

Diary.
March 1847.

30 Cows to Lawrence

- March 1st. Arranged with Parkinson, Butcher, for himself & Lawrence, Butcher to take from Chestnut 30 Cows, the refuse of the Breed Mead: Recd £50 for 10 of them, (to be picked out of 40,) and £5 deposit on the remain^g 20. - Advised that they should have as many of the better mothers, (average 50lbs) as they wanted at 9/- My Father would rather let them have them at 10/- to be drawn in equal quantities, now, 15th of Apr^l & 31st of May. Kept 7 1/2 of Silvers & gave 2 lbs £48. - Retired Henry at £12 25 lbs sugar & 2/- for Harvest.
- " 2nd Seth finish^d Kitchen chimney. - Gilham fixing case of Kitchen cistern. -
- " 3rd Seth finished " " - Gilham fixing Rafters of Barn. - Jones at Leadwork &c. of cistern & valleys. - Letter from W. Buckland about Hutchins School: - Shingles commenced work. -
- " 4th Watered oval with troughs. - Difficulty with Goose Russell - Answered W. Buckland's letter. - Design not rec^d from W. Kay. -
- " 5th Heavy Rain. - Prevented going to Lameston - Gilham at Sky light. - Arranged for Wright the Plasterer to come & repair Roman cement work. -
- " 6th Heavy Rain till 11 o'clock. - Retired Butler at £11 value of New Bodd^g. -
- " 7th Sunday. -
- " 8th (Exchanged 5 years old Mare, for 2 years old colt with Jls giving £5) - Went to Parshanger. - W. Loasey explained his Farm Accounts, and took memo: of our Wool Press. - Gilham fixing Sky light. - Store sheep in. -
- " 9th Preparing studling to rooms over Scullery &c. - Repair^d Verandah. - Jones at cistern & pipes. - Gogam from Chestnut. - Stronach complain^g of men not hav^g been sent up to the harvest in Lameston telling my Father they were required last time I came from Chestnut.
- " 10th Went to Lameston. - Ordered Slops from Reed's, for Chestnut and Washers. - Silk Hdkfs from Bennett & Sons for same. - Sugar & Tea for Washers. - Saw Butchers about fat Stock &c. - Wright having commenced on the 9th, still at Roman cement work. -
- " 11th Wright finished his job - paid him 17/6. - Jones finished the pipes of cistern; - Gilham battering N. side of Kitchen &c. Roof. - Seth helping Jones. - Heavy rain with thunder & lightning at night. -
- " 12th Sergeant Butcher at Wandale, about fat sheep. - Arranged for his

Lameston

Wright

Sargent

Cultivations

Turnips

Laying down

14th

£30 W. 15th
to Parkinson
to Morrison

Grass seed

Peace

sent by
Cupful 16th

taking 200 Wethers from Cheshunt at 10/- to be left at Woolmers
 and drawn 40 per week, commencing on the 19th inst. to pay for 100
 at a time before drawing them. With my Father's consent.
 Went over cultivated ground with Mr Rostie, who advised that
 the Lower Stony Point should be summer-fallowed with a view
 to lay it down in the Autumn; and that the upper part of the
 One Mile Bend should also be laid down; and also the
 whole of the Barley ground; - the 45 acre Paddock at Lower
 Farm to be put in Turnips, and the 60 acres to be summer-fallowed.
 My Father opposed to any Turnips, and requiring wheat sown on
 all the ground not laid down. - I mentioned the necessity
 of having plenty of Turnips to keep sheep in good condition
 for the winter market; and advised that a large outlay
 should be made at once if necessary to get as much land
 as possible laid down. - Paid Stephen Gasford, Shingler,
 for 23 1/2 Syles of shingling £4.00.0. - [Eight days work, 2 Shinglers in weather]
 Sunday. - [Memo: Shingled 3 1/2 Syles in 1 1/2 Shinglers with 1 day
 Parkinson to say that he threatens will take the 430 Wethers
 left by Sargent, part next week & the remainder by the 1st May: -
 Arranged ^{by L.C.} that 250 Bushels of Grapesud should go to Fairfields, and
 200 be sown at Woolmers, on Barley ground & Hackyard Paddock:
 None to be sown on the upper part of One Mile Bend; my Father
 saying it will fail, Mr Rostie the contrary. - Videmus! -
 Peace complains that he could not get at the rails in the
 stringy Park Wood to draw them without endangering his
 bullocks: - Told him to get them as he best could. - That
 the Splitter must bear the extra expense. - Mr Nicholson
 at Woolmers - & Mr R. Douglas - Dined at Brickendon, -
 Cusells lives in the yard: - several breaking after the rain: -
 Best lives from Top Paddock in; - Cheque for £25 to R. Douglas. -
 Team from Cheshunt with oats, butter, honey & cheese: - The boxes
 dined here today. - Sent 2 bags of clover seed to Brickendon.
 Let the paving Scullery - Gilham, at room our Scullery. - Mr Davidson
 showed the Messrs box over Washhouse &c. - Scrubs in, from

17th

Back in
by Culshull
W. Davidson

Good
Shovel

W. Cox's
Pump

Lanncoston

W. Williams

W. Reed
Cheshunt

Wile Bend; - one breaking. - Mr Davidson started for
Cheshunt this morning - he engaged as Ganser with my
Father at an increasing salary £75 the first year and £25
additional every year up to £200. - Ten one year -

(Memo: - Gorse drew from Beehives, 9 Stags & 15 Melms that had escaped
from Stone Sheep on Plain - back to the Plain on 16th inst.) -
Wrote to Mr Stronach, by Mr Davidson, to send Gardner, down, with
brown colt for carriage. - Mr Cox stated, that his hand-pump
with one man could throw up 224 galls of water in 15 minutes
40 feet high. - To go into Lanncoston tomorrow.

18th Went into Lanncoston. Saw Marreney, & Parkinson & gave them a
note to Mr Stronach to get 10 more of the cows and to mark 400 of
the best Melms, to be run off, and to be taken away, 200 on the
5th of April and 200 on the 1st of May. - Recd £50 for the 10 cows & gave it
to Mr Denny for Mr Crook's to pay into Union Bank. - Saw Bransgrove &
arranged to let him know the condition of the best Melms & the ewes.
Saw Syall & arranged for his being at Cheshunt on Wednesday to
see sheep & cattle. - Ordered Keg of Tobacco 200 lbs at 2/3 from "Brook's".
Sett with Tho Williams & gave him a discharge.

19th Recd note from W.W.A. to say Mr Bartley wanted to know about
my sheep. - Sett rendering the small room above Scullery.
Rode to Hairfield, Weston & Paton. at Waulmans. - Mr H. Reed.


20th Spoke with Mr Reed about my going to live at Cheshunt. - &
told him I thought that if the estate were stocked with
4000 sheep, I could pay a rent for it of £900 per annum. -
Intended to go to the Parsonage, Perth to remain till Sunday
afternoon, but prevented. - Rode to Perth to say so.

21st Sunday.

22nd Arranged for work to be done during my absence at Cheshunt.
Lilham & Letts to finish Washhouse & Room over it. - Left
with Joe for Cheshunt at half past 3 of clock & reached Westbury
to remain the night. J. Sytherton with us.

23rd Proceeded to Cheshunt and called on the way at Deloraine.
Saw Mr Courtney and arranged to go to the Falls of the Meander.

Mr C. provided Tea, Sugar, Bacon, Rice, 3 Quarts, Pepper & Salt, 3 Mutton
Pies, a little Wine in 2 small flasks, and a Tomahawk. He and
Rev^d W Williams accompanied us to Chestnut; - Mr C. lost his rice
on the way, while cantering, and it was scattered about like
the story of Mr Dumaresq's brains. - Found Mr Davidson
far from well, and asked Mr W. to send up a Probationer
Doctor who practised, it appeared, sub rosea: - Went to look
at the young horses and was much pleased with them; I
thought of the contrast between them and their predecessors the
descendants of Darby & Ploughboy. - Ramble looking three
young Bulls looking well &c. - 3 and 4 years old Steers in
24th good condition: - Mr Littleton returned to Westbury and hired
a Wheelwright named James Hall in my name. - Engaged
a Bricklayer, named Bruce to put up the chimneys and
to finish the brickwork, plastering &c. - Started for the
Falls of the Meander; Mr Courtney, Gov, myself on horseback,
and each having a blanket containing several parcels of tea,
sugar, salt &c. strapped on our shoulders; - we were
preceded by Porter, Shaw, & Blackaby who had to carry
7 blankets enclosing sundry catables & paninkins, but
of which I relieved him until we reached the Meander,
after passing across Huntsman's Bottom and several
creeks. - Having arrived at the river we forthwith
commenced our march, sending back the horses with
Porter & Shaw saddling Blackaby with his load. -
We had now been 2 hours from Chestnut. - On we
trudged from stone to stone, sometimes deviating
from the bed of the stream to avoid small rapids
or basins for 2 hours, when we lunched on bread &
cheese and then plodded on for 4½ hours more, at the
end of which time the Falls greeted our longing eyes
after having almost despaired of seeing them during
the 2 last hours of our journey, owing to the many
deviations in the channel of the river, and for a long

time no prospect of a height beyond being sufficiently
to give us such a cataract as we had been led to
expect. I noticed on our way some white, red, blue, & ^{black}
purple berries, in all about 8 varieties. — neither birds
(with the exception of 2 or 3 small ones) nor beasts crossed
our path, and the country through which we passed was
very monotonous with the exception of the Meander,
itself which maintained a pleasing variety throughout.
The Falls consisted of 2 parts — the upper about 280 feet
high falling from broken rocks in 3 divisions into
a basin about 50 feet diameter from which the
lower fall descended about 220 feet. My companions
however thought the total height not more than 300 feet.
We bivouacked about 60 yards from the foot of the
Falls and having partaken of tea & mutton pies
&c as well as chops, cooked on flat stones, arranged
our beds by cutting off soft leaved branches of
adjoining trees and shewing them on the ground.
A blanket placed on this & 2 throws over the body
completed the sleeping places of my Brother, Mrs. & I
rolled myself up in a double blanket, leaving the
servant the same. — A thick mist towards the
morning compelled us to erect a tent, by setting
up a pole & rod and spreading a double blanket
over it like the roof of a house thus: 

25th Next morning on trying to ascend to the top of the Falls up
a gorge in the mountain we were obliged to retrace
our steps, on account of a rock obstructing the way,
and to scramble round the side of the ascent; after
some trouble, and wet from the knees downwards,
we reached the summit and instead of seeing a
fine lake as we supposed, we found the river
continuing its course along a rocky channel as
far as the eye could reach, or rather as far as

Falls

fresh heights would permit us to see. We got back to
breakfast below the Falls disgusted with our evening
excursion, but more delighted than ever with the splendid
cateract before us. We started homewards at about
10 o'clock and reached the place where the horses were
to have met us at 5 o'clock, but after coaxing for some
time it was ascertained that no horses were forthcoming
and we determined, (though I should have preferred keeping
to the River's bed) to let Blackaby guide us home
by the way we came. Accordingly he set off and
in about an hour succeeded in fixing us inextricably
in a fern-tree scrub, from which escape appeared impossible
and he showed his incompetency; therefore I undertook
to pilot them out of it with the compass, which I
should have infallibly done, had not Blackaby fancied
he saw a hill on which he had been splitting to the
north of us, and said, if he reached that, he could
shortly take us home; it was agreed, (I unwilling) to
let him try, and he continued in a short time to
involve us worse than ever, it being now dark.
when we pulled up he was making East and
had we gone on would no doubt have completed
the points of the compass. — We were now in a close
dark damp most miserable looking situation, to pass
a night in which would have been next door to death,
therefore we made another start and in about
200 yards or so, came to an open space, in
which we resolved to keep the night, bread &
& water left, but with a good fire. — While Mr. B.
& my Brother, who were much fagged, especially Mr. B., whose legs
were what Miss Squeers called "a mass of bruises", while they
warmed themselves & rested, I started with Blackaby
through the rough forest in the dark, in search of water,
taking care to keep in sound of whistle. We tramped &

scrambled at risk of eyes & limbs for half an hour or more without success, and reluctantly returned to the fire; - when about to return I found Blackie's head quite lost the right direction, and thought indeed that the fire was in an opposite position to where it was. Though the ground was very damp, we managed to sleep tolerably having cut up some Dogwood branches for our beds, and next morning started at a little after six o'clock in a N.W. direction by compass which brought us after some rough work to a creek of delicious water, on a little space in the middle of which I made a fire & boiled some rice which appeased our hunger; it indeed quite set me up again. - I now took the lead, in confidence, along the bank of the creek, and in course of time brought our party into view of Cummins's Head & Rumbly's Bluff, and on to a plain which gave assurance of an approach to civilisation, that the sight of the Chestnut irrigation channel confirmed. Away we strode manfully now, at the rate of $\frac{1}{2}$ miles an hour and at about 11 o'clock reached home. - Rode out with Mr Shackel who had come to buy cattle for saddle to see some cows; arranged to sell him (if my Father approved) 120 steers at £4.15.0 per head. - Looked at the best times, in capital order, averaging about 46 lbs. - W.B. lost his way for 4 hours going to Deloraine.

27th Rode with Mr Davidson to see mouth of irrigating channel, and beds of Meander & pointed out to him the necessity of clearing away the old bed and preventing the river from forcing a way over our bank. - Started at about 9 o'clock for Washburn and, after stopping one hour and half at Methven, reached it at 5 o'clock. -

Return home

Mr Shackel

Mr Davidson

28th Sunday

29th. Found that 6 men had arrived from Bathlands in my absence. - Mr Syall the Butcher called about the 6 teeth Mettens & old ewes at Chestnut; offered them to him at 10/- and 8/6, he offered 10/- and 8/- for both lots, - 3 mos acceptance. He went to look at fat cows in the Point. - Gilham at boarding & Sashes - Setts paving washhouse. - Newbarpente

30th Cider making. - Allensby & 3 men. - Burton offered about 3/4 per bushel for Pearmain. - advised that they should not be sold under 4/- but to be kept for 2 mos. - Arranged to go into Lameston - and send in a bullock wagon.

31st In Lameston. - Loaded wagon with salt from Hokes, sugars, Tea, slops, soap, hair plate, chisels from Reeds, - blankets & carpeting things from Robertson. - mats from Corbetts. - Sugar (Siens) & 2 casks from Browes & Mabeau from Brooks.

Sold 6 cows at £5 and 4 calves at £1 to Syall: thought him very tricky & unbusinesslike. - Sold 260 remaining 6 teeth Mettens to be taken away within the 2 mos before specified for the first lots to be taken away in, at 10/- - 1 cask of Thaxem, and 450 out of 480 old ewes at 9/- to Parkinson to be taken away in all April. - Mr Bentley enquiring about 650 middleaged ewes - offered 9/- bill at 3 mos. - Wants not buy my sheep. - Arrived at Ritchies Ford found the wagon which on attempting to cross stuck fast near Ritchies side, bullocks became entangled & traisted, obliged to unyoke them; Moore up to his armpits roaring & swearing in the water; bullocks narrowly escaped drowning. - Moore stuck to them and got them out. - Mr Fred Walker with me, & Mr Rostie.

Sent Mr Rostie for fresh teams and chains and finally hooking chain to chain & the ends to the pole of wagon. - Fred & teams, dragged the wagon out safely. - Thank God! - Mr W. sent a team of 4 & 2 chains - saw the wagon home and had it unloaded.

Syall

Cider

Load

Lameston

Parkinson

Wagon in the Ford

April 1st - Found that some of the salt and sugar had been washed away, about £2 worth, and some wetted, but not much damage done; got the various articles into Store
Went out quail shooting with Rob' Archer, taking his dog Behoahy, and my Rutland for the first time - Pretty well only - Killed 4 brace, lost 3 birds. - Made up this journal.

1st Quail day

2nd Good Friday -
Mr Buckle
Mr Stronach

Instead of going to Church I set to work at the drawings of the Hutchins School, and finished the plans of ground floor. - Commenced the elevations: - Saw Mr Buckland in the evening & promised to send down the drawings by Wednesday's coach. - Mr Stronach came from Chestnut; Paid £82..4..0 for the year and £10 for the extra months. - He appeared quite satisfied.

3rd Public Meeting in Lameceston

Public Meeting in Lameceston on the subject of the Governor's questions concern^g Transportatⁿ. - Mr Dry & Party trying to prevent and Mr Allison & Party trying to provoke discussion. - The former carried their views for a Committee to collect information to be laid before a Public Meeting to be held in Lameceston on the 10th May, by a small majority. Mr Jones, Mr Walford, Dr Brown, Mr Bentley spoke well; but of the others who spoke, Mr Dry, Allison, Williamson, Atkinson, Barnard, &c. some spoke indistinctly and confusedly and others not to the question. - I never before heard so miserable a display of oratory; nor do I think that a Meeting could be worse conducted. - Mr Cox was patient as Chairman.

Mr Reed & Parkin

Found that Mr Reed had paid £200 into the U.B. on my father's acct. - Saw Macrems & Parkinson who tried to persuade me that they were to have the 6th letters for 9/- per head; and refused to my letter of the 25th Feb^r which said they might have the whole bar at 10/- to be taken away within 2 mos. or a portion run off at 9/- to be taken away at once. (more than 5 months ago). - Let them have the first lot of 200 at 9/6 not liking to refuse the money. - Rec^d £90 being £5 short. - To let Mr Bentley know about the lines on Wednesday gave Mr Stronach £5 for his Sisters. -

4th Sunday.

5th Gilham & mate finishing boarding Room over Laundry. Seth Cutting
Servants Room. Principally working at Hutchins School Drawg.

6th Gilham preparing boards. Seth finishing lathing of Sw^t Room &
plastering same. Hutchins School Drawings. - Parkinson
came from the Westward to say that W Davidson would not
let him have the Methus without an order. - Just as I
expected - gave him an order to get them, and arranged
that he should take the 450 old Cows away from Chestnut
on Monday or Tuesday next. - & bring them to Woolmers. - $\frac{1}{2}$
to be taken away at once, and the remainder, within a
week. - Also to take the remaining 10 cows; & to pay one
on Monday.

7th Anniversary of Wedding day. - Went to a Meeting at Longport
on the Transportⁿ Question. - Dr Paton in the Chair. Present Messrs
Weston, Willmore, Parker, Clark, Ritchie, Tausy, Bonney & myself

There were one or two others who went away - before the proceedings
were nearly finished. - After much talking ~~the~~ all but W Weston

& myself voted for an annual transport of from 1000 to 4000
Convicts. principally men. - We voted ~~for~~ Weston undecidedly,
& myself positively for the immediate cessation of Transport.

All agreed ^{as to the 3rd Question} that the convicts should remain with one master during
the term of sentence. i.e. until obtain^d F.S. - that the rate
of wages should be equal viz. £10 & food only, also to pay
 $\frac{1}{2}$ Medical Bill. - Mechanics at same jobs; Gilham working in
the house, part of the day. - Hutchins School Drawings.

