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Martha E. McMillan Journal  
1893

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January 1893

New YearS day. 1893.

"I watched the old moon in its slow decline;  
So pass, Old Year, beyond life's Stormy Sea  
Whate'er the waiting New Year brings to me,  
I Know 'Tis ordered by a hand divine,  
So, fearless, 'mid the wild bells mingled din,  
I ope the door and let the New Year in!"

"A new year dawns upon us:  
Lord great that it may be  
A year of richest blessings.  
Of fellowship with thee;  
A year of full Surrender  
Of all at Jesus feet,  
Of Patient, earnest toiling  
In Thine own Service Saved.  
A year of constant trusting  
My Self, my all, to Thee,  
Thus meeting all the changes  
The coming year may bring,  
While on my pilgrim journey.  
Thy praises I will sing  
And when at length 'Tis ended,  
And pilgrim trials o'ver,  
In nobler Strains I'll Praise Thee  
At Home for evermore."

Sabbath the 1" day of the New Year. Harlan came home last night from his place in Springfield. Clara at home from attending the school there and Homer is home on his vacation from Monmouth College. There along with Clayton and Jason over at Sabbath School this morning and church. Mr Mc at Church alone. Paul and I at home Jordan[?] around. On Last Sabbath evening the last Sabbath of the old years eve began our Sabbath reading in the Book of Genesis and today all of the children excepting Paul read in continuance also took up our lesson for Sabbath School next sabbath. This eve rough & cold. Harlan and Homer at the Young folks meeting and at the hall at the prayer meeting.

2" January. Monday. Snow on the ground. cold. At an early hour Homer left with Harlan and Clara for Springfield- Home again

about two O'clock. he took the clothes to Mrs P. came home\_ and took his company along with others to Walters. Mr Mc around home all day. Jason at home helping me. Clayton at school. Gidieon & Jordan[?] around. Homer in the sleigh this eve.

3" Jan. Tues. Another cold day. Homer came back last night bringing Uncle Joe with him. Allie Barber calling here today. After an early dinner, Mr Mc and Homer left for Xenia. Frank[?] L- called today. She will be back next week. Jason at home helping me- Clayton at School. Jordan & Gidieon around. Mr Mc and Homer reached home after dark. They went in the sleigh today. A party at Barbers. [?]ot 10. Homer earned[?].

3 Jan. Wed. Cold. Sleighing good. Gidieon Uncle Joe and Jordan[?] around. Clayton and Jason both at school. Homer at C. This A.M. and back again this afternoon. Mr Mc good with him to attend the Congregational meeting at the church. He had a letter from Fannie from Pine Bush. She and McKenzie and Donald are well\_ We also had a letter from Fred he and McDonald are going ahead at their work in their printing office. Mr Mc and Homer for [?]een. Homer went away to spend the evening sleigh riding.

4" Jan. Thurs. Cold and blustery. Fast day throughout our church stressing this the week of prayer. It is too cold for me to venture out today again. Mr Mc. Homer and Clayton at Jason at our church. Homer drove to the train to say good bye to Walter Murdock he left this morning for Ida College. Gidieon Uncle Joe and Jordan[?] looking after the stock Paul here with me. Although not at church I remembered the day. Homer did not come home but remained at C. among the friends this afternoon and evening.

5" Jan. Friday. Moderated a little. Uncle Joe Mr Mc Gidieon around. Jordan[?] chopping. Clayton and Jason at school. Paul and I keeping house. This afternoon Uncle Joe at C. Homer walked out. He stayed at Alvin Orrs last night. This eve he went in the sleigh to Selma. Balderage went up to the train & met him there. Old Mr Henderson late of Clinton Co died over at his sons James H is he was 83 years of age. Uncle Sam here awhile this P.M.

6" Jan. Sat. A pleasant winter day. Mr Balderage came home with Homer last night and after a [illegible, 2 words] breakfast Homer took him to C\_ Homer did not get home 'till late this P.M. Mr Mc attended old Mr. Henderson's funeral this morning at Jas Henderson\_ Aunt Mary & Bell and several of the friends there. Rev Mr Warmock conducted the exercises. His remains will be taken to his old home in Clinton Co today and tomorrow they will

be layed in the old family burying ground there. "Dust thou art and to dust thou shalt return" is true of every one of us. This afternoon Mr Mc at C. This eve Homer took Uncle Joe home\_ Sleighing fine.

8" Jan Sabb. A cold winter day. Homer Clayton and Jason at Sabbath School in good time. Mr Mc at preaching. Paul and I home. Jordan[?] around in time for dinner. This afternoon We had our bible reading in the B' 4" chaps of Genesis and catechism. A beautiful peice. "Between the Years" attracted our attention. I will write a few lines right here to help me to remember it.

"A year of days behind us lies,  
A year of mornings fresh and new,  
Whereat we rose to think and do,  
A year of evenings when the sun  
Bidding "good by" with lingering light,  
Saw ever yet some work undone. SC"

I will only write the closing verse which is  
"This year to you, to me, to all-  
If at ~~his~~ it's limit eve shall stand  
Stronger by strength of sinews trained  
To service. If wide ground be gained,  
The year before us rises grand."

This eve Homer at the Young folks meeting and at the hall hearing Rev Thompson of Columbus on the Sabbath question & the hall was crowded. A printer from Columbus stopping with us tonight\_

9" January. Monday. A cold blowing winter day. Homer at C. to tell the folks good bye and to bring Uncle Joe out. After he came back, we took his trunk and after dinner Mr Mc left with him in the Sleigh for Springfield. He went on the evening train with Howard Bratton for to resume his place in Monmouth College. He has only been home for a little over two weeks on his vacation\_ how quickly the time past while he was here and to look forward to the close of this College year to his coming home seems a long Time but it too will hurry along. Mr Mc had a cold ride home reaching here at nine Oclock. Aunt Mary and Bell called here this afternoon. Uncle Joe at C. this P.M. Clayton and Jason at School. They came home to dinner and to tell Homer "good by."

10" Jan. Tues. The coldest day of the year. Jordan[?] trying to husk corn in the barn & Mr Mc Uncle Joe and Gidieon taking care of the stock. Clayton and Jason Jason at school. Paul around the fire. I have been attending to the work as usual.

11" Jan. Wed. Another very cold day. Clayton and Jason at School. Mr Mc Uncle Joe and Gidieon looking after stock. Jordan marking [Illegible] trees. Paul around here with me. Mr Tom Spenser called this A.M. Mr. Frank Spensers married son with us to dinner and to look at stock. Mr Nook here yesterday morning and drove out some stock cattle for Dayton market. Mr. Kyle[?] from C. here this P.M. This afternoon Uncle Joe at the office and at the mill. A poor man from off the pike here for a lunch. Tonite a disagreeable evening.

Thursday 12" Jan. Still cold. Gidieon and Uncle Joe and Mr Mc around. Jordan helping to clean wheat. Gidieon at C. this afternoon with coal for Spenser. Clayton and Jason at school. Will Mc taught today again for Miss Lul[?] S- On yesterday morning Mr and Mrs Morton and Cargills family left for Florida[?]. Mr Mc at C. this afternoon.

13" Jan. Friday. Still very cold. Jordan chopping. Gidieon and Mr Mc and Uncle Joe around. Mr Mc nursing some little pigs by the fire. Mrs Boyd called this P.M. Dave Mc called this afternoon to look after the new church. Late this P.M. Mr. Mc and I at Cedarville\_ We took tea with the sisters. I stopped with Aunt Mary and Grandmother\_ I left Paul with Uncle Joe. Clayton and Jason at School today. When we came home they had stopped. This eve all of us around the lamp\_

Jan. 14" Sat. Another cold day. Mr Mc & Gideon Uncle Joe Clayton and Jason & Jordan around. Paul around too. I have been busy all day. This P.M. Clayton and Jason took Uncle Joe home in the Sleigh and drove out to Uncle Silas's on an errand.

15 January. Sabbath. Below zero this morning. Rev Mr Crawford from the Xenia Seminary preached for us today in Mr. Mortons absence. None of us there but Clayton and he nearly perished with the cold. This afternoon Catechism. This eve we had our Bible reading in Genesis. We have had a quiet Sabbath. This is the twenty Sixth Anniversary of our marriage Eve. It seems to look back like it was away yonder for a half or more of the people that were living then are dead now. And ~~in their places~~ a whole generation has come and taken their places. As the world moves on and these returning Anniversarys Tell us the years are passing by and "eternity is over there."

Monday. 16" Jan. Very cold. Clayton and Jason at School. Mr Mc at home all day with Gidieon and Jason looking after the Stock. Paul here with me. Notwithstanding the cold the sleighs keep passing. Everything quiet at our homes today and evening.

17" Jan. Tues. Clayton and Jason at school. Mr Mc around all A.M. with Gideon. Jordan at C. this A.M. and brought Uncle Joe out. They were here in time for dinner. This afternoon Mr Mc at town to see [Illegible] Osborne & c. It is still cold. Paul around all day as usual.

18" January. Wed. Moderated. Mr Mc At Xenia. Paul and I went with him as far as C- and spent the day with grandmother and Aunt Mary. They were at dinner when we went in. Aunt Bell there this afternoon. I called to see Aunt JaneS and Aunt Roseanna. This Eve Gidieon and Clayton came to town. Clayton stopped at grandmothers for Supper. And Paul and came out home with them. Mr Mc came at a later hour. On last night Jordan took up his abode here. Clayton and Jason at School today. Grandmother seems a good deal better. Uncle Joe and Jason had their supper over and the work done by[?] when we came home.

19" Jan. Thurs. Sleighing fine. not quite so cold. Gidieon sick. Uncle Joe and Jordan and Mr Mc around. This afternoon Mr Mc at town and out at Williamss and Uncle Bighams. Took tea with the latter. Clayton and Jason at School. Paul here with me—we seen[?] a letter from Clara this eve from S-

20" January. Friday. Sleighing time. Clayton and Jason at School. Mr Mc around home all day. Gidieon at his place today. This afternoon Uncle Joe and Jordan at mill at C- Paul around with me.

21" Jan. Sat. Much warmer today. This morning Jordan and ~~Frank~~ Jason at C- This eve Clayton and Jordan made a hasty trip taking Uncle Joe home. Mr Mc around home all day.

21 January Sabbath. Moderated considerably. Jason went to church alone to Sabath school in the sleigh this morning. Mr Mc and I at church. Clayton at home with Paul. jordan around. Rev. Robt Evans from the Xenia Seminary preached for us today in Mr Mortons absence. Yea, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: For it is the power of God unto Salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first: and also to the greek." We had a nice Sermon. This afternoon we heard Claytons and Jasons questions. This Eve Joe had our Bible reading in Genesis.

22" January. Monday. A pleasant winter day. Clayton and Jason at School. Jordan at C- and brought Uncle Joe up. Mr Mc and I left. Paul with Uncle Joe and we went past C- in the Sleigh and took Aunt Bell with us to Springfield. Harlan called at Myer's Stable

to see Bell and me. Clara came around to the store to us this P.M. I got a dark navy blue cloth cloak today. We called to see Mrs. S. this eve. and Aunt Bell and took tea there. it is very bright and Clear tonight. Uncle Joe by the lamp when we came home and <sup>only</sup> three back here asleep by the fire. Frank La[?]nt called here today. As we came home we drove in in to see Mrs Ansey and very unexpectedly Aunt Bell engaged Mrs Scott to come to live with them.

23" January. Tuesday. Clayton and Jason at School. Mr Mc around all A.M. This afternoon he was at C- called at grandmother Murdock's and the sisters. He met Mr Ca[?]s team from Jamestown. Back in in C- Mr Mc home in time for tea. quite a change in the weather from yesterday. Sleighing still continues. Uncle Joe and Gidieon and Jordan around today.

24" January. Wed. Quite a beautiful day. Germa[?] from C. here and killed a beef [Illegible]. A busy day. A number of callers here to see and buy stock cattle. Clayton at C. and brought Germa out. This morning. and Uncle Joe and Jason took him after Supper. The boys at school today. Jordan & Uncle Joe & Gidieon around. This P.M. Mr Mc and Basel called at Brown and Dillons

26" Jan. ThurS. A very bright day. Warm. Snow going off. But towards evening colder. Clayton and Jason at School. Jordan at C- at the dentists this morning. Near noon I drove down in the sleigh to Dillons to see girl- Came back and after dinner. Mr Mc and I drove over to the Y. Springs and vicinity. About the times we reached home and counted up we had gone very near twenty miles in all. We called at Deans to see the sheep and we met Ed Linsons father in law while we were out. When we came home Uncle Joe & co. had supper and work all done. Mr Mc not feeling very well this eve. I did not remember until this evening that this is my birthday.

27" Jan. Friday. Still thawing but sleighs still passing. Clayton at C- and bring up Germa out to finish his work and took him back after School this eve. I have not been well today. Jason at home to help with the work. Jordan husking Gidieon busy. Uncle Joe around. Paul around. This afternoon Mr Mc at C- and up at Mr. Millers. He was home in time for tea.

