

## Diary of Andrew J. Zercher

1905 Transcribed by Kathy Brabson

Sunday, January 1

Rec'd this book from my son Charles as a Christmas present, and appreciate it very much. At Sunday, school. The following officers were elected for the year 1905: Supt. A.J. Zercher; Asst. Supt. A.M. Charles; Secy. Clara Eshleman; Treas. Mrs. J.R. Yentzer; Organist Blanche B. Zercher; Asst. Organist Roy Bortzfield. Rehearsed service for this evening a.m.; at home p.m. At church in eve. Had Christmas service, very large attendance. Collection \$6.74, which was given to Womelsdorf's Orphans' Home. Very beautiful day; just like spring. P. clear.

Monday, January 2

At mill all day posting books, etc. Hired John Rhinier for another year from April 1, 1905 for \$10 per month to do my farm work in connection with the mill. Port Arthur surrendered yesterday to the Japanese General Stessel; said he would ne'er surrender, but he surrendered. Rec'd word of my attorney John M. Groff that he received our charter for the Lancaster and Safe Harbor Electric Railway. Very pleasant; more like spring than mid-winter. P. clear.

Tuesday, January 3

About home all day, writing, etc., etc. Raining and sleeting a.m. Snowing very fast and stormy p.m. Quite a blizzard in eve. Very much colder. Cloudy.

Wednesday, January 4

About home all day. Rec'd word this p.m. of a man being shot on the grounds of #1 camp by the comesary (sic) man. Died about 4 p.m. J.W. Morrison and I were to come down at once but on account of the drifted conditions of the roads we will not go till tomorrow

morning, as we may not be able to get through. Cold and stormy all day. Snow drifting all day. P. clear.

Thursday, January 5

Went to Martic Forge near Frank Rice to commissary #1, and took charge of the body of Mille Crever, the Slavish laborer that was shot there yesterday about 1:30 and died a few minutes after four p.m., by H.H. Klenzing, the man who had charge of the comesary, who wanted to put a partition through one of the shacks to accommodate more men. Jury Levi W. Warfel, Frank Rice, Maynard Warfel, A.J. Zercher, Edw. Gardner, and F. and J.W. Morrison, Dept. Coroner and B.F. Good, M.D. fetched body to long house. He was shot in center of forehead above nose. Bullet passed out on right side above temple-- a.m. Went to Lancaster for casket, etc. Saw our charter for the Lancaster—Safe Harbor Trolley at John M. Groff office. Cold all day. P. cloudy. Ther. 14.

Friday, January 6

Went to Safe Harbor to see about arranging for burial of Slav. Left check for freight on car corn with Mrs. Gramling; could not get down on account of steam shovel in road, a.m. Lined casket, washed and dressed body, and put in casket. Snowed last night and some this a.m. Raining p.m. Heavy rain and storm in eve, not cold. P. clear.

Saturday, January 7

Charles took rough box out to Mt. Zion Cemetery, and I dressed body and put in casket and got everything ready for burial, a.m. Buried Mille Crever's body this p.m. in the free ground lot on right side of main entrance near Samuel Duke's lot. We will bury north from this if there should be any more marking this. No. One. His two brothers were here to see him being laid to his final resting place. A sad sight. Charles drove out

on small hearse, and I walked out with the brothers. I paid John Pries \$1.50 for digging grave at Safe Harbor. In p.m., could not cross creek. At IORM in eve. The Kerbaugh Company guarantees payment. Muddy; cold raw wind. P. clear. \$47 paid.

Sunday, January 8

At Sunday school and preaching by Rev. Mr. Shelby, a.m. At home p.m. Samuel Herr and wife (Ollie Harnish) and Earl Pries and Miss Sue Harnish here for dinner and supper and spent the p.m. very pleasantly with us. At home in eve. Very pleasant a.m. Much colder p.m. P. cloudy.

Monday, January 9

Took carriage pole to A.M. Martin's to have repaired, etc., a.m. Took 2 fat hogs (small) to M.H. Groff's this p.m. at 6 ½ per lb. dressed. Went to Safe Harbor, could not get over to mill on account of creek being too high. It looks very much as though there might be trouble on account of the ice. Cold raw wind all day. P. cloudy.

Tuesday, January 10

At Lancaster. Took Blanche along in. She will spend a few days at Mr. Bruner's, her grandfather. Saw John M. Groff Esq. about surveyor for trolley line. Had not made any arrangements yet. Saw county commissioners about Safe Harbor Bridge. They will take the matter up at once. Samuel Diller called them by phone, but the supt. was not in. Saw Senator Heidelbaugh who is personally acquainted with the Mr. Ayers and will take the matter up at once. I told him it would be a feather on his hat if he could act promptly. He gave me the assurance that he would. The Lancaster Trust Co. will sell the mill at Safe Harbor in the near future. Paid \$20 on

Harry Rhinier's rent to them. Pleasant but cold in eve. P. clear.

Wednesday, January 11

About home all day writing out by-laws for IORM and working about barn. Snowing, sleeting, etc. Partly cloudy all day.

Thursday, January 12

Writing partly all day and doing work about the barn. Cold and stormy.

Friday, January 13

At Safe Harbor to see H.H. Kurtz about surveying trolley road (preliminary) but did not find home. J.R. Yentzer along down a.m. About home writing, etc., p.m. Cold all day. Very raw wind. P. cloudy.

Saturday, January 14

Working about home a.m. and at mill, etc., p.m. Cold, p. cloudy. Ther. 14.

Sunday, January 15

At Sunday school a.m. Went to Harry Jenkins-wife, Charles, and I-- for dinner and spend the afternoon. Had a very pleasant time. At church in eve. Very cold and raw.

Monday, January 16

At Lancaster on business. Returned home p.m. Cold all day.

Tues, January 17

About house; should have went to mill but did not get down. Cold all day.

Wednesday, January 18

At mill posting books, etc. Cold all day.

Thursday, Jan 19

J.R. Yentzer drove to Safe Harbor to see H.H. Kurtz about surveying trolley line but did not find him home again. Cold all day.

Friday, January 20

At mill all day posting books, etc. Cold all day.

Saturday, January 21

About house a.m. Attending township primary in p.m. in absence of the constable. I organized the meeting and had polls open formally at 3 o'clock p.m. A very large crowd of railroad men were here and voted. Not very creditable to those who brought them here. There were 396 votes polled. Made final arrangements with Mr. H.H. Kurtz that Joseph McDivett should go ahead and be overseer. Cold but pleasant.

Sunday, January 22

At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home p.m. and eve. M.H. Groff, wife, and five children called this eve. And spent a pleasant time. Very pleasant day.

Monday, January 23

At Lancaster, J.W. Morrison along in. Attended to some business. Partly trolley and others. Paid R.B. Baker for last lot of flour. Rec'd \$34.00 less \$.30 bill; came home about 4 p.m. Cold raw windy all day. Partly clear.

Tuesday, January 24

At mill posting books a.m. Started surveying for trolley line at Safe Harbor, came up on south side of road to Conestoga Centre as far as B.B. Rummel's place this p.m. Jos. McDivett was surveyor. Mr. Jonas Shenk, J.R. Yentzer, and myself are the committee of Survey. I have the honor of being the only one on the committee being present p.m. Cold all day. Light snow a.m. and part of p.m. but snowed real fast toward eve. Cloudy all day.

Wednesday, January 25

About home all of a.m. Settled with John C. Zercher to date he earned during the year \$86.95. Paid him in count of that \$59.50. His mill bill for the year was \$42.74, plus milk,

etc. + 4.14, total \$46.88. Balance due me \$19.43. About home p.m. Snowing and blowing all day. Fully 12 in. of snow fell and drifting and getting much colder. Ther. down to 10 above this eve. Snowing all day.

Thursday, January 26

About home all day. Rec'd word this a.m. of the sudden death of Levi Mann near Creswell, but the roads are not passable, and phoned back that I will be up this p.m. or tomorrow morning. Not able to go this p.m. Will try it tomorrow morning. The roads are terrible drifted and still drifting. Stormed all last night and all day today. Down to zero this morning and very cold all day. This is the heaviest snowstorm since 1899, February 15.

Friday, January 27

Went to Levi Mann's this morning. On account of the drifted condition I was obliged to walk to and from Safe Harbor. Mart Groff (Miller) drove me from Safe Harbor to Mann's near Creswell. Took charge of body. He is very stout; will take extra size casket. 6 ft. long, 27 in. wide, and 16 in. deep. Returned home about 1 p.m. Tried to phone to Harrisburg Burial Case Co. for casket, but on account of bad condition of phone, was obliged to drive to Lancaster city to send in order. Returned home about 6 p.m. Very tired. Supervisor M.B. Good had a large force of men opening roads. Cloudy all day and damp raw air. Charles shoveled snow on road all day.

Saturday, January 28

Went up to see after body of Levi Mann, and rec'd word of the death of Christian Henry of Safe Harbor. Stopped on way back from Mann's and took charge of body. Funeral on Tuesday, morning at 10 a.m. About home p.m. Harry Jenkins fetched caskets along out from Lancaster. Snowing very fast this a.m. for about 1 hour. At IORM in eve.

Sunday, January 29

M.B. Good and I took rough box for Levi B. Mann to Creswell Evangelical Church. Just as we were ready to start, Dr. came for me to go with him to Mr. McWilliams. Their infant child died early this morning at Safe Harbor. He being the supt. for H.S. Kerbaugh & Co. Went down and Charles took child along home to our place until I receive orders what to do with it, a.m. Working in shop all p.m. and eve. Very busy now. Cold all day. Pleasant in p.m. It looked as though we might have nice weather, but it commenced to snow this eve.

Monday, January 30

Paid: casket & case \$75; blanket \$2.50; sheaf \$1. \$78.50. Attending funeral of Levi B. Mann. Born 6-26-\_\_ . Died January 26, 1905, aged \_\_. Rev. Mr. Mengel preached from St. Matt. 24-44 and 25-13. Bearers: Adam Fry, Ezra Manning, E.A. Kauffmann, Jacob Murry, Frank Eshleman, B.K. Eshleman. 20 carriages, large funeral. The largest casket I have used since I am in business. Measured 31 inches from out to out. Had to unhook the inside doors to go through. Everything passed off very nicely, and family well pleased. And I feel very much relieved. M.B. Good drove for me my horses. Snowing this morning, but pleasant afterwards. Very cold a.m. Raw, damp air all day. Ther. 10.

Tuesday, January 31

Attending funeral of Christian B. Henry, born \_\_, died \_\_, aged \_\_. Rev. Mr. Bond spoke from Eccles. 8:8. Bearers: Benny K. Lawyer, Geo. Kise, Godfried Grossman, B.F. Hookey. 6 sleighs, a.m. About Lancaster in p.m. Mr. McWilliams here to see about shipping body of his infant son and to see casket. Expressed himself as being very much pleased with my work. Will ship it to Hollidaysburg tomorrow.

Very cold this morning. It is reported that the therm. was 10 below and 12 below at Shoff's. Casket 35.00 + Shroud 6.50= 41.50. Ther. 5.

Wednesday, February 1

Took body of Martin Rolles McWilliams, infant son of Supt. of Kerbaugh & Co. at Safe Harbor and shipped it to Hollidaysburg, Pa, for burial. Born Jan'y. 27-05, died Jan'y. 29-05, age 2 days. A. Kyle Rolles accompanied it, and I fetched my stools from John Henry's, a.m. Working about home all day. Cold and cloudy all day. Casket \$20.00. Paid. 2 below.

Thursday, February 2

Groundhog Day, very cold all day and he certainly saw his shadow. So we can expect 6 weeks more of cold rough weather. Went to Martin Manning's sale, p.m. Did not buy very much, only one halter. Very cold all day. Ther. 6 above.

Friday, February 3

At mill all day posting books, etc. Very cold all day. This was the coldest day of the winter that is all day. Ther. 1 above.

Saturday, February 4

At mill partly all day. Rec'd pay of H.S. Kerbaugh & Co. for burial of Slavs buried some time ago and Mr. McWilliams paid me for his child's casket. Cold all day. Rec'd check of Wm. W. Brown for \$100.00 on ground rent. Ther. 0.

Sunday, February 5

At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Manny and Cora Miller and Charles Eberly and Mrs. Keen spent the eve. with us. Charles went out sleighing. Cold all day; snowing and sleeting in eve. One of the houses at Safe Harbor next to company store used as a clubhouse was destroyed by

fire last night. It was a finely furnished house inside. Ther. 1 below.

Monday, February 6

At Lancaster by sleigh (mail); had intended driving in but Charles had horse in a.m. Charles had sleigh last eve and had an upset breaking sleigh, etc. Had charter for trolley line recorded today. Paid \$5.00 for survey. Brought things along out for house and brought car shifs from Mr. Adams for Baughman's & Co., Phila. Adrian Red Dog shif, \$21.50 per ton. Cold and damp, moderating; not near so cold as yesterday. P. cloudy.

Tuesday, February 7

Helped wife to wash this a.m. Went to mill, p.m. Cold all day.

Wednesday, February 8

Wife and I went down to mothers this morning. She staid (sic) there and I went to John M. Wimer's sale in p.m. Bought a rug that Mrs. Wimer (Mrs. Keene's mother) made and bought cow and calf and chairs for 51.50. Will have 10 months credit. Came home this eve about 8 o'clock p.m. Very cold this morning. Cold raw wind all day.

Thursday, February 9

Working about house all day. Cleaned stables, etc. Sent heifer down to mill this afternoon for cow bought yesterday. Moderated very much from yesterday.

Friday, February 10

Went down to John M. Wimer's after cow and calf I bought on Wednesday,. Took dinner at Sister Lizzie's. Ed. Bitts was along. He fetched the horse along up that Wm. Bitts bought at the same sale and helped me with cow. We arrived home at 5 o'clock p.m. Tired. Cold raw wind all day. Partly clear. Gave John M. Wimer my note payable at the Uldison

Trust Co. for \$50.00, 10 months after date. H.N. Eberly endorsed for me.

Saturday, February 11

About home a.m. Went to Safe Harbor mill, etc. p.m. At IORM in eve. Cold all day.

Sunday, February 12

At Sunday school a.m. At house p.m. and eve. No church in eve. Raining and sleeting in p.m. and eve. Moderating.

Monday, February 13

About house partly all day. Working about barn, etc. M.H. Groff, butcher, fetched calf; it weighed 135 lbs. @  $6\frac{1}{2}$  = 8.77. Snowed and blowed part of the day very cold. Ther. 2 below.

