

The Diaries of Dr. Luther Calvin Jeffries

Dr. Luther Calvin Jeffries was born 8 March 1820, and died 14 March 1892, a little over a year after the last entry in his diaries.

His wife was Ann Means, born 6 March 1822; died 29 October, 1909.

The diaries commence when Dr. Jeffries was living at Camargo in Montgomery County, Kentucky. The first entry was a notation of the weather on Christmas Day, 1852; "Rainy." Records of the weather continue throughout the diaries, which begin to record other happenings on 1 January 1856, and continue with occasional interruptions, through 8 February 1891.

On 16 March 1858, Dr. Jeffries moved to Aaron's Run in northwestern Montgomery County where he resided until his death.

The diaries descended to Breckinridge Polk Jeffries and to his daughter Leora Jeffries (1883-1969) wife of Wilmot Kenney Prewitt (1884-1964).

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John Marshall Prewitt

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Amma J. J. J.



From Doctor Luther C. Jeffries' Day Book.

1852

Hogs this fall selling at \$4. cash

Month of December - wet, muddy and warm

Christmas Day, Dec. 25, 1852 Rainy - L.C. Jeffries

Christmas Day, 1853 - Most beautiful day.

Christmas Day, 1854 - very rainy and muddy

Christmas Day, 1855 - is a very cold day, a little snow falling
and sleeting. Wednesday, day after Christmas

is a little cloudy - very cold - Thermometer Zero

Thursday, Dec. 27, 1855 - Morning cloudy, not so cold 10 above.

January 1, 1856 Mercury at eight degrees above freezing.

March 22, 1855 went to Mr. Prewitt's Burying, clear and cold, windy.

This was Henry Clay Prewitt's funeral.

The Dry Summer of 1853 will be long remembered, the last rain was 16 of May.

10th of Jly was a good rain.

19 of July was the first really good rain since 16 May, it rained all night
creeks and branches full to over flowing.

Jeffries Diaries 1856

The weather turned cold on the 23rd of December, 1855. Ann & I were at the Lower Slate School house on that day. The morning was sunshiny, but it clouded up the after part of the day and was very cool as we came home. It has been cold until today. Almost seven weeks of cold weather. Feb. 7, 1856

Jan. 1 Went to Town. Stopped at L. D. Wilson's. W. O. Gilkey, J. W. Thomas & John Nagowan & W. B. Tipton were there.

Jan. 2 Went to where Sappington was getting ive. Parrish paid me \$60. Went to Camargo. A. Chenault, Jack Hensley, John Kinney, D. Orear, Thomas Hudson and others were there.

Jan. 3 I was at Camargo. Clear beautiful Day. Dr. Seaton & Cooper of Maysville are there. Capt. Parrish & Laq were at my house tonight.

Jan. 4 This is the coldest morning. Mercury 1 degree below zero. Went to Camargo & went with John W. Clay to Town.

Jan. 5 13 d. above zero. I went to old man Strawn's to see his negro boy and then to Harry Daniel's to see his son.

Jan. 6 W. Orear, W. O. Gilkey, James. M. Ricketts, G. Parrish, Mary J. Dishong dined here today.

Jan. 8 Very cold. 4 d. below zero. I went to town with G. Parrish. Boone Mitchell was buried today. About 30 Masons followed him to the grave. The grave could hardly be filled. He was buried at the cemetery.

Jan. 9 Last night was the coldest night I ever experienced, Water froze hard in the house with a good fire all night. Clear and also as still as Death. The weather extremely cold. 13 below zero in my porch. It is 16½ d. below in front of the house. Wm. Kirtley at my house. We went to Camargo, Levi Yocom, A. M. McMahill, Thos. Helms, Jos. B. Ennis & John W. Clay were there. Made Squills today.

Jan. 11 I went to John Jeffries to see about some hogs that I had attached belonging to Haman Robbins. I found the hogs at Jefferson Willoughby's on Cain Creek. They are but little account. I came to John Jeffries' at dusk and staid all night.

Jan. 12 Came from John Jeffries to Alma Lodge, to Harvey Daniels. Elected our officers.

Jan. 14 Went Rabbit hunting. Caught 4. Went to Wm. A. Yoc to see his child.

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Jan. 23 C. Hazelrigg and Lady, R. Oldham & Lady, John Sappington & Lady, Marion Oldham & Lady, and Mrs. Dishong were here.

Jan. 30 Quite cool. Went to Uriah Halley's, lady is better. Came to Camargo. W. Orear, AMcMahill, A. Ficklin, John W. Clay there. Went to town W. Ragan and I ate dinner at W. Orear's.

Feb. 2 I went to Amon T. Young's to see John W. Clay's child. I went to Camargo, W. Orear, W. Ragan, J. S. Stephens, Mr. Fox, Dr. Russell & B. S. Tipton, W. O. Jameson, Mrs. A. H. Wills & Mrs. Stephens & my Lady all there.

Feb. 4 Last night the coldest night of this year. Everything in the house frozen. This morning clear and extremely cold. 13 D. below zero in rear of house. I went to town. There but few persons about. John Jeffries came home with me.

Feb. 5 Mercury 10 D. below zero. I went to Camargo. Jack Davis, A. W. Stephens, Tandy Chenault, Joel Chenault & A. McMahonill were there.

Feb. 10 This is the warmest day since the cold weather began. Ann gone to Dud's. Went to Esq. Halley's. Came home at 11 P. M.

Feb. 11 Went to Josiah Anderson's at 11 o'clock P. M. Windy and cold.

Feb. 12 Staid all night at Jos. Anderson's last night. Mrs. Custis Anderson gave birth to a son at about 2½ A. M. Cloudy, Blowy. Mr. Anderson & I went to town, he came by with me, we were caught in the snow storm, most violent I ever saw, in my clover field. The balance of the day has been sunshine.

Feb. 13 Went to John Wamsley's to see granddaughter, something like Pleuritis. Went to town, stopped at Dud's, going and coming. Paid Howard & Glover off in full. Young white cow had a calf today. Went to Wm. Cockrell's tonight.

Feb. 15 Thawing very fast all day. The roads are a mushy bank of ice. The Creeks are rising. Went to Parrish's, and then to W. Cockrell's. Caldwell is there fixing clock. Went to John Wamsley's, child is better. Stopped at Camargo. Jack Hensley is there and then home. Went to W. S. Myers, he has flux. Went out with John Jeffries. H. Biggers, Sam'l. Talbott. Met Frank Yocom, Sr. Went to R. Oldham's, Mrs. Hainlin was there.

Feb. 16 Very cloudy and warm. Mercury above freezing. Williams was cleared in the case of the Commonwealth vs. him in Rape of Mrs. Daniel on last Thursday. The jury was not out more than 5 minutes.

Feb. 20 Went to Frank Yocom's, very early this morning
His wife had a son.

Feb. 21 Went to town. Garrett's suit going on. Not very
many people in town today.

Feb. 22 The birthday of Washington. A beautiful day.
I fired a national salute this morning. I went to
Wm. Cockrell's at 1 o'clock this morning. Ellen had
a boy this morning, at about 3½ A. M. Went to C. F. Strouse.
he has inflammation of the eyes, Stopped at Ticktown.
Uriah Halley is trying Hugh Cartterrand one of the Ballard's
sons for fighting, fined costs. Stopped at dance at Camargo,
a good many there. Thomas Hainline and Wm. Bartlett, both
came after me today to be with their ladies and I was not
at home. At night about one hour by Sun, I went to A. H.
Wills to see his sick. I came home by 10 P. M. Slate is
high and ice running. There is a general breakup.

Feb. 23 Went to Jas. H. Martin's delivered his wife.

Feb. 24 Clear and thawing. Went to W. Cockrell's to see
Ellen. W. O. Gilkey, Louisa Ricketts, Nannie Orear &
Lewis G. Ricketts are here. Went to Mr. Anderson's at
night, while there, Mrs. Greenwade sent for me. I went.
Mrs. Fleming Craig, Julia Myers & Mrs. Rose were present.
Staid all night. Mrs. Emily Greenwade gave birth to a boy
this morning at 3 o'clock A. M.

Feb. 24 Raining, warm, snow going off very fast. Mount-
ains still covered. Went to Camargo. Amon T. Young, B.F.
Jameson were there. Went to Mrs. Prewitt's. James Meteer
is a monomaniac. G. Parrish & wife, John Sappington there.

Feb. 28 I went to Jos. Anderson's to lance Bill's boil.
Went to town. Trying John Hines. W. Orear paid me \$50.
I went his security in the Exchange Bank. Grafting Wax:
3 lbs. Rosin
5/8 pound Bees wax
½ pound of tallow

Feb. 29 Went to Samuel Collins today to see his negro
woman. Helped to shuck corn today. Very muddy in field.
Leopold Mayer here tonight. This is the last day of winter
and no person will be sorry to see it go. The news of
Fillmore's nomination has just reached us here, and Andrew
Jackson Donaldson.

March 1 Jury hung in Hines Case.

March 3 I started to John H. Conner's today after my calves.
Met him & Andrew H. Will's at David Cheatham's and went to
town with them. Came home with Grandison Parrish.

Mrch 7 Clear and cool. Opened Sugar Camp. Water did not
run much. Went to Capt. Parrish's, D. Mynier here.

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March 9 Went to Elihu Stewart's, child sick. Ann went with me to Greenwade's. Snowed and turned cool. Went to Elijah Martin's. He is sick. Staid all night, at James Willoughby's.

March 10 Saw Martin this morning, he is better. Went to John Jeffries, thence to Moses Woodward's, bought his mule; paid \$42.50. Came to Conner's sale. Went to Elihu Stewart's, stopped at Ticktown as Jos. John's, at Camargo, paid Peter Mynier \$40 for John Jeffries.

March 12 Went to Jas. Turley's, negro child. Stopped at Camargo. Walker Stephens, Albert Combs, John W. Clay were there. Went to M. Anderson's at night. M.R. Everett and Jas. Howard were there.

