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Memento

Sept. 4th 1835

Rockland County, Orange Town

Neighbourhood of Rockland

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22 10 35		Moments
Jan ^y	1	Very pleasant this New Year in neighbour- hood
Friday	2	Pleasant all Day, Clear, snow but little, at 11 grows very cold
J. L. the Mare	2	J. L. the Mare fetched Hannah Conkline to make trousers, Sally along, good riding
D. B. L. Oxen No cut wood	2	David Bennett Oxen 2 loads again yesterday, He cut fire wood from 11 to 2 for me to Day
J. L. Oxen	2	J. L. also the Oxen 1 load yesterday from below
Sat Cold & good riding	3	A Very cold frost N. and all Day. Excellent good riding, having a deep snow and ^{good} bottom see Dec: 29 th last
Sat	4	Clear but immensely cold, seldom so cold, all Day terrible cold, at Night, uncommon severe cold
Jan ^y M ^y Jon Lew	4	For M ^y Jon Lew: only few, very cold indeed J. Hubby & G. Reg: all that was there except the fam ^y
Upper Land ^y	4	None from Rockland to upper Land: to Night too cold to be out Doors
Mon Cold, Cold,	5	Immensely cold this Morn ^g . The Stove in My big Room ^{last Night} very hot at 11 at N ^t . and then filled with wood went to bed, in Morn ^g the Southern Basin a thick cake of Ice left standing on Stove

1835	Momento
Jan 1	Very peacable this New Year in neighborhood
Friday 2	Pleasant all Day, Clear, Snows but little at Night
J. L. the 2 Mare	Jon Lawrence the Mare fetched Hannah Concklin to Make Trousers, Sally Along, good Riding
David Blt. 2 Oxen He cut wood &c	David Blauvelt Oxen 2 loads again yesterday. He cut fire wood from 11 to 2 for Me to Day
JL Oxen 2	Jon Lawrence also the Oxen 1 load yesterday from below
Sat. 3 Cold & good Riding	A Very cold past Night and All Day. Excellent good Riding, having a deep Snow and good bottom, See December 29 last
Sabbath 4	Clear but immensely Cold, Seldom so cold, all Day terrible cold at Night uncommon severe cold
Pr. Mg. 4 Jon Law	Prayer Meeting Jon Lawrences; only few, very cold indeed. I Henry Concklin and Peggy all that was there except the family
Upper 4 Landg.	None from Rockland to upper landing to Night, too cold to be out Doors
Mon 5 Cold, Cold	Immensely cold this Morning, the Stove in my big Room last Night very hot at 11 at Night and then filled with wood, went to bed, in Morning the Earthen Basin a thick cake of Ice left standing on stove

1835	Momento
Jan. 5 Lawrence Sned. Oxen	Lawrence Sneden use of Oxen near $\frac{3}{4}$ Day draw Wood, Jerry Smith fetched them about 10, back Dark, Day $\frac{1}{2}$ Day + I expect Jerry drove them
Butter 5 of him	And this Day Gracy had 2 lbs good butter of him on use of Oxen, All Square before this Date
Bitter 5 cold	Immensely cold; Thermometer 6 Degrees colder than in 10 years before last Night
Mare 6	Jon Lawrence and Sally &c also Mary to Derick Clark's, Jon Lawrence and Sally the Mare
cold cold 6	Clear and immensely cold to Day, all Day windy from the NNW
good Riding 6 Peggy House Married	Most excellent good Sleigh Riding, last Saturday the Widow Peggy House Married to William J. Sneden
on Salt 6 Meadow a load of Hay of D. Blauvelt	Today I went on Salt Meadow with George Gesner, Herbert's Sled and Horse with my Mare. Got a load not large of David Blauvelt. The coldest time I ever experienced on the Salt Meadow out of Major Ferdon's Barrack had cut it on Shares, This on use of Oxen
Manning 6	Judgment on Manning's Account. I did not appear.
Wed 7 Astonishing Cold	Clear Wind continues Northward, and is prodigious cold, Thick Ice in earthen bowl Standing on a hot Stove till late bedtime near 12 and this Morning a cake of Ice in it; the Oxen and Horses in the Stable their Mouths and About their Eyes also bodys was white with frost, Old Sorrel had Ice to his Eyelids
Abm Scudder 7	Abraham Scudder here this Evening and his Mother, cold
Wood Return 7 I & Ja Ges	Received the Return of Wood Sent down, There was 15 loads 3 loads of which was sent, sent 2 at 22 shillings and 1 at 18 shillings, oak from 15 shillings to 18 shillings, the whole amounted to 24 Dollars 63 Cents, Jacob Gesner and self each 12.31

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Jan. 8 Very cold good Riding	Clear Wind continues about N by E, it seems to be equally cold as Yesterday Altho no Ice on the Stove this Morning, neither so much frost on Cattle &c very cold, excellent Sleigh Riding
Sorrel & 8 Mare	Old Sorrel fetched Amelia Yesterday from Tappan
David 8 Blauvelt My Mare	David Blauvelt fetched My Mare last Evening, wanted to go with Lucy and his sister Hannah this Morning to the Fort Lee Gate &c
Friday 9 cold clear	Clear and very cold yet; the Wind Remains in the same point about as above; it is not so excessive cold as it has been but hard Winter Weather. The Sky very clear and blue
Oxen for 9 John Willse Boy	Jacob Gesners Oxen Afternoon at John Willse's, boy drawing fire wood, 3 loads from Haring or Peter Riker
Lapham 9	Lapham down from Haverstraw at Jon Lawrences to Night, I dont know his business
Herbt. Mare 9	Herbert the Mare to take Amelia home to Tappan
Sat. 10	Still Clear and cold, Wind N by E this
Jon Law 10 Wood &c Drew home my oxen 1 load	Let Jon Lawrence have some standing wood yesterday, had John Whitehead a colored Man all Day and Wheeler part of Afternoon to cut; and Drew 5 or 6 loads home, had teams &c, to Day Jacob Gesner My Oxen one load for him.
Wheeler 10 Mare	Wheeler had Mare and Herbert one horse Sled, drew one load wood from below to his House Shanty &c I think the Mare has been Strained

1835	Momento
<p>Jan 10 Paid &c Sabbath 11</p>	<p>Paid Mary Ann Gesner day before Yesterday the 12 shillings Borrowed of Herbert</p> <p>Clear and Cold, Wind the same, weather has Moderated Some. Good Riding from the 29th of December last</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>Clear this Morning a cold night, Wind lightly from N by E as it has been from the 28th of 29th of December last, good Riding</p>
<p>Pr. Mg. 11 Jon Law</p>	<p>Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences 11 o'clock. I, Gracy, Jacob Gesner and Wife, Mistress Cooper, Wheeler, Margaret, Henry Concklin and Peggy, Lucy and Jon Lawrences family composed the little but good Meeting.</p>
<p>Johnson 11 Preached upper Landg.</p>	<p>Brother Johnson Preached upper landing today from Joshua 24 Chapter, the first and last clause of 15 Verse "And if it seems evil unto you to serve the Lord choose you this Day whom you will serve." And "But as for me and My house we will serve the Lord." A good sermon with an Affirmative Application, to only about 20 or 30 hearers, beautiful light Night, Moon light, and Not over Cold. Young people I expect Many out Riding I, Wheeler, Margaret, Sally went up with George Lawrences Sleigh and My Mare; Henry Concklin came afterwards and Walked there from Rockland. In coming back Wheeler and Henry walked.</p>
<p>Preachg. at Slote Sch. Ho. given up &c</p>	<p>Preaching at Slote Schoolhouse at 3 PM given up</p>
<p>Walking 11 Across the River</p>	<p>People are Walking Across the North River at Snedens and from Tarry Town &c this 2 or 3 Days</p>

1835	Momento
January 12	See the preceding page for the Weather
Herbt. & 12 son to NY	Herbert and George Gesner his Son Went about 4 o'clock This Morning with his team to New York, back between 8 and 9 at Night with Barrels of flour.
Jon Law 12 2 Hands cutting wood	Jon Lawrence 2 Hands, ie Jerry Smith and John Whitehead, to cut fire wood in My Swamp
Jon Law 12 Oxen	Jon Lawrence My Oxen to draw 3 loads of Wood from below, kept them all Night
N. York 12 Tax &c 3.36	To Day Sent My New York tax 3.36 to John Blanches where the Collector M. Hoffman was to call for it. Sent with William Lawrence
a Letter to 12 Ab House &c	I Sent Abraham House a letter today drawn a few Days ago, desiring to know who by and how my charge for Settling his and Peggy House's concerns should be paid &c. Also by William Lawrence.
Jac Ges 12 & Wife to D. Clark's	Jacob Gesner and Betsy his Wife about Mid Afternoon to Derick Clarks to be at Meeting at his house, back about 10 or 11 at Night
Tuesd. 13	Thinly overcast this Morning, clouds move from the West. Not cold, and wind very still; Moderate
Soft the Time very cold	Now the weather grows soft NB The Wind from NE by N began Dec. 28 th last and continued until the 12 th Instant and from 3 rd Instant to the 9 th very cold but the 4 th 5 th 6 th the 7 th to the 8 th immensely cold.

1835	Momento
Clark Jan. 13 & Tallman Wood for J Lawrence	Jonathan Lawrence had Abraham Clark and David Tallman each to Draw one Load from My Woods below
13	Jon Lawrence 3 loads again with My Oxen to Day, he kept them all last Night
Peggy House	13 Peggy Sneden lately House here on my letter to her about her and Abraham House's concern to pay her.
Johnson came	13 Brother Johnson came at My House about 11 o'clock this Morning from Brother Clarks with Horse, ate dinner and Drank tea.
Johnson Pd. at J. Law	13 Johnson Preached at Jon Lawrences to Night from 2 Thessalians 3 Chapter 1 Verse, a good Sermon, and about 24 Hearers. Henry Concklin and Wife and Lucy not there. Nauty Cooper and Wynechy Cooper old Side there. Grew Hazy in Evening, Johnson stay'd at Jon Lawrences to Night
Wed. 14 Rain very Sloppy	Rain this Morning, not cold, wind lightly from the NE. Snow very Sloppy, continues to Rain till about 3 PM, breaks away towards Night, not cold, the wind is still, Riding Spoiled
Clear & Rain	15 Clear and quite Moderate, not cold, clouds from Westward wind still this Morning. In the Evening wind from the Eastward and about 9 begins to Rain
Corn sent to Mill & Weighed	15 Alfred with Mare and George Lawrence's Sleigh went to Nagles Mill Closter with Indian Corn 3 Bags, each 2 1/2 Bushels in. The One bag weighed, when sent, 145 lb, one 143, And the other 142 lb. And also 1 bag Oats, to be broke.

*Abraham
Clark's house on
road to Slotte*



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Jan 15	William Lawrence fetched Johnson's Horse from My Stable last Evening, very bad going, Snow and Water. I expect he left Jon Lawrences this Morning.
Rain last 16 Nt., Mornng. clear, Snow mostly gone	Clear Again this Morning; but Rained considerable last Night. The Wind is a little Cool and from the W by S. The Great body of Snow Mostly gone.
16 Barto's Letter to Superin tendant &c a letter back	This Day a letter from the Superintendant of Common Schools at Albany has been circulated in School District No. 1 at the Vicinity of Rockland in Reply to a letter directed from Barto to him Barto, Tunis Blauvelt and Myself being School Commissioners for and in the Town of Orange The contents of said letter in Reply I do not correctly know. But Barto being an Old Side Member or professor not living in School District No. 1, together with others who are Much dissatisfied because the greater part of the Neighbourhood is much opposed to the usurpation exercised in the School And have at their District Meeting I think on Saturday the 3rd Instant put all the Methodist Episcopal School Officers out and put in those who belong to no Society; and in consequence of which their further Designs to Govern and Direct the Affairs of the School as they pleased are frustrated; on the distribution of the fund Money and the Right of fixing on a site &c and particularly in the Choice of a teacher, now having a Mr. Sturr, a Man no doubt of Small Abilities, a Preacher and from his conduct an Accomplished Sectarian and one who does not Attend his School by no Means

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<p>Jan. 16</p> <p>Sectarianism</p> <p>&c</p> <p>wicked</p>	<p>Regular; Whether Tunis Blauvelt has been consulted on this letter to Superintendent I know not as yet, I have not been &c, The Object it appears is to Annul the proceedings of the District Meeting as illegal, as not having been held on the day Appointed, the last Meeting, and that the School fund Money was not lawfully distributed because that William F. Harris, An Approved Teacher, qualified and Attentive, Having taught in the year 1833 and nearly 5 Months in the following year 1834, the Money was distributed by Trustees Jonathan Lawrence, A Reformer Joshua Martin and Trenchard Old Side to all the children who had been 3 Months to William Harris, And to those who had been to Sturr in the said year 1834 all Alike, and this distribution at the Said School District Meeting was approbated by All, excepting Zebulon Woolsey a Rank Sectarian, Who knows nothing right but that favours their Wishes, and Wicked party usurpation; the Neighbors offended at the conduct of the party, Met in larger numbers than usual, and by having put in Men as before said, the proceedings of the Meeting having been enquired into by the Sectarians, the Leading Men, and their views clouded, excited Bartow's pen to Write to Superintendent; what he has presented, as yet I know not. The Devil is very busy. NB See below on the left.</p>
<p>New School Officers</p>	<p>The Men (School officers) put in Office Were John Willse, David Tallman, and Lawrence Sneden Trustees, George Quidor Collector, George N. Lawrence Clerk of District No 1 Rockland</p>
<p>I have A 16 Copy of letter from Super.</p>	<p>This afternoon having procured a Copy of said letter from the Superintendent Dated 6th Instant, rather Accords in the Manner the School fund Money was distributed. Barto Must have Writ before the District Meeting on the 3d.</p>

1835	Momento
Jan. 17	A little hazy all Day, not cold, Snow most gone, Sloppy long the Road. Ground thawed with little on top
Sabbath 18	Clear but Cloudy, colder, wind or Clouds from NW
at Larry's 18 & Herbt Paid	Yesterday at Larry's 3 1/2 lb Sugar, paid 2 shillings 6 pence and at Herbert's 7 lb Wheat flour paid
18 Prayr. Mg. Jon Law.	Prayer Meeting Jonathan Lawrences this forenoon 1/2 After 10 AM. Jacob Gesner and Wife, Myself, Mistress Cooper, Lucy, Margaret, Henry and Peggy, Mistress Pierce who attends with us regular for Some time, joins in Prayer and the family were there; Wheeler not there Henry Concklin left the room when Jonathan Lawrence led Class. We had a very good Meeting Jonathan Lawrence and Jacob Gesner Spoke and exhorted very well &c
18 Prayr. Mg. upper Landg. few inattention of Members	I and Jonathan Lawrence up to New landing to Night. The light was put up After we came there: two boys had Made fire in the Stove. Only Eley and son James, Derick Clark and Mistress Bell next door there. Jon Lawrence and Clark Spoke some, 2 or 3 Prayers offered up. It truly appeared melancholy to see how little Attention was paid by the Members. Griffis Preached at the baptist house, and it appears the Young people attend who belong to the Singing School at the baptist Meeting &c. The inattention of our Members Do the cause they have espoused Much harm.

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Jan. 19	Clear somewhat hazy cold last Night, ground Sharp, Wind North Westward
Peggy Post & Abe to N. York &c	Peggy Post and son Abraham to New York with horse and Waggon to Market a Calf &c Gracy sent 1 pair chickens
Isaac Sturr 19 began Another Quarter Trenchard the only one that employed &c 19	Mr. Sturr has begun another quarter this Morning in defiance of the Will of the Majority in this Neighborhood. He gives Marks of an unprincipled Man, Trenchard alone employed him in defiance of Neighbourhood
The Old Side is in Violent Agitation in the School Concerns	The Old Side violently and in defiance of this Majority try and Mean to Rule the School concerns. The School district Meeting on January 3 in Afternoon, they themselves present, say it was illegal. The new School Officers have no power &c, and the distribution of the School fund Money has been done wrong and must come back Again. William Harris's Scholars, who kept near 5 months in the year 1834, must have none, Sturr Must have the Whole The Devil is entirely a fool to their conduct, a fact is they are determined unless prevented by opposition to usurp the sole right of the inhabitants in every concern whatever wherein they conceive the least Interest, the flames of their Bigotry seem to know no bounds
Sturr & Herbt. Ges. dispute &c	Sturr and Herbert Gesner a high dispute or controversy to Day. Sturr at his house in front, by the Relation given Me must have been collecting Money, the Subject now introduced relative to the Measures

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<p>Jan. 19 Herbt. Ges. Ornament= ing Sturr's Conduct with a well deserved reprimand</p>	<p>Taken by the Old Side Methodists. Herbert must have expressed all their conduct in the school and abuses, their usurpation over the Rights of the neighbors, their Ecclesiastical domination; their Popish principles, their unjust desires that the Scholars who had been to William Harris, in the same year they said ought to have none, Only his Scholars, although Harris had taught School as long nearly as what Sturr had, that he Sturr was a D m fool because he could not see it as unjust, that his Scholars should have the whole of the School fund Money: the particulars Afterwards.</p>
<p>Tues. 20 Snow</p> <p>20 Old sides usurpation</p>	<p>Overcast, the ground just covered with Snow this Morning from SW; not very cold, all Gone before Night Cloudy Afternoon, at Night in Evening quite Clear</p> <p>The Old Methodists are absolutely usurping the Sole Right over the Neighbours in the School in the Most daring and Offensive Manner, blaming Reformers, who indeed have been too Silent in the, determined to control all to their Wishes in the Church school &c. When they are opposed for their lies, their Mean and Sordid and dishonorable proceedings, they call it persecution.</p>
1835	Momento
<p>Jan. 21</p> <p>Ja Ges 21 very Poorly Cramps &c</p> <p>Jerry Smith 21 2 Days Nearly perhaps 1 1/2 + 21 Joshua Martin Says he never employed him Trenchard alone employed him &c</p>	<p>Overcast, a little cold this Morning, continuing to grow thicker Overcast, wind Southeastward, at Night About 8 begins to Rain</p> <p>Jacob Gesner has been indeed very poorly in the first of the Evening, last Night Several turns of violent Spasms. Apparent fainting or fit under the excessive pain in his side; his legs feet toes hands &c in the most Awful condition with Cramps; a poor unfortunate Sufferer is he. After he got a little better (Jerry Smith here now we laid down. About 2 o'clock was taken violently Again, with pain and Cramps, and this Morning very ill, very bad at 8 AM, all day full of Pain and Weakness &c</p> <p>Jerry Smith has now to Day cut and drawed Wood, came about 8 AM, He helped Also Yesterday, neither full Days.</p> <p>Joshua Martin Old Side Member has declared to Jonathan Lawrence that he never engaged Sturr to teach School at the first, nor did not want him. And now Says, he don't mean to Send and if he had 20 &c he would not Sent to him, Sturr is keeping Again, commenced on New Quarter. Joshua Martin Says he has not employed him as an Old Trustee, Jon Lawrence says he has not, hence it follows that Mr. Trenchard has done all the business of the Trustees. Jon Lawrence was never consulted at all And the new trustees Say they have not employed him so</p>

1835	Momento
<p>Jan. 21 Trenchard a tool Scandalous principle of Sturr</p>	<p>it is evident that Trenchard has been the tool for Taylor, Zeb Woolsey &c And Sturr a Man of Mean principle, and void of Honour, also unjust, as he Runs along the neighbourhood, saying if he had the 8 Dollars which William Harris's Scholars had, it would Make Herbert's Schooling tol lol And others so Much lower.</p> <p>Larry Sneden told Jon Lawrence Sturr ought to have principle enough to give up the School; without being turned out. George Lawrence Says he Sturr is a Man of No principle; And his conversation with Herbert Gesner on the 19th Instant was without Sense or Reason; that Herbert spoke just and reasonable</p>
<p>21 Cathy Mann the Bigot would Make a tolerable Smart Roman Cath. Priest Bare 21 facedness</p>	<p>Cathy Mann the female bigot told George Mann's Wife that they the Old side would soon have more Members and then they would do as they pleased meaning in the School District Concerns &c because Mistress Mann had Said it seemed the Old Side wanted to Rule the Neighborhood. This Old Young lady Seems pretty well qualified for priest or Pope.</p> <p>The bare faced impertinence practiced by the greater part of the Old Side, their Seeming Sanctity under all their Wicked Stratagems &c are truly despicable.</p>

Cathy Mann, the "female bigot," later became the 2nd wife of Jesse Trenchard the blacksmith



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David Tallman, Larry Sneden, John Willse are the New Trustees, chosen 3rd Instant George Quidor collector And George M. Lawrence Clerk of District No. 1 Rockland. These they say are unlawfully chosen, as at the last Dictrict Meeting it was Resolved or Appointed to be not in the 3rd Instant but next Spring; Altho, at this new Meeting, the large Meeting, all these Old School Officers were present and unanimously approbated the new election, and also the division of the money. Hence it is, that consultation with the leading Men of the bigotted party have thrown an unfavorable Aspect on the Meeting. The Men were not the Right Men to Answer these Bigotted and Sectarian designs in controlling the people to their own projects and designs: No doubt but Moses Taylor, a Jersey Man, is Sneakingly busy and Zebulon Woolsey. Not the least doubt to be Retained that if Zeb Woolsey, Trenchard and some other Bigot of their Sect &c had been chosen Trustees, on the 3 Instant, there would have been no illegality in it; As a Wicked designing set there has been more trouble abuse and lying in the District than ever was known altogether in this part of the country: Sturr their bad and favorite Teacher, altho a Preacher, but rather exhorter, of small Abilities, but of less principle and honour, without Manly conduct, unjust in his arguments about the late distribution of the school fund Money, running along the Road like a bigotted Novice exclaiming If I had the Money Harris's Scholars has gotten it would make it so Much lighter for my scholars He must be unjust in principle and a Simpleton

1835	Momento
Jan. 22	Clear and somewhat cold, wind NW this Morning, some Rain last Night Moderate Day
Measured 22 Lot for Hen. C	I Measured a lot of Ground for Henry Concklin
Jerry S. 22	Jerry Smith drew Wood and Brush for me to Day 3/4 Day
Jerry & 22 Margaret here 22 J. Law exposing Trenchard in his shop who present	Margaret Smith came here towards Night, she and Jerry Stay'd till good bed time Jonathan Lawrence, George Lawrence, Larry Sneden perhaps George Quidor not certain now in Jesse Trenchards Shop, Jonathan having Made previous enquiry Asked Trenchard Who had employed Sturr; Joshua Martin said he had not employed him at first, that he did not want him to teach; That himself (Jon Lawrence had not employed him, not having even been Asked and that then of course he (Trenchard) had or Must employed him at first, And Again that at this quarter just begun by Sturr Josh Said he had not himself Jon Lawrence had not, neither had any one of the New Trustees employed him. And Joshua said if he had 20 perhaps 50 to Send he would not send one to him; You are the only one that has done All the business, Trenchard was Much beat and confused &c this all in the presence of the Above persons.

1835	Momento
<p>Jan. 23</p> <p>23</p> <p>Sturr the old side local Preacher believing Reform Challenges Jon Law. to be a Mean Mischief making man & dare to say so &c told J. Willse</p> <p>his object & vanity</p>	<p>Clear and Moderate all Day, freezes a little in the Evening</p> <p>This Morning Mr. Sturr called at John Willses, being at the door, he told John Willse that he brought in his Account for Schooling; John Willse said Walk in and I'll pay you. Sturr soon Asked why he did not send his children as they were good children and easy governed, Willse Answered that his reasons Were because there was such trouble and confusion Made in the School, that he had concluded not to Send. Sturr Replied, and said Who has made the trouble, none but the Reformers have made all the trouble Willse Answered: I don't think so, I believe the Old Side has made it No Said Sturr, but they have, And Jonathan is a Mean Man going about in the neighbourhood making all the mischief. John Willse Said, I dont think so; Yes said Sturr, he J L is a Mean mischief making Man, and I dare say so John Willse Replied again I dont believe it, nor does the Neighbours think so, Sturr said, He has put Herbert Gesner up to abuse me and John Willse said I dont believe any such thing Sturr, Why you are Related together and apparently in a passion as he went out, exclaimed; he Jon Lawrence is a Mean Mischief Making Man and I dare to say it openly and above board and went off — This John Willse Related to Me this same day — NB This Sturr a local Preacher Old Side from every circumstance considered his influence to command Any measures attempted to Succeed; puffing himself up with an elevated opinion of himself, and the Nose led Members as a fortress of defence and Support for him; he thought no doubt by his conduct that nothing could withstand the efforts made, not any doubt but that he wanted to plant himself here and usurp over the School and the right of the Neighbourhood, and is nonsense</p>

1835	Momento
Jan. 23 It is reported sch. Ho. pulled Down	Jon told to some of Neighbors that he had understood that the School House was a Going to be pulled down over Sturrs head &c, Ask him John Willse
Sat. 24	Clear, a Handsome and Moderate Day
Trenchard 24 charging Reform	Jacob Gesner Said that Trenchard had said it was the Reformers that made All the trouble Ask Herbert
Measured 24 Lot &c	Measured a lot of Henry Concklin by School House
At Larry's 24 paid	At Larry's 14 lb Rye Meal 3 shillings and 1 quart Molasses 9 pence = 3 shillings 9 pence, Alfred got it
Sabbath 25	Overcast this Morning, Rain about 9 o'clock AM, Rain a little all Day, Muddy, wind SE
Pr. Mg. 25 at Jon. Law	Prayer Meeting At Jon Lawrences, Rainy. I, Jacob Gesner, Wheeler and Daughter Elizabeth, Margaret, Henry and Peggy, and family, good little Meeting
No one to 25 New landg. from Rock.	None Went up to Night to upper landing from Rockland
Bread & 25 Cake pd	In front 1 loaf Bread of George Gesner paid, and 5 shillings cake paid yesterday.

1835	Momento
<p>Jan. 25 Caty the Bigot trying to prevail on Joshua to keep Sturr in &c</p>	<p>2 or 3 Evenings ago, After old Side Meeting at Trenchards was out Caty Mann the Bigot steps up to Joshua Martin, says Aint you a going to Keep Sturr in the School, you know we want him to Stay; No Answers Joshua. I'm not going to keep him in nor put him out, I'll have nothing to do with it; And if I had 50 Children I wouldnt send one to him This Letty Post told Sally, as Letty was it appears at Joshua's house and heard him Say so This Cathy has become Renowned in endeavoring to secure the Right of usurpation over the neighbours, equal Rights in Mr. Sturr, and in that Society</p>
<p>Bets 25 Sneden Speech &c a false Assertion</p>	<p>This Afternoon John Willse at Stony Bridge told me that Bets Sneden had Said they were going to pull the School House down over Sturrs head; who they were, that was signified by the word "they" I know not, only they (Old Side) Assert that it is the Reformers that have made all the trouble, and Now the Sinners are joined with them; So the lying assertion insinuates the Reformers and the neighbourhood belonging to no sect</p>
<p>Mon. 26 Rain</p>	<p>Rained last Night, Clear and Moderate this Morning And Nice all Day. Afternoon Cloudy, towards Night foggy</p>
<p>Peter 26 Brush here</p>	<p>Peter Brush here to Day with his horse and a Waggon, his brotherinlaw a Haring with him, he brought me 2 letters one from Abraham Gesner Novascotia see over</p>

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<p>Jan. 26</p> <p>Henry Gesners letter & Abr. Gesners letter to me Money & I Paid postage</p>	<p>The one from Henry Gesner, dated September 3, 1834 and the one from Abraham Gesner Dated the 4th October 1834</p> <p>The letters have been long coming; their contents are that their families were Well; that Henry had sent 25 Dollars to Abraham for him to Send to Me; for me to use if necessary in My Opinion for him in the prosecution Against Vestry of the Trinity church as with My Self considered as heirs of the Widow Jantz. Abraham Gesner Writes that they have Agreed to send each 25 Dollars to proceed in the Above concern As I think best he further says, that his Son Henry is going to St. Johns New Brunswick, perhaps he will have an opportunity to send it to Mr. James Brush New York No 107 Troy Street for Me to Receive, I paid postage 50 cents + 10 and 20 cents for 2 others Received from Maria Gesner Abrahams daughter</p>
<p>26</p> <p>Jon. L to Day with Geo Law & John Willse Among the Neighbors &c</p>	<p>This Day Jonathan Lawrence with George M. Lawrence and John Willse went through the neighbourhood to enquire if they knew him ever to be a good for Nothing Mischief Maker in this place, Which Sturr an Old Side Preacher with Daring expression declared to John Willse Against Jon Lawrence Saying I can declare it openly and Above board that he Jon Lawrence is a Mean good for nothing Mischief Maker &c. The Neighbours declared they knew no such thing of him and, excepting Zebulon Woolsey and Jacob Sneden, they himd and Hayd a little; being asked what they knew, they Reluctantly acknowledged that they knew nothing certain &c</p>

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Jan. 27 Watkins Down	Nathaniel Watkins down, no collection of people at upper landing last Night. The Weather at Night Soft, Foggy with a little drizzling Rain, and exceeding Dark and Muddy. Sabbath Night.
Tues. 27	Clear and quite Moderate all Day, very Muddy, frost nearly all out of the Ground and the Ice in the River has broke Away a few Days Ago. One Sloop was seen sailing yesterday.
Another 27 dash at Reform	Old Mr. Cooper said to Gracy that John Willse's Wife Elizabeth had told him that they said that "The sinners had joined the filth of the earth."
Taylor 27 quite friendly	Moses Taylor uncommon friendly to Gracy, met her on the Road, Also to Jacob Post, they told me
N. Watkins 27 Pd. at Clarks	Nathaniel Watkins Preached at Clarks last Night he told me Said that there was a full house on Monday Evening
Ben Grv. 27 oxen	Ben Gravestine Oxen near 3/4 Day, wore one shoe of Sled off before, hurt the Runner some, it was Said 4 shillings
Old side 27 &c	The Old side it is said held at Jacob Snedens to Night a Consultation Meeting. Told me this Morning by Old Cooper
Oxes foot 27 hurt	Went Meeting at Jon Lawrences with oxen and Jacob Posts Waggon. Berry's Nicholas's ox foot got hurt under Jon Lawrences Shed at Night

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<p>Jan. 27 Nathl. Watkins Preachd. at Jon L</p>	<p>Nathaniel Watkins Preached at Jon Lawrences to Night, from Romans 1 and 16 "For I am not ashamed of the Gosple of Christ: for it is the power of God unto Salvation for every one that believeth." This was Again Another most excellent Sermon with an introduction beautifully illustrating the first Spread of the Gosple with an Ample refutation of the Roman Catholics Assertion that the Apostle Peter planted the first church at Rome &c. The house was filled (about 50) with an attentive Audience, and the most profound Stillness, concluded with a Short but Solemn and close Application. He is Admired as a Great preacher, a Man of uncommon Abilities, he came from Jon Lawrences to My house About 9 AM. Went Away with his horse About 11 AM for Haverstraw Doctor Hopson, Ivers, Mistress Ivers with the others there, very Muddy.</p>
<p>Wed. 28</p>	<p>Misty, thinly overcast this Morning, break away in Afternoon. Cloudy and Middling high Wind &c, a little cool</p>
<p>Thurs. 29</p>	<p>Clear and the Ground a little frozen this Morning. Moderate Day, very Muddy</p>
<p>John 29 Willse see over</p>	<p>John Willse called over this Morning enquiring whether I thought the new trustees had a lawful right to proceed on the business of the School I Answered the whole business was decided at the District Meeting on 3d January Instant</p>

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<p>Jan 29</p> <p>John Willse wanting My opinion on school Matters &c</p>	<p>And Since the objections by the Old Side Methodists since the unanimous concurrence of said Meeting which was a large and an Approved Meeting which at the time Trenchard and Zeb Woolsey and Joshua Martin Old Side School Officers and Jon Lawrence also one of Trustees were all present, And chose in new Trustees David Tallman, John Willse and Larry Sneden New Trustees and George Quidor Collector and George Lawrence Clerk And as the Meeting was held before the Resolve of last Annual Meeting for the better Accomodation &c And Again as the proceeding of the Meeting made no interruption with the requirements of the Law; it was my opinion that the Matter of holding the last Meeting was in every sense of the Law legal, And that Trenchard and Zeb Woolsey's objection to the legality of said Meeting originated from Bigotry, which ought to be abandoned out of our School Houses, And further, that My opinion is, that the new trustees should proceed under the Sanction of the Whole District a large Meeting and any opposition threats Made would testify who were the turbulent persons And that Trenchard, one of then Trustees, had not only Assumed the Sole prerogative of putting Sturr in, at the beginning getting wood &c without consulting the other Trustees, Namely Jon Lawrence a Reformer And Joshua Martin Old Side let Trenchard see to it; and not be too Hasty in this Wood Matter for there appeared more illegality in Trenchard do all the</p>

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<p>Jan 29</p> <p>continued</p> <p>My Remarks</p>	<p>business of the School without Mutual Consultation with all the trustees, than in holding the District Meeting for a better Accomodation before the time previously appointed, And all done unaminous and in Apparent Harmony the trouble existing being founded on Sectarianism; and opposition Against usurpation having been by them conceived, quite subversive of the future prospects of the Sole control of the School; and under all this great disquietude of the neighbours Sturr still continuing the School Supported by Jersey Old Side Scholars, is not only dishonorable as a Man I Mean Sturr to continue: But their the Jersey Old Side full determination to Support usurpation and control the School out of their State by their Children; what ought the neighbours even their own Members judge &c. Notwithstanding all these testimonials, against their own proceedings, their usurpation, their disquietude and Noise about the distribution of School Money, that William Harris's Scholars ought not to have had Any of it, who kept near 5 months in the same last year as well as Sturr, And that Sturrs Scholars ought to have all &c And that the proportion given to Harris's scholars himself gone to Geneva should come back to Sturr, although the distribution I present was unanimously agreed on to be just and correct, yes legal, Yet they say that Reform has made all the trouble. This lie in their Assertion can only be justified on the Ground that the neighbours including Reform are not willing in deed to acknowledge their Right of bigotted usurpation. What principle!</p>

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Jan. 30 Friday Thunder	This Morning Overcast Misty, Rains by 10 o'clock, About Midday Thunder and lightning, very hard Rain followed, late in the Afternoon foggy and Misty, in the Evening hard Rain high wind from eastward
Sheep 30 gone I Searched &c New 30 Trustees doing duty	My sheep gave me the slip yesterday Afternoon, I have Searched well in Mountain and elsewhere in this Wet Day and have not found them yet. I have understood the the New Trustees have been taken the Number of Children between 5 and 16 Years of Age.
Herbt Oxen 30	Herbert Oxen 3/4
Sat. 31 bad storm, Hard Rain Thunder &c	A very bad Storm all last Night nearly, very high Wind and hard Rain from the Southeastward
Bought 31 2 Pigs of Thom. Smith	Bought 2 pigs of Tom Smith, Agreed long ago before they were come in the World, fetched this Morning and paid 8 shillings for one and 9 shillings for the other. I say paid him 17 shillings They are 8 Weeks old to Night he said they are boar pigs
Old 31 Cooper oxen	Old Cooper Oxen Drew load from Jacob Posts Woods, he Went twice
Water in 31 my cellar	Water in My cellar with the hard last Rains up to cellar Steps

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Jan. 31 Ja Ges to Pond	Jacob Gesner Went this Afternoon to the Pond I expect to John Storm's to be at Meeting to Morrow
lightning 31 struck a barn 4 or 5 Miles back & burnt &c	I have understood that the same persons barn was burnt up last Night with lightning, as was burnt a few Years Ago, when there was a large Sum collected for his loss, notwithstanding it is said he is a Wealthy Man, he lives near Judge Perry's place, I think it is a Haring
Feb. 1	A Little Hazy and cold throughout the day and Night past
Pr. Mg. 1 Jon Law	Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences 10 o'clock AM a few there. I, Gracy, Mistress Cooper, Herbert Gesner, Mistress Gravestine, Margaret and Peggy and Lucy, also Brother Clark with the family
Upper 1 Landg. Pr. Mg. non Attendance	Jon Lawrence went up with Clark to upper Landing I did not Go, not very well no one Attended but Eley and James and a Coloured Girl with them, Our Members due us much Injury up there by non Attendance. Some Attend the Singing company in Baptist Meeting House Juliet I heard away at Old Side Meeting this Afternoon at Slote School House.

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Feb. 2	Cold and Ground hard this Morning, cool all Day
Mon. 2	Jacob Gesner Returned early this Morning about 10 AM from Storm's, went Saturday, see
Pig pen seen Sheep	I finished pig pen and Seen sheep in Mountain
at Larry's paid	At Larry's 3 1/2 lb Sugar 2 shillings 6 pence half quire paper 1 shilling, 1/2 lb Nails 4 pence 1 lb Candles and 1 quart Molasses 9 pence = 5 shillings 7 pence All paid Alfred fetched it
J Law cut timber	Jon Lawrence went back in Country to cut timber for Larry Sneden to Day, place called Paskauk
A Hint of Mr. Despot Sturr	Ive understood to Day that one or More of Old Side Members said Sturr was not going to give up the School and signified he would not out. Ask Jacob Gesner — He exhibits fully the unprincipled Man: without any honour; his conduct under the trouble and confusion his Activity and with him his Side friends in usurping An Absolute right over the District No 1 has Made, is still driving with Absolute Roman Catholic power with all Might and force
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Feb. 3	Clear and cold. Ground hard this Morning and all Day
Shod Sled	I Shod Sled to Day
I pain	I pain in Bowel and Back
Wed. 4 Cold	Clear and cold, Ground very hard all Day, wind North, very clear and a blue Sky
4 ox hurt	My ox Berry is lame, I think sprained his joint just above his right Hind leg, grows worse, he did it, I expect, under Jon Lawrences Shed the Night of the 27th January last, the Night Watkins preached at Jon Lawrences
Thurs. 5	Clear all Day and cold
Recd. the Life & Sermons of Whitfield paid Borrowed Geo Law	This Day I received The Life and Sermons of Whitfield. I subscribed for it some Months Ago. I paid the Man 21 shillings, his price was 22 shillings but when I Subscribed I told him, that I would give no more than 20 shillings &c NB This day I Borrowed 12 shillings of George Lawrence to Make up the Money for the Above Book, paid
Snow	Overcast at 9 begins to Snow and continues all Day wind N Easterly, not very cold, ground hard and in Road very Rough

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<p>Feb. 6 Mist. Stephens stay'd here Nt. &c</p>	<p>Mistress Stephens, once a Cook on board of Steam boat, Walked up from Fort Lee Day before Yesterday, came at My house about 8 at Night fatigued, Stay'd all Night, and Yesterday Morning. I had my horse and Herbert's Waggon to take her upon her Way to Nyack as far as Clarks, being Ready to Start with My Boy Alfred, that Moment Jim Coates her Son inlaw came with Waggon, having Received Word that She would tarry at My house.</p>
<p>Jerry & 6 Wheeler cut for Jonathan</p>	<p>Jerry and Wheeler cutting below White Birch &c for Jon Lawrence along David Concklins fence or Rather My fence below</p>
<p>Mary 6 Law Apples</p>	<p>Mary Lawrence here towards Night, fetched some pippins for Sweetmeats, Alfred helped her</p>
<p>Sat. 7 Cold</p>	<p>Clear and Cold this Morning, Wind NW, Snowed a little more last Night; About with Yesterdays snow 4 Inches</p>
<p>Jon Law 7 bk from Paskack</p>	<p>Jon Lawrence back from Paskack last Night, bad Walk Snow, bottom Rough</p>
<p>Sabbath 8</p>	<p>Clear and cold all Day, cold Weather</p>
<p>Pr Mg. at 8 Jon Law</p>	<p>Prayer Meeting Jon Lawrences 10 o'clock, a very good little Meeting, Henry, Mistress Cooper, Jacob Gesner, Wheeler, Margaret and Wynechy there, Wynechy seemed happy</p>

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Feb. 8 None to upper Landing	No one from Rockland to upper landing to Night It being very cold indeed Johnson told me that he had Preached to About 9 or 10
Mon. 9 Recd. of Peggy House Sneden	Clear as a Bell and very cold this Morning Received of Peggy Sneden House 14 shillings for going to Hackensack &c
Johnson 9 Pd. at Clarks	Johnson at Clarks, I understand that he Preached at Clarks an uncommon Sermon to Night. Henry Bell was here told Me he never heard him Preach so Well, a Good Company present.
Tues. 10 Paid Geo Law 12 sh	Paid George Lawrence 12 shillings I Borrowed, See the 5th Instant
Johnson 10 here Preachd at Jon L. to Nt	Johnson came at My house About 11 o'clock AM, preached to Night at Jon Lawrences, About 30, An excellent and affecting Sermon from John 4 Chapter 14 Verse This sermon was remarkably engaging and with the most tender Solicitation invited to Christ He went with Me in Swamp in Afternoon on Island where Jerry and Henry was cutting end Wood for Jacob Gesner.
Jerry & 10 Hen Conck cut for Jon L Obb Shod 10 Sorrel	Jacob Gesner Cut cord wood on the Island to, had Jerry and Henry Concklin. My Sorrel and Herberts Sled drew it off over the Ice, they Worked about 1/2 Day each Sorrel Shod to Day by Obb Cooper to Draw Wood out of Swamp

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Feb. 11 Wed.	Johnson Stay'd at Jon Lawrences last Night, came to My House About 9 or 10 AM then took his horse and Went on to John Storms's
Spit in 11 My back	Towards Night I got a Violent Stitch in my bowels and back, with just hold an Axe in My Right hand
11	Hazy, Sun shone Still not over Cold, towards Night grew more Overcast
Men 11 Walk over River	People Cross the North River at Snedens over Ice, River shut from Sunday last, was Open Nearly the Week before, The first of this Week very cold and the last Week especially latter part quite cold
Wheeler 11 1 load Wood	I and Wheeler in Swamp Afternoon on Island, as we Went down I let him have 1 load of White Birch to cut next David Concklins, along Bog meadow, When we came back from Island, he stop and cut it &c
Jerry & 11 Hen C cut cord W. for JG	Jerry and Henry Concklin 3/4 Day each on Island, cut cord wood for Jacob Gesner
at Larry's 11 paid	At Larry's 7 lb Wheat flour 2 shillings paid, Alfred fetched
Thurs 12 Snow	Clear Somewhat Hazy; had Snowed a little last Night just to Make the Ground white
Jerry Hen & 12 Ben helped me Gratis	Jerry, Henry and Ben Gravestine and Wheeler cut black Alders on the Ice in Swamp for a little, they came of their Own Accord, came About 10. Wheeler an hour Sooner, all Drawed off the Ice

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Feb. 13 Friday	Overcast all Day appears for foul
13 My back & Bowels very bad	My Back and Bowels miserable bad with what I used to call the Spit in the back. I never had it Worse, could not turn and the least Motion on any part of My body, excited the Most Violent pain and Spasms through My bowels back and very bad in My left side of Abdomen, could neither Stir nor Move &c
Jerry & 13 Hen for Ja Ge	Jerry and Henry Concklin cut Again for Jacob Gesner on the Island About 3/4 Day cord Wood, he used the Sorrel and Herbert's Sled each Day to Draw off
Swamp 13 Hard	The Swamp has not been better in many years to go on With team &c this Whole Week
Pr Mg. 13 Hen Conck to Nt. Wheeler Temperance Meeting &c Sat. 14	Prayer Meeting at Henry Concklins to Night, I could not get out of the house was in Awful Situation with bowels and back Gracy there, Jacob Gesner and Wife, Margaret, Jon and Sally. But Isaac Wheeler had to Attend the temperance Meeting Old Side Church in preference
	Overcast cold all Day
Jerry & 14 Hen getting Brush	Jerry and Henry Concklin to Day Getting for themselves the cord Wood Brush on Island, had horse Afternoon Draw it off. Some Misunderstanding about the Brush

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<p>Feb. 14 at Larry's paid Sally & 14 J. Law here Doctors with me Sabbath 15</p>	<p>At Larry's 1 pint Gin good I paid to put on Poke berrys for My back &c Sally and Jon Lawrence here to Night, Gave Me medicine 3 doses And twice an Injection. I was bad 1 and 3 at Night Overcast cold all Day not much wind</p>
<p>Pr. Mg. 15 Jon Law</p>	<p>Prayer Meeting Jon Lawrences 10 o'clock. I neither Gracy there, I was ill with Pain. Jacob Gesner and Wife, Mistress Cooper, Wheeler, Margaret, Henry, Brother Clark, Mistress Rice and family present I was told</p>
<p>My back 15 bowels bad</p>	<p>My bowels and back very bad indeed, not able to turn in bed, not able to put on or off any clothes, not even cough Without the Most acute pain and Spasms through My Bowels, kidneys back and any position of my body excessively painful, and the least change of position, bowing the head, Raising the Arm &c excites a Most excruciating Misery</p>
<p>At N. landg. 15 no Meeting</p>	<p>I was not up to New landing to Night very ill. I understand there had been no Meeting</p>
<p>Mon. 16 Hail Rain &c</p>	<p>Overcast having Snowed Rained And hailed some last Night, Drisley this Morning, Wind N Easterly tolerable good riding, with the hail, Rain and freezing, Misty all Day</p>

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<p>Feb. 16 Dutch Wm. wood for Ja Ges &c</p>	<p>Dutch William with Johnny Lawrences team, drew one load Cord Wood from below to River for Jacob Gesner to Day; and himself one with Oxen to front of house; it Rained</p>
<p>Ja Riker 16 Return of eggs</p>	<p>Jacob Riker Made Return of Eggs to Day which he took down to New York with Waggon for Jacob Gesner 20, and for Gracy 43 at 7 for 1 shilling 9 pence, he took of 9 pence for his trouble, leaves 8 shillings 3 pence.</p>
<p>At Larry 16 Cod fish paid</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner got at Larry's to Day for Gracy 3 lb scant Codfish, paid 8 pence in full for it of Egg Money of Gracy</p>
<p>I'm very 16 ill forenoon Aft. better</p>	<p>This Morning very ill indeed, never worse with this ailment in kidney and Back since Wednesday last near Night till at present Seems a little better this Afternoon</p>
<p>16 Meth. Epis Temperance Society formed Isaac Wheeler the 1st that subscribed Refused an office yet afterwards gave up his family little and Big</p>	<p>Methodist Episcopal temperance Society formed at their Meeting House at Rockland lately About 15 or 18 joined the first Evening. John Cohagen (Ive understood delivered a Discourse &c, Isaac Wheeler a Member and Licensed Preacher in the Methodist Protestant church joined this first Meeting a Member of said temperance Society being first on the list — When Officers were to be Chosen, John Cohagen apprehending Wheeler quite competent to fill an Office, first held up Wheeler and put it to a Vote; And not one Aye was heard in the Whole Assembly; But a perfect Silence took place; Lawrence Mann Old side Was held up &c and the Meeting house Rang with Ayes; Yet I have been told that since he has his whole family entered as Members little and big</p>

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<p>Feb. 17 Rain and freezing all Ice trees &c</p>	<p>Rainy this Morning and has been the whole of the preceding Night; but froze as it came down on the Hail Already on the Ground, and this Morning the Ground is nothing but one Glade of Ice. And the trees laden with Ice Wind Northeasterly</p>
<p>17 See the 16th Conversation with Wheeler on his joining Temperance Society an injury to Reform &c</p>	<p>This day Brother Wheeler told me I had been wrong informed, instead of his whole family little and big see 16 only his Wife and Elizabeth Ann About 14 or 15 Years old and Aaron About 16 &c Had long conversation with him not on the impropriety of a Temperance Society by no Means; but on the injury which Reform was likely to Sustain by his joining the temperate Society Attached to the Methodist Episcopal Meeting House at Rockland; When himself being nominated for An Office, had not one Voice, Altho Competent But the Whole Assembly considering themselves in the Methodist Episcopal Meeting House no Doubt lay under impressions Subservient to its Members &c there present, And as soon as they, Old Side, were Nominated, the house Rang With Ayes &c He plead that it was not Attaching himself to their church, by no Means but to a thing that was General all over, And did not believe it could prove an injury to Reform I Answered: he was free; but from every circumstance already taken place, they the leading part of old Side have exercised every low cunning and Stratagem in practicing all their Sordid Crafts to Make every Institution master or thing Subservient to their Interest with evident Marks of particular design to destroy reform, and the Society was under the Rule of old Side Officers; And it lay Men and Women under certain obligations &c &c</p>

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<p>Feb. 17 Ja G 1 load to River</p> <p>Jacob Gesner very ill</p> <p>Jon Law came &c</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner having taken a load of Wood from front of House to River with Oxen and Sled, he got ill with his Side before he Returned dusk And to Night till 10 or 11 o'clock he was very bad with his Old pain in Side, with Cramps and excruciating Misery, And Apparent fits or faintings. This Complaint has frequently appeared to Me to be in the Intestine; but probably it is in the lead in of the Urine from Kidney to Bladder, however there Appears no Symptoms in the urine; neither Any inconvenience in the discharge of urine, But when Much Ailing with pain it Appeared he had Rather a Oftener Occasion of Discharge, Which is common where pain is; he is indeed An Afflicted Man, Jon Lawrence was sent for Alfred Went Rain and Dark he came, Jacob Gesner was some better, however he came and Gave Medicine, Stay'd good While Went Home About 11 O'clock at Night.</p>
<p>At Herbt's 1/2 pt. Rum unpd</p>	<p>At Herberts to Night for Jacob Gesners Side 1/2 pint Rum unpaid</p>
<p>Wed. 18 Trees &c</p>	<p>Overcast but appear to break away a little in the west this Morning, Some Rain last Night, tops of Trees in Mountains White with Ice, but on low land, the trees Shook off their load Yesterday Afternoon. But does not clear.</p>
<p>Ja Ges 18 better</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner Some considerable better this Morning</p>
<p>Ja Ges 18 Wood to River Drawed & Richard</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner brought up one load yesterday to front of house of Cordwood took it to Snedens this Morning with oxen &c Richard Van Wickle and himself each 2 loads to River with my 2 teams to River from below and each 1 to front of House for the 1 load crossed in the 2 lines see head of page</p>

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Feb. 19 long Overcast	Overcast this Morning early. Breaks Away some by 9 o'clock AM not Cold NB from the 11th Instant, especially from the 13th All the time till now Overcast &c
J. Ges 19 Wood to River now 8 loads	Jacob Gesner and Alfred took the 2 loads brought last Evening from below to front of house, to River, there is 8 loads there now
Ja. G. & 19 Geo. Qui. to draw & Rich to split	Jacob Gesner, George Quidor Junior took the two team, Went down for More cord Wood And Richard to Split below. Richard perhaps 1/2 Day Went late quit early
Ja Ges & 19 Geo Quid each 4 loads more now 16 loads	Jacob Gesner and George Quidor each took 4 loads to Day from below, with my Oxen and Horses, and with James Harings and Jacob Posts Waggons besides the Above. Now there is 16 loads down.
Fri. 20 Pleasant	Clear this Morning, Ground frozen hard not very cold, Appears pleasant, nice Day, grows Muddy
Ja. Ges. 20 & Hen Conck 3 loads to river now 19 loads	Henry Concklin here After 10 AM to Draw wood to Landing for Jacob Gesner, Jacob Gesner fetched the first load up to house, Henry went to Meet him over Gulley and Jacob Gesner was up near the brook, Henry came up with him to the house, then Henry took it to the River with Oxen. Fetched 1 More from below to River and 1 from below to house, then Jacob Gesner and Alfred took it to the River, grew Dark = 3 loads

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Feb. 20 Richd. Work for Me	Richard Van Wickle says this Morning being here that he worked 2 Days last Summer in Hay, 2 Days in Dung before, a 1/2 Day in Raking and tying Oats last season and 1 1/2 Day for Jacob Gesner this Week in Cord wood ie 1 Day Drawing 2 loads from below to River and 1 load from front of House to River, and also 3/4 Day Cradling old orchard NB Jacob Gesner and George Quidor drew each 4 load to River from below and 1 from Door, most as Much Again in 1 Day
Richd. to Me	Richard Van Wickle on old Accounts 10 shillings 6 pence to me 2 1/2 bushels ears of Corn = 7 shillings 6 pence, to Day 1 Bushel potatoes, 4 shillings
Ja Ges 20 ill	Jacob Gesner Considerably ill last Night About between 2 and 4 o'clock
21	Clear, somewhat Hazy, Cold, Alfred took Jacob Harings Waggon home this Morning, proves a Warm handsome Day
21	I Measured off the lot for Henry Concklin Accurately
At Larry's 21 unpaid	Yesterday at Larry's 14 lb Wheat flour and 1/2 Gallon Molasses, flour 4 shillings and Molasses 1 shilling 6 pence = 5 shillings, 6 pence unpaid but 1/2 lb Candles paid
Sabbath 22	Muddy and Warm, Clear and a little Smoaky this Morning
Richd. Oxen	Richard Van Wickle Oxen yesterday 1 load Wood

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Feb. 22 Pr. Mg. Jon Law	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences 10 o'clock, only a few, Gracy, Mistress Cooper, Wheeler and Wife, Margaret, Henry and Jonathan's family I was not there, being very lame in My back, neither Jacob Gesner nor his wife. I intended to go; but Jacob Gesner being ill with his Side, I thought it best to Stay
Watkins 22 at New Landg.	At New Landing Watkins Preached to Night About 20 Text he told me was, 145 Psalm "The Lord preserveth all those that love him" None from Rockland I getting better with My back
Mon. 23	Overcast this Morning, not cold. Midday and all Afternoon Clear and warm
Our Cord 23 Wood	Jacob Gesners Wood and Mine to NY, About 4 Cord, with Larry Sneden and William Sneden
Tues. 24	Overcast partly in Morning, clear and Warm from 11 or 12 o'clock
Watkins 24 here	Watkins came here about 10 AM with horse
Pd. 24 at Jon Law	Watkins Preached at Jon Lawrences to Night to a large Congregation of upwards of 100 Hearers on the Subject of election and unconditional Reprobation from