Tuesday, February 14

Working about house a.m. Went to sale of Henry H. and Joseph Aston in p.m. Bought tobacco lath, 1 horse plow, and Paris Green sprayer. Cold all day. Car corn and oats came in this morning, commenced unloading this noon. Ther. 6 above.

Wednesday, February 15

At mill all day; finished unloading car corn and oats. It is very nice grain. Very cold all day and much colder this eve. The ther. was only 8 above zero at 10 o'clock today. My 48<sup>th</sup> birthday, have a great many things to be thankful for. And will try in my weakness to live a better life in the future. Still a little closer to God. Ther. 2 below.

Thursday, February 16

Working about the house and went to Safe Harbor a.m. About house p.m. Rec'd 61 lb. can of lard of Hiram G. Warfel @ 9¢ lb. Paid him for same 5.04 and deducted 5 lb. off for corn. Rec'd a motto from sister Ellie for a birthday present. Was broken in mail. Felt very sorry. Wrote her a letter this eve.

acknowledging the receipt. Very cold all day. Ther. 2 below.

Friday, February 17

Wife and I went over to Graver's to help to butcher a.m. Went down to David H. Hess with H.G. Warfel to insure building and contents. Working out balance of day. Cold all day.

Saturday, February 18

Went to Strasburg this morning for the body of Benj. Irvin, formerly of New Danville, who died at his son-in-law's. Cyrus Hirsh took it to his son John's house from where the funeral will be held on Monday morning, burying at the Stone Church at New Danville. And when I arrived home there was word of two more deaths, Adam Glick's child and an Italian on the H.S. Kerbaugh job, killed by a large stone supposed to weigh about four tons. Very busy at Safe Harbor in eve. Fetched coffin and case from station and attended a meeting of IOOF, Amos Martin along. Very cold all day.

Sunday, February 19

Working nearly all day at caskets, etc. Cold all day.

Monday, February 20

Attending funeral of Benj. Irvin, New Danville. Born 9-6-28; died February 17-05; aged 76-5-11. Rev. Jacob Thomas opened the service. Bishop Abrm. Herr spoke from Rev. 14-12 & 13 verses. Bearers: Cyrus and Benj. Hersh and Albert and John Hersh. 8 teams, small funeral, a.m. At home p.m. lining casket. Made rough box, etc. p.m. Very unpleasant day. Snowing all of a.m. Casket \$30.00 + Shroud \$5.00 = \$35.00 paid.

Tuesday, February 21

Attending funeral of Harold, infant son of

Adam and Fianna Glick. Born May 21-1904; died February 18-1905. Aged 8 mos. & 27 days. Rev. H.J. Baney preached from 2Kings 4-26. I was bearer. 6 sleighs. Preaching at house. Burial at Highville U.B. Cemetery, a.m. At home and took rough box to Catholic cemetery Safe Harbor and at the election a short time. There was some cutting of regular Republican ticket, but I took mine straight. 188 votes polled. A very beautiful day, like spring overhead. \$10.00 paid.

Wednesday, February 22

Working about house a.m. Attended funeral and burial of #308 Italian at Safe Harbor, Roman Catholic cemetery. Father Cappes of Lancaster officiated, p.m. Cloudy, much colder; a great change from yesterday. \$35.00 paid.

Thursday, February 23

At John Miller's insuring project in connection with Manor Company and at Uncle Christ B. Miller's a short time a.m. At Safe Harbor mill, etc., p.m. M.B. Good along all day. Had his sleigh. Moderating, but very raw wind all day.

Friday, February 24

Working about house a.m. At mill fetched bureau of John Henry along for repairs. Took mill horse along down. Very pleasant day. Snow going fast.

Saturday, February 25

Working about house busy all day. Charles at mill posting books. At IORM in eve. Pleasant all day. Snow melting fast today.

Sunday, February 26

At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and at church in eve. Mr. Shelby took supper with us. Also Mrs. W.F. Bruner and Olive here from

Sunday, school and spent p.m. Cold air all day.

Monday, February 27

Rec'd word this morning of old Mrs. Richardson, formerly of this place, but died at Middletown. At Lancaster partly all day, Blanche along in. She staid (sic) in for a few days. Cold all day.

Tuesday, February 28

Attending funeral of Mary A. Richardson (Colored). Born 3-20-1815; died 2-25-1905; aged 89-11-5. Rev. P.P. Gaines preached from Rev. 22-4. Bearers: Henry Nelson, Edw. Miller, C.B. Bray, Persy Richason, Samuel Bond, & Wm. Hallegas. Six teams. The body was shipped from Middletown. I gave Eli Richardson \$1.00 toward putting new roof on colored church. Cold raw wind all day. \$5.00 cash.

Wednesday, March 1

Working etc., about home all day. Cold, raw wind all day.

Thursday, March 2

Working about house a.m. At Gerlach sale near Hacker's Mill p.m. Cold, raw wind all day.

Friday, March 3

Working at home a.m. Went to Millersville to a horse sale of Freymeyer & Hertzler. I bought one horse (Bay 5-year old for \$150.00 and saddle \$4.75) Mart. H. Groff along. Sent horse to mill. Paid cash for saddle and gave 60-day note for horse less feed bill, 17.00. (\$133 balance) Medium cold.

Saturday, March 4

Working about house all day. Finished house for undertaking business (or rather room) in shed and Charles and I made a general red-up in the shed. Worked busily all day. At

IORM in eve. And at AOK of M.C. afterward. Raw air all day. Ther. 16 above.

Sunday, March 5

At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Mr. Shelby took dinner with us. Cold all day. Ther. 12 above

Monday, March 6

At Lancaster. Attended county committee meeting. Fixed day for spring county primary April 18, and laid assessments for candidates. Bought pruning shears, etc. Had a meeting of committee on by-laws of IORM here this eve. And finished our work ready for printer. Cold all day.

Tuesday, March 7

Working about house all day. Snowing and raining. Cold but moderating. At Mrs. Wm. E. Keene's in eve. Making arrangements for an oyster supper for benefit of Reformed Church. Rec'd one of Mrs. Keene's cabinets from Mrs. Keene this eve. Moderating and very dark in eve.

Wednesday, March 8

John Zercher had horse this morning to haul balance of his tobacco to the cellar for stripping. I was at mill balance of day. One year ago today we had the Great Ice Freshet at Safe Harbor, etc. I ordered a carrying basket from Heywood Bros. and Wakefield Co. Sent check along with order \$7.60, less discount. Damp all day; raining partly all of p.m. & eve.

Thursday, March 9

Working about house a.m. at mill & Henry Goodman sale of personal property. Poor sale weather, very unfavorable. Bought manure hook and jockey stick for .03¢. Very damp and raining all of p.m. and eve. Snow going very fast. Millersville school closed today.

Friday, March 10

At mill and went up to Howard. B. Frey to see about shoats, but he was not home. And went and took survey of J.W. McWilliams' personal property, amount \$800 and brought feed along up, a.m. Cleaned out shop etc., p.m. Snow melting fast about noon and roads getting very muddy.

Saturday, March 11

At home etc. Charles was at mill partly all day. At IORM in eve. Pleasant all day.

Sunday, March 12

At Sunday school and missionary meeting a.m. The following officers were elected: Pres. A.M. Charles, Vice Pres. A.J. Zercher, Secy. Chas. R. Hill, Treas. Mos. A.M. Charles, Collector Blanche Zercher. At Uncle C.B. Miller's, wife and I, p.m. Preaching in eve. Pleasant day.

Monday, March 13

At Lancaster, wife along. Brought things for house, etc. Cold all day. Rec'd word of the death of Christ Good's child, quite small.

Tuesday, March 14

About house working in shop etc. Rec'd 7 shoats of Howard Frey. Paid him \$35.00 for same, a.m. Buried child of Christ Good (stillborn) at River Corner Church this p.m. Paid cash \$6.00, and from there to the mill, and then home. Cold all day. Mrs. John Kauffman was buried this a.m.

Wednesday, March 15

Went down to Jacob and Abraham Thomas with Amos Warfel and took insurance ½ in each company, a.m. Trimming apple trees in home orchard, p.m. At home in eve. Blanche and Charles went down to Mrs. Wm. E. Keene's. She gave a sociable for the young folks. Very pleasant day.

Thursday, March 16

Went to Armel Myers with A.M. Charles and insured her buildings. And Hiram G. Warfel met us there. He took ½ for Manor Mutual; I ½ for Northern Mutual, a.m. At Safe Harbor, p.m. Car of hominy in and we started to unload it. At home in eve. Very tired. Had the horse shod today (Joe) Paid for same 75¢, A.F. Martin. Very pleasant day. Roads very bad (muddy).

Friday, March 17

At Safe Harbor all day. Finished unloading car of hominy. Am very tired, should have went to Millersville this eve, but got too late; was detained several times. Very pleasant day. Roads very heavy.

Saturday, March 18

Working about house and shop all day. Had an oyster supper here this eve. Had a good turn out and was glad when it was over. Very pleasant all day and eve.

Sunday, March 19

At Sunday school and preaching a.m. About house p.m. Uncle C.B. Miller, Aunt Lizzie, and Cousin Augie spent some time with us and took supper. Rain part of a.m. Partly clear p.m.

Monday, March 20

Working about house all day. Very damp; raining partly all day, especially in p.m. Bought pair of mules of David B. Fautz for \$260.00. Deduct mill bill, etc., and Building and Loan dues, etc. Pay him balance on or before April 1, 1905.

Tuesday, March 21

Working in shop a.m., at Samuel Duke's all p.m. Bought case of drawers for Blanche for 1.50. Jacob G. Kreider was auctioneer at Abr. Hess place. He did real well. Very damp.

Raining partly all of p.m. Marty Kendig died about 5 a.m. today.

Wednesday, March 22

Working in shop a.m. Clerking sale of John J. Good, p.m. Had a very good sale amounting to nearly \$200.00. Cold, damp air all day, cloudy.

Thursday, March 23

Helping Dr. B.F. Good to move to Letort, Manor Twp. Took wife, Charles, and Mrs. Keene along up. Was called to go to Safe Harbor to take charge of body of a man found dead in the house where Sam'l Bond lives. John C. Zercher went along with J.W. Morrison, deputy coroner, and fetched body up to my place; will hold body for a few days for identification. Cloudy partly all day. Paid David B. Fautz \$5.00 on acc't.

Friday, March 24

Working at body of David Cavanaugh, etc., etc., a.m. At mill p.m. Pleasant day.

Saturday, March 25

Working about house partly all day. Charles down at mill posting books. At IORM in eve. The following officers were elected: Sachem, Theo. Lines; S.S., John W. Hess; J.S., Mort Markley; C. of R., Benj. F. Hookey; Treas., Benj. F.; Janitor, vacant; Representative, A.J. Zercher. Partly cloudy and cold, raw wind.

Sunday, March 26

At Sunday school a.m., and about home p.m., at preaching in eve. Cold, rain, wind, part of day.

Monday, March 27

Working about home and at Safe Harbor. Helped to clean yard, p.m. Very beautiful day.

Wednesday, March 29

Lining casket and buried body of David

Cavanaugh who was found dead at Safe Harbor last Thursday morning. Held body for party at Rhode Island to claim, but did not, so I buried him in Mt. Zion Cemetery #2 on free ground north of Main Avenue. The body was in a splendid state of preservation, not the least smell or discoloring, a.m. At mill posting books, etc., p.m. Very beautiful day. \$50.00 paid.

Thursday, March 30

At mill all day posting books, etc. Getting ready for April 1. Pleasant day.

Friday, March 31

Working out on lot helping John C. Zercher to start plowing lower part of sod patch. Was called to house to answer phone call of H.S. Kerbaugh & Co., a house at Safe Harbor having burned down early this morning and burned Solomon Carter to a crisp. Went down and brought remains up to shop and made arrangements to prepare body for burial and ship to Fredericksburg, VA. Shall put it in casket, etc. a.m. Went to mill in eve and made out accounts for tomorrow. David B. Fautz here to settle but he is dissatisfied with my account and went off in a bad humor. Said bill is too high, after trusting him for over two years. Pleasant day.

Saturday, April 1

Up early this morning, lined and trimmed casket to put remains of Solomon Carter in, and took them to B.F. Morton's and by trolley to Pequea, and put on cars to Fredericksburg Va. Charles went along down to Pequea and then returned. I took trolley and went to Lancaster on April business. Did not do much collecting. I was not able to get settled with David B. Fautz. Am ready to pay him balance. Came home by trolley to Morton's and walked home. At IORM in eve. Much cooler today, feels like snow. Partly cloudy. 47.00 paid.

Sunday, April 2

At Sunday school and preaching by Rev. Shelby a.m. About house p.m. and eve. Partly cloudy all day, cool all day.

Monday, April 3

Working about house all day. Tired in eve. Rec'd word this eve by phone of the death of Sam'l Gontner, Safe Harbor. Went down and laid out body, etc. Partly cloudy all day. Light rain in eve.

Tuesday, April 4

Went to Lancaster via Safe Harbor and Rock Hill, Blanche along. Called to W.W. Greist by request and succeeded in getting Jacob W. Morrison placed giving him the choice of Prison Inspector or Mercantile Appraiser. He chose the latter. I did what I could for to get the position and the pleasant part is that I succeeded. Harry Warfel will get the place of Prison Inspector. Attended to some other business and returned home in eve. Partly cloudy all day, light rain in eve.

Wednesday, April 5

Took case to Highville Cemetery (U.B.) and stopped at mill a.m. Lining casket, etc. p.m. Rained heavy last night and partly all day.

Thursday, April 6

Attending funeral of Sam'l Gontner, born March 10, 1821; died April 3- 1905, aged 84 years & 24 days. Rev. Bond spoke from Rev. 6-17. Rev. Abr. Witmer: text Genesis 15-15. Bearers: Maris Good, Benj. Rummel, John Sourbeer, Harry Waller. 10 carriages. Roads very bad. Rained partly all night and this morning. Clearing off about 8:30 and much cooler. Casket \$35.00 + shroud 6.50 = \$41.50. Paid.

Friday, April 7

At mill all day; finished unloading car corn. I fetched stools, etc. along home from

Gontner's. Cold raw wind all day. Roads drying off fast.

Saturday, April 8

At mill all day, went up to Creswell first in morning and took charge of body of Clayton Kendig, son of Ames Kendig, embalmed same. Rec'd word last night about 12:45. Mort Groff at Lancaster today and John and I at mill. At IORM in eve. Officers were inducted, viz. Prophet, Harry Waller; Sachem, Theo Lines; Senior Sec'y, John Hess; Junior S., Morton Markley; C. of R., B.F. Hookey; K. of W., A.F. Martin. Cold, raw wind all day.