March 13 Went to help raise John Sappington's barn, and house. Present: Levi Gibson, F. M. Oldham, Mr. Hainline, G. Parrish, Wm. Cockrell, R. Thomas.

March 16 Staid at John Alexander's, his wife had a son at about 2 or 3 o'clock this morning. Snowed this morning an hour or two before daylight an inch or two. Came home at 11 o'clock. Nannie Wilson is here.

March 18 Went to the Levee to Hainline's Blacksmith Shop. Stopped at Ben Tipton's store. Went to Amon T. Youngs' and hunted pigeons, killed four. Jane Jeffries and Elizabeth McCormick are here tonight. Thomas Hale Eastin here at 3 P. M.

March 19 The following Ladies were here: Mrs. Mary Jane Dishong, Mrs. Wesley Redmon, Mrs. Wm. Redmon, Mrs. J. T. & Wim Ricketts and quite a quantity of children. Nannie E. Wilson went home today. There is still some of the old snow on the ground. People are just beginning to break up ground. Very late indeed.

March 20 Went to Levee to get some work done. Commenced plowing this evening. Mrs. Prewitt (Bettie) is here today.

March 23 Mrs. Albert Orear has an attack of colic, stayed all night and till after dinner.

March 24 Clear today. Went to Jos. Anderson's and cut open his dog. Examined his stomach, I have no doubt but that it was poisoned. Col. Young and I went to Town together. Stopped at W. Orear's. Col. Orear was there. I got my plow from Voris.

March 28 Very clear and cold today. Could not plow this morning. Went to Camargo, thence to Ticktown, thence to Temperance Hall. Uriah Halley's Law Day. A great many there. John Wymore and Sam'l. D. Frame's suit came on today. Frame beat Wymore. John Jeffries came home with me. Polly Ann Spratt is here.

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5 April Cloudy. I went to Garrett Phillips this morning about one hour before daylight. Mrs. Phillips had a girl. I went by the Levee. R. Oldham was there. Came by home. Went to David Cheatham's, he is quite poorly. Went to Isaac Allen's, his wife almost dead. Then went to Strouse's. J. H. Conner had returned. Went to Elijah Martin's. Then came by Camargo. Met Shouse at Camargo wanted me to go to Andy Adams, I declined the honor.

April 9 Clear and thick air. Mr. Cheatham is very poorly, Dr. Buford sent for today at my request. Giving him Vin. Ipc. & Snake Root.

April 13 Cloudy & cool today. David Cheatham died this morning at 6 o'clock A. M. There were a great many at his burying. Went to James Hall's from burying. His boy has pneumonia and is quite sick. Stopped at Dishong's old man Mason is sick.

Apr. 14 I stopped at Camargo. B. Settles, Samuel Cobb, John Miller and children were there. Ben Martin is working for me.

Apr. 17 Went to W. R. Trimble's last night. His child is sick. Staid there all night. Went to John Jeffries this morning. Came to Jas. Hall's child better. At H. R. C. Greenwade's, Mrs. A. Yocom was there, Jack Hensley, W.S. Myeres and Young Powell were at his shop.

Apr. 18 Went to Wm. Trimble's, child no better. Set out to Ottley Pippin's. R. W. Combs here, I lectured him on Masonry. Jim got his head very badly hurt this evening in the stable. I took him over to Doctor Sappington's and he sewed it up.

April 18 Cool and cloudy. I went to Wm. Trimble's, child somewhat sick yet. Went to Lodge at Town with Dr. Ricketts and John Jeffries. Initiated R. W. Johnson and Edwin G. Orear

Apr. 21 Went to Mrs. Prewitt's. James D. Meteer bought fodder from her. Went to Doct. Sappington's. Jim is better. Ann is at Mrs. Prewitt's.

Apr. 22 At home, Mrs. Sarah Collins is here today. I am not very well today. Went to Dr. Sappington's to see my horse

Apr. 26 Went to Town today. Came home and went to Lodge. There were twentyeight Masons attending. John Voris, E.G. Cravens, John Hanley, Lewis D. Wilson were from town. B.F. Dorley, Perry Cheatham, Wm. Foster, J.P. McCormick, A.B. Dishong J.T. Ricketts, G. Parrish, L. C. Jeffries, W.D. Craig, N. Covey A. T. Young, R. W. Combs, J. C. Wright, G.C. Redmon, James Howard, Urban Weiner, Wellsley Orear & H.R.C. Greenwade were made Masons last night.

Apr. 29 Called to see Mrs. Josiah Anderson. She is very dangerously ill with Acute Peritonitis. She was taken on Monday. Went to Ticktown. At Hall's shop and at H. R. C. Greenwade's. Came back to Anderson's. Sent for Dr. Caldwell. He staid all night.

May 2 Mrs. Martha Custis Anderson, wife of Mr. Josiah Anderson, departed this life at 5 minutes before 2 o'clock P. M. by my watch. Present Mrs. John J. Anderson, Mrs. Jas. Clarke, Mrs. Dishong, Mrs. Cleaveland, Mrs. A. T. Young, Mrs. L. C. Jeffries, Misses Barnett's and several others.

May 3 Went to R. Thomas. Then went to Mrs. Anderson's burying at the Cemetery, a large concourse went with the corpse from her residence. Burying well attended.

May 10 I went to Elijah Martin's today. Stopped at Camargo. J. Anderson, Wiley Taul, J. Alexander & others there.

May 12 Went to Town. John W. Clay was nominated Sheriff. J. S. Wyatt was beaten. Stopped at L. D. Wilson's. He is in Owingsville.

May 19 Going to start Leora Custis to school today to
* John Maupin at Oldham's School House. Went to Harvey Daniel's and lanced abscess on his Son. From thence to Misses Woodward to Jack Schuhart. From thence to John Smith's to see him. Bob Rose shot him in the upper part of his home. I got home at 12 o'clock tonight.

May 25 We went to the May meeting at Lulbegrud. Took dinner with George Hazelrigg, Mr. Oldham and wife & Ann, James Kennedy & C. Went to James Grigsby's Funeral. A great many there. I came by V. C. Hainline's. Thence home. Jesse Hainlin was at V. C. H's.

May 26 Went to R. W. Combs'. Came by Mrs. Prewitt's. Ann & I went to Town. Stopped at Dud's.

May 28 Ann got home from Dud's this morning. Nannie W. with her. Isaac Hon, Lady and Children, Melvina and Ann are here today.

May 29 Hon & family left today. Ann & Melvina still here.
* Melvina, Ann & Nannie Wilson went home this evening. John Prewitt bought my three yearling calves and eight sheep for \$80. Jas. Hall got my oxen to haul leaves to put on a coal pit. Went to Mr. Anderson's this evening.

May 30 Sold E. N. McCormick ten of my choice hogs at \$4 per hundred pounds to be taken when my small grain gives out, for money or a note & 10% interest per annum. Yesterday and today were probably the coldest that ever were in Ky. at this season. There was some frost last night.

May 31 Started to Cincinnati today to attend the Democratic National Convention. There was a remarkably heavy frost last night. As I went to Cinti. many corn fields were bitten down by the frost. I landed in Covington Saturday. I went to Cinti. with Wm. Ragan, W. Nelson on Sunday. I was taken sick with the piles on Sunday and was much worse on Monday. Came home Tuesday Got home at 11 o'clock that night.

June 7 Cloudy & warm today in morning. Went to Sappington's and Parrish's. Went down to Mr. Anderson's. Heard that James Buchanan was nominated for President, but not known who was for Vice President.

X June 8 Went to Col. J. C. Orear's. Stopped at Camargo. Heard that John C. Breckenridge was nominated for Vice President. Went to Mount Gilead to Meeting.

X June 11 Clear and warm. Went to Alfred Stephens'. Thence to Ticktown. Corn in many places knee high and very clean. Went to G. Parrish's, went to Isom Daniel's. Went to John Stofer's. Stopped at Grandison Parrish's.

X June 13 Clear and warm. Went to Alfred Stephens'. To Ticktown to get my horse shod. Came by Gibson's house. Went to see Albert Stofer, he is better. Went to school house.

June 14 Went to Temperance Hall. A good many were there. Mr. Ogden made a good speech. Mr. Jas. Summers, a candidate for Commonwealth Attorney spoke, also C. R. Myers, came home and went to R. Oldham's. Mary had a child.

June 16 Went to Town. I never saw more people in town. Jas. W. Moore and B. J. Peters made speeches. Moore made the best speech, by far I ever heard him make. It was masterly and eloquent. Mr. Peters followed with embarrassment and made a feeble reply. Mr. Peters said if he was elected he would never run for a candidate again for the office of Judge, that he would not be candidate for a reelection. This I am certain of. Judge Moore argued that the Constitution had made a man eligible to a reelection, and did not say if he were elected this time, that he would never be a candidate again. I am sure that this is the true position of the two men.

June 17 Went to John Jeffries. Got Jim shod at Ticktown. Came to Camargo. Reffett's at Camargo, Jeffries was not at home. Hines boys were bailed out today. They were at Camargo. I stopped at Mr. Jos. Anderson's this morning. Ann has gone to Wm. F. Craig's this evening. As there is much dispute every year about the prospect about this time in the season, I think it will not be remiss to make a record of them. Wheat. This is very fine now, that which is on rich ground is exceedingly fine, but that on poorer ground is much thinner, but the grain of all

of it is uncommonly good. The prospect was never better good wheat and a fine yield, last year 1856 probably accepted. Oats. This a now on good ground about two feet high and heading on poorer from 8 inches to 18. rather a sorry prospect, some I sat. I differ. Rye is very good. Corn, of ~~these~~, this is the main crop. There is a great variety of opinion about this. Some say it is sorry, others that it is fine. It differs much in different places. Immediately in the neighborhood, it was never better. R. Thomas, John Sappington, G. Parrish, Wm. Cockrell, * John Stofer, Josiah Anderson, Barnett, Clarke, Jno. McCormick, David Cheatham and others have corn, plenty of it, from 2 to 4 feet high. This is corn that came up by the 1st planting. A great deal was planted over. This is from 6 in. to 12 in. high and looks sickly. I finished replanting my corn last Saturday. My corn would average about 6 in. high and looks sickly. The field that I am renting at Doct. Sappington's is about one foot high and looks nice. Corn everywhere is remarkably clean and in fine order, in consequence of the dry weather. Grass. This is failing fast. It is burning up. Water is giving out everywhere. The creeks are almost dry. There has been no rain to do any good since Saturday, May 17th. It is very cloudy and warm. Some think there will be almost a famine. I differ, we will see who is right in due time. Time will prove all things.

