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Chestnut house started Dec. 50

finished Nov^r. 52

(foundation laid: 9th Dec. 50)

Old cottage pulled down : 11th June 52
(Started)

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January 8th Reaping in One Mile Bend. - Mr Stronach arrived, this day at Chestnut. -

9th Sunday.

10th Finished hoeing the best turnips at Lower Farm & put 3 of the men to reap; the other two to help Burton break the grass for seed in the Orchard. -

11th Finished the grass seed. Went to Sarumstead. - Mr Rostie returned from Chestnut. -

12th More men reaping, 17 in number. - Williams mowing the oats at 5/- per acre. - Arranged that Harvey sh^d join him, allowing 2 acres each day to his master, & the rest to be between him & Williams. - Ordered Allenby to serve the reapers with meat at the rate of 14 lbs per hebelow. i.e. 2 lbs per diem. - Allowed the men who bring drake home 2 bottles of cider extra, each man. - Mr Rostie says that Dean will take the 12 steers at £6.10.0 per head, at Chestnut. Taylor the groom here has dislocated his shoulder by a fall from Traveller's filly "Miss Leichardt". - Sent 33 lambs to Keinfeld by Wansbourne Jagg has bought "Dash" from Mr Penny, to whom Wansbourne sold him: price £2

13th Nothing particular occurred today. -

14th Rode round the One Mile Bend. Settled with Carr & Beagham and sent them away. -

15th Rode round the One Mile Bend looking at the wheat &c. also the turnip padd^k at the Lower Farm & the Barley Gr^d. The feed on the Plain very short and dry. - Letter from Dean & Maxime about stock at Chestnut; also from Hall: Dean J takes the 12 picked 4yr old steers at £6.10.0. -

16th Sunday.

17th Considered plan of Bath room &c. Newton returned from Chestnut with my pony. - Letter from Stronach enclosing Dean J's order on his father for £85 being £78 for the 12 steers & £7 for the ox. - White & another butcher called & I promised to write to them abt the stock at Chestnut after I had been there. -

18th, 19th, 20th Nothing particular occurred on these days. -

21st Cusell's flock of geese in the yard. 1 missing, (sent to Keinfeld with the lambs on the 12th.) Sold Grose to move the ewe culls to One Mile Bend from Doctor's Bend; and the Tup lambs from Stagger's Point to Top Padd^k. -

22nd Nothing. Yesterday rehired Blackaby at £12 & £2 for his harvest. -

23rd Sunday

24th Started for Chestnut & stopped the night at Westbury. Hired Bamford, a groom. -

25th Reached Chestnut. Walked round the Oats Padd^k &c. Inspected the 52 3yr old steers and told Mr Stronach, after he had selected 16 of the best as workers for ourselves, to divide the remainder into two lots the best and second rate; thus making 3 lots of them. - Looked at the cows which are improving in condition; and the large oxen, telling

ms. to put the oldest on the rape. - There is claver springing in the
paddock on which the water backs, and that at the upper end of Mountain
Plain: so that I directed that they should not be ploughed up. -
The Paddock from which the rushes were cut looks well. - Taylor had
broken in Marmion & Miss Seichardt to ride quietly. Rumbler was
looking well. - The young horses generally were in good condition.
Rode to the West End to see Hawksshaw's hut, and the state of his run
which looked very bare: his flock much dispersed but looking well. -
The hut in a bad position, but out of the wet: I told him to go over to
the N. side of the Western Creek and examine the land; and if possible
to feed his sheep there. - Richard Bamford, hired to break in the
2 y^o old colts at 30/- per head, arrived: also Jos^h Barrett the carpenter
from Woolmers to work at the men's cottage. -

26th marked out part of the trenches of men's cottage for the bricklayer: -
Rode to the N. side of Emma Plain Creek abt 1 1/2 mile from the Meander
on the E. side, and, leaving the horses there with Porter, walked
with Stouart to the top of the hill overlooking Emma Plain &
facing towards Quambry's Bluff, Day's Bluff, & Western Bluff: of the
two last named, the last shewed considerably to the left of the other,
as it also does to a less degree from Woolmers. There was a great deal
of rich grass of several kinds at Emma Plain, and, if more accessible, it
would be worth draining & venting. - After 8 1/2 hours riding & walking we
reached Chestnut. - Marked out the whole of the trenches of men's
cottage, and gave the bricklayer a memo: of the position of the middle
walls. - Measured the work done by John Borthwick & Snell in rush
cutting. - Inspected the fat wethers which are doing very well. - Found
that a dog had been among the ewes of Brigstock's flock, had killed
2 or 3 and wounded several: I directed that the direction whence he
came should be discovered and traps made to catch him and
any that might join him: It is reported that there is also a bitch with
jugs wild. - Sent Taylor with my pony to Westbury. -

27th Rode Marmion to Flowering Plain which wants draining much: -
both it and the N. end of Mountain Plain might be advantageously pared
bunt & laid down: as also some other parts of the land, as for instance
the Black Bog. Inspected the ground which had been scarified
with the heavy harrows: & found the effect insufficient & the labour
thrown away. - Arranged with J. Borthwick to cut down the rushes
in the Rough Paddock for 12/6 per acre: and with Snell that he should
saw with axes, the latter allowing us 400 feet per week to be
paid for all above that quantity at the rate of 5/- per 100 feet. -

- Inspected Brigstock's flock which are fat; and Manning's flock which are in improved order & clean. — All the stock on the Estate, store cattle & sheep, breeding cattle & sheep and horses are doing well. Two more of the 3yr old Rambles are in hand. — Started Forrester off for Woolmers. — Proceed to Westbury (calling at Deloraine & asking Shuckel to let W.S. have £5) whence I sent back Taylor with the mare Trade from Chestnut, & continued my journey to Woolmers on the "Pigeon" in soaking rain & a strong wind.
- 28th Rode round the turnips, grasses runs, &c. pointed out to Grose that he had some of the young Rames among the ewes in Lower Point & directed him to take them out in the morning. — The grass is shooting everywhere since the rain. — Forrester arrived. — Yesterday I obtained from Dean & his draft on his Father for the price of 20 steers at £5.10.0 per cwt & £1 in addition for the ox before taken. — I also offered him the fat Wethers, numbering out 38, at 9/6 to be taken away, half in a fortnight & the run in a month. —
- 29th Made a sketch for Gilheum of the plan of two water closets for the house. — Settled with W. Gardner & discharged him. —
- 30th Sunday
- 31st Mr Douglas's team arrived, with 50 sacks of oats. —
- Feb 1st Mr Douglas's team took 10 sacks of flour 10 sacks of bran and the doors window frames & sashes for the men's cottages at Chestnut. — Rode to Lanneston. Sent to Chestnut (by O'Donnell's coach to Deloraine) some tools for the carpenter. — 2 adzes, oilstone, 1 hand saw, — 2 chalk lines, — 1 shingle hammer, 1 bevel square, from Corbetts. —
- 2nd Rode round the Paddocks towards the Point. — Arranged to move the woodheap behind the brick hedge by the Woolhouse, and to clear the sheds at the back of garden wall to receive the wood for the house kitchen &c. when cut. —
- 3rd Grose lives in the yards (1 missing). — Took away the Rames 10 in number and mixed the best ewes with those in Lower Point making a flock of 397. leaving a lot of 114 (to which the 2 Panshanger Rames had been put) in Long Pad^{le}. — The two together numbering ⁵¹⁴ instead of 515. — Took away the 12 Rames from Galsell's ewes; — and mixed the lot of 284 (to which the 4 Monavale Rames had been put) with those in Parners Inside making a flock of ⁶²² (3 missing & sent to Fairfield with the 32 lambs). — Drew out 14 strangers 9 WM, & 5 CA. —
- 4th Planning with my Father about new woolpicks, &c. — Spoke to Mr Nathan about proposed additional public house at Deloraine which he said he should oppose. — Told him to send for me;

sheep and sent to W Mason a note to the same effect. —

5th Planning alterations in former arrangements for Bathroom
W.C. in old part of house, with my Father: — also about cistern
stopcocks, fountain &c. — Hired a man named Price
a Plumber, plain Painter, & glazier, also able to garden, reap & mow
&c. for 3 months at the rate of £16 per annum; allowing him with
the ordinary ration of meat & flour 2 lbs of sugar & ¼ lb of tea weekly. —
The two wagons, which were started yesterday morning to
Woodside for stone broke down today; two drays were
then borrowed at Panshanger, one of which broke down also;
doubtless from overloading. —

6th Sunday. —

7th Denny the Plumber from Lameston came. Inspected main cistern
with him: arranged abt getting up the lead &c. — Rode to Westbury on my
way to Chestnut. —

8th Arrived at Chestnut. Directed about the doors &c. of men's new cottage
Bamford with 4 young Rambles in hand: the grey colt's eye very little better.
The 3 yrd old filly out of Traveller (Miss Leichardt) came in pasture of near fore leg. —
Sold to Dean for 4 25 6 teeth Wethers at 9/3, and 20 3 yrd old sturs at £5 — half of each
lot to be taken away within a fortnight, & the remainder within a month. —

9th, 10th, & 11th In the bush. — Arranged for Allen to come to Wookmans. —

12th Returned to Wookmans: Dean refused the young ewes & Wethers at 7/6. —

13th Sunday. —

14th Nothing particular occurred. —

15th Denny the Plumber, (who finished the main cistern while I was at Chestnut) came today and commenced putting down the pipe in the yard, fixing the
cocks &c. — Gilheims (who had altered the position of the back stairs while
I was at Chestnut) attending to lining the W.C. provided for passage of the pipe
to the bath &c. — Mr McKristie started for Lameston on his way to
Port Philip. — Worked out additional room for Burton at the yard
cottage. —

16th Mr McKristie started on his way to Port Philip. — Young Rams
mixed with store sheep & young ewes. —

17th Cut up 15 Scotch Thistles in lower Stony Pt and discovered many
young plants of the same. Drew out the young Rams from the
other sheep. — Rode to Stagger's Point &c. — Grose complains of
Mr C. Arthur leaving the gates of the runs open: — also of his
sheep (one of which was scabby) constantly coming over the
river. — Took the horse up that was hurt in being handled
and found his neck & head in a very bad state, from the pain of
which ~~the~~ horse had become very thin & can scarcely eat. —

- 18th Preparing for burning off the silver grass &c. on Lower Stony Pt. - Cut up the grass forming a path a yard wide on the side of the brush fence in Gyases corner, and along the banked fence: - ploughed 2 sets of furrows on the S. & E. sides of Lower Stony Pt. Putting down a fence with posts mortised and crossed with a piece of frail, below the ground: - 8 steers sold a day or two since ^{on the 16th} at Hairfields by J. W. at £5 ahead. -
- 19th Two men sent by R. & M. from Rops, who arrived yesterday were discharged this morning, being by their own account useless. - Culled ewes & stags in the yard: those for W. R. Pitt, 50 drawn out; - the remainder 181 including 30 stags, sent to the turnips, at the Lower Farm Padk. - Burton away 2 days.
- 20th Sunday. -
- 21st Started W. R. Pitt's shepherd with 50 pure ewes, given to him by my father. - Burton returned. - Denny at work about W. C. in the old part of house. - Gilham at stairs &c. - Seth Paving. - There was a very heavy storm of hail & rain yesterday afternoon, which broke most of the glass in the skylights & frames upon the premises. - Rode to look at the pond opposite W. C. Arthur's, for the purpose of arranging about destroying or blocking it up: - I determined to cut down the banks where the stock cross over. - Rain in the morning. -
- 22nd Gave orders for new posts & gate at the end of log fence on the road to Panshanger. - Rode round the Big Padk &c. - Yesterday I had a land ploughed round the stacks in the Big Padk to prevent fire from reaching them. - Denny at the same work. - Sawlhouse cleaned out. -
- 23rd Gave out glass to Burton for repairing frames of hotbeds, 16 squares 8x10 besides a quantity of pieces. - Rode to Longford to see Wheeler the Mechanist about the threshing machine, which is to be ready on Monday afternoon next. - Rec'd a letter from Shackel enclosing his Bill: - it should be signed by W. Strouse.
- 24th Denny at the same work. - Rode round the Point Padk. -
- 25th Gave out 53 panes of glass, for Price to repair the Cottage skylights with. - Rode round to see all the work, as usual twice. -
- 26th Rode through the Hairfields Padk to the top of the Hummocks: and found the grass very short everywhere, excepting in the Reserve Padk where the Kangaroo grass had grown up very much. - Denny at the same work.
- 27th Sunday
- 28th Rode round the One Mile Bend, & Padks in which the men are at work. - Sims setting right the small yard at the shed in the Stackyard, putting up some paling &c. -
- 29th Found that on Sunday the store sheep on the turnips had mixed with the small flock of Gyase's ewes, and Gyase had drawn them out again. - Sent Denton & White with 3 horses to bring back the

threshing-machine: it was not ready till late, and the tire came off on the way home; thereby occasioning the horse-pair to be left on the road near the white-gate, to be sent for in the morning. — Denton brought the drum. — I found a bullock-chain in the Doctor's Bend today. —

March 30th Mr Wheeler came today and worked at the threshing machine. —

2nd The threshing machine was ready at 10 o'clock: but as the weather threatened to be wet I did not commence. It poured with rain in the middle of the day. —

3rd & 4th Nothing particular occurred. — Men at usual work. —

5th Sunday.

6th Mr M Procter returned yesterday morning. I went into Llaneston and sold the mixed lot of 885 sheep to W. M. Dean at 7/- to be taken away in 2 weeks. —

7th Rode to Cheshunt. — Inspected Brinkley's work, at Men's new cottages, and Carpenter's work. — Also the rush cutting and the cows, young horses Oxen &c. — On the way, paid R. Syall's Bill £10.12.3 and John Thomas's Bill £1.11.0. —

8th, 9th, & 10th Exploring the country about the Mersey, Mr Reed's land, Mr Balden's &c. —

11th Basked at the 6 teeth Wethers sold to Dean, which seemed in excellent order. — Inspected the 3 yrs old colts & fillies, which Beaumont has in hand. — The grey colt, whose eye was hurt, is getting his sight again. — the black filly Lady Hester, whose tail was hurt above the setting on, is losing the bump; the bay filly, whose hocks were capped, I ordered to be blistered on them. — the black filly whose head was hurt has recovered. — Mr Stronach & Beaumont, do not seem to go on well together. — I started at a little after 11 o'clock and stopped at Dolonain, wet through, to pay Mr Shackil £10.5.0. — Reached home at 8 o'clock. — Rain in the forenoon.

12th Sunday. —

13th It rained the greater part of yesterday, and in the forenoon of today. — gave my Father on Saturday young Dean's draft on his Father for the price of 300 Wethers from Cheshunt at 9/3 = £138.15.0. — Moved store sheep to Stacky Pad.

14th Rainy weather. — Hawkshaw & Rigby arrived from Cheshunt: the former rehired, for 12 wags at £20 per ann. There has been a flood since I left Cheshunt as high as Field's hut. — Horner settled with & discharged. —

15th Received a note from Mr Hottle stating that the bushrangers were at Cheshunt yesterday, that taken away provisions & 2 horses. — Parties of constables were sent after them by Mr Jones, Westbury. — Sent a team to Longford to bring from Mr Reid's, 4 tons of sugar & some iron. —

16th Raining. - Store sheep in the yard, 178. - Drew out 20 ewes for slaughter which were put on the Plain, where there is 1 wether remaining & lamb. - Fresh account from Mr St. that the bushrangers were hemmed in between the river (Meander?) & a creek, and the parties expected to come up with them last night. -

18th Received a letter from Mr Stronach, giving an account of the visit of the bushrangers, 4 in number, to Cheshunt: they tied all the men in the stable and took away 100 lbs of flour, 14 lbs of sugar, 4 lbs of tea; 4 pair trousers & 4 waistcoats, 2 glazed hats; also 2 cheeses, 15 lbs of Butter & a Tomahawk, (belong^s to me). - My father spoke to Saml Symons this evening, ~~and~~ ~~spoke to him~~ about taking the situation of storekeeper; telling him that he should have what he asked while he awaited his decision viz. at the rate of £18 per annum. - I strongly advised the employment of S. Symons as storekeeper. -

19th Sunday. -

20th R. & K. sent for the Kitchen Range and Smoke Jack, which I gave from the store. - The bushrangers reported to be in a cave, from which they had fired on the constables. - Rode with Mr W. Christie round the paddocks. -

22nd Made up a list of the cattle on the Washleys part of the estate, - also a list of the horses. -

23rd Rode to Cheshunt. - Found that Richd. Banfield, the horse-breaker, had left Cheshunt, without permission. - There was no truth in the report of the bushrangers being in a cave; they have not been heard of since they were at Cheshunt. - Inspected the new building, and the alterations in the cottage. -

24th Rode to look at the hill of freestone above the Tent Padth and found there would be much difficulty in carting the stone away. - Mr George Gibson came to look at a 2 yr old filly, which I offered to him at £20. He thought her looks shewed a disposition to throw out Kicks, and said, he wd wait a little, and if he thought better of the matter would give the price. - Hear^d from Mr Stronach, that Dean would not give more than either £8 or £9 per head for the 4 oxen I sold them to Mr Gibson at £10.10.0 per head. - The horses looked well, and the store cows. - I saw Hankshaw's sheep which looked in fair order, better than I expected. - Arranged with Stronach to plough up for oats the Mountain Padth and part of the 26 acres at the side of Mountain Plain, of which 10 acres are to be sown with grass for seed. - Arranged about Braddick's marriage, and repair of his hut. - There are 9 ploughhorses at Cheshunt viz. 10th gelding,

1 pr of Mares without foals, 2½ pr of do, with foals. — Made arrangements for Chaff and his family; — also for Symons & wife. —

25th Started for Woolmers; saw Dean J^r at Westbury, who told me that he had offered Mr Strouach £40 for the 4 oxen, rather than lose them £42 (a manifest lie); he made much ado about it, and I gave him a note to Mr G. Gibson on the subject. —

26th Sunday. —

27th Went to Lammerton & ordered sundry articles at Corbett's, Campbell, Robertson's and Brooks for Cheshunt; — to be sent by Douglas teams.

29th Dupell's Ewes in the yard; perfectly clean; 622 in number, — 3 missing.

30th Douglas's wagon arrived last night with oats. Sent up by it 12 bags of flour & other articles. — Directed Seth about altering chimney of Women's room, — and Russell about Cider Mill. —

apl 4th Started H. Symons & wife with Denton also and 3 horses in a wagon carrying a load of boxes contain^g clothing &c. & sundry packages, for Cheshunt. —

6th Started for Cheshunt, hav^g given J^r an account of the sheep & at Woolmers last night. — Learned, on the way that Hughes, Braddick's hut keeper, was dead & buried; and that he died from inflammation of the bowels. — Remained at Mrs Home's for the night. —

CHESHUNT.

7th Arrived at Cheshunt. — Started Rich Taylor to Woolmers. —

8th Sent to Mr G. Gibson to return some tea borrowed from him. —

Shedded the 25 Rams, which I had selected for use here, and which arrived yesterday from Woolmers. —

9th Sunday. —

10th Brigstock's Ewes in the yard; 991 & 1 w. store sheep. I put the 25 Rams to them. — Rode to the Back Marsh and examined the drain & Western Creek with Mr Strouach, Parker's Side-line &c. — Found the marsh on the Western side of Irig^g Chem^l in a very wet state and quite unprofitable. — Sold the injured stockhorse to Jas^h Barrett, Shaemakers, Deloraine, for £3.15.0, deduct^g it from his amount & paying him the balance £1.3.0. — Sold to him one cow hides⁵; 1 calf skin, & 1 horsehide^{3/4}; the money to be paid into the U.B. & the hides deliv^d to him at Deloraine on production of the Bank receipt. — Gave Tho^s Braddick a cheque for £3 on a/c. —

11th Rode to West End, with Mr Strouach, to look at the sheepyard &c. — It is not very well planned; but will do also for a cattle yard. — The sheep on the run look very well, & have improved the ground exceedingly. —

12th Carr & Beagham this day finished the cleaning of the 140

Mr G. Gibson's Rams from Woolmers

Brigstock's Ewes

Parker's Side-line

Barrett's Shaemakers Hides

Cheque to Braddick

West End

Carr & Beagham

Mr Stronach delivered to me the Keys, books &c. in his charge. and 1/2 in money. - Purchased 200 bushels of lime at 6 1/2 per bush. deliv. -

13th Mr Stronach left this morning. - though not a bad sort of man, he is well off the estate. - I set Carr & Beagham to scour &c. the drain at the bottom of Bull Pad^k & The Flat, for 6 per rod. -

14th Sent Porter & Chaffey to Mr Wigan's about seed-oats to Mr Lubitts with a cheque for £4.4.0 for his entire horse's services last Nov^r. twelve months, (1846). - Sent also to Mr Shackel a cheque for £10.8.0 being repayment of cash to men for orders. - Walking over O'Connell's Marsh, I saw that a fire which had passed across it had burnt, wherever there had been a rusty stump from 1 foot to 2 feet into the soil, leaving a mass of rich ashes, but making the ground unfit for cultivation, and even dangerous. - Mr Wigan's seed-oats are 3/- at the barn & 3/3 delivered. -

15th Commenced my first "Issue of Rations" from the Chestnut Store. - Mr McCormack came yesterday, and I arranged (as no other terms could be made) that he should have £4 per diem for the use of his threshing-machine, oxen, feeder & driver, which were to be here on the 18th inst. - Two men named J^r. Hall^{v.2.} and J^r. Smith^{v.2.} came seeking for work to which I promised a job on the 17th inst. - Deliv^d to Mr Dean 600 2, teeth ~~to Mr Dean~~ ^{to Mr Dean}

16th Sunday - { 10th continued } - Drove from Hawkshaw 2 sheep for the above; from Manning 1 to ~~Hawkshaw~~ ^{Hawkshaw}

17th I find that Carr & Beagham though up to the calves of their legs in soft mud & water and having many tussocks to cut, are scouring from 16 to 17 rods per diem of the ditch. - Set the 2 new jobbers to work at a drain on the W. side of Rape Pad^k. to scour it & trim the banks. - Hired at £14 per annum a man named Wm Black (free) who can milk, thresh, reap & drive bullocks. - Sorted the fat cows thus, - namely, the 9 poorest (1, 4 y^r old, 3, 3 y^r old, & 5, 2 y^r old) in Bee Pad^k. - 10 for Mr Dean in The Flat, 2 for breeding on Mountain Plain, and 14 for Rations &c. 6 in White Gate Pad^k. & 8 in Double Gate Pad^k. - making 35 in all. - Mr G. Gibson came to give me the Bank receipt for £42, the price of the 4 large oxen & to say that he would send for them tomorrow. - Mr Douglas's teams arrived bringing my boxes of books &c. flour, Sugar, soap & new tobacco. - Gave the men 1 bushel of oats for their horses. -

18th Started Mr Douglas's teams with 29 hides for Jelovaine to be left at Shackel & 2 skins. - 2 tarpaulins for washers & 1 box & 1 skivvy for Mr Stronach. - Finding that the 2 men

Apr
Barn
13th
left

Cubitt
£4.4.0
Shackel

Oats -
Mr Wigan

McCormack

Hall
Smith

Mr Dean
600 w.

Carr & B
ditching

Wm Clark
Bull
Hawkshaw

Hat
Cows

Mr G. Gibson
4 oxen
£42

Mr Douglas
teams

Hides
&c.

H. Hall & J. Smith would make nothing of their jobs I took them
 from it I sent them ^{together with a man named M^r Keynagle} to look at some ground on which a
 strong brush fence is to be put up; they agreed to erect it for
 10 per rod, we drawing the stuff. — Rode along the line, 1 1/2
 mile or so long, where the fence had been burnt; arranged that
 2 of our men Ayres & Dunbar should commence at the E. end
 where bullocks could not work, that Knowles & B. Carberry
 should repair the post-rail fence & that C. Edwards should
 draw the stuff. Another man named Kennagh ^{had} joined
 the 2 new jobbers: he had been sent on here by M^r Cormack to
 say that the threshing machine wd not be here for a
 week: Delivered to W. W. Dean 10 cows at £5.5.0 & 1 ox
 at £7. — to pay £5.10.0 for the cows sh^d they average 600 lbsst
 Manning brought Braddick's sheep up to the Yelart, all having
 been got in. — A load of lime brought at dusk from J. Hoston
 Measured the lines, — 90 bushels. — Looked at some of Hawkshaw's sheep
 on Mountain Plain and directed him to get those wanting in, tomorrow
 morning: — Set on a man named Chas^r Forester ^{J.S.} at the ditch on the E. side
 of Bull Padk: — Carr & Beaghan finished the N. ditch of Bull Padk today. —
 Wrote letters for Woolmers &c. — Snell & Madkinson (his mate) went to the saw pit.
 Started John Taylor, on Marnion, for Woolmers, to bring back my
 pony, bay filly & yearling colt; — and W. Porter to Westbury to bring back
 6 heifers which had been impounded by W. W. Dean on Seith's farm,
 which he rents. — A horse-breaker, named Davies was here on Monday
 last looking at the young horses; and, offered, to finish the 3 yrs olds
 and break in the 2 yrs olds for 30% per caput. — he is a competent person.
 Braddick & Bristock, commenced dressing Braddick's wethers and finished
 868, which were taken back to their runs, — and 83 most diseased, which
 were put into the Bull Padk. — there were also 1 of Mannings, 1 of Hawkshaw's &
 1 of M^r Parker's; — the total number dressed being 954. — I went to see Hawkshaw's
 sheep from Mountain Plain & counted 1073, drew out 1 of Braddick's & 2 of
 Mannings, mixed with those in Rape Padk. — Porter came back with 5 heifers.
 21st. Good Friday. — No work today. — Dressed the remainder of Braddick's
 sheep, 408, which were taken to the runs and 23 most diseased, put into
 Bull Padk. — Drew from Braddick's 2 of Mannings's & 1 of M^r Parker's. — Total
 number of Braddick's sheep counted 1385: — (10 dead & killed, 2 at Parker's, 1 at
 Bromwich's, — 1 with Hawkshaw's, giddy, —) — Remainder of Mannings's sheep 48,
 I added to them 3 of Hawkshaw's & 1 store wether, making 52 the number
 required to make up W. Dean's 880, also 3 store wethers to W. Dean.
 Braddick took them away to deliver to W. D.'s shepherd at Deloan.

Hall
 Braddick
 Hills
 Braddick
 Am am man
 Post rails
 region
 M^r Cormack
 W. W. Dean
 10 cows
 Braddick
 Seith
 Hawkshaw's
 9th
 G. Forester
 Carr & B.
 Snell & M.
 Marnion
 20th
 4 my horses
 6 heifers impounded
 Davies horse breaker
 Dress Braddick's
 sheep
 Hawkshaw's
 sheep
 5 heifers
 Porter
 Braddick's
 sheep
 Mannings's
 sheep
 W. Dean's
 880 sheep

Apr 21st Braadick was to put W Parkie's 2 shup in his yard and let
W Parkie's 2 shup W P's bousers know about them — counted the store sheep 57.
Store sheep (3 killed since Apr 1st, — 1 with Brigtoke's ewes, — 4 to W Dean today, — making
Williamson 65 on the 1st Apr.) — John Williamson the Bkleyer who had permission
 to go to Deloraine got drunk and was put in the watchhouse, to
 be forwarded to Werburgh. — Beaghen was with him, very disorderly.
 Rec letter yesterday from W Jones A.P.M. requesting informⁿ about
 Bushrangers, on Tuesday next.

Apr 22nd Rode to look at the fences on Field's four sideline (s. fence of Baillie's) and up the Eastⁿ bank of the Meander inspect^s the state of the
Hawkshaw river, which requires cleaning out of drift timber &c. — counted 499 of Hawkshaw's sheep & put them in Mountain Padⁿ till Monday.
J Taylor from Woolmers J. Taylor returned from Woolmers, leaving Marnion there & bringing my 3 horses. — My Father writes to say that I can do what I please with the horses here, as to selling them &c. keep such as will suit for our own use. — Rec note from W Humphreys D.C. about Williamson & Beaghen. — Rec 90 bushels of lime from J. Horton.

23 Sunday.

24th Wrote to Mr. Wigan by John Taylor to say that I wd take two loads of his oats at $\frac{3}{5}$ delivered here: to pay him by an acceptance of my Father's at 3 mos payable at the U.B. — Mr Wigan Sen^r wrote to say that his son agreed to my offer. — Your constables here on a row com^m.

25th Blackaby, Fleming, Porter & Barrett went to muster at Deloraine. — Rode with John Taylor to look at the mares: and thought it best to keep Priestess¹⁵, Venus²⁴, Violet¹⁴, & Traveller²⁴, and sell all the others excepting such as wd be required for ploughs: — I wrote to my Father advising this; — to keep in all 5 plough teams i.e. 2 to spare: & such of the young horses as were or were likely to be required for our own use.

Wrote to Mr Douglas asking him to procure sundry articles from Lancaster for me: — to John Davies, horse breaker, hiring to him to break in the 2 yr olds & finish the 3 yr olds at 30p per head & to have nations for his man: — to Wm Reid about wine: to Mr North ab^t pay^s in £50 as he had sold sheep to Dean: — to Dean to send an order for the price of the 10 cows & the old ox to Woolmers. The letters to go by Manning in the morning: — Another load of lime 90 bushels from J. Horton.

26th Paid Horton's cart on his of £7.6.3 for 270 bushels of lime at 6¹/₂. Sent Porter to Field's stockyds, the Fields are drawing off fat heifers & calves. Porter brought home 1 3 yr old steer, 3 3 yr old heifers, and

Apr 21st
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Cattle from
Habit's land,
W. Field's
abandoned
Rented land

yearling calves, besides 3, 3 years old Steers & 1, 2 yrs old heifer from O'Hare's Man
I saw W. Field and asked, if he could average with me about fence
the bound^d line between their land and ours on the E. side of the Meander.
He seemed to think that he & his brothers had all the quad land on that
side; but he is much mistaken: they have 3587 acres, bought & lease
we have 2100 above them, including the best sheep ground, & winter
cattle ground. - Went to look at the jobbers putting up the brush fence;
they have finished 50 rods, (7 days work). -

Brush fence
John's
Rode over
land

27th Rode with Porter over our leased land on the E. bank of the Meander,
found Field's first & second bound^d lines, & ascertained that no more
ground could be taken in that neighbourhood. - Inspected the river, &
projected a thorough survey of it. - Planned sheep yds in connection
with stock yds on the premises. - John Frost the Blacksmith arrived late.

River
Sheep yds
Saw pit

28th Rode to the Saw pit at the back of Tinker's bog: there is abundance of
timber, & a good road to it, excepting over the low ground in winter. -
Came back by Davis's Path & the turnips which must be eaten off. -

Hall's
Hawkshaw
Wild dog

Rode to look at the fences at Field's N. bound^d: - Directed Hall & Co to
put up a log panel every 50 rods, to throw down in case of fire. -
Counted Hawkshaw's sheep for the West End 499; and those for
Mountain Plain 1074. - 10 sheep missing. - Bristock brought
his ewes into the flat hav^s found 2 killed by a dog (I suppose the
same that killed the Mares) and 1 wounded. -

Ewes in
bad order

29th Rode round the back of Log fence Path towards Sugarloaf to look for
traces of the Wild dog, but found none. - Discarded another dead
sheep, of Bristock's flock, near Log fence (making 3 dead). - I find th.
the fences on this estate are in very bad order for sheep; and must
be renewed in many places. - Bristock found another dead ewe. -

May
Memo. W.
The wife's
Saw pit
from Bromwich's
Sheep killed
dog

30th Sunday
1st. Chaffey repair^d an old drag & putting a new pole to bullock drag. - Porter found
16 sheep, Hawkshaw's & Manning's, - 2 miles up Cummins's Head; & put them
into Mountain Plain. - The Saddler from Bromwich's came to
return 2 pitchforks & a scythe, and took away some harness to repair.
Bristock found another ewe that had been killed by the wild dog
(making 5 dead). - The dog, with several others, has been to Bromwich's
& I find that all the sluice-gates are out of repair. -

Sluice-gates
2nd Sub
Potatoes
Sluice-gate
Seith's

2nd Sub of Simms to Melmoreau's for a ton of potatoes for myself. - The triple
sluice gate in Seith's creek is fixed on a mud bed 5 feet deep: I shall
be obliged to puddle & pile, pile & puddle triple, to keep the water from
working underneath. - Davies's (the horse breaker) assistant came
here on Sunday morn^g, but Davies has not yet arrived. -

May 3rd Out the greater part of today with the men repairing sluice gate. —
 sluice gate
 Carr & Beagham have nearly reached the bank & double ditch, in the flat. —
 Carr & B
 They got to the 2nd N.S. drain on the 28th Apr^l: — from there the work
 Rotten chips
 has been principally paring, & throwing up the banks. — Forster has
 picked up many score cart loads of rotten chips at the wood heap. —
 Porter has seen 2 ^(already counted) more sheep ^{W.S.P.} between the 2 creeks above Dale Gate P.K. —
 Brizstock & Braddick dressing Braddick's 106 hospital sheep. — I saved
 a ewe of Brizstock's, that was cast in a furrow on the flat. —
 4th Frost came this morning. — Also John Davies the horsebreaker. — Rode
 on the ground at Knight's corner and the tiers on this side of it: an
 excellent farm might be laid out there: — there is a noble site
 for a farm at the Back Marsh also. — Finished dressing Braddick's sheep
 and put them on the turnips. — McMahon yesterday & today altered 3
 fireplaces in the house. —

5th A damp drizzling day. — Proamed from Wbornick, Deloraine, & lbs of Tobacco
 for the men. — McMahon altered chamber fireplace, & began small oven
 for Chaffey. —

6th Rode to the Kalls to see Braddick's sheep, which he was drawing out to
 dress; and directed him to draw those with appearance of scab out, and
 take them to Cheshunt Wednesday (tomorrow) night. —

7th — Brizstock, Braddick, & Hawkshaw, assisted by Blackaby began
 dressing Braddick's sheep. —

8th Dressing Braddick's sheep.
 9th Ditto. — Ditto. —
 10th Ditto — Ditto. — Rode to Deloraine about registering dogs. —
 11th Sunday. —

12th Borthwick's man, W. Herracher, left. — Mr. Hoyle's who I saw at
 Deloraine on Saturday told me that McCormack (from whom I
 obtained the potatoes) and his two sons were concerned in the
 taking away of some of their cattle, and that he had taken
 out a warrant against them. — They are all in goal. —

13th Rode to see Hoyle's people collecting their cows & calves. — they had
 nine horsemen including Mr. Hoyle. — Only saw one heifer of
 mine. — Brizstock &c. finished dressing today: ~~528~~ ⁵²¹ of Braddick's
 sheep, ~~521~~ ⁵²¹ of which are thoroughly dressed. — Braddick has
 had, so he says, 4 sheep killed by the dogs. — I sent a list of all
 the dogs here to Mr. Jones A.M. for register today. — Ills 2, — Wks 2, —
 Brizstock 3, — Porter 2, — (2 licensed), — Braddick 1, — (1 licensed), — Hawkshaw 1, —
 Symons 1, — Chaffey 1, — Edwards 1, — in all 17, — 13 male & 4 female, —
 Dog register
 sent notice
 of the
 sheep
 sides 3 or 4 pups. —

Hoyle's
 collecting calves
 finished
 Brizstock &c
 killed
 Braddick's
 Dog register
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 sheep
 sides

May 14th
after wild dog
Brush fence
Hall 100

Rode over Knight's Corner, with Porter taking my gun: - Blackaby, Braddick and Brizstock with guns also; scouring the bush, rocks, hills & dale after the wild dog; but found him not. - Some excellent food for cattle as well as sheep on the run. - On the way back I inspected the brush fence, and found that only 2 men were working at it, I having been unable for 6 days; - they were making very poor work indeed. -

Corn & B. 15th

Sent Carr & Beaghen to finish the brush fence Field's bound & line: - to go tomorrow. - The other 2 men to complete as much as they had laid bottom logs for; and to put the other part (which ^{they} considered as finished) in a reputable state. -

Braddick's
sheep
Totals

19th Braddick brought to the homestead 468 to be dresped, - there are also 521 well dresped, - 107 on turnips, - 267 to be dresped in Dble gate P.K. and 17 missing: - there have been 6 killed by wild dog, 1 killed giddy, & 1 died since Sept 21st. - The 2 from Parker's & 1 from Brownwick's are included in this amount. -

Dress
Brad to Hill

20th Brizstock & Hawkshears assisted by Blackaby dressing Braddick's sheep. - After putting up a brush yard to keep some sheep in for the purpose of attracting the wild dog. - Braddick ^{found} 2 more sheep killed.

W. W. W. Dean
5 Steers
Mr. Dore
teamy

21st Sunday. -
22nd Delivered to W. W. W. Dean 5, 3yr old steers at £5. - W. Douglas's teamy arrived on Saturday bringing soap, & salt &c from Mackinnon's & articles from Lannceston. -

Cows to
Back Marsh
wild dog

24th Turned into Back Marsh 40 Cows. (Memo. 19 numbered 3 on off neck. - 8 spotted. 28 of them picked by me for W. Kemode's Bull, in 1846. - the remainder principally milch cows. -) from Linkers Bog. - Brizstock & Blackaby to sit up tonight watching for wild dog at yard in Saffence P.K. -

W. W. W. Dean
Oats

25th - Porter & Braddick to sit up tonight. - W. A. Wigan's teamy arrived with 17 3/4 bushels of oats (his measurement) not thoroughly cleaned & a little mambunk: he wrote saying that I might make what reduction I deemed fair on the price. - I answered his note that they sh^d be passed through an machine, & measured. - Rode to Huntsman's Plain. -

Settled with
Hall 100
pd money for
dogs

26th - Brizstock & Blackaby tonight sit up. - Settled with Hall, Smith & Kemagh for 200 rods of brush fence - Field's bound, & Back Marsh - at 10 per rods. - Sent the money for dogs to W. R. Davies £1. 11. 6 by Josth Martin. -

Receipts for
dogs
Martin

27th Very wet. - No sitting up tonight. - Gave Hall 100 an order on Sherkel for £1. 13. 9 after deducting rations & extras. - They began the fence, 17th April. - Rode to Huntsman's Plain. - Rec^d receipts for dog tax from Westbury. - Martin has obtained his Y. L. -

29th Davies turned over to Saylor (as finished) Lady Hester. - Marked out ditch for Hester at Stocky & P.K. gate yard. - Brizstock's sheep in. -

May 30th Taylor brought word ^{last night} that the wild dog or dogs had been among Mr Hoote's sheep & had killed several. - Very wet stormy weather. - Marked out an extension of garden for present potato ground. -

31st The wild dog among Brigstock's hives again today. - I killed 8 & several wounded severely. - Rode with Porter in the direction of the place where Brigstock found the dead sheep, - but found no traces of the dog. Brigstock heard him yelping over the river, higher up, opposite Log fence PK, when he was in Tower Hill PK. - The burraungas reported to be taken. -

June 1st Brigstock's sheep in the yard. Drew out 8 to be dressed, (bitten & broken legs) and 10 to be killed, dreadfully bitten. - Counted out 966 (26 missing). - Went with Porter up the E. bank of Meander, sending Brigstock, Blackaby, & Braddock up the W. side taking guns. - Saw prints of a dog's feet turned down the river; - but found no traces of the dog after the slaughter of the sheep. - Brigstock found 3 sheep, all bitten. - (23 missing). - There is no proof that more than one dog were there. - I rode out in the afternoon, but I find no tracks of sheep through Field's fence, and saw no sheep in either the Tower Hill or Log fence PK. -

2nd Brigstock's sheep counted again 963 (26 still missing). The mistake of 3 may have arisen from stopping the ^{sheep} while under count to draw out single sheep twice. - Brigstock & Braddock with the sheep in Tower Hill PK all day. - I rode with Porter along Irigⁿ channel and a long way up the river towards the Sugar loaf, then across to the E. side and down to Brownick's fence; afterwards across a'zavell's marsh; but found neither sheep nor sheep tracks.

Brigstock found another dead ewe; making of killed & dead 14. - Hawkshaw & Porter sit up tonight. - My Brother writes that he has hired two men to split & put up a 4 railed fence at 1/2 per rod. - the posts to be 7.2 long and bines at the back. - the rails to be not less than bines wide. - they are to pay 10/- per hebdom^m for rations each and not to draw more than 30 lbs meat. 24 lbs of flour & 4 lbs of sugar between them. -

3rd Rode to the Log fence near the Meander & measured 55 chains in a S. by direction for our boundary distance, with Carr & Beagham. - I then rode towards the river & though I kept as I thought an E. by direction, found myself a long way above our boundary. - Carr & Beagham, after they left me, went towards the Sugar loaf & came across some fresh sheep tracks; no doubt of the missing sheep. - Sent Taylor this morning to Lancaster on Jack, to procure break & able harness for breaking in young horses. -

Wild dogs
Potatoes
Wild dog

Burraungas
Sheep bitten

after wild dog
after missing sheep

Counted Brigstock's hives

after missing sheep
Dead ewe

Post rail fencing at Weathers

Boundary of Log fence

Search of missing sheep
Taylor to Lancaster

Briegstock & Braddick were over the greater part of Braddick's run but found no sheep & no tracks. —

24 missing sheep found
Spane yard
Bound by line

4th Sunday. — Briegstock found 24 of the missing sheep, & brought them home. — Sent Cass & Beagham with Briegstock to make a span yard near the ford in Yowen Hill PK. for putting sheep in to entice the wild dog. —

Rented land
Forester

Rode with Porter along the N. S. line marked by me with Cass & Beagham, and starting from the end of it in an easterly direction struck the river about $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mile below the bound of our rented lands on the other side. — Rode over the rented lands: the plains are very wet in winter, I am sure; but there are fine dry hills towards the E. ends, good pasture lands near the river. — Forester finished the ditch at the Stocky, — in the forenoon. — Hawkshaw took Yarek. —

Cass & B.
Potato ground

6th Arranged with Cass & Beagham to prepare $\frac{1}{2}$ an acre of ground, adjacent the garden, for potatoes: — they have to grub (stake up the roots near the surface) ten trees; to cut them up, and help to load them for carting away; — to cut up $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of tussocks: — to dig $\frac{1}{2}$ acre: — to split the stuff for and put up 26 panels of post & rail fence (rails); for the sum of £6.10.0, paying for their rations. — Set Forester to open a drain at the edge of Mount Plain. — The cows & sheifers from Mount P^m were in the Stocky — Drafted 20 of the poorest cows into Tent P^k and 6 of the youngest into Bee P^k (where there are 11 store cows) leaving 30 cows & sheifers on the Plain. — Shifted Braddick's main lot of sheep from Tent P^k into Rape P^k at the N. side of ^{Square} Stocky P^k. — Briegstock & Blackaby sit up tonight. — (I lent them an old small tent, or part of a tent). — Rode through the Black Bag, which requires much draining, before it can be cultivated to advantage: the main cut also requires deepening & widening. —

Forester
Cows on Mount P^m

I sent Simms with "Bligh" to meet Taylor, but he did not arrive at Deloraine at 3 o'clock; so Simms will wait for him. — Set Forester to open the drain above the Black Bag, which was choked up in several places. — Taylor not back. — Hawkshaw & Porter sit up. — Sent Simms again to meet Taylor by Jewett's Sugarloaf. Taylor however having arrived at Deloraine last night, got another horse from Sherkel and drove up by the Falls. He brought a break from W & R. Co., price £13 if bought. W Weedon gave £4 for the dble harness: — and as Mr William's cheque for £2 was not honoured, he took it, & gave Taylor the money. — The break has a broken fetter, and wants a nut to the arm of the near hind wheel. — Taylor broke the pole & had it repaired coming up. — Briegstock & Blackaby sit up tonight. — Simms saw at Mr Foster's gate on this side of Punice stone flat a brindled young wild dog. —

Wild dog
Black Bag
Simms to Deloraine

Forester
The break
Taylor

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Mr Madon
Wild young dog

June 9th - Sent Edwards & Dunbar to split blackwood spakes, in the Forest.
Stocky P^K marked out a drain in Stocky P^K and arranged direction of the lands for ploughing. - Hawkshaw & Porter sit up tonight. - Davies, the horse breaker, is getting on rapidly with the young horses in the break. - McMahon finished brickwork of skilling to Cottage. -

10th Blackaby & Brizstock sit up tonight. - Taylor brought from Deloraine on Gancy 6 p^s of blankets, 3 lbs thread & 6 paper needles. - He brings word that the wild dogs have killed 12 or 13 of ~~our~~ ^{Mr} Hoates' sheep last night. -

11th Sunday. Nobody sat up. -
12th - Hawkshaw & Braddick dressing B's sheep in new yards. - Brizstock watching his sheep. - Took up brown mare (obt by exchange with ~~Mr~~ ^{Mr} North) and grey ~~mare~~ ^{filly} to break in to harness - the latter for plough &c, the former for carriage. - Forester went to the mountains with Borthwick for plants. - The saddle from Bronnwick's brought back the harness he took away to repair. -

13th - A, B, & B, dress^d Braddick's sheep. - The sheep in Yoko P^K have quite finished the tunings. - Blackaby watching Brizstock's sheep. -

14th - A & Briz dress^d Brad^k's sheep. - Brad^k attend^s on them. - Blackaby as yesterday. -
Ayes (who came back from Westbury today, bringing a parcel containing 1 hand saw, 1 jack plane, 2 Carpenter's hammers, 2 bead planes, spare plane irons, 1 Carpenter's axe, 4 boxes proups' caps, 4 lbs ~~III~~ powder, & some brads,) tells me that he saw 4 dead sheep with our earmark close to the S. gate of Punice stone flat. - they appeared to have been several days killed. -

15th Rode to look at the sheep aforesaid and found that they were marked in the left, instead of the right, ear (as our wethers). - Returned through Knight's Corner over the tiers home, but saw no tracks of sheep. - Porter has driven from Braddick's run within the last 3 days nearly 50 head of Fields' cattle. - Carr & B. have cleared off the greater part of the timber from the Potatoes^{land} and are burn^{ing} off the branches. - There are ~~372~~ ³⁷² of Brad^k's sheep still to dress. - Mixed the store sheep 52, and the sheep from Turnips 107, making together 159. - Mr. Mizon here at his oats. - Told him to draw on G. L. for the amt. -

16th Found Braddick's undressed sheep in Lane P^K again, - having crept under the fence & leaped the ditch from Stocky P^K. - Sent Porter for letters. -
17th Sent to Back Marsh by Braddick (with strict orders not to let them go towards the Meander or Knight's Corner) 886 of his sheep. - leaving 372, to be dressed, in Dble gate P^K and 107 with store sheep. - Forester finished bridge at gateway of Stocky P^K this forenoon (2nd day). - Wrote to Bell ordering deals & cedar, to Dowling for Prayer Books &c. to Corbett for iron.

June 18th Sunday - W. Williams preached in the evening. - Raining afternoon & night.

Rain

19th John Taylor ill (bilious diarrhoea). - Rain^g all day. - Very much water coming down Smith's Creek, which is neither wide nor deep enough to carry it, and the adjoining land suffers in consequence. - Raised the triple flood gates and others. -

Surface water after rain
Rape PK

20th Walked along the "main cut" and observed that the water flowed from it through two cuts in the bank, into the upper part of Rape Padk and thence down the N. side of it: - about a fourth part of the field at the N.W. corner was under water. - Found the water running into the backfast meadow from the E. drain; banked it out, and (having discovered that the overflow was caused by a large quantity of water which was escaping from the Irrig^{ing} Chaul in Mount^{up} PK and running over the land into the E. ditch of the same, then emptying itself by means of the N. ditch of Stocky PK.) Stopped this water from running E. by a dam at the ditch mouth. Inspected various other drains, (after nearly knee deep in water, and under pouring rain,) and made alterations which aided the escape of the water. Directed Knowles who was with me to stop all the openings along N. edge of the S. ditch of Lane PK, through which much water ran into the low parts of the grounds. - No good can be done, effectually to prevent great overflowing of the land, excepting by deepening & widening the "main cut". - Rode to the "flood gate" at the River; and observed that the blocking up of the creek at the turn below ^{on our side} is a doubtful advantage, probably a disadvantage; inasmuch as it prevents the water's getting away, raises its level, and causes it to flow over the bank on our side sooner than it would otherwise do. I must examine the place in time of flood. - Brigstock went to Breddick's run, to see the sheep. -

Overflow from Irrig^{ing} Chaul

Water in Lane PK

Remedy

Main sluice gate

Raft

Brigstock

21st Rode to Mount^{up} Plain and noticed the water running from the Irrig^{ing} Chaul within $\frac{1}{2}$ a mile of Mount^{up} PK in several places, across the land in a N.E. direction: the Chaul cannot carry ^{nearly} all the water that flows into it from the lands above; it should be widened considerably. - Saw a giddy sheep of Hawkshaw's. - Brigstock not back. Got up the young horses, & separated the yearlings (2 colts & 4 fillies) from the 2 years olds (3 colts & 10 fillies): - putting the former in Bright's Hill and the latter (after taking up the chestnut colt / in Bull PK. - Set Forester to clean drain at back of Barn & drain the yard. - Davies has finished Queen Mab and Vivandiere, & both of them are to be castrated and turned out. - Counted 18 young cows on Mt^{up} Plain. 2 polled, 3 red & white faces, 5 red faces, the rest 3 white faces. -

Irish sheep

Widened

giddy sheep

young horses separated

Davies

June 22nd Agreed to let W Sherkel have a fat cow weighing abt 550 lbs for £5.10.0; that he should send up the goods from Sammeston for the carriage of which I would allow him 10/-

Beast for Sherkel

23rd Carr & Beaghan mortising their posts for fence of Potato gr^d. - Chaffey shingling skilling. - Spring cart from Sherkel with goods.

Spring cart Cattle near Sugarloaf

Mr Atkins Cows

Braddicks sheep

Edwards to Deloraine

24th Rode up the Meander, and saw about 40 heads of cattle, 3 years old steers & heifers, in capital condition. There is now some very good grass between the Sugarloaf & river among the underwoods, especially where the ground has been burnt off. - Wrote to W Sherkel, by his man, who took away the beast slaughtered for him, that I could let Mr Atkins of Rutally have 15 quiet cows (milk) rising 5 yrs old, and 15 quiet Heifers rising 4 yrs old, at £6.10.0 per head. - Brigstock came back last night she with Hawkshaw & Braddick were dresping ^{had} the remainder of Brad^ks sheep 372: dresped, 160. - Edwards with Dunbar went to Deloraine today with a dray & 6 bullocks for deals & cedar from Bell & Iron of Churn from Corbetts; - nails & shot in the churn. - No answer from Sherkel.

25th Sunday. - (Fair)

26th Moved the calves into Bush Park. - Rode round the same and adjoining ^{park} where there appeared to be good cattle & sheep pasture. - Braddick's sheep again in Tent Park, and looking very much worse as to scab: the wild dogs threw us out of our dresping very much. Hawkshaw tells me that his sheep on Mountain Plain are not doing at all well. There are too many there; some must be removed.

Calves

Braddicks sheep

Hawkshaw's sheep

27 - Damp in the morning & fair in the afternoon. ^{Brad^k, Brig^k, Hawk^{sr}} dresping Brad^ks sheep - Arranged that Carr & Beaghan should take into the Potato gr^d the angular piece, across which the road to the Lane runs to make it square: finishing it like the rest for £6.10.0. -

Brad^ks sheep

Carr & Beaghan Potato gr^d

28th Brigstock & Hawkshaw finished dresping Braddicks sheep 227. - 1 of them giddy was killed. (Memo. 886 on run + 160 dresped June 26th + 227 dresped yesterday & today + 107 with store sheep = 1380 and 2 killed by wild dog + 1 killed giddy = 1383 i.e. 3 more than the correct number so that his missing sheep must have been in our paddocks all the time. - Rode up the Meander. - Settled with and discharged Bortherwick having no more work for him, & paid him £13.12.0 on account of my Father, retain^g £1.1.9 on account of rushes unburnt. - Porter says there are 24 panels of fence between Bark Marsh and ^{or by the river} Ball's Park?

Brad^ks sheep finished

Wray & Ham correct

Bortherwick

Since fence

that require propping. —

June 29th Hawkshaw's sheep from Mountⁿ Plain in the Stockyard. Counted 1092. —
being 18 more than at last count. — (16 were put with them by Porter). —

Drafted 200 to Bee Padⁿ, 82 to Mountⁿ Pⁿ, and the remainder 810 to Mountⁿ Plain, with orders to draw off 110 into West End, thus leaving 700 in Mountⁿ Pⁿ. — The sheep were perfectly clean, but generally very poor. In walking home I noticed much water in Bright's Pⁿ, which must be let off. — Rode to E. side of Braddick's run. —

30th Fleming sent into the Store today 72 bushels of oats, besides supplying the ploughmen &c. with 19 bushels. —

July 1st Brigstock's ewes in the yard. Drew out Rams 25, and counted 970 (besides 1 with wounded leg to go with Rams, and 1 giddy to be killed). —

Since I came there have been 19 killed by Fox account of wild dogs. Brigstock's sheep are perfectly clean, though some look very rough. I have noticed the best flock at Washburns with many ewes having

a similar appearance, caused by the sheep scratching for little red lice. — Braddick says that W. Parker's sheep, in very disorder, have been on the adjoining run, & 2 of them mixed with his

sheep. — Rode over the hills above Knight's Corner; saw none of B's sheep. —

2nd Sunday. — Rainy. —

3rd Heavy rain all day. — Cleaned out the lower rooms & the right hand upper room of the Store. — Smith's creek full of water. —

4th The river not over its banks. — Taylor could not get over the falls with the light cart, going to Deloraine for parcels. — Carr & B. find much more work in the small piece of Potato^g than they or I expected. — I must allow them something more for the job. —

Fleming sent 22 bushels more of oats into the Store; having now finished threshing all those on the floor. — Took up Bay filly 3y^r old out of Gips' and Bay filly 2y^r old out of Bligh to break in. —

Directed Symons to turn out Bounce & Hanky after 2 days hardening. —

Directed Martin to help Fleming thresh the clover. — Dinker with McManus. —

5th Got up the breeding mares to wean the foals, although I knew that they would do better with their dams. — But as these latter are to be sold in the Spring I thought the foals would prevent their getting into condition: nevertheless by the advice of J. G. I allowed them to remain as they were. — My Brother drove up here the Rev^d a stackhouse. —

6th Inspected some of the fat steers, and advised my Father through J. G. that they should be sold, rather than broken in. —

July 7th My Brother & Mr Stackhouse returned to Washburn today. - Sent
Taylor to Deloraine for parcels. -

Braddick's
sheep
wild dog

Braddick
collect

Philcox
Hawkshaw
skins

Miscellaneous

15 Steers
4 ox
Hulley
Brickmaker

Philcox
wiping steers

Braddick's
sheep
Bronze tub
600

42 rimping
by wild dog

Defining
miscellaneous
cattle

Braddick came this morning to tell me that one of his sheep had
been killed by a dog by the side of the road half way between the
lime kiln & the falls. - I started off immediately with Porter and his
dogs, and searched his run where the sheep had been pasturing.
We found another sheep, bitten on the off shoulder & near hip, quite
dead; it appeared to have been killed in the night. - We saw a
kangaroo on the marsh near the road where the other sheep
lies: no doubt the dog has been hunting after a kangaroo,
possibly this one, and, falling in with the flock, has fed on
mutton instead of game. - Ordered Braddick to collect his
flock on Monday into Lime Kiln Pad^k; to be inspected in the
stockyard on Tuesday. - Philcox tells me that Hawkshaw
does not treat him well; that he was away at Deloraine
(with my permission) on the 30th June, but did not return till
the 4th July, and then returned half drunk; that he took with
him skins to the value of £2.14.0 (he has sold before skins
to the value of £4) and did not bring home a farthing: -
that he has done so twice before (previous to my coming)
and each time abused him: - that he saved 23 of his
sheep from being drowned while he was away; and that
he cannot remain longer with him. -

9th Sunday -

Porter tells me that the 15 Steers and 1 ox have got out of the bush
Pash above Delegate Pad^k, and has gone after them. - A person
named Hulley applied to know if I wanted bricks made: I told
him, if he wd come here abt the middle of Sept^r he might prepare
for making 30000 or 40000 for me. - Philcox went this day
to Westbury abt his S. L. - Porter found 13 of the Steers. -

Rode to the Lime Kiln, and commenced with 2 men sorting the wethers
under Braddick's charge - drawing out the diseased sheep: after drawing
about 100, I found that 3/4 of them required dressing, and accordingly
ran off 600, and, after counting out the remainder, 628, drove them
home with Sessie. - Braddick had found another dead sheep (not killed
by wild dog) so that there are 42 of his sheep rimping today. - Put the
600 wethers in Brights P^k, and moved the Rams to Whitegate P^k. -

12th Brights & Hawkshaw dressing Braddick's sheep (214) Blankaby helping. -
gathered Brights's ewes in the afternoon for him. - Taylor started for
Washburn with brown mare. - Porter found the ox & another steer yesterday.

Calves of 2 yearling heifers

Two of four yearling heifers have dropped calves (by one of Field's bulls). - Sold Porter to kill them & save their manes for remut. -

Braddick's sheep

13th Hawkshaw & Brizstock with Braddick shepherding - 1 - Braddick found 39 missing sheep. - Gathred Brizstock's ewes - (1 cranky)

Missing steers

14th Porter found the remaining missing steers & put him with the others in Tent Padk. (I moved the steers & ox into Tent Pk, and the cows (20) into the bush Padk above Obligate Pk. -) Hawkshaw & Brizstock with Blackaby

Braddick's sheep

helping dressed 108 of Braddick's sheep; & looked over the lot of store sheep, now 156. - Settled with Chas Forester & L. paid him £3.9.0 in full

Forester

& gave him a discharge & good character. - Gathred Brizstock's ewes. - 15 Hawkshaw & Brizstock finished dressing Braddick's 600 Wethers. -

Braddick's sheep

Braddick brought up 649 for dressing and took away the 600. - There are 21 of his sheep missing. - Received a letter from Meachams

more brought to sell steers

authorising me to sell the steers in good condition and some sheep, to raise funds which are required. - Taylor brought up from Meachams the bay Sir Raymond's horse to be quieted.

Sir Raymond's horse

he had thrown him in Reibey's Forest & caused the loss of a packet of Record Newspapers. - Davies put him into the break with

Remut's

"fark" & persuaded him to go pretty smartly & freely, at once. - Taylor brought 3 remut's. -

W.W.M. camp

15th Sunday. - (Fair) 17th W.W.M. camp came. showed him the steers for sale. - Sold him the 12 picked steers for £90 and 27 others with the old ox for £155.5.0

sheep also

to be taken away in 3 weeks; the first lot on Tuesday week, the 25th inst. - Offered him 100 sheep shown & sent to Deloraine, for £50; he is to let me know, by first post, if his father will agree to it. if so, he can have from 200 to 300 more, picked from Braddick's

store cows

flocks. - The average price of the steers & ox is £6.2.7 1/2. - 18th Moved the 3 remaining cows (1 killed today) for slaughtering into Barn Pk with milk cows. - The 20 steers from Prince's Padk into Whitegate Pk. -

Rehired Ayres

Braddick reported the having nearly lost 16 of his sheep in the cut & another ~~dead~~ carcase of a sheep killed by wild dog making 3 killed & 1 found dead from disease. - Rehired Ayres at £14. -

Braddick's sheep

19th Brizstock & Hawkshaw dressed 182 of Braddick's sheep (which he took to their run) and 30 more, put in Stocky Padk. - Arranged on

Carr & B

the 18th (yesterday) with Carr to ^{renew} the fencing of Rape Padk. - 20th Dressed 200 of Braddick's sheep which, with the 30 dressed yesterday, he took away making 230. - Memo: Carr & B were 9 days digging Potatoes. -

Braddick's sheep

21st Dressed the remainder of Braddick's sheep which with those remaining from yesterday he took away making 234; - in all, 649 on the 19th, 20th & 21st.

July 22nd Suspected Hawkshaw's sheep running on Mountain Plain - 702
Hawkshaw's sheep counted - in improving condition & clean - 81 in Mountain PK. -
There are 2 more than the right number in the former, & 1 left in the
latter run - Brigstock brought me word that the wild dog had
been among his sheep in the morning (probably while he was
with Hawkshaw) and had bitten 3; but he found none dead.
he roughly counted on to the flat of 62. - Dennis rode the filly
out of Bligh to Deloraine and offered her to Sherkel for £20.
I marked to see me on Tuesday next. -

23rd Sunday - (Changeable). -
24th Brigstock found 1 dead ewe - killed by wild dog. - Rode round
several of the paddocks examining fences: and find there are very few
that do not require repairs or alteration. - Discharged J. McMahons
having no further work for him. -

25th W Dean Jr came. - He picked out 12 of the lot of 20 steers; and, as the
others were not in good order, I did not prep him to take the other
3 sold to him. - He took away 6 of the 12, and 6 of those in Bull Park
and gave me 3 orders ^(at 3rd wool) on his father dated 25th July, 8th Augt, & 22nd Augt, for
£76 each, making the average price of the 36 steers & 1 ox / 37 / about £6.3.3.
Arranged that he should have 100 wethers (fat) at 9/6, shorn & forwarded
to Deloraine. to be paid for in cash at U.B. to my Father's account. -

26th Sheared 50 wethers for W Dean: - Got in 4 of Brigstock's ewes that
were miring. Porter brought in 10 cows, very poor, from Bark
Marsh: & put them on flat. - Made sketch for new wool prefs -

27th Went to Woolmers. - Saw W Dean Jr, who said he had sent a
man to meet Braddick with the wethers. - G. Field spoke to
me about buying some breeding mares & carriage horses. -

28th Inspected young (2 teeth) rams - and found that there were
many fine sheep among them. - Rode round the paddocks. -
I gave my Father Dean Jr's 3 orders on his father. - He told me
to sell the fat wethers in their wool for 12/6 if offered. -

They want to make up 6 teams of 8 bullocks each at Woolmers
that is, 48 bullocks: they have 36 and will cull abt 8: - therefore
they will require abt 20 fresh oxen broken in. - Explained to
him the construction of new wool prefs. - Spoke to my
Father abt our bound line above the "Bloodgate": - and he
told me there was a log marked with a notch near the river
on the line: - also about the rented land on the E. side of the
meadows, which the Fields appear disposed to dispute with us.
and he said he wd write about the matter at once. -

29th Rode to the
Bloodgate
meadows
2. side of
meadows

August 1848

July 28th On the morning of this day 2 of Brigstock's ewes were killed by the wild dog; and several bitten. —

29th Returned to Cheshunt. —

30th Sunday. —

31st Counted Brigstock's ewes 60 (1 giddy was killed for rations on the 28th inst). — Killed 2 y^odd filly out of Bligh. — Davies operated. —

Aug 1st Brigstock found 3 of his sheep dead, near the bridge over Chitty's creek. (making 5 killed by dog). —

2nd Rode to the Sawpit & gave an order for some joists & small stuff. — gave him permission to go to Sarumston for a new saw. —

There is a very pretty clear hill-side about a half mile from the log fence ^{2th kind of} the same distance from Seiths Creek; with good pasture adjoining it, to the extent of some 180 or 200 acres. —

3rd Looked out a place for a hut & small paddock in Sagfence Park for Brigstock. — Carr tells me he & B. have split about 900 rails and 150 posts. — Brigstock found two more dead ewes about the bridge over Chitty's Creek, (making 7 killed). — There are yet 2 sheep missing that have not been accounted for. —

4th Hawkshaw's sheep in. Counted those from West End 585; — those from Mountain Plain 703; those in Bee Park 200; — and those in Mount Park 81; making a total of 1569. — Since they came to Cheshunt 12 have died

4 have been sold to W Deane with Mannings flock: — which (with 1 giddy on the run, 3 in Gibson's Park, 1 with store sheep & 1 with Braddick's flock) added to 1569 make 1591, showing a deficiency of 6, on the number sent up, or rather that arrived here 1597. — Wrote to W Deane to advertise Rumble for sale.

5th Rode in the forest at the back of Obligate Park. — There is fair pasture in places, but very much underwood, chiefly *Putanea Juniperina*. —

6th Sunday. —

7th Marked out place for Brigstock's hut and small sheep park, in Sagfence Park, by the side of Lower Hill fence, abt $\frac{1}{2}$ a mile from the river. —

Found store sheep in Obligate Park, & put them back into Tent Park. — Procured some gravel from the river side 3 furlongs below log fence. —

8th Braddick brought 657 of his sheep to be dressed. Brigstock & Hawkshaw commenced upon them. — John Davies started with the Chestnut 2 y^odd colt for Woolmers. —

9th Dressed Braddick's sheep. — Mr Geo: Gibson called to say that the fence running from the West End Stocky^d towards the N along the irrig^g channel wanted repair. — stating that his father had put it up, & we had kept it in repair hitherto & requesting me to do so now. I told him I'd refer it to my father. —

Brigstock's ewes
wild dog
Brigstock's ewes
3 ewes dead
Sawyers
Good land
W. of Seiths creek
Carr & B.
Brigstock's pens
2 dead
Hawkshaw's
Sheep
Mr Deane
Obligate Park
Brigstock's hut
store sheep
gravel
Braddick's sheep for dressing
Chestnut colt
Mr Geo: Gibson
fence

August 1848

Aug 10th - Commenced drefs^s Braddick's sheep. but obliged to desist in the forenoon from heavy rain coming on. - Braddick brought 530 more. making out a deficiency of 83. - Took away drefs to put into Simelike Park, till he finds the M^{ns} that are away. -

11th The wild dog was among Brigstock's ewes last night and killed 2, besides severely biting 6 which I had killed for rations, and wounding 6 or 8 more: - the brute bites a hole into the sheep's side that he catches, & sucks out the caul & sometimes the kidney fat. - I sent Porter along the river bank but he saw no tracks of the dog. - I am now building a hut at the ^Wedge of Sag fence P^k, and an enclosure adjoins for Brigstock this flock. - I have offered £5 for the dog that troubles us. -

12th John Davies returned bringing Marnion Va 2 yr old "Don Juan" colt out of W North's brown mare, made over to my Father by W D: both to be broken - into harness. - My Father writes that he has renewed W Dean's acceptance for 319 £ for 3 mos longer. - Brigstock, Porter, with Hankshaw & Blackaby, are taking it by turns to watch for the wild dog: - they began last night. - Brigstock & Hankshaw drefs Braddick's sheep.

13th Sunday - W Williams did not come. -

14th Drefing Braddick's sheep. - Selected a steer for W Shackle that it killed for him. - Blackaby & Knowles finished the enclosure in Sag fence P^k, so that I was able to put Brigstock's ewes in it. -

The lame ewe was missing. - Braddick had procured a bitch in heat, (from W Parker's overseer,) and she is to be tied near the sheep yard, where the men watch tonight. - I had her led about the

harness today. - The saddle from Brownwick's is here repairing some harness. - (I rode on Saturday over Braddick's run, but saw none of Braddick's missing sheep. - By the by he brought 45 more on Saturday so that there are 38 missing still. - The cows in the Back Marsh look poor, but they will do.) -

15th It rained heavily today. - no news of the wild dog from the watchers. - W Dean Jr came and took away 12 steers and the old ox from Gent Park. - I told him to tell his Father to pay £7 for the last ox (which has not been paid) and £23.15.0 for the 50 Wethers, which he said he wd do. - He offered 11/- for Wethers, fat, in their wool, which I refused. - W Shackle sent for & took away the steer killed for him.

16th There are, I hear, a wild bitch & pups in a scrub on Garrett's land: it is to be stormed some day soon. - the sooner the better. -

17th I find that "Rambler" is advertised for sale on the 1st Sept^r, which, W Weedon tells me, will be the day of the future Horse show & "Licensing day". - Brigstock goes into his hut tomorrow. -

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Rode to look for marked trees along our boundary line E. & W. above "Bloodgate"; but found nothing satisfactory. - The calves, which I rode to see, are in middling order. -

18th Rode up Seith's Creek about 3 1/2 miles. and walked 3 1/2 miles further, past some very pretty falls, abt 3 miles from where I started walk. - There is a land, beyond a mile above the log fence, fit for pasture: nothing but dogwood (Pomaderris apetala) scrubs, and ground covered with fern, very damp. - Finished dress^d the sheep Braddick brought up

19th Rode to Lime Kiln, and inspected Lime Kiln Park, abt 1/3 part of which is dry in the winter: it sadly requires drainage. - Saw 20 cows in BK Marsh. - Braddick's sheep in the stacks. - Examined them, and drew out 60 scabby, which I drove to the homestead. Counted the remainder 895 which with the 60 and 286 last dressed, make a total of 1241. showing a deficiency of 28 still; tho' Braddick told me he had seen 34 of 38 missing. - Brigstock

removed to his hut, although there is no fireplace to it. -

20th Sunday - W Williams preached in the evening. - (Changeable. -

21st. Braddick told me that he had found 10 of the missing sheep; 18 still wanting: - he took away the 286 sheep last dressed. - I rode

over his run, & found, on the river bank, below the turn at Garrett's sugar loaf abt 1/2 a mile, 1 dead sheep; but saw no tracks of any others.

John Davies brought from Delovaine in the light cart with the Six Raymond horse 1 cart cont^s. 1 Brace & 36 lints, 8 firmen Gages, 12 Humm. Shish lbs of Battin nails & 2 spokeshaves, - to this of - also 6 lbs ~~of~~ Powder, 1 bag of No 2 shot, & 4 boxes of caps to my of from Corbetts. -

22nd I find that some thief had entered the meat house on Sunday night, & abstracted some beef & fat: - he drew the staple of the door fastening. -

23rd. A boy from Delovaine named "Wm Paine" wishes to be Brigstock's hut keeper. Some of B's hives have found their way into Owen's Park: B. will take them to their run. - Porter brought on the 22nd 2 fat cows (for meat) and 3 poor cows from Back Marsh. - the latter in the flat. -

24th Rode to the log fence with the renewal of which Blackaby, & Co have made good progress: - Dressed the 60 sheep brought by me from Braddick's run on the 19th inst. Braddick took them away. - Consented that Wm Paine should keep hut for Brigstock at present. - gave B. 1 Kyring pan, 1 pannikin, & 1 plate, also 1 tin dish. - Hawkshaw took his 200 sheep from Bee Park to put 100 in Mount P^u & 100 on West End run. -

25th Rode over upper part of West End and saw that there was little sheep food; but that the bush much needed burning. - Moved the calves

Bound above Bloodgate
Calves

Seith's Creek

Braddick's sheep

Lime Kiln Park

Braddick's sheep

286

Brigstock to his hut

W Williams

Braddick 18 miss^d sheep

286 last dressed

1 dead sheep

Wm Paine

Wm Paine

5 cows from BK Marsh

Log fence

Brigstock

Wm Paine

Hawkshaw

200 sheep

Calves to Tent Padk. - Frost came to shoe the young horses in preparation for the journey to Lannceston.

Aug. 26th Arranged with a bricklayer from Deloraine to come & build the chimney of Brigstock's hut &c. - Rode to log fence, and Tower Hill where these men were getting stones for B's chimney. - Provided links for swinging bundles in log fence near the river. - No of store sheep 101.

27th Sunday -

28th Rode beyond log fence and over Sawpit Hill looking after sheep of Brigstock's that were missing. - Some were found by Porter. - Braddick having informed me that he had seen the dog on his run, Porter & I started off and met him at the spot where he saw him; but Porter's dogs gave no evidence of the scent of a strange dog; and at length he & I gave up the hunt half doubting B's account. - Suddenly when Porter was at one side of a scrub & I at the other, B. who was making homewards began shouting vehemently & without ceasing. - Porter galloped towards him directly & I as soon as I understood that it was he; when he said that two dogs had come out of the scrub, and made towards Knight's Corner. Porter who, accord^s to B., was only 150 yards behind them, saw nothing of them. - We found however a dead sheep, evidently killed yesterday by a dog.

1 more of Brigstock's sheep missing the wild dog on Braddick's run

2 dogs

1 mother killed by dog

Rambler young horses to Lannceston

Brigstock's repaired fence

Bricklayer from Deloraine

30th Carr & Beagham began renewing W. fence of Rape PK

1 mother killed by dog

Rehired Simms

Goods ordered

Yaylon and Davies

29th Started Taylor with Rambler and Davies & man with the grey colt, the chestnut filly, the bay filly, all 3 yrs old, and the 2 in Raymond horse for Lannceston. - Counted Brigstock's Ewes 950. - Carr & B. finished the repaired fence, or rather renewed fence, of Bright's Hill. - The Bricklayer from Deloraine, who came yesterday, began Brigstock's chimney. - Carr & Beagham began renewing W. fence of Rape PK. - Braddick came for rations & told me he had found another dead sheep, near the river. - Rode to look at Bricklayer building Brigstock's chimney.

31st Rode to Lannceston. - Saw the men at Dean's stables: - The hocks of the bay filly, had swelled so much as to unfit her for sale: - the chest filly looked miserable. - Rehired Simms at £14.

Sept 1st My brother came to town: - there were no buyers for Rambler, so I arranged with W. Wedow to take him into my hands, and let him come during the ensuing season. - Ordered some shingle nails from Corbett and a suit of clothes for Ayres from Robertson's. - None of the horses sold. - Gave Taylor an order for a horseing & butting horse mallet on Tenlein & Stubbs, - arranged that Taylor should travel with Rambler; and that Davies should remain a year at Cheshunt, breaking in the young horses, doing ordinary groom's work, for the sum of £45; 12£ to be paid by my father & the rest made up by

me, for breaking in at £1.10.0 per head & otherwise). - Saml Rowe to help to take back the young horses. - Davies & my Brother to take the Sir Raymond horse & the grey colt to Waulmers - D. riding the Sir R. up here on Monday or Tuesday. -

Sir Raymond
At
Sept 2nd

Ramble
to
adventure
W. Meadows

W. Douglas

Rode back to Chesnut, stopping as usual at Westbury. - Wrote to W. Meadows direct^s him to advertise Rember to travel from Westbury to Longford, Perth, Snake Banks, Cleveland & back. - Applicants for his services to write to W.W. and if solvent to receive a ticket for the no of mares to be put to him, allow^s in 5 to ⁶ owners to state his pedigree & performances, insist^s on the pure blood of Alice Gray. - Terms £3.3.0 groomage included. - By the bye Taylor told me that he thought 30s. per week wd cover the expenses of himself & the horse. - I hope so! - Wrote to W. Douglas ask^s him to arrange for the horses standing at his place. - Found the Galls ^{too} high & rapid, but got safely across, thank God!

Rehired
Porter

Rayford
returned
another
of
Bradley's
dead

Davies
returned
My
fields
&
wanted
to
see

Rates of
wages

Lambs
guns

Bradley's
draw
scabby
sheep
drawing
the
domestics
off
8th
At
Bradley's
sheep
draw
off
9th

3rd Sunday - (Rain) -
4th Rehired Porter at £12. - Took in the 3 guns lent from the store to Blackaby & Edwards. - Taylor & Saml Rowe returned with Rember & the bay & Chesnut fillies. - Braddick reports another wether dead by wild dog; making (3) lately. - Arranged to have B's sheep in his yards, to draw out such as require dressing, tomorrow morn^g. -

5th Davies returned with Sir Raymond; bringing a letter from my Father; partly abt the Fields - whom I convinced when in Saunceston as to the true positions of the pieces of rented land &c. on the E. side of the Meads, and with whom I arranged to examine O'Connell's land and decide about improving it, or renting it; & leasing our 2200 acres on the E. side of prior to them. - The rates of wages given at Waulmers are abt £12 for ploughmen &c. & £9 or £10 for com^{rs} labourers. -

6th Rode to Saffron Paddock &c. - Brizstock has 9 lambs dead. - Ordered the guns lent from the store to be brought back (2 lent by W. Stronach) on account of Sunday shooting. -

7th Rode to Braddick's shepards and draw out 193 scabby sheep from 739, leaving of clean sheep 546. - Blackaby & Knowles draw them up to the Homestead & put them on Bright's Hill. -

8th Dressing 193 of Bradk's sheep. - Brizstock has abt 200 lambs. -
9th At Bradley's shepards with Zenn drawing sheep. - Drew 126 scabby out of 299 + 44 = 343, leaving 217 clean. - In driving the 126 to the

Braddick's
sheep
1 dead sheep
Rehired
Marney
Knowles

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31st

Homestead 21 from the upper part of the river joined them: so that
Blackaby Knowles brought 147; and put them in Bull Padk.
Braddick has still missing on the run 161 sheep. — Taylor told
me that he saw a dead sheep by the river side in Knight's Corner
100 yards below Mr Hastie's fence. — Rehired Marney on Wednesday
at £12.10.0 and £1.10.0 for 8 pns of boots to be made in his own
time: — he is to have these wages from the 3rd Sept^r. Settled with
him & gave him £1 in advance. — Rehired Knowles yesterday at
£12 from the 7th Sept^r. — Rec^d by Taylor today from Deloraine
10th 11th Bright & Hawkshaw dressing Braddick's sheep. Brad^k brought up
118 more sheep. —
12th Mr Deane came and took away 12 steers; being the last of those set
to him. — Rode out on Braddick's run after missing sheep, and
sent Blackaby also: — Braddick found & brought up 32 sheep more
making all, gathered, 1253; 11 being still missing; (allowing that 3
have been killed by wild dog and 2 drowned.) — Porter & Barnett went
to Sammeston; — Porter talks Stockings. — Mr R. Douglas, here. —
13th Paine, the boy, but keeper to Brightstock; ran away ^{on the 11th} taking ½ lb powder from
Brightstock's canister. — Commenced sowing oats yesterday. —
14th Put the cows from Goat Padk into Bull PK. —
15th Sowed in the garden peas, beans & spinach, & planted some kidney
potatoes. — The bricklayer (having finished Brightstock's chimney) repaired Chaffey's oven. —
16th Porter & Barnett returned. — John Kelly, arrived from Macleod's just
being required there at present, he will assist Brightstock with his
hives & hanks, to keep the dog away &c. I will look after the Remes
and store sheep (99). — There has been only 1 sheep of Braddick's drowned. —
17th Sunday. — Mr Williams preached in the evening. —
18th Rode to Gibson's Sugarloaf & ascended to the summit. — There appeared
to be some good clear ground towards the hills; beyond Gibson's
lands, and to the W. of our rented land. — Finished sowing Tharrows
the stocky, &c. — There is a wether from Braddick's flock at Bramanick's.
19th Rode over upper part of O'Keefe's grant. There is a quantity of stony land
but altogether not above 100 acres. —
20th John Davies went to Wesley Dale to doctor a mare of Mr Rockeliff's
that had been severely hooved in the thigh. — The grass below spring now
fast, in all the unstocked paddocks. — A cow bagged on Bark Marsh. —
21st Mr McBurnick, Baker &c. from Deloraine, came to see if I could supply
him with sheep for slaughtering & sale. — I arranged to send him 20
tomorrow as an experiment, but did not fix the price: he will sell

Cow dead
Sept. 22nd

at 3 p.m. The cow that was bagged on the 20th is dead. —
Porter took the skin off the dead cow in Back Marsh, or rather Lime
Kiln Pad^k, and on opening her to ascertain the cause of death, found
a monstrous conception, namely a double calf, with 2 heads & 8 legs,
lying across in her: — she could never have given it birth. —

Monster
calf

Sowing in
Mount Pad^k

I walked through Mount Pad^k where oats are now being sown:
I found that though the ground has been subject to frosts &c for
a long time since ploughing that 2 harrowings caused the seed well
I drove the Store sheep from Homestead (Kelly having started with
20 for W. Cornick at Deloraine) to Tent Pad^k & only counted 77. —

20 sheep to
W. Cornick

Cow dead
Mount Pad^k

I walked through part of Mount Pad^k which was very wet; and saw
on some open grounds a cow dead & skinned (by Porter) with a dead
calf by her side. — (Memo died on Monday last). — Found that the
backfoot grass (though last year's seed) had entirely failed; the eye
grass (*Solinum pratense perenne*) doing pretty well. — Examined the fence
on N. side of Stocky^d Pad^k: the bank must be thrown from the fence, to
make it safe against sheep. — Davies started on Traulin with ^{machines} Warriner for

Backfoot
grass

Eye grass
Stocky^d Pad^k

23rd Rode with Porter to look at the Monster calf in Lime Kiln Pad^k. —
It was as if two calves had placed themselves ^{to face} body to body,
& grown together from the front of the breast bone to the navel;
the legs of one passing over the shoulders & quarters of the other, & vice
versa; — there were two umbilical cords, and all the parts of two
distinct calves to each side of the central line, with the exception
of the brisket which was common to both; and the liver
which ^{was} undivided, though having two gall bladders; it appears
like two livers intimately cemented together, & overlapping each other.
There was no division between their viscera. — Determined (on
account of much unpleasantness caused by Chaffey, & particularly Mrs
Chaffey, concerning grievances, which had always occurred some days
before they were mentioned, and which could easily have been
rectified (where they required rectifying) at the time, had they been
mentioned) determined that, if my Father agree to it, that, i.e.
the whole Chaffey family, shall leave immediately. — I am not
satisfied with Chaffey's conduct in these complaints; he has not
adhered to plain unvarnished statements. Mrs Chaffey is barely
"compos mentis" and so (though she is a passionate mischiefmaker
woman) she is more to be pitied than condemned: — however she
will be a good riddance. —

the monster
calf

the
Chaffey
family

24th Sunday. (Rain)

25th Commenced planting potatoes, in new piece of ground near garden

Sept 25th - Bothwick arrived yesterday & sowed, cannot sow onion seed in the garden today. - Notwithstanding the late rains the river is not over its banks. - Rode to Huntsman's Plain where I heard there was a Kangarooer residing, with a stock of provisions for the supply of a party that had gone further up the river; - however there was no man there & judging from the number of Kangaroos, there had been no one there lately. -

27 Old Stockings was horned today in the flank, which accident will place him 'hors de travail' for a month. - Davies went to look yesterday at W. Rockcliffe's horned mare. -

28th Taylor started with Rambler on his travels. - A man came to help John Davies - I arranged that they should do all my grooming & looking after the mares & foals; for which I would pay extra. - Gave Harman yesterday ^{£2.5.0} for 1000 (6ft narrow) + 800 (5ft) narrow paling, which was carted home from across the Falls, by Symons, Sims & Edwards. -

29th Arranged that Harman should split me a quantity of broad paling; the price to be fixed when I saw specimens. - The hawerow entirely run out of flour; ^{excepting what is damaged} I shall obtain some today from McComick of Deloraine. - On coming (with Jack in the light cart) back. the cart struck fast in a hole, & was left all night, - Davies bringing Jack home. -

30th Davies brought home the cart this morn' with bedding from Robertson's. - 300 lbs of Yelow & 10 lbs of Tea from McComick, also 2 doz Sasting tacks. -

Paid Frost £6.6.3 for work as per book. - (I gave Joseph Martin the other day the follow' articles for bootmaking; viz. 2 prs lasts, 1 hammer, 1 ^{pr} pincers, 1 pr ^{pr} knives, 2 doz lasting tacks, 2 balls hemp, 3 awls of sizes; with sole & kipe leather, & sole & heel nails for 2 prs of boots.) - Gave George Harman this day, 1 butter tub (instead of bucket), 2 pannikins, 2 plates, 1 quart pot with spout, 1 frying pan, 1 maul complete, 1 axe, 4 wedges of sizes, 1 iron pot (to be got from Braddish), 1 pit saw (to be altered to X cut), 2 X cut saw files, 1 Kentish rag stone, paling throws, 1 saw-set; - I mixed a quantity of the inferior flour with an equal quantity of that from McComick's (fine flour), and the mixture did very well; (the inferior flour was yesterday passed through a fine sieve which aired & improved it much.) The little insects that have troubled us so much by getting into the flour, still enter the flour box & I am obliged to keep all the flour bagged; they come out of the timber of the roof & loft. -

Oct 1st Sunday. - Rode up one side of the Meander & saw a number of the outside cattle, which look well; and also the ewes & lambs which appear thriving. - Fleming's time expires tomorrow: he will not hire for a year but I promised him a job of ditching. -

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or surveying the line of division; - nor forced to allow of our taking fencing stuff from their land.

That trespassers on land rented from the Govt can be proceeded against in the usual manner for other property. -

That the Fields can prevent our putting up the fence on the line as, to do so, we should be obliged to trespass on their ground. -

That therefore it would be advisable to erect the fence a short distance within the line of division. -

That if the Fields refuse to acknowledge that the marked trees on the line denote the true boundary; it will be necessary to have the line resurveyed. -

That the Govt can give us a road through any of the land leased by the Crown directly; but through granted land only by means of the "Road Act". -

That it is not probable that the leased Crown lands will be resumed before the expiration of 10 years, excepting under very particular circumstances. -

Returned to Woolmers. The surveyor Genl had promised to write a distinct letter to my Father stating that the marked trees forming a line in continuation of the S. bound^y of the land purchased by W. Field denoted the bound^y in question between our & the F's rented lands. - I am to prepare for receiving 1000 sheep within a fortnight, at Cheshunt, & £2500 within a month. -

21st Waited for the arrival of Mr Powel's promised letter till 11 o'clk, when I started for Cheshunt. No letter arrived. - Heard at

Mr W Bishton's, on my way up, that Rev W Bishton's affairs were in the hands of his creditors: -

22nd Sunday. 20 sheep to Mr Cornish in my absence
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23rd. Henry Symons started for Woolmers with "Kott" in the spring cart, taking a keg of honey for Rev W. S. F. D. K., some eggs for the former & a parcel of books; - 2 cheeses for Mrs A. & 1 for S. Symons. also 6 plants of 5 species of pines, 1 Uuratah, 1 Baccharis, 1 Boronia, & 1 Belleudena for Mrs A. Woolmers & the same for Mr G. W. A., in a box. -

Gave Symons a cheque for £12 & £1 cash, in all £13 on acc of wages. -

24th. Had the Cheshunt calves and the cattle from Woolmers in the yard. - Drove out from the Woolmers lot 8 yearling steers & 7 yearling heifers, for Back Marsh Run - also mixed with them 36 yearling steers & 33 yearling heifers bred at Cheshunt making in all 40 yearling steers & 44 yearling heifers. - Drove them with Porter to the Back Marsh. - Put the 4 oxen in Bridge Pad. - Mr A. Wigan here. -

Woolmers 20th

Sheep for Cheshunt

Rev W Bishton

20th sheep to Mr Cornish

Henry Symons

Woolmers

Plants to Woolmers

Cash to Symons

Cattle from Woolmers separated to heifers bred at Cheshunt

4 oxen in Bridge Pad

Oct^r 25th - Ordered Braddick to bring his sheep up to the homestead. -
Rode along the bound^r line between our & the Field's rented land, &
found that on side wd furnish logs enough (I think) for an American
log fence. -

26th Rode to Bentley, & then, on foot, explored the Sabster Creek. - Coming
home Pigeon fell with me, and wd have broken my back, had
I not had my vasculum on, well strapped; (Thank God!) -

27th Wm Ryland, Shoemaker, came last night. & John Kelly left for Washburn
this morning. - Braddick brought yesterday more than 900 sheep
I put them in Luce Pk. -

28th Reengaged Snell & Hadkinson, Sawyers, to cut timber for me according
to the Govt Regulations at 8/- per 100 feet | about equal to 3/9 per 100 feet of
the Bush-measure^t Henry Symons & wife returned. - Drew out 20
Wethers for W. Cornick, Deloraine (only 16 left). - Moved the sheep
from Bright's Hill to Delegate Pk. Put the 16 store W. into Bright's Hill. -
The Chestnut 4 yr old (rising) filly has the poll-evil from a ~~foreign~~ blow
recd when under Bramford's care. Davies opened the tumour today, dressed
it with blue-vitriol &c. & placed a seton in the neck. Spec^d by in notes from Henry Symons.

29th Sunday -

30th Proceeded to Washburn, in order to be present at the commencement
of the Shearing; riding Rotterdam mare leading Pigeon. - Saw
Messrs W. & J. Field at barriek, and averaged with them for the
survey & fencing of the division line between their rented Crown
land & mine on the E. Side of the Meander. - W. B. O'Meara
Chiller at the Survey Office had written to them on the subject.

31st to Row 5th inclusive - no shearing with the exception of a few rams
in the grease and 230 store sheep. -

Quality Wethers delivered to W. Cornick - Deloraine. -

Commenced shearing with 28 shearers. -

8th Shearing - Started with Chas. Hottle for Chestnut and stopped
at Westbury for the night. - Robt Wignall, Shepherd, engaged £16 per any 9 or 10 suits of bedding

9th Arrived at Chestnut. - One Ram dead. -

10th Selected 40 Wethers (from Braddick's lot) for W. Cornick and
sent them by Braddick to the Falls - to be forwarded to
Deloraine in the morn^g. he afterwards to go on towards
Westbury until he meets the sheep from Washburn
sh^d they be sent up. - (Settled with Morrell & Brickley). -

11th Robt Wignall, Shepherd, arrived; without any sheep - none having been sent
on account of the rain. -

12th Sunday. -

S. side of Meander bound
Sabster Creek
Ryland
Braddick's sheep
Sawyers
20 sheep to W. Cornick
Chestnut filly
£4 per H. Symons
Washburn
Renter Crown land & side of Meander
Constables
20th Dec^r
Morrell
Reverend
40 sheep to W. Cornick
Wignall

- Nov. 13th Barnett finished the cottage in Borthwick's Park as far as he can do anything to it. - Inspected the banks of the Meander below Field's Stockkeeper's hut, with a view to throw a bridge across; and found a likely position for it. - Gave Duckett a job of ditching in Hut Park.
- 14th Mr Scott the Surveyor arrived. Attended him during the survey of the division line between our & John Field's rented Crown land and its continuation along the S. bound^r of Wm Field's park lot; also where it stops & turns at a right angle to the S. - which last line was marked for about 30 chains only, on account of scrub. - The line, which has been formerly marked, turns out to be in the proper position for the bound^r. Mr Scott finished today by taking an angle across to this the W. side of the river for the start point tomorrow. - Yarded all Braddick's Wethers and selected 327 of the best which were put in the Blackgate Pk; - the rem^r being taken to the same Park, in numbers - missing. -
- 15th Mr Scott started betimes, and marked off, as he proceeds to the S. the fence between Logfence Pk & Lower Hill. - The line between Adey's grant and Lot. 230, the logfence (which in our chart is a long way out of its place) and the S. bound^r line of Adey's grant. - Then starting from the river he measured W. along this last line, marking the trees, up to the S.W. corner, where he drove in a stake; and finally marked the line N. ward to the logfence. - He laid down his measurements on our chart; and proceeded to Bentley in the afternoon. Wm Clark assisted him today. -
- 16th Gave Wm Ryland, Shoemaker, the tools formerly issued to J. Martin. Arranged the store a little with C. H. -
- 17th & 18th Duckett finished the ditch in Hut Pk, and also taking up the rushes & tufts of grass near the creek. -
- 19th Sunday, Rev W Williams here P.M. -
- 20th Marked out a ditch in Yinker's Bog for Duckett. -
- 21st Cleaning oats for Woolmers. -
- 22nd Marked a spot in the rented land on the E. side of Meander for a Shepherd's hut & yards. - Clark Ayres Blackberry & Knowles to go there with a tent to put them up. -
- 23rd W. A. Wigan came, & bought the small brown 4 yrs old filly for £14 which he paid me in notes. -
- 24th Rode to the East side of Meander to see how the man was getting on: - crossed the rented land and much pleased with it. - Davies took the brown filly to W Wigan's. -
- 25th Sent Edwards with a team to Deloraine for goods: he brought

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back 68 sheepskins from McBoornick's, - also 400 lbs of flour & 40 lbs of sugar. -
and (from Coaketts) a box contain^g 2 2-inch augers, 1 hand saw, 2 doz. pit saw files,
sundry instruments for shoemaker such as awls, rasp, forepart iron, lasts,
tacks, & spigots, & jiggers. - Joiner's boards $1\frac{1}{2}$ & $4\frac{1}{2}$. - 2 adzes. - lbs horse shoe nails 6
& 7. - lbs of hurdle-nails. - Blackwell came from Washburn, concern^g
the state of the roads, sheep coming up & c. - Harmon told me
today that he had split about 3000 palings of posts & 500 posts & rails,
Snell has cut about 200 pieces of quartering 5x2: told him to cut as
many more. - Rode round the greater part of Braddick's run:
saw a few of the calves, which looked well. -

Blackwell

Harmon

Snell

26th Sunday -

Washburn
Bungoyne

27th Rode to Washburn. - Paid J. G. for Bungoyne 15/- Hand saws - 10/- Gun, & 10/- Beagham - £1.15.0

Washburn
Bungoyne
Harmon

28th Superintended the finish of the shearing; and made out the amounts of the
shearers: also settled with them & sent them away. -

Washburn
Bungoyne
Harmon

29th Selected 12 rams of the old kind, for Gyro's flock; and 15 rams, consisting
of 5 bred by Mr Youl, 2 Panhanger, & remainder old kind, for Gussell's flock. - Went
to see Mr John Bomey's flowers, which are very creditable to him. -

Washburn
Bungoyne
Harmon

30th In Samceston. - Ordered goods at Dowlings, Yarous's, B. H. Campbell's (whose bill
amount^g to £1.14.0 I paid). - Brooks's & Corbetta's. -

Washburn
Bungoyne
Harmon

Dec^r 1st Started from Washburn for Werthing, driving 2 horses tandem in my carriage.
Stopped at Miss Moriarty's. - Mrs W a girl & servant girl with me. -

Washburn
Bungoyne
Harmon

2nd Mr Douglas bought 3 rugs for me, at White's, Werthing; to park drawns & c. in. -

Washburn
Bungoyne
Harmon

Started for Werthing at abt 10 o'clock, & reached it at abt $\frac{1}{2}$ past 2 o'clock, in
safety, with wife, child, & servant; thank God! - Purchased 16 & 40 lbs sugar
at McBoornick's for use of establishm^t. - Mr Potter came with me from
Deloraine, across the ford in the Meander. -

Washburn
Bungoyne
Harmon

3rd Sunday

Washburn
Bungoyne
Harmon

4th Drew out 6 wethers for McBoornick, & sent them by Braddick (whom I rehired
for 12 mos at £18) to his yards on the way to Deloraine; after delivering
them to Mr B. he was to go on towards Werthing until he met the
flock from Washburn, & they be coming. - Sent Dunbar to meet Mr
Douglas's team coming by way of Green's Sugarloaf; he returned
at about $\frac{1}{2}$ past 4 o'clock to say that the wagon had stuck fast
near Mr Skote's Sugarloaf. - I sent Fleming to take charge of the goods
for the night. -

Washburn
Bungoyne
Harmon

5th This morning I sent Symons & Edwards with a dray & 6 bullocks, to
help Mr Douglas's wagoes: & both teams arrived at 2 o'clock with
the goods which consisted of 10 bags of flour, 6 bags of sugar, 1 chest
of tea, 38 sacks, 24 woolpacks, 4 boxes, 6 parcels (1 containing 12
of shears, Salsie & 4 pups, - 1 small chest of drawers. -

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Blackwell

Blackwell arrived at about 1/2 past 8 o'clock, having left Kelly at the Halls in charge of the sheep from Washburn: as Braddick had misbehaved himself and had not come with them from Deloraine.

Dec 1st Rode with B.H. & Blackwell to the Halls: counted the sheep 1494 making a deficiency of 306.

Goods to Washburn by W. Douglas's wagon

Brigstock riding the wagon

Misping sheep

Misping sheep

Chaffey

Sheep from Washburn

Winnam bought

Sheep to W. Coraie

Started with B.H. to look for some of those missing - Found 53 - 20 of which we drove to Deloraine. - Braddick was drinking at O'Donnell's

Started W. Douglas's team in the morning (Sims taking half the load as far as Deloraine) with 24 bags of oats, weighing gross ^{27.6} ~~27~~ cwt. and 179 sheepskins (67 of which they were obliged to leave behind at the ford) short by 67, left, making 112 taken; - also Miss Cowie's trunk & some parcels. - Reined Brigstock at the same ways as last year.

Rode to Westbury & laid an information agst Braddick. - Blackwell on the way down found 63 more sheep on the Westbury side of W. Rocks. - Heard of more. - Braddick went & got these sheep & started with them the 20 from Thomas's, Deloraine, making 83 for the Halls.

A summons to appear at Westbury on Saturday, 12th, was served on B. at Deloraine. - Kelly took home 42 sheep of those misping, today.

Braddick arrived at the Halls with 48 sheep. - Settled with Fleming & Beagha. Rode to Westbury, but as Braddick did not come, W. Jones issued a warrant for his apprehension. - B. went to Field's run near W. Rocks

took 65 sheep (so I understood) to Thomas's. - I took out licenses for 3 days of Porter's - 1 of Edwards's - & 1 of my own. - Gave a man of Field's 5/- for finding sheep. - Brigstock found one of his ewes killed by a hyena. -

10th Sunday. - 11th Marked out place for sheepwash, and commenced preparing it. - Sent Mrs Braddick & baggage to Deloraine by Sims, & gave her £1.10.0. - Sent Dunbar to keep hut for Kelly. - Chaffey went to look for a farm for himself.

12th Rode up the Meander, & crossing over above our rented land, went to the new yard &c. on the "East Side", expecting to find the sheep from Washburn arrived. They did not arrive however till late, and

58 of the young wethers were brought up with them. - Blackwell, & Manning came with Mignall & W. Mannus; - the two last to remain. - The sheep were counted as correct on arrival. - Bought tinware from two men named Bell & Stephens to the amt of £1.6.6.

13th Rode to the East Side to count the sheep, but found that Mignall had stupidly turned them out. - Sent 20 wethers by Manning (who is returning to Washburn) to W. Coraie's, Deloraine. - Rode to the Beefeater hill but heard nothing of any misping sheep.

