

- Apr 15, 1851 Tuesday, clear and cool, hands employed getting wood and cleaning up new ground in the upper field, bull bought of Mr. Green died, sow brought of Mr. B. Tyler grazed, lost 2 out of seven.
- Apr 16, 1851 Wednesday, made Bonner pile, hands ploughing and cleaning up new ground, yanked two divan steers & a black steer out of my stock cattle
- Apr 17, 1851 Thursday, cloudy, hands employed getting wood & clearing up new ground and filling up blind ditches.
- Apr 18, 1851 Friday, clear weather, hands employed ploughing and sowing clover and timothy seed on the shop field & on the field I traded Papa.
- Apr 19, 1851 Saturday, weather rainy, hauling plaister and the hands sowing plaister, hauling corn stalks off of the meadow.
- Apr 20, 1851 Sunday, cool and windy, a fine young sow not legible.
- Apr 21, 1851 Monday, cool and windy, Holyday with the hands, hired Billy & Bob to plough and White to harrow in the evening, stopped the ploughs, the land being too heavy.
- Apr 22, 1851 Tuesday, cool and windy, hands harrowing & laying off for planting corn the Horseman went to Haymarket to sell potatoes, hands employed in filling up blind ditches.
- Aug 03, 1853 Wednesday, hauling cooper stuff & 2 hands mowing, went to Wm. A. Balls sale, bought a large copper kettle for \$3.50, 1 keg blasting powder 1.25 for which R. Lewis is to settle, paid Dr. Stuart \$5 to pay drayage on guano, also gave J. P. Hereford an order on McCormick for \$36 to settle Hunton & Brother account, Rain
- Aug 04, 1853 Thursday, 5 hands at Aldie machining, the rest cutting grass & ploughing potatoes, paid Dr. Stuart \$30 for Mr. Towles, borrowed \$5 of Billy, swapped for a cow & steer with J. Catts, gave him 2 cows.
- Aug 05, 1853 Friday, finished threshing at Aldie & moved the machine down, hauling in hay, wood &c., let Butler have a plough at 550.
- Aug 06, 1853 Saturday, set machine & threshed out 246 bushels white wheat.
- Aug 07, 1853 Sunday, went to Haymarket & heard Mr. Towles preach.
- Aug 08, 1853 Monday, threshed out 320 bushels white wheat.

- Aug 09, 1853 Tuesday, threshed out 273 bushels in fallow field & moved machine, took 3 hives bees, turned out well.
- Aug 10, 1853 Wednesday, threshed out 240 bushels (lot made 118 bushels) straw long & badly filled.
- Aug 11, 1853 Thursday, threshed out four hundred bushels wheat, Uncle Fenton & Billy came down & we killed 5 plover, Messrs Taylor & Lucket from Frederickstown came to look at my colts, staid all night.
- Aug 12, 1853 Friday, threshed out 358 bushels wheat.
- Aug 13, 1853 Saturday, threshed out 128 bushels wheat making my crops with the wheat which I shall get out of 90 bushels of tailings amount to 2000 bushels, the best crop I ever raised & the best for the last 50 years on the farm, I also got out 60 bushels rye.
- Aug 14, 1853 Sunday, went to Aldie & heard Mr. Hargreaver preach, J. P. H. Green paid me \$20 he had borrowed of me left \$3 for Wavin & \$3 for Elias.
- Aug 15, 1853 Monday, housing chaff, Ma & Uncle Fenton came down.
- Aug 16, 1853 Tuesday, housing chaff, got corn & steer home from Catts, put mare I got from Buckner to work.
- Aug 17, 1853 Wednesday, housing chaff, started to Alexandria.
- Aug 18, 1853 Thursday, hands housing chaff, In Alexandria had a settlement with Jno. McCormick balance in my favour 350.62, bought 1 bureau, 62 cane bottom chairs \$4, 1 bedstead 4.50, 1 set knives \$12, paid freight storage &c. on guano \$40.50.
- Aug 19, 1853 Friday, came home, paid C. E. Tyler in full \$17.60 & R. Graham \$9.58 for P. Gardine & \$3.09 for Horseman, Jas Green \$2 1/2 for plough (nevuldboard?)
- Aug 20, 1853 Saturday, went to Aldie to Canal Meeting, paid Billy \$50, cleaning up wheat, borrowed 33 logs of Jas. Green, 18 from C. Tyler & 26 from McCormick, paid hands harvest wages.
- Aug 21, 1853 Sunday, went to Haymarket to preaching.
- Aug 22, 1853 Monday, carried 200 bushels wheat to Stage Stables, paid J. Minehan 74.46 cents in full, received 10 bushels of Early Kent wheat from Addison & Meade
- Aug 23, 1853 Tuesday, cleaning up & hauling wheat, carried 200 bushels white wheat, paid old Rachel \$1, Dr. Boyle came to see Nelson.

- Aug 24, 1853 Wednesday, took 260 bushels wheat to Stage Stables brought home 113 bags guano, got 113 bags of C. E. Tyler.
- Aug 25, 1853 Thursday, Carried 270 bushels wheat to Gainesville brought back 121 bags of guano, Mr. Foley got 38, received \$3 from Wm. Foote for 4 bushels buckwheat, club meeting at Dr. Graysons next meeting at Mr.Grays the 4th Thursday the 22nd.
- Aug 26, 1853 Friday, hands mauling rails & enclosing straw ricks, went to Aldie.
- Aug 27, 1853 Saturday, hauling & mauling rails & hauling stone, paid C. Foley \$1.40 cents in full of money paid Mr. Harley.
- Aug 28, 1853 Sunday, went to Haymarket & heard 2 sermons from Mr. (--dleton?)
- Aug 29, 1853 Monday, carried 72 bags 144 bushels wheat to Rail Road, got 5 bundles of bags.
- Aug 30, 1853 Tuesday, carried 150 bushels wheat to Stage Stables, lost one of my fat cattle with the hollow horn.
- Aug 31, 1853 Wednesday, carried down 150 bushels of wheat to Stage Stables, cleaning up wheat & grubbing.
- Sep 01, 1853 Thursday, carried 150 bushels wheat to the Stage Stables, bought 3 tons plaister from C. E. Tyler at \$5.50 per ton, ayreshire cow had a calf.
- Sep 02, 1853 Friday, grubbing & clearing up ground, went to Aldie, let George Gardiner have \$1
- Sep 03, 1853 Saturday, hands hauling house logs, dinner at Norbys, weaned colts.
- Sep 04, 1853 Sunday, came home.
- Sep 05, 1853 Monday, commenced fallowing, Jesse & Harry working in shop, grubbing &c.
- Sep 06, 1853 Tuesday, ploughing & grubbing, went to Aldie, bought a spring wagon at Weeks sale for \$51.50 cents, gave J. P. H. Green \$55 to pay for it & some other things, Uncle Fent, Uncle Cale, Mr. Cox, Mr. Zollicoffer, Bill, Norby, Charley, Frank, Carter, Chuck & Family, Tucker came home with me.
- Sep 07, 1853 Wednesday, ploughing, grubbing &c., went hunting & killed 2 pheasants & 2 squirrels, 1 fox.
- Sep 08, 1853 Thursday, ploughing, grubbing &c.

- Sep 09, 1853 Friday, ploughing & pounding guano, traded cows with Mayhugh gave him \$1 to boot, Rain.
- Sep 10, 1853 Saturday, Rain, hands working pounding guano, had to give Jenny & Jano a severe whipping for quarreling.
- Sep 11, 1853 Sunday, went to Antioch in the morning & Ewells Meeting House in the evening, Mr. Thadius Herndon preached at the former & Mr. Pierson at the latter.
- Sep 12, 1853 Monday, ploughing and blind ditching, went to Aldie.
- Sep 13, 1853 Tuesday, ploughing, cutting tops, went to Aldie.
- Sep 14, 1853 Wednesday, ploughing, cutting tops, went with wife to Wm. Footes & thence to visit at Woodlawn & Dr. Macrae, heavy rain in the evening.
- Sep 15, 1853 Thursday, cutting tops in the morning & ploughing in the evening, went to (-----?) to the races, sent to Dr. Macrae for peaches, bought 7 head fat cattle from Mr. E. Foley for \$181.
- Sep 16, 1853 Friday, ploughing & covering blind ditches, Dr. Boyle came to see Alfred, went to Aldie killed 4 squirrels, 1 pheasant & 1 hawk, Sold my drill to Billy for 25 bushels corn.
- Sep 17, 1853 Saturday, ploughing & covering blind ditches, bought steer from Jas. Green at \$25.
- Sep 18, 1853 Sunday, went to Ewells to preaching, dogs crippled 4 of my sheep.
- Sep 19, 1853 Monday, went to Aldie to Canal Meeting, hands ploughing & getting tops, received \$10 of J. Ellrey from Mrs. Gardiner.
- Sep 20, 1853 Tuesday, ploughing in the morning & putting up fodder, Rain, performed operation on cow with a spoilt bag.
- Sep 21, 1853 Wednesday, ploughing & burning brush, went to Stage Stables, wife & Cousin Lucy went to spend the day with Mrs. Ewell.
- Sep 22, 1853 Thursday, ploughing & setting up fodder, sent to Stages Stables for my new guano sowing wheat drill, delivered 10 bushels wheat into Major Tylers Mill, paid cousin Lucy \$7.50 interest on note for \$126, gave Mrs. Gardner \$10 sent her by Mr. T. Elrey, gave Charley a check for \$400 on McCormick.
- Sep 23, 1853 Friday, ploughing and harrowing, commenced cutting off corn.
- Sep 24, 1853 Saturday, ploughing & cutting off corn, went to Aldie with family.

- Sep 25, 1853 Sunday, went to Middleburg & heard Mr. (Tlaughtes?) preach.
- Sep 26, 1853 Monday, came home, ploughing & harrowing, cutting off corn, gave E. C. Brown my note payable in the Bank of the Old Dominion at 4 months for \$379., bought coat from Charley for \$9.
- Sep 27, 1853 Tuesday, commenced seeding wheat with my guano drill, ploughing, harrowing & cutting off corn, brought cattle & colt home, bought of Mr. Foley, paid Mrs. Farr \$1 for quilting comfort & cabbages.
- Sep 28, 1853 Wednesday, broke my drill & employed all day in mending it, J. Smith came over & spayed 22 shoats for me, I spayed 7 the first I ever attempted, ploughing, harrowing & cutting off corn, got steer from Mr. Gardiner valued by J. Vermillion & J. Ewell at \$27. 1/2
- Sep 29, 1853 Thursday, drilling wheat, ploughing, harrowing, cutting off corn, paid Jas. Green \$20 for steer owe him \$5, Harriet had a daughter.
- Sep 30, 1853 Friday, drilling, ploughing, harrowing & cutting off corn, White & team hired to Mr. Monroe to haul rock.
- Oct 01, 1853 Saturday, Rain, shelling corn
- Oct 02, 1853 Sunday, went to Aldie
- Oct 03, 1853 Monday, drilling in the early Kent wheat, ploughing, harrowing & cutting off corn, swapped hands with Norby for middlings, made a bad trade.
- Oct 04, 1853 Tuesday, seeding early Kent & Souler wheat, ploughing, harrowing, cutting off corn & hauling out manure, paid old Rachel \$1, got steer home bought of Jas. Green, carried Billys mare over to Lynns.
- Oct 05, 1853 Wednesday, drilling in Soules & Florence wheat, ploughing, harrowing, cutting off corn & hauling out manure, lost 3 shoats from spaying.
- Oct 06, 1853 Thursday, drilling in Florence wheat, ploughing harrowing & cutting off corn.
- Oct 07, 1853 Friday, drilling in wheat, ploughing, harrowing & cutting off corn, borrowed \$3 of J. Green.
- Oct 08, 1853 Saturday, same work as yesterday, went to Aldie heard Mr. Hargreaver preach at night.
- Oct 09, 1853 Sunday, heard 2 sermons from Mr. Hargreaver

- Oct 10, 1853 Monday, drilling in wheat, ploughing, harrowing & cutting off corn, paid E. Stover postage act. 77 cents.
- Oct 11, 1853 Tuesday, drilling in wheat, ploughing &c., carried Mary Foster to Aldie.
- Oct 12, 1853 Wednesday, drilling in wheat, ploughing &c. , went hunting with Uncle Fent & Billy, walked home in the evening.
- Oct 13, 1853 Thursday, drilling in wheat, ploughing &c., altered & marked yearlings, lost my young dog Captain by a tree falling on him.
- Oct 14, 1853 Friday, went to Aldie, drilling in wheat, ploughing &c.
- Oct 15, 1853 Saturday, drilling wheat, ploughing &c. hunting killed 18 birds, dined with Jno Fairfax.
- Oct 16, 1853 Sunday, At Aldie
- Oct 17, 1853 Monday, came home got hind quarter of beef of Norby 91 lbs. at 6 cents, let Willis Foley have 2008 lbs. guano at \$61
- Oct 18, 1853 Tuesday, drilling in wheat, ploughing, harrowing & cutting off corn, cutting logs for joists for kitchen at Aldie.
- Oct 19, 1853 Wednesday, drilling in wheat, ploughing &c., went to Aldie to Canal Meeting, Cousin Barr & Family, Uncle Fent & Billy came home with me, let Henry Swart have 1999 lbs guano at \$65 to be paid 1st of December.
- Oct 20, 1853 Thursday, drilling in wheat, ploughing &c. went hunting over the mountain, let Billy have 4671 lbs of guano being in full of 4 tons. Rain in the evening, hauling logs for Billy.
- Oct 21, 1853 Friday, Rain, hauling rails for fodder house, received check from Mr. B. Lockett for \$175 in Bank at Frederickstown in payment for Litchfield.
- Oct 22, 1853 Saturday, hauling logs & making fodder house, sold filly May & Charley, filly Stella to Mr. Jacob K. Edgar for Mr. Paxton of Pennsylvania for \$200 each & loaned the money to Billy.
- Oct 23, 1853 Sunday, staid at home
- Oct 24, 1853 Monday, a violent snow storm, snow appears of 6 inches deep.
- Oct 25, 1853 Tuesday, lent a load of barrels to Capt. Moore, hauling wood, Billy bought 50 cattle for me of Jas. Campbell Cawood at \$22 a hard bargain, went up picked them out & branded them, wrote to McCormick to send me a check for \$1100

payable to Norborne Berkeley, borrowed \$175 of Fayette Swart & gave Norby a check for that amount to get cashed in Leesburg on Friday & pay him.

