

## Diary of Andrew J. Zercher

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Saturday, January 1

Cloudy. About home all day. Holiday in city. At IORM in eve. Serving C of R for Mr. Hookey. Raining and very damp partly all day. The opening of another year. The desire of my heart is that I may live still a better life and by God's help, I will try to do so.

Sunday, January 2

Cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching by Rev Korn of Lancaster. A very plain, inspiring sermon. Text, Philippians 1-4. "For me to live in Christ". Took dinner with us. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Fannie Shenk. Born February 15, 1838. Died December 30, 1915. Aged 77-10-15. Revs Abrm B. Herr and Jacob Thomas. Text, St. John 3-3. Bearers: Jacob Charles, Harry Sensenig, Valentine and Amos Shenk. Small funeral at River Corner Church. Very damp all day.

Monday, January 3

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. We are very busy with assessors work and will be for a month and a half at least.

Tuesday, January 4

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Called to John Schock's to take charge of body of wife. Blanche and Walter attended.

Wednesday, January 5

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Went by stage. Had call to come to the home of Alfred B. Herr. His mother died very unexpectedly of heart failure. Blanche and Walter attended. Pleasant all day.

Thursday, January 6

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Stayed at

Manhattan Hotel last night on account of inconvenience of getting to and from city (no stage). Cold raw wind all day.

Friday, January 7

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mary M., wife of John Schock near Washington Boro. Born 12-17-1854. Died 1-4-1916. Aged 61-0-17. Rev Simon Musser opened the services and Rev Peter Williams (German), Rev Samuel Sharer. Text, Rev. 14 + 13, 14. Bearers: Benj Bricker, Henry Musser, Samuel Rosenberger and Michael Kauffman, members of York Brethren. Services at house only and internment in home cemetery. About 400 persons present. Cold raw air all day. Light snow last night.

Saturday, January 8

Partly clear. Ther: 12. At home. Down on farm and trimming grape vines partly all day. At IORM in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Annie E. Herr. Born 9-30-1838. Died 1-5-1916. Aged 77-3-5. Rev Speicher and Rev Miller. Bearers: Jacob Hershey, John Gehr, Benj Souder, Adam Miller, John Kendig, Oliver Manning. Large funeral at Evangelical Church, Creswell. Widow of Isaiah Herr. Pleasant but cold.

Sunday, January 9

Partly clear. Ther: 12. At Sunday school a.m. Had a call to come to Bowman's, Martic Twp., to take charge of the body of Charles Yackley who was found dead near there. Walter and John Z. Wade, Dept Coroner, went down and brought body here. Awaiting word from friends in Philadelphia. Harry and sister Lizzie Eberley came here this noon. Took dinner with us and spent some time and went over it to see Bro Emanuel who is sick in bed. They returned home this eve. At church in eve.

Rec'd word of death of Hebron Rankin's child.  
Cold all day.

Monday, January 10

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. went in by stage. Walter took body of Yackley to Mr. rote's establishment. He will have charge of funeral and burial at Lancaster. I came home with Walter. Walter buried infant daughter, Mabel R., of Hebron Rankin this p.m. at River Corner Mennonite cemetery. At meeting of fire engine committee but nothing definite done. Will have another meeting next Monday eve. Raining and damp all day.

Tuesday, January 11

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very damp and very much like spring.

Wednesday, January 12

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Our appeal days commenced today. Very busy. Went in and returned by stage. Very tiresome. Raining and very damp all day. Freezing in eve. Cold raw air all day.

Thursday, January 13

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Traveling by stage. Busy all day. Called to Chester Lanious to take charge of body of infant daughter. Living at foot of Red Hill, Martic Twp. Blanche and Walter attended. Rained partly all night and a.m. Roads very muddy. Very much colder this eve. Freezing.

Friday, January 14

Partly clear. Ther: 16. At Lancaster all day. (By stage). Busy all day. At U. E. Church in eve. They are having a series of meetings. Very cold all day and eve. Few flakes of snow.

Saturday, January 15

Partly cloudy. Ther: 10. Not at Lancaster. David Hallagar (Colored) died and I went and took charge of body. Blanche and Walter

away at the funeral of Hellen, infant daughter of Chester and Isabelle Lanious. Born June 8, 1915. Died January 13, 1916. Aged 7 months and 5 days. Rev Roberts spoke. Bearer: Walter Ressel. Funeral at Colemanville M. E. Church. Very few persons there. Rev Roberts' horse ran off. No one seriously hurt. Cold all day.

Sunday, January 16

Cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. Walter, Emma and Blanche went to Martin Funk's for dinner and spend the p.m. Fannie Mae Frey came to spend a few days with Blanche. Light snow last night. Moderated some in p.m. Colder and snow in eve.

Monday, January 17

Partly clear. Ther: 6. At Lancaster all day. Busy. At public meeting for purpose of organizing fire company. Pres: Frank Warfel. 1st V. P.: A.A. Onney. 2nd V.P.: Benj F. Smith, Jr. Re Secy: A.S. Benedict. Fin Secy: A.R. Caldwell. Treas: J.W. Morrison. Fire Chief: Elmer Hoak. 1st asst: Walter F. Ressel. 2nd asst: J.F. Murry. Trustees: John R. Good, 1 year. A.J. Zercher, 2 years. J.F. Murry, 3 years. Committee on by laws: A.J. Zercher, A.S. Benedict, John R. Good. Very cold and stormy.

Tuesday, January 18

Partly clear. Ther: 0. At Lancaster by stage. Busy all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of David Hallagar (Colored). Born 1873. Died January 15, 1916. Aged 78 years. Revs Roberts and Jacob Thomas. Rev. 4 chapt. Bearers: Saml Harnish, John Hess, Maynard and Harry Warfel. Small funeral at River Corner Mennonite Church. Coldest day of the winter.

Wednesday, January 19

Partly clear. Ther: 10. At Lancaster all day. Busy. Went to Quarryville on business and

then to Eberley's to stay all night. Cold raw wind.

Thursday, January 20

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy. Was at H.N. Eberley's last night. Spent evening very pleasantly. Had a call to General Hospital, Lancaster, to bring body of Daniel B. Witmer to his home. Walter and John went in wagon. Moderated. Rain and sleet and thundered in p.m.

Friday, January 21

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day and had the Columbia appeals. Worked till 6 p.m. Great many appeals. Will stay at Manhattan Hotel tonight. Am real tired this eve. Regular spring weather. A change of 52 degrees from Tuesday.

Saturday, January 22

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Helped to audit the accounts of the Old Guard Fire and Storm Insurance Co. Bro Emanuel was to do it, but he being sick, I took his place and will give him the benefit. Spent last night at Manhattan Hotel. Have Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Daniel B. Witmer. Born Oct. 1, 1875. Died 1-19-1915. Aged 40-3-18. Rev Martin Groff. Text, Gen. 5-24. John Charles, 90 Psalms 12. Bearers: Landis, Ira, Willis Rice and Milton Kendig. Very large funeral at Stehman's Church, Manor. Quite warm. Rain and very muddy roads.

Sunday, January 23

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. At home and down at John's, p.m. At church in eve. Paul along and will stay all night with us. Rec'd word of death of infant of Harry Groff. Very pleasant day.

Monday, January 24

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy with

appeals. Walter buried stillborn for Harry Groff, Linestown, at Byerland. Beautiful day but bad roads.

Tuesday, January 25

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy with appeals. Beautiful day but the roads from Pike to this village are in a terrible condition. So deep with mud that they are almost too muddy to drive. A shame.

Wednesday, January 26

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy all day. East Hempfield book in very bad condition. George Eckman moved out of the barber shop today. Some trouble between him and Amos Benedict who owns the building. He was asked to vacate. Light rain in a.m. Regular spring day. Quite warm. Roads still very, very bad.

Thursday, January 27

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy all day. Worked in office till 9:45 p.m. Will stay at Manhattan Hotel tonight. Benj F. Smith, Jr., opened up barber shop where Geo Eckman had been. Beautiful day. Quite warm. Unseasonable weather.

Friday, January 28

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy all day. East Lampeter, Conestoga Twp. appeals day. Came home with Walter in auto. Very bad roads for auto especially. Beautiful day. Warm.

Saturday, January 29

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy all day with appeals. First Saturday for a long time that we were in the office in p.m. About home in eve. In and home via stage. A very pleasant change in the weather. Colder.

Sunday, January 30

Cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home p.m. Emma Warfel and Walter here

a while. At U. E. Church in eve, Blanche and I. Rain in a.m. (light). Damp p.m. and very damp and foggy in eve. and cool.

Monday, January 31

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Not so busy. No appeals for today. At fire company meeting this eve. Adopted by-laws and elected 9 directors for company. For 1 year, John R. Good, A.S. Benedict, A.F. Martin. 2 years, A.J. Zercher, Franklin Warfel, M.H. Groff. 3 years, J.F. Murry, J.W. Morrison, and M.G. Kneisley. Quite warm all day. Light rain in eve. Thermostat 43 at 6:35 a.m. 65 at noon. 58 at 6:30 in eve. Great weather for last day of January. One year ago we had a light snow.

Tuesday, February 1

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Rained partly all night and a.m. Damp p.m. Much colder in eve.

Wednesday, February 2

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Will stay in Lancaster tonight. Groundhog Day. He certainly did not see his shadow. Snowing partly all day and getting much colder.

Thursday, February 3

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Spent last night at the Manhattan Hotel very comfortably. Came home by stage this eve. Took us 2-1/2 hours. The roads are something fierce. Had 3 horses hitched to stage. From end of Pike very much more snow than I had thought. Partial eclipse of the sun could be seen very plainly from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Gust and Tony Vitalli were acquitted of murder in Chester County courts. Cold all day. Freezing all day.

Friday, February 4

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Staying at Manhattan Hotel tonight. Swope not in.

Went home sick yesterday p.m. John took tobacco away today brought 1/2 ton shif from Farmer's Assoc. at West Willow. Cold all day.

Saturday, February 5

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office a.m. Mr. Swope not in, he being sick in bed, his son reported. Came home by stage. Sold calf to Elmer Hoak on Thursday. Rec'd payment, \$6.56. Paid Biechler for making brooms, \$2.25. 15 in number. John M. Groff and John H. Myers appointed receivers for York Furnace Trolley Co. Cold and very icy on the streets this morning but moderated very much in p.m. Feels like snow this eve.

Sunday, February 6

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At home and down at Oakwood's in p.m. At church in eve. Damp all day. Light rain in eve.

Monday, February 7

At Lancaster all day. Walter took me in this morning. Came home by stage. 1st ward city appeal day. Very few appeals. Quite warm a.m. and p.m. Very much colder in eve. Freezing.

Tuesday, February 8

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Will stay at Manhattan Hotel this eve. Rec'd word of death of Daniel H. Witmer on the Martin M. Breneman farm, Manor. Blanche and Walter attended. Cold raw air all day.

Wednesday, February 9

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. At Manhattan Hotel last night. Had good bed and rested well. Rec'd check for tobacco delivered last week. (See Memoranda). Gave John Oakwood \$10.00 for special interest in caring for same as present. Cold damp air all day.

Thursday, February 10

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Rather cold all day. Blanche and Walter attended to the body of H.H. Rhinier's wife, Run Valley.

Friday, February 11

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Will stay at Manhattan Hotel tonight. Rec'd word of death of Jos Aston at County Alms house. Took body this p.m. to his son's home, Safe Harbor. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Daniel H. Witmer. Born 6-27-1862. Died 2-8-1916. Aged 53-6-11. Revs Dr. Hess, Philadelphia and Martin Groff. Text, St. Luke 15-8. Bearers: Oliver, Chas, Horace, Ray and Elwood Earhart, John Ferry. Large funeral at Stehman's Church, Manor. Damp partly all day.

Saturday, February 12

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Came home with Blanche and Walter in auto. They were over at Rhinier's and put body in casket and then to Lancaster. At home in eve. Raining and very damp and colder p.m. and eve.

Sunday, February 13

Cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At Home p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Susan J., wife of H.H. Rhinier, Run Valley. Born 1-20-1863. Died 2-10-1916. Aged 53 years and 20 days. Revs Zook and Noah Z. Hess spoke. Text, Romans 6-10. Bearers: John Wiggins, Oscar and Paul Cramer and Edw Hess (nephews). Large funeral at Marticville M. E. Church. A very unpleasant day. Rained last night. Everything covered with heavy coat of ice. Began snowing about 7 a.m. and a regular blizzard all day and getting colder and more storms in eve. Stopped snowing about 5:30 p.m.

