

David Bergey Diary - 1900.

DAVID E. BERGEY, 1845-1932
Mannheim, Ontario
Diary Selection, February, May, August, November, 1900
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Introduction

David E. Bergey was born on July 3, 1845, the oldest of 10 children, some 23 years after the family of his father, Jacob Bergey, immigrated from Pennsylvania. It is not known when his mother Elisabeth Wagner or her parents came to Canada. In 1849 Davids family purchased a farm in Wilmot Township near Mannheim. In 1866, at the age of 21, David was granted a Teachers certificate by the Waterloo County Board of Public Instruction. He taught at the Pinehill SS #7, Wilmot from 1866, 69. In 1869 he studied at the Normal School, Toronto. From 1869 78 he served as principal of the two room Waterloo Central School. In 1872, at the age of 27, he married Louisa Bowman (also 27), the eldest child of preacher/farmer Moses S. [see diary above] and Anna (Cressman) Bowman. David and Louisa lived in a large white brick house on King St., in the town of Waterloo, until 1878. Then they moved onto an 82 acre farm they purchased near Mannheim, Ontario. It was located only two miles away from both sets of parents and next door to Louisas sister, Susannah (married to Menno M. Shantz). David then accepted a principalship at the two room school in the village of New Dundee. On 1 February 1900 in this diary selection David purchased a second farm of 100 acres from his brother-in-law, Menno M. Shantz, and retired from teaching. Clearly, David was fortunate, for at this time several of his neighbours, like Ezra C. Bowman, whom he gives school money in February relocate to Alberta.

As the diary indicates Davids four sons Gilbert, Milton, Ezra, and Herbert did most of the work on these farms. One reason may be that in 1900 Louisa established a cheese operation, having learnt the trade from her father, but nevertheless was also assisted by her husband David who accompanies her to Berlin to sell cheese. In addition the Bergeys had a hired in Henry Eckstein. There is less mention of the girls Amelia does not seem to live at home although she loans her father money to help purchase the farm; Eva does seem to work at home, despite a trip that she takes this year to Moosimin in Prairie Canada, Ida is at home some times, but an exam entrance fee suggests that she was studying.

Women on the Bergey farm are not typical Victorian women, however; Louisa plays a central role on the farm and David often picks up chicken feed "for wife", sometimes charging it to her on a separate account; he also borrows money from her. And her borrows money from his daughters as well as other women, including Amelia (Davids oldest daughter), Misses Zeller, Lydia Bergey (Davids younger 38 year,,old unmarried sister), Mannesah Hallman, Anna Bowman, Amelia the Bergeys began selling cheese wholesale in large quantities to local stores and a firm in Toronto. In 1911 they added it to the list of produce they sold at the Farmers Market in Galt. Bergeys cheese was retailed at the Galt Farmers Market on Saturday mornings from June 17, 1911 to

December 31, 1988. Moreover, David, although active in the community, helps with the on March 28.

The diary outlines the social bounds of the Bergeys household. The heterogeneity of Waterloo County is exhibited by the fact that William Trussler, a Sussex, England, immigrant who owns a travelling steam-powered sawmill is contracted to cut wood in February; in the same month the Bergeys do business at the mill of Elias Snider in St. Jacobs; Snider reportedly did not belong to a Mennonite church, despite the fact that his father was a leading conservative Mennonite minister. Then, too, the male Bergeys over 21 vote in the Dominion Election in November. But tea is usually taken at homes that are affiliated with the Mannheim church; Moses C. Bowman who David and Louisa visit in February is a minister in this church. And E.S., or Eli, Hallman, at whose house David has dinner in May, not only ran a dry goods store, but was a Mennonite preacher at Berlin Mennonite Church. Then, too, there is a vibrant local economy exhibited in the purchase of eggs of Isaac Cressman, Davids neighbour at the new farm near New Dundee.

David is also very involved in his church. When he leaves the County, as he does in May, he attends church services, including the annual sessions of the Canada Conference of the Mennonite Church in May, meetings that were held at the "Twenty" (Vineland, now Town of Lincoln) in 1900.

A large portion of Davids time and energy was spent serving the local community (both Mennonite and non-Mennonite) as conveyancer, surveyor, and administrator of estates. At the end of 1911 he recorded that he had written over 100 mortgages, deeds, wills etc. during the year. David Bergey was also an active church member. He was ordained a deacon in 1889 and served as Secretary of the Mennonite Conference of Ontario 1906, 1921.

When David sold his farmstead to his son Gilbert in 1921, and agreement was made for David and Louisa to have lifetime possession of three rooms on the east side of the house on the main floor, the bedroom in the southeast corner of the second floor and storage room in the cellar, as well as stable room for a horse and visitors horses, and room in the driving shed for the vehicles. Gilbert built an addition of a kitchen, a living room and a woodshed on the southeast end of the large house for the use of his parents. This end was called the Grandpa House or Grossdawdy House. David retired from the office of deacon and Secretary of Conference in 1921. The lot fell on Gilbert to succeed his father as deacon in 1921. He also succeeded his father as Secretary of Conference, 1922, 1940. David Bergey died on March 25, 1932.

The Diary

January 1900 1 Mon.: Weather cold, about zero in morning. Cold west wind all day. At Blenheim Church in a.m. A. Hunsberger from Luke 2:21-48. Wrote deed Is Cressman to G. Guthrie in morning.

2 Tues.: Weather rather cold, a strong S.W. wind with considerable snow. Started from home at 7 am for Berlin, thence to Benuel Bowman's to settle a difficulty between them

and David Wenger. Got there at 10:30 am. Stayed there till after 4 pm when I started for home, stopping 1/2 hour at Berlin to feed horse. Got deed....25 cents and diary .25.

3 Wed.: Weather cloudy and a little milder. Wrote deed for Hunsberger and Baer and mortgage Cressman to Guthrie in am. Had Hunsberger deed signed in pm. Got for deed 1.25, D.O.M. .25, Registr., \$1.90.

4 Thurs.: Weather cloudy, milder. Had Cressman [and] Guthrie deed mortgage signed in am. At 11 am Issac Cressman and I went to Issac McNally's to get two mortgages discharged. Then to Berlin to registry office. Made one D.O.M. for Lucinda Cressman. Paid at Registry Office for Hunsberger, Baer Deed \$1.40. D.O.M. .50. Paid at Registry Office for Cressman - Guthrie deed \$1.40. Paid at Registry Office for Cressman - Guthrie mortgage \$1.00. two disch. 1.20

5 Fri: Weather mostly fair and fine, thawing some. Benjiman Groff and his brother Al Groff from N. Dakota here last night and to-day till after dinner. Ezra took them to Hamburg in pm. I was at Dundee in pm on business. Got from E.H. Thames for writing will \$1.00. For Mrs. Hawes, money order \$15.00. Paid William Kriesel on account. \$10.00., Kolenbren account in full \$7.50., A. Maeder's account \$4.30, I Spreeman's account .55 cents. Mos. Bock here to order writings for sale of farm. Gilbert hauled wood out of bush. Paid Dauman for labor \$9.25.

6 Sat.: Weather fair and warm. At Dundee in am. Kriesel's account in full \$5.94., M. Rae's account in full \$10.00. Wm Main, thrashing \$1.00, P.Poth's account in full \$9.50. Cutting hair .15. Milton 2.00, Ida and Herbert .32., Got from Ida and Herb on note 2.00. From Amelia.....20

7 Sun.: Weather cloudy, s.w. wind with considerable rain in am. At home all day.

8 Mon.: Weather fair and fine. M.M. Shantz and wife here. Made agreement for their farm. I paid him \$1.50, he paid me for cow \$23.00. I got from Amelia \$40.00. Gilbert and Amelia went to Berlin with apples. Paid for blanks .25 cents. Ch. boxes .30 cents. D.H. Snyder for labor 1.50. Cow to Bull \$1.00.

9 Tues.: Weather fair and fine with a rather strong wind from S.W. by S. Rain in evening. I went with A. Lederman to deliver books that he sold. Got dinner at Stauffer Shantz and tea at John Snyders west of Haysville. Home at 8:10 pm. Got mare shod in morning. 40 cents. Gilbert got 11.20 lb. corn chop for 8.96, repaired harness, 10 cents.

10 Wed.: Weather cloudy and fair with rather a cold wind. I was at W. Hall's in a.m. to get documents signed. Got from G.Guthrie \$6.75. From Mos. Bock \$4.15 for writing and registration work. Two D.O.M. and I mortgage for H. Einwachte, N.N. Bowman in pm. Got for writing 1.75. For Registering 2.40 H. Einwachte for use of engine and corn cutter \$4.00.

11 Thurs.: Weather cloudy, E. wind, heavy fall of snow during pm and evening. At Josi. Hallman's in pm to make affidavits. Got 20 cents. Home at 9am. Wrote agreements for Jac Schlichter and E. Cressman in am. In pm I was at Israel Cressman's (New Dundee) and M.M. Shantz's. Sent deed and mortgage to Woodstock for registration. P.O. Money order \$2.60, cost 4 cents.

12 Fri.: Weather cloudy and not very cold. Wind from N. in am. Wife and I started from home at 8 am. Stopped at my parents on way next to Berlin. At Lucinda Cressmann's for dinner. Was at registry office and Bank. In pm went to Bishop Jonas Snider's, he not being at home we went to Menno S. Weber's for supper. Then to Martin H. Bowman's for the night. Balance of Cressman and Bowman's accounts .50cts. Herald of Truth \$1.50. of Chees. 50cts., Y.P. Paper. 75.cts, Illustrator 60 cts, registry mortgage 1.00. 2 D.O.M. 1.00, 1 deed Guthrie to Bock, 1.40, Hay .10.

13 Sat.: Weather cloudy, not very cold. Left M.H. Bowman's at 9 am for E. Bowman's (New Jerusalem) where we got at about 10:30 am. Stayed there till 3:30 pm then went to M. Heckendorn's for the night. In evening he and I went to hear Jac. S. Wollner preach at North Wollwich on "Conversion" (Matt. 18:3) Collection 10 cts.

14 Sun.: From M. Heckendorn's to Conestoga Church in am. D. Wismer from Matt 5:16. To George Schmitt's for Dinner, thence to Dil. Snyder's Conestoga for supper. To David Koch's for the night.

15 Mon.: Weather mostly cloudy with a heavy snowfall in evening and night. From D. Koch's at 8:45am for Waterloo. Stopped at Jos. Snyder's, Eli Horsts, and Mrs. Chr. Snyder's for calls. Put up at Waterloo. Per Str. cue to Kaufman's Planing Mill and back to Mos. Eby's (Waterloo) for dinner. To Jns. Kunkels for tea. Thence home by 9:40 pm Hay 10cts, ABC blocks .10, Car fare .05, Seed .08.

16 Tues.: Weather cloudy rather mild. Wife and I at funeral of Mrs. David Shantz. (Williamsburg) at Latschars' at N. Bergey's for dinner. Stopped at Jacob C. Hallmans on way back, then to Roseville and back home at 6 pm. Funeral largely attended, an overflow meeting in the school house.

17 Wed.: Weather fair and cloudy although some snow in pm. A strong S.E. wind. I got H. Eckstein in the morning and took him to the bush where he and Gilbert made logs. Ezra took 4 logs to Hallman's Mill. I left home at 10:30 for Berlin, went to Mrs. Richert's for dinner. To Registry Office and other business, thence home via Strasburg, stopping to see Mrs. Swartz about writing her will. For Registration .95, affidavits .25, Palms for mitts .50, Candlesticks .20, repaired shoes .70.

18 Thurs.: Weather cloudy and mild. Some rain in pm. Agents for Sylvester Binder here for dinner - ordered one for trial, I boxed cheese in pm. 7.4lbs in 22 boxes. Boys worked at logs, hauled 4 to mill.

19 Fri.: Weather mostly cloudy and quite foggy in am. Cloudy and fair aft pm. I took

and shipped cheese from Petersburg in morning. Home at 10:00 am Post .08. I took 2 logs to Hallman's mill in pm. Boys made logs.

20 Sat.: Weather cloudy and fair although cooler. Paid Milton \$1.00, Amelia and Ida 30cts, P.O. box .25. I was at Dundee in am. Paid Alex Smith account 1.25. A.R. Bock 4.40. Had 3 horses shod in pm., "Lady" "Fair," and "Ab" ,, \$1.20. Was at W. Spaetzels for tea. He paid me interest \$20.25. I paid him right .15cts. M.M. Shantz and I signed note in evening for \$27.00 to Wendell Bowman.

21 Sun.: Weather cloudy and cooler. At home all day.

22 Mon.: Weather mostly fair, snow melting in pm at home in am. At funeral of Enoch Snyder in pm. D. Wismer from Phil. 1:21 (German) and Jonas Snider in eveng from Gen[esis] 5:24. A crowded house. Home at 5 pm. Gilbert at Ayr and Goldie's for chicken feed and cheese boxes. Paid for cheese boxes .30cts.

23 Tues.: Weather fair and cloudy although with a raw N.W. wind, colder toward evening. At Dundee with Oats for choppin in am. (1700 lbs., pd. 85cts.) Paid Chopping account 66 cts. A. Schlermen for labor \$1.88., for his mothers funeral expenses \$20.00. A. Hunsbergers taking boys home in pm. Boys hauled wood out of bush. (at home bush).

24 Wed.: Weather cloudy with a cold E. wind. I was at Dil Hunsberger's sale, bot 2 tubs, 2 bench 1.75, 1 doubletree .85, 3 augers .25, 1 reel .10, 1 truck 3.25, 4 bells .60, cooker .75, stand .10, and 25 bushels Barley at 41 cts. Also a cow (Nelly) from Sam. H. Hunsberger for my note at \$35.00. Ephraim Shantz from Didsbury Alta., and his father Jac. Y. Shantz, H[enr]y Baer and wife here for tea and Jn. Kunkel for night.

25 Thurs.: Weather milder and cloudy with snow in pm. Colder in evening. I was at Cressman's sale. Bot, Wood rack .85 cts and wire at 2.25 all. I helped to settle up sale in evening. I was at M.M. Shantz's in evening. Put in tender for wood for school 11 cts., for \$ 45.00, and 1/2 cord pine for \$1.75.

26 Fri.: Weather cold (below zero) and a N. wind. At home all day wrote a D.O.M. and a mortgage, 1 former for Jacob S. Bowman, G. Goetting [?] and latter Goetting and Bowman. Got \$1.25 for it. Boys got barley at Hunsbergers in am and woodrack at Is. Cressmans in pm.

