

*The Diaries of
Samuel Jones Melvin*

1867



MOON'S PHASES.	New York.	Boston.	St. Louis.
FIRST QUARTER...	Day. h m 4 5 24 A.M.	Day. h m 4 5 36 A.M.	Day. h m 4 4 19 A.M.
FULL MOON.....	11 7 14 A.M.	11 7 26 A.M.	11 6 9 A.M.
LAST QUARTER....	17 10 38 P.M.	17 10 50 P.M.	17 9 33 P.M.
NEW MOON.....	25 6 43 P.M.	25 6 55 P.M.	25 5 38 P.M.

Day of Mth of Week	Day	New York.						Boston.				St. Louis.			
		SUN		MOON		HIGH TIDE.		HIGH TIDE.				SUN		MOON	
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1867.

At Home. Spent the forenoon mending & greasing the old baby harness. Harvested Champ & Jennie & hitched them to the sleigh for the first time together. Will go I went to town to Stephen's. Took dinner with Aunt Sally & Miss Annie Bell. Took the sled & took Will, Aunt Sally & Annie Bell to Mr. Boies. Young folks all from home. Boys at dance at Dick Wright's. Weather cold.

WEDNESDAY 2

At Home. Spent most of the day in the coal bank cleaning it out & preparing it for digging. Dug drain deeper & took out about 18 bushels of slack. David Sharley dropped up my tools. Attended a singing in the evening at Mr. Phillips'. Miss Annie Bell Mrs. Lizzie Wright & Will. I went in sled. Not many there. Had a good time. Weather clear & cold.

THURSDAY 3

2 Alex Hamlin's Spent most of the day in the coal bank. Put out 35 bushels of coal. Left at three o'clock borrowed David Sharley's mare put her to Champ to the sleigh & went to Mr. Hamlin's. Old folks gone to church. Being rather too late for church Miss Helen & I spent the evening sleigh riding. Returned about nine o'clock. Spent a few minutes in company with Rev. Mr. Blackburn. Had a good time. Got home about two o'clock. Clear & cold.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 4, 1867.

At Home. Got home from sleighriding about two o'clock in the morning. Slept until daylight. Father, mother, Will^{3d}, Aunt Phoebe Barrett went to Steubenville of sleds. Mother^{3d} Aunt went to Freeman's. Will bought two strings of sleigh bells for \$6.00. Took Robert P. Cooper's bells home about noon. Sewed a seam in Aunt Sally's shoe. Spent the evening at home writing. Weather clear. Snow melting some.

SATURDAY 5

At Home. Hauled two loads of fodder for the sheep, then father took the sled^{3d} went to meet mother^{3d} Aunt Phoebe on their way from Freeman's Landing. Met them in Steubenville. Spent most of the day making bolsters to enlarge the sleds. Gideon Miller^{3d} Harriet^{3d} Phoebe Stewart came along on their way home. Put a tongue in our sled. Will steamed Will^{3d} Mellin's I sent to Stephen's until bed time. Smoked the first pipe cigar ever smoked. Weather somewhat stormy.

SUNDAY 6

Uncle Henry's, Wellsburg. Will^{3d} I went to town with Champ^{3d} Jennie in sleigh. Took Lizzie Wright with us. Heard Kirby present from the 11 Chapter of Daniel. Came home took dinner. Took Aunt Sally in the sleigh to Wellsburg. Drove the colts. They performed well. Found Aunt Algina quite lame but some better than formerly. Spent the evening very pleasantly. Sleighting out very good.

MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 1867.

At Home. Took breakfast at Uncle Henry Mellin's in Wellsburg. I spent most of the forenoon about the stores. Bought several little articles. Took Lydia Mellin^{3d} Korah Gasser out sleighriding. Aunt Algina very poorly, she was expected to live long. Left there about four o'clock. I got home about half past six. Colts worked very well to the sleigh. Father took a load of coal to town. I in backing, fell from the sled. I sprained his knee and wrist very badly. Weather fine.

TUESDAY 8

At Home. After doing the feeding in the morning and took a small load of coal to town on the sled for Cornelia's Bales. Helped David Sharkey & his a load in the afternoon. I hauled two sled loads of fodder. Will^{3d} I went to Brunyettstown in the sleigh at night with the colts. Had a good time. When we came home left on horse back. The colts scared and ran short distance with sleigh, knocked me down, sprained my foot. I broke the sleigh some. Horses not hurt or harmed. Weather cloudy.

WEDNESDAY 9

At Home. Attempted to arise in the morning but my left foot being sprained, pained me so that I was obliged to lie down again. At the second trial I succeeded in getting my clothes on. Spent the day in the house reading a book entitled "Arch Uorden". Cutting out glass patterns &c. R. P. Cooper came over in the evening to get us to haul a load of apples to the Station. R. Kline to get some coal hauled. Snow all afternoon and evening.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 1867.

At Home. Put a patch on one of Aunt Ann's shoes in the forenoon. Father & Aunt Nancy Bushfield went to Stephenson's in the sled in the afternoon. My feet getting so I could walk on it. Helped do the feeding. Went to John Melvin's to a singing. Took one sled & horses. Had a full load of ladies coming home. All had to walk part of the way up Wright's hill. Snowed considerably during the night. Took the rig and leather ladies home.

FRIDAY 11

At Home. Harnessed up in the morning and Will took David's sled home. Hauled three loads of coal for Mr. Kline on the sled with four horses from Mr. Cassidy's bank. Went to town with father in the evening. Fixed the stovepipe in the church. Put a sled on the sled late in the evening and went to Temperance meeting. Heard Mother's lecture. Some attendance, Robt. Scott & widow Miss Bell at Aunt Nell's. Weather clear and cold.

SATURDAY 12

At Home. Will & I spent most of the forenoon hauling fodder. After dinner we brought the Windmill home from David's on the sled & brought the sleigh home with us. Father & Mother took Aunt Nancy Bushfield home in the sled. Will & I cleaned some pig, put some strap iron on the neck-yoke, harnessed the colts & went to town in the sleigh. Will was a singer at the Lent in the sleigh straight and I spent the night making sheepskin mittens. Weather fine & clear at 11.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 1867.

At Home. Father & Mother being at Middleboro we went to church in the sleigh, Anne Bell, Lizzy Wright & I. Will rode with us part of the way. Sacrament administered. Heard Mother's preach from 7 Cor. 11. 23 & 29 inclusive. Came home past Robert McCreedy's for a sleigh ride. Attended church in Eldersville again at night. Will took the sleigh & young horses. Heard Mother's again from 11 Cor. 13 & 14 cl. 20. Came home in Robt Cooper's sled some huddling some.

MONDAY 14

At Home. Helped Will do the feeding in the morning & put out some pieces for my sheep skin mittens. Attended low feast in the Methodist Church of Eldersville. Some well spent. Not very many there, but in tolerably good spirits. Took dinner with John at C. M. Stephenson's. Drove Champ and Jennie in the sleigh. Went to church at night in the sled & heard Mother's from 1 Peter 18 & 18. Singing good.

TUESDAY 15

Alex. Hanlin's. After doing the feeding in the morning I went to Mrs. Boggs' for the gun to shoot our wolf. Killed the wolf in the forenoon. John Melvin got one quail and Robt Cooper one. Caught our turkeys in the afternoon to take them to market. Started about four o'clock but went in the sleigh to Mr. Hanlin's. Took Helen to church at Snoker's meeting house. Heard Blackburn from XVI 1st cl. 30 & 31. Had a string of bells worth \$500. Had a good time. Singing good.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, 1867.

At Home. Father, mother, Ann Shorley, and Jimmy
went to the river with the sled and marketing but could
not drop for the ice. Thompson Crisp baked died &
Will & I dug a grave for it. Took us about an hour &
a half. I waited for the funeral. Buried about five
o'clock. Will, Annie Bell and I went to church at night
in the sleigh. Heard Rev. Malters preach from Prov.
XVIII. vs. cl. 26. Few gos. Very stormy & evening.
Drifted considerably at night & was very cold.

THURSDAY 17

Uncle Geo. Crisp. The morning being exceedingly
cold & stormy I did not pretend to do much
but feeding. Attended prayer meeting in the
Methodist church of Eldersville. Walked up. Only
five of us there. Will & I walked to the cemetery
at Uncle Geo. Crisp's in the evening. Not very
many there. Joseph Custard spent the evening
with Kate Jones & I with Miss Henry Crisp. Got
home about two o'clock.

FRIDAY 18

At Home. Went to David Shorley's in
the morning & got our coal-picks and spurs
most of the day preparing the coal banks
to get some coal out. Considerable of water
in it. Made a small bearing in in the
evening & took out one cart load of coal.
Will took Annie Bell & Lizzie Wright to church
in the sleigh with the young team. Very cold & frosty

SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 1867.

At Home. Will & father did the feeding
and I went to the coal bank. Will & I
together put out 70 bushels of coal. Father
took some coal to the church & a load to C. Boles.
Beside hauling the 70 bushels which we dug, some
Rev. Mr. Kinney, and Rebecca J. McKeever came
in the evening. Jimmy & I spent the evening at
R. D. Cooper's. Jimmy went sleigh riding beyond Eldersville.
Sleeping very good.

SUNDAY 20

John Melvin's, Harmon's Creek. After feeding
in the morning I went to town & kindled a fire
in the Wesleyan church. Heard Kinney from Mark T
vs. cl. 8. Took the sleigh back to town at night for
Mrs. Lizzie Wright & Miss Ann Bell. Will brought
them home & I went to John's. Annie walked up
to town from John's through the snow which was
more than a foot deep. Snowed nearly all day. Heard
Malters at night from Ann & Will Middle Chance St.

MONDAY 21

At Home. Took breakfast at John Melvin's and
he & I went together to the station to hear from the
river. Rode to Eldersville with C. Barber on
his sled. Got home about noon. Spent part of
the afternoon putting a box under the seat of the
sleigh. Took Miss Bell & Mrs. Wright to church in
the sleigh at night. Put few out. Heard Malters
preach to the young from Gal. XIII. vs. 14. Snowing

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 1867.

John Melvin's, Harmons Creek. Hauled some fodder in the forenoon and spent part of the afternoon putting box under sleigh seat and putting straps on blankets. John and his wife with R. M. Riley started to Ohio but could not cross the river and visited at Williams. Went to Johns in the evening and did his feeding. Snow quite deep and more falling.

WEDNESDAY 23

C. Hanlin's. Did John Melvin's feeding in the morning and broke a road through the snow for his sheep to go to water. Got home about noon. They could not get over the river. Father and mother went but could not cross. Hitched to the sleigh in the evening and went to Mr. Hanlin's. Helen, Maggie and I went to Geo. Morrison's until bed time. Had a good time. Covered with Helen until one o'clock. Good sleighing.

THURSDAY 24

At Home. Got home from Mr. Hanlin's about three o'clock in the morning. Father and mother started again to the river with marketing but could not cross. Will and I went to Robt McCreedy shoe shop in the afternoon and came home by Elmoreville. Father and mother went to Wellsburg in the sleigh and disappointed. Will and Lizzie Wright concerning their visit to Mrs Richardson's. Sleehing good.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25, 1867.

At Home. After doing the feeding, Will and I went to the woods and got some poles for the bottom and tongue of a sled. Spent the day making camp and pins. Father and mother came from Wellsburg in the afternoon. Aunt Algina over low. Hitched up the colls in the evening and Will, Lizzie Wright and Annie Bell went to town in the sleigh. Went to D. Morley to stay until bed time, but C. M. Stephenson and Mary came here and we came home. Rained considerably.

SATURDAY 26

At Home. Will went to town in the morning with Charlie to the sleigh and got him sled. Miss McBay and Mrs. Martha McKeever came in a sled about three o'clock and spent the night with us. I worked all day at the sled which I was making. S. P. Boles and Jimmie Kelley here until bed time. Very cold and snowing all day.

SUNDAY 27

Uncle Henry Melvin's, Wellsburg. Will and Miss Anne Bell went to church to Bidersville in the forenoon but were nearly frozen out. Only fire in one stove in the brick church. Aunt Sully and I went to Wellsburg in the afternoon with the young team. Found Aunt Algina very low. Attended church with Cousin Sam in the Union Chapel. Heard Chester from T. King ^{WV} middle lane 21. In two other papers. (See 207. Norton's. Sleehing good.)

MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 1867.

At Home. Took breakfast at Uncle Henry's in Wellsburg. Took Grafton Mailer in the sleigh to his school at Sanders' Mill. Cousin Lad went with us. Left Wellsburg about two o'clock and got home about half past four. Father took a load of coal to town for C. Roles. John and Susannah came in the evening and spent a short time with us. Talked a short time with Miss Bell after others had retired. Sleighing good. P.M.

TUESDAY 29

At Home. After helping to do the feeding in the morning, I got a rail and made a roller for the little sled. Spent most of the day on the sled, but it was so very cold that I could not do much. Will and I went to Middletown in the sleigh at night and attended a very fine singing. Did not get home until one o'clock. Very cold and frosty.

WEDNESDAY 30

At Home. After feeding in the morning I went to the coal bank and dug 28 bushels of coal. Father and mother went to Cyrus Stephenson's and stayed until bed time. Will and I walked to Gardner's School-house to a spelling. Accompanied Miss Sarah Wright to Uncle Geo. Craig's. Home about 11 o'clock. Sleighing good.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 1867.

John Melvin's. Harmon's Creek.
Dug 28 bushels of coal in the forenoon. Father hauled it up home. Father and mother went to Will Bushfield's in the evening in the sleigh. Went to John Melvin's in the evening and fed his stock, he having gone to Carrollton on the sled. Spent the night with Aunt Ann and Nannie. Nannie very poorly with Phthisis. Snow melting.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1

John Melvin's. Harmon's Creek.
After doing John's feeding in the morning I put a new cord on his clock and started it. Came home about eleven o'clock. Father and mother came from Bushfield's at noon. Hauled two loads of coal for Mr. Kline. Went to John's to feed his stock and spent about two hours at Will Harlin's. Nanny had ear ache all night. Snow nearly all gone. John Wheeler died.

SATURDAY 2

Uncle Henry Melvin's. Wellsburg.
Fed John's stock in the morning, milked the cow and came home. Took John Wheeler's coffin away for David as it was raining and he feared to get wet with his croup. While filling up the grave Charlie Melvin informed me that his mother was dead. Came home, got ready and went with him to Wellsburg. Rained on us nearly all the way, they had no ushers. Coffin looked up in a room.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1867.

At Home. Took breakfast at Uncle Henry's. Attended Sabbath School in Wellbros. Aunt Alzina's funeral took place at two o'clock. P. M. Seven Carriages in procession. Will. Ann Horley and I came home after funeral. Preaching at our house at night. Good congregation. Got home just as it was over. Saw the Misses Lawther home. Somewhat colder. Appearance of snow.

