

Benjamin Reesor (1836-1917)
1866-1870 Diary
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April 1866

Sunday ~~March~~ April 8 went to Meeting at Hebron. {illegible} by Rev H Barkey Sermon on {space he left blank space to fill in later } by Br C Visitors after diner inc Br inlaw A B & family W {W = shortform for weather} clear

9 Drew out limbs & I went to mill after supper W clear

10 I helped J D split rails W & RW chopped wood W clear roads getting dry

11 Helped to chop AM Went to F Mans try for plaster did not get any PM W. warm clear

12 Went to Dr Mc with Nancy she has some sore throat AM Finlaws & J H Rs {Ramer's} wife & family were here PM W. very warm clear roads dry

13 Took in potatoes well saved. ground frozen about 3 feet this winter. Drew a load of slabs for RW after supper W. fine showers last night fine today.

14 Drew home 5 loads of chips for us and 1 for my mother. Drew in 2 logs at SM and went to Bss {Bss = blacksmith shop} after supper. W. Fine clear

Sunday 15 at home Br N's and Flavius & wife were here W. clear

16 Drew dung into garden & chored W. began to plow in Old Meadow. W. fine clear.

{17} Went to Markham for new cooking stove @\$21 {cleaned} seed barley after we got home W warm clear

{18} plowed. I plowed in sod AM behind barn PM Went to J. Clark's after supper W. warm clear never saw ground in better order at this time of year roads like plank. it has been a very dry winter.

19 Plowed Am Went fishing to Br. S's JWM. Isaac Br. S. Davis his man and W Clod. Caught 260 suckers PM PM, Water warm. Splendid sport. W. clear.

20 Plowed W very warm fine shower this evening

21 W finished plowing sod this morning then helped me finish behind barn except fall plowed Which I intend to cultivate W. fine clear

Sunday 22 Started to go to Br. S's not at home then went to Br N's W fine Clear Cooler

23 Started at 3 O'clock AM to fish with RW and JD at Br. S's Too many fishermen, turned back. Sowed barley in field {illegible} below garden. W. strong east wind Commenced to rain at 3 PM didn't get done cultivating

April May 1866

April 24 Oiled harness AM drew some turnips for RW from WMs & brought plow from B s s
PM W. a few inches of snow last night cold blustery today

25 Split some rails AM Sawed & Split Cedar posts on hill on townline PM W. cool clear

26 Plowed in field east of dam for barley W Cool wind

27 I finished Cultivating barley that I sowed on Monday then helped W to plow went to SM
after supper W. fine Clear

28 Sowed peas on Sod AM I went to Markham PM W Warm, high Cold wind this evening.
John Purdy died of inflammation on the lungs this Morning

Sunday 29 Went to meeting at Cedar Grove Remarks by Br.C. Sermon on St. Luke 18C 1st
to 15th N {or V for verses} went to Br S's after Service then I went with him to take Coffin to
Purdy's. W. windy clear cool

30 Sowed some Peas behind barn & went to J Purdy's funeral W. Cool windy clear

May 1 finished cultivating in peas W. Cool {clear} {page torn}

2 finished sowing & harrowing peas behind barn & I commenced to roll barley W. Cool

43 rolled barley & Commenced peas W. Cool wind

54 Finished rolling & helped W finish plowing for barley PM W. Cool Clear

65 Sowed field east of dam with barley W fine clear

Sunday 76 went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Rd H Barkey Sermon on {blank space} by
R O [Wideman?] Visiting Br inlaw D. Sikmare & wife H Barkey & D {or S} Hoovers from
Altona were here to tea W. fine clear

87 Plowed for barley in field back of garden W. clear warm

8 Sowed barley & I went to Major Mills PM W Clear AM Cloudy PM WM plowed in Corner
field for Oats

9 both Plowed sowed grass seed on barley field this PM fine shower last night evening W.
clear

Ascension day 10 Went to QB & then to CB's nobody at home W. fine warm clear

11 I rolled barley W plowed W. warm Clear

12 both plowed W. warm clear windy

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Sunday May 13 1866 Went to CB's W. rainy AM Cloudy Cool PM

14 both plowed W warm clear

15 both plowed W warm Clear

16 Sowed 20 bus oats Isaac helped to harrow PM W clear

17 Finished Sowing & harrowing Oats which finishes our seeding. W Clear ground in very fine condition

18 I plowed RW's garden W warm clear

19 Planted about 4 bus potatoes below garden W warm clear

Whitsunday 20 Went to meeting at Wideman's, Sacrement day Revd's T Moyer Jas. Hagey & John Sapp were present. Went to Uncle Joe's after service. W. warm cool {or clear?} a little rain tonight.

Whit Monday 21 Went to meeting at Hebron Sacrement day Rvd T Moyer & J. Sapp present W. Clear pretty cool

22 Went to Br inlaw S Lehman's my Mother went with us as far as JB's she intends to visit with her friends awhile W. very windy Cold

23 planted shares potatoes for RW W. Cold clear

24 Plowed in turnip ground AM Washed sheep PM W. clear

25 I rolled Oats W finished plowing & harrowing turnip ground W warm clear

26 planted Corn & helped RW plant his he had rented 1/2 an acre from me for Corn & turnip. AM W finished rolling oats & Corn potatoes & turnip ground & I planted pop corn & {came?} PM W. fine clear

Sunday 27 at home Went to Br C's a while PM then DB brought my Mother home. W. fine rain nearly all day.

{2}8 Went to JD's with my Mother W got horses shod AM Commenced plowing fallow awhile PM W. rain AM cloudy PM

{29} Plowed AM W split Cordwood & I helped Robert {page folded} clip sheep PM W. Clear AM. Showery PM

{30} Went fishing to little rouge with JB & his man started at {folded} this morning got 3 suckers plenty of fishers {folded} few mullets. didn't do much today W. showery

May 31 {folded} white beans. put lines on corn patch & chored AM

{folded} ...ine scantling {or scantily?} for myself & some lumber for RW {folded} ...dging for ovenwood PM W. Clear warm

June 1 Drew Chips W. warm Clear Sold fat sheep at \$4.50

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2 Drew 1 load chips for us & 2 for RW AM went to BS for new wooden plow PM W fine warm clear Rumoured Fenian Invasion from American side to on Fort Erie on Canadian side yesterday. Great Excitement

Sunday 3 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Br. C Sermon on St. Mat. 24 C by Rvd H Barkey Went to Br inlaw AB's this PM W fine Clear. Rumours of a fight between the Fenians & the Canadian Volunteers

4 Done nothing AM W washed light buggy harness Uncle D Burkholder's were here at dinner. Fixed bars at Scarboro pasture & chored PM W oiled harness PM W. rained AM Cloudy PM Confirmed news of the fight at Fort Erie the Queen's Own ridgement 400 strong fought & partly defeated the whole Fenian force from 1000 to 1500 strong.

5 Chored AM Drew 2 loads Edgings & Caught a few suckers PM W. rain AM cloudy PM

6 Went to M Neighswander's to Claremont to the Tailor & Oat Mill & then to Simon Hoover's to Supper W. Clear a little drizzly tonight

7 Went to Br S's AM & Took my Mother to Br. N's AM Helped RW build a milk house PM W. fine clear

8 Went to Funeral of Mrs Hutchinson at Lawson's AM Helped WM draw softwood out of Markham fallow PM W. fine warm clear

9 Helped RW stump in fallow Took 16 bus chop to Cedar Grove Mills After supper. W warm clear

Sunday 10 at home Br. N & CB's were here W. Clear

11 Went to Finlaw's {father-in-law's} W. fine clear warm Fenians all quiet Patrol of Home Guards every night in Markham Village

12 Went to Cedar Grove Mills for Chop & helped RW dig stumps in fallow AM killed a calf for RW's harrowed potatoes PM W. fine Clear

13 Went to AB's this morning & then helped W in fallow W. very warm, sultry, fine shower thunder last night

14 both plowed finished fallow W. warm fine clear

15 Worked on road in Scarboro. W. fine warm clear

16 Finished Scarboro Road work AM W pulled Weeds chored I {folded} to Cedar Grove PM W. fine Clear AM Thunder Showers PM

Sunday 17 Went to CB's W cloudy AM Showery PM raine last {folded}

18 Went to J. Bear's {possibly Beare's} for 2 pigs @ \$1.00 each. AM sawed some oak wood PM W. Cloudy rainy all day very {gorge?} weather

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19 Went to T Woods with my Mother AM I & Nancy went to see her Grandfather's & {!} went to Markham PM W. Cloudy AM Clear warm PM growing weather some barley lodged already

20 Pulled Weeds in Wheat Isaac helped PM W. went fishing for Mulletts PM Caught 60 or 15 for his share hundreds are being caught W. warm clear

21 Plowed in turnip ground W. warm

22 Worked on Road in Markham W warm clear

23 Finished road work AM Finished plowing turnip ground PM W. very warm clear growing

Sunday 24 Went to meeting at Cedar Grove. Remarks by Br.C. Sermon on St. Mat. 22 C by Rvd H. Barkey J D's were here PM W very warm clear

25 W harrowed turnip ground then we both drilled Finlaws {father-in-law's} were here PM W very warm. Warmest this season

26 Sowed turnips W. Clear. Warm. Shower at noon & one this evening. heavy thunder round north.

27 Went to Cedar Grove with Nancy AM Chored & plowed a few potatoes & fixed fence PM W fine shower this morning clear later

28 Went to Frys for Celery plants & finished plowing potatoes AM planted Celery & hoed pop corn & sowed Orchard with Buckwheat PM Went hook fishing to big rouge with RW & J Davis this Evening Caught a few Catfish W Cool

29 Killed a calf took skin to C Raymers & some veal to AB's AM hoed Corn & burned roots in fallow PM W. clear

30 W drew stone of fallow I didn't do much JB was here awhile & G Brillinger & wife were here W. fine Clear Cool

Sunday July 1 Went to Meeting at Hebron Remarks by Br. C Sermon on {blank space} Rev J Widman Went to JDs PM W. fine warm clear

2 Went to David Burkholder's on a visit W. Clear

3 Harrowed fallow I went to BS's after supper W. warm

4 Chored AM Fixed road at dam & cut thistles in Oats PM W rained AM Clear PM Thunder Shower this evening

5 I went to Major Mills with 8 Chop & 4 bus wheat AM Plowed a few potatoes PM W clear AM rained awhile PM

6 Drew dung I plowed potatoes & Corn helped to draw dung with Cart after Supper W warmest this Summer

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7 Drew dung W as warm as yesterday I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove yes tonight

Sunday 8 Went to Br. S's PM W rained AM Clear PM Cooler

9 I & RW finished drawing dung except some in sheds, behind barn in heap W. fine clear RW Commenced work today 2 months at \$18.00 per month

10 I & Nancy went to JB's to visit & got some oats W. clear

11 G & RW helped Br C hoe turnips AM topped thistles in Oats PM W. Plowed in fallow W fine warm

July 12th 1866 Chored & hoed corn AM Took horse to BS PM Went rouge hill for RW's sister inlaw - Mrs Purvis & daughter this evening W. Clear Very warm

13 I & RW finished hoeing corn & Mowed thistles in Oats AM I & W helped Br C hoe turnips PM W very warm looks like rain this evening

14 Went to Major Mills & to Porter's Store with Nancy AM RW & W Mowed I helped PM W. Cooler

Sunday 15 I & Nancy JD & wife went to Meeting at Altona to J Widemans after Service remarks & sermon on St Mark {8?} C 1st to 9th V Called at Finlaws for Supper W. very very warm

16 W. plowed AM RW Mowed all day I turned hay AM I raked & W Cocked PM W. as warm as yesterday

17 I scuffed some turnips & W hoed some & turned hay AM raked & cocked after dinner awhile W. very very hot & sultry AM heavy thunder storm & rain PM air cool & pleasant tonight

18 Chored made Levi a waggon R mowed at spells finished old meadow W. rainy until supper cool pleasant

19 Chored AM helped W plow in fallow PM W. clear

20 Turned hay cocks AM Drew in 5 loads PM & I cut some thistles in peas W. fine Cool Clear

21 Cut Thistles awhile this morning then I & R hoed turnips W plowed AM raked a little hay until it rained then we all hoed turnips PM I went to Cedar Grove this evening W. Cloudy & Clear AM shower after dinner & another this evening

Sunday 22 I my Mother & Levi went to meeting at Cedar Grove remarks by Br. C Sermon {blank} by Rev H. Barkey Br. N's family Flavius & wife were here for supper W. Clear until supper heavy thunder shower this evening

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23 I & RW helped JD to mow W fine Clear W cut thistles & turned hay very heavy rain north yesterday little rouge higher than it has been in sixteen years very high last Wednesday

24 I scuffled turnips & turned some hay AM I & W Drew in 3 loads & raked & Coked in Orchard PM R helped Br N Draw in PM W fine clear

25 I & Nancy went to Markham AM hoed turnips & raked & hay in swale back of garden PM W fine Clear. mild.

26 Cut barley for Br C with reaper W. warm clear

27 I & W Drew in 3 loads of hay out of Orchard & Swale & cut road round part of wheat field & I went to Br N's after supper W fine warm clear

28 Cut 4 or 5 Acres of fall wheat with reaper Br. N Drove W. fine warm clear

Sunday 29 Went to Meeting at Hebron. remarks by Br C Sermon on St. Mat 18C 1st to 12 V by Rev J Barkey Visitors after Service Br S & family & old D {or S?} Nighswander. Menno Burkholder & wife & A Burkholder & family were here for supper W. warm

30 Finished Cutting fall wheat Br C & boy helped W. fair cool clear

31 Cradled road round big barley field & cut below garden. very badly lodged & {heavy?} AM I & Br C cut in big field with reaper PM W. Clear fine Cuts very well three ways R & W mowed below garden.

August 1 I went to BS's with Dick {horse} shop full Went again PM got him Shod W. & R hoed turnips AM & R cut roads in big barley field PM W. rainy this morning Clear PM

2 Cut barley AM Pm C. drove. had to quit at noon Cracked down too much. Cut with Cradles PM W. Cool

3 I & W Drew in 2 loads wheat & 2 loads barley Commenced to rain about 3 PM raining yet 9 PM R nearly finished cutting big barley field

4 Chored in barn & hoed turnips R finished big barley field I went to Cedar Grove after supper W. rainy AM Clear PM Atlantic Cable Successfully laid

5 Went to Meeting at Widemans Remarks by Br C Sermon on St Mark 13C by Rev H Barkey Went to JH Ramers after Service W fine Cool Clear

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6 I & W Drew in 7 loads barley R Cut a little barley in turnip field & then pulled sod peas while we loaded & then helped to unload W. windy cool clear

7 Drew in 4 loads barley out of little field which finished it AM drew 4 loads out of big field PM W Clear

8 Drew in 6 loads barley W. Commenced to rain slowly at 6 PM RW helped JD PM

9 Helped CB kill a calf & hoed turnips AM Cut 3 acres of wheat for Br C with reaper PM W Clear

10 Drew in 7 loads barley it is a very heavy crop this year we draw it all loose W. fine clear

11 Drew in 6 loads barley I went to BS's this morning W. cool

Sunday 12 Went to J Cober's they were not at home came home again W. Cloudy rainy this evening

13 Chored AM Went to Major Mills PM W Cloudy rainy. Heavy rain last night

14 Went to W. Burkholder's to engage Machine & set up Wheat shocks AM Went to BS's & finished setting up shocks PM W. Cloudy barley in stooks beginning to grow some wheat growing too

15 Chored & turned some barley AM turned barley & some peas I went to Br S's PM I & Br. C mended {a?} barn roof after supper R finished cutting barley W. Cool wind, drying day

16 Drew in 18 loads barley with 2 teams Br. C Br. N and C Stover helped W. fine clear

17 Drew in 4 loads barley which finished it. & drew 17 loads wheat Br. S & Isaac helped W fine clear

18 I & RW Finished drawing in Wheat 2 loads & 4 loads of peas out of sod raked & cocked swale & fence corners in big barley field W. helped CB to thresh with team W. Cloudy looks like rain

Sunday 19 at home. AB & family were here & JD's for supper W. Cloudy. a little rainy

20 Chored helped Br. C cut oats with reaper RW helped D Hoover to thresh W. fine Clear

21 I & My Mother Went to Uncle D Burkholders this morning. He was very sick but is better. Went to Uncle Joe's for dinner. Called at JB's nobody at home. Came home & I & RW drew in 4 loads Peas W. Clear, a few drops of rain

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August 22 Chored AM I took 3 bus wheat to Major Mills PM & Drew in 3 loads sod peas after supper which finishes them W shower last night Clear today

23 Pulled peas I & W drew in 3 loads barley rakings & 1 load hay PM W. Cool a slight squall PM

24 I & RW helped Br. N at threshing W was at Br. C's We all helped Br. C thresh after supper W. quite cool

25 I did not do much cut road round oats AM went to Whitevale PM bought a rifle of P Hoover for \$16.00 one he got from P Diller R & W. helped Br. C thresh I did not feel well W. very cool for the season of the year

Sunday 26 Went to Meeting at Hebron Remarks by Br C Sermon on St Luke 14 C by Rev H Barkey. Br inlaw Simon Hoover's and D. {or S} Lehman's were here at supper W clear

27 Had threshing machine threshed 240 bus barley & 78 bus Wheat broke down near night W. Clear

28 Finished threshing this morning 25 bus Wheat. Drew in a small load of hay AM Cut Oats
PM Br.N drove R & W drew in 6 loads of peas W. Clear

29 I cut oats alone with reaper W. fine clear had a small binding bee tonight

30 Helped Br S at threshing & shocked oats W. cloudy a little rain

31 Chored AM R & W pulled peas I cut oats with reaper & boys bound PM W. Cloudy AM
Clear PM

September 1 bound Oats AM Br. N helped. shocked up PM R & W pulled a few peas and
bound a few Oats after supper & I went to Cedar Grove W. fine AM, Shower at noon

Sunday 2 We all went to JD's. W. warm clear

3 bound Oats Br. N helped AM W. fine warm

4 bound Oats Br. N helped AM I tried to burn brush in Markham fallow PM did not go well W.
fine clear

5 I & W Cleaned a grist AM R pulled a few peas I went to BS to get Tom shod did not get it
done then we all shocked Oats I & W turned peas after supper W. rainy AM Clear PM

6 finished cutting lodged spots of Oats & drew in 17 loads of Peas JD & Isaac helped W. fine
clear

7 Drew in 6 loads Oats until 10 AM then it rained all day JD Br. C & Isaac helped

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8 I & Nancy Went to J {or T?} Halls AM I & RW pulled peas PM Went shooting with JB awhile
PM. W. helped W Lapp thresh yesterday forenoon and today W. wet AM Clear PM

Sunday 9 Went to Br. N's W. fine Clear Br. N's were here at supper

10 I went to BS AM Drew in 9 {or 7?} loads of peas PM W. fine clear

11 Drew in 8 loads Oats with 2 teams AM Br. N & Isaac helped Chored PM W. Cloudy misty
AM heavy rain PM

12 I R & W. finished pulling peas AM W. drew some wood PM I chored. W. Cloudy AM. Clear
PM very very heavy rain after supper

13 Went to B'S & brought Copper Kettle from Br.S's AM killed pig & turned peas & went to
JD's after supper W. drew wood AM Commenced to ridge up PM W. fine clear

14 Drew in 7 loads peas W. Clear rain at supper

15 drew in 13 loads of oats & 2 loads of peas which finished our harvest at last. CB & his
man helped PM with team W. fine clear

Sunday 16 Went to Meeting at Widemans Services Conducted by Revd T Moyer of Clinton Revd George Rupp of Cumberland County & --- Moyer of Lancaster County P.A. US. this was Sacrament day Went to Finlaws W. rainy Cool

17 Went to B'S AM Shot 5 squirrels PM W. ridged up PM W. fine clear pretty wet plowing

18 both ridged up W. cloudy all day

19 both ridged up. Subscribed 2 shares \$20 in a proposed Joint Stock Company to be erected at Cedar Grove for the Manufacture of Cheese W. cloudy a little drizzly AM Clear PM

20 both plowed until about 10 OC AM when it commenced to rain. rainy all day I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM

21 Chored AM W plowed in little field below Orchard PM & I brought 12 bus seed wheat from Br. N's PM W. rainy cloudy AM fair PM cool

22 I chored AM W plowed below Orchard both finished ridging up PM W. Clear Cool I & W (illegible) Father inlaws boys went coon hunting tonight killed two coons & tried a few more at J. Diller's

Sunday 23 went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Br C Sermon on St John 5C {blank space} by Revd H Barkey Visitors after service Michael Frets & family Br. S's family at supper W. fine clear

24 Sowed & harrowed 6 or 7 acres fall wheat W. clear a little rain tonight

Sept Oct 1866

25 Chored AM W threshed a few peas Cleaned some peas and a load of barley PM W rained all day, very wet Went to Cedar Grove tonight there was to be a Cheese Meeting very few there. Postponed until Monday night next

26 Took 37 bus 32 lbs barley to F Man's bay {likely Frenchmans Bay} @ .59 cts per bus {59cts} W fine clear

27 Took 37 bus barley to do do {ditto, Frenchmans Bay} @ 60 ct. per bus. W. clear this is my 30th Birthday. W fine clear the roads have been very bad for the season of the year

28 Took 36 bus 28lbs barley do do @ 62cts per bu W. clear

29 Took 36 bus 7 lbs do do @ 64 cts. per bus W fine

30 at home all day took dinner at Mother's CBs were here at Supper JD & family too W. fine clear

Oct 1 Took 39 bus 18lbs barley do @ 64 cts W. clear fine roads good. Went to Cheese Meeting at Cedar Grove tonight appointed five directors to conduct the business Vise Joseph Lapp James {Tran?} Simeon Reesor John Milroy and TW Renny

2 Sowed little field below Orchard with rye & went to W. Burkoholer's to engage threshing Machine AM Chored PM Samuel Hare & Mrs. Goode from Ohio were here a while PM & Father inlaw's for dinner W. fine clear

3 Went to Mr. Phillip's near Brougham to see Machine AM Drew dung PM Mrs Good & Mr Hare {are} here tonight W. Cool, fine. Clear

4 Went to Duffins Creek for Dr Tucker for R Wallace's wife AM Brought home new roller from Pilkeys PM W. Cool clear roads good W. went to Markham Fair

5 Both drew dung on Oats Stubble. W. Cool Clear

6 Drew a load of lumber to bay for Br. S he had a bee W. clear

Sunday 7 Went to Br in law AB's W. fine clear

8 Dug a few potatoes below garden about 9-10ths rotten I took 18 bus chop to Cedar Grove Mills AM brought it home PM W. fine Clear

9 drew dung W. Close Cloudy, heavy thunder shower this evening

10 Cleaned some peas & Oats & spread dung AM W commenced to plow down dung on Oat stubble PM I chored W. Cloudy

11 I & my Mother went to Markham gathered our Grapes when we came home W. rather Cloudy Mild

12 Both plowed W. fine Clear

13 I helped Br inlaw AB thresh with team W. plowed AM W. fine clear

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Sunday 14 at home AM we all went to CB's PM W. fine clear

15 Went to BSS AM Drew shingle bolts to Pilkeys & a load of slabs to RW's PM W. finished plowing down dung AM & {or I} went to J Clark's raising PM W. fine clear

16 I chored & cleaned grist AM Took it to Major Mills PM W. helped RW dig potatoes W. fine clear

17 I went to BSs AM fixed old barn ready for Machine PM W. plowed in wheat stubble PM W. fine clear beautiful

18 Had threshing machine. threshed 278 bus barley. Most of it badly sprouted W. fine clear

19 Had machine. threshed 93 bus Wheat & 200 bus Oats W. clear

20 Both helped JD at threshing W. rainy this morning. Clear PM

Sunday 21 Went to meeting at Hebron remarks by Br C sermon on St Luke 5 C {blank space} by Revd H Barkey John Reesor & wife were here after service Christ. Ramer & wife for supper. W. Cloudy mild.

22 Helped JD finish threshing W. Cloudy very high wind

23 Picked Apples Made some cider PM W. Cool Clear

24 Thanksgiving day. shot some squirrels W. Cool clear

25 Boiled Sauce. & JB Picked Apples & Made Water Cider W. Clear

26 Chored W. about 2 in Snow last night rainy all day snow all away

27 Picked apples & went shooting with JB W. cloudy, cool

Sunday 28 at (illegible) home all day W. rough, rainy Squally

29 Cleaned Peas tailings, & some wheat, W. rained all day

30 Killed pig AM Took Dr. Justice home to Unionville PM he has been to see R Wallace's wife W. Cloudy roads bad

31 Bought 4 year Old Mare off Br. C at \$120.00 & Plowed with her until noon. Heard that R Wallace's wife died at noon. went down and staid awhile then Took 15 bus apples to Pilkeys, & took the Measure to BrS for Coffin W. Cold squalls. a little snow

Nov 1 West to RW's cut some fire wood for {him?} then went to W Morrison's to get him to help to dig Mrs Wallaces grave Then I Wm Cephas & Simeon Stover dug the grave PM W. Cold wind Cloudy

2 Went to Funeral of R Wallace's wife at Zion Church 11th Con. Markham. Sermon by Rvd Fletcher on Rev 7C 9th V Picked some apples after service W. Cold wind, cloudy

3 Took Grist for RW & 15 bus 45 lbs Midge proof Wheat to Major Mills @ \$1.35 per bus W. Cold Windy. RW commenced pulling turnips.

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Sunday Nov 4 Went to Br. S's W. Cold Cloudy frose last night.

5 I & W underbrushed AM Drew in Some Corn & W went to Major Mills for RW's grist PM W. Cold hard frost last night

6 Drew in some Corn & beans & picked Apples for Cider RW pulled some turnips W. frost last night

7 Made Cider. W. mild warm R & W pulled some turnips PM.

8 Took 100 gallons cider to T Hulls @ 10 cts per gallon AM Cleaned some barley PM W. fine clear

9 Took 37{bus}. 33 lbs barley to F. Mans bay {Frenchmans Bay} @ 45 cts per bus W. clear

10 I drew in 7 loads turnips W. plowed for {@ illegible numbers} {or CB?} R pulled turnips W. fine warm clear

Sunday 11 Went to Meeting at Cedar Grove Sermon on St John 1st C by Br. C Went to Uncle Sam's after Service W. rain last night cool windy.