14th Blackwell & Porter started to look after the misping sheep. I rode to the

Counted young ewes on East side
Articles to Mr Mauns
Brisstock's Lamb
15th Miffing sheep

East side, and finding the young ewes in the yard counted them to 1230; within 1 of the number said to be brought up, so that I have no doubt they are right, as they seen in rushes at times & I very probably missed 1. - I gave Mr Mauns, 2 plates, 2 pannikins, 1 dish, 1

to frying-pan, 1 butter-tub (inst' of a bucket.) 2 new large blankets, 1 rug, 1 tick. - Brisstock's ewes & lambs in the yard at his hut. - I remarked to the lambs; of which there were 365 wethers, 437 ewes & 3 rags. I counted 946 ewes making 2 missing; one of which was a lame one. -

15th Porter returned today having only seen 12 of the miffing sheep; & he was unable to drive them to Thomas's paddock: - he heard of 15 more. - Chaffey returned yesterday. -

16th commenced mowing the clover in Clover PK for hay. - Balanced Brisstock's account, & found £9.18.6. due to him; but I have to make him allowance for powder & shot. - Wrote to the

Ed. of S. Exam. to advertise the miffing sheep as lost, & offer a reward of 3 sh heads for all deliv^d at Thomas's. - Ordered sundries from Campbell's & Corbetts. - "Examiner" also to advertise the sale or better of about 42 of the horses here, young & old. -

Rode to Clover PK, & on to the river to look for a place at which a bridge might be erected; - but did not find a very satisfactory site. - Mr Parker's shepherd took to belly 24 of the miff^d sheep. -

17th Sunday. Rev^d Mr Williams here, in the afternoon. -

18th Brisstock reported the death of a lamb, which was eaten, bones, wool, skin, & flesh, by a hyena excepting the head & a small portion of one shoulder. Prepared for washing on Tuesday. - Edward's time expired today: he wants £15 per ann. - I wrote to my Father about him. - Mr Douglas's two wagons

arrived bringing 10 bags of flour, 31 woolpacks, 32 cornsacks, the woolprep complete, 9 branding irons, 8 paint brushes, 2 buckets, 6 plates from C. Reid, 1 panel & letter from Woolmer. -

19th Sent to Woolmer by Mr Douglas's teams 44 bags of oats weigh^g 3744 lb, 2 packs of wool in grease weigh^g gross 270 lbs - 62 sheepskins. - 1 wooden wool-screw & head of woolprep. - Wignall reported the running-away of his best dog. - Two persons came to look at the young horses; but bought none. -

I promised Ryland, that if he took 1/2 pains with the boats he made, & was economical, I wd allow 1 shilling for every pair. ^{Cent of lbs - 50 2.20} of boats he made. - Paid Wm Phillips for Potatoes - £4.9.0. -

20th Washed about 278 6 teeth wethers. Hudgeon & Shearn arrived. -

21st Repair^d & altered sheepwash. - Went to the top of Cummings's Head, and on to the plain beyond. -

22 Washed 410 6 teeth wethers. I spent at Barr Hudgeon & Knowles - Blackaby

Mowing done for hay
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24th Sunday. -

25th Christmas Day. - Brigstock reported 5 ewes dead, killed by the dog on
Friday or Saturday; several also worried. - The ewes suffer from dogs
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26th Settled with & discharged Edward Dunbar. - Sent to Kelly as hutchkeeper
yesterday, Anthony Riley, who came on the 23rd. - Gave each man on
the place yesterday 1 lb of plums, 2 lbs of sugar, 2 lbs of suet to make a pudding.
Martin & Clark not returned from Deloraine. - Wignall has taken a Kangaroo dog
capture. - I sent him word to destroy it. - (4 shears came) -

28th Wignall came & told me that he had captured two more Kangaroo
dogs asking me to send for them, as he did not like to kill them, for
fear of exciting the malice of their owner. - (Martin returned)

29th Washed 24 Rams and put them in Borthwick's Park. - I sent Blackaby
& Knowles for the 3 Kangaroo dogs; and when they brought them, their
owner came with them. On consideration I gave him the choice of
paying Wignall 15/- (the money promised to him for the dogs) or having
dogs killed. he agreed to the former propⁿ. - Went away to satisfy
Wignall with skins to that amt. - I allowed him to have his dogs. -

30th Sheared about 100 teeth Wethers. - Hudgeon & 5 men of our own. -

1849 31st Sunday -

1st Commenced shearing with 7 shears - Hudgeon, Gorman, Moffatt, Morris,
Ails, & our 2 men, Edwards & Ayres. - Washed half of Brigstock's ewes. -

Settled with Richard Chaffey and paid him in 3 cheques £40.10.2. -
R. Chaffey & family started from here (6 of them) & I sent Sins with the
light cart to help them as far as Deloraine. - Sins returned late
having taken 9 of the missing sheep from Thomas's park to the Yalla

Riley (whom I started yesterday to Deloraine with 20 sheep for Mr
McBoonicks) returned home tonight, not having succeeded in getting any
of the missing sheep. Sheared yesterday, 223 sheep; today, 292 sheep. -

Wignall wants me to get a man to help him till the fence is put up. -
Finished washing Brigstock's ewes. - He says 9 have been killed this last time. -

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hives
killed by
dogs

26th Settled with & discharged Edward Dunbar. - Sent to Kelly as hutchkeeper
yesterday, Anthony Riley, who came on the 23rd. - Gave each man on
the place yesterday 1 lb of plums, 2 lbs of sugar, 2 lbs of suet to make a pudding.
Martin & Clark not returned from Deloraine. - Wignall has taken a Kangaroo dog
capture. - I sent him word to destroy it. - (4 shears came) -

Dunbar
Anthony
Riley

Plum & sugar
& suet
Kangaroo
dog

28th Wignall came & told me that he had captured two more Kangaroo
dogs asking me to send for them, as he did not like to kill them, for
fear of exciting the malice of their owner. - (Martin returned)

2 more
Kangaroo
dogs

29th Washed 24 Rams and put them in Borthwick's Park. - I sent Black Kelly
& Knowles for the 3 Kangaroo dogs; and when they brought them, their
owner came with them. On consideration I gave him the choice of
paying Wignall 15/- (the money promised to him for the dogs) or having his
dogs killed. he agreed to the former propⁿ. - I went away to satisfy
Wignall with skins to that amt. - I allowed him to have his dogs. -

Washed Rams
Kangaroo
dog and
their owner

30th Sheared about 100 teeth Wethers. - Hudgeon & 5 men of our own. -

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31st Sunday -
Commenced shearing with 7 shears - Hudgeon, Gorman, Moffatt, Morris,
Ails, & our 2 men, Edwards & Ayres. - Washed half of Brigstock's ewes. -

Jan 1st
Commenced
shearing

Settled with Richard Chaffey and paid him in 3 cheques £40.10.2. -
R. Chaffey & family started from here (6 of them) & I sent Sins with the
light cart to help them as far as Deloraine. - Sins returned late
having taken 9 of the missing sheep from Thomas's park to the Yalla
Kelly (whom I started yesterday to Deloraine with 20 sheep for Mr
Boonicks) returned home tonight, not having succeeded in getting any
of the missing sheep. Sheared yesterday, 223 sheep; today, 292 sheep. -

R. Chaffey
they leave
Chesham
9 missing
sheep
20 sheep for
Mr Boonick
shearing

Wignall wants me to get a man to help him till the fence is put up. -
Finished washing Brigstock's ewes. - He says 9 have been killed this last time. -

Jan 3rd - Shearing all day, and wool pressing - Sheared 382 sheep -

4th - Ditto part of ditto. - & Ditto " 180 " -

5th Unable to shear today, the sheep (Brigstock's Ewes) not being dry. Washed yesterday 328 of Hawkshaw's sheep from Mountain Plains and to-day 672 ditto from West-End. - The wool from the 6-teeth Wethers fills 11 bales exclusive of fleeces. - The bales not yet weighed.

6th Marked 516 of Hawkshaw's sheep - being all he could find on his run. Sheared 400 Ewes. - Turned the breeding ewes into Dog fence Pk -

7th Sunday -

8th Sheared 430 Ewes - counted the 6 teeth Wethers 1139. - Hawkshaw went with Kelly to look over his run for his missing sheep; they found in Knight's corner, mixed with 360 of Kelly's Wethers, 8 sheep of the 6-teeth Wether flock (Braddick's) in their wool; - 3 of them scabby. - Hawkshaw not having found his missing sheep, suggested that they might have mixed with the 6-teeth Wethers, which to the extent of about 40 they have done, as we ascertained by the count. - Collected a number of young cattle today with Porter from the Sugar-loaf run - and drafted them in the yard as follows viz: - 13, 4yrs old heifus to make up the breeding herd in Bee Pad Pk

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10th Sheared 434 Wethers. - Barr & Harman repairing N. fence of lower Hill. -

11th Settled with Wm. Gorman yesterday, (he being subpoenaed to Westbury). - Sheared today 263 sheep. - Wm. Gibson came; to whom I offered Lady Bester for £20. - Wm. to send her to his place on the 12th inst for trial. - He had been given he said 5/- per head for the pick of 200 out of 600 Wethers in store condn. - Declined. - He saw about 20 of Hawkshaw's sheep in his Marsh Padk. - I find that I did not take into account that I mixed 16 store Wethers with Braddick's lot, so that there would be only 24 of Hawkshaw's among the 6-teeth instead of 40. - Should he find 20 he will be very few short of his number. - Finished dressing 6-teeth Wethers. - I hear that meat is selling in Lannerton at about 3 per lb joint, & 2 1/2 per lb. carcase; if so, I ought to get about 9/- to 9/6 per head for the 6 teeth Wethers. -

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8 missing 6 teeth Wethers

Hawkshaw's missing sheep

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the late Wethers. — John Yaylor arrived with Rambler. —
 Finished shearing before breakfast; paid off the shearers. — bathed
 all the male calves, and 5 young bulls (2 2-year-olds & 3 yearlings). — Branded
 all the calves: the get of Robin Hood, heifers, A1; and the heifers got
 by the sons of Rob Roy A2; — the calves of milk cows, also by Robin
 Hood, heifers A; and all the male calves A. — There were in the
 yards 16 heifers A1, 12 A2, 3 A, and 21 steers A. — Sheared 78 Wethers.
 Three have died of the late Wethers since they were brought from their
 run of sheep. — 1 of Hawkshaw's broke its leg yesterday, & was killed for
 rations. — "Inell" this mate have been working for me days. —
 "Duckett" days; his mate "Goodsort" days. —
 Continued the branding &c. of calves, in the Mountain Plain Stockyard; —
 Heifers A2, 17, — A, 9. — Steers 25. — Commenced cutting English ryegrass for
 seed. — Weighed 24 bales of wool, & numbered 33 bales. —
 Branded 640 Hawkshaw's bush-Wethers; A on the off shoulder. — Sent them
 to their runs. — Kelly & Yaylor sheared 31 Wethers, (the last washed & 3 stray sheep.)
 Branded 921 Brigstock's ewes, A offside, (9 missing, 11 having been killed by
 the dogs at the last attack); — the lambs also, Wethers A near hip; & the ewes
 A near hip: — drew out 44 of Hawkshaw's Wethers, & 3 Wethers counted with
 the same flock. — The Bishop, W. Davies, W. Williams & a servant arrived. —
 W. Douglas arrived with 3 wagons & 12 horses. — 20 Wethers to W. Hornum.
 Went with the Bishop & party to the "Sobster Rivulet". — C. Hoyle
 branded 900 Hawkshaw's Mountain Plain Wethers; — and 384, 6-teeth Wethers.
 Started W. Douglas in the morn^g with 24 bales of wool; and 24 bags of
 Oats, weigh^d gross 27.2.15. — W. Davies & W. Williams went to Deloraine. —
 Branded (C.H.) 710, 6-teeth Wethers. — W. Douglas arrived. Weighed up
 the remainder of the bales. — Total gross weight of wool, 13,247 lbs off sheep shown
 3654. — Davies took Lady Weston to W. G. Gibson who did not buy her. —
 Delivered to W. Douglas 10 bales of wool, and 25 bags of oats, 4 bags weight
 564 lbs, & 21 bags weigh^d 2961 lbs, in all ^{cut of lbs} 31. 7. 24. — Rode with the Bishop
 by way of the Yalls to Deloraine; & back with Porter through Knight's
 Corner which is much eaten down by the sheep. — Porter also
 turned back the yearlings cattle on it in the beginning of the week.
 commenced mowing the clover for hay in Rape Park having finished
 yesterday, the ryegrass for seed. — Yaylor started with old stockings
 Thursday, to collect the bills for Rambler's services from parties
 who had availed themselves of them. — C.H. counted Duckett's bricks
 for a small kiln 11,000. — The men Carr & Harman are in the hayfield.
 21st Sunday. —
 22nd went to the hayfield &c. — "Blooding Blackgate Park" —

Yaylor
Rambler
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Calves
Cattle
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6-teeth
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Robin Hood
Rob Roy
Rambler
Lady Weston
Rape Park
Blackgate Park

Rev. Mr
Stackhouse
Exam in
Seith's Creek
Duckett Hunt
with Hayfield
P. Manning
Cornell
Ritely
returns
Quarrelly
Bluff
4 hours
empty
bags from
Deloraine
Kelly's sheep
killed
by dogs

23rd Read Mr Stackhouse & Wife's card. -
24th Examined the dam below the floodgate where the irrigating channel
leaves Seith's Creek: - the gate should be wider. -

25th At the Falls - Mr Stackhouse assembled the men in the evening. -
26th Mr & Mrs Stackhouse left. - Duckett & mate went yesterday to the hay field.

27th Hired P. Fleming this mate board at 12/ 10/- per week for the present. -
28th Sunday. - (H. Riley returned & went to the Falls yesterday) -

29th John Cross came to shoe horses. - Started with C. Stewart and
Wm Bleakley for Quamby's Bluff, which we reached in 6 hours.
After remaining on horse or two went to Green Plain or Jacky's Plain
near which we encamped for the night. - Sent to Deloraine &
brought a keg of M. B. & Co. salt (from J. Brown) and empty
bags from Woolmers, also some papers from my father - 2 of
Kelly's sheep killed the other day by a dog - Salt mate in hay field. -

30th Went across Jacky's Plain to the S., & followed the creek to the river
which it enters about 3 miles above our Sugar-loaf range. - Procured
some young plants of *Phyllocladus asplenifolia* and made for
home by way of the edge of the range. - The 2-year old filly,
dam Nancy, reported dead: - cause of death unknown. -

31st Mr Hankshaw, who was with Kelly examining his sheep, found 2
more sheep dead killed by a dog: - ^{2 hours died of fluxion} ^{was found} ^{met with a large}
hyaena today (among his sheep,) which he attacked with a stick, and
with the assistance of his dog killed: he says he measured 6 feet from
the snout to the tip of the tail; he brought me his head which measured
from the top of the head to the tip of the nose 11 inches. - Porter

today staked "Sir Raymond" in the pasture of the off-hind
leg severely, among some chips; - I have lent him my pony. -
Feb 1st John Cross left yesterday afternoon. - Drew out 20 of the 6-teeth wethers
and sent them to the Falls, to be taken by Kelly to W. W. Bormick in the
morning. - Rode to Westbury 'en route' for Saunceston. -

The 20 wethers were delivered today to W. Bormick. - I reached Saunceston
riding 'Lady Hester' at half past 9 o'clock. - Arranged with Messrs Syll &
Green, and Braunsgrange to come to Chesnut to see the fat stock. -

Saw Mr Weedon concerning "Rambley"; - and it appeared that, after
paying all expenses, there would be a clear profit left of about
£30, not including the interest of the money to be paid for him. - John
Taylor was in town with old "Stockings", so I left Lady Hester for
him to bring on to Chesnut & rode the old horse myself. - Felt
influenza coming on. - Slept at Rutally. Mrs Nixon & children there. - The
Bishop, Mr Davies, Mr Bradbury &c. left for Circular Head. - I could not

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Deans £10-
get that vile little fellow Deans to pay my £10 into the U.B. -
Ordered tandem-leading-harness at Yevleins & Stubbles's.

Feb 4th Started for bleshunt. - Wrote to Mr Weedon, from Westbury, to procure the money owing me by Deans. - Reached home nearly exhausted, at 6 o'clock. - When I went down, I met some of Field's stockriders driving about 30 bulls in addition to the 30, or so, sent up before. I fear we shall suffer. -

4th Sunday. - Unable from sorethroat to read the Morning Service, - or anything in the Evening. -

Oats -
5th Walked through all our oats. I found some very promising patches and some wretched, in Stockyard Park, - and in Mountain Park, - neither so good, nor so bad, with the exception of the crop being very much studded with thistles, (sawthistles) which I remember abounded there about 2 years ago. - Sent C. Edwards to Deloraine for goods; he brought 2 hogheads contain^g Sugar, - & other casks, - 2 chests of St. Ikin Tea, - & some packages from G. H. Campbells. - Sir Raymond's wound is very serious. - I am

Goods from Deloraine
My 3 mares
6th Rode with C. H. Porter to the "East Side": pointed out the line to R. Deakett, - told by Brigstock that my 3 mares are missing from Lower Hill Park into which they had strayed Ayres's carelessness in leaving the panel down.

Saw 3 wild dogs
found that there was scarcely any fencing stuff to be obtained contiguous to it. - In riding towards Field's gathering-park saw 3 dogs, (which proved on examination to be the wild dogs,) making leisurely for Luanby's Bluff: - one was white with some dark spots on his body; - one black on the back with white face, & white sides, belly, & legs; - the remain^g one was black on the back the hair of which was long & glossy, his legs were of a lighter colour, and he had white on the lower part of his face & on the tip of his tail: - We gave rapid chase to this last marauder and turned him several times, but he finally escaped us at a scrub; - Porter's dogs were useless. - Saw Mr Tho^s Field about

W. Y. Field
the bounds of fence; he denied all his promises, & his brother's, on the subject. - He asked if we would rent O'Herrall's grant, and said I sh^d know the rent on Friday. - Searched the bush near Mr Koot's fence &c. for my mares but found no tracks of them.

Counted 6 teeth
Returned home: 6 teeth withers in the yard, counted them into the Bull Park 1069. - Removed the Rams to Bright's Hill. - The men finished the mowing & feeding of the clover hay. - Taylor returned yesterday, - also Davies bringing a mare & foal, I bought of W. Mayne for £15. - Davies to have the foal for £3. Taylor also brought a mare of W. W. Anchin to be put to Rembler.

Bought mare & foal

Feb 4th
Ayres in debt -
Drafted the
6 teeth weather into
3 parts.

7th Preparing for haymaking. - On examining Ayres's account, I found him in debt, to the extent of more than £10. - Yended the 6 teeth weather; drew out of the largest (probably averaging 60 lbs, each) 150, & put them in Bright's Hill: - of the smallest, & those wanting dressing 265 into Whitegate Park; the remainder, even lot, say 654, into Bull Park. - Commenced haymaking in the afternoon. - Porter & Yaylor all day searching for my missing mares. -

Mr Turner
with horses

8th Haymaking all day. - Martin stacking. - Porter & Yaylor returned having heard nothing of my mares. - Rained in the night. - Mr Turner came. -

Sold my filly
to Mr. ...

9th No haymaking: men jobbing. - C. Edwards returned. - Discharged Ayres. - Upper store cleaned out. - Mr Turner, having looked at all the horses some of which (geldings) he thought he should take, left for Saunceston. -

Sent G. Harman

10th By the by, Davies the other day, sold a bay mare, dam 3 yrs old, to W O'Donnell for £16; to pay £6 in cash & give me his bill at 3 mos for the remainder. - Finished shaking out the wet hay (which they commenced yesterday afternoon), and recocked one-third of it. - Discharged Geo: Harman whose work with Coarv amounted to half of 1000 posts & rails & 15 panels of fencing. -

My 3 mares
in Westbury
Dunm.

Sent Davies & Porter after my mares which had been heard of at W Rook's. - They went on to Westbury & found that they had been impounded; that Lyall had got them out, paying 15/-; & as there were damages laid to the amt of 5/- per head, he replevied them, & disputed the charge. - They were brought back safe. - Yaylor left for Saunceston taking my girth-harness

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bridle to Lancelin & Strubs, as a pattern. - Gave him £1 in cash. - Carting hay during part of the afternoon, the strong wind sadly hindering. -

Yaylor & I
driving
11th Sunday.

We have only yet flooded 2 pad^{ks}, viz. Blackgate Park, & Bright's Hill. -

Wild dogs
among Kelly's
sheep.

12th At work in the hayfield. - Kelly's but keeper came in the afternoon to say that the wild dogs were among the sheep, & had killed some; & that Kelly would watch the carcasses all night. - Rode along the N. side of our Sugarloaf; - stony soil. -

Counted
Kelly's
sheep

13th Went to the Yalls. - Kelly had found 2 dead sheep. - I counted the sheep in the yards 1587; there have been 8 killed by wild dogs, & there are 52 missing. -

Beer from
W Rook

Procured a half hogshead of beer from W Rook for the haymakers, they to pay half: the price was £2. -

Dressing
Robin
Wood

14th Brigstock & Harshchaws dressed those of the 6 teeth weather requiring dressing. - Had a ring put through Robin Wood's nose; & chains from it to the tips of his horns. -

15th Finished dressing. - Haymaking. -

The
Mersey

16th Haymaking. - Went to the Mersey with Porter. - Found the plant in Rutaceae (Diosmeae) which I wanted, & also the *Cropterus glandulosa*, in fruit. - We crossed by means of a small tree, which we felled with the

tomorrow.

Finished
Haypart 3

17th Returned from the Mersey in the forenoon. - Finished hayparting. -

Commenced
Reaping
Bullack
O'Donnell
Duckett

18th Sunday. Rev^d W Williams. -
19th A. Smith & John Harrison came. Set them on to reap the oats, together with Carr, Fleming, Bonnell, - Snell, Evans, - in all 7. - Hired Harrison as a bullock driver for 3 mos, on trial. - Sent C. Edwards with his order on to account to Woolmers. - Gave Duckett & Goodport an order on Mr O'Donnell for £6. - Burnt off some rushes in Owen's Park. -

9 of the mil
spine
Wether
acceptance
Saddle
sheep for sale

20th John Davies started with Star & a young mare for sale. - Put Blackley in the stable. - W. J. P. Jones came, with W Williams & W Douglas. - W Parker's overseer took 9 sheep to the Yalls, of those that were missing. - Kelly took 20 6teeth Wethers to W Bonnick. - Sent by Davies an acceptance at 3 mos to Syall, for the amt of his bill up to Jan 1st 1849 and £5. 3. 6 in addition for a Somerset saddle. - in all £30. 16. 9. - Wrote to W Weedon to advertise 500 6teeth Wethers for sale on the 28th inst. -

Cows
across the
Western
Creek
Kelly's
sheep
Wether
sheep

21st Rode across the Western Creek to look at the young cows &c. there, and found 13 of them in fair condition. - Kelly pared the feet of the rams; - he reports the finding of 25 of the missing sheep, and that 3 of them were bitter. -
22nd Rode to the East Side, and saw the young sheep, which are in very fair order, but are losing their leg wool very much: - Wignall reports 1 dead & 2 cranky; besides more than 2 adoz. weak ones. - Carr, Fleming & Bonnell away at Deloraine; the two latter to attend the funeral of W Bonnick's little girl. -

Wild
do
among
W
Parker's
sheep

23rd On my way to the Yalls I met W Parker's overseer who said that the dogs had killed 11 of their sheep last night. - Sent him a bottle of tar. - Kelly lost none. - I moved the 34 Cows & the Bull from Tent Park into Obligate Park to eat off the rushes. - John Davies returned, having sold Star to Sullivan, the tollkeeper at Reiby's Bridge, for £15, which W Reiby is responsible for. - A man named Bonnell came with Fleming. -

Star
sold
Owen
Sale
500
sheep

24th Wrote to my Father about sale of 500 sheep in Larneestown and sundry other matters. - Arranged with W Weedon that, unless he received a counter order from Woolmers, the sheep should be sold on Saturday, the 3rd March. - Enclosed cheques to Mr Dowling for £2. 12. 6, to W. S. Williams, Sailor, for £10. 12. 0, & to W. A. Mayne in payment for mare & foal for £15; the last by Geo: Hampton. -

Cheques to
Dowling
S. Williams
& A. Mayne

Evans
left

25th Sunday. -
26th Settled with James Evans (Snell's mate). - He had sawn with Snell 6406 feet of timber (side & edge measurement) which at 8/ per 100 feet cost £25. 12. 0. According to the bush measurement they have sawn 9833 feet which at 5/ per 100 feet would amount to £24. 11. 6; thus on small timber they gain

Measurement

by adopting the fair side & edge measurement. - Paid Evans £3.16.9.

Mr Douglas's
beard

Mr Douglas's dray arrived with 7 bags of Yelow - 1 hoghead & 2 half
hogheads of rides!, and a box contain^g a side saddle & a parcel of
shirts & books. - Rode to the Yelowny Plain &c. Saw Hawksley

Hawksley's
sheep

sheep on Mount Pⁿ; they are in excellent condⁿ. - The ground
below Yelowny Pⁿ is useless; wet in winter, & covered with a
valueless grass & bushes in summer; - it would pay well, if
drained &c. -

Yelowny
past

Feb 4th
Oats to
Woolmers
b-teth
Sorted them
He.

27th Started Mr Douglas's cart with 20 sacks of Oats weighing gross 2830 lbs.
Yarded the better Wethers from Bull Padk & dressed the diseased sheep. - Drew
out the latter & small sheep, amounting to 114, into Owen's Padk with the 265,
making a total of 379 there - drew 2 into Bright's Hill, making 151 there; and
replaced the remainder 506 in Bull Padk. - There have been 20 sent to
Mr boornick, & 16 killed, up to the time of counting, (today) since Feb 4th.

Mr & Mrs Reibey
Mr & Mrs
But horses

Rode to meet the Rev^d Mr Reibey (from Entally) & his wife, on their way here.
28th Mr Yurner from Sammeston came to see me about horses; and at
length decided upon taking my 2 yrs old Wadgee Baba colt at £20 and
a 2 yrs old Chestnut Rambler colt out of Lofty, at £14; to be forwarded
to Westbury on Saturday. - He came from town & reached Chestnut at about
10 o'clock, AM. - Philip Lynch arrived with letters from Woolmers:
the sheep not to be sold by auction. - Porter reports 2 bulls among
the cows across the Westbreech: I directed him to bring in those
we intended keeping to breed from. -

P. Lynch
Cows at
Westbreech

March 1st
Mr Reibey
bought horses

Mr Reibey looked at the horses, and decided to take the 2 yrs old
chestnut filly, ^{£14} dam, - the yearling bay colt, ^{£12} dam, - and
the yearling black colt, ^{£12} dam violet; - also the 4 yrs old chestnut mare, ^{£16}
dam. - if Dr Kilgour did not have her. - I am to let him
know whether £20 will be taken for Queen Mab; and what will be
the price of Miss Beichardt? - Porter saw a ewe & lamb in their wool
with some cattle outside the dog fence Padk. - I saw them also. -
Tapped the cider today. - Mr & Mrs Reibey left for home. -

Miss Lamb
mutton
cider

Reap^g in
Mount Pⁿ 2nd
Bony's line
on East side

Commenced reaping in Mountain Paddock. - Kind^g the cockatoos & parrots
very destructive, I began war with them & deputed G. H. to carry it on.
Rode to the East side, and with Duckett remarked the marked trees
along the bound^d line between us & Field. - I pointed out to Duckett
the kind of fence to be put up; viz. a cheap brush fence with 12 panels
of post & rail fence dividing each quarter of a mile of it. - He is to do the
post & rail at 1/9 1/2 per rod & says he will do the brush fence at
10 per rod. I offered it to him at 9 per rod. Referred it to Woolmers. -
At the above rates the whole line would cost about £33 for

the kind
of fence
required
and
price

300 W.
to C. Reid
Fencing on
East Side
Prices
of

Mr Williams from Deloraine. - Sold (delivered to M. Whithby) to C. Reid
300 6-teeth wethers at 7/6. - Arranged that Duckett & Smethers sh^d do
the fencing over the river at 10 for brush fencing, & 1/4 for American
log fence; substituted for post & rail, which cannot be obtained; -
6 panels (1 Rod each) to be erected, (of log fence, to every 1/4 of a mile of the
brush fence; - & the two outer panels to have the logs barked; -
9th My brother & Mr W. H. ^{whom by droop up} started for Woolmers. -

3 sheep
at Bramwich's

10th Mr Bramwich's sheep are to be examined today: they are to be removed
from the land adjoining Field's on Monday the 12th inst: Tuthill, the
ruttkeeper for there, tells me there are 3 ofonis among them. -

11th Sunday. -

Searching
for and
2 teeth W.

12th Started Hawksshaw to Kelly's hut, and proceeded with him & Kelly
to the bush lands near the Port Sorell Road to the N.W. of Deloraine
in search of our missing 2-teeth wethers, but although we saw
many tracks &c. of them none were to be found. There are 4
at Thomas's, which were driven there by Mr Parke's Overseas. -
We heard that some of our sheep were as far as the Whiteford
Hills. -

Yours on
East Side
marked out
6-teeth W.
selected
for sale
for Stephens
shepherd

13th Rode to the "East Side" & marked out the line of the new fence
between our lands & the Fields', for Duckett & Co. - Had all the 6-teeth
wethers in the yard. Marked the 150 best with a red dot on the
head: made up those in Bull Pad (183) to 350; which left of the
small lot, to be kept, (182-3) 179, exclusive of 20 selected for Mr Boornick
making in all, with 17 killed since the 27th Feb^r up to today inclusive,
436. - A free man, named Jas Stephens, arrived from Woolmers, to
take Kelly's place at the Yalls. I sent him there with Kelly &
arranged for the latter & Hawksshaw to take the sheep to
Lanneston. -

Sheep to
Lanneston
20 sheep
for sale
Rev J. Reibey
shepherd on the
road at Entally

14th Started the 500 wethers for Lanneston & 20 for Mr Boornick. - Met
them at Deloraine. Delivered the 20 to Mr Boornick. - Rev J. Reibey
rode up with me to look at Queen Mab, & arrange about getting
his horses to Entally. -

15th Mr Reibey to have the 4 y old Chestnut mare with the scars. - Rode
to Entally on the way to Lanneston. Got the sheep a paddock
at Entally. Counted them 498; there were 2 left on the way. -

Sheep at
the sale in
Lanneston

16th Rode to Lanneston: the sheep arrived at Mr Weedon's yards
at 1/2 past 10, when I drafted them into 2 lots, - large & small; -
the larger sheep 170 in number sold for 8/4 per head; and the
remainder at an average of about 7/6 1/2. There were 489 sold: 11 had
been left on the way; 1 with Goukinson at Field's gate, 1 with Rudge at

Carrick, - 6⁶/₁₂ with W Reibey, at Entally, - 1⁵/₁₂ with Pitcher, at the top of
 the hill near Sannerton on the Westbury Road, - 4⁵/₁₂ with Perkinson,
 in the town: he sent his cart on the road for these and helped
 with the sheep through the town. - I paid at Reibey's Bridge
 £1.0.4¹/₂ toll, for the sheep: - I hear that the same amount is
 demanded by the Inspector in Sannerton. - Gave two men
 3/6 for helping to draw the sheep. - Told W Weedon to pay £80
 of the proceeds of the sale to my acct at the U.B. - Rode to Entally
 Davis arrived with the horses bought by W Reibey. - As the
 bay colt was lame still, I arranged with W R. that sh^d be
 be lame in 3 mos time, I wd take him back she sh^d pay
 £14 instead of £12 for the black yearling colt. - Kelly £7. Hawthorn £8.
 W Reibey gave me his bill at 3 mos for £54, the price of the
 4 horses, which I remitted by post, from Deloraine, to Ells. - He did
 not pay me for the sheep. - Saw W Bryan at Carrick, I arranged
 that he sh^d come to the hunt to look at the horses. - While I
 have been away the oats have been carted from Stockyard Park
 and some from Mountⁿ Park. - The expenses incurred in send^g
 the sheep to Sannerton are, say, £1 for the shepherds; - £1.0.4¹/₂ for
 the bridge toll; - the same £1.0.4¹/₂ for the Inspector in town; - W Weedon's
 commission, - - - 5/ for assistance; - my expenses say, 18/ -
 18th Sunday. Rev^d M. Williams here. -

19th Delayed by yesterday's rain in carrying oats. - Went to Deloraine for
 Mrs Lytleton, whom D. O'Donnell drove here in his gig. - W Douglas's
 wagon arrived bringing 29 bags sugar weighing gross ; and
 6 bags of flour weighing gross ; - also 1 box of tannin &c. 1 box of caudles,
 1 box of dishes &c.; 1 box of specimens of plants; & 1 parcel of books and
 4 sheep. - Rec^d the other day 4 sheep (11, 6 teeth in wool) from Braumwich's
 mixed them with our 6-teeth sheep. - W Lytleton came.

20th Arranged that Mr Shackel should have the horse called Sanky for £15, to
 be paid for by his bill at 1 month. - Very rainy weather, preventing the
 getting in of the last of our oats.

21st John Kelly returned from Woolmers: he is to remain on his run at
 £17 per ann. Jas Stephens is to return to Woolmers with the 24 Rams. -
 Started Stephens as far as The Falls with the Rams & Goriek giving him
 a letter to H.A. contain^g the follow^g list of the flocks here viz.

Hornstead	176	Wethers 6-teeth.
Brystock	938	Rams 4-teeth.
	802	Lambs.
Hawkshaw	1569	Wethers 4-teeth.
Kelly	1640	Wethers 2-teeth.
Wignall	1230	Rams 4-teeth.
		included 58 W. 2-teeth.
	<u>6355</u>	Total of sheep.

Sheep
knocked up

all at
Reibey's bridge

W Reibey's
4 horses

My present
payment

W Bryan

Carting
oats

Expense of
sending down
the sheep

Gig from
O'Donnell

Douglas's
wagon

Rec^d 4 sheep
from Braumwich's

Mr Shackel
Sanky

Kelly &
Stephens

The Rams &
Goriek

The Wethers

Measured the quantity of oats reaped here in the Stocky & Mountain Paddocks. - Told the men the price per acre was 6/- & that they must make allowance for bare places &c. - Tried to cross the river, - too high. - Arranged that Fleming & 3 others should thresh out the clover seed, which is now in cob. - Memo: to get in the "cows & steers for sale" into the two stubble paddocks. -

March 22nd Mr Shackle sent for the horse called "Lanky"; and enclosed to me his acceptance at 1 month, payable at Christmas!, for the price, £15. - Rode over the river to the east side and saw the log fence & brush fence erected by Duekett & Co., which was satisfactory. - Found a place for a ford, about 50 yards above the fence between Young Hill & Log fence Padd. - Fleming, Connell, McJibney, & Gupp commenced threshing the clover cob. My brown mare, taken up from grass a few days since, got away from Blackaby, hurt her ^{near} hock & split her off hind hoof: she must be turned out again. - I find we can get about 40 cows & 20 steers for sale; these, at £5 per caput, will fetch £300; - then there are 4 oxen at £8.10.0 will make £34: these two sums added to £300 (the price of the 800 sheep sold) and £200 (the expected price of 600 4 teeth Wethers) amount to the sum of £834; besides about £80 from Mr Boornick for sheep, and £144 for horses; making a total of £1058 for stock since the winter, - in addition to 600 or 700 bushels of oats sent to Woolmers. -

23rd Arranged with the men that considering bare places, patches round trees, &c. I should pay them 3 short of the market price for reaping oats, 6/-, i.e. 5/9 per acre. - Paid off Henry Smith Ld. - Snell is to join Carr in fencing &c. I will draw the split stuff at so much per week. - The quantity of oats reaped is 19.44 acres in Stocky P^d, and 35.37 acres in Mountain Padd. making a total of ^{ac.} 54. ^{rs.} 3. ^{pls.} 10 1/2; which, at 5/9 per acre, will cost about £15.15.0, - in addition to rations for a fortnight, on an average for 8 men, about £4.5.0, in all say £20. - Ghined labourers wd have done the work for about half the price. - Mr O'Donnell spoke to me about Mr T. W. W. 3 yrs old filly; and said he wd give £10 for her. - Porter has 16 steers in Stocky Padd.

24th Mrs Lytleton left, O'Donnell, who drove her up, driving her down to Mr Horn's. I marked out new enclosure for Brigstock's flock, and arranged for Carr, Snell, & Park to do the fencing of it. - The present enclosure is covered so thickly with sheep manure that, now it is wet, the sheep cannot lie down in it. - Told Brigstock to put them in Barn Paddock for the present. - Mr J. Shackle sent a man for the horse called "Lanky", and enclosed his acceptance at 1 mo for the price £15. -

25th Sunday. -
26th Commenced taking up one potatoes. - Had Hawkshaw's shd.

Reaping

March
Clover

March 22nd
Mr Shackle
&
Sawky

Scene on
East side
New
Road

Clover seed
Proprietary
hurd
Cows
steers
for
sale

Income
by sale of
stock from
Christmas

Payment for
reaping oats

Snell & Carr
Quantity of
oats reaped

Price of
hired labourers
Mr W. W.'s filly

O'Donnell
Mrs Lytleton
enclosure for
Brigstock's flock

Mr Shackle
&
Sawky

Potatoes

Shankshams
sheep

in the yard: counted 891, 9 missing. - I can get about 600-700 good sheep, averaging 48 lbs, out of them. - Rode to Mountain PK & drove

20 Wethers
to Woburn

the yearling heifers which had broken in, the panel being left down carelessly. - Sent 20 Wethers to Mr. ^{Free 6 lbs of soap} ~~Boorn~~ ^{Boorn} - Seams

Mr. Douglas
Seams

arrived from Mr. Douglas with 29 bags of flour & 4 of bran, from Washburns. - Examined my cash account and found a balance

Balanced
Cash A/c
Income

against me up to the 1st Jan^y 1849 inclusive of £24.15.1/2; and a further balance up to this day inclusive of £63.1.8/2; making a total against me of £87.16.10. To meet this I have about £80 in the U.B. and there is due to me for the last 3 mos about £40 beside

March 27th

£10 own^d by O'Donnells. -

2 casks from
Deloraine
3 of the best
to the Falls.

Davis started with Miss Seichardt. - Went with C.H. to Huntman's Plain &c. - The men with the flour yesterday brought 2 casks

Jepp takes
Harrison's
place

and 3, 2 teeth Wethers (left at the Falls) from John Thomas's. - engaged Henry Jepps to take the place of John Harrison as bullock-driver, (the latter proving incompetent,) at £15 per ann.

Phileas
boxen
astray

for 3 mos. - Phileas left. -

Potatoes

28th In driving the 6 oxen over the river this morning, they got away (not being yoked) and have disappeared for the present, Porter being unable to find them, though riding 5 or 6 hours. -

New W. Kirby
strong horse

25 bags of potatoes have been taken into the store, weighing on an average 160 lbs, - from part of the little potato-patch. -

Started
for Washburns
Dandens

Davis returned and left Miss Seichardt, taking away Lady Weston, being accompanied by a man of Rev. G. Keeley's, whom he was going to help to take the 3 young horses, bought from me, back to Rutally, they having strayed away up to Mr. Yates's marsh. - Set John Harrison to help thrust the clown. -

30th

Started with the plough-mare "Kit" in my carriage towards Washburns. I left Kit at Deloraine, to be taken back to Chesnut, & went on with O'Donnell's 2 men & tandem to Rutally. -

31st

Drove into town M.W. in W. Kirby's gig. - Found that Mr. Meadow had not paid the £20 for W. Y. owner into the U.B. nor had he forwarded his acceptance on W. Y.'s a/c for the £30. -

Received
by post
a letter
from
D. Milligan

Received by post a letter from D. Milligan enclosing a cheque for £4, being the balance of £5 (note) sent him by mistake for £1. - Drove one of O'Donnell's men on to Washburns. -

Washburns
own seed
Washburns

31st Old Mr. Kestie I should be able to spare about 900 lbs. of clover seed this year; and should be able to send to Washburns & Ashburn of oats next season. - My father intends to send three

Washburns
to Chesnut

Washburns to Chesnut. - Barrett not to have more than

Started for
Cheshunt
Sawyers
since on the
Sabbath
Bill at
Wadsworth

£20 per ann. - Started at about half past 10 o'clock with the
mare in the gig, leaving my carriage to have the spring repaired
and reached Cheshunt at 12 o'clock. Left Cheshunt with the two
mares' tandem at half past 1 o'clock, and arrived at Deloraine
at 4 o'clock. - Started from Deloraine at half past 4, and putted
up at Cheshunt at a quarter past 6 o'clock. - Thus I was only
5 3/4 hours on the roads; or 7 3/4 hours on the journey. - Sold Mrs
G.W.'s 3yr old filly to O'Donnell for £10.10.0, rec'd his receipt
at 1 mo. - My bill for the two horses at the Inn at Wadsworth
amounted to 12/-, which I asked the Rev Mr Kirby to pay
for me. -

Burning
started for
the Mountain
Hawthorn
Kelly
40 Wethers to
McBoonick
300 of sheep
Winters &
Bryan from
Carrick
Barnes and
Stairs for
fattening
Cattle and
Wethers
sold young
chairs
to W.P. for
W.P. for
W.P. for
W.P. for

April 1st Sunday. -
2nd Feb 30th men to burn off the rushes cut up by Borlmain. - Selected
40 Wethers for McBoonick. - Started in the afternoon with G.H. and
Blackaby for the Western Mountains, and walked up the Western
Creek nearly to the summit of the range towards Cummings's Head.
Hawthorn is helping Kelly today to look through his sheep at the
Falls. Phileas wishes to return as butcher to Hawthorn.

3rd Kelly took the 40 Wethers to McBoonick, and brought back 3 lbs
of soap. - Portie busy taking the calves from all the cows. -

4th W Winters & W Bryan from Carrick came to look at the horses
and stayed the night. - Returned from the Mountains, having
been only 3 1/4 hours walking from Cummings's Head house! - The
direction I steered in almost all the way down was N.W.E. -
Portie has now 42 cows in Mountain Pk, for fattening; and
17 steers & 4 oxen in Stocky Pk for the same purpose; in all
63 heads. - There are 15 heads of cattle, cows & heifers, - across
the Western Creek still. - W Bryan & W Winters at Cheshunt. -

5th W Bryan is to have Young Fancy for £25 with her filly foal. - I
offered him Queen Mab for £20. - Settled with John Frost and paid
him 6.7.9 in full to today. - W Bloom, per Agincourt, at £12, from
Nov 17: 48, for 12 mas, - and George Weller, per Wm Gardiner, at £. from
March 13: 49, for 12 mas, arrived from Wadsworth, to remain. -

6th The men finished threshing to the clover to day; and have turned
into the store about 1100 lbs of seed: - they have been 14 days
at it. - Making up the accounts of stocks at Cheshunt. - Rode
the old bay mare. -

7th Moved one of the round stacks of oats, which was beginning
to heat, into the barn; sawnaged for Fleming Connel & Wight
to thresh them. - Davies started with W Wm Ankin's mare

Moved
stack
Faint with
to the
to

Woolmers
Lilly to O Donnell
Paid harness
Buck 23 for my
Break harness
Syall's harness
Kelly's sheep
Saddle

Woolmers
Hired horses

Woolmers
W. J. Forest
W. Thompson

Woolmers
W. J. Forest
W. Thompson

Woolmers
Pig
Quail

Woolmers
Finished
round stacks
of oats
& burnt
oats into
barren

Woolmers
Hired
drunk

Woolmers
Ploughing
Seamus

Woolmers
Ploughing
Seamus

The little mare bought by O'Donnell, from Mrs. G. — Paid him £10 in full. — Free £3 for Jessie's foal from him. — He is to have the break for £10 & the harness for £4; and Bassett is to put a new pole & fetch to the break for him. — He took Syall's Somerset saddle on the little mare. — Kelly came and said he only found 1604 of his sheep: & that 22 have been killed by the dog. —

April 8th Sunday.

9th Started with Kitt in the gig for Woolmers: — Left Kitt at Deloraine took on O'Donnell's Rambler mare to Carrieth: sent her back by Davies took on "Yaff" Rudge's horse to Woolmers.

10th Transacted various matters with my father. Examined Cider press. Wood press. & Pump

11th Started with Yaff in the carriage, in which were Mr. W. A. P., & C. V. F. & C. V. for Rutally, & stayed the night. — Paid W. Burton £5.8.6 for Violet Thompson, being the balance due to her, — & £3.1.6 for Mrs. Burton. —

12th Went to Lannerton to see Mr. Weedon on business, but missed him. Purchased a tandem whip (£1.10) at Yeachin & Stubbs. — Rode Yaff. — Saw W. J. Forest at Rutally, & sent him to Longford, to be hired for and sent to Cheshunt. — Proceeded to Morton & stayed the night. —

13th All day at Morton. Rev. James H. Ribbey's property. — He gave me a handsome saw, — young & fat. — Went out quail shooting and killed 4 1/2 brace, miss'd 4 shots from the number of trees & on the ground.

14th Started with Yaff, ^{and} reached Deloraine at 4 o'clock having stayed the night at Westbury (Syall's). — O'Donnell engages to forward Yaff to Carrieth on Monday. — Found Kitt at Deloraine, & starting with her at 1/4 past 4, reached Cheshunt at 6 o'clock, having been altogether 7 hours on the roads. — Found that the threshers had finished the stack of oats moved into the barn; & that the burn of rushes in Bull Park was also at an end. — The two remaining round stacks of oats were got into the barn today. — Obtained two parcels, from Thomas's. Mr. Humphreys told me that George the groaner hired for Cheshunt, had been taken to the watchhouse so drunk he could not walk. I told him to send him to Westbury & tell Mr. Jones that he would not be required again. —

15th Sunday. Rev. W. Williams did not come. —

16th Commenced ploughing in Stockyard Park with three teams. — H. Symons with Kitt and Jewel, — Jos. Martin with Bounce and Flown, & Hornbloom with Bligh and Squirrel. — Fleming & Co. finished the ^{snow-burnt} oats from the heated stacks, and turned

oats into the store 33 bushels. — Set on Whigney to ^{use} the grass seed; and Fleming & Co. settled with Fleming & Bunnell discharged them. — Settled with Jos. & Bunnell left.

April 23rd A beautiful morning, followed by a very wet afternoon. Turned "jack" into Barn Park with my horses. - Davies returned bringing a letter from Woolmers; and told me that he had delivered the 3yr old Rambler colt to Dr Kilgour, who was very well pleased with him. - I paid him £1 for taking down the colt, £1 for Blackaby and 10/- rec^d from W Davies of Brickendon. - Messrs Syall & Green, butchers from Sarnumston, arrived in the evening. - Walked through the paddocks to see the men at work, and inspect the fat cattle & sheep, which appear to be doing well. - Some of the lambs from Mount Plain had joined the wethers in Stocky & Padk. - W. Gibney commenced sowing the grass seed for a finish. - Porter turned outside the log fence the three day 65 cows. -

Jack turned out.
3 yr old colt to Dr K.
Paid Davies £2.10.0

W. Gibney sowing grass seed
Cattle turned outside log fence
Hyena

24th Huntshaw brought me a hyena's skin. - Rode with Messrs Syall & Green to look at the fat cattle and finally sold them 20 cows & 16 steers at £4 per head, with 4 oxen at £5.5.0 per head, i.e. 40 heads of cattle for £165. - They are to be taken in four lots, of 4 steers 1 ox & 5 cows each, and to be delivered at Syall's Inn Westbury to their drovers, who are to bring me a bank receipt for the price, £41.5.0, of each lot: - the 4 lots are to be taken 6 weeks, & the first lot to go from here on Tuesday the 8th May proximo. -

Sold 40 head of cattle to Messrs Syall & Green

50w. tuborn with
Horn sheep remain

Sent 50 wethers ^{7/6} to W. B. Ormish; leaving, after Porter had killed 4 for the Establish^t, 30 sheep, includ^d those from Bremwich. -

Quail
a Buck

25th Walked through the grass paddocks about Stocky & Padk. took my gun and shot, over Sessie, 5 brace of brown quail, bagging 4 1/2 brace. - The ploughmen saw a buck in the Stocky & Padk near where they were ploughing; it stood a short time, then sprang over the two fences of the lane, and made across Tent Padk till out of sight: - it probably came from Circular Head. -

After 2-tute lost wethers

26th Started with Porter to search after some of the lost 2-tute wethers, near Deloraine. After hunting about some time I discovered 10, in two mobs of 6 & 4: - the 6 made off, Porter after them; and he succeeded in driving them to clear ground, when they divided and got away into the scrub. I tried to get the 4 with Sessie, who gave chase to them and brought one of them after a long run through the underwood, (the other 3 having separated,) round to me; but he managed to escape. W. Parker's Anson, W. Eastley, & Mr Dry's Anson, W. Morris, now joined us and we captured 4, which we carried on our horses nearly a mile & half to a small paddock adjoining W. Dry's land, and then returned to the bush for more. Only 1 more was captured by W. Morris; and when we had joined the 5 together, we drove them with some trouble till they joined W. Dry's store sheep, where there are 5 others of ours. We were out about 8 hours on horseback. - Mr Whiteley & Isaac arrived

10 at Mr Dry's
Whiteley

for sheep for Mr Charles Reid. - Mr Symons went to Deloraine to hire a horse for himself to go to Woolmers &c.

3000 w. to Mrs. Reid
80 to Mountain Plain
Cattle

April 24th Sold to Mr Reid, per Whitely, 300 of Hawkshaw's Wethers at 6/8 per head, and delivered them to him; sending 80 to Mountain Plain again.

These 380 were in Mountain Pk. - I shewed Whitely the cars bought by Mess^{rs} Green & Syall, and arranged to let Mr Reid know concerning 10 others, as soon as they were got in again. - The sheep had fallen off very much in condition, ow^d to the severe frosts & sharp winds.

Rode into Lagfence Park, to look at the low ground with a view to drainage. Brigstock intends undertaking the job: I told him I should make him a present for his work: he has already done more than a quarter of a mile of ditching & ditchcleaning. - Henry

Symons & wife started for Woolmers. - Paid Brigstock £9.18.6 & gave Symons £11.0.0. - Mr Douglas's wagon arrived bringing flour &c.

28th Sent away to Woolmers by Mr Douglas's wagon the following goods viz: 10 Cwt 1 qr 8 lbs, Mallow, in 2 casks & 3 boxes, gross; - 6 Cwt 2 qr 11 lbs, Potatoes in 5 sacks, gross; - 7 Cwt 1 qr 13 lbs, Clover seed, in 5 bags, gross; - 1 Cwt 1 qr 19 lbs, Woal, in 1 woolpack, gross; 25 empty sacks; & 34 sheepskins, 7 pieces; - I used an old arvail in weight the articles; it's weight is 2 Cwt 2 lbs. -

29th Sunday. -

30th Busy making out Farm accounts, &c. -

May 1st Rode over to the "East Side" and pointed out to Duckett the extent to which the bush fence was to be carried. - Making out accounts. -

2nd Drafted Mess^{rs} Syall's & Green's cattle; and selected a lot of 10/4 Steers, 1 ox, & 5 cows, to go the first time. - Started for Woolmers & reached Moreton. -

3rd Arrived at Woolmers. Rode to "13 Mile Plain" and back, and saw my Brother at Fairfield. - Delivered to my Father a return of all the stock at Cheshunt; an account of the receipts & expenditure of cash; & an approximate out of Jobbers' works; - together with Robertsons, Cookitt's & Syall's out of Cheshunt. - Hawkshaw killed another hyena. -

4th Inspected the new woolpress, and found it tolerably correct: - also the cider-mill. - Rode to Lameston: paid in Mr R. B. Bryans & Mr Bonke's cheques amount^s to £39, which left me a debtor to the U.B. of £3 or £4.

Found that Dean had paid his debt to myself & my Father to Mr Hedon, which Mr W. (a son ordinaire) had not informed me. - Rode to Entally. -

5th Went to Sillwood with Archdeacon Mawcatt, & shot with him during the forenoon, at quail, finding very few. - Proceeded to Cheshunt at 2 o'clock arriving there at 1/2 past 5. - Heard of Jos^{ph} Martin's being seen at the red gate, on the road, to Deloraine, constantly; & directed Mr Humphreys D.C. to apprehend him, next time. -

Drumby by Brigstock

Symons to Mr Douglas's wagon

Goods to Woolmers

Weight of old arvail

Ball's sheep Cattle

Woolmers gave money returns to my Father

Hyena

Lameston Union Bank

Dean paid his debt

Quail

Jos Martin

May 6th - Sunday -

Number of calves 7th - Drafted out from the herd of calves the steers, in number 44; threw back 2 into the lot of 61 heifer calves, which (in all 63) were put into White-gate Park. Porter & I drove the 42 steer calves into Back Marsh run, on to the hills. - There are 6 calves besides with the milch cows, & about 10 or 11 chance-got ones besides; so that, in all, there are about 121 or 122 calves. - Sent Philip Sympson to Woolmers with his af. - his time will not expire till tomorrow, but he persisted that it did today. - I am glad to get rid of him. -

Ploughs in Double-gate PK commenced marking out the lands in Double-gate PK for ploughing. Rode to Deloraine with Porter, driving 10 head of cattle (first draft of 1 ox, 4 steers, & 5 cows) for Syall & Green: they took the river close to Deloraine bridge; nevertheless we had very little trouble in getting them through the township. - I spent the afternoon in fishing catching fly & gentle for bait. / 15 nice fish in 2 hours. - *Porter took them to Westbury. -

9th Saw Kelly treckoned up with him the missing & found 2-teeth Wether from Woolmers Mus -

1661	* deliv ^d to him on his run. -
58	with Wignall's block. -
1	to Woomick from here. -
1	left at Mr North's coming up. -
1	" " Syall's " " -
1	found dead near Deloraine. -
1	" " " Red-gate. -
1	" " " on the road. -
10	at Ball's Plains. - } heard of. -
2	" W. J. Aubrey's. - }
1737	seen near Middle Plains but Mr Martin's. -
1749	not heard of. -
56	short of reported number. -
1800	Total said to have started from Woolmers. -

Act of the 2-teeth Wethers from Woolmers. -

Wignall cut his hands.

Jewel hunt her heel. Altering our sitting room.

Poultry yard. Kelly's sheep. Hygeena 10th.

Ploughing 3 horse teams.

* Including 13 taken to the run from Middle Plains yesterday by Mr Eastley. Robert Wignall came over, having cut his hand severely at the angle between thumb & forefinger, dividing a vein which bled profusely; - I bound up his hand & stopped the hemorrhage: he fainted for some minutes, and, being restored, I sent him on "Pigeon", with Blackaby, to Deloraine, to see "Dr" Elwyer S.S. - Jewel the grey mare hurt her heel at plough today; Softy supplies her place. - Took down the mantlepiece in our sitting room, whitewashed the ceiling, took up & beat the carpet, & prepared for papering the walls. - Carr & Snell are putting up the posts & rails of Poultry yard for me. - Kelly reported 3 of his sheep dead. - Porter returned her safely deliv^d the cattle. - Hankshaw brought another hygeena skin. - memo. to get in lip (instead of keeping Softy ploughing) tomorrow. - 11th Shifted Syall & Green's cattle 20 into Mountain PK, & 10 into Bright's Hill. - Rode through paddocks; they do not get very deep with the 3 horse teams in Double-gate PK. - commenced papering the

		no	Dogs at Chestnut for which the tax has been paid.	Descriptions	Breed	
			Sex	Age		
herd of four calves	W.S.B.	1	Male	1	White with sandy patches	Pyrenean Wolf dog
		1	"	+	Black White on face	
2 steers with	H. Symons C.P.	1	Female	6	Black White ^{high up on head}	Sheep dog
		1	"	6	White with black patches	Spaniel
three a af: - his	W. Porter	1	"	3 1/2	Reddish yellow	Cattle dog
		1	Male	2	Sandy yellow, short tail	" "
today: - out U	J. Brizstock	1	"	3 1/2	Black - tan mizzle ^{hat}	" "
		1	"	1	Reddish yellow	Mongrel
with P s) for 2	F. Kelly	1	"	w	Black	Sheep dog
		1	Female	1	" long hair	" "
could be township	H. Hancock	1	Male	1	Reddish yellow	Mongrel
		1	Male	2	Black & tan ^{white markings}	Sheep dog
for bait / 15 nice fish in 2 hours.	P. Wignall	1	Male	1 1/2	Black	" "
		2	"	2 1/2	"	Mongrel
ed up with him the missing 4 found 2 - teeth with	J. Barrett	15	"	w	Black tan marks	Terrier
		1	"	1	"	"

Will
May 12 1889.

for bait / 15 nice fish in 2 hours. - *Porter took them
 to Westbury.
 ed up with him the missing 4 found 2 - teeth with
 - 1661* deliv'd to him on his run -
 58 with Wignall's black.

Sitting Room.

May 12th Papering Sitting Room. Wrote to W Weedon about my account with him, & Rambler's matter. - Sent to W R. T. Davies, Police clerk Westbury a list of the taxable dogs at Chestnut. viz. W.B. 2 - H. Symons 1, - W. Porter 4, - J. Brigstock 3, - J. Kelly 1, - John Hancock 2, - R. Wignall 2, - John Barrett 1, - in all 16, and forwarded a cheque for the amt of tax £2.2.6. -

Postage number days

13th Sunday.

Mr. W. Winter Balls Plains

14th Rev^d W. Williams came with W. J. Winter (late of Illerslie) his brother. W. Winter wanted to purchase working oxen: I told him I had none to spare. He is living as tenant at Balls Plains, W. R. Dry's farm, near Deloraine. - Rode through Town Hill to look after Brigstock's (who has not yet returned, having started for Lanneston last Monday) flock. - Finishing papering room.

New enclosure for sheep on E. side. Wignall away. Muddy creek. Much fence.

15th Rode to the East Side to look after the sheep in charge of Wignall (who started yesterday morning for Longford, to be back on Wednesday or Thursday). Selected a place by his hut, for a new enclosure for sheep. - Inspected the brush fence, & examined the ground across the creek, which the fences will reach on Friday next. - Directed them to put up the new enclosure. Brigstock returned.

Mr. Shakkal 1/6 from Thomas

16th Rode to Deloraine to see Mr Shakkal about the payment of his acceptances for £15: he promised to send the money tomorrow. - Borrowed 1/6 of Thomas. - Brought back letters & papers.

Mr. Scott

17th Mr Scott the Surveyor arrived. He showed me his letter of instructions from the Survey Office to survey the S. boundary line of the grant to Boyce, now Hills, and the river boundary of Woods grant from Hills as low down as Mr Foster's S. fence. - He marked his results on my chart of the property.

Mr. Wigan & W. A. Wigan of Wesley Dale came. A. Reilly came to let me know that Kelly had seen a strange dog on his run, & had found 4 sheep severely bitten. - Mr Weedon has paid in Mr Yurnis's £20 to the U.S. and

18th Sent Porter to Kelly's run. Rode to Eastern Side ^{hut} to mark out a new enclosure for Wignall's sheep, but found nobody there. - Wignall had not returned. - Enclosed cheques for payment of bills to, Dawling, Brooks Weedon, Campbell, Hunt, Chick, & Dadey: - Porter found no dead sheep, nor any dog.

Wignall Payment of Balls

19th Wignall returned this morning. - Sent Blackaby to Deloraine in the spring cart; he brought from there goods from Corbett's & B. N. Campbells. Directed Blackaby about Wignall's enclosure.

Plough shares

20th Sunday. Rev^d M. Williams came. -
21st Rode to Bentley, and to John Foster's place, to tell him to come as early as possible, to repair ploughshares & make new ones &c.; for notwithstanding all I said about them, duplicate shares are not provided for the ploughs.

Manufacturers
2 flanks
May 22nd
Rambler
sold &
sent away

which are now at work. - I tried also to obtain a maid servant to take the place of V. T. but was unable to succeed. - Saw all ^{which are looking very well.} Hunt's sheep
David Richardson, the jockey, came this morning to take away "Rambler", who had been sold at Woolmeers to a W B Basingthwaite, for £47 !!! I delivered him, with his roller & clothing, to Richardson; & sent Blackaby to lead him to Deloraine. - It is W B's intention to take him over to Port Philip, & run him at the Melbourne races. - Rode to the East Side hut, and marked out a fresh enclosure for the sheep, to be fenced by Duckett & Co. - I did not fix the price, which will depend on the clearing required. - Walked into the Obligate paddock to see the ploughing & grubbing; and also to examine the state of the back grass-paddocks: they require draining deeply, or thorough under-draining, (or "songling") to make them properly productive: if this were done each acre would double its produce, I feel certain. - The Blackgate Paddock requires attending to, on the S. & W. sides. - I hope, si datur mihi vitam, to experimentalize a little on this splendid land, of which the soil is extremely rich, but supersaturated with moisture, and thereby rendered cold & unproductive, comparatively speaking. -

Enclosure at the East Side hut.
Draining of paddocks
Improvement of land
manufacture

Char West 23rd
(Duckett's mate)
the log and brush fence.

Made up the out of Char West, who is with Duckett, & discharged him. - Also paid John Clark, another of his mates, £2.1.0 in full. - Duckett & Co have put up a good fence, both of flag & brush; and will make wages out of the job, of about £16 or £17 per annum, each man. -

Violent storm of wind

24th During the past night there has been blowing quite a hurricane of wind, which has abated scarcely a jot today. - The trees around presented a very wretched appearance; most of the finest specimens being entirely destroyed and the others generally with dislocated & scattered branches, or half dead & of leaves: wherever the eye turns the effects of the storm are visible; and in the house they were felt, for we almost needed our great-coats, shawls & head gear to keep us warm; and the chimneys by their too palpable vibrations menaced us with an invasion of bricks. - By means of props, however, if we did not prevent their downfall, we in some measure assured ourselves of safety, and were enabled to draw near the hearth without the sense of imminent danger. - The fences have suffered in many places, either from the force of the wind, or from fallen trees; but I have not learnt that any of the sheep or other stock have been killed. - By a moderate calculation, 20000 trees must have fallen on our property, besides innumerable limbs. - The appearance of the place is altered much for the worse, considering that most of our favourite trees are mutilated or destroyed. - The Queen's birthday

May 25th - Rode to the Eastth Side to see the effects of the storm there; and found fewer trees down in comparison than on this side of the river: the new fence had only suffered in one place; and the sheep, having been bedded in a honeysuckle scrub, escaped the death which would probably have been the doom of some of them from the falling of a large branch into their yard. - Picked some seed of the *Yeloea truncata* quite ripe. - Killed a single sheep across the Irizabingh hand, near the river. - Killed the last of the sheep belonging to, and joined with Braddick's Wethers; thus leaving me all my sheep in a clean state. - Mrs Thompson, in consequence of a letter I had written to her, detailing her daughter's (Violet's) wicked conduct, as exhibited in the constant telling of falsehoods, & taking of apples not belong^g to her, came to day, & removed her other sister Agnes: I paid Mrs T. £2.12.6 for the girls in full. I had told Mrs Thompson that I could not keep her daughter.

Eastern Side

Yeloea truncata in seeds

Last of the diseased sheep

Mrs Thompson's daughter

26th Rode along the W. fence of Mount Plain and made good temporarily; about 10 or 12 panels of fence, broken by the trees during the late storm. Proceeded along log fence, and found that about 2 or 3 days work of two men w^old be required in repairing the damage. - Took my gun in the afternoon I was unsuccessful after quail. -

Broken fence

Quail

27th Sunday. -

28th David Taylor, the carpenter, was here for a job: could not give him one. The cattle belong^g to Syall Hyren in Mount Park, number 20, are doing fairly: those selected for 2nd draft [10] are falling off in Bright's Hill. Killed a cow, today; the first for some months. -

David Taylor

Syall Hyren's cattle

29th Rode to Carrick on my way to Swainston, stopping for the night at Rudge's.

Swainston

30th Hired a horse (Mrs Rudge) and rode to Rutally to breakfast. Saw Mr J^r Reibey who told me that, if the parents were agreeable, we could have a girl at present in his employ^{ment}, to take the place of V.M. - Rode on to town; and, having transacted my business, returned to Carrick, remaining at W.R. B. Bryan's for the night. - I also arranged with Rev^d G. Reibey, to take with me a doz of brandy from Swainston Pott & Co; and I paid him 25/- as my share of the price. Rev^d gave him £1.4.0, being (with 12/- paid to W. Poole on my part) the price of 6 sheep left with him, at the time of the sheepsale in town. -

Hired horse

Swainston

W.R. B. Bryan's

Brandy

31st Found that a young pointer dog had been sent for me to Rudge's by some party or parties unknown. I arranged that he and the pig sh^d be sent up together. - Rec^d a note from Mrs J. R. to say that the girl above named was wanted at home; so that we cannot

Pointer

Pig

Girl

Janman's daughter have her. I wrote to her, to ask her to enquire if the little girl, Janman's daughter, could come; and to let me know. — Rec^d from Wblegg of the Mill at Berrinck, one of young Burke's £1. —

Returned to Chesham. — Gave my gold watch to J. Reibey, for Barclay to exchange. June 1st Rainy weather. Received a note from Mr Foote to the effect that he would join in employing John Edwards to capture or destroy the wild dog or dogs: — offering (with an eye to business) to supply him with rations. —

2nd Sent Blackaby with the spring-cart to Deloraine: he brought back a bale cont^d 6 p^{rs} of blankets, also a parcel from Jas Robertson: sundries from Wboornick; — and a pig, (which was presented to me by the Rev^d J. H. Reibey of Moreton); — also a parcel of books from W. R. C. Jones. Rode to the Yalls to tell Kelly about getting his sheep in on Thursday next: — came back through the river side of the run. The low grounds are becoming very wet: Kelly has found some few scabby sheep: — some from W. Foote's. —

3rd Sunday. 4th Rode to look at the sheep in Stocky Padk &c and found that they had got out. The oats are showing green. — The ox & some of the cows, selected to go by the next draft to Mess^{rs} Syall & Green, are looking very poor; gave Porter orders to change them for others. —

5th Started Porter with 1 ox, 4 steers & 5 cows for Mess^{rs} Syall & Green. Blackaby going with him through Deloraine. —

6th Barrett finished the fowlhouse yard, and I secured most of the fowls, & cut their right wings. — Blistard Pigeon's pasterns. —

7th Shifted the young horses from Bright's Hill ^{with from Bligate pk} into the Flat; & those from Blackgate Padk (excepting 1) into Bright's Hill; — those from the Flat into Bee Padk. Dickett, Brownsort, Clerk & Gupp came from the East^m side, having finished the new enclosure for Mignell's sheep. — They have been about 13 work^d days at it. —

Made up Barrett's account, and sent it by him to Washers.

8th Rode across the river looked out a place for a footbridge across to our land above the bound^d & fence. Brigstock has moved the mares & foals into Lower Hill; he says they besieged him at night. — I found him ditching in Sag fence Padk. — Set Dickett & Co to repair the fences broken down by the storm. — Pruning. —

9th Pruning. Rode to the Pine bank; saw no tracks of Kelly's sheep. I hear that he & Hawshaw had them in the yard & dr^d those diseased, notwithstanding the threatening and

Janman's daughter
Wblegg £1.
Watch

John Edwards

Goods from Deloraine
Pig

Kelly's run

Sheep not in Padk
ox & some of Syall's

Porter with 10 cattle for Syall & Green
Fowlhouse

Young horses
Dickett & Co
Barrett

Foot-bridge
Mares & foals
Brigstock
Dickett & Co
Pruning
Kelly's sheep

wet weather. - He should have let me know. -

June 10th Sunday.

Repair
distances
road
Indigenous
Plants

11th - Set 3 men to work clear³ up the ruins caused by the storm in the shape of dead & other branches &c. and repairing the entrance road from Tower Hill. - Went with G.H. & Blackaby to the river taking a horse cart, and procured plants of indigenous shrub trees. - Planted them in the garden. -

Hawkshaw's
flock from
Mount
Kelly's sheep
number
selected

12th Walked to Doublegate Park to direct concerning the drainage. Hawkshaw collected his sheep from Mount Plain & brought in, by his count, 1384, making 7 short, without including the 5 'short' before. Put them in Bull Park, to be drafted into lots tomorrow. - Hawkshaw tells me that he counted of Kelly's flock 1590 (46 short) and found about 12 with knots of scab; one in a bad state, which he "milled". -


Briestock's
flock
Hawkshaw's
sheep from
Mount
Plain

13th Yarded Briestock's flock & counted 930 & 14 w. lamb. - The ewes are looking for the most part very thin. - Yarded the sheep from Mountain Plain & selected 217 ewes in good order & 2 very poor; these were put into Bull Park with the 8 ewes from Wignall. - Drew out the ~~ewes~~ ^{ewes} lambs, numbering 435, to be mixed with Briestock's ewes, increasing the number of his flock to 1366 (930 ^{1 dead} ewes & 436 lambs). - Sent ^{to Mountain Plain} the remainder 736 (i.e.

Lamb
divided
Barnabas
Brown

374 ewes & 362 lambs). - There was 1 of Kelly's with Hawkshaw's sheep. - Kelly who came today told me that he ~~had~~ ^{had} ~~seen~~ ^{seen} ~~some~~ ^{some} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~same~~ ^{same} ~~kind~~ ^{kind} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~sheep~~ ^{sheep} ~~as~~ ^{as} ~~he~~ ^{he} ~~had~~ ^{had} ~~seen~~ ^{seen} ~~before~~ ^{before}. - Barnabas Brown, carpenter, arrived from Washburn bringing 3 letters. - He is hired at £15 per ann. for 1 year, to go away in a month, should he not suit. - Barrett returned for a "charuto" which ~~which~~ I gave him. -

Mile
Drain

14th Rode along the Mile Drain in Bull Marsh, and decided to put up a small brush fence by the edge, thus  to prevent the sheep cropping. -

Plants

15th Took Blackaby with the horse cart, as on the 11th, and procured up the river, some indigenous plants; & specimens of the fossils from the bed of the stream, East bank. -

Shingles
Quail

16th Sent Sims to Deloraine to see "Dr" Elwyn, who gave him pills & powders & charged him 8/6 for them. - Wrote to Shuckel who has not yet paid his acceptance; he replied, that he wd pay me as soon as he got the money. -

17th Sunday. Rev^d W. Williams was prevented from coming. -

18th Anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo. - Arranged for Duckett, Clark & Brownson to split about 10000 shingles. - Rode to shot & brace of quail over Lassic. -

June 19th Rode to Deloraine, helping Porter down with 1 ox, 4 steers & 5 cows for Syll & Green. - Arranged to let McBurnick have 50 more sheep; wrote to Mr Bonner to offer him 150 sheep & some cattle. - Came home through Ball's Plains & by the Yalls. Left word for Kelly to meet Porter at Deloraine tomorrow to help him to get into Thomas's yard & sheep which I saw of one's on Mr Foster's Marsh. - Arranged with Dick Kett & Co who had just felled a tree for shingles, to make a light stake & brush fence along the E. side of Mile Drain. - J.A.P. drove up Rev'd A. Starkhouse in a gig tandem. -

10 cattle for Syll & Green
McBurnick
8 milking steers
Duckett & Co
to put up small brush fence of posts & rails
J.A.P. & Rev'd A.S.
Hawthorn's 20th West End flock

20th Inspected & counted Hawthorn's West End flock: they were in fair bush condition: I counted 630 & there have been 3 dead, & 1 is left on the run giddy: - Thus showing a deficiency of 6 since branding, besides the dead sheep. - Drew out 2 poor sheep & put them into Bull Padk with the Wethers for sale. - My Brother tells me that they have had 2 men fencing at Woolmers at 7 1/2 per rod for putting up & 3 1/2 for boxing & matting: - in all 11 per rods; - and they made, after paying for rations, about £1 each per hebdow: - They are to put up the next fence at 5 1/2 per rod. - I exchanged my old bay mare, now quite off her fore legs, for a little Petu fin mare rising 7 years old, (which he drove up as leader in the tandem,) and £2. - He gave me £1.10.0 & a collar to fit the little mare. -

Securing cheaply at Woolmers Bay mare exchanged

21st I sent down Blewaby with the old bay mare, harness, to Deloraine early; and our visitors left at about 8 o'clock. Porter returned yesterday afternoon from Westbury bringing a Bank Receipt for £41.5.0. - He told me that old Kelly was unfit to go after the sheep; (drunk I suppose) -

Kelly's misconduct. Ann Wakeham came

22nd I wrote several letters: in one to my Father I offered to rent Chestnut at £1000 per annum, leaving upon it at the end of my term of lease the same number of all kinds of stock as at present, excepting horses. The probable income wd be Wool £800 - Sheep £450 - Cattle £250 - oats £100, say £1600, of which £400 would go in expenses for labour: it would barely pay me but would constitute independence. - I gave J.A.P. yesterday a cheque for £10.10.0 being the price given by O'Donnell for Mrs G. W. Anhuis 3 yrs old filly. -

Offer to rent Chestnut Income

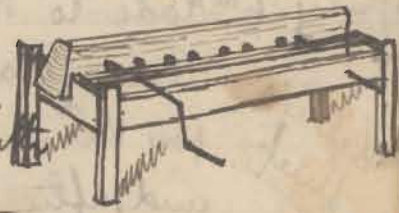
Paid J.A.P. for Mrs G. W. Anhuis £10.10.0

23rd Rode to the Mile Drain: the mace are progressing satisfactorily. - Reprimed Kelly sharply for his misconduct. - Rode my new hawk & determined to get rid of her. - Carr & Snell are half-way along the S. ^{side} of Barn Padk with the new fence. Snell was

Mile drain Barn Padk new fence

Boring benches

boring posts with a machine that might be called a boring bench. With it he had bored 33 posts today & had also mortised them: by the old plan he wd have finished about 22, or two thirds of that number, in the same time:— The posts are laid on a bench & wedged steady; they are then bored with an auger, to which a wheel is attached, in the same motion as the turning of a grindstone.



June 24th Sunday.

Mr Bonner's Cattle

25th Heavy rain. Two men from Mr Bonner, the butcher, of Sammerton came to look at sheep & cattle. I sold them 12 out of those in Bull Padk at £3.15.0 per head, being about 2 per lb. and offered them the sheep at 8/- per head:— they did not decide about the latter. The cattle are to be taken away on Tuesday week the 3rd July.

Rain

26th to 30th Heavy rain, with little intermission. Unable to get my letters from Deloraine owing to the Meander & Western Creek both being high. On the 28th the water overflowed the banks of Seith's Creek and, filling all the ditches, ran over the English-grass paddocks converting the greater part of them into lakes:— one third of the Bull Padk was covered with running water. I calculated that there could not have been less than 200,000 gallons per minute running down the creek and drains within half a mile of the cottage;— yet the Meander has scarcely been over its banks. Had the men shearing sheepskins during part of the time.

July 1st Sunday.

Water high in Meander

2nd Owing to the height of the river, & Western Creek Mr Bonner's men could not get to Cheshunt.

3rd Rodent the Kalls & found that the butcher's men had been there but was afraid to crop. But little had been done at the brush fence during the week, owing to the rain. In the afternoon however Blankaby, who had gone for my letters, returned with the man, & Dr Richardson from Hagley. Mr Bonner sent over a cheque for £47.10.0 being the price of 12 heifers & 1 old cow, (Cherry).

Mr Bonner

4th Started the 13 head of cattle for Mr Bonner, & the 10 belonging to Messrs Syell & Green, part of which had become much poorer.

Messrs Syell & Green

Agreed to let Mr Bonner have 100 out of 150 sheep at 8/- per head to be paid for by a bill at 1 month from the time of taking them away. Dr Richardson left, after an attempt to buy 2 ewes & a foal. Paid Mr Humphreys 14/8 for postage.

Mr Bonner's Sheep

5th Shifted the store heifers from Bull Padk to Lower Hill after selecting 25 for Mr Bonner. Brigstock helping Kelly, to collect

Dr Richardson's foal

Cattle sent away since May 1st
his sheep. - Porter returned bringing my letters & papers. - I have now sent away 52 head of cattle since the 1st of May; viz 5 oxen 15 rising 4 yr old steers & 33 cows & heifers. -

July 6th Rode to the Falls and over the Song Hill, but saw no sheep. - Kelly's sheep
Kelly and Brigstock were out on the run. - I left word for them to get all the sheep from the Gathering Padk tomorrow and, after draping those requiring it, to put them back again. -

Brush fence
Porter's expenses with cattle
Rattudew's mare
Finished brush fence
Kelly's sheep
Jupp tells me that the bullocks will be unable to cross the boggy ground at the upper end of Mile Drain, so that no fence can be placed there: - they will finish tomorrow as much as they can do. - Pled to Porter of £1.12.0 for expenses with cattle to Westbury. -

8th Sunday. -
9th Rode with Porter through Knight's Corner and other parts of Kelly's run: we found on the S. side of the Song Hill, and drove to the Falls yards 53 sheep. - Sent 25 sheep (wethers) to Wobornick on the 6th. -
10th Started for Woolmers (stayed at Westbury for the night). -
11th Reached Woolmers, (was obliged to leave my horse at Brickendon being taken in the boat across as the bridge was impassable) found my Father very ill. - R. D. K. & wife were there. - Saw Dr. M. Kilgour Sr. - Mr. Bomer's man went for the 100 wethers sold to him. -

12th Remaining at Woolmers. -
13th My Father told me what he had arranged in his Will concerning the property &c. - Dr. Pugh with Dr. Kilgour saw my Father together & consulted about his case. - Rode to Entally, on my way to the hunt I stopped there for the night. -

14th Proceeded to Beshunt. Inspected on my way Kelly's sheep at the Falls yards, and counted 1550, - shewing 86 missing. - I ordered that they shd be taken back to the Gathering Padk, and to scow the run on Monday &c. -
Kelly's sheep numbers collected

15th Sunday. Heavy rain. Rev^d W. Williams did not come. -
16th Rain. - Heard thunder across the W^m Mts in the evening. - did not go to Kelly's run. -
Thunder

17th Sent Brigstock & Hawkshaw across Kelly's run into Knight's Corner & went myself with Porter to the hills above Bark Marsh &c, directing Kelly to scow the low ground, to search for the missing sheep
Scow Kelly's run

We only saw one sheep that was giddy, but Brigstock & H. brought in 36, 50 still being away. - There have been 3 drowned in the drain which reduces the number missing to 47. - Brigstock says he is sure there are more sheep somewhere on the run, from tracks to which he saw. - Brownsort & Co have finished splitting the 14000 shingles. I told them to split the butt of the tree last felled into six feet piling. - Jupp intends to set up at Deloraine as a Tailor; he went to Deloraine to make arrangements today, & was to bring back a parcel of books for me, but has not yet returned. W. Gunn, who has procured these books from England for me, writes that I owe him for them (in addition to £8 advanced in Augt 48) £11.6.6. - The books are - "Sindley's Elements of Botany" & "Vegetable Kingdom"; "Hooker's (fil.) Flora Antarctica", and "Meisner's Genera Plantarum".

Kelly's missing sheep
Brownsort's shingles
Jupp's piling
Botanical Books

July 18th As Jupp did not return I sent Blackaby for (obtained) the books. The weather is very showery. - Took up black pilly, his 4y old, for Porter. 19th Jupp returned, having been to Westbury: I settled with & discharged him. - Collected, with C.A., some ferns & mosses &c. - Porter saw, & gave chase to the deer yesterday. - Brownsort & Co have finished splitting the butt of the tree, which has produced 500 six feet piling. - Blackaby went for letters, taking my Rattinderm mare, which required partly shoeing.

July 18th Kelly for Porter
Duckett's Jupp
The deer again
Brownsort's piling

20th Not able to chop the Meander to measure the log fence &c. done by Duckett & Co. 21st Sent 25 Methus to M'Boornick. - Rode into Mountain Plain, over great part, nearly $\frac{1}{4}$ part, of the best ground in which run there is water running or standing. - It w^d pay to open some surface drains. - The cattle were looking poor, but passable as to condition in winter weather: the sheep tolerably well. - All vegetation is at a stand-still.

25 Methus to M'Boornick
Mountain Plain
Cattle

22. Sunday. - Rev^d M. Williams & Rev^d M. White came. - 23rd Measured C.A. with Duckett & Clark the quantity of log fence in the line on the Eastⁿ Side of pond it 15 chains less than the measurement made by the fences before 1872 rods. - Settled with & discharged Brownsort & Clark, keeping Duckett for the present at 6s per hebdow. ditching. - Castated 6 calves, & branded them together with 6 heifer calves A, in all 12.

Bounding line, log fence measured
24th by
H. Clark
Duckett
Calves

25th Mr Geo. Gibson wished to know if we would let his father have our rented crown land above the run which ~~it~~ includes Gibson's Sugarloaf. - Started for Woolmers, & reached Gintally: -

July 26th At Woolmers. Inspected the new woolpress &c. -

Woolmers 27th My Father told me that he had paid £50 into the U.B. to my
Surrey account. - Rode to Lammeston: ordered sundry articles, and
went on to Entally for the night. - Tried, on the way to
town, to hire a girl as nurse, but only partially succeeded.

Crustalls 28th Started for Chestnut. - Stopped at Westbury; and obtained from
the Police Clerk £1.13.0 in payment for rations supplied to the Town
Duckett-ditch. constables. - Rich^d Duckett yesterday finished the ditch set out for
him: and Carr & Snell completed the fence of Barn Park. -
2 of the young wethers Blackaby took 2 of the young wethers lost by Blackwell & Kelly to Chestnut
in the spring-cart from Thomas's, Deloraine. -

29 Sunday. -

30th Examined the forest in a S.E. by 2 direction from the Falls, with a
view to putting up a fence across Kelly's run. - Met Kelly who
told me a dog had been among his sheep in Knight's Corner
and had killed 3, besides wounding several.

31st Yesterday measured (C.H.) Carr's fencing in Barn Park 118 chains, &
and the fence from Barn to Storky 5 1/2 chains. - Yesterday marked
out continuation of ditch for Duckett in Tinkus Bog. - Rode
over the river I saw some of Wignall's sheep: the run is very wet,
on the low grounds. - Told Wignall to have his sheep in on Friday.

Aug 1st Heavy rain. - Carr & Snell ^{with Brown} are renewing the garden fence. -
2nd Examined the palings split by Brown's cart: satisfactory. - Rode
also over Long Hill: saw no sheep. - Rec^d parcel from Robertson's
consisting of a hat, oilcloth, shoes &c. -

3rd Inspected Wignall's sheep, & counted 1211, missing 4. - 7 have
died, of 6 of which he has the skins; and 9 have been taken to
the homestead ^{of these 1 has died.} - Mr Jones, tanner, from Berriside, came to
buy hides: he offered 5/- each, if deliv^d at Deloraine, I told
him I wd let him know. - Wrote to my Father abt them
also abt Ryland, point^{ing} out the reasons for hiring him in
the first place. -

4th Procured some ferns, mosses, &c. on the sides of the Tent Creek. -

5th Sunday. The wild dog was among Kelly's sheep last night. -

6th Kelly & Brigstock collecting K's sheep. - Blackaby brought from
Deloraine, a box with brandy in bottles, ^{10/-} paper from Doublings, and
clothes from Schultz. -

7th Rode to the Falls to inspect Kelly's sheep: the dog was among
them again last night: 16 have been found dead, including the
3 found on the 30th July: - This is sad work! -

Wignall's sheep counted
Mr Jones of Berriside
Ryland
Carr's Barn Park fence
Duckett
Wignall
Aug 1st
2nd
3rd
4th
5th
6th
7th
Wignall's sheep
16 killed

Aug 1st 8th - Rode to W.A. Megan's, at Wesley Dale. - Sent Porter on to Kelly's run with his dogs: - Kelly to tail his sheep. -
 fence in Kelly's run
 9th Went with Carr & Snell, & marked out the line of fence to extend from the Falls to the bend of Meander below the S. bound^{ry} of Kelly's run. Rode home through the scrubs, which require thorough burning. -
 Scouring scrubs
 10th Went with Porter & B.H. on Kelly's run, guns in hand, to scour the scrubs: it came on to rain & rained during the latter part of the day, giving us a thorough soaking. -
 6 cows to Robin Hood
 11th Porter put 6 cows (got by Rob Roy) to Robin Hood; to come in for milk in May next year. - Arranged for Symons to go to Woolmers & to bring up the girl lately hired. - The dog among Kelly's sheep again last night. -
 12th Sunday. -
 Scouring scrubs in Kelly's run
 13th Went with Porter (taking dogs & guns) to scour the scrubs in Kelly's run. This appears to be the only plan that we can adopt to get rid of the wild dog, since he is not to be snared, hunted down, nor shot; and it appears to have been effectual in the case of the hunters who thus drove him from his shelter on the lower side of Quambly, to the W. - The kangaroos have now joeys about the size of a small bandicoot. - Symons left for Woolmers this morning. - Sent by him to Westbury work for Mrs. Howell, & 3rd in payment for previous needlework. - Sent 25 Melhurs to M'bornick at 10/- per head. -
 Mary of Kibberias
 3y ewes to Woolmers
 25 sheep to M'bornick
 Kelly's sheep number killed
 14th Killed another of Kelly's sheep dead yesterday on the side of a hill close to the scrub called the "little scrub": - This makes 17, with 1 found by the road, 18. - Knowles & Weller joined (with boxes & tray) Carr & Snell. -
 in big scrub
 15th Took my gun & dogs and walked through the "big scrub" on Kelly's run; but saw nothing of the dog. - Symons returned with the girl. -
 Refound sent away
 16th Started Wm Ryland, the Shoemaker for Woolmers paying him 23/-, for care in cutting out & making 23 pairs of boots; in addition to wages. -
 Back
 17th Walked up the "Yent Creek" about 2 miles from the log fence, & down the "Swallow-hole" Creek: - Lost the dogs. - On the way out saw the buck, which now runs & feeds with the yearling cattle, and is becoming tolerably tame. -
 O'Donnell's sheep
 18th The dogs returned about noon. - I heard the other day that W O'Donnell had gone wrong, and that the bailiffs were in his house. -
 Song Hill
 19th Sunday. - Rev^d M. Williams not here. -
 1 more sheep
 20th Rode on to the "Song Hill" and saw a dead sheep, which I heard was killed on Sunday night, when the wild dog was again on the run: he drove a small mob of sheep down the valley, near the fence's' hut, at about 9 o'clk. - Arranged to

In the scrubbers meet Brigstock to go through the scrubs tomorrow. — The men have made a commencement of between 30 & 40 rods of the fence near the Yalls.: this is the worst end for timber & work.

Potatoes Aug 21st Went through the "little scrub" with Brigstock & dogs; but saw nothing of the weaver. — Sent down some potatoes to the fences yesterday, intending to issue some also to the other men. —

30 skins from the Yalls 22nd Sent the fences' meat down to the Yalls & brought thence 30 sheep skins, taken off slaughtered sheep, — i.e. by wild dog. — Suspected Duckett's ditching, & set him fresh work. —

Young oats 23rd Walked through Stockyard Park and those adjoining: the oats are looking strong generally, but show no disposition to tiller: I suppose on account of the wet of winter & the frosts. — The English grasses are springing now, and the pasture begins to look greener. — Saw some of the young heifers in Mountain Plain; they are very thin. — Brown

Grass spring being refused permission to marry is to go to Samuceton tomorrow to see his intended & if possible postpone matters. — gave him £2.

W. Brown to town 24th Rode on the West End run: the sheep looking well: the low ground however is exceedingly wet & unprofitable. — Discarded the continuation of the fossiliferous limestone (which forms the bed of the Meander opposite one S. bounded & fenced land on "E. Side") on the side of one of the small hills at the S. of "West End". —

Woolly sheep from fossiliferous limestone 25th My Father having given me notice to let him know what wheels I should require in addition to the 2 pairs of strong wheels already made at Woolmers, I wrote that we required 2 pairs of horse-cart

Wheels wheels. — Received the last No of Tasmanian Journal from W. Gunn, with the intimation that he was creditor of the Y.S. to the amt of £100. — Agreed to let Duckett (who finished ditching in Fisher

Worm Journal Bag this forenoon) some ditching in Youngs Hill run, at the rate of 2½ for a ditch 18 x 6 & 15 deep. & 3 for one 2 x 6 & 15 deep, per rod. — Marked out the lines for him. The wild dog was on the side of the Youngs Hill last night near the fences' hut: they went out after him & fired, but saw nothing more of him, and he decamped. —

Duckett ditching in Youngs Hill run Sent the dog Gunner alias Prince to Herkshaw for the present.

Wild dog 26th Sunday
27th Rode to the Yalls: inspected the new log fence, of which more than 100 rods are finished: the three logs are as high as many four-log fences: — the working seem poor, though well fed: — at the rate they are going on, it will take from 8 to 9 weeks to complete the line. —

Gunner 28th Sent, by Kelly, 20 weathers to the Yalls, for W. Bournick, who met them there. — There are 33 left in Brights Hill P.K. — Procured some mosses

New log fence 20 W. 28th to W. Bournick. 33 left.

and fungi in the small creek above Hawkshaw's hut.

Duckett
£9.4.2
Kidney
Articles
Home
Harrow
W. Shear
30th

9th gave Duckett £9.4.2 in an order on Mr. Bournick being the balance due to him on the 24th July 1849. - Received some ash-leaved kidney-potatoes, by post, from Mr. W. Wiggins. - On Monday Blackaby brought from Deloraine a parcel of crockery ware from Mr. W. Allen (Leicester), also some harness from Mr. Shearke, (in lieu of part payment for the horse I sold him;) viz 2 cart bridles, 2 cart-saddles & breechings, 30th & 31st. Raining weather. Finished threshing & cleaning up of old oats; which produced only 170 bushels for the store. -

30th
Drafted
cattle
Mount
Paddock

1st Drafted the young cattle from Mount Paddock into two lots; one of 19 in calf (viz Field's bulls) into Bark Delegate Park and one of 17 outside of the log fence: they had all become very poor. - 4 cows (from Westembrook) into Mount Paddock. 2nd Sunday. Rev. Mr. Williams came in the afternoon. -

Sugar
loaf
river
B. Brown

3rd Walked to the top of our Sugar loaf, with Mr. W. H. H. (VNEVO UCFKCKK) (VSV): noticed the improvement in the pasturage, and the good condition of the stock running upon it. - B. Brown returned yesterday. -

4th
Rode
to inspect
the log fence

4th Rode to inspect the log fence in progress on the "Falls" run: I counted about 150 panels, equal to more than that number of rods: at this rate they will take 8 weeks at least to finish the line. - Duckett returned yesterday evening. - Porter agreed to remain at £15 per ann. -

Duckett
Yield
Jack's log

5th Fired old Jack's log, (near fore). - Walked through Paddocks, which I found in a drying state generally. -

6th
Examined
the state
of the ground

6th Examined the state of the ground in Delegate Park & planned some drains to carry off the water, and dry the land. -

7th
Raining
weather
Walked
across
Yinkee's
Bag

7th Raining weather. Walked across Yinkee's Bag, examining the drains &c. -

8th
Wrote
to my
Father
giving
sizes
of farms
of timber
is, spread
of mould
boards
&c. - Sent
my bay
pony
mare to
Rev. Mr.
Williams
who has
been here
during
the last
two
nights. -
Four
men
named
Richd
Taylor,
Mathew
Rofs,
James
Morris,
(paper
holders)
and Jas
McDonald
(free)
arrived
from
Woolmers.
- Settled
with
Joseph
Martin. -
Rehired
Knowles
at
£13. per
annum.
Weller
brought
about
350
blackwood
spokes,
split by
the
pevers,
& 8^{pr} of
naues. -

8th Wrote to my Father giving sizes of farms of timber is, spread of mould boards &c. - Sent my bay pony mare to Rev. Mr. Williams who has been here during the last two nights. - Four men named Richd Taylor, Mathew Rofs, James Morris, (paper holders) and Jas McDonald (free) arrived from Woolmers. - Settled with Joseph Martin. - Rehired Knowles at £13. per annum. Weller brought about 350 blackwood spokes, split by the pevers, & 8^{pr} of naues. -

9th
Sunday.
10th
Scoured
the scrub
on the S
side
of the
"Falls"
run,
with
Briestock
& Mr
Eastley
(Mr
Baker's
amusee.)
but
saw
nothing
of the
wild
dogs;
which
have
however
been
among
our
sheep
again
& killed
several.
Briestock
saw
two
strange
dogs
on the
Long
Hill
yesterday;
one
white
with
a black
patch
on the
side
of the
head,
& one
hip;
the
other
black
with
white
at back
of neck,
& white
tip to
tail,
in make
like
Scam.

9th Sunday. -
10th Scoured the scrub on the S side of the "Falls" run, with Briestock & Mr Eastley (Mr Baker's amusee.) but saw nothing of the wild dogs; which have however been among our sheep again & killed several. Briestock saw two strange dogs on the Long Hill yesterday; one white with a black patch on the side of the head, & one hip; the other black with white at back of neck, & white tip to tail, in make like

Porter & Knowles to town. Sept 11th

In Sammeston R.R. Davies. 12th

Botan and Cat & Mill. 12th

Major W. to have my old mare. 13th

J. Lytleton. 13th

Smith. 14th

Planted Potatoes. 14th

J. Morris to Reilly's place. 15th

J. Edwards employed. 15th

New Log fence. 16th

Antiques from town. 17th

Drawn in Turkis Bag. 17th

Start for Woolmers with carriage. 18th

Ranched Washburn. 19th

Woolmers. 20th

Wool packs. 20th

Plants from Scrubby corner. 24th

W. Reid. 24th

a shepdog. - Porter & Knowles started today for Sammeston, for a few days. - Duckett takes Knowles's place at the fence. - Started, for and reached Sammeston. Stopped at the Cornwall Hotel; where I found Rev R.R. Davies & family; (poor little Annie not expected to live, suffering from Whooping cough & fever.) - Sent Uignall's Memo^r to W.R.H. Davies. - Rumbled over the Catawact Hill and procured a few plants. (specimens). - Attended Mr Emmanuel, Dentist, who stopped three teeth for me; and sold me a bottle of his "Yinetime"; a box of tooth powder & a tooth brush: paid him £ 2.12.0

13th Arranged to let Major Wentworth have my old Peter & in more to breed from: should she do well, he is to give me half the value of the progeny or what he pleases. Took leave of J. Lytleton, who will embark today or tomorrow in the "David Maleolen" (for California direct) as joint supercargo with the Capt. - Smith. - Arrived at Cheshunt. -

14th Inspected the Obligate Park & Mass to the S.E. of it, with a view to drainage. - Saw the buck with the calves. - The grass is now springing fast. Planted my potatoes. -

15th Rode to the Falls. - Sent J. Morris to take the place of L. Reilly, who is to leave: gave him a pass to get a place. - Arranged that J. Edwards (who was out after the wild dogs before, principally on Mr. Foot's land) should take turn-about with Brigstock to endeavour to shoot them or drive them away. He is to have so much per head ^{per} week, and so much should he kill the dog or dogs. - The fences have finished nearly half of the new fence. - Blackaby brought from Deloraine a parcel of paper from Dawlings. -

16th Sunday. Rev^d Mr. Williams came. -

17th Marked out a drain in Turkis Bag for Ross; and arranged work for the other men. -

18th Sent forward Kit the plough-mare to Deloraine; and drove Softy in my carriage there, lunching with wife, child, & servant girl (at Rev W Williams's. - Drove Kit on to Westbury, Blackaby riding Jessy. Stopped the night at Syall's. -

19th Drove Kit to Carrick (Rudge's), and sent her back with Blackaby driving on to Woolmers (through Clayton's Lane) a horse sent by Mr. Wm Arthur Esq; whose groom rode Jessy in company with us. -

20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd & 24th at Woolmers. Directed Gilham as to Woolpacks finishings. - Marked out the size of the new woolpacks for sewing. Each pack took ¹⁴ 19. 5 of stuff, which weighed ^{lb} 9. 14. - Mr North estimated on the 24th about 60 young rems, tying the rems. - I procured some specimens of plants in Scrubby corner. My Mother at D. Valentine Campbelltown. - Hired W. Reid, p.p., to take Sims's place in the kitchen. ^{per ann}

Sept 25th
Walked
from Lintally
to town

Ordered
from Best
Box from
my land

2 teeth ext'd
Chloroform

2 1/2 p/his
Hospital

Mr Yuletow

Borrowed
Wolfe's gig

Briestock's
black must
Killed 3
Killed 3
returned more
Duckett in
the office

Made butter

Black
Calves turned
outside fences

Saw out
Young heifers
in calf
to rear some
of the calves

Oct 1st

Rode to Lintally; and walked thence into Sarumston along the S. esk; taking specimens of plants. I was much deceived in the distance which I calculated at 12 miles, & found from 16 to 18: - I did not reach town till 1/4 past 8 P.M. -

26th Ordered 6 cabinets, 3 feet high 14 1/2 inches wide & 12 inches deep, for botanical specimens, at Best's: - also a portable box for Roberts sketches; the whole to cost £12. - Procured the box from England per Robt Syers, from Townley's, through Mr Dawling who was to pay the expenses. - Took out a parcel for Mr C. Arthur & told Mr D. to send it to Mr Marriott's: - also two books for J.A.G. - Waited on Dr Pugh who took out two double teeth for me: & afterwards witnessed at the S^t John's Hospital an operation upon a female (reduction of dislocation of shoulder) under the influence of chloroform: it was successful in about 10 minutes, the patient appearing insensible to the pain: afterwards she experienced the intoxicating effects of the vapour - quite drunk. - Saw a horrible operation - the opening of a scrophulous tumour. Passed the evening with Mr Yuletow P.M. of Sarumston: he seems a man of middling ability, in which he appears to confide but is very conversational nevertheless. -

27th Borrowed Mr Blague's gig, horse, & groom, & reached Lintally; where I remained for the night. -

28th Rode to Chesant. Briestock had his flock in while I was away, but only counted 1505. The dog has been again killed 3. - Revd Mr Williams was here last Sunday, and left the little bay mare, being tired of her. - R. Duckett has been at the new fence on the Yeall's run in place of Weller who has been breaking charcoal & striking for Frost the blacksmith. -

29th - I made butter (for the first time) today. 6 lbs salt, & about 3 lbs fresh. - wrote to Washburn to Mr W.A.P. - Recd a letter from Mr J. Gibson, of Circular Head, making down his int^l in the book we have here to me. - Porter has turned outside the fence. 61 heifer, & 11 steer calves, making in all 53 steer & 61 heifer calves; - total 114. -

30th Sunday. -

Commenced sowing oats in Dolegate P.K. - Rode to Yeall's run, & inspected the new bog fence; which still wants about half a mile to complete it. - The 19 young heifers, in calf, which were removed from Mount Plain to Tent P.K. now about 2 yrs old are just calving. - I have arranged to take up as many good milch cows as I can find, and try to rear some of them, - taking them away

1 sheep
died
from their mothers. - One heifer died in calving; - and the calves
of two have been killed. -

Oct^r 2nd Allowed to each man upon the farm 28 lbs of potatoes, to plant. -
The weather is so very changeable, that every one has a cold; it
was very fine yesterday; - today stormy & wet. -

3rd Rode to the "East" Side. Williams, who had been to Westbury for a T.S. form,
had returned: - the run was very wet, but the sheep looked well, though thin.
Saw the mares & foals on my way through the Sagence Park home: -
the mares are very thin, but the foals look well. -

4th I made butter again today, & succeeded pretty well. - The weather is still
very unsettled.

5th Found the oats in Storky & PK looking thriving; & the ryegrass in the
adjoining padd^k springing. -

6th Rode on to Henshaw's run: very wet in places, but the sheep look
tolerably well. I am very glad to hear that Mr Gootie's shepherd has
killed one of the wild dogs, (the one with smooth hair, white ring round
his neck, white breast, white on face, & white tip to tail) agreed to give
Wignall for the coming year of his service £18. - Squares moved to Stanger's room.
7th Sunday. -

8th Rode to Washburns. Miss Moriarty, dead. -

9th At Washburns - Jessie the black pony mare turned out. -

10th Rode to Campbell Town. Stopped with Dr Valentine. Dined at
the Assembly Rooms, with the Midland Agric^l Assocⁿ. Sir W. Denison was
there: most of the leading members absent. -

11th Joined the Stag hunt, which was a failure. - Botanised with Mr
Valentine.

12th Rode to Washburns. - Heard of the death of Miss B. Pitt. - Sir W.
Denison & Mr Clark walked up from Rhodes: His Excellency
stated that the Magistrates have the power of refusing licenses
to individuals intend^d to open Inns. -

13th Rode to Lakeshunt. Spoke to J. Thomas about carting poles
to Washburns. - The saddle (Sut Hill) at Mr Bramwich's has my
mare, for which he is to pay £9. half in cash & half in work. -

The sowing & harrowing of Obligate Padd^k is finished. - Buckitt
has completed the drainage in Lower Hill run. - Mr Donald has
crushed out all the oats; which are cleared. - The new fence on
the Falls run is completed. - The grey colt (cart) is taken up to
break in. -

14th Sunday. -

15th Set Knowles & Weller to repairing bridges in various places. I find

Potatoes to be used for plant^g
Past^r Side
Mares & foals
Butter
Henshaw's run
One wild dog killed
Wignall retained
Washburns
Jessie
Midland Show
Stag hunt
Washburns
Licenses to Mr Clark
Sut Hill
Sowing finished
Drainage
Oats all crushed
Grey colt
Rep^r bridges

Oxen injured
That 3 of our working oxen have been placed 'hors de travail' by the operations at the log fence between Knight's Corner & Back Marsh; viz. 1 lame of a forefoot, & 2 blind of one eye.

Brigstock's flock
16th Rode to inspect Brigstock's flock at the Mile Drain: they are in very fair order for the most part: I counted 1498 only: A. thought he had 15 more, but they were missing: the deficiency, including about 30 killed by wild dogs, is 105! - There are therefore, say 175 either on the run, or entirely wanting. - The number saying 30 have been killed should be 1605. - A. McNamee from Blueyrun (or Bluean) near Westbury came to buy milk cattle. I sold him 4 cows in calf, & 1 with calf at foot, in all 5 for £30: he paid £9 in earnest; and I agreed to send them to Deloraine on Thursday. -

McNamee 5 cows
17th Examined Princess Pad^k, all the stumps & roots in which are now nearly gubbed: the soil has not so much thickened above the clay as I expected: but the depth varies much. - Found the Pigeon

Princess Pad^k
Pigeon
18th Started C. H. with Porter and W. McNamee's cows & calf: they were delivered to him safely at Deloraine, and he paid £20.6.0 (having been charged, for cashing a cheque of £21, 1/4 (by J. Hall, Butcher,) which I was to allow him; however he agrees to pay half;) - Paid Mr. Humphreys for postage shocking £1.0.10. - up to Oct^r 1st 49. - Mr. Elwyn (the Dr. of Deloraine) came to see R. Taylor, concerning the drawing of his teeth & the payment of the charge, 2/6, for doing so; by mentioning the charge to Mr. Humphreys, he afforded grounds for an action against Elwyn for illegally practicing as a medical man: - the case will come on on Monday. - Took away

McNamee's cows to Deloraine
Pay mt.
Postage &c £1.0.10
Dr. Elwyn & R. Taylor
the foals, 2 fillies & 5 colts, from the breeding mares; and put them in Tent Pad^k. - Mares back to Log fence Pad^k. - 2 + 3 yrs. old colts & fillies (excepting a chestnut colt in Bull Pad^k) into Bee Pad^k. - Broken in 4 + 5 yrs. old horses in Flat, & Bull Pad^k. - My horses in Barn Pad^k. - Turned the small lot of sheep in Bright's Hill into Obligate P^k, to eat off the spring's grass, tread in oats, & frighten the cockatoos. -

19th Set 3 men to grub stumps &c. in broadest block, intending to plough it for next season, after fanning. - The grey colt was strained in the neck, in handling. -

20th Holly, the Athemather sent boats for some of the men, and is to come next week to buy our leather. - Rode to Garrett's Sugarloaf, crossed the river there & came home through the S.E. part of Brigstock's run. Saw 30 sheep which have not been counted lately; so that I hope the other missing sheep may be on the run. - Shot 3 snipes in Barn Pad^k. - Tuttle, the saddler, to pay me half price of bay mare on Monday. -

21st Sunday. - Rev^d Mr. Williams here. -

Holly
30 of Brig's
snipe
Snipes
Saddler

Oct^r 22nd - Rode to Woolmers, on Rotterdam mare.