28" January. Sat. Thawing. Snow going off very fast. Jason at the work in the kitchen. Clayton at C. this morning at Mr Millers and brought the cow home. Jordan at C. too. Mr Mc went to Springfield with a load of stuff for Mrs Stuart. returned after dark. it is clear and very mild. Gidieon at his feeding <sup>all</sup>

day. Uncle Joe looking after things. Jordan in the woods chopping supplies for the wood house. He took Uncle Joe home this evening. This afternoon Frank and his brother called.

29 January Sabbath Still mild & cloudy. Jason at home with Paul. Jordan here. Clayton at Sabbath School and church. Mr Mc and I at church. Rily Little came from the Allegahny Seminary and preached for us today in in Mr. Mortons Absence. he will return to his Studies in the Sem. tomorrow evening. His subject Foreign missions—text "Go ye therefore and teach all nations baptizing them [Illegible symbol] and lo, I am with you always ever to the end of the world." This afternoon spent with Clayton and Jason. We had Catechism and Bible readings. This Eve Jason and I at the R[?].P. church Sermon by Rily L- text "Jesus stood and cried saying if any men thirst let him Come unto me and drink." Mrs. Elderick—daughter of the late David Barber died at her home in Indiana. Her remains will be brought to Cedarville Tuesday.

30 Jan. Monday. A mild gloomy day. Boyd & Co husking Jordan chopping. Gidieon feeding. Clayton and Jason at school. Uncle Silas here and came ~~out~~ with Mr Mc to dinner. This eve Clayton and Gidieon at ~~school~~ town. Uncle Joe came home with them.

31" Jan. Tuesday. Gloomy and ground very damp. Clayton and Jason at school. Jordan in the woods. Gidieon feeding after an early dinner. Mr Mc and I at C- Paul around home with Uncle Joe. I was at grandmother Murdock and Aunt Janes. I also called to see Mary Tarrence. Aunt Jane not well. Then we came home Uncle Joe and boys had supper over. Uncle Joe had quite a large day with Paul. Paul did everything to annoy Uncle Joe he possibly could do. He got up on the table and moved[?] the pedulum of the clock out of place and stopped it\_ fell into the tank\_ took the gun out of its place & started out with it- and so on too grievous to mention.

#### February 1893

1" Feb. Wed. Rain &c Gidieon around. Jordan chopping. This afternoon (ImPigg[?] called this morning) Mr Mc at Selma. Frank Lamont[?] called at noon— took dinner and this afternoon she went with me to Wylie Jone'S to call. When we went we found Several there and was surprised to find him So near to death He is insensible. takes no notices of those around him. Frank with us tonight. Uncle Joe at C. late this P.M Paul with Uncle Joe.



2" February. Thursday Day and very icy. Gidieon and Uncle Joe around & Jordan too. Clayton and Jason at School yesterday and today. Frank walked over home this morning. This afternoon. Mr Mc and I called at Jones. Wylie died this morning at nine O'clock. After staying with them awhile we went to Clifton. Mr Mc called at the paper mill and around. I stopped with Mrs. Daily. Miss Belle not at home. We came home past C\_ and rec ["a" written with quotation marks underneath] a letter from Harlan and Clara and Homer. This has been a very gloomy day. Raining and thawing this eve. The papers are all overflowing with accts of James G Blaines death and funeral. He died at his home in Washington D.C. Jan 27" aged 63 years. One of the greatest Statesman of the age. On Monday Mr Albert Townsley died. Mr John Gillough and Miss Bazel married today.

3 Feb. Friday. Rain tonight. Thawing and freezing both today. Uncle Joe and Gidieon both around & Jordan also. Clayton and Jason at School. This afternoon Mr Mc making Some calls around Clifton. I went with him And stopped at Miss Dailys dress making shop- we reached home at dark. Uncle Joe and boys & c had their supper over. Uncle Dan called yesterday afternoon and Mr Tindal[?] also. This eve Gidieon at C.

4" Feb. Sat Moderated. A bright day but cold. Jordan husking. Uncle Joe and Gidieon away. At eleven oclock Mr Mc and I attended the funeral of Wylie Jones at the Selma Church. Bro Johnstons text "Set thy house in order for thou shall die c We went with them to the cemetery. His body was layed way in the old Black stone[?] graveyard. Uncle Joe and the boys had the work pretty well done up. This afternoon Clayton took Uncle Joe home. We rec ["a" written above quotation marks] a letter from Fannie the plan is for her and Donald to come in June. Willie Forbes called here this eve. Boyd and Hodge around. Gidieon here looking over accts.

5 Feb. Sabb. Moderated. Clayton at home with Paul. Jordan around. Jason at Sabbath School & church. Mr Mc and I at church. Mr and Mrs Morton are home- Mr Morton explained the 23" Psalm beautifully. and Rev Mr Childs from the Xenia Seminary late of Con[?]tville preached. Text "The Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth Say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." This afternoon we had the Catechism & c This Eve the boys busy reading we had our Bible reading also.

6" Feb. Monday. Rain last night and almost constant rain today. Everything on a stand still. Clayton and Jason at School. Mr Mc Gideon and Jordan around. Late this P.M. Mrs Boyd brought Myrtle Hodge down-Myrtle will stay with us awhile-to assist me with the work.

7" Feb. Tuesday. Freezing. Clayton at C. at an early hour with clothes for Mrs P we did not send ~~it~~ last week. Uncle Joe came back with Clayton-both here for breakfast. Jordan chopping Gideon feeding. Mr Charlie Crouse called. Mr Isaac Stuarts man from X- called. Myrtle and I very busy. Uncle Joe at James Henderson's. J.H. McMillan & c to invite them here to dinner tomorrow. Clayton and James at School. Mr Mc around home all day.

8" Feb. Wednesday. Gloomy but not so cold. Our Company all came as follows: Willie McMillan's wife and Uncle Dan, Mr & Mrs J.H. McMillan and nephew Clarence Ichan[?] from Bellefontain and Mr & Mrs Jas Henderson. Uncle Joe and Jordan around. Paul around and waited like a nice boy and eat at the Second table. Mr Mc with the company all day. Myrtle and I busy. We did not forget this was Fannies birth-day and that she is far away from us today.

9" Feb. Thurs. Quite a disagreeable day. Snow and then rain. Creeks are all high-a terrible day on the stock. Gideon Uncle Joe and Jordan and Mr Mc all on the program. Clayton & Jason both at School yesterday and today. Uncle Joe at C. yesterday afternoon. All at home today. Myrtle ironing. I am not feeling well.

10" Feb. Friday. Gloomy but not cold. Jordan put up the hams today. They have been in the brine since the [blank space] of Dec. making [blank space]. Uncle Joe went by way of C. to Springfield this forenoon for Clara. Gideon Jordan and Mr Mc looking after things. Clayton and Jason at School. Myrtle at the work. The Farmers Insitute met at C. at the Opera house today. But I have been on the sick list all day and not able to attend. Mr Robt Tindale called this .P.M. Mrs Boyd called also. Uncle Joe and Clara came home after dark.

11" Feb. Sat. A mild day. but gloomy Gideon Uncle Joe and Jordan & Mr Mc all around. Clara and the boys out skating all morning. This afternoon Mr Mc and I attended the closing session of the Institute. The Opera House packed. After a brief call at the Sisters and Mothers we came home. Clara came down with Uncle Joe and was at the meeting awhile. Uncle Joe stayed in C. and I

rode out with Clara. Clayton & Jason taking care of Paul. Myrtle at the work.

12 Feb. Sabb. A gloomy day. Clara & Clayton at Sabbath School and church. I have been on the sick list today again. Mr Mc at church alone. Jason and Paul at home with me. Myrtle and Jordan around. This Eve Clara and Clayton at the U[?].P. church. Uncle Joe came home with them. Rev Bailey of Clifton preached. Mr Morton preached for us today. This Eve Myrtle and and [sic] Jason read in the Bible.

13" Feb. Monday. A gloomy day Uncle Joe and Clara left at an early hour for Springfield. This afternoon Mr Mc & Co. at Crosses[?] with hoes[?]. Uncle Joe came home at dark. He met Harlan in S- and took dinner with him. This afternoon Aunt Mary and Aunt Bell called awhile. Clayton and Jason at School. Myrtle away. Paul around. This Eve all around the lamp.

14" Feb. Tuesday. Rain last night. And almost constant rain this afternoon. Clayton and Jason at School. Mr John Thomas here with Mr Mc awhile. Uncle Joe and Gidieon around Boyd & Hodge[?] husked until noon. Jordan hauling in corn.

15" Feb. Wed. A gloomy day. Gidieon Uncle Joe and Jordan around. Clayton & Jason at School this afternoon. Mr Mc at Charleston. Myrtle and I busy. Paul in the house today waiting for his new tools. So he can get out. Mr Mc at home after dark.

Feb. 16" ThurS. Pleasant today. Clayton and Jason at School. Mr Mc and Frank at Xenia Gidieon taking care of the stock. This afternoon Uncle Joe at C. Aunt Bell here awhile this afternoon. Myrtle began cutting carpet rags this afternoon. Mr Mc & Frank at home after dark. We rec ["d" above quotation marks] letters from Fannie and Homer this eve. Homer has got a position at the worlds fair. Donald is quite a boy now.

17" Feb. Friday. Quite a rough day. Snowing blowing sleet and freezing. Jordan began papering the sitting room this P.M. Clayton and Jason at School. The washing came from Mrs. P. and Myrtle and I <sup>have</sup> done the ironing. This afternoon Mr Mc at Williams and at Uncle Bighams took tea with Uncle B- Mr Mc did not get home until after dark.

18" Feb. Sat. Still a disagreeable day. Jordan removed all of the old paper and put on the new. finished the job today and we moved back into the sitting room this eve. Mr Mc and boys and

Gidieon and Uncle Joe all busy. Myrtle and I busy. This Eve Gidieon took Uncle Joe home.

19" Feb. Sabb. More pleasant but quite windy. The ground covered with Snow and ice. Myrtle at her home most of the day. Clayton at home with Paul. Frank around. Jason rode horse back to church & was there in Time for Sabbath School. Mr Mc and I at church. Mr Mortons text "Ye are Complete in him." No matter what our weakness and dificiency is if we are united to Christ. He will make up every lack. Our duty is not determined by our own strength or fitness but by the infinite fulness of the Lord Jesus. There is no trouble or temptation so great but he can deliver me. He supplies the defects of our character. In ourselves we are all wrong but in Christ we are all right. We are complete whole & perfect when united to him. Christ also supplies the defects in our work. There is grace and Strength enough in Christ at our disposal to fit us for every work. Let us not forget that amid our hard work and environments we have the presence and blessings of that dear Savior. He supplies the defects in the trials of life. He supplies all our wants in life and in death and through all eternity. This afternoon I heard the Catechism This eve Myrtle read with them in the 5" chap of Matthew. On last Sabbath eve they passed from Genesis to the book of Matthew for Myrtles benefit.

20" Feb. Monday. A winter day. Clatyon at C. early this morning <sup>for</sup> Uncle Joe. he and Jason at School. Jordan nearly completed papering the bed room. Myrtle and I busy. Gidieon at his work. Mr Mc around home all day. This eve all around the lamp. Paul around as normal.

21" Feb. Tues. Quite a rough day. Almost constant snow. cold & blowing. Clayton and Jason at School. Mr Mc and Uncle Joe and Jordan and Gidieon all around. Myrtle at her work I have been busy. Paul around the fire. This P.M. Jordan at mill and at the office.

22" Feb. Wed. Snow on the ground. Clayton and Jason at School This P.M. Uncle Joe at C\_ home a little after dinner to stay with Paul and Myrtle while Mr Mc and I were over at Clifton. I called at Belle Dailys. We came home past Uncle Big-hams and made a short call there. When we came to town we signed some Howard Lane[?] documents at Squire Osborns. We took tea with grandmother and Aunt Mary. Mr Mc called at George Williams they moved into town from Uncle Bighams place today. I spent the evening with grandmother while Aunt Mary was at prayer meeting.

We expressed a package to Monmouth today for the benefit of our sons.

23" Feb. ThurS. Thawing. Mr Mc went by way of Wm Haines[?] to Hasylop's[?] Sale. This afternoon Clayton at home with Paul and Myrtle. Jason at School all day. Uncle Joe attended Mrs Tom Pindals funeral at the M.E. Church. And I attended the Womens Missionary SoC at our Church. After the meeting I made Some calls around C. Mr Mc came home early this eve in self defence. he went in the sleigh and the Snow was fastly disappearing. Jordan & Boyds & co. at Jamestown tonight. Myrtle busy. Uncle Dan called this P.M.

24" Feb. Friday. A gloomy day. Jason at School. Clayton went with Mr Mc to Hayslops[?] beyond Clifton for Jersy cows. Uncle Joe at C. at the shop. Myrtle and I busy. Jordan came home this eve.

25" Feb. Sat. Sunshine most of the day. It Snowed a little last night Clayton at C. at the shop and & this A.M. Uncle Joe and Gidieon & Jordan all busy. Mr Mc at Selma this afternoon. This afternoon Myrtle went home to be ready for their dance tonight. Mr Mc at Selma. I have been very busy. Gidieon took Uncle Joe home.