- Oct 26, 1853 Wednesday, hauling logs & putting up hog pen, commenced putting up my hogs & feeding them on pumpkins, Mr. Powell sold 3 cows during my absence for 27 apiece, went after coal.
- Oct 27, 1853 Thursday, Rain, hauling logs & putting up hog pens, received \$61.25 cents of Willis Foley for 2008 lbs. guano, club meeting at Winston Carters, next meeting at Josiah Carters 4th Thursday in November.
- Oct 28, 1853 Friday, hauling logs, cutting off corn &c. went hinting and killed in company with L. Lynn 22 partridges, 4 rabbits, 2 squirrels & caught at night 1 coon & 9 opossums.
- Oct 29, 1852 Saturday, hauling logs, shocking corn &c. went to Aldie in the evening, paid M. Foster \$5 she is now in debt \$3. 1/2 cents & for a pair shoes 1.37
- Oct 30, 1853 Sunday, heard Mr. Kinsolving preach in the morning & at night.
- Oct 31, 1853 Monday, came home, hauling off pumpkins & corn, putting up hog pen.
- Nov 01, 1853 Tuesday, ploughing, hauling off corn &c. went to Jas. Wilsons sale paid off B. Noland balance on Mr. Campbells account \$14.58
- Nov 02, 1853 Wednesday, drilling wheat in barn lot, ploughing & hauling off corn, putting up hog pen.
- Nov 03, 1853 Thursday, drilling wheat, ploughing, harrowing & hauling off corn, went hunting & killed 15 partridges, 3 hares & 1 squirrel.
- Nov 04, 1853 Friday, drilling in wheat, ploughing &c.
- Nov 05, 1853 Saturday, drilling in wheat, ploughing &c., went to Aldie, paid Dr. Boyle \$40, killed a wild turkey, weighed 6 cattle averaged 777 1/2 lbs., came home, received of R. H. Carter a note of Ariss Buckner for \$5.22, a check on the Farmers Bank of Alexandria for \$400. and \$138 in cash for his bond for \$1000 and also received his note for \$1515 payable the 15th Nov 1854 in exchange for the note of H. K. Seaton, let Mr. Powell have one horse, Mr. Minehan ditching.
- Nov 06, 1853 Sunday, staid at home, let Mr. Powell have \$5
- Nov 07, 1853 Monday, drilling & shoveling in wheat, Mr. Minehan ditching, hunting, killed 11 partridges.

- Nov 08, 1853 Tuesday, shoveling in wheat, paid Sampson Hutchinson \$45 interest on \$750. Paid Dr. Callen \$4.50 for myself & \$4.00 for Charley.
- Nov 09, 1853 Wednesday, Rain, making fodder house, shelling corn, preparing guano &c., my guano drill gave out & had to be cast aside, swapped horses with L. Lynn & am to give him \$46 to boot.
- Nov 10, 1853 Thursday, shoveling in wheat, sowing guano &c., went to Dr. Wm. Powells sale, property sold high, paid Burr P. Noland \$84.60 for 90 bushels seed wheat, & \$1 for a latter.
- Nov 11, 1853 Friday, seeding, women shucking corn, hauling & threshing out buckwheat. 1 coon & 5 opossums.
- Nov 12, 1853 Saturday, finished seeding, threshing out buckwheat, put up hogs, received \$1 from Mrs. Carter for talon, Mary Foster received \$1 making with shoes bought at Oders 87 1/2 cents due me at this date, Mary Foster left.
- Nov 13, 1853 Sunday, Rain, Staid at home.
- Nov 14, 1853 Monday, hauling logs, shucking corn, we went to Aldie, let Green have 58 lbs. hams at 15 cents & got 116 lbs middlings at 12 1/2.
- Nov 15, 1853 Tuesday, hauling logs, shucking corn &c. hauling posts for Mr. Monroe.
- Nov 16, 1853 Wednesday, hauling out straw, shucking corn, &c.
- Nov 17, 1853 Thursday, hauling out straw, shucking corn & went fox hunting & caught a fox in 25 minutes.
- Nov 18, 1853 Friday, came home, hands hauling out straw & shucking corn.
- Nov 19, 1853 Saturday, went to Mr. Lewis's for 10 barrels apples at \$2 per barrel, sent to lime kiln for 18 bushel lime at 30 cents, hands shucking corn.
- Nov 20, 1853 Sunday, at Aldie
- Nov 21, 1853 Monday, started with my cattle for Baltimore, sent them to J. Harts & returned to Aldie.
- Nov 22, 1853 Tuesday, got to Meens's, paid hands bill \$10.62 1/2, put cattle in stalk field, bill 5.25, swam cattle across the Potomac had a great difficulty, put up at L. Means, bill paid \$8.25
- Nov 23, 1853 Wednesday, drove to\_\_ Means, bill 8.25



Nov 24, 1853 Thursday, drove to Browns, bill 7.25

Nov 25, 1853 Friday, drove to Tabmans, bill 7.12

Nov 26, 1853 Saturday, staid at Tabmans, bill 7.12

Nov 27, 1853 Sunday, drove to Herberts, bill 21.50

Nov 28, 1853 Monday, drove into the scales & sold the cattle to William Simpson for 3.25 and the weigh bill paid.

Nov 29, 1853 Tuesday, received payment for cattle in fall \$1355, came to Georgetown.

Nov 30, 1853 Wednesday, received \$4.39 1/2 of Mr. Miller for my brother William, came to Alexandria paid Addison & Meade \$70 on account of wheat drill &c.

Dec 01, 1853 Thursday, came home & found things getting on pretty well, the hands had been getting in & housing corn & hauling stone, went to Aldie found all well, paid Billy \$439 1/2 sent him by Mr. Miller & he paid me \$170 which he owed me.

Dec 02, 1853 Friday, divided cattle, hands busy pulling off & hauling in corn, paid Brawner account in full \$31

Dec 03, 1853 Saturday, brought cattle home, hands at same work as yesterday.

Dec 04, 1853 Sunday, staid at Aldie.

Dec 05, 1853 Monday, carried wife & Cousin Lucy to Stage Stables to go to Washington, gave wife \$26.50, brought home 250 bags for Billy from Tyler, paid Mr. Gardner \$25.

Dec 06, 1853 Tuesday, hands hauling in corn, sent W. Carter \$9

Dec 07, 1853 Wednesday, went to Aldie, hands pulling off & hauling in corn, borrowed 6 spareribs, 5 horse lots & some other scrap pork from Norby, barrel of flour from Mr. Brawner.

Dec 08, 1853 Thursday, finished hauling in corn, appraisement of my fathers estate at Aldie, paid Tillet 5.40 for 18 bus. lime lent Billy 212 - 50.

Dec 09, 1853 Friday, getting wood, killed a hog, preparing for a shucking, went to Gainesville, paid Jas. Green \$5, had shucking at night 50 hands shucked out 100 barrels.

Dec 10, 1853 Saturday, housing corn, Major Tyler, Mr. George Green and James Green appraised the land and Negroes, The old Evergreen Tract was appraised at ten dollars per acre, the Graham Tract at \$6 per acre, the North and East Tract at \$10 per acre, Norbys largest piece of mountain land at \$10 the smallest at \$3, Jenny

and 3 children at \$1250, Billy Lewis \$650, Bob \$600, Harry \$400, Nat \$150, Jano \$400, Grace & Randal \$300.

- Dec 11, 1853 Sunday, At Aldie
- Dec 12, 1853 Monday, started for Hanover and got as far as Irvines, killed a large (---tton?) & carried the saddle to Uncle Call, bill 3.50
- Dec 13, 1853 Tuesday, reached Airwell & found all well.
- Dec 14, 1853 Wednesday, went fox hunting with a party of Hanover huntsmen after a bagged fox & caught him after a 5 hour hunt.
- Dec 15, 1853 Thursday, dined at Dewberry
- Dec 16, 1853 Friday, started for Caroline but meeting Billy turned back to Airwell.
- Dec 17, 1853 Saturday, started for Caroline with Uncles Callender & Fenton & Billy & Norby, crossed at Gwathoneys & came near being swamped, reached Goose Ponds in the rain.
- Dec 18, 1853 Sunday, went to Beulah to preaching.
- Dec 19, 1853 Monday, Messrs. Ryland Trent & Cocke appraised the Goose Pond Plantation, Negroes, Stock &c. to 60, land at 15 dollars per acre.
- Dec 20, 1853 Tuesday, the appraisers appraised Hays at 15 per acre & including Negroes & stock amounted to \$62000
- Dec 21, 1853 Wednesday, at the Goose Ponds, Uncle Call better lent Norby \$25, paid Temple Moore \$55.
- Dec 22, 1853 Thursday, started & came to Airwell, lent Norby \$30, paid Temple Moore \$55, lent Norby \$150, traded horses with Uncle Call.
- Dec 23, 1853 Friday, started for home & got as far as Irvines, 46 miles, bill 2.50
- Dec 24, 1853 Saturday, reached home & found wife and children & servants well.
- Dec 25, 1853 Sunday, Christmas Day, staid at home
- Dec 26, 1853 Monday, killed beef, gave Mr. Powell a hind quarter, dined at Major Tylers, paid Billy Queen 50 cents on wheat, Nelson 25 cents for 2 chickens & lent Billy Lewis 62 1/2 cents
- Dec 27, 1853 Tuesday, Holyday with the hands, went to Aldie, lent Norby \$22

- Dec 28, 1853 Wednesday, cold snow in the evening, sent \$18.37 1/2 to Miss Smith for Linsey by Mr. Powell, let Mr. Rookard for which I am to get coal, went to dining party at John Chapmans.
- Dec 29, 1853 Thursday, went to Aldie
- Dec 30, 1853 Friday, hiring day at Aldie, Lucy appraised to \$225, Betty \$750, Arianne \$900, Martha \$850, Ailsie \$700, George \$475, hired Lucy to Lemuel Daniel for \$32 1/2 & Martha 65, Payne Rogers for \$35, Norby hired Arianna at \$45, paid John Lynn \$50 for toll wheat, sent Ma \$2
- Dec 31, 1853 Saturday, came home, lost Judy's colt it having slipped into deep ditch & got drowned, paid Cousin Lucy \$7, received \$3 from Cynthia.
- Jan 01, 1854 Sunday, staid at home
- Jan 02, 1854 Monday, killing hogs, 60 including Mr. Powells jacks borrowed 2 hands from Aldie.
- Jan 03, 1854 Tuesday, cutting up & packing away pork, 59 hogs made, 8,270 lbs averaging 143
- Jan 04, 1854 Wednesday, sent hog to Aldie to Mr. Green weighing 208 lbs., sent meat borrowed of Norby & Ma home, carried 57 bushels tailing wheat to Gainesville & sold it to C. E. Tyler at 150 cents per bushel sent 26 hogs to Alexandria, received draft on Jno McCormick for \$60 & left \$24 to my credit on C. E. Tylers books, got 2 tons plaister at 5.25, went to Alexandria.
- Jan 05, 1854 Thursday, In Alexandria, left \$900 with Jno. McCormick to take up my note in the Bank of the Old Dominion for 21 tons guano, including \$180 for Norby & 180 for the Estate, hands at home getting wood got 52 bushels coal from Bob Rockhard for which I owe him 60 cents, hands getting wood, Bob & Harry went to Aldie to get timothy seed.
- Jan 06, 1854 Friday, came home, hands getting wood, Bob & Harry at Aldie getting out timothy seed.
- Jan 07, 1854 Saturday, hands hauling fodder &c., went to Aldie, received check from Billy on J. M. McCormick & Company for \$106 & enclosed it to E. C. Brown
- Jan 08, 1854 Sunday, staid at home
- Jan 09, 1854 Monday, commenced filling ice house, carried family to Aldie to meet Uncles Alexander & Fenton & paid Grandpapa \$21 1/2 and sold him 3 sheep for \$8.50 & gave back a receipt for \$36 interest to cousin L. Simpson in lieu of paying J. McCormick \$66

- Jan 10, 1854 Tuesday, hands hauling ice, settling accounts between Grandpapa & cousin Lucy, came home in the evening.
- Jan 11, 1854 Wednesday, went to Aldie to breakfast, made a division of the estate, estimated the shares at \$35,500 each, Ma gets the home place & Negroes and assumes the payment of Grandpapa's anmity for which she is allowed \$10,000 of property, during his life Billy takes the Hays Plantation at and has to pay Mr. Cox, Charley gets an interest of in the Goose Ponds & by paying Norby \$16,200 get an interest of \$29,400, Mr. Cox also takes 600 acres of land in Prince William.
- Jan 12, 1854 Thursday, hands clearing up new ground
- Jan 13, 1854 Friday, at Aldie, lent Ma \$5.50 cents & gave Billy \$40 to pay for a portrait, hands fencing & hauling rocks.
- Jan 14, 1854 Saturday, came to Evergreen, hands clearing up new ground, mauling rails hauling stone & fodder.
- Jan 15, 1854 Sunday, in Aldie
- Jan 16, 1854 Monday, the barn at Aldie burnt to the ground, paid Luther Lynn \$40 on horse tacks, dined at Mr. Footes, hands hauling rock, cutting wood
- Jan 17, 1854 Tuesday, laying rock in the kitchen floor & hauling rock, went to Aldie at night.
- Jan 18, 1854 Wednesday, came home, paid Graham the tailor \$17.25 cents in full, laying rock in the kitchen floor, gave Mr. E. Foley note for \$45 for cream colt & also statement of guano & cattle account on which \$46 was due him.
- Jan 19, 1854 Thursday, sent 61 1/2 bushels corn to Stage Stables & sold it for 62 cents \$38.13, let Mr. Powell have the money, laying stone, hauled a load plank from Gainesville for Geo. Gardiner.
- Jan 20, 1854 Friday, hauling rock & laying kitchen floor, went to Aldie paid Lodge fees \$7.50
- Jan 21, 1854 Saturday, in Aldie, gave Oden \$5 for Padgett, paid Tom \$5, gave Uncle Thomas through Billy \$25.
- Jan 22, 1854 Sunday, in Aldie heard a sermon from Mr. Hargreaves.
- Jan 23, 1854 Monday, get my team start for Alexandria with a load wheat for Ma, paid Juno \$1 on hog, came home, hands getting wood & hauling fodder, paid Nat \$1.25
- Jan 24, 1854 Tuesday, hands filling rocks, cutting wood &c. , took up my note to Mrs. Bruin & gave note to Sidnor Bruin for 8.26 25/100 payable in the Exchange Bank of

Alexandria on 20 of November 1854, received \$40 of Mr. E. Foley & \$40 from Mr. W. Foley for clover seed & gave it to Dr. Grayson also \$120 for 28 bushels clover seed & 2 timothy, club dinner at Major Tylers all the members present, agreed to take 2 barrels family flour from Ariss Buckner for services of horse the past season & am not to charge him for one mare next season.