27 Sat.: Weather stormy and colder at home in a.m. at I Cressman's in p.m. and at Dundee. Settled with Cressman, paid him for 12.26. Bushel wheat c 72cts \$9.05. For wood rack .90, wire .32. I got from him for writing and registration \$6.05. Bal. on thrashing .38. Came home via Dundee. Got papers. Gilbert took a load of wood to P.E. Shantz {Preston} for \$5.50.

28 Sun.: Weather rather stormy and some what colder. At Blenheim Church in a.m. N. Stauffer from Tit[us] 2:13-14. At home in p.m. Collection taken for farmers in India \$12.10. I gave to collection 2.00.

29 Mon.: Weather cold with a S.W. wind. 10 below in morning. I was at Hunsbergers in a.m. to settle up. Dil. paid me old account \$3.44. 2 1/4 days thrashing at .75, [\$1.88 struck out] \$1.09. I paid him 3 1/2 days thrashing, \$2.63. Truck and c bought at sale \$7.70, 25 bushels Barley at 41 cts, \$10.25. He paid me, 2 notes (Wm Hunsbergers est.) 1 of \$18.35, and 1 of \$105.85. Wm Beattie and A.B. Detweiler for getting a lease written. Got for it .75. At Dundee to attend funeral of Johnny McRae. Could not get in (house full) Saw C. Hillgartner, he signed a codicil. Got for it .75. Gilbert took a load of wood to P.E. Shantz, Preston. I paid P.E. Shantz \$1.00 to pay acct. in full.

30 Tues.: Weather stormy with flurries of snow, colder in evening. I went to Berlin via my fathers taking sister Lydia along. At Aunt Richerts for dinner, wrote a lease from her to Louis Ernst. To registry office with Ernest Getling. Paid him \$3.50 for Jac. S. Bowman. To Bank next. Got from Lydia \$7.00 for my note. Got from Bank for me \$1.00. Deposited for M.M. Shantz \$764.53. Got from Bank for Hunsberger est. \$75.00. Sent draft to Jac. E. Bergey, \$200 less 50cts for cost of draft. I paid Ez Bowman "India Farmers Fund" \$23.60. Paid for tablets .20cts, for Blanks D.O.M. .20cts. Home at 6 p.m. Gilbert bought at Dundee Mill, 10 Bushels Corn chop \$4.20, for chopping oats and barley 90cts.

31 Wed. 31: Weather quite cold. At home all day. C.W. Backers here to order deed and D.O.M. written. I wrote them in pm. Gilbert and Ezra took a load of straw to Mrs. R. Bock.

February 1900 1 Thurs.: Weather fair & cloudy alt, strong wind, especially in p.m. & cold. We Killed cow (Holstein) in a.m. H. EcksteinY helping. I handed checks to M M ShantzY in a.m. Chored round in p.m.

2 Fri.: Weather still cold, 10 below E. At home in a.m. At Mr. Turnow's funeral in PM. Mr. Meyer on Isa.57:1,2 & Mr. Backus on 1 Thess. 4:14. At Mr. Backus' place to get Deed signed after funeral. Paid AmeliaY Interest \$3.30, Paid EvaY \$2.00 Got from Eva (coll) 1.00. From do. (Coll.) 1.00. Paid for Daily Globe for 3 mths \$1.00. Boys brot. Mr. Eckstein some straw in a.m. Chored in p.m.

3 Satur.: Weather milder. Boys hauled wood out of Bush

4 Sun.: Weather stormy with quite a fall of snow. Wife & I at Latschar ChurchY [later Mannheime Mennonite Church] in a.m. At [neighbour] Amos M. Shantz'sY for dinner, At S.School in p.m. At H Baer's for supper, Home at 10 p.m.

5 Mon.: Weather not very cold. At home in a.m. At meeting of Farmer's Institute in p.m. till 4 p.m. Special School meeting at 4.30 p.m. I was chosen Trustee for M.M. Shantz'sY unexpired term. EzraY took a log to [Jacob C.] Hallman's mill [at Rosebank, Wilmot Township]Y in p.m. Paid Fee 25[?]

6 Tues.: Weather mild & cloudy in a.m. fair in p.m. At J[ohn] S. Hallman'sY in a.m. Got

cutter repaired at Kulebrenners on way home. Took a load of household articles to Breslau for M.M. Shantz in p.m. Got there at about 7.30 p.m. & remained all night. GilbertY took a log to Hallman's mill in p.m.

7 Wed.: Weather cloudy with some rain in p.m. began at about 4 p.m. Wife & I left M.M. Shantz's at 10.45 a.m. and went to Millie Bacherts for dinner. Left there at 3.50 p.m. to Berlin, & thence home at about 8 p.m. Gilbert took a load for M.M.S' today Pd. M.M.S'. balance on acct. \$2.00: " for cheese boxes 60: M.M.S. pd. me school money \$2.90, which I gave to E.C. BowmanY who deposited it in Bank of Commerce.

8 Thurs.: Weather rainy in a.m. somewhat cooler in p.m. high water running over our land. At village in morning to meet Jac. S. Hallman about money matters. He agrees that I would borrow \$4500 from him on June 1 next at 4 per cent on the M.M.S. farm, & pay off their mortgage now on the same farm. Took some hens to the new farm in p.m. Gilbert and Eva came home at 8.30 p.m. from Breslau

9 Fri.: Weather mostly fair with a strong W. wind. At new home in a.m. shifting things & boys cleaning stables &c all day, I was at home in p.m. writing Deed, Kinsie to Fried. Kinsies' at our place for tea. Got for writing: Agreement & Deed \$2.00, Regis. \$1.40. For 4 lbs cheese 44[?] Ezra got 555 lb corn chop and 360 lb Midd's at Dundee Mill all @ 80 cts a C.

10 Sat.: I was at Dundee in morning got nails &c [etc.] at Kriesel's on credit, Took a Cow Hide there st. 60 lbs @ 7 cts a lb. Had 6 shoes set & 2 new ones put on Dexter & Fan, Pd. for chop & midds, got yesterday \$7.32 Shoeing horses \$1.10, Repairs cutter &c .30, Gilbert was at Baden Mills for ScipY [trade name of chicken feed] in p.m. Got 1008 Scip chop for \$7.06, Borrowed from wife \$2.06. Did some work for Hy. Baer in p.m.

11 Sun.: Weather fair & cloudy alt. At Blenheim Church in a.m. Jos. Nahrgang from Isa. I:18,,20. At home in p.m. Jos. Nahrgang & Ben. Rosenberger with us for dinner.

12 Mon.: Weather fine & mild till 4.30 p.m. some rain after that. Killed 2 hogs today, H. Einwaechter helping, made about 100lbs. Summer Sausages, had kept 3 qrs. of Beef of cow Holstein. Paid H. Ein. \$1.50. Paid Is. Denstedt .25 for pruning grape vine, T. Current did some work at other house in p.m.

13 Tues.: Weather rainy in morning & colder with a strong N.W. wind. Moved smoke house to near house in morning, hung up sausage & meal, Abr. Hallman's came to see use, for dinner till 3.00 p.m.

14 Wed.: Weather mild & cloudy. We took pigs to other barn in a.m. I was at F. Bretz's in p.m. to see him about writing will. He is sick in bed. Boys took young cattle to other barn in p.m.

15 Thurs.: Weather windy, rather mild in a.m. colder in p.m. some snow. I was at Dundee in a.m. getting "Fly" & "Ab" shod. 3 new 5 set, \$1.25 pd. Was at Mr. F. Bretz's

to get him to sign his will. Got for it .75. Paid D. Garinger for labor 75 [cents], I was at Baden in p.m. Exch. 11 10/00 Bush. wheat for 395 lb Flour & 134 lb Bran, Got 1837 lb Scip, for wife \$12.86. Gilbert was at Petersburg twice for corn Got 4050 lb @ .40 a bushel. D. Shuh's came, in evg. to stay all night. I sent Deed, Kinsie to Fried, to Woodstock from Baden, made affid. before Mr. Holwell, sent with it \$1.42, pd. cost, postage &c. 7cts.

16 Fri.: Weather fair & cold, 8 below zero in morning. Worked at No.2 house, waterworks, Pipe from Attic tank to cellar frozen. Water ran over, came down through ceiling &c., regular mess. Boys took stove & wood over in a.m. we set up stove to warm & dry up things, I fed cattle there in Evg. & cleaned stables. Boys hauled wood in p.m.

17 Sat.: Weather fair & fine though cold, I was at Dundee in a.m. writing agreement, E.H. Thamer to Miss Hamacher Got for it 70 cts. Boys picked over turnips in a.m. chored round in p.m.

18 Sun.: Weather fair & cloudy alt. & cold. I was at home all day.

19 Mon.: Weather cloudy & rather cold, at bush with woodchoppers in morning. At other barn doing chores in p.m. Gilbert took a load of Dry wood to the School house in a.m. & hauled wood out of bush in p.m.

20 Tues.: Weather cloudy & fair alt. & milder with an E. wind. At other barn in morning doing chores. A.R. Bock V.S: here in morning to attend to heifer that could not calve. Wife & I left at 12.40 p.m. for Berlin with cheese, apples & lard, and went to W.E. Shantz's for the night. Got from Bank \$140.00. Gilbert hauled wood out of bush.

21 Wed.: Weather cloudy with E. wind & mild. Began to snow at about 4 p.m. I left W.E. Shantz's after hunting up a wagon, at 10 a.m. for Elmira where I got at 1 p.m. [three hour ride]. Got 22 35/00 Seed Peas from Mr. Geo. Klinck @ 73cts, \$16.48. Pd. for Dinner & hay 35[?] Left Elmira at 3.30 p.m. & got to W.E. Shantz's @ 6:30 p.m. [three hour ride]. Boys hauled wood from bush.

22 Thurs.: Weather Cloudy E. to N.E. wind & not very cold, snowing most of day. Left W.E. Shantz's at 8.30 a.m. and after stopping at Berlin for a short time, came home with about half of peas at noon. Got from A.S. Hallman for .83 lb., cheese, \$9.16. Boys cut down Elm tree for saw logs in p.m. Chopping 1200 lbs Oats 60 cts. 2 snaps 15[?]

23 Fri.: Weather snowy & stormy. At Dundee in morning to pay for corn &c. Pd. for 4045 lb corn (E.W.B. Snider [mill in St. Jaocb 29.12. Pd. A. Schmitt rep. School .75, Stamps .25, P.Cards 08. Rep. Wagon 1.00, [William] TrusslerY, cutting wood \$1.00. Boys went to bush to make sawlogs, made one & brot. it along in a.m. In p.m. Ezra took log to J.C. Hallman's, & Gilbert hauled wood to Sch.house.

24 Sat.: Weather stormy & snowy. Ezra took two logs to J.C. Hallmans & Gilbert 2 loads of wood to sch. house.

25 Sun.: Weather stormy & getting colder. At Blenheim Church in a.m. Jos. Nahrgang & Isa. Rosenberger [preached on] Heb. 12:25. At home in p.m.

26 Mon.: Weather fair & very cold 18 below zero. At home all day. Chopping corn, 73 cts.

27 Tues.: Weather fair & very cold in morning 18 below, at home in a.m. Wife and I went to Jno. Rodas & I wrote a codicil to his will (got 50 ct.) then to M.C. Bowman's Y for tea. came home in Evg. bringing Grandmother's cutter along, wife remained there. Boys got wood ready for Berlin. Pd. Elias Hallman for cheese \$7.60. [Paid] Henry Eckstein for cutting wood \$10.00.

28 Wed.: Weather cloudy & snow all day, N.E. wind not very cold, about a foot of snow fell. Boys took 2 cords of wood to W.E. Shantz Berlin, I did chores & worked at Ram, & water. Pd. for nails 12 cts. Chopping oats, 54 cts. Mr. Trussler bot \$1.50 worth of goods @ E.H. Thamer & co. which I promised to pay.

30 Mon, Weather cloudy & fair alt. with a cool N. wind. a little rain in a.m. Abr. Hallman & I went to Berlin on business for [the] est[ate]. Got dinner at E.S. Hallman's Y. Got from Bank \$215 Lent to Abr. Hallman. Pd for shoes \$1.25, for Com[munion] Wine. 25, Book (J.B. Gingrich) 40 [cents], 3 blank books 15 [cents], Cough drops .05. For 100 lessons in Bible Study (E.S. Hallman) .50. Gilbert harrowed & Ezra cultivated.

March 1900 1 Thurs.: Weather cloudy, milder, snowing some, strong N.E. wind all day. At other farm dairy [?] chores in morning.

2 Fri: Weather fair, not very cold. Strong N.W. by N. wind. Snow drifts high. At other barn and at N. Dundee in am. Got harness repaired for 30 cents. Paid for map of Ontario \$5.00,...30cts. Gilbert at Baden in p.m. for Hog feed. Got 15 bags @...\$15.00 per two and 15 bag Midd. at \$16.00 per ton. Paid in all \$19.15. and Repaired harness .05cts. Repaired sleigh .10cts. Error, see Monday Mar. 5.

3 Sat.: Weather fair and cloudy although not very cold. I did chores in a.m. Boys broke road. I was at Roseville settling with D. Clemmens for sawing. Account \$4.96, Milton got 2 calves at H. Baer's, paid for them \$2.00.

4 Sun.: Weather - snowing and blowing, not very cold. At Detweiler church in a.m. S. Yehman Matt. 5:3 and 6. At Mrs. Isaac Snyder's for dinner. Home at 5 p.m.

5 Mon.: Weather mild and windy. I did chores at both barns and helped Is. Cressman's some in a.m. at moving. Gilbert got Sorg[hum], chop and midd[s], at Baden, 15 bags of each for \$19.15. He got sleigh repaired, .10cts and harness, .05 Ezra helped Is. Cressman's to move with team. Midd[s] 1212 lb at .80cts per C [100 pounds]. and 1261 Serf. ch. c .75 per C.

6 Tues.: Began to rain during last night and rained till about 9 a.m. Mild in a.m. turned colder toward evening. A strong W. wind. Did chores at other barn in a.m. Wife and I at Steph. Hawes sale in p.m. Took tea there. Home at 8 p.m. roads bad. Ezra took sow to H. Einwachters in morning. Gilbert started to Petersburg in p.m. but came back.

7 Wed.: Weather fair and cloudy although with snow flurries and a N.W. wind. I did chores. Gilbert fetched 46.32 Bushels corn at 40 cents, \$18.64. At Petersburg, bought of Mr. C. Quinn. Ezra at my father's place in p.m. for force pump.

8 Thurs.: Weather still rather cold in morning, fair and fine, milder in p.m. Thawing some. We tried to get water at other farm with force pump but did not succeed. Chores round next day. Wife and I at Dundee in p.m. I paid Trussler for cutting wood, \$2.40. Paid for fork handle .15 cts. Boys helped Moses Shantz load turnips and buy oats in p.m.