Monday, February 14

Partly cloudy. Ther: 2 below zero. At Lancaster all day. Will stay at Manhattan

tonight. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Joseph L. Aston. Born Aug. 24, 1830. Died Feb. 11, 1916. Aged 85-5-17. Rev Martin Groff. Text, Hebrew 12-1. Bearers: Raymond, Elwood and Clayton Aston, Jonas Frey. Very small funeral at Green Hill U. B. Church. Rec'd word of sudden death of John R. Smith, Baker, West Willow. Blanche and Walter attended. Was very much pleased and surprised to see Charles walk into office today. Very cold all day. Trees heavy with ice.

Tuesday, February 15

Partly clear. Ther: 0. At Lancaster all day. Was at Manhattan Hotel overnight. John Oakwood drove to Lancaster this morning and fetched Chas and Paul out home to spend the day, he not being to see us for over one year having working in St. Louis, Mo. Another birthday past (59). J.F. Murry had sale of personal property. Rec'd word of death of Amanda Mchaffey, formerly of this place. Cold all day. There is still a great deal of ice on trees, etc.

Wednesday, February 16

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day via stage both ways. Folks butchered at home. 2 hogs. Everything passed off nicely. I rubbed the hams and shoulders this eve (sugar cured). Blanche and Walter took casket to Smith's and put body in for tomorrow. J.Z. Peacock, a prominent business man of Lancaster, died very unexpectedly at Miami, Florida Tuesday eve. Pleasant day. Ice melting some, but still some on trees.

Thursday, February 17

Partly cloudy. Attending funeral of Amanda Mchaffey, a former citizen of this village. Rev Roberts. Text, Hebrew 9-27. Bearers: Benj and Christ Smith, Howard Duke, and myself. One of the smallest attended funerals I have

ever had. Had to stop men on street for bearers. Total number attending were 12 persons including relatives. Shame. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of John R. Smith. Born 5-10-1855. Died 2-14-1916. Aged 60-9-4. Rev Zook. Text, Gen. 3-9. Bishop Her. St. Matt 24-44. Bearers: Michael Yeagley, John Rohrer, Chas Yeagley, Edgar Reese, Herbert Goss, Chas Dagon. Very large attendance at Brick, Willow Street. Damp and warm p.m.

Friday, February 18

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day via stage. Sold 7 shoats to Fred B. Frey for \$24.00. Should have been \$25.00. Beautiful day. Snow going fast. Roads very sloppy. Getting much colder in eve.

Saturday, February 19

Partly clear. Ther: 7. At Lancaster all day. In office till noon. Very much colder and very high wind all day. Calm in eve.

Sunday, February 20

Cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and preaching in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Annie Fenstermacher. Born 5-13-1851. Died 2-16-1916. Aged 64-9-3. Rev Noah Hess spoke at house of Elmer Kreider from where funeral was held. Rev Wiest. Text, 1 Cor 4-18. Bearers: Jacob Kline, John Markley, Elmer Kreider, Oscar Sangrey, Jacob Shank, Mr. Halloway. Services at Millersville U. E. Church. Internment Creswell. Damp raw air all day. Few flakes of snow occasionally.

Monday, February 21

Partly cloudy. Ther: 10. At Lancaster all day. Came home with Walter who had auto repaired at Lancaster. Very much colder.

Tuesday, February 22

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet

about office. Closed in p.m. Washington's birthday. Blanche attended wedding of Ruth (daughter of Conrad and Suie Hess) Hess. Married to John Hoffman, Maytown. Very pleasant day.

Wednesday, February 23

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Went to see picture "The Battle Cry of Peace". A wonderful production. Great. Esther Wade Harris was buried at M.E. Church this a.m. Damp and quite warm.

Thursday, February 24

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. In by auto. Blanche along. Very damp all day. Foggy rain in eve. and colder.

Friday, February 25

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day via stage. Blanche and Walter called to take charge of body of Joseph Gerlach at home of son Harry. Damp all day and very much colder with snow and rain in eve.

Saturday, February 26

Partly clear. At home. Down on farm at Philip Mowerer's. Took after heifer and sold it to him for \$45.00 to be paid after April 1st. Paid J.W. Morrison bill to date by check, \$31.00. Paid W.K. Sangrey for services, 70 cents. Cold raw wind all day. Cold in eve. Ground covered with light coat of snow.

Sunday, February 27

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. Rev Shelley with us for dinner and spent part of p.m. At home in eve. Very stormy all last night and all day today and colder. Great groundhog weather.

Monday, February 28

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day via stage. Very stormy all day and cold.

Tuesday, February 29

Partly clear. Down on farm and out in orchard a.m. Met F.S. Harnish, one of our road supervisors, with regard to filling of vacancy on board and at sale of personal property of Mathias Gephard, p.m. At home in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Joseph Gerlach. Born 6-11-1834. Died 2-25-1916. Aged 81-8-14. Rev Hostetter and Bishop Light of Brethren Church preached. Text, Rev. 14-13. Bearers: Henry Herr, Jonas M. Winter, Benj H. Lefever and Daniel Neff. Funeral at Brethren Church, Manor. Cold but not near so stormy.

Wednesday, March 1

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Paid John Oakwood \$20.00 for February. Sold 3 pigs to A.H. Benedict for \$10.50, cash. John Bonholtzer and Bessie Eshleman were at the office this noon and I got their marriage license for them and paid it for friendship sake. Were married this p.m. by Rev H.G. Wagner, Smithville. They will go to their home at Pugh's Mill where they will reside. Very pleasant day. Colder in eve. Looks very much like snow.

Thursday, March 2

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Called to take charge of body of Catherine Kampel at Amos Keperling's near Squire Witmer's former home. Walter and Blanche attended. Cold in morning. Pleasant during day. Damp in eve. Snowed last night about 3/4 inch deep.

Friday, March 3

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. At fire demonstration in eve. We had our new chemical engine out. It worked fine. In 15 minutes after the alarm was given by ringing of IORM Hall bell they were playing on the fire and a success. Called to Highville to take

charge of body of George Manning, a former undertaker. Died very suddenly. They brought the body here to prepare for burial. Cold all day. Much colder in eve. and high winds.

Saturday, March 4

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. In office till noon. Paul and I took dinner and spent the p.m. together. He came along out in stage with me and spending the night with us. At home in eve. Cold morning. Cold wind all day.

Sunday, March 5

Partly clear. At Sunday school. Paul along, a.m. About home p.m. and at preaching in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Catherine Kampel. Born 7-28-1831. Died 3-2-1916. Aged 84-8-18. Rev Miller spoke at house. Rev Whitmore read scripture at church and Rev Gensler. Text Psalm 9+10. Bearers: Geo J. Fehl, Benj S. Myers, Jacob Lenhart and P.A. Urich. Funeral at Reformed Church, Millersville. Interment in adjoining cemetery. Cold high wind all day.

Monday, March 6

Cloudy. At home all day. Expected to attend funeral of Geo K. Manning but on account of weather and sprained my back this a.m. reloading caskets, did not. Walter and John took body of Geo K. Manning from here to Creswell Evangelical Church where funeral services were held. Born 11-6-1834. Died 3-3-1916. Aged 81-9-27. Rev H.E. Miller. Text, 39 Psalm 4. Bearers: John, Wm, Ezra and Cyrus Manning, nephews. Wife went to Lancaster for a few days stay. Commenced snowing this a.m. and snowed partly all day and cold. Therm about 22 all day.

Tuesday, March 7

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day via stage. Sold Rhoad's house, Safe Harbor, to Paul Williams of Cochranville, Chester Co. to be

torn down and shipped. \$90.00. Very damp in morning. Beautiful day. Snow melting rapidly.

Wednesday, March 8

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Had auto repaired by Mr. Dombach. \$7.79. Came home by auto, wife and Miss Blanche Shue, who will spend some time with us. A friend of our family. Rain last night. Snow a.m. Beautiful p.m. Very much colder in eve.

Thursday, March 9

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day via stage. Sold calf to Elmer Hoak. \$8.03. Wife some better but not able to be out of bed. Cold raw wind all day.

Friday, March 10

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Walter and John down to Safe Harbor to take down small stable on the Boyd property and will bring it up here. Rather pleasant and very much colder and stormy in eve.

Saturday, March 11

Partly clear. At Lancaster a.m. Went to Gap, Mr. Swope and I, to visit our friend, Thos J. Marsh, formerly Deputy County Controller, who is blind and moving to Philadelphia. Found him well and looking fine. At home in eve. Sold brindle heifer to Frank Herr, Creswell. \$65.00. To deliver Monday or Tuesday. Cold raw wind all day. Cold in eve.

Sunday, March 12

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home and down at Oakwood's p.m. At home in eve. Mr. Baker, Blanche's friend, here for short stay. Called to Creswell to take charge of body of infant of Howard Snyder. Walter attended. Cold raw damp air all day.

Monday, March 13

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Blanche and

Walter attended funeral of Howard, infant son of Howard and Mary Snyder. Born Nov 4, 1915. Died March 12, 1916. Aged 4 months and 8 days. Rev Miller. Text, Solomon Song 6:2. Bearer: Walter Ressel. Funeral at Creswell U. E. cemetery. Services at house only. Delivered brindle heifer and calf to Frank Herr, Creswell. Paid for same. Beautiful day. Frost coming out. Roads very muddy.

Tuesday, March 14

Cloudy. At home and down on farm working and sold 4 shoats to John M. Henry for \$13.00. Went to Harry Frey's sale on Stehman farm. Very large and good sale. Bought stock bull for \$57.00, less 4% for cash, \$54.72. Will bring tomorrow and send check along. Cool and damp partly all day. Rain in eve.

Wednesday, March 15

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Snowing partly all day and colder. Very heavy roads.

Thursday, March 16

Partly cloudy. Ther: 8. At Lancaster all day. Paid Harry Jenkins for hauling and shredding fodder, \$25.00 in full to date. The groundhog season is closed and a failure as a weather prophet. Very cold all day.

Friday, March 17

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Paid Penna Water and Power Co. for houses bought at Safe Harbor to date. \$110.00 in full to date. Few flakes of snow in morning. Cold raw wind all day. Much colder in eve. St Patrick's Day. Ground covered with snow.

Saturday, March 18

Partly cloudy. Ther: 1 above. At Lancaster a.m. Michael S. Lefever was appointed Supervisor for the unexpired term of B. Frank Markley who is moving out of Twp. At Eli Warfel's sale p.m. Not a very good sale. Very cold a.m. Cold all day. Snowing in eve.

Sunday, March 19

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. At home and down on farm p.m. At preaching in eve. Fannie Mae Frey, Blanche Shue and Emma Warfel were guests of Blanche's. Cold raw wind all day. Snow melting. Real cold in eve.

Monday, March 20

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Walter and Blanche in in p.m. Came home with them. Blanche Shue went home this p.m. Cold a.m. Moderated p.m. and eve. Cloudy in eve. Looks like snow of rain.

Tuesday, March 21

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy all day. Pleasant day. About 1 inch of snow fell last night but all gone this eve. and roads very muddy.

Wednesday, March 22

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Cold raw wind all day. Raining partly all day. Thunder and lightning about 2:30 p.m. Telephone reports of lightning in our home here. Rain freezing on Telephone wires and trees this eve.

Thursday, March 23

Partly clear. At Lancaster a.m. At Amos Fisher's sale of farm implements and stock on Union Trust Co. farm north of village p.m. Good sale. At home in eve. Pleasant day but cold air all day.

Friday, March 24

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. At home in eve. Cold raw air. Very much like snow a.m. Very much warmer and roads very muddy p.m.

Saturday, March 25

Partly clear. At home all day trimming peach trees a.m. Down on farm p.m. At IORM in eve and a supper given by the ladies of M. E.

Church. Bought a ton cement off car at Safe Harbor. A.S. Benedict has car in. Beautiful day. Very much like spring. Roads are very muddy.

Sunday, March 26

Clear. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. About home. Bro Emanuel here a while and down at Oakwood's. Have sick horse. One of our large black. Had Dr. Brady of Lancaster out. At home in eve. Beautiful day.

Monday, March 27

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Called to Lancaster to take charge of body of Mrs. Daniel R. Shank at John Wirth's, 118 Ruby Street. Mother of Mrs. Wirth. Blanche and Walter attended. Showers all day.