26" Feb. Sabbath. A nice day. Clayton at Sabbath School and church. Mr Mc & I at church. Jason at home with <sup>Paul</sup>. Myrtle came this morning she and Jordan around. The Hon Mr Day gave us quite a Bible talk on the Sabbath. Mr Morton explained the Psalm & c. This afternoon we had the catechism. This Eve Bible reading Mr Mc and I at the U.P. church tonight and heard Mr Day on the Sabbath question again. He is a power.

27" Feb. Monday. A mild day. A general thaw. Uncle Joe came up with Uncle Dan this morning. Clayton and Jason at School. Jordan at his new building for a sheep shelter. Gidieon taking car of the stock. Myrtle at her work. Mr Mc and I left Paul in Uncle Joes care and went to Springfield to attend the Chapman revival. We reached there at noon and Stopped with Mrs Stuart for dinner. In the afternoon Clara and Mrs S- went with us to the meeting at the [illegible, blotted out] Presbyterian church. In the eve we took tea with Mrs S- and she and Clara and all her family attended the meeting at the City hall which was one densly packed mass of human beings. Mr Chapmans subject. The Holy Spirit.

28" Feb. Tuesday. A mild day. Mr Mc and I returned from S- at one Oclock this morning. without being overly fatigued. At the latter part of our journey it came on a little shower. Paul slept with Uncle Joe last night Uncle Joe at Xenia today. Clayton and Jason at School this afternoon Myrtle went with Mrs Boyd to C. & will not be back until the morning. Mr Mc at C. he called to see Mr & Mrs Williams. Gidieon at Selma at the mill most of the day. Jordan at his new building.

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1" March Wed. A mild day\_ but quite muddy. Mr Mc and Frank <sup>Jordan[?]</sup> away all day at Houstons[?] for lumber. Myrtle and I busy all day. Clayton and Jason at School. Uncle Joe and Gidieon around\_ This Eve Gidieon & Uncle Joe and Clayton at C\_ [illegible] moved up the pike this Eve to the old Wright home.

2" March. ThurS. A mild day. Jordan[?] at his shed. Gidieon and Uncle Joe around. Mr Mc at C. and at Mrs Jas Barbers Sale. I left Paul with Myrtle and I called to see Aunt Rachel. also to see Mr Mortons. and very briefly with Grandmother & c Clayton and Jason were at School today. Gidieon here looking over accts this afternoon or evening.

3 March. Friday. A mild day. Jordan[?] hauling lumber from Mitchels. Uncle Joe trimming fruit trees\_ Gidieon feeding. Clayton and Jason at School. This afternoon we left Paul with Myrtle and Mr Mc and went to Xenia. I called to see Mr J.C. McMillan. He is quite feeble. We spent a little time at the late Fred Smith store with Mr McCam[?]. made some purchases. We reached home a little after dark\_

4" March. Sat. Snowing most of the day. We are back into winter again. Jason chopping. Uncle Joe & Gidieon and Mr Mc around all day. Boyd called\_ Clayton took Uncle Joe down home\_ Myrtle and I busy today.

5" March Sabb. A light Snow on the ground. freezing. Jason at Sabbath School- And church. Clayton at home with Paul. Myrtle and Frank around\_ Mr Mc and I at church. Mr MortonS text "And he Said, thus saith the Lord, Make the vally full of ditches. For thus Saith the Lord, Ye shall not see wind, neither shall ye see rain; yet that vally shall be filled with water, that ye may drink both ye and your cattle and your beasts."

The subject of this text Ditch digging for how the water of life may be Secured. How can a languishing heart be revived. In

this text we have the mans side. on the nature of the work we have to do. Dig up the ditches\_ or open up the channels that the water of life may flow in. Our hearts need to be opened up. Open up the channels of your heart and the Lord will fill them. Open up the channels to receive the blessing and the blessing will come If you want a blessing prepare the way and the Lord will Send it. The reason is that there is such a feeble flow of the grace and Spirit of God into our hearts is because our hearts are so full of the world of Selfishness and Sin that there is no room for the spirit to come in. The church is a vally which God directs us to make full of ditches. Our channel which needs to be opened up is the channel of faith. Put Strong faith into a men and he is able to do anything. Another channel that is to be opened up is persevering work for Christ. Our Country is a vally which the Lord directs us to make full of ditches that his blessings may flow into upon[?] our country. Lastly the encouragement. The valley shall be filled with water. When we obey God the blessing comes\_ We have hearts that are full of Sin hard and filled with all evil. but when they are warmed & renewed by the power and Spirit of God then we can triumph over the world the flesh & the devil. This afternoon Catechism & Bible reading. Myrtle read with Clayton & Jason in the Bible.

6" March. Monday. A mild day. A telegram came from the solders Home telling us of the death our old English gardner George Cooper. His funeral today at one Oclock. but it was not convenient for Mr Mc to go over. Uncle Joe came out this morning but went back to a meeting of the Trustees. Mr Mc around home all day. Jordan[?] at Mitchels for lumber this P.M. Clayton and Jason at School. Paul around. Myrtle in the Kitchen. I have been sewing today.

7" March Tues. Almost a Spring day. Clayton took Mr Mc to the Selma train to go to London to the Sale. Jason at School Clayton at home today. Jordan[?] at Mitchels mill for lumber. Uncle Joe came out with him. A peddler here to dinner. Miss Martha McCallum[?] buried this forenoon at eleven Oclock. She was one of our sisters in our church\_ one of the excellent of the earth. Frank took the buggy up to Selma for Mr Mc and went from there to Elders[?] & c Mr Mc took dinner today at Mr John Mitchels and did not get to see Mr Ph[???]. Mr Tindal went up with Mr Mc this morning.

8" March. Wed. Raining a little all day. Clayton at C. this morning and brought Aunt Jane and Matt out to spend the day. On yesterday Eve Uncle Joe and Jason were at C. to see Aunt Janes to make arrangements for them to come today. Jordan[?] working

on his new building. Uncle Joe and Gidieon around. Clayton and Jason at School. Mr Mc at Cains Sale. took dinner there with Mr Cooper & others. After school this eve Clayton took Aunt Jane down home. Myrtle busy today.

9" March. Thursday. Sprinkled rain all day. Paul and I at grandmother Murdocks for dinner. Aunt Mary busy. I left Paul there while I called to see Mrs Thompson Crawford. She is not well this winter. The W.C.T.U.s held their monthly meeting at grandmothers this afternoon. About twenty present. Mr Mc at the Y. Springs this afternoon. They are taking the Old Neff house down. Clayton and Jason at School. Uncle Joe and Jordan[?] around.

10" March. Friday. A mild day. Mrs Ansley called this afternoon. Uncle Joe trimming trees in the orchard. Jordan[?] working on his sheep shed. Gidieon at C. this afternoon for lumber. Clayton and Jason at School. Paul around. Myrtle and I busy. Mr Mc at Mitchel Collins this afternoon. He expected to have gone for Clara and Helen H. but the bad roads prevented him.

11" March. Sat. Raining most of the day. Jordan[?] began his [illegible] fence. Gidieon & Uncle Joe around. Mr Mc at home all day. Near noon Clayton at C. on an errand. Jason & Paul around. Myrtle busy. This Eve Clayton and Jason took Uncle Joe home. Jas Boyd here on his way to town Jordan[?] went to Selma and took the evening train for Columbus to visit his parents. On the 4" Grover Cleveland took his Seat in the White house & Benjamin Harrison went out.

12 March. Sabb A mild day. but gloomy. Myrtle went home and was away all day. Jason and I at home with Paul. Clayton rode the Pony to Sabbath School and Mr Mc went alone to church. Had Sermon by Rev Morton as usual. This afternoon spent with the children.

13" March. Monday. Frank came back from Columbus yesterday Eve and went to Charleston for lumber today. Uncle Joe at C. this P.M. looking for Benjamin. Mr Mc at Charlie Marshals Sale this afternoon. Clayton and Jason at School. I sent the clothes to Mrs P. Myrtle and I busy. I have rheumatism in my arm these days.

14" March. Tuesday. A blustery day Clayton and Jason at School. Gidieon hauling in corn & feeding Jordan[?] making [illegible] fence. Uncle Joe at C. this afternoon. Mr Mc at [illegible]



Hollingworths sale this afternoon. Myrtle at her work Paul around. I have been Sewing.

15" March. Wed. Snowing and blowing and quite cold. Jordan[?] chopping. Gidieon feeding. Mr Mc and Uncle Joe and Clayton at School. Jason did not go until noon he was not feeling well this morning. Mr Mc called at Mr J.H. McMillans tenant house. but the family had not moved in yet. Paul around the fire today. I have put in a full day sewing. A County prohibition Convention at Jamestown today. Aunt Mary & Bell and Mr and Mrs Morton went over.

16" March. Thurs. A nice day\_ Mr Mc and Jordan[?] at the Springs today to look at the lumber in the Old Neff[?] building. Jordan[?] came home Paul[?] Mitchels mill in C. Uncle Joe took me to C. this morning to spend the day at Grandmothers while Aunt Mary & Bell & Matt attended a meeting of the W.C.T.U.s at Spring Valley. He came back home and kept Paul all day. Myrtle busy. Clayton & Jason at School. <sup>Grand</sup>Mother and I by ourselves most of the day. Mr Morton called. In the evening Maggie Pidge[?] and Mattie[?] and Lizzie Wilson came there for tea and to spend the night. Aunt Mary returned from the meeting on the five Oclock train. A Kansas lady spoke on the Temperance question at the hall. I stayed and went with the folks to the meeting.

17" March. Friday. A bright day. I stayed last night at grandmother Murdocks. None of the folks came to the meeting. I was invited with the crowd to Aunt Bells to dinner. but Clayton came for me and I said good bye to the company and came home. Paul was glad to see me. and said he wanted me to stay with him now. Jason at School today. This afternoon Clayton went with his father to Oscar Masons and came home by Selma I have been busy sewing. Jordan[?] working on his sheep building.

18" March. Sat. A nice day. Clayton & Jason at Selma\_ Mr Mc went up at a later hour-all home to dinner. Gidieon at his feeding. Jordan[?] at his building. Uncle Joe around we put the hams [illegible] away in Sacks today. Mrs Boyd called. and brought the mail from C- Clayton took Uncle Joe down this P.M. Myrtle and I busy today.

19" March Sabb. A gloomy day. Myrtle & Jordan[?] away most of the day. Clayton at home with Paul alone. Jason rode the Pony to Sabbath School. Mr Mc and I at church. Mr Mortons text "And God said unto Jacob. Arise go up to Bethel and dwell there: and make there an altar unto God, that appeared unto thee when thou

fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother. Then Jacob said unto his household, and to all that were with him put away the strange gods, that are among you, and be clean and change thy garments."

The subject of text. Drawing near to God.

1" Our duty. What is our duty. 1" Go up to Bethel or to the house of God. What was Bethel to Jacob.

It was at Bethel where Jacob met with God and where he saw the ladder that reached from earth to heaven. It was at Bethel where he had such a glorious Communion Season with God\_ It was at Bethel when he vowed to give God the tenth. When God Says unto us Go up to Bethel It means to go up and pay our vows. It is in the house of God where we find the Lord Jesus where we meet God and see heaven open. We are to make Bethel or the house of God our home. Love its sermons its people its principles\_ its service. \_Build there an altar and serve God. Sometimes we neglect the prayer\_ meeting and the business meeting of the church and leave it to others to do. When we do this Christ is displeased and says arise and go to Bethel. The Savior calls us to active Service. If we Serve Christ it will cost us something but it will cost us a great deal more if we do not Serve him. The preparation for this duty. Put away the strange Gods. Be clean and change your garments. Put away the world. and your want of love and charity for others. Every [illegible, 2 words] sin we indulge in is a strange God. We are to purify our hearts and lives. To be clean and change our garments is to have pure hearts and characters To change our garments is have a pure life and behavior Cease to do evil\_ Learn to do well. This after-noon spent with Clayton and Jason. Bible reading this eve\_

20" March. Monday. A mild day Still a little cold. Mr Mc left his "rig" & c with Uncle <sup>Joe</sup> and went with Uncle Silas from C. to Springfield. they took dinner with Harlan. Mr Mc called to see Clara. Mr Mc did not reach home until sometime after dark. Uncle Joe came with ~~them~~ <sup>him</sup>. The doors of the Stormont and McElroy house are closed these day. Uncle Joe around there today. Jason at School. Clayton at home. he went to C. on an errand this afternoon\_ Frank at his building Gideon taking care of his stock\_ Myrtle busy. I have been sewing all day. This was Claytons birthday. He is thirteen. the time is passing—"The boys of today are the men of tomorrow."

Tuesday 21" March. Rained nearby all day. Mr Mc and Uncle Joe around all day. Jordan[?] at his building. Gideon at his work. Clayton and Jason as School. Paul in the house today. Myrtle and I busy.

22" March. Wednesday. Mr Mc and Paul called at cousin Harveys tenant house this A.M. Uncle Joe and Clayton at C. today at mill. They brought Fannies and Donalds pictures. Donalds Cabinet is grand. Jason at School. Jordan[?] & Gidieon busy.