9 Fri.: Weather mild, cloudy in a.m., fair in p.m. A little rain in evening. Gilbert and I left at 6:40 a.m. for Wellesley [Township] sale at D Brennemans. I bought a cow, gave my note for \$31.60 due in 10 months. I paid Gilbert \$0.50 for horsefeed and c. We got home at 9:30 p.m.

10 Sat.: Weather mostly fair and mild. Milton took me a part of the way to Petersburg. I took train there at 9:30 a.m. for Berlin. Stayed there till 1 p.m. when I went to Breslau with M.M. Shantz's horse to see the Misses Zeller about borrowing money, they were not at home. I left Breslau at 3:30 p.m. for Petersburg where I got at 4 p.m. Walked home. Fare Petersburg to Breslau .20cts., Dinner .25, M.M. Shantz for Oats, \$25.00. Fare, Breslau to Petersburg 35 cts., W.H. Becker \$2.25.

11 Sun.: Weather cloudy and colder. S. E. wind at Blenheim church in a.m. M. Cressman [preached] from Matt. 7:24-27. M. Cressman at our place for dinner. At home in p.m.

12 Mon.: Weather fair and cloudy and cold in morning. Turning milder in evening. Choring round other barn, cleaning out chicken pen in p.m. Gilbert took 2 loads of wood to Schantz house and got ready for going to Galt tomorrow.

13 Tues.: Weather cloudy and mild. Chores round. Gilbert took a load of wood to Galt which he sold for \$5.50, he paid for dinner .25. I paid for chopping oats \$1.28. Took 2 tubs to Alex Smith to mend. Gilbert repaid me .25cts. I got from M.M. Shantz 248 lb. oats at 30 cts a bushel. 81 27/34 bushels making \$24.54. (I paid him last Saturday \$25.00)

14 Wed.: Weather fair and cold. N.W. wind. Chores in a.m. At Al. Hallmans. Benj. Knipps and N. Cassels' in p.m. Paid N. Cassel for fish .40cts. Boys hauled some wood to School house, and Gilbert got a load ready for Galt.

15 Thurs.: Weather fair and cloudy although cold. E. wind with a little sun in p.m. Gilbert at Galt with wood, sold it for \$5.00. Paid for dinner .25. Wife and I went to Preston via Doon. Sold 12 lb. Butter for \$2.40 and 29 lbs cheese to for \$3.19 to Mrs

Hewing, Preston. Wife sold 30 doz eggs at 12.5 [cts/doz?]. I paid for golb [?] clever seed \$9.00, for Earls shoes .90cts, for thread 10 cts.

16 Fri.: Weather fair and cold, west wind in p.m. I spent some time in a.m. and in p.m. at New Dundee School, where Promotions Exam was going on. John C. Cressman was here mending harness today. I paid him \$1.50. Mr. and Mrs. McRae were here after dinner to sign deed from them to Hausperger family, he paid me \$1.60. Boys worked at wood.

17 Sat.: (St. Patrick's Day) Weather stormy. At home in a.m. At Blenheim Church in p.m. at special meeting of the brethren to elect Trustee and District man vice. M. M. Shantz resigned.

18 Sun.: Weather mostly cloudy and somewhat milder. At home all day. Gilbert and Eva took Earle Hawes to his grandparents whom he is to accompany to Manitoba.

19 Mon.: Weather fair and cloudy although with a little snow and rain in p.m. mild, snow getting soft. Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Earle at our place for dinner and on a visit. Gilbert at Baden in p.m. for chicken feed and Middlings for 12.00 lb Midd, at \$17 a ton, \$10.20. I got 2.00 sheets Butter Paper of E.H. Thames and Co. for 20 cts.

20 Tues.: Weather rather cold. N.W. wind. Chored round. Boys took some wood to school house, hard wood is nearly all there.

21 Wed.: Weather mostly cloudy with a strong west wind. Israel Cressman and I went to H. Hillgartners sale where I bought one set harness a \$10.00, one cutter \$2.75, one wheelbarrow \$1.00, one shovel 35 cts, one double and triple trees .30, shaving horse 10 cts, Golab \$14.50, gave my note at 10 months. Boys in bush trying to cut pine wood.

22 Thurs.: Weather fair and fine. Gilbert and I went to H. Hillgartners in the morning to get things I bought at his sale. Wife and I took her mothers cutter and my father's Force pump home after 3:40 p.m. Stayed at my father's for tea. Home at 9:45 p.m. Boys washed some harness getting it ready to oil. Cow Queen calved.

23 Fri.: Weather fair and fine though rather a raw N.W. by N. wind. I was at Goldies mill in a.m. for bran. Got 147 lb at 80 cts a C, \$11.77. Came home at 12.35 p.m. Boys in bush in p.m. cutting pine wood. Cow Rosa calved. Borrowed from Amelia \$2.00, paid for Bran \$11.77.

24 Sat.: Weahter fair and fine. I was at home nearly all day. At Dundee in morning to get hair cut, cost 15 cts. Wife and Gilbert at Preston with butter and eggs. I got for butter 3.62. Got 2 shoes set at Kolenbrenners in p.m. (20cts)

25 Sun.: Weather fair and cloudy although not very cold. At Blenheim Church in a.m. At Isaiah Rosenbergers for dinner. At S. Hawes in p.m. for a short call, brought Early home with us. I paid for collection for Sunday School, 25 cts.

26 Mon.: Weather fair and cloudy although with a little snow in evening. I was at Benue Bowman's to try to settle a difficulty between them and Daniel Wenger. No success. They (Bowmans) refused to try to settle. Stopped on way home at Berlin, paid for oats \$0.10. Home at 9 p.m. Gilbert took wood out of bush. N....had team for hauling wood. Eva took Earl back to S. Hawes. Borrowed from wife \$5.00. Cow Rolly calved.

27 Tues.: Weather fair with a rather sharp W. wind. Wife and I went to Hamburg in morning, and thence on a visit to Amos Cressmans home at 6 p.m. Gilbert got sleigh repaired in a.m. Cows Topsy and Tidy calved.

28 Wed.: Weather fair and fine. Did chores. Helped to wash in a.m.

29 Thurs.: Weather fair and cloudy and mild. Chored round. At Dundee just before dinner, at school and store. Got 2 axehandles for 45 cts. Brought cows and calves over in morning.

30 Fri.: Weather mostly cloudy a raw E. wind. I walked (nearly all the way) to Petersburg in the morning, and took 9:20 train to Berlin. Went to registry Office, registered deed (Backus to Einwaechter), also deed, McRae to Susanna Geiger et.al. and D.O.M. [for] S. Hallman to Backus. Got money in Bank, some blanks at Becker's and came back with 11 a.m. train. Got a chance with A McDonalds team, got home at 1:15 p.m. Took from bank \$1.75, paid ticket 35 cts, Blank Mortg. 50 cts., registry \$3.45, Carfare .05. Boys took a cord wood to New Dundee for A. McRae, and some straw to Mrs. R. Bock and H. Eckstein.

31 Sat.: Weather fair with a cold N.W. wind. At home in a.m., at Dundee in p.m. Paid D. Harper \$96.25, Mrs. Willits \$10.00. Got 10 lbs nails, calf rope and Galvanized pail at W. Kriesels. Wrote notices of Beef meeting in evening. Gilbert in Preston in a.m. with Cutter eggs and chickens. I got for 19 lb Butter \$3.60.

April Sun. 1. Weather fair and cloudy although milder. Snow melting fast. At home in a.m. At Sunday School in p.m. Not a great many there on account of bad roads.

Mon. 2. Weather fair and rather cold. At home in a.m. At Dundee in p.m. putting up bills for Beef meeting in p.m. paid for postage for do. .05. Paid Miss Lye (per A.B. McRae) 53.75. Boys worked at harness today. got Milton's quarters salary \$78.75. I paid Milton.20 cts. I paid to wife \$5.00.

Tues. 3. Weather fair and fine. At Dundee in a.m. to open tenders for sawing wood. Jns. M. Baer got it, 45 cts a cord. We tapped trees today. Boys fetched hens at Isaac Brickers in p.m.

Wed. 4. Weather fair and fine with rather a cold N. W. wind. At home choring round in a.m. At Wms. Garland sale in p.m. Bought 0. Boys oiled harness.

Thurs. 5. Weather fair and fine, milder than yesterday. Did chores and cut some wood in a.m. At Dundee in p.m. and got some (700 lb) corn chopped and 2 shoes set (Dex. And Fair, 7 each.) Boys hauled wood and gathered sap in a.m. Cut wood and tapped trees in p.m. Paid for chopping $77 + 35$ cts = \$1.12, setting 2 shoes .20 cts.

Fri. 6. Weather cloudy with a little rain. David Burgerman and wife with us for dinner. We valued buildings on new farm. He and I went to Is Cressman's in p.m. to value his effects. W. Tunney, M. Knarr and A. Fried here in p.m. to have lease of farm written, I got for it \$1.20 boys boiled sap.

Sat. 7. Weather fair and fine, quite warm. I did chores in a.m. at Beef meeting in p.m. Wife and Ezra at Galt market with butter and eggs. I got for 38 lb butter \$7.27. Paid hay 10 cts. Gilbert took a load of lumber and c to Berlin for Is Cressman.

Sun. 8. Weather cloudy and a little cooler. At Blenheim Church in a.m. S. Gelman from Matt. 18:3,11. Inquiry meeting, Sunday School after service. At home in p.m. I paid Almo .25cts, got bars .50 cts. Weather fair with a cold N. wind all day. Hard frost in morning. Wrote some mortgages in a.m. and part of p.m. At Is. Brickns in p.m. for geese and also at Watermans for carpet for M. M. Shantz's, paid for carpets \$1.40. Boys oiled harness in a.m. and picked stones in p.m.

Tues. 10 Weather fair but a cold N. wind. Chores in a.m. At Dundee in p.m. Saw Mrs. Tomos about her will. At a. Schlermans, A. Hunsberger, C.W. Backus about business.

Wed. 11 Weather cloudy and fair with a rather cold wind a little snow and rain in evening. I left home at 9:00 a.m. went to Strasburg, stopped at Mrs. Swartz's got her to execute her will, thence to Berlin, registered D.O.M. Went with J.Z. Kolb for the night. Paid for Registering .50 cts, dinner and hay .35 cts.

Thurs. 12. Weather cloudy and somewhat foggy. From J.Z. Kolb's to Bresleeve to see the Missis Gilbert about money matters, thence to Berlin and to Congerence. Left Berlin for home at about 5 p.m. Mr. Schlerman \$30.00. Got from H. Streburg for 53 lb cheese \$5.30. Paid for hay .10cts.

Fri. 13. Weather cloudy with some snow. At Blenheim Church in a.m. At home in p.m. Jesse B. Cassels and Abr. S. Cressman's at our place for dinner. Got alens 50 cts, paid 10 cts.

Sat. 14. Weather cloudy and fair and mild. Wife and I went to Galt Preston and Doon with eggs, butter and cheese. Home at 5:00 p.m. Sold 13 lb butter for \$2.44 and 46 lb for \$7.82 (not paid) and 72 lb cheese for 7.92. Got 60 lb clover for 6.75 and 36 lb Tim. For \$1.32, 2 bags 32 cts, hay .20cts. Boys boiled sap. Paid Milton \$1.00. Ida .50cts, Herbert .50cts.

Sun. 15. At home in a.m. At Sunday School in p.m. E.C. Bowman around place last night and for dinner, Mos. Baier's for dinner. Weather fair and cloudy although mild.

Mon. 16. Weather fair in a.m., cloudy in p.m., rain in evening. I chored round, pruned trees and c. in a.m. Write some in p.m. Gilbert fetched our carriage at H. Baer's in a.m. He was at Blair for cultivator in p.m. Ezra boiled sap and c. Sold 6.5 lb cheese to B. Schlechter at 12 cts. 78 cts cash. Gilbert got 3 shoes set for Family in a.m.

Tues. 17. Weather mostly cloudy with occasional showers of rain. I was at Dundee in p.m. to get shoe set and got other repairs and c. Paid for setting 4 shoes 40 cts, 4 plw points \$1.25 repaired cutter 10 cts. paid A. Schlierman alms for his late mother \$10.00, 2 sweat pad 1.50, 4 weat pads \$1.60, 2 person plow lines .50cts, 1 trace chain .40 cts. 464 lb middlings at 90cts, \$4.18. Boys hauled some rails picked stones and c. H. Baer paid me for writing 2 mortgages \$2.00.

Wed. 18. Weather fair and cloudy although strong S. W. wind, mild and fine. Wrote and had will signed of Katie Gherr in a.m. Got for it \$1.00 I paid Elias Hallman, bal of his cheese \$7.27. Boys began to plow sod in new land on new farm. I brought carriage home from Nwe Dundee paid .20 cts for loosening wheel.

Thurs. 19. Weather cloudy in a.m. fair in p.m. Cold N. wind. I was at goldies for middlings and Serg chop. Got 1100 lb Serg chop for myself at \$16.00 a ton - \$8.80 and 1058 middling chop at \$17.00 a ton - \$8.99. Also 92 lbs Serg. for Is. Cressman, \$0.73. Home at 5:30 p.m. Boys plowed sod.

Fri. 20. Weather fair and fine. At Ayr and Goldie's. Got new head for plow at Hilborn's \$2.10, share and slip .70 cts, Dinner and hay .50 cts, Wax and bags .30, Lime .40, Middlings (712 lb) \$6.05 and 718 lb Bran \$5.74, (Middling \$17 a ton and Bran \$16 a ton) Boys plowed sod.

Sat. 21 Weather fair and cloudy and mild. Boys plowed sod. Milton and I hauled rails in a.m. I was at Dundee in p.m. Got post cards for .25cts. Ezra got corn chopped 1170 lb \$0.59. Got from A. Hanspeyer writing deed and c. \$1.75.

Sun. 22 Weather fair and cloudy although with a little rain in evening. At Blenheim Church in a.m. M. Cressman from Titus 2:11-14. Got alms 60 cts, paid 10 cts.

Mon. 23 Weather fair and warm. I took 4 hogs to Baden sold to Hall and Knipp, weight 645 lb at 5 5/8 cts. \$35.25. Paid for dinner and hay 40cts, weighing 10cts, brought Serg drop for wife 1060 lbs for \$7.95. Boys plowed sod.

Tues. 24. Weather fair and somewhat cooler. Boys and I hauled rails in a.m. boys plowed sod in p.m. Herbert rolled clover field. I was at Dundee in evening. Paid for bolts 10cts. paid Jns M. Baer for sawing wood at school \$5.55.

Wed. 25. Weather fine. Boys cultivated and sawed in a.m. Plowed sod in p.m. I made fence.