Tuesday, March 28

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mary, wife of Job Rineer. Born 5-2-1830. Died 3-24-1916. Aged 75-10-22. Rev Roberts. Text, Rev. 14-13. Bearers: Roy Alexander, John Gochenaur, Wesley Wagner, Lloyd Reichard. Funeral at Colemanville M. E. Church, a.m. Walter went to Lancaster and brought out body of Mrs. Shank this p.m. to house of Martin Waller's. Heavy rain last night and raining heavy partly all day and still raining this eve. Roads are something terrible with mud. Broke spring in dead wagon.

Wednesday, March 29

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Roads very bad. Never seen them so heavy and deep I believe. Light rain partly all day. No sunshine since Sunday.

Thursday, March 30

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. At church in eve practicing for Easter service. Very

much like spring. Some sunshine. Roads still very heavy in places.

Friday, March 31

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Home in eve. Rec'd word 2:30 a.m. of death of Amos S. Lefever, Long Lane. Blanche and Walter attended and from there to funeral of Mary Ann Shank. Born 4-15-1837. Died 3-27-1916. Aged 77-11-12. Revs Jacob Thomas and Martin Groff. Text, Gen. 5-24. Bearers: Adam Aston, Victor Myers, Chas and John Campbell, Jos Rankin, Benj Manning. Funeral at Green Hill U. B. Church. Beautiful spring day. Warmest of the season. Roads still very heavy.

Saturday, April 1

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. In office a.m. Attending to April business p.m. Paid J.F. Murry for building hog pen down on Farm. \$75.38. Beautiful day. Rather stormy p.m.

Sunday, April 2

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. At home and down on p.m. At church in eve. Preaching by Rev Shelley. Beautiful day. Rather cool air. Light shower of rain Last night.

Monday, April 3

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Amos S. Lefever. Born 12-14-1848. Died 5-31-1916. Aged 67-5-17. Rev Weist. Bearers: Elias Hoffmeyer, Arthur and Willie Charles, Geo Whitlinger, Miles Miller. Large funeral at Brick, New Danville. Roads very bad. Cool and damp.

Tuesday, April 4

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Went down to Eberley's to see Mother. Found her well but very short of memory and weak. Had John to take me over to see Daddy. Found him not well at all. They have just moved to

the old Groff home near Pat Burk's old home and the house is in terrible condition. I feel very sorry for him. Think it cannot be possible that he should be left there in that condition. Benj Greens got small casket to bury stillborn babe. Cool and damp all day.

Wednesday, April 5

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Spent last night at Harry Eberley's and left at 6:30 a.m. for office. Beautiful day but raw air.

Thursday, April 6

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Took judgment against H.C. Lintner before Alderman Doebler for note given by him and left go to protest and repaid. At Safe Harbor at a public meeting with a view of getting the station of the P.B.W. R.R. moved to the Conestoga side of the creek. The following committee was appointed. John M. Hess, D.M. Witmer, John Burkhart, A.J. Zercher and A.S. Benedict. Very much cooler in eve.

Friday, April 7

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Buried small child, Mary, stillborn, for Aaron Shoff. Cold raw wind all day.

Saturday, April 8

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Damp all day. Heavy snow last night and a.m. Snowing all day and in eve. Fully 6 inches of snow fell. It is supposed that it would have reached near 1 foot had it been colder and not melted. This was one of the heaviest of the winter.

Sunday, April 9

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home p.m. At M. E. Church in eve. Very bad order outside of church. Someone threw snowballs against front door of the church. I hope they were not boys of our town. Addison H. Benedict went out before hand and I think it had an evil effect.

He had better stayed in. More snow last night and some a.m. and a few blusters p.m. Much colder air in eve. Not cold at all during day.

Monday, April 10

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Walter sowed clover seed down on farm. Beautiful day. Snow nearly all gone. Went very fast.

Tuesday, April 11

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. D. B. Foutz working in peach orchard. A deer was seen on New Danville Pike this p.m. Supposed to have strayed away. Pleasant but cold. Damp air partly all day.

Wednesday, April 12

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy all day at J and M. Came by auto family in this p.m. Cold raw air a.m. and eve. Beautiful p.m.

Thursday, April 13

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy all day. The county organization of township supervisors held their annual meeting in the court house today with good attendance. Rather damp all day. Not cold.

Friday, April 14

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Mr. Rennex of Pa. Water and Power Co., Holtwood came in. Gave him my check for \$250.00 for balance of rent for Safe Harbor's properties. This closes the Safe Harbor lease business. At church in eve. Preparatory services. Damp. Very heavy rain a.m. and very, very stormy p.m. and eve.

Saturday, April 15

Partly clear. At Miller property trimming peach and apple trees a.m. Went to sale of personal property of Amos S. Lefever who died recently. Stopped at Herr's nursery and

bought 10 quince and 3 apricot trees. Very stormy a.m. and part of p.m. and eve.

Sunday, April 16

Partly clear. At Sunday school and Holy Communion a.m. Family and I presented an individual communion set to the congregation. It was used for the first today. Held a joint consistory meeting in the church this p.m. Walked down to Oakwood's in eve. Pleasant all day.

Monday, April 17

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day, busy at J and M work. Quarter sessions court opened today. At church practicing Easter services. Very changeable. Rain, sunshine. Thunder gust about 1 p.m. Quite stormy in eve, and colder.

Tuesday, April 18

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster a.m. Came home by auto and went to George K. Manning's sale. Bought a few things. Property sold for \$1,525. Charles called at the office this a.m. I got a young dochsand dog (female) of Enos E. Mowerer, County Controller. Dropped 2-2-16. Named Sara.

Wednesday, April 19

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Went in by auto alone. My first trip alone. Got through all right. Called out early this morning to take charge and remove body of Benj M. Walk from Denlinger Mill to his son on farm. Walter and Blanche attended. Ada Zercher here this eve. We made arrangements for Andrew J., her son, to come and make his home with us. He is 9 years old and is to stay for indefinite time, not only for a year or so. Cool in morning. Pleasant during day. Few drops of rain in eve.

Thursday, April 20

Partly clear. At Safe Harbor in the morning to

meet Mr. Wrench with the view of having the freight station moved to the Conestoga side of the creek. Mr. Wrench was willing to recommend the same and thought it advisable, a.m. Trimming trees on Miller Property p.m. Practicing Easter services in the evening. Warm all day. The warmest spring day.

Friday, April 21

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day by auto. Charles Hudson, wife Edith and children, Virginia, Carl of Baltimore, Md. will spend Easter with us. Walter and Blanche attended funeral of Benj M. Walk. Born 9-7-1862. Died 4-19-1916. Aged 53-7-12. Revs Martin Groff and Abrm Herr. Text, Job 14-14. Bearers: Edw Eshleman, Elias Sneath, Amos Shellenberger, and Isaiah Hess. Funeral at Millersville Mennonite Church. Quite warm all day. Rain in eve. Thunder.

*Missing pages for April 22 and 23*

Monday, April 24

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy at J and M. Cool all day.

Tuesday, April 25

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy with J and M. Went in by auto. Damp and raining partly all day and cool.

Wednesday, April 26

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy with J and M. Went in by auto. Roads rather muddy. Cool all day.

Thursday, April 27

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day via stage. Busy all day. Called to Charles Eshleman's, Manor Twp., to take charge of body of his oldest daughter, Myrtle. Blanche and Walter attended. Rained partly all last night and

partly all day and still raining at 8:45 p.m. Cool all day.

*Missing pages for April 28 and 29*

Sunday, April 30

Partly clear. At Sunday school. Had a congregational meeting afterward, a.m. About home and down at Oakwood's p.m. At church in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Myrtle D. Eshleman, daughter of Charles and Minnie. Born 7-29-1892. Died 4-27-1916. Aged 23-8-28. Rev Martin Groff. Text, Rev. 24-11. Bearers: John and Charles Neff, Chas Witmer, Reeder Eshleman. Very large funeral at Millersville Mennonite. About 2,000 persons present. Called to Lancaster in eve. to take charge of body of mother of Wm T. Denlinger. Walter and Blanche in.

Monday, May 1

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. At fire company meeting in eve. Beautiful day.

Tuesday, May 2

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Wife along in auto. Alone in office all day. Walter and Blanche took casket in to Denlinger's and put body in. John took 3 cows over to Hildebrand's Hotel this morning for Amos S. Gontner for me. Beautiful day. Warm.

Wednesday, May 3

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Had a call last night to come to Guy Bitts. Took Blanche along in. Took charge of body of infant son, Jacob Shartle Bitts and from there took her to Wm T. Denlinger to attend funeral of his mother. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Katherine Denlinger. Born May 3, 1833. Died 4-0-1916. Aged 83-11-27. Rev Badorf spoke. Rev Groff assisted. Bearers: Harry, John, Charles, Abrm, William and Benj

Denlinger, sons. Funeral at Stehman's. Beautiful day. Quite warm all day.

Thursday, May 4

Partly clear. At Lancaster. Alone partly all day. Beautiful day. Warm.

Friday, May 5

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of J. Shartle, infant son of Guy and Carrie Bitts, #550 Dauphin street, Lancaster. Born July 29, 1915. Died May 2, 1916. Aged 9 months and 3 days. Rev Aaron Harnish spoke on Genesis 50-14. Bearer: Walter. Services at house only. Interment at Millersville Mennonite cemetery. Some cooler. Rain a.m. Warmer p.m. Cool in eve.

Saturday, May 6

Partly clear. At Lancaster till 2 p.m. A very sudden and unexpected death occurred here in the village this a.m. Mrs. Anna Hollow, widow of the late Thos Hollow. Blanche and Walter attended. Brought body to our home. Funeral will be held from here Friday morning. Beautiful day.

Sunday, May 7

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching by Rev H.S. Shelley a.m. About home p.m. and eve. Raining a.m. Cooler p.m. Thunder gust in eve.

Monday, May 8

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy in office. Body of woman found on rocks in Susquehanna River. Did not remove same on account of inability to move it. Will do so later. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Tuesday, May 9

Partly clear. Attending funeral of Matilda, widow of the late Thomas Hollow. Born 4-5-

1851. Died 5-6-1916. Aged 65-1-1. Rev Roberts of Mt. Joy, her former pastor, officiated. Text, Job 19-25. Assisted by Rev Howell, the present pastor. Bearers: John R. Good, Harry Eckman, Martin Smith, and Allen Sickman. Funeral held from our home and at M. E. Church of which she was a member. Small funeral. At Lancaster. Busy in office and took out letters of administration on her estate, there being no relatives known. Rather stormy all day. Cooler in p.m. and eve.

Wednesday, May 10

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy in office. Rec'd ballots for primary from Reading. Labeling them, etc., p.m. At home in eve. Rec'd word this eve. to come to the Rice farm, Martic Twp., to take charge of infant of Mr. and Mrs. Gainer, living there. Walter and Blanche went down. Gave check to Harry Warfel for Hallie Douts in payment of a note that Edw had given him for \$100.00. She also paid F.H. Sickman mill bill. Quite warm. Stormy p.m. and cooler in eve.

Thursday, May 11

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy shipping out ballots, etc. Rec'd word this morning of the death of Benj F. Benedict. Blanche and Walter went down. Very pleasant day but stormy.

Friday, May 12

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy in office. Attended the Funeral Directors meeting at the Stevens House and took supper there. Paid annual dues, \$5.00. Mr. Albert O'Brian was at the office and identified the pieces of coat and waist as those of his wife, the body that was found in the river on Monday. John commenced planting corn today. Sold bull to F.S. Harnish for \$65.00. Delivered today. Very pleasant day.

Saturday, May 13

Partly clear. At Lancaster partly all day. Busy in office. Body of Margaret O'Brian of York, which was found in the river and buried in Mt. Zion cemetery was taken up and taken to York for interment by a York funeral director. Harry Swope, brother of David Swope, Mechanicsburg, died last eve. Pleasant day.

Sunday, May 14

Cloudy. Attended funeral of Benj F. Benedict. Born 4-29-1851. Died 5-11-1916. Aged 63-0-15. Rev Martin Groff. Matt 26-8. Bearers: John Burkhart, John Z. Wade, Albert T. Henry, and Amaziah H. Gardner. Large funeral at U. E. Church. Interned at Mt. Zion. Walter attended funeral of Robert B., infant son of Fitzhugh and Ida Bowers Neil. Born 8-23-1915. Died 5-10-1916. Aged 8 months and 27 days. Rev Howell. Text, Song of Solomon 6-2. Buried at Colemanville. Eve, gave dinner in honor of Walter and Emma's marriage: John Bonholtzer and wife, W.A. Wade and Fannie May Frey: Eli Shueman and Blanche Shue, present. Damp raw air all day.