Palmer 23rd - Culled Palmer's Inside flock; and 2-teeth ewes, - which were unsatisfactory.

Inside flock. 24th - Culled Old & Young Rams: - the young Rams, though by the same sires as the 2-teeth ewes, were a very fair flock: I only culled 22 of them, though one-half of the ewes were drawn out. - My Father

Rams culled. - Imported Rams - thinks of procuring one of the imported German Rams (price £35) I am of opinion that it would be well to do so. - Tried the new

Woolprep - woolprep; everything was very stiff, but we packed readily, at two pressings, 500 lbs of handwashed wool; equal to 550 lbs of fleece wool, & 600 lbs of Lamb's wool, at least. - Told my Father that I could not take more than 1500 sheep from Woolmers, at Ches-

hnut; unless he took away the horses; which would enable me to take 500 more, in all 2000. - I am to fatten the 6-teeth ewes and some of Hawkshaws's 6-teeth Wethers. -

25th Rode to Chesnut. - Symons took with him, when he brought Mrs J. to Warwick (where Rockhall met her,) to Chesnut. Books lent to me by D. V. - boots &c. for G.H. from his Father: Tea & Sugar from Deloraine (G.N. Campbell), & a box of books (from England.) Wignall to go to Woolmers on Tuesday, to bring up some sheep; a man to be sent up with him. -

26th Hawkshaws sheep from Mount Pⁿ in the yard; some missing. Sent him for them: - to bring them tomorrow noon. - Killed my pig. -

27th Hawkshaws's Mount Pⁿ sheep in the yard. Drew out the lambs, & counted 352; showing dead & missing .10. - counted the Wethers 362; dead & missing .12. - Kelly's ewes in the yard: drew out 427 lambs; dead & missing .9; (2 cranky on the run, 5 dead, 2 to go with ewes being cranky.) Counted

922 ewes; dead & missing .8. - Hawkshaws West End flock in the yard; counted 625; dead 2, missing 3, 5. - Arranged the sheep thus, -

(930, 42.) 922, 6-teeth ewes - 555 ewes & the 2 lambs, in Bull Park

2, Giddy 2-teeth ewes (for lambs) } 367 " 11 Giddy 6-teeth Wethers (Bright's Hill)

(374) 362 - 6-teeth Wethers from Mount Pⁿ } Bright's - Same Park. -

(31) 31 - " " - Store sheep - }
(798) 779 - 2-teeth ewes & Wethers to Mount Plain... -
(630) 624 - 6-teeth Wethers. to West End. -

28th Sunday. -

29th Cut up & salted (with Pearson's Just^d) the pig, which occupied five hours; my first attempt in that way. - Rode to the

Yalls and back: no signs of wild dogs for some time past. Set old Kelly to make tobacco water for dressing the first lot of sheep from Woolmers, which are in a

scabby sheep to be sent from Woolmers.

Hands to Chesnut by Symons
Wignall to go to Woolmers on sheep

Killed Pig
Hawkshaws's & Kelly's flocks separating sheep &c.

Number of sheep
Kelly & Hawkshaws

Cut up & salted pig
scabby sheep to be sent from Woolmers

Wignall with Stockings to Woolmers
Approx of sheep -

measure scabby, from contact with the diseased sheep of our neighbours. - Wignall to go tomorrow, to Woolmers (taking old Stockings to remain,) for them. Wrote to my Father giving an approximate list of my sheep, as follows,
1315 { 922 ewes } on English grasses. -
 { 393 wethers }
1405 { 975 ewes } Harbushaw
 { 430 ewes }
1570 wethers (some mips) Brigstock
1220 { 1162 ewes } Wignall -
 { 58 wethers }
5510 "total."

Mersey
Wignall with Stockings
31st

Oct 30th - Started Wignall, with Stockings. - Made an excursion to the Mersey, with C.H. - Found the Narcissus in flower, & Blandfordia in bud. - Tried to burn off some rough grass & ferns in Stockyard Park, and along the ditch in Marsh Meadows; but it was too damp to burn well. -

Nov 1st
Wignall with the sheep from Woolmers
2nd

Rode to Deloraine to meet Wignall with the sheep from Woolmers; they reached the township at 3 o'clock, & were halted in the yards at the Halls for the night. - I caught six herrings with fly & gurtle. Davies came to castrate the yearling colts but could not yard.

Yearling horses
Cast of 4
2 mares

Went out with Davies & Blackaby on horseback, at 6 o'clock, after the yearling horses; and, after an hour & a half of hard riding, drove in 3 colts & the 2 fillies, the other 2 colts having escaped, over the log fence. Davies castrated the colts & they & the fillies were branded. I counted the sheep from Woolmers, (which arrived at about 10 o'clock,) and made their number 755; wanting 2 of the number counted by Jelfs at Woolmers: but Wignall was obliged to leave 1 at D. Fisher's son's, & the other may have escaped my eye in counting: they are to be dressed & put on to their run, on Monday & Tuesday. - They are the smallest and least creditable lot of sheep I ever saw on our estate; no doubt on account of their run at Fairfield having been overstocked; - and they are evidently very scabby. Put them in Barn Park till dressed. -

Number of sheep from Woolmers

A G. S. man, named Joseph Williams, came with Wignall, - he says to remain but is not mentioned in the letters. -

Condition

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John Williams

State of Oats & Ryegrass in Doublegate Park & Stockyard Park

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Soot in Paring
Baron Thoms smoking

No^o 4th - Sunday. -

(The young sheep from Washburns.)

Washburns 5th
Bale of 600 lbs. 6th

Rode to Washburns. - Kelly commenced, with Brigstock & Hawkshaw, dressing

Saxon Rains at Washburns 6th
Mecklenburgh Rains 7th

Rain. - Pressed first bale of fleece wool in new press; weight 600 lbs.

Went in the coach to Wanstead to see the imported Saxon Rains. -

The ram my Father wished to have had been put to a flock of his own ewes by Mr Meier, (he was no 9;) I took the refusal of nos 18 and 86, the former finer-wooled, but much smaller than the latter.

Selected 120 of Grosses 8th
Southey Corner 9th

Mr M. offered the better of two Mecklenburgh rams for £7. -

Selected 120 of Grosses (the best flock) ewes for the rams from Wanstead. - Botanised in Scrubby corner & found some few

novelties. -

Sent for Saxon Rains 9th
& Mecklenburgh Rains 10th

Wrote by Reid (my man) to Mr Meier, that Mr Jos^h Archer (for my Father)

would take no 18 ram, (my Father not liking the big head which I described as belongg to no 86,) and the better

Mecklenburgh ram of the two he showed me, at £30 for the former (as arranged between Mr J. Archer & Mr Ducroz.) and £7 for the latter. Reid

took the light cart & Bready. - Started for Cheshunt, & passed the night at Westbury Inn. Met Mr J^r Winter & Mr Rooke there. -

Wrote to Mr Handwiler concerning our horse stock. -

Washburns 10th
Failing 11th

Reached Cheshunt. - Found the tobacco, sown in the enclosure at Brigstock's old hut, had not appeared; I fear it will fail. -

11th Sunday. -

Repair's Sheepfences 12th
Herrings 13th

Set Sam & Nell to set the sheepwash in order, & enlarge it. -

Preparing in various ways for "Shearing". - Rode to the ford from Bramwich's land on to Knight's Corner run, & caught or killed

(in angling phraseology) 7 fine herrings. -

Wignall to Washburns for sheep 13th

Started Wignall to Washburns for another lot of sheep, 1000. -

Directed Kelly to shift the 555 ewes from Bull Park to Marsh Meadows; & those on Bright's Hill to Saxe Park, the

ewes from the last to Bull Park. Hawkshaw to gather his West End flock; they will be put in Black-gate Park, &

will be replaced by 700 from Washburns; the remaining 300 (of those to be brought by Wignall) going into Saxe Park, the fence of which on Town Hill side is being brashed. -

Disposition of sheep for father 14th

Rode to the Lime Kilns; Examined Lime Kiln Park, which much

requires draining: - the fence between it & Offarrell's Marsh is good, but leans in places. - Crossed (below the fence runs) W. from Lime Kilns) the Main Drain, & came home through Mount^{up}. - Hawkshaw's Haggets are looking well. -

Lime Kiln Park 14th

Boothwick
L.V.V.F.O. L.F.O.O.J.

Boothwick has made his way up, in route for the "Pine Gully".

Young
Horns
Bulls

Nov 14th - Recd a letter from Mr Hardwick to the effect that he could not undertake the sale of four horses; - also from Major Wentworth about my old bay mare, - which he will take to put to Graham's, giving me half the value of the produce. - Boothwick put in some bulbs.

Bainings's
Heads
Plants

15th Went to the summit of Bainings's Head, with G.H. & Boothwick, marking the way to the top. - Procured some plants of Ranunculus Gunnianus, (in flower), Bellendena montana, Bronnia rhomboides, Clematis astelaeifolia, a Senecio, & Rubus Gunnianus; with specimens for herbarium of the green cushions in flower, & some other plants. - It took us 6 hours

Time going
up & down
Sheep from
West End

to ascend, marking the way, & we reached home in 3 hours & 10 minutes, having delayed full a quarter of an hour on the road. - I counted Hawkshaw's West End sheep into Blackgate Park yesterday 623.

Sheep from
Woolmers
Divided

16th Assisted Porter to separate outside cattle from the cows & calves in Kirk's Bog. - Wignall arrived in the afternoon (Kelly having been sent to meet him at Deloraine) with the sheep from Woolmers, -

Woolmers
Wm Reid

2400 Wethers: started with 989. I counted into Bright's Hill for Hawkshaw 700, & to Log fence Park for Kelly 287, - I having been left in Ashburn's Forest, & I at the falls. - Wm Harrison, papsholder came with Wignall, to remain. - Wm Reid, my cook, also arrived. - Set the young plants, from Bainings's Head, under Store Shed.

12 Wethers
dead

17th - 1 of the young Wethers from Woolmers died this morning from a wound in the foot received at "shearing", leaving Kelly's lot 286. -

4 Wethers
missing

Delivered the remainder to Hawkshaw, but could only muster 696, 4 being missing most unaccountably; - he took them to West End. - The tobacco, mangold wurtzel, & turnips are coming up

Rain

better since the rain, which fell heavily on Tuesday night; & last night also with thunder & lightning. - We have been unable

Butter

to churn our cream so as to produce butter for some time, from what cause I know not; - but several weeks have elapsed without

Bay
Pony
with
the
sold

one getting any butter, excepting a little, in a bottle, the other day, & today. - Sent my bay pony mare by Davies to be sold yesterday.

For
Morris
Wm Harrison

18th Sunday. - Recd W. Williams here. -
19th Discharged James Morris, Brigstock's but keeper; and sent Wm Harrison to take his place. - A very windy day, with driving showers.

Wm
Harrison

20th Rode to Woolmers. Saw Mr Rooke at Westbury: he wished me to become one of the Trustees under the Westbury Road Act. - Found that

21st

Went to Mr Boney's, and was much pleased with his flowers.

Salisbury Walked home along the river and picked up two or three specimens. Some of the bales split which 600 lbs of Breeding ewes' wool has been pressed have burst off their lids: I fear that there will be damage accrue from this weight.

Nov 22 Went to Sammeton in Mrs Cox's coach, taking Eliza, our servant girl, to see her friends at Franklin Village.

Nov 23 Botanised at the Cataracts, and adjoining grounds. Returned to Woolmers, Eliza apparently glad to escape from the dirt & misery of her former home. - Stopped at M Bony on the way, and inspected a number of plants just obtained by Stuart from the Eastern Coast Country. - Several new plants in Rhennae, a new Boonia which I named "tridentata"; and other plants.

Nov 24 Returned to Cheshunt, - carrying a fish¹⁹ basket with sundries in it.

Nov 25 Sunday.

Nov 26 & 27 Wet and stormy. Moved the indigenous plants in the garden closer together. Obtained my Botanical Cabinets from Deloraine.

Nov 28 Rode to the Falls: - Saw Brigstock about his sheep being shorn: he tells me 3 or 5 were drowned in the main drain, that they are breaking fast with scab. - Found the Calceola (orchid) near the Falls. - Sent my old boy mare by boss to Carrick for Major Wentworth.

Nov 29 Examined the tobacco plants in the enclosure by the side of Yawn Hill: - they are very backward, and I fear, will never come to any size. Hearing a rumour of an intended robbery of some of our horses, I shifted those most in danger. - Had Fallyto killed yesterday.

Nov 30 She was suffering so much pain, without any possibility of relieving her and was so weak & helpless that it must have been misery to her to live. - I find the ewes on English grass are in capital order already.

Dec 1 Busy making final preparations for sheep washing & shearing. Rode to Deloraine with a letter for the post; and angled for a couple of hours, only killing three fish. - Told Porter to collect all the cattle which it would be advisable to fatten into Ovens' Creek Park, so that I might examine them. - Carr returned.

Dec 1 Porter brought in today some cattle from the Sugarloaf run; I drew off 19 steers, and 17 heifers into Marsh Meadow for fattening. These with 24 steers on the Flat, make altogether 60 head of cattle on the English grasses, for fattening. Woolmers arrived with a letter from Woolmers, informing me that on account of a flood in the Macquarie River, the shearing would not be finished

Sammeton
Nov. 18.
Cataract

Went to
Cheshunt

Moved
plants in
garden
5
sheeps
drowned
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send
to
Wentworth

Tobacco
backward
only
has
destroyed

Prepar
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1
Cattle
for
fattening
Woolmers
letter
from
Woolmers

before about the 8th inst. -

Dec 3rd Sunday -

3rd Started with Andrew back to Washburns. - The oats in both Kelly's ^{Stocky P^k} and Doublegate P^k are doing well. Kelly's sheep from Saffence P^k in; 286. - Abundance of grass on Mountain Plain.

4th Rode to the Sugar loaf run, ~~swalked~~ ^{swalked} to the summit of the "loaf": - it is a most barren uninteresting hill; but the ground betwⁿ it and the Meander is much improved; and will make a good shepherum in a year or two, - if the firestick be well applied. Sent for goods (from Robertson's) to Deloraine; and on the way tobacco to Brigstock. - I find today that there are some fine plants of tobacco in the enclosure, at the "Spreadagle" hut, Saffence P^k, but only on the ground which was least manured by the sheep. -

5th Huntshaw & Kelly dressing the Gower Hill flock, which is still in a breaking state. Fished in the Meander in the afternoon but only killed three fish. -

6th Kelly & Brigstock dressing Brigstock's flock at the Yalls. - Washed the Wethers from Bull P^k, 368, 3 having been slaughtered 2 giddy sheep killed. - Brigstock's sheep are getting in a bad state. -

7th Washed 696 Ewes. Mems: 3 ewes (Wignall's) were drawn by mistake from Bull Padk, mixed with these. - Rode to the sawpit, and directed Melhi as to what stuff should be brought down. -

8th Washed 226 Ewes, & 624 Wethers: the Ewes with the others on Bright's Hill, & the Wethers to Blackgate P^k. - Snell & Howe left off sawing; Snell to help with the sheepwashing &c. & Howe to saw some stuff for John Mack, who is about to move to Carrick. -

Blackaby brought me from Deloraine a parcel containing 3 p^s of trousers, from Williams the Sailor; also a bottle of rum, for the sheepwasher, from John Thomas; & informed me that Whitey's wagon, with goods from Washburns, had struck in Pumice-stone flat: -

I sent Bloom with a dray & two horses to render them assistance. -

4 Shearers, Lovell, Sykes, W. Smith, & Malone, arrived at 8 o'clock. - 9th Sunday - Lloyd, E. Smith, Gould, Morris, Rosetta & Gallagher, shearers dropped in, during the day. -

10th Washed 488 Hoggetts. - Sheared 10 sheep; but, finding them damp, stopped till the morrow. - started Whitey's wagon with

11th Got 605 of Wignall's sheep across the river & washed them. Sheared 372 Wethers (which with the 10 sheared yesterday I put in Sene P^k.) and 156 Fat Ewes. -

Kelly's sheep in Stocky P^k Sugarloaf

Tobacco plants

Sheep & Gower Hill flock

Sheep from Brigstock

Washing stuff from sawpit

Washing Snell & Howe left off sawing

Parcel from Williams the Sailor

Whitey's wagon Shearers

Shearers with oats

Washing

Dec 12th Sheared 624 Kat ewes. & penned the rem^r for the night. After much trouble we succeeded in cropping 599 sheep of Wignall's (4 miping) which were washed. 1 Hoggett killed, diseased. - Rain in the night.

13th Sheared 148 Kat ewes, and counted the flock 928: this number includes the 3 ewes drawn from among the Kat wethers on the 7th, 1 wether, & 1 or 2 Hoggetts. - No shear^s done^d the forenoon. After dinner sheared 216 Kat wethers from Blackgate PK. - 1 of Wignall's ewes first washed (which all have joined the shorn wethers) is dead: this makes of Wignall's flock 15 dead, 9 brought to the home-stead, & 4 miping. - Washed 801 Brigstock's wethers.

14th As Symons, who started yesterday morn^g to meet his wife at Westbury, in returning upset the cart & hurt her head & knee; so that he went back (from Mr Koot's sugarloaf) to Deloverina for the night: he arrived however this morn^g, bringing 6 plates, 6 pannikins and 3 dishes, & tin. - Finished shears^s the Kat wethers commenced yesterday, & counted them (to Mount PK) 618; 6 have strayed away somewhere since washing. - Washed 690 Brigstock's wethers, making a deficiency of 24^{since last count}. - Another of Wignall's ewes dead, (cast). - Commenced shearing the Hoggetts, 140.

15th Sheared the remainder of the Hoggetts and made them 751, and 1 giddy sheep which I ordered to be killed for cuttons; - there is a number straying somewhere. - Sent Caver & Duckett to examine the main drain near the Halls with a view to getting the heaps of accumulated sand & rubbish (on which the sheep jump & so crop over) removed. - There was too much water to see the extent of the mischief. Edwards with Brigstock looking after his miping sheep. - 2 wethers from the 382 lot slaughtered.

16th Sunday. Rev^d W Williams not here.

17th On account of rain we did not shear till 2 o'clock. I went with Caver to look at Main Drain & Mile Drain; & arranged that he & Holding should do what was required. - Settled with Duckett, and agreed to give him some ditching in Lime Kiln Park, 4 feet at top, 1 foot at bottom & 2 feet deep, at 9 per rod. - & the cleaning & enlarging of another at 5 per rod. - Shearing Wignall's flock.

18th Shearing Wignall's flock - with which 32 Hoggetts were mixed. Brigstock can find no sheep on his rise.

19th After much delay from rain, continued shearing Wignall's flock. - M. Whiteley, arrived with 2 wagons, bringing a cask 3/4 full of pitch. I find he is summoned to answer a charge

Shearing to - 1 Hoggett dead.

Shearing to -

Wignall's flock -

Symons upset light cart with his wife.

Wignall's flock -

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Caver & Holding to examine main drain.

Duckett & Holding to do ditching.

Shearing to -

Whiteley's 2 wagons

Wheat removed
for shearing
Dec 20th

of remaining sheepskins from here without a permit.

Branding
sheep
weighing
wool

20th finished Wignall's flock; C.H. branded them, ^{A on off rib,} drew out 32 Hoggets & 3⁺ giddy sheep. I counted them 1194 (2 dead in paddocks, 3⁺ giddy left, 2 in Sogfene Park, 1 mixed with Brigstock's, & 2 missing.) Sent them across the river to the east side. Commenced Brigstock's wethers. - Weighed, with Whiteley & men, & numbered 26 bales of wool, 80 to 105; & loaded them; 16 on our wagon to go as far as Deloraine. J. Davies came & sheathed the 2 remain³ bolts of wool.

Whiteley's
wagons started
plants from Stuart

21st Whiteley's teams & Symons started this morn^g. Symons returned in the evening, bringing a box of dried specimens of plants from Stuart. - Shearing Brigstock's Wethers. - Sent J. Edwards to go round Knight's corner, looking for the missing wethers. -

finished
shearing
settled with
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1165
sheep

22nd Very changeable & rough weather. By putting about 330 wethers into the stable we were enabled to finish shearing at abt 5 o'clock P.M. Settled with & dismissed the shearers, paying them for 5381 sheep at 9/6 per 100. - Gave the little dog Gummer alias Prince, to Rosetta. - Sent 1165 of Brigstock's Wethers, branded on near hip, to this run. -

Cattle in
Park
Preserving
sheep

23rd Sunday. -
24th Rode through Knight's Corner, but saw no tracks of sheep; there were 25 year^l & 2 y^o olds in Back Marsh. - C.H. branded 331 Brigstock's Wethers (including 3 Hoggets, 1 ewe (Wignall's) & 1 stranger), making of Brigstock's flock shown 1491, of which 1 was left in Beam P^k, injured. b.H. branded also 921 Fat Ewe flock; & 376 Fat Wethers from Same P^k.

at
Woodlands

25th Christmas Day. -
26th Rode to Deloraine for letters &c. Dined at Woodlands, Mr Winter's. b.H. branded in the forenoon 618 Fat Wethers, and 779 Hoggets. - Whiteley's two wagons arrived bringing sundries. - Settled with & discharged John Edwards on Monday the 24th.

Whiteley's
teams
started

27th Started Whiteley's teams with 15 bales of wool, (Symons taking 5 to Deloraine) and 30 bags (105 bushels, ea. weigh³ 39 ³/₄ lbs nett) of Oats; - the wool for town the oats for Washburns. - Rode across the Westerns Creek: the run is much improved, & would carry sheep well in the summer, - say 1500. - Sent Jos^h Williams & Chas^l Dennis (Washburns) away, the latter into town with the wool & then to Washburns, whether the founn goes direct. -

Western
Creek
Jos^h Williams
& Chas^l Dennis
to Washburns

28th We have 180 head of cattle above 2 y^o old in the paddocks, & about 60 head out. - Of those 180, 60 are for fattening, 43 Steers & 17 Cows. - Rode to Wignall's Run: sheep improved in condition since shearing. -

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Cattle
2 y^o old

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down the slipping rocks, ^{through the} ~~quick~~ shrubs before we reached home, which however we accomplished by $\frac{1}{2}$ past 8 A.M. ^{of the 9th} having been wet through for 7 hours. - Porter started with 8 sters for Washburns. -
 9th Set Lyons & 3 Mrs to collect logs & stumps in the flat for lumber. -
 Arranged my plants. -

Boring logs in flat. J.P.

10th J.P.'s arrived in the afternoon. Mr Turner is to come up to look at the horses. -

Young horses on log fence.

11th In trying to get in 8-2 & 3 yrs old horses they went over the log fence & could not be retrieved. Left some pencils down for them to come in again, after hunting for them for some hours. Mr Turner & Mr Hardwick arrived late, having lost their way. - Porter brought 6 oxen, 7 heifers, & 1 cow from Washburns. -

Mr Turner & Mr Hardwick. Cattle from Washburns.

12th The young horses have returned into their pen & I managed to drive them to the yard at the homestead, with the help of 3 others on horseback & 4 men on foot. - Mr Turner finally agreed to take 1, 5 yrs old filly (Lady Mester), 2, 4 yrs old fillies, 3, 3 yrs old fillies & 4, 2 yrs old fillies, in all 10, at £10 each, & he is to send a man to handle them & take all responsibility connected therewith. - My brother will take 5 or 6 to Washburns also. - Rode to Deloraine, ^{with J.P.} and delivered the petitions for "represent^{ing} assembly" ^{with J.P.} "report^{ing} of transport"; with the parchments to George Hally, Bootmaker, to obtain signatures, & then to forward them to Mr Douglas at Methuen. - Sent Schultz Sailor £5.3.0 in full, & Bonies £1. -

Horses sold to Mr Turner.

Petitions to G. Hally.

pd Schultz & Bonies.

13th Sunday. -
 14th Rode to the dam in Seith's Creek, & arranged for its repair with pickles from the river. - Started for Washburns & stayed at Moreton, the Rev J. Reibey's, for the night. -

Repair dam in Seith's Creek. Moreton.

15th Rode to Washburns. -
 16th At Perth. Visited the parsonage Longford, & named a number of plants for Rev R.R. Davies: - and signed some deeds securing certain property for the use of Mrs ^{of} ^{at} ^{the} ^{town}. - Advertisd the sale of 1000 ewes & wethers, from Cheshunt. -

Washburns. Name plants for Rev R.R. Davies. Signed deeds.

17th Rode through the oats & wheat at Washburns; the crops are very fine. Could not leave for Cheshunt on account of the continued illness of little Lucy. - Spoke to my father concerning the building of a new cottage, of which he did not entirely disapprove. -

Don't sign deeds at Perth. New cottage.

18th Started for Cheshunt, and stopped at Sygalls at Westbury for the night. - Exchanged Jack at Washburns for old Snip. Ridsid³ my mare.

New cottage. For Cheshunt with family. Snip for Jack.

19th Arrived at Deloraine & changed my horse for Kit; and proceeded

Articles from
Wobornick. safely to Cheshunt. Procured some blacking and 3 lbs of Tea from
Wobornick. also on the 14th 2 vegetable-dishes, & 2 jugs. - Found Blackberry
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sheep for sale bought by W Turner. Selected 506 Fat Wethers, and 505 Fat Ewes
for the sale. - Hawkshaw & Wignall to take them. - Sent the remainder
Remainder of the Wethers 438 (by count) to Lane P^k, and the remainder of the Ewes 392
Paddock to Black-gate Paddock. - Drove Srip in the carriage into Mount-

Srip in carriage. Plain, to see Knowles & Rop at the drain; but did not go far enough -
Whiteley's 22nd Bathed. Whiteley's team arrived in the evening bringing flour,
tea &c. - Denning the shepherd named Love came with it, to go with
Denning the fat sheep to Lammerton. - Wignall to go on to Westbury & bring
a flock from there for fattening.

Whiteley's 22nd Started Whiteley's Cart with 38 bags of Oats (39 1/2 lbs to the bush)
team with containing 133 bushels. He left 10 bags at Brownich's. - Bathed
started sheep to in the Meander with G.H. assisted in getting the Ewes & Wethers in
separate lots across the river, (which is very low indeed,) and
counted them again; 506 Wethers, with Wignall & Keller (whom I settled
with yesterday in full, & engaged to go to town with one lot of sheep, & 505
Ewes with Love & Denning. The sheep remained in W.B. Brownich's
yards for the night. - I gave the men orders out Pitcher (Love) & the
landlord of the Traveller's Rest (Wignall) for Thursday night; they are
to remain tomorrow night at Westbury, whither G.H. will go to
arrange for paddocks, & count them off in the morning. - Gave the
men money 18/8 to pay the toll at the Sand-hill. - Fished near
Garnett's by a loaf in the evening, but only killed 3 herrings.

G.H. to 23rd G.H. started for Westbury on Pigrow. - I rode to Gloungy Plain, to
see Knowles & Rop, who had got on pretty well with the cleaning
out of the Drain at Cheshunt. - Hawkshaw's 2 teeth sheep took well.
24th Rode to Mile Drain: Carr & Holding have nearly finished the
cleaning of Main Drain through a mile in length. - My mare
got away from the tree where I had tied her up, breaking
the leading rein & head stall; when I came to her the Pelham
bit was hanging between her legs, while she fed: she let
me catch her readily: I had taken the precaution to return
by the way, I went from her, as matter of importance. -

Bathed with G.H. in the Meander. The sheep arrived at Sygh
Westbury yesterday at 3 o'clock, and started this morning cash
had knocked up, & of which died, & the other was sold for 7/.

Sent Papholdus to Mr Jones
Wm Reid dis-
cheer's
shewing
Kelly's sheep

G.H. counted the lots off all right this morn^g. - I sent a list of Probation Papholdus to Mr Jones. - Settled with Wm Reid & sent him to Mr Wheelis at Port Sorell; pay^d him at the rate of £14 maximum, & 5/ for expenses up to Ceterhunt. - Caught yesterday afternoon near Gazette's Sugar loaf & hearings (having lost by bad tackle) nearly or quite a dozen. - Kelly's sheep were in the yard today. they are improving in health: I counted 744 only shewing a deficiency of 9 (2 being dead) as to the number brought up from Woshams, and of 13 as to the number increased by the 4 from the 2nd lot brought. - Brigstock has reported 4 sheep killed by the wild dog lately. Rode to the Sugarloaf, E. side; the firestick is much wanted there: On my way back I found, on the N. side, a hill of freestone; which may prove useful some day. - All the cattle outside the log fence are looking well. - On the 21st I put the old bull Rob Roy with the best cows, 34 in number in Barn PK, - no word being heard of the Hereford bull from Parschanger. -

4 of Brigstock's sheep killed by wild dog
Sugarloaf 25th
freestone
Rob Roy with cows

8 bags of flour from Deloraine 26th

Sent Bloom to Deloraine for 8 bags of flour left there by Mr Whiteley's cart, & 10 bags of oats, ditto, (1 bag of oats to be emptied for the Saddle at Mr Brownish's, who is to pay for them). -

Bentley
Anopterus in fruit
4 of Brigstock's sheep killed by wild dog

Rode to Bentley with G.H. I went on to the Mersey. Crossed (2 1/2 feet deep) and found the Anopterus glandulosa in fruit. Sit a pine at the foot of magog (?) which ran to his head in half an hour. - Bloom did not bring the oats. - 7 of Brigstock's sheep killed by wild dog.

9 bags of oats from Brownish's
settled with Brigstock
29th paid him

27th Sunday. -
28th Sent Bloom to Mr Brownish's I got back 9 bags of oats, leaving 3 1/2 bushels for the Saddle, Tuthill. commenced castrating and branding the calves, J. Davies operating. - Settled with Brigstock, and paid him £13.15.0 Balm prices, & 16/- for a rug, - in all £14.11.0. -
29th continued & finished the branding &c. - Heifers A.1, 17; ditto A.2, 26 ditto A.3, 8; Steers A, 59; Total 51 Heifers & 59 Steers. - Drew out 42 ewes from Black-gate Park for Storeuse. - Wignall & Bone, with Saugley (bullock driver) arrived bringing a flock of sheep from Woshams. I counted 894, ^{ewes} included a young lamb: - shewing a deficiency of 5 on the number started with. - Wignall accounted for 2.

42 ewes from Black-gate Park
Wignall & Bone
Saugley
sheep from Woshams
price of sheep at the sale
sheep left on the road

The Wethers sent to the sale fetched 6/5 & a few 6/6; the ewes 5/6. - The two lots arrived in Lannerton 38 short of the number that left here. - of which the following is an account. viz: -
3 W. Havelis Rest; 4 W. 6 E. W. Rudger's; 2 W. 2 E. W. Byalls; 1 W. Sold, Anthony; 1 W. dead; 1 W. 6 E. Quamby; 1 W. Harding & Hadspen; 1 W. Hadspen; 6 E. Between Carnick and Ribby's Bridge; Total 14 W. and 20 E.; = 34, leav^g 4 not accounted for. -

Jan 30th
Blacksmith

Jan 31st
Mr Turner's
horses away

Leaves Holding
ditch in Simekiln
Park

Scour of
main drain
1850

Feb 4th
Cattle
feeding

Flood

Shinegate
fe.

Wild dog
among Kelly's
sheep

Woburn

Wrote to 2nd
J.L. about
new money
Paid bills

Rode to Deloraine and brought my letters & papers. - J. Thomas is to try if he can arrange to send me a blacksmith regularly as I have used to come. - Received a note from D. Brack. -

Wm Fox hired by Mr Turner brought a letter from him enclosing a bank receipt for £100, the price of the horses. - I started Davies & Fox with them, Blackaby & Porter going as far as Deloraine, and myself to the Falls: - They were driven safely to Deloraine, - J. Porter & Blackaby returned.

Rode along that part of the main drain scoured by Leary and Holding; and met them at the Simekilns; when I arranged that they should dig a drain 4 ft wide at top 15 inches at bottom, & 2 ft deep, along the E. & N. fences of Simekiln Pk at 9 per rod; - to pay 6/12 for rations each, weekly, drawing the usual quantities. - The cost of scouring the main drain & mile drain opposite Mr Parker's was about £9.12.0

I have now in the paddocks, fattening, 24 steers & 4 oxen on the flat, 19 steers in Sime Park, & 17 heifers in Owen's Park, in all 64 head of cattle. - Last night's heavy rain has caused the Meander to rise over its banks, flooding part of Town Hill Run, carrying away many panels of the fence between it & Dogfence Park. - I rode through the runs to the Shinegate at the river, and remarked that the blind creek above the gate prevented the main current from rushing upon our bank; that a large quantity of water ran down the new channel on the E. side; & that the damming of the W. branch below the gate caused the water to overflow at the bend towards the dogfence: I propose therefore to burn the drift rubbish forming the dam, & to clear out the blind creek; and further open the new channel on the E. side.

Kelly discovered yesterday that the wild dog (which has killed 5 and wounded 15 of Mr Brownie's sheep lately) had been among the sheep in Dogfence Park, and had killed 1 besides wounding 5; 3 also were missing. - The tobacco in Brigstock's former enclosure is looking well & will soon be fit to cut. - Rode through the oat paddocks, Mount Pk &c.; there is abundance of grass. -

Wrote to my Father, requesting that Sims might be sent up and Taylor (who is detained at Woburn) & Martin also; & that £50 more might be paid to my aunt at the W.B. - Sent cheques to Young, Campbell, Chick, & Proprs of S. Examiner.

Wrote to
James Macarthur
River and
fordable.

Wrote to James Macarthur, late of Vineyard. - Sent G.H. with
my letters to Delonaise, but he was unable to cross either
at the ford, or the Falls. -

Feb 3

3rd Sunday. -

Cockspost
graps
beds.
Hills
by the
flood.
Kelly
wrote
a
sheep
Killing
parrots.

4th But Cockspost grasps for seed, in backfoot corner. Rode into Yaman
Hill run, and gave directions for repairing the fences damaged
by the flood. - Kelly has seen 2 of the 3 missing sheep in Sag
June FK; they were wounded. - W. Mannus brought over the
head of a hyaena, which had killed one of Mignall's sheep.
W. was eating it when W. shot it: it had wounded 2 others. -

Wrote
to
Thomas
Smith,
Rogers,
came
for
2
days,
to
shoe
our
horses
&c. -

Walked to Starchy FK, and shot a dozen or so green parrots
& paroquets which were destroying the acats. - John Thomas's
Smith, Rogers, came for 2 days, to shoe our horses &c. -
G.H. rode Jepsie to Westbury with my letters: he saw Mr
Douglas there, who wishes to buy the sheep left at Quamby

Wrote
to
Douglas
there,
who
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buy
the
sheep
left
at
Quamby

on his way back he saw W. Cornick, who will not be able
to pay any more orders, nor [probably] take any more sheep.
G.H. picked up the *Cryptostylis longifolia*, in flower, near
Garrett's sugarloaf, & a small *Prosophyllum*! -

Wrote
to
W. Cornick,
who
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be
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to
pay
any
more
orders,
nor
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any
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sheep.

5th The last ewes from Washburn in the yard: Mignall, Hawkshaw and
Wishart dressing; Kelly bottle-filling. About one third of them were
scabby, and some in a bad state. Used tin-bottles; which, with
half-a-cort, in them, answered very well. - Examined Sir Ray-
mond's foot; and do not think he will ever be sound. - Rogers,
Thomas's Smith, left in the evening: - he has made shoes for 4
horses; repaired several chains, & a work of
bullock dray: &c. - Rode across the lower N. side of our Sugar
loaf: I see the Kangaroo-apple grows there. Could not find
the *Dicladium punctatum*. - Mignall tells me that one of the
sheep bitten by the hyaena is dead, making 2 of his dead. - Wrote
a Memo. for the Insp^t of Stock, Delonaise, of the calves branded
here on the 28 & 29th of Jan^y. -

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here
on
the
28
&
29th
of
Jan^y. -

6th Rode to Garrett's Sugarloaf & fished for an hour; no sport.
Heard that Kangaroos are hunting under Quamby's Bluff. -
Started with Rev W. Williams & W. Porter for the Mts. -
Ascended Cummings's Head & passed the night (during which
there fell 5 hours rain, without wetting us, under my tent)
on the lower land beyond

Wrote
to
Rev
W.
Williams
&
W.
Porter
for
the
Mts. -

8th Walked towards the end of the West Mts, but did not
reach it; returned towards home, stopping in the

Wrote
to
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Williams
&
W.
Porter
for
the
Mts. -

9th Walked towards the end of the West Mts, but did not
reach it; returned towards home, stopping in the

Wrote
to
Rev
W.
Williams
&
W.
Porter
for
the
Mts. -

10th Walked towards the end of the West Mts, but did not
reach it; returned towards home, stopping in the

W. to
Martin & Yaylor
1850
Feb 9th
Returns home

Substr. Rimulet gully for the night. Saw a ewe & lamb on
the mountain: Frenchman's Cap in the far distance bearing
about S.W. - Jos^m Martin & R. Yaylor from Madamus bring^s Spirit Level.
Breakfasted at W. White's & reached to his hunt at about
3 o'clock P.M. - W.W. returned to Deloraine. - Some man's Oats.

10th Sunday -
11th Raining weather -
12th Rode to Entally, & played in a match "11 Amateurs ag^t 11 of
the College Club", my side winning, with 4 wickets to go
down. I obtained 17 in the 1st & 11 in the 2nd inn^{gs}. - Slept at
Entally. J.P. also played in the game. - I was only 3 hours
riding from here to Entally, about 32 miles. -

Whiteley's
Wagon.
Books from
Australia.
Oats to
Woolmers.
Grady from
Deloraine

13th Returned to Cheshunt. Whiteley's wagon arrived bring^s Sugar
tea &c. - Sims, the wheelwright, & Stoner, rough smith, came
with it. - My box of books from England. -

14th Started Whiteley's cart with 15 bags of oats weighing 2082
lbs & 15 bags weighing 2073 lbs infer^r, marked with a X in
chalk. - Sent Blankley to Deloraine with spring cart.
He brought a tea chest with jars &c from Coombe's,
& some slops from Robertson's. -

Carridge
to Garrett's
Sugarloaf.

15th Drove the carriage to the creek near Garrett's Sugarloaf -
and fished in the river. -

Garrett & Holding

16th Rode to see bear & Holding at the ditching in Lime-
Kiln Paddock; & directed them as to further work. -

17th Sunday. Rev W. Williams here. -

18th Rode with W.W. down the river & arranged to meet
him for an hour or two to angle: on my return
home found a man with a special note from my
brother telling me of my Father's serious illness, &
advising me to proceed at once to Woolmers; this was
at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 12 P.M.; at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 1 I was starting for Knapton
and at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 6 I reached it, having stopped an hour
at Westbury. - Read at Syall's, a little work by Mrs
Esther Copley, (called "Early Friendships") with which
I was much pleased. - Found my Father a trifle
easier. - R. D. Kennedy, & wife, A.D.S., Dr W. K., & Dr
J. Macanthur. at Woolmers. -

Woolmers

19th Caught 3 herrings for my Father in the South Esk.
20th R.D.K. I caught 4 herrings in the Lake River. -
Rode to Perth & directed the bricklayers as to

sundry points:-

21st Arranged for 3 men to go to Cheshunt. - R. D. K. & I caught 2 herrings (!) in the S. Esk. - Mrs G. A. gave me a beautiful collection of Tasmanian Algae :-

Algae
Consultation
3 one

22nd Dr Paton (called in for the first time) Dr Pugh & Dr Kilgour held a consultation concerning Mr Paton's state; I decided that there was no probability of a permanent recovery. that he might live 2 or 3 months, but not more; and that during that period sudden death might ensue.

How difficult to realize the near approach of death
NEW DECEASED TO SE FORUMS HOKS JAMES MERGENTHAU

JAMES MERGENTHAU to come to Cheshunt on Tuesday next. - Started at 1/2 past 10 o'clock for home & arrived safely (sans dog) at 7 PM. Carted the last of the gats from Stokely's Park.

Jim
Cheshunt
Wignall's sheep killed
Here from Washburns

23rd The wild (?) dogs have been among Wignall's sheep, killing 1, & mauling several. - Thunder, lightning & rain. Two men, Wm Adams & Jas Munro, paperholders, arrived from Washburns. Geo: Jones, Freeman, has not arrived. Set fire in the forenoon to the drift timber below the sluiceway at the Meander; it burned fiercely, but I fear the rain has put it out before its work was completed. -

Drift-wood below sluiceway gate

24th Sunday. -

25th Geo: Jones, Freeman, from Washburns, arrived yesterday. - Sheep from Bull Park (last from Washburns) dropped. Counted 892 ewes & 1 Lamb, - 1 ewe dead. - Sold two mares Violet & Jessie to Mr Arthur Maynes for £15, to be paid in 1 month; and exchanged with him two mares Snip & Gipsy for a black colt by agreement out of Jessie (my pony mare).

Man from Washburns
1 ewe dead
Ewes dropped
Mr Arthur Maynes
Sold mares
Stray sheep
Bushrangers

Hawkshaw drove from his run to the homestead this morn^g 2 Rams & 2 Wethers branded WK (Wurthimbury) & 1 Wether branded O on offside. - 4 bushrangers in this neighbour^h.

26th Porter & Blackaby took the 4 mares for Mr Maynes to Deloraine & delivered them safely to him: on the way back Porter's mare (got away from him & strange to say) was lost on Wignall's sheep run, with saddle & bridle. Wignall came for two sheep to drop wounded sheep, & told me that he had found several dead & wounded, in all 14 since shearing; reducing his flock to 1182; but could neither see nor hear anything of the dog or dogs that did the mischief: - they must belong to

4 mares to Deloraine
Porter's mare got away
Wignall's sheep
killed Wignall's
the dogs

The Haggatts.
17 Wethers
drawn out.
Dog among
Kelly's sheep.

the Kangaroos. - Hawkshaw got in his Wth Plain flock:
drew from it 17 Fat Wethers, and counted the remainder 766
including 2 of the West End sheep. - Put the Wethers with his
flock in Lane Park. - Kelly tells me that he has found
sheep killed by dogs, and several wounded; there is 1
missing also. - C. H. started for Longford on Jessie. -

Feb 27
Superior
PK sheep.
Macarthur.
Davies
Jorney Hill
flock.

27. Kelly brought in his Superior-Park flock, I counted 273 showing a
deficiency, compared with those put on the run, of 14.
J. Macarthur came. - Walked through the paddocks. Trees very fat,
Wethers fat. Cattle improving. - John Davies - ceage. -

2 hills to
Woolmers
March 1st
Woolmers
PK

28. Kelly's Lower Hill flock in the yard for dressing counted 741. -
there are 5 dead, & wanting 9. - Told him to mix them with
the Superior PK sheep, & having bedded them to watch them at
night. - John Davies started with a 3yr old & a 4yr old filly
for Woolmers. - Rode up the Meander, & across Stocker's Plain. -

Oats
Yoads from
Woolmers.
2nd
Mowing
oats, q men.

March 1st
Woolmers
PK
Oats
Yoads from
Woolmers.
2nd
Mowing
oats, q men.

Woolmers left for Longford. - Rode across Stocker's Plain with him.
Moved the Store Wethers from Bull PK to Lane PK and the Fat
Wethers to Mount PK. - Kelly mixed 275 Wethers from Superior
PK with those in Lower Hill. - Walked to the floodgate PK &
found the oats ripening throughout. - Synons to Deloraine, &
brought back some goods from Corbetta's & Robertson's Beets. -

3rd
Sunday
4th
Took away
the calves
of the young
keepers, and
put them in
Black Gate
Park. - Told
Porter to milk
6 cows for the
house, so that
some salt-butter
may be made.

3rd Sunday
4th Took away the calves of the young keepers, and put them in Black Gate Park. - Told Porter to milk 6 cows for the house, so that some salt-butter may be made. - Drove to the bank of the Meander opposite to the Cley-topped Pines, and bank. - There is a sheep pen at Mr Bramwich's. There was a severe frost this morning which has damaged the potatoes & tobaccoe &c. -

6 cows
in milk
1 sheep at
Bramwich's
Mr Kimberley's
5 sheep
Small fish

Mr Kimberley sent back away 2 Rams & 3 Wethers which Hawkshaw found on his run. - Drove to the floodgate and with C. H. caught 40 of the small sprat-like fish (which abound in all our rivers, & some of

20 ewes +
6 or 7 for
slaughter
sheep branded
Guthill
had hands

them nearly 4 inches long. - Drew out 20 ewes from Black-
gate Park to Wethering from W.P.K. for slaughter. - Put with
them in starchyard the straps sharp branded O on the
ribs. - Mr Brammich's man (Guthill the saddler) came
here with a swelled little finger, which I lanced and
squeezed for him. -

March 6th
Herring

Rode to Deloraine with C.H. for my letters, & fished for 2 hours
or so, only catching 2 herrings. -

Brigstock's
flock
Brough
Blacksmith
Simeon

7th Rode to Simethil, and saw a large number of Brigstock's
sheep, which are looking much improved from the dressing
they have had, and in capital condition. - The brush flag
fence between Field's land Tom's is becoming very low. -
The Blacksmith, for Mr. Simeon, arrived, and I tried him
for the time, the wheelwright is here, at 15/- per week, this
nation. - Sam Holding finished ditching in Simethil P.K.

Corr. & H.
Simeon
New job in
Main Drain

8th Rode down the Main Drain; examined the work done
by Sam H. in Simethil P.K., and arranged for damming
the Main Drain, so as to throw the water towards the
Irrigatⁿ Channel, along a ditch running E. & W. along a
fence through Flowering Plain, in order to allow of the
Main Drain being scooped out. - I think that the land
towards the Halls is by far the most valuable on the
Cheshunt property: - when drained and laid down in
grass it will keep 1000 more sheep through the year
than I can now. -

Valuable land
towards the
Halls

Saw the Hoggets in Mountain Plain: they are looking well.
also the young horses. -

Hoggets

Blackaby
to cook
Jessie a
mist

9th Arranged that Blackaby should cook for the harvest men, so
as to prevent the great loss of time incidental to their coming
home to cook for themselves. - Discovered that our servant-
girl, Jessie Jordan, has been guilty for some time past of a
series of petty thefts, principally of articles adaptable to gay
attire, & suggestant of lady like appearance, according to her ideas.
Determined to part with her. - Blackaby, whom I sent to
Deloraine with letters, brought me word that the bushrauger
was taken at or near Campbell Town. Dieu merci! -

Bushrauger
taken

Dog shot
Storker's Plain

He also tells me that Mr Brammich's people have shot
a dog which was killing one of their sheep: he is a
tall brindled Kangaroo dog, with a white flank; evidently
belonging to one of the hunters. -

March 10th Sunday.

2 acres killed by dogs 11th 2 of the eweflock (lost from Wootmans) were killed yesterday by a dog, in Marsh Meadow & Lane Park. — Went to the top of Cummings's Head with Blackaby. —

C.H. to Songford 12th C.H. went to Carrick today enroute to Songford for medical advice about his smelted neck: — I wrote by him to Jordan the father of our last hired servant girl "Jessie", to come & take away his daughter, who has been discovered to be an irreclaimable thief & liar. Rode to Deloraine in the afternoon, & back. Angled in company with Y. & J. Reiby, & killed 3 herrings. —

Angling Excursions to the Mersey 13th Breakfasted at Rev^d M. Williams's, Saftwoods rode with him the Messrs Reiby & W Winter to Dunolau House, putting up our horses there & at Mr Russell's. Blackaby met me there. We then walked (except W Winter, who rode) to the Mersey, about 5 miles or so; and angled till night.

Y.R. killed 1 herring, J.R. 3, W Winter 0, & I 10, most of them very small. W Winter & W Williams returned home.

During the night J.R. & I caught about 3 dozen small blackfish trout; and early in the morning he killed 9 large herrings, Y.R. 1 small, & I 5 large & small. — We returned to our horses, dining at Russell's, where we were treated very hospitably. He told us that Mr J^{no} Aschra was getting for 200 acres of pasture land 550 cows (giv^g the calves in) a rent of £250 per annum. — Russell milks 40 cows, & makes about 240 lbs of butter per week: — he appears to be doing well. — Returned home in the afternoon.

Rest of week's time

James Dunn, blacksmith arrived on the 13th, having been hired to take the place, at Wootmans, of Speckman who is to leave shortly: Dunn is to remain here until S. leaves. — Simcox is to leave as soon as the harvest is finished. — Wignall sent over 8² skins of sheep yesterday.

10 skins from Wignall. Jordan came.

Finished mowing

Jas Jordan, who arrived yesterday evening, took home his daughter, & I paid him £1.12.6 wages for her, deducting 7/6 for articles destroyed. — Wrote to J. Reiby, to hire the daughter of Cooper the miller, near Westbury, for one. — Finished the mowing yesterday & commenced carting the oats today. —

14th Sunday — Rev^d W Williams here. —

18th Sent Sims with the light cart to Deloraine, expecting

Goods from Selbourne

March 19th Kelly's sheep

Colt for 2 mares

Small kiln charcoal

Angling

Mr Scott

Kelly's acct of his sheep

500 ewes about for sale

Set scow of grain down to scow

Charcoal

Mares

Safes

Ewes & Wethers for Sale

Kelly Adams

Herrings

Tobacco 2nd crop

to find Cooper's daughter there, but she had not arrived. Sims brought goods from Corbetts. Rode down myself & back.

Kelly's sheep in the yard for dipping; nearly cured. I counted, with 98 brought in by themselves afterwards, 1015; 1 killed giddy & 9 still missing. - John Davies brought up a colt by a Cleveland horse out of a Waterloo mare belonging to W.S. Winter, for which with £6 to boot, I gave a bay & a black 4yrs old mare; 2 of our worst: - The colt is rising 3yrs old. - Snell this morn'g are burning a kiln of charcoal for me, as I have no men to spare for the job. - Rev M. Williams here in the evening.

20th Rode to Delbraine & back with W.W. in the afternoon for the letters. Killed 3 herrings. - Discharged Jeremiah Simcox the blacksmith & put Dunn & Storer in the shop.

21st Mr Scott, Surveyor, who is defining the courses of the Meander & creeks in this neighbourhood, called: I gave him information, & some fresh meat. - Drove into Barb' Meanch in the afternoon; & saw some of Brigstock's sheep, which were looking healthy. - Kelly gives me account of his sheep thus, 11 dead & killed by dog in Saffene PK; 7 dead in Yarn Hill & 2 giddy 1019 (4 since the 19th) in Saffene PK now: Total 1039; ^{41 in stacks, giddy} wanting 8, ~~before~~. 500 ewes are to be advertised for sale in Sammerton on Thursday the 28th inst.

22nd Rode along the Main Drain, where Carr & Holding are at work; & agreed to give them 1/- per rod for scowing it. We have our stacks thatched, & all snug against rain.

23rd Snell's kiln of charcoal turned out about 20 bushels of dirty light coal. - Cutting the second crop of Tobacco. - When shall we put it? Set Brown to make safes for the men's huts.

24th Sunday.

25th Mustered the 6-teeth ewes, and selected for the Sale 316, leas^d 11 (in Bull Pad^k) for our own use. Yarded the 6-teeth Wethers, & drew out 204 for the Sale, leaving 238, which were put in Dblegate PK. - I started Kelly, with Wm Adams (Agincourt), with the lot, in all 520 sheep; giving him £2.10.0 to pay all expenses, for which he was to account to W Joseph.

Bouney gave a peck of fish for the sheep during the night. - I angled, while waiting for the sheep's arrival at Delbraine, and hooked with the artificial fly - (~~principally the mayfly~~) - no filthy gentle attached to it - a dozen fish, only killing 7 however. - Cutting the second crop of Tobacco.

March 26th Wignall came to dress the Store Ewes, but Hawkshaw who went down with Kelly yesterday has not returned. The ewes from the weathers of the tobacco-water at the last dressing are worse, as to scab, instead of better. Rode to Deloraine to look up Hawkshaw, who was drinking at Hann's Publichouse; came back by the Falls; Brigstock's Wethers, which he is now dressing ~~are~~ looking as when I last saw them on the run. Commenced taking up Potatoes. Wignall, in coming over this morning, saw the two wild dogs which harass his flock; one a kind of sheep dog, shortlegged, smooth-haired, white on face & breast & tip of tail; - the other a whitish cattedog, with some dark patches on him: the very dogs which I saw once near Field's stock-paddock, with a third which I believe has been killed. - Sent Porter after them with his dogs, but he saw nothing of them. - Rode again to Deloraine & brought my letters; Hawkshaw still at Hann's. - Rev W. W. came with me. - Wignall helped Wignall part of today. -

Store ewes dressed.
Wignall.
Hawkshaw absent.

Brigstocky in dressing
Potatoes.
2 wild dogs

Hawkshaw absent.

In coming this morning, Wignall found a ewe belonging to the Log fence Padk, with scab on her, among his sheep. He finished the Store Ewes today; & I moved them all into Bright's Hill. - Indigging up the Potatoes today, some roots were met with, yielding from 50 to 64 (counted) tubers each. Brown is making cupboards for the men's huts; - one with 2 shelves for each hut. - Hawkshaw not here.

Scabby ewe 28th
Wignall's sheep
Finished dressing Store ewes
Prolific Potatoes.
Cupboards for men
Hawkshaw absent.

Good Friday. - Read "Morning Prayers" at Wailack; the men went to work in the afternoon. - Rode to Upper Bee Padk to superintend the building of a kiln of charcoal, not being at all satisfied with those lately put up, which have been failures. - Went to Hawkshaw's hut at Native Plain; he had not returned; the West End Sheep, and Mountain Plain Haggets are looking well. - Saw Knowles & Pop at the source of Irrigating Channels: they have grained at the bottom to go through: - Returned to the charcoal kiln; & proceeded thence to the Leiths Creek gate of Irrig' Chan, which I almost let down. I see the water breaks out of the Chan above the Salt Padk, along a tree which has fallen at the lower side.

Good Friday.
Charcoal.
Hawkshaw's failures.

Gap in Irrig' Chan.
Deductions from 30th Hawkshaw's wages.

Rode to Mr Rook's, the Retreat, the engine of Mr James which would be a fair deduction from Hawkshaw's wages (he

Hawkshaw's misconduct.

having returned) on acct of his misconduct, in remaining away from his work for more than 4 days; in neglecting to come & dress sheep, thereby obliging me to call Wignall from his run (where the wild dogs are lying) for that purpose; in neglecting to count Kelly's lot for the sale on the morning they left Deloraine. We agreed that he ought to pay at least £4, inasmuch as his sentence, if taken to Westbury, wd be that his whole wages due wd be mulct'd & he wd be sent to the treadmill for a month. - Sent B Leekaby with a horse cart to Wignall's, & brought home 5 sheep, belong to the last lot from Woolmers.

5 Store ewes from Wignall's

1850 31st Sunday.

James & Co. Jones left. Saffers sheep. Hawkshaw's sheep. County to Hawkshaw's

April 1st Started Geo: Jones P.P. & James Munro P.P. to Woolmers. - Saffers P^k flock in the yards. Dressed by Brigstock & Hawkshaw who consent to forfeit the £4, but hopes that future good behaviour would induce me to diminish the amt. - I said that I should not be unwilling to consider the matter. - Went out with W. J. Winter of Woodlands Quail-shooting; we killed 30 1/2 brace of birds; and missed very few shots; indeed out of the first 40 shots we only missed 3, (W.W. 1, S 2.) - W. Winter returned home by moonlight; I gave him 20 brace of the quails.

Quail. W. Winter

Charcoal.

2nd Superintended the quenching of charcoal kiln, & the drawing also. 2 cartloads in half the kiln; still on fire in places. - J. Edwards found 1 of the sheep dressed yesterday dead (smothered in a ditch) in Barn Padk. - Two sheep are dead also in addition of the Store ewes both giddy. - Tho's Porter, shepherd, arrived to take Kelly's place. - He brought a letter from my Brother giv' an acct of the Sale in town.

1 Bay ewe dead. 2 Store ewes dead. Tho's Porter.

Sales.

Kelly left 79 sheep* on the road, as follows, viz. (*W. only.)

Sheep left on the roads - accord to Kelly's account -

"Turner", Butcher(?) Westbury	10
Quamby's	21
"Ashmole", Tall Bar, Billwood	12
"Blegg", Miller, Carrieth	20
"Poole", Innkeeper, Hadsper;	22
"Pitcher", ditto, Sandhill,	1
"Mich ^l Whiteley & - Williams	2

Total - 79

Price of sheep at Sale. Porter's wages.

The Wethers sold at 7/- to 7/0; the Ewes at 6/6 to 6/10: the average of the whole being 6/10 1/2. - Tho's Porter hired on 3rd March 1850 at £18 per annum. Had not the Fields just started selling meat at 1 1/2 per lb, the Wethers would have fetched 8/6; the Ewes 7/6.

April 3rd Blackaby whom I have set to to line the fresh sheepskins today
turned in the second lot of wool he has taken off. - Shot a
"Lassie" today & brace of quail, only bagging 6 brace. - Sold to
Mr Tho Bramich, 30 W. at 7/6: he paid me in cash, £11.5.0. -
Brought in the last of the charcoal today: the Kiln turned out
well. -

4th Started for Woolmers & stopped at the "Westbury Inn" (Sygall's) for the night;
6 of us, self & wife & 2 children, Mrs Symons & Eliza M. -
5th Reached Woolmers. - Found my Father looking very much better than when
I last saw him. -

6th, 7th / Sunday, 8th. At Woolmers. - Practising at cricket, on the 6th, at Longford. -
9th The return cricket-match of the College Club agst Amateurs was to have
come off today, but there was heavy rain in the morning which pre-
vented it. - On the 8th I killed, below Doctor's Bend, 10 herrings, with fly. -

10th My Brother & I drove with Jessie in the gig to the College, and
had a good game with the Club. - Robert Kerquade came on the 8th & left
this morning. I went to Longford Hall with him & inspected its condition. -
Grove with Rattlers from Perth in my carriage was with Drury
with 2. M. to whom I gave £10 to Franklin Village, to make purchases, & back to Woolmers, where
Snip had taken us in the moon. - Bought £5.13.0 worth of books for B. Pap.

11th At Woolmers. - Making drawings of galvanic apparatus. -
12th Angling with Compton Abbott (Lieut. 18th Royal Irish). We killed 3 1/2
dozen herrings principally above Drumming's Mill at Perth. -
13th Sunday. At Perth, as also last Sunday. -

14th & 15th & 16th At Woolmers. Making out a statement of my Father's
monetary affairs; by which it appeared that we can pay off
the Bank & all other debts on the 1st of April 1855. - This amt
includes £8000 Bank debt, & part of same. Kerous's 2000£, Bonney's £500
&c &c. -

17th The Return Match postponed until today, came off, with a good
muster of players, but very poor play on our side. The Collegians
who bowled & fielded very prettily, beat us thoroughly; viz in one
innings with 23 runs to spare. - We scored 1st Inn 46 & 22 in the
2nd, in all 68 runs: while the College Club made 91 in their Inn.
The deciding match was arranged to take place at Entally on Saturday
week, the 27th inst. -

18th Having gone over the Debts Account again & made fresh cal-
culations, and copies of statements, we started for Chestnut
taking Chase as far as Leamington; & stopped for the night at Sygall's
Inn, Westbury. -

19th Purchased 18/- worth of artificial flies from W. H. Dennis; -

Wool off
skins.
Dress.
30 W to Mr
Bramich.
Charcoal.

Woolmers.
"en famille".

Cricket.

Herrings.
College
Cricket.
Society and Hall.
Source letters.
Books from
Brydges.

Herrings.

Making out
statement of
our monetary
affairs.

College.
Return match
of cricket.

Chestnut
Artif. flies.

Drive round the Beefeater.
Started onwards & reached Chestnut by "The Yalls" road (the Meander not being fordable for the carriage) at about 5 o'clock; Co. H. who overtook us, on Jessie, on the Ykat, arrived with us. —
John Sims. April 20th Found that Sims the wheelwright had completed the repairs of the various carts, drays, &c., & arranged, that he should go to Woodmen on Monday the 22nd inst. —

21st Sunday. Archdeacon Davies was to have come, but did not. —

Sims to Woodmen. 22nd Started John Sims. — Mr. Thos. Branich came and purchased 20 Wethers at 7/6, for which he paid cash, & took them away. — Rode to the Yalls, and examined the adjoining ground, with a view to putting up a fence enclosing a paddock for the sheep while being drest. — Disch^d John Wishart, & hired Geo. Philcox T.L. ^(months in his place) at the same wages, for 6

John Wishart disch^d & hired Philcox T.L. 23rd The fat steers from the Ykat and Obligate Pk in the yard: Drew out 10 small ones for home-use in Obligate Pk; & put the rem^d 24 on the Ykat again. — Mr. J. Winter & Mess^{rs} J. & J. Arthur, his brothers-in-law, came; and we had an hour or two of practice at Cricket.

Mr. J. Winter & Mess^{rs} J. & J. Arthur. Rode afterwards to Mount "Plain" & inspected Knowles's & Paps's work at the "Irrigating Chan^l", and also Lewis's & Holding's work at the Main Drain: — they have now made a dam above the Sims Kiln Pk, and turned the water down the drains which they cut in it. — Drawing plans for R. 2. K.

Drawn for R. 2. K. 24th Drawⁿ plans for R. 2. K. — Sent Blackaby to Woodlands, for a Pointer, a young dog given to me by Mr. Winter. — Rode through Yaven Hill: & found, on coming through the Ykat, on my way home, 2 panels opening down between Field's land & our's. —

Wignall's loss of sheep. 25th Working at R. 2. K's plans, & the drawings of alarm apparatus for Woodmen. — Wignall tells me that he has lost 36 sheep since shearing. —

Wignall's loss of sheep. 26th Completed the above drawings as far as I could. — Rode to Ectally; & found the Bishop there and Mr. Parker: stopped the night there.

Wignall's loss of sheep. 27th Playing in a match of cricket of "The Gentlemen of the North" agst the College: I could 4 wickets down in the 1st Innings of the College & caught 1 man out; but was most unlucky with my bat; only standing agst 3 balls

Wignall's loss of sheep. Returned home round Beefeater. — I in 1st Inn^g, & 2 in the 2nd. — Left them at 4 o'clock and returned home, being obliged to ride round the Beefeater, owing to the height of the Meander. — Hawkshaw & Porter were drest the Store Ewes yesterday. —

28th Sunday. —

Wignall's loss of sheep. 29th Drest the Store Ewes. Porter has brought in 20 cows from outside the paddocks (9 from Westernbreeks) with calves, unbranded. — Rode through the English-grass Paddocks, & found the pastures in them

Killed a giddy store ewe.
Cattle in
Back Marsh

Very short. - Killed a giddy store ewe for the dogs. - There are 30 head of cattle in Back Marsh & 0 head in Knight's Corner.

April 30th Dripping the store ewes. Stormy weather. -

May 1st Finished dripping the ewes. Brigstock sent me word that he had found a sheep killed near the Main Drain, and had tracked from its neighbourhood a large dog towards W Parker's: that Harrison had gone over to see the overseer; and found that (by the cook's admission) the dog had been loose all night, and refused usual food in the morning: - The circumstances stated rendering it suspicious that the large dog, belonging to W.P., had killed & partly eaten the sheep. I wrote to W Eastley, the overseer, that he had better take means to keep the dog tied up, or I should be obliged to adopt measures for the prevention of the evil in future. - Rode through the paddocks, the pasture in most of which is getting short. - C.H. went today to Longford.

W Parker's
Caret dog

Branded
steer & heifer
cows
from Dublin

2nd castrated & branded 13 ~~steer~~ calves & branded 13 heifer calves in all 24. - Blackaby brought from Deloraine a fender from Corbetta, a parcel of soap, Essence Ginger Pills from Young, and 2 collars & 2 bridles from W Sheehy: these are to complete the payment for the horse "Samky". -

W Parker's
overseer
dog

W Parker's overseer, W Eastley, came and advised to disabuse my mind of the idea that his ~~overseer's~~ dog killed the sheep above named: he said that nevertheless the dog should be kept fast for the future. - C.H. away. -

Painting
fields talking
away calves

3rd Brown finished the new outer painting. - The fields are talking away their calves today. - Stormy unpleasant weather. - Busy at my accounts. -

French
bedstead
for Woodburn
Dag Tax

4th Ordered French bedstead & mattress of Best, for Woodburn. - Sent a "list & description" of all the taxable dogs ⁽²³⁾ on the property; together with a cheque for the amount of the duty (£3.16.0) to W Jones, A.P.M. Woodburn. - The grass is becoming very short in the paddocks. -

5th Sunday. -

6th Arranged for 4 men from the Homestead with Carr & Holding, Jobbers, to form a gathering-paddock at the Falls: Carr & H. have completed the scouring of Main Drain up to where the Limekiln Padth fence meets it. - Knowles & Ross have nearly a mile of the Irrigat^o Channel to complete up to Mount Padth. Rode through Mountain Plain. - Rode to the Falls & marked out the line of gathering padth fence; which is to be constructed of flogs. -

Gathering
paddock
Scouring
Main Drain
Marking out
fence

new birds completed 36 per
 Dogs at Chestnut. registered May 4th 1850. -

Name	Sex	Age	Description	Breed	Price
Wells 7.6	Male	2	White with sandy patches	Pyrenees ^{Wolf} _{dog}	
	"	1	Black, long haired. white ^{muzzle}	Sheepdog	30
	Female	age	" white on face, chest & tip of tail	"	
H. Symons 4.0	"	"	White with black patches	Spaniel	the best
	"	1	Black, long-haired small	Mongrel	
W. Porter 1.0.0	Male	3	Sandy yellow, short tail.	Cattle dog.	1.11
	"	4 1/2	Black, tan muzzle & feet	"	
	Female	1 1/2	Reddish-yellow	"	all
J. Briggstock 1.5.0	Male	2	" " <u>large</u>	Mongrel	w m
	Male	age	Black short haired	Sheepdog	d.
	Female	2	" long haired	"	ifus
J. Hankshaw 4.0	Male	2	Reddish yellow <u>large</u>	Mongrel	out
	"	age	Black & tan & white <u>small</u>	"	0 bri
	Male	1 1/2	Yellow long haired	Sheepdog	at 2
J. Porter 7.6	"	2 1/2	Black short haired	"	old
	Male	3	Black, tan muzzle & legs	"	ould
	"	2	" & white white muzzle	"	run
R. Wignall 4.0	Female	1 1/2	" white muzzle & feet.	"	them
	Male	age	" long haired	"	after
J. Edwards 4.0	"	2 1/2	" " "	"	ried
	"	1	Greyish brindle, white belly & legs	"	ow 7
£3.16.0	Female	3	Black & tan & white.	"	with
		2.3			

17th The sharp frosts have cut off

May 7th John Edwards went to draw stuff for the fence at the Falls
Leaving to the Falls
of at sheep
with 6 oxen, taking a dray load of hay with him; there will be
5 men at the fence, 1 keeping back.

8th Field's butcher came to say that the Mess^{rs} Field would buy
all the fat sheep we have to spare. - Sent my young sheep
dog "Driver" to Wignall, to take charge of for me. - C.H. returned

9th Rec^d notice of the arrival of two pointer-pups from Adelaide
from "Peri" from Mr G. Rutland; - they are at the Cornwall Water.

10th Inspected and counted Hampshire West End sheep 682; 4 are with
Haggets (now 5) and 8 mising. - Counted 762 Haggets - 1 dead + 2 with the
Falls flock, 12 unaccounted for; 5 of W. end sheep are with them. - Drove
out 1 W. end sheep + 2 Haggets, giddy, into Bright's Hill. - J. Dunn to Woolman

11th Store lines in the yard. Counted 394 Best including 1 stranger (O)
+ 1 2nd to Whitegate P.K. and 497 to Blackgate P.K. 2 mising.
8 dead since they came. - Rode to the Falls and found that the
men had completed 34 panels of log fence, laid bottom-logs for 12
other panels: spans few, far off, & heavy.

12th Sunday.
13th Sold to Mr Wm Branich 30 Wethers at 7/6; free £11.5.0 in notes & bills
for them. W Branich gave the butcher, cause; and I sold him 30, 3 Hops
old steers at £4.4.0 per head; 14 Heifers, 3 y^o old, at £3.3.0 per head; + 4 Oxen
at £5.15.0 per head; in all 48 head for £193.2.0. - 24 to be taken
next week, + the remainder within a month afterwards.

14th The calves (not all) in the yard. Drove out 59 steers and drove them to Knight's
Corner; 3 mixed with the Heifers, 52, into Bee Padk. 1 Bull calf to Bright's
Hill; he is by Robin Hood, out of -

Let Mr G. Branich have 1500 bricks, at 12/6 per 1000; he being a neighbour. - The
Lutbill had 6 bushels of oats at 2/- - On my way from Knight's Corner (where I
saw about 40 head of 1 + 2 y^o old cattle) I found that the fence of the new
enclosure at the Falls would be finished by about Friday. - Brigstock
had his sheep ~~in~~ (some of them) in yesterday: he says that they are scabbing
faster than he can cure them. - Dressing Store lines.

15th Rode to Deloraine in the afternoon for letters &c. Remained at the Res^t
Mr Williams for the night. Tried for a few hearings unsuccessfully. - Dress^{ing} line

16th 30 years of age today. >ΠΩΩ ΤΕΣ ΕΕΕ ΝΩΩ ΠΕΥ ΕΟΕΛΕΩΩ! - J. Thomas of
Deloraine is to supply me with 2 loads of lime. - Dressing Store lines: finished

17th The sharp frosts have cut off the pasturage very much: stock do not
improve in condition here after the 1st of May. - but the wings of 93 fowls
I imprisoned them in the Poultry yard: there are about 30 still out.

18th Rode to the Falls: inspected the new enclosure which was finished

30 y^o to
Mr Branich
Mr Branich gave
40 y^o cattle

The calves
Bull calf

Brick to
Mr Branich
Oats to
Cattle in
New Fence
Falls sheep
Dress^{ing} line

Deloraine

Poultry

Halls enclosure.
New gate.
Yeast box.
3 sheep put out.
this afternoon; 4 of our men returned home; Edwards to remain with the oxen for 3 days to clear the road, with care of Holding, drains spans for the sheepyards &c. Sent down, by Symons, a new gate with articles required to hang it complete. - Worked at a tool box to hold my chisels &c. &c. Made it handy with slips, hinges, & lock keys. - There are 3 of Brigstock's sheep still with W Parber's. -

May 19th Sunday. -

Snell & House
Cattle to Mr Braungrove.
20th Counted & calculated the measurement of the stuff sawn by Snell & House and found the amount 13407 sup^t 4th eeb. - The ewes are improving in condition. - Prepared for turning out my bay mare. - Cattle to Mr Braungrove.
21st Settled with & discharged Jas House, Snell's mate; - paying him £17. 8. 9.

Finished the Halls enclosure.
Care Snell & House.
Halls & Snell.
Drove to the Halls. - Car finished hanging the gate; & the road has been cleared off fallen logs. - Edwards returned home. - Car arranged that Snell should join him & Holding. - Gave them a new spade, & 2 new graft^s tools. - Porter returned from Westbury, having left the cattle viz. 4 oxen

Cattle sold to Mrs. W. B.
7 steers, and 15 cows - (2 aged) in all 26 heads safely with W B. -

Pointers pups from Adelaide.
Yellow.
22nd Rode to Deloraine to have a day's shooting with W Winter but he was engaged. - Sent Blackaby with the cart to Deloraine, & brought back two cream-coloured pointer-pups. - Sent from Adelaide by W S. Rutland: - they are very superior animals to any I have seen in the country. - Weighed 2 casks of tallow - viz. 1 - 3. 1. 4 & the other 2. 3. 25 - Grafts. - Engaged John Black & Co.

Log fence Padk.
Black.
to split palings for cart sheds &c. - at 3/- per 100 for 4 feet, & 4/- for 5 feet paling. - Porter's Log fence Padk flock counts 1008, (8 dead, wounded by dogs & giddly, since he came, -) 4 missing since April 4th. 1 of them with store ewes. -

Spirit Level.
23rd Adjusted my spirit level, by experiment, on the lawn. - Examined Bee Pk^t and the bush padk above, for sheep; visit the Ewes in Black-gate Pk. - ^{Wishes to buy} ^{new crops}

Swelling.
24th Levelled for a water course from the Chant on this side of Seith's Bridge to the fence of Bull Padk, for irrigating it; rounded the low ground below the old cottage, so as to give the means of watering that also. - Porter & Hawkshaw dropping the Best Stone Ewes, which are much cleaner, & fit for the butcher. - Had Roup, (the Pointer given to me by W Winter) shot; on acct of his bad education; - and galloworous habits. - Queen's Birthday. -
Vivats Regina! -

Heifer calves to the Sugar-loaf watercourse at Shingate.
25th Drove 52 Heifer & 3 steer calves to the Sugar-loaf run. - Inspected the watercourse made at the turn in the Meander above the main sluice gate; & found that it was much choked with drift wood; but it evidently carries off a large portion of the water, in time of flood. - Brushed the fence between Bee Pk^t & Davis's Pk^t to prevent the Ewes, which are to be moved from Doublegate Pk^t, from getting through. -

May 26th Sunday.

Barr H^o
Frigate-shant.
Chilloglottes.
Meat-house.
Spring

27th Rode to the main drain at Black Bog, where Carr, Holding & Snell are at work: they will soon finish all that requires sewing. - Found that Knowles & Pops have made goods way lately at the Frigate-shant. - Dressed 2nd lot of store ewes. - Memo: "Chilloglottes diphylla" in fruit. -

28th Getting ready for building meat-house. - Arranged for forming a paddock adjoining Stockyard for feeding Oxen &c. - Collected & described some Fungi.

29th Rev^d M. Williams came in the afternoon and remained for the night.

Barr H^o

30th Carr H^o have finished the main drain up to their dam, about a quarter of a mile below the turn at backfoot Corner. - Hearing that Whiteley's wagon, on the way here with iron &c., had stuck fast between Deloraine and the Falls, I sent C. H. to reconnoitre.

Whiteley's wagon

He returned with the wagon at about 10 o'clock: - 36 bars of iron have been left behind at a cottage. - Some apples & quinces, raspberry jam, Marsala wine (3 doz.) Geology & Mineralogy specimens (from England) & books (bought of D. Pugh) are among the articles brought; besides a large number of fruit & other trees. - Springthorpe, Bricklayer came.

Springthorpe

31st Started Whiteley's wagon with the 2 casks of Yallow ^{cut at lb.} 6. 1. 1, 24 bags of oats containing 84 bushels & weighing gross 3387 lbs ^{cut at lb.} 30. 0. 27. - 1 box of books viz: "Brown's Prod. Flor. Nov. Hall" for D. Sillie; "Vegetable Kingdom"; "Musci Præteriti" (W. V.) for D. Valentine; - "Whiston's Josephus" & "Persecutions in Madagascar" for W. Archer of Woolmers; Laundry books for Rev^d W. Stackhouse.

Started the wagon

also 1 Tub $\frac{3}{4}$ full of money for R. L. Kemade; - & 1 Sheepdog (pup) for Grace Shephard at Woolmers. - Sent W. Bloom with a cart & 3 horses to take down part of the oats to Deloraine, and bring back some lime, and ~~also~~ the iron left by Whiteley's Carter: - he returned (Blackaby being with him on snip) at 9 o'clock, having upset the cart in a stony creek between the Falls & the Redgate, - left it there. -

Bloom upset cart.

Washed out a drain through Black Bog, 5 feet wide at top, 18 inches at bottom and 2 ft 6 in deep, for Carr H^o to be done at 13 per rod. - Busy setting out the fruit trees, from Woolmers, in the late potato-grounds. -

Barr H^o
New ditch in Black Bog

June 1st Set out all the remain^d fruit trees, in all 117. - Dressed best store ewes & counted 392, being 2 more than the proper number, 4 having been slaughtered. Bloom & Edwards with Taylor went for the iron &c: the horse-cartmen's shaft & front rails are broken, so that Edwards brought the iron, with

Best store ewes

8 bags of lime from J. Thomas, & a parcel of sugar & oatmeal from C. U. Campbell. - Joined J. Edwards's wags at 13 per annum. -

J. Edwards's wags

2nd Sunday. Rev^d M. Williams here.

3rd Made up the best store ewes to 400 and started them off.

400
Ewes for
Sale
Carr. & Co.
Meat-house
Monetons
Carrick
The bases
Price
E. 30.

with Hawkshaw to Deloraine, for sale, at Carrick on Wednesday.
Blackaby accompanied Hawkshaw, on Pigeon. - Carr. Holding & Snell,
being unable to go on with their draining, are to start for Samneston
tomorrow morning. - The bricklay Springthorpe commenced the
foundation of Meat-house today.

4th Rode to Moreton & remained all night: the sheep were at Luncarty. -
5th Met my Brother at Carrick. - The ewes were counted by me at Passie's
398, 1 sold on the road and 1 missing: - 2 were made over to Sheghan
the butcher at Carrick, to make up for 2 ewes sold to him after last
sale, but not rec^d. - 396 were sold to Whygreen (nominally, but really
to all the butchers I believe, who conspired to defeat the Fields;) at 6/10
per head, least; - Rode into Samneston. In the evening at the Cornwall
Hotel, ^{Composed - wrote a note for the Examiner - "Lo Bassanica"}
LESTERON JONKVRERO IO EJO CER > NO O > JVROR "E > JVVRGJ. -

Dr Valentine's

6th Started at 4 o'clock A.M. by coach, for Campbell Town. Went to Dr
Valentine's; & found him busy bookbinding. - In the evening examined
with him Hookeria pennata, and Buxbaumia aphylla? but the specimens
of the latter were too young: - up till 1 o'clock A.M. Started at 1/2 to 6 A.M.

Intally

for Samneston, taking with me Dr V's small microscope, some
talc, & Canada Balsam. - Rode to Intally, stayed the evening, &
8th slept at Poole's Inn, Madras. - started in the morning at 1/2 past 10

Pigeon's
shoes removed
flood.

A.M. and reached Deloraine at 1/2 past 2 P.M.: Had Pigeon's shoes
removed, and rode on, the river at the Bridge appearing fordable
- but when I reached Garrett's Sugarloaf, I saw that a flood was
coming down; and wet through and tired I put back to the Rev
Mr Williams's for the night. - Hawkshaw (to whom I had given per-
mission & £3 at Carrick to go to Samneston) was at Deloraine. -

House

9th Sunday. - Rode on to Eshemut. The Meander over its banks
and the West^{erly} creek running 2 feet over the Falls ford. - Read
sermons in the evening instead of reading a tract, as usual. -

Meat-house
Bristock's
flock
counted

10th Found that Springthorpe had finished the foundation of the
Meat-house, and had built up 2 feet of the front wall. - C. H. busy
putting in the quills: - He counted Bristock's sheep on Friday and
made 1464, 11 dead, & 20 missing (included 3 Haggitts & 2 ewes & 1 stranger.)
since Shearing, 10 since Apr. 50. - We have a Thyfacinus cyprocephalus alive

Thyfacinus
scoured
portion of
drain
Irish at
Chant

11th Rainy weather. Main drain overflowing. - Hawkshaw returned. -
12th Rode to look at Main drain by the Black Bog. Found the water
flow^s over the banks above the scoured portion of the drain
but a foot below the banks where scoured. - Knowles &
Rofs will finish the Irrigat^{ion} Chant to Mount Pk within a
fortnight. -

June 13th
Corbett's

Mr Cairns returned. Arranged that they should go to Wignalls on Monday the 17th and put up a new hut, and drafting yards for him. They have only done about 16 rods of the ditch in Black Bag.

Walked through Whitegate PK &c. the grass becoming very short; procured some moses in Owen's creek.

14th Wignall brought the double-barrelled gun which I bought at Corbett's for him (£5.10.0) with shot belt & powder flask, from Deloraine. Walked through Lower Hill to the fence corner at the river between Young Hill & Bog fence PK. Found the width of the river about 50 yards above was 72 feet, & between 85 & 100 length of span wd be required for a bridge.

15th Stuffed 2 mattresses with sifted ^{out} chaff, which makes a bed nearly equal, (indeed far superior in my opinion) to feathers. Settled with G. Holley to 1st June paid him £.16.0½. The store runs in the yard. Porter counted 357 to White gate PK, 110 broken fleeced to Beet PK, and 20 for slaughter to Bull PK.

16th Sunday. Rev^d M. Williams in the evening. — LEEDS V 4770F.

17th Walked to Mountain Plain I directed knowles concerning the Eastⁿ side of Irizats' Chert. — Went up Tent creek, & through the burnt ground outside the log-fence, (where I found the underwood much cleared away by the fire) and Whitegate Padk &c. (which still affords a good bite for the sheep,) home.

18th Mr Braunschweig came and took away 24 steers; Porter helping him to Westbury. — Rode with them to Garetts Sugarloaf Sheek. — Wignall came yesterday and complained that Mr Mannus, his but keeper, had robbed him of £3. After hearing the contradictory stories of the pair, I saw that it wd not do to keep them together any longer; — so that this morning I discharged Mr Mannus. — Cass, Swell, & Halding, went to Wignalls but yesterday to split piling for a new hut, (the present being scarcely habitable,) and stuff for drafting yards.

19th Rode to Wignalls but examined his sheep, which, though poor, look healthy and strong: — I counted 860, nearly 300 being short of the full number. — The fence requires looking to, especially towards the Muddy creek. — Rode to the Falls in the afternoon and examined Brigstock's flock: there is not much scab shewing among his sheep. I counted 1364, 110 being away. — Some of them are fit for the butches. I saw 40 or 50 on my way home. — Mr Bramish was here trying to buy some heifers: he is to come tomorrow. My brother & Rev^d A. Stadhause were to have been here today but have not come. — Mr Horton sent 156 bushels of lime. — Paid him

£3.18.0

Moses

Wignall
all barrel gun

width of river

Chaff
mattresses

G. Holley
store runs

Irizats' Chert

to

Mr Braunschweig
takes 24 steers

Wignall robbed?
by Mr Mannus

Mr Mannus discharged

Corbett's
to E. Side

Wignalls
flock counted

sheep flock
counted

Mr Bramish

lime from
Horton

June 20th My Brother & Rev^d A. Starkhouse arrived at half past 10 o'clock last night, after a tedious and difficult drive by the way of the Kalls from Deloraine. - W. Braunsch came and I sold him 2 Heifers for £4.4.0 each - averaging their weight at about 440 lbs each - I thought the larger would weigh 465 lbs, & the smaller 420 lbs: my Brother set them at 450 lbs, & 500 lbs, or more. - He says Mr Wm. Rickalls, of Quamby thinks that I did not get more than 12/- per 100 lbs for the cattle sold to Braunsch. I consider that I sold them too cheap by 5/- per head. - Mr Starkhouse assembled the men in the evening. - Started Symons off with the spring cart to Westbury, to bring up a girl, who has been hired for us by Mrs Price, of the Sireants Registry Office, Saunceston. - Porter did not return until 11 o'clock today instead of last night: I gave him a strong caution on the subject.

21st Rode to the food with our visitors & saw them safely across. Directed the delivering a heifer of a very large dead calf, of which she had been in labour 3 days, I hear: - Succeeded. -

22nd Rode to the eastrd side and counted Wignall's sheep 1129, 27 being away; - 4 dead since April 1st. - W. Braunsch makes the weight of the smaller heifer sold to him 412 1/2 lbs. - Forwarded to Westbury Police Office Tho Knowles's applicⁿ for a t. h. Symons returned in good time yesterday, bringing Ann Wae hired at £16 per annum. -

23rd Sunday. -

24th Rode up the Meander & round the N. side of our Sugarloaf to look for some cattle fit for sale; but did not meet with them. The heifer calves seem to do very well. -

25th & 26th - Nothing particularly done - Rode through part of Kalls & round the Meander. -

27th Walked up Owen's Creek for about 1 1/2 mile; & found in the thicket of fern trees &c. a small hut, thatched with the fronds of the fern trees, uninhabited. - Collected some crops. - Sent the light cart to Deloraine for parcels but see'd none. Mr Y. T. Parker remained for the night. -

28th Mr Parker left. - The calves (5) got into the garden last night and ran through my shrubs, without doing any damage, mirabile dictu. - Settled with B. Brown who left for Saunceston. - W. Porter invalided, with swelling in groin; probably from a sudden strain. I see there is a young lamb, about 3 days old, in White gate P^k, with the store ewes. -

29th -

30th -

July 1st -

My Brother & Rev^d A. Starkhouse

W. Braunsch

W. Porter

Wignall's sheep

W. Parker

W. Parker

W. Parker

W. Parker

W. Parker

W. Parker

W. Braunsch

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June 29th - Commenced pruning gooseberry & currant bushes. - Walked to the
Paving triple watergate under which, (through the pebbles) the water runs
Wignalls hut. in large quantity. John Edwards is over the river drawing
in the stuff for Wignalls's hut & yards. -

30th Sunday. -

July 1st Rode over Scaupit Hill; and, about a mile past the sawpit, discovered
Sandstone some sandstone, in thin layers, fit for pavement; - Walked onwards
Ovens Creek. up the creek (aven's) and on the sides where the ground is flat &
Char. of covered with underwood and dead timber besides the forest trees
of stringy-bark &c. - Gathered some mosses in & near the creek. -
This bed of sandstone occurs above the fossiliferous limestone
in which the spiriferæ, strophoræ, Truettellæ, &c are found: - It will
not be difficult to work it, and cart it to the homestead. -

2nd W. Branch came & took away 50 nettles (that) paying me
50^{rs}. in cash £20 for them. - A carpenter came for a job: to let him
off 2 him. have an answer on Thursday. - Offered W Branch the 2 knives,
2 Heffers. remain^d from those he took, at £4 each, laying the weight of the
Weights of smaller at 405 lbs, and of the larger at 460 lbs: - He told me that
the larger knife sold to him whose weight I set at 465 lbs, weigh^d
461 lbs; - My Brother set his weight at more than 500 lbs. - Saw a
1 store. saw dead dead store tree in White-gate Park today. - W. Porter still ill. -

3rd Rode over to the East Side, and found that Carr & Co had made a good
Wignalls hut. start with Wignalls's hut, having finished the framework, and paled one
side & one end, besides putting on a quarter of the roof. - Directed Carr as
to the new yards &c. - Rode home across the marked-tree Ford, & through
Soyfure PK (which is dryer than I ever saw it at this season). -

4th No letter from Woolmers about a Carpenter: so that I agreed to let the
Drake Carpenter. man Drake (who called on the 2nd inst) the job of bedding wall-plates, laying tie
Cost of joints to every other pair of rafters, fixing rafters & bedding every other pair, battens,
roofing shingling, & fixing saddle-boards, for £4; he to find rations, & assistance in getting
up the timbers. -

5th A man arrived this forenoon, at abt 11 o'clock, with a letter from my
Brother, telling me that my Father had a serious attack of shivering
fever. Asking me to go to Woolmers. - Having made all necessary arrange-
ments. I proceeded to Westbury for the night. -

6th Reached Woolmers & found my Father better. - Worked at R. 2. K's plans.
7th Sunday. Went to Perth Church. -

8th R. 2. K. drove me to Perth where I had a consultation concerning
Perth Kitchen fireplace the smoking of the kitchen fireplace, and gave orders for such
alterations as will, I hope, remedy the evil. - Drove on to Soyford

Songford Hall

Hall, and advised R. D. K. about sundry matters in connection with his new building, of which part of the foundation is already laid. - Dr. Valentine came to Woolmers in the evening; and I went over some plans which he is making for a Wesleyan College, to be built on Capt Horton's property. - I promised to think the matter over at home and to write to him upon the subject of the front elevation &c. - Sat up late talking about botany, microscopic analysis, elementary organs &c. -

Wesleyan College Dr. Valentine

Heath's work at Perth Parsonage

9th Dr. Valentine returned home with R. D. K. & wife. Worked at the calculations of labour in the erection of the Kitchen &c. at the Parsonage Perth. - Stroled out through Top Walk, along the South Esk &c. - Very sorry to hear that Grosse's flock of the pure ewes is very scabby; - in consequence, I am told, of scabby sheep from Mr Arthur's side getting among them. -

Grosse's flock scabby

Alarm apparatus

10th Finished calculations of Perth Parsonage Kitchen. - Examined some apparatus, which had been made for the Alarm Bell, by Speakman; it was not according to my drawings. - Rode to Westbury on my way home. - Arranged some masses which I had gathered in the neighbourhood of Woolmers. -

Return home

James Sims to go

11th Rode on to Chesnut. - Finding that Jas Sims's origl sentence was for "cutting & maiming", I determined to part with him at once. - Mr Y. Bramish came and took away the two heifers which I offered to him, & paid me £8 for them. -

2 Heifers to Mr Bramish

Sims away

12th Let Jas Sims have a pass till Wednesday night to look for a situation. He started about the middle of the day: I gave him £3. - When we had made all arrangements for managing the cooking &c. I was told that a man was outside, wanting employmt; who proved to be William Hampden, who was cook here once with Mr Davidson: - he has been just acquitted of horstealing, (on a malicious charge, it appears) and is sadly in want of a place. I engaged him as cook, to take Sims's place, and hope he will suit us. - Worked at the "Wesleyan College". -

Hired W. Hampden

Wesleyan College

13th Wrote sundry letters; enclosed the "Wesleyan College" drawing (front elevation) to Dr. Valentine; - paid Mr Humphreys his bill £1.15.1. - Sent Hampden's pass to Mr R. H. Davies. - Discharged John Stewart (with Clark paying him £3.16.11½, after deducting half of the cash & extra rations drawn. Paid him for half of 5150 4ft paling, & 3900 5ft paling. - The carpenter has finished all the rafters of meat house. - Rode across the Meander and examined with Carr, a place for a footbridge, & directed him as to an alteration in Wignall's drafting yards. - All the paddocks are dry. This year there I can remember to have seen them. - Offered Clark 6/6 per 1000 for postern

John Stewart discharged

Paling

Footbridge and river

split stuff 6/6

July 14th Sunday.

Wm Harrison
in prison
Wignall
Song Hill

15th Recd notice from Mr Humphreys that Wm Harrison had been sentenced to 14 days solitary confinement, for misconduct. - Brigstock came to tell me. Wignall came over to get medicine; he is very poorly & weak. - Rode over E. end of Song Hill intend to look for the calves in Knight's Corner, but had not time. Picked up some mopes. Saw Coypanthis in bud.

W. Portes to Westbury

16th Sent Blackaby with the light-cart taking W. Portes to Deloraine, on the way to Westbury for medical advice, concerning the swelling in the right groin, which is again increased. - Paid Mr Humphreys for Postage to 30th June. - Walked through the Paddocks to Swallow Hole &c.

Marion & Prof at 17th 18th 19th
Carr 46th rep 5
3 saved dogs
Stores 2
Jas Sims
settled with
discharged

17th Knowles & Rofs are now at the middle of Tent Padk, as I saw yesterday. - Rode to the East Side & found Carr 46th repairing the damage caused to the bush fence by wind, fallen trees, &c. Found Wignall's dog caught in a snare by the foreleg; Lassie was caught in the same way. - The store ewes were in the yard to be dressed: - 2 of them were killed for rations. - Jas Sims returned for his clothes. I settled with & discharged him, with a rap to the Police Office Westbury; he having obtained a situation in the service of Mr J. Mills, in that neighbourhood. -

30 W. to Mr Wm Bramich
weight of sheep
Price of meat raised

18th Mr Wm Bramich came; and I sold him 31 Wethers at 9/- which he paid for in cash as usual. - He told me that the larger of the two last Weipers did not weigh 1400 lbs, & had a calf in her. - Mr Douglas sent me word, by Blackaby that the Fields had raised the price of meat in Lameceston.

Brigstock's flock
Andreaea
Kitchen chimney pulled down

Rode to the Kalls: saw Brigstock's sheep but did not count them: they are in capital condition, for bush sheep, & shew but little scab. - John Edwards is with him. - Picked up an Andreaea at the Lower Goals on the face of one of the large rocks facing the S. - Springthorpe commenced yesterday pulling down & rebuilding the kitchen chimney & oven.

East Side S.E. part

19th Rode over the S.E. part of East Side, to see how far the sheep made their way, & found that they had penetrated to the tops of the lower ranges of hills, and had much improved the character of the pasture: - Passed on, over rocky ground, and through much underwood, to Jackay's Plain Creek: the land in the neighbourhood of it is valueless for a mile or more to the N.W., i.e. down the river. - Directed Carr 46th as to the footbridge preparations.

Land near Jackey's Plain
Stockbridge

Wignall letter
Hired for Bryan

20th Wignall is better; I sent him a blister for his chest; and some more aperient medicine. - Hired as hutkeeper a man named James Bryan (B.) at £9. - Edwards tells me that Brigstock

Brighton's
width of
river.

did not muster his sheep within 100. - Walked to place at
the river prepar^d for the footbridge; and found the width
by admeasurement, of the river 65 feet, - and of the space between
the trees and bank about 73 feet; - to the top of the W. bank
about 90 feet. - measured the two spars cut for the bridge,
one was 76 feet & the other 81 feet long. - have thought he'd
get two longer spars; if not, I will alter the plan of the
bridge. - wrote to Mr Bichens, asking for the loan of
his 40 lens; - and to J. P. abt sale by auction of 330 ewes
and 10 steers. -

Spars.

Wrote to
Mr Bichens
abt lens
to put
to sale.

July 20th Sunday. - Revd M. Williams in the afternoon here. -

Bridge

22nd Walked with Mr Williams to the place for footbridge; and went
with Carr & Co & J. Edwards, tak^g 8 oxen, ^{in the timber gig,} to bring one of the logs, which
are to reach across the river: - accomplished it after 5 hours work. -

Bridge

23rd Walked to the river and directed that a pier sh^d be constructed
in the middle of the river, and spars placed from it to
the W. bank, &c. - Away all day. -

Bridge

24th All preparations being nearly completed; we worked the
immense spar, weighing about 6 tons, into position
for hauling across; cut other spars &c. - Away all day. -

Mr Bichens

Recd a letter from Mr Bichens, cordially offering me the
lens, I wished &c. - W. Porter returned. -

Bridge

25th Walked to the river. Got the spar across well. - Took
8 oxen & the timber gig, and hauled to the E. bank, the
second spar for bridge. - Determined to make the
bridge capable of carry^g a horse across. - Away all day. -

Bridge

26th Walked to the river; & we hauled across the second spar,
turned him, notched & fixed in position, nearly. - Springthrope

Springthrope

has made a good job of the kitchen fireplace, chimney & oven.
Vis today resetting the boiler in washhouse. -

Denning
for Washhouse

27th Busy at the bridge &c. - Denning brought a letter from Washhouse about Sale
(at barrick)

W. Harrison
ret.

28th Sunday. -

Wignall to
Homestead

29th Wm Harrison has returned, and Bryan has come back to the
Homestead. Sent Bloom with light cart, taking Springthrope & Gay for
to E. Side hut, to build the chimney; - & bringing back Wignall

330 ewes
for sale

who is not so well. - Selected 330 ewes for sale & started them with
The Porter & J. Denning to Deloraine, to go to Quamby tomorrow, - and

Bryan to
E. side nest

morning to barrick. - Sent Bryan to keep hut at Eastⁿ
Side. -

Cattle
for sale

30th Started W. Porter (& Blackaby) with 10 4yr old (this calving) Steers - 2

Split stuff
for bridge

aged oxen - 43 Bull-stags. - Directed to care of to split stuff for
footway of bridge, sides &c. - Started for Larnick & Woolmers, and
stopped at Westbury for the night. -

July 31st
Larnick
Sale
Prices

Helped Porter to drive the cattle into the yards at Pascoe's,
at Larnick. The sheep counted to 330. - The stags brought £8. 2/10
& £6.6, - the oxen £4 each & the steers from £3.5 to £4.10. - average £4.6.8
The ewes averaged about 6/8 - very poor prices indeed. - Rode
on with J.P. to Woolmers. -

Aug 1st
Larneston
Pd Corbett

Left Woolmers at abt 2 P.M. Frode to Perth, seeing Meath about
altering the kitchen chimney at the Parsonage, which still smokes
he is to be allowed £1.5.0 if he cure the chimney, but nothing if
he fail. - Went into Larneston. Paid Corbett £11.15.0. - Arrang
various matters. - Spent the evening with J.A.S. at the "Cornwall". -

2nd
Pd

£50 to my of at U.S. - Pd Best £17.12.0. - Ordered sundries. -
Botanised on the hill at the N. side of Cataract, for nooses. - Spent
an hour or two in the evening at the Cornwall with O'Brook. -

Lenses from
W. Bichers

Obtained at Towers 2 lenses from W. Bichers 1 a 1/3 Doublet; the
other 2 single lens. - Unpacked some books for J.P. from a box
from England & left them with 1 parcel for W.C. Arthur at the
Cornwall, in the care of Mrs. Blyne. - Bill £1.15.6. -

3rd
Rode to
Cheshunt

Rode to Cheshunt. - Pd Ginman at Westbury 7/- for 2 tinboxes (various)

4th
Sunday

4th Sunday. -

5th
Hired Wm Drake

Hired Wm Drake 1/2 Carpenter, for a year at £26 to commence on
the of July 1850. - Meignall returned to his hut, nearly well. -

6th
Arranged for the mortising

Arranged for the mortising of pieces for the bridge &c. - Drove
the carriage & Mrs. W.C. to the Kells bank. - Porter's Lower Hill flock
counted 996, 5 missing, yesterday. - Brigstock & Edwards gather 3 Kells flock

7th
Sent W. Porter, Newkshaw, & Tho^r Porter, as well as Brigstock &

Sent W. Porter, Newkshaw, & Tho^r Porter, as well as Brigstock &
Edwards over Park Marsh &c., going through the scrubs down to Long
Hill myself: they found 43 sheep; & I saw tracks of sheep on the
Long Hill. - Counted the flock 1451 - ~~23~~ missing; - 16 dead since
"shearing". - On my way back from Larneston W. Kimbuley applied

8th
Directed Drake to put up a verandah

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was included in his contract for £4. - Rogers, Thomas's blacksmith

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Augt 9th Public Meeting today in Laureeston to protect and petition against the continuance of Transportation to this Colony. -

Went with W Williams up Luttis Creek, and obtained some mosses. - Edwards was after the sheep on Long Hill, but could not fall in with them. - Stopped a prout tooth yesterday for the

10th Rode to the bridge (the floor of which is nearly finished) and directed as to sundry points. - Rev^d W W. returned home. - Sent Blackaby for a box, from Towns, which had not arrived at Deloraine

Received on Thursday (the 8th) a box contain^g the 3 last nos of Roberts's Egypt & Arabia, being the last nos of his sketches. Nos 17 & 18 have not yet arrived. -

11th Sunday. -

12th Rode to the Sawpit, on Bark Marsh Run, and examined the shingles and paling split by Clark. He has 12000 shingles, (all with the sap barked off) and about 12000 palings. I told him to split 6000 more shingles. - Paid W. Drake £4, being the sum for

which he undertook to do the roof of Meat house, without deduct^g the price of his rations & extras during the time he was at the job, which was 3 weeks. - Springthorpe (with Taylor) is making a drain in the stable (Saddle-horse), with gratings opposite the centres of the stalls. -

13th Directed Rogers about making 5 pairs of dogs for the house, and 1 large pair for the kitchen. - Directed bars to put up boards at the sides of the bridge. -

14th Hawkshaw cannot find all his West End sheep. Told him to take another day to examine his run. He says he found one of them the other day scabbed in the breach & dressed it. - Agreed to keep him on, at the end of this year, at the same wages. -

15th Rode to see Knowles & Kops at the Drigating Channel; they are now 150 yards above the W. fence of Blackgate Park & their paddocks above it. - Picked up at the Stackhouse Falls a few mosses. Rode along Sog fence to the Splitters' Mill, and on to the end of the split-shuff track on the top of it, to look for Hawkshaw's stray sheep; but saw no tracks. -

16th Hawkshaw got in the 2nd lot of sheep from Mount P^{er}. We examined them as to scab, but found none. - Counted 768 including 7 of the West End sheep. 1 was drawn (giddy) into the W. End sheep in Mount P^{er} making in all 762 Swateth sheep by W. End. - Heavy rain after noon

17th Heavy rain; the Meander rising. Blackaby with Jessie crossed the bridge, to Deloraine for letters. I rode down in the rain, to

Public Meeting
Mosses.
Missing sheep
on Long Hill.
Stopped tooth
for
Bridge

Roberts's
Sketches.