Thurs. 26. Weather fair and fine. Boys finished plowing sod in a.m. They cultivated and began to sow oats in p.m. Mr Will. Berger of Montgomery Co. Pa. came to our place in a.m. and stayed for night. I started rain and repaired rain box in p.m.

Fri. 27. Weather fair and warm. I took W. Berger to my fathers place in a.m. Came home for dinner a 1 p.m. Saw M. Hallman on way home. Boys sowed oats and cultivated. Gilbert harrowed and rolled in p.m. Bought of Is. Cressman 30 doz on eggs at 10 cts, paid \$3.00.

Sat. 28. Weather fair and fine. Hy Eckstein worked at water in other farm in a.m. Boys cultivated and sowed oats. iwas at Dundee in morning. Bought wrench and c in morning.

Sun. 29. Weather fair and fine. At home in a.m. At Sunday School in p.m.

Tuesday, May 1 Weather fair & cool. I wrote will in morning for Benj. D. Hallman. He was at our place for dinner. I got for writing his will \$1.25. At Dundee in p.m. Got Mrs. Toman to sign will, got fruit .75, I pd for repairs, blsmith 35[?]. Gilbert sowed barley, Ezra cultivated.

Wednesday, May 2 Weather fair & fine. My parents at my place on a visit & for dinner. Gilbert finished sowing barley & then harrowed, Ezra cultivated...sowed some oats in Evg.

Thursday, May 3 Weather cooler, & cloudy. Benj. Schlichter & T. Currents here in a.m. to sign Deed. T.Current & wife to B. Sch. Ezra finished cultivating & Gilbert finished sowing oats in morning. Ezra then disked peaground & Gilb. hauled stones off the same. I help[ed] some.

Friday, May 4, 1900 Weather mostly cloudy & cold, hard frost in morning. I took chop....to mill in morning & then had two shoes set & was at School (Arborday). Home at 12 N. I pd. for Ottawa Fire Sufferers \$5.00, M. Milgan for trees (school) \$1.40, 2 shoes .20, setting trees .40, sundres 40 [cents]. Ezra disked & Gilbert hauled stones, Herbert & I hauled stumps off peaground in p.m. Bot. of Is. Cressman 30 dozen eggs @ 10 [[?]] \$3.00 pd. H. D \$1.20 pd. F. D

Saturday, May 5 Weather fair & cold N.wind, hard frost in morning. At Dundee in morning. Got chop & Bran, home at 10.15 a.m. Cleaned some wheat for grist. At Blenheim (preparatory meeting) in p.m. D[avid] WismerY [preached] from Ex.12. Gilbert hauled stones in a.m., disked in p.m. Ezra disked all day. Pd. for chopping (1600lb) .80 & For 195 lb Bran \$1.65: T[otal] Current 75 [?].

Sunday, May 6, 1900 Weather fair, cold in morning & evg. warm at noon. Communion at Blenheim, D. Wismer (Luke 22 & 23). D. Wismer's, Jac. Woolner's & Jos. Nahrgangs with us for dinner.

Monday, May 7 Weather mostly fair, rather cool in morning. Herbert & I took cow to

Baden, sold to Hall & Krupp, weight 1000 lbs @ 3 [cents/lb] ,, \$32.50. I also exch. 11 20/00 bush Wheat....61 for 402 lb Flour & 136 Bran. I pd. for lime .30, for weighing 10 [cents], For Scip. for wife (1245 lb) \$8.72. I was owing her \$4.00, she now owes me \$4.72. Boys disked both in a.m. Ezra in p.m., Gilbert sowed some Peas in p.m. I repd. hydraulic Ram in p.m.

Tuesday, May 8 Weather cloudy with some showers of grain. Boys sowed some peas. I plowed between raspberry rows in p.m.

Wednesday, May 9 Weather cloudy & fair alt. & rather cold. We made fence in a.m. made fence in p.m. Boys sowed peas & harrowed.

Thursday, May 10 Weather cool with a strong N. wind & fair. Gilbert finished sowing peas in a.m. Ezra cultivated turnip ground in a.m. Eckstein & I made fence in a.m. Eckstein & Gilbert hauled manure in p.m. Ezra harrowed & Herbert rolled corn & turnip ground. I pruned apple...trees on other place in p.m.

Friday, May 11 Weather cloudy with a drizzling rain part of a.m. Wife & I at funeral of Jos[eph] Y. Shantz at GeigersY [meeting house, near New Hamburg, Wilmot Township] in a.m. Sermon by E.S. Hallman in Eng[lish] from Ps. 39:4 & by [Bishop] Am. CressmanY in Ger[man] from Rev. 14:13. Eckstein & Gilb. hauled manure & Ezra cultivated corn & turnip ground on other place. M.C. Bowman pd. me for Maria Bricker \$10.00 Bot. from A. Stager doz. eggs pd \$1.23 " " H. Dau " " H.S. Einwachter

Saturday, May 12 Weather mostly fair, warm in a.m. Cooler in p.m. I was at Berlin & Waterloo. Gilbert worked on Road, Ezra harrowed, Eckstein Spread manure. E.H. Thamer pd. me for 82.3 lb Butter @ .14, \$11.52. I pd. for rubbers .85, Registering Deed \$1.40, Sugar Beet Seed .70, Dinner & Hay .35, [Berlin] Chronicle [newspaper] 1.00, Setting 4 shoes.05, carfare .10, Mangel seed \$1.50, violin strings .15, Drawing book .05. Home at 6 p.m.

Sunday, May 13 Weather fair & warm, wife & I at Geiger Church, at Eli Goods for dinner, at Henry B. Cassels in p.m. when Communion was held, he being sick. At David E. Eby's for tea, home at 8 p.m.

Monday, May 14 Weather fair & cloudy alt. & very warm. We hauled 8 or 9 loads of manure in a.m. Ezra & I loading & Gilbert hauling. Boys plowed, & Gilb. spread manure in p.m. I was at Dundee getting 2 shoes set & a...made, pd for it 20 + 25 = 45 cts. I pd. Mrs. Is. Cressman for 30 doz. eggs \$3.00

Tuesday, May 15 Weather fair & warm. I chored round, plowed garden lot in a.m. Helped to plant some strawberries in p.m. Boys plowed for corn & mangles. At Dundee at Trustees meeting at McRae's office in Evg.

Wednesday, May 16 Weather fair & cloudy alt. & cool. Left home at 7 a.m. for the "Twenty" Annual Conference.Y Got to Preston at 9 a.m. To Galt per Street Car. Thence

to Hamilton G[rand] T[runk] R[ailway]Y by 12.20 a.m. Left there at 4.10 p.m. for H.G.&B. Street Railway, Got to Beamsville at 5.40, went with James Moyer for supper, To Church at the Moyer Church in Evg. To Christ[ian] Fretz for night, Street car ,, Preston to Galt .10, Fare Galt to Hamilton \$1.30, Dinner .10, Carfare .10, Hamilton to Beamsville 40[?], Coughdrops .05, Shave .10.

Thursday, May 17 Weather fair & cloudy alt. cool. Left Christ[ian] Fretz at 8 a.m. with Cyrus Summers. Thence to Conference at 9:30 a.m. Dinner at Chas Watson's. Back to Conference in p.m. To Dea[con] Wm. Fretz's for tea. Back to Church service in Evg. N. Stauffer [preached] on "Self,,denial," went to Isaac Culps for the night. Bought through Wm. Fretz, 500 Strawberry plants.

Friday, May 18 Weather mostly fair & cool. Left I. Culp's at 7.40 a.m. a short visit to Mr. Sol. Albright. Thence to Conference at 9 a.m. Got dinner there. Left Close of Conference at 5.20 p.m. for Andrew Kratz's for supper. Back to Church in Evg. Bish. Sam[uel] Wideman on "The Power of the Holy Spirit," Went to James Moyer's for the night. Borrowed from M.C. Boman pd. Wm. Fretz for plants A. Stager, 6 doz eggs 65[?] pd. Hy. Da...., 9 90[?] pd.

Saturday, May 19 Weather fair & cool. Left James Moyer's at 5.10 a.m. for Beamsville where we took the Trolley for Hamilton. Left Hamilton for Galt per GTR at 8.20 a.m. Got to Galt at 10.10. To Preston by Trolley, Thence with Abr. Hallman. Got home at 12.30 p.m. At Dundee in p.m. for Corn Strawberry plants &ct. Carfare .15, Corn & mangel seed \$2.57., ex...for plants .40, For [Toronto,,based] (3 wks) 1.00Y

Sunday, May 20 Weather mostly fair & cool. At Blenheim Ch[urch, Oxford County] S.S. In a.m. At home in p.m. Aaron Shantz's at our place in p.m. & for dinner.

Monday, May 21 Weather fair with a cool N.Wind. Plowed in garden lot in a.m., planted potatoes in p.m. Boys plowed corn & turnip ground. I pd. Milton for Exam. Fees 5.00.

Tuesday, May 22 Weather fair & rather warm. Herbert & I took cow to my Father's in a.m. which I sold to him for \$35.00 (got cash), stopped at Jac. C. Hallman's on way home. Got from him per E.H. Thamer, for logs \$44.00. Boys plowed for corn &c. I was at Mos[es] Bock's in p.m. helping to take down old barn.

Wednesday, May 23 Weather fair & warm, cloudy in evg. I was at M. Bock's in a.m. Ezra plowed in turnip patch. Gilbert marked out for corn. H. Eckstein here, he dug in garden lot in a.m. & planted corn in p.m. I planted some corn too &c in p.m.

Thursday, May 24 Weather fair & fine. At Blenheim Church in a.m. M.C. Bowman from Acts 1:10,11. At home in p.m. A. Swartz & M.C.B. here for dinner & Isaiah Witmers for tea. Boys planted some corn in p.m.

Friday, May 25 Weather fair & fine. I was at Hamburg in morning to witness Codicil to

Jos. Y. Shantz's Will, got 50 lbs corn & a bag for .85. Boys finished planting corn, we planted some potatoes in p.m. A. Stager 8 doz eggs @ .10; .80 pd. Trustee meeting this evening, decided about school pictures.

Saturday, May 26 Weather fair & fine, I was at Ayr & Goldie's Mill in a.m. Got 8 cow chains for \$1.50 8 lb Bean's for .25, 1000 lb corn chop for \$8.75, 457 midds for \$3.88, 560 Bran @ .80, \$4.48. Boys hauled stones, I finished planting potatoes in p.m. Got hair cut in evg., .15.

Sunday, May 27 Weather mostly cloudy with quite a shower in a.m. Wife & I at Detwiler Church in a.m. (Communion) Am[os] Cressman [officiating], at Mrs. Detwilers for dinner, at Blenheim S.S. in p.m. thence home.

Monday, May 28 Weather fair, aloudy alt. & warm. I chored round, fixing calf ties & plowing Mrs. Cressman's garden in a.m. Planted sunflowers & pumpkins in p.m. At Dundee in Evg. to see about hauling wheat. Saw eclipse in a.m.

Tuesday, May 29 Weather fair & warm. Hauled 4 loads of wheat to Dundee Mill 53.20, 66.19, 66.34 & 66.55, test 58 [lbs in a bushel?], price .63 [per bushel].

Wednesday, May 30 Weather mostly cloudy with a thunder shower in p.m. warm. Hauled 2 loads of wheat to mill, 66.11 & 67.06, Test 58 [lbs in a bushel?], price 63cts. Boys repd. fence in p.m. & I did some writing.

Thursday, May 31 Weather fair & cloudy alt. rather fine. Wife & I 1st to Jac. S. Hallman to see about mortgages. Thence to M.C. Bowman's for dinner, A.C. Bowman paid Int. \$100, We went to Jac. C. Hallman's on way home. He paid me part of Legacy of Jno. S. Hallman to Blenheim Mennonite Church \$250.00. Sam. Toman pd. me on Note of \$583, the sum of \$500 prin[cipal]. & \$29.15 Interest. Boys hauled stones & rep'd made fences.

Friday, June 1 Weather cloudy with a good deal of rain in p.m. Wife & I went to Berlin to settle for M.M.Sh[antz] farm.

got from Susanna, Zeller, On[t.] \$4500.00

Lydia Bergey " 100.00

Amos C. Hallman Pd. his Note 365.43

Manasseh Hallman My Note 500.00

Anna Bowman On my note 300.00

Mos. S. Bowman Est. Pd. This Note 106.06

Menno M. Shantz 3 notes 443.14

I paid M.M. Shantz farm 7000.00

" " Regi[ster] deed

" " " mortgage

" " " 2 disch[arges]

" put in Bank for Church 250.00

" " " " " private 495.00

" paid Lydia's Note & Int. 709.33
Saml. Shantz pd for Beef

Saturday, June 2 Weather fair & fine. Had S. Toman & wife execute mort. in a.m. Was at Mill got \$243.00. Went to Jesse B. Cassel & pd. him a Note of \$200 & \$4.16 Int....In p.m. chored round till A. Hunsperger & wife came & I did some work for him. Got .25 for it. Got from S. Toman for work & Rep's \$2.25. Wrote D.O.M. for Smith [&] Goften in p.m. In Evg. there was meeting at Blenheim when S.F. Coffman preached from Ps. 131:3.

Whit., Sunday, June 3 Weather fair & warm. Meeting & S.S. in Blenheim in a.m. S.F. Coffman from Titus 2:1,,3. Quite a no. of visitors for dinner. Jno. Detwiler from Indiana, Menno Heckendorn's & A. Swartz's, [prominent preacher from Vineland] S.F. Coffman, [preacher] M.C. Bowman & his mother David Shantz Ben. Rosenberger & others.

June Mon. 4 Weather fair and warm. Went to Waterloo with S. Toman to help him to get money out of bank. He paid me .30cts. I then went to Berlin and to Sunday School Conference at the C Eby church. Crowded house, good conference. I gave a short address on "Literature as a Factor in Sunday School." Gilbert took 6 hogs to Baden and sold them at \$6.25 per weight. They came to \$61.00. I paid Amelia \$5.00, Milton for board \$4.00, registering D.O.M. .70cts, weighing hogs .10cts.

Tues. 5 Weather fair and warm. We worked on the road. I was home part of the day doing some work for B. D. Hallman got for it .50cts. I was at Josi. Hallman's after tea making affidavit.

Wed. 6. Weather fair and warm. I wrote deed for Hawes to Kinsie in a.m. Was at Dundee sent away Mortgage to Woodstock enclosed \$1.54, postage .04. Boys with 2 teams and H. Eckstein worked on road. Got for writing deed Hawes to Kinsie \$1.00 for registration 1.40, 8 lb cheese .80cts.

Thurs. 7. Weather mostly cloudy with some rain. Eckstein and I worked in Butcher shop in a.m. We hauled stones in p.m. Ber. Schlichter here at noon and paid for deed (writing 1.25, registration 1.40) and for 3 1/2 lb cheese .35 cts.