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<p data-bbox="289 289 386 321">Feb. 24</p> <p data-bbox="196 365 375 926"> Nathaniel Watkins Expounding the 9th Ch of the Rom. as not designed by the Apostle to signify unconditional Reprobation & but Referring to time things &c </p> <p data-bbox="215 974 342 1041"> Solemn Attention </p>	<p data-bbox="428 296 1430 363">the 9th Chapter Romans And 22 and 23 Verses “What If God Willing to Shew his Wrath &c”</p> <p data-bbox="428 373 1430 1087"> In this Discourse the Whole Connection of the Chapter was Minutely brought and in Consideration, Shewing forth in them not the eternal condemnation of Men as Supported by the Calvinists as preordained by God from All Eternity, but of Jacob and Esau a National and temporal Device &c &c This most intricate and difficult point of Doctrine was not only Judiciously Managed, but had every tendency to accord with the General tenor of the Sacred Writings, even those of the Apostle Paul himself, Who declared that Christ tasted Death for every Man. and also “As I live with the Lord I have no Pleasure in the Death of a Sinner but that he turn from the evil of his Way and live &c” with many observations on the Jewish Claim as having or Rather Claiming among the Nations and especially the Apostles concerning the Romans of Sovereignty of God in Choosing or Electing Men to certain Offices and as designating Nations by individuals that these Devices was in consequence of sin. This Judgment on Pharoah; The father making over Vessel to honour and another to Dishonour. Nothing in all this Alluding to a future State or the unconditional Reprobation of Man On his secret and Revealed Will, He knows nothing of a Secret Will and Wished Any one to Make it Known, for when one knows it was No More Secret, but the Bible was his Revealed, and Challenged Any Man to come forward and prove those things Against which he had testified &c &c, a great Discourse </p>

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Feb. 25 N Watkins Went away	Nathaniel Watkins stay'd at Jon Lawrence's last Night. William Lawrence came for his horse, I went up to Jon Lawrences and sat with Him a While, he Went away from Jon Lawrences little after 12 o'clock, first Ate Dinner
Wheeler 25 and Wife here	Isaac Wheeler and Wife here on Visit this Afternoon, Mistress Wheeler has not been here in 5 or 6 Months before, her Child she says is now About 10 Weeks old.
Eley & 25 Juliet &c Collection 25 8 sh 7 pence	Juliet and Eley and son James at Meeting last Night Collection last Night for Support of Gosple was only 8 shillings 7 pence in a Congregation of perhaps not short of 110 persons; it may be that many did not know it &c, In hands of Jon Lawrence
Thurs. 26	Clear and Ground froze and very Rough this Morning, Some White frost
John 26 Green Acknowledged Deed &c	John Green and Charlotte Gesner here this Morning. He and Charlotte Witnessed a Deed from Myself and Gracy to Henry Concklin, opposite the School House a Quarter or thereabout of An Acre of Land on East Side of Road, Joining Jacob Post. John Green Acknowledged the Same, the Deed contained a proviso that I Should have Refusal in case of Sale &c

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<p>Feb. 26</p> <p>Henry Concklin's Mean Conduct respecting the paying for a lot went by his own Offer for J. Green to Acknowledge the Deed, Says he could get a lot at River: I'll not run after him &c</p>	<p>Henry Concklin here this Afternoon, enquired Whether the deed Was Ready himself went up to get John Green to come down to Acknowledge the Deed I Answered Yes. I asked whether he had brought the Money Along, he Answered be sure I have, I got the Deed, laid it on the Table, and he pulled out of his pocket some bills, and said here is 31 Dollars. I counted it; I Answered there was 31 Dollars and 9 Yet wanting to Make 40, he said Yes, and said When Larry Sneden comes from New York he would get the 9 of him And bring it to Me, I told him as the Deed contained a full Receipt for the 40 Dollars Agreed on, it would be best I thought to give him a Receipt for the 31 and bind Myself and him &c to Deliver a Good Deed When the 9 Should be paid. Jacob Gesner present Answered that I had better give Henry a Note for the 31 Dollars &c. To Which he Made no Reply; I told him I thought either Way would be sufficient and Safe, he could do as he had a Mind to do. He said he would take the Money with him And when Larry came up he Would get the Rest 9 Dollars And come and Make it Right — so He went off on this errand and stops at old Coopers, told him he had laid down 31 Dollars and that I would not trust him for the 9, that 31 Dollars was enough for the lot, And that he was not going to Run After me or it Again, that I would have to come to him Now, and that very shortly, for he could get a place at the River Now, And that he would go and tell Peggy of it, and she would say to him, to have nothing to do with it From Comparing the Whole together it is evident that his intention was to give the 31 Dollars take the Deed and promise to pay the rest when Larry came up and I might get the rest if I could.</p> <p>Of this Judge Ye, He went for Green Monday</p>

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<p>Feb. 27 Book Pedlars Jon Law declines taking Whitfields Memoirs &c on the ground of condition Made when Subscribed</p>	<p>Two Book and Map pedlars at Jon Lawrence's last Night; The one the Man of Whom I got the Memoirs and Sermons of Whitfield, price 22 shillings. Jon Lawrence had subscribed Conditionly for the same Book that as he crowded for Jon Lawrence to Subscribe and would like for him to Subscribe, Jon Lawrence told him at the time he would not be bound to take the book unless it was convenient at the time when the Book should be Delivered, As Money was not always in hand &c. This Jon Lawrence told me shortly After I had Subscribed. The Man last evening I present said that he did not Recollect Any such condition. I Answered that the same condition Jon Lawrence Related shortly after he was Round with Subscription paper. Jon Lawrence However concluded not to take the book as it proved not convenient And the Condition could be proved &c &c</p>
<p>Fri. 27 Snow</p>	<p>Cold Snow Storm from NNE has every appearance of a large Snow this Morning. The Snow fine and very Dry — Continued to Snow all Day More or less, Clear in the Evening, cold</p>
<p>Wheeler 27 oxen Will Sneden brought 1 Bar. Rye fl. for Me</p>	<p>Wheeler Oxen 1 load Wood from bog Meadow I gave him, took it for Shanty, He brought up from River for Me 1 Barrel Rye Meal, William Sneden brought up from New York for Me, paid With Wood money and had not sold Much of the Wood, going down soon again.</p>

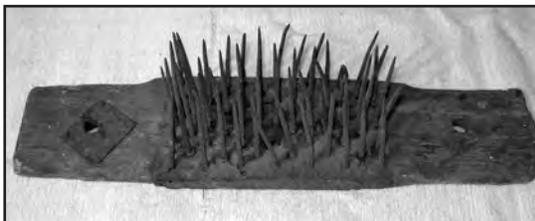
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<p>Feb. 28</p> <p>Quarterly 28 Meetg. Haverstraw</p> <p>Ja Ges 28 & Jon Law Quart. Mg.</p> <p>Gracy 28 Sick & Betsy Dunged 28 Out the Stable</p> <p>Mar. 1</p> <p>1</p> <p>Pr. Mg. Jon Law</p>	<p>Clear And Cold, the Snow of Yesterday About 4 Inches all Day Cold</p> <p>To Day Quarterly Meeting at Haverstraw</p> <p>Jacob Gesner and Jonathan Lawrence early with my Mare to Quarterly Meeting, before Sun Rise. I am very lame in My back and did not go</p> <p>Gracy sick full of pain 2 Days. Betsy Sick &c</p> <p>Yesterday Afternoon Dunged out Horse and ox Stable.</p> <p>Clear and cold all Day</p> <p>Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences 10 o'clock. Only Myself, Mistress Pearce, Wheeler and family; Jon and Jacob Gesner to Quarterly Meeting Ely came at Jon's just 12 o'clock Gracy not well, Betsy's face swollen &c, not there neither Lucy, Margaret, Peggy or Henry nor Mistress Cooper</p>
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<p>March 1</p> <p>1</p> <p>Pr. Mg.</p> <p>upper Landg.</p> <p>Martin 1 Hagen poorly &c</p> <p>Mon. 2</p> <p>My back 2 weak &c</p> <p>Tues. 3 Cold</p>	<p>Gracy better also Betsy</p> <p>Prayer Meeting upper Landing to Night. Myself and Wheeler went up from Rockland. Eley, Juliet, Emaline and few others 3 or 4, Small About 13 or 14 Wheeler exhorted &c very cold. We I and Wheeler was coming back no fire, house locked, Day light nearly off and cold — Met Some and Returned Again we were as far as Philip Servants the tavern on this side, got the key and fire at Philips &c. Jon Lawrence, Jacob Gesner and Derick Clark not back from Quarterly Meeting at Haverstraw</p> <p>Martin Hagen exceedingly poorly with an inflammatory Rheumatism, 6 or 7 Days already</p> <p>Clear and cold. River almost shut with Ice</p> <p>My back very Weak yet, And Shoulders very painful with Rheumatic pains</p> <p>Clear and Cold this Morning NB The last of February and 1st Days of March as Yet very cold.</p>

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<p>Mar. 3 Jerry & Cose helped Draw Alders</p>	<p>Cose came this Morning to help Draw from below cut in Swamp Black Alders, after the first load Jerry came to help and stay'd till Dusk, he came About 10 = 3/4 nearly. Cose helped till little After 12, Cose went once with me and twice with Jerry, near 1/2 Day, for which work he was to have use of Oxen Jerry helped Draw 5 loads Alder brush, I went once with Cose, twice with Jerry and Jerry went once Alone.</p>
<p>Ja Ges 3 & Jon Law back from Quart. Mg.</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner back from Quarterly Meeting at Haverstraw, a little before Sun set to Day and Jonathan Lawrence</p>
<p>Wed. 4</p>	<p>Clear and very cold this Morning and All Night, the River is Blocked with Ice</p>
<p>Jerry 4 help</p>	<p>Jerry Smith again Drawing Black Alders from below 3/4, his little Son Robert with him to Day and Yesterday</p>
<p>Ja Ges 4 to Haverw. again</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner before 12 o'clock Started Again for Haverstraw with My Mare. Pierson was to continue to Preach there yet this Night coming</p>
<p>11 loads 4 Brought</p>	<p>Now we have 11 loads of Alders Drawed with Oxen and Sled</p>

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March 4 Jon Law to see Martin Hagen &c	Jonathan Lawrence being sent for Went to see Martin Hagen, he had the inflammatory Rheumatism bad &c
5	Clear and Still but very cold this Morning, About 9 it grew More Mild; Heavy frost this Morning
5 Jerry here helped Again 1/2 D	Jerry here early this Morning, Drew 4 loads Black Alder; one of Which from the Orchard which was thrown off there, being too heavy to bring quite home with Sled: Ground bear from Burying Ground; This makes 15 loads he helped 1/2 Day, all with Sled
Jerry went for himself bean poles	5 Jerry went After Dinner to cut a load of Black Alders for himself for bean poles in My Swamp
Jac Ges Shote &c	5 Jacob Gesners Young Shote About 3 or 4 Months Old broke out of pen long Road
Ja Ges bk. Again Pierson	5 Jacob Gesner back from Haverstraw Again, pronounces Pierson the Greatest preacher he ever heard, the People who are no Professors Admire him &c

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<p>March 5 Pierson a Great Reform Preacher &c</p>	<p>Brother Pierson Methodist Protestant Preacher Attended the Quarterly Meeting at Haverstraw, And by Accounts from Jacob Gesner and Jon Lawrence he is a Great Man as a Preacher, one that exceeds all in Preaching they ever heard, and bringing the Subject matter to the hearts and Consciousness of the hearers, tears Abundant in the Congregation, And so esteemed, that Men not belonging to Any Society, offered if he can be Got on the Circuit. The next Conference year will Give from 5 to 20 Dollars per Annum. Several Men of the first Standing have solicited his coming to see them &c &c</p>
<p>Richd. Oxen 5 Ja Haring oxen</p>	<p>Richard Van Wickle Oxen and Sled 2 loads from above and helped Jacob Haring and John Powles With Oxen and big Whitewood log</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>Clear and cool appears for a pleasant Day. Midday very Warm from 10 to 4 o'clock</p>
<p>Jerry 6 Drew Alders for Jon Law</p>	<p>Jerry came early to Draw Black Alders for Jon Lawrence from My Swamp; The Roads this Morning like a Hitchel, frozen hard, hardly fit for Oxen, he waited a While, Ate Breakfast at My house, He Drew With Herberts Waggon and My Oxen 3 loads</p>
<p>Old Side 6 planning to keep Sturr</p>	<p>I've understood that the Old Side have made up between 80 and 100 Dollars for their beloved Sturr, and that the Shed part of Old Jacob Concklins House they are About to fix or Offer to him to teach their School, apparently to break up the School District No 1 at Rockland</p>

NOTE: A "hitchel" or hatchel is a device with many spikes used for combing flax or hemp. Nicholas is comparing the icy road surface to a spiky hitchel.



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March 6 Betsy wt. out	Jacob Gesners Wife Went out this forenoon With her Mother
7 Hail Rain Snow	Overcast this Morning, Wind Northeastward Raw cold, About 11 or 12 to Day began to Rain by single drops, shortly almost at first mixed with hail; continued hailing with some Rain till Middle of Afternoon then it Snowed large flakes till Evening, more or less. Wind About NE by N and pretty High
Peter 7 Rikers Vendue in Squires hands	Peter Riker Stop at My house on his Way to the Squire with widow Margaret Parsels Vendue Book. I owe for the Stove 50 shillings, John Parsels Deceased owes Me 4 shillings for Writing done for him before he Died.
Sabbath 8	Nearly Clear this Morning, ground just covered with hail and Snow in a Crust. The Wind high NW, that is NW by N
Pr. Mg. 8 Jon Law	Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences at 10 o'clock AM. Wheeler And Daughter Elizabeth, Margaret, Jacob Gesner and Wife, Myself And Gracy, with the family composed the Meeting. Henry Concklin to Old Side church this Morning
Johnson 8 upper Landg. & at Clarks	I did not go to upper landing to Night, Johnson there And Preached he told Me perhaps to 25 or 30, from Job 22 Chapter and 21 Verse, he said there might have been More, He Preached at Brother Clarks on Monday Night following

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March 9 Snow	Thick overcast all Night past, Began to Snow very hard at 10 o'clock AM, nearly all Day more or less, being heavy and wet much Melted, About 2 or 3 Inches thick
9 To Night I say last Nt. took 2 loads wood to River Ja Ges & self	Last Night at 1 o'clock I got up, very dark, fetched some Nut cord Wood over the Bottom with Lanthorn, I and Alfred, I and Jacob Gesner took each a load nut and a little Ashwood, I with my horses and Herberts Waggon And Jacob Gesner with my Oxen and Jacob Posts Waggon to River Down there before 4 o'clock. Remarkable Dark, the Boat pettiauger did not float so as to Get off we throwed the wood on public Dock; to Day 1/2 load mostly Nut some Ash I took down, there is now about 2 loads Nut and some Ash Wood.
Jerry 9 Oxen for Jon L	Jerry came About 8 at half past 9 AM had Oxen to Draw more Black Alders for Jon Lawrence
Sally here 9	Sally here this morning very early
at Larry's 9	At Larry's 1 lb Candles 1 shilling unpaid Alfred got
Tues 10 Snow heavy Snow 11 Inches	Still continues Overcast no Wind, neither Rains nor Snows; It first Drifted a little then began to Snow about 10 o'clock AM very large flakes, Smartly continued Snowing in large flakes till About 2 or 3 o'clock PM when it grew finer and More Drifting And Snowed very fast, at Night a heavy Snow, continues to Snow in the Evening a While, Ceases Snowing before bed time, Snow 14 Inches Deep

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March 10 Johnson & Wife at J Law	Johnson and Wife came this Morning About 10 to Jonathan Lawrences With Waggon, William Lawrence fetched the horse and Waggon to My House, it was then Snowing
No Pg. 10 at JL	No Preaching at Jon Lawrences to Night by Harvey Johnson, a Deep snow And Stormy, no one came through the Storm
Wed. 11 Snow 11 Inches better	Partly Clear early, clouds from NW, Very Warm when sun comes out, did not Snow but little in the first of the Evening last Night. The Snow is perhaps the Deepest we have had the past Winter, Nearly 12 Inches deep, I Measured Several places and found it About 11 1/4
Obb 11 Oxen 3/4 Day	Obb the Oxen little after 8 AM deep snow had them till Night. Jacob Riker helped him draw wood. Whether Obb intends the use of Oxen as a lift or not I dont yet know, he used them More than 3/4 Day a little

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<p>March 11 Nathaniel Watkins And Wife came Down from Haverstraw Watkins Returned Johnson & Wife & Mist. Watkins came here &c</p>	<p>Nathaniel Watkins and his Wife came down Yesterday With Rockland Steam Boat, land at Slote long Dock or Mouth of Creek , Walked through the Deep Snow to Phebe Snedens, stay'd there all Night, this Morning hired a Sleigh and came up to Sally's. I sent My horse Mare and Herbert's pleasure Sleigh to fetch Harvey Johnson and Wife from Sally's to My House. Watkins had to fulfil an Appointment, had to Return this Day. Brother Johnson took My Horse and the Sleigh, which was now at Jonathan Lawrence's and took Brother Watkins Down to Mouth of Creek, he Went on Board the Rockland, Johnson Returned And himself and Mistress Johnson, and Also Mistress Watkins, came down in the Sleigh to My House this Afternoon. Johnson and Wife Stay'd all Night. Mistress Watkins went in Evening to Sally's with Sleigh; Mary Lawrence being here went home with her.</p>
<p>Thurs. 12</p>	<p>This is also a Warm Day, a little Hazy, Snow Melts away very fast, early it was quite good Riding &c</p>
<p>12 Sorrowful Farewell parting with Johnson & Wife</p>	<p>Harvey Johnson and Wife left my house About 10 o'clock this Morning with Waggon and Horse, not expecting to come Again, bid Jacob Gesner and Wife farewell after Prayer; I and Gracy went up to Jon Lawrences with them, tarried and took Dinner; Jon Lawrence sick in bed. After Prayer with Much energy, a sorrowful parting took place, in a flood of tears and with Language truly Affecting, And the heart Rending expressions of Jon Lawrence on his bed, gave additional Sorrow on the parting word, farewell. Mistress Watkins stay'd to tarry untill Nathaniel Watkins came for preaching.</p>

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March 12 Bot Hymn Book for Sarah Anne Moison	I Bought Methodist Protestant Hymn Book for Sarah Ann Moison for 3 shillings of Brother Johnson; Gracy owed her 2 shilling 6 pence, and the Journal of the General Conference held 1834 for 1 shilling 3 pence = 4 shillings 3 pence Paid
Borr. of 12 Herbt. 4 sh 3p	Borrowed the Above this Morning of Herbert Gesner, paid the 4 shillings 3 pence the 17 Instant
Friday 13	A little Hazy this Morning, Ground a little frozen
Potatoes 13 for Herbt.	Let Herbert have 1 Bushel potatoes last Night
Eliza Willse 13 To N York	Eliza Willse and her Father to New York yesterday
Sat. 14 Snow almost Gone	Clear, the Ground frozen this Morning but very handsome and Moderate, The Snow is nearly gone Where exposed in the Warm Sun beams
of Herbt 14 Salt Hay	This Morning of Herbert Gesner a Small load Salt Hay
14 Annual School Distr. Mg. the same chosen in &c	The Annual School district Meeting No 1 at 3 o'clock PM, nearly all belonging to the District Met, and after some conversation Chose in the same school officers as Were chosen in on the 3d of January last. After the Said Meeting on the 3d of January when all was unanimously Agreed to, there was a Route Made that the Meeting was not lawful; for at the last Annual Meeting it was Resolved to be on this Day the 14th of March 1835

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<p>March 14</p> <p>Remarks on the School Usurpation</p> <p>Old Side Meth. Prospects lost</p> <p>Zeb & Trenchard not in attendance</p>	<p>And Made by the Old Episcopal Methodists that the Old trustees must serve, Using this as a project, Jesse Trenchard employs Isaac Sturr on his Own Authority to commence Another Quarter About the 18th or 19th of January last which date see and no Doubt with premeditation to entitle Sturrs children to their quota of the School fund Money, probably expecting that he would continue to finish the quarter as 3 Months would entitle them — Not One of the Officious bigots Met at this Afternoon Meeting, I mean Zebulon Woolsey and Trenchard. The insults and lies, and the Spirit of usurpation, and dishonourable conduct exercised to Thrust by any means and in any way every thing before them to establish their usurped power over the Rights of the Neighbourhood; became disgustful and excited the general Cry to have Sturr out of the School as a teacher, being this last quarter put in contrary to the Wish of the people of the District, And he supported by the Old Side, and them Sending their children out of Jersey to continue him, The Meanness of the conduct being much Spoken Against, no doubt prevented Master Zeb and Trenchard of Attending the Meeting, as no prospect was now left, Altho he Zebulon Woolsey had previous to this Meeting proposed David Mann, Johnny Lawrence And Abraham Clark for trustees, This proposal of his he soon found would not succeed and Therefore did not Attend (he Zeb was the Old District Clerk). Johnny Lawrence, an inoffensive Old Man Was easily nose led by Zebulon and David Mann by Caty and Rest of family so that Zeb who thought they were the proper persons to harmonize the Neighbourhood excepting Clark were the proper Men to continue the usurpation</p>
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The old David Mann house on Oak Tree Road, destroyed when the Palisades Parkway came through. When built, it was a smaller stone house.

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<p>March 14</p> <p>Jon Law giving a Statement of real facts &</p> <p>Those who Attended this School Meeting</p> <p>Herbt. Moderator</p> <p>Joe Dubois just in D Tallman</p>	<p>Jon Lawrence exposed the source and Origin of the School troubles by a quite lengthy Detail of the Most material part of the Stratagems insults practiced as the Sole cause of all the troubles, by Episcopal Methodists, in the Most judicious Manner Showing that the charge of his being cause of Making all the difficulty, together with Reform proves false, he fully explained the low cunning of the turbulent party And with such testimony as the Neighbours were all persuaded by what had been transacted to be correct. This was a unanimous Meeting, no interruption nor opposition Raised Against Lawrence's Discourse, being founded on Reason and truth As near as I can Recollect the following were the persons at this Meeting Night</p> <table data-bbox="519 703 1218 1008"> <tr> <td>Larry Sneden</td> <td>David D. Mann</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Benjamin Gravestine</td> <td>William Herbert Gesner</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Isaac Wheeler</td> <td>Jacob Post</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Jerry Smith</td> <td>John Willse</td> </tr> <tr> <td>David G. Mann</td> <td>Jacob Gesner</td> </tr> <tr> <td>John D. Concklin</td> <td>Lucas Cooper</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Jonathan Lawrence</td> <td>Nicholas Gesner</td> </tr> <tr> <td>George Lawrence</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>Herbert Gesner chosen Moderator John D. Concklin behaved Well</p> <p>Joe Dubois just stepped in While Jon Lawrence was speaking and Went off instantly David Tallman could not Attend on Account of sickness of a friend a Distance off.</p>	Larry Sneden	David D. Mann	Benjamin Gravestine	William Herbert Gesner	Isaac Wheeler	Jacob Post	Jerry Smith	John Willse	David G. Mann	Jacob Gesner	John D. Concklin	Lucas Cooper	Jonathan Lawrence	Nicholas Gesner	George Lawrence	
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March 15 Sabbath	Clear and a Very handsome Morning and all Day
15 Pr. Mg. J Law	Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences 10 o'clock. Isaac Wheeler and wife, Margaret, Jacob Gesner and Wife, Myself and Gracy, Mistress Cooper, Sarah Ann, Mistress Watkins made an excellent Prayer, Jacob Gesner spoke very well, Jon Lawrence and Wheeler Also
Henry seeking cause to justify intemperance &c	Henry and Wife not there. Henry pays no regard to truth, letting his tongue go falsely by report about the Lot of Mine. It seems by what Cooper and others have told me before and Since the Agreement for the lot, that if he got his head out of the halter he would take care how he got it in again &c
Lucy &c	Lucy not there
	I did not go to upper landing
16	Overcast this Morning with a little Rain, Clear a little After About 9 AM, Warm all Day uncommon Muddy. Snow is Gone, a little along fences
John I 16 Mabie Wm. Grahams Deeds &c	John I Mabie to Day fetched all the Writings Which were left with me of William Grahams estate and Signed his Name to 2 Memorandum of the same left for Me to Show &c

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March 16 Mist. Watkins here	Mistress Watkins came here this Afternoon With Mary Lawrence, Alfred fetched them with My Horse and Herberts Waggon. At Night took Mary home and Mistress Watkins stay'd
Mist. 16 Watkins at Prayer	Mistress Watkins went to Prayer this Evening in My family, very smart in Prayer
At Larrys 16 Paid	At Larry's 3 1/2 lb Sugar and 2 lb Butter 3 shillings. I think 5 shillings 6 pence paid.
Ja Ges 16 NY	Jacob Gesner to New York to Day, gave him 10 shillings for a Hat for Me
16 Wood us Was taken Down to Dock Wm. Snedens Good Return of Wood Joe Dubois's bad Return	This Morning Jacob Gesner Received of Larry Sneden the Return for his and My Wood, there was 19 Waggon loads taken down to the Dock, which would be more than 16 Cartman load; the wood Sent down before with William Sneden there was 17 Waggon load and Williams Return of Which was 15 1/2 loads at New York, Waggon loads alike; in the 15 1/2 loads taken About 1st of January by William Sneden there was 3 loads of Nut And 12 1/2 Oak. Sold well and good Return made by the load on the 6th of January as see his Bill 24.63 clear But this last sent down Sold by Joe Dubois of 19 Waggon load there Was no Return of Nut although there must have been good 2 1/2 loads of Nut, Was mostly Sold as a Remnant in lot for 10.50, there was not Short of 16 loads and 2 1/2 of Which was Nut, the Whole Return of this last 16 loads Was Only 13.00 clear, of this 16 loads William Sneden had Sold at first 2 load for 13 shillings cash and a log left of Elm for \$2.75 Freight and Inspection off leaves 4.46. I conclude this this lot William Sneden sold for 2.75 has not been More by any Means than 2 1/2 loads, the rest about 11 1/2 loads, Joe Dubois sold for 9.34 clear, And in this there Was 2 1/2 loads Nut. This has bad Colour

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March 17	Overcast this Morning, Clear at 8 AM, wind Westward nearly NW, high Wind cool
Mist. 17 Watkins Gracy & Betsy	Mistress Watkins Gracy and Betsy Went to see Peggy Post. She was not home, Gracy and Mistress Watkins came back and Jon Lawrence and Sally came too to See us this Afternoon
Ja Ges 17 not back &c Sent with Peter Riker letter to his Wife &c	Jacob Gesner did not come up with the Steam Boat to Day but sent a letter to his Wife, with Peter Riker in whose charge It appears by letter that he had put a hat, Candles &c, which Peter Riker stopping at My Door as he went home With his Waggon, Searching Among his things could not find, but said that Jacob Gesner had things to send up, told Jacob Gesner that he should put them Among his things, but at the front of House could not find them
Wed 18	Hazy and Cold Ground very hard frozen this Morning
18 Alfred to P. Rikers things not found	I sent Alfred this Morning to Peter Rikers, and said that those Articles was not Among his. Peter Riker shortly after passed My door on his Way to Snedens, told me that there stood a Barrel long side of his things with a hat and little Bundles; but that he expected the things Jacob Gesner Put in his Charge was Among or put in his Baskers, so he came from on Board the Steam boat Orange to the Shore with the tender Boat at Snedens, I sent down to Snedens and Peter Riker also Made search and enquiry at Snedens this Morning but said the things was not there and Must have Went up to Nyack

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<p>March 18 Gracy and Mist. Watkins Earthquake</p>	<p>Gracy and Mistress Watkins About 9 AM Went to see Peggy Concklin this forenoon And to See Margaret Smith this Afternoon</p> <p>About 10 AM an Earthquake by the shaking and Roaring Noise, the house shook</p>
<p>Paid 18 Alex People for Handker chief 5 shill &c At Larry's 18 Paid</p>	<p>Paid Alexander People the pedlar 5 shillings in full for 3 handkerchiefs bought a few weeks Ago, one of Which for Myself, one for Gracy and one for Jacob Gesner's Wife Betsy I paid him today</p> <p>At Larry's 1/2 Quire paper 1 shilling paid, Alfred Got.</p>
<p>18 Ja Ges Bk. from N York things not yet found</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner came from New York late in Afternoon dissatisfied About the Hat, Candles, cheese, tea which he had put in Charge of Peter Riker just before the Steam boat Started from New York; the Articles were in a handle Basket, and set down by Peter Rikers things who Sat there Reading a News Paper, and Said that he Showed Peter Riker the things, who promised to take care of them and Deliver them at My house And Reminded Peter Riker 2 or 3 times of the things Promised him. Jacob Gesner Stay'd behind see last page</p>
<p>Thursd. 19 bad Storm Snow last Nt fine Rain Clear Wind & NW</p>	<p>This Morning and greater part of preceding Night a bad Storm A Snow on the Ground About 6 Inches But Rains early this Morning and freezes mostly as it falls, the Rain is very fine, fences, trees are all Glassy with Ice, pretty Cold, Snow has a Crust, no Doubt but its all Snow at Albany. Wind nearly NE, clear About 11 or 12 grows Sloppy</p>

NOTE: "We learn from a gentleman of the town of Rye, Westchester county, that a shock of an earthquake was felt there, and in the neighboring town of Greenwich, Connecticut, on Wednesday last, at about eleven o'clock, which lasted about ten seconds. The shock was so severe as to shake the walls of several buildings and prostrate the stone fences in some places. Our informant was at the time in the drug store of Mr. Joshua Lewis, in Rye, and the concussion caused the bottles on the shelves to move and touch each other."

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<p>March 19 Ja Ges to Nyack seeking the things &c found them Bought me a Hat also Peter Rikers Basket Gracy Betsy 19 Mist. Watkins to see Mis Coop Herbt. 19 & Mary Ann relate their Debts to me</p>	<p>Jacob took the Mare and Herbert's Wood Sled and Went up to Nyack Landing to Seek after the things that was Sent up with Peter Riker, found them on board the Steam Boat Orange, excepting his Cheese 1 1/2 lb that was Gone The Hat for 12 shillings was Mine tolerable good, he said Second handed, I have Given him 10 shillings when he Went to New York, 2 shillings is Yet Due, he also bought 2 Baskets from there belonging to Peter Riker &c, paid him the 2 shillings</p> <p>Gracy, Betsy and Mistress Watkins to see Mistress Cooper this Afternoon.</p> <p>Herbert And Mary Ann Related their Situation to Me the Day before Yesterday, enumerated to Me his Debts &c wishing Counsel &c, Debts too Great to be Surmounted without some better Means</p>
<p>Fri. 20</p>	<p>Clear Wind still this Morning, Afternoon somewhat Cloudy. Night overcast looks like for a Storm.</p>
<p>At Larry's 20 pd.</p>	<p>At Larrys 1/2 Gallon Molasses 1 shilling 6 pence Paid. Alfred fetched</p>
<p>trimmed 20 Apple trees</p>	<p>I trimmed Apple trees in front of Barn</p>
<p>N. Watkins 20 Here</p>	<p>Nathaniel Watkins came here About 4 or 5 o'clock this afternoon, his Wife here since Monday last, only has been on 2 Visits, one to Peggy's and Margaret's the 20th, and one to Mistress Cooper the 19th.</p>
<p>Sat. 21</p>	<p>Thinly Overcast this Morning Moderate Midday</p>

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March 21 Watkins & Wife Gracy, Betsy to Mist. Wheel I to J L	Nathaniel Watkins and Anna his Wife Went little after 1 PM with Gracy and Jacob Gesner's wife to See Mistress Wheeler Isaac's wife . Alfred took them My Horse and Herbert's Waggon and Went Again near sun set to fetch them. Watkins and Wife left the Waggon at big house and went to Jon Lawrences. I went to Jon Lawrences to Night with lanthorn.
trimmed 21 trees Sabbath 22 bad Rain Storm	I Trimmed Some Apple trees this Afternoon A very bad Storm this Morning began before Day thick overcast all last Night, high Wind from NE With Rain freezes as it comes down, continues to Rain all Day
No Pr. 22 Mg. J Law Watkins & Wife at J L	No Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences to Day, very bad storm. I went up about 11 and found Wheeler there just come. Wheeler and Wife at Jon Lawrences all last Night and to Day. Watkins came with me from Jon Lawrences through the Rain About 1/2 After 2 PM. Drank tea, went up to Jon Lawrences Again before Sun set
Cornelia 22 Sick also Sally & J L	Cornelia Sally's little Girl Sick, Sally not well, Jon Lawrence quite unwell some Days.
No Pg. 22 at upper Landg.	Watkins did not go up to upper Landing to Night nor none from Rockland: Rain, mud, and very Dark

1835	Memento
March 23	Cloudy all Day, Ground hard frozen this Morning, thawed but little. Cold, this Morning the Ground just covered with Snow, fell in a Squall last night
Ja Ges 23 got a Calf Went NY & JL	Jacob Gesner got a heifer Calf of Mistress Acker and of the Black man on the place, 4 Weeks old, for 20 shillings, fetched it early With My horse and Herbert's Waggon. I helped him Drop it, was not very large but fat He went Down to New York with it and it Weighed hind quarters 14 lb and fore quarters 15 1/2 lb. Jon Lawrence to New York, he Jacob Gesner got 5 Dollars for the Calf, he said
23 Nathl. Watkins & wife from J Law to Clarks	Nathaniel Watkins our Methodist Protestant Circuit preacher Rockland Circuit and his Wife Anna and Boy Went with My horse left his at My house and George Lawrence's Waggon about 2 or 3 PM to Brother Clarks intending to preach there to Night. Mistress Watkins bid farewell expecting not to Return, she is a Very healthy good looking woman of excellent Modest Carriage, but too indulgent to her boy about 3 years 9 months old; he seems not of bad temper but indulged, very turbulent and busy, with, and at almost everything. Mistress Watkins Made an excellent prayer in parting
Widow 23 Lawrence Taken Palsy	The Widow Mary Lawrence taken about 3 PM with Apparently the Palsy on left side, was put in bed, without speaking one Word, appears dangerous
24	Clear but Cloudy cold, ground hard this Morning, March a Severe Month So far.
Paid J Ges 24 2 sh due on hat	Yesterday Paid Jacob Gesner the 2 shillings see the 19th on the hat

1835	Momento
March 24 Watkins came here, Pd. at Clarks	Nathaniel Watkins down from Clarks this Afternoon. He Preached at Brother Clarks Monday Night the 23rd Instant, the House filled, he said
Watkins 24 Pd. at Jon L	Watkins Preached at Jon Lawrences to Night from Proverbs 19th and 1st "He that being often Reproved, hardeneth his Neck, shall be Destroyed and that without Remedy" There were About 80, A Solemn Attention And an excellent Sermon, explained with Great variety, And Solemnity, this seems intended here at Jonathan Lawrences for his last sermon. Truly of him it must be said, he is a great Man in the Scriptures
Widow 24 Mary Law very low	Widow Lawrence continues Speechless, no hopes of Recovery
Bled 24	Barto Was sent for, Bled Mistress Lawrence, Widow
Wed. 25	Ground frozen this Morning hard, Sky hazy
N Watkins 25 went Away	Nathaniel Watkins came to My house from Jon Lawrences About 9 AM, Sat a While, took his horse and Went up to Clarks, from there intended to go to John Storms.

1835	Momento
March 25	Gracy up to See Widow Lawrence this Afternoon, she is very low, takes no nourishment
Thursd 26	Clear Hazy no Wind, Ground pretty hard this Morning Again; Appears for a Moderate Day
Widow 26 Law. died	Widow Mary Lawrence, the Mother of Jonathan Lawrence, George M Lawrence and Ginnett Died last Night About 12 o'clock. She is About 72 Years old
Ja Ges 26 to J Storms for Watkins to preach funeral Semon &c	Jacob Gesner at Request took My Mare and Went up to Storms's, to see Watkins to come to Morrow and preach her funeral Sermon he was at Brother Cornelisons, Went there, Jacob Gesner said he was to be down by 12 to Morrow
Geo Ges 26 helped trim	George Gesner helped me Trim Apple trees this Afternoon
27	Overcast, warm, Clouds from SW this Morning. Rains from 6 to 11 AM then breaks away cloudy quite cold
Watkins 27 Preached at Geo Law his Mothers funeral sermon	Watkins down, Preached the Widow Mary Lawrence's funeral Sermon from the 14 Chapter and 13 Verse of Revelations to a large number of the Neighbours, both Rooms filled at her place of Residence Rockland — a very good Sermon Suitable to the Occasion, began About 3 PM, interred About 1/2 After 4 PM

1835	Momento
<p>March 27 Watkins gave up Slot Appoint. &c</p>	<p>Watkins in Coming down, put off the Appointment at the Slot to Night on Account he thought it would be too late after the funeral Sermon was preached. It was given out by himself to Preach this Night from the text Matthew 22 and 14, "many are Called but few chosen" which he had promised to do last Spring at some future time; proposes now to fulfil the promise After Conference —</p>
<p>27 Isaac Sturr at this Funeral After Sermon Stood in Gangway with letter presented handed it to be Read</p>	<p>Isaac Sturr the old Side Preacher rather exhorter Instantly when the benediction was given I saw him Standing up in the Gang way a Narrow passage between the two Rooms where the people had to pass, with a letter in his hands presented before him not then opened but in fold as though he held it for people to see that he had a letter, Which Appeared very Awkward and Simple to me; A Few Moments after I was told before the Corpse was Removed he was About Among the Mourners in the Room and Sympathizing Neighbours Convened at this Solemn funeral, exhibiting the Contents of said letter; And circulated it about in the Grave Yard While the Deceased was put in the Grave, Afterwards Among the Neighbours This letter was Anonymous, I was told, Its contents I do not yet know fully. Herbert Lawrence being up from New York at the funeral of his Step Mother, went this evening to his Uncle David Mann's to See them, He told</p>



The house of George Lawrence, where the funeral was held.

1835	Momento
<p data-bbox="217 306 375 485">March 27 This letter Read in the hearing of Herbt Law</p> <p data-bbox="217 800 337 831">Remarks</p>	<p data-bbox="427 306 1409 604">me that Lawrence Mann an Old Side Doctor Barto Do And others with himself; Lawrence Mann produces this letter And Read it before them; Herbert Lawrence Mentioned a few Clauses; began with Isaac Sturr a dirty dog &c that he must take care or he would have an execution After him or trouble in committing Adultery with Mens Wives in their Absence &c &c ending with nearly the same Epithet as it began. Herbert Lawrence Answered that Such a dirty letter he would not be seen handing Around, being an Anonymous letter; but Would have committed it to the flames</p> <p data-bbox="427 646 1435 1098">Remarks: While Watkins was present Sturr Sat in the Kitchen part or end of the Gang way, both myself and Jacob Gesner Sat in view of him. Jacob said that Sturr gave him a very steady look which when Jacob discovered it Returned the same; saying to me that he Sturr had a Sheepish look I myself got also a Similar look from him, which when I discovered it I placed My view firmly on him, conceiving the Act somewhat Singular as it had been observed that he could not well look a person in the face; but paying Attention to the Sermon I disengaged the look &c. But After Meeting seeing him Stand in the gangway presenting the letter, and his handing it around to be read, I conclude he Assumed the look towards myself and Jacob Gesner to see if he could not excite a Blush of Guilt on us, As Herbert Lawrence said at David Manns, there Was An Old Side member at the Reading of the letter said that Reform had Done it The Meanness</p>
1835	Momento
<p data-bbox="217 1255 375 1287">March 27</p> <p data-bbox="217 1371 337 1402">further</p> <p data-bbox="217 1444 345 1476">Remarks</p> <p data-bbox="217 1602 345 1707">perhaps wicked Stratagem</p>	<p data-bbox="427 1255 1425 1927">of Sturr in his Staring us, in Standing with the letter in the Gang way as the people passed out of Big Room, presented as though by Craft Might discover Guilt in Any of Reform, or Whether he intended by this Act of holding and Standing to conceal his own designing Stratagems as though himself or his Associates were not the Authors of it; collected other similar Reports to the letter in the neighbourhood previous to this Day in Order to show how Meanly he was used by Reform, as he is suspected by several as the Author of it or a particular friend; and Thereby Retort Reflection on Reform, with intent to recover himself from the State of Shame and degradation into Which he had immersed himself by previous Mean, Dishonorable conduct &c, Such low cunning Craft may readily be attributed to persons of his Character; It is no doubt drawn by a person Acquainted with the Reports of the place and his Conduct in degrading Characters and lying &c Whether by himself or an Associate, to have his desired effect; But I deny of having any Knowledge of the letter before it was Read in public, And that person that Say's that as it has been supposed I or Jacob Gesner wrote it that I wrote it or knew that it was done by Reform or Any other is a liar Ive Reason to believe that they drew it themselves</p>

1835	Momento
<p>March 27</p> <p>I have My opinion that this letter to Sturr is his or his Associate's</p> <p>drawing up Wicked craft &c</p>	<p>This Business of Sturr as May be seen of equal Date with this in the next preceding book or Momento, as it Respects this letter, the substance of which letter themselves, either Sturr or his Associates May have collected from the talk of the neighbourhood, since he has acted Without Principle or honour, see March 14 And all his Movements of Staring Jacob Gesner and self and Standing and holding the letter and Afterwards having its contents shown; cannot warrant by Any means his innocence or his Associates in this Matter, as the whole proceedings of the whole circumstances and troubles by him Made in this School District as before Noted, has only a Complexion similar to this low craft and Mean cunning in the one case as in the other; so until I know better I Shall conceive the probability is that it is An Old Side trick; for it is already evident that they charge Reform, let wrote it who May, with the letter, The whole of their conduct is of the Most Sordid mean and low order; from their first getting him Sturr as a teacher, to the present.</p>
<p>Sat 28</p>	<p>Cloudy more or less all Day Still warm</p>
<p>Watkins 28 went away Trimmed 28 &c</p>	<p>Watkins left Jon Lawrences this Morning before Breakfast</p> <p>I Trimmed Apple trees over Run, Jersey sweets</p>
<p>Old Cooper 28 Oxen</p>	<p>Old Cooper had Oxen Drew out My Orchard below 2 or 3 jags Apple Brush</p>

1835	Momento
March 29	Cloudy and greater part of Day looks like for storm, Wind Eastward and quite Raw Cold, near sun set Almost Clear
Pr. Mg. 29 Jon Law	Prayer Meeting Jon Lawrences 10 o'clock Jacob Gesner and Wife Gracy, Mistress Cooper, Wheeler, Margaret, Aaron, Brother Clark and family. Brother Clark Spoke very well &c a Good little Meeting
Gracy & 29 Mary Law to see Mist. Iseman	Gracy and Mary Lawrence went to see Mistress Iseman Afternoon from Jon Lawrences
Catharine 29 Iseman at point of Death	Catharine Iseman wife of John Iseman is at the point of death, the 2nd or 3rd time taken with the palsy Gracy said she thought that she was Dying while she was there
30	Cloudy and a Very cold Raw wind from NW; wind high
Copies of 30 this Black letter spread Abroad	I am told that there are several copies of this letter see the 27th last in circulation in the Neighbourhood But instead of Clearing up Mr. Sturrs conduct, the unbiased and Reflecting Mind will only discover Reproach and censure due to him, Let the letter be Wrote by who it May, He Sturr has discovered sufficient Meanness in showing it and circulating it to evince his Meanness and wish to have it so, to attribute it to the Innocent

1835	Momento
<p>March 30 Geo Law Oxen 3/4</p> <p>31</p> <p>31</p> <p>31</p> <p>Sturr's letter by many suspected to be his own production</p> <p>John D Concklin upbraided him</p>	<p>George Lawrence Oxen ploughed 3/4 Day</p> <p>Cloudy and very windy from NW cool</p> <p>George Gesner Oxen ploughing for Herbert in My Lot near School House About 3/4</p> <p>Much is said in the place About the Letter Received as it is said by Sturr. This letter by Many is Supposed to be the production of Sturr himself, being Anonymous. Himself had been down to New York and shortly this letter was circulated. He having disgraced himself by his unchristian conduct and feeling himself provoked by not being able to control the Minds of the Neighbours into subordination to his Ruling the School concerns, as in the last previous Momento is stated, he is as yet Suspected to be the Author, to brighten up his defamatory conduct to be considered an abused person and persecuted, and with sole intent to destroy Reform, for which purpose it is Made use of I was told by Jacob Gesner that he was to Day at Snedens with the letter showing it John D Concklin Old side, if he had any Sense or had Christianity &c he would have burnt it &c said Nothing &c:</p>

1835	Momento
March 31 Henderson here & Delegate	Samuel M. Henderson and one Finch not his delegate on their way to New York Conference, Came here to Day About 2 o'clock, from Sullivan County Monticello circuit, one with Horse and Waggon, the other on horse back, Henderson seems very hearty
31	Henderson Preached at Jon Lawrences for us to Night from about 40 or 50 Hearers, a very good discourse indeed
Caty Iseman 31 buried	Caty Iseman buried this Afternoon
April 1	Clear and Handsome Morning and all Day
Samuel M 1 Henderson for NY left Horses Jac Ges to NY	Samuel M Henderson and Mr. Finch came here this Morning from Jon Lawrences About 9 AM, left their horses with me Started About 1/2 after 11 to Snedens to get on Board the Orange Jacob Gesner with them for New York Henderson to Conference and Finch to see his Daughter expecting to Return next tuesday
I Jon Law 1 & Jac Ges suspected	I am suspected as the Author and Jacob Gesner and Jonathan Lawrence to have taken it to New York so that it Might Appear to have come from a distance; But Although Jon Lawrence and Jacob Gesner had been Moses Taylor and Sturr had been too at same time, ask Larry

1835	Momento
<p>April 1 Insinuation Against Reform</p> <p>Sturr &c Suspected</p>	<p>The preceding insinuations as well as the industrious circulation of the Anonymous letter, prove to a certain that it is intended to injure the well justified cause of Reform; and as they Sturr and others of them tacitly and impliedly attach the act of drawing this Anonymous letter to Reform and that without the least shade of just Authority It is evident they wish it so and if they wish it so, it certainly Corroborates the Opinion of Many, not belonging to Any Society, that it is a production of his Sturrs own, or an Associate's with design to Rear the self degraded usurper from the Merited Reproach he has called on himself: "Let envy alone and it will punish itself"</p>
<p>Thurs 2</p>	<p>Clear Warm somewhat hazy this Morning a very Nice Day</p>
<p>Another 2 letter for Nauty Cooper</p>	<p>Another Anonymous letter Ive undestood for Naughty Cooper; its contents Ive not Heard</p>
<p>Geo Ges 2 helped</p>	<p>George Gesner helped Me Yesterday and to day each near 1/2 Day trimming apple trees</p>
<p>Herbt. 2 Oxen</p>	<p>Herbert Oxen Yesterday and to Day each 1/2 Day</p>

1835	Momento
April 3	Clear and Handsome and warm till 2 o'clock PM, Grew overcast; towards Night Raw and Wind Southeasterly, looks for Rain
Wm Law 3	William Lawrence helped but part of 3/4 Day trim Apple trees, long back of Barn and over Gulley
4	Overcast only, has Rained a little last Night, cool
Trim'd Trees 4	Trimmed some Apple trees over gulley to Day, 'twas friday
Ja Ges up from NY 4	Jacob Gesner came up from New York, he was no Member of Conference, yet Attended
Delegates to Annual Conference 4	Edward Cornelison and George Wyant delegates to Conference at New York
Gracy very sick Sally here JL Here 4	Gracy very Sick to Day, been very unwell some Days, short breathed, coughing very much Sally gave her some Medicine made her vomit, Slime and Gall very Much. Sally came in the forenoon Stay'd till Night, Jon Came had little Sis with him.
Sabbath 5	Rainy all Day wind easterly

1835	Momento
April 5 No Pr. Mg. at J Law	No Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences this forenoon on Account of Rain
No Pr. Mg. 5 upper Landg.	None at upper Landing to Night Rainy and Muddy
Mon 6	A little Rainy by turns all Day
6 I Worked My Day on Road not warned	I had 1 Day to work on the Road which I worked this forenoon. Myself Alfred and William Lawrence And George Gesner helped about an hour. I was not notified by Zebulon Woolsey. I had been Warned before Winter Set in, but I had made Ready to kill Hogs, and Could not go then. He Zebulon Woolsey told me some little time Afterward that he Was under the Necessity of hiring last fall, as he did not intend to have Any thing more to do With it, I have not paid him but told him then which was in the Winter Already that I could work it in the Spring, but he Replied he was under the Necessity to hire. I Answered If that was the Way he intended to use me he could go on and I drove on the horses &c
Zeb not Warning me &c	

1835	Momento
<p>April 6 Jac Ges to Nyack to see the Market Man Gracy 6 Sick &c Tues 7</p> <p>Return 7 Made me from Trustees</p> <p>Town 7 Meeting Isaac Blauvelt said he Made the Ticket I left out &c</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner to Nyack with Brother Henderson's Horse Henderson at Conference Horse here, to see about being Market Man on board the Orange</p> <p>Gracy Continues Sick in bed</p> <p>Cloudy and Cool this Morning</p> <p>Return Made to Me as Commissioner of Common Schools from Trustees David I Tallman, Lawrence J Sneden, and John Willse. Delivered to Me by George M Lawrence District Clerk</p> <p>I went to town Meeeting at upper Landing at the home of John Briggs; I found in Circulation by Isaac Blauvelt of Nyack Landing printed tickets with town Officers, on which Barto and Blauvelt was on for Commissioners of Common Schools but My Name as one with them last year chosen, was not on but David Clark's Name in My stead. I did not vote. Jacob Gesner voted but in the presence of said Isaac Blauvelt he rased out Barto's name. This Isaac Blauvelt said before Jacob Gesner that he had himself drawn up the ticket; but could not find out by enquiring who was the other Commissioner, and that he had not done it under the Influence of Anyone, declared it upon his Word of Honour &c</p>
1835	Momento
<p>April 7</p> <p>Remarks on Isaac Blauvelts Making a Nomination of 2 School Comrs and leaving me out its complexion</p> <p>8</p>	<p>Also that he had Made enquiry and could not find out who the other commissioner was, and consequently he put in David Clark Here I would Remark that he must Assumed the Absolute prerogative of Nomination as he confessed himself had done it, and that without being under the influence of Any One — Also it may be observed that if he did usurp the absolute Right of Nomination he took but little trouble to know who the other Commissioner Was, Besides there seems very little Apology can be Made in his not showing partiality as a Man stepping forward in public concerns ought to have respect to honourable Measures; Knowing or ought to know that an Act like this discovers partiality in not doing equal justice &c He also declared that he had no objection at all as to My abilities, his only reason being not knowing who the other Commissioner was This needs looking at, I told him I had no desire particularly for the Office; But told him I was viewing its looks and complexion</p> <p>Ground some frozen this Morning, White frost Cold Wind from NW</p>

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<p>April 8 Finch Went Away no thanks his Pension</p>	<p>Brother Finch see April 1st came Yesterday from NY And Went Away from My house After Breakfast this Morning I took care of his horse from March 31 till this Morning. He bid farewell but never thanked Me, nor said Nothing as an Acknowledgment In conversation he signified that he had Money enough to bear his expenses; that While at New York in discourse With his Son inlaw there about a horse for Sale, he told his Son inlaw that if he did not take the horse at 100 he Would pay the Money for him, It further Appeared from his Conversation that he had A pension yearly or 1/2 Yearly coming to him of 40 Dollars for Revolutionary Services, he said he was 73 Years of Age, tol lol! the entry is as from his own mouth</p>
<p>Filled up 8 Deed for J. Sneden he paid</p>	<p>Filled up a Deed for Jacob Sneden to Frederick Commann of the city and county of New York Dated this 8th of April 1835, He Jacob paid me 3 shillings</p>
<p>Herbt. 8 Oxen</p>	<p>George Gesner Oxen ploughing, a little for several Days past, up by the Chestnut trees</p>
<p>Obb made 8 post axe</p>	<p>Obb Made me post Axe paid</p>
<p>Thurs 9</p>	<p>Clear but Hazy more Moderate warm</p>
<p>Geo Law 9 Oxen</p>	<p>George Lawrence the Oxen 3/4 Day he said, Oat ground Garden Had them few Days Ago also 3/4 + he said</p>



The Abraham Post homestead at the end of the 19th century

1835	Momento
April 9 Obb Oxen &c	Obb Oxen Drew one load Rails; no charge, had them After George Lawrence in Afternoon
Saml. 9 Henderson bk from NY	Samuel M Henderson back from New York from Annual Conference, he is Appointed on Tarry Town Circuit, NB Zion Circuit is added to Tarry Town Circuit; He came up at Slote Steam boat Rockland
Abe Post to 9 Eliza Willse 9 Henderson pd. at Jon Law to Night	Abraham Post Married this Afternoon to Eliza Willsie see 11th Instant missing Henderson Preached at Jon Lawrences to Night good Sermon from Psalms 137 Chapter and 5th and first clause of 6th Verse "If I forget thee O Jerusalem let my Right hand forget her cunning, If I do not Remember thee, let My tongue cleave to the roof of My Mouth" About 50 hearers very Attentive. Exclaimed Against professing Christians of Any Denomination, that engaged in backbiting, tattling and hurting the feelings of One another, living in Enmity; And Also when considerable of this is practised if followed up would most always find a Priest at the root of it; Admonishing the Worldly Minded people not to pattern after them, for that way would neither carry them nor the Nominal professor to Heaven; but that the profane part of Mankind; should Seek a Godly Way, And let not such professors throw a Stumbling block in their Way &c &c he stay'd at Jon Lawrences to Night
Friday 10	Clear, Handsome and Warm

*Abraham Post's wife,
Euphemia Eliza Willsey,
in later years.*



1835	Momento
<p>April 12 Pr. Mg. Jon Law &c</p>	<p>Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences 10 o'clock. Myself, Jacob Gesner, Mistress Cooper, Wheeler and Wife Margaret, Rachel Gravestine, Abner Concklin and Rirerson's Son the tailor and the family and Clark. This was a Very good Meeting. Jacob Gesner both in Prayer and exhortation seemed filled with the earnest of the Spirit and love of God; Jon Lawrence also in the Spirit. Brother Wheeler much animated, and our little Meeting seemed to be blessed with the presence of God, Glory to his name, in closing the Meeting Jonathan Lawrence addressed himself to each severally in the Most tender Manner And Attended with floods of tears &c</p>
<p>Pr. Mg. 12 upper Landg.</p>	<p>Prayer Meeting upper Landing. Jon Lawrence and Isaac Wheeler Went up from Rockland.</p>
<p>Mon 12 Rain</p>	<p>Overcast and begins to Rain About 9 AM very hard, no Wind, Stopped Raining little after 12 cool towards Night</p>
<p>Killed 12 Ja Ges Pig</p>	<p>I Killed Jacob Gesners Pig early, he helped Scald her, then went up to Niack Village upper landing to go on board Rockland to Market, Alfred took him up as far as James Grahams with Mare and Herberts Waggon the sow had 7 small pigs, less than Mine</p>

1835	Momento
April 13 Pig of J.G took to landing	Alfred Returned from James Grahams there he had taken Jacob Gesner And took Jacob Gesners dressed pig quartered to Snedens landing to be put on Board of Orange where Jacob Gesner could Get it
Betsy 13 Poorly	Jacob Gesner's Wife Betsy very full pain to Day and in Bed
Tues 14 Cold	Cloudy and cold this Morning, Ground a little frozen, and Ice in hog trough, cold all Day. Wind NW, a little Squally with some flakes of Snow
14 Ja Ges came home Alfreds trick	Jacob Gesner came home from Landing above Nyack Village About 8 PM, from Steam boat Rockland as Market Man. Alfred Went with My Mare and Herberts Waggon as far as James Grahams to Meet him, tarry's there a little and came back before it was possible for Jacob Gesner to be down. Alfred was back After 5 PM tarried some at Sally's, When he Went and When he Returned; this a bad trick of Alfred
14 hunting for sheep	I hunted the Mountain near All Day for My Sheep and could not find them, very Cold
Herbt. 14 Oxen	Herbert Oxen in the Mountain About 1/2 Day +
Wed 15 very Cold	Very Cold this Morning and severe all last Night, Ground hard as brick bat, Ice &c
Trustees 15 & Teacher	Larry Sneden and David Tallman trustees About engaging a Teacher at Herberts this Morning

1835	Momento
<p data-bbox="190 296 380 632">April 15 Zeb will not send because of D. Mann, Johnny Law & Abr Clarke his nomination was not chosen in trustees</p> <p data-bbox="225 716 341 856">Remarks on Zebs Principle &c</p>	<p data-bbox="427 296 1422 705">Larry Sneden I expect Yesterday had been Round enquiring how Many Scholars could be made up in the District No. 1. Came to Zebulon Woolsey and Asked him how Many he would Send &c. He Zeb Answered not any; Why said Larry; Zeb Answered If David Mann, Johnny Lawrence and Abraham Clark had been put in trustees, the Neighbourhood would have been Reconciled; But not now, Larry took the long face to do, and said to him, You ought to put all this Aside, and be Reconciled &c &c, from Larry's own Mouth I had it at Herberts Yesterday Morning David Tallman trustee, Herbert Gesner, George Lawrence District Clerk Mr. Rich and the teacher who they were About employing and Another Young Man a teacher also and others with Myself were present when this was said &c</p> <p data-bbox="427 716 1422 1285">Remarks, In the first place Larry Sneden to whom Zeb Made the Reply, was a trustee and as such known to Zeb. When he Answered Larry and said, "If David Mann Johnny Lawrence and Abraham Clark had been chosen in the Neighbourhood would have been Reconciled" That is to Say, You Larry Sneden David Tallman and John Willse (in Larry's face) are Unfit to do the thing that is Right; But David Mann Johnny Lawrence and Abraham Clark they are Men of principle but who are you to conciliate the Matter. Here it must be known that Zeb Woolsey is the Man who had Made the Nomination of these Men, David Mann Johnny Lawrence and Abraham Clark and Further Zeb disregarded the Voice of the whole and large Meeting When the trustees were chosen and evidently discloses his usurping principle; Because his Nomination ought to have been Adopted, and because his Mind was not Accomplished, Mr. Zeb would not send nor be Reconciled; He and a few Old Side had already ruled the school for near a Year contrary to the wish of the people which is Now frustrated; discover more of his Malignancy &c</p>

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<p>April 15</p> <p>My Remarks</p> <p>further</p> <p>Johnny Lawrence & David Mann unfit Zeb Taylor just as good &c</p>	<p>I Answer the Whole Objection to the election of the present trustees, John Willse, David Tallman and Larry Sneden is bigotry. The Mean Sordid low and offensive forcing and usurping Measures adopted and practiced in the District by Old Side became truly detested by the rest of the Neighbours; The flat Shameless and unprincipled conduct of Isaac Sturr their highly Approbated teacher incurred the disrespect of the Whole district excepting the Greater part of their Members, who from every appearance could discover nothing Amis in him</p> <p>I Answer Again that Johnny Lawrence (Without a Design to Derogate from his worth as a Neighbour) is not Competent to fill the Office of Trustee, neither Any other Office, When the Old Side has stratagems and Designing projects in contemplation, Zeb Woolsey can lead that Man as he pleases, And the Vain bigot Zeb Might as well be put in as Johnny Lawrence And David Mann Zeb Well Knew that he was Governed by his family, who were under the dictation of him Taylor &c And Altho David Mann may be worthy of being called a good Neighbour; Yet he no doubt has never informed himself of the Wickedness practiced nor of the truth of things impartially, and hence he and Johnny Lawrence in My Opinion both led by the Nose and therefore unfit to serve the District.</p> <p>NB The people might as Well have chosen Zeb and Taylor in Moses Taylor lives in Jersey as David Mann and Johnny Lawrence And as it Respects Abraham Clark in Zeb's nomination It is truly derogatory for What would they Mind Abraham Clark if they had two to complete their Work;</p>

1835	Momento
<p>April 15 Jac Ges Walked &c</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner Walked from landing above Nyack Village last Night and went up Again this Morning to tend Market</p>
<p>Thurs 16 Snow</p>	<p>Overcast, Snow this Morning quite a Snow early, continued Snowing till in the Afternoon; had the Snow not Melted some it would have been 5 or 6 Inches thick, perhaps More</p>
<p>Report 16 Sturr to teach at Sam Sned.</p>	<p>It is Strongly Reported that the bigots are going to encourage Sturrs teaching school in At Samuel Snedens &c</p>
<p>Sam Sned 16 says cant get Sturr out &c</p>	<p>Again Samuel Sneden Junior told Cooper to Day so Cooper said that they the trustees could not get Sturr out of the School District No 1, unless he had a Mind to go out And that Sturr Meant to Continue in the School. Sam Sneden Old Side told Cooper &c &c, no doubt this is true and learn more and More their Meanness &c</p>
<p>Fri 17</p>	<p>Cold Ground hard frozen, Wind NW, snow not gone, this Morning Very Cold Weather</p>
<p>Geo Law 17 Ginnet & Jon Law dividing</p>	<p>Yesterday George Lawrence Ginnett and Jon Lawrence Divided their Mothers lose property, how, I do Not Yet Know</p>

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Memento

April 17
Moses
Taylor
& Zeb
Woolsey
engaged in
a scandalous
Act

to hire
Geo Mann's
House
for Sturr to
Teach School
in &c &c

Nefarious!