23" March ThurS. A mild day Jason at School. Jordan[?] & Uncle Joe & s busy. Mr Mc at Selma this afternoon at Calverts. This Eve Clayton and I were at the post office and called at Orrs to see about the childrens meeting at the church. Myrtles sisters here most of the day. Myrtle away last night and returned this morning.

24" March. Friday. Fast day in our church previous to our communion. Mr Mc and Clayton and I at church. & Uncle Joe <sup>also</sup>. Myrtle and Jordan[?] here. Paul at home with Jason. Rev Mr McKinley of Cincinnati preached for us. Text "How amiable are thy tabernacles O Lord of hosts." First it is amiable because of its equality & completeness. A sense of permanency that it gives Another thing that makes the house of God lovely is its companionship. and because it gives work to every man and every man for a work. The House of God is delight for it is there where we assemble to worship God.

Uncle Joe came back with us this eve. Jordan[?] and Gidieon around all day. This day has been Solemnly only kept. Clayton and Jason and I read the first three chapters of the Epistle of John.

25" March. Saturday. A pleasant day but gloomy. Jason took an invitation to Rev Mr McKinney to come home with us to tea this eve. Uncle Joe left at an early hour for Springfield for Clara. They got to the church in time for the two Oclock meeting. Jordan[?] left this morning for Columbus. Boyd here looking over accts this P.M. Mr Mc and Clayton and I at church. Rev Mr McKinney text "While Peter thought of the vision the Spirit saith unto him "Behold three men seek thee." Remember whenever any duty or obligation rest upon you it is sent at the right time. It is Gods time. Gods revelation always comes at the right time. The vision not only came at the right time but came to the right man. The connection between our vision and our work. Gods truth needs to be believed. Man has two great powers. The power of knowing and the power of loving[?]. If you have seen the Lord will you be content. or will you go out to meet those whose lives are pressing upon your life. The man who has not Seen God and does not know duty is keeping the light out of some other life. We need men who are quick to hear the voice of God. What is a vision? A vision is a practical every day affair. It may come in a revelation\_ or in a verse of Scripture\_ or a

Sermon\_ or Some new thought or light thrown in upon your path\_ Our duty is to hear and to carry out into active life. what God reveals or makes known to us\_ "Walk in the light as he is in the light" and above all things seek to teach a dying word around you that "the blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth us from all sin." Mr McKinney came home with us for tea and spent the evening. Uncle Joe remained in town. Mr Mc and Clara and Clayton Jason and Paul all here. we had a nice tea and a pleasant evening. Harlan came around on the train from S\_ this eve\_ When Mr Mc took Mr McKinney down to Mr Mortons Harlan came home with him.

26" March Sabbath. A pleasant day. Clayton at home with Paul. Myrtle here. I went to the ten Oclock prayer meeting with Harlan Clara and Jason. We had a good meeting Mr Mc came to church alone. Rev Mr McKinney preached. Text. "Pilate saith, I find in him no fault at all" Jesus before Pilate\_—Envy is a malignant passion and Reeps no holidays there come a time in every life when we are cor-nered and must do something with Jesus. He will trouble you if you do not decide this matter wisely he will trouble you. What will you do with Jesus will you take him or will you turn him over to some one else. There is only one way to do with Jesus so that he will not trouble you and that is for you to take him into your heart and accept him as your Savior. We notice that when ~~Pilate~~ <sup>Jesus</sup> was before Pilate that he did not look at Jesus but Jesus looked at Pilate. Let us never forget that Jesus is looking at us. let us look at him. [Smeared "When"] No matter where we are let us never forget that we can not get away from Jesus. he is looking at us he follows us with his eye. let us seek his blessing and guidance. Christ comes to every life and gives them great opportunities\_ ~~o~~ loving and accepting him & serving him.

Afternoon The Lords Supper. Mr Morton said in order to come acceptably to the Lords table we need right views of our Selves. and correct view of Christ. We need to Study christ character. his work and his Salvation that we may be drawn to Christ. Let us not forget when at the Lords table that Christ is looking at us. looking into our hears. and lives. After preaching Clara went home with Aunt Mary & took dinner with her and grandmother Murdock. This Eve Jason at home with Paul. Myrtle here with them. Mr Mc and Harlan and Clayton and I at church. Mr McKinneys text "Until the day break the shadows flee away." When we bury our dead it is only until the day break and the shadows flee away. He had a good Audience and a good Sermon. Clara came home with us and Harlan stayed with Balderage to be ready for the first train in the morning to go back to his place in Springfield.

27 March. Monday. A mild day. Mr Mc and I at the closing services of our communion. Rev Mr McKinneys text "Because the Sons of Jonadab the son of Rekab have performed the commandment of their father which he commanded them: but this people hath not hearkened unto me: therefore thus saith the Lord God of hosts the God of Iseral Behold I will bring upon Judah and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem all the evil that I have pronounced against them: because I have spoken unto them and they have not heard: And I have called unto them, but they have not answered &c"

Let us remember that God reigns. God is on the throne. The claim of God upon you out rules every other claim\_ To be sensible and alive to this thought as we should will mend all that is wrong in the home state or church or the world.

Mr Morton in his closing remarks said we need to work for our selves we need to be right\_ Our hearts need to be right. We need to work in our homes. Our homes are not literally Bethels as they should be\_ Our children are not Serving the Lord as they should. They are not working in the prayer meeting as they should. nor in the Sabbath School nor the town nor the Community. Neither are we as fathers and Mothers doing what we might if we were more consecrated more in earnest.

After the meeting Mr Mc and I took dinner with Uncle Silas and Aunt Mollie <sup>at</sup> ~~with~~ Grand-mother Murdocks and Aunt Marys. Clara Clayton Jason and Paul at home. there was a mistake about them not going to church today. Myrtle here as usual. Gidieon at the work\_

28" March. Tuesday. A bright day. Jason at School. Uncle Dan called this morning Mr Mc and Gidieon sowing Clover-"in the Gra[?]"- In the afternoon Myrtle went up home\_ On yesterday Eve Clara and Clayton took the clothes to Mrs P\_ This afternoon Mr Mc and Clara called at Mr Marion Hildmans to see Miss Road- armer[?]. they were at Selma. This Eve. Clara Clayton and Jason were at the Opera house at the Damarist[?] Contest. Jennie Morton took the prize. Clayton and Jason came home alone at ten Oclock\_ and Clara stayed all night- with Blanch and Mary. Jason at school today.

29" March. Wed. A nice day. Mr Mc left at an early hour and went with Uncle Silas from C. to Springfield to attend the closing out sale at myers Livery Stable. Uncle Joe brought the buggy out and Aunt Jane came out with him and spent the day and this eve they went down again and Mr Mc and Clara came home. Clara took dinner with grandmother Murdock and Aunt Mary at Aunt Bells. Uncle Joe stayed in C\_ tonight. he was cleaning in the yard today. This P.M. I called to see Mrs Brown at Cousin Harveys

place on Clifton road. also at Mrs Piggs for the clothes. Myrtle busy. I began setting hens for the first today. Clayton at home attending to work\_ Gidieon feeding. Mrs Henshoe[?] & s[?] Jones Sister called.

30 March Thursday. A blustery day. Clayton and Gidieon and Mr Mc busy. Jason took me to Mr Hildmans and from there out to Roadarmers to see Miss R- but we missed seeing her as she had gone to Fred WilsonS- We reached home in time for dinner. This P.M. Jason at School\_ I attended the Missionary meeting at the Prayer meeting room. I was appointed to lead the meeting but was so hoarse with cold I could harld[?] speak\_ after the meeting I called grandmothers & c Uncle Joe came out at noon. I am nearly sick with Cold.

31" March. Friday. A gloomy day but not cold. At an early hour Gidieon and Clayton left for Springfield with turnips Jason at home to help Uncle Joe and Mr Mc with the work. This afternoon Clara and I attended Mrs Irons Mother's meeting at the hall. and the childrens meeting at four Oclock. I talked with her a little while this eve. Clara stayed in C. I came home and took up the duties for the dining room and Kitchen Myrtle having walked out for the eve. Mrs Irons here speaks this eve again but I was too tired to go. The butcher have for fat cow. Mr Mc & Clayton and Jason helped drive it down.

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1" April. Saturday. Rain this morning. I took Jason and Paul with me and called at J.H.Ms tenant house. After we came home Mr Mc went to Xenia. Uncle Dan called this P.M. and Uncle Joe went home with him. Myrtle and I busy. Clayton and Jason around home this afternoon Clayton and Gidieon at C. this eve Clayton took me up to see Miss Roadarmer[?]. Clara and Blanch and Mary were at Jamestown at Mr Pidgeons today. Clara came home with her father this eve\_ Ladys coalt is dead.

"Easter Sunday" 2" April. Sabbath. Pleasant. Clara Clayton and Jason at Sabbath School. and church. Mr Mc at church. Paul and I at home. Mr Morton preached today as usual. After preaching Clara went to Aunt JaneS and will be there tonight. Clayton & Jason Said [illegible] lesson A German from off the pike here to lunch and with us tonight.

3" April Monday. A bright day. Ben Irvin[?] came this morning and began work. Our german trimmed the Raspberries and grapes. Irvin began plowing in the field next <sup>the</sup> house. Gidieon took the family over to his fathers yesterday and came home this morning.

This afternoon Mr Mc at C\_ at the election\_ Clayton at C. this P.M. Jason at school. Clara and Paul and I at Clifton to see Miss Daily. We met Frank there. This eve all here. Clara came home with Uncle Dan this morning.

4" April. Tuesday. A bright day. Clayton in the field with Irvin plowing all day, Clara at C. this morning. Our German finished the pruning and white washed the cave. at noon. Gideon taking the patent[?] fence up to Bazels\_ This after noon at four O'clock Clayton came in and Uncle Joe took his place. and after an early tea he and Clara went to C. to the meeting at the church. Had quite a program for the evening. Opening the [illegible] to help with our new church the principle feature— 42 dollars were raised in this way\_ They did not get home until ten. Mrs Henshoe[?] & Clara here.

5" April. Wed. A real Spring day. Clara at Clifton this morning for Frank Lamont. She expected also to get Miss Daily but failed\_ Myrtle Hodge was faithful until Frank came when she bid us good bye. Mr Mc & Paul and Jason took sheep up to the pasture. Polly has a colt. Frank Irvin and Clayton plowing all day. Uncle Joe and Gideon around. This afternoon I went to town awhile\_ I called to see Mary C\_ & Mrs M\_ home in time for tea.

6" April Thurs. A gloomy day. Irvin & Clayton plowing. Uncle Joe and Gideon around. Mr Mc around home all day. Clara at C\_ She went with Uncle Dan. and brought the Lorrie back this eve. he and Aunt Jane and Matt were at Mrs McColleens. This eve Mr Mc and I at the parlor Social at Mr Brothertons. Mrs Dr Pearne from X. gave us a talk. We had a pleasant evening.

7" April. Friday. Quite blustery. Clara at C. at Miss Horns[?] shop to try dress\_ came home bringing Aunt Jane with her\_ This afternoon I attended a W.C.T.U. meeting at Mrs Mortons. Aunt Jane and Clara went back with me. Blanch came home with Clara and me. Clara attended her "first" party tonight. Walter came up here and took her and Blanch to Jennie Mortons party. there were several there. Mr Mc at [illegible] Collins today one of his horses met with an accident. Cal Wilson died Wednesday morning. He was fifty three years old. Jason at home today. Jason at home today.

8" April. Sat. A gloomy day. Uncle Joe and Gideon & Irvin & Clayton planting potatoes. Frank and I busy. Paul and Jason around. Mr Mc at C\_ this afternoon and Clara came out with him. This Eve Gideon took Uncle Joe home.

9" April. Sabbath. A shower last night. A gloomy day. Clara, Clayton and Jason at Sab. School & church\_ Paul at home with Frank. Mr Mc and I at church. "Hold <sup>that</sup> fast which thou hast. that no man take thy crown". was Mr Mortons text- Subject the Christians Crown. The persons whose Crown specified in the word of God. There is the Martyrs crown or the Suffers [sic] crown. which is the Crown of Life. It is for those who endure trials. hardships and are faithful unto death Mr Morton said I have long since made up my mind to expect trials and enimies[?] and hardships all through the wilderness until we come to the heavenly city. but blessed be God their [sic] is a home a rest and a crown awaiting us there. Next There is the workers Crown\_ awaiting those who are engaged in the Lords service. Paul said I have fought the good fight & c and their [sic] "is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord the righteous Judge shall give me at that day"&c There is the Crown of the ransomed- the crown of glory. When the sin and temptation and vexations and discouragements and the Struggle of life is ever their [sic] is a crown awaiting us. there is peace and joy and rest & never ending blessed-ness\_ world without end. Amen. Clara gave Mr Morton one of Dr Chapmans books to read last week. And when Mr Morton announced his text he said most of the thoughts had been suggested to him by reading one of Dr Chapmans book. "The Ivory Palaces of the King." This afternoon Clayton and Jason and I had the Catechism. and Sabbath School lesson for next Sabbath\_ A Psalm and Bible reading. Clara is a faithful Bible reader\_ for her self. now.