Fri. 8. Weather fair and cloudy although with a little rain in p.m. I pruned some apple trees in a.m. Was at Dundee Mill for Corn chop in p.m. Boys hauled stones. I got from B. D. Hallman for work .25 cts. I paid for chop (Corn) 1580 lb at \$18.15 per ton \$14.33 Al Hallman paid me for Berphing \$2.00 Al Hallman paid me for Cst. 216.10.
H. Daunmann, 9 1/3 doz eggs (pd him) 90cts.
F. Daunmann, 7 5/12 doz eggs - (pd him) .75.

Sat. 9. Weather fair and cool. Went to Berlin in morning on bank and registration business. paid for deed Hawes to Kinsie \$1.40, Black board brushes (school) .50, copy book note paper and c, 36cts, dinner and hay .35, Lime .20, Got from bank \$226. Paid

Kauerspeyer est. \$204, Is. Bowman Est. \$88.40. Boys worked at turnip ground and c. Milton scuffed some corn in p.m. Paid for turnip seed at New Dundee 5 lb .72 cts. George Good from St. Jacobs came to see us for the night.

Sun 10. Weather mostly fair and rather warm. Mr. Good and wife, and my wife and I went to Fred Reier's for diner and we for supper. Home at about 7:30 p.m.

Mon. 11. Weather fair and rather warm. I scuffed corn. Boys sowed and harrowed turnip patches and Gilbert began to ridge in p.m. H Eckstein hoed sugar beets.

Tues. 12 Weather fair and warm, cool in morning. I sowed turnips. Boys ridged and rolled, and Ezra scuffed corn for a part of p.m. For 4 lb turnip seed \$0.56.

Wed 13. Weather fair and cloudy although with a heavy rain in evening. (thundered) Was at Dundee in morning, for midd, and c. paid for 2 bags of midd at .90cts per 100, \$1.28. I. Chipman for wire \$1.00, W Kriesel for hinges, and c. .60cts. H. Ecksten and Gilbert repaired wire fence along lane. Ezra scuffed corn. I helped M. M. Shantz at what in p.m. M. M. S. his sons Milton and Joshua at our place for night.

Thurs. 14. Weather fair and warm. I helped M. M. Shantz with a load of wheat and getting things out of the cellar in a.m. also pruned some trees. Ezra and I pulled weeds in p.m. Gilbert and Eckstein worked at wire fence 3/4 days for H. Eckstein. B.C. Hallman paid me for est. intrest on Mortgage \$149.00 I got for my share of one percent \$9.57. I got for B.C. Hallman then one percent, 10.35.

Fri. 15. Weather mostly fair and warm. I made gate and was at N. Cassel's and Abr. Hallman's in a.m. Boys worked at wire fence in a.m. Boys and I pulled weeds in p.m. I paid Mrs. Nathan Cassel intrest on mortgage \$119.45. She paid me note with intrest \$102.12. Paid for nails .20cts.

Sat. 16. Weather mostly fair and warm. I made gate in a.m. Boys repaired wire fence in a.m. We all pulled weed on other farm in p.m. Is. Cressman's children and Bert. Main helping. I got for 12 1/2 lb cheese at .10cts \$1.25.

Sun. 17 Weather fair and fine. At Blenheim Church in a.m. At home in p.m. I gave to collection for Minister's Fund \$1.00. To children .10cts.

Mon. 18. Weather fair and fine. I worked round gates and fences in a.m. Wife and I at funeral of Mrs. Benj. Martin at Detwiler's in p.m. Boys harrowed corn in morning. Ezra then scuffed and Gilbert hauled stones for rest of day. I paid Dan. D. Snyder for 10 for wire fence \$1.00.

Tues. 19. Weather fair and fine. I was at Dundee in a.m. for repairs and c. Paid for repairs, Snap and T for gate .35cts for 7 bolts .10cts. Sent for Canadian Horticulturalist \$1.00. Sent for "Northfield Echos," \$1.00. Expenses for do. .13 cts. Ezra scuffed corn and Gilbert made fence in a.m.

Wed. 20. Weather fair and fine. Scuffed corn, pulled weeds and c. Cut thistles. At Dundee school in p.m. hanging pictures.

Thurs. 21. Weather fair and fine. Eckstein 3/4 day cutting thistles. Gilbert cutting thistles and c. and Ezra scuffing corn, pulled some weeds. Amos Bock wife and daughter here in p.m. to hoe turnips and c. I was at school in a.m. repairing doors and c.

Fri. 22. Weather cloudy with a slow rain nearly all p.m. N. Stauffers at our place for tea.

Sat. 23. Weather fair and fine. At Berlin on bank business. Got from bank \$68.00 Paid dinner and hay .35cts. Paid Milton \$2.00. Paid Amelia \$5.00. Radish seed .05. Home at 7 p.m. via Petersburg. Boys cut thistles and in a.m. fetched binder in p.m. Paid freight on Rennst .45cts adn on express parcel from Eaton's .30cts. H. Ecksten cutting thistles, 1 new shoe 1 set .42cts.

Sun. 24. Weather fair and very warm. At home in a.m. At Sunday School in p.m.

Mon. 25. Weather fair and warm. We began making patent fence in a.m. Gilbert and Eckstein cut thistles in p.m. Ezra pulled weeds in p.m. I was at Dundee Mills for corn chop, 1300 chop \$11.80 115 bran .90cts. Sold calf for \$4.00.

Tues. 26. Weather mostly fair and very warm. M. Rellinger helped us to make Patent Fence in a.m. Ezra and I cleaned potatoes in p.m. Gilbert fetched tiles in Berlin in a.m. until 4 p.m. Delivered to Mos. Toman those we had borrowed. paid M. Rellinger for labor .65cts. Paid Ida who went to entrance exam .45cts. paid for tiles, 240, 3 in. \$2.40, 165, 2 1/2 in \$1.24, 25, 5 in. .50cts.

Wed. 27 Weatherfiar and cloudy although rather warm. We hauled earth to barn bank on other farm. H. Eckstein helping in p.m. Ezra at M. Bock's raising in p.m.

Thurs. 28 Weather fair and fine, a little early in morning. We hauled sand. Eckstein helping, and Trusseler in p.m. Gilbert at Bricker's raising. Paid Trussler for today .60cts, for cutting wood \$1.40. Paid weight beef ring for June \$5.00.

Fri. 29. Weather fair and cloudy although with a strong N. wind. I was at Dundee in morning in blacksmith shop store and c. Paid teachers. paid for nails and c. \$1.00, Blacksmith repairs .25cts, 1 shoe set .10cts, bought a pair of shoes. At M. Bock's raising from 10 a.m. till evening. Ezra also in p.m. Ezra scuffed turnips and a.m. Gilbert ground mower knives and cut some grass in evening.

Sat. 30. Weather fair and cool. Strong N.W. wind. We hauled sand in a.m. Eckstein helping. Gilbert cut some grass in morning and some in p.m. Eckstein cut thistles and c. in p.m. Ezra scuffed. Paid for machine oil .18cts. Eva 2.00, Milton 1.00, Gerbert and Ida each .25, Ezra .50.

July. Sun. 1. Weather fair and rather warm. At Blenheim and Sunday School in a.m. Isa R. I gave to collection for India Farmers \$10.00. Whole collection \$44.00. H. Baer and wife and some young people at our place for dinner.

Mon. 2. Weather fair and warm. I took 7 hogs to Baden in a.m. Weight 1205 lb, price \$5.85 per Cubic weight. Total \$70.50. paid for weighing .10cts. paid for Midd. (252) \$2.02. Home at 1 p.m. I cut grass in p.m. Boys and Eckstein hauled in 8 loads of hay. B.S. Martin and M. Chapman here in evening to get deed written. B.S. Martin paid me for writing \$1.25. M.C. for registration \$1.00. Ben Schlichter paid me for cheese .90cts.

Tues. 3. Weather mostly fair and very warm. I was at Roseville for 2 posts in morning, \$1.16 and saw B.S. Martin about deed. Home at 10:45 a.m. Wife and I left home at 11:45 a.m. for Berlin to attend funeral of cousin Diliman Eby, some business in Berlin also. paid for car fare .10cts. Blauks .60cts. Sent bank draft to Elkhart for India Farmers \$81.50. (\$44.00 for Blenheim Church and \$37.50 for Detweiler Church) Paid exchange .25cts. Eckstein in p.m. Made hay on heaps in p.m. Boys hauled in 2 loads in a.m. W. E. Shantz paid me for wood \$7.00, added him express charge .25cts.

Wed. 4 Weather fair and very warm. 90 in shade. Gilbert at B.S. Martin's in morning about deed. M. Martin came signed it. He paid me .50cts. I was at Dundee to see Jn. Baer and c. Got rope .25cts. Mending latch .05. We put in 5 loads of hay in p.m. Eckstein helping.

Thurs. 5. Weather foggy till 9 a.m. then fair and very warm. I was at Blair and Doon in a.m. Got M 49 for Moneer .50cts. I paid for Spr. Too. Cultivator \$42.40 to G. A. Tilt. Got 96 lb binder twine at Doon at .13cts \$12.48. I got due bill \$8.44. Home at 11:30 a.m. Brought in 6 loads of hay. Eckstein helping till 4 p.m.

Fri. 6. Weather fair and warm. I was at New Dundee in morning to get rope mended (dumper). Got new piece (30 ft.) for \$1.68. Pulley .30cts. Splicing rope (by Schwinz) .30cts. Eckstein helped till 4.20 p.m. Got in 8 loads of hay. Finished cutting home field in morning.

Sat. 7. Weather still warm, turning a little cooler towards evening. I cut about two acres on other farm in morning, and about 1 1/2 in evening after supper. Put in 7 loads at home (done.), and one load to Mrs. R. Bock from other farm in evening. Noah Shantz and I went to Jesse B. Cassels in p.m. on a business meeting of trustees of church. Got from G. Guthrie for cheese \$1.20.

Sun. 8. Weather cloudy and fair although cool. At home in a.m. At Sunday School in p.m.

Mon. 9. Weather cloudy and cool. Gilbert hauled manure in p.m. Eckstein loading.

Tues. 10. Weather fair and fine, somewhat cool. Took in 8 loads of hay from 1 field and 2 loads from other. Eckstein and Trussler helping.

Wed. 11. Weather fair in a.m. Cloudy with thunder showers and hail in p.m. Took in 5 loads of hay in a.m. Boys scuffed in p.m. W. Main, J. Trussler, and H. Eckstein in a.m.

Thurs. 12. Weather mostly cloudy and cool. I cut some grass in a.m. and a little in evening. Gilbert took a load to Dan. Griperich in morning. (1890 lb). In p.m. we took in nine loads of hay, Jns. Trussler and G. Main helping. Soem rather heavy.

Fri. 13. Weather mostly fair, cool a strong N.W. wind in p.m. WE cut the grass in the orchard in a.m. and took in 2 loads of hay. I wrote a will for Ernst Schneider in a.m. Gilbert brought Aaron Hanspeyer 2300 lb hay in morning. In p.m. we hauled in 7 loads of hay taking one of 2140 lb to Nathan B. Cassel in evening. H. Eckstein 3/4 day, Jns. Trussler 1 day.

Sat. 14. Weather fair and rather warm. We took in 5 loads of hay in a.m. finishing. I was at Roseville in p.m. for lumber. Got 10 boards for gates, 16'x5"x1", \$1.12 and 10 pieces cedar for \$1.25. Got from Bauk through Amelia \$25.00, gave it to Milton for board andc. Boys chored round in p.m.

Sun. 15. Weather fair and cloudy although very warm, shower shortly after noon. At Blenheim Church in a.m. Isa. Ro. from Hebrew 3:18 "They entered not in because of inbelief." At home in p.m.

Mon. 16. Weather fair and rather mild in a.m. Some rain at noon. Boys and Trussler hauled manure on other farm, about 30 loads. My brother Aaron and his wife came to our place in the evening for the night.

Tues. 17. Weather fair in a.m. Cloudy with heavy showers in p.m. Gilbert began to cut wheat, a few rounds in a.m. and few rounds in p.m. till the rain came. Ezra and Trussler hauled manure in a.m. Trussler spread some in p.m. I paid Trussler for labor in hay and manure 4 1/4 day at \$1.25, \$5.25.

Wed. 18. Weather fair mostly, rather warm in p.m. Boys cut wheat finishing 12 acre field. I was at New Dundee in morning at mill and also in evening getting corn chop. I paid for corn chop previously got \$7.54 for 1218 lb corn chop got today \$11.49. paid for snaps .15., oil cans .10 hoe .40, Bolt .02. Milton came home from Berlin today.

Thurs. 19 Weather fair and warm. Cut about 12 acres of wheat today, binder not working any too well.

Fri. 20. Weather fair and warm. Cut about 10 acres of wheat.

Sat. 21. Weather fair and fine. Finished cutting wheat today (about 9 acres) Got a bag of "standard" twine at Kriesel's.

Sun. 22. Weather fair and warm. Wife and I at Church at Cressman's in a.m., at M. M.

Shantz's for dinner and till 4:40 p.m. To D. Shuh's for tea. Home at 10:30 p.m.

Mon. 23. Weather fair and fine. Gilbert plowed sod and the rest of us hauled in 12 loads of wheat.

Tues. 24. Weather fair in a.m. Cloudy in p.m. with rain in evening and during night. Ezra and I took 10 fat hogs and 1 old sow to Ayr, sold them to Guthrie. The 10 weighed 1720 lbs at \$5.75, \$98.90. And the sow 430 at \$3.25, \$13.97. I got in all \$112.00. I paid for plow parts .30cts, for weighing .15cts. Gilbert plowed in a.m. All of us drew in 7 loads of wheat in p.m.

Wed. 25. Weather cloudy in a.m. with a little rain in morning. Fair in p.m. Wife and I at Preston with eggs in a.m. I got from G.A. Tilt, Blair, 17 thistle cutters for cultivating for \$4.25. I was at Staysville to see Mr. Knight about binder in p.m. Is. Cressman paid me on rent \$10.00. Boys plowed with two plows. We borrowed 995 lb oats from Is Cressman and got it 805 lb Sergs. chopped. Paid for it .85cts.

Thurs. 26. Weather fair and fine. Mr. Knight and Mr. Sproule here in a.m. and for dinner to make binder go. I gave my not for it \$120.00 to be paid by Nov. 1. '00. Gilbert cut barley in p.m. Milton, Ezra, H. Eckstein and Is. Cressman hauled in wheat, I taking H. Eckman's place in p.m. and he shocking barley till 4 p.m.

