# Benjamin Reesor (1836 - 1917) 1898-1899

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{illegible} Cloudy this evening {illegible} 1899 {illegible} to rain slowly near bed time {J} drew wood into Shed out of bush {illegible} went to M N's to get her {illegible} we think she has Erysipelas {illegible} warm & dry there was only a {illegible} {spri}nkle of rain last night {illegible} {Bo}ys drew wood AM A & Henry {illegible} {B}{Illegible} draw off some old stone {illegible} PM J Chored I took Nancy {& Susanna} to Br C's AM & brought {illegible} home PM Susanna staid to {illegible} well J H Ramer's wife & A{mbrose} {illegible} wife were here to Supper {illegible} warm {illegible} Henry Adeline & Mary went to the {illegible} the rest of us went {home} {illegible} all day there was nobody home all day {illegible} Lizzy Burkholder was here {a little} while after supper W. pretty {illegible} East wind. looks like rain {illegible} Henry helped N B thresh all day A took {illegible} wheel of{f} heavy waggon to Whitevale to {illegible} then he & J took 3 loads of {illegible} Bus to Br S's to store it then {illegible} N

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### Aug Sept 1899

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{illegible} brought them home PM W. {illegible} I & Nancy & Annie went to Br inlaw {illegible} to dinner Motherinlaw was not we{II} {illegible} quite a bit better Boys drew home wood A took load furniture {illegible} Boyds House to Cherrywood for {illegible} Oslins PM W. very very {part of page missing} roads full of dust r{illegible} {ready}

- 30 Henry helped David Reesor thre{sh} J & {illegible} took load Barley to Br {illegible} to get Chopped & brought Ba{illegible} salt from Cedar Grove A fini{shed} roof of Henhouse AM they drew some Muck out of dam Pm it {illegible} been dry some 10 days W. warm
- 31 Boys plowed & scraped Creek {illegible} of young swamp AM A & H{illegible} began plowing Wheat stubb{le} {illegible} of dam PM J D's brought Peter {illegible} & wife & John Brubacher & wife from Waterloo to supper W. very warm & {Sul}try heavy showers went around beginning to rain slow & steady at bedtime

Sept 1 Boys Chored AM. A & Henry plowed PM. J went to Markham PM to get Susanna's Medicine Changed Davids were here to supper. W. very f{ine} steady rain all night & AM Cl{illegible} part {illegible}

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{illegible} helped {illegible} in Oats al{illegible} Flavius & Benj'n Boile{d} {illegible} Apple sauce here tod{ay} {illegible} & Apples & water W{illegible} about 80 day fine {illegible}

- 22 A helped Elisabeth {illegible} J & Mary went to Ma{rkham} {illegible} got Horses Fred & Tip {illegible} 500 2 in Tile from Ch{errywood} {illegible} AM J & Henry put Wire {illegible} from Corner Young Orchard {illegible} ing Townline PM I took {illegible} Barley 11 Bus 27 lbs (it is very h{illegible} year) & brought home last grist P{m} I Caught large Bass & a fine Catfi{sh} for Susanna W. Cooler strong wind PM
- 23 A helped Elisabeth till about 4 Oclock Henry drew dung below garden J went {to} Herman's to go with him to Fleurys {illegible} in Stouffville. I & Nancy & Anne {went} to Davids to dinner W. rather warmer fine Breeze from the north
- 24 Boys hoed weeds out of Mangels & Chor{ed} AM J went to tell Dr to Come Susan{na} is not so well A & Henry helped {illegible} Kill 8 hogs after 3 PM I took {illegible} & Eggs to Lewis's PM

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{illegible} is very {illegible} {illegible} need rain v{ery} {illegible} crops are growing very well {illegible} {h}elped Pilkey thresh AM {illegible} wood in shed out of {illegible} went to Cedar Grove {illegible} boys helpd Benj'n draw {illegible} team PM Nancy & Anne {illegible} Eggs to Lewis's PM {illegible} back yet W. very warm {illegible} Johnny Reesor thresh AM {illegible} {h}elped N B draw in Oats all {illegible} drew dung below garden AM {illegible} {help}ed Benj'n draw in PM J {illegible} to Markham PM to tell Dr {illegible} Susanna is not so well he Called {illegible} evening W. very warm my back lame yet

19 Henry helped draw in grain at Elisabeth Stovers all day A helped {illegible} AM J Chored all day {W.} very very warm pretty near 90 dry

{Sun}day 20 at home Davids were here to dinner {&} supper Russell went home again {Jo}hnny Ramer's were here to dinner {illegible} Called PM & Herman's Called {af}ter supper W. very very warm {illegible} near 90 dry

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#### Jan 1898 Feb

Boys threshed Peas W. below Zero this morning {illegible as entries covered with white paper} today Herman's Came evening {No other entries can be deciphered on this page.}

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{illegible} already {illegible} d in barley {illegible} {illegible} eat J helped Peter {illegible} {thre}sh I went to Markham {illegible} for Medicine for Susanna {illegible} not quite so warm

Sunday 3 Boys & girls all went {to} Cober's Meeting AM Thomas here awhile PM W. very fine & Co{ol} pretty Strong N W wind towards eveing

4 A & Henry Plowed J Chored {illegible} brought home some Chop from {illegible} W. quite Cool

{illegible} A & Henry finished Plowing Knoll {illegible} sowed 3 bags J helped Thomas {thr}esh I brought home last of Chop {fr}om Br S's the boys took over 14 bags {las}t week W. pretty warm a fine shower AM warm this eveing

6 J & A finished Sowing Knoll 2 bags M{illegible} then they Plowed south of bush Her{man} helped J D's thresh AM W. rather {illegible} Flavius Fan{ny} & the Children were {illegible} dinner I {took} them home & went {illegible} {last entries illegible as part of page missing}

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{illegible} {possibly Bonnie} {illegible} {illegible} took Butter {illegible} {illegible} went to Cedar Grove {illegible} {illegible} shower some thunder w{illegible} {illegible} Blacksmith shop fine rain {illegible} {A} Plowed in field east of dam Henry {illegible} the Wheat that David Exchanged {wi}th us the other day) to Spink Mills 83 cts he brought 16 bags Bran @ \$14 per {illegible} AM he Cut Corn PM W. fine

9 A & Henry Plowed J Chored & went {illegible} Isaac Reesor's shed raising after {illegible} PM I took 5 bags barley to Br S's Caught five Creek Suckers & {illegible} Chubs for Susanna AM I went to Cedar Grove PM W. very very fine {&} Cool September day Mrs Burrows {illegible} Br C's wife Called PM

{Sunda}y 10 all went to Meeting at Hebron {exce}pt J & Anne they staid with Susanna {sermo}n on Luke 22 & 23 C by C Gayman {illegible} Lords supper {was cele}brated {illegible} Groves. H {illegible} 's & Anne

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{illegible} er. Davids {illegible} to supper W. fine {illegible} AM rather Cloudy {illegible} Plowed J brought about {12} {illegible} Tiles from Pettys this morning I took 5 bags barley to Br S's & bro{ught} home Some Chop AM J fixed {illegible} Outlets of drain east of Orchard PM Dr Called this eving he says Susanna is a little better W. fine Little Shower AM Some Cloudy PM

J & A finished Plowing east of dam & {began} in field north of Orchard Henry {illegible} east of hill Corn AM he & Flavius drew {off} feed Corn with Mare Bonnie & {illegible} {mare} Rose PM I & Nancy went to Markham Am W. f{ine}

13 J & A Plowed Henry Cut {Corn} AM he took Bonnie to Fl{avius} & helped him draw Corn PM Menno Reesor Called PM J {illegible} & Carol {illegible} today {illegible}

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J helped Flavius {illegible}

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{illegible} & seeder Henry {illegible} {illegible} {draw} Corn till 3 PM {illegible} {illegible} M Cut Corn PM Henry {illegible} {illegible} he Came home they finished Hill Corn A took Butter {&} Eggs to Lewis's this evening E Lewi's {was} here to dinner yesterday I went {to} Cedar Grove PM. W. fine Cool a light frost in places. none here {illegible} Henry Plowed & drew off a few {illegible} feed Corn J dug some drains at {illegible}'s south of Shank Swamp I took 5 bags barley to Br S's & {brought} home some Chop AM went to B S S {at} Whitevale PM W. some frost {in} places this moring very fine today

{illegible} A Plowed AM he helped {Thomas} {illegible}up Ensilage Cutter PM Henry {hel}ped Flavius thresh AM & helped {illegible}ert thresh PM J helped Jess {illegible} run the Machine all day {illegible} East wi{nd}

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{illegible} went to {Cedar Grove AM} {Jesse came} with me to Br C's & brought home PM

#### Jan 1898 Feb

Boys threshed Peas W. below Zero this {morn}ing Milder today Herman's came {in} evening to Stay all night

Sunday 30 all went to Meeting at Hebron except Susanna {Henry} & J remarks by Br C Sermon on St Mark part of 3rd C by C Burkholder Menno Reesor & family & Wilmot Kirby were here to dinner W. 13 deg below Zero this Moring very little wind. air from N E above Zero this PM snowing some PM {H}ermans were here at dinner too

Boys took steer & Heifer to Lewis's the steer weighed 1080 lbs the Heifer 935 lbs AM they Chored PM. W quite Mild some snow from East AM heavy awhile PM

Feb 1 Boys Chored W. few in snow {I}ast night steady strong blow {fr}om north all day below Zero {illegible} & west roads blocked

Candle Mas day 2 boys shoveled snow awhile AM threshed few Peas PM the roads are not badly blocked W below Zero this moring Milder PM Cloudy nearly all day sun shone {illegible} about noon & a little towards eve{ning}

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### Feb 1898

{illegible} Ice J & Henry fixed Ice ho{use} AM A & Henry brought home a load & J took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's PM we have to go every week now David dont take their stuff any more W. pretty Cold west wind PM Nancy Groves Came to stay all night

- 4 Boys Cut & drew Ice they have brought Blocks which will be enough. I took Nancy Groves to Benj'ns this moring & Called at Br C's to see how Becca {was} she was taken sick yesterday with Inflammation of the Liver. W. sharp but fine. Martin Barkey's were here to supper quite Mild this eveing
- 5 Boys Chored & put saw dust back into Ice house there was not enough to quite Cover it I went to Br C's to see how Becca is she is a little b{etter} W. quite Mild soft snow AM strong wind this evening a little Colder

Sunday 6 at home all day Flavius's were here to dinner W. Zero this Morning Milder today

7 Boys took grist Chop to Br S's & Shoveled snow off Corn along fence {illegible} & Mary went with sleigh

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#### Feb 1898

Load M Barkeys boys J D's young folks & Br S's Bertha to Menno Burkholders this PM I went to Trustee meeting at Hebron AM I Br S's Johnny Ramers were reelected again went to Br C's this eveing Becca some better in bed yet W. very fine (& mild

- 8 I & Nancy & Anne went to M N's Boys Cut wood in old bush A & Henry went to Milroys Sawing Bee in Br N's Jacobs bush PM W. very mild Cloudy drissly rain PM Christian Burkholder 's Came to stay all night
- {9} Josephus Brillinger & wife {fr}om Nottawasaga Called awhile {AM} Boys Husked Corn AM J & Benj {piece of page missing} Mason's sale in Scarboro {piece of page missing} Chored A brought home {piece of page missing} light rain off & on all day {piece of page missing} Becca is sitting up again
- 10 Boys helped to shovel out Scarboro Townline on middle of Turnpike AM Husked Corn & J took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's PM W. very mild & foggy a little drissly PM

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#### Feb 1898

(illegible) husking Corn Benj'n (hel)ped W. very foggy AM Cler PM began to rain after dark if it keeps on the sleighing is gone Susanna is not very well tonight

12 Henry went to Markham for Dr Robinson A went to Whitevale got Horse Laddie shod & got Buggy wheel fixed AM they drew out logs in old bush for firewood PM Dr came this eveing he says Susanna has Indigestion W. mild some soft snow PM thawed about as fast as it fell Henry went in Cart

Sunday 13 at home Johnny Reesor's were here to dinner Benj'ns Called a while this moring they had started {piece of page missing} Meeting at Widemans but {missing} Banks were so deep to go t{illegible} Buggy so they turned back fine AM Cloudy PM very white frost last night

14 J & Henry helped Benj'n cut some Blocks to finish paving his Pig pen AM A went for Dr AM Susan{na} is not better Boys Cut wood PM David's were here to dinner

#### Feb 1898

Dr Came PM he says Susanna is better in some respects W. a few in soft snow last night & this Morning A went to Markham in Cutter

- 15 Done nothing much W. snow from east all day Mild. getting Colder this evening
- 16 Boys didnt do Much W. strong wind from North all day 4 deg below Zero this Morning little above through the day
- 17 Boys shoveled Scarboro Townline it is full again AM threshed some Peas PM. W. 4 deg below Zero this morning Milder through the day wind from East begining to snow at Bedtime Susanna is Bed fast but she rests well but has no Appetite
- 18 Boys threshed some Peas AM J started for Markham at near 10 AM to tell Dr to Come Susanna is not so well {illegible} took grist Chop to Mill PM {illegible} drissly rain off & on AM not thawing much Ice is forming no rain PM looks as if it was getting Colder Dr has not Come yet. nearly 9 Oc

A & Henry Cut wood J brought home {C}hop PM Dr Came this Morning he says {Su}sanna is doing well W. sharp this moring Cler & milder today

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#### Feb 1898

{corner of page folded over entry} Benj'ns were here to dinner Flavius & Ketura were here PM Susanna is about the Same W. Mild a little snow last night drissly rain off & on all day freezing as it fal{ls} the sleighs slip pretty well

21 Boys Chored J took a grist of Corn for Meal to Cedar Grove Mills & a little Wheat for Graham Flour AM W. About 10 in soft snow & sleet last night & today it Came from the East it is too heavy to drift Much quite mild Henry & Mary went to Hermans after supper they are going to Kill some hogs tomorrow

- 22 Henry & Mary were at Hermans Butchering J & A Chored & took some Chop to Br S's W. quite Mild a little snow
- 23 A & Henry Cut wood J went to Markham & to David's today then he and David went to Gowlands sale on 7th Con Susanna was on the Lounge in Kitchen all day but she was tired this eving W. fine & Mild a little snow in the air E Lewis {&} his man were here to dinner

#### Feb 1898

{Illegible} Boys sawed wood J drew out small load of dry wood at Flavius AM they {he}lped Benj'ns Kill 5 Pigs PM Christian {Bur}kholder & wife brought Lydia & little Harvey here then they went to M Barkeys & Called PM & took them home again. Susanna is not strong yet she was on the Lounge again today I took Butter & Eggs to Davids & went to Cedar Grove PM. W. strong squaal of snow & wind this moring awhile fine & C{ler} today

- 25 A & Henry sawed wood J changed sleighs with Flavius & dr{ew} out a load of Green first Class wo{od} {piece of page missing} A took it to McGaw in Mark{ham} J went to Haycrofts Sale in Scar{bo}ro PM Henry & Nancy went to Mark{ham} PM. I didnt feel well. W. fine Mild very good sleighing to Toronto now
- 26 A & Henry sawed wood AM A too{k} {illegible}ord part green & part dry wood to J McGaws PM I & Henry & Johny Reesor shoveled snow & sawed some wood at Meeting house PM W. very very fine winter day

#### Feb 1898 Mar

A went round by Davids & brough{t} Esther & little Russell to stay all night

Sunday 27 all went to Meeting except Nancy & J they staid with Susanna (she is still not able to be up) remarks by C Burkholder Sermon on St Mat part of 21 C by Br C. Joseph Groves Hermans D Burkholder Saml Barkey & his sister Anne & J D's Fanny & her man Jacob Groves Jun'r (they were married last Tuesday) were here to {d}inner. W. a very very fine winter day

{left and right edges torn obscuring parts of some entries} A took 4 Pigs to Lewis's 66 {lbs} {illegible} \$4.65 per Cwt AM they brought {Fa}nning Mill from Benj'ns after dinner {illegible} Cleaned load of Wheat I went to th{e} {F}uneral of old Mr Rae of W{h}itevale {a}t 11th Con PM W. very fine & Mild

March 1 A took 56 Bus Scott Wheat to Spink Mills @ 86 cts per Bus AM {illegible} brought the Bags full of Bran @ \$12 {illegible}Ton they Cleaned another load PM {illegible} & Henry Cut some wood AM {illegible} & children were here today

#### Mar 1898

W. very very fine a little Cloudy this moring

- 2 A took 62 Bus Wheat AM J took 53 Bus PM with Benj'ns team I went to Markham AM to tell Dr to Come Susanna is not so well he Came PM he says she is doing pretty well J B's Called PM. W. very very fine
- 3 A took 51 Bus 37 lbs Wheat AM & 45 Bus PM J Shirk & wife were here to dinner & Benj'n Dillers to supper J got Horse Laddie shod AM. W. very very fine & Cler
- 4 J took 38 Bus Wheat AM A & Henry cut wood J took some Bran to Flavis that he brought from Spinks for him & exchanged sleighs PM W. very very fine & Cler
- 5 Boys had Albert Reesor's Corn sheller & shelled Corn Davids Came Esther & Russel stayed & David went to Spink Mills for a load of Bran J went with him W. very very fine & Cler I went to Andrew Reesor's PM

Sunday 6 at home Henry Adeline & Mary went to Meeting at Altona

#### Mar 1898

Hermans were here to dinnner Benj'ns were here awhile PM & Aunt Lizzy Burkholder Called PM J H Ramer's were here to Supper W. very very fine

- 7 J & A took grist Chop to Br S's & Cut some Basswood logs at Flavius AM they drew 8 of them to Br S's PM Henry didnt do much he has sore throat I & Nancy & Anne went to A B's PM didnt stay very long A was not at home W. very very fine & warm. snow (\_\_going\_\_) Henry drew the Cutter up to the gate & Susanna got in & he pulled it around by the driving house & she enjoyed it very much. she is getting some better
- 8 J & A cut & drew some Hemlock logs & brought home Chop I & Mary went to Markham AM. M N's were here to dinner W. very fine & Mild sleighing breaking up
- 9 Boys drew few logs & got down sap buckets & soaked them I & Nancy went to J B's they were not at home then went to Hermans neither they or C Burkhold{ers} were at home then we went to Davids to dinner W. very mild sleighing about gone

### Mar 1898

- 10 Picked 10 Fowls & Killed big Pig's Cut it up for our own use & made some sausage J took Butter Eggs & the ten Fowls to Davids he took a grist of Chop to Br S's AM W. very mild & fine snow going very fast
- 11 A & Henry sawed wood in bush AM they & J tapped some trees about 45 Buckets mostly 2 to a tree PM sap did not run well W. slight east wind very mild. drissly rain awhile PM
- 12 Boys Chored AM they gathered 12 Pails sap PM J went to Cedar Grove this eveing W. Cloudy mild drissly rain at times. snow going very fast
- Sunday 13 I & Nancy went to Flavius W. some rain last night drissly AM blowed up from west PM Cold this eveing snow going fast
- 14 Boys sawed wood AM gathered up limbs in bush & drew them on a pile PM I went to Cedar Grove PM W. frost last night fine & Cler today sap ran some today