June 20 Ann is at Mrs. Prewitt's. Garden ruining. Mrs. Sappington, Mrs. Mary J. Dishong, Miss Cynthia Fowler are here this eve. I was at Camargo to attend Newton McCormick's sale. No sale, he having sold out to J. H. Johns and W. P. Stephens. Went to Alma Lodge last night. A. T. Young, A. B. Dishong, N. Wymer, W. Orear, J. J. Means, W. D. Craig, N. Covey, B. F. Dooley, J. C. Wright, E. N. McCormick, G. Parrish, G. C. Redmon, John J. Jeffries, & L. C. Jeffries were there.

June 25 Two peddlers staid here last night. Waterman and Wiley, they left about 11 A. M. There was hard rain and seems as if it would rain all day. Ann gone to Matt Anderson's. Plenty of rain for everybody.

June 28 Went to Town today, with Col. Stephenson. Dud and I bet 4 twists each of tobacco with Doct. White that Buchanan will carry Ky. Came to Camargo. Mr. Anderson, James Turley and several others were there. I came by Col. Orear. Nep is sick.

June 29 Went to Col. J. C. Orear's. Nep better. Went to Camargo Church. Veach preached. Stopped at old man Gilligan's. Tom is sick. Went to Gilead. Stopped at Doct. Sappington's.

July 3 I went to Jos. Anderson's this morning. Joel S. George came for me to go to Col. Jere C. Orear's, Nep is sick. Plowing today, ground too wet.

July 4. This is the great day when American Independence was declared. I fired a National Salute this morning and read the Declaration of Independence. The day is somewhat cloudy and warm, but no rain. I went to Camargo to Col. Orear's and Gilligan's.

July 8 Went to Columbus Haggard's this morning about daylight. His wife is sick. Dr. Tanner was there. Came by Sylvanus Powell's, went to Dr. Sappington's, thence to R. W. Combs. Cutting my meadow.

July 10 Went to Camargo. B. J. Peters was going to speak. Matt W. Anderson came to Camargo for me. I went to see his wife who was in labor. I staid all day there, and night.

X July 11 I staid last night at Matt W. Anderson's, his wife had a child at 2 P. M. today. A little cloudy and warm. Hers was a boy child.

July 12 Went to Town. Came out ot Dud's and ate supper there. Miss Thomas was there. Staid into Lodge. David M. Foster was made Master Mason, Dr. Ricketts & Wm. O. Jameson came out as I did. There is much talk about the election, at this time. I am of the opinion that Peters's prospects are brightening over left shoulder, and Moore's are waning overnight, Moore will beat him badly.

July 13 Went to Gilead. Ramsey preached. Mrs. Margaret was baptised. Dud and Nannie came here to dinner.

July 15 I went to Town. I stopped at Joel Chenault's. I went to Camargo. John C. Wright, Levi Yocom, A.T. Young & c. were there. I went from there to Wm. A. Yocom's, Mrs. Yocom had a baby girl. This is the warmest day that has been this year. The night was so warm I had to go in the porch to cool.

July 20 Went to Old Fort meeting. A large concourse was there. Mr. Strouse and Lady came home with us. Thos. Parrish was there. I was at Mr. Oldham's. I think Ange is better. Ann went back with Strouse and Lady.

X July 21 A large number were in Town. Ann went to Dud's. I stopped at John Stofer's. Willoughby's boys cutting my meadow. Very dry. I never saw the roads as dusty as they are, in my life.

July 26 At Mrs. Betty Prewitt's. At R. W. Combs'.

July 27 Went to J. Anderson's. John W. Clay and I went to Halley's, Powell's, King's Mill to Upper Slate. There were a great many there.

July 29 Went to Stanton today to see Mrs. Hardwick. There was an examination of Harrison School. There was also a dance at John H. Bradshaw's. Red River is quite dry.

July 30 Very warm and dry. Corn is almost beyond the reach of rain. It is beginning to dry up. I went to John Phillips this morning about one quarter of an hour before daylight. Mrs. Phillips had a baby, came home to breakfast.

July 31 Went down to Jos. Anderson's. Went to Oil Springs with Ann. Puss Young, Misses Hanley, Luckett Anderson.

Aug. 3 Went to Ticktown to meeting. Peter Hon preached. Ann and I went to Henry Greenwade's to dinner.

Aug. 4 Very warm and uncommonly dry. I went to Ticktown very early this morning. This was a very peacable time today. Tick gave Peters 47 Majority. I came to Camargo and voted for Moore, Crawford, Clay, Phelps and Jameson.

Aug. 8 Very cool this morning and wind blowing. Mercury 74. Went to G. Parrish's. Sarah is sick. Went to Town. Had two degrees conferred on me in Chapter. I do not think they are much. Came by Joel George's at night. Mrs. George is sick.

Aug. 11 Cloudy and a very light rain, but not enough to do the least good. Parrish and I went to Red River Mill this morning. I went to Wm. Cockrell's to see his negro child with flux. I then went to Sylvanus Powell's, his wife had a fine son. I went to Town.

Aug. 12 Got home from Mill last night. A good rain today but not much. It came slowly. Newt McCormick got my hogs today, 10 which brought me \$55.88. Lackey & Tom McCormick came him.

Aug. 13 Went to Town this evening with Grandison Parrish's. I took the most excellent and Royal Arch degrees tonight. Present G. Parrish, John Hanley, J. T. Ricketts, L.D. Wilson, A. B. Dishong, Lewis DeBard, R. M. Hathaway, Levi Y. Mills-paugh, W.W. Apperson, Jas. H. Turner, R. M. Barnes, John W. White, Charles Gilkey, John L. Williams and W. O. Jameson went through with me. The Royal Arch degree is remarkably fine indeed.

Aug. 17 Went to Old Fort Meeting. Clear, Warm and dry. Judge J. W. Moore & Lady, E. G. Orear, Lady and children. Lewid Bebard and Lady came home with us for dinner. We all went back to evening meeting. Dink Eastin staid hereball night and was at the Lodge. He went to meeting and came here to dinner.

Aug. 18 Went to R. Thomas. Caroline had a baby.

Aug. 19 Went to Jos. Anderson's. Mrs. Daniel is up. A gentleman selling monuments is there. Mr. Anderson has purchased one for Mrs. Anderson. Fixing my strawberry patch. I am going to Town after my plants this evening. I got them from Lewis Debard's, Mt. Sterling.

Aug. 21 I went to R. Thomas, Caroline is sick. I went to Josiah Anderson's. Ann is there helping to sew.

Aug. 25 Went to Camargo. Came by Josiah Anderson's. I am going to start to Missouri this evening with Mary Jane Daniel and Lockett Anderson. I am going to stay in town tonight, at E. G. Orear's. Harry Young is here at work for me today. This probably my last writing in this book, and I leave it as a specimen.

Sept. 23 I arrived at home today at dark having been gone just 4 weeks to Missouri. I had a fine time in Mo. I spent most of my time in Platte and Buchanan. The land is good, and I am well pleased. There was a very heavy frost on Sunday night. Sept. 21, which killed everything, bit a great deal of corn, it also frosted for several nights following. It is quite distressing. The winter is cold enough for dead winter.

* Oct. 1 This is the day Nannie Wilson to be married. The morning is cold, cloudy and snowing. This is the second snow that has been this year. Cattle are selling at 3 to 3.50 per hundred pounds gross. James P. McCormick bought Mr. R. Oldham at that price. I never saw a harder snow fall in my life that is now coming down at 7 o'clock A.M. Nannie E. Wilson and Thos H. Eastin were married today by Mr. Harding. There were a good many at the wedding. L. A. Glover, C. J. Glover, H. C? Howard, S. Drury, Jas. H Stephens.

Oct. 2 Went to Oil Springs to Infair. There were a good many there. Ann and I came home. A beautiful day.

Oct. 6 Went to Jeffersonville to meeting. James W. Daniel preached. I ate dinner at Mr. Greenwade's. Went to Wm. Martin's.

Oct. 7 Josiah Anderson and Puss Young were baptized today. Silla Gibson's sister & many others.

Oct. 8 Went to Wm. Ragan's to the Democratic Barbecue. There were a great many there. Elijah Hise and Col. Thos. B. Stephenson spoke. Ann was with me, we stopped at Lewis D. Wilson's and eat supper. we came home. Dud says there were more by five hundred than there were at Beans'.

Oct. 23 Weighed two heifers for Anderson Chenault-1505 pounds, I went to Capt. Parrish's to Hazelrigg's and from thence to Town. Puss Young & Mrs. Susan Young are here today.

Oct. 27 Went to Joseph Crooks' this morning. Found Jas. Crooks very sick. Stayed all night.

Oct. 28 Left Joseph Crooks, stopped at James Wills' to see the man with his thumb cut. Stopped at Tick. Mr. Crooks is very bad with pneumonia, is much better of it, but his bowels are very much deranged. I think his chances are very much better today than formerly. I am of the opinion he will get well, if well treated. I am very anxious about him, as his family are deeply concerned about him.