Sunday, April 9

At Sunday school and missionary meeting, a.m. Charles and Blanche and Wm. Bitts and Mrs. Keene went up to Dr. Good's, Letort, to dinner and spend the p.m. We were home. Jos. Witmer, Mrs. Keene, Brother-in-Law here for dinner and waited for Mrs. Keene's return p.m. At preaching in eve. Cool all day.

Monday, April 10

To Lancaster by stage. Paid H.R. Keller for car corn; bought a few things for shop and house. Came home by trolley via Millersville and walked home from Cramer's. Lined casket, etc., and took it up to Kendig's this p.m. Was storm, staid at A.A. Manning's store. Heavy thunderstorm and rain. Warm all day. Heavy rain this eve.

Tuesday, April 11

Attending funeral of Clayton, son of Ames Kendig. Born October 25, 1881. Died April 7, 1905. Aged 23 years, 5 mos., 12 days. Rev. O.L. Buck preached a very able sermon from Gen. 5-24. Bearers: Harry Frey, Harry Gehr, Edwin Kauffman, Benj. Souder. Carried from house to church. Large funeral. Heavy rain last night. Roads muddy. Warm all day. Light rain this eve. The family were very much

pleased with my work. And others expressed themselves; it is encouraging. Practicing at church tonight for Easter service. Cash 45.00.

Wednesday, April 12

Working about house in morning. Went to Safe Harbor to home Dr. I.M. Witmer, meet Mr. McWilliams, and to the mill for feed a.m. Trimmed orchard on the urban lot p.m. am very tired this eve. Rain last night. Partly clear and warm today.

Thursday, April 13

Working about house and lot. Wife and Blanche went to Lancaster, a.m. John C. Zercher and I went to Safe Harbor to help unload car oats. Must have it off by tomorrow noon on account of taking empty cars out previous of taking up track by Kerbaugh and Co. Pleasant day, but cool. At church in eve. Preaching by Rev. Mr. Shelby.

Friday, April 14

John C. Zercher and I went to Safe Harbor this morning to help unload car oats. Finished about 9 o'clock a.m. this was our last car to come in. it will be torn up (the track) for grading. At home p.m. working on lot, etc. Partly clear, cool.

Saturday, April 15

Working about house a.m. Attending the Rep. County primary p.m. 138 votes polled. Everything passed off nicely. Only we expected a larger vote. At IORM and A.O.K. of M.C. in eve. Getting colder.

Sunday, April 16

At Sunday school preaching and Communion service, a.m. At home, p.m. and eve. Wm. F. Bruner and Mr. Bruner (wife's father) here for dinner and spent a short time with us. Cold all day. Snowed and stormed frequently all day. Rec'd word this p.m. of the death of Annie H. Hess, sister of Henry H. Hess. Went

down and took Mrs. Good along to help. I embalmed body.

Monday, April 17

At Lancaster, bought goods for shop and house. Paid Baringer draft for car oats. Went to Barbara Good's with shroud goods and at Hess's to see after corpse. And home, worked out lot a short time. Cold all day. Few snow squalls. Then down to 31 this morning.

Tuesday, April 18

At mill all day, posting books, etc. at Easter service practice in eve. Cold all day. Light shower in p.m. Ground frozen.

Wednesday, April 19

Took rough box to cemetery and stools to house a.m. trimming coffin etc. this was one of the best plain coffins I ever furnished, p.m. At home in eve. Cold all day. Ther. down to 29 this morning.

Thursday, April 20

Attending funeral of Annie H. Hess, daughter of Abrm. B. Hess. Born 12-7-50. Died 4-16-05. Aged 54-4-9. Rev. Jacob Thomas opened the service. Rev. Abrm. B. Herr spoke from Matt 24-42. Bearers: Abrm. Thomas, Henry Christ, and Benj. Hess (cousins). 30 teams in procession from house to church. Fetched stools in eve. Showers but pleasant. Paid A.F. Martin 1.00 for reframing spring wagon. \$45.00 paid.

Friday, April 21

John C. Zercher and I planting strawberries and potatoes in lot at house, a.m. Plowing, planting a few trees, etc., p.m. Pleasant a.m. raining partly all of p.m.

Saturday, April 22

Went to Safe Harbor and back home and mother to Lancaster. I got papers from the supervisor with regard of right of way for

trolley. At Safe Harbor in eve. Attending a meeting of I.O.O.F. Cool all day.

Sunday, April 23

At Sunday school and practicing for Easter services this eve, a.m. About house p.m. At church in eve. Had a large audience and everything passed off very nicely. Mr. Lentz not there on account of rheumatism. Cool all day.

Monday, April 24

At mill all day. Took photos of new bridge of Mr. N. Imlay. Along for Mr. Watson the Supt., he made me a present of one. He paid me \$11.00 for 24 and paid same over to Mr. Imlay this eve. At H.S. Kerbaugh and Co. office this eve. Rec'd \$47.00 of Mr. Pettit for caskets shipping of body of Sol Carter. Cool all day, but pleasant.

Tuesday, April 25

At Lancaster, took Blanche in to the doctor (Kellog). Bought suit for myself, hat and shoes. Returned home between 12 and 1 o'clock. Working about home making garden, etc., p.m. Pleasant all day.

Wednesday, April 26

Started surveying for trolley this morning at the covert (sic) bridge Safe Harbor. Joseph McDivett and Charles Kreider and myself. 1 day. H.M. Stauffer and Dan'l Martin ½ day. Kreider and Martin 1.25 per day. I had my team all day. Got up as far as the lower end of Mt. Zion Cemetery. Damp all day. Raining good part of p.m. and eve. Dr. Good wife here in eve.

Thursday, April 27

Commenced at lower end of Mt. Zion Cemetery to survey this morning. Very foggy and damp. Commenced to rain when we got to John Price's and detained us for several

hours. Got as far as Bro. Emmanuel's til noon. In p.m. did better. Finished the town and to Harnish's woods til eve. I do not think I ever felt worse in my life, so far as soreness and pain is concerned. Could hardly walk home. Went to bed early and feel as though I would not be able to go along tomorrow but hope I can. Damp all day. Raining part of a.m. and p.m.

Friday, April 28

Not able to get up this morning. I feel awful. Sore over bowels and kidneys. And my leg is something fierce. Sent for Dr. Good. He says I have grip, etc., and that means stay in bed over Sunday, evening. So that settles trolley for me this week. But it is all right. I feel content; only pain. Albert Charles will take my plan. Damp all day.

Saturday, April 29

In bed all day. Very sore and sick. Damp all day.

Sunday, April 30

In bed all day, feel much better than I did. Charles went to Rawlinsville. Blanche to Sunday, school, a.m. Wife and I home. Cool all day.

Monday, May 1

In bed a.m. Came downstairs p.m. Feeling very weak and sore. Cool all day! Henry H. Hess here in eve. And paid me for his sister Annie H. Hess's burial \$45.00.

Tuesday, May 2

About house all day; not out of doors. Do not feel so good today as yesterday. Feel giddy and sore. Cool and stormy. Rec'd word about 4:15 of one of the H.S. Kerbaugh Co. men that were taken to the St. Joseph Hospital had died and are to have him brought out and

prepared for burial. Charles and John Zercher went in for him this eve.

Wednesday, May 3

About house. Charles embalmed the body this morning before starting for school. And John C. finished the bandaging, etc., a.m. John C. went to Lancaster this p.m. for casket, etc., and attend to some other business for me. Burial of Italian will be held tomorrow morning at 10:30 at Safe Harbor Catholic Church with Father Cappes present. Very pleasant day. Warm, but high wind. Feeling better this eve.

Thursday, May 4

Charles and John took charge of Italian Michael Mein, 38 years, and buried at Safe Harbor Catholic Church, Father Cappes being present and officiating. Rec'd word about 10:15 of the death of Amos H. Herr, Creswell (by phone) a.m. Charles and I went up after dinner and took charge of body. Embalming same, etc. funeral on Monday, at 9 at house and 10 at Evangelical Church, Creswell. Stopped at mill on way home and had horse shod by W.W. Aument and home, p.m. At home all eve. Feeling very tired. Very warm a.m. and part of p.m. At about 5 p.m., became stormy and very much cooler. \$35.

Friday, May 5

John C. Zercher went up to Herr's to look after body, etc. a.m. About house p.m. I was about house all day. Not feeling so well today. Cold all day and damp.

Saturday, May 6

Lined casket, etc. Rec'd word of an Italian being killed near Brenner's Hollow on the Kerbaugh & Co. job, a.m. J.W. Morrison and I went down and brought body up. Was killed by a stone thrown by a blast made on road, fracturing skull above and back of right ear. Jaw broken at two places. Right arm broken

and crushed. Left leg below knee broken. Embalmed the body. Damp partly all day. Chas. Took rough box to cemetery and stools to house and looked after body.

Sunday, May 7

At Sunday school, etc. Preaching by Rev. H.S. Shelby, a.m. Blanche and Charles went over to Uncle C.B. Miller for dinner and spend the p.m. Charles went to look after corpse, looked all right, p.m. At home in eve. Pleasant all day.

Monday, May 8

Attending funeral Of Amos H. Herr, Creswell. Born June 15-1840. Died May 4-1905. Aged 64-10-19. Rev. Mr. Buck preached from Rev. 22-14. Bearers: Edw. Eshleman, Christ Gerlach, R.D. Frey, Jacob Shellenberger. 8 carriages. Everything passed off nicely. Returned home from church a.m. Getting casket ready to bury Italian tomorrow, p.m. At home in eve. Warm all day, much cooler this eve. \$40.00

Tuesday, May 9

Finished dressing body of the Italian that was killed at Brenner's Hollow. Buried same at the Catholic cemetery, Safe Harbor, at 9 o'clock a.m. 28 Years. Jacob B. Henry dug grave, went to mill and fetched stools from here. Cool and stormy partly all day. Had a trolley meeting this p.m. Nothing special occurred. There was a blast of 125 holes put off yesterday eve. That cost 10,000 total. \$8800 dollars for material, 6000 kegs of powder, 1 car dynamite. \$35.00.

Wednesday, May 10

Went to David Warfel to insure property. David D. Herr was there. Everything fixed ok. Stopped at Aunt Lizzie Miller's a few minutes, a.m. Working about house, p.m. John C. Zercher is getting ground ready to plant corn. Cool all day.

Thursday, May 11

Working about house shelling, planting corn, etc. John getting corn ground ready, will plant tomorrow if the weather is favorable. Warm all day.

Friday, May 12

Getting corn ground ready, sowing, etc. John C., John Rhinier, and I shovel-harrowed strawberry patch, and hoed square, a.m. Got J.W. Morrison and Al R. Caldwell's corn plantings planted with both this p.m. and finished everything up. Had intended going to Millersville this eve. but am too sore of walking on plowed ground. Pleasant all day.

Saturday, May 13

Down at mill partly all day. Posting books, etc. At IORM in eve. Warm all day.

Sunday, May 14

At Sunday school a.m. About house p.m. At church in eve. Cool all day.

Monday, May 15

At Lancaster. Blanche along. Bought things for house, etc. Pleasant all day.

Tuesday, May 16

At mill partly all day. Paid C.D. Myers the \$20 back as proposition feed of his to F., a.m. It is reported that there were two men very seriously hurt this a.m. on the railroad near Brenner's Hollow. They were both taken to St. Joseph's Hospital. Partly cloudy.

Wednesday, May 17

Rec'd word this a.m. that one of the men taken to the St. Joseph Hospital has died, and I am to bring body out and prepare for burial. John C. and I went and fetched it out by 1 o'clock p.m. Fixed up body, etc. p.m. Warmer and rain in a.m. and part of p.m.

Thursday, May 18

Working about house making fence back of barn and down to orchard. John C. helping a.m. Rec'd word this noon of the death of the other Austrian at St. Joseph Hospital. Also of a man found on lower end of Wise's Island in Susquehanna River. John C. went to Lancaster after body and I went along with J.W. Morrison, Deputy Coroner, to Wise's Island. Found body in very bad shape. Buried him in hospital coffin on west side of the island. Could not identify him. Too badly decomposed. He had a ladies' silver watch and chain, and a coin dated 1848, and a Golden Rule charm, a spring tape measure, and 6 cents in money. The body from Lancaster in bad shape. Cool. Rained p.m. Paid 6.00 County.

Friday, May 19

John C. went to Lancaster for casket and bill lading for car bran. I was lining one casket and fixing up bodies, a.m. Lining other casket, sent rough boxes to Mt. Zion Cemetery, p.m. Planted 21 hills of water melons back of barn, etc. Wife and Annie Bortzfield (Ezra's wife) went to the anniversary at the Normal School, Millersville, this eve. I took them to Benny Morton's for trolley. Much cooler all day. Will bury both Slavish laborers tomorrow morning at Mt. Zion.

Saturday, May 20

Attending to burial of 2 Slavish railroad men. Milla Borben, #6306, aged about 20 years, and Misdie Asmaenobis, aged about 38 years. Buried at Mt. Zion Cemetery. About 20 of their fellow countrymen were there. It looked sad to have 2 open graves side by side and 2 robust well-built from there. Rev. Martin Groff held the burial service at the graves. John C. Zercher and Charles helped to dress the bodies a.m. Working about house

and at mill; in eve, about house. Much cooler all day. Each 38.00= \$76.00.

Sunday, May 21

At Sunday school and preaching, a.m. Wife Blanche and I went over to Landis Miller's. Took dinner and supper. Spending the afternoon there. At house in eve. Mr. and Mrs. Yentzer, Geo. W. Pries spent some time here. Quite cool all day. It is reported that there was frost this morning.

Monday, May 22

Blanche and I went to Lancaster this morning, bought things for house, etc. Unloading car of bran from Washington Boro today. Cool partly all day.

Tuesday, May 23

Working about house a.m. Took early dinner and went to Washington Boro to pay right on car oat feed and at mill. Rec'd word at mill of death of another of H.S. Kerbaugh's men at St. Joseph Hospital. Antono Kobieski, aged 18 yrs., died yesterday. John C. and Charles Zercher went in after body this eve. Much cooler this eve.

Wednesday, May 24

Went to Washington Boro to help unload car oat feed. Came to mill, Safe Harbor, at noon. There was word there by phone for me to come to the office of H.S. Kerbaugh and Co., that there was an explosion on the railroad (low grade) near Brenner's Hollow. One man killed, named Thomas McGilligan, #1542. Took charge of the remains. The body was all torn to shreds. The face was recognizable, but very dark on account of powder. This is the worst case I ever handled. Cold this morning; much warmer today. Heavy frost this morning.

