

Diary of Andrew J. Zercher

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Friday, January 1

Attended funeral of Ida Lebertha Hershey: aged 7 years & 4 days. Benjamin Hertzler preached from St Luke 1 & 16 & Abram Herr from 1st Samuel 3 & 18. Buried at Brick Church back of Willow Street. Had Ed Pehlman's horse to attend funeral 4:00. Paid 45 cents for this book. Partly cloudy and cold.

Saturday, January 2

Stripping tobacco a.m. Getting ready for butchering on Monday. p.m. at IORM in eve. Mrs. David Hess died last night. A few flakes of snow this eve. Filed saw for H. H. Bitts (20 cents). Executions were issued against B.S. Kendig & Co. liabilities about \$75. Partly cloudy all day. Sun shone & rain.

Sunday, January 3

At Sunday school & preaching. Text 2nd Corinthians 1-20. a.m. at Home. p.m. & Church in eve. Text, Prov. 24-30, 31 & 32. Benjamin Eshleman died last night. Bro Noacher here after Church. Cloudy partly all day & much colder.

Monday, January 4

Killed beef today. H.H. Bitts was the butcher. 1.25. It dressed 475 lbs. P. M. Bruner got hind quarter, weight 112 lb. at 9 = \$10.00. M. H. Benedict got front quarter: weight 128 lb. at 7 1/2 = 9.60 & we kept the 1/2 for our own use. Weight 235; this leaves me \$4.75 & my half of beef not including feed. This is the deepest snow of the season. Cloudy & cold. About 1/4 snow. Clear in eve.

Tuesday, January 5

Stripping tobacco all day. Mrs. David S. Hess was buried this a.m. Cloudy & cold.

Wednesday, January 6

Stripping tobacco all day. Geo W. Shaub helping, 60 cents. About 6 in of snow fell last night, the deepest for this winter. Rev John Brubaker was the first sleigher that passed this season. He went to funeral of Benj Eshleman. Cloudy partly all day.

Thursday, January 7

At home getting ready for Butchering tomorrow etc. Filed saw for Amos Graver a.m. Clerked sale of Mrs. Mary E. Fralich p.m. Bought 3 shoats at \$4.75 = 14.25. Her sale amounted to \$_. John Smith (Sr) is very low. Partly clear & cold.

Friday, January 8

Butchered today. Got hog from Jacob B. Harnish. Weighed 256 lb. at 5 cents per lb. \$12.80. Harry Bitts was butcher. Charged 75 cents & Geo W. Shaub helped 37 cents. Brought the shoats from Mary E. Fralich & gave five months note for same, the credit of sale. Partly cloudy.

Saturday, January 9

Cleaning up, took sausage up to Pap Brunner to smoke them a.m. Cleaned stables. Sold the smallest of my Shoats to Amos McAllister (Sr.) \$4.70 etc. p.m. At Entertainment in eve. John Smith died last night. Settled with Mary E. Fralich. Did not charge her anything for any of my work. Partly clear & cold.

Sunday, January 10

At Sunday School & prayer meeting a.m. Pap Brunner & Owen here p.m. At home in eve. Cloudy partly all day.

Monday, January 11

At Lancaster all day. At M.E. Church in eve (revival). John Smith buried today. Cloudy, damp & cold.

Tuesday, January 12

Helping to take down greens in Church etc.

a.m. Tying up tobacco etc. p.m. At League in eve. Ex Com appointed by Pres A. J. Beecher, Chairman I. M. Witmer, Wm R. Good, Wm C. Smith, John Wade. Cloudy all day, In eve rain.

Wednesday, January 13

At John Caldwell's all day. Helped to butcher two large Hogs. Rained partly all last night. Cloudy & raining partly all day.

Thursday, January 14

Took down tobacco. Jos Gochenaur helped. Paid him 25 cents for same a.m. Tied up tobacco etc. p.m. & eve got screenings from H. C. McAllister Mill. Snow all gone. Cloudy all day. Raining a.m. & part of p.m. cooler.

Friday, January 15

Working in Tobacco all day. Finished stripping my home crop. Snowing all a.m. 8 in of snow fell. Cloudy all day & cold.

Saturday, January 16

Stripping tobacco all day. At Missionary meeting in eve. Recd \$28.11 dollars from former Treasurer, which was balance on hand. Clear & pleasant.

Sunday, January 17

At Sunday School & preaching. Text Acts 3.19. Amos Fralich & wife & Mary E. Fralich were taken into Church a.m. at home. Jacob Henry & Rev Noacher here p.m. At home in eve. Wife went to Church. Text Matthew 2, Ch 16, 17 & 18 verses. This was the coldest morning of the season. everything looked beautiful. A frost 1/2 in thick covered trees etc. Clear & cold. Therm. down to 6 degrees.

Monday, January 18

Stripping tobacco etc. a.m. Stripping p.m. Harry Bitts & Frank Bitts helped 1/2 day each. Cloudy & light rain all day.

Tuesday, January 19

Stripping tobacco all day. Finished the

Havana a.m. Commenced Seed Leaf. Harry & Frank Bitts helped p.m. Sarah Marron died at Millersville last night. Children went to school again the first time for six (6) weeks on account of Hooping Cough. Cloudy all day & Rain. Commenced snowing at 3 p.m.

Wednesday, January 20

Stripping tobacco all day. Harry & Frank Bitts helped all day. Harry Bitts got 2 bus of coal off me. Clear & cold.

Thursday, January 21

Stripping tobacco all day. Harry & Frank Bitts helped all day. Paid Weiner & Co \$16.75 for Casket & ordered another one. Piling Tobacco in eve. Paid Mart Musser 50 cents. Partly clear & cold.

Friday, January 22

Stripping tobacco all day. Harry & Frank Bitts helped all day. Partly cloudy & cold.

Saturday, January 23

Piling Tobacco. At Snavely's fixing Bureau etc. a.m. About home p.m. at IORM In eve. Sold my steers (2) to M. H. Groff for \$65.00. Partly cloudy & cold all day.

Sunday, January 24

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. Went over to see Grandmother. She is well as usual. p.m. at home in eve. Partly cloudy & cool.

Monday, January 25

Stripping tobacco all day. Harry Bitts 1/2 day. Frank Bitts all day. Ed Diffenbach got 70 ft pine lumber at 3 1/4 = \$2.25. Cash for same \$1.50. Partly clear & pleasant.

Tuesday, January 26

Finished stripping the tobacco that I have down a.m., Frank Bitts helped a.m. In shop cut out lumber for 2 chests. At Republican

League in eve. Wrote my first & read my first Editorial as Editor of the __, the League papers. Partly clear & cold. Very cold in eve.

Wednesday, January 27

Fairs Groff got 1 steer this morning \$32.00 & in shop a.m. In shop etc. Put in a proposal for the collection of State & County Tax at \$2.99, but was not the lowest bidder p.m. Clear & very cold. A cold wave.

Thursday, January 28

At Lancaster all day. Bought chest locks, chest feet, hinges etc. for shop and attended the appeal at the County Commissioners Office. The Musser property is valued at \$1000 for 8 1/4 acres. B. G. Markley's, \$1200 for 24 acres adjoining property & they refused to lower mine. Is this not an outrage? Commissioners Al Worth, Benj Hershey, Rep. _ Bone, Dem. Partly cloudy & cold a.m. Moderate p.m.

Friday, January 29

Working about barns etc. a.m. Cleaned stables down on place etc. p.m. John Warfel (Weaver) died last night. Put in window frame at Graded School. Partly cloudy.

Saturday, January 30

Working in shop all day. At School Board meeting. Paid my School Tax \$2.31 & got them to exonerate Martin & Christian Musser of their School Tax. Rev Noacher here this eve. Will stay till Monday. Cloudy partly all day. Light snow a.m.

Sunday, January 31

At Sunday School & preaching. Text Matt. 8 + 2, 3, 4. a.m. at home p.m. and preaching in eve. Text Matt. 11 + 28, 29, 30. Rev. Noacher with us all day. Partly cloudy all day.

Monday, February 1

In shop partly all day. (Weaver) John Warfel

buried today. Rev Mr. Noacher left for Maytown this morning. Partly cloudy.

Tuesday, February 2

Working in shop partly all day. Groundhog Day today. The sun was out a little, but not between 11 & 1 O'clock so we will see how it holds out. Set hen with eggs of Mrs. Geo. Rathlon. Wife up home today. Filed saw for M. M. Bortzfield, 20 cents (Paid). Partly cloudy all day.

Wednesday, February 3

In shop all day working on chests for Jon J. Good. Recd a letter of Young Republicans Club of Lancaster inviting our League to attend the Celebration of Lincoln's Birthday on the 12th at Lancaster. Partly cloudy & cooler.

Thursday, February 4

Working in shop. Finished making chests. There is an Order Knights of the Mystic Chambering Instituted in this place this eve. A. C. Baldwin was to see me today. He expects to be a Candidate for State Senator. Partly cloudy & cool.

Friday, February 5

In shop etc. a.m. In shop cutting corn fodder etc. p.m. Partly cloudy. Snow last night and part of a.m. (Light).

Saturday, February 6

In shop partly all day. Went over to see Grandmother p.m. At IORM In eve got word by Benj Rommel that Amos Deatrich, a member of our order is sick at Lancaster since the 27th. Partly clear & cold, 2 degrees.

Sunday, February 7

At Sunday School & prayer meeting a.m. At home & went down to Wm Caldwell's in p.m. for wife & children. Not feeling well this p.m. Cloudy & light rain.

Monday, February 8

In house partly all day. Not well at all. Took down balance of tobacco this morning. Paid Harry Bitts \$2.00 on account. Amos Lefever here & paid note of Musser, \$14.00 for Heifer bought at sale. Partly clear & pleasant.

Tuesday, February 9

In the house partly all day. Feeling some better. Expect to go to work in the morning. Partly cloudy.

Wednesday, February 10

At Jacob Harnish's all day Painting: \$1.65. Milton Hart died last night of Consumption. Will be buried on Friday. Partly clear & cool.

Thursday, February 11

At Jacob Harnish's all day painting: \$1.65. The Carpenters finished today (inside). Partly cloudy. Snow a.m. stormy & cold p.m.

Friday, February 12

At Jacob Harnish's all day painting: \$1.65. Partly clear, cold & stormy.

Saturday, February 13

At Jacob Harnish's Painting a.m.: \$2. About home p.m. At Church & IORM in eve. Very stormy a.m. Partly cloudy & cold.

Sunday, February 14

At Sunday School. Rev Mr. Zachariah of Marietta spoke to School & preached from Matt. 7 C 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 verses. a.m. Spent the afternoon at Andrew Goods including family. At Church in eve when Rev. Mr. Zachariah spoke from Acts 28 C 13 & 14 & gave an account of what he's seen at those places which was interesting. Cloudy all day, rain in eve.

Monday, February 15

Stripping tobacco a.m. & part of p.m. Frank

Bitts helped 1/2 day: 25 cents. Wesley Boyd's child buried at Reformed Church. Recd. \$2.04 of P. C. Hiller balance of sale bill after him paying mill bill with peaches. Today I am 35 years old. How time does fly. Partly clear & cool.

Tuesday, February 16

In shop & attending Twp. Election. 371 votes polled. The following were Elected: Judge: Jos Waller. Inspectors: Michael Kneisley & Harry Good. Tax Collector: Val Kneisley. Assessor: J. F. Caldwell. School Directors: Geo Fehl & H. H. Kurtz. Auditor: Geo A. Truffle. Town Clerk: Theadore Jones. Partly cloudy & cold.

Wednesday, February 17

In shop partly all day. M. H. Groff brought the other steer & we settled to date. Recd check for balance: \$33.11. Paid Daniel B. Rankin \$23.00 on Christian Musser board bill by check. Amagiah Buckwaller paid his sale note of Musser's \$9.00. William Miller's child was buried today, aged 4 mo. & 1 day, at the Reformed Church this place. Clear & cold.

Thursday, February 18

At Jacob Harnish's painting all day: \$1.65. Levi Neff came to help me this morning at \$1.25 a day. S. B. Good repairing chairs & lapboard: 35 cents. Clear & pleasant.