- Jan 25, 1854 Wednesday, went to Aldie, received \$5 1/2 from Ma, hands clearing up new ground &c., paid Billy 50 cents for book, traded old carriage & harness to Lafayette Elgin for a bay horse & \$25.
- Jan 26, 1854 Thursday, came home, hands clearing up new ground & hauling wood.
- Jan 27, 1854 Friday, hands clearing up new ground, mauling rails &c., paid R. Rookart 50 cents in full for coal, bought 3 stacks hay of L. Lynn for 30 dollars.
- Jan 28, 1854 Saturday, hands clearing up new ground, mauling rails &c. went to Aldie, team started to Alexandria with wheat for Ma.
- Jan 29, 1854 Sunday, In Aldie heard Rev. Mr. Kinsolving preach.
- Jan 30, 1854 Monday, came home with family, hands cutting & mauling, Bob was impudent and ran off.
- Jan 31, 1854 Tuesday, hands cutting & mauling, went to Aldie
- Feb 01, 1854 Wednesday, hung meat, hands grubbing & mauling, heard of Bob in Fairfax jail, sent for spring wagon, sold cart to Mr. Tarr to take it out in hauling rock.
- Feb 02, 1854 Thursday, started 2 ploughs, hands grubbing & mauling, went to Aldie in evening, got \$20 of the 38 I paid Powell from him.
- Feb, 03, 1854 Friday, came home, hands hauling wood & getting stakes for fence.
- Feb 04, 1854 Saturday at home, hands getting stakes, hauled 110 barrels to Capt. Moore, killed a wild gobbler.
- Feb 05, 1854 Sunday, went to Haymarket and heard a fine sermon from Mr. Dalzymple.
- Feb 06, 1854 Monday, went to Fairfax Court House & took Bob out of jail & upon his begging forgiveness & promising never to so again I brought him to Aldie, paid the jailer \$8.40, hands getting & hauling stakes, Mr. Farr commenced hauling rock.
- Feb 07, 1854 Tuesday, came home, received \$3.50 cents from Mr. W. Foley on clover seed, hands hauling rock & mauling rails.
- Feb 08, 1854 Wednesday, rain, hands making stakes.

- Feb 09, 1854 Thursday, hands quarrying up & hauling rock off of the house field, sent to Mr. Rookards for 39 bushels of coal.
- Feb 10, 1854 Friday, sent spring wagon to Gainesville for Aunt Luty's & Cousin Lucys baggage, borrowed \$60 of Mr. E. Foley & left 68 dollars at Major Tylers Store for Mr. Weedon for taxes, sent to George Greens for a stack of hay bought of L. Lynn, hands cutting & mauling rails, Cousin L., Aunt Luty Heslop & Burke staid all night.
- Feb 11, 1854 Saturday, hands hauling off rock, let Mr. Carter have 12 acres to put in corn & Thomas a colored man 10 & Mayhew 8, to put in corn of which I am to have one third.
- Feb 12, 1854 Sunday, went to Antioch & heard Mr. Herndon preach.
- Feb 13, 1854 Monday, started 3 ploughs & the rest of the hands cutting rail timber, White went after a load hoop poles.
- Feb 14, 1854 Tuesday, ploughing, hauling rock & fencing ewes, commenced having lambs.
- Feb 15, 1854 Wednesday, ploughing & fencing & hauling out rock, Rain, we have had a continuous spell of thawing and freezing the worst on clover & wheat that I ever remember.
- Feb 16, 1854 Thursday, snow, hands shelling corn &c., went to Aldie, took hounds & caught a large red fox.
- Feb 17, 1854 Friday, hauling wood, hauling rocks, cutting wood & rail timbers.
- Feb 18, 1854 Saturday, hauling rock & fixing fence, commenced sowing clover seed, Fanny sick.
- Feb 19, 1854 Sunday, went to Haymarket & heard a sermon from Mr. Towles.
- Feb 20, 1854 Monday, Snow, hands shelling corn, snow all day, the deepest I ever remember seeing, being 3 feet deep on a level, lost 1 calf & 2 lambs in snow, went to Aldie.
- Feb 21, 1854 Tuesday, gave Norby my notes for \$15,000 in payment for my purchase of his interest in Goose Ponds & owe him 1200, also Charley my note for \$2201, came home in the evening found the snow drifted so as to render the lanes impassable, lost 2 calves & 3 lambs, Jesse had to be punished for impudence to overseer.
- Feb 22, 1854 Wednesday, making racks & attending to stock.
- Feb 23, 1854 Thursday, finished filling ice house with snow & getting wood.

- Feb 24, 1854 Friday, filling rocks & getting wood, settlement in full with my tenant G. Carter also had a settlement with Mr. Powell.
- Feb 25, 1854 Saturday, went to Aldie, hands getting wood, dined with Mr. Fairfax, bad luck with my lambs, lost nearly one third that have come & do not think I will ever have them to come so soon again, borrowed \$5 from J. P. Green, gave Powell 11.31 cents for his Aunt, interest on note of \$188.
- Feb 26, 1854 Sunday, At home, heavy rain, snow melting & branches higher than I ever saw them.
- Feb, 27, 1854 Monday, hands scraping up manure.
- Feb 28, 1854 Tuesday, hands cutting coal wood &c., red fox that I had boxed died, always chain them instead of cooping them.
- Mar 01, 1854 Wednesday, hands cutting & hauling coal wood and scraping up manure.
- Mar 02, 1854 Thursday, hauled load of hay from Greens, cutting coal wood & scraping up manure, went to Aldie.
- Mar 03, 1854 Friday, hauling hay, hands cutting & scraping up manure, went with wife to Dr. Ewells to spend the day.
- Mar 04, 1854 Saturday, hands hauling hay, rock, & cutting wood & scraping up manure, paid Mary Foster \$2, received payment from C. Wheat \$28 1/2 for beef cow & 46 for steer from Aldie, sold steer to T. Owens for \$18.
- Mar 05, 1854 Sunday, staid at home.
- Mar 06, 1854 Monday, went to Brentsville to attend the court as juror, paid Dr. Grayson \$2 1/4 balance on timothy seed, started 3 ploughs, hands fencing.
- Mar 07, 1854 Tuesday, In Brentsville, hands ploughing and fencing &c.
- Mar 08, 1854 Wednesday, came home, ploughing & fencing, called at Stage Stables & found bag of timothy seed missing, had another furnished by C. E. Tyler & sent to Mr. Greys in his wagon.
- Mar 09, 1854 Thursday, ploughing and hauling rock &c., lost a fine heifer cause unknown.
- Mar 10, 1854 Friday, ploughing and hauling rock, paid Mr. Powell \$2 for 2 turkeys.
- Mar 11, 1854 Saturday, hauling rock it being too wet to plough.

- Mar 12, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie heard Mr. Hargreaves preach.
- Mar 13, 1854 Monday, Ploughing & hauling rock, Grand Papa, Uncle Fent, Aunt Luty, Cousin Lucy, & Burk came down, sowing clover seed with seed sower but could not get it to sow thick enough.
- Mar 14, 1854 Tuesday, ploughing and hauling off rock, went fox hunting caught 2 grey foxes, staid in Aldie at night.
- Mar 15, 1854 Wednesday, came home, ploughing & hauling off rock.
- Mar 16, 1854 Thursday, ploughing and hauling out fodder, planting peas &c., got 2 bushels of potatoes from Mayhew.
- Mar 17, 1854 Friday, ploughing in the lot, hauling out fodder, stone, &c., planting potatoes, mare bought of Uncle Call.
- Mar 18, 1854 Saturday, ploughing and hauling out rock, went to Haymarket & received 35 dollars from H. Swart on his note for 65, voted for T. Hereford for constable.
- Mar 19, 1854 Sunday, staid at home
- Mar 20, 1854 Monday, ploughing, hauling rock &c., went to Alexandria.
- Mar 21, 1854 Tuesday, went to Washington, paid Ma \$10 for Charley, gave Mr. Cox \$121 1/2 to pay for some furniture, ploughing at home, hauling rock &c.
- Mar 22, 1854 Wednesday, received of Wm. Martin 158 for 21 3/4 cords of bark, snow storm.
- Mar 23, 1854 Thursday, came home, lent W. Carter \$23 1/4, hands hauling rails &c., dined with the club at Dr. Grays, full meeting, paid C. E. Tyler \$146 1/4 for Capt. J. Moore, next club dinner at Dr. Swarts on Wednesday 19th of April.
- Mar 24, 1854 Friday, severe freeze, the peaches & cherries I think are gone, hauling rails & fencing & ditching, took my wife to call on Dr. & Mrs. Gray, the Miss Carters, and F. & Mrs. Lewis, bought half rick of straw from Jas.Green for 10 dollars.
- Mar 25, 1854 Saturday, ploughing, ditching and hauling rock, went to Aldie, paid Mrs. Galleher \$3.50 for Molly.
- Mar 26, 1854 Sunday, heard Mr. Hargraves preach.
- Mar 27, 1854 Monday, got 7 1/2 bushels oats from J. P. Green, came home, ploughing, ditching and filling racks, piling stone.



- Mar 28, 1854 Tuesday, ploughing, ditching & hauling rock.
- Mar 29, 1854 Wednesday, went to Stage Stables, traded horses with J. Catts & got \$2 1/2 boot, ploughing, ditching and hauling rock.
- Mar 30, 1854 Thursday, brought my family home, snow, sold J. Carter 2 little stacks of hay for \$10 and 1 1/2 bushels potatoes, sent Mary & children to Fairfax C. H. by Jas. Swart, gave him \$2.50.
- Mar 31, 1854 Friday, went to Haymarket for Mrs. Miller, received \$18 of J. Owens for steer, hauling wood.
- Apr 01, 1854 Saturday, went to Stage Stables, team hauled 84 bushels wheat for Jas. Green, brought back load of furniture, bought barrel of tar from C. E. Tyler, hands hauling rock.
- Apr 02, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie.
- Apr 03, 1854 Monday, ploughing and hauling rock, borrowed \$60 of G. E. Green, paid Mrs. Carter 92 cents for Billy Lewis, Dr. Ewell came to see Nelson.
- Apr 04, 1854 Tuesday, ploughing & hauling rock, went to Aldie, paid Uncle Fent \$26 borrowed for Charley, paid R. Andrew \$7 for fruit.
- Apr 05, 1854 Wednesday, ploughing and hauling rock, started for Washington, bill commenced work again.
- Apr 06, 1854 Thursday, ploughing & hauling rock, Timothy Minehan commenced work, borrowed \$12 of Billy in Washington.
- Apr 07, 1854 Friday, ploughing & hauling rock, Powell mare had a bay colt, in the District bought some fruit trees.
- Apr 08, 1854 Saturday, ploughing and hauling rock, came to Aldie, received \$5 of Mr. Boswell for 2 bushels soules wheat, borrowed 450 of Spinks, paid the jailer at Fairfax C.H. \$17.50 cents for board of Mary and children, paid Mr. Powell \$4 for his Aunt.
- Apr 09, 1854 Sunday, came down to see Nelson.
- Apr 10, 1854 Monday, ploughing & hauling rock & ditching, set out fruit trees.
- Apr 11, 1854 Tuesday, ploughing, started a harrow, hauling rock, & raising house, went to Aldie at night.
- Apr 12, 1854 Wednesday, went to Georgetown & thence to Alexandria on horseback, hands ploughing, hauling stone &c., borrowed two hundred dollars of J. Spinks.

- Apr 13, 1853 Thursday, bought some clothes, left \$24 with Jno McCormick for 1/2 ton of guano and \$21 for fish, bought 6 chairs for Mr. Powell, freight 50 cents, came home, hands ploughing & harrowing & hauling rock, raising house in the evening.
- Apr 14, 1854 Friday, ploughing & harrowing, finished raising house, let Mr. Carter have a barrel corn at \$3.50 charged to Mr. Powell.
- Apr 15, 1854 Saturday, rain, shelling corn & hauling wood, sent Billy Lewis 50 cents.
- Apr 16, 1854 Sunday, a severe snow storm.
- Apr 17, 1854 Monday, still snowing, snow about 12 inches deep, feeding cattle on corn.
- Apr 18, 1854 Tuesday, hauling straw and wood, went to Aldie.
- Apr 19, 1854 Wednesday, went to Stage Stables after fish, sowing clover & timothy seed.
- Apr 20, 1854 Thursday, hauling plaister, packing fish, fencing &c., paid C. Foley \$22 on account.
- Apr 21, 1854 Friday, hauling plaister 140 bushels in all, left \$50 with Miss T. Green for Geo. E. Green, fencing & hauling rock.
- Apr 22, 1854 Saturday, fencing & hauling rock, paid Mr. Minehan \$2, let Belt have 1 barrel corn on Down's account.
- Apr 23, 1854 Sunday, staid at home.
- Apr 24, 1854 Monday, ploughing & blind ditching, started for Goose Ponds of C. E. Tyler, received \$15 on 4 barrels flour.
- Apr 25, 1854 Tuesday, ploughing & blind ditching at home, reached Goose Ponds & found all well & everything looking well traveling expenses down \$7.
- Apr 26, 1854 Wednesday, at Goose Ponds, bought yoke of oxen from C. Mahon for \$47.50 cents, traded spring wagon with J. Eubank for a horse cart and 3 steers, paid T. Moore for Norby \$25, settled account up to this date with him, hands at home ploughing & blind ditching.
- Apr 27, 1854 Thursday, started for home, missed the car and reached Washington at 5 o'clock next morning expenses up \$7, hands at home hauling off rock & blind ditching.

