

Diary of Andrew J. Zercher

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Monday, January 1

Partly clear. Rec'd this book from Charles for Christmas present. Thanks to him for same. Went to Lancaster. Took Bro. Emanuel along. Expected to attend to some business but stores, banks, etc., all closed. Returned home in p.m. At home in eve. J.W. Morrison was appointed mercantile appraiser for 1906. Many thanks to friends for patronage during past year and hope may have continuance of same. My desire is to serve them to the best of my ability. May God's blessing rest upon us all and may we serve Him faithfully.

Tuesday, January 2

Partly clear. Brought stools from Thomas Hollows and then went to mill and posted books balance of day. Beautiful day.

Wednesday, January 3

Cloudy. Went to mill. Posting books. Rec'd word about 10:30 of the death of an infant at #33 Spring Street, Safe Harbor. Will bury tomorrow at 10 o'clock a.m. at Catholic cemetery, Safe Harbor. At mill balance of day. J.W. Morrison here this eve. for information regarding mercantile appraiser. Bought car corn today of M.F. Baringer @ 49-1/2 cents per bus. Raining partly all day and this eve. Freezing and very slippery walking.

Thursday, January 4

Partly cloudy . Lining casket and attending funeral of Mary, infant daughter of Charley and Mary Guelipis Base. Born January 1, 1906. Died January 3, 1906. Aged 2 days. Buried at Catholic cemetery, Safe Harbor, a.m. \$15.00. At mill posting books p.m.

Rained partly all of last night. Damp a.m. Clearing and pleasant p.m.

Friday, January 5

Partly clear. Working about home a.m. At mill p.m. At Reformed Church in eve. Rev M.M. Noacher, a former pastor, gave us a lecture on his travels through Switzerland, which was very interesting. A good attendance. Very pleasant day.

Saturday, January 6

Partly clear. Went to Lancaster. Frank P. Henry delivered his tobacco to B.F. Good. He received \$80.49, half of which I paid over to him. Bought oil for mill. Paid John W. Eshleman bill of feed to date, including hay received today. Paid Mrs. Sue J. Keene \$25.00 for rent of her lot this summer. At IORM in eve. Very stormy partly all day and much colder.

Sunday, January 7

Partly clear. At Sunday school. Was given a class of girls to teach. Sue Eckman and others. Hope I may be the means of doing them much good and at Missionary meeting. The old officers were retained in office, a.m. At home p.m. At preaching in eve. Pleasant all day.

Monday, January 8

Cloudy. Working about home a.m. At mill in p.m. Trolley meeting this eve. for election of directors and officers, viz H.M. Stauffer, Pres. A.J. Zercher, Secy. and Tres. M.H. Groff, A.M. Charles and Jonas E. Shenk. It was decided to secure right of way as speedily as possible. Mart F. Good killed a heifer for us this p.m. for beef. Snowing partly all day. Same storm and much colder.

Tuesday, January 9

Clear. Ther: 10. Went to mill. Took the Harry

horse down to help unload car straw that we expect in a.m. Working about home getting ready to butcher hog tomorrow, p.m. At home in eve. Much colder, but very pleasant day.

Wednesday, January 10

Clear. Helped to butcher hog for ourselves. Mart F. Good was butcher. It weighed about 400 lb. Sold can lard to Bro. Emanuel and one to John C. Zercher. Pleasant all day but cold.

Thursday, January 11

Clear. Took a grave marker down to Catholic cemetery at Safe Harbor and put it at the grave of the daughter of Stephen Kopesik, a.m. At mill p.m. Cold all day.

Friday, January 12

Partly clear. Fetched Bessie Winter and daughter Ella from trolley and took them back in eve after spending the day pleasantly with us. She redeemed her gold watch that she had pledged with me for a loan of \$15.00 over a year ago. Working about home during day. Rec'd word this eve. of the death of an Italian child at McCall's Ferry on York County side. Did not take the order on account of it being in York County. Pleasant day.

Saturday, January 13

Partly cloudy. At mill partly all day. At Safe Harbor in eve to attend a meeting of the lodge of IOOF #334, but failed to have a quorum. Partly cloudy and damp. Light rain in eve and colder.

Sunday, January 14

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Sent \$3.00 to Father O'Donnal through Geo E. Lawrence for grave in Catholic cemetery at Safe Harbor. Very icy this morning. Moderated and light snow in eve.

Monday, January 15

Cloudy. At Lancaster by stage. Attended to business, etc. Brought out a petition drawn by Chas G. Baker, esq., with regard to bringing the matter before the court and the voters of the township at the February election with regard to the new road law. Mart B. Good and I started out this eve. with same and secured 25 signatures to it and will mail it to Mr. Baker tomorrow morning. Damp all day and colder this eve.

Tuesday, January 16

Partly cloudy. At mill partly all day posting books, etc. Mart H. Groff bought 2 shoats of Benj Beach for \$11.00. I bought 6 of Amos Dietrich for \$25.00. 12 weeks old. Will go for them on Friday. Damp and cool all day. Colder in eve.

Wednesday, January 17

Partly cloudy. Was called to Amos Graver's to take charge of the body of Susan Shenk who had her home with them for a number of years. Funeral will be held on Sunday morning at 9 at house and 10 at River Corner Church and working about home a.m. About home and at mill p.m. On way home was told of the straying away of Geo A. Montgomery's child (boy) about 3 years old. He was found over near the Jacob Foutz farm about 1/2 mile away going through a woods. At home in eve. Cold, raw, damp all day.

Thursday, January 18

Partly clear. At Graver's and working about home a.m. Went to Lancaster for shrouding, blanket and about my teeth at McCaskey's but were not a fit and had to have another impression taken. Brought liquid smoke, etc., along out, p.m. At home in eve. Damp a.m. Very pleasant p.m. Like spring. Much colder and stormy in eve.

Friday, January 19

At Graver's, Bortzfield's store and Safe Harbor and sent roughbox to cemetery a.m. Lining coffin, etc., p.m. At home in eve. There were 13 Slavs arrested yesterday at Safe Harbor and had their hearing today for receiving chickens that were stolen. They bought the chickens which were stolen from C.D. Myers, clerk in the Kerbaugh office. We're taken by Micken Henry and a young man named Lavaley. They stopped when the arrests were made. Damp raw air all day.

Saturday, January 20

Partly clear. Working about home and took coffin and stools over to Graver's, etc., a.m. Attending township primary p.m. The following is the ticket and vote. Judge, John Wade, 175. Inspector, Philip Markley, 129, Jacob Hoak, 50. School Directors, Fred Sickman, 131, Benj Rummel, 138, Harry Good, 117, Edw Gardner, 103. Supervisors, Valentine Kneisley, 32, Andrew Good, 87, George Fehl, 116, Adam Bortzfield, 83, A.R. Caldwell, 116, Harry Warfel, 51. Tax Collector, Samuel McLaughlin, 70, Fred Flinchbaugh, 105, Fred Weiss, 14. Auditor, J.M. Warfel, 169. Town Clerk, Theo Jones, 170. Blanche and I put body in coffin this eve. Damp cold air all day.

Sunday, January 21

Partly cloudy. Attending funeral of Susan Shenk at Amos Graver's. Born December 1, 1819. Died January 17, 1906. Aged 86-1-16. Rev H.S. Shelley, Reformed and Rev Aaron B. Harnish spoke from Cor. 15-9. Bearers: Al T. Henry, Landis Graver, Harrison Graver and John H. Eshleman. 15 carriages. Quite a number of folks present. \$50.00. Returned to house for dinner. Wife over helping. Had an accident today. The near horse in the hearse, just as we were arranging to leave the house, broke one of the large glasses in the hearse.

Quite a loss. Joe horse cut in the leg badly. At church in eve. Damp in morning. Very pleasant in p.m.

Monday, January 22

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster. Bro. E.H. along. Ordered glass for hearse. Rec'd and paid for my upper teeth to M. McCaskey. \$12.00 by check. After attending to other business we returned home about 4:30 p.m. Rec'd check of Jacob B. Harnish for some tobacco delivered on Friday at 12 cents per pound. \$139.24. Paid John C. the one half, \$69.62. Sent check to W.K. Seltzer for \$200.00 on insurance tax. Damp and warm all day.

Tuesday, January 23

Working about home a.m. Went to mill p.m. At home in eve. Damp and warm rain in eve. Regular spring day.

Wednesday, January 24

Partly clear. At mill partly all day posting books. Hired John Rhinier for another year beginning April 1, 1906. \$200.00 including board at house. His father to have \$50.00 of that for board and the half of his wages, \$12.50 per month. I promised to buy him a \$10.00 suit of clothes if he stays his time. Hired Mart H. Groff for another year at \$275.00, house rent free. Mart H. Groff at Lancaster to have spindle of chopper repaired at Blickenderfer's. Much cooler all day but pleasant.

Thursday, January 25

Partly clear. Was called by phone this morning to come to Lancaster, 549 Mercer Avenue, to take charge of the body of Wm H. Aston who died about 1 a.m. today. He had went in to doctor and died at his mother's. Went in and embalmed body and arranged for funeral for Sunday morning at 9 o'clock at house and 11 o'clock at M. E. church,

Conestoga Center. Attended to other business and returned home this eve. about 4:45. Saml McLaughlin said some hard things about me this eve. in Worth's store. If he was not so old a man I would give him some trouble. He deliberately lied. Much cooler. Roads very rough.

Friday, January 26

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster. Got balance of my teeth for below. Paid \$15.00 for same, filling included. Amos Graver along in. Cold all day. Roads very rough.

Saturday, January 27

Partly cloudy. Took casket to Lancaster and put body of Wm H. Aston in and dressed. Ready for tomorrow. Matt Good along in. Returned home at 12:45 p.m. Took dinner at home and Amos F. Martin and I went to Safe Harbor to attend a meeting of the IOOF #334 which we had and had the books and accounts looked over, p.m. At IORM in eve. Jacob Rankin died early this morning. Commenced raining this eve. Roads very rough.

Sunday, January 28

Partly cloudy. Went to Lancaster early this morning by trolley to attend the funeral by special trolley to Wm Good's of Wm H. Aston. Born January 23, 1865. Died January 25, 1906. Aged 41 years and 2 days. Rev Moseman spoke at house and Rev Abrm B. Herr spoke from Isaiah 45x24+25 and Rev Noah Z. Hess from Galatians 6+7 and 8. 15 carriages from friends from William Good's Station. Bearers: John Z. Wade, Chas Kreider, Benj F. and John C. Zercher. \$35.00, paid. This was the largest funeral that was held in the village for a long time. The M. E. church did not hold 1/2 the people. Rained nearly all last night. Roads very muddy.

Monday, January 29

Partly clear. At Lancaster. Blanche along.

After attending to business, etc., returned home about 4 p.m. Went down to Aston's for stools. Mrs. Aston paid me \$10.00 on account of husband's funeral expenses. At home in eve. Cool but very pleasant day.

Tuesday, January 30

Clear. Working about home and out on the Urban lot a.m. Washed undertakers wagon and went to the mill at Safe Harbor for feed, p.m. At home in eve. The Kerbaugh people had an ox roast on Steigerwalt's Hill today in honor of having cars running from Safe Harbor to Creswell on the low grade road. (Donkey engine and cars). Raw cold wind all day.

Wednesday, January 31

Partly clear. At mill posting books a.m. Went to Brenner's Hollow to a horse sale of H.S. Kerbaugh. This beat anything I ever had for selling horses in the country. A regular stampede. Hollering and bids from 5 to 10 dollars at a bid. They brought big prices considering the condition of the horses. A cash sale. There were about 30 horses sold in less than one hour's time. Back to mill. Posted books and home in eve. Pleasant day.

Thursday, February 1

Working about home and at mill partly all day. Posting books, etc. At M. E. protracted meeting in eve. Rev Mr. Buck of Creswell Evangelical church preached a very able sermon. Sent check to Wm K. Seltzer for \$150.00.

Friday, February 2

Clear. Ther: 6. Rec'd word this morning of the death of Oliver Quomony's child and working about home a.m. Went to Lancaster for permit and attended the Lancaster County Funeral Directors Association which was very interesting, p.m. At home in eve. Very cold all day.

Saturday, February 3

Partly clear. Lined casket, etc., a.m. At Safe Harbor attending a meeting of #334 IOOF and at mill p.m. At a supper at Henry G. Hess in eve. in token of friendship before he leaves the township in the spring. There were 16 of us present and spent the evening very pleasantly. Had supplies taken along. Cold all day.

Sunday, February 4

Clear. Attending funeral of infant son of Oliver and Katie Quomony. Aged 7 months and 14 days. Buried at A.M.E. cemetery, East Strawberry Street, Lancaster this a.m. at 1 o'clock. \$20.00. Stopped in to see Bruner's. Took dinner and had horse fed at Lincoln Hotel, Lancaster. Returned home about 4 o'clock p.m. At church in eve. Cold raw wind all day. Moderating in eve.

Monday, February 5

Cloudy. At Lancaster. Took hearse in and had a glass put in the left side by Harnish the paint man on North Prince Street. Paid \$8.75 for same. Attended to other business and then returned home in eve. Snowed partly all p.m. Much colder in eve.

Tuesday, February 6

Partly clear. Ther: 0. Went to mill this morning. Posting books, etc. Fetched my young collie dog from Dr. Lingenfelter this noon. Paid him for same. She is fine. Am very well pleased with her. We will name her Floss. Returned home in eve. Very cold this morning.

Wednesday, February 7

Partly cloudy. Working about home all day. Cold all day.

Thursday, February 8

Partly cloudy. At mill a.m. At Alfred H.

Gardner's Sale p.m. Helped Bro. Emanuel to clerk same. Rec'd \$1.25 for same. Bought a few things. 2 berry crates & boxes, milk cans and shaking fork. He had a very good sale. Cold raw wind all day. Commenced snowing this eve.

Friday, February 9

Partly cloudy. Working about home shoveling paths through snow for self. Also for Mrs. Bennett and Erskin across the way, a.m. Working about barn and went to mill. From there to Harry H. Kurtz, J.P. office for hearing in the Harry Gochenaur case. He owes me a feed bill and I had his wages attached with the Kerbaugh people, but he put up a fight. The Squire reserved his decision for a few days. Saml Yentzer, J.R. Yentzer's brother, was burned at Columbia this p.m. Heavy snow last night and partly all of a.m. Moderating.

Saturday, February 10

Had horse shod (Harry) at A.F. Martin. Paid for same. Cow dropped calf this a.m. Went along with M.B. Good to Dr. M.T. Reeder's sale on the John Lenhart farm, Long Lane and went to see Wm R. Caldwell with regard to our mill accounts and a judgment note that he had given me for \$750, but did not meet with any success as usual. He is very indifferent about it, p.m. At IOOF in eve. but had no meeting. Cold raw damp air all day.

Sunday, February 11

Partly clear. At Sunday school and took a message out to Pequea church (Dunkard) of the death of Jonas Mumma near Mt. Joy, a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Very beautiful day.