Thursday, May 25

Busy getting body in shape etc. Embalming

the parts. Went to Safe Harbor and brought some more of the remains up that were found out on the works and working about house. Cool all day.

Friday, May 26

Lining casket. Sent 2 rough boxes to cemetery at Safe Harbor, a.m. Went to Benj. S. Miller after dinner to take some insurance and lining casket balance of day, etc. Bodies keeping all right. Warm all day.

Saturday, May 27

Attending burial of two railroad men, Mr. Thomas McGilligan, aged about 67 years, who was blown up by a premature explosion, his body being literally torn to shreds. Scarcely a whole bone in his body. And Antono Kobieski, a boy about 18 years, who had his back broken about six weeks ago. Father August G. Cappes, of St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church, Lancaster city, officiated. Quite a number were present, a.m. At mill posting books, etc., p.m. At IOOF in eve. A.F. Martin went along down. Warm all day. Paid Jacob M. Henry for digging the graves and John C. for working for me to date. T. McGilligan \$40.00; Italian \$35.

Sunday, May 28

At Sunday school and missionary society meeting, a.m. About house p.m. At church in eve. Preaching by Rev. Mr. Shelby. Warm all day.

Monday, May 29

Sent potatoes to Safe Harbor by John C. Got \$.35 per bush. Working about home a.m. At mill posting books, etc. p.m. Warm all day.

Tuesday, May 30

Working in shop, a.m. and on lot hoeing potatoes, etc. and making fence around orchard, etc., etc., Warm all day, partly cloudy. Very good rain this eve. Rained heavy.

Wednesday, May 31

At Lancaster by stage. Attending to serious business. The PA Building and Loan Association is going out of business. Damp and raining part of day.

Thursday, June 1

At mill all day posting books, etc. Myself, Mart. Groff; Mich Jos., senior inspector; Harry Watson, supt.; Wm. Falis, foreman, drove over the new state bridge at Safe Harbor this p.m. for the first time. Had my horse Joe and buggy and all five were on. Cool all day.

Friday, June 2

Surveying from Lipps Corner to the Strasburg Railroad for the proposed trolley. Jos. McDivett, Dan Manilton, myself, and John McAllister along. Pleasant day. Each 1 day's work.

Saturday, June 3

Working about house, etc., a.m. At mill in p.m. At IORM in eve. Paid Jos. McDivett \$10 on account of surveying. Paid David Martin in full to date. Cool this morning.

Sunday, June 4

At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At Children's Day service at M.E. Church in p.m. At home in eve. Partly cloudy and light rain in eve.

Monday, June 5

At Lancaster partly all day. Attending to business matters for mill, trolley, and home. Sold J.R. Yentzer 4 shoats, and he took them away this eve, for \$28. Pleasant all day, warm.

Tuesday, June 6

Working about house all day, on lot and at my books, etc. Very warm part of day. Heavy thunderstorm in eve. northeast of us. Fine rain,

some storm. Bought crate of straw-berries of J. W. Morrison. Paid him cash \$2.00.

Wednesday, June 7

At mill, and about house. Warm.

Thursday, June 8

Working about house all day. Warm all day.

Friday, June 9

At mill, etc. Warm all day.

Saturday, June 10

At mill partly all day. Warm.

Sunday, June 11

Blanche and I went down home to see mother and the rest. Found her well and was glad to meet her. Did not get over to Eberley's on account of short stay. Cloudy, rainy part of day.

Monday, June 12

At Lancaster all day. Rec'd word of an Italian's death at St. Joseph Hospital. Went out and took charge of body. Not in very good shape, having died Saturday night. Embalmed body this eve. Very warm.

Tuesday, June 13

Went to Lancaster early this morning to take the train to York to attend the cession (sic) of the G.C. of IORM, as the rep. of our tribe #65 in company with Bro. Villie of Lancaster. We stopped at the Barugh main house next door to court house, very nice place. Attended the cession (sic) all day. Very warm.

Wednesday, June 14

At York attending Council of Red Men all day. Very good cession (sic). Charles and John C. buried the Slavish at Mt. Zion Cemetery. Rev. Mr. Bond held burial service. Charles rec'd

word of the death of a child at Safe Harbor. Slavish. Very pleasant day. \$35.00.

Thursday, June 15

At York attending session (sic) of G.C. at nomination of officers. I had the pleasure to nominate Mr. Villie of Lancaster as one of the G. Reps. to the G.C. of U.S. Had a very large parade over 3000 in line (Red Men). Came home this eve. about 9:20. Pleasant all day.

Friday, June 16

Attending funeral of child of Slavish named Polak at Catholic Cemetery, Safe Harbor. Father Crause of Marietta officiated. At mill short time in eve. Bought the Mt. Zion Church and Cemetery of Rev. Mr. Buck, Trustees Frey, Kendig, and Keener for \$600. Payable amount April 1<sup>st</sup> or sooner. Cash \$15.00.

Saturday, June 17

Was called by phone this a.m. to come to the home of E.K. Hershey to take charge of the body of his father up near Central Manor this a.m. Very busy lining casket for John K. Herr, etc., p.m. Very warm.

Sunday, June 18

Attending funeral of John K. Herr near Highville. Born Jan'y. 1, 1834. Died June 15, 1905. Aged 70-5-14. Rev. Abm. Witmer preached from Job 17:1. Bearers: Amos Keperling, Samuel Dabler, Barry McMullen, Geo. Brighton. 12 carriages, large funeral, a.m. Lining casket for Mr. Hershey, etc., p.m. Very warm. \$35.00 paid.

Monday, June 19

Attending funeral of Jacob H. Hershey. Born March 4, 1824. Died June 16, 1905. Aged 81 yrs., 3 mos., and 12 dys. Rev. Abm. B. Herr and Abm. Witmer preached text Job 14-10. Bearers: C.E. Gerlach, Edw. Eshleman, R.D. Frey, J.B. Shellenberger. 22 carriages, large funeral. Very warm. The body did not keep as I would have wished. The room was small and

very warm; could not ventilate, and E.K. Hershey, his sons exonerated me from all blame. \$72.00 paid. Ther. 92.

Tuesday, June 20

Went to E.K. Hershey's for stools. Rec'd word by phone there to come to Shenk's Ferry at once. The body of the man that drowned in the river there on Sunday was found. Went down and took charge of body, which was in terrible condition. Took it to my home about 4 p.m. to prepare to bury at once. Put it in metal-lined case and buried it in the Mt. Zion Cemetery about 9 o'clock p.m. at the extreme northwest corner. This was the worst case I ever handled. It was something terrible. Very warm all day. Partly clear. Ther. 87. \$35.00.

Wednesday, June 21

Buried the two Italians that were blown up on the low-grade R.R. on Sunday,, back of station at Safe Harbor. Buried them in Catholic Cemetery at Safe Harbor. No priest. A.M. Went up to John F. Herr's for stools, etc., this p.m. Warm all day. Each \$35.00 = \$70.00. Ther. 89.

Thursday, June 22

Working about house all day, hoeing, etc. Very warm all day. Light rain, p.m. Ther. 90.

Friday, June 23

Working about home on lot, etc., all day. Henry Rhinier hoeing corn for me today. Cloudy partly all day. Not near so warm.

Saturday, June 24

Working about home and at mill balance of day.

Sunday, June 25

Was called to Creswell in company with the coroner to take charge of the body of a Slavish who was stabbed in a row last night,

and the body dragged down to the river edge. An inquest was held by the coroner. Fetched body along home and embalmed same, a.m. About house. Very warm all day. Rev. Mr. Shelby told us today of the death of Earnest Hoves Shirk of yellow fever in Panama.

Monday, June 26

At Lancaster partly all day.

Tuesday, June 27

Attended funeral of Slavish Pavav Bazdar #8370, aged about 18 years. Rev. Mr. Polac spoke a few words to them in their language and read a few verses to them of the scripture, a.m. Working about house all of p.m. \$40.00 cash.

Wednesday, June 28

Helping Henry and John Rhinier to hoe corn, etc., all day, on the Urban lot.

Thursday, June 29

Went to Lancaster in company with Aldus M. Charles to see the execution by hanging of Lee Furman and John O'Brian for the murder of an old man Samuel Ressler ½ mile east of Leaman Place. The trap was sprung at 10:18 a.m. and pronounced dead at 10:30. This was the first time I saw anything of the kind. They had nothing to say on the scaffold. Two Catholic priests, Fathers Karl and Capps. A terrible thing to see, 2 young lives put out so suddenly. Returned home p.m. and Charles and John had a call to come to Safe Harbor to take charge of body of Grant Benedict's wife, a bad case having an operation performed on her. Charles went to Lancaster this eve. to start for Asbury. Very warm.

Friday, June 30

Took body of Mrs. Grant Benedict to her parents' home, 449 S. Duke St., Lancaster

City. And asked the family to have me excused from further service on account of being very unhandy and having another body to look after and funeral. And fetched casket our for the McPhadden funeral and lined same and took it down to put body in for tomorrow. Did not get home until after 12 o'clock at night. Very warm all day. I turned the Benedict funeral over to F.F. Groff, Lancaster. Charles went to Asbury Park this morning to take a position as night clerk and stenographer at the Metropolitan Hotel there.

Saturday, July 1

Attending funeral of George McPhadden, aged 12 years and some months and days, at the Catholic Cemetery, Safe Harbor. Services held in the church by Father Crause, Marietta. Very fine flowers, the pillow having his name, George, on it. And large lot of flowers on casket. Very warm all day. At the mill p.m. and very warm. \$48.00.

Sunday, July 2

Called to Safe Harbor to take charge of body of Homer Cry's infant daughter, brought body along up home and prepared it for burial. At preaching services in a.m. About home p.m. Very warm all day. A.J. Zercher.

Monday, July 3

Lining casket. Took case to Mt. Zion Cemetery, and working about house, a.m. Finished casket and attending burial of infant daughter of Homer Cry. Aged 11 weeks, buried at Mt. Zion Cemetery, p.m., \$20.00; cash 15.00.

Tuesday, July 4

Took camp stools to Henry Martin's for to use in the family reunion held there today, 35 persons being present. Fetched W.F. Bruner, olives, etc. from trolley (Morton's shop). Was

called to take charge of Slavish child back of Isaac Funk's residence. Brought child along up. Phoned to Father Cappes to hold service, a.m. About home p.m. and eve.

Wednesday, July 5

Lining casket after bringing it from F.F. Groff's, Lancaster. (3/3 caskets and 4 s \_\_\_ handles). Took J.M. Bruner along in a.m. Took casket and body down to shanty and from there to Catholic cemetery, Safe Harbor, where it was interred after the funeral service by Father Cappes. John C. fetched body of a colored man from Shenk's Ferry when he was drowned. His name was \_\_\_\_. Also received word from Martin Clark's of the death of Christian Benedict (formerly of this place) who died about 10 o'clock this p.m. Went down this eve, laid out body, embalmed same, and arrived home at 2:30 a.m. This was a special friend of mine. I always thought a great deal of him. Heavy rain in eve, warm, partly cloudy. Cash 21.50.

Thursday, July 6

Buried Samuel Johnson in colored cemetery this morning, along north side at fence. He was drowned in Susquehanna River on Monday, and in very bad shape. Cleaning up about barn and shed and disinfecting around same. Henry Rhinier and John C. cutting grass, etc. a.m. Working about house p.m. raining partly all of p.m. Phoned to A.L. Miller of Witmer to look after body of Christ Benedict for me and said he would. Cloudy partly all day. \$35.00.

Friday, July 7

Lining coffin, etc., for Christian Benedict (3-piece cof.) Getting hearse ready, etc. Sent rough box to cemetery, etc. Mr. A.L. Miller, undertaker of Witmer, reported the body. Normal this p.m. Very warm all day.

Saturday, July 8

Left home, John, C. and I, at 5:15 for Martin Clark's near Witmer to attend the funeral of my old friend Christian Benedict, formerly of this place. Born 4-28-28. Died 7-5-05. Aged 76-2-7. Rev. Mr. Baird held short service at house at 10 a.m. and Rev. Mr. Mengel at church, this place, at 3:00 p.m. Text: 112 Psalms I, part of 4 verses. Bearers: Frank B. Clark, Benj. Irvin, Wm. Beach, Pharis Gerlach, all grandchildren. Large funeral. Left the house at 12 noon; 12 carriages and hearse. This is the hardest drive I think I ever made. 15 miles, very hot. Body kept medium. Funeral should have been yesterday by all means. Rec'd word to bring body of Timothy Golden from St. Joseph Hospital. Fetched him tonight. Very warm all day. 37.00; Cash 35.

Sunday, July 9

At Sunday school and missionary society, a.m. About house p.m. at church in eve. John C. went to Lancaster to bring out casket this eve. Very warm all day.

Monday, July 10

At Lancaster. Took Mrs. J.M. Bruner, Millard, and Miss Mary Bruner, and Blanche Zercher along in. Attended to various business matters and returned home, Blanche and I, about 4 p.m. Rec'd word from the Kerbaugh office this eve. (Mr. Myers) to bury the body of Timothy Golden at Conestoga Centre, Mt. Zion Cemetery. Will bury tomorrow at 10 a.m. very warm all day.

Tuesday, July 11

Lining and trimming casket and buried body of Timothy Golden, aged about 62 years, in the Mt. Zion Cemetery in line of others, # \_\_\_ from center of cemetery at near north. Rev. Mr. Pollock held burial service, a.m. Working about house p.m. Albert Hersh here this eve., gave him an order for body of undertakers' wagon to cost including charging of old

hearse gear and painting. Everything complete, not over \$100.00. John Elmire of near Highville died this morning. Very warm all day. Light shower of rain this eve. \$35.00.

Wednesday, July 12

John C. and I hauled in rye a.m. At mill and rec'd check for burial of Samuel Gontner of Mrs. Mary Cook. \$41.50. Very warm a.m. and p.m. More air in p.m. Sent daily New Era to son Charles at Metropolitan Hotel, Asbury Park, N.J.

Thursday, July 13

At mill partly all day posting books, etc. Very warm all day. And raining part of day.

Friday, July 14

At mill posting books a.m. Rec'd word at noon of the death of Abrm. H. and Susan H. Hess's daughter Mary W. at Burnt Mill. Went down and embalmed body. Blanche along. Returned home to word by phone of a Slav child died at Safe Harbor. Went down and took charge of body. Very heavy rain in p.m. and heavy thunder gust in eve. The Hess funeral will be on Monday. The Slav child is not decided definitely.

