

# Diary of Andrew J. Zercher

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Saturday, January 1

About home and to Lancaster to a luncheon party at Rev. G.A. Stauffer and wife. Dr. B. F. Good, Miss Leah Lefever, and Blanche, wife and I, present a grand dinner and spent the p.m. very pleasantly. They have a lovely home, 217 Peach Street. At IORM in eve. Light snow last night. Cold raw air all day. P. cloudy.

Sunday, January 2

At Sunday school. The following officers were elected. W.F. Ressel, Supt; Mrs. Emanuel Kreider, Asst.; Miss Mabel Fulton, Secy.; Miss Roda Myers, Asst. Secy.; J.W. Morrison, Treas.; Virginia Crothers, Organist; Blanche B. Zercher, Asst. Org. Wm. F. Bruner and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Berry of Philadelphia, and J.R. Yentzer took dinner with us and spent p.m. At church in eve. Cold raw air all day. P. cloudy.

Monday, January 3

About house all day. Fell yesterday eve. and hurt my left knee badly. Damp and moderating. P. cloudy.

Tuesday, January 4

In house partly all day. At J.W. Morrison's in eve. The Reformed Cemetery trustees held their semi-annual meeting. Damp and rain partly all day. Benj. F. Smith, Sr. died at noon very unexpectedly, a very particular friend of mine. Blanche called. Cloudy.

Wednesday, January 5

Walter and I at Safe Harbor. Saw J. Milton Henry with regard to removing his mother's household goods from house on Spring St., as

we want to tear it down at earliest date. Gave him this week for same, a.m. About house, not feeling very strong, p.m. Cold, raw air all day. Snow in eve. P. cloudy.

Thursday, January 6

At Lancaster with Walter on business, a.m. About home, p.m. and eve. Cold, raw wind all day; few flakes of snow. Took deed to lot bought of Phares Graver to have recorded. P. cloudy.

Friday, January 7

At funeral of my friend Benj. F. Smith, Sr., at M.E. Church, large funeral, a.m. Walked down on farm to see the Wise family who had not been very well. Found them improved, p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Benj. F. Smith, Sr., at M.E. Church. Cold, high wind all day. P. cloudy.

Saturday, January 8

About home all day. Blanche and Walter called to take charge of body of Mrs. William Sellers near York Furness. At IORM in eve. Cold all day: morning 10°, 4 p.m. 20°. P. clear.

Sunday,, January 9

At Sunday school, a.m. went along with Walter to Quarryville for burial permit for Mrs. William Sellers, p.m. at church in eve. Cold, damp air all day. P. cloudy. Ther. 12.

Monday,, January 10

At Lancaster on business, Blanche along, a.m. About home, p.m. Cold, raw air all day. P. clear. Ther. 10.

Tuesday,, January 11

About home, a.m. Lizzie Musser Clark spend the day with us. Took Blanche to Lancaster on business and Mrs. Clark along, p.m. Bought Ford truck of Ed. N. Wade for \$50 cash, gave check. Blanche called at 11:30 last night to

take charge of Mrs. Harry W. Aston, River Corner. Very cold, high wind all day. P. cloudy. Morning 12°, noon 18°.

Wednesday,, January 12

Working about home all day. Shelled corn and trimming grapes, etc. Beautiful day, but cold. Blanche and Walter attending funeral of Mrs. Wm. Sellers at Colemanville. P. clear. Ther. 12°

Thursday, January 13

About home. Sold 173 lbs. poultry @ 24¢, \$41. 52. 9 R.I. reds weighed 70 lbs. (hens) to Martin Burkhardt, New Danville. Working in poultry house, and Kreider barn, etc. Not so cold, but damp air. Blanche and Walter called to Geo. Murry's at noon; his father, Jacob D. Murry died. P. cloudy. Ther. 18.

Friday, January 14

Working about home in Kreider barn, etc., all day. Raining last night and a.m. Damp and moderating, p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Harry W. Aston, River Corner, Mennonite church. Cloudy.

Saturday, January 15

About house partly all day. Only attended to poultry and shelled some corn for same. At IORM in eve. Great change in weather, with snow and very high wind. Regular blizzard. Cloudy.

Sunday, January 16

At Sunday school, a.m. House, p.m. Church in eve. Coldest day of season, modulated some, p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Jacob D. Murry, Creswell. Clear. Ther. 6 above.

Monday, January 17

About home, a.m. At Lancaster on business, p.m. Very much warmer in p.m. Beautiful. Ther. 16. P. clear.

Tuesday, January 18

At Safe Harbor, Walter and I, to see about the Henry house (Goods not moved out yet.) Gave Milt time til Monday next to move them, a.m. Finished trimming grapes, cleaned poultry house, p.m. Pleasant all day; light snow and cooler in eve. Had a surprise for me this eve, the Pals society mostly my Sunday school class met here. Wife and Blanche arranged. There were present: Mrs. Allen Huber, Mrs. Emanuel Kreider, Mrs. Raymond Warfel, Miss Virginia Crouthers, Clara Fralich, Mabel Fulton, Ada Eshleman, Kathryn Hackman, Mae Herr, Newell J. Eckman, Bertram Kreider, Clarence Herr, Ernest Groff, Albert Graver, Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Ressel, Parke and Paul Ressel, Mrs. and Blanche Zercher. P. cloudy.

Wednesday, January 19

About house, a.m. Called to Hiram Rineer, who is sick. On business and in shop, p.m. Damp and warmer, rain in eve. P. cloudy.

Thursday, January 20

Working in shop partly all day. Quite warm and very damp, occasional showers of rain. Cloudy.

Friday, January 21

In shop all day. Very damp all day, with showers of rain. Roads very soft. Cloudy.

Saturday, January 22

In shop partly all day. At IORM in eve. Very damp and rain. Cooler in eve. P. cloudy. Blanche called to Creswell, Benj. Eshleman, Sr. died. Brought body here. Blanche received letter from Charles, he having went to Brooklyn, N.Y. looking for work, with no success.

Sunday, January 23

At Sunday school, a.m. At home, p.m. and eve. No preaching this eve. Damp and raining

partly all day, and freezing roads and walks. Very icy. Cloudy.

Monday, January 24

Working in shop partly all day. Moderating, colder in eve. Sent money order to Charles for \$25.00. P. cloudy.

Tuesday, January 25

At Safe Harbor. Bought radiator for Ford truck of Martin Groff, \$2.00 cash. River high, a.m. Went to Strasburg Mennonite Church to funeral of Annie Hookey Heibeck; Harry Eckman took me along, p.m. At 17<sup>th</sup> District Council of Sunday school Workers meeting in Reformed Church here. A beautiful day. (Cool). Clear.

Wednesday, January 26

Working in shop and helped Ed Wade put radiator on Ford truck, etc. Blanche at Lancaster on business, a.m. A great change in weather. A very cold stormy day. P. clear.

Thursday, January 27

About home getting eggs ready for incubation, etc., a.m. Down on farm, p.m. Coldest day. Beautiful, p.m. 0°, clear.

Friday, January 28

Went to the Brubaker duck farm, Bird-in-Hand. Took 600 eggs down for incubation, wife along, a.m. About home, p.m. Not near so cold, light snow and damp in eve. E.D. Sensenig's house burned last night at Red Hill. Cloudy.

Saturday, January 29

About home all day. At IORM in eve. Quite warm and heavy fog in eve. Blanche and Walter called to Jacob Doestler; his wife died, p.m. Called to Rohrerstown in eve. Mrs. Benj. Becker died. P. cloudy.

Sunday, January 30

At Sunday school, a.m. Home, p.m. and church in eve. Fog in a.m. Beautiful p.m. Quite warm. Roads very muddy. P. clear.

Monday, January 31

At Lancaster on business, a.m. Working about home, p.m. Beautiful day; cool. Clear.

Tuesday, February 1

Went to Lewis Cramer's for 6 shoats for Walter, a.m. Shelled corn and cleaning up in Kreider barn, p.m. Raw, damp air all day. P. cloudy.

Wednesday, February 2

At Lancaster on business, a.m. Working about home, p.m. Beautiful day, spring-like. Groundhog Day. He saw shadow, means 6 weeks of cold weather. P. clear.

Thursday, February 3

Working about home, a.m. Walter and I went to Lewis Cramer for pigs. I bought 5 for \$25.00 cash, p.m. Spring weather, rain, p.m. Cooler in eve. We had a surprise this noon. Our son Charles came walking into house, unknown to us. We were certainly glad to see him. P. cloudy.

Friday, February 4

About home, a.m. At Lancaster on business and took Charles along in after spending the short time with us. High winds and colder. P. clear.

Saturday, February 5

About house partly all day and shoveled paths. Snowing partly all day. Light rain in eve. 3½ inches of snow fell. At IORM in eve. and at AOK of MC afterwards to supper. Cloudy.

Sunday, February 6

At Sunday school, a.m. Wife and I went down to Wise's and spent p.m. At church in eve.

Damp in a.m., very pleasant p.m. Snow melting. P. clear.

Monday, February 7

At Lancaster. Took Blanche in in business. I took 37 doz. eggs down to Brubaker duck farm at 50 per doz., \$18.50. 5 doz. were Walter's, a.m. Working about barn, p.m. Beautiful day. Sent check to Security Life for premium.

Tuesday, February 8

Down on farm. Stephen Wise our farmer moved out to Mrs. Rohrer's farm near Letort, a.m. Getting things ready for sale, some job, p.m. Wife and Blanche to Aid society meeting at H.H. Aston's this eve. A beautiful day, regular spring weather. P. clear.

Wednesday, February 9

Working in Kreider barn partly all day. Made work bench, etc. shelled corn and cleaning up in general. Beautiful day. Clear.

Thursday, February 10

Walter and I went to Safe Harbor to tear down the last house on Spring St. but found that J. Milton Henry had not removed the contents of house. We removed old shed back of house and some of the weather boarding and phoned to John Hess Merchant to have him notify Henry that he was to get goods out this week, that we would proceed to take roof off on Monday, next, a.m. Sold bbl. vinegar to Martin Burkhart for 17¢ per gal. About home, p.m. Beautiful day, colder in eve. P. cloudy.

Friday, February 11

About home getting things ready for sale and down on farm to see how things were. Walter took Blanche, wife, and I to Lancaster to hear Mrs. McPherson, of Los Angeles, California, preach at Convention Hall. Large attendance and enjoyed it very much. Cold, raw air all

day. Ground covered with snow last night. P. clear.

Saturday, February 12

About home, a.m. Went with a delegation of taxpayers to see A.B. Hess of the Representatives in the legislature with regard to the state taking over the road from Pequea Twp. line, through the village of Conestoga Centre, to Safe Harbor. There were 39 of us there. Looks favorable, p.m. At IORM in eve. and at a meeting of the Pals Society at Emanuel Kreider's afterwards. My old friend Joseph M. Witmer passed out this p.m. at 1 o'clock. Beautiful day. Clear.

Sunday, February 13

At Sunday school, a.m. At home, p.m. Wife went to Lancaster with H.H. Aston and wife and Mr. Martin to the Mrs. McPherson services, and Blanche to Quarryville to Elsie Frick to spend p.m. and dinner, p.m. At church in eve. Damp all day. Snow in p.m. and light rain in eve. Colder. Cloudy.

Monday, February 14

Took 24 doz. eggs to Lancaster for Brubakers on the duck farm @ 40¢, \$9.60. Took Blanche to Wm. Glick's house. His daughter, Mrs. Henry Horner, died at Gen'l Hospital and called to remove body of Benj. Genkinger of Millersville from same hospital to his home. Attended to some other business and returned home 3:30 p.m. Very dangerous autoing or walking on account of ice. Rain and sleet part of day, not cold. Cloudy.

Tuesday, February 15

Attended funeral of Jos. M. Witmer. Walter had call to Andrew Campbell near Mt. Nebo, a.m. At home, p.m. Beautiful day but very bad road. Bro-in-law H.N. Eberly came this p.m. and will spend the night with us. Having arrived at the years allotted unto man, 70 years, I feel greatly in debt to God for the

blessings I enjoy far beyond what I deserve. The desire of my heart is to live still closer to the Savior. P. clear.