#### Mar 1898

- Boys sawed wood J helped Benj'n Kill & hang up a Pig then got Horses Fred & Laddie shod AM he drew lumber PM I Boiled sap all day W. mild a strong East wind
- 16 I finished sap AM Nancy finished it on the stove over a gallon there was some rain water in it W. very mild & Cler pretty heavy thunder & some rain this eveing I went to Johny Reesor's again today for some of their spring water for Susanna she thinks it is good for her she had a dream to that effect she is some better
- 17 A & Henry Cut wood J helped Benj'n Kill 2 Pigs & Flavius took one there & they Killed it too AM J & A brought about 28 Bus Western Corn from Markham station @ 43 cts PM we get it Chopped for the milk Cow{s} Oats are worth about 36 cts at present Henry took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's W. very fine & Cler roads pretty bad
- 18 Boys sawed wood J Chored AM he brought load pine roots from Flavius to sugar bush & brought Corn Chop hom{e} PM I boiled sap all day

### Mar 1898

W. very fine & Cler. raining at Bedtime

19 Chored AM Boys sawed wood in Flavis's bush awhile PM then they brought a load of sawdust from Br S.'s this evening W. warm I think it rained all night drissly AM Cler PM a thunder shower went around towards evening & I don't think it rained very heavy last night

Sunday 20 at home all day Br N's & Thomas's were here to dinner Wilmot Kirby was here to dinner & supper W. Cool. N. W wind

- Boys sawed wood in Flavius' Bush AM they sawed old Willows at Creek on Scarboro Townline PM Benj'n helped all day I went to Markham AM to get Medicine for Susanna W. east wind all day a little snow & drissly rain PM Cool J took Cow Lady to Lewis's farm AM @ \$33.00 took 6 bags barley to Br S's PM
- 22 Boys chored AM Cut some of the Old Willows PM I went to Cedar Grove PM there have been a few suckers Caught a few days ago. W. drissly AM fine & warm PM

23 Boys sawed Willows I & J Put in 18 logs at S M AM I went to Johny Reesors & to Burrows PM W. Cler. Cold N W wind

#### Mar 1898

- 24 Boys drew in 3 loads feed Corn then finished threshing Peas J drew away lumber & took
  Butter & Eggs to Davids PM I boiled sap W. froze hard last night fine & Cler Sap run a little PM
- 25 Boys drew 4 loads of Willow wood home AM split it ready for the stove & Piled it up by the Smokehouse I Boiled sap till about 2 PM the women finished it on the stove. we have 4 Imperial gallons. W. very fine & Cler heavy white frost last night
- 26 J went with Benj'n to Stouffville then they called at Herman's sawing Bee PM. A went to Markham to tell Dr to Come. Susanna's ear is very sore, she has to lie on her right side all the time. Henry split willow. A helped finish it PM. I gathered 19 big buckets of sap this morning. W. very fine. some sharp east wind. Dr Came this evening.

Sunday 27 all went to Meeting at Hebron except J & Adeline they staid with Susanna remarks by Br C Sermon on 1st Cor {blank space} C by C Gayman Davids were here to dinner W. east wind not very strong. drissly rain PM. not much

#### Mar 1898

- 28 Boys dug Post Holes awhile on Knoll north from Beech trees AM J went to Sale on old A Burkholder farm Property belonging to a Mr Hood he had a Mortgage on the farm & had to take it to save himself A went to Markham with some Boots to get Mended he went with Horse Chief in the Cart he went well he drove him out on Saturday too W. drissly part of the time all day grass beginning to grow fall Wheat looks very well so far
- 29 Boys dug some Post holes & pulled down Board fence from N E Corner of bush to dam AM Picked up rubbish in Flavis's fallow PM I Boiled Sap till about 3 PM then Nancy finished it off on stove 4 quarts W. very fine

- 30 A & Henry Picked rubbish J helpd Benj'n split Cedar Posts AM 3 Boys drew off rubbish PM I boiled sap till about 2 PM W. White frost last night fine & Cler today
- 31 A took 12 bags barley to Br S's then he & Henry drew some Willow wood home AM they drew off rubbish at Flavis's PM J took Cow Sylvia to Freeman's AM

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# **April 1898**

Benj'n to S M PM I took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's David is not well & Could not go we heard this eveing that Isaac Moyer is sick I went to see him staid all night he had a Parylatic Stroke this afternoon & is about helpless. W. fine & Cler. rather Cold N W wind

Good Friday 8 all went to Meeting at Hebron except J he staid with Susanna remarks & sermon on St Mark 15 C 25 V to end of C by Br C nobody here to dinner Anne went home with Davids they were at Flavius to dinner Mary Came home she was at Davids since Tuesday W. a very very fine & Clear day. some frost last night about 48 above Zero in the middle of the day A drew the Buggy down & up the lane with Susanna she enjoyed the ride very much

9 I & A Burned rubbish in fallow at Flavis A dug drains at Benj'ns AM they all dug PM I took 6 bags Oats to Br S's I got them Chopped PM I & Nancy went this Morning to see Isaac Moyer he is sinking slowly W. very fine & Cler I gathered 8 Buckets of Sap this eveing

Easter Sunday 10 I went early this Morning to see Moyer and staid till about noon B Stovers were here to dinner I went again

#### **April 1898**

after supper to Moyer's he is still getting weaker W. very very fine warm Cler dry roads very good Benj'n sowed spring wheat yesterday

Easter Monday 11 Boys thought they must work today they finished putting in tiles in sod at Benj'ns AM they sowed some Oats in N W Corner field PM Isaac Moyer Died a few Minutes after

- 12 last night I & N B went to Markham to order a Coffin AM I went to see Thomas Diller & Br N's Jacob to help one of our Boys & Br N's Albert to dig his Grave tomorrow W. very very fine day very little frost last night
- went to Moyers this morning to help put him into his Coffin got home about noon he was swelled some & C B{eierl} had to tap him I & J D went to Markham PM I am appointed one of Isaac Moyer's Executors & asked him a few months ago to release me he partly Consented & finally concluded to do it, but he never got it Completed & I intend to get it done yet if I can we asked Advice & was told it Could be done. Boys finished sowing N W field west of Creek with Oats & half of field behind barn with Oats W. very very fine & warm ground works very well. roads like June

# **April 1898**

- 13 we all went to Isaac Moyer's funeral Amelia Ernest & Karl staid with Susanna Adeline only staid to see him Buried then came back Br S's & N & myself J D. David & Menno Burkholder bore him to his grave remarks by C Burkholder sermon on Isaiah 57 C 2nd V by Br C Rev Siple Baptist spoke too Br inlaw Saml Hoover's & J H Ramer's were here to dinner Boys sowed field below house with Oats. W. very very fine & warm. there was a cool east air
- 14 Boys grubbed & Harrowed field east of dam & began to sow barley I J & Benj'n Cleaned seed barley & 5 bags grist of wheat AM I took grist to Cedar Grove Mills PM took Butter & Eggs to Davids W. very very fine clouded up toward eveing
- Boys finished sowing field east of dam before dinner then A went to help Benj'n Henry rolled Alsike behind cider house & new seeded Meadow back of Orchard I took 5 bags Shelled corn to Br S's to get chopped it was damp so I hurried home & took 5 bags Oats to mix with it AM I brought home grist flour PM

# **April 1898**

M Barky brought Old Saml Moyer & wife & Caty Houser to stay all night W. very fine & warm Cler

- 16 Henry rolled barley & Oats behind barn & began in N W corner field A helped Benj'n AM began to plow sod on Knoll PM I & Nancy took Moyer's & Caty Houser to Locust Hill This morning with mare Bonnie & spring Waggon W. cool N W wind Cloudy this eveing Adeline & Mary went to Markham PM
- Sunday 17 I & Nancy went to Isaac Reersor's to dinner to Br S's to supper W fine & clear. Cool wind looked like rain towards evening Some lightning over the lake at dusk
- 18 Henry finished rolling A plowed sod J helped Flavius at a drain I brougt home 5 bags barley chop from Br S's went to Markham PM W. fine clear
- 19 Boys Cleaned & Oiled 3 setts of single Harness with a Kind of Harness soap that I bought yesterday W. very very strong East wind & rain from about 9 AM they plowed awhile this moring & I brought 4 bags seed Potatoes from Johny Reesor's this morning I gathered all the sap buckets in the barn & throwed out the sap yesterday morning

### **April 1898**

that was in some of them the woods were so dry I was afraid to boil it some of the buckets were falling to pieces but the rain has changed it all

- 20 Boys all went to Flavis's & dug Post holes for a wire fence on east side of his lane AM A & Henry Plowed the most of the time PM W. Squaals of sleet & rain off & on all day Cool I went to Flavi's & Br N's AM Herman Called to get wild Hairs Pulled PM John Cober Called PM
- 21 A & Henry finished Plowing sod AM A helped Flavis plow new ground PM J & Henry helped Benj'n drive stakes in fence I took Butter & Eggs to Davids & Caught a lot of Chubs for Susanna PM W. Cler strong N W wind Cool the fall Wheat looks very well the grass is begining to look green the Buds are starting on the trees
- 22 Chored Cleaned Seed Peas Henry went to Abraham Lehmans PM W. drissly slow steady rain all day

23 Boys Pulled Posts from old bush to dam & worked at fences at Benj'n's J took grist to Br S's PM I went to half yearly Conference at Hebron PM everything passed off very well W. very fine & growing dry

#### **April 1898**

Sunday 24 all went to Meeting at Hebron except J he staid with Susanna remarks by C Gayman Sermon on St Mat 3 C 1st to 26 V by C Burkholder Tilman Reesor & family & Uriah Drudge & family were here to dinner Flavis & Benj'ns Called this eveing W. very fine & Cler a strong N E wind AM not Much PM War Commenced yesterday between Spain & the United States of America

- 25 A helped Flavis Plow Henry grubbed sod I & Nancy & Anne went to Br inlaw Peter's they were not at home we staid to dinner with Motherinlaw then went to Herman's to supper I stopped at Markham & Signed a Release from serving as Executor in Isaac A Moyer's will he had intended to appoint A B Lehman in my place but did not get it done. J Diller is the other one so the Lawyer Ormiston advised J Diller to take it to Probate alone & it Could be Arranged further by appointing Trustees W. fine rather Cool
- 26 Boys spread dung & Plowed in Mangel ground we Planted 4 drills Potatoes I took 6 bags Barley to Br S's AM & brought it home PM W. very fine & Cler a little Cool

#### **April 1898**

I took Susanna to Br C's AM & brought her home PM she stood it well Jacob Reesor's son William was thrown forward in his road Cart early yesterday Moring & his foot was Caught & he was dragged over a Mile the horse runing full speed he is badly hurt but it is thought he will recover

27 Boys Plowed Mangel ground A Sowed Peas about 5 acres Henry finished Mangel ground PM Adeline & Mary went to Davids W. very fine Air Cool Jacob Hoover's wife at Stouffville died yesterday & was buried today

- 28 Boys rolled & drilled Mangel ground AM sowed them PM I took Susanna to Benj'ns this Morning then went to Cedar Grove for Mangel Seed AM I & Nancy & J Plowed & raked part of back garden I & Nancy Planted a lot of Raspberries PM W. very fine & Clear. Air from East nearly every day
- 29 Boys Chored & dug some garden AM J worked at drain at Flavis PM I & A Mary & Anne went to Funeral of F Postils wife (Susy Clark) at 11th Con PM W. fine
- 30 Boys worked at drain at Flavis's AM A & Henry worked in Flavis fallow PM

# April 1898 May

J went to Markham to trade the Top Buggy with Pringles for one with side Bars but Pringle had none on hand to sent he expects one every day W. very fine warm strong N W wind

Sunday May 1 I & Nancy went to Meeting at Altona remarks by C Burkholder sermon on St Mat part of 25 C by Br C went to J B's to dinner W. very fine & warm AM Cloudy & Cooler PM a little rain Coming home

- 2 Boys drew dung on field north half behind barn I took bag Buckwheat to Cedar Grove Mills PM W. fine rain last night. fine today Naval Battle between Spain & America at Pilippine Islands both Parties Claim a victory Battle was fought yesterday
- 3 A & Henry dug Post holes from corner of bush to dam I & J helped Scrub Meeting house J helped Flavius PM W. some rain last night Cloudy & drissly at times very growing weather
- 4 A & Henry set Posts from bush to dam AM drew dung behind barn & began drawing on turnip ground in Mangel field PM I went to Markham PM Herman Called to dinner W. rather Cool I gathered a fine Mess of Mushrooms in Pierces flats this morning

### May 1898

- 5 Boys drew dung on Turnip ground J helped Flavis at drain I took Butter & Eggs to Davids Susanna went with me to Flavis I brought her home this eving she stood it well R Wallace was here to dinner W. very fine, but a raw Air from East
- 6 A & Henry finished drawing dung on Turnip ground J helped Flavius drain I took 6 bags barley to Br S's AM I & Nancy went to Markham to get Nancy's Teeth I took them to get fixed the other day then we went to Davids to supper W. a slight frost last nig{dy} fine today
- 7 Boys Plowed in Corn ground I took grist Peas & Oats to Br S's & brought home Buckwheat Flour 1/2 bag from Cedar Grove Mills AM I & Nancy went to A B's PM staid to supper W. very fine & warm, but Cool Air

Sunday 8 I & Nancy & Anne went to Meeting at Widemans Suitable Sermon for the Celebration of Lords Supper by C Gay{man} & Br C went to Daniel Ramers to dinner W. very fine & warm. Cool air

#### May 1898

- 9 Henry Plowed root ground A & J Cleaned up Fallow at Flavis AM I took Susanna to J D's this Morning she stays all night I brought home grist from Br S's AM Caught 12 fine fish went to Topps flats PM Caught about 3{0} more PM W. fine & warm leaves Coming Out
- 10 A Plowed at Flavius Henry Plowed root ground I gathered a fine Mess Mushrooms in Pierces Flats AM went to Cedar Grove PM W. very warm & Cloudy AM began to rain about 4 PM raining yet, slowly
- 11 A Plowed at Flavis Henry harrowed & rolled Corn ground I brought Susanna home PM J drilled & Blasted a stone in Corn ground W. fine strong wind a thunder storm about 5 PM fine shower
- 12 A helped Flavis finish fallows Henry & J made Corn ground ready & began planting Hill Corn I took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's PM W. fine & warm AM Cooler towards evening J Ionson Came this evening with his Horse . . Border Reiver the Property of R Davies

# May 1898

- 13 A & Henry finished Plowing Turnip ground & harrowed it I & Mary went to Markham AM I got some Barbed Wire Mary got a tooth Pulled W. fine & Cool J McGaw & Flavius Came this evening to dig out some Foxes in the Old Da{niel} Hoover bush but we think they have left the Den
- Nancy Anne A & Henry went fishing to Mouth of Rouge with Enos & Frances Hoover Peter & Leonard Hoover and Herman they got quite a few I & J worked at putting wire on fence along lane W. very fine & warm I & J went to Funeral of Samuel Spence at 11th Con this PM
- Sunday 15 Henry Mary & Adeline went to M Barkeys they were not at home so they & Shants boys went to N Burkholders to dinner I & Nancy & Anne went to Jacob Reesor's they were not at home so we went to B Diller to supper W. very fine Cler
- 16 Boys finished wire fence on Knoll & began from bush to dam I took 5

#### May 1898

bags Oats to Br S's AM & brought home Chop PM W. very fine & warm

- 17 Boys helped work in back garden AM they worked at fences PM I & Br C went to Holbornes near Rouge Hill to look for Mushrooms & to see the places where we used to ramble when we were boys 45 years ago we found the Hills & slopes of the Rouge River that were all Cleared then all grown up with a young growth of timber then we crossed both the Rouges to Kirkhams Shoddy Mills where we fished about an hour we Caught 60 fine shiners {real} fine Perches & some Bass, very fine day we only found one Mushroom
- 18 A got Horses Fred & Laddie shod Henry rolled turnip ground J helped Flavius make fence
  AM sowed feed Corn PM I took 6 bags barley & got it Chopped & went to Cedar Grove AM took
  Butter & Eggs to Davids PM. W. fine AM Cloudy few drops of rain PM

Ascension day 19 all went to Meeting at Hebron except J he staid with Susanna remarks & Sermon on {blank space} by Br C Davids & Hermans were here for dinner they were not at Meeting

### May 1898

- 27 A drew 2 loads gravel J & Henry Chored & split some stones to make walk to old Pig pen AM we washed our 9 sheep & 9 for Thomas PM boys brought home 2 loads of split stones after we washed sheep I took Susanna to Br S's AM and brought her home this eveing W very fine & growing day
- J & Henry built stone walk from gate at water trough to old Hog pen door AM A drew {space} loads gravel from Adams J & Henry helped Benj'n at fences PM Peter Reesor brought two girls from Rainham Fidelia Shank & Mary Hoover. Our Mary took them to David Ramer's & brought them back to dinner then she took them awhile to N B's & to M Barkeys to supper and left them at J D's W. fine looks a little like rain

Whit Sunday 29 I & Nancy went to J D's to dinner A Adeline & Mary went to Davids PM they heard that little Russell was bitten in the face by Joseph Grove's dog but David's had taken Russell to the doctor they did not see them

### May 1898 June

W. cloudy & foggy AM cler PM

Whit Monday 30 at home Henry went fishing to dead water J & A went to Br S's caught lot of Chubs Henry got fine lot of Bass & few Catfish we were most Agreeably surprised this PM by a visit from my old friend James Duncan he worked for Br C over 30 years ago he was here to supper then we went to Br C's W fine and cool A drew 2 loads gravel PM

- 31 Henry scuffled Mangels A drew 2 loads gravel AM J Drew one load gravel PM I A & Henry went to sale of the late Isaac A Moyer's Property PM I bought Bedstead 25 cts Trunk 5 cts Basket & Box 5 cts Hermans called for supper Joseph Groves brought Esther & Russell PM & she staid to supper Russell is doing very well he is bitten on the right eye W. fine nice & warm
- June 1 J took Susanna to Davids AM A drew 3 loads gravel Henry scuffled Hill Corn AM he sheared sheep PM A helped awhile this eveing Br inlaw Simon Hoover's were here to dinner W. very fine & warm looks a little like rain this eveing

#### **June 1898**

{Entries for June 2nd to and including June 9th are missing}

- 10 A drew gravel from Adams Pit for Markham road work J filled Henry Plowed turnip ground I went to Davids AM to bring Susanna home but she wants to stay awhile yet so I brought Russell home with me W. fine & cool.
- 11 A drew gravel J filled AM Henry got horse Chief Shod AM. Henry filled PM W. very warm rain this Morning they went on the road about 8 Oc thunder showers off & on PM the thunder did not Come very near but the rain Came heavy I & J made a stair to load pigs into a waggon PM
- Sunday 12 I & Nancy & little Russell went to M Barkeys to dinner. (Flavius' were here to dinner) W. rain awhile this Morning showers went around PM Benj'n's called awhile this eveing
- 13 A brought a load gravel on Townline which finishes our roadwork then he brought another into Barnyard J & Henry Chored they fixed road in lane north of dam & A Plowed Headlands in root field PM J took little Russell home this evening W. showery off & on heavy rain this evening