- Apr 28, 1854 Friday, received 11.50 of J. Spinks the gross sum of sale of woman Mary & Family, paid Creighton & McNairs account of \$26.99, hands at home hauling out stone & blind ditching.
- Apr 29, 1854 Saturday, reached home found hands fencing &c., paid Major Tyler 51.38 cents in full of all accounts to this date including \$16 for Gardiner, received from him \$31 on his note to Goose Creek & Little River Company.
- Apr 30, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie heard Mr. Hargreaver preach.
- May 01, 1854 Monday, all hands getting (tan bark aonnings?), commenced work in garden.
- May 02, 1854 Tuesday, ploughing & setting up bark, went to Stage Stables for Mrs. Miller, broke wagon tongue paid Hulfish 50 cents for mending it, paid R. Lewis 11.50 in full on 10 barrels apples.
- May 03, 1854 Wednesday, ploughing, harrowing & blind ditching, sent Charley 150 and sent McCormick draft on McConkey for \$480, altered & marked 18 calves, planted parsnips, jalsify, cymblins, okeny, manoufat peas.
- May 04, 1854 Thursday, ploughing, harrowing & blind ditching, planted corn in the orchard.
- May 05, 1854 Friday, ploughing, harrowing & blind ditching, planted corn in the orchard.
- May 06, 1854 Saturday, laying off corn ground, ploughing, harrowing & blind ditching, went to Aldie, paid J. P. H. Green \$5 and \$3 borrowed of him sometime before also paid John Lynn \$5 in full on toll wheat.
- May 07, 1854 Sunday, at home, Juno had a daughter.
- May 08, 1854 Monday, laying off & planting corn, ploughing harrowing & blind ditching, paid Geo. Downs \$20 more on bark & let him have 15 bushels plaister & 1 1/2 bushels seed corn, received 3.50 cents of Spencer for a barrel of corn.
- May 09, 1854 Tuesday, planting corn, ploughing & harrowing, Mr. Farr & Son helping, Mrs. Miller & family arrived.
- May 10, 1854 Wednesday, planting corn, finished breaking up & harrowing, Billy & Norby came down, paid Norby \$300 three hundred dollars & gave him a draft on McConky for one thousand more.
- May 11, 1854 Thursday, started for Tennessee got as far as Washington, left hands planting corn, paid J. Catts through Mr. Powell 6.85 cents for Ma's cattle, paid G. Mayhew 2.50 for shingles.
- May 12, 1854 Friday, reached Wilmington having traveled through a very poor country.

May 13, 1854 Saturday, reached Augusta to dinner & Atlanta to breakfast next morning.

May 14, 1854 Sunday, reached Knoxville at 10 o'clock at night, the trip having cost about \$40

May 15, 1854 Monday, In Knoxville dined at Mr. E. McClungs

May 16, 1854 Tuesday, In Knoxville

May 17, 1854 Wednesday, In Knoxville

May 18, 1854 Thursday, In Knoxville

May 19, 1854 Friday, started for Rogersville to see Judge Williams.

May 20, 1854 Saturday, reached Rogersville & found the Judge well.

May 21, 1854 Sunday, went to hear the Methodist minister Mr. Hall preach.

May 22, 1854 Monday, started for Knoxville

May 23, 1854 Tuesday, reached Knoxville at 9 & started at 12 o'clock for home with the three servants the Judge gave me, Ned, Celia & Mary, reached Loudoun at night.

May 24, 1854 Wednesday, reached Atlanta in the evening and Augusta next morning.

May 25, 1854 Thursday, reached Wilmington to breakfast on Friday morning, Jenny had a son.

May 26, 1854 Friday, reached Weldon to dinner & Richmond to supper & Washington to breakfast.

May 27, 1854 Saturday, reached home & found all well and the work had gone on well in my absence, trip back cost about \$110.

May 28, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie & heard Mr. Hargreaver preach.

May 29, 1854 Monday, I sheared 106 sheep and marked 56 lambs, replanting corn, Ma & Mrs. Tucker came down & spent the day

May 30, 1854 Tuesday, ploughing & replanting corn, sent to mill for a load of planks, a finch worm in my wheat.

May 31, 1854 Wednesday, rain, shelling corn, set out cabbage plants.

Jun 01, 1854 Thursday, went to Aldie, hands working the road, sent Ma 45, paid Luther Lynn \$20 on hay, owe him 15 yet on hay & horse trade.

- Jun 02, 1854 Friday, Molly had a fine daughter born at (left blank) o'clock in the morning, hands replanting corn.
- Jun 03, 1854 Saturday, ploughing corn & replanting corn, went fishing with Messrs. Lynn & Ewell down Catharpin, only tolerable luck.
- Jun 04, 1854 Sunday, staid at home.
- Jun 05, 1854 Monday, Holyday, hired the hands to plough corn, got W. L. Carter to carry down my account to Brentsville for working the road, also fox scalps.
- Jun 06, 1854 Tuesday, Mr. Miller left for Washington, ploughing & replanting corn, bought 8 chickens from old Phil paid (not given), spotted heifer got of Dr. Grayson had spotted bull calf.
- Jun 07, 1854 Wednesday, ploughing & replanting corn, went to Aldie to carry Ma, went to Dr. Stuart & J. Carter.
- Jun 08, 1854 Thursday, finished ploughing over field first time, ploughing lots 2nd time, replanting corn, heavy rain in the evening, threshing corn, club dinner at Mr. Footes, next dinner at Mr. Buckners last Thursday in July.
- Jun 09, 1854 Friday, ploughing & replanting corn.
- Jun 10, 1854 Saturday, ploughing corn, finished field by Mr. Greens, sent to Aldie for cooking stove & rails, let Mrs. Gardiner have 65 1/2 lbs. wool for which I am to have Linsey in the fall, let Mr. Powell have 15 1/4 lbs. \$3.81.
- Jun 11, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie, Jas. Eblin arrived with the grey horse from Tennessee that Henry Welcker had sent in the exchange for Tauchi & started back with Tan chi, rain.
- Jun 12, 1854 Monday, thinning corn, went to Stage Stables, paid C. E. Tyler \$40 on account.
- Jun 13, 1854 Tuesday, thinning corn, Dr. Stuart came over & altered 5 colts, traded heifer & calf to Mr. Stuart for Norby, I am to pay the boot & let him have my cow until Xmas for which he is to pasture 50 head of cattle 2 weeks.
- Jun 14, 1854 Wednesday, ploughing corn & ground for turnips, also thinning corn, paid Mrs. Carter \$2.50 on chickens & butter, bought Mr. Carters mare & colt for \$100, carried cattle to Waterloo.
- Jun 15, 1854 Thursday, ploughing and thinning corn 1 lb. tobacco for Mr. Powell 25
- Jun 16, 1854 Friday, ploughing and replanting corn.

- Jun 17, 1854 Saturday, ploughing & replanting corn, received \$20 of Mr. Gardiner to pay Graham.
- Jun 18, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie.
- Jun 19, 1854 Monday, ploughing and thinning corn, went to Gainesville, paid Robert Graham.
- Jun 20, 1854 Tuesday, finished ploughing corn field over twice, all hands thinning, went to Aldie bought 9 pair harvest shoes.
- Jun 21, 1854 Wednesday, ploughing corn in boarders and thinning corn.
- Jun 22, 1854 Thursday, ploughing and thinning corn, Mr. Miller and Mr. Oliver arrived, visit from Dr. & Mrs. Ewell, rain in the evening, bad weather on wheat.
- Jun 23, 1854 Friday, ploughing & thinning corn, bought wagon for \$55 from J. Smith.
- Jun 24, 1854 Saturday, ploughing and thinning corn, went with Messr Miller and Oliver to dine at Stokes.
- Jun 25, 1854 Sunday, at home, Alfred got lost in the mountain, searching for him all day, found him at night.
- Jun 26, 1854 Monday, fencing & ploughing corn, grinding sythes &c. lent Cousin Lucy \$2.50, paid Ward for rep. cradles 2.63, paid Maddox balance on coal 85 cents, went to Aldie got cradle of Norby.
- Jun 27, 1854 Tuesday, commenced harvest with 5 cradles, wheat pretty good with a great deal of red rust.
- Jun 28, 1854 Wednesday, running 5 cradles, weather very hot, let Norby have \$40.
- Jun 29, 1854 Thursday, running 5 cradles, wheat injured by the rust.
- Jun 30, 1854 Friday, sick myself, running 5 cradles occasionally & 4 the balance of the time, wheat injured much by the rust.
- Jul 01, 1854 Saturday, running 5 cradles, wheat much injured with rust, Mr. Farr & Son came to help, brought cattle home from Waterloo.
- Jul 02, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie, Bucker rode behind me, weather very warm and rain much wanted.
- Jul 03, 1854 Monday, running 5 cradles, wheat ruined by the rust.

- Jul 04, 1854 Tuesday, very hot, running 5 cradles, great drought.
- Jul 05, 1854 Wednesday, finished harvesting about 3 p.m., crop injured nearly one half by rust, sent hands to Aldie, let Mr. Minehan have 50 cents, borrowed of Mrs. Miller, shower in the evening.
- Jul 06, 1854 Thursday, went to Aldie, hands absent harvesting at Aldie,
- Jul 07, 1854 Friday, hands at Aldie, went to Haymarket and brought home the wagon bought of J Smith for \$65, paid Miss Mary Foster \$5 being 25 cents more than is due her at this date.
- Jul 08, 1854 Saturday, went to Aldie, bought 80 bags for Goose Ponds at 29 cents, 2 pair lames \$1, 2 collars \$3, 2 bridles 2.75, gear \$8, borrowed \$3.50 from Jas. Oden, borrowed a clock to be returned.
- Jul 09, 1854 Sunday, went to Antioch & heard Mr. Herndon preach.
- Jul 10, 1854 Monday, started wagon and 2 sorrel mare to Goose Ponds, ploughing corn, sent to Stage Stables for Mr. Miller, sold A. Sullivan my ram lambs for C. Owens at \$250.
- Jul 11, 1854 Tuesday, ploughing corn and cutting oats.
- Jul 12, 1854 Wednesday, ploughing corn & cutting oats, went to Alexandria, got J. McCormick to cash draft on McConkey Pam & Company for \$200
- Jul 13, 1854 Thursday, In Georgetown, hands finished ploughing corn over 3 times
- Jul 14, 1854 Friday, came home, hands mowing.
- Jul 15, 1854 Saturday, mowing, went to Aldie paid Doctor Boyle \$50.
- Jul 16, 1854 Sunday, in Aldie
- Jul 17, 1854 Monday, hands mowing, paid hands harvest wages except Grace.
- Jul 18, 1854 Tuesday, mowing and shocking hay, went to Middleburg, paid Oden \$3.50 borrowed of him, let Green have 354 lbs. wool at 25 cents.
- Jul 19, 1854 Wednesday, hands mowing and shocking hay, paid Jim harvest wages in full.
- Jul 20, 1854 Thursday, stacking hay and wheat & plowed an acre in Ruta Baga's
- Jul 21, 1854 Friday, stacking wheat & hay, let Mr. Powell have a barrel of fish cost in Alexandria 6.25, paid Minehan \$5.

- Jul 22, 1854 Saturday, mowing and stacking wheat and hay, received \$70 of A. Sullivan for 28 lambs.
- Jul 23, 1854 Sunday, went to Middleburg & heard Mr. Kinsolving preach.
- Jul 24, 1854 Monday, came home & brought family home, finished stacking wheat in barn lot, mowing &c., paid Mr. Powell \$5 for Mr. Farr, let Powell have 50 cents.
- Jul 25, 1854 Tuesday, went to Alexandria & got my tooth plugged by Dr. Williams, paid him \$4, bought bedstead & chair from Hanferd \$13 paid, paid H. Smith account 12.10 bought 1 doz. cups & saucers 275 paid, received 19.86 cents from Wm. Marden.
- Jul 26, 1854 Wednesday, came home sent 2 wagons 9 horses and 4 hands to Aldie to help thresh wheat, stacking hay.
- Jul 27, 1854 Thursday, went to Ariss Buckner to dinner had a fine dinner, & pleasant time, next club dinner at W. L. Carters the 4th Thursday (23) of August, hands stacking hay.
- Jul 28, 1854 Friday, stacking hay.
- Jul 29, 1854 Saturday, went to Aldie, hands fencing, dinner at Ma's, paid Capt. Moore \$15 he gave me for C. E. Tyler.
- Jul 30, 1854 Sunday, at home.
- Jul 31, 1854 Monday, putting on tire, mauling rails &c.
- Aug 01, 1854 Tuesday, went to Mr. Looks sale of sheep, hands hauling rail & mauling rails. Severe drought.
- Aug 02, 1854 Wednesday, dined at Norbys with Judge Huntington and several other gentlemen.
- Aug 03, 1854 Thursday, commenced machining late, got old Mr. F. in the evening.
- Aug 04, 1854 Friday, machining, wheat turning out badly on account of rust, got 2 hands from Mr. Foley.
- Aug 05, 1854 Saturday, machining 2 lands from Mr. Foley, in the evening went to Stage Stables for Mr. Miller.
- Aug 06, 1854 Sunday, at home, wife, Mr. & Mrs. Miller went to Haymarket to church, I was pre---ted by a large bile the first I ever had.