Wednesday, February 16

About home all day. Blanche and alter attended funeral of Mrs. Harry Homer, Millersville Reformed. Changeable, rain, thunder, hail, and sunshine, not cold. P. cloudy.

Thursday, February 17

About home a.m. Went to Quarryville for burial permit for Andrew A. Campbell (for Blanche). A most beautiful day, quite warm. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Benj. Genkinger, Millersville. Called to Oliver W. Good's last night. Benj. Good died, aged 80 years. Clear.

Friday, February 18

Working about home getting things ready for sale and helping Walter getting caskets, etc., ready. Cold, damp air all day. Colder in eve. The dirt roads are almost impossible to get through. Walter and Blanche attended funeral of Andrew A. Campbell, Mt. Nebo, M.E. Church. They were called to take charge of body of John Souder, Manor, this eve. P. cloudy.

Saturday, February 19

About home all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Benj. Good at River Corner Mennonite Church. Wife and I at supper given for benefit of M.E. Church here in village at Witmer's warehouse. A very wintery day. Sleet, snowing, raining partly all day, and much colder. Cloudy.

Sunday, February 20

At Sunday school, a.m. At home, p.m. No church this eve., on account of condition of

roads and weather. Roads drifted with sleet scarcely any travel today. Cloudy.

Monday, February 21

Went down to Brubaker Duck Farm, Bird-in-Hand, after my chicks. Rather poor hatch. 279 out of 600 eggs. Blanche along to Lancaster on business, a.m. Put chicks to brooder, and cleaning walks, etc., of ice and sleet. Pleasant, raw rain. P. clear.

Tuesday, February 22

At home all day attending to chicks and getting ready for sale (some job!). Blanche and Walter attended funeral of John Souder, Manor. Services at house, only on account of condition of roads. Buried on farm cemetery. Rec'd word of death of Anna B., wife of Wm. E. Miller, at Lancaster. Found dead in bed. Blanche and Walter took charge. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob B. Urban. Light snow last night. Quite warm all day. P. clear.

Wednesday, February 23

Busy all day getting ready for sale. Blanche called to take charge of body of Mary K. Good at County Asylum. Very sad; she was a very hard-working woman. Beautiful day. Quite warm, bad roads. P. clear.

Thursday, February 24

Finished for sale, a.m. Attending to sale; had a good sale: ½ doz. old-style chairs \$30.00, ½ doz. kitchen chairs, \$18.00. Am very well pleased. My furniture wagon that served me many years, and in good shape, 50 cents. There is no call for wagons. 534 sales amount, \$329.88. Beautiful day. Bought 5 shoats some time ago for \$25.00. Fetched \$44.00, a good investment. Clear.

Friday, February 25

Working about home. Shelled corn for poultry, and cleaning up after sale, a.m. Went

to funeral of Mrs. Wm. E. Miller (Anna B. Urban) at Mellinger's Mennonite Church. Had J.R. Yentzer and Addison Benedict along, was pleased to see so many Conestoga folks present to show their friendliness to deceased family. Pleasant, warm rain in eve. Elam Bachman, Conestoga, was killed by trolley car this morning in front of his home. P. cloudy.

Saturday, February 26

At Lancaster, took stools from Wm. E. Miller's, 980 E. Orange St., to the Mary Good home, Millersville, for the funeral there, a.m. Working about barn, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve. Cold raw wind all day, colder in eve. Blanche called to the Souder home, Manor. Katie Souder died. And from there to funeral of Mary Good, Millersville, and Pequea Church, a number of machines, (autos) had to be hauled out by horses on account of mud roads. Paid fire tax for stove wire to J.W. Morrison, \$4.87 for stove. P. clear.

Sunday, February 27

At Sunday school, a.m. At home and over at Ressel's hearing some fine singing over radio; Mt. Joy, and Red Lion, York Co., p.m. At church in eve. Cold raw wind all day. Few flakes of snow, p.m. Cloudy. Ther. 24.

Monday, February 28

At Lancaster on business, a.m. About home, p.m. Sold 114 lbs. poultry to Martin Burkhart @ 25 cents, \$28.50. Damp air all day, few snow squalls. Blanche called out last night Benj. Gerlach, near Letort, died. P. cloudy, ther. 22.

Tuesday, March 1

Walter, J.R. Yentzer, and I at funeral of Elam Bachman at Willow Street Reformed church, aged 76 years and 15 days, a.m. About home, p.m. Cold, raw air all day. Blanche and Walter

attended funeral of Katie Souder this p.m. P. clear. Ther. 20.

Wednesday, March 2

Working about home all day. Cold high wind all day. P. cloudy. Ther. 20.

Thursday, March 3

Went to General Hospital for Blanche and brought out body of Oscar Hess, who died of tetanus, a.m. About home, shelled corn, etc., p.m. Cold high wind all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Benj. Gerlach at Masonville, a.m. P. clear. Ther. 20.

Friday, March 4

About home all day. Cold high wind all day. P. clear. Ther. 20.

Saturday, March 5

At Lancaster, took Hiram Rineer along. I sold his property for him to Geo. Bosley and Bro. for \$325.00. Was the Amagish Williams, deeded it over today and put money in the Union Trust Co. for him; attended to other business, a.m. About home, p.m. and at IORM in eve. Loaned the Tribe \$100.00 til April 1, '27, the treasury being low. Beautiful day, great change, much warmer. Clear.

Sunday, March 6

At Sunday school, a.m. Home, p.m., and church in eve. Damp all day with several light showers of rain. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Oscar B. Hess, New Danville. Internment at Stehman's Church. Walter went to County Hospital and brought out body of Jos. Turner, colored, formerly of this place. Cloudy.

Monday, March 7

Went down to Lucy Martin told her of the funeral of Jos. Turner tomorrow, and working about home, a.m. At Lancaster on business, and fetched Blanche along home, p.m., and

trimmed Walter's grape vines for him. A regular spring day, not cold. P. cloudy.

Tuesday, March 8

About home, a.m. Had funeral of Jos. Turner here at house this p.m. Rev. Sands of M.E. Church had charge of services. Buried at M.E. Cemetery. Aged 74 years, 8 mos., and 27 days. Rain in morning, very pleasant p.m. Cooler in eve. Blanche called to take charge of body of Harry Wagner, Stone Hill, this morning. Cloudy.

Wednesday, March 9

About home, a.m. At Henry Rineer's sale on the J.B. Harnish farm, p.m. Beautiful day. P. clear.

Thursday, March 10

About home, a.m. At Lancaster on business; wife along, p.m. Beautiful spring day. Clear.

Friday, March 11

At funeral of Harry C. Wagner at M.E. Church, buried at Mt. Zion Cemetery, a.m. Got brooder house ready and moved chicks down, etc., and fetched locust posts up from farm. Beautiful spring day. Walter and Blanche attended funeral of Harry C. Wagner. Clear.

Saturday, March 12

Tying up grape vines, etc., a.m. Making place and yard for \_\_\_ and chicks, etc. p.m. At IORM in eve, Very damp and foggy, a.m. Beautiful, p.m. and eve. Not cold. P. cloudy. Rec'd word this even of death of John Fry, Fanny Mae Fry's father. Blanche called to take charge.

Sunday, March 13

At Sunday school, a.m. Home, p.m. and church in eve. A beautiful day, quite warm. P. clear. Ther. 70.

Monday, March 14

About home all day. Andrew Martin, teacher of the Graded School, has spent the eve. with us so pleasantly that the clock struck 12 before we parted. Rain and damp all day. Cooler in eve. Cloudy.

Tuesday, March 15

At funeral of John Fry, Creswell, father of Fannie Mae; wife and Mrs. Ressel along, a.m. Wife and I to Lancaster to see sister Lizzie. I went to Brubaker Duck Farm, took 46 doz. eggs down for him @ 35 cents per doz., \$16.10, and 24 doz. @ 40 cents, \$9.60, and fetched 134 chicks home, p.m. Beautiful day, warm. Clear.

Wednesday, March 16

Put chicks to brooder, 130 of them, this morning. Trimmed berries on the graves lot balance of day. Beautiful day, quite warm. Clear.

Thursday, March 17

Cleaning up garden and finished tying up grape vines, a.m. Walter and I began tearing down the Lydia Henry house this p.m. A very warm day. Clear.

Friday, March 18

Working in garden burning rubbish and dug some and planted peas and sowed small seeds, planted sweet peas for wife and Blanche. John Eberly, wife, and child here this eve. Came after chairs bought at sale— $\frac{1}{2}$  doz. \$31.50 and  $\frac{1}{2}$  doz. \$18.00. Total \$49.50. Beautiful day, rather high wind part of day. P. clear.

Saturday, March 19

Working in Kreider barn partly all a.m. Went along with Walter to Philip Hoffman's sale of personal property at Strasburg, p.m. At IORM in eve. Damp and raining partly all day.

Thunder gust in p.m. and heavy rain p.m. and eve. Cooler, cloudy.

Sunday, March 20

At Sunday school, a.m.; home, p.m.; church in eve. Damp all day, rain in eve. Cloudy.

Monday, March 21

At Lancaster on business; wife along to see sister Lizzie; returned 4 p.m. Damp and rain in part of day (cooler). Took 200 eggs to Brubaker Duck Farm for hatching and set several hens. Blanche and Walter to Mountville this eve. Mrs. Henry Heisey died. Set 4 hens this eve. Cloudy.

Tuesday, March 22

Cleared off asparagus bed and berry patch and staked and wired same. Cool and stormy partly all day. Set 2 hens this eve. P. cloudy.

Wednesday, March 23

Had Jacob Charles and Franklin Warfel haul dirt from Warfel Warehouse to fill up our poultry house, 8 two-horse loads. Paid them \$4.75 and had Oliver Fautz help me shovel it in, etc. Paid Fautz \$1.50; took us 6 hours. Am very tired this eve. \_\_\_\_ fetched the fire engine from Frank Warfel's over to our place that Blanche bought, and put it in the Kreider barn. Cold raw wind all day. Great change. P. cloudy. Ther. 26.

Thursday, March 24

Working about home and went to Lancaster for Blanche and Aunt Mary Bruner came along out, a.m. About home working in hen house, etc., p.m. Cold raw wind and few flakes of snow at noon. Blanche called to take charge of body of Mrs. Daniel Brubaker this eve. near New Danville. P. cloudy. Ther. 28.

Friday, March 25

About home and working in berry patch and walked down on farm. Quite cold raw wind all

day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Rev. Henry Heisey at Herr's Church near Mountville. Rec'd word of death of Mrs. Joseph Harnish near New Danville. Blanche and Walter took charge at Amos Charles. Clear. Ther. 24.

Saturday, March 26

About home; cleaned chick houses, etc. At IORM in eve. Damp and rain and snow in p.m. P. cloudy.

Sunday, March 27

At Sunday school, a.m. Home, p.m. Church in eve. Damp, light rain, cool. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Daniel E. Brubaker near New Danville, and Millersville Mennonite. P. cloudy.

Monday, March 28

About home, a.m. Went to funeral of Mrs. Joseph Harnish to home only, and took Blanche from there to Lancaster to take train for Philadelphia on business, p.m. Had a call to come to Elizabethtown for body of Morton P. Crozier. Went along with Walter and fetched body here to morgue, 11:45 p.m. Cool, rain in eve. P. cloudy.

Tuesday, March 29

Commenced removing large walnut tree in side yard. Taking it down in sections; at it all day. Cool, raw, damp air all day. P. cloudy.

Wednesday, March 30

Finished cutting walnut tree in side yard at home; am sore and tired. Helped Walter to put body in casket. Damp and light rain, p.m. Daniel G. Rankin sale of some personal property this p.m. Cloudy.

Thursday, March 31

Went along with Walter to attend funeral of Morton P. Crozier at Union Hill Cemetery near Kennett Square, Chester County. Left

home with body at 7:15 a.m., returned home at 2:15 p.m. Went to Lancaster for Blanche, who was at Philadelphia afterwards. Beautiful day. P. clear.

Friday, April 1

At Lancaster all day. Deeded the farm (Myers) to Harry Rineer and wife; rec'd \$300 in cash and judgment for \$3700.00 at 5½ % interest. Edwin N. Wade paid the judgement \$525.00 I held against him in full. Sleeting and rain in morning. Snowing quite briskly at 9:30 a.m., and rain afterwards. Cloudy.