Lucas Cooper Related to Me this Morning Another mean and Sordid Act of 2 Principal Old Side professors; The Relation is that the one was Moses Taylor and the other a very tall Man, Supposed to be Zeb Woolsey. As follows:
Taylor and Zeb Applied to George Mann this is supposed to hire his house near the School House for Sturr to keep school in, he told them, he had hired it to one John Briggs High Dutchman and could not do it Last Night they Moses Taylor and Zeb Woolsey Applied to this John to Hire the upper part of the House for Sturr to teach a few Scholars in only 5 Days in a Week, they would not be Much trouble &c The Wife of said John told Cooper he said John Replied to them he could not do it for he had hired the upper part out to Henry Concklin. Taylor &c Replied we want none of the Ground, And Henry Concklin is an Equivocating Man, You wont get your Money of him, we will pay you down in Your hand the half of the Rent, And without any part of the Land, And You can use the Room from Saturday Morning to Monday &c. John Replied that he could not, it was hired; And that he Must own his Risque in getting the Money of Henry This Cooper said that John's Wife herself told him this Morning And being crowded by Cooper said she could Swear to it &c
What Scandalous principles professing Men wear with them in the eyes of the School House, in defiance of the Neighbourhood, to engage in so Nefarious an Act, And besides, trying to prevail with said John to violate his contract with Henry, by offering to pay down the half of the Whole Rent. Henry was not like to pay it.



The old stone house George Mann lived in, built by his father George Mann in 1784. He also owned property on Nicholas's road and elsewhere in Rockland.

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April 18 Cold	Cold, Clear Ground very hard frozen, Brooks &c frozen over, Cold All Day
Jac Ges 18 Back	Jacob Gesner back from Mouth of Creek, Waggon and Horse and Old Cooper just on his Way to Meet him, did not go far, expected him from Nyack Road
Nash 18 here	Anson Nash here this Morning from Jon Lawrences where he Stay'd last Night
Old Cooper 18 Oxen to Closter	Old Cooper Oxen down to Closter at Sammy Harings for a load of Wood, it was all Sold, came back empty
Cold 19	Little hazy, Cold, ground Again frozen, White frost, buds all Closed up Again
Pray Meet 19 J Law Nash spoke for the last expecting to Move Westward bid farewell &c Ja Ges spoke well	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences 10 o'clock AM Brother Anson Nash stay'd with me last Night And Went to Meeting with me at Jonathan Lawrences: Mistress Cooper, Wheeler and Margaret and Brother Clark there Peggy and Henry, Lucy not there, neither Betsy and Gracy, who are sick. Nash Spoke very Affecting; Admonishing, encouraging the Brothers and Sisters to hold on, as he never expected to see us Again untill he hoped to see us in Glory Stating also that he had been unjustly Accused, his character Attacked and thereby trying to Destroy his usefulness. He Spoke With energy and very appparently with christian energy, bid us farewell Jacob Gesner spoke well, a good time.

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April 19 No Pr. Mg. upper Lg.	No Prayer Meeting at New Landing to Night that I know of, none from Rockland, Brother Clark concluded as it looked likely for Rain being at Jon Lawrences not to Attend
Nash 19 Went Away	Anson Nash after Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences Went with Wheeler to Dinner, came back to Jon Lawrences and Went away this Afternoon.
Mon 20	Overcast; about 8 begins to Rain, About 5 PM begins to Rain very hard, high Wind About an hour. Then Stills, clear at Night.
20	My Fother fodder all fed up, the last fresh Hay will be gone to Morrow, and none to be Got
21	Clear and cool this Morning
Wiert 21 Westervelt paid me Writings &c	Wiert Westervelt fetched his Writing today, he had left here last Week for Me to examine. He also took one I drew up for him Dated the 17th Instant. He paid Me one Dollar, for the Writing 4 shillings and for other Services in examining papers 4 shillings which Makes the one Dollar.

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<p>April 21 Ja Ges not to N. York</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner did not go to New York on Board of Rockland to New York Yesterday, I took him up to Nyack Village, being ill with his side came on Shore at Slote, came home Yesterday, is the 20th Instant</p>
<p>Wed 22 Rain</p>	<p>Clear but Hazy and Cloudy This Morning, at 12 looks for Rain; in Afternoon did Rain</p>
<p>I Worked 22 one Day on Road</p>	<p>I worked on Road to Day along by David Manns who is Road Master, Myself, William Lawrence and Alfred worked About 1 1/2 Hours after Dinner, more than 1 Day Altogether But counted it one Day. I am assessed 3 Days this Year Again — this is the finish this Year</p>
<p>Ja Ges to 22 Haverstw. & Back</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner went Yesterday being better with side. Went on Board of Rockland at Slote, up to Haverstraw And no freight came on Board, he came back to Mouth of Creek and came home</p>
<p>Thurs 23</p>	<p>Clear and Cool this Morning and All Day</p>
<p>Bot Hay 23 of Ja Haring Sturr 23 gets Notice to quit, his Ans. is he intends to continue</p>	<p>Bought of James Haring 1/2 load Clover 20 shillings paid 10 shillings down Yesterday I'm told John Willsie trustee went to School House, told Sturr that as his Quarter was About out, he Must leave or Give up the Key and Quit the School &c. He Answered that he Would Not but intended to Continue. John Willsie goes Down, lets Larry Sneden know; both went to Sturr, told him his quarter would be out this Week and Must give up the Key. He Answered he Must consider on it. Enquire</p>

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April 23	I saw John Willse After, told Me that he and Larry Went to him, Asked when his Quarter would be out, said to Morrow, told him he must Give up the Key then, As they had engaged Another and Wanted to make Repairs. He Sturr John told Me was very impertinent, signified as though he Would not give it up, but intended to Continue, went on to lay charge Against Reform &c
Frid 24	Clear but quite cool or Cold all Day, Ground a little frozen this Morning
23 Trustees Notify Sturr demand the Key his impertinence	John Willse, Larry J Sneden and David Tallman trustees All 3 Went Afternoon just as the school Went out, Larry, David Tallman very much out with Sturr's daring impertinence the Day before, all 3 Came in the Scholars just gone They Waited a little at the School house before the School was out Went in, Larry Asked him to Give up the key as he had told him Yesterday his quarter Would be out to Day, he Sturr said it would not be out till to Morrow, Larry Answered that he could leave the Key at John Willses, they Wanted to Make Repairs and Must have it &c. Sturr with Much impertinence insulted them, Went on to Relate the Abuse he had

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<p>Sturr's impertinence</p> <p>trustees insulted</p> <p>Old Side Their Wicked Design to Rule</p>	<p>Received from that letter before Mentioned Larry Replied that he they did not come there on that concern &c, He Sturr told John Willse to this effect that he did not Doubt in the least but he knew who had Wrote it John told me, and said to me it Made his blood boil And but for the Law he would have let him Know what he said Ask these Men for particulars; he Sturr however when he discovered the determination of the trustees said he would not leave it at Willse's but At Trenchards, It would be out of his Way to leave it at Willses</p> <p>He further told the trustees that he had 25 Scholars Made up and was to begin or Would begin Next Monday in their Church</p> <p>Remark, It must be known, that this mean principle has extended itself into this District to procure this Number if it is true that 25 are Made up, So as to compel the neighbourhood to Yield to the Old Side Determinations of Ruling the Neighbourhood; by getting the Old Side children and as Many others as their wicked discordant principles and bigottry could procure by Stratagem falsehood and low deceitful cunning, in order to Weaken the District so as not to Raise a School sufficient to Support a teacher; And All in defiance of Law, with full intent to Rule in defiance of the people. The Whole in fact is an irritable insult given to the District</p>
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<p>April 25</p> <p>25</p> <p>Witnesses Executors of Storm's Will Met</p> <p>25</p> <p>Larry's Account of Sturr's Sentence &c</p>	<p>Cloudy and Rainy nearly all Day, Stormy</p> <p>I Robert Sneden and George Lawrence Witnesses And Jonathan Lawrence and Larry Sneden Executors to the Will of Henry Storms Met at the house of said Storms, Deceased, in Tappan Village at 2 o'clock PM The Surrogate J Van Houten did not Attend being Rainy, the Will was not proved, tarried and went home.</p> <p>I Rode from tappan Village with Larry Sneden, by the Way related to me Sturrs Replies when trustees Required the Key of the School House Larry declared him a Saucy, impudent Man. Sturr Alleged hard Sentence Against them Saying that Wo! to them that do things hidden in the dark. Larry What do you Mean by things hidden in the dark. Sturr Why to come and Require the Key and to try to put me out of the School without letting one know, or giving Notice. Larry, You have tryed some time Ago to get the School at Tappan, you Must have Known and you said underhanded, did not Taylor and Zeb Woolsey try to get a Room of John Briggs the dutchman near the School house, and was told that they could not let them have it for you to teach in it, Was hired to Henry Concklin</p>

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<p data-bbox="282 289 380 317">April 25</p> <p data-bbox="212 405 334 506">Taylor & Zeb's Meanness</p>	<p data-bbox="428 289 1425 625">And they said Henry was poor pay, they were to pay the Money right down the full half without Any Ground only for the Room for you to teach 5 days in the Week, and prevailed hard for to cause the Dutchman to break his promise but would not, then they Moses and Zeb Requested it to be kept a Secret, Says Larry further, what do you Sturr call this, is this not underhanded Sturr Answers, I have not heard Any thing About it — This is a fools come off — Further Larry Said did not Men out of Jersey come and try to break up our School without Knowing the Secret, what do you call this. Says Larry further it was making trouble and trying to break up the School District &c.</p> <p data-bbox="428 667 1433 926">Remark the Neighbourhood is in full blase of Bigotted usurpation. David Mann's Son George is full of Self Wisdom Serving the Devil, just calculated for Making mischief — The Weakness, Vanity, selfishness, and open Manifest Stratagems, and Low cunningings and Artful Studious designs practiced by their anonymous letter, their secret disposing and Misrepresentation, And the evident scheme to effect their determined designs by usurpation or in any Manner Whatever, however false or Conjectural &c &c is truly Astonishing to an impartial observer</p>
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<p data-bbox="201 1125 380 1535"> April 25 Br Woodruff Pd. Jon Law first time Sabbath 26 Rain No Pr. 26 Mg. Jon Law Shad 26 of JL Mon 27 </p> <p data-bbox="201 1619 380 1839"> I began 27 School 27 Back and lot out of Ben to Josh </p>	<p data-bbox="428 1125 1382 1192">Brother Woodruff one of our Circuit Preachers Preached at Rockland for the first time Last Night at Jon Lawrences from these words, "have faith in God"</p> <p data-bbox="428 1276 1292 1304">Rainy this Morning till 1/2 Afternoon, Cold Storm Rainy all last Night</p> <p data-bbox="428 1356 1279 1383">No Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences. Rain &c. I went up none other</p> <p data-bbox="428 1436 995 1463">Jonathan Lawrence gave me 2 Shad, he had 50</p> <p data-bbox="428 1516 943 1583">Clear this Morning and some White frost Rained towards or just After Sun Set</p> <p data-bbox="428 1625 1333 1652">I Began School upper Landing to Day, there Were to day 23, All but Small</p> <p data-bbox="428 1705 1425 1772">I came back and laid out a lot of Ground of Benjamin Gravestine for Captain Josh Martin including the little house opposite the Spring. This I did near Sunset</p>

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April 28 Rain bad Storm	A Terrible bad Storm all last Night, wind NE, Rains very hard this Morning, the ground is covered with Water, continues to Rain till 12 o'clock, Remains Cloudy
Woodruff 28 no Mg upper Lg	Woodruff was to Preach at upper Landing on Sabbath Evening the 26th, It Rained, no Meeting
Woodruff 28 no Meetg. Rain	Woodruff was to Preach last Night, notice was Given by Scholars, at Upper Landing but it rained very hard perhaps as Ive understood only 2 or 3
28 No Preachg. at Slote Rain	Brother Woodruff having preached at the pond church on Sabbath Morning, was to Preach at Slote School House at 3 PM. He came, the Rain and bad going I suppose hindered the people coming out
I went 28 to School bad Storm	I Went through bad Storm up to upper Landing School House
Sturr 28 began School in their Church	Sturr began School Yesterday in their Meeting house; Nothing can excuse the Meanness of their proceeding: collecting scholars from 4 Districts, so as to continue in Spite of Law Organisation or District Approbation or Harmony

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April 28 Pr. Mg. Jon Law Woodruff	Brother Woodruff At Jon Lawrences to Night had Prayer Meeting. He exhorted very well. Also Wheeler and Jon Lawrence, I there, Wheeler, Margaret, Joshua Martin and Wife, Son, George Lawrence and family, Good little Meeting
Lucy 28 Child born	Lucinda (wife of David Blauvelt) confined last Night with a Daughter, My Sally there and their tenants Wife Doctor Hopson
little 29 Rain again	Rain this Morning, holds About 7 AM, Cloudy all Day
to day 29 30 Scholars	To Day I count 30 Scholars
Anne 29 Waldron child born	Last Night, Anne Waldron Confined And a Child Born (Anne Sneden first name)
29 Br Woodruff Pd. upper Lg. to Night Went from Clarks this Morn. to my house Returnd up Aftern.	To Night Brother Woodruff Preached upper Landing from Jonah 4 and 7th Verse. The 6th preparatory, Jonah Glad with the Gourd, "But God prepared a Worm, When the Morning Rose the next day and it Smote the Gourd, that it Withered" his Reasonings, that all wordly enjoyments must have a Worm at their Root &c. About 25 or 30, Good Sermon in easy and familiar language &c. Much engaged. I there. Woodruff came down to my house Morning went near Night

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<p>April 29 Witnesses to Henry Storms Will qualified at J. L.</p>	<p>Van Houten Surrogate to Night at Jon Lawrences to have the Witnesses Sworn to Henry Storms Will. Alfred came and fetched me a few lines from Jon Lawrence requesting My coming down. I was at Meeting, the Meeting being near Out, I came down after Meeting. Was qualified by Surrogate at Jon Lawrences About 10 o'clock Night. Abraham Clark and David Tallman there, they were no Witnesses, but friends to him. And Larry Sneden Executor was there, all Waiting for Me. George M. Lawrence and Robert Sneden the other 2 Witnesses had been Sworn before I came and were gone &c</p>
<p>Thurs 30</p>	<p>Very Cloudy this Morning, Moderate but Cloudy all Day. Weather seems unsettled</p>
<p>30</p>	<p>My Fother fodder all gone. Ive got more than I cut on My Own Land this Winter and Spring, 1 Small load Salt Hay of Jon Lawrence, I drew his from George Lawrences Barrack Salt Meadow one Middling load Salt Hay of David Blauvelt one Small jag of Herbert and of him 1/2 Small Jag more, And 1/2 load Clover of Jacob Haring.</p>
<p>David Mann 30 Wife confined child Born</p>	<p>George Mann's Davids Wife (daughter of James Riker) Confined and a Child born to Night</p>

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May 1	Overcast this Morning, continues overcast all Day and Sprinkles toward Night
took 1 Scholars names	To Day Afternoon I took the Parents Names and the Names of the Children When they commenced school
David 1 Clark failing	David Clark breaking, he is Run very hard but Nothing to pay with it is Said
Hen. 1 Conck.	Henry Concklin moved on the hill near School House from Peter Mabies House &c
Sat 2	Clear this Morning. Cloudy Midday &c
Hay up 2	My Hay and all fother is up
2 I Wrote a Deed from Ben Gravestine & Wife to Josh Martin executed settled Mortgage Redeemed &c	Last Night and part this Morning I drew a Deed from Benjamin Gravestine and Rachel his Wife to Joshua Martin; and executed And Acknowledged at Bens before 12 o'clock. Judge Cornelius J Blauvelt came &c. For the House opposite the Spring with About 3/4 of land with it for 300 Dollars. Ben at the Same time Redeemed the Mortgage out of George Manns hands which he held on 4 of Bens Lots by Joshua Martin giving 100 Dollar Bond to George Mann whom Benjamin Owed 100 Dollars And a Bond of 100 Dollars to Benjamin Gravestine And 100 Dollars Ben had Received Cash, An Acknowledgment was also taken on the Mortgage George Mann present. The judge charged 15 shillings I 9 shillings for Deed laying out of lot. And also Ben paid me 4 shillings he owed for Oxen 13 shillings paid me.

The house Joshua Martin bought across from the Washington Spring. This is a modern picture; the house was smaller in 1835. Laurence Sneden Sr., the uncle of Larry Sneden, had lived here earlier.



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May 2 at Larry's Paid	Went down to Larry Snedens, bought 3 1/2 lb Sugar, 2 shillings 9 pence paid, Spent for Wine I and Wheeler 6 shillings, for Ben 3 shillings for Rum or Brandy
I drew 2 Bonds for Josh Martin	I drew also 2 Bonds for Joshua Martin, one to Ben and one to George Mann = 3 shillings
Ja Ges 2 Bk	Jacob Gesner has been out the whole Week with Rockland Steam Boat Marketing. Came home near Sun Set
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Alfred 2 Cordroy Sabbath 3	He Bought Cordaroy for Alfred Trowzers 2 Yards at 2 shillings 9 pence per Yard Clear and Beautiful this Morning, nice all Day, near Night Dark cloud Rises in the West
Pr. Mg. 3 Jon Law	Prayer Meeting Jonathan Lawrences 10 o'clock. Jacob Gesner, Myself, Gracy, Mistress Cooper, Wheeler and Daughter, Margaret and Rachel Gravestine, Sarah Ann Moison and little Brother and Brother Clark there; a very good Prayer Meeting. Jacob Gesner exhorted well and Affectionate. Jon Lawrence also Wheeler; But Henry Concklin and Peggy not there; Jacob Gesners wife unwell

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May 3 No Meetg. upper Landg	Prayer Meeting upper Landing, Jon Lawrence and Wheeler was to go from Rockland. I did not go, Weary &c. Ive understood by Jon Lawrence that they went and a Number out, but the House not lighted up went Away, however, after they went Away, there was Candles got, No Meeting.
3 Nich. Conck & Bartho Noe up	Nicholas Concklin and Bartholomew up with Waggon from New York. I saw them and Conversed with them at John Gesners burying Ground Rockland I Related that I had engaged in teaching School, And this led to the difficulty in our neighborhood School District with Sturr. I Related some true Accounts Respecting the
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Shad &c 4	Shad and Herring caught plentifully
Ja Haring 4 Cash for Salt Hay	James Haring Refused Salt Hay without Cash immediately, a Good fellow &c
Tues 5	Cloudy and Overcast this Morning. Midday clear and Warm, towards Night Overcast

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May 4	I Received letter from John Storms for More Money
letter 4 from Town Clk &c	One Letter from James Demarest Town Clerk stating that he did not know who Drew up the Nominations for Town Officers especially Commissioners of Community Schools, he expected it Was done at Nyack; the first he knew of the ticket was at town Meeting &c
Got 5 Herring paid	I got 3 Hundred Herring this Morning of Philip Servant at 4 shillings per Hundred, paid his Wife After School was Out this Afternoon the 12 shillings
I Got 5 Shad for self Herring for Sally I owe &c Philip Servt 21 sh Unpaid	Besides the 300 Herrings I got of his Wife 25 Shad at 10 cents each = 20 shillings for Myself, and 25 Herring for Sally. She sent half Dollar with Alfred, the 25 Shad is unpaid And the 25 Herring is unpaid, but I Owe Sally 3 shillings And Philip Sarvent 21 shillings. The Reason Why I owe Sally is that I took the 4 shillings she sent and put it with My Dollar Note which paid for the 300 Herring, And I am to pay to Philip the 1 shilling for her 25 Herring, so 3 shillings I owe her.
Wed 6	Overcast this Morning Cloudy all Day, Moderate
Larry 6 Bush Salt unpd.	Got of Larry (Alfred fetched) 1 Bushel fine Salt, unpaid, he sent me a few lines stating he wants Old Accounts paid before trust; he has had Much cash &c

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<p>May 6 Letters from Novascotia one from Abm Gesner & one from his Daughter Maria</p> <p>no Draft Recd. by me to Aid in supporting the Suit for them &c</p>	<p>Received this Morning early by the hand of John G Concklin 2 letters, one from Brother Abraham Gesner At Annapolis, Granville, Novascotia and one from Maria his Daughter, they were Middling well, had not heard from Brother Henry Gesner in Some time. He Wished to Know how the business of the Heirs with Trinity church came on.</p> <p>I wrote immediately a letter and dispatched it to go this Same Day of Steamboat Rockland to Jacob Gesner and I stated that I could not at present time give Any particular Account of it. There seemed Nothing as yet done, that pieces in public print seemed to State that the State of New York had a Vast Claim Against said church in land, by them held, coming from the Crown of Great Britain as owned by the Crown previous to Revolutionary War, and now to the State of New York. Supposed by Me to include the Right of the heirs. I understood by his letter that himself and Henry had sent a Bill on Draft together of 50 Dollars to James Branch at New York to be Delivered to Me, of Which I never seen Any thing nor Received he Sent me 1 Barrel potatoes, 4 kinds. I have not Received them yet, Jacob Gesner has them in charge New York. Maria Wrote she had sent Jonathan Lawrence 1 Pint Skinless Oats for Seed late last fall, But he never Received them</p> <p>This Draft &c Was intended to Assist me On their behalf as heirs for the Supporting of the Suit Against Trinity Church at New York</p>

1835	Momento	
May 7		Clear Moderate this Morning all Day Moderate
	7	Herbert has had the Oxen from 2nd or 3d of May, Ploughing at David Blauvelts, his Own &c
No corn ground ploughed	7	No Corn ground ploughed yet for me
Garden	7	George Gesner Ploughed My Garden to Day
Fence Shifted	7	Fence altered to Day, and brought between lower field And Old Orchard — Herbert Gesner, William Lawrence and Alfred did it
2 Bass 1 Pd Serv one unpd	7	Of Philip Servant 2 Bass, 1 Weighed 7 lb the other 4 1/2 lb at 3 pence = 34 1/2 pence unpaid
Rain	8	Overcast this Morning and Rains at 6 AM, Clear towards Night
I wrote 2 letters one to Abm Ges & to Maria	8	I wrote 2 letters this Morning. One to Abraham Gesner at Novascotia Granville. I wrote also one to him the 6th Instant The Other to Maria his Daughter, Stating Much the same as in the letter to him on the 6th. Jacob Gesner sent Word by Phebe Sneden that there was Another good opportunity to Send and Made me write these last 2 &c
Shad Again of P. Servant 25 sh Unpaid	8	I Got 25 Shad More of Philip Servant and 2 for Jon Lawrence to Day, these are unpaid 5th Instant. This is 21 shillings 7 pence.

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May 9	Partly Clear, Cloudy from Westward, and cool this Morning and not warm all Day
Garden 9	I fixed Garden Ready for Sowing and planting but no Dung in yet, loosened and pryed out of Garden a big Stone
Marked 9 Lambs	I marked lambs
Ja Ges 9 for potatoes	Jacob Gesner got for 2 Bushels potatoes 9 shillings ie 8 shillings clear and 6 shillings for Gracy's 1 pair fowls
Salt of 9 J Law	1 Bushel Salt of Jon Lawrence
Sabbath 10	Thinly Overcast this Morning, Clear about 9 AM and all Day, cool
Pr. Mg. 10 Jon Law	Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences; Myself, Wheeler, Margaret, Gracy, Mistress Cooper, and Brother Clark there, and family. Jacob Gesner not well with his side, Betsy sick and not there
Pr. Mg. 10 upper Lg.	Jon Lawrence Went up with Clark to upper Landing, held Prayer Meeting Exhortation &c. Jon Lawrence only from Rockland
Creatures 10 below	Creatures put below by Alfred and others to Day

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May 11 Frost	Clear White frost this Morning, cool, nice all Day not warm, but Moderate
Black 11 Cow Calf	My Black Cow got a Calf on Thursday night the 7th Instant, She Went from last July 20 to the Night of the 7th Instant
Ja Ges 11 Side Betsy Sick yet	Jacob Gesner Went up to Nyack upper Landing this Morning ill with his side on foot. Stopped in Upper Landing School House, rested, Went on, his Wife continues in poor state of health
Tues 12 Spring very Backward	Cloudy, but more Moderate this Morning, a warm Day A Very backward Spring. The fruit trees their blossoms are but just discoverable. The leaves just out but small, the Woods differ but little in Appearance from that in January
Ja Ges 12 Side	Jacob Gesner came from New York at Slote, came home, Side bad
Potatoes 12 from Novascotia	My Barrel of potatoes from Abraham Gesner come and at Snedens
1835	Momento
May 13	Cool this Morning, Wind Northerly, the Sky has a Draughty or Smoaky look, but Clear
Salt Hay 13 of Jon Law	had a little Salt Hay from Jon Lawrence Yesterday
13 Peter Taulman Against the Old Side conduct in school &c	Peter Taulman Exclaimed Against the Conduct of Sturr and the Old side usurpation in the School concerns, said they the trustees ought to put him out the District as teaching in Violation of the Law &c &c Betsy Scudder he told, She told me and others
Pierson 13 & Woodruff here	Brother Pierson came down and Woodruff After Sun Set this Evening, Woodruff with horse and Waggon and Pierson on horseback
An Armful 13 Hay of Ja Post	Alfred got of Jacob Post for me one large fork full of Hay for Ministers Horses, perhaps 40 or 50 lbs not More. One Arm full
B Pierson 13 First sermon at Rockland	Brother Pierson preached at Jon Lawrences to Night, between 40 and 50, text Psalms, a well conceived Sermon, a Solemn Attention, the Subject truly founded on the purest Gosple principles — This his first Sermon here, he and Woodruff are our Circuit Preachers

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<p>July 4</p> <p>Sat 4 Independence</p> <p>Griffis Cole & Doctor Hopson</p> <p>Peggy 4 Quidor confi- ned, a Girl</p> <p>a little 4 flaw Rain</p> <p>Sat 5</p>	<p>A Beautiful clear and warm Day, a little Smoaky, appears Droughty Ground dry Again, wind SW</p> <p>Independence: preparations made for its celebration previous at Philip Sarvants Slote upper Landing, Also Oddy at Rockland near Snedens Landing, it is his Wifes birthday it is said; it appears that it is principally intended for his friends &c from New York; At Philips Ive understood that Griffis the Baptist Preacher deliverd a sort of Oration. Also Dominy Cole Tappan Minister; And Dr. Hopson, of whom it was said, exceeded them all in Baptist Meeting House; I was not there, Old Cooper said Hopson had his Written; our teacher Mr. Bennet Chambers told him, being there</p> <p>George Quidors Wife confined 2nd Instant, with Another Young Daughter</p> <p>A little flaw Rain from a dark cloud just in the evening this Night</p> <p>Clear with some Clouds from Westward this Morning and Warm</p>
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<p>July 5 Pr. Meetg. Jon Law</p> <p>5</p> <p>James 5 Briggs Died &c</p> <p>Mon 6 a little Rain</p> <p>For Sally 6 of Ab Sarvant Sug 7lb 5 sh unpaid</p> <p>Book 6 Subscribed for brought not took &c</p>	<p>Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences: Jacob Gesner and wife, Self, old Mistress Cooper, Wheeler, Margaret, Henry Concklin was there And the family but Gracy not well and Sarah being at My house did not go to Meeting, none other there</p> <p>Wheeler was to go to upper Landing</p> <p>James Briggs son of Edward Died last Night and Buried this Afternoon, laid long with palsy &c</p> <p>Cloudy this Morning, the wind quite still begins to Rain About 7 AM, Rains a little till About 11 AM. After clear, the Rain not much in this place</p> <p>I Bought for Sally on her Account of Abraham Sarvant his Wife Eliza 7 lb Sugar 5 shillings not paid by me, she gave me no Money</p> <p>Ive understood that the big Yankee whose Subscription paper I signed perhaps near a Year Ago for a Book on church History was around to Day I at School, Gracy did not take the book, he Went off — the book was to be 14 shillings</p>

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July 6 Killed 2 Lambs Ja Ges to NY	Jacob Gesner hunted for My Sheep Mountain, found Some of them Killed, 2 lambs took to Market for me to Day
Ate at 6 Bets Scudders	I've ate or Drank tea with Betsy Scudder to Day after School by her Invitation Since I've taught school here 4 Meals or 4 times
Tues 7	Very nice Morning, Clear all Day, a little Smoaky
Ja Ges 7 Sold my 2 Lambs &c	Jacob Gesner Went Yesterday to New York, sold for Me the 2 lambs, got 2 Dollars for one 14 shillings for the other. The chickens Gracy sent he brought back
Will Law 7 1/4 Day below	William Lawrence perhaps 1/4 Day harrowing, came late in Morning and Not well in Afternoon
8	Cloudy this Morning. Midday clear and Warm. Cloudy at Night
Wm. Law 8	William Lawrence Harrowed below to Day perhaps near A Day
Obb the 8 Mare 1/2 D	Obb the Mare the family said 1/2 Day ploughing Corn and potatoes see the 9th
little 9 Rain	A little Rain at Day break and clouds from the Westward, but the Wind seems Eastward, Cloudy all Day, a little Rain in first of evening and in the Night



Picture of a spike tooth harrow, the kind Nicholas probably used. Harrowing was done after ploughing to further spread and even out the dirt for planting. The harrow was pulled by horses or oxen. Photo by Ken Giorlando.

1835	Momento
July 9 Obb the Horse	Obb the Horse Yesterday finished ploughing his Corn and Potatoes. It is said that his use of the horse on the 8th Just With to Day will Make Only 1/2 Day, Ask
Herbt. 9 Mare & Oxen	Herbert horse mare all Day and oxen 1/2 day, Getting in his Buckwheat &c
Fri 10	Cloudy overcast looks Rainy this Morning Rained a little last Night
Bot a 10 Gimblet paid	Bought a Small Gimblet at House's, paid
10 I wrote John Iseman's Will <u>executed</u> I Jacob Ackers. & Edw. Briggs the Witnesses paid 1 Hard Dollar	I Wrote John Isemans Will he in sound Mind, delivered it this Morning. It was written he said just as he had directed and as he wished it, in My Return from School about between 6 and 7 PM It was executed. Jacob Ackerson son of Jacob Edward Briggs son of James lately Deceased and Myself Nicholas Gesner Were the Witnesses, Iseman the Testator published and declared in each of our presences to be his last Will and testament, And we witnessed it in the presence of each other he paid 1 Dollar

NOTE: A gimlet or gimblet is a hand tool for drilling small holes, mainly in wood, without splitting. It was defined in Joseph Gwilt's *Architecture* 1859 as "a piece of steel of a semi cylindrical form, hollow on one side, having a cross handle at one end and a worm or screw at the other." *Wikipedia*



1835	Momento
<p>George July 10 Ges ploughed for me &c</p> <p>10 Ja Ges my calf to market I wanted to keep it &c</p> <p>Sat 11 Clear And a fine Morning, it was cool early, not very warm All Day</p> <p>Sowed 11 Buckwt. in lower field I got 2 Bush Buckwt of Cose Blauvt. Will Law 11 Harrowed &c</p>	<p>George Gesner ploughed Corn About 1/2 Day for Me</p> <p>Jacob Gesner killed My calf, came About the first of June, it was they said Very fat. It was My Wish from first to last to Raise it, it could not save Much fodder by killing it, it was a Beautiful Red Calf, Black nose; but Gracy Must have it Killed</p> <p>I sowed Buckwheat to Day, about 3 1/2 Bushels, And of Which I got 2 Bushels of Cose Blauvelt. William Lawrence fetched it from William Ferdons Mill to Day early. I agreed With him or rather he said I could pay him or Return him Buckwheat. Again paid back.</p> <p>William Lawrence Harrowed with My horse and Alfred with My Oxen</p>
1835	Momento
<p>July 12</p> <p>12 Pr. Mg. Jon Law</p> <p>12 Woodruff Pd. at Slote this Aftn. 3 PM</p>	<p>Overcast this Morning and nearly all Day Warm</p> <p>Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences 10 AM, only few, Wheeler, Myself, Margaret, Rachel Gravestine, Henry Concklin with family is all; Gracy, Jacob Gesner and Wife, Mistress Cooper Not there, a good Meeting, Wheeler Spoke very well and an excellent Prayer. Also Jonathans Prayer who opened and closed the Meeting</p> <p>Woodruff at Slote 3 PM. William Lawrence at Slote and his Wife the first there, then I and Wheeler, the Door locked, no key at J Blanches, Billy Lawrence stood on my shoulders and Went in the Easternmost window and unbolted the Door. About 22 or 23 hearers, from Psalms 130 Chapter and 3 and 4 Verse, a very good sermon. John Blanch, Charles Taulman, Cose Mabie &c there, about 11 or 12 Men And About Same Number of Women. Phebe Sneden and her 2 twins there Ely not there I and Wheeler did not go to upper Landing, looked Rainy came home. Woodruff I expect went with Phebe Sneden</p>

1835	Momento
<p>July 13</p> <p>Geo Ges 13 Ploughd. &c</p> <p>Wm. 13 Law</p> <p>Ja Ges 13</p> <p>Woodruff 13 came here</p> <p>13 No Preachg. upper Landg.</p> <p>Gracy 13 Paid Sara Ann 2 Dol &c</p>	<p>Foggy this Morning, Air very Still and Close About 9 or 10 AM and a very warm Day, notwithstanding. There was a brisk wind from SW this Afternoon</p> <p>George Gesner About 2 o'clock this Afternoon ploughing corn</p> <p>William Lawrence About 9 or 10 o'clock went to River but not for Me, &c, Worked After 12, 1/2 Day hoeing Corn</p> <p>Jacob Gesner to New York Gracy sent some currants and a few Beans</p> <p>Brother Woodruff came here just back from Phebe Snedens</p> <p>No Preaching at upper Landing to Night. It appeared very like for a heavy shower of Rain but did rain some, none came. Woodruff Stay'd at Brother Clarks last Night, Went to Phebe Snedens this Morning, came here little After Sun set with horse</p> <p>Gracy gave Sarah Ann on her months Work to Day 2 Dollars to Get a frock &c. She Went to Slote, came back before Night</p>
1835	Momento
<p>July 14</p> <p>6 Years 14 Since Nich. Ges. Jr. Died</p> <p>Dry 14</p> <p>14 Br Woodruff pd. Jon Law to Night Stay'd there</p> <p>Hard 15 Rain</p> <p>Woodruff 15 Wt. Away</p>	<p>Clear and Warm all the past Night and all this Day Dry Dry</p> <p>This Day is 6 Years since My Son Nicholas Gesner Died Suddenly on the Salt Meadow</p> <p>The Ground is very Dry and a very warm Day</p> <p>Brother Woodruff Stay'd at Jon Lawrences after Preaching there; he spoke from Matthew on the parable of the King made a feast for his Son &c. There were altogether only about 12, I, Gracy, Mistress Cooper, Naut Cooper, Wheeler and wife and Aaron, Margaret, Rachel Gravestine and Girl and family, Peggy Concklin is all, he spoke extraordinarily well, seemed in the Spirit, NB the hearts of the people seem dull and inattentive at present, May God revive his Work</p> <p>Overcast this Morning, in Afternoon a very hard Rain, a little Thunder, the water ran over the Ground, rained hard 1/2 Hour and all Afternoon a little, began About half after 2 PM</p> <p>Woodruff came here before 6 this Morning ate Breakfast, went Away with horse , was to Preach to Night at Middletown. I expect the Rain had prevented him</p>

1835	Momento
July 15 Recd. Blank form book for taking the Census, Town of Orange	I Received the Blank form printed, a Smart large Book to take the Census of the town of Orange. It came from the County Clerk to Benjamin Blacklidge at Nyack, from there to Clarks and by one of his children brought to School house to me
16 Rain Ground very wet	Cloudy this Morning in large black Clouds from the WNW, A smart Rain all last Night or by intervals or short intermissions. Roads run bare, Ground Well Soaked now
Gussy 16 Crygier up	Gussy Crygier up from New York at Betsy Scudders this Afternoon
Brindle 16 Heifer	Brindle Heifer took this Evening
17	Cloudy, the Weather Seems unsettled this Morning but About 11 AM clear and a nice Day for Drying Hay
Flour 17 Dear	Harvests seem Good, ears well filled — At present Rye Meal hundredweight is as Much as 2 shillings 6 pence

1835	Momento
July 17 Ja Ges to NY	Jacob Gesner to New York to Market. Rasberries, currants, apples &c
18	Clear and Handsome this Morning all Day
18 I cut Geo Law Salt Meadow called Landing Beach lot on Shares	Cut I did George Lawrences Landing Beach Lot. Jack, Tom Smiths Brother helped 3/4 Day, paid him 5 shillings 3 pence And he drank near a quart Brandy 1 shilling 6 pence. This Salt Meadow Lot I got on shares. William Lawrence Mowed a little forenoon, Spread. Alfred helped Herbert from 3 PM till in Night, he Made 2 Stacks, 1 for himself and one he did for George. NB There is a little yet to cut along the Beach; But I fear that I have been over the South line as no Rivermark could be found. Hank Vervalen showed me the SW Stake Meadows joining at the ends , I had Jon Lawrence also there to Show but could not, Herbert Gesner seemed to Agree with Vervalen, I kept off the conjectured line of them all, but Jon Lawrence thought I had cut far enough &c
Could not find the South line	



A Salt Meadow, carpeted with Spartina grass. The Salt Meadow at Snedens Landing would have looked much like this in 1835. It was divided into lots marked by stakes, owned by local residents.

1835	Momento
July 18	Jack mentioned before helped 3/4 Day Salt Grass paid 5 shillings 3 pence
At Larrys Paid	At Larry's twice 1 pint Brandy 9 pence each, 1 shilling 6 pence paid And twice 3 shillings Crackers
19	Clear and Handsome all Day
Pr. Mg. 19 Jon Law	Prayer Meeting Jon Lawrences 10 o'clock. Margaret, Rachel Gravestine and Young Daughter, Wheeler, Jacob Gesner and Wife, Sarah Ann and family there: none else. Jacob Spoke little very good &c
No Mg. 19 at upper Landg	No one went from Rockland to upper Landing to Night. There had been no Meeting
20 little Rain	Clear nice this Morning, Cloudy in Afternoon, a little Rain About 4 PM, looks for Rain in Evening
Ja Ges 20 to NY	Jacob Gesner to New York, a Small lamb for me and Currants for other people &c I got 10 shillings Clear for my little lamb
Wm. Law 20 Raked &c	William and Alfred Raked some Salt hay this Afternoon in Windrows

1835	Momento
<p>July 20 Jon L & Mary to NY Back has good offer &c Gussy 20 Crygier up &c 21</p> <p>Geo Ges 21 & Charles helped Wm. Law &c 21 I Made Blank Aft. to help &c</p>	<p>Jon Lawrence and his Daughter Mary went Yesterday Afternoon to New York; took Steam boat across the River Sabbath back early this Afternoon; Jon has an Offer to come and Work for Herbert Lawrence at a Steam boat to be haled up and lengthened, offered 3 Dollars per Day, And found — good wages</p> <p>Gussy Crygier up to Bets Scudders last Thursday Went down the next Day</p> <p>Cloudy, Sky appears Watery, Rains about half after 2 PM, a Smart Rain with Some hail</p> <p>George Gesner Mowed a small piece of Salt Meadow, which was left unmowed last Saturday in George Lawrence's Sand beach lot &c to Day, Charles was there William Lawrence and Alfred to Rake &c</p> <p>I made a Blank Afternoon in School to help. I came on the lot they were to work; I came About half after 1 o'clock, Was there a little while and George Lawrence to look at his stack on his upper lot, was canted. Staddle broke river side, he helped Rake a little too. The Rain with some hail soon prevented us, After 20 Minutes it stopped. We came home</p>
1835	Momento
<p>July 21 Ploughed pota. Black 21 Stephen worked Obb 21 oxen no charge Gave 21 Geo Ges 1 sh 22</p> <p>I ploughd. 22 Potatoes went to School in Aft. to Salt Meadow Abner Conck helped paid 2 sh</p>	<p>This Morning before I went to My School I ploughed potatoes over the Road</p> <p>Black Stephen hoed potatoes over Road which I ploughed for me, 1/4 he said paid</p> <p>Obb Oxen to go to Peter Rikers and no Charge, perhaps an hour or 2</p> <p>Gave George Gesner 1 shilling to Get Rum, he went on Salt Meadow for me see last leaf , he got none he has the 1 shilling</p> <p>Clear and handsome all Day warm Some Clouds in Afternoon from the westward</p> <p>I ploughed potatoes over Road till near 7 this Morning, Went up to School, Made 1/2 Day Blank again, in Afternoon went on Salt Meadow and helped William Lawrence and Alfred on George Lawrences Meadow. Abner Concklin came, apparently up from Snedens and Swam in the Beach Bite or at the South point, called him he came, helped near 2 hours fetch hay in Barrack &c till Sun Set. I gave him 2 shillings, he Worked faithful. We stay'd till near dark got all cocks by Barrack, about 25 I came home</p> <p>NOTE: A Barrack is a straw thatched roof, sliding on 4 posts, under which Hay is kept. <i>OED</i></p>

1835	Momento
<p>July 22 Scrubbed School House Settled with 22 Black Stephen in full</p> <p>23</p> <p>Red 23 Cow took Wm. Law 23 & Alfred put last Hay in Barrack</p>	<p>Made Blank Afternoon. I went to salt Meadow, no hand at all to be got. The Girls Scrubbed the School house &c</p> <p>This Morning I settled with Black Stephen, his whole work was 6 Days, for 2 Days work he had wood, Potatoes vinegar = 1 Dollar for the other 4 Days hoeing and dunging, I had Agreed with him at 3 shillings per Day = 12 shillings which I paid a few Days Ago 1 Dollar And to day 4 shillings 6 pence NB this 6 pence was to Make up for what he fell short on potatoes &c</p> <p>Clear this Morning and all Day, good hay weather</p> <p>Last Evening no one home yet, Gracy took the Red Cow to Peter Rikers to</p> <p>About 25 or 30 Cocks Salt Hay George Lawrences Salt Meadow put in the Barrack to Day by William Lawrence and Alfred Miles, 2 boys 13 or 14 years Old — This finished NB These cocks were all by the Barrack the Day before, Wiert Westervelt and William Jordan promised me at the Barrack last Night to help the boys in this Morning but did not</p>
1835	Momento
<p>July 24</p> <p>2 Pigs 24 of Tom paid in full</p> <p>Ja Ges 24 had Stolen from him</p> <p>Shower 25 little Rain &c</p> <p>Potatoes 25 &c Wm. Law</p> <p>25 Paid Abr. Ferdon for Demarest Fulling &c</p>	<p>Clear this Morning And all Day also very warm, Good Hay Weather</p> <p>About Sun set or nearly I got 2 pigs of Tom Smith paid on them 10 shillings. The one a Sow and the other a boar pig. The Sow rather best 21 shillings Paid a few Days Afterwards, see the 3d of August, paid in full</p> <p>Jacob Gesner took another small lamb to Market to Day, he had 5 lb of Candles stolen or taken out of his Basket Steam boat Orange Afterwards came to Rights, it was a Mistake</p> <p>Clear and very Warm all Day till near Sun set, then there was a Shower some Rain, with a little thunder and lightning</p> <p>I finished Ploughing potatoes over Road for the first time and all hoed, the White beans too, William Lawrence came About 3 PM and helped finish before Sun set, and just as we had finished the Shower came</p> <p>To Day About 3 PM or little after, Gracy paid to Abraham Ferdon son of Nicholas Ferdon the sum of 23 shillings 8 pence being for fulling done by his Father inlaw some time Ago; being in full, his Wife in the Waggon with him when it was paid in front of My house. She came from New York &c, a little carding &c, altogether 23 shillings 8 pence</p>

1835	Memento
<p data-bbox="293 289 383 321">July 26</p> <p data-bbox="203 365 391 470">Pr. Mg. 26 Jon Law himself hurt</p> <p data-bbox="188 556 386 852">26 Brother Pierson Pd. Slote his wife and 3 Children Down with him</p>	<p data-bbox="435 289 743 321">Clear Warm with Clouds</p> <p data-bbox="435 365 1390 512">Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences 10 o'clock AM. I, Wheeler, Gracy, Mistress Cooper and Betsy and Family; Jacob Gesner not there nor none other. Jon Lawrence got hurt Yesterday at Vessel, laid down did not Attend &c. Wheeler Spoke a little; well &c &c NB Rachel Gravestine's Daughter there</p> <p data-bbox="435 556 1419 932">Brother Pierson Preached at the Slote School House 3 PM to a very small congregation. There were not more than 18 nor less than 16, the last number I counted. NB William Cole at the same hour Delivered a Lecture I was informed in the Baptist Meeting House; Whether this was previously devised to prevent the worth and talents of Mr. Pierson to become popular I leave to the judgment of others and the conscious feelings of Cole and the Baptists &c, However Reform is Acquainted with unchristian tricks of this kind. It would be more advisable to professors, first in a becoming Christian Manner, before they practice intrigue to Show and convince the error of Reform and then there would be a Degree of Propriety in it. See over</p>

1835	Memento
<p data-bbox="293 1094 383 1125">July 26</p> <p data-bbox="203 1285 367 1390">26 I & Wheeler At Slote &c</p> <p data-bbox="203 1438 367 1696">I Grew very Sick came home Dusk vomitting & Purging &c &c</p> <p data-bbox="203 1745 342 1850">very Sick brought in at J Law</p>	<p data-bbox="435 1094 1398 1241">Brother Piersons Congregation was small he found it hard preaching to the Benches, Still he Delivered a very good Sermon from James 1 Chapter 25th Verse "But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty &c" None there from Rockland but Myself and Wheeler</p> <p data-bbox="435 1285 1328 1390">I and Wheeler Went after the Meeting with Pierson his Wife to Widow Phebe Snedens, I and Isaac Wheeler Drank tea with Eley; Piersons Wife and 3 Children with Phebe</p> <p data-bbox="435 1438 1443 1963">I was not well in the Morning, sick on My Stomach, had intended to have gone this evening to upper Landing School House But grew still Worse and came on from Phebe's to go home, Wheeler came with me, And all the way I was sick as Death vomitting and purging acting at once, and had it not been for Wheelers Assistance, it is quite probable I should have lain on the Road. I was taken in at Jonathan Lawrences, took some Medicine, it seemed to stop it; But a most violent head ache still sick, George Lawrence being at Jonathans Assisted in getting me in, I was put to bed, I was well attended to, on Monday My Back, neck thigh and leg bones was exceeding full of pain, hardly to be borne; with a pain in the Stomach. Sally Doctored all she could, Jonathan Lawrence went to New York to Work I stay'd all Tuesday both Monday and tuesday in Bed, Ate Nothing but little crackers in tea till the Afternoon of Tuesday. I took a Morsel of ham, it Rained all Day, only 2 George Lawrence and Bennet Chambers came, no Preaching</p>

1835	Momento
<p>July 26 Pierson Pd. upper Landg.</p>	<p>Pierson Preached Upper Landing to Night he told me to a Nice congregation perhaps near 50 from 2 Corinthians 8 Chapter and 9th Verse, "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was Rich &c" Attentive congregation I expect Pierson and wife and Children Stay'd at Phebe Snedens this Night</p>
<p>Mon 27</p>	<p>Clear and Moderate I lay sick at Sally's in bed</p>
<p>Mon 27 Pierson &c to N York</p>	<p>Pierson Wife and 3 Boys Went to New York with the Rockland to Day About near 1 PM</p>
<p>Ja Ges 27 to NY</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner Again to New York</p>
<p>Jon Law 27 to NY to Work</p>	<p>Jon Lawrence to New York to Work at a large Steam Boat haled up on Dry Dock for 3 Dollars per Day And found I'm told</p>
<p>Tues 28 Rain</p>	<p>Rain all Day not much wind I in bed</p>
<p>28 No Preachg. at Jon Law Rain</p>	<p>Pierson Wife and children at Sallys about 5 PM, It Rained, None came to Meeting but George Lawrence and Bennet Chambers the teacher. No Preaching a Prayer they, ie Pierson Wife &c, Stay'd with Sally. I in bed there. Gracy there stay'd all Night.</p>
<p>Ja Ges bk 28</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner also back from NY but with Orange</p>