8th Sent a letter by box's coach to W Buckland saying that the
Hutchins School Drawg^s would be sent down tomorrow. - Sent
Cautehouse Syringe & some books for the children to Dr Brock.

Hutchins School Drawg^s. - Finished them & block plan shows
proposed adjoining Buildg. - Gilham & mate prep^d boards
Seth finishing Sw^t Room. - Bramsgrove about fat Stock. -
None at present. W North called about buying my sheep.
Offered them at 8/6 for ewes & Methus & 4/6 Lambs each. - He

offered to give the price in Bills at 3, 6, & 9 mos; the last Bill to bear interest. - Arranged to bring down the Muttons & some Ewes to make 100 to the Sale at Glyn's yards on the 16 inst. and decide about the remainder afterwards. - (Mr Wombourne here; showed him the apples put by for him; yesterday). - 12 casks of cider made;

My sheep

9th Lambs in from "1 mile Bend"; - Improving. - My Father just heard from Mr Walker about wagon sticking in the Ford; - told me it was very silly; I said the man asserted he was well able to cross if the river had not risen more than 6 inches. - He said I sh^d have gone across & measured myself. - I said I thought there was no occasion; as the man knew ten times more about crossing the Ford with wagons than I did. - He said, I showed a great want of common sense; in answer to my saying "then I had no common sense" in reply to his saying "common sense w^d have dictated such a course".

VVVV OF JFE

Arranged Cider press - screw on one side. - Went out after lunch for 4 hours and shot over Schooley & Rutland, 4 1/2 brace of quail, and lost one bird. -

Quail

10th Letter from Mr Boutley to say he will not take the 650 Ewes. Gilham & mate flooring Servants rooms - Letter lathing room over Laundry. - Went to Shepherd at Lower Point fence. - Had in the

3 divisions of Glyn's flock, and joined the Best Ewes with those in the Lower Point. - But, earmarked & tailed 37 ~~Red~~ ~~marked~~ ~~tailed~~ 31 ewe lambs. - the former notch in right. the latter in left ear; - Grass catching. - Redman boiling Tobacco Water;

Lambs of Glyn's flock

Weight of horse shoes

Brown offered with Alvin to work up old iron into shoe moulds after hours at the rate of 2 p^{er} lb. - (memo: Cart horse shoes take 1 1/2 lb; Carriage horses 1 lb and saddle horses 14 oz. each.) -

My sheep dog Salsie ran away, towards Perth after being beaten and petted for misbehaviour; - memo: afraid thing to halt dogs for punishment. - -

11th Sunday -

12th Started for Perth in heavy rain, and went into Summerton

Parkinson
Summerton

with Mr W. Archer on the box of the "Wardens" Sadler's coach. -
Saw Marrean & Parkinson received from the latter £25
as a gift of cattle from Chestnut, viz. 10 cows & 2 steers, being £5
short for half of them. - Gave him an order on Mr Davidson
and a letter to tell Mr D. to send down the 490 old ewes &
50 of the smallest of the 650 ewes, by ^{Briggstock} ~~Bradford~~, Parkinson
engaging to pay all expenses & take all responsibility. -

Apples

Sold Pearemeins to Mr at 4/- per bushel, cash; - to take
some away tomorrow. Found White, our servant, with
the wagon & horses at the "Ship Inn" having taken up 4

Casks

Casks from Redkin's. - Ordered 22 Casks from Hogben
Cooks next door to the Ship Inn, - and directed White
to call for a parcel at Crookes & Hynd's, & for 5 gallons

Cobles
Bedsteads

of Broadmeigs in a Key at Mr Kenzie's; - Saw Goble
and ascertained that the cost for a double bedstead of iron
of similar construction to the single ones ordered, would

Summerton

be about 10/- more. - The Transport & Question Committee
sat today & were to send an account of the transactions
to the Papers & to sit hereafter with open doors 2^{ce}

Transport Committee

a week for 2 hours for the reception of information. -
Started part 4, same for horses drawing about 1 1/4
Ton of paper & etc. - Still raining - Wagon got home

Found that my Father & Mother had gone to Perthshire to
remain the night and to go to the Stone Quarry at Woodside
tomorrow, if the weather proved fine. -

13th Gilbeam & mate preparing boards for flooring - Settin' up
door frame in Scullery - The person to whom I sold the
Pearemeins, came and took away 18 bushels, & paid for them

Apples
£3.12.0

£3.12.0 - gave the money to my Mother. - Busy designing
Woolpreps. - My Father thought Parkinson would play some
trick with regard to the old ewes - I thought not. -

Marrean
12th

(Memo: - Marrean paid into W.B. £30 as a gift of 4 lbs - and by all sent me

Syall
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Shackel

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Apples to
the
price

Allensby told me that 14 bushels of apples contained enough juice to make a hoghead of cider. ²⁵⁰ It would pay us to sell cider at £4 per hoghead viz. Apples £3.3.0 mens time 4/- and cart 10/- = £4. - Dined at Rhodes, & met W Wombor, Wife & Daughters. - memo: Sams cut on Saturday, going on well.

Sadds

15th - Seth finishing ceiling of Servants room. - Gilham, preparing saddle-boards; his mate laying Laundry floors. - Wrote to Sadds telling him of the Fields &c. - and offering him the 40 Prime 4 yr. old Steers and 50 out of the 55 lot at £5.5.0 to be taken away either lot within a fortnight & the remain^d lot within a month. - to be paid for in cash at Washburn or in Lannceston on receipt of an order to obtain the cattle: - told him they were on offer to another party, whose answer in the negative I expected. - Wrote to D Borseth, - and to Rev J. Buckland also to Clements enclosing cheque for £3.7.3 in paym^t of Bill. - John Gardner left receiving £22.12.0. - To come back in a fortnight or 3 weeks to break in filly. -

Clements
Washburn

Saw W North who told me he had sent down from the farm, or farm, 80 fat ewes & wethers for sale tomorrow, at Clynes Yds. - Heard of Susie's being at Perth. - Rec^d £3.4.0 for 18 bushels of apples and gave the money to my Mother. -

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Clements
Woolmers

Saw Mr North who told me he had sent down from the farm, or farm, 80 fat ewes & wethers for sale tomorrow, at Clynes Yds. - Heard of Lapsie's being at Perth. - Recd £3.4.0 for 18 bushels of apples and gave the money to my Mother. -

Mr North
Sale of
apples
3.4.0

16th - Gilham, and mate prepar^d capping to saddlebands, and fixing part of them. - Seth lathing to. - Went out at 10 o'clock and shot an Schooley 8 1/2 brace of quail, losing 2 birds; killed 15 out of the first 16 shots; - back at 2 o'clock, and went to Longford. - Ewes & wethers sold, 80 in number. - Miserable looking cattle, bought in; working oxen 10 £ to 11 £ per pair. - Saw W Dean, who offered to take the 120 steers offered to the Fields through Sherkel, at £4.15.0; to take away 60 in a week & the remainder within a month. - To let him know on Monday. - W Syall would not take the steers as offered him. - 18 bushels of apples taken, & money paid to my mother. - Wrote to Rob^t Orton, Blacksmith, West Tamar offering him, if competent £25 per annum - and telling him if he wished to hire to come at once. - Caspell's sheep for dressing. - 7 wethers drawn out, belonging to those on the Turnips.

Quail
Sole at Longford
Dean

Syall
Apples -
Rob^t Orton
Blacksmith
Caspell's
Ewes

17th - Seth lathing Sunday ceiling - Gilham, fixing saddlebands his mate flooring - Sunday. - Alfred Brown £5 going to Lanneston. - Received from Mr Hottle £37, being the money the 80 sheep sold for, deducting expenses. - Rec^d letter from Sadds asking me to leave the matter of the cattle open till the 28th inst. when he wd go to look at them. - Letter from Mr Buckland acknowledging receipt of the drawings sent to him.

Mr Hottle
Sadds

18th Sunday -

19th Wrote to Sadds, saying that I could not delay the matter of the cattle till the 28th, and offering him 600, 4 & 6 teeth Ewes at 9/9 and 900 Wethers at 9/6, and telling him I wd write again from Chestnut if possible. - Went to Lanneston with W J. Arden in his gig. Paid Hagben the Cooper a cheque for £4.8.0 and 8/- for 22 Casks (only 21 brought out by White). - Saw Golds abt iron Bstls. - ordered 6 single & 1 Dble. - Saw that the lead from Robert Town was complete: Dr Pugh to propose me as a Member of the Tasmanian Society. - Went to the Meeting called by the Tradesmen & Mechanics on the Transport Question. - There were about 300 present, all

Sadds
Lanneston

Trade Men's Meeting

of whom with the exception of two or three were in favour of the immediate cessation of Yemassee. — Mr Gatis, Mr Price, Mr Marriott, Dr Brown, Room, a Shoemaker, and one or two more spoke well; — and the proceedings were quietly conducted, — arranged to meet Dean & Brensgrave at Chestnut.

Parkinson

Mr Gilles

Chestnut & Dean's

100 Steers

Wethers & Ewes

20th Started at 5 o'clock by Ashbur Town Coach met Webb with my ney at Bonney's Corner — Reached home at 2 past 7 o'clock. Arranged that Gilham should prepare for stans. Sette plastering Room over Laundry. — Capells flock in for Shedding. — Sold 40 Wethers from Turrips to Parkinson at 9/6. Kept £1 and gave my Father £18. — Bought 400 Reils from J. Peckham at 30/ per 100, to be delivered at Washburns. — Started for Westbury and met Mr Oakden & Mr Henniker at Syall's Inn. — In speaking of Mr Gilles, I said, I thought him a great scamp, when Mr O. considered my language too strong, and said, it wd be shewn when the affairs of the Bank were finally wound up that everything was fairly done by him (Mr Gilles). It appeared that he is some relation or connexion of Mr O.

21st Started with Dean & his Son for Chestnut, and after a wet ride over Ball's Plains, (the horses for half a mile being up to their knees in water,) reached it at about 12 o'clock. — Offered him the same lot offered to the Fields. — and he asked, what I would take putting the 3 y^o old Steers out of the question; he offered £4.15.0 — I told him he might have 100 out of 106 at £4.17.6, which he agreed to. — They were in two lots, one of 61 & the other of 39 picked Steers. — To take the 61 within a week, and the 39 on or before the 26th proximo. To pay the amount, with interest at 6 p^{ct} per ann. added, in 3 mos Bills, in my name. — also sold him the remaining 6 teeth Wethers 250 at 10/ and 10 at 9/. — He also said he wd take the 600 Ewes offered to Seeds at 8/9, if he refused them. — Rode round Jones Hill Paddock to see them. — Shewed Dean the Rambler stock, & they are looking very well; and the young Bulls; if Dean Jr has bought the white one sold to Shacked, I also shewed him

Chestnut

Cows & Mares

the best breeding mares, which he liked, especially Tallyho and Jessie; - and the best breeding cows, which he admired very much, saying he had seen none equal to them since he left England. - Took him to see the cows sold to Warren & Parkinson in Sag fence Park. - Drafted out 6 from the 106 - 4 yrs old Steers and changed the Park of the 39. - Found that some of the 3 yrs old Steers were better than many of the 4 yrs old Steers. - Dean & Son stayed the night. - Read part of Innes's pamphlet on "Hansp".

Drainage

22nd - Dean & Son started early. - Rode round the grafts and last broken-up paddles with W.D. and pointed out the urgent necessity of thorough drainage of the land: found rushes growing in every direction: ditches wanting cleaning and many signs of the absence of the owner of the Estate.

Braunsgrove
3 yrs old Steers

Braunsgrove came. - Rode with him to see 3 yrs old Steers; he offered £4.4.0 for 20 after I picked 12 for working cattle - offered them to him at £4.12.6; - he refused them. - Had

Cows
600 ewes

have given £5.5.0 for best Steers. - Shewed him the 6-tettle Wethers, he thought 10/- their value. - Took him to the cows running with Warren's; - he offered £4.10.0 for 12 out of 14. - Thought the 600 ewes worth 8/- - In the forenoon before B. came, drew out 52 of the smallest & leanest from the middleged ewes, leaving 600. - Arranged to be at Braddick's yard at the Falls in the moon with B. - To see & sell if possible the 4-tettle Wethers. - Arranged Stock, Rations, and other books with W.D. - Innes's pamphlet.

Falls
4 tettle Wethers

23rd Rode with Braunsgrove to Braddick's yards, and looked at the Wethers he had got in: found them in worse condition than when I saw them last. - B. offered 8/6 for the pick of 100. - Told him the price was 9/6. - Refused them. - Arranged for his having the 12 cows running with Warren's, to be taken

12 cows
Select best Wethers

down with his on Monday next. - Gave him a note to W. Crocker. - Arranged that Braddick should get in all his Wethers to have the best selected from them on Monday

Memo: of Stock sold & for sale at Chestnut - £ s. d.

30 Cows, Marreun & Parkinson	at £ 5.0.0	150..0..0
2 Steers D° D°	at £ 5.0.0	10..0..0
200 6teeth Wethers D° D°	at 9/6	95..0..0
80 Ditto Hall	at 9/-	36..0..0
1 Bull-calf Shaevel		4..0..0
Received Paym ^t		£ 295..0..0
100 Steers 4yrs old. Dean Jew.	at £ 4.17.6	487..10..0
250 6teeth Wethers D°	at 10/-	125..0..0
10 Ditto D°	at 9/-	4..10..0
600 Middleaged Ewes D° or Sadds	at 8/9	262..10..0
210 6teeth Wethers Marreun & Parkinson	at 10/-	105..0..0
450 Old Ewes D° D°	at 8/-	180..0..0
12 Cows V Baunsgrone	at £ 4.10.0	54..0..0
Not received		£ 1218..10..0
Total		£ 1513..10..0
x 300 4teeth W. to Saddy		138..10..0
For Sale Total Sold		£ 1649..0..0
40 3yrs old Steers	at £ 4.12.6	185..0..0
x 260 4teeth Wethers	at 9/6	123..10..0
Estimated Value		£ 308..10..0
Total value of Stock sold & for Sale		£ 1822..0..0

26th Settled with busgrove & Jeffcott and sent them away. Jeffcott reported Mr Davidson as a very dirty man. Denton thought of leaving on account of having been robbed of his clothes; and several having been robbed also. Bad state of things when servants rob each other; another blessing of the system. Jllp took away the mare I exchanged with him with £ 5 for the Nudge Babe calve Stronachs here, has not yet attained a situation, nor likely to get one: he is one honest but stupid creature: he wd do very well under a head, on the farm. John Thomas from Deloraine brought down his 4yrs old, pony gelding, lame in the off shoulder; a great pity; cannot take him: he must have overriden the poor thing sadly.

Memo to Jllp

John Thomas

My Father gave him a cheque for the amount due to him
£16.15.3. — My Father much afraid, myself not at all
x so, of Dean flying off from the arrangement about the
4yr: old Steers. — Was nervous! — Found that we have
to make up of the Bank debt now, in 3 years about £9000
and afterwards D Ludlow's £5000 excluding interest. — Do it
easily, if it please God! — The income of the Property is
about £6000 per annum: the expenditure sh^d not be more than
£1500 includ^d everything; thus leaving £4500 nett, — which
w^d nearly clear off the whole amt in 3 yrs. — Gilham at
Lashes — bookcase & shelf for O.K. — Seth plastering Laundry.

Writing Specific^m for Hutchins School. — J^h sold dark bay mare, £27.
27th Gilham at O.K.'s happening. — Seth plastr^d Laundry. — Ladds
came; arranged to let him have the 600 ewes & 300 Wethers
from the 4teeth flock for the sum of £398 — cash. — W^d not take
the 3yr: old Steers. — Rec^d letter from W Crookes to say that
he had arranged the Bill with Dean, and had rec^d £54
from Braunsgrove. — Garrett & Waters, with another Butcher
named Matthews came to look at the Wethers on 7th Nov.

I went with them & found them in driving order but not fit
for the market. — I offered them 3 small ewes for £14: they
offered £12 which I refused. — To come in a month to look at
the sheep. — Thomas's pony still very lame. — Heard that poor
the convicted Jewish convict, who has been living with W Steadman
had sadly misconducted himself and was taken from the Police
Office Langford to goal. — Also that Mrs Benison had taken
to drinking since the departure of her husband. — Poor humanity!

Letter from W Brooks enclosing accounts of books from Meads
& prints viz. Waterloo Banquet & Relief maps from Moore by the
"Robert Matthews". — Told my Father that I sh^d ask him to
make my allowance this year £100 on account of expenses
at Robert's town & purchase of Books. — to which he readily
agrees. He said he sh^d have to supply O.K. with money £100 +
s. £50 in addition to fittings, furnishings stores &c. —

Dean
Bank debt

Ladds
Sale to him

Garrett & Waters

Ladds

Letter from
W Brooks

Books &
allowance

28th Busy writing specific for Hutchins School. - Inspected cistern and store and set Jones to repair it. - Called at Rhades. - Found that Thomas's pony is lame on off fore leg, below the knee. - Ordered Mch to foment & bandage it. - My Father went into Lameston; - Sent Wagon to D. K's with various articles. -

Thomas's pony

Braddick with ewes

3 knocked up

Braddick arrived at 6 o'clock with ewes (542 pounds to MD.) from Chestnut; his expenses 11/6. - Told me the expenses of getting down the 200 Wethers were 19/9, to Westbury. - Said he had left 2 with Hall at Westbury, & 1 he sold to a man who was to pay Mr Ridge, Carrick. - Millward arrived with him but had not helped him down. - Wrote note to Parkinson to come for half of the sheep he purchased viz. 225 ewes at 8/- - Harness maker at work here.