#### June 1898

E Lewis's Man took away 8 Pigs 7 months old @ \$70.50 cts PM

- 14 Made new 2 steps in front of big stoop & Chored AM A & Henry topped thistles PM till 3 PM then J & Henry topped thistles for Benj'n till supper & A & I built new cedar slat walk from front gate to Kitchen stoop M Barkey & his Mother brought Jacob Gayman & wife & 2 little daughters & his Motherinlaw awhile AM C Burkholder & wife called few Minutes this Moring W. a little dull this Moring Cleared up very fair today Cooler this evening
- 15 A & Henry topped Thistles for Benj'n J scuffled Mangels AM A & Henry Plowed & rolled Turnip ground PM I walked to Cedar Grove for turnip seed PM Brinlaw Jesse Hoover was here to dinner W. very fine Cool & Cler Adeline & Mary went to Susie Hoover's
- 16 Boys sowed Turnips I & Nancy & Anne took wool to S B Lehmans W. very fine & Cool
- 17 Henry worked at Benj'ns J finished Scuffling Hill Corn then he & A went to Mouth of Rouge

#### June 1898

- 25 Pulled out Bridge at west Barn doors & put in one of Stone and earth AM J went to Hermans PM we Trimmed some Apple trees & Cut up old rails & rubbish for Engine wood PM Davids Came to stay all night W. very warm fine shower last night another this Moring slight one this eveing
- Sunday 26 at home all day Davids staid till after early supper W. Cooler a very Strong N W wind Calmer this eving
- 27 Henry Adeline & Mary went to R Jarvis's to Pick Strawberries this Morning it was too wet A got Horses Fred & Laddie shod AM they all went to Flavius with team & waggon to draw in hay a slight shower stopped them after they took in 2 loads W. fine & Cool a few slight showers I took Susanna to J D's PM & brought her home this eveing
- 28 Boys Scuffled few Potatoes in Mangel field hoed Sugar Cane & Cut Thistles on road along our farm AM they all went with team to Flavius & helped them take in all their hay PM

#### **June 1898**

I took Susanna to Br N's AM & went to R Jarvis's & bought 24 Boxes strawberries for \$1.00 I brought Susanna home this evening I went to Cedar Grove & bought 100 lbs granulated Sugar for \$5.00 & 100 lbs of Cooking Sugar for \$4.00 W. very fine Cooler

- 29 A Cut about 3 Acres in Meadow north of Meeting House he got done about 2 PM a guard broke this Morning Henry went to Markham AM & Ordered some J went to A Jackson's Barn raising PM I & A & Henry Cleaned 8 bags Wheat at Benj'ns PM & A took it to Cedar Grove Mills W. very fine pretty warm Thomas was at Jac Grove's today & brought little Russell he is here to stay all night. I took Susanna to Johnny Reesor's AM & brought her home PM.
- 30 A was at B Dillers Barnraising all day Henry Cleaned out Henhouse & Sprayed it with McDonalds sheep Dip to Kill the small lice J Scuffled Mangels AM they both went to raising PM I took Adeline & Mary to raising PM David & Esther Came PM

### June July 1898

Esther staid & David went to raising he took Susanna. I took Butter & Eggs to Davids & went to Cedar Grove I brought home sugar W. very very warm thunder showers went around PM. a little rain here shower last night

- July 1 Boys put Paris Green on Potatoes this Morning then we shook out all the hay that was Cut till noon. Boys looked for Tares in barley till about 1/2 past 3 Oc then raked & Cocked hay W. very warm Cloudy this morning Cler today
- 2 A Cut about 2 Acres grass AM Henry went to Markham on Bycicle to see if Mower Guards have Come did not get them he went & Came in 1.25 {PM} I took small grist Chop to Br S's & went to Cedar Grove Nancy went with me to Isaac Reesor's their Baby is sick Flavis & his Man & team helped draw in hay PM we took in 12 loads of fine Hay Timothy & Alsike Clover W. very very warm & Cler

Sunday 3 I & Nancy & Anne went to Meeting at Widemans remarks by Br C Sermon on St John Part of 3rd C by C Burkholder went to Peter Burkholder's to dinner

### **July 1898**

& to Joseph Grove's to supper Called at Davids W. very warm fine Breeze from S W. slight shower PM

- 4 A finished Cutting Meadow AM boys drew 7 loads hay into stack behind Cider house PM W. very fine & Cool I took Susanna to N B's PM & brought her home this eveing
- 5 Boys drew one load on Stack & drew 2 loads rakings into Barn AM J went to Jos Groves Barn raising on the Old Wideman Homestead A & Henry Put Board roof on Haystack & we turned hay that was Cut yesterday PM W. very fine Cler & Cool
- 6 I & Nancy went to Funeral of Christian Barkeys Daughter Sarah she was Married to J{oe}y Walker they lived in Muskoka she was buried at Widemans a Baptist Preacher from Muskoka officiated we went to J H Ramer's to Dinner W. fine & Cool boys took in 6 loads of hay the last of the Meadow except rakings

7 Boys mowed fence Corners in Meadow drew in some raking A brought home Flour from Cedar Grove & Chop from Br S's PM W. very warm & Cler Herman & Harvey were here to supper Mary & Susanna went to Markham AM Henry took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's this eving

# **July 1898**

- 14 Boys Cut Wheat in N E Corner field 5 Acres got done soon after dinner they thinned turnips after that I took Butter & Eggs to Davids & went to Cedar Grove this eveing W. very warm & Sultry very dry Flavius Came for Susanna after dinner little Carl is sick I & Nancy went over this eveing he is better again
- 15 Boys thinned turnips W. very warm & Sultry Flavius Came at noon for Susanna to sit by the Cradle little Carl is sick Dr was there last night & this PM I & Nancy went over this evening he is better again
- 16 Boys began to Cut barley went a few rounds found it was rather green they Cut some swail grass till noon then Henry helped Flavius draw in wheat A went to Stouffville for a Pinion for Binder & J hung some doors at Benj'ns Henhouse I went to Markham AM I & Nancy went to Flavius to see little Carl he is better again W. dry & Sultry we need rain very bad

#### **July 1898**

Sunday 17 all went to Meeting except J he has a little Summer Complaint remarks by C Gayman Sermon on St Mat part of 22nd C by Br C John & Mary Smith were here to dinner & Levi Burkholder & Br C's to Supper W. very warm a very slight shower PM

- 18 A & Henry drew in all fall Wheat 5 loads off each field J began to Cut Barley about 10 AM the Pinion that A brought on Saturday did not fit so he & Benj'n went for another W. very warm showers went around again today
- 19 I & Susanna went to Markham AM I left her at U Drudges Boys Cut barley Binder did not tie very well J went to Pickering Village for a new knotter in putting it on we found that the Knotter spring was Cracked he went back & left the Knotter & brought a new spring now it works very well

W. very very warm thunder showers went around a slight shower here PM Flavius Fanny & Children were here PM Amelia & Ernest stay all night

# **July 1898**

- 20 Boys finished Cutting barley about an acre then they went a few rounds on the Alsike Clover before dinner they Cut it with the Mower & followed with the Horserake but they quit that & then they got Flavius man to help & three of them followed with forks and rolled it in heaps it is a very heavy Crop & some of the heads are well filled W. about the warmest day we have had so far
- 21 Boys finished Cutting Alsike AM then they all three with team helped Flavis draw in barley PM W. Cooler N W wind J took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's & brought Susanna home from Johnny Ramers
- 22 Boys helped Benj'n draw in Wheat & Barley with team I took 2 bags mixed Chop to Br Ss & brought home barley Chop AM W. not quite so warm. Cler. dry
- 23 Boys drew in Barley Flavius & his man helped PM with team 11 loads W. very warm

  Sunday 24 I & Nancy went to Meeting at Altona remarks by Br C sermon on Romans 7 C by

  Joseph Wismer from Clinton.

### **July 1898**

went to Henry Boyers to dinner & to Menno Burkholders to supper W. very very warm a little Breeze most of the time

A raked Barley stubble J & Henry pulled a headland in the barley field of Early Peas that C Gayman sent us in the spring a thunder storm Came up before dinner we brought in all the barley that was raked then we had a fine heavy rain some heavy thunder a barn belonging to Pugh on 5th Con Pickering was burned boys thinned Turnips & J raked last of barley & Boys brought it in this evening Herman Called this evening W. some Cooler J took 7 bags Chop to Br S's this evening

26 J & A went to Markham AM Henry Chored they hoed Mangels & A fixed Bake Oven PM J went to Markham again to see if Jesse Reesor's new Machine has Come he has expected it for a week it has not Come yet I & Nancy started after dinner & Called at David's then went to see Grandmother she has symptoms of Dropsy she is up yet but does not rest well at night

# **July 1898**

then we went to Hermans to supper W. pretty warm yet a fine Breeze

- 27 A finished fixing Oven Henry Scuffled Mangels J took 5 Bus Corn to Br S's to get Cracked for Chickens AM Boys Cleaned out Cistern PM I took Susanna & Ketura to M Barkeys PM & brought them home this evening W. very warm yet
- 28 Boys began pulling Peas with rake but they are hardly ripe yet they helped set the Machine PM & brought a tank of water from Br S's they took Butter & Eggs along to Davids Jesse Reesor got a new Traction Engine & Thresher from the Waterloo Co W. very warm yet
- 29 Threshed all the Fall Wheat it is a very fine sample but the yield is not so very large something over 20 bus per acre then we threshed about 300 bus barley & about 50 more to thresh we quit at noon the Machine run very well then they drew in 18 loads Alsike PM Benj'n & his man helped with team W. very warm yet. strong S W. wind turned to north this eveing I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM

#### July 1898 Aug

Adeline Mary & Susanna went to Davids yesterday Susanna staid

30 drew in 12 loads Alsike AM Flavius & his Man helped with team Benj'n helped too A & Henry helped Benj'n & J helped Flavius PM I went to Cedar Grove & to Br S's for Chop PM W. Cloudy nearly all day a very slight rain after dinner

Sunday 31 I & Nancy & Anne went to Meeting at Widemans Sermon on St John part of 1st C by Jos Wismer & Br C Abraham B Grove & wife & daughter Nancy Enos Nighswander & Rachel

Wideman were received into the Church we went to Davids to dinner W. not so warm a fine Breeze

Aug 1 Boys Pulled Peas with rake AM till dribbling rain stopped about 10 didnt amount to much J helped Bob Milroy thresh PM Flavius threshed AM but didnt need any help from us A & Henry finished pulling Peas PM J Cut 7 rounds Oats behind barn this eveing W not so warm looks like rain I walked to Cedar Grove PM & then I took 4 bags barley to Br S's & brought home some Chop after supper

#### Aug 1898

- 2 Boys Cut Oats behind barn & east of Orchard B & his man helped draw in last of Alsike PM 8 loads W. rather Cloudy not so warm
- 3 J Cut Oats in N W Corner field A & Henry shocked W. a light shower AM stopped J awhile a fine heavy shower PM. stopped him awhile Cooler this eveing
- 4 A & Henry shocked Oats in N W Corner J helped Benj'n pull Peas AM they drew in all Peas 11 loads PM Benj'n & his man helped with team I raked Alsike stubble & took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's W. fine & Cool Breeze Herman brought Susanna home this eveing
- 5 Henry helped J D's thresh J & A drew in Alsike rakings 2 loads AM A helped Benj'n J & Henry hoed turnips PM I & Nancy went to Markham AM W. fine & Cool Breeze. rather warmer PM Herman was here to supper
- 6 A helped Flavius all day J worked at B{ay} Benj'n helped Jess Reesor run his Machine I & A Cleaned 3 bags Old Wheat at B{ay} & brought it home then we drew in a few early Peas that grew on headlands

# Aug 1898

in Barley field C Gayman sent us the seed the boys pulled them a few weeks ago & I put them over the fence into the Meadow then Henry drew dung on barley stubble I took few Bus Peas to

Br S's AM the water is so low he Can do very little Susanna went with Me to Br C's & I brought her home this eveing W. not so warm a good bit Cloudy

Sunday 7 at home David Reesor's & John Ramer's Peter were here to dinner & Johnny Ramer's to supper W. very warm & Sultry a good bit Cloudy a very slight shower towards eveing

- 8 A & Henry drew dung J helped Benj'n thresh they got done between 3 & 4 PM I went to Whitevale AM W. very sultry rather Cloudy a fine thunder Shower about 3 PM not very much rain
- 9 A helped Benj'n draw in Oats J helped Albert thresh PM Henry set up Oats shocks PM I went to Cedar Grove PM W. pretty warm again David Came for Nancy about 4 Oc this morning
- 10 Henry helped Johnny Reesor thresh all day J & A helped Benj'n J helped Flavius a few hours this eveing

# Aug 1898

I went to Cedar Grove & brought home Chop AM W. pretty warm again

- 11 Henry helped McCreight thresh AM he helped Pilkey PM J & A helped Benj'n nearly all day I & Anne went to Davids AM we seen a little Baby Boy born on Tuesday the 9th both are doing well I took 4 bags Chop to Br S's also took Butter & Eggs along & brought home 3 bags Chop W. very warm & dry yet
- 12 Boys went to Benj'n was too wet to pull Peas J went to G Davidsons for a Twin Plow @ 13.00 Henry ganged south of bush PM J & A helped Benj'n PM W. a fine little shower this morning
- 13 J ganged south of bush finished About 4 PM A & Henry helped Benj'n draw in Peas with team I walked to Cedar Grove AM went to Half yearly Conference at Hebron PM Joseph Groves brought home Nancy & took Adeline W. Cler. Cool Breeze from N W Herman's Came to stay all night

### Aug 1898

Sunday 14 all went to Meeting at Hebron except J remarks by Br C Sermon on St Mat part of 5 C by C Burkholder Henry Barkey & wife Matty Cook Herman's & Jesse Grove A Lehman (Elias's son) & a son of S L Hoover's were here to dinner. W. rather Cloudy Cooler I took Matty Cook to her Br Saml Shanks this evening they live on Church street in Markham

15 had Jess Reesor with his Engine & Danl Ramer with his Clover Mill & threshed a little more than half of our Alsike we got about 15 Bus a strong East & south wind some of the hands got sick we had to send for two fresh Men at noon Thomas's man Ed Craven went Delirious but I dont think it was altogether the dust that Caused it he had a sunstroke some time ago he went to Thomas's when the threshing was over with out his supper & fell down while he was speaking to Thomas & we Carried him to his home

#### Aug 1898

over by the sideroad in Br C's house (he is Married to Maggie Tweedie) & sent for Dr Bateman of Pickering he thought it was like Brain fever. W rather Cloudy a few drips of rain pretty warm when the sun was out I might as well state that the war between Spain & the States is over The States were a little too much for Spain on the Ocean They Outclassed & Outnumbered them in vessels they Beat them at the Philipines & at Santiago & became Master on the Sea but on land the {y} had hard fighting The Spaniards ran short of Provisions at Santiago & finally surrendered

16 Boys drew in Oats below Orchard 6 very big loads & 3 loads behind barn W. pretty warm a slight little shower this morning I took Susanna to Flav{ius} AM & went to Cedar Grove I brought her home again this eveing

### Aug 1898

Ed Craven is doing well he began to know people again.

- Boys finished drawing in Oats 19 loads altogether Benj'n & his Man helped with team they got done soon after dinner then Henry helped Flavius A went & got Horses Fred & Laddie shod PM J B's were here to dinner J helped Benj'n fix some fences PM W. pretty warm
- 18 A ganged Henry helped David Reesor's thresh J took Butter Eggs & 7 pr Chickens to Lewis's PM W. Cooler & dry yet as ever David Groves boy Alvin Brownsberger brought Adeline home & took Mary & Susanna along to Davids
- 19 A ganged J & Henry drew mud out of dam on barley stubble AM Henry drew stones off pasture field PM I took 4 bags Barley to Br Ss PM. W. pretty warm
- 20 Boys drew Stones off pasture finished them they drew the most of them on the dam to raise the road & Keep the water out of the flats Br N's wife brought Jacob Hun{r}icker & wife & Henry Hurst & wife from Franklin County Pa

### Aug 1898

to dinner then I & Nancy started at 2 PM & went to David Groves to see how they are doing they are all well Called to see Br S he was taken sick yesterday PM with violent Purging & I think vomiting he is in bed yet W. pretty warm & dry

- Sunday 21 I & Nancy went to Meeting at Altona remarks by C Burkholder Sermon on St Mark part of 7 C by Br C went to Enos Nighswander to dinner we started home after 3 PM heavy thunder storm Came up on 8th Con of Pickering we went in to Samuel Hoover's pretty heavy rain & Hail we staid to supper we got home to the lane without rain of any account then it started heavy raining yet nearly 9 Oc the Creek is started to run
- 22 A & Henry ganged Oat stubble 5 Acres behind barn J Chored W. very warm our pond is full of water the Creek is running but not very strong I went to Cedar Groves brought home Chop called to see Br Ss he is in bed yet

# Aug 1898

- 23 A & Henry ganged Oat Stubble below Orchard J helped Peter Reesor thresh I went to Cedar Grove for gang Plow Points Called to see Br S he Can sit up some W. slight shower this Morning heavy thunder Passed around this eving very warm & sultry today
- A & Henry finished ganging below Orchard AM they began single Plowing in Alsike stubble PM J went to Whitevale AM & to Markham & got his supper at Davids I went with him as far as Cedar Grove & Called at Br S's he is doing well W. slight shower AM very heavy down pour about 6 PM Creek running fine tonight very warm & sultry today
- 25 A & Henry Plowed J fixed floor in Cowstable AM he helped Pick some Peas & Apples PM I took Butter & Eggs to Davids PM W. fine & Cool Br inlaw Enos Hoover Came to stay all night he is threshing with Dan Hoover they are at J McRaes
- 26 A & Henry Plowed J Harrowed behind barn with Mare Bonnie I harrowed awhile while he

### Aug 1898

helped Flavius Clean seedwheat we are getting our seed from Flavis W. very fine & Cool drissly rain awhile AM

- 27 A & Henry finished Plowing & rolling Alsike stubble soon after dinner A began grubbing it & Henry harrowed some that was gang plowed in fall Wheat & Oat stubble J Chored I got Mare Bonnie shod PM. W. fine & Cool
- Sunday 28 I & Nancy & Annie went to Meeting at Widemans remarks by C Gayman sermon on St Mat part of 18 C by C Burkholder went to Herman's to dinner W. very fine Cler & Cool day
- 29 Henry began plowing in barley stubble A finished grubbing in Alsike field then he plowed too J helped Benj'n Mark out some drains with plow in Benj'n N E Corner field AM then he harrowed east of Orchard with Mare Tip PM Henry plowed with Mare Bonnie & Chief I took 4 bags & 2 of Oats to Br S's AM W. fine & Cler warmer
- 30 A & Henry Plowed J helped J D's thresh A J & Henry Plowed & A Picked Peas awhile & Harrowed with Mare Bonnie below Orc{hard}

