse for \$40 & fixing stable for same. Will not get him before Monday. At IORM in eve. Geo W. Shaub was initiated into the order & at Miss Annie Urban's entertainment afterward. Partly cloudy & cold. Light snow in eve.

Sunday, March 1

At Sunday school & preaching. Text: Mark 1:13, a.m. At home & at Pap Bruner's. Mrs. Sourbeer was baptized & confirmed this p.m. At church in eve. Text: Isaiah 1:3. Partly clear. Coldest day. Ther 16 above zero.

Monday, March 2

At Lancaster. Got horse I bought of Isaac Shenk & am well pleased with him. Paid him this eve for the horse \$40.00 in cash. Bought turps, oil, etc., for shop. Bought 1 horse plow of Maris Benedict for \$5.00. Partly clear all day. The coldest day. 13 degrees above.

Tuesday, March 3

In shop all day. Paid B. G. Markley \$2.00 in full to date. Snowed last night & partly all day. Cloudy & cold. Snowing.

Wednesday, March 4 In shop all day. Partly clear & cold.

Thursday, March 5

In shop all day. Filed saw for C. B. Miller & reframed Chairs for Jos Urban: 60 cents paid. Cash: 60 cents. Partly cloudy.

Friday, March 6

In shop a.m. At John Shreck's sale, p.m. Bought 1 set Yankley harness, collar, bridle, etc., \$5.99. At Lenn Clark's in eve. His child died. To be buried at Brick Church, Willow Street (Old Mennonite). Cloudy all day & cold. Damp.

Saturday, March 7

In shop all day making coffin (for Lenn Clark's child & son). Rough box to cemetery. Got 1

bus. corn of John Graver. At entertainment for benefit of League & orchestra in eve. Received \$10.00 of John Wade on stock in store. Coffin for Lenn Clark's child: \$6.00. Cash: \$10.00. Light rain in eve.

Sunday, March 8

At Sunday school a.m. Attended funeral of John Heinitsh Clark, son of Lennuel Clark, aged 10 months 6 days. Abrm Herr preached from 1st Saml 3:18. Buried at the brick Church, Willow Street. Isaac Smith died last night (plasterer) of pneumonia. Benj Kendig & wife & Annie Miller here p.m. Cloudy all day & rain p.m.

Monday, March 9

At Amos McAllister's to settle. Paid him \$1.60 balance to date. In shop & paid J. F. Caldwell for mdse to date. Rec'd \$4.00 of John Wade on stock in store. Cash: \$4.50. Cloudy all day & rain. Heavy rain in p.m. Very windy.

Tuesday, March 10

In shop & called to Christ Warfel's to take charge of Mrs. Henry Musser's corpse. She died there. Will be buried on Friday at 9 at houses & 10 o'clock at the Old Mennonite Church (River Corner). At John Graver's Sale p.m. Bought 30 locust posts @ 10 cents & scythe & shovel. Cash: \$1.00. Clear all day. Roads are frozen solid this morning.

Wednesday, March 11

In shop all day getting casket ready & at Yentzer's in eve practicing singing. Partly cloudy.

Thursday, March 12

In shop & putting up posts & lamps at pulpit in church (Reformed), a.m. At John Clark (Jr) Sale & in Shop, p.m. Sale was on John D. Shenk property. Rain partly all day.

Friday, March 13

At the shop & went to attend funeral of Mrs.

Henry Musser At Christ Warfel's. Hettie Musser, aged 35-9-18. Abrm Herr, F. G. Carson & John Brubaker preached. Text: Joshua 2.12. Very large funeral. David B. Warfel's child died this a.m. Roads very bad. Cloudy all day. Rain p.m.

Saturday, March 14

At Safe Harbor bringing Rev. Noacher from train & in shop a.m. In shop p.m. Henry Musser here & paid for his wife's burial coffin, Shroud, etc., furnished by me: \$40.00. At Missionary meeting in eve. Mrs. Geo Warfel died this p.m. Cash: \$40.00. Clear & cold. Great change from yesterday.

Sunday, March 15

At Sunday school & preaching a.m. At home p.m. At church in eve. Clear & cool.

Monday, March 16

In shop a.m. Got word of the death of Mrs. Herr who had her home at Benj Gochenaur's. Went out & embalmed the body. Very stout. She died of cancer. Paid J.F. Caldwell \$10.00 on rent & making coffins, p.m. & eve. Partly clear & pleasant.

Tuesday, March 17

In shop making coffin & rough box. Mrs. Geo Warfel was buried this a.m. Aged 98 years, a.m. Sent John Wade away with rough box down to Old Mennonite Church, Strasburg, p.m. In shop in eve. Clear & pleasant.

Wednesday, March 18

Went to attend funeral of Maria Herr, aged 80 years & 27 days. Benj Hartgler & Amos Shenk preached. Text: Isaiah 35-2 & Hebrew 4-9 respectively. Clear partly all day.

Thursday, March 19 In shop all day. Partly cloudy all day.

Friday, March 20 In shop all day. Paid Morris Benedict \$5.00

for 1 horse plow. Rec'd \$3.00 of Levi Neff for balance of tax in 1889. Cloudy & rain partly all day.

Saturday, March 21

In shop a.m. & part of p.m. & at the sale of Wilson H. Butler. Bought double barreled gun for \$2.00. Cloudy all day. Light rain.

Sunday, March 22

At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. & eve. Cloudy all day. Light rain.

Monday, March 23

In shop all day. Sent check to J. H. Widmyer for \$20.00 for furniture. Got 1 1/2 bus. corn of John Graver. Cash: 20 cents. Partly cloudy all day.

Tuesday, March 24

In shop a.m. Helped Owen F. Bruner to move to West Willow, p.m. At Yentzer's in eve practicing singing. Partly clear all day.

Wednesday, March 25

In shop a.m. In shop & sowed tobacco seed, etc., p.m. Partly clear.

Thursday, March 26

In shop a.m. Took Myers Kendig's furniture over to Millersville, p.m. & Phyanna Funk (Martin) here & paid for painting chairs and bed: \$3.00. Cash: \$3.25. Clear partly all day.

Friday, March 27

In shop partly all day. Began snowing about 4:30 & snowed all day. Rev. Noacher came here this a.m. Will be here till Monday. Cloudy & snow.

Saturday, March 28

In shop partly all day. Snowing partly all of last night & this a.m. Snow about 15 inches deep. At IORM in eve. The following officers were elected: S: J.F. C. SS: H. W. H. JS: F. L. F.

CER: B. F. H. Asst. C of R: A. J. O of W: J. H. Trustee: B. F. H. Rep: C. T. Jan: B. H. M. Cloudy all day.

Sunday, March 29

At Sunday school & church. Celebrated Holy Communion, a.m. At home p.m. At church in eve. Had Easter services consisting of singing, responsive reading, etc. Clear.

Monday, March 30

In shop. Rev Noacher left this morning. Uncle C. B. Miller here. We settled to date with balance of \$11.58 in my favor & to have \$5.00 worth of hay yet. Got word of the death of John Core's child. Making coffin for same. Will hold no funeral. Snow going very fast. Cash: \$11.58. Clear & pleasant.

Tuesday, March 31

Went to Mrs. Funk's to load Fiona's furniture, etc. Buried John Core's child (Willie), at the Reformed Church, this place. No funeral. Charged \$4.00. Rec'd cash, a.m. In shop p.m. Paid the following bills: M. M. Bortzfield, \$8.00. M.H. Groff: \$5.51 & J. F. Caldwell balance and on rent \$5.00. Cash: \$4.00. Cloudy & rain partly all day.

Wednesday, April 1

At Lancaster. Took furniture in to Fionna Martin & paid the following bills in full to date. G. M. Steinman: \$3.95. J. H. Landis: \$15.00. A. G. Giles: \$16.25. W. G. Mellinger: \$15.45. Carpel-Hall Co.: \$10.43. Wm Pugh: \$7.40. Wm A. Haskel: 60 cents. P. C. Miller: \$1.00. Bought 20 pounds sugar granulated @ 5 1/2 cents. Soft white @ 5 cents. Cash: \$31.71. Cloudy all day.