Monday, February 12

At Lancaster was one of the appraisers of the estate of Susan Shenk. Harry W. Hess being the other, after which I went to see my attorney, John M. Groff, with regard to the

judgment note of Wm R. Caldwell and after a long talk with him he advised me to issue an attachment which I did. I never did anything that I disliked more, but I had to do it to protect myself and hope everything may come around all right. Was called to Safe Harbor to take charge of the body of a Slav at #35 Spring Street and to Elmer E. Souder's to take charge of the body of his infant daughter. Pleasant day.

Tuesday, February 13

Partly clear. Working about shop, etc., a.m. lining casket and buried the body of the Slav, John Siminjio. Aged 17 years at Mt. Zion cemetery, Conestoga Center At 4 p.m. \$38.00. Getting coffin ready for the Souder's child to be buried on Thursday morning. Was sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Geo D. Brown, Millersville, my old mistress, I having learned my trade with Mr. Brown. Lived there 3 years. His son, Abrm, phoned me today asking me to be present at the funeral. Pleasant all day.

Wednesday, February 14

Lining coffin for Elmer Souder's child, etc., a.m. At funeral of Mrs. Geo D. Brown, Millersville. Born January 11, 1833. Died February 10, 1906. Aged 73 years and 1 month. Rev ——. Text, St. John 11-25, 26. Rev Lehman. Text, 2 Cor. 5+1. She was buried at Old Mennonite cemetery, Millersville. John J. Watson attended the funeral and called on me to assist him. Mr. Brown assured me that it was his doing. I should have had charge of the funeral, but his son, Abrm thought different. Wife and I called to see Mrs. Edw Pehlman after the funeral. She was very glad to see us. Very pleasant this p.m. Getting colder in eve.

Thursday, February 15

Partly clear. Attending funeral of Mary H. Souder, infant daughter of Elmer E. Souder at Spring Valley, Manor Twp. Born May 5, 1904.

Died February 12, 1906. Aged 1-8-7. Rev Eli Engle and Bishop Henry Heisey of the River Brethren officiated. Text, 2 Saml 12-23 and 16 Psalm, 6 verse. Bearers: Clinger Wagner, James Nagley, John Lutz and John Eshleman. 17 carriages. Buried at Manor church. \$45.00. Returned to house for dinner and was paid for coffin and shroud. Stopped at mill on way home. Charles came along up, p.m. Signed agreement and kept a copy of same for the purchase of the Mt. Zion church property and paid by check to Owen L. Buck, Pastor in charge, \$50.00. This is my 49th birthday. Great reason to thank God for his goodness and mercies bestowed to self and family. Much colder all day. Very cold raw wind.

Friday, February 16

Partly clear. Was called to take charge of the remains of David Henry. Went down and took charge and embalmed body and arranged for funeral for Sunday afternoon at 1 and 2 o'clock p.m. Went to Safe Harbor mill and brought feed up for Ezra L. Bortzfield and settled to date. Cold all day.

Saturday, February 17

Took roughbox to cemetery and lining the casket, etc., a.m. Working about home and took casket down and put body in. Ready for tomorrow. At IORM and at AOK of MC. Spoke to Castle with regard to renting hall to IOOF and they agreed to rent, furnish, light and fuel for \$35.00 per year. Will report same to lodge. Cold raw air all day

Sunday, February 18

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. Attending funeral of David Henry. Born October 16, 1824. Died February 16, 1906. Aged 81 years, 4 months. Revs E.J. Bond and C.B. Miller preached from Amos 4-12. Bearers: J.W. Morrison, Harry W. Hess, Landis Graver, Amos Sterneman. There was a collection

taken for the burial of deceased which amounted to \$23.90, which was handed to me. Thanks to kind friends. Large funeral. \$28.50. At church in eve. Cold morning. Very much warmer.

Monday, February 19

Partly clear. At Lancaster attending to business. Was surprised to learn that Wm R. Caldwell had taken the bankruptcy law. That means a heavy loss to me. Amos Graver along in with regard to Andrew Good not in the Shenk estate. Rec'd check from J.B. Harnish for balance of tobacco crop, \$178.00, 1/2 of which is John C. Zercher's. Cold raw air all day.

Tuesday, February 20

Partly clear. At township elections all day. Very small vote polled. Only 89 votes. Judge: John Z. Wade. Inspectors: Phil Markley, Amos Sterneman, Jacob Hoak. School Directors: Benj B. Rummel, Fred H. Sickman, Harry G. Good. Tax Collector: Fred H. Flinchbaugh. Supervisors: Geo J. Fehl, A.R. Caldwell, Andrew Good. Town Clerk: Theo Jones. Auditor: John M. Warfel. For abolition of road work. Against abolition of road work. A very heavy vote is reported for Mayor at Lancaster city. Very pleasant day.

Wednesday, February 21

Cloudy. At mill a.m. At Henry H. Hess sale of farm implements and stock. Helped Bro. Emanuel to clerk sale, p.m. At home in eve. Raining all of p.m. and eve. Very unpleasant day for sale, but had a very good sale.

Thursday, February 22

Clear. Working about home a.m. At Landis L. Miller's sale of farm implements and stock, etc., p.m. Very large sale. Emanuel along over. Wife, Blanche and I spent the eve. at

Mrs. Bennett's. Beautiful day, but muddy roads.

Friday, February 23

Was called to Albert T. Smith's this morning to take charge of the body of their son, George. Funeral on Sunday at 2 p.m. at Reformed church. At mill, Safe Harbor balance of day posting books. At Smith's in eve. to see after body. Very beautiful day.

Saturday, February 24

Took case to cemetery and stools to house, etc., a.m. Lined casket, etc., p.m. At a Safe Harbor attending IOOF meeting. I feel elated over the fact that I have now accomplished what I had started out last November to do and that is to have the lodge move to Conestoga Centre and tonight it was decided unanimously by the lodge to do so. Will move to the AOK of MC hall. Very pleasant day.

Sunday, February 25

Cloudy. At Sunday school and went to Albert T. Smith's to attend to the funeral of his infant son, George. Born February 12, 1905. Died February 23, 1906. Aged 1 year and 11 days. Rev H.S. Shelley preached from Mark 10-14. Bearers: Martin and Russel Smith. 5 carriages. \$15.00. Preached in Reformed Church and buried in the cemetery. Very sad funeral, the father not seeing the child after it was in the casket. Nor did he go along to the church. He claimed to be sick, but I am very doubtful as to the truth as he had been drunk last evening and believe he took that for an excuse. I certainly feel sorry for his wife and children and hope he may see his condition before it is forever too late. Damp and rainy partly all day.

Monday, February 26

Partly clear. At Lancaster. Saw J.M. Groff with

regard to Wm R. Caldwell's bankruptcy, and attended to other business. Cold raw wind all day.

Tuesday, February 27

Cloudy. At mill all day posting books, etc. Cold all day. Snowing p.m. and much colder in eve.

Wednesday, February 28

Working about home a.m. and made roughbox for to disinter some bodies of the Lowery's and at mill in p.m. Brought dog along up for Charles. He bought it of Dr. Lingenfelter. Cold all day.

Thursday, March 1

Partly clear. Helped to reinter bodies of 2 of Harvey Lowery children at Reformed cemetery and took them to Lancaster and interned them in the Greenwood cemetery this p.m. Rec'd word of the death of an Italian on the Kerbaugh works caused by falling under a train of dump cars and had his skull fractured. Brought body up to the dead house. Cold all day.

Friday, March 2

Clear. At Safe Harbor at mill. Rec'd word of an explosion of a dynamite magazine on Funk's Hill. One man, James Sweeney (watchman), being killed. Took charge of body and brought him up to my place, a.m. Took H.H. Kurtz down to ore mine farm to go over some of the lines of survey there, there being something wrong with the measurements. Did not get through. Will try and finish tomorrow. The explosion last night was something terrible. Beautiful day.

Saturday, March 3

Working about home a.m. and part of p.m. and went to Safe Harbor to mill. Fetched Charles along up. At home in eve. Raining partly all day. Thunder gust in eve.

Sunday, March 4

Rec'd word by phone this morning of the death of Harry Benedict's son, Andrew, at Safe Harbor. Went down and took charge of body and arranged for funeral for tomorrow, p.m. If dying of diphtheria, i.e., croup, I will bury inside of 36 hours. Wife went along down and from there we went to Dr. B.F. Good's, Letort and spent the day. Wm Bitts and Mrs. Sue J. Keene along. Stopped to see body on way home and was called to the home of David W. Rhinier. There infant daughter, Mary, died. Will bury Tuesday p.m. Pleasant but cold. Roads very muddy. We had a very heavy rain last night.

Monday, March 5

Went to Lancaster early this morning for caskets at Express Office and 2 permits from Board of Health, etc., a.m. Buried Andrew, son of Harry and Lillie Benedict. Died March 4, 1906. Aged 3 years. Rev Mr. Baney held a very short service at the house. No service at the church. Bearers: Elmer Benedict and Markley. 7 carriages. \$25.00. Rec'd word this eve. of the drowning of two Italians at Wabank Electric Light plant. Went out and brought the one body home, the other not being found yet. Returned home about 10:30 p.m. Cold raw wind all day.

Tuesday, March 6

Rec'd word last night of the death of Jacob E. Benedict's daughter at Slackwater. Went over this morning and took charge of body. When I arrived home I received phone message that they had found the body of the other Italian at Wabank. Went out and brought it in and will bury them tomorrow at 3 p.m. at Catholic cemetery at Safe Harbor. Attending funeral of Mary, infant daughter of David W. and Cora Rhinier. Born December 13, 1905. Died March 4, 1906. Aged 2 months and 19 days. Bearer: Self. Rev Myles Miller

spoke from St. John 54+28 & 29. 2 carriages. Small funeral. \$10.00. Pleasant day. Cool.

Wednesday, March 7

At Benedict's, Millersville and took car for Lancaster to get 3 permits and returned home about 11:30 a.m. Dressed bodies of Giacone Moriani and Antonio Buratti, the two Italians that were drowned at Wabank on Monday. Buried them at Catholic cemetery, Safe Harbor. Father O'Donnal of Lancaster officiating. \$70.00. They were aged 20 years each and were very fine looking young men. Certainly sad to see two such fine men meet such a sad end. They had worked for Jos E. Brenneman, contractor. Pleasant day.

Thursday, March 8

Working about home, etc., a.m. and working about home and took roughbox to Green Hill cemetery for Benedict's child and at mill. At home in eve. Damp partly all day.

Friday, March 9

Partly clear. At Lancaster attending the hearing of bankruptcy of Wm R. Caldwell. He made some very conflicting statements, a.m. At Lancaster and drove to Millersville in eve. to attend the meeting of the lodge F & A.M. Charles, M. Zercher, Christ Shenk and Herbert H. Groff took their 1st degree in F & A.M. and returned home after luncheon. Arrived home at 12:15 a.m. John C. Zercher attended the funeral of Jacob E. Benedict's child. \$18.00. Pleasant all day but cool.

Saturday, March 10

Partly cloudy. Working about a.m. Attending sale of Cousin Noah Z. Hess. Very large sale. Fetched Mrs. Sue J. Keene along home. Had my lap robe stolen from my Jenny Lind carriage at the sale. Returned about 5 p.m. At IORM and AOK of MC. Cold raw wind all day. Light snow in morning.

Sunday, March 11

At Sunday school and preaching a.m. Took Blanche out to D.B. Warfel's in p.m. and returned. Cold and damp all day.

Monday, March 12

At Lancaster. Finished appraisement of Susan Shenk, it being a note of Andrew Good. We promised note. Very doubtful and attended to some other matters. Blanche along in. Cold raw wind all day.

Tuesday, March 13

Cloudy. At mill all day. Posting books, etc. At auction of John Worth's store in eve. Goods brought fair prices. Snowing lightly partly all day.

Wednesday, March 14

Working about home all day. Am sorry to record the death of Mary Wade which took place about 1:30 p.m. today. She died rather unexpectedly. She was a woman I always had great respect for. Cold, damp, raw air all day.

Thursday, March 15

Working about home a.m. Attending sale of Henry H. Hess. Helping Bro. Emanuel to clerk same. Bought a few things. Goods sold very high. Snowed last night and partly all day lightly. Cold all day.

Friday, March 16

Squire Henry H. Kurtz phoned here this morning to come finish surveying the ore mine farm. Got to work and had it completed by 2:30 p.m. All satisfactory. Found a corner stone on top of hill in woods between the ore mine farm and C.K. Harnish. At mill balance of day. Snowed last night.

Saturday, March 17

Working about home and at funeral of Mary A. Wade. Died March 14, 1906. Aged 65

years. Wife and Blanche along out. I believe she was a good Christian woman. Revs E.J. Bond, John McVeigh preached from 109 Psalm, 11 verse, a.m. At mill p.m. At IORM in eve. First nomination night and at Mrs. Keene's afterward. St. Patrick's Day. Cold raw wind all day. Roads getting very bad on account of snow melting and no frost in ground.

Sunday, March 18

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. About home. Mrs. Lena Martin Smith spent the p.m. here. At church in eve. Cold all day.

Monday, March 19

Cloudy. Took Charles to Safe Harbor and returned home. Working about home all day. Snowing all day. Light rain in eve.

Tuesday, March 20

Partly clear. About home. Amos Graver here. We settled up over affairs to April 1st. Shoveling snow a.m. About home working at barn, etc., p.m. Took Alderney cow away. Cold raw wind all day.

Wednesday, March 21

Partly clear. At mill all day posting books, etc. Sent check to Levan Sons for account to date, \$68.03 and 1 to Dr. Becker for Charles, \$20.00 today. Cold raw wind all day.

Thursday, March 22

Partly clear. At Lancaster by stage. Had John M. Groff, esq., look up title of ore mine farm. Not very good news with regard to Wm R. Caldwell affair. The dividend will be very small. Paid John W. Eshleman account to date by check. \$57.95. Attended to some other business and returned home by stage. Cold all day. Light snow flurry in morning.

Friday, March 23

Partly clear. At mill all day posting books, etc. Rec'd word this eve of the death of Mrs.

Daniel Kantz of Lancaster and shall meet trolley on Monday 1:20 p.m. at Morton's shop with hearse and attend funeral by Conrad Hess. Cold all day.

Saturday, March 24

Partly cloudy. Working about home a.m. Clerking sale of Wm W. Ament by request of Henry H. Kurtz, who was to do it but could not attend. Had a fair sale but small. Left the charge for clerking to Mr. Kurtz, he to pay me and at mill short time p.m. At IORM in eve. Cold raw air all day.

Sunday, March 25

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Not near so cold.

Monday, March 26

Cloudy. Working about home a.m. Attending funeral of Sallie K., wife of Daniel Kantz. Born November 25, 1870. Died March 22, 1906. Aged 35-3-25. Rev Enos Hess opened with prayer. Rev Noah Hess and Eli Engel spoke from Isaiah 32-17. Bishop Henry Heisey officiated at the grave. They came by trolley to Morton's. Bearers: Conrad Z. Hess, Jacob Heisey, Christian Hostetter and Cyrus Lutz. Charged \$5.00 for same. Very damp all day. Roads very muddy.