12 I & W drew in 14 loads turnips W. fine clear

13 Drew in 17 loads turnips W. fine clear

14 Drew in 15 loads turnips I went to O Brands with JD AM to help him bring a cow that he bought at his sale yesterday W. East wind looks a little like rain sprinkling rainy

15 Chored Drew some wood for RW. PM W rainy all day

16 I & RW Picked Cider Apples & ground some W. rainy & soft snow all day

17 Made Cider I went to Cedar Grove Mills with chop & drew some wood & RW pulled turnips PM W. Cloudy cool

Sunday 18 Went to Meeting at Hebron Remarks by Br C Sermon on St Mat 20C 1 to 16 V by Rev H Barkey Visitors after service F inlaws Br inlaws AB's & Miss Matty Shank. W fine clear

19 I made some Cider AM Chored PM W. Cloudy AM rain warm

20 Went to Cedar Grove Mills AM helped RW Clean the mouth of drains & R pulled a few turnips PM W. rainy AM drizzly PM

21 Drew turnips into pits on the ground very wet & muddy. Isaac helped & RW. we drew with 2 teams WM has left W. Cold freeing looks like Clearing up

22 Drew a few loads of turnips then covered 3 pits Drew 2 loads & Br C 1 for RW this evening out of our field W. Cold Snowed a few inches looks like winter

23 Isaac Drew wood AM Drew turnips into pits PM & drew 2 loads for RW CB & Br C drew a load apiece W. Cold Clear snow thawed some

24 Finished drawing turnips AM Isaac plowed PM & I & RW Covered turnip pit & cleaned a few Peas W. Cold

Nov Dec 1866

Sunday 25 I went to Meeting at J Cober's AM Br N's were here when I came home W. Warmer, Snow thawing some

26 I went to Cedar Grove & to WM's AM plowed awhile PM Isaac plowed All day W. warm clear thawing

27 Took a load of Shingle timber to Pilkeys AM both plowed PM W. Mild, Cloudy & Clear AM

28 Made Pumpkin Cider for RW. W. rained nearly all day

29 Went to JD's AM. Cleaned grist PM. W. Cloudy a little rain

30 Took a grist 12 bus to Major Mills W. Cold blustery

Decr 1 look in Potatoes pits. pretty good. W. froze hard last night.

Sunday 2 Went to Br. C's W. fine. Cold, Clear

3 Took a load of Shingle timber to Pilkeys AM helped Isaac plow PM W. Clear froze last night

4 Went to Br.C's to kill hogs done nothing. rained all day

5 Went to My Mothers feast Turkeys & geese whole family & CB's and Flavius' were here JB's did not Come I helped W Morrison make some Cider AM Went shooting with Br. N. JD. Flavius & Isaac PM Took load of shingle timber to Pilkeys this evening W. fine clear beautiful

6 I & Nancy & Adeline helped Br. inlaw A B's to kill hogs W. Mild. some drizzly rain. dark coming home heard this evening that JG Reesor's wife, former widow of CG Reesor, died last night

7 Helped Br C kill hogs W beautiful. fine. Clear, like October

8 Chored AM Went to Cedar Grove PM W very heavy rain AM high water. heavy wind. Clear PM

Sunday 9 at home all day. Nancy walked to Cedar Grove Meeting W. Clear Cold froze last night this is Nancy's 27th birthday

10 Helped RW. kill a pig AM chored PM W. very cold strong west wind

11 Killed six pigs Br S. J.D. & AB's [helper?] W. fine

12 Helped Br S's kill pigs W. pretty Cold. roads awful

13 (illegible) & Nancy helped CB's kill pigs W. pretty cold

14 Chored & drew home some wood W Cold roads very rough

15 Drew 2 loads of Shingle bolts to Pilkeys W. Cold Clear

Sunday 16 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Br C Sermon on St Mat 15 C 21 V to end of Chap. W. Commenced to storm & snow from East at 8 am stormy all day snowing tonight

17 Chored took a load of straw for RW. W. mild clear

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Dec 18 helped JD kill hogs W. Mild {Big L shape} a little sleighing

19 Drew 2 loads shingle timber to Pilkeys, W snowed some

20 I & Nancy went to Markham Village with cutter roads heavy W. last night Coldest this season Cold today

21 Drew some bolts onto road AM drew 1 load to Pilkeys & some wood home PM W. Milder Clear

22 Went to JD's & Chored AM drew wood for RW PM W. mild

23 At home. I & Nancy Went to RW's awhile AM CB's were here when we Came home W. Soft Cloudy rain last night

24 Cleaned Peas AM Took a load of shingle timber to Pilkeys with waggon PM roads muddy snow this evening

Christmas day 25 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks & Sermon on St Luke 2 C1 to 20 V by Br C JD and family were here after Service. I went to Br S's after supper. W. cold {or mild?} a little sleighing {or snow?}

26 Went to Br inlaw S Hoover W. mild pretty fair wheeling snow tonight

27 Drew a load of Bolts AM Helped Flavius Reesor get on a load of Straw & I & RW Cleaned a little barley PM W. fine AM high wind PM

28 Helped WM kill Hogs. W. Very high wind {illegible} drifting cold

29 Helped JD kill a beef AM took some barley to Br S's & went to Cedar Grove PM W. windy AM {cool?} PM pretty cold

Sunday 30 at home. D. Hoover's were here W. mild

31 Went to Markham AM S Lehman's were here PM I took a load of bolts to Pilkeys this evening W. Mild

January 1. 1867 Went to JB's were not at home there went to S. Lehmans. W pretty cold sleighing. poorly

2 Helped F Reesor saw shingle timber AM helped Br C kill a beef PM W. pretty Cold, clear

4 Cleaned barley W. pretty Cold

5 Finished cleaning barley AM drew a load of bolts PM W. Mild cloudy

6 Sunday 6 Went to Meeting at Cedar Grove remarks by Br C Sermon on St Luke 2nd C by Rev H Barkey Went to F Reesor's after service W. mild cloudy

7 Went to JB. & to Municipal Election at Mongolia (late California) Voted for HP Crosby for Reeve WM Button & J Robinson for Deputy Reeves & W Eakin & P Wilmot for Councillors W. Mild Clear Sleighing not very good

8 Helped CB kill Beef & hog W. pretty Cold Clear

9 Went to School Meeting in Scarboro AM in Markham PM W mild.

10 Went to Finlaw's W. Some snow, sleighing pretty fair. W. mild

11 Killed pig & beef W. Mild a little snow PM

12 drew wood for RW AM. I & RW cut some Lim {limb} wood PM W. Cold

Jan Feb 1867

Sunday 13 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Rd H Barkey sermon on {blank space} by Br. C Visitors after service Br inlaw M. Neighswander & family W. stormy this morning pretty Cold today

14 took straw for RW AM drew shingle timber PM

15 drew 3 shingle logs W. very Cold froze my toe

16 drew 2 do do & 1 sawlog W. Milder Flavius here tonight RW. helped thresh at Hoover's for me yesterday & Isaac today

17 Went to Michael Frets & I got mare shod in village W. stormy snow

18 drew 2 shingle logs W. very Cold Sleighing good

19 Drew some wood & brought home some shavings from Pilkey's W. very Cold, Clear

Sunday 20 Went to Meeting at Widemans Remarks by Br C Sermon on St John 3rd C by Re H Barkey went to J Stover's after Service. W. Milder .AM strong East wind coming home. very unpleasant

21 Shoveled snow AM Went for Dr. Mc PM Flavius is sick Dr says he has Croup & Diptheria W. snowy about 15 inches fell last night Roads heavy

22 chored Dr was here this evening baby is better W. cooler

23 Chored. F inlaw's were here. I went to JD's PM JH Ramer & family were here this evening W. mild clear {or cloudy} Daniel Lehman died last night of Cancer on the face

24 I went to funeral of Daniel Lehman with Br C Sermon on 7 C Rev. 13 V to end of chap. in German by Rev H Barkey. in English by Rd P Cober W. Mild

25 Drew a load of bolts JB & wife were here W mild Commenced to snow from East about 3 PM

26 Chored AM I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM W. mild a little soft

Sunday 27 at home Br S's were here W. mild. windy tonight

28 Helped Br. C thresh W. Mild

29 Helped Br. C thresh AM & awhile PM & drew a load of wood W. Mild

30 Took family to JD's & drew wood brought them home this evening W. pretty cold

31 drew some wood AM Helped Br S kill a beef PM W. mild

February 1 Helped RW Clean Oats AM Chored PM W. Some rain. & heavy thaw last night snow soft

2 Candlemas day Cleaned Oats AM & some peas PM & I went to Cedar Grove Mills this evening W. Mild Cloudy AM Snowstorm from East PM. sleet this evening

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Sunday 3 at home J Stover & wife were here W. mild, snow this evening

4 Went to Cedar Grove Mills this morning & to Meeting house to appoint trustees AM. Simon Hoover & wife were here took some straw for RW. this evening W. mild snow from east tonight

5 Helped CB to thresh W. Mild, a little snowy

6 Took 38.10 lbs peas to duffins Creek Station @ 68 per bus. Went to AB's tonight. were not at home W. Clear

7 Took my Mother to Br. S's this morning. Sorted some turnips in Cellar AM. Commenced to rot took a load of bolts & brought Mother home PM W. fine clear

8 Chored Took Mother & Sissy {or Lissy?} to Br C's AM Split wood at Meeting house & CB sprayed pigs PM Went to AB's PThis evening W. very fine clear

9 Chored. W. Mild Storm of snow from north

Sunday 10 Went to Meeting at Hebron Remarks by Br C Sermon on St Mat 15C 21 V to end of Chapter by Rev H Barkey. W wind from north roads drifted

11 Drew 2 loads bolts W. Cold

12 Drew 1 load bolts & 1 shingle log W. thawing went to JN Raymer's cheese Meeting at Peters Church this evening

13 Went to Br S's to help to thresh Machine did not come until noon rained PM did not thresh

14 I & RW Cleaned 86 1/2 bus peas. W. warm cloudy Rev T Moyer was here awhile this evening

15 Went to Meeting at Widemans Remarks by Rv H Barkey Sermon on {blank space} by Rv T Moyer Went to F inlaws after service W. Cloudy Mild

16 Chored & went to Funeral of R Burrows at Scotch Church on 11th Con W. rainy AM Clear PM

17 Went to Br N's W. Mild. Clear thawing sleighing going

18 Helped to dig grave for Lucy Stover at Hebron & attended funeral Sermon in German by H Barkey & Revd T Moyer & in English by A Ramer W. fine clear

19 Helped Br. S thresh AM Took 12 bus grist to Major Mills PM W. Clear Old Cris Stover & wife {Teamy or Teany?} and {Ulrey?} and Matty Shank were here tonight

20 Drew a Shingle log AM Went to Major Mills PM W Cold

21 Didnt do much got bad cold W. Wind & some snow from East

22 I & Br S took 85 bus peas to Fmans bay @ 65cts per b W. pretty Cold Clear

Feb March 1867

23 Cleaned Wheat for Mother & RW. AM took it to Major Mills PM. W. Cloudy AM heavy squals of snow PM Br inlaw Saml. Hoover & wife were here to stay over night.

Sunday 24 at home JB & wife were here today We all went to CB's tonight W. pretty Cold Clear

25 Went to Br inlaw MN.'s & to Oat Mill at Claremont & Tailor, but he was not at home W. Sharp. Clear

26 Chored & drew wood. AB's were here tonight W clear

27 I & my Mother went to JB's then I & JB went to Stouffville for my watch & a clock for My Mother W. Clear fine

28 Helped Br C draw shingle bolts W. warm Clear sleighing going

March 1 1867 Helped Br C draw bolts am killed a calf PM Went to Br S's this evening W. warm roads going. Some lightning ~~illigible~~ & rain this evening

2 Helped Br N draw sawlogs & went to Duncan's & to AB's in the evening W. very cold windy

Sunday 3 Went to Meeting at Cedar Grove remarks by Br C. Sermon on St John 3 Chap by Rev H Barkey W. very Cold snow from east this PM

4 Didn't do much AM Cleaned some tailings PM Flavius was taken sick yesterday afternoon had fits last night Doctor was here this morning. was bad again this evening J H R & wife were here awhile this evening. Mrs Burkholder was here all night a little snow last night W. clear

5 Went to Cedar Grove Mills AM I & RW. sawed some logs PM W. fine clear

6 Went to Cedar Grove Mills AM I & RW Cut some logs & took him some straw PM W. pretty cold

7 Cleaned Peas. W. Snow from east nearly all day

8 Had small bee to draw Sawlogs. drew 13 & 1 shingle log W. Clear thawing

9 I & Br. S took 77 bus 40 lbs peas to F mans bay @ 66cts per bus W. clear roads going

10 Sunday My Mother & little girls went to meeting at Hebron I & Nancy could not go Flavius was not well yet. visitors Br inlaw John Hoover S Lehman's Rvd Jas Barkey & wife were here awhile W. Mild rained awhile PM

11 Went to Br S's AM drew home 3 cords of wood for my Mother PM W. Cool Clear

12 Helped Flavius Reesor to Move on his farm where Lawson lived My son Levi took sick with croup this evening. sent for Doctor this evening. W. Mild a little snow this morning

March April 1867

March 13. helped Isaac Davis put up his Shanty on CB's Corner he moved it from JD's W. Cool squally Levi a great deal better today

14 I & RW. Cleaned 87 bus Oats W. squally. pretty Cold

15 Cleaned some wheat for Br. N & Chored AM drew in 2 loads turnips out of pit PM W. Cold Clear

16 Went to J B Millers Sale Lot 21 9th Con Markham W. cold east wind snow from East tonight

Sunday 17 at home all day Brinlaw MN's were here W heavy fall of snow last night snowed some today. cold

18 Drew a load of bolts AM 1 sawlog PM got horse shod at Copelands (late Bainbridges) Cedar Grove W cold sleighing good

19 Helped Br. S draw sand W. Cold. clear

20 I & RW drew in Some turnips W. Cold nights, clear

21 Helped Br S's Saw up an Oak tree W. Strong east Cold Wind Commenced to snow from east at 4 PM

22 Shoveled out lane & hitched up Colt & went to Cedar Grove AM {transcribers note: he is driving the colt today because there has been a heavy snow fall. as the colt is just being broken to drive, the heavy snow helps to slow down movement and softens any potential accidents, making it a safer learning environment} Went to Flavius to visit & shoot {or shot} rats PM W heavy snow last night Mild today

23 I & Br C Went to C Stovers AM I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM. W. Mild Clear

Sunday 24 at home F inlaws were here. I started for Dr MC at 5 O'clock this evening CB is sick W. Drizzly Snow & rain nearly all day very soft

25 Chored. got Cold. W. pretty Cold

26 I & Br C went to Finlaws for spring wheat for seed W. Clear sleighing bad

27 I & RW. Cleaned Oats. We all went to JD's awhile PM. W. snowed nearly all day

28 Took RW some Straw AM Took 25 bus. Chop to Cedar Grove Mills PM W. Clear Cold Wind

29 Chored AM I & RW drew in 3 loads of turnips PM W. pretty cold

30 Drew some wood AM I hitched up colt & took a drive to JD's PM. W. thawing Sleighing about done

Sunday 31 At home. got dinner at Mothers JD & family were here AB & family were here at supper W. warm clear thawing

April 1 Chored. Sold Heifer to J Davis @ \$30.00 W rainy all day W. Morrison Junr. Commenced at noon Work @ \$12.00 per Month or 8 months

2 Drew home wood & drew out to pine logs for kindling wood at Br C's bush AM threshed oats with horses PM W Cool {Note did not use threshing machine like usual, so likely used a horse powered treadmill threshing machine or "sweeps" big horse power to drive machine.}

3 threshed Oats AM I drew some wood for RW & went to JD's PM W. Clear

4 threshed Oats W. Cloudy AM rain PM

April 1867

April 5 threshed Oats with horses until 3 PM W. soft snow AM Cloudy PM

6 Made door in colt stable went to B S S & store this evening W. Mild Clear roads bad

Sunday 7 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks & sermon on {blank space} by Br. C W. warm clear

8 Drew in 3 loads of turnips AM Finished threshing Oats 100 sheaves & cleaned some tailings PM. W. rainy

9 Helped to move John Dillers on lot 21 9th Con Markham W. fine Clear. roads, awful. about the hardest days driving I ever done

10 Cleaned tailings & oats AM I & Nancy went to Flavius' after dinner. his Motherinlaw Widow Barkey died suddenly about 11 oc AM. I started PM & went to tell the Friends W. Cloudy mild

11 Was at Finlaws last night. started for home this morning. got home at 10 was back & forth at Flavius PM W. Cold this morning warm today

12 Went to funeral of Widow Barkey at Widemans sermon on Rev 14 C & 13 V by J Macklin & J Wideman remarks by Br. C Went to JH Ramers after Service W. clear

13 Drew in Some turnips AM Finished Cleaning Oats PM W. clear

Sunday 14 at home. Br. C & family were here W. fine Clear

15 Fixed some fence along north lane AM brought home some pine wood PM. W. cloudy drizzly rain. nearly all day heavy this evening

16 Got Dick shod & put in some sawlogs at SM W. ~~clear~~

~~17 Piled lumber & took wooden plow to BSS W. fine Clear~~

17 Chored, didn't feel well W. helped RW chop fallen timber, W. fine clear

18 Piled lumber & took wooden plow to BSS W. fine clear

Good Friday 19 Went to AB's. W. Cloudy AM fine clear PM

20 Drew in a few turnips & Chored AM I & Br. S fixed cellar door PM & I went to BSS for plow W. cloudy showery

21 At home all day. W. fine Clear. Easter Sunday

Easter Monday 22. Went to W Morrison's AM. at home PM JD & family were here. gave Colt a drive in waggon this evening W. Soft snow nearly all day Cold tonight

23 Went to S Lehmans. My mother went as far as JD's & we Called for her going home W. pretty Cold sharp frost last night

24 I & Br. N Commenced to put new rails into tight board fence south of grave yard. Commenced to snow at noon snowed all day brought some potatoes from D Hammonds (JDs) (farm) after supper

April May 1867

25 Went to Br. S's AM Worked at fence PM W. clear

26 Went to Mill with Chop AM I & Br. N worked at fence PM W. Clear, windy PM W. went fishing this morning got 9 for his share

27 Chored & Cleaned seed peas AM I & W. went to Cedar Grove Mills twice PM with Colt W. cold wind

Sunday 28 Went to Funeral of Daniel Shanks Child at Hebron Sermon by R A Reemer on St Mat 18C 1st to 4th V Flavius and Br N's were here at noon and CB's at supper W. cool clear

29 Finished board fence & Drew home some wood W. cloudy

30 Sowed Plaster on new meadow & drew some turnips AM drew 3 loads turnips & then W Commenced to plow behind Cider house & I went to Br S's bought a set of chain trace Harness off him at \$18.00 PM W. Cloudy all day rained after supper

May 1 Chored AM Went to CB's to help him to ring some pigs & went to Cedar Grove Mills after supper W. rain AM cloudy PM

2 I Nancy & Flavius Went to Markham AM Plowed with Colt PM W. Cold squall of snow AM

3 Plowed. I chored PM W. Cold. Froze hard last night

4 Both plowed in field behind barn W. Squall of rain AM. & after supper

Sunday 5 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Rvd Jos Barkey Sermon on ST Mat 18 C by Br. C Brinlaw AB & Br S's were here after Service W. rather cloudy showery

6 Took RW. to Stage Office at Rouge Hill this morning. he is going to the township of Egremont to his sisters' chored & went to BSS. W plowed this Morning & after supper I made a milk stand at end of lane this evening. W. Cloudy rain through middle of the day

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May 7th 1867 Commenced to sell Milk to Cedar Grove Cheese factory @ 10cts per ga plowed behind barn W. Cool clear

8 Sowed about 6 bus peas behind Cider House AM I & Nancy went to raising of AB's driving house PM W. Cool. Windy tonight a little rain

9 I went to BSS AM rolled peas PM brought home Iron plow from BSS after supper W plowed behind barn W. Cool Clear

10 both plowed W. pretty Warm . Clear

11 Sowed field behind barn with barley Isaac helped to harrow he is working for flavius this Summer W. warm Clear

12 Went to J Cobers. W. fine Clear. rather Cool

13 Sowed grasseed on barley until about 9 AM when it commenced to drissle. drissly all day W plowed PM in big field I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove after supper

14 I chored W plowed some in big field W. some drissly

15 Plowed in last years turnip ground W drew in turnips PM RW levelled pits W. Cool. Cloudy, some drissly

16 W drew turnips AM plowed PM I cultivated in big field W Clear pretty warm

17 I plowed W. Cultivated PM W. Cool Clear

18 I rolled barley & sowed 10 1/2 bus peas in big field W Cultivated W. Cool Clear

Sunday 19 Went to Br N's W. fine, Clear, Warm

20 Finished Sowing big field with peas & 4 bus oats in hollow W. fine clear

21 both plowed in last years root field . W strong East wind Commenced to rain at supper, rain heavy

22 Fixed Some fence along Markham bush & I & Nancy went to Whitevale AM G.W. Isaac, & Flavius went fishing to big Rouge PM Caught 37 Suckers PM. W Cloudy rainy

23 Chored AM fixed fence & I went to Cedar Grove Mills PM W. Drissy Cool Cloudy

May June 1867

24 Queens Birthday, fine Clear heavy rain at supper finished plowing last years root field & commenced a little in field near hoovers. G.W. Sim Stover & S Spence Caught 45 sucker's at Br S's tonight

25 Plowed AM. Cut seed potatoes PM W. Clear AM rained PM. ground very wet

Sunday 26 Went to Meeting at Cedar Grove. Remarks by Br C. Sermon on St Luke 15 C 1st to 11th by Rev H Barkey W. fine. Clear. Cool. roads muddy

27 I went fishing with Simon Hoover Martin & Menno Neighswander about 3 oclock this morning to the little rouge Caught 2 suckers. Water too clear for fishing got home about 10 AM Sowed about 3 1/2 bus spring wheat W. Clear

28 Sowed about 12 bus Oats in field back of garden Commenced to rain about 10 AM cloudy drissy all day

29 Went fishing to Big Rouge with JB. JD & his boy A Stover & WM. Caught 139 Suckers W. Clear fine

Ascension day 30 at home. W fine, shower at supper

31 Chored AM, W plowed in Wheat field in Corner Sowed Oats back of garden finished field PM W. fine warm

June 1 Sowed barley for Flavius. A.M. planted Some Corn & potatoes & went to P.O. ~~PM~~ after supper W. warm clear Bush turned green this past week

Sunday 2 Went to Meeting at Hebron. remarks & Sermon on {blank space} by Br. C. JD & family Came about noon W. rained nearly all day. very wet. Uncle C Burkholder has a slight stroke of Palsy this evening

3 Went to BSS & to Cedar Grove Cheese factory AM received pay for Milk from May 7 amounts to \$12.16 cts I & W. drew rails from Scarboro bush to north lane PM W. Clear warm

4 Drew rails AM Sowed 4 bus oats in field at 11th Con Cleaned wheat after supper. Finished our seeding at last W. clear

5 Took 10 bus Wheat grist to Major Mills. Nancy went with me AM. Helped women wash Meeting house PM. W. fine warm clear Uncle Dan's were here PM

June 1867 1867 {year appears twice}

June 6 Went to Markham with Br. C AM. Marked out Post holes for RW to dig along Scarboro townline West of lane PM. sowed some t{rees?} after supper below garden W. very warm. Clear

7 Sowed barley for Flavius AM Uncle John Burkholder was here PM planted some Corn & potatoes below garden after Supper W. very warm

8 Overhauled fence on north end of farm from Pickering townline to 11 Con put in mostly new rails 8 rails high Flavius and RW helped Meeting at 8 Con today W. fine clear

9 Went to meeting at Widemans Revd's T Moyer & J Hager officiated to nominate Candidates for a Bishop & Deacon. All our Ministers were nominated Vise Br. Christian H & Jos Barkey & Jac. {or Jno} Wideman for Bishop & Jacob Grove A {or CL? -- see who was chosen below} Hoover C Wideman David Raymer J Koch Abraham Barkey & Uncle Sam Reesor for Deacon Went to Br inlaws Isaac {or Saml?} Hoovers at Father inlaws they are living in part of the house. Lords supper was Celebrated today. W. fine clear

10 Meeting & Sacrament at Hebron today same ministers as yesterday. Visitors Simon Hoover's, Abraham Moyers from Clinton M Neighswander Abraham Doner's & Uncle CB's awhile this evening W. fine clear CB is better again

11 Meeting at Widemans. Decided by Lots today that my Br. Christian be Bishop & Christian L. Hoover be Deacon Went to Little Chris Hoovers after Service W. fine Clear

12 I & My Mother went to Uncle Joe's Aunt Susan is very sick with inflammation went to JDs for supper W. very warm, some rain last night. thunder showers on our way home W. and Br C & his man washed our and Br C's sheep AM W pulled weeds out of wheat PM

13 Planted potatoes W. warm Clear

14 I plowed RW's garden AM Sowed it with Oats PM W. pulled weeds W. very warm. a little rain tonight Br. C's daughter Elisabeth broke her arm above the wrist this evening

June 1867

15 I Commenced to Shear sheep this morning when JB. JD's & his boy Anthony Stover Came at 10 AM to go fishing. went with them to little rouge Caught a horn Chub Came home about 1/2 past 3 Oc, finished Sheep. W. Clear warm

16 Went to Br. S's Mother & Lizzy went to Br C's W. warm clear

17 I & W. worked on road in Scarboro with team W. clear

18 Took Wool to Whitevale Carding Mills AM Drew old rails off fallow PM W. Commenced plowing fallow in field near Hoover's W. Clear fine shower this Morning Cool this evening

19 Went to BSS AM I & Br. N set 35 posts PM on Scarboro townline west of lane W. Clear

20 drew 2 loads of fence boards from SM AM Went to funeral of Michael Burkholders Child at Hebron PM Burned some brush in Markham fallow PM & this evening W. Clear

21 I & RW set some posts & finished burning brush in Markham fallow W. fine clear

22 I drew rails to make a fence between peas & pasture in field behind Cider house AM I & Br S nailed boards on as far as posts are set on Scarboro townline PM Jacob Widemans were here awhile this evening W. fine clear

Sunday 23 Went to Meeting at Cedar Grove remarks by Br C Sermon on St Luke 16th C 19 v to end of C by Rvd J Wideman Visitors F inlaws. JH Ramer & family were here too W. warm. Clear

24 Rolled turnip ground & plowed some in fallow AM Took Milk Can to Markham to get repaired & went to Town Clerks office Unionville for my Road List PM W. very warm

25 {Warned?} hands on road for Friday Morning & went to WM Buttons AM Plowed in fallow, PM W. very warm

26 Went to Cedar Grove AM drew home old rail pieces & fixed fence between peas & pasture behind Cider house PM W. drizzly AM. Cloudy PM. Cooler looks a little like rain tonight.