- Aug 07, 1854 Monday, machining stopped about 1 o'clock by a slight shower of rain, 2 hands from Mr. Carter & 3 from Mr. Foley, bought mare from Josiah Carter for \$80 for G. Gardiner, paid him \$30 & gave note for \$50 payable on 1 Jan.
- Aug 08, 1854 Tuesday, threshing wheat, paid Mr. Carter for his wife \$3.00, 2 hands from Mr. Carter, paid Mr. Carter on chickens \$3.00
- Aug 09, 1854 Wednesday, threshing wheat that grew in barn lot & Pettys lot, much injured by rust, Powell cow had a fall calf.
- Aug 10, 1854 Thursday, housing shaff.
- Aug 11, 1854 Friday, housing shaff, settled with Mr. Minehan, paid him 1.50 cents owe him \$69 dollars in full.
- Aug 12, 1854 Saturday, housing shaff, a hard shower in the evening lasting 15 minutes, the best since the 25th of May, paid Mr. Powell 2.25
- Aug 13, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie & heard Mr. Hargreaves preach.
- Aug 14, 1854 Monday, housing shaff, bought a bay colt from Jas. Dodd for \$35.
- Aug 15, 1854 Tuesday, took up 4 hands to Aldie to help raise the barn, the rest fencing.
- Aug 16, 1854 Wednesday, hands at Aldie raising barn, fencing at home, paid Jim 1.25, started one plough to fallowing.
- Aug 17, 1854 Thursday, ploughing and fencing.
- Aug 18, 1854 Friday, started three ploughs, fencing and mowing off briars, sent to R. Rookard for coal 25 bushels.
- Aug 19, 1854 Saturday, ploughing and cleaning off briars, hauling stone.
- Aug 20, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie.
- Aug 21, 1854 Monday, ploughing and cleaning up, sawing cooper stuff and hauling rock and sand, paid Mr. Farr 50 cents for chickens, 2.50 for machining.
- Aug 22, 1854 Tuesday, ploughing, grubbing up briars &c., started with my brother for Caroline got as far as Fredericksburg.
- Aug 23, 1854 Wednesday, got to Goose Ponds and found every thing getting on well.
- Aug 24, 1854 Thursday, staid at Goose Ponds, settled account with Moore and bargained with him for another year at \$350.

- Aug 25, 1854 Friday, started for home got as far as Fredericksburg, the weather very hot.
- Aug 26, 1854 Saturday, reached home found everything had gotten on well during my absence, hands had been ploughing, putting up coal kiln, clearing up briars.
- Aug 27, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie heard Mr. Hargreaves preach, received check from McConkey & Company for 15.18 dollars & sent it by Norby to Alexandria.
- Aug 28, 1854 Monday, traded 3 year old sorrel filly with Billy for 2 old horses and am to get \$50 to boot, ploughing & clearing up wheat, paid Mr. Jeffries \$2 on shingles, sent 5 hides to Hopewell to be tanned.
- Aug 29, 1854 Tuesday, ploughing and fencing, Garret went to work, went to Aldie, paid R. Rookart \$1.50 in full for coal.
- Aug 30, 1854 Wednesday, ploughing and clearing up ground, went to Gainesville borrowed 36 guano bags of J. Catts.
- Aug 31, 1854 Thursday, hauled 99 bags 198 bushels, soules wheat to Gainesville and brought back 68 bags of guano, borrowed 100 bags of Josiah Carter.
- Sep 01, 1854 Friday, hauled 96 bags 192 bushels white wheat to Gainesville, received 200 bags of Jno McCormick & borrowed 25 of Josiah Carter, cleaning up wheat.
- Sep 02, 1854 Saturday, hauled down 94 bags 188 bushels of white wheat to Gainesville, clearing up wheat.
- Sep 03, 1854 Sunday, went to Haymarket to preaching, paid Mr. Towles through Dr. Stuart my subscription \$30.
- Sep 04, 1854 Monday, ploughing & clearing up briars, went to Aldie, sent Billy \$2.
- Sep 05, 1854 Tuesday, ploughing, clearing up ground and cutting off corn, received \$5 from Billy, wife, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Price & Cousin Lucy spent day at Mr. Footes.
- Sep 06, 1854 Wednesday, ploughing and clearing up, went to Gainesville to a meeting for the purpose of organizing an agricultural society adjourned over to 2 Wednesday in November, received \$2 of E. Foley for W. Rose, paid C. Thomas 45 cents for shoeing horse &c.
- Sep 07, 1854 Thursday, ploughing and clearing up ground.
- Sep 08, 1854 Friday, hauled 190 bushels white wheat to Gainesville, brought home 44 bushels corn & 4 1/2 tons guano for Ma, paid J. Jeffries \$2 on shingles, hands cleaning up wheat.

- Sep 09, 1854 Saturday, hauled 48 bushels white wheat to Gainesville, hauled back plaister, paid Garrett \$5 borrowed \$50 of Geo. Smith, hands cleaning up briars.
- Sep 10, 1854 Sunday, at home.
- Sep 11, 1854 Monday, ploughing & harrowing and cleaning up land, had to have Harry whiped for impudence to the overseer, sent 26 \_ shingles to Aldie.
- Sep 12, 1854 Tuesday, started to Alexandria, hands ploughing, harrowing & cutting off corn, got McCormick to cash a check on the Bank Of The Old Dominion for \$575., paid Addison \$24, paid Meade & Eaches \$26, carried cattle to Waterloo.
- Sep 13, 1854 Wednesday, came home, hands ploughing, harrowing, & cutting off corn, paid George Smith \$60, paid Jas. Dodd \$35 for colt, paid C. E. Tyler \$12 in full, paid Robert Graham \$10.45 for Mr. Gardiner.
- Sep 14, 1854 Thursday, Rain, ploughing & cutting off corn in the evening, Ma, Nonie, cousin Lucy, & the 2 Charlies came down, went coon hunting & caught 1 large coon, a possum & 2 pole cats.
- Sep 15, 1854 Friday, ploughing, harrowing, rolling fallon, & cutting off corn, paid J. P. H. Green \$75 to take up my note given Osbourne's estate.
- Sep 16, 1854 Saturday, ploughing, harrowing & rolling ground, went to Stage Stables after sundries, paid J. P. H. Green one hundred dollars
- Sep 17, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie
- Sep 18, 1854 Monday, ploughing, cutting off corn & preparing guano, club dined at Evergreen, all present but Dr. Stuart & Major Tyler, paid J. Mayhew 24 dollars for getting 10,000 shingles, paid Mr. Forsythe \$17 for Norby.
- Sep 19, 1854 Tuesday, ploughing, cutting off corn, paid J. Mayhew \$1 in full for shingles, bought 2 colts from H. Swart for \$55, Ma's Mah Nelson died.
- Sep 20, 1854 Wednesday, harrowing & finishing up corn ground, cutting off corn, carried Mr. Miller to Stage Stables
- Sep 21, 1854 Thursday, commenced seeding with 2 drills, ploughing & harrowing, cutting off corn, went to Mrs. Ewells funeral, Mr. Maddox & Mr. Goddard came up to see my horse, bought colt of Mr. Foley for 35 dollars.
- Sep 22, 1854 Friday, seeding Early Kent Wheat with 2 drills, ploughing & cutting off corn, paid Mr. Baller for Bills work 20.62 1/2 in full, also Mr. Foley \$35 for a bay colt also Mr. Powell \$14, for Logan 9 of it charged to him, do for Garrett \$3 in fall, paid

Jeffries \$3 on shingles, borrowed \$2 of Mr. Miller, attended the burial of Virginia Tyler, sent Norby 56 bushels wheat at 1.80 cents \$100.

- Sep 23, 1854 Saturday, seeding & ploughing & harrowing, cutting off corn.
- Sep 24, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie.
- Sep 25, 1854 Monday, seeding in fallow, finishing up corn land and cutting off corn.
- Sep 26, 1854 Tuesday, seeding ploughing and cutting off corn, went to Mrs. Lewis's sale, bought a (Saltram?) colt for \$39, a black horse 6 years old for 83.1/2, a cutting box 2 1/4, chairs 85 cents.
- Sep 27, 1854 Wednesday, finished seeding fallow field and are afraid the wheat is drilled too thin & the guano rather heavy, ploughing & cutting off corn, gave a check to Norby on the Mechanic Bank Of Baltimore for \$883.83 cents, he to retain all but \$400 of it, moved cattle.
- Sep 28, 1854 Thursday, seeding, ploughing, &c., lent Mr. Forsythe a hand to machine, lent Grand Pa \$42, went to Gainesville brought home sulfuric acid to dissolve bones.
- Sep 29, 1854 Friday, drilling in wheat, cutting off corn, started down the country with the drill, hauled load of wheat to Gainesville for Grand Pa, reached Irvines bill \$2.
- Sep 30, 1854 Saturday, reached Goose ponds & found all well, Bill at Bowling Green 50 cents, paid for spectacles for Delphy 50 cents.
- Oct 01, 1854 Sunday, went to Beulah heard sermon from Mr. Fox, dined at Dr. Gwathneys.
- Oct 02, 1854 Monday, started drill to work, went over to Hays.
- Oct 03, 1854 Tuesday, started home, bill at Irvines 1.75
- Oct 04, 1854 Wednesday, bill at Tullars 25 cents, reached home & found wife complaining, work had gone well during my absence.
- Oct 05, 1854 Thursday, drilling wheat, cutting off corn & ploughing & harrowing.
- Oct 06, 1854 Friday, drilling in wheat, ploughing, harrowing & cutting off corn, staid with Mr. Fairfax & returned to Aldie.
- Oct 07, 1854 Saturday, returned home with Mrs. M., my wife & Mr. Miller remained in Aldie, drilling in wheat, ploughing harrowing, & cutting off corn, lent Jas. Green \$25, went out with my puppy Carlo for the first time & knocked over 7 birds.

- Oct 08, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie heard Mr. Hargreaves preach.
- Oct 09, 1854 Monday, drilling in wheat, harrowing & cutting off corn. Mr. Miller & family left for Missouri, bought 330 merino ewes from Jno Powell at \$2 1/2 and 109 lambs at \$2.
- Oct 10, 1854 Tuesday, drilling, harrowing, cutting off corn & hauling out manure, paid H. Swart \$90 on colts & owe him about 2 1/2 more.
- Oct 11, 1854 Wednesday, drilling in wheat & shoveling in the spring lot, went to Aldie, received \$400 from Norby that I had gotten him to bring from Alexandria, Mr. Miller & family returned from Washington, paid Mr. Cox \$55 for Charlie.
- Oct 12, 1854 Thursday, drilling in wheat, harrowing & shoveling in wheat, hauling hoop poles, sent Norby 20 bushels of seed wheat, went hunting killed 7 partridges 1 squirrel & 1 rabbit.
- Oct 13, 1854 Friday, drilling & shoveling in wheat, harrowing, killed 1 pheasant 12 partridges 1 rabbit & 1 squirrel.
- Oct 14, 1854 Saturday, drilling & shoveling in wheat, killed 2 of Mollys jacks, rain, Susan had a daughter.
- Oct 15, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie.
- Oct 16, 1854 Monday, drilling in & shoveling in wheat, started with cattle for Baltimore, got 1260 lbs guano from Billy, got to Whaleys bill 7.20
- Oct 17, 1854 Tuesday, got to Wm. Means's bill 6.50
- Oct 18, 1854 Wednesday, got to Lewis Means bill 7.25
- Oct 19, 1854 Thursday, got to Browns bill 5.50
- Oct 20, 1854 Friday, got to (not given)
- Oct 21, 1854 Saturday, staid at (not given) bill 8.25, finished seeding at home.
- Oct 22, 1854 Sunday, got to Herberts bill \$18
- Oct 23, 1854 Monday, sold my cattle at 3.25 weighed 900. amounted to 1582, paid Jeffries \$850 in full.
- Oct 24, 1854 Tuesday, in Baltimore bought clover seed, 8 bushels at 6.62 1/2 & 4 at 6.75, 6 bags at 28 cents & drayage 25 cents, came to Alexandria.

- Oct 25, 1854 Wednesday, in Alexandria.
- Oct 26, 1854 Thursday, came home & found all well & hands shucking corn & making fodder house, paid Norby \$800
- Oct 27, 1854 Friday, went after sheep got 328 ewes at 2 1/2 and 110 lambs at \$2, gave J. S. Powell draft on McCormick for \$600 and paid him \$440 in full, traded a horse to him and a heifer for 5 merino lambs, one of the ewe lambs died on the way home, hands shucking corn.
- Oct 28, 1854 Saturday, rainy, marked lambs, paid Charley one hundred dollars, sold buck to Dr. Grayson for \$7 1/2, received payment, hauling in corn, paid Jas Monroe \$5, paid Harry 62 1/2 cash for timothy seed.
- Oct 29, 1854 Sunday, rainy at home, paid (Jem?) 75 cents in full for chickens.
- Oct 30, 1854 Monday, covering coal pile, sent to Lewis 15 after cutting box, paid Rookart for coal in full 1.50, paid Jeffries on shingles \$2, Mrs. Carter \$2 1/2, started to Richmond & reached Washington.
- Oct 31, 1854 Tuesday, reached Richmond and attended the State fair, found great difficulty in obtaining a ram.
- Nov 01, 1854 Wednesday, attended the Fair a highly creditable exhibition and was much pleased.
- Nov 02, 1854 Thursday, at the Fair, witnessed the ploughing match, saw a labor ascent for the future.
- Nov 03, 1854 Friday, attended the closing of the Fair.
- Nov 04, 1854 Saturday, went to Hanover.
- Nov 05, 1854 Sunday, attended Fork Church & heard a sermon from Mr. Stringfellow.
- Nov 06, 1854 Monday, went to Goose Pond and found all well.
- Nov 07, 1854 Tuesday, at Goose pond, Uncle Call and Charles Cooke arrived.
- Nov 08, 1854 Wednesday, at Goose Ponds.
- Nov 09, 1854 Thursday, paid Moore \$110.12 1/2 for taxes &c., went to the junction with Uncle Call & took the cars.
- Nov 10, 1854 Friday, left for home, reached Washington.