Tuesday, March 27

Partly cloudy. Hauling cupboards and chairs, etc., up from Safe Harbor for the IOOF who are moving into the AOK of MC hall. John C. Zercher helping. Worked all day. Roads very bad. Cold, damp and showery all day.

Wednesday, March 28

Partly clear. Hauling chairs, cupboards, etc., for IOOF all day. John C. Zercher helping. Am very tired. Roads still very heavy. Paid Jacob M. Buckwalter his interest money by check. \$72.00 and signed a new renewal for same bond. Cold a.m. Moderating very much p.m.

Thursday, March 29

Cloudy. At mill posting books, etc., a.m. Clerking sale of W.W. Frymire at Exchange Hotel, Safe Harbor by request of Mr. Henry H. Kurtz, who was to do it. Fair sale. Rec'd \$3.00 for services. Damp and rainy all day.

Friday, March 30

At mill partly all day posting books, etc. Commenced unloading car of oats at Shenk's Ferry. A long day. Roads very heavy. Raining and damp all day.

Saturday, March 31

Cloudy. At mill all day. Finished unloading car oats at Shenk's Ferry. Posting books and making out accounts all day. Cold, raw, damp day. Snow in eve. very light. Raining part of a.m. and last night.

Sunday, April 1

At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. Charles had team to go to Columbia, etc., to take train. At church p.m. Held joint consistorial meeting. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year. Pres: A.J. Zercher. Secy: E.M. Bachman. Tres: Benj B. Mylin. Primarius to classes, A.J. Zercher Secundus George Plantholt, p.m. at preaching in eve. Very beautiful day.

Monday, April 2

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Wife along. Collections fair. Wife got deed to the ore mine farm (Reeves). She paid \$570.14 on same. Mr. Henry Good put balance in for her. I paid note given Al Hersh for my undertaker wagon, \$125.00 at Fulton Nat. Bank. Paid both phones, residence and mill, up to July 1, 1906. Paid Park B. Shenk for straw and hay in full. Paid Henry Eckman. John C. Zercher sowed clover seed today. Cold raw air all day.

Tuesday, April 3

Clear. Went down on farm and took survey of buildings for insurance in Northern Mutual Insurance Co., Ephrata. Went from there to Safe Harbor. Settled with W.W. Frymire for feed bill. \$82.49 and working at books. H.M. Stauffer and I settled this p.m. The first since the spring of 1902. He gave me his check for \$51.52 balance in my favor. My bill was \$539.67 and his \$488.15. Balance, \$51.52 and I feel relieved. Should not have run on so long. Very beautiful day. Cold in morning.

Wednesday, April 4

Partly clear. Walked to Benj Morton's. Took car for Lancaster and then to Ephrata by trolley. Settled with the Northern Mutual Fire Insurance Co. to date, but think there is a mistake in their account. Paid \$100.00 on mill rent this p.m. and Henry Rhinier and Benj Landis rent to April 1, 1906. Came home by trolley. Very pleasant day. Spring like.

Thursday, April 5

Partly cloudy. Went to Safe Harbor with roughbox to Catholic cemetery and to Dr. Katherman's for death certificate, to mill and home. Working about home a.m. Went to Martin E. Markley's Sale. Bought several articles and a cow for \$33.50. Fetched her along home. At IOOF in eve. No meeting. No quorum. Rec'd a check from the Northern Mutual Fire Insurance Co. this eve. admitting an error of the Secy. Mr. Seltzer of \$24.34. Gave note for \$33.00 for one year for cow. Very pleasant a.m. Damp and raining toward eve. and in eve.

Friday, April 6

Working about home all day. John C. and John Rhinier were hauling manure all day. Very pleasant

Saturday, April 7

Partly clear. Working about home all day. Went to Safe Harbor and brought Charles along home. John C. and John Rhinier finished hauling manure a.m. Feeling very tired this eve. At IORM in eve.

Sunday, April 8

Partly cloudy. Rec'd word this morning by phone of the death of an Italian baby at camp #5, Manor Twp. on the Kerbaugh work. Sent John C. to Lancaster for a small casket to F.F. Groff and paid for same. At church celebrating the Holy Communion a.m. Lining casket, making roughbox and took same to cemetery on my way to camp #5. Attended burial of Charles, infant son of John and Polly Sarzi. Born March 25, 1906. Died April 7, 1906. Aged 13 days. Buried at Catholic cemetery, Safe Harbor. Rec'd pay for same, \$10.00. No priest. Very pleasant. Cooler.

Monday, April 9

Cloudy. In house partly all day. Had an attack of cramps or cholera morbus last night and not feeling well at all today. John C. did the feeding, etc. Raining heavy partly all day and very heavy in the eve. Rather cool all day.

Tuesday, April 10

Partly cloudy. Working about home a.m. At Safe Harbor at the horse sale of H.S. Kerbaugh (junior). About 80 head of horses and mules sold. One pair of mules brought \$500.00 cash. The stock all sold at a fair price. At mill. Brought feed along up for the cows and hogs, p.m. At the church in eve. preparing for Easter service. Sent fire insurance policy to Henry Good by mail this morning. Cold, raw, damp wind all day. Occasional light showers.

Wednesday, April 11

Partly cloudy. Spraying peach, plum and young apple trees. John C. and I, a.m. Went

over to Frank P. Hess, Silver Mine Place and paid for hay that I had got some time ago and bought another ton. They delivered part this p.m. Had Joe horse shod at A.F. Martin's and paid for same. About home balance of p.m. and eve. Much colder this eve.

Thursday, April 12

Partly clear. Working about home all day. Rec'd balance of hay from Frank P. Hess and paid for same, \$12.25 to boy who brought it. At IOOF in eve. Son Charles & Wm H. Erskin were initiated into the Mysterious of the Order. They were well pleased. Charles took out a 20 payment life policy for \$1,000 through Daniel Kreider. Yearly payment is \$30.08. Wife over helping at Amos Graver's. They raised their barn this a.m. John worked all day. Pleasant all day. Cool air.

Friday, April 13

Partly clear. Working about home all day. Digging garden, etc. Very tired.

Saturday, April 14

Partly cloudy. Working about home a.m. At mill p.m. At IORM in eve. Settled with John C. to, \$4.40. Rather damp all day. Light rain in eve.

Sunday, April 15

Partly cloudy. About home all day. At Easter service in eve. Church crowded. Heavy rain last night and a.m. Much cooler p.m. and eve.

Monday, April 16

Partly cloudy
Blanche and I at Lancaster. Paid Eshleman feed bill to date. Bought suit of clothes, hat and shoes for self and attended to other business. Returned home about 4:45 p.m. Pleasant all day.

Tuesday, April 17

Digging garden a.m. Went to mill p.m. and

planted the potatoes I rec'd at H.S. Williamson's yesterday. The white star variety. 7 potatoes. At home in eve. Very pleasant. Quite cool this morning and this eve.

Wednesday, April 18

Clear. Cleaned strawberry patch and worked on lot all day. Harry Jenkins plowing part of p.m. Am very tired. My limb is very sore. A terrible earthquake at San Francisco this morning wiping out nearly the whole town. Warm all day.

Thursday, April 19

Partly clear. Working about home a.m. Went down to farm to look after some repairs and from there to mill and home in eve. At IOOF in eve. No quorum present. Quite warm all day.

Friday, April 20

Partly cloudy. Working about home a.m. Wife and I went to Lancaster to attend the funeral of John Zercher. Born April 20, 1838. Died April 17, 1906. Aged 67-11-27. Revs Menninger and Gerhard spoke from 92 Psalm 12-13. The body looked very natural. Fred Groff, undertaker. Warm all day. Light shower p.m.

Saturday, April 21

Partly clear. Working about home a.m. At mill posting books p.m. At IORM in eve. Warm all day. Very pleasant.

Sunday, April 22

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home. Wife and Blanche out at Mrs. Bennett's p.m. At home in eve. S. Milo Herr's barn burned last night about 12 o'clock. An entire loss. About 50 head of horses, cows, steers and sheep were burned. 500 bus

wheat, farm implements, etc. Much cooler all day.

Monday, April 23

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster. Amos S. Benedict along in. Attended to business of various kinds and returned home about 4 p.m. Very much colder and very stormy partly all day.

Tuesday, April 24

Partly clear. Fixing cistern pump and then went down on farm. John C. and I began cutting locust trees along Lane. Worked hard all day. Mrs. Dr. Good and Mrs. Frank Warfel here a short time this eve. Cold and stormy all day.

Wednesday, April 25

Partly clear. Working down on farm all day cutting locust trees, etc. John C. and Chester Kreider helping. Not so cold and stormy as had been. Cool and stormy. Not so strong as yesterday.

Thursday, April 26

Partly cloudy. At Geo J. Fehl's taking insurance, Amos Warfel and I, a.m. At mill p.m. At IOOF in eve. Charles M. Zercher and Wm H. Erskin were given their degrees in full. Pleasant all day.

Friday, April 27

Partly clear. Working down on farm all day. Christ Urban and John C. along down. Finished the locust trees that we were at. 8 in number and made a fine lot of posts. Quite warm all day.

Saturday, April 28

Working about home a.m. At mill posting books p.m. At IORM in eve. Sold two of my shoats to H. W. Hess today for \$16.00 cash. Taken today.

Missing pages for April 29 and 30

Tuesday, May 1

Working about home. John C. hauled out manure. Joseph Kreider took the hog away that he bought of me on Saturday for \$8.00. Did not pay any of the same, a.m. Went to mill. John C. working on Urban lot, p.m. Rec'd word this eve by phone of the death of an Italian in at St. Joseph Hospital of pneumonia. Dr. Katherman phoned. Will go in tomorrow. Warm all day.

Wednesday, May 2

John C. and I went to Lancaster St. Joseph Hospital and brought out the body of Rex Charmbro, an Italian who died there of pneumonia in his 30th year. Returned home at noon. Embalmed body, lined casket, etc., p.m. F.H. Flinchbaugh here. Went along with him out to Bro. Emanuel to have affirmed to him his resignation as tax collector. Very heavy rain between 5 and 6 o'clock this eve. and a beautiful rainbow afterward. A very welcome rain. Pleasant all day but very dusty.

Thursday, May 3

Partly clear. Making fence (wire) partly all of a.m. Working about home p.m. At IOOF in eve. Had a very pleasant time.

Friday, May 4

Buried the body of Rex Charmbro, #14522, an Italian man who died at St. Joseph Hospital, Lancaster on Tuesday p.m. John C. and Frank P. Henry dug grave a.m. \$35.00. Went to Lancaster to attend to some business and at meeting of the Association of Undertakers and from there to Millersville to attend the meeting of FM & A.M. Charles M. and H.G. Groff took their third. Everything passed off very pleasantly. Rec'd word of the death of Jerry Cooper's grandchild. John C. attended to the latter. Very pleasant.

Saturday, May 5

Went to Jeremiah Cooper's to look after body and make arrangements for funeral of his grandson, Wm J. Craig Cooper. Will be held on Monday at 9 o'clock at house and 10:30 at A.M.E. church, Conestoga, Pa. From there to mill at Safe Harbor and then home, a.m. Working about home p.m. At IORM and at AOK of MC in eve. Quite warm all day.

Sunday, May 6

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching by Rev Shelley a.m. Went down to Colemanville to look after body of Cooper's child. Found it o.k. Took Blanche along for a drive. Pleasant all day. Light rain p.m.

Monday, May 7

Partly cloudy. Attending funeral of Wm J. Cooper (Craig). Born February 26, 1901. Died May 4, 1906. Aged 5-2-8. Rev J.L. Hunt spoke from Matt 19-14. Bearers: Thos Johnson, Isaac Jackson, Edw and Rodney Peaco. 7 carriages. Services held in Colored church and interned in Colored cemetery, Conestoga Centre, a.m. \$33.50. At mill p.m. Met Wm and Cora Caldwell this p.m. on way home from Safe Harbor and they never looked at me. Rained last night. Cool all day. No rain till in eve.

Tuesday, May 8

Partly clear. Digging garden, etc., a.m. Went to Safe Harbor and H.M. Stauffer and I went to see the folks with regard to right-of-way for the trolley line. Were very much encouraged. Cool all day and eve.

Wednesday, May 9

Working about home all day cleaning up yard and lawn, etc. Mr. Caddy here. Put in a new water box at closet. Paid him \$5.00 for same. Rained last night and part of a.m. Quite cold all day.

Thursday, May 10

Partly clear. Working about home all day. At IOOF in eve. This morning the therm was down to 34 and a very heavy frost. Cold raw wind all day. Partly clear and cool.

Friday, May 11

Partly cloudy. Plowed small patch at garden and at Safe Harbor at mill. Brought feed along. Stopped at Cressent Supply office to meet Mr. Pratt and bought the Cressent Supply Co.'s stable for \$75.00. They to have the use of it for 30 days from this date, a.m. H.M. Stauffer and I were out looking after right-of-way for trolley, p.m. Rec'd word this eve. to come to Pequea to take charge of the body of an Italian that was killed near McCall's Ferry by a falling tree on the Kerbaugh's new road. This being the first fatality. Brought body home with me. Will bury body at Lancaster on Monday morning. Pleasant. Light showers p.m.

Saturday, May 12

Partly clear. Went out to Valentine Warfel's and bought corn of him for mill. 55-1/2 bus. While there, rec'd word of the death of John Warfel's (son of Eli Warfel) child down on the farm. Later rec'd word of the death of Edgar C. Ficke's child in Conestoga Centre. Went out and took charge of body, a.m. Dr. Lingenfelter here to examine body of Italian that was killed yesterday. Went to Lancaster to get burial permits and arrange for funeral of Italian. Funeral will be held from St. Mary's Catholic Church where Mass will be held and internment in St. Mary's cemetery, Lancaster. Arrived home about 7:40 p.m. Very tired. Pleasant all day. Much warmer.

Sunday, May 13

Partly clear. John C. and I took roughboxes for Italian and Ficke's to St. Mary and Woodward Hill cemeteries, Lancaster this a.m. Prepared

body of Italian for burial. Lined casket for Warfel child, etc. Went down to Warfel's and to Ficke's this eve to look after bodies. At home in eve. Quite warm all day and dusty.

Monday, May 14

Attending funeral of Lorenzo Krusa, aged about 20 years, at St. Mary's church. Mass was held. About 100 Italians were present. Dr. McCulla officiated. Rec'd pay for extras from his brothers, \$35.00, a.m. Attended funeral of Rebecca, infant daughter of John Warfel. Born February 1, 1906. Died 5-12-06. Aged 3 months and 11 days. Rev Aaron Harnish spoke from St. Mark 10-13 and Rev Jacob Thomas spoke from Isaiah 8-4. Bearer: Self. 19 carriages. \$12.00. Rec'd phone message of the death of John Neff's wife. Will go up in morning. Warm all day.