MONDAY 4

John Melvin's, Harmon's Creek. Father and I husked twelve shocks of corn in the forenoon and put it in the crib. Cornelius Barber and Isaac Burt took dinner with us. Hauled a load of stove wood. Went to C. M. Stephenson's in the afternoon and from there to John's and did his feeding. Found horses quite poor. Snowed some at night. Wrote a letter to Miss Kate Kuhn.

TUESDAY 5

John Melvin's, Harmon's Creek. Fed John's stock in the morning and got home about ten o'clock. Father and I finished threshing rye and cleaned up the barn floor. As I went to John's in the evening, I stopped in Eldersville and engaged two of Cook's to help us to husk corn. Very springlike.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1867.

John Melvin's, Harmon's Creek. Did John's feeding in the morning and got home between 9 and 10 o'clock. Thomas Coon and James were here helping us to husk corn. Put in nearly one hundred bushels. Went to John's to feed in the evening. Miss Carrie McKibbin called at John's in the evening and I went with her up to Well-Hanlin's. Weather very fine.

THURSDAY 7

A. Harlin's. Susannah Melvin and R. M. Riley got home from Ohio in the morning. Brought R. M. home with me on Chasup. He threw her off and scratched her face down. Had Coon, Patrick, and R. Kline husking corn for us. Started to A. Harlin's about six o'clock. Met Bro. W. Jones there. Had a good time. Played a game of visiting cards. Made an engagement to marry with Miss Helen. Weather very fine.

FRIDAY 8

At Home. ^{Early morning} husked corn in the forenoon and hauled it in in the afternoon. He went to John L. Johnson's for the brooms. I called the sheep and went to David Harlin's on an errand to Custard for McCreedy and Jimmy Riley at Aunt Sally's until bed time. John brought Aunt Anne home on sled. Weather fine and warm.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1867.

At Home. Spent most of the day writing. Wrote letters to C. H. Patterson, Ben. H. Elliott, Rebecca McConnell ^{and} E. L. Hamilton respectively. Wrote out the minutes of last Temperance Meeting and wrote in my Diary. Put a piece on the heel of one of my fine boots. Spent the evening at Aunt Sally's. Rained nearly all day. Snowed in the evening and at night.

SUNDAY 10

At Home all day.

Did not attend church because the morning was not favorable to take a sleigh or sled to church. Snowed now but the ground under it was not frozen. Spent the entire evening at home. Evening rather pleasant.

MONDAY 11

At Home. Spent the day in the coal bank. Put out forty-two bushels of coal. Took some letters to the Post Office in the evening. Went to Mr. Lawther's to stay until bed time and found about 23 young folks there beside their own family. Got home a little after midnight. Some of the Bethel Ridge folks there in sled.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1867.

At Home. Hauled sixteen sled loads of wood for R. Blaine. Got home about three o'clock and visited Miss Bell's school at its closing exercises. J. S. Boles took supper with us. Late Smith, Mary J. Lawther and Rachel Bell at Aunt Sally's. Attended a spelling at Oak Hall. House crowded. Saw Kate A. Smith home. Three couples at Aunt Sally's. Weather fine and warm.

WEDNESDAY 13

John Melvin's. Harmon's Creek. Will. Took Maria Rayback to her school in the morning. Hauled a load of coal for C. Boles and had difficulty getting over the ice. Chopped some wood in the afternoon and put some pieces on the sides of my boots. Went to John's and spent the night there with Will. Thorley. Folks at home did not know where I was. Weather cloudy.

THURSDAY 14

At Home. Took breakfast at John's and spent most of the forenoon there. Took dinner with Miss McKibbin at Will. Hamlin's. Had a good time. John Thorley came to John's while we were eating breakfast. Got home about half past four o'clock. Will and I went to Mrs. Pogue's in the evening where we met the two Miss Lawthers, John Lawther and Peter Steen. Stayed until bed-time.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1867.

At Home. Harness'd the horses in the morning, greased the wagon and went with father and mother to Steubenville left the team on this side the river. While in town the Alleghena ice came down and stopped the ferry. I rode on a freight train and had the team put up in the stable and walked home. The mare had heard of our check and had feeding done. Father and mother did not get home. Will go to Buzellstown.

SATURDAY 16

At Home. Attended to the feeding in the morning and spent the remainder of the day doing chores. Worked some at a sled which I had been making. Put a piece over the toe of my fine boot. Father and mother got home from Steubenville after sundown. Walked to town to Temperance meeting. No speaker there and no business done.

SUNDAY 17

At J. D. Miller's West Middletown. After feeding and currying the horses in the morning, got ready and went to Middletown to Quarterly meeting. Heard Rev. Carter preach from ~~Isaiah~~ ^{Isaiah} ~~VI~~ ^{VI} ~~10~~ ¹⁰ verse. Look dinner at Mrs. Lindey's. Love feast at their place. Heard Carter at night from Psalm ~~XIV~~ ^{XIV} ~~87~~ ⁸⁷. Spent the night at Miller's.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1867,

At Home. Took breakfast at J. D. Miller in Middletown. Gathered some grafts and got home about noon. Look some corn to Boles' mill to get ground. Father and mother at home in the evening. Took Lizzie Wright to Eldersville in the evening on horse back. Maria McCannell here on a visit. Weather fine. Roads muddy.

TUESDAY 19

At Hanlin's. Went to Steubenville in the morning to get my teeth filled but could not find a dentist in his office. Bought ten dollars worth of goods among which was a Gum Coat and overcoat. Look supper at D. Sharley's. Went to Mr. Hanlin's in the evening and had a very pleasant interview with Miss Helen. Rained all night. Roads very muddy. Bad riding.

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WEDNESDAY 20

At Home. After attending to the feeding, I went to D. Sharley's and got my axe and ground it. Will and I chopped wood the remainder of the day. Cut off some cow troughs from the butt of old hollow trees. Cassidy's young folks came up in the evening. Weather damp and cloudy.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1867.

At Home. Cleared up the old house in the morning, went to David, ground the shoe knife and filed up myawl. Spent the remainder of the day making pipes for our drawing-chains. Worked until ten o'clock P.M. and completed three of them. Will visit to town for news and get a valentine. Rained some during the day and snowed on the evening.

FRIDAY 22

At Home.

Helped to do the feeding in the morning and then spent the remainder of the day making pipes for our harness. Made three pipes during the day and evening. Worked until eight o'clock. Maria McCoull here. Father and mother each recd. a valentine of comic design. Weather cold and stormy.

SATURDAY 23

At Home. Finished making the pipes for the chains and will grease the harness. He attended the singing at the Grove in the afternoon and went to C. M. Stephenson's to spend the night. Lizzie Wright and I went to Mr. Cassidy's until bed-time. Women were quilting. Spent an hour or so with the old folks. Weather cloudy. Roads muddy. Will Stearns

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1867.

At Home. Attended church in Eldersville in the forenoon. Heard Rev. Matthews from Luke ~~128~~ 42 & 43. Presented some new ideas. Represented Paradise as an intermediate state between heaven and earth. Wrote a letter to Kate Kuhn and one to S. A. Robin. Attended church at Bethel and heard Matthews from Gal. 5 & 124. Roads very muddy.

MONDAY 25

C. M. Stephenson's.

Harnessed the horses in the forenoon and took a small load of coal to town. Got some smithing done. Hauled two saw logs to the mill in the afternoon. Cut them in two. Geo. Boyd hauling also. Recd. a letter from J. A. Elliott and Aunt Ann Rice one from Aunt Ann Crisp. Spent the night at C. M. Stephenson's.

TUESDAY 26

At Home. Took breakfast at C. M. Stephenson's in the morning. Got home about nine o'clock and cut saw logs until noon, then took two of them to the mill and brought a load of boards home with us. Several logs hauled in during the day. Cows did not come home in the evening and I had ^{sent for} a hunt for them. Roads muddy.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1867.

At Home. Harnessed the horses in the morning and took a log to the Sawmill. Intended to have gone to Mrs. Cassidy's for the threshing machine, but heard that the boys were not at home. Took another log to the mill in the afternoon. Turkey roast at D. Thorsley's. Old folks all there. Lizzie Wright, Will. and I there until bed-time. Weather very fine.

THURSDAY 28

At Home. Harnessed the team in the morning and Will and I went to Mrs. Cassidy's and brought her threshing machine to our barn. Attended a corn husking at Mr. Bales on the mill property in the afternoon. Great crowd of hands. Big party at night but I did not attend. Spent the evening at Mr. Steins. Weather fine. Roads muddy.

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

At Home. Harnessed the horses in the morning and helped to set the machine. Threshed out oats. Got through about four o'clock. Plenty of help. I drove most of the day. Graded with five horses. Killed about a hundred rats. Went to town in the evening for the mail. Recd. a letter from Rebecca McConnell. Weather cloudy.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 1867.

John Melvin's, Harnessed the horses in the morning and took a load of hay to Mr. Coon's in Eldersville. Will dug twenty-one bushels of coal and I hauled it in the afternoon. Father attended uncle Henry's sale in Wellsbury. Went to town in the evening to Temperance Meeting, but the house was not opened. Went to John's and spent the night. Snowed in the evening and fore.

SUNDAY 3

At Home. Took breakfast at John Melvin's with S. P. Bales. Opened the church in the morning, kindled a fire and heard Rev. Kinny preach from Luke 11:28 and 4:14. Did not attend church in the evening as the weather was stormy. Snowed all afternoon. Will went to church at night and brought Lizzie Wright home with him. One lamb came. Ewes housed.

MONDAY 4

At Home. Harnessed the horses in the morning and father took Aunt Sallie and Mrs. Maria McConnell over to C. M. Stephenson's on the sled. Took a load of coal to town on the sled with four horses for C. Bales. Will dug fifty bushels for him. Fox destroyed one of our young lambs. Weather very stormy.

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 1867.

At Home. Sailed to do the feeding in the morning; then changed my clothes, went to the coal bank dug fifty bushels of coal for Aunt Sally and helped to put it in her coal house. Went to town for the mail and from there to Mrs. Fogues. There until tea time. Will there also. Leg. suffering with Rheumatism. Some snow on the ground.

WEDNESDAY 6

At Home. After doing the feeding, we cleaned some oats, then hurriedly took of our horses, loaded the machine with the assistance of W. B. and Joseph Casidy and took it to D. Harley's. Set the machine before dinner and thrashed this oats after dinner. Threshed some corn and oats and Will took it to mill. Mashed my finger home. Stormy and snowy.

THURSDAY 7

At Home. Spent most of the day fixing a place under the barn to shelter the sheep. Separated the ewes into two lots. Cut Will's hair and he cut mine and father's. Went to mill in the afternoon for a load of cow-feed. Intended to have gone to a singing at Miller's schoolhouse but the weather was too unfavorable. Put a patch on mother's shoe.

FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 1867.

At Home. Spent part of the forenoon feeding and working with some young lambs. Chopped wood until dinner time and then put a handle on Will's axe. After supper I changed my rigging, mounted Champ and went to Mr. Hanlin's where I spent the evening very pleasantly. George away but returned just before I left near one o'clock. Roads very muddy.

SATURDAY 9

At Home. Father and mother went to Stenberville in the morning with Phoebe and took Mrs. Maria M. Cornell with them. They did not get home until night. Spent most of the forenoon attending to young lambs. Spent the afternoon making a floor-line and altering a set of pipes. Will went to the singing at the Grove. Roads muddy.

SUNDAY 10

At Home. Attended church at Eldersville in the forenoon and heard mothers preach from Romans VIII 3 & 4. Spent part of the afternoon at David Harley's. Attended church again at Eldersville at night and heard R. M. Smith from Mark VIII 34 at 3:30 inclusive. Fanny Berry came home with us.

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 1867.

At Home. Went to the coal-bank in the morning and found that the dirt had slipped in at the mouth. After cleaning it out, I went to D. Sharkey's and got a pick sharpened and dug 35 bushels of coal. In the evening Will and I took Mrs. Lizzie Wright and Miss Hannah Beam to Mr. Rhine's. Got home about half past ten. Rained hard in the evening and all night.

TUESDAY 12

At Home. Went to the coal-bank in the morning intending to dig coal, but found so much clay slipped into the mouth of the bank that I deferred cleaning it out until some dry day. Cleaned over two hundred bushels of oats. Wrote two letters in the evening to C. H. Pattison and Amos Elliott respectively. Snow on mt. Afternoon cloudy.

WEDNESDAY 13

At Home. Cleaned up some hay in the morning and took it to Ray's mill. Got the horses with me. Lizzie and I rode out to the mill. Snow on mt. Afternoon cloudy.

THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 1867.

At Home. Spent the morning feeding the pigs and chickens. Will and I went to the side of the property formerly owned by John Miller and found the old mill for sale. Came home with Holt-Croft through Eldersville. Spent the evening with Will and Lizzie Wright at Mrs. Dyer's. Snow on mt.

FRIDAY 15

At Eldersville. Helped to do the feeding in the morning and then went to Eldersville to the election. Clerked during the day for David S. Walker, Inspector. Election passed off very pleasantly. Got through counting the votes about twelve o'clock. Mr. Melvin elected as one Inspector. Rev. J. S. Kinney preached in town at night. Weather cold.

SATURDAY 16

At Home. Harnessed the team in the morning and Will and I took a small load of hay to Eldersville for Mr. Cowan. Will went to the Grove to the singing in the afternoon. Not many there on account of the snow-storm. Attended church in Eldersville at night. Heard Rev. Kinney from Prov. ~~at~~ pt of 25". Slept very pretty well.

SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 1867.

At Home. Helped to do the feeding in the morning then harnessed the horses and went to church on the sled. Heard Rev. Kimmy preach from Leviticus 18:4 "Sacrament-administered." Went back in the evening and opened the house and lit the lamps. Good congregation out. Kimmy preached from Psalm CXXIII ver. cl. 4 "Sleeping pretty good."

MONDAY 18

At Home. After doing the feeding I went to town, got Champ shod, kindled a fire in the church and cleared the lamp chimneys. Went to John Melvin's and took dinner. Came home, hauled some wood. Went back to town, learned that wife Belle Chisholm had commenced nursing. Lit the lamps. Heard Rev. Kimmy preach from Malachi III ver. cl. 8. Went to church on sled. Quite cold.

TUESDAY 19

At Home. Father and mother went to Wm. Hensfield's in the morning ^{on sled}. Mother stayed, I went to Stebensville and had seven of my teeth filled. Stopped at Mrs. Fague's both as I went and came. Bought Lyle a pair of shoes. Went to town at night expecting preaching but Mr. Kimmy did not come. Weather fine.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 1867.

At Home. Cut down a tree and cut three saw-logs off it in the forenoon and rolled them down to the saw. In the afternoon we hauled the logs to the mill and brought a load of lumber home with us. Intended to have gone to Johnathan Wright's but the weather was very unfavorable in the evening.

THURSDAY 21

At Home. After doing the feeding, Will and I went to Mr. Boles' and helped them to thresh oats. I fed during the day. Got through about three o'clock and put the machine on the wagon. Weather very unpleasant. Rained and snowed in the evening. Aunt Sally visiting at C. W. Stephenson's.