Saturday, April 2

Cleaning chick houses and about shop, etc. At IORM in eve. Very damp, rain, etc. Commenced snowing 3:30 p.m. and continued to snow fast for several hours, and still snowing at 9:30 p.m. Cloudy.

Sunday, April 3

At Sunday school, a.m. Home, J.R. Yentzer took dinner with us and spent part of p.m. At church in eve., Preparatory Services. Benj. F. Hill was taken into church by Baptism. May God bless and keep him faithful. About 2½ to 3 inches of snow fell, but by 3 p.m., all gone. Damp all day. Cold, raw south east wind this eve. P. cloudy.

Monday, April 4

About home, a.m. At Lancaster, Blanche and I. Blanche presented me with a fine gold watch with a Masonic emblem in the works, glass face and back. I certainly appreciate it very much. Cold, raw air all day. Light snow in morning. Cloudy.

Tuesday, April 5

Shelling corn for poultry. Removing ashes from furnace in cellar, etc., a.m. In shop, etc., p.m. Very damp and cold raw southeaster' all

day. Thunder gust in northeast, hail at Ephrata and Akron. Cloudy.

Wednesday, April 6

Getting brooder ready for chicks and yard, a.m. In shop, etc., p.m. Damp in morning, beautiful p.m. Light showers of rain in eve. Paul Trissler moved from the Dr. Clinger home to the J.R. Yentzer home and Edw. Morrison of Marticville moved into the Dr. Clinger home. P. clear.

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Saturday, April 9

About home; helped in shop, etc., a.m. At Public Sale of Personal Property of Harry Wagner, Stone Hill, short time; bought wooden rake, 40¢, p.m. At IORM in eve. Snowing all a.m., about 2 inches. Damp raw air p.m. and eve. Cloudy.

Sunday, April 10

At Sunday school and preaching and Holy Communion, a.m. At home, p.m. and eve. Very heavy frost and ice. Cool all day. Rather high wind. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Amos Campbell, Lancaster, and Millersville Mennonite Church. Clear. Ther. 30.

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Wednesday, April 13

Making fence around chick yard, etc., a.m. Working in Kreider barn, p.m. Cool and damp,

rain, p.m. Cooler in eve. Lizzie Smith Clark of Lancaster spent the day with us. Mrs. Harry Rineer gave me 7 turkey eggs this eve. for hatching.

Thursday, April 14

At Lancaster with J.W. Morrison on business, a.m. Making fence around brood house, p.m. Harry Rineer plowing the Graver lot for potatoes, etc. Bought 2¼ bushels of seed potatoes, cobbler and russets of J.C. Leaman, Lancaster, \$7.50. Cool, beautiful day. Clear. Ther. 28.

Friday, April 15

Planted cobbler and russet potatoes, 2½ bushels on the Graver lot. Very sore and tired this eve. Harry Rineer finished plowing, paid for same: One day, \$5.00. Beautiful day. P. clear. Ther. 34.

Saturday, April 16

About home putting our chicks, etc., a.m. Took wife and Blanche to Farm Women's meeting at D.M. Witmer's, Safe Harbor, and then at Real Estate sale of the Benj. F. Smith property, sold to Rambo of Lancaster for \$935, a good price. At IORM in eve, no meeting. Paid Phares Graver \$2.50 for sowing grass seed on front of Graver lot. Beautiful day, light shower of rain in eve. P. cloudy.

Sunday, April 17

Easter Sunday,. At Sunday school and had short Easter service in connection, a.m. At home, p.m., and we all went to the U.E. Church; they held an Easter service which was very good and large attendance. Beautiful day. The rain we had last night freshened everything with life. P. clear.

Monday, April 18

Finished trimming and tying berries, etc. In garden, planted little onions, etc. Went to Joint Consistory meeting at Willow Street in

the eve. Mr. Yentzer along. Walter took us over; he went to Quarryville for burial permit for Mrs. John Elmyer, Mt. Nebo. Beautiful day, quite cool in eve. P. clear.

Tuesday, April 19

At Lancaster on business, bought chick feed, etc., along out, a.m. Mowing lawn, etc., p.m. Pleasant day, quite warm at noon. Few drops of rain, p.m. Mrs. Anthony Steckervetz died. Blanche and Walter brought body here to morgue. P. cloudy.

Wednesday, April 20

Working in garden, planted potatoes, beans, peas, cabbage, etc. Gave poultry house and brood house thorough cleaning. Beautiful day; quite warm. P. clear.

Thursday, April 21

In garden, planted sweet corn, head salad, red beets, and cleaned wash house, etc. Sun very warm, a.m. Beautiful day. Thunder gusts west and south this eve, and rain. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Elmyer at Highville U.B. Church. P. clear.

Friday, April 22

Shelling corn, etc., a.m. Rain, sleet, and snow partly all day, much colder. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Anthony Steckervetz at St. Anthony's Catholic Church. Cloudy. Ther. 38 in eve.

Saturday, April 23

Working in brooder house, put sash in east end and cleaned same, a.m. In lot part of p.m. At IORM in eve. Cold raw wind all day. P. clear. Ther. 30.

Sunday, April 24

At Sunday school, a.m. Went along with Blanche down to see Sister Lizzie, found her very un-well. High blood pressure and chills. At church in eve. Cold, raw air all day. Heavy

frost and about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch in ice this morning. Now flurry in p.m. P. cloudy. Ther. 30.

Monday, April 25

Working in orchard and helping at house cleaning. At Walter Ressel's, hearing Pres. Coolidge addressing the United Press Association at New York this 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner. Was very good over radio. Cool all day, frost and ice in morning. P. clear. Ther. 32.

Tuesday, April 26

At home, a.m. At Lancaster, Blanche along; Aunt Mary Bruner came along out, p.m. Damp, raining partly all p.m. and eve. Not so cold. Twenty-five years ago, lightning struck our house and did quite a lot of damage. Cloudy.

Wednesday, April 27

Helping wife at house cleaning, etc., partly all day. Very damp, and rain falling all p.m. Heavy shower, 5:30 p.m. Colder. P. cloudy.

Thursday, April 28

Walter and I down at Safe Harbor working at the Henry House, tearing it down, all day. Cool, light wind partly all day. P. clear.

Friday, April 29

Helping wife to wash clothes, etc., a.m. Walter and I at Safe Harbor working at old house, p.m. Damp all day with some rain. Walter brought two loads of lumber up from old house, one for each of us. P. cloudy.

Saturday, April 30

About home, am. Blanche and I went to Lancaster and fetched Mr. Baker, her friend, along out. At IORM in eve. Afterwards at the Farm Women's sociable at the Witmer Warehouse. Raining partly all day, quite heavy in p.m. Cooler. Cloudy.

Sunday, May 1

At Sunday school, a.m. Convention of 17<sup>th</sup> District at Highville U.B. Church. Very heavy frost. Beautiful day, cool in eve. P. clear. Ther. 34.

Monday, May 2

Helped wife to wash clothing, etc., a.m. At Lancaster, fetched goods from PA Freight for Blanche and feed and 50 W. Rock chicks for self, p.m. Cold all day, high wind. Sent check to N.Y. Life, \$77.50. P. cloudy.

Tuesday, May 3

Moved chicks to larger yard and made roof over coops, a.m. Helped Walter fetch lumber from Henry house, and mowing lawn, etc. p.m. Beautiful day, quite warm. Mollie Dabler of Philadelphia was buried in Reformed Cemetery this a.m. P. clear.

Wednesday, May 4

Working in garden, a.m. Washed off porches and front of house for wife, p.m. Damp, raining part of p.m. and cooler. Sold 70 lbs. poultry at \$.25, --\$17.50, to Martin Burkhardt. Cloudy.

Thursday, May 5

Took Mary Bruner home to Lancaster and attended to some business, a.m. Went along with Walter to Safe Harbor, helped at Henry house, p.m. Very foggy and damp in morning Beautiful p.m., and warm. P. cloudy.

Friday, May 6

About home all day, mowing and trimming up lawn, etc. Rain a.m. Beautiful p.m. Blanche called to take charge of body of Mrs. Cyrus Eshleman. P. cloudy.

Saturday, May 7

Working in garden, a.m. Cleaning chicken coops and brooder, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day, cool. Clear.

Sunday, May 8

At Sunday school, a.m.; home, p.m. At Mothers' Day Services at M.E. Church in eve. Very nice service. Quite cool, damp, and rain in p.m. Blanche called to Lancaster to take charge of body of Ida Campbell. Cloudy.

Monday, May 9

Helped wife at washing, a.m. Started taking out stumps in front of home outside of walk. They are partly decayed but it is hard work, p.m. Rain in morning. Beautiful p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Cyrus Eshleman, Creswell. P. clear.

Tuesday, May 10

Finished taking out stumps in front of home; filled up and sodded place, and cutting sod away from each side of walk. Damp, a.m. Warm in sun, p.m. Heavy rain in eve. with thunder. P. cloudy.

Wednesday, May 11

Went to Brubaker's Duck Farm with eggs for him. Took Hiram Rineer along. Stopped at Lancaster on return, bought suit of clothes, shoes, and hat for Hiram Rineer, and feed for chicks, etc., a.m. About home, p.m. Charles Morrow here for dinner, and spent short time with us. Christ C. Urban removed the iron fence on front of our home. Mr. J.R. Yentzer helped. 50 years ago, he (Yentzer) put the fence here. John Haymaker, wife, son, and mother spent evening here. Warm all day, quite cool in eve. P. cloudy.

Thursday, May 12

Working in garden, a.m. Mowing lawn, etc., p.m. Cool all day. Quite cool in eve. P. cloudy.

Friday, May 13

Finished lawn mowing, etc., a.m. Harry Rineer planted corn in Graver lot and harrowed potato patch; paid him \$1 and for same, helped Walter bring load lumber from

Safe Harbor. Quite cool all day. I went along with Hiram Rineer to see his daughter at Safe Harbor. Blanche called last night to take charge of body of Henry Goodman at Bausman, and to Elmer Shoff this p.m.; child died. Cloudy.

Saturday, May 14

Cleaning brooder house, etc., a.m. Coops, etc., p.m. Very damp and rain, p.m. and eve. Cool. Cloudy.

Sunday, May 15

At Sunday school, a.m. Home, p.m. Gary Bruner, wife, son, sister and mother-in-law here; and Fanny Mae Frey, Miss Buckwalter, and Fasnacht called in eve. At church in eve. Light shower, rain at noon. Quite cool in eve.

Monday, May 16

Cutting out grass from walks and putting 6 kinds of crushed stones on both sides of stone walks in yard. All day. Cold damp air all day with some light showers of rain. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Henry Goodman, Millersville Mennonite. P. cloudy.

Tuesday, May 17

Phares Foutz sprayed orchard for me, a.m. Working at the walks in yard, p.m. Cool all day, but pleasant. Was called out last night to go with Walter to St. Joseph's Hospital, Lancaster, for body of John Shenk, near Millersville. Blanche and Walter went to Intercourse this eve. for body of a Miss Chambers, take body to her home near Rocky Springs. Miriam Benedict had auto accident at Graeff's Landing. P. cloudy.

Wednesday, May 18

Shelled corn for poultry, etc., a.m. At Lancaster, Walter's wife along, brought out G.A.R. markers for Graver for Conestoga Township cemeteries, p.m. At Albert Warfel's in eve. The Pals Society met there; they gave

\$25.00 toward the painting of our church and \$5.00 for the flood sufferers in the west. Cool and raining partly all day. Paid state, county, and road tax to J.W. Ressel, \$14.07. Cloudy.

Thursday, May 19

Working about house a.m. Went to Bearville to Dr. Leslie for burial permit for the Miss Chambers, and at Lancaster on business. Wife along to Lancaster, p.m. Very damp and quite cool all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of John H. Shenk, Millersville Mennonite. Cloudy.

Friday, May 20

Working about home at walks, etc. Beautiful day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Jacob Chamber's daughter (Minerva), buried at Mellinger's Mennonite Cemetery. P. clear.

Saturday, May 21

Working in garden, a.m. Finished up trimming up walks in front of property, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day. Cool air. Blanche and Walter went to Tucquan for body of unknown man found in the river on sandbar. Brought it here to morgue, holding for identification. P. clear. Morning temp. 48 degrees.