29th Drew out 5 Wethers, and counted in all 538 sheep, making out a deficiency of 4, for 3 of which Braddick accounted 2 left with Hall at Westbury & 1 sold to a man at Carrick, who was to give the money 7/- to Mr Ridge. - Parkinson came with Marren & a Butcher named Homes from 'Cocked Hat'. - They culled out 83 ewes leaving 450 purchased by Parkinson; of which number they took away 200 paying £80, of which I kept £33.4.0 & gave my Father the remainder. - To take the 250 remain^g on Thursday or Friday next. - Sent the 83 ewes & 5 Wethers on to the Plains. - Mr Davidson had not carried out the orders I gave as to the stopping of the sheep on the road, however they come down very well. - Millward came down after Braddick instead of with him. - B. brought down the portion of the Fern plant I obtained at Chestnut. - Set building small oven for Flanders Mr McRostie's cook, & whitewash^d new rooms. - Gilham mantlepiece in Servants Room & sashes. - Jones repair^d Store cistern. - My Father came back from Lameston; had had a conference together with my Uncle, with Mess^{rs} Reed & Bakken on the Bank matters, and thought Mr Reed acting very sharply indeed, for his own interests. - Found that many debts among the apertts yielded to him, & said by him, before he got them, to be valueless, were now consid

ewes from Chestnut

Parkinson Marren & Homes

Mr Davidson

Bank matters

worth large sums of money - James Lord's, for instance, once reckoned as nothing, now at £2000. - Skardon's property once at £800, now at £1500, and, other matters which, while they belonged to us, were not worth a farthing in Mr Reed's hands suddenly became electrotyped, with gold!! This sounds strange! - There was also a case, in which money was realized on an asset, which, then ceased to be one, which amounted to £90 & was claimed by Mr Reed, - but yielded up on my Father's protesting against it. - Jones, the converted Jew, who was with Mr S. sentenced to 3 mos hard labour, for being away from his master's business without leave. Mr Rowcroft's letter in the Examiner in favour of a contin^{ce} of Transpⁿ at the rate of 2500 per ann. together with free female immigration. - Habertown Mechanics & Tradesmen ag^t it. Rode through Lower Storey Point &c. - Abundance of food for sheep & cattle. - Directed Harmon to get ready 70 panels of fencing for sheep yards.

30th Gilham at D K's. Seth linenwhiting &c. - Went out with Schooley & Rutland, who is much improved, and shot 10 brace of quail, missing 7 shots. - Waggon with slops from Brickendon. - Invited to meet Dry on Tuesday at D K's. - Two or three lambs in Grassie's flock and about 30 in Cusells. - Writing specificⁿ for Hutchins School. Heads of Jassie being at Capt Ritchie's, in the hands of the stock keeper: sent word to him to bring her & I w^d give him 10/-.

May 1st - Started for Lauceston at 9 o'clock & arrived there at 10 o'clock. - Crossed Ritchie's Ford. - Went to Monk's, Denny's, & Bennell's to find paper to match that in the unfinished sitting room at D K's, and failing to procure any, sent out by Mr G. W. 10 pieces of a pattern, with roses on it, which was to be returned, if not required. - Engaged Jarman to bring out my case of "Books from England" & Waterloo Banquet, together with a case for J. L. Saw. - Bought articles for Mr Davidson, for farm use 112 lbs of Soap - (3 half hides of Hips & 5 lbs Stock keepers nails & 3 straight lasts; Button) (2 Shoemakers Knives & 2 stones. 1 Rasp - brookes & Lybble) - (1 Sledge 1 Journal

Bank affairs

Jones

Mr Rowcroft

Harmon

Quail

Lambs

Lassie

Lauceston

Jarman

Articles for Mr Davidson

41 memo. book, Darling). — Purchased for myself a ~~7E77JUL0~~
~~00001 V4FF070.~~ £3.10.0. & a box of Seidlitz Powders. — Mr Winter
merchant in Hobart Town supposed to be the author of the
pamphlet called "The Transport 'Quest' consid^d." — It is said that
there will be a struggle yet on the subject. — What reason
is there for an outcry for immigrants: — if we make useful
men of one fourth part of the Probationers, already in the
island, we shall have labour enough: — We must not
expect to have servants cheaper than our neighbours.
And if it be proved that Van Diemen's Land, is in such a
position as to require Convict labour, to prevent its ruin
the longer we continue "transp^d" the more we shall feel
its loss, and when it ceases, as it must some day cease,
the greater will be our desolation. — It is a trial of
Virtue v. Immorality, or Morality v. Avarice. —

Farman arrived at 11 o'clock with the books &c. Opened the box of
books and found all right. — Gave him 6/-.

2nd Sunday.

3rd Unpacked Watuloo Benguet & Relievo Maps of the Holy Land &c. &
was much pleased with them. — Sorted slops &c from England
between Jt. Sen & ourselves. — Hung up Watuloo Benguet & rearranged
my prints in the room, and my books; I must make a
list of them for reference sake & discard all that are not
really good: People ought to think more on what they read
but they generally read to prevent the trouble of thinking at all.
We cannot benefit by reading, unless we weigh what we read; —
we cannot benefit by eating, unless we digest our food: —

R. D. K. Wiper & 2 bairns arrived, cold & hungry. — It appears that the
"transp^d" are getting up a show of fight in Hobart Town: I
fancy it is just a flare of the expiring candle in the socket. —

4th John Gardner came yesterday & he is going to Rainfield to break in a
filly: and then will come here for the same purpose. — All the
folks here in a bustle of preparation for tomorrow's proceedings. —
Sorted Cotton & Regatta Shirts, from Pauschangers. — Sent by Mr W. Hoste

Manuscript

Manuscript with books

Books

R. D. K.

J. Gardner Cotton Shirts

10th to Ritchie's
Shepherd

10th to Chaffey for Ritchie's Shepherd. - Drove Mr Sytton over to the Parsonage, and, sat some time there; met the Archdeacon who reads a long and rather prosy letter to the Governor on the subject of Transpⁿ. - He gave me the Petition of the Clergy, to take to R. & K. that he might produce it at the Hobart Town Meeting on Thursday. -

Archdeacon

Susan married
5th

Susan married to John Stewart Kilgour, Esq. M.D. - Present besides relations Messrs Green, Dry & Reed, & Miss Damareq. - All went off very well. - The "Wataloo Banquet" print much admired; - Rec^d letter from Sadds to say that his drover bearing a bank receipt for the price of the 600 ewes & 300 wethers, will arrive here on Thursday, or Friday morning, to receive directions for proceed^g to Cheshunt to bring down the sheep. - R. & K. went to Hobart Town.

Sadds

Parkinson
6th

Parkinson & Howes came for the 250 ewes left by them, and paid £67 of which I gave to my Father. - He said Maurem had paid in £33. - I took a receipt from him & Howes for 82 sheep for Maurem. - Sette and Shaw at wall to enclose stable yard, and manure heaps. - Gilhams at doors of new building. - Mr Reed & Mr Green's daughter remained all day. - Mr Reed argued, that if Transpⁿ ceased, the mechanics in the towns wd be thrown out of work, and those depend^t on them, and they wd either live at low wages or leave the country. - Also that the Banks wd proceed to realize by suits at law &c. - Mr G. agreed with him. - I did not, because they assumed that the population of the towns were depend^t on official expenditure; not taking into account the supply to the Southern Side Settlers &c. - Videmus! - Much pleased with Sidney Smith's works. -

Mr Reed

Mr Reed
Bank Affairs
7th

Talked with Mr Reed over the Bank affairs: he proved that the Partners were not treating him fairly, by being dissatisfied at his making money out of the assets: they having been valued by themselves, and offered by Auction & private contract, without a purchaser being found; that they had also shaken him around by the hand, and hoped that he wd make a good thing of the bargain, which they professed themselves unable to do. - He said he wd return them to the Partners again, and assist them to

realize as much as he could. — I said they wd not be accepted; he thought different, tried it with my Father, and found I was right: — He bargained that there should be no more dissatisfaction and agreed to give up half of what he might get from J^d Lord.

Mechanics at same jobs. — My Father much pleased with Mr Martin's letter to His Excellency on the Transpⁿ Distⁿ. — Nov. 1. —

Rode my mare over a low 4 railed and a high 3 railed fence

she leaps well and goes at her leap with full speed. — Busy thinking over Transpⁿ and making memo: — R. 2. K. returned from N. Y.

There was a majority in favour of abolition, at the public meet^g, of about 1400 to half a dozen. — glorious news! at 'em again! at once, and for ever! — not quarter! Hurrah!!

8th Arranged with the coachmaker from Longford to repair & set up the back spring of my gig for 15/- — he agreed to paint & varnish, and set to rights the whole for £2.10.0. — engaged Dadey's horse to take me into Lameston on Monday.

9th Sunday.

10th Started at 8 o'clock & reached Lameston at 10 o'clock. — After some little walking found Marrene, who had remained, to a shop in Charles St., and rec^d from him & paid into W.B. £33 due by him on the 6th inst. — The Reporter of the Examiner told me that there were

about 100 persons, 19 of whom were publicans at the Meeting of the Transportationists at Bells Room. — The Public Meeting at the

Cornwall Hotel Rooms, commenced proceedings at 12 o'clock when Mr Cox took the chair, after some opposition from Mr Simlaric

Mr Bakden proposed and Mr Weston, seconded the first Resolution.

Mr Weston spoke very well. — Mr Jones was very troublesome, accusing his brother Committee men of unfairness, and calling for

the evidence on which the Report of the Committee was founded evidence which was not fit to produce; however Mr Dry first

Mr Reed afterwards gave him a most severe setting-down. —

Mr Gunn, Mr Barnard & others spoke in favour of Transportⁿ but the meeting hissed them constantly and wd scarcely listen to them at all. — I seconded the third resolution. — My first appear^{ce}

Mr Martin

Public Meeting in Holywell

Coachmaking

Public Meeting at Bells Room

as a speaker, before a large meeting. — There were about 1000 persons present. — Mr Dry spoke well in answer to Mr James. Mr Cox was a very inefficient Chairman. — The meeting broke up at 7 o'clock. — I went with R D M to Mr Reeds, with Capt. Hottel also, and slept there.

11th Breakfasted at Mr Reeds and afterwards went to the boornall where we found many of the principal Agents for Abolition. — Found that a great stir had been made among the small Farmers; and that many had pledged themselves to support Mansp^m. — Called at Parkinson's, and told him to send me the Receipt for payment of the 6 teeth Wethers at Gresham, and I would send up an order for them to be forwarded to Downing. — Called at D K's on the way out. — Went out riding & the mare in jumping 4 rails, swerved, struck the post and placed me on the ground. — Sent the gig over to the coachmakers to be painted & varnished &c. — Major Grey, Miss Fanny Grey at Woolmers. — Seth at wall of stable yard; Gilham prepar^d soffits for outside of bedroom windows, South side of New build^g.

12th Collecting information on the question "whether this colony wd not have done better without Convicts than with them". — Pease and the Sawyer Wolstencroft came to be settled with. — Paid the latter £6.11.6 & the former £6.2.0, leaving a bal^{ce} of £8 due to him on acc^t of cartage of sawn⁷ stuff, yokes, spokes, & fitchels. — Ordered 12 p^{rs} of blackwood nails. My Father arranged that the men generally sh^d breakfast before going to work, and be out at 7 o'clock. — Mr Wedge at Woolmers.

13th Shewed Mr Wedge our drilled turnips & mangold wurtzel, with both of which he was much pleased. — Rode also over Barley ground and found young English grass & clover doing well, particularly that sown last year. — Gilham prepar^d doors of new bedroom. — Seth at wall of stable y^d. — Heavy rain with hail. — Brown the blacksmith gave notice of his intention to go on Saturday. — Drew out 12 Wethers from Turnips on to the Plain.

14th Helped Mr M Rostie to get in the Cows and calves from

Parkinson

Coachmakers
gig

Pease and
Sawyer
pieces

Brown

Cows & Calves
at Washburn

the runs; and placed them as follows, - 9 male & 4 female calves
with, 3 cows in Scrubby Corner. - 4 cows in Walker's Flat. -
7 cows in Palmer's Inside. - cows in Lower Point. - cows

Sheep from
Cheshunt
Sadd's

and calves with the Milkmen on Plains. - Scrubby Corner
should be burnt and cleared. - Dehins, Gadd's Drove, &
Braddick arrived with 598 ewes and 301 Wethers from Cheshunt

Mr. Hermodes
Bull

and reported, the roads to be in a very bad state. - R. D. K.
wishes to have the large Bull back for next season; - I
gave orders, when last at Cheshunt, that he should be

Letter to
Mr. Davidson

taken into a shed and fed on hay. - Wrote to Mr Davidson
by Braddick, to sell 2 young bulls at \$4 each to Shackel, keeping the
large spotted one and the small red one with the pretty head for

Shackel

ourselves; - to take the large bull into a shed & feed him on hay; -
to see to the ewes; - to drain where necessary; - to give us
informⁿ; - also asto form of Journal. - Wrote to Mr Shackel

R. D. K.
Deans

offer^s him 2 bulls as above; & tell^d him I sh^d not sell any
of the 3 yr. old Steers. - Paid Braddick 30/- for expenses,
up last time, & down & up this time. - He told me that Dean

Sadd's
Sheep

had got away his Wethers. - My Father took his acceptances
for them & the 30 best 4 yr. old Steers, at three mos, on the 29th of July.
15th R. D. K. with wife & bairns left this morning. - Made entries in new
Stock-book. - Setts at stable yard wall. - All the rooms on Laundry

Brown

side of New building have their doors hung & fitted with locks. - Cusell
gave notice of a ewe having died. - Allowed Samuel Dehins to throw
out 8 sheep from Sadd's lot, and directed Mr Rostie to supply
their places with 10 from the Plain, - making 900 for Sadd and
1 for the Drove. -

Gig

16th Sunday. -
17th Mr Rostie counted, Sadd's sheep, and found them right. - Brown
the Blacksmith, went to Hanfield to pare some horses' feet, - with the
intention, if not rehired, for 3 or 6 mos, of starting for Deloraine
tomorrow. - Shot 2 cows for the house meat & rations. - Made entries
in Stock Book. - I hear Dunn is to take Brown's place as Blacksmith
here. - Alex Smith, the Coachmaker brought back the gig. -

18th Alfred Brown settled with, and discharged from our service. —
Marked out sheep yards, at Long Pad^k, with Harmon. — Inspects
3 Kilns of bricks burnt by Emis. — Made entries in Stock book.
Made out accounts of Emis & Harmon. Webb & W. McKostie
in Town. — Two men, Cook & Williams from Fairfield to
remain. —

19th Settled with John Emis, Brickmaker, 80000 Bricks. — Received
Parents' & Guardians' Petition against Transportⁿ from W. Brookes
to obtain signatures; also General Petition ag^t Transpⁿ from
R. & K. for same purpose. — Wrote to W. B. to say I had given
a prior promise &c. — Went over One Mile Bend with W.
McKostie, concern^g draining same. — My Father had an
offer from Mr. Bantley of 200 bushels of Rye grass seed which
he accepted. — at 6p. — Paid McKostie £1.12.0 for Sundries,
including money lent to R. & K. — Asked by the latter to be
Sponsor for his youngest bairn. —

20th Went with W. McKostie & Gardner, to take up the bay fully by Rotterdam
from the Point. — Found her rather troublesome for a short time, but she
soon became tolerably quiet. — Rode to W. Weston's with the parchments
of Parents' & Guardians' Petition from W. Brookes and left them there.
Returned, W. Pitcairn's letter to R. & K. — Sent answer to Governor's
invitation to Ball on Queen's Birthday. — Wrote to Major Darnall
enclosing Dry's list of Vanich's Performances. —

21st Started for Sanneston at 2 past 10 o'clock & arrived there at 12 o'clock.
Attended the Meeting of Subscribers to the London Agency Fund. —
The feeling was almost unanimously in favour of sending the
Petition ag^t Transpⁿ, and of instructing Mr. Jackson to use every
means to forward the abolition of Transpⁿ. — I subscribed
£3.3.0 which I desired Mr. W. A. Saw to pay for me. — W. Brookes
& W. Dawling told me to hand over the extra parchments for
signatures to the Parents' & Guardians' Petition to W. Weston. —
Saw Dean, who said he had got away all the Steers, but
that they had mixed after he drafted the worst out, and
those he had drafted out had been sent down to him; while

one or two of the best had been retained. — Saw Murren,
who told me that he had paid W Brooks £10 5 for the
210 Wethers, and that Parkinson had gone for them. —

Dean offered to take them in case P. & M. did not. — Wrote
to him to the effect that P. & M. had taken them. — Wrote to
Mr J. W. Arthur J. — Dean asked me to give him an offer
of the Wethers or Turnips. — Returned home by moonlight. —

22nd Rode Thomas's pony to Mr J. Goul's this morning, taking
Rutland with me. — Went out shooting with Goul & Dr
Pugh, and shot 8 1/2 brace of quail, losing 1 brace. — Pugh shot
14 1/2 brace, lost 1 brace, and Goul shot 9 brace lost 1 bird. —
Rutland behaved famously. — 23rd Sunday. —

24th Made out the accounts of Oliver Redman & Young, and sent the
latter away; — also Pean's account for cartage of Rails. —

Mr Weston came and brought back the parchments of Parents'
Guardians' Petition, wishing me to take them round,
with those of Mr Pitcairn's Petition. — Commenced signatures
of parchments. — Writing Specific for Hutchins School. — Mr
Gill & Mr Davies called. — Wrote to Mr Pitcairn about the
necessity of appending residences and occupations to the
names in the Petitions, — and also to make memo. of the
number of persons represented by each signature. —
Sent Gardner with bay mare to have shoe put on near fore
foot. — Mr Rostie went to see if he could hire Saltmarsh's
threshing machine. — JOHN GRIFITHS. —

25th Instructed Setters to W.C. in corner of Stable Yard. — Rode down
to Shepards in Story P^t. — and then to Broomby the Wheelwrights, &
H. G. Ball's, obtaining 3 signatures. — Bleaver came over and offered to
take round the Petition. — Brought his Bill 13/6. — Chestnut Mare
sent from Fairfield, with bad pasture, to be quieted by Gardner.
My Father went to Sannerton with Mr. Miss Carric. —

26th A man named John Griffiths came from Hobart Town, hired by Mr
Manning as book & house servant. Sent him to Cressy with a note
enclosing a sketch for an improvem^t of wool pres. — Gilham and

Barrett in Lameston. — Saltmarsh's Machine to be here today or tomorrow morning. — Looked over Wetters on Turnips and found them doing well. — My Father J. L. Thrip, C. returned.

27th Saltmarsh's Threshing Machine fixed and commenced threshing the barley in barn, at Lower Farm. — Arranged to get 6 men from the Prob^l Station, Lameston, to relieve the ploughmen and mechanics at the threshing. — George Harman to cut down trees, and clear the ground for sheepyards, and to put them up, 54 panels and half panels, forming byards, for £3. — he paying for his rations, and the posts having been bored at the rate of 13/- per 100. — My Father made me a present of a box of Indian Rubber bands for papers, and a box of envelopes. — Wrote to Dr Brock enclosing an order to Wilson, Boatmaker, in Hobart Town for a pair of Riding Boats £3.10.0. — Rec^d letter from Mr Pitcairn yesterday saying that the occupations had better be annexed to the signatures, but that nothing further would be necessary. — New book, knife as Saunders, came.

28th Threshed of the barley 189 bushels. — commenced oat stack at 12 o'clock. Rode to Longford & left Mr Pitcairn's Petition in the hands of Cleaver the Tailor. Saw Mr Weston and arranged that he should take the Parents & Guardians' Petition, and do what he could for it. — Heard from Mr Pooler that the Petition for Transpⁿ, had been sent from there to Hobart Town with about 100 signatures of householders.