Fri. 27. Weather fair and warm. Gilbert cut barley in a.m. Other boys and Is. Cressman hauled in wheat in a.m. and bys and I in p.m. Gilbert helped Josi. Cassel thrashing barley in p.m. Eckstein 3/4 of a day shocking barley.

Sat. 28. Weather fair and rather warm. Gilbert helped Josi. Cassel to thrash till 10:30 a.m. Other boys and I hauled in wheat till 11 a.m. then Is Cressman helped till 6 p.m. and Eckstein in p.m. Ezra and Amelia to Breslan in evening.

Sun. 29. Weather fair and fine in a.m. Cloudy with some rain in evening. Meeting and Sunday School in Blenheim in a.m. At home in p.m. Jos. Nahrgary and Dav. Gehman's at our place for dinner and A.S. Bieher's for tea.

Monday, July 30 Weather fair & fine. Wife & I went to Berlin to funeral of Sister Susanna relict [?] of the late Abr. M. Weaver. Sermons preached by A. Cressman & D. Wismer. At the house (Dil. Bowman's) for dinner. Home at 5.30 p.m. Had horse "Ab" shod at Toman's Berlin \$0.80. Brot. bicycle along. Boys plowed sod on other farm. Milton spread manure & raked stubble.

Tuesday, July 31 Weather fair & cloudy alt. with a thunder shower in a.m. not much rain here. I was at H.D. Tye's Haysville in a.m. & bot 2 pigs (sows) for \$8.00. In Baden in p.m. At mill for Scip, &c. for wife I pd. for midds. .60, For Bran .50, for Scip for Is. Cressman \$1.51. Do[cument] for H. Eckstein 1.30, I got from J.F. Becker for writing Disch, & reg. &c. \$1.00, Pd. F. Holwell for affid[avit] .25, Sent to Berlin .50. Boys plowed in a.m. & scuffled turnips in p.m. Milton raked stubble.

Wednesday, August 1 Weather fair & fine, not very warm. I cut weeds in garden lot in morning, raked stubble from 10.30 a.m. till about 4 p.m. then scuffled turnips till 5.30 p.m. At Dundee for twine &c, in Evg. Pd. for 100 lb. Twine \$9.75, For Bran 51 ct. Boys & Is. Cressman hauled 34 loads manure.

Thursday, August 2 Weather fair & warm, Finished hauling manure in the morning. Then Milton began to cut oats & the rest of us, including Is. Cressman, began to draw in Barley.

Friday, August 3 Weather fair & fine. Finished drawing in Barley, cut oats & shocked Is. Cressman helping. Began cutting oats on Shantz farm in p.m.

Saturday, August 4 Weather fair & warm. Cutting & shocking oats.

Sunday, August 5 Weather fair & very warm. Wife & I at Geiger's in meeting. At Jos Nahrgang's for dinner & @ Danl. Shantz's for tea.

Monday, August 6 Weather fair & warm. Gilbert began to plow sod 3/4 day, Rest of us finished oats on Shantz farm in a.m. Ezra ganged [gang plowed] Barley ground in p.m. Milton shocked oats.

Tuesday, August 7 Weather fair & very hot. Gilbert plowed sod, Milt. Spread manure. Ezra ganged barley stubble. My parents with us for dinner. Got 6 plow shares for 1.80, 3 gang shares .60, 25 K....pts. .40.

Wednesday, August 8 Weather fair & hot, Gilbert plowed, Ezra ganged barley stubble in a.m. Milton & Eckst. spread manure. Ezra & I cut oats in cornfield in p.m. I pd. For machine oil .15.

Thursday, August 9 Weather fair & warm. Eckstein pulled peas 3/4 dy, The rest of us hauled in Oats ,, 17 loads at home & 1 load on Sh. farm. Pd in Beef Co. \$5.00.

Friday, August 10 Weather fair & warm. Took in 4 loads of Oats in a.m., Gilbert & Milton helped to thrash at Mos. Baer's in p.m. Ezra ganged & Herb harrowed in p.m. Eck[stein] at Peas.

Saturday, August 11 Weather fair & warm. Gilbert helped Stager's to thrash in a.m. & W. Toman's in p.m. The rest of us hauled in 12 loads of oats. Ecks[tein] at peas.

Sunday, August 12 Weather fair & cooler with some rain in Evg. At Blenheim Church & S.S. in a.m. Menno Cressman at our place for dinner & Dan. Eby's [and?] Wm. Bacherts for tea.

Monday, August 13 Weather cloudy & cool. Gilbert helped to thr[esh] at Howling's in p.m. Ezra finishing ganging in a.m.

Tuesday, August 14 Weather fair & cloudy alt. with a shower in Evg. Pulling peas H. Eckstein, D. Garinger, Jno. Trussler & W. Toman helping. Ezra plowed sod and Herb Disked on other farm.

Wednesday, August 15 Weather fair & cloudy alt. & rather warm. Gilbert, Eck (1/2) Garinger (3/4) pulled peas. Eva & I at Berlin in p.m. Got ticket to Moosomin for her \$28, Valise &c \$3.10, pd. her \$1.00, Peaches .35. Deposited money for Hallman Est. \$49.70. Stopped to see A.C. Bowman about thrashing on way home.

Thursday, August 16 Weather mostly fair & warm in p.m. Gilbert, H. Ecks[tein] (3/4) & D. Garinger (1) pulled peas, finishing. I was at J.C. Hallmans in p.m. to see A.C. Bowman about threshing. Pd. for splicing line .05.

Friday, August 17 Weather fair & fine. Boys plowed &c. I was at Preston in p.m. with eggs & fowls for R. Walder. Home at 6 p.m.

Saturday, August 18 Weather fair & fine. Hauled in oats & turned peas. I took Eva to Petersburg Station. She went off to Manitoba, I pd. her \$10.00

Sunday, August 19 Weather fair & cloudy alt. with rain at noon & in Evg. At home in a.m. At S.S. in p.m.

Monday, August 20 Weather fair & cloudy alt. rain in early morning & late in Evg. We got ready for thrashing in a.m. Thrashed in p.m. 300 Oats & 230 wheat. A.C. Bowman 3 men & machine

W. Toman

1 " Mr. Bock

J. Howling

1 " D. Garinger

F. Stager

1 " Jno. Trussler

D.H. Snyder

Jos. Cassel

Tuesday, August 21 Weather fair & cloudy alt. Gilbert plowed sod & Ezra disked. I chored round, hauled stones &c.

Wednesday, August 22 Weather mostly fair. At [New] Dundee in morning, got slip for plow .30, Bolts &c. & hinges .13, Gilbert worked plowed sod with 4 horse cultivator Till 4 p.m. & Ezra disked & harrowed till 5 p.m. We three turned peas, I wrote mort[gage] for Wm Spaetze. To Sam. Hallman At Dundee in Evg. to get signed. Got for writing & Regis &c. \$3.00.

Thursday, August 23 Israel Cressman got from here in all, 1299 lb oats. We turned peas & oats in field in a.m. Hauled in Bal. of Oats (4 loads) in p.m. Weather fair & fine.

Friday, August 24 Weather fair & warm, Got ready for thrashing in a.m. Put on 2 loads of peas. Thrashed 30 loads of Peas in p.m. (about 250 bushels) A.C. Bowman 3 men & machine W. Toman ½ J. Howling 1 F. Stager 1 M. Baer & team D.H. Snyder, 1 man Jos. Cassel 1 " M. Bock 1 Hy. Eckstein ¼ no. Trussler ½ Jac. Brunk ½

Saturday, August 25 Weather fair & warm. I was at Berlin on business. Stopped about an hour at Hy. Baer's on way home. Pd. for screen wire 80 cts. Dinner & Hay .35. Boys cleaned up from thrashing & put in 2 loads of peas in barn &c.

Sunday, August 26 Weather fair & warm. At Blenheim Ch. & S.S. in a.m. Isa. Ro[senberger] from Jno. 10:20. At home in p.m.

Monday, August 27 Weather fair & warm. Gilbert & H. Eckstein hauled manure & Ezra plowed. I was at Ayr in a.m. for Cement, Got 1 bag for 80 cts. Home at 11 a.m. I plowed in p.m.

Tuesday, August 28 Weather fair & warm, Gilbert, Eckst. & Ezra same as yesterday. I got some gravel & sand in a.m. & plowed in p.m. Got bags ready &c.

Wednesday, August 29 Weather fair & warm. Gilbert & Ezra plowed. Eckstein spread manure. H Granel here in morning to repair cistern. Herbert disked. Got bags ready & cleaned some wheat in Evg.

Thursday, August 30 Weather fair & warm. Gilbert & Ezra plowed, Herbert disked in a.m. Eckstein spread manure, helped me to clean wheat & to cup up old willow tree in a.m. He went away at noon. I took 46 Bush. wheat to Dundee Mill. Exch. 17 9/[100] bush. for 600 lb Flour & 20 lb Bran, & got 64 cts a bush[el] for remainder, \$18.+ got harness mended 30 cts, [one] gal[lon] seal oil .38.

Friday, August 31 Weather fair & warm. Boys plowed, Herbert disked. I was at Dundee with writings for Granel & McRae. Got for D.O.M. \$1.00, Stopped at School for a short time.

Saturday, September 1 Weather fair & warm. Boys plowed, Milton & I hauled stone off new land. I was at Dundee at Noon, (Granel & McRae).

Sunday, September 2 Weather warm, at home in a.m. At S.S. in p.m.

September Mon. 3. Warm, rain at noon. Boys plowed, Herbert disked. Milton and I cleared wheat for sseed in a.m. I got cheese ready (5 boxes) and c. in p.m.

Tues. 4. Weather fair and warm. Boys plowed, Herbert harrowed in p.m. I and Herb went to Petersburg with cheese in morning. I then took train for Berlin at 9:30 a.m. to get documents registered. I came back to Petersburg at 12.30. Came home with G. Bechtel. paid fare .35cts. Stage .25cts, registering deed 1.40, D.O.M. .50, previous (M. Chapman)

.15cts.

Wed. 5. Weather fair and warm. I chored round in a.m. At dundee in p.m. Paid for skimmer head .40cts. For setting shoe .10cts. Gallon measure .25cts. Gilbert sowed wheat about 11 1/2 acres. Ezra plowed and Herbert harrowed. Paid for Timoth seed (54 lbs) \$3.10 J. Kriesel and Co.

Thurs. 6. Weather cloudy with some rain in a.m. Fari and warm in p.m. Gerb and I harrowed in p.m. 3 horses in harrow. Is Cressman and Herb disked in a.m. Gilbert plowed in a.m. and sowed wheat in p.m. Ezra plowed. Jn. Chipman got a "jag" of hay in evening.

Fri. 7. Weather fair cool in mornign and warm in p.m. Gilbert sowed wheat. Ezra disked and Herb harrowed.

Sat. 8. Weather fair and warm. Gilbert sowed Early Arcadian. Ezra disked and harrowed. I getched 284 bushels Dawson wheat at Jn. Frieds for \$22.00 in p.m.

Sun. 9. Weather fair and warm. At Blenheim Church and Sunday School in a.m. At home in p.m. Inquiry meeting. M. Cressman from Matt. 18:1-3.

Mon. 10. Weather fair and warm. Boys plowed till 4.p.m. then Ezra disked and Gilbert hauled stones. Herbert rolled about 8 or 9 acres in a.m. then he and I hauled some stones.

Tues. 11. Weather fair and warm, windy in p.m. and night. I was at Waterloo in a.m. for pigs. Bought 8 from A. Quickfull for \$15.00. paid for Sassafras .10cts. Home at 12:30 p.m. I disked in p.m. Gilbert hauled stones in a.m. and sowed wheat in p.m. Ezra disked in a.m. and was at D.H. Snyder's helping to fill silo in p.m. Herbert harrowed (had borrowed horse from J. Chipman.)

Wed. 12. Weather mostly fair, cooler with a strong N. W. wind. Gilbert sowed wheat. Ezra was at D.H. Snyder's helping to fill silo in a.m. and harrowed in p.m. Gerbert harrowed in a.m. and disked in p.m. till 4 p.m. I disked in a.m. and also wrote Mortgage for Mster. I was at Dundee in p.m. with 260 lb mixed oats and peas for chop. Paid .13cts. pdi for midd. \$1.00.

Thurs. 13. Weather fair and fine. I was at Berlin at Conference. Got two deeds and one Mortgage registered in a.m. Paid for deed Spetzel 1.80, Mortgage do. 1.10, deed Master 1.40, paid at Conference \$4.56, Hay .10cts, Peaches .90. Home at 9 p.m. Gilbert finished sowing wheat in a.m. and made 95 gals. cider in p.m. Ezra harrowed.

Fri. 14. Weather fair and somewhat cooler. Boys plowed stubble. I chored round bot silo ready etc.

Sat. 15. Got ready for cutting corn.

Sun. 16. Weather warm. Wife and I at Blenheim Church in a.m. aT Mos. Cressman's for dinner. Home at 6 p.m.

Mon. 17. Weather fine and cool. We cut corn today. Gilbert, Ezra, Eckstein, Trussler and Phil Appel with sickles and Benj. Snyder with a corn binder. I cut round fences etc.

Tues. 18 Weather fair and fine. Ben Snyder finished cutting corn at 10 a.m. Gerbert the took his binder to Williamsburg. A.C. Bowman and Gary came with engine and cutting box and we put corn in Silo on other farm. Nearly 7 acres almost filling it. WE and P. Appel, A. Arnold, J. Trussler, W. Toman's men Mos. Bear and hired man, Gilbert, Ezra and I. I paid Ben Snyder \$5.00.

Wed. 19. Weather fair and cloudy although cool. We filled silo at home in a.m. Men same as yesterday except J Trussler who could not come. Baldie Cressman drove team. We sawed wood in p.m. A.C.B. and his two men helping. I paid P. Appel for 2 1/2 days \$2.50. I paid A. Arnold for 1 1/2 days \$1.50.

Thurs. 20. Weather cool, some rain during last night. Gilbert plowed till 4 p.m. Then he and Wm. Toman killed beef for H. Eckstein. Ezra took wagon and sawhorse and unloaded corn wagons, helping in a.m. and he plowed in p.m. I plowed from 4 to 6:30 p.m. Wife and I at funeral of H. Eckstein's infant from 1 to 4 p.m.

Fri. 21. Weather mostly cloudy and cold. A heavy thunder shower during last night. I was at Ayr in a.m. for cheese boxes got 19 for .95cts. Bought a pair of shoes for Herbert at Baker's for \$1.50. I had 26 lb Tallow for which I got \$1.00.

Sat. 22. Weather fair and cloudy and fine. At funeral of H.B. Cassel at Blenheim in p.m. N. Stauffer in evening and A. Cressman in German. English text - Isa. 38-1, German Heb. 6-8. Boys finished plowing stubble field in a.m. Repaired fences andc. in p.m. Mos. K Snyder's at our place for dinner.