### Aug 1898 Sept

- I & our women & Benj'n's Fannie & little Wilfred Picked & Pressed a lot of Elder Berries for Wine PM W. very warm & Cler
- 31 A & Henry Plowed J worked a little at drains at Benj'n's & began Cutting Hill Corn AM he took 3 spring waggon to Whitevale to get fixed PM I took 5 bags barley to Br S's this evening W. very very warm
- Sept 1 A & Henry Plowed J cut Corn AM he struck the Point of the Sickle into his foot it lamed him he took Beef hide to Kennedys (he takes it to Toronto for us) then he took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's W. very very warm & sultry Cloudy at times 88 dg. today Our Beef was killed for the ring last night it dressed 484 & was fat
- 2 A & Henry finished plowing barley stubble & Harrowed J helped Thomas thresh all day W. very very warm a fine heavy shower at noon a heavy squaal of wind distant thunder
- 3 Boys finished harrowing & began to roll & sow barley stubble AM A & Henry Cut some Hill Corn PM J Sowed & I finished rolling field PM W. very warm but fine Breeze I went to Cedar Grove & brought home Barley Chop from Br S's

#### **Sept 1898**

- Sunday 4 at home all day Henry & Adeline went to Davids to dinner A went too PM on Bycicle Susanna Came home with them W. very warm but fine Breeze getting Cooler this evening
- 5 J finished Sowing Barley field & began in Alsike Henry harrowed in alsike field A worked at drain at Benj'ns PM W. a very fine steady rain awhile AM not near so warm
- 6 J finished sowing Alsike field Henry harrowed till about 1/2 past 9 Oc then he went to help Flavius thresh A dug drain at Benj'ns AM he & J ganged in Pea stubble PM W. misty awhile this Morning fine shower Just before dinner a heavy shower after dinner I took 6 bags Peas & Oats to Br S's AM Nancy & Susanna went with Me as far as Flavius I walked to Flavius PM
- 7 J & A began Plowing in N W Corner field Henry helped Flavis finish threshing AM J & Henry Plowed PM & A worked at drain W. fine Cool

#### Sept 1898

Some rain this Morning I took 6 bags barley to Br S's PM & brought home Mixed Chop that I took yesterday

- 8 Henry helped Benj'n thresh J Plowed A helped Thomas draw in Corn with team he is filling his Silo I & Nancy & Anne went to Davids to dinner went awhile to Herman's Anne staid at Davids till we Came back Lydia & her Mother are both not very well getting better. W. fine & Cool strong S W wind a little Cloudy PM slight rain this evening
- 9 A helped Thomas draw Corn without team AM J & Henry Plowed A worked at drain PM Henry Cut Corn PM I went to Cedar Grove & brought home Chop PM Susanna went with me W. Cooler I & Nancy went to Br C's after supper to see {blank space} Nisley from Pennsylvania
- 10 Henry helped N B thresh J began plowing in wheat stubble in N E field A worked at drain AM finished Cutting Corn PM W. very Cool I went to Norris's for the loan of a tiling spade

#### Sept 1898

Sunday 11 all went to Meeting at Hebron except J remarks by C Gayman Sermon on Matt 26 & 27 by Br C Lords Supper was Celebrated M N's & Davids were here to dinner Amelia Ernest & Karl Came over alone PM & Staid to Supper W. very very fine Cool & Cler Davids Call their little boy Lewis a white frost this morning done no ha{rm}

- 12 J plowed A worked drain Henry helped N B finish threshing AM he plowed PM Nancy & Susanna went to Markham PM Fanny Grove brought two girls from the Twenty Rittenhouse & Culp to supper W. very fine September day
- 13 A worked at drain J & Henry Plowed AM Henry helped Flavis level new ground with team & J made about 70 gals Cider at Cedar Grove PM I brought some Tiles that were left at Flavis & to Benj'n & drew a lot along the drain PM

# **Sept 1898**

- I & Nancy Picked a lot of Cider apples AM. W. very very fine
- Henry began plowing south of bush J finished in Wheat Stubble in N E field then brought 500 2 in Tiles from Petty's AM then he plowed too PM I drew a lot of Tiles along drain this Morning I & Nancy boiled 2 Kettles of sauce today A dug drain W. fine warm Cler
- 15 J & Henry finished Plowing south of bush AM began below garden PM J took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's after 5 PM I plowed with his team while he was gone A dug drain W. pretty warm Thunder shower went around
- 16 A dug drain Henry Plowed J brought 2 loads 1000 2 in Tiles AM he Plowed PM I & Nancy went to Benj'ns this Morning they are boiling sauce Nancy staid all day I took 5 bags barley to Br Ss & brought home load of Chop PM W. very fine & warm looks like rain a slight shower early this morning
- 17 J & Henry Plowed AM they Cut feed Corn PM tried with Binder would not work so they Cut by hand A finished drains this evening he put in about

#### **Sept 1898**

I took home Norris's spade this eveing W. very very fine day

- Sunday 18 at home all day Br Ss Lydia & Bertha & Herman's were here to dinner Benj'ns Called awhile PM W. a fine shower last night Cloudy awhile this morning fine & Cler today
- 19 A & Henry Plowed J cut feed Corn AM J plowed PM & Henry Cut Corn E Lewis was here to dinner I took grist Chop to Br Ss & brought home a load AM W. fine Cool Cler
- 20 A & Henry finished Plowing east of Orchard AM began behind barn PM J put in a few rods of drain to lengthen 2 drains that empty into Creek in N W Corner field we broke up the flats last fall & the drains had to be lengthened then he went to H B Lotts sale PM I brought home load Chop from Br Ss AM W. very fine & Cool & Cler

21 A & Henry Plowed J lengthened a drain in field south of house he ran it to the Creek A started about 4 PM to bring Jess Reesor's thresher from Menno Reesor's to Thomas's they broke the Tounge of the thresher & Could not bring it with the Engine W. very fine & Cool & Cler

# **Sept 1898**

- 22 A & Henry Plowed AM they began to draw feed Corn along fence north of wheat field behind Cider house rain stopped them about 3 PM J helped Thomas thresh till about 3 PM Jesse Reesor & wife from St Joseph Island were here to dinner W. warm AM Cloudy PM rain not very heavy off & on till evening drissly yet bedtime Herman's Lydia & Harvey & Lena Hoover Called PM
- 23 A & Henry Plowed J Chored Thomas's brought Levi Weber & wife & Aaron Bauman & wife from Waterloo to supper W. rain till about 9 AM then again heavy about 3 PM & again after supper some thunder but not near warm they finished Plowing behind barn & began in Pea stubble on Knoll
- 24 A & Henry Plowed AM Henry went to Stouffville with Susanna & Anne PM they took supper at Herman's Susanna staid J lengthened out a drain in N W Corner field he brought 100 3 in tiles this Morning with Mare Bonnie Br in law S Lehman's Came at 3 PM & staid to supper W. rather Cloudy Cool

#### Sept 1898

Sunday 25 Henry & Mary went to Meeting at Widemans I & Nancy went to Flav{ius} to dinner W. rather Cloudy this morning very fine Cool & Cler today

- 26 A & Henry Plowed on Knoll J helped Flavius put poles on top of Posts on wire fence on east side of his lane I took 6 bags barley to Br S's & went to Cedar Grove AM I & Nancy went awhile to A Bs PM W. fine warm a fine shower about 4 PM distant thunder
- 27 A & Henry finished Plowing Knoll till abo{ut} 3 PM then they drew feed Corn J began digging drain a branch in old Beaver dam in N W Corner field I took 4 bags Pea & O{at} Chop to Br S's AM

took Tiles to drain PM took Susanna to Br C's PM & brought her home this eveing W. very fine & Cler This is my 62 Birthday

28 A & Henry drew dung on South part of N W Corner field J went to Herman's on Bycicle then took Herman's Mare & went to Stouffville for Susanna's new Bonnet AM he finished putting in Tiles about 10 or 12 Rods then I & he Picked a lot of Pears in back garden I & Susanna went to Markham AM W. very very fine & Cler day

## Sept 1898 Oct

- 29 Boys finished drawing dung we intend to sow our Mangels on it the south part of N W field J took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's toward eveing I & Nancy dug 2 Baskets of Sweet Potatoes PM W. very warm fine & Cler
- 30 J & A spread dung & Henry Plowed AM A & Henry Plowed PM Br inlaw Jesse Hoover was here for dinner then when he was gone J helped I & Nancy dig last of sweet Potatoes they are fine we weighed one it weighed over 1½ lbs Herman Called awhile PM W. very very warm a very heavy shower towards eveing some thunder not very heavy I brought home load Chop & went to Cedar Grove AM I forgot to Mention yesterday that Susanna & Ketura went to Waterloo yesterday Morning with the visitors Weber's & Bauman's they started away from Thomas's they were there the last night
- Oct 1 A & Henry Plowed AM then A finished Plowing down the dung alone PM & Henry Plowed headlands south of bush PM it was too hard to plow them when they Plowed the field then he & J Plowed in the drains that J put in below Orchard then they Picked some apples. W. warm

Sunday 2 at home all day Adeline Mary & Henry went to U Drudges to dinner W. a very fine October day

### Oct 1898

3 J A & Henry Plowed on hill in north lane & drew dirt on dam to Keep the water from flooding the flats in field north of Orchard I took 3 spring waggon to Whitevale to get Circle fixed AM J helped

Albert to thresh A & Henry Picked Apples PM I brought home load Chop & went to Cedar Grove PM W. very warm

- 4 J helped David Reesor thresh till awhile after dinner A & Henry Chored I & Nancy went awhile to Flavius PM. W. a heavy thunder storm about 8 AM heavy rain pretty heavy thunder Cloudy all day drissly rain a good part of the time Cooler this evening wind from east
- 5 A & Henry Plowed in Meadow sod back of Orchard J Chored AM he went to Markham PM I & J took 3 bags Oats to Br S's & fixed some lumber Piles AM. W. pretty warm blowed up Cool this eveing Benj'ns Old Mare Doll died AM her Stomach Bursted
- 6 A & Henry Plowed awhile then Picked appls till noon they drew in all Hill Corn PM 11 loads I & Nancy took in Beets I brought home Oat Chop this morning J Picked apples PM I & Nancy helped awhile

#### Oct 1898

- W. very fine & Cool Flavis brought his children this eveing & Nancy went home with him
- 7 Boys Chored awhile this Morning then they went to Davids to dinner then to Markham W. rain early this Morning fine & Cool today Flavius brought Nancy home this Morning they are all well
- 8 Boys Pulled Mangels AM drew them in 13 loads PM I got 4 Bus Peas & 8 Bus Oats at Flavis & took it to Br S's & got it Chopped AM Caught a fine lot of Chubs W. very fine & Cler
- Sunday 9 All went to Meeting at Hebron except J remarks by C Gayman sermon on St John 4th C 1st to 15 V by C Burkholder C Burkholder's A B's A Lehman's young folks & Amelia & Ernest were here to dinner Enos Nighswander & family were here to supper Benj'ns Came after supper W. very fine
- 10 J helped Hermans thresh A & Henry finished Pulling Mangels Flavius came at noon & took Nancy with him. Flavius came this eving & told us that they have a little girl W. Cool N East wind Cler

### Oct 1898

- Henry helped Bob Milroy thresh J & A drew in 3 loads Mangels till rain stopped them about 9 am Henry Came home before dinner J got horses Fred & Laddie shod PM rain nearly all the time till evening Flavius brought Nancy home about bedtime
- 12 A & Henry Plowed J helped Bob Milroy thresh AM & helped A McCreig{ht} thresh PM I took Ernest & Carl home to see their Baby Sister then I brought home load Chop Br N's Jacob brought a young man Jacob Moyer from B{ucks} County Pennsylvania to stay all night W. pretty strong N W wind cler
- 13 J helped Pilkey thresh A & Henry drew in 2 loads Mangels then rain stopped them they Chored Moyer went to Markham AM with Henry's Bycicle he had a bad time it rained all the way home Henry took butter & eggs to Lewis's W. drissly nearly all day. I walked to Cedar Grove AM
- 14 J Plowed A got Horse Chief Shod & went to Markham Henry Husked Cor{n} AM J took 300 ft Elm to R Pringles in Markham A & Henry husked corn PM I & Nancy went to Flavis & to Cedar Grove AM W. drissly at times rather cloudy all day

# Oct. 1898

- 15 Boys finished drawing Mangels {blank space} loads AM they Plowed PM W. pretty strong N W wind Cool all day I went to Benjn's AM & to Flavis PM
- Sunday 16 I & Nancy & Anne went to Meeting at Altona A Adeline & Mary went too Remarks by Br C Sermon on St Mat 13 C by C Gayman went to M Ns to dinner W. sharp white frost this morning cler & Cool today
- 17 A & Henry Pulled Mangels at Flavis for the 11th row J made 50 gals Cider at Lapps he took 425 lbs Apples & sold them I & Nancy boiled a kettle full of sauce PM J brought home A & Henry & a big load of Mangels for our share about 4 PM W. east wind strong not Cold
- 18 I & Nancy Boiled a Kettle full of sauce AM Boys dug Potatoes did not get them harrowed out the girls helped to pick awhile J went to Locust Hill this evening & brought Susanna home W. a strong gale of wind from East all day began to rain about 3 PM not Cold

19 Boys Picked winter apples I got 8 Bus Oats & 4 bus Peas at Flavis this morning at Flavis & Took it to Br S's Nancy & Susanna went with me to Flavis & I brought them home again

## Oct 1898

- I & Nancy went to Markham PM went around by Davids W. very fine & warm Jos Grove's were at Thomas's & brought Russell here he staid to dinner
- 20 A & Henry Pulled Mangels a few hours for Flavius J Chored & got barn ready for the Clover Machine I brought home Chop AM Jess Reesor & Elias Ramer threshed the last of Our Alsike nearly 4 bags got done at Sunset W. very fine east wind but it was not very bad in the barn I took Butter to Lewis's PM
- 21 Boys Chored & harrowed Potatoe ground AM A took Clover Machine to A Pikes Henry Plowed in root ground PM they had a Break on the Traction Engine this Morning Ramer throwed it in Gear too sudden & Broke a Cap they fixed it at Thomas's Johnny Reesor's brought Menno Shants & wife & Henry Weber & wife from Waterloo to dinner. They Came with Susanna & Ketura on Tuesday W. east wind not strong Cloudy a little drissly PM heavy rain after dark raining heavy yet
- 22 I & Boys husked Corn. Benjn & Sherman helped AM J got Mare Bonnie Shod PM

### Oct 1898

I A & Henry husked PM it is not turning out very well the weather was too dry but there are some fine ears W. rain all AM Clerd up PM

Sunday 23 Henry Adeline & Mary went to Meeting at Widemans I & Nancy & Anne went to Cober's Meeting Peter Reesor & family were here to supper. W. a rather rough wind not very Cold. but Cler

24 J helped Benj'n Clean spring Wheat A & Henry Picked Winter apples AM I & Susanna went to Markham PM Henry Topped Turnips with hoe A & girls & Nancy Picked Cider Apples 30 Bus &

A took them to Lapp Cider Mill Sold them @ 10 cts per Bus PM J fixed Barn roof W. very fine & Cler

- 25 A & Henry Plowed in Corn & Potatoe ground AM Henry ganged in Mangel ground J Plowed in sod PM A Chored & fixed barn ready to thresh Br inlaw Peters were here to dinner W. very very fine & Cler day warm
- 26 A & Henry Cleaned Alsike seed J Plowed in sod I asked hands to help thresh: AM Henry helped Johnny Reesor thresh PM Sherman helped Plow I & A Cleaned seed PM W. a little drissly AM Cler Cooler PM

### Oct 1898

- 27 Had Jess Reesor threshing he Threshed all our Oats 21 Acres yielded about 7 or 800 Bus & about 50 Bus Barley got done at noon A Plowed PM J & Henry drew a Jag of second Class wood from Flavius bush for Jess we sold him about 2¾ Cords @ \$2.00 per Cord J & Henry finished Cleaning Clover seed after they Came home I took Butter to Lewis's PM W. a very little snow this Morning Cool pretty strong N W wind Colder this eveing This is our 41st wedding day
- 28 A finished Plowing sod Henry Plowed for Benj'n PM J & A Cleaned 20 bags Oats PM J D's Thomas & girls were here awhile this eveing W. white frost this moring
- 29 A took 30 bags Oats nearly 80 Bus to Locust Hill @ 24 cts AM Henry turned out Turnips with Plow I harrowed them after dinner they drew with one waggon Thomas's Man helped with waggon they took in 17 loads I got 13 Bus Barley at Pilkey that he Borrowed I took it to Br S's PM & went to Cedar Grove W. very very fine white frost last night

Sunday 30 I & Nancy & Anne went to Benj'ns to dinner A & Henry Susanna & Mary went to J D's Adeline has been at Flavis the last 4 days she was there today J Kept house. W. Cloudy, drissly rain all PM & nearly all AM too

#### Oct 1898

- 31 Boys Cleaned some Alsike tailings Henry finished ganging Mangel ground & began behind barn to gang where it was single plowed J & A Picked 8 bags Cider Apples in young Orchard & A took them to Lapps & got about 50 gals Cider made I took 7 bags Oats to Br S's & brought home barley Chop AM W. Colder Cloudy at times
- Nov 1 A & Henry ganged behind barn AM they drew in last of Turnip 7 loads PM I & Nancy & Anne went first awhile to Tilman Ramer's he was badly hurt on Thursday he & Another man were binding a load of hay & the binding pole broke & fell backward & struck him on his head he is fast in bed Anne got out at the Sideroad and walked to Davids we went to Herman's he has had Inflammation in his back is better Lydia had Cold in her lungs is better C Burkholder had touch of Grippe is better we had dinner then Called at Davids Esther had touch of Grippe is better W. very fine roads pretty good
- 2 A & Henry ganged I went to Cedar Grove AM brought few bags Chop from Br S's PM Br N's brought Pre A Rittenhouse & wife to supper W. very fine pretty strong N W wind not Cold

#### Nov 1898

- 3 Henry finished Plowing headlands behind barn then he & A ganged in turnip ground A Grubbed in sod PM he finished rolling it yesterday PM I & Susanna went to Markham AM I took Butter & 3 pr Chickens to Lewis's PM Ernest went with me J helped Benj'n draw in Corn PM W. very fine Cler Sharp white frost this Morning roads good
- 4 Henry ganged south of garden AM A began grubbing in N W Corner field AM J Grubbed & A & Henry drew in feed Corn that was stood up along fence PM W. very fine AM Cloudy PM I took Susanna to Flavis AM brought her home this eveing
- 5 A & Henry drew in load of wood from Flavis into shed & then drew from old bush J took some Oats to Greenwood & got Oat meal AM Mary & Susanna went to Markham PM I walked to Cedar Grove AM to get a Tug of my Harness Mended A helped Thomas cut feed awhile PM he & Henry drew wood PM till rain stopped them about 3 PM W. very mild all day a little showry AM some Showers PM