An aggravating answer, in Cornwall Chronicle, from Innes to Dry. — My Father sent in authority, to hire for him 6 Prob^l Paphⁿ at the Lameston Depot, for the threshing, so as to relieve useful men.

29th Rec^d circular concern "tribute" to Mr West; — and letter from Dr Brock. — Blacksmith V. L. sent over by Mr Hottle and engaged for 14 days on trial at the rate of £25 per ann. — 6 men from Lameston, and a blacksmith; — there is also a blacksmith at Mr Bonney's we can have, and Dunn at Paushanger — a choice of four!!! — Finished threshing the oat stack, 155 sacks. — Went out at ½ past 2, and shot over Rutland 4½ brace of quail, losing 3 brace in addition.

Saltmarsh's
Mash Machine

Harman
Sheepyards

Wilson
Boatmaker

Mr Pitcairn

Barley

Petitions

tribute to
West

Blacksmith

Paushanger

30th Monday -

31st Wrote to John Thomas by his man Jasper Johnson, and sent him back the pony. - Made a design for men's cottages at Chestnut which wd cost about £150. - Investigated the question of Lead, cisterns being injurious, - and think that water kept long in them imbibes deleterious properties, - though it is not generally speaking, badly affected by the pipes, inasmuch as the air if they be full is excluded. - Betts the Blacksmith came. - Read D'Aubiqué's Reformation; - an admirable & judicious work! - Caspell told me that rats often came and gnawed the hides, close to the old pump-house. - The fat from the kidneys, cauls, and intestines of 9 ewes weighed 81 lbs: I gave Allenby directions to let me know the quantity of rendered fat produced by those 81 lbs. - Memo: Move boat into the river. - 63 sacks of oats.

Thomas's pony
Read cisterns

to
Poleys
fat

June 1st Entered in Book of men's accounts the various sums of money given to the men by my father, since Jan^r 1846. - Made out 3 accounts. - 10 sacks of oats threshed. - Rode down to where Harman is making new sheep yards. - Gardner on the filly, which I think will make a capital trotter and walker. - Blower brought back the parchment of Petition filled up, with 120 names, representing 320 persons. - Gave him £1. - Heavy rain nearly all day. - Drew out 18 Withers from those on Turnips. - Reading "D'Aubiqué's."

Oats

Blower with parchment 120 names

2nd Entered in back-book the amount of payments in full to hired servants up to this day. - Rode to Panshanger and dined there. - On return home found a note from Joe asking for Sims to be sent up; and a memo: to Allenby for 400 broad & 100 6-foot paling, &c. - Threshed 75 sacks of oats. - To meet Mr Gossey on Friday at Panshanger for a day's shooting. -

Panshanger
Palm
Oats

3rd Rode to threshing place at Sower Farm, also to new sheep yards at Sower Point fence, and found that Harman had, by negligence permitted the gate of the old yard to be broken; went home by Sower Stony Point and Barley Ground. - Found that the grass seed sent by Mr Theodore Bartley is much deteriorated by seeds of silver grass, and husks of seeds. - 1 bushel weighed 24½ lbs. Threshed

grass seed
no husks

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3rd Rode to threshing place at Lower Farm, also to new sheepyards at Lower Point fence, and found that Harman had, by negligence permitted the gate of the old yard to be broken; went home by Lower Stony Point and Barley Ground. - Found that the grass seed sent by Mr Theodore Bartley is much deteriorated by seeds of silver grass, and husks of seeds. - 1 bushel weighed 24½ lbs. Threshed

Oats
Hutchins
School Spiff

77 sacks of oats. Finished Specificⁿ of Hutchins School and made it up to send to Mr Buckland together with a note to him, and one also Mr Pitcairn for fresh parchments to enrol names for the petition. — Quavel between Burton & Allensby about apples. —

Quail

Wool-pref

Mr Bartley's
grass seed
weight

Wheat

Corn

Grass seed

Wheat

Cowman's
bill

How to
clean grass seed

4th Rode to breakfast at Panshanger, and afterwards in company with Mr Goosey shot 10 brace of quail, he killing the same number. — Found that Mr Jell had made vast improvements in the laying down of his lands, and in drainage of it. — Inspected his carpenter's (Bugefs) model design for a deer-pref: very clever for him. — Mr Goosey wishing for one very much. — I promised to give him a design for a Tower. — A memo: from Mr McKastic to the effect that 3 bushels of Mr Bartley's grass seed weighed 73 1/2 lbs nett. — 102 sacks of wheat threshed.

5th Sent to Panshanger for Rutland & my gun &c. that I left behind last night. — Settled with Mr Carr for work done at Kenifield. —

Mr Goosey sent his servant Featherstone with the grass seed from Mr Bartley's cleaned. — 4 lbs of silver-grass seeds & rubbish were taken from 24 of what Mr B. called clean seed. — Designing wool-prefs, on the Sever principle. — Rode to the new sheepyards, and to the stack they were threshing, which was completed, and 139 sacks of wheat sent to the Woolhouse. — Recd note from Mr Clarke A.D.C. with the portion of a newspaper, containing Mr Boyd's report of Port Arthur, which I had lent to the Governour. — Paid the amt of Coachmaker's bill £5.12.6 for repairing &c. to my gig and harness; also 6/ for a headstall. — Patk Walsh hired us butcher & cooper, at the Gate. —

Memo: To clean grass seed. Put a moderate quantity from the heap into the sieve, and wry it over the heap, a little to get rid of the rubbish underneath, — then wry it over a clean floor or cloth until three fourths have passed through, then wry it over another cloth till only rubbish remains. — Do this again with the best heap, wrying it first a little

over the second heap, then on a clean cloth, then over the second heap again till only rubbish is left: when thus the first heap is exhausted, serve the second heap the same way and so on until all is cleaned: — burn the rubbish. Tho' Baver to be here on Tuesday about five in Doctor's Bend.

6th Sunday.

7th Mr. Looney sent a man named Tho' Featherstone with sines to clean the graft seeds, but while a place was being prepared for the purpose, he went away, no one knew whither. — 28 men at the Threshing Machine; — threshing stack of wheat at Big Paddock sheepyunds. — 58 sacks today. — Rode round One Mile Bend; and found everything looking well. — Memo: Take down the Stockyard, at Poplar's Lodge and put it up at the intended new Farmyard in Big Paddock. — Repair Sheepyards there. —

Allensby misbehaving himself concerning the sending of potatoes to the Cottage: he is in his element when making mischief: — what a character he bears! — envious, malicious, lying, revengeful, scurrilous, quarrelsome, and coarse; on the other hand he is sober, honest, useful, industrious, and a Rehebe. What an excellent servant if a Christian! —

8th Settled with Mr Lewis and Wm Stroud from Chesnut. — Both left, one on account of ill health, and the other to go to Mr Bonney's at Delosaine. — Wrote to Mr Davidson by him, to keep 2 men constantly threshing oats; to hire the carpenter from Mr Reed's; to have the wirey grafts chopped up for the plastering; & to let me know if a blacksmith could be sent up advantageously. — Finished threshing wheat 121 sacks. — Arranged for the machine men to go to Fairfield tomorrow: the men of nos 4 & 6 huts to return half their meat & flour, on account of nobody being left in these huts. —

9th Beth at wall of stableyard. — Gilham & Barrett preparing sacks of Kitcher's — the threshing machine &c. and men sent to Fairfield. — Rode round Staggers's Point &c. Found the rains

Wheat
Sheepyunds
Stockyard
Allensby
Mey from Chesnut
Wrote to Mr Davidson
Wheat
Machines to Fairfield

doing well:— the long grass there sh^d be burnt off, to make way for the English grass which is growing among it's tufts. Rec^d a letter from Mr Pitcairn, says that he had sent two sets of parchments to Mr Gleadow for me. — also a letter from Mr Buckland acknowledging the receipt of the Specific^m that I sent him. — My Father received a letter from Mr Bartley stating that he w^d send for the grass seed if not required by my Father, or that he w^d allow 24 lbs to the bushel. advised that the latter proposal sh^d be accepted. —

10th Seth at Stableyard &c. Githam & Barrett at sashes. — Made out the account of John Jones the Painter. — Reading "Deaubigné". — Dined at Davie's, — it being T. Sythleton's birthday, — of age. — 99 bushels of wheat from Fairfield. —

11th My Father with Mr G. went to Lameceston. — I went out shooting with Mr Youl after breakfast, and we killed, between us, only 11 brace of quail. Mr H. Reed came in during the evening. He said he had settled the matter abt Mr Greenhill's farm, that he was to get £1500 for it, and that Davie had written a letter of apology dictated by him. — 66 bags of wheat from Fairfield. — gave Gleaver Mr Brookes note to procure subscriptions for the tribute to Mr West. —

12th Arranged with Carr and France to do the fencing in the Doctor's Bend, — the dead wood fence at $1\frac{1}{9}$ per rod and the post & rail fence (the posts being morticed) at 9 per rod, to draw their own timber with our bullocks. — The post rail fence with thres cost $3\frac{7}{8} \cdot 2$ per rod, rather more than double the price of the dead wood fence. — My Father returned from Lameceston. — He had arranged with Mr Bartley (who was astonished at the filth in his seed) to take his grass seed at 28 lbs to the bushel, — and had also bought some more about 50 bushels from Samart, at 6/ per bushel. —

14th A very wet day. — My Father decided that the 2 yrs old Rambles stock sh^d not be handled until 3 yrs old, — as^t my advice. — Mr Yossy sent over Featherstone to clean the grass seed. —

Petition

Mr Bartley
Grass seed

T. Sythleton
Wheat

Quail
Mr Reed &
Greenhill's
affair
Wheat

Fencing
in
Doctor's Bend

Grass seed

Featherstone
Parchments

I saw that the store was cleared sufficiently for him to do it, and Harvey was ordered to assist him. — Cider also was given them. — John Foster, Prob: sentenced to 1 month, on the roads, for being off the premises without leave. — My Mother went to Lanneston & returned. — I received yesterday the parchments Mr Pitcairn had forwarded for me, through Mr Gleadlow. —

Carrage horses

Ram dead
Young Rams

Drain
1 Mile & 1/2

Grass Seeds

Harman

Drain

Gardens

15th Saw to the grass seed. Setts at Stable yard wall &c. — Latham at sash &c. — Rode with Mr Rostie round the paddocks, by the new sheep yards, through Stony Point to see the ditches, — and the Barley ground. — Marked out line of fence in Doctor's Bard. — Saw the bay horse belonging to Mr B. Harvey, bred by Wm Field, — sent here as a match for the grey carriage horse and did not like the look of him: thought he wd not do. — too long a stepper and too sleepy. — Mr H. wanted £8 and the brown colt for him. — My Father sent him back. — Grose told me there was a young Ram dead in Walker's Flat. —


16th Young Rams in the yard counted, with 84 Rams, 214. — Mr Gould sent for and took away Mr Wombos's apples. — Rode with Mr Rostie to One Mile Bend and arranged the direction of drains from the cultivation & swampy ground, — with a view to breaking up the low land some day. — Read the Archdeacon's pamphlet on Transpⁿ, and liked it very much. — Setts still at Stable yd. &c. Latham preparing Roof for same. — Designing town for Mr Loasey. — Harman finished the new sheep yards. Sent Sims to measure the gateways. —

17th Featherstone finished the best of the grass seed today. 108½ measured bushels, weighing each 30½ lbs; — and commenced the splantings. — Harman finished sheep yards: I gave him £1 and told him to put up a guide brush-fence in each of the paddocks. — Rode to the One Mile Bend to see Symons try to open a drain in tussocky ground: it was a troublesome job owing to the presence of much water on the lands, — but saves a great deal of manual labour, besides marking out the line of drain at once. — Sent some verses entitled "A few lines on a few Leaders" to R. Dry. — Had my name docked and marked. Gave Gardner who left for Lanneston

£1. 7. 0. — Gilham preparing for zinc roof in corner stable yd. —

15th Rain during the night and all day after 12 o'clock. — Weatherstone finished cleaning the grass, seed, and made it 127 $\frac{1}{4}$ bushels of clean seed, thus 109 $\frac{1}{2}$ best, — 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ from sproutings, & 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ from rubbish. —

Grass seed

Gilham finishing ironing table: Seth lathing ladder. — Sims had made 6 gates for sheepy^s entirely of battens as directed by me thus  nailed instead of morticed, the top & bottom rails on one side of the heads, & the middle rails on the other, the brace between them, nailed to all: — they promise to last, and are very cheap, — about 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ each.* — Finished W^m Yocsey's Tower. — * Small gates $3\frac{1}{2}$ wide

Batten gates

19th Seth breaking doorway in the wall of garden: Gilham & mate constructing zinc roof. Commenced cleaning Fairfield wheat. — Examining samples of wheat & rye grass seed, and seed oats. — Rode to new sheepyards and drain in Mile B. —

Wheat & rye

Returned P. P. Carpenter to Prisoner's Barracks, sent yesterday by W^m Jones.

20th Sunday.

21st The river which was rising fast yesterday, is running over its banks today, and 18 inches above the bridge. — Sailed in the dingy. — The drains cut to let the water off low ground, now lead the water on, they require small flood traps. — Drew 40 W. from the turnips. — Grase brought in

Grass

Letters
Young Jones
Cassell's Book

the ~~same~~ young Ewes to be dressed — Cassell's Ewes to come in tomorrow. — Rode round 1 mile Bend. — Rec'd letters (& papers) from Major Darvall; stating that he had sent a case of oranges for me by the Williams. — Scuffle yesterday between Seth & William at the cottage. —

Major Darvall

Lancaster
Oranges

22nd Rode into Lancaster. — Arranged that the box of oranges should be sent out by coach, had my hair cut, and disgusted with the town, returned home, although I had intended to remain all night. — Paid expenses (4/6) at the Cornwall. — Met Parkinsson who enquired about fat cows at Cheshunt — to let him know. —

Parkinsson

Old kitchen

23rd My Father and W^m J. L. went into Lancaster. — Commenced clearing out the kitchen and pulling down the old wall: took up the floor and pavement, under which we found and killed, a rat: — destroyed, a large

number of cockroaches. - Barriage not back from Perth till 4 to 5 o'clock.
Jones the painter away from his work: he went to Doderly's aid,
took away my box of oranges, saying that he wd bring it here,
but went to a public house with it and has not come back.
Gave out to Miles & Webb 3 blankets & rug each. - 100 bushels of
Fairfield wheat, weighing by 2 lbs to the bushel sent to Brickendon
A thick fog all day. - Mr John Aubin's boy called concerning the road
that was to be made by the Probationers at Selborne Station, to the
building of which the Settlers subscribed: - No dependence can
be placed on the promises of the Government, when their interests
cease to accord therewith. -

24th Very foggy almost all day. - Marked out road towards Rhodes
with Wm Rostie, 18 feet wide. - Pulling down wall in Kitchen, &c.
Found my boy Mearc lame in the back sinews of off fore leg. - Took
up brown mare. - Received box of oranges, 14 doz. in fine order.
2 doz. to Mearc, 1 doz. each to Ellen, Susan, Mary, Joe, & Mr J. Aubin.
My Father back from Seameston. - To shoot at Bressy on Monday next.

25th - Pulling down old Kitchen wall. - Commenced road towards
Rhodes, 24 feet wide, abt 2 feet from hedge. - Rode to look at Harrow
work at the sheepyards and allowed him One Pound for it. -
Settled with him up to this day, giving him 7/- for extra work,
in all £1.17.6. - Arranged with him to put up decayed posts in the
fences at the rate of 6 per post. - My Father decided that a space
of 45 feet should be left between the fences of new road, making
the roadway 24 feet, 18 of which to be made up for use, in the
center between the fences. - Received 13 nos of the Tasmanian Journal,
from Rev R. R. Davies. - Sold Pigeon to Wm Rostie for £15 in fulfilment
of a promise to give him £10, reckoning her value at £25. - Recd the money
by a cheque on the M.B. - Recd 2/6 from Cleaver, subscribed for Rev J. West. -

26th My Father having directed that 60 feet instead of 45 feet shd be left
between the fences for the new road; I went with Wm Rostie and
marked out the ground, from gate to gate. Rode to Brickendon to
borrow "boobies". - Sent note to Wm Crokes enclosing order to pay £1 for me
to Mr West's Lecturical and the Longford 2/6. - Gave Cleaver another

Oranges

Went to
Brickendon

Return Road

New Road

Oranges

Old Kitchen

Harrow

New Road

Tasmanian
Journal

Sold Pigeon
to Wm Rostie

Mr West's
tribute

parchment for the enrolment of signatures to Mr Pitcairn's Petition. - Buzoyne £2.8

Buzoyne

27th Sunday: -

28th Heavy showers all day - Seth cutting hole for doorway into Larder.

Gilham at Stokes &c. - H. Symons in town. - Making up Stock Book.

Boressey

29th Refreshed White £12 for 1 year. - Rode to Bressy and left my design for a

Jack Boots

Tower. - Picked up & made draw of curious fungus. - Went to the new road,

Waters

fitting in window & door frames in Kitchen. - Rec on 28th Jack Boots for Wilson

Source of Lower Farm

30th Walked to the new piece of road, and marked out its continuance across

the Home Padth. - Exam^d the wheat for Mr Walker, in Woolhouse. - Rode to

see the fence on the N. side of 45 acre Padth, Lower Farm; and found that almost

all the posts had rotted below the ground; they had not been charred.

Heavy showers during the latter part of the day.

July 1st Arranged with George Harman to take up fence at Lower Farm, 180

panels long, and put it down as a 3 railed fence, cutting off the rotten part

of the posts, & turn^d them upside down, for 1/2 of one shilling per rod: to have

the stuff carted for him. - This job, by altering the direction of the

fence will give us 60 panels of fencing complete, & 180 rails. - Told Mr W. K.

to make up the new road temporarily until the Spring. - Rec letter

from Mr MacLachlan announce^s Meeting of subscribers to the Mid. Agr. Soc.

and asking for paym^t of two years subscription, and entrance money in all £5

of which I am sure that I have paid £3. - Saw my horses which are

doing well. - Worked in the forenoon at the road to the bridge, opening

small channels for the rain water and filling in holes. - Rode to the

Lower Point. - Harman commenced pulling down fence. - Lake River ris^g?

2nd Rainy weather. - Seth mov^d old door of Kitchen and putting in a window

in the vacancy. - Gilham & Barrett floor^d rooms above Kitchen, stud^d &c. -

River 6 inches above bridge, fall^d. - Miles said that he chased a man, whom

he met after tea in the passage between wall & Laundry, but he escaped. -

3rd Rode to Fairfield, and back. - Made a rough sketch of the place. -

Memo: 14 sheep on the Plain. - J. G. offered me £55 for brown mare. -

Rec bill from R. Bell. - Memo: 6 lbs of rendered fat are obtained from 8 lbs

of rough fat, which are taken from each turnip-fed wether, at Washburns. -

and the value of wool, skin, & fat from each is about 6/6^d; leaving the

cost of the meat, valuing each sheep at 11/6^d, only 5/- or about 1 1/2 per lb. -

Place at Lower Farm

Seth from Mr MacLachlan

Harman

River high

Fairfield

Profits of Store Sheep

4th Sunday: -

Munden
Quail

5th Rode to Munden with Robert Archer and shot with him at quail, bagging after much walking to brace. - Munden seems to be a good summer run for sheep and cattle but very wet in winter. - John Harris down.