June July 1867 {this actually appears below entry for 27}

27 Harrowed Turnip ground AM W. finished plowing fallow I hoed some Corn & potatoes PM W. Commenced Making turnip drills PM W. Warm

28 Worked on roads. W. finished drills. Sowed some tonight. W. cool a little rain tonight

28 Worked on roads. W. finished sowing turnips. {Sim? him?} & RW Finished pulling weeds in Wheat W. Clear fine

Sunday 29 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Br C. Sermon on St. Luke 10 C 30 V to end of C by Rev H Barkey. Visitors after service S Lehman & wife. JB's were here ~~after~~ for supper W. warm

Confederation Holiday July 1 Drew some soft Wood out of Scarboro fallow AM. W went to Circus in Markham PM. I Chored went eel fishing at Br S's with Isaac & {John?} Davis this evening John caught a large one W. Warm. Clear

2 Went to Cheese factory 4 Weeks income \$20.39cts hoed potatoes PM. R & W drew dung on pile. W warm, sultry, very dry

3 Finished hoeing potatoes AM Chored & helped to draw Some dung PM W. very warm

4 I & Nancy went to Markham. W. very warm I went eel fishing with I and J Davis I caught a Small one the first one I ever caught

5 Helped Br N weed carrots hoed Some corn this evening Old Martin Neighswander's were here at dinner W. shower AM, another this evening

6 Chored AM Harrowed fallow PM W. rained fine shower AM Clear PM Went eel fishing. I Davis Caught one

Sunday 7 Went to Flavius Br. N's were here at Supper W. very warm clear

8 R & W drew dung on heap AM on fallow PM Br. C Cut hay for us with his Combined Patterson Machine in Meadow east of dam I moved fence Corners W. fine pretty Cool

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9 Drew dung on fallow W. slight shower AM Clear warm PM

10 Drew dung on heap & shook out hay I cut some thistles in Oats, & helped Br. N put some beans on his overlay in barn W. Cool Some Cloudy. bad hay weather

11 Drew some dung on fallow & turned hay AM Raked & Cocked a lot PM W. rather Cloudy looked like rain AM Clear PM JD brought my Mother and Lizzy home today

12 July. Raked & Cocked all the hay that was cut on Monday Br. C finished Cutting meadow W. fine Cool rather cloudy

13 W. helped Br C stack hay I planted Celery and turned some hay AM took Dick & {Sent?} to Walkeys to get shod PM turned some hay after supper W. fine Clear

14 Went to Meeting at Altona remarks by Br C Sermon on St. Mat 15. C 21st to 30th V by Rev Jas Barkey Went to M Neighswanders {Jas?} after Service W. fair warm Cool Breeze

15 Finished raking & Cocking Meadow W. fine untill Supper when it Commenced to rain a fine shower

16 I & my Mother went to Uncle Joe's to see Aunt Susannah W. fine Cool, Aunt is very poorly. I & Nancy took rolls to Chris Stovers this evening RW. went to raising at Garlands

17 Drew in 12 loads hay W. fine Clear

18 Drew in 25 loads hay which finishes meadow except a little swail. W. fine, warm Clear Flavius boys, Ceph & Isaac, helped

19 We all went to F inlaws for dinner & to JD's for supper. W. warm fine Clear

20 Drew a load of lumber to bay for Br S. he had a bee. W. very warm. Clear

21 Went to Meeting at Cedar Grove remarks by Br. C. Sermon on St Luke 18 C by Rev H Barkey Went to AB's after dinner W. heavy squall of wind tonight

July 1867

July 22 I scuffled turnips AM Went with my Mother to see my Aunt Susanna PM she is about the same W. very warm

23 Plowed potatoes this morning Plowed in fallow Br N helped today I & RW drew in swail hay out of meadow this evening then went to Br. S's to {service?} W. very warm dry

24 Both plowed RW helped Br. C. W. very warm

25 Finished Plowing fallow AM & brought a load of shingle bolts to lane I took it to Pilkeys & Chored PM W. Cut thistles in Markham fallow PM I went to Mrs Mitchels for a new hat this evening W. very warm

26 All cut thistles AM I took Mare to Walkeys PM. R cut in swail in oat field PM. I & RW went to Jesse Reesors this evening W. not quite so warm. I helped Flavius kill a sheep after supper

27 I & W finished thistles AM I went to Duncans & Majorville PM R & W. finished swail & Orchard W. very warm

Sunday 28 Family went to Meeting at Hebron I staid at home watching fire at Markham fallow. very high west wind, very hot, pulled down a lot of fence on East Side JDs were here & James Duncan at supper

29 Helped Br. C. cut 5 1/2 acres barley, & 4 acres wheat for James Craigie W. very windy fence Caught again at Markham fallow

30 Cut barley for us W. fine clear Cut with Br. C's reaper we are not binding it put it in Cocks

31 Finished Cutting barley & began wheat AM Finished Wheat PM W. fine Clear fine shower tonight I was at Br. C's awhile his daughter Elisabeth broke her right arm this evening at near the same place she done about 7 weeks ago

1867 Aug 1867

August 1 Helped Br. C to try to Cut rye & barley awhile this morning would not work to wet Commenced to drissle about 10 AM R & W shocked wheat. Cleaned some wheat & chop PM fine shower PM I went to WM's after supper boys hoed turnips

2 I took 28 bus chop to Major Mills AM W was at Flavius AM & RW thinned turnips Flavius Cut our rye with his reaper PM W. fine clear

3 Finished hoeing turnips Br. N & Isaac helped R helped Flavius fill dung W went to Major Mills after supper W. fine clear

Sunday 4 Went to Meeting at Widemans remarks by Rev J Wideman Sermon on St Mat 18C 23 V to end of C by Rev H Barkey. Went to JB's after service & to Menno Burkholders for supper W. warm clear

5 I & W drew in 3 loads barley AM Chored PM W. warm AM drissly PM RW was at Br N's

6 Drew in 3 loads Wheat AM & 2 loads barley PM began to rain little shower about 2 PM Cloudy until evening R pulled a few Peas while we loaded AM behind cider house

7 I went to Cedar Grove & drew in 1 load wheat & W harrowed in fallow AM Drew in 5 loads PM W. very warm Clear thunder Clouds in North

8 drew in 8 loads barley R was at Br C's PM W. very warm

9 drew in 5 loads barley till supper which finishes it. when W started for Dr. Mc. My Mother was taken sick with with Cholera Morbus this PM. W very warm thunder Clouds in north tonight

10 I didn't do much but went to Cedar Grove AM J & W drew in rye 4 loads & 1 load swail hay out of Oat field PM W. Cool, nice shower last night My mother is getting better. our Susanna is sick too the Dr. didn't say what was wrong with her

Sunday 11 at home JDs JB's & Br S's were here Mother & Susanna are getting better W. Warm I & W drove home John Davis Cow after dark she got with our cattle today

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Sunday 11 continued When we got back I didn't feel well. went to bed, got up & vomited occasionally through the night

12 Done nothing. pretty sick. went to B smith PM. very Weak. no appetite. pretty {sluir?} {slim?} W. clear

13 Chored AM. Went to Chris Stovers & AB's PM W. fine rain this Morning. Uncle Jacob Burkholder's wife died on Sunday & was buried today. Was buried at Wideman's

14 Chored AM W. Commenced plowing fallow third time. R & W helped Br C bind oats PM I turned peas, W. fine Clear Warm

15 I & R drew in peas behind Cider house 5 loads & 1 load hay out of Oat field & rackful barley rakings W. clear

16 I & My Mother went to Uncle Joseph's & to JDs got home about 3 PM I then went to D Hoovers to get his horse rake to pull peas did not go well My Aunt Susanna is very poorly W. warm clear

17 Pulled peas AM All helped Flavius cut his Oats with reaper PM W. very warm

Sunday 18 Went to Meeting at Cedar Grove remarks by Rev H Barkey Sermon on St Luke {blank space} by Br C W. very warm

19 All pulled peas W. Warm clear

20 I & W helped CB thresh with team W. warm

21 I & W drew in 8 loads peas out of big field R helped Br. C thresh W. warmer Clear

22 Drew in 8 loads peas R pulled while we loaded W. very warm Clear I killed a sheep after supper & I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove after supper. I forgot to mention that I was at a meeting at Cedar Grove on Saturday evening Called by Mr J Metcalfe Candidate for the Commons of Canada. & HP Crosby. Candidate for the Legislature of Ontario (formerly Upper Canada) Meeting in favor of both Candidates. they being opposed to T. A Milne & John Bowman

23 Had threshing Machine. threshed 187 bus barley 65 Wheat. W. very warm. Commenced to rain stormy {or slowly or stormily?} at dark tonight

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24 I helped Br. C draw in Oats AM I & Nancy took Can to Markham to get mended & went to J H Rennies for supper R & W pulled peas W. cooler rained up north last night. none here

Sunday 25 Went to Meeting at Hebron. Remarks by Br. C Sermon on {blank space} by Rev H Barkey Visitors after service M. Neighswander JD. & family Sam Hoover & wife John & their girl {Teeny?} David Burkholder & family W. warm Clear Jesse Reesor & family were here for supper

26 Started about Midnight with AB's team & buggy to Dr Mcs & to F. inlaws for Mother inlaw got home about breakfast AB's have a daughter born this morning. All pulled peas today W. clear

27 I & R pulled peas. W. helped W Lapp thresh W. Cooler. Sharp lightning & thunder last night fine shower

28 Finished pulling peas AM. W. plowed in fallow PM. I & R helped Br C. cut his spring {wheat?} PM. fine shower last night. Cool today

29 Cut Oat field back of Garden Br. C drove Tailor from {belford?} helped W. fine clear

30 finished binding oats & Cut oats in middle of pea field Br. N helped PM. W. Cool Clear

31 Drew in {blank space} loads of peas untill supper time W drissly from 2 o clock got to wet had to quit Isaac helped

Sunday Sept 1 We all & Mother & Lizzy went to CB's JDs were here for supper W. Cool. rained all last night

2 Cut last Oats 2 acres in Wheat field & 2 acres spring wheat in fallow AM Cut oats for Br N AM W helped to bind W. fine Clear

3 Drew in last peas 2 loads & 3 loads Oats untill about 4 Oc PM When it Commenced to rain JB helped W. plowed

4 I went to Markham with My Mother AM Chored PM W finished plowing fallow 3d time W. Clear

5 I & WRW Drew in Oats of of field behind garden W. harrowed fallow W. fine clear

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6 I & Nancy Went to S Lehman's they were not at home then went to JB's I went to election voted for James Metcalfe for the Commons of Canada & M P Crosby for the Legislature of Ontario. W. short shower this morning very heavy shower at Mongolia (late California) about noon none here

7 Finished harvest by drawing in a few loads of Oats & 2 loads spring wheat W. Commenced to ridge up RW helped Br N PM, great news this evening. Mrs. {plural} Metcalfe and Crosby triumphantly returned with great majorities W. fine Clear

Sunday 8 Went to AB's W. fine clear

9 I, W. & Br N ridged up W. fine. Nice shower tonight

10 Plowed a little & then sowed fall wheat 7 1/2 acres W. fine cool

11 Drew Duncans hay he bought a swail from me W furrowed out wheat AM W. fine clear

12 Thanksgiving day. Went to meeting at Wideman's remarks by R Jas Barkey Sermon on {blank space} by Br C Went to F in laws after service W. fine clear

13 Went to C Stovers for yarn AM Cleaned a load of Wheat PM W. showery . all day

14 Took 44 bus 8 lbs Midge Proof Wheat to Major Mills @ \$1.30 cts per bus AM Drew a load bolts to Pilkey's PM. Went Coon hunting tonight with 8 Markham boys. Caught nothing W. fine Clear

Sunday 15 at home all day Flavius & family were here W. fine clear

16 Went to See Aunt Susanna with My Mother she is very low yet W. rather Cloudy warm

17 got horses shod at Walkeys AM I & Nancy went to Markham PM. W. very warm, sultry, Close

18 went to Weaver at Mongolia & to S. Lehman's for dinner W. very very warm rained fine shower coming home W Finished plowing spring Wheat stubble

19 went to Simon Hoover's & I went to Watson Tailor at Claremont W drew dung out of pile on Pea ground behind Cider house W. fine clear Cooler

20 Took 44 bus 3 lbs barley to F mans bay @ 78.cts W. fine Clear

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21 I dragged new land for Br. N AM W went in my place PM I chored at home PM W. fine clear Went to Cedar Grove tonight

Sunday 22 at home. Meeting Hebron W cool clear

23 Took 45 {blank space} barley to Fmans buy {likely bay} @75 cts per by W clear

24 Took 43 bus 36 lbs barley to Fmans bay @75 W clear

25 Chored & Went to Cedar Grove AM fixed {fired?} Scarboro brush @11 oc AM had splendid burn Nancy had quilting today W. fine clear.

26 Took 42 bus 14lb Barley to Fmans buy {bay} @75ct W. Cooler Some cloudy

27 Helped Flavius draw earth on his swamp road awhile this morning when Finlaws came & I came home W. helped him all day JH Ramers were here for supper W. fine clear this is my 31st Birthday

28 Chored AM Helped Br C cut his clover seed PM Took Pea & barley chop to Cedar Grove Mills this evening. W. plowed in Oat field W. fine clear

Sunday 29 at home all day Sacrement at Widemans W. clear

30 Cut clover seed Br C Helped. Plate on sickle bar got loose, had to get it fixed. W. fine Cool. Clear

Oct 1 Went to Cedar Grove for Chop for Hogs & Nancy went along to store AM chored & cut a little Clover this evening W watched fire PM it broke out Hard frost last night. grape vines froze. W. fine clear

2 Chored AM tried to Cut a little clover this morning. too damp. Cohoned {chored} PM W. rained some AM clear Pm. Made a new hog trough

3 Picked apples AM I & W {nearly or C nearly} finished cutting clover seed PM when the small bolt in Boxing of Pitman broke. W. fine Clear

4 Drove in 4 loads seed. W. Cool Clear Br C helped & R W. W has gone to Markham Fair

5 Cleaned few Oats AM I went to Dimmas {they live nearby on map} & Cedar Grove PM W. fine soaking rain last night & AM cloudy cool PM

Sunday 6 I & my Mother & Lizzy went to Br S's Nancy & children went to Br C's W. Cool Clear

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Oct 7 Made 2 brls Cider at Jonas Raymers W. fine Clear

8 Boiled Sauce AM finished Cutting & drawing in Clover seed 2 small boads W. Cool clear

9 killed a lamb & chored AM didnt do much PM S Lehmans were here a while W Cloudy AM fine rain PM

10 I & W Cut logs & fallow AM chored PM W cloudy AM rained PM

11 Chored AM I ~~went to~~ drew a load of bolts to Pilkey {lives nearby on township map} & went to store PM W plowed W. rained AM cloudy PM

12 Made small bedstead this Morning Commenced to log in Scarboro fallow about 10 AM finished it & made a few heaps in the Markham one J Davis helped with Br S's oxen I Davis & S Spence helped W. rained this morning slight drissles today

Sunday 13 at Home A Bs were here W. Clear

14 Went to Cedar Grove & to Br Ss this morning Plowed until noon Picked apples PM JB was here PM & Picked some PM W. plowed W. very fine Clear

15 Dug potatoes W. fine Clear

16 I went to Claremont for my Clothes & W helped Br C dig potatoes AM. finished our potatoes PM W. Fine Clear

17 Drew dung on field below house Uncle Jacob Burkholder was here PM. W. very fine Clear

18 Finished drawing dung AM Fixed fence that was burnt along Scarboro fallow PM W. very fine Clear fine rain in leaves in Scarboro bush {took from stone? or alone oro hours} {like fire done no illegible?}

19 I went to Major Mills with 10 bus grist wheat AM I & RW took in winter apples PM W. finished plowing oat stubble & commenced pea stubble behind Cider house PM W very warm distant thunder tonight

Sunday 20 at home. Meeting & Sacrement at Hebron J Stovers & family were here this evening. W. warm fine Clear

21 Chored & shot 2 squirrels AM Went to Major Mills for Grist PM W. plowed W. fine warm clear raining tonight. J D McPhee died today

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Oct 22 Helped Flavius kill pig and chored AM Went to Markham for landside for Iron plow PM W cool clear

23 Drew 2 loads (1000) 2 in tiles from Petty W. Cool Clear

24 Drew home 4 loads wood A M watched fire in Scarboro bush & brought plow from Walkeys shop 3 d Con Pickering PM W fine clear W plowed in rye stubble

25 dug a few potatoes in field below garden & cut & drew in some trees. W fine Clear remarkable fine weather for the seasons I & W shot 3 black squirrels at noon

26 killed pig & chored A M Picked apples PM W. clear Fire bad in bush tonight. I & W down at it near 12 o clc {oclock}

Sunday 27 at home all day. W. fine clear

28 Picked apples. Susanna {his daughter c 6 years of age} was scalded very bad on the neck & breast with hot coffee at noon rests very well tonight. W Cloudy, raining tonight

29 Commenced a drain in NW corner field I R Gourley & R W worked at it A M. W. plowed I had to stay in the house PM Susanna was restless W. went to Br Ss {his brother Simeon} raising of shed PM W fine very little rain last night

30 Travelled around looking for a girl today Nancy gave birth to a son last night. Can find no girl W. very fine roads good

31 Went to Jacob Reesors. Brought his Daughter Anne to work AM. ~~Went~~ Chored PM W fine clear Finlaws were here

Nov 1 Helped to lay tiles & filled part of drain Fire broke out PM fought until night W clear

2 finished filling drain w fire broke out worse fought all PM. W. heavy wind. We hear of fires in the woods in all directions

Sunday 3 at home AB's JHRs & S Lehman's {these names may be incorrect. He often uses ABr to refer to his brother-in-law] were here Br N's {Br N = his brother Noah} awhile PM W. a little rain last night fine shower PM some thunder. raining very fast this evening 9 oclock

4 Pulled turnips R W helped. M Neighswanders were here W Clear

5 Finished turnips J Bs were here W. ground frose this morning a little snow squall today the first this season

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Nov 6 Chored in barn AM Drew 6 loads turnips PM JDs were here. W ground white with snow this morning

7 Drew 14 loads turnips with 2 waggons. W ground froze this morning Strong east wind all day, Cold

8 Drew 2 loads turnips which finishes them. very light Crop with us & a great many this year drew 2 loads wood & fixed fences that were burnt in Scarboro W. warmer clear Finlaws {Father-in-laws} were here awhile PM

9 fixed fences AM W Harrowed spring wheat stubble PM & I went to Cedar Grove PM W fine clear

Sunday 10 at home. Simon Hoovers were here PM W clear

11 took 32 bus 40 lbs Peas to Fmans bay @70 cts per bus W. Cool. Cloudy AM Clear PM W. plowed

12 Chored. Took 10 ewes to Flavius AM. Made about 120 gallons Cider at Bice's Mill 6th Con Pickering PM. W. Cold. Windy. Clear

13 Boiled Sauce. W. Milder a little snow last night

14 Boiled Sauce. Milder heavy snow squalls PM W. Picked some apples PM

15 Went to Walkeys B S AM Made about 4 brls Cider at Bice's PM. W. pretty Cold Clear

16 Went to Special School Meeting in Markham AM to Consider the Propriety of building a new School house. Decided against it. Went to Peter's sale P.M. W. very Cold north wind squall of snow tonight

Sunday 17 Went to Meeting at Hebron Remarks by Br C {Br C = his brother Christian} Sermon on {blank space} by Rev H Barky Martha Shank was here after service W. ground white with snow this morning. Cold wind a little squally today

18 Boiled Cider W. & Br N set some cedar posts along townline PM W. Cold froze too hard to plow

19 drew home some wood & water. very dry weather Cold very Cold. got ready for butchering

20 killed 4 hogs W Clear. getting very mild

21 Salted meat & Chored AM Went to Cedar Grove Mill with 4 bus grist & brought home a brl of water from rouge PM Water very scarce W. Mild Clear

22 I & W helped Br S thresh W. cloudy foggy

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23 I & Br S went to toronto. got new Sausage cutter &c {=etc.} W. foggy. bad coming home. dark as dungeon. roads good as July. mild weather

Sunday 24 at home AB's Br Ns & Flavius were here W. Mild, foggy. raining this evening

25 Cleaned Peas awhile AM Went Rabbit Shooting with Br inlaws Saml John & Jesse Hoover W M & Isaac. Shot one Rabbit & a few Squirrels W Cloudy some rain this evening

26 Helped Br C kill hogs W. fine

27 Went to Uncle Joes with My Mothers Aunt is still the same. W. Cloudy mild

28 helped Br N kill hogs W fair Mild Clear

29 Helped AB kill hogs W rain all day heavy blow & snow from north tonight

30 Chored & went to James Burrows PM my year old Comet Colt got badly hurt at Br Cs Pasture the first of the week shoulder badly bruised doing pretty well. W hard frost very cold

Sunday Dec 1 at home all day. W like winter

2 Chored AM I & Nancy went to Markham & to Cheese Factory PM. W. snowed awhile AM Mild PM

3 Went to David Barkeys to See D Strickler he was not there went to JDs for my dinner then went to Strickler's house and engaged him to bore our well to find water very dry time yet. W Cold roads pretty good

4 Helped Br S kill hogs W. Pretty cold

5 Helped Flavius Kill hogs W. Milder Clear

6 Chored AM Took 8 bus Wheat to Cedar Grove Mills PM. W Cold. some snow squalls thaw PM

7 I & RW Cleaned 87 1/2 {or 8 1/2?} bus Peas W. windy Cold

Sunday 8 at home. W. Some snow squalls, a few inches on the ground

9 I & RW Cleaned about 80 bus Oats & I went to Cedar Grove Mills PM W. very Cold. Coldest this season

10 Helped C B kill 4 hogs & beef W Milder

11 Brought Sheep home from Flavius & Chored all went to Br S's tonight W. Milder

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12 Chored. W. Strong east wind very Cold about coldest day this season

13 Some milder drew some wood for my Mother a little thin sleighing

14 Drew Some wood & Chored W. milder

Sunday 15 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Br C Sermon on St Luke 10 ! {?} C 57 V to end of Chap by Rvd H Barky W. snowed a few inches last night showing nearly all day mild tonight

16 got mare shod at Walkeys AM Chored PM W. pretty fair sleighing mild

17 At home JDs were here. drizzly rain from east froze where it fell. didn't amount to much

18 JB was here AM. I went to Majorville PM to show a receipt of payment of a bill presented by the assignee to the Estate of Robert Porters {Porteus?} an Insolvent

19 We all went to Finlaws. I went to David Ramer's sale PM. bought Pidgeon net @\$10.55ct W. pretty Cold sleighing fair

20 Went to Unionville to return road list W. Mild drizzly like rain. CB's & Br Cs were all here tonight

21 Killed beef Br S Br C & CB helped W mild snow tonight

Sunday 22 at home Br Ss were here all went to Br Ns tonight W. snowed about 5 in last night Commenced to rain towards morning rained untill about 8 AM thawed all day snow nearly all away. Cistern nearly full of water

23 Went to ask AB's to help kill hogs tomorrow drew some wood & I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM W very windy last night & today

24 killed 5 hogs W a little snow this morning. mild cloudy

Christmas day 25 at home all day. W. Mild drizzly rain from East AM ice froze on trees Commenced to rain faster PM raining fast tonight

26 I & Nancy went to AB's to help to kill a beef W. Mild heavy rain last night Plenty of water Creek running full sleighing all gone except some ice.

27 Chored. didn't feel well. W rained some mild

28 Went to Cedar Grove AM & to R Carters sale PM W. Colder clear sleighing gone

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Sunday 29 Went to Old Daniel Hoovers W. pretty Cold.