1835	Momento
<p>July 28 Ben Chambers Visits me</p>	<p>Bennet Chambers in My Sickness at Sally's visits me as a Real friend</p>
<p>28</p>	<p>Herbert there twice to see me</p>
<p>Wed 29 Rain</p>	<p>Rainy and Misty all Day, towards Night a Thunder Shower with Rain considerable before and After Sun set, Ground Wet</p>
<p>Pierson 29 brings me home</p>	<p>Brother Pierson took me from Sallys to Day about 10 o'clock with his covered Carriage to My own house, his horse at My place Yesterday till Now</p>
<p>I'm better 29</p>	<p>I am Some better to Day</p>
<p>Thurs 30</p>	<p>Clear and Moderate this morning, All Nature seems in perfect Stillness, no Wind, leaves of trees wet, seem as if they were listening to the Rays of the Sun falling on them</p>
<p>30 Sally came Gave me a Vomit 5 Dose</p>	<p>I feel not so well, very Weak, dizzy in the head, Stomach, by stirring a little grows very Sick. Sally came down About or near 2 PM, gave me some of her Medicine about 4 PM of an Emetick kind, and Attended me with some hot liquid to Aid the Operation of the Emetick being on the Thomsonian System botanical: It did at first make me a little Sick — She Gave Me twice more of the Emetick and repeatedly of the hot stuff; It did not seem to Work till some time, the 4th Dose started the Operation and brought up Abundance of thick Slime; it then began to work faithfully. After a little gave the 5th dose Which indeed made me very Sick and repeated Vomitting, nothing more, I strained, Mouth open, all</p>

1835	Momento
<p>July 30^o Much Slime brought up Lamb Soup</p>	<p>Seemed almost to have been extracted or hove up. Still very sick. I Drank Some Indian Meal Gruel; which was soon vomitted up Again. After About 2 hour job, I ceased taking any more Medicine, my Stomach became easy and Shortly felt much better than I was before, A large quantity of Slime Clinging together Was found in the Chamber Dish.</p> <p>Sally attended me faithfully. She went home just about or a little after Sun Set, sent me about 1 1/2 lb of very fat lamb. Gracy Made Me a little Soup as quickly as possible and it Seemed to Restore good feelings on My Sour Stomach and throat which by many turns of operation, seemed as though Smarted. Indeed I had a very Smart job before it was Done</p>
<p>30^o My Oxen got in Obbs Corn no Material Damage</p>	<p>Early in the Morning of this 30th Day, My Oxen had broken being in the Yoke over Obbs fence into his Corn Where the Old Barn Was, they were instantly discovered by Blacks living down there I was told They were driven out with but little Damage if Any at all noticable. Obb came over brought up the Oxen, his fence is real good but Buck the off Ox is a Savage with his head in fence, heaves, Rips and tears. The Oxen at present have had bad pasture.</p>
<p>Frid 31</p>	<p>Clear with Some Haziness this Morning</p>
<p>Ja Ges 31^o Side Did not go to New York</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner this 2 or 3 Days bad with his Side, intended to have gone to New York, he went Down to Snedens a Bushel Basket pairs. Gracy sent a little Basket &c.</p>
<p>I am 31^o better</p>	<p>I am Much better after taking the puke &c</p>

1835	Momento
August 1	Clear with Some Clouds, not over Warm today, Clouds all Day and at evening. Wind seems from the Northwest and Cool
1 Sally out of Wood I sent her Some &c	Sally here early this Morning, out of wood except some thick logs, wanted Oven Wood, She got enough to Bake with of Herbert before she came down, I told her to Send William Down, he came; but before he came I sent Alfred with horse for Herberts Waggon, he with Waggon took the Oven Wood up to her, then William came down with Alfred, with Waggon. I trimmed some good Apple limbs, thick ones, loaded the One horse Waggon, he took it home &c. These limbs were cut early last Spring in Trimming Apple trees
Ploughed 1 Potatoes	This Afternoon About 3 I ploughed the South piece of potatoes over Road, Alfred he hoed, no other to Day
Another 1 half hundred Wgt Rye Meal	Abraham Haring brought here to Day about 2 o'clock the 1/2 hundred weight Rye flour Jacob Gesner bought for Me this week at New York for 13 shillings he is paid, he took lamb down &c
Sabbath 2	Clear But a little Hazy early this Morning, cool but a Handsome Day
Pr. Mg. 2 Jon Law	Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences 10 o'clock He is at New York I, Gracy, Jacob Gesner, Mistress Cooper, Sarah Ann Moison, Margaret Wheeler, Brother Clark and Elizabeth Wheeler were there; Henry Concklin and Wife over River, back little after 12, not at Meeting; neither Betsy, Jacob Gesners wife, not well

1835	Momento
<p>Aug. 2 No Pr. Mg. upper Landg. Br. Clark declines it</p> <p>Many happy Meetings there</p> <p>our antagonists seem violently engaged Against us &c</p> <p>God preserve us</p>	<p>No Prayer Meeting at upper Landing. NB About this time there does seem an indifference Among a few to Continue this Meeting. Brother Clark expressly told me, we Might as well give it up; to Day on My Asking him About attending it he Replied in the negative. Many Happy Meetings We've had there, the house filled at our Prayer Meetings; But for some time past our Meetings are Small, from 12 to 20, last summer and summer and fall and before; those attended frequently from 60 to 80 and very Attentive. All the powers of our Opponents seem to have become combined to prevent us. Domini Cole interfering with our Appointments, the Baptist opposition, the Old Side, from Making Observation on circumstances there appears every exertion Made which is possible to prevent Reform, altho at present there seems a stilling yet consequences prove Many things as causes &c. Last Sabbath Afternoon 3 PM Mr. Cole it is said Delivered a lecture in the Baptist Meeting House at the hour of Pierson at Slote, in Many Respects there is industrious exertion, Stratagems and devices Against us, May God frustrate every wicked Attempt Against us, And Make us a people zealous of good Works, of exemplary lives and grow in the Wisdom and Knowledge of our Lord and Master</p>
<p>Mon 3</p>	<p>Clear but considerable Hazy this morning, Cloudy Afterwards and About 4 PM some Rain, holds up before</p>
<p>No School 3 last Week sick &c</p>	<p>All last week, I kept no School. I was sick</p>

1835	Momento
Augt 3	I Went up to My School again this Morning
3	Jacob Gesner to New York, he brought George Lawrence back
Paid Tom Smith 21 sh in full &c	3 I Paid Tom Smith see 24 July last 10 shillings when I took the pigs And to Day I paid him 11 shillings makes 21 shillings paid him in full
At John Brigg's pd.	3 At John Briggs's 1/2 lb tea 2 shillings 6 pence paid Cash
At Houses Rice paid	3 At Abraham Houses of his Wife 3 1/2 lb Rice 1 shilling 3 pence paid
2 Table Books I paid	3 Paid for 2 Table Books, 1 for Thomas and 1 for Jacob Ackerman
Wm. Law came for me &	3 William Lawrence came to fetch me from School About 20 Minutes after 5 PM with My horse and Herberts Waggon, his business Detained him, I walked most all the way
4	4 Clear and Nice this Morning, very cool all the past Night, very cold for time of year
Muslin fine for me a Shirt	4 Jacob Gesner back from New York, bought 4 Yards of fine good Muslin at 1/3 per Yard for me, a Shirt Gracy paid it

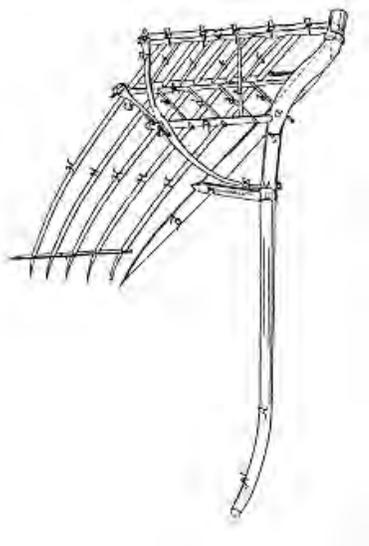
1835	Momento
Augt 5	Thinly Overcast this Morning. Cloudy all Day, not much Wind, a little from Southward
At Abram 5 Sarvants unpd.	At Abraham Sarvents of the Girl 3 1/2 lb Sugar 2 shillings 6 pence, Unpaid
Thurs 6 Rain	Mostly Overcast this Morning, about 4 PM begins to Rain and Rains a little the Rest of Afternoon till Night
Geo Hagens 6 lent me his umbrella	In coming from School upper Landing passing George Hagens, he offered me his Umbrella which I accepted for it Rained, I did not Ask him
Benj 6 Gravestine Paid me	Benjamin Gravestine sent me the 7 shillings due to me for the use of Oxen, this in full for Oxen, NB It is quite a While Ago when he had them
Frid 7	Clear this Morning and all Day, not very warm
Bot Shoes 7 of Ab House paid	Bought of Abraham House a pair of high Shoes for me 13 shillings paid to his Clerk
Table 7 Book &c	I Bought at Peter Taulmans a table book 6 shillings paid, I got it for John Ackerman, I got 2 Sometime ago, for Thomas and Jacob Ackerman

1835	Momento
Augt 7 Swill Ja Post &c	Another Barrel Swill came up yesterday from New York for Me &c, Jacob Posts team brought it up &c
Sat 8	Clear and a handsome day
Wm. Law 8 &c	William Lawrence helped clear a turnip patch next to Richards and back of Nut tree
Eliza 8 Wheeler up	Benjamin Snedens Daughter Eliza Married to Wheeler up from New York at Sally's
Sabbath 9	Clear and a Beautiful Morning and all Day, warm Middy
Pr. Mg. 9 Jon Law He came from NY	Prayer Meeting Jon Lawrences 10 o'clock AM. Jon Lawrence came up from New York, started from New York about 7 AM and home at 10 came with Steam boat on the other side of River fetched over this side by Martin Hagen I, Jacob Gesner and wife, Mistress Cooper, Wheeler, Margaret, Rachel Gravestine and the family composed this Meeting &c
Woodruff 9 at Sote	Woodruff Preached Sote School House 3 PM, only About 14 or 15 — his text 2 Corinthians 5 Chapter and 17 Verse "Therefore if Any Man be in Christ" a good discourse and much engaged, great Attention, I and Wheeler from Rockland there

NOTE: Swill was liquid or partly liquid food, chiefly kitchen refuse, given to swine; also called pig wash or hog wash. *OED*

1835	Momento
Augt 9 a Heavy Frost the 4th Instant	I am credibly informed that last tuesday Morning the 4th instant a full or heavy frost in David Manns Meadow, in Several places even discovered in the City of New York, and in different places or by the public papers stated —
Woodruff 9 upper Landg.	Woodruff Preached to Night upper Landing. I was not there nor Wheeler
Dry 10	Clear and Nice all Day, pretty warm Midday. The Ground wants Rain Again
Ja Ges 10 to NY	Jacob Gesner to New York Apples beans &c
Clearing 10 turnip patch	I took off the intended turnip patch very large Stone to Day. I and Alfred only —
Maj Ferd= 10 don Salt Meadow	Major Ferdon left word to Day I could have half the Salt Meadow lot, I had engaged the whole
Tues 11 Rain	Overcast this Morning About 12 o'clock it Rains, little, and continues to Rain some by turns till near Sun Set
Eliza 11 Wheeler here	Eliza Wheeler see the 8th Instant came to my house near Sun set Yesterday
Ja Ges bk 11 pain &c	Jacob back from NY plagued with his side

1835	Momento
Augt 12 Rain	Clear with Some Scud this Morning, at 12 it begins to Rain a little, some Rain through the Afternoon, not to hinder Work at Sun set it Rains Some &c
At Houses 12 Paid	At Houses yesterday a plough share, 3 shillings 6 pence paid, Alfred got
Ja Ges 12 sent apples 12	Jacob Gesner sent 3 Barrels of Apples Down I fixed the Turnip Ground and Got Ready
Thursd 13	Partly Clear, Sky looks Watery this Morning, Clear after a While and then warm all Day
I sowed 13 turnip seed	I Sowed turnip Seed this Morning. The seed I got some of George Hagen and some of Johnny Lawrence, 3 kinds is long, flat and Sugar turnip seed. The sugar kind I did not sow, Mixed the Rest and Sowed it
cut oats 13 had Ja Posts cradle	I cut My Oats in the upper field Yard this Afternoon nearly finished, Went 2 PM I had Jacob Posts Cradle
Ja Ges 13 Camp Meetg.	Jacob Gesner to Camp Meeting Methodist Protestant near Glassy point about 4 Miles above Haverstraw



NOTE: A cradle also called cradle scythe, or grain cradle is an agricultural tool, a form of the scythe, used to reap grain. It is a scythe with an arrangement of fingers attached to the snath, snathe or snaith handle, such that the cut grain falls upon the fingers and can be cleanly laid down in a row for collection. *Wikipedia*

1835	Momento
Augt 13 Camp Mg. began	Camp Meeting began last tuesday the 11th Instant, Weather Wet the 1st 2 Days at or Near Glassy point little Above Haverstraw
Grassy Point Manning 13 Sent by Authority	Rier Rireson for Manning the money Due to him
Fri 14	Clear this Morning, Afternoon a Shower, some Rain with some lightning and thunder
Sowed 14 Ja Ges turnip seed	This Afternoon I sowed Jacob Gesners little turnip Patch over the Road.
Eliza 14 Wheeler &c	Eliza Wheeler went from my house Yesterday Morning to see her Uncle Sam Sneden and Betsy Sneden, Came back to My house to Day near Sun Set
Sat 15 Rain	Pretty Clear this Morning, Wind Eastward. About 2 PM begins to Rain Again
I went to 15 Lawyer Blanch &c	I went this forenoon down to Lawyer Blanch near the tanners &c I showed him the Blank form for taking the Census, his opinion on the headings of the Columns Much as Mine &c, he had offered me to Read the Revised Laws, but the blank book contained all &c

1835	Momento
Augt 15 Camp Mg. poor weather	Camp Meeting, very Dull Weather, overcast and frequent Raining
Sabbath 16 Rainy	Overcast, Wind continues Easterly and Some Rain this Morning, a Drizzling Rain but very clear At Night, a Warm Day
No Pr. 16 Meetg. at Jon Law	No Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning, Jonathan is at New York, Jacob Gesner up to Camp Meeting, being Rainy no one came but Myself and Wheeler
Wheeler 16 Husband of Eliza Sneden came up yester. Went Away to Day	Wheeler from New York not Isaac Wheeler came up Yesterday Afternoon with Orange steam Boat just came to My house About 3 PM then Went to Sallys where his Wife, child and a Girl was, he stay'd there with them last Night, Went Away About 2 PM to Day, to cross the River and take the Steam boat there for New York
No Pr. 16 Mg. upper Landg.	No Prayer Meeting at upper Landing to Night I expect no one attended from Rockland
Mon 17	Clear this Morning, no Wind, a Warm Day and Clear all Day
Made 17 fence	I Made fence around turnip patch, William Lawrence helped draw rails &c 1/2 Day

1835	Momento
Augt 17 Ja Ges Geo Law bk from Camp	Jacob Gesner and George Lawrence from Camp Meeting this Afternoon, George went up on Saturday and Jacob Gesner the 13th Instant
Peggy 17 Quidor Miss Pierce &c to see Betsy	Peggy Quidor, David Tallmans Wife, Mistress Pierce, Mistress Cooper and Nauty Cooper here to See Jacob Gesners Wife Betsy this Afternoon
John Haring 17 the Miller found dead	Last Saturday Morning John Haring the son of old Daniel Haring and Brother to Cornelius Haring Deceased and Abraham Haring was found Dead in the bed, his Wife not knowing it untill Morning, he lived at Tappan
Black 17 Harry died Tues 18 Rain	Black Harry living in the Mountain died Also last Saturday Night Overcast looks Rainy, Rains in the Afternoon, in Evening Rains hard, Some lightning and thunder
Camp Mg. 18 breaks up finished 18 fence Wm. Law	Camp Meeting Glassy point Methodist Protestant broke up Yesterday Morning I finished the fence Round turnip Patch, William Lawrence helped a little Yesterday and to Day

1835	Momento
<p>Augt 18 Alfred had his head cut, made up a lie to me</p>	<p>Alfred got a hole cut in his head, he told me a lie, he said he fell from off the Straw above the Stable on the floor. But George Gesner told me Afterward he being in the Barn present, that Alfred Miles and William Lawrence in Rude scuffling was Shoven Against the edge of the little door part and cut his head, a Gash of near or quite an Inch and a half to the Scull bone on the top of his head.</p>
<p>Herb 18 Oxen</p>	<p>Herbert Gesner Oxen 3 or 4 Hours Yesterday Afternoon and to Day longer ploughing turnip ground in his Mountain lot of Jacob Concklin</p>
<p>Wed 19</p>	<p>Clear this Morning and Still hard rain last night Cloudy Afternoon</p>
<p>Geo Ges 19 mowed</p>	<p>George Gesner began to Mow Grass for me, bottom. William Lawrence was here part of forenoon</p>
<p>Census 19</p>	<p>I Began to take Census</p>
<p>Thurs 20</p>	<p>Clear this Morning and all Day</p>
<p>I sowed 20 Herbts. turnip seed</p>	<p>Early I sowed Herberts turnip Seed in the Mountain lot he bought of Jacob Concklin</p>

1835	Momento
Augt 20 I took census	I took Census 3/4 Day from Johnny Lawrence and David Mann to Slote, out over bridge
Ja Ges 20 Wm. Law	George Gesner Mowed Bottom, and took in Some Mowed Yesterday, William Lawrence helped Some, I expect near all Day
Fri 21 Rain	Cloudy, Rains a little early this Morning, last Night a Shower of Rain, some lightning and thunder, Clear About 9 and all Day
Geo Ges 21 & Wm. Law I took 21 Census	I went on taking Census 3/4 Day from Ferdons Saw Mill bridge to Fowlers thence to the corner at Abraham Houses Only to Cornelius Mabie's, I was home last Night and to Night
22	Clear Cool, little Air from SW this Morning, Clear all Day
Census 22	I went on taking census 3/4 Day, went from Abraham Houses to Mouth of Creek then back and up to Charles Harings and Hendrixes
Geo Ges 22 Hay Wm. Law	George Gesner Hay all Day for Me, William Lawrence &c

1835	Momento
Augt 22	Jacob Gesner back from New York
22	Several Persons sick at Slote New Landing
Sabbath 23	Clear and Handsome all Day
23 Pr. Mg. Jon Law	Prayer Meeting Jonathan Lawrences 10 o'clock AM. Gracy, Jacob Gesner and Wife, Mistress Cooper, Wheeler, myself, Margaret, Rachel Gravestine, Sarah Ann Moison, And family Jon Law at New York Compose the Meeting. Wheeler Spoke very well and Jacob Gesner exhorted very well indeed
23 Pierson did not come Wheeler exhorted very well Cole in Bapt Mt. Ho.	Meeting at Slote School House. I and Wheeler there and Lucy, there was Collected between 25 and 30 persons; but 9 or 10 Males Remained out doors, did not come in as Pierson did not come there were in 15 females and 3 Males, Wheeler Delivered an excellent discourse, a good Meeting. Phebe and Eley and Emaline and Juliet there NB Mr. Cole kept Meeting 3 PM in Baptist Meeting House at our established hour
No 23 Preachg upper Landg, Pierson not here	No Preaching upper Landing to Night. Pierson did not come, none there from Rockland.

1835	Momento
Augt 24	Clear, a little Hazy this Morning, Nice Day
Wm. Ges 24 & Geo	William Gesner and George both today in hay below
Wm. Law I helped 24 Survey for Iseman I came home to Draw &c	I helped Run out a lot of About 9 Acres for John Iseman, from him to Abraham Mabie, Mason from New York. Daniel Vervalen there with his Compasses, young Man &c. I came home About half after 10 AM to draw map and Did
Tues 25 Rain	Pretty Overcast, a little Rain in the East this Morning, Rain'd near Sun set. I at David Gesners widow, got her umbrella, went to Henry Gesners, stay'd all Night
Baxter's 25 Call &c	I Bought of a Ragged young box pedlar Baxters call to Unconverted, and his life, he asked 3 shillings for the two, I had 2 shillings 8 pence change which he took this Was some time Week before last
Deed 25 Map to John Iseman	I Delivered the Deed I wrote and Map to John Iseman this Morning at his house as I went to take Census
Took 25 Census	I Went to take Census, began at Philip Sarvants About 9 AM, Went as far as David Gesners Widow, 3/4 Day
Geo Ges 25	George Gesner helped &c

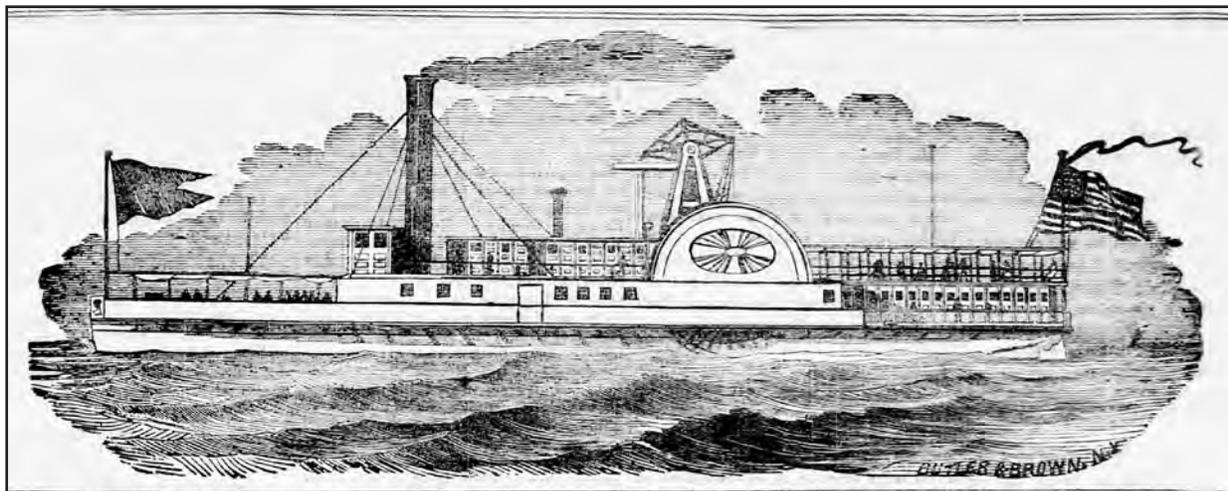
1835	Momento
<p>Augt 26 Rainy</p>	<p>Rainy a little all Day</p>
<p>Took 26 Census</p>	<p>Went from Henry Gesners, took census 1 Day, Went up and Went through half of Village at Nyack, Ate Dinner at John Felters, ate Breakfast and Supper at Henry's, stay'd there all Night</p>
<p>Thursd 27</p>	<p>Clear all Day, a little foggy in Morning, Clouds in Afternoon look for Rain but no Rain, a little Sprinkling</p>
<p>Ja Ges 27 to NY bk</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner to New York Yesterday back to Day</p>
<p>27 Took Census done on East side of Mountain except &c</p>	<p>I Stay'd Again last Night at Henry Gesners. Went and took census 1 Day, finished in the Village at Nyack, went a long shore then to Michael Tallmans, came back went up turnpike to David Dutchers, back a long by John White and so along Southerly long old road finished: Went to Henry Gesner took tea near Dark, he took me with One horse Waggon to Houses. I came on foot from Abraham Houses, home 1/2 after 9 PM all done east of Mountain, one family not home, Brick front house near Baptist Meeting House</p>
<p>Fri 28 I filled up 2 Deeds for Hen Gesner</p>	<p>Began to Rain this Morning Wind Easterly, Rainy by turns all Day I filled up 2 Deeds to Day (at Home) 1 from Henry Gesner to Gilchrist and 1 from Henry Gesner to Jacob Demarest, 2 lots in the Village of Nyack, paid afterwards</p>

1835	Momento
Augt 28 Deeds	I took no Census to Day, at Home, Rain, Wrote 2 Deeds see under last page
Ja Ges 28 to NY	Jacob Gesner to New York, had 500 pickles ie cucumbers of his Own &c Betsy sent flowers —
29	Cloudy and clear Alternately all Day and warm
Geo Ges 29 Wm. Law	George Gesner, William Lawrence Mowed in Swamp, I home, cut about an hour or more
Ja Ges 29 back	Jacob Gesner back from New York
Obb Oxen 29 to fetch Swill	Obb had Oxen little before Sun down, to go to Snedens for Swill perhaps after 10 at Night
Sabbath 30	Cloudy this Morning, Clouds moving from SW, handsome Day
30 Pr. Mg. at Jon Law he came home No Pr. Mg. &c	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences 10 o'clock, Derick Clark, Isaac Wheeler and Girl Eley, Henry Concklin and Wife, Mistress Cooper, Myself, and Jacob Gesner and Mistress Pierce and family there Jon Lawrence came home from New York just as the Meeting commenced — We had a profitable Meeting. Wheeler Spoke very well Jacob Gesner very well Margaret not there to Day, she is very Attentive to our Meetings. No Prayer Meeting at upper Landing
Mon 31	Clear and Handsome this Morning

1835	Momento
Augt 31 Wm. Conck Geo Ges Mowed &c Herb helped I home	George Gesner near 1 Day, William Concklin 3/4 Day, both in Old Orchard Mowed &c. I helped Rake &c, we put up 30 Cocks, the Grass very old, 4 Weeks Ago it stood very good Herbert helped 2 Jags in from Swamp also, I home to Day
Jon & Sally 31 to NY	Jonathan Lawrence and Sally to New York, Jon went to Work at Steam boat
Mary 31 Ann Ges here	Mary Ann Herberts wife here on a visit this Afternoon. The first in a long time
5 Dol 31 of J. Law	This Morning Jon Lawrence Gave me a 5 Dollar Note, said it was on fire wood he had, I told him I intended not to take it on the wood but to pay it back again as I wanted to use some money &c
Sept 1	Getting overcast this Morning, but clear the past Night; very cold, yet I saw no frost. Sun comes through the Clouds by turns through the Day
I went 1 for plumbs got none Sugar I got at Houses 7 lb 5 sh 6 p paid	I went up Nyack for Blue gages for sweat Meats, all gone I went as far as Daniel Onderdoncks Esq, I stopped at Abraham Sarvent, no Sugar there, I stopped at Cose Blauvelts, he had none At Houses 7 lb I got very heavy and dark sugar 5 shillings 6 pence paid

1835	Momento
Sep. 1 At Peter Taulmans 7 lb Sugar & 3 1/2 lb sugar paid	At Peter Taulmans 7 lb Sugar I got for 5 shillings 6 pence, a far better and whiter sugar, paid him also at Peter Taulmans 3 1/2 lb very nice sugar 3 shillings, paid
A letter 1 from Wm F Harris	Also in the Office a letter from William F Harris, handed me postage 1 shilling 6 pence paid. He is yet at Geneva
1	I laid out to Day for Sugar 14 shillings
Jon Law 1 Acct paid House in full	To Day I paid for Jonathan Lawrence to Abraham House 7 Dollars and 89 cents in full, I took Mr. House's Receipt for Jon Lawrence in full. Jon Lawrence Gave me 10 Dollar Note And House Gave change back 2.10 cents
I paid 1 of Jon Law Money	I used of the change House gave; 10 shillings of Jonathan Lawrences Money for sugar at Peter Taulmans
Wm. Conck 1 Geo Gesner	William Concklin and George Gesner all Day, Hay I expect
2	Clear as a Bell this Morning cool but I saw no frost Wind Northerly all Day, cool
Mowed 2 Salt Meadow the hands	I William Concklin, George Gesner Bil Dyckman and Another coloured man Mowed off by 4 PM Major Ferdons Salt Meadow 3 1/2 Acres, William Lawrence and Alfred stouted it

1835	Momento
Sep. 3	Clear this Morning and cool. I saw no frost, a Heavy Dew, the wind very still
At Houses 3 Rum 2 sh pd	Yesterday Morning at House's 1/2 Gallon Rum for Salt Meadow, 2 shillings paid, fetched by Alfred
Geo Ges 3 Wm. Law	George Gesner and William Lawrence 3 Jags Hay from old Orchard
Isaac 3 Wheeler his son Aaron Myself And Alfred Raked up 3 1/2 Acre lot SaltMeadow this Afternoon	I, Alfred, Isaac Wheeler and Son Aaron this Afternoon Raked up 3 1/2 Acres Salt Meadow Johannes Ferdons 5 Acre lot, And put up about 70 Cocks. I and Alfred Stay'd, it was Growing Dusk, and put up 20 Cocks more after Wheeler and son Went away. We all did Work faithful.
3 a frightful circumstance Steam boat Orange like to run over the tow boat great Danger &c	A frightful circumstance. The Steamboat Orange this Afternoon opposite Snedens in the time while putting things from the Steam boat into the tow boat, the Rope by which the Steam boat is steered broke, she then came around on the tow boat, they hastened and took the tiller to steer her and that broke, by this time the tow boat was run almost under, half full of water, Women Screaming, things canted off tow boat in the River, One Man overboard like to be Drowned, Jim Bogart put an oar in for a tiller &c. My Sally was in the cabin part of the tow boat this was all done almost in an instant, boiling water and Crying and Screaming &c.



Early Steamboat

1835	Momento
Sep. 4	Clear and all Day handsome
Hands 4 put up Salt Hay in Barrack	I, Isaac Wheeler and Son Aaron, William Lawrence, George Gesner put the Salt Hay in Major Ferdons barracks to Day, got done About Sun set. Cose pitched near 1/2 Day, got Drunk, he brought Rum to Meadows, he is paid
Paid 4 Cose	Gave Cose 9 pence, Gave Wynche 1 shilling 11 pence = 2 shillings 0 pence and 6 pence the next Day, he sent his boy, which Makes 3 shillings 2 pence paid
Sat 5	Clear and handsome All Day and Moderately Warm
Herbt. 5 Oxen	George Gesner Oxen for Herbert ploughing at David Blauvelts
Shoes for 5 Wheeler did not fit Wm. Law Shoes paid	I and William Lawrence to Slote, I got pair Shoes for Wheeler. I did not pay, they did not suit him, he is to Return them, they were got at Houses William Lawrence Got his, spoke for, 14 shillings paid by William Lawrence, nice Calf Skin Shoes
flour at 5 Taulmans pd	At Taulmans I Bought 14 lb Wheat flour 4 shillings paid
had Ale 5	At Houses 1 Glass Ale 3 pence paid
for Sally 5 Paid	Sally Gave me 1 shilling 8 pence, I bought for her at Peter Taulmans 1 lb Soap and a table book for Sarah 6 pence and a Small box Matches with Sand Paper to produce fire 1 shilling = 2 shillings 2 pence is 6 pence I added — the Articles are paid
Beckey 5 Wandle	Rebeckah Wyant Wandle came at Sally's this Afternoon
Sally 5 poorly	Sally poorly, She came up from New York Thursday, see the 3d Instant Jonathan Would have come up with her, now she Wishes he had
Paid to 5 Bill Mowing	I Paid Bill for Mowing in Salt Meadow 7 shillings, to the other yet 7 shillings Due, is only one paid his boy's Schooling is 4 shillings, I owe him 3 shillings

1835	Momento
paid Sep. 5 to Wheeler &c	Wheeler's Girl sent, Met her on the Road, wanted money, Gave her for Wheeler 1 shilling see the 6th Instant
Sabbath 6	Foggy this Morning, breaks away after a little while, Clear Afterwards
I & Gracy 6 at Sally's all Nt Pray Meet 6 Jon Law	I and Gracy all last Night at Sally's, she is poorly Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences Sally in Bed Sick and Jon Lawrence at New York I, Gracy, Jacob Gesner and Wife, Wheeler and Wife and Daughter Elizabeth And Rebeckah Wyant Wandle and family
Woodruff 6 not at Slote &c	Woodruff not at Slote this Afternoon, did not come, I and Wheeler and Lucy from Rockland, there were about 14 or 15, this Makes 2 disappointments running. Wheeler Sung and prayed &c, first Waited till near 4 PM
Paid 6 Isaac Wheeler for work in Salt Hay	I Paid Isaac Wheeler 14 shillings, he wanted to go to New York in Morning coming in Monday, Now he has had 15 shillings see 5th Instant which was his demand for helping in Salt Hay, is 1 1/2 Day for himself at 6 shillings per Day = 9 shillings and 1 1/2 Day Aaron at 4 shillings per Day = 6 shillings Makes 15 shillings paid in full
Mond 7 Rain	Overcast this Morning, Nice Rain last Night. The Ground Required it Clear Afternoon It Rained nice Rain last Night
Paid to 7 Wm. Conck &c	I Paid William Concklin 7 shillings, old David Concklin came for it, for helping cut Salt Grass 1 Day
Sally a 7 little better Wrote letter &c	Sally a little better apparently. I Wrote her a letter to Jon Lawrence, he is at New York. Isaac Wheeler took it

1835	Momento
Sep. 7 Rebeckah Wyant here	Rebeckah Wyant came here about 2 PM from Sally's with her little Girl
I wrote 7 Deed for John Willse	I Wrote a Deed for John Willse to Leonard Beasley to Day, he has Sold his place Joining me for 2000 Dollars
Borrowed 7 of John Willse	John Willse lent me this Afternoon 13 dollars, Paid this back Some time Afterwards
Tues 8	Clear and very handsome this Morning
Woodruff 8 here, Pierson quitting the Circuit	Brother Woodruff came to My house about between 9 and 10 AM And tells me that Pierson has given up and is going to New York, his health will not endure travelling I am told by Woodruff
Woodruff 8 at upper Land	Woodruff Preached at upper Landing last Night
Woodruff 8 Pd. Jon L. to Night held Class Henry & Peggy fled	To Night at Jon Lawrences from Ephesians 6th and 14 "But God forbid that I should Glory save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, to Whom the world is crucified unto me and I unto the World" He (Woodruff) Preached an excellent Sermon and an Affecting application. There were About 30, a Solemn Attention paid, had Class Meeting After Sermon, Henry Concklin and Peggy left the Room instantly when Woodruff proposed Class, they were the 2 first that went out.



Early 20th century picture of the house that John Willse sold to Leonard Beasley, which was destroyed when the Palisades Parkway was built. The original may have been a smaller stone house.

1835	Momento
Sep. 8	Woodruff Stay'd to Sally's to Night after Meeting
Wed 9	Clear And very Handsome this Morning and all Day
9 I took census 1/2 Day +	I went took census, entered My Name and Jacob Gesners, and Black Tom Smiths &c. Began with Matthias Concklin's, went through Tappan Village as far as the late Residence of Garret Smith, Now Samuel Verbrycks, from there up towards Slote as far as the Black's near Abraham Browers, the house on the South side of Samuel Vervalens 1/2 Day. Then it was Dark. Then I went on to Slote School House and heard Woodruff Preach — Woodruff Preached at Slote School House to Night from Psalm 145 Chapter and 9 Verse "The Lord is good to all, and his tender mercies are over all his work." Not a long discourse, but very affecting, he appeared to be in the Spirit of his Subject, there were only About 16, a Good Meeting Eley and Phebe are faithful in attending
Woodruff 9 Pd. Slote Sch. Ho.	
10	Overcast this Morning, looks like for Rain, soon Cleared Off, Nice Day, Middling Warm
Took 10 Census	I took census, began at Samuel Vervalens and Around by Isaac Blanches corner up as far as where Old John Mabie did live, night came home
Sally 10 better	Sally better to Day and Yesterday
Ja Ges 10 Mare	Jacob Gesner the Mare back to Peter Mabies Mills &c, bought 4 sheep and 1 pig and Butter

1835	Momento
Sep. 11	Clear this Morning; very Still, and Warm, nice all Day
Fowlers 11 daughter died	David Fowlers Daughter Died this Afternoon
11 I took Census to Day began at Abr. C. Smiths long Mountain to Clarkstown Staid at Is Blauv.	I Started from home early and took Census, Had been Yesterday up as far as Where Old John Mabie did live Now in possession by his Son Petes Widow Widow Margaret and Richard De Grant, and began by Abraham C Smith. Went up under the Mountain to the last House Where Isaac Blanch used to live and back to Where Isaac Smith used to live in the field where there was Blacks, Cesar Palmer Coloured Man, finished this Days work, crossed to Isaac Blauvelts, I mean Big Isaac Blauvelts, Staid there All Night
Ja Ges 11 to NY	Jacob Gesner to New York to Day, had bought 4 old Sheep, Dressed them and took some pares for Gracy
Sat 12 Took census & came home	I took Census, began at Big Isaac Blauvelts or at Old Garrett Blauvelts, took all as far as the Bridge over the Hackensack Creek Near Cornelius Lydacker, not over, and Returning came Down Greenbush Road passing John G Blauvelts and John G Bogerts to Jack Smith Coloured Man opposite John D Harings Mill Dam, being Dark, began to Rain at Bogerts, Who lent me an Umbrella. Came home.
Geo Thomas 12 from NY	George Thomas Methodist Protestant Preacher came up to Day from New York
Ja Ges bk 12	Jacob Gesner back

1835	Momento
Sep. 13 Sabbath	Overcast this Morning, has Rain'd smartly last Night, Cloudy all Day, no Rain to Day
Geo 13 Thom. Preach Jon Law	George Thomas having been invited came up yesterday and Preached at Jon Lawrences 10 o'clock AM. Text in Revelations 3 and from 7th to the 13th Verse principally, An excellent Sermon truly, about 25
Geo Thom 13 Preach at Slote	George Thomas Preached at Slote 3 PM from the Psalm of David &c. This was a Close and trying Sermon, he spoke with Much energy, a Solemn Attention was paid by a congregation of About 30
Geo Thom 13 Pd. upper Lg.	George Thomas Preached upper landing to Night from these Words, What would a Man Give in exchange for his Soul or Rather "What will it profit a Man if he gain the Whole World and lose his own soul" &c This Sermon produced much Solemnity and tears, a Most affecting Sermon to About 30 Again
had Geo Law 13 Waggon Who Went from Rockland	I Got George Lawrences Waggon my Mare, Gracy, Betsy, Peggy and Mary Lawrence came Down, they Went back. I and Wheeler Went up to upper Landing from Rockland to Slote School House, there was Wheeler, Henry Concklin, Peggy, Myself, Jacob Gesner and Wife, Gracy, Mary Lawrence, Bennet Chambers Also Relay and Wife and Mistress Pierce Phebe and Eley are faithful.

1835	Momento
Paid Sep 13 Manning &c	Paid to Esquire Adolphus Mabie for John C Manning his Account the 13th Instant
I Gave 13 in Collection for Geo Thom 4 sh for myself & 2 sh for JL Mon 14	I Gave to Collecting for Brother George Thomas to day 4 shillings for Myself and 2 shillings to Jake for Jonathan Lawrence to Thomas, in all 20 shillings was given him for his coming up Clear but Cloudy this Morning clouds from ?
14 took Census	I Went and took Census, began at Peter Perry's, went along by John Perry's Along Scoreclaw up along by Richard Elsworth up by Jacob Piercy's up to Montgomery's in and out back to Cornelius Sickles, stay'd there all Night; but first left Vanhoutens and Went to Captain Sickles, then near Sun set. Then crossed from Sickles to Van Houtens Mill and then up to house further than Montgomery's, Now Returned back to Sickles, between 8 and 9 at Night. Stayed at Sickles
Tues 15 Frost	Cold Morning and a white frost, a Nice Day
15	I Went from Sickles after eating Breakfast up the Road to Rulef Sickles, up to Major Cases Backward and forward to Hudson

1835	Momento
<p>Sep. 15 took census</p>	<p>then cross lots NWestward, came in Road from Major Cases, Went to Hogencamps so up as far as where the Road Strikes off Westward, went on endless Way into the SW corner of Orange Town, back Again from Cornelius Smiths to Middletown Road, finished as far as James J Demarest, Stayd there all Night, ate supper and Breakfast</p>
<p>16</p>	<p>Clear and Another frost this Morning, nice Day</p>
<p>16 took Census got alone went home in the night</p>	<p>I Went from James J Demarests southward, followed the Road in and Out to the Jersey line, thence Westward in and Out through the woods I scarcely know Where, over the Mud Creek to One Peter Felter's, from thence up lots and to Middletown Road, came out at Bashes, Down past Griffiths, ate Dinner about 1 PM at one Stultz's, Went on to Dow and Coopers thence South on the hill inland to a Widow, there a Good House, down to the Road, came out at Jacob Perry's, went on to the Cotton factory, thence to David Blauvelts, back to Bridge, saw Peter Depew there by Greens, took census there by Candle light: Now I had been through every hook and hole in the town, went on homeward. Stopped at John Perry's the 2nd time to get the Number of his Acres of Land, was not yet ready, told him he must send it in 2 Weeks, Went home, got home about 10 o'clock Night, I walked hard</p>

NOTE: The Mud Creek that Nicholas mentions was the original name of the stream that passes through Pearl River, New York. Pearl River was the new name for the waterway as well as for the village. The name was changed because pearls were discovered in a few of the freshwater mussels that lived in the creek.

1835	Momento
Sep. 17	Clear, I saw no frost this Morning, nice Day, seems to get little Cloudy towards night
Borrowd 17 of Geo Law pd	I Borrowed of George Lawrence 5 Dollars for Herbert to Get Rye at Peter Perry's to Sow, 6 Bushels at 7/6. This is paid to George Lawrence by myself
Sowed 17 Rye	I Sowed the Rye over Gulley all except the lower piece, finished the upper part in the Day, About 5 1/4 Bushels
Old Esq 17 Demarests Wife died	Old Esquire James Demarests second wife died Night before last
Sturr &c 17 going away	It is said that Isaac Sturr has quit the School in the Episcopal Methodist Church and is going to New York to live to Drive cart and Horse
Grain 17 Bot of Peter Perry	Herbert Went with 1 Dollar I gave him and the 5 Dollars of George Lawrence And Got the 6 Bushels at 7/6 of Peter Perry see above, Perry is paid
18	Cloudy this Morning not very cool a Nice Day
Ja Ges 18 bought of David Man 10 old Sheep had 4 before these 6	Jacob Gesner to New York with 6 old Sheep he got of David Mann, NB he had bought them, David Mann intended to get others out of the drove but could not get them As cheap as he had Sold them to Jacob Gesner for 17/6 a piece, was unwilling to let Jacob have them &c

1835	Momento
<p>Sep. 18 I went up to begin school again &c</p>	<p>I Went up to begin School Again to Day for Want of the Key Clark had it being up in his Quarry &c before the key was got It was near 12, the neighbors or employers thought best to begin Monday next and so let them know I would begin next Monday</p>
<p>Rain 19</p>	<p>A Cloudy scud from SE this Morning, afternoon looks for a storm, Rains in Evening</p>
<p>Drew 19 Bond and Mortgage from Leond. Beasley to John Willse Drew a Deed from John Willse to Leonard the 9th Inst.</p>	<p>This Evening I drew a Bond and Mortgage from Leonard Beasley to John Willsey on the property Said Leonard got of John Willsey; the Deed from John to Leonard Dated the 9th And the Mortgage And Bond from Leonard to John Dated the 21st September which will be to Morrow. The Deed is not yet Delivered Although Acknowledged, And the Mortgage is intended to be had Acknowledged to Morrow, the sum of the Bond and Mortgage payable May 1 next is 1000 Dollars And 1000 to be paid down I expect to Morrow by Leonard to John Willse</p>
<p>Sat 20</p>	<p>Rain last Night, a bad Storm, Wind NEward. Clear with Clouds about 9 o'clock AM</p>
<p>No Pr. Mg. 20 at Jon Law he is up from New York</p>	<p>I and Wheeler up to Jon Lawrences, no others came, no Prayer Meeting. Jon Lawrence home yesterday Afternoon from New York</p>

1835	Momento
<p>Sep. 20 Doct Sweet Dead</p>	<p>I have understood that Mr. Sweet is Dead, the successful Botanic Physician at New York</p>
<p>I sowed 20 Rye again</p>	<p>I Sowed Friday Afternoon About 1 1/2 Bushels Rye under the hill back of old Barn, George Gesner had Sowed Near half of that piece</p>
<p>Sowed over 20 Gulley Rye of Ja Post</p>	<p>There is Sowed Over Gulley in all About 7 Bushels or more perhaps. Herbert got 1/2 bushel of Jacob Post</p>
<p>of Cose 20 Blauvelt 2 Bush. Rye</p>	<p>Yesterday I Got Alfred fetched it 2 Bushels Rye, Tom Smith of James Blauvelts part. I Agreed with James Blauvelt 7 shillings 6 pence per Bushel, Unpaid</p>
<p>Mond. 21 Some Rain</p>	<p>Clear, Cool with Some Clouds this Morning, Afternoon Clouds heavy with Rain, Some Rain at Rockland, And at Nyack several hard flaws</p>
<p>Went 21 to School the first &c</p>	<p>I Went up to School this Morning, this is the first Since the long intermission of about 6 weeks</p>
<p>21 After School went up to Nyack Village came home</p>	<p>I Went After School out in Afternoon 10 Minutes of 5 PM up to Nyack Village to see Blacklidge the Supervisor about bringing in My Account of time for taking the Census of the Town of Orange, quite Dark when I started from the Village and came home, Roads Above Slote Muddy</p>

1835	Momento
Sep. 21 No Pr. Mg. upper Landg.	No Prayer Meeting at upper Landing last Night nor Any Preaching at Sote School House 3 PM, that Appointment is Stopped &c, New Arrangements Since Pierson quit the Rockland circuit
Hen Ges 21 paid me 6 sh	Henry Gesner paid me at Smiths corner Nyack Village for filling up 2 Deeds for him 6 shillings
Herb 21 Oxen	Herbert Oxen Saturday last ploughing David Blauvelts.
Ja Ges 21 more Sheep	Jacob Gesner out to Day, Bought 7 Sheep &c with Mare and Waggon
22	Clear this Morning and very still
Woodruff 22 Down to Clarks No Meetg. upper Landg.	Woodruff Down Yesterday to Brother Clarks, he told me that Brother Clark advised him not to come to the School House upper Landing, that no one would be out; so no Meeting Upper Landing last Night
Herbt. 22 Oxen & Mare	Herbert My Oxen and Mare to Day ploughing David Blauvelts
Woodruff 22 Pd. Jon Law to Night Stayed there	Woodruff Preached Jonathan Lawrences to Night from Isaiah the 40 Chapter and last Verse "But they that wait upon the Lord shall &c" to about 15 or 16 an excellent good Sermon. Jacob Gesner and Wife not there, not very Well. I. Gracy, Mistress Cooper, Letty Post, Jacob Post, Chambers, Mistress Pierce, Eley, Wheeler and Son, Henry and Peggy there who Went out as Class Meeting began he Stayd at Jon Lawrences.

1835	Momento
Sep. 23 Frost	A Heavy White frost this Morning especially in low Ground, the top of some ploughed ground a little frozen, Clear, Still cool, but Handsome
23 Woodruff Prd. at Slote Sch House an excellent Discourse	Woodruff Preached at Slote School House to Night, About 14 only, the few in number did not embarrass our Brother Woodruff who delivered to us an excellent Sermon, he truly seemed in the Spirit and enjoyment of the Subject; his soul was alive and in the Spirit of it he preached from Revelations 22 Chapter and 14 Verse "Blessed are they" &c. The solemnity of the discourse and the pressing the Momentious Subject to each heart, appeared to humble into serious Attention every hearer &c. This Sermon is rather an extraordinary one, I was at Meeting, I stay'd after the School was out, none other from Rockland
Ja Ges 23 to NY Thursd 24 Frost	Jacob Gesner Dressed his Sheep, went to New York Frost and Clear as a Bell this Morning, About 11 grew Cloudy, cool all Day, at Night seems to look somewhat for foul
Will Ges 24 Moved Buckwheat &c	William Gesner cut greater part of My Buckwheat, began he said 11 AM worked till near Dark, afterwards he finished it, his charge 6 shillings paid

1835	Momento
<p>Sep. 24 Steambt. Orange some thing &c</p>	<p>Steam Boat Orange something is the Matter with the boiler I expect, I saw her Moving very slow, her Steam Smoaking from her bottom &c</p>
<p>Woodruff 24 in at Derick Ackers Slote</p>	<p>This Morning About 8 o'clock I and Woodruff went in to Derick Ackers, Woodruff Made an excellent Prayer, very suitable to the situation of the family. Old Age and the Solemnity of Approaching death, infirmities and Afflictions &c, his daughter Catharine has been sick, some better</p>
<p>Frost 25</p>	<p>Clear and cool and frost this Morning, clear All Day and cool wind Northerly</p>
<p>At Peter 25 Taulmans 3 1/2 lb Sug. 3 sh & a piss pot 2 sh = 5 sh paid</p>	<p>At Peter Tallmans 3 1/2 lb Sugar 3 shillings paid and 2 shillings for a Small chamber pot all paid About Sunset or Nearly. Gracy and Mary Lawrence there at Taulmans with Mare and Herberts old Waggon, they had been to carding Mill, took there 15 lb Wool to be carded and Spun for full Cloth I came out of School and met them there</p>
<p>I got 25 Jon Law. bill at P Taulman this afternoon near night</p>	<p>I at Sally's Request got Peter Taulmans Bill Against Jonathan Lawrence, it was within 5 or 6 shillings fifty Dollars. A Day or 2 ago I got 1/2 Quire paper 1 shilling paid</p>

1835	Momento
<p>Sep. 25 Eley at Sally's Sewing</p>	<p>Eley Westervelt came to Sally's to Make the little Girls frocks, tuesday the 22nd Instant, there yet this Evening</p>
<p>W. Ges 25 cut Buckwht.</p>	<p>William Gesner finished cutting My Buckwheat 1 Day in all, see 24th Instant all paid</p>
<p>Frost 26</p>	<p>Clear cool this Morning and frost, clear all Day, is paid see page from last under</p>
<p>I worked 26 On Road &c</p>	<p>I Worked 3/4 Day and Alfred worked along with me on the Road, David Mann Road Master, this Makes only 2 Days I've worked this year as Yet</p>
<p>I tied 26 Corn Stalks</p>	<p>I tied stalks, came off the Road working near 4 PM, and Went and tied and Stouted the Corn Stalks over the Run</p>
<p>Ja Ges 26 looking for sheep back in Country</p>	<p>Jacob Gesners Mare and Herberts Waggon back looking for sheep</p>
<p>Domini 26 Lansing Died his Age, the building of Meetg. Ho. &c</p>	<p>Dominy Nicholas Lansing Minister of the Gospel in the Dutch Reformed Church Tappan Died this Morning, he must be about 87 or 88 Years of Age And has preached About or near 50 years at Tappan and Continued Preaching to his last, An entire new Meeting House of Brick on the identical Spot where the Old one stood, he did not live to See finished. I saw him last Week; the Old church had been Repaired About 47 or 48 years Ago, the old church was built about 1716</p>

1835	Momento
Sep. 27	Clear and Moderate this Morning
27 Prayr. Mg. at Jon Law	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning, a good little Meeting, only Myself, Gracy, Isaac Wheeler and Wife, Elizabeth Rice widow , Rachel Gravestine, Mistress Pierce, and the family Jonathan Lawrence at New York also Sarah Ann Moison were all that composed the Meeting this Morning; Jacob Gesner and Wife, Mistress Cooper, Peggy and Henry not there Margaret is not situated at present to Come — Lucy is much confined with Small children. They were not there
Lansing 27 Buried	Dominy Lansing died Yesterday and buried to Day in the Afternoon
28	Overcast, somewhat Red in the east this Morning, near sun set it sprinkles with Rain, holds up About sun set, Clouds from the West by South
28 Sally gave me to pay on Peter Taulmans Acct 25 15 cts for Jon Law I paid it to P Taulman	This Morning on My way to School upper Landing I Stopped at Peter Taulmans, Paid 25 15 cents on Jonathan Lawrences Account, with Money Sally gave me this Morning to give to Peter Taulman, Now there Remains yet due by the bill drawn up and in Sally's hands from Jon Lawrence to Peter Taulman 24 . Charles Taulman entered the 25 15 cents on Bill, and I took the bill and gave it to Sally to Night

1835	Momento
<p>Sep. 28 Began School 2nd qr.</p>	<p>This Morning I began 2nd Quarter teaching school upper Landing</p>
<p>Tues 29</p>	<p>Overcast this Morning not evenly no frost About here, Somewhat Cloudy all Day</p>
<p>Ja Ges 29 bk from New York</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner back from New York Market, went Yesterday, had 2 fat Sheep, killed, got somewhere back in the Country and 1 Barrel fall pippins for Gracy</p>
<p>At 29 Taulmans pd at Houses 29 paper paid</p>	<p>At Tallmans a few Days Ago 1/2 quire paper 1 shilling paid At Houses to Day 9 Sheets paper 9 pence Paid</p>
<p>Wed 30 Snow</p>	<p>Clear, cool this Morning, White frost, a cold Raw Day, Cloudy, a Sprinkling Rain towards Night, some Snow, the Sky somewhat squally</p>
<p>Ja Ges 30 to NY</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner to New York, not lamb nor mutton, 1 Barrel Apples for Gracy</p>
<p>At John 30 Briggs tea &c</p>	<p>At John Briggs's 1/2 lb tea 2 shillings 3 pence, paid 1 shilling 3 pence on it, 1 shilling Yet Due paid since</p>
<p>Peaches 30 of Clark</p>	<p>William Lawrence About peck Miserable hog peaches at Derick Clarks to Day, a poor Gift, he had to Get them of James Graham; the peaches he had Saved for Sally and us was stole</p>

1835	Momento
Octo. 1	Raw Cold, Somewhat hazy this Morning, Wind high Midday from the south, towards Night thick overcast, Sprinkles near Sun set, in the evening Clear and Still
1	Jacob Gesner back from New York
2 Dol of John Briggs	I got 2 Dollars of Emmy, John Briggs's wife, after School out on Schooling
Paper of Philip Sarv.	I Bought 1/2 Quire paper of Philip Sarvants Wife, paid sixpence and 6 pence due
6 p paid At P Taul= mans Sugar pd	At Peter Taulmans 7 lb Sugar 6 shillings paid
2	Very Clear this Morning, no Winds, soon became Overcast, Cloudy and overcast by turns all Day, towards Night and in first part of evening a little Rain, but clear between 9 and 10 at Night
I went up to Nyack Village came back	After School About 5 PM I went up to Nyack Village, left My Account for taking census this year and 2 Days for services as School Commissioner at Blacklidges the Supervisor who Meets the board of Supervisors next tuesday. I stated 15 Days taking Census, Came back by 9 PM
I bought a broom for School pd	I Bought a Broom 2 shillings of Cose Blauvelt for the School paid