#### Nov 1898

- Sunday 6 All went to Meeting at Hebron except J remarks by C Burkholder sermon on St Luke 14 C by Abraham Rittenhouse from Clinton Joseph Groves & wife & Jesse Cober were here to dinner & Martin Barkeys to supper Hermans & Davids Called a few Minutes PM Susanna went with Herman's W. Cloudy at times Mostly Cler
- 7 A & Henry took Corn to J D's to press AM did not get Much since the press was not set Close enough J brought home Chop AM J & A went to sale of standing timber at Br N's Jacobs PM I have lame back W. very fine a very little skim of snow on the ground all gone again
- 8 A ganged below Orchard AM Thomas's man helped Henry went to J D's & Pressed the Corn over again got a little more Juice Nancy Boiled it down on the stove J helped Flavis take a fat Cow to Lewis's Henry went to Markham PM Flavis brought Fanny & the little Baby Girl (Eva) they were here all day the little boys too W. very fine & Mild I took 5 bags barley to Br S's & went to Cedar Grove AM
- 9 Boys went to Tran's farm on 11th Con Markham to see Plowing W. drissly rain AM soft snow from 10 Oc getting Colder towards eveing Hermans Called AM & left Susanna they went to Benjins

### Nov 1898

- 10 didnt do much Davids were here W. soft snow from N East all day not Cold. a little rain mixed with snow
- 11 Boys Chored took off screen doors & Put on storm doors A took grist Oats to Br S's & brought home Barley Chop W. fine & Cler looks like winter about 5 in snow on the ground not thawing any Trees pretty well Covered with Ice
- 12 Boys Chored A & Henry helped Benj'n move Stove J went to Cedar Grove AM A & Henry went with Flavius & Jess Reesor Hunting Rabbits with Farret they Caught 6 J took a load of wood for Jess & brought Oat Chop home PM W. very fine & Cler a few sleighs running

Sunday 13 at home all day J D's & Benj'ns & Nancy Grove were here to dinner W. partly Cler drissly rain towards eveing

14 A & Henry helped Benj'ns Putty his windows the old Putty has Crumbled out AM Henry helped Benj'n finish the windows PM A made some window sash for Horse Stable & J took Mare Bonnie to get front shoe removed she hurt her foot by stepping on Something W. thawing snow going a little drissly rain this Morning

#### Nov 1898

- Boys cut feed & Chored AM A & Henry helped Flavis build foundation wall for Addition to his Pigpen PM J brought home Chop PM I walked to Benj'ns AM & to M Barkeys & Flavius PM. W. very fine & Cler. but Cool wind snow going Heavy white frost this Morning
- 16 A & Henry helped finish wall & began putting up building J Chored AM he & Thomas went Rabbit hunting PM Caught nothing W. very fine
- 17 A & Henry helped Flavius J & Susanna went to Markham AM Susanna is not so well J took Butter to Lewis's PM & brought fore quarter of Beef W. very very fine Mild & Cler
- 18 A & Henry helped Flavius they got the roof mostly on the Pigpen AM then they began inside PM I & J Cleaned 8 bags Wheat AM he took it to Cedar Grove Mills PM W. fine pretty Cler AM Showery PM a few Claps of thunder PM
- 19 A & Henry helped Flavius they are Blocking the floor of the Pigpen they got a great part of it done I & J husked Corn he made some water furrows by hand awhile PM W. mild Cloudy
- Sunday 20 I & Nancy & Anne went to Johnny Reesor's to dinner I took Susanna to Br C's

#### Nov 1898

before we went Adeline & Mary walked then Flavius Came & the girls Came home. W. fine & Mild

- 21 A & Henry helped Flavis AM J ganged south of bush Henry ganged awhile PM then helped J & A Overhaul old Orchard fence PM I & Nancy went to Funeral of Old Mrs Anthoney at John Milroys AM She was Buried at Highland Creek we did not go to the Burying W. very fine East wind strong this eveing I went to Thomas's after supper he got hurt this evening they were drawing stumps with the horses the Chain Caught his legs & he was thrown on to his Should{er} & badly shaken up. A went for the Doctor
- 22 Boys dug front garden then Herman's Came & were here for dinner A took 10 bags Barley to Br S's AM Henry brought it home this eveing A took Butter to Lewis's this evening Because Thanksgiving Comes on Thursday he took 12 Ducks for Benj'ns W. very fine AM showery towards eveing getting Colder this eveing

#### Nov 1898

Thomas Came over PM the Doctor says there is a rib broken he Bandaged him he says it will heal in about 2 weeks

23 Henry Nancy & Anne went to Markham J & A finished Orchard fence they Cut some feed & A brought Flour home this eveing W. freezing N W wind

Thanksgiving day 24 all went to Meeting at Hebron except J & Susanna remarks & sermon on St Luke part of 12 C by Br C J B's & Menno Burkholder's & little Russell were here to dinner. Russell Came to Meeting with his Grandfather Groves then Anne went with him to Thomas's & went to Davids with Grove's W. fine sharp & Clear

- Henry & Mary helped Benj'ns Butcher I & J & A Cleaned 20 bags Wheat AM A took it 45 bus 50 lbs to Spink Mills @ 70 cts PM W. 15 deg above Zero this moring fine & Cler today
- J & Henry Cleaned 22 bags Wheat AM they Chored & threshed few Peas PM they brought home sheep from Benj'ns we had them there with his Tup Thomas was here to get shaved J shaved him he Cannot use his left hand yet he can sleep very little lying down yet W. snow all day from east getting Colder the wind blows the snow off the road

### Nov 1898

- Sunday 27 at home all day Henry Adeline & Mary went to Martin Barkeys to supper W. fine Cler sharp air Herman's Came to stay all night
- 28 Killed our 4 hogs the whole family were here helping W. very fine & Cler getting Milder PM there is rough sleighing in some places
- 29 Henry helped Thomas Clean Wheat A took 22 bags 50 Bus to Spink Mills @ 70 cts AM A & Nancy went to Markham PM A went to Lunan's & Paid Taxes \$35.96 cts J went Rabbit Hunting to Taits swamp with J McGaw & W H Hall & Flavius got nothing Henry took Grist Chop to Br S's this eveing A & Mary went to Herman's after supper they intend to Kill hogs tomorrow W. a little snow this Morning fine today we see a few sleighs runing
- 30 A & Mary helped Herman's Kill hogs J & Henry went with Thomas Rabbit hunting awhile AM they Caught 7 Henry brought home grist & put some Apples down Cellar they are in the old Kitchen yet J went to Whitevale W. a little sno{w} this Moring Mild through the day

# **Dec 1898**

- Dec 1 Henry helped Peter Reesor Kill hogs for Thomas J & A Threshed few Peas & put apples down Cellar AM A got Horse Chief shod & went to Br inlaw Simon Hoover's to get some stuff that is good for thick leg on a Horse J took Calf & Butter to Lewis's PM W. a very little snow this Morning fine today not thawing
- 2 A & Henry drew home wood from old bush with sleigh there is enough snow in the bush for sleighing J & Benj'n & Thomas hunted Rabbits with Ferret AM they Caught only one I went to Cedar Grove Mills PM for our Buckwheat Grist W. fine & Mild thawing a little PM roads like a floor
- 3 A & Henry drew home wood from old bush J went Rabbit hunting awhile with Sherman March & Benj'n got none J went to Markham Pm to get some Patent Medicine for Susanna then she got worse & Henry went for Dr he Came this eveing W. very very fine & mild
- Sunday 4 all went to Meeting at Hebron except J & Anne they staid with Susanna remarks by Br C Sermon on St Mat part of 9th C by C Burkholder M N's Daniel Ramer & his son Martin David Burkholder & Susan Hoover were here to dinner W. mild east wind. Cloudy

began to snow from east about 4 PM snowing yet

- 5 Boys threshed few Peas AM J & A took 8 bags barley to Br S's then drew load wood for Jess Reesor from Flavis bush then went to Cedar Grove for a Barrel of Salt W. fine & Mild a great snow storm last night 16 inches of snow at Toronto good sleighing
- 6 J went to Markham took a Barrel of Apples for Matty Cook she lives in Mount Joy she has bought a house there then he went to Davids to dinner then went to Simon Ramer's sale he brought home 8 sucking Pigs that we get from Davids @ \$10 for 8 A & Henry went Catching Rabbits they got 3 W. fine & Mild some snow PM
- 7 Boys Chored & threshed few Peas AM J & A began Cutting wood in old bush PM Henry got Mare Bonnie shod PM W. rather Colder pretty strong wind
- 8 Boys Cut wood in old bush AM J & A took 5 bags Oats to Br S's I drew last of Jess Reesor's wood Henry took J's cutter to Whitevale to get shoes fixed then he took Butter to Lewis's W. sharp Cler Herman Came to stay all night with a load of Wheat he goes to Spink tomorrow

# **Dec 1898**

- 9 A went to Toronto with Sherman March they took 12 hogs for Benj'n they sold to Davies @ \$4.12 per Cwt live weight Henry went to Spinks with Herman J went Catching Rabbits AM with Thomas Flavis & Albert Caught 3 Henry went with Thomas PM Caught none J Chored W. pretty sharp Cler good slighing all the way to Toronto
- 10 A & Henry cut wood awhile at Flavius AM J brought Cutter home from Whitevale AM J went to sale of 40 Acres of the wood of the old Tait swamp PM A & Henry mended Harness PM W. strong west wind some snow AM north & South roads drifting not very cold
- Sunday 11 I & Nancy went to Br S's Henry Adeline & Mary went to Albert Reesor's W. very fine Pickering Townline drifted above Benj'ns our young folk did not venture to go to Meeting at Altona
- 12 A & Henry Cut wood at Flavius J took Susanna to Br C's to see Dr Robinson he Came to see Br C he has been in bed since Wednesday with Lumbago

### **Dec 1898**

he seems a little better today I went to see him PM W. Cler pretty Cold

- 13 Boys threshed Peas AM Henry helped Sidney Bear thresh for Thomas PM A & J Cleaned Peas & A took 9 bags Pea & Oat grist to Br S's PM W. 7 deg below Zero this Morning fine & Cler very Calm I went to Br C's AM he is getting some better I went with A as far as Br N's PM
- 14 Boys threshed Peas J went to Markham & around by David Groves PM A brought home Chop this eveing Br C able to walk again W. Milder a raw wind
- 15 A & Adeline helped Flavius Kill hogs. Henry took Cord wood to J McGaws in Markham PM J took Butter to Lewis's PM W. very fine Milder
- 16 Boys threshed Peas AM we took Pork out of Brine & put on fresh Brine PM W. very fine & quite mild A B's Jess & his wife Alice Stover Grand Daughter of Saml Stover were here to supper
- 17 Boys Chored AM J went to Whitevale with Benj'n to a sale PM they finished husking Corn AM

# **Dec 1898**

A & Henry hitched up Colt Billy PM he went very well W. very fine & Mild

Sunday 18 I & Nancy & Anne went to Meeting at Widemans remarks by C Gayman sermon on St John Part of 1st C by C Burkholder went to Br inlaw Peters to dinner W. very fine & Cler winter's day very good sleighing thawing a little I forgot to Mention that Thomas's have a little Baby girl born on Wednesday eveing Nancy was there both Mother & Child are doing well

- 19 I & Nancy Henry & Adeline helped David's Kill hogs J & A Chored tended on Mare Tip she has Weed very bad A went for Dr Robinson Susanna is worse W. pretty Cold. a raw sharp N E wind all day sleet & rain this eveing
- 20 Boys Chored they took load Chop to Br S's & brought it home PM Mare Tip better Dr Came PM Susanna some better W. drissly rain off & on all day foggy
- 21 Boys drew 4 loads Pine roots from Flavius into sugar bush J went looking for Foxes shot a Black squirrel W. fine thawing a little all day sleighing pretty good yet

### Dec 1898

- J & A drew off stumps at Flavis AM we did not draw them off the Hill on the sideroad last winter I & Henry helped the women Pick Poultry AM we Picked 7 Turkeys one Duck & 4 pr Chickens A Nancy Adeline & Mary went to Markham PM they took 3 Geese & 4 Turkeys to Wilson @ 7 cts for Geese & 10 cts for Turkeys Henry took 2 Geese 3 Turkeys & 4 pr Chick{en} to Lewis PM W. Mild Am Drissly rain nearly all PM
- 23 Henry helped Taylors thresh Am J & A Cut down few Cedars on edge of young swamp & Cut them into Posts they fixed Ash house and cut a lot of feed PM W. freezing a little
- Boys Chored & Mended Harness J & Henry trimmed few stumps & Cut down young Pines at Flavis PM I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove AM W. a little snow last night & heavy squaal of snow this morning Sleighing fair yet pretty sharp AM I forgot to say that Esther & Russell were here to dinner yesterday & Russell stays until Monday we took him to Thomas's to dinner today when we went to Cedar Gr{ove}

## **Dec 1898**

Christmas day 25 J Adeline Mary Anne & Russell went to Flavis to dinner I & Nancy went to Br C's to supper W. very fine. pretty sharp

- We Kept this day as Christmas our whole family were here to dinner 2 roast Turkeys the Boys went out early & Caught 3 Rabbits after the rest had gone home they went out & Caught 2 more W. very very fine & Clear day pretty strong west wind this eveing Russell went home
- 27 A & Henry Cut wood J took grist Chop to Br S's AM they Cleaned Peas PM a great load of visitors Came this evening 2 Culps & 2 Albrechts from the Twenty A Lehman's & Menno Burkholder's young folks brought them then a lot of young folks in the neighbourhood Came after supper the Twenty boys & girls stay all night W. very fine
- 28 A & Mary went visiting with the Culp Boys & Albrecht girls J went to Hermans & Called at Davids W 5 below Zero this Morning 7 above this eveing began to snow after dark

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- 29 J went Rabbit Hunting with Thomas Caught 2 A & Henry took grist to Br S's & brought home Chop with Colt Billy & Horse Fred he went well J & Henry went to J Adam's sale PM A took Butter to Lewis's PM W. a few inches snow last night mild today thawing PM sleighing getting thin
- 30 Boys Chored AM A & Henry Cut wood PM J took Susanna to Br C's PM to see Dr he Came to see Ketura she is not well she has Dropsy I walked to Benj'ns PM W. drissly rain AM Cleared up PM getting Colder freezing tonight the sleighing is pretty near gone Boys brought home grist with sleigh this morning
- 31 Henry went to Markham AM he went with Cutter pretty tough sleighing in places A has Cold they did not do much today A went to Funeral of the late Joseph Laughlin's widow PM W. 1 below Zero this Morning Cold N W wind all day

Sunday January 1 1899 all went to Meeting at Hebron except J & Susanna remarks by C Burkholder sermon on

### Jan 1899

St Luke 2nd C 22 to 32 V by Br C Christian Burkholder & wife were here to dinner W. 5 deg below Zero this Morning Clear Cold all day Milder this eving I think there was only one Buggy at the Meeting

- 2 Boys didnt do Much they Cut some feed & drew some limb wood home from bush AM W Shank was here & bought 8 pigs @ \$4.00 per Hundred live weight or \$4.10 & 2 lbs off on each Pig to be delivered at Pickering on Thursday next W. sharp getting milder raw wind
- 3 A helped Thomas Kill Pigs J & Henry Cut down some trees in old bush & drew them out I took Susanna to Benj'ns & then took grist of Corn to Cedar Grove AM Henry got horse Fred & Mare Bonnie Shod & Came home by Br S's & brought Chop home J D's Thomas & Esther brought Abram & Mary Rittenhouse to stay all night W. getting Milder thawing a little
- 4 A & Mary went visiting with the visitors awhile to N B's to Benj'ns to dinner then awhile to Menno Stover's then took them to Menno Burkholder's & left them there Boys didnt do Much.

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- W. drissly rain off & on AM pretty heavy towards evening they went with the light Bobsleigh but it was pretty tough sleighing
- 5 J took 8 hogs to Pickering @ \$4.10 per Cwt live weight & 2 lbs off per Hog A got horse Chief shod AM Boys Chored PM W. Cler & Cold froze last night sharp N W wind George Duncan brought James & William Dyke from Muskoka sons of Matthew & Mary Dyke they were here to dinner A took Butter to Lewis's PM
- 6 Boys Chored & threshed few Peas J took Black sow to Flavis W. began to snow from East about 6 Oclock this morning snowed all day not much wind I went to Br C's to see how Johnny Rame's are both he & Mary have Diptheria they are getting better nobody goes into the house Thomas has went there about every day to see how they are doing Their hired man tends to the stock and boards at home it is Johny Feeney
- 7 Boys threshed few Peas W. pretty cold snow blows off the road. boys took some Chop AM & brought it home PM

# Jan 1899

Sunday 8 I & Nancy went to Br N's we went with Cutter the sleighing is very thin on the road but we Could get along in the ditch in places W. some Milder

- 9 Boys threshed & Cleaned up 25½ Bus Peas W. some snow AM it has patched up the slighing some E Lewis Called PM he bought 2 yr old steer & & Cow Rose @ \$63.00 for the Pair to be Delivered on Saturday next
- 10 Boys mended & Oiled double Harness J took & brought home a grist Chop at Br S's W Shank was here we sold 9 Hogs @ \$4.20 per Cwt to be delivered at Markham on Friday next W. Cold Cler 8 below Zero this morning about Zero all day 5 below this eveing
- 11 Boys Chored worked at Harness J went to J Isaacs sale with Flavis PM A & Nancy went to Markham PM W. 8 below Zero this Morning Milder today 10 above at noon snow PM from east they went to Markham with Cutter Herman Called AM

12 A Adeline & Mary went to Herman's & went to Stouffville with them. J went to Whitevale AM Henry finished Oiling Harness AM

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Henry took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's PM Flavius were here to supper W. Milder trees frosty this Moring I started to go to Lewis's after dinner when I went down the side road along Br C's fields the bolt holding the shafts Came out & I had to Come home again

- 13 J started at 6 AM with 9 hogs to Markham they weighed 1660 lbs @ \$4.20 A & Henry Cut wood in old bush AM they changed a lot of little Pigs from old horse stable & sheep Pen into the hogpen W. fine mild AM drissly rain PM not thawing very fast J went with sleigh
- 14 A & Henry took Cow & steer to Lewis's AM they did not do much PM W. began to rain from east before daylight slacked up a little about 9 Oclock Just when the boys started then began again & kept on they got home about 12 Oclock as wet as rats then it turned to soft snow PM then the wind turned to the N W getting Colder now did not snow much

Sunday 15 at home A went for Dr PM Susanna is not so well Flavis's Called PM Dr Came about bedtime he says Susanna's nerves are unstrung W. froze a little last night fine & mild today Creeks high sleighing gone

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- 16 A & Henry cut wood & J went to Cedar Grove AM Davids were here to dinner we hung up Pork to Smoke Benj'ns Fanny & little Wilfred were here PM W. fine & Mild looks a little cloudy again
- 17 A & Henry cut wood J went to Markham with Flavius. To Meet a Horse Buyer Flavius sold a 6 yr old Mare @ \$90.00 Ketura was here to dinner Thomas's to supper Maggie Craven was here with Thomas's Herman's Called awhile PM W. getting Colder freezing tonight Br S's Lydia & Bertha Called PM