Oct. 30 I went to Wm. Craig's. I went early in morning to J. S. Stephens' I was at Mr. Anderson's last night. Mr. Welch was there. Thomas F. Marshall spoke in town last night.

Oct. 31 I went to Grandison Parrish's in the evening he and I went to Camargo to make some arrangements about building our house. We agreed to build it in old man Ricketts' lot by unanimous vote.

Nov. 5 Election News. Fillmore received 35 majority at Camargo. His majority in Montgomery County is 95. Quite a cool day this.

Nov. 6 Alfred Yocom and I went to Town. He was the first one that told me that Ky. had gone for Buchanan, he gave me great and glorious news. We heard from many States, Pa., Ill., Ia., and several others. There seems to be no doubt but that Buchanan is elected.

Nov. 8 Rained last night. I went to Wm. Cockrell's and from there to Mount Sterling. Buchanan and Breckinridge are certainly elected. I stopped at Dud's. Miss Mariah Gilkey and Miss Mary Warner, Dine and Nannie are there. Dud and I went to Town together. Judge J. W. Moore did not vote for Buch. & Breck. He was in Floyd County holding his Court and I do not think he ought to have to come home to vote.

Nov. 13 Clear and cool. Paul Bedford and John J. Anderson went hunting with Mr. Anderson, A. T. Young today. Caught a Deer. I was at Camargo. Dishong is killing hogs today.

Nov. 16 I took seventeen hogs to Mr. Powell's this morning. He is to keep them for me till the 1st day of April next at \$4.00 per one hundred pounds for all he puts on them. I went from there to John J. Jeffries and to Lower Slate School House to a meeting. I went to Dr. Landman's and took dinner. Revs. Bruce and Rand were there. I went from there to Wm. C. Means and from there came home. I stopped at Jeffersonville and lanced James Wills' arm. So ends this chapter.

Nov. 17 Ann went to Aaron's Run. John J. Jeffries and R. G. Allen stayed all night.

Nov. 19 Last night quite cold. Doct. Sappington helped me kill my beef today. I went to Wm. F. Craig's this evening. Jas. Barnett came home with me. We are going to Jones' Nursery today.

Nov. 21 Setting out my Apple trees today.

Nov. 24 Most beautiful day. I took my cows to R. Thomas. I went to Valentine Cook Hainline's today, from there to Jarrett Ficklin's. Got Lime and Tan bark from him.

Nov. 26 Ann is at Samuel Collins' to a Sewing. Mr. Gilligan is here at work. Fixing my curbing. I am at work myself.

Nov. 27 Fixing my walk today. I went to town this morning. Took 5 apple trees to Dud. One Scotch, 2 June eating, 8 Tapp's early sweeting.

Dec. 1 Got up early this morning. Killed hogs today. Granddison Parrish helped me. I killed nine.

Dec. 3 The wind commenced blowing very hard last night and turned a great deal cooler. I am in much better hopes of my meat that I killed last Monday. Harrison is helping Capt. Parrish kill his hogs. I went up to his house this evening. He is cutting up his meat.

Dec. 9 At home all day. Covering my corn crib. Ann is at Wm. Fleming Craig's.

Dec. 11 James Shubert came after me early this morning. His wife was confined. She gave birth to a female child.

Dec. 13 29 d. above zero. Commenced hauling in corn from my land at Doct. Sappington's. Went to Washington Martin's his wife was sick. Had a Son. Stopped at Greenwade's. Conferred entered Apprentice degree on Henry Settles. Raised W. D. Craig to the Master's degree. Left Lodge at 11 o'clock.

Dec. 14 Windy all day. A few drops of snow.

Dec. 15 Killed hogs today. Cleared off early in the day. Stopped at Dud's with Capt. G. Parrish. Dink Eastin and Nannie and Jno. Blaydes were there. Aaron Kinney paid me his note in full.

Dec. 19 Clear and warm. Went to W. Halley's, to Camargo Went from there to Greene Hall's. Washington Lockridge's wife was sick. Dr. Clarke and I performed craniotomy on her, that is on the child. It was a very serious operation. She was out of her head.

Dec. 20 Left Mr. Hal's at day. Raining and snowing. The worse ride I ever had coming home. Met. Dr. Buford at Camargo going, turned him back. Harrison got wheat at Joel Grubbs', and took it to Mr. Howard's Mill, with Rye and corn yesterday. Got back today. John W. Clay, W. O. Gilkey, Lewis M. Ricketts were here tonight. We had a fine game of euchre.

Dec. 21 Mercury 8 degrees above zero. Ann and I went to Old Fort meeting. Revd. Rand preached. John Sappington and Miss Fowler came home with us to dinner. I went to Mr. W. H. Lawson's today after dinner. His wife was sick. I went to Wm. R. Trimble's at about Midnight. his wife was sick.

Dec. 22 Snowed last night. I stayed at Wm. R. Trimble's. Very cold. His wife had a son at about 2 o'clock P. M. I walked from Mr. Wm. H. Lawson's house last night, when I got to Camargo. Dick Trimble overtook me.

Dec. 26 I went to Mrs. Prewitt's and helped put up ice.

Dec. 31 Cloudy and cool. This is the last day of the year 1856, a day on which many will die and more be born. What another year will bring forth none knows.

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Jan. 1 I went to Mt. Sterling. Cloudy this morning and not very cold. There were not many white people in Town, but I never saw as many negroes in my life.

Jan. 2 Went to G. Parrish's and took dinner. Mrs. Sappington, Mrs. Oldham and Mrs. Prewitt and her Mother were there. John W. Clay, Jas. P. McCormick, G. C. Redmon, W. O. Gilkey were here tonight. We had an oyster supper.

Jan. 5 Cloudy and cold. Ann is at Anderson Chenault helping them fix for a party. I went to R. Thomas's. Jack is sick. He paid me his bill.

Jan. 7 Cloudy and cold. I went to Josiah Anderson's. Baby is sick. I went to Doct. Sappington's. Mrs. Oldham, Mrs. Prewitt, Mrs. Meteer, Mrs. Parrish, Immatta Oldham, Mr. Oldham, Capt. Parrish, Mrs. Hon is and Ann were there. W. F. Craig is here at work. He is sawing up a poplar log. I subscribed \$20 for Sycamore Church.

* Jan. 8 I went to Anderson Chenault's to his party. I never saw as many at a party in my life. It was a very fine one. I stayed all night.

Jan. 9 Came from Anderson Chenault's this morning. I took a log to Obadiah Smith's mill. I stopped at B. F. Tipton's store.

Jan. 12 I went to Wm. D. Craig's this morning. His wife had a daughter at 8 o'clock A. M. I came by Wm. F. Craig's. Ann is at Levi Gibson's.

Jan. 16 Hauled two logs to Smith's Mill. Wm. F. Craig helped me today.

Jan. 18 I went to Jarrett P. Ficklin's last night, at midnight. His wife had a baby at daylight this morning. I came home early. Mercury three degrees above zero. Snow eight inches deep.

Jan. 19 Mercury 13 d. below zero. I went Rabbit hunting early this morning, and Harrison and I got frost bitten. I went to Capt. Parrish's. His wife had a dead born child. I went to Town. after dinner. John Jeffries came home with me. We stopped at L.D. Wilson's. Came home in the night.

Jan. 22 Very cold today. Mercury 13 degrees below zero. 16 D. in front of house. I went to Camargo Church. Wellsley Orear and James Q. Stephens were there.

Jan. 31 I went to Samuel K. Collins, I bought of him ten bbls. of corn at \$2. per bbl. I went with him to Tick to meeting. I was at Hall's shop, Lawson paid me. Came by Camargo. W. Orear, D. Orear, J. Dean J. Anderson were there.

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Feb. 2 Almost clear today. 15 degrees above zero. I went to town. Edward Reynolds paid me ten dollars U. Halley paid me \$20. Albert Stofer paid me \$2.00. Renewed Harry Daniel's note. Went to Josiah Anderson's W. O. Gilkey, B. F. Gilkey and N. Covey were there.

Feb. 3 Josiah Anderson and Wm. O. Gilkey started to Mo., this morning. They will get to Saint Louis tomorrow, if they have good luck.

Feb. 4 I went to W. Orear's today after a load of corn. Stopped at Camargo. Went to Capt. G. Parrish's after a load of corn. Ann is at Mrs. Prewitt's.

Feb. 5 I went to Camargo and got plank. I went to Solomon Spratt's. His negro woman is very sick with Peritonitis.

Feb. 15 Went to meeting. Stopped at A. B. Dishong's. Eastin and Lady are here. Very warm today.

Feb. 16 Eastin and Nannie stayed here last night. Went to D. Orear's sale. Dud & Parrish were here for dinner. Cynthia Fowler and Imanetta Oldham also here. Eastin & Nannie gone home.

Feb. 20 Went to Mt. Sterling. Col. McKee gained his suit against N. A. Wilkerson.

Feb. 22 I went to B. F. Hinds'. H. R. C. Greenwade and Lady were here. George Ann came to go to school. They stayed.

Feb. 23 I went to B. F. Hinds'. Capt. Parrish gone with his oxen and mine to Kinney's Mill. This a most beautiful day. I opened my sugar camp. The water is running tolerably well.

X Feb. 26 I went to Town. I had the money taken out of Dobyns' hands that he held as Trustee of Enoch Jeffries and put into the hands of Lewis D. Wilson. Came home by Camargo. Went to B. F. Hinds'. Ann went to Dud's with me. Eliza was not at home. She went to William Tipton's.

Feb. 27 I went to Mrs. Prewitt's. She has something like the flux. Ann came home this evening from Dud's. R. W. Combs was here this morning. I loaned him Ten Dollars.

March 3 Barnett gone to Eastin's Mill. I went to A.H. Wills'. He is sick. I came home by Geo. W. Kincaid's. I went to Valentine C. Hainline's to see his wife. Got oats of Strouse. Somewhat cool all day.