Friday, February 19

At Jacob Harnish's painting all day & Levi Neff: \$1.25. John H. Landis to see me. Jacob Aument here this eve & staying all night. Cloudy all day.

Saturday, February 20

Finished stripping tobacco today. Frank & Will Bitts helped 3/4 day. Judge Patterson of Lancaster died of apoplexy this p.m. Felty Sawyer died at Shenks Ferry this eve. At IORM & at Mr. Evans Entertainment

this eve. Heard that Amos McAllister bought the Dr. Clinger property for \$2500 (private). Cloudy & damp all day. No sunshine.

Sunday, February 21

At Sunday School & prayer meeting a.m. At home Jacob Henry, P. M. Bruner & C. J. Bruner here p.m. At Dr. I. M. Witmer's awhile in eve. Cloudy all day. Light rain.

Monday, February 22

At Lancaster all day. Attended County Committee meeting for I. M. Witmer. Decided to hold the Primary Election on April 9th. Just bought Owen F. Bruner's Hope Market Wagon etc. for \$175.00. To get it on Saturday. The report that Judge Patterson died on Saturday was not correct. He died yesterday eve. Partly cloudy & clear.

Tuesday, February 23

At Jacob Harnish's all day: \$1.65. Levi Neff \$1.35. Samuel Young dropped dead in Lawyer Hostetter's office about 10 O'clock a.m. today. Paid Harry Bitts \$1.00 on account. Partly & pleasant.

Wednesday, February 24

At Jacob Harnish's painting a.m. \$2. Got word of the death of Harry Kendig child to be buried on Friday at 2 O'clock at Stone Meeting House, New Danville. Working at coffin p.m. Neff painting all day: \$1.25. Went to Amos McAllister's this eve & brought out sale bills for him for March 10 = Inst. Judge Patterson buried today. Cloudy all day.

Thursday, February 25

In shop partly all day making coffin for child of Harry Kendig. Levi Neff painting at Jacob Harnish's all day: \$1.35. Harry Kendig's sale today on Martin Herr's farm. Cloudy all day. Light rain in eve.

Friday, February 26

In shop & went to attend funeral a.m. Attending funeral of Ira B. Kendig, infant son of Harry Kendig, aged 8 mo. & 3 days. Revs Abram Herr & Benj Hartzler preached from 2 Sam. 12 Chap. 22 & 23 verses. 7.50 p.m. Levi Neff painting at Harnish's all day: \$1.25. Cloudy all day.

Saturday, February 27

About house & in shop all day. Charlie not well this eve. At IORM in eve. Levi Neff painting at Harnish's all day: \$1.25. Partly cloudy all day & cold.

Sunday, February 28

At Sunday School & preaching. John Zercher, wife & daughter Emma came along to Sunday School & Church & took dinner with us. Also S. B. Good, wife and daughter, Ida here for dinner a.m. at home etc. Bennie Good here for supper p.m. Text for a.m. was Matt 12-30. At Church in eve. Text, Isaiah 45-5. Cloudy & very raw. Cold, damp air.

Monday, February 29

At Lancaster, bought horse, carriage, bread box, & part of a set of harness of Owen F. Bruner for \$175 & gave him 90 day note for same but not to be paid for 1 year. Got lumber planed off at Bartholomew's & paid 20 cents for same. Levi Neff at Harnish's painting 1/2day. Cloudy & rain partly all day.

Tuesday, March 1

In shop all day making sink for Lizzie (Henry) Gardner. Levi Neff at Harnish's painting all day. Snowing all day (commenced last night).

Wednesday, March 2

In shop. Got word of the death of 2 of Conrad Hess children. Went out & took charge of them. Funeral on Friday at 9:30 at house & 10 at the Dunkard Church a.m. In shop making coffin for the children. Will fit them both in 1

coffin. Sent check to A. G. Guile's for John Wades rent. Levi Neff at Harnish's painting 3/4 day. Cloudy all day & light snow.

Thursday, March 3

In Shop all day working at Coffin etc. Mary Bruner & others had a surprise party for me this eve. I knew nothing at all of it till the folks were in the house & it was certainly a surprise. She was assisted by Miss Bessie Martin, Stella Kreider & others. Mrs. Stump got chest lock. Paid 20 cents. Clear & cold.

Friday, March 4

Attended funeral of Susan Naomi Hess aged 1 year 4 mo. & 5 days & Barbara Verdama Hess aged 26 days. I had them both in one coffin. C. B. Miller, John Longenecker & George Seil preached from Job 14 C 1 & 2 ver. This was the first funeral held in the Dunkard Church at Abrams Hess. Recd cash for coffin: \$10.00. Partly cloudy all day. Roads very bad.

Saturday, March 5

Delivered my Havanna Tobacco to Dr. Witmer, the lot that I raised at home on the lot. Amounted to \$33.90 & the Havanna at Musser's to \$9.06. Settled with Dr. Witmer to this date included. Cleaning stables etc. p.m. At IORM In eve. Cloudy partly all day. Snowing partly all day.

Sunday, March 6

At Sunday School & prayer meeting a.m. went over to see Grandmother & Uncle Christ Miller's p.m. At M. E. Church in eve. Gave 50 cents toward raising minister's salary. Very bad roads. Partly clear & cool.

Monday, March 7

In Shop etc. Filed Saw for John Graver & 1 for Abram Warner a.m. Helping to clean up the warehouse & in shop. Paid Harry Bitts \$5.00 on acct. Sold my seed leaf tobacco at 11-4-1

to Harry W. Hess & Wm R. Good. Partly Clear all day. Roads bad.

Tuesday, March 8

In shop all day. Wife went to Mt Joy to attend funeral of Mrs. Myers. Got 1 bu. corn of Amos McAllister for Horse etc. 60 cents. Cloudy & raining partly all day.

Wednesday, March 9

Working in Shop all day. Supt. Brecht visited Schools today. Wife came home from Mt Joy this eve. Hon John H. Landis here this eve. Partly cloudy all day. Light rain a.m. Clear in eve.

Thursday, March 10

Tying up tobacco etc. a.m. Clerking sale of personal property of Amos McAllister. Very blustery. Commenced raining about 1 p.m. & then turned to snow & blowed terribly. Very unpleasant to be out. A regular blizzard. Very changeable. Clear. Rain & snow & clear inter.

Friday, March 11

Working in shop & brought chest from McAllister's that I bought at the sale. It is one that his forefather brought from Germany. Settled with him in full to date. a.m. In shop & finished tying up my tobacco. p.m. fixed 8-day clock that I bought at sale for 15 cents. It is going all right now. Cold & stormy. Partly cloudy.

Saturday, March 12

Delivered my Seed Leaf Tobacco to Good & Hess. Got \$57.55 for the whole crop. This certainly beats all a man to farm 3/4 of an acre of tobacco on the shares & only receives \$57.55 for the whole crop. Took chest over to J. J. Goods for his daughters. Recd \$9.00. Got feed at McAllister's Mill & paid for same. Harry Kendig paid coffin: \$7.00. Cold & rough.

Sunday, March 13

At Sunday School & preaching. Text 2 Cor 6-10. a.m. At home. p.m. At Church in eve. Text. Cloudy, snowing partly all day. Clear & cold in eve.

Monday, March 14

At Lancaster. Paid note of Sensenig & Frontz \$56.43 for cattle. Was appointed Deputy Coroner for Conestoga Twp. & vicinity by Peter Hounaman, Coroner. Got assessment book from the Commissioners to copy. Clear & stormy & cold.

Tuesday, March 15

In shop etc. a.m. Clerking sale of personal property of Jacob Henry. Brought hog scraper, set baking strap & hames & traces: 91 cents. He had a good sale. Partly clear & cold.

Wednesday, March 16

In shop partly all day. Jacob Henry got paint: 15 cents. Bro. Emanuel lined sink with zinc \$2.25. Got word that Cousin Jacob Warfel is very poorly with pneumonia. Snowed last night & part of a.m. Fixed cane for A. Warner: 15 cents. Rocking chair for Wm Good: 25 cents. Partly clear & cold all day.

Thursday, March 17

Took chest, 1/2 dz. chairs, lapboard, sewing machine box & table leaves out to S. B. Good's: \$2.25 & working in shop a.m. At Clingers sale p.m. St. Patrick's Day. The Lancaster Morning News was printed on a green sheet. The first of the kind I ever saw. Cloudy all day. Began snowing at noon & snowed all of p.m.

Friday, March 18

In shop all day. Continued snowing. The deepest snow of the season. About 10 or 12 in. deep. Cloudy all day & snowy partly all day.

Saturday, March 19

In shop. Made short board for M.H. Groff: \$1.75. Painting, varnishing etc. all day. At IORM.. Paid 25 cents as dues. Sleighing is good here but some of the roads are drifted a great deal. Clear & cold.

Sunday, March 20

At Sunday School & prayer meeting a.m. Started to walk over to Grandmother's & Miller's but the roads were drifted entirely shut, so I came back & I went to the M. E. S. S. p.m. At home in eve. Wife and Mrs. Wm Smith went out to S.B. Good's as this is their last Sunday here. J. Henry & Wm Caldwell here. Clear & cool. Snow melting.

Monday, March 21

Took bookcase out to S. B. Good & took wife down to Wm Caldwell's to help to get ready for moving on Wednesday. She will not be home till tomorrow eve. In shop balance of day. The Supervisors had men out the road cleaning. The roads are drifted shut entirely at places. I got 3 hens of Wm Caldwell. Clear & cool. Snow melting very slow.

Tuesday, March 22

Working in shop all day. Wife down at Caldwell's. Went down & brought her home this eve. Finished head board for packing tobacco for M.H. Groff: \$2.50. Clear in morning. Cloudy & snow p.m.

Wednesday, March 23

Helping Wm Caldwell to move all day. Raining partly all of a.m. Snow melted fast this p.m. Settled with Wm Caldwell in full to date included. Cloudy all day. Clear in eve.

Thursday, March 24

Hauled a load of goods for S. B. Good. He moved up on the Marietta Pike to take charge of the Tole Gate there. Bad roads. I do not think I drove them any worse & bought

range of Mrs. S. B. Good for \$4.00. Partly Clear & cool.

Friday, March 25

Took sink over to Lizzie Henry Gardner: \$9.75 & took bureau down to Frank Martin: \$2.00 cash & in shop a.m. Fixing stable etc. p.m. A flock of wild ducks passed over us this eve. They flew North-East & made quite a noise. Mr. Herchy paid me for his child's coffin in full: \$15.00. Abram Warner got cane: 25 cents. Clear & very pleasant.

Saturday, March 26

Working in stable etc. a.m. Redding up about home, trimmed grape vines down on place etc. p.m. At IORM In eve. The following officers were Elected: S. F. L. F.: S. S.; M. M. B.: J. S.; G. E.; C of R: B. F. H.; Asst. C of R: J. B. Sr.; K of W: J. H.; Trustee: J. H.; Janitor: C. T.; Rep: A. L. H. Had supper afterwards. Paid in for G. W. Shaub: \$1.75. Cloudy all day. Rain in eve.

Sunday, March 27

At Sunday School & preaching. Attendance very small on account of inclemency of weather. Rev Noacher preached on "The Sin of Omission" a.m. At Home. Owen T. Bruner & Harry here p.m. At Church in eve. Text Matthew 15-21 & 22 verses. Attendance Small. Cloudy, rain a.m. Snow & rain p.m.

Monday, March 28

At Lancaster. Returned assessment book. Got \$7.00 for copying same. Bought 3 peck of clover seed at \$1.75 per peck. Got fire brick for stove etc. Geo W. Shank had team to move some of his goods. Frances Winters was here this a.m. Partly clear & blustery.

Tuesday, March 29

Helping Clinger McAllister, Harry Kendig &

Geo W. Shaub to move. Shaub moved down on the Musser place today. At League in eve. This was the last meeting in my shop. At Wador & rec'd an order for rent to date: \$5.25. Repaired chair & painted for H. C. McAllister: 25 cents. Clear & cool.

Wednesday, March 30

About home all day. Hanging blinds etc. for Sue McAllister. Wrote deeds for property & in eve got P. C. Hiller to acknowledge the same & paid him 75 cents for it. Partly cloudy all day.