Nov 11, 1854 Saturday, reached home and found all well.

Nov 12, 1854 Sunday, staid home.

Nov 13, 1854 Monday, hands shucking corn, went hunting & killed 13 partridges & 1 rabbit.

Nov 14, 1854 Tuesday, hauling & pulling off corn, went hunting killed 10 partridges.

Nov 15, 1854 Wednesday, hands hauling in corn & getting wood, killed beef weighed 306, Mr. Powell hind quarter 75 lbs. at 6 1/2 4.87.

Nov 16, 1854 Thursday, hands shucking corn & getting up corn, paid Mr. Farr \$10, 2 of which was for Ma, went hunting & killed 2 partridges, killed 2 hogs weighing 200 & 250.

Nov 17, 1854 Friday, hands shucking corn, sold Ma 45 sheep at \$4 1/2 = \$202.50

Nov 18, 1854 Saturday, hands shucking & housing corn, bought 5 barrels apples from R 9 sh at \$1 1/2 = 750

Nov 19, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie paid Dr. Boyle \$2.50 for (not given)

Nov 20, 1854 Monday, shucking corn & hauling wood, sold Davy to Charley at \$85

Nov 21, 1854 Tuesday, making racks for cattle & pulling off corn, paid I. Hutchinson \$45 interest up to 21st October 1854, killed 4 birds.

Nov 22, 1854 Wednesday, pulling off corn, sent for Dr. Ewell to see my wife, killed 2 partridges.

Nov 23, 1854 Thursday, hauling in & pulling off corn, went over to Fauquier.

Nov 24, 1854 Friday, hauling in & pulling off corn, paid Mr. Powell 1.93 cents, went to Aldie got 10 pair shoes from Green, 4 at 1 1/2, 4 at 1.37 1/2, 1 at 1.15, 1 at 91 cents.

Nov 25, 1854 Saturday, hauling in and pulling off corn, went to Mrs. Bruins sale & bought articles to the amount of 42.82, heard of the failure of Jno McCormick of Alexandria in whose hands I had \$1,000

Nov 26, 1854 Sunday, went to Haymarket & heard Mr. Towles preach.

Nov 27, 1854 Monday, pulling off & hauling in corn, went to Alexandria.

- Nov 28, 1854 Tuesday, In Alexandria bought 12 pair blankets of Ashby & Herbert at 27 cents, and 2 pair at 1.75, bought bill groceries of Kincheloe & Company, bought hat for Mrs. Powell at 1.75
- Nov 29, 1854 Wednesday, came home, hands shucking out corn.
- Nov 30, 1854 Thursday, shucking out corn, dined with club at Josiah Carters, all the members present, next dinner on 20th December at G. Tylers Jr.
- Dec 01, 1854 Friday, shucking & housing corn, went to Aldie bought 50 cattle for Ma at \$11 from a Mr. Hamilton, paid Bill Lewis \$1 for 8 chickens.
- Dec 02, 1854 Saturday, preparing to kill hogs &c., paid Mary Foster \$6.50 in full.
- Dec 03, 1854 Sunday, staid at home, first snow.
- Dec 04, 1854 Monday, hunting wild hogs, caught 5 in good order & saw 8 others.
- Dec 05, 1854 Tuesday, killed 45 hogs which with 2 killed some weeks ago, average 130, let Mr. Powell have 140 lbs. in addition to his 400 lbs. at 5 1/2 = 7.70, 1 sack salt at \$1.70, paid Jeffries \$5 on shingles.
- Dec 06, 1854 Wednesday, cutting up and salting pork, let Mr. Powell have 2 lbs. tobacco at 20 cents.
- Dec 07, 1854 Thursday, preparing to haul ice, hauling wood.
- Dec 08, 1854 Friday, hauled 6 wagon loads, 3 ox carts & 4 2 horse wagon loads of ice.
- Dec 09, 1854 Saturday, hauling ice 12 loads.
- Dec 10, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie
- Dec 11, 1854 Monday, shucking corn, traded horses with Norby, am to keep 18 head cattle 2 months to boot, went to Gainesville gave Dr. Grayson \$70 to give the sheriff for taxes.
- Dec 12, 1854 Tuesday, shucking corn & making racks for cattle.
- Dec 13, 1854 Wednesday, cutting and hauling wood, making rack, killed 7 partridges & 1 rabbit.
- Dec 14, 1854 Thursday, cutting & hauling wood, let Mr. Powell have 25 cents.



- Dec 15, 1854 Friday, cutting & hauling wood, went to Aldie, wound up the business of the estate, received one of R. H. Carters notes to get cashed, replaced broken axe to Green got another.
- Dec 16, 1854 Saturday, came home, cutting & hauling wood.
- Dec 17, 1854 Sunday, staid at home.
- Dec 18, 1854 Monday, making sheep shelter, went security on a note for Norby to Sampson Hutchinson for \$12.50
- Dec 19, 1854 Tuesday, making sheep shelters, went to Aldie borrowed \$40 of Norby.
- Dec 20, 1854 Wednesday, making sheep shelters & hog house, club dinner at G. Tylers, paid Dr. Grayson \$6 in full of all dues, next dinner at Mr. Buckners on 25th January & next here in February.
- Dec 21, 1854 Thursday, hauling fodder
- Dec 22, 1854 Friday, hauled load barrels to Aldie, paid old J. Powell \$20 on shingles and gave him a order on S. Hutchinson for the remainder, R. H. Carter came & took up his note for 1550 with 13 months interest by giving me his check on the Farmers Bank for \$1153.50, also one in do for \$450, also a check on Farmers Bank for \$59, he also took up his note due the estate for \$1000 with 2 years interest by paying \$400 a check on Bank of Old Dominion for \$500 & order on J. T. Carter for \$241.
- Dec 23, 1854 Saturday, hauling wood, went to shooting match and saw the only two turkeys shot.
- Dec 24, 1854 Sunday, staid at home.
- Dec 25, 1854 Monday, Xmas day and a very fine one, went to Aldie & paid Billy over the money & check received from R. H. Carter, he settled Ma's account with me by an order on Charley for \$60 and paid him off his money borrowed, I paid Charley \$50 and let Norby have a check for \$59 paid J. P. Green \$2
- Dec 26, 1854 Tuesday, Rainey, Pickett came over and hired Jano at \$35, I also borrowed 75 dollars from him & took a bond of Mr. Foote for 452. 73 cents, married Harriet to Mr. Clark's man Thomas.
- Dec 27, 1854 Wednesday, borrowed \$300 of Mr. E. Foley & took in all my notes due him & gave him my note for 729.93, I also took up note given Sidnor Bruin by paying Benoni Harrison \$600 and gave my note payable the 27th of January for \$233.
- Dec 28, 1854 Thursday, paid Mr. Minehan \$5 & gave him my note for \$64

- Dec 29, 1854 Friday, hands cutting wood, went to sale of John Sullivan deceased and bought wheat for 20.25, sleigh gear &c.
- Dec 30, 1854 Saturday, hands cutting wood, went back to sale gave my note for \$106 of which 38.42 was for Norby & 28.80 for Charley, also bought a table for Mr. Powell at \$4.20, Tinning in Aldie, hired Simon, cousin Lucy at \$30, hired man for Ma of Aris Buckner at \$100 and gave my note for it, paid Cockrells account 22.31, paid P. Ish for apples & he paid \$5 insurance to (horse?), paid the tailor opposite Greens 125 for pair pants, let Charley have \$35, gave my note to John Iden for \$85 for bay mare, paid H. Swart 2.50 in full.
- Dec 31, 1854 Sunday, went to Aldie.
- Jan 01, 1855 Monday, hands hauling & cutting wood, paid Charley Powell \$20 on shingles, let Mr. Powell have 1 lb. tobacco.
- Jan 02, 1855 Tuesday, hands, cutting & hauling wood, went to Aldie traded horses with Charley, let him have Fanny Powell for Pompey & \$75, am to have the two little Boston mares nicked & (---tled?) & let him have them at \$400, paid him \$5, traded grey horse to Norby for his carriage & gave him \$30 boot.
- Jan 03, 1855 Wednesday, hands hauling & cutting wood.
- Jan 04, 1855 Thursday, hauling wood & clearing up new ground.
- Jan 05, 1855 Friday, Grand Papa died, a sad loss to us all, went to Aldie.
- Jan 06, 1855 Saturday, Grand Papa was buried in Leesburg, gave Billy Burke \$20 to pay the sexton, commenced ploughing.
- Jan 07, 1855 Sunday, in Aldie.
- Jan 08, 1855 Monday, came home, hands ploughing, clearing up new ground &c.
- Jan 09, 1855 Tuesday, rain, clearing up new ground, let Charley have 1/2 barrel corn, settled with George Gardiner received \$20 from him & he now owes \$23, settled with Mr. Powell paid him \$20 and owe him \$134.
- Jan 10, 1855 Wednesday, hands clearing up new ground &c., went to Aldie, read Grand Papa's will & agreed to act as executor, received \$20 I had given William B. Noland.
- Jan 11, 1855 Thursday, went to Washington with my Miller hands, catching hogs &c.
- Jan 12, 1855 Friday, hands clearing up new ground, In Washington I saw Corcoran & he agreed to take the joint note of Mr. Cox, Billy & myself & resale the lien on

Waterloo, hauled logs for Charlie for which I am to have a cradler 2 days in harvest.

- Jan 13, 1855 Saturday, came home, ploughing & clearing up new ground.
- Jan 14, 1855 Sunday, went to Aldie received \$360 from Billy to take up note due J. M. McCormick & Co..
- Jan 15, 1855 Monday, clearing up new ground &c., left for Washington, got \$30 more of Trans Allegany money from Mr. Pickett to get off, received \$150 & my note for fifty from J. Carter \$40 yet due, went to Richmond at night.
- Jan 16, 1855 Tuesday, attended Geo. Taylors sale & bought 7 Negroes for cousin Burr for \$23.40 & gave my note at 4 months in the Bank of Virginia, went to Goose Ponds.
- Jan 17, 1855 Wednesday, at Goose Ponds settle several accounts with Mr. Moore to amount of 49.09
- Jan 18, 1855 Thursday, went to Richmond, paid Wilson \$89.03 & Hartwell 25.00, went to see Pullian & Davis & left orders to buy a carpenter.
- Jan 19, 1855 Friday, came to Washington, got off Mr. Picket & Allegany money at 10 per cent discount, came to Alexandria, bet D. Tebbs a hat that Wise would be elected.
- Jan 20, 1855 Saturday, came home and found all well & that the hands had been cleaning up new ground, ploughing &c.
- Jan 21, 1855 Sunday, staid at home.
- Jan 22, 1855 Monday, hard freeze, hands straighting run, hauling logs out of new ground &c., paid White & Billy each 75 cents for trees.
- Jan 23, 1855 Tuesday, hands working in new ground &c., hauling rails, paid Mr. Pickett \$100 owe him 17, settled with G. Hutchinson for 4720 shingles & paid 3.50 for Powell & 42 for Gardiner, hung bacon.
- Jan 24, 1855 Wednesday, hands working in new ground and hauling oat fodder, went to Aldie drew on McConkey P.F. Co. for \$285 in favor of Kincheloe & Co. to take up note in Alexandria Bank for 233 & \$50 for Charley.
- Jan 25, 1855 Thursday, hands in new ground, club dined at A. Buckners, next dinner at my house 25th February.

- Jan 26, 1855 Friday, snow storm, hog hunting, bought 2 hogs from Jas Green running wild for \$10, killed them & they weighed about 300.
- Jan 27, 1855 Saturday, hauling wood & sharpening stakes, killed 13 rabbits.
- Jan 28, 1855 Sunday, staid at home.
- Jan 29, 1855 Monday, hands shelling corn & moving shucks &c., snow squall in the morning, settled with Mr. Forsythe up to this date & he owes me \$16 also \$12 for 6 ewes, paid Mr. F. 75 for Ma.
- Jan 30, 1855 Tuesday, hunting wild hogs, caught 4, sent to Sullivans for the (fan?) & sleigh.
- Jan 31, 1855 Wednesday, hauling ice, 5 inches thick
- Feb 01, 1855 Thursday, went to Gainesville with Powell, Carter & Hibbs, thence to Triplets to an inquest over a man that was shot by the name of Huet, paid W. Foley \$2 in full of Buckners school bill, hands filling ice house.
- Feb 02, 1855 Friday, hands hauling wood &c., went to Aldie after Grand Papa's will.
- Feb 03, 1855 Saturday, hauling wood & finished filling ice house, 50 loads 25 wagon 14 ox cart 11 2 horse wagon, borrowed \$102 of John E. Foley.
- Feb 04, 1855 Sunday, staid at home.
- Feb 05, 1855 Monday, killing hogs & clearing up tailings, went to Brentsville bet W. Brawner \$50 against \$100 that Pr. Wm. would not go for Wise, money put up in W. Williams hands.
- Feb 06, 1855 Tuesday, very cold, sent 84 hogs, wheat & 772 lbs. pork to Gainesville, paid Hibbs \$40 for corn for Charley.
- Feb 07, 1855 Wednesday, hauling wood, very cold.
- Feb 08, 1855 Thursday, clearing tailings, shelling corn, feeding cattle &c., lent Mr. Forsythe 1/2 barrel corn.
- Feb 09, 1855 Friday, went to Aldie, hands hauling wood, very cold, lambs dying as fast as they come.
- Feb 10, 1855 Saturday, hauling wood, feeding &c., went to Haymarket.
- Feb 11, 1855 Sunday, staid at home, paid Bill Lewis in full for 9 brooms.