Sunday, May 22

At Sunday school, a.m. Went along with Walter to Quarryville for burial permit and stopped in to see sister Lizzie; found her some better. She had a very hard attack on Wednesday,. At church in eve. Took an offering for painting of church, and received \$177.00, far beyond our expectation. Beautiful day, cool air. Clear.

Monday, May 23

At Lancaster on business, and Blanche along. Got information with regard to the body we are holding here. Col. John M. Groff, Esq.

here, and had wife of Fred W. Hook who identified the body as that of her husband, a.m. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Zercher and three of Hook's children here to attend burial in Reformed Cemetery here this eve. at 6:30. Rev. Sands held burial services. Helped wife to wash clothes, p.m. Sold 72 lbs. chicks to Mrs. D.M. Witmer @ .38/lb. = \$27.36. Quite warm. Few drops of rain, p.m. P. clear.

Tuesday, May 24

Working in garden partly all day. Planted a few sweet potato sprouts this p.m. Pleasant all day. Quite cool in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Charles Frey's child and called to Phares Stauffer— one of the children died this morning. P. clear.

Wednesday, May 25

Cleaned brooder house, etc., and about shop, etc. Rain last night and partly all day. Hail and snow reported at Lancaster last night. Cloudy.

Thursday, May 26

About house, a.m. Martin Ressel, a veteran of Civil War, and I placed flags and new markers on graves of deceased soldiers in River Corner, Colemanville, Green Hill, and Mr. Zion Cemeteries, and mowed our lawn, p.m. Heavy rain with some hail about 1:30 p.m. Cooler. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Stauffer child at Masonville. P. cloudy.

Friday, May 27

About home, finished mowing lawn and working in garden, a.m. Put up markers and flags in Reformed and M.E. Cemeteries, and in garden. Find list of soldiers buried in the different cemeteries of Township of Conestoga in back of this diary. Cold and very high wind partly all day. Blanche received her new Chevrolet Coach this eve. from H.H. Wiggins,

Marticville, through Clyde Eshleman, salesman.  
P. clear. Morning temp. 47.

Saturday, May 28

Went along with Walter to West Willow Station for caskets and working about home balance of day. At IORM in eve, no meeting. Heavy frost in low places and cool all day and eve. P. clear. Morning temp. 41.

Sunday, May 29

At Sunday school, a.m. Wife, Blanche, Mr. Yentzer, and I spent p.m. with Alfred Herr and family, Creswell, very pleasantly. At church in eve. Cool all day. P. cloudy.

Monday, May 30

Henry Rinier plowed for sweet potatoes and July potatoes, and harrowed the early cobbles, and I hoed the latter. Paid him for same. Cool, damp air all day. Quite cool in eve. P. cloudy.

Tuesday, May 31

Working about home, took Blanche over to Charles Frey; the other twin child died, a.m. Wife, Blanche, and I at Lancaster on business, and bought suit clothe, etc., for self, p.m. Damp and cool all day. Cloudy.

Wednesday, June 1

Working in garden, etc., a.m. went with Blanche to Chas. Frey to put child in casket add then to Lancaster on business, p.m. Cool all day. P. cloudy. Morning temp. 50.

Thursday, June 2

At home. Received 500 lbs. Purina chicken feed from J.E. Cruse and Son, Lancaster, \$17.90, delivered, a.m. Blanche and I attended funeral of Chas. Frey's child at Highville, p.m. Beautiful day. Cool Clear.

Friday, June 3

Cleaning brooder house, etc., am. At

Lancaster. Wife, Walter's wife Ruth Graves, and Mrs. Yentzer along, p.m. Beautiful day, but cool. P. clear.

Saturday, June 4

About home and in house partly all day. At IORM in eve. Paining partly all day. Thunder gust in morning and eve. Cloudy.

Sunday, June 5

At Sunday school, a.m. Home, p.m. Walter Eshleman and wife here and some of the Hook folks. At church in eve. Beautiful morning; rain and very high wind part of p.m. and much cooler in eve. P. clear.

Monday, June 6

Helping wife to wash, a.m. Working in berry patch, and helped Walter to plant sweet potato sprouts, p.m. Beautiful day, cool. Clear. Morning ther. 45.

Tuesday, June 7

Finished berry patch work and in garden, etc. Cool all day. P. clear.

Wednesday, June 8

About home and took 14 young turkeys down to Henry Rinier; I had hatched by hens for him, a.m. At Lancaster on business, wife and Walter along, and in garden in eve. beautiful day, sun quite warm. Clear.

Thursday, June 9

Working in garden and poultry yards all day. Beautiful day, quite warm. P. clear.

Friday, June 10

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Saturday, June 11

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Sunday, June 12

At Sunday school, a.m. Home, p.m. Preaching service in eve. Rec'd word just as church

dismissed of the very sudden death of Amos Graver, a very special friend of mine. Beautiful day, quite warm. P. cloudy.

Monday, June 13

Working in lot and shop. Beautiful day, cooler. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Abrm. G. Harnish, New Danville. P. clear.

Tuesday, June 14

At Lancaster on business; stopped in to see my old friend Hiram Rinier at Jacob Benedict's. Fetched Mary Bruner along out, a.m. About house, p.m. Raining partly all day. Cloudy.

Wednesday, June 15

Attended funeral of Mrs. Eli Warfel, Walter's wife's mother, from F.H. Sickman and River Corner Church, a.m. Picked strawberries, etc., p.m. Beautiful day. Quite cool all day. P. clear. Morning ther. 50.

Thursday, June 16

At funeral of my old friend Amos E. Graver at Reformed Church and at River Corner Cemetery. Went along down with Walter to cemetery, a.m. Trimmed hedge along driveway, p.m. Quite cool all day. P. clear. Morning ther. 45.

Friday, June 17

Working in garden and lot all day. Got 50 lbs. chick scratch feed from J.E. Cruse and Son, \$14.00, delivered. Paid for same by check. Beautiful day, cool. P. clear. Morning ther. 50.

Saturday, June 18

In garden, etc., a.m. Took wife and Mary Bruner to Farm Women meeting at Rittenhouse home, New Danville, p.m., and fetched them in evening. At IORM in eve. Cool all day. Blanche buried child (stillborn)

for Geo. Sneath, Millersville, and called St. Joseph Hospital for body of son of Arthur Boudier. P. cloudy.

Sunday, June 19

At Sunday school, small attendance, a.m. Home p.m. and eve. Raining partly all day. Cloudy.

Monday, June 20

Helped wife at washing, etc., a.m. At Lancaster on business and brought chairs and Blanche along home from the Boudier funeral. Rain part of a.m. Pleasant p.m. Cool in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Harold Boudier, 611 E. Madison St., Lancaster, and Millersville Mennonite. P. cloudy.

Tuesday, June 21

Picking berries, cherries, and working in garden all day, and cleaned brooder house, planted beans and corn in Graver lot. Beautiful day, sun very warm, cool in eve. Clear.

Wednesday, June 22

At Lancaster on business. Bought 200 lbs. sugar (granulated), \$6.39, per hundred, a.m. Picked strawberries and worked in garden, p.m. Very warm all day. Thunder gust in eve., light rain. P. clear.

Thursday, June 23

Shelled corn for poultry and working in garden and lot partly all day. Very warm few drops of rain in p.m. P. clear. Ther. 90.

Friday, June 24

Working in garden picking strawberries, peas, currants, gooseberries, for market. Beautiful day, cool air. P. clear.

Saturday, June 25

Picking sour cherries and strawberries, a.m.

About lawn, trimming, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve. Blanche and Walter called to Amos Herr's last night; his wife passed away at Oyster Point; brought body here to morgue. Sun very warm. Cool air. Harry Bruner step bro. and wife took Bankruptcy Law. P. clear.

Sunday, June 26

At Sunday school, a.m. Home, W.F. Bruner and wife and Bettie Jane Warfel, and Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ Berry, all of Philadelphia, spent p.m. with us, and had dinner. Also Mr. Yentzer. At church in eve. Afternoon quite cool and stormy; light rain last night. P. clear.

Monday, June 27

Picking sour cherries. Sold \$43.75 worth poultry to Martin Burkhart, young, 28 cents per lb. Old hens, 19 cents per lb. At Lancaster, took Mary home; wife along. Went along with Walter for stools at Amos Herr's. Beautiful day, cool. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Amos D. Herr, Oyster Point. Buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Lancaster. P. clear. Morning Ther. 48.

Tuesday, June 28

Helped wife at washing, etc., a.m. Went out to see my old friend Hiram Rineer by request, he not being well, and working in lot, etc., p.m. Beautiful day, quite warm. Clear.

Wednesday, June 29

Finished hoeing corn on Graver lot. Helped remove iron fence on Capt. Geo. H. Hess lot in cemetery (Reformed), and went along with Harry K. Eckman to see his father at Gen'l Hospital, Lancaster, in eve. He is some better. Very warm all day. P. clear. Ther. 90.

Thursday, June 30

Ralph Cramer, carpenter, here; made new steps at side and front porches. Quite an improvement. 3 steps I place of 2. I helped

and painted them as soon as finished. Cost \$19.80, lumber and labor. Blanche paid for same. Beautiful day, not nearly so warm. P. clear.

Friday,, July 1

Working in garden and lot, sprouting potatoes, etc. Beautiful day. Heavy thunder last night and fine rain. P. clear.

Saturday, July 2

Had Harry Rineer dress up corn, potatoes, on Graver lot, and potatoes on Kreider lot, and I followed with hoe. Have them in good shape. Paid him for team and self. Blanche called to St. Joseph's Hospital for body of Geo. Kise, an old veteran of Civil War this morning. And called to Slackwater. Mrs. Christian Stombach died. Beautiful rainbow 5:30 a.m. Light rain. Warm all day. P. clear.

Sunday, July 3

At Sunday school, a.m. Home p.m. Church in eve. Quite warm all day. Few drops of rain, p.m. P. clear. Ther. 103 in sun at 5 p.m.

Monday, July 4

Took lowering device to Highville U.B. Cemetery for use at the Geo. Kise funeral, a.m. Wife and I went down to see sister Lizzie at Hawksville. Found her feeling much better, spent a very pleasant time there. Returned home 5:15 p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Geo. Kise at Highville U.B. Church. Quite cool in morning and eve. Beautiful day. Clear. Morning Ther. 44.

Tuesday, July 5

Working on lot partly all day. Beautiful day, cool. At Reformed Cemetery Co. meeting in eve. P. clear.

Wednesday, July 6

At Lancaster, wife along, and took Blanche to Pa. RR depot. Took train for Atlantic City to

spend a few days for rest. Wife took treatment for neuritis with Dr. Grant. At home, p.m. J.W. Morrison and I appraised the personal property of Amos Graver, \$142. 40. Quite cool all day. P. clear. Not above 70 all day.

Thursday, July 7

Shelled corn for poultry, and in garden, a.m. Hoeing strawberries, picked raspberries, etc., p.m. Very warm all day. P. clear.

Friday, July 8

Took wife and Mrs. Ressel into Dr. Grant for treatment, Lancaster, a.m. In garden, cleaned one of the brooder houses, etc., p.m. Beautiful day. P. clear.

Saturday, July 9

In garden, etc., a.m. Henry Rineer cut grass on Kreider lot; will leave it on for fertilizer. Paid him for same. Went to Lancaster for to meet Blanche on her return from Atlantic City. She had a very pleasant time. Sun very warm; few drops of rain in eve. and cooler. P. cloudy.

Sunday, July 10

At Sunday school, a.m. At home, p.m. Mrs. Benj. Kendig (Myra Miller) and 3 daughters-in-law here for short time. At church in eve. Warm, light showers of rain, p.m. P. cloudy.

Monday, July 11

Helped wife at washing and mowed weeds, etc., around the Kreider lot, and picked a few raspberries in eve. Damp and threatening rain, a.m. Very warm in p.m. P. clear. Ther. 92.

Tuesday, July 12

Took wife and Mrs. Ressel and Phares Graver along. I and J.W. Morrison were qualified to the appraisal of Amos Graver's personal property, \$142.40, and attended to some other business, and returned home about

2:30 p.m. Brought Miss Snodgrass, a friend of Blanche, along, and her brother. Very warm day. Clear. Ther. 94.