Thursday, March 31

Helping & hauling flitting for Che's Trissler. Hauled for B. F. T. & D. T. (Sr) a.m. Went to Lancaster. Settled with Bitts for rent out at shop in full to date. I intend stay up in Lancaster all night. Got G. W. Shaub to take me in. P. C. Hiller & I was at Comic Opera. Was grand. Stayed with him at his room all night. Cloudy all day. Raining p.m.

Friday, April 1

At Lancaster all day. Got John H. Landis to put money in Musser property. Paid all of bills except tombstones & am ready to settle in full. Got deeds for properties. Got very few bills in today. Very hard collecting. Partly cloudy all day.

Saturday, April 2

Working on lot etc. all day. At IORM in eve & attended a surprise party for M. M. Bortzfield. There were about 60 people present. Paid M. H. Benedict \$100.00 for Martin Musser's property by Martin Musser's orders. Cloudy partly all day.

Sunday, April 3

At Sunday School & prayer meeting a.m. About home. Our dog (Shep) was away & came home & took a fit & after some time partly recovered in the eve. I gave him water

to drink & when I returned he was dead. He was quite young yet & I believe he got a dose of poison. He was part Shepherd & I believe would have made a very good dog. Shower this morning. Partly clear & quite warm.

Monday, April 4

At Lancaster, settled up the Musser's Estate in full & paid the balance: \$436.61 to Abram Herr & took his note for same & gave it to Christian Musser. Bought 118 lb. link wire fencing & staples & paid \$4.77 for same. Thundered last night. Got \$3.00 of H. C. McAllister on account. Partly cloudy & very warm.

Tuesday, April 5

Sowed clover seed this a.m. G. W. Shaub worked 3/4 day for the first for me hauling manure from H. H. Bitts. Paid the balance of manure \$2.50 to him. M. H. Groff paid his bill in full. Cloudy partly all day & showery.

Wednesday, April 6

Working in lot & burning stalks down on place a.m. Pulling stalks, removing fence, digging garden etc. Bought 1 bu. early potatoes of H. C. McAllister for planting: 30 cents. p.m. At home in eve. Jacob Walters had horse & wagon to go to Lancaster: 70 cents. Partly clear & warm.

Thursday, April 7

Commenced plowing. Plowed for & planted 1 bu. of early potatoes & got land ready for another bu. prep tobacco stems in the rows. Partly clear & much cooler in eve.

Friday, April 8

Paid H. T. Caldwell \$5.00 on acct. Planted 1 bu. early potatoes a.m. went down through River Corner partly on business & partly electioneering for H. L. Got horse shod at Henry Beaches & paid him 20 cents for same. Got walnut logs of Henry Warfel (Sr) for \$8.00

& I hauled them myself. Got 1 bu. of Snow Lake potatoes of him for planting. He showed me his steers & cows. Very fine. 1 Cow gives 45 lb. milk per day. Cloudy partly all day. Light rain in eve.

Saturday, April 9

Working about home a.m. Attending Primary (Republican) from 3 to 7 & did work for J. H. Landis, H. C. Brubaker, Milt Ely Heilleback & others. 225 votes polled. The following got the highest voting: Judge: H. Clay Brubaker, 130. Congress: M. Brosius, 210. Senator: J. H. Landis, 126. Assembly: H. Peoples, 163., M. Heidelbaugh, 141. Dist. Attorney: G. C. Kennedy & W. M. Franklin each 96, Quay 211. County Committeeman: Jacob Bitts. Frank Henry got his sideboard & sink. Partly cloudy, blustery, cold & snow storms.

Sunday, April 10

At Sunday School & preaching. Text, St. Luke 11, 21 & 22. a.m. At Home. Beckie Caldwell & Cora here p.m. At Church in eve. Text, Isaiah 42: 14-15 & 16 verses. He preached a powerful sermon (Mr. Noacher). Partly cloudy & cold. 1/4 in of ice this morning.

Monday, April 11

At Lancaster, bought set of harness: \$13.50, box of cabbage plants: 30 cents, knobs: 27 cents. The following Candidates were settled on Saturday. Judge: H. Clay Brubaker. Congress: Marriott Brosius. Senator: John H. Landis. Assembly: Milton Eby & William Heidelbaugh. District Attorney: Walter M. Franklin. Prison Insp: John T.J. Brubaker & Elam H. Denlinger. Poor Directors: R. W. Bard & B.F. Weaver. Co Surv.: Frank M. Trout. Nat Delegate: Dr. J. P. Miller & George Sensenig. State delegates: W. H. Brosius, Levi Kreider, Henry C. Rhoda's. U.S. Senator: M.S. Quay. Partly clear & cold.

Tuesday, April 12

Working down on place all day cutting trees

into posts etc. Geo W. Shaub helped. Emanuel had my horse: 50 cents. Paid Goe Rathlon for vinegar bought at his sale \$3.00. At Church in eve practicing for Easter. Dr. Witmer got 40 eggs for his incubator to hatch for me. Partly clear & cold all day.

Wednesday, April 13

Harrowing down corn stalks etc. a.m. At home on lot plowing etc. p.m. At home in eve. Partly clear & cold.

Thursday, April 14

Working in lot & garden all day. Set 4 hens. Raining partly all of p.m. Emanuel had horse. Cloudy all day. Light snow & rain p.m.

Friday, April 15

In shop partly all day repairing & making window frame for self. Ground covered with snow this morning & continued snowing all of a.m. snow about 1 in deep, but this eve there is scarcely any to be seen. Recd \$2.50 of B. F. Hockey for service as Asst. CAR. Partly cloudy all day & snow a.m.

Saturday, April 16

Put window in end of house in front room which certainly makes a big improvement in looks & comfort. Noah Wade helped & we've settled to date. Paid Jos Kreider \$2.25 bal. in full to date. At IORM in eve. Partly clear & cool.

Sunday, April 17

Went down to visit Mother & Harry Oberley & found them all well. Light rain a.m. & p.m. Myself & family were down. Cloudy all day & damp.

Monday, April 18

Planting onions & cabbage partly all day. At Church in eve practicing Easter Services. Cloudy all day. Light rain.

Tuesday, April 19

Was called to Daniel G. Rankin's early this a.m. Christian Musser was found dead in bed by Mrs. Rankin. I held my first inquest on the body. Following are the jurors: Benj Hill, Wm C. Smith, Amos Warfel, H. W. Hess, J. R. Benedict & W. H. Witmer. Dr. I. M. Witmer Physician. Death caused by apoplexy. Funeral to be on Friday & 9 & 10 O'clock. Went to Lancaster to report & got coffin for same. Embalmed the body etc. Frost this morning. At Church in eve (got \$8.82 for _). Clear & pleasant.

Wednesday, April 20

Making rough box & took it down to River Corner Church a.m. Lining coffin etc. George Shaub went over to C. B. Millers & brought a horse to hitch with mine & plowed the lot & got it ready to plant p.m. Paid P. M. Bruner \$1.20 for potatoes bought of Saml McLaughlin. Got bus. oats for feed of H. C. McAllister. At Church in eve. Text: St. Mttw 26:31. Cloudy partly all day. Light rain in eve.

Thursday, April 21

In shop working at coffin & painted top & sides of market wagon to cover lettering. Painted with patent paint of P.M. Bruner. Paid \$1.00 for same a.m. Finished coffin. George brought Coal from Safe Harbor for us. Took stools up to Rankins & Cleaned hearse p.m. At Church in eve. Jonas Huber's daughter died at Marticville, aged about 18 years. Cloudy & rain partly all day.

Friday, April 22

Attended funeral of Christian Musser aged 70 years & about 1 mo. John Harnish & Abram Herr preached from St. John 20, 27. a.m. helping at Rankins where the funeral was & cleaned out the barn floor down on place & put the hearse down there on account of the room. Martin Musser requests Abram Herr to hold his money & in case of his death it shall

go to Barb Benedict. Benj Bortzfield died last night. Cloudy & raining partly all day.

Saturday, April 23

Working down on place all day. Geo W. Shaub helping. Went over to Altus Warfel's in eve to measure for papering. Got 150 herring of Jacob Wather for \$1.50. Clear & pleasant.

Sunday, April 24

At Sunday School & preaching. Communion Services Sermon preached by John M. Kendig. a.m. At the funeral of Benj Bortzfield at Mt Joy Church. Large funeral. Bus Sweigart & wife here for supper & went along to Church in eve. We had Easter Services this eve. Collected \$4.25 to go to Home Missions. Clear, partly, pleasant.

Monday, April 25

Working down on our place. Geo W. Shaub plowing all day. Got one of C. B. Millers horses to help plow sod. Planted my Chicago & Burpees Extra Early Potatoes this p.m. exactly the same treatment. Cloudy all day. Snow, sleet & rain.

Tuesday, April 26

At Jacob Harnish's all day painting: \$1.65. George Shaub plowing etc. all day. Had C. B. Miller's horse 3/4 day. Sent check to Mr. Weimar for \$16.50 less freight 50 cents for bill of 4-8-91. Amos McAllister 2 bu. corn 60 cents & 1 bus before 60 cents = \$1.80. Clear & pleasant.

Wednesday, April 27

Painting at Jacob Harnish's myself: \$1.65 & Levi Neff \$1.35 all day. Rec'd of Jacob W. Shenk \$3.00, balance of child's coffin. Geo W. Shaub 1/2 day. Clear partly all day & pleasant.

Thursday, April 28

At Harnish's painting all day: \$1.65. Neff 1 day: \$1.35. George W. Shaub 1 day hauling

out manure: 75 cents. Rec'd receipts Weimar & Co for Check: \$16.36. Partly cloudy & light shower.

Friday, April 29

Planting potatoes. Stray Beauty (Early) & Burpees Superior (Late) & Crosby Extra Early Sweet Corn. Extra Early Adams not sweet & Shocks Sweet Corn & fixing fence down on place & helped Clinger McAllister to raise hen house. Paid 30 cents for 1/2 bu. cracked corn for Georgi. Emma Bortzfield here in eve. Cloudy & light rain & damp.

Saturday, April 30

At Jacob Harnish's painting all day: \$1.65. Neff all day: \$1.35. At the M. E. Church in eve to see & hear the Salvation Army. I had never seen them before, but am favorably impressed with them. Clear & pleasant.

Sunday, May 1

At Sunday School & went over to Uncle C. B. Miller's & Grandmother a.m. Took wife & family & I spent the afternoon there. Grandmother had a bad fall. She fell head first down the stone steps in the cellar at Miller's & hurt her nose, hands & one lower limb pretty severely. Partly clear & pleasant.

Monday, May 2

At Lancaster, went in with stage. In shop in eve. Partly cloudy & very warm. Thunder gust in eve.

Tuesday, May 3

Working at Jacob Harnish's all day: \$1.65. L. Neff: \$1.35 painting. Went over to Millersville in eve & fetched a flour chest from Benj Kendig's. Partly cloudy & warm.

Wednesday, May 4

Painting at Jacob Harnish's all day: \$1.65. Neff 1 day: \$1.25. Finished outside & for this time bought 3 shad of J. F. Caldwell. Paid 66

cents for same. Geo Shaub plowing all day. Have Miller's horse. Frank Walters spreading manure 3/4 day: 75 cents. Ed Duke got highchair etc. refinished: 10 cents each. Partly cloudy & very warm all day.

Thursday, May 5

Working about home & shop a.m. Plowing, harrowing & dragging corn stalk land p.m. Goe Shaub worked 1/2 day a.m. Had Millers horse all day. Partly clear & warm.

Friday, May 6

Working down on place getting ground ready to plant corn. This the second time for corn in this place. a.m. Scouring for corn & commenced planting. Did not get much planted. Heavy gust came up, rained very heavy & the lightning struck in a Locust quite near to M. H. Groff's House. Partly cloudy & very warm. Thunder gust.

Saturday, May 7

Working about house a.m. Finished planting early corn etc. put on about 100 lb. of Quick Stela Phosphate. p.m. At Missionary meeting in eve. Rev Noacher came this eve to stay till Monday. Partly clear & cool.

Sunday, May 8

At Sunday School & preaching. Text 1st Peter 2-12. a.m. About home & went along with Rev Noacher down to see Mother Kendig p.m. Went to Church in eve. Stopped in at Mr. Yentzer's a little while on the way home. Clear & cool.