30 Drew fence out of bush Where WM is chopping AM Went to his bee PM. W. pretty cold clear

January 1st 1868 at home all day sitting in the house snow storm from east last night and all day. about 1 foot fell drifted some mild

2 Chored. Hoover's youngsters were here tonight W. mild

3 We all went to JD's & awhile to JB's W fine mild

4 drew home some wood & went to Cedar Grove W some few inches snow last night & this morning mild today

Sunday 5 I & Nancy went to Meeting at Cedar Grove remarks by Br C Sermon on St Luke 2nd C By Rvd H Barky JB's were here a little while PM & JD's this evening W fine mild

6 Chored AM Went to Municipal Election in Markham PM Voted for W Eakin for Reeve Mr Lane & W Flamersfelt for Deputy Reeves & Jesse Reesor & W Padget for Councillors Went to Flavius tonight W mild clear

7 Went to Flavius Chopping bee W. a little rain & sleet AM cloudy & mild

8 Went to S Lehman's & a little while to Uncle Joes Aunt is about the same W mild cloudy a little snow tonight

9 Chored. Isaac Reesor helped me saw a few cuts of pine for kindling wood in Br Cs field PM W. very cold wind from west all day

10 Went to Duncans with little boys boots AM Chored PM W very cold Mrs Sewell died yesterday

11 drew home 2 loads pine {or fire} wood AM Went to Duncans for boots & to Cedar Grove PM. W. Milder

Sunday 12 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by H Barky Sermon on St John 4 C by Br C JH Ramer's were here when we got home W. pretty Cold

13 Helped WM chop awhile this morning when Finlaws Came ABs were here for dinner & Jac {or Jas?} Reesors Anne {or AM?} W. fine pretty Cold I drew 2 loads wood this evening

14 Took Nancy & Susanna to Dr Mc for sore throats AM Helped Br C kill a Beef PM Cold, East wind

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Jan 15 Chored AM drew some wood PM W. milder

16 Went to Uncle Joe's with my Mother. Aunt is poorly Called at JB's they Came home with us Br Ns were here tonight W. pretty Cold

17 Chored Made a Black ash handsleigh for my boys W. Milder Clear

18 Chored AM Went to Geo Tait's with C Burkholder PM. W Clear AM a little snowy PM. Mild

Sunday 19 at home all day W. mild

20 I & boys cleaned some tailings AM I took it to Cedar Gove Mills & brought home a load of edgings PM. W Milder looks like a thaw

21 Dillers were here. I & Diller went shooting squirs {squirrels} with my rifle I shot 2 & he shot 1 W. fine clear

22 Chored & Went to Cedar Grove Mills PM W Mild white frost this morning

23 Chored AM Went to C Raymers tannery with Beef Hide & one for Br C PM. W. thawing, a little rain am

24 Chored AM Got Charley shod all round at Walkeys PM. W. Colder. roads a little bare

25 Went to Flavius AM Drew some wood PM. W. Mild {&} cloudy

Sunday 26 at home. I went to Burkholders awhile AM W. a little snow last night & this forenoon

27 Drew home wood for My Mother & some for myself & I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove W. pretty Cold Clear

28 I & RW cleaned rye 40 bus AM Made barn ready for Clover Machine PM W some light Snow AM getting Milder

29 Had Jonas Millers Clover Mill. Threshed 13 bus seed & 3 1/2 for Br C. W. pretty Cold Clear

30 Done nothing. got bad Cold. W. pretty cold

Feb 1 Went to Markham & to Finlaws for dinner W. clear cold west wind

Sunday 2 Candlemas day at home Simon Hoovers were here W. Cloudy a little sun this evening very cold tonight

3 at the Annual Meeting at Hebron to appoint trustees, not many attended no Meeting held W. very cold last night & today windy mild tonight

4 Went to Simon Hoovers W. fine mild clear

5 S Lehmans were here I took chop to Cedar Grove Mills this evening. W. mild clear

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Feb 6 I went for Dr Mc for Jane AM she has something like Rhumatic fever Chored PM W. fine this morning strong west wind PM & tonight a little snow last night

7 Chored W very Cold clear

8 Went to Cedar Grove Mills AM Took Jane home PM W. milder. snowing from East tonight

Sunday 9 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Br C Sermon on St John 3rd C by Revd H Barkey JD's were here after service S G Reesor from {Hay?} was in meeting. he is appointed a Deacon W. soft snow & rain AM very Cold tonight

10 Chored AM brought Jane home PM W. very Cold. very Cold last night

11 Went to JH Ramers W. some milder AB's were here tonight

12 Drew wood AM Went to Duncan's & to Belford PM. Went to Saml Shanks this evening.
W. Milder

13 drew some wood AM Uncle Saml Reesors were here PM W Mild west wind PM heavy
tonight

14 Valentines day. Went to JB's W. very Cold this morning snow squall coming home, mild
tonight. Br Ns & Flavius were here tonight

15 Chored. W. mild snowed about 5 in last night & am

16 Sunday Went to Meeting at Widemans remarks by Br C Sermon on {he leaves a blank
space} by Revd J Wideman went to Br inlaw Saml Hoover after Service W. mild clear

17 Chored. W. Snowed about 4 in last night & AM. Soft. blowed up cold this evening

18 I & Pilkey cut shingle timber ABs Solomon Burkholder & Daniel Shaver's were here
awhile PM. W. very cold this morning milder today

19 Went to M Neighswanders {Jur. or Jnr.} W. fine warm, thawing some Old Aunt Susanna
Burkholder Died this morning

20 Chored AM I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM W. warm thawing

21 Chored & drew some wood Mother went to funeral with CB's we did not go Levi has some
thing like Croup W. Colder clear

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Feb 22 Chored. Dr Mc was here with Levi he says he has Influenza I went for him {?} last
night about 10 oclock W. pretty sharp all day

Sunday 23 at home all day JD's were here at Mothers Mary Duncan & her Man Matthew
Dyke were here this evening W. pretty cold

24 Helped R W. thresh Oats W. Severe snow storm from East all day & tonight drifting all
day

25 threshed a few Oats great storm continuing untill after dinner Continued to blow a slight
drissling rain W. mild

26 Never saw such drifts on Pickering townline warned out hands. shoveled all day till dark.
got it open from our Corner till Hoover's lane. our lane is full made a road through field W.
mild cloudy

27 Went to see about opening out 11 Con {concession} AM Done nothing PM W. mild

28 Walked to 11 Con AM James Milroy shovelled awhile AM I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove
PM I put mustard on back of my neck last night feel sore today W. light snow today blows
from North west

29 Chored AM Took Jane home PM. W. Colder clear Wm Little's house was on fire AM was put out again

March 1st at home JB's & JD were here & Jesse & Enos Hoover I went to AB's this evening W. pretty Cold clear

2 Chored AM Went to sale at TH Halls Cedar Grove PM W. Snow from East AM Cold blowing PM

3 I & RW Cleaned Oats W. very very Cold wind from north

4 Finished Cleaning Oats AM Went to TH Halls sale PM stayed this evening bought about \$1.00 worth of sundries W. Milder Clear

5 Cleaned seed barley AM JD was here got 15 bus seed Peas & 4 bus barley W. Milder Clear

6 Chored W. rained all day snow going fast

7 Chored & Went to D Hoover's AM Shovelled snow at Meeting house PM W. rained nearly all day Mild

Sunday 8 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks & sermon on {he doesn't finish sentence}

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JB's Br N's & Menno Burkholders were here after service CB's were here PM W. warm thawing

9 I went to Markham AM Chored PM Br C's & Br S's were here tonight. W. fine Clear thawing roads bad

10 Chored & hung up pork to smoke JH Ramers were here for 20 bus seed Peas. W. fine clear

11 Went to Cedar Grove Mills this morning with Grist & Chop Fatherinlaws were here JDs were at Mothers brought home Grist tonight W. fine

12 Drew wood AM Cleaned clover seed PM W. Cloudy AM. rained PM

13 Chored Uncle Joe's were here W. very warm Close

14 Went to JB's & to Mongolia for Cloth W. Clear heavy rain tonight

Sunday 15 at home all day W. warm snow going fast sleighing done

16 Chored W. Cloudy AM rainy PM

17 Went to Hoover's AM to See Samuel Stover he is very poorly drove through lane awhile PM W thawing very fast snow very near all gone

18 Chored W. Cooler froze a little last night

19 Chored Went to Cedar Grove with Nancy to D Lapps store he is keeping at Halls old stand W. Cool

20 Chored dont feel well got a few powders from Dr Mc he called to see My Mother she is better W clear

21 Chored. Went to Coxworths PM to see W Burkhoders about threshing W. Cold north wind frose hard last night

Sunday 22 at home. S Lehman's were here W Cool clear

23 Chored I & Mother went to Cedar Grove PM W. fine Clear

24 Br inlaw M N's were here I helped WM weigh a ton of hay W. fine Clear

25 had threshing Machine. Threshed 137 bus Oats & 14 bus spring wheat & 28 fall wheat W. fine Clear

26 Went to J Burrows for blister for Comet Colt AM Burned log heaps in Scarboro fallow W. fine dry clear, roads dusty in places

27 I & Nancy went to Markham Took My Mother & Lizzy to Br C's W. fine clear

28 Went to Walkeys Bss {Bss = Blacksmith Shop} AM chored PM W warm clear may weather very warm for the season

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Sunday 29 Went to meeting at Cedar Grove remarks by Br C Sermon on St Mat 7 by Rvd H Barky went to Br I's {or S's} after Service W. fine warm clear

30 Went to AB's & got Jess shod at Walkeys W. clear

31 Took My Mother & Lizzy to Br S's & N's W. {word too faint} Clear Heard today that there are suckers Caught in big rouge I & Br N caught a lot of chubs today bit well

April 1 Took My Mother to JDs Called at JB's they were not at home W. fine clear looks a little like rain W Morrison Commenced to work for me on Monday morning at \$14.00 per month & for 8 months

2 Cut wood in shed AM Fixed some fences PM W. snow squall AM clear cold PM

3 I & W sawed some rail Cuts. W Cold raw My Mother was taken sick about Midnight W {hired man} went for Dr Mc he said she has something like appoplexy {stroke}

4 Went to Tell Dr that my Mother is some better AM Took my last Clover seed 8 bus 53 lbs to R Willson @\$4.50 per bus & 6 bus Oats to Burk in exchange for an army gun W. Cold AM snow storm from north PM got very Cold

Sunday 5 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Br C Sermon on St John 3d C 1st to 20v by Rvd H Barkey Michael Frets & family & JD's were here after service W. Cold

6 I went to BSS for new Iron Harrows @\$22.00 AM JB's were here PM plowed sod behind Cider house after supper W plowed on Saturday & this PM W. ~~snow squall AM.~~ cold wind clear, need rain. ground pretty dry

7 both plowed snow squall AM, cloudy PM

8 Finished Plowing sod. I took Nancy to Br S's to get sewing done on machine T D McGee {Thomas D'Arcy McGee} was shot at Ottawa yesterday Morning by an assassin. W snow Squalls very windy

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9 I went for Dr AM my Mother is worse Chored PM W took & brought home 13 bus Chop at Cedar Grove Mills W. froze too hard to plow last night

Good Friday 10 at home all day CB's were here JD's Came this evening to stay all night W. Cold. Cloudy

11 Chopped some wood for my Mother & brought home a load of edgings AM brought home a load & killed a calf PM W. clear rained a little PM

East Sunday 12 at home Br S's Flavius's & AB's were here. My Mother is not quite so well. W. Clear pretty Cold

Easter Monday 13 at home JD's JB's & Br N's were here W. fine Clear My Mother a little better

14 Fixed Bridge & fence at dam AM Plowed in N West corner field PM a little frost yet W. Cloudy a little rain PM

15 I went to Fmans bay for 3 lbs {lbs or barrels} Plaster @ \$1.20 pck W Plowed Uncle D Burkholder's came to say all night W. warm clear

16 Plowed. W. warm clear windy

17 Fixed fence through fallow AM W plowed & I took grist to Major Mills PM. W very windy rain squalls PM

18 both plowed AM W began to plow for barley in field behind garden & I went to Meeting at Cedar Grove factory PM W. clear rather Cold wind PM

Sunday 19 Went to Meeting at Altona remarks & Sermon on {he leaves a blank space} by Rvd Jas Barky went to S Hoover's after service & awhile PM to MN's PM W fine clear

20 went fishing to big rouge with I Davis RW & M Dyke Caught 13 suckers water too clear. sowed 4 bus spring wheat below garden PM W. plowed W. fine clear

April 1868 May

Tuesday April 21st 1868 I finished Cultivating & harrowing spring wheat AM helped W plow for barley PM W clear

22 both plowed behind garden finished field except headlands W. cold raw wind clear

23 I & Nancy went to Markham & to J H Ramer W fetched grist from Major Mills & Cut a tree that fell on sod behind Cider house. W about 3 in of snow last night all thawed today

24 Sowed about 4 1/2 acres barley on last years turnip & spring wheat ground W. fine clear. Finlaws & JD's were here

25 Sowed about 8 acres barley in field behind garden AM I went to Menno Burkholders for a pig PM. W. fine Clear

Sunday 26 Weall & My Mother went to Br C's Br S's & N's were there W. fine Clear I & Nancy went to D Hoovers awhile this evening. Sam Stover is very poorly

27 Sowed knoll in N West Corner field with barley & sowed 8 drills Carrots below garden W. fine Clear

28 Sowed sod with peas W. fine Clear I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove to night

29 Rolled awhile AM began to rain about 9 cloudy till noon. fine rain PM W plowed in NW corner field AM

30 I went to Bss AM Both plowed in NW field finished it this evening W. Drissy & Cloudy at times. had my Buildings Insured in the Middlesex Company today for 3 years

May 1 both plowed in west end of big field AM I rolled PM went to Cedar Grove Mills after supper W. a little rain tonight

2 both plowed AM I rolled PM W. fine pretty Cold

Sunday 3 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Br C Sermon on St Mat 18 C by Rvd H Barkey J Stover & family were here after service W fine Clear warm

4 Sowed peas & Oats in NW Corner field W. Warm Clear Anthony Stover Commenced to work this morning @ 7 \$7.00 per Month for 6 months Sowed some Plaster in field behind barn I & Nancy went to JDs about 10 AM W finished plaster & A Picked stones of the field W. heavy thunder Stormy last night. another today things growing fast . warm

May 1868

6 both finished plowing half of big field Anthony plowed awhile. W. Cold wind

7 sowed Oats on west half of big field W. Cool

8 Fixed fence along 11 Con AM went fishing at Br S's PM Caught 30 suckers W Cold wind

9 I went to Bss AM boys turned sods at Br Cs & fixed fence awhile AM I rolled barley & boys drew stones off meadow PM. W. cool clear

Sunday 10 went to Br Ns W fine Clear

11 I rolled in barley & Oats in west half of big field W {W Morrison} drew stones off summer fallow A {Anthony Stover} dug garden W. clear

12 Cut rye straw with Hoover's Cutting box am boys helpful Flavius make dam & I chored PM W. cool wind clear

13 Took 20 bus Chop to Cedar Grove Mills & Nancy to Br S's to sew on Machine AM brought her home this evening. W. Commenced to rain about 10 AM from East rained fast all day

14 Cleaned wheat AM Went to Cedar Grove Mills for Chop PM W. rainy AM heavy rain PM

15 Drew off sail Cuts on Scarboro fallow AM Sowed plaster on upper Meadow & brought home some hay from CB's after supper W. Cloudy

16 I & Anthony drew 3 loads edgings W. is not well W. Clear warm

Sunday 17 at home AM Went to CB's PM W Clear AM Boys both sick with bad Cold shower {?} PM

18 I AB. Br N & RW went fishing at Br S's at 3 o'clock AM. Caught 82 suckers W Cloudy Cool rain last night I & Nancy started for Markham PM turned back at Cheese factory Mare Jess got sick, is better again

19 I went to Bss & brought Mr Duncan to Mr Dykes AM I & Nancy went to Markham PM. W. fine clear W Drew Stones off fallow

20 Both plowed in fallow. Br inlaw S Hoovers were here at supper W. fine Clear

Ascension day 21 We all & Br Ns 15 of us went to JDs in our big waggon to see their little girl. W. Cloudy rain Coming home rain tonight Dominion plowing match at Brooklin Whitby

May June 1868

May 22 Chored. got sore eye W. helped Flavius draw dung W. Drizzly rain all day

23 Didn't do much Went for Henry Barkey this evening Br Cs wife is very bad W. Cloudy AM fine Clear PM roads very muddy

Sunday 24 at Br Cs most of the time his wife is very poorly, W. warm a little Cloudy

25 W plowed in fallow I didn't do much W warm Clear

26 I went to Major Mills with grist of wheat AM & to Markham after supper to get some things for Br C his wife is about the same W. warm Clear

27 Planted Corn below garden W. warm slight thunder Shower PM

28 Planted potatoes behind Cider house W a little shower

29 I went to Belford & Whitevale {Pickering Township} AM Helped W. finish plowing turnip ground PM W. fine clear Joseph Hagey & wife came here tonight. Yearly Conference was held at Widemans today

30 I took Rvd Joseph Hagey & wife to Altona to Meeting today got dinner at M Neighswander {there is a Nighswander in York County Historical Atlas, Markham Township} W. Cloudy AM Clear PM Cool tonight

Whitsunday 31 Went to Meeting at Widemans Lords Supper was Celebrated a great Many Ministers & Deacons were present. Went to S Lehmans after Service W. Cool this Morning, warm today

June 1 Meeting at Hebron. Sacrement. A great many visiting Brethren out & in with us today W. Clear

2 Took John Brubaker to Port Union Station AM Washed sheep at Flavius PM Went fishing at Br S's with Flavius & his boys this evening Caught about a dozen to put in his dam W. fine Clear

3 Went to Bss AM Jacob Reesor & wife & B Lehman from Lancaster P.A. US. John G Reesor & daughter Uncle Josephs {Josephus?} & wife were here for Dinner. W. Clear

4 I & Nancy went to Markham AM Finlaws were here PM I went Eel fishing tonight, got none. W. Cloudy warm
June 1868

June 5 Worked at hand Cart AM I & W plowed in fallow till supper W. rain AM & this evening

6 I & CB went to Uncle Joe's to get some Furniture that he & my Mother got at the dividing of Aunt Susanna's effects W. rained nearly all day

Sunday 7 Went to Flavius. were not at home Came back Br. S's were here. At Mothers for dinner with us for supper. W. fine Clear

8 I sheared sheep W helped Br. C plant potatoes showers this evening W. clear

9 Went fishing this morning with W. AB Br S & N J Davis Flavius Jim. Caught 12 Mulletts & 7 suckers Made some fence through Clover behind barn Anthony helped to plant corn for W. Clod. W. fine Clear

10 Took some wool to get Carded at Altona Went to MNs fished some W. Clear Warm

11 Finished fence through Clover AM. C and I took some wool to Whitevale factory to get spun PM W. finished plowing fallow & harrowed turnip ground

12 Took my Mother to Uncle Sams then I went to Markham & Unionville for road list. & to JD's for dinner. Worked at Milk Cart after supper. W. very warm. warmest day this season

13 Chored. Anthony harrowed fallow W. finished plowing turnip ground harrowed & rolled it W. warm clear

Sunday 14 at home. JD's were all at Mothers W. Clear

15 Went to BSS & split some Cedar near BrC's AM boys split Cedar & I warned road hands PM W. very warm today. rained fine after supper

16 I & Nancy went to Markham AM I went to Whitevale for a Milk Can PM Commenced to send milk to Whitevale factory this morning to get manufactured W. very warm about the warmest day this season

17 Commenced to sow turnips west of lane Then set Anthony at sowing & I went to help Flavius to raise up his barn to put new foundation under it Finished sowing turnips this evening W. very warm

18 Put big roller over turnips & potatoes. Sowed knoll behind back garden in barley field with turnips after had large feed corn on it and missed W. very warm

June 1868 July

June 19 1868 Worked on road in Markham W. not so warm as yesterday

20 Finished roads W. fine & Cool. attended letting of Job of Cutting down hill at Craigies W. fine Cool

21 Sunday Went to Meeting at Cedar Grove Remarks by Br C Sermon on St Luke 14 by Rev J Wideman. Went to Flavius PM. W fine Cool. Clear

22 Commenced to draw dung. I went eel fishing tonight at Br S's with J Davis W came for me about 9 o'clock to go to Hoover's Samuel Stover died this evening I went & staid till Morning W. fine Clear

23 went to W Clod's & Fugard's to tell them about Samuel's death AM Chored PM & brought Nancy home from Br S's she was there sewing W. warm Clear

24 Was at Hoover's last night Chored AM Helped to dig Samuel's grave PM W. fine Shower last night Clear today

25 Went to funeral of Samuel Stover Sermon on 1st Peter 1st Chap 23-24 & 25 V by H Barkey Br C & John Stakley in the English language Samuel Hoover's from Altona were here for dinner, JB's were with Mother W. fine Clear

26 all went with team & put in Scarboro road work W. fine Clear. Went eel fishing tonight. got nothing

27 Drew dung AM Went to Whitevale Cheese factory Meeting PM To appoint a Committee of 5 Patrons to Manage the business of this Season Viz. Mr's J White Smon Reesor Jesse Reesor Mr Major & M{illegible} Fretz. W. fine Clear

Sunday 28 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Rev H Barkey sermon on {blank space} by Br C JD's & H Barkeys were here W. warm Clear

29 We all went to Finlaws W. very warm Clear

30 Made better fence through Clover behind barn W. warm

July 1, 1868 I cut part of Clover behind barn W very warm about the warmest day this summer

2 Finished Cutting Clover. W. very warm thunder n{illegible - page folded}

3 turned hay AM. Commenced to rake & cock PM shower {about} {page folded} o'clock. tried steel took wheel horse rake goes pretty well

July 1868

July 4 raked & Cocked hay W. Very Warm close

Sunday 5 Went to Meeting at Wideman's remarks by Rev H Barkey Sermon on {blank space} by Rev J Wideman Went to JB's for dinner & to JD's for Supper W. Cooler

6 Finished raking & Cocking meadow behind barn & drew in 8 loads W. Cooler Clear J H Ramers were here at supper

7 I & Nancy Went to Markham to get things for Funeral Brother Christian's wife Esther died this morning about 8 o'clock. W fine shower this morning heavy thunder very warm today

8 Was at Br Cs & g went to see Flavius & Cober to help RW & M Dyke to dig grave Took Nancy to Br S's to sew PM. W. pretty warm

9 Went to funeral of B Christians Wife Remarks by R Jos Barkey Sermon on 2nd Crinthians 5 C 1st & 2nd V a great many People there. Plowed potatoes after supper W. pretty warm

10 I & W. helped Br C stack a field of hay with team W. pretty warm, Clear Anthony hoed turnips

11 Finished drawing in hay behind barn 7 loads I went to Whitevale with Br N after supper he brought 50 {gals?} Whey for me W. very warm

Saturday 12 at home all day. Br S's were here W. warm

13 hoed turnips. Anthony raked over Meadow behind barn after supper W. very warm

14 I mowed in big Meadow. lost nuts off pitman after dinner had to go to shop. Anthony finished turnips behind Cider house W. mowed fence corners & swale in Meadow W. very warm. hot

15 I mowed. boys scuffled & hoed turnip on knoll behind back garden W. very warm

16 I finished Mowing W. Cocked A. raked & hoed turnips at Br Cs awhile Pm. W Cooler

17 A Finished raking Meadow except little Swale I & W drew in 5 loads I & Nancy went to Dr after {supper} Nancy is not well boys drew in 3 loads after {supper} W. very warm

{18 corner folded} drew in 23 loads. Flavius boys helped W. very warm

July 1868 Aug

Sunday July 19 Went to Meeting at Cedar Grove Remarks & Sermon on St Luke 19 C 1st to 26 V by Rev H Barkey Went to John Stovers at Sparta after Service. W very warm sultry, dry

20 All helped Br. C Cut barley W. pretty warm

21 Finished drawing in hay 7 loads boys cut road round barley after supper I went to Cedar Grove this is my son Levi's 8th birthday. pretty warm

22 Cut barley in Wheat field & part back of garden Br C & his two men helped. W Clear pretty warm

23 I & Br C cut barley W helped at Br Cs. Sickle bar broke twice. W. fine Clear Cooler

24 I & Br C Finished Cutting barley AM Coked all up PM. W. very warm AM Cooler PM we have had very hot weather a great many cases of sun stroke through the Country

25 Cut roads round Wheat AM. Cut some with machine PM. W. pretty warm

Sunday 26 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Br C Sermon on St Mat 15 C 21 V to end of C by Rev H Barkey. JH Ramers were here for dinner JB's at supper. I & Nancy went to ABs awhile after supper. W. Cooler

27 Cut Wheat Sickle bar broke again. W. pretty Cool

28 Cut Wheat finished Midge Proof W. pretty warm

29 Drew in 10 loads Wheat all Midge proof. W. fine

30 Finished Cutting Wheat. Mediterranean. W. pretty warm I & Nancy went to Dr. Mc after supper

31 Drew in barley with 2 teams. got in field back of garden except 2 loads. W. a few drops of rain this morning a few slight showers PM not enough to stop us long

August 1 I went to B.SS boys shocked Wheat that was Cut on thursday Anthony took grist old wheat to Major Mills after supper & I & W took his Colt to JB's to pasture after supper W. a little rain last night fine shower today at noon

Sunday 2 Went to Jesse Reesor's this PM W. fine Cool

3 Finished drawing in barley 2 teams about 20 loads W. fine Cool(er) {page corner folded}

Aug 1868 August 4 Drew in 9 loads Meditteranean Wheat W. fine

5 Finished drawing wheat 3 loads AM. W. plowed. A raked stubble & I helped Br S pull peas PM. W. Clear

6. I helped Br. S. AM. A finished raking stubble drew in Wheat rakings PM. W. fine Clear

7 drew in barley rakings AM Cut spring wheat PM. W fine. looks like rain tonight

8 I went to Major Mills for Grist & helped boys bind rest of Spring Wheat AM. Pulled 5 acres peas behind Cider house with A McCreights rake till supper Shocked Spring Wheat after supper W. slight shower last night. raining a little this evening

Sunday 9 I went to Meeting in Vaughn with Br C remarks & sermon on St John 14 C by Br C Went to Abraham Smiths after Service. W. fine Cool some Cloudy

10 Pulled peas in NW Corner field AM I & Nancy went to Markham PM. W. Cool

11 I went to BSS AM. Went to Cheese factory for Whey with Br N & cradled road round Oats in big field PM. boys helped Br C thresh. W. Cool.