Thursday, April 2

At Wm Caldwell's helping to load household goods to Pugh's Mill. H. McAllister is taking charge & in shop balance of day. Sold 30 lb. poultry @ 9 cents = \$3.42. Cash: \$3.56. Cloudy all day. Rain p.m.

Friday, April 3 In shop all day. Cloudy & rain.

Saturday, April 4

In Shop all day. At IORM in eve. Charlie A. Roads, Safe Harbor, was found sitting in bed dead. It is supposed that he died on Thursday night & was only found this eve. Cloudy all day. Light rain & snow

Sunday, April 5

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. At home & Musser's. Wife & children & Mrs. Wm Smith went down to see Mrs. Owen F. Bruner. She is not very well at all, p.m. At Mt. Zion Church in eve. Partly clear & cold.

Monday, April 6

At Lancaster. Took furniture in for Phyanna Martin & bought cottage suit for Mrs. Jacob Kreider & an extension table for him & delivered them, p.m. Cash: 50 cents. Clear & pleasant.

Tuesday, April 7

Took furniture to Jacob Kreider this a.m. & got paid for cottage suit: \$31.00 & bought 3 bus oats of Abrm H. Miller to sow, a.m. In shop p.m. Frank Henry had horse to fetch a few coal from Harbor. Chas J. Roads buried today. Cash: \$31.00. Clear & pleasant.

Wednesday, April 8

In shop partly all day. Sold spring chicken to M. M. Bortzfield. 56 lb. & 27 cents per lb. Total, \$15.12. Not 3 months old. Digging garden, p.m. Light snow. Partly cloudy all day.

Thursday, April 9

Hauling out manure on Musser's property this a.m. This is the first work I did on that

place. In shop & spread manure p.m. Partly cloudy.

Friday, April 10

Down at Musser's plowing for potatoes a.m. & got ready & planted 2 bus of early potatoes this p.m. Frank Benedict helped. Paid him 15 cents. Cloudy & very damp & light rain.

Saturday, April 11

In shop all day. Rain a.m. & part of p.m. Thunder gust in eve & heavy rain. At IORM in eve. Had a supper. Cloudy all day.

Sunday, April 12

At Sunday school & preaching a.m. At home & Missionary entertainment in eve. Cloudy partly all day.

Monday, April 13

At Lancaster all day. Sold horse that I had bought of Isaac Shenk for \$30.00. Got word that Maris Hess is very low at Pittsburgh. S. B. Good went out this eve. Cash: \$30.00. Clear & very pleasant.

Tuesday, April 14

At Myra Kendig's moving all day. Got a telegraph dispatch of the death of Maris O. Hess, Pittsburgh & am to bring the remains from Lancaster tomorrow morning. Clear & warm partly all day. Cloudy in eve.

Wednesday, April 15

Went to Lancaster to bring remains of Maris O. Hess. Arrived here by noon. He looks very natural. It is a hard shock for his mother. The funeral is to take place on Saturday at 9 & 10 o'clock. Cash: 75 cents. Partly clear & warm.

Thursday, April 16

Down on farm hauling & spreading manure. Benj Markley hauling manure, etc. Partly clear all day & warm.

Friday, April 17

At Musser's sowing oats & planting potatoes, etc. Benj Markley plowed, etc., 3/4 day. Partly clear & warm.

Saturday, April 18

Attending funeral of Maris O. Hess. Aged 26 years, 10 months, 9 days. D. John Brubaker preached from St. Luke 7:14. Large funeral. Miss Lizzie Bomberger of Lebanon here, he being engaged to be married to her. Cloudy a.m. Partly cloudy p.m. Gust in eve.

Sunday, April 19

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. At S. B. Good's & Brother Emanuel's , p.m. At home in eve. Mrs. Elizabeth Good, widow of Martin Good, died last night. Partly clear all day.

Monday, April 20

At Lancaster today. Bought horse of E.H. Kauffman for \$70.00. Paid \$20.00 cash & gave note for \$50.00 at sixty days. Partly clear & warm.

Tuesday, April 21

Plowing all day at Musser's. My horse does pretty well. Elizabeth Good was buried today. Clear & warm, a.m. Cooler p.m.

Wednesday, April 22

Plowing all day. Finished the sod. Partly cloudy all day. Light rain a.m.

Thursday, April 23

At Adam Good's papering all day. \$1.50. Henry had horse all day. Partly cloudy. Light rain p.m.

Friday, April 24

At Adam Good's papering all day. \$1.50. Dr. R. S. Clinger is poorly. Henry had horse 3/4 day. Clear & cool. Frost this morning.

Saturday, April 25

At Adam Good's 3/4 day. \$1.00. Finished papering. at IORM in eve. Will Urban & — Kendig we're imitated. Henry had horse all day. Cash: \$4.00. Clear & pleasant.

Sunday, April 26

At Sunday school & preaching a.m. Beckie Caldwell was here all day. At church in eve. Clear & warm.

Monday, April 27

Plowing at Musser's a.m. In shop & Lot p.m. Henry has horse all day. Clear & warm.

Tuesday, April 28

At Amos Warfel's all day papering. \$1.50. Henry has horse all day. Clear & warm.

Wednesday, April 29

At Amos Warfel's all day papering. \$1.50. Henry had horse all day. Clear & cool. Frost this morn.

Thursday, April 30

At Amos Warfel's 1/2 day papering. 75 cents, a.m. Hauled and manure at home, etc., p.m. Got a letter of W. F. Bruner of Philadelphia this eve. Henry had horse all day. Cash: \$2.15. Clear & warm.

Friday, May 1

At home on lot making fence, etc., all day. Partly clear & warm.

Saturday, May 2

At M. M. Bortzfield's papering a.m. & part of p.m. Dr. P. S. Clinger died very unexpected this a.m. Clerked the Primary Election p.m. Rec'd \$1.00 for same. Candidates for Judge of Court: H. Clay Brubaker, 156. John B. Livingston, 102. Votes polled, 258. Got word that sister Ellie is poorly at Lancaster. Went in to see her tonight. She looks bad. Cash: \$1.00. Partly cloudy all day.

Sunday, May 3

At Lancaster to see Ellie. She is not good at all, a.m. At home p.m. At IORM in eve making arrangements to attend funeral of Dr. Clinger on Tuesday at 9 & 10 o'clock. Rain last night. Cloudy all day.

Monday, May 4

At M. M. Bortzfield's in morning. Finished papering & then went to Amos a Warfel's to paper again. made 3/4 day. Filed saw for D. G. Kendig: 25 cents. Henry had horse all day. Cash: \$1.00. Had frost last night. Partly cloudy & cool.

Tuesday, May 5

At the funeral of Dr. P. S. Clinger. The Tribe attending in a body. 40 members being present, a.m. At Amos Warfel's papering p.m. Met at IORM this eve to adopt resolutions on the death of Bro Clinger, being one of the Committee. Miles Keports found dead in bed. Partly cloudy & cold all day.

Wednesday, May 6

At Amos Warfel's all day. Finished papering. Snowed part of a.m. Bro Emanuel had horse today. 50 cents. Cash: \$6.37. Cloudy, stormy & cold.

Thursday, May 7

Ascension Day. Not doing much all day. Down at Wm Caldwell's p.m. Got 2 bus feed, \$1.15 & 1 peck of cracked corn, \$2.16. Paid for same & bill to date. Miles Keports was buried today. Bro Emanuel paid horse hire: \$5.00. Partly cloudy & cool.

Friday, May 8

At Adam Good's papering 3/4 day: \$1.25. Saw them plant tobacco by machinery this eve. This is certainly a great invention & worked well. E. H. Zercher had horse today: 50 cents. Cash: \$1.25. Partly cloudy & warm.

Saturday, May 9

At home on lot & making drag, etc., a.m. White washing p.m. At Missionary meeting & IORM in eve. Clear & warm.

Sunday, May 10

At Sunday school & church a.m. At home p.m. At church in eve. Clear & warm. Ther 97 degrees.

Monday, May 11

Harrowing corn ground of Musser's partly all day. John Wade got board, 24 cents, paid. Thunderstorm p.m. The ground is very dry on top. Had horse shod with Amos T. Martin: 40 cents. Cash: 34 cents. Clear & warm a.m. Partly cloudy & rain p.m.

