

1907

January

- 1 Cloudy day not very cold. Got letter from Julia. Sent one to Lucy J.
- 2 Rained last night and all day—sometimes very hard. Got letter from Sally saying Patty was sick—also letter from Natl. Bk. of Washington with draft for \$75. and proxy to sign from Natl. Met. Bk. Wash. So dark to-day I could hardly see to read. Men working at tobacco—ground a sluice.
- 3 Went to Bellevue—got Mike Corbin to witness my signature of proxy (see yesterday) and put it in P.O. Got letter from Sally that was mislaid. Put letter in P.O. for Sally. Gave Al Rogers a check for 32.89 on the Burlington Deposit Bk to pay for the coal see Oct. 20th. Went to W. W. Grant and paid his bill to date 17.10. Went to see Mrs. Neal who is sick. Rained of course, all day about dark poured a torrent and is raining steadily at bedtime.
- 4 Not raining—colder and sun came out. Went to Burlington to Bk. gave Mr. Reville check and indorsed it (see Dec. 6th) left 80. in bank and took the rest. Paid Mr. Riddle my subscription for the Recorder for this year 1.50. Went to see Mr. Edson Riddle and paid him 12. for this year for the telephone and 55 cents for 2 messages. He to get the Co. to correct error in bill—got receipts. Put in P.O. letter to Sally. Got mittens from Patty and Christmas booklet from Sally. Harry turned the blk cattle and 2 steers 2 heifers 16 in all into the big pasture across the creek.
- 5 Beautiful day, mild and bright. Rode up cherry hill to look at the wheat—walked across to Doll Walton's to tell him to come and let me settle up for the black cows. His brother George from Mo. was there.
- 6 Sunday—rained some last night and misting rain this morning. Ernest and Lily came and dined with me.
- 7 Not raining but warm and looked like rain. Went to Aurora via McVile. At Mr. Davis' Bank got my draft for 75.00 (see 2nd) cashed and went on to Cin. and to Julia Foster's. That night it was warm as spring.
- 8 Raining and a horrid day. Julia took me in to town and I went to see Amy and then to Dr. J. R. Callahan 25 Garfield Place who looked at my teeth and told me to come back about the first week in Feb. Turned cool.
- 9 Cold by comparison—and did n't rain. Went in town and then back. Julia took me in to the boat City of Cin. We left 5.30 and I was at home before 9. Susan had sold chickens and butter 3.57.
- 10 22° Harry said—sun came out bright, towards evening and at night felt like rain. Sent letters to Sally and Julia—got two letters from Patty two from Sally and from Hilda Sue and Mary Cochran. The men hauled hay from down on Woolper. Got letter from Fanny too.
- 11 Joe brought me the weights of the hay—he says Dick hauled me one part of a load Monday and had to quit on account of the bridge—they hauled yesterday and ½ day to-day and got it all. Sent letters to Sue and Hilda—got one from Julia. (Doll) J. J. Walton came to-day and we settled for the Black Angus cows I bought of him that we bought in partnership. I paid for my half last year see Jan. 17—Jan. 29th. His half amounted to 151.63 and I had paid on this Oct. 5th 1906, \$43.38 and Dec. 18th 1906 74.58 leaving a balance of 33.67. I gave him a check on the Boone Co. Dep. Bk. for this amount and also paid him cash .50 for dehorning two steers see Dec. 17th. I am now only owing him conditionally \$40. see Oct. 4th. Raining at 9.30.
- 12 Rained very hard—so much thunder that I had to get up between 2 and 3 and turn off the telephone. Dark cloudy mild day, 54° at sunup.
- 13 Sunday. Did n't write in this till the 15th. Rained of course nearly all day.
- 14 Rained most of the time. Flora Arnold came over—after dinner, rained hard at night. Sent letter to Sally.

- 15 Raining again, but cooler. Got letter from Julia—rained nearly all day.
- 16 Rained last night and all day. Ground is saturated. Got letter from Patty. Sold to Mr. Clutterbuck chickens & eggs 6.15. Got receipt from Telephone Co. for 12.00 for the year from Dec. 9th last.
- 17 Pouring again—seems to have rained all night. Stopped for a while. River very high and rising. Got letters from Sally, Belle R. and Lizzie Hodges. Sent letter to Patty.
- 18 Raining again of course. Mail had to be brought from Aurora on Swan. Went to Bellevue to see the river—so misty I could n't see much the other side. Put in P.O. letters to Sally and to Willie Graves to tell him Mag is sick.
- 19 Went up on cherry hill to see the river. It looks as wide beyond the Ind. bank as the real river. To-day's Enquirer says the water was 61 ft. 5 in. at 1 A.M. the highest since 1884. Harry went to Aurora—says the water was up to Spaeth's store. It blew very hard all day and was warm—after dark blew furiously and began to rain again.
- 20 Sunday. Cold wind all day but sunny. Water still rising.
- 21 18° at sunup—cold all day, not so windy but very disagreeable. Went to Bellevue to see the river. Still rising—all sorts of things going down as drift—buildings and part of houses, lumber, logs &c. Put in P.O. letters to Isabella and to Julia—got one from Lucy Johnstone. Sent Harry to carry corn to the cattle across the creek.
- 22 Harry brought the cattle to the back pasture 18 head and Joe fed them hay grain and they had corn. Turned colder. Papers say the river has begun to fall. Got letter from Patty. Snowed some flakes. Read in Enquirer that the Resor Co. Foundry—Julia's brother's was burned Sunday last.
- 23 Cold and cloudy—sun came out occasionally. Sent letters to Patty and Julia. Got letter from Farmers' and Mechanics' Natl. Bk. Georgetown with draft on Gallatin Natl. Bk. N.Y. for 28. Sent Belle R. Enquirer.
- 24 Cloudy but milder. Went to see the river, it is falling slowly. Got letter from Sally and two from Julia saying Charlie Eaton is very ill.
- 25 Snowing hard, and all day long. Sent letters to Sally and Julia. Got letters from Patty and Margaret Marshall.
- 26 1° above 0 bright sunshine. Sent Harry with letter to Margaret.
- 27 Sunday. Cold and gloomy.
- 28 Not quite so cold and bright. Harry said the mail was brought from over the river as usual to-day. Heard boats whistle as usual.
- 29 24° at sunup—cloudy all day. After noon Joe hung my meat. He salted it down Dec. 21. Got letter from Julia.
- 30 Cloudy gloomy day. Joe and Harry got some hickory wood for smoking the meat. I got a photograph of herself from Sally and letters from Patty, Julia and Mrs. Brown, also one from Margaret Marshall.
- 31 Dark and misty and set in to rain. Harry began to smoke the meat. Sent letters to Patty and Sally. Got one from Sue.

February

- 1 Rain and cloudy and foggy. Dick said Mr. J. W. White telephoned that he wanted to settle for the hay see Nov. 23d. The hay was 9 tons 210 lbs and at 13 dollars a ton came to 118.36 and I gave Mr. White a note on the Burlington Dep. Bk payable to C. L. Voshall for that amount. Sent letters to Sally and Sue, got letter from Patty saying little Martha has two teeth.
- 2 Cloudy but occasionally the sun came out. Turned colder after noon. Went to the sale at Mrs. Corbin's house. Put in P.O. letter to Mrs. Brown got letters from Sally and Julia.
- 3 Sunday 16° above. Groundhog winter is begun.
- 4 Snow on the ground and later a hard snowstorm from the east. Andy Cook and Dick Marshall came for corn—A. Cook got 10 bush. and gave me a check for 5.00 on R. Sun Bk. Dick Marshall got 5 bus.

and paid me 2.50 cash. Had the heifer that is Blanche's put in the sheep cellar with the calves. Still snowing at night. Wind blows and it is a horrible night.

- 5 Little sister's wedding day. I sent her a letter. It was cold all day 23° the highest and bright most of the day. Sent letter to Julia—got letters from Patty and Julia and circular letter and proxy to sign, from National Bank of Washington about voting to merge it with the Central National Bk. of Wash. Telephoned Dr. J. R. Callahan Dentist to-day and he replied he would write. Patty says little Martha has 3 teeth. It seemed to be snowing a little to-night. Sent by Mr. Clutterbuck to Miss Emma Adams 1.00 as subscription. Patty said Frank's new firm began Feb. 1st.
- 6 3° below 0 at sunup. Cold all day and bright. Went to Bellevue—got M. J. Corbin to witness the proxy and Circular from Natl. Bk. Wash. (see yesterday) and put the envelopes in P.O. also letter to Hilda. Got note from Dr. Callahan and letter from Julia Loving. Settled with Mr. Kelly for what sausage meat he sold also this week with Mr. Clutterbuck.
- 7 18° at sunup. Harry turned Pink in with the stock animal. Joe went over the river and engaged 5 tons of hay of George Foster's first house on the left side as you go out from the ferry—price to be what the rest is sold for. Mr. ___ [Ora?] Walton came to see about getting corn. Sent to P.O. letters to Sarah, Julia, Julia Loving and to Mrs. Marshall and to Mrs. J. W. White a note. Got letter from Mag Marshall. Moderated. Mr. Clore and Doll Walton came to look at tobacco—they bought what Dick calls the chilbans [chilblains?] for 8 cts. Doll came later. It was cold but moderating.
- 9 24° at sunup. Dick hauled the tobacco to Bellevue—that he sold yesterday. It weighed 1470 lbs and at 8 cts came to 117.60. Dick brought me a check for the amount signed Henry Clore and Dick said he wanted the money so I went to Burlington and got Mr. Revill to cash the check. I left my half 58.80 in Bank and brought the same amount to Dick and gave it to him this evening in the house. It was milder and thawing but chilly coming home. Called to see Miss Furling to ask about Hilda. Got letters from Patty and Sally.
- 10 Sunday. Turned warmer—snow melted fast. Ernest and Lily came to call. Bright pretty day. Did n't write in this for a week.
- 11 Cold and keen wind. Went to Cincinnati via the Swan and Aurora. Of course missed the train and did n't get to Cin. till 6.30 P.M. Went to the Grand Hotel.
- 12 Went by appointment to Dr. J. R. Callahan Dentist 25 Garfield Place. Later met Amy and she and Harriet came for me and we went out to Amy's (Miss Shaw's) and stayed all night. It was still rather cold
- 13 Went in with them in the morning to Mr. Eckstein's and stayed with Harriet. Went to see Mrs. Wooley. Harriet took me to the theatre to see Gillette in Clarice. Like spring.
- 14 Went to Dr. Callahan's again—afterwards took lunch at Mrs. Eckstein's and Amy went to the train with me. It was colder again. Came home on the 2 P.M. train and Swan—and Harry met me. Got letters from Patty and book two from Julia and book letters from Hilda, Sue and from Mag Marshall. Mrs. West and Georgie both sick in bed.
- 15 Sent letters to Patty and Mag M.
- 16 Got letter from Patty and one from Sally with card to furnish Belle's address to the Postmaster at Independence. Joe West sold his tobacco to John 'Pepper' Smith for 9 ¼ for that at the big barn and 4 ¼ for the frozen tobacco at the new barn. I had consented to take the offer.
- 17 Sunday—mild and spring like. I rode round and saw the first blue bird on cherry hill.
- 18 32° at sunup, bright. Rode to P.O. and took letters to Sally, Julia, Belle R. and card to Postmaster Independence. Joe and Dick each hauled a load of Joe's tobacco. The figures Joe brought me were 1

Load	lbs	lbs
2 nd load	3410 lbs	1420 lbs
	<u>3410</u>	1420
	6820	2840

2840

3980

Letters came for Patty. Mild and looked like rain. Harry helped Joe.