- 18 A & Henry Cut wood AM J helped Henry helped Pilky Kill hogs A brought load of shavings from Whitevale factory PM J went to Cedar Grove PM W. Cler Cold 6 deg above Zero this Morning getting Milder this eveing
- 19 J went with Flavius to deliver his Mare in Stouffville A & Henry cut wood AM they helped Benj'n to move some hay in his barn PM I took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's PM roads very good W. fine
- 20 Boys Cut wood & helped Thomas Kill a Pig AM A & Henry cut wood & J helped Benj'n Cut feed PM he had Jess Reesor

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with his Engine & Thomas with his Cutting Box W. milder raw west wind I found out this eveing that a Tramp or Somebody forced in the south door of Hebron Meeting House & slept by the stove by all appearance a short time ago

21 A & Henry helped Benj'n Kill a big Pig J got Mare Bonnie shod I & Nancy fixed door Jamb Casing at Meeting house it was forced off he had attempted the north door & he spoiled the lock I & Henry went PM & took it off & brought it home & Henry fixed it & took it over & Put it on again J & A helped Benj'n load the big Pig & take it to Jess Reesor's he bought it @ \$5.00 per Cwt W. west wind a squaal of snow PM a little soft towards eveing strong wind getting Colder

Sunday 22 I & Nancy went to Ben Stover's to dinner W. fine & Cler west wind getting Colder towards eveing Benj'n's were here PM

23 J went to Cedar Grove Mills & got 4 bags shorts @ 70 cts per Cwt then he went to Whitevale for load of shavings for bedding

#### Jan 1899

A & Henry cut wood AM they Cut a lot of feed PM I walked to Flavis PM W. mild strong east wind PM

- 24 A & Henry drew off Pine roots at Flavis J took Horse Laddie to Whitevale to get shod AM Boys Cut apple limbs into stove wood in Old Orchard & brought load limb wood from old bush PM J Ionson & Mr Fisher Called PM I ordered a new seeder from Mr Gregg Agent for Massey Harris Company @ \$63.00 11 hoes W. Cloudy Am Cler Mild PM
- 25 Boys Cut wood AM Henry went to Markham to tell Dr that Susanna is not so well A took grist to Br S's PM I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM W. not very Cold west wind
- 26 Boys trimed dead limbs off trees in old Orchard & Cut them into wood Henry went to Milroys sawing Bee in Jacobs bush PM I walked to Cedar Grove PM Dr Called this eveing W. Mild strong west wind heavy squaals of snow this eveing getting Colder

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- 27 A & Mary went to Toronto on CPR Henry & Anne went with M Barkeys boys & N B's young folks with team J Took A & Mary to train & brought them home this eveing W. 4 deg below Zero this morning Cold N W wind all day went down this evening 9 above after dinner about 6 this eveing
- 28 Boys threshed Peas Benj'n helped AM J brought home Chop PM W. 5 below Zero this Morning pretty Cold all day
- Sunday 29 all went to meeting at Hebron except J & Anne staid with Susanna Flaviuss were here after meeting & Herman's were here when we came home remarks by Br C Sermon on St Mat part of 13 C by C Burkholder W. 5 deg below Zero this morning 11 above PM a fine little fall of snow last night a little more this eveing there was one Cutter at Meeting today
- 30 Boys finished threshing Peas AM they all went hunting Rabbits with Jess Reesor They caught 7 I went to Cedar Grove with Benj'n PM to get a suit of cllothes measured by Frank Reesor but he was not there

### Jan 1899 Feb

W. about 3 below Zero This Moring a few snow flurries PM there is no sleighing here yet worth speaking of in the north a few miles it is passable

- 31 A got horse Fred shod J & Henry chored AM A took a Cord of Green first Class wood to Markham with waggon we sold it to Frank McCreight @ \$ {blank space} he made each of the Boys a pair of Leggings J & Henry Chored W. 3 deg below Zero this Morning up to 10 at noon down again pretty low this eveing Frank Reesor called this eveing & took my Measure for a suit of Clothes
- Feb 1 Boys drew out some wood in old bush AM J went to Pilkeys sawing bee in Jacobs bush A & Henry went to cut some in Flavius bush PM but it began to snow from west & they came home & cut & split wood in shed W. Cler Am Snow PM. did not snow much

Candlemas day 2 A & Henry cut wood at Flavius AM they went to Milroy & Brodies Sawing Bee in Jacobs bush PM J Chored & took Butter Eggs & 4 pr Chickens to Lewis's PM. W very fine & Cler all day Getting Milder 24 above Zero at noon

3 J went to help Thomas Jess Reesor & Peter Reesor at Hillside to take Mrs. Gunn to Locust Hill & then they all went with her to Toronto

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they went to Davids to dinner then went to funeral I have lame back. Caught Cold

- 9 Boys Chored A took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's PM Nancy went with him as far as Flavis & staid till he Came back I walked & rode home too W. very Cold below Zero awhile very biting west wind all day heard today that John Hoover son of David Hoover at Uncle Josephus Reesor was killed by the fall of a tree yesterday PM
- 10 Boys Chored AM Cleaned last of Peas {blank space} Bus PM W. Cler very Cold N W wind 8 below Zero this Moring about Zero at noon a little above PM going down again this evening Herman Called AM to say that Elias Stover's Baby is dead

11 Boys Chored AM they all went Rabbit hunting with Jess Reesor & J McGaw PM they Caught 3 I went to Cedar Grove PM to fit my Clothes W. 11 deg below Zero this Moring a little above after dinner Air from N W 5 below at Bedtime

Sunday 12 I & Nancy went to Jacob Reesor's to dinner. W. 10 below Zero this Morning up to Zero about 10 AM Zero again tonight

### Feb 1899

Dr Came to see Ketura this eveing she has La Grippe

- 13 Boys Chored Cut feed & brought some Pine roots from Flavius PM J walked to Cedar Grove AM I went to Br C's AM Ketura is some better Dr Called to see Susanna this eveing she is about the same I brought a Pail of spring water for her from Johnny Reesor's for her PM she thinks she must have it W. 8 below Zero this moring 8 above today 5 above this eveing about sunset
- Henry went to Spink Mills for 1/2 ton shorts @ \$16.00 per Ton 6 bags Bran @ \$14.00 per Ton AM J & A went to Davids to dinner then they went to J Thomas's Sale on 8th Markham A got 2 Teeth filled W. Zero this Morning Milder weather has Come it went up to 20 above about noon & is mild yet. bedtime Ketura is some better & Susanna too Sleighing is wearing Out but Wheeling is very good
- Boys took grist Oats to Br S's AM they drove Colt Billy & Horse Fred in light Bobs they brought some gravel from Adams Pit for the hens PM W. about 4 in snow last night but the wind got up about noon & blowed it off in places. fine & mild

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E Lewis & a Toronto Man were here to dinner we sold Horse Laddie to the Toronto man @ \$108.00 dollars to be delivered at Lewis farm next week when we take Butter & Eggs Adeline & Mary went to sit up with Ketura tonight

- 16 A & Henry took 2470 lbs Hay to T Kennedy @ \$ {blank space} AM A helped Jess Reesor Cut feed at J Lapps for Thomas PM J & Henry split wood at Flavius bush PM I took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's PM I went with Cutter but it was pretty tough going in places M N's Called a little while PM W. very fine & mild boys took hay with waggon Herman came with sleigh to stay all night
- 17 J went with Herman to Spinks he took our waggon he brought a lot of shorts & Bran he took our waggon to go home A split wood at Flavius Dr Came to see Susanna she was not so well Ketura is doing well J went to Lewis's for some beef it was not Come he went with Buggy W. mild sleighing getting thin

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18 A & Henry split wood at Flavius AM they sawed some in old bush PM I went to Cedar Grove & got my new Clothes home PM I went with Buggy W. mild

Sunday 19 at home Flavius Children were here to dinner Flavius went to Herman's I & Nancy walked awhile to Br C's PM Ketura is doing well Becca is not very well A Adeline & Mary went to A B's to dinner W. a little snow last night fine & Cler today thawed a little in the sun. not much

- 20 Boys sawed wood in Old bush AM A & Henry went to David Reesor's sawing Bee PM J took some Peas & Oats to Br S's & brought home some Chop PM I & Nancy tapped 3 trees in dooryard PM sap run pretty well W. fine warm thawing about 40 deg above Zero
- 21 Boys took in straw & Alsike hay out of stack in barnyard it fell down last night & we think it Covered a Pig but we have not found it yet I walked to J D's this morning David's & Br in law Peter's were here to dinner W. fine foggy this eving began to rain about 9 PM

## Feb 1899

J & Henry Chored AM J went to Markham PM A & Sherman March went to Toronto with 2 of Our Pigs & 5 of Benj'ns they sold to Davies Packing house @ \$4.25 live weight they drove our Horse Chief & Benj'ns Major W. Soft snow & rain AM fine & Cler PM blowing up Colder this eveing Creeks high

- J & A took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's farm & took along Horse Laddie AM they both went to Benj'ns Sawing Bee PM I walked to J D's AM & went to Cedar Grove PM Br inlaw Jesse Hoover & Leonard Hoover (that is Peter's boy) Came to stay all night. Henry is sick Dr Called this eveing he says it is La Grippe Anne has it too W. Cler thawing in the sun Cold this eveing Herman's were here to dinner they went to Benj'ns Bee PM
- 24 J & A Chored A brought home Chop A went to E Cravens sawing Bee in Br C's bush PM J has Cold W. Cler sharp cold thawing a little in the sun

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25 Benj'n & Sherman helped boys draw in the Haystack in Calf Pasture AM J went to J B's & Paid Our note of \$250 that we borrowed off him when we bought the Shank farm A & Henry took in small load of wet hay PM & they Cut up the Pig for the Hens that we found under the straw Stack yesterday W. Cler but sharp East wind towards eveing

Sunday 26 all went to Meeting at Hebron except J & Adeline they staid with Susanna remarks by Br C Sermon on St James 1st C by C Gayman N B's were here to dinner J Adeline & Mary went to Benj'ns to supper W. a driving wind & rain from East last night & this AM freezing as it fell trees Covered with Ice ground very slippery very few people at the meeting fine & Cler PM Milder

27 Boys Cut a lot of feed & sawed in old bush AM they hitched up Mare Jenny rising 3 yr PM they drove her to Cedar Grove with Horse Fred in big waggon she went well W. Cold west wind Flurries of snow Ice all off the Trees

# Feb 1899 Mar

28 Boys A & Henry sawed some wood AM I & Nancy went to Flavius awhile AM their Children all took a spell of vomiting on Saturday eveing except the baby they are getting better again we Called at Br C's Becca is up again Ketura is in bed yet A went for Dr PM J has very bad pain in his back Dr Came this eveing he thinks it is La Grippe W. very strong West wind getting Milder some rain this eveing

- March 1 A & Henry hitched up young Mare AM they began to cut old Willows north of dam into stove wood PM J goes to the barn again but he does nothing yet E Lewis was here to dinner W. sharp AM very fine & Cler PM
- 2 A & Henry sawed at Willows awhile AM they went to Flavius sawing Bee PM I took Adeline to Flavius this Morning Then I & Nancy went awhile to Benj'ns little Wilfred has bad Cold. A took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's this eveing W. fine & Cler thawing a little raw East wind PM J is not improving very fast

- 3 A & Henry sawed willow J is getting a little better Adeline helped Benj'n Kill hogs W. Cloudy all day began to rain slowly from east towards evening
- 4 A & Henry sawed some wood AM Henry went to Collins Sawing Bee & A went to Markham PM I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove AM W. rather Cloudy Mild began to rain after dark

Sunday 5 at home all day J D's young folks were here to dinner I walked to Benj'ns PM to see how little Wilfred is he is not well W. about 2 in soft snow last night rain awhile this Morning Cleared up about 10 AM very heavy wind all PM blowed up very Cold towards evening freezing hard tonight

- 6 A & Henry sawed wood awhile A & Mary started to Davids about 11 Oc AM then they went to Markham Henry got Mare Bonnie shod PM J is getting better he walked to Flavis PM & to Benj'ns this eveing W. Cler Milder not thawing very much
- 7 Boys cut some old Apple trees into wood & picked some limbs in old bush Benj'ns Fanny & little Wilfred & Peter Burkholder's Ada were here awhile PM W. Cold N East wind Cler. but freezing.

- 8 A & Henry sawed & split a dead Maple into Stovewood that the gale blew down in Old bush on Sunday W. Cler Cold wind from N West all day
- 9 A took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's they also Picked 2 pr Chickens first & he took them along then J A & Henry went to J Kennedy's Sale of farm stock PM W. Cloudy a little Milder Adeline Fanny & the Children were here awhile PM Adeline is at Flavis this week
- 10 A took Adeline & Flavis's & Amelia to Browns Corners on CPR this Morning they are going to Toronto he brought them home again this eveing they Cut down & trimmed trees on East headland of the little field South of bush J walked to Whitevale this Morning & got a Tooth Pulled W. raw east wind pretty cold some sleet at bedtime
- 11 A & Henry drew Apple wood into wood shed & then Hitched up young Mare Jenny again AM they trimmed Apple trees PM & got down 40 Sap buckets & soaked them Br inlaw John Hoover's were here to dinner W. very mild thawing

# Mar 1899

- Sunday 12 I & Nancy & Anne went to Davids to dinner. we had intended to go to Meeting at Wideman's but it rained this Morning it Cleared up awhile but Came on Squaaly till noon after dinner there were squaals of snow & getting Colder the roads are very bad up towards Davids
- 13 Boys Clared up along south end of bush we intend to straighten it up so we Can plow out even lands without any wedge W. Cler cold thawed a little but froze again before night J went to a sale on the Old Abraham Ramer farm near Sparta
- 14 Boys trimmed in Old Orchard Henry took 8 bags Wheat to Spinks Mill PM @ 68 cts he brought home {blank space} Bags Shorts & {blank space} Bags Bran Shorts \$16.00 per ton & Bran \$14.00 W. thawing in the sun & freezing in the shade East wind strong this eveing
- 15 Boys chored J went to Post Office PM he & Henry drove out to Br S's this eveing to see the Creek it is very high W. rain last night ground slippery with Ice AM got milder PM rained very heavy at times a little distant thunder AM. Ice all gone very very strong wind got up after bedtime

- 16 A went to Markham AM I & J & Henry Cut some feed Herman's Came to dinner Boys all went to Stonehouse's Sale south of Sewell's PM Herman bought a Mare 8 yr Old \$93.00 6 per cent off for Cash J bought 3 hoes @ 25 cts W. Cler. Cold
- 17 J & A went to Herman's for {blank space} Bus seed Oats A rode Herman's Mare she was here all night I & Henry went to sale of the Property of the late C Patton of Boxgrove PM I bought 4 Planes Sash & Moulding & such like @ 25 cts for the 4 Also a Bureau @ \$5.00 Davids Called PM Anne went with them W. Cold Cler a little snow from East raw sharp East wind
- 18 Boys Chored. W. snow & sometimes sleet from East pretty Mild
- Sunday 19 Thomas's sent for me & Nancy to Come their Baby is very sick we went after 9 Oc AM it is very sick with Meningitis we staid till after 4 PM it seemed a little better W. a heavy fall of snow last night. Cler today a lot of sleighs running today we went in cutter. I think there are about 6 in of snow
- 20 Boys Cut down a dead Hemlock & a dead Pine & cut them into logs the last first growth Pine that we own

### **March 1899**

- I & Nancy went to Br C's awhile Ketura is not so well Br C has a touch of Grippe Thomas's Baby is a little better I went to Menno Stover's he has Grippe bad he is bedfast W. Cler AM very strong W. wind all day squaals of snow PM not so Cold Dr Called to see Susanna PM she is a little better good slighing
- 21 I & Nancy went to David's & took Anne & went to Br inlaw Enos Hoovers they were not at home then we went to Br inlaw Peter's to dinner then we went to Herman's & staid all night W. fine AM began to blow strong from East PM some snow not so very Cold but very stormy
- went to Markham from Herman's & done a lot of shopping got home in time for dinner. I went to Cedar Grove PM Boys drew logs yesterday & today AM Henry drew 2 big Elm logs for M Barkey's PM J went to Albert Reesor's Sale on the Old Joe Marr Homestead. A took Calf Butter & Eggs to Lewis's PM E Lewis's was here to dinner. W. Cloudy a little drissly rain AM slighing pretty good yet.

#### **March 1899**

- 23 A & Henry drew 2 loads logs AM Thomas Diller took a sleigh load to Jacob Groves PM A Henry & Mary went with them they started about 3 PM J took 9 bags Chop to Br S's PM W. about freezing all day pretty fair sleighing yet there was very heavy thunder last night & a heavy dash of rain. Henry & Elias Barkey were sitting up with Menno Stover last night he is a little better
- 24 A & Henry drew dung on N W Corner field I & Nancy went to Menno Stover's PM he is a trifle better, still bedfast. W. sharp. thawd middle of the day sleighing getting thin
- 25 A & Henry brought new Seeder from Locust Hill station AM they went with sleigh pretty tough sleighing they helped Benj'n draw dung PM J Trimmed Apple Trees W. Cler sharp thawing a little in the Middle of the day East wind PM began to snow from East this eving Russell Brodie had our light Bobsleigh to go to Markham & he took the Bureau

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that I bought at Pattons sale to Beierls to get it repaired & repainted

Sunday 26 all went to Meeting at Hebron except J & Mary remarks & Sermon on St Mat part of 25 C by C Burkholder (Br C did not Come he is not quite well yet) there was nobody to dinner except little Russell David's went to N B's then Called for him Menno Burkholder's young folks were here to supper W. strong East wind last night blowed the snow off the road or there would have been fair sleighing. very fine & Cler today thawed a little Buggies & Cutters at Meeting about half & half

- 27 A & Henry drew dung on N W field AM they took grist 5 bags of Wheat to Cedar Grove Mills with Horses Chief & Billy J helped Benj'ns Kill 5 Pigs PM I & Nancy went to A B's PM & staid to supper W. fine Cler thawing today freezing tonight
- 28 A & Sherman March went to Toronto 12 bags Potatoes 8 belonged to our boys & 4 of Benj'ns 5 Pigs of Benj'ns Potatoes 75 ct Pigs dressed \$5.40 per Cwt J & Henry Chored W. Blow from East snow at first drissly rain PM

- 29 A & Henry drew dung AM they drew home some wood PM J took Adeline & Mary to Flavius AM then he took Butter & 3 pr Fowls & 1 pr Chickens to Lewis's PM we did not send any Eggs we thought we might need them for Easter W. Cler. blowed up Cold last night. froze pretty hard strong west wind a little snow flurries
- 30 J & A Cut some feed J drew home some wood from Old bush & A went to Markham AM J went to J Thoms sale on the Old W Wilkie farm PM A brought home Grist from Cedar Grove PM Henry went to do Isaac Reesor's Chores last night he stays till next Tuesday W. Cler Cold NW. wind froze hard this morning thawed in the sun

Good Friday 31 all went to Meeting at Hebron except J he staid with Susanna remarks by C Burkholder sermon on St Mark part of 15th C by Br C nobody here to dinner J B's & M N's called PM A. Adeline & Mary went to Davids PM staid to supper W. very fine & Cler all day froze last night thawed some today

# **April 1899**

April 1 J & A Trimmed trees in old Orchard AM they tapped about 40 trees & made a set of quilting frames the sap run pretty well. I went to Cedar Grove AM. I & Nancy went to Menno Stover's towards evening he had Pleurasy had a bad spell but is better again. W. Cler Cold Air some squaals of snow PM.