Tuesday, May 12

At Lancaster attending a parade of the IORM In honor of Tamany Day. Got home at 3:30 p.m. & worked at corn ground after supper. Gust last night but not much rain. Partly clear & pleasant.

Wednesday, May 13

Dragging & harrowing & furrowed out corn ground at Musser's all day. Martin Christian & Manny Musser were taken into Church today by the Old Mennonites. Warm & clear.

Thursday, May 14

Planted corn at Musser's, etc., all day. Got 400 lb. of phosphate for on it of Jacob Henry. Got 2 bus corn chop & 1 bus bran & 1/2 bus cracked corn @ \$1.53. Today ends my 13th year in business in this place. Cash: 10 cents. Partly cloudy all day & dry.

Friday, May 15

In shop partly all day. Made table for H. Ermine: \$75 cents. John Wade board: 10 cents. Rec'd of Catherine Hess \$10.00 for funeral of Maris O. Hess. Today I am starting my 14th year in business here. Cash: \$10.00. Cloudy all day. Rain p.m.

Saturday, May 16

In shop, etc., a.m. In shop & lot, etc., p.m. Fixed bed for John J. Good: 50 cents, paid. Planted a little tobacco for the first today. Cash: 60 cents. Partly cloudy. Light rain a.m.

Sunday, May 17

At Sunday school prayer meeting. Wife & Wm Smith & wife we're down to see Ellie Bruner. She is not well at all, a.m. At home, at Yentzer's & Mart Musser's p.m. Heisers from Lexington here & Celinda Eby & Mrs. here. Partly clear & very cool all day.

Monday, May 18

Plowing sod. Milton Shaeffer & wife & Mrs. Manda Heisey here for dinner from Lexington. Plowing, etc., p.m. At home in eve. Clear & warm.

Tuesday, May 19

Plowing & harrowing, etc., on lot. Jacob Henry had horse 1/4 day. Partly cloudy all day.

Wednesday, May 20

At home on lot a.m. At Musser's p.m. Planted 1 bus potatoes there. Light rain a.m. Cloudy p.m.

Thursday, May 21

Hoeing potatoes, etc., at Musser's a.m. Planting tobacco, etc., p.m. Jacob Henry had horse 1/2 day. Partly cloudy. Very light rain in eve.

Friday, May 22

Harrowing & dragging tobacco patch at Musser's a.m. Home pulling plants, etc., p.m. Heavy rain (gust) at 5 o'clock & hail about the size of peas. Cash: 10 cents. Partly clear a.m. Rain p.m. & very damp.

Saturday, May 23

Planting tobacco in lot. Fine showers partly all of a.m. At Musser's replanting sweet corn, p.m. At Grandmother's in eve. At IORM in eve. Rain in eve. Cash: 10 cents. Cloudy all day. Rain a.m. & eve.

Sunday, May 24

At Sunday school. No preaching today on account of Pastor being at classes, a.m. At home p.m. At Emanuel's in eve & at Mt. Zion Church, but had no preaching on account of church not being opened. The anti-Bowmans were locked out. Rain last night. Cloudy all day & light rain a.m.

Monday, May 25

Got tobacco land ready at Musser's a.m. Had Henry's horse 1/2 day planting tobacco, p.m. At home in eve. Cloudy all day.

Tuesday, May 26

At Amos Warfel's all day papering. \$1.50. Cloudy all day. Rain p.m.

Wednesday, May 27

At Amos Warfel's. Finished papering a.m. At Amaziah Buckwalter's papering p.m. 1/2 day: 75 cents. Cash: \$2.00. Cloudy all day.

Thursday, May 28

At A. Buckwalter's papering all day. \$1.50. Cloudy. Rain in eve.

Friday, May 29

At A. Buckwalter's a.m. 1/2 day: 75 cents. Rec'd payment. Bought 1 load of wood of him & paid for same. Planting tobacco p.m. Cash: \$1.75. Cloudy all day. Rain in eve.

Saturday, May 30

Planting tobacco & brought casket & fluid from Safe Harbor of Winer & Co., a.m. At sale of personal property of Dr. P. S. Clinger, p.m. At IORM in eve. Partly cloudy all day.

Sunday, May 31

Went down to visit Mother & Eberley. Found them all well. Returned home at 8:30 o'clock, p.m. Children day services at Marticville M. E. Church this eve. Partly clear all day & warm.

Monday, June 1

Made sweet potato rows a.m. Planted 520 sprouts & planted tobacco, p.m. Clear & warm.

Tuesday, June 2

Hoe-harrowing potatoes, a.m. Hoeharrowing corn & planted tobacco p.m. Clear & very warm.

Wednesday, June 3

Pulling tobacco plants & hoe-harrowing Corn a.m. Finished corn & planting tobacco p.m. Partly Clear & very warm. Gust in eve. Light rain.

Thursday, June 4

Replanting tobacco, etc., a.m. Planting & put blinds in barn that I bought at Dr. Clinger's Sale, p.m. Partly cloudy all day. Rain in eve. Very warm.

Friday, June 5

Finished planting tobacco at Musser's, etc., a.m. Made window frame & put it in barn & hoed tobacco p.m. Took cradle to — Peaco in eve. Emanuel had horse today. Cash: \$2.00. Cloudy all day. Light rain a.m.

Saturday, June 6

Hoeing tobacco, etc., a.m. Planting beans, etc., at Musser's, p.m. At IORM in eve. Partly cloudy all day. Rain in eve.

Sunday, June 7

At Sunday school & preaching a.m. At home p.m. & Church in eve. Cloudy & rain all day. Clear in eve.

Monday, June 8

Went to Columbus Ressler's to paper a.m. Was called home at noon on account of the death of Mrs. Bechtold, widow of the late John Bechtold. Went out & embalmed the body & working at coffin p.m. At church in eve practicing for Children's Day. Clear & pleasant.

Tuesday, June 9

In shop partly all day making coffins. At League in eve. Clear & warm .

Wednesday, June 10

Attending the funeral of Eva Catherine Bechtold, aged 72 years, 6 months, 11 days. Abrm Hess & Rev. Beichler at Millersville Evangelical Church. Text: Isaiah 3 chapter & 10 verse. Had Miller's horse. Emanuel had my horse all day. Partly cloudy & warm all day.

Thursday, June 11

At Columbus Ressler's all day papering. \$1.50. Emanuel had horse. Cloudy partly all day.

Friday, June 12

At Columbus Ressler's papering. Finished. \$1.50. Got 1 bus corn of Amos McAllister, 75 cents & paid him for 2 bus. Got some time to go. Emanuel had horse. Cash: \$3.75. Partly clear & warm.

Saturday, June 13

Hoeing tobacco in lot a.m. Plowed potatoes at Musser's, p.m. At IORM in eve. A. B. Kohl was initiated. Cash: 10 cents. Clear & very warm.

Sunday, June 14

At Musser's. Took charge of body of Nancy. Died at 7 o'clock a.m. At home, etc., p.m. At M. E. Church in eve at Children's Services. Partly clear & warm.

Monday, June 15

In shop all day making coffin for Nancy Musser. Ther 92. Clear & very warm.

Tuesday, June 16

In shop, etc., a.m. Finished coffin, etc. Heavy thunder & rain & had storm. The heaviest rain for a number of years. Lightning struck a large tree (chestnut) at Musser's. Ther 92. Clear & very warm a.m. Partly cloudy & rainy p.m.

Wednesday, June 17

Attending funeral of Annie Musser, aged 80-2-28. John Harnish, Abrm Henry & Amos Shenk spoke. Text: Rev. 3, chap 19, 20, 21 verses, a.m. Coffin: \$20.00. Went to Benj Hill's at 3 o'clock & commenced papering. 1/4 day, \$3.72. Heavy rain in eve. Ther 98 in shade. Partly clear a.m. Partly cloudy p.m.

Thursday, June 18

At Benj Hill's all day papering. \$1.50. Emanuel had horse. Partly cloudy & damp.

Friday, June 19

At Benj Hill's papering a.m. 75 cents. At home & picked 14 boxes of currents, p.m. At church practicing for Children's Day in eve. Cash: \$1.44. Cloudy all day & rain.

Saturday, June 20

At home & replanting Tobacco, etc., a.m. At Benj Hill's 1/4 day. At church helping to decorate for Children's Day, a.m. About home planting tobacco between house & shop, p.m. At church in eve, practicing & finished decorating. Rec'd of Benj Hill 30 cents cash. Cloudy all day & light rain.