10 April Monday. After an early dinner Mr Mc went by way of C\_ with Clara to Springfield to resume her Studies in the School there. She has been at home since the 25" of March\_ Mr Mc went with Harlan to Supper- and did not get home until late. Jason at home today again and went to C. this after-noon and brought Uncle Joe out. Irvin came out last night and he and Gidieon & Clayton putting in the oats. in field next to the house. Frank and I busy. Paul around all day. Mr Hatton[?] called. Martha Bull[?] is dead\_ her remains brought to C\_ today. Mr John Ewing buried today also. Rain last night and gloomy and cool today.

11" April Tuesday. Rain most of the day. I have been busy putting away old papers and things away preparatory for house cleaning. On yesterday eve they had a meeting at the School house Mr Haney[?] Kyle elected to the office of director under the new law. Mr Mc Uncle Joe and all around home\_ not much being done Bazel called this afternoon. Frank at her[?] work.\_ Jason at School today.



12" April. Wednesday. Gloomy The ground damp. Gidieon & Irvin and Uncle Joe around. Mr Mc at home all day. Jason at School. Clayton and Paul here. Frank and I busy. Mr Payton[?] called this afternoon.

Thursday 13" April. Pleasant. Jason at Selma Gidieon & Irvin brought in the last load of corn\_ and have been busy in the Orchard cleaning it up. Uncle Joe and Clayton looking after things. Frank taking care of the house. Jason at School. Mr Mc at BrySonS Sale and at Xenia. Paul and I went with him to C\_ and stayed at grandmothers. Aunt Mary & Bell & Matt[?] at a district Convention of the W.C.T.Us. at the Y. Springs. Grandmother there alone This afternoon Uncle Joe came to town and Paul went home with him-and was here waiting for us when we got here at dark\_ Clayton at C. when Mr Mc came to tell him that one of the cows were sick. I had a nice day with grandmother\_ We got Claras dress from Mary Homes[?] shop this eve. Twelve little chickens off\_

14" April. Friday. Too damp to plow. Gidieon & Irvin in the orchard cleaning up. Mr Mc and Uncle Joe and Paul and Clayton around. Jason at School. Frank and I ironed.

15" April. Sat. Snow last night and winter again today. Mr Mc and Gidieon Irvin Uncle Joe Jason and Paul around among the sheep. and putting up poles for a new [illegible] Frank at her work. At an early hour Clayton and I left for Springfield. We took dinner at Mrs Stuarts. Harlan called there to See me. We took Clara's dress up to her. We reached home at six Oclock. Gidieon took Uncle Joe home.

16" April Sabb. Cold. but yet it is Spring. Frank and Paul at home alone. Clayton and Jason at Sabbath School and church alone. Mr Mc and I at church. Mr Mortons text "And almost all things are by the law purged, and without shedding of blood is no remission." The Subject of text. The efficacy of the blood of the Lord Jesus. What is it that prepares us for coming into Gods presence with acceptance. It is only those who are washed from their sins in his blood that can come. The doctrine of Salvation by the shedding of blood lies at the very bottom of Salvation\_ here we touch the solid rock the very foundation principle God has layed. The shedding of blood is the only ground of safety. for without the shedding of blood there is no remission. The Shedding of blood for the remission of Sin is A universal remedy. It saves all Sorts of person's from all Sorts of sin. There is demon in human shape that the blood of Christ can not

make clean. To be saved we must have a personal interest in the Lord Jesus. He must be our Savior resting and abiding in him. This afternoon Frank went over home. The children and I had the first of our special meetings. Mr Mc here around the fire. Irvin came this eve\_ I read Talmadges Easter Sermon "The Awakening of the Sleepers".

Monday. 17" April. The ground damp. Clayton at C. for Uncle Joe. he and Irvin at the grape Arbor[?] until noon. This afternoon getting ready for the Sheep washing. Jason at School. Mr Mc Across at Wood Warners[?]. I went to Uncle Silas This P.M. I took tea at Grandmothers and Aunt Mary rode out with me\_ Mr Mc and Clayton and Jason at the School house to hear Happy[?] Best and Son. Frank here as usual. Pleasant this Eve.

18" April. Tuesday. Rained a little & gloomy. Mr Mc around looking for pasture this morning. Gidieon & Irvin finished cleaning up the Orchard. Aunt Jennette and Uncle Bigham here to dinner. This afternoon Gidieon at Charleston for lumber. Mr Mc left Uncle Joe to entertain Mr H\_ and he went too. Frank busy today. Jason at School. Clayton at Clifton early this morning. Mr Mc called at Kitchens this eve. [Written in margins: "18" Wood Warner[?] called."]

19 April Wednesday. A cold damp day. Jones here getting Sheep ready for pasture\_ here all day. Britten[?] from C. here and papered the dining room. Gidieon, Irvin & Uncle Joe doing what they can. Mr Mc around. Clayton & Paul around. Jason at School. Our men here to dinner. & Jones for supper\_ Clayton brought Mr Britten out this morning and took him back this eve. Frank and I busy. Miss Mc called. On the morning of the 11" Freds[?] & McDonalds printing office came near burning down.

Thursday 20" April. Rained last night and nearly all day. Gidieon & Irvin building fence and sawing wood. Clayton at C. at mill this P.M. Mr Mc and Uncle Joe and Paul around. Jason at School. I have been Sewing. Frank busy.

21" April Friday. Snowing. blowing raining and quite cold. back into winter again. Gidieon and clayton took sheep to Mr Warners[?] pasture this A.M. Mrs Ansly called. Mr Mc expected to have gone to Springfield for Clara but the Storm prevented him. Gidieon and Irvin cutting wood. This afternoon Clayton took Frank to C. to the dentist. Will Mcs wife and Waldo called. This eve all at home.

22" April. Sat Another winter day. The ground covered with Snow this morning and Snowing all day. Alvie[?] Orr called this morning with the Shinn[?] fruit[?] trees. One of the Jersey cows sick. Clayton at Selma for medicine\_ near noon Mr Mc at C. for medicine Mrs Walker came out with him. they were both here to a one Oclock dinner. Irvin off duty today. Gidieon at work. This afternoon Clayton took Uncle Joe home. Mrs W. will be with us tonight.

23" April. Sabbath. Very gloomy and chilly. The Snow all gone. Clayton and Jason at Sabbath School and church Mr Mc at church. Mrs Walker with us today. Frank and Paul and I here\_ Mr Morton preached today as usual. This afternoon spent with the children\_ \_ Irvin came back this eve. Mrs W. on the sick list this eve.

24" April. Monday. Not so cold but very gloomy. Clayton at C. for Uncle Joe. Mrs Walker in bed all day. Gidieon and Irvin working in the orchard. began plowing there, I think. Jason at School. Mr Mc around home all day. [Written in margins at the top of the following day: "Mr Pindal called."]

Tuesday. 25" April. Rain last night and today again. Plowing suspended[?]. Gidieon at C. for lumber and Ashes. Uncle Joe and Irvin at the grape Arbor[?]. Mr Mc out at Mr P. McElays[?] this P.M. Mrs Walker still on the sick list. Clayton took her home this afternoon\_ I have been sewing Frank at her work. Jason at School. Paul around in the rain all day.

25" April. Wednesday. Heavy rain today. Uncle Joe Gidieon and Irvin put in a full day putting down a new porch floor. Paul around in the rain all day. Clayton and Mr Mc around looking after sheep & c Jason at School. Frank and I busy. Gidieon in with the folks for dinner and supper. This Eve a medicine man from Mt Sterling stopping with us. Father at Selma.

26" April ThurS. Clearing up today. Gidieon Irvin and Uncle Joe finished off grape arbor[?]. put ashes in hopper. and helped Mr Mc wash sheep. Paul and I spent the day at Grandmother Murdocks\_— This afternoon I left Paul with Aunt Jane. and attended the Missionary Society in the afternoon. Aunt Mary and Matt there. This was my first effort. I had two teeth taken out this morning at Dr Normans. We rec["a" above quotation marks] a letter from Homer the Students that were to go to Chicago left Monday. and Homer stayed like a good boy at the College to finish his year there\_ I feel glad that he did. I called to see Cargill[?] Mortons. they returned from the trip South yesterday\_

This Eve Gidieon and Clayton and Jason at Cedarville at a Show. They have worked hard today in hopes of getting to go.

27" April. Friday. Pleasant. Gidieon and Jason at Warners with sheep. Uncle Joe and Irvin around. Clayton and Jason taking sheep to Pickerals[?]. Near noon Mr Mc left for Springfield\_ And he & Clara reached home about dark\_ It has the appearance of a Storm this eve\_ It has been a beautiful day. Frank at C. this P.M. Paul helping Uncle Joe this afternoon. Mrs Ansly[?] called.

28" April. Sat. Heavy rain last night and rain most of the day. Uncle Joe took Clara to C\_ She has been practicing her piece in the Opera house before a Select few\_ She took dinner at Aunt JaneS. I Cleaned the presses[?] up stairs preparatory to house cleaning. This eve Mr Mc at Selma for Harlan. he came in on the train\_ and was making a call and father did not wait on him. We will leave the lamp burning for him. Gidieon away most of the day. Hall[?] Henderson late of Clinton Co. died this week\_

30" April. Sabbath. Heavy rain this morning. Harlan walked down from Selma last night He had stopped at a meeting at Yasmells[?]. This morning Clara and Clayton and I went through a heavy rain to Sabbath School. At a later hour Mr Mc came to church. Harlan Jason and Paul and Frank at home. Mr Mortons text. "And the three companies blew the trumpets, and brake the pitchers and held the lamps in their left hands and the trumpets in their right hands. to blow withal[?]; and they cried, The sword of the Lord and of Gidieon." Subject- The elements of success in fighting the Lords battles. Some things that are needed. His loyalty. Activity. We need to be thoroughly tried and tested. Sometimes it is as important to fight as to pray. If we would succeed we need strong faith. If there is any work that is needed to be done for our familys we need Strong faith and great courage: People have less courage in morals and religion than in anything else. We need greater activity and earnestness\_ we all need to blow with the trumpet We all need to do what we see our leader do In every fight between right & wrong-between Christ and the world. we Should let the enemy know which side we are on. Show our determin ation make a bold point[?] in presence of our enemy. and if we do not show what side we are on we only help and encourage the enemy. To be Successful we need to make sacrifices. and there also need to be a meeting of divine and human agency. In every conflict it is the Sword of the Lord and of Gidieon\_ This afternoon spent with the children. This Eve Clara and Harlan started for the young folks meeting but failed to get there in time. Clara stayed at grandmothers while Harlan

attended services at the U.P. church. Another heavy shower\_  
Uncle Joe came home with them.

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1 Aug. Tuesday. Homer cutting patches of grass. Shingledollar, Isaac H- and Fred L- and Frank Erwin and Frank O- & Gideon finishing up the remnant left of the hay. At five O'clock Clayton & Jason left in the Surrie [*sic* possibly "surey"] for Wilmington - they drove Maud and the pony. Aunt Matt would go with them from C- Frank and On around without our boys & Fred L- they seem pretty lonely today. This afternoon Mr Jonas came for Fannie & Fred Laimont to tell them their grandmother was dead - they went home with him. Homer at C- at the shop. Frank On went home with him & did not come back - this Eve Gideon Shingledollar Isaac and Frank Erwin & Mr Mc & Paul here to supper. Fannie done a little washing to day. Donald around - This Eve Frank Erwin and I at Clifton. Daisy Wealy, aged fifteen, came home with us to help while Aunt Mary E- is here and until Frank L- comes back. Our boys - Clayton & Jason did not get back until nine O clock. Aunt Mary Eliza stopped at Aunt JaneS with Aunt Matt - Clayton and Jason throughly [*sic*] tired but both were delighted with their trip and their sumptuous dinner and evening lunch - Aunt Mary E- provided company for them to show them over the city. (93-94)

2" Aug. Wed. A beautiful day again. The Hay Harvest ended at noon. Mr Mc & Fannie & Donald and Paul at C- and brought Aunt Mary E- out - they reached here just as Homer, Isaac Clayton Jason & Frank E- finished their dinner. We soon had the table in readings [*sic*] for them. Mr Mc not feeling well today. This afternoon - The men working in the oat Only Isaac who has been cutting weeds- he had Gidieon & Shingledollar in for supper - Clayton Frank Erwin Jason at C- with wood for Aunt JaneS. Daisy helping along nicely with the work. Homer at C- this eve. (94)

3 Aug. Thurs. Warm & dry - Homer steering the mower through the out-field. Gidieon with him see of the men gone but him. Frank Erwin around with the boyS - This morning Mr Mc took the carriage with M and [one word blotted out] and took Aunt Mary E- Fannie and Donald and Paul with him to the warmer pasture - came home near noon - Clara & Daisy W - and I busy. Mr Mc around home all afternoon - not feeling well with a cold. After Supper Aunt Mary E- & Fannie Donald and Paul went with him to the pasture near or beyond Selma for the ride. Clara ironing her white dress - Daisy and I ironing this afternoon - This eve - Homer at C at the hall - the 10" Ohio Battery meets in C- today - & this eve -