FRIDAY 22

At Home. Wrote a letter in the forenoon to Miss Kate Kufn. Finished cleaning up our oats in the afternoon. Had 357 bushels as the year's crop. John came along on horse of cattle and logs to buy. Mended a bridle and altered a pair of pipes in the evening. Very stormy.

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 1867.

At Home. Cleaned out the mouth of the coal bank in the forenoon and dug 33 bushels of coal against three o'clock. Father went to Steubenville on horseback, with marketing. Will attended singing at the Grand Man. Crisp here for supper. Started to go to Johnston Wrights with Will and Lizzy would but learning that Sarah was not at home we stopped at Uncle Geo. Crisp.

SUNDAY 24

At Home. Did the feeding in the morning, got ready and went to Eldersville with Lizzy Wright. Heard Rev. Mr. Vance preach from Isaiah 40:1-5. Will attended church at Bethel both forenoon and afternoon. Spent the evening at David Shurley's. Rained some and thundered.

MONDAY 25

At Home. Hauled two loads of coal in the forenoon and cut a saw-log and loaded it on the wagon, took it to mill in the afternoon and brought a load of lumber home. Went to Mrs. Pogue's in the evening and got some apples. Mrs. Nancy J. Erwin, Boles young folks, John Melvin and family here. John's family stayed over night.

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 1867.

A. Fanning's.

Helped to do the feeding in the morning harnessed the horses and took a load of coal to town for C. Boles. After dinner we took a saw-log to the mill and brought a load of lumber home with us. Started to Mr. Fanning's about a quarter before six. Roads very bad, snowing and sleeting but had a very good time while there.

WEDNESDAY 27

At Home. Got home about three o'clock and slept until seven. Hauled two logs to the sawmill during the day, brought one load home from there and one from the foot of the hill. Cassidy's young folks and Will Steen here until bed-time. Roads in very bad condition. Weather very cloudy and snowing in the evening late.

THURSDAY 28

At Home.

After the feeding was done in the morning we shelled about 18 bushels of the ~~oats~~ corn, mixed it with oats and Will took part of it to mill. Cut a log out of the way by the School House. Will and I attended an exhibition at Paris. Had a good time. Jimmie broke the bridle and ~~sitting~~ weather cold.

FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 1867.

Johnathan Wright.

Chopped wood in the forenoon. Took a log to the saw-mill in the afternoon for D. Sholey. Brought home some lumber and some spinning. Lizzie Wright, Will. and I in company with Chas' young folks went to Johnathan Wrights on a visit and did not leave there until after midnight. Had a good time. Roads very muddy.

SATURDAY 30

Alex. Cummings, W. Middletown.

After doing the feeding in the morning father and I took the wagon and went to Middletown to Quarterly Meeting. Preaching at 2 o'clock by Rev. King Mark VIII loc. Ch. 24th verse. Preaching again at night by Carter from Mat. VIII 24th. Spent the night at Alex. Cummings. Weather fine. Roads bad.

SUNDAY 31

J. P. Miller's West-Middletown

Attended Sabbath School in the morning at W. Middletown. Heard Carter preach at eleven from II Kings I Middle Clause 19th. Spent the afternoon at Lovefees and at Mr. Denny. Ate dinner at J. P. Miller's and spent the night there. Heard King at night from Acts IX 32. His farewell address. House crowded.

MONDAY, APRIL 1, 1867.

At-Home.

Took breakfast at J. P. Miller's in W. Middletown. Walked out to Pleasant Hill, rode in the wagon down to Bushfields and walked from there home. Got home about one o'clock. Spent the afternoon hauling stumps off the field we intended to plow. Spent the evening with D. Sholey's folks in Mrs. Foy's sugar-camp.

TUESDAY 2

At-Home.

Spent the day plowing sod-ground. Just before supper-time I broke the cutter off the point in an elder-bunch. Put on another point. Went to David Sholey's in the evening in company with Will. Ed King and Lizzie Wright. Had some Saffy and maple sugar. Weather fine.

WEDNESDAY 3

At-Home.

Went to the plow in the morning and three rounds and broke another cutter. Plowed stubble ground until dinner time, then father plowed and I cut off from corn stalks, lifted potatoes &c. Miss Annie Bell visited. Aunt Sally and paid her boarding bill. Recd. a letter from Rebecca McCormell. Weather very fine.

THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 1867.

At Home.

Harnessed the horses in the morning and went to plowing. Father plowed during the forenoon and Will and I hauled wood. Sowed eight bushels of oats in the afternoon and Will harrowed. Weather very fine and ground in very good order for plowing. Rained some at night.

FRIDAY 5

At Home.

Harnessed the horses in the morning. Will and I took two loads of coal to town for C. Boles. Broke a spreader chain in McConnells line. Hauled a load of coal in the evening for J. R. Kline. Heard report that my wedding was to come off next Thursday. Hoax. Snowed some during day.

SATURDAY 6

At C. M. Stephenson's.

Sowed some clover seed in the morning and went to Mrs. Piques and got a plow-point. Hauled a load of stave wood before dinner. Lydia Cooper paid us a visit. Plowed sod in the afternoon. Walked over to Stephenson's in the evening and spent the night there. Snow on the ground in the morning. Day fine.

SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 1867.

At Home.

Took breakfast at C. M. Stephenson's. Attended the Methodist Church in Eldersville and heard sermon from the text ~~XXXI~~ Psalm 145: 10. Took dinner at John Melon's. Heard sermon again at S. E. Cabch in the W. M. Church from III Cor. ~~XXXX~~ 14: 10. Missionary collection lifted \$1.00 raised. Day very fine.

MONDAY 8

At Home. Father took the Rev. Mr. Limy to Hanlon's Station in the morning on his way to Conference. I plowed until dinner time. Father plowed until supper time and I sowed oats, lifted potatoes cut stave wood &c. Will harrowed all afternoon. I plowed after supper. Threatened rain nearly all day. Commenced raining after night.

TUESDAY 9

4 A. Hanlon's. Plowed the lower garden in the morning then plowed stalk ground on the hill until supper time. Father and Will made some garden. After supper I fed the sheep, changed my rigging and went to Mrs. Hanlon's via Uncle Ben Crisp and John Melon's. Spent the night very pleasantly in company with Miss Helen. With Miss Jimmie Hanlon there. Weather very fine.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 1867.

At Home. Spent the forenoon fixing up the wagon and assorting some potatoes to take to town. Plowed some in the afternoon until the rain came on. Father took mother over to Stephenson's in the buggy in the forenoon. Mary very unwell. Aunt Sally and father went over in the evening and did not return. Wrote a letter to Miss Kate Kuhn. Robt Boyd married.

THURSDAY 11

At Home. Spent the forenoon feeding the stock and mending harness. Greased the harness in the afternoon and finished sowing oats. Hearing no word from Stephenson's during day, went over and learned that Mary was better, having given birth to a daughter which was dead. Bears entertained of Mary's life. Will at Stee's plowing. Robt. Boyd wounded.

FRIDAY 12

At Home. Went to town in the morning and got the coal picks sharpened. Went to D. Sharley's and took dinner. Carried a wain to the graveyard at Eldersville. Attended the funeral of C. M. Stephenson's infant daughter. Leather's girls spent the evening here. Will and I hauled a load of coal after I came home after sunset. Day very fine.

SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 1867.

At Home. Curried and harnessed the horses before breakfast and father, mother, Ed. Kinny and I went to Steubenville with the four horse wagon. Took some potatoes. Brought John Hamilton's mowing out for him. Did not get home until after night. Robt. D. Cooper and Lgd. here until bed time. Day very fine and warm.

SUNDAY 14

At Home. Attended an election of officers of the Sabbath School of Eldersville at which I was elected Superintendent, C. M. Stephenson Assistant, Israel Wright Librarian. Heard Noble preach at eleven from Mat. XI 29 "830". Did not attend church in the afternoon but stayed at home with Ed. Kinny. Day very fine.

MONDAY 15

At Home. Harnessed the horses in the morning and took Liz Hamilton mowing down to the mill. Brought two loads of lumber from the mill. Father mowed one of his fingers. Went to town with the wagon in the evening and got Champ and Charlie shod. Borrowed a Hillebrand plow from Stephenson's plow to a narrow lane. Hauled some in afternoon.

TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 1867.

At Home. Went to David Staley in the morning. Half sold and patched my boots after I came home. Painted our new harrow. Lizzie Wright, Will. and I went to D. Staley's and spent the evening with the Misses Sarah Wright, Nancy Crisp and M. J. Lanther. Rained nearly all day.

WEDNESDAY 17

At Home. Harnessed the horses in the morning and undertook to plow with the young team and a hillside plow. Plow gave out and I had to quit. Raked some corn stocks off the meadow with the horse rake. Father and mother went to Will. Bushfield's in the evening and Lizzie Wright and I went to Stephens's until bedtime. Weather fine 19"

THURSDAY 18

At Home. Spent the day plowing corn ground. Aunt Sally and Lizzie Wright at Mr. Boles' quilting. I went over in the evening and came home with Lizzie at bedtime. Had a very pleasant visit. Weather very fine and warm.

FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 1867.

At Home. Father and mother being away with Charlie, I harnessed Joel and Jennie and plowed with them a while in the forenoon until they came home. Plowed until supper time then painted the harrow and did the feeding. Wrote a letter to Lib. Hamilton in the evening. Weather very fine

SATURDAY 20

John Melons, Harmon's Creek. Plowed corn ground until nearly supper time when he plowed a ditch through the swamp in which both the horses fell down. I went to John's in the evening and spent the night there. Will attended the singing at the Grove at candle light. Rained a very heavy shower about 4 1/2 o'clock.

SUNDAY 21

At Home. Took breakfast at John's. Entered upon my labors as Superintendent of Eldersville Sabbath School. Pretty good turn out but late gathering. Heard Mothers from Lake Hill 29° 31" inclusive. Will and I attended church at the Tent in the afternoon and heard Mr. Campbell on the subject of Healt from Ex. III. Ch. 30. Good turnout. Rained some in the evening.

MONDAY, APRIL 22, 1867.

R. P. Coopers. Spent most of the day plowing and quit at supper-time and lanced the sheep. Father plowed until night till, harrowing corn ground. Went to Cooper's about dark and spent the night there. Had toothache and did not sleep well. Slept with John Reed. Weather cool and cloudy.

TUESDAY 23

At Home. Plowed and until dinner-time when I finished the sod ground for corn. Plowed a small piece in the afternoon and planted some potatoes. Mr. Cassidy and I took two rows to Mr. Dimick. Got home about sunset. Mr. Kiny and his family came in the afternoon, visited at Mr. Cassidy's and spent the night at David Thorley's. Weather cool and cloudy.

WEDNESDAY 24

At Home. Wrote a long letter to Rebecca McConnell in the forenoon. Father mended David Thorley's gun, and Mrs. Kiny went to C. M. Stephenson's in the afternoon. I went to Mr. Dimick and brought our gun home. Will spent the day visiting. Mr. Kiny and family spent the night with us. Lanced in the forenoon and is very disagreeable.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 1867.

At Home. Helped Rev. Mr. Kiny to get his traps in readiness for traveling in the morning and saw him start with his family. Took a locust stick to D. Thorley's to get wagon hubs turned. Father took mother to Mr. Gillespie's in the morning. Hauled stones off the meadow after dinner with four horses. Making turnpike at the stable door. Weather very fine.

FRIDAY 26

At Home. Charlie was very lame and Will took him to the shop in the forenoon and got him shod. Finished picking stones off the meadow. Planted a few potatoes after supper. Father very unwell but went in the buggy to Mr. Gillespie's and brought mother home. Day very fine.

SATURDAY 27

At Home. Kindled the fire in the morning turned the sheep out. I mended some stones before breakfast. Cut off some corn stocks and settled the sheep. Went to town in the evening for the mail. Attended a singing at Pine Grove Church at night. Father very unwell. Weather very fine. Rev. Carter here over night.

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 1867.

At Home. Attended Sabbath School in the morning at Eldersville and had a very good turnout. Clapes selected their teachers. Heard Rev. Carter at eleven o'clock from Mat. XV & 13. Took dinner at C. S. Stephenson's and heard Carter again in the evening from Romans VIII & 21. Father not able to attend in forenoon. Weather cool.

MONDAY 29

At Home. Felt very unwell when I arose in the morning, turned the sheep out and fed the horses. Took the gun with me when I took the cows to pasture, but could not shoot any. Spent most of the day in bed with head-ache. Went to David Harley's in afternoon & got a ram-rod for the gun. Felt better in the evening. Day very fine but cool.

TUESDAY 30

J. Stewart's, W. Middletown. Finished plowing in the forenoon. Hauled out some manure after dinner. About four o'clock J. T. Boles came along and he and I went to Middletown to Mr. Byers' singing. Before singing was over, a very heavy rain came on and we spent the night at Mr. Stewart's. Singing was good.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 1867.

At Home. Took breakfast at Mr. Stewart's with J. T. Boles. Spent most of the forenoon loafing about the stores in Middletown. Got home about noon. Lyd. Cooper and Ann Sholey here. Made a frame to keep vines up over kitchen door. Went to town in the evening for the mail. Rec'd a letter from Miss Kate Kuhn. Forenoon wet. Afternoon better fine.

THURSDAY 2

At Home. Luffed Will. to harness the horses in the morning and he took a barrel of molasses to Mr. Bushfield's. Father and I hauled down two small sled loads of hay off the hill. Spent the afternoon marking out corn ground. Went to Mr. Boles in the evening and sent with James T. to Pittsburgh for a violin. Weather very cool.

FRIDAY 3

A. Hamilton's. Harnessed the horses in the morning and finished hauling out stable manure before dinner. Mrs. Figue came on a visit. Bell Cooper wanting help to plant corn. Will. and I helped him in the afternoon. I left at supper time having an engagement for the evening. Spent the evening very pleasantly at Mr. Hamilton's in company with Miss Kuhn. Weather very fine.

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 1867.

At Home. Got home from Mr. H's. about 3 a.m. and slept until half past five. Will and I helped Robt. Cooper to finish planting corn. They washed a lot of sheep in a box. I went to town in the evening and got Jennie shod. Rec'd a letter from C. H. Patton. Went to John Melvin's and spent a short time. Uncle Henry Melvin here over night. Weather fine.

SUNDAY 5

At Home. Attended Sabbath School in Eldersville in the morning. Very good turn out. Rev. Mr. Matters not being at home there was no preaching and the people were disappointed. Spent the remainder of the day at home. Aunt Sally and Uncle Henry visited at C. M. Stephenson's. Rained some in the evening.

MONDAY 6

At Home. When I awoke in the morning I found it raining. Spent the forenoon writing letters. Did not rain about noon and I hauled a load of coal for Mr. Kline, took a load to town for C. Boles and brought a load home. Went to Mr. Boles' in the evening and stayed until bed-time. Mr. Farrar there also. Weather very fine.

TUESDAY, MAY 7, 1867.