Sun. 23. Weather fair and cloudy and rather cool. At Blenheim Church and Sunday School in a.m. Sermon by S. Gerhman from Luke 11-40.

Mon. 24. Weather mostly fair and rather warm. I was at Berlin for cheese boxes. Got 15 at Metcalfs for .75, 14 at Boehmens for .60. 5 at Dukes' for .25, and 5 at Brubakers for .25. paid for driver .25, for pencils .28, for blanks .15. Boys set off power for cutting corn, and took a load of hay to Chipman weighing 1570 lb. He got before 640 lb. Total 2210 lb. Sold to Dav. Gehrman 11 lb cheese at .10cts. - \$1.10. boys harrowed etc.

Tues. 25. Weather fair and fine. I boxed cheese in a.m. In p.m. I took 57 boxes - 11783 lbs to Petersburg Station to ship to Park Blackwell Co. Boys got H.P. and straw cutts ready in a.m. Harrowed in p.m. Wrote a deed in evening for Sam Hallman.

Wed. 26. Weather fair and fine. Boys hauled in cornstal. I chored round white washing celler etc. Got from S. Hillman for writing deed \$1.25. Mrs Horst here for dinner to get

will written. Dr. Ratz and Dr. Rice here in p.m. to get deed written.

Thurs. 27. Weather fair and fine. Boys hauled corn stalks. I did some writing and chores.

Fri 28. Weather fair and fine, cool in morning. I was at Dundee in a.m. At cooper shop, at Dr. Ratz's and at Chipmans hardware in at Thayers. I hauled corn (ears) and sunflowers from cornfield in p.m.

Sat. 29. Weather cloudy, rain in a.m. I did some writing etc in a.m. At Dundee in p.m. Got from W. Kriesel for writing .50cts. I paid for apple purer .60cts, for tub hoops etc at Alex Smiths. Gilbert helped D.H. Snyder to thrash in p.m.

Sun. 30. Weather fair and fine. At home in a.m. At Sunday School in p.m. At Abr. Hallman's for a call after tea.

October Mon. 1. Weather cloudy and foggy in morning, after that fair, rather warm. At Berlin via H. Baer's. At Mrs. Horst's Bugeport for dinner, home at after 2 p.m. Got from Bank, Bowman est. \$21.00. Got draft of J W. Berry \$21.00, ex. .25cts. Got from Bank, Hunsberger est. \$270. Got from Bank, my own 200. Got from Bank, school check, \$58.20. paid Blauks (deed etc.) \$1.85. Tear searches .60, peaches .45, grapes .18, for draft .25. Gilbert helped D.H. Snyder to thrash. Ezra plowed stubble.

Tues. 2. Weather fair and warm. I was at Dundee in a.m. Paid teachers etc. Gilbert and Ezra plowed in a.m. and Ezra in p.m. Gilbert helped Jos. Cassel's thrashing in p.m.

Wed. 3. Weather fair and fine. I did chores in a.m. In p.m. wife and I went to her mother's place, stopping at Jac. S. Hallman's on way. I paid M. Hallman's note of \$500, with \$8.43 interest. Park's cheque for \$209.43, and \$299 cash. Ezra went to Galt show, I paid him \$1.00. Gilbert helped W. Toman's to thrash in a.m. A. Schloman helped Cassel for me in a.m. A. Schloman helped W. Toman for me in p.m. P. Appel helped W. Toman for me in p.m.

Thurs. 4 Weather fair and fine. Wife and I attended funeral of Mrs Burkholder in a.m. Brought Mrs. J.K. Brulaker and her daughter along for dinner. We took them to D. Eshelman's in p.m. for supper. Gilbert plowed, Ezra plowed till 11 a.m., then went to D.H. Snyder's to act as hosts at funeral. A. Schloman and P Appel for me at W. Toman's ¾ day.

Fri. 5 Weather fair and warm. I was at Haysville and at Jac. Hanspeyers in a.m. Eckstein and I dug potatoes in p.m. Eckstein 1/4 day. Boys finished plowing field at 5 p.m. They then brought in potatoes. Milton paid me his wages for 3 months, \$78.75. gave him \$1.00. I paid Jac. Hanspeyer for Hanspeyer est. \$20.00.

Sat. 6 Weather mostly fair and rather warm. We all worked at potatoes in a.m. Gilbert went to Conestoga in p.m. I went to school exam and Ezra repaired fences etc.

Sun. 7. Weather cloudy with rain in p.m. turning colder in evening. At Blenheim Church and Sunday School in a.m. Is Cressman's with us for dinner. Jos. Nahrgary spoke from Rom. XII: 1,2, and 11.

Mon. 8 Weather mostly fair with a cold N. wind. I took 4 hogs to Baden. Sold to Hall and Knepp, weight 830 lbs at $53\frac{3}{4}$ a lb, \$47.75. I bought for wife 1065 serg chop at \$13 a ton, \$6.90. Boys plowed stubble.

Tues. 9 Weather fair and fine. Boys helped Mos. Baer thrashing 2 days. gilbert went away in evening to go to Markham.

Wed. 10. Weather fair and fine. Ezra and Eckstein helped M. Baer thrash $\frac{3}{4}$ of a day. A. Schlirman helped for me at Mos. Bock's. I got apples ready in p.m. for making cider.

Thurs. 11. Weather fair and fine. I made cider at Beckers in morning. (83 gals, 83 cts.) Ezra plowed. A .Schlirman at M. Bocks $\frac{1}{2}$ a day for me.

Fri 12. Weather rather fine. Ezra sick, could not work. Dan Cressman's from Kansas came to our place in evening for night.

Sat. 13. Weather rather fine. Ezra plowed. I chored round, did some writing.

Sun. 14. Weather cooler. Wife and I at Latschen church. N. Stauffer Phil. 2:5. At H. Baer's for dinner. Home at 6 p.m.

Mon. 15. Weather fair and fine. I did some writing. Deed Clemmens to J Horst. Mrs. Horst and daughter and some in lend here in morning. Boys began at Manpels. From M. Hansberger for 9 lb cheese 9.00.

Tues. 16. Weather fair with rather a cold N.W. wind. I did some writing (Church Calenders). Jns. Dirstein and wife came here on a visit for night. I was at Dundee in evening. Got two bags flour, some lime, and some sstore articles. Boys worked at Manpels.

Wed. 17. Weather mostly fair and cool. First heavy frost this morning. Let Mr. and Mrs. Jns Dirstein have horse and buggy to go visiting. Wrote at Church Calanders in a.m. Deed Spaetzel to Geiger in p.m. Got from Wm Spaetzel balence for mortgage and registering deed. \$1.05. Got for writing and registering deed Jac. Shantzie batlence to Dan. Geiger \$3.00. Got for writing Elizabeth Spaetzels note principle 50.00, interest 2.25 = 52.25. Got for writing Wm. Spaetzels not principle 75.00, interest 3.15 = 78.15. Got on Wm Spaetzel's note principle 230, interest 12.00 = 242.00. Total of all sums, 372.40. Paid Wm. Spaetzel for collar 5.00, repairs .40. Paid Wm Spaetzel Rachel Bock (coal) \$25.86. Boys at Manpels.

Thurs. 18. (Thanksgiving Day) Weather fair and rather cool. At Blenheim Church in

a.m. Is. Rosie from Rom. XII. Got collection for poor \$12.00. I was at Dundee in p.m. Boys at Manpels in p.m.

Fri 19. Weather fair and rather cool. Went with Geo. Bechtel to Manheim (J. Berggs) Got father's horse, went thence to Waterloo to order printing of Church Calenders at Chronicle office. Thence to Berlin registry office registered deed Spaetze to Geiger \$1.55. Got Canadian History .50, Blank's .25, book .25. (all at Beckers), deposited in Bank of Commerce \$350.00. Got tablets (2) .20. I came to my fathers at 12:40 for dinner there got my horses and came home at 2:30 p.m. Then went to Dundee Beef Meeting. (Subscribed \$2.00 stock in Farmer's Binder Twine Co. at Walkerton). Home at 6 p.m. Boys finished Manpel's in a.m., plowed in p.m.

Sat. 20. Weather fair and cool, though somewhat milder. Hard frost in morning. I did some writing and hauled two loads turnips and one corn in a.m. Wife and I at Blenheim Church (preparatory meeting) in p.m. D. Wisner preached. Gilbert and Herb plowed. Ezra picked apples. From H. Hillman 11 lb cheese at \$1.10.

Sun. 21. Weather fine. Meeting at Blenheim (Communion). All present partook, some not present. D. Wisner's at our place for dinner. Also John Benjamin, O. Stauffers and Eph Snyder.

Mon. 22. Weather fair and cloudy although rain in p.m., evening and night. I did some writing in a.m. Brought home some wook, pumpkin etc. Boys plowed, finished field north of house.

Tues. 23. Weather cloudy in a.m. with rain in morning. Boys brought Mrs. Rachel Bock some straw in a.m. 1040 lb. Gilbert and J. Brunk worked at pipes (raw) I was at Berlin and Brideport, did writing for Mrs. Horst. (2 deeds, will, agreement etc.) Got for writing \$6.00) Home at about 8 p.m.

Wed. 24. Weather fair and cloudy and mild. gilbert and I Brunk and I sometimes forked at pipes, got water to come. Ezra worked at turnips. I took 1/2 cord of wood to Jac Brunk for \$1.75. I bought a shovel (scoop) for \$1.00. P Cards and Stauffers .50.

Thurs. 25 Weather cloudy and foggy. I was at Blenheim church in p.m. Boys finished topping turnips in p.m. Took in three loads of turnips in a.m.

Fri. 26. Weather fine and mild. Took in 12 loads of turnips today.

Sat. 27. Weather mostly fair and mild. Picked up 11 loads of turnips in a.m. Boys took 2 of them to Amos Bocks in p.m.

Sun. 28. Weather fine. At home in a.m. At Sunday School in p.m. At Jesse B. Cassels for tea.

Mon. 29. Weather cloudy in a.m. Fine in p.m. We topped and harrowed out 1 acre of

turnip in p.m. G. Main pulled some, and Eckstein a few rows in a.m. We hauled in 2 loads in evening.

Tues. 30 Weather cloudy with a lot of rain. I was at Waterloo and Berlin. Read part of proof for Calanders. At Berlin in registry office etc. Dinner .25, hay .10, postage .10 carfare .10 envelope .50. Got from Bank \$100.00. Paid Binder, sent in registered letter. \$120.

Wed. 31. Weather cloudy. Took 1500 lb hay to J.M. Weber today. Boys plowed.

Thursday, November 1 Weather cloudy & mild. We took 5 loads of Turnips in.

Friday, November 2 Weather fine, We took in 12 loads of turnips.

Saturday, November 3 Weather fair & fine. At Waterloo & Berlin, I got dinner at E.C. Bowman's at Chron. Office. Brot. Mrs. E.C. Bowman along home pd. Book .60, Hay .10. Boys brot in 11 loads of turnips. H. Granel plowed for \$2.50. G. Main 1 load for pulling turnips, At meeting of Trustees in Evg. Sent to Binder Twine Co. Walkerton \$100, got it out of bank.

Sunday, November 4 Weather mostly fair & fine. At Blenheim Ch. in a.m. Jos. Nahrgang Math. V:6, 14, 20. Edification Meeting at our place in Evg.

Monday, November 5 Weather fine in a.m. Cloudy in p.m. with a storm at 4 p.m. Took away 12 loads of Turnip's, 2 of them to Eckstein, 2 to Is. Cressman & 1 to Wm. Main. Virtually finishing.

Tuesday, November 6 Weather cloudy & fair alt. with a rather cold N.W. wind. I was at Berlin, Took some eggs along, Stopped at Levi Hallman's on way & got money for note held by Jos. Hallman Est[ate] deposited same in Bank. D.B. SchneiderY & I at Louis Ernst, pd. him \$5. on note against Reichert Est[ate]. Brot some sewer tiles from D.M. Shoemaker's. Pd for Dinner & Hay .35, Rep. Spect. .10, 5 8,,in[ch] tiles \$2.15. Boys repd. finces & brot in some partly rotten turnips.

Wednesday, November 7 Dominion Election to,,day, I was at Dundee on some business & to cast vote at election, had horses shod, 4 new, 4 set. \$1.40, Repair .25. Boys plowed, Gilbert down to vote at Dinner hour.

Thursday, November 8 Weather cloudy & rather cool, Worked at apples Boys plowed.

Friday, November 9 Weather cloudy & rather mild. Boys plowed, Finished one field in a.m. Began another in p.m.

Saturday, November 10 Weather cloudy & cold. Wife & I at Preston with eggs. Sold 100 doz. Home at 2.15 p.m. Milton & Ezra plowed. Gilbert helped Jno Howling to thrash. Wife pd me \$8.22 which she had been owing me. Sent money to Mary Ann

Pickett & Josi. Hunsperger

Sunday, November 11 Weather cloudy mostly At home in a.m. At S.S. in p.m.

Monday, November 12 Weather cloudy & rather cold. I plowed til 9.30 a.m. Then chored round &c. Gilbert helped Howling [?] day thrashing. Then plowed rest of day, Ezra plowed all day. Advanced to Beef Co. \$43.11. Settled with Jno. Hall for cattle.

Tuesday, November 13 Weather cloudy with snow. I was at J.C. Hallman's for some lumber in a.m. Got 1 2/5 elm plan[ks] @ \$14. per M [1000 board feet?] & 200 ft. cull boards for \$1.75. Had previously got 625 ft plank @ \$14.00, Total pd. \$12.95 I Got from A. Smith for Beef \$4.71, From W. Futher do[cument] \$4.44. I pd. A. Smith's acct. \$2.65. Boys plowed in a.m. Too much snow in p.m. Jac. C. Hallman pd. bal. of Beef acct. \$4.40.

Wednesday, November 14 Brod some sand to Horse Stable to fill up, expecting carpenter to lay floor, he did not come. Hung up barn door in morning.

Thursday, November 15 Weather cloudy & somewhat snowy. We cleaned at other barn 53 00/00 bush. wheat & took it to Dundee Mill & sold it for 63 cts a b. Test [weight] 60 [pounds], Total \$33.51, pd. for a broom .30. Had Dexter & Fan shod in a.m. 5 set & 3 new at Kolen. Got from S.H. Snyder for Beef \$5.00, being 41 cts too much.

Friday, November 16 Weather cloudy & fair alt. some snow in a.m. Cleaned up & took to Dundee Mill, a load of wheat about 47 bush. Exch. 16+ Bush. for 600 lbs of Flour & midd., instead of Bran, got cush \$20 10/00 Daughter Eva came home from Man[nheim] in Evg. Sent registered letter containing \$20 to Wm. Hunsperger, Didsbury Alta in p.m.