12 Cut Oats 6 acres in big field Br N drove boys helped Br C finish threshing until 3 PM. W. Cool windy.

13 Bound Oats W. Cool Windy Sam Neighswanders were here at noon.

14 I & A helped CB thresh W. plowed W. a little showery

15 All helped Br S thresh Br C plowed with our team W. helped thresh in his place. W. Cool a little showery

Sunday 16 at home all day. W. fine Cool

17 W finished plowing fallow AM. I & A bound Oats. Drew in Spring Wheat 4 loads PM. W. Cool Clear

18 I & W Cleaned out Mow & drew in 1 load peas AM hoed turnips PM A helped Hoover's thresh W. Showry PM

19 I took yarn to Carnage's the Weaver & boys hoed turnips AM I & W drew in 5 loads peas from about 3 PM A bound & shocked Oats W. Cool windy

20 Boys bound Oats I went to W Morrisons to see W Burkholder about threshing AM drew 1 load peas PM W. Clear AM heavy shower PM I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM {page corner folded} boys drew dung on heap behind barn

Aug 1868

August 21 I & Nancy went to Dr Mc & to JH Ramers AM boys Shocked oats & drew dung. Drew in 5 loads peas PM W. Clear pretty warm

22 Finished drawing in Peas 5 loads Greig the Tailor finished binding Oats in big field AM I & W Cut oats in NW corner field with Cradles too short & ground to rough for Machine Greig & Anthony bound. W. pretty warm Clear

Sunday 23 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Rev H Barkey on {blank space} by Br C Visitors after Service Finlaws AB's & S Lehman's. J Stover's & Uncl D Burkholders for supper Uncle D's staid over night W. fine Clear

24 I chored AM Helped W finish Cutting oats PM Went to BSS after supper W. Clear

25 Chored AM Helped W draw dung on heap back of barn A Coked Oats W. warm clear

26 I & Nancy went to Simon Hoover's & awhile to JB's W. Warm Clear. dry.

27 Both plowed in barley stubble in field near Hoovers Br C helped AM W. fine Clear

28 All helped Br C thresh AM had Machine PM threshed 132 bus barley W. pretty warm

29 Had Machine threshed 190 bus barley 42 bus spring Wheat & 60 bus fall Wheat W. warm

Sunday 30 All went to AB's W. fine Clear warm

31 I & W drew in 1 load loose Oats AM. rained a fine Shower I & Nancy went to Whitevale Cheese factory for a large cheese PM were at Peter Hoovers for supper very heavy thunder storm about 6 PM Anthony Helped Br N thresh

September 1 I helped Br N thresh A harrowed fallow W finished barley stubble & harrowed it once I chored PM went Coon hunting with Simon & John Hoover this evening killed 2 skunks W. fine

2 W struck out fallow. W. fine Clear

3 I & Nancy went to Mc's AM boys drew in 3 loads Oats I & A drew in 4 PM W. ridged up W. fine

Sept 1868

Sept 4 didnt do Much AM ridged up PM Br C helped W. Shower last night fine clear today

5 Rided up AM Br C helped W finished fallow PM Struck out in barley stubble PM I & A finished drawing in Oats 3 loads. W. fine Clear

Sunday 6 At home D Hoovers & CB's were here W fine Commenced to rain about 3 PM showery till night Commenced raining heavy about 7 oclock raining heavy yet

7 Cleaned 8 bus seed Soules Wheat at Br C's & 4 bus Treadwell Wheat at J Cober's AM Sowed the Soules in fallow PM. W. fine rain last night Clear today

8 I shot 3 Pidgeons at Br C's new land stubble this morning then sowed & Plowed in some Treadwell wheat in barley stubble W. fine Clear

9 Finished Plowing in & sowing barley stubble Br C helped AM Anthony plowed I didnt feel well had bowel complaint W. heavy rain last night Clear today

10 Thanksgiving day. Went shooting a while got 1 Pidgeon Went to CB's PM. W. Cloudy rain PM

11 I sowed furrows in barley ground & A harrowed AM drew a load of Edgings PM W. went to W Burkholder's Plowing bee W. warm Clear

12 W. furrowed out wheat & I & A Cleaned barley AM I & W drew 2 loads wheat to Whitevale for Br N PM W. very warm Close Wheat 81.23

Sunday 13 at home AM Went to Christian Stovers on a visit PM. W. fine Cool Clear

14 I helped Br C log AM I & A drew Duncan's hay PM W made a swail in NW Corner field W was sick W. fine clear cool

15 I took 43 bus barley to F.Mans bay @ 95cts per bus it was as high a \$1.10 cts in Toronto early in the season Cleaned some more PM. W. warm

16 I, W. & Br N took 3 loads barley to FMan's bay for me about 130 bus @ 96cts per bus W. Cold NW wind heavy shower last night

Sept 1868

Sept 17 I & W took 87 bus 8 lbs barley to bay @ \$1.00 per bus W. Cool. Sharp frost last night

18 Took 22 bus 10 lbs barley to FMans bay @ 98 cts per bus brought home 1/2 ton Bran from Whitevale @ \$12.00 per ton W. Cool Clear

19 Went to Cober's & Flavius AM Chored & went to BSS PM W helped W Lapp thresh yesterday & him & Anthony helped today W. fine Clear shower tonight

Sunday 20 Went to Meeting at Hebron Sacrement appropriate texts & remarks by Rev H Barkey & Br C Visitors John & Jesse Hoover James Duncan was here W. rained nearly all last night & this morning till about 9 oclock Cool windy

21 Went to JD's on a visit took rifle along Shot a large Crane in McNeely's old dam on Pickering townline went out with JD shot a few squirrels W. fine Clear

22 I & W Commenced to plow in wheat stubble Anthony Plowed with our team PM W. fine Clear

23 Went to Br's S & N's with My Mother went fishing PM Caught large lake sucker with hook & line & a lot of chub bit well W. Cloudy AM. fine Clear beautiful PM. boys plowed

24 I & Nancy went to Markham AM Put in a lot of Posts above Townline in holes that were dug last year Br N helped PM. W. fine Clear Cool

25 Chored Plowed awhile. I & W went to BSS this evening W. Cloudy Cool

26 Boys Plowed AM I Partly made a gate I & W drew in Corn & some wood Anthony went home PM Old Mr Fugord is dead W. fine Clear

Sunday 27 Went to Meeting at Wideman's Appropriate remarks & Sermon's by Br C Rev H Barkey & J Wideman for the Celebration of the Lords Supper Went to Finlaw's after Service & Called at JH Ramer's PM he is very Sick again W. rain AM Cloudy PM. This is my 32nd Birthday

28 Drew 3 loads Shingle bolts to Pilkey's & went to Cheese meeting tonight W. Cool Clear

29 Drew 4 loads bolds W. fine Cool

30 Chored Cleaned grist of Chop & took it to Cedar Grove Mills. W. Cool cloudy

Oct 1868

Oct 1 1868 I & W Made a little more than 2 lbs {barrels?} Cider at Jonas Raymer's Nancy went along to JH Ramer's W pretty cold Clear hard frost last night ground froze a little

2 Boiled Sauce I drew some bolts & brought home chop AM W. plowed in N West field A helped PM. W. fine warm. Clear

3 Plowed awhile AM Fixed Bridge near Craigie's James Milroy helped W. fine Clear

Sunday 4 Went to Br S's W. fine Clear white frost

5 Drew a load of bolts AM Went to M Dyke's plowing bee PM W. Cloudy. mild

6 Made 130 gals Cider at Ramers JB came & took some apples & got 44 gals Cider W. fine Clear

7 I & W finished plowing knoll in NW field A plowed while Fetched a load of slabs this evening W. Cloudy & clear

8 I boiled Sauce boys went to Markham Fair. W. Cold wind

9 Threshed & Cleaned peas & Took about 26 bus Mixed rye & Peas to Cedar Grove Mills Anthony harrowed Pea ground behind Cider house W. Cool clear

10 I & Nancy went to Dr Mc for Br C he has got a Carbuncle on his lip Then went to Dr Musselman Nancy got 6 teeth extracted W. Clear Anna Hoover widow of Samuel Stover fell Dead today at noon W Clear Cool wind

Sunday 11 Went to Dr Mc to tell him that Br C's lip is improving AM Went to Hoover's a few times PM. {illegible} M Bowman & wife Deacon {Eschleman?} & wife are here tonight from Wilmot County of Waterloo W. fine Clear

12 Went to Funeral of Anna Stover Sermon on Rev {Revelations} 14C 13 v by Rev A Weber from Waterloo & Sinclair Holder {or Holden} w. fine Clear helped to dig grave AM Rev A Weber & wife are here all night

13 Took Rev A Weber & wife to Port Union AM Went to TH Hall's Sale PM W. fine clear AM {Clear?} PM

14 I went to BS. and Chored Boys drew dung AM I & W drew shingle bolts PM W. fine Clear

15 drew dung with 2 teams. W beautiful Clear

16 {Finished?} dung in west end of big field I went to Cedar Grove PM W clear Oct 1868

Oct 17/68 Boys dug potatoes I killed a sheep AM went to weaver at Carnegies in Pickering PM W. Cold very Cold wind hard frost last night asked hands to thresh on Monday

Sunday 18 Went to Meeting at Hebron Remarks by Rev H Barkey Sermon on {blank space} by Rev C Gehman from near Cayuga JDs were here after Service W. hard frost last night clear today

19 Had threshing Machine threshed 91 bus Oats & 30 bus wheat in new barn & 30 bus wheat in old barn W. Cloudy mild

20 Finished threshing 60 bus wheat & 18 bus barley in old barn AM I brought 500 tiles from Pettys & boys carried ~~illegible straw?~~ straw in Sheds. Stack fell down in middle of yard PM W. Cloudy Mild

21 Threshed Peas AM I & A Brought a load of edgings PM W Brought home his Cold from JB's PM W soft snow & rainy all day

22 Chored W Took grist 10 bus to Whitevale AM & Brought it home PM I went to P Lapps Sale PM. W. Cold ground white with snow this morning look like winter

23 I & My Mother went to JDs boys spread dung & W plowed PM in west end of big field W. snow about all away getting milder

24 I & W plowed AM dug potatoes PM I Took Nancy to W Burkholder's this evening to get Operated on to Cure liver complaint W. Cold this morning mild today

Sunday 25 Went to W Burkholder's. AB's were there W. rainy all day roads muddy heavy

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Oct 26 Finished digging potatoes I went to WB's W fine clear

27 Picked apples Br C gathered some into our cellar W brought 500 tiles. J Jarvis is putting in a lot in pea stubble behind Cider house W. fine Clear

28 I & Nancy went to Markham & I went to Unionville with road list A picked apples W pulled Carrots W. Cold North wind Clear roads pretty good Deacon Daniel Hoover Died last night of Typhoid fever funeral tomorrow at Wideman's

29 I & Isaac Davis Cleaned out well at door AM boys pulled turnips I helped CB's Pull Carrots & killed a pig & boys pulled our Carrots PM. W fine Clear

30 I & Nancy went to W Burkholders & Picked Apples AM I & boys went to D Hammonds Sale PM. I & Nancy went to WB's this evening W. Cold E Wind

31 Chored boys threshed peas & cut wood W rain from east heavy all day I & Nancy Went to M Dyke's this evening

Novr 1 Sunday Went to W Burkholders Staid awhile. W. Cold blustery windy

2 Pulled turnips I & W drew in Carrots PM 2 loads I helped Jarvis measure the drains he lay for me in field behind Cider house 79 rods W. fine Clear

3 I made about 75 gals Cider at Raymer's boys drew in 12 loads turnips W fine Clear had small {illegible} bee tonight

4 I boiled Sauce. boys helped Flavius to thresh W fine clear beautiful Commenced to rain from east at 4 PM raining hard this evening had to quit boiling after supper

Nov 1868

Nov 5 finished Sauce AM W drew 3 loads turnips A helped Flavius thresh AM. boys pulled turnips I took 15 bu chop to Cedar Grove Mills PM. W. Cloudy. windy

6 Finished pulling turnips W. fine Cool

7 Finished drawing turnips W. Cold. frost last night east wind PM. Some snow from east tonight Had 37 loads or about 1100 bus altogether

Sunday 8 Went to Br N's. W. rain last night and today until nearly noon Cloudy all day warm

9 Chored & boys Chopped wood AM. Anthony went away to go to Toronto & I & W. plowed in Oat stubble PM W. rained all AM. drizzly Cloudy PM

10 W plowed. I Chored. W. heavy rain last night. Cloudy drizzly all day. getting wet. Creek running.

11 W plowed. I & Nancy went to WB's AM I & A Plowed in drains PM. W. Cloudy & clear

12 I went to Jonas Raymer's with about 9 bus apples left them to get Made into Cider Isabel went with me to Village I & Nancy went to WB's this evening W. hard frost last night Cold air today Clear

13 I & Br C nailed on bottom boards on posts as far as corner of bush on Markham side of townline AM I & little boys nailed on boards PM I & Nancy went to WB's this evening W. fine like Indian Summer

14 I & little boys finished nailing on boards & I Chored W. beautiful Clear warm Anthony Plowed in pea ground behind Cider house second time W finished Oat Stubble & Commenced to help Anthony

Nov 1868

Sunday Nov 15 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Br C Sermon on St John 1st C by Rev H Barkey Visitors after Service Br S & family Uncle Sam's Finlaws W Mild rather Cloudy

16 W drew home wood I Chored Anthony Chopped W Strong wind, cold

17 I helped W Lapp Cut Meat & Make Sausages boys cut wood in Shed. W. heavy rain from east all day

18 I & W drew a load of bolts & brought home a load of edgings AM W chopped wood in bush & I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM Anthony Picked stones off Meadow W mild clear

19 I drew a load of Cheese from Whitevale factory to Dunbarton. boys chopped wood in bush W Cloudy AM Clear PM

20 Killed Pigs. {slash mark? 7?} W. slight storm of snow this morning fine mild today. boys plowed.

21 I {salted?} Meat didn't feel well boys plowed W. {illegible} some squalls of snow thawing as it falls

Sunday 22 at Home all day W. Cold {illegible wintry?}

23 Covered potatoe pit & I took 5 bus wheat to Cedar Grove Mills for {D?} Spence @ \$1.00 AM boys Plowed & I chored PM W. hard frost AM fine warm clear PM

24 I Took Adeline to Dr Mc she has sore {illegible throat?} Boys plowed PM W. frost this morning fine like Indian summer

25 Boys finished field behind Cider house & plowed spot below garden where Corn & Carrots were & Commenced {ribbing?} in barley stubble field W east wind. rain this evening

26 I helped Flavius Butcher boys chopped wood W went to raising at Br S's PM W. rain this morning. Clear today

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Nov 27 I & Nancy helped AB's butcher W. fine {page torn}

28 I helped JD's Butcher W. Clear AM Some {page torn}

Sunday 29 at home Br N's & CB's were here. W {mild? page torn} a few inches snow towards night. rather soft

30 helped Br N Butcher. W. about 4 in snow last night a little snow today. looks like winter rather cold

Decr 1 Helped Br S Butcher W. pretty Cold a little snowy

2 Chored. W. pretty cold

3 Helped Br C Butcher W pretty cold AM Milder PM

4 I didn't do much have a lame wrist W. Cold East wind. snowing from east tonight W drew wood today

5 Chored W went for Dr Mc Br Cs little boy is sick. then we cut some Oat Sheaves with straw cutter PM W about six inches snow last night & AM tolerable sleighing W mild

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{Sunday} 6 at home all day Flavius were here {W mild?} rough sleighing

7 Chored I & little boys cut some sheaves W some snow from east PM mild

8 I & Nancy went to S Lehman's W. pretty Cold I went to Uncle D Burkholders to see if Susan could come to work for My Mother. Lizzy is poorly

9 All went to Finlaw's W. heavy wind from north sleighing good W. Calmer this evening some milder Mrs Coxworth died this morning

10 Chored Uncle Joe & his daughter were at Mother's awhile W. pretty cold

11 Went to Funeral at Coxworth's AM W. very cold last night

12 Chored. I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM. W. Milder

13 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Rev H Barkey Sermon on {blank space} by Br C

Dec 1868 1869 Jan

Sunday 13 Dec Continued JH Ramer's were here when we came home W. fine Clear Milder

14 I went to Belford & to Whitevale brought home a large Cheese from factory W. Mild a little snow during the day

15 I & little boys drew 2 loads of edgings W. softer fine

16 Took Isabel Duncan home AM Went to Br S's to help him to thresh PM Machine did not come W. rather milder Clear

17 helped Br S's thresh W Soft Cloudy

18 helped Br S finish threshing W. Cold windy

19 I went to Dr Mc Lissy is worse. W. very cold

20 Sunday 20 at home all day Br. S's youngsters were here W. mild thawing

21 Chored & went to Cedar Grove. W. Mild sleighing bad

22 Chored I & Nancy went to Whitevale PM W. mild a little snow. sleighing rough & thin

23 I went to Flavius to see WM & Anthony Stover AM Went to Cedar Grove PM. & cut some axe handle timber PM. W. very cold windy

24 Chored W. very very Cold. Coldest day this season

Christmas day 25 At home I went to Cedar Grove PM Nancy & children went with me as far as Br C's W. very Cold west wind Milder to night

26 Chored W pretty Cold. Cloudy a little snow last night

Sunday 27 at home all day W Mild a little light snow

28 Went to Cedar Grove AM JD's were at Mothers PM. W. Clear

29 Helped Br C kill a beef AM & Br N's PM W Mild a little snow last night Sleighing pretty good

30 Chored W. Mild foggy this morning

31 had RW to help to cut sheaves AM I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM I didn't feel well today W. pretty Cold

Jan 1st 1869 at home JB's were here eating goose W. Mild some snow from east about quit this evening

2 had RW to cut sheaves AM & Clean wheat in old barn PM. W snowed some all day from East Mild

Sunday 3 Went to Meeting at Cedar Grove remarks by Br C Sermon on St Mat 2nd C by R H Barkey AB's were here PM W. good sleighing soft this evening

Jan 1869

Jan 4 Helped Flavius kill a cow AM Chored PM All went to Br Ss this evening W. thawing sleighing thin

5 RW helped Finish Cleaning wheat in old barn AM Chored PM W. thawing. rather Cold windy tonight

6 didn't do much Caught Cold W. rather windy

7 Went to shoemaker's below J Bears AM helped Flavius saw wood with machine PM S Burkholders were here at noon W. fine Clear thawing

8 helped Flavius saw AM went to shoemaker's PM. W sleighing about gone snow from East tonight

9 Chored & brought home sow from illegible Creights tonight W. rain last night & some today. sleighing gone

Sunday 10 Went to Meeting at Heborn remarks by Rev H Barkey Sermon on St John 1st C by Br C. J G Reesor & wife were here after Service W. fine Clear like March

11 Chored & Cleaned out Middle Stable W Mild. Clear

12 Went to Cedar Grove AM. Chored PM W. rather Colder AM. Clear Mild PM

13 Chored AM I & Nancy went to AB's awhile PM I tried to get Mare shod. Couldnt. Shop was full W. Clear fine

14 Got mare shod AM. Chored PM all went to Br Cs tonight W. Clear

15 Chored AM Cow Choked on turnip Went for CB. was not at home. brought Flavius. When we got home she had it swallowed I & Levi got horse. Cent shod & went to Weaver PM W. fine roads pretty good

16 Drew 3 loads wood AM. Went to Markham & Nancy went as far as her Grandfather's PM W. like April roads fine & level

Sunday 17 Went to Meeting at Cobers to Flavius for dinner W. pretty Cold Clear

18 Chored AM Oiled buggy harness PM. W pretty Cold

19 Chored Br inlaw Simon Hoovers were here W Clear

20 Went to Dr MC for Lissy AM Killed Cow PM Br N. & C & Flavius helped. JH Ramer's are here for tonight W. Colder pretty windy PM

21 At home Chris Stover's & {Ulmy?} & {Teeny} were here PM & this evening. W. pretty cold windy

22 Helped Flavius cut sheaves with Cutting Box & {horse power?} W. very cold Flavius froze his fingers.

Jan Feb 1869

23 Went to Old A Burkholders to see about hiring a girl she is coming 1st Feb Chored PM JB's were here awhile PM W. Milder

Sunday 24 Started to go to Meeting at Altona got late went to MN's {seen?} young son few days old. Smart. W. fine Cloudy Mild Colder tonight

25 Chored AM Took 10 bus grist to Whitevale PM W. Stinging Cold. Clear. roads like {Jan?}

26 Brought home grist AM Chored PM. W. Cold Cloudy

27 Had Br S to help fix Cow Manger JD's were here awhile PM W. Mild. Cloudy

28 Chored & went to Cedar Grove Finlaws were here W Mild

29 Went for Dr to get some Medicine for Levi this morning at 4. Had RW to help to cut down stack AM Drew some wood & Chored PM W like April

30 Chored AM Went to Cedar Grove PM little Herman is sick W. rainy AM a little flurry of snow PM

Sunday 31 RW went for Dr this Morning early baby is worse. Dr Came to see him W. Cold west wind

Feb 1 Went to Old AB's for Margaret to Commence to work AM Chored JD's were here PM W Chilly Simon Hoover was here this Morning to say that M N's baby was dead & heard that Jacob Raymer was dead. son. of Old Abraham Raymer

Candlemas day 2 Went to Funeral of MN's Child Took Adeline & Levi with me Nancy couldn't go on account of baby W. Cold east wind. Cloudy all day. Sermon on {blank space} by Rev H Barkey

3 Chored AM asked a few hands to Chop on Friday PM W. Snowed last night & AM about 6 inches snow fell. W. Mild

4 Chored & went to Cedar Grove PM W very Cold. N or West wind

5 had small Chopping bee I & Nancy went to Markham PM to get some Medicine for Lissy W. very Cold last night & AM strong north wind. mild PM & tonight

6 Drew wood AM Chored PM. W. Milder

Sunday 7 All went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Br C Sermon on St Mat 5 C by Rev H Barkey All went to Br N's tonight W. Mild. fine. Clear

Feb 1869

Feb 8 all went to AB's W. soft snow AM. Mild PM

9 went to JB's. W. Mild Cloudy. trees covered with frost this morning

10 At home Ulrick & Teany were here last night & AM. Went to Br Cs with them PM. I went to John McCreights with Ulry AM. W. Mild thawing

11 Chored took My Mother to Br C's All went to CB tonight Patrick James Whelan, Executed at Ottawa today for the Murder of Thos D'Arcy McGee. W. fine. sleighing just gone. thawed very fast today

12 Chored. W. like April. roads muddy & black

13 Hodgins put a new pump in back well AM Helped RW. Clean Peas PM W. Cloudy a little rain AM raining this evening. Mild

Sunday 14 At home all day. W. East storm. sleet & rain all day

15 Asked all Brothers to draw sawlogs. Drew 9 this PM W. Mild. Soft snow at noon. roads slushy, soft

16 drew 3 logs. W. Colder. roads hard. pretty good

17 drew load of wood to F man's bay for Br N AM Chored & drew home kindlings PM W. Some soft snow roads {pretty?} though {tough?} thawing

18 Took Margaret home AM. She has sore throat. I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM W. Cold

19 Helped RW Clean some Oats AM Chored PM. W Strong wind from north. few inches snow last night. drifting today

20 Drew 2 sawlogs AM some wood PM W Clear

Sunday 21 at home all day Br C & family were here Br N's PM. W. snow nearly all day about 6 inches fell, mild. Calm

22 Chored. went to store & brought Mary Dyke to sew PM. W. Clear sharp. roads good

23 Chored & Oiled Harness W. Som of snow about a foot deep now

24 brought Mary Dyke to wash. W. fine Clear I & RW Cleaned 69 bus Oats he is threshing them

25 Chored. Isaac Shank was buried at Hebron today he died on Monday night of smallpox the most of Jacob Shank's family here got them they have also broken out in Peter Brook's family. Shanks got them in Montreal

Feb Mar 1869

Feb 26 Helped RW Clean 35 bus Oats. AB's were here Flavius tonight. W snow last night & today. soft

27 Went to Cedar Grove Mills with 4 bus Chop AM Chored PM W very Cold. heavy north wind a little snow last night. drifting today

Sunday 28. at home all day. W. Calm. pretty Cold

March 1. Chored. drew wood went to Br Ss PM. W. Mild. sleighing good

2 Helped Br C thresh W. Mild

3 Helped CB thresh with team W. warm thawing Nancy went to AB's quilting JDs were here at Mother's

4 I brought Mary Dyke to wash. I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM W. very. Cold. Strong NW wind Old A Burkholder's brought Margaret this evening

5 Chored. I went for Dr. last night at 11^{oc} got back at 2 this morning AB's stayed till I came back Mother has a carbuncle on her back {Dr?} Came this morning & lanced it W. Milder

6 Had RW AM to help get home some wood I shoveled snow at Meeting house PM W Cold very windy PM

Sunday 7 I & little girls & Margaret went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Rev H Barkey Sermon on {blank space} by Br C. Uncl Joe's were here after Service Br. S's & Uncle Sam's youngsters with David Lehman from Lancaster, Penn. PM. W. Milder

8 Chored. Went to Cedar Grove PM My son Levi is pretty sick with. Congestion of the brain. W. Mild

9 Brought Martha Shank from Cober's to wait on Mother AM Took home Mary Dyke PM Levi is worse. & Nancy has sore throat. W. warm thawing.

10 I & W Cleaned barley & some wheat AM I waited on Levi. PM. he is no better W. N or East snow storm drifting about six inches fell. W. Mild.

11 In the house. Levi is no better W went breaking roads & drew wood. I have hired him again for 8 months at \$15.00 per month Commencing March 8th/69

12 Helped W. saw a little pine for oven wood this morning Levi no better W fine mild. S Lehman's & Finlaws were here today W. fine clear

Mar 1869

March 13 In the house. Levi no better. W Clear

Sunday 14 at home Levi worse sent for CB's they came J Cober's & Old AB's were here Levi better PM W. rather windy AM Mild

15 W took 35 bus 9 lbs Peas to F Mans bay @ 75 cts. per bus AM. he took 10 bus grist to Whitevale PM I went to Cedar Grove AM Waited on Levi PM. no better Br inlaw S Hoover's Jacob Reesors & John Stovers were here W. fine Sleighing very good

16 Waited on Levi. Mannase Frets' were here ~~W~~. M Neighswander Came here to stay all night. W. pretty Cold

17 Waited on Levi. Simeon Hoover's Came to stay all night Levi no better. W. very Cold

18 Levi worse. quite deranged at times. Finlaw's & AB's are here for tonight W. milder

19 Waited on Levi. no better Friends in and out ~~20~~ Levi got very low about 5 O'clock this PM

20 Levi lying in {blank space} all day. W. thawing

Sunday 21 Levi rallied this AM. Took worse at noon went into Convulsions at intervals of about 30 minutes this PM. Gods will be done. W. pretty Cold.

22 Levi very low. Death seems to be approaching.

23 Dear Levi! died this Morning at 30 min past Six!

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25 Buried My Son at Hebron Rvd Barkey preached Sermon on St Mat 18 C 1st 4 Verses. very fine day. Clear

Good Friday 26 All went to C's W. rainy all day

27 I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove AM I brought home sap buckets from Flavius this evening to use this Season W cut & drew out a lot of drags for fire wood in Scarboro fallow. W very warm snow going fast

Sunday 28 All went to Meeting at Cedar Grove Remarks by Rev H Barkey Sermon on St Mark 16 C by B. C Went to Br S's after Service. W. thawing

Easter Monday I took Martha Shank to Saml. Shank's this morning & brought her this evening W raining all day

30 W. drew home logs PM I & Nancy went to Br C awhile W. drizzly Cloudy water very high

Mar 1869

March 31 1869. I done nothing have boil on nose & sore face W drew home logs W. mild

April 1 sore face W. drew home some wood & took Cent {or Curt?} to shop PM. W. Mild

2 I & W. Cleaned wheat I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM. W. a little snow last night all thawed today. roads very muddy. Ordered a harpoon horse fork with Raymer's agent today. Price \$8.00.