At Home. Harneped Charlie in the morning for father and mother to go to Steubenville. I went on horseback. Bought myself a hat, a violin, two shirts & some postage stamps. Got some teeth filled. Took supper at Robt. P. Cooper's with Mrs. Sawyer. Got home about even - set, and found Will harrowing. Weather cool.

WEDNESDAY 8

At Home. Harneped the horses in the morning and Will finished harrowing the corn ground before dinner; after dinner we took two plows and marked it out. Got through about half past five o'clock then got ready and went to a singing in John Arnsproker's new house. Quite a crowd out. Night very cool and frosty. Got home about midnight. My ears very sore from tooth aches.

THURSDAY 9

At Home. Will went to Mrs. Tague's in the morning and got some help to plant corn. Robt. Cooper, John Reed, Mr. Thorley and Bill helped us during the day. Got through planting corn about six o'clock. Sorghum and potatoes to plant yet. Spent the evening at home. My jaw still very sore. Weather fine but cool.

FRIDAY, MAY 10, 1867.

At Home. Planted sorghum in the forenoon and run out of seed Went to Mr. C. Scotts and got some more. Planted some potatoes and then finished planting corn. Went to town with Lizzie Wright in the evening. From thence I went to C. M. Stephens. Rec'd a letter from Lib. S. Hamilton. Weather fine but cool.

SATURDAY 11

Roll P. Cooper's helped David Shorley to plant his corn. Got through a little before two o'clock. Will went to the Grove to a Ringing. After supper I went to Mr. Steen's to make some arrangements about washing sheep. From there I went to Eldersville in company with Will. Steen. Spent the night at Roll P. Cooper's. Did not return until Sunday.

SUNDAY 12

At Home. Took breakfast at Cooper's and helped him some with his young colts. Came home and walked to Eldersville to Sabbath School. Heard Rev. Carter preach from III Co. VII & 10. Walked home and took dinner with C. M. Stephens at Aunt Sally's. He brought Ann home. Heard Mathews preach in the evening. Went to Stephens' Mary wishing to refer to my diary. Day very warm.

MONDAY, MAY 13, 1867.

At Home. Harrowed two horses in the morning, hauled a load of corn from the crib to the barn. Built a sheep pen and hauled a load of manure to the garden before dinner. Extracted our lambs in the afternoon and killed Aunt Sally's calf. James S. Boles came along in the evening and Will. I went with him to Roll P. Cooper's where we came until near three o'clock. Hail storm in the evening. Day quite warm.

TUESDAY 14

At Home. Arose at four o'clock and brought in the team and harrowed, for father to go to Steubenville. Spent the forenoon making stones in front of the stable and mending a ladder. Spent most of the afternoon shelling corn. Went to town in the evening for sacks but did not get them. David Shorley and Roll Cooper making a box to wash sheep in. Jennie Lawther here over night. Weather very cool.

WEDNESDAY 15

At Home. Spent most of the forenoon breaking stones in front of the stable. After dinner we went to the sheep pen to prepare for washing sheep. Spent the afternoon putting in a box. Did not seem to work well. Was not low enough to allow the water to run in freely. Rained several hours in the afternoon.

Monday to prepare sheep pen

THURSDAY, MAY 16, 1867.

At Home. Brought the horses in from the pasture in the morning, fed and harnessed them and hauled three loads of coal to town for C. Boles. After fixing the box for washing sheep David Shorley's sheep and one flock of Robt. Coopers were washed. Box worked well. While coming home from town in the evening I got quite with in a shower of rain.

FRIDAY 17

At Home. Spent the forenoon mashing stones in front of the stable and clipping some sheep. After dinner we washed our sheep in the run-box. Got through about three o'clock. Went to town in the evening for grain sacks. Made a call at C. M. Stephenson's. Cyrus and Mary here over night. Brought Lizzie Wright home from L. Shorley's in the evening. David and Ann here until bed time. Weather quite cool.

SATURDAY 18

At Home. Borrowed L. Shorley's mare in the morning harnessed up the team and Will. Shorley and I took about 53 bushels of grain to Hankin's Mill for John and Henry Cooper. Got home about one o'clock. Read the confession of Robt. Hooper the murderer of Linemore. Father and mother went to Middletown. We attended the singing at Pine Grove. Van Crips went with us and spent the night here. Weather very nice.

SUNDAY, MAY 19, 1867.

At Home. Rose early to allow Van Crips to get home in time to do milking before going to church. Hunted for our cows a long time, but they finally came home. Attended sacrament at the Chapel and heard Rev. Blackburn preach from Luke XXIV. 46, 47, 48. Took dinner at John Melvin's. Heard Rev. Mr. Campbell preach at the Cent. in the evening from Job. XXII & 21. Rained in the evening.

MONDAY 20

At Home. Spent the day building fence. Built the fence from the old spring house to the bars on the hill and staked and ridged it. Professor Robins came along in the evening and requested the use of the new church on Wednesday next for a lecture in. Request granted. Spent the evening at home. Practiced some sewing.

TUESDAY 21

At Home. Warm and cloudy. Spent part of the forenoon in the garden. Mended my boots before dinner. Put on two patches and two pieces on the soles. Piled up some logs in the pasture fields in the afternoon until the rain came on. Wrote a letter to Rebecca McConnell and one to J. P. Hamilton. David and Ann Shorley went to Steubenville. At town with the oxen. Lizzie Wright and L. Shorley until

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MONDAY 20

At Home. Spent the day building fence. Built the fence from the old spring house to the bars on the hill ^{and} staked and ridged it. Professor Robins came along in the evening and requested the use of the Wesleyan Church on Wednesday evening to lecture in. Request granted. Spent the evening at home. Practiced some on the organ. Warm and cloudy.

TUESDAY 21

At Home. Spent part of the forenoon in the garden. Mended my boots before dinner. Put on two patches and two pieces on the soles. Piled up some logs in the pasture fields in the afternoon until the rain came on. Wrote a letter to Rebecca McConnell and one to J. P. Baldwin. David ^{and} Ann Sharley went to Steubenville. At town with grain. Lizzie Wright ^{and} W. Sharley until

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 1867.

At Home. Took a row to Semi-Dimito in the morning. Will and I came home through Eldersville. Opened Wesleyan Church for a lecture. Came home and wrote two notes for John Melvin. Went to Dimito again for ^{some}. Attended a lecture and exhibition in Wesleyan Church in Eldersville at night - very good. Scripture paintings and others exhibited. Day very cloudy and wet.

THURSDAY 23

At Home. Morning being wet and cloudy we were not in much hurry about going to work. Rhine Rhine helped us to build some fence on the far side of the place. Horses were trouble some in the morning and would not come out of the field. Wrote a letter at night for Aunt Ann to Aunt Ann Crip. Weather over cool and cloudy.

FRIDAY 24

At Home. Spent the morning making a jack to raise the razer with. Worked on the roads during the day, opening the new road beyond Scott's Run. Spent the forenoon chopping. Spent most of the afternoon hauling stones. Half loaded our sled in the evening and prepared to take a plow on the roads tomorrow rather fine.

SATURDAY, MAY 25, 1867.

At Home. Brought in two horses before breakfast and larneped them. Spent the day working on Bethel Hill with the plow and scraper. Did not get our end of the road quite finished. Slaved my whickers all off in the evening. Will went to town for the news. Recd. a letter from C. H. Patterson. Was showery all day.

SUNDAY 26

At Home. Went to Eldersville in the morning, swept out the Wesleyan Church and kindled a fire. Went to Sabbath School. Only few scholars there little girls. Heard them recite their verses and then went over to the other church to preach. Attended church in the evening and heard Stockton from Rom. VIII 8, 32. Rained nearly all forenoon. Afternoon very pleasant.

MONDAY 27

At Home. Made a jack in the morning to raise the wagon with. Cleaned the barn out for sheep shearing. Helped Robert Cooper to take the box out in which we wanted sheep. Put it in the old stable. Hauled a load of flag stones and father and Will put them down for a walk in the front yard while I mended some collars in the evening. Heard that Lydia Newland was selected to have Sloop in the evening. Warm.

TUESDAY, MAY 28, 1867.

At-Home. Took the old buggy to the room in the morning, took it apart and we washed it preparatory to getting it rebuilt. Father took it to town in the afternoon. Will and I commenced shearing sheep. Sheared eight bucks. Intended to have gone to Thompson Creek in the evening but a thunder-gust prevented us. Miss S. E. Lawther stopped here on her way home out of the rain. Day very warm.

WEDNESDAY 29

At-Home. Went to David Shoreley's in the morning and made arrangements for the boys to help us to shear sheep. Robert Ferguson helped us also. Together we sheared sixty-one head. One of our saleable wethers died soon after it was shorn. Rob's Ferguson stayed with us over night. Weather warm. Some appearance of rain.

THURSDAY 30

At-Home. Took some sheep shears over to David Shoreley's before breakfast and had them ground. David making a coffin for Sarcas Coeuch. Shorn sheep all day six of us put out 75 sheep. One died in the pen supposed to have been trampled to death. Rob's Ferguson, Will and I went to town in the evening. Heard of a quarrel between C. Bole's and M's. Stephenson. Weather fine.

FRIDAY, MAY 31, 1867.

At-Home. Finished shearing sheep at home about nine o'clock then we all went to D. Shoreley's and helped him to shear. Rob's Ferguson gave out a little after dinner and went home. I quit at supper time, got ready and went to Mr. Hurlin's where I spent the evening very, very pleasantly in company with Miss Helen. Father and mother in town in the evening with the wagon. Weather very fine. C. Bole's & M's. Stephenson.

SATURDAY, JUNE 1

John Melvin's. Harmon's Creek. Helped David Shoreley to finish shearing sheep in the forenoon. Spent most of the afternoon fixing up a saddle and some harness. Mary Stephenson made us a short visit in the afternoon. Father and mother at Steubenville. Went to John's in the evening and found that they were at Steubenville. Spent part of the evening at M. Hurlin's. Went up there again with Zuesmah afterwards with some medicine. Weather warm.

SUNDAY 2

At-Home. Took breakfast at John Melvin's and John and I walked up to Eldersville together. Small turn out both at Sunday School and at church. Heard Rev. Mr. Mathers preach from II Cor. VIII of 5. Rode one of D. Shoreley's horses home and took dinner there. Rained on us very heavily as we came home. Spent the evening at Aunt Sally's home with Lizzy Wright. Cleared off in the evening.

MONDAY, JUNE 3, 1867.

At Home. Father and mother went to Burgettstown with a cart - to get iron wire. I went in the forenoon to Mr. Pettibone and got some cane seed for replanting. Staked and ridged some fence in the afternoon and did some chores about the house. Shot a large rat with the revolver. Will went to Cooper's to help him to shear sheep after dinner. Rained some in the afternoon.

TUESDAY 4

At Home. Mowed the front yard in the morning and cleaned it off. Helped to wash some bed-clothes. In the afternoon I cut some eye out of some wheat which are expected to cut for seed. Rained in the evening and I commenced sewing the leather on the dash-board of the buggy. Wrote a letter for mother to Saml McKee. Will went to Mr. Dennis for mule seed.

WEDNESDAY 5

At Home. Cut some stakes in the morning and fastened the log trough in its place. Spent most of the forenoon sewing the leather on the dash-board of the buggy. Planted cane seed in the afternoon. Harrowed the ground over and planted it the second time. Lizzie Wright and I spent the evening at Robt. Cooper's. Got home about eleven o'clock. Day very warm.

THURSDAY, JUNE 6, 1867.

D. Sherley's. Commenced working our corn in the morning. Considerable of it taken by the Ground squirrels. Father replanted, Will plowed and I sowed. Heard in the evening that Alex Kline was dead. Went to David's in the evening and spent the night there. David worked all night at the coffin. Weather very warm.

FRIDAY 7

At Home. Arose at daylight at D. Sherley's, took breakfast and helped the boys to prepare the horse for Alex. Kline's funeral. Spent the day in the corn field. Will plowed and I unrooved it. Father spent the day in town putting tire on the buggy wheels. Lizzie Wright and I started to town in the evening but a rain coming up we turned back. Day very warm.

SATURDAY 8

At Home. Finished sewing the dash-board in the forenoon. Mr. Jacob Dimick came to get some medicine for occipulas. Father at town. Will went to haul a stove from the station for John Hamilton and hauled a load of store goods for Robt. Osburn. I went to Steubenville in the afternoon for my watch. Ernie Kuehlfield & Sam here over night. Day stormy.

SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 1867.

At Home. Saddled five horses in the morning. Walked to Eldersville. Attended Sabbath School. House not open. Went for the day. Heard Carter preach from Psalm ~~CLXX~~ 80. John Melvin's Sinner's Friend. Bushfield and Sammie took dinner with us. Heard Carter again at Bethel from Ezekiel ~~XXXIII~~ 81. Weather quite warm. Carter here over night.

MONDAY 10

At Home. Sewed a rein on a bridle in the morning and attended low feast at Bethel. Fifteen persons there. Reverends Keltz and matters took dinner with us. Spent the afternoon in the corn field. Will went to Johns in the evening and spent the night there. Mrs. McKeever and Jenn. Bushfield here over night. Weather fine.

TUESDAY 11

At Home. Father and mother went to Burgelstown for the carpet took Mary Stephenson's pictures with them as far as Stephensons. Will and I finished working our corn over the first time. I went to town in the evening and got the shovels sharpened. Bought a new pair of pants and a vest. 21-1.25 for yard. Day fine.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 1867.

Geo. Cripp sewed some harness in the morning. Cleaned out the cutting room of the stable and loaded up a load of oats which we had sold and took them to Hardin's Mill. Got home about 5 o'clock in the evening. Will and I attended a singing at John Melvin's. Weather unfavorable. Slightly good turn out. Party at Mrs. Wells. Will and Geo. Cripp went to Wells after leaving the singing.

THURSDAY 13

At Home. Hoed corn all forenoon. Spent the afternoon until supper time repairing the cushions of the buggy. After supper Will and I worked over twenty rows of corn. Went to town in the evening for the mail. Received a long letter from Rebecca McConnell. Uncle Mr. McKeever here over night. Weather very fine.

FRIDAY 14

At Home. Went to D. Shorley's in the morning and borrowed his buggy for father and mother to go to Steubenville in. Will and I spent the forenoon in the corn field. Dipped up twenty rows. Hived two swarms of bees in the afternoon. Visited at Thompson Cripp in the evening. Mrs. Rooley and Ann Rooley here in afternoon. Day clear and warm.

SATURDAY, JUNE 15, 1867.

At-Home. Brought the horses in in the morning. Spent the forenoon mending & greasing the buggy harness. Father and mother went to Middletown to Quarterly meeting. Went to Eldersville in the afternoon and attended the Primary Election where I acted as clerk. Spent the evening at home. Wrote a letter to Miss Kate Rubin. Day very warm and cloudy.