Saturday, July 15

M.B. Good went to Lancaster for caskets. Paid him 1.00 for same. I went over to Hess to look after the body. Found it all right. Lining casket for Slav child. Marko Palrig, daughter of Franko Palrig, aged 2 years, 2 mo. And buried this p.m. at Catholic Cemetery, at Safe Harbor. Mr. Pollock officiating. Warm all day. Paid Jacob M. Henry 1.50; Rev. Mr. Pollock 2.00; Grave 5.00; Self 15. Cash 15.00.

Sunday, July 16

Lined and trimmed casket for Hess child and at Sunday, school and preaching. Sent John C. to Byerland with rough box and stools to

house, a.m. About house, p.m. and eve. Warm but beautiful day.

Monday, July 17

Rec'd word this morning of the death of Ed. Peaco's (colored) infant child. Went down and took charge of body. Attending funeral of Mary W., daughter of Abrm. H. and Susan H. Hess at the Burnt Mill. Born Nov. 13-94. Died July 14-05. Aged 10-8-1. Rev. Jacob Thomas spoke first and Rev. Abrm. Witmer spoke from Gen. 50-part of 20. Bearers: Rudolph Eshleman, Christian, Abrm, and John Hess, four first cousins of deceased. 33 carriages in procession. Very large funeral. Came home direct from church and went to Lancaster in company with A.M. Charles on trolley business. Received encouragement from Conestoga Traction Co. I think this was the hottest day of the season. Paid 35.00. Ther. 96.

Tuesday, July 18

Working about house. Lining casket, etc., a.m. Attending funeral of Clara Rebecca Peaco, daughter of Edw. and Ella Peaco. Born 04-\_\_-05. Died 7-17-05. Aged 3 mos. \_\_, Rev. John Peaco preached from 1 Cor. 15:22. Bearer: Self. Buried in Colored Cemetery. Rec'd word this eve. that the Sup't. Mr. Litzel and Engineer Crawford will go over the trolley line. Very warm tomorrow. Ther. is reported as high as 100 to 106, in the shade. \$6.50. Ther. 97.

Wednesday, July 19

About home a.m. Went over the Lancaster and Safe Harbor trolley line (proposed) with Sup't Litzel and Engineer Crawford. They seem to be pleased with the route very much. H.M. Stauffer, A.M. Charles, and myself drove them over the road. Blanche in bed all day. Bowel trouble (of the heat I suppose).

Paid for toll for 3 teams. \$4.84. Very warm all day. Cooler Thursday.

Thursday, July 20

At mill a.m. Held treat at church for the Sunday, school. 10 gal. cream of Chas. Kreider, 10 bunches bananas of J. Vitale (Italian) and a very fine supper served by the ladies. Rev. Hunter Watt of St. Andrew Lancaster addressed the school and sang a few hymns. Had a pleasant time. Blanche some better; up out of bed today. Warm all day. Rain in eve.

Friday, July 21

Working about house all day. Blanche back to bed again; not so good all day. Warm and dry.

Saturday, July 22

Working about house all day. At mill in eve. And at IORM. Blanche not so good; in bed all day. Raining in p.m. and eve. Paid Chris Kreider for ice cream for treat of Sunday, school, \$7.00.

Sunday, July 23

At Sunday school a.m. About house p.m. At church in eve. Heavy rain last night.

Monday, July 24

At Safe Harbor this morning. Settled with J.W. McWilliams for all funerals to date--\$340.00. Rec'd check for same from them to Lancaster. Paid \$100.00 on Lanc. Trust Co. note and renewed for bal. House p.m. Rec'd word this eve. of the death of infant child of John Brady at Will Miller's. Went down and took charge of body. Funeral Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. Green Hill Cemetery. Abrm. H. Hess here and paid for daughter's casket and shroud, \$35.00. This makes a total of 10 funerals that I received pay for to date, amounting to \$375.00. Partly cloudy and warm.

Tuesday, July 25

Made rough box and took it to cemetery, a.m. Working about the house balance of day. Hauled in oats, etc., after supper. Much pleasant.

Wednesday, July 26

Lining casket and attending funeral of Raymond M., infant son of John W. and Ethel Brady. Born June 8, 1905. Died July 24, 1905. Aged 1 mo. 16 days. Rev. Mr. Barney spoke for a very short time, a.m. At mill, p.m. At house in eve. Very pleasant day. Cash \$10.

Thursday, July 27

Working about house, a.m. Went to the sale of the seats in the Green Hill Church. I bought 3 of them. Very pleasant day.

Friday, July 28

Working about home all of a.m. Went and fetched the benches at Green Hill Church that I bought yesterday, and from there to mill posting books, etc. Partly clear all day.

Saturday, July 29

Working about home a.m. At mill p.m. And about home eve. Pleasant heavy rain p.m.

Sunday, July 30

At Sunday, school and a talk by Mr. Pollock, a Bohemian missionary working among his own countrymen at Safe Harbor, a.m. About house p.m. Then Ezra Bortzfield and family had a short visit this eve. Very pleasant day. Rec'd word about 9:15 of the death of an Austrian at St. Joseph Hospital.

Monday, July 31

Went to Lancaster early this morning and brought body of an Austrian from St. Joseph Hospital who died July 29, 4 a.m. Only rec'd word of his death last night about 9:15 o'clock. Body in bad shape; returned home about 11 a.m. Worked quite a while with

body, embalming, etc. Lined casket and took case to cemetery, Mt. Zion, and working about house, p.m. and eve. Charles R. Hill left here about 3:15 a.m. for West Chester with pair mules that I sold to J. McBrunner, Philadelphia. Much cooler, then down to 68 this eve. Ther. 68.

Tuesday, August 1

Attending burial of Dominic Thombinik who died at St. Joseph Hospital, Lancaster, on the 29<sup>th</sup> just at 4 a.m. of double pneumonia. In his 38<sup>th</sup> yr. Buried him in the Mt. Zion Cemetery in line of Kerbaugh people on free ground. John C. Zercher helping, a.m. At mill in p.m., posting books, etc. Paid Charles R. Hill \$5 for taking mules to West Chester. Very pleasant day. Cool. Very bad case. Then down to 61 this a.m. at 6:00 o'clock. 68 at noon, and 68 at 9 p.m. Casket, etc. \$35.00 + Grave \$2.50 + Embalming \$2.50 = \$40.

Wednesday, August 2

At River Corner in company with Newel Imlay. Were to see Mrs. McPhadden about some photos of their son George's Grace. She ordered ½ dozen. We walked along the line of railroad building there. It is certainly a great piece of work. Returned home about 11 o'clock. Rec'd word of the death of one of H.S. Kerbaugh's men at St. Jos. Hospital Lancaster. Went in and brought body out. Returned home about 4 p.m. Embalmed body at once. He died yesterday eve. about 6 o'clock. Not in very good shape. Very pleasant day. Warmer. Theo. 29 this month.

Thursday, August 3

Brought out another body of Kerbaugh's man from St. Joseph Hospital. Working about house a.m. lining casket, etc. Buried body of John Franke, German #\_\_ at Mt. Zion Cemetery in line of Kerbaugh people. Aged

28 years, at 4 o'clock p.m. No friends present. Warm all day. Casket 35.00 + Grave 2.50 + Embalm 2.50 = \$40.00.

Friday, August 4

John C. went to Lancaster early this morning for casket, etc. I lined same and buried Martin Bisking, #4512, at Mt. Zion Cemetery. Rev. Polak and about 25 of his friends were present, at 10 o'clock, a.m. Went to Pequea in company with a number of undertakers, we having an outing there this p.m. Paid \$1.50 for fare and supper. Had a pleasant time at house in eve. Very warm all day. Casket 35.00 + Grave 2.50 + Embalm 2.50 = \$40.00.

Saturday, August 5

Working about house mowing yard, etc., a.m. At mill, p.m. At IORM in eve. The following committee on annual supper was appointed: A.L. Martin, Christian Urban, Martin Markley, J.W. Morrison, and J.B. Urban, to take place next Saturday, eve. Very warm all day. Sent check to G.N. Reynolds, gen. agent for Wm. M. Lebos Co. for my yearly payment due August 8.

Sunday, August 6

At Sunday school and at Catholic Church at Safe Harbor. Paid Father Crane \$7.50 for two graves on the cemetery there to date, a.m. About house, p.m. At church in eve. Rev. Mr. Noacher, one of our former pastors, preached for us a very able sermon on the future of the church. Matt. 16-18. Very warm all day. Quite cold in eve. Made some changes in Sunday school classes today and appointed Chas. Hill and Norman Good teachers.

Monday, August 7

At Lancaster partly all day, attending organization meeting of the county

committee (Republican). I was placed on the auditing committee, and found them correct. I was also continued on the finance committee. Samuel W. Diller was re-elected chairman without opposition. Attended to other business, most important being the buying of the S.J. Reeves farm near Shenk's Ferry, 114 acres for \$3000, which is certainly very cheap. I dealt with Allen A. Herr. At home in eve. Warm all day.

Tuesday, August 8

Rev. M.M. Noacher with us overnight. I took him to Safe Harbor, Shenk's Ferry, Colemanville, to look over the low-grade railroad first building, a.m. Working about home getting ready for the thresher tomorrow, etc., p.m. Very warm all day.

Wednesday, August 9

Threshed out my oats and rye to bus oats and bus rye + 4700 lb. straw (bailed). Rec'd word about 10:30 of death of a child at Creswell Station Camp #8, a Polish family. On my way home, rec'd word of a child dying at #47 Spring Street, Safe Harbor, a Slavish. Will bury both tomorrow. At home in eve. Very warm all day. Raining a.m. and part of p.m. Paid Harry Hoak \$7 for threshing and bailing.

Thursday, August 10

Lining casket and attending funeral of Polish child at Creswell. Buried at Catholic Church, Safe Harbor. Father's number is 8302, a.m. Finished casket and attended funeral of infant daughter Lubetzia of Laura Novasell, aged 10 weeks, buried at Catholic Church, Safe Harbor, and from there to mill, etc., p.m. John C. went to Lancaster about 3:30 this morning and fetched out 2 small caskets, and took Blanche along in to Mrs. Bruner's. She returned home this eve. Very warm all day. Polish, #8302, \$10.00 paid. Slavish, casket 15, grave 5, digging 1.50. Paid.

Friday, August 11

At mill posting books, etc., and made out statement of M.E. Manning, who died June 16, 1904, a.m. Working about house all of p.m. Very warm all day. So sultry.

Saturday, August 12

Working about house partly all day. Took heifer over to Amos Graver's. At IORM in eve. Not a very large attendance. Everything passed off nicely. Very warm all day. Several thunder gusts afternoon and eve. But not much rain.

Sunday, August 13

At Sunday school a.m. About house and went to meet Rev. Noacher at trolley, but did not run on acct. of storms this p.m. We had a pretty heavy one. The lightning struck in Benj. Morton's house, but did not do much damage, p.m. At church in eve. Preaching by Rev. M.M. Noacher. He preached a very good sermon. Text: "He careth for you." Warm all day. Thunder gust p.m.

Monday, August 14

At Lancaster on business. Rec'd a written report from W.W. Greist, Pres. and Supt. Mr. Litzel with regard to our trolley line. He recommends the Willow Street route to Conestoga Centre but not so favorable from Conestoga Centre to Safe Harbor on account of grade. Rec'd word this eve. of the death of a Slav at St. Joseph's Hospital, Lancaster. John C. and I went for it tonight and returned home about 1 o'clock a.m. Body in very bad shape; died on Saturday night already. Warm all day.

Tuesday, August 15

Working about house, etc., a.m. Went to Lancaster for casket about 11:30. Returned home about 3 p.m. Lined casket and took body down to Safe Harbor for burial. Rev. Father Crause sent an assistant to hold burial

service, p.m. Rec'd pay from the Slav. Charged \$43, Steven Gorosch, aged 22. Raining, p.m. \$43.00 cash.

Wednesday, August 16

Rec'd word of another Slav who died at Lancaster. Sent John C. in for him. He will be taken to Steelton PA for burial. Jacob Kosko, #779, tomorrow a.m. Working about house p.m., and lined casket, etc., this eve. Very much cooler, cloudy partly all day, and damp.

Thursday, August 17

Went to Lancaster, and from there to Steelton with body of Jacob Kosko #779. Held service in the Greek Catholic Church there. This was the first service of the Greeks I ever saw, and it is so very strange, nothing near like the Roman Church. Left for home on the 3:45 train at Harrisburg. Arrive at Lancaster 4:28, and home at 5:50. Tired, walked from Morton's. There were 4 Slavish men accompanied the body to Steelton. I had Mr. Harry Wilt to meet me with his hearse and to convey body. Charged me \$8.00 his service + 7.25 grave, etc., + 5 priest = 20.25. Very pleasant day. \$68.94.

Friday, August 18

About house in morning and at mill balance of day, posting books, etc. Expected car corn today, but failed to come in. Cool all day.

Saturday, August 19

Working about home a.m. Car of corn came in, started to unload, p.m. At M.E. celebration short time in eve, and at IORM. Pleasant but cool all day. Partly cloudy,

Sunday, August 20

At Sunday school a.m. about home p.m. and eve. very much cooler. Cloudy all day. Light rain, p.m.

Monday, August 21

At Lancaster, wife along. Attended to various items of business, etc. Returned home about 4:15 and had received a telephone message from Safe Harbor of the death of a Mr. Beam's child; went down and made the necessary arrangements. Will bury tomorrow a.m. at Mt. Zion Cemetery. I engaged Rev. Mr. Bond, the M.E. preacher, to hold the burial service. Much warmer today.

Tuesday, August 22

Lining casket, made roughbox, and attended burial of infant son of G.E. Beam, an assistant master mechanic of the Kerbaugh people, Safe Harbor. Aged about 5 hours. Buried at the Mt. Zion Cemetery in Lot 173, Block 25, at foot of Mr. Coy's child, which is buried at head of lot. Rev. Mr. Bond held burial service and received check for \$5.00 for same, a.m. Went to mill posting books and fetched some feed along up. Sold my new horse this morn to Harry Resh for \$115.00. Very warm all day. Chas. came home from Asbury Park this eve, very unexpectedly. (Cash in advance \$18).

Wednesday, August 23

Called to Safe Harbor to take charge of the body of Wm. Givens who was found dead along RR between Safe Harbor and Shenk's Ferry. Supposed he died of heart failure. Fetched body up and embalmed, washed dressed, and got casket ready and put body in and took it to Lancaster city and shipped it to Hazelton, Pa., his parents living there. Aged about 26 years. John C. went along in. Took my day horse along in and got Resh a check for same. \$47. Very warm all day.