Walter called this eve. Will Mc & our express in Springfield to day - We have had a pleasant happy day. Donnie Kyle called this morning. (94-95)

4" Aug. Friday. A beautiful day. This morning Aunt Mary E- and Clark and Clayton and I took a drive to C- Clara got Dr Oglesber take out a tooth - Aunt Roseanna going very slowly - Aunt Mary E- and I spoke to her - She seemed very peaceful She asked one to call again Aunt Jane came home with us. This morning Uncle Dan & Annie called ["this morning" is crossed out] while we were away. This afternoon - Mr Mc and Homer called at Oscar Masons took tea there - they also called at Edd Lamont. This Eve Fannie & Donald & Aunt Mary E- and Clayton took Aunt Jane home in the Surrie and called to see Aunt Rachel and Josie On. (95)

5" Aug. Sat. Another Beautiful day. Fannie and Aunt Mary E- & Donald at Town Fannie got her teeth filled at Dr HomanS office - They got back in time for dinner. Homer & father out at the pasture [de starring?] sheep most of the day - home in time for tea. This afternoon I called to see Mrs Kyle - and Francis S Peters, who is very low with consumption. After supper Mr Mc and Aunt Mary E- and Fannie and Donald & Paul at C- for a ride - Homer at Selma to meet Harlan. He came on the one O clock train from Springfield. (95-96)

6" Aug. Sabb. A beautiful day. Harlan, Homer, Clara and Jason out at Sabbath School and church - Mr and Fannie at church. Clayton & Daisy and Paul and Aunt Mary E. and I at home. Mr Morton preached to day as usual. This Eve Harlan and Clara at the young folks meeting Harlan stopped to speak at Aunt JaneS & grand mother Murdocks. This afternoon spent with boys and with Daisy. (96)

7" Aug Monday. A beautiful day, At an early hour Mr Mc and Clara and Fannie and & Donald left with Harlan for Springfield - This afternoon Homer & crowd busy. This [blotted out, illegible] Homer at work. Aunt Mary E. and Jason at C- home in time for dinner. This afternoon Alvic On & Homer at the SpringS- to hear the Hon St John - I have been quite busy all day. Family busy. The folks reached home at nine. Fannie & Clara took dinner at [illegible] Stuarts & tea there too. Homer home after the folks came - He took supper with Alvic On. St John spoke fine - but only a small crowd to see him. Isaac away. Gideon off duty this p.m. Aunt Mary E- still with us. (96-97)

8" Aug. Tuesday. A lovely day. Homer and Isaac in the oats. Gideon off duty. Lee Shingledollar moved out from GideonS this

morning and went to Aunt Rachels. After an early dinner - Mr Mc and Clara Clayton and Jason and I attended the the [sic] temperance Mass meeting at two O clock at the old fair grounds - Hon St John spoke - his address powerful - quite a larger audience - we were home again before dark. Fannie and Donald and Aunt Mary E- at C- they took tea at Aunt JaneS. Paul stayed here, like a little soldier, with Daisy - & seemed content and happy after they came back from town they walked up to Will Mcs. Homer out at Uncle Silas's this eve - and Walter came home with him - they expect to attend the Springfield fair tomorrow. (97)

9" Aug. Wed. Dry & dusty. At an early hour Homer and Walter left for the fair. Fannie Aunt Mary E- & Clara Clayton Jason and Paul and Donald spending the day at Aunt Jennette & Uncle Bighams. Near noon Mr Mc left for Xenia to be ready for the St John meeting this afternoon - No one here but Isaac & Daisy and me [crossed out word]- we are not having a holiday but have been very busy. Gidieon off duty this p.m. - Isaac taking weeds out of the pasture - Annie Mc called here to see Aunt Mary E. this morning. None of the folks ventured from any of the three river points until long after dark - Father hoome [sic] for a late supper - Daisy and I finished ironing & Mr Mc took dinner at Uncle Silas's and went with him to Xenia. (97-98)

10" Aug. Thurs. Dry & dusty. The folks had a mishap as they returned from Uncle Bighams yesterday - and came home in Uncle Ervins Carriage. When Homer took the Carriage home this morning Fannie and Aunt Mary E- and Donald and Jason went to spend the day around town. Jason expected to white wash for Aunt Mary. Mr Mc took Paul with him to the warmer pasture this p.m. Isaac around cutting weeds, Clara and Daisy and I busy.

Homer found grandmothers lost cow & took her home and took tea with grandmotherS - This Eve Mr Mc at Michael Collins to see the machine men - This Eve Fannie and Paul and I at town for the folks. Aunt Mary E- spent the day at [blotted out two words]. Fannie at Mr Mortons and at Aunt Bells. This afternoon She & Donald went with Aunt Bell and the children and called at Aunt Matties. I called with grandmother Murdock a few minutes. Aunt Mary E. here as usual. (98-99)

11" Aunt. Friday. Dry & dusty - Fannie and Donald and Paul around with Mr Mc in the buggy this morning. They stopped to see Sarah Haggard D- as they past. This p.m. Homer at C- on an errand for Ba[g or s]el - Homer & Mr Mc around - Clayton at Bagels at the machine to day, did not get home until after dark. Mr Mc and Aunt Mary E- and Fannie at Selma - they called to see Miss R- but she was not at home. Homer at C- at Uncle Silas's.



Daisy and I busy to day. Clara helping Aunt Mary E- appraising Harlan's wardrobe and my mitts. Mr Calvin of S- called on his weekly rounds and I sent Harlan's goods direct to Carson Forbes. Paul and I are going to retire early. (99)

12" Aug. Sat. A little rain fell this morning - One kept dry the rest of the day. Near noon [blank space] machine came - we had thirty here to dinner and supper - They finished their work and came into a five O clock Supper - They thrashed the oats to day. Fannie & Donald at C- for meat this morning - after she came home She and Aunt Mary E- helped us along all they could and Donald went with them to Aunt Rachels to take dinner there. Uncle Silas and Walter and Ralph have to dinner & supper - Mrs Hanshanans children here all day - She gave good satisfaction. I have been in bed nearly all day - scarcely able to keep up - Francis Peters is dead. Her funeral at two Oclock to day - but we were too pressed for any of the children to go - On last Thursday morning Clara and Jason called to see her and took her some nice things - but now she is gone - and what we had purposed to bestow on her we can give to some other needy one. Fannie Aunt Mary E at Rachels for Supper. (99-100)

13" Aug. Sabb. Very dry - no Sign of rain. Clara and Aunt Mary E- & Paul and Daisy at home with Donald. Homer & Clayton and Jason at Sabbath School & church - Mr Mc and Fannie and I at church - Mr Mortons text, "I am the good Shepherd and know my Sheep, and am Known of mine".

Christ our Shepherd is the Subject of this text - Christ knows every want of his children and supplies their every need. This afternoon after the Sermon Mr Mc and I called in to Speak to Uncle Joe - he has been sick for several days - This p.m. I heard Clayton & Jasons [?] Had Psalms and Bible reading [*sic*]. (100-101)

14" Aug. Monday. A beautiful day. Our house in nice order. Jason took Daisy Wealy home - and brought Frannie Lamont back with him. Frannie and Aunt Mary E- & Donald went after Miss Roadasmer but she will not come before next week. Mrs Robt Lindal Called just at noon and came out and took dinner with us and spent most of the afternoon with Mr Mc & Homer at Mr Isaac Charms for corn. Clayton and Jason and Donald and Paul around. Isaac and Gidieon Stacking the remainder of the oats. This afternoon Aunt Mary E. went with me to C- we took the clothes to Mrs P- Aunt Mary E. Stopped at Aunt JaneS- I attended a Church meeting at the church. I took tea with grandmother Murdock & Aunt MaryS. This Eve at five O clock Fannie went Ida Crosswells to spend the evening with ten or twelve of the girls - They had a delightful

Supper and an enjoyable evening. Aunt Roseanna gradually slipping away. I [?] to see Uncle Joe he is still in bed. James P. Mc has taken his place in the post office about a week or more ago - Aunt Mary E- Stayed at Aunt Jane's to night - Alvic On called and Homer went with him to Selma to spend the evening. Clayton and Jason at Selma with Sacks. (101)

15" Aug. Tues. A beautiful day. Clara and Paul went to the eight O clock train and met Mr J.C. McMillan and brought him out along with Aunt Jane & Aunt Mary Eliza - Mr J.C. is getting very frail - after dinner Mr Mc and Mr J.C. and I attended the meeting of the Bible society at the M.P. church - no Regular address to day - Mrs Lizzie K Rainy there. It has been a long time since I meet [sic] her before - This after Aunt Roseanna McMillan died. We were all in there after she was gone. Mr J.C. went back to K- on the six O clock train. This afternoon while we were away - Aunt Mary E. and Fannie and Donald and Paul drove up to see Mrs Eva Roadasmer - This's Paul. Late Homer at Some pasture -[illegible symbol]. Frank busy all day. Clayton at Crites's up there to See the new thrasher work. There's another busy day has come to an end. (101-102)

16" Aug. Wed. Gideon at the gravel pit opening yesterday and hauling out gravel to day. Homer at C this afternoon at the mill [illegible symbol]. Aunt Mary E getting my cloth ready for a cape - Fannie and Clara put out quite - a little washing - She and I and we [illegible] - Will Mc called. Clayton at Crites at the machine. This p.m. - at half past four Mr Mc and Aunt Mary E. and Fannie and I at Roseannas funeral - Mr Morton & Rev Sprawl and Warmock conducted the exercises. Mr Mortons text "Now I am ready to be offered up." After the funeral Aunt Mary E went to stay at Aunt Jane to night. We had quite a nice Summer shower this Eve - Clara and Frank have with Donald and Paul. This Eve Homer at C- (102)

17" Thurs. Aug. A beautiful day. This morning on the early train the friends left with Aunt Roseannas remains for Preble Co- to be layed [sic] away in their old family burrying grounds - besides Uncle Gavins old church. Mr Mc and Clayton and Jason at the Xenia fair. Fannie and Donald stopped off at Miss Blanch Collins's to spend that day and Mr Mc rode with me from their [sic] to Xenia's - and went out from there with the boys to the fair - I put Maud in the stable for safe keeping and spent most of the day around town - for something new I called to see Sallie Buck - and called at Mr J.C. McMillans & got a dictionary he promised me - I also called to see old ms Charters -- and

reached Collins near five - when we came to C- we only stopped a very few minutes - I called in to see Uncle Joe he is sick.

Homer & Gidieon & Clayton hauling on the rode. Frank & Clara kept Donald this afternoon - This Eve Homer at C- the rest of the folks did not get home until dark. (102-103)

18" Aug. Friday. Another bright day. Mr Mc and Clara at Springfield - Clara and I kept Donald -- Homer out with Gidieon on the roads. Clayton took Homers place until Homer went to Selma to see Mr Lindal. Frank and Clara and I busy with Donald and with a large ironing. We put up our corn to day. Excuse bad writing but I wrote most of the above while asleep. I am very tired to night. I meant to say that yesterday Clara and Frank had the large ironing and we put up the corn to day. Father & Fannie took dinner with Harlan - Fannie called at Stuarts - Charlie S- left Springfield last week. We had Supper when the folks came -- Jason at the office this eve - Homer up the pike a little while Lester sleeping here to night. (103-104)

19" Aug. Sat. Another nice day. I called to see Uncle Joe and brought Grandmother Murdock and Aunt Mary out with one - Aunt Mary made eighteen glasses of Crabb Jelly and 4 [?] marmalade - At an early hour Mr Mc and Homer and Clayton and Jason took 32 hays to C- to Mr Lindal. Paul went along too - and stopped at Aunt Bells awhile - he came out in our carriage -- Mr Mc and co came home in time for dinner -- A little past noon Mr Mellanger called and took dinner with us. Gidieon & co over at his folks to day. This Eve Clara and Donald took Aunt Mary & grandmother home - Aunt Mary E. came back home with Clara - and is with us to night - Homer at C- and at Selma too -- No he concluded not to go to S-- (Clayton at mill) (104)

[In the margin]: Gid & co off at Emva[?] to day.

20" Aug. Sabbath. A beautiful day - but cool. This morning Homer Clayton and Jason at Sabbath School and church - Clara went part of the way and came back on acct [account] of her dress. She and Aunt Mary E- & Fannie and Donald at home - Paul and Frank here too, Mr Mc and I at church. Mr Mortons text "But now they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly; wherfore God is not ashamed to be called their God; for he hath prepared for them a city." We all feel that - we have here no abiding peace - permanently - but are looking for one yonder There is no other [?]that should interest us as our eternal home. "[?]" The Better Country." There is an Other country - another life - another home. Jesus great design in coming into this world was to help

fear down trodden men and women to find that home - There is no loss like the loss of the soul.