Monday, May 15

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Finished sending out ballots for tomorrow's primary. I delivered Pequea and Conestoga ballots. Damp a.m. Very pleasant p.m. and eve.

Tuesday, May 16

Partly cloudy. At county primary all day and till about 1 o'clock a.m. There were 119 votes polled. Am pleased with the result. Especially the contest for County Committeeman. Benj F. Hookey rec'd 55 votes. Albert Warfel 52. H.H. Bitts 1. A close call. The Warfel click ran an auto all day (John E. Lefever) but it did not bring the answer. Pleasant a.m. Damp and cool p.m. and light showers. Heavy rain during night.

Wednesday, May 17

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy paying off election officers and receiving returns a.m. Hagenbeck and Co. Circus in city p.m. About home in eve. Paid J.W. Morrison for 2 ton lime, etc., \$17.68 in full to date. Very much cooler or cold p.m. and eve.

Thursday, May 18

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy. Walter began taking registry assessment today. Paid Sickman for feed, \$1.20. Quite cold all day. Light frost in low places.

Friday, May 19

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Finished judgments and mortgages to date. The commissioners and Enos E. Mowrer and David Swope as clerks began tabulating the votes of the primary. Quite cold all day. Wore overcoats. Light frost in low places.

Saturday, May 20

Partly clear. At Lancaster a.m. About home and down on farm p.m. Walked out to band festival in eve, Andrew and I, a short time. Paid Amos Graver \$25.00 on account. Had Saxon repaired today at Hawkins and Weil. Cool all day. Wore overcoat to go to Lancaster and much cooler in eve.

Sunday, May 21

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. About home and rec'd word of the death of Clayton Yost, son of Henry. He died at county home. Walter and Blanche attended to same and removed body to home of his father at Run Valley. Beautiful day but quite cool in eve.

Monday, May 22

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

Tuesday, May 23

Cloudy. At Lancaster till 3:30. Came home

and had J.W. Morrison and B.F. Hookey appraise the personal effects of Matilda Hollow. Amount of appraisal less her Insurance was \$753.01. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Alice R. Lee. Born 2-26-1860. Died 5-20-1916. Aged 56-2-24. Rev Dunkle. Text, St. Luke 12-40. Bearers: Edw Hess, Alfred Kendig, Lloyd Rhinier, Edgar Cramer, Claude McClune, Ezra Herr. Small funeral at Marticville M. E. Church. Raining partly all day and cool.

Wednesday, May 24

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Clayton M., son of Henry and are Rebecca Yost. Born 7-1-1876. Died 5-21-1916. Aged 39-10-20. Rev Zook. Bearers: Lester Henry, Harry Byers, Maris Good and John Charles. Funeral at Marticville M. E. Church. Paid Paul Wohlson \$2.00 toward repairing bicycle, he having met with accident in city colliding with my auto. Damp a.m. Warmer p.m. and eve.

Thursday, May 25

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Wife along in by auto. Came home by trolley. My first trip since last December. Warmest day of May. Heavy thunder storm north and east of Lancaster. Some rain at Lancaster. No rain at home p.m. Light rain here in eve.

Friday, May 26

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Paid Hawkins and Wild \$7.00 for auto repair. School teachers examinations day today. Beautiful day.

Saturday, May 27

Partly clear. At Lancaster a.m. Had Andrew along in and the dog (Sarah). About home and down on farm p.m. About home in eve. Very pleasant day. Showers in eve.

Sunday, May 28

Partly clear. Ther: 90. At Sunday school a.m.

At home p.m. and at preaching by Rev Shelley in eve. Very warm all day. Rain and hail in p.m. about 3:30. Size of peas. Some few like small hickory nuts.

Monday, May 29

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Blanche along. She went down to Eberley's to see Mother. She seems to be so sorry for her as she certainly well cared for by sister Lizzie and family. Poor Mother. Warm all day.

Tuesday, May 30

Partly cloudy. Working about home a.m. Attending Memorial Day services of the community at the M. E. Church here. Dr. Bernthesel of Columbia and Col John Groff, esq., were the speakers. Large attendance. Rec'd word this morning of the death of Clay Miller's only child. Blanche and Walter attended. Also of the death of my old friend Daniel B. Herr at Rock Hill. Brought body to Annie Herr's, our neighbor (widow of Christ, his son) where the funeral will be held. Paid county and road tax today. \$37.61. Pleasant day.

Wednesday, May 31

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Made trip by trolley. Paid Walter for month of May. Beautiful day but rather stormy.

Thursday, June 1

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Paid John wages for May. \$20.00. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of John Edwin. Only child of Clay and Elizabeth Miller. Born 9-4-1912. Died 5-30-1916. Aged 3-8-26. Rev Lehman. Text, Luke 18-16. Bearers: Oscar, Preston Karr, Edgar, John Lefever. Funeral at Millersville Mennonite Church. Rather cool all day.

Friday, June 2

Partly clear. At funeral of Daniel B. Herr. Born

6-8-1831. Died 5-30-1916. Aged 84-10-22. Rev Lehman. Text, 1 Peter 1-1 to 3. Bishop Abrm B. Herr. Hebrew 8, 3 to 9. Bearers: Albert Karr, David Hess, David Lefever, John Grossman. Funeral from home of Annie Herr, our neighbor and New Danville Old Mennonite Church. Went to Lancaster after services at house for balance of day. I subscribed \$15.00 for the General Hospital fund. Cool all day and quite stormy p.m. and eve.

Saturday, June 3

Partly cloudy. At home all day. Getting Mrs. Hollow's personal property ready for sale. Walter helped, a.m. Down at pond. Walter, Andrew and I caught a few carp out of pond. Paid D.B. Foutz for labor to date, \$1.50. A thunder gust early this a.m. and a beautiful and helpful rain. Thunder gust in eve. and a heavy rain. Great rain. Cooler in eve.

Sunday, June 4

Partly clear. At Sunday school. No preaching. Mrs. Shelley died this morning, a.m. At home p.m. At Children's Day services at U. E. Church in eve. Walter took wife to Lancaster early this morning by auto. Her and Mary went to York to see their aunt who is very seriously ill. David H. Hess, our neighbor across the way, is seriously ill. Pleasant all day. Rather cool wind part of day.

Monday, June 5

Partly clear. At Lancaster by auto. Wife came along home in eve. She found her aunt, Mrs. Jacob Ohmit, a very sick woman. Pleasant all day. Light rain in eve.

Tuesday, June 6

Partly clear. At home today. Working in orchard on Miller land all day. Cultivating, hunting borers, fertilizing, etc. John Oakwood did the plowing. Walter and myself did fertilizing. D.B. Foutz and Mart Smith did the

hunting borers and Lloyd Henry drove horses for plowing. I am very sore and tired this eve. By request of his family I spent forepart of night with our neighbor, David H. Hess, who is very sick. Beautiful day. Quite warm. Cooler in eve.

Wednesday, June 7

Cloudy. About home all day. Working in shop, etc. Put up shelf for my clock that I bought of Hall's estate. Raining partly all day. Cool and very damp.

Thursday, June 8

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. The Republican Convention at Chicago is progressing slowly. Cool all day.

Friday, June 9

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Damp and raining partly all day.

Saturday June 10

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster partly all day. Receiving news of the conventions at Chicago in p.m. Justice Charles E. Hughes of N.Y. Was nominated for President by the Republicans and Col. Theo Roosevelt of Oyster Bay, N.Y. by the Progressives. Held our festival for the benefit of the fire company this eve. Large crowd. Cool all day. Damp in eve.

Sunday, June 11

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. At church in eve. Charles and Paul spent and along to Sunday school. Heavy hail storm about 2:30 o'clock p.m. They fell thick and fast. Did quite a good deal of damage to growing fruit and plants. Hail could be shoveled at eaves of roof, etc. We took a pic of pile of hail at J.R. Yentzer's home.

Monday, June 12

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster by auto. Took Paul along in. Rather cool all day.

Tuesday, June 13

Partly clear. At home working in orchard partly all day. Finished grubbing and fertilizing. Walter, D.B. Foutz, Martin Smith and myself worked in orchard. Beautiful day. Sun quite warm. Gust in north.

Wednesday, June 14

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster. Went down to Eberley's and fetched Mother up to see Daddy who is sick at the County Hospital. She was very much pleased with the trip and was very glad to do it for her sister Lizzie came along. Our neighbor, David H. Hess died this eve. at 6:30 after lingering for over a week. Quite warm all day. Shower of rain at Lancaster. None here at home.

Thursday, June 15

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Went by auto. Raining and very damp all day.

Friday, June 16

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day by trolley. Paid F.H. Sickman mill bill to date, \$4.80. (Will Beach driver). Rained partly all night and all day. Real heavy by times. Roads very muddy.

Saturday, June 17

Partly clear. At home and down getting ready for sale a.m. At sale of personal property of Matilda Hollow's estate as administrator. Had a fair sale. Everything went along nicely. At home in eve. Damp a.m. Beautiful p.m. Warmer than we have had for at least two weeks.

Sunday, June 18

Partly clear. Attending funeral of David H. Hess. Born 8-29-1837. Died 6-14-1916. Aged 78-9-16. Rev Aaron Harnish read 90 Psalm at house and Bishop Abram B. Herr. Text, Rev. 14 + 12-13. Bearers: Henry and David Huber, Henry and Jonas Hess. Large funeral at River

Corner. At community meeting at Highville U. B. Church. Dr. Asper Hess of Philadelphia gave a very good address. Enjoyed it very much. Walter, Emma, Blanche and I. Beautiful day. Warm.

Monday, June 19

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. The President (Wilson) ordered out (or made a call) for state militia to be ready to go to the Mexican border. Mexico has declared war on the U.S. Quite warm. Light rain in eve. Gust.

Tuesday, June 20

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day by trolley. Settled with Hallie Douts. Transferred certificate and settled in full. Did not charge her anything for what I did for her. Beautiful day.

Wednesday, June 21

Cloudy. Longest day. At Lancaster. Went with the commissioners to inspect bridges on the Pequea creek. We began at #3 bridge near Williamstown and worked downstream. Took in 12 bridges and took dinner at Foutz Hotel, Strasburg. Commenced raining and we went back to office. Mr. Magee had his car (Hudson). Mr. Magee, S.W. Diller, John R. Shenk, county engineer, F.H. Shaw and myself. Called to Irvin Shellenberger. Child died of scarlet fever. Walter and Blanche attended. Heavy rain and cool.

Thursday, June 22

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Stopped off at Millersville to see the parade. Preparatory holding a festival on Saturday eve. for the benefit of street lighting (electric). Walter came over in eve. in the auto. Emma, his wife, Andrew J. and I came along home via Wabank, New Danville. A very large, fine parade and ideal weather all day and eve. (cool). Blanche and Walter attended burial of

Irwin and Ida Shellenberger's daughter, Ruth Catherine. Born 4-6-1915. Died 6-21-1916. Aged 1-1-15. Burial at Creswell. Elmer Hoak bought hog.

Friday, June 23

Partly clear. At Lancaster by auto. Was up on North Prince street to see the N.G. drill. They are to leave tomorrow for Mt. Gretna. Beautiful day.

Saturday, June 24

Partly clear. At Lancaster partly all day. Blanche and I went in early this morning to see the National Guard leave for Mt. Gretna previous to going to Mexico. Thousands of people turned out to see them off. Train left depot at 6:50 and a large escort of old veterans, city officials, etc. At IORM in eve. Paid rent for Matilda Hollow's estate due them. Very pleasant day. Warm all day.

Sunday, June 25

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At home balance of day. At preaching in eve. M. E. Children's Day services this eve. Light rain early this morning and part of a.m. Quite warm p.m. and eve.

Monday, June 26

Partly clear. At Lancaster. Charles came along out by auto to pick some cherries. John, Walter, etc., made hay. Hauled in six loads. Quite warm. Fairly good hay weather.

Tuesday, June 27

Partly clear. At Lancaster and went with Co. Commissioners to inspect bridges on Pequea and Conestoga creek. Took dinner at A.A. Onney, this place. Philip Mowrer paid for heifer sold him in February. Took Charles along to Lancaster with a nice lot of cherries this morning. Cloudy a.m. Clear and very much warmer p.m.

Wednesday, June 28

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. John, Walter and Christ Urban at hay. Very pleasant day. Good hay day.