New Road
Burning off

6th Walked to the new road and into the Big Pad^k to see how the grass had grown where it had been burnt; I am fully impressed with the advisability of burning our runs every second or third year. - I will begin by burning a border all round, and then set fire on the windward side, taking care that no dead trees are left where they will be likely to fall across fences into adjoining runs. - The Paddocks also should be allowed time, previously to burning, for the grasses to deposit their seed; after which they should be heavily stocked, and then burnt. - They will thus be always in good order and carry one quarter more stock. - Rode with my father to the new road; who did not seem displeased at what had been done; - and afterwards to the Lower Point to see Harman; - Seth making good the drains from Kitchen & Sanders. - Gilham & Barrett. Boarding rooms over Kitchen. Lewis wife, new back & Saunders came yesterday.

Munden
Saw

7th Rode to see the sheep on Turnips in One Mile Bend, and the draining. - Gilham & Barrett same job. Seth working in Sanders. -

Robbery of
Tea by
barbarians

8th Examined 20 Chests of Tea, brought by Child's team from Mr. Reed's, having heard that they had been opened and abt 6 lbs of tea taken from each; - found they had been broken into & tea abstracted.

Deadwood
fence

Rode to the fence being made by Harman, & the New Road. - Arranging with Cass about deadwood fence. - He offered to put it up, if we cut and carted the timber, for 1/2 per rod. - My father would not let him have the job, saying it was twice too dear; & that our own men must do it. - Grose & Brizstock shedding the Spare Rams. (104).

Shaw
Rams

9th Walked to the Turnips, One Mile Bend, and drove to the Slaughter House 39 Wethers. - Payne & mate turning the corner by the road with the drains. - Sold Mr. Rostie to commence the deadwood fence. - Grose & Brizstock finished the Rams. - Recd bill from Hawley & Co. Robert Town for 13/6, Engraving card plate &c. - Read letters from R. H. & W. Pitcairn, about reimbursing Mr. Macklan the money he expended in England, on

Spains
O.M.P.

Hawley

account of the interests of the Colony, about £150. —

10th Seth flagging Dry Garden. Gilham studding above Kitchen. — Walked to the new road, where they are felling trees for the deadwood fence. — Rec^d a second bill from R. Bell. — Finished ploughing 45 acre Pad, ^{at} Lower Farm.

11th Sunday —

12th Walked to see the 3railed fence being put up by Harman, — and the post rail fencing by Sam^l & France in Doctor's Bend. — Rode to Longford. Seth lathing rooms above Kitchen. Gilham laying skirtings &c. ~~by the way~~

13th Mr Reed came last night. — Rode round Stagger's & Lower Points: the best farms in excellent order. — Sent a small box of BK Linnant Jell &c. to Mr Darwall by "Maids of Bashmere". — Gave Mr McRostie notice that the whole of the Mile Bend was to be laid down this year: — 45 acre Pad, ^{at} Lower Farm, half in Turnips & half in oats. — 50 acre Pad to be summer fallowed. — Lower Stony Point to be left fallow. — Wrote out "Articles of Agreement" between John Harris Shepherd, & Tho' Archer Esq. —

14th Mr McRostie commenced the deadwood fence at the side of new road. Walked there. — Mr Wedge — Sam, France, & Mate commenced yesterday felling trees for the deadwood fence in the Doctor's Bend. — Rain. — Calculated the expence of cultivating Turnips in drills at £1.13.4 per acre each of which, if Swedes will keep for 4 mos and fatten 10 merino Wethers. or keep 170 for a week. — The difference effected in the value of the sheep by the Turnips is 6s. per head, and the profit upon every acre is therefore £3.0.0 — £1.13.4 = £1.6.8 or upon the 60 acres £80.0.0. — In this calculⁿ I estimated, the cost of one man's labour at 7d per diem: — the cost of one horse keep & wear & tear of harness &c. at 16½ per diem: — that of a pair of oxen at 1½ per diem: — Wrote to Major Darwall. — Calculating two instead of three ploughings, the expence per acre will be only £1.10.0, and therefore the profit will be the same, supposing an equal crop. No manure was used.

15th Made further calculations as to the expediency of cultivating turnips & found the results as stated in the affixed paper. — Seth lathing rooms over Kitchen. — Gilham fixing doors &c. — Rec^d £50 from 7th for men. — Walked on the plain and opened the channel in various places in the ditch. — Fruit trees bought in Hobart Town, brought from Perth today, many having been stolen, most likely by the carrier. — Sent Webb to a man

R. Bell

By full
manured

Box to
Major Darwall

Cultivating
for 4 years

John Harris
Shepherd

Expence of
Turnips

Expence of
Turnips

Plant
trees

laths bought from Winc, at 12/

60 acres in Turnips

3 Ploughings	4 men & horses	45 days	34. 17. 6
Drilling	2 " 4 "	30 "	11. 12. 6
3 Harrowings	3 " 6 "	12 "	6. 19. 6
Sowing & Rolling	1 " 1 "	20 "	2. 10. 6
Horse & hand hoeing	7 " 1 "	64 "	30. 9. 6
Picking, huddling &c.	2 " 9 "	90 "	} 12. 5. 0
Ditto	1 " 9 "	30 "	
Seeds	15 lbs		<u>98. 14. 6</u>
			15. 0
			<u>£ 99. 9. 6</u>

Comparison between the profits of Turnips and native-grass land. 4 months - 10 acres.

Native-grass

Profit

10 sheep at 35 lbs meat $\frac{1}{2}$	2. 3. 9
" " $1\frac{1}{2}$ " wool $\frac{1}{6}$	15. 7
" " $1\frac{1}{2}$ " Rend $\frac{1}{4}$	5. 0
" " Skin	3. 4
	<u>£ 3. 10. 10</u>

Int^t office of 10 acres of land at £1 per acre - 6% cent. $10 \times \frac{6}{100} = 6. 0$

Profit per acre £ 6. 8. 0

per sheep . 8

Turnips

100 sheep at 50 lbs meat $\frac{1}{2}$	31. 5. 0
" " $1\frac{1}{2}$ " wool $\frac{1}{6}$	11. 5. 0
" " 6 Rend $\frac{1}{4}$	10. 0. 0
" " Skin	1. 13. 4
	<u>54. 3. 4</u>

Int^t office of 10 acres of land at £1 per acre - 6% cent. $10 \times \frac{6}{100} = 6. 0$

Working land &c. $16. 13. 4$

Feeding sheep &c. $10 \times \frac{1}{10} = 1. 0. 0$

Profit per acre £ 3. 14. 4

per sheep $\frac{8\frac{1}{2}}{10} = \text{nearly } 9.$

Supposing 100 or 150 acres of grass at 1500 or 150 " Turnips, but the native grass is much more at 7/6 and sold at 3 pence - the profit by turnips exceeds that by grass by £72. 10. 0

10 sheep at 42 lbs meat $\frac{3}{4}$ - 5. 5. 0

Int^t of 15 acres at £1 per acre - 6. 0

15 | 4. 19. 0

Profit per acre £ 6. 7

or £ 4. 19. 0

Original cost of sheep $\frac{7}{6}$ - 3. 15. 0

Profit in 4 months £ 2. 4. 0

per sheep $\frac{2. 4. 0}{10} = 2. 4. 0$

150 sheep at 48 lbs meat $\frac{3}{4}$ - £90. 0. 0

Int^t of 15 acres - 6. 0

Expenses of Turnips - 25. 0. 0

15 | 64. 14. 0

Profit per acre £ 4. 6. 0

or £ 64. 14. 0

Orig cost of 150 sheep $\frac{7}{6}$ - 56. 5. 0

Profit in 4 months £ 8. 9. 0

per sheep $\frac{8. 9. 0}{150} = 1. 15$

to paper - Set the bathing rooms over from 7 lbs for men. - Walked Quails 4 brace each of grey quail & trees The river over the bridge - fu

One Man per hebdow. Rations

10 1/2 lbs of Meat	2 1/2	2.25
10 1/2 " " Flour	1 1/4	1.12
3oz " " Tea	1/8	3.56
1 1/2 " " Sugar	3/4	4.87
1 1/2 " " Soap	6	.75
		<u>4.05</u>

about 4/0 1/2 per week or nearly 4 pence

One Horse per hebdow.

140 lbs of hay at £3	4.9
1 1/2 bushel oats at 3/-	4.6
Harness, Smiths, &c - about	3
	<u>8.9</u>

about 1/4 1/4 per diem

Pair — 2/8 1/2 " "

Pair of bullocks
1 1/2 per diem

21th Walked to the new road. and
on the slope to the gate. — On the

named Winch about laths: he has 5000 at 12/- per m. -

16th Walked to the new road: - and found the fence getting on rather slow
Marked out some trees to be left. - Heavy showers. - Read the debates on
Lord J. Russell's Propositions for the relief of Ireland, in the Record. - 3000
laths bought from Winch, at 12/- per m. - 15 lbs of lath nails from Jacobs
making 25 lbs obtained from him. -

17th Laths finishing lathing of rooms over Kitchen. Gilham fitting up windows &c. in
Kitchen. - Most of the fruit trees supposed to have been stolen had been
forwarded to Perth, and were brought thence by Webb. - Rec^d letter from Dr
Brack enclos^g receipts from Wilson & Hawley; also a note from W^m MacLanahan
allow^g that I had paid £3 at the "Show" of Medical Meeting. - J. G. brought my
Coopers Patt^r gun from Goble's, Banceston. - Weighed myself today 11 stone 2 lbs.
Prepared for making a model of a Woolpress. -

18th Sunday.

19th Showery weather: the rivers rising. - Commenced model. - Walked to the new
road and marked out many trees to be felled. - Arranged with my father the
formation of that part of the road on the slope, near W Walker's boundary. -
Laths plastering above Kitchen. Gilham finishing doorways. -

20th Made a drawing of brace for Kitchen fireplace; & gave directions for its being
made, also bears to the windows. - Rode to the new road; and One Mile Bend to
look at the drains. - Walked out with my old Coopers Patt^r gun, and only
killed one quail out of many shots. - The river rising slowly. - Weather fine
after 6 days of more or less rain. - $\int \text{d}x = \frac{1}{2} x^2 + C$. -
Worked a little at model. -

21st Walked to the new road, and gave directions as to the formation of the road
on the slope to the gate. - On the way back drained a quantity of water off the
road in Top Pad^g. - Worked at model. - The Governor yesterday gave notice
in Council that Hansf^r had ceased for ever to V.D.S. - Hurrah! Hurrah!

22nd Rode to Bressy and went out in the rain with Yoasey after quail. Killed
4 brace each of grey quail & tried 2 days of J. Moore's. Brutes! - Rain, rain.
The river over the bridge - falling slowly. -

23rd Worked at model. - Gilham attired window board in Dining Room.
Laths lathing Kitchen ceiling. Barrett preparing stuff for Staircase. -
Rode to the new road, & Doctor's Bend. - Gilham finishing Kitchen windows

Laths
Jacobs

W^m MacLanahan

Model
gun

Model
Quail

Quail

Quail
ceased

Quail

Ordered that Phoebe, being useless & valueless, should be destroyed. —
 Finished the 4th volume of the Reform by Deubigne. — Weather fine.
 24th Gilham & Barrett planing boards & lath & plastering kitchen, & fixing bars to 2
 windows in kitchen. River risen. — Brigstock got in Cuspell's flock, but
 I sent them back to their run, expecting rain, though the morning was fine.
 Rode with Jolly to the Avenue & directed us to the formation road: — also to
 Dr's B^d and told Cass about gateway &c. — Harman finished, 3-railed fence
 yesterday: — I sent him to look at Big Pad^k sheep yard, with a view to repair
 or renewing it. — He told me it could not well be repaired. — Cass, Kramce
 & mate commenced the deadwood fence on the 20th, cutting down trees
 for it a week previously. — Finished articles of agreement between John Harris
 and G. L. and witnessed their signature by the former. — he has hired for
 3 1/2 years at £20 per annum, & has rec^d £19 in advance. — Rowed & sailed
 my dingy to Lower Story Point and back: — found the crab-kn^t in
 Barley ground stand^d famously. — Doubts were expressed on Thursday
 at the meeting of S. C. as to the legality of the "pat" "six" taking the oaths and
 their seats, by Sir J. S. Pedder. — The case appears to me clear. — The Queen
 did not accept their resignⁿ, and did not confirm their successors; — therefore
 the seats were vacant, & filled, by Sir W. G. Denison until &c. — Heavy rain.
 25th Working at model. — Direct^d Gilham about Staines. Gilham sawing deals for same
 with Ayres. — Barrett planing boards. — Seth, plastering kitchen ceiling. — Walked with
 Harman to sheep yard, which I decided not to touch: to fence on West side of Big Pad^k
 which I arranged that Harman should brush thoroughly, where the rails are
 more than 6 inches apart, for the sum of 5 1/2 per rod; and to replace the rotten
 posts at 6 a post: — and to the 3-railed fence of One Mile Bend, which I arranged
 with him should have a rail inserted between the two top rails of every
 panel at the rate of 3 per rod. — Rain. — W. M. Sean & R. D. K. wife & children came.
 26th Myself with Seth and 7 others emptied the cellars of 700 buckets of
 water, in the space of 2 hours & 20 minutes. — Went out after lunch with
 W. M. Sean & R. D. K. to One Mile Bend. W. M. S. shot 4 birds, I shot 1 out of 2 shots,
 not wishing to fire at all. — Fine. — On thinking again on the banquet affair
 it appears to me that the six or 4c. being appointed until the Queen's pleasure
 were known, the Queen made known her pleasure to the effect that the
 Governor should select the required members from the 12 (or 4c and Greyson &c.)

Phoebe

Cuspell's flock

Harman

Cass & Co

John Harris

Legislative Council

Sunday

Harman

Emptying cellars

Quint

The Governor selected six as directed;— Had he chosen 3 of the Orte party it would only have been necessary to have stated the Queen's disallowance of the remaining 3, and her confirmation of the chosen 3:— Had he chosen the six he would have stated the Queen's confirmation of the 6 and the Gregon party would have remained out.— It appears unnecessary that the resignations of Members should be accepted, by the Queen; but, as they are appointed under the sign manual of Her Majesty, it seems a breach of prerogative to accept their resign^{ts} without her sanction.— News various expendant.— Wetters moved into Starkeyards.—

28th I find by today's papers that the Judges have decided that the six Gregon & were illegally appointed, as were the former six Orte:— therefore the individ^{ls} of the present six retire in favour of each other.— What trash! Walked to Avenue worked at Model.— Letter from W^m Pittman asking for parchment^s of signatures.—

29th Rode with W^m McLean & R.R.K. to Panshanger.— Gillham & Barnett at Stearns & both plastering rooms above Kitchen.—

30th Walked over One Mile Bend, with my gun and W^m McLean's two dogs & Rutland. Killed 8 birds, misped 2 shots.— Ditches require to be opened.— Turnips not properly fed off.— Went to see Harman working at brushing the fence in Big Pad.
Rode to Avenue and marked some trees to be felled;— then to Doctor's Bend, & gave directions to bars about gateways in bog fence: also over the flat making observations with a view to draining the land, which can be readily effected.—

31st W^m McLean & R.R.K. wife & chairs left.— Cuspell's ewes in the yard: I earmarked &c. the lambs amount to 379.— There were in the yard exclusive of strangers &c. 384 ewes only: shewing a deficiency of about 195 ewes.— Grass from some cause, yet unknown was not present, though directed to be.— Bristock operated dressed 1 ewe & 1 lamb with Merc^r Dint^{ts} for scabs.— Found 7 or 8 knots of scabs.

I learn by this day's papers that the Governor, on account of new questions being raised as to the Judges decisions, has decided not to attempt the pass^g of any Acts until he has advice from England.— Rode to the Avenue.—

Augst 1st Sunday.

2nd Walked to the Avenue & directed the cutting down of an awkward tree, growing in the midst of a young wattle's branches. &c.— Had in the remainder of Cuspell's ewes 164 instead of 195: there is either a mistake in yesterday's count or

a large deficiency: Samples 16y. — Brightstock operated. — Rode afterwards to Stony Point to see Grose who is ill. — Beaver brought the second set of parchments filled up all but a few names, which I supplied from Woolmers. — Wrote to W Pitcairn.

Parchments of P. albion

Cellars
Parchments

Simms
Rollins

Grose ill
Young boy

Spinning
dead wood
fence

Wallhook

Woods

W. P. H. H.

Sugar
Fruit
Stable

Ovens

Rev Mr S.
Pauschauer

3rd Emptied the cellars of about 360 buckets of water. — Sent the two filled & the blank parchments to W Pitcairn by box's coach, (by Webb). — Touched up Alfred's portrait. — Worked hard at model. — Simms hired for two years at the rate of £25 per annum. — Sent Wethers to One Mile Bend to finish the last pen of turnips, which were not more than half eaten when left. — Commenced read^g Rollin's Anc^t History.

4th Model. — Rode to see Grose. — Fought against the fence between Grose's corner & Stony Point near the river, a 2-teeth tree dead, from the flock in One Mile Bend, brought down by the flood. — Finished dead wood fence at the side of the Avenue. — Kilgour went to see him. — Letter from W Brooks. — Gave the blacksmith orders about ~~about~~ wall-hooks for rods to train trees to.

5th Walked to Avenue and marked out continuance of the line of road through the Home Paddock. — also gave direct^{ns} as to cut^s down all the dead trees near the roads in the various runs so that the wood cart may not be taken on to the boggy ground. — Marked out several places in the roads for alteration. — Rode to Harrison's Bend, Fairfield, to look for quail. — Set plaster^g ceilings of rooms above Kitchen. — Gilbert & B Barrett putting up Staircase &c.

Made a sketch plan of orchards &c. in order to have the line of roads through the upper one marked out.

6th Rode to Mr Reed's to see our wagon loaded with Sugen (2 tons) soap & (2 cwt) Iron &c. — Inspected Reed's extensive premises, and thought well of his stable for cart horses which has a wall in front of the horses and lattice work behind them: this arrangement will tend, I think to make them more hardy. I also saw his oven, which is heated by the fire passing through a flue round it, without entering it at all, so that the hearth or floor of it is kept clean and is more lasting; the grate is at one side.