3 I & W Cut Sheaves AM Diller was here at noon he took Cutting Box to Br. S's on his way home I went with him. PM. W Cut wood. W Cold froze hard

Sunday 4 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks & sermon on St. Mat 5C by Br C Br Ns were here after Service W. Cold Cloudy

5 I & W Sawed of tops of posts along Scarboro townline fence awhile this morning then W went to his fathers Chopping bee W. Cold North wind

6 I tapped 40 spiles in Markham bush sap flowed fine W. west wind Mild W helped Br. N at Sawing Machine

7 I boiled Sugar. W. helped Br N split wood W mild clear

8 I & Flavius went to Pattersons Factory with his reaper. W. pretty Cold in the Morning

9 I Boiled Sugar W drew out wood. W fine C{lear?} sap ran well

10 I Boiled Sugar W. fine Clear Sap ran well we have made 42 lbs of Sugar & a crock of molasses Since Tuesday out of 40 Spiles & 16 put in yesterday

Sunday 11 All went to Meeting at Widemans to Finlaws after service remarks by Br C Sermon on {blank space} by Rev H Barkey Called a few minutes at JH Ramers Coming home to see young son W. fine Clear roads pretty dry

12 I Boiled Sap. W drew out limbs PM. W. Mild not much Sap today

13 I & Nancy Sugared of 30 lbs sugar AM W helped to Move JDs on their Old place in Scarboro. I & Nancy went down PM. W. fine Clear warm. Sideroads down to JD's very bad Picking {Pickering} townline & Markham Concession Pretty good

April 1869

April 14 Went to Simon Hoover's for dinner & to H Barkeys for supper. W. fine Clear beautiful

15 I boiled 15 lbs sugar W. finished drawing out wood. W. Clear

16 I & W sawed summer wood out of drags that he drew into lane & into Orchard AM helped Br C log up some Oak logs awhile PM & I went to Cedar Grove PM. W. Warm. Clear

17 I boiled Molasses AM. W picked in Scarboro fallow. sawed wood awhile PM. W. Warm AM. a little showry PM

Sunday 18 started to go to J Stover's met Br S's Coming here. turned again. W heavy rain last night, warm today, roads muddy

19 Finished sawing logs & opened drain from barnyard into Orchard. W. very heavy rain last night. high water today. warm. foggy this evening

20 Split wood & chored W. heavy rain, muddy. high water

21 W went to BSS this morning then we finished splitting wood W. Cloudy, Cold wind PM

22 I boiled molasses W. Chopped in bush. W. Cool

23 I & My Mother went to Br S's & N's W. Cool east wind

24 Took My Mother to JD's then went to BSS brought Mother home this evening & Cut some grape at Flavius W. Cool. Clear windy tonight

Sunday 25 at home tending on sick Cow W. fine Clear

26 Helped JD Clean some barley that he had stored in our Granry AM Put on 35 grafts PM Went to see Old WM about some seed barley this evening. W warm clear

27 I & Nancy went to Markham & to JB's he is not well. W plowed piece below garden I sowed it with 2 bus Oats after we came home W. Clear thunder shower's went round this evening

28 W harrowed ribbed ground back of garden & I fetched 8 bus seed barley at WM's AM both plowed PM went fishing at Br Ss with Isaac & W Clod this evening Caught 15 about 1000 were caught there on Monday & a great many since

1869

April 29 both plowed W. Cool. Clear

30 I gang plowed in field behind Cider house & W plowed in field near Hoover's AM I plowed & W ganged PM. W. fine Cool Clear. P Wideman put up a Headstone for My Dear Son Levi that is the last that we can do for our dear boy

May 1 I plowed & W ganged AM Chored PM W Cool East Wind AM rain PM

Sunday 2 We all went to Meeting at Hebron appropriate remarks & Sermon by Rev H Barkey & Br C Lords Supper was Celebrated W. rainy from East AM. pretty Clear PM

3 I W & Isaac went fishing to Br S's after midnight staid till daylight Caught 2 suckers W ganged AM plowed PM I took home {illegible} utensils AM Took home Flavius gang & Cultivated a little in field behind Cider house PM. W. very Cold north wind frose last night

{4} I plowed & sowed knoll back of garden with spring wheat W. plowed near Hoover's W. Cold north wind Whitevale planing Mills burnt last night

5 I went to Markham for 22 apple trees ordered with D Reesor Junr AM took in potatoe pit PM W plowed W. fine some east wind

Ascension day 6 Went to Br Ns. W fine Clear Over 200 suckers Caught in bush below S's mill today brought 36 off Bill Clod @ 25 cts per doz

7 Was called up about 1 oclock this morning by MN Simon Hoover & John Neighswander to go fishing at Br S's Caught 6 Came home at 6 AM Sowed field behind Cider house with barley & spring wheat Jim Morrison harrowed for Me W finished plowing near Hoover's except one headland W. fine warm Clear

8 Sowed barley near Hoovers about 7 1/2 acres W. fine Clear I Planted some potatoes PM

Sunday 9 Went to Meeting at Widemans appropriate remarks & sermon for the Celebration of Lords supper. Went to JH Ramer's after service W Clear

May 1869

May 10 Sowed grass seed on barley near Hoovers AM I finished rolling behind Cider house & Planted young orchard on Knoll back of garden & we plowed in same field. D Lehman came this evening to stop with JH Ramer's Coach house W Clear

11 I rolled barley near Hoovers & helped W plow awhile PM W very warm strong west wind

12 Sowed field back of garden with peas W warm clear

13 Both plowed in N West Corner field until about 4 PM When it rained a fine shower Bush just about green this evening.

14 finished plowing south half west of Creek in N West field. about 5 PM. W warm. looks showery

15 Sowed 10 bus Oats in N W field W. drizzly rain I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM I & Br S went to Cheese Meeting at Whitevale this evening

Sunday 16 at home all day. W. rainy all AM Clear Cool PM JD's were here & at My Mother's

WhitMonday 17 Went to AB's W. Cool north wind. Clear

18 W went to Mr Pallister's plowing bee on J Reesor's old farm. I sowed & Cultivated knoll in NW field with Oats & went to Old James Purdy's funeral he died on Sunday W. fine Clear

19 I harrowed knoll & sowed 4 bus Oats in swale in big field W. Cultivated it & root ground in west end of big field I & little boys went to JD's this evening W. Cool slight shower shot a large ground hog at Diller's

20 I chored & I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove this evening W clear

21 I rolled peas & some of Oats W. sowed plaster & drew stones off Meadow W. Cool Clear

22 I finished rolling & Helped W finish stones AM Went to Markham PM W. Cool Clear

Sunday 23 Went to Meeting at Cedar Grove remarks by Br C Sermon on St Luke 10 C 23 V to end of Chap by Rev H Barkey Br Ns were here PM W. Warmer Clear

Queens Birthday 24 went to MN's W fine Clear

May June 1869

May 25 I chored AM Planted Corn PM W. warm looked like rain this morning rained few drops have a sore arm. Nancy Vaccinated me last Monday when she done Our little boys I was done when I was about 4 or 5 years old

26 Went to S Lehman's. Called at JB's. Were not at home W. a little showry

27 W finished drawing dung on potatoe ground AM Cut seed potatoes & fixed gate post & fence at old willow tree PM. W. Cool Clear

28 I took grist 10 bus wheat & some Chop to Cedar Grove Mills AM Cut potatoes & Chored PM W. Cloudy AM rain PM

29 Staked & Capped fence round Calf pasture behind Cider house AM W drew rails to fix Orchard fence & I brought home grist PM Commenced to lay up Orchard fence after supper W. drissly AM Clear PM

Sunday 30 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks & Sermon on St {blank space} by Br C Br S's were here at supper & S Lehman's W. Clear AM shower PM

31 Washed Sheep AM Spread dung on potatoe ground PM. W warm. Clear AM shower this evening

June 1st Planted potatoes W warm. Clear I went eel fishing this evening. got nothing

2 Plowed turnip ground. I went to B S tonight W. very warm, clear

3 Finished turnip ground W went to BSS PM We helped M Dykes Pry stumps in fallow this evening W. very warm

4 Worked on roads in Scarboro I went to Clerks Office for my Road list PM. W Clear AM. heavy rain this evening. Wet Coming home

5 Warned hands to work on roads next Wednesday AM. took wool to Whitevale factory PM W. rainy AM cool PM

Sunday 6 at home AB's were here. W. fine clear cool

7 I & Nancy went to barn raising at Finlaws on back end of farm for his son Samuel. W. Clear AM Shower PM

8 both plowed in fallow W. very Cool

9 Had hands working on road drawing gravel on townline. W. Clear. very Cool this evening

10 I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove AM Worked on road PM W rainy AM {heavy?}

June 1869

June 11 Finished road work W Cool

12 Chored. I & little boys started to go to JD's. saw him on the road Shot a ground hog coming home. I & little boys went to Cedar Grove & fished at Br S's Caught about 50 PM W fine. Clear. Cloudy this evening

Sunday 13 At home all day W. rainy AM Cloudy PM

14 Drew posts along townline opposite Br C's where M Dykes is digging holes AM I & little boys brought a load of edgings PM W harrowed & Cultivated turnip ground W. fine Clear shower's went north

15 Chored AM had Br N to help put in posts PM. W. Commenced to drill ground for turnips W. Cold wind

16 I & Nancy went to R {Monney's?} funeral to Duffin's Creek sowed a few turnips PM W. showry at noon

17 Asked hands for Br C's barn raising & nearly finished sowing turnips W. fine warm

18 I & W hoed the Corn & put in posts behind barn W. fine & warm strong west wind PM

19 Went to Br Cs barnraising. didn't get the Purloin {purlin?} works finished W. warm Clear

20 Sunday at home all day. W rain in the night foggy AM, warm Clear PM

21 helped finish raising Br C's barn AM all went well. finished sowing turnip PM W finished harrowing of fallow. W. fine warm Clear

22 I & Br N put in posts AM I & Nancy Went to Markham & awhile to JH Ramer's PM. W. warm shower PM

23 I Br N & his boys went fishing to Dead Water of rouge didn't bite well caught 4. W Picked in fallow we burned this evening W rather windy for fishing Just right for burning fallow

24 Drew dung on fallow & heap in lane by dam JD & Br Cs team helped W. Warm. Clear

25 Pulled Pidgeon weed. W. fine Clear

26 Picked in fallow. W Clear AM looks like rain PM

Sunday 27 Funeral sermon of the late Isaac Shank at Hebron today remarks by Br C sermon's by Jos Barkey & A Ramer on 2 Cor 5C 1, 2 & 3 V W rainy all day

1869

June 28 Cut thistles & drew brands off fallow W. foggy & rainy this morning Clear PM water pretty high heavy rain last night. warm today

29 Called up at 3 o'clock to go fishing with MN Simon & John Hoover & young Sam Wideman went down little rouge Caught 3 Catfish plenty of mullets Caught at Mouth of rouge with {Service?} I & Nancy went to JB's PM. W. very warm W. Commenced to plow fallow

30 Both plowed in new fallow W Commenced yesterday W. Warm. heavy Shower early this morning

July 1st 1869 Finished plowing hard scrabble. I & Nancy went fishing to Br S's awhile this evening Caught 40 W. pretty warm. W got Jess & Curt shod.

2 I & Nancy went to Markham AM I got a little medicine from Dr MC dont feel well. I & Nancy went to Whitevale factory this evening got wool exchanged for cloth. W Commenced plow down Manure in fallow W. warm Clear

3 W plowed awhile AM then we topped {thistles} I & Nancy went to W Burkholders this evening to get Cure for her Complaint W. warmest day this season

Sunday 4 at home Br S's were here PM I & Nancy went to WB's this evening. W. warm today. Cool windy tonight

5 drew 2 loads Midge proof wheat to Whitevale @ 90cts per bus. 85 bus 5 lbs. W. Clear fine. Sold fat heifer to I Burton @ \$24.50cts I & Nancy went to W Bs tonight

6. Drew 1 load 38 bus 10 lbs wheat to Whitevale AM JB's were here. W. fine warm

7 W finished Plowing in Manure in fallow & I went to Markham this PM. I & Nancy went to Markham & to JH Ramer's to dung bee & quilting W. fine

8 Cleaned grist & Chored. W rain last night Showry today

9 Piled Pea straw Manure behind Old barn I took grist to Whitevale PM W scuffled potatoes after supper I & Nancy went to WB's this morning & this evening W. warm clear

July 1869

July 10 I & Nancy went to WB's this morning I & W Scuffled turnips AM hoed PM, W warm

Sunday 11 Went to Meeting at Altona remarks & Sermon on St Luke 2 C. 1 32 V by Rd H Barkey went to S Hoover's after Service W fine, Cool heavy rain & wind last night

July 12 I brought home grist from Whitevale AM Helped J Boyd fix kitchen floor & brought Planks for road from Mill PM W. fine Clear

13 hoed turnips. W. fine Clear. some east wind

14 hoed turnips I Scuffled PM W drew in old Steeles hay after Supper he lives in R Wallace's house I took My Mother & Lissy to Br C's & brought them home again W. fine looks like rain

15 Went to Markham & to Finlaws to get early {illegible} & strawberries. W. very hot. hottest day so far rain last night

16 Mowed Clover below garden W. Cut round fence & thinned a few turnips W. very warm rain last night

17 thinned turnips I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove tonight W. warm

Sunday 18 Went to JD's W. Warm Clear

19 turned hay & hoed turnips AM Drew in 4 loads PM Old Steele Commenced today @ \$1.00 per day he cut a road round big Meadow AM. W. fine warm Clear

20 Drew in 1 load of hay & then began to rain about 10 O'clock fine Shower. heavy rain this evening & Nancy went to WB's W. harrowed in new fallow

21 Took Cutter bar to BSS AM to get {guards?} straightened I & Br C ground knives PM W went to Cooks raising Steele hoed potatoes I & Nancy went to WB's this evening

22 I mowed in big Meadow W & Steele Cleaned potatoes & some corn. W. fine pretty warm Nancy went to WB's with Diller's.

23 I & Nancy Went to See her Grandmother AM. found that she Died this morning. turned, raked & cocked some hay in big meadow PM. I went to ABs to tell about funeral on Sunday.

July 1869

July 24 I & W hoed Corn AM W plowed potatoes & Corn with Shovel plow PM I made stand for Picking cherries W. heavy rain last night rather cloudy today

Sunday 25 Went to Funeral of Grandmother at Widemans. Sermon by Rd H Barkey on Rev 14 C 13 V. & by Rd S Holder on Acts 9 C 39 40 & 41 V's a great many People assembled. Went to Br inlaw S Hoover's after service W. warm

26 Raked & Cocked what was cut in big meadow Old Steele Cut awhile in Orchard I mowed in big meadow after supper W. warm heavy shower went north PM. a few drops here

27 Fixed up horse fork in new barn & went to funeral of Henry Peter's Daughter at 11th Con AM W & Steele drew in last load of hay in little meadow. W harrowed fallow & Stille {Steele} mowed in Orchard I & Nancy went to AB's I got {Sent?} Shod PM W. warm AM heavy Shower at noon Pretty warm PM

28 I & Nancy went to Markham W finished harrowing fallow & thinned turnips helped Br C put up beams over floor this evening. W wet showery

29 I & little boys went to BSS AM W. drew old rails for firewood turned & raked hay PM I & Nancy went to Br Ss this evening his wife is very sick W. Cloudy cool

30 Drew in 8 loads hay out of big Meadow broke fork. Went to Raymer's, got another. W. fine Clear Received a short visit from C J Van der {Smissen?} late from Germany

31 Drew in 10 loads hay I Took Mr {Smissen} to Uncle Saml's this morning W. fine Clear Horse fork works well

Augt 1. 1869 At home AB's MN's & Simon Hoover's were here. All went to Br Cs for Supper
W. fine Clear

2 Drew all hay that was cut out of big Meadow 8 loads & Coked Orchard Commenced to
rain about 7 oclock

3 Steele hoed turnips second time. W. Scuffled & helped him. I & Nancy went to Cedar
Grove AM & I finished mowing big meadow Fixed hog pen & hen house to shut up hens after
supper W. heavy rain last night I clear today

August 1869

August 4 1869 Chored. W. rainy all day

5 I took reaper table to BNs to get a bolt in it AM raked last of Meadow & drew in 3 loads PM
W Cut a road round barley behind Cider house & Steele bound. received a visit from {Mr's?
Mrs? Miss} HP Crosby & Uncle {Iver?} White W. fine clear

6 Finished drawing in Meadow 2 loads & Orchard 2 loads AM all helped Br C. draw PM W.
fine Clear

7 Had Br. C to help to cut barley behind Cider house AM. Cut part of Soules Wheat PM him
& his Men helped PM. W. fine Clear

Sunday 8 W I & Nancy went to Meeting at Elmira with Br. C. & Susan Burkholder his hired
girl remarks by Rev J Wideman Sermon on {blank space} by Br C. Went to J Widemans after
Service W. fine clear

9 Finished Cutting Wheat & Commenced Cutting barley in field near Hoover's Br. C & his
men helped W clear

10 Finished our barley about 3 PM Commenced Br. Cs. W & Steele Coked some of our's
W. Clear

11 I & Br C. Cut Wheat & barley for Br S. W & Steele finished Cocking & drew 4 loads out of
field behind Cider house. W. fine warm. clear

12 Drew all barley out of field behind Cider house 9 loads I helped Br C cut PM W fine Clear

13 Chored AM. I & W. drew 5 leads wheat out of field near Hoover's W. Shower last night
fine today

14 drew 2 loads out of field near Hoover which finished it & 8 out of big field W. fine Cool
raining tonight. I shot a Crane at dam tonight

Sunday 15 Nancy & little girls went to Meeting at Cedar Grove. Br. N's were here PM. W
Clear heavy rain last night

16 Drew in 14 loads barley out of field near Hoover's which finished it & 1 load of Wheat. W.
rather cloudy

17 Finished drawing in Wheat 3 loads. AM I & Nancy went to weaver in Sparta PM W. fine clear

18 I & My Mother went to JD's AM. I finished raking stubble PM. W. & Steele helped Br. C draw in barley. W. Clear

Aug 1869 Sept

August 19 I & Steele drew in 2 {jags?} Wheat rakings & one of barley till supper. rained a little. W. plowed in fallow W. warm

20 I & Steele drew in last load barley rakings & a load of fence corner hay for him AM. I went to Whitevale mills PM & I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove this evening W. Shower PM. the warmest day this summer

21 Chored. AM. I went to Dr for Medicine for Lissy PM. W. rainy AM. Clear PM

Sunday 22 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Br C Sermon on {blank space} by Rev H Barkey S Lehman's & Little Chris Hoover were here PM W fine clear

23 I helped M Dykes thresh with team AM helped W finish plowing fallow PM. W. warm Clear

24 I helped Br C draw in Wheat W. Cradled oats below garden & road round Spring Wheat behind Cider house W. warm clear

25 W helped C B thresh I made {bars?} at Corner of bush to get in big field AM. I & family went to JD's PM to see if I could Shoot Pidgeons. got none. dont feel well. have cold in back of neck. W. warm slight shower at noon

26 Cut spring wheat behind Cider house AM Br. C drove AM. W. fine Clear

27 I & W finished bind & shocked spring wheat & cut Spring Wheat in little Orchard. Old Steele helped thresh at Flavius. W. warm. slight Shower PM Old Uncle John Burkholder was here

28 W helped Br N thresh. I got JD's rake to pull peas & went to Cedar Grove & to Dimma's with a tub to get hoops on W. heavy rain last night warm today

Sunday 29. at home JD's & Br. S's were here. W. fine clear

30 Pulled Peas with rake. W. fine Clear

31 Finished Pulling Peas. W. fine. Cool. Clear

Sept 1 I & Steele drew swale hay that he made on {illegible} in Pea field 2 small loads apiece. I & Nancy went to Markham after supper. W. cut oats with Scythe & Cradle. very much down. W. very Cool. for the season

2 Cut Oats with Cradle. W. fine Clear

3 Drew in spring wheat 8 loads. & Oats below garden W. Clear

4 Cut Oats I went to BS this morning. W. fine clear

Sept 1869

Sunday Sept 5 Went to Flavius. W. fine Clear

56 Finished Cutting Oats with Cradle & reaper Br. N drove W. Clear

67 Chored. Cleaned up barn floors W. rain all day

78 Chored. Threshed a few Oats. I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM. W. rained nearly all day. very wet

Thanksgiving day 9 Went to Meeting at Widemans Saml Smith & his wife from Vaughan were Baptised by Br C today. Went to Finlaws after service. W. Cloudy W. plowed in new fallow

10 Chored & W plowed AM. I & W turned Peas & Shocked Oats PM. W. fine warm Clear

11 Sowed 4 bus Soules Wheat in new fallow W. fine

Sunday 12 Went to Meeting at Cedar Grove remarks & sermon by Rvd H Barkey on {blank space} W fine Clear

13 Bound Oats. W. fine Clear

14 Drew in 10 loads peas. W. fine Clear

15 Drew in 10 loads peas. W. fine Clear. looks like rain tonight

16 Finished Peas 6 loads which we stacked in field against the lane fence. & drew in 2 loads of Oats W. Clear

17 Chored & Fenced Pea stack this morning then harrowed fallow & W struck lands & we Commenced to ridge up. W. rain last night clear

18 Both ridged. W. Warm. Clear

Sunday 19 Went to Meeting at Hebron. remarks & Sermon on St Mat 18 C by Rvd H Barkey. Visitors Rev H Barkey & wife. W. very warm Clear R Wallace & Matty Shenk were here at super

20 Drew in 4 loads Oats. Chored PM. W. Clear AM. heavy rain PM

21 I went to Dr Mc for Lizzy AM. W. & Old Steele drew dung on Wheat Stubble near Hoover's with 2 wggons {illegible} I helped PM. W. Clear warm

22 Sowed about 4 acres Treadwell Wheat. fallow in NW corner field. W. Warm Clear

23 Finished drawing in Oats 12 loads which finishes our harvest R Wallace helped PM with Br C's team & D Munro. CB's Man W. foggy this Morning Clear PM Br C & Br N & wife Came

home this evening they were on at visit in the township of Hay. Stephen & Stanley & at Cayuga & Clinton

Sept 1869

24 W helped Br. C draw dung & I Chored AM drew Duncan's hay PM. W foggy this morning warm clear PM

25 Drew dung. W. warm heavy rain PM. & this evening

Sunday 26 Went to ABs W. rain this morning. Cool Cloudy

27 Took a grist to Whitevale I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM. I asked some hands to thresh. W helped Br C to thresh. W. Cool Clear

28 Cut a lot of Burrs around the place. Machine Came about 4 OC PM. threshed 55 bus Oats W Clear

29 threshed 68 bus Oats & 285 bus barley. W. fine Clear

30 threshed 147 bus barley & 70 bus Spring Wheat & 28 bus Midge Proof & rakings. W. Warm Clear

Oct 1 W helped Br N dig Potatoes I Commenced to fall plow in Wheat Stubble in big field. W warm. Clear

2 W plowed. I went to with JD to his old place to help to Clean his wheat W. Warm rain this evening

Sunday 3 at home all day RW & Jane Duncan were here PM. James Duncan & wife were here awhile this evening W. Clear

4 I & W. Cut & Sawed rail timber along Scarboro fallow Cut down an old elm stub with 3 Coons in it. Hurrah Johnny & {Flavy? - Benjamin's son Flavius?! What fun for the little boys. but they were badly hurt with the fall of the tree and were easy killed. W fine Clear

5 Sawed a few rail cuts this morning. then plowed till noon. M Dyke is splitting the rails. W dragged the cuts round the fallow PM I drew some wood PM W. Clear

6 Both helped Br S thresh. W. hard frost this morning. Clear today

7 W went to Markham Fair. I laid up new fence along south end of new land wheat & through bush to join the old fence about 30 rods. W. very fine, warm, Clear beautiful

8 Both helped Br. S thresh AM. Plowed PM. W. very warm clear Finlaws were here awhile

9 I Plowed. W helped T Saunders thresh he lives on W Lapps farm I Plowed out one drill of potatoes & Children picked them they are badly rotted. W warm. looks like rain tonight

Sunday 10 Went to Meeting at Wideman's. Appropriate sermon's by Rd H Barkey & Br C. Lords supper was Celebrated Went to Michael Fret's after Service. W. Cool, Cloudy AM

1869

Oct 11 1869 Both plowed. W cool a little squally PM

12 I went to Whitevale this morning for some beef for My Mother. Then Commenced to draw in Pea stack about 9 O'clock finished about 3 then Plowed till night. W fine Cler. pretty Cool

13 I & W went to Flavius this morning to help to thresh. the Coupling ring in the Tumbling rod broke at starting. then W plowed. I & Nancy went to Markham & I & Johnny went to Unionville with my Road list. JH Ramer's were here this evening. W. Cold wind from north

14 Helped Flavius thresh. W. rather showry awhile at noon

15 Helped Flavius finish threshing & W. took Charly to get shod this evening. W. Cool windy

16 W. dug potatoes I Chored with boil on my left hand. Jacob Widemans were here this evening W. Clear ground froze last night

Sunday 17 Meeting & Sacrement at Hebron. I & Nancy staid at home. My Mother went. JDs & we were at Mother's PM. W. Clear Cool

18 I chored. brought 500 tiles from Pettys & got Curt shod. hand very sore Spence helped W dug potatoes W. cold wind clear

19 Went to Markham for Medicine for Lizzie AM & got Dick shod & brought 3 little pigs from W Burkholder's PM W. very cold west wind. boys finished Potatoes

20 Done nothing hand very sore W. {Cleaned?} a load of barley AM finished wheat stubble in Big field & Commenced behind Cider house PM W. Cold. Clear Boil broke last night. very sore yet

21 Went to Cedar Grove Mills with grist Corn AM Took 64 bus 36 lbs barley there PM. @ 65cts per bus W. Cool clear

22 Chored. W. Mild Clear. hand getting better

23 Br C helped to kill a pig AM I & W went to Markham PM. I Paid my Taxes met Collector at Hall's Inn. W. rained all AM rain PM {not sure about order of these words}

Sunday 24. We all went to S Lehman's W. squalls of snow

25 Drew home wood AM. & Cleaned a load of Barley both Plowed PM. W. Cold raw wind. Clear

26 I took 47 bus 5 lbs barley to Fmans bay @ 57cts W plowed a little & drew wood. W. Snowed all AM, looks like winter

1869 Nov

Oct 27 I helped JD thresh W split wood in bush W Cold

28 I went to Whitevale AM. Plowed PM. Snow nearly all gone tonight. JB's were here for some apples W. some milder

29 W took 45 bus barley to Fmans bay @ 55cts. I & Children Cleaned a load of spring wheat. & a load of barley after W Came home. W. Cold windy from north. snow nearly {gone}

30 W took about 43 bus barley to Fmans bay @ 55cts & I took 32 bus 55 lbs spring wheat to Major Mills @ 95 cts. I went to raising of driving house at Flavius PM. Took in a lot of winter apples this evening W. roads froze up tight. Cold all day Apples froze pretty bad

Sunday 31 at home all day JDs were here W some milder

Nov 1 Cleaned a load of barley & the last of Spring Wheat & I took Spring Wheat to Major Mills @ 90 cts W Picked apples. W. fine warm Clear roads better

2 I Took 46 bus 18 lbs barley to Fman's bay @ 55cts W Plowed AM Picked apples PM W. Mild Clear

3 I made 83 gallons Cider at {Resters?} Mill on Pickering Townline Nancy went along to Simon Hoover's I got there about sunset. W. fine Mild Clear

4 Boiled Sauce W drew 8 loads turnips S Spence & Old Steele are pulling them for the 11th drill W beautiful Clear

5 I boiled awhile, got too windy. had to quit & began drawing turnips 5 loads. W 8. W very windy cold

6 Drew 9 loads turnips & finished Sauce AM Spence helped draw. Both plowed PM W snowy AM thawing PM

Sunday 7 Went to Br S's awhile W cold. hard frost windy

8 I went round to sell some beef. AM. Intend to kill a small one tomorrow. Chored PM. W. very cold. windy

9 killed small beef this Morning. then went to Plowing Match at James Trans {Tran's} AM. Peddled Beef PM W. milder

10 Went to Markham & to Finlaws. W. Cold. Windy from west

11 Drew in 11 loads turnips I brought home 120 lbs Cheese from Whitevale factory we sent Milk a few weeks to get Cheese for our use W. pretty Cold. thawed a little today W. Cold

12 Drew in 18 bags potatoes & 2 loads turnips for Spence PM. W. Cold

13 Drew 1 load for Spence & 13 bags potatoes AM. & 2 loads Corn PM W. cold a little snow this morning

Nov 1869

Sunday 14 Went to Meeting at Hebron Remarks by B.C sermon on St Mat 20 C by Rvd H Barkey Visitors Uncle Joes Youngster's Br inlaw John Hoover & hired girl Emmelin Ramer & the Burkholder Girls from Pickering. W. Cold

15 Went to Miles Sale on B.G. Reesor's Old Place W. pretty cold

16 had quilting & roast Goose. W drew dung AM helped Flavius Cut Sheaves with horse power PM. I didnt do anything. W. pretty Cold. real snow storm from East Commenced this evening

17 Chored. Great storm of snow & rain from east last night & this morning 4 in of snow. high wind today intended to have {paring?} & husking bee tonight. very few came.