After preaching Mr Mc and I called to see Uncle Joe - This [one word blotted out] afternoon Spent with the children - This Eve Homer and Clara at the Young Folks Meeting. (104-105)

21" Aug. Monday. A beautiful day - A little cool - and very dry. Clara and Aunt Mary E- went up after Miss Roadasmer this morning. The boys room and poarch ready for the Sewing. Homer at C- This morning. Near noon Prof McMillan called and took dinner and spent most of the afternoon. Aunt Mary E. & Fannie assisting Mrs R- with the Sewing. Most of her time & Mr Mcs & Homers, as well as my own, spent with the Proff - while here - Frank went over to Clifton yesterday P.M. - and back at her place to day faithful all the way through

Mr Ervin Kyle called this P.M. All of us very busy. This Eve Clara and Aunt Mary E. took the clothes to Mrs P- Homer spending the evening at Selma - Fannie feeling very anxious about her "fine pin.") She lost it to day. No traces of it can be found. (105-106)

22" Aug. Tues. A beautiful day. Mr Carry here and "purchased" some cattle. Miss Roadasmer assisted by Aunt Mary E. and Fannie are busy in the Sewing department -- Isaac & Gid hauling gravel - Mr Mc and Homer away with the stock - Fannie made very happy to day by finding her pin. This after noon Aunt Jennette and Aunt Matt called. Aunt Bell & Fern called - They remained for tea. This Eve Homer at C- (106)

23" Aug. Wed. A beautiful day. Miss Roadasmer busy all day long. Clara and Paul took Aunt Mary E. and Fannie & Donald to Uncle Dan to spend the day. Peace & Harry & Wills folks there Clara came back near noon bringing Grandmother Murdock and Aunt Mary with her to visit with the Pidgeon family here Mr & Mrs P- & their three children here- Mary Ervin came out with Clara all here until after tea when Fannie and Donald and Paul and I took the folks home and brought Aunt Mary E. back with us. Mary Ervin rode down with Homer - by the way Uncle Dan brought Fannie home this p.m. - to meet Mr and Mrs Pidgeon - This Eve Homer at C- again and out at Uncle Silas's. (106-107)

24" Aug. A beautiful day. Near noon Mr Mc left for Hale Collins Pale. Fannie and Aunt Mary E. and Miss Roadasmer busy on the upper poarch [sic] at the Sewing. Homer looking after the Sheep. Gidieon & Isaac working on the roads. Sarah Haggard D[?] and children here to see Fannie this afternoon. This eve Fannie & Aunt Mary E. & Clara & Miss R- and Jason and, Donald & Paul took

a little ride - I have been working with grapes to day Frank finished the ironing we have been busy all day long. Mr Mc home for tea at dark. Homer at Minnie Turnbuls at an ice Cream Supper, and will stay with Walter at Uncle Silas's to night. (107)

25" Aug. Friday, A beautiful day - Jason at C- and brought Aunt Jane and Matt and Aunt Mary out - grandmother did not wish to come - Aunt Mary made 14 glasses of Grape Jelly to day - she kept busy - and so did Aunt Matt assisting Miss Roadasmer and Aunt Mary E. and taking care of Donald - Frank & Clara and all busy. One of Gidieons little ones sick - I was there this morning.

Homer home from Walters this [erased] forenoon - This afternoon Mr Mc Mc [sic] and Homer at the pike looking after a buyer for Daisy - did not get home until after dark - When Homer went to town to see Alvic O. -- This Eve [crossed out, two words] Donald and Clara [scratched out, three words] and Aunt Mary E. took Aunt Jane and Matt and Aunt Mary home It was beautiful riding in the moonlight. (107-108)

26" Aug. Sat. We have been busy all day long. Clayton took Frank away this morning to go to a picnic today. Fannie and Aunt Mary E. helping Miss R with the sewing. Gidieon & Isaac hauling gravel. This p.m. Homer helped gather a few peaches - Mr Mc around home all day. This p.m. - very heavy wind and a shower. This Eve Homer at Selma he took Miss Roadasmer home - Aunt Mary E. and Fannie and Donald and Clayton at C- Jason cleaning his church suit - Homer has a pain in his breast to night. (108)

27" Aug Sabb. A beautiful day after the rain. Homer, Clayton Clara and Jason at Sabbath School and church. Mr Mc and Fannie at church - Aunt Mary E. and Paul & Donald and I at home Homer Clayton & Jason recited the catechism and read the Sabbath School lesson for next Sabbath. This Eve Homer and Clara at the young folks meeting. (108)

28 Aug. Monday. At an early hour Clayton left for Selma for Miss Roadasmer and Clara went to C- and brought Aunt Jane & Matt and Aunt Mary out - Aunt Mary working with the peaches. Aunt Matt helping with the sewing & Fannie & Aunt Mary E- with Miss R- all day sewing. Isaac taking the tops of the trees that were blown off Saturday out of the yard. Homer and Gid at the sheep until noon - This afternoon Homer and Alvic our went past Selma for there [sic] company to attend a picnic - Mr Harris called and chatted awhile this afternoon - Old [illegible] Miller came on his yearly rounds to day and chopped in the wood house all day.

Frank came back this morning and is home to day. This Eve Clara and Aunt Mary E. took the folks home. Gideon out at the pasture with Sheep - Mr Mc went out at a later hour.

The Ervin family called here this eve - Uncle Ervin and all - we are having quite a little shower - Fannie [illegible, perhaps received?] word This Eve from Mr Mckenzie - quite a gloom thrown over the congregation at the sudden death of one of the children - Theodore W Cline was suddenly killed at the Station he was eight or nine years old. Mr Harris called this p.m. (109)

29" Aug. Tuesday. Gideon & Isaac hauling gravel - "Old George" left us this morning. Homer working on sheep. Mr Mc around home most of the day.

Fannie and Aunt Mary E. on the upper poarch [*sic*] sewing all day long. Aunt Mary E. made four blouse waists for Paul - This afternoon I went to town I called to see Uncle Joe and S. This Eve Homer and Clara and Clayton at J.R. Orrs at a Social. Fannie & Aunt Mary E. and Miss R- and Donald & Jason at the pike riding. (109-110)

30" Aug Wed. A beautiful day. The State fair in Session in Columbus. This morning Homer and Fannie took Aunt Mary E. to C- to stay until Saturday Eve. They attended to a little business and were soon home - Donald seems to be happy here now and gets along nicely. Clara [illegible, perhaps received?] a letter from Helen W- Vesta Stuart is away - Therefore they can not come tomorrow. Homer and Gideon working on Sheep - Fannie and Miss R- Sewing all day - Frank and Clara and I busy. Mr T. Spauser called this Eve. Home took Miss Roadasmer home near dark - her stay with us has been very pleasant. Homer spent the eve in Selma. (110)

31" Aug. Thurs. A lovely day. Mr Mc left near noon some where up the Pike - At an early hour Gideon and Homer left for Uncle Silas's. The machine there to day - This Eve Homer at C- Mr Mc home at four this p.m.

This afternoon I expected to have attended the missionary meeting but did not get there. Fannie & Donald at C- took peaches for Aunt Mary E- & Aunt Matt took them out to Aunt Jennetts in Fannie's conveyance and remained for tea - Fannie took tea with grandmother & Aunt Mary. Fannie did not get home until near dark. Mr & Mrs Morton will be here tomorrow - I have been canning peaches this P.M. fruit very scarce - Clayton and Jason and Paul here - Isaac hauling out manure -- (110-111)

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1: Sept. Friday. Most a lovely day - Early this A.M. - Mr Mc and Homer & Clara left for Springfield. They had the time set and was obliged to go - although Mr & Mrs Morton were here and spent the day. We tryed to make things as pleasant as we could in Mr Mcs absence - Isaac at his hauling One of the colt of the thirty hogs died to day - very suddenly.

This Eve Aunt Bell and the children here - Mary Bell and Blanch remained to visit here until tomorrow eve - Fannie and Donald here all day helping us to make the most of things. Homer came back from S- with Basel and left early by way of L- to attend a party at Miss Carrie Haines - Mr Mc & Clara came at a later hour bringing Maggie Stuart with them Blanch & Mary here with Clara -

Mr Howard Bratton & his friend called to see Homer - Can it be true that this is the 2" day of Autumn - that the Summer has really gone. Slipped away almost before we were aware. This is only a sample of the way our lives pass -- Here only for a day - Although we all bid so high for this world -- yet after all how unsatisfactory. (111-112)

2" Sept. Sat. Another Bright day. Miss Maggie S- and Blanch and Mary here - This morning I made a quick visit to C- called at the School house to see Proff Sairs. We would like to send Clayton to School in C- this year. After dinner Fannie & Clara & Donald and Paul & Maggie S- and Blanch & Mary put up a little lunch and went over in the vicinity of Clifton to spend the afternoon - Homer left at the same time for Springfield to bring Harlan down this Eve - Mr Mc here all day looking after things - Isaac hauling out fertilizer. The folks come home up [word crossed out] Cedarville and Blanch and Fern stopped off at home and Aunt Mary E- come out with them and she and Maggie S- with us night -- Harlan and Homer home about nine O clock. [112]

3" Sept. Sabb. Light cool last night - & this morning. Aunt Mary E. and Clara and Jason and Frank here with Donald. Harlan Homer and Jason at Sabbath School and Church- Mr Mc and Fannie and Maggie and Paul and I at church - This is the first that Paul has been at Church for a long time. He had his new suit on - Rev John Kendal preached - Text "Whose I am and whom I serve." We are all servants and our life motto should be "I serve" God has a work for each one of us - This afternoon we had our Sabbath lesson Harlan and Homer with us. This Eve Harlan Homer Clara & Clayton & Maggie St- at the Young Folks meeting. Frank went over home - in our conveyance - and took advantage of the favor -- & tarryed late. (113)

4" Sept. Monday. At an early hour - Claytons first day at Cedarville school- he was very anxious to go - He will stay at grandmother Murdocks. Homer took Maggie Stuart to the eleven Oclock train - home again at noon - Aunt Mary E- with us. Harlan around. After dinner Homer at C- and around to tell the folks good bye - Harlan went with him and went on the five Oclock train to Springfield. Mr Mc around home all day. After an early supper Aunt Mary E. told us good bye and Fannie took her to town to be ready to go back to Wilmington in the morning. They called at Aunt Rachels & Clara kept Donald - All of us busy. Jason at C- at the shop. Clayton came back this eve - (113-114)

5" Sept. Tues. A beautiful day. At an early hour Mr Mc and Clara left for Wilmington to take Aunt Mary E. back - at a later hour Homer told us good bye and Jason took him to the nine O clock train to go back to Monmouth to attend College there this year. This is his second year - Fannie and Donald rode down with them to spend the day around town - How busy these days have been - how much has been crowded into them and quickly they have past - Aunt Mary E- has been here since the 1" of Aug. and Homer has been with us since the 9" of June - And now the "Harvest is past and the Summer ended - All past - & gone O how swiftly - I have had a lonely day - no one here but Frank and Paul and me - Isaac out at his work. This eve I called at C- and brought Fannie and Donald home at a later hour Mr Mc and Clara came - Aunt Jane went with them to day and stood the trip bravely. (114)

6" Sept. Wed. A beautiful day. For a change of scene - I went with Fannie Donald and Paul out to Uncle Silas's - we stopped and took grandmother with - Aunt Mary went out early in the morning - they were having the clover haulers there to day. We remained until after tea Aunt Mary rode home with us. Just as we come in to town this morning the express ran into Mr McElvains team - injuring him and killing his little boy. Clara here with Frank and Jason - Mr Mc around here and there all day- (115)

7" Sept Thurs. Another bright day - but warm - & dusty. I came home from Uncle Silas's sick last night - with a severe pain in my stomach which lasted all night - I have been in bed all day. Mr Mc around looking after things - Mr John Thomas called at an early hour for Mr Mc to go with him to the London fair - but he concluded not to go - This eve Fannie and Jason & Donald at the office - a letter from Homer - he reached Monmouth yesterday p.m. at six O clock - took break fast with Fred. Clara sewed to day. Frank ironed. - I am sitting up awhile this eve - (115)



8" Sept. Friday. A beautiful day. Fannie and Jason at C- this morning at the office - Aunt Jane came out with them and spent the day. Mr Mc up at Selma pasture - came home to a late dinner - Mr Heentington[?] here to dinner and waited until Mr Mc came This eve he and Mr Mc at John Thomas's. - home again in time for tea - This eve we were surprised to see our old friend Louis Floid the old painter, stopping in - he was there to tea and with us to night - This eve Fannie, Clara Jason Donald & Paul took Aunt Jane home - Frank busy making Crabb apple jelly to day. Clayton came home this eve. This is His first week in Cedarville school Miss Blais is his teacher. (116)

9" Sept. Sat. Very Busy all day. Frank put in a full day washing and ironing. Fannie and busy [sic]. Paul and Donald and Clayton and Jason around. This afternoon Clayton at C- Louis cleaned the yard and helped all he could - This p.m. Aunt Bell and daughters called - Isaac finished his 2" term - This A.M. Mr Mc & Clara left in the Surrie for Springfield. Fannie and Frank and I busy all day. We expected Mrs Stuart home with the folks - but she did not come - but were delighted with Harlan putting in his appearance - We had supper for the folks after they came. I have been scarcely able to keep up to day. The painter here. (117)