- 19 Cloudy and chilly. Joe and Dick hauled the rest of Joe's tobacco that was at the barn the 9__.

1 Load 4000 lbs—1420

2 " 4040 1480

8040 2900

2900

5140

3980 lbs

9120

This at 9¼ come [sic] to \$843.60 and Al Rogers gave me a check of M. F. Wingate per John Smith for the amount on Farmers & Shippers Leaf Tobacco W. H. Co. Cin. Leeomer Loudon sold his tobacco to Mr. Henry Clore for 9 and 6. and he and Joe hauled it down. He had

3820 lbs at 9 and 1000 lbs at 6

<u>9</u>	<u>6</u>
\$343.80	60.00

343.80

2/403.80

\$201.90 He said he got the check for his half. Put letter for Patty from Concord in P.O.

- 20 25° at sunup—chilly day, blew and sometimes sprinkled. Went to Bellevue and Al Rogers gave me a check for 201.90 my half of Leeomer's tobacco. Took it and the one Al gave me yesterday for mine and Joe's tobacco to Mr. Revill and endorsed both. Mr. Revill gave me Joe West's part in money and I brought it home and gave it to Joe at his request. Harry saw me paying it to him. I got for myself 23.10 and paid off the two notes that Patty had endorsed (see Oct. 16 and Nov. 30) 1906 and brought them home. Mr. Revill only deducted 1.00 for advance payment and I paid \$234.60 for the two. Left the balance in Bank. Got postal from Hilda. Went to see Mrs. Fred. Paid Susan in full to 16th and Harry to 21st to-night. Mike Corbin is sick is the reason I did n't pay off my store bill to-day. Harry took Hector down and had front shoes put on.
- 21 Went up to Cin. via Swan and Aurora train. Went with Amy to Miss Shaw's to stay. Cold.
- 22 Went to Dr. J. R. Callahan's and spent the morning in the dentist chair. Put letter in box at station yesterday for Patty, sent Sally one to-day. Went out with Amy again.
- 23 Went in to Dr. Callahan's by 2 P.M. Got done in time to come down on boat. Pd Dr. C. 20. Telephoned for Harry to meet me and came down on Lizzie Bay. It was snowing when Amy went to see me on the boat—snowed hard. Got home before ten P.M.
- 24 Sunday. Raining a cold rain on the snow. One of my Blk. Angus cows has a b. calf. They put her up last night Harry said, as it was snowing. Joe's and Dick's cows both had calves while I was away.
- 25 Sent Harry down with letters to Amy, Sally and Mag. Marshall. Got letter from Patty and 2 from Julia and from Belle R. Patty had hurt her wrist. Went over the river took Harry and went to see Mr. George Vorse about the hay. Had to go on to Rising Sun to see him. Went with Mr. Vorse to Bank and gave Mr. Perkins the draft for 28 (see Jan. 23d) and a check on the Boone Co. Dep. Bk for 47. and this is to pay for the 5 tons hay (see Feb. 7th). If there is something over 5 tons Mr. Perkins is to pay the difference and I pay him. Left with Mr. Perkins 5.00. Went from McVile by skiff Shank's mare and omnibus—trip more varied than pleasant. Went to see poor Mag M. Got letter from Julia.
- 26 Sent Dick over to Mr. George Vorse's to see the hay weighed that he sold to me. Went on cherry hill to show Joe the tobacco ground. Harry went over the river. Dull chilly day.

- 27 Dick brought me the weights of the hay and they came to 5 tons 804 lbs. Went round to show him ground for tobacco. Mrs. West had a bad spell with her heart. Harry came back brought letter from Patty who had got home from Phil—also souvenir postals she sent.
- 28 Heard a turtle-dove for the first time this year. Susan sick in bed.

March

- 1 Heard a dove sing sweet and sad this morning and the first robin singing about sundown. Dick and I sold his tobacco to Mr. Henry Clore for 9 and 4 ½. Joe helped him load but it rained so they did n't haul any. Went to see Mrs. Rue—she and Mr. R. sick. Sent letters to Hilda and Julia. Got note from Mag saying she got the letter sent Monday and one from Sally saying she expected to come towards the middle of the month. Raining at night.

- 2 Dick Loudon hauled his tobacco he had

4890 lbs at 9 cts	
<u>9</u>	
440.10	
and 2220 lbs at 4 ½	
<u>4</u>	
8880	440.10
<u>1110</u>	<u>99.90</u>
99.90	\$540.00

Dick brought me a check on Cin. Tobacco Warehouse Co. for \$540.00 signed Clore & Walton. I sent for a load of coal and got 35 bus at Al Rogers. Mr. Clore borrowed 426 tobacco sticks. Received announcement cards of Ramsey Furness marriage to Miss Willameta Berenice Wyeth. Cloudy raw day, snowed before bedtime.

- 3 Sunday. 32° at sunup—skim of snow. Chilly wind. Went to see Flora.
- 4 26° at sunup and bright. Let Joe West have order on Corbin for barrel of flour and got one for myself. Jack and Dooley Coons came to saw up the catalpa tree—and they sawed the dead pine and the partly dead little walnut. They quit about 4.30 it snowed so hard. Got two notes from Sally. Sent letter to Sally and to Margaret M. an order on Mr. Perkins for 2.00 see Feb. 25th.
- 5 34° at sunup—2 inches of wet heavy snow. Every thing covered and weighed down with it wires like big snow ropes, most of it soon melted. Went to Bellevue and paid Al Rogers for coal (see 2nd) &c. Got letter from Mary C. and note from Miss Elizabeth Weindel Keim about the death of Mr. Henry Keim (see Sep. 7th). Got telephone from Amy C. that she had shipped me for Sally a box of oranges, sent Harry for them at night but they did n't come.
- 6 My birthday 74. Went to Burlington—to Bank. Gave young Mr. Cecil Gaines the check for \$540. (see 2nd) Half of it was Richard Loudon's 270. from which I deducted the \$47 advanced him (see Oct. 6th and 12th) and brought Dick the rest \$223.00 at his request. Went to see Susan Arnold Clutterbuck—whose husband had died about 2 A.M. also called to see Mrs. Tanner to ask about Hilda. Got home 12.30 and sent Harry to B. Got letters from Patty Sally and Isabella all sweet birthday letters and two French books. Went to Flora's. 25° at sunup and a chilly wind.
- 7 Settlement with Richard Loudon. Dick brought his book up and I settled by it as I had not gone over mine. He had down 42½ days at .75 31.88 and 5 days of J. Cook housing tobacco 6.25 and 4.00 for his pump I bought = 42.13—on our last settlement March 1st 1906 he owed me a bal. of 2.03 and 1.50 for side meat 42.13 – 3.53 = 38.60 due him. If on going over my book I find any other charge I am to tell him Aug. 24th 2.50 L. F. June 15th 4.50 balance due 31.60 paid March 23. A skim of snow and a cloudy chilly day. Got letter from Hilda. Did n't write in this till 11th.
- 8 Went to Burlington to the funeral of Susan Arnold's husband Mr. James R. Clutterbuck—a chilly disagreeable day. Sent letter to Sally.

- 9 Got letter from Julia, Fanny Gibbon and from Margaret's daughter Addie saying Margaret died Thursday night. Sent word by Dick about hay. Dull chilly day—turned to a cold rain by night. Let man have new lantern said he was Mr. Holton.
- 10 Sunday. Horrid day chilling sunless and gloomy.
- 11 27° at sunup and bright for a wonder but chilly—turned warmer towards dark and rained at night with heavy thunder. Joe and Dick hauled 3 loads of hay that was put at the river by Mr. Varse about two tons they thought. Dick was working up trees in the new ground before dinner. Joe hauled some wood out of the yard after he hauled hay.
- 12 Raining to-day—stopped after noon and they hauled down Joe's bad tobacco. He had 1520 lbs of it and at 4 ½ it came to \$64.60. He got his half and brought me a check signed M. V. Wingate per John Smith on the Farmers' and Shippers' Leaf Tobacco W. H. Cin. for my half 32.30. Rained hard again—after dark with heavy thunder, think it rained all night.
- 13 Evidence of very hard rain. Went to Bellevue river high. Got letter from Mr. J. N. Perkins about the check for the hay to Mr. George Vorse. Katy came over. I went home with her to see Flora's incubator. It rained in torrents this evening and to-night—with crashing thunder and much lightning. The country and roads are badly washed.
- 14 Dull cloudy but did n't rain. Got letter from Patty saying Sally expected to start for home to-morrow.
- 15 31° at sunup, bright and moderated. Sent letters to Julia, Mary C. and Sue. Had some cleaning done in the house. Went to Bellevue—got letter from Sally. Went to meet the Swan and see the river—it is very high again—the railroads are cut off and the boats stopped by the high water. Went to see about my lantern. Went to Al Rogers and got him to cash the check for 32.30 see 12th and paid him 3.85 for my half of tobacco canvas that Dick Loudon got April 14th 1906. and got the balance. Telephoned Amy Campbell about Sally's coming and heard from her at 10.30 P.M.
- 16 Bright and milder—more like spring. Found the first turkey peas. I had a telephone from Amy about 1 and then near 6 P.M. one from Sally and Amy—saying Sally was in Cin. and expected to come to-morrow, via Erlanger—thank Heaven. River still rising—sent Harry twice for mail—got letter from Julia and note from Mag's daughter Addie.
- 17 Sunday. Got telephone from Sally and went to Burlington for her and brought her home. A lovely spring like day.
- 18 Did n't write in this till 22nd. Warm bright, day. Sally and I walked in the woods getting flowers. Dick was making a plant bed.
- 19 Very warm went up to 82°. I rode up to see Mr. Harry Acra and engaged to buy a black sow with 8 pigs at 25. The litter was the sow's second and the pigs 2 weeks old. We sacked the hams and shoulders 6 hams 5 shoulders. We went to Bellevue to see the river which was at flood stage and looked terrible. Turned cooler.
- 20 Mr. Maurer came out to trim vines. Sally and I went to Ernest's to dine by invitation. A beautiful day—got letter from Patty. Felt very poorly for several days. Sally says I have grip—it is either that or cold.
- 21 Mr. Maurer worked for ½ day in vineyard. Sent Harry for the sow and pigs—he brought them in the wagon. Jesse came and said he had sawed 5 ½ days and I paid him in full 4.13. River began to fall this morning.
- 22 Regular summer day—82° at 1 P.M. Sally and I went to Bellevue—we could see the edge of the bank on the opposite side. Isabella's birthday. Got Mike Corbin to receipt my store bill to date and gave him a check for \$144.97 on the Boone Co. Dep. Bk. Got letter from Julia. Paid Mr. Kelly 3.55 for canvas Joe got ½ of which he pays for. 84°
- 23 Like summer again. Bob Huey came and prepared the application for insurance in the Boone Co. Mutual and I signed a note for 80. in the application and paid him 5.50. The house is to be insured

for 2000 for 5 years Dick Loudon came and got the balance due on his settlement 31.60 see March 7th. Got letter from Mary C. and postal from Hilda.