- Feb 12, 1855 Monday, hands hauling wood, went to Gainesville bought pr. shoes of T. Smith for 87 1/2 cents.
- Feb 13, 1855 Tuesday, hauling wood and sawing cooper stuff.
- Feb 14, 1855 Wednesday, hauling hay for Charley, cutting in new ground, let Mr. Ward have \$5 &c.
- Feb 15, 1855 Thursday, attended Washingtons sale & bought articles to Aunt of (not given), hands hauling wood &c., received from Kincheloe & Co. draft for 79.
- Feb 16, 1855 Friday, hands cutting in swamps, went to Aldie to cousin B. Lucketts funeral but arrived too late, lent to sale for articles bought, gave note at 9 months for 57.73, received \$315 for G. E. Green from Billy, gave Charley 20, paid Billy 5 cents Molly 20.
- Feb 17, 1855 Saturday, hands cutting a swamp, went to Waterfall.
- Feb 18, 1855 Sunday, at home.
- Feb 19, 1855 Monday, hands cutting in swamp, paid Powell 10.75 for his aunt, went fox hunting caught 2 greys.
- Feb 20, 1855 Tuesday, hands clearing up new ground, received 1250 from Cousin Burr Noland on Negroes purchased, gave Powell 47 1/2 for belt.
- Feb 21, 1855 Wednesday, hands cutting in new ground, started for Alexandria reached Geo. Town, paid Mr. Cox \$1200.
- Feb 22, 1855 Thursday, came to Alexandria, hands clearing new ground, sent team to Aldie to haul flour for Ma.
- Feb 23, 1855 Friday, came home, received \$40 from J. A. Smith for J. T. Carter, hands cutting in new ground, sent 61 barrels flour belonging to Grand Papa to Gainesville.
- Feb 24, 1855 Saturday, hand cutting in new ground, paid Jo Sinclair \$5.25 cents in fall.
- Feb 25, 1855 Sunday, went to Aldie received 1171.17 cents in checks & orders from B. P. Noland balance for purchase of Negroes, gave Norby \$545 to take up note of Grand Papa's in Leesburg for \$500 and \$45 for Charley.

- Feb 26, 1855 Monday, hauling wood and cutting in the new ground.
- Feb 27, 1855 Tuesday, hauling rails, gave Simon \$3 to go and try the old herb doctor.
- Feb 28, 1855 Wednesday, hauling rails & fencing, club dined here all present but Buckner, Chapman & Tyler, meet next at W. Carters 4th Wednesday in March.
- Mar 01, 1855 Thursday, hauling wood & rails, hands cutting in new ground, paid Geo. Green one hundred and twenty five dollars on his note due from the estate, paid Charley \$35.
- Mar 02, 1855 Friday, hands hauling rails and sowing saphing clover seed on the lots, went with wife to call on Mr. & Mrs. Grey.
- Mar 03, 1855 Saturday, fencing, paid J. Catts 20.78 cents for stack of hay bought for Charley, received payment for 1 mare from do, lent Winston L. Carter 67.13 cents to be returned in 10 or 15 days.
- Mar 04, 1855 Sunday, went to Haymarket & heard Mr. Towles preach.
- Mar 05, 1855 Monday, went to Gainesville to meet Miss Nancy Scott she did not come, hands cutting in new ground, &c.
- Mar 06, 1855 Tuesday, went to Gainesville to meet Miss Scott, ploughing & clearing up land, got 28 bushels 1 peck of oats from Waterloo.
- Mar 07, 1855 Wednesday, went to Aldie with wife & Miss Scott, hands ploughing & clearing up new ground, gave Jas Oden 6 dollars to send on to Arch Bishop on insurance policy.
- Mar 08, 1855 Thursday, ploughing & clearing up new ground, paid L. Lynn \$10 in full of hay & horse trade, paid J. Jeffries \$1 1/2 on shingles, went fox hunting caught 1 fox & dened 2 others, Mr. Gray & family died with us.
- Mar 09, 1855 Friday, came from Aldie in the morning hands ploughing & cutting.
- Mar 10, 1855 Saturday, carried wife to Mr. Footes, went to Haymarket, hands ploughing and clearing up new ground.
- Mar 11, 1855 Sunday, went to Antioch & heard a sermon from Mr. Herndon & temperance address from Rev. Mr. Trone, gave Jas Smith \$5 for Mr. Herndon.

- Mar 12, 1855            Monday, went to Leesburg to qualify as executor of my Grandfathers will & Mrs. Reids will, received \$400 from Capt. Moore for B. P. Noland & paid B. P. Noland \$78, tavern bill 137 1/2, paid clerk 1.50, remained in Leesburg all night, rain.
- Mar 13, 1855            Tuesday, came to Aldie to breakfast and then home, hands grinding horse feed & cutting hay &c., raining.
- Mar 14, 1855            Wednesday, hauling logs and wood, went fox hunting & caught a large red & gray fox & dened another.
- Mar 15, 1855            Thursday, sale at Waterloo, land sold to Charley at \$10 per acre, sold sal mare to Norby for \$140, traded horses with B. Hutchinson and got \$67.50 to boot, sold machine to Sullivan for \$11.
- Mar 16, 1855            Friday, rain, lent Ma \$30 for C. Thompson, went fox hunting caught a grey fox.
- Mar 17, 1855            Saturday, hands grinding &c., went to Waterfall.
- Mar 18, 1855            Sunday, staid at home, paid Powell \$55.
- Mar 19, 1855            Monday, hands fencing &c., went to Gainesville, Powell traded horses with Belt.
- Mar 20, 1855            Tuesday, fencing & lumbering, paid John Monroe \$5 and Davis balance on taxes 26.25
- Mar 21, 1855            Wednesday, hands grubbing &c. went to Washington with wife.
- Mar 22, 1855            Thursday, attended convention gave wife \$40, paid Mr. Cox \$1014 to take up Corcorans note against Major W. Noland, bought 2 plough & ready ploughs for Charley with extra points do 1 for Mr. Carter with do to be charged to Charley, 1 share & cutter, do 1 cutting box for G. E. Green \$15.
- Mar 23, 1855            Friday, deposited 97 in Exchange Bank for Mr. J. Towles, received 187 from Powell & Irwin, do 162 from Kincheloe & Company, balance on flour bought 5 tons Mexican guano from Frule & Co. for Charley, do 2 tons do for self at \$28, do 1 ton Peruvian for self at 46, do 1/2 do for G. E. Green, hauled 100 barrels to Jno Moores Mill, received 326. 88/100 of R. E. Hunton for George E. Hutchinson.
- Mar 24, 1855            Saturday, came home found all well hands had been ploughing & grubbing &c.

Mar 25, 1855            Sunday, went to Aldie.

Mar 26, 1855            Monday, paid J. P. H. Green \$100, do Charley \$70 & under on Billy for 30 more, sent to Gainesville for guano, hands cutting & burning brush.

Mar 27, 1855            Tuesday, sent my team to Gainesville for guano for Charley, paid John Iden \$45.

Mar 28, 1855            Wednesday, ploughing & burning brush, dined with the club at W. L. Carters, all present but Buckner & C. G. Tyler, next meeting at The Shelter.

Mar 29, 1855            Thursday, hands ploughing and clearing up, went to Aldie.

Mar 30, 1855            Friday, hands ploughing, blind ditching, clearing up &c., went to Gainesville paid Mr. Pickett \$16, due him one dollar.

Mar 31, 1855            Saturday, hands ploughing &c., paid Robert Downs \$6 for Charley, paid T. Sanders \$5 and lent Hibbs \$5.

Apr 01, 1855            Sunday, went to Aldie.

Apr 02, 1855            Monday, ploughing & blind ditching.

Apr 03, 1855            Tuesday, ploughing & blind ditching &c.

Apr 04, 1855            Wednesday, ploughing & seeding oats & blind ditching, planted peas.

Apr 05, 1855            Thursday, seeding oats & ploughing &c., received 48 of W. J. Carter which he had borrowed leaving 27 yet due, paid Thos. Smith \$75 on account of wagon &c.

Apr 06, 1855            Friday, ploughing, clearing up and blind ditching, rain.

Apr 07, 1855            Saturday, ploughing &c., paid John Iden 15 dollars leaving \$25 due him for mare.

Apr 08, 1855            Sunday, heard Mr. Hargreaver preach in Aldie.

Apr 09, 1855            Monday, hands ploughing & clearing up, rented a field from Mr. J. Finche for \$32 .1/2 and gave my note to Wm. Lynn for \$43 for oats Finche got of him & 15 bushel I got at 70 cents.

Apr 10, 1855            Tuesday, children Eva & Fanny sick at Aldie, hands ploughing &c.



- Apr 11, 1855            Wednesday, children very sick, hands ploughing &c.
- Apr 12, 1855            Thursday, paid Bill Gant \$1, hands ploughing &c.
- Apr 13, 1855            Friday, children very sick, hands ploughing &c.
- Apr 14, 1855            Saturday, children very sick still.
- Apr 15, 1855            Sunday, Eva somewhat better Fanny still very sick.
- Apr 16, 1855            Monday, children better, hands ploughing & clearing up, had a quantity of corn taken out of a crack in my corn house, bet John Hutchinson the best suit of clothes in his store that Wise would be defeated by 5000 votes, bet J. P. H. Green 5 dollars hat that (Botiler's?) majority over Faulkner will be larger in Loudoun than in their former contest, bet \$5 with J. Lynn through N. Green that (Botelier?) would beat Faulkner.
- Apr 17, 1855            Tuesday, children much better, paid John Thompson \$2 in full for a (clothes horse?)
- Apr 18, 1855            Wednesday, Old Aunt Juno died, children much better, borrowed \$20 from Billy, came home, sowed clover seed over my stubble, hands ploughing &c.
- Apr 19, 1855            Thursday, hands ploughing and clearing up ground, went to Alexandria & thence to Georgetown.
- Apr 20, 1855            Friday, In Washington, received 215.33/55 acres in land scrip as executor of Mrs. Reid's will, sold it at 110 cents per acre & left 59.31 cents with Mr. Cox for Green, came to Alexandria, Fanny had a calf filly.
- Apr 21, 1855            Saturday, came to Aldie paid Ma \$1.50, hands at home ploughing & cleaning up, Judy had a colt.
- Apr 22, 1855            Sunday, at Aldie
- Apr 23, 1855            Monday, came to Evergreen, hands harrowing, ploughing & clearing up new ground, traded black horse to Billy for some (stant--?)
- Apr 24, 1855            Tuesday, harrowing & ploughing, planted corn in garden, lima beans, snap beans, sowed celery, asparagus &c., settled with Billy on act. estate, due me from the estate \$476., from me to Billy by Carters note 241, money paid for Charley 173, money borrowed of Billy 85

= 498 leaving me \$22 in debt to Billy, traded horses with Mitchell for Billy & gave a cord of bark on the tree to boot, paid Saunders \$2/50

- Apr 25, 1855 Wednesday, laying off for corn & clearing up in Pettrys lot, pet had mare colt, club dinner at G. Tyler Jr., next dinner at Dr. Graysons the last day of may, bought 2 steers from Major Tyler at \$70
- Apr 26, 1855 Thursday, commenced planting corn, paid old Charles \$1, paid Mrs. Jas Smith for Linsey in full \$6.50
- Apr 27, 1855 Friday, fighting fire in the mountain which was set on fire by some scoundrel, lost 450 worth of tan bark.
- Apr 28, 1855 Saturday, planting corn, had to have Nelson whiped for impudence
- Apr 29, 1855 Sunday, in Aldie heard Mr. Hargreaves preach.
- Apr 30, 1855 Monday, bought 1/2 grey mare from Charley for \$35 7 carried her down the country, started down the country, borrowed \$10 from Billy, reached Irvines, bill 362 1/2, hands planting corn & laying off ground.
- May 01, 1855 Tuesday, reached Goose Ponds & found all well, corn all planted & commenced working it.
- May 02, 1855 Wednesday, went to Ayletts & bargained with Brookin Samuels to build or have built a vessel in Partnership, he to own one half, Billy one fourth & Charley & gave eighth each also a granary on the same terms.
- May 03, 1855 Thursday, at Goose Ponds went with Charley to Mr. Rylands bought Charleys half of the wheat crop at \$2 per bushel.
- May 04, 1855 Friday, started home & reached Irvines, bill 2.50
- May 05, 1855 Saturday, reached home & found all well, hands planting corn, Fouche paid \$1
- May 06, 1855 Sunday, at Aldie.
- May 07, 1855 Monday, came home, hands laying off corn ground &c.
- May 08, 1855 Tuesday, laying off corn ground & harrowing, sent to Gainesville for seed corn, got a barrel of lime from Wickliffe.

May 09, 1855 Wednesday, laying off corn ground & getting bark, sent to Gainesville for seed corn, let Mayhew have 1 bushel received pay, received \$88 from C. Foley for corn, paid George Belt 6.25, owe him 12 1/2 cents.

May 10, 1855 Thursday, went to Aldie, planting corn, engaged Mr. E. Foley hands to get bark at \$1.25 per cord, sent to Gainesville for fish & found Norbys wagon had taken them to Aldie.

May 11, 1855 Friday, planting corn, put note in Leesburg Bank for \$2500 at 30 days.

May 12, 1855 Saturday, planting corn, paid Beverly Foley five dollars on bark, let Jas. Dodd have 2 bushel corn \$2.50

May 13, 1855 Sunday, went to Haymarket & heard Mr. Towles preach, paid him contingent fee for Molly for 54 x 55 =

May 14, 1855 Monday, planting corn, went to Aldie, paid Mr. Minehan \$2, borrowed \$30 of the 2500.

May 15, 1855 Tuesday, planting corn, finished field, paid T. Saunders \$10

May 16, 1855 Wednesday, ploughing up & manuring acre for the crop, paid Jas. Dodd in full to this date 11.62 including 8.69 for Norby.

May 17, 1855 Thursday, planting my acre of corn for the crop sowed 400 lbs of guano - 300 Mexican to 180 of Peruvian - planted with prolific --- drilled 3 feet by 12 inches, paid John Monroe \$2.