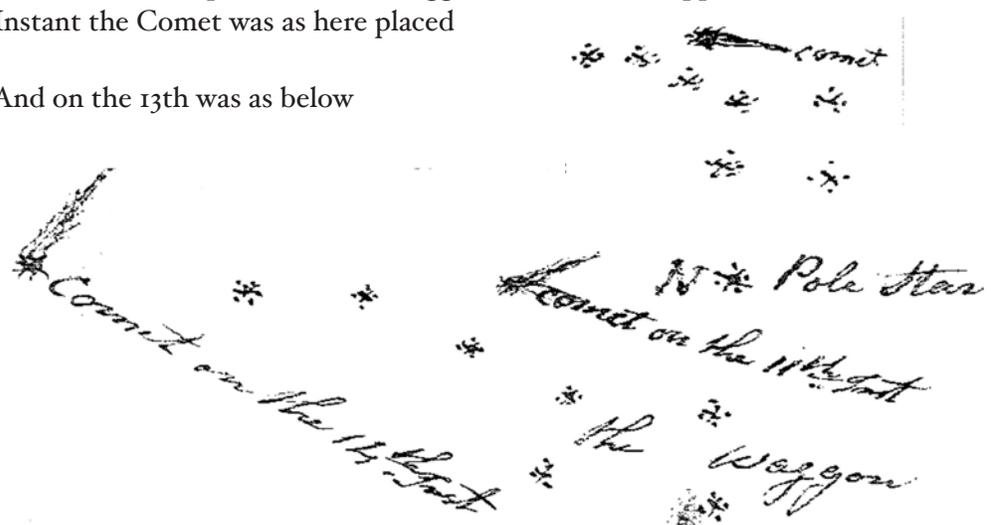
1835	Momento
Octo 2 Got wafers paid &c	I Bought at Benjamin Blacklidges a box of Wafers 6 pence and Crackers 3 pence And 6 pence spent self and John Whites son paid, Came home
3	Cloudy not cold this Morning, nice Day
John White head Worked 3	John White Head 1 Day yesterday and a half Day to Day digging potatoes
Ja Ges bot Sheep 3	Jacob Gesner bot 9 Sheep out of Drove at Tappan, brought them home
Herbert Oxen 3	Herbert Oxen 2 Days this past week in Mountain
4	Cloudy this Morning and all Day
A Chase After Ja Ges Sheep 4	had this Morning a miserable chase to get Jacob Gesners 9 Sheep in pen
Pr. Meetg. Jon Law 4	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences 10 AM. I and Jacob Gesner, Mistress Cooper, Wheeler and Wife and Brother Clark and family is all present. Jon Lawrence is at New York. Gracy and Jacob Gesners Wife not very Well

1835	Momento
Octo 5	Overcast this Morning and all Day, not cold, appears for a Storm
Ja Ges to 5 N York 1 Bar Apples & 1 Basket for me & his Sheep	Jacob Gesner to New York, took for Gracy 1 Barrel and one Basket of fall pippins, he killed 6 of his Sheep and took them down
Herbt. 5 gathered fall pippins	George Gesner and Charles Gathered shook fall pippins over Gulley. Gracy said they took half, and the other half they took home.
Woodruff 5 at upper Landg. to Night	Brother Woodruff preached upper Landing to Night. I Stay'd, Short but truly a Good Discourse from Revelations 3 Chapter and 5 Verse, "He that overcometh" &c. The Weather appeared foul, there was but About 13 or 14, there was only 3 Women I think Eley, Hannah C. and the Daughter of Derick Acker, the Rest Men, May God cause a Revival Among the Dry bones and lukewarm. Woodruff seemed to feel all he said &c much in the spirit &c. Sprinkled a little Rain when Meeting went out very little I came home
Rain 6	Rain last Night and Rains hard this Morning till After nine, not cold, ceasing altogether Raining About 12. Cloudy all Afternoon and at Night
I went 6 up to School Rained hard	I went up to school Rained hard. I had Bennet Chambers Umbrella

1835	Momento
<p>Octo 6 Woodruff Pd. at Jon Law old side 4 Day Meetg.</p>	<p>Brother Woodruff Preached at Jon Lawrences to Night from the same text as last Night, 3 Chapter and 5 Verse of the Revelations, an excellent Sermon, perhaps more Affecting and Solemnizing than last Night, to only a few Myself, Gracy, Mistress Cooper, Old Cooper, George Lawrence, Lucy, Henry and Peggy and family Jon Lawrence at New York Wheeler nor Wife there. Jacob Gesner and wife not there, Betsy not well Woodruff held Class After Sermon, Henry Concklin Started and Peggy fled instantly, this cut a fine figure — The rest all stay'd in. The Old Side has their 4 Day Meeting commencing Sunday</p>
<p>For Herbt 6 to Peggy Mann Mortgage</p>	<p>I wrote Bond and Mortgage from Herbert to Peggy Mann Dated the 5 Instant, I wrote it Saturday Night and Sunday Night and Monday morning for 200 Dollars, he Mortgaged his 2 small lots his 2 Mountain lots and his Ash Swamp lot</p>
<p>Obb Oxen 6 Again</p>	<p>Obb had Oxen Yesterday to draw in a Couple loads potatoes from his Orchard. Also to Carry empty Barrels to Snedens for Coal &c</p>
<p>Old Wife 6 Outwater buried</p>	<p>Mistress Outwater Buried Yesterday, Aged about 92 Years</p>

1835	Momento
Octo 7	Cloudy this Morning and all Day, more cool towards Night
Nails at Houses pd	Bot at Houses 1/2 lb Nails 4 pence paid
Woodruff 7 Pd. at Slote	Woodruff Preached at Slote School House to Night to 16 persons, mostly Women, from the Words "Remember Lots Wife" The Awful consequences of disobedience to God, and of the Attachments to the World and transitory Things, the value of the Soul and Attested to the last, was painted out in Striking Colours. A Solemn Discourse &c Held Class, All were invited to tarry and all did but one Lucy came Alone down. I there from School. I came Home
frost 8	Clear and a Heavy frost this Morning, Ground White
John 8 Whitehead 1/ Day & Charles Ges	John White Head 1 Day fixing cellar aside and cutting up Corn &c. Charles Gesner helped part of Day
	9 Clear and a heavy White frost this Morning, Nice Day cool and Clear
Wrote 9 Deed George Mann to John Willse	Finished a Deed from George Mann and his Wife to John Willse for house and lot on the hill a little SW of Rockland School House

1835	Momento
<p>Octo 9 Ja Ges to NY took Rye Meal back</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner to New York, took back the Barrel of Rye Meal he bought a few Days Ago, it being very bad Meal &c He took a Barrel of Apples for Me</p>
<p>10</p>	<p>Clear with White frost this Morning, Nice Day Cool Weather</p>
<p>Ja Ges Bk 10 got other Meal</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner back, brought Another Barrel of Rye flour, Got this Morning for the bad flour he took back, the Man had no good Rye Meal then —</p>
<p>I was 10 Sworn on Census &c Sabbath 11</p>	<p>I Went this Afternoon to Esquire Adolphus Mabies and was Sworn to the taking of the Census, as the Law Required</p> <p>Clear, Cold this Morning moderate Day</p>
<p>Pr. Mg. 11 Jon Law</p>	<p>Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences this Morning. Isaac Wheeler, Rachel Gravestine and daughter, Jacob Gesner and Wife, Mistress Cooper, Lucy Blauvelt, I and Gracy with the family were all; Henry Concklin and Wife not there. Jacob Gesner Spoke well and Wheeler</p>
<p>Margt Smith 11 a Young Daughter</p>	<p>Margaret Smith has a Young daughter I have understood 8 or 9 Days old</p>
<p>Mon 12 frost cold</p>	<p>Heavy frost and cold this Morning but a handsome day</p>

1835	Momento
Octo 12	This Morning Cold and a heavy frost but a Very Nice Day before entered
I went to 12 New City delivered the Census I had taken	This Morning with My horse mare and George Lawrences Waggon I Started before Day at 5 to the New City to Abraham Hogencamp and Delivered to him According to Law, the printed form back for taking Census, filled as Complete as I could get it from the best information I could get
Perhaps 12 Obb the Oxen	I expect that Obb has had the Oxen for small Jobs once or twice not entered; by Conversation of family
Herbt. 12 Oxen	Herbert Oxen to Day ploughing David Blauvelts
	13 Overcast this Morning. Clear Most all Day, nice Weather
A Comet 13 seen The Waggon and Comet &c	A Comet near the great Bear passing from the pole, been seen a few Days, he moves very Swiftly. NB The Great Bear is Generally called the Waggon passing Round the Northpole Star. The Waggon or Great Bear appears thus on the 11th Instant the Comet was as here placed
	<p>And on the 13th was as below</p>  <p>The diagrams illustrate the positions of Halley's Comet and the North Pole Star (the Waggon) on October 11th and 13th, 1835. The top diagram shows the comet's position on the 11th, with a handwritten label 'Comet' and an arrow pointing to a star. The bottom diagram shows the comet's position on the 13th, with a handwritten label 'Comet on the 13th Inst' and an arrow pointing to a star. The North Pole Star is labeled 'Pole Star' and 'the Waggon'.</p>

NOTE: This was Halley's Comet, which returns every 75 or 76 years. It was first recorded in China in 240 BC and was most recently seen in 1986. It will return on July 28, 2061. October 13, 1835, was one of its closest appearances to earth and viewing must have been spectacular.

1835	Momento
Octo 14	Hazy or Rather Smoaky this Morning, not cold, Nice Clear Day a little after
At Cose 14 Blauvelt 4 lb Cheese unpd	Bot James Blauvelt 4 lb Cheese at 10 pence per lb = 3 shillings 4 pence not paid, Got of his Wife
Woolen 14 Yarn from the Carding Mill unpaid	This Day Gracy fetched from Carding mill 15 lb Woolen Yarn there Spun
14	Catharine Van Houten here to Day stay'd Night
Obb Oxen 14 Yesterday 3/4 he fixed New board in Yoke	Obb Oxen perhaps 3/4 Day corn &c, he fixed one of the New bows in, George Mann took one out of Yoke, which Herbert had put in: Yesterday Obb had Oxen and put the bow in. This bow was Made Herbert bought 2 &c
15	Foggy this Morning, About 12 Clears away, at Night grows foggy Again, not cold, very dark
Herb Oxen 15 yesterday & to Day	Herbert Oxen to Day ploughing again at David Blauvelts and Yesterday too
Herbt. 15 Commenced Grocery Again got Money of Peggy Mann	Herbert took up 200 of Peggy Mann on Monday the 12, on Mortgage I wrote And Went Down to New York himself and his Wife Mary Ann, bought Groceries &c and commenced his Shop Again

1835	Momento
October 15 Ja Gesner Went to help Sell Geo Manns Ox, fat ox	Jacob Gesner out to help Sell one of George Manns Oxen at 6 pence and 5 pence per lb for this Ox, just the Meat Fetched 36 Dollars, the hide fetched 4 Dollars and some cents, what the tallow fetched I know not, perhaps not yet sold or tryed out Ox was very good
Beef of 15 Geo Mann paid	Gracy Got beef of George Mann 9 lb paid past afterwards Gracy paid the rest in full
Friday 16	Overcast this Morning not cold, sun comes through about 10 AM
Doctor 16 Hopson to see Gracy &c	Doctor Hopson came to see Gracy, she has a longtime complained of Great distress at the Stomach, she thinks it is Worms, an empty Stomach she feels very bad, Weak faint, sickness at the Stomach; perceives a Crawling up in her throat &c. He thinks it may be Worms &c
Herbt. 16 Oxen all Day	Herbert Oxen ploughing at David Blauvelts, fetching Stalks home on Waggon all Day
Comet 16 course south ward from the Waggon at the hour of 8 PM long tail opposite of Sun	The Comet flies immensely Swift, on the 11th Instant it was just above the Star in the Great Bear as in the preceding figure, to Night about on hour After Day light off, or at the hour of eight, he makes an Angle of about 50 Degrees from Said Star; but at this hour rather increases in Elevation

NOTE: Alice Haagensen, after consulting her physician husband, believed that Gracy's complaints might be due to a hiatal hernia. Nicholas seems to believe it is worms, and actually writes later that he saw one come out of her mouth.

1835	Momento
<p>Octo 16 School district Notice put up of District No 3, Nyack Sat 17</p>	<p>A Notice written, handed to Me to day, put up on the School House door, District No 3 where I teach for a Meeting on the 20th Instant at 7 in the evening of the freeholders and Inhabitants &c</p> <p>Cloudy this Morning not cold, overcast all Day drissles at Night</p>
<p>Gracy 17 Poorly</p>	<p>Gracy bad last Night About 12 o'clock, she said she thought she could not live till Morning, thinks that she is devoured With Stomach Worms; she seemed quite poorly for About one Hour: Jacob Gesner and Wife got up. She took the Doctors Medicine a little Better this Morning</p>
<p>Sally to 17 NY back with JL Sabbath 18</p>	<p>Sally went to New York last Monday the 12th, expect her back this Afternoon came back this Afternoon Jon Lawrence came also; he works at New York</p> <p>Still overcast with a Misty fog this Morning, seems to break partly away in Afternoon, clouds Moving from the Southward</p>
<p>Prayer Mg. 18 at Jon Law</p>	<p>Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning 10 or 11 o'clock a Good little Meeting. Jon Lawrence seemed much Affected, spoke very tenderly and an excellent Prayer; Jacob Gesner and Isaac Wheeler good prayers Our Small meeting was Composed of only Wheeler, Mistress Cooper, Wynechy Cooper Coses wife Jacob Gesner, Lucy Blauvelt, and Jonathans family Gracy sick not there. Henry nor Peggy there nor Jacob Gesners wife.</p>

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Momento

Octo 18

The Comet was noted on the 12th Instant to be Above the Star in the Great Bear or Waggon called Alioth, about as much above that Star as the stars are distant one from the other in the great Bear About 7 in the evening and now on the 18th, About the Same time in the evening, his elevation or Altitude from the Western horizon is greater than on the 12th. Still increasing his Altitude, and going on Southward has increased his Angle of elongation from the Star Alioth about 90 Degrees



This Comet has a Very long tail in opposition to the Sun

1835	Momento
Octo 19 foggy Dull Weather	A Misty Sky this Morning, the Scud from S by E, very Dull Weather. Warm, from friday last foggy dull overcast Weather; last evening a while it was Clear, look dull most all Day and in Evening
Wheeler & 19 son picked Apples all Day Woodruff 19 Down to Preach upper Lg.	Wheeler and Aaron picked the Apples up at Henry Concklins off the trees. Domina Apples all Day to have what was Reasonable &c Brother Woodruff Down Afternoon, is to Preach at upper Landing to Night. I came home from School, Gracy being Sick or I should have Stayed he did preach to about 12 or 15 Ive understood
Ja Ges 19 to NY &c	Jacob Gesner to New York with 4 Sheep bought, Was out with Herberts Waggon and My Mare Saturday 17th And bought them
At Herbts. 19 Sugar Made Sweet Meats	Gracy Got 10 1/2 lb Sugar at Herberts, 9 shillings yet unpaid, she made 9 lb Quinces got of George Lawrence to which put 7 lb Sugar too little sugar
20	Still foggy and dull, warm this Morning, all Day a Smoaky and foggy Sky, Wind Southerly
Wheat flour 20 3 1/2 lb at Herbts. paid Woodruff at Jon Law to Night	Gave Gracy 1 shilling to get Wheat flour 3 1/2 lb, paid Woodruff Preached at Jon Lawrences to Night, Aaron there, Jacob Gesner and Wife, Peggy Concklin, George Lawrence, Mr. Chambers and a couple more and family Gracy not well, Wheeler not there too tired Aaron said 2nd Corinthians 9 and 20, good Sermon

1835	Momento
Octo 20	To Night a School Meeting at upper Landing School House District No 3
21 Dull Weather continues warm	Still Foggy this Morning. Almost or quite all Week, excepting one or 2 Days of last week, it broke Away About 9 or 10. It appears to be a fine Mist and Smoak, thinner at Night than in the Day. Warm all Day overcast
Gracy 21 very ill	Gracy very ill this morning with her stomach, judges it to be Worms, she is very weak
Doctor 21 to see Gracy	Doctor Hopson to see her this Morning, left some more Medicine, this his 2nd visit to her
Recd. for 21 schooling Edmund Smith	I Received for Edmund Smiths schooling 1st Quarter 10 shillings 6 pence, the 19 cents to each scholar I Received of John Briggs &c
Brother 21 Woodruff at Slote	Brother Woodruff went Away from My house About 10 or 11 AM Preached to Night at Slote School House, Ely at Sally's, she and Mary Went down. I came home, did not stay after School &c
Thurs. 22 Foggy & Smoaky Continues	Still foggy with a Smoaky look this Morning, About 11 Clears Away, Warm and Nice. About half after 8 in the evening, at once grew very foggy And Dark; this Smoaky Misty and foggy weather has lasted More than 8 or 9 Days

1835	Momento
<p>Octo 22 Boards at Cose Blauvelts</p>	<p>Bought of Cose Blauvelt 14 very indifferent inch boards at 14 cents a piece, very poor and dear, comes to 1 Dollar and 96 cents Unpaid</p>
<p>Ja Ges 22 Mare & got Sheep again</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner the Mare and Herberts Waggon out to Scaurclaw at Waldrons, got 3 Sheep to kill for Market</p>
<p>Edmund 22</p>	<p>I Received 10 shillings 6 pence for Edmund Smith, 19 cents school fund and before</p>
<p>Friday 23</p>	<p>Foggy and smoaky again this Morning, appears for a storm, About 12 seems to break away, but by 4 thick overcast Again at Night foggy and very Dark</p>
<p>23 I made Blank Day, this the 2nd</p>	<p>To Day I made the 2nd Blank Day in this Quarter School, intended to thresh my buckwheat, poor Weather; in the Morning I Picked Apples; Afternoon went and laid a floor of Buckwheat on, let it lay and turned the Rest, threshed none, very damp under &c</p>
<p>Ja Ges 23 to NY sheep</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner killed his 3 Sheep they were very fat, Went to NY</p>
<p>At John 23 Briggs 1 lb tea 4 sh 6 p &c</p>	<p>Yesterday I got 1 lb tea of John Briggs on Schooling, now I've had 2 Dollars &c, 1 shilling I owed on tea before and this 1 lb at 4 shillings 6 pence, Makes 16 shillings 1 pence + 4 shillings 6 pence = 21 shillings 6 pence I've had, all Square since</p>
<p>Abe Haring 23 beef paid</p>	<p>of Abraham Haring to Day 5 1/2 beef at 5 shillings paid</p>

1835	Momento
Octo 24 Smoke, fog gone	Smoak Mist and fog is driven off by wind from N by W. Cloudy Weather, watery appearing sky, About 8 AM it Rained a little. Clear About 11 AM
Apples to 24 cider Mill	Before light it was night took Waggon box full of Apples to Peter Rikers Mill, this is the first this year
Picked 24 Pippins Threshed Buckwht. aft.	Picked Winter pippins this forenoon and I and Alfred Miles threshed Buckwheat this afternoon, Altho' About 8 AM it Rained a little, yet the Buckwheat threshed very good
Ja Ges bk 24	Jacob Gesner back from New York
Sabbath 24	Frost this Morning, clear and cold, Afternoon a Moderate Sky and pleasant
Pr. Mg. 25 Jon Law	Prayer Meeting at John Lawrences 10 o'clock AM, Wheeler and Wife, Jacob Gesner and Wife, Rachel Gravestine and Girl, Sarah Ann Moison with the family composed the Meeting but Peggy and Henry not there nor Lucy
Ja Ges 25 & Isaac Sturr	Yesterday in Jacob Gesners coming up on board the Orange had use Overhale with Isaac Sturr who was on board in full Company
1835	Momento
Octo 25	
Gracy better 25 Doct Hopsons 3rd visit &c	Gracy is considerably better, Doctor Hopson was to see her friday 23rd Instant Which is his 3rd Visit, did Nothing for her
Betsy 25 Scudder taking care &c	Betsy Scudder here a Whole Week, or a little better taking care of Gracy and doing up the Work &c
a very 26 heavy frost	A white frost and cold this morning, About 10 AM till Night handsome; but in afternoon About 4 it grew Cloudy, clear at Night
I & Jac Ges 26 killed two Sheep for me to N York Betsy along	This morning Jacob Gesner helped me kill a Buck lamb and the ewe I got of Jacob Post in exchange for a black one. John Willse took for his wife one fore quarter, I kept the other of the old sheep. Jacob took the rest with Skins to New York. Betsy went down with him
Threshed 26 Buckwheat	I threshed Buckwheat this Afternoon, had Alfred, William Lawrence came After 2 and Yellow Suke to help, threshed 6 floors
Blank 26 this week	I sent word I could not come to school this week, wrote 2 letters, 1 to John Briggs and 1 to Clark Trustees

1835	Momento
Octo 27	Cloudy till about 10 o'clock AM, then cleared off a very nice and warm Day
Threshed 27 the last of Buckwht.	Threshed the last of My Buckwheat this Afternoon, there has been 14 floorings 4 last Saturday, 6 yesterday And 4 to Day. William Lawrence and Alfred helped to day, I made up the floor.
Cut apples 27 who helped	Had a lift cutting Apples to Day; Mary Lawrence, William Lawrence George Gesner Wheeler Letty Post Catharine Willse Betsy Scudder Hannah Cooper, Betty Beasley, and Sarah Ann Moison, helped and cut and peeled a Nice parcel
Ja G. & 27 wife Bk Abba Gwefes here	Jacob Gesner and Betsy back from New York Abba Gwefes here, I expect came up this Afternoon
Gracy 27 very ill &c	Gracy very ill with her Stomach and throat supposed to be some Singular Worm after done cutting Apples last Spring and Winter ill often with a similar complaint
28	A little foggy, soon clear this Morning and a very nice warm Day, clear as a Bell wind Southerly or SW
I went to 28 Esq. Adolphus Mabie Was qualified	I went to Esquire Adolphus L. Mabie this Morning and at George Lawrences Request, was qualified that I drew a Deed from Jacob Concklin and Wife to George Lawrence before he died ie before Jacob Concklin Died Stephenson wrote George Lawrence a letter; The intention seemed to be to procure a Right from George Lawrence still to have the Lot, the Deed was not executed

1835	Momento
Octo 28	Gracy better to Day
Cleaned 28 Buckwht. This Aftn.	I cleaned up My Buckwheat this Afternoon, William Lawrence and Alfred helped, brought home 14 Bushels with Oxen and sled from below, left the Rest being Night
29	a Little foggy this morning, soon clear as a Bell, very warm all Day and clear, wind About SW
Brought rest 29 of buckwht. home &c	I Brought the rest of my Buckwheat home this Afternoon, went twice once 14 Bushels And once About 11 Bushels making in all 39
Doct Hop 29 sons 4th visit	Doctor Hopsons 4th visit to see Gracy, came this Morning
Taylors 29 son John Died, buried	Moses Taylors son John Died Yesterday it is said with the Typhus fever and buried to Day, this Afternoon. Malason Preached the funeral Sermon
Wheeler 29 & Son Dug &c	Wheeler and Aaron dug potatoes 1/2 Day yesterday each and 1 Day each to Day, and each 1 Day previous picking apples
Friday 30 Rained hard	Very foggy this Morning, still and warm, drissely and rains a little all the forenoon, and rains very hard by turns all the Afternoon till dusk, the wind

1835	Momento
<p>Octo 30 Rain the first in long time &c</p>	<p>The Wind from the SE, this is the first Rain of Any consequence in Many Weeks; the ground was very Dry</p>
<p>Wheeler 30 & Son not Reckoned</p>	<p>Wheeler and son here to dig potatoes early; but did but little on Account of Mist and Rain, perhaps an hour, Wheeler went with me below to help the Wind Mill on the Sled and came home; that is the Most was done to be Accounted</p>
<p>Bennet 30 Chambers quit school he is very tall &c</p>	<p>Bennet Chambers quit the school the 27th Instant afternoon after School, his quarter lacked a Day or 2 of being finished &c. Bennet Chambers is a Young Man very tall and of good Morals, 6 feet 4 Inches nearly in length, was liked much as a teacher</p>
<p>31</p>	<p>Clear and Cool. The weather is changed. Wind NW, still a very Nice Day</p>
<p>Ja Gesner 31 had the Bed room on Kitch en Garret &c</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner had the Bed room up the Kitchen Garret plaistered to Day by David and John Parsels, gave them together 12 shillings, Jacob Gesner had the lath the greater part put on himself</p>
<p>31 I told</p>	<p>I had told Charles Haring the Clerk of School District No 3 where I taught school, if they could suit themselves with Another teacher it would suit me; this I told him About</p>

1835	Momento
<p>Octo 31 Charles Haring &c John Briggs let me know they would get another teacher Husked 31 corn for J Post Nov. 1 1 Pr. Mg. Jon Law who there &c who not there &c</p>	<p>2 Weeks Ago; it was imposible to hire Any one Almost to do My Work &c, this was told in the school house after School out in Afternoon and to Day John Briggs trustee came and told me that they had agreed to Get Another teacher as I could not Attend Steady I had been home to Work the Whole past week. I Answered him I was well Suited &c I and Alfred helped Jake Post husk corn to Night Clear and cold, Wind NW this Morning, still a Nice Day Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning. Myself, Jacob Gesner, Brother Clark, Mistress Cooper and Lucy all that was there Jon Lawrence at New York. Mary Lawrence went down to NY last friday with Abba Gwefes not back Wheeler and Wife up Yesterday to See her Father &c, Margaret has a Young Child some time ago, not able to come yet Henry Concklin and Wife entirely keep Away from our Prayer Meetings, and at Preaching Meetings: flee abruptly from Class when Mentioned</p>
1835	Momento
<p>Nov. 1 Old Cooper cut up church timber &c 2 At Herbts 2 flour paid Corn. Dore. 2 beef paid Aaron 2 picked apples Election 2</p>	<p>To Day Sabbath I was told that old Cooper had cut all the Church timber that lay below David Manns up into fire Wood and Split it — I went to look and found it true; the Lying Scoundrel under pretence that I had given it to him Overcast partly this Morning, Raw cold All Day Overcast and cold; Wind light but NE At Herberts this Morning 14 lb Rye Meal 3 shillings 6 pence And 14 lb Wheat flour 4 shillings = 7 shillings 6 pence more 3 Sugar, things made in all 7 shillings 9 pence Paid Cornelius Doremus beef 9 lb 4 shillings 3 pence, Paid in front of house Aaron Wheeler Picked apples to Day, came early, Isaac Wheeler not here Election to Day for Member of Assembly Senator &c Held at John Briggs</p>

1835	Momento
Nov. 3	Cloudy this Morning early, soon clears away and is a very warm and handsome Day, wind light from SW
Wheeler 3 & Aaron I & Wheeler to Election	Wheeler and Aaron Dug potatoes, Aaron all Day, Wheeler till between 2 and 3 PM. Wheeler went with me to the Election at Tappan Started between 2 and 3.
Tues. 3 Woodruff up from NY	Brother Woodruff up from New York this Afternoon, He left his horse with me. I think last Wednesday has been here One Week in My Stable
3 Woodruff Pd. at JL to Night number present at Sermon who left Class Meeting	Woodruff Preached at Jon Lawrences to Night, from 1 Corinthians 15 Chapter and 58 Verse "Therefore My beloved brothers" &c he spoke exceeding well, was in the enjoyment of his Subject, Strongly exhorting to Stead fastness &c. The Whole Number did not quite Make 20 unless a Small Girl or 2 should be Reckoned, Jacob Gesner and wife, myself, Isaac Wheeler, Peggy and Henry, Margaret with her Young child, Rachel Gravestine, Caty Mann old side, Nauty Cooper old side, Mistress Cooper, George Lawrence, 2 Women I don't know their Name and family is all. Jon Lawrence at New York NB I think Aaron was there also. Class Meeting held after Sermon; Mistress Cooper, Henry Concklin and Peggy and others Went off. Margaret and family Stay'd in Class — Wheeler Spoke after Woodruff and Prayed both exceeding Well &c
Mary 3 Law. Back	Mary Lawrence Went down to New York last friday and up to Day

1835	Momento
Nov. 4	Clear with some Clouds this Morning a very Warm Day
Woodruff 4 came here went Away with horse	Brother Woodruff came from Jon Lawrences where he Stay'd last Night about 10 AM, took his horse Which had been With Me and Stabled from the 27th of October last Week he Went Away to Preach at Slote; Went About 2 o'clock PM
Cut 4 apples the 2nd time	Cut Apples the second evening, about 15 who cut and peeled, is Betsy Beasley, Phebe Ann, Nauty Cooper, Wheeler and Aaron, Sally, Mary, Sarah, William Lawrence little Cornelia came along Old Ginny, Betsy Scudder, Jacob Gesner, Wife, Gracy, Myself, Alfred And did peel and cut a great Many
Lease I 4 Drew Joshua Martin	I Wrote a lease for Joshua Martin Dated 2nd Instant from him to Simon Atkins and Henry Lent, a Stone Quarry lot under Closter Mountain he paid me 3 shillings to Night
Thursd 5	Clear and Moderate, but soon in the Morning grew Cloudy, towards Night Sprinkles with Rain
Charles 5 Gesner fetched Rye &c pd	Charles Gesner fetched 2 Bushels Rye from Tunis Harings Tappan , paid 30 Shillings in full. Charles went for me; but William Lawrence Worked for Herbert in Charles's Room for me

1835	Momento
Nov. 5	Sally and Lucy here this Afternoon
Sally & Lucy	
John 5	John Whitehead Dug potatoes for Jacob Gesner in My patch for the eighth Bushel to Day
Whitehead	
for Ja Ges	
H Concklin 5	Henry Concklin Moved in the School House Yesterday
Moved in	
School House	
5	Judge Cornelius Blauvelt Yesterday At Henry Concklins Acknowledged a Deed
Corn. Blauv.	from Richard Van Wickle and wife Phebe to Henry Concklin 1/4 of an Acre
Acknowledged	joining George Mann on the East, My land Nicholas Gesner on the North, Van
2 Deeds	Wickles West and South for 25
one for Hen. C.	Also one for John G. Concklin for a Small lot Salt Meadow a few Years Ago,
one for John	from Jacob Concklin and Elmira his Supposed Wife she having a living Husband
G. Concklin	beside Wife to J. G. Concklin
Friday 6	Looks somewhat Rainy this Morning, Rains Some towards Night, Wind lightly from NE
Whitehead 6	Jacob Gesner had John Whitehead Again all Day Digging potatoes, dug a Very
for Ja Ges	large piece: did not stop for the Rain, he dug for Jacob Gesner. My potatoes for
	the 1/8 part
Corn &c 6	I Brought in a little Corn in the forenoon

1835	Momento
Nov. 6 Obb Oxen Buckwheat Straw no charge	Obb the Oxen, he and Jacob Gesner for Buckwheat Straw, for to put round his Coal kill And Jacob Gesner for on his Hog pen, of My Straw, no charge
Sat 7 Rain	Overcast, a little Rainy this Morning, quite some Rain last Night, Wind NE not high all Day overcast, looks very like for More Rain, about 9 PM it breaks Away, clouds from the Westward
7 Took down the Partition of Mine in Old House	To Day I took down my partition in Old House, Joe Dubois having bought the Old homestead of Nicholas Concklin formerly belonging to Father Gesner, has last week pulled down the Kitchen. John Whitehead a Coloured Man living in the Room is about to move out and Wished me to take it away before he moved, that if any thing should be Missing After he was gone it might not be Attached to him
Joe Dubois 7 Building &c	Joe Dubois the last 2 Weeks has erected a Small building with a Center near the head of the old Lane, New Lords new laws
Vendue 7 at Greenbush Ja Ges went	Jacob Gesner with My Mare to Vendue at Greenbush a little on this Side of John G. Blauvelt, where Jacob Blauvelt Deceased The Father of Domine Blauvelt did live; Jacob Gesner bought a fire Board —
Sabbath 8	Still Cloudy and appears Rainy, last Night it was Partly Clear see the 7th

1835	Momento	
Nov. 8 Pr. Meetg. at Jon Law	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning, looks rainy, none there but Wheeler, Rachel Gravestine and Girl, Jacob Gesner, Myself, Mistress Cooper and family Jon Lawrence at New York	
8 John Hagen Drowned 9 Days ago found today &c	To Day John Hagen son of Stephen Hagen and Mary Hagen Was found; he was Drowned About 9 or 10 Days Ago. John Bell called Trowsey and John Hagen having been it is said over the River and at Closter Dock with a Small Yawl boat, expect they were in liquor, started to go down a little distance to the sloop Vessel in the first of the Night, John Bells Account of the Accident seems to be this, having a Mast up John Hagen caught hold of the Mast as with a Stagger upset the boat when a little Distance from Shore; John Bell crawled on the Bottom but John Hagen was not seen nor heard of till to Day Bell says he was an hour and a half on the Bottom calling for help before he got relief was near perished it is said	
Mond 9 Rain	Rainy this Morning, Rained last Night, at 12 mid day Mostly stops, Rain is but little to Day Clear at Night, wind Westward, not cold	
Accounts 9 Arranged with Wheeler paid on see Bill &c paid in full	<p style="text-align: right;">sh. pence</p> Isaac Wheeler's whole Work is 3 1/4 Days at 4 shillings = 0.. 13.. 0 Aaron's Do 4 3/4 3 = 0.. 14.. 3 Ackerman 4 shillings for repairing my Watch gave Aaron <u>0.. 4.. 0</u> Their Whole Due 1.. 11.. 3 November 9th paid Isaac Wheeler Cash <u>0.. 16.. 0</u> yet Due him 0.. 15.. 3 since paid in full	

1835	Momento
Nov. 9 Wrote letter to Wm. F. Harris	I Wrote letter and Sealed it to Day to William Francis Harris at Geneva Ontario County New York, a Student there &c
10	Clear and cool this Morning and all Day Cloudy at Night. Thick overcast at 10 PM
John 10 Whitehead digging	John Whitehead all Day digging potatoes for me, Dug about 32 Bushels. I, William Lawrence and Alfred picked them up And brought them in
Wm. Law 10	William Lawrence ploughed along Spring Road and helped pick up potatoes 3/4 Day
Gracy 10 Still poorly by turns	Gracy continues bad with her Stomach and up in her throat by turns, likely some kind of Worms &c
at Herbts 10 1 lb candles & 3 1/2 lb sugar unpaid 3 sh 2 p	At Herberts last night 1 lb Candles, paid 1 shilling and there was 2 pence lacking, Also 3 1/2 lb Sugar 3 shillings unpaid; so there is unpaid 3 shillings 2 pence
11 Rain	Rain before Day this Morning, Wind SE, Rains hard most all the forenoon, with high Wind; clears about 3 PM with very high wind and cold from NW by W
Cut apples 11 will Spoil &c wind the Dry	Our Cut Apples are almost Spoiled; excepting Yesterday almost all the time overcast and rain since they were cut on the night of the 4th Instant. This afternoon about 3 gets clear and high wind, the cut apples dry very fast

1835	Memento
Nov 12 Snow	Cloudy, cold, ground freezes, Wind NW this Morning, a squally some little Snow this Afternoon, towards Night the wind dies away
At Herbts 12 Wht. flour unpd. paid	At Herberts 21 lb Wheat flour 6 shillings unpaid paid the 16th which see
John 12 Whitehead 1 Day Wm. Law &c Shot at dog	John Whitehead to Day Again in potatoes, I dug. William Lawrence 3/4 Day and picked some this Afternoon with Alfred William Lawrence this afternoon went up with his gun and Shot at a black Dog after Jacob Posts sheep. The Dog Yelped he said and went from upper field toward Mat Concklins, he had short tail and cropped ears
13	Cloudy and Cold this morning. Clouds from NW, freezes; cold all Day and Cloudy sometimes a little Snow
John 13 Whitehead 1 Day Wm. Law. Potatoes all in cellar	John Whitehead here early, we dug about 25 Bushels, got them all out by 1 o'clock PM. William Lawrence 3/4, we got them of Yesterday and to Day About 62 Bushels all in
Ja Ges 13 killed for me Sheep	Killed short tail ewe and Young Buck lamb to Day, we kept the 2 fore quarters of the ewe. John Whitehead 1/2 of 1 fore quarter. Rest to New York

1835	Momento
Nov. 14	Clear and Cold this Morning. Ground hard frozen, More Moderate Midday
John Whitehead 14	John Whitehead 1/2 Day getting in Yellow Corn
At Herbts 14	At Herberts 14 lb Rye Meal 3 shillings 6 pence, unpaid
I Got for sheep 14	Received for the Buck Lamb and short tail ewe 34 shillings 9 pence besides the 2 quarters kept home. The 2 Skins fetched 9 shillings each
I paid for Suke Black &c 14	I paid Jacob Gesner for Suke Coloured Woman the 7 shillings I owed her. She is paid in full
Sabbath 15	Cloudy a little Rainy this Morning, Cloudy all Day not very cold, Clouds from SW
J. Law 15	Jon Lawrence came up from New York Yesterday.
Pr. Mg. at Jon L. good Meetg. 15	Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences this Morning, Wheeler exhorted very well: Jacob Gesner and Jon Lawrence each exceedingly well, Jon Lawrence expressed much love and exhorted to live in love and peace present Jacob Gesner and Wife, Mistress Cooper, 2 of Herbert Lawrences Girls, Margaret Smith, Rachel Gravestine, Myself, and Jon Lawrences family

1835	Momento
Nov. 15 Mist. Scudder up to N. Landg.	Mistress Scudder My Mare and George Lawrences Waggon with Alfred went up to New Landing, back in the Evening
16	Looks Rainy this Morning, overcast all Day and not cold
paid Herbt 16 for Wht flour 6 sh	I paid Herbert (ie Mary Ann) this Morning 6 shillings for the 2 lb Wheat flour had the 12th Instant
At Herbts 16 cheese paid	Had of Herbert 2 lb cheese 1 shillings 8 pence, paid
I sent 16 letter to Wm. Harris	To William F Harris Wrote a letter 9th Instant Sent this Morning to Post office, at Peter Taulmans, I sent Money to pay the postage
For Betsy 16 Scudder at New Landg.	I went to New Landing about 11 AM for Betsy Scudder to see Esquire James Demarest who was to be there to have her line ascertained adjoining George Concklin and Also James Blauvelt, home at Night &c &c
Land sold 16 at new landg. at an immense price	Land Sold and Bought at New Landing at an enormous price by Cornelius Blauvelt Judge for a Company under the view of the Railroad coming there and with the intention of having a City built &c, it is said that they have a Water Grant for more than 1 1/4 Mile out in the River

1835	Momento
Nov. 17	Cloudy all Day, not Cold, clouds from the Westward
Summons 17	A Summons served Yesterday by Widow Margaret Parsels
Woodruff 17 down Pd. at Jon L to Night	Woodruff here before 12, perhaps about 10 AM, Preached at Jon Lawrences to Night only a few, ie Wheeler and Son Aaron, Henry Concklin and Peggy, Jacob Gesner and wife, Myself, Sarah Ann Moison, Herbert Lawrence 2 Girls came up with Jonathan Lawrence last Saturday, George Lawrence and Joshua Martin with Jon Lawrence and family is all, he preached exceedingly well from Hebrews 4 and 7 Verse "There Remaineth therefore a Rest to the people of God" He stay'd at Jon Lawrences to Night: Horse with me
18	Clear somewhat cold, but soon this Morning gets to be Overcast; but less cold at 8 AM Clear at Night
Woodruff 18 here	Woodruff here about 10 AM from Jon Lawrences, ate Dinner Went Away with horse near 2 PM to Brother Clarks, so said
Woodruff 18 Pd. Slote Jon Law &c	Preached At Slote to Night to a few, I and Jon Lawrence from Rockland, Ely, Sara Ann Moison, one More Woman, Brother Clark, John Wandle, Old Cornelius Mabie, Casparis Mabies son I think was all besides Brother Woodruff, he preached an excellent Sermon from Epistles 1st and 9th Verses, Jon Lawrence closed Meeting with an excellent discourse and prayer

1835	Momento
Nov. 18 Charles Ges helped I sowed Rye	Charles Gesner and Herberts Horse helped me Plough Yesterday and to Day and Harrowing, I sowed in front of Barn About 3 Bushels Rye to Day
Thurs 19	Clear with Clouds this Morning not cold, Afternoon overcast with a little Drissling, thick overcast at 9 at Night
Jac Ges 19 killed his fat hogs	Jacob Gesner killed his hogs, the one Weighed near 140 lb the other 71 lb; the heaviest was a very thick, short deep fat little Hog Cut them up, and Salted the 20th.
Shod sled 19	I Shod my Sled
Rubber 19 shoes changed	Gracy got her India Rubber shoes changed by Isaac Wheeler for her at New York
Bought 19 Glass lanthorn	I paid a Waggon Pedlar for Glass lanthorn 3 shillings 6 pence and 6 pence for Gimblet pattent; Yesterday and to a Tin Box pedlar 2 cents for shaving soap, Makes 4 shillings 2 pence
19 Controversy Ja Ges Wheeler Self with Jon Law	Jon Lawrence, Wheeler and son, George Lawrence at My house to Night, there was a Strong Argument between Jacob Gesner, Wheeler and sometimes Myself with Jon Lawrence Respecting what we ought to believe of the written word called the Scriptures &c &c

1835	Momento
Nov. 20	Foggy this Morning not cold, no Wind, overcast all Day, misty and sometimes little Rain very thick fog at Night
Witsel 20 our M. Pt. President &c did not come &c was here the day before yesterday	Thomas K Witsel came up from New York the next preceding Wednesday the 18th Instant stopped at My house About 3 PM with Waggon, fed his horse and Drank tea, he could not tarry, his business urged him up to Haverstraw; but promised if nothing material prevented he would be down And preach for us this evening; the Weather being unfavorable he did not Come
Geo Smith 20 Moved	George Smith Methodist Protestant Quarterly Conference Steward at Haverstraw, Moved a Week ago to the Westward in New York state
John Briggs 20 &c Moved west &c not J. M. Briggs	John Briggs high Dutcher Moved with his father inlaw who lived in James Ackers house , both their families to Day for the Westward
21	Clear and very Moderate this Morning and all Day, Cloudy in the evening
Ja Ges 21 Oxen	Jacob Gesner had Oxen all Day drawing sand for John Willse's repairing of his lately purchased House

1835	Momento
Nov. 21 Jon Law Painting	Jonathan Lawrence Stay'd home from his work at New York this whole past week painting his house at Rockland
Sale 22	Overcast about 9 AM, began to Snow, not very cold
Pr. Mg. 22 J Law	Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences, I not there nor Jacob Gesner nor his Wife. Gracy not well
23 Snow	A terrible Snow and hail Storm this Morning and last Night, Wind NE by N and Cold — quite thick, a flock of wild Geese went Southward yesterday, denoted the Storm
Stephen 23 Parsels settled with me & I with Geo Lent	Stephen Parsels settled in full with me to Day and paid me 20 shillings 6 pence (but I gave him 1 shilling off) And I paid George Lent the balance from me due to him 6 shillings 6 pence to Day all done in his Shoe Makers Shop
24	Overcast and Raw Cold, crust on the Snow this Morning and all Day, Raw Cold, not much Wind
Ja Ges 24 help'd Johnny Law. kill &c	Jacob Gesner helped Johnny Lawrence kill Hogs to Day

1835	Memento
Nov. 24 Bought 2 Almanacks	I Bought 2 Almanacks to Day of box pedlar 8 pence, a vial of peppermint and Camphire 1 shilling = 2 shillings 8 pence
Camphire &c Spinning 24 Wool	Betsy Scudder Spinning sometime here wool &c
Obb 24 Oxen	Obb Oxen went to River for coal &c, about 1 1/2 Hours
Apples 24 to Sally's	I Sent this Afternoon 1 Barrel potatoes and 1 Do ditto Domini Apples picked to Sally's
At Herbt 24 sugar paid	Last Evening at Herberts 3 1/2 Sugar 3 shillings paid
25	Clear and a handsome Day all Day, not much Wind, a hard crust on the Snow, being hail and Rain on the top; thawed some to Day, but the Ground Remains all over thick covered yet
Sent with 25 Ja Ges to NY	I sent With Jacob Gesner 2 Barrels Apples Domina And 3 Bags potatoes; and Gracy several pair fowls
Let John 25 White Hd on Acct, he Says 7 Days	Let John Whitehead have 8 Bushels potatoes and 1 Barrel Domina apples on Account, he says he Worked 7 Days in all, I Must look, he is paid in full

1835	Momento
Nov 25	Jon Lawrence with Herbert Lawrences 2 Girls to New York to Day
Jer Smith 25 & Wife &c here to Night Jer Smith oxen 1/2 D nearly	Jeremiah Smith and Margaret, with his 4 children to See us to Night Jeremiah Smith My Oxen and Sled this Afternoon draw'd firewood, Brought Margaret and children with team, I sent Alfred with oxen and Sled, took them home About half after 10 to Night; his Robert is to come back with Alfred
26	Clear and cold last Night and this Morning, More moderate the Greater part of the Day
At Herbt 26 Wht flour 2 sh paid & 4 sh unpd.	Yesterday at Herberts 7 lb Wheat flour, Alfred fetched paid 2 shillings, he said it was 2 shillings 4 pence therefore there would be 4 pence yet Due
Ja Ges 26 Bk gave me 22 sh 6 p & paid &c	Jacob Gesner back. Got 5 shillings per bag potatoes = 15 shillings and the 2 Barrels Apples 12 shillings = 27 shillings freight 4 shillings 6 pence leaves 22 shillings 6 pence he gave me; he also paid me the 2 Dollars he borrowed Yesterday to pay Elias Kent for fixing his Boots —
27	Overcast, Cold looks for Snow, hard crust on the Snow made by hail and Rain and cold on the the 23d Instant to Night begins to Snow, Wind About E by N
I Killed 27 Hogs	I Killed my 2 Hogs, one Weighed 157 and the other 151 lb, nice young pork, Jacob Gesner George Gesner and William Lawrence helped

1835	Momento
Nov. 28	Snow last Night, this Morning it quits, Clear about Midday, Moderate, in evening freezes a little, quite a snow of 4 or 5 Inches on top of the Icy crust
Obb 28 Oxen	Obb the Oxen, drew a Couple of loads of wood from the Swamp I expect 2 loads
Sally 28 buckwht.	Let Sally have 3 pecks buckwheat for fowls
I Lent 28 David Blauvt. My Book &c	This Evening I Let David Blauvelt have My Book (The Life of Whitefield) to Read. I have his Ecclesiastical History Machis to Read in return
Sabbath 29	Cold, Clear, and frosty this Morning, not much Wind, Air from the Westward, cold
Pr. Mg. 29 Jon Law.	Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences, only Jacob Gesner myself Mistress Pierce and the family
Mond 30	Very cold, the Icy Snow continues to lay, a little Hazy and cold all Day
Paid Geo 30 Ges. 3 D	I Paid to George Gesner 3 Dollars on his work, this is the first I gave him
Ja Ges 30 very bad	Jacob Gesner very bad with his side and violent Spasms, twice apparently gone quite a long time, lamentable

1835	Momento
Dec. 1 Tuesd	Very cold Hazy and cloudy all Day
Castrated 1 &c	Castrated my Shote the 25th of November last and Jacob Gesners the 27th of November 1835
Ja Ges 1 helped Johnny Law. Kill	Jacob Gesner helped Johnny Lawrence kill his Beef Yesterday Morning
Ja Ges very ill	Jacob Gesner Very poorly indeed last Night, in the first of the evening all drawn up with Spasms, even his throat, and seemingly gone, sometime before he came too, 2 or 3 times in Short succession, it has its Origin in his right Side, to Night I was at Jonathan Lawrences to Meeting — Woodruff just began to Read his first Hymn: I was sent for, Alfred came I hasted immediately home, by this time he was a little better; I found John Willse, Nauty Cooper and Peter Coopers Daughter there, Deplorable &c
indeed last Night and to Night Again	
Woodruff 1 Pd. Jon Law	Woodruff Preached at Jon Lawrences to Night About 12 or 14 all together, I did not stay see above he preached from Hebrews, his horse with Me

1835	Momento
Dec. 2 very cold	Very cold, yes, cold weather, Clear, somewhat Hazy Sky
2	Jacob Gesner some better to Day
2	Yesterday I cut up My Hogs
Woodruff 2 Pd. at Slote &c a few	Woodruff came here from Jon Lawrences About 10 AM, left his horse and Went Afternoon to Preach at Slote. He Preached perhaps to About 8 persons from the Same text as at Jon Lawrences last Night. I was not there, I had intended to Go; but Jacob Gesner having been so poorly prevented me how embarassing to a preacher in places where so little regard is discovered for their immortal Souls. Brother Woodruff seems faithful and with good intent.
Thursd 3	Clear, Sky somewhat Hazy this Morning, not quite so cold as Yesterday; towards Night has some appearance for foul Weather
Woodruff 3 here, & went	Woodruff came from Phebe Snedens to my house About 10 this Morning; took his horse and went up to Dine at Phebe Snedens &c &c to Preach to Night at Pond
at Herbts 3 paid	At Herbets 7 lb Wheat flour 2 shillings 4 pence Paid
Frid 4	Overcast this Morning and all Day, towards Night Rains a little, not cold to freeze; but Raw Cold

1835	Momento
Dec. 4 Killed my Beef who helped	Killed My Beef to Day, the Cow I bought at Walter Parsels Vendue, Middling &c Weighed, the Hide 60 lb One Hind quarter 97 and one Do 100 lb One forequarter 96 and one 95 lb. Black Pompey, Henry Concklin George Gesner Jacob Gesner helped kill and Suke, Coloured and old Ginny helped Gracy
Wrote Will 4	Finished Margaret Manns Will to Night, 5 shillings Against George Lawrence: to be charged
Sat 5	Thinly Overcast this Morning and Moderate, Grows very cold in the Afternoon, high blustering wind and Squally from the NW, very cold at sunset
Cut up 5 Beef, and Salted pork	I Cut up my beef to Day and Salted My pork
At Herbts 5 Paid	At Herberts 21 lb Rye Meal 5 shillings 3 pence 1 Bushel salt 5 shillings 6 pence 1 lb pepper 1 shillings 1 pence = 11 shillings 10 pence Paid
At Larry's 5 Salt paid	At Larry Sneden 1/2 Bushel coarse salt 2 shillings 6 pence, paid
Paid 5 Pompey	I Paid Black Pompey 2 shillings for helping Kill My Beef Yesterday
John Whd. 5 Pork	Gracy Let John Whitehead have 3 lb pork to be Arranged yet and Settled

1835	Momento
Dec. 6 Sabbath	Overcast and very cold last Night and this Morning, Wind SW with a trifle of Snow cold all Day, Sun peeps through by turns
Pr. Mg. 6 at Jon Law.	Prayer Meeting At Jonathan Lawrences this Morning Jon came home from NewYork last evening I Wheeler and Wife, Lucy and the family was all present. Jacob not well &c
JL & Sally 6 here	Jon Lawrence and Sally here just a run this Evening
Cold 7	Hazy and continues cold all Day and Night
Paid Esq 7 Mabie for Margt. Parsels 6.25 & cash	I Went over this Morning to Adolphus Mabie's Esquire And paid to him for Margaret Parsels the 6 Dollars and 25 cents I owed her for a Stove and pipe &c I bought at her Vendue. I paid cost & all 7.06 in full
New Dutch 7 Reformed Church a finishing in Grand State	I Went into the New brick Meeting House Tappan Dutch Reformed they were inside at work on the Piers, Gallery: the Ceiling overhead is finished with stile; much Grandeur is exhibited in Cornishes &c

1835	Momento
Dec. 7 JL Killed Hogs	Jon Lawrence Killed his hogs this Morning, one Weighed 200 and the other 184 lb
Tuesd 8	Cold, Middling clear all Day, hazy and cold
Salt Hay 8 &c	People Draw salt hay off Salt Meadow
took in 8 Corn	Took in the Stouts of Corn unhusked
Wed 9 Cold	Overcast looks for Snow, cold Weather a long steady cold time, Snow continues to Cover the Ground: the Roads are mostly bare; but many places Icy, clear towards Night and Cold
Salted 9 my Pork	Salted My pork to Day, ie at Night
Jon Law 9 to NY	Jon Lawrence to New York Again Yesterday, went not with the Orange
10	Clear and Cold, not severe no thawing
My 10 Birth Day	My Birth Day
At Herbt 10 Paid	At Herberts 3 1/2 lb Sugar 3 shillings Paid
Rulachies 10	Sowed up Rulachies to Night. Mary Lawrence helped till near Nine o'clock

NOTE: Later in the diary an entry reads, "Cut up big Hog to day. I and Jon Lawrence and Gracy boiled her Rulachies." I have not found the word in any dictionary, but it could refer to sausage casings made from a hog's intestines.