- 24 Sunday. Lovely bright day—cooler. Balance old Blanche's heifer had a heifer calf, black.
- 25 Bright pretty day. Sent letters to Hilda and to Mary C. Will [not sure if Wall or Will]
- 26 Harry ploughed part of the garden—and put in a few radish seed. I sowed some seeds in boxes.
- 27 Sprinkled and cleared. Harry manured the rhubarb. We went to Flora's.
- 28 Mr. Harry E. Acra came and got 10 bus. corn that I let him have for 5.00 and I gave him a check on Boone Co. Dep. Bk for 20.00 to pay for the sow and 8 pigs I bought of him *see 19th). Harry planted 6 quarts of onion sets. Got letter from Mary C. saying they had to go back to Cal. and could n't come. Got letter from Belle R. with a few Shenandoah Tomato seeds and planted them in a box. This week has been like summer—peach plum and pear trees in bloom and flowers out in quantities. Belle said it was summer at Independence.
- 29 Sent letters to Mary C. and Julia. Harry planted some corn beans peas. It turned cooler about noon. Got postal from Hilda.
- 30 Sally and I went to Burlington to Bank. I got from Mr. Revill a draft on N.Y. for \$100. and cash \$80. We went to see Susan Clutterbuck. Got letter from Julia at home. Right cool to-day.
- 31 Sunday. Lily and Ernest dined with us. Turned right cold 36° at bedtime.

April

- 1 30° at sunup—ice. Sally and I went to Cincinnati via Aurora and started for N.Y.
- 24 Wednesday. I left N.Y. Frank, Patty Sally and Isabella went across to Jersey City with me and I started for home on the Pennsylvania via Phil. Altoona and Columbus, with Louisiana Grigsby (Mrs. Bartlett Arkell). It was bright and pleasant and and [sic]
- 25 We got to Cin. Louisiana went on to Louisville. The Julia's met me and I went with them home to lunch—there was a thunder storm hard rain. I came via Aurora and the Swan and got safe home without being out in the rain. Chilly and disagreeable.
- 26 Rained hard at night with hail and cold as charity—had winter fire. Ernest and Lily called. I brought out my mail last evening that had accumulated. Letter from Mary C. Insurance Policy in the Boone Co. Company (see March 23d). Letter from Natl. Metropolitan Bk. Wash. with check for 12.00 (April 15th) dividend. Also a letter and check book from the National Bank of Washington (April 5th) about the merger and special dividend \$3675.00. I did n't write in this book till Monday 29th and mix things up in consequence. Went to Bellevue and paid for coal &c. at Al Rogers's. Sent letters to Sally and Mary C.
- 27 Pleasanter—but chilly. Went to Burlington to see Hilda. She put in the fire my note for \$50. and gave me her Bank book and I went to Bank and got young Mr. Gaines to put 50. to the credit of I. H. Brady in the book I signed a check for the money. Brought home my bank book. Got letter from Julia.
- 28 Sunday. Turned warmer was pleasant.
- 29 Went to Rising Sun via Waterloo and Rabbit Hash. Stopped in Bellevue and pd. Mike and order for 2 bls flour March 4th 9.30 one barrel for Joe West. Went to Bk. in Rising Sun and got Mr. Perkins to cash the check for 12.00 see 26th and paid him the 6.00 that I owed on Mr. Voss' hay (see Feb. 25th). Paid the tax 2.14 on Aunt Eliza' lot and got receipts. It was warm and pleasant. I had no fire to-day. The men were making a warm bed for sweet potatoes in the garden. Harry put the lining on the stove fire box—it came from Spaeth's. Put in R.S.P.O. letter to Belle R. Got letter from Mary C. Heard whip-poor-wills.
- 30 Rained last night and this morning—chilly and sunless all day—had fire again. Mr. Harry Acra came and got 10 bus. corn to be paid for later. Got note from Ernest about corn. Planted a box of Optimus Tomatoes. Up May 11

May

- 1 Cold and cloudy—a gloomy May day. I have a good coal fire and am thankful for it. Gillie Wiesickle got 2 bus. corn and paid 1.00. Sent letter to Sally. Had crêpe myrtles taken out.
- 2 38° at sunup. Ernest got two loads of corn. I got the weights from Mike Corbin 53 bus. 40 lbs. and Ernest's check on Aurora Natl. Bk. for \$26.80. Got letter from Patty. Went to the funeral or rather burial of old Mr. Williamson in the old graveyard, Bellevue. Stopped to see Betty Rice. Sun shone today. Had Kite cow turned out. Harry said her calf was born the night before I got home.
- 3 Rode over in the big pasture to see the cattle. Sent Harry to get Belle and the colts out of Mr. Rue's. Went to Will Arnold's to tell about sheep. Joe went to Aurora and I sent for meal &c. Harry worked a little in the garden—planted some peas, beans and beets. Towards night it rained.
- 4 Rained hard last night. Got letters from Sally and Belle R.
- 5 Sunday. Dick says there was frost this morning. It turned warmer and after sundown rained a little. I walked over in the big pasture to see the cattle—saw a big black snake, the first this spring.
- 6 Rained gently this morning. Sent letters to Patty, Julia, Sue and Louisiana Arkell, later to Sarah and Covington P.M. Got letters from Patty and Sue.
- 7 Raining—cleared up warmer later. Went to Doll (John J.) Walton's and gave him a check for \$40. on the Boone Co. Dep. Bk. to pay for the Black Angus 'stock animal' I bought from him (see Oct. 4th 1906). I have now paid him in full for everything. Sent letter to Sue—got one from Julia. Doll Walton gave me the register paper and the transfer paper of the Black Angus.
- 8 Sent Harry to see about the black cattle—he says the cow with the white feet has a heifer calf. Dick attended to my 2 pigs. Leeomer worked for me hauling rail pieces from the mud road. It rained about 4 after being cloudy all day. Harry raked the little piece of clover on the pike—trimmed some rose vines.
- 9 Harry found the black cow with white underneath with a b. calf. Went to Bellevue—got at Mike's 1 bus. alfalfa seed and box of Lenox soap. Got Al Rogers to cash Ernest's check for \$26.80 (see 2nd) Leeomer hauled rail pieces and wood for me. It thundered and sprinkled about 4. Got letter from Julia and book and picture of Isabella.
- 10 Was warmer and sprinkled sometimes—turned colder at night. Leeomer worked hauling wood they worked Hector with Cy. Got letters from Patty and little Julia.
- 11 40° at sunup—blowing from icebergs by the feeling of it. Gave Joe West an order on M. J. Corbin for a barrel of flour. Also sent by him order to Al Rogers to send me 10 bus. coal. Hilda and Miss Fanny Walton who came to stay all night and go to church. Got line from Sue and note from Cousin Harvey.
- 12 Sunday. Hilda and Miss Fanny went to church and after dinner went home—sent letter to Sally to Burlington. It turned warmer and was a bright lovely day.
- 13 My parents wedding day. Lord love their souls. Harry worked in the garden—stuck peas, planted butter beans, beets and cucumbers—went to see cattle and he went to B. Sent letter to T—D. Got tax notice about Aunt Eliza's lot. Warmer—bright pretty day.
- 14 Bright warm day but windy. Harry finished breaking up the garden after Joe ploughed next the pike also made some flower beds. I did n't have fire in the house. Planted nasturtiums by the kitchen.
- 15 Rained some last night and raining this morning. Went to Bellevue—sent letters to Isabella and Susie Tew—got note from cousin Harvey. Pd Al Rogers for the coal and got order (see 11th). Sent Harry to see the black cattle—he said there was another b. calf. Susan went to R. Sun. I got letter from Sally and box of shirt waists. It was so chilly I had fire again. Chilly but bright—had fire again. Susan came back. Harry worked in the garden planted corn made hills &c. I planted okra. Turned the sow and pigs out. Sent letter to Sally.
- 17 Bright rather warm. Harry planted two rows of watermelons. Took Belle R. to Zen's but it was not any use. He mowed in the yard a little I planted vine seeds round the old catalpa snag. Went to Bellevue—took letters to Sarah and Julia—got letter from Hilda saying she saw Sally Chenault in Cin.