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March 5 Eliza came by here going to Oil Springs to see Nannie. Ann went with her. I had a call to go to Williams, a man of color on Slate, but I did not go.

March 6 I went to George W. Kincaid's this morning. I got my horse shod at Hall's shop. I went to Doc. Wills, from there to the Free negroes where Allen White lived. Came home by Camargo. Perry Cheatham, Col. Aquilla Young were there. I got home about dark and I never saw but one as great a snow storm in my life as it was this evening, and that when I was coming from Josiah Anderson's on the 12th of Feb. 1856.

March 7 Wm. R. Trimble was here. I bought a note of him on Jas. Kinney for \$35.00. Doct. Sappington was here looking for his turkeys.

March 9 Mr. Thos. G. Ricketts agreed to let us have six feet of ground all around our new Masonic Lodge today. People have more ground plowed now than usual for this time of year.

March 10 I went down to Josiah Anderson's tonight. John W. Clay was there. He is very much pleased with the land in Mo.

March 15 It is thought that the Hon B. F. Clarke will get a Foreign Mission. I went to Camargo to meeting with Ann. Capt. Parrish stopped here and went with us. H. R. C. Greenwade and Lady, G. Parrish & Lady came home with us and got dinner. I went to Elijah Williams' Stayed all night at Andrew H. Wills.

March 17 John A. Blaydes and Eastin and Nannie are here. I stayed at John Kinney's, came home by B. Willoughby's this morning.

March 18 This is my birthday. I am 37 years old. I was called to James Hall's this morning about 3½ o'clock A. M. His child has quinsy and will die. I went back this evening. Child worse. John Blaydes is here.

March 19 Some snow fell last night. John A. Blaydes went home. I went to Smith's Mill to get plank. Was at V. C. Hannline's. Went from there to H. R. C. Greenwade's. Linn had a child in the night.

March 20 This is a first rate sugar day. I went to B. F. Hinds', Dr. Caldwell came by for me. Caldwell came home with me and stayed all night.

March 21 This morning is clear and pleasant. I went to Ticktown to see H. Greenwade's child with quinsy came by Uriah Hall's and B. F. Hinds'. Making sugar today. I

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March 26 Clear and cool today. I went this morning at daylight, to J Stephens, came by Greenwade's, also by B. F. Hinds'. I went E. M. McCormick's security to John Y. Stephens for \$300. Mrs. Stofer and Samuel Cobb came here going to Mr. Anderson's. Ann went with them. I went to the Levee to get a load of plank. Stopped at V. C. Hainline's.

March 27 Almost clear this morning. I went to the Levee. Was at Hainline's shop. Went to Ticktown & to law day at Temperance Hall. Trimble (Doc) and Samuel Cobb had a Law Suit. Went to Col. Jere C. Orear's. My Father was there.

March 28 Clear, frosty and cold. Mercury about freezing for a number of days. I was at Camargo this evening. J. M. Ricketts receiving new goods. John D. Orear, G. C. Redmon, W. F. Craig and several others were there. I went to B. L. Conckwright's tonight to see his wife. Stayed all night.

March 29 I went to Mr. Josiah Anderson's. Anna & Susan were there.

March 31 I went to Robert Thomas with my Hon Cow. I am working in my garden. I am planting my potatoes. Mr. & Mrs. Sappington and Cynthia Fowler are here. It clouded up today in the evening and sprinkled a little towards night. I put ashes on four of the first rows and a half beginning at the gate, the fifth row has ashes on one-half of it. Commenced at the Peach tree the rows have nothing on them.

Apr. 1 I went to Camargo. John Halley commenced our building today. W. T. Chenault, Anderson Chenault, W. F. Redmon, John Richardson, W. Ludlow, Harrison Biggers, James H. Martin, John McCormick were there. Chenaults were arbitrating a suit. Eliza and Melissa atopped here.

Apr. 3 I went to A. B. Dishong's, this morning at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Dishong had a boy baby.

April 4 Not so cold today. Bees making finely. Mrs. Emma Greenwade is here today. She, Ann and I went to the school house. James R. Wilson stayed all night. Ann at Dishong's all night.

Apr. 5 I am sowing oats today. Cobb was here this morning. I went to Dr. Sappington's, to Camargo from there to Ticktown. Col. Z. Haggard was thrown from his horse. Came home by B. F. Hinds'.

Apr. 6 I went to Joel Grubbs to get wheat, which I sent to Howard's Mill. Mr. Vaughn was here also G. Parrish. I went to Mt. Sterling from Grubbs'. Every body including Dud say there never was such weather as this, for this time of year. I want it understood that it is a most exceptionally cold day for the time of year. I stopped at Dud's and he says he wants me to note particularly how cold and disagreeable the weather is, as there never has been and never will be a cold day as this time of year. Snowed last night an inch or two. Mercury 20 above.

Apr. 8 I went to Jesse Hainline's and got one peck of sweet potatoes at 50cts. Stopped at R. Oldham's Charles Hazelrigg was there. Came home and made a warm bed. Mr. Strouse and Lady here.

Apr. 11 To Alma Lodge. W. H. Gatewood was initiated. John T. Cox made a Fellow Craftsman, Henry Little a Master Mason. There was a large attendance. Came at 1.

Apr. 16 Mr. Jos. Anderson was married this morning. I was at his house early to see Mary, was at Jack Cleaveland, at G. W. Kincaid's.

Apr. 17 Mercury 28 degrees above zero. I was at Jos. Anderson's, Jack Cleaveland, R. J. Shubarts, H.R. C. Greenwade, At G. W. Kincaid's, ate dinner there. It commenced snowing at 2 hours by sun and continued to snow hard all evening and till in the night. I never saw such a one as this, this time of year. It is a good one for any time of a winter. Tremendous deep.

Apr. 21 The greatest snow storm at Louisville. The snow was 6 inches deep. Henry Young came to work for me today, making fences.

Apr. 22 Another Snow. Started at 8 A. M. Very hard.

Apr. 24 This has been a beautiful day. My bees are out. I went to Anderson John's burying. He died on yesterday. There were a good many at it.

April 30 I sent to Col. Orewar's after seed corn. I went to Amon T. Young's. His children are sick. I am planting my sod field. I went to Charles Hazelrigg's at dark. His negro had a child just before I got there.

May 1 I stayed all night at Chas. Hazelrigg's. Planting corn, commenced raining in the evening.

May 2 Went to Town with Col. Young. Came out to Dud's and had supper. Went back & was at Lodge. Samuel P. Young was initiated. Came home at night.

May 3 Went to James Gibson's to see his negro boy. It has fitss I do not like its appearance very well, there are several lumps on its neck. Its eye are mattering, his belly is tumid and hard, his color somewhat ashy. I went to Tick to meeting. Ann was with me. I went to Jake Stephens to see his wife. She is enciente, and her health is not good.

May 4 Slate is high. Rained very hard today. I went to R. W. Combs to see his child with measles. Dr. Ricketts had been there.

May 7 I went to James Willoughby's this morning. He is no better, if any change for the worse. He has today a clear case of Pnaumonitis. I am giving him $\frac{1}{2}$ gr. Tar. Emt., every three hours and every 4 hours, I am giving him 1 Gr. Calomel $1\frac{1}{2}$ Ipecac and a couple or three grs. Pulv. Dover.

May 8 A beautiful day. I went to James Willoughby's, he is better. Came to Wm. F. Craig's and got my dinner. B. F. Hinds came home with me. This is the Anniversary of the Battle of Palo Alto, between the Americans and Mexicans.

May 11 I went to Camargo to B. F. Hind's, to W.F. Craig's, to Solomon Spratt's. Mrs. W. Smith had a baby, she had convulsions, she is very ill.

May 12 I went to R. W. Combs' they are all very sick with measles. I went to Town. Stopped at L. D. Wilson's, came home and went to Combs' from there to Josiah Anderson's.

May 14 I went to B. F. Conckwright's, his wife is very dangerously ill. Stayed all night.

May 15 Left Conckwright's this morning about day. Came by Jas. Willoughby's, by John Kinney's, by B.F. Hinds', went from there to G. W. Kincaid's, to R. W. Combs', came home and went to Chapter at Town. Saw Perry Cheatham, N. Covey and Dr. Adair take the Royal Arch Degree. Went to R. W. Combs, Mrs. Combs quite sick.

May 21 I went to R. W. Combs', to G. W. Kincaid's, to B. F. Hinds', to Jack Cleaveland's. Dr. Buford came here to dinner. He went with me to R. W. Combs', to G.W. Kincaid's and I went with him to Samuel L. Frame's. Stopped at Greenwade's and came home by Jack Cleaveland's. My patients are very bad. I went to Jesse Baldwin's tonight and stayed all night. His child is sick.

June 3 I went very early to Jess Baldwin's. Mrs. B. very bad. Went to Jack Cleaveland's, to W. A. Yocom's. I went to Mrs. Baldwin's, extremely bad. Heart is diseased, she is very dangerously ill.

June 8 I went very early this morning to Wm. A. Yocom's. To Jesse Baldwin's, to R. W. Combs', to Jackson Cleaveland's. Mrs. Baldwin died today at about 10 minutes before 6 o'clock P.M. I went to Jess Hainline's and to Wm. A. Yocom's.

June 10 I went to W. A. Yocom to Jack Cleaveland's, to R. W. Combs', to J. Baldwin's, to Sm'l L. Frame's, to Jess Hainline's. Rained very hard as I went to J. Hainline's. I was never in as hard a rain in my life as it was this evening. Creeks are all very high. My patients are very sick. Dr. Caldwell met me at R. W. Combs', Dr. Buford's at Jess Baldwin's. Buford & I went to Samuel L. Frame's together. Mrs. Emma Greenwade was at Wm. A. Yocom's.

June 13 I went to Wm. A. Yocom's, to Jack Cleaveland's, to Jess Baldwin's, to Camargo. Was at the Turnpike Election. Henry R. C. Greenwade, Lorenzo D. Craig, Dr. J. T. Ricketts, Anderson Chenault and Wm. Tipton were elected Directors & L. C. Jeffries was made President and James M. Ricketts, Vice President, and Treasurer.