1835	Momento
Dec. 11 Cold a long time	Cold and clear this Morning. Wind Westward, NB from the 24th or 25th of November cold incessantly; And the snow hail and Some Rain that fell at that time still covers the Ground, with a Icy and hard crust; the Snow found no frost in the Ground when it first came —
Roads 11 very good Salt Hay &c	Roads are in excellent order for Wagons, Smooth and hard as flint. Salt Hay is fetched with much ease out of Salt Meadow, but no unshod ox or horse can go
Salted 11 Beef	Salted my Beef Yesterday Morning, ie put it in pickle
Paid 11 Wheeler in full	Paid to Isaac Wheeler's Girls sent here the balance due to him 11 shillings 3 pence in full
Recd. for 11 Services as Commis. of Com Schools	Received to Day of Marcus Hoffman Collector for Services as Comissioner of Common Schools the preceding Year 4 Dollars, out of which I paid to him My York Tax 2.82 for this Years tax
Ja Ges 11 took Peter Coopers Daughter	Jacob Gesner took Maria Cooper, daughter of Peter Cooper Deceased about 11 years of Age, niece of Jacob Gesner's Wife Betsy to live with him the 8th Instant

1835	Momento
Dec. 12 Snow Hail & Rain, bad storm wind NE by N I got 12 wet	<p>Snowed last Night or before Day this Morning, About 4 or 5 Inches Deep, continues to Snow a While this Morning; About 10 AM some hail and Rain, and Afternoon Rains pretty smartly, freezes to the trees and holds up Raining a While in the evening. Sloppy along the Road</p> <p>I out all Day cutting and drawing some firewood, very Wet.</p>
Stephen Parsels helped, pd. 1 sh Wood for 12 Sally sent	<p>Stephen Parsels helped me cut one and a half Loads. I paid him 1 shilling, he helped near an hour and a half</p> <p>I cut and sent Sally about 1/2 load wood, William Lawrence took it up about sunset</p>
Sunday 13	<p>Clear, clouds from the NW this Morning and all Day, freezes at Night. Roads being by Reason of the Above Snow, hail and Rain sloppy is likely to make Icy Roads</p>
No Pr. 13 Mg. at Jon L.	<p>No Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences to Day, the going very bad this Morning. I was the only one that went</p>
Mond 14	<p>Grows overcast this Morning, About 10 AM begins to Snow from SW, About 1 or 2 Inches, soon held up, at Night wind springs up from NW cold</p>
Mended 14 Shoe Leather Lent paid	<p>I Mended My shoes to Day, bought some scraps of upper leather and pitch of George Lent for 8 pence, paid him</p>

1835	Momento
Dec. 14	Lent Jacob Gesner 4 pence to Get butter
Sally here 14 Icy, Roads Salt Hay Drawn Tuesd 15	Sally here to Day, Ate Dinner, went home About half after 3 PM Roads nothing but a bed of Ice, people Draw their Salt Hay Clear and cold All Day, Wind NW, About 8 or 9 in the night a Squall high Wind and a little Snow from the NW, cold increases, very cold
15 Woodruff Pd. at J Law At Clarks's last Nt. Ja Ges 15 taken with warrt. Obb his security	Woodruff came down About 10 AM with horse Ate Dinner. Afternoon Went to Sally's, horse here. Held Meeting at Jon Lawrences Sally's I Gracy, Jacob Gesner and wife, Henry Concklin and Peggy, George Lawrence and family there; A Good and Animated Sermon Jacob Gesner taken With a Warrant, for Isaac Haring Collector of Vendues for &c. Obb Cooper became his security for his appearance next tuesday at Zabriskies, at Scralenburg Esquire. I was Called at Obbs Shop. Doremus the Constable took Jacob Gesner there I Promised to see the Sum paid, the Vendue Account Against Jacob Gesner with the cost was 7 and 31 cents

1835	Momento
Dec. 18 Maj Taulman buried Collected 18 some Sch. Accounts Catharine 18 Vanhouten &c	Major Peter Taulman buried to Day, invitation to the funeral at 11 AM I Went and Collected some school Accounts to Day, Nyack and New Landing Catharine Vanhouten at Sallys to Night from Steamboat over Ice, Rulef Vanhouten there also, he heard of it came down to fetch his Wife
19	Snow fell last Night About 3 Inches, not so cold, overcast all Day, Some drisling and freezing
Hen. Conck 19 & Ja Ges drew Salt Hay	Henry Concklin And Jacob Gesner Drew with My Oxen And Jacob Posts Waggon 2 loads Salt Hay Yesterday And 2 to Day, Makes 4 Loads from Major Ferdons Barrack, I had the half for cutting and gathering the Hay
I paid 19 for Ja Ges his Vendue And the cost, a suit of Isaac Haring	I Went And paid the 7.31 for Jacob Gesner to Doremus's Wife he was not home but left a Receipt fror Me for Jacob Gesner I paid said Sum being for Vendue Out Against him, with the cost of Serving a Warrant by Doremus on a Suit of Isaac Haring Collector of Vendue &c. This sum of 7.31 Was in full for the Vendue and cost Obb became his Security for his appearance &c but I paid the Money previous to the Day

1835	Momento
Dec. 19 A Tremendous Fire immense Loss	Terrible Fire in the city of New York never known before in the Richest part of the city, commenced on Wednesday evening the 16th Instant about 8 PM, it was tremendous Cold this night; nothing could prevent its Ravishes, burnt down on Wall Street, swept down All to the Slips, immense Stores destroyed, Post office Bank &c &c, Havock and Destruction. Engines were useless, the cold also preventing their use, immensely cold, fire Raged Against the wind. Casks of powder made use of to throw down the Buildings to stop its Ravages; Insurance Companies, numbers in the Country Suffered immense loss —
Sabbath 20	Drised and Misty near all Day, Makes Icy trees and limbs, Yet the Weather is upon the thaw, Roads grow Sloppy on the tops; Yet hard and Icy &c
No Pr. 20 Mg at J. L.	No Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences to Day, he came up friday. I and Jacob Gesner, Wheeler and Wife Attended; but Sat together a While in Conversation and each Went home
21	Cloudy all Day, Weather grows soft
I & Henry 21 Conck. drew Salt Hay 2 Loads, &c	I and Henry Concklin drew 2 Loads Salt Hay to Day out of George Lawrences Barrack, one for him and one for Me, I had cut his Lot for the half. Spent at Larry's 6 pence at Herberts 6 pence each paid

NOTE: The Great New York Fire was a conflagration that destroyed the New York Stock Exchange and most of the buildings on the southeast tip of Manhattan around Wall Street on December 16 17, 1835. ... The fire was fed by gale force winds blowing from the northwest towards the East River. With temperatures as low as -17 °F (-27 °C) and the East River frozen solid, firefighters had to cut holes in the ice to get water.

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1835	Momento
Dec. 21 At Herbt. paid	1/2 hundred weight Rye Meal at Herberts 7 shillings paid and 2 lb Cheese 1 shillings 8 pence paid
Tuesd 22	Cloudy in Morning, Midday sun shines, it thaws a little but near Night freezes some, pretty cold at Night
I & Hen 22 Concklin drew 3 loads Salt Hay Spent &c Drew Salt H. for Geo. Law. Thom. K 22 Witsel here	I and Henry Concklin drew 3 loads salt Hay to Day, 1 for George M Lawrence 1 for Me, And the other load was divided, I and George Lawrence each half. I spent for self and Henry Concklin 10 pence to Day at Herberts Paid, I have done Now we have each had 2 1/2 Loads I have drawn 2 1/2 Loads for George Lawrence to be charged Thomas K Witsel came here towards Night With Waggon and Horse, stay'd to Night, did not Preach; Was on his Way to New York
23	Clear all Day and Middling Cold
Geo Law. 23 oxen	George Lawrence had My Oxen, drew 3 loads of Salt Hay from his Stack with Henry Concklin 1 Day

1835	Momento
Dec. 23	Thomas K Witsel went Away 1/2 after 11 AM
Gave J. G. 23	I Gave to Jacob Gesner 6 pence Gracy 6 pence for Castor Oil
Gave Ja Ges to pay Anderwine	I Gave Jacob Gesner 8 shillings to pay Anderwine for me, he gave it to Henry Conklin who said he gave it to Anderwine; now Paid in full
Thursd 24	Hazy and Cloudy all Day, did freeze hard last Night, Moderate through the Day
Jim Oliver 24 Made up My Apples for 1/2 the cider each 2 Barr.	Jim Oliver made up my Apples at Peter Rikers Cider Mill, in all the very cold time the heap was exposed to the Weather, the Outside of them was frozen but its said the inside was good. I fetched My part towards Night, 2 Barrels I had: Jim had 2
At Herbts. 24 5 sh. 6 p. un paid & 6 p. pd	At Herberts 3 1/2 lb Sugar 3 shillings and 7 lb Wheat flour 2 shillings 6 pence unpaid; and 1/2 lb Salaratus 6 pence paid
Crulla 24	Gracy Made crulla to Night
25	Clear and Moderate All Day, towards Night little Hazy
25	Christmas Day

NOTE: "Saleratus," or Salarates an impure bicarbonate of potash containing more carbon dioxide than pearl ash does, much used as an ingredient in baking powders. *OED*. Also used in the past as a name for baking soda.

1835	Momento
Dec. 25	Herbert a Shooting for Geese &c
Jon Law 25 to New York by land &c	Jon Lawrence down to New York Again to Day, George Lawrence took him down with Waggon part of the Way &c
Rain 26 Ice Thaws Boats Run	Rained last Night, this Morning and all day a little and in the evening, not cold, the ice thaws considerable for the whole surface was covered with a bed of Ice — the flats off Snedens continues fast, the boats ran Again
Stephen 26 Parsels husk= ed corn &c	Stephen parsel came this Morning of his own Accord About 10 AM And Husked corn for me till near 1 PM
26 Annual Schl. District Meetg.	<p>Annual School district Meeting to Night at 6 PM Myself chosen Moderator</p> <p>John Willse continued Trustee</p> <p>Herbert Gesner Trustee</p> <p>George Quidor Trustee</p> <p>Nicholas Gesner Clerk</p> <p>Jacob Gesner Collector</p>
	<p>For a New School House a Site of Herberts for 30 Meeting Agreed by Vote to Raise 330 And the Old one to be sold at public Sale and next Annual Meeting the last Saturday in December 1836</p>

1835	Momento
Dec. 27	Cloudy this Morning and All day, not cold, is very Muddy when the ice is thawed off, cold towards evening
Pr. Mg. 27 Jonathan Law.	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences Bad going I, Margaret, Rachel Gravestine and Mistress Cooper there and family Jonathan Lawrence went to New York friday, not there and none other there
27 Peggy Posts outrage Against the School Meeting the place for Sch Ho. her Revenge &c	Peggy Post and Betsy Scudder here this evening, Peggy talked with exasperated language against the decision of the School Meeting last Evening for getting a place or Site of Herbert to injure them in their Orchard And to show her Revenge Said, they Jacob Post &c had offered them a place in front of Herberts and they should not have it now for a School House And that She would never send one of hers there to School, that they have had trouble enough of Herberts and Trenchards children And that they would Sell it Right in front or build there and have a large Store put up there; and that she Would complain of Herbert for keeping a bad House &c and that he Sold liquor without license. I told her she had Money enough to go on &c, She just discovered her Wicked heart her impetuosity And not good sense; but her governing Spirit, Self interest the Actuating Motive Nothing reasonable was exhibited
Mond 28	Cloudy this Morning cold, weather more Moderate

1835	Memento
<p>Dec. 28 Steph Parsel Oxen 1/2 Day the first time</p> <p>29</p> <p>At Herbt. 29 Paid</p> <p>At Larrys 29 Raisins paid</p> <p>Woodruff 29 Preachd. J.L. to Night</p> <p>30</p> <p>Woodruff 30 here, went Away took his Girl &c</p>	<p>Stephen Parsel had My Oxen and Sled to Draw Logs for his building said out of Pete Rikers Woods, a 1/2 Day or More, this is the first time Since our Settlement</p> <p>Moderate weather, Snow and Ice is melting Away</p> <p>At Herberts 3 1/2 lb wheat flour 1 shilling 3 pence — 1/2 pint Brandy 8 pence, a Quart Molasses 10 pence = 2..9 pence Paid</p> <p>William Lawrence at Larry Snedens for us Raisins 1 lb, paid</p> <p>Brother Woodruff came here with horse and Waggon About 10 AM Preached At Jon Lawrences to Night, About 15, I, Gracy, Jacob Gesner and Wife Henry Concklin and Wife; Margaret, Lucy, George Lawrence, Betsy Sneden, Rachel Gravestine and family, a Good Discourse</p> <p>Partly overcast All Day, thawing weather, Ground When bare grows Muddy</p> <p>Woodruff came from Sally's About 10 AM, Shaved, got his horse before his Waggon, Went up to Preach At Slote, he started before 12 o'clock, he took his Girl from Sally's with him</p>
1835	Memento
<p>Dec. 30 Alfred &c</p> <p>Thursd 31</p> <p>Richd 31 Van Wickle cut Oak Divided &c</p> <p>Turnips 31 &c</p> <p>31</p> <p>Invited to Sarah Lawrences Birth Day</p>	<p>Alfred Miles boy living with me disappointed in Going down to New York, the Steam boat did not go</p> <p>Clear all Day, Air cold, light wind from NW, grew cold before Day, freezes all Day, ground along the Road rough and hard</p> <p>Richard Van Wickle cut the black oak between him and Me, on My side the fence, each half, divided and drawn away by My Oxen and Sled, About 1 1/2 load for him and 1 1/2 load for Me</p> <p>Yesterday got some more of my turnips out, and brought in to Day near Night</p> <p>I, Gracy, Betsy Scudder invited by Sarah Lawrence 10 Years old to come and drink tea with her Mother, it was her Birth Day We Went, Henry Concklin and Peggy also there, had an excellent chicken Pye &c &c. Sarah Lawrence the Daughter of Jon Lawrence and Sally Gesner Was born December 31 1825 on the last Day of the Week, the last day of the Month And the last Day of the Year, now Aged 10 years</p>

1836	Momento
Jan 1	Clear this Morning, soon grows cloudy, Middling cold, moderate Afternoon, clear at Night not very cold
Watch Night Episl. Church Youngsters Firing &c	Last Night a Watch Night at Methodist Episcopal Meeting House Rockland, 2 or 3 Ministers or Exhorters from patterson, I've been told the preaching no way extraordinary, strong invitation for Members but none &c, a Considerable Number in the Meeting, Malasen there, text Romans 72 and 1st Verse, a Number of Youngsters at the corner Big house near the Church firing swivel and Small arms between 10 and Eleven o'clock at Night
Herbt. Shooting &c	Herbert Another Shooting for fowls Geese &c
	1 Isaac Wheeler and Wife Sally here to Day, his wifes name is Sally
Sat 2	Cloudy or nearly Overcast this morning, clouds Slowly Moving from the Westward, not cold. Remains Cloudy All Day; thaws a little
Stephen Parsels Oxen	2 Stephen Parsel Oxen drawing timber 1/2 Day, the forenoon

NOTE: "Swivel" is short for swivel gun, a gun resting on a mount that swiveled, enabling it to turn in any direction. "Small arms" are guns capable of being carried in the hand.

1836	Momento
<p>Jan. 2 Will of Mt. Mann executed</p>	<p>The Will Written for Margaret Mann the 4th of December last, Executed this Afternoon at Herbert Gesners the Witnesses there present were William Herbert Gesner, William N. Gesner and Myself Nicholas Gesner , she published and declared the same to be her last Will and Testament</p>
<p>At Herbt. 2 unpaid paid Jan 9</p>	<p>At Herberts 3 1/2 lb Sugar 3 shillings unpaid But paid January 9th which see</p>
<p>2</p>	<p>Gracy and Betsy Scudder to visit Peggy Post to Night</p>
<p>Sally & 2 Mist. Scudder to New Land.</p>	<p>Sally and Betsy Scudder to upper Landing this Afternoon with My Mare and George Lawrences Waggon</p>
<p>Sale 3</p>	<p>Clear and Moderate this Morning little or no wind</p>
<p>Pr. Mg. 3 at Jon Law. Jacob Ges. to New York Geo Ges. took him & John Moore to the Gate</p>	<p>Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning, Brother Clark, Myself, Jacob Gesner and Wife he is gone to New York this Morning Isaac Wheeler, Lucy, Mistress Cooper, Margaret Smith and family present. Jonathan Lawrence also at New York, Clark spoke very well. George Gesner with Horse and Waggon took Jacob Gesner and John Moore to the Gate &c on their way to New York</p>

1836	Momento	
Jan. 4		Overcast, a Scud from the SE but the Wind seems About NE, cold drissels and freeze soon thaws, a Rainy and Drissling Day and Night
Sally here	4	Sally here, took home in Evening, came before 12
Rain	5	Still misty, Raw weather, Wind North East; not very high, dont freeze this Morning, overcast and drissels all Day
Mary Law. here &c	5	Mary Lawrence came last evening with Sled, to Day put up Curtains around the Bed
Alfred to NY	5	Alfred Miles boy to New York to Day with schooner I think a Schooner to see his Father
I sent to Market	5	I sent down with the said boat 1 Barrel pippin Apples, and 3 Bags of potatoes, Jerry Smith and Anderwine Boatman
	6	Continues overcast a little, fine snow, is a little colder, overcast all Day, not much Rain or Snow
Gracy Ill	6	Gracy continues to have bad Spells with Some live Animal on her Stomach, creeping up in her throat, half choking of Her; also on her stomach crawling and giving her much Misery
A Fox	6	A Fox troubles us, keeps in the Gulley, William Lawrence is Bating it, intends to Shoot the fox

1836	Momento
Jan. 7	Overcast yet; looks likely for Snow or Rain, Wind About NE raw cold, and continues so All Day; from 12 all the Afternoon very high Stormy wind from the Northeast; but no Rain, a long time overcast
Alfred 7 did not come got Return a bad one	The Vessel came up this Morning but Alfred Stay'd behind, Got Return Clear 1 Barrel good pippins 10 and the 3 Bags potatoes About 13 shillings = 23 shillings Received by William Lawrence
Friday 8 Rain	Still overcast, wind high last Night from NE; begins to Rain some Midday, and Rains hard at Night, Raw Cold
Sorted 8 Pippins	Sorted my pippins over Again
Sat. 9 Snow Snow	Snow, it began After Raining last Night About 4 or 5 o'clock AM before Day to Snow. Wind had Shifted from NE to NNE, snows hard all Day, snows in Afternoon with some Hail, at Night Snows hard, Wind very high, drifts, yet the snow is very heavy
Nicholas Haring & Eliza Haring Married	Nicholas Haring son of John Haring Married to Jacob Haring's Daughter Eliza the Grand Daughter of Peter Riker December about the 9th or 10th 1835
At Herbts. 9 wheat flour paid & Sugar pd.	At Herberts 7 lb Wheat flour 2 shillings 8 pence paid And I paid the Sugar had January 2nd which see January 2nd

1836	Momento
<p>Jan. 10 Sabbath Snow 14 Inches Deep bad Storm Breaking the Road No Pr. 10 Mg. &c Apples 10 Jerry Smith</p>	<p>A violent Snow Storm succeeded the Rain, this Morning an immense Snow on the Ground, the Snow is heavy, and on an Average depth about 14 Inches, a little hail this Morning and throughout the Day When this Snow began the ground had only remaining on it, here and there small spots of the first Snow of November left, the Wind continues very high and overcast and looks stormy still, Men turned out With ox teams, also mine, to break the road, shovels with them this Morning</p> <p>No Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences to day, a deep Snow and Stormy</p> <p>Yesterday I let Jerry Smith have 1 Bushel + Specked pippins and Domina Apples together, made no Charge</p>
<p>1 1/2 Inches 11 More Snow</p>	<p>Has snowed Some last Night 1 1/2 Inches and Still does this Morning early, seems to break away About 9 AM, moderate, deep snow on the Ground, About 15 or 16 Inches Deep</p>
<p>Anderwine 11 sold things poorly</p>	<p>I had return of the 1 Barrel apples and 3 bags potatoes apples 11 shillings, they were selling at 2 potatoes About 5 shillings the Bag</p>

1836	Momento
Jan. 13	Clear and quite Moderate all Day, thaws, Wind Westward
Hen Conk. 12 helped me in Return &c	Henry Concklin helped me cut a load a half Wood this Morning, he Offered to help, I ground up his newly upset Axe for he helped
Rec. of &c 12	Received from Jacob Onderdonck by Abraham Post 1 pound 19 shillings 0 pence yesterday &c
Woodruff 12 Pd. at J. Law	Brother Woodruff came late; day-light near off, about 14, Preached At Jon Lawrences from John 9th and 4th Verse; "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is Day: the Night cometh when no Man can work" he preached Very well &c Jon Lawrence and Jacob Gesner at New York; I, Gracy, Jacobs Wife and Girl Maria, Henry Concklin and Wife, Elizabeth Wheeler and Aunt, Aaron Wheeler, George Lawrence, Betsy Scudder and family there
13	Clear, very Moderate; thaws
Woodruff 13 here & went Away Gave 2 D	Woodruff came here from Sally's About 8 AM, Ate Dinner, got Horse, Started for to Preach at Slote about half After 1 PM, Gave him 2 Dollars
14	Clear and Moderate all Day, thaws some
Herbt. 14 Oxen	Herbert Oxen to Day drawing Wood from David Blauvelts Swamp, or Road opposite
1836	Momento
Jan. 14 My Old Sorrrel Died his age and character Buried &c	My old Horse named Sorrel died last Night, perhaps just before day as he was quite Warm early in the Morning, he has discovered An Ailment since last fall, apparently then a Swelling on his neck just back of his ears; he Ate free this Winter potatoes and Soft corn, his hay he could not chew very Well; he grew poor, towards the last an Awful and stinking discharge from his Right nostril; had he lived till next May he would have been 25 Years old; he was folded in the year 1811. Came from a horse of William Pullis And of an excellent good Mare belonging to me, which I Bought of Jacob Dutcher at Nyack years Ago he was about 15 Hands high, And the <u>best</u> Horse without dispute that was ever Bred or Owned in Rockland: I got his Grave Dug by black Pompey for 4 shillings And We Buried him Back of My Barn Along the line between me and lately of John Willse but now of Leonard Beasley About 50 Yards from the Barn his characteristic fame as a first Rate Horse was known far and near. He was calculated for Any use; affable, at the Word word would Make his Manners by Scraping his foot, would Stretch surprisingly &c &c did much work last year

1836	Momento
Jan. 14 Pd. Pompey &c	Paid Pompey 3 shillings in cash and 1 shilling in other &c for digging Old Sorrels Grave
15	Clear cold Wind NW all Day, clear and cold, some cold looking clouds
Went to 15 New City Recd. pay for taking Census &c	I Went up to New City to Day, George Gesner and Mary Lawrence, With Herberts Sleigh and Horse, a Cold Ride. Started 10 AM back Dusk, I Went and Received pay for taking the Census of Orange Town in preceding Year, in the Month of August and September for 10 Days at 14 shillings per Day, Allowed by Supervisor of the County of Rockland 31.50. Abraham Hogencamp &c County Clerk and Treasurer
Spent 15 And paid	Spent in going up 3 pence at Herberts for Crackers 6 pence and 3 pence at the A Blenises Corner of cross Road And at Herberts 1 shilling 5 pence for cheese all paid
Sat. 16	Clear and very Cold this Morning all Day cold
Took the 16 Church stuff out of Geo. Law. Shop	At George Lawrences urgent request I took the Siding and planks out of his Shop to Day. Benches, Sashes, doors &c took out Some little time Ago; it appears that he makes arrangements in clearing off, for Marriage

1836	Momento
<p>Jan. 16 Paid Geo. Law. 5 D &c</p> <p>Paid 16 Wm. Gesner At Herbt. 16 Wash bowls paid Sabbath 17 Cold Snow</p> <p>17 I Paid John Willse the 13 borrowed being in full</p>	<p>I Paid to George Lawrence at Herberts this evening Henry Concklin and Herbert present the 5 Dollars Herbert borrowed of him for me to Get seed Rye the fall past September 17th 1835. Herbert, Henry Concklin present</p> <p>Paid William Gesner for Mowing my buckwheat 6 shillings in full</p> <p>At Herberts 2 Wash bowls, one White 1 shilling 9 pence the other earthen brown 1 shilling = 2 shillings 9 pence, Paid</p> <p>A very cold Night last Night, thickened up last Night and began to Snow hard about 8 AM, cold Wind About NE by N, there is Already a Great body of Snow in the Ground, continues Snowing a little all Day, near Night more moderate</p> <p>I Paid John Willse this Morning he was here 10.38 He owed Me for writing 2 Deeds = 12 shillings Also a Bond and Mortgage from Leonard Beasley to him for Which he was indebted to Me Leonard has paid it to him 9 shillings Makes 21 shillings he owes Me the 2 Deeds was one to Leonard Beasley and the other from George Mann to him, for which John was to pay Me. Now the 21 shillings = 2.62 Added to 10.38 = 13 Dollars Which I had borrowed of him to pay Esquire Mabie for John Manning</p>
1836	Momento
<p>Jan. 17 Geo. Law it is said gone to be Married</p> <p>17 Pray Meet at Jon. Law.</p> <p>Monday 18</p> <p>Hen. Conck 18 Cut Red Cedars for J. Law Paid me 2 sh 15 p</p>	<p>George M Lawrence down to New York this Morning through the flying Snow Snowy it is said, to be Married to Maria Jacox! Perhaps a Sorrowy undertaking! had Herberts horse, Came back tuesday the 19 Married to her, see 19th</p> <p>Prayer Meeting this Morning at Jonathan Lawrences, he came up from New York friday last near Night. He exhorted most excellent and tenderly admonishing the few to faithfulness, Gods willingness to Pardon and to grant his holy Spirit to Aid &c I came while he was Speaking, Margaret, Lucy, Rachel Gravestine, Mistress Cooper and family present Jacob Gesner at New York</p> <p>Snows this Morning from the SW, not cold nor Much Snow Added to the Great body of Snow Already on the Ground</p> <p>Henry Concklin, William Lawrence helped cut Red Cedars 9 feet long for Jon Lawrence for New Steam Boat he is About building at New York. I cut 8 Pieces, Allowed to Make 11 timbers, he gave me 55 shillings or 6 and 87 1/2 cents cash this Night. Henry Concklin helped cut 1 load Wood, I and William Lawrence. Sally and Jonathan Lawrence here to Night, fetched and took back with Oxen and Sled</p>

1836	Momento
Jan. 19	Clear and Cold all Day, wind Westward
I took 19 Red cedars &c	I took the Red Cedars to Mouth of creek for Jon Lawrence, put on board of Sloop with his other timber to take to New York. Good Sleigh Riding
Paid 19 Charles Taulman Bot & paid At Herbt. 19	I Paid Charles Taulman the 17 shillings 5 pence which stood long in full, got his Receipt. I Paid 19 Cents for last quarter postage of News Papers from Baltimore. I Bought Carpenters Rule and compass at 6 shillings + 1 shillings = 7 shillings paid A Herberts 7 lb wheat flour 2 shillings 8 pence got by Alfred unpaid
Geo M Law 19 Married	George M Lawrence Married to Maria Jacox, came up from New York to Day both
20	Clear and cold this Morning, more Moderate Midday
Sent to 20 Mill Buck wheat &c Bush. 2 1/2 to pay Cose Blauvt.	Sent this Day 1 Bag 2 1/2 Bushels Buckwheat to Nagles Mill, 1 Bag to Ferdons upper Mill, 2 1/2 Bushels and 1 Bag, 2 1/2 Bushels for the 2 Bushels of Buckwheat I had at Ferdons Mill of James Blauvelt to Sow last July, each Bag Weighed 127 lb. William Lawrence and Alfred Went both ways, had Herberts Sleigh

1836	Momento
Hen. Jan. 20 Con. Oxen	Henry Concklin Oxen fetched 1 load Wood or More, Ask
Sally 20 here 21	Sally here and little Cornelia before 12, fetched and Brought back just in evening Clear and very cold, no wind circulating, Overcast in the evening, more Moderate, Rained some About 10 PM
Paid 21 Geo. Ges. 3 D. again	Paid George Gesner 3 dollars to Day; sometime Ago I paid him 3 Dollars = 6 Dollars on Work in Meadow, now he has had 6
I at 21 Sally's &c	I at Sally's cut her Round of Beef in 2 pieces, that is double pieces, this is the 2nd time, she got them of Cornelius Doremus
Jacob 21 Gesner came home Frid 22	Jacob Gesner came home in the evening, has been 3 Weeks Gone to New York to help Jon Lawrence make Moulds for Steam Boat, had a New Broad Axe Foggy this Morning wind SW, mostly overcast all Day, in the Evening a little colder, it Rained some last Night.
Good Sleigh Riding long	The riding with this Snow has been excellent near a fortnight Riding with the Sleigh made more permanent by Some Rain, Snow in Abundance on the Ground

NOTE: The new steam boat that Jonathan Lawrence was working on was the *Warren*, being built at Snedens and Lawrences shipyard in downtown New York City. A number of local businessmen had formed a stock company to build the boat. The group included Peter H. Taulman and John Blanch of Piermont. When completed, the *Warren* ran between De Noyelles' dock at Haverstraw and Vesey Street, New York, leaving Haverstraw every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11 AM and New York every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 2 PM. She landed at Snedeker's, Slaughters Landing, Nyack, Snedens, Closter, Huyler's and Hammond St. each way. Information from Green's *History of Rockland County*, page 213

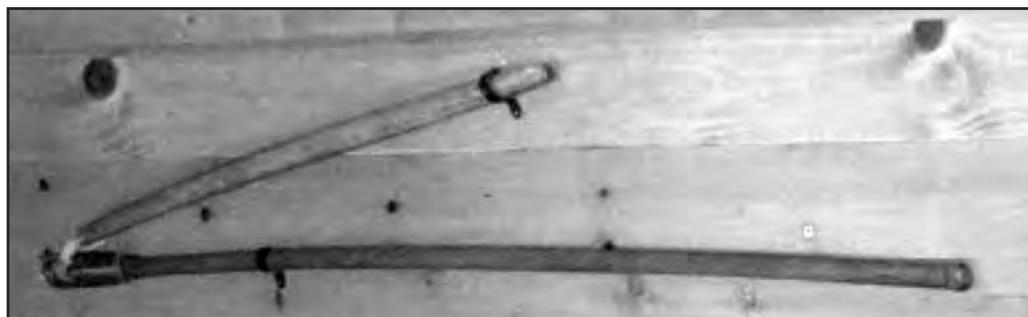
1836	Momento	
Jan. 22 Steph. Parsel Oxen	Stephen Parsels My Oxen all Day Drawing timber for his house, hard drove, broke through to day on Account of some Rain from Abraham Clarks Swamp Bakers lot	
22	Buckwheat to Mill see the 20th Instant	
Buckwheat Meal fetched from both Mills to Day Weighed &c Herberts Sleigh	I sent to John Nagles Mill 2 1/2 Bushels Weighed It came back to Day, the flour 65 1/2 lb the Bran 48 1/2 lb He took for toll To Smith Ferdons Mill 2 1/2 Bushels Weighed It came back also to Day, flour 63 lb Bran 47 lb 110 He took for toll	lb 127 114 13 127 <u>110</u> 17
Gracy 22 Woolen yarn to Weavers	Gracy took our woolen yarn to Auriasons Closter to be woven, 8 lb warp and 9 lb filling. Alfred and Sarah Lawrence along, Herberts Sleigh —	

NOTE: In weaving, the longitudinal threads are called the warp and the lateral threads are the weft or filling.

1836	Momento
<p>Jan 23</p> <p>23</p> <p>President Jacksons Speech</p> <p>The French Injustice</p> <p>Gave 23 Sally</p> <p>Ja Ges 23 tool chest</p> <p>Geo. Ges. 23 out riding</p> <p>Hen. Con. 23 cut load wood for me</p>	<p>Clear and cold this Morning, a Middling cold Day</p> <p>In the Commencement of this Sitting of congress city Washington President General Jackson in his Address, has the approbation even of his enemies, one never excelled justly, judiciously, and with Merit and honour, exhibiting the true state of Affairs, Reaching, the honour, character and proceedings of the French Government in the Refusal to pay their Acknowledged Debt to the United States &c, the Probability is if the French do not speedily comply with National Justice, the difficulty will soon find its way to Hostilities —</p> <p>Gave Sally 24 lb Buckwheat Meal and 1/2 peck Buckwheat</p> <p>Jacob Gesner Made tool chest</p> <p>George Gesner out Sleigh Riding, had it is said a Girl of Leonard Beasley</p> <p>Henry Concklin Cut a load wood for Me this Afternoon, Alfred up With Oxen and Sled &c</p>
1836	Momento
<p>Jan 24</p> <p>Snow</p> <p>Pr. Mg. 24 Jon Law</p> <p>Sally 24 here</p> <p>Hen C. 24 &c Peggy &c</p> <p>Mond 25 Snow and Hail</p> <p>Ja Ges. 25 tool chest</p> <p>Sally 25 3 pecks corn ears</p>	<p>Clear, but a little Hazy and cold this morning. Afternoon begins to look for foul weather, Wind high NE, begins to Snow and Hail about 7 o'clock PM, cold,</p> <p>Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences this morning, Isaac Wheeler and wife, Rachel Gravestine, Margaret and Lucy were there and family Jonathan Lawrence at New York, Jacob Gesner, his wife not well, Gracy home also Peggy and Henry there</p> <p>Sally here this Afternoon, went Away little after sun set</p> <p>Henry and Peggy here a little while this evening</p> <p>A bad Storm, Hails this Morning, there has been but little snow fell and no Rain, but plenty of fine Hail perhaps last Night, Alternately then Snow and then Hail, perhaps 8 or 10 Inches on the top of the vast Body of Snow and Ice Already on the Ground, Roads not broken hardly any this evening, Clear to Night And quite Cold</p> <p>Jacob Gesner Made tool chest</p> <p>Let Sally have Some common corn to Day for fowls, William fetched, took upon a Sled About 1/2 Bushel and 1 peck ears shrunken corn</p>

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	<p>NB I had a 5 Dollar Note which he could not change &c so I owe the 4 shillings yet paid Since</p>																								
<p>26 Snow</p>	<p>Thinly overcast and Snow this Morning, wind cold from the SW, breaks Away about 10 AM, cold all day</p>																								
<p>Hen Conck 26 helped cut wood</p>	<p>Henry Concklin helped me I and he cut About 2 loads wood over the Bottom, cut a pretty large black Oak, About an hour and near a half</p>																								
<p>Woodruff 26 no Preachg.</p>	<p>Woodruff did not come down to day nor in the evening, no Preaching at Jonathan Lawrences to Night, no one came but Margaret, Benjamin Gravestine, Boy, Girl</p>																								
<p>A Pedlar 26 Stay'd got common waist coat pattern</p>	<p>A Roman Catholic Pedlar stay'd here last Night, the Roads almost impassible Heavy Snow and Hail and Roads not broke. He charged Luther put up by Cramner to Write against the catholics, no Pope for Me</p>																								

1836	Momento
Jan. 27	Clear And Cold this Morning, clear all Day and cold, the Roads are not yet properly beaten to Make Riding real good since the last Snow and Hail
Oats &c 27	Threshed Oats
Thursd 28	Clear and Cold, a cold Night last Night, immense Cold Weather, excellent Riding with the pleasure Sleigh, Great body of Snow and hail on the Ground
Lent J. 28 Ges paid	I Lent to Jacob Gesner 1 Dollar to pay his Way to New York to Morrow, this is paid back, Got of Betsy he sent it
Frid 29	Clear and immensely cold Wind SW, last night has been a remarkable cold Night, severe cold
Sally & 29 Ja Ges to NY took by Larry Sneden	Just after Sun Rise Sally and Jacob Gesner went to New York; Larry Sneden took them; Jacob Gesner took his tool chest and Clothes chests along to Work at the Steam boat &c
Oats 29	I finished threshing Oats to Day
29	Pedlar came here this evening again, the same see 26th, stayed all Night
Ice in 29 River	River most Shut here, no freshage of water last fall and this Winter, the River is very Salt and dont freeze Readily



A flail was used to thresh grains. This one dates from the mid-1800s. The farmer held the short stick and swung; the impact of the long stick would separate the husks from the grains. Farmers used different types of flails for different grains. Photo by Ken Giorlando.

1836	Momento
Jan. 30	Clear and More Moderate to Day, also last Night not so cold; but Yesterday was immensely Cold towards Night grew Overcast, not cold
30 Owe Pedlar 9 sh 6 p paid since sun 11th of Feb	The Pedlar named Hugh Went away this Morning, I got 2 Handkerchiefs for Myself And Betsy Scudder got one at 2 shillings 6 pence each, Makes 7 shillings 6 pence. Gracy got 1/2 paper pins 6 pence, for Alfred a pair Gallowses 1 shilling 6 pence, Makes all together 9 shillings 6 pence unpaid, urged the taking of the Articles, said would come Again. I paid the 10th of February 1836
Hen. C 30 cut 1 load drew 1 load for himself	Henry Concklin cut 1 load Ash Wood up along Richards fence, he helped Alfred load it Henry drew with My team 1 load for himself
Herbt. 30 unpaid	Yesterday at Herberts 7 lb Wheat flour 2 shillings 8 pence and 1/2 Gallon Molasses 1 shilling 8 pence= 4 shillings 4 pence Unpaid. Alfred fetched
Sabbath 31 Snow &c	Snow this Morning, wind lightly from NE by N not cold, Snows all Day, not over hard and snows some at Night, An immense Body of Snow on the Ground

NOTE: "Gallowses" is a variant of galluses, suspenders for trousers

1836	Momento
Jan. 31 No Pr. Mg.	No Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences, I went up, no one but the family there; Sally, Jon Lawrence and Jacob Gesner at New York
Eley 31 at Sally's	Eley at Jon Lawrences to stay till Sally returned, she went to old side Meeting this Morning
Feb. 1 cold	Overcast, Sky somewhat covered with broken clouds, colder than Yesterday, clouds move from the Westward, An immense cold Day
Court 1 Hackensack	Court sets at Hackensack, began last tuesday
I I Went with John Willse & Abm. Post &c to Nyack to see their new sloop frame	I went with John Willsey and Abraham Post to Nyack, took Abe Sarvent and Jef Sarvent Along; Henry Gesner present also, examined the frame and Deck frame of the Sloop building by Albert Lydecker for John Willse and Abraham Post, an evil Report was Raised Against her, but found her better than I expected. The frame And timber very good; a careless neglect in the letting the top timbers butt on the head of the futtocks, making several wide Spaces for Spiking, her Model did not suit me altogether, uncommon cold

NOTE: "Futtocks" are the curved timbers which form the middle sections of a compound rib in a ship.

1836	Momento
Feb. 1 at Blacklidges paid	At Blacklidges Nyack a bottle and Ink 1 shilling 6 pence and 3 Mackerel 1 shilling = 2 shillings 6 pence Paid. NB I must have left 1 shilling change on his counter; it was gone
at John 1 Briggs's paid	At John Briggs's slote 1 lb tea 4 shillings 6 pence, paid
2 Cold, Cold bitter cold	Clear, wind Southwesterly or Westerly, extremely cold, and a bitter cold night past, water freezes instantaneously. Ice frozen in the house where a good fire was kept burning till near 11 o'clock PM. Yesterday truly was a Cold Day; but this Day I think tops off any Day this Winter — cold to Night
Alfred 2 to School	Alfred began School at the Slote by the day, Yesterday for the first paid the time Went, 80 cents
Sally & J.G. 2 not heard &c	We have not heard from Sally and Jacob Gesner since they went to New York the 29th January last
3 Cold, Cold	Clear, yet the Sky has a Whitish cold appearance, last Night a prodigious cold Night, this Morning also. Doctor Hopson told me this Morning that yesterday and last Night the quicksilver in the Thermometer was 17 Degrees below Zero, truly immensely cold. To Day not so cold as Yesterday quite
Paid 2 Hopson in full	I Paid Doctor Hopson 4.50 being in full, he was in front of house on his way to New York

1836	Momento
Feb. 4	Cold continues, very cold last Night, Russia Winter Weather, Clear all day, the atmosphere has a pale Whitish appearance; a light wind from the Westward, rather to day North Westward
Henry C. 4 helped cut	Henry Concklin helped me cut a Nut tree over the Bottom, not a load in it, helped About 3/4 hour
Wheeler 4 & son Oxen hurt &c	Wheeler and son Aaron here, Wanted wood to Day, I went with them as far as the burying Ground, the crust so hard nearly to bear the Oxen, had to turn back, cut their small hoofs, the blood ran out, wallowed in the Depth of the immense body of Snow and hail
Peggy Post 4 & Letty over cold 5 20° below Zero or 21	Peggy Post and Letty here to Night visit, cold cold Still colder than yesterday this Day, appears to me the coldest of any this Winter, intolerable and it is said to be About 21 Degrees below Zero, three Degrees colder than the coldest day last Winter
Jerry & 5 Ben oxen	Jerry Smith and Ben Gravestine the Oxen to fetch Hay from closter near where John Nagle did live; He Kept the Oxen at Larry's to Night
very cold 6	Clear and has been immensely cold last Night, thicker Ice was froze in the Room this Morning than has been this winter before, continual Russia Cold

1836	Momento
Feb. 6 Jerry Oxen	Jerry Smith the oxen Again to fetch the Rest of his Hay, ie yesterday and to day each day large 3/4 of Day
Hen C 6 cut &c	Henry Concklin cut a Small load sugar Maple in upper lot. Alfred took the oxen near sun set just came home; see above and Henry Concklin helped him draw it
John Storms 6 & John Gesner &c	John Storms and John Gesner the Grand son of My Brother John and their Wives to see me, good sleigh riding, came About 11 AM, Went Away near Sun set
Paid 6 John Storms 17.50 the Note & 4 on Interest 2 sh yet due &c	I Paid John Storms the 17.50 for the Mare I bought of him, last Fall a Year Ago, I had given him a Note payable last 1st of May = 9 Months = 75 cents so I gave him 50 cents on the Interest makes 18 Dollars I gave him, there is 25 cents yet due, I took up the Note
Sabbath 7 Snow	Snows a little this Morning, about 1 1/2 Inches, not so cold, becomes thinly Overcast Midday; at Night thick overcast, Snows in the Evening
Pr. Mg. 7 Jon Law.	Prayer Meeting Jon Lawrences, I, Wheeler and Wife, Benjamin Gravestines Daughter, Eley She stays at Sally's till her return from NY

1836	Momento
Feb. 8 Snow bad crust previous to this Date &c	An additional Snow of 8 or 10 Inches deep. Rains a little this Morning not very cold; an immense body of snow and hail now on the Ground, the Crust by Hail and little Rain heretofore, and excessive cold immediately following has made it almost impossible to get into the woods or out of the broken Road, cuts the creatures hoofs and legs
Good 8 Riding	Good Sleigh Riding from the commencement of the large Snow
A letter 8 from Jon Law & Sally At NY	This evening Received a letter from Jon Lawrence who is at New York, informing that he, Sally, Jacob and William Gesner were well; but had done no work for near a fortnight on Account of the severe cold; Sally expected to tarry yet a While at New York before she comes
Tuesd 9	Thinly Overcast, somewhat cold, crust on the top of the Snow &c, clouds moving moderately from the West this Morning, moderate all Day
Last week 9 Alfred 5 Day to school	Yesterday bad Weather, Alfred did not go to school, last week he went 5 Days We dunged the Horse and Oxen Stables out
Woodruff 9 came late did not go & Preach rode out of his way	Woodruff came here just day-light off fatigued from 2 1/2 Miles before Elizabeth Town Jersey. He came by the way of Hoboken much out of his Way, did not go to Jon Lawrences to Preach, a few met kept Prayer Meeting. Wheeler, George Lawrence and his Wife there, Henry Concklin and Peggy, I stay'd Home.

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<p>Feb. 9 Woodruff directed Wrong &c</p>	<p>Woodruff having been to see his friends at Elizabeth Town New Jersey went the latter part of last Week and Returned this Evening to fill his Appointment at Jon Lawrences, Was directed for his nearest Way to come from Newark to Hoboken, thence it appears through Tenack, Scralenburg to Tappan Vilage, so across the new Road to Rockland to My house perhaps 7 or 8 Miles out of his Way</p>
<p>Woodruff 9 to Sally's she at N. Y. Wed 10</p>	<p>Woodruff at Breakfast and Went on foot to Sally's about 9 o'clock AM; Sally is yet at New York, in Afternoon to Phebe Snedens, on foot.</p> <p>Clear, not cold, good Sleigh Riding yet and has been a long time, not cold all Day, thaws a little</p>
<p>Stephen 10 Parsels Oxen 3/4 Day Buck is hurt very bad</p>	<p>Stephen Parsels Oxen to Draw logs out of Mountain from Moses Taylors lot, near the Road leading down to little House SW of letter L tree, bad and deep snow where the road is not broke, it was broke within 50 Yards, he had them not quite 3/4 Day, Jerry Smith helped. I went and saw the drawing of the Butt log, Gum Wood, stout log was 3 logs in the one tree Buck is much hurt fore leg</p>
<p>Wm. Law 10 Shot Dog Caper</p>	<p>Yesterday William Lawrence Shot the Dog Caper, not crazy; but useless, not by My orders</p>



New road to Tappan, completed 1823

1836	Momento
Feb. 10 Woodruff Pd. Slote Went with 2 Sleighs 11	Woodruff Preached Slote School House to Night from John 14 and 18th About 15 or 20, spoke well, good attention, I Gracy Betsy Gesner and Old Mistress Cooper with Woodruffs Horse and Sleigh — And My Mare and Herberts Sleigh with Eley from Sally's Mary L. and Margaret Smith to Meeting Clear and Cold, middling cold last Night in Evening, grows overcast not very cold
Geo Law. 11 & Wife to N York Alfred 11 took Woodruffs Sleigh Betsy &c	George Lawrence and Maria his wife to New York, passed My House About 8 AM, I sent a Letter to Jon Law and Sally his Sleigh and Jim Olivers horse Alfred to School, took Woodruffs horse and Sleigh down to Slote for him at Phebe Snedens, Betsy and her Girl Maria went along to George Quidors
12 Friday	Snows a little this Morning, a little Misty and Snows all Day and in the Evening; but only by turns very little
Sent to 12 Nagels Mill &c	I sent with William Lawrence to Nagels Mill, Herberts Pleasure Sleigh My Mare 2 Bags of Buckwheat, the 1 Weighed 104 lb the other 105 lb, bags included also 1 Bag Oats 3 Bushels it Weighed 90 lb, the 1 Bag of Buckwheat for Meal, the other Bag and the oats to be broken for feed

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<p>Feb. 12 Hen Conck. helped cut 1 Load Wood &c 2 1/4 Hours</p>	<p>Henry Concklin helped cut 1 load wood Nut one tree to Day and helped Draw it, About 2 Hours Work or 2 1/4: Snow very deep, Bucks Left fore leg behind just Above his 2 small hoofs very bad cut, this seems to have been done the 10th Instant, After I left them which see hard crust about 8 Inches under the top</p>
<p>Rye Meal 12 of Nagle 1/2 cwt 10 sh unpd</p>	<p>William Lawrence Brought 50 Weight Rye Meal from Nagles for Me to Day. I got of Nagel; 10 shillings Unpaid since paid</p>
<p>12 Some description of the Snow ox hurt A Severe Winter as yet</p>	<p>The vast body of Snow on the Ground now and for a long time has been, Makes it almost impossible to penetrate it outside the broken Road; it is immensely deep, and especially so on Account of the Snow being mixed with hail and some Rain at the ending of each snow, or some hail throughout, and then severe cold, on the top is a Small crust, then About 8 inches under the top it almost will bear an Ox and quite underneath is Another crust, so that it is very bad to go out of the beaten Road. My One Ox Buck is much injured &c, untill Yet it is a Severe Winter</p>
<p>Rain 13 Ice on trees</p>	<p>Rains Some this Morning and has last Night, the trees are all laden with Ice, and every thing exposed is Glazed with Ice, soon thawed off, the trees grows colder at Night</p>

1836	Momento
Feb. 13 Drew Deed	I finished Drawing Deed from Herbert Gesner to trustees of School district No. 1
Gracy 13 Sick	Gracy quite Sick in bed to Day, her stomach very sore, continues to be tormented with some Animal or Animals on her Stomach and throat
Sabbath 14 Cold	Overcast and cold all Day Wind NW, towards Night extremely cold and mostly clear
Pr. Mg. 14 Jon Law.	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences, he, sally, and Jacob are still at New York, at the Meeting I, Wheeler, Margaret, Lucy, Rachel Gravestine, Eley and rest of family and George Gesner
Geo L 14 came from NY	George Lawrence and Wife came up from New York
Mond 15	Clear, a Cold haziness on the Sky, the Wind SW, An enormous Cold this Morning, Midday it moderates a little
Herbt. to 15 Hoboken	Herbert to Hoboken, with his Sleigh and horse, took Nicholas Concklin and Phebe Van Wickle and boy down for 20 shillings
Leonard 15 Beasley fastens Gates &c	Leonard Beasley last week nailed the Gates, John Willse broke the Nails Away, last friday or Saturday Leonard put a chain round the Barn Gate and locked it, John unhinged the Gate and lift it round

1836	Momento
Feb. 15 Sunday work Old Sam Young Sam	Old Sam Sneden and his son Sam I was told came up Yesterday on Sabbath Morning and put the Gate on the Hinges Again and Another chain, each chain Locked, pad locks, thus prohibiting John Willse from his reserved Right till 1st of May next &c &c
16	Clear, Cold but not severe, Nice winters day, Clouds from Westward
Drew 16 Mortgage &c Step Parsel unpaid paid	I Drew a bond and mortgage for Stephen Parsel to George Mann for 100 Dollars, he fetched them next Day 9 shillings unpaid, paid
Snow 17	Thickened up by 9 last Night, Snows this morning from the Right quarter, snows hard from NE by N, snow all Day till in the evening about 7 or 8 o'clock about 4 or 5 Inches, very Cold throughout the Day
Henry 17 cut &c 2 or 3 hours	Henry cut the big Black oak down in Mountain, left 24 feet for Rails, it buried in the Deep Snow, he cut near 2 loads between 2 and 3 Hours. I fetched 1 load, he was gone when I came with Oxen
Ja Ges 17 came home	Jacob Gesner came up from New York, Rode as far as Jay's, Walked from there, bitter cold snowy walk, went down 29 January

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<p data-bbox="290 289 378 317">Feb. 18</p> <p data-bbox="198 709 378 779">Feb 20 Jo. Willse bk</p>	<p data-bbox="431 289 1365 359">Immensely cold last Night and this Morning, Clear all day and cold, Midday moderate cold</p> <p data-bbox="492 478 743 506">Rest of page missing</p> <p data-bbox="431 709 976 737">John Willse and Wife, back from long Island</p> <p data-bbox="483 825 735 852">Rest of page missing</p>

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<p data-bbox="290 1077 378 1104">Feb. 22</p> <p data-bbox="198 1199 378 1339">22 Stephen Parsel Oxen</p> <p data-bbox="198 1388 378 1457">6 sh when paid not paid</p> <p data-bbox="198 1545 378 1797">22 In David Parsel Abuse Herbt. Herbt. hurt his leg in ex treme Misery</p>	<p data-bbox="431 1077 1398 1146">Clear and Moderate this Morning, no Clouds, the first warm pleasant Day this winter, Yesterday was a Moderate day</p> <p data-bbox="431 1199 1414 1493">Stephen Parsel Oxen from just after 12 till in the Night, fetched 2 Loads big loads from the Srote of boards, the first he said 80 boards, The Second 30 plank and 20 boards or 20 plank and 30 Boards, he must have drove hard, they were back with the 2nd load at Big House just after the Sun set; but must leave the team there and go to Herberts to drink, and quite a dispute. I heard that he had drove the Oxen under the lash very hard which I told him at Herbert's. I left them disputing about it and went, I and Bill Dobbs, took the load down to the place, came home with the team quite in evening, not less than 6 shillings</p> <p data-bbox="431 1545 1430 1755">The crotchet under Herberts Arm, being crowded by David Parsel, Slipped over the floor in the Shop and fell on the stump of his leg which is cut off just below the Knee and hurt it very Much, he did not mind it much for a While, but before Midnight was in the most severe pain, the Doctor was sent for who was fearful of its terminating in the lock Jaw, the extreme pain he suffered all night is indescribable, poor sufferer</p>

NOTE: One meaning for "crotchet" is a hook or hooked instrument. Perhaps as a shopkeeper Herbert had a hook he used to reach some merchandise. It could also be Nicholas's word for "crutch."