- 18 Threatened rain all day—and was warmer. I had no fire. Got invitation to the wedding of May Eaton (Mary) to Rev. Frank Howard Nelson June 6th Montclair N.J.
- 19 Sunday—did n't write in this till the 24th like a goose and will get all things wrong perhaps.
- 20 Sent Harry to take Belle R. to Zen Scott's to his black Percheron. Began to clean the house—took up the dining room carpet and at noon Joe cleaned the chimney. Got letters from Patty Sue and Julia.
- 21 Put down the dining room carpet and kept on with the house cleaning. Took up Patty's room carpet. Last night 20th was so cold the frost killed some of my beans up in the garden and bit the ends of the leaves of some of my tomato plants. I had no fire in the house and was uncomfortably cold both these evenings—slept in feathers to get warm.
- 22 Kept on house cleaning. Went to Bellevue. Took up the carpet in Hilda's old room. It turned warmer and became pleasant.
- 23 Still cleaning—it was warm and lovely—all the week has been bright and breezy—just the weather for this kind of work.
- 24 Got letter from Patty—notice from T—D. see 13th also Photograph and card from Miss Clara Hill—these Harry brought out last night. Went to Burlington to Bank—gave my check for 25.00 to Mr. Revill and got a draft on Bk. of America N.Y. in \$15. payable to the order of Mary Eaton and 10. cash. Stopped to see Hilda—got home before 11. After dinner there was a fine rain, gentle and with some thunder, just what was needed. The country looked lovely and the air was delightful going to Burlington. Began at the house cleaning again—put down the carpet in Hilda's old room &c. Patty said Isabella and her family were to start on the ship the 22nd for England and Scotland.
- 25 Cleaned house—put down the carpet in Hilda's old room [again, I guess]. It rained hard. Got note from Isabella on the Adriatic.
- 26 Sunday. Susan and all went to church. A bright pretty day. Rained in the night.
- 27 Chilly. Began to clean the house again. Dick set out some tobacco—he said $\frac{3}{4}$ of an acre. Harry put down the carpet in the little back room up stairs. It was so cold at night that I had a wood fire in my little room. Got letter from Patty.
- 28 Frost this morning—touched a few things. Joe and Dick divided the sweet potato bed. Cleaned house again up stairs. Harry put the carpet down. Went to Bellevue to see about getting rid of my chicken-eating sow. Stopped to see Betty. Had fire again to-night.
- 29 Harry worked the garden to-day, ploughed hoed and planted some seeds—Hubbard Squash. He also planted over the melons of both kinds. I planted over my cucumbers—replanted beans and set out 34 tomato plants—the first this year. Joe set out over 4 rows of sweet potatoes in his patch in the garden. It was not so cold but I had fire at night. Have had some sour strawberries this week. Did n't write in this again till Sat. night.
- 30 Patty came on the Swan—she telephoned me she was in Cin. first. Went to meet my darling. Got letters from Sally, Mary Eaton and postal from Hilda—put in P.O. letter to Sally. Bright pretty day and warmer.
- 31 It looked like rain and rained later with thunder and poured all night. John Moreland came to see us. Joe said he got 1100 sweet potato plants from All Rogers and they set them out. This evening Patty got by telephone from Amy a telegram from Frank saying Isabella and all of them had arrived in England safe and well.

June

- 1 Got telephone from Lexington from Sally Chenault that her mother my old and beloved friend died yesterday in La. and that the funeral would be Monday. Got ready to go but it poured down nearly all day with heavy thunder. Patty got ready to go too. She went to Bellevue and got a check of mine on the Burlington Dep. Bk. for 25.00 cashed by Al Rogers. Got letters from Julia and Susie Tew. They set out some tobacco but the rain prevented their setting. Chilly.

- 2 Sunday. Did n't write in this till the 10th. Patty and I started early for Lex. Via Burlington and Erlanger—in the rain. At Erlanger we got an excursion train and got to Lex.—went to Sally's and that day went to the train to meet Joe and Sally with Sarah's remains. We stayed at Sally's.
- 3 Sarah was buried from Sally Chenault's about noon in the Gibson lot in the Lexington Cemetery. Rev. Ghelon Rout and Mr. Alex Hensley officiated and Alice Field and some friends sang—Jesus lover of my Soul and Nearer my God to Thee, Green be the turf above thee. Friend of my better days. She was 77 the 17th of May—and though no more sincere mourner followed her to the grave I rejoice in her escape "from the evil to come." We went back to Sally's and went to Sumner's Forest that evening to stay with Lucy.
- 4 Tuesday—it poured down—had fires.
- 5 Sally Chenault came down to Lucy's and stayed all night. Sent note to Julia.
- 6 We went up to Lex—lunched at Sally's and started home on the 3 P.M. train. We got to Erlanger in time to get to Burlington where Harry met us and home by dark—stopped a moment to see Hilda.
- 7 It rained almost all day. Got mail with T—D. letter from Sally and Susie Tew. Set out tomato plants.
- 8 Susan went away to visit her mother. Sent for Hilda and Miss Fanny who came to stay to go to church.
- 9 Sunday. Ernest and Lily came to spend the day. Hilda and Miss Fanny went home. Pretty bright day—we sat on the gallery.
- 10 Dick and Joe pulled and set out sweet potato plants. I forgot to write that Harry said there were 2 new calves in the black cattle. Warmer. Patty went to Burlington to see the horse Plutarch to send Ty. It rained hard on the way.
- 11 Went to Bellevue—it was a pretty bright day and they cleaned the big passage. Ethel came to work. I sold my calf, a heifer Betty Berkshire's calf, to Mike Corbin. He sent me the weight 155 lbs at 5½ came to 8.52. Harry took it down and Joe helped him catch it and put it in. Sent letter to Sally put it in P.O. Put the sow up in the pen again.
- 12 Rained last night and off and on to-day. Set out tomatoes finished the second row. Harry set out cabbage plants and some I bought. Mr. James E. Botts came and I signed his application for the position of mail carrier on the R.R. if we get it saying I knew him, thought him reliable &c. Went to meet Susie Tew—who came on the Swan on her way from N. Orleans. Got from Mr. Rogers a paper about the Burley Tobacco pool. Harry took Cy down and Mr. Grant shod him.
- 13 Harry worked in the garden hoed, planted beans &c. I sent letter to Frank about my bank business. Got letters from Sally and Julia. Dick said he was planting cucumbers.
- 14 Went to Doll Walton's and to Bellevue to see about sow. Harry worked in the garden and cleaned the pantry.
- 15 Patty went to Ernest's this evening. A perfectly beautiful day.
- 16 Sunday. Went to see about cattle—found the 8th calf—had the first peas. Susan came home from visiting her mother. Perfect day.
- 17 Had the cattle turned from the big pasture into the one on the mud road. Harry said that one of the black cows was missing and towards evening he went to hunt it and found a young calf but not the cow—also said he found a dead calf that had been dead some time. Went to the funeral of Mr. Perry Clore—at the Baptist church Bellevue—he was buried in the old B. cemetery. Mr. Utz and Mr. Maddox spoke. Received the Bank letters I inclosed to Frank. A beautiful day—hoed some in the garden. Mr. T. R. Roberts paid me 1.25 for some timber. Did n't write in this till 24th.
- 18 Ethel went home. Harry drove all the black cows back into the big pasture—left the stock animal with the milk cows a few days.
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- 20 Brought the disowned calf up and put it in the calf pen and made it suck Betsy. Harry ploughed in the garden.

- 21 Went to Burlington for Mary Burke, Ridy's daughter who came from Versailles. Went to Bank and got \$20. from Mr. Revill. Went to see Hilda. Got letters from Sally saying Frank had gone to California, also letter from Frank on his way about the Bank business also letter from Jamie Tew telling me of his engagement to Miss Elinor Bechtel. Hot weather. Put in B. P.O. letter to Miss Clara Hill.
- 22 Hot still. Went to Ernest's with Mary to call on Mrs. Ed Grant—and to Bellevue. Sprinkles of rain—got letter from Julia.
- 23 Sunday. Got sprinkles.
- 24 Rained a little early and then a good shower. Mary Burke and Susie Tew left. I went with them to Burlington and saw them in the omnibus for Erlanger on their way to Versailles.
- 25 Harry ploughed some in the garden—sent letter to Sally.
- 26 Sent by Patty and paid order cash that I gave Mr. Fred on Mike Corbin 1.25 and she got the order—let Georgy have 1.00 on Dick's work. Got letter from Julia with clipping telling that Willie Dinsmore's home had been robbed of \$6000 worth of silver and \$5000 in 2 violins. Cool.
- 27 Joe got 5 bus. corn—which he is to return. Harry went to Aurora. Got letter from Susie Tew and one for her. Cool pretty day.
- 18 Harry took Ty to Burlington. Patty went to see Hilda. I hoed in the garden—it was a strange day cloudy all day—looked like rain—at night cool only 64° at 9 P.M. I got letters from Isabella, Mary Shelly Burke and picture postal from Fanny Gibbon.
- 29 Very cool 60° in the morning 64° at night, and sprinkled occasionally and looked like rain. I walked up to look at the wheat and to see where Mr. Fred was cutting weeds next Jesse's.
- 30 The day my beloved sister Belle died 40 years ago. Lord love her precious soul. Warmer and bright a lovely day.

July

- 1 Went to Bellevue. Got Al Rogers to cash a check on B. Bk. for \$10.00. Signed the paper M. Corbin had, to pool my tobacco crop of 1907. Mr. Hatfield cut the clover on the pike before noon. Got letter from Sally and Mrs. Brown by her nurse. Harry said there were 10 calves with the Black A. cattle.
- 2 Rode up to see about a road to my rye through the Rue bottoms. Harry raked up the hay. Joe and Dick, Leeomer and Mr. Hatfield got in the hay after dinner with both wagons they did n't use hay beds—it was clear and beautiful—this little dab of hay has not had any rain on it. They got it in by 4 P.M. I went to B. and got a barrel of flour and one of salt. Got letter from Sue.
- 3 56° at sunup. Went across Woolper and up on the hills where Will Botts lived to see about getting wheat cut—all for nothing. Came back to B. got letters from Julia and Mary Burke. Beautiful day—cool.
- 4 Dick went up to help Zekie Rice down with his binder. Zekie got here in time for dinner and afterwards they began to cut the rye in the big part of the bottom field. Joe and Mr. Hatfield worked and were waiting long before they got here with the binder. The rye is very tall and weedy, especially where the corn shocks stood. It turned warmer.
- 5 Zeky Rice finished cutting the rye in the bottom—got home by 4 P.M. Dick and Joe and Mr. Hatfield worked. It was warmer and breezy. Got letter from Sally.
- 6 Zeky Rice was cutting Dick's wheat on cherry hill—the wheat looks beautiful and seems good. It is very hot but there is a breeze. Gave Joe West an order on Corbin for a barrel of flour. The machine knife broke and they quit cutting. It was 96° in the shade on the gallery and Joe said 98° in Bellevue. Got letter from Mary C. in Los Angeles. There was a windstorm with much lightning but only a sprinkle.