Thursday, June 29

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Wife and Andrew along to see circus parade. Andrew enjoyed it very much. Good hay weather. Warm all day.

Friday, June 30

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster by auto. Walter along and came home with auto. I came home by trolley this eve. Paid Walter his wages for June. \$30.00. Damp. Few drops of rain a.m. Very pleasant. Got some hay in, p.m. cool in eve.

Saturday, July 1

Clear. At Lancaster till noon. Went to D.B. Herr's sale, Rock Hill. Bought a few small articles, p.m. At home in eve. Paid John wages for June. \$20.00. Paid Lloyd \$4.00 for helping in hay making. Very warm all day.

Sunday, July 2

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching by a Mr. Landis of Lititz. A student at F & M College. A very good sermon. At home p.m. and eve. Appointed Walter S. Ressel, Harry Fulton, Ira Markley and Charles Miller Committee to arrange for S.S. picnic on the 15th. Warm high wind all day. Very dusty. Indications are for rain this eve.

Monday, July 3

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Went by auto. Conestoga Fire Co. held their annual meeting his eve. Should have been held in May, but on account of not having charter granted, it was postponed till this eve. We received charter and it is fine. Beautiful day. Great hay weather.

Tuesday, July 4

Partly clear. At home. Cleaning fence row on Kreider Lot a.m. Went down to see my old Colored friend, Wash Martin, p.m. Walter, Emma, wife and I went to Lancaster to see the fireworks which were simply great. Returned home about 10:30 p.m. Beautiful day but cool in eve.

Wednesday, July 5

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day by auto. Beautiful day. Cool all day.

Thursday, July 6

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Walter's wife, Emma, going in by auto. Settled with A.R. Caldwell to date. He was to take feed for phosphate I bought of him and refused to do so after several years standing, so I gave him my check for \$25.00 to get the matter settled and rid of it. Sun quite warm all day.

Friday, July 7

Clear. At Lancaster and Walter took Blanche, wife and I up to Roherstown to the funeral of cousin Hattie Antes. Rev Christ Hostetter (Bishop) and Rev Jacob Hershey preached from Romans 8-18 and 2 Cor 4-17. Took dinner at church (Mennonite). Returned to office by 1 p.m. and family came home. I came home via trolley. Rec'd word this eve of the death of one of John Waller's daughters. Blanche and Walter attended. Very warm all day.

Saturday, July 8

Clear. Ther: 96. At Lancaster till 10 a.m. At home balance of day. Had Blanche along to get goods for funeral of Miss Waller. At home in eve. Clear and very warm all day and very dusty driving.

Sunday, July 9

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. At home and went to Lancaster to Harry Schroyer's for

flowers for funeral tomorrow. Mary and Emma Bruner, Miss Herneiser of Lancaster spent p.m. with us. Fannie Mae Frey spent night and today here. At preaching in eve. Very pleasant day. Rather stormy and very dusty.

Monday, July 10

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Anna Mary, daughter of John B. and Catharine Waller. Born 7-9-1891. Died 7-7-1916. Aged 24-11-28. Rev Miller of U. E. Church preached. Bearers: Frank and William Warfel, Roy Frey, Edw Kneisley. Funeral at Green Hill U. B. Church. Pleasant day. Very nice rain partly all of last night. Much needed. Shower this eve.

Tuesday, July 11

Partly clear. At home. Down on farm in morning cleaning stables entry and hog pen here. At home and whitewashed same with spray paint, Walter and I, a.m. Went out to Rushes woods and cleaned up same for our picnic Saturday, Harry Fulton, Charles Markley, Walter Ressel and I in p.m. Working at home in eve. Very warm all day.

Wednesday, July 12

Partly clear. Ther: 98. At home harvesting. Worked hard all day. We cut with binder a.m. Hauled it all in p.m. Set rather hard on me. A very warm day. Finished wheat harvest. C.C. Urban, a.m. John, Walter and I all day. Andrew helped with water and gathering sheaves very nicely. I did some cradling and binding, a.m.

Thursday, July 13

Partly clear. At harvesting all day. Finished all but raking. Blanche and Walter in Lancaster p.m. Another very warm day. Heavy thunder and rain about 5 p.m. Very tired. Just got the

last load of wheat in the barn as it began to rain.

Friday, July 14

Partly cloudy. At home working in orchard a.m. and part of p.m. Also down on farm. At home in eve. John and Christ Urban took horse and had a good part of the day off for a good time. Not very well pleased. I am not. Very warm all day. Papers report heavy storm and hail in several sections of county.

Saturday, July 15

Cloudy. Putting up tables, seats, etc., a.m. Attending annual picnic of Reformed Sunday school, p.m. and eve. Good attendance and no rain though cloudy and a very pleasant time. Very pleasant day.

Sunday, July 16

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Quite warm. Several showers morning and eve.

Monday, July 17

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Quite warm all day. Not a good harvest day. Damp all day.

Tuesday, July 18

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Beautiful day. Warm.

Wednesday, July 19

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Wife and Blanche went to Atlantic City this morning. Left Lancaster at 7:39. I went with them to train. Hope they have a nice time. Very warm all day.

Thursday, July 20

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. John and Walter hauling some hay from Miller property. Quite warm all day.

Friday, July 21

Partly clear. Ther: 92. At Lancaster all day. Very warm. Humidity great. Thunder gust in eve. Light rain.

Saturday, July 22

Partly cloudy. At home and fixing small auto a.m. Down on farm and called to Cyrus Gontner to take charge of body of his wife who died very suddenly. Blanche not being home, Walter and I took charge. From there we spent a very short time at Highville S.S. picnic. Wife and Blanche came home from Atlantic City this eve. Very much pleased with vacation. Paid C.C. Urban for helping in hay and harvest 5 days. \$10.00. Very warm. Very heavy rain in p.m.

Sunday, July 23

Clear. Ther: 89. At Sunday school a.m. Blanche and Walter went to Gontner's to see after body. At home p.m. and eve. No church services. Rev Shelley on vacation. Warm all day. Thundering in p.m. in the north.

Monday, July 24

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. John took casket and roughbox to Highville and met with an accident I fear through drink. He upset wagon and all. Very heavy rain at Lancaster about 2 p.m. Not any at home here.

Tuesday, July 25

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Sarah, wife of Cyrus Gontner. Born 7-18-1844. Died 7-23-1916. Aged 72-0-4. Rev Martin Groff. Text, Matt 24-44. Bearers: Saml Dabler, Geo Kise, Benj McMillan, Danl Kendig, Harvey Frey, Elvin Brenner. Funeral at U. B. Church, Highville. Called to Neffsville Brethren Home for body of infant. Commenced raining about 3:30 a.m. Rained all day and still raining at 8:20 p.m. and very heavy showers very

frequently all day and eve. Do not think there were 15 minutes intermission all day.

Wednesday, July 26

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. York Furnace trolley out of commission from 5 p.m. and none at 7:30 p.m. Phoned home and had Walter bring from Millersville, fetched Harry Eckman and Wesley Benedict along. Quite warm all day. Showers a.m.

Thursday, July 27

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Went in with Walter, he going to the General Hospital for body of stillborn child of David and Mary Sterneman, a.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Esther May Funk, daughter of Lizzie Lutz. Born 4-25-1916. Died July 25, 1916. Aged 3 months. Rev Martin Groff. Text, Hebrew 12-1. Bearer: Walter. Funeral at Masonville Mennonite Church. Very warm all day. Thundering in N-W, but no rain yet.

Friday, July 28

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Walter buried stillborn son of David and Mary Sterneman at the M. E. cemetery this a.m. Very much cooler. Some rain a.m.

Saturday, July 29

At home and down on farm. Told John about his waywardness and drink and that I would not allow him to drive for any more funerals and that he could not expect to stay next year on that account. He said he did intend staying only this year, a.m. At Colemanville S.S. picnic Walter, wife, Mother and my wife and I, p.m. At IORM and AOK of MC short time. Very pleasant day.

Sunday, July 30

Partly clear. Called at 2 a.m. to come to Pharis Stauffer's, Manor, to take charge of body of

stillborn babe. Blanche and Will Sangrey went up. Walter buried same this p.m. at Masonville Mennonite cemetery, p.m. Rec'd call this morning at 5:15 to come to General Hospital, Lancaster, for body of Mary, wife of David Sterneman. Walter went in by auto and brought it to her home here. How sad. David, her husband, is prostrated and in rather critical condition. I was helping and about home all day. Quite warm all day.

Monday, July 31

Partly clear. Ther: 90. At Lancaster all day. Sent check to D.S. Forry for Bell Telephone. \$10.00. Settled with John Oakwood for July. \$20.00. Very warm. Humidity so great.

Tuesday, August 1

Clear. Ther: 80. Attending funeral of Mary, wife of David R. Sterneman. Born May 4, 1884. Died July 30, 1916. Aged 32-2-26. Rev Gerdson of Moravian Church, Lancaster, of which she was a very consistent member. Text, St. James 4-14. Bearers: Benj Sterneman, Christ Biechler, Elmer Meyer, Chester Campbell, Henry Frailey, Robt Adams. A large and very sad funeral at M. E. Church, Conestoga, a.m. About home p.m. and eve. Beautiful day. Warm.

Wednesday, August 2

Clear. Down on farm all day. John, Walter, Christ Urban and I working at new fish pond all day and Frank Henry in p.m. Quite a job making a new one. Very pleasant all day. Quite cool in eve.

Thursday, August 3

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 5:30. Working at fish pond. Finished this p.m. Am very much pleased and glad it I'd finished. I am very tired. John, Walter, Christ and I, a.m. Walter and I p.m. Very pleasant all day.

Friday, August 4

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Took the Saxon auto to Hawkins and Wild for repairs. Mrs. Abrm Warfel died this p.m. Walter and Blanche attended. Heavy thunder gust and rain at Lancaster at 8:15 a.m. Very little rain here at home and very warm balance of day.

Saturday, August 5

Partly clear. Ther: 90. At Lancaster till 2:25 p.m. At home and down at Safe Harbor p.m. At home in eve. Paid Hawkins and Wild for repairs on Saxon. \$16.30. Paid C.C. Urban labor. \$2.92. Paid Ed Wade for pump in cistern on farm. \$3.50. Very warm all day.

Sunday, August 6

Partly clear. Ther: 88 to 92. At Sunday school a.m. At home. Charles spent last night and this p.m. with us. At church in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Catherine, wife of Abrm C. Warfel. Born 11-20, 1846. Died 8-4-1916. Aged 69-8-14. Rev Miller. Text, Psalm 39-4. Rev Groff. Text, John 14-21. Bearers: John Burkhart, Benj H. Montgomery, Jacob B. Herr, Amaziah Gardner. Funeral at U. E. Church. Interned at Mt. Zion. Called to Pharis Stauffer's, Manor, to take charge of body of his wife. Wm Sangrey took Blanche up, Walter not being home. Very warm and sultry.

Monday, August 7

Partly clear. Ther: 90. At Lancaster all day. Mr. Diller, Shirk, Magee, Commissioners, Swope, Chief Clerk, and Kinzer, Solicitor, left on 10:35 train for Meadville to attend State Convention of County Commissioners. Paid Frank Henry for helping at pond. 75 cents. Very warm all day.

Tuesday, August 8

Partly clear. Ther: 93. At Lancaster all day. Very warm all day. Very light shower of rain in eve.

Wednesday, August 9

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Blanche and Walter attending funeral of Susie, wife of Phares K. Stauffer. Born 5-13-1893. Died 8-6-1916. Aged 23-2-24. Bishop A.B. Herr. John Charles. Text, Isaiah 3-10. Rev Habecker spoke at house. Bearers: John Eshleman, Christ Neff, Ira and Amos Stauffer. Large funeral at Masonville. Very warm all day but nice. Good air all day.

Thursday, August 10

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. John mowing young grass field today. Had wheat in it. Great change in weather. Not nearly so warm.

Friday, August 11

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Quite cool and damp.

Saturday, August 12

Partly clear. At Lancaster till 11 a.m. Down on farm p.m. At IORM in eve. Very much warmer. Very light shower of rain last eve.

Sunday, August 13

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching by Rev Chas Sayers of Central Manor Church of God who preached a very able and inspiring sermon a.m. He took dinner with us and I took him to trolley afterwards. About home p.m. and eve. Beautiful day and very much cooler p.m. and eve. Very dusty roads.

Monday, August 14

Partly clear. Ther: 6 a.m., 55. 7:30 p.m., 74. At Lancaster all day. Very cool in morning. Warmer during day.