Saturday, November 17 Weather cloudy, foggy, with a little rain in p.m. Took young cattle to other barn, got stables ready, & put up gate &c in a.m. Cut corn & got a load of Straw from other barn in p.m.

Sunday, November 18 Weather cloudy with some rain in p.m. At Blenheim Ch. & S.S. in a.m. At home in p.m. M. KressmanY spoke from Matt. XXII:20 (good sermon).

Monday, November 19 Weather cloudy with rain almost all day. I worked at other barn for some time. Boys plowed some in a.m. Chr. Cressman & Jno. Karcher here in morning to see about writing deed. At Dundee in Evg. Got Man[ure] fork .80, file .18, Bolts .10, hook .03, Rope .12.

Tuesday, November 20 Weather cloudy for day with a little rain in Evg. I was at Preston with eggs, & got a Turnip pulper of P[eter] E. Shantz['s foundary], a.m. to pay 2 loads of 2nd class wood & enough cash to make \$10. At Galt with Street car. Pd. for drive .25 Carfare.15 Boys plowed in p.m. Got basket at Dundee for .20.

Wednesday, November 21 Weather cloudy with a high wind, with some rain & thunder

in a.m. I did chores &c. picking over turnips. Boys chored round, cut corn, &c.

Thursday, November 22 Weather fair & cloudy alt. mild. We Killed two hogs today, made sausage, all ourselves.

Friday, November 23 Weather mostly fair & rather cold. I took apples to Spaetzel's Mannheim to be made into apple syrup. Came home at 12:30 p.m. Got Mr. C. Beckman to come tomorrow to put floor in horse stable. Boys finished plowing corn & turnip ground & some in garden lot. I was at Abr. Hallman's on business in p.m.

Saturday, November 24 Weather cloudy & not very cold. Eva & I went to Waterloo where I got Church [preaching] Calenders & paid \$11.80 for Insurance of School House. Then to Berlin, where I got \$75 from Bank for me, & \$75 for Hallman est[ate]. To W.E. Shantz's for dinner, Home at about 5.30 p.m. Ezra helped F. Stager to thrash. C. Beckman made a stable floor (3/4 day) N[athan] B. Cassel pd me for hay [\$]10.15.

Sunday, November 25 Weather cloudy with rather a cold wind. At home in a.m., At S[unday] S[chool] in p.m.

Monday, November 26 Weather fair & cloudy alt. with a cold N. wind. We thrashed to day, 325 bush wheat, 400 bu. Oats, 35 barley, 16 peas, & 26 Peas & Oats. Total 802.

Aaron Bowman,
Machine & 3 men

W. Toman,

1 man, A. Schlierman

J. Howling,

1 " Jas. Bergey

M. Baer,

1 " Amos Bock

F. Steger,

1 " Hy. Eckstein

D.H. Snyder,

1 " Dil. Hunsperger 3/4 day

Jos. Cassel,

I made some calculations for my father, got 25[?]

Tuesday, November 27 Weather fair & cloudy alt. & fine. Thrashed again, finished at home. Men same as yesterday, except AM Bock did not help, 29 bush wheat, 238 bush. barley, 281 Oats, Total, 854. I pd. Dil. Hunsperger, Note to Sam Hunsperger for cow \$35.

Wednesday, November 28 Weather fair & cloudy alt. & mild, Thrashed again on Shantz farm. Men same as yesterday, 420 bush. Oats, & 240 wheat, Total 660. Paid Taxes \$76.49.

Thursday, November 29 Weather mostly cloudy & not very cold. I was at Dundee in

Morning, getting paper twine & mucilage [?] 20 cts. Packed & addressed Church Calendars till 4 p.m. Then took them to Dundee to mail them, pd. postage 78 cts. Got 30 p. curds, .30. Boys took a load of hay to H. Granel, 1610 lb @ \$10 a ton.

Friday, November 30 Wife & I went to Berlin with eggs &c. I sent an Express order of \$5 to Menno E. Hunsperger, Napierville Ill. & one of \$3.33 to Mrs. Melvin Larrabee, Port Huron Mich. Cost of Orders .08, postage .04 pd. for lunch (wife & I) .30, biscuits (bal.) .11, sund. .06. Boys got some Barley & oats chopped. I have a severe cold with cough just now. Got worse today.

December Mon. 3 WEather mostly fair and fine. At home all day. Jesse B. Cassel's, Mrs. Henry Cassel, and Simon Cressman's at our place on a visit and for dinner. Sold S. Cressman's 12 lb cheese at .12 cts. \$1.44. S.C. paid me balance on beef .12cts. Ezra helped F Steger's to thrash.

Tues. 4. Weather mostly cloudy with a little drizzlin rain in p.m. Gilbert took 1010 lb hay to Jns. Chipman in a.m. Gilbert plowed sod in p.m. Wife and Ezra went to Preston with eggs. I paid James Bergey \$2.75 for labor (2 3/4 days). I weighed Is Cressman's oats into his bin in p.m.

Wed. 5. Weather cloudy and fair although turning cooler. Gilbert plowed in a.m. and took a load of wood to Weber Bros. in p.m. Ezra hauled rails in a.m. and plowed sod in p.m. I was at Dundee at A. Hanspeyer in a.m. and did some chores. In p.m. I was at Blenheim church helping to repair floor etc. At Guthrie's in p.m. He paid me \$5.00 on beef account. At Josi. Hallman's in evening to make affidavit on deed.

Thurs. 6. Weather cloudy and mild. Started from home at 6:20 a.m. and to Dundee thence to Petersburg with G. Bechtel. Took train for Hanover where I got at 1:30 p.m. Got dinner at Kirchener's Hotel. Thence I walked to Isaac Hanspeyers where I stayed for the night. I got from wife 5.00. I got express order for \$5.00 to Ezra Hanspeyer N. Dakota. I got express order for \$1.40, G.R. Patueer registration. cost for same .07, Stamps .04 cts. Fare Petersburg to Hanover and return \$4.20. Bus fare .15, dinner .25, sand .05.

Fri. 7. Weather cloudy with snow last night at Hanover. I stayed at Is. Hanspeyers for dinner. He took me to Hanover Station. I took train at 1:30 p.m. for Elmwood. (paid ticket .35.) At Uncle C. Eby's for supper with them to church where H. Gondie preached a "Home Mission" sermon from Rom. 10:16. (Gave to collection .10cts) Went to J. Dirsteins for night. Gilbert took 1 load of wood to Dr. Rice for \$3.25.

Sat. 8. Weather cloudy and colder. Left J. Dirsteins at 7:10 a.m. Took train got to Petersburg at 11:45 a.m. Home with Bechtel paid him .25. Fro Globe \$1.00l Fot from wife \$15.00 Sent to registry office \$1.50 (postage .05) A. Schliman 1400 lb straw. I.A. Bock 2 loads wood to Garland \$6.50.

Sun. 9. Weather cloudy windy with some snow in p.m. At home in a.m. At funeral of

Jm. odes in p.m.

Mon. 10. Weather rather cold, N. W. wind. Ezra took hay to Milton's ... Gilbert and I loaded hay for Bechtel. Gilbert took it to farm in p.m. 2390 lb at \$16 a ton \$11.95. I was at Dundee in p.m. ... postage .08. (parts missing because copy too light to read.)

Tues. 11. Weather fair and cloudy although with snow flurries. W. wind.
(the rest of text for this day copy is too light.)

Wed. 12. Weather cold with a W. wind, milder in evening. Wife and I at my father's place for dinner and at A. Swartz's for tea. Ezra did chores and clipped calves.

Thurs. 13. Weather mostly cloudy with a cold N.W. wind and flurries of snow in p.m. We cleaned and bagged a load of what in a.m. I took it (55.25 a bushel) to Goldie's in p.m. Sold it for .63. \$34.91. Thence to Ayr for Cheese boxes and a bunch of shingles. Paid for shingles .70cts. For cheese boxes .30. court plaster, .05. Dan. Geingrich paid me for hay \$8.90, I borrowed from Mrs. Is. Cressman \$1.10. I repaid Eva 4.00. Gilbert helped Jos. Cassel to thrash in p.m.

Fri. 14. Weather fair and cold N.W. wind. I was at home doing chores. Ezra helped Josi. Cassels to thrash. Gilbert at Berlin via Petersburg. Took eggs for J.A. Auck to Petersburg Station and got cheese boxes at Berlin. Paid for cheese boxes .45cts, whip .30, sanders .50.

Sat. 15. Weather fair and cloudy and cold. I was at Dundee in a.m. Got padlocks .80. At Baden in p.m. Got Schol Taxes for Wimot \$649.54.. Home at 6 p.m. Paid Jonas Hanspeyer for est. \$4.00. Gilbert helped Josi. Cassel to thrash 1/2 day, in a.m.

Sun. 16. Weather fair and cloudy although rather cold. At Blenheim meeting and Sunday School in a.m. At home in p.m.

Mon. 17. Weather cloudy and not very cold. Rather damp E. wind. I was at Dundee in morning about school matters. Paid Wm Main for school work \$1.00. For work in haying \$1.00. C. Beckman for laying plow in horse stable \$1.00. H. Einwachte for gravel for school yard. Wife and I started from home at about 2 p.m. took Arnie and Walter Bowman of Michigan to Israel Shantz's thence we went to Berlin and to D. Shuh's for the night. I left \$50.00 with A.B. McRae for Miss Lancaster salary. A.B. McRae I had paid for dogskin.50.

Tues. 18. Weather milder with E. Wind. I went from D. Shuh's to Wm Bachert for a calf. Paid for it \$1.50. Wife and I left at Shuh's for Berlin at 10 a.m.. To Berlin. Came home at 1:30 p.m. I paid for pocket knives for boys. \$1.75. For Hellebin .30, for cough medicine .25. Deposited in bank \$460.00. H Baer's at our place in evening. Ezra helped Mrs. Dinger to cut wood.

Wed. 19. Weather fair and mild. Got oats and barley and peas and barley ready and

brought them to chopping mill, Dundee in a.m. 2060 lb and some before. \$1.76.
Put cheese in boxes (1116 lb) and Gilbert took it to Petersburg Station. Ezra at other farm in p.m.

Thurs. 20 no entry

Fri. 21 no entry

Sat. 22 no entry

Sun. 23. Weather cloudy and fair although with a little rain in a.m. At home in a.m. At Sunday School in p.m. G. Hallman's at our place in evening for tea.

Mon. 24. Weather cloudy with rather a cold W. wind. Took a horse to Weber's Dundee in a.m. At Funeral of Sam. Hallman in p.m. Full church. Sermon by P. Cober, Text "Let me die into death of the righteous and let my last sin be like his." Benj A. Bowman and wife from Michigan and A.S. Beiber and wife with us for dinner.

Tues. 25. Weather cloudy, rather cold. Wife and I went to church at Latscher's in a.m. To wife's mother's place for dinner and a family gathering. Home at about 6 p.m.

Wed. 26. Weather cloudy and colder. At Dundee and school meeting in a.m. I got re-elected frustee. I was in bush showing Dan Gingrich where to cut wood in p.m.

Thurs. 27. Weather mostly cloudy, not very cold. Wife and I left home at 8 a.m. and went to Petersburg Station. took train for Breslan to Bible Conference. Got there at 10:20 a.m. Went with M.M. Shantz for the reader. Paid ticket \$1.20. Paid Milton \$5.00.

Fri. 28. Weather cloudy and rather cold. Took 10:50 train for Berlin where I registered discharge for J.F. Master. Got money in bank (school) \$525 and collected cheque. M. F. Anslie \$104. In C Bitzers office to make affidavit in regards to execution Sam Hallman's will. In E.P Clements office the same in Rodas will. Went back to Breslan partly in ... got there at 1:30 p.m. Left breslan at 7:30 p.m. for Petersburg. Thence home where we got at 10:30 p.m. Paid for registration D.O.M. .60cts.

Sat. 29. Weather fair and cloudy and fine. At Dundee on business in a.m. Got Gly shod. p.m. shoeing horses. \$1.10 paid scool money to Alex McDonald \$651.00. At Blenheim Church in p.m. At business meeting. Paid insurance \$13.54. Church expenses 1.50, minister's fund 1.00, insurance for Rachel Bock 1.43. Ab. Rickerts came to our place for the night.

Sun. 30 Weather mostly cloudy and fine. Blenheim Church in a.m. at distribution of prizes in p.m. At Is. Cressman's meeting in evening. Milton took Ab. Rickerts to Mannheim in a.m. Got visitors in p.m. Rain hard in evening, for the night. Mon. 31. Weather cloudy and rather cold. Wife and I left home at 8 a.m. and left by train at Petersburg at 9:40 a.m. for Elmwood accompanied by Abs Rickert and wife. Got to

Elmwood at 2 p.m. Went to funeral of Mrs. Mos. Weber. Is S. Bacherts for tea, and to Cornelius Eby's for night.

Thrashing for 1900 We helped Josiah Cassel

July 27-8, 3/4 day

Oct 2+3, 1day.

Mos. Baer

Aug. 10, 1 day

Oct 9+10 3 1/2 days

F Steger

Aug 11, 1 day

Nov. 24, 1 day,

Dec. 1+3 1 1/2 days

Wm Toman

Aug 11, 1/2 day

Oct. 3+4, 3 days

John Howling

Nov. 9-12, 1 1/2 day

Mos. Bock

Aug 1, 1/2 day

Oct 10+11, 1 1/2 days

D.H. Snyder

Aug , 1/2 day

Sep. 29 1/2 day, Oct.1, 1 day

Thrashing for 1900 We got help from

Josi. Cassel

Aug. 20, 1/2 day, Aug 24 1/2 day, Nov. 26-28, 2 3/4

Mos. Baer

Aug. 20, 1/2 day, Aug 24, 1 day (team), Nov. 26-28, 2 3/4 Settled by hamper \$3.75.

F Steger

Aug 20, 1/2 day, Aug 24, 1/2 day, Nov. 26-28, 2 3/4

Wm. Toman

Aug 20, 1/2 day, Aug 24, 3/4 day, Nov. 26-28, 2 3/4

Jns. Howling

Aug 20, 1/2 day, Aug 24, 1/2 day, Nov. 26-28, 2 3/4

Mos. Bock

Aug 20, 1/2 day, Aug 24, 1/2 day,

Settled by recpt .50.

D.H. Snyder

Aug 20, 1/2 day, Aug 24, 1/2 day, Nov. 26-28, 23/4

A.C. Bowman

3 men and machine, 3 men and machine, 3 men for 2 3/4 I paid
him \$53.00