Sunday, June 21

At Sunday school & preaching. Very heavy rain this morning causing a small turnout at school & church. Rev. Noacher had intended preaching on an aversion sermon, but put it off till this eve in connection with Children's Day Services in eve. Fair audience considering the weather. Rain in eve. Cloudy all day.

Monday, June 22

At Lancaster partly all day. Christ Steman's child died. Were here for me, but was not home. Finished papering at Benj Hill's. Was to see Ellie. She is getting better. Emanuel had horse. Cash: 30 cents. Partly clear & very warm.

Tuesday, June 23

Hoeing tobacco all day. Elvira (Warfel) Haverstick died this p.m. Emanuel had horse. Cash: 10 cents. Partly clear & very warm.

Wednesday, June 24

Shovel harrowing corn all day & scraping same. Cash: 7 cents. Partly cloudy & warm.

Thursday, June 25

Finished corn & shovel harrowed potatoes & tobacco, a.m. Hoeing corn p.m. Not feeling well this p.m. Clear & very warm all day.

Friday, June 26

Hoeing corn partly all day (finished). Working in lot in eve. Emanuel had horse. Clear & very warm. Gust in eve.

Saturday, June 27

Working on lot all day. Wife & family down at Wm Caldwell's. Got word to come to Rawlinsville to take charge of the body of John Markley this eve. Partly clear and stormy.

Sunday, June 28

At Sunday school a.m. At home & over to Grandmother's & Miller's p.m. At home in eve. Did not get home from Rawlinsville till 3; o'clock this a.m. The night was very cool. Could have worn an overcoat very easily. Clear & pleasant.

Monday, June 29

In shop getting casket ready for Mrs. Markley, a.m. Took rough box down to the Presbyterian church at Mt. Nebo, p.m. At home in eve. Sold 18 lb. poultry at 16 cents per pound. Cash: \$3.03. Partly cloudy & pleasant.

Tuesday, June 30

At Rawlinsville attending funeral of John Markley, aged 74 years & 27 days. Rev. Thompson Presby & Rev. W. H. Asprell. M. E. Text: Philippians 1.21. Buried at Mt Nebo Presbyterian Church. Clear & warm.

Wednesday, July 1

Hoeing tobacco partly all day. Had Wayne Witmer helping. Paid him 40 cents for today. Jacob Henry cut his grass today. Partly cloudy. Light showers.

Thursday, July 2

In shop & getting farm ready for hay. B. F. Markley there & paid by check for his father's coffin, etc., \$50.00. Raining partly all day. Cash: \$50.75. Cloudy & rainy.

Friday, July 3

At home topping tobacco in lot, etc., a.m. Finished hoeing tobacco 1st time. At Musser's p.m. Very heavy gust. Rain & hail in eve. Cloudy partly all day.

Saturday, July 4

In lot & turning hay a.m. Gathering & hauled one load in, p.m. At IORM in eve. The dispute between J. B. Urban & myself was settled in the Tribe. He admitting that he blamed me wrong. Emanuel had horse. Partly clear & pleasant.

Sunday, July 5 At Sunday school & preaching a.m. To see

Mrs. O. F. Bruner. Had Ella Lefever of Philadelphia along, p.m. At church in eve. Partly clear. Light showers p.m.

Monday, July 6

Hauled in balance of hay. 3 loads, a.m. At Musser's harrowing potatoes, tobacco, etc., p.m. Rented J. Bitts the shop where John Wade lives. Clear & warm.

Tuesday, July 7

At P. M. Bruner's all day removing old paper from room: \$1.50. Paid Christ Erline \$7.81 for beef by check. Benj Kneisley had a stroke of apoplexy. Is poorly. Partly cloudy & light rain.

Wednesday, July 8

At P. M. Bruner's all day papering & tending store, he being at Lancaster. \$1.50. Cloudy & rainy all day.

Thursday, July 9

At P. M. Bruner's a.m. \$7.54. Hoeing tobacco p.m. Emanuel had horse. Partly cloudy all day & cool.

Friday, July 10

At P. M. Bruner's painting a.m. 75 cents. Hoeing tobacco, etc., p.m. Partly clear all day.

Saturday, July 11

At Musser's hoeing sweet potatoes partly all day. W. F. Bruner & family came on a visit from Philadelphia. At IORM In eve. Partly clear all day.

Sunday, July 12

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. At home p.m. & eve. Clear & warm all day.

Monday, July 13

At P. M. Bruner's 3/4 day painting \$1.12. Got stove pipe from Emanuel: 90 cents. W. F.

Bruner went to Philadelphia this morning. Partly clear & warm.

Tuesday, July 14

At P. M. Bruner's 1/4 day: 38 cents. 1 pint varnish: 25 cents. Total: 63 cents, a.m. In lot hoeing tobacco, etc. Light rain in eve. Partly clear & very warm.

Wednesday, July 15

At P. M. Bruner's partly all day. Finished papering. \$1.50. 1/2 pint varnish: \$1.30. Partly cloudy. Rain shower p.m.

Thursday, July 16

Working in tobacco all day. P. M. Bruner, 1 pint varnish: 25 cents. Emanuel had horse. Partly clear & warm.

Friday, July 17

Working in tobacco partly all day. Paid Jacob Bitts (Jr) 75 cents to date. Emanuel had horse. Took peaches over to Uncle Christ Miller's to send to market. Partly clear & warm.

Saturday, July 18

About home partly all day. At IORM in eve. Rain partly all day. Heavy rain in eve. Partly cloudy all day.

Sunday, July 19

At Sunday school & prayer meeting, a.m. At home p.m. Mrs. W. F. Bruner here in eve. Harry Martin & wife here. Partly clear & warm.

Monday, July 20

In tobacco, etc., a.m. and sold showcase to Dr. Witmer, \$5.00 & delivered it. Brought straw in from Musser's, etc., p.m. Cut my first tobacco planted 65 days ago. Partly clear a.m. Cloudy & rain p.m.

Tuesday, July 21

Topping tobacco, etc., a.m. Working on lot &

at Musser's p.m. Emanuel had horse. Cash: 35 cents. Clear & very warm.

Wednesday, July 22

In shop a.m. Wife & children, Mrs. W. F. Bruner & Mrs. Martin went down to Wm Caldwell's. In shop & lot p.m. Cash: 27 cents. Partly cloudy all day.

Thursday, July 23

In tobacco & cradled oats at Musser's today. Rain in eve (heavy). Partly cloudy & warm all day.

Friday, July 24

About home all day. Raining last night heavy. Cloudy partly all day. Heavy gust in eve. Partly cloudy all day.

Saturday, July 25

Topping tobacco at Musser's & lot a.m. Cutting tobacco, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve. Rain p.m. Partly cloudy all day.

Sunday, July 26

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. At home p.m. At Musser's with family in eve. Abner Miller of Millersville died yesterday. Partly clear all day & cool.

Monday, July 27

In tobacco & binding oats at Musser's a.m. Binding oats & hauled same to Jacob Henry to have thrashed. 17 dozen sheaves. Partly clear & pleasant.

Tuesday, July 28

Working in tobacco all day. Emanuel had horse. Partly clear & warm.

Wednesday, July 29

At Musser's in tobacco partly all day. At Yentzer's in eve making arrangements for the festival. Heavy thunderstorm & rain last night. Emanuel had horse. Partly cloudy all day.

Thursday, July 30

About home all day. Jos Bechtold here. Paid for his mother's coffin: \$24.00. Mrs. W. F. B. here. Emanuel had horse. Cash: \$24.00. Cloudy & 2 heavy thunderstorms.

Friday, July, 31

Thrashing at Jacob Henry's a.m. Had my oats, 17 dozen, thrashed & got 20 bus. Bought Musser's share and took their 1/2 of the straw up to P. M. Bruner, p.m. Paid 40 cents to have it thrashed by Mart Eshleman. Men were working with their coats on, a.m. Clear & cool all day.

Saturday, August 1

Helping to get the Ware House ready for the festival a.m. At the festival p.m. & eve. Receipts: 6. Partly cloudy all day. Rain p.m.