Thursday, August 24

Rec'd word last night about 10 o'clock of the death of Barbara, daughter of D.B. Warfel. Charles went out and took charge of body. I stopped on my way home from Lancaster,

went out about 7:30 a.m. and embalmed body and then went to Safe Harbor. Took Charles along down by request of Mr. J.W. McWilliams for a job. He succeeded in getting a position and went right to work, a.m. About house, put plank in front of horse stalls, and working about home, p.m. Went out to look after body in eve. Very warm all day. Hailstorm, heavy rain at Lititz and neighborhood. (Charles started work for H.G. Kerbaugh and Co.)

Friday, August 25

Working about house, etc., a.m. Rec'd word of the death of Stephen Dutchels #9513 at St. Joseph Hospital of fracture of skull. Brought body out and embalmed same, p.m. Raining very heavy all of a.m. and part of p.m. This was the heaviest continued rain we have had for a number of years I think.

Saturday, August 26

Lining casket; took case to cemetery for Barbara Warfel. Rec'd word of the death of an Italian infant at Camp #5, a.m. John C. went to Lancaster to bring out caskets, etc. I am busy lining casket, etc., and went to Safe Harbor with small case and made arrangements for the burial of Stephen Dutchels and will bury him and Italian child tomorrow a.m. at Catholic Cemetery, Safe Harbor. At mill in eve. Much cooler all day.

Sunday, August 27

Three funerals today in a.m. Barbara Ann Warfel. Born July 28, 1891; died August 23, 1905; aged 14 years and 26 days. Rev. Mr. Bond preached from Malachi 3:17. Rev. Abrm. Herr spoke on same. Bearers: Ray Bortzfield, Chester Pries, Harold Pries, Russell Smith walked from home to church, M.E. Funeral at 10 a.m.: Stephen Dutchels, in his 21 year, buried at Catholic Cemetery, Safe Harbor. M.B. Good attended. Italian child from Camp #5, aged 9 mos., buried at

Catholic Cemetery, Safe Harbor. Rev. Father J.F. O'Donnell held the service, a Catholic priest. John C. had charge of this one. I drove down immediately after the Warfel funeral. At house p.m. and eve. Much cooler. Warfel \$45; Dutchels \$35; Italian \$23; Priest \$15 each. Cash.

Monday, August 28

At Lancaster, signed agreement at Allan A. Herr's office for purchase of the Reeves's farm in River Corner and attended to other business, a.m. Returned home, brought stools from D.B. Warfel's used at funeral yesterday. Rec'd \$25 on account of burial of daughter. Bought 1 bush. of peaches and paid \$1 for same. At home in eve. Ex-deputy Sheriff Evans reported having found a horse at Shenk's Ferry Hotel stables that was \_\_\_ at Quarryville over a week ago. Very pleasant day. Cool this morning. Ther. down to 51.

Tuesday, August 29

Rec'd word this morning of the sudden death of Mrs. Harry Hess, found dead in bed of heart failure. Went over and took charge of body, embalmed same. Funeral to be Friday morning at 9 & 10 o'clock. Very stout, a.m. working about home and drove to Safe Harbor and Colemanville to see Ed Lerno on particular business with regard to Mr. Ben \_\_\_\_. At house in eve. Very pleasant day.

Wednesday, August 30

Rec'd word this morning of the death of a Slav at Camp #8 Creswell, also child of Aaron J. Klines, Highville. Went up to Klines and then to Creswell and brought Slav body along home about 1:30 p.m. Working at body and about 5 o'clock, rec'd word to come to Camp #6 at once, that four men had been killed by a premature explosion of dynamite and powder. Took John C. with me and J.W. Morrison and Christ Urban went along with him. Terrible place to go for bodies. Upset

wagon and John and I were thrown out. Got home and worked til after 1 o'clock to clean and dress them. Mr. B. Good went over to see after Mrs. Hess body. Reported favorable. Very pleasant day.

Thursday, August 31

Telephoned to Harrisburg for 3 large and 2 small caskets. Lined coffin for Mrs. Hess and four for railroad men. Sent John C. to Lancaster for caskets, etc. Put bodies in caskets and shrouded them for tomorrow and took coffin over to Harry Hess'. Very busy all day, worked till after 1:30 last night and will have to work late tonight. Partly cloudy. Buried Aztoyor Rulon #11561 at Mt. Zion Cemetery this p.m. Rec'd pay for service from his countrymen. \$38 cash.

Friday, September 1

Attending funeral of Mrs. Eliza Hess. Born July 20, 1836. Died August 29, 1905. Aged 69-1-9. Rev. Jacob Thomas opened the service and Rev. Abrm. Witmer preached from Rev. 22:12. Bearers: Andrew M. and Jacob B. Keeseey, Jacob M. Charles, Martin B. Good, and David Sangrey. 18 teams. Henry Hess, the husband of dec'd., was taken home before services at the church; he became sick. Did not take body into church, a.m. Buried one of the victims of the explosion at Safe Harbor Catholic Cemetery; Rev. B. Donnell officiated. And other three Slavs at Mt. Zion Cemetery, Conestoga Centre; had a photo taken of the three caskets. This was a very busy day for me—5 burials in one day, and attended them myself. Warm all day. Hess \$40. 4 R.R. men, \$140.

Saturday, September 2

Attending funeral of Chester H., infant son of Aaron J. Kline. Born 4-5-05, died 8-30-05, aged 4 mos., 25 days. Rev. Abrm. Witmer, text, Zach. 13:7 latter clause. Bearer, self. 10 teams. Rev.

Mr. Birck made a few very appropriate closing remarks. Took dinner at house and returned home about 3 p.m., fetching Charles along from Safe Harbor. Took Charles down to Safe Harbor in eve. for his work which he likes very much. At IORM in eve. Offered the resolutions on the death of G.C. of W. Geo. W. Kreamer, which were adopted. Heavy rain part of p.m. Rain in eve. and stormy (much cooler). A.J. Kline \$19.00 cash.

Sunday, September 3

At Sunday school and missionary meeting, a.m. About house p.m. At preaching by Rev. Shelly in eve. Rain at noon and part of p.m. Warm all day.

Monday, September 4

Working about house. At mill posting books, etc., p.m. Rec'd word this eve. of the death of Christ Biechler child. Went down and took charge of body. Funeral on Wednesday, at 1 + 2 p.m. Rained part of a.m. Warmer.

Tuesday, September 5

At Lancaster attending to some business, etc., etc. and returned home about 4 p.m. and very busy. Blanche along in Lancaster. Pleasant day.

Wednesday, September 6

Lining casket, etc., a.m. attending funeral of Lloyd B., infant son of Christ and Lillie Biechler. Born December 26, 1904 and died September 4, 1905. Aged 8 mos. and 8 days. Rev. Mr. Bond preached: Suffer little children and forbid them not, etc. Bearers: C. Wesley Benedict, Maris Smith, Paul Tressler, Maris Groff. Small funeral. Very pleasant day. \$18.

Thursday, September 7

Attending burial of a Slav Mike Rasich #4418 at Mt. Zion Cemetery, a.m. Working about home and at the mill, p.m. At home in eve.

Very pleasant day (cool). John C. finished his tobacco cutting today. \$35 + grave \$2 = \$37.

Friday, September 8

Called to Steigerwalts Hill (near Spotts) to take charge of the bodies of Jos. Tera, an Italian and James Lynch an Irishman, who burned to a crisp in the burning of a three-story boarding house there, and 7 others injured. Brought bodies home, a.m. At Safe Harbor at office of H.S. Kerbaugh (incorp.) to make arrangements for the burial of these bodies. Mr. J.W. McWilliams gave me check in payment of my account to date \$451.44 less 2.50 in cash Total 453.94 for 11 jobs. Quite a good bill. Very pleasant day.

Saturday, September 9

Sent 2 cases to Catholic Cemetery Safe Harbor for the bodies of men burned. Lining caskets, etc., and trimming same, a.m. Put bodies in ready for burial and picking apples for balance of day. Very pleasant day. Warmer. Cool in eve. C. \_\_\_\_\_ Eckman, widow of Martin, will be buried tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at M.E. Church, this place, from Lancaster city.

Sunday, September 10

At Sunday school and preaching, Harvest Service, a.m. Attending funeral of Joseph Terzzy, Italian, aged 30 years, and James Lynch, Irish, 35 years, the two men who were burned Thursday night on Steigerwalts Hill. Father O'Donnell officiated at 2 p.m. Mr. Newel Imly took a picture of same at graves. About home in eve. Very pleasant day. Italian \$35, Irishman \$35.

Monday, September 11

At Lancaster all day. Blanche along in for treatment. Will stay at Mr. Bruner's til tomorrow. I bought pair hanes and traces, back straps, choke straps of Yecker and paid

for same \$5.60. Martin B. Foutz came along out with me. Raining partly all day.

Tuesday, September 12

At mill posting books all day. Partly cloudy and cool all day.

Wednesday, September 13

Boiling apple butter and went down to Frank Hess (Silver Mine Farm) and bought 3 tons of hay @ \$11 per ton, a.m. At mill posting books, etc. Much cooler this eve.

Thursday, September 14

Called out this morning at 2 o'clock to take charge of the body of Christian Biechler, child of David, who died of dysentery. This is very sad for just on the 6<sup>th</sup> they buried their baby. Went to Safe Harbor about 9:30 a.m. and helped to unload car of oats, worked hard all day. Went to Lancaster this eve. for casket, etc., returned home about 11 o'clock. Cool all day and eve. Ther. 46.

Friday, September 15

Made rough box, etc., took it to the cemetery, and chairs to house. Lining and trimming casket this a.m. Working about house this p.m. and eve. Ther. down to 44. Cool all day.

Saturday, September 16

Took casket to Biechler's and dressed body and ready for this p.m. Attending funeral of David E., son of Christ and Lillie Biechler. Born 1-15-02, died 9-14-05, aged 2 yrs. 7 mos., 29 days. Rev. Mr. Bond spoke from \_\_\_\_\_. Bearers: Cyrus Biechler, Willis Steinman, uncle of dec'd. Sad funeral, having buried their baby just 10 days ago, and this boy being so bright and cheerful. Then he had a pair of red pants on and looked so cute. But such is life, short and uncertain. Brought stools home and went to Safe Harbor in eve. to IOOF, but had

no meeting—Amos and Martin and I. Pleasant all day and eve. \$20 casket, \$2 shroud.

Sunday, September 17

At Sunday school, a.m. At home, p.m. and eve. Dr. Good and wife, Miss Keene, and Miss Clara Eshelman here and took dinner with us. Damp and rainy p.m. and eve.

Monday, September 18

Called to Safe Harbor to take charge of the body of a small child of one of the railroad men. At Lancaster on business. Was to see Allan A. Herr with regard to the farm in River Corner (Reeves) and am assured by him that I will get the farm at any offer, p.m. At home in eve. Mr. and Mrs. Bruner came here this eve. to spend a few days. Raining and very damp, a.m. Very warm this p.m.

Tuesday, September 19

Lined casket and attended burial of Frank, infant son of John and Catherine Winter, Germans at Safe Harbor. Aged only a few hours. Buried at Catholic Cemetery Safe Harbor in 2<sup>nd</sup> row at upper end. Rec'd pay for same, a.m. About house writing, etc., p.m. Warm all day. \$15.

Wednesday, September 20

Working in shop, etc., a.m. In shop part of p.m. Rec'd word about 2:30 of the death of Peter Kronevitch, an Austrian of the RR works. Went down to #10 Cedar St. where I took charge of body and brought it house to prep it for burial. Very warm all day. Sold our tobacco today to Jacob B. Harnish for \$.12 for wrappers and 2.7 cents for fillers. Sold it over the phone.

Thursday, September 21

Lining casket for Slav. Rec'd word of the death of George Rummel, a former resident of this place, at the county

hospital. Sent John C. in for body, arrived home at 12:30. Embalmed body. Buried body of Peter Kronevitch, a RR man who died of consumption at #10 Cedar Street Safe Harbor. Buried him at Mt. Zion next to last grave at North end of row. Working about house balance of day. Warmer, very pleasant. Casket \$35. Grave \$2. Total \$37.

Friday, September 22

Sowed rye on the tobacco patch on the Urban lot, etc., a.m. working the shop repairing, etc. John C. hauled out manure on where we seeded, p.m. At home in eve. Clear. Warm all day. Benj. B. Rummel, Sam'l Duke, and Harry Duke here late last eve. to make arrangements for the burial of George Rummel. I agreed to bury him for \$30—casket, shroud, etc.

Saturday, September 23

Took roughbox to Mt. Zion Cemetery. Lining casket, etc. Went to Safe Harbor, put cross on grave of John Winter's child. At H.M. Stauffer's and at mill, p.m. At IORM in eve. Very pleasant day. Cool.

Sunday, September 24

Attended funeral of George Rummel, born March 27, 1832; died September 20, 1905. Aged 75-5-23. Rev. Mr. Mengel spoke from Job 14:14. Bearers: Martin B. and Martin H. Good, Albert T. Henry, Amos. S. Benedict. Only the hearse had the body at my place; no near relatives. Took a collection at the church toward defraying expenses. Amounted to \$7.71. Benj. Rummel paid me \$5. Total \$12.71, a.m. About home p.m. and eve. Charles went to Millersville SS convention and Blanche to Dr. Good's, Letort, with Mr. and Mrs. Al Charles. Cool all day, especially in eve. \$30--\$12.71 cash.

Monday, September 25

At Lancaster attending to business (trolley, etc.). Also saw about the farm bought. Everything ok. Stopped at Al Hersh's to see about wagon they are building (Undertakers). Much cooler all day.

Tuesday, September 26

About home working about home and shop, a.m. At mill posting books, etc., p.m. At home in eve. Frost this morning and cool all day.

Wednesday, September 27

Working in shop partly all day, repairing furniture, etc. Warm all day.

Thursday, September 28

Helping to unload car bran at Safe Harbor for mill. Car was 1299 lbs. short and about 30 sacks damaged by water. Warm all day.

Friday, September 29

John C. Zercher and I were picking apples all day. We picked between 35 and 40 bushels. Had 2 loads of coal hauled for house today by John Rhinier with mill team. Very warm all day and dry.

Saturday, September 30

Picking apples, John C. helping, a.m. Working about house & at mill, p.m. At IORM in eve. Very warm and dry.

Sunday, October 1

Wife and I went down to Eberley's and to Mother's. Found Eberley's well, but Mother not so good. She is getting very thin. At church in eve. Very warm and dry.