Tuesday, May 15

Partly cloudy. Went to John B. Neff's, Highville and took charge of the body of his wife and arranged for the funeral on Thursday at 9 and 10 a.m. and at mill a.m. Went to Lancaster for casket, shrouding, etc., p.m. At Ficke's in eve. Much cooler all day.

Wednesday, May 16

Partly clear. Took stools and casket to Ficke's and put body in casket. Lining casket for Mrs. Neff, a.m. Attending funeral of Edgar C., infant son of Edgar C. and May Ficke's. Born June 13, 1905. Died May 12, 1906. Aged 10 months and 29 days. Bearer: Self. \$20.00. Buried at Woodward Hill cemetery, Lancaster. Rev Necht spoke. "Suffer little children", etc. Quite warm all day and dusty.

Thursday, May 17

Partly clear. Attending funeral of Delilah, wife of John B. Neff. Born June 20, 1846. Died May 14, 1906. Aged 59-10-24. Rev McBaney spoke from 2 Tim 4 + 6 to 8 verse. Bearers:

Adam B., John W., Benj B. and Ezra B. Neff, 4 nephews. 15 carriages. Large funeral. \$50.00. Working about home. Rec'd word this eve. by phone to meet the York Furnace car at Good's and take charge of the body of an Italian who died on the way to hospital (sun stroke). Embalmed the body this eve. Two of his countrymen were here to arrange for the funeral for Saturday a.m. at 10:30. The body had \$23.00 in a pocket. No lodge this eve. No quorum. Warm all day.

Friday, May 18

Partly clear. Ther: 90. John C. went to Lancaster for casket and I went to John B. Neff's for stools and rec'd pay for funeral, \$50.00 by check, a.m. Working about home lining casket, etc. John took roughbox to cemetery. I went to Pequea this eve. to get death certificate of Dr. S.M. Lingenfelter for Balbora Bonegno who died yesterday. Very warm all day.

Saturday, May 19

Went to Lancaster on the 6:40 car from Morton's for burial permits. Spent about 8 minutes in the city. Returned on same car and attended funeral of Balbora Bonegno, #17451, aged 26, who was buried at Catholic cemetery. Rev Father Burger officiated. There were about 18 Italians present. They paid balance for his burial and Priest, etc., \$37.00, a.m. About home and at mill p.m. At IORM in eve. Warm all day but not so warm as yesterday.

Sunday, May 20

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home. Rev Shelley here for dinner and spent a few hours with us, p.m. At U. E. Church in eve. Rev Knecht preached from Jeremiah 60-8. Great change in the weather. Therm down to 49 this morning and quite cool all day.

Monday, May 21

Partly clear. At Lancaster. Took wife and Ruth Zercher along. Bought white dress for Ruth and attended to other business. Cold all day, especially in the morning. Heavy frost this morning.

Tuesday, May 22

Partly clear. At mill partly all day. Posting books, etc. and arranged with Mrs. Seiple to move body of her husband from Little Washington to M. E. cemetery, Conestoga Centre tomorrow. Cool all day and very dusty and dry.

Wednesday, May 23

Partly clear. Went to Washington Borough and raised remains of Theo F. Seiple at the Bethel cemetery and brought it here to M. E. cemetery and interned it. John C. helped. Had bay horse, Harry, shod in back by A.F. Martin and paid 50 cents for same. Working about home balance of day. Much warmer and very dry.

Thursday, May 24

Clear. At mill posting books, etc., a.m. Working about home p.m. At IOOF in eve. The electric light people, Mr. Byer, esq., sold out Wm R. Caldwell today by the sheriff. The sale amounted to \$272.75, the papers have it.

Friday, May 25

Clear. At mill all day posting books. John C. cleaning Mt. Zion cemetery all day. Warm and very dry.

Saturday, May 26

Partly clear. Went to Washington Borough and brought the tombstones of Theo F. Seiple and put them up in the M. E. cemetery, Conestoga Centre. Had Mart Groff to haul them. They weighed 1,200 lbs., a.m. and part of p.m. Working about home and went to

meet Charles on way from Safe Harbor. At IORM in eve. Warm all day. Looks very much like rain.

Sunday, May 27

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. About home p.m. and at church in eve. Damp all day and showers. Welcome rain.

Monday, May 28

At Lancaster. Wife along. Had her teeth dressed, filled, etc. \$26.00. Paid the Rhinier and Landis rent for April and May to John Graybill. Raining partly all day. A great blessing. It was very dry.

Tuesday, May 29

Partly clear. At Millersville to see Rev A.L. Buck. To Rock. Insured property for D.B. Herr and at Safe mill balance of day. Wm R. Caldwell moved to Millersville today. Cool all day.

Wednesday, May 30

Went down to visit Mother. Found her not so good. Suffering from a fall on cellar steps the other day. Not serious. Sister Lizzie there helping her. Bro. Emanuel there and came along home with me. He gave me \$1.00 toward the cleaning of the Mt. Zion cemetery. Cool all day. Very pleasant.

Thursday, May 31

At mill. Collected bill of Cressent Supply Co. to date. Settled with H.H. Kurtz for deed of farm surveying, etc. to date, a.m. At home p.m. Very heavy rain storm and some hail. Washed the fields quite a good deal. Very warm a.m.

Friday, June 1

Partly cloudy. At mill all day. Mart went to the funeral of his old employer, Fred K. Darstler,

who was buried at Masonville, a.m. at 10 o'clock. Pleasant day.

Saturday, June 2

Partly clear. Went to Lancaster this morning. Blanche along. Expecting to have the deed of the Mt. Zion church property transferred to us, but it not being properly signed. Had to postpone the matter one week. Attended to other business. Blanche drove home and took Mrs. J.M. and Millard Bruner along out and Jacob and I came home by trolley. Spent the evening at home with the folks. Pleasant day but warmer.

Sunday, June 3

Clear. At Sunday school and preaching by Rev H.M. Stauffer, local minister of the M. E. church, a.m. Took J.M. Bruner, wife and son, Millard, to trolley and at home p.m. At the Children's Day service of the M. E. church in eve. A good service. Very beautiful day.

Monday, June 4

Partly clear. At Lancaster. Wife along. Attended to business, a.m. and saw Gilmore Day parade, etc. 15 bands. John M. Groff was chief marsh. Quite warm all day.

Tuesday, June 5

Partly clear. Packing strawberries, etc., a.m. At mill unloading car bran (sack). At home in eve. Very warm all day. Few drops of rain in eve.

Wednesday, June 6

Down at mill and at home working in garden, etc., p.m. Very warm all day.

Thursday, June 7

Went to Safe Harbor a.m. At home p.m. Very warm all day. Heavy thunderstorms p.m. and eve.

Friday, June 8

Clear. Working about home a.m. Went to Safe Harbor to clerk sale of H.M. Keller (constable sale) and rec'd word of the death of 2 men at St. Joseph Hospital. Came home and had M.B. Good to hitch with my horse and went in and brought the bodies of Frank Stari and Thos McManaerce out. Not in very good shape, the one having died yesterday morning and the other yesterday eve. Laying all of this time. No attention. Drove to Safe Harbor this eve. and made arrangements for the burial of Stari, his wife living there. Will bury tomorrow at 5 p.m. Very warm.

Saturday, June 9

Partly cloudy. Rec'd deed for Mt. Zion church property. Went to Lancaster for casket a.m. Lining both caskets and buried Frank Stari at 5 p.m. at Catholic cemetery, Safe Harbor, \$40.00 and Thos McManaerce at 6 p.m. at Mt. Zion cemetery, Conestoga. \$43.00.

At 12:45 a heavy explosion took place which shook the buildings here in the village and a report that the dynamite factory near Shenk's Ferry was blown up at 4 o'clock p.m. I rec'd word by phone to come there at once, that 11 men had been killed. On arriving there I was horrified to find it only too true. The bodies torn to shreds. Nothing recognizable. I brought up what was found. Scarcely any more than what an ordinary man would make. Following are the names of the killed. Benj and Jos Rhinier (brothers), Wm Funk, W.C. Parker, Pharis Shoff, Fred Rice and John Boatman, Colemanville. J.C. Myers, York. Ed Holmes, Buffalo, N.Y. Grist Hathaway, Emporium, Pa. Earnest Turner, Bullas Mill. Heavy rain.

Sunday, June 10

Partly cloudy. Working at bodies. Frank Rice here to identify the remains of his brother Fred, but could not. Went to meet Dr. I.M. Witmer (coroner) at trolley and took him down to the

scene of the explosion after taking dinner at Shenk's Ferry hotel and held an inquest on the remains. Coroner's jury: Geo E. Lawrence, A.J. Zercher, Fredk. Shoff, Harry Hansel, John Gamble, Benj B. Beach. The verdict being accidental, cause unknown. The left arm and part of body and face was found and identified by Frank Rice as his brother by a scar on arm near wrist. Mr. S.C. Stevenson took charge of that body and I have the remains of the other 10 men. Funeral will be held on Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. at Colemanville M. E. church. Brought more of the remains up this eve. Mr. Rapp ordered casket.

Monday, June 11

Partly clear. Went to Lancaster and then to Harrisburg to get casket to inter the remains of the dynamite victims. I got a solid metallic case, cedar outer case, extension handles and everything first class. Returned home with same in eve. Put remains in casket late this eve. so it would be ready for morning. Warm all day.

Tuesday, June 12

Partly clear. Took case to Colemanville cemetery a.m. Attending funeral of the victims of the explosion, except Rice, who was buried this a.m. Rev Lapish of Lancaster read the scripture lesson. Rev Behney spoke from Hebrew 9-27. Rev Groff from Deut 11-11. Rev Lapish made a few very appropriate closing remarks and Rev Hunt of this charge, read the ages. Bearers: A.E. Rapp, Supt, Gust Bond and brother, Frank Knickerbocker, Benj Johnson, James Dixson, Andrew Carlin, Chas Cramer. Very large funeral and sad funeral. All the different families of the deceased were represented among the mourners. \$350.00. Started for Allentown this eve. to attend the Great Session of IORM there.

Wednesday, June 13

Stopped at Reading last eve. at Farmers Hotel. Paid 50 cents for a bed and left for

Allentown at 6:30 a.m. arriving at Allentown a few minutes before 9 o'clock a.m. and went direct to the Great Council in the YMCA building where they had not yet opened. I answered roll call. Large attendance and rushed business. In p.m. there was a very large parade. Stopped at the Hotel Walton while here. Very cool this morning..

Thursday, June 14

Rose about 5 a.m. and after breakfast went to the Great Council and rushed business. We adjourned about 1:30 p.m. and started for home about 3 p.m., arriving home at 11 p.m. Tired, but pleased with the trip. Cool all day.

Friday, June 15

Working posting books, etc., a.m. and working about mill and home p.m. and eve. I returned home from IORM Grand Session at Allentown. Had a very nice time. Warm.

Saturday, June 16

Working about home in morning. Went to Safe Harbor with regard to the Cresson Supply Stable. Mr. Pratt told me he thought about the middle of next week I could have it at mill, etc., a.m. Working about and went to Safe Harbor for Charles in eve. At AOK of MC in eve. Very heavy rain p.m. This is the heaviest rain we had for some years. Very warm.

Sunday, June 17

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. Took Charles to Safe Harbor and went with him over the works, p.m. They had several washouts and slides on the Port and new R.R. Mrs. W.F. Bruner's daughter, Olive and a lady friend spent p.m. and took supper with us. At home in eve. Warm all day. Light showers p.m.

Monday, June 18

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster on business by

way of Safe Harbor, Rock Hill, etc. Heavy rain did quite a lot of damage at Safe Harbor, etc. Paid Mr. Fairchild Sunbury bill to date. Damp and rain.

Tuesday, June 19

Partly cloudy. Working about home and picked a few cherries a.m. Went to mill and brought Charles and his trunk from Mart H. Groff. He has been laid off of the railroad job as they are nearly finished. Went over to John H. Kendig's to do some insurance. John B. Kendig's large barn down at Willow Street was burned this a.m. Cause unknown. Damp all day and rain.

Wednesday, June 20

Partly cloudy. Working about home a.m. Went to mill p.m. At home in eve. Very warm all day. Rain in eve.

Thursday, June 21

Working about home. Charles went to Quarryville to look for job with the Shield's Contractor. Phoned from Millersville to meet him at trolley at 2:30. Brought him home and took him back to make the 3:40 trolley to go to work for them at Quarryville. Took clothes, etc., along. Rec'd voucher of the H.S. Kerbaugh for burial of 2 of their men. \$77.50. Viz Safe Harbor, \$25.40. Doctor, \$35.00. Unpaid labor, \$17.10. Total, \$77.50. Very sultry and warm all day. Heavy rain about 6:15 p.m. and thunder.

Friday, June 22

Partly clear. Went to Safe Harbor. Saw the Kerbaugh people with regard to my accounts and at Mill posting books to date. Rec'd my appointment as D.D.G.S. for this district from John J. Murphy M.D. of Mt. Joy. A personal appointment of his for past friendship and present. Warm all day. Rain in p.m. and eve.

Saturday, June 23

Working about home all day. At IORM in eve. Very warm p.m. Very heavy rain in eve. We have had rain every day for over a week now.

Sunday, June 24

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. About home. Fetched Charles from and took him to the trolley so he could go back to his work at Quarryville for work. At church in eve. Very pleasant. No rain.

Monday, June 25

Partly clear. At Lancaster. Took Mrs. P.M. Bruner along in. Bought some things for home. Bought corn and straw of James McSparren to be shipped to Safe Harbor this week if possible. Very beautiful day. Sun warm.

Tuesday, June 26

Partly cloudy. Went to Safe Harbor and H.M. Stauffer and I started surveying right-off-way for the trolley. Worked busily all day. Met very little opposition all day. At home in eve. Sultry and warm. Light shower p.m.

Wednesday, June 27

Partly clear. Stauffer and I out on trolley again. Met some opposition today. Especially Mr. J.R. Yentzer. I was certainly surprised. A man who seemed to be so very much interested in trolley to refuse to give right of way to pass his residence. It is certainly trying and some of those who we thought would be hard to deal with were just as liberal. Am tired. Pleasant all day.

Thursday, June 28

Partly clear. Lining casket and went over to Edw Eshleman's and put remains of stillborn baby in casket and took it to River Corner Church and buried it in cemetery there, a.m. \$5.00. Working about home p.m. At IOOF in eve. No meeting. Warm all day.

Friday, June 29

Stauffer and I out on trolley again. Had more encouragement today in places and others no better. Dr. Kendig is very undecided. Would not sign papers. Working about home balance of day. Very warm all day.

Saturday, June 30

Partly clear. At mill a.m. Working about home p.m. At IORM in eve. and Mystic chair AOK of MC. Went to B.F. Hookey to see him about right of way for trolley to pass his place but he will not grant it. His reason is that it would depreciate the value of his property in his estimation. "Great Hookey". A.R. Caldwell refuses to let us cross a corner of property on opposite side of public road in front of John Z. Wade. Quite determined. Heavy storm and rain in early eve. Warm all day.