10" Sept Sabb. A beautiful day. Harlan Clara and Jason at Sabbath School - Mr Mc and Fannie at Church - Mr Morton preached. Clayton and Paul here with Donald and me - Frank and the painter here. This afternoon we had our Bible reading on the upper poarch [sic]- Harlan & the Painter read with us - and Clara - we had the Catechisms - This Eve Harlan went with Clara & Clayton for the young folks meeting. Walter came home with Uncle Silas to be ready for an early trip with H- in the morning. (117)

11" Sept. Monday. At an early hour Walter left with Harlan for Springfield to be at his place in time at Carsons. Clayton rode down with Will Mc to C- to school this morning. Miss Haines for School in our school house this morning. Mr Mc at Clifton mill this A.M. After an early dinner Fannie and Donald I left for Mr John Collins and for Xenia - but when we reached there Miss Blanch and her sister were in Xenia - we met them there We attended to a little business and came direct to C- Father Fannie & Donald and I were invited to Mr Mortons to tea - but Mr Mc was at the Selma pasture and Jason brought Clara down and left her to come home with Fannie and me - we were sorry Mr Mc did not get back in time to come. We did not reach home until nine - We had a very pleasant meeting at Mr Mortons - [?] & wife and Gracie there - The old painter around - he cleaned the wool

house [illegible symbol]. We saw Clayton - he is busy at his lessons at Grandmothers. (117-118)

12" Sept. Tuesday. We had a nice shower yesterday eve - This morning Jason at C- and brought Aunt Jane and Matt and Aunt Mary and Uncle Joe out. They made a nice cloak for Donald. This afternoon Uncle Bigham and Aunt Jennette came - They were here and all the above [?] for tea. Mr Mc at town this afternoon - at Williams S-s - & s - home with the folks for tea - It has been raining this afternoon a little off & on. Fannie and Donald and Clara took the folks home and told the friends good bye - they were detained on acct of the rain - and did not get home until nine. This is the first day Uncle Joe attempted riding and Clayton came with them. (118-119)

13" Sept. Wed. A dreary day after the rain - Sprinkling a little now and then. Clayton told the folks good bye and went back to his school - and Uncle Joe brought the buggy back and Aunt Bell came along and helped pack Clara and Fannie's trunks - Gideon and Jason took the trunks in the express to Springfield - After an early dinner Mr Mc and Paul and I took Fannie and Donald and Clara to the train to Springfield - we stopped at the firm of "Carson & [?]" to see Harlan and then drove to the [?] depot - which is all of three miles out of the city - The train was behind time - Donald was full of life and showed off a good many of his pranks. It was a sad moment when the train came sweeping in and carried Fannie and Donald and Clara away - "Far over the hills and far away: to that far off home at Pine Bush N.Y. I can not tell why - but never at any time have I felt so sad as I have done to night when I came back to our deserted home - all gone - only Jason and Paul with us.

This afternoon after we went away Uncle Joe took Aunt Bell back to town. When we came back - Poor Frank was so tired that she had retired long ago - Uncle Joe and the old painter by the sitting room lamp when we came home it was nine O clock. Paul was a [sic] white as if he had been in his coffin when the train came in - the tears were on his cheeks - he would say I do not want Clara to go away - Will Fannie be back tomorrow - (119-120)

14" Sept. Thurs. Our place still seems deserted -- I left Frank in care of the home and Uncle Joe and I went to C- I took dinner with grandmother Murdock and Aunt Mary - and in the afternoon attended a meeting of the W.C.T.U. At Mrs Shrodes - Let me write those words which came in our lesson to day - "Looking up above earth's throng and stir," Mat. Jesus the beginner and finisher of our faith". And along the vista of life's crowded thorough

focus across the the River to "the land of far distances" which his calm in the Sunlight on the Farther Shore."

"O Lord, my God, 'tis early dawn  
And I would walk with thee to day;  
Clothe me in garments pure and white,  
All bright and beautiful, I pray  
Grant I may walk with greatest care,  
That I may keep their luster bright,  
To day, my Father, hear my prayer,  
And let me walk with Thee in white.  
No thought, no word, no deed, to day  
That may displease my blessed Lord;  
No idle loitering by the way,  
But Sweetly trusting in Thy word,  
What'er my hands may find to do -  
That may I do with all my might,  
To day my Father, pure and true  
Grant I may walk with Thee in white.  
The failures of the yesterday  
The cares that may tomorrow come,  
Each tear, each fear, no chase away  
And guide me on my journey home.  
And when the evening Shadows face  
And I came bending in Thy sight  
Then may I feel my Lord, my All,  
That I have walked with Thee in white"

After the meeting Uncle Joe and I came direct home - Mr Mc & Jason and Paul were at Mr Thomas Spanders for Wal[illegible]. - home in time for tea. The old painter putting bee hives in order - Gidieon at work.

15" Sept. Friday. Uncle Joe at C- and busy but Aunt Jane out to take account of the peaches - This afternoon he took her back to C- Frank went down with them. Wednesday night Mr Lee Barbus new house was burned down - Last night Mr Gordons barn near Salem was burned down -- The Painter at the hives again to day. Clayton came home with Uncle Joe Mr Mc at C- This afternoon - This Eve Clayton took me up to Selma for Miss Roadasmer She came down with us - to be ready for the Serving in the morning. (122)

16" Sept Sat. Rather cool to day. Miss R- finished off my black cloth cape and looked over all of my dresses putting them in shape - busy all day long until late this Eve when Mr Mc took her home - This afternoon Mr Mc took Uncle Joe home -- Clayton and Jason at C- a few minutes Gidieon there with wood for Aunt Jane -- This is Gidieons birthday They are having a meeting for him at his home to night - "a surprise"- (123)

17" Sept. Sabb. A nice day. Clayton & Jason at Sabbath School and church. Mr Mc and Paul and I at church. The Old Painter keeping house. Frank absent. Mr Morton's text -- "I will Seek that which was last, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up that which was broken, and will strengthen that which was sick." This afternoon Lewis read with Clayton and Jason and me. (123)

18" Sept Monday. A nice day. Clayton went down to School - and Uncle Joe brought the buggy back. He also brought a letter from Clara and Dannie They got home all right - but both were very tired - I do not know how about Donald whether he was very tired or not- but he surely would be. Roy Branigan[?] came up this morning - has been around all day - and took the buggy to go to see his girl to night.

Uncle Joe took clothes to Mrs P- home against in time to tea - Jason at C- for He started to School to day - & needed books. Excuse blots- I have written this over while asleep. (124)

19" Sept. Tuesday. A nice day. Jason at School. Mr Mc around home all day. Uncle Joe and Ray around. The old painter at the bee hives to day again. This afternoon Frank called at Will Mcs. I called to see Mrs Jonas and Mrs Kyle was K- does not seem to improve very fast. This eve Mr Mc and Roy at the pasture. Paul cried himself asleep with the tooth ache. Roy at C- on an errand. (124)

20" Sept. Wed. Uncle Joe at C- this morning the Old Painter at his work. Gidieon began cutting corn - Roy still here. Jason at School. This afternoon I was at C- I took Paul with me - we were home in time for tea - Mr Mc around at the pastures - Roy at C- again. (125)

21" Sept. Thurs. A Pleasant day. Mr Mc around looking after things The Painter at the Bee Hives - Roy with us - Uncle Joe here Jason at School -- Frank and I busy - This afternoon I went to C- alone - Mrs. Cawley grandson burried to day - he was one of the Twins. I took tea with Clayton at grandmothers- David [?] & Aunt Mary -- Mr Mc at pasture. (125)

22" Sept. Friday. At an early hour I left for C- and took Aunt Jane - Aunt Mary and Aunt Bell with me to the "Annual W.C.T.U. Convention of Greene Co." We certainly had a nice meeting - Prof White gave us a Bible Reading -- Aunt Mary was selected President for this year. We has a nice dinner I met Nellie there

- Heavy rain this afternoon -- dark and dreary this eve - we did not reach C- until dark -- Clayton came home with me from C- Frank taking care of things to day. Mr Mc the Old Painter Uncle Joe and Roy and Paul around. Jason at School. (125-126)

23" Sept. Sat. A little cool after the rain. Gidieon around at the work. Clayton and Jason helping him get out corn -- The old Painter at the bee hives- Uncle Joe and Paul around. Frank busy. This afternoon Mr Mc at Mr Edd Carrys. Roy B- out last night - and in "his room" this afternoon -- Resting. Mr Isaac L- and Mr Lammont called to see Mr Mc this morning. Gidieon took Uncle Joe and Roy down home. Mr Mc here after dark - He came home past Uncle Bighams and had tea there. (126)

24" Sept. Sabbath. Rain last night and rain this evening again. Clayton and Jason at Sabbath School and church - Mr Mc & Paul and I at church too. Mr Mortons text "We will go with you for we have heard that God is with you."

This afternoon Louis Floyd, the old painter, read with Clayton and Jason and I in the Bible. Clayton and Jason read aloud in the Evangelist and in the book ( Persecutions in Scotland - Frank away this eve -- Raining and quite cool. (127)

25" Sept Monday. Chilly after the rain - Robert McMillan, who is home from a six year stay in Washington Ty.) came this morning to spend the day. Clayton took the buggy down when he went back to school and Uncle Joe came back bringing Roy Branigan and Robbie Murdock of Bloomington Rd.

Robbie come from there to grandmothers Saturday morning - it is six years now since Robbie was here. The painter fixing the cistern top - All here for Supper but Bob Mc. Late this eve Uncle Joe and I at C- took the clothes to Mrs P- it is quite chilly.

Robbie M- & Roy B- here this eve - & with us to night. An irish "corn cutter" here. Jason at School to day. Paul around. Frank busy. Mrs Aaron [Willfurrow?] is dead. She died yesterday. (127-128)

26" Sept. Tues. A bright day - but cool in the Shade - frost last night. Our Irish Man past on this morning. Isaac H- & Lamonts left in field. Gidieon and Uncle Joe & Roy in the Sorgum. Robbie M- here until after dinner - Frank taking care of the house and Paul - Jason at School. Uncle Joe at C- this Eve - - Mr Mc and I left at an early hour this morning for the big Prohibition Basket meeting at the Fair grounds at Springfield. [?] (Prohibition Candidate for Gov,) and [?] were the speakers - we had a grand meeting -- And a happy meeting for me as Mr Mc

has made a clean sweep and came over soul and body into the Prohibition party. Maybe he ever go forward & upward - never back - never. In the evening at the City hall Our Candidate [large blank space] spoke on the "little red School house" - I stopped with Mrs Stuarts for tea - Mr Mc went with Harlan - It is just a year this evening since Harlan went to Springfield and began work for Carson and fire. Quite a change in the appearance of our boy since then - as well as a change in our boy for the better.

Mr Mc and Harlan called and went with Mrs. Stuart and I to the meeting - We had a grand speech -- It is cool to night - almost as bright as day. No one can ever know how lonely these days are since the children are gone -- some of them so far away. (129-130)

27" Sept. Wed. This A.M. Frank and I [?]. Lewis fixed up the cistern pump - Uncle Joe and Roy at work. Gidieon at the wheat sewing - Mr Mc at Dave Mcs this A.M. Quite a bright day. Jason at School. Frank and - have work. This Eve Gidieon across at Mr Thomas Stretcher. This Eve Mr Mc called at Williams in C-- (130)

28" Sept Thrs. A beautiful day. This morning the old Painter, Louis Floyd, bid us good bye after a three weeks stay -- and Mr Mc took him to Selma to the train Mr Mc at the Sheep pasture also.

This P.M. he was at the late [Jameson?] farm at Edd Smiths the Sale. Near noon Paul and I went to grandmothers - neither she nor Aunt Mary well. Clayton home to dinner with us at two Oclock Paul and I at the Woman's Missionary Soc. We did not make a long stay in C- afterwards but came home. Uncle Joe and Roy at Aunt Rachels for wheat this morning. Gidieon at the sowing. Jason at School to day. Frank busy. (130-131)

29" Sept. Friday. A bright day. Mr Mc left for Mr Arthur Forbes sale - Uncle Joe and Roy & Gidieon busy at the wheat sowing. Jason at School Paul around with Frank - Her folks finished their contract in the corn this Eve. This afternoon I called to see Mrs Etter McMillan - This Eve I made a hasty trip to C- for Clayton- Frank went with the folks home to be ready to go with them to Springfield tomorrow Mr Mc at home after dark - he took dinner and Supper at Mr Forbes's. Uncle Joe and Roy with Clayton and Jason around the camp - Gidieon and I looked over accts to day. (131-132)

Sat. 30" Sept. Misty - drizzling rain all day. Isaac H- here this morning - He was married on Thursday. Gidieon trying to

finish the wheat sowing. Uncle Joe and Roy around This A.M.-  
Clayton & Jason at Forbes Mc at Edd [Linsoufs?] This Eve Gid and  
Clayton took Uncle Joe & Roy home - Harlan came from Springfield  
on the evening train and came out with them. Williams came at  
the same time & brought house out he wanted to see Mr Mc.