Mr Starkhouse assembled the men at Pauschauer today for the

Draycott

first time. - Debating road by the cottage & through the orchards, and steaming stones for the kitchen with my father. - Draycott from Chestnut Hill. - Mr D. says Mr. Kelly is sentenced to 3 mos on the roads. 7th Gilham to get out rows of pegs for bedrooms over kitchen. Setts plastering kitchen ceiling. - Walked into the paddocks where men are at work cutting down dead trees near the roads for fuel; and also to the new road. - Ric^d letter from Major Darwall. - Plans of Hagley Church from Rev^d W Davies. -

8th Sunday.

Deadwood fence

9th Walked to Doctor's Bend to measure the post-rail & log fencing put up by Carr France & another; and made it 90 rods of the former and 86 rods of the latter. - Inspected upper orchard, with a view to leading a road through it. - Made an abstract from Mr Postie's Diary of the numbers of men horses & oxen employed in putting up deadwood fence on the S. side of the new road. -

Mr & Mrs France

10th - Settled with Carr & H^o for splitting rails and fancing in full. - Rode to look at 3railed fence by Harman, Wildcat Pad^d &c. - Advanced to Mr Carr & W. France, each £1. - Made a comparative calculation of the cost of putting up a deadwood fence by our own men & by jobbers, and found the following result. -

Deadwood fences

Our own men Probationers &c.

Carr & H^o Free & S. L. Jobbers.

9 men 23 days at 1/4 per diem each	£12 0 6
2 horses 10 " at 16 1/4 " " "	1 7 6
8 bullocks 21 1/2 " at 3/4 " " "	10 6
Overseer 23 " at 5/ " " "	5 15 0
138 rods of deadwood fence at 2/10	£19 13 6
86 rods " " " at 1/9	£7 10 6
8 bullocks 13 days at 3/4 per diem each	6 6
86 rods of deadwood fence at 1/9 1/4	£7 17 0

The 3 jobbers with the assistance of 1 good bullock driver and 8 bullocks put up 5 1/2 rods per diem; and the 9 Probationers &c, our own men, with the assistance of 8 bullocks, and horses sometimes, put up 6 rods per diem. - Reckoning the overseer at £45 per annum, the cost of the fence put up by our own men would be about 2/6 per rod. - 17 sheep drawn from Huttons on turnips. - Emptied 240 buckets from cellars. -

Withers Cellars

11th Arranged with my Father for a line of deadwood fence, forming 2 Pad^{ks}, being put up in the Big Pad^k, by base & Co. — Marked out the sweep of road from the end of the Avenue to the gate below with W^m Rostie. — Walked to the Points' Sheepyards and had in the ewes from Stony Point 145 (2 dead). — Lammeked the Lambs 163 i.e. $\frac{R.L.}{70} + \frac{W.L.}{15} + \frac{B.L.}{70} + \frac{C.L.}{8}$ and told Grose to move them into Lower Point. — Had in the Ewe Hoggets 35 and the early ewe & wether lambs 70. = 105. — W^m Davies, Brickendon took away 4 cart loads of Swedish turnips, to plant out for seed, agreeing to supply us next year. — Rode into Big Pad^k to look at the ground whereon the fence will be made. — sent to Mr France to look at it; and finally, arranged that they should undertake it at 1/3 per rod, to have 1/6 if that did not pay them. Marked out place for manure heaps in Starkeyard Pad^k.

12th Rode through Big Pad^k and part of Palmer's Inside and along West fence of the former home: found that Harman is not making so good a job of brushing the fence as he ought. — Went with Carr and measured 53 chains from new deadwood fence along our boundary towards W^m Walker's; set a mark there and marked with the tape a perpendicular, which I measured, 37 1/2 chains and set up another perpendicular the line of which brought me within 12 feet of the corner I sought to hit. — Marked out turn roads, inside gate.

13th Spare Rams in. Drew out 13 old, poor & shortwoolled into Barn Pad^k, the remainder 196, on to the turnips in Cottage Pad^k. — Counted the Wethers on turnips in Starkey^d Pad^k 424. — Rich^d Burton from Cheshunt rehired till March 1st 1848 for £6. — Marked out road near gate. — Rode round Walker's Flat and found, that about 150 panels of 4-railed fencing will be required to make good boundary fence.

14th Young ewes from One Mile Bend in theyard: dressed them. Counted 429 and there are 2 with Cusell's ewes, 1 cranby, 1 dead. — Young Rams & in: drew out 39 shortwoolled & otherwise inferior, to be castrated & put on turnips. Counted 132 Shearlings, 32 Hoggets, and, 8 Y Rams = 173 to go to Stony Point. — Measured and directed W^m Rostie as to forming road from Avenue towards the Cottage. — Rode to look at a situation for water-hole in Big Paddock. Tobacco to be issued in lieu of part returns by the Government to the Probationers. How absurd! —

New Road
Grove
Lanes
Stony Pt

Turnips to
Brickendon
Carr &
France
Measure
fence

Harman
Digging out
fence
wth Carr
Pad^k

W^m Walker's
Flat
Walker's
Flat

Young
Rams
Road
Tobacco
to be issued

15th Sunday.

Young Rams
Old Do

16th - castrated 39 young Rams, from the flock that was running in the Walker's Flat Paddock. Sent the 13 old Rams into One Mile Bend. - Gilham at work at dresser & putting on locks. - Seth making good foundation of hearth in Kitchen fireplace. -

Cheshunt

17th Seth paving Kitchen. Gilham prepar^d Kitchen table &c. - Started for Cheshunt, & after a tedious ride over an abominable road, reached Westbury. -

Elwin

18th Started for Cheshunt and reached it at 6 o'clock; having been obliged to return from the ford, on account of the river being too high, to Delonaine and, ride by the dreadfully bad, road, on the N. side of the Beekeeper. - Asked by Revd W. Williams to enquire as to the payment of the F.S. surgeon Elwin by W. Davidson. -

W. Davidson

19th Rode with W.D. over various paddocks, inspecting drains, and ground for cultivation; and thought with him that much injury had been done by letting on the land an excess of water, especially on paddocks which rather require to have the water drained, from them; and that it was necessary to pay particular attention to the drainage of the soil, above all things. - 3 years old Steers, young horses, and the sheep (83) brought from Braddick's flock doing well. - Rode to the mouth of Brigatons channel, and arranged with W.D. to build up with stones the opening in bank caused by the eddy of the river, near the sluice gate. -

Stock

Spirit of Turp

Enquired of W.D. about the use of spirit of turp in dressing sheep: he said he had proved it to be a perfect cure, and had always used it in the proportions of $\frac{1}{2}$ gill of spirit of turp to a bottle of thick soap & water, which quantity was sufficient to dress one sheep. -

W. Davidson

20th Met weather. - Made sundry calculations about the profit accruing from the sending of sheep to Cheshunt at shearing time and selling them in April of the following year: and found, there was barely a profit. - Enquired about the matter of Elwin, and ascertained that W.D. had paid him to the extent of £3.3.0 in clothes and £1 in cash; and that the man had behaved in an extortionate and improper manner. -

Elwin

Directed W.D. about a fence in the paddock by the house. -

Porter

21st Retired W. Porter for 12 mos at the same wages. - W.D. will require Draycote back and a good seedsman & ploughman: - also money for the men, which I must send him. - Started for Woburn at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 9 o'clock, and

Young Bulls saw Mr Shuckel at Debraice who is to take away the young bulls on Monday next: and will cash an order for me to the amt of £20 any time. —
Deam J. stopped 1½ hour at Westbury. Mr Deam Jr asked me to let him have some cows; to let him know by Wednesday's Post. — Hall the butcher on the way ~~up~~ asked me to let him have some muttons when fit. Reached Woolmers at half past six o'clock, horse, dogs, & self rather tired.

22nd Sunday

23rd Seth whitewashed wall of stable yard. — Gilham putting down skirting in kitchen. — Set Seth & Shaw to work getting out earth to inspect & cleanse drain from cellar: having commenced in the wrong place, being misled by another drain, filled in the hole, and began at the outlet of the right drain, working upwards. — Rode to Lower Point. —

Cellar drain

24th Seth & Shaw at cellar drain. — Gilham at dresser &c of kitchen. Rode to Walker's Flat, and marked out the branch from the Avenue to the food road, with W.W. Kestic. — Grace & Brigstock shedding Young Ewes. Superintend^d cellar drainage. — Made up stock-book of sheep, to July 1st. — Arranged junction of cottage road & Avenue; also division of Big Padk with my Father. — Paid Rev W Davies 5/- for 2 nos of Tasmanian Journal, I omitted to pay him for before. —

Young Ewes
Stock Book

25th Grace & Brigstock shedding young ewes. — Opened drain of cellar and let out the water. — Marked out gateway in Avenue at junction with the road from the cottage, & inspected the roads. — Marked out with spirit level a N. & S. line from corner of Home Padk fence, — and found it did not agree with the Chert. — Distance from S.E. corner of Big Padk to middle of Hairfield road 430 feet — to middle of Ranshanger road 2391 feet. — to where the N. & S. line cut S. fence 2688 feet. — from new E. & W. line of fence cuts N. & S. line to the corner aforesaid, 1645. — length of E. & W. line to N. & S. line 2574 feet. —

Young Ewes
Distances
N. & S. line
Big Padk

Made a calculation of the difference between the profits of present plan of sending sheep to be fattened, at Cheshunt & sold, and that of keeping & breeding sheep at Cheshunt; — found, the difference in favour of the latter upwards of £1100. —

Calculation of profits

Went to Lammeston. — Paid Bennett & Son £4.14.10 — Mr Bates 13.6. — Bill £1.7.3
Cameron for hat & braces £1.2.6. — Simpson £1.14.0. — Bought 10 silk hdkfs £2.5.0

Lammeston

at Dowling's. - Transacted business for my Father &c. - Grose & Brigstock dressing.
27th. Discussing with my Father a plan for obtaining a Bath room &c. in the house without doing away with the Schachroon: - gave him a plan for doing it. -

Cupell's runs

Went to Sheepyard and looked over Cupell's ewes & lambs with Grose and Brigstock. dressing such as required it. - Counted 576 ewes & 1 ewe & lambs of Mr S. Walker's. - Drew out 5 W. & 28. - the W. to be killed on the 29th, & the ewes to be mixed with the young ewe flock. - Rode to the branch road to the ford, &c. -

clothes

28th. Wet weather. - Arranged work for Gilham and Sette while I am in Hobart Town. - Received by the coach a new pair of trousers & waistcoat as well as my coat repaired from Williams the Tailor in Lancaster. -

29th Sunday. -

30th. Started for Hobart Town and arrived at W Maclean's at a little past 8 o'clock. - Met Messrs Gell, Davies, & Kermack. -

Hobart Town
Sept 31st
Hutchins School

31st. officiated as Architect at the laying of the foundation stone of the Hutchins School; and dined at Government House. -

1st. Dinner party at W Maclean's. - Rec^d invitation to evening party at Gov^t House on Friday. -

2nd. Wednesday. - Executed commissions for my Father &c. - Told Hawley to put my name down for Wordsworth's Greek Grammar & a Latin Grammar. - Left W Maclean's, and slept at the Ship Inn, to be ready for the coach in the moon. - Saw Mr Little, who read me his letter on the Hutchins School grant.

Returns

3rd. Left Hobart Town. - Major Grey, part of the way inside the coach; - joined by Messrs Davies & Gell at Rags. Reached home at 7 o'clock. -

4th. Discussed with my Father the best plan for stowing stones. - Rode round One Mile Bend to look at crops, drains, &c. - Harman finished brushing the fence enclosing cultivation, on Wednesday.

Harman

5th. Sunday. -

Cupell's
Cottages
R. Burton
Hutchins
at
at
at

6th. Making up week's accounts. - Marked place for Cupell's Cottages near corner of Orchard & Stable Yard. - R. Burton sent from Chestnut, as an idle fellow by Mr D. - Mr MacRostie speaking about the men strolling over the place on Sundays, without going to church, my Father gave orders that they should go to church, and that those men who omitted to do so should be reported to the proper authorities. -

Rode to look at the work along the boundary fence between Washburn & Panshanger, and the road at the same place, by Mr. J. Ankin; it did not approve of it. Agreed to lend to Mr. Wm Ankin 100 bushels of wheat, being the second loan of that quantity. Arranged with Geo. Harman (while the ground in the one White Bend, is drying) to take down the fence between the Cottage Pad^k and Thrusbery, and put up a new fence instead, cutting the hedge to a fence on one side, for 14 per rod. - The turnips beginning to run to seed. - Ordered Mitch cows to be put on the tops. - Paid Wm McKa^o 13/ for 3 spades, bought by him from Jacob's store while I was at Chestnut. - Gave him an order for 3 more on Wm Cha^o Reid. - Investigating prices &c. of draining. - Settled with R. Burton, and wrote by him to W Davidson. - Marked out a new line of road, towards Panshanger, through Big Pad^k, 73 chains long; and instructed Wm McKa^o as to the same. - 8 men, (4 of them farm labourers, 2 shepherds, 1 mason & 1 carpenter) arrived, today from Hobart Town: the 4 farm labourers to go with Draycott on the 9th to Chestnut. Rode round Doctor's Bend. - Enquiring as to prices &c. of draining.

DRAINS

No	Width Top	Width Bottom	Depth	Soil	Rods to a day's work	Englishment of Van Diemen's L ^d				Authority
						per rod	cut y ^d	per rod	cut y ^d	
1	ft. in 2.0	ft. in .8	ft. in 2.6	medium	average 23	.1	.1	.1	.1	Elkington
2	8.0	2.0	4.6	mossy	3	.11	.05	.	.	Ditto
3	2.0	.1	1.6	peaty	50	.1	.3	.	.	W.W. Davidson
4	3.0	1.0	2.6	stiffish	9	.	.	.12	.12	W.W. McKa ^o

8th Marked out the foundations of a cottage for John Caspell. - Sent an order to Wm Cha^o Reid's for 12 prs Blankets 5/4 - 4 doz. cabbage tree hats - 18 prs White Maleskin Trowsers. - Walked to see Harman trimming fuzge hedges. Rode to new dead wood fence, by Carr, France, & Benham. - Directed Sims as to caps of new gate posts. - Made up letters &c. to go by E. Draycott & the 4 new farm labourers to Chestnut tomorrow, with order for dinner on Rudge, Carrick, and on Syall for supper, beds, & breakfast, at Westbury. - Wrote to W Davidson to say that I thought 20 cubic yards of earth thrown up from a drain, a good average day's work for one man, - in this colony, - in average soils.

Index
to Accounts
Mr Reed's
drawings
Moore's
waggon
brought
wheat

9th Very wet weather. - Marked out road from stable yard. - Made up an index to Account Book. - Commenced my "Flockmaster's Handbook". - My Father returned from Lanneston. - Made out an advertisement of Sale of Rams. - Mr Reed's drain is 18 feet wide at top 16 feet at bottom & 3 feet deep, and he pays 7/8, 8/8, 9/8, or 10/8 according to the timber to be cleared, off the line. - Moore's waggon on the way to Perth with a load of wheat, 100 bushels of 65 lbs each, bogged in Mr Gould's land & the pole broke: sent another waggon & cart to relieve him & bring back the wet wheat.

Adaptation
of
Rams

10th Discussed the advertisement of Rams with my Father and forwarded by J. J. to Mr Weedon directions for the sale of 200 Rams 40, 6 teeth & full mouth, 60, 4 teeth & 100, 2 teeth. - Lett getting up foundation of Cuspell's Cottage. Gilham in Lanneston picking deals. - Settled with & discharged Moore. P. - Rode to Stagger's Point & found the Rams there very fat: gave directions for mixing the 2-teeth Rams with these. - Gilham brought Mr Bradbury's book from Mr Henty.

Barren
new fence
Perth

11th Rode to the New Road fence. Arranged with Carr to do the fence by the side of the road at 1/- per rod, the trees to be felled, and timber cut up by our men & drawn by our teams. - Went to Perth in the carriage with Mrs. M. at Liffolk.

Mr Bradbury's
Book

12 Sunday. -
13th Wrote to Mr Bradbury, telling him I had sent his book by Mrs Cox's coach also to Mr MacLachlan enclosing £2 my subscription for this year. - Directed Lett about new cottage. - My Father rec'd on Saturday account Sales of his wool. it brought about 1/2 more than any one else's; averaging 1. 9. 10.

Mr MacLachlan
£2 sub.

Deal
Rams
Drawing
for
Sale

At Shepheard Lower Point - Grose & Briggstock. - Rams from Stagger's Point in the yard; cleaning them. - Young Rams, drew out 63 for ourselves, including 32 Waggotts and mixed them with Rams in Stagger's Point. Put the others 109 included the 84 Rams in Stoney Point. - All Grose's ewes in the yard: drew out the best, in order to find their lambs. 156:

Grose's
ewes

made the total 499. There having been 11 dead: - drew out 2W. 71 lb. of our own & 11 strangers & drove the 14 into the Barren Pad. - Gave J. J. 10/- of tops for boots on account of 4. 11. 8. - Heard on the 9th that there is a judgement in favour of Bank of Australasia against Rich^d Dry for £6000 and against Chas Reed for 3000.

Sops

would be profitable to clear some of the ground in scrubby corner, and make a small shephard of it. — Went with "ma femme" to Perth to stop the night

19th Sunday. —

20th Prepared drawing of the roof of Bapell's cottages for Gilham, and drawings of patterns for the plate of the stewing-stones, which are to be cast by Peters of the Ironwall Foundry. — Rec^d letter from W^m Bradbury to say that the book sent by me to him was not that lent by him to me; for that was quite new, whereas this is old. Il a tort, je crois! — Rec^d note from W^m J^r Paul to the effect that he would gladly exchange a ram with us for the season and asking as to the price of our wool, — quantity of locks &c. — George Shaw

21st C. J. DORFV LEKVFD, came here today to ask for employment, saying his wife had left him &c. & promising all manner of things; My Father directed me to tell him that if he came in six months with a certificate of good character from a respectable person, he would do something to better his condition. — Harman came to say he could not wheel away the earth from the sides of the drains; I rode to see the work and marked out drains for him; — found

the ground too wet for wheeling. — Directed W^m Roster as to the junction of the Fairfield road, with the new Panshanger road &c. * gave him £2.