Monday, October 2

At Lancaster attending to business of various kinds. Bought car mixed corn @ 60¾ cents per bushel. Rec'd word of car straw being at Pequea. The agreement of the Reeves farm has been signed by the heirs and returned to

Mr. Herr, and I signed. Brought Bertha Bruner along out to stay a few days. Warm all day and dry. Partly cloudy.

Tuesday, October 3

Rec'd word of the death of an Italian at St. Joseph Hospital, went in and brought body out. Returned home about 1 o'clock p.m. also rec'd word of the death of an Italian infant at the Christ Warfel farm, River Corner, a.m. Very busy getting caskets ready for service and took small casket down and put body in, p.m. and eve. Very pleasant. Had a very nice rain last night.

Wednesday, October 4

Attending funerals of Ben Bencolico's child Bertilie, aged about 7 weeks, and Tony DeAngelo, aged 25 years. Both buried at Catholic Cemetery Safe Harbor at top of 2<sup>nd</sup> row. Priest: Father O'Donnell present, a.m. unloading car straw at Safe Harbor, this p.m. Warm all day. Child \$17. Man \$35.

Thursday, October 5

Hauled corn fodder off of Mrs. Keene's lot this morning and then went to the mill balance of the day, posting books, etc. Saw Aldus M. Charles this eve. and decided to not go partners with the Reeve's Farm, River Corner. So I will try it myself. Hope I may succeed. Very pleasant day.

Friday, October 6

Working about house, a.m. At River Corner, Safe Harbor mill, etc., p.m. Very pleasant day (cool).

Saturday, October 7

Picking apples, John C. and I, a.m. Working about house, p.m. At IORM in eve. The following chiefs were raised up: Sachem Miles Miller, S.S. Martin Markley, J.S. John Shenk, Trustee Edw. Duke. Very pleasant day. Quite cool in eve. Heavy frost this morning.

Sunday, October 8

At Sunday school and preaching, a.m. About home, p.m. and eve. very pleasant day.

Monday, October 9

At Lancaster. Blanche and Charles along in. Got shoes for Charles, \$3.50. Blanche staid in, Chas. came along home. Gave security for Reeves Farm today. Warm all day.

Tuesday, October 10

John C. and I husking corn, a.m. John C. husking p.m. I was working about house, p.m. Much cooler, cloudy. Looks very much for rain. Frank Warfel digging out for new house on the lot joining the store.

Wednesday, October 11

Working in shop partly all day and about farm. Raining partly all day. Heavy.

Thursday, October 12

Called out last night about 12 o'clock to take charge of the body of Joseph Urban whom I have known from boyhood, who died at his daughter's, Mrs. David Good, Marticville, where he had went on a visit. Embalmed body, etc. Went over this morning and made arrangements for funeral for Sunday at 9 and 10 a.m. Working about house balance of day. Cool all day.

Friday, October 13

Went over to Good's to see after body, and rec'd word of the death of an Italian back of #2 stable. Went down and brought body home and embalmed same, etc., p.m. Went to Lancaster in eve. and brought out casket from ex office. Cool all day.

Saturday, October 14

Sent roughbox to M.E. Cemetery for Urban and took one to Catholic Cemetery, Safe Harbor, etc., a.m. Lining casket and coffin and

buried Italian Joseph Nicholas (Italian), aged about 35 years, at Catholic Cemetery, Safe Harbor at 4 p.m., and then took coffin over to David Good's and put the body of Joseph Urban in it, ready for tomorrow. John C. along. Much warmer today. Paid Jacob Henry for digging 19 graves. Casket \$35.

Sunday, October 15

Attending funeral of Joseph Urban, born April 10, 1831; died October 11, 1905; aged 74-6-1. Rev. C.B. Miller spoke from Job 16:22, and Rev. E.J. Bond made a few closing remarks. Bearers: C.R., J.R., and J.H. Wissler and W.H. Fissel. 15 carriages. Very large funeral at the church, could not nearly all get into the church. Body kept very naturally. John C. drove, a.m. At Safe Harbor, p.m., at a meeting at IOOF Elected officers; the lodge elected me their secretary. At church in eve. Warm all day. Shroud and coffin \$28 each, from Christ.

Monday, October 16

At Lancaster, Charles along, having his teeth filled, etc. Joseph Harnish (Pequea) agreed to put the money in the Reeves' farm that Martha needs at a reasonable rate of interest not over 4 ½%. Returned home about 3:30 p.m. Had black heifer away today. Very pleasant day.

Tuesday, October 17

Brought stools from David Good's, Marticville, and got horse shod, a.m. Christ Good getting land ready for seeding, and helping him to seed, all of p.m. Very tired this eve. Warm in sun, cool air.

Wednesday, October 18

Rec'd word of the death of the infant son of Edw. And Leah Eshelman at Marticville. Went over and took charge of body, a.m. Putting apples in cellar, etc., p.m. Funeral

on Friday 9 and 10. Warmer, few drops of rain, a.m.

Thursday, October 19

Went to Eshelman's and to Safe Harbor and case to cemetery, a.m. Lining casket, etc., and working about house, p.m. Raining partly all of p.m. Raining heavy in eve.

Friday, October 20

Attending funeral of Edward, infant son of Edward and Leah Eshelman, born August 4, 1905; died October 18, 1905; aged 2 mo. and 14 dy. Rev. Jacob Thomas spoke at home and Rev. Mr. Hunt of Millersville preached at church from Rom. 8:28. Bearers: Abrm. and Henry Hess, and Fred and Earl Eshelman. 14 teams. Very small funeral at church on account of heavy rain in morning and threatening conditions of weather during a.m. At Safe Harbor, etc., p.m. Paid to Charles Kreider and Wm. Fralich for baging corn in car yesterday a.m. Much cooler this eve. Heavy rain last night and this morning and part all of a.m. \$20.

Saturday, October 21

Working about house a.m. At mill, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve. Cool all day. Rec'd pay of Edw. Eshelman for burial of child.

Sunday, October 22

At Sunday school and preaching by Mr. Shellenberger, a.m. Took A.M. Martin to Safe Harbor to audit account of IOOF, p.m. At home in eve. Cool all day.

Monday, October 23

At Lancaster. Brought casket out from Pa R.R. and attended to other business, etc. Paid Wm. Bitts for hauling, etc. to date, \$4.85. Cool all day. Sold fat hog to Benj. F. Trissler @ 8 cents per lb., dressed.

Tuesday, October 24

Working about house, a.m. Rec'd word of the

death of a Slav at St. Joseph Hospital. Sent John C. in for body. I am working about house. Damp all day. Light rain p.m.

Wednesday, October 25

Working about home getting casket ready for Slav. Attending sale of mill property at Safe Harbor; did not sell. Was up to \$3800 but was withdrawn. Attending burial of Mike Dobruch, about 35 yrs. Buried at Mt. Zion. No friends. At 4 p.m. At home in eve. Raining partly all day. Casket \$35.00, grave \$2.00.

Thursday, October 26

Working in shop, etc., a.m. Helping to unload bricks for Frank Warfel's new house, a.m. Collecting fire tax, etc., p.m. At home in eve. Cold raw wind all day.

Friday, October 27

Had John Rhinier and the mill team up all day hauling stones for walk from Jacob Mellinger's, West Willow. John C. helping. Pleasant all day.

Saturday, October 28

At mill in morning, expected to stay all day, but returned home, having rec'd word by phone of the death of a Slav, and an Italian child at Creswell, a.m. Went up and took charge of bodies. Brought body of man along home, child to remain and bury tomorrow. J.W. Morrison, Deputy Coroner along to investigate cause of blast being put off and large stones struck shanties killing one Slav while sleeping and injuring another and killing child while sleeping between mother and small brother. Very sad. Someone's neglect of duty. Much warmer.

Sunday, October 29

Attending funeral of Elsie Catherine, daughter of Armella and Percelia Romalia (Italians), aged 11 mos. and 29 dys. At Camp

#8, Creswell, buried at 4 p.m. Columbia. Services at chapel in cemetery. Returned home at 6:30 p.m. Clarence D. Myers, wife and daughter here for supper and spent the evening. He is chief clerk in the H.S. Kerbaugh (Incorp.) at Safe Harbor, PA. Cool all day. Much cooler this eve. Cash \$20.

Monday, October 30

Working about home. Took roughbox to Mt. Zion Cemetery, lining casket, etc., and getting ready for hauling corn fodder tomorrow. Attended funeral of Pete Madish, aged 19 years, who was killed by a stone breaking through shanty on Saturday morning at Creswell. Very fine looking young man, measured 6 ft. Two brothers, a sister-in-law, and 1 Slav were present at the burial. Pleasant all day. Very heavy frost. Some ice this morning. Casket \$35.00, grave \$2.00.

Tuesday, October 31

Working hard all day, hauling corn fodder all day, and finished. John Zercher and John Rhinier helped. Took wife to trolley this eve. She went in to see her father at Lancaster. Pleasant all day. Stormy part of day.

Wednesday, November 1

Albert L. Henry here all day. He and I laid the stone walks in yard from front gate to side porch, then back to barn and woodhouse. He charged \$2 for laying them. Paid same. Pleasant all day, but stormy.

Thursday, November 2

At Lancaster, Blanche along in, and wife and her along home. Coldest morning of the season.

Friday, November 3

At mill all day posting books, etc. Fetched feed along for self. Cold raw wind. Damp and raining in p.m. and eve.

Saturday, November 4

At Safe Harbor to see H.H. Kurtz with regard to surveying, etc., of farm and about election on Tuesday,. And repairing table, etc., a.m. Went to Benj. Morton's after dinner to clerk at real estate sale of his property, which was sold to Elmer his son for \$3500, p.m. at IORM in eve. Cold raw air all day.

Sunday, November 5

At Sunday school and preaching, a.m. W.F. Bruner, wife Joline and Beckie Martin Warfel here this p.m. Will and I drove to Safe Harbor to see the new railroad, etc. They started for Philadelphia this eve. Very pleasant but cold, cloudy p.m. Rain in eve. Very heavy frost this morning.

Monday, November 6

At Lancaster partly all day. Blanche along in for a few days. Served as inspector for the Lancaster and Willow Street Turnpike Co. at their annual election of officers. Rec'd \$1.00 for same. Pleasant but cooler.

Tuesday, November 7

Attending state treasurer county ticket election all day. Was busy all day. 381 votes polled, 317 for Plumber, 57 for Berry, etc. Cool all day, but nice for Election Day. At church in eve. Preaching by Bro. Roth of Mountville Reformed Church.

Wednesday, November 8

Walked to Good's Station on the York Furnace Trolley Line and took the car to Martic Forge to meet Hon. Mr. Homsher and Jonas Huber. We were appointed by the court to view a road leading from Martic Forge along the Pequea Creek and the trolley line to Colemanville Bridge (Fred Shoffs). We walked over the road and adjourned to meet at #2 courtroom on Monday, the 13<sup>th</sup> at 1 o'clock. Returned home about 2:30 p.m.

Working about house balance of day, putting cinder on walk (front, etc.) Nearly everything in the state went Democratic yesterday, except Alleghany Co. and Lancaster Co. At church in eve. Preaching by Bro. Bond of M.E.C. Cold all day.

Thursday, November 9

Working about home all day putting cinder on the front walk. Much colder and regular. Snow a.m. At church this eve. Preaching by Bro. Shelby.

Friday, November 10

Working in shop all day. Chas. collecting fire tax, a.m. and went to Safe Harbor to see Kerbaugh people about job, and succeeded. Go to work tomorrow. I am glad he did. At church in eve. Preaching by Bro. Shelby. Cold all day. Ther. 28.

Saturday, November 11

Working about home, a.m. Rec'd word of the death of an Italian at Camp #7. Took the Deputy Coroner along and took charge of the body. He was killed by a large stone weighing about 800 lbs. rolling on him. Brought body along to prepare it for burial. Name Philip Salamone #10509. Will hold funeral on Tuesday, morning at 10 at Catholic Cemetery Safe Harbor. At IORM in eve. Cold all day.

Sunday, November 12

Rec'd word this morning of the death of an Italian at St. Joseph Hospital Lancaster Pa. Went in and brought body out. Name Peter Fratepipen. Returned home at 1 p.m. About home p.m. Will bury on Tuesday, morning with the other unless we hear differently. At church in eve. Preaching by Rev. Shelby. Very pleasant day.

Monday, November 13

At Lancaster. Made report on road. View to vacate road between Martic Forge and

Colemanville. Attended to other business. Received word of the death of a Slav at Camp #6, caused by being crushed between bumpers of a Dinkey car. Jacob Morrison and John C. Zercher brought body up to Centre. I rec'd word at Lancaster of the death of an Italian Mike Zalavoski aged about 34 years, at St. Joseph Hospital. Brought body along out. At church in eve. Rev. M.M. Noacher a very instructional sermon. Fodder shredders came this eve. Cloudy all day. Light rain in eve.

Tuesday, November 14

Harry Hoak came here last night with shredder. Commenced shredding this morning; finished til noon. Paid him \$4.00 for same. Attending funeral of two Italians at Safe Harbor Catholic Church. Philip Salamone #10509 and Pete Fratepipen, a.m. Went to Lancaster and brought out two caskets, p.m. Was called out last night at 2:30 to take charge of the body of Isaac Urban near Highville, a brother of J.B. Urban. Went up and laid out body and embalmed same. Funeral on Friday, at Highville at 9 and 10 o'clock a.m. Coldest day; cold all day. Each \$35.00 = \$70. Grave for one \$5.00...\$75.00.

Wednesday, November 15

Went to Urban's to look after body. On way home, rec'd word of death of an Englishman on the low-grade railroad. Took Deputy Coroner Morrison along and found that two men were killed, the one blown to pieces; only a small portion of him could be found. The other had his face and hands terribly mangled. Held an inquest; the verdict was: a premature explosion while preparing a mud cap, cause unknown to anyone. Brought remains home. Mr. Urdemyer fetched a body from here this p.m. to bury at Lancaster. Buried Mike Zalavoski this p.m. at Mt. Zion Cemetery. Rec'd word of the death of one of the men at St. Joseph Hospital who was in the

explosion today. Cold all day. Casket, etc. \$40 cash. Care of body of Italian \$15.00.

Thursday, November 16

Went to Lancaster early this morning for two caskets and fetched body of Bosco Stoinan #670, a Slav who was hurt in yesterday's explosion. Died at St. Joseph Hospital, a.m. John C. took roughbox for Isaac Urban to Highville. Lining casket for Urban and one for the Slav. Very busy. At church in eve. Damp and light rain, a.m. Much cooler, p.m. and eve.