18 I took a load of turnips down for Old Steele that we left Standing in the driving house on tuesday. AM. Went to Markham to get a pair of boots for Jhon {John} my son W. wintry. a few sleighs in the village

19 Took grist to Cedar Grove Mills & brought home a load of Edgings AM. I & Br C fixed old Sleigh PM. W. more snow. looks like winter

20 Brought home grist AM. Chored PM. W snow again went to Mill with Sleigh. thawing this PM.

Sunday 21 at home. Br S's & Flavius were here. W. pretty cold

22 Drew a load of edgings AM I went to JB's PM Sleighing pretty fair great snow storm from east all PM. storming yet. pretty mild

23 Started for BD with Jess to get her Shod. She took sick on the road, sent for Burrows. she is better again. Took family to Br Cs. & borrowed Br Ns market sleigh to go to MNs tomorrow W. mild about 8 in of snow. sleighing good

24 All went to M N's W fine Clear. sleighing good

25 Took home Br Ns sleigh & brought a load of edgings AM Went to R Stovers for Matty Shank to stay with My Mother PM W. clear

26 Helped M Dykes kill large hog & fat sheep AM Chored PM. W. milder. Clear Br C & family were here tonight

27 Drew home some wood JB was here at Dinner W. mild a little snow PM

{Sunday} 28 All went to JD's & to Br N's this evening W. Mild. fine

Nov Dec 1869

Nov 29 Went to JB's W. mild sleighing getting thin thawing tonight

30 Cleaned Peas. brought Cutting box from Br S's & filled beds W. warm. thawing. sleighing about gone. raining tonight

Decr 1 Helped Br. C kill pigs. W. Cold again. pretty icy

2 Got horses shod AM Drew Jag of turnips for Steele with Sleigh PM W. snow from East nearly all day rough sleighing

3 helped Br N kill pigs W. Cold. Clear

4 Drew home Pine log for kindling. Took tub to Br. N's to get hoop on & Cleaned up shop ready for Butchering PM W. a little snow last night. W soft today. mild

Sunday 5 I, the Children, Margaret & Matty Shank went to Meeting at Cedar Grove remarks by Br C sermon on St Luke 6 C by Rvd H Barky W. mild

6 Helped Flavius kill pigs. W. Cold. Clear. about Coldest this season

7 Helped Br. S kill pigs W Very Cold this morning. Snowed AM. Milder PM

8 Helped JD kill pigs W. Mild. Clear

9 killed Our 7 pigs W. fine. Mild.

10 Drew some wood John McGaw has been here since the 3rd 1st Inst Choring & Cutting wood brought a load of Edgings PM. W. mild thawing sleighing about gone

11 Split some wood that W cut in the spring AM helped RW Clean Oats PM. W. drizzly thawing heavy rain tonight

Sunday 12 at home. drove My Mother to Meeting at Hebron John Stover was here after service. W. a little rainy soft sleighing done

13 Drew 8 sleigh loads of turnips out of heap behind barn into Cellar they have been laying there Covered with pea straw since we drew {the rest?} in. W. Cold. frost again

14 J# McGaw went shooting. I went with him about a half hour shot 2 black squirrels & Chored AM I went to Markham PM to see Mc. My son John has a bad stomach. Dr was not at home. W. Cold. Cler

15 I & Jhon {John} my son went to Markham AM Dr was not at home. Chored PM. sold 2 year old Colt to Johnston for \$75.00 W. Mider {Milder} AM. {real?} East rain PM & tonight

16 Chored. W. rained am. Cleared up PM. Water very high

17 Split rest of wood in bush that W cut in spring AM. Went shooting awhile at noon with Isaac & J McGaw. got one squirrel Chored PM. W. Clear mild

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Dec 18 Went to Dr again AM was not at home Helped Br N kill a beef PM. W. Cold Clear

Sunday 19 at home all day. W. Cold. Cloudy

20 Took 5 bus Wheat to Cedar Grove Mills for M Dykes AM. Helped Br C kill a beef PM. W. Cold Clear

21 Drew in last load of Corn & Picked some apples for Cider AM. I & J McGaw & little girls Picked about a gallon of Beechnuts in Flavius' Common for about an hour & a half PM Picked some apples when we Came home. W. pretty Cold Commenced to snow from East this evening

22 Cut wood. & went to Cedar Grove Mills PM. W. rain all AM windy PM. very windy tonight. snow that fell nearly all gone

23 I husked corn AM Drew wood PM I dont feel well W. Cold west wind thin sleighing. S Moyer & wife & Sisterinlaw from Clinton were here. J G Reesor & My Br C brought them

24 I drew home some dry Pine from Br C's bush for kindling. W. Cold clear

25 Christmas day. Had Goose dinner at My Mothers JD's & Br C & family were there. W. fine mild. rough sleighing

Sunday 26 at home all day. JB's were at My Mothers Br S's & AB's were here. W. fine beautiful. thawing

27 Went through Scarboro bush to show Old WM to cut fallen pine logs. AM. Chored PM. W. foggy. rain tonight

28 George Brillinger & wife from Nottawasaga were here AM. I helped JD kill a beef PM. W. Mild Cloudy sleighing gone

29 Went to Markham AM Took sow to Flavius PM. W. Mild windy tonight

30 Drew Oats out of Old barn into new & brought a load of edgings sold fat Muley Cow to Sparta Billy @ \$35.00 I went for Dr Mc. about 5 PM Nancy gave birth to a son about 11 o'clock. doing well. W. Mild Cloudy

31 around the house. W. Mild

January 1st 1870. at home. Finlaws & S Lehman's were here CB's & A Doner's from Nottawasaga were here awhile PM W. mild Cloudy

2 Sunday At home all day W. Snow from east last night rain today. soft. mild & slushy

3 Chored. J McGaw Commenced to go to School on 3rd {Pickering} and boards with us. W heavy west wind drifting {snow} about six inches snow fell last night

Jan 1870

Jan 5 Went to Michael Fret's for horse power AM cut Sheaves PM W. fine clear pretty good sleigh A B's & M Neighswander's were here this evening

5 Chored AM. helped Flavius Cut Sheaves PM. W. pretty cold

6 Drew Jag of turnips for Steele AM. Chored PM. {Manose? Manasseh?} Fret's were her PM. & J Cober's this evening. w. Cler

7 brought home Pig from Flavius' & Chored AM Cut hole through barn floor & made chaff bin behind Centre stabe {stable} & put Chaff down into it PM. W. Clear Cold. pretty frosty

8 Drew home wood & Cleaned som Wheat W. Some snow last night pretty cold today

Sunday 9 at home Meeting at Hebron Visitors. JB & wife Old Abraham Burkholder's & W. Burkholders were here this evening. sleighing good

10 I helped WM kill his pigs. W. Milder. some stormy AM

11 Went to Cedar Grove this Morning Br inlaw Simon & Saml Hoover's & JH Ramer's were here today. & Old D Hoover's this evening W. Clear {Clear}. Mild today. a little snow this evening

12 Chored. Uncle Joe's were here awhile PM W. rain all day

13 Fixed Wheelbarrow AM Helped Flavius kill a beef PM. W snow pretty heavy AM. Cold Clear PM

14 helped RW Clean 29 bus Peas AM. Chored PM. W very Cold

15 Cut wood & husked Corn W. rained all day. mild

Sunday 16 at home Br. N's JD's & CB's were here W. mild Clear rain from East tonight. W Burkholder's youngster's & illegible Isaac Resor were here tonight

17 Chored. rain last night & today Finished husking Corn AM

18 Intended to go to Markham AM. didnt go water very high. Cutter floated crossing road at our Corner. I & McGaw shot squirrels PM. I. two & he one. W. Cold. Clear high wind last night

19 Went to Markham to Dr got some Medicine for Nancy She has a bad Cough. Margaret went with m {me?} Finlaws were here. W. Cold. Clear

20 Took grist to Whitevale. & shot 3 squirrels in Scarboro bush in about half an hour at 3 shots with my Bully rifle AM Went to Cedar Grove PM. W. Clear. sharp

21 Drew some Wood AM Chored PM. Simon Hoover was here {a}while from Br C's PM W. Clear. Sharp

22 Drew wood for Mother AM Chopped some PM. W. Cloudy rain after dark

Jan 1870

Sunday 23 at home Michael Fret's were here W. Clear Sharp

24 Went to Major Mills AM Chored PM. W Clear Sharp. Snow this evening.

25 Chored. shot a squirrel PM. W Snow AM Clear PM

26 Got horses shod & shot 2 squirrels AM Chored PM S Lehman's came here about 3 PM & staid for supper W. mild

27 Went to Flavius & brought home a few tiles that were left in new fallow in the fall. AM Went to Cedar Grove & brought beef poles from Br S's PM. Br S's youngsters were here this evening W. Clear mild

28 Helped Br C thresh with team. W. Clear Sharp

29 Helped CB thresh with team. W. Mild Clear

30 Sunday. at home. W. fine Mild

31 Chored AM. killed bull PM. W. Mild fine

Feb 1 I & McGaw went to Raymer's Tannery with beef hide 3 Coon skins & 18 black squirrel skins then came through Markham village. I brought Matty Shank from Cober's to My Mother's this morning W. Clear Sharp sleighing fair

2 At home Uncle Joe's were here awhile I cut up beef AM. All went to AB's this evening W. snowed all AM. Sun Came out about 3 PM

3 Went to JB's Sale. bought. Pail. washstand. Pitchfork. & 3 Cowchains. W. Clear Sharp. John is leaving his farm at the request of his Father. he is going to Move to D Neighswander's. {line]

4 Went to Dr. for Medicine for Lissy AM & to J H Ramer's for some Cider for Vinegar AM Chored & went to CB's PM W. very Cold. Clear

5 Cut & drew home Pine {or Peas?} AM Fixed washing machine PM W. cold clear

Sunday 6 All went to Meeting at Hebron Remarks by Br C. Sermon on St John 1st C by Rvd J Barkey John Stover's were here after Service. W. fine Clear

7 Took 23 bus 6 lbs Peas to Clark's Mills @ 50 cts per {bus illegible} AM I & R W Cleaned Peas PM. W fine Clear

8 Finished Cleaning Peas AM. Took 32 bus 26 lbs to Clarks Mills PM W. Clear

9 All went to F inlaws. W. mild thawing some

10 Took my Mother to JD's brought her home again their {boy? baby?} is sick with Inflammation. W. Cold, blustering north {wind} {page folded}

11 Took 33 bus 37 lbs Peas to Clarks @ 50 cts per bus AM Helped RW. Clean last Peast PM. W. Pretty Cold windy

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Feb 12 Drew home & cut wood. W. Cold Squally & windy I & Nancy went to JD's this morning. their baby is better {illegible ly?}

Sunday 13 All went to CB's W. pretty Cold

14 Chored AM. Helped Br. S. kill a beef PM. Sold 2 Cows to Mr Bush drover of Pickering @ \$75.00 W. mild. looks like a thaw

15 Took RW's share of Peas to Clarks AM Went to JDs with my Mother PM. went to Flavius this evening W. Clear fine

16 All went to JH Ramer's W. beautiful Clear

17 Helped Br S thresh. W. Cold this morning. Snow PM rain tonight

18 Chored AM. Went to help Br S thresh PM was too late they Finished AM. then I went to Cedar Grove & to JD's. W. Cold & windy from north all day

19 Chored. I went to Cedar Grove PM. W. very Cold AM Milder PM. Snow from East this evening

Sunday 20 at home. Br. C's hired man J Gehman & C Honsberger were here PM. W. Cold

21 Chored. W. very very Cold

22 thawed back pump & cut wood Uncle John Burkholder was here W. rather milder Clear

23 Took my Mother & Nancy to Br. S's & N's on a visit W. Milder

24 Went D Reesor Junr's Sale of 65 head of Cattle. he bought them in the County of Grey on Speculation. W. very Cold

25 Went to JB's on a visit. W. milder

26 Drew home wood. W. pretty mild. Clear

Sunday 27 at home all day. W. real old fashioned east storm of snow

28 Shoveled out lane & Chored AM helped RW Clean Oats PM. W. rather damp looks like a thaw

March 1 helped RW finish Cleaning Oats 122 1/2 bus Shot a squirrel PM. W. rather Colder. Clear

2 Went to Whitevale & bought Some Chairs AM. Went to JD's & to all Brothers' PM. to tell them to meet at my Mother's tomorrow to transact some business W. very cold north wind

3 Chored. Finlaws & Br inlaw Sam's were here a little while PM. W. pretty Cold. Clear

4 Took my Mother to JD's AM to see little girl baby Went to Cedar Grove PM. W. pretty Cold

5 Went for Dr. for Br C. AM. he hs a bad Cold in his head Helped WM Cut some Cordwood for me PM. W Clear

Mar 1879

Sunday March 6 Went to Meeting at Hebron Remarks & Sermon on {blank space} by Rev H Barkey visitors Dav Burkholders JB's & Br inlaw J Hoover & Susan Burkholder. W. fine Clear. Br C is getting better

7 All went to JD's. W. Pretty Cold. a little snowy

8 helped Br C's man Jake hang up their Pork this morning then he helped to hang ours after dinner then I went to Duncan's & BSS & Nancy went to AB's AB's were here tonight. W. pretty Mild

9 I & WM Chopped Cord wood. W Clear pretty Cold

10 Chored AM Went to Cedar Grove PM. W snow storm AM Clear Mild PM. Br C was here today he is getting better

11 {Starded} to go to Funeral of David Boyer's daughter found dead in her bed on Wednesday morning. got too late & stormed. Went to Br inlaw Saml Hoover's W. snow AM. Cloudy PM

12 Helped RW Clean last Oats 95 bus W. Clear AM snow some PM

Sunday 13 at home all day W. heavy storm of snow from east all night & this morning lane pretty well filled up. mild

14 Shoveled out lane AM. Cut Cord wood PM WM helped. W. warm. Clear. roads not very much {drifted?}

15 Started to go to Simon Hoover's. Called at JB's they live at D Neighswander's. then went to Simon's. their Children have Whooping Cough so we didn't stay. went to Br inlaw MN's JB's were here when we Came home. W Stormy East. wind. roads drifting. had a fine time coming up our lane Coming home

16 at home. JB's here yet looking at the Storm snowed all night & today. blow from Norwest not very heavy

17 I & JB shoveled road out through field & helped Flavius break Pickering townline snowed some AM. turned rather soft PM

18 Went to Belford with Br N & JB AM I & Br N his wife, Nancy & My Mother Divided a few of her Bedding & Chairs PM JB's went home after dinner the roads are getting Passable. the snow is between 2 & 3 feet deep on the level. but not drifted as bad as 2 years ago

Mar 1870

19 Chored & went to Cedar Grove W. fine Clear

Sunday 20 at home. Flavius' were here PM W. a little rain

21 Went to Flavius' to help to saw wood. Sawyer's didn't Come. Came home. Finlaws were here at noon. then helped Flavius' PM W. Cloudy mild. heavy rain last night. My son Flavius got his left eye & face burned this evening with fire falling onto him out of the fire shovel which Adeline was carrying

22 Went to H Booths Whitevale for new table helped Hoover's to shovel out some of townline north of Anthonys so that I could through had visitors when I came home Abraham Saml & Solomon Burkholder with their families & Christian Gehman's from Cayuga & their sons John & Jacob & S Lehman & family W. rather Colder. Clear

23 Helped Flavius saw wood W. real March day Cold raw. NW. wind

24 Chored AM Oiled Single harness PM. W. Cool Clear

25 Took Nancy to Br. S's & I went to Dr for Medicine for Lizzy & to AB Ramer's for Bedstead AM Went to JD's to Meet Dr to see Nancy she does not feel well. PM. W. Cold wind. Clear thawing

26 Took my Mother to Br S's W. raw East Wind

Sunday 27 at home all day. W very heavy snow storm from East all day Commenced some time last night. Storming yet. 9 ocl PM

28 Commenced to open roads. didnt get done W. some snow AM soft. Clear PM. S Shank helped PM

29 Had Shank Craigie & James Milroy to finish opening roads AM. WM Commenced work for me PM @ \$16.00 per Month for a term of six Months Sawed big elm for fire wood south of Markham bush W. warm Clear

30 I took Margaret home with sore throat AM Chored. M Neighswanders Called PM W. Clear

31 I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove. AM I went to Geo Cooks Sale on D Lapps farm PM. East wind. Snow going fast

April 1870

April 1st Cut some drags of wood in edge of Markham bush. snow is so deep and soft that we cant get into Scarboro bush. AM. Shoveled snow from between old & new barns to keep soakedge out of shed PM W. warm clear

2 I went to Cedar Grove Mills with Chop shovelled snow at Meeting house & drew home drags of wood PM. W. warm clear sleighing about gone

Sunday 3 I & little girls went to Meeting at Hebron Nancy has sore throat. remarks by Rvd H Barkey sermon on St. Mat 18 C by Br C. W. warm Clear M N's were here for supper

4 Chored & helped some to split Cordwood J McGaw Commenced to work today at noon @ \$18.25 cts per month for a term of 7 months. W. mild, a little storm PM

5 Took M Neighswander's daughter Elisabeth home she was here Since last Wednesday. Went to Simon Hoover's for Some Potatoes. W. Cloudy some soft snow

6 all cut wood. W. Clear warm. Barbara Barkey came to work

7 I went to Henry Stovers on 4th Con of Pickering to look for a girl to work. AM. Chored PM M Neighswanders were here PM. I bought his horse Frank for \$110. sold horse Charley to

W.M. Junr for \$100. about 3 weeks ago he is here yet. W. Clear warm thawing sleighing done some large banks of snow yet

8 I & W Sawed of fence posts on Scarboro townline & opened a drain to let wet out under Stable AM all chopped dead trees in Markham bush PM. W Clear

9 All Chopped. W. beautiful. warm. Clear

Sunday 10 at home all day Brs S & N were here. W. Clear

Monday 11 Sawed Cordwood in two in old bush with Crosscut AM. I went to Markham Village on foot PM W. Clear roads very bad

12 Sawed Cordwood. W. Cooler. Clear

13 I took Frank to get shod. & went to see about getting threshing Machine AM. Shovelled some snow in lane & I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM boys sawed wood roads very very bad. W. warm Clear looks like rain

14 All the Burkholders brought a little threshing Machine (that Nathaniel made) tried it. it blew over rather much grain. they brought the large one to thresh on Saturday

April 1870

April 14 W. very heavy thunder storm & some rain last night about midnight. very close & warm today. heard about different buildings struck by the lightings

Good Friday 15. at home CB's & Br Cs were here. W clear Cooler

16 had Machine. threshed 106 bus Soules wheat & 50 bus Treadwell. W. looked like rain this morning. Cleared up again

Easter Sunday 17 at home JD's were here W. East rain PM. raining yet

Easter Monday 18 at home. W. rain nearly all day

19 Oiled tug harness & Cut wood in Shed rain nearly all day

20 Oiled chain harness. And fixed up some fence & cut some wood PM. W. Drissly rain until about 2 PM water high

21 I went to Markham on foot for Medicine for Lizzie AM fixed garden fences & some board fences PM W. {clear?} rather cloudy

22 I went to J Burrow's AM. my horse Cent is not well. Went to C Stover's PM to see for a girl to work Margaret is not well yet. W. fine Clear

23 tore down north side of back garden fence & W. dug new post holes & I helped Flavius weigh some hay he bought about 2 1/2 tons @ \$10.00 per ton. W. fine Clear. roads getting better

Sunday 24 at home. Br N's were here. W fine Clear. began to rain this evening. a little thunder

25 I went to Br S's this morning to try to get some Sucker's there were some 500 Caught there last night & this morning the first for this season. got 12 from W Clod. Went to BSS PM Nancy went to AB's boys sawed & split old oaks for firewood. W. Cool Clear roads getting better

26 Drew home some stove wood & fixed fences W. Clear was up nearly all last night with Lizzie. she is better again

27 Drew a few rails & 500 hay for Steele AM I & Nancy & Barbara Barky went to Markham PM. I bought a new Patterson No 11 Plow @ \$17.00. W. Clear roads getting Pretty good. Some hills were impassable

28 Trimmed apple trees. W helped CB at sawing Machine W. cool clear

29 Went to Dr Mc for AB W drew some hay for M Dyke from Old WMs & Took some seed barley to J Duncan PM. W. Clear

30 Helped dig a grave for AB's stillborn child AM Chored PM & Planted 18 cherry trees in little Orchard. W commenced to plow in East half of meadow W. cool. Clear

May 1870

May 1st at home with Lizzie to let Mother & Nancy go to Meeting & Sacrement at Hebron Joseph Barkeys were here after Service. W. fine Cool Clear

2 Went to BSS AM & brought Br S's old mare PM to Work until Cent gets better W. fine Clear I & Br S's boys Caught 20 suckers

3 Helped J McGaw Commence Plowing in south end of field behind Cider house. dug some garden & chored W. clear

4 Had Br C to work at back fence of back garden AM Sowed 4 acres of barley for Br C PM. W. Warm Clear

5 Chored. & Sowed 1 1/2 acres barley for Br C. W. Clear

6 Took Br S's old mare home AM. Put on some Grafts PM. W. Cool. Cloudy

7 Boys Commenced {Commenced} to plow in big field about 9 AM I sowed about 11 bus Oats behind Cider house in Southe part of field the rest is for roots J harrowed them PM. W. rained awhile this morning Clear today

Sunday 8 Went Meeting at Widemans Appropriate remarks & Sermons for the Celebration of the Lords supper Went to Finlaws after Service. W. fine Cler roads good

9 I sowed 4 acres barley for Br N. AM J finished harrowing & rolling Oats & Took wooden plow to BSS PM. W. Clear warm AM. Cloudy. a little drizzly PM

10 Carried Potatoes out of Cellar AM had BN awhile PM to put {illegible Scarotting?} ef on posts back of new barn to make tight board fence. W showry

11 finished fence north side of back garden AM Sowed 12 bus barley in big field & went to Cedar Grove PM W. warm clear

12 Chored AM dug in back garden PM. W. Mild Cloudy at times

13 Finished Plowing & sowing big field. W went to Garlands raining PM J got it harrowed once W. fine Clear

14 I got some Timothy & Alsike seed at Uncle Sam's AM Chored PM I & W. sowed Part of west half of big field with it this evening W Plowed small piece below garden & I sowed it with barley AM W fine warm Clear

Sunday 15. I & Nancy went to D Hoovers W. warm Clear

16 I finished sowing grass seed & J finished harrowing big field this morning. then I rolled it & {DJ?} dug in garden W. fine Clear JB came this evening & stayed all night

May 1870

May 17 I chored & dug in garden AM. Cleared Coulter of stubble for W. PM he is Plowing in N West field where the Oat stubble are very long. W. warm Clear Put Cows in pasture today the bush has been in full leaf about a week or more

18 Cleaned Coulter awhile this morning. Fixed drain in west end of field near Hoover's AM dug garden & went to Flavius' PM. boys finished Plowing in N West Corner field W. very warm Clear

19 Sowed Peas in N West Corner field I went to get Burrows. heifer had difficulty in Calving. J harrowed W began plowing in field near Hoover's I spread dung PM. we drew some on in the fall intending it for roots but did not get it Plowed in W. Clear

20 I spread dung AM Went to Uncle Sam's to see about some black seed Oats PM. boys plowed W. very warm. Clear

21 I brought seed oats this morning & helped W. finish plowing AM Sowed it PM. W. a little rain at noon

Sunday 22 Went to Meeting at Cedar Grove remarks & Sermon on {blank space} by Br C. W. Cooler Clear

23 Drew dung on young Orchard. AM J finished harrowing Oats I went to B.S. & boys drew dung on Corn ground behind Cider house out near bush. W. Shower this morning & at supper

24 I Cultivated potatoe ground. W plowed Corn ground AM. I sowed for Flavius PM & boys planted some Potatoes & W. plowed young Orchard PM. W. Clear

25 Sowed young Orchard with Prussian blue peas & some black oats & I went to Flavius & to AB's to tell them that A Hoover's wife on 8th Con Pickering died sudden last night. I & W Planted Corn 1/2 {acre?} PM. J rolled Peas & Oats. W. Cooler Clear.