June 15 I went to Wm. A. Yocom's, to Mrs. Hall's, to Jess Baldwin's, to J. Hainline's, to Mount Sterling. Cox and Mason spoke. Col. W. Chiles also spoke. I never saw as many in the Court House in my life. I came by Yocom's this evening.

June 19 To Mt. Sterling. George W. Prentice spoke there today. I did not like his speech. He greatly underrated the patriotism of the American people. He said that the people were enemies to the Constitution of their country. Our Statesman regard 1st themselves and next nothing, this was his language. He said the race of statesman was extinct, as the race of giants. There were many beautiful allusions to history. His enunciation was good. But his manners are very bad as a public speaker. He had a large house.

June 22 This day twenty three years ago my grandfather John Tapp died. I still love him because my Mother did.

June 23 I went early this morning to Jess Hainline's. I went to J. Baldwin's, to R. W. Combs', to see to the surveying of our road, to Wm. A. Yocom's, to Camargo. Was at Mrs. Prewitt's. Her negro woman is sick.

June 24 I went to Mrs. Prewitt's. To J. Hainline's. To the dedication of our new Masonic Lodge Hall at Camargo. I never saw anything go off finer than it did in my life. The audience was fine. The oration was fine, the dinner was fine and everything else in proportion.

June 29 Doctor Caldwell came here for breakfast. We started to R. W. Combs. Mrs. Combs dead. Came by W. A. Yocom's.

June 30 I went to Mrs. Hall's, to Jess Hainline's, I went to Camargo, W. A. Yocom's child died. Wm. Tipton and Lady here.

July 1 I went to V. C. Hainline's shop, to J. Hainline's Mr. Mize came home with me and took dinner. I went to Wm. Tipton and then joined the surveying party. We got as far as Ragan's pasture. Ann was at Tipton's.

July 4 I went to Jess Hainline's. Came by Mr. Oldham's. Went to our Barbecue at Joshua's Spring. Col. Young, W. F. Craig, Kit Clarke and several others were there. I went to our turnpike meeting at Camargo. Then to Town, James Turley was made a Master Mason. The day is clear Dr. J. P. Turner was here and got my cupping instruments.

July 8 I was at Jesse Hainline's. I went to O. Smith's on Tuesday night at Midnight. Mary Ann Cockrell had a girl at about sunup. Mrs. Fowler is here today. My bees are swarming this evening.

July 12 Ann and I went to Lewis D. Wilson, W. W. Apperson, and Eastin were there. G. W. Turner and daughter also were there.

July 16 I went to James Gibson's and vaccinated Selina. Cutting meadow.

* July 20 I was nominated today to run for the Legislature, against D. C. Daniel of Powell. This nomination was much against my wish. We spoke together at the following places to wit: 1st at Aaron's Run, at Levee, At Camargo, at Clay Lick, at Howard's Mill, at Stanton, Powell County, at Tamer's in Powell County, here Daniel left me. I spoke at Brush Creek and closed the canvass at Aaron's Run on Saturday before the Election. I was at Ticktown on the day of Election. The following is the vote at Camargo:

For Treasuer - Know Nothin Jones	112
" " " Democrat Garrard	83
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For Congress - Cox - Know Nothing	113
" " Mason - Democrat	86
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Senate of Ky. Jas. McKee	110
Commonwealth Atty - J.S. Drury-K.N	114
For Legislature- D.C. Daniel	111
" " Dr. L. C. Jeffries	86
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Aug. 11 Crops are fine. The Democrats have carried everything before them. I was at Camargo today. Henry Young is awork for me this morning. I went to Town and helped confer the Master's Degree on Richard Apperson, Jr. It was well done.

Aug. 15 Ann and I went to Oil Springs on Friday. I stayed all night and came home today.

Aug. 16 Went to Jos. H. Jons'. Went to meeting up Slate, went to Dock Wills' and got dinner.

Aug. 19 Went to S. Frame's funeral. 4 were baptized by immersion. Came to Tick and got my dinner.

Aug. 20 Went to Nathan Williams' one hour before day. His wife had a boy. Came by S. Powell's. Stopped at Church, and Anderson's.

✓ Aug. 21 To Turnpike meeting, to Lodge. We initiated Thos. W. Redmon & Hiram M. Curry. We had a good attendance.

✓ Aug. 24 To Camargo and let out the Turnpike to George Sprague.

Aug. 27 I went to J. H. John's and to Town. John Hines was convicted to the Penitentiary today for two years. Rained today. Roads very muddy.

Aug. 28 James Hines was cleared today. I came by Chas. Hazelrigg's. E. G. Orear and Ann were there. Clear today.

Sept. 1 I went this morning at 3 o'clock to N. A. Wills, his wife is sick. Came to Jos. H. Johns. He died today at 1 o'clock P. M. Press Stephens I mean died. Doctor and Mrs. Sappington and Solomon Spratt are here today.

✓ Sept. 10 I went to Mrs. Prewitt's a little after midnight. Her woman had a child. Came home before daylight.

Sept. 18 I went to John J. Jeffries last night. His wife had a baby.

Sept. 20 To Camargo to Church. Mr. Rand, Dud & Eliza came home with us.

✓ Sept. 26 I went to Town and was at the Lodge. Isaac F. Calk was initiated. Came home with Capt. G. Parrish and stopped at his house.

Sept. 28 I got my rye out this morning, at the land at Dr. Sappington's.

✓ Oct. 5 I went to Mr. Anderson's. Went in his buggy to Sycamore Meeting. To Jack Shubert's, to Nathan Williams, ate dinner at H. R. C. Greenwade's.

Oct. 6 Ann and I went to Sycamore to Church.

✓ Oct. 9 I went with Mr. Anderson on the Road. We were ✕ at Mr. Chenault's. I went to Camargo to the Turnpike meeting. W.O. Gilkey, Jo Anderson and Dr. Ricketts were present.

Oct. 10 I was at Camargo from there to Mount Sterling. Came by Dudley's and got his buggy for Ann and I to go to Lexington in the morning. The Grand Lodge meets on Monday next.

Oct. 11 Ann and I went to Lexington today. Clear and beautiful. We staid all the week and got home on Saturday evening.

Oct. 20 I went early this morning to John J. Jeffries' to see his wife. Stopped at Greenwade's. Cutting corn clear today. Frost last night.

Oct. 21 I went to John Sappington's. Harriett had a boy.

Oct. 22 Finished cutting up my corn today. Mrs. Prewitt is here this evening.

Oct. 23 I went to Wm. F. Craig's. Mrs. Craig had a baby, a girl. I went to John J. Jeffries to see his wife. Sowed my rye today.

✓ Oct. 24 I went to Camargo. Paid my installment on Turnpike Road, which amounted to \$62.50.

Oct. 27 Mrs. Mary Ann Cockrell & Mrs. Sally Parrish are here, and Dr. Sappington'called.

Nov. 1 Ann and I went to Tick to meeting and ate dinner at Henry R. C. Greenwade's. Mrs. Sarah Lee Collins joined the Church and was baptized at the Levee by Mr. Asbell.

Nov. 6 I went to Town and stopped at Lewis D. Wilson's. I went from there to Thomas Fox's. His child is very bad indeed. I went from there to John Alexander's, to David Cox's to see his child. ✕

Nov. 7 W. W. Apperson came home from Town with me.

✓ Nov. 9 Rained all night. I went this evening to David Cox's. Could not cross Slate. Turned very much cooler.

Nov. 13 Mr. Covey and I are going to Town this evening. Went to Town. Raining. W. W. Apperson and Mr. Holeman staid here tonight.

✓ Nov. 14 Apperson, Holeman & I went to Mr. N. Covey's to breakfast. We got there at sunup. Clear and beautiful morning. We went to Red River to install officers of new Lodge. We had a good time. I installed them. W.W. Apperson spoke. He made a fine speech. Ann and Mrs. Greenwade were there. Got home at 7 P.M.

Nov. 15 Ann & I went to meeting. Dud & Eastin went with Ann to Dr. Sappington's to dinner. They had fish. Dud & Eastin came home with us.

Nov. 20 Quite cold this morning. Mercury 14 degrees above zero. This is about the coldest day I ever saw for the time of year. John W. Clay was here this morning and we talked about selling our farms. I went to Camargo, stopped at Jos. Anderson's. Pulled Ada's tooth. Lewis D. Wilson is here, Snowing & blowing, Very hard tonight .

* Nov. 21 Lewis D. Wilson stayed here last night. Very cold tonight that is last night. This morning is very clear and cold. Dud and I went to Town today. John W. Clay and I traded land today. He gave me \$5000 for my land and I gave him \$8300 for his. I am to pay him \$1100 on the 1st of March next, \$1100 on the 1st of March, 1859 and \$1100 on the 1st of March, 1860. We are to make deeda 1st March next. Snowing and blowing hard all day. Very disagreeable. Lost Leora's boots.

Nov. 22 I am at home today. I have done less than I have for seven years. I have taken up exercise. I have thought today how much happiness I have had here in the last seven years. I hate to leave but I must certainly go.

Nov. 30 I went to V. C. Hainline's this morning at 2 o'clock. It began raining before I got there and rained all night. Mrs. Hainline had a girl baby. Cynthia Fowler is here, W. O. Gilkey came here for me to go to Pike Meeting, clear when we got home.

Dec. 1. Almost clear today, and warm. I went to Dr. Hood's^{*} burying today. He was buried by the Masons at Judge French's old place. There were about fifteen at it. It was a beautiful day.

Dec. 7 I am going to start Leora^{to}/school this morning at Miss Julia Adams.

* Dec. 11 Clear perfectly. I went to Lewis D. Wilson's. Went to James P. Magowan's, went to Aaron's Run to Polly M. Treadway's. Ann Treadway and William Wilson were married by Mr. Caldwell. There were a good many at the wedding.