Shingles
& Paling
Clark
W. Drake
ours
Westbury
Drain in
Stables

Rogers
dogs

Hawkshaw
1 sheep scabbed
Revised

Knowles & Kops
Splitters Mill

Mount P^{er}
Plain
flock.

Bridges
used

see the state of the river & bridge; & crossed backwards & forwards with Pigeon. River not within 6 feet of bridge. -

18th Sunday. -

River
within
3 feet
of
bridge.

19th Porter the shepherd says that the water was within 3 feet of the bridge yesterday evening; the temporary pier however has not moved. - Rode down to the bridge & perceived that a slight deflection had taken place in the spars, the upper one especially. Marked a road (with bars) to the deadwood fence run down to Branich's buildings. - Directed Carr & Co to put up a slip panel at each end of the bridge to prevent cattle & sheep from straying over it; & to clear the road as far as the log fence; - also to put 2 struts below the pier of the bridge on the W. side. -

Carr & Co.
7 or 8
panels
&
struts
to bridge

crossed
the carriage
at the bridge.

20th Drove the carriage to the bridge, & taking out Snip, ran it over, leading Snip over afterwards: did the same back again; all appeared sound. Carr & Co have finished their job. They are to be settled with, before commence a fresh job. - The bridge has cost altogether £12.10.0. -

Carr & Co
finished

Knowles took
into cottage.

21st Arranged to let Knowles go into the cottage behind orchard, at least for the present. - b.H. rode to Long Hill & brought me some specimens of *Corysanthis Dieffenhacii*, *Cyrtostylis reniformis*?, & a leafy-stemmed *Pterostylis*. - Walked to examine Crowfoot Close, which is very wet. -

Corysanthis &c.

Carr & Co as
before.

22nd b.H. went with Carr & Holding & measured the work done by them. Snell in Scour^g Main drain, & cutting drains round Limekiln P.K. - Walked to examine the irrigating channel above White gate & Down Pad^{ks} and decided to scour it no further for the present; but only clear out rubbish & make good banks &c. for the remain^d distance to Seith's Creek, & thence to the river. -

Scour of
Frigate's Channel

Hawkshaw's
West End flock.

23rd Hawkshaw's West End flock examined; no scab but on the one sheep caught in the run by him. - Counted 675, there are 7 with 2 teeth E.W., 5 dead, & 2 drawn out giddy: missing 7. - Removed the Store Wethers to Same P.K., & put the W. End sheep in stocky & P.K. &c. until I hear more concern^s some days that are harassing Mr Gibson's sheep. Making up Carr & Co's a/c. - Edwards broke pole of drag. -

Wethers
missing

Carr & Co
a/c

24th Made a rough calculation of the work done by Carr, Snell, & Holding and completed their accounts. - Forwarded to Mr Jones A.S.M. an application for a Cond^l Pardon by Tho^s Porter; & wrote to the Comptroller Gen^l about Knowles. - Knowles took possession of the cottage behind orchard today. - Bristock found the 11th day the 23 sheep missing from his flock at the last count. -

Porter
Knowles

Bristock's
23 sheep

25th Sunday. -

Aug 26th Walked, marking a track, with C.H. part of the way towards Cummins's Head.
 Mark to Cummins's Head
 Porten has burnt a great deal of ground in the rise to the E. of the Tent Creek.
 Made up part of barr 46^o a/c. - Knowles & Hops have scoured the brigging Chan to Davis's.
 Irrigat^o Chan
 27th The cost of scouring the Irrigat^o Chan for abt 4 miles is £22.10.0: - the job
 Cost of scouring
 Puling to split
 by Clark.
 has lasted more than 7 months. - C.H. counted the piling split by J. Clark,
 siz 5150, four feet long, and 7000 five feet long; & the shingles 14000 all with
 the sappy part backed off. - Walked to the bridge expecting that the
 rain of last night & this forenoon would have raised the river, but it was
 quite low. Found the land very wet. - Settled with barr, Holding & Snell.

28th Went with Knowles to the Sawpit Hill, & on to the Sandstone Hill beyond,
 Sandstone
 where we examined the various places at which the strata cropped
 out; they had a dip of about 15° ^{N.E.} easterly. Picked up some masses in
 the creek (Owen's creek) (below the stone ^{which is expunged}) which also runs in a bed of
 sandstone. It is on the brow of the hill that I proposed opening
 a quarry. Coming homewards along the brow, I found a spot
 at which an advantageous opening may be made, both to get
 rid of the rubbish, and to cart away the stone. -

29th Obtained some slops (Robertson's) from Deloraine. - Very wet day. -
 Slops
 30th Barr 46^o set fire to the kiln of charcoal they have been preparing. -
 Charcoal
 The land in Crawford Close is very wet, & must be drained previous
 to ploughing.

31st Walked to the stone quarry, & found that a good road can be
 Stone
 Quarry
 obtained thence to ~~the~~ Owen's Park along the top of the hill to
 the E. of Owen's Creek. - Knowles had laid bare part of the flags, &
 spoke favourably of the stone & the capabilities of the quarry. -

Sept^r 1st Sunday -
 2nd Hired William Clarke (Gree) Farm-labourer, & Skulloch driver for 1
 year at £14. - Wm Newham to thresh till I return from town.
 Went with barr to Crawford Close, & arranged for making three
 drains, 1 in the middle 4 ft top, 15 inches bottom, & 2 feet deep; the 2 other
 3 ft top, 1 ft bot^m, & 1 1/2 ft deep at 2 1/2 per cubic yard, which will be
 for the large ditch 3 per rods, & for the smaller 4 1/2 per rods; this
 Price of drain
 seems rather too much. - Rode to the Yalls and saw most of
 Bristocks sheep which he is just gathering (with Edwards). -
 Bristocks
 3rd Rode to Entally. -

4th Heavy rain. Remained at Entally Read "The White Doe of Rylstone" by
 White Doe
 of Rylstone
 Woodsworth, & was much pleased with it, although parts are very
 5th Still wet, & still at Entally. Read some of Macaulay's Critical Essays
 Macaulay's
 Roderick
 He is a clever, showy, bitter, unsound writer. - Y.R. read part of Southey's

Roderick; I was astonished at finding such a display of genius & true poetry in it.

Sept 6th
C. Stuart
Crockery ware
etc.
pd Mrs Webster
£2.40

6th Rode to Lanneston. Botanised with C. Stuart on the N. side of the Cataract, and procured several new masses. - Bought some garden seeds, peas, onions, &c. & some rhubarb plants of Fry's. - Ordered sundry articles of crockery ware of Mrs Wallan, & also some goods of Robertson. - Returned to Entally by way of Mrs Webster's, who was away from home, but left £2.40 with her little girl for her. -

Back to Chestnut

7th Rode to Chestnut, crossing my bridge. Found at Westbury the men whom we have expected as work had reengaged himself. -

Rehired Knowles.

8th Sunday.

Springthorpe making drains to stable

9th Settled with Thos Knowles for the year ending on the 7th (Saturday). Rehired him at £14 per ann^m. - Gave him £6 and a pass to go to Lanneston. A man came from Thomas of Deloraine for a pair steers on his acct. - Hawkshaw removed his sheep from Stockyard Padth. - Springthorpe commenced a drain to the Plough horses' stable. -

A man from Thomas about 2 Steers

10th Porter went with the man from Thomas to look for a pair of steers, & brought 1 3yr old Steer from outside the lag fence, which he is to take with one of the 4yr old Steers in Bright's Hill. -

Sassafras in flower. Stove for hours

Walked through Lag fence Padth, along the fence, down the river, picked some Sassafras flowers, crossed & inspected the bridge, shot 4 wattle birds, ordered the men (3) to discontinue getting stone for new house, & then home. -

H. Symons 4yr old Steer killed in being yoked.

11th Henry Symons's Wife to remain on for a time; but not hired for any definite period. -

12th In trying to yoke the 4yr old Steer from Bright's Hill, his horn with part of his skull broke away from the rest of his head; and I had him slaughtered for the store. - I took Pigeon Trade in another 3yr old Steer, which was yoked with the other in the afternoon, & being placed in the same team as the bullocks brought by Jamison nearly broke all their necks, but were finally left by themselves in the yard all night. -

Goods from Wallan, Robertson & Gowers

Blackaby brought from Deloraine a cask of crockery ware from Wallan, some goods from Robertson's & Gowers, & a workbox from Best. -

Springthorpe built up cottage

13th Set Springthorpe, who has finished the drain in the Cart-horse stable, to brick up part of the cottage occupied by Knowles. Walked to Starkhouse Halls, and on the way

Planted
orchids in
garden.
2 steers taken
away.

Sept. 14th
Jeremiah
Simcox.

Bellis
perennis.

back picked up some orchids with roots round their bulbs, & planted them in the garden. - Jamison succeeded in getting away his steers safely to Deloraine. Thomas is to pay £8 for them. Wrote to J. Wds. - Jeremiah Simcox, blacksmith came last night, and I put him on in the shop, to do some jobs that were wanted finishing for putting up gates &c. - Took up about 4 dozen plants of *Bellis perennis* from the flat, & gave them to Ad to make a border in the garden; some were in flower. -

15th Sunday - Rev^d M. Williams here. -

Quarry.

16th Walked to the stone quarry: Knowles had squared up some of the rougher top stones; and there was promise of good flags below. Rode to Deloraine with W.W. stay^d for the night at his house. -

Port
Sorell

17th Rode with W.W. to Port Sorell; and visited W. Wheeler. - Passed on the way, about 13 miles from Deloraine, a new house, lately built of stone, by M.C. Field: there is a tract of fine country adjoining. - Further on we came to first the "Little Avenue" and then to the "Great Avenue," a noble plain about 1 1/2 mile long by 3/4 mile wide belonging to the Fields. - I saw some of the sheep belong^d to Davies, W.W. Anson's late overseer, and they looked well. - The principal part of the road lies between the Rubicon Rivulet and the Mersey. - at length we came to "Starkey's", (where the constable was shot, 2 years ago, by Rogers Riley Esq.,) about 27 miles from Deloraine & 10 from Port Sorell. - Next place we passed was W. Davies's "Station", then D. Soane's house, about 7 miles (or 6) from the coast, then W. Douglas's, a little nearer, and finally reached W. Wheeler's hospitable cottage. -

18th Walked across the country between W. Wheeler's & North Down. Found a new (to me) *Acacia*, a *Styphelia*, a *Pinelca*, & some other plants. "Pig's' Noses" (*Mesembryanthemum acquilaterale*) abounded on the coast, near the beach, together with several other fleshy plants not yet in flower. - I found also a *Cassytha* with white flowers, and another hairy one. -

19th Started, at about 11 o'clock, with a constable named Donovan, across the arm of the sea into which the Rubicon empties itself, for Badger's Head & the Asbestos Hills. - Walked from the boat to Little Badger Head in 1 hour & 20 minutes, (abt 6 1/4 miles). Here I found a pretty shrubby *Senecopogon*, besides the arborescent one, *Cornua alba*, with a few others, and a beautiful violet coloured *Caladenia*. On the "Head" I saw the dwarf grass trees (? *Xanthorrhoea Hastata* Br.) and the common *Banksia* dwarfed down to 18 inches high. -

Port Swell The Maquarie Harbour vine was show^g flower buds, and there were many plants more backward.

Sept. 20th Returned to Deloraine. On the way picked up, a new Ardea, Va Pomadouris. - Slept at Mr W's.

21st Back to Cheshunt. - C.H. & Blackaby had brought gravel from the river sufficient to cover the walks of the garden thinly. - No herrings yet to be seen in the Meander. - R. Wakeham (Ann's father) came. -

22nd Sunday. -

23rd Wakeham objected to his daughter's intimacy with Blackaby, & I undertook to stop it, by remov^g B. to another station. - W. left. - Drove the carriage to the quarry hill, up which we all walked, and inspected the stone. - C.H. has joined Knowles at his job, for the present. - Planted some Rhubarb plants (from Fry) in the garden. - Edwards with Brigstock gathering his sheep. -

24th Rode to the Eastⁿ Side across the ground burnt by Wignalls: it extends a long way above the E. end of the fence and S.E. from his hut. - it is not very good pasture ground. - Told Porter to get in some 3yrs old Steers for working. -

25th Drove to the Falls, to see Brigstock's sheep; but they had been in & dropped & turned out again; very little scab among them. - Porter brought in steers.

26th The bullock drivers Edwards & Blair yoked up a pair of 3yrs old Steers. So other steers were selected, & put in Tent Padⁿ. - Rode to Deloraine for my letters; & tried, on the way, to cross from Purvie Stone Marsh to Mr Wint's lands, but could not find the ford. -

27th Carr & Co have finished the line of drain marked out last May in Black Bog; they have been 7 1/2 days at it. - they finished the drains in Crowfoot Close on the 18th Sept^r. - Directed them to split posts for renewing the fences in Tent Padⁿ (W. side) and between Marsh Meadow & Lane Pⁿ, - making them 4-rail fences. -

28th A brickmaker, named Edwin Worley, came from W Rudge to engage for making bricks. He wd make them at 10/6 per 1000; but he is a married man wishes to bring his wife, a proceeding which I fear would not be satisfactory: however I told him I wd engage even^g his wife & let him know my decision next week. - Walked through Crowfoot Close & other paddocks. Black Bog, Tent Pⁿ, Doublegate Pⁿ &c. - The drains in the first have quite dried the ground; the corksfoot grass in Corkfoot corner looks very badly, & rushes are springing in the centre of the gr^s. - Carr & Co have made a good job of the drain in the Black Bog, which is drying the land considerably. - Hawkshaw

with a very severe cold: prescribed for him. -

Sept 29th - Sunday.

30th Young Steers turned out. -
Sam^l Hallett Cook.

Kind & y^t Clarke & Edwards & not manage the young steers I turned them out for the present, and set them with Rofs to clear the Creek Close. Made arrangements for leas³ Chestnut tomorrow. A man named Sam^l Hallett came to hire as Cook, sent by Mr Wakeham. I engaged him for 1 month on trial at 7/- per hekdow^m: Hampden is to go on the farm. - Hawkshaw much better today. - Two of Brigstock's sheep got among the Mount "P^m" flock yesterday, & were drawn out today. -

Sheep missed

October 1st Drove family to Westbury & remained there for the night, at Syalls. -

2nd Went to Moreton, the residence of the Rev^d J. H. Reiberg; & passed two 3rd days there very pleasantly. -

4th Drove to Woolmers. - Found my Father very ill. -

5th At Woolmers

6th Sunday. Ditto. - Went to Church at Perth. -

7th Selecting ewes & Rams with my brother. -

10/- to Eliza.

8th All into Sarumston. Left Eliza at her home. - gave her 10/-

Midland Shows

9th Midland Agric^l Assocⁿ Show at the Blenheim Hotel yards, at Longford. We sent 1 Bull, 5 aged Rams includ³ an imported Ram bought from Wm Jackson & Co. (this lot was considered the best there); 5 - 6 teeth Rams (which took the 2nd prize, Meneis took³ the first) & 5 ewes (which took the 2nd prize, Meneis the 1st). - The Rams shown for sale in the village were sold only in part (60 I think) at very low prices, (about £1/-). - Our servants Gubb & Sean took the 2nd & 3rd prizes for "good conduct & length of service in one place". -

Rams sold

"Tapping"

10th My Father was this day "tapped" by Dr Pugh, Dr Valentine & Kilgour being in attendance. 4 1/2 gallons of water were removed & it was ascertained that there was a mass of fatty matter in the front of the abdomen 5 inches thick weigh³ probably 50 lbs. Owing to a fit of coughing the trocar was displaced, & it was thought inexpedient to reinsert it. - My Father bore it very well. - Arranged with Valentine that he should write to Rofs for a compound microscope with lenses &c to the value of £60 or £70. Valentine was very much pleased with my drawings of orchids. -

Compound Microscope to be ordered

* Owing to the displacement of the trocar, during the operation of tapping my Father, not nearly all the water was drawn off. -

11th At Woolmers -

12th " Ditto. - My Father not so well today. -

October 13th Sunday.

14th At Woolms - Sat up till 4 A.M. a'clock, with my Father.

15th My Father appeared to be growing weaker, and I sent to Fairfield for my Brother, who came down to Woolms, and remained ^{dur^s} the early part of the night with my Father, who, as though he had a presentiment of death, prevailed upon my Mother (who was to have taken the morning watching with me) to sit up with, & to be near him. About $\frac{1}{2}$ past 10 o'clock P.M. severe coughing came on, which continued, & was succeeded at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 12 o'clock

16th - by a shivering fit. - Dr Kilgore was called at 1 o'clock A.M. & he called me at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 1. My Father was evidently in a dangerous state, in fact he was dying. We four tended him till $\frac{1}{2}$ past 4 A.M. when the members of the family began to congregate in the bedroom. - My Father was perfectly conscious, though unable to articulate distinctly. - Mr J. Anker Jen came at about 8 o'clock. - At $\frac{1}{2}$ past 8 my Father desired that my Sisters should leave the room. - Upon a hymn being repeated to him he said in a low tone "I am safe - I am safe". He recognised each individual present, and took, as it were, a last look at each, particularly at my Mother, my Brother, & myself. At 9 o'clock, or a little after, the difficulty of breathing appeared to cease, together with all uneasiness, and indeed sensibility: he now reclined his head upon the pillows, and continued ^{for about half an hour,} like one in a quiet sleep, until the saliva could no more be swallowed; and then a few breaths - drawn with a longer & longer interval between them - then a minute's cessation - then two or three irregular inspirations - and the soul had left its tenement of pain & care for the blissful regions of Paradise. - Not a struggle, not a muscular movement preceded or accompanied the last breathings; - all was peace to the body, & we most confidently trust to the immortal essence - the soul. -

nothing returned
& and that better
the report of the

October 17th All necessary arrangements were made in order that the funeral of my dear Father might take place on Saturday.

18th The body was enclosed within a wooden case inside a coffin of lead, and all further directions given that were necessary.

19th The last sad rites were now to be performed. - The members of the family assembled, - about fifty gentlemen of the first respectability & rank in this side of the country attended at the house, and the hearse was followed by upwards of twenty carriages (although no notice whatever was given of the time of the funeral excepting to a very few). - The shops & even the inns were shut up; and about 200 people witnessed the deposition of the coffin in the family vault: - the bearers were old servants principally, & the pallbearers oldest friends: six clergymen in their surplices were at the vault. We went down, & saw the coffin of my eldest Brother, which was in good preservation, and that of my Mother's last child. - The coffin of my dear Father occupied the centre of the vault. Requiescat in pace, it resurgat in gloria! -

The funeral

20th Sunday. - I read prayers at Woolmer, & R.D.K. a sermon. -

21st The Exors (with the exception of my Mother who was too ill to attend) met & read Mr Will. - and made sundry arrangements to

22nd My Brother is to manage Woolmer & the airfield, & I Chestnut; transacting farm business & draw^g cheques &c. under the signature of "W. J. Ashbee". - R.D.K. & wife returned home. -

23rd Suffering from sore throat, cough, &c. &c. - at Cranfield. -

24th Went to Sarum & arranged with J.A.S. to open an account at the Union Bank in the name of the Exors of the late Tho' Ashbee Esq. Paid £200 to my Mother's acct & £148.8.1 to the credit of the Exors; this amount was the bal^{ce} in my Father's Cashbook. - Arranged for administration, &c. &c. with Mr Gleadaw. - Gave Brigstock £4. in town.

25th Stav^g arranged for the alterations of the Woolpress & other necessary matters, I started with Borchall for Carnick, where I got on to Mr Douglas's coach & arrived at Westbury, for the night, where Blackaby met me with "Pigeon". - Wrote to the Surveyor Genl to license the occupation of the Crown lands at Chestnut in the name of the Exors. -

1th Rode on to Chestnut. - Brigstock, who had gone to Longford to Sarum to arrange about defending himself in an action

11th At lit against him for debt, had not returned according

12th " misc. - Hired two men, named John Hall, & Patrick

Management of Estates

Open 3 parts acct to Mr B. & Mr C. & Mr D. & Mr E. & Mr F. & Mr G. & Mr H. & Mr I. & Mr J. & Mr K. & Mr L. & Mr M. & Mr N. & Mr O. & Mr P. & Mr Q. & Mr R. & Mr S. & Mr T. & Mr U. & Mr V. & Mr W. & Mr X. & Mr Y. & Mr Z.

Co. which for Crown to be in the name of the Exors.

2 Lamb, Y.S.s, for 1/2 year ^{6 mos} at £7, to have 10/- more if industrious &c. -
October 27th Sunday.

Woolley

28th Woolley, the brickmaker, his wife, & mate, have been some little time at Chesnut. - John Edwards, accord^d to order, brought up a large lot of the Falls flock. - Tried to shoot the buck which is now in our paddocks, but failed. - Agreed to give Uignall £20 for the com³ year of his service. -

the buck.
Rehired Uignall at £20 a year
Porter to Wool-
- new for oxen.
As shearings.
Pd Carr the wheel

29th Started W. Porter to Woolleys, to bring up work³ oxen. - Tried the buck again; got away. - Arranged as to shearing & washing. Rode to Pine Bank, but could see no hewings in the Meander. Arranged with Wm Harrison, P.P., to remain. - Paid Carr, a bootmaker at Deloraine, his bill. -

Culled Brigstock's late flock.

30th Made up this book to today. - Yesterday culled, of short & coarse wooled sheep, out of the lot of Brigstock's Wethers 630, vizt 329 in Obligate PK & 301 in Bright's Hill. - Put the remainder, of best wooled sheep, in Baint PK for the present, 620. - There are 4 strange aris³ the "cull" lots. - Mr Parkie's auctioneer came & took away 2 of his sheep. - John Edwards brought from the Falls Run 214 more wethers, making in all brought in 1464: he says there is a giddy sheep on the run & 1 he put on the Yelut, & 1 sheep found dead in ditch, 3 more, leaving 3 as missing. -

more Falls sheep.

Cattle from Woolleys Nov 2nd -
Panshanger's lambs.

31st Having ridden to Westbury last night, I went on to Woolleys. - 1st Porter took out to Chesnut 10 oxen, 1 cow, & 1 yearling heifer. Rode to Panshanger to see Mr John Arthur's lambs, and their wool. - The wool is of good quality and character; and when handwashed (as it is to be this year) will bring probably 3/- per lb.

at Woolleys. 2nd, 3rd & 4th.
Administered to Will. Aust of Post Property.

at Woolleys. 2nd, 3rd & 4th. At Woolleys. On the Sunday read the Moon's Service & sermon. 5th Mr Burns, Com² of the Supreme Court, & Mr Meadow having arrived all five Trustees Executors administered to the Will of my deceased Father; the personal property being sworn under £22000. - R. D. K. returned home. Dr Brock at Woolleys. In the afternoon word from Fairfield was brought, that Hart the groome had stabbed Seth & Mrs Gubb with a bayonet, and had shot himself with a pistol. Dr Kilgour & Mr McKastic went to Fairfield. -

Hart stabbed Seth & Mrs Gubb.

Superintendent's Shearers

6th My Brother being obliged to desist from the superintendence of the shearers &c. I took his place; and he went early to bed, & took medicine. -

News from Fairfield.

7th I superintended the shearing operations today. 8th With the shearers till half past 12 o'clock P.M. - My Mother returned with Dr Kilgour from Fairfield. Seth & Mrs Gubb dying and Hart better, notwithstanding that his coffee had been made, upon the report of the

impossibility of his living through the first night:- the pistol was loaded with slugs. - Started at about 3 o'clock with the carriage & household, and reached Westbury for the night. - At Carnick the collar of Mr Starkhouse's horse Rattler, (which he was kind enough to lend me,) was put on Snip by mistake, & Snip's collar sent back on Rattler. Engaged Francis Taylor F.S. as shepherd, at ^{£20 per annum, should be able to do his work well.} Sent him to Woolmers, to be there on the 12th. -

Towards home.
Hired Francis Taylor Nov. 9th

10th Sunday. Rev^d M. Williams came in the evening. -

Stone quarry.
Brickmould.

11th Rode to the stone-quarry. Knowles has got out a tolerable quantity of stone, principally solid pieces fit for a base course, sills &c. together with a few flags. - Altered the brickmould which Worley has been working with, and made one $9\frac{3}{4}$ long $4\frac{7}{8}$ wide & $2\frac{1}{2}$ thick. - Started V. Porter & J^r Boyan to Woolmers for sheep. -

Full lots of the skulls sheep as drafted.
Fishing at Egmont.

12th While I was away the sheep brought in last from the Falls near by Edwards were drafted into two lots, one of 100 best into Barn PK with the 620, mark^d their number 720; & the remainder 115 (more than I counted) with those in Bright's Hill, mark^d their number 416. - Rode to Deloraine, then on, with Rev^d M. Williams, to Egmont, near Westbury, where I killed below the bridge in the Meander 2 doz. herrings, one of them the finest I ever saw, weigh^d probably 10oz. - but most of the others very small. - Stopped, with W.W., at Syall's for the night. - Wrote to Mr Wheeler about visit^d him at Pt Sorell (en famille). -

To Sarum.
Breakfast service.
Braunsgrove.

13th Went to Sarum by Douglas's Coach. Bought breakfast service at Allan's. 35/- and sundry other articles. - Saw Braunsgrove the butcher, about selling to him some fat cattle and arranged for his being at Cheshunt on Monday morn^g. - Beef scarce. - Rode to Deloraine & slept at the Parsonage. -

Killed at Deloraine.
Sheep from Woolmers.

14th Up early and killed 10 small herrings below the bridge. - I found yesterday evening that Francis Taylor who brought away from Woolmers 500 & more young wethers on Wednesday was still at Deloraine, owing to Wignall (who was to guide him to Cheshunt) being drunk and unable to move &c. - He started however this morning early. - Tho^t Porter & Boyan arrived with a flock from Woolmers (at Westbury last night) at 11 o'clock and I rode on with them to "the Falls", meeting Brightstock at the Red Gate. - Counted the sheep, at the Falls yards, 1439 (I left at Quamby): they started with 1440. - On arriving at Cheshunt I counted the wethers brought by Taylor 525, being 1 less than the number started with, perhaps misped in the count. -

Sheep from Woolmers to and skulls from.
Sheep counted.

15th The 720 wethers were moved from Barn PK into Yower Hill; and

Hired Isaac Paine.

the 2nd teeth Wethers (a scabby lot) into Burn PK. - A man named Isaac Paine hired with me at £13 per annum. - he is a bullock driver: his year will commence from the 12th inst. -

Hot cattle for sale.

16th Made sundry arrangements. - Symons & wife arrived from Washburn whither they went on the 12th inst. - Seth & Mrs Gumble are (strange to say) now expected to recover, & that also. - Porter has 9 fat heifers in Bull PK, 9 fat cows in Blkgate PK, & 3 fat sters in Lane PK, for the butchers to look at. -

Mr Braungrove.

17th Sunday. - Rev^d Mr Williams came in the evening. -
18th Mr Braungrove came and I sold to him 3 barren heifers at £7 each, 4 cows at £6 each and 9 cows & heifers at £5 each, to be taken away in a fortnight. - Prepared for going to Port Sorell. Drove to Mr Williams's, Deloraine; Symons taking the spring cart, & stopping with his wife & Ann Wakeham at the Black Inn. -

Yonced's Port Sorell (a family)

Ann Wakeham to Sammeston Miss deard.

19th We started for Port Sorell, (Ann Wakeham having proceeded to Sammeston by the conveyance) - and reached Mr Wheeler's hospitable house at about 7 o'clock, having gone out of our way during the last stage between the "Newground" & Bungefs, as the Township is called, Mr Williams kindly guided us as far as the Great Avenue. - Mr Wheeler was from home, but we settled down as well as we could, Symons & his wife, & Blackaby going to the Inn at Bungefs about a mile or so away.

Mr Wheeler's.

20th Mr Wheeler returned bringing visitors, Miss Thomas & Mrs Bat-Thomas, & a little girl. -

Bathed.

21st Strolled on the beach, & enjoyed the delightful air. - I bathed. -

Botanizing.

22nd My wife & I took a long stroll across the bush to the North Down beach, picking up on our way *Thelymitra cancellata*, & an orchid nearly allied to *Pterostylis*, but new to me. - Rev^d Mr. Williams came & took up quarters at Mr Sam Thomas's. -

Fishing at Mersy.

23rd Rode with Mr Williams to the Mersy, & caught three (about 13 miles from Poyston (Mr Wheeler's residence)) 3 1/2 doz. herrings, some very large & fine. - Sent half to North Down House, Mr Jocelyne Thomas's the Sen^r. - Bad cold & cough. -

Salt water fishing at North Down House Mr Wheeler left.

24th Attended service at the Police Office in the evening, Mr Williams officiated. - Sunday. -

25th Gave up all idea of a trip up the North to see the Pines said to grow there. - Cold & cough worse. - Went out fishing in salt water; slow work! -

26th Dined at North Down House; the folks very kind. -

27th & 28th Pattering about for planets. - Called on "Mr Bat." -

29th Mr Wheeler left in my spring cart, (Blackaby driving) for Deloraine. -
30th Found a small *Proserpinaca* & some other plants. - Cough worse.

Dec 2 - 1st. Sunday. My wife read the Morning Prayers, and a sermon by Mr Wheeler's Brother, Vicar of Shoreham. -

Animals arranged

2nd Made arrangements for procuring meat &c. and wrote to Mr Thomas Sen about hay. -

May's drawings of orchids

3rd Mr Thomas promised me all his later hay. Miss Thomas (the 2nd) promised me drawings of some orchids. Picked up *Difiodium punctatum* in bush

Back from Port Sorell

4th Started on Pigeon at a 4 to 9 A.M. and called at Deloraine for my letters & papers, reaching home at about 8 o'clock P.M. -

C.H. to Mr Sorell

5th Started Charles North off to Port Sorell, on Jessie; giving ^{him} £2.15.0 for Mr Wren. - Busy arranging for sheepwashing. -

Porter's Wetters

6th Drew out 193 Culls from Porter's flock (including 3 6-teeth W.) and put them with the Store W. from Lane PK in Whitegate PK. - Sent the remain^s 800 (11 dead & still miss^s) to Tent PK. - Hawkshaw brought in 766 2-teeth E. & W. (includ^s some W. end sheep) to Blkgate PK for washing

Hawkshaw's 2-teeth sheep

miss^s them with the 19 Store W. there. - Had the picked 6-teeth W. in the yard from Lower Hill & counted 700 (3 with Porter's Culls in Whitegate PK and 17 missing: - Sent them to Mountⁿ Pk. - Moved the 6-teeth Store W. from Delegate PK into Colt PK. - Rode round the paddocks to see the cattle. There are 19 picked ⁴⁴ 3rd yr old heifers in Colt PK & 3 others; 20 3rd yr old Steers in Marsh Meadow; 25; 3rd yr old heifers in Bull PK; 24 3 & 4 yr old Steers in the Y. Cat with 17 3rd yr old heifers & 8 cows & heifers in Whitegate PK, besides the 16 cows & heifers sold to Braunsgrove in Blkgate PK: all the above are for sale except^s those in Colt PK. - Told Porter to put the 24 steers from the Y. Cat into Bull PK and the two lots of heifers into the Y. Cat, making 42 there. -

Picked 6-teeth Wetters

Completed the sheepwash. - Sent Blackaby to Woolmers for my gig & with letters

The cattle in Graft Paddock

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Blackaby for gig

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8th Sunday. -

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The missing
6-teeth w.
Mr Braunsgrum
took away
cattle.

Brigstock brought 15 of the missing 6-teeth w. and there is 1 giddy
on Tower Hill, so that 1 only is missing.

Dec 10th
Wignalls
sheep
washed
My father.

Mr Braunsgrum came and took away his 16 head of cattle. —
Washed 251 of Wignalls sheep, & put them in Lane Park. Wignall
brought the remainder of his flock which he made 894 being 7 short of
the count Oct 16th. — Rev^d Messrs Williams & Gardner came. — Commenced
altering sheepwash; & putting down boards at the sides.

Hampton
cook
for
shearers

11th Owing to heavy rain coming on, no more sheep were washed. — 2 shearers
named Jones & W. Smith came. Set Hampton to cook for the shearers.

Whitely's
shearers
streams come

12th 8 shearers, viz. Gregory, E. Smith, Lyles, Lovell, Railstone, Horton & two
others. — Whitely's Teams arrived in the evening bringing 4 flour woolsacks &

Bricklayers
& plasterers.
Prices of
works

13th Hired a Bricklayer named Wm Davies, recommended by Mr Rudge of
Leamington, at £1 per week for rations, to come in 5 or 6 days. His mate
William Belbin (a married man) (both of them F.S.) to come in about 6 weeks
to do house for 3-coat work 6¹/₂ per yard. He is also to lay bricks until
the walls are ready for plastering. — Tippet, a Blacksmith from Deloraine,
jobbing here today. — Completed alterations of the woolprep. — The 800
4-teeth Wethers (Porter's) which had mixed with a lot of the Store W. were
drawn off today & sent to Lamb Park. There were wanting 12 sheep to
make the count of the whole of the Store W. correct. — 433 in
Ebbgate PK, & 493 in Whitegate PK, includ^d 193 Porter's Culls &c.; All are
now in Whitegate PK. — Sent by Whitely's Teams for Woolmens 40
Bags of oats weight 2¹/₂ tons. Nett. — & measur^d 140 Bushels.

Tippet
Blacksmith
4-teeth
Wethers
Store W. 12 wethers

Oats to
Woolmens.

Shear 2-teeth
sheep.
Price of shear^{ing}.

14th Began to shear. Sheared about 260 of the 2-teeth ewes & wethers. —
Arranged to give the shearers 4/6^d per diem, supposing that they will
shear in the day (of 10 hours exclusive of dinner & breakfast) 45 sheep
each. — Sheared 7 hours today. — I acted as Woolsorter until 1 o'clock.
Dunning (for whom I sent J. Edwards yesterday to Woolmens) came &
went on with the sorting &c. — Mr Braunsgrum came ^{the day before} yesterday and
bought a cow for £5 which he took away. — The new-sized wool-
pack answers very well; — it is 3.6 x 2.2 x 2.2. — Washed 893 Wignalls
4-teeth ewes; to Marsh Meadow. — 2 of the 2-teeth sheep have died in
the paddocks since being washed. — Mr Jos^h Archer writes me that
he & Mr Cox intend offering themselves as candidates for seats in
the new Council. — The qualification is the possession of £2000 worth
of property, I am told.

Woolsorter
I saw to Mr Braunsgrum

New-sized
woolpack
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Wignalls
4-teeth
sheep
leads

Members
for new Council

15th Sunday. Rev^d Mr Williams here in the evening. —
16th Showy weather which prevented our shearing. — Rode to the stone
quarry in the afternoon, and found that Knowles had got some
tolerable flags and about enough or nearly enough stone for a base-course.

Stone at
quarry

Dec^r 17th Commenced shearing at 11 o'clock. Rode round the Stockyard PK, where the oats look well, - and the W^t PK, where the sorrel is spreading & killing the oats; so that I determined to turn in cattle at once. Sheared 6 hours. - Drew out the store W. from Porter's W. - 1 of the latter missing, - 2 of the former also, & 1 dead. - 2 more shearers Gould & Harrell came for a day or two. - Sheared 281, 2 teeth sheep. Sheared 10 hours. Finished 2-teeth sheep, & commenced West End W. - Washed Porter's W. 799, by tally. - Procured a box of cracking (Wallan) from Deloraine. - C. H. came from Port Sorell. - Put 19 steers, 16 cows & heifers from White gate PK, & 7 heifers from the Flat in MAPK. - Counted 8 hacks of bricks for Worley, to form another kiln, 24840; the former kiln contains 27400 bricks. -

18th Finished 2-teeth sheep, - began on the West End W. Washed Porter's 800 W. Cattle to W^t PK. Bricks in 2 kilns. Sheared 10 hours. Rode to the Sugar-loaf Run to look out a place for a shepherd's hut, - and thought that a position near Chitty's Creek would be the most advantageous. - Gould & Harrell left this evening. -

19th Sheared 10 hours. Washed 2 Store Wethers, including the culls from J. Porter's flock. - C. H. started for Port Sorell. - Shearing the ewes from the E. side today; their fleeces are tolerably large, and clean. -

20th Sheared 10 3/4 hours. Washed 2 Store Wethers, including the culls from J. Porter's flock. - C. H. started for Port Sorell. - Shearing the ewes from the E. side today; their fleeces are tolerably large, and clean. -

21st Braided 408 2-teeth ewes, and also 397 Wignall's ewes with which they were mixed, (making 805 in all) and sent to the E. side. Drew from among Wignall's ewes 20, 6-teeth W. and 7, weakly E. which I were also braided, together with 365, 2-teeth W. (includ 518 W.M.W.) making in all 892, which were put in Blackgate Padk. - 1, 2-teeth W. died in the yards, so that there are 11 missing. - The shearers did not behave at all well today, not shearing better than the average of work done by the 100. I noted them soundly for their knavery. - This afternoon the unshorn sheep (Porter's flock) mixed with Wignall's shorn sheep in Lane PK from Bright's Hill: we tried to get them out but it was too late in the evening, when we knew it first, to thoroughly effect this: there were about 200 or 150 shorn sheep left with the others in Bright's Hill. - W. J. Bramich (married yesterday) came today and bought a 4 yr old steer for £6, which he paid. -

22nd - Sunday. -

23rd Sheared 10 shearers, 10 hours; Gould & Harrell 8 1/4 hours. - Finished Wignall's flock, and commenced the 4-teeth Wethers (Porter's.) Washed 713 (by tally) 6-teeth Wethers from W^t Plain & 1, with leg broken, killed for ration. Gave W. Drake £6, and leave to go to Launceston for the week. -

24th Sheared 10 hours, (12 shearers.) Finished (Porter's) 800 W. and commenced Store W. Braided (by count) 669 Wignall's ewes, (sent to their run,) 55, 6-teeth W. (for Porter) and 21, weakly and better ewes (for Store flock); also 522, 4-teeth W. from

Wignalls' market flock.
 where branded.
 Woolwash.
 Lined wool.
 Christmas "Rations".

West End, 153 not brought in from the padth. - Wignalls has now on his run 1474 ewes, viz. 408, 2-teeth ewes, 1106, 6-teeth ewes: 55, 6-teeth W. 121 weakly ewes have been drawn out from his flock, & has been drawned; so that there are now 5 unaccounted for: - These ewes are branded on the off-side. Commenced washing the wool which has been taken off the skins of slaughtered, and other sheep by means of lines: the line has been rather carefully applied, - so that an improvement in this matter will be necessary. - Gave to each man upon the Establishment 12 lb plums, 1/2 lb Suet to help towards the making of a Thomas pudding: - They have also 2 lbs of meat each & flour if required.

Christmas Day.

25th Christmas Day. - Among those who "keep Christmas Day" how very many there are who do not know why it is so called; how many more who only know that, caring to know no more; how many who attend to the ordinances of the Church outwardly; how very few who remember the blessings which the event-commemorated was intended to convey, and who strive to make them their own. "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners". He died for our sins "and rose again for our justification." $\aleph \beta \gamma \delta \epsilon \zeta \eta \theta \iota \kappa \lambda \mu \nu \xi \omicron \pi \rho \sigma \tau \upsilon \phi \chi \psi \omega \pi \alpha \rho \alpha \tau \omicron \nu \tau \omega \nu$

The men.

To prevent the men's going away to the Public Houses, I set them to cricket and various games, giving prizes for races &c. - I allowed them a fair share of cider, which however was almost too much for a few weakheaded ones, owing I suppose to the heat & exercise of an unmounted kind. - Read Morning Prayers & a sermon.

Wool at Woolmers.
 Porter's flock for the Sugar-loaf Run.
 Branded
 Comparisons.
 1 case of Wignalls in Saffers PK.
 Sheared, 10 hours.

26th Rec^d a letter from Woolmers from my Brother, saying that they had packed 128 bales of TA wool, and 6 of A wool, total 134 bales. Branded the remainder of the West End sheep 153, and with them 6 sheep (2. & W.) 2-teeth, and 3. 4-teeth W. (I suppose) which have straggled through the bad fences, & joined them. Branded Porter's flock, (branded on the near shoulder) - 1085; of which there are 353, 2-teeth W. - 58, 6-teeth W. - 1674, 4-teeth W. - Sent them to their run, the Sugar-loaf Run. 1 of Wignalls ewes was left on the Saffers PK among the S.M. ewes, with which she must now remain; - so that he has 1473 sheep. - Sheared 10 hours. Commenced washing by hand the lined wool on the 24th, about 1/2 of it washed today; very slow work! - Sent yesterday by the postman

Parcels to Port Sorell.

to Port Sorell for all some sago & oatmeal in a parcel, & some white crape between 2 pairs of stockings in another; also a letter by post. - The prizes which I gave yesterday amounted to 17/6. - Sent Blackaby with letters for the post to Westbury. - Return filled up for D.C. - 23 ac. |

Pot ^s	W ^g	W ^g	Bush Land	Houses	Cattle	Sheep	Oats	Pot ^s	Oats	Pot ^s
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Dec 2nd 18th - Turned out the bales of wool from the barn, for the purpose of marking & numbering them. Finished, weighed 36. - Rode to fix the site for the shepherd's hut on the Sugarloaf Run; and arranged it with Y. Porter, whom I met at the spot. - Mr Douglas's 2 wagons, with 4 horses in each, arrived to take away the wool. - Altered the frame of one of the wagons. Helped to sort a quantity of the skin wool in the store preparatory to washing it; - During the coming year it must be sorted, as it is taken off the skins, and the different kinds of wool kept separate. -

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Mr Douglas's Wagons.
Goods brought.

Bales. no weight.
Sheep to come from Woolmer.

Jan^y 3rd.

Intended to start for Port Sorell but detained by rain. - Mr Douglas's teams remained also. - Had the Store put in neat order and shifted the nails from left room below to right room, keep^d the former for myself. - Porter brought the Hereford Bull from Mr Jos^h Asher; an ugly brute. Started for Port Sorell on Pigeon, - Blackaby driving. Bounced in the taxicart. Went by the way of Middle Plain, and found the road very much better than that from Deloraine to Whiteford Hills. - Reached Port Sorell at 4 o'clock. - Obtained through Blackaby change in notes & silver for £8, or rather to that amt. from J. Thomas. - Mr Douglas's teams left with the woad.

Hereford Bull.
To Port Sorell.

Salt of the wood.

5th Sunday. Mr Wheeler reads Mon^y Prayer & Sermon at the Police Office.

Sand for Pensioners
Nest of large Spider.

6th Drove in the direction of the Newground; Mr Wheeler & Mr S. Thomas examined the neighbourhood halfway between there & Bungep for land to settle some of the immigrant Pensioners there. Examined the raised subconical top of the nest of a large spider, which is found in moist places; the raised part keeps the mouth of the hole above water, during overflow of the ground. - Saw numerous plants of *Cryptostylis longifolia* in the meshes. - Bernard Harman, Carpenter, came.

Cryptostylis.
B. Harman.
5-mile beach.
old Donald.

7th Started at 6 o'clock, and hav^g been crossed over the Port Sorell River by old Donald Coomack, (once a soldier in the 73rd Regt.) walked (with Blackaby) along the 5-mile beach, pick^d up a perfect specimen of a Pecten, and also some other shells. - Walked to the summit of the Asbestos Range (but found no asbestos) when a thick mist came on which induced me to make for the beach, and make for home.

Asbestos Hills.

Pigfaces &
Senecogon
Richii.
Dogfish skins.
Sheep from Woolcum.

Gathered some pigfaces^(a few) and berries of *Senecogon Richii* ripe, & made a tolerable collection of new and known (to me) plants, in flower or fruit. - Told Donald to get me as many dogfish skins as he saw. - 8 & 4 - 2 teeth. Wethers arrived at Knight's Corner from Woolcum. My one in charge of John Edwards, to whom I have lent Sessie. -

North Down.

8th Drove along the North Down beach, and collected some mutton fish, and one or two other shells. Made P.P.C. calls on Mrs Bat Thomas, & at North Down House. - Blackaby found 6 or 7 fine specimens of "*Dipodium punctatum*" in full flower, but the dots were not so dark as I have seen them. -

Dipodium.

Paid sundry debts.

9th Busy the greater part of the day arranging my plants. - Paid Mr S. Thomas £1.17.0 for sheep; & left 4/- for Mrs Bat Thomas for pad^{ng} for horses; - paid Mr Battlett, Drunkeeper £9.4.0 for servants' lodging &c. - & Mr Thomas sen^r £1 for Hay. - Gave O'Hara (Mr Wheeler's serv^t) £2. - Porter took Snip to Whiteford Hills. -

Returned to Chestnut.

10th Started at 8 o'clock from Payston, & reached home at about 2 past 7 P.M. -

Jan 11th - Found that the foundations were not quite up to the level, at the new building, but progressing pretty well. - The tobacco is showing for a very small crop, in all the places where it has been sown. The stone-casting is finished for the new cottage.

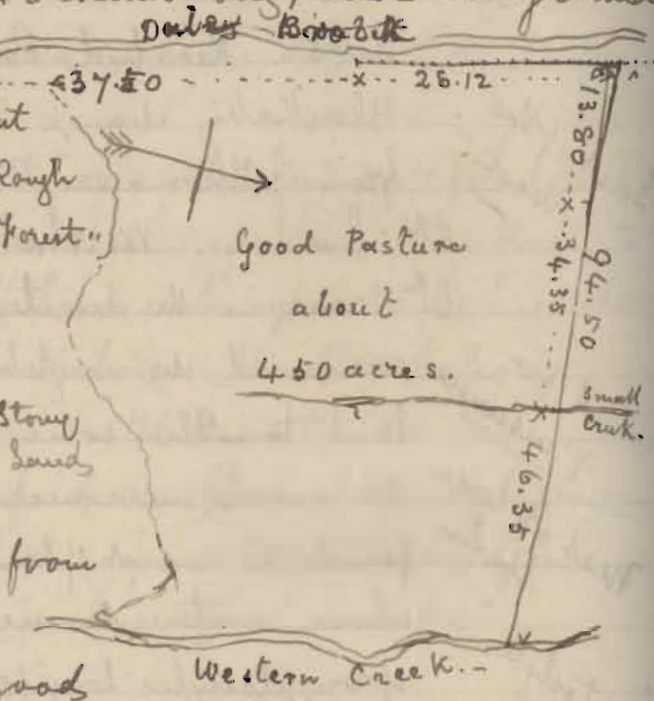
Tobacco plants.
Finished stone-castings.

12th Sunday. - Read a sermon on 2 Cor. 5. 17. -

13th Rode to examine the land across the Western Creek, and found that the fence of W. Gibson's was about 94 1/2 chains long, and the ground somewhat as below, at the margin.

Ground across Western Creek.

The line of W. Gibson's fence bends, about 1 1/2 point to the N. of W. 13.80 chains from the W. end of it. - There is a small "Forest" Creek 46.35 chains from Western Creek. A 3-railed fence, erected to facilitate the getting-in of wild cattle extends for more than 28 chains along the Dale Brook, and about 80 chains from W. Gibson's corner there is a marked tree. - There are barely 450 acres of good pasture-lands. - Two men of the name of Gorman came to buy horses, to whom I offered the 3y^r old cart filly for £12, they offer £11. - I offered them 2 old mares for £9. -



Gorman.

14th Gorman (Jim?) took the low-backed grey mare for £5, leave £5 in my hands. - Busy making out my accounts to the 16th Jan^y for the Snows. - Kelly & Stephens brought up from Washburns 1995 sheep: they started with 7100 lambs & 490 2 teeth W. - and left 1 at Mr. Hoates, 1 at Mr. Martin's or thereabout, & 1 at the Leachy paddocks. I also fell dead ^{It is unaccounted for.} they were to have been quite clean, but it seems that scab has been among them, to my annoyance & perplexity; for I have no place for them. - Sent E. Willington away before he 10/.

Sold old grey mare.

Sheep from Washburns.

Eliza Willington sent away.

15th Busy making out the accounts for Snows Meeting. -

Accounts to the Snows.

16th As yesterday. - Started in the afternoon, 5 o'clock, & preached Westbury at 8 o'clock, on Jesus. -

To Washburns Snows Meeting.

17th Went on to Carrick by Douglas's coach; & thence to Washburns in Woodley's hired gig. - Snows met & transacted sundry matters of business. - Made out "Particulars & Dist." of the Bales of Wool from Washburns & Chesnut and wrote letters to Mr. Brooks. - J. & G's aunts not being ready, & mine being left behind by mistake no aunts were exam^d. - Hired H's 2 landers as cook at £15 per ann.

2 landers.

To Lanneston.

18th Went into Lanneston with Mr. G. & arranged to pay £1500 into the U.B. by a bill at 60 days sight on Mr.

Draft on
Mr Brooks.
Insurance
of wool.
Bills of Lading.
Letters &
parties.
Mr Pitt.

Brooks, drawn by me; (about £850 go to pay off advance from U.S. for farm purposes, & the rem^r to carry on business. — Having neglected to insure the wool in London I insured it (in my own name) at the Cornwall Ins^{ce} Office, at £25 per Bale for the whole of the wool excepting the Lamb wool at £30 per Bale, & the ^{the} ~~the~~ wool at £20 per Bale in all 188 Bales. — Having procured the Bills of Lading, Mr Josh Aukin & undertook to write the necessary letters with them; and I enclosed ^{one bill of Lading &} "one Particular" of the Wool, with advice conc^s Ins^{ce} to Mr Brooks. — I gave Mr J.A. also the D. letters of Exors to Mr Brooks, authorizing me to draw upon & correspond with him. — Returned to Mithum by Douglas's coach, in company with Mr Pitt of the Hunt's byrd, who went on to Deloraine in Baker's cart; on reaching Deloraine on Jessie, I hired Thomas's hack for Mr P. Trade with him & C.H. to Chestnut. —

Dondos &
Allington.
30 w. to
Mr Braumich.
Whitley's
Teams.
Lumber from
De Sittle.

Jan^y 19th Sunday. Rev^d M. Williams came in the afternoon, & went home.

20th Took Mr Pitt to the Stone-quarry & examined the main watergate at river, the bank &c.; — looked at the bridge, & the tobacco which is looking well but very few plants have come up. — John Dondos & W^m Allington, hired for 3 mos, at 6 shillings per week, came; they are both V.L. holders. — Sold 30 Wethers to Mr Braumich at 7/6 a head. —

21st Mr Pitt left, taking C.H. with him: gave the letter £2, & to Mr Pitt £11 to pay into the U.S. to my a/c. — Whitley's two carts arrived from Woolmers with flour &c.; & my two teams brought cedar & deals from Deloraine, (forwarded there by Mr De Sittle,) as under.

Chas Brown
& Mates.
Patt Ryan.
Began brickwork
new cottage.

Engaged Chas Brown & mate to fence for me at the rates of 8/ a hundred for splitting, 12/6 for boring & putting up, 10/-, and 3/ per rod for putting up — Hired Patt Ryan at £9 a year as but keeper. — Began brickwork of new cottage this morning. — Killed another hyaena. —

Went all
killed a
hyaena.
Oats to
Woolmers.
New sheepy
at Halls. (Carr & Siddle)
Patt Crow.

22nd Started Whitley's teams with 40 bags of oats, cart^s 140 bushels, for Woolmers. — Rode to the Halls & marked out ^{with Carr} new sheepyards. — Examined ground across main drain (at present used by Mr Parker) & arranged for a fence along the West^{er} Creek. — Hired Patt Crow at 6/ a week for 6 mos. —

Brown &
Mates.
Fence across
W. Creek.
Tools &c. to
them.

23rd Chas Brown & two mates came: I arranged that they should put up an American-log fence on the land between Dale Brook & Western Creek, at 10/ per rod, (4 log fence & rod panels,) I finding teams & drivers; — I gave them 3 axes, 1 paring knife & 3 plates, & they are to have an iron pot & a frying pan. — The lambs & 2 teeth W. last from Woolmers were got in, and the

Saunders 7
2 teeth W. last
from Woolhams

lambs drawn off, 400 sent by Brigstock to the Kalls Run, and
the rem^r 310, (counted) 5 of which belong to the ~~2 teeth~~ flock, put into the
Bull PK for the present. The 2 teeth W. 481 (counted) were put into the
Tent PK, to go to the Dalebrook run on Saturday, in charge of
Harrison, Brigstock's hut keeper. - These sheep, lambs & others, are
far from clean; some indeed have large "knots" of scab on them. -
Rode to Porter's hut, on Sugar-loaf run, and found it nearly
finished. Porter to bring the tent back tomorrow. Brown & mates
went to Hawkshaw's hut. (Josh Hawkins & Francis Whitkins.)

Porter's
hut.

Jan 4 24th

Rode to Dalebrook run, and, on endeavour^s to ascertain which wd be
the most suitable line for the bound^d fence on the S. side, I found that
a line of marked trees, commenc^d at the probable limit of our rented
land, stretched across the ground from creek to creek, in a directⁿ
nearly E. & W., but perhaps E.S.E. & W.N.W. - I believe that this line was
marked out by W. Scott the surveyor, for Mr Wul Gibson; perhaps in order
to discover how much land may be fit for rental behind one's. -
Told Brown & mates to construct their hut near the Westⁿ Creek. -
There did not appear to be more than 700 acres included between
the line of marked trees & Wul Gibson's fence, - which, by the by, is
not calculated to prevent lambs from getting through. -

Dalebrook
Run
Marking out
line of fence.

Yelow He to
Brown & B^s

Sent Paine with a dray & 6 bullocks, taking straws for fodder,
286 lbs of flour for the fencers, an iron pot & a frying pan, - also the
tent which was brought back today by J. Porter. - The Store Wethers
were in the yard today & branded (A on rump) - also the E.M. Ewes
from Lower Hill, from which as many were drawn as made up the
number of store ewes in Lane PK to 527, & 3 Porter's sheep, & 1 Wignalls
ewe, - 531 in all. - Sent cheques for amts of apts to seven or eight
shopkeepers in Lanneston. - Symons & Martin with two 2-horse
teams drew to ^{the} Building today abt 7000 bricks, 2 men assisting
them. Saumb is to have the use of the bedding which he has now

Store ewes
divided
Number in
grass paddk.
Paine's drawn
in one day.

Saumb's
Bedding.

as long as he remains here, and is to receive 1/2% in addition to
£y for bmas; Hall having given ^{or sold to} him his share of the bedding. -

Letter He to
Brooks

25th Copied "Particulars" of wool, and forwarded the copy with 2nd Bill of Sads
& letters to Mr Brooks, to go by the Potentate. - A Carpenter, named
Thos Wilkinson, came, to work with Harman. - Rode across the

Sand across
Westⁿ Creek.

Westⁿ Creek to examine line of fence & direction of same, erected as
bound^d to Wul Gibson's property. I found that the fence is not at all
in the line, but runs across it, taking in a large portion of the
best land in our rented (1000 acres) lot, and excluding a quarter or
much stony ground on the Westⁿ Creek. Directed the fencers to wait

until I let them know where they will commence on Monday morning.
Wm Harrison went with 481-2-teeth Wethers to Dalebrook Run today; he will stop at Hawkshaw's hut. - Sent 236 lbs flour yesterday for fencers &c. -

Sheep to Dalebrook Run. Yellow to Wethers for fencers &c. Jan 26th

27th Rode to Dalebrook Run, and starting from the point at which the line of marked trees, constituting Wm Gibson's real bound^y, crosses the fence put up by Mr G. I measured by chains towards S. 26° W. (being a perpendicular to the true bound^y); and, upon measuring further, I found that the line lately marked by Mr Scott is 31 chains nearer the Mts, so that the ground contained between it & Wm Gibson's true bound^y wd be about 1450 acres: I therefore determined to apply for 500 acres more, above our present lot of 1000 acres, immediately. - The line marked by Mr Scott appears to have the same direction, to a degree or two, as the line of Wm G's bound^y. - I determined also to delay the putting up of the log fence until I had arranged matters concerning the addit^l lands; - and directed Brown & Co to split stuff for the 4-railed fence which will run along Dalebrook. - Paine & the oxen to return home. - Mr Braunsgrone came and looked at the sheep & cattle which are for sale. I sold him 6 4y^r old steers at £5, and 14 cows & heifers, from Bull PK, at £4; - to be taken away on Monday next. -

Measuring & marking out line of bound^y on Dalebrook Run.

Brown & Co to split. Sold 20 head of cattle to Mr Braunsgrone.

28th Moved the store Wethers from Bright's Hill to Tucker's Bog. - Counted 850, which with 103 drawn out for Mr Brauch make 953 besides a few killed for rations. - 2 of Porter's Wethers ^(many counted to begin) will have mixed with the sheep in Tucker's Bog before coming in again to the yards. - Gave Hawkshaw for Brown & Co 2 large, 1 middling, & 2 small wedges, 1 ragstone, 1 flat bastard file, 2 Xcut saw files, 1 scythe rubber, 2 anvil rings, 1 2^{inch} auger & axe. Sent Talbot to J. Porter's hut in the afternoon to build the chimney, & to tell Porter to let me have the Xcut saw which he has, & wedges, if any. - Taylor drew out 10 store Wethers for slaughter & 30 store ewes, into Starkyard. - Rev^d Tho^s Reibey & wife arrived in the evening. -

Store Wethers.

To Tucker's Bog. Articles to Brown & Co.

Talbot to Porter's hut. Sheep for slaughter.

29th Sent to Brown & Co. by Rymer, 1 Xcut saw, & 3 wedges. - Moved the cows & heifers from Bull PK to the flat, - the steers from thence to Tucker's Bog, - & the breeding heeds & Bull from thence to Bull Padk. Fished in the Meander with Rev^d J. Reibey above Pine Bank; he killed 38 fish (herrings) & 19. - Salted 3 doz. -

Articles to Brown & Co. Moved cattle in the paddocks. Messings.

30th Procured spars for scaffolding of the new cottage. - Drove my carriage with Rev^d J. & Mrs Reibey Mrs W. A. Little & L. to the fishing place near Pine Bank. J. R. Killed 24 & 27. -

Rev^d J. Reibey. Messings.

Jan 31st 20w. to W.B. Braunsch.
Feb 5 1st
Kalls' sheep yards
finished
letter to W.B. Braunsch.
abt rented land
Lamb's thought to
have left Kalls'
farm.

Sold W. Y. Braunsch 20 store W. at 8/ each. - Talbot returned from Porter's hut. - Revd W. & Mrs. Peirce returned to Entally. - Cass & Snell have finished the yards at the Falls. - Wrote to the Surveyor Genl concerning the marks out of our bounded & fenced Crown land between W. Creek & Dale Brook, and offering to rent 500 acres more. - Briggstock tells me that he thinks some of the 400 Lambs sent to his run have come back to the Flat.

W.B. Braunsch
took away 20
head of cattle
brought 300
Wethers
Stone quarry
Lillo &c.

2nd Sunday. Read a sermon upon the subject of our Saviour as the plant of renown.
3rd Arranging work with Harman the carpenter. - W.B. Braunsch came, and took away 6 steers, 4 yrs old, - and 14 cows & 4 yrs old heifers; for which he has paid £86 into the W.B. on acct of W. & J. Archer - Checkmate. - He selected 300 Wethers out of the store lot, at 7/6 to be taken in two lots; one of which is to be at Westbury, with my shepherd, on the 11th morning; the other to be taken in 3 weeks. - Rode to Quarry Hill, & marked out a road for the stone carts. - Knowles has managed to procure some fine pieces of stone at the highest quarry both for window sills & heads. - Bathed in the Meander.

150 W. for
W.B. Braunsch
Messrs.
Young Hill sheep
strayed

4th Started Y. Porter with 150 Wethers for W.B. Braunsch, to Deloraine. - Revd M. Williams came. - Busy making out quantities of inside joiner's work. - Killed, with fly & gentle, in the Meander, below Long Hill, 16 herrings. - Taylor, this morning, got back from Cockatoo Plain a number, abt 200, of the Young Hill flock.

Harman to
Sammerton
cedar &c
nailed
fires -
log fence burnt

5th Gave B. Harman £6. He started in the afternoon to go to Sammerton, to get some tools &c for himself: he is to order cedar & deals, &c. for the new cottage. - There are fires in all directions, the air filled with smoke, and glowing with heat. - Harbickew came to tell me that a fire, which he had lit, had drawn down to the corner of Mt Plain, & burnt part of the log fence. I rode to look at it, & found abt 200 yards burnt; and the fire spreading & threatening still to advance along the fence easterly; - the damp night will check it, but the sun will call it again into destructive action; nevertheless, were it not for the loss of fences, much good would result to the pasturage. - Pd Josph Rogers for "Thomas" £7.7.0 in full to Jan 1:51. - Busy making out list of joiner's stuff for doors &c. -

pd f. Harman
fire in
Mt Plain

6th The fire in the upper part of Mountain Plain having spread I sent several men to hold it in check, and keep it from running along the log fence, which was effected, with some superintendence on my part. I rode out again in the afternoon and assisted the men to make good a barrier against the fire, by lighting, & then beating out again lines of grass up to a bushroad which the fire

was not allowed to cross. I rode out again at 9 o'clock in the evening, & found all tolerably safe. Men were appointed to watch during the night.

Feb 3rd of the
Rain.

Rain fell at daybreak, and quenched the greater portion of the fires in our neighbourhood, and the atmosphere, which had been for two days like a London fog, became clear, cool, & pleasant. - My. Braimech came & bought 26 Stone Weathers at 8/- He took them away. - Drake made a framed water carrier,

26 W. to Mr
Braimech.

Water carrier
Bright's Hill.
First stone from
the quarry.

to carry the water across from Bright's Hill to Same Pk; - and I had it moved to its position & fixed. - Rode to fishing-place, & killed 10 herrings. - The first load of stone brought from the quarry.

Irrigating
Same Pk.

8th Turned the water across the new watercarrier into Same Pk, for the first time of watering: it spread slowly over the thirsty ground; but I think that, with care & skill, this field can be well irrigated.

Triple sluice gate.

Took up the boards above the triple-sluice-gate, at Seith's Creek; & found that the clay had washed partly away, leaving a passage by which the water made its way at the side of & under the beams which support the gate-frame: it is to be puddled in the angle for the present.

9th Sunday.

10th After making sundry arrangements as to the work necessary to keep the bricklayers going with the building, - as to the irrigating of Same Pk &c. and the mowing of the oats, I started taking wife & family, with Mr. Symons as nurse for initially, & arrived there at about 7 o'clock.

40
Initially.

11th Went into Lanneston to the wedding of the Rev^d Mr. Williams, who married Miss Symott. - The Bishop officiated. Afterwards started to the cricket ground, where the match between the Victorians & Gasmanians was coming off. - The spirited conduct of the former, in coming over to play our cricketers, was the theme of general discourse & admiration. Among them were several very agreeable and intelligent men; particularly the Messrs Philpott, brothers, - Mr Slader, - Mr Thompson, - Mr Langhorn, - Mr Hamilton, - Mr Brodie, ^{Mr. Hall} & Mr Harvey. - Mr Simpson also, who represents stock to the extent of 67,000 sheep, & several others were goodnatured pleasant people. - The Lanneston people committed the great blunder of naming Mr Woolfield as one of their eleven, - a man with no pretensions to the position of a gentleman. The match did not terminate this afternoon. A dinner took place in the evening at which the Victorians were the guests. I went out to Initially with J. R. - My Brother intended to be at the dinner but was prevented by illness.

Rev^d Mr. Williams
married.

Cricket match
between
the Victorians &
Gasmanians.

The
Dinner.

February 12th The cricket-match continued this morning, & terminated in the defeat of the Victorians, - their opponents having three wickets to go down. Had Martill, one of their party, caught a ball struck up by Mr Gabart, however, the contest would have been very doubtful as to the issue. - again if Mr Thompson their chief-player had been fortunate they would in all probability have won the match. - Their great puzzle was the slow & high pitched style of bowling, particularly that of Mr Wm Henty, - being accustomed to fast bowling among themselves. - A mixed match was afterwards arranged, in which I played very badly, and Mr Thompson exhibited some very pretty play. Returned to Entally in the coach, in which J. R., Y. R. & myself had gone into town. -

Grand
Cricket match.

Cricket match
at the
College.

13th Mr & Mrs Sladen, Mr Thompson & Messrs Philpott, (Brethren,) joined the breakfast party at Entally, and afterwards Y. R. drove in his tandem-car with Mrs R. Mrs W. & myself to the College, where a match came off between the Collegians & Victorians, of one innings each in which the latter were victors by 27 runs. - Met Smith, a fellow passenger in the Aden, who is now a squatter in Victoria & partner of Sylvester. -

Samceston.

14th Drove wife & Sonny to Samceston to shop. Saw the Sunday school children, to the number of 1289 (I heard) boys & girls, pass down S^r John S^r. - Bought a new fishing rod at Corbett's. -

Fishing at
Dry's Bend.

15th Went with Y. R. to Dry's Bend to fish; Glen the gardener also with us. We returned home with about 5¹/₂ doz. herrings, some of which were very large: I caught 19. - Hired a little girl at £6.

Madspen
church.

16th Spent Sunday. Went to church at Madspen & heard a good sermon from Y. R. morning & evening. The singing was very good.

To Chestnut.

Mrs Y. R.'s birthday.

Sarah Jones.

Mrs. on Baptism.

John Davies.

Branding of
Calves.

Number.

Irreget in Lane PK.

PK.

PK.

17th Started homewards, and reached Chestnut at about 6¹/₂ o'clock. The 14th inst was Mrs Y. R.'s birthday; and she invited the Madspen children to a feast of fruit, beer, & stea. The little girl, Sarah Jones, came up with us in the carriage. I showed a paper which I had written to expose the inconsistencies of the Bishop of Melbourne's proposals concerning Baptism to Y. R. & Y. R. who is to send it to our Bishop for his opinion.

18th John Davies came up to perform the castration of the bulbeaves; and Porten branded. At the job all day. -

19th Finished the calves 45 Steers & 52 Heifers, total 97 Calves they are branded A O, the "o" stand^s for 1850, the year in which they were dropped. - Busy all day, almost attend^s to the irrigation of the Lane Park, which is in a fair way of being well watered now. Fixed the shaft firmly to convey the water from Bought's Hill. -

Feb 20th - Busy with Knowles in Sene PK. - Fished at Reibey's ripple and caught 16 herrings. - Got a load of Tobacco, - Yarn with yard.

Tobacco
Herrings

21st Hear^d from old Dick that there was a large number of herrings at the end of the bound^d fence between Halls Run & Field's land. I went there & killed in three hours 6 doz & y herrings, 15 doz. with artif^l fly, without gutters. - Wm Davis, Berickleyer to Westbury.

Herrings
Davis P. Lays away
Irrigating
Marsh Meadow

22nd Turned water on the Marsh Meadow: busy with Knowles & Symons, marking out furrows &c. -

23rd Sunday. -

Cook for
men.

24th On my way home I hired a man named Alexander Mackay as cook for the men, at £15 per ann. He holds a Y. S. - He came on the 18th inst. - Went to the new fishing place, & killed, in three hours, 4 doz & y herrings; principally without gutters. -

Herrings

25th Busy making drawings for new cottage; and irrigating in Marsh Meadow.

Bound^d fence
on Wm Parker's land

26th Rode to the Halls; & examined, with Carr, the creek between our land and Wm Parker's, pointing out the commencement and termination of the new line of fence. Went on to Woodlands, (the house having been burnt down on Saturday night,) and saw Mr & Mrs Winter there, on the ruins, looking out for the remains of prized articles. Mr Winter calculates that he has lost property to the amount of nearly £300. - Procured my letters &c. and reached home at 8 o'clock. - The lambs from Barn Pad^k were in the yard today, 315 (counted by G.H.) & y or 8 knots of scab were found. -

Woodlands
burnt.

The Lambs.

Cow to Mr
Bramich

27th Mr Bramich came and took away a cow, for which he paid me £3.15.0. - Drove my carriage into the Halls Run on this side of the Long Hill, and crossed at Reibey's Ripple, coming home across the ford by Field's hut. - Saw no herrings in any of the fishing places; they appear to have gone further down into deep water.

Herrings left
the ripples.

28th The Wm Plain flock was in the yard yesterday, G.H. counted 705 & 1 stranger, ^{4 missing}. I counted 1476 Wignall's flock today: there are 2 or 3 of Porter's sheep with them. - Rode to Farley's Plain and examined the neighbourhood. - Decided to rent 2000 acres there, and wrote to the Surveyor Genl accordingly. -

Wm Plain
flock.
Wignall's flock
Farley's Plain

March 1st - Sent to the "Examiner" for insertion an Address "to the Electors of the Westbury District", stating my opinions upon various matters. Discharged Pat^k Ryan. - Discharged Wm Davis yesterday. -

Address to
Electors.
Dick Ryan
& Davis.

2nd Sunday. - Read sermon on "reconciliation with God." -

Census.

3rd Two constables came and took ^{for the census} the number, age, sex, &c of the people on this establishment, who amounted to 44, one average number being about 33. - Helping the spread

of the water irrigating Barn Pad^k, & part of the Yelat. - Mr
W Brounsgrove came, and looked at the cattle in the paddocks,
and the sheep also. - Arranged a plan for renewing the sluice,
(which is in a bad state of repair,) at the entrance of Link's Bog
& removing it higher, abt 6 feet up stream. -

March 4th Sent the remaining 150 Wethers purch^d by Mr Brounsgrove
some time ago to Deloraine by Wignall. Mr B. has paid their
price into the U.B. - He is to come here on Monday week
and to take away Steers, Ewes, & Wethers: - the Ewes are to
be at 6/6, and the Wethers at 7/6. - Went after dinner to the triple sluice,
and prepared, with the 3 carpenters and Blackaby for putting down the
sluice gate.

Carting Oats. ^{new} frame of the gates, by piling along a sleeper, and one side, & filling in
above with stones. - Began carting in our Oats. - Yesterday
the Store W. were in the yard & counted 535 ^{of 1 stranger} (the 6 washed sheep
were shorn). - counted 501 Store Ewes, & sold 40 of them to Mr Bramish
at 6/6 per head. - C.H. counted 780 Hambro's W. red flock. 15 missing
& dead. - Brigstock reported yesterday 14 sheep drowned in the
main drain. -

Monday £10 Heavy Rain. 5th gave Morley £10 in two £5 notes. - Heavy rain, almost all day long.
Obliged to desist from carting the oats. - Worked a little at the sluice gate.

Finished sluice gate. 6th Busy during the forenoon, with the 3 carpenters, at the triple sluice gate
and finished it. - My address to the Electors of the Westbury Distⁿ in yesterday's Exam.
Address to Westbury Distⁿ.
The Bishop & Archdeacon at Deloraine. 7th Drove wife & Lucy to Deloraine in the gig. - Went to the church and
heard a sermon from the Bishop. - The enclosed portion of the burial
ground was consecrated. - Archdeacon Davies & wife were there. -
Called upon Mr & Mrs Williams & viewed their cottage. - Bought £2 worth
of books from Archdeacon Davies, including a large Prayer Book, and a
copy of the "Pearl of Days". - Put yesterday into Stockyard Pad^k 15
steers from Link's Bog & 12 steers from Blackgate Pad^k. - 9 steers
& 5 oxen into Blackgate P^k. - & Heifers in Dblegate P^k. -

Books. - 8th commenced laying the joists of the upper ^{main} floor of new cottage. -
Mr Whiteley's 2 teams which arrived last night with flour bran and
3 casks of cider, took away this morning 30 bags, contain^g 105 bushels
of oats. - Rode to the "Fence Swin" to look for herrings, but could
see none in the ripples. - Irrigating Barn Pad^k. The calves, just
taken from the cows, are with their mothers keeping up a very
unlikable & unmelodious noise. - Wrote duplicate letter of
advice to Mr Brooks concern^g Mr J. Archer's draft (as above)
for £2000 in fav^r of Messrs Jackson & Co. -

9th Sunday. - D. letter to Mr Brooks abt draft for £2000.

March 10th Lanes from Longfence PK in the yard. G.H. counted 657. The store
Lanes from
Longfence PK
Stone
Wm Belbin
Worley
Roger Greenwood
Martin Daniels
11th Knights' Corner sheep.

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March 10th Lanes from Longfence PK in the yard. G.H. counted 657. The store
Lanes in also; drew out 358 (into Stocky^d PK) of the best, & put the rem^r
105 (includ^d 4 W. & 1 E. of highwells) into Bright's Hill. - Wm Belbin, Bricklayers
with wife & 2 children, came yesterday: put them into Worley's hut. Worley
came also; - to go into Man's hut. - Rode to Westbury; spent the evening with
W.E. Martin. - Hired Roger Greenwood, at £15 per ann. & Martin Daniels at £10. -

11th Knights' Corner sheep: C.H. counted 873, 1 dead & 1 on run, £19 mising. -
Went on by coach to Lamceston, and bought sundry articles at
Robertson's &c. ordered black coat of Seer. - Stayed the night at
Entally.

12th Moved the young Wethers 309 (C.H.) from Barn PK to Dalebrook
Run, in charge of Harrison. - Went to town with Y.R. & J.H.R. to
play in a cricket match with the "Amateurs" against 11 Gentlemen
of the Lamceston Club. - I was unfortunate in the first innings, the
ball rising from the ground & striking my shoulder, then rolling
against the stumps & dislodging a bail: the second innings I made
8 runs, & was caught out, just as I was in good play. - The
ground is very bad. - We were thoroughly thrashed by 54 runs.
Returned to Entally; - and went to Longford in the evening to
hear the "Serenaders"; whose music, particularly the choruses,
was very pleasing, though by no means first rate: - the man
with the "bones" was very clever. - Slept at Entally. -

13th Rainy weather. Remained at Entally until the afternoon, &
went on to Westbury by coach. - Hired another bricklayer. -

14th Rode to Chesnut. Talbot to go away for medical advice, for
a scrophulous swelling, tomorrow: gave him £5. - On my way
down paid Syall's Bill £18.13.0. - 4 sheep killed by dogs in Dalebrook Run.

15th Mr Bramish came, and bought 20 ewes (Store) from Stocky^d PK at 7/-, and
20 Store Wethers at 8/- per head. - Drafted the remain^d Wethers into 3 lots viz.
the best in two lots, one of 200 in Blackgate PK, & one of 173 into Doublegate PK;
the third lot 144 of the poorest sheep into Whitegate Pad^k. - Total 517. -
Harrison came to say that he had found 12 more sheep dead (killed last
night) in his run: but had seen no more of the bitch and four pups
(abt 6 mos old) which he saw yesterday. - Blackaby brought from
Deloraine today 4 p^{rs} of large gate-hinges & bolts from John Thomas; -
some articles from Robertson's, knives from Corbett's, - articles from
Murray's, & books from England, by Capt Currie. -

16th Sunday. Rev^d M. Williams in the evening. (Mr Monckton Synnott with him)

17th Mr Bramsgrove came. - I sold him 13 Steers, from Stocky^d PK, (leaving 14).
at £5.2.6 a head: he took them away, having paid into the U.B. £47.10.0 on %.

94 mising.

Rain.

To Chesnut.
Talbot away.
W.D. & J. all.
Wild dogs among
Chestnut Run sheep.
12 killed.

20th & 20th W. to
Mr Bramish.
Store W. drafted.

Wild dogs among
Chestnut Run sheep.
12 killed.

Hinges & goods from
Lamceston, bot from
Deloraine.

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Deloraine.

150 W. to
Mr
Braungraves
Stock sold to
him for 7

so that he owes £19. 2. 6 balance for them. - I sold him also 150 Wethers at 8/- a head, which he is to pay for, send a Banknote to me by the post after next. He is to have on the 7th of April 100 Wethers at 8/6 a head (throwing out a few of the worst) and 100 ewes at 7/- a head (doing the same with them) also 4 Steers, the pick of those in Stocky & P^K, (which are to be increased by 9 Steers & 4 oxen from Blackgate P^K;) and 8 Heifers, the pick of 12 in Doublegate P^K (which are to be moved into Blackgate P^K).

Stone quarry

Wipe Cain Wethers

Selling now,
or
keeping to shear

Began upper part
of new cottage

Yarrow Hill W.

Rode to the stone-quarry, and found that Knowles had got three long stones for Sills to the large windows; and was about to get some stones for heads to the Upper-floor windows. - I rode also to Mt Plain, and searched for the *Chiloglottis diphylla* Br. which is now in flower, but found no specimens: on my way home I saw the 6 teeth Wethers, which are in excellent condition, and would sell probably for 9/- a head: however, if I keep them till shearing-time they will yield 4 lbs of wool each, worth about 4/- nett, the worth to the butcher probably 8/- a head; so that to keep them on would pay abt 1/6 a head more than to sell them now. - 2.8.D. - The Bricklayers today commenced the upper part (above the stringcourse) of the new cottage. -

The young Wethers from Yarrow Hill were in the yards to be dressed; - C.H. counted 521. There are 3 or 4 giddy sheep on the run. -

March 18th
Mt Plain
flock

Mr R.H. Davies

at the
Mersey

Drove my gig to Deloraine, and brought Mrs R. H. Davies to Cheshunt. C.H. counted the Mt Plain flock 704 including 1 Store & Wether: there was also

19th of Brigstock's sheep with them; 1 dead since last count. - Mr R.H. Davies came. ^{By preparing the plan of my new cottage} ^{visited Harrison's flock}

Caught 3 herrings. - R.H.D. 1. - The wild dogs still committing havoc among

21st Drove R.H.D. to Whiteford Hills, and on to the ford at the Mersey, with Jim in the gig; Blackabe, leading ^{Pison} and riding Jessie. - The country between Mr G. Field's house and the Mersey is beautifully adapted for sheep or cattle, particularly for the former; and not keep a sheep to the acre. Having reached the river we found that the fresh had not subsided and were told by young Kimbrey who came across the ford that the water was too high for herrings. - Davies without waiting for his dinner got away to the "swim" and soon gave a halloo or cooe, signifying success. I found that he had caught nearly a dozen already. After dinner we killed each as many as made our equal numbers ~~5~~ i.e. 9 doz. + 2 altogether. - We tried the black-fish holes after tea unsuccessfully, securing only a large eel.

22nd Began at the first swim, and moved across the river to various places; securing each 2 doz + 10, making the total number 4 doz + 10 + killing precisely the same number each.

angling

Use left the food at 5 minutes past 1 o'clock; took 1 3/4 hours to Mr
Fields, and reached home at about 6 o'clock. - Mr Bramish
did not come for sheep. - Barn & Nell finished 1/2 mile offening - across Chas

Return home

March 23rd Sunday. -

Sandstone
&
granite

20 W. & 20 E.
Mr Bramish

Shells

Dalebrook Run
flock

Limewares
Stone Ewes

Dalebrook Run
flock

Limewares
Stone Ewes

10 Cows from
Breed's Head
but

Gannon
took away
filly

Mr Sheen
bought ewes

£2 to Harman
£3 to Wilkinson

24th. Started for a precipice on the N. E. side of Cummings Head with
Mr Davies; and, after 5 hours walking reached the ridge of which
it forms part, but did not see the precipice. However we found
the sandstone in situ with horizontal beds; which confirmed
me in my opinion (agreeing with Jukes &c.) that the greenstone
is the older formation of the two; and that the sandstone has
been deposited, and washed away, leaving only portions here
and there, adjoining the greenstone. - Came down in about 4 hours.
Mr Bramish came, and bought 20 W. & 20 E. paying £15, thus owing
10/- for them. - Ewes from Saffrey PK in - Counted (Ct) 751. -

25th. Examined my shells with Mr D. who said there were some very
fine specimens among them, but only one rare one, a *Murex*. -
Rode to the West End & saw Harrison's sheep in the yard; there were
60 missing, some of which were supposed to be alive on the run, &
about 40 dead. - The tinman from Westbury came, and brought
3 sponging bottles, 3 water canisters, 1 candlestick, 2 Steamers & 4 Kannel.
for which he charged me £4.4.0. - Store Ewes from Bright's Hill
in; drew out 50 for use, & returned 55 included 5 4 W. & 1 Wignalls E. -

26th. B.H. Counted the remains of the Dalebrook flock 721, & 5 were left wounded
on W. End run, - 64 missing. - Drove Mr Davies to Deloraine, whence
she went on with Mr D. to Westbury. - Angled unsuccessfully near Deloraine
Bridge, though there were many fish in the deep water. - Box of 4 bottles of
Limewares from Brooks, Sarumston. -

27th. Making up Stock Acc'ts, &c. Drew out from Breeding Head 10 Cows in
good condition for sale to the butcher; - and put them in Dblegate PK. -

28th. Jim & Pat^r Gannon came to take away the 3 yrs old brown Cart
filly which I sold to them, & paid me the remain^g £6 (of £11) owing
by a cheque of Mr John Archer's. - Jim^r offered £13 for the Chestnut
colt, 3 yrs old, - or £10 and 1 Ton of Potatoes, deliv^d at the Falls: I am
to let him know about it. He also offered £15 for the grey cow
mare; - asking £18 for her. - Mr Sheen of the Chudleigh Inn came
to buy an ewe which is to spare in the store. It weighed 200 lbs
and at 5 per lb the price w^d be £4.3.4 for which he gave me an
order on Mr J. Horton. - I am to return what is above the Town
price. - Gave Harman £2 & Wilkinson £3 on a/c. - Walked through
Marsh Meadow &c. - The grass appears to come on slowly. -

March 29th
Letter to Mr Rogers about footman &c.

Mr Robertson's draft accepted

State of Balstock

Herrings

9th

Mr Mubreeing

Mr Balls flock
Philox & Josh Martin
Reg

April
Lower Hill

Ill again

2000 acres
Jackey's Plain
Planted

Revenue

Herrings
Knights Corner

Wrote or concluded a letter to Mr Rogers of Kemington, London, asking him to engage for me and send out a man & wife, as footman & housemaid, at £40 per ann., & a middle aged woman as Nursery woman &c at £20 to £25 per ann.; their wages to commence upon entering the vessel to come here, and the rem^d of the passage money, if advanced by my Agent, to be deducted during their hired service from their wages. - Accepted Mr J^r Robertson's draft for £42..2.10 and returned it to him: it is payable on the 1st April next. - Mr Winter came and asked me, in accordance with a letter which he brought me from Mr A. J. Marriott, to go with him to inspect the condition of Balstock, - to see whether or no it is left by Mr Foote in a state of "tenantable repair". - We agreed that the cottage is in every fair state, and the outhouses also, allowing for the effects of time, and reasonable "wear & tear"; - but we both thought that, had we been in Mr Foote's place, we should have expended from £10 to £15 upon the buildings & fences, &c. - In crossing the lower ford, on my way up, I saw a large number of herrings swimming above the ripple. - The Store boxes from backfoot corner were in the yard, and C.H. counted 318 + 1 W. -

30th Sunday. I was unable to conclude the Morning Service, from a severe attack of flatulent colic; which becoming much worse induced me to send for Dr Mubreeing, who arrived at 10 o'clock at night, when I felt much better and was up to receive him. -

31st Dr Mubreeing left. I paid him £5.5.0. - C.H. counted 1795 of the Yalls flock, 18 dead & drowned, 3 killed giddily, & 29 missing; of these there are 2 at the homesteads, 2 on Blowing Plain, & 1 with Mr Plain sheep. - Discharged G. Philox, & Josh Martin. - Rev^d Mr Williams & Mr Williams here. - Paid J. Hawkshaw £1.10.0 for the rug which I bought from him. -

1st Lower Hill flock in the yard. C.H. counted 52184 missing. - Rev^d Mr W. Swift left. -

2nd Another attack of flatulent colic commenced at about 10 o'clock, and lasted (at times very severe) until 3 o'clock on Thursday morning. - Borrowed Mr Winter's Evema apparatus, which was serviceable. - Received a notice from the Surveyor Genl that the 2000 acres in the Vic^{ty} of Quamby's Bluff (Jackey's Plain) were leased to me for Exors. -

3rd Busy preparing for returns of Stock &c. & Inventory at the Meeting of Exors. - Received an Evema Apparatus, &c. from Toyers. -

4th Returned Mr Winter's Evema App^r. - Sent a cheque for 20.£ (the rent of Jackey's Plain) to Collector of Int^l Revenue. - Drove to the Lower Ford and angled for some time, only killing 2 fish one of which had soft-roe in it. - C.H. counted 862 Knights Corner flock: there was 1 dead, 1 giddy on Kem, & 30 missing. -

April 5th - Entered the greater part of the minutiae of Stock Returns &c. - Rode
No herring
to the Meander, and scarcely saw a herring rise. - Obtained my deer-
skin tanned, from Holly. -

6th Sunday -

7th Marked out fences about the Homestead for Stewart & Co. - Made
arrangements concerning work in my absence. - The Log fence Park
sheep were in the yard, rather improved as to scab, but falling off in
condition. C.H. counted ~~50~~ 50 & 1 Porter's W. & 1 Town Hill Lamb. - 1 of these
Ewes is with Town Hill sheep. -

8th Drove to Westbury my little carriage with wife & bairns, & servant girl.
Angled at Ryemont Bridge with R.H. Davis, & killed 9 herrings. -

9th Drove to Entally, and thence to Woolmers. Mr Reiby had sent the Regi-
tome to Cheshunt. -

10th to 17th At Woolmers. 14th R. 2. Hermaide came, & went over the affairs of
the Knobs with us; return^d home in the even^g. -

18th & 19th - At Woolmers. - Mak^d out Inventory of Pers^d Prop^y & arranging
articles in the Store, for sale &c. -

20th Sunday. - Went to Church at Perth. -

21st Mr J. Auber came, and arranged for drawing on Mr Brooks for
£1000 &c. - I was attacked with severe flatulency, & went to bed. Dr
Kilgour attended me, & by degrees I was relieved. -

22nd Wrote to C.H. to come to Woolmers with my letters &c. - & to Mr Alex^d
Clarke, to confer with me conc^g Westbury Election business. -

23rd Mr Clarke came, & we arranged about the appointment of a
committee, who sh^d canvass the Dist^{ct} in my favour, - since
it appeared that Mr J. Auber 3rd intended to stand. -

24th & 25th & 26th at Woolmers. - C.H. brought letters, requisition &c. returned home.

24th Sunday. Stayed at home with the children. -

28th Finished the Inventory of the Cellar; & found that there are full £800
worth of wine &c. in it. - Did not go to Entally on acct of wet. -

29th Drove in family to Entally, and into Sarum-stow. Transacted
various matters of business. - ^{£20 to 1/2 of W. H. Auber - Cheshunt} joined the Australasian League
and put my name down for £105 subscription. - Returned to Entally.

30th Started for Cheshunt & reached home at 7 o'clock. The requisition
from Electors of Westbury to me appeared in the Sarum-stow newspaper
today, together with my answer. - While I was away Mr J. Braime

came on the 15th April & took away 20 W. & 20 E. for which he paid £15.10.0.

4 " " 20th " " " " 9 W. & 21 E. " " " " 11.3.6

4 " " 30th " (today) " " " " 20 W. & 20 E. " " " " 15.10.0

4 " " 14th April Mr Braime took away 4 Steers & 9 Heifers ^{£5.2.6} 3.15.0 and also

Stewart & Co
near
Log fence Park
fences.

Herrings
Captally
Woolmers.

Woolmers
Went 3rd He.

Mr. Clarke.

Requisition
letters by
C.H.

Wine in
cellar
£20 into W.B.
joined League.

Cheshunt
Requ^y
Patrick Moore
sheep to
Mr Braime
Cattle to Mr
Braime

sheep to
W. P. Mansgrove
1 Heifer not for

100 ewes & 100 Wethers, for all of which he has paid the price into the Union Bk to the Chestnut Act, as well as what he was in arrears, - with the exception of 1 Heifer at £3.15.0. - He also looked at some more cows & Heifers, which he will take next Monday I believe. - C. H. gave me £15.10.0 for the last sheep to W. B. Smith. -

May 1st Lamb & Wall discharged
Woolley & Mate discharged
Mr Winter

Discharged P. Lamb, & J. Wall. - Found the grass in the paddocks growing well. - The steers in Marsh Meadow are thinning tolerably. - Settled with & discharged Woolley & Mate. - Mr Winter came, & left his gun &c. with the intention of coming up to shoot. - Arranged about chimneys & new cottages. - Pat^k Moran, shepherd came up on the 3rd April. -

8 oxen from Woolmers

3rd A very wet day. - Wm Porter arrived from Woolmers with 8 old working oxen; - having delivered 4 to Mr Davies's (of Post Sorell) man, at Deloraine. -

Condⁿ of store cattle
old oxen
height of cows

4th Sunday. -
5th Inspected the store cattle, which, on the whole, are doing better than I expected. - Removed the 5 old oxen from Marsh Meadow to Bee Pond, & joined with them the 8 from Woolmers, making 13 there; - they are all, but one or two, very poor. - The 10 cows from Breed's Head are fat: there are five of them of 650 lbs weight each; & the others about 530 to 550.

Garnon for chest colt -
Wooden ploughs
Seed oats

6th Still very wet weather. Mr John Garnon came to take away (tomorrow) the chestnut colt that I sold him. - I sold him, for £7, 4 wooden ploughs (2 of them for oxen) and 3 imperfect ones; (2 being without ironwork, and 1 broken in several places;) they all wanted shares & coulters. - Garnon says that he cannot get a share, (fitted,) for less than 16/-, nor a coultre for less than 4/- or 5/-. - I agreed to purchase 60 to 100 bushels of seed potato-oats from him, at 5/- per bushel, - to be delivered here. -

Taylor to have £25 per ann. from 12 May inst

7th - Garnon took away the chestnut colt. - I promised S. Taylor £25 per ann. this will be from the 12th May inst. - Moran with Wignall. -

To Westbury
letter to Mr Brooks
Bill of exchange for £1000 -
Books
Ordered books of H. G. Bohm

8th Rode to Westbury & rem^d for the night. - Wrote to Mr Brooks advising of a draft on him for £1000 in favour of U.B. - Telling him abt books (of which I enclosed a list) ordered of Bohm. - Wrote to H. G. Bohm ordering the following books viz^t. - "Walks about Jerusalem" & "40 days in the Desert" (pub^d by Hall Virtue & Co.) - Jardine's Nat^l Sib^l. 4 vols. col^d plates. - Piet^l Edⁿ of Bible, 3 vols 8vo. - Prof Owen's Comp. Anat^y. - Walker's Anal^y of Beauty in Women. - Blackstone's Comm^{on} Law. - Rob^t Hall's works. - Murray's Encyc^{lo} of Geog^y. - Johnson's Farmer's Encyc^{lo}. - Art Journal from Jan^y 1850. - Hunt^{er}. - I also reminded him about J. D. Hooker's Flora Tasmaniae, L. W. Zealandiae, & Work on Indian Town. - Sawley's Man^{ual} of Cook^{ing}. - Debandolle's Prod^{uct}.

To Lannerton £21 to League
Pd Robertson

9th To Lannerton by Douglas's coach. - Pd £21 to Arist^{ian} League. - Ordered sundy articles. Paid Robertson in full to Dec^r 31: 50. - Discovered that the articles which we had wiped from the case from Robertson had been put into it.

Robbery of
Case of goods
val £150 to
1099/-
Report Rob.
to D.C.
Sketch for cottage
to G. Peirby.

by his shopmen, and must therefore have been abstracted by Douglas's cattle
at Thomas's Inn, or by Bloom who took them to Cheshunt. - Paid
£150 to my private acc^t at the NB. - Returned to Westbury for the night.

Syall,
Mutton Saw?
Sold Gipsy
Action
Committee.

May 10th - Reached Cheshunt at ab^t 12 o'clock, - made a list of the articles missing
from the case, & sent it to Mr Humphreys D.C. Deloraine, with particulars
of the transaction. Sent sketch for cottage & gateways to Rev^d J. Peirby.

11th Tuesday. Still rainy weather.

12th - Mr R. Syall & two others came to look at the young horses. - I offered
my Hadzee Baba colt for £30. - Sold Gipsy, ploughman (kicks when at
work) to Mr Syall for £8. - There will be a meeting of the persons who
invited me to come forward as a candidate for the represⁿ of the Stⁿ tomorrow
to nominate a Committee &c. - Made out list of dogs for registry.

13th Sent Gipsy to Westbury by W. Porter.

14th Walked through some of the paddocks & found that the Storo Steers are improving
in March Meadow; and the cows in Doublegate M^r.

15th Look Rutland & Phoebe, my pointers out, & shot over them 2 brace of quail, Rutland
behaving himself remarkably well. - Porter brought a cow from a Saddler
at the Red Gate; she calved last night & I am to give him £6 for her, if
she be equal to his description of her. - Examined Black Bay &c. - Set a tenant of
Mr Polysthy's have a work of steel, for which he is taking the market price in March 1852.

16th Mr J. Winter & his Brother Mr W. Winter came to breakfast, & afterwards
we went out with dogs (brought by them) after quail, & bagged 13 brace, losing
of dead & wounded birds, about 3 brace. - The visitors rem^d for the night.

17th Yesterday my 13th birthday; forgotten till today. - Rode with Mr J. Winter to
Deloraine. Bought 1 brace of Mr Hays; being quite out of it. - Mr Winter is
to have 4 brace of quail at Intally for me.

18th Sunday. Mr & Mrs Williams here.

19th Rode to the sawpit in Falls Run with Mr W. - Ordered 2 prs of gateposts.
Also rode to Dalebrook Run, and marked out a place for an enclosure
in which to yard the sheep at night. - Saw Brown's new fence; it is a
very fair job: - He says that he will require 2000 more posts & rails to
complete the line; & has put up now 367 panels. - Mr Braungrove came
& selected 100 (out of 128) ewes at 4/6 - and 104 (out of 128) Wethers at 9/- which
he has not yet paid for. - Taylor took them to Mr Braunich's for the night. -
Mr Braungrove is to have the 10 cows from Broad's Wood at £5.10.0 a head,
and 5, 4yr old Heifus at £4.10.0 a head; to be sent to Westbury on Thurs-
day the 29th May inst^t, for him. - Sent Stewart & mates to split stuff for
sheepyards, at the Sugar loaf Run Hut. - They have burnt 2 kilns of
charcoal.

20th Drove to Deloraine with Mr W. & L.A. called on the Westons.

21st Mr J. Braunich came, and bought 12 Wethers at 9/- a head, & 20 ewes at 4/6 a head.

Storo
Steers.

Pointers.

Cow from
Saddler.

Map of
Winter.

Quail.

Bot Butler
Quail to
Intally.

Quail.

Quail.

Quail.

Quail.

Quail.

Quail.

Quail.

Quail.

Quail.

Quail.

Dalebrook
Run, June, &c.

Brown & Co.

Mr Braungrove.

Sheep and
Cattle.

Stewart & Co.

Charcoal.

Called on the
Westons.

to Mr
Braunich.

Arranged work for the mechanics, and started for Westbury after Noilock. Called at Mr Rook's thumbed there. - Rode on to Westbury. - Dined at Mr E. Martin's. - Heard that Mr Bishton had represented that I was willing to retire in favor of Mr Samuel Martin as Candidate for the Representⁿ of Westbury; - and asked him for his authority. He named Rev^d Y. Reibey.

to Westbury
Mr Bishton's misrepresentⁿ
May 22nd

to Sammerton. Signed deed of Transfer of land at Franklin Village to - Chugg, - and a Deed as Trustee of some property belong^g to Mrs R.R. Davies. - To Carriek by coach in the afternoon; - thence in Mr Pascoe's vehicle to Moreton. Remained for the night. - Arranged to engage the younger daughter (abt 15 yrs old) of a man named Carpenter as nurse or housemaid at abt £9 or £10 a year. - Heavy rain in the morning.

to Sammerton
Signed Deeds
to Moreton
Engaged a girl

23rd To Lutally, to see Y. Reibey, but he was away from home. - To Westbury for the night. Spent the evening at Mr Jones's.

to Westbury
Mr Jones

24th Rode with Mr E. Martin to Eaton, and saw Mr Samuel Martin, to whom I mentioned Mr Bishton's statement, he said it was correct, - that he had said so to him. - Purch^d a cow from him, & paid him £6. - Rode on to Deloraine, & wrote to Y. Reibey concern^g Mr Bishton's statem^t, - to Mr Huttley encl^{os} £1.16.0 for air bricks, - to Mr Braunsgr^ove to pay into the U.B.^k cash owing for sheep & cattle, - & to Rev^d A. Steukhouse.

Mr Samuel Martin
Purch^d a cow
Wrote to Y. Reibey
abt Mr Bishton's
pd Huttley

Mr John Archer is to start as a Candidate for the Westbury Dist^{ct}. - Mr Syall paid me £8 for the plough mare Gipsy. - Called on Mr Jas McArthur, on my way to Cheshunt. - Rain.

Mr John Archer
a Candidate for West
bury Dist^{ct}
£8 from Mr Syall
Mr J. McArthur

25th Sunday. - Heavy rain.

26th Settled with and discharged Amos French (free) but keeper, on account of extreme idleness; - also John Stewart, (or Stewart) Keeper, & Splitter. - Sent W. Harrison to the Halls to keep but for a time. - Rode to Porter's hut, & marked out sheepyards. - Walked through the grass paddocks, in which there is much water lying. - The steers are still improving in condition, and the grass is abundant.

Disch^d
Amos French
John Stewart
W. Harrison
Sheepy^{ards} & ut
Porter's hut
Kat Steers

27th & 28th Very heavy rains. - I found on riding to my bridge in the afternoon that a large log had floated with one end against the pier in the river & the other on the E. bank, causing the pier to be slightly displaced, and the bridge a little twisted.

Bridge twisted

29th Despatched Porter with 14 cows to be deliv^d at Westbury to Mr Braunsgr^ove. one cow, being lame, was kept back. - He has paid the price of the sheep last sent into the Union Bank. -

Cows to
Mr Braunsgr^ove

30th Drove Mr W. & Ed. to Deloraine in the gig. & called on Mr & Mrs McArthur. Mrs McA. was ill in bed. - We heard of a murder committed, by a probationer in the employ^{ment} of Mr Hills, Keeper, beyond Deloraine, upon his fellow servant: he also attempted to take his master's life, & wounded

to Deloraine
A Murder

him very severely; Mr Mills saved his own life by striking the mad man on the forehead, and stunning him: the neighbors there came to his assistance, and the murderer was secured. - J. Gannon came with oats.

Oats from Gannon.
Licensing.

31st Settled with Gannon & paid him a balance of £6.7.6 in full to date. - He brought 93½ bushels of oats at 5/-; against which there was the sum of £10 balance due for 13 yrs old cart colt, & £7 for ploughs. - Rode to the quarry, and found that Knowles had come on beds of shale, and inferior stone on the lower side, but found some good blocks on the upper. -

Irish apple potatoes.
Cow from Rev S. Martin.

Gannon brought me a bag of potatoes called the Irish Apple; - they are large & irregular in form, with a pinkish skin. - Porter brought yesterday the cow which I bought of the Rev S. Martin.

June 1st Sunday.

Springthorpe & Talbot & Vallington
took up my Hodge Baber horses.
Sunday driving.
The men's cook, Thomas Hitchem.

2nd Permitted Springthorpe, Talbot, & Vallington to go to Lammeston for a walk. - I gave them £10, £10, & £6 respectively. - Ingram took up my Hodge Baber horses today. - Rode to Field's hut, to see Mr S. Field, who came up yesterday; the hutkeeper told me that nine horsemen were up, & went away again, having brought 400 heifers: - Sad Sabbathbreaking! - Looked up the men's cook, and admonished him to be more cleanly in his habits, to keep the room & oven-house clean &c. - Arranged to renew the oven and enlarge the fireplace in Kitchen. - Ordered Porter to move 6 of the Steers from Marsh Meadows to Obligate Pth, and to remove the Store Cows and heifers from the Flat, to Lane Pth, in order that the poor cattle from outside the fences may be placed in the former, and supplied with straws: - for there is no chance of our making an arrangement with the Fields, to rent O'Kearnell's Marsh of them, at least so it appears. -

Moved Store Steers & cows.
Poor cattle.