SUNDAY 16

At-Home. Brought in the horses in the morning. Past Church of David's Sock & David's buggy. David, Amy, Aunt Sally and I went to W. Middletown to Quarterly meeting. Heard Rev. Carter preach from Romans I 9 & 10. Took dinner at Mrs. Lindey's. Lost feet at three o'clock but few spoke. Uncle Henry, Prof. Nailor & Adelpi here over night. Kept Cooper and Lyp. here until bed-time. Very warm.

MONDAY 17

At-Home. Hauled some wood in the forenoon after the Wellebump sisters started. Spent the afternoon with father and Will in the cornfield. Had some suspicious conversation in the evening concerning family affairs. Felt very sorry on account of father's wounded feelings but still felt that I was in the right. Was at David Thorley's until bed-time. Weather very warm - threatening rain.

TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 1867.

A. Hanlin's. Brought in the horses, harnessed two and went to the cornfield but rain prevented us from working. Cut some docks about the stable and mended some harness in forenoon. Will and father made two bee boxes in the afternoon and we had some in the can. Presbtery met at 10 o'clock. Started to Mr. Hanlin's a little before six o'clock. Met Miss Willson there. Had a good time. Stopped at John Melton's on the way.

WEDNESDAY 19

At-Home. Got home from Mr. Hanlin's about half past three o'clock in the morning. Arose a little after five. Spent the forenoon in the cornfield. Took a cow to John Am-spoker's in the afternoon. Did some post-horning on horse back. Did all for no rise. Had corn after supper. Went to town and subscribed for Washington Reporter. Day fine.

THURSDAY 20

At-Home. Spent the day in the cornfield. Finished working the field over the hill the second time. Got through a little before sunset. Prof. Loller and Sackie Lane came in the evening and went with us to S. Hurley's to a singing. Had a good time. Studied a new system of music. After we came home weather fine.

FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 1867.

At Home. Prof. Lollar and Sadie Lane left here in the morning about nine o'clock.

Hived a swarm of bees in the afternoon and spent the remainder of the day working corn and sorghum. Father went to Steubenville for some medicine for a sick cow. Will and I went to town in the evening. Commenced raising a singing clasp for Prof. Lollar. Day warm.

SATURDAY 22

At Home. Brought in a horse and Will plowed some cane before breakfast. Hoed cane and care until supper-time then went to the singing at Bethel. Had a good singing endeavored to get up a clasp for Prof. Lollar but failed. Will and I went to Eldersville after singing. Got several subscribers there to raise a clasp. Weather very warm.

SUNDAY 23

At Home. Brought in the horses in the morning and rode to Sabbath School. Opened the Wesleyan Church. Found bees working in it. Heard Nolan preach from John II 36. Took dinner at C. M. Stephensons. Heard Mather in the evening from Mat. XVII 36-37. Got some subscribers to Lollar's musical convention. Weather very warm.

MONDAY, JUNE 24, 1867.

At Home. Spent the forenoon hiving cane. Resumed working our corn the second time and commenced it the third time. Father and I went to Eldersville in the forenoon in the buggy. Washed it off after coming home and went to Will. Bushfields in the evening. Went to Mr. Bales' in the evening and told them about the musical Convention. Came home past D. Peoples ^{at Logansport} ~~Logansport~~ Tuesday night. Day warm.

TUESDAY 25

At Home. While eating breakfast ^{Willaway} a swarm of bees came off of Will. and I hived them. Hoed corn the rest of the day until supper-time when we went to town to attend the commencement of Prof. Lollar's musical Convention. Nothing done until after lamp-lighting. Did not get home until after eleven o'clock. Felt unwell during the day and could not sweat. Very warm & dry.

WEDNESDAY 26

At Home. Spent the day in the cornfield until near three o'clock when we attempted to hive a swarm of bees which finally went away. Prof. Lollar and I went to Pine Grove Church with the buggy and got a blackboard. Went to Eldersville to attempt singing at six o'clock. Clasp did not meet until after seven. Had a good lesson. Got home about eleven o'clock. Warm.

THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 1867.

At Home. Helped Pauly McConnell to raise his new house in the forenoon. Building went together very well. Helped Wm. Stein to put some logs on his sheep house after dinner. Had some corn. Attended the singing in the evening at six o'clock. Prof. Loller did not get back from Middletown until dark. Was riding Champ. Day fine.

FRIDAY 28

At Home. Finished going over the corn over the hill the third timend and commenced the third time on the piece back of the barn. Did not work at half past four o'clock and Will and I attended the singing at Eldersville. Did not get home until near eleven o'clock. Weather favorable and claps progressing finely.

SATURDAY 29

At Home. Brought the horses in in the morning and helped father get ready to go to Stubbenville in the buggy. Willnd took Aunt Sally's cow to John Amspokers. Got my hair cut after dinner and a warm fleece and then finished our corn the third time. Lizzie Wrightnd and I attended the singing in Eldersville. Went in buggy.

SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 1867.

At Home. Attended Sabbath School in Eldersville in the morning. Prof. Loller there and sang after Sabbath School. Heard Rev. Mathers preach from Ex. ~~text~~ & middle clause 19. Will attended sacrament at Tent. Lizzie and I went to D. Thorly's in afternoon and spent some time on rudiments of music. Gathered another at Middletown. Weather quite Pleasant.

MONDAY, JULY 1

At Home. Brought in the horse in the morning and spent the day working corn until supper time. Made two stools to place lamps on in the church for the singing class. Attended singing in the evening. Got along well. Got home about half past nine o'clock and found Aunt Mary McKeevernd and Will Steward here on their way to Newburg. Weather very warm. Some appearance of rain.

TUESDAY 2

At Home. Finished hoeing our corn between nine and ten o'clock. Plowed by hand and hilled the corn in the lower garden. After dinner Will and I took two loads of coal to town for Cornelius Polio. Got home a little after five o'clock. Attended singing in the evening. Lesson suited us better than common. Got home about ten o'clock. Day very warm.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3, 1867.

At Home. Cleaned up some timothy seed in the forenoon and cleaned up the barn. Gathered some mulberries after dinner. Cut the thistles out of the field above the house. Father & mother went to Middletown in the evening. I went to Eldersville in the evening and got picnic shod. Rained a little in the afternoon - Very warm.

THURSDAY 4

Said O. Nolan's Mr. Middletown. Brought in a horse in the morning, got ready and went to Middletown to a Sabbath School celebration. Had a good time. Heard W. Lindsey, Mr. Patton and Prof. Loller speak. Had a good dinner. Rained hard just after dinner. Got out some of us went to Mr. Carter's in the evening and played a short time. Attended Prayer meeting. Spent the night at Mr. Nolan's.

FRIDAY 5

At Home. Took breakfast at S. J. Nolan's in Middletown. Got home between 11 and 12 o'clock. Went to Eldersville before dinner and got a bolt for the mowing machine. Weather being showery spent some of the afternoon in the house practicing music. Took the mowing machine to town in the evening for repairs and attended the meeting. Incl. Isaac Middle, Hunt, Bates, Jones, and Hunt, Francis.

SATURDAY, JULY 6, 1867.

At Home. Gathered some mulberries and raspberries for breakfast. Waddles left about ten o'clock. Will and I went to Carter's after dinner and ground two scythes. Attended the singing at Eldersville in the evening at which we decided not to have a concert. Got home about ten o'clock and did some writing. Mrs. Cassidy lying very low.

SUNDAY 7

At Home. Attended Sabbath School in the morning. Prof. Loller there and sang 15 the melodion which I carried down from Giblee's. Heard Carter preach from Lam. entations. II 8, at Cl. 9. John, Susan, Lou Bushfield and Lizzie Lee for dinner. Rained in the afternoon and we did not attend church. Mrs. Cassidy still very low. James came in the morning. Ranick at night.

MONDAY 8

A. Harline. Will and I went to Mrs. Poyles in the morning and ground the knives of the mowing machine. Cut about 43 dozens of wheat in the afternoon. Went with Lizzie Wright as far as Eldersville to the singing. Went to Mr. Harline's and spent the night until 1-2 o'clock with Helen. She became afflicted because of my sleighty eating her water but she being unwell, so gave me and we had a good time.

TUESDAY, JULY 9, 1867.

At Home. Went to D. Storley's in the morning and got the measure of Mrs. Casaday's coffin. Went to Bethel helped Kirk & Ellis and Billy Mitcalf to dig the grave. Took dinner at Mrs. Mitcalf's. Came home, changed my clothes and attended the funeral at three o'clock. Attended singing in town in the evening. Will attended an exhibition at the Chapel but on 11th which broke up in a hurry.

WEDNESDAY 10

At Home. Spent the day in the wheat field. Cut and put up something over fifty dozens. Went to town in the evening and attended the singing preparing for a concert. Agreed to furnish boards for a stage. Got home about ten o'clock. Day very pleasant.

THURSDAY 11

At Home. Broys in the house before breakfast expecting father to go to town but he did not go until after dinner when he took a load of boards up to make a stage for the concert. Spent the day cutting wheat. After supper Will and I gathered a load of pines and took them to town. John Robertson misbehaved and was dismissed from the class of singers.

FRIDAY, JULY 12, 1867.

At Home. Father and mother went to Steubenville with the buggy. Prof. Lollar took breakfast with. Lgd. Came over and gathered some cherries. Will and I cut ten dozens of wheat in the forenoon and then went to Eldersville to practice for the concert. Came home for supper. Went back at night. Got home eleven o'clock.

Day cloudy and showers.

SATURDAY 13

At Home. Gathered some raspberries before breakfast. Cut wheat in the forenoon. Finished cutting rye after dinner. Attended training for concert. Took supper at C. M. Stephenson's. Attended concert a night and sang with the class. Admittance 25 cents. Piped off pretty well. Took in sixteen dollars. Some misbehavior out of doors. Got home about one o'clock.

SUNDAY 14

At Home. Brought the cows in the morning and helped to milk one. Father to sabbath school. Prof. Lollar head the singing. Took dinner at C. M. Stephenson's after hearing Rev. Matt's preach from Heb. 11: 1-16. Talked a short time with some of the boys and came home. Weather quite warm. Will went to the creek to hear Alex. Whistler.

MONDAY, JULY 15, 1867.

At Home. Gathered three quarts of Heart cherries before breakfast. Spent most of the day gathering cherries. Mary Stephenson and May here in the afternoon. Father and Will went to town for the mowing machine and a load of our board that were there. Had some come in the evening and went to D. Thorley's to dress a track chaser for the machine.

TUESDAY 16

At Home. Will and I gathered a large bucket of cherries in the morning. Finished cutting wheat in the afternoon. Rebecca Bushfield, Sam. and Louis came for cherries. Commenced mowing in the evening. Rebecca Jane McKiever and Mary Taggart were here over night. David Thorley's - Shofersville with buggy. Aunt Ann with them got photographs taken.

WEDNESDAY 17

At Home. Mame Taggart and R. J. McKiever took breakfast with us and went to Eldersville to Teacher's examination. Spent most of the day mowing. Broke the cutter bar of the machine after supper. Went to town. Got the promise of a cutter bar from David Martin. Put up some hay in the evening. Weather fine.

THURSDAY, JULY 18, 1867.

At Home. Spent most of the forenoon gathering cherries. Father went to town to get the mowing machine fixed and was away nearly all day. Will and I put up hay. After supper I took the mowing machine to town. Father and Mother went to see Lizzie Steen who had fallen from a cherry tree and got nearly killed. Weather fine.

FRIDAY 19

At Home. Gathered a few red heart cherries in the morning before breakfast. Broke in the horse. Helped to haul two loads of hay then went to Billy McConnell's with Champ and the rake and raked hay for C. Boles. Came home at supper time. Was back and helped to put up some hay. D. Thorley's horse here helping with the hay. C. Boles mending our mowing machine. Day fine.

SATURDAY 20

At Home. Broke in the horses in the morning. Rigged up the two horse wagon and hauled up two loads of wheat. After dinner Will and I took the two young horses and went to Billy McConnell's and helped to stack some hay for Cornelius Boles. Put up two large ricks. Got home after dark. Father and Mother

SUNDAY, JULY 21, 1867.

At Home. Brought in the horses before breakfast; got ready and went to Sabbath School past Mr. Steen's. Found Lizzie no better. Heard Helen preach from I Kings 18 " 21". Aunt Sally and I went back to Church in the buggy and heard Mother's sermon Col. III 9". Lizzie Wray and I spent the evening at David Charles's.

MONDAY 22

At Home. Brought in the horses before breakfast. Put a piece on the top of my boot. Went to town for the mowing-machine and stayed there until it was fixed, got home between two and three o'clock. Finished mowing the meadow beyond the spring and took the machine to D. Charles's. Visited Lizzie Steen and found her very low. ~~Some appearance of rain.~~

TUESDAY 23

At Home. Brought in the horses before breakfast. Took Charlie and mowed for David Charles until supper-time when I broke a guard. Took the cutter-bar to town in David's buggy. Father and Mother went to Pleasant Hill to attend A. C. McKee's funeral. R. Kline helped us to haul hay afternoon.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 1867.

At Home. Wet the wagon wheels in the morning and failed wheel until dinner-time with Charlie and Jennie. Father and mother came home from Pleasant Hill about nine o'clock. Grafton Harlow and family came at noon. Rained in the afternoon. Went to help D. Charles put up hay but of course. Went to town in the evening for the cutter-bar. Broke with me in buggy.

THURSDAY 25

At Home. Spent most of the forenoon gathering cherries. Cut off two limbs with the saw. Got Mr. End Dason here in the afternoon for cherries. Hauled in two loads of wheat after dinner and rain stopped us. Will and I drove to Alex. Smith's. Very hard to drive. Nearly run our horses down. Very warm.

FRIDAY 26

John Melvin's, Burgettstown. Spent the forenoon mending my boots. Bushfield folks here for cherries, also John Melvin, Will. Harlow, Elias White and Mat Kirkardson. Will and I gathered a basket of cherries in the afternoon and took them to Burgettstown. For Mr. Ralston and a visit. Rained some in the morning.

SATURDAY, JULY 27, 1867.

At Home. ^{set home from Maryells-}
town about two o'clock in the
morning. Finished hauling wheat in
the forenoon. Rained hard about
noon. Cradled oats in the afternoon
and attended to some of the sheep
after supper which had worms in their
heads. Father and mother went to
Middletown. Cousin Addie Taylor here.

SUNDAY 28

At Home. Attended Sabbath School
in Eldersville in the morning and
found a dead hummingbird in
the church. Asked some general
questions to the school which were
fairly well answered. Spent the
afternoon at home. David Shields
and Anna at Aunt Selth's. Rained in
the afternoon.

MONDAY 29

John Melvin's, Harmon's Creek.
Will and I spent an hour or two among
the sheep in the morning destroying worms.
Abe Barber and Fanny here for cherries.
Commenced about ten o'clock and moved
a meadow for David Thorley. Got things
at sunset and went to John Melvin's, Louis
Mazze Melvin. Left at 1.59 which John
had borrowed of me.

TUESDAY, JULY 30, 1867.