Dec. 12 Perfectly clear. Went to Samuel O. Wilson's to Infair. There were a good many there. Came to H. Caywood's and staid all night.

Dec. 13 Came home from H. Caywood's today. John J. Jeffries is here tonight. Roads are very muddy. Ann went with me the whole route, she is well pleased with her trip and likes our new farm.

Dec. 14 Killed my hogs today. Capt. Parrish helped me. Mrs. Prewitt and Mrs. O. Smith are here today. W. F. Craig helping today.

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Dec. 15 I am at home all day salting my meat and making my slide. Capt. Parrish is helping me salt up my meat.

Dec. 21 Roads are very bad indeed. Ann is at Mrs. Oldham's helping them fix for Immatta's wedding.

Dec. 23 I am at home. Jere Cockrell is here. Ann went home with him. M. W. Anderson is here and bought one hundred acres of my mountain land at Five Hundred Dollars to be paid on the 6th of March next.

Dec. 24 I went to Mr. Oldham's to Benjamin Cockrell's wedding. He married Immatta Oldham. Mr. Rand married them. There were a good many there. Ann helped them fix. We came home at 10 P.M.

Dec. 25 This is the 7th Christmas I have lived here. I am well pleased. But I must go. I hope that I may live to enjoy many such as I have here. My days have been happy here. The Meridian of my life has been in this house. I was at Josiah Anderson's. I was at Wm. Cockrell's to Ben's Infair. There were a great many there. They had a good time of it. I hope they will do well in this world, as their parents are my friends and are good and clever people.

A newspaper clipping " Dr. Jeffries. In another part of the paper will be found the medical card of this gentleman, offering his services to the people of the West and North Western part of this county. Dr. J., is an old and successful practitioner and the people of the section among whom he has just cast his lot, may well congratulate themselves upon so valuable an acquisition among them. Dr. J. independent of his professional attainments is a high minded and honorable man, and a man of general information and intelligence. He expects to devote himself very closely and studiously to his profession in his new home, to the exclusion of everything else, trusting thereby to merit the patronage of the people".

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Jan. 1 I went to Town. There were a good many people there.

Jan. 6 I went to John Kinney's. His wife had a daughter stopped at B. F. Hind's.

Jan. 7 I went this morning to survey my mountain Land to M. W. Anderson, but could not do it, in consequence of not having the field notes. I went to Town and got them. Ann is at Jess Baldwin's. Capt. Parrish is shucking my corn that he bought of me.

Jan. 11 I went to Camargo. Our board met. All present. We made a final settlement with Sprague. He says that he will not give up this road.

Jan. 18 Ann and I went to Town. Ann to Dud's. We staid all night. Tolerably good day.

Jan. 19 Came from Dud's this morning. Surveyed my land today.

Jan. 20 I went to Camargo today. We let out two sections of our road, one to M. Gibbons & one to Patton Gibbons. I sold 20 barrels of corn to Doherty. Remarks on Weather. The winter thus far has been one of uncommon warmth. A great deal of rain, and very muddy.

Jan. 23 Doctor J. M. P. Spratt was here today and bought some of my jars and etc. Mr. Doherty was also here.

Jan. 27 I went to Camargo. Went into contract with Willoughby to build road.

Jan. 28 I was at Camargo, went to Town and then to John W. Clay's, stayed all night.

Jan. 29 Came by Harrison Caywood's this morning. Came from Town with G. Parrish.

Feb. 6 Clear and pleasant. Ann & I went to Sycamore Meeting. Went to H. R. C. Greenwade's and ate dinner. I went to S. R. Collins' to see his child.

Feb. 11 This is the most magnificent day I ever saw. Capt. Parrish and Polly Barnett are here today. I went to Col. Jere C. Orear's and settled with him. Came by Camargo. Not very many there.

Feb. 16 Ann and I stayed all night at Dud's. I went to Town so did she. Samuel R. Collins is here this evening.

Feb. 19 I went to Aaron's Run to see Jas. R. Wilson. Very bad riding indeed.

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Feb. 20 Came from Jas. R. Wilson's today. Cold and cloudy. was at Jos. Anderson's. Sharper is sick.

Feb. 21 Ann and I went to Camargo to meeting for last time. Commenced snowing, before we went to bed a very deep snow on the ground. Mrs. Sally Tipton died this morning at 1 o'clock of pleurisy.

Feb. 27 W. Barnett and Harrison gone to mill. Ann and I are at Dishong's. We went to Camargo. I conferred the degree of Heroine of Jericho on Mrs. Doctor Ricketts, J. P. McCormick and Doctor Ricketts. Also the Eastern Star on Mrs. Dishong, Mrs. Ricketts, Doctor Ricketts, Mrs. Culbertson. We got supper at the Ricketts'.

March 7 Went to W. F. Craig's. Ann was with me. I went to Sycamore Meeting, went to Greenwade's for dinner, came back to Craig's. Mrs. Bettie Prewitt was there. This is the coldest morning except one this year. Mercury 2 Deg. below zero. I went to R. Oldham's to deliver his negro woman.

March 12 Jos. Anderson and I traded farms today. I gave him my Jack Mitchell farm and he gave me his Halley farm and I gave him on the first of March next \$1500 to boot.

March 14 I went to J. Anderson's, to L.D. Wilson's, and to Wm. F. & W. D. Craig's. Mr. Anderson & I traded back our farms.

March 15 I went early this morning to Jos. Botts & Jesse Hainline to get them to haul me.

* March 16. I moved to Aaron's Run today. Jos. Botts, Weedon Hainline and my teams moved me. It was a most beautiful day. We did not get here till 9 o'clock in the night. Ann went to Melvina's and so did I. We stayed all night. I left many behind whom I loved well.

March 17 I am at home today fixing up. I went to Harrison Caywood's. Thompson B. Oldham is here today.

March 18 This is my birthday. I went to my old place loaded my wagons & stayed all night in two of them, which I will never forget.

March 19 Came down with a load today. Most beautiful day.

March 20 I am at home fixing up I was to Cassidy's shop. I have so far gotten along very well with my moving.

March 21 Ann and I went to Summerset to meeting. Smith preached. March 22 I went up to old place to get a load

March 25 Ann Caywood is here. I am at home. I went in the evening to Aaron's Run. T. B. Oldham came home with me. I commenced plowing

March 26 Ann and I are at Caywood's. I am plowing. Harrison is hauling manure on my garden. Chas. Harris, Henry Thomas, Newton Reid and others at Aaron's Run.

March 27 I am at brother James'. I am plowing my garden. I went to Aaron's Run this evening.

March 28 I went early this morning to Mrs. B. Mitchell's. Wm's wife was confined. Delightful day.

March 29 John W. Clay is getting out his wheat today.

March 30 I was at Wm. Mitchell's, At Warfen Mitchell's. At Harvey Jeffries', at Aaron's Run.

Apr. 2 This is the Anniversary of my marriage. This day eight years ago, I was married to Ann. A most happy day for me. I always hail its return with joy and gladness.

Apr. 3 I am at meeting today. Ann and I both. We went to Mt. Camel. It is the first time I have been there for fifteen years or 20 years. It called many scenes of my youth back to me. I was at the Lodge to night at Aaron's Run. John Tucker was initiated.

Apr. 4 Ann and I started to Mt. Carmel and when we got to Mt. Ida, we found we were two late. We then went to Grassy Lick, After meeting we went to Mr. R. Oldham's burying, he died this morning at 5 o'clock. He was a man with many more good qualities than bad ones. He was a man of whom I thought a good deal. I regarded him as my friend and these are the ones I love. We went to A. B. Dishong's and spent the night.

Apr. 5 We stopped in Town at L. D. Wilson's. James Hery is here.

Apr. 6 I am at home digging a plant bed. Miss Z. Kemper, Mrs. Edward Kemper, Mary Wilson & Melvina Treadway are here.

Apr. 8 John W. Clay is here this evening. I was at Aaron's Run, got timothy seed there

Apr. 9 I went to Wm. Mitchell, to Mt. Sterling to Camargo. To C. F. Strouse's and stayed all night.

Apr. 10 Bought W. Orear's calves. 11 for one hundred dollars. I was at Camargo and a very large quantity of hail fell as large as a Hen's egg. Probably no one ever saw as great a hail storm.

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Apr. 12 James and I went to hunt my calves today, but could not find them. Harvey Jeffries stayed here tonight.

* April 13 Cloudy and cooler this morning. Harvey Jeffries left here this morning. I think beyond all doubt he is crazy. He seems to be wholly demented. He got up very early this morning and called for his horse before breakfast and did not want to stay until he had eaten. I deeply feel for a man in his fix. I think he is entirely incompetent to attend to anykind of business.

Apr. 14 I went to David Jones' sale. Dr. Little went with me. Ann Caywood is here.

Apr. 19 Went to County Court. Found my calves.

Apr. 20 Mag. Carrington, Hannah Wilson, Ann Caywood are here today.

Apr. 21 I went to John Jay Anderson's, to Warren Mitchell's still house, to Melvina's. John C. Hall and Jo Scott were at Anderson's.

Apr. 29 I am hunting my calves. Quite windy this morning. Planting my corn today. My stock, all of it seems crazy. I cannot keep it anywhere. I was at Melvina's. Wm. Wilson was breaking up her ground.

May. 5 Mrs. Jay Anderson, Amon T. Young, Susan Young, Gen. Johnson, Jas. R. Wilson were here and Luckett Anderson also.

May 8 At Town, Dud, Jim and I went to look at W. B. Tipton's place.

X May 30 Ann and I started to Mt. Carmel and it commenced raining and we stopped at Warren Mitchell's. We came home by T. B. Oldham's.

June 6 On last night there was a great freshet. I never heard it rain as hard as it did on last night in all my life. Aaron's Run and Grassy Lick were both uncommonly high indeed. The gardens at the Run are overflowing.