To Westbury & Rutally - Mrs Bar. Thomas.

3rd Rode to Westbury. - Saw Mr E. Martin about Election business: he told me that a report was circulated to the effect that I had behaved in an ungentle manner to Mr Bar. Thomas; but in what manner he did not know; it was something about some horses which had run in her paddocks. I explained the matter as far as I knew about it. He said it was given as a reason for my unpopularity at Port Sorrell. - Went on to Rutally, & remained for the night.

A pair of stockings stolen by a woman.

The Washburn Robbery.

4th Went into Lammeston with Rev G. & Mr Reibey. Saw my Mother in town & found that she was about to prosecute a woman, formerly her servant, for the robbery of a pair of stockings belong^s to my late Father; - a case in which J. G. was mixed up. - She described to me the manner in which Washburn was robbed the other day, & Miss Cowie's Jewel-box taken away. - The thief entered the house by the back door, and traversed the passages twice for implements to break open the drawer in which the Jewel-box lay, without being heard; My Mother went to the adjoining room to Miss Cowie's, and back to her own, while the robber was there in Miss Cowie's room. He decamped through the window.

Mrs Bishton's misrepresentations

June 5th Mrs Jarman

a 4-seat "shay"

Heazlewood; suggested his daughter; wants cows.

Dr Sandals' funeral; J.A.P. & W. Gardner; R. Dry sold

the "shay"; promised Stewart £5. if well kumber.

Hen Becker.

Meeting of Election Committee; Bishton's affair.

Placards; Mr Weston's accident; death of Thomas's grooves.

Placards &c.

Mr McCormick.

New roof; Mrs Lovell; W. Harrison.

Returned to Entally for the night. Mr Ribbey met by post Mr Jas Burnett's denial of having heard him say to Mr Bishton "that I w^d retire in favor of Mr Martin." - Wrote to Mr Bat. Thomas conc^d the report. - Rode to Moreton. - Saw Mrs Jarman, a shrewd, talkative little woman, one of Mr Ribbey's tenants, - concern^d the services of her daughter; but she could not part with her. - Ordered of Stewart, a 4-seat "shay" with 4 springs & lamps at £47. - 6th Walked to Mr Heazlewood's (an Oath's tenant) and engaged his second daughter as nursemaid for a month - wages not named. - Heazlewood will require 15 to 20 cows or heifers for a milk herd; - I am to inform him at yr. J. H. R. drove me to Lammeston, & we attended at the funeral of Dr Sandals. I met J. A. P. there and advised him conc^d a horse sold to Mr Gardner - must to take him back. - Saw R. Dry, who said that he sh^d give old John Arber a whipping on the hustings concern^d his expressed pity for the "poor & industrious tenants". - Stewart is to make the body of my taxcart or "shay" to shift; and is to paint it like Rev J. Ribbey's dogcart. I promised him that if it wore well, and were well turned out, I w^d make him a present of £5. - Took my horse at Carnick, on my way from Lammeston & rode to Westbury. - On the way call^d at Entally I saw a German miniature-painter (named Becker or Becker I think,) who enquired about the Nat^l Hist^y of the island. A miniature of Mr Dumaresq, executed by him, was very like though with too young an expression of face. - I promised him assistance in Botanical matters. -

7th Had a meeting of some members of my Election Committee this morn^g, & explained Mr Bishton's misrepresentations; the history of which, with the letters from Messrs Ribbey & Burnett, I had arranged in a paper headed "The Rev John Bishton again!!!" It was determined that it sh^d be printed. - I laid a placard also (which I concerted this morn^g) before them; which they adopted, & 200 copies are to be struck off. - Rode to Deloraine & call^d on Mr Weston who was thrown the other day from his horse & severely injured: he was better. John Thomas's groove fell down while cutting wood today, and was dead in an hour. Such is life! - Wrote to Mr E. Martin to make additions to "Placards" in the placard; - which & the Bishton paper, should conclude "By order of Mr Wm. Gibson's Committee, E. Martin. (See 3^d)". - Wrote to J. Ribbey, tell^d him of the decision of the Com^{tee} to print his letter &c. - Mr M. McCormick will vote for me: he is to take the Alveston Sun. Mr Weston also I hear will support me. - On my return home I found that the S. & W. sides of the main roof of new cottage still remain unshingled. -

8th Sunday. - 9th Hired a freeman named Tho^s Lovell at £10. and sent him to the Falls not as but-keeper in place of W. Harrison, to whom I gave leave of absence

Rambler & Lamb
colts to Syall.
W. M. Mutton
Princes stone flat
Porter to put
stock in it.
Ingraves.

Tinker's Bag
Deadwood fence
Princes Pth

June 10th
W. Douglas
Port Sonell

Poyston
J. Davies

2. Bantlett
North Down

W. Bishston
alter to Mr
Bramich

To Cheshunt
Placards
Harrison
Hawkshaw
Snell
Springthorpe

Ambrose
Jones
Sarah Jones sent
away
W. M. Mutton
Princes Pth

Wild dogs

until Saturday Ev^g. - W. Mutton from R. Syall, came, & took away a Rambler bay colt and a Lamb colt, both rising 4y^{rs} old. - Syall to pay for them £27 into the Union B^k. - W. Mutton came; and I agreed to give him at the rate of £120 per annum for the Princes-stone flat (some 1900 acres) until Jan^y 1:52. Ordered Porter to ride round the fences of it, and to put our young stock of heifers & steers into it at once; - also to bring in the breeding herd from the runs for selection. - W. Mutton will take the rest of the grounds in stock for milking. - I offered Ingram, who is breaking-in my horses, £25 per ann^{um} as groom; he did not make up his mind. - Rode round Tinker's Bag, and examined with regards to breaking up a portion of the ground, draining &c. Directed Watkins & Co to continue the deadwood fence along the W. side of E. branch of Leith's Creek; - so as to throw more ground into Princes Pth. -

10th Rode to the New Ground, near Port Sonell & remained for the night at W. H. Douglas's. In the morn^g settled with Hand & Talbot, Bricklayer, & discharged him. - My brother & brother came after I left. - W. Douglas acts as one of my Committee. -

11th Rode on to Poyston (W. Wheeler's) by way of North Down. - Persuaded Dewhurst the blacksmith not to pledge himself to Mr John Archer. - Mr P. H. Gell, Gov^r Surveyor, came to Poyston. - Saw Mr J. Davies about canvas^g movements. - He goes to the North. - W. Wheeler at Mr S. Thomas's all night. - Rain in the night.

12th A wet day. - Saw Bantlett the innkeeper, who supports me, and told me of several others favorable to my cause. - Walked on the beach. -

13th Rode to North Down. Gave some Warpatuh seeds to Mr Thomas Sen^r. - All the Thomas family - 4 votes - are for me. - Mr L. Sen gave me a paper of his compos^{ure} for the Editor of the "Stone Examⁿ". - The explain^g of Mr Bishston's misrepresent^{ation} appeared in the "Examⁿ". - Mr Bramich came and took away a 4y^{rs} old steer, at £6.12.0 - which he paid. -

14th Started from Poyston at 2 past 8 o'clock, and reached Cheshunt at ab^o 5. - Mr John Archer has a regular "ad captandem" and vulgar placard ^{written by J. Winton} about mine is also in circulation. - Gave Harrison leave of absence until the 19th even^g. - Hawkshaw came back last night; I paid him £2.10 for Harrison. - Snell finished sawing yesterday. - Springthorpe is in Lunceston Gaol for attempting to leave the island, being a probationer.

15th Sunday. - Rev^d M. Williams came. -

16th Hired Ambrose Jones J. L. as Shepherd at £20 for a year. - Symons and wife went to Westbury taking Sarah Jones, who is to go home by coach (p^d by me) tomorrow. He is to bring back from Westbury Hazlewood's daughter. - Rain. - Directed Gant & Snell to finish the fence, between Mr Parker's land, & mine, up to the main drain, turn^g at night and light it. -

17th Very wet weather. The wild dogs have killed 1 sheep on each of the West End &

Mountain Plain Runs, and have wounded several others.

June 18th - Still raining! - Sent True to West End; he is to look after Mt Plain sheep for the present. - Porter brought in a number of the young cattle from Sawpit Hill in the present. - Examined the new fireplace in the cook-house, & the oven: Belbin has done them well, but the chimney smokes when the door is shut, & requires a false flue. -

19th - A very cold wet day; snowing thickly on the Mountains, and even, for a time, at the homesteads. - Henry Symons returned, bringing Maria Heazlewood: he has been detained for two days at Westbury & Deloraine by the rain. - Received a parcel of my placards from W.E. Martin. - Settled with & discharged J. Hawkshaw for drunkenness, and absence upon a false pretence. - Hannan tells me that we shall require about 100 of 3/4 deal planks for soffits, skirtings &c. -

20th - Rode to inspect the ruins of my bridge over the Meander, and found that all the part which spanned the river had been carried away excepting the upper spar, to which a few pieces of the floor are still clinging. - Marked out some surface drains in Bright's Hill for knowles, & examined Lane P^k which cannot be kept dry, in rainy weather, at all, unless the main channel be deepened. - Replaced A. Mackay by W. Allington as cook to the men. - Discharged Mackay. - Gave W. Harrison a pass until Thursday even^g next. - I hear that the man Greenwood, to whom I gave leave of absence on the 16th is a runaway, and will not return: he was paid up to the 10th inst. - R. Wignall - Shepherd - is in the watchhouse for some misconduct, when at Deloraine on leave; - Memo. Wignall sentenced to 14 days' sol^o confinement. -

21st - Porter & Blackaby took 108 head of 1 & 2 yr old Steers & Heifers to Pinner-stone Flat. I wrote to Archdeacon Davies concerning the spare copy of Gould's Birds of Australia at the College, offering to give Ingram's & Leake's Mem^o of Oxford & Cambridge £8.8.0. Bartsch's and Gothic Architecture £6.4.0. - and Cotman's Architectural Etchings with his "Liber Studiorum" £9.19.6. - and to pay £37.16.0 in 3 years at the rate of £12.12.0 a year, stat^g that probably the amount will be paid in 2 years. - Jackson, the jobber, ill since yesterday noon: gave him Rhob^o & Magn^o yesterday, & Epsom salts today. - Sent a cook, who wanted employment, to Mr Wheeler, Port Soell. -

22nd - Sunday. -

23rd - Rode through Blackgate P^k, Bee P^k, Bolt P^k, & Tent P^k; all of which need much to be broken up again, being nearly covered with a Grapholium & masses, with a small patchy Eriophorum. - The bridges in Tent P^k are broken down; and I found the two sluice-gates closed, backing the water for half a mile along the channel: I managed to open them, or raise them, letting the flood, which had been overflowing the grafs, rush away. - Cold, cutting winds, and snow^o on the mts. -

24th - Busy with my Geological Cabinet; & made some progress in my knowledge of rocks. - W.E. Martin came, & remained all night. - He says that John Archer's party have got up a report now that I will endow or support all the deacons'...

June to W. End but - young cattle brought in cook-house &c. - Rain & snows Maria Heazlewood Placards. Dick Hawkshaw Deal wanted; Ruins of bridge over Meander. Drains in Bright's Hill. Lane P^k. Dick Mackay Men's Cook. W. Harrison leave of absence Greenwood's away. R. Wignall away. Cattle to Pinner-stone flat. Gould's Birds of Australia. Jackson ill. sent a cook to Wheeler. The paddocks. Tent P^k. Geology W.E. Martin. Archer's report.

John Ash's dinner

- but the Roman Catholic. - They had a meeting & dinner at Deloraine last Wednesday when there was much drunkenness & rioting.

Balstock

25th Mr E. Martin left, & I rode with him to Balstock: I dined there & gave Martin a little architectural assistance as to the enlargement of a room. - Went with him over the hills above Punice-stone Flat, (which are better adapted for pasture than I expected,) to look for some veins of quartz running through slate, - which we found not. - Mr A. has let all Balstock, except the house, garden, & Punice stone Flat, to Mr Procter at 3 bushels an acre, or rather at 800 bushels of wheat, and 1600 bushels of oats a year: he is to pay less for the first year; - and Mr A. is also marking out the lower part of the Flat for lease, having already let a piece of 47 acres outside the S.W. corner of it. - Commenced yesterday plough^g Colt P^k.

McArthur's arrangements

The Falls Rocks

26th Rode to the Falls, - and examined the rocks on the W. end of the Long Hill. They are composed, I think, of sandstone, altered (to a varying extent) by intense heat, & being, in some instances, ~~the~~ a quartzose appearance; and ^{being} extremely hard, in ~~the~~ character. The strata are from 6 inches to several feet in thickness, separated here & there by thin layers of gravelly composition, firmly cemented to them. - Their dip is about 8° S. - and they lie about E. & W. - I took specimens of the rock in various stages. These inclined strata extend for some miles, and appear to be ^{altogether} more than 1000 thick.

Moran to Lanneston. Post Sorell Camps

gave Moran £8 and permission to go to Lanneston. Mr John Davis, Post Sorell writes to me, that he has only had one refusal to vote for me in his canvass of the P. S. Diatt, about the Mersey, North, & Don. - He is coming to buy a pair of steers.

Sheep on Sugar-loaf Run

27th Rode up the Meander to the fossiliferous formation, and on the way saw some of the wetters belong^g to the Sugar-loaf Run: they appear in moderately good order, and the grass seems to be close cropped. - Procured some fossil corals.

The paddocks Drake

After dinner walked through the paddocks. Obligate P^k requires more drainage, - Colt P^k being ploughed; - Tent P^k very rushy; Watkins P^k repaired two bridges; - Stockyard P^k requires drainage; - Locksfoot corner also; Marsh Meadow pretty dry; - and Knowles's labours are fast drying Bright's Hill. - Drake to Deloraine.

Ingram's misconduct

28th Ingram who drove the Don Juan colt in the cart to Deloraine yesterday is in charge, having been drunk & disorderly, - and upset the cart. He returned in the afternoon, saying that he had been drugged & made mad. Fe. - B. Larkaby (who assisted Porter to take head of cattle to Punice-stone Flat today) brought back the colt, uninjured, excepting that his shoulders are sore & legs a little scratched. Drake drunk at Deloraine still. Moran returned this evening. - Rode to Dalebrook Run, and marked out a place for a hut, and sheepyards, & collect^g past; giving Brown a plan of the yards. - Mr Gibson's Shepherd, told me that he had heard a large number (he said 15) of dogs, making away from his run this morning, after biting & worrying a number of the sheep. Mr G. is to be there tomorrow with hounds to hunt them: It will be labour in vain

Cattle to Punice-stone Flat

Drake Moran Place for hut & yards Wild dogs

23rd Sunday

June 30th - Started, with family, & Maria Hazlewood, for Westbury: lunch on the way at Calistock,
 and reached Syall's Inn at about 5 o'clk. - Gave Knowles's Appliⁿ for T.L. to R.H. Davies.
 1st July - Drove on to Woolmers. - Annoyed at barnick by old Kirkham, tipsy, -
 2nd - At Perth, acting as one of the sponsors for Rev W Stackhouse's little girl. Picked
 up some specimens of fossil corals (specimens of *Kenestella* & *Stenopora*) and shells in
 the gravel-pits on the brow of the hill in Walker's Flat. - 10 boxes & 10 Welches (Pat.) yesterday
 3rd Drove trip to Longford, and went into Lanneston Hall in Hyrons' coach. - Gave
 Mr J. Thomas's (Port Scull) M.S. to W. Lickenhead. - Ordered Kid's overcoat & trousers at
 William's. - Braungrove paid in money due on Saturday last. -
 4th Rode with Jags to Panshanger & Hairfield. - Selected site for a dwelling house at
 Hairfield. -
 5th Jags drove me to Clarendon and Mr Jas Youls. - Arranged with Youls to borrow
 of him £200 for four years, on a bill of exchange to be renewed every year, to be p^d
 into the Union Bank Stew on the 10th July inst. - Walked with W Box in his
 deer padd^k, and caught a brush Kangaroo, which we bore home in the gig. -
 W Box is to let me have the remains of his "papier mache" ornaments. -
 6th Sunday. Read Morning Prayers & a sermon to the family & servants, (about 30
 persons altogether,) at Woolmers, the day being wet. - James Stuart came ^{the day before} yesterday. -
 7th Dr Wilmore thrown from his horse (which fell on him) near Moreton, ^{fatally} mortally injured. -
 Making a plan for dwelling house at Hairfield. -
 8th Jags drove me tandem into Lanneston & back. - P^d Youls's cheque into U.B. -
 Agreed to let Green, Tallow-chandler, have my tallow at 3 1/2 per Cent. returning
 the casks. - Ordered double-heneps of Lecken & Stubbs. - Dr Wilmore died last night. -
 9th At Woolmers, & 10th also. Picked up some fossil corals &c. in Top padd^k, North Side. -
 11th Mr Stackhouse drove me to Perth. Breakfasted there & went into Stew. - Saw a
 W. Ellmore, formerly shepherd in the V.D.S. Company's service, at Woolworth: &
 he agreed to take employment with me as head-shepherd & overseer at £40
 per annum. - He is married, & has 6 children living at home. - To let him have an answer
 on the 18th inst. - Mr Arthur Barker came to me at Woolmers on the 9th, and
 offered his services as overseer at £70 per annum. - I did not decide in the matter.
 12th Having reached Westbury last night by coach, I came on home today, by
 way of the Fealls, the Meander being very high. - Blackaby had taken my
 way mare to Syall's yesterday. - Found the gardener here, Jas Stuart; he came
 on the 4th July inst. -
 13th Sunday. -
 14th Busy making-out my Quarterly Apts for the Trustees' Meeting at Woolmers.
 Directed Portw. to remove the fat steers to "The Flat", where they are to be
 fed with straws. -
 15th Settled, with discharged Benjn Bayley, B.L. - leaving Jackson & Watkin's working
 together: - they are to split principally, posts at 12/- per 100. - (80 rails, & 20 posts 8/- per 100)

40 Westbury with Coasting
 1/2 Woolmers
 Sponsor to Rev A.S.'s child
 20 West to Mr Rostell
 4 Lanneston
 Braungrove
 1/2 Panshanger & Hairfield
 1/2 Weymouth's & Clarendon
 Caught Brush Kang
 Papier mache
 James Stuart
 Gardens
 Dr Wilmore
 Dwelling house at Hairfield
 4 Lanneston
 Tallow
 Double Heneps
 Corals
 Lanneston
 W. Ellmore
 Mr A. Barker
 Back to Chestnut
 2000 Apts
 Fat Steers
 Benjn Bayley
 Discharged
 Jackson & Watkin

Drake -
 returned
 Hampton
 at 2.10 pm
 July Westbury
 £5.5 to
 Bowling's
 dinner to
 delegates
 boats
 Woolmers -
 Mrs Meeting
 17th
 Westbury
 18th
 Paid laundry
 Westbury
 R.H. Douglas to
 deliver cheques
 Soda water &
 aerating machine
 Mr Thomas
 Mr Arthur - Rent
 of Punishment
 Wignall
 back
 Mrs Dove
 hired
 Wild bitch
 & pups
 Showl, Blacksmith
 came
 Showl's
 wages

I settled with Drake and agreed to give him £30 for another year. Gave him leave ^{of absence} for the week. Sent Hampton to Deloraine for deals from DeLittles. He brought back $\frac{3}{4}$ planks or boards. - He has leave for the rem^t of the week to go to Lanneston. - I rehired him on the 12th inst^t at £16 for a year. - Rode to Westbury. 16th To Lanneston by coach; sending my mare back by Blackaby on Jessy. - Subscribed £5.5.0 to H. Dowling's Testimonial; and £1.1.0 to the dinner to the Delegates, West & Weston, Bell & Campbell; the two latter from Victoria. - Obtained a black shooting coat from Seer; and a short overcoat & pair of trousers from Williams. - Jell. Jr was in town and drove me out to Woolmers. - Found Mrs Sandale & party there. - 17th Paped, the Acts of Washers &c. - Mr J. Archer S^r being the only Trustee present. - 18th Drove family to Westbury for the night. - Re-wrote advertisements for meeting of my friends at Deloraine on the 29th inst. - Wrote cheques in payment of the Acts of DeLittles Corbett (Estate & Private Acts), R. H. Douglas (D^o - D^o), - Wallaw. - Murray, - Best, - Simpson, - H. B. Best, - John Thomas (2 Acts); - also letter to W. J. L. Burnett. - 19th Deliv^d the cheques, (except Thomas's,) enclosed in envelopes, to R. H. Douglas to pay for me. - Paid Douglas himself. - Witnessed the bottling of aerated soda-water, at Seylls, by means of a machine purch^d from Champion (of Robert Town) who was there directing operations. - The soda water is forced with sulphuretted hydrogen gas, (from a gasomet^r at hand,) into an oval cylinder or receiver, with a safety valve loaded to the extent of about 6 lbs to the sq^{re} inch. - It is drawn from the receiver into a small cylinder, into which a cork is put, which, when the bottle (whose neck is inserted at the lower part) is filled $\frac{4}{5}$ full, is forced into the mouth, by means of a piston or plunger, worked in the cylinder by a lever above: the bottle is then removed & the wire (round its neck) brought over the cork & fastened. - I was told by Mr B. that 3 men could, aerate & bottle 100 doz. in a day. - Drove to Deloraine, & changed horses. Pd Thomas (Estate & Private Acts to June 30:51.) - Called at Calstock and agreed to pay the rent for the Punishment-stone flat in advance, deducting 6 per cent. per ann. discount. - Reached Chebunt - all well - thank God! - Wignall returned to his service on the 16th inst. - 20th Sunday. - Rev^d Mr. Williams came in the afternoon. - 21st Hired a free man named Wm Dove for 3 months at the rate of £16 a year. - Mr Gibson, in hunting over his Sugar loaf today drove out a large black & tan bitch with a bushy tail: she has two or three pups. Sent to Mr Williams Jessy to ride home, his horse having had his tail curtailed by Ingram. - Showl, Blacksmith, came. - 22nd Rode with W. Portie to the Dale Brook, and searched for traces of the wild dogs. - We found a log, lying across the stream at a westerly bend, across which there was evidently constant traffic; and, at each end, marks on the bank, - such as might have been made by dogs. Saw among some of Ritchie's cattle on our run a cow of four's, with a ^{bull} yearling by her side. - Mr Williams returned Jessy, & took his horse away. - Showl is hired for 1 month at $\frac{1}{2}$ a week.

July 23rd.
Dinner to Delegates.

Rent increases of Punice-stone flat

W. Harrison settled with sheep to Sauspit Hill.

Mr Braungrove. Cattle sold to him. Cash paid. Heifers in calf for sale.

Patrick Crow. P. G. Linn. P. Lamb. Sheep enclosure on Dalebrook Run. Arranged with Brown that he should put up the brushfence on Dalebrook Run to form a small paddock, at 1/2 a rod.

Smith. Brickmaker. Brickfield & number of bricks.

Grey Horse.

Gravel.

Surface drains in runs.

2 Heifers to Mr Braungrove.

Meeting of my friends at Deloraine.

A Deloraine Committee appointed.

Denial of reports. Mr O'Keefe's letter.

Rain prevents my going to Lanneston, to be present at the dinner, given to the Tasmanian & Victorian Delegates, for which I have rec^d an invitⁿ from the Council of the League, as one of the Anti-transportationist candidates for seats in the new Council. - Sent Mr J. W. Arthur, of Balstock, a cheque for £63.14.0 being the balance after deduct^s £3.14.0 discount at 7 per cent. per ann. on £67.8.0 which is the amt of rent for Punice-stone flat from 9th June to 31st Dec^r 1851. Settled with ~~and discharged~~ (dated 24 July 51) Wm Harrison, butkeeper & shepherd; Ambrose True to take charge of the Dalebrook flock which will be turned outside the hogpen on Sauspit Hill &c. for the present. -

24th Mr Braungrove came. I sold to him 12 Fat Heifers at £4.12.6 each to be sent to Westbury on the 28th inst; - and 12 Fat Steers, at £5.15.0, ^{7 1 old ox at £6.} to go in a fortnight. ^{Aug 14th.} He has paid £6 (for the lame cow killed here) & £100, - total £106; - and is to pay the rem^r £24 into the Union B^k before the 11th proximo. - Told Porter to collect the heifers in calf for sale: - there will be about 50 to part with. -

25th Rehired Patrick Crow for 1 year at £16.5.0. - Settled with & discharged Patrick Linn, butkeeper: - P^k Lamb, J. L., takes his place at £10 a year, with Wignall. Arranged with Brown that he should put up the brushfence on Dalebrook Run to form a small paddock, at 1/2 a rod. -

26th Smith (who has been with Brown) has found a place where he thinks he can make good bricks. It is on the Tinigal's channel, about 60 yards below Mount P^k. I am to assist him in putting up a hut there; and agree to cut heart wood for him for burn^s the bricks, & to pay him 10/6 a thous^d for 100,000 bricks. - Rode my grey horse this afternoon: he has a very tender mouth, and w^d make an excellent lady's horse. - It is three years since I was on his back. -

27th Sunday. -

28th Rode along the Meander, looking for beds of gravel: & found some much mixed with pebbles. - A great improvement might be made in the runs - particularly Logfence P^k & Lower Hill - by letting off the standing water, and surface draining the moist ground. - P. Crow to Lanneston. - 2 Heifers ^{at £6.10.0 each} to Mr Braungrove.

29th Rode to Balstock and walked on with Mr Arthur to Deloraine to attend the meeting of my friends there. Those present were Messrs E. Martin, R. Lloyd, J. Hall, Whitehead, & O'Keefe from Westbury, - and Messrs Weston, Hoare, Fraser, W. Arthur, McKastie, Terry, Turnbull, Alex^s Stronach, Purton, Edgicumb, Boninilly, & Thomas. Those marked x were chosen as members of Committee for Deloraine, - Mr Weston being Secretary. - E. Martin was in the Chair. - A denial, on my part, of the report that I would not extend the same religious privileges to Roman Catholics as to Protestants is to be printed in the newspapers, & on hand bills, to circulate among the Irish settlers. Mr O'Keefe read a letter concerning the same matter & Mr John Anber's harsh remarks upon the Irish Gales, which he intends

Petition in
Police Dist.
to Supt.
Rent in ad-
vance of
stone flat.

Mr Sams
old oxen.
Formation of
Long Hill.

John Blake
cook.

3 oxen to
Mr Sams.
Miss Wilkinson
Vallington.
Miss Donohoo.

Overflow of
water in Ball
Mound &c.
Drainage
required

Cost.
Rock formation
at the Falls.

Lower
Quarry Hill.

Search
work of
hill and
metallic
minerals.

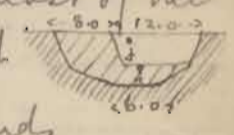
to publish. Signed a petition to the Lieut. Governor that Westbury may become a full Police Dist. - C. Horth to Longford &c. - Paid Mr W. W. W. £1.2.11 making in all £64.16.11 for rent in advance, deduct > dist at 7 per cent. for Punice-stone Flat. - He gave me a receipt. -

July 30th Mr Geo. Sams came and looked at the old oxen, selecting 4, about which he said he would see me as to the price. - They are very poor. - Rode to the precipice at the E. end of the Long Hill, and examined the formation. It was originally deposited by water in the form of quartzose sand stone, the strata dipping to the S.W. nearly at an angle of 40° to 60°; and has been altered to a varying extent by heat: the northernmost strata appear composed of a quartzose conglomerate, the gravel from a pea to an almond in size: the colour of much of the rock is light reddish tinge. - Hired at £16 a year a cook named John Blake, in place of W. Allington who wishes to leave.

31st A very wet day. - Made up some accounts. -
August 1st Mr Sams came and took 2 old & 1 by-old-working oxen for £18 which he is to pay into the U.S.B. - Settled with discharged J. Wilkinson (Carpenter) and W. Allington's men's cook. - Hired P. Donohoo for 6 months, at the rate of £17 a year: his term commenced on the 21st July. -

2nd Very rainy weather. -
3rd Sunday. -

4th Examined bridges in Barn PK and directed knowles concerning them. - Heavy rain.
5th Rode to the Falls along the edge of the water (from the Limekiln) which is now flowing over the banks of the main drain, covering one half of O'Farrell's Marsh, the greater part of Black Bog, - Flowering Plains, and the low land below it, - also great part of the ground between Main Drain & Mile Drain. - To get the water well away in time of heavy rain the main cut should be much enlarged. About 8 feet wider & 2 feet deeper for 3 miles would make most of the swampy land available for cultivation; the cost wd be about £400 at 8/6 a rod. - It would take 30 men full 3 months to do it; - and full 1200 acres would be cultivatable: with small drains the expense of drainage of this land would be nearly 10/- an acre. - I examined the formation of the rocks at the Falls, and found it a quartzite formation, which extends over the Long Hill towards Garrett's Sugarloaf, and spreads along the homeward road for about half a mile, when basalt occurs on the hill at the foot or lower side of which the road crosses. - Walked after dinner on to the lower Quarry Hill, on which I found the fossiliferous limestone formation above greenstone, and topped with quartzite pebbles & shale, with mica-slate occasionally. -



6th Rain, rain! - Pulverised a portion of the quartz rock from Long Hill, and ground it with mercury, which I oxidated with the blowpipe, but found no metals. -

Aug 7th
 Symons
 to Deloraine for
 C. Hottle & Co.
 of London to 2^{ton}

The Governor
 at Deloraine.
 Luncheon at
 Retreat Brewery.

Sent Symons with the taxcart to Deloraine, taking ^{Flaudrus} on leave of absence for a week, to bring C. Hottle back, and some goods from Corbetts. - Rec^d an invitation from Mr Rooke to meet the Governor at his house tomorrow. Accepted it.

8th Rode to Mr Rooke's, the Retreat Brewery. - The Governor with a party of horsemen about 20 in number, ^{after visiting Deloraine} arrived ^{at a little after 2 o'clock}, and there sat down to luncheon with Mr & Mrs Rooke, the following ladies & gentlemen besides His Excellency Sir W. S. Denison - viz - Mrs Winter, James, T. Archer, E. Martin, Wright, Marthun, A. Home, W. Archer Jr, J. P. Jones (P.M.), R. H. Davies (P^{re}CK), H. Weston, Douglas, Master Bishton, & Martin, Rev^d J. Bishton, T. Reibey, & S. Martin & Mr. Williams, Major Last & C. Wilmut (A.D.C.) ^{Mr & Mrs Robson, Mary - James;} & Mr J. Archer Sr was in the house but did not dine or lunch with us. - The Governor expressed his intention of bringing a Road Act before the New Council, without delay, when assembled; and said that half the produce of land sales in each Road District (to be defined) would be available for the main & branch roads in it; and that the Govt would help as much as possible those colonists who exerted themselves. - I believe his opinion conc^s the land leased by the Govt is, that tenants might have a right of preemption upon the payment of an addit ann^t ann^t to the £1 per 100 acres. - Mr Bishton proposed the health of "The Settlers", describing them as "as honest, moral, & upright men as ever he had met with during his residence in England, (Cheers) &c. &c. (Cheers) - Rev^d S. Martin returned thanks, and afterwards Mr Weston, who among other things said that "he had come to this colony to do as much good as he could" and that "it behav^d everybody to remember that they lived in a community composed for the most part of the offscourings of England; and that they sh^d exert themselves to do good as far as they were able". - Mr Winter retorted that he had come out to do himself good &c. &c. very pointedly, and there w^d have been an angry discussion between them, for the second time, had it not been interrupted. - They returned to the subject after dinner, & warm words passed between them: Mr Winter wished to refer the matter to me, but I refused to have anything to do with it. Sir Wm intended to have come to Cheshunt, but the roads were too bad to permit him to do so: he said that "he hoped to come in the Summer & I answered that "I expected my new cottage would be finished then and should be happy to receive him". - Stayed for the night at Rev^d M. Williams.

Wrote to the Compt^r Gen^l conc^s Knowles's P. L., deprecating delay in the decision of it &c. - Examined the formation S.W. & S. of the "Beefeater". The hills of quartz-rock and basalt appear to meet on this side of that hill; but I could find no direct signs of auriferous deposits. The Mersy w^d relay examination, especially where the slate crops out below the quartzite.

Wrote to C. Hottle
 Knowles's
 P. L.
 Gold formation
 S.W. of Beefeater

Aug 10th - Sunday -

Steers to Mr Brausgrove.
Geo. Allen.
Geo. Shaw.
John Allen.

11th Sent 12 Steers & 1 ox to Westbury for Mr Brausgrove, ^{with 1 belong^g to him,} by W. Porter - In riding in Saffene Park I discovered a bed of gravel, within 300 yards of the Ratten's PK, and 150 yards of Smith's creek.

Cross spring's.

12th Hired Geo: Allen T.L. for 1 year at £17 & a suit of bedding; also Geo: Shaw T.L. for 1 year at £16 & bedding. - & John Allen for 1 month at . - Drove Snip & Jessy "tandem" in the gig: they went very well. - Rode to the gravel-bed, & found that it could not be worked on account of ~~the~~ water filling the hole. - Pasing through the lane & paddocks, I found that the ryegrass coats are springing fast.

Carriage & tandem to Sammeston.
Old John & the Irish.
O'Keefe's.

13th Started with Snip & Jessy "tandem" in my carriage for Sammeston, and remained for the night at the Westbury Inn, Westbury. - I heard from Mrs Thomas, at Deloraine, that "old John" had been carousing at Grosvenor's Inn with the Irish tenants on Sunday (Mafoday), and had sold Hayes 3 tons of hay; H. being tipsy. - I hear that "old John" denies having said what O'Keefe charges him with, which has had a great effect upon the Irish, who, I am told, subscribed privately on acct of Mr Mannus to aid his escape. - Spent the evening with E. Martin.

Left carriage at Stewart's.
Tandem cart.

14th Reached Sammeston, and left the carriage at Stewart's. He is to alter the door, renew the leather of hood, aprons, dashboard, &c. the lining, paint, & turn it out, as if new, for £35. - I drove out my tandem-cart to Lutally where I rem'd all night. - I told Stewart that I did not like the mode of shifting the body on the springs, & that the springs were too weak: the cart is well finished with slight exceptions.

Mr Gardner.
Letter to Aikenhead.
Swall's soda water machine.

15th Met Mr Gardner at Lutally. He seems to be a vulgar, purse proud man, scarcely worth knowing. Mrs G. much the same. - Drove to Westbury. Wrote a letter to Mr Aikenhead, Editor of the Stonehamian, relative to the personal style of his writings &c. - Made a sketch of Swall's machine for bottling & airating lemonade &c. - He wishes to have it engraved for the vendors of his soda water.

Goods from Sammeston.

16th Drove home. Brought with me 1 pr of ladies' boots, - 3 prs children's boots, - 4 3/4 yds of grey fig' druggit, - 1 hearth rug, - 4 prs of blankets (15/0), - some toys & match boxes; - also for the store a Salter's Balance, & 40 lbs of Tobacco (from Brooks 4/6).

2 Steers to Mr Brausgrove.
Geo. Small's palings.

17th Sunday. Rev^d M. Williams came in the afternoon & returned to Deloraine.

18th Raining weather. Sold 2 of the fat Steers to Mr G. Brausgrove for £12. - Mr A. Hoone came. - Hampton in the kitchen. - Haudens being ill from ^{in drink, and jolting} the effects of ~~usage~~.

19th Raining still. - Told Geo Small to split from 700 to 800 palings, 5.6 long for the new man's garden fence: they have split more than 1000 of 6 feet palings of a superior quality; 400 of them being very fine indeed. - Hampton in kitchen.

20th Walked to Quarry Hill, and back through Saffene PK. - The grass is very

short, and the sheep poor; but I think they will last on it now, until the Spring. - Rode through Town Hill Run in the afternoon. - The ground in it and Joseph's PK is exceedingly wet. - The water running over a great portion of the W. side of the latter out of Leith's Creek. -

overflow of Leith's Creek.

August 20th Discharged & paid in full, W. Blackaby, who has been in our service more than 5 1/2 years. - Rode to Deloraine with A. Horne. Attended a meeting to consider the question of erecting a Corn Mill in or near Deloraine. Certain resolutions (prop'd by W. Weston) were carried, nem. con. - W. John Auker in the Chair. - I was named a Trustee, with the Chairman & W. Weston; & W. Rooke & W. Matthews were named Directors with us. - W. John Auker Chairman, W. Weston Deputy Chairman of the Board of Directors, &c. &c. as per published account. - A. Horne & I started with W. Bonville for his cottage where we were hospitably entertained for the night; and in the morning of the 22nd inst set off for W. Bowler's station near the Mersey. W. F. accompanied us (all on foot) to the summit of Punch's Ferris, (a quartzite hill where the strata of conglomerated quartzite are finely developed, & have an E. & W. direction, similar to that of the other quartzite strata in the neighbourhood,) and to the Sobster Rivulet, down which Horne & I proceeded to the Mersey. - Immediately below the Sobster Creek there is a small subconical hill of blue slate, (hard and almost fit for roofs,) having quartzites above & below it: the trends similar to the quartzites. - A mile ^{nearly} further down the slates again occur, then quartzite rocks, ex situ; and, lower still, with them & other detached pieces, greenstone, and a handsome porphyry. There is a creek at the N. side of Punch's Ferris, which separates it from a hill covered with detached masses of basalt. - I washed the sands of the Mersey below the slates, but found no metals: but I picked up & broke a boulder in which an argentoid metal (?) could be perceived. - We angled for herrings without success. - Returned to W. Bowler's (where we were regaled with fowl, pudding, tea, &c.) at dusk and pushed on through a muddy road to W. Bonville's, where we secured quarters for the night. - Bonville is a thinking man, fond of philosophical speculation; and not backward in stating his ideas. His family are roughly brought up, but, I doubt not, with the inculcation of honest principles. - W. Bowler's family of daughters are half wild; by no means equal to their parents. The schoolmaster certainly is not abroad in the Westbury District. - W. Bonville gave me specimens of rocks found in his vicinity & on his land.

Meeting about Corn Mill, Deloraine at Deloraine.

W. Bonville; Punch's Ferris.

the Mersey.

W. Bowler's farm.

Aug 23rd - Returned home; & Home ditto. - A stonemason, named Wm Jenkins, came on the 21st. - The garden has been enlarged by the addition of the orchard, and is now nearly paled in. - I sent, by Home, to learn the shoemaker, a cheque for the amt of his acct up to the 30th June 1851, both agt the estate & myself.

24th Sunday. -

25th Rode through M^r Plain & Lane Pad^k to look at the breeding cows & heifers which are for sale. Ordered Porter to get them into the yards at the Home^d tomorrow. Went through Linke's Bog, and inspected the best breed^d head. I counted 50, which I shall breed from next season.

These are on Pennine-stone & lot 158 head of 2 & 3 yr^s old cattle. Porter says that he has not seen a lot of q since he put them there. -

26th Sent Symons to Westbury, with Kit in the spring-cart, to bring up Ellice's daughter, to take the place of Ann Wakeham, who was settled with this morning, & paid £5.6.8, and goes to Westbury with Symons. - Sent memo^{da} of advts to Cornwall Chronicle & Stonehammer of 30 cows & heifers being for sale here. - Wrote to Gwinning (by Douglas) for 2 casks (56 lbs) of Plaster of Paris, - order to Corbett for lead flashings.

The cows & heifers for sale were in the yard. I selected 12 cows which had been milked with their calves sucking them; 12 cows & heifers, which had not been milked, of the best description among the rem^{ts}; and 8 ditto, inferior; - in all 32: & there is 1 more to go with the first lot, & 1 with the second, mak^g them 13 each, and the total 34. - There were 18 other cows & heifers, which have proved barren: chiefly those which were with W^g Anker's old Hereford Bull. - Rode through the run at the back of Tent P^k & between Owen's & Tent Creeks. There is a fair growth of grass, but the ground is too rough for sheep which require to be often dressed. - The yearlings in Tent P^k are look^d remarkably well. - Wrote to Mr P. Jacob, ask^d inform^{er} concern^g Corn Mill. -

Islandus has been laid up with a bad leg (since he recovered from the effects of drunkenness & jolting) caused by falling ag^t the step of the coach, (he says,) and is still far from well. Stuart commenced moving the hardier shrubs from the garden into the Avenue. -

27th Changeable weather. - Symons returned bringing Harriet Edmer, as housemaid. A. Home came. - Drew mouldings for plaster cornices of new cottage. -

28th A. Home and I started at about a ¼ past 9 o'clock for the sandstone cliffs at the E. side of Gunning's Head. We left the horses ^{at a ¼ to 10.} and reached the falls in Leith's Creek at a ¼ past 11. - We then scrambled up the creek for another hour, and struck up the mountain to the right, reaching the cliffs at 1 o'clock. After a "strong lunch" & tea, we examined the cliffs which appear to be the

Stone mason.
Garden enlarged.
Jos Coarri's acct p. &

Breeding Head.
Horns for sale.

Cattle on Pennine-stone & lot.
Symons to Westbury with Ann Wakeham.
Drafted cows for sale.

as described.
Numbers of the lots for sale.

Ground between Tent & Owen's Creeks.

Islandus's bad leg.
Moving plants to the Avenue.
Harriet Edmer
A Home & I to the sandstone cliffs.

remains of an extensive formation of sandstone, later in date than the greenstone against which it lies. The strata are horizontal & the stone appears to be formed principally of the "debris" or waste of the volcanic rocks. The greenstone in immense blocks (apparently "in situ") lay adjoining the other rocks, and was scattered in detached fragments below. In one place the sandstone was curiously scooped out, as though an enormous rounded rock had once been there imbedded, & afterwards had fallen away. - At about a 2 past 2 we started downwards in about a N.E. by E. direction, and after some rough walking reached the horses at 5 o'clock, - & home at 2 past 5. - Hired Ja^s Duffield for 1 mo at £15. -

29th Rode along the Meander looking for plants for Avenue. - A. Home returned home. C. H. went with Stuart & Duffield, and brought back about 50 plants, of common kinds, from the Meander bank, &c. -



Ja^s Duffield
Plants for Avenue.

Repairs to
Bothwell's Cottage.
Sheepwash -
Bright's Hill.
Marsh Meadows.
W. Porter
re-hired.

30th Directed Drake about repairs to Bothwell's Cottage. Examined localities for a cottage for the Elmers, but decided upon making an addition to the Garden's Cottage for the present. - Decided upon shifting the sheepwash to the Bridge Park, which, I find, will answer very well. - The grass is springing fast on Bright's Hill, part of which I think of cutting off for a shelter to cattle feeding in Marsh Meadows & to serve for another drying paddock at shearing time. - W. Porter is to remain at £20 for another year, and is not to milk, unless no ^{large} dairy be estab^d, & then the same as now. -

September
C. H. to Westbury.
to Westbury

31st Sunday. -
1st - Sent C. H. to Westbury, to see Dr. McCreery about his neck. - Made out quantities of sawn stuff &c. for the new house at Fairfield. -

Objections
to Electors.

2nd - Intended to take tandem cart to town, & Harriet Elmer home, but did not on account of the rainy weather. Started on the grey horse, and had a dreary ride in heavy rain to Westbury. - Gave Sybil the draw^s of his ^{concluding} soda water.

to Sarumston

3rd Made out some objections to registered electors, and calculated probable strength of the two candidates' parties, making mine exclusive of 38 who are doubtful & the Emu Bay & Birch Head people 138, and J. Archer 87; including many not promised to him. - Rode to Eutally expecting to get a change of horse, but T. Ribbey was from home; then to Posle's Inn, but no horse; then to the Traveller's Rest, but no horse to be hired, - so that I had to ride the tired grey into town. - I found Mess^{rs} W. & J. Archer sent my brother at the Cornwall Hotel. We went to the Meeting of the Society, at the Pump^{ing} Hall. The proceedings were tame & uninteresting, & the speakers, for the most part, prosy. - Mr A. J. Marriott defended his brother & Mess^{rs} Toured &c. from the charge of unfaithfulness to their ordination vows, with much judgment & discretion, & some little success. I had to correct Mr Weston for deducing from a passage, which did not

Meeting of the
Society.

express ~~or~~ imply it, the Romanist doctrine of intention. - A petition to the Archbishop of Canterbury, was read & carried; but all was done without spirit. - Slept at the Cornwall.

4th - Sent Blackaby, whom I found at the Cornwall, (to whom I gave £5, being money left by him,) to Cheshunt with the grey horse, whose legs are much swelled, & heels deeply cracked; to stop at Westbury tonight, & to bring Jessie from Cheshunt to Westbury tomorrow. - Went to Woolmers with my brother, who is engaged to Miss Annie Weston. -

Blackaby with grey horse to Cheshunt.
Woolmers.
R. Dowling

W.R. Dowling at Woolmers; he took a sketch of my 'phasing' for a cabinet picture for my Mother. - Attended service by Rev^d A.S. in the evening. -

5th Gave my brother a memo: of the quantities of sawn stuff, shingles, laths, and bricks required for new house at Fairfield. - Sat again to W.R. Dowling. Boxhall drove me to Ectally, from whence Mr Williams & I started by coach for Westbury, & reached that village in safety. Stopped at Syalls. Went in the evening to Mr. Menzies with R. Douglas to arrange about asking Aclay Douglas to act for our side at the Quarter Sessions, for revision of Electoral Lists. -

Materials for house at Fairfield.
Ectally.
Aclay Douglas.

6th It is decided that Aclay Douglas shall come to Westbury if he thinks it necessary. - Talked over old Mr Burke, whose interest is of importance. Rode with him part of the way to Deloraine, talking about Ireland &c. - With Mr Edgumbe to the Bridge: he says he knows of several electors whose names are not registered. The miserable Deloraine Committee have done little or nothing. - Gave Syalls £2, paid by him to G. Brown. -

Mr Burke's son
Mr Edgumbe.
electors omitted.
£2 to Brown

7th Sunday.

8th Settled with W. Porter & Knowles. Rehired Knowles for a year at £18. - They have leave of absence for a week or two days. - The servant of Mr Roberts, whom his Master sent here to purchase carriage horses for him, went back to L^{ton} yesterday morn^g, hav^g borrowed, the night before, 5/- from me. Moran, the U. End shepherd, came to report the robbing of his hut; and that there was a strong suspicion against two fences of Mr Ritchie's on the Dale B^K. -

Settled with W. Porter & Knowles.
Rehired Knowles.
Mr Roberts's servant.
Washed Shepherd's cottage washed.

9th I find that the sheep (abt 30) which I have imagined fat in Doublegate P^K are unfit to kill; so that we must commence today upon the old ewes in Lane P^K. - Mr Haylewood, tenant on the Moreton property (J.H. Reibey) came to buy milk cows, but the afternoon was too wet to do any business in the matter. - Sent early this morn^g to D.C. Humphreys, who sent up a constable to enquire about the robbing, whom I sent on to Moran's hut. -

Sheep not fat.
To kill old ewes.
Haylewood.
Constable about robbery.

10th Mr Haylewood left this morning without buying any of the cows. - Recd a letter from Mr John Davies, Port Soell, to the effect that most of the electors

Port Soell electors.

are favourable to my cause.

- Sept 11th - Very rainy weather still. - I see that the prize which I offered for competition at the meeting of the Western Ploughing Association is advertised, namely "£2 each to the owner & builder of the best coll^d plough on the ground, at the match, & £1 add^d to each if born in the Colony." - Jabes Sims, wheelwright, a Bull actress.
- 12th - Rain! Rain! Thunder & lightning in the night. - One of the bulls has got into a paddock where there are some heifers, - the Bee P^{rk}. -
- 13th - C. H. drove the wandering bull into Bright's Hill. - Rain! Rain! - Wrote to Mr And. Clarke, Priv. Sec., to ascertain if the Governor wd make public the portion of one of his despatches to Earl Grey, mak^g amendments for his injurious opinion of the Colonists. - Also to Archdeacon Davies, secur^d Glover's sketch book for £8, &c. - also to W. Stackhouse about a pamphlet of Mr Thomas's of Port-Sorell, also to J. A. Gunn about flour; and sent the letters to the Deloraine Post office by Jos^{ph} Carr, Shoemaker. - Busy pasting into a book slips from the various newspapers concern^g transportation &c. -
- 14th - Sunday. -
- 15th - Making drawing of the elevation of new cottage for Kainfield. - Alfred Horne came in the afternoon. - He told me that some of the voters on my side, to whose objection had been taken had made good their titles to vote, and that Mr J. Winter was disqualified. - Fraser Mrs Horne's business is to leave in January next, and I think of trying to engage him. He gets now, (with his wife who manages the dairy, of 70 cows' milk,) £60 a year, and rations for his family of 8 children. -
- 16th - Today is the day of the West^{ern} Plough^{ing} Assoc^{ns} match, but it has been so wet that I did not like to risk the catching a worse cold than I have. - A. H. returned home. -
- 17th - Walked through the paddocks, and shifted the store eaves from Lane P^{rk} to Marsh Meadows. Found the brickmakers at a standstill from the rain, which has now continued more or less for more than ten days. - Settled with discharge Ingram & Lay, horsebreakers. - Porter & Knowles returned. -
- 18th - Rode to Deloraine for my letters. - Purch^d about a 1/4 ton of flour at the Westward Store, at 25/- a cwt. - Called & lunched at Calstock. -
- 19th - Sent W. Bloom to Deloraine. He brought back 500 lbs of flour; and a 1/4 ton of potatoes from J. Thomas, at £2.15 a ton. -
- 20th - Sims & Drake preparing cottage for the Elmers. - There are a few snipe in Lower Hill run. -
- 21st - Sunday. -
- 22nd - Rode to Westbury. On the way at King's store (Westward Stores) at

Prize at
Match of W. Plough
Association.
Jabes Sims.
cause.

Letter to
Private Sec.
Glover's sketch
book.

Kainfield's
Cottage.
Voters.
Fraser.

Ploughing
Match.

The Store
eaves.
Ingram
& Lay.

Flour.
Flour
Cottage for
Elmers.
Snipes.
to Westbury.

Delaware I ordered 1 1/4 ton of flour.

Sept 23rd
Launceston
Mr John Archer
Box books.

Went into Launceston in the coach, Jessy being turned out in one of R. Douglas's paddocks. Played a game of billiards with Mr John Archer, my opponent, and beat him. Arranged to get a box of books from the "Prince of Wales", lately from England. Dined with Messrs Marriott & John Geyson.

Hobart Town.
Qualification.
Mr Carroll.
P. Smith & R. K.
P. J. Youlins.

24th Slept at the Cornwall Hotel; and, in the morning left by coach for Hobart Town, in order to consult one of the Law Officers of the Crown concerning the nature of my qualification as a Member of Council, or candidate. My fellow passenger was a Mr Carroll, Asst Surgeon to the 99th Regt, just arrived from England.

Met Mr J. Scott at Oaklands; he told me that he was not quite certain that Mr P. Smith did not intend to oppose R. J. Kermode. Arrived in Hobart Town at 8 o'clock. Went to the Freemason's Hotel, and in the course of the evening came into collision with a Mr P. S. Tomlin's A.P.M. at the Hon. He was half tipsy, & I was obliged to rebuke him plainly, on account of his abuse of the Governor, &c. &c. & misstatement of matters connected with the affair of H. G. H. C.

Crown Solicitor's
Opinion about
my qualification
Mr Pittman.

In the morning he fully apologized for his faults. Called on Mr F. Smith, Crown Sol^r, who gave me his written opinion to the effect that I was fully qualified to sit in the Leg^l Council. Saw Mr Pittman, and chatted with him upon transport &c. He says that he does not expect that more than another ship with Councils will arrive. I am not so sanguine, especially after Sir W. Denison's despatches so very strongly recommending it. He said that a large number of the Irish needle women, who bear excellent characters, are unable to obtain situations, owing to their inacquaintance with useful knowledge in household matters, and also to their being Romanists.

House on fire.
Mail to
Launceston.

In the afternoon a fire took place in Liverpool St, and the engines were very badly managed in extinguishing it; indeed if the building had been large, and the fire raging they would have been quite inadequate to put it out. Took my place in the mail, and started at 7 o'clock P.M. in company with W. Abbott for Launceston.

Mr Grant.

At Campbell Town Mr Grant (deaf) joined us, & an old lady. Mr Grant & I, unacquainted for the first time, chatted away during the latter part of the journey, our fellow passengers leaving us at Perth. I talked on my fingers, as well as I could, & she with ready understanding helped me out with the words, and (indeed) sentences; two or three words being suff^t to give him the sense.

Mr Balfe.
and
Mr Aikenhead.
Mr Gibson
of Birnie Head.
Mr John Archer.

Mr Balfe (Dion) was in the town, & had assaulted, or rather menaced Mr Aikenhead, Ed^r of the Exam^r; for which he was brought before the P.M. & bound over to keep the peace for 6 mos in a surety of £50, which was answered for by Mr John Archer. I heard that Mr Gibson of Birnie Head had been in town, and had gone home by the Shamrock. Mr John Archer states, I hear, that he is sure of being elected for the Westbury D^t.

He is continually parading this man Balfe about Leamceston; and with his party, looks upon him as a prodigy of talent. — Balfe is a man of about 6ft 2 inches in height, and large in proportion, with immense limbs & joints. — To take, as a specimen of his statistics, what he has stated concerning me, as to land & servants, but little dependence is to be placed upon his data, and conclusions therefore. — He appears to have a talent for vituperation, and thorough ad captandem arguments; but there is no

solidity of argument, nor depth of research evinced in his writings. —

Started at 2 o'clock P.M. in the coach for Westbury, and stopped there all night.

Saw Mr E. Martin in the morning and explained to him about my qualifications &c. Paid my subscription to the Western

Ploughing Assocⁿ to W. Matton, who had paid the Treasurer for me. Mr Clayton & Mr Tho^s Field had a bet, viz^t that W.C. would prepare

some wheat in such a manner that if sown now there should be a produce of clean wheat from it, Mr F. stating that it wd be inevitably smutty; that is, the grain would be tinged from smut. —

Rode Jessy to Cheshunt. Saw Fraser Mr Thorn's overseer, on the way and spoke to him about manag^g Cheshunt for me. — I am to let him know within a month or so if I shall want him. —

Went to Deloraine (C.H.) on Wednesday, & procured a cask of plaster of Paris (from DeLittle) and a bag of flour, from the Westrd Store. —

I find that my Deloraine election committee have done little or nothing.

28th Sunday. Rev^d Mr. Williams here in the evening. —

29th A carpenter named Henry Fowler commenced work. — Two armed men have been roaming about in this neighbourhood for the last 5 or 6 days; one of this party having been taken prisoner, after having lost his gun &c. in the river Meander while crossing. — Four constables were here today from the Army: they went after them. — C.H. with

Wignall, Porter, Taylor, & Brown, were after them on Saturday night, but since the middle of the day on Saturday, when they were seen by Wignall's

butcher, they have not been heard of. — They have committed no robbery lately hereabout, but it is thought that they robbed Moran, the shepherd

at the West End. — I saw Baker the owner of the vehicle ^{running} from Westbury to Deloraine, & told him that him the Postmaster Gen^l would not give

more than £10 per annum for a post (by him) once a week, I would guarantee to him the remainder $\frac{1}{2}$ of the sum which he demands. —

30th Rode to Mr Burke's land in the Marsh Padk, to see the ploughing match of the Westrd Plough^g Assocⁿ. On the way I overtook Mr Dan Griffin, the

"king" of the Irish in the Deloraine neighbourhood. He is a thorough bred "Pat"; and "cute" and loquacious. He talked about the "frosts," &c. —

Balfe

Westbury

Subscription
to Westrd Plough^g
AssocⁿPrevention
of smut.

Fraser.

Plaster of Paris
& flour from
Deloraine.Election Comm^{tee}Henry Fowler
Carpenter.

Buckingham.

Post by
Baker
charge for
Carriage.Ploughing
Match.
Dan Griffin.

We found 8 teams (I think) at work, Two "Beatings" & "Bonney" "Natives" - "Beaus", "Dan Burke Jr.", & three others. - E. Martin was there, Winter, Sams, J. Anker, J. Field, O'Keefe, Griffin, S. French, &c.; altogether about 250 persons. - Towards the afternoon seeing the Irish, having had some ale &c., began to "huzzoo" and flourish sticks, some of them demand^d a bottle with a "native". However there were sober & sensible Irishmen enough present, when I left, to keep them in order, so as to prevent anything serious occurring. - O'Keefe told me that the writer signing himself "Virginus", in the Ston Examiner, is Mitchell, one of the "Esiles". - Singular that two men, Mitchell and Balfe, who fought in the same ranks in Dublin, should be in violent opposition to each other at the Antipodes! - I hired Fraser, Mrs Horne's present overseer, leaving his service in Jan^y next, at £80 a year (if Mrs Fraser manage the dairy,) and provisions without stint for his family. - I must put up a cottage for him. - On my way back I found that there was flour to be had at W.H. King's store, and took samples of the ^{17/5} tea, and sugar^{28/1}. - There are also woolpacks, weigh^d 9 lbs at 4/6 each. - I saw J. Field at the Plough's Match: there appears little chance of my obtain^g O'Harell's grant from them. - Sent my quail gun to town to be repaired. - Sent Symons & Bloom to Deloraine for the flour odd^d at King's store, & bag of sugar @ 28/-. - They brought ^{net} nett of flour, and ^{net} nett of sugar. - W. Braunsch came about sheep, and is to have 50 ewes out of Wignall's flock, weigh^d 40 lbs each, at 11/ a head. I hear that there are many more in good condition among them. - I rode Pasha through the paddocks, and over two brush fences. - The grass is now springing fast especially in the dry places, and the stock improving in condition. - I discharged Wm Dove, &c. for being away 3 days without permission (has^d been lately hired, but very industrious.) - Sent C.H. to see Brown & Lewis, (who have had two women living with them,) to count their split-stuff, & to tell them that I would not keep them in my employ^{mt}: they are to finish the log which they are now splitting, and then to leave. - Crew's flock from Sawpit Hill is now in Barn Padk^l (preparatory to going to Dalebrook rim) excepting upwards of 100 in Black gate, very poor. - Sent 6 sheep^(ewes) to Calstock for Mr McArthur, & McKostie. - Sent Symons to Westbury with Kitt in the spring cart, taking Maria Hazlewood, & Harriet Elmes, on their way home, & to bring her Harriet's sister who is to take her place as housemaid. - Rode into the W^t Padk^l in which the savel has spread so as to cover the surface of the land. - Took Pasha over two brush fences which he cleared well.

Ploughing
Match.

Irish
notes.

Virginus.

Hired Fraser.

Flour tea
Sugar at
King's

O'Harell's
grant.
October 1st

Flour sugar
from King's

W. Braunsch
about Wignall's
ewes.

Grass in
paddocks.

Disch^d Dove.

Brown & Lewis
to leave.

Crew's
flock.

Went to
Calstock.

Maria Hazlewood
& Harriet Elmes
left.

Savel in
W^t Padk^l.

Spring. The grass is now three inches high in the meadows, and all vegetation is stirring.

October 3rd Males shirts from Brooks. Symons returned bringing tobacco & blue shirts from Brooks, but no house maid. Took my tandem-cart out for a drive: it is delightfully easy, but too weak in the springs for our roads. Rode Pasha to the lower ford, & back along the side of Parrall's Hill: the herbage is good but the quantity of dead timber on the ground enormous.

4th Parrall's Hill. Settled with Adisch & Tho^s Lovell (putting John Allen in his place as but-keeper at the Kalls) & Brown & Lewis, fences. - Sims prepar^d place for iron in store. Disch & Tho^s Lovell Char Brown H^y Lewis Carr Snell measurement. Arranged with Carr & Snell that they should saw for me at 7/6 per 100 feet side sedge measurement. - Yesterday Mr Y. Brauch selected 30 ewes from Wignall's flock, for killing; he is to pay 11/- each for them. - 30 ewes to Mr Y. Brauch.

5th Sunday. - 6th Sims making a place for iron in S.W. room of the store; so as to enable me to convert the present iron store into a milking shed. - Arranged for the space enclosed for the men's gardens to be divided into four parts by lines cross^d each other from the middle of each side. - Rode Pasha to Westbury; and spent the evening with R. Martin. I hear by a letter to R. H. Douglas, that the electors at Emu Bay, who are inclined to vote at all, will vote for me in preference to Mr John Archer.

7th Meeting of Irish supporters of Mr John Archer. I decided not to address each elector concerning my inability to ask in person their votes. - John Thomas of Deloraine told me that at the last meeting ^{called &} given by John Archer to his Irish tenants and supporters, after the usual amount of baldudash from "old John", Rooke, Sans, Shackel, & "hoc genus omne", Mr W. Bormack, the host of the inn, made a speech in which he told his audience that I "would not employ an Irishman upon my property"; whereas I have now seven Irish men in my employment. - Ordered, through Douglas, sundry articles for the stable, garden seeds, &c. - and of J^r Webb, Timman. 20 milk tins, 6 pails, & a skimmer. - Mr Kraser was to order for me of the cooper at Deloraine 6 butter-tubs, to hold 112 lbs each, and 3 milking pails, or piggins. - Mr W. Bormack's statement.

8th Milk tins, &c. Butter tubs. Rode in the afternoon to Garrett's Sugar-loaf, and carefully inspected the formations on the N. side. What appears to be a portion of an erupcted greenstone formation is, I fancy, nothing more than an accumulation of boulders, washed up by the Meander, when flowing at a higher level. - Chlorite, & chloritic & micaceous schists, & talcose schists, occur.

9th Garrett's Sugar-loaf. Sent Allen to Deloraine with the spring cart: he brought fine salt & sugar from W. A. King, & glass from W. C. Hayes. - Moved the iron from the iron-store at the back of the cart-horse stable into the main store. Knowles & Stuart move into Bothwell's hut to make room for the Elms.

Oct 2nd Settled with Carr & Snell, the former having upwards of £70 and the latter upwards of £19 due to him. They have quarrelled about serving, and intend each to find another mate, one to saw, the other to fence. - The Elmers, 10 above off books from H. Bohm in numbers arrived. I sent the spring cart, a bullock dray, & a horse cart for them, & their chattels. - I rec^d a box of books from H. G. Bohm, London. - James Duffield's 11th Settled with & discharged James Duffield. - The ^{weekly} nations of the Elmers are fixed at Elmer's nations. 25 lbs Meat - 25 lbs Flour - 6 oz Tea - 4 lbs Sugar, also 2 lbs of Butter, when to spare. -

12th Sunday. -

Main Sluice gate. - Bridge removed. Moran & Daniels.

13th Rode Pasha to the Main Sluice, which appears firm & sound. The bank, at the turn has been removed, rather more during the past winter. I must have a screen fitted at the mouth of the Channel, to prevent the drift rubbish from entering, & obstructing the gate. - Watkins & Co have completed the new bridge near the sluice. - Rode to Flowing Marsh - drew a sheep out of the main drain: saw Moran the shepherd, who told me that he had not authorized Daniels to get up a subscription among the men, on account of the robbery of his hut; & that he had sent him to return the money (£1.1.6) raised; also that Daniels had told him nothing about the money, that I gave. Shot a snipe. - Wignall tells me that there is very good grass on the sides of Jockey's Plain, fit for cattle. -

Jockey's Plain. Dr Pugh about Cire Head.

14th Received a letter from Dr Pugh to the effect that Mr J. Gibson's (Pier^{er} A) opinions were in favor of gradual cessation of transport; and that, as Mr John Arthur & Mr R. C. Lynn were going to Cire^{er} Head with him, I might place the votes there on the opposite side &c. - I accordingly rode to Lannceston to see what was the matter, and was introduced to Mr Gibson & Mr Gibson at Dr Pugh's in the evening. The doctor was in a great fright. -

Cire Head.

15th Having determined to proceed to Cire^{er} Head in the Shamrock, steamer, which was to take Mr Gibson home, I prepared an address to be read to the electors in my name, and deliv^d it to R. Douglas. - We started at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 3 o'clock in the Shamrock, and steamed down the river Yemas to nearly opposite George Town, where we stopped for the night. Mr Lynn & Mr J. Benty were going to examine into the state of the V. D. L. C's affairs with a view to their being wound up. - Next

Mr Lynn & Benty. Passengers.

16th Morning we were delayed for two or three hours, while the clearances were inspected, there being I believe 203 persons in the steerage, & 46 cabin passengers. We had a fine view of the coast, and reached the harbor at Cire^{er} Head between 3 & 4 o'clock P. M. - I was introduced to the Rev^d Mr Grigg, Dr Mowbray, Mess^{rs} H. & Skelton Emmett, Mr W. Gibson &c. - and went to Highfield, the hospitable mansion of Mr J. Gibson. - I found on the voyage that Mr Gibson would not take a prominent part in the election matter but that he would give me his countenance; & that Mr Lynn did not intend to interfere at all. Mr John Arthur did not come with us. -

Arrival.

Oct 17th - This morning I went to the Rev^d W. Lyngg, who gave me some information as to who were the most influential electors. I met W. Ware, who had been very active on my account and had secured me about 20 votes at Emu Bay, (the same number at Bird's Head, not, however, by means of very orthodox arguments, I believe). With the help of the Doctor we made up a Committee of 12, who were to be asked to act for me. I called upon a few of the electors, who promised me their support. The prevailing opinion appears to be in favor of gradual cessation, especially since the news of fresh gold-discoveries has reached the colony.

18th - Rode to the Forest with Messrs Gibson, Gunn, & Henry. - Put up my horse at the station of Mr Fred^k Wilbraham Good, (formerly of Cambridge, now a plain farmer, sometimes, in blue shirt & fustian trousers, driving his own bullocks to the township,) and walked round to call upon several of the electors in the neighborhood, who all promised me their votes. Mr Good said that he had pledged himself not to vote at all, so that he could not vote for me, but would not vote for Mr John Archer.

19th - Sunday. Went to the church at the village. W. Lyngg read the morning service, and celebrated the Lord's Supper, but did not preach, having to ride 8 miles to another service in the afternoon, and returning to an evening service at the village.

20th - Today, I called upon about 20- to 25 electors, who all promised to give me their votes.

21st - I rode through the grass paddocks of the Co's estate, and saw some very fine Durham cattle, not to be surpassed in the colony; also some handsome useful horses. - There were some outlying deer among the trees, but they scampered away as soon as they saw us. - I never saw English grass in such perfection before as here; but I am told that in Dec^r caterpillars sometimes come and eat off all before them; covering the roads to the depth of 6 inches, and crawling in at the doors of the houses. - I arranged to go to Emu Bay in the morning by the Ellen & Mary, schooner, and thence to Stow. - Wrote an address to the electors in the Dict^o of Boston.

22nd - Gave my address to Mr H. Emmett. - Left Bird's Head in the schooner W. Henry starting in the Ariel for Port Phillip at the same time. I am told that 14 men were turned out of the Ariel, but that she took away 4 or 5 without clearance. - I had passed a very pleasant time at Bird's Head, especially at Highfield. - Besides

Wrote address to electors.

Men leaving the Colony without clearance.

Beautiful grass

Grass paddocks and stocks off. D. S. 6^o.

Church

Mr Good

The Forest Campaigning

Gradual Cessation

Committee

Mr Ware

W. Lyngg

Oct 17th

Highfields party.

Escapes from the colony.

By Ellen & Mary to Ernie Bay.

The Welcome Inn.

Proposal of a meeting.

Public Meeting of Electors.

Ernie Bay gardens.

Catapillars.

Orchids.

Mr & Mrs Gibson & family, Mr Gibson's mother was living with him. Mr Wm Gibson, his brother, was there also, but he generally resides at Ernie Bay. - We saw a boat, which ^{it} was said ^{was} to go to Port Philip leave the wharf, and draw close beneath the grand bluff (or "inlet" as our sailors called it) taking off the rocks a man for Port Philip, it was said. I am told that ^{probationary} many N. S. men as well as others get away from the colony from this coast, being often taken out in boats, & handed on board vessels crossing the Straits. - We reached Ernie Bay, and landed between 3 & 4 o'clock. I went to the Welcome Inn, kept by Mr W Garner, - an innkeeper in a blue shirt, and with a rough exterior of manner, - who asked me to walk in, - but did not rise from his tea table, nor stop in his mancevration of bacon & eggs, - a dish to which I was doomed for three or four days; - however, after a saunter on the beach, I was shown into a room about 25 feet long & 18 feet wide, and partook, with the Doctor (to whom I brought a letter of introduction) of bacon & eggs, tea & toast. -

23rd - Today I rode as far as the beam river, & saw some of the electors, on my way; when it was recommended by Mr W Intosh, Sailor, that a meeting of the electors should be called to hear my sentiments. - I gathered a plant or two new to me near the beach. -

24th - At 2 o'clock almost all the electors ^{had} arrived at Garner's Inn; Mr Rouse occupied the chair, & I stated my opinions to them, opening up the whole transport question &c. &c. - They were unanimous in their approbation, and promised all to support me. Mr Munn drew up a short notice of the meeting for the Stow Examiner. -

25th This morning I walked with Dr Mill through a portion of his land, which is extremely rich, (with a flourish in it) and crossed a valley filled with a dense thicket of *Zieria arborescens*, *Pomadouria apetala*, *Coprosma microphylla*, *Urtica dioica*, *Eurybia* sp. (Daisy tree), *Eucalyptus* sp. &c. - Mr Rouse's land was on the top of the hill. He showed me a piece of land which he had paid £5 an acre for the clearing of; large dead stems of gum trees being left upon the ground in all directions. The soil is very rich (being decomposed basalt) and friable, - too strong for wheat until once or twice cropped. - In Dec^r the catapillars are extremely numerous & destructive: the settlers gather them together in heaps, and bury or burn them: it is difficult to keep them out of the houses. - Clover grows most luxuriantly at Ernie Bay; and even contests the possession of the beach side, in places, with the sea-sand. In the afternoon I picked up some specimens of *Acianthus caudatus*, *Leptocarpus* sp., & other orchids. -

Oct. 26th Sunday. - I spent a quiet day, not being intruded upon by anybody. There is a small church, with a large & elegant cross on its eastern gable; but it is seldom the scene of Divine worship. The Rev^d Mr. Grigg sometimes visits the members of the Church of England, and the Rev^d M. Burke the Roman Catholics. -

Ernie Bay
Church.

27th Botanised, a little. Gathered a few flowers, viz^t. - the common but beautiful *Diuris* of the place, (found also at Ciri^o P.) a *Pinelea* new to me, very like to *P. drupacea*, & one or two others. - I saw *Pterostylis nutans*, *furcata*, *troucinna*, in abundance; also *Caladenia Patersoni*, *carnea*, & the musky species: a *Microtis* & a *Thelymitra* were in bud. - Picked up a few shells. - Mr. W. Gibson & Mr. R. C. Gunn came from Ciri^o Head, by the road.

Botany.

28th Rode to a part of the beach, across the Ernie, to see a formation of slate, which Mr. Johnson the D.S. thought valuable. It was not worth anything, being too soft, porous, & wavy. Read Quarterly Reviews of the year 1827, - still interesting. - Bade adieu to Ernie Bay and went on board the "Ellen & Mary" at 10 o'clock. The schooner after being obliged to go out to sea one day, & riding out gales on others, commenced loading with potatoes yesterday morning & completed her cargo today, at 11 o'clock, having taken in, by means of a boat, off the rocks, about 30 tons of potatoes. - If there were a breakwater & jetty at Ernie Bay, the settlement would soon become important. - There was an Irishwoman in the steerage, whom I had unfortunately spoken to during the day, very tipsy, and demanding vehemently that she should be placed under my protection. Her husband, "dooce man," slept out the storm. - We weighed anchor at about 11 o'clock and were semi-becalmed until about 3 o'clock the next morning.

Slate quarry.

Departure.

Loading.

Cargo.

29th The breeze freshened as the day wore on; we reached the heads at the mouth of the Tamar at about 10 o'clock, had a fine wind up the river and reached the wharf at Stou at about 4 o'clock P.M. thankful (at least I was) for the safe voyage. - My expenses at Ernie Bay were about £3.15.0, and the fare by schooner £1.5. Made my way to the Cornwall Hotel. Afterwards left a letter for Mrs. R. C. Gunn from Mr. Gunn, who intended returning by land. Found that the elections were concluding favourably to the best men, & the anti-transportation cause. R. Day for Lanneston. -

Arrived at
Lanneston.

30th Started at 7 o'clock by Mr. Douglas's coach & reached Deloraine at 11 o'clock; astonishing my friends, some of whom thought that I was drowned, several reports being afloat to that effect, or that

Deloraine
Reports about
me

I was lost in coming overland by the way of the Surrey Hills &c. Found that my opponents, (who formed a small minority, at the nomination on the 21st inst,) were at their old trade, circulating secret misrepresentations among the electors, to the effect that I had changed my views, & that I thought the "native youths" and others in the colony not good enough for tenants. - Arrived at home and found all well.

Misrepresentations

G.H. to Longford; Brickmakers & Danes absconded.

G.H. rode back to Deloraine Mr West's pony which carried me home: he goes to Longford to see his brother previous to his leaving the country for the Ballarat "diggings". - I find that the brickmakers have decamped, and that Kneave Daniels, (butcher at the West End,) also.

Oct 31st Settled with & discharged John Moll, blacksmith, and Wm Jenkins, mason. Found that the sheepwash yards were put up wrong, - and many other mistakes & carelessness had occurred, in my absence.

Nov 1st Turned the 2nd old oxen from the Flat into Stockyard Padk, with barren cows. Made up part of book &c. Wm Allington has engaged as butcher in place of Daniels. - Wm Forest, groom came to hire. He remains for a time.

2nd Sunday. 3rd Settled with & discharged H. Howler, carpenter. Promised to give B. Harman 30/- a week, and two other carpenters 25/- a week each, with 1 lb. of butter (if needed) each, candles, & potatoes, if possible. - Harman left to look for men. - Sold W.S. Bramich 2 barren cows for £10. He had paid £33 into the Union Bk for the 60 (Wignalls) ewes which he had.

4th The oats are looking rather rank: I fear they will run much to straw. Mended out line of fence in Bright's Mill, to give a bedding place and shelter to the stock at any time depastured in Munk Meadow, by means of a bridge & gateway. - Knowles and Shaws, with Sims, are busy finishing the sheepwash. - Drove my tandem cart, with Srip, to Reibey's Ripple to fish there; but no herring were to be seen or felt.

5th Wignall is rehired for another year. - Lewis & Snell are to close in the piece of land between Wm Creek and Main Drain, so as to keep out W Parker's Sheep. - G.A. Shaw came last night & left this morn^g. I gave him £5.

6th Three men came from Mestbury, saying that Mr Hottle had hired them and sent them up here. Some strange mistake! Busy making out accounts

7th Hampton, the bullock-drawn driver, had his right leg broken this morning by a kick, from a steer which he was breaking in, while it was pressed agst the fence. I rode to Deloraine, where I met Dr Richardson, who was abt to set the leg of young Jar Bonney; which was broken this morning. - The Doctor came back with me and set Hampton's leg. On his way back he has to set the collar bone of young Hughes which was also broken this morning of breakages. - I met Mr Fawcus, the brewer, at Deloraine.

Hauppton's leg broke. Dr Richardson very famous

Mr. G. Y. Parker

Proposed meeting
Chase Carpenter

Wignall's Run

Sand N.W. of
Quamby's Bluff
Gold Diggers at
Arms of the Creek

Sand Rowe

A. McKay
Yours Bright &c.
30 lines to Mr
Bramish

Dr Richardson
Milk heifer
killed
Staked Padk.
Cott out of Jessie

G. A. Shaw

Roads
Meeting
at Deloraine

Subscriptions
for Church

Mr Alys Douglas and Mr John Thomson came, to transact some business with regard to Mr G. Y. Parker's property. — Mr McKenzie, Mr R. Douglas, & Mr Bomily were at Deloraine. — Douglas proposed to have a meeting of my supporters at Westbury, to which I agreed; the time yet to be named. — Harman came back, bringing Chase, a carpenter, hired at Hampton is tolerably easy this morning. — Rode across the upper portion of Wignall's run, and was surprised at the alteration which has been made by burning off the thicket & underwood. — Exam'd the land above my E. bound^s, with regard to taking a piece in addition on lease there. — Wignall is to let me know about the S.E. corner tomorrow. — There is a large quantity of fine land on the N.W. side of Quamby's Bluff, rented, I believe, by the Fields. — Mr Hall & Mr Whiteheads of Westbury, with others, are digging near the "Arms of the Creek" for gold. "Old Dick" says that they have not found it yet, but that they are very nigh it, — to which Porter, my stock-keeper, remarked that he supposed they could smell it. — We saw about a dozen of Rev^d S. Martin's wild cattle in the bush N.W. of Quamby's Bluff. Hired Saml Rowe, (formerly with Davis the horse breaker here) for a year at £20. — Alex^r McKay (who was cook here once) has engaged to burn good charcoal for me (500 to 800 bushels) at 2 a bushel. — Watkins & Co are putting up the fence in Bright's Hill. — Mr Y. Bramish came and bought 30 old lines at 11s. for which he paid in cash. —

8th Dr Richardson came today to see Hampton, who is doing well. — One of the milk heifers in jumping over a gate staked herself, and I was obliged to have her killed: — she is tolerably good beef. — Shut up the Stakyard Padk^s intending to mow it for hay; — the oxen &c being in Cocksfoot Corner. Offered Jessie's son, 4 y^r old, to Dr R. for £17. — Saw a large number of Brizstock's sheep on O'Farrell's Marsh. — That vagabond G. A. Shaw has been giving Dees the Tailor an order on me for £10 worth of clothes, so Dees writes to me; and I have told him to apply to the P.M. for security. —

9th Sunday. —
10th Attended a meeting at Deloraine to consider the best method of amending the road from Deloraine to Chudleigh. Various suggestions were made by myself and others; and a resolution (the combineⁿ of two thus by Mr Poole & myself) was passed, appointing a Committee to collect subscriptions, mark out a road, and make the necessary repairs. — £138.14.0 were subscribed in the room (or rather skittle house) where we met. ^{Some £10.} Afterwards a subscription list was opened for building a church at Deloraine, for which £125 has been promised. — I give £20. — Afterwards I went on to Westbury, by coach; leaving Paslee at Thomas's Inn. —

Proposed
Meeting
of Electors.
Nov 11th

- Spent the evening at E. Martin's, and arranged for a meeting of electors at the Westbury Inn, on the 18th inst. -

Re Mr Ball.

11th Returned to Deloraine by coach. Tried to catch a few herrings, but there was too much water in the river; & rising weather to boot. - Returned home.

Saw Mr Ball of Port-Snell, and had a strong argument with him about the Church matters. He sets me down as a dissenter, because I do not consider Presbyterians, Wesleyans &c. as heretics. - Mr. Wright was with him. -

Fence between
Limekiln Pk &
Back Marsh.
Call out of Betty
to improve fence.
W. Drake's
allowances.

12th Rode to the Limekiln Park and set Watkins & Co to take up the fence between it & Back Marsh and re-erect it, at 2 a rod. - They are then to repair the fence between Limekiln Pk and O'Connell's Marsh. - C. Hottle returned. Dr Richardson came, and took away the colt out of Jessie, for £17, which he is to pay into the W.B. next week. - W. Drake to have the same allowances as Harman & Chase. -

To Hagley.

13th Started with Mrs W.A., children, and Esther Ellen in the tandem cart, for Woolmers, and reached Dr Richardson's house at Hagley, where we stayed the night.

Woolmers.

14th Drove on to Woolmers. Left a note for Dr R. to give to C. Hottle ^{to be forwarded to Westbury.} some book & papers.

Wool.

15th Went to the shearing shed. The wool appears to be very clean, and in tolerably large pieces. Shearing will be finished here in a few days. - Saw Mr J. Aukin Sw, who told me that the cost of his election would be about £400, and that Mr Cox's would be £300. - Sad work! -

Election
expenses.

16th Sunday. Went to church at Perth. -

To Laureston

17th Drove Mrs W. & Mr Pitt into Stou, in the tandem cart with Smp, who was taken back to Woolmers by Mrs W.A.'s coachman. My Mother also went to town. I sat for an hour to Mr R. Dowling, for a portrait, for my Mother, of the cabinet size. All but myself returned to Woolmers. I wrote a placard concern^g tenants, land regulations, & transportatⁿ, and had 50 copies printed at H. Dowling's (10/6).

Sat for portrait.

Placards.

To Westbury.
Symons.

18th To Westbury in Douglas's moon's coach. Mr John Aukin got up at Carrick. - Symons & wife were on their way back from Stou. - I found that my book & papers, to which I wished to refer today had not arrived at Westbury. - At 12 o'clock (this day being appointed for a meeting of the electors to hear my opinions, & correction of misrepresentat^{ns}) a number of the electors had arrived, and I, shortly afterwards, commenced my address to them, - Mr John Aukin being present. - I spoke to them on various subjects for more than an hour, and was astonished, to hear Mr John Aukin say that he had not professed himself an advocate of gradual-repation. - The electors received me very cordially; and professed their determination to carry me through the election triumphantly. - After the meeting my opponent was bitterly attacked by Mr Boucher. - I remained at Matton's all night; and made out a report of the meeting for the newspapers. -

Meeting
of
Electors.

Mr John Aukin.

Nov^r 19th - I read my report to Mr E. Martin, who corrected a portion, and approved of it generally. - Went by coach to Deloraine, and thence to Cheshunt on Jessy who had been sent down for me. - At Westbury & Deloraine copies of the placard were distributed. - A man named "Giblett" told me that he would give me his vote if I wd promise a farm to his son-in-law. - The animal!

Giblett.
4 cows to
Paid for
Wrench's
Sketch
Books.

Mr S. French rode to Cheshunt, and took away 4 milch cows, for which he gave a cheque of Mr Badcock's for £20. - I sent to the Rev^d R. Russell a cheque for £8, being the price of one of the late Mr Lysons's sketch books.

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Woolmers.
£2 to Mr Rudge
£22.6 to H. Hazlewood
by Mr Pascoe.

20th Rode to Deloraine, and went by Douglas's Coach to Carrick; where there was a gig waiting, by which I reached Woolmers. - Mr Pascoe ^{paid} £2.0.0 to Mr Rudge for me, and is to pay Mr H. Hazlewood £2.2.6 for Maria's services.

Sitts for
portrait.

21st & 22nd. At Woolmers. Sitting for cabinet portrait &c. - Went to Mr Boung's to see his flowers. There was a handsome flower there named 'Abutilon' which I much admired. It was a pendent, cup-shaped flower, of an orange color, veined strikingly with crimson.

Mom's
calls.

23rd - Sunday. - Stayed at home, with wife & Cairns. -

24th - Went ~~to~~ with my Mother. Ad. & Aw. to Cressy, & Hythe, & Brickendon.

25th - To Hairfield. - Examined new bricks, & reported them tolerably good. -

Drove Ad. to Dr Kilgou's, & Longford Hall.

Lancaster.
Paid Stewart
for tandem cart. -
£20 cheque from
Mr S. French
for 4 cows.

26th - To Lancaster with my Mother, & Ad. & Lucy. - Paid Stewart, coachmaker £52.10.0 for my tandem cart. - Transferred £175 from Cheshunt into

Accepted to
Stables.

Account to mine; - I paid in Mr Badcock's cheque to Mr S. French, for £20, in payment for 4 cows, sold to Mr H. on the 19th inst. - On the 19th I gave Tevelin & Strubbs my acceptance at 3 mos for £26, the price of a set of double harness, together with 2/- for sundries. in all £26.2.0

Iron boilers.
Election dinner.

Bought some iron boilers at Corbitts, &c. - Went on to Westbury by coach. - My all is to prepare a dinner for about 100 people, - the tickets for which are to be 10/- each. - Various other arrangements are made for a band of music, &c. &c. - Oh! that we could do without such vanity!

To Deloraine.
2 cows to Mr Bramich.

27th - To Deloraine by coach, with Mr W. Clayton, & Mr Hall of Port Loxell. -

4 horses to
Mr Dean Jun

Rode a horse of Mr Douglas's to Cheshunt. - Mr J. Bramich came & took away two cows, for which he paid £10. - Mr W. M. Dean sent came & bought 4 horses. - 4 y^r old colt out of Venus^{£20}?, 3 y^r old colt out of Violet^{£25}, 3 y^r old colt out of Nancy^{£20}, & 3 y^r old filly out of Traveller^{£15}, at £20 each, on the average; to be paid for by a bill at 3 months. - I see

Wolmers
plants.

that the tobacco is very scanty at present, but there are many plants still coming up: I fear that the weeds will destroy most of them. - The bulls are to be put into Barre Park, & the yearling cattle into Marsh Meadow. -

Disch
Ambrose Yew.

28th - Settled with and discharged Ambrose Yew. - Gave Watkins of the two

£8 each
to Jacksons &
Watkins.
J. Porter's hut
robbed
Nov 29th
to Woolmers.

Jacksons £8 each, & leave of absence for a week. About 12 of my servants are to go to Westbury on Monday, the "Polling Day", in the waggon. - I hear that Tho^s Posters' hut has been robbed. -

29th - Rode to Deloraine and went by coach to Carrick, & thence to Woolmers, in the gig brought by Wm Carter. -

30th To Perth Church.

Dec 1st
Polling
Day
at
Westbury

This being the day appointed for taking the poll in the Dist^{ct} of Westbury, preparations were early made for some of the Woolmers folks to accompany me to Westbury. - We started (my Mother, Mrs J. W. Anker, D. Hilgou, J. C. Anker, & myself) at about 2 past 7 o'clock, and reached Carrick at 9 o'clock, where we found the Mess^{rs} Reiby with a carriage & four-in-hands & Mr Marriott with four-in-hands, waiting to accompany us. In less than an hour we had approached within a mile of Westbury, when a horseman, having recognised me, sped off in front to give notice of our coming. - Then two or three horsemen joined us, - then R. Syall's tandem, and more horsemen, - and, upon our driving slowly, the four-in-hands came close up behind, and we began to form a procession. About half a mile from the village (or rather town) - we dismounted Douglas's² coaches, and various other vehicles, together with Mr. Martin & numerous horsemen. Three deafening cheers were now given, & we proceeded onwards at a slow trot, until within 150 yards of Turner's Inn, when the horses were unharnessed, & ropes affixed to the carriage: these were rapidly manured, ^{preceded by the band,} and onwards we went, amidst the shouting & cheering of some hundreds of people. My mother Mrs J. W. L. O'K. alighted at Mr Douglas's house, leaving myself on the box & Little Tommy in the body of the carriage. - Having reached "the green", the procession halted for awhile to cheer - then to rest, & cheer again. At my instance three cheers were given for Mr Dry, who was in the vehicle (Syall's fly) driven by Mr Marriott. Proceeding onwards we were passed by my brother's tandem (his black horse having compelled him to leave the procession, & move on), and at length reached the Westbury Inn; when Mr Keating, the oldest native (about 47 years of age) on the N. side of the island, handed me from the carriage into the house. - Some native boys with banners flying came in front and raised three cheers. - The whole neighborhood was quite alive. Never before was such a sight seen at Westbury - even by "the oldest inhabitant". Men talking & laughing, - ladies smiling, - boys & girls flitting about, half in & half out of their senses; and all following or crowding round the creators of those magic sounds whose spell gave O'pheus in days of yore a witching influence over, not only mortals, but objects of nature till then inanimate. - When we reached Westbury, the state of the poll was "W. Anker 63 - John Anker 3". Every thing passed off very quietly and properly during the day. At about

1 o'clock some 20 of Mr John Aubrey's tenants & other voters, on rough horses, trotted rapidly through the principal streets, followed by Barber's fly, & three dirty carts, full of human beings. As they passed the Westbury Inn they were saluted with a thousand groans, which rang in their ears until they reached Robinson's "Hope Inn", in front of which their candidates' colours were flying on a tall staff, - the only blue & white flag on the township. - Mr John Aubrey himself arrived, in John Thomas's tax-cart, at about 2 o'clock, quite elated at the majority, 42, which he had gained at Deloraine, owing partly to the fact of our votes having for the most part polled at Westbury, and to the absence of any influential person to act for us at Deloraine. When he heard the state of the poll at Westbury - thus "W. Aubrey 132 - J. Aubrey 8" he was quite confounded, and amazed. - At the close of the poll the numbers were "W. Aubrey 134 - John Aubrey 11" - At Deloraine "W. Aubrey 13, and J. Aubrey 55" - the majority in my favor being 80. -

The arrangements for the election dinner were now being made; but we found that the tickets, price 10/6 each, were sold to a very small extent. Upon dinner being announced, as ready, no more than about 12 to 15 persons assembled, - so that I thought it better to distribute tickets, gratis, among the electors. By this means the table was soon filled, to the number of about 66 persons, all of respectable appearance. - Mr Dry was to have been Chairman; but, on his objecting to propose the toast of "The Lieut. Governor", it was determined that Mr E. Martin should be Chairman, and Mr Dry Vice-Chairman. - After the work of mastication had ceased the toasts of "The Queen", "Prince Albert & the Royal Family", "The Lieut. Governor" & "The Army & Navy" were proposed, & responded to. - That of "The Lieut. Governor" did not meet with a very cordial reception, about one third of the guests remaining seated. - Mr Whitbread, returned thanks on account of the Navy (not knowing that the "Army" had been coupled with it) and said among other odd things - "that the wooden walls of old England, were the bulwarks of the Universe", and that "the glorious Nelson had carried all before him, - that he shone as a star in the firmament, and settled the hash of the Universe." (Loud laughter & cheers.) Mr Martin now called for special bumpers, and after eulogistic remarks upon the (so far) successful candidate, proposed the health of Mr W. Aubrey, which was very enthusiastically responded to. I thanked the gentlemen present heartily for ^{would have been highly pleasing even to an old public man; how much more gratifying must it be to one who is just making his entrance into political life.} their kindness, and ^{added a little of the political pathos of his) but spoke in the moment} ~~expressed~~ ^{but that it} ~~was~~ ^{was} owing more to the high character of those who acted with & for me, than to any deserts of my own. I told them that I had great confidence in "the independent spirit, the energy, & perseverance, not only of Tasmania's sons, but of those who had adopted Tasmania as their home" and that, so confiding, "I could look through the vista of coming years, and perceive our beloved country occupying

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a prominent position among the future Kingdoms of Australasia;— I could look forward to the time when she should be governed for her own benefit and not for the convenience of other lands; ^(cheers) when she shall have cast off the filthy garment of transportation, and shall be clothed in the ^{robes} ~~garments~~ of freedom, ^(cheers) freedom! without which wealth is but a golden chain, and life itself but a degraded existence. ^(cheers) I said: "Why, after taking box upon box of probation pills, & after being perpetually ^(cheers) anointed with probation ointment, why are we to endure the trial of every new probation salve, powder, draught, & electuary? We surely know what we want, and we want freedom, — free labour, — and the appointment of those persons who expend ~~all~~ what ~~is~~ taken from our pockets. ^(cheers) After some remarks of a similar nature, I said: "I am not of the number of those who think that Sir W. Denison does not wish to benefit the colony; — but, then, he must do it in his own way. He thinks that the colonists are too much interested, — too much biased, to know what is best for them; he acknowledges the great evils resulting from transportation; but the only way, he says, to do away with the effect is to increase the cause: if Sir Wm were a physician, and were prescribing for a drunken man, he would say, "Ah! poor fellow! he is certainly in a bad state; — the only chance for him is 'one bottle more!' " ^(loud laughter & cheers) I do hope that the new Council will be enabled to bring about a better state of things than the present; and that by their ~~calm~~ ^{calmness}, prudence & judiciousness, we shall ~~be~~ be enabled to attain all those privileges which are the right of British subjects. ^(cheers) In conclusion, gentlemen, — for I will not detain you longer, knowing that many wish to go home, — I have the pleasure of again thanking you, most sincerely, for your support & cordiality of feeling towards me; and especially for the exertions which have been made on my behalf by my friends, the number of whom, I cannot but feel, has been considerably increased today. I have the pleasure of drinking all your good healths. ^(cheers) — Mr W. Henty rose to propose "Tasmania & her true interests; or, as he said, ^(with extra superfluous amendment) "her truest interests", (as though anything could be truer than truth,) and Mr W. S. Buttow responded, remarking among other things that "when he looked to the ~~persons~~ of the table, & to the Vice-Chair, he felt that her interests were in good hands." Mr Dry proposed "The Ladies," and my brother responded. — Dr Kilgus proposed "The Native Youths." — Mr Dry returned thanks, in a vigorous speech. — The Chairman now rose, and the party broke up, — well satisfied with their entertainment, which would have fed 400 people. — There was a whole Kangaroo, labelled "A genuine native," — a whole lamb marked as "A staple commodity," and some wheat, in a glass vessel in the centre, ticketed "Speed the plough," and other prominent articles besides. — Mr Dry after the dinner was driven off by Mr Marriott amidst the cheers of some cordial admirers ~~MMMMMM~~; and I quietly made off to join my Mother at Mr Dougherty, having withheld any order for beer to the working people & others. — We started

for Woolmers at a little after 7 o'clock and reached there at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 10. - I had sent my men, to the number of 12, in a horse-wagon from Cheshunt, and gave orders at Turner's that they should receive refreshment "according" to the extent of 10/- each man. - I saw them many times during the day, and there was only one disgraced fellow among them. -

Dec^r 2nd Shearers
Candidate for
Shearership in
new Council.

Today I rode to Panshanger, and spoke to some shearers about coming to Cheshunt. - Mr. G. Baker told me that it was at first intended that Mr. Ferguson should be proposed as Speaker, Dry approv^d of it; but afterwards that Dry said "Mr. Ferguson did not wish" for the post, & he thought that it would suit him. - Sat for my portrait for a long time to Mr. R. Dowling. -

Launceston
Mr Emanuel
artificial teeth
for A.C.B.
P.

3rd Drove A.C.B. to Perth with Snip, & thence with a mare of Mr. Schultz's, taking my brother's gig into Launceston. - Mr Emanuel fitted into my wife's mouth two artificial teeth which he had made for her, and which answered well; but the gold-stopping in the front-teeth was already loose in five teeth which he said he had stopped. - He said, however, that he would stop them again if the gold should fall out, - i.e. without extra charge. - On the way out changed horses again at Perth. I bought Schultz's mare for £20, & he is to take or send her over to Woolmers in the morning early. Called at Mountford on my way to Woolmers; and saw Mr. A. Clarke, who is still suffering from the effects of a severe fall, with his horse, on the Avenue Plain. -

Schultz's
mare.
Mr. A. Clarke's
accident.
In family
for Cheshunt.

4th Started at about 1 o'clock, driving wife & children & Miss Mackenzie; Boxhall driving Esther Elmer in the gig, with the heavy luggage, to Carrick, whence she will proceed to Westbury in the coach. - Reached Westbury, & took tea with R. H. Davies & wife, meeting Mr. Mrs. & Miss Jones. - Gave R. Dowling a cheque for £15.15.

Election
expenses.
Calstock.
Cheshunt.

5th Saw Mr. E. Martin this morning, and arranged that he is to receive & pay the bills for election expenses, to be repaid by me when they are all collected. Drove on to Deloraine, and calling at Calstock where we saw Mr. Lytton & heard that Mrs. Weather & her little girl were doing as well as could be expected. Arrived at Cheshunt in safety. Symons, who had met us at Deloraine with the taxicab, brought up Esther & the luggage. -

6th Busy putting matters "to rights". - Letter from Mr. Brooks - "Wool not sold". -

7th Sunday. -

Chaining
Day.
Launceston

8th This being the day appointed by the Returns Office for the declarⁿ of the Poll, I went to Westbury, and being declared elected, was chained, - vide the proceedings in the Launceston Examⁿ (Dec^r 10th). - After haranguing the people from the chain I gave £2 in shillings to the little boys, who drew the veil & carried flags, ordering them ginger beer in addition. - I ordered also 26 gallons of beer to be given to the people at Turner's Inn, & 30 gallons at Syalls & Motton's. - Thus this long-protracted election has at length terminated. Dined at E. Martin's, and went into Launceston afterwards in the coach.

The members of the band, who had been employed at Westbury in the procession, were on the coach; and, as we passed through the town, played "See the conquering hero comes" to my annoyance, by all with his fly coming behind the large blue flag floating from it in the breeze. - They left me with 3 cheers at the Cornwall Hotel. - Presently, afterwards a card was brought in with the name of "Mr Horace Darvall" on it, who shortly afterwards came in very much altered in appearance since he was at Washburn, nearly 5 years ago. - I wrote out a report of the Westbury proceedings for the papers. -

Mr H. Darvall.

Dec 9th
Back to
Chester.

Started by the 7 o'clock coach, and reached Westbury at 10. - Rode thence Porter's mare to Chestnut. Rev^d J. Reiby came with me to attend a Road meeting at Westbury. -

Hearings.
20 acres to
Mr Bramish.

10th Made arrangements concerning the sheepwash &c. - Wrote up part of this journal. In the evening went to the "swim" above Reiby's Ripple, in the Meander, and killed 13 fine herrings - 13 of them weighing nearly $\frac{1}{2}$ lb each. - 20 lives, shown to Mr Bramish (at 7/- each. -)

Growth of
grass,
washing sheep
in new sheepwash,
and Mr Clarke.

11th Rode round the various paddocks, and was astonished at the quantity of grass, much of which will, unfortunately, be wasted, owing to the delay in shearing. - Commenced washing in the new sheepwash, which answers very satisfactorily, though susceptible of improvement: with regard especially to the back water in the head. - Hired W. Clarke (7/-) at £18 a year, (£2 for stacking.)

Jackey's Marsh
Its eligibility
for farms.

12th Started with W. Porter, and rode to Jackey's Marsh, which I examined with a view to making it over to some "natives" for farms under the "new land regul^{ns}". The marsh is saturated to the surface still with water, but the rising ground on the W. side is dry and arable, and not heavily timbered. - Six nice farms of 100 acres each might be marked out there and fenced & drained at £120 to £150. - There would be good grazing land in addition behind, and to the E., N.E., & S.E. - There appears to be an approach from the N., by way of the foot of Quenby. - On my return home I took my rod & tackle, and rode to the "swim" above Reiby's Ripple, where I killed 6 good fish, after some trouble & patience. -

Herrings.

How to farm
Washburn.
Dennings and
Crutchley.

13th Busy making up this book. &c. - Paine returned from Washburn, bringing from &c.: - Denning the Washburner came with him, suffering from a weak ankle, occasioned thus, he tells me. "I was going home with Sam Crutchley, (a man employed in the garden at Washburn) whom I had been trying to get home (being rather tipsy,) and when we were going along he came up to me and struck me; I said to him 'Now, what did you do that for?' but seeing that he was preparing to strike me again, I hit him, and knocked him down. When he got up, he rushed at me, and gave me a kick, on the inside of my right ankle, which made me as powerless as a child: He then kicked me, on the right leg, from the ankle up to the knee, until (as he told me, with an oath,) his toes

were sore, and my leg was one terrible bruise: he then took off his boot and hammered my foot and leg, with the heel of it, until he was faint with fatigue; when he recovered, he again cursed me, and seizing my foot, he bent it over his knee until I could hear the joint crack, and my foot has never been straight since: he lastly got up, put on his boot, and jumped upon my battered foot & leg, till he tumbled down; after which he abused me again, and got up & left me. - Since that I have had medical advice, but shall be a cripple for life." - This man, brutally, is considered to be a quiet, inoffensive little fellow, but, like many of his class, is, under excitement, a devil incarnate. He is either a probation pass-holder, or holds a ticket-of-leave. -

14th Sunday -

15th - Superintended the putting up of the yards for the sheep-shearing. - Sent to Deloraine an order for 24 plates, 24 paninikins & dishes of tin for the shearers Messrs; - & an order on Robertson for 6 prs of 7/4 blankets at 12/- a pr. - Some of the ceiling in our parlor fell in the evening, & startled us. -

16th - I agreed to let the shearers, ^{now here} commence on the boards. ~~to~~ - Sent Paine to Deloraine for the woolpacks &c. - He brought only the blankets, & 4 bottles of brandy from J. Thomas, for the sheep-washers. - ~~Harriet~~ ^{Lomer} (a carpenter) came yesterday. - 2 shearers, Whitehead, & White, came. -

17th - Let Mr V. Breerich home, by his man, 25 fat ewes at 7/- - 7 shearers came, namely - Branch, Callaghan, Collins, Grist, Jones, Morphett, & Morris. I went in the gig with All. for an hour or two of amputing, & killed in, and above Reibey's Ripple 23 hewings. - Mr Dean J took away his father's 5 horses. -

18th - 12 shearers at work. - Meas, another shearer came at noon. - Sent to Deloraine for woolpacks & tinware, which were brought. - Paine, on Tuesday brought 6 prs of blankets, Hosnabugh for 6 bed ticks, from Robertson, as well as the brandy. - Revd Mr. Williams was here for a short time. -

19th - Busy shearing. In the evening I rode to Reibey's Ripple and killed between 2 & 3 doz of hewings. -

20th - Sent Symons to Deloraine for some woolpacks; and to bring back Harriet Elmer, who was not there: he brought 25 woolpacks. - There has been a great commotion, at the men's dwelling, between Blake, the cook, and Lamb, Wignall's but-keeper, on one side, and Watkins & the Jacksons on the other. The Jacksons say that Blake has kept back rations issued for the use of the men, and that Lamb has removed them. They of course deny it, and Lamb threatens that he will prosecute John Jackson for striking him; he says

Yards for shearing.
Ceiling fell.
Shearers.