21st Directed Seth about new cottage. Made out drawings for patterns of hot plates and fire dogs for Kitchen. Started for Cheshunt & reached Westbury. —

22nd Proceeded to Cheshunt. met the last of the probationers leaving the Deloraine Station. — W^m Cauterney packing up. — Walked round several of the Cheshunt paddocks to see the new drains &c.; found the 3y^r old steers in fair order, considering the earliness of the Spring; — the young horses seem also to be doing well. Lynch draining at 4½ per rod the drain 2ft 6in. wide & 1ft 6in. deep, doing about 3 rods per diem; slow work

& good pay. — Told W^m Davidson to get in 80 acres of oats & 2 acres of tobacco. Most of the oats are in already & there will be about 180 acres of ground laid down this season. — W^m D. had obtained 200 bushels of oats from W^m Rockliff by W^m Reed's order, but they are much inferior to the sample sent by W^m D. to him; she said that sample was not grown at Wesley Dale Ramblers looking very well. —

23rd Started early for the top of Berminio's Head, taking Roster with me

Burnings's
Head

After some rough scribbly walking and climbing we reached the summit, in 3 1/2 hours after leaving the house; but were unable to get a view of the country below, on account of a thick mist having risen around us, accompanied with very strong wind, which made us shake with cold while exposed to it. Made some ^{tea} with melted snow & found it far from good, indeed, almost nauseous. - Saw an animal about the size of a small bandicoot, and like an opossum mouse, but not one I think, nibbling at a worm, but could not catch it. - After remaining 1 3/4 hour "aloft" we descended, and having narrowly escaped being lost (thanks to the compass) reached home in 4 hours, at 4 o'clock. - Passed on the way down, a Kangaroo's hut, which was no other than a large tree about 30 feet round, having skins pegged out upon its bark: - the man was "bearded like the pard"; gathered blossoms of white, pink, & red heathes, prickly minosa, blackwood

Robert
Grove
£20

some other shrubs, besides specimens of various plants that I met with. Hired Hampden at £9 a suit of clothes, & Fleming at £11 till his Y.L. & £12 afterwards, for 1 year each. - Haydon, Gagan, & Harris to leave. - Gave Mr Davidson a cheque of £60 for £20. Inquired about the man Elwyn. Davidson said, he had only been three times to see him & had once stopped several days on account of the river being high: & that he had given him £3.3.0 in slops & £1 in cash. -

Elwyn

24th Rode to see the "West End" of Chestnut with a view to making it a sheep run. Saw an admirable piece of ground for breaking up, lying down in English grasses & irrigating, about 150 acres, 4 miles from the house, - by the side of the Western creek. - Saw the 80 odd, wethers; they are fast improving in condition: - also inspected the bulls. - Mr Kermadec's large bull is in a middling order, the young bulls in good order. - The men are grumbling about their huts being so bad, no wonder! - Started & reached Westbury

West End
Chestnut

Wethers
Bulls

having seen Revd W Williams on the way & explained to him about Elwyn: - he said he had lent him £3.0.0, and thought if he promised to behave himself it would be well to keep him going. -

Elwyn

Westbury
25th
Deans
Sharpick

Saw young Deans & gave him an order on Mr Davidson to pick 30 out of the two lots of 50 odd, steers at £6 per head. -

~~Wethers~~
Wethers
Garrett & Waters

old him I should keep the Wethers. - Proceeded to woolmers. -
Memo. Sold on the 22nd 50 Wethers to Garrett & Waters, 45 at 13/6 + 5 at 12/6. -
26th Sunday. -

Harman
New road
Hudgson

27th Seth at new cottage. - Rode to see Harman at Doctor's Bend; & found he was not making a clean job of his work, but the marshy parts were drying well. - Walked to new road, and marked trees to be taken down &c. - Inspected woolhouse, Cider cellars, & stable lofts, with a view to preparing for shearing. Look on Hudgson till shearing. -

W. G. Reid
Cider
Hudgson
ditch
Bridg

28th Told Gilham to prepare the fascias for new cottage; & Seth as to chimney &c. Allensby & 4 men, with horse & cart got from woolhouse, and set up in the Cider cellars 40 casks of cider. - Preparing plan for temporary building for shears. - Making a drawing of an Auricula. - Shewed Hudgson the ditch on the 'Plain', and agreed that he should clean it out, & take the cast dirt for sowing down, at 2 1/2 per rod. - Made a design & specification for a bridge, over a watercourse, in the new line of road to Panshanger and explained the same to W. M. Rostie. - VVVVDFIFE. -

Ramsdale
W. G. Reid
Harman
shears

29th Intended to go this morning to the Ramsale at Campbelltown, but the fear of stormy weather prevented, me. - Making out a drawing for a build^r for shears. - Rode to Doctor's Bend and inspected Harman's work & gave him directions to make some covered brushwood drains. - Finished Auricula. - Rec^d letter from W. J. McArthur. - All the cider got into cellar. - 2 doz. of sheepskins from W. Jacob's. - W. Fleming here. -

Tallow
C. Reid
H. Reid
Stock
B. Pugh
Public
Meeting
College

30th Seth at sunset had both gables of new cottage up and the chimney nearly level with the ridge of the roof. - Let W. G. Reid know that we would send him the tallow. ^{13 1/2 bushels} - Rode round new road, and through Top Pad^r's home by the Plain: the new fence is up nearly to the middle of the marsh. - Made up Stock Book to Oct^r 1st: there are 568 more sheep here, this year than last. - VVVVDFIFE. - Sent back Dr. Pugh's Sizer's Anatomical Plates & the book of descriptions by W. J. Archer. - Public Meeting this day in Lameston on the subject of the Aborigines. -
Oct^r 1st Sent to W. Fleming Mr. Lowe's pamphlet & the Sydney paper contain^g his speech on the Squatting question. - Rode to the College, the anniversary of the opening of which was this day celebrated: Service at 11 o'clock; afterwards the Warden made a

Satin speech addressed partly to the visitors & partly to the young collegians, particularly those who had obtained scholarships; - the Rural Dean then gave an account of the revenue & expend^r of the establishment, finishing with a statement of a deficiency to the amt^t of nearly £1000; - the Warden then made an English oration and adjourned the assembly, who after a time sat down to a cold collation, and then dispersed. - Seth finished the cottage chimney. Gilham put^t up the fascias. - Mr Gregson

Colleg

#2 to the
Sawmills
Friday

Mr J. here. - Mr J. had paid a subscription of £2 to the London Agency for me, which I repaid him. - Mr G. said that the best rams sold at the Campbeltown sale brought about £2.12.0, & the worst 17/-.

Rams
Sale

2nd The Rams for sale in the yard. 93 from turnips 4 teeth, 6 teeth, & Hullmouths drawn out 1 infirm and 29 marked by dressing for scab, leaving for sale 40, 6 teeth & 4 m. 23, 4 teeth making a total of 63. - Afterwards 101, 2 teeth, drew out 1, leaving 100. Selected & marked the best Rams of the 63 lot. - Moved the infirm & others 31 in number to Walker's flat for the present. - Rode to Stagger's Point to inspect the Rams there & draw some off for sale; but having got them in to the huddle yard there found we could not examine them properly and postponed looking at them till Monday.

Stagger's
Point

Sale of
Rams at
Campbeltown

The strange ewes 4, 7 or 8 lately sent away have again crossed the river into our paddocks. - The Rams advertised for sale at Campbeltown, were mostly unsold; Mr Horton 100 at £2.10.0. Mr Herd 20 at same price, Mr P. Smith 100 at £1.15.0^{P.C.}, Mr Youl 100 at £1.5.0^{P.C.}, and some at 16/-, 23/-, & 26/- were sold. - Drove "Spouse mine" to Perth to stop the night.

3rd Sunday.

Perth

Rams

4th Rode to Perth to see about the pens for the Rams at the Sale, and gave necessary directions. - Stopped, on the way home, (after crossing at Chaffey's,) to inspect the Rams from Stagger's Point. - Drew out 2, infirm 9, 6 teeth & 4 m. 11, 4 teeth and 7, 2 teeth, in all 27 for sale & 2 culls. Inspected Ram & Ewe Waggets, and was not at all satisfied with their appearance: the wool was neither so long nor so characteristic as I had hoped. - Arranged the lots for the morning 107, 2 teeth and 83 others, i.e. 34, 4 teeth and 49, 6 teeth & 4 m. - Gilham roofed one side of the new cottage. - The Sale tomorrow to be at Brooker's Inn, Perth.

Rams for
Sale

5th Hawksburn (from Fairfield,) Brigstock & Grose started, with the Rams

Pens

Sale

Sale

Sale

Entry of
sheep for
Midland
Hudgson

Hudgson
Rams
Washed

Gross

for Perth, and I drove R.2.K. over to see that the pens were in readiness. Found that he ^{Bishop Key} had procured some very bad hurdles and that the pens would be scarcely strong enough to restrain the sheep. The shepherds arrived with the rams very dusty, and much deteriorated in appearance from that cause; and after much trouble I managed to arrange them pretty well. — There was 1 pen of 7 best 6-teeth V.M. Rams; and 2 pens of 10 each best 4-teeth Rams: the other sheep were divided principally into pens of 10 each. — There was a very small number of buyers, and the auctioneer, "Weedon," commenced business by most injudiciously suffering the pen of 7 best Rams to be put up at 10/- the price finally advanced to 22/- at which they were knocked down, they were well worth £5 apiece. The next lot of 10 best 4-teeth Rams was put up at £1 per head and finally reached £2.5.0 per head; the other lots were sold at miserably low prices and when the auctioneer came to the 2-teeth Rams, I told him publicly not to let them go under £1 per head; the first pen of 12 was then sold at 21/- and the bidding ceased for the day. — Mr Geo: Gatenby, then wishing to buy the 95 remaining 2-teeth Rams, which I accordingly offered to him at £2 for the pick of 50 out of them. — He offered £1 per head for the 95, or 30/- for the pick of 50. — I demurred, and we parted. — Mr J. Archer finally sold them to him at 25/- per head for the 95. — The 190 Rams sent, only averaged about 25/- per head, instead of as we expected about £2 per head. Mr Weedon is a wretched auctioneer, truly! — The second lot of best 4-teeth Rams only fetched 27/- so much for sale by auction. — Wrote a note to Mr Macdonald, requesting him to enter for the Exhibition of the Midland Agric Assoc, — 5 Rams, Class 1, — 5 ewes, Class 2. & 5 Ram Hoggets, Class 3. "Sheep" — also a mare class 6, "Horses". — Hudgson finished draining on the "Plains". —

6th R.2.K. returned home. Rode to the new line offence road, — to Walker's flat to inspect drains &c., — and to the "Plains" for a similar purpose. — Directed Gilman about caps of pilasters, gables, &c of new cottages. — Arranged with Cuspell concerning washwashing. — Set Hudgson to work this afternoon, draining in one mile Bands. — Memo: Mr Paul told me yesterday, that the Ram brought from us was alive. —

At 10 o'clock rode to the Lower Point Shep-yards and sent my mare back. — Gross drove in; drew out most of the remaining lambs, leaving the youngest.

Selected, with a view to exhibiting at the Midland Show, 5 ewes. - Bounted them 499. Drew out 7 strangers. - Rams in; marked some Rams & Ram Hoggets with to exhibiting: - drew out 3 Ram Hoggets as culls. - Drove the lambs to Lower Stony Point & mixed them with the others there. - Wrote to R. L. K. asking him to purchase from Capt. Horton 2 first-rate Rams for my Father. -

8th Sent the letter to R. L. K. by Mrs. Cox's coach. - Rode to Doctor's Bend, to see Harman's work; and arranged, to give him, for the time he was engaged on the draining of the swamps, 10/- per week and his rations; he said he had been 3 weeks. -

Castrated, 42 Rams. and placed them in Barn Paddock. - 84 Rams on Plain & 42 Rams & 4 others for our own use, and Mr. Hemmades 10 4th teeth Rams in Walker's Flat. - Agreed to give Harman for digging, filling bottoms with brush, & covering up drains in Doctor's Bend 1/- per rod. -

9th Went to Launceston: paid Mr. M. A. Cox £6.6.6 for coach & 4/- for Yewlein & Stables for sundries £1.13.6. - Mr. Bartley gave me a requisition for a Meeting on the subject of the remaining convicts in N. S. W. being sent to this Colony. - Returned home at 2¹/₂ past 4 o'clock; & drove "in a sposa" to Perth, for the night.

10th Sunday.

11th Settled with Jo' Saltmarsh for shearing £26.12.0. - Cusfell's ewes in the yard. Drew off all the lambs & put them in One Mile Bend. - Found a few knots of scab among the sheep. - Rode to One Mile Bend to see the drain cut by Hudgeon; & pointed out some other lines of drains to him. - Gave Gilham a plan for a temporary building for the shearers.

12th Rode to Gross's Sheepyards, and selected 5 ewes and 5 Ram Hoggets for the Midland Show. Drove them to the Home yards and arranged for their going in a horse-wagon with White's horses to Moorrell's for the night, and to Campbeltown the next morning; - Brigstock to go with White. - Rode to Fairfield, and afterwards with J. J. to Campbeltown, by way of the Forest road & the main road. - Stopped at Mr. Keny's. -

13th Rode to Quorn Hall to look at the place where I was at school, & remembered well the scenery and buildings which were there standing. Got back and found that the wagon had arrived with the Rams & ewes which were safely standing in their pens. - Had my mare brought into the yard; she looked far from well, not

having been half cleaned, last night. — Showed the Governor
and his A.D.C. Capt Denison the various kinds of stock for exhibition.
The expressed himself as disappointed, at the poor show of cattle
and farming implements. — Mr Cox's ewes took the prize, though
one's were considered, by good judges, as superior; as also were
Capt Horton's. — Mr David Taylor's Ram Haggets were preferred to
one's, after a long debate by the judges of sheep, contrary to the
opinion and expectation of almost everybody. — Our Ewes were
mentioned, in the judges report as "deserving of great merit"; and our
Ram Haggets as very superior. — My Mare also took no prize.
The Members of the M.A.A. met at dinner at 6 o'clock, Mr Kerr made
in the Chair. — The Governor was well received and much cheered.
No speeches worth hearing were made. Sir William wished to
enlarge the Association and offered Government assistance if that
were effected. — There was some squabbling, after the Governor left,
about the propriety of discussing politics at the meetings of
the Association. — Started White & Brigstock off at 4 o'clock. —
14th Rode out for a hunt with Mr Fox Lord's hounds and had a
two or three very sharp bursts, killing the first Kangaroo.
Sir W. Denison, the A.D.C., J.A.P., &c. were of the party. — There were
no accidents, though one or two had falls; — my mare behaved
well, taking everything we came to, commencing with a
3-lag fence: — no post & rail fences. — After a short stay, at
the Hotel started homewards & stopped at Fairfield for the night.
15th Got away at 7 o'clock and reached Woolmers at breakfast time.
Hounds that White had arrived at about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon
without Brigstock, and had turned the Ram Haggets & ewes among
the Stays in the Barn paddock. — Directed, Grase who came to me
about the matter, to put the 5 ewes in the Long paddock and the R.H.
in the Lower Point till we saw whether the scab broke out
among them. — Arranged about the box, platform &c. for the
washwashing, with Sims. — Set to roughcasting the E. & S. fronts
of the Kitchen &c. — Gilham & mates preparing temporary build^g for
the shears. — Walked to One Mile Bend, to see Hudson & Hamed

Woolmers

Prize Sheep

The Dinner

Politics

Hunt

Fairfield

Hounds back

Show sheep separate

Wool washing

Hudgeon
that he had done almost all the draining, (about 250 yards), that I had pointed out to him. - Looked at clover & ryegrass &c. put in this and last season; the grass on the sandy places looking weakly. - Brigstock back. - Gagan from Chestnut. -

Gagan
R. Harris
R. Sharples
H. Harman
Hudgeon
Brooks
Poppleton
Morley
16th. Settled with and discharged, J. Harris, Ploughman & R. Sharples. - Settle setting the boilers for washwashing. - Washhouse being cleaned. - Directed Harman as to close drain at N.E. end of Doctor's Bend, &c. - Hudgeon going to Seavington to shear. - Rode through Doctor's Bend, Scrubby Corner, Wild Oats Padk &c. - Recd advice of books having arrived, from England, from W. Brooks. - There are on the entire property at present 86 men, 15 women, & 9 children, in all 110, including the members of the family. - To commence washwashing on Monday the 18th & sheepwashing on the 27th inst. - The Governor at W. Davies's. -

17th Sunday. -

Hudgeon
Washwashing
Washwashing
Hacks
Shearers
18th. Commenced washwashing. - Told Brigstock to take the 41 Stegs (1 dead) to the clover padk One Mile Bend. - Marked out junction of new road, with hold at the bridge in Horse padk. & gave directions as to the bridge to be erected in new road. - Arranging flocks for Fairfield & Chestnut. - My Father recd a letter from W. E. O. stating that 12 sheares had left him, refusing to shear under 11/ per 100; & that he had kept 12 at 10/. - Saw Hudgeon (who was one of the 11/ men) who told me that 22 shearers had left W. E. O., who had threatened them with "preventing their getting work at Washwaters or Panshanger". - Told him to bring them over at 11 o'clock tomorrow. - Settle roughcasting river front of kitchen. - Gilham & Treates roofing temporary building for shearers. -

Shearers
Leggessy
Sale
Hudgeon
19th. Six of the shearers came to make arrangements for themselves & the others. Agreed to give those we required 11/ per 100; - to be here, ready to commence, on the 1st proximo. - Rode to Gressy with W. J. L. - to see the stock on sale by auction. Cows with calves pitched from 10 to 15 £. 2yr old Hereford Bulls about £20. Yearlings 80 about £15. Hacks £16. Best stock about £17. - Saxon Rams 28/ - Fat Wethers 8/. - The sale was numerously attended, and the Governor was there. - Rode with Mr J. A. Goul to Stagers's Point and showed him our Rams for use this year; and allowed him to select one

(a 2teeth Ram, by a Panshanger Ram) for loan; he giving me in return a choice from his. - Rode in the morning to Doctors Bend and gave

Carry from Drains to Doctors Bend

20th Rode to Kainfield (having previously arranged with two Shearers

to throw up the road from the Home padd^{le} bridge to the fence, and level the ground for 2 1/2 i.e. about 1/3 per rod, - and having directed that another shearer, & the book to the shearers, should be put to work in the garden)

to examine and select from a flock of 2teeth ewes, for two flocks, one at Kainfield & the other at ~~Washington~~ Chestnut. - The sheep were not in the yard till 12 o'clock & we commenced proceedings at 1 o'clock and in 4 hours with 5 shearers drawing I handled about 1200 ewes, selecting 629 of the longest & coarsest for Chestnut, & the finest for Kainfield, throwing out about 50 or 60 culls. - Reached home at a past 6 o'clock. - Harman finished his jobs. - Sent 3 shearers in the morning to Panshanger. - Found by calculation that 6 men in 22 days had thrown up the 292 rods of road, on the new line to Panshanger, including about 300 lin yds of ditching. -

21st Rode round scrubby corners and other paddocks. - Drawing wild flowers. Walked to one Mile Bend. -

22nd Looking at Drill in store with Mr Wheeler the Mechanic. - Agreed that he should repair the Threshing Machine for £19, giving 3 extra pinions to last. - Finished, washwashing in the morning. -

23rd Arranging about shearers, washers &c. - Rode out. - Went to Perth with Mr W.A. to stop the night. - Red box of books from England. -

24th Sunday.