Monday, May 9

Went to Jacob M. Buckwalter's to paint 1 & paper 3 rooms & 1 stairway. Working there all day: \$1.50. Settled with H. C. McAllister to date & with Wm Aument to date. Clear & very beautiful.

Tuesday, May 10

Painting & papering at Jacob M. Buckwalter's all day: \$1.50. At Republican League in eve. Cloudy partly all day. Rain in eve.

Wednesday, May 11

Papering at Jacob Buckwalter's all day: \$1.50. Geo W. Shaub 1/2 day harrowing for corn: 37 cents. Partly cloudy & light rain.

Thursday, May 12

Papering at Jacob Buckwalter's all day: \$1.50. P. M. Bruner & Mrs. Sourbeer here this eve. Partly cloudy & cool.

Friday, May 13

Papering at Jacob Buckwalter's all day: \$1.50. Mrs. Jacob B. Urban was taken to the Asylum at Lancaster today. This is certainly sad. Cloudy & cool.

Saturday, May 14

Working at Jacob Buckwalter's all day: \$1.50. Papering etc. At IORM in eve. Cloudy & rain partly all day. Cool.

Sunday, May 15

At Sunday School & at M. E. Church, text St Luke 22-19 where they celebrated Holy Communion. a.m. At home. Lizzie & Mamie Miller here p.m. went along over home in eve. Grandmother not so well. Thunder gust in p.m. & one in eve. Partly clear & warm.

Monday, May 16

Working at Jacob Buckwalter's all day graining parlor & 2 front doors. Geo W. Shaub worked 1/2 day at corn ground. Had one of C. B. Millers horses. Partly clear & pleasant.

Tuesday, May 17

Working at Jacob Buckwalter's 3/4 day: \$1.00 & Harry Martins 1/4 day: 37 1/2 cents.

Examinations here today for School Teachers. Clear & pleasant.

Wednesday, May 18

Papering at Harry Martin's a.m. Finished there & went down & finished at Jacob Buckwalter's. He paid me in full: \$11.72. p.m. Working about home in eve. Geo worked 1/2 day. Partly cloudy & warm. Light rain p.m.

Thursday, May 19

Working about home all day harrowing potatoes, sweet corn etc. a.m. & part of p.m. Heavy rain p.m. Got 1 bale of straw from Lancaster. Paid 56 cents for same. Cloudy all day.

Friday, May 20

Making fence down on place a.m. & making fence etc. Abm Hipi & Saml Shenk here & paid me for coffin & shroud got for Christian Musser: \$24.75. Bud Martin called & paid me \$1.20 for papering rooms. Mrs. Jacob Hackman (widow) is partly deranged. She was on the street today. Partly cloudy all day. Rain in eve.

Saturday, May 21

Whitewashing hen house etc. a.m. Attending Primary Meeting for School Director, the first held since the new Baker Ballot law. Paid Mrs. Clinger \$2.50 for making shroud for Christian Musser (deceased). Cloudy all day. Rain a.m. & part of p.m.

Sunday, May 22

At Sunday School & preaching. Rev Zachary preached from Matt 25-40. About Home p.m. Bruner here p.m. At Church in eve, preaching by same. Text Isaiah 40-11. Partly cloudy & cool.

Monday, May 23

Working down on place making fence etc. all day for fattening cow. Fixed chair for Conrad

Hess: 20 cents. Paid & took it out in eve & bought straw of Noah Hess at \$10.00 per ton & hauled it myself. Partly cloudy & cool.

Tuesday, May 24

Working down on place at getting tobacco ground ready partly all day. First cow down on the pasture for the first today. Put 200 lb. K.K.K. on tobacco ground. Clear & cool. Had frost this morning.

Wednesday, May 25

At Al Warfel's papering all day: \$1.50. Geo W. Shaub bought 755 lb. of straw from Noah Hess for me at \$10.00 per ton: \$3.77 1/2. The Democrats held a Nominating Convention last night & nominated David S. Hess for School Director. A very good choice. Partly clear & cool.

Thursday, May 26

Not working much today. I was keeping it partly as a hollow day (Thanksgiving Day).

Friday, May 27

At Al Warfel's papering all day: \$1.50. Rained partly all last night. Partly cloudy & rain.

Saturday, May 28

At Al Warfel's papering all day: \$1.50. At IORM in eve. School Board met & made settlement & I am told by one of the Auditors (Foutz) that they are over \$400 in debt & that it took over \$4000 to run our Schools the last year. A sundry bill of over \$100 & H. H. Kurtz Secretary. Partly clear & pleasant.

Sunday, May 29

At Sunday School & prayer meeting a.m. At home & over at Miller's & grandmothers. She is better. Blanch had been over since yesterday, p.m. at home in eve. Cloudy & cool partly all day.

Monday, May 30

Working at Albert Warfel's a.m. Came home

& attended Decoration Day Services which were held at the Reformed Church. The Sunday schools turned out in parade. Rev M. M. Noacher & Rev M. Deacon of the M. E. Church lead in prayer. Partly clear & very warm.

Tuesday, May 31

At Al Warfel's papering all day: \$1.50. Will Witmer: \$1.35, helped. Welshes Circus is here in the place this eve. The first Circus that was ever held here that is known of. I took the children in the Museum but not in the main Circus. Partly clear & warm.

Wednesday, June 1

Harrowing corn & potatoes down on the place & on Lot a.m. Hoeing potatoes & went over to Al Warfel's & finished papering & brought things home & brought table from Ed Dukes to repair & got 2 bu. of corn on ear at John Gravers: 50 cents. Partly cloudy & warm.

Thursday, June 2

Painting 3/4 day: \$1.13 at C. B. Miller's & working at home balance of day. Partly cloudy & warm.

Friday, June 3

Working on the place getting tobacco land ready & pulling plants a.m. Raining partly all of p.m. Heavy Thunder gust partly all the time. John M. Warfel's barn was struck & destroyed by fire & the barn on Joseph K. Umble's farm better known as the old Funk property near Safe Harbor was destroyed. Grant Gardner _ the tobacco land for me. Partly cloudy & very warm.

Saturday, June 4

Planted 128 cabbage plants down on place then went up to election which was held under the Australian or (Baker Ballot Law) this being the first one held in this County. I

was the 2nd man voted under this law. It was held in Guile's Wagon Market Shop a.m. Planted over 900 tobacco plants, the first. Geo Fehl, H. H. Kurtz & David Hess cand. for school dir. The first two were elected. At Missionary in eve. Cloudy all day & damp.

Sunday, June 5

At Sunday School & preaching. Text Philippians 1-6 a.m. At home p.m. At church in eve. Partly cloudy & showers. Heavy gust in eve.

Monday, June 6

Went to Ed Diffenbach's & George & I pulled 3100 tobacco plants & planted them & in the eve went down to Benj Gardner's & got 1200 plants of him. Partly clear & very warm.

Tuesday, June 7

Planting tobacco. Got 1100 plants of Ed Diffenbach. George helped all day. Finished planting today. George helped all day & planted sweet potato sprouts. Partly clear & warm.

Wednesday, June 8

At C. B. Millers painting a.m. at home in Shop. Filed saw for C. B. Miller: 15 cents. Planted beans, pumpkins etc. down on place in corn p.m. Word came here this p.m. of the death of Mary E. Urban who had been taken to St. Joseph's Hospital some time ago. This is certainly very sad. Helped to raise Isaac Shenks barn at the west end of town this eve. Cloudy all day. Light rain a.m. & p.m.

Thursday, June 9

Was called to take charge of the body of David Trissler Sr. this morning & embalmed the body. They brought the body of Mary E. Urban out home last night. Funeral on Saturday at 9 & 10 a.m. Trissler's funeral on Sunday at 1 p.m. Bury at Lancaster Cemetery,

Lancaster. Sold \$5.00 of poultry. Thunder gust in eve. Very warm. Partly cloudy.

Friday, June 10

Took rough box of David Trissler to the Lancaster Cemetery, Lancaster & brought out some yellow pine wainscoting for Mary A. Kendig: 75 cents. At Trissler's in eve. Partly cloudy, light rain in eve clear.

Saturday, June 11

Looking after corpse, lining casket & went to the funeral of Mary E. Urban aged 44 years & 18 days. Rev Benj Hertzler preached from Ephesians 2-19 & Rev Deacon spoke. In shop. Finished casket etc. p.m. Took casket out this eve at IORM Hard weather to keep a corpse. Very cool this morning. Partly clear & warm.

Sunday, June 12

Went to Trissler's to prepare for funeral a.m. Attended funeral of David Trissler at the Lancaster Cemetery, aged 71-9-21. Rev Deacon preached. The weather was extremely warm. Clear & warm (very).

Monday, June 13

At C. B. Millers painting 1/4 day: 37 cents & 1/2 day for grandmother: 75 cents. This has been the warmest day we have had for quite a while. Sister Ellie is at grandmother's today. Clear & very warm.

Tuesday, June 14

Working at J.H. Harnish's all day Painting: \$1.65. Levi Neff helped. Not feeling well at all. Have a terrible pain under my right shoulder blade. Went to Dr. Witmer. He says it is nervous frustration caused by the extreme hot weather. Clear & very warm. Gust this eve but no rain.

Wednesday, June 15

Not doing much all day on account of Rheumatism in my back & the intense heat.

George W. Shaub worked for me this a.m. Harrowed lot, made pen for Hogs etc. Clear & warm.

Thursday, June 16

Working at home on lot etc. all day. Partly Clear & warm.

Friday, June 17

At Jacob Harnish all day painting: \$1.65 & Neff planted the potatoes that I got at Wilks Borough last fall. Partly clear & very warm. Gust in eve, light rain.

Saturday, June 18

At Jacob Harnish's painting all day: \$1.65. Finished for this time. At IORM in eve. Partly cloudy & warm.

Sunday, June 19

At Sunday school & preaching. Text Ephesians 3-19. a.m. At home. Peter Owens, Harry & Mary Bruner here p.m. At Preaching in eve. Text Acts 2-21. Light rain in eve. Partly cloudy & very warm.

Monday, June 20

Working down on place all day replanting tobacco a.m. Dressed potatoes & corn p.m. Frank Walter worked for me this p.m. Word reached here this eve that Watson H. Miller who had been on a trip to Europe became sea sick & in vomiting fell overboard & was drowned & the body not recovered. What terrible news for the family & friends. He was a member of our tribe. Partly clear & very warm.

Tuesday, June 21

Working down on place all day hoeing corn. Frank Walter helped. Went to Jacob Harnish's in eve. Got 1 bu. Corn at 50 cents & settled for painting & fat hog to date, balance due to date & rec'd \$15.95.

Mrs. Wm Mellinger died very sudden. Partly clear & very warm.

Wednesday, June 22

Working down on place all day cultivating & hoeing corn. Frank Walter helped all day. Partly cloudy & very warm.

Thursday, June 23

Working down on place all day. Finished working corn & commenced hoeing tobacco. Frank Walter helped all day. Partly clear & very warm. Light shower p.m.

Friday, June 24

Harrowing & hoeing tobacco a.m. Brought vinegar home that I had bought at Geo Rathlon sale. Partly cloudy & warm.

Saturday, June 25

Working down on place finished hoeing tobacco. Paid Mace Markleys for his father: \$7.50 for plowing last year. Lizzie (Musser) Smith called to see us & will stay all night. At IORM in eve. Partly cloudy.

Sunday, June 26

At Sunday School a.m. At Children Day Service at M. E. Church p.m. & at Mt Zion in eve. Partly clear & warm.

Monday, June 27

At Lancaster. Took wife & family along. They will stay a few days. Bought suit cloth, shoes, hat etc. for self. Cloudy all day. Rain morning & a.m.

Tuesday, June 28

Picking currents partly all day. Wife & family returned home this eve. Picked 64 boxes of currents so far. Partly cloudy.

Wednesday, June 29

Got Frank L. Foutz to cut my grass a.m.

Cleaning up hay mow. Painted ventilators for IORM & worked about home p.m. Sent Check for \$15.00 to J. H. L. Partly cloudy, little rain.

Thursday, June 30

Working at hay a.m. Had intended taking it in this p.m. but did not get away on account of rain. Started cutting rye this p.m. Got Check of M. H. Groff for balance of David Musser's casket etc. George helped in hay at 1/2 day. Partly cloudy all day. Rain p.m.