Sunday, August 2

At Sunday school & preaching a.m. At home p.m. At preaching in eve. Cloudy all day.

Monday, August 3

In Lancaster all day. Got bills printed for the sale of the real & personal property of Martin & Christ Musser. Went in with Jacob Kreider, the first mail that left here since the route was changed. He carries it from here to Lancaster. Light rain. Cloudy partly all day.

Tuesday, August 4

At Musser's tobacco, etc., a.m. Cut off some tobacco at home p.m. Polly Sourbeer here partly all day. Will stay overnight. Partly cloudy all day.

Wednesday, August 5

Topping tobacco at Musser's & Home a.m. At Musser's & home p.m. Put up some of the

sales bills of Musser's this Eve etc. Cloudy all day.

Thursday, August 6

Cutting tobacco partly all day on the lot. Partly clear all day.

Friday, August 7

Working in tobacco all day at home & at Musser's. Sent check to G. W. Reynolds, general agent for N. W. M. L. Insurance Co.: \$30.84. Mame Hiller got paint: 25 cents. Partly clear & very warm p.m.

Saturday, August 8

Taking out potatoes, etc. At IORM in eve. Philip Cling was adopted into the Tribe. Mussers got 1 pt. varnish: 25 cents. Emanuel had horse. Partly clear & warm.

Sunday, August 9

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. At Grandmother's & Uncle C. B. Miller's, p.m. At home in eve. Partly clear & very warm.

Monday, August 10

Finished cutting tobacco at home except front, a.m. Hanging up same & carrying lumber from J. F. Caldwell's barn. Took out potatoes, p.m. I think this was one of the warmest days of the summer. Clear & very warm.

Tuesday, August 11

Cutting tobacco at Musser's, a.m. Hanging up same, etc., p.m. Republican League met to elect delegates for the Convention of Leagues at Scranton. Delegates: I. M. Witmer, A Zercher & H. W. Hess. Alternates: W. C. Henry, E. H. Zercher & John Wade. Very warm & clear a.m. Rain p.m. Heavy gust in eve.

Wednesday, August 12

At Musser's getting ready for sale a.m.

Suckering tobacco, etc., p.m. Heavy rain, also hale & storm at New Danville, Willow Street, etc. Destroyed corn & tobacco. Also blew roof off of David Landis house & blew over a tobacco shed for Jacob Charles. Partly cloudy all day.

Thursday, August 13

Finished cutting Havana tobacco at Musser's, a.m. Hanging up same & taking out potatoes p.m. M. E. Sunday school went to Fern Park, Rock Hill to spend the day. Partly clear. Much cooler.

Friday, August 14

Moving Martin Musser's goods (Chests, carpet, etc.) out to Moro's Benedict's, a.m. Helped Emanuel to spout my barn, p.m. Cost \$6.78 & down at Musser's in eve helping to get ready for sale & loaded Christ's things (bed, etc.). Danl Rantz took them up to his place. Partly clear all day.

Saturday, August 15

At Musser's getting ready for sale, a.m. At sale of Musser's, p.m. Had good sale of personal property, but property was not sold. Was withdrawn at \$12.00. At annual supper of IORM in eve. Large number of people eating with us. Mussers left their home this eve after being there all their life. Partly cloudy all day.

Sunday, August 16

At Sunday school & preaching a.m. At home p.m. At preaching in eve. Partly clear & pleasant.

Monday, August 17

At Lancaster a.m. At home & bought the Musser property for \$12.25 including hay, straw, corn fodder & corn to the amount of \$23.00 & articled for same. Partly clear.

Tuesday, August 18 Down on place etc., a.m. At Uncle C. B. Miller's. Got 1 bus. peaches: \$1.00. Partly cloudy & rain a.m.

Wednesday, August 19

Down on place all day taking out potatoes, etc., a.m. Cutting tobacco p.m. Partly clear & warm.

Thursday, August 20

Working at tobacco all day. Cut that which I had planted between house & old shop. Matured in 61 days. Got word this eve of the death of cousin Sue Charles. Funeral on Saturday. 9 at House & 12 at O. M. Church, Millersville. Partly cloudy & warm.

Friday, August 21

At tobacco all day & getting barn ready to hang same. Partly cloudy. Rain p.m.

Saturday, August 22

In tobacco a.m. At funeral of cousin Sue M. Charles, aged 37 years, 7 months & 9 days. Buried at Millersville O. M. Church. Rev. Ben Hartsen & John Brubaker preached from Job 14-14. Bro Emanuel was along over, p.m. At IORM in eve. Paid Barb Good for making Shroud \$1.50 to date. Partly clear & warm.

Sunday, August 23

At Sunday school. Decided to give the school a dinner on next Saturday at the church, a.m. At home, etc., p.m. & eve. Light rain in morning. Partly clear & warm.

Monday, August 24

At Lancaster. Sold my horse to E. H. K. For \$60. Deliver tomorrow. Bought corn of Jacob McAllister for \$30.00. Paid \$10.00 on same to be delivered tomorrow. Partly cloudy. Heavy rain p.m.

Tuesday, August 25

Taking out potatoes partly all day with hook. Got my cow this morning. Cloudy all day.

Wednesday, August 26

Down on place fixing fence, cleaning potato patch & cutting tobacco all day. In eve went to Wm Aument's to take charge of father-inlaw who died there. Funeral on Saturday, 10 o'clock a.m. at house. Burying at Longenecker's Meeting House near Strasburg. Embalmed the body. Partly cloudy all day. Rain.

Thursday, August 27

At Aument's looking after corpse & in shop making coffin all day. F. Caldwell & Wm Smith finished cutting tobacco for me this p.m. Partly cloudy & very warm.

Friday, August 28

In shop partly all day. Got Frank L. Foutz to take rough box down to Longenecker's Church & hauled in some tobacco. Partly clear & cooler. Warm.

Saturday, August 29

Attending funeral of Henry Kurtz. Buried al Longenecker's N. M. Church. Aged 77-1-10. Rev. Abrm Hess preached from Amos 4 c & 12 v. Had Frank L. Foutz's horse. Charged \$1.78 for today & yesterday. I finished coffin & Shroud. Body kept splendid. Ther down to 53. Quite a change in temp. Cloudy all day. Light rain & cool.

Sunday, August 30

At Sunday school & preaching a.m. At home p.m. At church in eve. Did not have our treat for the school yesterday & decided to have it in two weeks from yesterday over at Fern Park. Got new hymnals for church. Used them for the first today. Rain in eve. Cloudy & cool. Damp all day.

Monday, August 31

Uncle C. B. Miller here hauling out manure a.m. Plowing for me (Jacob) in p.m. One team. Martin Groff fetched calf this morning. Weighed 116 lbs. at 4 1/4 = \$5.22. Cloudy all day & warm.

Tuesday, September 1

Down on place all day. Digging out trees, etc. Millers were plowing partly all day. Heavy rain about 6 p.m. Partly cloudy.

Wednesday, September 2

Down on place. Millers finished plowing about 4 o'clock. Partly cloudy & warm.

Thursday, September 3

Taking out potatoes a.m. Making fence, etc., p.m. Partly cloudy & warm.

Friday, September 4

Painting at East End school house all day. Painting woodwork inside & outside. Heavy rain this morning. 1 day painting: \$1.75 & board myself. Cloudy all day.

Saturday, September 5

Painting at East End school all day: \$1.75. At IORM in eve. Heavy rain this morning. Cloudy partly all day.

Sunday, September 6

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. At home p.m. Emanuel's girls here. Rained last night. Partly cloudy all day.

Monday, September 7

Painting out at East End school house all day: \$1.75. Wife & family went to Lancaster to see the Labor Day parade. Partly clear & stormy.

Tuesday, September 8

Painting at East End school house all day: \$1.35. Cloudy partly all day. Rain a.m.

Wednesday, September 9

Painting at East End school house a.m. At home & down mowing weeds, etc., p.m.

Frost this along the Conestoga Creek. Clear & cool. Ther: 57.

Thursday, September 10

In shop & cleaned off potato patch a.m. Taking out potatoes p.m. Clear & cool.

Friday, September 11

At East End school house putting new bell on, a.m. Finished taking out potatoes & over at Uncle C. B. Miller's p.m. Filed saw for Maris Groff. Partly clear.