1836	Momento
<p>Feb. 22 Young and old Sam Sneden quarrelling at Herbts. in liquor</p>	<p>Old and young Sam Sneden with Leonard Beasley, I am credibly informed, were very Groggy at Herberts before Evening, next to fighting with Abe Post, Jim Bogert said 2 on one was too Many, pulled off his coat and declared if Sam Young Sneden called him a liar, he might go to a Meeting on his Knees with two Black eyes, this seemed to cool their Sam and Sam and Leonards Rage, at the Moment when Jim Made this speech, the Old Side circuit Preacher and his Wife passed by in a Sleigh Mary Ann told me and others. The Devil is hard at Work!</p>
<p>23</p>	<p>Overcast all Day, wind Easterly and not cold, looks for Rain; but did not, partly clear at 9 PM</p>
<p>Herbt. 23 full of pain</p>	<p>Herbert bad, excessively full of pain all Night see the 22. And very full yet all Day, a little easy in the Evening</p>
<p>At Herbts. 23 unpaid</p>	<p>At Herberts 3 1/2 lb Wheat flour 1 shilling 4 pence And one Codfish Weight 7 lb unpaid</p>
<p>Woodruff 23 Pd. J. Law.</p>	<p>Woodruff Preached at Jonathan Lawrences to Night from Genesis the Middle clause "Come then and all thy house into the Ark" to about 18 or 20. I think an excellent good discourse. Emaline and Juliet there, Sang most beautifully</p>

1836	Momento
<p>Feb. 23 Emaline & Juliet beautiful singing &c</p>	<p>These 2 Girls of Phebe Sneden are an Ornament in Any Society where Singing is performed Gracy, and Jacob Gesners Wife Sick, not there. Jon Lawrence and Jacob Gesner at New York, Lucy not there, Margaret not there, George Lawrence and Wife there, Isaac Wheeler and Wife and Daughter there. Peggy and Henry there. Eley there &c — Went up with Woodruffs Sleigh, self Peggy Concklin, little Maria</p>
<p>Leonard 23 B. Notice &c</p>	<p>John Willse Received Notice from Leonard Beasley to Day to move out of the house in 10 Days time And a Summons Served for &c</p>
<p>24 Rain</p>	<p>Looks for Rain this Morning, About 9 AM begins to Rain, and continues to Rain more or less all Day, not cold, grew cold late to Night wind changed</p>
<p>Herbt. 24 full of pain Grady there oxen Wm. Ges. came up</p>	<p>Herbert very bad this Afternoon with his leg injured, see 22nd Instant. Gracy there to Day with Oxen. George Gesner to old Tappan with the Oxen for Hay William Gesner came up home from New York last evening, he got word early Yesterday that Herbert his father was hurt immediately came up he brought Gracy home Sleigh Dusk</p>
<p>24 Cold ceased from &c</p>	<p>Bad Going Rain, I did not Go to Slote to Meeting. Theo House here and his jumper Sleigh. From last Saturday till yet the cold has ceased, this Night grows very cold.</p>

1836	Momento
Feb. 25	Blustering from NW and quite cold Again, wind changed late last Night, squally this Morning, nearly clear but cold, the going will be bad I expect
Eley 25 Mary L.	Eley and Mary Lawrence here this evening
Snow 26 circle round Moon last Nt.	Thick overcast this Morning cold; begins to Snow About 8 AM, Snows hard very cold Wind NE by N last Night large circle round Moon it snows all Day and Cold, snows in the Evening, this snow About 6 Inches
Herbt. 26 pain	Herbert continues full of pain in his lame leg see 22 nd Instant
Gracy 26 ill &c	Gracy is much troubled with Some living Animal on her Stomach, wears her down a long time already, best part of a Year
2 lambs 26 Died &c	On Sabbath Morning the 21st Instant my ewe had twins, she paid no regard to them, they both died within 24 Hours. She seemed staggering and weak
2 More 26 Lambs	Night before last My black ewe a white lamb Owned it and last Night Another White Ewe had a lamb Owned it
27	Cold, clear this Morning and a cold day

1836	Momento
Feb. 27 Much snow on Ground	Great Body of Snow on the Ground, good Sleigh Riding a Hard Winter
Paid 27 David Brower	I Paid David Brower for Sawing at his mill 1 pound 10 shillings 2 pence in full of all Accounts and 1 shillings 10 pence to him for Rires on Serving summons. I had Herberts Sleigh William Lawrence Went Along
Herbt. by 27 turns pain	Herbert alternately full of pain
Sabbath 28	Clear and Moderately Cold all Day excellent Sleigh Riding
Pr. Mg. 28 Jon Law.	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning. Lucy, Wheeler and wife, Rachel Gravestine, Eley who works there Myself and family composed the Meeting Sally home
Herbt. 28 easier	Herbert easier to Day
28 M. Episcopal Minister went with Zeb Accused Sam Sneden	The Old Side Minister having discovered the unchristian conduct see 22nd Instant, shortly after he with Zeb Woolsey Went and took them to Account, Young Sam challenged the Minister why he had not been to Lawrence Mann for he went no Where hardly but got Drunk and David Anderwine had cheated him out of a large Sum of Money and Jerry Smith out of his summers Work almost and Besides kept back 5 loads of stone Boat load; Joe Dubois present told Sam

1836	Momento
<p>Feb. 28 Sam Sneden Junr. Asked the Minister why he did not take Law. Mann, Jesse Tr. & Anderwine to do also Joe Dubois Snow 29</p>	<p>to tell the Minister of one More of the 3 following, Joe reminded Sam of which I dont know , so Sam went to the Minister and exposed the 3rd. The exposure of crimes made by Young Sam Sneden was Lawrence Mann for Getting drunk &c Anderwine for cheating himself Sam and one of his Neighbors Jerry Smith and Jesse Trenchard for Shoing Horses on Sunday But Joe Dubois ought to have told Sam also about himself lowering the tonage Mark a lack a da! NB The Minister went down to Sam Snedens; Joe cheated Jacob Gesner in Selling wood last Winter, Joe did not tell this to Sam &c</p>
<p>Stephen 29 paid me 1 10 sh o p in full</p>	<p>Looks for Snow and cold this Morning, begins to Snow 9 AM and Snows hard from NE by N, continues to Snow till Mid Afternoon, then some fine Hail, at Night Rains some, Wind more NE</p>
<p>Stephen 29 paid me 1 10 sh o p in full</p>	<p>Stephen Parsels to Day paid me in full for use of Oxen and Writing Bond and Mortgage from him to George Mann see 16th Instant. I Received 1 10 shillings 0 pence and Receipted the bill</p>
<p>Pomp 29 wood</p>	<p>Let Pompey have 1 load wood he cut it, I took My Oxen and helped him load Mountain unpaid Say 8 shillings paid I say paid but not all</p>
<p>Corn 29 Shelled</p>	<p>Alfred Shelled Corn to Day for Mill</p>
<p>Margaret 29</p>	<p>Margaret Smith here and son Robert last evening</p>

1836	Momento
<p>March 1 did Rain & Freeze</p>	<p>Overcast this Morning, has Rained last Night, trees and fences and all exposed is nothing but a thick Glaze of Ice; trees are laden &c, thaws the ice falls</p>
<p>Potatoes 1 lent Margaret pd back</p>	<p>Lent Margaret Smith 1 Bushel potatoes ie 1/2 Bushel of White and 1/2 Bushel pink eyes, her 2 boys fetched them with Little sled paid back</p>
<p>Herbt 1 better</p>	<p>Herbert a little better</p>
<p>Wed 2</p>	<p>Clear and cold this Morning, Squally to day from the NW and very cold with a little snow by turns</p>
<p>2 Bad getting Wood hard crust</p>	<p>Extremely bad getting in the woods. The Snow very thick: the Snow, hail and a little Rain a few times during the Winter and the excessive cold, has Made particularly one very Strong crust about 10 Inches under the top, almost Strong enough to bear a team and not quite, breaks through cuts their feet and Wallowing in it. The cakes of Ice 6 Inches thick renders it excessively bad, or almost impossible to get Wood</p>
<p>Wood dear at NY & Riding across River</p>	<p>Wood is immensely high at New York, 6 and 7 per load Oak and 8 and 10 for Nut wood I'm told. River Shut, it has however with difficulty been able to cross at New York almost every Day NB from Nyack to Tarry town riding across some time and Yet; So little Rain last fall and winter the River Water very Salt prevents freezing as it would &c</p>

1836	Momento
<p>March 3</p> <p>Herbt. worse 3 with pain</p> <p>4</p> <p>4</p> <p>Leonard Beasley's suit Against John Willsey ungrounded poor income &c</p>	<p>Wheeler and Wife and Elizabeth here to see Gracy to Day</p> <p>Herbert worse to Day, full of pain inside of his injured knee left</p> <p>Clear and very Handsome all Day. This Day is very nice and the most pleasant since the Commencement of the snow in November last</p> <p>The trial this Afternoon between Leonard Beasley and John Willse, the Justice Requiring the time by Law given him to give Judgment A few Days After gave it, to Leonard Beasley 6 shillings for the Stone John Willsey had taken off and 6 shillings cost, NB These stone previous to selling the land to Beasley intended for Break stone, And Willse offered (Willse said) to pay Leonard before any difficulty existed to pay him and Leonard Beasley said, it was no Matter about them Stone; but this suit had not its origin in them stone; but entirely in other worthless Matters, And by every one is considered the effects of mere ungrounded prejudice, Leonard had Lawyer Fraser and likely paid him 5 , a poor income 6 shillings for much trouble and expense and all without exception except his relation but speaks Against The Conduct, it certainly Appears from every circumstance that Willsey intended nothing but what was consistent with this contract &c &c</p>
1836	Momento
<p>March 4</p> <p>Phebe 4 Sneden & Girls here</p> <p>Herbt. 4 ill</p> <p>5</p> <p>Mt. Pt. 5 Quarterly Meeting I, Mary Law, & Eley Westervelt went up &c</p>	<p>Mary Ann Gesner to New York with George Gesner, back just in evening, brought sugar and other Groceries</p> <p>Phebe Sneden and her Daughters Emaline and Juliet here this Afternoon, William Lawrence My Mare Herberts Sleigh fetched them in the Morning, Ate Dinner at Sally's, tea with us. William took them back in Evening</p> <p>Herbert bad Yesterday, better to Day</p> <p>Clear and handsome this Morning and all Day</p> <p>I Eley Westervelt and Mary Lawrence Went up from Rockland this Morning, Attended all the Meetings. Brother J. K. Witsel and Brother Woodruff the only Preachers employed, Brother Hobbs, George Wyant, James Wood, Walter Smith. Brother Corris, Brother Bull &c there. Brother Witsel Preached Saturday Morning from a goodly number, a very excellent Sermon, truly a good and Systematic one at Night He also Preached from And Sabbath Morning to Very large Congregation the</p>

1836	Momento
<p>March 6 Clear Mornng. Aft. And at Nt. overcast</p> <p>Excellent Sermons</p>	<p>House Crowded also full last Night, these 3 Sermons were delivered with energy in the Spirit, in a Style both learned, beautiful and Simplified and Applied to the heart and consciences of the Congregation, And in a Manner that could not escape reaching every heart; In all of Which Jesus Christ was held forth under the Various types, Shadows &c as the only High priest, the Captain of our Salvation and our head; Many tear Ran down Many Cheeks, in the various application of the different parts of the subject as he passed along. These Sermons could but be cordially Received by every honest Mind, being founded on the Strongest and Most decisive plane of reasoning. Brother Woodruff Preached Sabbath Evening, from the Subject of the 2 Men, one Wise and the other foolish Building their houses &c held Prayer Meeting Afterwards, his Mourners came forward, there were quite a large Congregation out May not these labours be lost; but as bread cast on the Waters &c</p> <p>We came Back After Night Meeting, got back to Sally's 12 o'clock at Night, My horse and Herberts Sleigh</p>
<p>Money Matters Settled</p>	<p>NB The Quarterly Conference decided on the Settling of Pierson Sallary for the time he had Preached on the Circuit; Brother Woods and Wyant had Advanced the Money, and finally they had to bear the burden Mostly — Rockland had paid 7 Dollars and 7 More was laid to them. Makes 14 for their whole part.</p>

1836	Momento
March 6 Lords Supper	At this Quarterly Meeting the Lords Supper Was Administered to About 40 or 50. Eley and Mary joined in the Communion
7	Clear and not very cold this Morning and Still not warm all Day
Ja Ges came up	7 Jacob Gesner came up from New York last Saturday Afternoon with Stage from Hoboken to Tappan, not very well
Woodruff here	7 Woodruff down, came near Sun set with horse and Sleigh, Stay'd with us &c
Tuesday 8	Overcast this Morning and Snows some, plenty cold for Snow, Good Sleigh riding
Wood high 8 at N York	Wood at New York very high a long time, Oak 5 or 6 Dollars per load, and nut 7 or 8
Channel 8 open at Snedens &c Ride Across at Slote Nyack, &c Cattle dies	Channel open as high as Snedens Landing nearly all Winter, the Water very Salt, no freshage last fall nor this past Winter is no Doubt the reason At Slote, Nyack they Ride Across yet. Fodder very high and Many Cattle dying About in the country, Starving to death

1836	Momento
<p>March 8 Woodruff Pd. Jon Law.</p>	<p>Woodruff Preached at Jon Lawrences to Night from 1 Epistle General of John 2 Chapter 15th Verse "Love not the world &c" to about 25 or 30, a good and Attentive Meeting. Jacob Gesner and Wife, Gracy, self, Rachel Gravestine, Wheeler, Wife and Daughter Elizabeth, George Lawrence but not his Wife there besides Many others, a very good discourse and afterwards Prayer Meeting Jon Lawrence at New York</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>Clear and a Nice Day, all Day, thaws</p>
<p>Geo. Ges. 9 drew wood with Herbts. horse &c</p>	<p>George Gesner drew with Herberts Horse and Sled 4 times to the flat. My Oxen twice with Nut cord Wood George Gesner cut</p>
<p>9 Woodruff Preached at Slote</p>	<p>Woodruff Preached at Slote to Night to about 20 or 25 from Matthew 7 and 13 Verse "Enter ye" &c, not so good a Discourse as last Night at Jonathan Lawrences, a Strict Attention given — from Rockland 2 Sleighs, Woodruffs and Horse, My Horse and Herberts Sleigh, Jacob Gesner Sick had taken Sweat. I, Jacob Gesners wife and Mistress Cooper, self in Herberts Sleigh; Sally, Eley, Mary and William in Woodruffs —</p>
<p>Rain 10</p>	<p>Overcast forenoon, Rains hard all Afternoon. Roads very Watery</p>
<p>Geo. Ges. 10 helped</p>	<p>George Gesner helped me draw from under the hill 2 Jags cord Wood, Pompey cut, we cut a little, drew it to the house one load, William Lawrence took the other to School House. This just before it Rained.</p>

1836	Momento
March 11	Cloudy and cold, Wind Westward this Morning, more clear Afternoon Roads Icy, cold
Horse of 11	Yesterday Alfred took Woodruffs Horse and Sleigh up to Phebe Snedens —
Woodruffs &c	
Paid Pedlar 11	Paid Pedlar 9 shillings 6 pence in full, see January 30
yesterday	
very cold 12	Immensely Cold last Night and clear this Morning And all Day, a real cold Day,
hard crust	Ice froze thick in the house, a very hard crust on the great body of Snow, and
Icy	very Icy occasioned by the late Rain and Severe cold
12	
Depth of	The Snow has settled some with Rain but has been as much as 3 feet Deep great
Snow	part of the Winter, January and February and is now 2 feet
Snow deep	At Goshen any Where on a level 4 feet deep a fortnight or 3 Weeks Ago, credibly
Westward	informed by Abraham Vervalen to the Westward and at and Above Albany, said
at Albany	from letter 8 or 9 feet Deep Distress here and every Where for fodder
Sally 12	
small load	Let Sally have Small load Ash wood, Henry Concklin Cut it, My oxen Drew it,
Wood	Alfred and William Lawrence
Snow 13	
	Clear, some Hazy and cold this Morning, cold last Night, overcast at Night and
	Snows, wind SE yet cold
Pr. Mt. 13	
Jon Law.	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning, Jacob Gesner and Wife,
	I, Margaret, Rachel Gravestine, Lucy, Eley and family there Jon Lawrence at
	New York

1836	Momento
<p>May 8 Ja Ges & Wife came up from NY</p>	<p>Yesterday Jacob Gesner and Betsy his wife came up from New York, they went down together the 4th of April see the 9th and 14th of April last Jacob Gesner once up since she was there, she came up Yesterday with him She has been gone from here from April 4th till May 7th</p>
<p>Paid 8 John Willse in full</p>	<p>Yesterday I paid John Willse 4 dollars for 4 hundred weight of Hay I had of him being in full. See April the 14th last</p>
<p>Paid 8 Garry Jacox</p>	<p>Yesterday I paid Garry Jacox 4 shillings 6 pence in full for near 1 1/2 Days Work see the 5th and 6th</p>
<p>Sabbath 8</p>	<p>Overcast, Raw cold this Morning, the sun comes through in Afternoon</p>
<p>Obb Made 8 2 keys & paid</p>	<p>Yesterday Obb Cooper made 2 keys for steers ox Yoke at 6 pence each = 1 shilling, sent him the Money with Alfred</p>
<p>Pr. Mt. 8 Jon Law</p>	<p>Prayer Meeting Jon Lawrences this Morning, Margaret, Rachel Gravestine, Lucy, Mistress Cooper, Gracy, Peggy Concklin and Self and family was all that was there Jacob Gesner and Wife was home but not there Jon Lawrence at New York</p>
<p>Ja Ges 8 to NY</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner Went to New York again, took steam boat over River this Afternoon, his Wife stay'd home</p>

1836	Momento
May 9	Clear and cool in Morning, warm Midday, nice Day
9	I went and collected to Day for School House
gave Wm 9 Law. 2 sh &c Gave to Sally for Sug. for me	I gave William Lawrence 2 shillings for knitting 2 sets Nets little enough I gave Sally 6 shillings for William Lawrence to get Molasses Sugar for me at Taulmans
10	Clear and a handsome Day, Wind SW
Collected 10 for Sch. Ho.	I Collected of Johnny Lawrence to Day for school House 5.50 in part of his tax
Alfred 10 Run away the 2nd time I wrote letter came back &c	Sunday the 8th While I and Gracy was at Meeting, Alfred Run away the second time by land to fort Lee, went New York I Wrote his father a letter yesterday by Isaac Wheeler. To Day he came back ordered home here by his father
Paid 10 to Trustees 115 Dollars	This Evening I paid Money collected in Herberts and John Willseys hand for School House 115 Dollars. I took their Receipts, now left in my hands 7.19
1836	Momento
May 10 at Larry's pd	At Larry Snedens 1 1/2 Bushels fine salt, 7 shillings 6 pence paid, sent towards Night by Alfred, he was just come back from New York
Jerry 10 Oxen	Jerry Smith Oxen 1/3 Day ploughing
Shad 10 of Michael	And with My Waggon and oxen, brought 32 Shad of Michael Hyams on Nets and Poles, Michael Had of Me, I agreed for 72 see April 21st
Herbts. 10 Paper paid	At Herberts Sunday the 8th evening 1/2 Quire paper 1 shilling Paid
11	Clear and cool this Morning, a very nice Day
Drew 11 Foundation Stone Sch. House Settled	I with my oxen and Henry Willse drew break stone and Herberts Waggon from Jacob Posts back field, for foundation of New School House And with a drag drew from the Old Wall some large ones for bottom stone. Drew 5 loads of Break stone in forenoon and 2 in Afternoon, to Day all this Settled
Raised 11	Raised the frame of the New school House Rest of page missing

1836	Momento
May 11 tax of A. Clark	Received of Abraham Clark his tax for School House this Morning 29.61
Sally 11 to N. Y.	Sally to New York to Day
12	Partly overcast this Morning, not cold, clear before 10 AM, warm, wind Southwesterly, near Sun set a Scud from S by E
12 Catharine Willsey Married to Day to Daniel Vervalen those that were there & not there &c	12 Daniel Vervalen and Catharine Willsey Married this Afternoon between 4 and 5 o'clock by Reverend Cole of Tappan; this was really a decent Wedding, Daniels Father and Mother there, Herbert Gesner and Mary Ann his Wife there, Dans Sister and Brother there, Adolphus Mabies Daughter there, Myself and Gracy there &, Mr. Cole and the family; directly after the Marriage knot was laid, a Glass of Wine and pound cake was handed Round, a little after a good Supper About 6 PM of fowl pie, Roast meat, pop and Apple pye &c but neither Jacob Post nor his wife was there, Although Asked Rest of the page missing

1836	Momento
May 13	Overcast this Morning, wind Southward and warm, in Afternoon Wind Northward and cold, wind perhaps NW with cold black clouds
Blossom 13 opens	The Apple tree Blossoms begin now to open
Hay of 13 Jacob Post his Sch. Ho tax	Got of Jacob Post About 2 hundred weight Hay this Afternoon, I considered it on the Many Days use of My Oxen, to Day I Received his school House Tax 32.60.
H. Conck. 13 quit fishing	Henry Concklin quit fishing for James Quidor at New York today, came home; Peggy not Home, went Tuesday or Wednesday last to Jordans also quite to New Dock, with her girl. Henry saw her at New Dock
Frost 14	A white frost this Morning, cold, clear cool all Day, ground grows dry, Herberts beans frozen
Garden 14 made &c	Made Beds in Garden and planted bush Beans, and sowed and planted the beds
Rec tax 14 of Ja Post & pd over to Herbt.	Jacob Post paid me his School House tax yesterday 32.60 And I paid over the same yesterday to Herbert Gesner trustee and took his Receipt therefore
Ja Ges 14 came home	Jacob Gesner came up from New York this Afternoon but Jon and Sally are there
Wedding 14 at Vervalens	Catherine Willsey's Wedding grandly held yesterday at her Husbands Fathers house at Vervalens, the tanners near Slote

1836	Momento
May 14 Obb Oxen Mended Spade pd &c	Obb had My Oxen to Draw 2 loads brush some Days Ago; 3 or 4 Days Ago he fixed My post Spade and said that would Make it Right for this use of Oxen Which was 1 shilling pd
Obb 14 oxen	Obb Oxen this Afternoon plough and Harrow, not paid, a Half Day, got them near 2 PM and Worked till day light near off —
cold 15	Cold, I have not discovered frost this Morning but there May have been, Sky thinly clouded, wind from the Westward
No Pr. 15 Meetg. at J.L. to Day Ja Ges to N.Y. 16	No Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences to Day, I and Gracy went up, Clark had just been there but Went to Old side Meeting, no one else there. Jon and Sally at New York, and Jacob Gesner went down Again to Day to New York nearly Clear all Day, wind very drying from SW and very warm all Day, near night partly overcast
Garden 16	Finished Making Garden to Day
Wynechey 16 Washed pd 2 sh on it	Wynechey Cooper washed for Gracy to Day, She asked 3 shillings. I paid her 2 shillings on it

1836	Momento
May 17	Clear and a Very warm day, but Dry, wind SW
Cose 17 3/4 Day pd	Cose Cooper helped about 3/4 day, stone and drove Oxen, I ploughed by the barn old Peach Orchard, paid
Peter 17 Brush here for My opinion	Peter Brush here, had been to Surrogates for a Copy of John Smith's Will, his first wifes Father, had made Nothing to his first children by his Daughter, He Brush seemed of opinion that he could break the Will; but I Read the Copy, and I think the Will is good as to its legality, although cruel to his Grand children
Steers 17 in yoke	Young steers first time in Yoke this evening —
Woodruff 17 down	Woodruff down to Sally's, William brought his horse here this Afternoon
Woodruff 17 Pd. Jon L. to Night the 2nd time since conference	Woodruff Preached at Jonathan Lawrences to Night on the "Gospel a rich treasure" 2 Corinthians. The verse I do not recollect, a few present, namely Margaret, Lucy, Eley, Mistress Cooper, Gracy, Peggy Concklin, Phebe Van Wickle and Nauty Cooper, Elizabeth Sneden, Chambers, Myself, 2 or 3 More besides family and some boys, but Jon Lawrence, Sally and Jacob Gesner at New York, good discussion

1836	Momento
<p>May 18 Hail, rain, little thunder</p>	<p>Sky Hazy this Morning, Warm, About 4 PM Some Hail and Rain, and some thunder, ground being Dry, has done some good</p>
<p>Cose 18 Worked Paid in full 6 sh</p>	<p>Cose Cooper about 3/4 Day Again blasting Rocks, helped draw them off. I paid him in full for the 3/4 Yesterday and also for the 3/4 to Day, that is 6 shillings in full</p>
<p>Powder 18 of Larry paid</p>	<p>Yesterday a 1/4 lb of Powder and to Day 1/2 lb of Larry Sneden, Alfred got it paid in full</p>
<p>Woodruff 18 did not Preach at Slote &c</p>	<p>Woodruff Did not Preach at Slote last night, Stay'd at Sally's to Night, It appears he is discouraged, because so few come to his Meetings</p>
<p>19</p>	<p>Clear, Somewhat Smoaky Sky, Moderately Warm all Day, near sun set could look at the sun, being Smoaky</p>
<p>Ploughed 19</p>	<p>Ploughed in old Peach Orchard by Barn</p>
<p>Woodruff 19 Went Away</p>	<p>Woodruff came here from Sally's early, Ate Breakfast, went Away About 10 AM with his horse</p>
<p>on calling 19 Special M. P. General Conference</p>	<p>Much controversy in the paper Methodist Protestant on calling or not calling a Special Meeting of the General Conference: some hard talk</p>

1836	Momento
May 20	Clear but Smoaky, the sun rises in Smoak, can look him full in the face this Morning, Wind cool from the eastward Ground Dry
Eley 20 moved &c	Eley Westervelt has Hired the House and lot of Joshua Martin near the living Spring of water Snedens Hill, and Moved
21	Clear, Smoaky, warm very Warm all Day
Obb Oxen 21 no charge but to do some &c	Yesterday Obb Oxen, not long perhaps 2 or 3 Hours. I told him he could do some small job for Me
Ja Ges 21 came up	Jacob Gesner came up from New York this Afternoon, talks of Moving down
Jon & Sally 21 At N.Y. Steam boat not Finished	Jonathan Lawrence and Sally there yet; the Steam boat Jonathan is building there is not yet Launched, it appears for want of a fuller tide
22 Whitsunday	Clear Warm and Dry, in the Afternoon wind smart from SW, towards Night gets to be Overcast, wind eastward, looks for Rain; it is much needed
Pr. Mg. 22 Jon Law.	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning. Margaret, Lucy, Rachel Gravestine, Self and family there Jacob Gesner and wife not there, he is home Jon Lawrence and Sally at New York

1836	Momento
May 23	Foggy and very still this Morning, breaks away About 10 o'clock AM, then warm till evening Wind SW not High
<p>23 Jacob Gesner Moved to New York &c Boards Joe Dubois</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner and Elizabeth his wife moved to Day about 11 o'clock AM from my house to New York, took all his furniture and things, with a few exceptions; 2 Waggon loads, my Waggon and Oxen, and Leonard Beasely's oxen and John G Concklins Waggon to Snedens landing, went on board the Steam boat Orange. He Jacob Gesner works in the Ship yards east River, he has Hired in Water Street, his wife went freely; but still would Rather have stay'd in the country &c. I had no Wish they should Move Brought back boards for Joe Dubois</p>
<p>Sch. tax 23 of Larry Rec. &c of Zeb of Josh. M.</p>	<p>I Received to Day 16 Dollars and 30 cents of Larry Sneden being for his school House tax and his Mothers together Received of Zeb in post 3 Dollars 8 cents Received of Joshua Martin 0.99 cents</p>
<p>Storm 24 Rain</p>	<p>Looks for a Storm this Morning, Wind Northeasterly, Drissels and Rains a little in the Afternoon, wind Rises in Evening and Rains, a Raw cold NE Storm. The ground was very Dry</p>

1836	Momento
May 24 Bond and Mortgage from Ja. Conck. to Will. Sneden paid me	Drew a Bond and Mortgage from Jacob Concklin son of David of the city of New York of 100 to William Sneden on property at Nyack, a Small lot adjoining the School lot &c, he paid me 5 shillings in full, he brought a printed form of a Mortgage, I filled it out, he paid me
Rain 25	Overcast this Morning, Raw, Rained last Night quite some overcast all Day
Sally & J.L. 25 not home yet	Sally and Jonathan Lawrence still at New York
25 old David Mann Ask where they was going to put the Pulpit in new Sch. House he feels mortified &c	Henry Concklin said this Evening that David Mann Senior had been at the New School House enquiring "Where they the Workmen was going to set the pulpit. There was one at Jonathan Lawrences" This he said no doubt shamingly at Reform. He wished that the trustees should have taken a lot opposite, of him for 50 Dollars with the Restriction that no Meetings or no preaching should be kept in it. The trustees declined it and the district generally concluded that it was their right to allow or disallow preaching as they would pay for it and the Right to prevent Meetings not to belong to one individual David Mann So the trustees took Jacob Posts lot for 20 nearly opposite, thus the Old side bigotry, bursts out in abuse, much trouble because they are cut short of that right. NB When the devil gets hold of Mens excess of wisdom, he makes havock of the Whole. He must be Mortified

1836	Momento
May 26	Still overcast this Morning, Wind lightly NE but dont Rain, all Day overcast
Old Goose 26 hatched	the Old Goose was sot the 21st of April see the 24th April She began to hatch this 22 of May, hatched unevenly, has only 6 out of 12 eggs
Young 26 Goose &c	The Young Goose was sot the 25th of April, begins to hatch this Morning
Rain 27	Storm increases, wind Easterly, with some Rain this Morning, some last Night, Drissels and rains a little all Day
Jon. L. & 27 Sally bk	Sally and Jonathan Lawrence came up from New York yesterDay, Sally went down the 11th Instant and back yesterday
Recd. of 27 D. Tallman sch. Ho. tax	Received of David Tallman to Day his school House tax 26.61
27	Got of Jacob Post 2 shillings Worth of Hay, good hay for Mare paid
Young 27 Colt came	My Mare had a young colt, 25th, put her in Stable the night of the 24th Instant and Wednesday Morning the 25th Instant she had folled, a lively colt standing by her in the Stable, a Horse colt

1836	Momento
May 28	Still overcast, Drizzling Rain, light wind Eastwardly in the Morning, About 9 AM the Drizzling ceases; but overcast all Day
<p data-bbox="181 359 407 420">28</p> <p data-bbox="181 420 407 588">Trouble in John Isemans Will Witnesses a Rasure since Execution by Who Made its effect before Surrogate Lawyers</p>	<p data-bbox="407 359 1443 588">The Witnesses to the Will of John Iseman being summoned; Appeared at Oblenis's Tavern and Store at Clarkstown, and at the corner of the turnpike from Nyack, before John Vanhouten, Surrogate, Lawyer Fraser for the Heirs Ann Maria Wife of D. Tallman and Catharine Wife of Peter Tallman, And Lawyer Blanch for James Iseman</p> <p data-bbox="407 588 1443 630">Mistress Pierce was also Summoned</p> <p data-bbox="407 630 1443 1050">On this Will was a Rasure Made, which Was proven by Myself who had drawn the Will not on it when executed but made since its execution; before Myself Jacob J Ackerson and Edward Briggs Witnesses to said Will; The 2 legacies of each 300 as Made to Ann Maria and Catharine Was Rased out with Black lead pencil To Which Mistress Pierce being Sworn said that she had done it by the Request of Iseman; but not immediately when requested but a few Days Afterwards Fraser shewed that the Surrogate could by no Means record the Will with the Rasure on it, for the Sworn Witnesses were not Witnesses to the Rasure, and Hence he could record the Will as it Originally was at the time of Execution, And by law that no Alteration shall be Made Without all the formalities of executing a Will</p> <p data-bbox="407 1050 1443 1236">The Surrogate Concluded to Record it as it was executed without the Rasure. The Writing could be seen under the Rasure made With lead pencil. It appears from Mrs. Pierce that Iseman intended to have these 2 legacies Rased out, because he had given each of them 400 in hand for which by bad Notes they were to pay 20 yearly to Iseman during his life</p>

1836	Momento
May 28 David Tallman Paid Me	David Tallman one of Executors to Isemans Will, gave me 2 shillings when subpoenaed as Witness And 4 shillings in our Return to Day from the Surrogate, see the last page
Jon Law 28 Bk	Jonathan Lawrence went down yesterday, back this Afternoon
	29 Still overcast this Morning, very little wind, Rainy at 9 AM and Rains a little all Day
Abba 29 Gwefes	Abba Gwefes came up Yesterday
Pr. Mg. Jon Law	29 Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning. Mistress Cooper, Lucy, Rachel Gravestine, Gracy and self, there, Jon L and Sally both there and family Jacob Gesner and Wife is Moved to New York And Henry Concklin and wife not there, and Margaret not there; it Rained too hard to bring her child along a good little Meeting
Rainy 30	Still Rainy, Overcast, wind Eastward this Morning, stops drizzling about 9 AM. Raw cold and Overcast all Day, wind continues Eastward
Stone 30 Taken off	This Morning quit taking stone off the lot in upper field Yard; last week, with 7 loads this Morning took off 125 loads, some very heavy &c
Hen 30 Conck	Henry Concklin helped me of his own accord this Afternoon Mend Orchard cross fence an hour or 1 1/2
Cold 31	Cold, Cloudy and Hazy, very cold, Wind NNE
Cose 31	Cose came to work, little late, quit early, long noon Spell; 3/4 Day, paid on it 2 shillings cider 6 pence

1836	Momento
<p>May 31</p> <p>Cose 31 worked 3/4 Day Paid</p> <p>Woodruff 31 down Pd. at Jon. Law. to Night</p>	<p>Cold. Cloudy and Hazy, this Morning it is a long cold Raw, overcast turn of Weather</p> <p>Cose Cooper came to plough, came not early, had long noon spell, and quit early. I gave him on his work 2 shillings and he had cider 6 pence before to Day = 2 shillings 6 pence on this work, we was square before June 2 paid in full</p> <p>Woodruff came with Horse this Afternoon to my House Preached at Jonathan Lawrences to Night from Luke 14 and part 22nd. He spoke very well indeed, good Attention paid "And the Servant said Lord it is done as thou hast commanded And Yet there is Room" There were 20 or 25 Hearers Rachel, Margaret, Lucy, Peggy Concklin, Gracy, self, Chambers, George M. Lawrence and Wife, George Gesner and Mary Ann Gesner, Eley, Mistress Cooper, Zeb's Boy And a few others and family. Jon Lawrence is home, spoke After Woodruff on the inward work of Grace and concluded the Meeting by Praying Jacob Gesner and wife is at New York. Henry Concklin not there is home at My house — Woodruff Stay'd at Jonathan Lawrences</p>
1836	Momento
<p>June 1</p> <p>Abba 1 Gwefes</p> <p>Cose 1 Ploughed paid</p> <p>Henry Willse 1 oxen &c</p> <p>I Killed 1 calf & weighed</p> <p>John Parsels 1 Helped & Sheared Sheep</p> <p>Woodruff 1 went away</p> <p>At Herberts Wt. flour paid</p>	<p>Thinly Overcast this Morning and very cold indeed, Wind About NNE</p> <p>Abba Gwefes Came with us from Meeting last night and Stay'd all Night and went down to New York to day</p> <p>Cose ploughed about a Small breakfast spell in upper field yard, and heaped about 1 load of dung in barn Yard, only a large 1/4 Day, he ate dinner and went off paid.</p> <p>John Willses's Henry had Oxen about 1/2 hour to finish ploughing his Yard, Cose there After the upper Yard was done this Morning, No charge</p> <p>I Killed My calf yesterday 5 Weeks old, the streaked back Heifers calf, sent the skin and the 4 quarters, is both the fore and hind quarters, to New York John Parsels helped no charge calf pretty good, Weighed per quarter 17 lb Sheared Sheep this Afternoon, John Parsels helped, he made no charge</p> <p>Woodruff went away about 3 o'clock PM, Ate dinner here; came here from Sallys about 9 AM, went as far as Rachel Gravestines came back. Ate dinner, went Away as above</p> <p>At Herberts last Night 7 lb Wheat flour 2 shillings 3 pence and 3 pence worth Crackers = 2 shillings 6 pence paid</p>

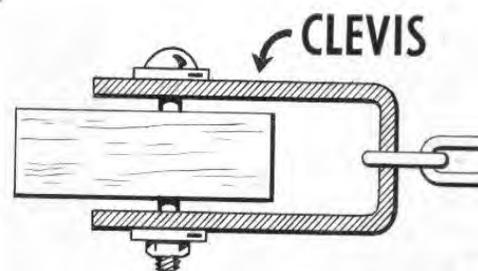
1836	Momento
June 2 Storm continues Rain	Wind NE, Stormy all Day, Rain, a tedious time, cold and Raw; Rainy and overcast Many days successively. Stormy from May 24th Instant, and Storms Still
Paid 2 Cose in full	Paid Cose Cooper 2 shillings 6 pence to day being in full to Date
Black 2 cow	Black Cow took Peter Rikers B ll
Got for 2 Calf	Return of Calf sent yesterday with Obb Cooper. Received 5.50 clear
3 Rain Storm	Looks Rainy Yet, Overcast Wind continues Eastward and Blows all the While, Stormy Afternoon Storm rises, Wind Eastward, Rains and did Rain from 7 o'clock AM this Morning, Ground very wet
Hard for 3 Goslins	Hard times for young Goslins, Raw cold and Rain
Recd. of 3 Johnny Law.	Received 5 Dollars to Day of Sally for Johnny Lawrence on his School House Tax: Now I've had of him 10.50
Rain 4 continues	Storm continues, Rain, wind still Easterly a Wet time; though the Rain is not very hard but sometimes Misty and Rain together, then Rain &c

1836	Momento
June 4 Sch. House &c	The New School House is nearly finished, 'tis painted Outside with Spanish brown
Bad 4 for corn	Bad Weather for corn that is planted
5	Rainy, Wind still NE this Morning and Continues
Pr. Mg. 5 at Jon. Law.	Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences this forenoon, Rachel Gravestine, Lucy and Myself all excepting the family Jon Lawrence is home
5 a letter From Ja Ges Betsy poorly	I Received a letter from Jacob Gesner Yesterday Afternoon stating that himself had been Well ever since he Moved down; but Betsy his wife was very ill, and still growing Worse Requested that I should particularly let her Mother Old Mistress Cooper know
6 Rain & Drissels Rains hard	Continues to Rain, Wind Northeasterly, the Sun Was seen Yesterday Afternoon a Moment through the watery Sky, the sun Moon and Stars have hardly been seen, since the 24th May last. About 12 Midday it pours down and continues all Day &c
Recd of 6 Jerry & Ben Sch Ho. tax	Received of Jerry Smith 1.48 and of him for Elizabeth Rice 1.80 and of Benjamin Gravestine 1.98 = 5.26 for School House tax

1836	Momento
June 6 Paid	I Paid to trustee William Herbert Gesner of School District No. 1 Orange Town the sum of 36.87 on School House tax
Trustees &c Corn 6 &c finished	I planted some corn, the Ground being so wet, and constant Rainy, there is no working especially with Myself, being Much Afflicted with Rheumatism, I finished planting White corn the 8 Instant in upper field Yard
Rain 7 Rains very hard sun seen	Still Stormy and Rainy, and Wind NE this morning, a discouraging time, Rains very hard till About 10 AM, the sun has been seen this Afternoon a While, clouds somewhat broken, but watery, thick overcast at Night again, Wind continues NE, but not so Raw cold as at the first of this long storm
Recd of 7 Jon L Sch House Tax	Received of Jonathan Lawrence by his son William his school House tax 2.98
Henry 7 Willsey bad Swelling	Henry Willse has a bad Swelling on his Neck; been coming some time and Increases
Markets 7 &c	Markets are immensely high, all provision kind, for Some time already; but potatoes cheap 2 shillings per Bushel
Partly 8 Clear warm	Partly Clear, Cloudy with a Watery Haziness, warm, Sun dimly appears, still; in the Morning early About 10 AM Sun comes out, very Warm

1836	Momento
June 8 A Long Storm	About 10 the Clouds rises from the Westward, has some Appearance for Showers from May the 24th till Now the sun Moon and Stars have hardly been seen; and Wind invariably NE; Stormy and Rainy; this Afternoon some Rain a little from a shower
Obb 8 Oxen twice this paid &c	Obb Oxen to Day about an hour fetched some timber out of David Concklins Gore lot, Alfred along with Sled, a Day or 2 Ago had them too, a load from Swamp with his Waggon, Altogether perhaps 2 or 3 Hours, see June 13th. Allowed 2 shillings on clevice and bolt
	9 Somewhat Foggy and quite still this Morning early. Soon becomes clear and very warm all day, wind but light by turns seemed Southerly
Jon Law to 9 Haverstraw & to New Y. &c	Tuesday the 7th Instant Jon Lawrence went up to Haverstraw with Steam boat Rockland, Yesterday Went from thence to New York, did not Return to Day
	10 Clear and a Handsome Morning, cool and Wind Northerly; nice Day to Work, being cool
Planted 10 Yellow corn	Yesterday I planted Yellow corn on hill over the Road and finished
Planted 10 White beans	Planted White Beans to Day, also over Road in the NE corner of the corn part

NOTE: "Clevice." A clevis usual spelling fastener consists of a clevis and a bolt. The clevis is a U shaped piece that has holes at the end of the prongs to accept the bolt. Clevises are employed in a wide variety of equipment used by farmers.



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1836	Momento
June 11 foggy thunder & some Rain	Very foggy this Morning; a light breeze from the Eastward, and moderately warm at Sun Rise. In the afternoon Sun comes out and it began to break Away the fog About 10 AM, Showers towards Night with a little rain and Thunder from the Southwestward; not very warm
Jon L. bk 11	Jon Lawrence came up from New York see the 9th
Herbt 11 Oxen	Herbert Oxen this Afternoon drawing Stone of his Mountain lot full 1/2 Day +
Wm. Law. 11 Pea Brush	Yesterday William Lawrence had my Waggon, Oxen, took Pea Brush
Old Side 11 Quart. Meeting Geo. Law. sent for did not go	Old Side Episcopal Methodist Meeting began last Night at Rockland, gave Public Notice that no one should be admitted Sabbath Morning to their love feast who had been twice, and had not joined them. George Lawrence had been Refused before, was now sent for, did not go
12	Clear, and Handsome this Morning; still the Sky has a Watery look; very light breeze from the Northward a little cool nice Day
Pr. Meetg. 12 Jon Law.	Prayer Meeting Jonathan Lawrences this Morning Brother Clark, Mistress Cooper, Lucy, Margaret, Rachel Gravestines Girls, Myself, Gracy and Jon Lawrence and his family. Clark read and Spoke, Jon Lawrence also, a Good small Meeting. The Old side Quarterly Meeting continues.
I Spoke to 12 Clark on Geo. Law. Work	I spoke to Brother Clark, on the Account of George Lawrence for his Work done for the church or Meeting House and Answered favourable.

1836	Momento
June 13	Clear, very cool, Wind from NE by N this Morning, Afternoon Wind appears to be lightly from the SE, not very warm
Clevice 13 Made &c	Obb Made me a large Clevice and bolt, charged 5 shillings; But had the Oxen twice a little, allowed 2 shillings and I owe yet 3 shillings see June 8th
14	Partly overcast this Morning, looks for foul weather, more Clear in Afternoon, cool evening
Woodruff 14 & Br. Smith	Woodruff And Brother Smith from Rahway came here About 2 PM on foot — Woodruff was to have Preached last evening at New Landing School House; but the Key was not to be found &c
Br. Smith 14 Prd. at Jon L. Above 30	<p>Brother Smith Preached to Night in Brother Woodruffs Place at Jon Lawrences from 1 John 1 Chapter and 9 Verse, "If we Confess our Sins &c" his discourse was pretty Good, however no great display of talents, but sincere, his application was far preferable to the subject &c, above 30 persons, the Meeting was Solemn</p> <p>Lucy was not there, Eley, Margaret, Rachel, Mistress Cooper and George Quidor's Wife Peggy, Gracy, Peggy Concklin, And Mistress Lockwood, and her 2 Daughters and I expect sonsinlaw from New York on Visit, William Gesner, Zebs prentice, Joshua Martin and wife and others there</p>

1836	Momento
June 15	Clear and cool early this morning, Midday More Warm
Woodruff 15 & Smith came & went	Brother Woodward and Brother Smith from Rahway came from Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences last night and stay'd with me. Went away this Morning About 9 AM
Planted 15 Novascotia yellow corn	Planted Novascotia Yellow Corn to Day in the Small yard at the Nut tree
J L 15 oxen	Jon Lawrence Oxen this Afternoon Ploughing and Went Slote ie William went
16	Clear this Morning but Cloudy flying moderately from the West; Sky between them has a Watery appearance
Mist. 16 Manning My Cousin here	Mistress Manning my Cousin the daughter of Nicholas Brower the Brother of Famiche Brower Gesner My Mother I say she came here towards Night from New York with Orange Steam Boat, stay'd all Night
Warm 17	Clear, Wind from the Southwestward Warm Midday, a very warm Day
J. L. 17 to N. Y.	Jonathan Lawrence Went to New York to day

1836	Momento
<p>June 18 Rain hard Thunder</p>	<p>Somewhat cloudy this Morning and Warm, quite clear through the greater part of the Day; but very warm, grew Cloudy Mid Afternoon, and between 5 and 7 PM a thunder Storm from the Westward, high wind, Severe lightning and thunder And hard Rain; the ground needed it.</p>
<p>I & Mist. 18 Hannah at &c Records Tappan</p>	<p>I and Mistress Helena Hannah, my cousin, now at Domini Coles Tappan searching church Records While it Rains; to find who are in the lineage of Heirship to the property of Anneke Jans lying in the city of New York and unjustly withheld from the heirs by the vestry of the church of England</p>
<p>at Herbts 18 pd</p>	<p>At Herberts 7 lb Wheat flour 2 shillings 4 pence, Alfred fetched, paid</p>
<p>At Requoy's 18 6 sh 10 p paid</p>	<p>At Requoy's Tappan Village 1 Yard Muslin 1 shilling 2 pence 3 1/2 lb Sugar 3 shillings 5 pence 1/2 lb tea 2 shillings 3 pence = 6 shillings 10 pence Paid</p>
<p>19 Warm Thunder Showers Rain wind</p>	<p>Clear with a few clouds this Morning, air pure and serene between 2 and 5 o'clock PM there was 2 thunder Showers, and smart flaws of Rain, the later with a high gust of Wind from the Westward and Continues Cloudy. Midday very Warm</p>

1836	Momento
June 21 Charles Buckwht. ground	Herberts Charles began to plough for Buckwheat before the Old School House this Afternoon, My Oxen on equal Shares tol! lol!
22	Still foul Weather, a little dropping rain this Morning, the Wind seems still overcast all Day some drisseling Rain
Paid 22 again on Sch. House tax	Paid 13.14 to Day to Herbert Gesner on the new School House tax
22 Potatoes	Began this Afternoon to plant White potatoes in Old peach Orchard by the Barn
I had 22 Herbts. horse And He My Oxen	I Had Herberts Horse to draw a little Dung about 3 or 4 Hours this Afternoon. He had My Oxen in the Mountain
23	Partly Clear this Morning, a Dull day. Cold for the time of the year, continues to look stormy, mostly overcast all Day, thick overcast at Night
Herbt. Oxen 23 I his horse	I had Herberts horse Again near all Day, he my Oxen
Potatoes 23 Put Ashes on Corn	Planted More potatoes. William Lawrence helped More than 1/2 Day, Also put Ashes on the corn on the Hill above Road, Half destroyed by the little striped worm, appears to penetrate from the top down into the very heart
24	Overcast this Morning, and overcast all Day; but no Rain excepting a few drops, Wind still easterly

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June 24 Potatoes	Planted More potatoes in Old Peach Orchard, William Lawrence helped from near 10 AM all the Day
I Herbts. 24 horse Herbt. my Oxen	I had Herberts Horse Again to draw dung with his one horse Waggon He has My Oxen
25	Overcast and Misty this Morning, a long dull time, and all Day More or less misty, wind still continues easterly
Planted 25 potatoes	Planted Potatoes Again in same piece, Very tedious planting, Soddy and Wet
Will Law 25 gave 2 sh	William Lawrence helped About 1/2 Day not more to Day, came About 12 o'clock, and quit early, gave him 2 shillings.
Quarterly 25 meeting	Quarterly Meeting at Haverstraw see April 30th
Sabbath 26 Rains hard Storm &c	Foul Weather continues, Misty, Wind Easterly. Rain continues all day, especially from About 10 o'clock AM, a very Wet time and overcast Weather; from the 18th untill now Mostly cold drisseling and Rainy Weather, the sun quite Seldom seen
26 Pr. Mg. at Jon Law. but small &c Rain	No one but Myself and Rachel Gravestine at Jon Lawrences to Day, excepting his family, we sung several Hymns; Mary Lawrence Sarah Lawrence Cornelia Lawrence And their Mother Sally sung several Hymns on New tunes, Jon Lawrence Made an excellent prayer and so concluded

1836	Momento
June 26 Herbt. Oxen I his Horse	Herbert My Oxen yesterday forenoon, And I his Horse again Drawing some dung in potato hills, old peach orchard, yesterday forenoon
27 Rain Clear	Rain Continues this Morning, breaks away into Clouds before 12, and in the Afternoon quite clear and Handsome, no wind scarcely, sometimes it seemed from the westward and at other times from the Eastward has been foul, this turn, from the 18th Instant
27 finished Potatoes near Barn	finished planting potatoes in old peach orchard, all White or Shockows, excepting a few Right back of the Barn and 2 Rows or Nearly 3 on the eastward side of pinck eyes
John 27 Willse & Will. Law	John Willse junior helped 1/2 Day Afternoon and William Lawrence less than 1/2 Day plant and dung
My Mare 27 &c	My Mare to Harings Horse to Day
28	Foggy and cool this Morning; there seems a light Breeze from the Southwestward, About 8 AM fog breaks Away. Warm
At Herbts. 28 2 sh 4 p Paid	At Herberts 7 lb Wheat flour 2 shillings 4 pence, Paid, fetched by Alfred

1836	Momento
June 28 Will. Law. Potatoes &c	William Lawrence helped plant potatoes over the Road next Richards, better than 1/2 Day
28	Woodruff came here About 11 o'clock AM to day with Horse, Ate Dinner, after Dinner he went and visited some members &c
Woodruff 28 Pd. Jon Law. good &c	Woodruff Preached at Jon Lawrences to Night to about 25 or 30 or More from 1 Corinthians 3 Chapter and 21st 22nd 23rd verses "Therefore let no Man &c" This Sermon far exceeded Any he ever preached in Rockland, sound Doctrine, and well conceived and methodically delivered, connected with solemn and impressive Means, a Solemn Attention paid; Lucy not there, no one to take care of her children; Members all there living at Rockland, Phebe Sneden there
Rachel 28 Gravestine joined	This Evening Rachel Gravestine joined Our Society, the Methodist Protestant
29	Somewhat Smoaky this Morning, could look the sun in his face, Moderately Warm, and still, afternoon About 3 o'clock, a Shower Went on the North, some thunder and a little Sprinkling of Rain here, continued not long
Potatoes 29 Will. Law.	Planted More potatoes over the Road, William Lawrence helped, came late, hindered by little Rain Afternoon perhaps 2/3 of 1/2 Day
Woodruff 29 went away	Woodruff came here About 10 o'clock AM, Ate Dinner, After the Rain About 4 PM went with Horse Away &c

1836	Momento
<p>July 30</p> <p>Eley 30 Moved</p> <p>Mary 30 Law. with Eley</p> <p>30 Quarterly Meeting at Haverstraw the 25th and 26th Inst, but No Conference Held Rain</p> <p>David 30 Manns Child born</p>	<p>Nearly Clear this Morning and cool</p> <p>Eley Westervelt Moved from her Mothers some time in first of May last in Joshua Martin's House near Snedens landing opposite the big Spring</p> <p>Mary Lawrence went with Eley a few Days Ago to learn to make frocks, vests &c</p> <p>Quarterly Meeting at Haverstraw was Appointed to Commence on the 25 of April Instant, none from Rockland Went, I was not there. Brother Clark from Nyack was there — I Received information from Brother Woodruff our Circuit preacher that no Quarterly conference was held for some Reasons, the Weather dull and Rainy, and Members not sufficiently collected; but an excellent good time, the 26th on Sabbath Morning an excellent time, House filled. Brother Albert I Piercy preached 3 excellent Sermons for them so Woodruff said. The 26th Instant was a Very Rainy Day</p> <p>George Mann's son David has a Young daughter born the of June Instant, has now a Son and daughter</p>

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<p>July 30</p> <p>Finished planting Potatoes 6 kinds</p> <p>Will. Law. 30</p> <p>At Larry's 30 paid</p> <p>Paid John 30 Nagle 10 sh in full</p> <p>Tin 30 pan unpaid</p> <p>Abraham 30 C Mabie sick</p>	<p>Finished planting potatoes, over. I Have planted above 30 Bushels; incumbered myself in planting 6 different kinds, ? My Old sort Shockoos or white potatoes: Pink eyes Long Reds Manchesters, Seal feets and Blue Noses, I have planted Most of the Whites and next pink eyes. The other 4 Kinds I Have Received the Seed from Novascotia of Abraham Gesner living at Granville Anapolis Royal last year in the Spring</p> <p>William Lawrence helped better than 1/2 Day</p> <p>At Larry Snedens 3 1/2 lb Sugar 3 shillings 6 pence paid</p> <p>Paid John Nagel for the 50 Weight of Rye Meal had some time Ago, we are Square now in all Accounts, paid him 10 shillings</p> <p>Gracy bought Yesterday a Milk pan of Norton 5 shillings 6 pence unpaid, since paid to</p> <p>Abraham C Mabie very poorly</p>

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July 1	Smoaky, but clear this Morning and cool
Alfred 1 to NY	Alfred went to New York with Steam Boat Orange this Morning with consent to see his father, I gave him his 4 shillings and his 6 pence
Abm. 1 Mabie Died	Abraham C Mabie died near 12 o'clock to Day, Buried next day in the Afternoon
Potatoes 1 how planted of White Perhaps 23 Bushls. Pink Eyes per haps 4 or 5 Bushls. Altogether perhaps Bush. planted	<p>Potatoes the different kinds where planted</p> <p>The Shockoos in the Old peach Orchard, excepting back of the Barn and a row or two on east side of Barn are pink eyes</p> <p>Over the Road next road and Richards</p> <p>Long Reds to the Mark, rows North and South about 1/2 bushel each</p> <p>Manchesters next about 1 Bushel</p> <p>Pink Eyes next runs quite up but</p> <p>Blue Noses, a little square piece in SE corner</p> <p>And North of the Rift</p> <p>Seal feet to the Naked Rock perhaps near 3</p> <p>And Shockoos or Whites a square in NE corner</p> <p>Finished Yesterday began the 22nd Instant</p>
2	Foggy this Morning and still, very warm last Night, warm all day but Smoaky. The Misty fog breaks away about 8 AM

1836	Momento
July 2	William Lawrence helped a little to Day, planted a few potatoes over the Run
Wm. Clark 2 potatoes & unpaid	William Clark of Closter Got of me 1 Bushel potatoes to day, he said for John Whitehead, 4 shillings unpaid, since paid
Jacob 2 Ges & wife came up	Jacob Gesner and Betsy came up from New York this Afternoon, both pretty well, he works in the Navy Yard, lives in Water Street New York city, crosses Morning noon and evening
3	Weather Appears foul this Morning, wind easterly, breaks partly Away before 12 at Night, blows stormy
Pr. Mg. Jon. Law.	3 Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning, a Good Meeting. Brother Clark Jon Lawrence and family Jacob Gesner and wife Mistress Cooper Lucy Margaret, Rachel Gravestine, John Rice Composed the Meeting Brother Clark opened it and Closed it, Spoke exceeding well, likewise Jacob Gesner and Jon Lawrence
James 3 Miller & Brother here came yesterday	James Miller who lived with me 2 or 3 years Ago, now a Boy of about 14 Years; a fine lad and his Brother Edward came up from New York yesterday to See Me

1836	Momento
<p>July 4 Rain hard thunder Rain till next Night</p>	<p>Independence Sky seems covered with a thick fog, some Resemblance of Rain this Morning, a Shower of Rain half after 12 to Day, little thunder, afterwards a very heavy thunder shower, hard Rain &c</p>
<p>Ja Ges 4 Betsy to N York But Rain prevented their going at Geo. Quidors</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner and his Wife Elizabeth went Away this Morning about 1/2 after 9 from My house, with intent to go across the River take Steam boat for New York, our Steam boat Orange is gone up the River and will not go down to New York 'till about 5 PM. Jacob Gesner could not wait &c, he Works at Navy Yard and has about a fortnight at 20 shillings per Day It is six weeks since he Moved Away from here to New York NB I've understood they did not go on Account of a very Rainy Afternoon, Heavy Rain, hard thunder, they were at George Quidors this Afternoon</p>
<p>At Herbts. 4 2 sh paid Ja Ges gave money</p>	<p>At Herberts Got by Edward Miller a boy, brother of James Miller from New York 1/4 lb tea 2 shillings paid, Jacob Gesner gave the Money early this Morning</p>
<p>At Herbts. 4 Again Indian Meal 2 sh & Wt. fl 3 sh 6 p all paid</p>	<p>At Herberts 3 1/2 lb Indian Meal 9 shillings paid, fetched by Jimmy Miller Midday; and also About sun set 10 1/2 lb Wheat flour 3 shillings 6 pence paid and also fetched by James Miller</p>

1836	Momento
July 4 Potatoes	Planted 1/2 Bushel More of Pink eyes over the Run before the 2nd thunder Shower — the first but little Rain, the last a heavy Rain
5	Sky mostly overcast, appears very watery this Morning; but clear with Clouds from Southwestward through the Day
Jacob Ges. & wife to N. Y.	5 Jacob Gesner and wife did not go down to the City of New York yesterday on Account of Rain, are going to Day at 5 o'clock PM with the Orange
5 Saml. Snedn. & Cousin Saml. Myres came up for a Run to day Went Right Down	5 Samuel Sneden son of Benjamin Sneden came up with the Orange and his cousin Samuel Myres son of John Myres just came at My house, said How do you do, and farewell; The Orange left New York at 12, came up in 2 Hours, and Starts again at 5 PM, and They hastened to return with the Orange. Samuel Sneden said his Father and all were Well excepting Herbert Lawrences Wife
James Miller &c went away	5 James Miller and his Brother Edward came up the 2nd Instant to see us, and Went away About 15 Minutes after 4 PM to Day. I gave him 2 shillings to day and Yesterday 2 cents and 6 pence; he Brought me a small box of Wafers and gave Me a pocket Knife.