Friday, July 1

Working in shop & put ventilators in Red Men Hall ceiling a.m. In shop & finished cutting rye. Cloudy partly all day. Light rain.

Saturday, July 2

Working in shop etc. a.m. Down on place p.m. At Missionary Society in eve. We decided to remodel the Church & the following committee was appointed: A.J. Zercher, Chairman, Mrs. J. R. Yentzer & Mrs. P.M. Bruner Also hold a festival. J.R. Yentzer Chairman, A. J. Zercher, Wm C. Smith, Beckie Martin, Stella Kreider, Sue Carrigan, Mrs. P. M. Bruner, Mrs. J. R. Yentzer, Mrs. Andrew Good & Annie Good to be held on the 16th. Paid \$1.00 into Order. Partly cloudy all day.

Sunday, July 3

At Sunday school & preaching. Text Psalms 6 3 & 19. a.m. At Consistory Meeting. The repairing church project was lost. The following were nominated for Members of the Consistory (Elders): Henry Martin for 2 years & J. R. Yentzer for 1 year. Deacons: A. J. Zercher for 2 years & P. M. Bruner for 1 year. At church in eve. Text Joshua's 15-19. Paid Rev Noacher \$2.50 for Missionary Society. Partly cloudy. Heavy rain p.m.

Monday, July 4

Working at hay partly all day. Got B. G. Markley to haul it in for me. Paid Mace \$1.00

same. H. C. McAllister put off fireworks this evening. Partly clear & cool.

Tuesday, July 5

Cradling wheat a.m. Binding & shocking rye: 25 doz. And cradling wheat p.m. Partly cloudy all day.

Wednesday, July 6

Was called to Henry Groff's Early this morning to take care of the body of his stepson Saml Harris. Died of Typhoid Fever. Went to Lancaster for fluid & engaged Benj Hertzler to preach for same on Friday at 8:30 at house & 10 at Byerland Church. In shop etc. p.m. Went out to Groff's in eve. Partly clear & warm. Light showers.

Thursday, July 7

Took rough box down to Byerland Church & hauled Mrs. May and household goods out to Anna D. Armors house. She is going to do housekeeping again. a.m. Was called to Safe Harbor to hold Inquest on an unknown man found in the river but gave way to Michael Shenk, Dept. for Manor Twp. In shop etc. p.m. Partly cloudy & warm.

Friday, July 8

Attending funeral of Saml C. Harnish, aged 20 years, 6 Mo & 22 days. Rev Mr. Deacon spoke from St Luke 23-46 & Rev Benj Hertzler from James 4-14. Buried at Byerland. Got home about 4 o'clock p.m. & finished cradling my wheat. Partly clear & warm.

Saturday, July 9

Binding wheat a.m. Finished binding & shocked same: 43 1/2 dz. sheaves. p.m. At IORM In eve. W. F. Bruner & family came to spend some time with their friends here. The following Committee was appointed to draft resolutions on the death of Watson H. Miller: A. J. Zercher, Benj F. Hooked & Jacob Henry. Partly clear & warm

Sunday, July 10

We had 19 callers today. At Sunday School & prayer meeting a.m. Attended the Funeral Services of Watson H. Miller held at New Danville Reformed Mennonite Church. Rev Mr. Coar preached from St Luke 12-40. This was a very sad service & the first of the kind I was ever at, the body being lost at Sea. His age was 26 y, 4 m & 2 d. Very large funeral attendance. Grandmother was here this p.m. I wrote out the Resolutions relative to W. H. Miller. Partly clear & warm.

Monday, July 11

Hauled in rye & wheat. George Shaub helped a.m. Cleaning fence rows etc. etc. p.m. Partly cloudy all day. Light showers part of a.m. & p.m.

Tuesday, July 12

Harrowing tobacco & potatoes a.m. Had Grant Gardner's rake & raked my rye & hay & started in hoeing tobacco p.m. Clear & very warm.

Wednesday, July 13

Hauled in wheat, rye & hay rakings. This finishes hay & harvest for this year. a.m. Not doing much this p.m. W.H. Bruner & family spent the afternoon with us. Partly clear & very warm.

Thursday, July 14

Hoeing tobacco all day & made board for machine for Mart Eshleman: 15 cents. This rain this eve looked very pretty. The sun was shining in the West & the drops looked like silver. They could be seen far up in the sky coming down. Never seen anything like that before. Light rain in eve. Partly cloudy & very warm.

Friday, July 15

Hoeing tobacco a.m. Finished hoeing tobacco the 2nd time this p.m. & hoeing potatoes. Henry Groff paid for casket of Saml C.

Harnish: \$27.00 in full. Partly clear & very warm.

Saturday, July 16

Finished hoeing potatoes a.m. Hauled load of wood from down on the place etc. P.m. at IORM & the Mystic Chair Order had a festival. Was out a while. Great change in the weather. Partly clear & cool.

Sunday, July 17

At Sunday school & preaching. Text Matthew 11 & 12. a.m. at home. Wm Caldwell & family here p.m. At preaching in eve. Text Matthew 9 & 29. Something at the sky resembling the Northern Lights last night. They were very strong. Came up almost in flames & then turned to a crimson. Clear & cool. Then down to 58.

Monday, July 18

At Lancaster a.m. About home p.m. Partly clear & cool.

Tuesday, July 19

Working about home all day. Sent check to W. R. F. Weiner & Co. for Casket etc. to date. George Shaub & my wife took sweet corn, potatoes & cabbage to Lancaster. Sold the corn at 15 cents per doz., potatoes at 10 cents per 1/2 peck, cabbage at 4 & 5 cents per head. Geo Shaub got 1 dz. corn at 12 cents & 25 cents cash. Partly cloudy & light rain.

Wednesday, July 20

Making fence down on place. George helped a.m. Tore down corn crib down on place & hauled it up here & a lot of old rails for fire wood. Partly cloudy & warm.

Thursday, July 21

Hauled 1 load of rails etc. from down on place & filed 2 Crosscut Saws etc. a.m. John Wade had horse & wagon to go to York Furnace to

bring up some chairs made of Spinning wheels. George worked p.m. Cut down locust on my place. Ed Peaco's Child died. Funeral on Saturday at 10 a.m. (very sad). Clear & warm.

Friday, July 22

Working in shop making coffin etc. for Ed Peaco's child partly all day. George cutting up locust for 3/4 day & dug grave for Peaco's Child: \$1.00. Gust in eve, not much rain. Partly clear & warm.

Saturday, July 23

Attended funeral of Edw Peaco's Child, aged 25 days. Rev Mr. Deacon spoke. Buried at the Colored Cemetery this place. About home p.m. at IORM in eve. The Telegraph men moved the pole in front of our house today on account of it standing in the path. They are a nice set of men. Clear & warm.

Sunday, July 24

At Sunday school
Took 50 new Singing books along for the use of the School. The School decided to go to Fern Park on Thursday the 4th of August. I approved Jos McLaughlin & F.L. Foutz to see after the park & Howard & Edwin Urban to see about teams & proper meeting a.m. At home. Mrs. Wm F. Bruner & Olive here. Partly clear & very warm.

Monday, July 25

Working in shop etc. a.m. In shop, lot & down on place p.m. The thermometer registered 138 in the sun & 98 in the shade. It is getting dry. Geo W. Pries strips at 10 cents. Therm. 98 in Shade & 138 in Sun. Partly cloudy & very warm.

Tuesday, July 26

Working in shop partly all day. Geo & wife took corn, cabbage & potatoes to Lancaster.

Got 12 & 15 cents per doz. for corn; 10 cents per 1/2 peck of potatoes & 4 & 5 cents per head of cabbage. Got word that mother is sick. Therm. 102 in shade, 137 in sun. Clear & very warm.

Wednesday, July 27

Bro Emanuel & I went down to see Mother. She is a great deal better than she had been & went to see Eberley's while there. There was a heavy thunder gust came up. Not much rain but very heavy thunder. It struck in at 4 places. I do not think I ever saw & heard such lightning & thunder in my life. Partly cloudy & warm.

Thursday, July 28

Working in tobacco & shop a.m. Went fishing to the Pequea. Took the children along for a little recreation. Blanche caught her first fish. We caught 12 fish. Partly clear & warm.

Friday, July 29

Working at Wm Caldwell's fitting in screen door etc. 75 cents a.m. At home. Fred Shoff sent up 4400 shingles for roof on our barn. Thunder gust in eve. It is raining while I am writing this. I think it will be pretty heavy. Therm. 96 in shade. Partly clear & warm.

Saturday, July 30

Working in tobacco etc. a.m. In shop etc. p.m. Got 1 bus screening of H. C. McAllister: 50 cents. At IORM In eve. A committee of five were appointed to get up the annual supper in two weeks. The rain last night was light but it is raining now 10:45 p.m. & I think will be a settled rain. Made hawk for Al Smith: 25 cents. Partly clear & warm.

Sunday, July 31

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. At home reading over some of my father's diaries which were kept by him before & during the War. Very interesting. Jacob Henry

was here a while & I read some to him. He was very much interested. I received of mother on last Wednesday when I was down home. Fine rain last night. Partly cloudy & warm. Cool in eve.

Monday, August 1

At Lancaster. Got 45 lb. nails for putting roof on lower barn. Brought 3000 more circulars out for distribution. Got ice wrapper this eve by mail. Robert S. Conklin was re-elected Chairman of the County Committee today. Partly cloudy & warm.

Tuesday, August 2

Working in tobacco a.m. In shop & pulling onions p.m. Had 2 heavy showers of rain this p.m., the first rain to soak the ground to any extent for nearly 4 weeks. Commenced folding up political documents this eve. Have 4000 to send off by mail to different parties through J. H. Gardner. W. Henry had horse. Cloudy partly all day.

Wednesday, August 3

Topping tobacco etc a.m. Pulled spring onions etc. etc. p.m. Paid J. McLaughlin 40 cents for mending Charlie's shoes. W. Henry had horse: 75 cents. Partly clear & warm.

Thursday, August 4

Took Sunday school over to Fern Park & had a very pleasant time. About 80 schoolers & teachers went along. Frank Warfel furnished ice cream: 6 gal at 80 cents = \$4.80 but gave it to me for \$4.00. Mr. Swisher did not charge us anything for the ground. Partly Clear & warm.

Friday, August 5

Working in tobacco & commenced putting on roof on lower barn. M. H. Benedict helping: 50 cents. Rec'd reg. package containing names from J. H. L. Partly clear & warm.

Saturday, August 6

Working at roof all day. M. H. Benedict helped all day (\$1.50). At IORM in eve. Partly clear & warm.

Sunday, August 7

At Sunday school & preaching by Rev Mr. Cremer of Harrisburg. Text Saml 7-12. At home & F. L. Foutz p.m. Took supper at Father Bruner. At Church preaching by Rev Cremer. Text Psalm 50-2. He is chairman of Church Seminary Committee. Taking pledges of same. Myself & wife subscribed for \$10.00. Clear & pleasant.

Monday, August 8

Working in tobacco & at roof. Sent check to Geo N. Reynolds Est for payment of L. I. Pollia a.m. In lot & putting on roof p.m. Marris Good got 1 bu. potatoes: 40 cents. Marley Holbrook here this eve. Clear & warm.

Tuesday, August 9

Working at roof. Finished it this eve. At Republican League in eve. It is getting dry. The corn & tobacco needs rain very bad we think. Emanuel had horse: 50 cents. Therm. 98 in shade. Partly clear & very warm.

Wednesday, August 10

Working in tobacco (topping) partly all day. Gusty partly all day but no rain. Very dry. Therm. 96 in Shade. Partly clear & very warm.

Thursday, August 11

In tobacco partly all day. Finished topping except for a few small stalks. Working at pamphlets in eve. Walters had horse to fetch load of chickens: 25 cents. Ed Peaco paid \$3.00 on account. Partly clear & warm.

Friday, August 12

Working about home all day. Frank Walter

had horse to go to Lancaster: 50 cents. Paid same & for yesterday: 25 cents = 75 cents. Partly cloudy & much cooler.