Saturday, September 12

Went to Fern Park. Took Sunday school over. Had a very nice time there. We're about 200 persons attended. At IORM in eve. Clear & very pleasant.

Sunday, September 13

At Sunday school & preaching a.m. Went to Jos M. Witmer's for dinner & spent part of the afternoon. At preaching in eve. Clear a.m. Partly clear.

Monday, September 14

In shop, etc., all day. The public schools opened today with a very good attendance. At IORM in eve attending a committee meeting on anniversary. Was appointed secretary of same. Partly clear & cool.

Tuesday, September 15

In shop, etc., a.m. Frank Foutz cut second crop for me down on place, p.m. Filed saw for Dr. Witmer, paid & one for Isaac McLaughlin, 20 cents. Partly clear & pleasant.

Wednesday, September 16

In shop, etc., a.m. Down on place making fence & picking out potatoes, etc., p.m. Clear & warm.

Thursday, September 17 Turning hay, etc., a.m. Hauling in hay. Had John Benedict to take it in for me, p.m. Isaac McLaughlin had a light attack of vertigo out at Boehm's centennial this p.m. Clear & very warm.

Friday, September 18

In shop, etc., a.m. Down on my place mowing hay, etc., p.m. Went down to Boehm's centennial in eve. Rev. McCulla, Editor of the Philadelphia Methodist preached from Psalm 17 & 15. Clear & warm all day.

Saturday, September 19

At home all day in shop. At IORM in eve.

Wife & children went to Wm Caldwell's this morning to spend the day. Got \$450 on balance on banner from Tribe. Clear. Partly pleasant

Sunday, September 20

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. At home & to see Isaac McLaughlin p.m. At home in eve. Mr. John H. Landis stopped to see me a short time. Clear & warm.

Monday, September 21

At home & in shop all day. Paid Clarence Brooks & Co. varnish bill to date: \$6.25. Clear & warm.

Tuesday, September 22

Harry Hess & I went to Scranton to attend the Republican Senate League Convention. Left Lancaster at 9:45 a.m. Arrived at Harrisburg at 11:15. Went to Capital in Senate & Rep Hall. Hess had never been there & Lochiel Hotel. Left at 12:15 p.m. Arrived at Scranton at 1:30. Left at 5:40. Arrived at Wilkes-Barre at 10 p.m. Met by band & escort Committee & taken to Wyoming House. We stopped at White Hotel on Franklin Ave. Clear & warm.

Wednesday, September 23

Attended convention. Hon John B. Robinson was elected President. The other candidates

being Dalzel of Pittsburgh & Warren of Lackawanna. The national delegates from 10th District: John H. High, D. C. Whitmer. A. J. Zercher & James A. Allison to meet at Washington, D.C. Thousands of people in town & a beautiful place. Did not see one drunk. Enjoyed myself. Weather warm & clear.

Thursday, September 24

Left Scranton for Lancaster at 7:55 a.m. Arrived at Wilkes-Barre at 8:45. Left at 11:23. Arrived at Sunbury at 1:45 p.m. Left at 2:08. Arrived at Harrisburg at 3:35. Left at 4:07 by special train. Arrived at Lancaster at 5:03 and did not make any stops. Time from Harrisburg: 1:56. Took electric car 18 to Millersville & walked home. Arrived at 8 p.m. Very much pleased with the trip. Clear & warm.

Friday, September 25

In shop, etc., all day. Jacob Harnish's house burned down last eve about 4:30. Nearly all things they had including clothes, furniture, provisions, \$30 in money & the building burned to the ground by preserves cooking on the stove in absence of the ladies of the house. Clear & warm.

Saturday, September 26

In shop, etc., partly all day. At church in eve attending stereoptician lecture by Bro Takeo Konya, a Theologian student of F&M College, Lancaster on scenery of Japan, which was grand. Receipts, \$11.50, 1/2 of which went to the Missionary Society. Clear & warm.

Sunday, September 27

At Sunday school & preaching a.m. At home p.m. Got word that Owen's wife, (Ella), is poorly. Went down to see her in eve. She is very bad. The Dr. says she may live a week & perhaps only a day. There is one comfort. She says she is ready to die. There is certainly a great change in her. Clear & warm.

Monday, September 28 In shop, etc., partly all day. Clear & warm.

Tuesday, September 29

Got word this morning that 1 o'clock that Ella Bruner died at 11 p.m. Went down & put body in ice. She looks very natural. She died very easy. She ate a piece of peach about 2 minutes before she died. At Harbor bringing casket from Station that I ordered about 2 months before she died. In shop lining casket, etc., p.m. At League in eve. Got order for rest: \$4.50. Cloudy. Light rain.

Wednesday, September 30

In shop getting casket ready for Ella. Black cloth covered casket. 6 handles plat (at rest) & lined with cream colored merino inside. Jacob & Will came home this eve to attend funeral tomorrow. Clear & cool.

Thursday, October 1

At funeral of Ella L. Bruner. Aged 24-6-1. Bros Gerhart & Noacher preached. Text: James 4 x 14. Very large funeral. She looked very nice. Just as though she was smiling. I got Saul Hackman to take charge of the funeral for me. Partly clear & cool. Frost.

Friday, October 2

At home all day cleaning out cistern & cementing & put new lid on same. Partly cloudy all day.

Saturday, October 3

Taking out sweet potatoes, etc. At IORM in eve. Installation of officers. Sachs: H. W. Hess. Senior Sag: F. L. Foutz. Junior Sag: M. M. Bortzfield. Family went down to Wm Caldwell's. Owen F Bruner came here to stay all night. Clear & very warm.

Sunday, October 4

At Sunday school. The following officers were elected. Supt.: A. J. Zercher. Asst. Supt.: Henry Martin. Secretary: Jane Carrigan. Treasurer: P. M. Bruner. Organist: Annie Urban, a.m. At home p.m. Family came home this eve. Clear & warm.

Monday, October 5

Took off broom corn, etc., a.m. Finished taking out sweet potatoes. Got word of the death of G. W. Shank's Child, p.m. C. B. Miller making land ready for seeding. Partly clear & warm.

Tuesday, October 6

In shop making coffin for Shank child a.m. Buried it this afternoon at M. E. Church. Held no funeral. Miller's here all day getting ready for seeding. Partly cloudy & cool.

Wednesday, October 7

At Benj G. Markley seeing about rye & wheat foe seeding, etc., a.m. In shop, etc., p.m. This is the first rain for quite a while. It is very dry. Cloudy, very damp & rainy.

Thursday, October 8

Bought 2 bus Rye & 4 bus wheat of Benj G. Markley & began cutting corn a.m. Cutting corn & did my seeding. Sowed 2 bus Rye & 4 bus wheat down on place, p.m. Will Miller here in Eve about painting at Graded School. Partly clear & cool.

Friday, October 9 Cutting corn all day. Clear & warm.

Saturday, October 10

Finished cutting corn a.m. Down on place & about home p.m. At IORM in eve. Partly cloudy all day.

Sunday, October 11 At Sunday school. Settled the accounts between secretary & Treasurer. The treasurer had a balance on hand of \$5.09, a.m. Took dinner at Pap Bruner's with family. Spent part of the afternoon there. At church in eve. Bro Noacher was not here this a.m. on account of funeral at Maytown. Partly cloudy & stormy. Cool all day.

Monday, October 12

At Lancaster with F. L. Foutz. Bought 2 steers for \$35.62, 1 bull for \$17.25. Total \$52.87. Sent check to A. G. Guile's for rent to January 1st, 1892: \$16.25. Got Jacob Harnish house to paint @ \$1.65 per day & 1 meal per day. Cloudy & cold. Ther down to 34. Snowed a little today.

Tuesday, October 13

At Jacob Kreider's fixing bedstead, etc., a.m. Down on place fixing stables, etc., p.m. At League & Committee meeting in eve. Cloudy & cool & damp all day.

Wednesday, October 14

Down on place making stalls for cattle, etc., a.m. At Jacob Harnish's priming windows & frames for new house, p.m. At J. R. Yentzer's in eve practicing singing. Large fire over in Manor this eve. Cannot tell where about, but is very large. Could almost see to read. Partly cloudy.