At Home. Came home from John
Melvin's in the morning went to D. Thorley's
ground the knives of the mowing machine
brought it home, mowed and put up 125
cords of hay. Miss Annie Bell here visiting.
Grafton Taylor and Charlie Melvin came
in the evening and spent the night with us.
Addie here. Had a good time. Day fine.

WEDNESDAY 31

At Home. Brought in the horses and
henshed them before breakfast. Hauled
three loads of rails. Built a stack of
hay and David Thorley built two for us.
Grafton Taylor and Charlie Melvin hauled hay
for us got through stacking just before
supper. Will and I doctored sheep some after
supper. We tied and shocked 29 dozens of
oats. Appearance of Harmon's

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

At Home. Went to D. Thorley's
in the morning and borrowed a hand rake.
We tied up thirty five dozens of oats
before the rain came on. Will helped
David to put up a stack of hay. Wrote
two letters in the afternoon and cradled
some oats. Was unwell at bedtime. Father
and mother went to Eldersville. Taylor's here.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 1867.

At Home. Went to D. Thorley's in the morning and ground & c. the Prof. Taylor & family went to C. M. Stephensons. Spent the day cutting oats which were very much knocked down with the wind and rain. Will Thorley and Ann went to Steubenville for some photographs &c. Went to Mr. Boles' after I quit work. ^{Went not at home. Came}

SATURDAY 3

At Home. Will and I spent an hour or so among the sheep clearing out pens. Finished cutting oats and tied about forty dozens. Will went to John's and spent the night. John was here until bed-time wanting help to cut oats. J. T. Boles here a short time. Rev. Carter here over night. Weather fine

SUNDAY 4 NIGHT

At Home. Attended Sabbath School at Steubenville in the morning. Heard Rev. Mr. Carter preach at eleven o'clock from Isaiah 40: 1-10. Came home for dinner. Will and I went to church in the evening in the buggy. Aunt Sally and Leggy Wright came home with him and went out with Geo. Crip. Had letters from Phil. 7 & 8

MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 1867.

At Home. Harnessed the horses in the morning and finished mowing about two o'clock. Helped to put up 110 cocks of hay in the afternoon. Got through a little after six o'clock. Got ready and went to Mr. Hardins. Met Harrison McConnell Mr. and Mrs. Gracy there had a good time. Weather very warm. ^{Went to Mr. Hardins}

TUESDAY 6

At Home. Cut some stove wood in the morning. Spent the day until supper time putting up hay. Had one stack made finished when it slid off the foundation and I had to build it over again. Finished putting up hay. Tied oats after supper hauled two wagon loads into the barn. Rained quite a storm after dark. Read until 10 o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY 7

At Home. Will and I went to David Thorley's in the morning and helped to finish cutting his oats. He was helping Mr. Philips to stack his hay. Cornelius Philips helped us to tie oats in the afternoon. Hauled in three small loads in the evening. Finished tying and stacking just before the rain. Went to Mrs. Boles for Aunt Sally but ^{did not see her} Read until 11 o'clock P.M.

Read a book entitled "Practical" ^{and} "Read her in..."

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 1867.

At John Melvin's. Harmon's Creek Mill. And I went to John's in the morning and from thence in search of Black-berries. Got one patent-bucket full and about a half of another. In the evening I took John's supper to him and helped him to shock the last of his Oats. Spent the night with them. Weather very warm.

FRIDAY 9

At-Home. Arose about-five o'clock at John Melvin's and went to the Blackberry patch and gathered about three quarts of berries before breakfast. Came home and hauled oats the remainder of the day. Finished harvesting about-noon. Roped out a stack of hay. Father and mother spent the evening at Mrs. Tague's.

SATURDAY 10

At-Home. Harrowed two horses in the morning and went to help John to finish harvesting and found that he was done. Helped him to pick some Blackberries. I bought three gallons for 1.00. Next come came in the evening called for sheep and attended a singing in Eldersville. Day very warm.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 1867.

At Home. Attended Sabbath School in Eldersville in the morning. School voted to have a free exhibition. Tom Smith appointed to raise money to get a new library. Heard Rev. J. B. Lucas preach from Mark. 7:8. Sat. Cl. 24. Partook of sacrament. Lask dinner at Johnathan Wright's. Heard Lucas again in the evening from III Cor. IV:1 of 24. "The drawing of Christ." Very hot.

MONDAY 12

At-Home. Arose before five in the morning and went in quest of Blackberries. Was out near Bethel about two hours and got nearly a patent-bucket full. Repaired fence. Pulled weeds in cane. Father and mother went to Eldersville - Mill to Stubenville. Tramped wheat after supper. Cut a stick and took it to D. The legs to have a shaking-fork made. Day fine. Katy-feds commenced following.

TUESDAY 13

At-Home. Father and I moved the cows and hinds in the morning. I took some wheat to Ryland's Mill and father went to the Smith-shop with Charlie. Good came in the afternoon. Was to have been a singing at John Melvin's but it rained hard from about 4 until 7 o'clock. Spent the evening with Lizzie Wright & others at Arch Geo. Crisp's.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 1867.

At Home. Cut a stick in the morning and made a spout to carry water into the horse trough. Opened some drains across the road in the forenoon. Spent the afternoon hauling out manure. Will. preparing to go to Wayne Co. Ohio. Alex. Walker here in the evening wanting to buy sheep. Day very warm.

THURSDAY 15

At Home. Arose at three O'clock had breakfast and took Will. to Steubenville on horseback. Saw him, James Crip and Aunt Betsey on the cars on their way to West-Salem. Got home between ten and eleven O'clock and hauled manure during the afternoon. Received a long letter from Uncle Geo. Elliott. Day very fine.

FRIDAY 16

At Home. Separated our ewes and lambs in the morning. Had 55 lambs and 59 ewes. Hauled out two loads of manure before dinner. Helped David Sholey to thresh some in the afternoon. Came home about sunset and removed the ewes to a remote part of the farm. Weather very pleasant.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 1867.

At Home. Helped David Sholey to finish threshing in the forenoon. Spent the afternoon cleaning out Bethel Grave Yard. Got through between four and five O'clock. Committee appointed to raise funds to pay a man for keeping the yard clean. Attended a singing in Eldersville in the evening. Weather very fine.

SUNDAY 18

At Home. Attended Sabbath School in Eldersville in the morning. Committee reported \$16.50 collected to purchase a new library. Heard Mr. Nolan preach from Numbers 8:1 of 29th v. Did not attend church in the afternoon. Read some in "Bridal Greetings" Ann Sholey came over in the evening. Weather very warm. Indications of rain.

MONDAY 19

At Home. Arose about four O'clock and brought in the horses. Father started to Washington to court. Went out in the neighborhood of Bethel and gathered some Blackberries. Went to town to get pigeon shot but could not get it done. Took dinner at C. M. Stephenson's. Set out the duck in the evening. Jane Sewell here over night.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, 1867.

At Home. Looked over the farm in the morning to see if the stock was all right. Helped W. P. Cooper to thresh during the day. Threshed 182 bu. Oats, 39 1/2 Wheat, 14 1/2 Rye. Got home about six o'clock, went to town and bought a half dozen of tin cans to put up pears for Father at Washington Mill in Ohio.

WEDNESDAY 21

At Home. Arose about 5 o'clock and went out to see if the stock was all right. Rode over the Steen farm and helped to thresh 38 1/2 bushels Barley, 100 bu. Oats and 8 bu. of wheat. Measured all day. Boarded at Abner Sewth's. Considerable of hard talk concerning the manner in which W. E. Steen treated the threshers about boarding. Two of them with five horses were at W. P. Cooper's over night.

THURSDAY 22

At Home. Arose about five o'clock and went out to see that the horses and sheep were all right. Went to Geo. Boyd's to thresh. Heard from Esq. Smith that Billy McCormell's stolen watch had been found tied to John Steen's stable door. Went to Steubenville on the evening and met Will on his return from West Salina. Day fine & warm.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 1867.

At Home. Arose about five o'clock, brought in the horses, took David Thorley home and went to Geo. Boyd's and helped them to finish threshing. Came home at a check and went to Will Hankins to a road-making job. Carried \$80 from there to Esq. Smith's for gas Hankins. Weather very warm.

SATURDAY 24

John Melvins. Harmon's Creek. Salted the sheep in the morning and found worms in the bucks heads. Went to town for Carbon Oil and turpentine. John Robinson and J. L. Roles were thrown off a horse but not much hurt. James Gillicpie and J. L. Roles fought at Silsbee's Mill. Roles struck him with a piece of rail. Saw Miss Annie Redbeard to Will Hankins after dinner in the evening.

SUNDAY 25

At Home. Took breakfast at John Melvins. Attended Sabbath School in Eldersville in the morning and was appointed one of a committee to purchase the new library. No preaching in town. Spent the afternoon at home. Will went to the Post in the evening. Long Steward came home with father and mother from Middletown.

MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 1867.

At Home. Woke about five O'clock and went to Mr. Steen's to help thresh. Threshed 700 bushels of barley and about forty bushels of oats. Broke two cog out of the piston wheel and John Walker took it to Middleboro. Ate supper. Steen came home about 5 or 6 o'clock where I met some strange ladies. Had a good time. Weather very warm.

TUESDAY 27

At Home. Arrived home from Mr. Hanlin's about three O'clock in the morning to help to thresh. My part in a new piston wheel and only threshed two or three beams until a cog was broken from the pit wheel. Took it to town and got a new cog. Finished threshing after dinner. W. Bushfield and wife and Hannie McAdams here over night. Very warm.

WEDNESDAY 28

At Home. Hauled on a load of manure in the morning then latter and I took some bark to town to see times with And Will commenced plowing. I attended a road making frolic at Will Hanlin's in the afternoon and singing at John Melrose's night. At a late hour company dispersed and I accompanied Miss Helen Hanlin to her brother Will's. Talked about an hour on the porch. Weather very warm.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, 1867.

At Home. Got home from Will Hanlin's about two O'clock in the morning and slept until six. Scattered manure in the forenoon. Plowed until supper time then took a broken point to town to get a socket but failed. Came home past David Abbley's. Got home about nine O'clock. Some appearance of rain.

FRIDAY 30

At Home. Spent the day plowing for wheat. Run two teams. Latter went to Sturbeville with buggy for plow points. Wind blowing made it quite comfortable for the horses to work. Wrote a letter to Mont. I was in the evening. Jimmy Riley here and bed time.

SATURDAY 31

At Home. When we were about sitting down to breakfast Cassidy's boys came with the machine. Threshed wheat and oats until half past eleven O'clock. I went with them in the afternoon and helped to take the machine home. Went to Bridgewater in the evening to see if they would go to Camp meeting. J. Miller and wife, and C. M. Stephenson and wife here over night.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1867.

At Home. Attended Sabbath School in Eldersville in the morning. Very few there on account of the rain.

Heard Rev. Mr. Carter preach from Prov. IV & 26. Took dinner at C. M. Stephenson's with J. P. Miller and wife. Heard Carter in the evening again from Genesis XIII & 12. Will. went to Hickory Hollow & hear Rev. Mr. Campbell.

MONDAY 2

At Home. Will brought the horses in the morning before breakfast and we plowed until three P. M. with two teams when we finished plowing at home. Mary Raybuck came at noon to make arrangements for boarding. Cleaned up some wheat in the evening and prepared for going to mill. Cleaned our seed wheat also. Day fine.

TUESDAY 3

At Home. Will brought in and harnessed the horses before breakfast. Finished cleaning up wheat and Will took some to the mill. Mended some racks before dinner. Sowed the knob field after dinner and run three harrows. Sammy Thorley helping us. Reck. Crisp and Minerva with Ally Paul boys at Aunt Sally's. Day very fine.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1867.

At Home. Finished harrowing at home in the morning and went to Mr. Steen's with three teams and commenced plowing a field there. Had David Thorley's team. Sammy was not able to plow and father managed his team. Got nearly half done. Day very warm. Received an invitation to a singing at Johnathan Wright's.

THURSDAY 5

At Home. Arose very early and brought in the horses and harnessed them for breakfast. Run three teams at Mr. Steen's plowing. Finished about half past four o'clock. Went to town in the evening and from thence to Johnathan Wright's to a singing. Got home about midnight. Day fine.

FRIDAY 6

C. M. Stephenson's. Harnessed the horses early in the morning and went to Mr. Steen's to sow wheat. Went to Alex. Smith's in the forenoon for seed. Finished sowing at noon and finished harrowing about half past three. Started to go to Alex. Hanlin's but rec'd a note from Helen and did not go. Stopped at Stephenson's

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1867.

At Home. Took breakfast at C. M. Stephenson's. Got home about half past nine o'clock. Found that father had been very sick. Mended my boots and went to David Shuley and helped to fix up the buggy to go to Middletown. Attended singing in Eldersville at night. Will went to Johnathan Wrights. Day fine.

SUNDAY 8

At Home. Arose at five. Got ready and went to Middletown with D. Thorley's in the buggy to Quarterly meeting. Heard Rev. Carter preach from II Cor. XII 26. Took dinner at C. Cunningham's. Attended Souper in the evening and then came home. Rolt Cooper and Lyd. here when we came home.

MONDAY 9

A. Handlin's. Cut some storewood in the morning and then worked on the coal-road and cleaned off the track at the coalbank. Did work at support time and went to Mr. Applin's, where Helen and I agreed upon the 7th of November as our wedding day. Spent the evening and night very pleasantly. George gone to Missouri. Day fine.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1867.

At Home. Got home from A. Handlin's about three o'clock. Rained a little on me as I came home. Slept until after six. Went to town for the wagon. Hauled in logs in the afternoon to build a coal and wood house. Mr. Cyrus Fisher was with us over night. He was selling rights to prevent frost and insects from killing fruit. Very cool.

WEDNESDAY 11

At Home. Spent the forenoon listening to Mr. Cyrus P. Fisher talking about his inventions. After dinner we hired a mill for an new coal-house. I had my eye latched by had a new one put in. Lizzie Wright and I went to David Thorley's and spent the evening. Got home about ten o'clock. Day fine. Frost in the morning.

THURSDAY 12

At Home. Rose early and scored in saw on some timber before breakfast. Hook the horse and buggy and started to Eldersville to meet mother but did not go all the way. We hewed 100 feet of timber during the day. Uncle M. McKeever and Aunt Jane and A. C. McKeever and wife here over night. Day fine.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1867.

At-Home. U.C. McKeever & wife and his father and mother left between seven and eight o'clock in the morning. Hewed timber until about one in the afternoon, then brought down some apples and went to Eldersville to hear Mr. Blair sing. John Walker came home with us & Philander Wright came after he to attend a law suit at Day Stewart's.

SATURDAY 14

At-Home. When slopping the logs in the morning I noticed that one of the cows was milking. Found her in the barnyard with ten little pigs. Went to David Charley's for a coal-pick. Cleared out the mouth of the bank in the forenoon and dug 21 bushels of coal after dinner and banked it up. Went to town in the evening with Lizzie Wright. Got home about ten o'clock. Day fine.