Easter Sunday 2 A Adeline & Mary went to B Diller's to dinner I & Nancy walked to Aunt Lizzy Burkholder's to supper W. Cler. Cold N W wind freezing the sap run a little yesterday but it soon froze up

Easter Monday 3 Had all the family at home quilting little Russell has a bad Cold Davids left him at home Flavius had Company to dinner but they Came PM W. very fine & Cler, but a Cold wind sap run a little

4 I & Nancy & Anne went to Br inlaw Enos's J & A Trimmed Apple trees & took Chop to Br S's & brought Harrows home from Whitevale with young Horse Billy & Chief W. very fine & Clr roads dry nearly all the way

Air very Cold yet thawing in the sun freezing every night it is hard on the wheat but we hope the root is all right yet

- 5 Boys drew Apple Brush on a heap & trimmed the limbs out of it for fire wood J went to David Groves sawing Bee PM I went to see Menno Stover PM he was some better but we heard this eveing that he was worse again A & Henry gathered 9 Buckets sap this eveing W. very fine & Cler all day
- 6 Henry worked at Benj'ns in Sherman's place he had to go to Toronto on law suit A Adeline & Mary went to Markham & to Herman's Sawing Bee J brought home grist from Br S's AM he took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's he went to Markham this eveing to tell Dr to Come Susanna is not so well then he goes to tell Christian Burkholder to Come on Saturday at 10 AM to Menno Stover's funeral he died this Morning at 9 Oc he rested well last night but was taken worse about 8 Oc W. very fine & mild some East wind sap runs pretty well. Menno first had Grippe

## **April 1899**

then he took Pleurisy & finally heart failure

- 7 J, Flavius, Benj'n & N Burkholder dug grave for Menno Stover Henry worked at Benj'ns A Trimmed few of last Apple Trees & Mended Harness PM W. Cloudy AM drissly rain PM A went to Locust Hill with Thomas's team to Meet Ulrich Burkholder's from Indiana but they were met there
- 8 All went to Funeral of Menno Stover at Hebron except Nancy she staid with Susanna Sermon on Psalm {blank space} by C Burkholder W. Percy spoke on St John part of 11th C. Davids Herman J H Ramer's Wesley Reesor's Simon Hoover's & Albert's & Fanny Lehman were here to dinner W. ground white with snow all thawed today roads very sloppy
- Sunday 9 I & Nancy went to J D's Sarah Moyer & Johnny Reesor's Anne & Lucinda were here to dinner W. ground froze this Morning thawed Middle of the day Cold N W wind roads bad
- 10 Boys Cut feed & then sawed green wood that grew south of bush & along east fence south of bush A & Henry brought load of sawdust from Br S's this eveing

I Boiled about 6 quarts Molasses we finished it on the stove W. very fine & Cler white frost this morning

- 11 A & Henry sawed wood J worked at Benjn's I Boiled 3 quarts Molasses Br N's Called awhile PM. W. mild. East wind distant thunder this eveing steady rain white frost this morning
- 12 A worked at Benjn's J & Henry sawed wood AM they drew 2 loads sawdust from Br S's for Bedding PM I walked to Elisabeth Stover's AM Br C stays there with her now I went to Br S's with boys PM. W. fine & warm
- 13 A worked at Benj'ns again today Sherman is on lawsuit yet (Tweedie vs Milroy) but it Came off today Aleck Milroy Comes in for \$750.00 with Costs J & Nancy went to Markham AM Henry took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's J drew in logs PM I Boiled sap W. mild fine warm shower PM distant thunder A B's (that is Br inlaw A Burkholder's) moved in with Elisabeth Stover today to live with her for Company & work for her

# **April 1899**

- 14 Boys drew in last of logs at S M & drew away lumber AM sawed some willow limbs & J & A went to Cedar Grove Mills for some Bran. got none W. very fine & warm distant thunder AM
- 15 A & Henry split wood & brought home 2 bags Corn Chop from Br S's & 3 bags Bran from Flavius's Henry brought load Corn from Locust Hill for Br S PM J went down Petticoat Creek this morning to look for Sucker's saw none then he went to Kirkhams & Dipped 13 I went to Cedar Grove PM W. very fine & Cler all day

Sunday 16 at home all day Flavis' were here to dinner & Benj'ns PM W. about 2 in snow this morning all went away before 2 PM except a little in the shade Henry Adeline & Mary went to Br S's

17 Henry went to help saw for David at Br S's J & A Chored AM Piled lumber & brought home load sawdust I went with them & went to Cedar Grove W. fine East wind tonight white frost this morning. ground froze Dr Called to see Susanna last eveing

- 18 Henry Sawed J & A Chored AM A went to Markham & I & J drew in 3 big Elm logs for M Barkeys at Br S's PM W. slight white frost last night very fine & Cler today there are some bad frost holes in the roads in places
- 19 Henry sawed A & J Chored then I & A took 4 bags Oats to Br S's & went to Cedar Grove A got Horses Chief & Billy shod Billy on fore feet J trimmed Prune trees PM Herman's Called PM W. very fine & warm. shower this Morning
- 20 Henry sawed J & A helped Benj'n draw roots & rubbish off fallow at Flavis for fire wood for Benjn AM J went to Markham & A took Butter & Eggs & 5 pr live Fowls to Lewis's & brought some Chop from Br S's W. very warm & fine. some very bad Mire holes in the hills we hear of some people being stuck
- 21 Henry Sawed J & A helped Flavius Pick rubbish in his East fallow all day I went to Burrows & settled our Bill PM W. very fine & warm roads drying up fast

# **April 1899**

- Henry sawed till about {blank space} PM when he Came home & said they had to quit D March Cut his thumb on the slab saw & had to go to Markham to get it dressed J sowed Alsike tailings on wheat field east of dam & went to Cedar Grove AM A helped at Flavis AM C Gayman's & Elisabeth Koch were to dinner then we went to Half yearly Conference at Hebron Passed off well Abraham Hoover was here to supper W. very fine & Cler Boys had a great time spearing suckers last evening they Caught 43 from Henderson's Bush up to our fields
- Sunday 23 all went to Meeting except J & Adeline they staid with Susanna remarks by C Gayman Sermon on St Mat part of 5th C by Br C Umfrage C Burkholder & wife David's & Levi Burkholder were here to dinner Isaac Reesor's were here to supper W. very fine & Cler
- 24 A & Henry drew Brush out of young Orchard brought home Kettles & Buckets I & J fixed & filled Leech Hopper AM

A & Henry drew off stones & plowed in furrows south of Bush J brought 5 Bus Seed Oats from Alberts PM W. very fine & Cler warm Dr's Robinson & S L Freel Called to see Susanna PM they will consult together this evening & we will hear the result of their Consultation tomorrow

- 25 J & Nancy went to Markham AM Dr changed Susanna's Medicine did not say much I walked to M Barkeys for Black Currant sprouts A & Henry burned Brush at Flavis AM Boys all fixed fences PM W. very fine & Cler growing weather a little drissly AM the wheat is growing very fine
- 26 A & Henry helped Flavius Clear west fallows J drove down Posts along 11th Con AM they sowed field south of bush with Oats PM it worked well W. very fine & Cler Benj'ns Fanny Wilfred & their girl Ada Hare Called this eving

# **April 1899**

Herman Lydia & Harvey Called too Susanna was in bed most of the time today

- 27 Sowed field behind barn with Oats Sherman helped PM. W. very fine & Cler east wind J took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's this eveing I dug some garden
- sowed field north of Orchard with Oats except about 1½ acres on south side where we intend to plant Corn & perhaps Potatoes Sherman helped AM & Benjn brought his horse & worked him with Mare Bonnie he harrowed high places in Wheat east of dam AM. It is a little winter Killed W. very fine & warm Esther was here to supper J brought 8 bags Bran from Spink Mills PM with Mare Bonnie & 3 spring waggon I Put on some Plum grafts at Flavis PM
- 29 Henry harrowed field north of Orchard A rolled behind barn AM Henry helped Benj'n grub & A ganged in last years Mangel ground PM J got some repairs for gang Plow at George Davidsons AM brought home Bureau from Markham PM. W. very fine & growing weather

# April 1899 May

the wheat & grass are growing fine the trees are beginning to bud

Sunday 30 at home all day Br inlaw John Hoover's son Ed & daughter Charlotte were here to dinner Br inlaw Enos's & Flavius's Fanny & the Children were here to supper Benj'n's were here awhile PM Flavis Came after supper (I forgot to say that Johnny Reesor's were here to dinner) W. a slight shower this morning warm & Cler today

May 1 Henry helped Benj'ns A ganged J drove Posts along 11th Con I went to Cedar Grove J brought home some Corn Chop. J fixed land roller & I & he dug some garden PM Dr Called PM he says Susanna is doing well enough W. very warm. a thunder shower went north a little rain here. heavy north Br S & his wife Called awhile PM

- 2 Boys ganged. Sherman helped. J Chored. I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove AM A B's Lizzy Called PM W. very fine & warm Casper Wideman Came to stay all night
- 3 Sowed Barley about 15 acres N East field and the Knoll Sherman helped. Casper Wideman was here till after supper. he worked a charm

## May 1899

for Susanna for the disease Called (Decline) Br inlaw Peters & Mother inlaw were here to dinner A B's Lizzy & Elisabeth Stover were here PM. A went for them to see Grandmother W. fine & Cool. Herman's Called this eveing

- 4 Boys finished seeding AM they sowed field below house & east of Orchard Benj'n & Sherman helped A & Henry helped Benj'n's PM J B's were here to dinner W. Cool. strong air from east all day the Bush is turning green but the Cool weather keeps it back
- 5 Boys both helped Benj'n J went to Markham to tell Dr to come to see Susanna she is not so well he Came this eveing she feels a little better now Flavis Reesor was here to dinner he sells Nursery stock and Books I signed for Webster's unabridged Dictionary Bound in Cloth \$2.00 Cousin Susan Hoover & Lizzy Gibner were here to supper & Br S's Bertha & Lydia awhile this eveing W. Cool air mostly from the East

6 Henry helped Flavis AM A helped Benj'n till 10 AM then he rolled barley Henry harrowed & grubbed Corn & Potatoe ground in field north of Orchard I walked to Cedar Grove AM

## May 1899

W. warmer Cler slight shower PM Br N's Br C & Ketura and J D's girls Called PM Susanna feels a little better

Sunday 7 at home. Flavis's were here to dinner A B's to supper Jacob Reesor's & Benj'ns Called this eveing W. fine & Cler

- 8 A finished rolling Henry & J Planted 6 rows Potatoes on south side of field north of Orchard then Henry Cultivated in Mangel ground in N W Corner field then he got Horse Fred & Mare Tip shod I took 4 bags Barley to Br S's & went to Cedar Grove AM brought Chop home & Caught Mess Chubs PM W. very fine & Cler Herman Came for 4 Bus seed barley this evening
- 9 Henry brought load Corn from Markham for Br S. AM he & J helped Flavius work on side Hill fallow. A got Horse Chief shod AM he plowed in Mangel ground PM Esther & her boys were here to dinner Ketura too Anne Milroy was here PM W. very fine & Cler
- 10 Henry helped Flavius A Plowed Mangel ground J helped Flavis AM he dug garden PM went for Dr at 5 PM Susanna is worse

# May 1899

Dr came at bedtime says she is doing pretty well Barbara Stover Came to stay all night W. warm east wind PM I & J put on some Apple grafts PM

Ascension day 11 all went to Meeting at Hebron except J & Mary they staid with Susanna remarks & sermon on {blank space} by C Burkholder (Br C went to the Twenty on Tuesday)

Herman's & M N's were here to dinner Davids Called PM M Barkeys wife & Barbara Moyer Called this eveing W. very fine shower this morning fine today rain again this evening J Ionson came to stay all night with his Horse, Border Riever

- 12 A & Henry worked at Mangel ground I & J helped Flavis plant apple trees AM J helped him PM Joe Wideman fixed Clock PM W. very fine & Cler
- 13 Boys Chored AM they dug Post holes for a wire fence along Creek on south side of field north of Orchard PM I took Anne to Flavius this morning & went to Cedar Grove W. very fine rain this Morning drissly foggy AM Cler strong wind PM Cool

# May 1899

Creek running quite fresh it was stopped nearly stopped running

- Sunday 14 Henry Adeline & Mary went to Funk Meeting at Widemans (they have Sacrement) they went to Herman's to dinner Br S's & Br N's were here to dinner Thomas's were here all PM B Diller's were here to supper Thomas Diller & the girls were here after supper W. very Cool N W wind all day
- 15 Boys sowed Mangels W. very Cool there was a slight frost last night but I think it done no damage Nancy & Flavius Fanny went to Markham PM Dr Called PM Susanna about the same Robert Wallace was here to dinner
- 16 I & J Mary & Anne helped Scrub meeting house AM A & Henry drew dung on root ground Benj'n & Sherman helped PM with team Br inlaw Simon Hoover Called PM. W. rainy AM heavy at times PM. a little thunder PM
- 17 I went to Markham & Boys drew Posts to Townline south of graveyard AM they built a Barb wire fence from Graveyard south & around the Corner as far as the Creek PM Benj'n & Sherman helped

# May 1899

- W. rather Cloudy AM east wind some drissly rain toward eveing E Lewis was here to dinner
- 18 A dug drains at Benj'ns J & A Chored AM they put on last of wire on fence & drew away the rubbish PM I took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's PM W. Cool

- 19 Boys Chored drew home some wood I brought home bag Chop & bought some Cracked Corn for Chicken feed from Br S's W. quite Cool N W wind Cler
- 20 Boys Chored A went to Markham AM J pulled off Caterpillars off Apple trees (there were a good many) Henry finished fence from shop to Barnyard fence at water trough J & Henry took 1890 lbs Hay to Kennedy PM W. Cler. Cool wind

Whit Sunday 21 all went to Meeting except J & Adeline they staid with Susanna remarks by C Burkholder Sermon on St {blank space} by Br C Br inlaw S B Lehman's Benj'n Stover's & Wilmot Kirby were here to dinner Elias & Joseph Barkey were here to supper Edward Moyer's & N B's & Aunt Lizzy Called

## May 1899

very fine growing weather

Sunday 28 All went to Meeting at Hebron except J & Mary staid with Susanna Sermons on St Luke 22 & part of 23 C by Pre Jacob Weaver from Ohio & Bish A Martin from Woolwich Lords Supper was Celebrated David Burkholder A Lehman's young folks David & Esther & Matty Cook were here to supper Johnny Reesor's brought Pre Jacob Weaver & wife & Pre Jacob Neucomer & wife from Medina Ohio to stay all night W. Cloudy Misty. heavy shower AM Distant Thunder more rain after supper Distant thunder at bedtime

29 A took 3 Pigs 505 lbs to E Lewis AM Boys helped Flavius at drains between showers I & Nancy went visiting with Ohio friends first to Elizabeth's & A B's we had intended to Make a Call but rain stopped us we staid for dinner then to Susie Hoover's & then left Newcomers at Jake Kindys & took Weaver's to Widow Sally Hoover's & left them. JB will bring them to his

# May 1899 June

place & Newcomers will go there too & they will stay all night they go to Almira to Meeting tomorrow PM W. foggy this Morning gathered up heavy rain some thunder warm looked like Clering gathered again we got some of it when we were nearly at home

- 30 Three Boys helped Flavius draw off stumps with team AM Henry helped Flavis plow new ground PM we planted few trees where there were blanks along Pickering Townline W. fine
- 31 Henry helped Flavis plow AM A plowed Corn ground AM then planted hill Corn PM W. very fine warm & Cler I went down to Collin's with Benj'n & Sherman they began to draw gravel onto Benj'ns lane with 2 teams when we came back I took 3 spring waggon to Whitevale to get a Bolt put in the Circle

June 1 A & Henry Sheared 9 sheep I & J cleaned last of our Wheat 10 Bus & I took it to Cedar Grove Mills AM A & Henry Plowed in turnip ground J took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's & went to Markham to tell Dr to

# June 1899

Come he Came this eveing Susanna is not so well W. very fine Cler day

- 2 A & Henry finished plowing turnip ground J Sheared 4 last sheep & spread dung I & Nancy went to J D's then I brought home grist of Flour from Cedar Grove W. very fine & Cler & warm
- 3 Boys Chored drew away rails from fence north of Meeting house yard & Put in Posts from Creek at Corner of young Orchard to Townline A got Horses Chief & Billy shod PM I went to Cedar Grove PM W. fine

Sunday 4 at home Albert Reesor's were here to dinner & Flavis's to supper A B's & Elisabeth Called after supper W. fine rain & thunder early this Morning untill nearly 8 Oc Cler today

- 5 Boys Chored & drew Stones onto dam to fix the road at tumbling dam AM they drew willow stove wood home PM W. very warm a slight shower PM I & Nancy planted a lot of Melons on Mangel drills
- 6 Henry & Nancy took Wool to Almira & Henry went to Ratcliff's to look

#### June 1899

for shingles (got none) A & J Chored AM they brought one load of gravel from Adam's Pit & a load of small stones from Flavis's to put in front of water trough PM W. very very warm heavy thunder went around west PM. none here

- 7 Boys drew dirt into new Pigpen feeding room to raise it as high as the sills AM they Topped thistles PM W. very very warm thunder Clouds around all day Came up this evening pretty heavy thunder fine shower of rain. not over yet
- 8 Henry helped Benj's draw gravel all day J & A cut straw to fill our beds at Benjn's Our Wheat straw is all gone. then they finished putting in Posts for wire fence from young Orchard East across Creek I took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's PM Nancy went with me as far as Flavis's W. fine Cler some Cooler Herman's Called this eveing
- 9 Henry brought 2 loads gravel from Collins to put in front of Watering trough A harrowed turnip ground & Potatoes AM

#### June 1899

- J & Nancy & Anne went to Markham & to Funeral of S L Hoover's son Samuel at Wideman's PM they Called at Davids to supper Henry scuffled Mangels & A Cleaned out Henhouse PM W. very very fine & Cool Dr Called this eveing
- 10 J & Henry took load dung Made a open drill along turnip ground put in dung & Closed it it is for sweet potatoes A & Henry thinned Mangels Henry finished scuffling them before dinner J scuffled Corn north of Orchard PM W. very fine & Cler Cool
- Sunday 11 A Adeline & Mary went to Meeting at Almira. J D's Called awhile AM Benj'ns were here PM stayed to supper W. fine & Cool
- 12 I & girls Planted 212 sweet Potatoe Plants AM Boys thinned Mangels W. pretty warm Cloudy awhile AM thunder Clouds went around PM

13 Boys plowed & fixed ground at Benj'ns south of swamp & began planting Potatoes they are putting them in on shares W. very warm thunder Clouds went around J went to Dr after supper