Wednesday, July 13

Picked apricots, etc., a.m. Raspberries and in garden. Moved brooder and chicks from front lot opposite house to lot at barn in eve. Very, very warm all day. Clear. Ther. 97. 114 in sun.

Thursday, July 14

Went along with Henry H. Aston to give testimony before the Public Service Commission, having made application for Bus Line from Lancaster city. Not granted (only Conestoga and New Danville, etc. A.S. Benedict, H. Edgar Shertz, his atty., along, a.m. Arrived home, 2 p.m. Blanche received word of death of Abrm. Warfel at Co. Home, and Peter Lines, Run Valley. A very warm day, hottest of season. P. clear. Ther. 100. 6 p.m. 82.

Friday, July 15

Took wife and Mrs. Ressel to Lancaster and attended to some business for self, a.m. Fixed auto door, mowed lawn, etc., p.m. Very warm, but nice breeze, and fine shower of rain in eve. P. clear. Ther. 95.

Saturday, July 16

Went along with our Sunday school at Maple Grove for a picnic. Spent the day very pleasantly, a goodly number there. Very warm. Several showers of rain there, though none here at home until eve. when we have a fine shower. P. clear.

Sunday, July 17

At Sunday school and funeral of Abrm. Warfel at U.E. Church, a.m. Home, p.m. At church in eve. Another very warm day. Fine shower of rain, p.m. Blanche and Walter attended

funeral of Abrm. Warfel at U.E. Church, a.m. and Peter Lines at Mellinger's in p.m. P. clear.

Monday, July 18

Picking raspberries, etc., a.m. Working about barn, and picked blackberries, p.m. Sun very warm. Light rain last night. P. clear.

Tuesday, July 19

Took Blanche to Lancaster and attended to some business for self, a.m. In garden, etc., p.m. Heavy rain this morning, a much needed one. Quite warm, p.m. P. cloudy.

Wednesday, July 20

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Friday, July 22

Wife and I at Lancaster, a.m. Shelled corn for poultry, and in garden, p.m. Cool all day. Blanche called to Henry Shultz, Spencer Hill, Providence Twp., who died this p.m. P. cloudy.

Saturday, July 23

About home, a.m. Took Blanche to Lancaster on business and brought Mr. Baker along out, p.m. At IORM in eve. No meeting. Light rain in morning. Very warm, p.m. Cooler in eve. P. clear.

Sunday, July 24

At Sunday school, a.m. Went to New Providence for Burial Permit for Harry Shultz, and then to sister Lizzie; found her family well. Wife along, p.m. At church in eve. Quite cool, a.m. Warmer, p.m. and eve. P. clear.

Monday, July 25

Helped wife at washing, etc., and at Lancaster on business for Blanche, a.m. About home, p.m. Very warm all day. Blanche

and Walter attended funeral of Harry Shultz, Marticville M.E. Church. P. clear. Ther. 90.

Tuesday, July 26

At Lancaster on business. Wife, also Mrs. Ressel, a.m. At home, p.m. Beautiful day, very warm p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mr. and Mrs. Main Hackman child Jimmie at house only. Buried at Boehm's Church. P. clear.

Wednesday, July 27

Working about home all day. Beautiful day, very warm. Practicing singing for Farm Women's County Convention on Saturday, at Herr's Nursery. P. clear. Ther. 90.

Thursday, July 28

Working in garden, a.m. and part of p.m. Blanche and the Ressel family went to Carsonia Park, Reading, to the Auto Club outing. Very warm all day. Sold poultry to Martin Burkhart, Old—20 cents/lb.; Young—25 cents/lb.; \$66. 35. Clear. Ther. 90.

Friday, July 29

At Lancaster, wife along, a.m. Picked blackberries, mowed lawn, etc., p.m. Another warm day. Light shower of rain in eve. P. clear. Ther. 89.

Saturday, July 30

Wife, Blanche, Mr. Yentzer and I spent the day at the Farm Women County Convention held at the Herr's Nursery, this twp. Had large attendance and very interesting. Mr. Yentzer sang several solos, and Mr. Yentzer, Martha and Pauline Benedict, and I sang several quartets. Blanche at piano. Very warm light rain about 4:30 p.m., and heavy rain about 8:30 in eve. Mrs. Isaac Eshleman died at Millersville, and twin babies of Wesley \_\_\_\_, Baumgardeners (still-born). P. clear.

Sunday, July 31

At Sunday school, a.m. Home, p.m. Church in eve. Quite warm, heavy rain, a.m. Showers p.m. Blanche called to New Danville, Hiram Eshleman died last night. This p.m., Wesley Rice child stillborn, Martic Forge. P. cloudy.

Monday, August 1

Helped wife at washing, etc., a.m. Took Blanche to Millersville and helped to put body of Mrs. Eshleman in casket, p.m. Warm all day, heavy rain at noon and in eve. And thunder. P. cloudy.

Tuesday, August 2

Left home with the following, who are members of H.H. Aston Sunday school class at Reformed Church. Went to Conowingo Maryland: H.H. Astor, J.R. Yentzer, Frank Warfel, Chas. Kreider, Frank Henry, Martin Ressel, Mary and Hettie Good, Marne Smith, Nettie Herr, Barbra Campbell, Mrs. H.H. Aston, Annie Eshleman, Ellie Graver, Fannie and Mary Ressel, Martha Zercher, and Clarence Herr, and myself. 1:00. Stop Fulton House, Conowingo Dam. Returned through Rising Sun, Parkesburg, and Lincoln Highway Lancaster House. Had a very nice trip, and very kind of Mr. Aston. Beautiful day, not near so warm, and nice breeze all day. P. cloudy.

Wednesday, August 3

Had Harry Rineer mow grass on Graver lot and in poultry lot. Paid for same, a.m. Working about lot and yard, p.m. Rather damp and very much cooler all day. P. cloudy. Morning Ther. 59.

Thursday, August 4

Working in garden planting over 200 celery plants. Had our first roasting ears out of garden for dinner. Fine! In lot, etc., p.m. Beautiful day, cool. Sun very warm. P. clear.

Friday, August 5

About house, a.m. Helped load goods for Rawlinsville Camp. Blanche went down. Walter took goods down, p.m. Mowed part of lawn. Cool all day. Heavy rain early this morning, and another with heavy thunder at noon. P. clear.

Saturday, August 6

Finished mowing lawn and trimmed hedge at west side of house, a.m. Put hay on piles in the garden lot, etc., p.m. Beautiful day. Sun very hot, air cool. P. clear. Morning Ther. 58.

Sunday, August 7

At Sunday school, a.m. Home, p.m. and church in eve. Warm, thunder gust with rain, p.m. P. cloudy.

Monday, August 8

Did some writing for county partly all day. Sowed radish seed, planted bunch beans in garden, etc. Very warm, several showers of rain during day and eve. P. cloudy. Ther. 90.

Tuesday, August 9

Picked pears for market. Sent them with Harry Rineer. 2 bush. \$3.72. Working in garden, sowed turnip seed, and cleaning strawberry patch. Sun very warm, a.m. Nice breeze in p.m. P. clear. Very sorry to hear of the death of Judge Aaron B. Hassler at General Hospital last eve.

Wednesday, August 10

Taking out cobbler potatoes on the Graver lot. Planted short 1 bushel, got 11½ bushels. Hauled in hay from same lot. Henry Rineer helped, paid him \$1.00 for same. Very tired and sore this eve. Beautiful day, very heavy dew and quite cool in morning. Clear.

Thursday, August 11

Finished trimming peach trees in side yard,

etc., a.m. Helped Walter haul up lumber from Henny house, Safe Harbor, p.m. Beautiful day, sun very warm, cool air. Judge A.B. Hassler funeral this a.m. Buried in Woodward Hill Cemetery, Lancaster. P. clear. Morning Ther. 56.

Friday, August 12

In garden, planted endive. Sowed turnip seed in Graver lot, and picked pears for market, a.m. Piling lumber and cleaning up corn in Kreider barn, p.m. Sun quite warm all day. Rec'd word this eve. that my request to have the twp. of Conestoga transferred from Providence to Manor for receiving Burial Permits was granted. Thankful for same. Walter called to take charge of body of Isaac Keeports near Millersville this p.m. P. clear.

Saturday, August 13

Working about home, a.m. Went to Green Hill picnic, spent a very pleasant p.m. At IORM in eve. No quorum. Quite warm all day; light rain in eve. Walter brought Blanche home from camp this eve. (Rawlinsville) P. clear.

Sunday, August 14

At Sunday school, a.m. Home, p.m. Church in eve. Cool, light rain, p.m. and eve. (showers) Cloudy.

Monday, August 15

Helped wife at washing, and at garden, a.m. Removed wire fence of chick yard in side yard. Sowed turnip seed, and in garden, etc., p.m. Beautiful day, quite cool. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Isaac Keeports at Millersville Mennonite; buried at Masonville. Clear.

Tuesday, August 16

In garden, lawn, etc. Cleaned brooder house, and disinfected it, ready for next season.

Beautiful day, but quite cool. Walter buried stillborn for \_\_\_Walk. Clear.

Wednesday, August 17

Mowed and trimmed lawn, etc., a.m. At Lancaster, wife along, p.m. Beautiful day, warm. Mrs. John B. Witmer, here in village, passed away by death this morning. Blanche called. Clear.

Thursday, August 18

About home all day, mowing weeds, etc. Cool. Rain last night, and very heavy showers about 7:30 a.m., and quite cool in eve. Cloudy.

Friday, August 19

Mowing orchard, a.m. and strawberry patch and helped Walter put body of Mrs. Witmer in casket, p.m. Jacob W. Ressel here, sold him 50 ft. building lot off the Graver lot for \$350, with an option of balance of lot for same price. Beautiful day; sun very warm. Sent letter to sister Ellie, Glendale Arizona. Clear.

Saturday, August 20

At funeral of Mrs. John B. Witmer, a.m. Articled and staked off lot, sold to Marlin Royer, and rec'd \$50.00 on same and at U.E.S.S. picnic, p.m. At IORM in eve. Cool, damp all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. John B. Witmer at Reformed Church, here. Cloudy.

Sunday, August 21

At Sunday school, Edward Amey Henry, the blind boy, a former scholar, was a visitor, and after the session, played a number of pieces on the piano. Contribution of \$12.50 was given by the school, and personal gifts, a.m. At home, p.m. and eve. He took dinner with us and spent p.m. here. A most beautiful day. P. clear.

Monday, August 22

Picked plums, and in garden, a.m. In Graver lot, and sowed turnip seed in garden, p.m. Very warm and sultry. Light rain in eve. Blanche called to Marticville. Mrs. Wm. R. Good (Lillian) passed away this p.m. P. clear.

Tuesday, August 23

Shelled corn for poultry and helped wife about house. Rain last night. Very warm all day. Blanche buried infant child of Chester Rummel, Mt. Zion. P. cloudy.

Wednesday, August 24

Mr. J. R. Yentzer, my wife, and I, and J.W. Morrison, Hettie Good, and Maud Hess left home at 8:30 this morning for DuPont Flower Gardens, at formerly Red Lion, Chester Co. We spent the day there the guests of Cyrus and Mrs. Irvin, formerly of this place. The beauties are past describing. We had a wonderful trip, returned home 6:30 p.m. An ideal day, cool. We are surely grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Irvin for kindness shown. P. clear.

Thursday, August 25

In shop, and went to Lancaster for ice for house use, a.m. In garden and mowing weeds and trimmed hedge, p.m. Quite cool all day. Blanche and Walt4er attended funeral of Mrs. W.R. Good. Buried at River Corner. P. cloudy.

Friday, August 26

Trimming lawn, etc., a.m. In shop, etc., p.m. quite cool and damp, all day. Light rain in eve. P. cloudy.

Saturday, August 27

About home all day. At IORM in eve. Cold, raw, damp air all day. Papers report snow-flakes seen at York Pa. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Titus N. Manning at U.E. Church, Millersville, and buried infant of

Lewis Cremer's daughter (Donnerville) at Millersville Mennonite Cemetery. Cloudy.