Sunday, July 1

Clear. At Sunday school and preaching by Rev Shelley. Was called by phone to come to Pequea at once to take charge of the body of Mr. Van Horn who was drowned on Friday eve .about 8 o'clock while bathing, a.m. Drove down and brought body up. In bad shape. Very much swollen and dark. Am to prepare the body and ship to his home in Tioga county. Working at body balance of p.m. and eve. Lizzie Smith and a lady friend here. Also Mr. Shelley and family. Very warm all day.

Monday, July 2

Partly clear. About home. Rec'd word by phone that the father of the young man I have who drowned on Friday eve. will be here to see the body. (Perrin C. Van Horn). Arrived here at 10 a.m. After seeing the remains it was arranged to prepare the body to ship to Wellsboro, Tioga County, Pa. at 7:20 this eve from Lancaster. His father accompanied the same. His father was very much affected when seeing the body. The name is John K. Van Horn. Was born June 14,

1884. Died by drowning at Riverview Hotel, Pequea, June 29, 1906. Aged 22 years and 15 days. Had a copper lined black cloth casket, 6 feet 6 inches by 25 inches wide. Extension bar handles and end in tight shroud. Oak box. \$235.00. Very warm all day.

Tuesday, July 3

Partly cloudy. Working about barn and shop cleaning up from yesterday's job, a.m. About home p.m. and eve. Charles Kreider is making his house two story. This rain this eve. will be hard on the house. Warm all day. Quite a heavy rain this eve about 6:00 o'clock.

Wednesday, July 4

Working about home all day. Pleasant all day.

Thursday, July 5

Partly clear. Working about home hoeing, etc., all day. Charles and Blanche at Lancaster. Pleasant all day.

Friday, July 6

Partly clear. At mill all day posting books, etc. Rec'd a car of straw of H.K. Keller. Unloading this p.m. Cool all day.

Saturday, July 7

Partly clear. Ther: 56. Working about home. Helped to finish tying up the rye and putting same on shock, a.m. Went to mill p.m. At IORM. M. Triler officially notified of my appointment as D.D.G.S. for this district in eve. A.R. Caldwell's infant child died this p.m. It was reported as being a cripple about 4 weeks old. Cool all day.

Sunday, July 8

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. About home p.m. At church in eve. Rev Shelley preached. Text: "And Paul." Very pleasant day.

Monday, July 9

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day attending to business and trolley. Very warm. Shower in eve

Tuesday, July 10

Partly clear. At Lancaster. Took Charles along in and seen him on the 10:35 train for Seward West Moreland Co. near Blairsville, Pa. to work for the H.S. Kerbaugh people and H.M. Stauffer, a.m. Charles and myself called on the Conestoga Traction people (W. Griest, Pres) with regard to our road and arranged for a meeting in August, date not fixed yet. We feel encouraged in the matter. John C. Zercher and John Rhinier hauled in the rye today. Paid Wm C. Bitts for hauling, etc., this date. Heavy rain this eve. Warm all day.

Wednesday, July 11

Partly clear. Working about home. John and I finished mowing grass, a.m. At Safe Harbor p.m. At home in eve. The lightning killed a cow for Amos Graver last eve. Warm all day. Cool in eve.

Thursday, July 12

Working about home all day taking in hay, rye rakings and hoeing tobacco. At IOOF in eve. Very warm all day.

Friday, July 13

Clear. Hoeing tobacco a.m. At mill. Brought feed up for A.F. Martin, E.L. Bortzfield and self. Rec'd pay for same and paid them for articles rec'd, p.m. At home in eve. fixing up books for M.B. Good (road master). Very pleasant day.

Saturday, July 14

Partly clear. Working about home all day. At IORM in eve. Very pleasant day.

Sunday, July 15

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching

a.m. Decided to have treat for S.S. at church in place of Graver's woods as first decided on next Saturday p.m. About home p.m. and eve. Tobias Shenk's barn on the Rice farm near Colemanville was burned this p.m. Cause as yet unknown. Mrs. Sue J. Keene and mother spent the eve. here. Pleasant day. Few drops of rain a.m.

Monday, July 16

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster via Safe Harbor and Millersville a.m. Went to Central Manor Hotel to attend a preliminary meeting with a view of running a road from Hoak's Hotel, Millersville, to Central Manor, Washington Borough, Columbia, etc. A board of directors were elected and preparations made to apply for a charter in the near future. Returned home by way of Safe Harbor. Warm all day. Thunder gust in eve with fine rain.

Tuesday, July 17

Partly clear. At mill posting books all day. Warm all day.

Wednesday, July 18

Clear. Commenced tearing down the Cresson Supply Co. Stable at Safe Harbor this morning. Gave check to C. Wallace for same, \$63.86, less \$11.16 of mill bill. John C. Zercher, Frank P. Henry, John Flinchbaugh helping. Eli Warfel hauled 1 load lumber down on farm today. Very warm all day.

Thursday, July 19

Clear. Working at stable all day. John C. Zercher, John Flinchbaugh, Ed Henry, John D. Kise, 1/2 day. Eli Warfel hauled 1 load of lumber away today. Very warm all day.

Friday, July 20

Clear. Working at stable all day. John C. Zercher, John Flinchbaugh, John Kise and John Rhinier part of p.m. Eli Warfel hauled 2

loads of the lumber away today. Very warm all day.

Saturday, July 21

Partly cloudy. Finished the work at the Cresson Supply Co. stable this a.m. Ed Henry and John D. Kise helping. Gave them credit on their mill account for the work done. At Sunday school treat at the church p.m. At IORM in eve. Eli Warfel hauled 1 load of lumber today. Very warm. Showers in p.m.

Sunday, July 22

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. Mr. Charles asked Blanche to take her class back again that he had taken from her (young men) some time ago, but she would not. There has only been one of the class in attendance except one or two Sundays since. There was no occasion for the change. About home p.m. At church in eve. Very warm. Rain p.m.

Monday, July 23

Clear. At Lancaster. Wife along. Attended to some business and attended the County Committee meeting. Primary will be held on Saturday, 28th, p.m. Warm all day.

Tuesday, July 24

Partly cloudy. Hoeing tobacco, John C. and I all day. It almost does me up. Blanche was asked to play the wedding march tomorrow at the wedding of Miss Annie, daughter of Frank and Mary Warfel. Very pleasant day.

Wednesday, July 25

Working about home all day mowing yard and in eve. went to John H. Kendig's and insured the building on the old Abrm Myers' farm near tan yard. Blanche attended the wedding of Annie Warfel. Had a very nice time.

Thursday, July 26

Working about home all day and at mill a

short time. John Zercher harrowing tobacco and he and Danl Eckman hoeing. Very warm all day.

Friday, July 27

Clear. Went to Safe Harbor to help load lumber at stable. Gave Mart H. Groff vacation for balance of week, a.m. Rec'd word of the death of a Slav at St. Joseph Hospital, Lancaster. Went in and bought body out. Will bury at Mt. Zion tomorrow by order of H.S. Kerbaugh. John C. Zercher and Danl Eckman finished hoeing tobacco this eve. Warm all day.

Saturday, July 28

Partly cloudy. John C. Zercher went to Lancaster early this morning for casket at Ex. Office and lined same, a.m. I went to Safe Harbor to help load balance of lumber of Cresson Supply stable and sent it down on farm for repairing, a.m. Buried the remains of Michael Granaivich (a Slav) at the Mt. Zion cemetery, Conestoga, aged 21 years at one o'clock p.m. Four of his countrymen being present and paid for his burial, etc., \$40.00. Attended the county primary this p.m. Very small vote polled. 79 votes. I rec'd 61 for County Committee, Manor. Son Charles returned home from Seward this eve. where he had been working. Very warm.

Sunday, July 29

Cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. About home. Dr. Good and wife spent part of p.m. with us. At home in eve. David H. Hess, wife and Miss Campbell spent the eve. here. Damp all day. Raining partly all of p.m. and eve.

Monday, July 30

Partly clear. At Lancaster. Took the primary returns in and attended to other business. Returned home at 3:45 p.m. Very warm all day.

Tuesday, July 31

Partly clear. At mill and at Kerbaugh office, etc. Fetched horse along up to harrow tobacco tomorrow. Very warm all day. So close and sultry.

Wednesday, August 1

Partly cloudy. Went to Ephrata in company with Amos Graver to meet the board of directors of the Northern Mutual Fire Insurance Co. to adjust matters with regard to the loss of a cow by lightning. He received his pay and very well pleased. Returned home about 4:45 p.m. John C. harrowed tobacco all day. Not near so warm today.

Thursday, August 2

Cloudy. At mill all day posting books. Paid Jack Oakwood \$1.25 for working in tobacco yesterday. Heavy rain this morning. Raining partly all day and this eve. Not near so warm.

Friday, August 3

Partly clear. Working about home. Took early dinner and wife and I drove to Lancaster and took the 1:30 car for Lititz to attend the outing of the Lancaster County Funeral Directors Association. Went by special trolley car and returned. Spent a very pleasant time and had a grand supper at the Warwick House. Chicken and waffles. Everything fine. Returned home at 11 o'clock p.m. Very warm all day.

Saturday, August 4

Partly clear. Working about home all day. Charles has horse and carriage to go to Stehman Sunday school picnic. At IORM in eve. Very warm all day.

Sunday, August 5

Partly clear. Ther: 88. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Very warm all day.

Monday, August 6

Partly clear. At Lancaster. A.S. Benedict along. Attended a meeting of the County Committee. We re-elected Saml W. Diller chairman again. Hon Mr. Houck candidate for internal affairs was present and made a very good speech. He is certainly a gifted speaker, a.m. Gave Saml Baker a note for \$50.00 balance due on the Mart H. Groff horse. He not being in Lancaster, the note being due today. Baker promised to return the Groff note to me tomorrow. Very warm all day.

Tuesday, August 7

Partly clear. Picking apples, helping to pare, etc., and boiling butter (apple and pear), partly all day. Did not hear from Saml Baker with regard to return of the Groff note. Sent check to G.N. Reynolds for Insurance due tomorrow. Warm all day.

Wednesday, August 8

Partly cloudy. Working about home a.m. Went to mill p.m. Charles was at Pequea to see about work with Kerbaugh people this a.m. and was ordered to be on hand tomorrow morning. Rain p.m. Very warm a.m. Some cooler p.m. and eve.

Thursday, August 9

Partly cloudy. At mill all day posting books, etc. Charles started to work this morning with the Kerbaugh people. At IOOF this eve. Not near so warm today.

Friday, August 10

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster. Blanche along. Attended a meeting of the executive committee of the County Committee outlining the work planned, etc., for the coming campaign. Damp. Light rain a.m. No rain p.m. Not near so warm.

Saturday, August 11

Partly cloudy. Working about home all day

helping wife and Mrs. Keene to make chicken corn soup for IORM annual supper this eve. At IORM in eve. A good attendance and a nice supper. Warm all day.

Sunday, August 12

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching by Rev Shelley a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Much cooler all day.

Monday, August 13

Partly clear. Was called out this morning about 1:30 by W.R. Boyd to come to his home at Safe Harbor and take charge of the remains of his little daughter, she having died of cholera euphantine. Went down and embalmed body and arranged funeral for Wednesday at 9:30 at House. Services there. Working about home. Went to Safe Harbor p.m. to look after body and stopped at mill. B.F. Hookey and I went to Lancaster in eve. to attend an IORM meeting. Returned home at 11:55 p.m. Brought casket along out from Lancaster (Harrisburg). Very pleasant all day.

Tuesday, August 14

Partly clear. Working about home. Lined casket, etc., a.m. Went to Boyd's with stools and at mill, etc., p.m. and at home in eve. Chas not working today, he not feeling well. Warmer again but pleasant.

Wednesday, August 15

Clear. Attending funeral of Darsy Katherine, infant daughter of Wesley R. and Joanna J. Boyd at Safe Harbor. Born 2-13-06. Died 8-13-06. Aged 6 months. Rev John Core preached from Matt 18x2-3 & 4. Bearer: Self. 5 carriages. Services at home. Buried at Reformed cemetery, Conestoga Centre, a.m. \$25.00, cash. Went back for dinner by request of family. Took stools away. Stopped at mill and then home. Rec'd word of the death of Milton S. Henry's child this eve. Went down and embalmed same and

arranged for funeral Friday at 1 and 2 p.m. at Green Hill church. At home in eve. Warm all day.

Thursday, August 16

Partly clear. Working about home a.m. Took roughbox to cemetery, Green Hill and at home p.m. Very pleasant all day

Friday, August 17

Partly cloudy. Working about home a.m. Attending funeral of Jonas B., infant son of Milton and Sallie Henry. Born June 12, 1906. Died August 15, 1906. Aged 2 months and 3 days. Rev Behney preached from St. Mark 10+14. Bearer: Self. 8 carriages. No large funeral. \$10.00. At home in eve. Warm all day. Very pleasant in eve.

Saturday, August 18

Partly cloudy. Working about home and at mill a.m. Took Blanche and Miss Alice Campbell to M. E. S.S. picnic and went to trolley and fetched Miss Mary and Emma Bruner and a lady friend along up and went out to the woods and spent a short time at IORM. Warm all day.

Missing pages for August 19 and 20

Tuesday, August 21

Partly clear. Working about home a.m. At mill p.m. At home in eve. Very warm and very dusty. Heavy thunder gust in the east and fine shower here.

Wednesday, August 22

Partly clear. Went to Pequea and McCall's Ferry to see the Kerbaugh people on business and to see the sights of the river a.m. Went to Rawlinsville Camp after dinner. Saw Blanche and Mrs. Keene. They seem to enjoy it. It is reported that Mr. Cady is drowned at Shenk's Ferry.

Thursday, August 23

Partly clear. About home all day. At IOOF in eve. David Frey Jr. is reported killed on the low grade freight road while flagging a train. He stepped in front of another near Star Rock. He was to be married this eve. is the report. Very warm all day.

Friday, August 24

Partly cloudy. Working about home all day. Very warm early this morning but got much cooler about 9 o'clock. Great change in the weather.

Saturday, August 25

Cloudy. Working about home and at mill a.m. Working about home p.m. At IORM and AOK of MC in eve. Cool all day and damp. Light rain.

Sunday, August 26

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. About home p.m. and eve. Cool and very damp a.m. Cool and pleasant p.m. and eve

Monday, August 27

Partly clear. Went to Lancaster. Attended to business. My horse got lame on the way in. Cannot account for it. Had Dr. Wiggins to look at him and gave me a wash for the limb and paid him \$1.00 for same. Returned home about 5 p.m. Looked as though we would have a very heavy storm this eve. but it went east of us. Had a very nice rain and raining still at 8:30 p.m. Settled with Fairchild for the Sunbury Burial Case Co. to date. Paid H.K. Keller on account of car load of feed not in yet. Very warm p.m.