SUNDAY 15

At-Home. After doing up the morning work I walked to Eldersville to Sabbath-School. Heard Mr. Polen preach from Mat. 13: 30. Came home past Mr. Steen's pear trees and filled my pockets with pears. Went with Lizzie Wright to Mr. Rhines in the evening and came home about nine o'clock. Day fine.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1867.

At-Home. Put the tops on some hay-stacks in the morning, then harnessed the horses and hauled in some timbers for the coal-house. Sleaved in in the afternoon. Went to town in the evening and gave my measure to have my wedding-suit made. Helped Lizzie Wright to practice reading her selection for the exhibition. Day warm with appearance of rain.

TUESDAY 17

At-Home. Rose early and went to Mr. Boles' and helped to thresh wheat all day. Fed some. Came home intending to go to Thompson's Creek singing, but Champ was acting the fool, running and snuggled beneath and I did not go. Lizzie and Will went. Wrote a letter to Lib. Hamilton.

WEDNESDAY 18

John Melons. Harmon's Creek. Went to Mr. Boles' in the morning and helped them finish threshing wheat in the barn, moved the machine and threshed oats at John Sashley's. Went to town in the evening to rehearsal. Heard a few pieces. Went to John Melon's and from there Susanah & Susanna & Will. Harpini. Helen & Annie Basharer included. Susanah & Annie went to see Helen & me but failed. Good like on them. Weather very calm.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1867.

At Home. Arose at John Melroy's about six o'clock and came home before breakfast. Tore down the old coal house and dug out part of the foundation for the new one. John brought Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Isles from the station in the evening. Mrs. Busley, Geo. B. and wife and D. Sherley and wife here. David framing coal house.

FRIDAY 20

At Home. Worked on the road from Mr. Cassidy's barn to the foot of Laurel Hill. Francis Cunningham's team did the plowing. Went to Eldersville in the evening for the mail. Attended a singing at Linton, Ind. Executed Miss Mary Jane Lanthier some S. P. Boles came with Lizzie Wright against her will. Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Isles here. Quite warm.

SATURDAY 21

At Home. Spent the day digging out the foundation of the new coal house. Champ and Jimmie refused to pull in the morning. S. P. Boles called here on his way to town. Number of boys out squirrel hunting. Went to town in the evening to attend a singing. Very few there. Father went to station for Mrs. Adams' trunk.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1867.

At Home. Lizzie Wright and I went to Sabbath School in the buggy. Heard Rev. Mr. Stillwagon preach from the XIX Psalm and part of 7th verse. Preached a very good sermon. Singing at three o'clock. Not very many out. Will attended church at the Chapel and at the Tent in the evening. Mrs. Isles and Mrs. Adams here. ^{Very dry weather.}

MONDAY 23

At Home. Harrowed the horses in the morning. Hauled out two or three sled loads of clay from the foundation of the coal house then hauled stone the remainder of the day on the wagon. Hauled mostly from the old spring house. Rode Uncle McKee's mare to town in the evening. Weather fine but dry.

TUESDAY 24

At Home. Spent most of the day hauling stone for the foundation of the coal house. After supper I went to town to rehearsal but there was minor account of the slow attendance. Went to a singing at John Melroy's. Talks from the other side of the creek did not turn out. Had no word they were coming. Encountered at Will Hamlin's young daughter there.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1867.

At Home. Harniped the horses in the morning ^{3d} father ^{and} I hauled a load of stone while Will went to town and got the pick and hammer sharpened. Hauled down some timbers from the old house for sleepers. Spent the afternoon helping with the wall. I shaved ^{and} had my hair cut in the evening. Will ^{and} I went to town.

THURSDAY 26

J. M. Cook's Pittsburgh Pa. Arose at four O'clock, got ready and went to Eldersville with Mr. Cassidy in the wagon. Went on morning train to Pittsburgh. Rolt, Osburn and I bought library for Eldersville Sabbath School. Visited State Fair. Very disorderly fair. ^{Saw the Spanish Praying} Went to Mr. Cooks in the evening and spent the night there. Met Miss Kate Kuhn my unknown correspondent. Had a pleasant time.

FRIDAY 27

C. M. Stephenson's. Took breakfast at Mrs. Cook's in Pittsburgh. Visited the State Fair and had a good chance to look about as the crowd was not large. Took dinner on fair ground. Met with Miss Helen Hanlin ^{and} came in company with her on cars. Spent the night at C. M. Stephenson's. Met with Miss ^{and} Samantha Cassidy in Pittsburgh and formed a acquaintance. Weather fine. No storm.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1867.

At Home. Took breakfast at C. M. Stephenson's. Came home. Changed clothes and went to work on roads. Spent day working on Bethel hill opening new road. Did not get through. Lizzie Wright and Willie went to town in the evening. Rev. Mr. Carter came in the evening. Father went to see Mr. Steud ^{and} found him badly hurt. SUNDAY 29

At Home. Attended Sabbath School in the morning and did not have any class exercises but listened to remarks from Reverends Stillwagon and Carter. Took dinner at C. M. Stephenson's. Heard Stillwagon preach in the afternoon at 3 1/2 O'clock. Carter in the forenoon and Pentize at night. Cloudy ^{and} very cool.

MONDAY 30

C. Hanlin's. Arose at five O'clock, bought in a horse, helped Will to put a top on a hay stack, went to town with a measure of the distance between the eyes of the buggy tongue. Helped to finish marking the new road on Bethel hill. Went to town ^{and} found that C. Miles had done nothing to buggy tongue. Went to C. Hanlin's where I met Scott Hanlin ^{and} left before

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1867.

At Home. Got home from Mr. Hartins about three O'clock. Slept until six. Broke in the horses and went to David Thorley's where I spent most of the day plowing stalk ground. Will and I hauled a load of pumpkins in the evening and then went to town. Got home about nine O'clock. Day quite cool.

WEDNESDAY 2

At Home. Arose at four O'clock got ready and went to the Burgettstown fair in the wagon with D. Thorley's family and Lizzie Wright. Fair pretty good. Met with quite a number of old acquaintances. Very dusty. Threatened rain some in the evening. Heard from J. H. Tompkins that Mr. D. Devire was married and gone to Missouri.

THURSDAY 3

At Home. Arose about five O'clock and kindled a fire. Brought in the horses and went to David Thorley's and plowed until dinner time. Will went to town for some bath. Moved the smoke house at evening to finish scattering the coal house. Plowed until supper time then went to town to the rehearsal. A few out rained some in the evening.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1867.

At Home. Brought in two horses in the morning and harnessed them. Helped carry some water to soak some shingles in. Will helped Caridig to thresh and I plowed for David Thorley while he was roofing our coal house. Went to town in the evening and attended Terrell Ward's spelling. Got home after ten O'clock. Some appearance of rain.

SATURDAY 5

At Home. Brought in the horses in the morning and went to D. Thorley's where I plowed until dinner time. After dinner we sowed and harrowed. After supper we placed our smoke house on the foundation. Hauled a load of coal for R. Kline after sunset. Rained some during the day.

SUNDAY 6

At Home. Arose about six O'clock. Walter went to Middletown. Attended Sabbath School in Eldersville. Rev. Mr. Kuttige there heard Rev. Stillwagon preach from the XXIII Psalm 24th verse. Took dinner at Mrs. Poyas and came home about half past eight O'clock. Evening very cool.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1867.

At Harbin's. Harnessed the horses in the morning - took a load of pumpkins to Mr. Klinis and hauled two loads home. Put on the wagon ladders and hauled a load of hay for C. Roles from ~~Mr~~ Mc Connells. Went to Mr. Harbin's in the evening. Had a good time. Left there twenty minutes before twelve O'Clock. Weather cool.

TUESDAY 8

At Home. Got home from Mr. Harbin's about one O'clock. Arose between five and six and went with father to Eldersville to the election where I clerked. Election passed off very well. Some few votes challenged but all taken except Lee Martins. Got home about twelve O'clock. Great many men drunk in town. Day fine.

WEDNESDAY 9

At Home. Harnessed the horses in the morning, rigged up the cane mill and ground two pan fulls of sorghum juice. The turn out was not good. Rilled one pan full and had about nine gallons of good molasses. Went to town in the evening and tried on my new coat. Had nicely. Gave my folks at aunt Sally's until they packed some during the day.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1867.

At Home.

Harnessed the horses in the morning. Ground cane until dinner time. Hauled three loads of pumpkins in the afternoon and then ground another pan full of sorghum. Father attended the pen and took off two goes. Wrote a letter to Annie & Elliot and one to J. W. McKeever.

FRIDAY 11

At Home. Rose early and helped to put on the molasses. Spent the day until three O'clock grinding cane. Then went to Ferris and put forty bushels of sand in the wagon and hauled it to town for C. Roles. Ella & Jennie McKeever & Miss Dunbar here when I came home. Had a good time. Lick fodder here over night. Rained some during the day.

SATURDAY 12

At Home. Helped father to put on a gran of molasses in the morning then hitched up the horses and finished grinding sorghum. Took a load of pumpkins to Mr. Klinis in the afternoon and a load of sand to town for Cornelius Roles. Got home about dark. Will. went to Robt Coopers to spend the night. Cloudy.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1867.

At Home. Was raining in the morning when I awoke and I was in no hurry. Attended Sabbath School. Pretty good turnout of scholars not many teachers. Concluded not to have an exhibition. Heard Mr. Helen preach from II John 10. At 9 o'clock dinner at John Melvin's. Heard Stillman in the evening from Mat. V 20 David Leslie and Ann here in the evening. Evening fine.

MONDAY 14

At Home. Harrowed the team in the morning and hauled in a load of pumpkins went to town and had some blacksmithing done. Went to John Melvin's. Helped him cut his cane and brought a four horse load home with me. When I came home I found Uncle James and Aunt Philena here. Weather very fine. Had some peaches canned at John's.

TUESDAY 15

At Home. Brought in the morning and harrowed them. Father and mother went with Uncle James and Aunt Philena to Stephenson's and Cook's, and to D. Shirley's until bed time. Will and I hauled a load of pumpkins in the forenoon and cleared up the yard and leveled it some. Hauled a load of coal and a load of hay to some. Day very fine.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1867.

At Home. Spent most of the forenoon wheeling out dirt from the front of the Coal house. Two of our locks broke in with a lot of ice hills and I got them out. Uncle James and Aunt Philena started home after early dinner. Helped John to grind his cane. Boiled it in and took it home with him. Went to C. W. Stephenson's until bed time.

THURSDAY 17

At Home. Was roused at five in the morning by Cornelius holes knocking in the door. Hauled two barrels of lime to town for him and hauled 5000 lbs of lime from the station. Made two loads. Got home about two o'clock without my dinner. Brought over new buggy to some home with me. Was very well pleased with it. Made Mattie and Aunt Jane McKeever here over night.

FRIDAY 18

At Home. (Evening at A. Hamilton's) Brought in the horses in the morning and harrowed. Got my Jennie and took some grinding to Richard's Mill. Did not get it home with. Left the wagon. Mr. Philips along. Repaired my trunk some. Went to town and got at five put on Jennie. Went to A. Hamilton's and to sea. Helen went home. At King's. Left town about eight o'clock with John Hamilton. Stopped at home.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1867.

At Home. Spent the day paving in front of our new coal house and making a gravel walk. Hauled a load of coal ashes from the school house and a load of gravel from the run. Will went to mill in the afternoon and took Lizzie Wright to town in the evening. I went to David Sharley and stayed until bed time. Weather fine and warm.

SUNDAY 20

At Home. Brought in the horses in the morning and walked to Sabbath School. School very full. Heard Rev. Stillwagon preach from ~~the~~ ^{the} Psalm part of 4th verse: Brought down will from Henry Cooper and prepared the lamps in the Wesleyan Church for lighting. Heard Rev. Greenham preach in the evening from Jonah 1st 10. Very warm.

MONDAY 21

At Home. Got Albert Sharley to come over in the morning and go down into our cistern and clean it out. Gave him 20 cts. After dinner I took the team and hauled four loads of coal for J. R. Kline. Old Gal stalled four times with me. Got home after sunset ate supper and went to A. Hanlin's. Spent the evening pleasantly with Mrs. Allen and so the 14th of November was a happy day.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1867.

At Home. Got home from Mr. Winters a little after three o'clock. I left until after six. Will and I swept the leaves off the yard. Worked at repairing the coal scaffold the remainder of the day. Made our scaffold about 30 feet long. Will went to Will. Humphreys and I brought Mother and Mary Jane Lyder home with Liza in the wagon. Rained some during afternoon.

WEDNESDAY 23

At Home. Harnessed one of the horses in the morning and went to the coal bank where we spent the day repairing the road. Made a culvert over the hollow. Will & Tom went in the evening to see about their coal. Went to Eldersville in the evening and attended Prayer meeting. Over thirty present there. Brought my wedding party back home with me. Day 14th.

THURSDAY 24

At Home. Chopped some wood in the morning before breakfast. Spent the day laying track in the coal bank and did not get through. Mary & Stephen brought about 1000 pounds in the buggy and stayed until three o'clock. Put leathers on the neck yoke of our breeching at eight. Worked until near midnight. Weather fine. Day.

At Home. **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1867.**

Brought in the horses in the morning and harneped them. Hauled two loads of lime of 50 bushels each to Corneilus Belle. Hauled a load of chips in the evening. Took two wheels of the spring wagon to David Sholey's and mended the buggy harnep some. Will and Mary Kaylock attended a wedding at John McCallans. Was looking at Mrs. Steens.

SATURDAY 26

Harneped Champ and Jimmie in the morning and put them to the buggy and took Lizzie Wright to Steubenville. Took dinner at John Keays. Bought myself a hat, two pairs of boots, pair of gloves and neck tie for my wedding suit. Got home about dark and went to C. M. Stephenson's where I spent the night. Weather fine and dry.

SUNDAY 27

At Home. Took breakfast at C. M. Stephenson's. Attended Church in Allersville. Heard Rev. Carter preach from General epistle of James 1:25. Took dinner at home. With help went to Middletown in the buggy. Visited Mr. McKee's to my wedding, Jimmie & Helen and took bushels to my father. Heard Rev. Carter preach from 1 Peter 1:17. Got home a little before 10 o'clock. Quarterly meeting at B. that

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1867.

At Home. Watered and fed the horses in the morning. Took some plank to the coal bank for wheeling-track. Went to David Sholey's and got some mining tools. Spent the day opening drain and preparing the bank for digging. Will dug all day for Mr. Steen. Mended my coarse boots at night. Got through about 10 1/2 o'clock. Will work in the bank until bed time. Rained all day.

TUESDAY 29

A. Hamlin's. Went to David Sholey's in the morning to see the spring wagon which he was fixing for me. Spent the day in the coal bank and only got out 28 bushels. Left at three o'clock, washed myself, changed my clothes and went to Mr. Hamlin's. Spent the evening very pleasantly with Helen. Ticked her father for her and received as a reply "I have no objection, I allow the young folks to do as they please in their matters." Wet weather.