Blankets and brandy.
Jas Lomer.
Shearers.
25 ewes to Mr Breerich.

Hewings.
Dean's horses taken away.
Commenced shearing.
Woolpacks and tinware.
Asnabugh's.
Mr Williams.

Hewings.
Woolpacks.
Squabble between Blake & Lamb, and Watkins & Co.

also that the illfeeling against him is on account of his having apprehended the runaway who went to Wignalls hut. - I discharged John Blake: Watkins is to take his place as cook to the sheavers' mess. -

Wignalls
John Blake
Watkins
Sheavers' mess

Jan 30th Hobart Town to Woolmers.
31st M^r Byron's carriage

Left Hobart Town by the day coach, and reached Woolmers at about 1/2 past 7 o'clock. - Cogitated over my brother's plan for the new cottage at Fairfield. Started ^{on Tuesday} with my brother at 1/4 past 6, and stopped at Learrick to take breakfast. Saw M^r Byron the Builder, and amended the plan of the Fairfield Cottage, pointing out some serious faults. - My brother went to Moreton, and I rode on to Deloraine, where I found a fresh horse. Left Snip at Thomas's. - Reached home at 2 o'clock, P.M. -

Cheshunt. February 1st

Sunday. -

Wignall. 2nd - Shepherds wages. Ploughmen's and Labourers' wages. Jas Elmer's. Raper's Carpenter's wages.

Wignall the shepherd, wishes to go away, but says that he "does not mind stopping until April (being hired for a year from Oct^r or Nov^r last.) I told him that I could not let him go, unless, indeed, I obtained an efficient man. The shepherds are to have £30 a year from this date; the ploughmen & milkmen £25, and ordinary labourers £24. Jas Elmer is to go to his brother-in-law in Hobart Town, - his services not being required here, - at least at the value which he sets upon them viz £30 a year, i.e. the same as the other shepherds receive. - Lower Hehase, the Carpenter, are to have 3¹/₂ a week from 1st Feb^r. - Sent 4 teams with the remainder of the wool, 36 bales, to Deloraine, to meet M^r Douglas's waggons, in which they are to be taken to Launceston. M^r Fraser who is to be my overseer came today to see me, and I promised him £80 for the ^{first} year of his services. - He asked me £80 a year for self & wife, but M^r Fraser will not be required in the dairy while Mrs Elmer can manage it. - I moved into the store my bookcase & books, my botanical cabinets, together with many boxes containing sundry articles.

Wool to Deloraine. M^r Fraser.

Rode to the oatfields, and was astonished at the height of the oats, and the promised abundance of the grain, - one wd say 50 to 60 bushels to the acre, but I shall be satisfied to get 40. - E. Jackson & 2 mates went to the East Side to look at the line of fence in continuation of the N. bound^r, and return^d along the E. side. They want 1/4 a rod for a 4 log fence. -

Wiggins from old cottage. Oats. Crop.

E. Jackson & mates. Log fence on E. Side.

3rd Arranged to give Jackson & mates 1/3 a rod for the log fence. - Started at 3 o'clock with M^r W, Miss M, & the children in the tandem cart with Bounce, and changed for Snip at Deloraine. - Stopped at Lyells for the night. - Symons, with "Kit" in the open cart, took down M^r Symons & Esther B, with the heavy luggage. -

Price of log fence. With family to Westbury.

4th Reached Woolmers at 4 o'clock. - Rep^d Capt Martin £88.16.9

at Woolmers. £88.16.9 to Capt. Martin. Launceston. 5th Paid fare for Mrs W. & servant. Insured Wool.

5th To Launceston by coach, (Pay's night coach) - A servant woman from the Kewale Yards for M^r G. W. Acker came by the coach to Perth, and as there was nobody to meet her, I paid her fare, 18/- and sent her to M^r Stackhouse's, to wait for somebody to take her to her Mistress's house. - Insured my wool 75 bales, thus, 72 bales (Nos 102 to 173) at £25 each & 3 bales (Nos 5 to 7) at £20 each. - The wool had

Wash. Wash.

To Checkbook,

Feb 4 6th
Mr. Fraser,
Dick of Allen,

J. Sims.
Lomer to Stow.
J. Paine's wages,
35 ewes to Mr
Shepherd.

Offered stock to
Braungrone.
Dick Harman.
Fences to reaps

gotten wet, from the want of clothes on the way to Deloraine, owing to neglect, and the appearance of the bales was much impaired; nevertheless, as no great damage had accrued, I judged it better to let it go so, than to unpack it & pack it afresh. - By coach to Deloraine, (fare 6/- outside.) - Gold said to have been found near Quamby's Bluff. - Rode to Cheshnut. -

Mr. Fraser came, and rode with me over some of the paddocks, he thought that the oats run average 45 bushels to the acre. - Settled with and discharged Geo: Allen, for drunkenness &c. - Omitted to deduct £2 from his wages. - Settled with Sims to the 9th Feb. - Lomer the carpenter is going to Lannerton to get tools, & hire another tradesman if possible. Isaac Paine is to have £26 a year from Feb 4 1852. - Sold 35 ewes at 7/6 each ^{with} Mr Shepherd.

Wrote to Mr Braungrone that he could have 200 ^(picked) out of 250 Wethers at 10/- a head, and 15 to 20 cows at £5.10 to £5.15.0. - Settled ^{with} Dick & B. Harman, carpenter. - The fences to come to the homestead & reaps the oats, which are now full ready. -

March 22nd - Started, on my mare "Silver Bell," from Hobart Town at about 3 o'clock P.M. and rode to Dal Green Ponds. Stayed the night there at

Started from Hobart Town - 23rd

Paid Coach-fare. Mona Vale. 24th With surplus amount.

Gov^o of Singapore

D^r Valentine's

Deserted premises.

Yairfield's

Philip Pitt

Microscope from Ross

Perth

Ellis's Hotel. Next morning started at 8 o'clock, dined at Oatlands, & Pagers, (I paid back coachfare,) and reached Mona Vale at 5 o'clock P.M. - Next morn^g made out the Greenmason's Hotel Act between Mr J. Archer, R. Q. Kermode & myself, & rec^d R. Q. K's cheque for his share to be given to Mr J. A. who is to pay Mr Burgess the full amount.

Went to Ross with R. Q. K. His father, who were to meet there both Butterworth, the Governor of Singapore, introduced to them by Sir Wm Phipps. Dined at the mansion Mona Vale, & rode on, in the evening, to Campbell Town. Stayed at D Valentine's, and received instruction from him as to the construction of organs, as illustrated by that which he has built, and wh^{ch} was played by his daughter Miss Rose. The tones are mellow and fine.

25th D^r sent for at 4 o'clock to Mona Vale to see old Mrs K. I left at 10 o'clock, and rode towards Woolmers by way of the Macquarie road. I lost my way for a time, and came to an establishment formerly occupied by a Mr Diprose but now uninhabited. There was an unearthly silence about the place; - no smoke from the chimneys, - no barking of dogs, - no signs of life anywhere. I called, & called again - in vain; my voice dying away among falling sheds, untraded enclosures, and dwellings unpeopled in; the windows were broken, - the grass grew unhecked across the paths, & thresholds; - trees in the wellstocked garden, loaded with fruit, appeared to have tempted no human being to enjoy their bounties; - and weeds, growing rankly beneath & around them, threatened to rob the soil of all its nourishment, as they already did the garden of its neatness. - I turned mournfully away, and after some little trouble regained the road, & arrived at

Yairfield at about 3 o'clock P.M. I found my brother there & having examined his new cottage, with him, rode with him to Woolmers, where I found all well.

26th Philip Pitt came to Woolmers, having lately returned from the gold-digging at W Alexander. He had been at the point of death, but was now recouping his strength. Received by coach from D Valentine a Simple Microscope, which Ross had sent from London, to his order for me.

27th Rode to Perth, and talked with Mr Stackhouse concerning the "Solemn Declaration" &c. -

March 28th Sunday. Went to church at Perth and heard a sermon from Revd
Perth Church
Cutally & Moreton
W. Steinhilber on the words "Give us this day our daily bread." -

Perth Church
Cutally & Moreton

29th Leaving wife & bairns at Woolmers, I started for Cheshunt, and called
at Cutally, riding on to Moreton to stop the night there. J. H. R.

Mr Burt's
furniture
Cheshunt

30th rode with me next morn^g to Mr Burt's, where I looked at some
furniture which is to be sold by auction tomorrow, and decided
upon buying some of it. - Mr R. returned home, and I rode on to
Cheshunt without stopping at Westbury. -

Sitting room
Mr Field's sheep
The bull hat
of Mr Gibson

31st Mr Fraser has given up to me one old sitting room, which with
the old dairy, for a bedroom (rather cold) enables me to do very well.

Settled with
Jackson & mates

We rode round the paddocks, and inspected the stock - Mr Field
has to take the larger portion of the sheep purchased by him. -
The bull bought by me from Mr Gibson appears to be quite use-
less - a serious loss to me, - for Mr Fraser has been obliged to put
to the choice heifers the youngest bull, of precisely the same mixed
breed (Durham & Hereford) as themselves. - Settled with & paid
2. Jackson & mates, & discharged the latter: Jackson is to put
up if we agree upon the price | the new post & rail fence between
Bank Marsh & O'Connell's (Field's) land. - he is to return on Saturday.

New fence
Bank Marsh
April 1st

Settled with & discharged Tho' Holt, & Chas Price, Brickmakers, who have
made 17,000 bricks. - Went out with gun & dogs after quail, but
found very few, only shooting 1 1/2 brace. - Sent W. Porter yesterday

Discharged
Brickmakers
Quail
Porter with cart
to Woolmers

with horse & cart to Woolmers, with a box for A.C.; he is to be back
on Saturday. Also started ^{yesterday} Symons & Bloom, with the waggon to
Adelphi, to bring up the goods purchased for me there. -

Symons to Adelphi
with waggon

2nd Rode ^{with Mr Fraser} over the N. portion of the East Side run, and inspected the new
log fence, enclosing the ^{N.E.} corner of my rented Crown land: it is of a
very light construction, sufficient to restrain sheep, ~~and~~ but not at
all worth the price (15^d a rod) which I paid for it. - Symons & Bloom

New
Log fence on
Rashside

returned, bringing a piano-forte, stool, (£40), - 8 bedchairs, (£9.4.0) -
Bedstead & chair, (£7.15.0) - H. Hair Mat (£5) - 2 Pillows & bolster (£1.19.0) - Wash
Mat, (£1.5.0) - 2 Chests of Drawers (£10.15.0) - Total £45.18.0. - Put the
P. Y., chairs, & mattresses in the store, the other articles in the W. Bedroom
of new house. -

Articles of furni-
ture from
Burt's. -

3rd Entered a/c of servants in Act Book, from Cash Book & made up sev^l
accounts, including Knowles' & Bignall's / dec^r. - Partly arranged with
Symons to be groom &c. Told Elmer that he must find a fresh
place for his eldest boy, - that I would not give him a situation.

Accounts
made up
Symons as
groom
Elmer's boy
Boxes from
Woolmers

W. Porter brought from Woolmers my tin clothes box, together with
the box contain^g my microscope from "Ross," - & a small box of apples. -

April 4th - Sunday.

few quail.
Herring's
no roe!

5th Rode to the N. side of O'Karell's Marsh to look for quail, but found none. There appears to be a great scarcity of them this season, in this neighbourhood, and also, I hear, throughout the country. - Rode, in the afternoon to the Meander (at the end of bound^d fence, and after^{ds} at the pool above Lower Ford) and killed 9 herrings with fly and gentle; - no roe! -

Brigstock's
maltreatment of
hut keeper.
Horses stung
by nettles.

6th Brigstock returned home ^{drunkly} about the middle of last night, and began to beat the little hut keeper Allen, - who refuses to remain with him any longer. The old scamp shall smart for it next time he beats his hut keeper. - Rode with Mr Fraser along part of the boundary fence between O'Karell's land ('Fields') and the Back Marsh hills, but nettles had increased to such an extent as to prevent our going along the E. & W. portion of it more than 50 yards past the N.W. corner. We then went to the Kalls, reprimanded Brigstock and returned home through the run to the Meander, & by "Loch Katos Plain". - The horses were much stung by the nettles, the effects of which, however, ceased in about an hour & a half. - Wrote about a dozen letters, with cheques &c. in the evening. -

Main
sluice.
Herrings in
Irish
sluice.
Herrings.

7th In the afternoon, rode to the main sluice, and found more than half the water of the river running through it. W. Porter tells me that he found some fine herrings in the original^s channel in the Tent Pad^{ds} yesterday, and caught 21. - Brown saw some since. Rode, with Mr Fraser down the river, and killed 9 herrings, principally opposite Garrett's Sugarloaf, in a ripple. -

Grass in
paddock.
Stackhouse
Kalls.
Tried Colt's
Revolver.
Mr Dry and
Narty.
Wm Clarke
died.

8th Walked through some of the paddocks, and found the growth of grass very good, particularly at the back of Tent & Bolt Pad^{ds}. - Went on to the Stackhouse Kalls, to look for another coprolite of the Wombat(?), but found none: a very small stream of water was running over the rocks. - Tried my Colt's revolver at a distance of 25 yards, and was satisfied that a man might be readily killed with it at 50 yards. - At dusk Mr Dry arrived in a taxicart, driving tandem, with Capt Dearing of the 99th Regt, and Mr Ward & Mr Forbes of Mr. Balliope ^{but} now in the Bramble. - Made the best I could of my one room; and, after they had dined, had beds made up for them in it (my old parlour). They adjourned to smoke &c. in the kitchen. - Wm Clarke died. -

Shooting
quail.

9th Having made all preparations we all started with our guns after quail; and succeeded, after some trouble and walking, in bagging 10 brace, birds being very scarce. Two serious

Accidents to eyes.

accidents very nearly occurred, - W Dry being struck ^{close to} the angle of the right eye by a spent shot of W Ward's; and myself shot below the left eye, within a range of 50 yards, by W Dry. The shot struck the cheek-bone at the lower part of the orbit, & glancing upwards towards the eye, penetrating about a quarter of an inch altogether. Dr Forbes extracted it, and found one side flattened. - Thank God for the escape to my sight! Several other shots struck me on the hat, side, & left leg. - A brace and a half of ducks, in good condition, were also bagged. Medined in the kitchen, and spent a pleasant evening. -

Wild ducks.

My party & New Church at Deloraine.

10th My visitors left this morning. I rode with the Dr to the Pine Bank and past Garrett's Sugarloaf, & then returned. Wrote to W Warrthorn to say that I sh^d rather decline to give a promissory note for my subscription towards a new church at Deloraine, seeing that I had only promised it conditionally upon no more being undertaken than could be quite completed with the funds collected; but that when I was satisfied that such w^{ld} be the case my subscription w^{ld} be given. Advised bricks, instead of greenstone, & seasoned timber for the building. - Pointed out the expensiveness of the present time, labour being so scarce. - Wrote to Rev^d Jas H. Keibey condoling with him upon the loss of his hay boats by fire the other day. - Rec^d a parcel of writ^s paper &c. from H. Dowling. - Y. Porter the shepherd, who wished to leave, my service says that he is willing to remain for another year. G. Taylor was to have had his turn: he must now have Edwards's, and Edwards must leave, being a poor shepherd, and too fond of rambling away from his turn. - Rain. - W. fence of garden mowed. -

Price at Moreton's Writ^s paper.

Y. Porter rehired. Edwards to leave.

11th Sunday. - Rain.

Exchange garden.

John Thomas

W Dry & party returned. Gravel stone.

River high. Letter to the Bishop. Logic.

12th Took in part of Symon's garden and pig's yard into the garden. Made up Edwards's & Y. Porter's debts. - Rode to Deloraine, & brought my letters &c. - Paid John Thomas £52.17.6 on acct of his bill to Apr 1st, - delay^d the payment of the charges for shoeing until investigated. Met Mr Roake who told me that W Dry & friends were hurt by the overturn of the cart, ^{on Saturday,} in being driven over a stump on Pumice-stone flat. - Wrote to Mr Corbett about a grindstone. The river was very high, being only just passable at the ford near Field's hut. - Wrote copy of a letter to the Bishop concerning Rev^d M. Williams. - Rain.

13th Wrote fair copy of letter to the Bishop. Studied 12 hours Whately's Logic. Scrutin^d tradesmen's bills. -

Warrthorn tree split stuff &c.

14th Rode with Mr Grassie into Bark Marsh Run, to show him the locality of the stuff split for fencing by Carr & Luell, and the road to it. He was much pleased with the richness of the land, and was much astonished at the height & straightness of some of the trees. Afterwards I

Balstock

rode to Balstock, and remained there for the night. Told the Mr Arthur about my affair with Rev^d W. W. - W. Porter took Sir Raymond to Deloraine to be shad. - Rec^d a letter from my Mother to say that these would be a meeting of the Trustees of our Estates on Friday. I shall not be able to attend.

Sir Raymond's
Quarterly meeting
our Estates

Division of
Road Distts.
bounced with
in yard.

April 15th - Rode home. Rec^d a letter from W Jones at. m. about meeting him self and a few more gentlemen at Deloraine, to consult upon the boundaries of the Westwoodland ^{& Deogon} Road Distt, under the new "Crops & Bye Roads Act." - Men busy lowering the earth in the yards, so as to prevent damage to the walls of towers & of new houses.

Wrote to Capt. Robson on the subject of the labour market, and a general agent / himself to wit / for the hiring of free emigrants in England. - how aged?

Sauygers
Road District.

16th Sauygers came, who offered to saw at the rate of 8/- per 100 feet super. of side ledge measurement. Rode to Deloraine to meet W Jones. There were only two or three others there. W Bonville, W Addison, W J. Sams & W Jos^h Braum. All were of opinion that the Westbury Road District should be distinct from that of Longford. - On my way home, I stopped at the fishing places near Reiby's Ripple, and caught ^{or killed} 11 tolerable fish. W Grass says that

Sheep on East
Side collected
304 down out.

not nearly all the sheep on the East Side were brought in. - more than 100 being away. - He drew out 301, principally wethers, and brought them over the river. -

Diseh to
E. Jackson.
Stoner & mate
Gather.
Jas Elmer.
Sheep on E. Side
Sime.

17th Settled with & discharged E. Jackson. - Engaged Stoner & mate to split 7500 laths (500 being 3 1/2 feet long, the remainder 3 feet) at 8/3 per Mt. - James Elmer is hired at £15 for 12 mos from 14th April inst. - The sheep on East Side have been found, all but 93. - A load of lime brought, now I believe at 9^d per bushel. -

Rutally;

Woolmers.

18th Sunday. -
19th Making drawings &c. -
20th Rode to Rutally, and remained there all night. - Mr Thompson & daughter there
21st Heavy rain all day. Could not go into Town. At Rutally all day & night
22nd Rode to Woolmers. -
23rd At Woolmers. -

Lancaster's
Bill for £2000.
Paid for carriage
&c. &c.
Butter and
Tallow
sold

24th Went with my Mother into Lannerton. Drew on R. Brooks Esq. for £2000 in favour of Sec^y of W. B. - Transferred £40.10 to my A/c from the Estate a/c. - Paid R. Stewart £40.10.0 for repairs to my carriage &c. - Paid W. J. Allen £6.10.0 to March 31st. - Ordered Post-box of Gevelin & Stubbs &c. Bought small round table of Brown. Cabinet Maker, & 4oo table of Besty. Bought carpeting of J. Allen. - Sold butter to C. N. Campbell at 1/3, & tallow to Green at 2/3.

25th Sunday. Went to 6 lunch at Perth. -

April 26th
Hereford
Bulls.

Rode to Cressy, met there Mr J. Anker Sr, who transferred to me a Hereford bull 17 mos old, which he had just bought from Mr Goosey. Mr J. agreed, if he could spare him, to keep another young bull for me in Act, and to save a bull calf or two. - Dined at Cressy. -

27th
Calls at
Longford
Rev & Mr Williams
statement.

At Longford, Dr K's, Parsonage, & Brickendon. Dined with all! - Spoke to Archdeacon Davies concerning Rev Mr. Williams, & found that Mr W. had made out that my letter to him (Feb^r 19:52) was my first communication about his neglect of duty, &c. - Told him the truth. - Paid my mother £6.13.4 towards wages of Dr K's groom, (not due till Oct^r 16th 52. - pd Ann Boxball for washing. - The coach was sent away on account of his wicked threats of murder against a shoemaker at Longford, for cheating him (he said) out of the price of a pair of boots. -

Dr K's groom's
wages.
Woodman's work
discharged.

28th
Cheshunt
with P.P.
Accepted Mr
Burt's draft.

Started with my Brother, and arrived at Cheshunt at about 2 past 3 o'clock P.M. - Sent to the post one accept^{ce} for furniture purchased at Mr Burt's sale. - Bill drawn by Mr Burt. - Mr John Field had paid for Staker away 370 Wethers, being the last of that lot. Thomas Chase had returned, after a long absence, drinking. -

370 Wethers
Mr J. Field's

29th
Precis of
Road Act.
H. Symons
hired by P.P.

Rain all day. - Wrote a precis of the first part of the new Road Act, detailing the method of putting the Act in operation, for the Stour Examiners. - My Brother hired H. Symons at £20 a year as ploughman. -

Violet's filly
taken up.
£30.10.0 for
Cheshunt
Mrs Richards.
see to bulk of Peace

30th Drove the young horses from Tent Padk into the stockyard: caught the filly out of Violet for my Brother, and put her in loose box at the back of the barn. - My brother started at 11 o'clock, taking my chestnut mare, (at £30.10.0,) and leading his black horse Lotney. Put Mr G.W. A's two colts in Stockyard, Padk, and the colt out of Snip in Barn Pk. - Enclosed to Mrs Richards (wife of Dr Richards) of Robert Mowu, an order, on Mr John Johnston, for £2 worth of winter clothing, for her children. Wrote to bulk of the Peace, sending qualificⁿ fees, as J.P. - Heavy rain all night.

May 1st
Grey horse
taken up.
Chimney
cottage
shingles.
Boxes
to Mr
Fields.

Took up my grey horse, and put him in a loose box. - Belkin is building a chimney to Elmer's cottage. - Arranged with Stones to split me 10,000 shingles. - 3 inch thick, - 4 1/2 wide, - & 20 inches long. - The saw to be backed off. - Mr John Field sent yesterday and took away 6 oxen for which he has paid £60 into the U.B. - Rain.

2nd
Sunday. - Rainy. -

3rd Heavy rain. - Reading Whately's Logic. - Moved grey horse into stable. -

4th
Heavy rain, during the night. Sorry to find that the walls of my new house are still damp, & that some of the paper hung in the rooms is quite destroyed. - Lower went to Llanneistow today. - Showery, but clearing weather. Rode with Mr Fraser along the river in Logfene Pk, to the Main Sluice, then, crossing the bridge leading into Sawpit Run, to the quarry, &c. returning through Davis Pk. -

Walls of new
house damp

Lower to
Stones

Quarry &c.

May 5th. -
Y. loads.
Chase.
Shingles.
Stoner & mate.

The water very high at the Falls, and the ford at the Meander impassable. Obtained my letters however. Arranged with Chase, the carpenter, to remain for about 6 weeks, and to make some articles of furniture for me. Stoner & mate to split 24,000 of 26 inch shingles, $\frac{1}{2}$ inch thick, $7\frac{1}{2}$ wide, & with the sap beaked off, for sheds, &c. - They will have finished 11,000 20-inch shingles on Tuesday. - They are also to split such trees are unfit for shingles into posts & rails at 8/- a hundred. - The price of the 26 inch shingle is 12/- a thousand.

Three cart-horses.
Lover returned.
Grey horse.
Pincels from Deloraine.

6th Decided to remove the cart-horses for a time to my stable, making a partition in the centre, and to prepare the N. end of the present farm-stable for the reception of some the wheelwright this wife. - Lover returned this morning, but did not go to work, on acct of rheumatism. - Made Thompson ride the grey horse: he went very quietly. - Symons went to Deloraine to get two ploughman's shoes, and brought a box from Moon, (England) cont^s Nos 17 & 18 Roberts's Sketches in Egypt &c (wh^{ch} I supposed to have been lost); 2 locks & things from Nabart Town, - a pt of trousers from S. Williams, - a letter bag from Tencken's Stubbs, & aut books from A. Dowling. Mr Burt writes, in a fuss, that £ my acctⁿ for the price of furniture bought at his sale has not been received by the auctioneers Mess^{rs} Robinson & Allison; to whom, however, I forwarded it by post, on the 29th of April last. Read School Bill, extracts from English papers concern^g Manchester Education Bill (Mr Entwisk's), and comments on the School Bill (V.S.S.) and Education, in Gaspeⁿ Church Chronicle. -

Account to Mrs Burt missing.
School Bill.
&c.

7th Busy reading Whately's Logic &c. Symons brought from Deloraine three Decided upon separating Lover's & Chase's work as soon as I return from Washburns. - Stoner & mate want 1/9 for clearing & fencing S. bound^{ry} of Bark M^o &c.

Stoner's price of Chase's work 1/4 x 1/4 x 1/4.

8th In looking for a book in the store I opened a box of clothes, among wh^{ch} the moths were making sad havoc: Removed them & replaced them with a sprinkling of camphor. - Sent groom to Deloraine, & found that Mr Burt's acctⁿ had not been taken out of the brown paper in which it was wrapped, by Humphreys, the postmaster; - he found it, & will forward it by next post. - Portus (the stock-keeper's horse (Sir Raymond) is lame, through intended carelessness, I believe, - as he does not like the horse.

Moths among clothes.
Mr Burt's acctⁿ forwarded.
Portus's horse lame.

9th Sunday. -
10th Started H. Symons with the waggon & 2 casks of fat (rend^d) & 7 tubs of butter to Stoner, to bring back furniture. - W. Belbin went to Westbury. - Stewart & Gardner left for Stoner on the 11th inst. - Rode to Westbury, & stopped the night at Syall. - Rec^d letter, at Deloraine, from D. Kilgus, announce^g birth of a daughter on the 6th inst.

Symons to Stoner with waggon.
Belbin away.
Stewart & Gardner home.
Washburns.
Lancaster.
Butter & tallow.
Saw Bark.

11th Rode on to Washburns. Found all well, thank God! - Raining today & yesterday. -
12th Went into Stoner with J. G. The butter weighed, nett $7\frac{1}{3}$ lb. The tallow 102 lb. Hired Saml Back for 4 months at £25 a year & gave him 1/7.

Dogs of Cheshire - Registered, May 1852.

Owner	N ^o	Sex	Age	Breed	Description	Amount of duty
Wells	1	Male	4	Pyrenees ^{dog} Wolf	White with sandy patches	7.6
	1	Female	2	Pointer	Sandy yellow	
H. Symons	1	"	aged	Spaniel	White & black	4.0
	1	"	3	Mongrel	Black long haired - small	
W. Porter	1	Male	6½	Cattle dog	Black & tan	7.6
	1	Female	6½	Do	Reddish yellow	
	1	Male	4	Do	Do large	
J. Huxford	1	"	2	Sheep dog	Yellowish-tan	1.5.0
	1	Male	4	Do	Black long haired	
	1	Female	3	Do	Black & white	
	1	Male	4	Mongrel	Reddish yellow - large	
W. Wellington	1	"	aged	Do	Black & tan & white small	1.0
	1	Male	5	Sheep dog	Black - tan muzzle & legs	
J. Porter	1	"	1	Do	Black - white ^{on face} one sided neck	1.0.0
	1	Female	3½	Do	Do - white muzzle & feet	
	1	Male	2	Mongrel	Reddish yellow - large	
	1	"	2½	Sheep dog	Black & white	
J. Taylor	1	Female	2½	Do	Do & Do	7.6
	1	Male	2	Mongrel	Do & tan	
J. Huxford	1	"	½	Sheep dog	Do - white marks	4.0
	1	"	2½	Do	Do - Do & tan Do	
John Huxford	1	Female	1½	Do	Do - Do & Do	4.0
	1	Male	3	Mongrel	Blackish brindle	
Total	25				Total	4.0.6

Paid £22 into the Savings Bank for Mrs Porter. - Took a sideboard while my Brother had purch^d at a sale at £13 for which I gave a cheque. Got the waggon load^d with the follow^g articles - namely - 1 Din^g Table (with 2 leaves extra), - 1 Soa^d ^{£19.10.0} £7/-, - 1 small round ^{£3} £3/-, - 1 Chiff^{er} ^{£7} £7/-, - 1 What-not ^{£1.10.0} £1.10.0/-, - 1 Chest of Draw^s ^{£5.10.0} £5.10.0/-, - 1 Look^{er} ^{£1} £1/-, - 1 Sideboard ^{£13} £13/-, - 12 Chairs ^{£13.4.0} £13.4.0/-, - 9 Chairs ^{£1} £1/-, - 9 Chairs ^{£1} £1/-, - 1 Easy Chair ^{£1} £1/-, - 1 Roll of Carpet 40 y^d at 5/6, - 1 Do Do 24 y^d at 5/6, - 1 Do Do 7 y^d at 5/6, - 1 Box of Books for ^{£1} £1/- Stewart the Gardener did not see to the loading of the trees which he got from Mead the Nurseryman, so that they are left at the Scottish Chiefs Inn. - Returned to Woolmers.

200 Bank
4. Porter.
Sideboard
Furniture for
Cheeknut - by
waggon.
Competing
Stewart
young trees
left.

May 13th -
Mr Bonney
Dined at Panshanger.
W Bowyer.

Rode to Wood Hall to see Mr Bonney concern^d a loan of money both on out of the estate, & myself. - He wanted 8 per cent. unless the larger amt unobtainable, then 7 per cent. - Dined at Panshanger, & met there (with my Brother) Mr J. Walker, Mr Jas Youl, & Mr Bowyer, the Presid^t of the Australian League, from Sydney. - He appears to be an intelligent man, of quiet manners, and a good speaker. - He thinks that transportⁿ will not be contin^d much longer; & that the working bodies must be the legislative councils principally. -

Westbury, at
Mr E. Martin's.
Sheep to be sent to
Symons & Sims.
Blow & Oats.

14th Rode to Westbury, & stayed at Mr E. Martin's for the night. - I have arranged with my Brother that he shall send up to Cheshunt 500 sheep, to remain; & that he shall send a dray with flour, to meet one from here with oats, at Westbury, on Tuesday the 25th inst. - The Symons' boxes & themselves will go down, & Sims the wheelwright's chattels to be bro^t up; Sims & his wife joining my team at Deloaine. -

Day tax.
Sheep struck
by blowflies.

15th Paid Mr Jones £3.2.6 for dogs - the list to be forwarded as soon as possible. - Rode to Cheshunt. - I hear that some of the Yalls flock, ^(4 left w) about 16 sheep, have been struck by the blowflies, and that the maggots have eaten bare places on their backs. - Towards the end of April last about 40 of the Logpence PK flock (4 teeth ² times) were struck, behind the withers chiefly, - & 5 or 6 of them died. I never before heard of sheep dying, in this colony, from such a cause. - I find that Symons reached Cheeknut yesterday with the waggon, & the furniture in fair order, but the Gardener (Stewart) had not returned. - I took the oath necessary to "qualify" as a J.P. this morning, before Mr Jones.

Furniture
brought
safely.
Qualified
as J.P.

16th Sunday. My birthday the 32nd. - "Eheu! fugaces Postume! Postume! Labentur anni."

Deaths from
stroke of the
Blowfly.
Dalebrook River
Bridge over
the creek.

17th I hear that 13 of the Logpence Pad^d flock have died from the attack of the blowflies, and several others appear to be getting more feeble, the larvae not having been thoroughly extirpated. Rode with Mr Fraser over the Dale Brook River. Inspected the bridge which is being made over the Western Creek. It leads on to land belonging to Mr Gibbon, although fenced off with

May 17th cont^d. - with my rented brown land, part of which, (I believe three
 the quantity of the above fenced off piece) is enclosed with Mr
 Gibson's much^d land, along the Dalebrook. - Shewed Mr Graser
 through West End Run, along the track over the hill, round the same, &c.

Mixture of
 lands between
 W. Creek & Dale
 Brook.
 Porter to
 Woolmers with
 Violet's filly.
 For Bull from
 Cressy.
 Altering cart-horse
 stable to dwell³.

Roadway
 for Spar. Road
 on E. side to Bramich's
 with W. H. &c.

Aud. Ross
 Optician.
 W. Brooks
 Street returned.

Moving new
 Spar for bridge.

Mr Graser to
 Deloraine
 cart overturned
 by Symons.

Moved to
 new Spar
 the river.
 Dr Glaspole.

Bridge

Oats to
 Woolmers.
 Books &c. do.
 Symons leave
 Chestnut.

to
 Cummings's
 Street

18th Sent Porter to Woolmers with Violet's 4yrs old filly, - and to bring up
 from Cressy a young Bull, which Mr Jos^h Archer Sr is to arrange
 with Mr Toosey for. - Drake is pulling down the stall divisions in
 the old Cart-horse stable, and Belbin is building a chimney at the
 N. end, the intention being to prepare a room for Sims the Wheelwright
 & his wife. Sent Pasher to be shod. -

19th Superintending the alteration of old stable &c. Rode with Mr Graser to the rear
 of the bridge, and to inspect the line of road cleared by the bullock drivers for
 bringing the large spar along, to form the lower side of the bridge. Shewed him
 the way through the Field's land, on the E. side of Meander, to Bramich's sideline
 & came home by Stags but &c. -

20th Reading Whately's Logic. Wrote various letters, one to Mr And. Ross, Optician
 concern^g the payment of his acct - tell^d him to apply to Mr Brooks, mentioning the
 Comp^d Microscope, which Dr Valentine was to order for me, & I believe did, order
 also to Mr Brooks, about last Bill of Exch. for £2000. - Ross's acct, &c. - Stuart returned.

21st With four men & 12 oxen the greater part of today trying to move the new spar
 for bridge to the river - after much trouble, breaking of chains, pole of one (of 2) timber
 gig, holes, &c. we were obliged to desist, one wheel of the leading timber gig
 sunk two feet in soft ground, after moving the spar, which weighs abt
 8 tons, nearly 200 yds. - Symons drove Mr Graser to Deloraine in the
 taxicart, which he stupidly overturned near Deloraine, & hurt Mr G.
 though not seriously. - He brought my saddle from Eveline Stubbs, - some
 trees for garden &c. -

22nd With men & teams today succeeded in moving the spar to the side of
 the Meander by the bridge, and with the small end towards the river,
 have turned it round near the bridge. Dr Glaspole here, abt Road Act.

23rd Sunday. - Dr Glaspole went to Deloraine.

24th Busy at the bridge, preparing for fixing the new spar; endeavouring
 unsuccessfully to raise the large end of old spar, &c. -

25th - Paine with 18 bags of Oats contain^g 5-4 bushels, and with Dr Symons
 chattels to Westbury. - The groom took Symons & wife to Deloraine in the
 spring-cart. Sent by Paine a box of books & room paper, candle & oil &c. to
 Woolmers. - Dr Glaspole came. - The Symonses quit my service today
 and, after much fatigue, from disuse of walking, and scrambling
 through dead fallen branches & trees. Fresh grown shrubs, saplings, &c.

after more than 4 yrs

arrived at the summit; and having refreshed ourselves with tea, bread, & meat, felt strong & ready for fresh labour. While the ~~men~~^{men} were getting together wood for the night, I took D. G. to the highest N. point, where we made a fire, and tumbled over the dreadful precipice some fragments of basaltic rock, which, falling upon loose stones & fragments below (which they occupied $5\frac{1}{2}$ seconds in reaching) set them moving, & thus caused a hurly burly & din, which had a singular & romantic effect, in connection with the locality & the scene. Before leaving this point I tried the variation of the compass, & arrived at a strange result; thus, on each side of a roundish rock, about 3 ft diam. & 18 inches thick, against which a ~~dead~~ pole was erected, (this rock being the highest but one on the point,) the needle varied 9 points the N. pole standing at E. by S., & dipping Easterly; but on the rock aforesaid the N. pole stood at E. by N., the S. pole dipping Westly. I tried the compass on the other high rock, but the result was the same as on each side of the first named rock viz. the N. pole varied 9 points & dipping Easterly. — At 3 feet from the rocks the needle seemed to act freely, but when brought within a foot of them it began to waver, and dip. — It was a common pocket compass in a warden box. — We now made for the fire, & having reached it, erected the tent & disposed ourselves to make the best of the night. — The stars were shining brightly, until 4 or 5 o'clock in the morning, but the day broke (May 27th) somewhat gloomily, amidst the gathering of mists upon the tops of the mts, ~~and~~ & the discord of the black magpie. However notwithstanding Port's forebodings of rain there appeared no probability of its raining today. Accordingly we placed our goods in a heap, & covered them with my gutta serena cloak, (an invaluable thing in the bush, for sitting & sleeping on especially,) then walked down to the valley or plain to the S. of Cunningham's Head. As I wished to procure some of the prostrate pine, which I have called, (for want of another name,) "Pherasphaera", we went onwards towards the highest ground on which it grows, putting up two brush kangaroos out of the coves, as we proceeded, by means of Port's kangaroo-dog Spring, who did not succeed in catching either of them. After walking some distance I took the bearing of the point of Cunningham's Head N.E., & we then turned considerably to the S.E.; but, on turning again Northly, to regain our encampment we did not pay sufficient attention to the altered bearing of the point before taken; so that instead of reaching the plain at the starting place, we came above the creek which runs from it to the Meander, nearly 2 miles further to the E. — It had now been raining a misty rain for an hour or so, & the shrubs, through which we

Variation
of the
Compass.

Local
Variation

preped imparted to us the moisture which had fallen so gently into the bosoms of their leaves as to have remained there unspilled. We soon found ourselves at a creek which runs N.E. into the creek before mentioned, and this gave me at once a clue to our actual position, of which till then I had been, for some time, in ignorance. We made up the stream, and crossed the top of the W. bank, to avoid a thick wood which lay between us & the plain; and after bearing first, across clear ground, to the N.N.E. & then to the N. I sighted a remarkable bush, which revealed to me the track by which we left the plain in the morning, having noticed this stump-like object on our way. A few minutes more & we reached the plain and then the place of bivouac, much to the gratification of ^{all of us} Porter particularly, who had told the gentlemen (Stewart) that we should "be lost all night without nothing to eat". It was now 20 minutes to 12 o'clock, and we prepared for starting homewards, being wet, from the thighs downwards. While we were regaling ourselves on bread, meat, & tea, the black magpies, in large numbers, surrounded us with their discordant notes, & making sometimes a noise (as though trying to clear the throat) which Porter said was a sure sign of rain. We left the mountain at 10 minutes past 1 o'clock and reached Lehesunt at about a quarter to 5, after a wet, slipping, miserable walk. The trees, which I marked two years ago, retained their marks pretty well; but it was difficult often to see them on account of intervening shrubs since grown up. W. Porter took two Kangaroo dogs, Spring & Ranger; & when we reached the rocky part of the ascent Ranger was unable through fear, I suppose, to follow, & remained upon one of the large rocks, howling & barking. On our way back today, we heard him shortly after leaving the summit, & found him on the rock where he had stopped yesterday; he was so timid that Porter had to throw him down before him or he wd not have moved from the place.



Porter's dog left behind

May 28th DeGlaspoole returned to Bentley, via the West^{ern} creek & Starewood. — Paine returned from Westbury yesterday afternoon with John Sims wife, & 400 lb of tobacco for sheep wash, or dressing, with 2 casks of cider & a box of apples. The pole was broken near Wignall's Creek kept by Sims. All three of the party were confined in the watch-house at Westbury all ^{the} night, & ^{before} fined in the morning, under circumstances which must be investigated.

John Hiden from Woolmers

Sims, wife, & Paine in the watchhouse

Plastering next

29th Making out the quantity of plastering in the new house for W. Belbin, &c. &c. arranged for T. Chase to make & repair sundry articles

of furniture.

Saive to Mr Bowyer

May 30th Sunday. - A messenger brought a letter from Mr D. Dowling the Sec^y of the St. James Branch of the Austⁿ League pressing me to take the chair at the Young Men's Saive tomorrow in honour of Mr B. Bowyer the Pres^t of the A. S., enclosing a letter from the Young Men's Committee to the same effect. I declined the honour, on the plea of engagements. Mr Dry is unable to preside. The matter was not sufficiently important to necessitate a breach of the Sabbath.

Sold Sir Raymond for £10 from Mr Fraser for Snip's son. Watkins's £100.

31st Mr Fraser took Sir Raymond to Deloraine & sold him to John Thomas for £20, twice as much as he is worth. He also sold his own horse for £10 and paid me the amt on account of the price of the horse (son of Snip) which he rides, & has bought of me for £18. - Rode to the brick kilns, & arranged for a drain to take the water from them. - I hear that a man named Francis Watkins who brought from Victoria upwards of £100, a month ago, has spent the whole in drink; and was obliged to borrow £5 from Thomas the publican (at whose house he spent his money) to enable him to return to the "Diggings". - £100 in a month for intoxicating drinks! Gold dissolves as readily in alcohol as in "aqua regia".

Price of Draught Horses - Kattering's Cattle

Louise to Robert Town

June 1st - A person from Melbourne came to purchase horses: none to sell. Draught horses now are worth £25 to £50, and will be worth more. - Inspected the steers in Bull PK: there are about 20 out of the 34 that will be fit to kill in a month or 6 weeks. There are also 14 Cows, & 10 Heifers fattening; in all 58 heads of cattle which, if fat, will be worth in July next about £350. - There are also 400 Ewes or more, which sh^d be worth then £220. - Louise the carpenter is to start tomorrow to Hobart Town, to see after the Mill of his father, who is dead: - he died in England, and the documents have been sent here.

To Westbury

2nd Moved my clothes &c. excepting some books & papers into my new room above the Hall, so that the bricklayers might build a fireplace in the room that was once the dairy. - Started at 1 o'clock & rode to Westbury, stopping at Lyall's Law.

To Washers

3rd Rode on to Washers. - where I found all well - thank God! -

To Parshanger in the forenoon; & in the afternoon to Wood Hall, Mr Joseph Bonney's. Mr Bonney lent me £800 for twelve months at 4 per cent. Int^r. - ~~by~~ on my acceptance for that amt & Int^r £856. to be renewed each year for three years, if Mr Bonney should live. - He gave me a cheque.

4th At Washers. Calculated plasterer's work at Cheshunt. -
5th Rode to Parshanger in the forenoon; & in the afternoon to Wood Hall, Mr Joseph Bonney's. Mr Bonney lent me £800 for twelve months at 4 per cent. Int^r. - ~~by~~ on my acceptance for that amt & Int^r £856. to be renewed each year for three years, if Mr Bonney should live. - He gave me a cheque.

June 6th Sunday. - Went to church at Perth.

Archdeacon Davies
about
Rev. M. Williams.

7th To the parsonage, Longford. - Archdeacon Davies wished me to recall my request to Rev. M. Williams "not to hold services at Cheshunt." - Made sketches for verandah at Fairfield.

Mr Brown
about skins.
Y. Garrison.
Y. Lammeston.
Ordered sundry
Articles.
Green has not
paid for
tallow.

8th Started from Woolmers, on "Pasha", at 6 o'clock, (calling on Mr Brown to ask when he is come to Cheshunt to look at my sheepskins, did not see him but left message,) and reached Carrick at a 1/4 to 8. Went by coach into Lammeston, and ordered sundry articles at Corbett's & DeBittles, - besides some camphor at Towns's, Denmark (30y ds 3/1) braces, gloves, & scarf & lining at J. Robertson's, - bread at Murray's, (paid,) - & 2 Morono skins at Best's (2y). - Sold R.V. Green to Gray for tallow. - Returned to Carrick & rode on to Westbury. - Stopped at Syall's.

Mr Wall.
Seconds of flour.
£17 a ton.
Official
Invent to die
Laws House.

9th A man, named Mr Wall, spoke to me about hiring as ploughman, seeds man &c. for £30 a year: - to let him know on Friday. - On my way home enquired at Mr Kenzie's store the price of seconds flour supplied to Cheshunt. £17 - & 2 tons supplied: - told the store keeper that I wd take no more at that price. At Cheshunt found an invitation, from the Lieut. Governor to the "Member for Westbury", to dinner on the 15th inst, the day of Meeting of Council. - Sir Wm seems determined, that his invitation shall be understood to be an official one. I suppose, to test the strength of political feeling against him. - This morning was dull, - the sun struggled out for awhile at 9 to 10 o'clock, - it drizzled till 3, and rained heavily during the remainder of the evening. - On my way through Punice-stone Flat, I found that Mr Hughes the tenant of the S. part of it is running a ditch, Eastw^{ds}, from the river to the hills 5ft wide at top, 3ft at bot^m, & 3ft deep at 1/6 a rod (that is about 1/4 a cubic yard.) - I traced out a good line of road along the side of the hills, between a quarter & half a mile from the river after passing the E. side of Garrett's Sugar-loaf. Mr Hughes says he shall alter the line of road, to the foot of the hills on Punice-stone Flat.

Weather
Draining in
Punice-stone
Flat.
Price.
Line of road.

Rain
Thompson to
Porter to Delonaine.

10th Heavy rain during the night. - Sent Porter to Delonaine with spring-cart, to take my tin-box of clothes &c. for transmission to Stow & Woolmers. - Thompson the grocer went with him, on his way to Westbury to see Dr McCreery. - Making out Belbin's acct. - Rained heavily during this night also.

Porter back.
Pulling down
old cottage.
Spar carried
away by
flood.

11th Porter returned about 12 o'clock without the cart, having been obliged to leave the cart at Mr Parkin's, the Falls not being passable; he came up the marsh (O'Karrill's). - Sims & Belbin pulling down the old cottage. - Rode to the river & found the spar of the bridge carried away by the flood, the water continuing very high. - Wrote various letters, & began in payment of bills. - Sent cheque for £21 to Mr Crookes for the League for this year. - The runs & paddocks are covered with water.

June 12th - Rain! Rain! -

at
Cheshunt.

13th Sunday. -

14th Rain still impassable. -

15th Rode to Westbury. - On the way Jessy became very lame. -

Washburn.

16th To Washburn on a horse borrowed from Mattow, leaving Jessy. -

Appointed
Lay Delegates.

17th, 18th, 19th At Washburn. The 16th was the day for appointing Lay Delegates in the various parishes, - to assemble as a convention for the purpose of considering the Bishop & Clergy's petition concerning Church Govt. - I heard nothing of the proceedings either at Deloane or at Westbury. -

To
Westbury.

18th By Page's Coach to N. Town, in comp^y with Mess^{rs} Hawkes & Ballet & the Rev^d W. Living (Presb^y). -

Lays microscope
from Ross.

19th Attended S. Council for the first time. ^{in this session} While in N. Town my large microscope by Ross, arrived, and I procured it from the vessel. On the 23rd & 24th the Lay members of the Church of Eng^l met in Convention. - I took lodgings at Mrs Waddell's, in High St^l opposite the Post Office. - On Wednesday the 1st July the Council was adjourned to the 10th July. -

Lay Convention
Council adjourned

To
Washburn.

July 2nd Started by Page's coach, and reached Washburn at 2¹/₂ past 9 P.M. having to walk from the main road. - On the 5th I procured some Annual flowers seeds of Mr Bonney, and also a further loan of £200. -
To Westbury on Jessy. Met Mr Winter and conversed with him concerning Rev^d W.W. Told him that I intended to withdraw my letters to him, & my appeal to the Bishop with respect to his neg^t of duty. &c. -

Loan from
Mr Winter about
Rev^d M. Williams.

Chase
away.
Lone alone.

8th To Cheshunt. - Found that that old scamp Chase had been away for nearly a fortnight, & had done nothing towards the chairs, or the new couch. - Loner had no carpenter to assist him. -

Old
Stable.

9th About the buildings. - Bolbin, Sims, & Drake at the transformⁿ of old Stable. - Shot 2 1/2 brace of quail over Rutland in the afternoon in Stocky Pad^l. - In the even^g wrote a letter to Rev^d M. Williams asking to withdraw letters &c. - also to Mr Gunn, enclosing cheque for £1 for Brown's Prod^o rec^d from him. - Examined a papyroid substance, given me by Mr Milligan, & fd by him stretching from stone to stone in a crack after the subsidence of the water, with my simple microscope; and found it to be a map of a chara-like plant, dried, and abounding in minute forms, many of which I drew, & sent the sketch to Dr M.

Wrote to Mr
Williams.
Mr Gunn.
"Brown paper"

X
Bulls,
skins,
sheep sold;
Mr Wigan
and sheep to
W.A. Wigan for
£. Rode out to see
the fatstock
and decided to sell
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& 8 or 10 cows at
£7.10. but not
under those prices.
Chase returned
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10th Mr Fraser has sold the year^s, 2 yrs old, & 5 yrs old crop bred Bull to Mr John Field for £22, - the sheepskins to Mr Brown for £, and sheep to W.A. Wigan for £. Rode out to see the fatstock and decided to sell 15 steers at £9, & 8 or 10 cows at £7.10. but not under those prices. - Chase returned & M. Power with him. -

July 11th Sunday.
Lomer & 12th to have
35/- a week -
Brow
Drake
Purchased
3 tons of flour

Agreed with Lomer & Brown, carpenters that they should have 35/- a week, from this date inclusive. - Bowdler to remain as at present until I return. Crow retained at 25/- a year. Drake to undertake a job of saw^s stuff for a milking shed, and putting it up; not quite arranged. - On the way up on the 8th I ordered at McKenzie's Store, Deloraine, 3 tons of seconds flour at £18 a ton. -

Aug 14th By coach to Woolmers. At Woolmers until the 18th. - 18th Rode to Westbury & stopped at Mr. Martin's for the night. 19th to Chesnut.
H. Lomer to Woolmers.
to Chesnut.
Sold stock 20th to Mr. W. Field.
Rec^d £64 for 8 cows.

Sold 6 fat heifers at an average of £7.10.0 (being 5 at £8 & 1 at £5), and one at £10. to Mr. W. Field; also 200 ewes at 12/6 a head, to be taken away on Tuesday week. - Mr. F. paid £64 for 8 cows, which he took away today. -

Hired as hut keeper, for the Kalls hut, Thomas McLean, at £15 until the 1st Feb^r 1853. - Promised John Sims £35 for this year, and £5 additional if I see good reason for doing so. - Crow says that he did not understand that he hired again, & wants £36 a year. No! - He is to thresh with Lawrence Gallagher at 1/4 a bushel for the present. - Drake has left; - the drunken knave! Showing in the afternoon. - Box of prints & books from Deloraine. -

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at 18/- a week, each, - to have the ordinary rations with the addition of $\frac{1}{2}$ lb sugar each, a week. - Stone came with a man to take some sawing. To arrange with them tomorrow. Drew out 210 ewes, 15 for Mr McKostie, - and the remainder, after a few are thrown out, for the Mefs' Field at 12/6 a head. - John Allen (who was butcher at the Hall) is working with Belbin, at present. - I promised at the expiration of his year to let him have 10/- a week for a time. -

Jamies.
Drew out
ewes for Mr
McKostie
Mefs' Field;
John Allen.

Sept 30th. By coach from Hobart Town to Washburn.
Oct 1st. Rode to Fairfield; went to the ^{N.} summit of the Shummocks. Found a large number of thistles there; but very little to interest a botanist. There was one plant of *Cornua viridis* struggling for existence among some rocks, which defended it from the attacks of sheep. - The view is very fine, and extensive. - On Sunday (the 3rd) I went to check at Longford. -

Westbury. 4th Rode to Westbury, and remained for the night at Syall's Inn. -
5th To Cheshunt. Mr Fraser sold on the 29th of Aug 3, 3y old Steifes to Mr Bramich for £21.10.0, on the 4th Septⁿ, 5 Cows for £40, 1 ♂ for £10, 1 Steifer for £5, and 120 old ewes (at 12/6 each) for £75; - all taken away. Wm Porter & Wm Hampton were discharged in the early part of September. Mr Fraser has also sold 400 bushels of the monthly oats to Mr John Thomas at 5/- a bushel, delivered at the barn door; - and bought from Mr Bramich 40 bushels of ^{spring} wheat, for 60 bushels of monthly oats. Mr McKenzie (by Mr Bartlett, Deloaine,) has had 100 bushels of oats at 5/-, and 100 bushels at 5/6. -

Westbury.
3 Steifes to
Mr Bramich
4 Cows
120 ewes
40 Steifes
400 bushels of
oats to J. Thomas.
60 bushels of
spring wheat to
Mr McKenzie.

1852

Extracted
teeth

Finding one of my upper double teeth, ^(a hole in) which had been lately plugged with gold by Dr Smith, (Dentist,) very troublesome, - especially when anything warm came into contact with it, - I took a small pair of pliers, and, having lanced it, succeeded in extracting it, ^{with the pliers;} thereby obtaining ease, at the expense of a momentary pain.

Work in
New House.

Mantlepieces
&c.

Chase's
work.

Stone
Quarry.
Legal Pract^r's Bill.

Compositae
Dissimilia.
Pressing Stand.

Sold 9 Cows
to Messrs Field.

Drain in
Sagefence Park.
Stonery.

The
Elmers.

Alterations in
yard &c.

£100 for Oats
from J. Thomas.
Buxbaumia!

Bentley &
McMurray.

There is still much work in the new house, connected with the tedious finishing of skirtings, mouldings, mantlepieces, &c. -

6th Made some drawings of mantlepieces for Hall & Drawing Room, - & screen in passage to W.C. - Chase has completed the washing stands, & Dressing Tables, and is now finishing the repairs to the chests of drawers.

7th Rode to the Stone Quarry, and found that sufft flag^s had been raised. Removed Stone & Boulder from the job. - Rec^d a note from the Col^l Sec with an enclosure of correspondence with the Victorian Govt on the subject of the Col^l Legal Pract^r's Bill, which I introduced into the Leg^l Ass^{embly}. - The Judges ^{of Victoria} have made a Rule for the admission of Legal Pract^r's educated in the colonies, and it is now before the Leg^l Ass^{embly} there, awaiting its sanction. - Found some fine specimens of

"Compositae Dissimilia" under a log, in full flower. - Constructed a stand, with a frame containing threads, ^{1/2 inch apart,} arranged in square reticulations, for the purpose of accurately drawing flowers &c. -

8th Messrs J. & J. Field, came and bought 8 Cows & Heifers at £8 a head, and 1 Cow at £12. - total 9 head of cattle £84, which W. J. Field is to pay into the U.S. when he returns to Saunceston. - Marked out the course

of a drain & water-carrier in Sagefence Park, to supply water to Sagefence Park &c. - Stone & Boulder are to dig it, and scatter the earth thrown out, at 6^d a rod, & an allowance of 2 lb. of sugar & 1/4 lb. of tea a week for each man.

9th Showy weather. - Partly arranged with the Elmers to remain for another year. - I think however that we can do without the boy. - Worked at the microscope; subject a sheath gall, from neighbourhood of Hobart Town. -

10th Sunday. Morning & Evening Service as usual. - very small attendance.

11th Directed Sims as to alterations in yard, and N. side of garden, adjoining small room near Kitchen. - Showy weather. -

12th John Thomas paid £100 for 400 bushels of oats into the Union Bank on the 7th inst. - Rode to the Falls. Found a single specimen of the "Buxbaumia aphylla", at the station near the lower Falls. -

13th Wet weather. Busy with microscope. -

14th Rode to Bentley, taking Stuart, the gardener, with me. We walked to the Mersey, and had a fatiguing walk back, owing to

Oct^r 28th - Rode to Woolmers. -
 29th - To Lanneston with the ~~W~~ - Paid £150 to my private account; - and £100 to
 W. Krasus' acct. - Ordered sundry articles of Corbett, Brooks, Bowling &
 Miss Jane Lewis went in with us in the carriage. -
 30th Bottling Port wine, for Cheshunt. - Rode to Panshanger & back. -
 31st - To church at Penton. -

Nov^r 1st - Sent boxes of wine, books, &c. to Cheshunt by Bloom & Paine, who
 arrived at Woolmers on Saturday, ^{with eight horses.} Paine took Jessy the pony also.
 Bottled 38 doz. of Port wine from the pipe in the outer cellar at Wool-
 mers, and stacked it.

2nd - Hailed from Woolmers. Boxhall driving my little carriage, with the
 Woolmers horses in it, and I driving I went in the tandem cart. At
 Barnick Smart was exchanged for Bounce. At Westbury we dined
 (i.e. our whole Cheshunt party,) at Mr. Martin's; and on reaching
 Deloraine left the two Woolmers horses & the pole of carriage, & put
 Snip in the shafts. On the way home, poor little Lily fell out of the
 carriage when going up "Gavett's Sugarloaf", and was nearly run
 over by the wheels; but, thank God! she escaped, - Boxhall pulling
 her out of the way, just in time to avoid the wheels. - Thus we all
 reached Cheshunt in safety. From Deloraine I drove the carriage
 and Boxhall the tandem cart. - Found all arrangements made
 for refreshment & repose; and our family slept, for the first night,
 in the new house.

3rd, 4th, 5th Holly - Busy moving articles into the new house from store
 on the Sunday. Read Morning & Evening Prayers as usual, in the old parlour
 in Krasus' cottage. - On Friday drafted by 6 lines & Wethers shotwooled ^{E. Side, plough} & from
 8th The E. & W. drafted from E. Side on Friday last were driven across
 the Lower Hill ford, after much trouble (sweating in the river on
 the part of Jas. Green himself,) and put in Bull Pad to be refed
 by some 2 teeth Wethers from Woolmers, to bring up which J. Porter
 & John Allen started for Woolmers on Friday. My brother says they
 are clear. -

9th to 11th Busy about the store & house. - 618 - 2-teeth W. ^{& 3 lambs} from Woolmers. -
 12th Settled with, & discharged Isaac Paine. A few days since he was
 severely censured for illusing the bullocks, & insolence to Mr. Krasus
 and, he agreed to forfeit £2 rather than be summoned to the Police
 Office.

13th Mr. Douglas (R.H.) came & bought 400 to 500 bushels of oats, to be
 delivered at Thebenudon, at 12/6 a bushel. - Rode with him part
 of the way to Deloraine, and cropped the Weandu again below

Drafted sheep
 from E. Side
 plough

Porter to
 Woolmers for sheep.
 2-teeth Wethers
 from Woolmers.
 Paine discharged.

Sold oats
 to Mr. Douglas
 at 12/6.

New
baladenia;

Garrett's Sugarloaf. On the side of the hill above the Pine Bank
I gathered numerous specimens of a Caladenia, new to me, the
first sp. of which I found a few days ago near the same spot.
It grows abundantly in that locality.

14th Sunday.

Jones &
Somers to
Lannceston;
drain in
Logfence Pk.

15th Sims & Somers to Lannceston. Made drawing of my new Caladenia.
Walked to see new drain in Logfence Park which will be completed
in a day or two, and enable me to bring water into Barn Park from
the river in an hour or two, instead of two or three days as formerly,
and without flooding the Logfence Run, as before was the case.

2-teeth W.
from Woolmers
inspected.

16th Busy drawing parts of Caladenia carnea &c. and moving pianoforte
&c from store. - Inspected the 2 teeth Wethers from Woolmers, and
drew out 3 lambs, and 1 strange Wether (with Store rines), leaving
616. 2 teeth W. to go to Barn Park. 2 are on the Halls Run, and 1 left
at Bremich's. 1 also at Brichenlow.

£10.16.0 from
Woolmers
for sheep.

17th W. Bremich paid £10.16.0 for the 12 Wethers taken on the 2nd
Oct. - Jones, the painter, came with Sims & Somers.

Excursion with
Stewart to
Cummings Head
Provisions.

18th Started at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 6 in the morn^g for Cummings Head, and reached the sum-
mit at $\frac{1}{4}$ to 12. My new knapsacks, which we were carrying, sat very
comfortably on our shoulders. We took, for provisions, a fowl, & slice of bacon,
2 lb. of sugar, 8 oz of tea, - $\frac{1}{2}$ lb of oatmeal, & about $1\frac{3}{4}$ lb. of bread, & $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. of butter. - After
refresh^d ourselves, we descended on to the plain S. of the summit, and into the
E. creek. - Here Stewart collected some young plants of Athrotaxis selaginoides,
&c. with a plant of a new Viola, found by me there 2 years ago. I secured several
noses new to me; - and what with the romantic scenery, the murmuring of
the stream, the deliciousness of the water, & the novelty of the incidents,
we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. - Striking upwards towards the plain
again, we came to the creek which runs from the S. into the E. creek, in
which we were, and ascending it for about $\frac{1}{2}$ a mile, selected a spot for our
bivouac; where we slept comfortably, and had abundance of fire wood

E. creek.

S. creek.

19th - and fair shelter from the wind. Next morning we started early, and reached
the "snowy mountain", on the road to the Meander Falls, in some 3 hours, where we
obtained a few plants (with difficulty) of Pterisphaera, (miki,) and Britina acicularis.
From the highest point of this range ^{there is} a magnificent view; ^{near} mountains, flukes fringed
with pines, - forests, - distant mountains, - hills, - townships, - river valleys, - and beyond
all, the sea in Bass's Straits. - We now travelled down the Western Creek; and, after much
scrambling for some 4 hours, stopped for the night. We obtained a few pines, but
missed the Tetraepaea Tasmanica, which I was anxious to obtain. Starting betime

Provisions
moulded back.

20th at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 5 o'clock, ^{next morning,} we ^{trudged} onwards, picking up some fine Heuratah plants on
the way, and reached home at 1 o'clock, thoroughly tired of the Western Creek. -
The provisions moulded amply, both for being ^{made} ^{up} ⁱⁿ ^{the} ^{evening} ^{at} ^{the} ^{house} ^{at} ^{the} ^{bank}

Nov^r 21st - Sunday.

Stoner & Bowdler settled with no hennings. Stoner & B. re-employed. S. fence of Yalls Run.

Stoner & B. to scum ditch in Borne P.K. - Mr Graser sent £10 to W.B. Mr John Archib. Mr Winter. Purchase of brown lands.

Fishing 30 W. to Mr Shepherd.

Mr Winter. Deputation about purchase of Brownland &c. - Wrote note concerning it.

£24 from Mr Shepherd.

22nd Stoner's work (with Bowdler) in ditch^s in Loefence P.K. measured, and their account settled. Rode to Reibey's Ripple &c., but saw no hennings, and also below Garretts Sugarloaf, but found none.

23rd Agreed to give Stoner & Bowdler 2/ a rod, for clearing away the old deadwood & American-log fence, between Yalls Run & Fields (O'Harrell's) land, and putting up 4 rail fence instead; the post requiring boring: they are to pay 7/ a week for the ordin^r rathorn. Stoner is to have £2 for drawing the stuff for the fence. - Rain.

24th Arranged with Stoner & Bowdler to scum the ditch leading from Loefence. Run N. fence to sluice gate in N. fence of Borne P.K. and to deepen small ditch at the upper end, about 30 rods long, also, for £3 and their rathorn. - Mr Graser went yesterday, to Laureston. Rode to Delonaine. - (Sent £10 to Union Bank by Mr Graser.) Called on Mr John Archib, who is very ill with influenza, at the Retreat. Afterwards called at the Retreat Brewery. Mr & Mrs Raske in Stow. Saw Mr & Mrs Winter. Mr W. asked me whether I was in favour of the giving to the party who have claimed the right of preemption of certain portions of brown land the permission to complete the purchase at once? I told him I was. He asked if I had any objections to attend with a deputation of gentlemen in favour of such a measure who were to wait on the Lieut. Gov^r on Friday, at Longford? - I answered that I wd think of the matter, and let him know tomorrow. Fished with Mr W. in the Meanders, and caught 5 hennings, besides a wetting up to my waistcoat by a fall from a log while crossing the river. - Sold 30 W. to Mr Shepherd, at 16/- each. - Paid.

25th Wrote to Mr Winter that I wd attend on the Lieut. Gov^r with the deputation. 26th Rode to the Retreat Brew^r. Found Mr Winter very weak, and much shaken from the effects of an epileptic fit in the night; and unable to go to Longford to attend the dinner to be given to Sir Wm Denison. I told him that, upon further reflection, I had decided not to attend with the deputation; but would write a note to him which might be sent in any place. I accordingly wrote a note in which I recommended the giving permission to the party of the right of pre-emptⁿ of brown land to complete the purchase at once, on the grounds that the Colony would gain by the immediate payment of money which yielded a very low percentage, and which being paid now would provide means of benefitting the Colony by promoting mining &c. &c., - and also individuals & localities would gain by the concentration of population & capital on the Crown land, (which might then be let,) and thus contribute to open up the country, by forming continued organised starting posts on the borders of civilization, &c. -

Received £24 for 30 W. (now at Chestnut) from Mr Shepherd, & exchanged it with J. Thomas for

20
to
Westbury
Nov 3

Mr McArthur, drove to Longford in Mr W's gig, - and I rode with him as far as Westbury; where I saw some of my constituents at a sale of sheep, &c. - Walked to Egmont, and killed 2 dog & 3 hennings. Left at 2 1/2th Mottoris. Rode to Deloraine in the morning, and leaving the (stock) mare to be shod at Thomas's, I took my rod, and after trying below the bridge without success, went further up the river, and succeeded in killing 2 dog & 2 fine hennings, some of them of about 8 oz weight. Called at the Postage and left 6 hennings. I have lent my

Deloraine
Spichine

Lyell's Principles of Geology, to Mrs Cobham (Mrs Williams's sister). - On the way, to Deloraine I called to enquire after Mrs Hoare, who is still in a very precarious state from influenza. Saw Mrs Syttelton there, and left 7 hennings. - Returned to Freshcut.

Mrs Hoare
Mrs Syttelton

1007 Wethers from Washburn. Taylor & Bright took brought from Washburn yesterday 1007, 4 teeth wethers. - Mrs. Granny Elmer was engaged on the 3rd Nov^r inst at £12 a year. - Mr Fraser returned yesterday, has decided abt tak' a farm.

Granny Elmer
Mr Fraser

28th Sunday. -

Isaac Parry
Mr Melrose

29th I found in the Cornwall Chronicle an answer from Mr Fraser to a false statement inserted by Isaac Parry, my late bullock-driver, as to the wages paid him, & money kept back from him. Wrote to Mr Melrose, (who has left Mr Edw^d Aubin's service, having been 12 years with him,) offering him £100 a year as my purser; - & to Mr Edw^d Aubin on the subject. Offered 300 to 400 bushels of oats more to Mr Douglas at 12/6. - Rainy weather.

Offered oats to Mr Douglas

30th Rain. - Drake Harrow suffering from influenza. - Microscope; ovule of *Boronia tetrandra*.

Dec 1st
30 w. to Mr Shepherd
Sold 70 more to him
10 w. to Mr
Hlanders £2.

Mr Shepherd came and took away the 30 sheep^w selected for him, for which he has paid; and purchased 70 more wethers, at 15/- each, to be taken away within a fortnight. - Sold 10 wethers to Butcher, of Deloraine, - at 13/6 each, being the culs of Shepherd's lot. He paid for them, £6.15.0. - Gave Hlanders £2.

The Paddock.

2nd. Yesterday I rode through almost all the paddocks, for the purpose of satisfying myself as to the state and amount of pasturage available at present. There is abundance of pasture in Stacks & Pad^k, Doublegate P^k, Same P^k, Marsh Meadow, & Bright's Hill. Arranged, for the E. Side sheep to go into Bright's Hill, - the shorn wethers to Bull P^k, - the 6-teeth E. to W^t P^k, and the cows from the Flat to Doublegate P^k. - Showy weather. Busy in the house arrang^g articles in cases & shelves in my room.

Shifted stock

3rd Rode along the Swallow-hole Creek, & found that sheep from W^t Plain can, in some places leap across into W^t Pad^k. - Spoke to Elmer about plac^g some branches to prevent their doing so. - There^w 41 yearling steers & heifers, with some cows near calving, in Same P^k, some 20 2-y^o old Do

Swallow-hole Creek
Cattle in Paddock

Yeat Steers.
offer to Messrs
Yields
Water to Barn
PK from rivers.

in Tent Padk; - and 20 4yrs old Steers, 1 ox, & 3 heifers (all fat) in Marsh
Meadow: of these I have offered (by letter today) the pick of 10 Steers, to
the Messrs Yields, at £12 a head, or the whole 20 at £11 a head. - Stones
& Bowdler have completed the scouring of the ditch in Barn Padk.
I can now obtain water from the river in Barn Padk, in less
than an hour: formerly, it took 2 or 3 days to do so. - S. & W. are
to put up & shift some parcels of fencing near foul-house. -
Arranged with Thompson and Smithson who came yesterday
that they should remain until sheepwashing; the former at
2/6 a day, if only 3 or 4 days, but at 12/- a week, if a week or more,
& £1 a week dur^s sheepwash^s; the latter at 10/- a week until, &
at 15/- a week dur^s sheepwash^s or shearing as the case may be.

Spring cart.

4th Alex^r Mason brought yesterday the Spring cart from Deloan's
repaired. - Loner has completed the cellar doors & flaps. -
Edinburgh Review's Read^s Edinburgh Review (Apr: 52) on Nat^l Schools. - Weighing medicine
& making cough mixture for various sufferers from the in-
fluenza.

Edinburgh Review's

5th Sunday. - Did not read in the afternoon to the people, on account of cold. -

Chudleigh
Road District
Meeting.

6th Rode to Chudleigh to attend the Meeting of landholders & householders, for
the appoint election of Trustees for the Chudleigh Road District. - Having opened
the business as convenor of the Meeting, I took the chair, on the motion of
Mr Gardner seconded by Mr Rockliffe (I think) & the unanim^s consent of the
Meeting, which consisted of about 35 people, mostly small farmers, -
tenants, chiefly, of the late Mr John Archer of Benjo. Six ^{myself among them} Trustees, having
been proposed, seconded, & elected unanimously, there was a slight contest
for the seventh. Those elected were Messrs Rockliffe, Powell, Gardner, W. Archer
Jr Ritchie, & Swinning. Mr Bennett proposed, & Mr Bentinck seconded, the
Mr Mulroy, - & Mr Rockliffe proposed, & Mr Gardner seconded, Mr Geo: Ritchie
Mr Mulroy was elected by a large majority. - We then proceeded to the fix
of the rates, when Mr A. Wigan proposed, & Mr ^{seconded} the proposition
that the maximum rates should be ascertained; which was carried unanimously.
The business of the Meeting being ended, the Trustees met for a short time
and it was discovered, that Mr Mulroy was not a resident in the district.
The people were therefore assembled again, & after another contest, in
which Mr Geo: Ritchie & Mr Martin Collins were the opponents, the latter
Mr Martin Collins was elected by a large majority. - Not being possessed
of information on several important points, it was agreed by the Trustees that
they should meet on the 14th inst at Chudleigh, to appoint a collector, &
& I undertook to communicate with the Col^l Sec^y, & the Att^y Gen^l, upon certain
doubtful points. - The people were cordial in their manner towards me. -

I returned home satisfied, with the reception which I had met with from my constituents, and gratified at the orderly & respectable manner in which they conducted themselves at the meeting. Feeling quite exhausted with my slight day's work, I determined to give up my intention of riding to Washburn tomorrow, on the way to Mona Vale, I wrote a note to my Brother to that effect. also wrote to Mr Douglas to send a team to Wood news for plow, & rider. - commenced sheepwashing.

Not to go to Mona Vale.

Wrote to Call Secret & Attorneys

Dec 3rd - yth Sandy Kraser rode to Deloraine with the letters in time to forward them by the morning's coach. Wrote to the Call Sec^y ask^d if the Govt had any objection to the appoint^{mt} of W. Humphrey, D.C. as Collector to the Chudleigh Road District; and to the Att^y as to the ^{legal} meaning of the word "cultivated" in the 2th clause of the Road Act; - also to Mr Barnard, Gov^t Printer, - forward^d a notice of the Trustees elected, and requesting him to forward to me five copies of the Road Act for the use of the Trustees. - And I wrote to the Trustees, ask^d them to meet me on the 13th instead of the 14th inst.; - also several other letters.

2 Shearers came. R. Terry. Promises to sheepwash. Increase of Loggins. 35 W. to Shepherd. He paid £26.10.0

8th - Sent the letters to the post. - 2 Shearers, Shields & Durand came, - also Terry, to wind for me. - Promised a pair of trousers to each of the sheepwashers, - and gave a pair from the store to Stoner, Bouldler, & Lacey.

2 Shearers.

9th Rode along the drain in Loggins Park, & found a good fall throughout, which will enable me to irrigate the Run well. Busy in the house arranging newspapers &c. - Shepherd took 35 W. for which he paid £26.10.0.

Wm. Arthur's Saw-mill

10th - Two shearers, Jones & Callaghan, came; and say that they do not think that any more shearers will come, several flocks about Longford & Leanne's being ready for shearing. - Rode to the junction of the Western Creek and Meander, to fish, but found no herrings. Wm. Arthur has opened a drain from here to take water towards Foster's Sugar loaf for the supply of a saw-mill, which a man named Carlin is to put up & work, paying him 1/6 for every 100 feet of stuff sawn, & so Mr. A. is to erect the mill, - Carlin being "a man of straw."

Commenced shearing

Sheep mixed

11th - Commenced shearing with the four shearers here. Sims, Bouldler & Stoner at the woolpress, - & R. Terry winding. - I superintended the wash^g of nearly 200 store & thin sheep, - rode to Marsh meadow to ascertain how a number of Layton's wethers mixed with the ~~the~~ store lines (but they found that they had scrambled under the fence which had not been properly examined, - between Marsh meadow & Laneth R. - Agreed to give Bouldler and Gallagher 7^s a rod, for scouring the S. ditch of Bright's Hill.

12th - Sunday.
13th - Rode to Chudleigh to attend a meeting of the Trustees of the Dist. Read to them portions of the Act; and arranged to apply to the Sect. Gen^l for a Road Surveyor; also to appoint somebody nearer to the

Chudleigh

District than Mr Gardner to be Treasurer. - On my return home wrote to Surveyors, & Mr Gardner. -

December 14th.
To Westbury & Carrick.
for shears.

Rode to Westbury, Carrick, & Entally, to look for shears. Heard of one or two who may, perhaps come, but most are employed. Spoke to Motton about obtaining some for me. I left at Entally. A deputation from Longford waited upon the Rev. Dr. Keibay the other day, to request that he would allow himself to be nominated as a candidate for a seat in the Legislature, if a dissolution should take place. - He refused because of his ministerial office.

Report to Rev. Dr. Keibay

Herring & Dry's Bend

15th Rainy morning. In the afternoon rode to Dry's Bend with T. Keibay, & in a pleasant afternoon's sport killed nearly 2 doz herrings; T. K. killed 25. - Some of the fish were very fine. Rode from the "swim", across the bush, passing Godfrey's farm, to the Westbury road, in about an hour, reaching Westbury 10 minutes afterwards. - Slept at Motton's.

Westbury

* Paid Quigley £4.12.0

Wm Porter ret'd
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36 w. to the sheep
& £27 from 80.

Sheepwashing
Taylor settled with

Meeting of Trustees of Chadleigh R.D.

Mr Winter's

By Browne

Christmas Day

To Sarum

16th Left some fish that I brought from Dry's Bend at Motton's. Paid Quigley, Timms, £3.12.0 for 6 milk-dishes, & £1. for 2 tin Knapsacks. - Killed

at Deloraine on my way home, caught 11 herrings, (one weighing 7 oz.) Wm Porter the stock keeper, returned from the diggings, having cleaned the says) about £60. Saw Messrs. Tho^s & John Field at Westbury: they are to take 18 steers, at £11 a head, in the begin^g of next week. - Shepherd took 36 Wethers, & paid Mr Fraser £27 for them. -

17th Busy, superintending sheepwashing. Washed the Lower Hill flock. -

18th Sheepwashing. Washed the Lagforce Run flock, (formerly Porter's). - Paid T. Taylor cash £17.16.8 in full to Dec^r 12: 1852. -

19th Sunday. -

20th Rode to Mr Bennett's Inn at the "Redgate", and met all the other Trustees of the Chadleigh Road District except Mr Gardner. After our business was finished they took luncheon with me, and returned home.

21st Rainy weather. Mr Jas Winter came to consult me concern^g a new cottage which he intends to build near Deloraine. He dined with us & returned home.

22nd Busy in the house. - Microscope, &c. W. Porter very ill with dysentery. -

23rd Rain. - As yesterday

24th Mr Browne, who has just lately come to reside & practise at Deloraine, came to "call". - Showery. -

25th Christmas Day. - Most of the men at home. Wm Ryland, shearer, is to live with Brizstacks, & make boots for the men. - The men played cricket &c. and in the evening I read to them. -

26th Sunday. -

27th Started at 2 past 4 o'clock in the morning with Sims in the gig & reached Deloraine at 6 o'clock in time for the coach which took me to Sarum. Took my place by Page's coach for Miona Vale tomorrow, & thence on Wednesday

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received with hootings and groans, which at length became so demonstrative of strong intentions that Mr Hand slunk away. — Then, though one wd have thought that "the force of folly could no further go," a fat man, Trimp by name, but a very poor^{er} card by nature, came forward, and gesticulated, and raised & lowered his hat with both hands, and conducted himself in such a pantomimic manner, that he must have meant great things, though practically he did not say them so as to be heard. He was met with jeers, groans, shouts, laughter, and various funny remarks to the effect of warning the people near him to beware that he didn't "burst," &c.; — until Mr Bugeff's battalion cleared the hustings, and soon afterwards the great Trimp^{who was} this obliged to be cut short, was to be seen shuffling away along the common street. The antagonistic force which had thus abated the ardour of the Reeverites appeared to be composed chiefly of the mates & crews of several whalers just arrived in the Port, who seemed constitutionally opposed to the mobmen, and exceedingly anxious to "warm their jackets" for them. — However the retreat and abandonment of the field by the mob, prevented the consumm^{ation} which seemed to them so desirable from taking place; and they accordingly dispersed. — The City was remarkably quiet that evening, & during the night; in fact there wd have been ten times the rioting in England upon a similar occasion.

Jan V 2nd Sunday. Went to Church at Goulburn St Chapel in the morning, — & at the Cathedral in the evening. The Bishop preached in the evening, and a collection of about £50 was made as a contrib^{ution} to the new Goulburn St Church funds. —

3rd My poor Sister Mrs R. 2. Kermode died at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 3 o'clock, this morning. Her lamp of faith which, though a light always, had ever burned dimly threatened to expire before her poor skeleton of a body; but rose, just before her death, in a pure bright & holy flame above her pains and temptations, and shed a heavenly radiance round her death bed, — brightening the countenances of her sorrowing yet hoping friends with rays of more than mortal light. — "Blessed are the dead &c." —

4th Received today the account of my poor Sister's death, and in the afternoon seemed a seat by Page's Coach to Mona Vale for tomorrow.

5th To Mona Vale by Coach. During this meeting of Council I attempted to take a more prominent part in the debates on various subjects, and addressed the Council in support of various motions, with more than usual confidence, and ease. — I stated among other things that if Mr Gleadlow's friends were not prepared to give more time to the job at the end of the 3 months for which the Police Hoards expenditure was

Death of
Mrs R. 2. Kermode.

voted, in case no despatches were received before the next meeting of Council, - I should be prepared to vote those estimates for six months. Mr Gladstone replied, for himself, that he should give more time. -

Mona Vale.

My Brother's marriage.

I found poor Robert Kemnade, & my Mother, better than I expected, the pain of separation from the dear departed one having been gradual, & her sufferings so great that it was a relief to her ^{self} to all, when she ceased to exist. - My Brother & his Bride (Miss Annie Weston that was) were there. They were married at Perth Church, on Tuesday the 29th Dec^r, ult. under peculiar circumstances, - namely that it was considered desirable that the marriage should not be deferred, - not only because my Sister's state was so uncertain that, if they were to be ruled by that no day could be fixed, - but because ^{her death} it might make a long postponement necessary about the time arranged for its taking place. - On the whole it was thought the best course for the marriage to take place at once. -

Funeral of Mrs R. D. H.

Campbell Town.

6th This day, ^{was fixed for} the funeral of my Sister; and, accordingly formed one of the mourning party, which was composed of not many but sincere (apparently) friends. - After it was over Mr Cox drove me, with Mr John Archer who had been his comp^{an} from H. Town, to Campbell Town where I slept at the hospitable house of Dr Valentine, who was at Mona Vale. -

Launceston.

Deloraine.

Blanchmont.

7th To Launceston by coach, - and thence to Deloraine, remaining for the night at W Weather's. - Passed the evening at Rev M. Williams. Met Mr & Mrs Sargent & Mr S. B. -

Longington.

C. North.

W. Caine.

8th To Alcheshunt. -

9th Sunday. -

10th During this week very busy arranging furniture &c, & irrigating some parts of Monk Meadows with Charles Hottle who came here while I was in Hobart Town. - A W. Caine came to buy cattle. I am to write to him. -

16th Sunday. -

17th During this week very busy irrigating by myself (B. H. having gone to the Hunting Ground) - Bright's Hill, some Park, & Monk Meadows. - On the 22nd Mr Shepherd took away 40 Withers, for which he paid me £29. - and I gave Miss Mackenzie £2. - I had written to Mess^{rs} Field that I should sell the 18 steers offered to them, if they did not send for them by a certain day: - As they had not sent I offered to W. Caine with 2 more at £11 a head, & 6 cows at £8 & £9 a head - 26 head in the for £272. - After writing I rec^d a letter from Mr John Field with a cheque for £198 for the 18 steers first offered to them: this remains to him on acct of the cattle being under offer to W. Caine. - On the I rec^d a note from W. Caine in which he offered me £250 for the

S. X 40 W. to Shepherds.

C 1/2 2 Miss Mackenzie.

S. 18 steers offered to the fields.

Cheque from Mr J. Field, returned. Note from W. Caine.

26 head of cattle: this I indignantly declined. A day or two afterwards came W Shepherd showing a letter from W Baine authorizing him to offer £270 for the 26 head of cattle. I had previously however referred the whole matter to W Brookes, and directed that W Baine should apply to him. W Brookes was desired by me to give the first offer of the cattle to Messrs Field. W Shepherd hastened back to Deloraine, wrote to W Baine by coach, & W Brookes sold to him the 18 sters at £11 a head.

S. W Brookes sold 18 sters for me to W Baine.

Jan 2 23rd

J. Stoner & Bowdler. Fencing between Bk Marsh & O'Farrell's land (Fields). W John Davies. W W Rostie.

25th Sunday. - It has been arranged that Stoner & Bowdler shall have the job of fencing the boundary between the O'Farrell land (Fields) & Upper Bk Marsh, clearing away the old fence, and a road along one side of the fence, where practicable, at 2/ a rod. - I have written to W John Davies, formerly overseer to W Wainman of Brickeendon, to take the situation of overseer here; but he is unable to arrange for doing so. - I have also written to W W Rostie.

Herrings

26th to 30th - Emigrating &c. - There are very many herrings in the meadows just now. On several occasions I have killed 2, 3, to 4 1/2 dozen of them, very fine fish indeed: they are making upwards, & have now reached halfway between Field's ford & Lower Mill ford. -

S. X 20 Steers & 6 cows to W Baine. X 45 Wethers to W Shepherd. Feb 2 1st

30th Sunday. - W Baine came today, & took away ~~20~~ 20, 4 y old sters at £18 a head, & 6 cows at £8 a head. He had paid £19 8 to W Brookes, & paid me now £68 in notes. W Shepherd also paid me £32.12.6 for 45 Wethers, which he took away. - W W Rostie went to Longford. -

Lanmerton W W Rostie.

Rode to Deloraine, & went into Lanmerton by the 6 o'clock coach. Transacted various matters of business, - ordering deals at Mr Debitte's, and iron at Corbette's, with other articles, - and returned to Cheshunt in the same manner as I left it. - W W Rostie went from Deloraine with me, & was to have given me an answer whether or not he would be my overseer, - but did not.

W Fraser & family left Cheshunt. - Patrick Delaney retained. - 3rd Emigrating the flat. - 4th of ducks. - 5th of herrings at Deloraine.

2nd Mr Fraser & family left Cheshunt yesterday. I sent the waggon with their chattels, and a horsecart to take themselves to Deloraine. - I have retained Patrick Delaney for 6 mos as groom at £30 a year: he is to milk also for the present. -

3rd Emigrating the flat. - There are vast flocks of ducks about here just now; coming about the water in the meadows, in large numbers at night. The shepherds shoot many of these, & send them (I hear) to Deloraine, where they obtain a good price for them. - Herrings are worth 2/6 a dozen also at Deloraine. - I have killed about 25 dozen during this season. -

Feb 4th - Investigating the Flat, & Sagfence Paddock

5th - As yesterday. W. Gardner came with a waggon from Washburn, bringing 2 casks of cider, 1 ton of flour, & some packages for myself, & W.B. Dottle.

6th Sunday. - W. Dottle returned this morning. He reached Deloraine last night. Started W. Gardner again, to Washburn, with 120 bushels (measured) of oats, in 4 bags, (with he boot); a box of jam for Mrs Starkhouse, a parcel of English books for my Brother, & one or two other parcels. 2 waggons & 1 dray of W. Douglas's arrived in the evening. I killed 22 herrings in the afternoon. W. Dottle 3 ducks. I rec^d the other day from Jas. Elmer a very curious duck with a wide bill of this form, a curious sort of band of white feathers across the wings, & light blue feathers on the upper part of them. - In size between a duck & teal. - Unfortunately, I had not time to stuff it.



W. Waggon from Washburn. Cider, Flour, &c.
Oats &c. to Washburn.
McDouglas's waggons.
Singular duck. Shoveller.

W. W. Douglas. 8th - W. Douglas came to breakfast. - Started his waggons & dray with 36 bales of wool from ^{TA} 121 to 156 for W. Brooks - Lannerton. Sold W. Douglas 300 bushels (being 200 of the best & 100 of the inferior kind) of oats at 6/8 a bushel of 41 lb. - deliv^d here. - Settled with J. Chase & John Jones (Painters). - Sold 25 ewes to Rowland [of the March P.K.] - for which he paid me £14.10.0. -

W. Douglas's 36 bales of wool to Stone. Sold W. Douglas 300 bushels of oats. J. Chase & John Jones left. 25 ewes to Rowland.
Puffin to Washburn & returned.
Mrs Lytton & Mrs Davies.
Chudleigh's meeting.
W. McKastic here.
W. W. Field & Mr. Field.
W. W. Field & Mrs. Field.

9th - Rainy weather. - Making up accounts &c. - I started on my way to Washburn, to attend a meeting of jurors, and also one of the parties to Arthur Kille's & Co's matters. - Finding at Deloraine a letter from my Brother to the effect that he would not have his accounts ready, I turned homewards again. Saw Mrs Lytton & Mrs Davies, on their way back to Longford. -

10th - A meeting of bloodless Trustees today. I wrote my opinions to them - the weather being too wet for riding excepting in case of necessity. -

11th - W. McKastic here. - Mr W. Field came with his Brother Thomas. He looked at the ewes & wethers (Taylor's culls). He seemed inclined to deny that his Brother John had sent me this message - that I had sold the cattle, (to Cane), and I might sell the sheep (offered to him) to the same party. - I told him that I was not very anxious to sell to his Brother; - "Well! (he said) I'm not in a hurry about buying the sheep, - so there's no harm done!" - I answered "Very well!" and he went off in a huff. - I told Mr Field that I had heard rumours that the Crown land now held by Dean (formerly Field's), on the E. side of the Meander, was subject to Dean by Ball, who is the

license, I believe; and that, if that were the case, Mr Hall would lose the land, - so that he might recover it, if he were on the quiver.

H. John Allen
Rich^d Vanderwille
hired.

12th Walked through the meadows & cornfields with Mr Koster. The oats are not yet fit to cut. - Wet weather. - John Allen hired for

13th Sunday. - (2 mos at 12/- a week. Rich^d Vanderwille for 6 mos at £12 a year)

14th Mr Koster engaged with me today for one year at £150 & 20 for a servant, - in all £170. - He will engage for a second year at £200, - but 3 months notice on either side before the close of the year is to close the engagement. - He goes to Stone Songford &c, and is to hire some ploughmen &c. if possible. - Mr Koster went with him to Deloraine. - Mr Douglas three waggons

engaged
Mr Koster.

Mr Douglas's
waggons.

15th Went with Mr & Mrs North part of the way to their new station near Quamby's Bluff, taking various chattels, & leaving

60 bags of oats
to Mr Douglas
21 bales of wool to Mr
Chudleigh & Mr
Meeting.

them about halfway, coming back again. - Loaded Mr Douglas's waggons with 60 bags of best oats, and 21 bales of wool. -

Chudleigh & Mr
Meeting.

16th Meeting of Chudleigh R^d Dist^r Trustees today. Wrote to them that they had better have a meeting of the ratepayers to decide upon the line of road to be adopted

Line of roads
with W. & B. North
to their stations.

between Chudleigh and Deloraine, since it was a disputed point with the Trustees. - Exhorted them to push on the collector with the assessment of the

rates. - Went with W. & B. North to their station, taking on the chattels forwarded part of the way yesterday. Left them on the edge of the plain

and returned after making some fires on the marsh. - Found some fine specimens of Sphagnum sp. (the com^o one) in full fruit, on the marsh.

Mr Douglas's waggons (two) had arrived. Loaded them partly. -

Sphagnum in
fruit.
Mr Douglas's
waggons.

17th Finished the loading of Mr Douglas's waggons with 16 bales of wool & 40 bags of oats, (33 infer^r & 7 best). - The oats which he has had are

16 bales of wool to
Mr Douglas's
40 bags of oats to
Mr Douglas's.

202 ²⁶/₄₁ bushels of the best sample, & 95 ⁴/₄₁ of the infer^r sort. - Total 298 bushels; also 4 1/2 bushels for his horses. - Set W. Storer, Bowdler, & Pares to reap in


Reaping oats.

Princes Park, at 14/- an acre: the price is higher than it would have been if they had had a cock. - W. & B. North went to their station. -

Care of
consoles.
Flowing Marsh.

18th Busy carving some consoles for Hall chimney piece. Rode to Flowing Marsh, and along the edge of the drain ~~between~~ running through the marshy land on the Western Creek, adjoining Mr Parker's property.

Mr Parker's

He wished to buy that portion which lies between the drain & the creek; but I have decided not to sell it, but to erect a fence along the drain, of two rails overhanging the drain, thus  to keep out Mr Parker's sheep which trespass upon me to a very great extent. -

Mr Parker's
Marsh.

19th Making drawings of chimney pieces. - Rode in the afternoon, in 1 1/4 hours to Jockey's Marsh, taking with me a few lb of meat for W. & B. North. - Came back in 1 hour & 45 minutes. -

Feb 20th Sunday. - Rev^d M. Williams appointed to be here in the evening, but did not come, - being kept away by severe toothache.

S. Shepherd bought 70 ewes.
"Sammy's letter" from W.W. Field.

21st Shepherd came from Deloraine and bought 70 ewes at 13/- a head. to be taken away during this week and the next. - Having rec^d a letter from W. Ady Douglas, the Attorney, demanding £30 on behalf of W. W. Field as compensation for the loss sustained by him in the matter of 120 ewes sold to him in Sept^r last, which he understood from my letter, of the 14th inst^t, had been "run off" instead of picked, (as I partly understood myself, and therefore sent him on that day a cheque for £6, being 1/2 a head as compensation,) I wrote to him putting the case in its true light, and asking him to return my cheque which had been given in mistake; and also offering an apology for my roughness of manner towards him on the 11th inst^t. - W. B. F. came to meet a man who was to build a hut for them. He did not come & they returned home.

Wrote to him

Road Meeting at Westbury.

22nd - Rode to Westbury to attend a meeting called by the Trustees of the Westbury Rd. Dt. for the purpose of consid^g the expedi^{ency} of petition^g the Dist. Gov^r to make the Westb^y Rd a Main Road. - Compared the Acts bearing on the subject. - Being called to the chair, I opened the matter by pointing out the difference that would be created by such a proceeding in funds & management; recommended the meeting to consider the subject in detail as to funds, management, & labour; bring^g forw^d propos^{ns} on each subject, and concluding with a general proposⁿ, that it is expedient to petition the Dist. Gov^r. After much conversation and irregular discussion, at my suggestⁿ, the Rev^d J. Kirby, trustee & treasurer, proposed the resolution in accordance with the advertisement - "that it is exped^t to be." seconded by W. G. Sams. - W. E. Martin & Rev^d J. Martin were the speakers in oppositⁿ, & W. Kirby, W. Rooker & W. J. K. Church, in support. At length I put the question, and the resolutⁿ was lost by a majority of ^{18,} ^{the majority being} about 24 to 6. - There was some little debate as to a vote of thanks to the Trustees for their able exertions which was at last put by me, & carried unanimously. - The meeting then broke up, with the usual vote of thanks to the chairman; which were given by acclamation. - On the way down W. Shepherd paid me £45.10.0 for the 70 ewes sold to him yesterday; and I gave £45 to W. R. Douglas to place to credit of Chestnut Estate Acct. - Returned home in the evening, having dined with W. E. Martin.

C. £45.10 from Shepherd for 70 ewes.
E. W. B. came but 223 ewes & 5 cows.

23rd W. B. came from Stou and bought 223 ewes at 13/- a head, & 5 cows at £10 a head, for which he paid me by cheque on the Bank.

of Australasia, which I forwarded to the post-office enclosed to the Manager of the Union Bk, request an answer by return of post.

S. Sold 300 W. to Wbance.
20. Weifus to Bull.
W. M. K. R. C.

Wbance also purchased 300 withers, to be drawn out of a lot of about 346, at 15/- a head to be taken away on the 21st March next.

Jackey's Marsh.
Small trail.
Excursion to Songford.

Selected 20-2 yrs old heifers and placed them in Barn Park with the 6 yrs old Bull from Cressy. - W. M. K. R. C. returned yesterday.

S. 2239. to Wbance.
358. to Shepherd.

24th Rode to father's Marsh, remained ^{by} the night with W. B. Hottle in their tent. Busy burning off scrub &c in the afternoon. Shot a small bird which I had only seen once on the flat here, running on the ground.

25th Stuffed the small bird. Went with my cousins W. B. H. towards Songford through the bush, - fern tree scrubs, - forests of gum string bark, & beech, - thickets of tea tree, &c. &c. - Set the bush on fire; & returned: - We had been about 5 miles, or 6 perhaps. - Rode home.

We didn't see a Kangaroo during the whole excursion.

to Westbury.
March 1st.
to Woolmers.
R. Q. R.
Meeting of Trustees.

26th Sent to Deloraine, by John Elmer, 223 ewes for Wbance, & 35 ewes for Shepherd.

27th Sunday.

28th Rode to Westbury. - Prepared arsenical soap - Varied new birds.

Rode to Carnick in heavy rain. - Bonball met me with a gig from Woolmers, and took me there. - R. Q. Kermode & my mother, with the children had returned from George Town. - Met Mr Josiah Acher. - The Trustees.

Sale at Moreton.

Remained for the night at Woolmers.

2nd To Carnick. Rode to Moreton, to attend the Revd J. Reiberg's Sale.

Sale at Deloraine.
Bot 3 bulls.
Port bay mare.
£10.10 to J. Elmer.
The 3 bulls to Woolmers.

Proceeded to Westbury for the night.

3rd To Deloraine. - Attended a large sale of sheep, cattle, horses, &c. - Bought 3-2 yrs old white Durham Bulls, bred by Circular & Co; for my Brother & W. J. Acher, - for £20 a head. - Gave Bill, at 3 mos, for the amount.

Bought a bay mare for £30. will go in saddle & harness - Paid for her by cheque, to W. Sewing. - Gave John Elmer, through W. B. Hayes, £10.10.0.

Sent the 3 bulls to Woolmers by W. Porter on the bay mare, - his horse having fallen with him, and injured himself.

March 4th Wm Pearce came & bought 4 working oxen for £60, which he
 paid me in gold. - At the sale yesterday I agreed to let Mr
 Braunsgrone have 450 Wethers out of about 525 in Lower
 Hill at 16/- a head - half to be taken next Wednesday, & the
 remainder in a fortnight. - W. Boxhall came, bid at £18 a year
 for 1 mo.
 5th W Shepherd took away 35 Ewes, (paid for.) - Mr W. Wigan came
 thought 30 Wethers from Saffron Pk, for which he gave me
 a cheque for £22 10. 0. - Miss J. Porter - Shepherd at £40
 a year, (with the liberty of cultivat^g half an acre of land, and keeping some
 pigs upon the produce,) for a year. - Gave Lomer £10. - Sims £5. - &
 Thomson £1. Sent Pasha to Washburn by Porter, for Boxhall to ride & prepare
 for the sale at Entally.
 6th Sunday. - Rev M. Williams in the evening. -
 7th Busy arranging mechanics work &c. previously to leaving home. Rode
 to Deloraine, and went, by break, into Lammeston to Entally,
 where I remained all night. I met there Mr G. Merritt, & Mr
 Adams, who has been travelling in America & Australia for his
 health. He is a very agreeable person, & an excellent performer on
 the organ.
 8th To Lammeston by coach. Transacted various matters of business
 & Hobart Town. Hired for Hobart Town by Payer's mailcoach at 5 o'clock, and
 reached the ship Inn at about 8 o'clock. Attended the Council
 in the evening. - At Freemason's Hotel. -
 9th to 12th In Hobart Town. The Legislative Council was yesterday
 adjourned to 12th July next; the estimates for Police & Gaol Ex-
 penditure have been voted for 4 months, i.e. until 31st July. -
 13th Sunday. - R. L. K. who has been staying at the Freemason's Hotel
 with my Mother, his children & Miss Kemade, went to Lammeston today
 on important business connected with one of his nieces who is just
 going to England. - Went with my Mother & the others to hear Rev
 H. H. Cox in the morning. & by myself to the Cathedral, ^{in the afternoon} Archdeacon
 Davies preaching; - also with my Mother & Miss K. to hear Rev^d W.
 Nicholson in the evening. Shepherd took yesterday 41 Ewes, & paid £26.13 for them.
 14th By Payer's daycoach to Lammeston. - Slept at the Cornwall Hotel. -
 15th Mr Weedon gave me a seat in his cab to Entally, to attend the
 Sale. - Sold my grey horse "Pasha" for £62. - Mr W. is to have £5, &
 I gave Boxhall £2; so that I received £55 clear. - Purchased the two
 grey carriage horses from Mr Steigitz for £90, he having obtained them
 at £80. - Sold 500 bushels of oats to Mr R. H. Douglas at 10/6, de-
 livered at Lammeston. - Took with me on the coach to Deloraine, ^{from Stou}
 my portmanteau & carpet bag, box of inkstands &c. from Hobart Town.

S. 4 oxen to W. Pearce
 S. Sold Wethers to Braunsgrone.
 Wm Boxhall came.
 S. 35 Ewes to Shepherd.
 S. 30 Wethers to Mr W. Wigan.
 H. Miss J. Porter.
 C. £10 to Lomer.
 Pasha to Washburn.
 W. Adams.
 W. Adams.

To Lammeston
 To Hobart Town.

Council adjourned.