Sunday, August 28

At Sunday school, a.m. Chas. H. Kreider, wife, Gladys, and Cora, Allan Harber and wife and child, and myself and wife spent p.m. at home of Sam'l Warner, his wife being a daughter of Albert Greenawalt, his wife being a niece of mine, a daughter of my sister Lizzie Eberly. We spent a very pleasant time. Quite cool with some rain, p.m. Blanche called to Lancaster to take charge of the body of Mrs. Jonas Martin this eve. Cloudy.

Monday, August 29

Helped wife at washing, a.m. Finished mowing in orchard, picked peaches, etc., p.m. Damp and cool all day. P. cloudy.

Tuesday, August 30

In garden, a.m. Mowing lawn, etc., p.m. Beautiful day, sun quite warm. Clear.

Wednesday, August 31

In garden and lot, a.m. At Lancaster, wife along; will spend a few days with Mary, Lily, and Emma. Sun very warm. Light rain last night. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mary H. Martin, Lancaster, at Millersville Evang. Church. Blanche at Farm Women sociable at D.M. Witmer, Safe Harbor, this eve. P. clear.

Thursday, September 1

Working about shop and barn, a.m. In house writing, etc., p.m. Very damp and some rain in p.m. and eve. Cloudy.

Friday, September 2

About home, a.m. At Lancaster on business and fetched wife along home, p.m. Beautiful day. P. clear.

Saturday, September 3

About home all day. At IORM in eve. Very warm p.m. and eve. Blanche had the Redcay family here this eve. and gave a lunch, ice cream, etc. Mr. Yentzer was here also. Did some singing. P. clear.

Sunday, September 4

At Sunday school, a.m. Home in p.m. Mr. and Mrs. \_\_\_ and some friends here. At church in eve. A most beautiful day. Clear.

Monday, September 5

Wife and I and 20 others went by H.H. Aston's Auto Bus, "Miss Conestoga", to Gettysburg, to go over the battlefield. \$2.50 round trip. Had a very good guide, Claude A. Shaefer, and a very pleasant time, and ideal weather. Went by way of York and home by way of Harrisburg. Eat our lunch on Little Round Top. Had a group picture taken at Devil's Den. A beautiful day. Following were those along: Mr. and Mrs. H.H. Aston, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Eshleman, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Aston, Mr. and Mrs. \_\_\_ Fralich, Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Zercher, B.F. Hill, Val Shenk, Mr. and Mrs. \_\_\_ Hackman and son, J.W. Morrison, Chas. Buckwalter, M.C. Shenk, J.R. Yentzer, Martin Ressel, Katie Schwenk, Mrs. E.L. Groff, Minnie Graver, Clara Fralich. Clear.

Tuesday, September 6

Taking out potatoes etc., of house cellar. Getting ready to put concrete floor in same, a.m. At Lancaster on business, p.m. Beautiful day, warm. Clear.

Wednesday, September 7

Working in garden cleaning up celery, endive, etc., a.m. Finished getting house cellar ready for concreting tomorrow. Very warm all day. Clear.

Thursday, September 8

John Walton here concreting house cellar.

Helped him, a.m., and I cut flagstone in front of house to get ready to put part concrete walk in front of house. Light rain a.m. Damp partly all day. Blanche called to Harvey L. Haverstick's; his wife passed away very suddenly last night. Cloudy.

Friday, September 9

Helping the concreters all day, finished cellar. Made cellar steps and steps out front. Worked till 10:15 p.m. Tired. Beautiful day, cool. Blanche called to Central Manor to take charge of \_\_\_ Greene. Blanche bought Ford truck. 1 ton. Second hand. P. clear.

Saturday, September 10

Cleaning up about home and yard after concreter, a.m. At treat for Sunday school on Graded School yard, p.m. At IORM in eve. Quite warm all day. Mr. Baker came this eve. P. clear.

Sunday, September 11

At Sunday school, a.m. Home, p.m. and church in eve. Pleasant, cool, few drops of rain, p.m. Quite cool in eve. Blanche called to Geo. Peters, Central Manor; infant child died. P. cloudy.

Monday, September 12

Helped wife at washing and working on lawn. Cool all day, and quite cold in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Greene at Millersville Mennonite. Paid school tax, \$4.85. P. clear.

Tuesday, September 13

Finished mowing lawn and making forms for concrete walk and steps in front of house. Much warmer all day. Light shower of rain. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Peters child, and called to take charge of body of Henry G. Warner, Central Manor. P. cloudy.

Wednesday, September 14

Finished concrete steps and landing in front of house and making out poll books for county commissioners. Beautiful day, quite warm. P. clear.

Thursday, September 15

At Lancaster on business, a.m. Finished filling in at walks out front and worked in cellar, p.m. Very warm all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Henry G. Warner at Creswell. Clear.

Friday, September 16

Working in house cellar white washing, fitting and hanging door (inside), etc. Beautiful day, not so hot. Clear.

Saturday, September 17

Cleaned lawn and gave general cleaning all round and burned refuse, etc. Quite warm. Wife, Blanche, and I took supper at Aston's Garage; the P.A.L.S. society of part of our Sunday school gave a chicken corn soup supper this eve, 35 cents each. Gave a fine supper. At IORM in eve. P. clear.

Sunday, September 18

At Sunday school, a.m. Home, p.m. At church in eve. for harvest services but postponed on account of threatening condition of weather. Beautiful day, very warm in eve. with threatening storm and thunder and rain. Clear. 5:15 p.m. Ther. 80.

Monday, September 19

Cleaned chick house, and about house, a.m. Went for ice for refrigerator, Water and ours, and picked grapes, etc. Child of Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. Deitrich was brought here, that had been drowned last night near Aument's Mill, Manor Twp. Swollen stream caused by the very heavy rain last eve. about 8:20. Very

heavy rain last night. Cool all day, light shower 2:30 p.m. Cloudy.

Tuesday, September 20

At Primary Election partly all day. 227 votes polled. Small vote. 706 voters in twp. Farmers busy. Beautiful day, cool. County Offices polling: Prothonotary Chas. E. Helm 147, Dist. Atty. S.V. Hosterman 142; Co. Controller Ralph W. Eby 141; Sheriff Phil P. Dattisman 141; Reg. Wills Ralph W. Cummings 137; Treasurer Maud Haldeman 127; Clerk Frank C. Witmer 134; Coroner George C. Kinard; Commissioners G. Graybill Diehm 133 and Charles A. Passmore 128; Surveyor Harry H. Koser 130; Prison Keeper Walter N. Foust 128; Directors of Poor William H. Bitner 124, William R. Good 125, Wilhelmine C. Marshall 120, and H. Walter Jones 122; Prison Inspectors A.B. Sweigart 121, Frederick B. Smith 119, Bess Gilfillan 107, and George L. Schlegel 114; Judge of Elections M.B. Caldwell 100; Inspector of Elections Edward Rankin 153; Justice of the Peace Grant H. Gardner 124 and Raymond Aston 115; School Directors Walter Ressel 170 and John C. Campbell 160; Supervisor William K. Sangrey 146; Constable C.C. Urban 107; Assessor A.R. Caldwell 155; and Auditor Daniel Shenk 159.

Wednesday, September 21

Working in garden, helped make kraut, picked some apples, etc. Cool all day. Blanche called to home of Geo. Henry near Letort; he passed away. P. clear. Morning Ther. 50.

Thursday, September 22

Working in garden partly all day. Sold 154 lbs. young poultry to Martin Burkhart @ 21 cents per lb.--\$32.34. Quite cold this morning and cool all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of the Deitrich child that drowned, buried at Mt. Ville. P. clear. Morning Ther. 43.

Friday, September 23

Shelled corn for poultry and in garden, a.m. Picking apples, etc., p.m. Cool and rather high wind. Quite cool in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Geo, Henry, Highville. P. clear. Morning Ther. 44.

Saturday, September 24

Went to Lancaster to help get body of Harry H. Deitrich at General Hospital. Walter and Blanche took it to his home near Mountville, a.m. Blanche, Mrs. Keene Eckman, Miss Ella Good and I went to the sale of Lillie Good's personal property, Marticville, p.m. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day, but quite cool. P. clear. Morning Ther. 42.

Sunday, September 25

At Sunday school, a.m. Home, Minnie Heiser, daughter, son-in-law, and child, of Lititz, here. 25 years ago today she spent her wedding day with us. At church in eve. Beautiful day, but quite cool all day. Morning Ther. 41.

Monday, September 26

Helped wife at washing. Gave wood and coal house a thorough cleaning. Picked pears, etc. Rev. Stauffer and wife called to spend eve. Beautiful day, warmer. Clear. Morning Ther. 46.

Tuesday, September 27

Working about garage, garden, etc., a.m. In lot and to see my old friend Hiram Rineer who is ill, p.m. Beautiful day, quite warm. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Harry H. Deitrich of Mountville. Very large funeral, over 800 present. Clear.

Wednesday, September 28

Moving old corn in crib, getting ready for new, a.m. Picked apples, etc., p.m. Damp all day, no rain. Cloudy.

Thursday, September 29

Picking apples and took out potatoes on Graver lot; had a nice yield. Quite warm, p.m. P. cloudy.

Friday, September 30

Cut corn on Graver lot and put potatoes in cellar after sorting. Beautiful day. Quite warm. Clear.

Saturday, October 1

Working on lawn, etc., partly all day. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day, but very warm—warmest October weather on record. Marlin Royer and Jacob Ressel and Ralph Cramer staked off for new house on lot I sold them (for Marlin Royer). Clear. Ther. 97.

Sunday, October 2

At Sunday school, a.m. Emanuel Kreider and wife; Allen Huber and wife and child; Charles Eberly, wife, son, and daughter; Daniel Wanner, wife and child took dinner with us and spent the p.m. with us. At church in eve. Preparatory service. Beautiful day, quite warm. Clear.

Monday, October 3

Working on lawn, etc., a.m. and part of p.m. Sent out 69 post cards notifying members of IORM of special meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> Oct. Warm, with rain, p.m. and eve. P. cloudy.

Tuesday, October 4

Helped wife with washing, etc., a.m. Picking apples, etc., p.m. Sold 6 cockerels and 1 cock (White Rocks) to Mr. Rohrer, Lime Valley, \$14.00. Beautiful day, quite cool in eve. Rec'd letter from sister Ellie, Glendale, Arizona. Glad to hear from her. Clear.

Wednesday, October 5

At Lancaster on business, a.m. Picking apples, etc., p.m. Blanche, Walter and wife, and J.W. Morrison went to DuPont Gardens to spend

the day. Very much pleased with their trip. Beautiful day, cool in eve. Clear.

Thursday, October 6

Working in lot and garden, a.m. On lawn and picking apples, etc., p.m. Beautiful day, cool in eve. Blanche rec'd word of death of \_\_\_\_\_ Musser, at 1005 Lititz Ave., Lancaster. Clear.

Friday, October 7

Shelled corn for poultry; in garden, etc., a.m. picked apples, etc., p.m. Sold old hens to Martin Burkhardt -7 hens, 38 lbs. @ .23 per lb., \$8.74. Pleasant all day, cool in eve. Sold the other Graver lot to Jacob Ressel for \$350. Clear.

Saturday, October 8

About home all day. Sold the other graver lot to Raymond Warfel at \$350 cash. Martin Royer paid balance on his lot, \$300. At IORM in eve. Cloudy with rain, a.m. and part of p.m. Quite cold in eve. Steve Wise, wife and girls here in eve. Also Fred Shoff, Jr. and wife, Elmer Redcay and sister Annie here in eve. Cloudy.

Sunday, October 9

At Sunday school and Communion service, a.m. At home, p.m. Went to Colemanville M.E. Church to Union Rally Service, Young Peoples' Sunday school Division, Dist. #17 in eve. Rain last night and a.m. and part of p.m. Clear and cool in eve. Brought Mary Bruner out from Lancaster this morning to stay a few days. P. cloudy.

Monday, October 10

Helped wife at washing, and went along with Walter to Lancaster, he to funeral of Henry Musser, and I on business on account of sale of building lots, etc. Came home on Mail Bus in eve. Beautiful day, quite cool. Light frost

this morning. Sent check for IORM to Thos. L. Frase, G of R, \$71.40. Clear.