WEDNESDAY 30

At Home. Got home from A. Hamlin's about three o'clock. Father read a letter in the morning from Iowa stating that John Hamlin's youngest son was dead. Took a letter to D. Thorsley, Day coal mark all day and only got out 28 bushels. Will got out 56. Will Steen hauled away one horse load. Father hauled three small loads home. Mother and Mary J. Lindsey visited at Bill McCreedy's. Annied some in the evening.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1867.

At Home. Cleaned up the barn in the morning and hauled the old corn from the crib and put it in there to shell it. Hauled a load of coal to town in the afternoon for C. Boles and took the buggy tongue to have it changed. Took the spring wagon to have it ironed. Got home after dark. Spent the evening at home. Weather somewhat cloudy and cool.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1

At Home. Attended to the horses in the morning and let Mr. Philips have one to take to mill. Husked corn until near two o'clock then hauled in about 75 bushels and hauled up two small loads of coal. Went to Robt. P. Coopers in the evening and stayed until bed-time. James Riley here in the evening. Will Kline husking corn.

SATURDAY 2

At Home. Harnessed the horses in the morning and went to Billy McConnel and hauled a load of hay to town for Cornelius Boles. Got home between one and two o'clock. Hauled in a load of a piece of corn. Went to Mr. Coons in the evening for help to husk corn. Went to John Melvin's and spent the night there. Weather fine

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1867.

At Home. Took breakfast at John Melvin's. Attended Sabbath School in the morning. Heard Rev. Mr. Stettwagen preach a Sabbath School sermon from Lev. 29: "29". Good sermon. \$10.55 raised to purchase prices. Took dinner at home. Mr. Davis here to see Mary Jane Lindsey. Spent the afternoon at David Boles's and the evening at home. Rev. Mr. Stockton preached in Elderfield in the evening. Weather cool.

MONDAY 4

At Home. ~~Spent~~ Was late when we had our breakfast. When I went to the corn field, Will Kline and Ed. were there husking. We put 100 bushels of ears in the crib before night. Got ready and went to Mr. Hawkins after supper. Spent the evening very pleasantly with the family. No strangers there. Boys at Morrison's until bed-time. Night very cool.

TUESDAY 5

At Home. Got home from Mr. Hawkins about three o'clock. Spent until near even. Husked corn during the forenoon and hauled it in the afternoon. Put in 100 bushels of ears. Kline's boys helping us. Went to David Boles's in the evening and stayed until bed-time. Brought a turkey home with me. Evening very clear and frosty. Husking going on at John Melvin's.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1867.

At Home. Arose early and ate breakfast by lamp-light. Klin's boys and Thorley's boys helped us to husk corn. Put in 150 bushels of ears. Went to town in the evening and attended prayer meeting after which I paid John Cooper \$2.00 for my wedding suit and brought my overcoat home. Heard that Pat Walker and Mrs. Robertson were married. Had both can attending the release of a girl.

THURSDAY 7

At Home. Father and mother went to Stebensville in the wagon and brought Lizzie Wright home with them. Spent most of the forenoon so peeling chips and cleaning up the big yard. Spent the afternoon finishing up that job and separating some sheep. Went to town in the evening after writing an invitation to Uncle Henry to attend my infire. Weather very fine.

FRIDAY 8

At Home. Arose early, harnessed the horses and took the wagon to the cornfield. Spent the day hauling corn. Finished husking corn. Crop about 600 bushels of ears. Klin's boys and Thorley's boys helping us. Went to D. Thorley's in the evening. Saw the 3 young folks at Aunt Sally's until bed-time. Weather fine.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1867.

C. M. Stephenson's. Mixed some mortar in the forenoon for father to reset the kitchen grate. Went to town to get our buggy tongue and found that it was not fixed. Went to Stephenson and took dinner. Came home, shaved and dropped myself 'til was back to Stephenson's where I spent the night. Spurred Nancy Hancock's hair for her. Weather very fine.

SUNDAY 10

At Home. Took breakfast at C. M. Stephenson's. Opened the Wesleyan church and kindled a fire. Attended Sabbath school. Heard Nolan preach from Luke 14:18. Took dinner at Mrs. McCluer's. Heard Reverend Stillwagon preach from Malachi 4:2. Took tea at K. P. Cooper's. Father and mother went to Mr. Bushfield's in the evening. Weather fine.

MONDAY 11

A. Hamilton's. Arose before day light, harnessed the horses and went to town. Had a check book on hand. Went to Mr. Jack Johnson's and brought our machine home. Snowed on us in the afternoon. Took dinner at Mr. Johnson's. Went to Mr. Hamilton's in the evening. Met John Scott there. He was helping them husk corn. Spent the evening very pleasantly. Night cold.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1867.

At Home. Got home from Mr. Hardens a little before three o'clock and slept until seven. Went to Mrs. Pognos to get some butter and sugar. Laid here nearly all day helping Mary G. Lindsay to bake for our infare. Spent most of the day repairing buggy harness. Got there between ten and eleven o'clock. Rolt Cooper and Laid here until bed-time. Weather cold and quiet.

WEDNESDAY 13

At Home. Fed the horses and watered them in the morning. Hitched the young team to the buggy and Will went to Middletown for Mary E. McKewen. Went to Coopers got his buggy and washed it. Cleaned off the yard in the afternoon. Rather and another went to Beechfield in the wagon. Went to Johns, borrowed his mare, attended prayer meeting and brought Mr. Stephens' buggy home with me. Got home about ten o'clock. Night cool and quiet.

THURSDAY 14

At Home. Spent the forenoon cleaning up the yard and preparing stables for extra horses. Took dinner about eleven o'clock and prepared to attend my wedding. James McCuen came along as my sister, he with Mr. E. McKewen and my brother Will. joined my company. Were married at 3 o'clock P.M. by Rev. G. Jones in presence of many friends. An exceedingly pleasant interview. The person scared but the minister Miss Lou Wright was brides maid. Day very fine. Retired about 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1867.

At Home. Arose about seven o'clock at A. H. Hardens and took breakfast about nine o'clock. Company started about eleven o'clock by way of Florence to W. Barrett's home. Had a pleasant trip. Arrived about 2 1/2 o'clock. Friends received us well. Uncle Henry Nelson and Wm. H. H. Knapp evening the evening guests. Miss Lou Wright and James McCuen did not seem to enjoy each others society and caused some unpleasant feelings. The only thing apparent which marred the pleasure of the occasion. Weather very fine but cool.

SATURDAY 16

At Home. Arose about seven o'clock and spent an hour or so evening and watering horses. Miss Lou Wright being quite small the horse's company did not get started home as soon as they anticipated. James McCuen very much displeasid with the treatment he received from Miss Wright. Went to Mrs. Pognos and took dinner with father, mother, Grand William Harley and others. Took supper at David's with a number of friends. Spent the evening there very pleasant. Retired home about eleven o'clock. Uncle Henry still enjoying himself well. Weather fine but cool.

SUNDAY 17

At Home. Arose about 7 o'clock. Got ready and went to Eldersville at church. Got there while they were singing the 8th hymn. Heard Rev. Stillwagon preach from Mat. 18:14. Took dinner at Mr. Stephens' with Mr. Cooper and Laid. Mr. E. McKewen Will Nelson. T. D. J. Stephens. Went to Lattin's about seven o'clock and spent the evening very quiet and pleasantly with the family of Miss Lou Wright. Weather very fine.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1867.

At Home. Took breakfast at father's
Hawkins and intended to have gone to the
Chapel to church but appearance of rain
prevented. Stewart & I attended Sabbath School
in Eldersville. Heard Mr. Carter preach from
I John III:14. Went back to father Hawkins in
evening. Uncle Henry brought Aunt Ann home. Themed
off during day and was very pleasant.

MONDAY 25

At Home. Rose about six o'clock. Father
had the fire kindled for butchering. Killed
five hogs and had them cleaned before dinner. Put
them up in the afternoon. Old cow weighed 400
lbs. John Neil helped us in Robt Cooper's place.
Put up 36 lbs of pork in view of going to horse-
keeping. Helen here helping with butchering. Got and
seasoned the sausage after night. Rained some
in the afternoon.

TUESDAY 26

A. Hawkins. Took breakfast at home. Helen &
I went to Aunt Sally's house and made some arrange-
ments about David Thorley about making
as a cupboard. Kline commenced building a
chimney for Aunt Sally's new kitchen over former
bed-room. Hauled a load of stone for that purpose.
About four o'clock Helen & I started on horseback
and went to her father's where we spent the night over.
Recently they had been butchering Day five or six.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1867.

At Home. Took breakfast at father Hawkins
and brought Maggie to school on horse back
as I came home. Got home between ten
and eleven o'clock. Attended J. R. Kline while he
was finishing Aunt Sally's chimney and setting
up. Rained some of Aunt Sally's & Aunt Ann's
things out of the lower house. Put thirator in
what was killed in my bed-room. Home all out of
order. Rained in the afternoon & evening.

THURSDAY 28

At Home. Went to David Thorley's in the
morning and got the trunk. Went to Robt
Cooper's & borrowed 100 dollars to buy stone &c.
for horse keeping. Went to Eldersville in the
afternoon & had Mr. Stewart to do some
plastering in the Wesleyan Church. Went to
bed at night expecting to attend Prayer meeting
but there was none. Called to see Sam Bassett & found
he was bad with Sally's fever. Father & Mother
& A. Hawkins. Spent most of the forenoon
cleaning up Aunt Sally's morning and fixing
the lock on the stair door in the 2d house.
Killed & put up some chickens in the cellar
in the afternoon & in the evening. Rained
myself and went to Brother Hawkins's barn
very hard on me on the way. Themed cold and
sore throat after night. Spent the night at
home.

FRIDAY 29

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 30, 1867.

At Home. Took breakfast at Father's house. Stopped at Station and came home bare about one stone. Left Sabbath School. Fizz Wood with Israel Wright in Eldersville. Spent some around the spinning of our looms. Attended church in Eldersville & heard Kinley from Ep. VXXII & 23. Went to Mrs. Cassidy's to bid adieu with. W. soon but found plenty of work left. I came home again. Got some trifling to do.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

At Home. Attended church at 10 o'clock. Spent some with my wife and heard Dr. Kinley preach on the Resurrection from Acts XVII & 8. Spent the evening at home. Went to see Miss Mat. Crisp in the evening and found her very low with a feverish touch. Got back to Father's house about 1 o'clock. Weather very good.

MONDAY 2

At Home. Took breakfast at Father's house. Took a walk to the depot. He went to the mill and bought a cooking stove for \$30.00. Bought some books for the Sabbath School. Visited at Uncle Robert's and took dinner. Got back on the evening train and was met at depot by Steve and his wife. Spent the evening at home.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1867.

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THURSDAY 5

At Home. After doing the feeding in the morning I kindled a fire in the house below the road. Helped David Shorley to butcher. Came home shortly after dinner. Started to town in the evening, met father coming home. He picked up team and took 50 bushels of coal to town for C. Koles. Went to the station to bring my stove home. It was at 11 o'clock. Spent the evening at home.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1867.

At Home. Harnessed Cbr. Stephenson's team for him in the morning; After he and Mary started some father and I harnessed our team and hauled our fodder. Spent the afternoon hauling some up stairs in the lower louse. Attended church in Eldersville and heard Rev. Stillwagon preach from Isaiah 40: 1-6. Rained some during day very windy in evening. Lgd here in the afternoon.

SATURDAY 7

At Home. After doing the feeding in the morning I mixed up some lime mortar and spent the forenoon hauling our louse up stairs. In the afternoon I got ready and went in the buggy to father Hamlin's. Took his clock with me. Brought Helen home with me after night. Got home about ten o'clock. Weather quite cold.

SUNDAY 8

S. J. Nolan's. Got ready in the morning and Helen and I went to Middletown in the buggy to the dedication of the new church. Heard Rev. Crooks preach from Bech. IV 8: 7. Took dinner at R. McKewen's. Attended service in afternoon. Heard Lyle preach from Isaiah 40: 1-11. Sacrament administered. Heard Crooks again at night from Acts XXVII 1-28. Spent the night at Nolan's.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1867.

Wm. Cassidy's. Took breakfast at Nolan's. Attended Lovefeast meeting in Wesleyan Church W. Middletown. Took dinner at G. Stewart's. Got home about four o'clock. Will. 3rd Lizzie Wright went to church in the buggy to Eldersville in the evening. Went to Wm. Cassidy's after night and sat up watching with Mary Jane who was very low in the afternoon.

TUESDAY 10

At Home. Got home from Wm. Cassidy's about four o'clock and slept until near noon. Mary Jane not expected to live. Moved into our new home and spent most of the day fixing up. Father Hamlin brought Helen's mourning over. Geo. Boyd called in to see us in the evening. Snowed some.

WEDNESDAY 11

At Home. Spent the forenoon fixing up Communion in the louse. Afternoon took the horsepower of the threshing machine to town to get the lay shaft lengthened. At night we went to church on the sled. Did not get there in time to hear text but learned that it was in Gen. III 1-9. Snowing when we came home.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1867.

At Home. Arose a little after five o'clock, helped do the feeding, went to John Melvin's and he and I went to town. Took the horsepower of the threshing machine apart & had the lay shaft lengthened. Got home about half past four o'clock. Helped do the feeding. Rained Helen's shoe after dark.

Mary Jane Cassidy died in the afternoon. Very stormy day throughout.

FRIDAY 13

At Home. Arose at five o'clock. Will came home from Cassidy's and ate breakfast with us. He having to help dig a grave for Mary J. Cassidy, left me all the feeding to do.

John came to help us to thresh some but we postponed on account of the funeral. Helen & I went to funeral in night and also to Church at Eldersville at night. Died in night. J. H. Sampson's grave about a foot deep.

SATURDAY 14

At Home. Arose at five o'clock helped do some of the feeding, harnessed the horse and went to town and brought the horsepower of the machine home. Set up the machine and threshed about ten bushels of wheat in the afternoon. No help but John Melvin and Sholey's boys. Lizzie King with her horse went to town in the night to Church. There was no help to her. It was a stormy day.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1867.

At Home. Arose at five o'clock went did most of the feeding till late noon. Attended Sabbath School in afternoon. Not very many out. Late gathering. Heard Rev. Stillwagon preach from Heb. VII 25-28. Congregation was full. Did not attend Church in the evening. Aunt Ann took tea with us for the first time. Snow deep. Sleight good.

MONDAY 16

At Home. After doing the feeding in the morning I spent most of the forenoon going up the spring house to keep the water from freezing. After dinner I took Champ and Jennie out David's old dog went to Gillespie's mill and brought 150 feet of dry lumber for cupboards. Helen and I went to Sister Hanlin's in the night and stayed until ten o'clock. Sleight very fine. Not very cold.

TUESDAY 17

At Home. Hauled a barrel of water from the run in the morning for wash water. Went to the coal bank in the afternoon made a bearing in and took out fourteen bushels of coal. Will spent the day until four o'clock and took out thirty five bushels. Shingled creek. W. Sholey's fair after night. Rained some during day. Snow melted some.