May 18, 1855 Friday, finished planking --- on my acre. paid Bev. Foley \$6 in bank.

May 19, 1855 Saturday, rain, much wanted, set out plants, hands fencing, went to Gainesville.

May 20, 1855 Sunday, went to Aldie.

May 21, 1855 Monday, went down to Georgetown with wife, hands fencing, Charley got \$500 of the money borrowed.

May 22, 1855 Tuesday, came to Alexandria, had wife's teeth fixed bill 12.50 paid, paid Ashby & Herbert account 39.25, paid H. Simpson 8.20 in full.

May 23, 1855 Wednesday, came home, hands ploughing, &c.

May 24, 1855 Thursday, hands planting corn, went to Haymarket & voted for Thomas Flournoy for governor, Beale for Lieut. governor, Patton for attorney general, Bainbridge for the state senate, & Dr. Jesse Ewell

for the house of delegates, lent Mr. Cris Swart \$10 to pay his taxes, paid Hibbs \$2 1/2 for Charley for the stone mason, lent Robert Lewis fifty dollars to pay C. E. Tyler, bet C. E. Tyler \$50 that Flournoy would be elected, put the money in Lewis's the sheriffs hands, bet B. E. Harrison \$50 that Flournoy would be elected and put money in Gustavous Hutchinsons hands, do G. E. Smith \$5, bet Luther Lynn \$5 that Boteler would be elected, money in George Tylers hand, received a letter from W. Ashby stating that Mr. Washington had agreed to put up \$32 1/2 with me for the purchase of a \$65 tea set, I to take it if Flourney is elected & vice versa, paid G. E. Green \$100.

May 25, 1855 Friday, hands fencing, paid Mr. E. Foleys hands 7.50 on bark, B. Foley 1.50, making 12.50 & his sons, \$1 for 2 foxes, received fish from Gainesville.

May 26, 1855 Saturday, hands replanting corn, Billy & Charley came down, Mr. & Mrs. Ewell spent the day.

May 27, 1855 Sunday, went to Haymarket

May 28, 1855 Monday, hands shearing sheep & replanting corn, settled with George E. Green took up my fathers note & mine & gave him one for \$540

May 29, 1855 Tuesday, hands shearing sheep & replanting corn, paid Jno Catts \$5 to pay 1/2 of a bet with Robert Leachman.

May 30, 1855 Wednesday, hands finished shearing 315 merino sheep, 1050 lbs. wool, replanting corn, paid Minehan \$2, went to Gainesville for Mr. Jefferson Tacey to paper 2 rooms for me.

May 31, 1855 Thursday, hands ploughing & replanting corn, club dined at Dr. Graysons, next dinner at J. J. Carter the 20th, bought 3 oxen from Dr. Grayson for \$25 each.

Jun 01, 1855 Friday, ploughing corn, rain, went to Mrs. Lewis's funeral.

Jun 02, 1855 Saturday, rainy, went to Gainesville to carry Mr. Tacy, paid Mr. Tacy \$30, brought home steers from Dr. Graysons, sent for plaister from Gainesville.

Jun 03, 1855 Sunday, went to Aldie, paid J. P. H. Green \$5 for J. Lynn.

Jun 04, 1855 Monday, hands sowing plaister & transplanting corn, paid Richard Downs account 3.37 1/2 for mending shoes.

Jun 05, 1855 Tuesday, sowing plaister & planting potatoes, put sorrel filly with G. Carters horse.

Jun 06, 1855 Wednesday, hands ploughing corn &c., went fishing.

Jun 07, 1855 Thursday, at home, hands ploughing &c. , Norby, Charley, Bettie & Nannie Cook & cousin Lucy here, paid Norby \$1500 & gave a check for \$900 to take up note in Leesburg for 2500, or if he chose to curtail it, he to pay the next note.

Jun 08, 1855 Friday, hands thinning corn, went with wife to Dr. Stuart and Mr. Grays, bought cow of J. Ewell for \$30 for Ma.

Jun 09, 1855 Saturday, thinning corn, paid Mr. Towles his subscription \$30, received 61 cents from Jas Norris & returned him the check on G. W. Norris, told by Mr. Towles that his check for the 97 dollars deposited by me in the Exchange Bank was not honored & wrote to Mr. Hooff about it.

Jun 10, 1855 Sunday, went to Ewells Chapel & heard Mr. Potts.

Jun 11, 1855 Monday, ploughing corn & thinning

Jun 12, 1855 Tuesday, ploughing & thinning corn, paid Sofer \$3 for 2 ploughs

Jun 13, 1855 Wednesday, ploughing & thinning corn & hoeing the acre, employed Mr. Minehan at \$18 per month until after harvest, went to Aldie.

Jun 14, 1855 Thursday, ploughing & hoeing & thinning corn.

Jun 15, 1855 Friday, ploughing & thinning corn, paid T. Saunders \$10, paid Mrs. Carter \$1 on a dozen chickens, cousin Burr cattle 45 head came.

Jun 16, 1855 Saturday, thinning corn with all hands

Jun 17, 1855 Sunday, went to Aldie, paid Billy \$100

Jun 18, 1855 Monday, rain, hands thinning corn, Mr. Carter, Mr. Powell, & --- making rakes, paid Jno Ewell for corn \$30.

Jun 19, 1855 Tuesday, rain, thinning corn

Jun 20, 1855 Wednesday, rain, cleared off in the morning, bad time on Wheat, club dinner at J. T. Carter's, next dinner at Major Tylers 26 of July.

Jun 21, 1855 Thursday, hands finished thinning corn, went over to North End to help Charley, went to Gainesville for Judge Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Miller & Family, bought 123 lbs. bacon from Wickliffe for Purcell, went on a survey of Waterloo, bought harvest shoes, 1 pair 1.50, 7 pair 1.25, 2 at 112 1/2, overs 1.75

Jun 22, 1855 Friday, rain, hands chopping in the cornfield, went to Aldie, received \$5 from A. Buckner.

Jun 23, 1855 Saturday, hands chopping in cornfield, went to Aldie with Judge Williams & Mrs. Miller & wife, paid cousin Lucy \$5.

Jun 24, 1855 Sunday, at home

Jun 25, 1855 Monday, hands chopping in cornfield, received \$9 from C. Foley.

Jun 26, 1855 Tuesday, went to Aldie, hands chopping in corn &c.. traded stallion to T. Saunders for a young mare & mare & colt & am to get \$30 to boot.

Jun 27, 1855 Wednesday, went to Aldie for wife & Judge Williams, bought wheat machine from Jno (Westcock?) for 390 & one half to be paid when I first commence threshing & 1/2 in four months, also bought 15 head of cattle from \_\_\_ Gulick at \$16.

Jun 28, 1855 Thursday, brought cattle home & turned them in Waterloo, commenced harvest with 6 cradles in the evening.

Jun 29, 1855 Friday, running 6 cradles, very hot 6 hands gave out.

Jun 30, 1855 Saturday, running 6 cradles, very hot several hands gave out, severe storm in the evening.

Jul 01, 1855 Sunday, went to Aldie

Jul 02, 1855 Monday, running 5 cradles, Charles hands having left.

Jul 03, 1855 Tuesday, running 5 cradles engaged B. Foley to shock at \$1 per day.

Jul 04, 1855 Wednesday, rain, sent for to see Ma who had a hemorage.

Jul 05, 1855 Thursday, at Aldie, Ma better & I came home in the evening.

Jul 06, 1855 Friday, sent for in a hurry to come to see Ma who was thought to be very low, rain.

Jul 07, 1855            Saturday, In Aldie Ma was better, borrowed \$375 from J. P. H. Green & \$20 from Charley & paid West Cott & Porter for the machine, Mr. Cox and his sister arrived.

Jul 08, 1855            Sunday, Dr. thought Ma better, wife and family came home.

Jul 09, 1855            Monday, paid W. Mayhugh \$6 in full and B. Foley \$5, Foley overpaid 50 cents.

Jul 10, 1855            Tuesday, commenced ploughing corn, received \$40 from C. Foley & paid it to Billy.

Jul 11, 1855            Wednesday, ploughing corn &c.

Jul 12, 1855            Thursday, ploughing corn, got Billys, Norbys, Charleys, & Mr. Cox's share of Peter.

Jul 13, 1855            Friday, ploughing corn, paid Mr. Cloe \$3 for cradles through J. Smith, received 75 from C. Foley.

Jul 14, 1855            Saturday, ploughing corn.

Jul 15, 1855            Sunday, went to Aldie

Jul 16, 1855            Monday, ploughing & chopping corn

Jul 17, 1855            Tuesday, ploughing & chopping corn, cutting oats, received 9.66 cents from J. E. Catts, balance on corn, went to sale at L. Sullivans, bought chain for Charley & self at 3.05

Jul 18, 1855            Wednesday, ploughing & chopping in corn

Jul 19, 1855            Thursday, ploughing & chopping in corn, carried Mr. & Mrs Miller to Stage Stables, got 106 1/2 lbs. bacon for Hibbs at 12 cents, also 1 1/2 sacks salt.

Jul 20, 1855            Friday, rain, ploughing and cutting oats, went to Aldie.

Jul 21, 1855            Saturday, rain, ploughing & cutting oats

Jul 22, 1855            Sunday, went to Aldie

Jul 23, 1855            Monday, ploughing up weeds in potatoes &c.

Jul 24, 1855 Tuesday, ploughing corn and potatoes, cutting oats & hauling, survey at Waterloo, received \$16. 23 cents from Dr. Ewell balance on corn, fixed corner between Waterloo & Dr. Ewell.

Jul 25, 1855 Wednesday, hauling oats &c., paid Mr. Minehan \$2

Jul 26, 1855 Thursday, hauling oats & cutting do, bought Buckners wood at 28 cents.

Jul 27, 1855 Friday, hauling & cutting oats &c.

Jul 28, 1855 Saturday, hauling oats & cutting do -

Jul 29, 1855 Sunday, went to Aldie, lent Charley \$10, sent E. C. Brown note for \$600 at 4 months Bank of Old Dominion.

Jul 30, 1855 Monday, commenced cutting grass, stacking oats.

Jul 31, 1855 Tuesday, cutting grass & stacking, borrowed \$550 from Chopin Bayly, paid J. P. H. Green 375 borrowed to pay for machine, renewed Charleys note for 400 & paid \$100 on it (500), paid Billy \$25, Green owes 15, dined with club at Major Tylers.

Aug 01, 1855 Wednesday, went to Aldie, paid Billy \$45

Aug 02, 1855 Thursday, got \$15 of the 105 from Norby, tremendous rain.

Aug 03, 1855 Friday, hauling wheat, cutting grass.

Aug 04, 1855 Saturday, went to Aldie, hard mowing grass.

Aug 05, 1855 Sunday, went to Haymarket & heard Bishop Johny preach.

Aug 06, 1855 Monday, received visit from Mr. & Mrs. Foote, paid Mr. Powell \$2, hands cutting grass & hauling in wheat, got gross 688 lbs wool of A. Buckner at 25 cents.

Aug 07, 1855 Tuesday, hands working at hay, engaged Mr. Minehan at \$14 per month, packing wool, went with Judge Williams & wife to drive with Mr. Foote.

Aug 08, 1855 Wednesday, hauling wheat, cutting grass, went to Aldie & received \$5 of Ma to buy chickens.

Aug 09, 1855 Thursday, picking over & packing wool.



- Aug 10, 1855 Friday, I sent 2100 lbs. wool to Gainesville to be sent to Feming & Douglas al- ar due by them forwarded to Greenslaw & Company Richmond.
- Aug 11, 1855 Saturday, working on hay and stacking wheat, went to Aldie paid John Iden \$10, leaving 15, Mrs. Smith died.
- Aug 12, 1855 Sunday, attended Mrs. Smiths funeral in Middleburg, came home at night.
- Aug 13, 1855 Monday, stacking wheat & hay, paid White 187 1/2 for 15 chickens for Ma.
- Aug 14, 1855 Tuesday, carried Judge Williams to Bristow Station, stacking wheat &c., traded bull with Norris for steer yearling bull & 2 heifers.
- Aug 15, 1855 Wednesday, went to Aldie, stacking wheat.
- Aug 16, 1855 Thursday, stacking wheat &c., club dinner at Dr. Grays, Dr. Stuart next on the 26th.
- Aug 17, 1855 Friday, wife went to Aldie, stacking wheat, made contact with J. Mayhew to put up a horse which he is to have rent free for 4 years.
- Aug 18, 1855 Saturday, stacking wheat, went to Aldie.
- Aug 19, 1855 Sunday, went to Haymarket & heard Mr. Towles.
- Aug 20, 1855 Monday, stacking wheat &c. went with wife to call on Mrs. Norris, Mrs. D. Gray, & Mrs. Tyler.
- Aug 21, 1855 Tuesday, finished stacking, Mrs. Tucker & family came down paid Capt. Moore \$9.25 cents for a barrel of flour for Mrs. Galleher, who owes 2.25
- Aug 22, 1855 Wednesday, hauling cooper stuff, rails &c.
- Aug 23, 1855 Thursday, commenced stubbing land for wheat.
- Aug 24, 1855 Friday, ploughing with 4 rough & ready plough, sold Norris sorrel horse for \$60
- Aug 25, 1855 Saturday, ploughing &c., paid Mr. Monroe \$2 settled in full with C. Swart & he owed me 4.58 cents, Charley received first payment of \$2000 from C. Bayley & joined in the deed.

Aug 26, 1855 Sunday, at home.

Aug 27, 1855 Monday, went to Aldie with wife, ploughing, making cider.

Aug 28, 1855 Tuesday, ploughing and fencing, making cider, sent Lugan \$10 by Hibbs.

Aug 29, 1855 Wednesday, ploughing, making cider, hauling for Charley

Aug 30, 1855 Thursday, ploughing & hauling for Charley.

Aug 31, 1855 Friday, ploughing & stacking rag weed & hauling for Charley, paid Mayhew \$2 on shingles, paid Mr. Minehan \$2.