Tuesday, October 11

Tore out old cellar door at house and made new frame and door—all day. Beautiful day, but cool. Light frost. Blanche birthday, 46 years. Wonderful! How time moves on. Blanche called to take charge of body of Mrs. Maris Green (Nora), colored, near Erb Sawmill, Tucquan. P. clear. Morning Ther. 40.

Wednesday, October 12

At Lancaster, took Mary Bruner along to her home, a.m. About home, painted cellar door (outside) and about house. Damp all day; high wind and rain partly all p.m. and eve. Cloudy.

Thursday, October 13

Working about home, a.m. At the public sale of the Amos E. Graver farm, 106 acres, \$39.00. Landis, his son, purchaser, p.m. I was next high bidder. Very heavy rain with storm last night. Quite cool all day and eve. P. cloudy.

Friday, October 14

Bearville Masons just put up chimney on east end of our house. Concrete blocks, cleaning bricks, etc. Hauled pumpkins off of Graver lot, etc. Beautiful day, but cool. Much cooler in eve. 25 years ago, 3 p.m. Snow. P. clear.

Saturday, October 15

Working about house, put up furnace piping, cleaned brick of chimney away, etc., a.m. Helped take up sweet and July potatoes, p.m. At IORM in eve. Blanche and wife at Lancaster, a.m. Cool all day, quite cool in eve. Blanche called to Eli Hofstadt's, Letort. His wife passed away, and then to Oreville Mennonite home, Emma Conrad died. Clear. Morning Ther. 32.

Sunday, October 16

At Sunday school, a.m. House, p.m. Church in eve. Beautiful day but quite cool all day. Heavy frost. Clear. Morning Ther. 36.

Monday, October 17

Helping Blanche in shop, and lining casket, etc. Very damp and raining part of p.m. and eve. Blanche called to take charge of body of Mrs. Oliver Manning, Creswell, at Gen'l Hospital early this morning. Cloudy.

Tuesday, October 18

About home, helped wife, shelled corn for poultry. Three different parties here from Terre Hill and Bareville for apples. Raining partly all day and last night. Several heavy showers and quite cool all day. Blanche and Walter attended two funerals today: Mrs. Eli Hofstadt, Letort a.m., and Emma Conrad, Oreville Home and Mt. Zion cemetery, p.m. Cloudy.

Wednesday, October 19

Doing house work in shop, etc. About house most of day on account of condition of weather. Raining partly all day and cool. Blanche buried stillborn for Harry McCue. Cloudy. Noon Ther. 45.

Thursday, October 20

About home (rain), a.m. Picked a few apples, etc., p.m. Raining, a.m. and part of p.m. Cleared in eve. Cool. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Oliver Manning, Creswell. Union Trust Co. and Lancaster Trust Co. have consolidated. The Union will go out of business for some reason. Cloudy.

Friday, October 21

Blanche and I at Lancaster on business, a.m. Husked corn on Graver lot, etc., p.m. Cool and high wind partly all day. P. clear.

Saturday, October 22

Finished husking corn on Graver lot, and raked leaves on lawn, etc. At Farm Women's

Entertainment #9 in eve. Singers: J.R. Yentzer, Martha, Myriane, and Pauline Benedict and myself. Good audience. Beautiful day. Cool. Clear.

Sunday, October 23

At Sunday school, a.m. Wife and I went to see Sister Eberly at John Slaymaker's near New Providence. Spent several hours there very pleasantly, found her improving in health, p.m. At church in eve. Very pleasant day. Cool. Wife's bro. Wm. Bruner of Philadelphia called this p.m. P. cloudy.

Monday, October 24

Helped wife at washing, a.m. Picking Paradise apples, which are fine, some weighing 10 oz. Had them sprayed. Perfect. Beautiful day. Sold 15 Guineas to Martin Burkhart @ \$1.00 each, \$15.00. Eggs \$.60 per doz. Clear.

Tuesday, October 25

Picking Paradise and Winter Smokehouse apples, a.m. Hauling in corn from Graver lot with wheelbarrow (a fine crop), p.m. Beautiful day. Clear.

Wednesday, October 26

At Lancaster on business, Blanche along. We decided to do business at the Conestoga National Bank since the Union trust is closing out. We received a hearty welcome, especially Mr. Hostetter, the Pres. Blanche made her first deposit today, a.m. Finished getting in my corn from the Graver lot, and finished fruit picking, p.m. Beautiful day. Clear.

Thursday, October 27

Picked up the fallen apples in orchard and made cider of some. This finishes the apples for the year. Have a fine lot stored in barn cellar for winter. Farm Women Society #12 held a business meeting here this p.m. A most beautiful day. Quite warm all day. Clear.

Friday, October 28

Sawed apple tree that had blown down in the orchard, a.m. Mowed lawn and trimmed hedge on west side of house, etc., p.m. Beautiful day, not so warm. Clear.

Saturday, October 29

Harry Rineer here, took out balance of potatoes and hauled wood up out of orchard (sowed rye in potato patch), a.m. Shelled corn and cleaned up around buildings and mowed weeds in side yard, p.m. Wife, Blanche, and I took supper at Aston's Garage, the U.E. Church folks gave a Baked Ham Supper (fine). At IORM in eve. Pleasant and warm. P. cloudy.

Sunday, October 30

At Sunday school, a.m. At home, p.m. and church in eve. Beautiful day, quite cool. Blanche and Walter and family went to see the Historic Donegal Church, p.m. Clear.

Monday, October 31

Moving lumber from side lot into Kreider stables for storage, partly all day. Beautiful day, not so warm. P. clear.

Tuesday, November 1

Took Blanche to West Willow; one of Eli Kreider's twin babies died, and from there to Lancaster on business; returned at noon. Put in gate post and hung gate (large) at Kreider barn, and finished moving lumber, etc., p.m. Beautiful day, cool air. Very heavy fog in morning. First day Gunning Season. P. clear. (Ther. Highest on record 83).

Wednesday, November 2

Helped raise body of Fred Hook in Reformed Cemetery, and Walter took body to \_\_\_ Cemetery, Lancaster, a.m. Shelled corn, storing lumber, and in garden, p.m. In evening, went to Aston's Garage to a political

meeting. Met quite a few of my friends from Court House, and had lunch, sandwiches, soft drinks, etc. Beautiful day, quite warm. Surprise about 9:30 p.m., commenced raining. P. clear.

Thursday, November 3

Removed leaves from lawn and front, partly covered. About house and poultry house, p.m. Very damp and raining partly all p.m. and eve. Heavy rains last night. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of one of Eli Kreider's twin babies. Blanche and I attended a birthday surprise this eve in honor of Mrs. Earl Jenkins. Cloudy.

Friday, November 4

Cleaned poultry house, stored balance of potatoes, a.m. In garden, took some of celery, red beets to cellar, etc., p.m. Cold, raw air, damp, and light showers during day. Cold morning, thus far. Cloudy. Ther. 34.

Saturday, November 5

Blanche and I and Mr. Yentzer at Lancaster on business, a.m. About home, p.m. At AOR of M.C. Annual Supper this eve. Wife along. Cool, damp air partly all day. Cooler in eve. Blanche called to take charge of Mrs. Christ Neff, Millersville this morning. P. cloudy.

Sunday, November 6

At Sunday school, a.m. Home, Steve Wise, wife, and 3 children here, p.m. At church in eve. Cold wind all day with few flakes of snow. First ice this morning. P. cloudy. Morning Ther. 31. Noon 36.

Monday, November 7

Helped wife at washing, a.m. Gathered in celery, turnips, and beets, etc., p.m. Cold high wind all day; plenty of ice—1/4 inch. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Christ Neff at Masonville. Clear. Ther. 30.

Tuesday, November 8

At the polls partly all day, a very small vote out -192. Cold all day with snow to partly cover the ground, p.m. Rain in eve. and sleet. Cloudy. Ther. 29

Wednesday, November 9

About home, cleaned one of poultry houses, in garden, etc. Damp, raw air partly all day. P. cloudy. Ther. 32.

Thursday, November 10

Stored turnips and beets in barn cellar. Cleaned poultry yard, etc., a.m. Cleaned poultry yard, etc., a.m. Cleaned up lawn, removing flowers, leaves, pruned grass, winter shrubs, etc., p.m. Cool and rather damp all day. Very heavy frost. Rec'd 40 baskets of ear corn from Henry Rineer at \$.75 for double bushel. \$15. Paid him for same. Cloudy. Ther. 32.

Friday, November 11

Working about house, etc., a.m. Painted steps at both porches. Made a small bucket of cider, etc., p.m. Beautiful day, especially in p.m. Quite warm. Blanche called to Karr's, Rawlinsville. One of their children died last night. Called to Marticville this eve. Maris H. Reese died. P. clear.

Saturday, November 12

Cleaning up side yard, etc. Received 21 bush. ear corn of Steve Wise on account of \_\_\_\_ transaction. 21 bush. @ \$.75 = \$15.75. At Lancaster, p.m., Blanche along. Fetched Mrs. Baker along out. At Witmer's Warehouse in eve, the M.E. Church gave a supper. Cool all day, high wind. P. clear.

Sunday, November 13

At Sunday school, a.m. Home and helped Walter to take body of Maris H. Reese to his home at Marticville, p.m. for funeral tomorrow. At church in eve. Beautiful day, quite cool. Blanche called to Enos Eshbach,

their only son passed away, Millersville. Clear.

Monday,, November 14

Took dishes out to New Danville for Farm Women Society #12, who are holding their first annual banquet tomorrow eve., a.m. Put crushed stone on driveway, etc., p.m. Cold, raw air all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Maris H. Reese at Rawlinsville M.E. Church. P, clear. Ther. 29.

Tuesday, November 15

Shipped 7 doz. stools to New Danville for Farm Women's anniversary this evening. #12 First Annual Meeting. Shelled corn for poultry and burned leaves, etc., in garden and lot. At Farm Women's Annual Meeting and supper. Wife, Blanche, and J.R. Yentzer along. Had fine supper and entertainment. Beautiful day, much warmer. P. clear.

Wednesday, November 16

Went to New Danville for stools, glassware, etc., used at the supper last eve. a.m. Met folks at trolley for Farm Women's meeting here this p.m., #9. Quite warm all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Elvin Eshbach, Millersville, a.m. Called to Marticville. Chester Rinehart child died and the eve. to Sam'l Cummins home, Safe Harbor; his wife died. Wife at Aid Society meeting at Mrs. R.A. Alexander's. P. cloudy. Ther. 5 p.m. 60.

Thursday, November 17

At Lancaster on business and stopped at New Danville for balance of chairs used at supper, a.m. Fetched dishes in p.m. from same place. Damp, light rain, a.m. Rain and high wind, p.m. Heavy rain and very heavy storm in eve. and still raining. Cloudy Ther. Noon 70.

Friday, November 18

Working about home all day, getting in celery and getting things in shape for winter. Cold,

raw wind all day. Much colder. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of the Rinehart child at Quarryville Cemetery. Rec'd word of Baby Newcomer near Stehman's Church. Cyrus Bortzfield died at County Home. Took body to son's home, Millersville, and arranged for funeral. Took casket for Mrs. Cunningham to home and put body in for funeral tomorrow. A very busy day for Blanche and Walter. P. clear.

Saturday, November 19

Working about home and took Blanche to Cunningham funeral (home), a.m. Wife and I at Lancaster on business, p.m. At IORM in eve, no meeting. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Samuel Cunningham, Green Hill. Cold all day, high wind. P. clear. Ther. 26.

Sunday, November 20

At Sunday school, a.m. Blanche and I buried the Newcomer baby at Millersville Mennonite this p.m., burial service only. At church in eve. Coldest day of season. Rec'd word this eve. of death of Henry H. Warfel, River corner. P. clear. Ther. 20.

Monday, November 21

Went down to John Slaymaker's near New Providence to a birthday gathering. His wife, Lizzie Eberly, 40. Her father, Henry N. Eberly, 70 (my brother-in-law), and my wife's birthday, 68. We spent a very pleasant time together. Had dinner, spent part of p.m. in singing, reading of scripture, and prayer. Left for home 3:50. Blanche not with us. Not so cold. Very damp and light rain, p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Cyrus Bortzfield, Marticville, a.m., and buried Baby Arment, Millersville, p.m. Cloudy. Ther. 32.