Tuesday, August 15

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Walter and John working at auto house here at home. Bought 2 Holstein heifers of Adam Hoover (dealer). To be delivered. The first case of

infantile paralysis reported today in Lancaster. Rather cool all day but very pleasant.

Wednesday, August 16

Partly cloudy. At home. Down on farm budding cherry trees and working at fish pond a.m. Working about home p.m. Quite warm all day. Nice shower of rain p.m.

Thursday, August 17

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Walter in p.m. brought the heifers along out that I bought on Tuesday. Paid for them. Beautiful day. Warm.

Friday, August 18

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Rec'd telegram that a consignment of sunfish would be at Safe Harbor on the 20th at 8:26 a.m. Meet train. Very warm.

Saturday, August 19

Partly clear. Working down on farm a.m. About home and went out to U. E. Sunday school picnic in p.m. At IORM in eve. Served as C of R for Mr. Hookey. Very warm all day.

Sunday, August 20

Clear. Ther: 94. At Safe Harbor to meet the 8:26 train on which I rec'd fish from government. Bluegills. Had promise of sunfish. Had promise of 500. The actual count rec'd only 77. Very sorry and especially that I had to receive them on the Sabbath day. About home p.m. At church in eve. No electric lights this eve. for some reason or other. Very warm all day.

Monday, August 21

Partly clear. Ther: 96. At Lancaster all day. John mowing second crop for hay. Very warm and dusty.

Tuesday, August 22

Partly clear. Ther: 98. At Lancaster all day. Called by phone last night at 10:30 by Dr. Roop of County Hospital stating that Daddy Eidemiller (Andrew) had just died. Walter brought his body out here to our place. Will hold funeral on Thursday at 10 a.m., Pequea Church. Then called to Adam Aments, Millersville, to take charge of body of infant child. Very warm all day.

Wednesday, August 23

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very warm but more breeze. Heavy thunder and rain at Lancaster, p.m. Not near so heavy here at home, but in the eve. had a great good rain. We cannot be thankful enough for it. Still raining at 7:30 p.m. Walter attended burial of Ada Millhouse, infant daughter of Adam and Annie Ament. Born 8-19-1916. Died 8-22-1916. Aged 3 days. Short service at house. Interment at Letort. Called to Adam Glick. Infant son, Henry Charles Glick, died.

Thursday, August 24

Partly clear. At funeral of Andrew Eidemiller, my step-father. Had body here at our home. Born December 9, 1839. Died 8-21-1916. Aged 76-8-17. Rev Christ Hostetter. Text, Rev. 1-7. Rev Noah Z. Hess. Text, Rev. 14-13. (His request). Bearers: John and Geo Warfel, Frances P. Hess, Benj Nissley. Small funeral at Pequea Brethren in Christ. Mother bore up very well. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Henry Charles, infant son of Adam and Ada Glick. Born 8-8-1916. Died 8-23-1916. Aged 15 days. Rev Martin Groff spoke at house only. I helped haul in hay, 2nd Crop, p.m. Beautiful day.

Friday, August 25

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Beautiful day. Quite cool in eve. Charles came home with me by auto this eve. He has decided to

leave Clara, his wife. I am sorry it has come to this, but not unexpected. Called to Geo Schmook to take charge of body of infant son, George. Also called to Martin Urban to take charge of body of Andrew A. Pegan. Walter and Blanche attended.

Saturday, August 26

Partly clear. At Lancaster till noon. At home down on farm p.m. At M. E. S.S. picnic in eve. Sold 2 hogs to Elmer Hoak. Weighed 171 and 153 @ 12 cents. \$38.88. Rec'd pay for same. Paid Amos Martin 90 cents for repairing mower. Very much warmer today.

Sunday, August 27

Partly clear. At preaching by Rev Shelley a.m. About home p.m. and eve. No Sunday school as Dr. Dixon, Health Commissioner, Harrisburg, issued a decree quarantining the same and all schools, etc., to September 18th. So we will abide by the law. Infantile paralysis. Charles here all day. Left for Lancaster this eve. Very pleasant day. Warm. Thunder gust and light rain in eve. Heavy hail storm last night and this eve. at Florin and vicinity.

Monday, August 28

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Andrew A. Pegan. Born 3-1-1831. Died 8-25-1916. Aged 85-5-13. Rev Martin Groff. Bearers: Arthur and Phares Urban, Edgar and Christ Hershock. Funeral at Highville U. B. Church, a.m. and funeral of Geo Wm Schmook, infant son of Geo and Dora. Born 1-28-1916. Died 8-25-1916. Aged 6 months and 27 days. Rev Abrm B. Herr. Bearers: Andrew Groff, Edgar Schmook, Orlean Warfel, Taylor Cunningham. Funeral at Byerland. Called for Ed Aston, Lancaster. Funeral Wednesday. Light shower a.m. and very much cooler.

Tuesday, August 29

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Blanche and

Walter took casket to Lancaster and placed body in, ready for funeral tomorrow. Quite cool all day.

Wednesday, August 30

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Blanche and Walter attending funeral of Edward L. Aston. Born 3-20-1894. Died 8-27-1916. Aged 22-5-7. Rev Jacob Thomas. Text, Amos 4-12. Bearers: Wm Sangrey, John Rankin, Chas L. Buckwalter, Victor Myers. Also at the same time, infant son of his. Born 8-28-1916. Died 8-30-1916. Aged 2 days. Were called to take charge this morning. Buried in the same grave in small white casket. Funeral at M. E. Church, Conestoga. Beautiful day.

Thursday, August 31

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Brought Lizzie Musser, a friend of wife, along out. Called to M.S. Lefever's to take charge of the body of his sister, Annie. Blanche and Walter went over this eve. John H Eshleman here to talk over family matter. Beautiful day. Warm.

Friday, September 1

Partly clear. At home all day working down on farm, etc. Called to take charge of body of Maria Witmer near Letort. Blanche and Walter attended. Charles came home this eve. Very warm all day.

Saturday, September 2

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster. Blanche along, a.m. Home p.m. and eve. Charles here. Paid John wages for August. \$20.00. Sold Elmer Hoak fat sow. Weighed 266 lbs. @ 11 cents. \$29.26. Rain this morning (light). Quite warm. Cooler in eve.

Sunday, September 3

Clear. Ther: 50. Went down to Eberley's to spend some time with Mother, wife, Charles and Andrew and I. J.W. Morrison took us down by auto. Blanche and Walter attended

funeral of Annie S. Lefever. Born 10-10-1851. Died 8-31-1916. Aged 64-10-21. Rev Wiest. Text, Matt 34-44. Bearers: Amos Charles, Willis Charles, Hebron and Frank Stehman, Saml Shoff, Walter Herr. Large funeral at Brick, New Danville. Beautiful day.

Monday, September 4

Partly clear. Ther: 51. At home all day working at auto and had it taken to Dombach's (Rock Hill), for repairs. Picking peaches, Charles and I. Blanche and Walter attended Maria M. Witmer. Born 9-4-1841. Died 9-1-1916. Aged 74-11-27. Rev Abrm B. Herr, John Charles Habecker. Text, Rev. 13-14. Bearers: Frank, Benj, and John Neff, Abrm Witmer, Benj Miller and Martin Witmer. Large funeral at Letort Mennonite Church. Beautiful day. Cool air all day.

Tuesday, September 5

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy. Charles left for Eddystone, Pa. Thrashers came this eve., ready to get thrashing tomorrow morning.

Wednesday, September 6

Partly clear. Thrashing and bailing straw a.m. Bailing hay p.m. (Charles Bender). Beautiful day and very warm.

Thursday, September 7

Partly clear. Finished bailing this noon. 16 ton hay, 5 ton straw, 105 bus wheat. Paid Charles Bender for thrashing and bailing. \$34.87 by check. Paid Frank Henry 75 cents. Paid Jacob Ressel for thrashing \$2.25 and driving at funerals, \$7.00. Very warm all day. Very light shower of rain last night.

Friday, September 8

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very warm. Thunder gust and very good rain at Lancaster but none here at home.

Saturday, September 9

Clear. At Lancaster till 3 p.m. At office till noon. Wife went to Lititz and Brunerville to see friends. Called to General Hospital to take charge of the body of Charles Madge, formerly of Soldiers and Sailors House, Bath, N.Y. Walter came in and brought body out by order of the County Commissioners. Will try and locate relatives. The body found on Ellses Island was identified this a.m. as that of Benj F. Rhoad, Marietta, who was last seen alive December 27, 1915 by Frank and Elizabeth McCann and W.L. Hershey. Will take remains to Marietta on Monday for burial. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day. (Cool).

Sunday, September 10

Clear. At Sunday school for adults only and preaching by Rev Shelley a.m. About home p.m. Went out to U. E. Church in eve. Beautiful day. Sun very warm but cool air all day.

Monday, September 11

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Walter took remains of Benj F. Rhoad to Marietta cemetery for burial. Born 8-20-1841. Last seen alive December 27, 1915. In his 76th year. An old soldier. Rec'd word this morning of the death of my old friend Ephram Shellenberger at Creswell. Walter took charge on way back from Marietta. C.C. Urban sold tobacco down on farm to Al L. Henry for Eisenlors for 15-5-2. Very pleasant day.

Tuesday, September 12

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy. Beautiful day.

Wednesday, September 13

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy all day. Walter and Blanche attended funeral of Ephram B. Shellenberger. Born 10-10-1844. Died 9-11-1916. Aged 71-11-1. Rev Sprecher.

Text, 2 Tim 4-8. Bearers: John Lutz, Jacob Hershey, John Gehr, Benj Souder. Funeral at Evangelical Church, Creswell. Also funeral of Chas Madge. About 75 years (entire stranger. Civil War veteran). Rev Miller had charge of burial services at Mt. Zion cemetery. Wife returned home this eve. Paid John Pries for digging grave. Beautiful day. Warm.

Thursday, September 14

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Sorry to hear that J. Harry Sherts, one of the clerks in the Records Office, committed suicide this morning (early) by gas at his home while on a sabbatical. Very busy all day. Quite warm all day.

Friday, September 15

Cloudy. At Lancaster a.m. Went to New Providence p.m. and bought 300 bluegill fish of Ed Hildebrand and fetched them along up by auto. Walter and I put them in new pond and about 150 quite small. Few catfish and 5 goldfish. Rained heavy last night and partly all day. Several very heavy showers. A much needed rain.

Saturday, September 16

Clear. At Lancaster till 1:30. Down on farm p.m. At IORM in eve. Called to Benj F. Markley, Safe Harbor, this morning to take charge of the body of Mrs. Lawrence, Mrs. Markley's Mother. Also called to Mountville to take charge of stillborn of Dombach. Buried at Letort Mennonite cemetery. Beautiful day. Very much cooler in eve. Feels like frost.

Sunday, September 17

Partly clear. Ther: 47. At Sunday school and down at Markley's with Blanche looking after body, a.m. About home and down on farm p.m. At church in eve. Rev Shelley preached a very good sermon on the sinlessness of Christ. Also announced his resignation as

pastor here to take effect in October. Beautiful day but cool.

Monday, September 18

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Maltilda Hollow's estate account confirmed by Orphan's Court. Cool all day.

Tuesday, September 19

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. David H. Hess estate sold home property opposite us for \$2,510 to Paul D. Trissler of this place and the farm in River Corner. 124 acres at \$67.00 per acre to Geo H. Hess. Blanche and Walter attended the funeral of Barbara D. Lawrence. Born 3-6-1830. Died 9-16-1916. Aged 85-6-16. Rev Martin Groff. Text, Rev. 22-11. Bearers: Ray Markley, Geo Lawrence, Harry Peters, John Sourbeer. Funeral at Highville U. B. Church. Very much cooler after fine rain last eve.

Wednesday, September 20

Clear. Ther: 45. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Rec'd check of J.R. Yentzer for peaches, \$45.00. The whole crop about \$50.00 besides what we used ourselves and gave to Oakwood. Rec'd of Elmer Hoak \$74.75 for fat hogs. Quite cool all day.

Thursday, September 21

Clear. Ther: 50. At Lancaster all day. Walter and Lloyd hauled lumber from Safe Harbor. Beautiful day. (Cool).

Friday, September 22

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Quite warm.

Saturday, September 23

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster till 1:30. At home and at sale of John M. Eckman's personal property in p.m. At IORM in eve. Had a very nice time. Thunder gust and good rain last night and sun very warm but cool air.