- 7 Sunday—bright and hot again. 94°. Towards evening another appearance of storm much lightning and thunder and a little rain. Sent letters to Sally Chenault and to Natl. Bk. of Washington and to Farmers' and Mechanics' Bk. Georgetown. Heard that Rose West Loudon was baptized.
- 8 68° at sunup—turned hot and there was an appearance of a storm but very little rain. Zekie Rice was cutting the wheat till the machine broke.
- 9 Cloudy part of the day and thundered but very little rain. Zekie cut wheat again and broke down again. Sent letter to Belle R.
- 10 Sent letter to Mary C. Finished tying up tomatoes. Zekie and Dick started cutting wheat again. It rained so they had to quit again—had a good rain. Harry set out a few sweet potato plants.
- 11 Rained some during the night. Zekie began on the wheat again and they finished it just before a hard rain after 10 A.M. Zekie Rice charged Dick Loudon \$15.00 for cutting his wheat and charged me 7.50 for cutting my 6 acres of rye. I had to advance the money for Dick's till we sell the wheat [in margin "pd. Aug. 6th"], so I gave a check payable to the order of E.C. Rice for 22.50 on the Burlington Dep. Bk. Rained hard again a soaking rain. Got letter from Julia.
- 12 Cloudy morning. Harry cut grass in the yard with machine—after dinner Patty went to Aurora. I got letter from Farmers' and Mechanics' Natl. Bk. Georgetown D. C. with draft for \$56.00 dividend, also one from A. B. Ruff cashier Natl. Bank of Washington saying the July dividend of \$105. was placed to my credit. Also letter from Julia. Sent letter to Mrs. Brown and forwarded one to Susie Tew. Turned cooler.
- 13 Sent for Hilda and Miss Fanny who came to go to church. Harry got the new wheels put on Patty's buggy at Mr. Grant's. Got letter from Susie Tew. Sent one to Sally from Burlington.
- 14 Sunday. Miss Fanny went to McVille after dinner Hilda stayed. Ernest and Lily came late.
- 15 Went to see about the cattle—found yearling white-faced black steer sucking a cow. Laurence Phipps came to see about breaking Sprightly. Got letter from Frank about dividend and one from Sally Chenault. Mr. and Mrs. Maddox called.
- 16 Harry took Ty to Hebron—plowed in the garden a little in the evening—before that took Ty to B. and had 2 hind shoes put on. Hot and close 90°.
- 17 Put in the P.O. at Bellevue letter to F.W.M. Cutcheon inclosing my check on the Natl Bank of Washington for \$3000. for him to invest, see April 26th. Went to R. Sun and to Bank and got Mr. Perkins to cash the draft for \$56.00 from F. and M. Natl. Bk. (see 12th). Stopped to see Betty Rice. Got letters from Sally and Belle R. Hot and looked like rain.
- 18 Estelle Huey called. Hilda went to a birthday party. Got bill from Tel. Co. Very hot. Got the black cow up and made her calf suck. Susan went to R. S. and Ethel came.
- 19 Unforgotten day. Called up by telephone the Lawrenceburg Roller Mill Co. Dick being present. We sold him our wheat at .87½ at Bellevue and sent for 200 sacks that Harry brought. The threshing machine got here by sundown—came through Doll Walton's. I went to Mrs. Waltons. Hilda and Miss Fanny went home. Very hot.
- 20 Mr. C. M. Baldon threshed Dick's wheat before noon. He said there were 325 bus. and he charged 16.25. [in margin: "Pd. Aug 6"] I gave him a check on Burlington Dep. Bk. for that amount to be charged to R. Loudon. Also advanced to him 3.00 to pay hands. Mr. Baldon charged me 5.00 for threshing my rye 61 bus. [In margin: "Pd. Aug 6"] I let Will Rogers have 7 sacks that were left from the 200 of the Lawrenceburg mill. I gave Dick 2.25 to pay my hands from Bellevue 1.50 to pay Jesse and Leeomer for working for me and .75 to pay Omer McGuire for me. It was a hot day—sweltering.
- 21 Sunday Very hot. I killed a snake in the back part of the big passage—the 5th snake that I remember killing in the house.
- 22 Very hot gain. Patty sick. Joe went with the team to help the Rogers thresh. Towards sundown there was a thunder storm with severe lightning and a shower of rain. I made blackberry seedless jam.

- 23 On account of rain, Joe did n't go to help the Rogers thresh till noon—took the team. Sweltering hot. Went to Bellevue this morning and paid W. W. Grant's blacksmith bill. He said the new wheels he put on the buggy were \$15. and the bill was 23.25 in full to date. Got a number of books that Cousin Frankie sent us by mail.
- 24 Hot—about 11 A.M. had a fine shower with plenty of thunder. Mr. Hatfield came and said he had worked in harvest including a day for Dick and the rye and clover 6 ½ days at 1.50 a day which came to 9.75. I paid him 9.25.
- 25 Very hot sweltering day—about 11 A.M. a good shower with heavy thunder. One of the barrow pigs of my eight (there were only 2) was sick this morning and died. The men hauled the wheat to Bellevue to be shipped. Joe and his hand hauled for me and they took 4 loads to a team Joe said, 325 bus. Patty went to the Kelly neighborhood to get apples. I got letters from Sally and Julia. Did n't write in this again til August 7th.
- 26 Very hot rained hard about noon and cooled off. Gave Joe West order on M.J. Corbin for 6.00 of which 4.50 was for his harvesting for the Rogers and 1.50 for Mr. Hatfield .50 of which I owed him (see 24th) and he charged me 1.00 for helping haul wheat yesterday.

August

- 7 Dick Loudon came up to get his book settled and got his money for his work. Since our settlement he said he had worked 23½ days which comes to 17.63. He had received cash on his work 9.00 which left a balance of 8.63 and I paid him. Went to Bellevue. Paid Mike Corbin the order for 6.00 (see July 26th) and got the order. Mike said that the calf that Harry took to him Tuesday July 30th (see June 20th) weighed 110 lbs and he bought it at 6.87 and credited me with it on my account. Went to see Al Rogers about the 20 sacks of rye his brother Will hauled Sat. July 26th. Al said it weighed 2760 lbs = 46 bushels and at .75 came to 34.50. From this he took .98 for coal to thresh with and .60 for a dozen glass cans balance 32.92 for which amount he gave me a check on the People's Dep. Bk. Burlington. Heard from Joe Humphreys Lex. By telephone that he was coming to-morrow—via Burlington. Stopped to see Mrs. Mary Rice who is sick at Mrs. Rue's. Some of the cattle got out of the big pasture—and Harry put them back he said. Got letters from Sally and July.
- 8 Very hot. Sent to Burlington for Joe H. but he did n't come. Went to look at the tobacco on cherry hill. Got postal from Silas D. Went to see Mrs. Rice.
- 9 Hot. Posted letters to Sally and Julia and note to Silas D. Ethel went home this evening. Harry dug the onions.
- 10 Hot again. Went to Mrs. Rice's but Mrs. Rice was gone. Hilda and Miss Fanny came to go to church—stayed. Got telephone from Julia F. about ship sailing. Got letter from Frank Cutcheon about money see July 17th also letter from Joe H. Sent letter to Lucy J.
- 11 Sunday. The 6 little wrens that were hatched in the nest on the window sill in the dining room 'lit out' at 6 A.M. The parent birds presided at the flitting and they all got off successfully—and I miss them. Hot day. Towards evening Hilda and Miss F. went home. Sent by them letter to Sally to the steamer.
- 12 Went to hunt the cattle—could n't find all. Very hot—water scarce in the pasture. Talked to Dick about seed wheat. Got letter from Julia. About 4 a thunder shower. Harry took Ty to Hebron.
- 13 58° at 5.30 A.M. Patty went to Aurora and to dine at Ernest's. Got letter from Sally and one from Frank Cutcheon inclosing a power of attorney to Charles W. Gordon for him to sell my St. Paul lots, to be signed &c.
- 14 My darling b.b. Patsy's birthday. Lord love her. Cool—getting very dry. Posted letter to Jamie Tew and sent by Harry to Aurora one to Belle R. Got one from Julia. Sally and Frank were to sail to-day.
- 15 Went to Burlington with Patty and to Bank. Mr. C. L. Gaines in the Boone Co. Dep. Bk. being a notary public I signed before him the power of attorney for Charles W. Gordon (see 13th) and Patty Selmes

and Mr. Dudley Rouse witnessed it. Mr. Gaines then signed and stamped it with his seal. I put it in an envelope addressed to Mr. Gordon and put it in Burlington P.O. Pd Mr. Gaines' fee .60. Got Al Rogers' check for the rye cashed 32.92 (see 7th). Got besides 75. for which I gave a check and went to the Court House and paid my taxes \$72.30 and got receipt from B. B. Hume. Got check for 1.80 to send to pay telephone Co. Went to B. Post O. and pd. Miss Olga Kirkpatrick 1.60 on the ass. Card of Insurance Co. and she receipted it. Went to call on Hilda and got home for dinner. Patty got letter from Sally written Tuesday. Cloudy and thundered later but no rain.

- 16 Posted check for 1.80 to Con. Telephone Co. to pay bill for extra telephone messages. Sent letter to Sally—got one from her on the Adriatic and one from Julia. Rained before noon.
- 17 The anniversary of my beloved mother's death. Lord love her sweet soul. It rained part of the day and turned cool. The servants and most of the people on the place went to the Lawrenceburg Fair. I sent letters by our P.O. box to Julia and to Sue, Patty. I got letter from Sally on the ship. Mr. Kirkpatrick came to look at my two steers.
- 18 Sunday. Ernest and Lily dined with us and Flora and Will came in the evening.
- 19 Went up to Aurora with Patty who went to Cincinnati on her way to Henderson N.Y. to visit Mrs. Robinson. Had a telephone late from her at Cin. Went to Bellevue to the canning factory but they were just done canning. Got mail letter from Mr. Charles W. Gordon acknowledging the receipt of the power of attorney (see 15th) also letter from him for Patty for me to read with diagram and description of my lots. Also letter from Isabella for me with kodaks and letter and box for Patty from Mary S. Burke. Went to see Ben Corbin about painting &c. Warm day. Julia Loudon came up to sleep.
- 20 Posted letter to Sue inclosing hers from Isabella also one to Patty inclosing Mary Burke's and Patty's letter from Mr. C.W. Gordon. Sent Harry to Bellevue for the old buggy and sent the box to Patty. Got letter from Patty in Cin. and from Julia. Went to Mrs. Walton's but she was not at home.
- 21 Rained last night and this morning—cool. Got letter from Belle R. Went to B. to see the Canning factory working. Heard that Mrs. Lizzie Graves was dead. Rained harder after I got home.
- 22 Clear day—rode up to Doll Walton's. Dick was picking tomatoes. Doll's hogs were in the timothy and tobacco on cherry hill. Got letters from Patty on the train and Julia. Mr. Stahl (?) from Aurora came to look at my steers.
- 23 Rained hard last night and most of the day. Got letter from Patty at Mohawk and from Julia. Bob Huey came with a subscription paper to reconstruct the Woolper turnpike and I subscribed \$15.00.
- 24 My beloved father's birthday. Lord love his soul. Wrote to Sally. Sent Harry with box of corn to ship on Swan—sent 1.00 with it. Got telegram from Mr. Carl Taylor that Sally and Frank had arrived safe also letters from Patty and Julia and postal from Fanny G. Harry and Susan went over the river.
- 25 Sunday—beautiful day—felt like fall.
- 26 54° at sunup. Ben Corbin came to paint metal roofs. Sent Harry down to get 2 gals. black paint and ½ gal. red. Got letter from Julia L. for Patty and 2 from Patty. Dick hauled tomatoes 19½ bus. Julia said. I put up 6 pints of tomatoes. Saw in the paper the account of the marriage of Mary Frances Cleneay [a Woolly relative in Cin.] to Mr. Thomas F. Galvin. Sent letter to Patty.
- 27 Sent letter to Patty and her letter—got one from Hilda. Went to Mr. Edgar Berkshire's to get some vinegar. Rained some and at night.
- 28 Went to Bellevue. Harry got 3 shoes reset on Ty and hauled out 4 bunches of shingles. Mike Corbin sent for for [sic] me. Left with Mr. Acra my subscription for Bud Moreland 5.00 to be given to Mrs. Bondurant. Got letter from Patty.
- 29 Went to Mr. Ed Bott's [sic] to get peaches and canned. Ben Corbin came and painted and patched roofs. Frances Grant came to tell me goodbye. Got letter from Patty and one for her later. Ben measured the outside of the top of the chimney in my little room—said it was 30 ½ x 17 inches. Dick hauled to Burlington a load of watermelons and then a load bus of tomatoes.