25th Rode to Mr Youll's to select a Ram in exchange for ours. - Found that his Rams were scabby and told him that I would borrow one next year. Looked at his 2teeth ewes and admired them: - thought their lambs by our old Rams would turn out rather coarse woolled and strong in the fibre. - Arranged about a team going into Launceston. -

26th Mr Wheeler here. Sent small screw to him, to have a cup fitted to it complete. - Colled Lupell's ewes. - £35 for the flock, & 241 culls. - in all 576. - The first flock for Washing. came down from Kainfield.

Rams
Grose's
Mares
Washes
Beagles
Moved the 8 Rams from Walker's Flat. Put them in Barn paddock with 87 Rams. — Put Cull'd ewes in Avenue Padk. — Grose recovered his name, which he had lost, most probably by theft. — Arranged the Washes and gave them their clothing. — The wagon from town late, bringing bales of woolpacks, wine, clops &c. and 3 Beagle pups for J. J. Fine. — Returned answer to invitation to the Ball at Govt House, not accepting. —

Cull'd
2 teeth
Grose's
Rams
Sir W. Denison
27th Had in the 2 teeth ewes and cull'd 144, leaving 285 for the 2 teeth flock in Big Padk. Mixed them with Campbell's ewes 335, making in all 620. — Grose's ewes in the yard, cull'd 20 and sent them to Avenue Padk. — drew out the remain^g lambs and moved them to Lower Stony Point. — Grose put all the lots of Rams together in Stagger's Point. — The Governor & Lady Denison arrived. —

28th Rode to Panchang with the Governor & brought him back through the bush over some fence flags. — He rode my brown mare. —

Plan
29th
Pub
Value
29th Very wet. — Sketched a plan for "Public Edueⁿ" and gave it to his Excellency; — who with Lady D. left at 2 o'clock for Launceston. — Directed as to yarding cull'd 2 teeth ewes — and Ewe Haggets &c. Rode.

Culls
2 teeth
Ewe
Haggets
30th
30th Brigstock brought in 2 teeth culls: — made their earmark notch & swallow in left ear and mixed them with Fairfield 2 teeth ewes at the sheepwash. — Grose put 36 Ewe Haggets with his ewes; 29 Ewe lambs (early) into Lower Stony Point and 39 Wether lambs (early) into One-mile-Bend. — Rode round Doctor's Bend, Big Padk &c. —

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1st
Drain
Hudson
3 others
31st Sunday. — Most of the Sheenars arrived. — Rode to Lower Point to look at the draining: I agreed with Hudson & 3 others to give them for a drain varying from 2.6^{ft} ^{in width} deep to 2 wide and 6 deep ⁱⁿ 3 1/2 per rod on account of their being obliged to work it, over their boats in water they began on Saturday morning. — The sheep first-washed not quite dry. — Sent my mare to the Springs, for the Governor to ride on trial, having rec^d a note from Capt. O. on Saturday, requesting me to let Sir W. try her again. —

Rams
2nd
Rode round the Points: found my horses looking well: the rams in Stagger's Point also looking well: — the lambs in Lower Stony Point.

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Rec'd
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Rich Pitt

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Richard
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shearing. — Geo: Gilham married to Mary Chappey. — Commenced shearing
 with 24 hands. — Lyach returned yesterday from Chestnut: W.D. wd not take
 him on. — Taylor from Wood Vale, having debained the bull safely. —
 5th Shearing all day. —
 4th Shearing in the morning: heavy rain during the day. — Brigstock and Taylor
 started with 1008. 2-teeth Ewes for Chestnut: Taylor carrying 1 lb of fine 7 1/2 lb
 of 1 1/2 inch brads & some sandpaper. — Rode round One Mile Bend and inspected
 Harmer's fencing, the drains &c. — Making design for Independent Chapel
 at the Hunting Grounds. — Taylor & Brigstock to leave for Chestnut tomorrow. 1008
 5th Made drawing for a dress, with wire-front upboards above it, for
 the dry ladder. — Rode with Lyach to examine sheep & finding they
 were fit to shear, commenced shearing at 2 o'clock. — Received letter
 from Capt Denison enclosing cheque for £63 for my mare, —
 which the Governor intends running in the carriage with Vivian
 the horse he bought from my Brother last year for £65. —
 6th Arranged about washing sheep on Monday, the river being too high
 today; J.G. ill. — Shearing all day. — Taylor & Brigstock started today
 7th Sunday —
 8th Shearing all day. — Sent per post to Capt Denison a receipt for the sum
 of £63. — and a note to Rich Pitt telling him that my Father wd make
 him a present of 50 pure ewe culls. — W.M. Rostie, at the Sheepshead;
 R. Burton, Branding. — Henry North here. —
 9th Shearing all day. — Washing & Branding as yesterday. —
 10th " " " — Rode to Scrubby Corner before dinner J.G. taking the shearing
 11th Shearing in the morn^g. — Selected 50 of the culls of the pure Ewes for R. Pitt. — Rode
 to Somers Point to collect wild flowers: — pressing some. — Sent away Ellis (Ralph)
 a ringleader of the shearers, for bad shearing &c. — Boys were being blistered. —
 12th Shear^s all day. — J.G. sheepshead^s. W.M. Rostie brand^s. —
 13th " " " — Rode to Longford to enquire of W Arthur if we had
 any redress for bad conduct of shearers, who are engaged at so much
 per 100 sheep: he said "none, unless they absent themselves from their
 work: if they were hired for a term, at so much per diem or per mensem
 they could be tried under the "Hired Servants Act." — Drove W & A G
 to Perth, to stop the night. —

14th Sunday

15th Shearing all day. - Received account of Lambs belong^s to me, marked by Mr Hottle at his run. - Males 73. Females 71. Total 144.

16th " " - Russell's ewes partly shorn. -

17th " " - Helped Grose to take lambs from One Mile Bend, to the Shepwash Heath, & from Shepwash to Lower Stony Point yesterday; & from Doctor's Bend this morn^g.

18th " " -

19th " " -

20th " " - Grose's ewes & part of the Rams. -

21st Sunday. -

22nd Finished shearing and paid off almost all the shearers. - Arranged about going to Chestnut. -

23rd Started for Chestnut in the afternoon and reached Westbury. -

24th Started for Chestnut by the way of the Arms of the creek, and passed across the tiers near Quamby's Bluff; inspecting the ground at the foot of it, and riding towards the Corn Plain creek. - Arrived at about 3 o'clock. - Saw the young bulls, - the young horses, - the 3, and 4 years old Steers, - and the fat Wethers: - all looking well. -

25th Rode to Huntsman's Plain, and found that it would not be worth renting. - Also to our Western boundary, to see if there were any land worth having above Gibson's: - found there was barely 1000 acres of available land. *

26th Weather rather rainy. - 759 young Wethers from Woolmersley Braddick, Harroldshaw and Carney yesterday. - Walked with Mr D. to the Flowering Plain &c. down Smith's creek, and thought 2000 sheep sent there would do great good to the pasture, as well as permit one or two of the Fairfield runs to seed. - Hired, Birstock for a year at £20, and Braddick for a year, at £18, 2 ps. of boots & 1 ps. of trousers. - Rode again to Gibson's boundary and explored the country above it, finding it very low and wet, only fit for cattle, or as a summer run. -

27th Went to the top of Munnins's Head, and was benighted on the way back. - Magnificent prospect from the summit. -

28th Sunday -

29th Rode round the whole of the available ground for renting near Quamby's Bluff, towards Garrett's Sugar Loaf etc. - being out nearly all day. -

30th Sent a man with chain and arrows to the southern point of the ground, but he lost his way, and I was only able to mark out the N. & S. line - this, with finding Field's S. boundary, took all the day. -

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Dec^r 1st Sent two men, and having found the whole of the S. bound^y of Field's, had the N. & S. line measured. Explored the ground adjoining Field's, and under Quamby's Bluff. Collected my "hortus siccus" and made my way to Westbury, having started Porter & Manning with 24 of the working oxen for Woolmers. - Agreed to sell W. Deans 20, 4 years old steers at £5.10.0, - 1, ox. at £8; and 75, 6 teeth wethers at 9/6 after shearing. - The steers to be taken 10th on the 20th Dec^r & 10 on the 14th Jan^y next. - The sheep when shorn. -

2nd Reached Woolmers. - Porter & Manning arrived with the oxen. Explained about the grounds to my Father. - Paid Hudgson &c. for road-making &c. -

Hudgson

3rd Had the Rames in the yard, and sent 122 of them to Fairfield by Mansbourne. Selected the 8 Y Rames and 20 Rames for Grassie's flock, and 4 Y Rames with 80 Rames for Cuspell's flock. -

Rames to Fairfield
Hudgson's flock

Directed the repair^s of woolpreps. -

4th Went into Saunceston to arrange about shipping the wool & the wool to go by the "Elizth Buckham" to be dumped. - Bought at Dowling's "Stamton's Chess player", a packet of letter paper & envelopes, some bonnet board for fixing "hortus siccus" on; - bought at Bebelem & Stubbs, a double reined bridle & Pelham bit with extra spring hooks & curb chain; - bought at Bates's, powder for quizzing draught. - Some blister^s ointment. - also purchased for Chesnut, blister^s ointment & spur & stilet. Myself. -

Saunceston
Bebelem & Stubbs
Bates

5th Sunday. -

6th Gussell's ewes in the yard. Selected the 285, 2 teeth and put 4 1/2 Rams
 with them. also put 8 1/2 Rams with the remain^r 341 ewes of ages, 6
 of them being sheep from one of the Fairfield flocks mixed at shearing
 time:— making a total of 626 ewes & 12 rams. — Rode to Loupford
 and arranged with Mr Hottle that I sh^d meet W Dean at his run
 on Thursday morn^g, — to shew him my sheep:— Mr H. paid me
 £5 being the price of 10 Wethers of mine he sold. — 885 sheep
 (being 628, 2 teeth wethers & 257, 2 teeth ewes) arrived from Fairfield for
 Chestnut. — Wrote letters to Davidson, Douglas, Dean, & Sherkel, as
 well as orders & passes for the men, — (Davidson ab^t sheep & Dean
 mak^e appoint^t for Thursday morn^g. — Douglas ab^t send^g up woolpicks &c. &
 Sherkel about cart horse & cartage of wools. —) Blistered my bay mare.
 7th Rode at 7 o'clock to Lower Point and drew out part of the
 best ewes (Grass being unwell). — Got in my horses & took up Vathek
 the Hadzee Babe 3 yrs old colt. — Went home and settled with several
 men. — Rode back to shepyards and put 3 1/2 Rams to the 148 best
 ewes of Grass's flock; — 5 1/2 Rams to 250 of the others, and 2 1/2 Rams
 to the remain^r 117: mak^e a total of 515 ewes and 10 rams. —
 Rode round Scrubby Corner & chased out Ritchie's cattle. I must
 heavily stock with sheep the river runs, to keep these cattle
 away. — The sheep for Chestnut started at 1/2 past 5 o'clock AM.
 Paid Mr McKestie £15 for the black pony. — The Brooks still here.
 8th Rode Vathek for the first time; very quiet. — Made plans for Men's cottages
 at Chestnut. — Rode to One Mile Bend & got the lambs into Bann Park;
 counted them ready for Fairfield 629:— drew out 6 store sheep & 1
 Bricehead on lamb. — Whiteley the carrier loading wool for Samsceston.
 9th Studied at 2:45 o'clock for Mr Hottle's run in Stringy Bark Forest. — W Dean
 & Mr Hottle joined me. Inspected my sheep there. Walked over
 part of my father's run, and found there was plenty of timber for splitting
 and sawing: the run very scrubby for the most part. — Inspected my
 young sheep at Mr Bird's Farm. Made the following arrangement with
 Mr Dean viz^y to sell him the 6 teeth & 4 teeth Wethers, & dry ewes 4 teeth, at the
 run at 10/- per head; the 4 teeth ewes (with lambs) at 13/6 per head; the 2 teeth
 ewes & Wethers at 10/6 per head; to be taken away on Tuesday next

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Mr Hottle's
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 to
 Dean

and paid for with his father's bill at 3 annos. - Rode Mr MacRostie
pony. - Mr H. Reed at Woolmers closing the arrangements for
individual payments of the Bank debts. -

Mr H. Reed
Yours
Bank
affairs
Oats for
check

10th Rode into the Soyfene Park and moved the young ewes from
there to Big Park. - The Bank debts divided; we shall have to
pay 8000 £ more, having paid with this last wool and last
year's wool all other sums owing, including 2500 £ to D. D. L. and
1500 £ to Mr Reed. - Directed Gilham as to making sack
frames for Chestnut - 50 bags of oats from Chestnut -

11th Rode to the Lower Point. - Vathick slipped from me while
picking a flower from a shrub; walked to Gosias, and with
his mare got him in. - Told Gosie to put some sheep into
Wild Oats Park to drive out Ritchie's cattle, which are preying
upon us in several directions, the river being fordable in
many places. - Bought an open faced watch at £6.10.0 of
Mr Davidson. -

12th Sunday -

13th A little rain after many days of dry hot weather. - Wrote a letter to Mr
Davidson to go by Mr Forrester in the morn^g. - Told him to put 336 lbs of wool
into each bale &c. -

14th W. Forrester left with my Peter Fin mare. - Simpson the watchmaker sold the
watch he offered to me for Mr D. - J. J. returned from Lannceton with Radford's mare.
15th Rode to Scrubby Bonee Hunted Ritchie's cattle revelling on our grass. -
Rec^d note from Mr North, enclosed list of the sheep taken by W. Dean for
damning to 204 ewes & wethers + 31 lambs. their price being £111.4.0.
Thus, 31 ewes with lambs 13/6 - £20.18.6 + 151 ewes & wethers 10/6 - £79.5.6 + 22
ewes & wethers 9/- - £11.0.0 making a total of £111.4.0. -

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the flock of Cuspell's 2 teeth ewes. - Also drove home out of the wheat 6 wethers left there, leaving 3 still. -

14th Rode to Fairfield, to breakfast; thence to 13th mile Plain where sheep and cattle are depastured; - thence to the forest at the back of the Hummocks, looking for plants, - and on, home, from Fairfield. -

15th 52 bags of oats from Chestnut by Douglas's team. - Rec^d note from Wth Hth wrote to Wth Deem offering him the remaining ewes with lambs

at 12/- per head, and the remaining dry sheep, at 9/- per head; also wrote to Wth Davidson telling him to have the wool ready packed, and to Wth Douglas to bring down the wool at once.

Sent O. Jones away, after his being washed, by J. J. J. - Rode to Lower Stony Point to see the lambs which are looking very well.

18th Wrote to Wth Hth saying I had offered the remaining ewes and lambs to Wth Deem. - Sent J. J. J. £27 in addition to £3 lent before. -

19th Sunday.

20th Gave Gilham directions about the sashes &c for Chestnut. - Rode to Perth, to arrange with Wth Stackhouse for the drainage of his cellar. - Amounts of sale of wool reserved. Amount of 51 bales 1/4 per lb. - Botany on the South Esk about Perth.

21st Rode to Lanneston. - Sent Chas^s Belwards & Tho^s Knowles to Chestnut. - Study Botany. - Wrote to Wth Gunn about Flora Antarctica &c: to Wth W. Nenty offer 3 engravings for the Exhibition of the Mechanics Institute; and to Wth Deem about the 145 ewes & 2 lambs, and Wth Dowling about paper for specimens. Rode to the banks of the South Esk, opposite Dunning's Mill, to look for new plants. -

22nd Mr Douglas's team brought the wool 2320 lbs nett, off 574 sheep being about 4th or 4th each fleece: 6-teeth wethers. - Rode to Stagers's Point to see cow. Wrote again to Wth Deem about the 145 sheep. -

23rd Rode with Wth Kth to Stagers's Point & brought to the slaughter yard the 5 cows; all fat. - Packed the remaining wool, 670 lbs of hand-washed besides that, from Chestnut. - Had to open the Chestnut bales, take out & repack the wool, which was not bright, moderately clean and very yolkly: - 9 bales. - 1 cow killed. Rode to Lower Pth.

Ordered by Kth Gunn & Mexican, & Aubiqui's Protector, from Hawley & Co. - Wrote to Capt Connell, tell^g him to buy a Quadrant for Wth Hth & to let him have

3 or 4 £ pocket money in London. - also to buy a present for himself from me value £ 5. - Smart taken up.

store sheep
lamb

24th Had in, the 2 teeth flock from Mile Bend & placed them in Big Paddock 2856 and 4 Rams. - Drew out 17 lambs and put them in Barn Paddock. Had in, the store sheep: drew off 33 old Stags & put them in Clover Paddock, Mile Bend; leaving on Plain 93 young Stags & Wethers. - Had in, five Culls, drew out fat & put on Plain 60 of them: & put the remainder, 156, in Dr's Bend corner: - 44 missing. - Drew out from Store Sheep 12 lambs, into Barn Paddock; - also 1 Wether & 1 ewe with a lamb, belonging to Mr Merson. -

Mr. G. dead

25th Christmas Day. - Heard of the missing ewe culls, in their run. - John Taylor from Chesnut arrived in the middle of the night to say that the Overseer Mr Davidson (poor fellow!) had died at 10 o'clock on Friday morning. -

26th Sunday. -

Mr. Denton

27th Mr Denton & Mr Postie went to Chesnut yesterday. - Sent off to go there. Galt Newton, (promising him £1 for his harvest;) and 6 men newly come here. - Directed Gilham as to work for Mrs's cottages at Chesnut. - Superintended reaping oats in Barley Pound &c. -

Mr. Galt

Received a kind answer from Mr Galt. - Which took in to Lamerston the last of the wool. - Hired Pat^r Reilly for reaping. -

Mr. Galt
uncull

28th Reaping oats. - Mr Cassell brought in 42 of the 44 missing ewes. - Sent them to Dr's Bend corner with the 156, making 198. - Superintended reaping &c. -

lamb

29th Galt's lambs in the yard. Drew out 30 early lambs and sent them to the Upper Doctor's Bend. - Counted the remainder 405 into Lower Stony Point. Superintended watering in the garden. - Inspected the main cistern and found the bottom separated to a great extent from the sides and ends. -

Mr. Galt
cistern

Finished reaping the oats in Barley Pound. Superintended 3^d farm work. -

Mr. Galt
cistern

30th Commenced carting grassseed from Barley Pond and One Mile Bend. - Discharged P. Reilly & paid him 9/- - Yesterday sold the first cask of cider we have sold, to Mr Pitheav at the Springs. price £4.0.0. -

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cistern

31st Galt from Chesnut last night. - Day spiking for account of cartage there. - To send up a wagon & pair of horses with Denton on Monday. Superintended 3^d work. - Bad account of poor Mr D. - that he was given to swearing, and had run at Chesnut, although he gave me to understand that he never took any; and never offered me any, though it was in the house; - but "de mortuis &c." - End of my book & my life.

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