Tuesday, August 28

Partly cloudy. At mill helping to unload car corn and oats, a.m. Rec'd word by phone of the death of Bro John J. Good at his

daughter's, Mrs. Bortzfield, #430 S. Queen Street, Lancaster. Went in and laid out and embalmed body and made arrangements for funeral at 11 o'clock at house and 2 o'clock at Reformed church, Conestoga Centre on Friday. Returned home about 8:45 p.m. Rather damp a.m. Warm p.m. and cool in eve.

Wednesday, August 29

Partly cloudy. Went to Lancaster by trolley to see after body and get burial permits for the funeral. Came home by stage and brought casket, etc., along out. Damp and raining partly all day.

Thursday, August 30

Partly clear. Lining casket, etc. Took box to cemetery and busy all a.m. Took casket, etc., to Lancaster and put body in. Ready for tomorrow funeral. John C. Zercher was along. Body looks very nice. Returned home about 7:30 p.m. Very warm all day.

Friday, August 31

Partly clear. Attending funeral of John J. Good. Born October 4, 1829. Died August 28, 1906. Aged 76-10-24. Revs Mr. Shelley and Glass spoke on the following scriptures respectively. Rev. 22+14 and Acta 7+60. Large funeral. 16 carriages including 3 cabs from Lancaster. \$75.00.

Saturday, September 1

Partly clear. Working about home all day. Very busy. Had a postcard surprise for Blanche this eve. She received 258 this eve. Some very fine and from a great many places. At IORM in eve. Pleasant all day.

Sunday, September 2

Partly clear. At home. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. At church in eve. Wife, Charles and Blanche went to Saml Eby's on a visit and

spent the day. They had a very pleasant time. Pleasant day all day.

Monday, September 3

Partly cloudy. Ther: 54. Working in tobacco suckering and cutting and hauling in all day. John C. Zercher and John Rhinier helping. Blanche still receives postcards. Very cool this morning. Warm during day. Rain. A heavy shower at noon.

Tuesday, September 4

Clear. Ther: 54. Working in tobacco all day cutting. John C. Zercher and John Rhinier helping. Blanche received some postcards this eve. She now has 295. Very cool this morning. Sun hot through middle of day.

Wednesday, September 5

Ther: 53. Working in tobacco all day. John C. Zercher and John Rhinier helping all day. Very warm at noon but quite cool in morning.

Thursday, September 6

Partly clear. Working in tobacco all day. John C. Zercher and John Rhinier not helping today on account of delivering feed at mill. Chas Kreider took out his potatoes on the John Urban property today. Yield fair. Christian Kendig died very unexpected at Safe Harbor this morning of heart failure. Warm all day.

Friday, September 7

Clear. Finished hauling in tobacco from upper patch this morning. John Rhinier helped. John C. Zercher is taking out his potatoes. Working about home all day. Very warm.

Saturday, September 8

Partly clear. Working about home and helped John C. Zercher to finish plowing out his potatoes a.m. Went to the mill p.m. and at AOK of MC in eve. Warm all day.

Sunday, September 9

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching

and at funeral of Christian Kendig of Safe Harbor. Born 1-30-1828. Died 9-6-1906. Aged 78-7-6. Rev Shenk of Mt. Joy preached from 2 Timothy 4 chap 6-7-8. Reformed Mennonite. He preached for 1-1/4 hours and the whole service over 1-1/2 hours. About home p.m. Charles had Mr. Collins with him over night last night. Wife out to see Mrs. Jos M. Witmer this eve. Very warm all day.

Monday, September 10

Partly clear. At Lancaster attending to business. While there I rec'd word by phone of the accidental death of Stone Hill Jacob Hoak's grandson. Was killed by cars on C & PD R.R. near Safe Harbor by trying to jump freight train. Was conscious to the end. Went down and brought body from Pequea to my place. Washed and dressed it and then took it to his grandfather's home. Funeral on Thursday at 9 and 10:30 at Letort. While at Pequea rec'd word of the finding of W.H. Cady's body on the rocks in the river below Shenk's Ferry. Drowned 3 weeks ago. Body in a very bad condition. Identified body by his watch and charm. Brought body up and ship to Muncey. Very warm.

Tuesday, September 11

Partly clear. Working in shop a.m. and part of p.m. Lined the Hess casket and done what I could with the Cady body which is very much decomposed. Ordered a copper lined casket for the remains of W.H. Cady. Very busy all day. Went over to Hoak's this eve. to look after body. Did not find it in very good condition. Very much swollen. Cannot understand it. Did all I could to hold same. Hope for better results in the morning. Wife and Blanche went to Lancaster to see the AOK of MC parade. Brought Blanche from car this eve. Very warm and sultry all day.

Wednesday, September 12

Partly clear. Met Prof Fred Fisher at trolley

this morning and took him over to Hoak's to see after the body of Milton H. Hess. It is swollen very much. He said I did all that could be done to preserve same and that he could not account for it swelling. Took body of Wm H. Cady to Lancaster and shipped it to Muncy, Pa. While there received word of the death of Landis L. Miller infant daughter, Irene. Will bury tomorrow at 4 p.m. at Herr's church (Dunkard), Manor Twp. Went to Safe Harbor to meet Dr. Good to get a death certificate for the Miller child. Took stools to Hoak's and looked after body, which seems to be holding its own. Very warm all day. Very good rain last night. Heavy thunder.

Thursday, September 13

Partly cloudy. Attending funeral of Milton H. Hess. Born June 7, 1883. Died September 10, 1906. Aged 23-3-3. Rev Abrm Witmer spoke from Job 10-1 and Rev Hunt made a few very fitting remarks concerning his being called to Pequea for to pray for the young man. He spoke very decided with regard to the young man's death and being prepared. Bearers: H.G. Warfel, Adam R. Good, Frank L. Foutz, John Stoner. 13 carriages. \$45.00. Body was better than I expected. At Landis L. Miller's to bury the remains of their infant. Born September 6 and died September 10, 1906. Aged 6 days. No services. Buried at Herr's church. \$5.00. Warm all day.

Friday, September 14

Partly clear. Went to Jacob Hoak's for stools, etc. and cleaning up about home and helping to cut tobacco a.m. Working in tobacco till about 4. Threshers came to thresh out rye. Helping to set up the machine. Rec'd word by phone to come to Culley's for the body of a man who was murdered there. Drove to Pequea and got shifter (through Mr. Cliff) to run down and bring body up. Met Charles there. He likes his work. This Slav was shot by

a fellow countryman. They having a few words with regard to occupying a shanty. He was shot 5 times. Did not get home with body till after 1 o'clock a.m. Warm during day. Cool this eve.

Saturday, September 15

Helping to thresh out rye. Finished about 8:40 a.m. Rec'd 32 bus rye and about 4,300 pounds straw. He (Hoak) charged me \$7.00. Working about home p.m. John C. Zercher and I went to Lancaster to bring out casket, p.m. Very much cooler.

Sunday, September 16

Partly clear. Dr. I.M. Witmer, coroner of Lancaster county, Dr. Harburger and Dr. Lingenfelter for the Kerbaugh people held an autopsy on the body here at my place. They found 2 of the balls. Working. Busy all day at fixing up body and placed it in casket. David Thomas was buried today at River Corner. Much cooler all day.

Monday, September 17

Partly clear. Went to Lancaster on business and attending a meeting of the executive committee of the County Committee. Arranged for the funeral of the Slav for tomorrow morning at Safe Harbor Roman Catholic cemetery. Abram B. Harnish died very unexpected this morning about 10 o'clock. Found dead in bed. Very pleasant day.

Tuesday, September 18

Partly clear. Went to Lancaster for permit early this morning. Returned and buried Adam Kobora, the Slav that was shot last Friday. Aged about 40 years. Father O'Donnell of Lancaster held the burial services at the Roman Catholic Church. Bearers: unknown. 4 Slavs. I feel very sorry for his wife and 4 small children, the smallest 2 months old. I paid the Priest for his services and the grave, \$12.50, a.m. \$40.00. Helped to haul in tobacco, etc.,

p.m. Paid Frank Henry \$1.50 for digging grave for Slav. Very warm all day.

Wednesday, September 19

Partly clear. Finished hauling in tobacco from scaffold, etc., a.m. Went to Saml Duke's sale this p.m. Not much personal property sold. Real estate was up to \$835.00, but would not sell at that figure. At home in eve. Paid Chester Kreider \$2.50 in full to date for helping in tobacco and thrashing. Christian Dietrich's barn was burned this eve. Supposed to have been set on fire. Very warm all day.

Thursday, September 20

Partly clear. At mill all day. Posting books. Busy. Had an offer of 14 cents and 4 cents for my tobacco today. Did not sell. At IOOF in eve. Very warm all day.

Friday, September 21

Clear. At mill all day posting books. Warm all day.

Saturday, September 22

Partly cloudy. At mill all day posting books, etc. At IORM in eve. Warm all day.

Sunday, September 23

Clear. At Sunday school and preaching and afterward a Consistory meeting for the purpose of selecting a janitor for the church. Bro. Yentzer and I were appointed a committee to see Bro. Amos Fralich with regard to the matter, a.m. About home and at Mrs. Bennett's and Harry Martin's in p.m., wife having been at Mrs. Bennett's for dinner. At home in eve. Very pleasant day.

Monday, September 24

Partly clear. At Lancaster. Blanche along. Bought things for home and shop. Paid for all. Quite cool all day. Coldest morning of the season.

Tuesday, September 25

Clear. Ther: 45. At mill all day. Working at books. Car of corn and oats arrived at Safe Harbor today. About 7:30 o'clock a fire was seen in the direction of Safe Harbor and found later to be the barn of Edw Fenstermacher at Pittsburg near the place that the barn of Christ Dietrich was burned. Supposed to set on fire. Cool all day.

Wednesday, September 26

Partly clear. At mill all day unloading car corn and oats. Danl Martin and Martin Smith helped. Paid them this eve. for same, \$1.25 each. Sold the tobacco on farm, at mill and at home for 15 and 4 per pound to Jacob B. Harnish. It is reported today that John S. Clark and a man from Harrisburg were drowned in the river at Shenk's Ferry while out fishing. Pleasant all day.

Thursday, September 27

Partly cloudy. At mill and out collecting mill accounts. Did fairly well. At IOOF in eve but no meeting. Pleasant all day.

Friday, September 28

Partly clear. At Lancaster attending to some business. Paid Lancaster Trust Company \$100.00 on rent at mill by check. Heard Judge Hassler charge the jury on the road case between Mrs. Harriet Tripple and Conestoga Township for damages by water to her farm. The jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff (Mrs. Tripple) for \$464.89, which was not in accord with the charge of the judge. Pleasant all day.

Saturday, September 29

Partly clear. Working about and went to mill a.m. Working about cleaning up about barn, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve.

Sunday, September 30

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school. W.F. Bruner

and family and Mrs. Charles Warfel here a short time this a.m. About home. Rec'd word about 2:30 of the death of B. Frank Morton's child at Safe Harbor. At church in eve. Ezra Bortzfield, wife and son, Roy spent the eve with us. Cool all day. Light shower p.m. and eve

Monday, October 1

Cloudy. Went to Morton's to look after body and at mill a.m. At Lancaster for permit, etc., p.m. At home in eve. Sent check to Askill and Smith for bill to date, \$31.51. Damp and much cooler. Light rain p.m.

Tuesday, October 2

Partly cloudy. About home and went to attend the funeral of Samuel, infant son of B. Frank and Annie Morton. Born December 7, 1905. Died September 30, 1906. Aged 9 months and 23 days. Rev J.F. Hunt. Text, 2 Cor 5+1. Bearer: Self. 5 carriages. Very small attendance. \$15.00. Went to Lancaster in eve. and raised up the Chiefs of Canassatego Tribe #203. Bros. A.F. Martin, Martin Markley and Harry B. Waller went along. Returned home at 1:30 a.m. Pleasant all day.

Wednesday, October 3

Partly cloudy. Went to McCall's Ferry this morning to see Charles. Left Safe Harbor, at 8:30 a.m. and spent the day with Charles and look around the river and power plant works. Left for home at 5:30 p.m. and was met at Pequea by Mart H. Groff to go to R.K. Frey's to see after the body of his wife. Blanche had been up this morning and John had went up to Frey's and embalmed the body, so I will not go up till morning. Spent a very pleasant day with Charles. The funeral will be Saturday morning. Pleasant all day.

Thursday, October 4

Cloudy. Went to Frey's to look after body and

working about home all of a.m. and part of p.m. Went to Lancaster in eve to bring out casket for Mrs. Frey and went to Quarryville and raised up the Chiefs of Tucquan Tribe #329. Took Christ Urban along. I made the following appointments as Great Chiefs: G.J.S., Christ Urban. G.S.S., David R. Forbs., G.P., Hardy Girvin and myself G.S. I was very much pleased with my visit and found them a prosperous tribe and very hospitable. Left Quarryville at 10 p.m. Arrived home at 2:30 a.m. Raining partly all night.

Friday, October 5

Partly cloudy. Working about home lining casket, etc. Sent box to cemetery and stools to Frey's, a.m. Trimming peach trees, etc., p.m. At home in eve. Mrs. A.M. Charles and Mrs. Keene were here and talking over church work. Decided to do some work. Warmer today. Had a very heavy rain last night.

Saturday, October 6

Partly cloudy. Attending funeral of Mary K., wife of Ruben K. Frey. Born November 19, 1847. Died October 3, 1906. Aged 58-9-14. Rev Necht of the E. U. church preached from James 4-14. Bearers: Norman Christ, Alfred Herr, A. Kendig, and Ezra Manning. Friends. Walked to church. Large funeral. Casket, \$50.00. Blanket, \$5.00. \$55.00. At home balance of day. At IORM in eve. Raised up the Chiefs of #65 this eve. Raining partly all of a.m. and some in eve.

Sunday, October 7

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. About home p.m. At church in eve. Pleasant all day but cool.

Monday, October 8

Partly clear. At Lancaster attending to business, etc. Blanche along. Charles came home this p.m. from Cully's sick. Sent for Dr.

Good this eve. Says he has a high fever and must go to bed and keep very quiet. Cool all day. Heavy frost this morning in low places.

Tuesday, October 9

Cloudy. At mill posting books, etc., partly all day. Rec'd word this eve of the death of Sevvy Cooper (colored), Martic Forge. John C. went down and took charge of body. I will go down in the morning and make final arrangements for the funeral. Charles seems to be some better this p.m. Very stormy partly all day and much colder.

Wednesday, October 10

Partly clear. Went to Jerry Cooper's this morning to look after body and arranged for funeral for Friday at 10 a.m. at Conestoga Centre and from there took trolley to Pequea to see the H.S. Kerbaugh people about some accounts of mine and saw Charles Wallace with regard to Charles going to work for them again when able. Shall come as soon as possible, a.m. Went to Lancaster and fetched out small casket for the Cooper child, p.m. Cold raw wind all day and cold.