Thursday, October 15

Down on place lining stalls, etc., a.m. Scutched chestnut trees. Got 25 quarts of chestnuts for our share, p.m. The fire last night was Haldy Herr's barn & contents, tobacco shed & contents & wheat stacks. Loss about \$14,500. Clear & cool & stormy.

Friday, October 16

Husking Corn, etc., a.m. Husking Corn, hauling home potatoes & took 10 bus. of corn on ear to Daniel G. Rankin for

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Musser's. Jos Kreider done the hauling. Clear & cool.

Saturday, October 17

Husking Corn, etc., a.m. Painted water closet at Graded School house & in shop p.m. At IORM In eve. Commenced feeding corn to steers. Clear & cool. Frost.

Sunday, October 18

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. Over to see Grandmother & Millers. Grandmother told me that I was to have the rattan rocker back after her death that I presented her with some years ago. At home in eve. Very heavy frost. Partly cloudy all day.

Monday, October 19

Making trough & rack for cow. Cleaning hen house, etc., a.m. Painting water closet at Graded School, p.m. There is more rain fell this eve than for about 9 weeks. Partly cloudy all day.

Tuesday, October 20

In shop, etc., partly all day. Cloudy & rain in eve.

Wednesday, October 21

In shop. Got check of Owen for Ella's casket: \$47.00 & husking Corn a.m. Husking corn, etc., p.m. Partly cloudy all day.

Thursday, October 22

In shop, etc., partly all day. Raining partly all day. At IORM in eve completing arrangements for the parade & supper tomorrow. Cloudy & rain.

Friday, October 23

Hauled in 25 bus. corn & delivered it to Danl G. Rankin & got ready for parade a.m. Attended parade p.m. The largest ever held in this town, it being the 25th anniversary of our Tribe. There were about 200 members of the order in line. Viz: Red Jackets, Canasatego Metamora, Chiquacalonga, Y.M.D.S. Band of Lancaster, Silver Spring Band & Gen. Reynold of this place. Clear & stormy.

Saturday, October 24

Husking corn a.m. & part of p.m. & hauled in for self: 17 bus on ears. Cleaned stables, etc. At IORM in eve. 25th anniversary cost the Tribe about \$80.00 for supper, etc. Paid Benj G. Markley \$5.50 for wheat & rye (for seeding). Partly clear & stormy.

Sunday, October 25

At Sunday school & preaching a.m. At home. Benj Caldwell & Mary Byrnes & Rev. Mr. Noacher here p.m. At preaching in eve. Mr. Noacher began a course of lectures this eve. Clear & cold. (first ice). Heavy frost this morning. Ther down to freezing.

Monday, October 26

At Lancaster. Paid for cow. Balance: \$20.00 a.m. At Jacob Harnish's painting frames p.m. Had thunder gusts p.m. & eve. Not much rain here. Partly clear & warm.

Tuesday, October 27

Husking corn. Charles Wade helping a.m. At Harry Martin's. Began to paint his house, p.m. 1/2/ day: 75 cents. At League in eve. Partly cloudy & blustery and cold.

Wednesday, October 28

Cleaning church, etc., a.m. & p.m. Clear & stormy. Cold all day.

Thursday, October 29 Painting all day at Harry Martin's: \$1.50. Clear & cold. Ther 31 degrees.

Friday, October 30 At Martin's all day painting: \$1.50. Clear & warm.

Saturday, October 31

At the church helping to take out trees & grade in front of cemetery, a.m. Hauled in balance of corn, cleaned stables, etc., p.m. Paid Charlie Wade \$1.00 on husking corn. Balance due: 50 cents. At IORM in eve. Clear & warm.

Sunday, November 1

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. At home p.m. & eve. Partly clear, cold & stormy.

Monday, November 2

Helping to grade at the church all day. Clear & cold.

Tuesday, November 3

At the poles (election) all day. Went to Lancaster in eve to hear the returns coming in. It looks as though Livingston would be reelected Judge. Votes poled: 365. Livingston: 168. Brubaker: 156. North: 29. Black: 10. Partly cloudy & cold all day.

Wednesday, November 4

At Harry Martin's painting all day: \$1.50. Heavy frost & ice. Partly clear all day & cold.

Thursday, November 5

At Harry Martin's painting all day: \$1.50. Light snow partly all of the a.m. Rain p.m. & eve. John Brenner, assessor, was taken to the asylum & J. F. Caldwell was appointed in his place. Cloudy & cold.

Friday, November 6

At Harry Martin's painting all day: \$1.50. Clear & cold.

Saturday, November 7

At home cleaning stables, etc., a.m. Went to Willow Street to attend the sale of the personal property of Ella E. Bruner by Owen. Bought small tables, dish pan, etc., p.m. At Preparatory Service in eve. Clear & cool. Heavy frost.

Sunday, November 8

At Sunday school & Holy Communion a.m. At S. B. Good's for dinner & spent the p.m. At church in eve. Rev. Noacher & myself were elected delegates to the county convention of Sunday schools to meet on the 18th in Lancaster just to organize. Clear & cool. Frost.

Monday, November 9

At Harry Martin's painting all day: \$1.50. Clear & pleasant.

Tuesday, November 10

At Harry Martin's painting all day: \$1.50. Partly cloudy all day. Rain in eve.

Wednesday, November 11

Took down some tobacco, a.m. About home p.m. Grandmother, Aunt Lizzie Miller & Sister Ella here partly all day. Ella intends spending a few days with us. Rained partly all of last night & part of a.m. Cloudy partly all day.

Thursday, November 12

At Harry Martin's painting 3/4 day. At home balance of day. Stripping tobacco in eve.

Friday, November 13

At Jacob Harnish's painting all day: \$1.65. Partly cloudy all day.

Saturday, November 14

At Jacob Harnish's. Glazed 27 set of sash till 3:30 p.m. all day: \$1.65. At IORM in eve. Clear & cold.

Sunday, November 15

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. At M. M. Bortzfield's for dinner & spent the afternoon there. John Brenner died this morning at the asylum. There is an eclipse of the moon tonight, but it being cloudy, we are not able to see it. Cloudy & cool all day.

Monday, November 16

In shop partly all day stripping chairs, etc. Fixed bedstead for Grandmother. She is not very well. Cloudy. Light rain all day.

Tuesday, November 17

Went over to see Grandmother this morning. She is not well at all. Went to Mt. Joy to let Uncle Jacob know about her. Found them all well. They are coming down to see her today. Raining partly all day. Great change. Clear & cold in eve.

Wednesday, November 18

At Lancaster attending the organization of a county Sunday school convention. Grandmother seems to be getting better. Was over to see her. Clear & cold. Coldest day. Down to 20 degrees.

Thursday, November 19

In shop varnishing chairs, etc., a.m. Clerking Sale of real estate & personal property of Martin & Elizabeth Good, deceased. Benj Good, adm. Got \$2.00 for same. Home property brought \$2,500. Wood lot: \$152 for 3 1/2 acres. At home in eve. Clear & cold.

Friday, November 20

In shop varnishing chairs, etc., a.m. Stripping tobacco, cleaning stables, etc., p.m. Tying up tobacco in eve, Charles & I. Blanche was with her mama reading & singing. Benj F. Snavely took Mary Bruner to Willow Street to fetch chandelier & broke the shade. Clear & pleasant.

Saturday, November 21 At Jacob Harnish's painting all day: \$1.65. At Missionary meeting in eve. Partly cloudy

Sunday, November 22 Wife & children went to Caldwell's to stay the night. At Sunday school teaching a.m. Decided to hold a Christmas service on Christmas Eve. Went over to see Grandmother. She is getting better slowly, p.m. At church in eve (preaching), after which the pastor asked the officers & teachers of the S.S. to remain, when to reconsider action taken this morning & decided not to have any service on Mon. Cloudy all day.

Monday, November 23

Stripping tobacco partly all day. Stormy. Upset Dr. I. M. Witmer's hen house this p.m. Wife came home this eve. Cloudy & rain all day. Eve clear.

Tuesday, November 24

At Harry Martin's painting all day: \$1.50. Mrs. John Aston died today. Paid Charles Wade 50 cents balance for husking corn. Partly clear & cold in eve.

Wednesday, November 25

At Harry Martin's painting all day: \$1.50. Bruner's butchered. Took dinner there. Wife helped at Yentzer's in eve. Cloudy & cold.