Tuesday, November 22

Helped wife at washing, a.m. Took Blanche to

Lancaster on business, p.m. Quite warm all day. Sent some of the flowers received from sister Ellie of Glendale, Arizona (for the anniversary yesterday) to sister Lizzie today, they having arrived one day late. It was very kind of Ellie and very much appreciated. P. cloudy. Ther. 40.

Wednesday, November 23

Working at old Cadillac Service Car tearing it to pieces, partly all day. "Some job." Beautiful day, quite warm all day. P. clear. Ther. 5:30 p.m. 64.

Thursday, November 24

Helped Walter take a Clark Vault to River Corner Mennonite Cemetery for the Henry H. Warfel burial, a.m. Wife, Blanche, and I went in to Mrs. Lizzie Musser Clark, Lancaster, for dinner and spent the p.m. Stopped to see the Bruner family, S. Queen, on our way home. Rec'd word this eve. of death of Mrs. Charles Eberly at the Gen'l Hospital. Walter and I fetched body here to our place. Sorry. Walter and Blanche attended funeral of H.H. Warfel, River Corner. Light rain in morning, warm, light rain, p.m. Cooler in eve. P. cloudy.

Friday, November 25

Working about home putting wood in dry, etc. cold raw damp air feels like snow. Blanche and Walter took body of Charles Eberly's wife to her home this morning and arranged funeral for Sunday, p.m. at Mechanics Grove. P. cloudy.

Saturday, November 25

Trimmed grape vines, etc., a.m. At sale of John Witmer R.E. and Personal Property. The R.E. was \$6017.00 but was not sold. The personal was all sold (Phares Foutz, Auct.) At IORM in eve. but no quorum present. Cool all day, light rain in eve. P. cloudy. Ther. 34.

Sunday, November 26

At Sunday school and afterwards had J.W. Morrison take wife, Blanche, and I to the funeral of Mrs. Charles Eberly (Ella). Had dinner at her home and church serves at Mechanics Grove at 2 p.m. Paid \$2.00 for trip, very large attendance. Stopped at Slaymaker's on way home to see sister Lizzie who was not able to be there. Revs. Bucher, Fasnacht, and Habecker took part. Rev. Bucher preached sermon. Very able speaker. Blanche and Walter had charge. At church in eve. Damp, light rain part of day. P. cloudy. Morning Ther. 48.

Monday, November 28

Went along with Walter for stools at Eberly's and stopped in to see sister on way home, found her as usual, a.m. About home, p.m. Very damp and raining. Cloudy. Ther. 50.

Tuesday, November 29

Shelled corn for poultry, etc., a.m. Trimmed apple tree, etc., p.m. A most beautiful day, just like spring. Wife took sick last night, abdominal grippe. She suffered with pain. In bed all day. P. clear. Ther. 7 a.m. 50. 3 p.m. 64. 6 p.m. 60.

Wednesday, November 30

Gave poultry house a thorough cleaning, oiled perches, etc., a.m. In garden, finished grape trimming and berries, getting in wood for butchering, etc., p.m. Beautiful day, warm, high wind from south in eve. Blanche rec'd word from Philadelphia to meet body of Geo. McMullen at Lancaster Saturday,, a.m. funeral 1:30 p.m. at M.E. Church here. Ther. 7 a.m. 50. 7 p.m. 60.

Thursday, December 1

Helped junkman to take old Cadillac chassis apart and load, a.m. About house and walked down to Harry Rineer, etc., p.m. Great change in weather; very much

colder and high wind. P. cloudy. Ther. 7 a.m. 40. 6 p.m. 36.

Friday, December 2

Went down to Harry Rineer for turkey, 13 lbs. @ \$.50= \$6.50. Live weight. Killed same, a.m. At Lancaster with Walter on business. Bought a canary bird for wife, \$5.95, for Christmas present. Raining partly all day. Snow, light sleet this morning. Cloudy. Ther. 7 a.m. 30.

Saturday, December 3

About home, a.m. At funeral of Geo. G. McMullen at M.E. Church, p.m. IORM in eve. Cold, high wind all day. P. cloudy. Ther. 7 a.m. 30.

Sunday, December 4

At Sunday school, small attendance on account of weather, a.m. J.M. Bruner and wife and J. Millard, their son and wife, arrived at 12:30 p.m., took dinner, and spent a very pleasant time together, and left for home at 3:45 p.m. Roads in very bad condition. They fetched Mary Bruner of Lancaster along. Cold all day, snowing, raining, and sleeting all day. Ground covered. Great change. No church service this eve. Cloudy. Ther. 7 a.m. 20. 5 p.m. 20.

Monday, December 5

Helped wife at washing, a.m. Shoveling sleet, etc., off of walks, etc., p.m. Hard job. Cold all day. Sun out nicely, p.m. Blanche called to Harry Peters, Millersville; child passed away. P. clear. Ther. 7 a.m. 30. 3 p.m. 33. 6 p.m. 31.

Tuesday, December 6

Fixing auto chains, etc., a.m. At Lancaster on business, and out to sister Lizzie at Chester Eberly's and took apples along for them, 2½ bush. Saw one of the new model Ford sedans; they are certainly fine. Beautiful day. Walter Ressel killed his 2 hogs; one weighed 476 lbs. Clear. Ther. 7 a.m. 28.

Wednesday, December 7

About home and shelled corn for poultry, etc. Not near so cold. Light rain and high wind in eve. P. cloudy. Ther. 7 a.m. 34.

Thursday, December 8

At Lancaster partly all day having some dentistry work done with Sam'l W. Diller, Jr. Heavy rain in morning and very much colder in eve. Blanche and Walter called to Milton Kendig's. His wife passed away at Millersville and attended funeral of Harry Peters' child from Millersville and Highville this a.m. Sent check to sister Ellie for \$5.00, Christmas present. P. cloudy. Ther. 7 a.m. 55. 6 p.m. 31.

Friday, December 9

Helped Walter in shop, a.m. About house and poultry, p.m. Coldest day of season. A change of 43 degrees from yesterday morning. Rather high wind all day. P. clear. Ther. 7 a.m. 12. Noon 17. 5:30 p.m. 14.

Saturday, December 10

Working in poultry house, a.m. About house and put in window pane at church, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve., but no meeting. Cold all day, moderating some. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Milton Kendig, Millersville, and at Masonville. Ther. 7 a.m. 12. Noon 28. 6 p.m. 30.

Sunday, December 11

At Sunday school a.m. Home p.m. and church in eve. Very damp and light rain. Cloudy. Ther. 7 a.m. 32. 5:30 p.m. 36.

Monday, December 12

At Lancaster all day. Had wife in, did shopping. Not near so cold. Cloudy. Ther. 7 a.m. 38.

Tuesday, December 13

Put old linoleum on floor of brooder house,

and about shop, etc. Damp and raining. P. cloudy. Ther. 7 a.m. 38. 5 p.m. 48.

Wednesday, December 14

Shelled corn for poultry, a.m. Took 1 bush. apples (Paradise) to Harry F. Herr, \$1.00. Made a little cider, etc., p.m. Quite warm all day. High wind. Blanche buried stillborn babe for Steve Wise, Letort, at Millersville Mennonite, p.m. P. cloudy. Ther. 7 a.m. 56. Noon 56. 6:30 p.m. 48.

Thursday, December 15

Cleaned poultry house and put up feed trough, etc., a.m. Damp raw air all day. The stone road from Graded School to Beaches blacksmith shop, started in June, was finished this eve. Entirely too much time spent for same. Cloudy. Ther. 7 a.m. 32. Noon 40. 5:30 p.m. 46.

Friday, December 16

Cleaning up in Kreider barn, lumber, etc., partly all day. Very damp all day. Light rain and snow in eve. Colder. Cloudy.

Saturday, December 17

At Lancaster, wife and I, on business, a.m. Home, p.m. and IORM in eve. No meeting. Beautiful day, but cold. Sold 7 doz. eggs, \$.50 per doz. Clear. Ther. 7 a.m. 21. 5:30 p.m. 30.

Sunday, December 18

At Sunday school, and wife, Blanche and I went to Harry F. Herr and family for a venison dinner, which was fine. Enjoyed it very much, and spent part of p.m. At church in eve. Quite cold, raw air all day. P. clear. Ther. 7 a.m. 28. 5:30 p.m. 34.

Monday, December 19

Helped wife at washing, a.m. At Lancaster to help Walter bring out body of Mrs. Steven Wise (Ada), who had been on our farm for 3

years. I as very much surprised to hear of her death and feel so sorry for those left back—husband and 9 children. Very cold and very high wind all day. Mailed out 51 Xmas card greetings to friends. P. clear. Ther. 7 a.m. 13. Noon 21. 5:30 p.m. 18.

Tuesday, December 20

About home, a.m. Took Blanche along to Lancaster. I bought an Atwater Kent radio at Troop's Music Store, and cabinet, for \$164.00. Will have it installed tomorrow for our home to remain here. Charles Eberly took dinner with us. At church in eve. practicing Xmas service. Cold high wind all day. P. cloudy. Ther. 7 a.m. 32. Noon 35. 5:30 p.m. 33.

Wednesday, December 21

Helping about shop, a.m. The Troop people brought out radio and installed it this eve. We are having quite an entertaining. Working fine. The Farm Women #9 are giving their Xmas treat to the children in Witmer warehouse this eve. with good attendance. High wind and cold. Blanche buried stillborn for B.F. Smith, Ironville, and called to Albert Carr, Rock Hill; his son Henry died. P. clear. Ther. 7 a.m. 33. Noon 36. 5:30 p.m. 34.

Thursday, December 22

Wife and I at funeral of Mrs. Steve Wise (Ada) at Letort and interred at Millersville Mennonite. A sad funeral, leaving 9 children; they have our sympathy, a.m. Pleasant day, not cold. Walter and Blanche attended the funeral. P. clear. Ther. 7 a.m. 36.

Friday, December 23

At Lancaster, Blanche along. I bought 2 tires and tubes for Ford sedan, \$14.70, Watt and Shand. Paid for same, a.m. Working about shop and garage, p.m. Cold all day. Colder in eve. Few flakes of snow. P. cloudy.

Saturday, December 24

About home, trimmed the 3 green trees in our yard with silver tinsel for Xmas, etc., a.m. At funeral of Harry M. Carr at Reformed Church, p.m. Cold raw wind partly all day. P. clear. Ther. 7 a.m. 30. Noon 28. 5:30 p.m. 26.

Sunday, December 25

At Sunday school and rehearsing Xmas program, a.m. Spent p.m. quietly at home, had very fine music and sermons over radio. At Xmas service in eve, very good and very large attendance. Another Xmas day has past. Beautiful day, cold. Not a speck of cloud to be seen all day. Clear. Ther. 7 a.m. 12. Noon 36. 5:30 p.m. 26.

Monday, December 26

Helped arrange church in order for service again after the Xmas service, a.m. About house, half holiday, p.m. Went to M.E. Church Xmas service in eve. Very good service. Park Campbell, a 6-year boy, sang a selection alone, which was very good. Cold all day. P. cloudy. Ther. 7 a.m. 22. Noon 28. 5:30 p.m. 26.

Tuesday, December 27

Working about home, a.m. Wife and I went to Lancaster to see sister Lizzie and attended to some business; found her fairly good in health. Moderating some. Rec'd word of Mowery wife funeral, Thursday,, 2 p.m. P. clear. Ther. 7 a.m. 18.

Wednesday, December 28

Went along with Walter to bring out body of Hebron S. Keepport, shipped from Flint, Michigan, a.m. Cleaned poultry house, etc., p.m. Damp, raw air, moderating some. P. clear. Ther. 7 a.m. 28.

Thursday, December 29

Took stools to home of Hebron S. Keepport, 338 Pearl Street, Lancaster, and fetched

them along home, and Blanche, after funeral, a.m. About home, p.m. Raining partly all day, and very much warmer. Walter took body to Masonville Mennonite for burial. Cloudy.

Friday, December 30

Took ashes from furnace, etc., a.m. In shop, etc., p.m. Damp and frost out, roads very soft. Quite warm. J.W. Morrison received appointment of Mercantile Appraiser from Harrisburg, for Lancaster County. P. cloudy.

Saturday, December 31

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