Saturday, August 13

Pasting & folding Political pamphlets partly all day. At the IORM annual supper. About 250 persons partook of corn & venison (chicken corn soup etc.). Had a fun time. Partly cloudy & cool.

Sunday, August 14

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. Spent the p.m. at Maris Goods. Wife & Children were along. Partly Clear & cool.

Monday, August 15

Went to Lancaster with F.L. Foutz. Expected to see Mr. Landis in regard to Circulars but did not meet him. Today was the first day for running the elevator which was placed in the Courthouse & I took a ride on it. Clear all day (dry).

Tuesday, August 16

Suckering tobacco etc. a.m. Taking out potatoes etc. p.m. Jacob Caldwell & wife & a number of others went to Mt Gretna on an excursion. Clear & warm (dry).

Wednesday, August 17

Hauling up old shingles, Locust wood etc. & making cider. Ordered a casket of Paxson Comfort & Co. Took 800 circulars to the P.O. this eve. Clear & warm (dry).

Thursday, August 18

Taking out potatoes etc. a.m. Making potato herd in cellar etc. Rec'd word that the thrashers will be here tomorrow a.m. etc. etc. p.m. At home in eve. Partly clear & warm & dry.

Friday, August 19

Getting ready for Thrashers. They arrived

about 10:45 a.m. Commenced thrashing at 1 p.m. They took dinner here. 8 men: H. C. McAllister, Noah Wade, Jos Gochenaur & son, Geo W. Shaub & 3 thrashers. Got 25 bus. of wheat & 14 1/2 bus. rye. Right good yield & a splendid lot of straw. Cost me \$3.25 to have it thrashed by Mart Eshleman. Clear & warm & very dry.

Saturday, August 20

Working in tobacco etc. Geo W. Shaub brought 3 bags (600 lbs.) of Amway's Phosphate at Safe Harbor. Want to try it on wheat. A.m. emptied wheat & rye in granary & put lock on same at lower barn etc. etc. p.m. Went over to hear the "Tennessee Warblers" in eve. They are certainly great singers. Light rain on way coming home. Partly clear & very dry.

Sunday, August 21

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. at house & walked over to see Grandmother but she was not home. Wife & children drove over to John Warfel's woods to the Salvation Army camp meeting. P.m. rained about enough to settle the dust last night. Light showers this p.m. At M. E. Church in eve. Rev Mr. Deacon preached from 1 Cor 9 & 10. Partly clear & warm & dry.

Monday, August 22

Went to Lancaster. Paid Henry Whill \$20.00 for F. L. Foutz. Saw Hon J. H. L. in regard to Buffalo pamphlets etc. Paid P.C. Hiller \$5.92 for bill of coal of Kise & Layton of 1886 which I was never asked for & cannot think that I owed it but to save a suit I thought it best to pay it. Partly clear & warm & dry.

Tuesday, August 23

Taking out potatoes all day (early). Had a good crop considering the dry weather. Got about 35 bus or more. Geo W. Shaub helped all day. Partly cloudy & dry.

Wednesday, August 24

Helped H. C. McAllister to haul in tobacco & peaches etc. a.m. Suckering tobacco etc. A.R. Caldwell got 15 lb. crushed shell at 3 cents = 45 cents. p.m. Noah Wade had horse to take tools to Bakers Mill: 25 cents. Light showers in eve. Partly cloudy & pleasant. Dry.

Thursday, August 25

Working in shop partly all day. Sent 2 bus. wheat to Wm T. Pugh's Mills to exchange for flour. George brought casket from Harbor freight: 54 cents & took team to have tobacco over to John Gravers & brought 1 bus. corn: 55 cents along for me. Had a heavy rain last night & a fine shower this eve. Partly cloudy.

Friday, August 26

Working in tobacco partly all day. Partly cloudy.

Saturday, August 27

Mowing briars etc. a.m. & in tobacco etc. P.m. at Church in eve. Missionary but did not have a meeting. Thinking it was a mistake in the night. Sold my market carriage to B.F. Trissler this eve for \$55.00. Will bring it on Monday & give his note & security for same. Partly cloudy all day.

Sunday, August 28

At Sunday school & preaching by Rev Noacher. Text Matt 15: 32, 33 & 34 verses. Went over to the Salvation Army camp meeting. Sargent Simmers & wife did the most speaking. They had a right good meeting. p.m. at Church in eve. Text Matt 3: 13, 14, 15 & 16 verses. Light rain last night. Partly clear & warm.

Monday, August 29

Working in tobacco etc. a.m. Trimming locust trees etc. Isaac McLaughlin got 1 1/2 bus. rye for seeding p.m. At Mr. J.R. Yentzer's in eve

attending meeting of The Willing Workers making preparations for festival & took bills for same along up that I ordered Dr. I. M. Witmer to print this morning. Gave Mrs. Noacher the stamps \$10.08 the S.S. had collected. Charles Trissler brought market carriage. Partly clear & warm.

Tuesday, August 30

Assorting, wrapping & directing Political pamphlets partly all day. In tobacco after supper. At Republican League in eve. Filed saw for H. C. McAllister. Paid for same. Frank Henry had horse & wagon to a load flitting. He moved down in A. Brady's house. A. McAllister got 2 bus. rye. Partly cloudy all day.

Wednesday, August 31

Wrapping & addressing pamphlets. Cow is fresh this morning. Fine calf. H. C. McAllister got 194 ft boards: \$4.80. Paid for same. Ordered casket of Mr. Weimar today. B. F. & Chas Trissler started butchering. Peddled their first meat today. Partly cloudy, light rain.

Thursday, September 1

Jos M. Kreider got 1 bus rye. Working in tobacco etc. a.m. Putting up blinds & stretching carpet for Bessie Martin: 50 cents & fixed door for M. H. Groff: 25 cents & working in tobacco in eve. Partly cloudy & cool.

Friday, September 2

Working in tobacco a.m. Cutting of tobacco. Geo W. Shaub helped this p.m. Clear & cool.

Saturday, September 3

Working in tobacco. a.m. Took boards up to Brunner's Orchard. Made stand for to hold festival etc. p.m. At festival in eve held by the Willing Workers of the Reformed Church. Rec'd \$32.02. The Conestoga Orchestra

furnished the music. Clear & pleasant. Cool in eve.

Sunday, September 4

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. At home & at Wm Caldwell's. Took supper self & family. p.m. Great many folks went to Rawlinsville today. Bishop Taylor preached. Clear & pleasant.

Monday, September 5

Working in tobacco all day. Suckering a.m. Cutting off p.m. Ed Henry helped all day: 50 cents. Clear a.m. Partly cloudy p.m. Rain in eve.

Tuesday, September 6

Tending store for P. M. Bruner all day. My first attempt. Like it right well. He was at Lancaster. Ed Henry worked for me p.m.: 25 cents. Rained a very nice shower last night. John Graver got 3 bus. rye. Clear all day.

Wednesday, September 7

Took my late potatoes this a.m. Turned out very poor on account of dry weather. Cutting tobacco p.m. Ed Henry worked all day. Directed over 100 pamphlets this eve. Clear & cool.

Thursday, September 8

Cutting off corn partly all day where I want to seed & fixed the balance of barn for hanging tobacco. Wm Caldwell & family took dinner & supper with us. Polly Sourbeer here staying all night. John M. Warfel raised his barn today. Organized a Republican Club this eve. I. H. Shuck, Pres. A.J. Zercher, Secretary & Jacob Henry, Tres. Cloudy all day, light rain in eve.

Friday, September 9

Working down in lower barn etc. a.m. Cutting tobacco p.m. Partly Cloudy

Saturday, September 10

Working in tobacco all day. Geo W. Shaub helped 1/2 day. Finished cutting today & am very glad as it is certainly an ugly work. At Missionary in eve. Partly clear & warm.

Sunday, September 11

At Sunday school & preaching. Text Rev. 11-43. Practicing for Children's Day in p.m. At Preaching in eve. Text Isaiah 40, 28 & 28. Bas Sweigart & wife here in eve. Partly clear & warm.

Monday, September 12

At Lancaster all day by stage. Sold horse to Albert Smith for \$25.00. He took him away this p.m. Rec'd Attendees Credentiae to go to the National League at Buffalo but will not go. Partly cloudy & warm.

Tuesday, September 13

Went over to Millersville to grain 2 doors for Benj Kendig: 75 cents cash. Stopped to see Grandmother & Miller's on my way home. Cloudy partly all day & stormy showery p.m. Fine rain this eve

Wednesday, September 14

Working in shop & painting front room of house & wrapped & directed 154 Political documents. Had a heavy rain & some storm last night. Partly Clear all day.

Thursday, September 15

Working in shop & finished painting the room. H. C. McAllister got 2 bus. rye. Mrs. Smith here p.m. & told us about the queer actions of her son Charles. He appears to be Meloncholish. How sad. He is about 13 years old & I always thought he was a model young boy. At Republican Club in eve. Partly clear all day.

Friday, September 16

Cutting corn & working in the shop. Got word

that Mary Schultz died. To be buried on Sunday at 9 o'clock at the house. Preaching there & bury at Hess grave yard. Partly clear & warm.

Saturday, September 17

Finished cutting corn a.m. About home p.m. At IORM in eve. Partly clear & warm.

Sunday, September 18

At Sunday school a.m. Went out to the funeral p.m. Large funeral (Mary Schultz). Partly clear.

Monday, September 19

At Lancaster all day. Sent Check to Paxson Comfort etc. for bill to date. Saw J. H. L. with regard to Clerkship for a few weeks. Am to come in on Wednesday to complete arrangements. By invitation I went along with J.R. Yentzer to a Prohibition meeting at Willow Street. Clear & pleasant.

Tuesday, September 20

Working in shop & husked some corn. a.m. brought up corn in shop etc. Sold cow & calf to Bro Emanuel for \$35.00. Took her out this eve. Partly clear all day.

Wednesday, September 21

Working in shop etc. a.m. Went to Lancaster & got lots of names for mailing pamphlets & a.m. and to go to Lancaster next week for same. Practiced for Children's Day in eve. Levi Bruner was found dead in bed this morning up in Manor Twp. Inquest held by M. Shenk Dep. Cor. & buried him immediately without notifying his friends or anyone. He will be taken out & funeral service held. Partly cloudy all day.

Thursday, September 22

In shop a.m. In shop & wrighting etc. p.m. At Republican Club in eve. Light rain last night. The following officers were elected for the

Marching Club: Capt.: Jacob Bitts, 1st Lieutenant: Maris Good, 2nd: B. F. Snaveleys, Orderly Sargent: A. J. Zercher. Partly cloudy all day.

Friday, September 23

Fixing pump at J. F. Caldwell's. At Mrs. Benj Eshleman's & at Elias Andrew's trying to buy cows but both were too high in price. Left an offer for the one. a.m. in shop & took quilting rollers over to Uncle C. B. Millers etc. p.m. Wrioting in the eve. Thunder gust p.m. but no rain. H. H. Bitts P. frame. Filed saw for B. Markley: 35 cents. Partly cloudy all day.

Saturday, September 24

Fixing pump. Got load coal of G. A. Taylor. H. C. McAllister hauled them. Charged 75 cents. Got 300 ft rough 1 ft wide pine boards of Fred Shoff a.m. Up and getting ready for Children's Day. Partly cloudy & warm.

Sunday, September 25

At Sunday school & preaching by Rev. Noacher. Text Jeremiah 8 & 20. a.m. At home, Rev Noacher, wife & mother took dinner with us & spent part of the afternoon. At Children's Day in eve at Reformed Church. We had a nice time & I am certainly encouraged as Supt. of the school. Jon Swisher of Rock Hill died last night (landlord) in H & M C.A House. Partly cloudy & warm. Very heavy rain.

Monday, September 26

At Lancaster to see about getting to work addressing literature but they will not be ready for me for another week. a.m. Directing wrappers etc. p.m. at IORM Extra meeting on account of death of John Swisher. The Tribe is to take charge of the officiate at funeral tomorrow. I am to serve as Prophet. Partly cloudy. Stormy & much cooler.

Tuesday, September 27

Went along with the Tribe to attend the funeral of John Harvey Swisher, aged 35-6-17. Rev Benj Hartzler preached from Hebrew 13 & 14 & Abram Herr from Amos 4 & 12. F.L. Foutz as Sachem & myself as Prophet. a.m. At home fixing place for corn. George helping 1/4 day: 19 cents. Sold two ducks 64 cents & at Rep League in eve. Clear & cool.