Thursday, October 11

Partly clear. Ther: 32. Rec'd word last night of the death of John Clark at the General Hospital. His brother, Henry was here. Went in this morning and brought the body out to Edw Duke's and embalmed same. Funeral will be held Sunday morning at 9 at the house and 10 at M. E. church, this place. Lined casket, etc., for the Cooper child, etc., p.m. Cold raw wind all day.

Friday, October 12

Clear. Ther: 32. At Duke's early this morning looking after body and then to Cooper's attending funeral of Howard Bond, son of Howard Bond. Born April 11, 1904. Died October 9, 1906. Aged 2-5-28. Rev J.L. Hunt spoke from scripture, "God so loved." 8

carriages. Buried in colored cemetery, Conestoga Centre, a.m. Casket and shroud, \$25.00. Lined casket for Clark, which John C. brought from Lancaster this a.m. and I took box to cemetery and took stools to house in eve. Cold all day but pleasant.

Saturday, October 13

Ther: 30. Was called to Amos G. Shank's this morning to take charge of the body of their infant daughter, Amy. Funeral on Tuesday at 9 and 10 at River Corner Church and from there to Edw Duke's to look after body of John Clark. Found it all right. Working in shop, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve. John C. Zercher fell heir to a young son last night. A very welcome child, it being the first boy and they say it shall be named Andrew after me. Straw party came to Mrs. Sue J. Keene's this eve. They are planning on going to Boston while I am writing. Cold all day.

Sunday, October 14

Attending funeral of John G. Clark. Born July 14, 1861. Died October 10, 1906. Aged 45-3-4. Rev J.F. Hunt preached from Joshua 1+11. Bearers: Wm H. Barber, Lewis C. Edwards, Jacob J. Stokes, Anthony J. Flick, Michael Haverstick, Andrew J. Shenberger, all of them fellow workers in the foundry at Lancaster. 15 carriages. Large funeral. Casket, \$75.00. Blanket, \$2.50. Returned to house for dinner. Corpse was fine. Very natural and the casket was one of the best. Extension bar handles, tee handles on end. At M. E. Church in eve. and drove down to Shank's to look after body. Very pleasant day.

Monday, October 15

Clear. Took box to O. M. cemetery, River Corner for Shank child and to Safe Harbor for feed, etc., a.m. Lined casket and went over to Duke's for stools, etc., p.m. went down to

Shenk's in eve to look after body. Pleasant all day.

Tuesday, October 16

Partly clear. Attending funeral of Amy Vergia, infant daughter of Amos G. and Annie Shank. Born April 28, 1906. Died October 13, 1906. Aged 5 months and 15 days. Revs Aaron Harnish and Jacob Thomas preached from 2 Kings 4-21. Bearers: Self. 19 carriages. Very nice corpse. Looked as though it slept. \$10.50. Returned to house for dinner and brought stools along home this p.m. Working about home. At church in eve. Rev Mr. Doehr of Rohrerstown preached from Mark 7-32 & 33. A very able and edifying sermon. Mrs. Jefferson Davis died today. Very pleasant day. Much warmer and looks for rain in eve.

Wednesday, October 17

Was called to Jacob B. Stehman's this morning to take charge of his body. He was found dead in bed. They called for breakfast and received no reply. His son, Harry, went to his bed and found him dead. Supposed to have died about midnight. Coroner I.M. Witmer held an investigation and decided that the cause of death was apoplexy. Embalmed body. The funeral to be held on Friday at 12 o'clock at house and 1 o'clock at the Stone Church, New Danville. Will furnish a casket, same as Amos McAllister, Sr., Millersville. Working about home balance of day. At church in eve. Rev J.F. Hunt of M. E. Church spoke very ably. Damp all day. Looks very much for rain. Cool.

Thursday, October 18

Went over to look after body. Keeping nicely. Sent John C. to Lancaster for casket and permit, a.m. John C. took box to cemetery and stools to house and I trimmed and lined casket. 6 oxidized handles on outside and cashmere lining inside. Wanted everything very good but plain. Got everything ready for

tomorrow morning. Loaded casket, etc., p.m. At church in eve. Rev Mr. Shelley preached. Rev Mr. Glass not being present on account of damp weather. Judge Livingston died today. Aged 85 years. Damp all day. Looks very much for rain.

Friday, October 19

Cloudy. Attending funeral of Jacob B. Stehman. Born August 18, 1825. Died October 17, 1906. Aged 81-1-29. Rev Jacob Thomas spoke at house and opened services at church. Rev Abrm B. Herr preached from Matt 24-44. Bearers: Isaac Hoak, Martin H. Hess, Simon Warfel, Ezra Herr, Michael and Amos Lefever. 35 teams. Large funeral considering the weather. A very nice corpse. Looked as though he slept. Family very well pleased. \$65.00. Miss Grim of Millersville made the shroud. Much pleased with her. Took dinner before going to church. Raining partly all day.

Saturday, October 20

Cloudy. Working about home a.m. Brought stools from Stehman's and went to Safe Harbor to H.M. Stauffer's. Paid bill for Emma Wise and ordered 2 tons of soft pea coal for her. At mill. Brought feed along up for horses and cattle. At IORM in eve. No meeting. Should have went to a gathering at Amos Graver's but on account of the rain did not go. Judge Livingston buried today. Cool all day.

Sunday, October 21

Cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching and Holy Communion a.m. About home p.m. Wife, Blanche and I at Ezra Bortzfield's for supper and spent the eve very pleasantly. Very damp and raining all day.

Monday, October 22

Cloudy. At Lancaster by stage. Rather busy all day. Quite damp all day. Light rain.

Tuesday, October 23

Cloudy. At mill all day posting books, etc. Held our political meeting this eve. I called the meeting to order and the following served as officers: Pres., H.W. Hess. Vice Pres., M.B. Good. J.B. Urban, Harry Jenkins, B.H. Montgomery, B.F. Hill, Amos Sterneman, B.G. Markley, John M. Grass, Secy. A.S. Benedict, Alfred Kendig, A.F. Bortzfield, John H. Eshleman, B.F. Hookey, H.M. Stauffer, M.B. Jones, Geo Sangrey, Hon John H. Landis, Col John M. Groff, esq, S.V. Hosterman were the speakers and did very creditably. Our band furnished the music. Paid them \$10.00 for same. A grand turnout of the voters. Very damp all day.

Wednesday, October 24

Cloudy. At mill all day posting books, etc. At home in eve. Wife and Blanche went to A.M. Charles' to arrange for the oyster supper for Saturday eve. Damp all day.

Thursday, October 25

At mill posting books all day. At IOOF in eve. Pleasant day. Cooler in eve.

Friday, October 26

Clear. Cleaning the yard, raking, etc., all day. This is certainly a job. At F & A.M. at Millersville in eve. Very pleasant day. Cooler in eve.

Saturday, October 27

Partly clear. Working about home a.m. Went to mill p.m. Rec'd word in eve. of the death of David H. Mellinger's infant son. At IORM in eve. and afterward at oyster supper at A. M. Charles'. Heavy storm in eve and rain later.

Sunday, October 28

Partly clear. Lining casket, etc., a.m. Attended burial, etc., of infant son of David H. Mellinger at Creswell. Died immediately after birth. Not named. White casket and box.

Buried at Creswell Evangelical cemetery about 3:30. \$12.00. Had to drive to Washington Borough for a burial permit. This certainly does not look right. At church this eve. Mrs. O. Bruner's brother, Mr. Hartman, preached for us. Quite a young man. Pleasant a.m. Much cooler and rather stormy p.m.

Monday, October 29

Partly clear. At Lancaster partly all day. Cool all day.

Tuesday, October 30

Partly clear. At mill. At John E Herr's, Rock Hill attending a political meeting. Amos Graver along. Pleasant day but cool.

Wednesday, October 31

Cloudy. At Lancaster by stage. Rec'd word in p.m. of the death of two of Kerbaugh's men at the St. Joseph Hospital, Lancaster. John C. brought team in and we took the bodies out. Raining nearly all day and cool.

Thursday, November 1

Partly clear. At Safe Harbor at mill a.m. Went to Lancaster p.m. and eve in company with J.W. Morrison, Aldus M. Charles, John Z. Wade, Benj B. Rummel, Martin B. Good, B.H. Montgomery, Christ Urban, Landis Graver, Amos S. Benedict, Harry Jenkins, Edw Douts, A.F. Martin and others. We had the pleasure of shaking hands with Edw S. Stuart and others. Went to Fulton Opera House in eve to hear the addresses. Had a pass for stage and secured one for Morrison and Charles and took them along. A grand meeting. Gave them all passes for trolley fares. Cold all day but fine weather.

Friday, November 2

Clear. At mill unloading car corn a.m. At home p.m. John C. posted up large posters for the Republican Party in this township for

me and I secured W.W. Bones to do same in Indian town district of Manor Twp. tomorrow. Attention was called yesterday to the fact that Saml Frantz of Roherstown was in this place hunting a man to take charge of the Emery vote in this township, but failed so far as we know. Unloaded car corn at mill.

Saturday, November 3

Partly clear. Working about home and at mill a.m. At home p.m. At IORM in eve.

Sunday, November 4

Clear. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. Went to Pequea to see the Kerbaugh people about burying their men that I have here. Will bury them tomorrow. Saw Charles. He is getting along very nicely. At Missionary meeting in the church in eve. Pleasant all day.

Monday, November 5

Partly clear. At Lancaster by trolley on business. At A. A. Oney Hotel in eve. attending a political meeting. Christ Urban dug graves in Mt. Zion cemetery and John C. Zercher buried the 2 bodies that I had here since last Wednesday. They kept very nicely. \$76.00. Very pleasant day.

Tuesday, November 6

Clear. At the polls all day. Working busily for the straight Republican ticket. Total votes, 333. Straight, 288, Emery, 41, Cartel, 3. Congress Cassel, 288, Wickersham, 32. I am certainly highly pleased with the people of this township, Old Conestoga. I am happy. It looks as though Stuart was our next governor. Beautiful day.

Wednesday, November 7

Partly clear. At mill. Rec'd word of the death of a colored man at Harry Souders' house, Pequea, a.m. Mr. Herr here. Was to hold a meeting to demonstrate and talk on the

advisability of spraying, etc., but he did not on account of stormy weather and so few being present. He gave us a talk on spraying, etc., in parlor. John C. went down to Pequea and embalmed body of Wm Greene, the colored man that died there and arranged for funeral on Friday or Saturday. I am not very well. Have a very heavy cold. Cold raw wind all day.

Thursday, November 8

Partly clear. About home all of a.m. on account of my cold. Went to Pequea and made final arrangements for funeral on Saturday at 9 o'clock at house and burial at colored cemetery, Conestoga Centre. They are very poor and will bury cheap. Cold not much better. At IOOF in eve. Very pleasant day but cold raw wind.

Friday, November 9

Partly clear. Working about home a.m. John C. went to Lancaster and brought out coffin and case for tomorrow's funeral. Working about home p.m. Cold some better. Very pleasant all day.

Saturday, November 10

Partly cloudy. Attending funeral of William Greene, who died at Henry Souders' near Pequea in his 94th year (supposed). No services. No one but widow, daughter, son and son-in-law and Henry Souders' at the house. John C. and I carried him from house to undertaker's wagon. Buried him in colored cemetery, Conestoga Centre. \$20.00. They expect to hold services in York County, his former home, on Sunday the 18th, a.m. Went to Mart Eshleman's sale, Rock Hill. Bought a few things and from there to mill and then home. At IORM in eve. Cool and damp all day.

Sunday, November 11

Cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m.

Charles at home all day. Mr. Alfred Collins here with him overnight and took dinner with us. At church in eve. Raining partly all day. Very damp and cooler.

Monday, November 12

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster. Wife and Blanche along. Returned home about 4 p.m. Much colder. Cold raw wind all day.

Tuesday, November 13

Partly cloudy. H.H. Kurtz, surveyor, John C. Zercher and myself went to ore mine farm and put in line stones at all points not having them. Finished this eve. Rec'd word from the H.S. Kerbaugh people to come to Culley for a body in the morning. Will go down by early trolley. Cold all day. Several snow flurries.

Wednesday, November 14

Clear. Went to Pequea at 6:25 by trolley. Took shifter for Culley's. Arrived there at about 9:35. Went and brought body to station and fetched it to Pequea by passenger train. Met wife, E.L. Bortzfield and wife, Aldus M. Charles and wife, Amos Graver and wife, Mrs. Wm E. Keene and Wm Bitts and went to McCall's Ferry to see the sights and Charles. Took dinner at Trades Hotel, all of us. I paid the bill, \$3.50. Had a fine dinner. Walked to Cullies and back in p.m. Feeling very tired. John brought body up here to shop. Will hold funeral on Friday. Very beautiful day.

Thursday, November 15

Cloudy. Working about home all a.m. Went to mill p.m. At Safe Harbor and brought feed along up. Began snowing last night and snowed partly all day. Snowing heavy this evening. Cold raw wind all day.

Friday, November 16

Attending funeral of Augustine Tonili, the Italian that was injured on Monday. Aged 28

years. Rev Father Milner of Sacred Heart Church, Lancaster, held mass at Safe Harbor Church for same. Between 25 and 30 of his friends attended the services, a.m. \$52.50. Working about home all of p.m. Ground covered with snow this morning. Cold raw wind all day. Partly clear and cold.

Saturday, November 17

Partly cloudy. Working about home a.m. Went to Eli Herr's to take survey for insurance, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve. Cold raw air all day.

Sunday, November 18

Cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching by Rev Shelley a.m. Went to Harry Jenkins, wife, Blanche and myself for dinner and spent part of p.m. there. At home in eve. Cow dropped calf this morning (the Markley cow). Cool and damp all day. Rain in eve.

Monday, November 19

Cloudy. At Lancaster. Wife along. John Keener, the fire bug of Manor township, plead guilty and was sentenced to 9 years and 6 months. Imprisonment in the Eastern Penitentiary. He admitted burning A.R. Witmer and Christ Dietrich and Edw Fenstermacher's barns. Damp all day and cool.

Tuesday, November 20

Partly cloudy. At mill all day posting books. Bro Emanuel took cow and calf away this eve. Sold them to him for \$35.00. Cool damp air all day.

Wednesday, November 21

Cloudy. Working about home stripping tobacco, etc. John C. helping. Harry Hoak came here to shred corn fodder but entirely too damp. Maris H. Groff bought a small heifer for me today and brought it here this eve. Weighs 480 lbs. Paid \$15.00 for same.

Wife is 47 years old today. We are married 26 years today. How time flies. Very damp all day.

Thursday, November 22

Partly clear. Went to Baumgardner's to see Rev Mr. Baird about a little girl that was brought there for us if we wish to take it to raise as our own. We found a very pretty little girl awaiting us and we brought it along home. Its name is Jennie Clark. About 6 years old. Auburn hair, long curls. She seems to be very nice. I think we will like her very much. Poor child has neither father or mother. Mr. Baird says you can have her absolutely if you wish, a.m. Shredded corn fodder p.m. Harry Hoak did it. Paid him \$3.50 for same and \$7.00 for threshing and bailing straw some time ago. Colder this eve.