- 30 Raining. Cleared up and was hot. Ben Corbin came for ½ day patching roofs. I posted a letter to Patty from Frank's office. Josie found the Kite cow with a black heifer calf. I canned peaches.
- 31 Hot day—did not rain. Made a little Chili Sauce. Sent letter to Sally—got one from Patty. Mr. Ezra Aylor came to tell me about alfalfa.

September

- 1 Sunday—hot day.
- 2 No mail—legal holiday. Mr. Lawrence Phipps came after Sally's Sprightly to train her. I canned the rest of the peaches and made some Chili S. It rained hard towards noon. I went to B. and posted letters to Patty and Julia. Stopped to see Betty. Dick hauled tomatoes 22 bus.
- 3 Dick hauled 11 bus. more to-day—also sold melons. I went to see them working at the canning factory. Got letter from Patty and the Charlie Gordon letter with plot of my lots, also letter from Sally at Southampton—with picture of the Adriatic and letter from Sue and Lucy J. Went to see Doll W. about hogs again—he was n't at home. Dick and Joe cut some tobacco. Cloudy and looked like rain.
- 4 Little Martha's birthday, bless her little life. Sent letters to Isabella, Sally and Patty. Got letters from Patty and Julia. Clear day. The men cut tobacco.
- 5 Went to Mr. Ezra Aylor's to see alfalfa. Canned tomatoes—then rode round to see the men's crops. Joe was hauling tobacco, Leomer cutting and Dick getting tomatoes he had 28 crates.
- 6 Examined and resacked the meat. Mr. Will Clore came to see me about timothy hay. 13.50 a ton, I to haul. Cool last night and this morning. Got letters from Patty at Orange and from Julia. Harry got from Bellevue letter for Patty from Byrne and Cutcheon. Bright pretty day. Cool and bright. Gave Joe West an order on Mike Corbin for a barrel of flour. Got letter from Patty and sent her the letter that came yesterday for her. Sent Harry for Hilda and Miss Fanny Walton who came to stay and went to church. I went down too and met Ernest L. Grant and at Corbin's store I witnessed a paper that he had told me was his will. Mrs. Kate Corbin also witnessed it. We three saw each other write our names so I suppose it is all right. Sprinkled sometimes and had a shower after dark.
- 8 Sunday. Hilda and Miss Fanny went to church—later went home. Ernest came. Doll Walton stopped by.
- 9 The birthday of my beloved mother. Lord love her. Wrote to Patty—got letter from her and Julia. Ben Corbin came out and finished the painting of the roofs—also painted the graveyard gate. I pd. him 5.65 in full. Went to B. after a gallon of roof paint &c. Harry helped Joe ½ day. Ben says the paint on the roofs will last 5 years. Dick hauled tomatoes bus. and cut tobacco and Joe cut too. I made plum jelly.
- 10 The birthday of my darling little sister. Lord love her. Rained last night and to-day off and on. Sent letter to Patty—got one from Sue saying she and Susie would come Sat. Canned tomatoes.
- 11 Bright and cool. The men cut tobacco. Harry helped Joe ½ day. I sent letter to Patty—got one from her and one from Sally from Newcastle-on-Tyne Aug. 28th.
- 12 Got up before day to see the comet. Cool day and clear. Joe was cutting and hauling tobacco. Harry was helping him till he wanted to go to Rising Sun. Susan went too. Dick hauled watermelons. I sent Patty a letter with Sally's.
- 13 Did n't write in this till Monday. Got letter from Patty inclosing one from Sally.
- 14 Got letter from Patty and Hilda. Sent one to Sally's cook with receipt for Chili Sauce. Sent to the river for Sue and Susie Tew who came on the Swan. Mr. Fred cut briars. Warm.
- 15 Sunday. Clear and warm—like summer.
- 16 Still warm some thunder and sprinkles. Sent letters to Patty and Julia—got letters from Patty and Julia. I canned some tomatoes out of Dick's patch. Sent Harry down to the Swan for Sue's and Susie's

trunks—they did n't come. Mr. Fred cut briars again. Got letter from Jamie Tew inviting me to his wedding Oct. 16th.

- 17 Susie Tew went to Aurora—and on to Cin. on the hunt of their trunks. If she found them she was going on to N.O. Sent Harry to take her and to B. to see if Sue's trunk came—it did not. Dick hauled 30 bus. tomatoes to Bellevue and brought me a barrel of flour from Corbin's. Sent letter to Patty—got letters from Patty and from Silas and Laura Dinsmoor—22 Weissinger-Gaulbert Apts. Louisville. Warm as summer. Susan's baby crawled for the first time.
- 18 Did n't write in this till 20th. Got letter from Julia I think. Went to B. and to the canning factory. Sue's trunk did n't come.
- 19 Hot still. Sue's trunk came. Sent letter to Jamie Tew and to Patty.
- 20 Got letter from Patty—2 from Sally with heather and blue bells—the last from Glasgow, and later one from Fanny Strader. 88° degrees on the gallery. The men are getting in tobacco this week and Dick hauling tomatoes.
- 21 Sent letter to Patty inclosing Sally's. Made catsup. Harry and Susan went over the river and Frances went home with them.
- 22 Sunday—beautiful clear day—cooler.
- 23 Much cooler morning, windy most of the day. Sent letter to Silas inclosing photograph of his father—got letters from Jaimie and Hilda. Sue and I went to B. to see Hilda after dinner. Stopped to see Susan Arnold C. Josie said her father was done cutting tobacco. Mr. Fred began to cut corn for me in sand field. Joe cut for himself in front of his garden. Warmer and windy.
- 24 Dick brought me my share of the watermelon money 35.50. Harry went over the river to help Ethel's husband. Joe finished housing his tobacco—put it all in the big barn and sheep shed. Warm and windy again. Dick hauled a load of tomatoes and then some tobacco. Leeomer and a hand cut some. Mr. Fred cut corn yesterday and to-day in sand field. Sent Patty letter—got 2 from her. Went to Bellevue. Turned cool.
- 25 42° at sunup. Sent letter to Patty got letters from Susie Tew and Silas Dinsmoor. Dick has got in his tobacco that was on the pike. I went to see the other Mr. Fred cut some corn. Dick saw there was some frost in places but neither tobacco nor tomatoes were touched.
- 26 42° at sunup—turned rather warmer. Went to Bellevue to send for Harry who came home at noon. Got letter from Julia from little Julia at Sally's with Patty and from Hilda. Canned tomatoes and made some catsup. Joe West hauled 1 load of baled hay for me from Mr. Will Clore's 2115 lbs 15 bales his hand helped—they only worked ½ day. I think Dick hauled tomatoes. Went to see Al about coal—not to be had. Assessor came and said he would call to-morrow.
- 27 After noon Joe went for another load of hay. Mr. Will Clore called me by telephone and said his son Hubert had 2 and perhaps 3 tons of hay as good as his but would n't sell for less than 14.00 a ton so I told him I would take it at that. Joe hauled the same number of bales 15. Did n't write in this till Oct. 1st.
- 28 Cloudy and after dinner rained hard and there were other showers. Silas and Laura Dinsmoor came from Louisville to visit us—came on the Swan from Aurora and got out between the showers. Sent letters to Patty and Sally and got letter from Patty I think.
- 29 Sunday. Cloudy chilly day—we had a wood fire at night and it felt comfortable. 57° at sunup.
- 30 Bright pretty day. We went to Bellevue to see about the boat. Silas and Laura went away on the mail boat at night. I gave Silas the old dictionary of his grandfather's and the foot stove of his grandmother. Got letters from Patty and Sally—sent one to Patty.

October

- 1 Went to Burlington with Sue—at the Bank Boone Co. Dep. got draft on N. York for \$25. payable to Elinor Bechtel—gave a check for it on the Bk. Went to see Hilda, got letter from her. Dick had all his tobacco cut and was hauling it to-day and his hand cut some fodder for me. Warmer.
- 2 Sent note to Miss Bechtel, Jamie's fiancée inclosing the draft (see 1st). We went to Bellevue to take back and exchange a barrel of flour at Corbin's. Joe cut corn and dug Irish potatoes.
- 3 Put up some canned tomatoes—got letters from Patty and Laura Dinsmoor. After dinner Harry went to Bellevue for coal oil. It rained hard and still rains at bedtime.
- 4 Cloudy and sprinkled sometimes. Harry took Sue to Aurora to get her train. Got letter from Patty. Joe and Mr. Hatfield had cut corn 10 shocks in sandfield 5 in the garden and 86 in the field next Will Arnold, 101 in all at 7 cts. I paid each 3.54. Little Julia came up to stay with me.
- 5 48° at sunup, and bright. Got note from Amy inclosing telegram stating that Sally and Frank had got home safe and well thank God [in margin: "the 3d"], and letter from Patty, and one from Miss Elinor Bechtel (see Oct. 1st). I made tomato catsup. There was an election in Bellevue about a proposed graded school.
- 6 Sunday. 46° at sunup. Bright pretty day, picked a bunch of violets in the yard. Ernest and Lily came to call.
- 7 Warmer—about noon rained gently and off and on afterwards. Harry fixed the fence between the two gates in the back pasture to keep the hogs in. Joe was ploughing out and digging sweet potatoes. I sent letters to Sally, Amy C. and Sally Chenault. Got letters from Patty and Sally and one from Frank Cutcheon telling me that Mr. Gordon of St. Paul (see Aug. 15th) had sold to Mr. E. H. Hobe my lots 1 to 30 inclusive, Block 7, Gilbert's Addition for \$2,850 cash. I wrote to Frank and mailed it in Bellevue at Grant P.O. and at the same time sent him the package of papers relating to the lots, that Mrs. Flandrau sent me Nov. 1903. Frank Cutcheon sent me a deed to sign. Got bill from Con. Tel. Co. for 1.35.
- 8 52° at sunup. Dick brought me 3.00 watermelon money. Went to Burlington to the Boone Co. Dep. Bk. and Mr. Cecil Gaines as Notary Public signed and sealed the deed Frank Cutcheon sent me to E. H. Hobe after I had signed it with Mr. Jo Revill and Mr. Amos O. Hall whom Mr. Revill asked, had signed it as witnesses. Then I put the deed in an envelope directed to F. W. M. Cutcheon and put it in the Burlington P.O. Went to see Hilda. It was chilly going to B. though bright. Got letter from Sue. Saw Lawrence Phipps driving Sally's Sprightly. Sent Harry down with Daisy Kite's heifer calf to Mike Corbin—he said it only weighed 125 lbs. Dick hauled a load of sweet potatoes to the factory and had to bring it back. Joe also dug sweet potatoes.
- 9 37° at sunup—had a little wood fire last night and this morning. There was frost but not enough to hurt tomatoes or peppers in the garden. Did n't write in this till 13th. Think the men were digging sweet potatoes.
- 10 Susan left early this morning via Burlington to visit her mother. Sent letter to Amy with 5.00 to get some groceries. Got letter from Patty.
- 11 Raining a little this morning and windy. I went to Aurora by McVillie. Stopped at Mike Corbin's and got him to cash a check on the Boone Co. Dep. Bk. for \$20.00. Chilly drive. Had fire at night.
- 12 Sent for Hilda and Miss Fanny—they went to church and the latter stayed to visit. Hilda came back. Got letter from Amy with 1.00 also letter from Frank Cutcheon saying he had received my letter bundle of papers about my lots and the deed (see 7th and 8th). Dick Loudon came up and told me he had got a check cashed for \$86.00 for tomatoes delivered at the factory to date. I agreed to take one third and to pay one third of the toll. Dick paid me \$28.66. Rained a little.
- 13 Sunday. Bright but chilly. Hilda stayed—there was no church. Isabella and family landed.
- 14 Bright pretty day. Harry went for Miss Fanny and took Hilda and her home. Posted note to Amy—got 3 letters from Patty—one saying that Isabella's ship the Colombia had been sighted—a letter from