R. L. K.

In Hobart Town

To Stou

Entally Sale.
 Sold Pasha.
 Bot 2 carriage horses.
 Sold 500 bushels of oats.
 Articles from Stou to Deloraine.

double-barrelled gun for W. H. V. H. - doublebarrelled gun, with Baron DeBrenner's patent safety guard, (for which I am to give £26.5.0) - in case, I a fishing rod & basket given to me by Rev^d Y. Reibey - Bade adieu to Mr & Mrs Reibey. - Found C. Nottle at Deloraine with Jessy; Trade with him home. - On the way to Lammerton, on the 14th inst, I hired Abr^m Whitbread at Westbury, a milkmaid for 6 mos at the rate of £35 a year; and in Lammerton on the 8th I engaged Tho^s Druce, a ploughman &c, who can also stack & thatch, - for one year at £40. - Gave Druce 15% to take him up to Cheshunt. -

New gun.

H. Hired also Whitbread Tho^s Druce.

March. 16th

W. Porter's engagement.

S. W. Plain Wethers.

S. Somers away.

S. W. Braungrove about short weight of sheep.

Obtained my luggage &c. from Deloraine. - Arranged with W. Porter that he shall have £30 for this year, and shall have an opportunity of making extra wages by jobbing on the farm. - Inspected the Wethers from W. Plain: about 200 to 250 fine fat sheep can be selected from among them. - Rode with Mr Koster to look at the fattening steers & heifers: there are about 12 steers in saleable order, & 10 heifers. - Somers has been several days away. - Mr Braungrove complained to me, that the Lower Hill Wethers purchased by him do not weigh as much as he expected: that one weighed 37 lb and another 44; & that the average will not exceed 44 lb. - On the other hand Mr Koster assures me that one of the Wethers culled out by young Braungrove weighed 45 1/2 lb. - There is no satisfying butchers. -

C. Mr Koster to Longford. Paid R. H. Douglas Hill's mares. R. Terry. Tho^s Druce.

17th Mr Koster went to Longford. I gave him £73.12.10 to pay to Mr R. H. Douglas, viz. £30 in notes & gold, - & a cheque W. H. P. for £43.12.10. - He is to see his former partner Hill, concern^d 2 mares in foal, & with one foal, and a horse cart & harness, which he offered to Mr K. for £170. - He is also to speak concern^d R. Terry's ploughman &c. (Woolmer) coming here. - W. Porter tells me that it is reported that Tho^s Druce, lately hired as ploughman &c. has been a "flagellator," and that he will not remain long at Cheshunt.

Mr. A. Horne

Bellows to mend!

2 carriage horses.

Wages of Shepherds.

allowances.

18th Mr Alfred Horne came to consult me concern^d a Mill which he is about to erect near Deloraine. - I gave him information as to expense, - quantity of lime, slates, lead, &c. with English prices. - Fitted new leather complete to a pair of Draw^s Room bellows, which had been scorch'd. - W. Porter arrived yesterday evening with the two carriage horses which I bought at Lutally. Spoke to Taylor the shepherd about an increase of wages to my shepherds, on acct of giving £40 a year to W. Porter; telling him that such wages were too high, - but that I was willing to let all the shepherds have £35 a year, with liberty to cultivate one acre of ground to keep pigs within a yard: it being understood that at least ten rods of the acre are to be sown with tobacco for use on their sheep, - & that I allow them so much a lb. for the surplus. -

March 19th.

Thos Druce.
&
J. Elmer.

Thos Druce came to say that he cannot remain here on account of a false report being circulated that he has been a flagellator; and that the Elmers had raised it. Saw Elmer who said that his little daughter Betsy remembered the man as soon as he entered the dairy; and said to her Mother, "Mother that's the man who used to follow me in Lanneston, and tried to entice me with lollypops to go with him. I'm sure that's the man." Her Mother then remembered the circumstance and cautioned ~~the~~ Druce against trying to do so here. He asked her when he did it, and whether he was drunk or not; and denied the statement altogether. She said that he might remember that the man who was staying at her house came up when she spoke to him in front of her door, and told him "I knowed you in Habert Town. - You're a flagellating dog!" - Druce did not deny this, and said something to the effect "that she might have it her own way." Elmer said, "that was all he knew of the man. Druce denied, (with an invocation to be struck dead, in confirmation,) that he had ever been a flagellator, and challenged proof; stating that he would prosecute Elmer for slandering him, & causing him to lose his place. None of the men ever heard of his having been a "flagellator"; but still believe the reports; - so that it is useless for me to attempt to retain the man in my service. The whole of the other, & far worse charge, rests upon the statement of Betsy Elmer. My opinion is that the man has not been a flagellator, but that the other charge is true, judging from sundry equivocations & reservations which he made. - I let him depart, - paying him 5/-, which, with 15/- given to pay his way up from Stow make £1. - Probably we are better without the man. The whole affair is a genuine specimen of the experience of a penal colony. - Inspected the ground in Sagfene Park, near that part of Seith's creek immediately above the triple sluiceway, and towards the middle of the run, with a view to bring water from the watercourse already cut to the ditch running past Belbin's cottage. It is practicable, but will be difficult. - Wm North here today. - Taylor took some tobacco and an iron pot to his hut today, for the purpose of prepar^g tobacco water to dress his sheep, which are shewing signs of scab to a great extent, among the sheep sent from Woolmers. - This is sad news! -

Discharged
Druce.
Paid him £1
Projected ditch
in Sagfene Park.

W. North

Sheep on E. Side
"breaking"

20th Sunday. -

21st I found, that a large quantity of water was flowing down the W. ditch of

Redgate Paddock, and doing damage to the wheat in Bee Paddock. I believe that a number of my men were yesterday engaged in letting the water from the meander down the irrigator's channel, in order to draw herrings into it, that they might catch them there. I examined the wheat, which does not appear to be quite fit to reap. - Set Jos^h Edwards & mate to repair the fence of the Hyana Paddock. - 300 Wethers to Mr Leame, for wh^{ch} he had paid £225. Dr Browne came, and prescribed for little Alice, who has been suffering from diarrhoea. - Rode with Mr McKee, (who returned home this forenoon) to the E. Side, and inspected Taylor's sheep. There were he said 150 missing; and he had drawn 82 scabby sheep out of those gathered. These 82 were all from Woolmers in Dec^r last. Mr McKee has hired Rich^d Terry, after he leaves Woolmers, for a year at £35 from me & £5 from himself, with liberty to mind work at Woolmers on his own account. - Yesterday Mr Field's stockkeeper drove more than 1000 of my sheep off his master's land into Lower Hill Run, so that they are mixed up (Bristock's) with the wethers sold to Mr Braunsgraves. -

Men catching herrings in Bee & Chaul.

S. 300 Wethers to Mr Leame. C. Mr Leame paid £225 into W.B. March 22nd.

S. Dr Browne. Taylor's sheep scabby.

H. Rich^d Terry.

Sheep mixed on Field's lands.

Mr Braunsgraves 23rd did not come.

At Farley's Manks. Herring gone up the river.

Brush fences near Lower Hill burnt.

H. Measuring reaped lands. Marshall hired floor-cloth in Hall.

Westbury Road.

23rd Mr Braunsgraves was to have come today to take his second draft of Wethers, but I have postponed his doing so, at his request, until Monday next. Rode to see W. & B. Hottle in the afternoon, and tried to catch some herrings without success. Belbin says he saw a large number of them, full brood, going upwards the other day; - to speron I suppose.

24th In the afternoon rode to the "Keece Swin", and by the Lower Hill burnt the brush fence, so that the sheep stray over to Field's lands. - In the morning measured the various patches of reaping & mowing done by Stoner, Pass, &c. &c. - I made out the quantities, and cash due to them thereon. Engaged Marshall for 1 year at £35.

25th Good Friday. - Read the collects &c. Morning & Evening, but had no regular service. - Put down floor-cloth in the Hall. - Discharged Pass. - Rode to the river near the sluice, & ~~fished~~ fished unsuccessfully.

26th Did various jobs in the house. - Considering carefully the question concerning making over the Westbury Road Fe. to the Gov^t.

27th Sunday. -

28th Considering question concern^s Westbury Road. Fished below fence between Hill & Falls Run, & killed 33 herrings. -

29th Mr Braunsgraves came and brought a Bank receipt for £160, (the price of 200 Wethers at 16/- each,) which he had paid into the Union Bank on the 23rd inst. I agreed to let him have 120 more Wethers composed of the 50 picked ones left by him, & 70 composed of a selection from those thrown back by him today, and those thrown back by Leame on the 21st inst.

Killed 33 herring.

C. Mr Braunsgraves took 200 Wethers. S. has paid £160. Sold him 120 more Wethers.

S. W. Brause gave
to have 100 ewes
on the 12th April.
S. 50 ewes to Mr
C. Shepherd - He
pays £33.15.
to have 50 more in
a fortnight.

Great Road
Meeting at
Deloraine.

Sold also to W. Brause 100 ewes at 14/- each; they & the wethers are to be taken
away on the 12th of April. - W. Shepherd bought and took away 50 ewes, at
13/6; he paid me £33.15.0. He is to have 50 more at 14/- each in a fortnight.
Rode to Deloraine to attend the great Road Meeting. Proceedings had com-
menced before I reached Deloraine, (they having waited 1/2 of an hour for
me to act as chairman,) & W. Weather was in the "Chair". - After
much confusion the Rev. Saml Martin's resolution, "that this meeting
declines to discuss that portion of the requisition for this meeting, which
has reference to the road from Ston to Draine," was carried by a ma-
jority of 6, - the numbers being 69 to 63, - W. Adye Douglas & I being
the Tellers. - W. Rooke then moved a vote of thanks to the chairman
and, W. Winter seconded it, "to cut the matter short" as W. R. said.
and so the meeting dispersed. I attended afterwards a meeting
of the Chudleigh Dist^l Trustees, W. Gardner & W. Twining being
present also. - Called at W. Williams' for half an hour, - also at
Dr. Brown's, who was not at home.

Meeting of Chudleigh
Dist^l Trustees.

March 30th

Deloraine
Races.
Said to let
in Falls Run.

First day of the first Deloraine Races. - which I neither subscribe
to, nor attend. - Rode with W. McKee over the upper part of the
Falls Run, near the old Sawpit, &c., with a view of establishing
some tenants upon it. - There are some 500 or 600 acres there, from
which I derive but little profit, which would, being me in, in
a year or two, £200 or £300 a year. - Rode along the new fence
erected by Stones, which is tolerably well executed. -

Mr Adams.

Mrs Sims's
misconduct.

31st. Drove the grey mare in the gig to Deloraine, to bring to be hunted Mr
Adams, a musical gentleman whom I met at Exatally some time since
and invited to visit me. He came to Deloraine by this morning's coach.
Mrs Sims was very insolent today to her mistress; and, when charged with
it by me, told several falsehoods, and flew into a violent passion she
is not a person to be trusted in matters of fact, if she is in matters of
substance. Dinted the tumult at length, though quite aware of the
lady's falsehoods and misconduct. The only excuse for her is that the
foreas arose concern^d Borchall's sleeping in a room of her cottage;
she being aware of her husband's former liaison with B's mother. -
Walked through some of the meadows with Mr Adams. - He is a very
amiable person, - suffering from symptoms of a lung affection generally,
at present from a deranged stomach, & weakness occasioned by dysentery.

April 1st
Quail.

Herrings.
W. Pearce.

Went out with Mr Adams, and shot 4 brace of the grey quail & 1 brown
quail; but bagging only 3 1/2 brace. - In the afternoon we rode (Pigeon &
Jesse) to the meadow below the Falls Run S. bound fence, - and I killed
11 herrings. - Wm Pearce, bullock-driver, wife, & furniture arrived yesterday

April 2nd. Walked with W.A. to look for quail in the Flat, and on Field's land near it, but found none. W. Gardner came from Washburn with a waggon & horses, bringing 1/2 ton of flour, 1 cask of cider, & some apples. The other day I let Thompson the job of scouring the S. ditch of Bee Padk at 1/2 a rod. He is to deepen the greater part of it 16 inches, - and the ditch is to be left 16 inches wide at the bottom & widening upwards at about the rate of 1 foot in two of depth.

W.R. Quail.
Waggon from Washburn.
J. D. Thompson ditching.

3rd Sunday. - Heavy rain. -
4th Rain. - cleaning oats for Washburn, &c. - waggon did not start. -

Waggon to Washburn.
The Falls.
Quails.
Ducks.

5th Started W. Gardner for Washburn with barrels of oats. -
6th Rode yesterday to the Falls with W.A. - Rode today to the Simsbury, - & left the horses there, - taking our guns and hunting up, with Rutland, for "oceans of quail" said by one of my friends to lie near the Simsbury. After much walking we found 3 quails, I shot 2. - We then crossed the main drain, Pigeon bagging deeply in it & not getting out for 10 minutes or so; - On the way homewards I shot 2 ducks which rose from the drain. - Rev. M. Williams came yesterday with Col. Cumberland. -

Col. Cumberland.
Piano-forte.

7th I commenced the other day learning to perform on the piano-forte, W. Adams kindly giving me able instruction. - He encourages me to proceed. - Rainy weather. - Busy in the house, putting down floorcloth &c.

Angling.
F. Edwards & mate
R. Williams.

8th Rode to the Meander with W.A.; & after much angling, killed 6 herrings. There was plenty in the river, but they were not disposed to rise. -

S. 200 sheep to W. Bransgrove.
C. W. Shepherd.
50 shewes.
J. Edwards hired.

9th Busy in the house. - Edwards & mate repairing blowing Marsh fence. -
10th Sunday. Rev. M. Williams here, in the evening. -

11th W. Bransgrove came & took away 100⁰ W. & 100⁰ E. - for which he paid £150 into the U.S. - W. Shepherd came and took 50 E. - for which he paid me £35 in notes. - He is to have 50 more on Monday fortnight at the same price. - John Edwards hired, as ploughman &c. on the instant, at the rate of £35 a year for . . . - Some away. -

J. Thompson discharged.
J. Edwards ditching.

12th Settled with discharged C. Thomsow. - Yesterday engaged to give John Edwards & mate £2.10.0 for some ditching in Barn Padk. - viz 12 rods of ditch about 1/2 f. 6 at top, 1/2 f. 6 at bot., & 1/2 f. 6 deep; & 40 rods of ditch average 1/2 f. 6 at top, 1/2 f. 6 at bot., & 1/2 f. 3 deep. - W. Adams rode to Delonaine with W. W. Rostee, intend^d to go on by "branch" to Carrick, or Stone tonight. -

The Bishop here.
Willie Sugars.

13th Chiefly busy in the house. Music &c. -
14th The Bishop, Mr. Synnott, Col. Cumberland came in the afternoon with Rev. M. Williams, and remained for 2 or 3 hours. The Bishop tells me that my Willie Sugars of Kent Day, especially, Blind Fiddler, & the Village Politician, are worth £10 each in England. I gave £2.10 for them in Robert Town. - Col. Cumberland seemed anxious to possess them

bay stockhorse, but cannot make up his mind about him. —

Traded part of the way to Deloraine with the party. —

15th - Took my gun, shot, one Rutland, in Bee Path 6 brace of brown quail. Making drawings of a new church for Deloraine.

16th Raining weather. — W. H. Hurtle here. Busy with church drawings.

17th Sunday. — [Sold a calf to Mrs Pearce for £1/10]

18th Today having been named for laying the first stone of the new church at Deloraine. I rode there, taking with me

Quail's
Design for new church at Deloraine.
Laying of first stone postponed.
The Bishop's

the design which I had made, consisting of a plan & W. elevⁿ of the church complete, & the same drawn & printed might now be created. The laying of the stone was postponed; nothing was

decided on as to the design. The Bishop, who was at the Parsonage, thought it better to finish a church at once, after the design by W. Matthews Hatfield, as shewn in Dublin Review for 1841-2. — I thought the other method the better way. — While Mr

G. James was there the Bishop censured the Sicut. Gov^r severely for his conduct with respect to Transportⁿ, the dismissal of Mr Chapman &c. & afterwards, at Lanchow, harshly rated the doings of the lay delegates in Robert Town, — and shone to set himself forth as the only right, judicious, and temperate, as well as the most insulted & wronged person in V. D. L. — He thought the Bishop's objection justified in his opposition to the Primate, and was of opinion that the separation of the High & Low Church parties in the Church of England is ~~not~~ very

desirable. — He says that he looks back upon the condition of this Colony with deep sorrow, & forward, without hope of better things, but rather with the fear of worse, — resulting from the democratic spirit which is growing here, and the ~~antipathy~~ antipathy of the bond to the free.

He condemns the Legislative Council for refusal to increase the salaries of the clergy on account of their being included under Schedule C of the Austⁿ Colⁿ Betⁿ Gov^t Act. — I promised Mr Williams that I would make a drawing for him of the church by Mr Hatfield, for him to shew with my drawings. — The proposed building, after either design will cost from £800 to £1200. —

19th Rode to look at the fattening steers, with a view to turn the poorer ones out, for feeding next year. — Went on to the quarries & sold saw-pit with Mr McKostie. —

Steers.
Quarries.
Loads of wheat carried.
Some's misconduct.

20th Today W. M. R. carried 6 loads of the wheat which has been so long lying in the field. — Rode out to catch some herrings, but rain came on, & I returned at once. — Some the Carpenter has been misbehaving himself lately, by going to Deloraine for several days at a time.

April 21st. - Drove Bounce in the tandem to Deloraine, and brought Mrs
 S. Brought Mrs Williams to Cheshunt. Mrs Williams, child, & servant to Cheshunt. - W Madden (a young Irish gentleman not long from Ireland) rode Mr W's horse up. -
 S. Taylor's sheep. 22nd Rev^d Mr W. went to Deloraine to marry a couple of Bramishes, cousins. W Madden rode with me to Taylor's yards, where I inspected his sheep, and directed him to draw out as many, up to 150, of those in the best condition, which are saleable. - He drew out 110 and sent them to the homestead by Jas Elmer. We then went on to W. & H. Hottles station, and back to Cheshunt after a luncheon of Johnny cakes. Mr W. returned to Cheshunt in the evening. Taylor's sheep generally very thin.
 S. 110 drawn out for sale.
 W. & H. Hottles station.
 W. & H. W. & H. returned from
 S. Sold 2 ton Butter. 23rd Drove Abd. with Mr W. & c. to Deloraine. Mr W. rode down in the morning, & W Madden walked. Sold 2 ton of butter to Mr Hayes of Deloraine at 2/- per lb. and offered him my tallow at the market price. Returned home. -
 S. offered tallow.
 S. 24th Sunday.
 S. 50 ewes to 25th Mr Shepherd came and took away 50 more ewes at 14/- each; for which he paid cash £35. - Mr Lane did not come, (his brother being very ill;) nor Mr Braungrove either. - Wrote to Mr Braungrove. W. Boxhall went to Deloraine; to go by coach tomorrow morning to Larnick to Washburn with his father: - gave him £2. -
 S. Mr Boxhall (£2) home.
 S. 26th Rainy weather. Busy in the house. music &c.
 S. Washburn's 27th Writing letters; - one to the Sect. Gen^l in reply to his answer to my communication respecting the Westbury Road Dist^{ct} & Devon D^o. - Took Rutland out in the afternoon & shot in Bee Park, 2 brace of quail over him. - Inspected Stag's ditching; - pretty well. -
 S. Respects.
 S. Quail.
 S. Projected bridge over 28th Reading Whately's Logie. Got W. Hottles' mare in from Logie Park with Porter & W. M. K. Rode to the E. Side to look for spans for bridge over the Meander. - Decided to construct a small-span bridge for the present. - Gave Esther Elmer £14 in full to May 17th next (except allow^{ce} for washing from Apr 10th at £5 a year.) Paid Harriet Elmer £8.14.0 - & Gave Miss Mackenzie £6. -
 S. Gave E. Elmer £14.0.0
 S. H. Elmer 8.14.0
 S. Miss Mackenzie 6.0.0
 S. 29th Settled with Stoners (B. & B. Bowdler, paying them £18.0.2 in notes. Sent 1065 lb. nett of butter to Hayes - Deloraine, - for which I hear he obtained at once, from John Thomas 2/3 per lb. - giving me 2/- per lb. Harriet & Esther Elmer went to Ston. - Elmer took them to Deloraine & brought back Boxhall. - My Brother writes that Jerry, who turns out to be only a "Probationer", wishes to be released from his engagement to come here; and says that he will leave (if he can immediately) he obtains his L. S. which he expects in five months. -
 S. Stoners & Bowdler left.
 S. Butter sold.
 S. Elmer to Ston.
 S. R. Jerry.

He will probably go to the Rev^d W. Starkhouse, whose servant Elsey has grossly misbehaved, & has been sent to Hobart Town.

Servy.
S. Sold 25 W. to
C. for 21.17.6
M. Rostie to Ston

April 30th Sold 25 Wethers to Jas^h Barr of Deloraine, who paid me £21.17.6 for them, & took them away. — W. Rostie went to Ston yesterday. — W. Wattle to Longford.

May 1st Sunday.

S. 50 ewes to
C. Shepherd
He paid £35
S. Stock to Mr
C. Leane.
Ewes to Braunsgrone
or C. Leane.
J. Stay ditching

2nd — Mr Shepherd came and took away, or rather drew out 50 ewes, to be taken to Deloraine tomorrow by Rhiney. He paid me £35 for them.

Mr Leane also came and bought 200 Wethers (formerly Porter's) at 17/6 each, 6 Steers at £12.12 a head, and 2 Heifers at £10 a head. He is to pay the amount into the W.B. and send me a Bank receipt by Wednesday post.

If Mr Braunsgrone does not want the 100 ewes promised to him, Mr Leane is to have them at 14/- a head. — The 200 W. are to be sent to Deloraine on Saturday, at Mr Leane's risk, — and he is to come for the cattle on Monday next.

Stay having finished on the W. side of Beech Park has undertaken a ditch in 'The Flat' at 9 a rods, to pare the sides and take ginses more out of the bottom leaving it about 3ft to 3ft 3in. at top & 1ft wide at bot^m.

Rode into the paddocks, looking at the cattle with Mr Leane. — Walked over the Flat with Stay, and rode to the Quarry Hill & Owen's Creek side, in an unsuccessful search for trees fit for paling-splitting with C. Wattle. Mr Leane asked if I wd sell some more butter, but I declined.

3rd — Mr W. Braunsgrone's son came, and brought a Bank receipt for £90, the price of 100 E. & 25 Wethers. — W. Wattle returned from Longford, bringing his black mare, having sold the bay mare which he purchased from me (Mr Sewing's) for £45.

Rode to the W. side of the Sugarloaf to look for paling trees, but found none. There are many posts & rails in the neighborhood of the hut in which Y. Porter lived.

4th — Young Braunsgrone took away the 100 E. & 25 W. — Mr Rostie returned. He could get no deal in Ston. — He paid the money for the butter £106.10 by mistake to the Woolmers Estate acct. It is to be transferred to the Leheshunt Estate acct.

5th — Writing letters to — Logic & Sartin. Took my gun in the afternoon & beat up Crowfoot meadow & adjoining land for quail in vain, with Rutland. W. & C. Wattle examined the "scrub" on Sawpit Hill, & found some trees fit for paling-split?

6th — Logic & Sartin. — Wrote to Rev^d S. Mantou & Mr J. Minster com^s West^h 3 Road tells. Both letters. — Mr Leane has paid into the W.B. Leheshunt Estate acct, £270.12.0, for 200 W. at 17/6 to be sent to Deloraine tomorrow & 6 Steers & 2 Heifers, to be taken away on the 9th or 10th inst. — W. & C. H brought their chattels from their station.

Paling trees.
Mr Leane's about
Butter
S. Braunsgrone
for sheep
W. Wattle's mare
& sold mare
Sugarloaf for
paling trees.
Mr Rostie back.
C. Price of Butter

Paling stuff
C. Mr Leane
£270.12.0

May 7th Elmer took McBane's 200 wethers to Draine today. - I gave him £15 on his own, $\frac{1}{2}$ £5 on J^r Elmer's ac. - There has been a dog among the sheep, in W^m Plains, & has killed 3 sheep. - Simis has finished the roof of the back verandah. Gave Lomer £5.

8th Sunday. - Mr. J. Leary came yesterday & took away 20 wethers, for which he paid £18.

9th McBane came & took away the 6 steers & 2 heifers purchased by him. W^m Shepherd came & marked 50 E. for being taken away on the 11th inst. and paid me £35 for them. - He marked also 50 more to be taken away on the 18th inst. -

10th Drove the grey mare to Deloraine, & changed at Mr Williams for the grey horse, which I drove into Stow, stopping awhile at Baxie's. He took me in very well, though awkward at starting. - Stopped at the Hornwall Hotel.

11th Transacted various matters of business, ordering sundry goods. Procured 12 immigrⁿ tickets for 1 Blacksmith, 1 Wheelwright, 1 Carpenter, & 9 Laborers - from the immigrⁿ agent Mr Sams. - paying him £45. - giving ~~a~~ promissory notes to the same amount, in payment for one half the passage money. - Started in the afternoon, from the badly managed hotel, & reached Wookhams at dusk. Mr Adams arrived from the main road at abt 8 o'clock, having come from Campbelltown in the coach. -

12th Drove Burton's mare in the gig, taking Mr Adams, to Rainfield where we inspected the new building; and thence to Panshanger. We examined the water tower, & ascended to the top, whence there is a fine view of the surrounding country. Mr Adams afterwards performed for a short time on the organ; and thought the instrument a good one of the kind, with a mellow rich tone. - Then to Washburn Rev^d Mr & Mrs Sturkhouse came. -

13th Started ^{with Mr Adams} for Cheshunt, but remained for the night at the Westbury Inn, on account of the rain. - Mr R. H. Davies told me that he & Mr Jones had had a misunderstanding, & he had applied for the police-clubship, at Post Swell, which he had obtained. -

14th Proceeded homewards. It rained heavily as we approached Deloraine and until we were near Archib's Bridge, after we had travelled over a very rough, rutty, slippery, semi-impassable road. At the bridge I waited for two teams of oxen drawing drays, heavily loaded with oats, to cross, in order to ascertain the state of the roadway, between the side of the bridge, from which the teams leave it, & the dry ground, thus

S. McBane's 200 W. to Draine. Sheep killed by a dog.

C. Lomer £5. S. 20 W. to P. Carr. pd £20.

S. McBane took away cattle. S. Shepherd 50 E. Paid £35. Marked 50 E.

to Deloraine. to Sammeston in the gig.

C. Immigration tickets.

S. to Wookhams. McCane to have 7 Heifers. Mr Adams to have 150 Wethers.

to Rainfield. to Panshanger. the organ.

With Mr Adams to Cheshunt.

Mr R. H. Davies. Westbury Inn.

to Cheshunt. Bad roads.

Mr Adams to have 7 Heifers at £9 a head. Mr Adams to have 150 Wethers at 1/6 a head.

List & description of
Dogs at Chestnut. - May 1853

Name	Sex	Age	Breed	Description	Cent.
Wolfe	Male	5	P. Wolf dog	White with sandy patches	4.0
		3	Pointer	Sandy yellow	
W. Foster	"	7½	Cattle dog	B. Star	4.0
		5	Do	R. yellow	
Y. Foster	"	2	Shepherd	B. Y. Y.	7.6
		3	Do	" "	
J. Tracy	Heim	4	Shepherd	B. Y. Y.	4.0
		3	Mongrel	Brindle	
W. Pearce	Male	4	Do	Do	4.0
		5	Jessier	B.	
John Lewis	Heim	4	Shepherd	B. - W. on face & feet	4.0
		2½	Do	B. - " face	
John Lewis	Male	2	Do	B. Y. Y.	4.0
		3	Do	" "	
Forwarded May 20 th 1853.					\$ 1.11.6
W. Randall	Male	-	Mongrel	Black Star	1.0
W. Lewis	"	3½	Shepherd	Do white	4.0
		-	Do	Do	
W. Lewis	"	-	Mongrel	Do Star	1.0
		1	Shepherd	Do white	
W. Lewis	"	2	"	Do, tan & Do	1.5.0
		5	"	Do & Do	
W. Lewis	Male	5	Mongrel	Reddish yellow (large)	1.5.0
		5	"	Black, tan & white (small)	
W. Lewis	"	1	Shepherd	Do white belly & chest.	7.6
		2	"	Do & white	
W. Lewis	Male	2	Mongrel	Do - curly hair (small)	7.6
		5	Shepherd	Black	
Total					\$ 1.19.6

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my money. - every week

being between the two a space covered with water. On came one team, & was brought through, nearly axle deep, safely; - the driver skipping through the mud & water. - Then came the other, & from quitting the bridge too soon was nearly overturned, the off wheel sinking into a hole. before the near wheel had left the bridge: however it got through. I then drove up; & as I was considering which would be the best plan of proceeding, Mulroy, a sturdy intelligent Irish farmer living near, saw me & shouted "Keep near to the fence": the fence being on my left. I waited however, he came down to the bridge, hopped into the water, & taking my horse by the head, led the gig through in safety, for which I gave him hearty thanks. He piloted us through some other bad places, & gave us directions for holes farther on. - Shortly afterwards we met Paddy coming with the grey mare & Jessy. Mr Adams mounted Jessy, and I drove on 'solus': and after a narrow escape from overturn (from not following Mulroy's directions,) and much shaking over holes, ruts, & stones, we reached home in safety; after travelling over the worst piece of roads that I ever attempted in a vehicle.

Mulroy

Home

15th Sunday

16th My Birthday. Thirty three years old. - Thank God for all his past mercies, utterly undeserved by me! - Mr Adams and I started, on horseback for the purpose of proceeding to Mr J. Field's property near Westbury, to see the performance of an undertaking quite unique in the way of cultivation, viz. the ploughing of 100 acres of land (grass land) in one day. - As I understood, a Mr O'Keefe had betted Mr Adams ^{Kingwell} that he would procure the ploughing of 100 acres in one day £50; & that Mr Tho' Field had a bet to the same amount, with his brother Mr Geo' Field. - There were about 103 teams of horses & oxen on the ground, & it was expected that the feat would be completed at 4 o'clock P.M., & A.M. has been the time of commencement. There were very few persons there. Mr O'Keefe attacked me in the refreshment room because I did not send down two teams, to help him, on the score that that he had exalted himself for my election. - I answered his charge satisfactorily; & also that I was too "close"; - that is illiberal, or stingy. I told him that I had debts to pay which absorbed all my ^{superfluous} income. - He then spoke of the favours done me in electing me. I told him, that if I exalted myself in the Council for the Public Good, & discharged my duties honestly that I conferred a favour on my constituents, &c. &c. - It resulted in his

Birthday

100 acres ploughed in one day

Conversation with O'Keefe

May 16th / cont^d giving me credit for my principles, and expressing concurrence together with all present, with my sentiments; and satisfactorily to me particularly with respect to his having said that I did ^{not} mingle sufficiently with my constituents, and my answer that "I thought it very hard upon me that I should not be permitted to spend the remainder of the year at home, after occupying three to five months of it with the business of the Council - in which I was the representative of the District, & not in the ploughed field, or on the public road, or in private houses."

— Mr Adams & I left Westfield at about 3 o'clock, & rode back to Deloraine, where we found Paddy, who had taken ^{part of} Mr Adams' luggage to the coach office, & had secured him an inside place for tomorrow morning. — I left ^{who is to go to Stone tomorrow,} Mr Adams at Mr Williams', & rode Jassy on Paddy led the grey mare; but, when I reached the gate near by-nell's Creek I found that I had forgotten to put two important letters in the post, & sent Paddy back on Bounce with them, taking the grey mare myself. — The river was high & strong; but I reached home in safety at about 2 past 7 o'clock, Paddy brought two gigwhips & a bridle, & harness from Poole's (Mealein's). — I sold my tallow to Hayes at 4 1/2 per lb. to be delivered at Deloraine. — Mr Wells asked me if I had working steers for sale I told him "yes; at £10 a head; which he thought too much; — though I hear that, at a sale, they usually fetch much more."

Mr Adams to
Lummenors

Articles from
Jassy
Sold to Hayes
Mr Adams' harness
steers

? Sale of
W. Wood's grant.
Income.

May 19th — If I were to sell the 2560 acres near the Falls and Meander River, (that is the grant to W. Wood) they would probably fetch £5000 or £6000. — My stock & income would then be about,

The Wool of 5500 sheep at 3 lb. ea. = 16500 lb. at 1/6 =	£1237.10.0
1400 " fat - Sold at 14/- ea. on an average =	980.0.0
50 cattle " " " £10.10.0 " " =	525.0.0
The Butter of 30 cows at 7/6 per lb. =	292.10.0
600 bushels of oats at 6/8 a bushel =	200.0.0
	£3235.0.0
Deduct expenses, say about (allow for 26 servants)	1035.0.0
	Nett Income. £2200.0.0

Walked, in the afternoon, ^{with Mr Adams} to the place where Mr Adams' cattle are erecting their hut, in which to live while splitting poles for me: it is nearly completed. — Logie, & Caesar.

18th — Wet weather. — Mr Braunsgraves son came to take away the sheep promised to his father, bringing a Bank receipt for £131.5.0 the price of 150.

19th — Young Braunsgrave took away 150 wethers as arranged. — Mr Douglas's waggons, which arrived last night (two), took away 206 bushels of oats.

20th — Made through a large portion of the E. half of the Falls Run. There is a large proportion of fine land there. I saw a large number of shingles which are (what Bristock calls) "The Same". — I met with thistles very similar

C. £131.5 from
W. Braunsgrave
S. 150 w. to W. Braunsgrave
O. 206 bushels of oats to
the Falls Run.
Thistles

Thistles.

to that kind usually known as the "Scotch Thistle", but differing in some respects, - upon a scrubby ferny hill on Field's land, near the bound & fence between him & me: there were probably 100 (plants)

May 20th Mooney.

Mr Douglas's waggons arrived bringing David Mooney & Wife, whom I have hired at £55 a year, & their two children, a girl & boy. They are also to be provisioned. Mrs Mooney is to wash, Mrs Sims being unable to do so, - & Mooney is to do any light jobbing about the place. - They have the two frontrooms in the same cottage with Sims.

May 21st Oats to Mr Douglas.

Mr Douglas's waggons left with the remainder of the 400 bushels of oats sold to Mr Douglas at 10/6 a bushel, delivered here. -

New dining room.

22nd Sunday. - Service in the Hall, having converted yesterday the lower spare bedroom into a dining room. -

502. to Shepherd.

23rd Mr Shepherd came and took away 502. for which he paid £35 into the Union Bank on the 11th inst. - Planned a foot bridge for crossing the river to the E. Side. - Rode through the paddocks with Mr McKostie, and arranged for shifting the fat stock.

Shifting fat stock.

24th John Elmer having apprised me that "Blackaby" had been seen on Thursday last driving about 70 sheep, branded on the offhip or thigh, through Deloraine, and that number of sheep with that brand having been missed from the West End.

Suspicion Blackaby has stolen sheep.

I wrote today to Mr. D. B. Sammeston, informing him of the matter. Stag finished his job of ~~the~~ scouring ~~of~~ the W. ditch of the flat yesterday, having been 16 days at work at it, at 9 a rod, - about 120 rods: - and I gave him the ditch cropping it to serve in the same way, at the same price. -

Stag.

Moved Steers.

25th The 24 fattening steers were moved this morning from Bee Park to the flat. Arranged work for the mechanics; & started with the grey mare in the gig for Sammeston at about 1/2 past 1 P.M. - Reached Westbury, & slept at Motton's for the night. -

Westbury.

Sammeaton.

26th Drove to Stow; & put up at the Stow Hotel; - not going to the Cornwall Hotel, on account of the mismanagement of the servants &c. - The accommodation at the Stow Hotel is not first rate; the bedroom assigned to me being only a large box with the lid at the side, & a hole at the other for light. Dined & spent the evening at Mrs. Marriott's, where I met Mr Adams, & Capt Marriott & Wife from India. Left Mr. being brother to Capt. - Purchased Music, 6 prs of warm socks, 1 pr of shooting boots, & some books on Music from Mr Adams, together with some knives with forks, in one bundle & 2 trawls knives. -

Articles from Mr Adams.

Westbury.

27th Transacted various commissions; - and left Stow at about 2 o'clock, reaching Westbury (Motton's) at about 1/2 past 5. -

May 28th

Called at Mr. Martin's to ask after Mr. Dumars, who is very dangerously ill. Met Mr. Pitcairn & Mr. Winter in the village, & talked over the Westbury Road matter; as to doubling the toll for the purpose of raising sufficient funds to complete the road &c. - Mr. Pitcairn's advice was to keep on patching the road with a few hands until there was more labour in the colony: - Mr. Winter said that if the money were raised at present, no good would be effected by it; though he thought the funds should be raised by a land rate, an acreage tax, rather than by a toll. - I signed a certificate to some deeds bearing down on the part of Mr. G. Sams. Drove homewards. Met Rev. S. Martin; and told him that we had been discussing the road question; & promised to write to him on the subject from Leishburn. On my arrival at Deloraine I found the river too high to ford at the usual place; and, crossing the bridge, put up my gig at Paol's, borrowed a saddle & bridle, & rode home. It was stated that Paol's hostler had seen a body of a man float under the bridge in the morning, with a blue coat on, frustean trousers, & a low-crowned black hat tied beneath the chin. -

Westbury.
Mr Pitcairn
Mr Winter.
Westbury Road.

Certificate
Mr G. Sams.

Left gig at Paol's.
Saw body in
the river.

29th Sunday. -

30th In accordance with a letter from Mr. Cane, enclosing a bank rec^t for £63 for 7 heifers sold to him, I sent them to Deloraine by Porter Mr. McKostie assist^d him; and I offered him 10 of the 24 steers fattening at £11.11.0 a head, to be taken away at once. - Mr. Sadies came and looked at the smaller steers, in Sams Padk, - I agreed to let him have 4 at £9 a head, after selecting 2 myself. - He is to come for them this week. - On Saturday I called at the Retreat Drawing, and signed certificates concerning Mr. Winter & Mr. Rooke similar to that for Mrs. Sams. -

C. £63 from
S. Mr Cane.
7 Heifers to him.
Offered Steers.
Mr Sadies

Certificate
Mr Winter
Mr Rooke

31st Shepherd came and took away 50 more ewes at 14/-; and paid £35. He is to have 58 more, at 15/-, in about a week. - These two lots were drawn from Taylor's flock with one sheep that has died. - Offered Cane through Shepherd 10 steers at £11.10; to be taken away at once. - Mr. Tho^s Field came yesterday; and rode with me over a portion of O'Farrell's flat, to look at the drains. He is to have permission to open a drain into my main drain, provided that he put up a new fence between my meadows and his land. - Walked through Bee Padk, and to the hill where W. C. & Co are splitting; but could not find them. Edwards & his "mate" were splitting posts higher up; - abt 1/2 a mile, or 3/4, from the log fence. -

S. 50 & 10 to
C. Shepherd
Re £35
S. Offered Steers to
Cane.
Mr Tho^s Field
Drains &
fence.

Splitting

2nd - Busy finishing letters which I commenced yesterday; one in

particulars to Revd S. Martin, concerning the imposition of a higher toll on the Westbury Road - a report of plans for making roads, &c. - also letter to W B Roake conc^g deals, &c. - yesterday I obtained from Messrs R. & N. Clayton 500 lb. of fine flour, - & 2000 of 20 lb. flour, in my own bags, the former at £26, & the latter at £24 a ton. - Also rec^d sundries from Corbett's & Campbell's. - Sent 2 casks of tallow to W Hayes, at 4 1/2 per lb. -

3rd - Mr Sadler came, and took away 6 steers, at £9 a head, with the assistance of W W Rostie & Porter. - He is to lease in the Union Bank the amount of a cheque for £54, which he gave me, when he transfers his account to the Bank of Australasia. - Rode to the sluice near the Seith's Creek, (Bright's Channel) and reduced the quantity of water running down it, by driving palings in below the sluice, to stop up the broken down side of the sluice works. - Went to the river, & determined to bring across the large spar to form a temporary foot bridge. - Received on the 1st a case of engross^g from Doak. -

4th - Settled with Stagg & let him go. - also with Vanderville yesterday, & discharged him. - Busy fitting new glasses to two or three frames. - Inspected the ditches scoured on the flat by Stagg, which will drain the ground well when Mr Tho^s Field makes a drain (if he should) across his land from below the flat. - The 24 steers are in the flat, and are not improving at all. -

5th Sunday. -

6th - Mr Shepherd came & took away 58 ewes, paying me, in notes, £43.10. - W Bance took away 8 steers at £11. - Vis to pay the amount into the Union Bk, & send me a receipt. -

7th - Mr Braunsgrone came and took away 150 wethers, for which he paid yesterday £131.5 into the U.S. bringing me a Bk rec^t. - He offered me £500 for 500 wethers, to be taken away half in 3 weeks, & the remainder in 6 weeks from today. - I told him I wd let him know. - I sent Mr Sadler's cheque to the Manager of the U.S.B. yesterday by W Bance. -

8th - Today I superintended the operations preparatory to moving the large spar, which had been cut for the purpose, across the river. W W Rostie Sims, W & C. H., & 2 men. - Completed the pier on this side of the river. -

9th - Building up higher the piers on the R. side. - Mr Jennings writes that Mr Sadler's cheque is correct. -

10th - At the Bridge. -

11th - Commenced raising the large spar on to the first pier. Raised it halfway, and desisted on acct of the bullocks drawing so irregularly. -

12th - Sunday, unable to reach the usual services. Influenza. -

Westbury Rd tolls &c.

F. Flour from Messrs Clayton to Hayes. June 3rd

S. 6 steers to Mr Sadler's C. His cheque. Sluice out of repairs. Foot bridge

J. Stagg left. Vanderville left. Ditches.

The 24 steers.

S. 58 ewes to Mr Shepherd. C. He pd £43.10.0 S. 8 steers to W Bance.

S. 150 wethers to Mr Braunsgrone. C. He pd £131.5.0 Offer for 500 wethers.

C. Mr Sadler's cheque.

Bridge

Mr Sadler's cheque.

June 13th A severe attack of Influenza which commenced ^{on} yesterday prevented my being present at the bridge. The spar was raised on to the piers ready for launching across the river.

Influenza.
Spar raised

12th Sunday. Unable to read the usual services - Influenza

14th Influenza. - Rainy weather. By means of what Sims calls a "Spanish windlass", they drew the spar 20 feet or so on its course.

Moved Spar onwards.

It was this windlass which enabled them to raise the spar on to the piers. - Heavy rain in the evening.

15th Influenza. Rain: the river too high for working at the bridge.

16th Rainy weather: the river too high to do anything at the bridge.

C. Some £11.

Gave Some £11. Influenza

17th Influenza.

Sims.

18th Pierce who went with Allen, taking a bullock cart for lime, last Monday only returned today, owing to the lime not having been burnt. - Influenza. - Battle of Waterloo. - Soaked over my ferns with the Battle of Waterloo.

19th Sunday. Influenza. Unable to read the usual services.

Arranged to move spar over.

20th Rode to the bridge site, and arranged with Sims & Wm Rostie to have a spar in the river for the end of the large spar to fall on when it drops, and to draw it on afterwards up to its place.

S. oranges.
50 w. to Shepherd.
H. p. £50

Obtained some oranges from Deloaine (from Stow). - W. Shepherd came and bought 96 wethers, all that could be drawn, fit for the butcher, from Town Hill flock, at 19/- a head. He paid me £50, & is to take 50 tomorrow. - Paid Bristock £15 in notes & cheque in full.

21st - Preparations were made today for completing the fixing of the spar, and it was drawn nearly half over the river by Sims's windlass.

The large spars

22nd I went to the bridge today, and superintended the operations. The spar was drawn forwards until it balanced, & then the bullocks were yoked on in an oblique direction upwards, & they drew it forwards until it overbalanced & ran quite across the bed of the river, fixing itself in the stones, a few feet above the foot of the large skid. - The windlass below the abutment was now mended & the end of the spar drawn up the skid until we were obliged by the weakness of the windlass posts to desist. I ordered fresh posts to be provided & fixed firmly.

Concluding operations

23rd - Having drawn the end of the spar within 5 feet of its proper height, I had it launched forward until the notch at the large end, on the other side of the river reached its place on the front upper log of the abutment pier; - the small end on the W. side resting on a temp³ pier which I had constructed for

the purpose. The spar was now moved away from the W. pier to allow of a fresh skid being placed beneath it; which being effected the large one was cut away. The windlass was again set in motion; and I secured the spar at the height attained at each full turn, by means of a strong rope secured to the end of the spar, & having two or three turns round one of the lower logs of the pier; - which rope was constantly tightened. - Very soon we had the satisfaction of seeing the spar mount to the top of the skid, which being raised allowed ~~the~~ it to move gently on to the pier; and it was then moved into the notch prepared for it. When it fell into this notch, only two inches deep, the whole spar vibrated exceedingly, & the piers trembled; but all was sound & secure. The men drank success to the bridge afterwards in some of my best sherry. - Reading Bancroft's ^{Review} American

New skids

Success.

Mr Rostie goes to get married. Another spar cut for bridge.

Seaweeds. Glanders to cook for Mr R. Mooney in kitchen; domestic arrangements.

24th Mr Rostie proceeded to Longford today to make arrangements for his marriage, which is to take place within a few days. - I rode to the E. side in the afternoon; and directed Edwards & Savett to fell a large tree, for another spar to complete the bridge ^{with} in the summer. There are some very fine spars, of about 10 to 15 inches diam. within a mile or less of the bridge. - I was busy in the forenoon studying the characters of seaweeds. - I have arranged that Glanders shall cook for Mr. Rostie, and that Mooney & his wife shall live in the kitchen; - Mooney is to cook, and to receive £10 additional wages, during the time that he does so, waiting at table with the assistance of Bonhall, at the same time. - Stewart goes out of the kitchen, & his meals with Glanders by day. The maid-servants take their meals in the kitchen. I trust that peace will reign among the servants now.

25th Busy at the seaweeds. - Did a little drawing in the afternoon. Arranged for the erection of a shed, comprising two "commodities" adjoining Mr Rostie's dwelling. - I agreed to give Stewart £45 for the coming year of his service: and that I would not press him to remain if anything should occur to make him uncomfortable, i.e. seriously so. - The Rev^d M. Williams was here yesterday; - and is to come tomorrow to perform service. On the 23^d I settled with Glanders to the 21st June; paying him in cash £13.13.4 in full to ^{that} date. -

H. Stewart's next year's wages.

C. Settled with Glanders.

Somer away.

26th Sunday. Unable to read in the forenoon. Rev^d M. Williams in the evening. 27th Directed Sims concern's work fixed on Saturday. - Somer still away since the 18th. - Inspected some of the paling split by W. & C. North. Arranged to go with tomorrow to look for fresh paling trees. -

June 28th Having received a letter from my Brother last night (dated June 24th) in which he informed me that Mr Jos^h Aubin was dangerously ill in Saunceston, I postponed my excursion, & sent Porter off early in the morning to the Post office. - Porter did not return until 2 o'clock, and then brought no letters. I decided to proceed to Saunceston and started at 3 o'clock on the black stockmare, reaching Westbury at a little after 6 o'clock. - On the way I saw Mr Riddle, on the coach and he told me that Mr Jos^h Aubin died early ^{in the} ~~on that~~ morning and was at the Bournwall Hotel. - Remained at Westbury for the night.

29th Rode to Saunceston. Stopped at the Lion Hotel. I found my Mother Mrs. Aubin, Mrs Wm Aubin & Mr. Aubin at the Bournwall. The body was placed in the coffin. I saw it shortly before: the face was not much changed in expression. - I met Mr Adams, who had started in a sailing ^{republic} ~~brig~~ for Sydney, which had put back after being lost (so he says) for nearly a fortnight. - He is to go in the Yarra to Melbourne. - Mr McKestie & bride are at Deloraine - to Chestnut tomorrow.

30th Japs & Wm Aubin came to Stow. - Mr Adams was consulted concerning the Will of my late Uncle. I dined with him afterwards. - In the afternoon I hired a waterman to take me to the Cataract. The scenery, consisting of huge rocks, towering up into vast walls on each side of the river, fringed and enlivened with trees and shrubs, - huge rocks half toppling forwards, - deep & rugged ravines, - and, skirting the E. side, about 20 to 40 feet above the stream, the aqueduct of the Cataract Mills; - the scenery was grand, and ~~interesting~~ romantic. We rowed close to the rapids, into a little quiet nook, from which we could see the course of the stream as it descended to them. As we returned I had a confined view of the low land, called the Swamp, - and the trees beyond, and the distant mountains. - I astonished the waterman by taking his sculls, and giving his boat a "spit" which, he said, the "amateur rowers" would be puzzled to beat. He charged me 4/-, which I considered so moderate that I exceeded it in paying him. Spent the evening at the Bournwall with Japs & Wm.

July 1st Today being appointed for the funeral of my late Uncle, the hearse started from the Bournwall at 9 o'clock, preceded by the Mayor, Valderman, and a large number of the most respectable inhabitants as far as the town boundaries, when they returned, after dividing on each side of the street to let the hearse, & the two carriages (containing Mr & Mrs. P. A. in one, Japs & myself in the other) which followed it. - I rode on from the Sandhill, one

Mr Jos^h Aubin
dies & ill.

His death.

Saunceston.

Madams.

Mr McKestie
married.

The Cataract
scenery.

Mr Jos^h Aubin's
funeral.

Dogs at Cheshunt. Registered May 12th 1851

Owner	No.	Sex	Age	Breed	Description	Amount of duty.
W. G. G.	1	Male	3	Pyrenees ^{dog}	White with sandy patches.	1.0.0
	1	"	2	Sheepdog	Black long haired with white marks	
	1	"	1	Pointer	Sandy yellow	
H. Symons	1	Female	1	Do	Do	4.0
	1	"	aged	Spaniel	White with black patches	
W. Porter	1	"	2	Mongrel	Black long haired small	7.6
	1	"	5 1/2	Little dog	Reddish yellow	
	1	Male	5 1/2	Do	Black tan muzzle & feet	
Brighton	1	"	3	Mongrel	Reddish yellow large	1.5.0
	1	Female	aged	Sheepdog	Black short haired	
	1	"	3	Do	Do - long - Do	
H. H. Shaw	1	"	2	Do	Do & white	1.0.0
	1	Male	3	Mongrel	Reddish yellow large	
	1	"	aged	Do	Black & tan & white small	
J. Porter	1	"	2 1/2	Sheepdog	Reddish yellow & white	1.0.0
	1	"	4	Do	Black - tan muzzle & feet	
	1	"	3	Do	Do & white whitening neck	
R. Wignall	1	Female	2 1/2	Do	Do - white muzzle & feet	7.6
	1	Male	3	Mongrel	Yellowish brindle	
	1	Male	aged	Sheepdog	Black - long haired	
J. Edwards	1	"	3 1/2	Do	Do - Do	1.0.0
	1	"	1 1/2	Do	Do - white & tan marks	
	1	Female	aged	Do	Do - white on face & chest	
W. Harrison	1	"	4	Do	Do & tan & white	4.0
	1	"	1	Do	Do & white neck	
	1	Male	1/2	Do	Do & Do	
P. Moran	1	Male	3 1/2	Do	Black - short haired	4.0
	1	Female	2	Do	Do - tan feet & legs	
F. Taylor	1	Male	3	Do	Do - long haired - white on face	4.0
	1	"	1/2	Do	Do - white marks	
	1	Male	1 1/2	Do	Do & white neck (best of legs)	
F. Taylor	1	"	1 1/2	Do	Do & Ditto	7.6
	1	Female	1 1/2	Do	Do & Ditto	
						6.0.6

Met Messrs Powlett & Swinney two C. R. D. V.

The
funerals.

of Mr Gleadon's sons having kindly taken my horse on, to enable me to be in the carriage as it followed the hearse out of the town, - and reached Washburn at a little after 12 o'clock. - Mrs G.W.'s carriage conveyed R.D. Kemade, F.L.A. myself to Longford & Mr Starkhouse also. My mother went in it to Kilgou's ^{to remain there} during the funeral. - There was a large muster of respectable people including Messrs Dry, Chapman, Gleadon, Denty, Weston, Walker, Cox, &c. &c. -

There appeared to be a sincere feeling of sorrow at the mournful event which had occurred, on the part of the most estimable persons present. But while the deceased Member for Longford was being borne to the grave, candidates for his seat in Council were already in the field, canvassing the electoral districts for their votes at the election of a new member. I was told that Mr Brewer the Barrister intended to start on the High Church interest; & Mr Weston for the Low Church. -

In the evening Philip Smith and I argued ^{at Washburn} the question of State support to religion, agreeing tolerably in our premises conclusion, though differing in our premises. - I afterwards drove him to meet the coach.

R.D.K., Joe, & I, ~~to~~ talked over the question of investing the £2000, given up by R.D.K. to Joe & myself, in favour of Kilgou: I am to write to him that we shall pay him a sum equal to the interest from 16th April last, but not as the intt, until we are prepared to invest the amount, together with Mr K's £2000. - Joe would not decide as to the particulars of the division of our ^{now joint} properties, until he was aware of his position as regarded Parshanger.

Washburn.
State support
to religion.

£2000 to
Kilgou

Division of
properties.

July 2nd - My Mother & R.D.K. started early to meet the Robert Town coach, to take them to the Mona Vale turn-off. I started at 9 o'clock, and rode to Cheshunt, having baited at Motton. Mr Rooke is to purchase some wheat for me at 6/s a bushel. -

Cheshunt.
Wheat.

3rd Sunday. Read the morning service, as usual. -

4th Rain. - Busy ^{preparing for} hanging bells &c. -

5th Hanging bells. -

6th Ditto, - Ditto. - Met Messrs Powlett & Hoaming two C. R. D. Trustees, and advised them as to sundry matters connected with the works on the road, which are being carried on in a very satisfactory manner. -

Road
meeting.

7th Sent my carpet-bag on a horse to Deloraine. - and rode thence myself, leaving directions to forward my portmanteau as soon as possible. Stopped at Pool's, for the night. -

Deloraine.

8th By coach to Lanneston. - At the Lanneston Hotel. Transacted various commercial business. Took luncheon with Mr W. Arthur; & met his brother Charles, who

Lanneston.
W. Arthur

has stationed himself in Lanneston in partnership with a Mr Turnbull, as Commission Agent &c.

July 9th
to Hobart Town
Broadland House party

By coach to Hobart Town, in company with the Chief Justice, and the Attorney General, with the bulk of the Supreme Court Mr Watkins. - Arrived safely at Broadland House, and was duly installed in the room appropriated to our party, consisting of Messrs Cox, Gleadon, R. 2. Kermode, & myself; ~~the~~ the others not having arrived.

Council work begins.
Adjournment.

10th to church in the morning at St John's Goulburn St, and in the evening at the Cathedral.
11th Mr Gleadon, & R. 2. Kermode with my Mother arrived today: My Mother having come for the purpose of having her teeth attended to.

12th Mr Cox arrived. - Council work commenced.
27th From the 12th instant to this date the usual routine of Council duties &c. - It being the general wish that an adjournment of the Council for 3 weeks should take place, for the purpose of giving time to the Govt Printer to prepare all printed documents required, I took leave for myself & Mr Gleadon by Ford's coach to Stow tomorrow. The Council will proceed with a little formal business tomorrow, & then adjourn to the 16th August next. - Bought a handsome electro-plated cruet stand complete as a wedding present for J. Sytlington, who is to be married on Saturday next to Miss Emily Fenton, a relative of the Member of Council Capt. Fenton.

Mr Sytlington's marriage.

to Lanneston, 28th

By coach to Stow with Mr Gleadon & daughter, & Mr Rigg. Wesleyan Minister of Westbury. - Stayed at Mr G's. Miss Gleadon has been attacked with scarlet fever, which she has probably caught from the children suffering from it at Mr Pittman's, where she has been staying.

"Natives" demonstration to Deloraine.

29th Allowed my name to be inserted among those of the "Natives" who call for a demonstration on the 30th of August in honour of the cessation of transport to this colony. - Started by the Deloraine coach and reached Poole's Inn at about 1/2 past 7 P.M., where I stayed the night.

to Bushmunt.

30th Since my wheelwright brought my gig at about 1/2 past 11 this morning and I reached home at 1/2 past 2; - thankful at having been permitted to do so in safety, - and at finding all at home well.

August 1st
of flour purchased
butter sold
Edward's note dish

31st Read a service as usual in the morning. Rev M. Williams in the evening.
1st - Mr McKostic tells me that he has purchased from John Thomas 1 ton of fine flour & bags for £23, - and 5 tons 80 & 80 at £21 a ton. He has sold lb. of butter to Mr Hayes at 2/3, & has delivered it. He has discharged Josh Edwards's mate, Lovett.

Barn Padk

2nd - Busy designing a vertical saw-mill to be worked by water. - Walked through Barn Padk. McKostic has made a great clearance of timber; and

there are about 20 acres ploughed. The soil is far better than I thought it was; the greater portion being a rich sandy loam, - dark on the low ground, and of a lighter colour on the rises. Mr Rostie expects to have about 100 acres of oats & hay next harvest.

Cultivation
1853.

Aug 3rd Busy in the house. In walking through the paddocks in the afternoon I found them very wet; owing, I imagined, to the water running in too great a body down the long & Chant from Leith's Creek, - the sides of the sluice having fallen in. - This must be seen to. Told Mr Rostie.

Sluice at
mouth of
Chant into
Leith's
Creek.

4th Rainy weather. Reading Whately on Gallaries - & arranging drawings of orchids for sending to England. -

Orchid
drawings.

Palings
W. & G. H.

Bridge piers.

Eriochilus
autumnalis.

New woolhouse.

Bricks & bats.

Meeting of
Chudleigh
Trustees.

Westbury.

Samnerston.

Jubilee.

5th Busy chiefly as yesterday. - Inspected some palings split by W. & G. H., at the ground near the Sugar-loaf. - Preparing orchid drawings for England.

6th Walked to the Meander, to look at the bridge site, and see if the piers stood well. All appeared firm. - Gathered specimens of *Eriochilus autumnalis*.

7th Sunday. - Read in the morning & evening. -

8th Finished fixing drawings on the 6th. - Today I drew the *Eriochilus autumnalis* leaf & bulbs - and examined other drawings of the orchids, together with specimens of the same. - Fixed upon a site for the new woolhouse and shearing shed. - Found that most of the remains of bricks & brickbats have been fattened away by the rain & frost; so that I shall not get what would be equal to 2000 bricks from the remains of the kilns, I fear.

9th Sent Portu with a communication to the Trustees of the Chudleigh Road Dirt who are to meet today at the Redgate, at Bennett's: By mistake I omitted the note which was to accompany it. -

10th Having ridden the stockware to Westbury yesterday afternoon I started from Motton's this morning, & reached Stou at a little after 11 o'clock. - I took luncheon, with a party, at the Youngs' banqueting Room, and attended on the Church Green at the delivery of the "oration", which was one of Mr Dry's ordinary addresses, not pretend^d to the name of an oration, as he himself said. I then took my place in the procession with the other northern members, includ^g W Alex^r Clarke (elected without oppⁿ the day before) - and in the evening took the vice-chair at the Native Youths' dinner, at which I responded to the toast of the "Duke of Newcastle & Her Majesty's Ministers" - Proposed, also, "the Agricultural & Commercial Interests of Yarnemania", and Mr Dry, "Our Chairman". - Slept at the Stou Hotel. - The whole of the day's proceedings were most satisfactory, - not a dissentient appearing during the whole day. - All was order & unanimity. -

1853.

Augt 11th. - Rode to Cheshunt: having stopped for a short time at
 W². Martin's on the way up. -
 12th. - Rainy weather. Busy in the house with my drawings of
 Orchids, prepar^d them for being forwarded to England. -
 13th. - Yesterday I had to send Mooney out of the Dining Room
 for impertinence to me, because I told him that the dish
 covers must be kept clean. - He afterwards refused to come
 to me in the Dining Room, and to speak to me in the
 presence of W² Kosti. - I was half-inclined to prosecute
 him; but went to him, and discharged him (consenting)
 from my service, - to leave on Monday morning. Mrs
 Mooney was very angry because I called her husband
 an "impertinent scoundrel"! - Directed Sims as to prepar^d
 timbers for a new wool shed. -
 Completing drawings of Orchids, as far as possible. - W.A.
 Home came to borrow a timber carriage, which I could
 not lend him. - Writing letters, & making up accounts. -

New Woolhouse
 W.A. Home

14th. Sunday.

Discharged Mooney & wife; and sent them to Deloraine in
 the spring cart, - Pearce taking their chattels in a bullock cart.
 I rode to Deloraine, leaving the mare to be taken back by Paddy
 who drove the spring cart down, - and walked on to Westbury,
 my carpet-bag to be brought after me in the morning. - Met
 W. & C. Hottle at Westbury, returning to Cheshunt. - Slept at Mother's
 16th. By coach to Carrick, where I was met by Boxhall with a gig,
 and was driven, over a very bad road, to Woolmers. - Met W²
 Weston at dinner, and talked over political questions. - My Brother
 was busy marking lambs all day. - Talked over division of properties.
 17th. By coach to Robert Town. -

Dick & Mooney
 wife.
 Walked to Westbury
 from Draine.
 Woolmers.
 W. Weston.
 Lamb-mark^s

Oct^r 5th -
Jud. Session

Woolmers.
Division of
Estates.

Lawnton.
Articles from
6th of
Lands.

Deloraine.

W. Barber
of Pt. Sorell.

W. Bramish,
"right of road"
of Browne
very ill!

W. Mulligan

Right of road
through balstock.

The conclusion of the Session being appointed for today, I started in company with my Mother, R. 2. Kemade, & M. Gleadow, by Page's coach, homewards. My Mother & R. 2. K. left us at Lumbidge, and I "deviated" at Boomey's Corner, for Woolmers, by Boxhall Regis. Having obtained from the Attorney General an opinion as to the legality of immediately effecting a division of the Estates of Washburn Chestnut & Yainfield, between ~~of~~ J. A. myself & Y. C. A. according to the Will of my late Father, my Mother & I read it over, and discussed some of the points of difficulty & interest. We thought it desirable that the division should take effect on the 1st Jan^r 1854. J. A. drove me into Ston this morning. I arranged about my boxes & boots, books, and prep being sent to Chestnut; - the water-rain, gutter pipe & tubing &c. to be stored for me, by Mr. Crookes, & for the present started at 3 o'clock P.M. by the Deloraine coach, and reached Poole's Inn, Deloraine, at about 7 o'clock, the road being in a very bad state in places. - Met Mr. Barber, of Port Sorell, at Poole's, and told him that a plan of the Devon Rd Distt had been completed, and was to be forwarded in a day or two to Deloraine; Sient. Wetherhall also there. We chatted about politics; - both condemn^d the Sient Gov^r, - but Mr. Barber excusing Mr. Clarke's conduct in oppos^s the popular party, in a general manner. I called on Mr. Bramish Sen^r and told Mr. B. (he being out) about the "right of road" through balstock. - Saw poor Dr. Browne also, who is seriously ill, and advised him to try at once a change of air, and if possible a voyage. Told Mr. Mulligan, his brother-in-law that I had not paid him £7.10 for the 500 acres of land applied for him, and that I wd send him a cheque for the amount. - Chas. Wottle brought the stockman Flora (as they call her), and we started homewards. - We came by way of the Falls owing to Wrayton having locked the gates on the road leading through balstock. - I had satisfied myself that there was good evidence of the fact that this road had been in use by the public for more than 20 years, and had obtained the Attorney General's opinion upon the course necessary to be pursued in aperting the right to use it, while I was in H. Town; and I was determined to make my way through to-day. - As we rode across the Township flat, we met one of Mr. Field's stockkeepers returning, & stating that he could not get through, owing to the farthest gate being locked, & Mr. Bramish having the key. - I told him to come with me; and we reached the first locked gate. I now sent Chas. Wottle to see Wrayton & to tell him that I intended to pass through, &c; and

Mr Aytton,
and the
locked gates.

Return
home!

Grubs in
Bull Park.

Table-moving
experiments.

requesting that he would remove the obstruction in a peaceable manner, so that it would be unnecessary for us to use force. Mr A. was in the fields, and a servant went to find him; - but he was so long in coming that we lifted the gate off its hinges, and went through, leaving the gate wide open. In passing down the lane by his paddocks, we saw him at the far end of one, but were not hailed by him. - The next gate was not locked, & we took care to hook it after us. The furthest gate was lifted off its hinges, and left closed, leaning against the posts. - On reaching home I was thankful to our merciful God for having restored me in health & safety to my family, who were enjoying the same blessings from His bounteous hand; blessings, ^{the latter of} which ~~is~~ a hundredfold enhanced in a country like this; in which criminals of the vilest & most dangerous character are let loose upon society unwarmed, ^{of their evil dispositions,} and unprotected against their outrages, by any effective system of police. Walked through the Bull Park, and found a large portion of the grass destroyed by a species of grub, upon the drier parts of the ground. - The grass generally is now springing fast. - In the evening I tried some experiments with reference to table-moving, which confirmed me in the impression which I had previously formed as to the nature of the influence. Miss Mackenzie, C. Hottle, & myself were the operators. We did not join ^{our} hands, which were apart from the hands of each other about one foot, - and were successful in raising the sides of the table in the usual manner; also in turning the table round. We then placed the palms on the table, the thumbs under the edge, & thus raised it entirely from the floor: - then we placed our entire hands on the table and "willed" that the table should rise; when our hands rose irregularly from the surface. - I then threw a light cloth over the table, which was a polished one, - and we willed that the table should turn round: the cloth shortly was moved in front of one person, then in front of another, & lastly all our hands evidently moved with the cloth, round the table, which remained perfectly still, as might have been expected. - Being satisfied that the same experiments might be extended to any kind of muscular exertion, C. H. & I took the two ends of a piece of twine, & willed that it should be broken; in about 5 minutes, or less, it took place. We then stood opposite to one ^{of the} walls of the room, & willed that we should approach it; after about 5 minutes my left leg began to feel restless, my weight was thrown on the right leg, and the left slid forward; but, as I did not seem inclined to fix itself on the ground, I was obliged

to exert a direct volition to prevent myself from falling.

October 8th
Essay on
Table-moving

I commenced today a short essay on ~~the~~ "table-moving"; to be read at the next meeting of the Royal Society, - in which I state my opinion that the effect is quite in accordance with recognised natural laws, mystification taking place on account of the will being exerted with respect to two antagonistic operations, - for example 1st that the operator should remain quiescent; 2nd that the table should move, (that is be moved). The idea of quiescence being the stronger at first, no movement takes place, - but by dint of "giving the mind" to the effectuation of the movement, that idea becomes the stronger, & influences the will so dominantly as to cause the necessary movement of the muscles to effect the object in view.

9th Sunday.

10th Rain! Unable to send to the post. - Making up my journal, and examining specimens of orchids. - Decided to continue the dairy on a large scale, if milkmen likely to remain could be hired. - Crow was hired the other day for 15 months at £40 a year, to milk, & attend to the calves, &c. (not to work at ordinary farm work,) but there appears to be some difficulty in the matter, owing to W McRostie having hired Whitbread for 6 months at the rate of £45, and promised him the said work. I arranged that Glandus should receive the allowance of butter & milk for Keane, Sims, & Steuart, to prevent the quarrelling which invariably takes place between them & Mrs Elmy. - Went to the White-gate Park, and marked out the position of the new woolhouse, with W McRostie & Sims. - Gang. Borball 8/- on aff. - W Shepherd has paid into the Union Bank £81 for 60 wethers sold to him on the 12th Sept., and £54 for 40 wethers sold to him on the 29th Sept.

The Dairy.
Crow.

Whitbread

allow us of
butter & milk.

New woolhouse.
Borball 8/-

W Shepherd

Wrayton's
gates.

11th Walked to the stone quarry, & home through Goffence Park & Barn Park, hoping to find a few snipes, but found none.

12th Looking over dried plants, &c. - Wrote to Wrayton about his gates.

13th Sent a cart to Delonaine through Calstock, the gates being open. Rode down myself, and saw Wrayton; who, after some conversation, said that his only desire was to have his gates shut, not to stop the thoroughfare; that he would remove the locks from the gates. I advised him to erect a brush fence on each side of the road for 50 or 100 yards from the gate entering Pannier Stone Marsh from the Stocker's Plain direction, which he said that he would do. Repaid W Mulligan the £7.10 which he left with me in Hobart Town to pay into the Treasury.

C. £4 to Yanny Elmer.
£11.10 from Mr Poole.
Wayton's proposed road.

for land rented from the Browns. - have Yanny Elmer £4. - Borrowed £11.10 from Poole. - Sent home my carpet-bags & plaid; the boxes had not arrived from Hobart Town. On the way back I rode with Wayton along a track which he told me would make a good road; but, on following it out on the outside of his fence, I found it was quite impracticable, owing to boggy & wet ground, which it would be necessary to cross.

Oct → Meetings of Yuppies at Red Gate.

14th Busy at home. - Elmer to Deloraine. - Attended at ^{Benjamin's} ~~meeting~~ for meeting of Trustees, but no meeting took place, owing to mismanagement. ^{Benjamin's} Directing Jims as to new wood house. -
15th Ditto.
16th Sunday. - Rev^d M. Williams was to have come in the evening but did not. -

To the bridge on gr. farm.

17th Sent to Deloraine, & received the remaining boxes from Hobart Town, Elmer having brought one on Saturday. - Drove the tandem-cart with Snip to the bridge, taking ad. & M., & the children. -

Letter conveyed to Mr W's wife. Dick & Brown

18th Busy writing letters, one of which was to W.E. Martin, concerning the completion of the Westbury Road. - Walked to the W. side of Mt Plain, and searched the moorches for snipe unsuccessfully. Discharge Brown, who has been grumbling & complaining of his knee when it suited his plans, for the last week. -

My letter to Stow 3 money to Planet. Dick & O'Brien. Off of Will.

19th W.W. Rostie went to Stow this morning. - Sent Porter & J. Edwards, to go to Kinkit, Mr J. Wilmore's, with Kit, Softy, & Bligh, to be put in his horse "Planet". - Discharged Jim^d O'Brien, unfit for work, from "bes ven tis". -

John Edwards left.

20th Busy at home writing a rough draft of my Will. -
21st Ditto, and other business. -
22. W.W. Rostie returned today. - Porter did not come back, and I find that John Edwards was paid his wages before leaving here, so that he will not come back. -

To drive carriage into town.

23rd Sunday. W. Williams came in the evening. -
24th I had intended to take the whole of the "Break" which runs from Deloraine into Stow every ~~day~~ afternoon, leaving town in the morning; but I have determined to drive my little carriage in with Bounce, which proceeding will cost me £10 or £12 less. - Two hut-keepers one formerly with Porter have been hired at £15 & £16. - W.W. Rostie gave me £40 of his to place to his credit for farm payments; so that the estate will owe him that amount. - Tomorrow, if all be well, we are all to leave Cheshunt for Sarumston, (stopping at Garrick probably for the night) en route (as they say) for George Town. -

Two hut-keepers hired. Rec £40 from W.W. Rostie. To leave home tomorrow.

Oct 25th - Drove Bonnie in the carriage to Lunenburg, taking A. A. Miss Mackenzie & the bairns; - and Fanny Elmer went by coach with her father, who is to take Bonnie back to Chesnut.

26th In Ston

27th Ditto. Elmer left with Bonnie for Chesnut.

28th By Steamer "Lady Bird" to George Town. W Stewart came on board, and took us our baggage on shore.

George Town.

Orchids.

Sea-weeds.

5 mile Bluff.

Cray fish.

During our sojourn at George Town I collected some fine Orchideous plants, some of which were new to me, viz. 3 sps of *Macdonaldia*, and a *Baladenia* which I found on the hill above the Rev^d W Garrett's at Whirlpool Reach; together with one or two sps of *Uelymitra*, and a singular orchid with the flowers shrouded in large bracts, but they were so much eaten by insects as to render the determination even of the genus impossible. My wife & I also made a tolerably good collection of sea-weeds; but obtained very few shells. - I hired a boat of W Wyrons, who lives at George Town; - and found it convenient, though I did not use it much. - The Rev^d W Keriday went one or two excursions with me; one of which to 5-mile Bluff, occupied 2 days and kept us there for the night. We caught in his seine 22 doz. mullet the first evening. - I found no new plants there. - 2 lobsters or rather crayfish were caught also: - they must differ surely from the English crayfish, which inhabits fresh water. -

To Nov 24th from the English Crayfish, which inhabits fresh water. -
Miss Mackenzie
Half to Ston.

25th By the Steamer "Pirate"; with Miss Mackenzie, to Lunenburg. -

26th By coach to Bertha; where I met Capt. Hamilton, Capt. Cheyne, & Mr. Cleghorn; and inspected & reported on the state of Bertha Bridges, with them, to the Gov^t. Returned to Lunenburg.

Bridges at Bertha.

George Town. 27th By "Lady Bird" (pleasure trip) to George Town. -

To Dec 5th

York Town.

Ligonia.

Sea-weeds.

York Town
Sete.

At George Town. - During this latter period I visited York Town in company with W Keriday, and directed old Barnett as to the repair of the grave enclosure of my Mother's father James North, of the N. S. W. corps. - We dredged for *Ligonia margaritacea*, but found only one young spec. - I obtained some fine sea-weeds near the entrance of the arm of the river leading to York Town. As to the site of York Town for a village even it is most ineligible, - being at the end of an arm of the river the navigation of which is very difficult, owing to the narrowness of the channel, and the extensive mud-banks; and the land adjoining the settlement is of a

barren nature. The favourable considerations are a mild climate, and good water, and these are all. There are two or three families living there, whose chief employment is fishing and gardening, the sheltered situation being favourable to both pursuits.

Dec^r 5th / contin. / We all, with bag & baggage, left George Town this day, and were conveyed by the "Pirate" to Lameston, where we found the Cornwall Hotel full of guests, and obtained rooms at the Victoria by Sam^l Kentrell.

6th Shopping. - Elmer arrived with "Bounce". - Ordered Job^o at Dubro.

7th Drove my carriage to Perth, and stopped at the Parsonage. Killed 13 herrings in the evening near the site of Dunning's Mill, with a rod & tackle lent to me by Hyde the hairdresser of Lameston.

8th Drove to Washburn to see my brother, taking A. B. & Lucy & Lily. Found him within a day of finishing "shearing".

9th I had a long walk, in vain, yesterday afternoon to find Glen Dickey, Capt. Mackenzie's house, owing to want of a proper direction. - This morning afternoon we left Perth, & drove to Westbury, Miss Mackenzie having joined us. - At Syalls.

10th Drove home in safety, thank God! - Found the garden looking very well, and abundance of pasture everywhere. C. H. met us at Deloraine and rode up with us.

11th Sunday. - Read the Morning Prayer & sermon as usual.

12th Directed Sims as to the completion of the new woolhouses - and Edwards & Jackson as to the yards. - I find that W. W. sold in my absence, in accordance with my directions, to W. W. Braungrove, 10 steers at £14 ea., 9 at £12.10 ea. & 2 oxen at £20 ea.; also to Shepherd of Deloraine, 100 wethers at £1.7 ea. - and 50 more not yet removed. - Braungrove has paid for the cattle with the exception of £25, and Shepherd has paid for the sheep.

13th The cows in Marsh Meadow are looking pretty well, & the yearling steers & heifers very well indeed (in Tent Pad^o). - Moving the papers &c. in my "growler", I found that a ragabond mouse had made an entry, and left memoranda throughout my book papers, boxes, &c. He had devoured portions (which he had also apparently digested) of my papers. - So I commenced a thorough turn out, and blocked up the crack between the lower edge of the shutters and the floor, caused by the shrinking of the not thoroughly seasoned joists.

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Dec 14th

On Monday I sent Bloom with Bounce & cart to Washburn to bring up some cider, ^{from there} and "Kit" from Mr Wilmore's - Belbin went also to see my Brother about employment. - John Edwards was likewise sent, to help Marshall up with sheep. - Busy in my room. - Caught 38 herrings near ^{the} the ford, at the Meander. - Yesterday Elmer drove the Bull "Nappton" (~~that~~ I have sold to W. S. B. Bartley ^{for £10}) to Deloraine, & had Jessy shod. -

Bloom to Washburns.
John Edwards.
Herrings.
The Bull Nappton sold.

Peace to Deloraine.
Bloom ret.
Belbin.
Porter's 35 more sheep short.
Expenses of carriage of pipes.

Death of Wm Porter.

15th Sent Pearce to Deloraine for sundries. Bloom returned, & Belbin came with him (bringing a horse cart,) with the cider, (2 casks,) and the remainder of my luggage, and some parcels from Ston. - W. M. Rostie tells me that J. Porter is 35 more sheep short of his proper number. - I find that I had to pay £8, for the carriage of iron pipes & cases from Ston to Symon's the Carrier. - Mr Brooke was to have stored them for me; - A man's blunders are as expensive as ~~soon~~ his judicious acts; - especially in these days. -

When I left home for George town my stock keeper Wm Porter, who had lived here for some 16 years, had not returned home and I made enquiries after him at Deloraine on my way down, but could hear nothing of him. A week afterwards the horse which he had with him was found among the shrubs by the side of the Meander, not far from the gate of Permian stone flat, standing in shallow water, miserably thin, with the saddle, but not the bridle, on: the bridle was found near him; and the place where he entered the river was afterwards discovered. There was a low branch of a tree under which he could not have hidden; and, as there is a heap of paling a little further on if it is supposed that the horse shied at the paling, threw Porter, and dragged him into the river. Poor Porter's body was found lower down a week ^{or 10} afterwards in an advanced state of decomposition: he had £40 in gold & silver, & a watch, about him. - Settled with Belbin. -

Marshall with 16th sheep from Washburns.
Herrings.

Marshall brought from Washburn last evening 990 sheep, and Mr. Rostie sent 477 4 teeth ewes to the Kalls Run today, and is to put 513 old Ewes in Sog fence Pad^k. - Caught Mrs W. Arber's colt for Bloom to take to Washburn tomorrow. Killed about 2 doz. herrings in the Meander before dinner.

17th Busy at home drawing &c. -

18th Sunday. -

Dec^r 19th. - Prepared for an excursion to the Mountains tomorrow with W. A.

Excursion
to the
Mts. -

46. H. - Killed about 2 doz herrings in the Meander. -

20th Started with Chas Hurtle, (W. being unable to go for want of boats) for the mountains, intending to visit the Great Lake. After reaching the Meander above the Sugarloaf, by means of the trail round its W. side, we ascended its bed, walking on the stones, keeping a sharp lookout for a "creek" running into it on the E. side; for we wished to go up a large gully, or gorge, between Projection Bluff & the Meander Falls. The great evaporation which must have been taking place today had caused the volume of water to decrease considerably since the night, the stones being wet for 1 1/2 inch higher than the water was at noon. - After ascending for 2 1/2 hours, we found a brook entering on the E. side, and commenced ascending it. After much scrambling, struggling, scratching, climbing over logs, and going through a violent exercise, we left the creek, and ascended a steep hill, near the summit of which we again came to the brook, which had altered its direction. On tracing it a little farther we arrived at its source, and the base of a very steep part of the mountain. It was now about 1/2 past 5 o'clock, and we toiled up for about an hour & a half, (with our two knapsacks, weighing, with their contents some 16 lb. each,) until we came to a rough plateau of rocks, where we made up our minds to bivouac for the night, though without (21st) water. Next morning, starting at 1/2 past 3, we gained the summit at 1/2 past 4, and breakfasted; taking double enjoyment in the aqueous element, - our high appreciation of which was much increased by last night's lack of it. - We left again at 1/2 past 6, and walked along the brow of the mountain SW. for some time, - and then E. for two hours expecting to find the Great Lake. Nothing could we see of it however, and came to the conclusion that its place on the Maps must be erroneous or that people who had been at it made loose statements as to its whereabouts. Tired of looking for it, and declining to go more E., we walked across a plain for three hours, & came to the Ouse, seeing Lake Augustus in the distance. We fancied this might be the Great Lake, but determined to return homeward, wishing to get back to Chestnut tomorrow night. - Before starting across this plain, before dining, I perceived an unpleasant sensation in the outer side of my right knee, which made walking at times very awkward.

and indeed painful. Chas. H. found several plants (herb?) new to me on the banks of this stream, the base, up the W side of which we walked, until we crossed a hill. Passing to the N side of the base there, where it turned to the left, we steered about N.E. until we reached a lake which had a narrow dike, ^{not more than 10 feet wide,} running across its centre, having again crossed the base, or a tributary of it. From this lake, whose dike we went over, steering N.E. (Walking in much pain at times,) we came to the top of a stony ridge which gave us a sight of Quamby's Bluff. We could ^{clearly} not recognise any of the mountains in front of our left hands, though my supposition of their identity afterwards proved correct. On our left side were several small lakes, ^{from} of one ^{of which} the Meander flows. - Pushing on for half a mile, just as it became dusk, we made our halt beside one or two large skins, ^(Opites geiculipis) of which we made a ^{on an extensive treeless plain,} ^{and} ^{used} with a small fire "made out" a dreary & cold night. As we passed a small lake near this place, we saw a large specimen ^{about 5 inches long,} of the (mountain?) trout, which we succeeded in capturing, and cooked, - ~~the~~ finding it delicate eating.

Dec 22nd

Starting at 4 o'clock, we walked in the direction of Quamby's Bluff, distinctly recognising the position of the falls, and adjacent mountains, when it was too late to take that way home. - Breakfasted near a small gorge, & afterwards walked onwards N.E. & N.E. until we came to a more important one which we concluded would lead us to Jockey's Marsh. On looking down it however, we could see Cummings' Head directly in front of us. - We descended with much difficulty, the bed of the rivolet being filled with stupendous masses of basalt, and the sides lined by gigantic columnar rocks, to the height of 150 feet above us on the right hand side. After much trouble we arrived at the foot of the most difficult part, and sheltered ourselves from the rain which now began to fall under a huge rock, which lying flat upon some thus afforded a secure defence from wet. - The rain continuing, we started again, and toiled down the apparently interminable creeks. - I, in much pain from my knee. Coming after three or four hours to more level ground we left the creek, and walked, until nearly 3 o'clock, along the banks, - then coming to the Meander, above the Sugar-top.

We reached Chesnut at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 5 o'clock. The rain had ceased at about 1 o'clock but we were thoroughly wet. - It appears that if we had walked to the E. instead of across the plain to the Duse we should have reached the Great Lake in an hour. The pasture of the Lake country seemed to us miserable, far inferior to the worst description of available ^{hemp} pasture land in this neighborhood: indeed we saw over a large tract of country, between the Meander and the Mountain, preferable to it. There was a large herd of cattle near the Duse on its E. side; and we saw about 20 head between the high smooth mountain & Quaker Bluff, near two small lakes. -

Dec 23rd - commenced sheepwashing this morning. Raining nearly all day. -

Sheepwashing
C. Boxhall
\$3.

24th - Sheepwashing. - Rain. - Boxhall to Woolmers. gave him \$3. -

25 - Sunday. Christmas Day. -

26th - Nailed up some canvaps at the openings in the shed. -

Some of the men in the afternoon played cricket; some were away at Delovane drinking. - There was a drunken fight between old Martin & Stewart, the gardeners. Martin, I hear from himself, left his hired service at Woolmers 6 or 8 months since. I came to write to my Brother, asking if he may go back to complete his term. -

Martins
C. W. W. Branch
S.

W. W. Rostie sold to W. W. Branch for the other day, 3 heifers for \$31. which has been paid. Made up stock & crop. Return. thus: - 80 ac in crop. oats, & 1 ac. potatoes; - other cultivated land, pasture &c. 500 ac. - uncultivated land 14,057 ac. - expect 30 bush. oats to the acre, 18 horses, 6000 sheep, & 450 cattle, also 5 pigs. -

Stock & crop.

27th Some shearers came yesterday evening. - Preparing for shearing tomorrow.

28th commenced shearing in the afternoon. Taylor's young W. 172 (by Gally) -

29th There having been heavy rain last night, we could not shear today. -

30th Sheared 379 more young W. & 104 W. & 2. Taylors, (by Gally.) The young W. were branded on the rump: they are very scabby, and are to be sent back to Taylor.

Shearing

31st Sheared 397 (by Gally) of Taylor's E. & W. - Most of these are nearly fat, and all are to be made fat for sale. - John Stoner came, & agreed to saw about 5000 feet of stuff for me in three weeks time, at \$18/100 feet. W. W. Rostie drafted out the old cows from Linkin's Boy & put two of the Hereford Bulls with the remaining young cows. Boxhall returned last night. -

Sh 9
Stoner about sawing
Bulls to herd

Jan 3rd 1st Sunday.

Morning
W. & C. H. Manning

2nd Sheared 461 sheep by Tally. - (358 Taylor's E & W. & 103 Hat E. & W.)

3rd " 424 " " " " (200 Hat E & W. & 224 Briestock's E & W)

4th " 445 " " " " (" " " " " " " " 445 " ")

5th " 516 " " " " (" " " " " " " " 516 " ")

6th " 473 " " " " (157 Ewes E & W. & 316 " " " " " " " " 473 " ")

in Bolt Padk for hay.

7th " 366 " " " " (366 " " " " " " " ")

8th Sunday.

9th " 481 " " " " (481 " " " " " " " ")

10th " 551 " " " " (23 " " & 528 Porter's W.)

11th " 524 " " " " (" " " " " " " " 524 " ")

Finished
C. H. Manning

Finished shearing this day.

12th Settled with & discharged Ableby, Buzeps, Koulger, Jones & Morris.

Paid also Briestock & Grubb - Working at irrigation.

13th Irrigating &c.

Bought
more from
Mrs Grubb.

14th " - Warden of Marsh Padk brought a black pony
mare for which I gave him £20. - Mrs Grubb came up.

15th Sunday.

16th Marshall away with Josh Edwards. - Irrigating.

17th Irrigating - commenced hay carting. - Killed 7 doz & 2 herrings
near the food. - Marshall returned with Edwards.

Day wages of
Johns.

18th Irrigating. - J. Edwards, Jackson, & Donshoo at 30% a week ^{the morning of the 16th} day work from

Finished hay-
carting.
letter to constituents
on new consti.
brands of sheep.

19th Rain in the forenoon. Finished hay carting by 10 o'clock.

Wrote a letter to the Inhabitants of the Westbury Electoral Distt
on the subject of increase the number of members of Council before
consider the new constituted question. - The brands of my sheep

- are as follows. - Taylor's Ewes - A on near rib (Woolmers)
- " Wethers - " " off hip " "
- " " " " " rump (Cheshunt)
- Briestock's Ewes - " " " (Woolmers)
- " Wethers - " " off rib (Cheshunt)
- Ewe's Ewes - " " near hip " "
- " Wethers - " " near rib " "
- Porter's " " " near shoulder " "
- Store Ewes (culls) - " " rump (Woolmers)
- Store Ewes Wethers - " " off shoulder (Cheshunt)

20th Finished getting in the hay yesterday. C. H. to Sarumston.

Irrigating with W. & C. - gave C. H. £5.

£34.12.0 to
W. & C. H.

21st " " " - Paid Col^l Treas^r for W. & C. H. £29.12.0

Jan 22nd - Sunday.

23rd to 25th - Brigating - marking bales - writing to Mr Brooks - letters with cheques in payment of bills, &c. - (Vide after excursion)*

Mr Douglas's
waggons
Wool to carry.
Excursion
to the
Great Lake.
Provisions &c.

26th - Mr Douglas's waggons arrived yesterday. Started them this morning with 39 bales of wool - to the care of Mr Brooks, - to go by the "Sarah Anne". - Mr Hottle and I started for the Great Lake. We carried each -

Opopum skin rug	7 lb.
Rice	"
Barmeal	"
Sugar	"
Tea	"
Bread & Butter	2 1/2 "
Biscuits	1 1/4 "
Bacon	1 1/2 "
Total 13 1/2 "	

Besides -
Matches
Toilet Soap
Knife, fork & spoon
Painkillers
Compass
Telescope
Needle & thread
Comb & plastr.

Sundries

It is useful to have a piece of cloth for patching, - an extra button or two, - string, cord, - extra straps, -

27th We reached Jockey's Marsh in 2 1/2 hours at about 12 o'clock, - dined in the creek at the S. end of it, and started thence towards the mountains at half past 1. - Small pebbles in creek - thick forest & fern at sides for an hour - then fern trees and forest - good walking. Limestone - waterfalls - shelving beds - picturesque scenery - caves in sandstone, and formation above, - junction of two creeks - turn upwards between them near the right hand one - good walking until near the upper part of the mountain - then more scrubby, - dense beech scrub with rocks on the left, and tea-tree scrub on the left up to a small plain. Went to the right and up a very steep part of the precipitous portion of the mountain - dog stopped behind howling, but finally followed us up - wretched country on top - not a tree to be seen as far as the eye could reach (twilight) - scraps of wood slept in our rugs before a bit of fire in a nook of a rock.

27th Off early - climbed a rocky rise S.E. by S. from bivouac - saw the Great Lake to the S. ward, bearing about S.S.E. - left our rugs in the valley below - crossed a rise, a valley, & another ^{rocky} rise, & then descended to a creek - crossed a flattish hill and passed along the W. shore ^{of the Sibley Lake,} to the Great Lake - put up some ducks - dined - saw some of Mr Kennedy's sheep looking very well in condition - heard rattle-birds - country very superior to the ordinary Mt land for pasture, - the grass almost entirely a sp. of Agrostis - beautiful country, - clear patches sloping up ~~ab~~ among handsome gum trees, from the water - saw only gum trees - Mr Kennedy's Mt yards - fires - fence - returned along same route guided by the smoke of fires which were

had made as we moved along. - a fire made in the morning near where we left our rugs would have consumed them had we not placed them among stones - it was extinguished by the heavy dew at about 2 in the morning - Tasman - the Kangaroo dog - killed a young Hyena near our comfortable resting place, but would not eat any bit tho' very hungry - (dogs reject also I am told (W.H.) native cats - & kangaroo rats, bandicoots & Macquarie We heard the old one calling the young one, but it did not come near - porridge - bacon - sleep - breakwind - breakfast at 4 1/2 o'clock - Gaulttheria depiepsa - back to edge of mountain - small plain - tracks - down hill - turned too much to the right - ought to be very cautious - in wrong creek - rough walking - caves - sandstone &c. - creek N. side of Jarkey's March - ferns - logs - nettles - holes - bed of creek - saw Smeiley's Bluff - left creek - made for Jarkey's March - reached it a little before 6 o'clock. - reached home at 8 o'clock. - Saw a fire on the Sugarloaf side of Ferrisat's Chant. -

* On the 25th I sold to Shepherd, 174 Wethers at 22/- each to be taken within a fortnight. - 2 cows at £16 & £14 - & 2 calves 1/2 in all £223.8.0, which has been paid. -

29th Sunday. -
 30th Writing letters. - Rode to the Sugarloaf Hill, and found it on fire - a large portion being burnt, by whom set on fire I shall of course never learn. - W Douglas's waggons arrived bringing tea, sugar, iron, & tobacco. -

31st Sent 23 bales of wool by the waggons. - Rode with W.H.H. to the Lime Kiln, and inspected the lands adjoining. - Agreed to let them 150 acres there. -

1st Emigrating, &c.
 2nd " " "
 3rd " " "
 4th " " "
 5th Sunday. -
 6th Emigrating, &c.
 7th " " "

8th Started, with W.H. & H.H., with the intention of reaching Roland's Repulse. Edwards took us in the spring cart nearly to the Stony Ford on the road to the Red Gate. - We then started for the Mersey, calling at Bennetts - and passing through the farms of W Parlett, Hughes, Vothers, Sheen, P. Gannon, Cox, & Gannon, - round Punch's Lovers, crossing an affluent of the Lobster Creek,

Fire on Sugarloaf Hill.
 Goods from Town.
 Road to Town.
 Horse to W.H.H.
 Feb 4
 Emigrating. -

Excursion to Gog &c.

and finally reaching the Mersey about $\frac{1}{2}$ a mile ~~before~~ above its turn towards the N.W. - We remained here until $\frac{1}{2}$ past 3 o'clock, and I killed about a dozen & a half of herrings, some of them very fine. I went for bog-tortoise near the summit slope towards the S. - water - encampment.

Feb 29th - Start early - along the summit towards Roland's Repulse - give up the idea of reaching it - retrace our steps - a beacon for Chestnut - walk to the E. end, and descend - entangling underwood - *Pultenea* & *Capsytha* precipices - very steep - fine *Styphelia* - Rutaceous plant - the Mersey again - dinner - lobsters - ^{slippery} Kangaroo - encampment - blackfish -

10th - Herrings - crop the mire after walking some distance down back - on loads - pass Griston, - James Ritchie eating - by Herwood house

11th - At Home. Prepped afresh the plants collected during my excursion -

12th - Sunday.

13th - Making up accounts for the meeting of Exors at Woolmers.

14th - Rode to Blowing Marsh to see the extent of the fire which has been burning there some time, - found it confined to small patches near the Channel. Decided upon burning off the whole of Blowing Marsh if possible. - Making up accounts.

15th - Rode up the Meander to the foot of our Sugarloaf, and walked $\frac{1}{2}$ mile further, looking for herrings, but could only see one or two: also where Jacky's Marsh Creek enters, - but they do not appear to be so high in a body, unless indeed they have gone still higher. - On my way back I found them opposite the upper corner of the East Side Run, - and killed 5 doz. & 8, some of which were very large, weighing $6\frac{1}{2}$ oz. - There was a numerous body of them there.

16th - Rode the black mare, (Horse they call key) to Woolmers, starting at 6 o'clock & breakfasting at Carrick, - reaching Woolmers at 3 o'clock. - R. L. K. & Dr Valentine came in the evening.

17th - Mr Meadow came. We all went into the accounts, and questions connected with a division of the properties. Found the balance of debts, legacies, &c. against the Estate upwards of £9000. - It was arranged that the value of the stock & crops on the estates should be fixed by appraisement, - that there should be paid by my Brothers & myself in lieu of allowances of provisions &c. for two years (the supposed time at which the debts would have been paid by the Estates united) to my Mother £500 a year, - to Mr Y. W. Ashby £300, - to Dr Kilgour £120, & to Rev^d A. Starkhouse £120. R. L. K. thought that Woolmers should contribute to these amounts its proportion of $\frac{1}{10}$. - I think so too. - I went to see Mr Wm Nicholls at Quareby on my way home, to ask him to assist in valuing the stock &c. - Dr Valentine was appointed an Exor & Trustee.

Return home.

Accounts.

Blowing Marsh.

Herrings.

To Woolmers.

Meeting of Exors.

Feb 18th. - Started from Washburn at 4 to backlock in the morning, and finding at breakfast that I could get no breakfast for some time at Passaic Inn, his cook having "run away" during the night, I rode on to Quamby to catch W. Nicholls, - but found that he had started for Westbury. - I rode after he caught him, riding on to Westbury with him. He consented to act as valuer. Obtained my breakfast at Syll's at 2 past 10. Called at Mr E. Martin's. Rode home in the afternoon. -

19th Sunday. -

20th Packing the handwashed wool, and sheepskins. -

21st Rode to Limekiln Padk, and leaving Jessy at the side of the "Main Cut", walked across "Blowing Marsh" to examine the effect of the fire. - W. Koster & J. Edwards burning off. - A large portion is so green that it will not burn excepting with a very high wind. - Finishing packing - 8 bales. -

22nd Killed about 4 doz. fine herrings in the Meander below the upper bound of Taylor's Run. - Sent the 8 bales of wool (2 of handwashed & locks, and 6 of skins) to Delovaine, to be loaded on W. Douglas's wagon. Received a box from England, Smith Elder & Co, containing a Parlour Printing Press, Watchmaker's tools, Engraving tools, Picnic box, paperweights &c. -

23rd Busy examining Printing Press, &c. -

24th Do Do. - Walked to Limekiln Padk, and induced C. Hottle to start for Stone, to come up with Mrs Sytletow in the coach. Forrester's in Black Gate Padk. -

25th Drove the tandem-cart to Delovaine, and waited until the coach arrived bringing Mrs Sytletow, and C. Hottle, whom I drove to blashunt, with old "Snip". -

26th Sunday. - My "son their" born at 7 m. to 10 in the evening. Dr Browne here.

27th Sorting sheep for sale on Friday at Leavick. - Sold 100 sheep to Shep-herd, 50 W. at £1.1 a head, and 50 E. at 1 1/6^d. - also 2 cows for £26.10:- the amt to be paid into the U. Bank. - Heavy rain yesterday. -

28th Heard from W. Weedon that he had not advertised the sheep &c. for sale on Friday for several reasons. - ^{March 1st} Rode to the Meander but found the river too high for fishing, i.e. to know where the fish were. -

March 1st - Waiting in the morning for Messrs Bartley & Nicholls who are to value the stock &c. here, in connection with the division of properties. - They arrived in the afternoon. Walked through the paddocks and saw some of the stocks. - Dr Browne was here in the forenoon. -

2nd - Saw the remainder of the stock, excepting the 2 y^{rs} old cattle which were valued on W. Nicholls's report. - Messrs B. & N. left. - Brig stock to have £45² from March 1st 54. -

Quamby.

Mr. Martin.

Packing skins &c.

Blowing Marsh

Herrings.

Wool to Delovaine.

Box from England.

Go to Stone for Mrs S.

Mrs Sytletow.

Son & heir.

Sorting sheep for sale.

Sheep to Shep-herd.

Valuation of stock &c.

Richard's Brig stock.

March 15th W M Rostie returned and told me that the sheep and cattle had sold at excellent prices at the sale. Drove Mrs Lyttleton to Deloraine with "Bonne", and thence to Washburn with "Snip"; whom I sent yesterday to Blake's by Allen. - This is the day for the meeting of ratepayers of the Chudleigh R^d Dist^t, to appoint Trustees, - and I forwarded to the Trustees a memo: of the manner in which the business of the meeting would be best conducted. -

Drove Mrs Lyttleton to Washburn. Snip sent on. Trustees Election Meeting Chudleigh R^d Dist^t. Parshanger's 16th meeting.

Loan from Mr Youl.

Loan from Mr Wilson & Westbury.

Account Sales of stock (W Weedon).

Mr Youl. Shock of an earthquake.

Halls Run Mortgage & Loan.

Youl left.

Shepherd paid \$97.10 for sheep.

Mr Marriott Adams for Chudleigh.

16th At Washburn. Went to Parshanger's ^{with Mrs S. & Miss Smith.} to see Mr F. Archer. - Gathered some hazel nuts. - In the afternoon, with W^o S. to Dr Kilgour's & Stricklandon. -

17th A large party at dinner at Washburn today: quite like "old times". - Went with J^o to Youl's and arranged to borrow from ^{him} £3000 ^(in all) for 7 years, at 6 per cent. per ann. - W & Mrs Dry left Youl's for Habant Lower. Arranged, with W Kilgour to borrow ~~the~~ £2000 for one year at 6 per cent. - Started at a little after 3 and reached Westbury at dusk.

18th Drove Snip to Cheshunt. - Received "Account Sales" of the stock sold by W Weedon on the 14th inst^t. - The Wethers ⁽²²⁷⁾ averaged 24.572 - i.e. 24 ⁷/₁₀₀ nearly: - the ewes, (334) about 17 ²/₄: - The cows, £17.8.0. - and the total proceeds amounted to £720.16.0, after deducting £2.7.6 for advertisement & £18.10.6 for commission. -

19th Sunday. -
20th to 23rd. Nothing particular occurred. - Raining weather. -

24th Mr Youl came. I walked with him through the meadows, & showed him some of the stock: he was exceedingly pleased with the yearling heifers & steers. - At $\frac{1}{2}$ past 10 P.M. a shock of an earthquake was felt by the whole household.

25th Rode with him through the upper part of the Halls Run, (Wood's location), & then homewards by the Lime Kiln, having kept near the "main cut". - I am to give him a mortgage on Wood's location of 2560 acres, as security for a loan of £3000; he is satisfied, as he ought to be!

26th Sunday
27th Youl left this morning to ride home. We exchanged papers concerning the loan & mortgage, I not being in the position at present to hand over the grant deed to him. -

28th Nothing particular occurred. -
29th Shepherds paid into the U. Bank today £97.10, the price of 50 W. & 50 E. which he bought of ~~me~~ me the other days. -

30th to April 1st. - Nothing particular occurred. -
April 2nd Sunday. -
3rd to 6th

31st Drove my tandem cart with Bonne to Deloraine to bring Messrs Marriott & Adams to Cheshunt. We returned by about 2 o'clock. -

Walked with M. & A. through Field's stubble, & put up some fine quail.

April 1st Quail.
Marriott & I. Marriott & I went quailing. I very much out of sorts & could scarcely hit a bird, missing two shots out of three; M. also shot very badly. He bagged ^{two} $7\frac{1}{2}$ birds, & I $3\frac{1}{2}$.

2nd Sunday.