Sunday, September 24

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. About home and down on farm short time p.m. At home in eve. Cool all day. Especially in eve.

Monday, September 25

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy at J and M. Quite cool all day.

Tuesday, September 26

Partly clear. At Lancaster county fair. Wife along partly all day. Fine displays. Martin F. Brumbaugh, Governor of Pa. present and gave short address. Ralph Cramer (carpenter) repairing house. Beautiful day. Sun very warm. Air cool.

Wednesday, September 27

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Cramer finished at house for present. Beautiful day. Much warmer.

Thursday, September 28

Partly clear. Walter and wife, Mrs. Ressel and wife and I went to Lancaster by auto. They going to the fair. I was at office a.m. and at Manheim to see Mr. Beck's auto hearse with view of having one built, p.m. At home in eve. Very pleasant all day.

Friday, September 29

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche and Andrew along to dentist. Paid school tax this eve, \$27.06. Benj F. Hasting died very unexpectedly this morning while at breakfast. He was tax collector of Lancaster city for over 30 years. Raining partly all day and cool in eve.

Saturday, September 30

Partly clear. Ther: 42. At Lancaster till 2:30 p.m. Charles came out with me. At IORM in

eve. Paid Walter his wages this eve. for September. Quite cool all day.

Sunday, October 1

Clear. Ther: 40. At Sunday school a.m. About home p.m. At church in eve. Beautiful day but cool. Heavy frost this morning. (Killing).

Monday, October 2

Partly clear. Ther: 39. At Lancaster all day. Charles went to his work this noon. Left Lancaster at 12:55 p.m. Paid John wages for September, \$20.00, this eve. Cool all day. Very heavy frost damaging late tobacco. Papers state that over 1,000 acres damaged by frost in county.

Tuesday, October 3

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Mr. Baker came this eve. Cool all day and damp. Look as though it might rain.

Wednesday, October 4

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. John sowed wheat today. Cool air all day but sun warm.

Thursday, October 5

Clear. At Lancaster all day. John took out sweet potatoes. Brought some up for us. Said he kept 16 bus for themselves but told Albert Onney that he got 56 baskets full. We got about 15 or 16 baskets from him. Supposed to be our share. Bought Rev Shelley's horse carriage, harness, etc., for \$35.00 and paid him for same in cash. Beautiful day.

Friday, October 6

Partly clear. At Lancaster till noon. Beautiful day in p.m. Looked very much for rain in morning and quite warm.

Saturday, October 7

At Lancaster till noon. Down on farm and about home p.m. At IORM in eve. Had

installation of officers. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Sunday, October 8

Clear. At Sunday school and preaching and Holy Communion a.m. At home and took Rev Shelley to Willow Street (his home), he leaving his team here, p.m. Walter, Mrs. Annie Herr, Mrs. Martin Markley, wife and I went over to Rev Shelley's and spent the evening. A most beautiful day. Rather warm.

Monday, October 9

Partly clear. Ther: 81 at noon. At Lancaster all day. Blanche along in by auto. Reported that my man, John Oakwood, has gone to Eddystone to work. No regrets. Uncomfortably warm all day and eve. Light rain in p.m. High wind in eve.

Tuesday, October 10

Partly clear. Ther: 39 in morning. At Lancaster all day. Great change in weather. Very much cooler. Overcoats very comfortable.

Wednesday, October 11

Clear. Down on farm all day. Delivered wheat to Fred H. Sickman. Lloyd Henry took it down for me and I was working around place all day. Very tired this eve. Old agreement all void. Frank Henry and I went down to Oakwood's this morning and talked matters over with regard to John leaving and their staying on till spring. They will stay rent free in consideration of Lloyd feeding and attending to stock, going to mill, etc. Will pay him \$10.00 for one month for doing fall work, corn fodder, etc., etc. Beautiful day. Heavy frost this morning.

Thursday, October 12

Clear. Down on farm all day. Brought chickens up this morning, 37, and the three geese this eve. Left fully that many chickens down for Oakwoods and 1 goose. Brought up

three chicken coops. Sent balance of wheat to mill and bought 1,000 lb. white shif. Fred H. Sickman, 83 bus @ 142 = \$118.09 less \$17.00 for shif. Rec'd check for \$101.09. Sowed some wheat this p.m. (Broad cast). Quite cool this morning. Warm during day.

Friday, October 13

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. David W. Hess child was reported to have infantile paralysis. First in this section this season. Hope it is not correct. Cooler. Commenced raining about 11 a.m. Rained all of p.m. Much cooler in eve.

Saturday, October 14

Clear. Working down on farm. Sowed rye on sweet potato patch for fertilizer, etc., a.m. To Safe Harbor, Rock Hill, Long Lane, etc., subpoenaing witnesses for Penna Water Power Co. for Monday 16 Inst. At IORM and at A.R. Caldwell's in eve. The Ladies Aid Society held a supper for benefit of church (U. E.). Mrs. Sterneman, Amos and David's Mother, died this morning. Blanche and Walter attended. Cool all day. Quite cool in eve.

Sunday, October 15

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. Walter and wife, Mrs. Ressel, Blanche and I took auto trip to Colemanville, Pequea by old road and new road from Pequea to River Hill school. Then to Shenk's Ferry, stopping on the way to see my old friend, Wash Martin (Colored). Very glad to see us. And then home. Enjoyed the trip very much. At church in the eve. Rev Shelley preached his farewell sermon. Rather cool all day but an ideal day for autoing. Light rain in eve.

Monday, October 16

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. C.C. Urban and Martin Graver commenced husking corn this morning. Had the Matilda Hollow estate

confirm by court this morning. Light rain last night. Damp all day. Fine shower in eve.

Tuesday, October 17

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Annie Sterneman, the oldest resident of our township. Born 4-6-1821. Died 10-14-1916. Aged 95-6-8. Rev Clarence Howell. Text, 1 Saml 20-3. Bearers: Fred H. Sickman, Harry Eckman, John and Eli Kendig, Mart Smith, John R. Good. Funeral at M. E. Church. Sold 4 hogs to Elmer Hoak. 434 lbs. @ 13-1/2 cents. \$56.59. Damp and cool. Much cooler in eve.

Wednesday, October 18

Partly clear. Ther: 28. At Lancaster all day. Coldest morning of the season. Ice. Cold raw air all day.

Thursday, October 19

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche along. Rec'd word this eve of the death of Rudolph Kline. Blanche and Walter attended. Raining partly all day. A very good, much needed rain.

Friday, October 20

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy getting the assessment books ready for the assessors. Quite warm all day. Rain in the eve.

Saturday, October 21

Partly clear. At Lancaster till 11:30 a.m. Came home and helped finish husking corn and hauled in same. Paid C.C. Urban \$9.80 for husking. At IORM in eve. We had 7 adoptions. C.H. Kreider, Geo Kneisley, Paul Trissler, Wesley Benedict, Dewey Warfel, Marvin Ressel and Oscar Hess. Cool all day.

Sunday, October 22

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. Walter Ressel and Ira Markley were enlightened. About home and at joint

consistory meeting in p.m. with regard supplies and with view of inviting on trial. Buried stillborn for Ralph and Esther Martin at Marticville M. E. cemetery this p.m. Cool with heavy frost in morning. Beautiful day. Cooler in eve.

Monday, October 23

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Jacob F. Murry along in to see Co. Commissioners about bridge work. He got the job through my recommendation. Paid Martin M. Graver for husking corn, \$8.00 in full. Fannie May Fry and brother here this eve. (Green Hill). Walter and Blanche attended funeral of Rudolph Kline. Born 4-7-1843. Died 10-19-1916. Aged 73-6-12. Rev Mart Groff. Bearers: Frank and Wm Warfel, John Campbell, Harrison Bear, Harrison Brady, Amos Good. Very heavy frost and cool all day.

Tuesday, October 24

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very heavy frost and very heavy for later. So dense that I had to stop and wipe off shield glass of auto.

Wednesday, October 25

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Lloyd Henry had team to take his mother and Ada Zercher to Lancaster. Cool all day.

Thursday, October 26

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Wife and Blanche along and Walter and wife and Mary Kreider. They were all at S.S. convention at St. Paul's Reformed Church. At IORM hall in eve. making final arrangements for our 50th anniversary. Pleasant day but cool.

Friday, October 27

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy in office. Mr. Diller S. W., Rep Co Chairman and Co Comm, made a political prediction that New York, Ohio, Missouri, New Jersey and

would not be surprised if every state north of M&D line from Maine to California would go Republican on November 7th. Beautiful but cool.

Saturday, October 28

Clear. A very busy day for the Tribe of Red Men #65 here celebrating the 50th anniversary and the 2nd annual convention of Red Men and being Chairman of the executive committee. We had a great time. Estimates have it that about 2,000 persons were present and an ideal day. The session in the evening was open to the public. The 2nd floor of the casket factory was filled to overflow. A number of speakers among which were P.G. Si Wm H. Long of Hanover who seemed that he had the audience spell bound. A great speaker. A great day.

Sunday, October 29

Clear. At Sunday school a.m. About home and down on farm p.m. At church in eve. Rev Walter Pugh preached for us. Beautiful day. Heavy frost this morning.

Monday, October 30

Partly cloudy. At Safe Harbor looking after the painters on county bridge. Not making very clean job of cleaning. From there to Lancaster. In office a.m. Went along with Commissioners to Safe Harbor with regard to bridge. After looking it over they, not being pleased with the work, engaged Daniel Witmer to superintend the job and report to the Commissioners. Back to office and home in eve. Very foggy in morning and rather damp all day.

Tuesday, October 31

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche along in by auto. At IORM hall in eve. Settling up our anniversary affairs. Paid Walter for October. Very foggy in morning and damp all day.

Wednesday, November 1

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy getting ballots ready for election. Sent Charles trunk to Lancaster by stage but they had moved to Philadelphia. Beautiful November day. Cooler in eve.

Thursday, November 2

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy all day. Had a pole raising and Hughes and Fairbanks political meeting at A.S. Benedict's store. Chas G. Baker, esq., Col. John M. Groff, esq., and Hon. John H. Landis were the speakers. Good attendance and order. Beautiful day. Cool in eve.

Friday, November 3

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Shipped out ballots today. Cold in morning. Pleasant day.

Saturday, November 4

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Working in office till 3:30 p.m. At IORM in eve. Paid C.C. Urban for hauling corn fodder in full. \$2.00. Cool all day. Rain in p.m. Colder in eve.

Sunday, November 5

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching by Mr. Sayers, F & M student of Lancaster. Took dinner with us, a.m. At home and walked down on farm p.m. At home in eve. Wife went down to see Mrs. J. R. Yentzer who is not very well. Cold raw air all day. Feels very much like snow. Had snow 25 years ago today.

Monday, November 6

Cloudy. At Lancaster. Very busy in office a.m. Went along with Commissioners Shirk and Magee to Safe Harbor to inspect iron bridge being painted at this time, p.m. In office balance of day. Home in eve. Damp raw cold air all day. Reports are that a few flakes of snow fell last night (late).

Tuesday, November 7

Partly clear. At election all day. 233 votes polled. Hugh's and Fairbanks, 183. Wilson and Marshall, 22. Harley and —, 16. Went to Lancaster in eve. Everything looks rather favorable to the Republican nominees till late in night where it looked more favorable to Wilson. Rather cool air all day.

Wednesday, November 8

Partly clear. At Lancaster till 11:30 a.m. Was in all night. Looks very doubtful for Republican success. Attended sale of personal property of David H. Hess. Large sale and good prices. Pleasant all day. Cold raw air.

Thursday, November 9

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Commissioners began tabulating votes at noon. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Jacob H. Good. Born 8-27-1846. Died 11-5-1916. Aged 70-2-8. Rev Miller and Groff. Bearers: Martin and Ray Smith, Harrison Good, Harry Eckman, Christ and Edgar Hershock. Very large funeral at M. E. Church, Conestoga. Mr. and Mrs. Hardester of Baltimore arrived this eve. and will spend some time with us. Beautiful day.

*Missing pages for November 10 and 11*

Sunday, November 12

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. Down on the old farm in p.m. Mr. Hardester along. At home in eve. Began raining about 3:30 p.m. Cold raw damp air all day.

Monday, November 13

Cloudy. At Lancaster. Left office 3 p.m. with commissioners to inspect the Safe Harbor bridge which has just been finished painting. Looks to be good job. Came home from there, they are going through to Lancaster.