26 Went to Funeral of A Hoover's wife sermon by J Stakely in German & J Tatton in english. Went to Finlaws & to Saml Hoover's W. fine Clear

27 Drew some rails to fence little Orchard AM washed sheep PM. W. warm Clear

28 I went to Markham AM helped W draw dung on Potatoe ground PM. W. fine Clear

May 1870 June

Sunday 29 All went to Meeting at Hebron remarks & sermon on st John 5C 1st till 20 V by Rev Jos Barkey visitors Jesse Reesor & family S Lehman & family JB's & AB's W Clear

30 I to 12 bus grist to Cedar Grove Mills & Cut potatoes & boys spread dung on potatoe ground AM Planted some PM W Clear

31 Finished Planting potatoes AM I sheared sheep PM W drew stones off meadow & brought grist home PM W Clear

June 1 Worked at Bell post. bought a bell off GT Bainbridge {or Bambridge?} on Saturday for \$10.00 payable in soft wood next winter ~~is~~ boys laid up fence round little orchard & I made bars to go into fallow field back of garden PM. raised bell post tonight W. Clear

2 I didnt do much. didnt feel well to Physic W drew stones off fallow J harrowed sod fallow East half of big meadow that W broke up this spring W warm rained a little at noon

3 Took my Mother to JD's & brought her home W sowed some Plaster on new Clover then began to draw dung on fallow J Pulled weeds in wheat W. warm clear

4 I Cultivated harrowed & rolled turnip ground boys drew dung W. very warm Clear

Whit Sunday 5 I went to JD's this morning to see how {Ruhannah?} is She had scarlet fever but is better then we went to Flavius. W. some fine showers today & a heavy one tonight

Whit Monday 6 I & Flavius went to dead water of Rouge to fish with hook & line I caught 14 & Flavius 11 a nice mess apiece W. warm Clear

7 Cleaned 45 bus 34 lbs Wheat AM I took it to Cedar Grove Mills PM @ \$1.08 cts boys drew dung on turnip ground PM Cleaned another load Wheat after supper W. wam looks like a shower tonight

8 Took 46 bus 45 lbs Wheat to Cedar Grove AM Finlaws were here today. I & Nancy went to Mrs Davies' Funeral at Cedar Grove PM. W. warm Clear

9 Took 24 bus 17 lbs Wheat to Cedar Grove AM. I & little girls & boys Cleaned some Wheat for Grist PM. W. fine Shower last night warm today. a little shower at supper

10 Cleaned tailings AM. W. Commenced to plow turnip ground & J spread dung on it & I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM I went to JD's after supper W. heavy rain AM Cloudy PM

1870

June 11 brought home about 75 Cedar trees from Tait's Swamp & Planted about half of them along east side of lane W. rain this morning & very heavy shower's PM

Sunday 12 at home Br S's N's & CB's were here W. Clear

13 Planted the rest of the Cedar trees & Cleaned chips out of wood shed I went to BSS PM W heavy rain last night & this morning Clear today. things growing fine the spring Crops looked pretty small before the rains

14 boys plowed turnip ground I spread dung & shot a black squirrel & a pidgeon in old bush there are a good few pidgeons around. Cleaned away trash & plowed 3 furrows along board fence along Scarboro board fence this evening W. Clear

15 boys drew dung. I worked on Markham roads T Sanderson Pathmaster. W. fine. warm

{16 I} & W worked on road with team drawing gravel J harrowed turnip ground & sod fallow W Clear

17 I & W worked on road with team AM W finished with shovel loading gravel PM & I went to Markham PM. W. warm Clear

18 Finished drawing dung on fallow & W Commenced to plow W. Clear

Sunday 19 at home. AB's were here PM W. very warm

20 W made about half of turnip drills AM J Plowed W Plowed PM I went to Dr on foot AM sowed turnips PM W very warm

21 I chored rolled turnip drills & spread dung JB's were here PM W. Cooler Clear

22 Went to Br inlaw Simon Hoover's & to JB's W. warmer

23 Spread dung & Chored AM. Made a stone boat brought some 5 in tile for {to?} cross end of line {I?} brought turnip drill from McCreights PM boys finished fallow & W made some drills W. very warm clear

24 Finished sowing turnips went the Jesse Reesors after with Petition for grant of money for 11th Con boys went to Party on 3rd Con of Pickering PM W about the warmest day this season

25 W drew out Cordwood J is sick I chored my son John is Pretty sick with bad stomach W. slight shower this morning very warm

June July 1870

Sunday 26 Meeting at Hebron & went to Dr this AM. My son John is worse. W. very warm

(July 1870)

27 W Cut road round Clover near Hoovers. boys drew Out wood & I Chored & went to BSS
PM John is some better W. very very warm

28 I mowed near Hoover's until supper. boys piled pea straw back of Old barn & Scuffled
Corn & some Potatoes. W very warm. fine shower after supper

29 Finished Mowing until about 3 PM W banked new board fence west of lane AM Scuffled
Potatoes & hilled some Corn PM. W fine Cooler

30 raked & Cocked Meadow light Crop Finlaws were here hoed some Corn until Supper fine
rain after supper. rainy yet

July 1 boys Crossed Sod fallow I chored went to Cedar Grove PM. AB's were here for
Supper W. fine Clear

2 Stacked Meadow. Steele built stack Flavius man helped AM. I & little boys fetched Chop
from Cedar Grove Mills after supper & Caught some Catfish at S.M. W. fine Cool Clear

Sunday 3 at home Nancy went to Meeting at Widemans with Br C W. fine Clear

4 Went to Old John Stovers to see for a girl for My Mother AM Plowed potatoes with Shovel
plow PM W. fine clear ~~rain last night~~

5 went to Dr Mc. AM & to J Stovers for Sarah Ann PM. W. pretty warm rain last night

6 Mowed little meadow & finished plowing potatoes & some of Corn. W. pretty warm

7 Chored brought load of edgings after supper W. Shower last night rainy today MN's were
here last night setting up with Lizzie. we have to sit up with her every night this good while

8 Went to S Lehman's J harrowed big fallow W Cut thistles in Scarboro. raked part of little
meadow after supper. W. fine Clear

9 I mowed 5 acres big meadow in less than 5 hours boys drew in little meadow 5 loads. W.
Clear {fine}

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July 1870

July 10 at home AB's were here at supper W. clear

cocked last of hay W. Cloudy AM rain PM. heavy tonight

fixed end of lane put big tiles through it & turnpikes

W Commenced to Cross big fallow I & children went {to Br} S's to Pick a few berries PM. J
thinned turnips W. pretty warm

boys Plowed AM I chored Drew in 5 loads hay {page torn} Simon Hoovers were here PM. W.
Clear, heavy {rain} after supper

Scuffled & hoed turnips AM I & J Drew in 3 loads PM & W helped Br C's Uncle D Burkholders were {here} at noon W. fine Clear. Finished haying today

{page torn} turnips took in few rakings W. fine. few drops rain PM

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July 1870

Sunday 17 at home all day JD's were here awhile this evening W. pretty warm

18 Boys Plowed AM I took Nancy to Dillers to {illegible Piecing? page torn} I & Boys helped Br N draw in hay PM I went {to} Meeting at Whitevale this evening. W. very warm

19 Cut new land Soules Wheat W. very warm

20 Boys Plowed. I chored. W. very sultry. Heavy thunder & wind storm this {evening?}

21 Helped Br C cut his fall wheat & some barley J Plowed PM. W. fine. Clear

22 Finished one piece barley for Br C AM. Cut our Treadwell wheat PM. W. warm slight shower {PM? page torn}

23 Went to Dr Mc for Lizzie AM she is worse. {illegible, page torn} JD this evening W. very warm

July Aug 1870

Sunday July 24 at home. Meeting at Hebron. Visitors Rev H Barkey's JD's & S Lehman's W. warm

25 boy Plowed awhile J finished scuffling turnips I chored & killed a sheep W. mild

26 Drew in Soules Wheat new land 3 loads AM W plowed & I brought home grist PM W. warm showers at noon

27 I & Nancy went to Br inlaw M Ns W. Shower last night warm today

28 I & Br C cut nearly all west half of big barley field Boy finished hoeing turnps second time J harrowed sod fallow PM. W. foggy this morning very warm shower this evening

29 Chored made trough in hogpen boys cut thistles & drew out wood W. Cool

30 Drew in Treadwell Wheat 5 good loads & Cut a little barley after supper I went to Uncle JS Reesor & got a tooth pulled this evening W. Clear fine

3 Sunday 31 at home all day W. fine Warm

August 1 Drew in 4 loads barley rained at 3 PM I & Nancy & little boys went to JDs boys brought another load barley this evening

2 I & W cut barley nearly finished big field J harrowed Sod fallow. W. pretty warm. Clear

3 Chored AM boys harrowed in fallow PM I went to BSS. after supper W. Drizzly AM heavy shower at supper time Uncle Joe's were here last night

4 Boys finished harrowing fallow & we {turned?} some barley & boys helped Br C Draw in barley after supper. Poor Lizzy Died today at noon I went to Cedar Grove PM. W. fine Clear

5 Buried Lizzie. Sermon by Rvd H Barkey on St Mat. 18 C 1st to 5th V. W. Shower PM Boys drew in a load of barley this evening. too wet

6 helped Flavius draw dung AM. I & J cut the last of barley. Drew in 10 loads barley PM Br Cs men helped with team. W. Clear

Sunday 9 We all & Mother went to Br Ns W Clear

8 I & Nancy went to Markham AM turned barley & finished drawing in PM 4 loads. Br C's men helped after supper. W. heavy rain last night. warm today

Aug 1870

August 9 W helped CB thresh J Raked Some stubble I & Br C cut part of Oats in field back of Cider house W. some slight showers warm

10 Finished Cutting & binding Oats behind Cider house. W. fine Clear

11 J finished raking barley stubble then we drew it in 2 big loads. also a few loads of Oak Cordwood out of Scarboro Pasture I went to Cedar Grove this evening War has been declared between France & Prussia a few engagements have taken place in which Prussia has been victorious. W. very warm Clear

12 Pulled Foxtail out of Potatoes AM. J cut thistles I & W. Drew out big stones in fallow & Started some drains with Plow. W. fine Clear

13 I helped Flavius thresh boys Plowed ~~shob~~ shoveled drains W. fine Cool. drizzly rain awhile AM

Sunday 14 Went to Meeting at Widemans Remarks by Rev H Barkey Sermon on {blank space} by Br C. Went to Jos Barkeys after Service & to Finlaws for tea W. fine. Cool. Clear

15 Drew in Oats back of Cider house 7 big loads. W. Clear

16 Commenced to pull peas with horse rake Nancy & my Mother went to Old Samuel Hoover's he is very Poorly W. fine warm Clear

17 Finished Pulling peas till supper W. very heavy wind warm

18 I & Nancy went to Markham to Dr Nancy is not very well W. Drew in Peas for his Father with our team I & J turned our Peas & Drew in 2 loads PM W. very warm

19 Drew in 8 loads of Peas. W. light rain after supper last load was very small

20 Drew in 6 loads of Peas which finishes them W. Cool clear boys drew stones off fallow this morning

Sunday 21 All went to Meeting at Hebron Remarks by Br C Sermon on St Mat 5 C 20 to 28 V by Rev Jos Barkey Visitors after Service Br inlaw Saml Hoover & family JB's at supper. W. pretty warm. Clear

22 M Dyke dug drain I helped him W helped Br C draw Peas AM helped drain PM J helped Br C PM. W. cool rather Cloudy like rain

23 All drained AM. rainy PM I, Nancy & little boys Went to AB's & I went to BSS PM. W. Cloudy AM rain PM

24 Chored AM Drained PM. W. rain AM Cloudy PM Great Prussian Victory reported

Aug 1870 Sept

August 25 I brought reaper from Br C's Cut a few rounds AM Shower at noon drained PM. W. warm

26 Cut Oats. W. Just about Cold. north wind

27 Finished binding & Shocking Oats & Finished drains Put in about 1000 tiles. W. warmer. Clear

Sunday 28 All went to Meeting at Widemans 14 Converts were Baptised today Viz Saml Hoover & wife on 7th con Markham John Hoover & wife Altona. Joseph Grove & wife Saml Lehman & wife Mongolia. Saml Brownspringer & wife. Menno Burkholder & wife John Ramer Ringwood & Susan Burkholder. Revd T Moyer was there today. we went to S Lehman's after service W. a little showry coming home

29 Drew off stones. AM boys began ridging up PM W. windy cool

30 I helped JD thresh. boys plowed w. fine cool

31 I & Nancy went to Dr AM I went to Duncans PM boys plowed. W pretty warm

Sept 1 I Plowed. boys helped Br S thresh with team. W fine

2 I & J finished Plowing AM threshed {floor?} of Peas with horses W helped Br C log. W warm AM heavy Showers PM

3 Sowed fallow with Wheat. 8 acres. half Treadwell & half Soules. W. Cloudy AM heavy rain PM

Sunday 4 ST Moyer & wife D Hoover & wife & CB's were here awhile AM. Then we went to Br S's Flavius were here at supper. W Cool. Clear roads Muddy News came That the Prussians have taken the French Emperor Napoleon Prisoner & defeated his Armies & wounded General McMahan

5 Drew W furrowed out wheat AM Drew in 6 loads Oats PM. W. fine Clear

6 Drew last Oats 5 loads & a load of Prussian Peas & a few Oats out of young Orchard which finishes our harvest. W. fine Clear

7 Chored AM I shot 3 squirrels & 1 yesterday I & Nancy went to Whitevale factory & exchanged our wood for Cloth boys Drew home wood PM W rainy AM clear warm PM

8 Chored & shot 3 squirrels with 3 bullets AM I & Br C Cut Clover seed awhile PM W helped T Sanderson thresh J Drew stones of young Clover in barley stubble W. Clear

9 I & J Cut Cut Clover seed & W helped Sanderson thresh AM I nearly finished Cutting seed PM when heavy splashing rain came about 4 o'clock {page corner folded}

Sept 1870

Sept 10 I & Nancy went to Markham AM Boys drew dung on Oats Stubble behind Cider house I & W finished Cutting seed after supper I & Isaac Reesor went shooting squirrels about an hour PM I shot a squirrel & a Pidgeon W. fine Clear roads muddy

Sunday 11 Went to Old A Burkholders W. fine Clear

12 I & J Drew Duncans hay W drew dung. W fine Clear

13 Drew in Clover seed 6 loads W. fine Clear

14 W Drew a load of lumber to Fmans bay for Br C J Commenced to plow in Oat stubble Behind Cider house I chored & brought some planks for bridge at our Corner. it broke down today. W. fine Clear

15 I & Br N fixed bridge AM Spread dung PM boys Plowed. W. warm. rained this evening

16 Chored AM Boys Plowed PM. & I & A Purdy drew out railcuts & sawlogs in Scarboro bush W heavy rain last night. & drizzly AM

17 I went to see N Burkholder to thresh AM Went shooting squirrels awhile PM with Colon Reesor. I shot three W finished Plowing behind Cider house & Commenced in East end of barley stubble J Commenced in sod fallow W. fine a little cloudy

Sunday 18 Went to Meeting appropriate Sermon by Rev J {illegible Web?} & Br C for the Celebration of the Lords supper Visitors after Service. Finlaws. M Neighswander's JH Ramer's AB's S Lehman's D Neighswanders JB's & Simon Hoover's & G Lehman's at supper W. fine Clear Beautiful

19 I shot a black squirrel & Chored AM Took 48 bus 45 lbs old barley to Fmans bay @ 78cts per bus PM W. Clear

20 Took 53 bus 45 lbs Old barley @ 78 cts W. fine Clear

21 Chored AM. Went to Whitevale PM W. fine Clear

22 I & Nancy went to Markham AM & loaded waggon with Cider apples PM W. fine Clear

23 I & J & little boys made 2 1/2 barrels Cider at P Lapps new Cider Press AM boiled PM. W helped Br N thresh AM & Br C PM W. fine AM rainy PM

24 Boiled Sauce. boys helped Br C thresh. W. rainy warm

Sunday 25 All went to CB's & to JD's PM they {have gone?} to Ohio & my Mother is there keeping house. W {rain AM?}

26 boys Plowed. I asked hands to thresh & chored. W. clear

{illegible, corner folded} machine Burkholder threshed 30 bus Oats & 133 Barly {then they illegible}

Sept

Sept 27, 1870 This is my 34th birthday W. fine Clear

28 I & little boys John & Flavius went to Fmanbay seen the Cars running & the lake & bay & Schooners. a great sight for the boys. Chored PM. Started about 6 oclock PM went to M Neighswanders Junr to stay all night W. Clear

29 I & Nancy & Martin & his wife started about 4 AM for the Township of Scott went through Garibaldi & Goodwood up the 4 con of Uxbridge to Sandford in Scott {&?} to Rudolph Moyers at dinner. a fine Country then started at 1 PM by way of East Gwillimbury by Mount Albert Ballintrae {Ballantrae} Lake Musselman & Stouffville to MNs & staid all night W fine untill sunset when it Commenced to rain from east

30 went home. machine just ready to start when we Came threshed 233 bus barley W. east rain all day

Oct 1 Chored & went to Cedar Grove AM & to AB's went to Job letting on 11th Con PM W Cleared up

{Oct 1870}

5 I & AB went to Conrad Swalms AM to get our boots repaired AM then walked to John Shinks {or Shirks} on the 8th Con of the same Township then he (Mr Shenk {or Shirk}) went with his buggy & brought the women & we staid all night W. fine Cleared up

6 a whole waggon load of us went to the town of Collingwood on the Georgian bay 5 miles from Mr Shirks it is a beautiful place with Considerable business large sawmill Grist mills & {Tanneries?} returned with Brillingers who took us to Abraham Doners where we staid all night W. fine. Clear

7 Abraham Doner Took us to Stayner Station this morning where we took the Cars for Thornhill Where we arrived about 10 AM Where after some waiting Old AB met us & brought us home where we found all our family well. Blessed be God for the same. & we enjoyed our short trip very much. W. fine Clear warm

8 boys Finished digging Potatoes they dug some & plowed wheat stubble while I was away. W. Clear

Sunday 9 we all went to Meeting at Cedar Grove remark by Br C Sermon on {blank space} by Rd H Barky went to John {illegible, page folded} after service W. fine warm Clear

{Oct} 1870

10 I & W drew in hay stack J helped Br N dig potatoes W got Frank & Dick Shod PM W. fine Clear

11 Went to Finlaws to a quilting W. rain AM Clear PM

12 Thanksgiving day. W went to Toronto I & J Cleaned a load of barley AM. Picked a few partly rotted potatoes for Pig feed & I went to Br S's PM W. rain at noon

13 I took 45 bus 22 lbs barley to Fmans bay @ 79 cts Per Bus boys Picked Potatoes & apples & Cleaned a load of barley W. cool a shower PM

14 I took 56 bus 11 lbs barley to FMans bay at 70 cts per bus boys went to Markham Fair W. fine Clear

15 W Took 47 bus 40 lbs barley to Fmans bay at 70 cts per bus I went to Duncans with Adeline to get her foot measured AM went to Br S's to see Circular cut logs PM he got a Leffle Turbine Wheel in it works pretty well. W. fine warm sold a 2 yr old & a 1 yr old heifer to A Wideman for \$50.00 six months credit

Sunday 16 Went to Meeting at Hebron remarks by Br C Sermon on St Mat 22nd Chap 1st to 15th V by Rd H Barkey Deacon Jas Hoover from Cayuga was there John & Jesse Hoover were here after service & Br N's at supper W. fine Clear

17 I took 48 bus 24 lbs barley to bay. stored it W rainy AM

18 Picked winter apples. W high Cold NW wind Deacon Jas Hoover from Cayuga was here with his daughter AM

Oct 1870

Oct 19 I & little boys went to Markham for new boots for them AM Picked apples for Cider PM W Commenced Plowing sod west half of Old Meadow W. Cler Cool raining some this evening

20 I & J made about 70 gals cider at P Lapps AM I boiled & J Picked apples PM W. Cloudy, shower PM

21 I finished boiling Sauce W. a little showry AM

22 I helped Josephus Stover & D Hoover Junr dig a grave at Hebron for Jacob Shank Junr AM went to his funeral PM Sermon by Rev H Barkey & Rvd Mr Kennedy Br C officiated at the house W. Cold wind west

Sunday 23 We all & my Mother went to ABs W. cold East wind. Clear PM

24 Made 53 gals Cider at P Lapps AM S Lehman's were here when we came home Then I & him went to bay with my horse PM W fine Clear. J Pulled turnips PM

25 I went to F {Baldries?} for Thresher I my Brother C & Flavius Reesor bought a threshing machine out & out from {Baldrie?} for \$100 Cash W. Cloudy. Drissy rain AM. pretty heavy PM

26 I & little boys took home Baldrie's trucks we had them to bring thresher home. I went to Old John Stovers PM. W. Clear. fine. Cool

27 Finished Cleaning barley & boys threshed some peas W plowed awhile PM. W rainy until about 2 PM

28 boys Pulled turnips I chored AM Went to Michael Burkholders sale PM. bot Grindstone & Irons @ 30 cts W. Clear

29 All Pulled turnips. nearly finished. W. fine Clear

Oct 1870

Sunday Oct 30 at home Br S's & JD's were here W Clear blow from east Commenced to rain about 4 PM heavy tonight

31 I killed pig & boys threshed Peas finished turnips PM W windy & cool

Novr 1 I & J helped Flavius thresh. W drew in 12 loads turnips W. fine. Clear. West wind

2 I & J helped Flavius finish threshing until about 2 PM Then helped W draw turnips W very fine. Clear drew in 14 loads

3 Finished drawing turnips 10 loads Drew in Pumpkin 1 load & brought in Cabbage & a few apples W. fine clear. but heavy wind

4 I, Nancy & My Mother went to Markham & to J H Raymers W very fine Cloudy this evening

5 I & J McGaw drew in potatoes & I went to Whitevale AM. W. Clear. cool air

Sunday 6 all went to Meeting at Cedar Grove remarks by Rev H Barkey sermon on St John 3rd C by Br C. went to Br Ns after service W. Clear. Cool Ground froze last night

7 I helped M Dyke kill a hog this morning then I & J finished drawing in potatoes. W. finished sod fallow & commenced Plowing root ground W. fine. Clear. Beautiful

8 boys Plowed root ground I Cleaned some Peas I went to Cober's to see for Matty Shank {or Shenk} to work for us PM W. rainy. AM Cloudy PM

9 I brought Matty Shenk this morning I & Nancy went to Cedar Grove PM. W. rainy AM Cold wind M N's were here at supper boys threshed AM Plowed PM

10 I went to B.S.S AM & to Cedar Grove Mills PM W. a little snow last night. Clear today. J McGaw left at noon

11 Went to Mill AM brought home thresher from Flavius

Nov 1870

Nov 11 & I & W put in some sawlogs at SM PM W. fine clear

12 I & W finished putting in logs AM I Piled some lumber & W brought home 500 tiles PM Dyke is draining new Orchard W. beautiful

Sunday 13 went to Meeting at Hebron. remarks & sermon on {blank space} by Br C. Br Ss youngsters were here after service W fine Clear

14 I & W took away lumber AM I & Nancy went to AB's for dinner then I went to W Burkholder sale bought steer calf @ \$10.00 & Fanning Mill @ \$1.00 W. Drizzly rain AM soft snow until about 2 PM Cloudy {until?} night

15 brought home Calf & mill AM. Went to Hebron to Meeting to see about fixing fence around graveyard W. cool a little squally

16 Didnt feel well AM helped to Pick 7 1/2 bus Cider apples for S Shank @ 10 cts per bus & helped Flavius kill a pig this evening W. Cool Clear

17 Drew home a load of lumber AM helped Br C draw in turnips PM W. Cool windy, raining this evening

18 I drew home wood AM drew posts & Poles to Meeting house from Flavius PM. we intend to fix the fence & Poles to tie horses on Tuesday next. W finished plowing field behind Cider house. brought in Calves from Wheat field today I had them on it a few weeks it was very {rank?} & heavy & a little lodged W. cold windy

19 All went to Br C's raising of stables W. very Cold N wind. froze up hard last night

20 I went to Meeting at J Cober's remarks by S Snider of Vaughan on 1st Peter 3 C Br Ns & Br C were here at noon & Flavius at supper W. cold wind clear

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21 I & W. worked on Scarboro roads with team AM I worked PM & W. deepened ditch south of graveyard W. fine. Clear. pretty Cold

22 I & W helped at Bee to make new fence along front of Hebron Graveyard W. Cold East wind. Sleet storm tonight

23 Chored tied up Cattle to feed brought in Sheep went to Cedar Grove PM. W. about 8 inches snow last night. pretty good sleighing. Cler today

24 Helped AB kill hogs W. Mild. Cloudy snow getting soft

25 Went to AB's & Walkeys with Br C to give his Colt a drive AM Drew home wood PM. W thawing

26 I went to Duffin's Creek AM W threshed Peas Took away some lumber PM. W. soft. Clear

Sunday 27 All went to JD's with Sleigh. snow about gone this evening clear

29 helped Br. S's Butcher. W. mild cler roads bad

30 helped Br C. Butcher. W. mild Cler

Decr 1 helped Flavius Butcher. W. mild. Cler

2 helped JD's Butcher. W. fine Cler

3 I went to Flavius & to AB's AM Chored PM W. fine. Indian summer

Sunday 4 at home. AB's were here W. mild cloudy

5 helped Br N's Butcher W. Cloudy rainy PM

6 Went to Cedar Grove & Chored W. heavy rain last night windy today water high

7 killed our hogs 6. 5 for use & one for Packing for sale W. cloudy mild

8 Salted meat AM. Took some Peas to Br Ns PM W cold wind

9 Chored. helped RW Clean some Peas. W. froze pretty hard

10 had RW to saw pine stub for Oven wood AM Went to Cedar Grove PM. W. Cold froze hard

Sunday 11 at home. Meeting at Hebron I & Nancy had to stay with Baby. he is not well. Ruhannah Diller was here after Service W. Cold. Clear

12 Chored. W. about six inches snow last night soft snow AM. rain & snow PM thawing pretty fast. mild

13 Went to Markham & to JH Ramer's to get Emmaline to work. she is not well. Couldnt come W. Cler thawing soft

14 Took sow to Flavius AM brought home a load of {corner of page folded or missing} PM tough sleighing

15 {illegible, page folded} a load of lumber AM Chored PM

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16 Chored. & Made mangers for Calves Br C helped W pretty cold

17 Got Frank & Jess Shod. all round. W. Cold thin sleighing

Sunday 18 at home Br S's & JD's were here W. mild. Cler AB's were here awhile PM

19 Went to H Longs this morning to see for Janet McGaw to work. Chored today W. mild. snow from East & storm tonight Commenced about 7 OC

20 brought Janet McGaw to work at \$4.00 per Month Then had RW Br N. & Flavius & his man Ceph Stover with team to draw Oats out of old barn into new W. fine Clear

21 threshed with our Machine went first rate threshed 196 bus Oats & 127 wheat W. pretty cold clear

22 I & Nancy went to Br S's I was to help to kill a beef didnt kill it. then went to C Cook's sale W. Coldest of the season

23 helped Flavius kill a beef AM Took 30 bus 53 lbs Soules Wheat to Cedar Grove Mills @ \$1.15ct per bus PM W. Cold had Oyster supper with Isaac Reesor tonight

24 helped Br S kill a beef AM Drew some wood PM W. very cold

Sunday 25 Christmas day. at home all day Br N was here awhile PM. W. Cold. Commenced to snow this evening

26 helped Br S thresh with team W. very Cold

27 helped Br S thresh W. very Cold Finlaws were here this evening

28 Took Nancy to Dykes AM & went to Br S's Took chop to Cedar Grove Mills & brought Nancy home PM. W very cold

29 Took timber to M. Burkholders for a new sleigh AM brought home chop PM. W. very very Cold last night coldest of the season

30 Drew a load of wood to Walkey AM. Chored PM W. snow from East all day

31 Chored AM. Helped Br N cut sheaves PM. W. mild some snow AM. good sleighing. about a foot of snow

January 1st 1871 I & Nancy went to Meeeting at Cedar Grove left family at Br Cs remarks by Rev H Barkey sermon on St Luke {blank space} by Br C. W. mild. Clear

2 Went to Simon Hoover's. W. heavy west wind. Clear

3 Simon Hoover's were here went Rabbit Shooting {in} Flavius' Swamp seen plenty. guns missed fire & {illegible, corner of page folded} the shots missed. didnt get any W. heavy {illegible, corner of page folded} {from} west all day. pretty Cold

{4 illegible, corner of page folded} our beef AM & Br C's PM W. pretty Cold

{5 illegible, corner of page folded} to Markham AM Drew a load of wood PM {illegible stars?} this evening W milder

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