Sally and one from Julia. Susan came home with Harry. Went to Bellevue, mailed there to Frank Cutcheon buddy's blank book.

- 15 Got letter from Patty saying Isabella and the rest landed Sunday about 11 A.M. safe and well, thank Heaven, also note from Sue. Sent Harry to R. Sun for coal he got 25 bushels. I gave him the money to pay for it \$3.00. Went to Bellevue sent Postal Order for 4.00 to the canning factory and got an order for Joe West's sweet potato money. The clerk gave me an order for \$38.18 for 75 bushels 20 lbs potatoes at .50. I took the order to Al Rogers and he gave me a check on the People's Bank Burlington for 38.18.
- 16 James Dinsmore Tew was to be married this evening to Elinor Bechtel in Akron, Ohio. Got letter from him to-day, and one from Isabella written on the Columbia, coming home. Ethel came over, sent Harry down with note to the Cap. of the Swan Collier and to get Ethel. He brought out the box of things I sent to Amy for—we all worked cleaning the house—after Ethel came. Joe West divided the Irish potatoes and put them in the wine house cellar.
- 17 The bridal pair Jamie and Elinor came down from Aurora by land and got here toward's noon. They were married by Rev. Atwater last evening. We walked around the yard after dinner and the bride picked a bunch of violets also some roses and a spray of honeysuckle blossoms and it was a perfect day and is a perfect moonlight night. I also picked a large bunch of nasturtiums. Jot worked for me after noon—he hauled a load of hay from Mr. Will Clore's in all .
- 18 Another pretty day and perfect moonlight night—more violets roses and honeysuckle for the bride. Got letter from Patty at Isabella's. Later Jamie brought from the P.O. a paper to sign to vote the St. Paul Title and Trust Co. also one from Natl Metropolitan Bk. Wash. with check for 12.00 dividend. Mrs. West came up this morning and by Joe's direction I paid her his half of the sweet potato money 19.09 (see 15th) and keep the check.
- 19 32° at sunup and ice skim on the buckets at the cistern. Signed and got Jamie Tew to witness the power of atty. for Mr. Charles W. Gordon to vote my Title and Trust Co. stock (see yesterday) and posted it here. We all went to Burlington. I took my check for 38.18 (see 15th and 18th) to Mr. Revill and got it cashed and left it on deposit. We went to call on Hilda. It was a lovely fall day but cooler than it has been lately. Got a letter from Patty and the book that Frank sent back, also Jamie's announcement cards.
- 20 Sunday. 36° at sunup—pretty mild day. I picked a bunch of over 50 violets in the yard.
- 21 I telephoned Mr. William Clore about this hay that came to 41.87 and he said his son Mr. H. M. Clore would only let me have 2 tons of hay at 14.00. By telephone engaged of Al Rogers 15 bush. See wheat (Mr. Rector's) at 1.10. Got letters from Patty, Sally, and Frank, the last about my lots. Got postal card receipts for sub. to Century (see 15th). Flave went after the wheat that he is going to put in for Dick and said he got 14 bus. 40 lbs. We went to see the view at Doll Walton's.
- 22 31° at sunup—turned warmer bright and pretty. Joe hauled hay from Mr. Hubert M. Clore's. I sent by Joe 2 checks, on the Boone Co. Dep. Bk. one for 41.87 payable to order of William Clore for hay already hauled and one for \$28. for hay Joe was to get from Mr. H.M. Clore. Joe thinks two loads to-day. The Dep. Sheriff Mr. Hume came to hunt Joe. Hubert Brady came here to ask me to sign a paper stating that I would not raise any tobacco in 1908 did n't sign. We went to call at Ernest's—saw them.
- 23 A little dash of a shower at 5.30 then clear and warm I went to see Mr. Ezra Aylor about alfalfa hay—he said if he could get it baled he would let me have 5 tons at not over 15.00 a ton. Stopped at Al Rogers' and got 2 bus. timothy at 2.50 per bus. also coal bucket .45. Later sent Jamie for wheat to finish out—he brought 1 sack, 123 lbs by our scales. Flave is helping his father put in wheat. Got letter from Sally. Joe went to B. on his own business. The Assessor Mr. came.
- 24 31° at sunup—slight skim of ice, but lovely day. Joe pulled some of his corn for the hogs. Flave finished putting in the wheat for Dick. Got letter from Patty.

- 25 Sent to Al Rogers his sacks and what was left of the wheat in the sack Jamie got yesterday. Harry took the Kite cow to the other pasture. Posted letter to Albert B. Ruff Cas. Natl. Bk. of Washington asking for my July dividend (see July 12th). Jamie and Elinor Tew started home. Harry took them to Aurora after dinner. We pickled a bunch of violets to-day. Mr. Lawrence Phipps brought Sally's filly Sprightly for me to see and said she was broken to drive. I rode up on cherry hill.
- 25 Ethel went home. It rained and turned into a chilly steady rain even at night. Sent a letter to Patty. Julia came to stay at night.
- 27 Sunday. Cloudy and gloomy morning—rained later off and on. Leaves falling fast. Took long walk.
- 28 Chilly day. Joe was shocking corn and Dick was sowing grass seed for me, after dinner his hands began to put in rye. Sent letters to Sue and Belle R. Got one from Patty and some pralines from Susie T. A letter came for Jamie from Isabella. Harry turned the hogs out again.
- 29 28° at sunup—leaves falling fast. Turned out a bright pretty day. I think Dick worked ½ day sowing grass seed &c. Sent letter to Cousin Frankie and Jamie's letter from I. inclosed. Joe was shucking his corn.
- 30 44° at sunup and raining. Turned out a pretty day. Harry took the work horses to be shod and later I went to Bellevue. Got letters from Patty and from Elinor Tew—also one from Natl Bk. Wash. with draft for \$105 (see 25th and July 12th). Rained during the night.
- 31 46° at sunup and misty but cleared and was beautiful later. Sent a letter that came for Elinor yesterday. Went to Rising Sun and to the Bk. got Mr. Perkins to cash my draft (see yesterday) and the check (see 18th). Went to see Mr. North about coal. Left with Mr. Geo. Kelly .35 for Mr. H. M. Clore for the little hay over the 2 tons. Dick was stripping tobacco, Joe shucking his corn. Got from Isabella package of picture postal cards of the Ferguson estates for Sarah Chenault.

November

- 1 Cloudy and mild—later rained. Sent Harry to R. Sun for coal he got 25 bus. at North's and got it home before the rain. Sent letter to Sally—got letters from Patty and Sally and letter from Mrs. Brown. Picked violets.
- 2 Rained last night and off and on to-day. Had crêpe myrtles put in the cellar. Got letter from Sally.
- 3 Sunday. Clear—took a walk on cherry hill picked some violets, I saw yellow butterflies and a grasshopper. Harry and Susan went over the river after dinner.
- 4 Dick said he got the peck of timothy Sat. and sowed it this morning. Sent letter to Lucy J. After Harry came home I went to B. and took to Al Rogers R. Loudon's check for 34.33 for potatoes and tomatoes—let my portion of it go towards paying Al what I owed him for seed wheat timothy &c. and gave R. Loudon 18.43 of it as I only had a third in the tomato part.
- 6 Election day. Dick harrowed in rye before dinner—cloudy and sprinkled. Sent letter to Julia and got one from her.
- 6 Dick finished putting in rye I think. Went to see the cattle.
- 7 Sent for Hilda who came down to stay and go to church. Mild.
- 8 Sent letter to Patty and got one from her. Lawrence H. Phipps brought Sally's filly home—he has had her since Sep. 2nd. He charged \$25. for breaking her and I gave him a check for that amount on B. Dep. Bk. Picked violets. Pd Joe West 20.00.
- 9 Sent picture postals to Sarah Chenault—got letter from Lucy J.
- 10 Sunday. Mild pretty day. Went to church with Hilda—an evangelist named Argabright preached.
- 11 Hilda started to church but heard there was none. Harry took Sprightly down to have her shoes taken off and Kitty to be shod. Later he hauled a load of coal from Al Rogers, he said 38 bus. Sent letter to Sally inclosing Lucy's, got one from Sue.
- 12 Gave Dick Loudon order on Al Rogers for 100 bus. coal. Joe West hauled 3 loads of coal for me from Al Rogers—he said the two he hauled first were 38 bus. each the last 44. He finished unloading at 2

P.M. Went to Bellevue with Hilda. Bob Huey came for her and took her home after church. Got letters from Patty and Julia. Chilly, felt like snow.