#### June 1899

- 14 Boys finished Planting Potatoes at Benj'ns & Thinned Mangels I & Nancy went to M N's I & M N went to Whites Mills on 3rd Uxbridge where I bought 22 squares 1st Class Cedar Shingles @ 1.60 per Square. W. very warm driving to the north & East thunder Clouds in the north Came pretty near getting wet before we got home a fine rain after dark no heavy thunder Dr sent Medicine last night he Called this eveing Susanna has Sore Mouth & her throat & stomach feel sore too Dr says when it get better it will be a benefit to her
- 15 A & Henry thinned Mangels J ganged in turnip ground. A went to Dr after dinner Susanna is not so well he sent different Medicine I took 3 bags Chop to Br S's & took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's PM W. Cloudy & very fine shower AM Blowed up fine & Cool PM I & Nancy went to Flavis this eveing Amelia is not well. Beef Ring opened this morning
- 16 Boys fixed turnip ground & thinned Mangels AM Henry made drills & J sowed them PM A went for Dr PM he Came this eveing W. very fine & Cool

#### **June 1899**

I went to Cedar Grove & brought Chop home PM

17 A & Henry brought 21½ Squares shingles from Whites on 3rd Uxbridge (they Made a Mistake of one square in the loading) J finished thinning Mangels & Mowed Meeting house yard with Mower I & Nancy Cleaned drill of Beets & Mangels W. very fine & Cler

Sunday 18 all went to Meeting except J & Adeline remarks by C Gayman Sermon on St Mat part of 19 C by C Burkholder no visitors after Service Davids Called awhile PM Ed Craven's & Flavius awhile this eveing Nettie & Jacob Burkholder Called too W. very fine slight rain PM shower went around north this eveing

19 I & J & Henry Cut a Cedar log in swamp at Benj'ns & they took it to Br S's AM we want it cut into Planks for Pump Platform A drew 2 loads stones from Flavius AM Boys stripped all the siding off old Henhouse PM we intend to put a wall under it & sheet it up anew W. very fine & Cler pretty warm

### June 1899

- 20 J took 4 of our hogs & 5 for Flavis to Agincourt @ \$4.75 per Cwt live weight ours averaged 1{illegible} each A & Henry raised up frame of Henhouse & Henry dug Trench A began wall J & Henry brought load sand from Br N's bush PM I Caught mess Chubs & Br S's Pond PM W. very fine. Cool wind PM A took Mary to Markham AM she got 7 Teeth Pulled
- 21 Boys worked at wall I & Nancy & Anne went to Hermans to dinner W. very fine Cool
- 22 A & Henry finished wall J Scuffled nearly all day they all let down the Henhouse onto the wall & put in the studding I brought some lime from J D's & went to Cedar Grove AM I & Nancy walked awhile to Benj's PM then I took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's this eveing walked to Johnny Reesor's for some spring water for Susanna Dr Called this eveing W. East wind quite Cool
- 23 Boys all worked at boarding up the Henhouse & putting in door & window frames I took bag Peas to Br S's got them Chopped & went to Cedar Grove W. pretty warm fine Breeze PM

# June 1899

- 24 Boys finished Boarding up henhouse AM A & Henry went to Atha PM J went to Dr for Medicine Susanna's Mouth is very sore he sent some Medicine W. pretty warm Some Cloudy PM
- Sunday 25 Adeline Mary & Henry went to Meeting at Altona Benj'ns were here to dinner John Cober's were here to supper Dr Came & brought Dr Nichol to Examine Susanna he did not give us much Encouragement they were here to supper too W. very very fine day
- 26 Boys drew 2 big loads Hay from Barn at Benj'ns into our barn we have no Meadow this year but we have a lot of 2 year old hay in that barn that we will draw home J scuffled Mangels awhile

then he helped A & Henry pull Barley out of Oats south of bush we got the seed off Br N's Albert & they were Mixed with Barley I went to Br S's for some corn Chop

#### June 1899

& went to Cedar Grove PM & Caught about 2 doz fish in Br S's Pond one I think is a German Carp 6 in long W. very fine & Cler Davids came to supper

- 27 A & Henry drew gravel 2 teams J filled they drew from Adam's Pit on the Scarboro Townline as statute labor I went to Cedar Grove PM W. pretty warm a shower passed around PM Herman's Called this eveing
- 28 J & Henry drew gravel AM with one team which finishes our work except 1/2 day they done nothing PM W. Cloudy dropping a little rain AM steady slow rain nearly all PM Cooler Dr Called PM he says Susanna's Case is pretty bad A has symptoms of Congestion on the lungs he gave him some Medicine
- 29 J & Henry Plowed on Pickering Townline from our Corner north about 60 rods the road Machine is Coming on soon they also moved a Culvert A done nothing W. very fine & Cool Mrs Burrows Susan Diller & Mrs Macklin & Mrs Stonehouse

### June 1899

were here to Supper I took Butter to Lewis's PM

- 30 I & J fixed Culvert Bridge & some Guard rails on 11th Con AM Henry Mowed fence Corners A put nests into Henhouse AM they drew 3 loads hay from Benj'ns PM W. very fine. sun warm fine Breeze I went to Cedar Grove before dinner
- July 1 Henry took teams & helped to run the Road Machine then he rolled the piece that they done till about 5 PM J & A hoed Potatoes AM A hoed hill Corn PM J went to see J Bishop PM I got 5 bags Oats at Thomas's & took them to Br S's this Morning W. very fine strong West Wind PM Mary Ramer A B's Lizzy & Elisabeth Stover Called PM. Susanna a little better

Sunday 2 I & Nancy & Anne went to Meeting at Widemans Sermon on St John part of 1st C by C Burkholder & Br C Jacob Groves Junr & his wife were Baptized today we went to J B's to dinner W. very warm Dr called PM Susanna pretty well

# **July 1899**

- 3 Boys drew home last of hay from Benj'ns there were 10 loads altogether. W. very warm a slight shower last night
- 4 J scuffled Potatoes & Corn A & Henry mowed fence Corners AM they put Paris Green on Potatoes PM I brought Chop from Br S's PM Adeline & Mary went to Markham AM W. very very warm
- 5 Boys hoed Mangels & put on new platform on well I brought bag Cracked Corn & went to Cedar Grove PM Danil B Hoover & wife were here to dinner Herman & Jacob Hoover Called this eveing they were at Pickering for shorts W. very very warm
- 6 J & A worked at Flavius putting in a granery into South leanto Henry drew dirt on stones at dam Crossing & Chored I took Buggy to Whitevale to get Tires set AM & took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's towards eveing Flavius Reesor & wife were here to dinner Br N's wife & U Drudges Called PM W. pretty warm Cool wind

# **July 1899**

- 7 J & A worked at Flavius AM Henry Chored they all worked at Corn Scuffling & hoeing PM I brought Buggy home PM W. some Cooler
- 8 J worked at Flavius Henry Cut Thistles on road around our farm A fixed Canvas on Binder I went to Cedar Grove & took few Peas to Br S's & got them Chopped AM W. very fine rain last night some thunder warm AM very fine heavy showers PM some thunder not heavy there is a lot of water in our Pond it was pretty low

Sunday 9 at home J D's Called awhile then Herman's Came & Davids then M N's then Flavius they all staid to dinner Aunt Lizzy Burkholder & Tilly Called awhile PM then J H Ramer's & Br S's

Came to supper Flavius staid too Jacob Reesor's Called awhile PM W. very fine & Cool Dr Called yesterday PM he does not give us much encouragement. Strong wind from N W through the day Calm tonight

10 Henry mowed swale J scuffled turnips AM A helped N B's draw in hay all day Henry helped Flavis draw hay PM

## **July 1899**

J cut swale with Mower PM I went to Cedar Grove PM W. very fine. rather warm through the day

- 11 A helped N B's J & Henry thinned turnips I & Mary & Anne went to Markham AM W. slight shower AM thunder shower went around PM I Pulled the Buggy around in the lane this Morning to give Susanna a driver she thought it done her good
- 12 A worked at Thomas's for Ed Craven AM J went to raising at Taylor's (on the old D Hoover farm) raising a shed AM Henry took 6 Hogs 1040 lbs @ \$4.75 per Cwt AM A & Henry took in about the last of swale & fence Corner hay & J went to Dr Susanna was taking a Sun bath this morning & the sun was rather too strong & she fainted she is rather better tonight the Dr sent some Medicine W. very fine & Cler. Cool wind A B's Lizzy Called PM Joe Groves & Russell Called awhile PM
- 13 I brought home Beef from M Barkeys this Morning Our steer was Killed this week he weighed 450 lbs I took Hide to Cedar Grove AM I took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's PM

July 1899

A worked at N B's J & Henry scuffled Mangels & Potates & gathered last of hay Herman Called this eveing W. very fine & Cler. Cool breeze looks a little like rain this evening

14 Boys hoed Corn & Potatoes north of Meeting house AM J scuffled Corn A & Henry helped Benj's thin turnips PM. Br Ns Called PM Danl Shirks & David Ramers were here to supper W. very fine & warm. Cool Breeze I & Nancy planted some Celery in Benj'ns root field AM Br C's

Came home last night from Cayuga they went on Saturday Freeman Rittenhouse was Ordained as Bishop on Wednesday

Henry helped Pilkey draw in hay J & A put Paris Green on Potatoes AM J went to Jos Kochs Barnraising A went to Markham PM I brought a bag Corn Chop from Br S's PM W. pretty warm AM very fine steady rain PM quite a fine rain Herman's Called few Minutes this eveing Esther & her boys Came with P & Thomas they stay all night

### **July 1899**

Sunday 16 all went to Meeting at Hebron except J & Nancy they staid with Susanna remarks by C Burkholder sermon on St Mat part of 16 C By Br C. C Burkholder's were here to dinner & J B's to supper Nancy Grove & Benjin's Fanny Called PM & Flavis's all were here awhile this eveing Dr called PM he says Susanna is about holding her own for the past week W. foggy & Cloudy AM Clered up PM. warm

- 17 A & Henry thinned turnips J went to help finish raising Joe Kochs barn they did not get it finished on Saturday on account of the rain he helped finish thinning turnips PM W. very fine getting Cooler Benjn's took away our binder this Morning to Cut his Rye & Wheat
- Henry Cut Rubbish in old Orchard J & A put extension Cornice on Hen house AM Henry worked at Thomas's & Thomas Cut Wheat behind Cider house with his new Binder & our team I brought 100 lbs Binder Twine from Cedar Grove AM @ 10¾ cts per lb I & Mary went to Markham PM W. fine rather warm fine Breeze from N W a nice shower at Bedtime

## **July 1899**

Uncle Saml Reesor Called awhile AM

- 19 J finished Cutting field behind Cider house AM Cut in field east of dam PM I went to Cedar Grove AM W. very fine & Cool I walked to Flavius PM Br inlaw Peter's Called AM
- 20 Boys finished Cutting field east of dam AM J Scuffled the Potatoes that they planted Benj'ns on shares A hoed Hill Corn Henry Mowed fence Corners then they Cut a strip of wheat along

lane in field behind Cider house that was hardly ripe yesterday till supper time Benj'n Stover's Called PM Br inlaw Simon Hoover's were here to supper W. fine & Cool. slight shower at noon

- 21 J fixed some drains at Flavius that were washed out A & Henry mowed some grass along open ditch at Benj'ns AM they drew dung on a heap PM east of young Orchard W. very fine sun warm cool Breeze PM I forgot to say that I took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's yesterday AM
- 22 Henry scuffled Turnips AM A got Horses Chief & Billy shod & J Cut thistles along fences AM they drew some wood & some hay from swale at Benj'ns PM

# **July 1899**

we got 10 Bus Oats from Johnny Reesor's & I took them to Br S's to get Chopped PM Caught fine lot of fish W. fine

Sunday 23 at home Johnny Ramer's Called AM J D's were here to dinner Flavius & Jess Burkholder Called this eveing W. very fine & Cler

- 24 Three Boys helped Benj'ns draw in wheat & Rye with team AM A helped A Jackson Move a building PM J & Henry Mowed a swale in root field J went to see Dr & Called around at Herman's to bring them a doz fish that we bought off Abe Shank he Peddles small Whitefish W. very fine & Cler not very warm Susanna is not quite so well
- 25 Boys drew in wheat out of field behind Cider house with one team A & Benj'n went to Albert Reesor's barn raising on the old Marr Homestead PM Sherman helped J & Henry finish the Wheat except the Amber along the lane. they took in 8 good loads until about 3 PM it began to rain slow & steady rained about an hour I & Mary went to Markham AM she got her new Teeth Price \$15.00 from S Milne. Br N's Called PM

### **July 1899**

- 26 Three boys helped Benj'n Plow & Scrape Creek between the two swamps AM J & Sherman Cut over 10 acre field of barley PM with 2 Binders PM W. very warm Br Ss Called awhile PM & Menno Burkholders this eveing
- 27 Boys Cut & Shocked barley on Knoll about 5 acres drew in wheat east of dam 10 loads PM Benj'n & Sherman helped with team I took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's PM Lydia & her Mother & Harvey Called this eveing A B's Called PM W. Cooler. very fine
- 28 A helped Flavius all day Henry raked Wheat stubble East of dam J Chored & went to Cedar Grove AM Henry went to Roache's raising PM I & J took in big load 50 shocks Amber Wheat then he raked stubble behind Cider house PM W. pretty warm Cler Flavius Called this eving
- 29 Boys drew in raking out of swale in N W field AM they drew dung on barley Knoll between the shock rows PM I went to Markham to Dr AM Susanna is not so well W. fine strong wind PM

# July 1899 Aug

Sunday 30 at home Henry Adeline & Mary went to Meeting at Wideman's U Drudges were here to dinner & Jess Reesor's were here to supper Br S's Lydia & Bertha were here to dinner too Benj'n Called this eveing Dr Called PM W. very fine & Cool

- 31 J Cut Oats South bush AM A & Henry shocked them they are a new Kind Called (Ligowo) they seem to be a very good crop A & Henry drew dung PM J helped Benj'n thresh some Rye Jess Reesor started his Machine then then he set up at Thomas's & threshed some barley J & Henry helped there too W. very fine Br inlaw Peter's & Motherinlaw were here to dinner
- Aug 1 Three Boys & Benj'n & Sherman drew in all our barley with 2 teams 18 loads W. very fine pretty warm. I went to Markham with Mary AM. J cut about an acre of Oats behind barn after supper
- 2 Three boys helped Benj'n draw in all their barley with 2 teams I raked barley stubble awhile PM Br C's Called awhile AM with Bishop A Martin & wife & David Sharer from Clarence N York W. pretty warm fine Breeze

## Aug 1899

slight shower after dinner A Shark was here to dinner he Calls about every week with fish & feeds his horse & gets his dinner thunder shower went around all PM

- 3 Hook on Pump rod broke this morning J took it to Whitevale got it fixed A finished raking barley stubble then he & Henry brought in rakings they hoed turnips PM A took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's this evening W. very warm. Herman called this evening Aunt Lizzy Burkholder & Widow Anne Barkey Called yesterday Thomas's Adeline & her little girl Called awhile today
- 4 Boys Cut & Shocked Oats in field behind barn J helped Flavius thresh PM W. very warm. Showers went around PM Ketura was here all day Br N's wife Called this evening
- 5 Boys Cut & Shocked Oats north of Meeting house J & Thomas dug a grave for a little Child of Albert Hares this moring we also Cut the Thistles & weeds in the grave yard Flavius helped awhile. then I & J Adeline Mary & Anne went to the funeral PM Saml Hoover spoke

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they were here to supper Esther & her little boys were here all PM & to supper she came with her Motherinlaw Flavius Fanny & Children were here awhile before the funeral Benj'ns Called awhile too W. pretty warm fine breeze

Sunday 6 at home A & Henry Adeline & Mary walked to J D's Br inlaw Jesse Hoover was here to dinner & supper W. pretty warm strong wind all day Cool this evening

- 7 had Jess Reesor threshing threshed about 440 Bus Fall Wheat & 600 Barley one load Oats 61 boxes W. fine Sun warm Cool Breeze
- 8 J & Henry helped David Reesor thresh AM Henry helped Albert Reesor PM A cut Mixed Oats & barley below garden & east of Orchard AM J finished it PM & A shocked I took 5 bags nearly 11 Bus Barley to Br S's PM W. Cler. Cool Breeze
- 9 Boys shocked Mixed grain which finishes our Harvest Cutting then they drew in Oats south of Bush 5 loads A raked the stubble & they brought in the rakings I went to Markham AM & brought A Camping Chair for Susanna so she can sit out in the sun or on the veranda

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I gave her a short ride on the Buggy in the lane this morning W. very fine J B's Called awhile PM looks a little like rain this evening

- 10 A & Henry drew dung on Oat Stub{ble} South of bush AM Henry helped Bob Milroy thresh PM A took grist 7 bags to Spink Mills PM Mary went along to see the place J took Butter & Eggs to Lewis's this evening W. a shower last night enough to lay the dust fine & Cool today
- 11 Boys drew some stones to build up the side of the Creek in field east of old Orchard where the water had washed the bank away then they drew in 2 loads of Oats till noon out of field behind barn J helped McCreights thresh PM A & Henry drew in rest of Oats out of that field till evening 6 big loads W. very warm. fine Breeze showers went around
- 12 Boys drew in Oats north of Meeting house 8 big loads I brought home Chop from Br S's this eveing J D's brought Peter Roos & wife & little boy & Mrs Reynolds from Ohio a little while PM

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C Gayman's wife was here while the half yearly Conference lasted. then he came & staid awhile I did not go this time. W. very warm a few claps {of} thunder this morning but no rain

{S}unday 13 all went to Meeting at Hebron except J & A Adeline & Anne A does not feel well Anne has symptoms of Hay fever J got ready then his back ached so he was afraid he could not sit in Meeting remarks by C Gayman sermon on St Mat part of 18 C by C Burkholder (Umfrage) David Shearer from Clarence County NY A Lehman's Enos Nighswanders Danl Ramer & his son Martin & Menno Grove & Fanny Smith were here to dinner Henry Wilson & wife from Markham Village Called PM David Sharer stays all night. Flavius & family Called this eveing W. very fine day

14 Boys drew in Mixed Crop 9 loads A helped Flavis AM J & Henry drew alone till noon I went visiting with Shearer first to Benj'ns then to Elizabeth Stover's then to

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Johnny Reesor's to dinner then took N B's & Aunt Lizzy then to M. Barkeys then to Br C's & left him there to stay all night W. very fine & Cool

- 15 A & Henry Cleaned out Creek at Benj'ns J raked stubble AM Henry helped Benj'ns thresh & A took 2 Tamarac logs (that we got off A Jackson) to W Milnes & got them sawed into stuff to fix Horse Power J finished raking stubble north of Meeting House & East of Orchard then took one of Waggon Wheels to B S S to get Ti{n}e set PM then he & A brought in rakings W. very fine & Cool
- 16 A went to help Herman to draw in grain Henry helped Benj'n thresh AM & draw in grain PM J Chored I have lame back yesterday PM & today A B's Lizey & Elisabeth Stover Called PM J hitched mare Bonnie to Buggy this Morning & took Susanna & Nancy down the lane & west about 20 rods & back again she stood it pretty well W. pretty warm Esther Called with Russell & he staid

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