Wednesday, September 28

Went out to New Danville & bought a horse of Abe Harnish for \$117.50 & directing wrappers etc. a.m. Went to Millersville to a cow sale. Bought cow with calf for \$28.00. Give check for same to Bear & Smith. Brought them along home. Abram Harnish brought my horse out for me this eve. Geo worked on road today for me. Clear all day.

Thursday, September 29

Husked corn self & Geo a.m. Directing wrappers p.m. Bro Emanuel paid me \$25.00 on cow. Paid Mrs. P. M. Bruner \$3.00 for Missionary Society which meets tomorrow at Millersville. Clear & pleasant.

Friday, September 30

Finished husking corn where I want to seed Thursday morning. Hitched my horse for the first time with H. C. McAllister double. Went all right a.m. Took horse out to A.F. Martin blacksmith & got him shod behind. Had some trouble shoeing. H.C. McAllister hitched him with his driver & drove him down to Bakers Mill. He is pleased with him very much. Clear & warm

Saturday, October 1

Hauling in corn & taking off fodder from seeding ground. Geo helped 1/4 day & in shop a.m. In shop etc. p.m. At IORM In eve. The following officers were installed. S: M.M.B.; S.S.: G.E.; J.S: H.G.G.; P: F.L.F.; ?: B. F.

Hokey; 1st: A.J.Z.; 2nd: J.R.B.; Warriors: 1st J.C.; 2nd A. H; 3rd J.Z.W.; Braves: 1: E.G.; 2: J.F.C.; 3: T.B. Clear & warm.

Sunday, October 2

At Sunday school. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year. Supt: J.R. Yentzer. Asst.: H. Martin. Secy: Jane Carrigan. Treas: P.M. Bruner. This ends the 2 years of my Supt. Over to Miller's & grandmother's. Self, wife & children p.m. Partly clear. Heavy frost (first).

Monday, October 3

At Lancaster. Brought lot of pamphlets along to Mace here. Mr. Landis is kind enough to let me work at home another week. Forepaughs Show in Lancaster had a very large parade. Geo worked all day. Had 3 horses of C.B. Miller & harrow all day. Partly cloudy & cool.

Tuesday, October 4

Seeded wheat & rye. Put on 600 lb. Amway Phosphate on the 2 acres seeded. a.m. Working at literature etc. George worked all day. Took out sweet potatoes p.m. Had 2 horses of C.B. Millers 1/2 day. Partly cloudy & cool.

Wednesday, October 5

Working at literature all day. At club in eve. Paid a marching suit for George heist eve & presented it to him. Partly Cloudy & cold. Great change. Sleet & rain (Light)

Thursday, October 6

Working in shop partly all day & bought 1 steer & heifer of Isaac N. Eby for \$25.00 & paid him for same \$5.00 cash & check for balance. Out at M.M. Bortzfield helping to raise pole 100 ft out of ground. At Political meeting in eve. Speakers: D. Sensenig, T. B. Hollow & B. Frank Eshleman. Our Club & Marticville Club paraded. Therm. down to 38

this morning. This is the first time since 18 that I did not parade.

Friday, October 7

Working about home a.m. Harry Cornish came here from Columbia with a new market wagon & I traded my furniture wagon & gave him \$50.00 to boot on his wagon & he gave me a written guarantee for 1 year for same. Working at literature p.m. Partly clear & cool.

Saturday, October 8

Working in barn filling up stables & making place for market carriage a.m. In shop etc. p.m. At IORM In eve. Isaac McGlaughlin mended my shoes & Blanche: 80 cents. Paid him for same. Partly Cloudy all day. Rain in eve.

Sunday, October 9

At Sunday school & preaching by Rev Noacher. Text Ephesians 4-3. Mr. Yentzer & Martin were ordained Elders & myself & P.M. Bruner Deacons. At home p.m. Bruner & family & Wm Caldwell & Owen here p.m. At Church in eve. Rev Noacher preached from Heb 1 2-3. Stormy, cloudy & rough all day. eve clear.

Monday, October 10

At Lancaster all day mailing Republican campaign literature. Sold calf this morning to Al Smith. Weighed 130 at 5 1/2 cents per lb.: \$7.15 cash. Clear & cool.

Tuesday, October 11

At home mailing Republican Lit. etc. all day. Rev Mr. J. P. Stein & wife called to see us. Wife cleaning house. Grant Gardner got 1 pt. oil: 10 cents. Clear & pleasant.

Wednesday, October 12

At Lancaster all day mailing Rep literature. Had insurance policy on horse transferred to

Albert Smith & am to hold it for collateral security. Got my present horse, Grant insured for \$112.50. Had a very narrow escape coming home. Some reckless driver drove into me & my horse almost got away from me. Clear & cool.

Thursday, October 13

At Lancaster all day mailing Rep. literature. a.m. At state fair. Some very fine horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, poultry etc. 1 Holstein bull weighing 3025 lb. p.m. Partly cloudy all day.

Friday, October 14

Went to Lancaster & mailed literature. Got word of the death of Moses Hess & went home to take charge of body a.m. Went down to embalm the body. Working about shop etc. Got a coffin from P.C. & Co., Kreider brought it out. Went down to see after coffin in eve. Clear & warm.

Saturday, October 15

In shop partly all day making rough box & finishing coffin. Had a parade (Republican) here this eve. Partly cloudy.

Sunday, October 16

Attending funeral of Moses Hess aged 84-8-13. Revs Seitz, Heisey & Graybill preached. Very large funeral. Light rain early in morning. Clear & partly stormy.

Monday, October 17

At Lancaster all day mailing literature (Rep). Cloudy all day.

Tuesday, October 18

At Lancaster all day mailing literature. Finished for this time in there. Fred Flinchbach 1 day working at cellar door. Partly cloudy all day.

Wednesday, October 19

Husking corn etc. took cow away. Cleaned

out cistern a.m. Working about home all p.m. Fred Flinchbach working 1/2 day. Light shower a.m. Partly cloudy all day.

Thursday, October 20

Working about home partly all day. Partly cloudy .

Friday, October 21

Husking corn etc. Geo husked & I went to visit A. R. Caldwell's school & to hear the Columbus exercises at his school which were grand & I suggested that the scholars go to work & raise a flag at their school house & collect the money for same which they agreed to do. Made an address to school a.m. At Col ex p.m. Clear & pleasant.

Saturday, October 22

Finished husking corn. Geo helped a.m. Working about home & hauled in corn p.m. At Missionary meeting in eve. Committee on anniversary R. Y., A. J. Z., Mrs. Kate Smith & Beckie Martin appointed by the Pres H. Martin. There was a political meeting & ox roast at Marticville this eve. Partly cloudy all day.

Sunday, October 23

At Sunday school & preaching. Text Acts 12 x 6, 7, 8. a.m. At home p.m. At Church in eve. Text, Titus 2 x 11, 12, 13, 14, 15. Ten reasons for being a Christian was his theme. Clear & stormy.

Monday, October 24

At Lancaster all day. P.M. Bruner along. Partly cloudy & cold.

Tuesday, October 25

Working at Rep documents all day. Frank Warfel brought old chairs etc. to shop to repair & B.F. Warfel a washing machine. Sold my barber chair to Geo Eckman for \$2.50 to take it out in trade. He is going to open a barber shop. Pres Harrison's wife died this

morning at the Capital. Had ice this morning. Cloudy & cold all day.

Wednesday, October 26

At David H. Miller's papering all day: \$1.50. Harry Martin helped. Cloudy & cold.

Thursday, October 27

Finished papering over at David H. Miller's & working at directing & wrapping Rep literature remainder of day & in eve. Partly Cloudy all day & cold.

Friday, October 28

Directing literature partly all day. H. C. McAllister hauled balance of my coal this p.m. Got them of G. A. Taylor. 3 tons at \$4.00 per ton. Republican parade in Lancaster this eve. Partly clear & cool.

Saturday, October 29

Working in shop partly all day. At IORM In eve. Partly clear & stormy.

Sunday, October 30

At Sunday school & decided to clean Church on Wednesday a.m. At home p.m. & eve. Clear & stormy.

Monday, October 31

At Lancaster a.m. Working in shop p.m. Mailing literature in eve (Hollow eve). Mrs. Henry Lawrence very poorly. Not expected to live (dropsy). Clear & pleasant (cool).

Tuesday, November 1

Gunning in morning about 1 1/2 hours & went to work in shop. Wm Wade was brought home about 10 o'clock with his hand badly mangled by his gun going off while setting on a fence at home. Nearly his whole palm of the hand away. Dr. Witmer dressed the wound & I assisted. Will certainly has nerve. He never flinched. In shop etc. Cloudy partly all day.

Wednesday, November 2

In shop & got word of the death of Mrs. Henry Lawrence. In charge of body & embalmed the same. Funeral on Saturday at 8 at House & 10:30 at St. Anthony Church Lancaster. Mailed a lot of literature in eve. Wm Witmer helped. Wm Wade not so good this eve. Cloudy all day (partly).

Thursday, November 3

Sent rough box to St. Mary's Cemetery Lancaster for Mrs. Lawrence. Working in shop at casket etc. partly all day. Went to stay up with Wm Wade tonight. Cloudy. Light rain.

Friday, November 4

Finished trimming casket for Mrs. Lawrence. Black cloth, 6 large handles, name plate & cross a.m. In shop & took casket up & put her in & dressed. everything ready for tomorrow. She certainly looks very nice. Light rain partly all last night. Benj Markley hauled 1 load fodder. Cloudy all day.

Saturday, November 5

Attending the funeral of Henrietta Lawrence in the 75th year of her age. Services at St. Anthony Church. Buried at St. Mary's Cemetery Lancaster. Service in eve. Text St. Luke 15-18. Great change in weather. Freezing partly all day. Frank Warfel fetched his chairs. Partly cloudy & stormy.

Sunday, November 6

At Sunday school & preaching & Communion. 33 Communed. Rev Noacher preached from St. John 6 x 54 a.m. At home p.m. At Church in eve. Text 40th Psalms 8th verse. Miss Ella Good was Baptized & Confirmed this morning. Clear & cold all day.

Monday, November 7

Hauled in fodder etc. a small load of straw up

from lower barn. B. G. Markley did the hauling (by Maris) 30 cents a.m. Fixing place for hogs, shelling corn etc. etc. p.m. At home in eve. Geo E. Lawrence here. Cloudy & light rain.

Tuesday, November 8

At election & voted for Harrison & Reid & the whole Republican ticket. Shelling corn etc. a.m. At the polls all of p.m. being appointed a watcher. Also Jacob Bitts & H.B. Thomas. Partly clear & pleasant.

Wednesday, November 9

Began tearing old shop down. Something I had intended to do over 3 years ago. Geo Shaub is to do it for \$3.00. Began snowing about 1:30 o'clock & snowed all p.m. & eve. About 5 inches of snow fell. The first snow of the season. The election yesterday resulted in the election of Cleveland & Stevenson by a large majority. Partly cloudy all day.

Thursday, November 10

Went to Bro Emanuel's & papered a room for him all day: \$1.50. Partly Cloudy, snow melting slowly. Colder in eve.

Friday, November 11

Working for H. C. McAllister filing saw & painting room 3/4 day. Work at old shop balance of day. Got a small dog of Frank Walters. Gave him potatoes for same. Snow partly all gone again. George was working at Shop partly all day. Partly clear & cold.

Saturday, November 12

Working at old shop & helped H. C. McAllister to stretch wire for poultry yard a.m. Finished at H. C. McAllister's & working at shop. Cleaned stables etc. Henry Martin got 1 bus wheat: 75 cents. Geo W. Shaub 1/2 bus: 38 cents. At IORM In eve. George Lawrence got mother's Casket: \$45.00. Clear partly all day & cold.

Sunday, November 13

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. Went over to Grandmother's. Uncle Jacob Zercher there. Took supper at Uncle C. B. Miller's. Went to Mt Zion Church in eve. Bishop Haven preached from 85/Psalms 6 verse. Clear & very pleasant (cool).