- 13 26° at sunup, bright and chilly. Hilda came back. Sent letter to Patty—got one from her and a handbag. Went to Bellevue paid Al for my 4 loads coal 1 Harry hauled Joe 3 in all. Al said 162½ bus. I paid him in full 22.75. Got from Al Rogers the order I gave R. Loudon yesterday and paid him in full for the coal Dick got 82 bus. \$11.48. Went to W. W. Grant and paid him in full to date 6.75.
- 14 Hilda went to Susie Walton's. Susan and Flora came over after dinner. Dick put some soft corn from the bottom in the new barn. Got letter from Patty.
- 15 22° at sunup and heavy fog. Hilda went on to stay with Betty. Got letter from Sally. Warmer.
- 16 Sent for Hilda—meeting over. Gave Joe West an order on Corbin for a barrel of flour—also paid him 4.50 for 30 shocks of fodder he cut for himself. Paid Omer McGuire in full for his corn cutting and work. Had the 2 Angus b. calves brought up and Dick attended to them. Beautiful day 46° at noon. Sent for Miss Fanny and Hilda and she went home after dinner.
- 17 Sunday. Ernest and Lily came to dine. Mild.
- 18 Rained a little early—cloudy and mild. Dick hauled a little tobacco from the new barn.
- 19 Very foggy all day long but mild. Went to Bellevue. The mail carrier did n't bring the paper—perhaps the fog prevented getting them. Sent letter to Patty and one to Metal Wheel Co. Joe was shucking corn. Susan moved up to the kitchen.
- 20 Rained off and on all day—wind blew hard at night. The men were stripping tobacco. Sent letter to Mrs. Brown—got one from Patty—gloomy weather.
- 21 Cloudy gloomy day. Josephine West and Willie Snelling went to Lawrenceburg and got married they say. Got letter from Lizzie Mitchell Hodges.
- 22 Sent letters to Julia and to Lizzie Mitchell. Got letter from Frank Cutcheon telling me that my St. Paul lots were sold and inclosing the check of Mr. R. Gordon for the amount. [A]lso Frank's check for \$25. interest. It was cloudy and mild but did n't rain. I got circular from Steel Wheel Co. Went to see Mrs. Louly Walton.
- 23 Sprinkled sometimes and was cloudy and chilly all day. Sent Frank Cutcheon a letter with Mr. R. Gordon's check endorsed and signed—got letters from Patty, Sally and Hilda—sent Hilda her umbrella by Mr. Clutterbuck. Went to Bellevue—got the box of things Patty and Sally sent to Julia Loudon and gave them to her.
- 24 Sunday. Bright mild day—took a walk up in the pasture on mud road to the line fence.
- 25 29° Very foggy—cleared off bright. Sent letter to Sally. Went to Rising Sun. Got Mr. Perkins to cash check from Frank (see 22nd). Went to see the Whitlock harp factory and heard one play.
- 26 Bright pretty day 34° at sunup. Packed boxes of jam &c. Dick's daughter Nanny McGuire moved to the toll gate up at Gainesville.
- 27 Went to Aurora with four boxes of jam & fruit. Sent 2 boxes to Sally one of which was Patty's jam and 2 to Isabella. Bright but so windy that I had to come home by Aurora ferry and after dark it blew hard and began to rain.
- 28 Thanksgiving day—the servants went visiting. It was colder but bright and pleasant.
- 29 Colder but bright. Sent letter to Sally about boxes inclosing note for Patty—got letter from Frank Cutcheon saying he received my letter, sent 23 inclosing check—also letter from Julia and Belle R. Went to Bellevue later got letter from Sarah Chenault. Mike said he had a barge of coal at the landing. Joe West said he finished gathering corn to-day—he let me have two tubs of corn to pay for some he borrowed. Moved my bed into the dining room.
- 30 Chilly cloudy and later snows—toward night rained a little—disagreeable. Posted letter to Julia. Went to Burlington to the Court House to hear a man from Grant Alex Hogan they said speak on the tobacco question. Went to see Hilda and [went] with her to Bank where she put her box of valuables with Mr. Revill. Got letter from her before I started. I got letters from Julia and Patty.

December

- 1 Sunday. Fool-like did n't write in this till Thursday night. Took a walk.
- 2 Bright part of the day. Joe helped fix the scalding pan &c. Snowed at night.
- 3 Killed hogs—Joe West's and mine. I had 8, the Acra sow and her seven shoats. I had two hands extra Jesse Loudon and Willie Snelling, besides Dick. I sold Dick Loudon the sow at 5 cts. She weighed 353 lbs = \$17.65. The ground was white with snow, chilly.
- 4 My precious owns' birthday 41. I posted her a little letter. Lord love her sweet life. Harry drove the cattle over into the pasture back of the house. George Roseberry came over and cooked the lard. Harry ground the sausage meat and I seasoned and worked part of it. Sold Joe West .50 of spare ribs. Jesse and Willie S. cut up lard for me &c. Joe cut up and salted the meat.
- 5 Seasoned and worked the rest of the sausage meat. George worked at Joe's lard and went home after dinner. 13° above this morning really cold. Got letters from Patty, Sally and Julia and from Mrs. Graham a newspaper account of the laying of the corner stone of the Memorial Chapel at the University to the memory of Ben Graham. Went to Bellevue. Joe hauled fodder to the cattle and after dinner Willie hauled a load of Mike Corbin's coal bus. and got Tom shod.
- 6 26° at sunup—bright pretty day. Went to Aurora and sent a bucket of sausage to Sally and one to Julia. Sold some sausage to Mr. Herdegan for 2.60. Sent letter to Isabella with receipt for her two boxes (see Nov. 27). Willie Slayback worked ½ day for me hauled 2 more loads of Mike Corbin's coal. Saw Mr. Ezra Aylor and he told me about alfalfa.
- 7 Sent for Hilda—she and Miss Fanny came down to go to church—lovely mild day. Sent letter to Julia.
- 8 Sunday. Lovely day, bright and mild. Did n't write in this again till the 14th. Went home with Hilda and stayed all night. It sprinkled a little on the way to Burlington and rained at night. Before leaving home I gave Hilda a check on the Boone Co. Dep. Bk. for \$10 and she cashed it for me.
- 9 Went in the 6.45 omnibus to Erlanger and on to Cin. and Julia's. At night there was a dinner-dance that was given by Fanny Foster for her daughter Laura—at Julia's. Rained to-day.
- 10 Disagreeable weather. Went in town with little Julia to shop. At night she took me to see Blanche Bates in "The Girl of the Golden West." Colder.
- 11 Stayed with Julia and she took me in town in time for the 4 P.M. train for Erlanger. I came down in the same omnibus to Hilda's and stayed all night. It was colder and felt like snow.
- 12 Telephoned for Harry to come after me and got home by 11 A.M. It was cold and bright. Got 2 letters from Patty one from Sally and one from Isabella. They all got their boxes of cans and the sausage. Sally and Frank had gone to see Gen. Cutcheon who was very ill. Also got letter from Jamie and bill from Telephone Co. Later from Grant P.O. got letter from Annie Anderson and Mary Burke. Thank Heaven found house all right and got back safe and well.
- 13 Cloudy day and after noon began to sleet and turned into rain. Sent letters to Patty and Julia—got letter from Patty from Julias.
- 14 Rained last night and to-day, off and on and not hard. Got letter from Julia.
- 15 Sunday. Cloudy all day misted rain a little and snowed a little after noon.
- 16 Dick Loudon killed his hogs up here. A cloudy chilly day began to sleet and rain a little sometimes—clear moonlight. Sent letter to Julia got letter from her and Patty and Sally.
- 17 Sent letter to Patty—got letters from Sue, Julia and Sally Woolley. Joe hauled fodder and after dinner hauled alfalfa from Mr. Ezra Aylor. Snowing at night.
- 18 A light wet snow on the ground—not cold. Joe only hauled fodder and fed the cattle. Dick was gone. Sent letters to Sue and Belle R. got letters from Hilda and Lizzie Hodges. Gloomy weather.
- 19 28° at sunup—cold all day. Sent letter to Sally, got Shetland Headwrap from Isabella. Went to Bellevue. Got Mike Corbin to cash a check for 10.00 on the Boone Co. Dep. Bk.

- 20 Harry and Susan went over the river for the day. Began to snow about noon—very wet snow that kept on till towards dark. Got letters from Patty and Sally. Sent note to Co. Gentleman Albany N.Y. inclosing 2.00. Got receipt from Mrs. Rouse for fruit salad.
- 21 The anniversary of my darling father's death. Lord love his soul. Sent letter to Sally and Patty and note to Mrs. Rouse. Mr. Sullivan came and bought 9 turkeys 118 lbs. at 11 cts. and gave me a check for 12.98 on People's Dep. Bk. Burlington signed C. E. Clore by Wood Sullivan. I bought a gobbler from Mr. L. Kelly for 2.12 to be paid for. Pd. 23d. Joe, Dick and Willie S. hauled alfalfa from Mr. Ezra Aylor's. Joe said they had hauled 6 loads in all 8865 lbs. Got box of candy from Patty and letter from Hilda.
- 22 Sunday. Cloudy and about noon began to rain hard and rained till night and after—muddy.
- 23 Joe found the cattle had broken into the shed of the new barn where Dick had left his tobacco and one of my best young steers red with white face and head was dead—killed by eating tobacco no doubt. Dick moved the tobacco to the other barn. Sent Harry for Hilda. Sent by Harry little note to Mr. Revill asking him to cash the check for 12.98, see 21st and send me the money which he did. Later sent by Harry 2.12 to Mr. Gene Kelly for Mr. L. Kelly (see 21st). Hilda came down to stay Christmas. Got letter from Julia telling of the fall she had her birthday and one from Belle R. inclosing . Harry brought out the box of presents Patty and Sally sent by Ex. & Swann. Joe took down and bulked a lot of his tobacco in the big barn. Dick Loudon told me he had pooled his tobacco at Mike Corbin's. I[t] rained a little off and on was windy and gloomy.
- 24 Did n't write in this till 26th and have things mixed up. Sent letters to Julia to Sally and to Fanny Lee. Got a lot of Christmas gifts. Harry and Susan went over the river after dinner. Did not forget this day.
- 25 Christmas. Mild spring-like day—got more presents and letter from Patty. Clear sunshine.
- 26 Bright again—got calendar from Susie T. and picture from Fanny G. Did n't write in this till 30th.
- 27 Got letter from Patty. Harry and Susan came home this evening.
- 28 Hilda went home before dinner—it sprinkled.
- 29 Sunday. Ernest, Lily and Frances dined with me. Later Josie and Maud Scott came to see Hilda. Warm.
- 30 Mild—very windy, cloudy and gloomy. Sent letters to Belle R. got letter from Sue in New Orleans and one from Julia. Sent Harry down with horses—he had Hector shod and a shoe put on Cy. Got French book from Sally.
- 31 Colder and bright. Sent letters to Patty, Julia, Fanny G. and Susie T. Got letters from Patty and Fanny Lee. Joe and Willie and Dick and Leeomer hauled alfalfa from Mr. Ezra Aylor's 2 loads. Later they fixed up the calf pen in the shed and sorted out the calves to leave in it. They left the calves of this year and the two Angus steers of last year one of which has white in its head and face—there were 12 in all. They had trouble with one of this year's black calves a steer.