June 7 I went to William Stofer's today, he is sick.

X June 8 Lewis D. Wilson stayed here last night on his way home from Paris. I went to Wm. Stofer's, he is better. I was at Town.

June 9 I was at T. B. Oldham's today and Wm. Stofer's he is better. Mrs. Kemper was at Stofer's. Ann came home today, Liss Gilkey & Dishong Boys came with her.

June 14 I was at Town today. I settled with Lewis D. Wilson, Rect. of myself and Enoch Jeffries. I also paid Lewis D. Wilson one hundred dollars which he paid to John W. Clay.

June 18 Most beautiful morning. I am going to Town today. I was at Thompson B. Oldham's. I was in the Chapter a short time. R. Apperson, Jr. was being made A Royal Arch Mason. There was considerable rain today in the evening.

June 22 Very warm today. Mrs. Kemper, Mrs. William Stofer, Mrs. Warren and Ann Caywood are here today. * I went to Ben Mitchell. This is the day on which my grandfather John Tapp died.

June 23 I went to Ben Mitchell's, from there to N.M. Town to attend Jno. T. Patterson's examination.

June 26 I was at Aaron's Run to Law Day. John Anderson came home with me and got dinner. I went with him to Town. Asa B. Gatewood and I were at Alma Lodge. No work done. I went with Jos. Anderson home and got a good supper, came home about midnight.

June 29 I was at Cassity's Shop. Ann, Ann Caywood, Melvina & Mary Wilson & H. Caywood were there. People are cutting wheat.

July 3 Cloudy and cool this morning. I was at the widow Mitchell's to see Charles. Ann, Ann Caywood, Melvina and I were at Dr. Greene's. Preached by Thos. P. Dudley. I was at Wm. Wilson's to see William M. Patton's negro.

July 5 I was at Jas. R. Wilson's, at Wm. Wilson's.

July 7 I was at James R. Wilson's. He is better. I and * Ann are at Melvina's. Mr. Scott is cutting his oats. He is tying them up as he cuts them what I never saw done before.

July 8 Ward and Kelly are quarrying rock for my stone fence. There has been a great deal of rain this spring, but now it is dry.

July 9 Mrs. Mary Dishong and Eliza Wilson came here yesterday. Ann, Mary, Eliza, Hannah, Mrs. Patton, Mrs. Lettie James, Col. Brock & I were at Caywood's today.

July 10 Mrs. Dishong and Eliza went home. Henry R. C. Greenwade and Lady came here this evening. Henry and I are at Jim Wilson's.

July 15 I went to the Barbecue at the Sulphur Spring near R. G. Allen's former residence of Sycamore. There were not many there. It was a very disorderly concern. Several fights took place. No one much hurt. James F. Hood and J. S. Drury spoke. Jas. R. Wilson and Col Brock were there. I came to Greenwade's and stayed the night.

July 19 I am hauling in my oats. I went to Mrs. Colliver's. Ann and I were at Melvina's. Harrison Caywood was here last night.

July 20 I was at the Widow Colliver's yesterday to see her grandson. I was there today also. I was at Jas. R. Wilson's today. James Jones, X D. C. Jones and Lady were there.

July 21 Ann has gone to R. Thomas' to day to help fix for young Bob's wedding.

July 25 Most beautiful day this morning. Clear and pleasant. James R. Wilson and Hack Caywood were here. I went to Harrison Johnson's.

July 26 I was at John Anderson's, Genl. Johnson, Wm. Derickson, Jas. H. French, Jos. Johnson, Dan'l. Priest were there.

July 27 I was at Jas. R. Wilson's, at Sam'l O. Wilson's.

July 28 Hervey Jeffries came here this evening. I went to Mr. Rawlins to see his wife.

July 29 I stayed at Rawlins' tonight. His wife had a baby. It was a girl. I went to Wm. Ragan's this morning and got my breakfast. I was at town, There is a great deal of talk about the election.

July 30 I was at D C. Jones twice today. Ann and I were at Jesse Harmon's, I was at T. B. Oldham's to see his negro woman who has something like flux.

Aug. 1 Cloudy & warm. I stayed all night at D. C. Jones Robert Talbott, wife and daughter spent the day here. I was at D. C. Jones, his child is very sick.

Aug. 2 I was at D. C. Jones. This is the Election, it passed off quiet.

Aug. 6 Mrs. Patton, Jas. R. Wilson and Lady are here.

Aug. 7 I stayed all night at Jones'. I went to Harrison Johnson's, his negro had a baby.

Aug. I was at D. C. Jones twice today.

Aug. 12 I was at D. C. Jones', at Jess Harmon's. My hogs are dying of cholera.

Aug. 13 I had a hog dead with cholera this morning and some other sick. I went to D. C. Jones, his child is somewhat better. Ann, Hannah, Ann Caywood & I sent the day at Wm. M. Patterson.

Aug. 17 I was at James R. Wilson's today. I went in the evening to J. Harmon's. His daughter had her leg broken. Ann is at Town.

Aug. 26 I went to to Town with Jno. Kinney, went to his mill - bought his land and oxen. Came to Wm. A. Yocom's and stayed all night.

Aug. 27 I went to Jas. R. Wilson's. Enoch is sick.

Aug. 29 Ann and I are at Jim's. I went to John Jay Anderson's, his child is dangerously ill.

Aug. 31 Stayed all night at John Jay Anderson's. Was at Jas. R. Wilson's.

Sept. 5 I was called to John Maury's this morning, this morning before day to deliver his wife. I had to send for Dr. Caldwell. We worked with her all day. It was a most desperate case and I do not think there is a chance for her recovery, I was also at John Jay Anderson's.

Sept. 8 I was at John J. Anderson's, at Maury's, at William Mitchell's, at John Rogers', at Thos Colliver's, at Abner Colliver's, at Sam'l. O. Wilson's, at John Grubbs', at Jesse Harmon's, at Kemper's.

Sept. 21 I was at T. B. Oldham, at D. C. Jones', at D, S, Hazelrigg's, at Jno. J. Anderson's, Eastin and Nannie are here. John Rogers died yesterday and was buried today.

Sept. 30 I was at the Run. I have gone to Wm. Stofer's. * I went to John Rogers' burying.

Comet 2 I may as well make a record of the Comet, for several days back there has been in the West, one of the most remarkable ones that has ever been seen. The star is very brilliant and the tail has the appearance of being one hundred feet long, large and bright. It makes the night much brighter than it otherwise would be without it.

* Oct. 4 Stayed at Wm. Wilson's. His wife had a boy baby + early this morning. About one hour before sun.

Oct. 5 I went to John Rogers', to Wm. Wilson's, to Bunker Hill.

Oct. 6 I was at Aaron Run's. At Widow Betsy Mitchell's. She has a negro child sick.

Oct. 10 I was at Rogers', at Colliver's. Thompson B. Oldham and I went to Lexington this evening. Got there at 1 o'clock Monday morning, We stayed at the Grand Lodge till Wednesday and came home at 10 P.,.

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Oct. 16 Heavy frost last night. At John Rogers'.
at Wm. Mitchell's.

Oct. 17 I was at John Rogers', at Summerset Meeting,
Ann was with me.

Oct. 25 I was at Aaron's Run. I with several others were
at James R. Wilson's. Dan Webster and Jim played the
violins: about the best music I ever heard. Very clear
tonight.

Oct. 27 Mr. Eshelman is here to paint Ann's likeness.
James R. Wilson here this evening.

Dec. 9 At James R. Wilson's, he is sick.

** Dec. 31 Rained last night. I went early to Melvina's
Mary this evening had a daughter.

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Jan. 7 I was at James R. Wilson's. John Moberly was there. I paid Wilson One Hundred dollars on my note. Weather turned very cold today. Snowed and blowing.

Jan. 8 I was at H. Caywood's, Ann is better. At James R. Wilson's, ~~James R.~~ Jones is there. H. Caywood came home with me.

Jan. 10 I went this morning to Caywood's. Cilla had a girl baby at daylight. H. Caywood came home with me.

Jan. 19 I was at John Rogers' and we divided the negroes.

~~March~~ 19 Calm and pleasant weather. Mrs. James R. Wilson had a girl baby.

June 28 I went this morning at two o'clock to Melvina's to see Mary Wilson's baby, it had the croup.

June 29 I was called to see Perry Wilson's child again this morning. It died at 4 or 5 o'clock.

July Fourth Ann and I were at the celebration today. It was the grandest, most sublime and glorious celebration I ever saw in my life. Richard Apperson, Sr., made a very fine speech. It was a full review of the history of Kentucky. Jas. M. Crawford made a speech. Marion Peters read the Declaration of Independence. Many toasts were read. A great, a glorious and magnificent day.

July 21 At Town. Joshua F. Bell and Beriah Magoffin spoke, there was a very great crowd to hear them.

Aug. 9 Mrs. Jas. R. Wilson, Nannie E. Wilson, Mrs. Reid, Miss Sally Reid, Miss May Wilson, Jas. R. Wilson, Newton Reid and Melvina Treadway were here today.

Aug. 26 Mr. Clay of Bourbon was here and spent the night. Sept. 10 James R. Wilson and I were at Sharpsburg, at the Presbyterian Church. I ate at A. L. Ashby's. We stopped at D. Jones'. Pleasant day.

Sept. 12 I was at the Run. Sold Moses and Bill to Warren Rogers for \$260. Mr. Clay security.

Oct. 31 At Aaron's Run to see Mr. John Wilson, Sr. he got his leg broken by the kick of a horse. I set it assisted by Cassity and H. Caywood.

Nov. 20 Paid James R Wilson \$75 on my land note.

Nov. 28 I bought the land of John Rogers' heirs at \$45. per share of about 9 acres.

Dec. 11 No Sickness. I am doing no good in my profession.

Dec. 13 James R. Wilson's baby is sick.