Dr. J.H. Mayer of Willow Street died this p.m. Very damp all day. Cool.

Tuesday, November 14

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very damp and very much colder.

Wednesday, November 15

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Called to Charles Campbell's this eve. near Safe Harbor to take charge of the body of his wife, Fanny. Blanche and Walter attended. Very much colder. First snow of the season fell last night.

Thursday, November 16

Clear. Ther: 18. At Lancaster all day. Spent evening at E.L. Bortzfield's. Mr. and Mrs. Hardester, wife and I very pleasantly. Very much colder. Great change in the weather.

Friday, November 17

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Called to Geo W. Myers last night to take charge of the body of Mrs. Myers' Mother (Mrs. Stoker). Blanche and Walter attended. Moved body to home of Mrs. David Weidelich, Marticville this p.m. Cold raw damp air all day.

Saturday, November 18

Clear. Took roughbox to Green Hill cemetery and then via Neff's farm to ore mine farm. Took general survey of same and find a great deal of work that must be done, especially in the orchards and a general cleaning up. Home till noon. Down on Musser farm, etc., p.m. Made arrangements with Harry Jenkins to shred fodder on Monday, p.m. Beautiful day. Cold.

Sunday, November 19

Clear. At Sunday school and a very good sermon by Dr. Krebs, a.m. About home p.m. and eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Fanny R., wife of Charles C.

Campbell. Born January 1, 1885. Died 11-15-1916. Aged 31-10-14. Rev Martin Groff. Text, St. John 14-1. Bearers: Harrison Brady, Wm and Frank Warfel, Owen Good, Norman Jackson, Harrison Beach. Very large, sad funeral at Green Hill Church, River Corner. Beautiful day.

Monday, November 20

Clear. Down on farm (ore mine). Harry Eckman and I trimming peach trees and digging around them a.m. Shredding corn fodder p.m. (Harry Jenkins). Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mary E. Stokes. Born 11-23-1842. Died 11-16-1916. Aged 73-11-23. Rev Howell spoke at house. Rev Geo Paul Beck. Text, 1 Thes 4-16. Bearers: Ira and Jacob Huber, Eugene and Victor Myers, Ray and Edgar Stokes. Very large funeral at Byerland O. M. Church. Beautiful day.

Tuesday, November 21

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Butchered 1 hog. Weighed about 150 lbs. Harry Eckman and Howard Duke working down in orchard. Beautiful day. Cold.

Wednesday, November 22

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Took auto to Edgerley to have undertaker's wagon body put on same. Sebastian Sweigart was buried here in Reformed cemetery this a.m. Harry Eckman and Howard Duke working in orchard. Very heavy frost and cold all day.

Thursday, November 23

At Lancaster all day. Raining partly all day. A very much needed rain before wintering. Cool all day.

Friday, November 24

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Mr. and Mrs. Hardester returned to Baltimore this p.m. after spending two weeks here. Very much colder. Very good rain last night.

Saturday, November 25

Partly clear. Down in orchard on ore mine farm a.m. and on Musser farm p.m. At IORM in eve. Paid Harry Eckman for working in orchard, \$6.63 and Howard Duke, \$6.00. Paid Harry Jenkins for shredding fodder, \$3.00. Harry Eckman helping, 75 cents. Charles Kreider helping, 65 cents. Lloyd Henry helping, 50 cents. Lloyd Henry home orchard, 25 cents. Coldest day of this fall and cold high wind partly all day.

Sunday, November 26

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. At church in eve. Rev Stauffer of Centre Co. preached for us (trial sermon). A very good sermon and able speaker. Am pleased. A number of the Willow Street people came along over. Cold raw air all day.

Monday, November 27

Clear. Down on ore mine farm working in orchard. Harry Eckman and Howard Duke helping. Very tired this eve. Beautiful day. Cold in morning.

Tuesday, November 28

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche along. Conestoga Creek partly frozen over above Levan's mill. Cold all day. Moderating in eve.

Wednesday, November 29

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Damp all day. Rain p.m. and eve. Moderating very much.

Thursday, November 30

About home. Trimmed grape vines and some of apple and peach over on Miller property. Blanche out at Conrad Z. Hess at infare of son Avory. Thanksgiving day. We have surely got many blessings to be thankful for individually and as a nation. Fine rain last night and early morning. Pleasant in p.m. and some colder.

Friday, December 1

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Quite a number of assessors made their returns. Called to a Wm T. Gainer last night to take charge of body of his wife. Blanche and Walter attended. Paid Harry Eckman \$4.50 for work done in orchard to date. Cold raw air all day. Colder in eve.

Saturday, December 2

Partly clear. At Lancaster. Very busy in office a.m. Received new Ford auto. 1917 model of Eshbach and Eshbach, Millersville, \$378 cash. We went to Creswell, Millersville, Lancaster. Returned home via Millersville. Are very much pleased with it. Hope it is ok. Rec'd word to meet a body at Safe Harbor Monday morning at R.R. station and convey to Highville U. B. cemetery for interment. Beautiful day but cold raw air.

Sunday, December 3

Partly cloudy. Brought Dr. Krebs from trolley who preached for us a very good sermon and at Sunday school a.m. At home and took the Dr. To Benj Mylin's this p.m. He is to preach at Willow Street this eve. Dr. Krebs, Mary and Clara Kreider and Ruth Zercher took dinner with us. Cold damp air all day. Rain in eve.

Monday, December 4

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Elizabeth G., wife of Wm T. Gainer. Born 7-7-1844. Died 11-30-1916. Aged 72-4-23. Rev Howell. Text, Rev. 14-13. Bearers: Aaron Rineer, Henry Rice, Levi Warfel, Chas Rhoads, Fitzline Neil, Aldus Erb. Large funeral at Colemanville. Also met train at Safe Harbor and took body of Mrs. Hissler, to Highville U. B. Church and interned in cemetery. Burial service only. Damp raw air all day. Light rain last night.

Tuesday, December 5

Partly clear. Ther: 70. Butchered 2 hogs this a.m. My first helping for some time. Down on farm Harry Eckman and I. We took down the wire fence along road from the lane to the ore mine lane and will not have any fence there. Maud Graver, daughter of M.M. Graver, and wife was married today. Light rain in morning. Most beautiful day in part of a.m. and all of p.m. Regular summer day.

Wednesday, December 6

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Blanche along. Rec'd word this p.m. of the death of Mrs. Frank Miller, Marticville. Blanche and Walter took charge. Walter butchered his 2 hogs today. Great change in the weather. Cold and very high wind all day.

Thursday, December 7

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Walter David, infant son of Walter and Martha Glick Herr. Born 7-15-1916. Died 12-4-1916. Aged 4 months and 19 days. Rev Martin Groff. Text, Job 14-14. Rev Saml G. Kauffman spoke. Bearers: John and Oscar Sneath, Benj and Harry Eshleman. Large funeral at Stehman's U. B. Church. Cold raw air all day.

*Missing pages for December 8, 9, 10 and 11*

Tuesday, December 12

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy all day. Went in by auto. Had hard traveling coming home on account of snow. Snowing partly all day. Had snowed last night about 6 inches deep. Colder.

Wednesday, December 13

Partly clear. At Lancaster by auto. Wife along. Roads very much better. Busy in office. Beautiful winter day. Storm arose in eve. and had a regular blizzard. Snowing very fine.

Thursday, December 14

At Lancaster all day. Went by auto. Had quite a time getting in. Roads drifted quite a good deal. Went through drifts 2 feet deep. Stuck several times. Roads very much better in eve. Cold raw wind all day.

Friday, December 15

Cloudy. Working about home a.m. At sale of Eli Warfel's personal Property p.m. Bought 2 rolls of wire fencing, \$4.25, paid and paid Fred H. Sickman \$25.00 hay on ore mine farm and balance of straw, then at home in eve. Snowing partly all day. The heaviest snow for some years so early in season. Fully 10 inches of snow fell since early this morning. Beautiful snow. No wind and not very cold. Clear in eve.

Saturday, December 16

Partly clear. Working about home all day. Filed saws, shoveling snow, etc. Sold sleigh to John Z. Wade. Had him repair radiator for Saxon auto. Blanche, Walter's wife and Andrew went to Lancaster this morning. Paid Jacob Ressel to date, \$7.75. Commenced drifting. Blowing very hard at noon. Roads closed at places. Must take to fields. Snow fully 12 inches deep. The coldest day of the season. Therm not above 14 degrees any time today.

Sunday, December 17

Partly clear. Ther: 7. At Sunday school and practicing Christmas services a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Very cold. Moderating in p.m. Coldest morning. Plenty of sleighs running today.

Monday, December 18

Partly cloudy. Ther: 0. At Lancaster all day. Went down to Eberley's this eve to see Mother and stay all night. Snowing p.m. and very cold all day. Therm 6 below at places in county.

Tuesday, December 19

Partly clear. Ther: 10. At Lancaster all day. Spent a very pleasant evening last night at Eberley's. Found all well. Cold all day. Roads closed at quite a few places with snow drifts.

Wednesday, December 20

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Went by trolley. Cold and rather damp. Looks very much like more snow.

Thursday, December 21

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy getting assessors books ready. Went in by sleigh. Came home by trolley. Paid Howard Duke 75 cents balance due for orchard work. Light rain last night. Very damp and sloppy all day. Moderated very much since yesterday.

Friday, December 22

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Rain last night and a.m. Snow melting fast. Clearing p.m. and very much colder and very high wind blowing. A regular gale. Phones out of service.

Saturday, December 23

Partly clear. At Lancaster till 2:30 p.m. At home balance of day. At IORM in eve. Acting as C of R for B.F. Hookey, he going to spend the holidays with his daughter, Mrs. H.M. Herbert. Cold all day.

Sunday, December 24

Partly clear. At Sunday school. Treated school to 1 lb. chocolates and orange and practiced Christmas service for tomorrow eve., a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Pleasant day. Cold. Look very much for snow.

Monday December 25

Partly clear. At home all day. Spent a very pleasant Xmas. God was very kind to us this past year. Had our Xmas service at Reformed Church. The children did their part very well

and a large attendance. Cold raw air all day. Ideal Xmas weather. Sleighing very good.

Tuesday, December 26

Partly clear. At Lancaster till 3 p.m. I came home so early on account of poor trolley service on Pequea road. Beautiful winter day.

Wednesday, December 27

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy all day. Rec'd word this eve. to come to Henry Harnish, Long Lane, to take charge of body of Elizabeth Buckwalter. Blanche and Walter attended. Mrs. Caroline Bruner of Columbia, H.F. Bruner's widow, died today. Damp and raining partly all day. Moderating.

Thursday, December 28

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Moderated. Rained last night and a.m.

Friday, December 29

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Rec'd word this p.m. of the death of Cyrus Gontner, Highville. Walter and Blanche attended. Cold all day but beautiful winter weather.

Saturday, December 30

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster. Wife along. She went to Columbia to funeral of her aunt, Mrs. H.F. Bruner. At IORM in eve. Served as C of R for B.F. Hookey. Elizabeth G. Buckwalter. Born 11-7-1848. Died 12-27-1916. Aged 68-1-27. Revs Abrm Herr and Jacob Thomas. Bearers: Harry, Isaac and John Harnish and John Warfel. Small funeral at Mennonite Church, River Corner. Cold raw air all day. Snow squalls about noon.

Sunday, December 31

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. by our newly elected pastor, Rev Geo Stauffer. His wife being with him, they took

dinner with us and spent part of p.m. At home in eve. Beautiful winter day. Cold.

## 1916

Another year has come to a close. We can scarcely realize how rapidly they go by and with grateful hearts we thank God for His kindness shown us as a family and as a nation. While other nations are warring with each other, we are yet permitted to live in peace with prosperity abounding everywhere. May His blessings continue with us and May we enter the new year determined to live better lives than ever before is my prayer.

Work done in ore mine farm orchard

Harry W. Eckman: \$6.63

Howard Duke: \$6.00

Harry W. Eckman: \$4.50

Howard Duke: \$6.00

Harry Eckman: \$2.00

Jacob Ressel: .75

Howard Duke: .75

\$26.63

Bought wire fencing for farm, \$4.25

Hay in barn, \$25.00

## Addendum

Mary S. Miller, born 8-25-1856. Died 12-6-1916. Aged 60-3-11. Rev. Jacob Thomas, text 1 Peter 1-3&5. Bearers: Lloyd and William Brimmer, John and Harry Stillinger, Ira Miller and Wm Prang. Very large funeral at brick church New Danville.