Thursday, November 26 At Harry Martin's all day painting: \$1.50. Mrs. Aston was buried. Cloudy all day. Rain in eve.

Friday, November 27

At Harry Martin's painting all day: \$1.50. Partly cloudy & cold.

Saturday, November 28

Painting at Harry Martin's all day: \$1.80. At IORM in eve. Cloudy all day. Rain in eve. Colder.

Sunday, November 29

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. At Grandmother Zercher's, Wife & I, p.m. Cloudy & cold all day.

Monday, November 30

Working about home cleaning & repairing hen house, trimming grape vines, etc., etc. Clear & cold. The coldest day. Ther down to 15 degrees.

Tuesday, December 1

About home a.m. At Harry Martin's fixing door, etc., & at home p.m. Rev. J. P. More & wife in town today. Had the pleasure of meeting them. They look very well. Clear & cool.

Wednesday, December 2

Scraping room & glue sizing a.m. Jos Kreider hauled in corn fodder for me p.m. Partly clear & pleasant.

Thursday, December 3

Papering at home a.m. Papering at home & at Harry Martin's pantry p.m. Paid Isaac Tshudy for merchandise: 30. for Sim Tshudy. Clear & pleasant.

Friday, December 4

At home all day. Finished papering room & took down tobacco, etc. Obed Warfel died p.m. Cloudy all day. Heavy rain & stormy p.m.

Saturday, December 5

Finished at Harry Martin's & got paid for same: \$20.13, a.m. Cleaned stables, etc., p.m. Went out to see Philip Fralich in eve. He is very poorly with pneumonia & probably lock jaw caused by hammering a nail through a board into his knee. At IORM in eve. Paid fire tax: \$1.90. Clear & cool.

Sunday, December 6

Got word of the death of Catherine Buckwalter & took charge of body. Worked at coffin part of p.m. Got word of the death Philip Fralich & took charge of body. He died of lock jaw. 1st funeral Tuesday at River Corner at 10 a.m. 2nd on Wednesday at Reformed at 10 a.m. At church in eve. Rev. Mr. Runkle preached. Partly clear & pleasant.

Monday, December 7

In shop & working at coffins of Catherine Buckwalter & Philip Fralich. Heavy rain at about 6 a.m. Cloudy. Rain a.m.

Tuesday, December 8

Attended funeral of Catherine Buckwalter, aged 70-11-15. Revs Benj Hertzler & Abrm Herr preached. Text: 1 Thes 3-13. Large funeral, a.m. Working in shop at P. Fralich's coffin, p.m. Coffin: \$30.00. Clear & pleasant.

Wednesday, December 9

Attended funeral of Philip Fralich, aged 37-7-10. Rev M. M. Noacher preached from Prov 27-1. Very large funeral. The IORM attended in a body. 45 members present. Jacob Herr paid his widow \$40.00 for Tribe. Charged \$25.00 for coffin, Shroud. Clear & cool.

Thursday, December 10

About home a.m. About home & at Mrs. Philip Fralich's. She wants me to settle up her husband's accounts. She also paid me for coffin, Shroud, etc., \$25.00. Paid M. M. Bortzfield \$4.48 on account of handles & cloth. Clear & very pleasant.

Friday, December 11

About home stripping tobacco, etc. Paid Mrs. Clinger for making Philip Fralich's Shroud: \$2.60. Paid P. M. Bruner \$2.50 for Merina at Hager Bros., Lancaster. Partly clear all day.

Saturday, December 12

In shop, etc., a.m. Cleaning stables, etc., p.m. Amos Warfel paid me for Catherine Buckwalter's coffin: \$25.00. Partly clear & pleasant.

Sunday, December 13

At Sunday school. I presented Lena Martin, Ida Good & Charles Smith with a Reformed hymnal each for not missing any days at Sunday school for one year. The officers, teachers & older scholars went over to Anna B Urban's & presented her with one by the school & congregation, a.m. At Grandmother's, p.m. At M. E. Church in eve. Clear & pleasant.

Monday, December 14

At Lancaster. Bought suit for self: \$12.00. Susp. .25, tie, 25 cents & suit. Overcoat for Charles: \$5.50. Total, \$18.00. Bought diary for 92 cents. Paid 45 cents for same. Went to see Mary Fralich in regard to settling up. I am to send for papers for her. Partly clear & cool.

Tuesday, December 15

Stripping tobacco & fixing up cellar for same. Partly cloudy all day. Light rain.

Wednesday, December 16

Took down tobacco & hung in cellar. Sorted tobacco, etc., all day. Partly cloudy. Stormy & rough all day.

Thursday, December 17

In shop partly all day. Mrs. Christ Omer was buried at the Reformed Church today. Set 2 hens today. The first. Partly cloudy & cold. A little snow

Friday, December 18

In shop partly all day. Got lumber from N & L, Millersville Road. Paid him \$1.00 for it. Clear & cold.

Saturday, December 19

In shop & hung storm door for Catherine Witmer. Paid for making & hanging same, \$2.00, a.m. Cleaning broom corn, stables, etc. Mrs. Michael Kreider paid for repairing furniture: \$4.00. Paid Ed Diffenbach \$6.00 for freight on casket & hauling same from station in full to date. At Missionary in eve. The following officers were elected: Pres.: H. Martin. Vice Pres.: Rev. Noacher. Secy: Bessie Martin. Asst. Secy: Goya Smith. Tres.: A. J. Zercher. Collections: Jane Carrigan, Stella Kreider & Mary Brenner.

Sunday, December 20

At Sunday school & preaching a.m. Went down to Wm Caldwell's, p.m. At church in eve. Partly cloudy all day.

Monday, December 21

Painting at Jacob Harnish's all day. At church in eve helping to decorate the church for Christmas. A very dense fog in eve & light rain. Very damp. Partly clear.

Tuesday, December 22

About home a.m. At sale of Catherine Buckwalter, deceased & clerked the same. Cloudy & cool. Damp all day.

Wednesday, December 23

Taking down tobacco & rented the Musser property. House, 2 gardens, patch below house, fruit if any. No chickens to be left running loose without my concentration, etc., for \$25.00 per year to have possession by 1st of April, 92 to Geo W. Shaub, a.m. Stripping tobacco. Grant Gardner & Lizzie Henry got married today. Paid to Henry to date \$1.00. Cloudy & very damp. Warm.

Thursday, December 24

At Harnish's painting all day: \$1.65. Wife went to Lancaster with Mrs. Bortzfield. Eli Eshleman died this morning. Cloudy & raining partly all day.

Friday, December 25

Christmas at home partly all of a.m. Treated the Sunday school. Gave each 1/4 lb. candy/orange & a beautiful Christmas card for school members. About 95-100. Cloudy & damp. Not cold.

Saturday, December 26

At Harnish's painting, a.m. Taking down tobacco, etc., p.m. At IORM & at the M. E. Church attending Christmas entertainment. Went out to Mary E. Fralich, widow of Philip Fralich, & appraised her for the \$3.00 Law One appraisement to, \$123.90. P. M. B. & E. H. Z. appraisers & A. B. Clerk. Raining partly all day. Clear in Eve.

Sunday, December 27

At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. & eve. Mrs. Christian Eby is very poorly. Cloudy all day.

Monday, December 28

At Lancaster. Took Mary E. Fralich appraisement in & paid for filing, etc.: \$3.50. Got Sale bills printed at New Era & paid \$1.00 for same. Bought pair overalls for self: 50 cents & pair shoes for wife: \$1.40. Partly cloudy.

Tuesday, December 29 Stripping tobacco all day. Cloudy all day. Rain in eve. Wednesday, December 30

Was called to Simon Hershey's to take charge of body of their only child. Died last evening of convulsions. Was sick only a few hours. Funeral on Friday at 9 a.m. & 1 p.m. at Brick Church, Willow Street. Working at coffin all day. Dad Eidermiller here this eve. Clear & stormy all day.

Thursday, December 31

In shop partly all day working at coffin & rough box. Partly clear & cold.

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This closes the year of 1891. It is now 9 o'clock p.m. When we look over the past year, how many of our fellow mortals passed out of time in to eternity & we have great reason to return thanks unto God for his watchfulness over us through another & would ask Him to continue his blessing upon us.