Monday, November 14

Working at H. C. McAllister's 3/4 day. Oil \$10.00. John C. Edemiller brought the trees I ordered in July. 3 plum trees viz. Abram Lance, Sheppers Pride & German Prince. 1 Downing's everbearing Mulberry, 1 Meech Prolific Quince, 1 Lucretia Dewberry stalk: \$24.00. Paid for same. Blanche went along down home to spend the week. Geo got 2 bus. wheat. Clear & pleasant.

Tuesday, November 15

Working about Home & at H. C. McAllister's painting etc. Cloudy & raining partly all day. Very damp.

Wednesday, November 16

Taking down etc. a.m. Painting at H. C. McAllister's p.m. Stripped some tobacco this eve. Cloudy a.m. Partly cloudy p.m.

Thursday, November 17

At H. C. McAllister's 3/4 day. Working about home balance of day. H. C. McAllister to 6 lb. paint at 10 cents = 60 cents. Clear & very pleasant.

Friday, November 18

Working about home. Painted 1/4 day for H. C. McAllister. Stripping tobacco etc. etc. Very heavy rain at noon today. Partly cloudy.

Saturday, November 19

Working about home & at H.C. McAllister's 1/4 day & graining color. a.m.

Working about home. Moses Hess Sale today. Property brought \$950. B. H. Montgomery bought. Mother & John came up & brought Blanche along. She was down since Monday. At Missionary in eve. Clear partly all day & cool.

Sunday, November 20

At Sunday school & preaching. Text: 1 Timothy 6 x 6 a.m. Clara Good & Ezra Good's wife & daughter took dinner with us. At home. Mother & John here p.m. & will stay overnight. John & I went to Church in eve. Text Psalm 92 x 13. Clear & pleasant.

Monday, November 21

At Lancaster partly all day. Bought 2 ply roofing for roof. Saw Hon J. H. L. & Rep Witmer & they both were surprised at the result of the 8 inst. Grant Gardner cash 20 cents for filing saw. Partly cloudy & cold.

Tuesday, November 22

Graining at H. C. McAllister's 1/4 day. Went over & fixed Grandmother & John's chairs etc. a.m. Took dinner at C. B. Millers. About home stripped a little tobacco & making fence. Geo helped p.m. Light snow. Nov. storm. Partly cloudy & cold.

Wednesday, November 23

Making fence all day. George helping down on place. Paid Mace Markley 50 cents for hauling fodder. Partly cloudy, blustery & cool. Some snow.

Thursday, November 24

Working about home all day. Cleaning poultry house etc. (Thanksgiving Day). Partly Cloudy. The coldest day. Stormy & rough

Friday, November 25

Varnishing at H.C. McAllister's. 1 pt. varnish: 25 cents & labor 25 cents. 2 young roosters

\$1.00. Working about home balance of day. Cloudy & cold. Light snow.

Saturday, November 26

Working about home partly all day. Went up to meet School Board with regard to fence between me & them. They agreed to make half but held it over for 1 month. Fixed door at graded school. Partly cloudy all day.

Sunday, November 27

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. at home. Mary Bruner, Stella Kreider, Beckie & Bird Martin & Annie Foreman here & spent the p.m. Walked over to Uncle C. B. Millers in eve & at Home. Partly cloudy all day.

Monday, November 28

At Lancaster. Paid \$25.00 on horse & brought Owen along out. Home by 3 p.m. Light snow last night. Cloudy, snow & rain partly all day.

Tuesday, November 29

Stripping tobacco etc. a.m. & part of p.m. H. C. McAllister hauled 100 bus. lime from Rock Hill this p.m. for me. Charged \$3.00 for same. Put it on soil for corn next spring. Mary, Owen, Harry & Birdie Bruner here this eve. I have a very bad cold. Light snow last night & a.m. Partly cloudy all day.

Wednesday, November 30

Stripping tobacco all day. Geo W. Shaub helped. He told me today that he is going to move out of my house in the Spring & going over to David H. Millers. Isaac Diller of Lancaster died on Monday night. Cold & stormy all day.

Thursday, December 1

Working in shop all day repairing etc. Wife out at Wm Caldwell's all day. Clear & cold.

Friday, December 2

Working in shop painting chairs etc. a.m.

Cutting etc. p.m. Geo Shaub had horse a.m. Geo W. Hershel is dead at Quarryville. Repairing desks in graded school: 30 cents. Noah Wade bal. Lancaster 65 cents. Clear & very pleasant (cool).

Saturday, December 3

Working in shop a.m. In shop etc. p.m. Ed Diffenbach's child died last night. At IORM In eve. Henry Boatman initiated. Clear partly all day & pleasant.

Sunday, December 4

At Sunday school & preaching by Mr. Myers of Roherstown, a student of the Theology School at Lancaster. Text 1 Theo 1 Chap 4 to 8 inclusive a.m. Went to Pap Bruner's for dinner & spent the afternoon there, Wife & Blanche & self. Charles went along with John Bortzfield for rabbit dinner p.m. At Church in eve. Preaching by same. Text Exel. 4 + 4. Rev Frederick of Evangel Assoc. assisted. Clear & cold.

Monday, December 5

Working in shop etc. all day. Ed Diffenbach's Child buried today. Wife up home (Bruner's) all day helping to butcher. Clear & cold.

Tuesday, December 6

Working in shop a.m. H. H. Bitts killed steer for us. Dressed 375 lb. p.m. Repaired chair for B. F. Hess 15 cents. I. M. Witmer 16 ft pine at 2 1/2 cents: 40 cents. Cloudy all day. Light rain a.m. Cold & damp.

Wednesday, December 7

Getting ready for butchering here tomorrow. H. H. Bitts here & cut up beef. Delivered Henry Martin hind quarter 94 lb. at 8 1/2 = \$7.94. Maris Benedict 40 lb. at 7 1/2 = \$3.00. Paid H. H. Bitts 50 cents each. Dr. Witmer to 2 molds for pressing segars (cigars): 75 cents. Cut F. Walters

hair: 10 cents. Partly cloudy all day. Light rain last night.

Thursday, December 8

Butchering all day. 2 hogs weighed 703 lb. H.H. Bitts butcher: \$1.50. David G. Rankin chopped: \$1.00. Geo helped. Paid fire tax in N. Martin to p.m. Bruner: \$1.90. Cloudy all day. Rain morning & evening.

Friday, December 9

Working about home all day. Brought up some tobacco to strip p.m. Bought a lot of short boards etc. of George Rathlon, bal. due him \$1.09. Amos Graver sowed some rye & grass seed today. Rather late. Partly cloudy all day.

Saturday, December 10

Making smoke on sausage. Fixing place for heifer up here. Cleaning stables etc. a.m. Working about Lot etc. p.m. At IORM in eve. M. H. Groff repairing chairs: 50 cents. Bro Emanuel paid me bal. \$10.00 on cow this eve. Partly cloudy all day. Clear in eve.

Sunday, December 11

At Sunday school & prayer meeting a.m. At Miller's & home p.m. At Bro Emanuel's & home in eve. Clear & cool all day.

Monday, December 12

At Lancaster all day. J.H.L. paid me for addressing & mailing Republican literature: \$31.00. Paid A.C. Rote in full \$5.00 for fluid C, N.P. & Eng. for Mrs. L. Paid Mr. Rathlon for boards & rails: \$2.74 less potatoes. Paid Saml McLaughlin County Tax: \$3.24. Bought diary for 1893 paid 35 cents. Clear & cold. The coldest day for this winter. Therm. 20 degrees.

Tuesday, December 13

Stripping tobacco all day. Geo helping. Cloudy all day. Snowing a.m. Raining & sleeting p.m.

Wednesday, December 14

Stripping tobacco. Got word of the death of Hettie Zercher, Mother of John Zercher, New Danville. Went out & took charge of body. Funeral on Saturday at 9 & 10 at O. M. Stone Church New Danville a.m. Stripping tobacco p.m. George stripping all day. Piled it up in the eve. Noah Wade varnish: 10 cents. Cloudy & damp all day. (Bad roads).

Thursday, December 15

In shop all day making coffin for Mrs. Zercher. At Gentzer's practicing for entertainment for Xmas in eve. Cloudy all day. Clear in eve.

Friday, December 16

Finished rough box & took it away a.m. Working in shop lining coffin etc. p.m. Cloudy all day. Very bad roads.

Saturday, December 17

Attending funeral of Esther Zercher \$25.00. Aged 82-11-25. Abm Herr & Rudolph Hess spoke at house. This was the first time for Rudolph Hess & Rev D. W. Gerhart's Text St John 11 + 25-26. Jacob Hostetter's Text Rev 14 + 13. The two later spoke at the Church at Missionary in eve. The following officers were elected: Pres: A. J. Zercher, vice Pres: Rev Noacher, Secy: Miss B. Martin, asst.: Dora Smith, Tres: H. Martin, Solicitors: Ella Good, Bird Martin, Beckie Carrigan. Cloudy all day, no sun & very damp.

Sunday, December 18

At Sunday school & preaching by Rev Noacher. Text Isaiah 28 + 16 a.m. At home. p.m. At Church in eve. Text 78 Psalm 6 verse. Partly clear & cold & muddy.

Monday, December 19

Working at Church all day getting ready & decorating for Christmas. Practicing in eve at Church. Partly cloudy & cold. Rain in eve. (roads very rough).

Tuesday, December 20

Working about home & in shop all day. Snowed last night & a.m. Cold & partly clear p.m.

Wednesday, December 21

Working about home cleaning up tobacco cellar etc. Practicing in eve. Clear all day. Therm. 20.

Thursday, December 22

Went over to C. B. Miller's a.m. Helping at Church etc. p.m. Practicing in eve. The AOK of MC opened a fair in their room. This to continue till New Years. Partly clear & cold. Therm. 23.

Friday, December 23

At Church fixing for Christmas a.m. In Shop etc. p.m. Clear & cold. Therm. 18.

Saturday, December 24

About home & fixing at Church a.m. Practicing etc. p.m. At Christmas entertainment at Church in eve. Receipts \$7.56. Not very large audience. Holly berries & meeting Santa Clause I had a breakaway. I think this the coldest weather we had for several years. Clear & cold. Therm. 9.

Sunday, December 25

At Sunday school. Treated to candy & bananas by request of Supt Mr. Yentzer. I handed out treat. a.m. Got word of the death of Eli Richardson's child of Middletown. To meet them at Safe Harbor tomorrow at 9:30 a.m. Ezra Zercher & wife & Geo E. Lawrence. Landis Miller here for supper & they & P.M. Bruner, Harry Bruner, Jacob Miller & Annie Miller spent the eve with us. Cloudy snowy & cold partly all day. Therm. 18.

Monday, December 26

At Safe Harbor. Brought Eli Richardson's child up & buried it in the colored

cemetery: \$2.00. Filed saw for F.L. Foutz: 25 cents. Wrote notice to vacate property for Benj Warfel to John Hess & John Pries. Beckie Martin, Bird Martin, Ellie Kreider, Mary Bruner & Mame Venegan spent part of p.m. here. I kept Hollow day. p.m. H. H. Bitts got heifer, paid cash \$12.00. Clear & cold. Therm. 8.

Tuesday, December 27

Working about a.m. Packing ice for H. C. McAllister p.m. Traded horses with Mart Good (Levi's). He brought his up & took mine away this eve. I am to have \$9.00 to boot. Clear & cold. Therm. 7.

Wednesday, December 28

Packing ice for H. C. McAllister all day. Wife & Blanche went to Lancaster. They were at Dr. Carr's. Got eye-glasses for Blanche. He says she has cataracts very bad. Clear & cold.

Thursday, December 29

Working in shop partly all day. At M. E. Church in eve. They held their Christmas entertainment & treated the School. Put window pane in graded school: 25 cents. Clear & cold.

Friday, December 30

Working in shop all day & fixed door at ice house for M. H. Groff. Clear & cold.

Saturday, December 31

In shop a.m. In shop fixing lamp posts in Church etc. p.m. At IORM In eve. Gave Mary E. Bruner a fine white kerchief & wife gave her a sewing basket for a birthday present today being her 23rd birthday. This closes another year & it seems to me we have greater reasons than ever to thank God for his kindness bestowed upon us. Cloudy all day.