Quail.
Mr Bartley. 3rd Adams & Marriott went out after quail this morning, I riding to show them the ground. Found no birds on my land, & they went to Field's again. - Adams gave up, & I took the gun for the afternoon, shooting very badly from indisposition. - W. F. Bartley overtook M. & me, near the homestead, as we were riding home, Adams having taken the two ponies to the Limekiln farms, & walked home.

S. Sold to Mr Bartley 600 w. \$130 &.
4th Very poorly. - After breakfast went to the sheepyard with Mr Bartley and sold him 600 Wethers - 500 at 24/- & 100 at 21/- & 130 Ewes at 17/- to be delivered at Westbury next Monday week. - W. F. Bartley haggled much about the price, wanted me to take his bill at 3 mos (which I refused to do,) and in writing a memo: of the sale altered the terms of it, which I had the unpleasantness of requiring him to correct; altogether he disappointed me, appearing to lose the gentleman in the dealer. - When I returned to the house I found that the eruption of the measles had made its appearance on my forehead. - I also sold to W. F. Bartley 3 cows at £16 each to be taken away in about a fortnight. - Messrs Marriott & Adams left for Lanneston taking the two ponies down. W. F. Bartley also left for Mr Gibson's. - I then went to the front bedroom, & took up my quarters, preparing for the reception of the enemy that had taken possession of my forehead.

Measles.
S. Sold to Mr Bartley 3 cows.
Marriott & Adams to you.

Measles. 5th to 8th Measles. - ~~worked a little at my drawings of orchids and at the draft of my will.~~ - Dr Browne attended me.

9th Sunday. -
10th to 15th Working at the draft of my will & at my orchideous drawings. Recovering from the measles slowly: - rode out once; Dr Browne was here on the 15th, & the Rev Mr. Williams came to baptize my boy; W. E. Martin also came with him as one of the godfathers the other being Archdeacon Davies, & Mrs Sytleton Godmother. - He received the names of "Wm Sytleton". Messrs Williams & Martin returned home.

Dr of Will & Orchid drawings.
Baptism of my boy.

16th Sunday. -

Bennett's wheat. 17th Mr McKostie rode to Deloraine, to enquire on the way of Bent when the wheat purchased of him would be at the mill: -

found W Bartley's driver at Deloraine, who had orders to come on to Chestnut, but did not. W M Rostie returned late, and had to ride again for a medical man to Westbury (D Browne being unable to attend,) to be with his wife who is about to be "confined".

18th At 20 minutes to 1 o'clock this morn^g Mrs M Rostie was delivered of a boy, Mrs Sims assisting. M R. returned ^{having only gone to Deloraine,} at about 1/2 past 10.

He sent ^{for Elmer} to Porter (who had returned in the forenoon to his hut, without letting W M R. know that he was at Chestnut) to come here to assist in driving W Bartley's sheep to the

Falls this afternoon, intending that Porter & Brigstock should take them to Westbury tomorrow; Porter returned answer that

"he had been twice already, and he wouldn't come a third time". J^r Elmer & Allen took the sheep to the Falls. I rode to Porter's

hut to ask him "whether he sent back the answer delivered or not?" He said he did, and behaved very rudely & insultingly.

19th W M Rostie, Elmer, & J^r Elmer, (Brigstock being drunk, for the first time in 12 months, at Deloraine,) took the sheep to Westbury & delivered them safely to W Bartley's driver. - W R. took out

a warrant against Porter on a charge of "disobedience of orders". - I walked across Field's stubble in the afternoon and shot, over Rutlands 3 brace of fine brown quail. - M R. returned home.

20th I sold W. Shepherd this morning 100 small ewes at 16/- each and a calf, ricketty, in his hind-quarter but in good condition, for £2.7.6. - A constable took the warrant to Porter's hut, & brought him here for the night, still dozzed, and rode to M Rostie. -

I rode to see W Brannick, who talks of impounding my cattle which sometimes cross from the Falls Run on to his land, although he can more easily, by far, fence the river than I can. Not at his station. I rode to find the crossing places, and discovered that the present ^{one} is more easily stopped on

my side; accordingly, after driving the cattle in question far into the Falls Run, I returned home, & gave orders for the place being stopped tomorrow. Old Jones, Brigstock's hut keeper

has received, somehow, a severe blow and wound on one temple, by which he lost so much blood, (fomenting, I hear, with warm water) that he lies in a dangerous state. -

21st Preparing for my journey to Hobart Town, & making necessary arrangements as to stock &c. previously to leaving home.

22nd Rode to Westbury, with W M Rostie & J^r Elmer. Porter was brought before W Jones & W B. Martin to answer the charge agst him of

W Bartley's driver

M Rostie's delivery of a boy

Porter's misconduct

W Bartley's sheep to the Falls

W Bartley's sheep to Westbury. Brigstock's misconduct

Warrant for Porter's quail

100 & 4 calf to Shepherd. Porter taken. W Brannick's impounding of my cattle

Old Jones's wound

Home arrangements for Westbury

- Tho's Porter
 tried
 to Sammerton. disabled^d of orders, - and, after a little denying & equivocating on his
 part, was sentenced to a month's hard labour in goal, and the forfeiture
 of all wages due to him. - Went on to Sammerton in the Delonnie
 Coach, W.W.R. H.R. return^d with Jessy to Chestnut.
- 23rd Sunday. -
 To Hobart Town, by day coach. - Arrived at Broadland House.
- 24th To Hobart Town, by day coach. - Arrived at Broadland House.
- 25th to May 4th. In Hobart Town attending the Legislative Council. -
- 5th. Hobart Town to Mona Vale gate by coach, & to the house in a gig. -
 R. D. K. had gone to Hobart Town on the 4th about the purchase
 money of some land in New Zealand, and the securing of the property
 to himself. - He has now purchased about 48,000 acres in N.Z. -
- 6th. R. D. K. returned home this morning, and I went with him to see
 Mr P. V. Smith, who was in a great fume about an alteration which
 he had had with the neighbour's miller. - I promised to answer his
 circular respecting the "Model Farm" on my return home. - R. D. K.
 thinks of building a new house some day, and asked me to give him
 a plan for one. -
- 7th. Sunday. Morning service at Mona Vale. R. D. K. read. -
- 8th Rain. Read through dt lease of Longford Hall as a Trustee. - Advised
 as to a store-room fire place. R. D. K. showed me some samples of the
 wool from his sheep & lambs, as he sent it to England, beautifully clean,
 & bringing about 3/6 for lamb-wool, and 2/6 for sheep-wool. - Boxhall drove
 me in the gig to the main-road, where the coach took me up, and I
 reached Sammerton at 1/2 past 9 in the evening. -
- 9th. Ordered galvanised iron guttering &c. and sundry other articles. -
 Saw Mr Jennings, Manager M. B. about a loan of £5000 for 6 or 9 years
 in order to buy some land in N. Zealand. He is to let me know.
 Went by coach to Westbury, and stayed at Mr E. Martin's. -
- 10th. Attended the meeting of electors which I had called, at the Westbury
 Inn, for today, - to hear my explanⁿ of the course wh^{ch} I had adopted
 with respect to the "Extension Bill". - There were about 60 persons
 present, most of whom appeared to be well primed, by Mess^{rs} Clarke &
 Co; but nevertheless they ~~app~~ seemed tolerably satisfied with my
 remarks, and Mr A. Douglas, moved a moderate resolution which
 giving no opinion on ~~the~~ my explanⁿ, expressed an opinion in favour
 of the Extension of Council, previously, to the adoption of a New
 Constitution, - and another resolⁿ requesting me to support
 measure for procur^d such extension. - Mr Clarke towards the
 of the meeting wished me to pledge myself that I would vote for the
 Extension Bill if it were proved to me that the Governor had the power
 to assent to it. I told him that I had not pledged myself; upon which he
- Tho's Porter
 tried
 to Sammerton.
- To April 23rd Sunday. -
- To Hobart Town, by day coach. - Arrived at Broadland House.
- In Hobart Town, by day coach. - Arrived at Broadland House.
- To Mona Vale.
- New Zealand
 lands.
- P. V. Smith.
- Model Farm.
- Mona Vale
 wood.
- Prices.
- To Sammerton;
- £5000 to buy
 N. Z. land.
- To Westbury.
- Meeting of
 Electors to
 hear my
 explanation.

List of Dogs at Chestnut. May 1st 1854. -

Owner	Number seen	Sex	Age	Breed	Description	
Wm. Auker Jr.	1	m.	6	P. Wolf dog -	W. with sandy patches	4.0
	1	"	4	Pointer	Sandy dog	
N. Taylor	1	fr.	4	Shepherd dog -	B. & W.	4.0
	1	m.	3	m.	B.	
J. Brizstock	1	"	4	S.	B. & W.	7.6
	1	"	5	"	Y. Colom.	
	1	"	6	m.	R-Y. (large)	
Wm. Grubb.	1	"	5	"	B. & W.	1.0
John Edwards	1	"	4	S.	B. & W.	4.6
	1	"	2	"	B.	
John Edwards	1	"	3	"	B. & Y.	1.0
	1	"	3	m.	B.	
Wm. Whitbread	1	"	1 1/2	S.	B. & Y.	4.0
John Elmer	1	fr.	1	"	B. & Y.	1.0
John Elmer	1	"	5	"	B. & W.	1.0
Wm. Bonnell	1	"	4	m.	B.	4.0
John Edwards.	1	"	3	"	B.	1.50
	1	m.	6	"	R.	
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(Signed) W. A. J.

They want 200 acres instead of

a flourish of trumpets to the effect that "a member who does not represent the feeling of the his constituents ought to resign if called on", to which I responded, "Hear hear!" W. A. Douglas opposed, W. B. and the matter dropped. - W. Martin was heartily cheered on leaving the chair. - At W. Martin's for the night. -

- May 11th - W. Martin took me in his carriage to Eaton, & drove me on to Deloraine in his brother's gig. - I found that my portmanteau had not been forwarded, Gubb took my carpet bag & parcel, but left a box of mine at Thomas's, in order that he might give the preference to his fellow servants (I never) crockery ware. Very cool! Rode home "Horse".
- 12th Raining. - Busy in the house, writing letters, making up journal &c.
- 13th - Rode to the Lime Hills to see W. & H. - They are ploughing some of the lowland, and talk of putting 10 acres of the higher ground in wheat. They want 200 acres instead of 150. I told them I should reserve the Lime Hills and quarry. - Gubb with cart to Deloraine. Post box of biscuits, from Pescod & Son of Ston, but no portmanteau. Very annoying! Sent list of dogs, and tax to W. M. Westbury. -
- 14th Sunday. - Read morning service as usual; and, as usual, not a farm servant attended! -
- 15th Assisted Withers to get in the larger number of cows with calves in order to wear the latter. - Found list of dogs omitted from the envelope enclosing tax, and forwarded it today. - Wrote to J. A. W. Gleadlow, & R. D. K. appointing the 24th instant for meeting at Mona Vale to settle finally the division of our properties. -
- 16th 17th & 18th - Nothing particular occurred. -
- 19th Prepared accounts for the meet^g of Exors. -
- 20th - As yesterday. - All with the eruption of measles. -
- 21st Sunday. -
- 22nd Preparing for the meeting of Exors. -
- 23rd - Rode to Brickendon, & remained for the night. -
- 24th - To Fairfield early in the forenoon. - Thence to Mona Vale in gig with J. A. -
- 25th Arranging division of stock, &c. - All the Exors present. -
- 26th Ascertained that the land not included in the 3 estates must be sold previously to the division of stock, &c. - Made memo: of several questions to be submitted to the Attorney Genl for his opinion. - Arranged to sell the Woodman's share of all live & dead stock (excepting sheep) by auction without delay, - also the residue of land. -
- 27th - To Fairfield. - Upon making enquiry at all the inns at which the day-coach stops I could hear nothing of my portmanteau; which, however, I do not believe to be stolen, for the parcel of books is missing also, - and the

Intons
of portmanteau
gone.

Lime Hills
farm. W. & H.

No portmanteau.
Biscuits.
Bag Tax.

Measles
calves.
List of dogs.
Meeting of Exors.
Meeting appointed.

All with
measles.

Brickendon
Fairfield
Mona Vale

Mona
Vale, arrange
division of stock,
&c.

Fairfield
Portmanteau

guards who had charge of the two is in Robert Town - has not absconded.

May 28th - Sunday. Morning service read by Jd., I reading the lessons for him. -
at Fairfield: Finding that my mare had not been out of the stable since I arrived at Fairfield, I rode out with my Brother to 13 mile Plain, where I saw Mrs Belbin & family.

To Westbury; 29th Rode to Westbury. Stopped at Lyall Lawson's. -
To Chesnut. 30th - To Chesnut.

31st - Arranging division of cattle.
June 1st. Ditto, and sales by auction. - Walked to the Quarry Hill, and gathered some specimens of Chiloglossis diphylla, now in flower, though more than 2 months later than usual; probably owing to the Spring-like weather we have had lately, - caused by dry weather follow^d the heavy rains of March. - (Thos Porter, Thos but Keiper, settled with & discharged on the

Chiloglossis diphylla

Thos Porter, Thos but Keiper, drawing same.

W. S. A. ill with measles.

Portmanteau found.

C. H. to Jones. £55 to Union B. (from Revenue)

Plough match;

Offered prizes.

2 pigs killed; C. H. returned.

2 pigs to Shepherd Butter to Jones & Oliver.

Wm Porter's neglect.

Wm Storaach. 50s. to Shepherd.

2nd. Busy drawing the Chiloglossis. -
3rd. Finished the draw^s of the same. -

4th. Sunday.

5th. My little boy ill with the measles. -

6th. Rec^d a letter, from the clerk of Mr Lord's coach-office in Stow, to the effect that my portmanteau had been found at Schultz's Inn at Perth, he having several times denied that it was there. - Chas Wattle started to go to Stow for me, to inspect the contents. - Sent £55 to the Union Bank (Chesnut Estate Act) by him, & gave him £5. - £2.10 to go against him, & the remainder to pay his expenses. - The little boy very ill. -

7th. The day of the Plough Match of the "L^t Wm P^s Assocⁿ." - Wm Porter rode down. D Brown came in answer to my request. - The little fellow worse; inflamⁿ of the bronchial membrane, or of the lungs; - Rhinotracheitis mon^o virus & virus, &c. - I wrote to Mr Bentinck the Sec^y to the Com^{tee} of the L^t Wm P^s Assocⁿ, telling him that I would give two prizes of £5 each - one to the owner of the best plough at work on the ground, & the other to the man, being a resident in the Dist^{ric}. - Did not go down on account of my boy's illness. - Oliver killed 2 pigs for Shepherd. - C. H. returned. -

8th. Sent Edwards with the 2 pigs (1 weigh^d 192 & the other 144 lbs) for Shepherd at 7 p^{er} lb. & 92 lb. of butter, at 2/3, to John Jones - Painter. & 69 lb. of butter to Oliver at 2/3 p^{er} lb. D Brown came & returned home in the afternoon, leaving his little patient slightly better; - I rode with him across "low-hill ford," & to Braemich's side-line. Wm Porter did not return last night, leaving me to attend to his duties in weigh^d the pigs &c, although he knew that probably I should be unable to do it, on acct of the boy's illness. - He brought W^m Storaach with him. - Edwards brought my portmanteau & books. - Oliver took 50 old ewes at 18/- each, for Shepherd, to Delonain

June 9th.
Woolmers
calves.
Stromath with
Carrage-horses
& steers in.

Woolmers
3 yrs old steers.
Woolmers
stock

Woolmers
yearling
W.B. Hurtle's
Account.

Woolmers
cows.

Woolmers steers
to Deloraine.

W.B. to
Greenby.
Hills above
W. End Run.

Miss Stockings.

Woolmers sale.

Price of cattle
at Carrick
Sale.

W.B. £54.15 on
the 13th.

Drew out the calves for Woolmers. 19 steers & 23 heifers. - W. Stromath wants to know what I will take for my grey carriage-horses. - Assisted W. McK. & Jas. E. to get into the Barn Padk from Kalls Run & two & three-year-old steers for the sale. - Brizstock is now gathering his flock previously to leaving my service. -

10th. Went with W. McK. & Jas. E. to the Kalls Run, and, after much trouble drove to Barn Padk 3-3yr old steers. Jas. E. brought 2 more. W. McK. & I afterwards drove to Lower Hill, from Branich's land, 4-2yr old steers, & 2 cows with calves. -

11th. Sunday. -

12th. Drew out 13 yearling steers into Barn Padk, & 23 yearling heifers into Lane Padk. - Brought the 4 steers & 2 cows & calves from Lower Hill into Barn Padk. Made up Wm & Jas. Hurtle's account, and found a balance due to them of £39.3.7, to this date. - D. Brown here, & pronounced baby better. -

13th. Drew out 18 milk cows & 26 ordinary breeding cows for the Woolmers share, & put them into Lane Padk with the 23 yearling heifers, & 23 heifer calves.

14th. Having a fair muster of horsemen, viz. Two Braniches. Tho' & John, Bennett, Stag, W. McK., Jas. E., myself, seven in all, we drove the cattle collected in Barn Padk to Deloraine, counting 95 of them, & placed them in the Sale Padk for the night. - I returned home. -

15th. McK., Jas. E., Stag, & W. Tho' Branich drove the cattle to Quamby for the night. - I rode over the hills above the West End Run, as high as sheep would be likely to venture, but saw no sheep, nor any fresh tracks of sheep. - The land is ferny, but poor; the higher part being a hill of freestone; and the lower hills fossiliferous limestone.

16th. John Edwards returned in the forenoon, bringing Miss Stockings with him from Woolmers, and a letter from Jas. telling me that the horses and, indeed, everything sold high at the Woolmers Sale; - the wheat at 14/- a bushel, which ^{price} he offers me for mine; - the hay at £10 a ton. grass seed at 10/6 a bushel. - I requested that my wheat might be kept in store for the present, and the hay sold at £14 a ton, if hay went so high. - "Dan" the horse from here sold at the low price of a little more than £40 I hear. - The cattle from here were sold this day at Carrick by W. Wedlow. - I moved the cows and young heifers to Barn Padk.

17th. W. McK. returned & Jas. E. - The cattle fetched good prices, - the 3yr old steers £10.5, - 2yr old 8. 5/-, - 1yr old 8. £6.10, - 3 calves £5!! each. the 3yr old heifers £8.5, - 2yr old 4. 5/-, - and all was managed very well by W. McK. My brother was present at the Sale. - All the cattle excepting the steers & calves were bought by the Fields. W. G. Branich bought 4 ^{of the} heifers from the Fields at £12.10. - £54.15 from Shephard, for the 50 & 2 pigs.

June 17th (contin^d) I rode into Barn Park with Mr Rostie to look at some of the cows, which are so fat that they will not travel with the other cattle to the sale without being injured; and decided to retain them offering for them the price at which fat cows on the farm were valued by Mess^{rs} B. & N. viz. £15. - Rode through Taylors Run, the "E. Side", - and found the sheep looking clean and in good condition. The selection of 640 ac. which I made is I think the best ^{land} on the whole, of the 2200 rented from the Govt; - I am very well satisfied to pay £1 an acre for it. -

5 fat cows to be retained.
Eastern Side.
640 ac.

18th Sunday. -

19th Started with Mr Bramich, Staz, Mr Rostie, Jas Elmer, & Elmer, to take the second lot of cattle, for sale at Carrick, to Deloraine, 84 in all, - 5 fat milk cows being taken out for fear they would knock up, or that there would be no butchers to buy them at the Sale; there having been none last time. - I wrote to my Brother that I would give the cows £16 each for these, or sell them on acct of the Wookan Estate. - I instructed Mr Rostie to bid as high as £10 for the breeding cows, - £13 for the milk cows, - and £7.10 for the yearling heifers. Having met Mr Sh^r Field near Bramich's station, I rode back with him, to mark out a ditch through the Simkilla farm. Afterward I showed him the hill of thistles on his land; - on the way back he decided to cut a drain from the floodgate in the Flat bound^d line to his large drain; this will relieve the Flat considerably, as well as his own land; - Mr Suckhurst, joined^d from Deloraine came, and I arranged to let him do the work of the steinase, &c. necessary to complete the hall & passages: - the work to be measured, & so paid for. -

5 Sale of cows
at Carrick.
5 fat cows.

Cattle to be bought for me.

Mr Sh^r Field
& drain.
Whistles
Drain from
Flat.
Suckhurst.

20th Busy completing my botanical drawings. - Dr Browne came to see Lily which has the measles. Rode with him across Lower Hill Road, I show him the way to Bramich's station. -

Lily ill with measles.

21st Arranging my masses & hepaticae, & making a collection for Dr Wookan. Rode to the Sawpit Hill; and, crossing Leith's creek, rode some distance between the creeks (Leith's & Chitty's); the land is for the most part very wet, and bad. The Sale of Suckhurst cattle at Carrick today. -

Mosses.
Sand between
Leith's & Chitty's
creeks.

22nd Arranging & selecting masses &c. -

23rd Jas Elmer & Staz returned bringing 26 cows & heifers, 13 milk cows, & 22 yearling heifers, costing me £547.5.0: the cows £9, heifers £10, milk cows £10 to £14, & yearlings £7.5. The calves brought £4 each. I rode to Knight's Corner, crossing the Long Hill, going & returning. Saw no cattle. Gathered specimens of the casuarina on the N. side

5 Cattle bot back from the Sale for me.

feeding the pigs, as Whitbread has done: Whitbread is to be bullock-

Caruck 21st June 1874
 Purches by Mrs
 Bought of C. Weedon & Co. Auctioneers

1 Cow Kall	13 10 "
1 " Jerry	10 " "
1 " Ready	10 " "
1 " Daisy	11 " "
1 " Dolly	12 10 "
1 " Spides	14 " "
1 " Duke	10 10 "
1 " Strawberry	10 10 "
1 " Handsome	9 " "
1 " Pedmore	10 " "
1 " Fly	9 10 "
1 " Spot	10 " "
10 Breeding Cows	90 " "
Forward	<u>220 10</u>

Forward	220 10
16 Heifers	£10 10 0
23 yr Heifers	£4 5 26 15
	<u>£ 57 7 5</u>

of the hill. Hays is to have my tallow at 4¹/₂ per lb. -

allow to
Hays,
price
of mosses.
Swallow-hole
Creek.
Pigeons.

24th - Busy with mosses; making a specimen book, showing a mass of
of many species. Rode ^{Pigeon} to the Swallow-hole creek, and gathered a
few mosses &c. about a mile above the log fence. Set a snare
on a well-beaten Kangaroo track near the creek. - Pigeon is very
lame, & must be turned out. Dr Browne here.

25th - Sunday. -

26th Dr Browne told me that Mr McIntyre, the clergyman appointed
to Deloraine, had called upon him; and had succeeded in renting
the house at Balstock; this is fortunate, seeing that the only other
available house has been let by the Revd M. Williams to Mr
Clayton (one of the sons) - Designing a mansion for R. D. K. Rode to
Swallow-hole creek, & found my snare-string broken, as though
a Kangaroo or other animal had done it. - I have arranged with
Elmer that he shall have the management of the 6 milk cows now
in milk until the 10th of Oct^r next, and be paid £10; - churning, &
feeding the pigs, as Whitbread has done: Whitbread is to be bullock-
driven, I believe. - Bonhall set the hall chimney on fire in the
evening: it burnt out without accident. I hear that the market
price of tallow is much higher than Hays is to give me, - & that
he boasts of having made a good bargain: but as I offered it to him
at 4¹/₂ per lb. believing that to be the market-price, it will not be
honest on his part to take advantage of my ignorance of the rise
in value; to which effect I shall write to him: if he adhere to
the 4¹/₂, I shall have no further dealings with him. -

Mr McIntyre.
design for
R. D. K.
order to milk
the cows. -
Whitbread's
hall chimney
of on fire.
Tallow.

Not dated.

in the
side.
origi.
said upi -

Samuelston
to Sydney.

Yarra Yarra.
Melbourne.

About a week after this last date I attended a Road Meeting of
Trustees at Bennett's Inn, - Red Hills - and on my return home found
that I had a pain in my left side, which I ascribed to having sat
for 2 hours in a cold damp room at Bennett's. After a few days Dr
Browne bled me, the pain being worse - bed - low diet, &c. - convalescence
in a slight degree - my mother came to see me - left with family on
the 18th July for Samerston, - left Ston in the Gov^r General for Sydney
on the 20th I arrived there on the 23rd ^(Sunday) - with the Misses box - Miss Orze's -
Mrs Edw^d box. - ^{or a By Kitt} Mrs Lander's - Mr Josephs, Mr Spyer, Mr Michaelis, - Mr
Jas^d Martin & Co. - The Speaker - the Gov^r, Sir C. Fitz Roy. - &c &c &c. -
Left Sydney on the 11th Oct^r in the Yarra Yarra - about 30 packages of
goods bot at Sydney, oranges, & luggage. - reached Melbourne on
the 15th (Sunday) - By the kindness of Capt. Gilmore we remained on board
all Monday, & on Tuesday moved to the Bedford Hotel. - Exhibition
Council - W Morrison - W Miller - Great Meeting - Left Melbourne

Oct^r 24th. - Left Melbourne in the Lady Bird, & arrived in Ston on the 25th.
Ston. 26^r 27th. Started from Ston in a cab for Westbury - next morning the carriage
Westbury.
Coburns. home, all safe, thank God! - Grubb also brought the greater
part of the baggage, &c. from Town.

S. Stock sold while I was in Sydney Mr Roster sent ^(August) 323 ewes & wethers to
C.S. Braunsgrone. sale at Carrick: the ewes brought £50 of the wethers - & the
by H. W. Roster. remainder were sent on to Woolmers unsold. - They have since
C.S. Braunsgrone. been sold to Braunsgrone at 28/- each.

C.S. W. Sheppard. W. Sheppard paid Oct^r 16th £67.18.0 & Oct^r 19th £43 for 101 ewes at £1.2.0 ea.
Nov^r 2nd 1 ewe (left on the way to the Sale) at 16/-.

C.S. W. Sheppard. W. Sheppard has also paid (Nov^r 7th) £130 for 100 wethers. -
C.S. Received from Mr Braunsch £30 for 2 cows. -

C. Mr Braunsch. Mr Weedon has paid £316.11.4 for the 323 ewes & 50 wethers sold by
Mr Weedon him at Carrick on the 4th Aug^t last. -

Sheepwash altered. I have altered the sheepwash, making a nearly water tight pen for
the first, - shortening the race, - & forming an outlet for surplus water
immedly below the cask. -

Nov^r 17th Washing sheep commenced on the 17th, & we have now (Nov^r 25th)
28th sufficient for several days shearing. - On the 20th I rode to Westbury
Sheepwashing. and attended on the 21st a road meeting, at which (being called illegally)
Westbury Road Meet. nothing was done decisively. - I was in the chair; - about 45 were there.
I stopped at Mr. Martin's till Wednesday morn^g & returned home.

24th Rain prevented our commencing shearing on Thursday morning &
Rain. also today. - I went into Linker's Bog, & shot a duck, & 5 snipe. -
Duck & snipe. -
Bristock; Bristock has been helping Sims at the repairs of several of our
main sluice & lock gates, - which are now in tolerable order: he
has also cut a small drain from the channel into the S. ditch
of Bee Padth, to bring the water down for flooding Marsh Meadow.

Commenced shearing. 25th commenced, shearing, - with Bristock only besides my own servants.
26th Sunday. -

S. 27th Shearing. Burgess came to shear. - Sheppard took 60 wethers at 25/- each.
to W. Sheppard. 28th Two shearers, Knight & James arrived, with Martin the washwinder, last
night. -

29th Shearing. - Wm & H. North sheepwashing. -

30th Ditto W. North and I went (riding Jessie) to the West End Riv^t, and
West End Rivulet. walked slowly for 2 or 3 hours up its bed & sides gathering masses. -
I had hoped to reach the rocks at the foot of the steep part of the
mountain, but the upper part of our walk was so rough from
underwood & ferns, with logs & brushwood that we desisted from
the attempt. On the way home collected some orchids with their

Dec 1st & 2nd Last night's rain prevented our shearing during these two days: the wool was pressed however, leaving room for upstoring the fleeces better.

3rd Sunday.

4th Shearing. - I hear that the seven bushrangers (five of whom escaped from Port Arthur) have been seen near Port Sorell. - I burnt some rushes in Marsh Meadows.

5th Shearing.

6th Shearing. - Shearing, W. E. Martin came, bringing a W. ballum with him, who is engaged to be married to Miss Pitcairn. - Sold W. Braamish a ^{bat} cow for £15 which he paid for in notes.

8th Capt. Mackenzie came, and, in the afternoon returned to Deloraine.

I sent Sims with the gig taking Miss M. there, en route for Table Cape, her home. Gave Miss M. £15. - W. Martin & W. Leadburn left in the forenoon.

9th Shearing. - W. Braamish bought a cow for £15, which he paid ^{in notes} (about).

10th Sunday. Revd M. Whittier here.

11th I promised ^{£20 & a place} for the proposed school-house & church at Middle Plain. Shearing.

12th Finished shearing.

13th 4 shearers & Bristock left this morning. - Taylor & Williams want £50 a year: I am to give them an answer in a few days. - Thomas rehires (after a month) until harvest at £1 a week.

14th Yesterday, I made a temporary dam in the irrigatⁿ channel below the sluice in Colt Padk, & found that the water rises sufficiently to run over the upper part of that padk. - Returned Pearce the £14 paid for a steer.

15th Lowered the dam in the channel, & turned the water down towards the trough to water Obligate Padk: the trough & sides of the gate leak very much, though only muddled the other day; & the water does little good, not getting away from the trough fast enough. - Taylor's but keeper Grange discharged: he talks for the present. - Paid Glandus £27.6.5 in full for wages &c. to Dec 20th 54. - Drawⁿ Prasophyllum sp.

16th Bristock returned yesterday, and is now managing the irrigation of Obligate Padk. - W. North went with me & opened a ~~box~~ carrier or two. Martin is making a good job of the woolly skins: they appear to be washed very clean. Busy drawing Prasophyllum sp.

17th Sunday.

18th Helped Bristock with the irrigation. - Drawing Prasophyllum of which there appear to be two or three closely allied species, & many varieties of each. - Elmer & Sims had a quarrel, & Sims struck Elmer violently in the face, giving him a black eye, &c.

Dec 1st & 2nd

the seven bushrangers.

W. Martin & W. Leadburn

£15 to Miss M.

W. Martin & W. Leadburn

finished shearing.

Taylor & Williams

to irrigate

Colt Padk.

but keeper

Glandus

Bristock

Prasophyllum

quarrel between Elmer & Sims

There are of course two stories of the affair; but either way Sims was in the wrong in striking Glmer, - especially as being an elderly man, no match for him. - In nine cases out of ten brute force is resorted to by men who are destitute of true courage. -

Dec^r 18th
C. S. Shephard

Glmer went to Deloraine to take out a summons for Sims. - Shephard came. He has paid £105 for the 100 wethers, 40 of which he has yet to receive. I sold him 1 cow for £15, - 2 steers for £36, - & 2 calves for £3.10. - He took away the cow, C.H. helping him to

In re Chudleigh R^d Dist.
Meeting at Westbury

Deloraine. - Wrote ^{yesterday} to the Surveyor Gen^l about my applicⁿ to be excluded from Chudleigh Road District. - Wrote ^{yesterday} to the Editor of the Stone Examiner a letter to the effect that the proposed Road Meeting at Westbury on the 20th instant will not be in accordance with the acts of Council affecting the Road Districts.

Herrings

Went with W.H. to the Meander, killed 15 herrings. -

In re Chudleigh R^d Dist.
Herrings

20th Wrote to the Ball Secⁿ about exclusion from the Chudleigh R^d Dist. Killed 33 herrings. - Irrigating - Drawing orchids. -

40 J. Peibey on return
S. C. 2 heifers to W. Marriott

21st Wrote to the Rev^d J. Peibey to congratulate him & his wife on their return to V.D.S. - Killed 33 herrings. - Irrigating. Draw^s orchids.

22nd Sold 2 heifers to W. Marriott for £30 which he paid in notes. Stook away the heifers. - W. Marriott came; - W. Adams was too ill to accompany him. - Walked through the meadows, & to the irrigation in Colt Park. -

Fishing

23rd Fishing with W. Marriott. Killed 54 herrings. - he 20 or 22. -

Christmas

24th Sunday. -

25th Christmas Day. - Prayers in the forenoon. Rode out with Mr M. in the afternoon to visit the Falls. but he felt too poorly to go further than the Sine Kils. - A very quiet Christmas time. -

W. Adams's horse &c.

26th W. Marriott left, Sims driving him to Deloraine. He rode up W. Adams's horse, which is to be turned out for a while, & the saddle & bridle left here. - Rode to the vicinity of the "old pond" to look for a whitish Prasoephyllum, but could not find it. -

Pressing John Keegan

27th Packing the remainder of fleeces & locks, & some of the skins. - Yesterday, hired John Keegan for 3 wethers for £13. -

Bales numbr. wool. Mr. Syteton. W. McIntyre

28th McCrostie numbered the bales of wool & skins. - There are 41 bales of fleece wool, - 3 bales of locks, - & 4 bales of ^{woolly} skins, - No 114 to 161. -

Sent Allen to learn whether Mrs. Syteton & party have arrived at Mr. Hoorn's: they have not. - Rev. W. McIntyre here. Appointed the 2nd instant to meet Newchumb's committee at Mr. Parker's. -

29th Rainy weather. Allen could not cross the ford. -

30th W. Alfred Home drove Mr. Syteton & Rowley Davies to Chesnut

Stock & Prop - 1854 Dec 1st -

48 ac Oats	30 bush beas:	
10 " "	1 1/2 tons ..	Day -
1 " Potatoes	4 " " "	
59 in crop -		20 horses
500 other cultivated land. -		405 cattle
14081 - - in " " -		3830 sheep

today, - they having reached Bournbank on Thursday last, shortly after Allen left. -

31st Sunday. -

1st Drove to Bealstock Lane, and brought Mr Davies & children (who came there in their carriage) thence to Cheshunt. -

2nd Rode to W Rooke's, & met the members of the old "New Church Committee". Revd W Williams resigned, & (W Rooke?) A. Hoare & I were appointed members. - Dined at Mr Thos Aubris. Told them my intention to resign my seat in Council and go to England. - Rode to Westbury. -

3rd Into Lammerton by the coach & 4th Disputed matters connected with the division of the estates & payment of debts & legacies with my Brother. The Attorney Gen's opinion to be taken on one or two points. Wykeadow applied to me for 6 mos Int on Yowl's £3000. - I told him I had written to W Brooks to pay it in England, at myowl's request. Wrote to W Brooks ^{on} the 3rd to pay it.

~~Rode~~ Went by coach to Westbury. -

5th To Cheshunt. - Mr Lytleton & party left on the 3rd. -

6th

7th Sunday. -

8th Mr John Thomas came and bought about 800 bushels of oats, to be delivered here, at 5/8 a bushel, he finding bags. -

Killed 5 doz + 3 herrings below the ford. -

9th Examined cows set apart for the breeding herd. -

10th Drawing orchids. At the irrigation, &c. - Arranged with Mr J. Field about widening the main drain; and the proportions of our payments. -

11th Mr Bramish came with 3 teams & left the drays; to take some of Thomas's oats away tomorrow. W McCroft at Belorama Bagged up more than 80 bags - 3 1/2 bushels in each. -

12th W B's teams took away bushels. -

13th Steeg is to have 6/- a rod for deepening Mile drain. ^{100 yds} thus; and an allowance of 4 more at the high bank. -

14th Sunday. - Revd J. W Nutye here. - L O B K O R O O. -

15th to 18th Rode into Knight's Corner, and round the low ground, which forms a better sheep or cattle run than I expected. -

There were some of Ayton's cattle there, and I saw about 12 of my steers. - Rode round Blowing Marsh, which will make a very fine farm. I must arrange to have it broken up, and laid down with grass & clover. - Steeg is making good work of the Mile drain; which will now drain the land below its origin from the main drain, on both sides of

18th the latter. - Caught some 3 doz herrings. - I ~~have~~ sold, on

1855. - Jan 4
Mrs Davies & children.
Meeting of Church Com.
Dined at J. K. A.'s
to Westbury.
Met J. A. Ald. & paid of debts &c.
Wrote Gen's opin.
Int due to myowl.
to Westbury
to Cheshunt.

Sold oats to J. Thomas.
Herrings.
Mr Thos Field's main drain. Steeg.
Oats for Thomas.

Deepen 5 mile drain. Steeg's
Knight's Corner.

Blowing Marsh.
James Sparrow's spin in land.
Herrings.

S. 200 ewes to Shepherds.
1 Steer Do.
C. Paymt. - Jan 9. 19th

the 15th with 200 ewes (fat) to Shepherds for £150, and a steer with a swelled jaw for £13: - there will be a deduction from the amt due for these of £2.8.8 for beef & veal returned to me, for use. - Shepherds paid £160.11.4 into the U.S. on the 16th.

O. 924 bush. of oats to Thomas.

Drove the tandem cart to Deloraine, & brought Mrs J. Archer of Panshanger & Mrs Rose to Cheshunt: they arrived yesterday at Poole's in their carriage. - 924 bush. of oats have been deliv^d to Thomas.
20th Writing letters, - and sketching, &c. - Culling old letters & papers. -
21st Sunday. -

Mr. Webster to leave at end of this year.
Engaged Mr. Phil. Pitt.
Resignation of Mr. D.C. & J.P.

22nd Told Mr Webster that I had written to Mr Philip Pitt to engage him to manage Cheshunt while I am in England, - & therefore that I shall not require him. - Wrote to P. Pitt on the 20th agree^d to give him £300 a year, he find^s his own horse: and that we ^{on the same day} would make other arrangements when we meet. - Wrote to the ball see^r enclosing notes of resignation of seat in L. Council, & commission as J.P. - Took Mrs J.A. & Mrs R. to the "Swallow-hole", into which no water was falling! -

No water in Swallow-hole.
Repairing Brigat's Channel.
Stewings.

23rd With Brigstock & Heegan making a dam to secure the lower side of Brigat's Chan^{el} behind Colt Park. Walked with Mrs J.A. & Mrs R., &c., to the swim below Lower Hill N. fence (bound^d) and killed some 2 doz herrings.

Fire in Mt Plain.

24th With Brigstock repairing side of Brigat's Chan^{el}, & directing the irrigation of Colt Park, & Storky Park, &c. - Rode out to a fire in Mt Plain, made by Elmer: there appears to be no chance of injury resulting from it. -

Sale at Panshanger to buy lambs.

25th Day of J.A.'s sale at Panshanger. I have written to P. Pitt to buy the lambs for me at not more than 8/-: there are about 1400. - ~~There are about 1400.~~

Mrs J.A. Archer & Mrs Rose leave.

26th Not well. In the house nearly all day. -
27th Drove Mrs J.A. & Mrs R. to Harrett's Sugarloaf & walked along the bridle paths with them. Since drove them to Deloraine. - I made a sketch of the "Sugarloaf" from the opposite side of the river. - Frode home by the G. Falls Run. -

Brigat's.

28th Irrigating in backfoot corner. -
29th Sunday. -

Paid Cape &c.

29th C.H. went to Deloraine. - He paid Copet Henry & Horie (pure Hayes), - in full to Jan 21. 55. - Met him on his way back at the plain near Harrett's Sugarloaf, & we found 10 or 12 specimens of two curious little Prasophyllums. He found almost all. - I procured a small umbelliferous plant at the river. - Mr Douglas's team (2 wagons) arrived bringing deals, and piping & guttering. - Killed over 2 doz. herrings at the lag swim. -

Curious little Prasophyllum.
Mr Douglas's wagons.
34 Bales of wool sent away.

30th Sent away 34 Bales of wool by Mr Douglas's wagon. - Irrigat^d.

Taylor & Jas Elmer left with 339 Wethers and 300 ewes for the sale at Carrick on Thursday next. —

Jan 2
Feb 4
Prizes at Carrick Sale.
Curious small
orchid.
Stage & mate
drawings
in Spiranthus
sheep on
W. Plain

31st Drawing orchids &c. — Irrigating. Prieststock ill. —

1st Sale at Carrick. — Rain in the afternoon. —

2nd Mr Kestie returned from sale. — 20 Wethers sold at 15/3, the remainder at 14/6, & the Ewes at 12/6; — 3 were lost on the road. — Found near Garrett's Sugarloaf 2 more specimens of the small orchid (B) Prasophyllum, with slightly open flower. —

3rd Drawing orchids. — Rode to Blowing Rock. Inspected drain by Stage & mate. — Told them not to leave the throwout earth in the way of falling back into the drain. — Could not find a specimen of Spiranthus across the principal drain in Blowing Rock, where I found the other. — Saw 3 sheep, branded on rump in W. Plain on my way home. —

4th Sunday.
Wethers & Ewes
for Carrick Sale.

5th Taking inventory of books to sell & keep. — Sent John Elmer & Williams with 203 Wethers & 213 Ewes to Deloraine for sale at Carrick on the 11th. — Irrigatⁿ in Marsh Meadow. —

Sale at Carrick.
Rutally.

6th Taking inventory of books & furniture. —

7th Rode to Carrick and attended the sale. The Wethers were sold at 15/3 for 20, & 15/- for the remainder (204 in all, included 5 one picked up at East's, hav^g been left last time of sale.) the Ewes were sold for 13/3 each — (211 in number, — 2 hav^g been sold by Elmer on the road. — Went on to Rutally, & remained the night there, — Mr & Mrs Reiby hav^g returned a short time since from England. — 800 lambs ^{to Cheshunt.} on their way. —

Brickendon.

8th Rode to Woolmers Cottage, & saw Mr & Mrs Stanhouse. — Mrs W. W. suffer^g severely from a 'coup de soleil'. — Returned to Brickendon for the night. —

old families
documents.
Meeting of the
Wives at Woolmers.

9th Looked through, with Mr W. Archer some old documents connected with my "ancestors"; which I agreed to look over with him at a future time. — Rode to Woolmers Cottage & met my Mother, R. 2 (Kermode), & J. A., to consult about various matters connected with the separation of our estates, — and the sending of Tho^s C. Archer to England. I am to advertise more stock for sale at Deloraine. — Rode to Rutally for the night. —

Rutally.
W. W. meet.
at
pile yards at
Deloraine.
whitely

10th Rode to Cheshunt. — Examined the sale yards at Deloraine on the way and decided to send down only a portion of the cattle that are to be sold on account of the insufficient height & strength of most of the yards, through which the cattle would be likely to break. —

11th Sunday. Rev^d from Rutally here. — Returned home. —

Feb 7 12th. - Brown came to see Glanders who had a slight attack of paralysis on the right side the other day. - He is better. Dr B. tells me that that I have very little the matter with me, and that the lungs appear quite free from disease. - One of the B ranches was here today to buy some steers for workers: I ~~sold~~ ^{offered} him 4-5 yr old steers at £13 a head; He is to give me an answer this week. - John Jones the painter came on Saturday, - His to commence work at once.

S. Offered 4 steers to Branish. Jones. Painter.

13th & 14th. - Busy arranging papers &c. &c.

Dr W. H. Harvey.

15th. Drove Snip in the gig to Deloraine & brought here Dr W. H. Harvey, the celebrated algologist, who has come to Tasmania to collect & study the algae. - Walked to Burns Creek, & gathered a few wafers.

Botanising ditto.

16th. Botanised with Dr H. in Tent Creek.

17th. Rode with Dr H. to the Celery-topped Pines, and the plain near Garrett's Sugarloaf, - where we found a few plants in flower, - among them *Cryptosiphis longifolia*.

18th Sunday.

Cummings Head.

19th. To Cummings Head with Dr Harvey, taking Taylor & Jas Bluer to carry a rug, tent, & provisions. - Made some fires on the way up. Reached the summit at 4 to 12, after 5 3/4 hours walking & riding, - having sent the ponies back before entering the scrub. - Found my little cistern empty, & descended to the plain. ^{Fixed a place for} ~~set up~~ the tent, and then walked down the E. Creek, looking at the pines, (*Atrostachya cupressoides*, & *selaginoides*, & *Phyllocladus asplenifolia*), and gathering some masses. - Returned in good time & set up the tent.

20th. After a comfortable night on a bed of *Leptospermum sericeum*, Dr H. & I started for the W. Creekside the plain, picking seeds of *Ranunculus gymnaeus*, *Gentiana* sp., *Euphrasia collina*, & *strata*, - *Celmisia asteliaefolia*, &c. The wind was very cold. At the upper part of the rivulet we found two kangaroos' huts, where there were some dog chains & allars. & the marks of their employment. - Had a splendid view of the S side of the Head, & the country below, gathered some more seeds, and returned to the tent laden with *Cenomyce retifera*, for Dr H. - Dined, & made our way homewards again, finding the fires burning furiously and spreading over the N. face of the mountain. - Reached home at about 6 o'clock. My Brother arrived soon afterwards, bringing his wife, & baby, with her nurse.

S. for arrived. Lots of Chestnut sheep & cattle at Deloraine.

21st. Sent 663 store sheep, 400 fat sheep, and 40 cattle (consisting of 13 fat steers, 6 store do, 8 fat cows, 8 large fat heifers, 5 small fat do) to Deloraine to be sold by auction, by Mr Weedon. - They sold as follows. - Fat sheep 15/6 - 100 store sheep 14/ - 563 ditto 13/6 (Wags) - 13 fat s. 1/3 - 6 store do 1/2 - 8 fat c. 1/4

50 of my W. Mr Braumick's steers to Shephard;

8 large h. £13, - 5 small do £11. - I sold 50 of my lot at 15¢ picked, to W Braumick: the remainder to be taken back to Chestnut. - Delivered to Shephard, his 3 steers for which he paid some time since. He paid also £75 for 100 wethers run off to him out of those selected for the sale. - Mr Braumick paid \$52 for the 4 steers, - \$ £37.10 for the 50 w. to my amount. - My Brother went down to the sale with me. - P. Pitt helped Mr Rostie with the cattle. -

estate affairs. value for all the cattle.

22nd - Arranged various matters connected with the division of our property with my Brother. Decided to buy the remaining store steers at the sale price £12. Reckoned them at 22, (there are 27) - and also to make an offer through a friend for all the remaining cattle excepting the yearlings. - The amount due for these will give us assets sufficient to pay off all liabilities of the estates of my late Father, and thus set our estates free. -

P. Pitt left Chestnut. P. Pitt's way also. fire on the Sugarloaf. value of Jersey.

23rd Still working at Estate matters until my Brother left at about 9 o'clock. I am to send to Woolmens for the sheep that will fall to my share after the division of property. - Sent Dr H. to Deloraine by Sims. - There is a fire on the upper part of the Sugarloaf Run making its way downwards. - Before Dr H. left he rode to it with P. Pitt & myself. - I am told that I can get £40 for Jersey. -

fire in Sugarloaf Run. above Mr Padk.

24th Put up my flowering plants & cucumbers from the mountain. Rode to the fire in Sugarloaf Run, which is raging fiercely, & within a mile or so of the log fence, - and to the fire which has descended the side of the mountain within 1 1/2 mile of the log fence above Mr Padk. -

fires.

25th Sunday. - The wind having become southerly I rode to look at the fire above Mr Padk, & P. Pitt to Sugarloaf Run: they have both advanced considerably towards the log fence. -

Halls Run with P. Pitt. Stag's ditching.

26th Checked the Sugarloaf Run fire. Mr Rostie left with his Brother. Rode with P. Pitt over the greater part of the Gulls Run, and to the place where Stag is working at Mile drain, which he will finish scouring this week, & show through the Simsbills. -

10 steers from Knight's Corner.

27th Went with P. Pitt, Mr Rostie, Dell, & son, and Stag, to Knight's Corner, and brought to Chestnut 10 steers of 4 yrs old & more, - together with 5 or 6 of Mr Field's cattle includ^d a bull. - There are now 37 steers in Bee Padk.

seaweed. wool skins to London.

28th Arranging seaweeds. - Wrote to Mr Procks, sending bill of lading of 48 bales of woolled skins & wool from Chestnut, & 5 bales of w. s. W. from Woolmens, on board the "Sarsak Anna", also particulars of the same & the wool shown at Woolmens in Nov^r last 113 bales. - The whole nett quantity of wool sent this season is about 506 1/2 lb. & of woolled skins 2537 lbs.

and the probable nett proceeds will be about £4000. - The fire Feb 28th (contin^d) - from the mountain (Cun^d's Head) has at length reached the log fence at the top of W^m Padh, - W^m Rostie & P. Pitt have gone with some men to put it out. I rode round by the main sluice and the lower end of Sugarloaf Run, and found no signs of the fire having started again there. - Set some more water down the channel from the double sluice. -

nett proceeds of wood.
Fire top of W^m Padh
Sugarloaf Run.

March 1st - Busy selecting the specimens of W^m plants & mosses to take to England. -

2 - Ditto-ditto. - Settled with W^m Rostie. -

3rd - Ditto-ditto. - W^m Rostie left. - Taylor & Gardner brought 567 - 2 & 4 teeth withers from Woolmers, & 361 - 2 teeth ewes: they are 3 W. short of the number said to have been counted to them.

4th Sunday. - Not well enough to reach the morning service. -

5th W^m Scott, the Surveyor, came, and commenced making a complete map of the Estate. - Busy with plants. -

6th Selecting plants as before. -

7th Designing house for R. B. K. - Rev^d W^m Dwyer^{son} came. - W^m Archedaon also. W^m Archedaon & W^m Davies arrived. - A man named Swan came about the thrashing machine, which he seemed to say he did not now require. I referred him to W^m Karp, who sold it to him for me.

8th W^m Scott left to complete the outline of the W. Creek below the Falls, & then to proceed to Whiteford Hills. - Went with the Archdeacon to the Meander in the afternoon & killed some 4 1/2 doz herrings: he killed 6 or 8. -

9th Swan came again about the thrashing machine, which he hoped would be forwarded to Deloraine on Monday. - A. with the Archdeacon & W^m D. & I went to the Meander, & we killed 3 doz & 3 herrings. -

10th The Archdeacon left with W^m D. - Designing house for R. B. K. - Rode to Flowing Plain with P. Pitt, & pointed out place for homestead. - Gardner brought 940 Breeding Ewes: there are 3 at Baranibels, & 1 is at Shephard's. -

11th Sunday. - Rev^d W^m Dwyer came, read the 4th Service, preached, & returned home.

12th Sent the drum &c. of the thrashing machine to Deloraine for Swan. - W^m Rostie came. I sent a cheque for £50 to W^m G. K. Anker for Deloraine new Church. -

13th Rode with ^{P. Pitt} W^m Rostie to the Falls Run, & agreed to let W^m R. the land bounded by the Meander, N. fence of P^r Marshall's grant, W. bound^d of W^m Reed's grant, & the log fence, about 550 acres for 6 years, giving him right of purchase at the end of that term at £3.10 an acre: he paying as rent 5 per cent on the price of the land for the first 3 years, & 6 per cent for the last 3 years. - He & P. Pitt went to the sale at Bentley; and I rode home along

W^m Rostie left. - Sheep from Woolmers.

W^m Scott.

Archdeacon Davies here. - Thrash's machine.

W^m Scott left. - Herrings.

Thrash's machine.

Herrings. - The Archdeacon left. - Sheep from Woolmers.

Thrash's machine to Swan. - £50 to Deloraine new Church fund.

W^m Rostie to have abt 550 ac of Falls Run. - Bentley sales.

this W. boundary of W. Woods grant; finding that there is some very rich land belonging to Boyer's grant between it & the brow of the hill.

March 14th McKastie & J. Elmer started with 40 yearling cattle & 6 old cows for Woolmers, P. Pitt helping them to Deloraine. They did not get the cows down, and lost 5 of the yearlings near Bramich's Sugar-loaf.

the Essex.

Mr's Stocking & Captain to Woolmers.

3rd Sale at Woolmers.

(April) Sale of my furniture at Deloraine. Left Cheshunt for Brickendon.

(May) Next meeting. New trustee. Difficulty. Detained. Perfect papers. money.

(June) Left Brickendon. Sale for Cheshunt. Ship to Shepherd. 50 to Dean. Sale by Bramich. Messrs 5 to Regent. Decline for W. Rear Shepherd's boats.

15th It appears that the Essex is not to sail until the 25th April, nearly a month later than the agents told me: this will alter my plans for sale of furniture &c., to say nothing of the nuisance of being detained when we are ready to go. - Taylor started on the 13th riding ^{high} Stockings leading Captain for the sale at Woolmers: he is to bring the last draft of sheep for me. - I have been busy during the last few days selecting specimens of plants to take with me to England. -

16th From the 15th no regular journal having been kept I merely note in heads the various movements & occurrences until this journal is resumed. The Exors made a sale at Woolmers on the 21st March, & P. Pitt purchased for me 1254^{12/3} 4-Yeth Wethers, 400⁰⁰ 2-Yeth Wethers, 3 Oxen, 5 Cows, - 4 Steers & Heifers (at Cheshunt), - & 6 cans oil &c. - Total amount £1099.13.6. - for which I gave a bill at 3 mos. - We were all busy

until the 17th Apr^l packing & prepar^d for the voyage. Apr^l 17th sale of furniture &c. at Deloraine; also some articles for Exors, - some of which I purchased. - Met E. Martin at Deloraine with Indian friends. On the 25th left Cheshunt - reached Brickendon 26th, hav^g remained at E. Martin's for the night. - Head-quarters at Brickendon. In

Ston several times evening & Mathis connected with the Trust, and finally all went in preparatⁿ to leav^g for Melbourne. Difficulty, as to Trustee in my place. W. Edw. Burton this father. - W. Wedge. - W. Gleadon. My unnecessary detention to convey to the new Trustee who was not forthcoming as W. E. Burton declined. - Expended passage money by the Lady Bird & George Marshall. - Luggage sent back to Cheshunt. New furniture bought. - Left Brickendon on the June. E. Martin's. - reached

Cheshunt next day. - Settling the house to rights. - Settled down again. 100 Wethers to Shepherd. £110 p^d into W.B. June 26th - 27th 300 Wethers to W.M. Dean p^d £160 into W.B. - 150 to remain till 1st Aug^t at 2/- a head additⁿ. July 10th Bramich p^d into W.B. for 8 steers £145. - July 13th J. Rogers. £1.17.6 for 37 1/2 lb. bacon. - 17th W.M. Dean £200 into W.B. for Wethers. leav^g bal^{ce} of £15 due by him. Sold 2 oxen to him for £65. - July 20th. 50 Wethers to Shepherd. p^d into W.B. £55. - & £4.16 for 12 B^l Oats. -

to Stou
to hire
rentally
by
W. Porter
of
Pork
W. Deal
Pulled down
\$50 W. to
\$50 W. to
Cash to U.S.
Dams in
Borrow
Pruning
Marching
Check to
Cunningham
Sept 25
Stone Pines
Rock lichens
Bramichs to
young pines
Amelia Elmer
left
Road through
Marchside
Path up
Cunningham
Stem to
Bramich

On the 29th June to Entally - 30th into Stou by Woodley's conveyance. - Immigrants
by Whirlwind. Back to Entally, July 2nd to Quamby. 3rd Home. - W. Porter
death on the 2nd. - (While at Entally went to church on the 1st at Carrick -
chanting of responses in Ditany &c.) - Busy collecting specimens of fungi
during July & Aug^t, and drying them. Drawings of Porch^{ts} for Brickendon
deals from Stou. Corn mill. - 100 B's wheat from W. Bramich at
£1 a bushel. P. Pitt had not laid in a supply when it might
have been bought at 11/6. - New shrubbery at W. end of house. -
Sather end of plot removed the old cottage between the house
and store. - 20th Aug^t Shepherd P into U.S. £55 for 50 Wethers. -
P. Pitt sold 50 Wethers to A. Bramich of Deloraine for 23/ a head, which
he paid for in notes & cheques. Forwarded two cheques for £40.5.
to U.S. - The dam which I made with the help of Sims & Bentley
at the mouth of the brigat³ Chan^l in Sather's Creek has ^{been} washed
away at the sides, with the clay of the centre. - Aug^t 31st temporarily
repaired it. - I have arranged to borrow £3500 from the Robert
Town Sav^g & BK at 7 percent. p. ann. for 6 years, payable half yearly,
with the option of pay^g off £1000 at the end of 2 yrs - 1000 at the end of 4 yrs
and the rem^r at the end of 6 yrs. - or £2000 at the end of 4 yrs & the rem^r as
before, - or the whole at the end of 6 yrs, - on giv^g notice. -
I have employed myself at times also pruning the trees & bushes,
planting out shrubs & trees, - and also in making a pathway
through the forest ^{on} the ~~W~~ side of Cumming's Head, towards the
summit, in the line of my regular tracks on the N. side. Reading
aloud Warren's "£10000 a year" at night. - Working a little at
Latin & French. - Microscopising, - drawing a little. - &c &c &c &c -
Transplanted 7 Stone Pines from the garden to the enclosure by the side of the
Bull Pad^g & Stable Pad^g fences, - and one Sassafras. Collected a few rock lichens. -
Made up this journal sketchily from March 16th to this day. Two of the
Bramichs are to come next week to buy ^{but} ^{the day before} steers. -
obtained ^{at Pine Bank} some very young celery-topped pines, sassafras, beech, &c. &
yesterday put them in a box - 9 in each compartment. Amelia Elmer
left Chestnut yesterday "for good": I hope so in both senses. -
Sunday. Morning Prayers. Read one of Hiddlestone's sermons. -
Working in the avenue. In the afternoon rode to the Simelikin. &
marked out the line of road, through W. & B. North's farm of Marshside.
Collected some specimens of lichens & fungals. -
4th Busy working at my path up Cumming's Head. Collected lichens
& fungals. P. Pitt sold 2 steers to A. Bramich who paid him, & he
gave me the money, £32. From W. Porter also a cheque for

Bank credit given by my late father on amount of the G. & Co. notes, - I saw Mr Jennings the Manager of the W.B. with a view to inducing him to allow me a Bank credit for 6 or 8 mos until I could hear from Mr R. Brooks, to whom I purposed writing for a loan to be obtained in England at 5 per cent instead of 7 which I sh^d have to pay here. - He is to give me an answer on the 16th. - Saw Mr Gleadon, & gave him plans & particulars of the land let to W. H. Hottle & H. M. Rostie, & the covenants of leases. - Requested him to see Mr Jennings as to the security which the Bank sh^d require for the credit of £5000 which I require. - Saw my Brother in Town, he having just returned by way of Hobart Town from Sydney. - Rode back to Entally. -

Security to Union Bank.

£80 from Wm. Deau.

Wolleshunt. 15th Rode to Breshunt. - Saw Mr Bramich sent on the way about the alterations which he is making in the road. - and told him that he ought not to alter it without the permission of the parties to the right of way through his farms. -

Bread from Bramich's wheat.

Letter to Council. -

Plants from Ward's case.

Swallows.

Swallows. Layers of Laurel planted out.

Snipe. Sand between Ward's drains.

15th Rode to Breshunt. - Saw Mr Bramich sent on the way about the alterations which he is making in the road. - and told him that he ought not to alter it without the permission of the parties to the right of way through his farms. -
16th Sunday. Read the morning Prayers, & a sermon of Girdlestone's.
17th I hear that great complaints are being made about the flour from Bramich's wheat; Mr Horne seems to have been right about it. - Showery weather. -
18th Wrote a letter to the Editor of the N. Town Courier, recommending that the Council should pass an Act to remove all doubts as to its power; and then if that were not confirmed by the Governor to fall back on the resistless power of "resistance". - Gardening. Shifted all the plants out of the Ward's case, & put some of them in a box ready for replacing when required; - thus I planted in the garden: several have died. - A large number of swallows appeared about the house today for the first time. The first swallow appeared about the 26th of Aug^t; - another came on the 2nd Sept^r; - remained a day or two, & then disappeared for a day, returning again & remaining until now. The two swallows are building a nest under the verandah. -
19th Only the two swallows - a pair - to be seen today. - Planted out in the newly made ground (site of the old cottage) several plants of Laurel & Lawestinus. - Rode with P. Pitt to the ground between the drains in Halls Run, - and shot 2 couple of snipe after much difficulty, the birds being very wild, & my gun small. Examined the land between the main drain and the Western Creek, & found it much better than I thought it was: several parts of it, in all probably 25 to 30 acres being susceptible of cultivation at once, with

very little clearing, - though it requires a little drainage: - the rent might be 3/- to 4/- for the first year or two, & afterwards 5/ or 6/.

The new enclosure for wattles by the Bull Park fence was completed about 10 days since. -

new enclosure for wattles.

sowed seeds. Peas. W. to Wells.

40 per cent. of lambs. fine flour.

with. from potatoes put in.

transplanted Laurel Laurestinus

Richard Pitt.

land for farms in Kalls Lane.

Buxbaumia.

wild flowers.

W. Plain & West End. farm offered to R. Pitt. rent.

Sept 20th Busy in the garden chiefly. - Sowed seeds of Early North Cabbage in a small bed next the fence. - large York next to it, & lettuce near the walk; also brows of "Queen of the Dwarfs" Pea. -

21st Gardening. & writing letters. - W Wells of Deloerine came, bought, paid, £42.14. - for, and took away 37 ^{fat} wethers. -

22nd Gardening. - Rhetoric. - Collected a few specimens of rock-lichens. P. Pitt says that our percentage of lambs is about 40! - Whew! He obtained today from W. Horne 3 bags about 600 lb of fine flour, to mix with that from Bremich's Wellington wheat.

23rd Sunday. - Read morning Prayers. & one of ~~the~~ Becker's lectures. - 1st Comm.

24th Rainy weather. - Rhetoric. - Drawing a bracket for the clock-stand. -

25th Re-writing my Will, & simplifying it considerably. - P. Pitt plough^s in potatoes in Hygeia Park. - Showery weather. -

26th Showery weather. - Transplanted some layers of laurel & Laurestinus into shrubbery. W. of the house, and moved & cleared the earth from some young gum-trees in the avenue. -

27th Showery weather. Completing my will. -

28th On my way to the Kalls today to examine some land to be marked off into farms, I met ^{at marshside,} Richard Pitt, who is making an excursion with a view to securing a good farm on leaving his present one, the lease of which he has agreed to sell to his landlord. Directing him as to the road to Chestnut house, I rode on and inspected the land, with which I was tolerably well satisfied. There is some beautiful ground in places close under the hill, and fine clear land on the plain below the road. - Examined

the Buxbaumia station at the Kalls, but did not find any plants of it. -

Took home a bouquet of *Pultenaea subumbellata*, *Tetrathera pilosa*, *S. glandulosa* (in bud), *Gaeris imprefa* (var. rub. Kall) *Bauera* (not quite out), *Pomadouria elliptica* (in bud), & *Sprengelia incarnata*; *Acacia dealbata* is now in full bloom; also *A. melanoxylon*, & *L. Gunnii*. -

29th Rode with Richard & Philip Pitt over W. Plain & West End runs, - ~~the~~ R. having an idea of renting a farm from me including the latter part of the former. I partly offered him 580 acres above Flourey Marsh, at about the following rents, - £145 a year, first year, £174 the second, & £232 (I think) for the next 3 years; - or £232 for the next 5 years, & £290 for the next 3 years, of a 10 years lease. - He is to let me know whether or not he will continue on his present farm. -

Sept^r 30th - Sunday. - Read a lecture of Archbishop Secker's on the 2nd Command mt. -
 Oct^r 1st - My groom Humphreys, having had a little dog given to him for his little boy, was roused last night by P. Pitt, on account of its howling and this morning told by him that he must destroy it. It seems they had a sharp squabble, Humphreys refusing to part with the dog. I spoke to him some hours afterwards with a view to inducing him quietly to get rid of the dog, he being a servant belonging to the house & not the farm; but he became very insolent, - told me to "ship them off at once in the waggon"; and so on. I told him that had it not been for his consenting to make himself useful cutting wood, & in the garden, I could not have kept him for he was not a first-rate groom. At this he became very angry, insolent, and almost threatened to strike his wife who was passing, & attempted to mollify him, telling her, notwithstanding my wishing to speak to her, to be off home." I stood between him & his wife, who went away. - Finally, I told him that he might give me a month's notice; & he said he was ready to go at any time. - I took him to the pond in Town-hill Run, in hopes he would express his sorrow for his misconduct, which he did not do. - I rode Jessy to Westbury, putting up at Mr. Martin's. On the way, I called at Mr. Horne's steam-mill (which seems to be very complete in all its parts. He offered me "seconds" flour at £38 a ton, & fine flour at £42. -

Humphreys' misconduct.

Mr. Horne's mill.

2nd. Proceeded to Lannerton by coach, & stopped at the Cornwall Hotel. There I met my Brother, my Mother, Mrs E. S. and Mr. Kermode. We calculated the amount of personalty to be divided, (included the amt due by me for stock,) and arranged to divide it at once. - I arranged matters with J. C. to enable me to meet my bills, ^{for £7230.2.3} for which purpose he gave me a bill of exchange for £3300; & I paid it, into the Bank ^{to my credit,} along with my share of the personalty, in all a sum of £7606.0.11. I am to give him a note for by way of indemnity, as it being called upon for the payment of this accept, and I instructed Mr. Gleadon ^{afterwards} to that effect. - Paid various small bills. There was a meeting of the Philharmonic Soc^y opposite the Hotel for practice; and a concert (Promenade) in the Hotel Great Room, where the audience walked round & round during the performance, raising ^{a dense fog} clouds of dust, and drawing the more delicate parts of the performance by the shuffling & stamping of their feet. Rec^d a packet of Miss^y papers &c. &c. from Rev^d A. S. -

Meeting of Grooms.
 Division of personalty.
 J.C.'s accept^{ance} for £3300.
 Indemnities.

Musical Promenade concert.

Oct. 3rd Transacted various commissions for acc. - Instructed Mr. Leadon to prepare the indemnity to my Brother, to cover a renewal of the bill or any other transactions, of course within a certain amount, for bonds. - Inquired at Mr. Buchanan's Registry office for servants, and arranged for his hiring for me a labourer, his wife a laundress, - and a groom, - the two former at £70, the latter at £50. - Started by coach for Westbury. - One of my travelling companions was a beautiful girl named Thompson, whose father is gaoler at Longford. She is a sister of Minnie Thompson, who published a small vol. of poems, and married Mr. Israel Nottle; - they kept a school at ^{one of} the gold stations in Victoria, where she died, leaving a boy, said by my young friend to be a fine little fellow. - This girl was engaged, when she was 16 to a person who became unstable, and was rejected by her after a severe struggle of feeling. She is now engaged to a Miller, named Drivitt, at Melbourne. - I do not know when I have met with so pretty, engaging, modest, & amiable-looking a girl. All good wishes go with her! My other companion was a Mrs. Mary Brown, - a sad widdle I fear, - who had been to see Dr. Clarke, who told her every thing that was the matter with her - even to the fact of her having had something wrong at the public house that morning to her great surprise. She thought him a wonderful man. She kept up a constant rattle during the greater part of the journey, - especially after getting out at East's Hagley Inn. Reached Mr. Martin's Hoped the night there.

4th Rode homewards. - Matton is to send a horse for me to have a month's trial of, on Monday next. - I bought 50 odd bushels of beautiful wheat from J. Thomas at 14/6 a bushel, & bags to hold it. - Met Mr. Rooke & Mr. W. Nicholls on the road. They say there is an immense quantity of land put in with potatoes this year - as much as 300 acres at Circular Head, and a large cultivation of them in Victoria. Mr. R. said he had bought (I think) 100 tons at £9 a ton. I do not like that plan of forestalling the markets. If the price of the market be higher than that agreed to be given, why should not the grower have the benefit of it; if not why should a man bind himself to an actual loss. It is, of course, a species of gambling. - Reached home. Found

Oct. 3rd
indemnity
to J. A.
new
servants.
Westbury
by coach.
travelling
companions.
Mrs. Thompson

Mrs. Brown

Mr. Martin

Matton's
horse.
bought wheat
from Thomas.
Potatoes.

ought before
grown.

Alfred Nicholls's misbehavior that Alfred Nicholls had been misbehaving himself - neglectful & insolent. I gave him notice that I would obtain somebody in his stead as soon as possible. - Frank Pitt came on Thursday last.

My Humphreys's

1st - Mrs Humphreys spoke to me about passing on her husband's fault, which I told her I was ready to do on his acknowledgment of it, & expression of sorrow for it: that if he did not come this morning I should write to town to engage other servants. He did not come, & I wrote to W Seamanth. - Busy in the garden, digging.

\$2 Bulls to Purton

6th - Mr Purton took away 2 year^s Bulls at £6 each, which he paid.

\$C 100 w. to shepherd. Agreement for lease to P. & F. Pitt.

7th - Sunday. - Read Archbishop Secker's lecture on the third commandment.

\$C 41 w. to Wells.

8th - Shepherd paid for 100 w. on the 4th inst, £115 into the U.B. Frank Pitt left Chestnut. - My arrangement with Miss & Philip is to let them the home stead and 4725 acres of freehold, besides 4560 acres of leasehold land, at a rent of £800 a year for 10 years: they having the pasturage of the rented land till the ^{letter} end of 1862. - W Wells paid £49.4.0 for 40 weibers, which he took away.

Elmer about cows.

9th - Elmer asked me to sell him some cows, and to let them be with mine, & milked, until he left in Jan^y next, when he was to have the cows & pay for them. - Of course he would have no interest in them till he left in Jan^y. - I consented, but did not fix the price.

C. paid Thomas & Sipper.

10th - Mr Pitt went to Deloraine. He paid John Thomas's ^{& Sipper's} ~~Aut~~ ^{Aut} - He saw the newly hired groom there, who told him that the ~~Cousin~~ ^{ready on Friday} ~~she~~ ^{she} husband were to be there that night. - Gave Humphreys notice to quit.

No laundry. No Yanny Elmer.

11th - Sent the horse dray to Deloraine; but neither the Cousin's ~~she~~ ^{she} husband were there, nor was Yanny Elmer, who was to have been back from town on Tuesday. - The groom Andrew White came: - he is hired as a groom, & to do general work, at £50 a year, for ~~two~~ ^{two} years.

White the groom. Cattle.

12th - W.A. Bramich took away 2 steers, for which he ~~was~~ ^{was} paid £33 - and £13.16.0 for

\$C W.A. Bramich 2 Steers.

12th - Humphreys's wife left. I bought their mangle for £20, and paid them in full. - P. Pitt rode to Carrick to see if he could get some store sheep for fattening.

Humphreys's wife left. Sale at Carrick.

13th - Solomon who took down Humphreys yesterday returned today with a ton of plow: he struck fast in the ditch in Purrie-stone flat, & lost part of the neck &c. of the waggon. - P. Pitt returned without having bought any sheep: they were small, and bought in at 15/-.

W.A. Bramich's. No laundry.

14th - Sunday. - Read a lecture of Archbishop Secker's on the 4th Commandment. Read Mr White's in the evening, & read the 3^d Prayers &c. -

W.A. Bramich's. Wt track.

15th - Gardening &c. at home. - 16th - Rode up my Wt track, and cleared it for a considerable distance.

Wm. Shell.

My Sister returned.

17th Mt track with P. Pitt.

Signed deeds & returned them.

further. On my way down, I stopped at the Double Falls, and found under a shelf of sandstone a land shell, that may probably prove to be rare, & new. Though dead it was in good preservation.

17th - Fanny Palmer returned yesterday. No word of the landlady, and her husband. - Weeding &c. in the garden. - After dinner went up the Mt track with P. Pitt, and worked on nearly to the foot of the steep part of the Mountain. - It occupied about 45 minutes to return home with the horses; - about 1 1/4 hour's walk, I should imagine. - Before dinner I signed (P. Pitt witness to my signature) two deeds, - one a conveyance from Borradaile Reed & others of the retained part of Hairfield to Messrs Wyleadow & Pitcairn as an indemnity to Mr. O'Connor against annuities &c. saddled on the Hairfield Estate under my Father's Will; - the other a reconveyance of Chestnut (a release in part from the mortgage) from Borradaile Reed & others, to the Trustees of the said Will. - Wyleadow sent me a deed of mortgage by way of indemnity to my Brother for his due for £3300 but I returned it unsigned, as it did not cover a renewal of the bill after the first 3 mos. - Sent them all back by post.

Mt track.

18th Gardening. - In the afternoon I rode up my Mt track with P. Pitt, and, leaving the horses, made a clear path for a considerable distance further.

We made a fire at the pertinent point in order that the smoke might enable me to ascertain from the homestead the position of that spot as regards the ^{W.} summit of the Mt. - In the evening I designed a sepulchral monument for Mr. John Archer of Pauchanger, to ^{be} erected in memory of my late Uncle, her husband. - ΠΟΙΤΗΣ ΕΣ Λ. ΠΕΡΥΚΛΟΝ ΓΟΜΩΡΕΚΕΡΩΟ ΥΡΥΝ ΤΑΒΟΡΤΣ ΠΕΛΟΦ.

Septuagintal monument for Mrs J. A. Sew.

1830

Mt track

19th Completed the design, & sent it to the post with a note. - In the afternoon I rode Jessy up to the same spot as yesterday; and walked on to the place where the fire was. I proceeded beyond it to the last valley but one before the steepest part of the ascent commences. It took me an hour to walk home.

Jockey's Marsh.

sent for descriptive right.

Hortle's bill at 6 mos for £106.

20th Rode to Jockey's Marsh with P. Pitt. - It is a rough wild place, with some fine views of Quamby's Bluff & the "Western View". The plain is covered with coarse grass, apparently a species of poa, and the soil is still very wet. - On the way there I examined the upper portion of the block of 1500 acres of Crown land, with a view to comparing it with the lower portion, and to obtain a transfer to it of my preemptive right if it appear to be a better piece of ground. - I must see the lower part again. - Wm Hortle accepted my draft on him for £106. - being £50 due to me, with 8 per cent. date for 12 mos. - & £50 due to the execs of J. A. dec'd, with 8 per cent for 6 mos. - The bill will be due on the 4th April 1856. - Kenneth McDonald Wife arrived.

October 21st. - Sunday. Read Archbishop Secker's lecture (part 1) on the fifth commandment.
 S. 22nd. - Offered £100 of the best rines in this wool at 27/- a head. Sent to the Union Bk, a ch. £200 P. Pitt, a cheque £157.17.7 to Mr. May Archer, & W. North's bill for collection when due. Rode to Ribby's Ripple &c. looking for herring but found none. Collected some fine young plants of *Phyllocladus aspl.ia*, *Gaultheria h.* & *Sassafras*, at the Pine Bank. -
 Chs to W.S. W. H. Bill No. -
 No herring s.
 Young plants from Pine Bank.
 \$ W. G. Braime about steers. 23rd Mr G. Braime came to buy some fat steers, and I agreed to sell him one at £18 and two or three at £16 each. - He paid £17 for a steer, which he had the other day. - Rode to the East side with a view to obtaining a transfer of my preemptive right if advisable to the upper half of lot 160. - Did not decide. The teams brought a box from Mr. Graham's for Chesson.
 £ Bones from the bank of Chesson.
 S 24th Rainy weather, which prevents my ascending the M^t today. - It will however benefit the crops & gardens greatly. - Elmer wishes to have 2 of the cows that have been so long in milk, & 2 that have just come in. I am to let him know if he can have them: the price to be £14 a head. -
 Elmer's abt Milk Cows.
 S 25th The children began to breakfast in the Nursery again at 7 o'clock. - Rainy weather. - W. Sheph^d came about fat sheep. - He is to have 50 w. -
 Children's breakfast.
 S Shepherd about fat sheep. Busy examining the sporangia of various ferns, with reference to the dispersion of their spores. -
 Sporangia of ferns.
 S 26th Examining sporangia of *Phymatodes Billardieri*, & other ferns, as yesterday. - Rode to Starkhouse Kalls, and gathered on the way some fine ^{flowering} specimens of *Pultenaea juniperina*, *Gnaris unguis* (var. *rubra*, *rosea*, *alba*), & *Gladia latifolia*, *Indigofera australis* (var. *rosea*), *Conosperma valvulata*, & a sp. of *Eurybia*. John Sheph^d, sent by Mr. Llyne, came to take the situation of postman, or waiter, (as it is termed here.) I told him that I should require him for 6 months and would give him wages at the rate of £50 a year. - Alfred Nicholls is to go on Monday. -
 S 27th Examining sporangia of ferns. - Rode to West End after dinner, and then some distance up the hills towards the valley behind Cummings Head. - There appears to be a good space of flat land at the foot of the M^t. - Gathered some fine specimens of a sp. of *Caladenia*, somewhat like *C. gracilis*. -
 S 28th Sunday. Read the 2nd lecture of Archbishop Secker on the 5th Commandment. -
 S 29th In the afternoon rode to the Kalls River to examine the ^{way of joining cut} ~~ditch~~ which is to be enlarged by the ditches at 10/- a rod. - 4 feet to be taken off each side, sloping to the present bottom. I found that many rods in length of it are now quite worn away, by the action of the water to a greater width than ^{that to which} it is proposed to enlarge it. - I must see that the ditches do not charge me for the portions wrought by the water.
 Kalls River. Main drain.
 Washed widew.

Oct 30th Gardening - Alfred Nicholls left. Lamb's wife to Yarrow. -

31st Examined the sheepwash, & directed Sines as to repairs. - Mrs. Brown took away 4 steers. He has paid £48 into the U.S. for 3, and paid today £17 in notes for the fourth. - W. Shepherd took away 36 2. at 2/1, 10 2. at 1/1, & 6 2. at 1/1, - for which he has paid £49.16. - into the U.S. -

Nov 1st Commenced sheepwashing today. - P. Pitt superintended. -
2nd Started at a quarter past 6 o'clock for Cunningham's Head. W.H., myself, Bentley, & Keegan. - Breakfasted half way up. Reached the summit at about 11 o'clock, & had a magnificent view. Rolled down rocks. - Encamped in the valley S. of the Head. Collected plants of pines, & other alpinas for Sir W. Hooker. Packed a rather cold night. Bentley's stories. Dogyards. Model prison. Burglaries. - "Mrs Rosemary Kitcher" - Scrubbing

3rd his cell. - The chemist's shop. - Losing his character. - &c. - Next morning I took Bentley with me, & went with W.H. in the direction of the Meander Falls to obtain some plants of Microcarphus, & other plants; but we did not go so far, because of a mist coming over the mountain, which rendered our waymarks indistinct or invisible, - and returned to the tent, having collected a few more plants. - Then dined, we started for home, down the rivulet which runs N.W. from the plain to the Western Creek. - The ground proved favorable for walking for a considerable distance; but we did not come into the track by which we ascended the mountain until we reached the falls above Clark's Hill. - W.H. marked trees along our route, so that we can, if desirable, ascend by the same path. - It took us about 4 1/2 hours walking to descend by this new route. - Probably the best plan of ascending the M^t will be to follow the old track to the level ground, about half a mile below the steep ascent, & then turn to the right. I must try it. -

4th Sunday. - Read Archbishop Secker's lecture on the 6th commandment. -

5th Rainy weather prevented the commencement of shearing. - Set out the plants from the mountain in my Ward's case ready for the ship. -

6th Washed about 570 ewes. - Killed 13 herring near the old Simsburyford after riding to the junction of the Meander & Western Creek to fish for them, & trying in several places thence upwards. - Examined the work being done by Norman & Treat at the Meander, below the junction of the two drains, - & cautioned them against making a show of work where the water had done what was necessary by washing the drain wider; - for I should not pay for those portions. - They expect to get 6/ of a rod for cutting a ditch 3 feet wide & 2 feet deep in the bottom of the Mile drain. I told them I thought

Nicholls
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proposed deepening
of mile drain
price

4. a road quite sufficient for the work; but that I would write to Mr V.W. Field about it, and learn his opinion, and whether he would join me in the expense or not. - I crossed old Nottidge's ford, from Knight's Corner to Punice-stone Flat. - I met Mr Braamich Sr on the way, from the junction homewards, at Garrett's Sugar loaf, & asked him if he would join me in endeavoring to get a road district created by the Governor for our immediate neighborhood, when he expressed his readiness to do so.

5th Washed about 600 Wethers. ^(Halls Run) In the afternoon I rode, for the first time, the mare that I purchased from Mr Wattle to the place where I fished yesterday. She trots nicely, but has never been taught to canter properly. White went with me on "Dick". I killed only 1 herring. -

8th Washed about 650 of the E. Side Ewes & Wethers. There was not enough water to wash them properly; so, I rode Blinda, (W's mare), taking White on Dick, to the various sluices through which the water for the sheepwash ran. These I regulated, & raised the main sluice at the river. Showery weather in the afternoon. -

9th Showery weather. No ^{sheep}-shearing or washing. Miss Mackenzie was driven by Sims in the tandem-cart, with Bounce, - taking George Elmer - to Deloraine, on her way homewards for a month. -

I paid her £31 in full for the year ending this month. - Wrote to V.W. Field, and others. - Simpson, it seems, reached Woolmers on Thursday the 1st Nov, and delivered 99 of the 100 ewes sent by him for the Woolmers Estate; - one was left at Hoegley with Mr East, the inkeeper. - I set out the remainder of the Wth plants. -

10th Very stormy, wet weather. No sheep-shearing or washing. - Busy cutting out useful information from newspapers. - I sent to Mr Wattle yesterday, a design for the proposed new church at Middle Plain. -

11th Sunday. Read Archbishop Sailer's lecture on the 8th Commandment. The Rev Mr Wattle did not come, - on account (I suppose) of the rain.

12th There was neither sheep-shearing nor washing today. Weather in the forenoon rather showery. -

13th Sims & 3 Mr men with 4 bullocks made a bridge across the ditch in Punice-stone Flat. - Whitebread went on ~~for~~ to Deloraine for Mr Donald's chattels. - I rode to the main sluice and altered the two sluices below it. - There is a fine parrotah shrub on the river bank near the site of the old log-pen with about 120 flowers on it: it has a beautiful appearance, with its rich flowers among dark green leaves. The plant is some

J. Keper's of Mile train.

Mr Braamich Sr about a road district.

Nov 2nd 7th Sheep washes. - Blinda. - Herring.

Sheep washes. - The sluices.

Rain. Miss Mackenzie left for home.

S. 100 Best ewes to Woolmers.

Stormy weather. Design for church at Middle Plain.

1st Nov. weather.

New bridge in Punice-stone Flat.

Many flowering parrotah.

20 feet high. - Cleared drain near kitchen. Altered W.C. door. Cleaned fowlhouse
 near
 13th Washed sheared about 370 sheep. - Rode to Mr Koste's farm. He says
 that he is tormented by wallabies & bandicoots, which do much
 mischief to his ~~grass~~ young crops. - Planted out Early York & Large
 York cabbage. - I am to give the shearers 1/- a 100 more than the Cressy price.
 14th Gave Mr Koste some young plants of onion & cabbage. - Washed
 the remainder of Taylor's ewes & wethers. - Shearing. - I rode to the
 Mt Plain. The crop on the new land seems very thin: I do not
 expect to make much out of it: next year it would have paid
 very well. - I am now riding the mare that I bought from
 Wm Horte; ^(Blinda he calls her) she has not been well broken in, & "bores" with her
 head. It is a pity; for she was worth taking trouble with. -
 15th Washed about half of the Haggets. -
 16th Rhetoric. - Rainy weather. - No shearing. -
 17th No shearing. - I rode Kate to the summit of the hill above the punch-
 bowl on Mt Plain, and onwards towards Cumming's Head about a
 mile. It seems favorable to the commencement of a track to join
 that by which we descended from the "Remunulus Valley" at the
 back of Cumming's Head last time.
 18th Sunday. Read Archbishop Secker's lecture on the 9th commandment.
 19th Washed the remainder of the Haggets. - Rode Jessy to the top of
 Punchbowl Hill, and commenced marking, & partly clearing, a
 track towards Cumming's Head. - Mr Wells took 50 wethers, & paid £56.5 for ym.
 20th Washed 50 fat wethers (Wells's) & the rams. - Mr Braumich took away
 one of the polled steers belonging to him which returned here, and
 a large steer with the greater part of his tail white, for which he is to
 pay £18 - more than £2 less than his value; - as I told P. Pitt, who sold
 him. - Keagan returned from Debraim (started this morn^g) with
 McDonald's chattels, and some cables ^(his pits) from Hurst's, - Lamcestow. -
 21st Rhetoric. - After dinner as I was starting towards the fishing place to
 kill some herrings, Miss Kate took advantage of my confidence, &
 made a sudden plunge, which overbalanced me, & I fell
 as I was with my fishing rod & vasulium, & unaware of her
 prank, - and I fell off easily on the grass. However, she
 "took nothing by her motion" as hon. members say, - & I
 remounted her & rode to the swim, where I kept her tied
 to a tree for two hours or more. I killed 19 herrings. -
 22nd Rhetoric. I rode Kate today to the commencement of my new
 track up the mountain: she went very well & quietly. -
 23rd Washing the lambs - 453 in number. - Rode Jessy to the swim

grain near
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 Mr Koste
 planted cabbages
 Price of shearing
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\$ Herring's
 Nov 24th
 Shear Rains
 W. Morse
 about a farm
 Rent
 Mr. Y. Field
 R. District
 Measuring
 in Falls Run
 J. Ditcher's
 work
 Main
 drain
 error in
 Scott's plan
 W. W. Bormack
 about a farm
 Farm to
 W. B. Hottle
 Mr. Hark
 Live Oak
 Pocket
 compass
 Mr. Hark

above Kirby's Ripple, killed 15 herrings. - 1 Steer. W. Branch £17.10
 Stormy weather. They succeeded in shearing the rams & 50 fat
 wethers; and saved the shears over paid, & left
 25th Sunday. - Read Archbishop Leake's lecture on the 10th commandment
 26th W. Morse, from Deloraine, came to take a farm for two of
 his brothers - immigrants. I rode with him to the Falls Run,
 and showed him the land for lease. - He thought the farm
 next but one to the Falls paddock would suit his brothers
 very well. - I told him the rent would be about 4% the first year,
 5% the 2nd, 6% the 3rd, 7% the 4th, & 8% the 5th and 8% to the end of the 10 years -
 but that I might have to make a slight ~~off~~ alteration in the rent
 if I found that a larger portion of the cleared ground than I
 had calculated on should be included in the 300 acres that his
 brothers wanted. - I am to let him know within a week. -
 The rent will be probably slightly increased. - Finished shearing
 today. Mr. Y. Field came to see me about the proposed new Road Dist.
 27th I measured ^{with Moore's tape} from Marshside. W. B. Hottle's to the Falls pack
 gate, checking off on the plan the various "creels" or rivulets,
 on the way. - I made the distance about 10 chains more than
 W. Scott made it. - I also measured the ditcher's work at the
 Main drain below the junction of the Mile drain. 16 1/2 chains
 to the Western Creek, of which I allowed them 12 1/2 chains of full work,
 the sides requiring no cutting in some places. - I measured the
 drain also from the forked tree to the angle where it leaves Field's
 sideline, and made the distance ^{ch. lks} 153.67, - about 28 or 29 rods more
 than W. Scott has laid it down: of this length I deducted 42 links
 on account of the tall arrows, leaving the distance 613 rods. 43 rods
 more than I allowed the ditchers for, when they finished the job. -
 A W. W. Bormack of Longford came to look at the land: he is to let me
 know in a few days whether he will wish to take a farm, - and refer
 me to W. Dry for a "character". - I agreed to let the 154 acres adjoining
 W. B. Hottle's farm to them at £35 a year for the same term as the other land.
 28th Busy writing various letters that occupied the greater part of the forenoon.
 In the afternoon I worked at my new track up the mountain,
 but did not reach the track marked by W. Hottle when last
 descending. - I found ^{for} the first time a live *Helix Tasmaniaensis*.
 29th Busy in the morning continuing an apparatus for making my
 pocket compass more available for correctly marking lines in
 the bush elsewhere. Worked again at the W. Hark, and
 reached W. Hottle's marked trees. -

Sashes over grapes.
Proposed new Road Dist.

Nov^r 30th Stormy weather. I have had some spare sashes placed on a frame over the grapes against the walls of the store, with a view to trying to ripen them, which is generally prevented by the frost. I made a copy of part of the bearings of the Chudleigh R^d Dist, and land on the eastern side of the Meander opposite Chestnut, in order to make an application for the creation of a Road District to include Chestnut and the neighboring land; so that we may be enabled to expend the money collected on our property on the road that we use.

Farms in Knight's Corner.

Dec^r 1st Letters. - Placed a cask in the garden for watering the plants during the summer. Rode ^{Kate} to Knight's Corner, and found that some very good land adjoins the Meander, to the extent of some 500 acres. One or two good farms might be had there.

Sound of West's horse. Kate fell. Mr. Horne, Glenn & Oliver came to go to the Mt's.

2nd Sunday. - Read one of Archbishop's lectures. -
3rd Rode Kate to Falls Run & marked ^{W. Horn's} line of 154 acres for W. H. H. - Chose a spot for Mess^rs Horne's homestead. Kate fell with me. W. A. Horne came prepared for the mountains. Miss (Rev^d V. Ribey's Gardener, & Glenn (his former gardener) came to go with me. W. R. did not come.

To the Mt's.

4th Ascended along my new track; reached the saddle at the back of Cam^r Mt. Tasman caught a Kangaroo. - Large one got away - supposed size, forester! He. Bentley skinned him - caught a buck B skinned him. - Took part of doe - Hoos. -
5th Camped - sung place. Glenn. Martin - "Ollower". - Next morning pines - layers - snow - snowballing - sheep - some of Meander - gully - "The Falls". - Collected young pines. *Microcarpus tetragona* & *Althorax laxifolia*, *Selaginoides*, *Leptopoda*. - Start again ^{"Pammy Martin"} - ^{Bentley come along also with: Boots. -} great rocks. - ^{old campsite} camped on a small plain. -

Returned home. Home, Glenn & Oliver left. Plant to ward's care.

6th Snowers. - Next morning "Ollower" shaving. - Started - Warrabah. Rivulet - *Asplenium Pines*. - *Cyrtaria Gunnii* - mosses - *B. art. emia* - left Rivulet. - heath thickets - *Yucca carpaea* - thicket. precipitous ascent - rolling stones. - "Martin". - reach top - water. - ^{Kangaroo} Tasman tired - back to saddle. - Cumming's Mt. - old resting place - old track down. - home in safety.

Work to irrigate. Mr. Inghy.

7th Home returned home. Glenn & Oliver left. - I planted out most of my new plants in the Ward's case. -

Send back to Mr. Brown. Mr. Thomas. Poole.

8th Rode with P. Pitt to examine fat stock; also along irrigating channel to the sluice at the river: pointed out necessary work to be done. -

9th Sunday. Rev^d W. W. Inghy here in the evening. - Read one of his lectures. - sermons in the morning. -

10th One of the Braconids came about rats: I offered him nine at 6/- He is to give me an answer on Thursday next. - John Thomas came on the same errand. Poole with him. Mr. Inghy left. - Mess^rs Addison

F
Meffs & Addison
Brammell & Bryden
FT
John French
FT
Isaac D'Arce
to have 290 ac.
Bell to advertise
stock
W. Kermaide
has resigned his
seat in C.

(Father & two Sons) W. Brammell Esq, Capt Dryden came to look at my farms. I offered, the refusal of that went to Morse to Capt. D. at 5, 6, 7, 8, 10^{to 7} - 10^{to 10}. John French also came. He is to have part of Flowery Marsh about 300 acres at 6, 8, 10^{to 7} - 12^{to 10}. Isaac D'Arce is to have the 290 acres across the drains along the Western Creek in five years at £2 an acre: meanwhile paying £29 a year for it. - Wrote to Bell to advertise fat hoes & wethers - cows & calves bulls & rams. - W. Kermaide has resigned his seat in the League Council, on account of the unfair treatment that he met with while endeavouring to express his sentiments.

Decr 11th
FT
Chas
Phillips

11th Copying the draft of my will.

to
Zuamby
Davieses

12th Old Phillips came with two of his sons to look at my farms for one of them Charles: - I agreed to let him have a farm of 300 acres, including about 130 acres of Flowery Marsh. The terms are to be 6^{to 8}, 10^{to 10}. He rode over part of the ground in the forenoon. In the afternoon I started out about 4 o'clock and rode to Zuamby, where I found Archdeacon Davies Family staying, except Mary who was with Mrs Sybleton.

Zuamby Estate
to
Rutally

13th Rode over the ^{part of the} Zuamby Estate next the Meander ^{with Mr Dry}: it is a noble property, - and will furnish in a few years an income of £7000 or £8000: Mr Dry expects £5000 a year. - We drove to Rutally in the afternoon, & back. Y. Ribey will not be able to go to Roland's Refulse just now.

Somersetton

14th Went to Ston by the coach & transacted business of various kinds. - A daughter of Capt Chalmers went in boat again to Zuamby under my care, expect^s to go home with Mr B. Butler - who will not go for some days. Y. Ribey & I fished ^{at a ford} near Zuamby in the evening; but there were very few fish: he killed by machine 6 or 8, - I got only 1.

Fishing at
Zuamby

Fishing Party
at Zuamby
to Cheshunt

15th To day we had a fishing party Y. Ribey, Chas Thomson & I. We killed in the forenoon nearly 14 doz. I numbered most 4 1/2 doz ^{killed} with one fly. In the afternoon I rode home to Cheshunt.

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W Wilson
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Thomson &
Hudson.

16th Sunday. - Read one of Girdlestone's sermons.

17th Rain. Working at plain of estate; laying out farms, &c. -

18th Mr Wilson from Bentley came with his son Wm to look at a farm on Mt Plain. I shewed the ground to them. - It came on to rain so heavily that we could not go to the Falls Run. Thomson & Hudson also came to look at the farms. - Also a small farmer, of unprepossessing appearance from near Cressy. Nothing was decided with any of the parties. -

Keegan &
Haphey

19th P. Pitt returned. - Keegan & John Haphey had a quarrel, and hurt one another: the latter appeared most to blame, having (as he was wont to do I learn now) drunk himself one of the bottles of beer allowed for the kitchen, & so become quarrelsome. -

Dec 20th discharged Heafey sent him with Grubb in the spring-cart with his clothes to Deloraine. I gave him a letter to Sir Charles Nicholson. He is a clean fastidious servant, but I fear a very bad man. Trade with Wm Wilson to the Falls Run, I showed him the farms there. Took angles along the main drain, & satisfied myself that Mr Scott's place is incorrect. Wilson wishes for a farm on Mr Plain.

21st Some men have been set to clear the sides of the drain near the main sluice: they have done some mischief, from want of oversight. Mr Branich & Wells came for cattle. I sold the former 1 small heifer at £8. and Wells took two heifers at £19 instead of 1 steer at £18, paying in cash the difference, £1: the £18 being sent to the U.S. - Gathered a quantity of roseleaves.

22nd Made drawings of parts of a whitish Parasphyllum which I found yesterday in Barn Pad*. Rode to Mr Rostie's, I measured his fence with himself & Hill: also ascertained for him the position of the spring on the Southern portion of his farm, part of which (about 200 acres) he thinks of letting to Hill. Mr Rostie, having measured the fence before with one of the fences, found that the man had cheated him greatly.

23rd Sunday. Read one of Goodstone's sermons in the morning.

24th Busy at home. Rode into Yink's Bog, but only saw 1 snipe.

25th Christmas Day. Had morning service at Mallock, & read one of Goodstone's sermons on the day.

26th Rainy weather. Started the cattle & sheep for sale at Carrick on the 28th inst.

27th Trade to meet Archbishopon Davis & party coming to Cheshunt and reached there just as the splinter bar of their carriage had given way on one side. We bound it up, and by degrees they reached Cheshunt.

28th Took the Archbishopon to the falls in Swallowhole creek at the upper part of Arhin's Hill. W.G. Bell sells my cattle & sheep to day at Carrick - about 400 Ewes & Wethers, 20 Cows with calves, 3 bulls, & 140 or 150 rams, with 33 fat lambs.

29th Rain. P. Pitt returned. The sale on the whole was pretty satisfactory although he allowed the rams. The fine, fine rams bred at Woolmers worth £10 a piece to any breeder to be sold at 8/- a head! - O tempora!

30th Sunday. - The Archbishopon had a congregation in the morning of 30, exclusive of his own party; - & a fair number in the evening.

Relieved Heafey

Mr Scott's place incorrect.

Wells & Branich

Roseleaves

Parasphyllum

Mr Rostie

Goodstone's sermons

Cattle & sheep for sale at Carrick

Archbishopon Davis

W.G. Bell

P. Pitt

Archbishopon

1856
Jan 5th -
to the
Swallowhole
Cut my foot.

In the afternoon we went fishing & killed rather more than 2 doz.

New Year's Day. - We went to the Swallowhole, where Mr. Davis made a sketch. While endeavoring to make a slip-runnel through the new fence above it, I cut my left foot with the American axe, and was obliged to keep quiet. - Mr. Davis & I sketched in Marsh Meadow in the afternoon. -

Sketching
Picnic
at the
falls.

2nd The Davises, Ad. Esq. & Lily, & I went to the Falls for a picnic. P. Pitt joined us, but having fallen into the water returned home. Mr. Davis made two sketches of the Falls. - When we were about to return, one of the Ambledoon's horses named Sore-tive that I put Jessy into the carriage in place of mine, and so we went safely home. -

Fishing
The Davises
left.
Monday March

3rd We fished to-day but did not kill many herrings. -
4th The Davises left. Yesterday the Ambledoon baptised four of the children of W. Dell, Thos. Field's annexes. - I rode to Blowing rock, which is much dryer since the new drain was made. The distance along the W. side seems to be correct in W. Scott's map. -

Edwin Morse's
the horses to have
our fence of 120 ac.

I met one of the Morses, Edwin by appointment, and we marked out the line of his 5th boundary. We then rode over the triangular farm of 120 acres, adjoining the Mr. Rostie's farm and he agreed that they should take that line in addition to the Mr. the rent to be 0, 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 14. - I told him at the time that I thought there were 130 acres in it. -

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plain to
Wm Wilson.
Angling
Prepar for
excursion to
Recherche Bay
Illness.

6th Sunday.
7th Preparing for excursion with Chas. Wattle to Recherche Bay. Wm Wilson came, and I agreed to let to him the farm of 200 acres adjoining John French, at 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 10, 12, 14. - killed more than 2 doz. fine herrings in the afternoon. -

8th Preparing for excursion. Heavy rain in the afternoon caused us to postpone ^{our departure} until tomorrow morning early. In the night I was attacked with ^{plati} colic, & a kind of shangury, with great pain. I sent for Dr. Snowe early in the morning. He arrived at about 7 o'clock. The pain had ceased two hours before. He prescribed for me. I gave up the excursion for the present. -

Abandoned
excursion.
Proceeds of
Carriage
Sale.

9th In the house the greater part of the day. - The sale at Carriak realised altogether £419.0.2 in cash, and £244.16.3

in bills. (Two, J. B. Bailey £190, & Harriet dandale £54 killed, rather more
 11th & 12th Busy at home. - Writing letters; making plans for
 & shops for John Sims, to whom I am to let a small farm see Mrs
 with a wheelwright's & black smith's shop. - On the evening - a slip
 of the 8th I completed my will, & obtained to my signature left foot
 the names of D. Pitt. Wm Wottle, & Char Wottle as witnesses. net. -
 3rd Sunday. Rev Wm Whyte came in the evening. e after
 14th Mearning with John Sims on the Yalls Run. Char
 Phillips has come on to his farm for a few days to a picnic
 prepare for his cottage. - W Douglas's 2 waggons arrived return
 for wool. They brought furniture from Brown, some. - When
 groceries from Mr Carburn, carpeting &c from Dawkins' place
 stable came. - W. Wottle, Symonds &c to Jacky's Marsh.
 5th The waggons left taking bales of wool. - Raining weather.
 16th Repotted the long neglected, Camellias. - Transplanted two young gum trees
 from the garden to the avenue. - Mrs McDonald fell yesterday against
 the outer corner of the kitchen chimney, and hurt her side very much. ed from
 I find that she has neglected to get it bathed with cold water after the de to
 accident notwithstanding my urgent recommendation that she should a 'seem
 Mrs. have it bathed, saying "Oh! it'll be better to-morrow". - I don't
 wonder at the frequent want of success that doctors experience with ud
 these people; for they are so ignorant or perverse or careless that the her
 prescribed remedies are seldom properly adopted. Last night a
 large number of cows, that had been left on the ley. to not take
 down the superabundant grass, made their way that to be D, 1, 4, 5.
 fences behind the stable into the Bull Pad, where the 130 acres in it.
 fences, which they joined. -

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The sale at
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Abandoning
 proceeds of
 carriage
 sale