Friday, November 23

Partly clear. Went to mill to post books. Rec'd word about 10 a.m. of the death of John H. Sourbeer's oldest son. Went over and washed and shaved him and then went down after dinner and embalmed body. Funeral to be on Monday at 9 and 10 a.m. At mill and back home. Ordered casket, etc. Cool but pleasant day.

Saturday, November 24

Partly clear. At Safe Harbor looking after body and took stools to house for funeral and at mill. John C. went to Lancaster for casket a.m. John C. took roughbox to cemetery, etc. I went to Lancaster for permit and on other business, p.m. At IORM in eve. Pleasant day.

Sunday, November 25

At Sunday school a.m. About home. Amos Graver and wife and Wm Grile and wife spent the p.m. with us and went to the Sourbeer's to look after body and found it all right. At church in eve. Preaching by Rev Shelley. Very pleasant day.

Monday, November 26

Partly clear. Attending funeral of Hiram L., eldest son of John H and Lizzie Sourbeer, Safe Harbor. Born February 22, 1888. Died November 23, 1906. Aged 18-9-1. Rev Mart Groff spoke from Amos 4-12 and Rev Troutman from St. John 11-28. Rev J.L. Hunt read scripture lesson. Bearers: Harry Groff, Elmer Warfel, Raymond Markley, Wm Brady, Lewis Brenner, Chas Landis. 15 carriages. Large funeral. Fine flowers. I furnished a fine black broadcloth casket, black shroud and blanket. \$60.00. Family very well pleased. John C. along, a.m. At mill for feed and fetched stools, etc., along home, p.m. Damp raw air all day.

Tuesday, November 27

Partly clear. Butchering. Mart F. Good, butcher. John C. helped. Hog weighed 396 pounds. Very nice one. Annie Good helped wife. Very stormy. Cold raw wind all day.

Wednesday, November 28

Partly clear. At mill all day posting books, etc. John Sourbeer paid for son's funeral and old account to date in full. Nice day. Rather cool.

Thursday, November 29

Partly cloudy. Thanksgiving Day. Blanche and I drove to McCall's Ferry to visit Charles. Found him well and rather busy. Miss Eshleman went down by train. We all took dinner with him. He and a friend of his, Jack Elmer, board themselves at his cominsary. Blanche made the dinner for us. Spent a pleasant time together. Charles sent two turkeys along with us. We left there at 3:30 for home arriving at 6 o'clock. Very stormy and quite cold.

Friday, November 30

Partly clear. At mill all day posting books, etc. Cold raw wind.

Saturday, December 1

Partly cloudy. At mill posting books, etc., till 3 p.m. Returned home. At IORM in eve. Saw fire in east near Strasburg, reported a Mr. Brackbill's barn. Cause as yet unknown. W.R. Good, Millersville, formerly of Rock Hill Hotel, is in a very critical condition having been sick for some time. Quite moderate a.m. Much colder p.m. and very stormy in eve.

Sunday, December 2

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching by Rev Shelley a.m. Rev Shelley took dinner with us. At home p.m. and eve. Michael Charles was buried today. Cold raw air all day.

Monday, December 3

Partly cloudy. Went to Lancaster and to Roherstown to funeral of Fannie (Warfel) Hackman, a first cousin. She was in her 62nd year. The text was Rev 12-1. Returned to Lancaster at 12:15 p.m. Settled with Mr. Fairchild for the Sunbury Burial Case Co. to date. Attended to other business, etc. At church in eve. practicing for Christmas services. Blustery all day. Light rain and a few flakes of snow a.m. Much colder in eve.

Tuesday, December 4

Partly clear. Ther: 13. Working about home. Rec'd word from St. Joseph Hospital of the death of one of H.S. Kerbaugh's men. John C. went after body. I met Mr. John Wood at trolley and took him over the farm with a view of prospecting for iron ore, etc., by lease or perhaps by purchase. He seemed to be very well pleased. He took pieces of ore along. At home in eve. Cold raw wind all day. Coldest day of the season.

Wednesday, December 5

Partly cloudy. Went to mill but rec'd word by phone to come to Creswell to take charge of the remains of Jacob B. Shellenberger who

died about 9:30 a.m. Embalmed body and arranged for the funeral on Saturday, 9 and 10. Returned to mill and then home p.m. Pleasant day but cool. Moderated a great deal today. Snow and rain in eve.

Thursday, December 6

Partly cloudy. Working about home. Lining casket for Slav, etc., a.m. Went to Creswell to look after body, etc. At mill, etc., p.m. At IOOF in eve. No meeting but settled up account, etc. Rained last night and all of a.m. Partly clear and colder p.m. and eve. Getting colder.

Friday, December 7

Buried Milan Vukievits, aged about 22 years, #391 Pequea works, at the Mt. Zion cemetery. No services. A Slav. \$43.00. a.m. and took case to Creswell cemetery for Shellengerger funeral. Lining casket, etc., and went to Lancaster to St. Joseph Hospital and brought out the remains of an Italian. Very cold and stormy all day.

Saturday, December 8

Cloudy. Attending funeral of Jacob B. Shellenberger. Born 4-10-1842. Died 12-5-1906. Aged 64-8-25. Rev Buck, Evangelical minister, preached from St. John 11-25. Bearers: Edward Eshleman, Jacob Murray, Alfred Herr, Ruben Frey. Walked from house to church, but hauled body. Casket, \$40.00. Shroud, \$5.00. Blanket, \$2.50. Total, \$47.50. Came home for dinner. Italians here when arrived and made arrangements to hold funeral of Italian on Monday morning at 10 o'clock at Catholic cemetery, Safe Harbor. At IORM in eve. Very cold all day.

Sunday, December 9

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school and practicing for Christmas a.m. Took dinner at Martin F. Good's. Went to trolley at Good's

and fetched Charles home. We were all very glad to see him p.m. At church in eve. Cool and damp partly all day.

Monday, December 10

Cloudy. Attending funeral of Gillerto Odorisio. Aged 22 years. Buried at Safe Harbor Catholic cemetery. \$50.00 cash. Father Milner held mass for him. Had 4 cabs come out from Lancaster to haul friends from trolley to Safe Harbor and return. All took dinner at Kendig's Hotel and had horses fed, a.m. Rec'd word of the death of Amos W. Warfel's infant child. Will bury tomorrow at 2 p.m. at River Corner Church. Went to Lancaster by cab and got permit for burial of Warfel child. Came home by stage. Received pay for the Italian funeral. \$50.00. The entire cost was \$110.00. 4 cabs, \$24.00 for Safe Harbor. I paid all bills and his brother paid me. Raining partly all day.

Tuesday, December 11

Partly clear. Helped to take down some tobacco here at home. Went to Amos Warfel's and buried their infant daughter, Martha G. Warfel. Born December 4, 1906. Died December 10, 1906. Aged 6 days. No funeral. Buried at River Corner Church. \$6.00. Had A.F. Martin to shoe Joe horse all around with new shoes and paid for same, \$1.00. Rec'd word this eve. of the death of Henry Hammer, an old resident of Safe Harbor at John Henry's, his son-in-law. No arrangements for funeral yet. John C. along. Very much colder than this morning. Cold raw wind all day.

Wednesday, December 12

Partly clear. At mill partly all day. Went out collecting. Succeeded fairly well. Returned home in eve. Pleasant partly all day.

Thursday, December 13

Partly clear. Was called to Safe Harbor to take

charge of the remains of Benj K. Lawyer. John C. and I went down and washed body, etc. and embalmed same. Funeral on Sunday morning at 9 at house and 10 at Highville U. B. Church. Returned home and went to Lancaster. Blanche and Jennie went by stage but will come home with me. Brought shrouding, etc., along out. Returned home in eve. and went to Safe Harbor to attend to bodies. Pleasant. Not near so cold.

Friday, December 14

Partly clear. Working about shop lining casket and trimming same for Henry Hammer and Benj K. Lawyer. Took roughbox to the cemetery. Went to Safe Harbor to see after bodies in eve. Very pleasant.

Saturday, December 15

Partly cloudy. Attending funeral of Henry Hammer. Born October 18, 1818. Died December 11, 1906. Aged 88-1-27. Rev J.L. Hunt spoke from Numbers 23-10. Rev E. J. Bond spoke and Rev H.S. Shelley from Malachi 2-10. Rev Mr. Hunt spoke very highly of Mr. Hammer as a Christian. Bearers: Jos McDivitt, R.B. and E.H. Baston, Jos Moore. 8 carriages. Small funeral. \$51.00. Went to Lawyer's to see after body and took stools down. Fetched C. board, etc., from Henry's. At IORM in eve. Mr. Steigelman, son-in-law, paid for blanket, \$5.00. Sheaf of wheat, 50 cents. Damp all day. Moderating very much.

Sunday, December 16

Cloudy. Rec'd word this morning of the death of Mrs. Isaac Miller near Miller's mill. Attending funeral of Benj K. Lawyer. Born November 17, 1837. Died December 13, 1906. Aged 73-0-26. Rev Troutman of U. B. Church spoke from Isaiah 12-2. Bearers: of the GAR, Hiram Rhinier, Geo Kise, Noah Wade, James McDivitt. 12 carriages. Large funeral. \$45.00. Mart H. Groff took me from funeral over to take charge of the body of

Mrs. Isaac Miller which was not in very good shape. Very stout and starting to purge (dropsy). Came home about 4:30. Nothing to eat since this morning and tired. Wife, Blanche and Jennie over to Myer's for dinner. Sleeting and raining nearly all day.

Monday, December 17

Cloudy. Went to look after body of Mrs. Miller. Found it much better than expected. Did all I could to preserve it. John C. along, a.m. Taking down tobacco, etc., p.m. At home in eve. and very tired. Rec'd check from Geo W. Cliffs for part of the funeral expenses of W.H. Cady. Cold rain and sleet all day. Snowing in eve. Roads very muddy.

Tuesday, December 18

Partly clear. Lining coffin, etc., a.m. John C. took roughbox and stools up to house, a.m. Went to Lancaster for permit and attended to other business, p.m. At home in eve. Very much colder. Roads very rough.

Wednesday, December 19

Clear. Ther: 11. Attending funeral of Maria E. Miller. Born August 22, 1825. Died December 15, 1906. Aged 81-3-22. Rev Peter Ebersole opened the services in German. Rev Abrm B. Herr spoke from Revelations 14-12+13. Bearers: Henry, Christian and Benj Neff and Jacob Hostetter. Services at house and buried in the home cemetery on farm. Large funeral. \$45.00. Corpse kept very nicely. Brought stools along home in the undertaker's wagon. Phone paid to January 1, 1907. \$31.63, 65 cents toll. Very cold. Roads very rough.

Thursday, December 20

Cloudy. John C. and I stripping tobacco all day. Raining partly all day and freezing. Very slippery.

Friday, December 21

Partly cloudy. Wife and I at Lancaster. Bought

Christmas presents for family and several others. Paid 100.00 on Caldwell/Zercher note at Lancaster Trust Co. In nearly all day. Cold and rather damp.

Saturday, December 22

Partly clear. At mill all day. Bought 14 head of shoats of Amos Dietrich. He delivered them here and at mill. At IORM. No meeting. Hogs cost 8 at \$4.50 and 6 at \$4.00 apiece. \$60.00. Cold damp raw air all day.

Sunday, December 23

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. Presented my class with a book that cost 25 cents each for a Christmas present. Sue Eckman, Mary Pries, Addie Agon, Annie Warfel, Victoria Trissler, Bessie Benedict, Myrtle Good, Florence Trissler, Lizzie Smith and Lizzie and Minnie Graver. At home. Wife and Blanche and Jennie over to Hess's p.m. At church in eve. We are very sorry to hear this evening of the death of one of our former pastors, Rev D.W. Gerhard of Lancaster city this morning. Snow storm in morning. Very cold all day.

Monday, December 24

Partly clear. Ther: 8. Was called to Henry Warfel's, Red Hill, to take charge of the body of their daughter, Myrtle R., who died of the effects of being scalded, a.m. Took roughbox to the Clearfield M. E. cemetery near Union and brought Charles up from pottery plant, p.m. Rec'd the sad news about 8:15 of the death of uncle Christ B. Miller of apoplexy caused by driving in cold. He was well up to 6 p.m. and died about 7:45 p.m. I thought it could not be possible. John C. and I went over and washed and embalmed body. Returned home at late hour. Very cold all day.

Tuesday, December 25

Partly clear. Ther: 18. About home.

Presented John C. Zercher with an office chair for a Christmas present, a.m. Went over to look after body of Uncle Christ, p.m. About home in eve. Cold and stormy all day.

Wednesday, December 26

Partly clear. Attending funeral of infant daughter of Henry and Anna Mary (Ressler) Warfel, Myrtle R. Born March 9, 1906. Died December 24, 1906. Aged 8 months and 15 days. Rev J.L. Hunt spoke. 40 Psalm, last verse. 16 carriages. \$20.00. Returned home direct from church on account of getting coffin ready for Uncle Christ B. Miller. John C. went to Lancaster for coffin, etc. at Express Office and took stools over to house. Lining coffin in p.m. Went to Christmas entertainment at the church in eve. and afterward finished coffin, etc. Cold raw wind all day.

Thursday, December 27

Partly cloudy. Went to attend funeral of uncle Rev Christ B. Miller. Born June 3, 1847. Died December 24, 1906. Aged 59-6-21. Rev Enos Hess spoke at house. Revs Noah Z. Hess, Bishop Henry Hershey, Mark 13-37, and Levi Engle spoke from 2 Timothy 4-7 in regular church room and Revs Abrm Hess and Aaron Martin from Isaiah 9, 10 and 11. They spoke in basement of church at same time, the crowd being too large for upper room. Fully 1,000 people being present. Bearers: Revs Noah Z., Abrm Z. and Enos H. Hess and Levi Musser, all ministers of the Gospel. 32 carriages from house. \$40.00. Took dinner in basement of church. A sad funeral for me to attend. Rev Engle expressed my sentiments when he said "How we loved him". Great change in weather. Clear and cold in morning. Rain before noon and balance of day.

Friday, December 28

Cloudy. Working about home a.m. Went

down to Abrm H. Miller's. Took Amos Warfel along and took an insurance of his buildings jointly with the Northern Mutual Co. and about home p.m. and eve. Damp all day but not so cold.

Missing pages for December 29 and 30

Monday, December 31

Cloudy. At Lancaster by stage. Paid Lancaster Trust Co. on rent, \$100.00 and told them I would not be a renter for the mill at Safe Harbor for next year. Attended to other business and returned home by stage. Blanche gave a party to a few of her friends this eve. Miss Anna and Bessie Benedict, Mable and Susie Myers, Miss Clara Eshelman, Miss Leah Lefever, Mr. Roy Bortzfield and Martin Smith. They spent a very pleasant evening together. Raining all day.

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Another year gone into the past. A prosperous and busy year mixed with pleasures and sorrows, but thanks to God for His goodness and mercies.