Friday, November 17

Attending funeral of Isaac B. Urban. Born August 14, 1845; died November 14, 1905; aged 60 yrs. 1 mo. Rev. Mr. Behney preached from 1 Cor. 15:53-58. Rev. Mr. Mengel made a few very appropriate remarks. Bearers: A.F. Bruner, Andrew Pagen, Benj. McMullen, and Geo. Dabler. 12 carriages. Everything passed off very nicely, the family being very much pleased with my work, and paid me cash for same, a.m. Lining caskets and getting body ready to take to Steelton tomorrow. Fetched stools home this eve. Sent John C. out to Al Hersh for my undertaker's wagon. Will use it tomorrow to take body to Lancaster for Steelton if nothing happens at church in eve. Cold all day. Casket \$50, blanket \$2.50, shroud \$1.00= \$53.50 cash.

Saturday, November 18

Went to Steelton this morning with body of Bosco Stoinan #670, a Slav who died of the effects of a premature explosion on the Low-Grade Freight Line on the 15<sup>th</sup> just, and buried in cemetery there. Harry Will furnished hearse, etc., there for me, returned about 4 p.m. John C. Zercher buried the remains of Vincennes Derazio, 37 years (wife and children at Italy), and Juan Domario, #4977, 23 years, single, at Catholic

/cemetery, Safe Harbor, this p.m. at 3 o'clock. At IORM in eve. 5 pale faces were initiated this eve. Used my undertaker's wagon for the first today to have the body of Bosco Stoinan, the Slav, to Lancaster. Paid H. Will \$16.25 for services. Very pleasant day. #1- Casket and expenses \$63.00. #2 Casket \$35.00. #3 Casket \$35.00.

Sunday, November 19

At Sunday school and Communion services, a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Cool all day. Mary, Ellie, and Amanda Kendig, daughters of Eli J. and Sarah Kendig, united with the church this morning.

Monday, November 20

At Lancaster attending to business partly all day. Gave note to A.S. Hersh for \$125.0, payable April 1, 1906, for dead wagon. Cold raw wind all day.

Tuesday, November 21

Working about house partly all day. At mill in eve. This is Martha's birthday, her 46<sup>th</sup>. We were married 25 years this eve. We gave a supper to only a few of our friends: Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Yentzer, Mrs. Sue J. Keene, Wm. Bitts, Miss Clara Eshleman, and our own family. We spent a very pleasant evening. Cold all day.

Wednesday, November 22

Working about home all day. Went to Safe Harbor in eve. Rec'd check for balance due on burial of railroad men of H.S. Kerbaugh, \$312.00. Cool all day.

Thursday, November 23

Helping to survey the farm I bought of S/J. Reeves (heirs). Known as the Ore Mines Farm. Worked busy all day. H.H. Kurtz surveyor. Chas. and Chester Kreider, John C.

Zercher helped. Am very tired this eve. Very pleasant day.

Friday, November 24

Finished surveying farm about 3 p.m. Came home by way of Safe Harbor. Took H.H. Kurtz, the surveyor, home. Much cooler than yesterday. State sprayer at J.R. Yentzer's today, showing how to spray, etc., for the scale, etc. Sorry I could not be there.

Saturday, November 25

Working about home, a.m. Went to mill posting books, etc., p.m. Amos F. Martin and I went to Safe Harbor for to attend a meeting of the IOOF, but no quorum present. Pleasant all day, cool.

Sunday, November 26

At Sunday school, made arrangements for Christmas service on Christmas evening, a.m. About home p.m. and eve. No preaching this eve. in the village on account of smallpox being in the neighborhood. Partly cloudy all day, moderating.

Monday, November 27

At Lancaster, Blanche along in. Attended to various business, etc. Rec'd word of the death of Mr. Johnson's child at Safe Harbor. They brought the body up to our house. Drove down in eve. to make arrangements for burial on Wednesday morning from our place. Pleasant all day, cool.

Tuesday, November 28

Working about house, had been to Safe Harbor this morning, car of oats came in. lined casket this eve. Raining all of p.m. Very acceptable.

Wednesday, November 29

Attending funeral of Robert Lee Johnson, born October 17 and died November 27, 1905, aged 1 mo., 10 days. Infant son of

Clarence Johnson, formerly of Massachusetts, now a clerk in the office of H.S. Kerbaugh Co, at Safe Harbor. I used my first metallic case (Sazonian), as he expects to raise body sometime in the future; am certainly pleased with it. Rev. Mr. Shelby held a short service here at our home, the parents being present. Buried child on John C. Warfel's lot in the Mt. Zion Cemetery at the end of the lot, a.m. At Safe Harbor helping to unload car oats, p.m. At home in eve. Rec'd word this eve. of the death of an Italian #5133, at St. Joseph Hospital, Lancaster. Rained partly all night and a.m. Heavy rain in eve. \$35.00.

Thursday, November 30

Brought out body of Andrew Trinneloni from St. Joseph hospital, died yesterday at 1:30 p.m. of injuries received of an explosion of powder on low grade railroad, a.m. two of his friends here to make arrangements for funeral on Saturday at 9:30 a.m. at Safe Harbor. They paid for burial, grave, and service of priest. Working about home, p.m. Great change in the weather, partly clear and very much colder. This is Thanksgiving Day and I am sure I have so much to be thankful for that I cannot enumerate them. Wm. Bitts fetched casket out, paid for same.

Friday, December 1

Working about home a.m. went to Lancaster early morn for casket etc. took one case to Catholic Cemetery Safe Harbor in eve. Fetched feed along up. Lined casket in eve. Cold all day and stormy. Rec'd word about 8:30 this eve. of the death of an Italian at Safe Harbor, hospital. Caused by being struck by a stone from a high embankment. #12135.

Saturday, December 2

Drove to Safe Harbor and brought up body of the Italian killed yesterday #12135. Attended funeral of Andrew Trinneloni #5133, son of

Thomas Trinneloni, Verona Malcesine, Italy, aged about 19 years. Father O'Donnell held mass. About 45 of his countrymen were present, and they held a service at the grave. His friend Frank Chiscarini paid for burial and priest, a.m. Working about home, p.m. At IORM in eve. Mrs. Aldus Warfel was buried at Mt. Zion this p.m. by J.B. Urban. Cold a.m. Damp p.m. Rain eve. Cash \$35.00.

Sunday, December 3

About house all day. No Sunday school or preaching on account of rain all of a.m. Spent a pleasant time at home with family, something almost unusual. Was called out about 7:45 this eve. to take charge of the body of Michael K. Kreider who died at his son Phares, who lives on the George Hess property near Rock Hill. Went over and laid out body and arranged for funeral on Wednesday, morning at 9 and 10 at Stone Church New Danville. Raining partly all last night and a.m. Damp and colder p.m. and eve.

Monday, December 4

Went to Lancaster, attended to business and came home about 3 o'clock, dressed body and put in casket, and took body of Italian Alfonso Cespra #12135 at Catholic Cemetery at 4 p.m. Cold all day. Casket \$35.00 Grave \$5.00.

Tuesday, December 5

Sent case to Stone Church at cemetery new Danville. And I went to Phares Kreider to look after body of his father; found it all right. went from there to Safe Harbor to mill and returned home by noon. Lining 3-piece walnut coffin for Kreider. John C. getting ready to butcher for us tomorrow and got everything ready for funeral tomorrow. Moderating some.

Wednesday, December 6

Attending funeral of Michael K. Kreider. Born March 20, 1828; died December 3, 1905. Aged 77-8-13. Rev. Abrm. B. Herr preached from Rev. 14:13. Bearers: Amos H. and Henry G. Kreider, Benj. K. Sangrey, Geo. K. Herr. 14 carriages. Sad funeral, the widow not being able to attend funeral, being in bed and very sick. Cold in morning, very pleasant during day. Martin F. Good and John C. butchered a hog for us today. Weighed about 400 lbs. \$38.00.

Thursday, December 7

Went over to Phares Kreider for stools, rec'd pay for coffin and funeral of the father, \$38.00, and from there to mill posting books, etc., balance of day. Cold but pleasant.

Friday, December 8

Working about home all day. Rec'd load of hay of Landis Miller. Paid for same, \$9.95. Went to Millersville in eve. to attend the annual meeting of F. and A.M., and the annual feast, which was fine. Enjoyed it very much. Cold all day.

Saturday, December 9

Working about home, a.m. Went to mill, fetched Charles along up, p.m. Went to Fred Shoff's in eve. by trolley in company of Benj. F. Trissler to attend a surprise for Mr. Shoff. We presented him with an office desk and large leather-covered rocker. He was certainly surprised. Light rain in eve.

Sunday, December 10

At Sunday school a.m. At Safe Harbor and home p.m. and eve. Very, very stormy from about 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Monday, December 11

At Lancaster, wife and Charles along in, bought clothes, etc. for family. Quite a

change from yesterday: not stormy and not near so cold. Paid Father O'Donnell \$17.00 balance due for burial, etc., in Catholic Cemetery Safe Harbor.

Tuesday, December 12

At mill etc., a.m. Went to Fred Shoff's sale, p.m. Practiced for Christmas Eve. Very pleasant day, especially in p.m.

Wednesday, December 13

At Lancaster brought out 2 caskets, a.m. At Lancaster brought out 2 caskets, p.m. At home in eve. Pleasant day, cooler, partly clear.

Thursday, December 14

Went to mill, had (Harry) horse shod by Wm. W. Aument and brought load of feed up for Mr. Groff and self, a.m. Working about house, p.m. Practicing for Christmas service in eve. Pleasant day, much colder in eve.

Friday, December 15

At mill posting books all day. Started to unload car corn this morning. About 2½ inches snow fell today, the first of the season. Cold all day. First snow of the season.

Saturday, December 16

Working about home a.m. At mill, brought Charles along up, p.m. At IORM in eve. Snowing and cold all day.

Sunday, December 17

At Sunday school and practicing for Christmas, a.m. At home, p.m. At preaching in eve. by Mr. Shelby. Cold all day but very pleasant.

Monday, December 18

At Lancaster, wife along. Was assured of the appointment of my friend Jacob W. Morrison, for whom I worked hard as mercantile appraiser, for 1906. Am very

much pleased. I informed so this eve. The coldest morning of the season, but pleasant day. Ther. 8.

Tuesday, December 19

Was called out early this morning to go to Creswell to take charge of the body of Mrs. Amos H. Herr, who died of pneumonia at 11 o'clock last night. Embalmed same, funeral on Friday morning at Creswell, a.m. Working about house, p.m. Practicing at church this eve. Cold and damp all day.

Wednesday, December 20

Went to Creswell to look after body, found it all right, a.m. Sent case and stools to Creswell by John C. in p.m. I am not feeling well at all today, have trouble with my bowels. Got medicine of Dr. Good. Bathed feet this eve, and feeling bad. Cloudy and damp.

Thursday, December 21

In house partly all day, had a bad night of it, but feel some better this eve. John C. went up to look after body this p.m., reports it all right. Will try to go along to attend funeral tomorrow. Rained and stormed very heavy all last night. Rain part of a.m. Cloudy all day. Rec'd my calendars this eve.

Friday, December 22

Attending funeral of Mary H., widow of the late Amos H. Herr. Born June 30, 1842, died December 18, 1905. Aged 63-5-19. Rev. Mr. Buck and presiding elder of the Evangelical Church, Rev. Mr. Drager. Text: 2Tim. 1-12. Bearers: E. Eshleman, R.D. and Bro. Frey, Jacob Shellenberger. 6 carriages. Very nice funeral. Did not return to house for dinner, a.m. Working about home balance of day. Pleasant day. \$45.00.

Saturday, December 23

John C. went up to Herr's for stools, etc. I was working about house, a.m. Took cupboard

down to Sam'l M. Shenk's in p.m. At IORM in eve. Much colder in eve.

Sunday, December 24

At Sunday school and practicing for Christmas, a.m. About house, p.m. At church in eve. Very pleasant day.

Monday, December 25

About house all day, spent a very pleasant Christmas. At church in eve. Held our Christmas service this eve. Had a very full house, and everything passed off very pleasantly. We treated the scholars to ½ lb. good candy, 1 orange, and 1 banana. I presented Bro. J.R. Yentzer with a writing desk for his Bible class. He was certainly taken down and highly pleased, as he knew nothing about it. I was then the victim: Mr. Yentzer then presented me with a black fur rug in behalf of the Sunday school. This was certainly a surprise to me, as I knew absolutely nothing about it. I never received anything I appreciate so highly. May God bless my /bible efforts as Supt. Pleasant day.

Tuesday, December 26

At Safe Harbor and went to Lancaster. Brought out casket from Pa. Freight. Cold, raw, damp air, wind all day.

Wednesday, December 27

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

Thursday, December 28

Helping to lay road tax, tax rate 2½ mills partly all day. Very pleasant day.

Friday, December 29

At mill, a.m. Rec'd word of the death of Mrs. Thomas Hollow of this place, of consumption. Took charge of body. Funeral Sunday at 1 and 2 p.m. Working about house balance of day.

Very bad roads. Rain partly all last night, very mild all day. Colder and stormy in eve.

Saturday, December 30

At Safe Harbor at the Kerbaugh Office and at mill. John took case to M.E. Cemetery, etc., a.m. Lining casket, etc., at Safe Harbor, p.m. At IORM in eve. Pleasant all day, partly clear.

Sunday, December 31

Went to Thomas Hollow's and dressed the body of his wife in her clothes (that she had brought from England when she came over). I put body in casket, ready for this afternoon. At Sunday school, the following officers were elected: Supt. A.M. Charles; Asst. Supt. Henry Martin; Secy. Amanda Kendig; Treas. Ella Kendig; Organist Sadie Kendig; Asst. Organist Roy A. Bortzfield. I had been nominated for Supt., but declined, having served for a number of years, and felt as though there ought to be a change, not for myself but for others desiring to have it. Hope it may be for the good of the school. At preaching by Rev. Linebaugh, a.m. attending funeral of Ann, wife of Thomas Hollow. Born January 9, 1835; died December 25, 1905. Aged 70 yrs., 11 mos., 10 dys. Rev. E.J. Bond spoke from 1 Timothy 4, 8. And Rev. John McVeigh, a former pastor, made the closing remarks, referring to his exemplary Christian life. Bearers: H.M. Groff, John W. Eshleman, Addison H. Benedict, Christian Sternaman. Large funeral. I used my fur rug (presented by the Sunday school) at this funeral for the first, and am highly pleased with it. This closes my most prosperous year in business and feel truly thankful to Him the giver of every good and perfect gift. And may I live still closer to Him, is my prayer. Cold raw air all day. Looks for snow. \$30.00.