1836	Momento
July 9	Clear and warm this morning, last Night very warm, very still at Sun rise; very warm all Day and evening, thunder and lightning About 11 o'clock, not much Rain see below
Alfred 9 came back & Sick	This afternoon Alfred Miles came home from the city of New York, he went down the 1st July, his plea for staying so long is that he has been sick
9 Thunder & lightning	Very Heavy thunder Shower, a little before 12 o'clock, passing from the SW towards NE, just eastward of us with some very large drops of Rain like drops of large Melted Hail; severe thunder and lightning near by; I expect there has been Hail in the principle clouds, Altho the clouds were not very compact, the large single drops were very cold, but the Atmosphere very warm
Rain 10	The preceding Night a flaw of Rain — And this Morning the sky is thinly overcast, with a Watery look, warm and somewhat cloudy all Day
Pr. Mg. 10 Jon Law	Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences this Morning, only few there Margaret, Rachel, Mistress Cooper, Myself and the family all that were there; good little Meeting together
Jon & Sally 10 to Clarks to Attend Meetg. but none	Jonathan Lawrence with Jacob Posts Horse and Waggon Went up this Afternoon According to promise to hold Meeting at Brother Clarks. I did not go, not very Well, but No Meeting held

1836	Momento
July 11	The Sky a Rainy appearance this Morning, thickens up by 12 and About 4 PM begins to Mist, Wind NE not High, but little Rain
11 Lawyer Fraser & Myself took Inventory &c at John Isemans Decd. Paid	Mr. Fraser Lawyer and Myself with the executors of the Will of John Iseman Deceased met at the house of the Deceased Mr. Fraser and myself appointed appraisers, and we took an Inventory and made an estimate &c to Day, Lawyer Shay was present who presented an account separate to each, David I Tallman and Peter D Taulman, in favour of James Iseman, for the Appraisers to enter the same in the Inventory, being drawn from the Notes Given to the deceased by David and Peter Above Named, of 400 with their Interest; which we could not do; but took the face of the Notes, And estimated Peter Tallmans 20 and David Tallmans 4.33. David Tallman paid me 2 Dollars for it and Lawyer Fraser 2 Dollars
12	Overcast this morning, partly clear in the Afternoon, warm, Wind easterly
At Larry's 12 Paid	Yesterday at Larry Snedens 7 lb Indian Meal and 1 Quart Molasses, Alfred fetched and paid

1836	Momento
July 12 at Herbts. pd. 12	At Herberts 10 1/2 lb Wheat flour 3 shillings 4 pence paid, I fetched it A Barrel of swill came up this Afternoon, the first this Season for me
12 Woodruff came here Preaches a Good Sermon at Jon. Law. to Night	Woodruff came here with horse About 2 PM, Drank tea near Sun set Woodruff Preached at Jonathan Lawrences to night from the 2nd Chapter of Jonah and last clause of the 9th verse "Salvation is the Lord" after a good but short introduction, divided his text in 3 parts, 1st Salvation is of the Lord in a temporal sense 2nd Salvation &c in a Spiritual sense and 3rdly Salvation &c in an eternal Sense, With an affecting application. This sermon was truly delivered in very good order and with Much Solemnity Received by the Audience. A good Meeting, and perhaps the best Received and Approved of any was Delivered by him, it must have penetrated the heart of saint and sinner, spoken with much energy and zeal a Handsome Number out perhaps about 25 or upwards Jonathan concluded with prayer
At Larry's 12 Paid	At Larry's 3 1/2 lb Sugar 3 shillings 6 pence Paid, Alfred fetched,

1836	Momento
July 13	Overcast this Morning and mostly all day, Wind eastward
Woodruff 13 Wt. Away	Woodruff came here after one o'clock, from Sally's and a few other places; he went away About 3 or 4 PM
Peggy 13 Conckn. over River &c	Peggy Concklin and daughter Margaret Went over the River to see her Mother and sister to Day
13 At Meeting Heirs of Anneke Jans Resolved	I saw in the Evening Post to day, that at a large Meeting of the Heirs of Anneke Jans, Lawyer Sullivan from New York there, that they were Resolved to prosecute Against the Trinity church in the city of New York even into the highest court in the united States; this Meeting was held July 1st present Month, at Poughkeepsie, New York State; the paper Was Dated 12th Instant
Rain 14	A little Misty this Morning, overcast, rains Some About 10 AM; partly clear the first part of the Afternoon, at Sunset begins to Rain hard, wind Easterly
Gracy 14 at Ja Posts all Night	Gracy went to Peggy Posts this Afternoon, did not come home, Rains hard at Night
Black 14 cow	Black Cow t___k to Peter Rikers to Night

1836	Momento
July 15	Has Rained Much last Night, still overcast And Rainy this Morning rains by turns all the forenoon; Afternoon towards Night partly clear, in the evening Clear. The wind all Day easterly or Rather Northeasterly
Gracy 15 Sent to Market	Gracy Sent to New York Wednesday last with Peggy Post 10 Chickens, sold at 3 shillings 6 pence the pair 2 Bushels good old potatoes 7 shillings, some Currants 3 shillings 6 pence; the potatoes sold in 2 parcels or Bushel baskets
At Larry's 15 Paid	At Larry 3 1/2 lb Rice 1/4 tea 1 shilling 6 pence and some Allspice all paid, Alfred fetched it dusk
Henry 15 Gone to N.Y.	Peggy over the River the 13th and Henry to New York to Day
16	Quite cool this Morning, clear and the wind About NNE, cool all Day
16 Thomas Pennoyre &c here	Thomas Pennoyre, his wife Amelia, his wifes Sister Mary, and Betsy Scudder came here this Morning About 1/2 half After 10 AM, with Bogerts Waggon and Horse from New Landing, They were from New York to see Betsy Scudder &c Went away About 4 PM Ate Dinner with us
Ja Ges 16 & Betsy up	Jacob Gesner and Wife up from New York. Betsy not well, up this Afternoon
Wm. 16 Law.	William Lawrence helped Alfred finish hoeing the Corn in upper field Yard About 2 or 3 Hours

1836	Momento
July 16 Sowed Buckwt	Sowed Buckwheat over the Run to Day and for Herbert on equal Shares over Road by School House on Wednesday Morning the 13th
Sabbath 17	Clear, cool, Wind NNE, a Cool Day, seldom at this season of the Year so cold
Pr. Meetg. 17 At J. Law.	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning; Jacob Gesner, myself, Lucy, Margaret, Rachel Gravestine and her daughter, and Mistress Cooper, and the family of Jonathan Lawrence composed our Meeting to Day
Ja Ges 17 Started for the city of NY Betsy stay'd	Jacob Gesner Started for New York a little after 2 PM intending to be set Across the River and take Steam Boat; but Betsy stay'd here
18	Clear and cool this Morning Midday warm cool in the evening
Wm Law 18	William Lawrence helped hoe a little this Afternoon
18 Pamphlets of Thos. Pennoyer	Thomas Pennoyre and Sisterinlaw came early from New landing to Sally's for Currants this Morning. He Brought a Number of Pamphlets with him entitled the Ladies Companion. He gave me 4 different Numbers for a present and gave some at Sally's, I was at Sally's

NOTE: The *Ladies Companion* was an American monthly magazine published between 1834 and 1844 and, according to its title, "embracing every department of literature, embellished with original engravings, and music arranged for the piano forte, the harp and guitar." The index to Volume 9, published in 1838, begins with:

Attack of the Boa-Constrictor — illustrated
Autograph of Queen Victoria
Autumn Rhapsodies
Almamen: or, the Jew of Granada, by Jonas B. Phillips

You can see that it was not a fashion magazine.

1836	Momento
July 19	Clear and Moderate this morning wind very Still; But Midday refreshing wind Westerly
Sally here 19	Sally here yesterday towards Night
Betsy to 19 Obb Coopers	Yesterday Jacob Gesner's wife and Mother went to Mary Ann Coopers, came back just Sun set and went instantly over there Again and Stayed all Night, came back again the Night of the 20th
Corn 19 hurt by worm Sowed Buck= wheat in it	My Corn Miserably destroyed by a Striped worm, from 1/2 Inch to an Inch long penetrating down from the top, direct into the tender heart; I sowed Buckwheat into it nearly all the piece on hill over Road next Richards this Day
Wm. Law. 19	William Lawrence here 1/2 Day; but did not more than 2 or 3 Hours work, riding Horse while I Harrowed, also uncovered corn, I sowed Buckwheat in nearly the Whole piece on hill
At Herbts. 19 Paid	Yesterday at Herberts 10 1/2 lb Rye Meal 2 shillings 8 pence 1/2 lb Salarates 7 pence and pitcher 1 shilling = 4 shillings 3 pence paid
At Herbts. 19 Paid	To Day 1 Quart Rum 1 shilling 3 pence paid; fetched by Alfred to Day
20	A Clear Nice Morning, and Moderately warm all Day and Clear Wind Southwestward
Ja. Willse 20	Peter Willseys son Jacob here to Day
Herbt. 20 plough	Had Herberts corn ploughed to Day, potatoes 3/4 day
Wm. Law. 20	William Lawrence hoed Potatoes, came 9 AM

1836	Momento
July 21	Not very Clear this Morning, the Sky is Hazy with some Watery Streaks, wind Southwestward, begins to Rain About 11 AM, wind SW
At Herbts. 21 4 p Paid	At Herberts 1/2 pint Rum to put on cherries, 4 pence paid
21 Much Rain	About or before 12 to Day it began to Rain, seemed to break Away for a While, About 3 or 4 PM began to Rain hard, and continued till in the Night very hard, with short intermissions, Wind SW; but had every appearance of a Settled Rain; Much water fell
Wm. Law. 21	William Lawrence came near 9, Helped hoe potatoes, interrupted by the Rain
Woodruff 21 came here	Woodruff came here About 4, caught in beginning of the Hard Rain
Rachel 21 Gravestine	Rachel Gravestine came on a Visit about half After One between the first and 2nd Rain, held up a little near sun set, she went home had umbrella, and Got Gracy's cloak
22 Rain'd &c	Cloudy this Morning moving from NW; but still appears Rainy; Rained Yesterday Afternoon and last Night, much Water, Mid day more clear, not very warm
Woodruff 22 Wt. Away &c	Woodruff went down from here to Slote with horse; about 9 AM, with intent for New York. Alfred went down to fetch the horse back

1836	Momento
I gave July 22 Woodruff 12 sh	I Gave Woodruff 12 shillings for My self on his Salary
Abba 22 Gwefes	Abba Gwefes here this Morning about one Hour
Wm Law 22 helped &c	William Lawrence this Afternoon about 4 Hours, helped finish hoeing potatoes by Barn in old peach Orchard
Letter 22 from Wm. F Harris	I Received a letter by Brother Woodruff from William F. Harris who has returned from Geneva to West Point, I Received it yesterday
at Herbts. 22 Paid	To Night at Herberts 10 1/2 lb Rye flour 2 shillings 8 pence, paid
Wash 22 Wool	Betsy Scudder helped Gracy wash her wool this Afternoon
23	Clear and cool this morning; wind light from the Northward, Afternoon from Southward
I Wm. Law 23 & Alfred cut Salt Grass	I, William Lawrence and Alfred went about 9 or 10 AM to cut George Lawrences salt Meadow lot at Sand Beach on Shares, we began to cut a little before 12, cut About the one half; tide very high

1836	Momento
July 23 B. Scudder Wt. home	Betsy Scudder helped Gracy to Day, and Went home After Tea, with her grand daughter
At Larry's 23 Paid	At Larry's 2 lb Sugar 2 shillings and 1 quart 1 shilling = 3 shillings paid
At Herbt's. 23 1 sh pd 4 p unpd	At Herberts 1 lb Crackers 8 pence and 1/2 pint Rum 4 pence = 1 shilling paid and again in Return from Meadow salt 1/2 pint Rum 4 pence, unpaid
Woodruff 23 up from NY &c	Woodruff up from New York, took his Horse, went up to Storms's. He brought his Sister and his little Daughter up, and are at Sally's
24	Mostly overcast this Morning, Clouds move from SW by W all Day, the sun hardly seen, has Appearance of Rain
Prayer 24 Meeting Jon Law no Eley	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning 10 o'clock, Wheeler and Wife down from Nyack Village with horse and Chair at the Meeting, Lucy, Mistress Cooper and Jacob Gesner's Wife Betsy, Woodruff's sister, Margaret Smith, 2 Girls of Rachel Gravestine, William Gesner, Gracy, Peggy and Myself and the family there; a Good meeting. Brother Wheeler spoke a little, very good; Jon Lawrence Made an excellent discourse
Wheeler and Wife here	Wheeler and wife here after Dinner at Jonathan Lawrences and Drank tea between 4 and 5 And Returned With horse and Chair to Nyack

1836	Momento
July 25	Clear, wind Westerly this Morning, nice Day, cloudy at Sunset, looks unsettled
of John 25 Nagle unpd	Got of John Nagel 50 Weight Rye Meal unpaid, since paid
Salt 25 Grass cut Wm Law &c	Cut Salt Grass, Sand Beach lot of George Lawrence on Shares, last Saturday and to Day, each day, Saturday a little More than 1/2 Day and to Day not 1/2 Day, began to day about 11 and had done cutting and Spreading by little after 5 PM Self, William Lawrence and Alfred
At Herbts. 25 &c	At Herberts 1/2 pint Rum 4 pence paid and 1 lb crackers unpaid 8 pence, but paid the 27th
Rain 26	Rain began in the Night previous to this morning And Rains Steady on, quits at 9 AM, clear afternoon, Warm wind lightly from the West, the Clouds from the West
Rains on 26 Salt Grass	My Salt Grass cut gets a Soaking
26 Ja Ges Wife where She stay'd	Jacob Gesners Wife came up Saturday 16th Instant with Jacob Gesner She was Saturday night here Sunday Night here visit with her Mother Monday 18th night at Obbs tuesday 19 Night home Wednesday the 20th I think at Obbs, Thursday the 21st Day and Night at Obbs Friday the 22nd Day at Obbs, night here Saturday the 23 Went to George Quidor's and is there yet Saturday, sunday, Monday Tuesday 26 there yet was at Meeting went there

1836	Momento
July 26 Wm. Law.	William Lawrence and Alfred about 2 PM went to Salt Meadow, Stir Hay
26 Woodruff Preach'd JL to Night	Woodruff Preaches at Jonathan Lawrences to Night from 2 Peter 36 and 9 Verse, a Nice company, perhaps more than 25 yes 30, Lucy, Jacob Gesner's wife, Mistress Cooper, Margaret, Rachel Gravestine and Girl, Eley, Gracy, Self, Peggy Post, Mary Ann Gesner, Ginnet not George Lawrence and wife , Chambers, Wynche &c quite a good Sermon
27	Cool and Cloudy this Morning, nearly clear through the Middle of the day
Tides 27 high	Tides Run so high as to keep the salt Grass continually Wet, which I cut last Saturday and Monday
I Wm. Law. 27 Alfred on Salt Meadw.	To Day I, William Lawrence and Alfred went Salt Meadow About 9 AM, stirred some part nearly half of Grass, Meadow very wet, cannot get it to Dry, tides run over the Meadow at high water.. However we made about 62 Cocks half cured
Robert 27 Woodruff & Sister	Woodruff came from Sally's about 9 AM, took horse and Waggon went Away; his sister named Rebeckah went from Sally's with him up &c
At Herbts. 27 Paid	At Herbets 1/2 pint Rum 4 pence and 1/2 lb crackers paid And paid the 8 pence of the 25th
at Larry's 27 paid	At Larry's 14 lb Indian Meal 2 shillings 9 pence paid

1836	Momento
July 28	Appears foul this Morning, breaks away, sometimes very Cloudy then Clear, Wind in the Morning Northeasterly, And Afternoon S by E, The wind for a long time has been Much between N and S in an easterly course
<p data-bbox="181 409 406 441">28</p> <p data-bbox="181 441 406 619">In Salt Meadow Bad time Meadow wet</p> <p data-bbox="181 619 406 787">Jon Law. & Wm. Gesner helped</p>	<p data-bbox="406 409 1443 787">I William Lawrence and Alfred worked Again in Salt Meadow, a very bad time, the tides run very high, last Night, by Wetting underneath the 62 Cocks, must have been 8 or 10 Inches over the Whole Lot about 9 or 10 o'clock PM. Meadow very Wet, gave Much trouble, we put however about 80 Cocks in the Barrack, very damp and Wet some of it, by the help of Jonathan Lawrence and William Gesner in the Afternoon, left their work at Larry Snedens, put up about 18 Cocks More than the 62 All had to be opened, stirred &c. I William Lawrence and Alfred Went About 9 AM</p>
At Herbt's. 28 Paid	At Herberts 1/2 pint Rum, Got of Mary Ann, paid
29	Overcast this Morning, Wind nearly SE, overcast all day. Rains some at 4 PM, wind still SE, Rises Stormy this Afternoon
I Wm Law 29 &c Salt Mead	I, William Lawrence and Alfred Went About 2 PM to Salt Meadow, tide had been over the Meadow Again, spread some few Wet heaps 3 or 4 And fetched about one Cock in, came home

1836	Momento
<p>July 29 Sent to Market</p> <p>30</p> <p>30</p> <p>Ja Ges up from city his Wife is up</p> <p>Wm Law 30 Self & Alfred Salt Meadow</p> <p>Plough'd 30 Potatoes</p>	<p>Sent with Peggy Post to Market 2 Barrels Apples, 1 Basket of Pears, 2 Small Do Beans</p> <p>Still overcast with a Misty appearance this Morning; partly Clear through the Middle of the day; the wind variable Northerly, Northeasterly, Easterly Southeasterly and Southerly on the Hudson River</p> <p>Jacob Gesner came up from New York this Afternoon, his Wife has been up from the city a fortnight, has been with us 2 or 3 Nights and Days the Rest of the time Among friends, he went up just before Night to Sally's where his Wife is at present, see the 16th Instant</p> <p>I, William Lawrence and Alfred went a little after 12 Again to Salt Meadow, the tide had been over the Meadow again, Meadow uncommon Wet, put none in the Barrack, pulled some out the Water into better places</p> <p>This forenoon I ploughed potatoes in old peach Orchard by Barn, the 2nd time</p>
1836	Momento
<p>July 31</p> <p>31</p> <p>Prayer Meeting Jon. Law.</p> <p>Augt. 1 Thunder Rain</p> <p>In Salt 1 Meadow Again much trouble got Wet</p> <p>Ja Ges 1 to NY &c</p> <p>Sent to 1 Market</p>	<p>Clear as a Bell this Morning, scarcely a Cloud to be seen till near Night, wind very light from the Westward</p> <p>Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences, Lucy, Rachel Gravestines 2 Girls, Mistress Cooper, Myself, Jacob Gesner and wife, Sarah Ann Moison, and the family was the Whole of the Meeting Margaret, Rachel Gravestine, Peggy Concklin and Gracy not there, Eley Westervelt has not been to one of our prayer Meetings since she Moved to Rockland; but to preaching</p> <p>Clear nearly this Morning, warm, near Sun set a thunder Shower from NW</p> <p>This Afternoon I, William Lawrence and Alfred went Again on the same Salt Meadow lot, a great part of the Meadow where the hay yet laid was so Wet that it was impossible to Get it Dry; After Much Stirring we put up About Cocks, a little laid yet the Rain caught us; we got very wet in coming home</p> <p>Jacob Gesner to New York Again to Work, Betsy Stay'd</p> <p>We sent to Market this Morning 2 Baskets apples and 2 Do pears</p>

1836	Momento
Augt. 2	Mostly Clear this Morning, the wind NW cool, through the most of the Day very clear
Ploughed 2 Potatoes &c	I ploughed and finished ploughing potatoes this forenoon but not all hoed
2 In Salt Meadow I Wm. Law. Alfred &c	Afternoon I William Lawrence and Alfred again in Salt Meadow, put in the Barrack 53 Cocks after opening 51 Cocks and turning them, and putting up those opened and 12 or 14 More Meadow continues very wet much trouble; there is Now 151 sizeable cocks in the Barrack, not quite done yet
Gracy 2 & Peggy went out	Gracy and Peggy to see Rachel Gravestine this Afternoon
3	Partly overcast this Morning, and through the day, by turns nearly clear, and before 12 it sprinkled some with Rain, then clear and Wind Southerly
I William 3 Law. & Salt Hay	I, William Lawrence and Alfred Made a finish to putting in the salt hay, excepting 2 or 3 Cocks of Wet stuff, chased about the Barracks from 9 till little after 12, About 154 Cocks in all
Betsy 3 to N. York	Betsy Jacob Gesners wife to New York to day I and Peggy Concklin a Small scrape &c

1836	Momento
Augt. 4	nearly Clear all Day wind Westward
Jon Law 4 & Sally to NY	Jonathan Lawrence and Sally to New York to day, With Steam boat across the River
Wm. L 4 & potatoes	I and Alfred and William Lawrence hoed potatoes over the Road, William came 10 or 11 AM, had done about 3, he went Home
At Larry's 4 Paid	At Larry's 1/2 Gallon Molasses, sent with John Nagle, 2 shillings paid
Jacob 4 Gesner	Jacob Gesner and Wife moved their things up from New York to Day to My house, Betsy dont like the city &c
Moved up &c 5	Looks for foul weather this Morning, clouds seem slowly to Move from the Westward; but wind lightly from the eastward, Midday clear and warm, near Night thick overcast
Betsy 5 Cleaning	Betsy, Wynchey Cooper and Peggy Quidor in afternoon helping clean Betsy's Room and things
Hay 5 old Orchard	I William Lawrence and Alfred went about 9 or 10 AM cut grass in Old orchard, put up 23 cocks
Hen Conck. 5 Moving old Sch House	Henry Concklin Moving the School House frame to his lot to Day, whose oxen he had I dont yet know

1836	Momento
Augt. 6	Rains Steadily this Morning, began last Night, wind easterly this Morning; but not High, Rains all Day
Sab. 7	Still Remains overcast this Morning early, at 7 AM it breaks away from the westward But shortly after gets to be very close, overcast, at Night clear
7 Prayer Meeting Jon Law Ja Ges to N.Y.	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning, I, Brother Clark, Lucy, Mistress Cooper, Margaret, Rachel Gravestine and Girl and the family were all that attended the Meeting Jacob Gesner to New York this Day, cross the River
8	Very foggy this Morning, very little wind, Clears away about 9, Sun comes through very hot, a very Warm day
8 In Hay old Orchard Wm. Law.	I went down into the Meadow old Orchard cut some Grass, opened the 23 Cocks, turned them and put them up, Alfred came about 11 and William Lawrence came About 12, helped Rake and put up what I had cut, a Shower passed in the North with some thunder, we went home About 3 o'clock, Ate, they went down and cut a little
Mist. Rice 8	Mistress Rice here this Afternoon

1836	Momento
Augt. 8 at Herbts. paid	At Herbets 7 lb Wheat flour and 1 quart Rum, the flour 2 shillings 6 pence the Rum 1 shilling 3 pence = 3 shillings 9 pence
9	Overcast this Morning, wind Northward and quite cool, appears like Rain, about 10 AM Clear and clear all Day but cool
Hay 9 Wm. Law	Working in Grass and Hay old orchard, William Lawrence nearly all Day
Woodruff 9 down	Woodruff preached at Jonathan Lawrences to Night, to perhaps 30 or 40, Mostly Weoman, spoke from Lamentation an excellent discourse. The People sat and kept their seats a length of time afer the Benediction, a Solemn Meeting.
Woodruff 9 Pd. at Jon Law to Night	Jonathan Lawrence Spoke well, The Substance of the discourse in its various Allusions was, that nothing but God can Satisfy the Soul
10	Clear and Cold wind Northward this Morning, air feels like frost Mostly overcast all day, Sprinkles in the Evening
1836	Momento
Augt. 10	Woodruff from Sally's; got his Horse and went away About 10 o'clock —
Wm. Law. 10 Hay 3 loads &c	William Lawrence helped take in 3 loads hay from old Orchard, 3/4 Day, he went to David Blauvelts and got his Waggon with my oxen, David offered it this Morning, went through David Concklins land, had his consent
Ja Ges 10 Came up sick	Jacob Gesner came up from New York this Afternoon, Was Sick, came across the River
11	Partly overcast this Morning and all Day nearly, clear at Night
Letty 11 Posts child born a Daughter	Letty Blanch (Post) her first child, Born the present Month on Sabbath evening the 7th between 10 and 11 PM a Daughter
Mowed 11 & brought in 1 load	We Mowed some Grass south of willows this Morning, and late in the afternoon fetched the 4th and last load of Hay from old Orchard, William Lawrence helped about good 1/2 Day, a dull Day
Wm. Law. 12 Hay Mowed & 1 load in	William Lawrence and We Mowed by Willows &c and brought in one load. Jacob Gesner came down near Night and pitched it on the Waggon, very nice clear day from 11 o'clock

1836	Momento
Augt. 12	Overcast till about 11 AM then till Night a beautiful clear Day, wind Northerly, at Night Northerly lights
Sally sick 12	Sally quite Sick, bloody dissentery
Milk pan Paid 12	Gracy paid for her Milk pan 5 shillings 6 pence to Day, bought sometime ago
	13 Overcast Again this morning; but clears Away about 10 AM, a very fine Day
David Blauvelt My oxen He helped me This squares Ja Ges. helped one load in Wm Law 8 loads in &c Sally better 13 Mist Ander= son here 13	<p>David Blauvelt had my Oxen early this day, he drew 3 loads of Hay in from his lower Meadow to his Barn and brought them back About 2 PM. He then helped me with 2 loads in from About the Willows &c.</p> <p>Then Jacob Gesner went along and fetched one load More in, Makes 3 loads to Day</p> <p>William Lawrence helped Mow this forenoon And this Afternoon, he and Alfred Raked and cocked it up, quit late now 8 loads in</p> <p>Sally is better see 12th Instant</p> <p>Mistress Anderson here to night, from New York</p>

1836	Momento
Augt. 16	Very Clear this morning; But however there is a very thin fog, cool Day, sometimes quite cloudy, at other times nearly clear through the Day
Wm. Law 16 in fresh & in Salt Meadow of Larry Sneden &c	William Lawrence came about 9 AM, cut some fresh Grass in the little field below, About 2 PM I and William Lawrence Went to Salt Meadow, cut the lot that Jacob Gesner had engaged of Larry Sneden, the good part of it on shares for Larry. Jacob Gesner not well, gave it up. William Lawrence quite Smart with the Scythe
Ja Ges 16 helped &c	Jacob Gesner and Alfred put up the fresh we had cut, about 9 or 10 Cocks, and brought home 6 Cocks that was cut before
At Larry's 16 paid	At Larry's 1 quart molasses 1 shilling paid
Stephen 16 Parsels Oxen	Stephen Parsels had My Oxen 1/2 Day this forenoon, Also 1 Day about 23d Instant drawing stone, See the 31st Instant
17	Clear this Morning and all Day wind northerly, not very warm, yet an excellent day for Making Hay
1836	Momento
Augt. 17 Cut rest of Salt grass Wm. Law &c	Cut the Rest of Larry Snedens Salt Meadows Lot, William Lawrence helped, came About 8 AM, worked till little After 12, We came home, William Lawrence went to his home; came down Again About half after 4 PM and helped Mow in the Bottom Next the road &c, little more than 1/2 Day
Herbt. 17 oxen	Herbert oxen part of the day drawing hay from Tappan Johnsons
18	Clear and beautiful this Morning, and all day nearly; near sun set it grew overcast; this Afternoon the wind blew high from the south
Raked 18 cocked & Stacked Salt Hay Wm Law Jon Law	I, and Alfred, and William Lawrence went to salt Meadow see the 17th , Raked and cocked the acre and near a quarter Lot, William Lawrence was not well enough to work hard, we put up near 50 Cocks. Jonathan Lawrence came and helped top off the Stack about one hour or better, got done before sun set, we went about 8
Herbt. 18 oxen	Herbert Oxen to day drew in hay from Tappan, he has done with the fresh
Ja Post 18 Refused &c	This day early this Morning Jacob Post denied me his cradle to cut My Oats

1836	Momento
Augt. 19 Hard Rain	Rained the preceding night very hard and early this Morning, clear in Afternoon
Oats 19	I Began to cut Oats about 10 AM
Ja Ges 19 to N York	Jacob Gesner to New York, we sent 9 chickens and 2 Baskets of pears with him and 2 other baskets of pears
Argumt. 19 on Abolition &c	Argument on the abolition of slavery for the first, at New School House Rockland Mr. Chambers the teacher and others, in the Evening
20	Cloudy this Morning, light wind from the Westward, a nice day
Oats 20	Cut most all My oats to Day, most of them very Stout, and injured by laying flat &c
Ja Ges 20 Back	Jacob Gesner back from New York, sold the 9 chickens 2 shillings apiece, the 4 Baskets not large pears got 5 shillings 4 shillings 4 shillings and 3 shillings = 16 shillings
Sabbath 21	Clear, cool this Morning, a Nice Day, a light wind from the Westward, frost, see 22nd
Pr. Mg. 21 Jon Law	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning, Jacob Gesner and wife, Myself, Lucy, Mistress Cooper, Mistress Rice, Rachel Gravestine and little Girls, Peggy Concklin and the family there Jonathan exhorted exceedingly well &c

1836	Momento
Augt. 21 Jon & Sally &c	Jonathan and Sally a little while here this Afternoon About an hour before Sun Set
22	Clear and a handsome Morning and all Day not very warm
Frost 22	It was told me that there was frost seen at Tappan by Samuel Verbryck on last Saturday night seen yesterday morning
A Swollen 21 Hand	I have a bad Hand, much Swollen the left , appears like a fester or bad boil generating between thumb and fore-finger, on the 26th broke, I cut it Much Matter came out, My whole arm inflamed to the Arm-pit
Oats in 22 Wm. Law	took in two loads of Oats, Raked and tied up to Day, William Lawrence helped 3/4
23	Overcast this Morning, breaks away by 12 nearly, middling clear Afternoon, clouds from the Westward, cold evening
Oats in 23 Wm. Law helped	Got My Oats all in to Day, William Lawrence helped More than 1/2 Day
Woodruff 23 down to J.L. &c	Woodruffs horse William brought here this Morning about 10 AM. He stay'd at Jon Lawrences

1836	Momento
<p>Augt. 23 Woodruff Preachd. at JL. Eley Westervelt not there &c</p>	<p>Woodruff Preached at Jonathan Lawrences to Night, the 15 Chapter Luke, part of the parable of the Prodigal son, excellent discourse in tracing the Subject &c, there were About 23 or 24, Eley Westervelt was not there, she has not attended one of our prayer Meetings at Jonathan Lawrences since she moved last May in Joshua Martins House near the Good Spring; who knows the Cause?</p>
<p>At Taulmans 23 three 7 lb Molas. sugar paid Gracy got it Miss Anderson 2 Boys along Sweatmeats</p>	<p>Yesterday at Taulmans Gracy bought three 7 pounds Sugar, ie Molasses Sugar, at 3 shillings 6 pence per 7 lb paid. She went also to see Letty Post Blanch at Mistress Scudders with Mistress andersons 2 Boys John and George who came last friday to board with us from New York This Sugar Gracy made 14 lb of it into 14 lb Blue gage plumbs sweat meets</p>
<p>24 Frost</p>	<p>Cold Nights, clear this Morning and a handsome Day, clouds from SWestward. In Closter it is said there has been frost every night this Week</p>
<p>Woodruff 24 to N York</p>	<p>Woodruff here from Jonathan Lawrences between 9 and 10 AM, he Went back to Jonathans, left his horse with me and Went down to New York from Snedens Landing</p>
<p>Ja Ges 24 to N York took for us &c</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner some better in health, went to New York to Work, took Baskets 5 apples to Market for us, a Barrel for swill himself and 1 Basket chickens us</p>

1836	Momento
<p data-bbox="282 285 386 317">Augt. 25</p> <p data-bbox="228 401 347 546">A Terrible Accident</p> <p data-bbox="237 590 341 659">perhaps Wilful</p> <p data-bbox="209 705 386 926">J.Ges 25 Sent &c but no Baskets &c Woodruff 25 up & took &c</p> <p data-bbox="355 972 386 1003">26</p>	<p data-bbox="428 285 1425 354">Clear and cool this Morning, partly overcast all Day, Afternoon looks for a Storm wind Southerly</p> <p data-bbox="428 401 1430 659">A terrible Accident (or the stubborn effects of pride and thoughtlessness) The Steam boat Running across Ive understood from Catherine Market to Brooklyn New York State or opposite the Market, was Split open just a little aft of her bow, by the large Steam Boat called the Franklin coming down the East River. the ferry Steam Boat sank to the Bottom in less than 10 Minutes, and upwards of 30 persons Drowned. John Willse ship carpenter had 130 Dollars in his pocket to buy planks, was on board liked to have been drowned and his 130 Dollars gone</p> <p data-bbox="428 705 1422 774">Jacob Gesner Sent up some lime to clean house And 50 Weight Rye flour; But no empty Baskets, nor the Barrel of Swill, no Returns see 24th Instant</p> <p data-bbox="428 858 1365 928">Woodruff up from New York, came here took his horse After taking tea and Went away</p> <p data-bbox="428 972 1166 1003">Nearly clear this Morning, continues thinly overcast all Day</p>
1836	Momento
<p data-bbox="233 1203 386 1272">Augt. 26 Cow tk.</p> <p data-bbox="215 1278 386 1423">Mist. 26 Andersons Boys came & went</p> <p data-bbox="201 1430 386 1885">26 Peg Conck. Conduct slightly touched upon possesses an ungovern- able temper and a lying tongue impudence &c</p>	<p data-bbox="428 1203 1317 1234">Streaked Back young Cow to Samuel Snedens B ll this Morning t k</p> <p data-bbox="428 1278 1401 1392">The 2 Boys of Mistress Anderson came to board the 19th Instant for one Week Went away to day and paid Gracy for each 12 shillings = 24 shillings There names, the eldest John, the younger George</p> <p data-bbox="428 1436 1422 1812">Peggy Concklin her abuse to Me about 2 Weeks or better Ago, truly unprovoked abuse, this Day still charges me with her retained lies, an Accusation Against William Lawrence and Alfred and her Margaret. Did at that time on My inquiry, tell me that She Peg C had seen it with her own eyes and what she had seen with her own eyes she would believe &c &c and she was immediately in a rage I asked her then what she had seen and asked very closely, I wanted to know the truth, and I found that she had seen not one single thing Which she asserted to have seen but had derived information from her lying Girl about 9 or 10 years old; but putting such questions to her as she Wished to have Answered which was Answered in the Affirmation, charged Me with a Dozen lies &c &c</p>

1836	Momento
<p>Augt. 27</p> <p>27 Geo Gesr. Will Law</p> <p>28</p> <p>Ja Ges 28 home went Away again</p> <p>28 Pr. Mg. J L</p>	<p>Overcast till 10 AM, got clear, a Nice Hay Day</p> <p>Yesterday George Gesner and William Lawrence Mowed the Remainder of the Bottom, and cocked it About 32 or 33 Cocks, To Day Mowed a little More in Orchard part, tended and got the 32 In the Barn nearly a Day and 3/4 all together</p> <p>Clear and a Handsome Warm Day all Day, a little Hazy towards night</p> <p>Jacob Gesner came up this Morning home across the River About 10 AM from New York. Returned Again from home About little after one for New York cross the River</p> <p>Prayer Meeting Jonathan Lawrence this Morning. Clark there, Mistress Cooper, Margaret, Mistress Rice not Rachel Gravestine but her daughters, I and Gracy, William Gesner and family Lucy not there, Rachel Gravestine not there, Betsy not there, Jacob Gesner just came, Peg nor Henry there, are at present employed in tattling and lying. Clark spoke well also Jon Lawrence, a good little Meeting</p>
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<p>Augt. 29</p> <p>Rains a little &c</p> <p>Paid 29 Geo Law his hay back &c</p> <p>no 29 Baskets</p> <p>30</p> <p>Wm Law 30</p> <p>at Tallmans 30 Paid Sweetmeats</p> <p>White 31 Frost</p>	<p>Hazy, partly overcast this Morning, Moderately warm, sun comes through by turns all day, near Sun set it begins to Rain a little, clouds from SE</p> <p>William Lawrence and Alfred Miles took the 3/4 load of fresh hay cut in Bottom to George Lawrences in Return for Salt Hay I had of him last spring as was Agreed</p> <p>No Baskets come yet, six gone see 25th</p> <p>Cool, Cloudy this Morning, Wind N westward, wind high from NW in Afternoon, more still in Evening</p> <p>William Lawrence helped greater part of the Day hay in front of Barn, the Rye proved poor, did not cut it, let the Grass grow, cut and put up 16 cocks to Day and 1 Small load in cut Lot, see 27th Instant</p> <p>Yesterday at Taulmans 10 1/2 lb good sugar at 6 shillings 6 pence per 7 lb = 9 shillings 9 pence, paid, With which Gracy Made 8 lb plumbs blue gages and 10 lb sugar</p> <p>Clear and cold, My bottom meadow White with frost this Morning</p>

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Augt. 31	At Herberts half quarter tea, unpaid
Stephen Parsels oxen 31	Stephen Parsels had my Oxen 1/2 day the 16th Instant and 1 Whole Day last week since; Makes 1 1/2 Day drawing stone for his Cellar, unpaid, see 16th Instant
Jersey road worked 31	William Lawrence and Alfred considered one worked on Jersey Road for Me to day all day 8 hours &c, I gave William 2 shillings
Sep. 1 a little Rain	Sky Hazy somewhat overcast this Morning, Clear about 9 AM; but about 3 PM grew cloudy from SW and Rained a little About an hour before Sun set; ceased by or before the sun was down
Jacob Gesner quit work at N York 1	Jacob Gesner came up from New York this Afternoon And brought his chest with tools up
Wm Law 1/2 Day Jon Law Hay &c in Wynchey 1	William Lawrence below, Buck Wheat field Grass, Jon Lawrence helped a While, Alfred, cut grass where I had Buckwheat last year Red top 9 cocks to Day. Rained a little late in Afternoon. Brought the last in, in front of Barn Out of Orchard
Wynchey cleaning 1	Wynche Yesterday and to Day cleaning house for us, had a pound black wool and 3 shillings all paid
1836	Momento
Sep. 2	Clear and cool this Morning, nice Day
Sally here 2	Sally here yesterday helped in cleaning house
Wm. Law. 2	William Lawrence helped about 1/2 Day below in lower field Mowing and took in one Small jag
Henry C. Moved away when they came Peggy's unprovoked Abuse a Devils I thank you 2	Henry Concklin Moved his things from My House Yesterday, they came here April 1 1836. Having no place to go to, they lived in the Old School House The teacher Mr. Chambers came according to his promise last fall to teach the school. Henry had to be out that week, and no place to be got; I told his Wife Peggy who Complained very Much, did not know what to do, nor where to go, I told her I would not see them in distress, nor on the Road; they could come here: So they did, had the large Garret, Stove put up, and had every favour and privilege in the house to accommodate them; but the devil is our thanks; lived very well till near the last; the lies of their Margaret laid a foundation for Peggy to expose her ignorance temper and abusive tongue, I was scandalously abused by her, and gave no cause nor Reason

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Sept. 3	Rains a little this Morning, wind SE but Clouds seem mostly from South, then mostly clear
Thos. 3 Pennoyre & Wife &c here &c	Yesterday Thomas Pennoyre; wife, Motherinlaw and Betsy Scudder came here from Mistress Scudders, James Posts Waggon and his horse too, Alfred went down and fetched them, He Thomas was here the day before and contrived the business
Hay 3 Small jag	I and Alfred this afternoon fetched yesterdays Mowing in 9 Cocks, not opened to day, not very Dry, a Small jag
	4 Overcast early this Morning; But cleared off About 8 or 9 AM, Afternoon clear; Midday warm
Pr. Mg. 4 J Law	Prayer Meeting Jonathan Lawrences this Morning. I there, Jacob Gesner and Betsy there, Margaret, Rachel Gravestine, Lucy and Rachels Girls with the family is all that was there
Trenchard 4 wife & Caty Mann just in	Jesse Trenchard and wife and Caty Mann just stopped in this Afternoon to see us, had been as far as David Concklins, Fampy Concklin sick

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Sep. 5	Overcast and a little foggy this Morning, drops a little by turns, clears Away
Obb Oxen 5	Obb oxen 3/4 Day drawing stone out of My upper field &c
Sent to 5 Market	Sent with Orange Simon V 2 Barrels and 3 Baskets of the Golden Apples to Day
Sarah Ann 5 Moison	Sarah Ann Moison came here about 11 AM, Went Away the 7th just after Breakfast
Company 5 parade at Herbts.	Company Parade to Day appointed at Herbert Gesner's. Stephen Lawrence Captain, and Requoy Liert
At Taulman 5 Sug &c Paid	At Taulmans 7 lb Sugar 6 shillings 6 pence and 1 blank form of a Warrantee Deed 1 shilling = 7 shillings 6 pence paid, fetched by Alfred
At Herbts. 5 paid	At Herberts 1/2 lb black tea 2 shillings fetched by Alfred, 2 shillings was give to him for Big Hyson, had so Many in shop after Training, would not Attend, and gave him 1/2 lb black, Alfred said he gave him the 2 shillings, said it was Right
Woodruff 6 no Prg. at JL	Woodruff to Camp Meeting see 10th Instant
Return 6 of fruit	Return of yesterday's fruit to Market 14 shillings for the 2 Barrels and 12 shillings for the 3 Baskets, Got a Barrel Swill 5 shillings and freight 4 shillings 3 pence but only one empty Barrel came back.

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Sep. 6 Sweet Mts.	Gracy Made Damsen plumb sweet Meats 7 lb of each
Obb Oxen 6	Obb Oxen 1/4 Day and Waggon, drew Hay
7	Clear but I have seen no frost this Morning. The Wind part of the day eastward and Southeastward
Grass &c 7	Cut Grass in the Swamp below, I and Alfred. Brought in the last 4 or 5 Cocks lower field
7 Joe Dubois Raised Barn Across old lane was laid out Judge Haring &c a plot see over	7 Joe Dubois raised his barn to Day and Set it across the Road old lane Which had been laid out by Garret Demarest General John Blauvelt Commissioners of Roads and Judge Westervelt from Tenaflly and Judge Haring Surveyor 7 or 8 Years Ago for the use of the Neighbours to go to their land, Obb Cooper had at that time Notice from the Said Commissioners to Remove the Obstacles he had put in the Way, And the Copy of the laying out of the Road and the use thereof for the Neighbours drawn up by Judge Haring at that time, I present, to be entered on Record as a Road, this was no doubt a plot between Judge Haring and John G Concklin in order to prevent me thereafter &c which now is become Manifest by raising this Barn; I bore 1/2 the expenses which was 3 Dollars, the whole was 6

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<p>Sep. 7 Some Acct. here given of Judge Harings &c J. G. Concklins low cunning Respecting the Road</p> <p>8</p>	<p>In being hindered Some time After the laying out of this Road, which was also intended by Father Gesner in his division of his farm, I went and inquired of Judge Westervelt, who said the copy drawn up at the time the Road was laid out must either be in John G. Concklins hands or Judge Harings to be put on the Record, also of John K. Blauvelt one of the Commissioners, being not at home, he wrote me a letter and said this Copy was left with J. G. Concklin or Judge John D. Haring Which they the Commissioners had Signed, to be put on Record; But previous to this inquiry, I had been both to the town of Harrington Bergen County Records and the Road Was not on Record, and so it is this Day, I have used this Road above 40 Years &c. This among Many is one of Judge Harings low Cunning and Sordid Acts, duplicity Duplicity, one face before and one face behind; in the Grave he now performs no More this Mean and Despisable Craft</p> <p>Overcast this Morning a little Misty, little or no Wind. Clear in evening</p>
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<p>Sep. 8 Taulmans paid</p> <p>Herbts. 8 Deed to Oddy &c I wrote or filled &c</p> <p>Warm 9</p> <p>Hay 9 Mowed</p> <p>Jon L 9 Ship timber</p> <p>1 Barrl. 9 & 1 Baskt apples &c Empty things dont come yet &c</p>	<p>At Peter and Charles Taulmans 7 lb of sugar Again of Avanna Sugar 6 shillings,, 9 pence paid</p> <p>To Day I filled up a Blank form of a Deed from Herbert Gesner to (Oddy) Frederick W Cammann of the city and county of New York transferring an Acre of Salt Meadow for 90</p> <p>Overcast, Misty again this Morning, Clear at 9 AM. This is a very warm Day, clouds from the Westward, very warm</p> <p>Another small load coarse hay from the Swamp to Day I and Alfred, I mowed 8 Cocks and put them up</p> <p>Jonathan Lawrence Getting Ships Timber this Week 2 or 3 Days, began in My Woods for John Willsey and Company</p> <p>Sent 1 Barrel and one Basket Apples to Market to Day. Jacob Gesner took them to Snedens landing for me with Oxen and Waggon, sent with Boatman Only 1 Barrel is returned or come back of the 2 Barrels and 3 Baskets sent the 5th Instant, the Bills are come but not the empty things, 2 Barrels are behind yet of what Jacob Gesner took to Market, see the 24th August last</p>

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Sep. 10	Overcast this Morning, wind NE, looks for a Storm; all day overcast with a Mist by turns
M. Pt. 10 Quarterly Meetg. &c	Methodist Protestant Quarterly Meeting Commences to day at Pond Church, looks very much for a storm I did not go on that account
Camp 10 Meeting see 20th Inst. St. boat Rockland Sunk	Methodist Protestant Camp Meeting began Monday the 5th Instant at Croton above Tarry town, And broke up Yesterday or to Day, See 28th Instant. I did not go nor any from Rockland neighbourhood
10 Obb Oxen Stone 1/4 Day &c	Obb oxen, took them just after 12 and drew Stone Again out of my upper field; before Night he Went Jacob Gesner along to Snedens landing for a Barrel of Swill. And he brought one Barrel also with his for Me, Say then 1/4 Day + to Day, it was dusk when he got back from River. Jacob Gesners Barrel did not come
Sweet 10 Meats &c	Gracy made lemon clings Sweet Meats this Afternoon, 5 lb of peaches and 4 lb white Avanna Sugar
Returns 10 also some beans & a fowl 4 sh	Sent Yesterday 1 Barrel Apples and 1 Basket, Return to day 8 shillings for the Barrel and only 3 shillings for Basket, this Basket had nice apples, and large Basket too little

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Sep. 11	Rains till near 12 Moderately, overcast all Day, Wind NE
No Pr. 11 Meetg. at J. Lawrences did not go to Quarterly Meeting &c	No Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences to Day, Rains Some of us Myself, Jonathan Lawrence and Sally And I heard David Blauvelt and Lucy was to go this Morning to Quarterly Meeting at Pond Church; but were prevented all of us by Rain
Misty 12 &c things wanted Rain	Overcast this Morning with some Mist and Rain, Moderately Warm; the Wind very still, this little Rain of Yesterday &c has done much good, potatoes, corn and Buckwheat Suffered for Rain &c
Wm. F. 12 Harris	William F. Harris came here this Afternoon stay'd all Night
	13 Overcast this Morning, breaks away by 10 o'clock AM and warm all Day, clouds from Westward
Wm. F. 13 Harris I Recd. 13 fees of D. Tallman	William F. Harris went after Breakfast to visit his friends
	13 To Day I Received My fees as an Appraiser of the Goods of John Iseman Deceased, 2 Dollars of David I Tallman Executor. I gave a Receipt

NOTE: Nicholas must have just realized that the correct word for his page heading is Memento, "a reminder of what is past or gone," not Momento.

1836	Memento
<p>Sep. 14 Warm warm</p>	<p>Overcast this Morning partly; sky looks misty, Clear about 10 And a very warm Day with Clouds from the West</p>
<p>Miss 14 Beaumont Died</p>	<p>Mistress Beaumont Died at Johnny Lawrences About 9 AM to Day With Dropsy. Yesterday Morning Doctor Cornelison came and endeavoured to Draw or tap the water from her but could not, some matter was on the end of his probe &c</p>
<p>14 Worked on Road</p>	<p>Oddy Road Master for the first this Year, Worked the Road on Snedens hill, I and Alfred Worked each 8 Hours</p>
<p>15</p>	<p>Sky is overcast this Morning but clouds compact from the west Warm very warm</p>
<p>15 Wm. Harris came & went Away his visit his study Where, is to continue</p>	<p>William F. Harris Came here After having been gone in August last two years better to a Seminary at Geneva New York state to school. Visited his friends, stay'd One Night with me, One with Brother Clark and one with Jonathan Lawrence, bid us Adieu about 10 o'clock AM, went and Stopped at Herberts, bid farewell. I accompanied him to Sally's, Ate Dinner About 12 then bidding farewell little after 12 and went to Snedens to be set Across the River for New York, then to West Point And</p>

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Sep. 15 Pen Knife	On to College at or Near Utica expecting to prosecute his studies 3 years yet His pen knife is left at Sally's
Mist. 15 Beaumont buried	Mistress Beaumont buried this afternoon, invitation at 2 o'clock PM
	16 Overcast this Morning, Some sprinkling Rains; but very little Warm, overcast all day
Sent to 16 Market	Sent with Boatman 1 Barrel and 2 Baskets apples
J. L. 16 Oxen	William Lawrence Used the Oxen 1/2 Day drawing stuff from River home —
	17 Overcast, a Scud from the SE and a little Misty this Morning. Moderately warm, Cloudy all Day
17 I collected School House &c	I went to the Slote, Collected the school house tax from John C. Blanch and Widow Mabie Rachel of Stephen Hagen wife And the remaining 2 Dollars of Zeb Woolsey
17 Vendue at New school House I paid	Sold this Afternoon by Herbert Gesner One of trustees. The filling up of the door Yard of the New School House, Herbert was the lowest bidder 18 Dollars And 3 Small lots of board, one of some joists and a few Shingles I bought one lot of poor boards 2 shillings 6 pence paid Herbert

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<p>Sep. 17 Anne Brush &c Brought letter for me from Abm. Ges &c</p>	<p>Anne Brush and Son Peter came up from New York by land to My house just Day light off, about 8 PM, Horse and Waggon. Brought a letter from Abraham Gesner Dated August to Me; they were well, had not heard particular of Henry and his family in 5 Months Abraham had seen a New York paper wherein the Brower concern Against Trinity church was Stated &c. Anne and Peter Stay'd all night.</p>
<p>JL Oxen 18</p>	<p>Jonathan Lawrence Oxen 1/2 Day, Stuff from River</p>
	<p>18 Clear and Moderate, Warm a very nice Morning and a clear warm Day, not any wind of consequence</p>
<p>18 Anne Brush & Peter went away I asked about Abms. order haps he has Recd. it and used it &c</p>	<p>18 Anne Brush and son Peter Went away this Morning About 10 AM for New York. It appears that Anne was very desirous to know the contents of the letter she brought me from Abraham Gesner see above , probably on Account of the Order Abraham sent to her James last Spring a Year Ago, probably expecting he had Wrote to me concerning Said Order of 50 Dollars on Some One, to know whether James had Received it; but nothing of it mentioned in this letter; but Abraham Wrote me at the same time last Spring a Year Ago that he had sent an Order to her son James. I asked her last evening whether James had Received the 50 Dollars and she seemed at a loss to answer as though she did not know, altho they live in the same house; NB it was to be delivered to me, per=</p>

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<p>Sep. 18 as they Went away Betsy &c Herfords wife came some Account &c</p>	<p>As Anne Brush and Peter was going Away in front to get in the Waggon Betsy Anne's Sister , Wife of Sylvester Herford living some years at West Troy, the Daughter of Brother John Gesner Deceased, came in front in Henry Gesners Waggon with Phebe Henry's Daughter and his boy to see us, All Met in front, after a little conversation Anne and Peter Went away and Betsy &c came in and Stay'd till a little after 11 and Returned to Nyack. She Betsy intends to take Steam boat for Troy next Wednesday I expect she lives a hard life, her Husband went and left her About 8 Years ago which is the second time, has I expect 6 children probably he is a Villain, yes and is so to forsake his young children &c</p>
<p>Pr. Meetg. 18 Jon Law No Peggy &c</p>	<p>Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning. I was not there, prevented by unexpected company. Lucy, Margaret and Rachel, Brother Clark and little daughter, Jacob Gesner was there. I, Gracy, Jacob Gesner's Wife and Mistress Cooper not there Peggy Concklin has abandoned All Meetings &c</p>
<p>Warm 19 some time</p>	<p>Very foggy this Morning; but warm many days, Dry; but few Days the past Summer has exceeded this Day for Warmth soon clear and warm</p>
<p>to Market 19</p>	<p>Sent 2 Baskets Apples Down with boatman</p>
<p>JL Oxen 19</p>	<p>Jonathan Lawrence Oxen Drawing Stuff from River 1/2 Day</p>

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Sep. 19	I at Peter and Charles Taulmans this Afternoon			
Bought at Taulmans all paid		Sh.	Pence	
	near 3 yards Cord at 3 shillings per Yard	1..	2..	6
	1 Yard Velvet for an under Jackcoat	0..	4..	6
	8 Buttons 4 pence & Skin Silk 6 pence	0..	0..	10
	1 1/2 Yard Black Muslin	0..	1..	6
	Portage 19 cents for N Papers & 1 shilling			
	6 pence for letter	0..	3..	0
	I think this letter was paid before	1..	12..	4
Beef paid	Beef of Cornelius Doremus 3 1/2 at 9 p at JL	0..	2..	7
Houses	At Houses teneriff Wine — — —	0..	3..	3
warm 20 Dry	Clear and very Warm this Morning and all the Night, part and all this Day very Warm and Ground very Dry			
Weaving 20 paid	I Paid Auriansen to day for wool upon Wool Woven last Spring early 20 shillings 4 pence it was at 8 shillings per ell			
he came 20 Woodruff Pd. at Jon. Law.	Woodruff here at 11 AM Ate dinner, Preached at Jonathan Lawrences to Night, about 10 or 20 Hearers Lucy, Margaret, Eley, I, Gracy, George Lawrence, Ginnet, Wynche she attends almost every time of Preaching John D. Concklin &c a Good discourse from			

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Sep. 21	Cloudy and grew Overcast by 12, Sprinkled Rain a little in Afternoon
Woodruff Wt. Away Peekskill	21 Woodruff here before breakfast, ate, I sent for his Horse, he went away About 8 AM intending to ride opposite Peekskill and go over to a protracted Meeting at Peekskill yet to day
Obb Oxen 21 on a charge	Obb Oxen to Draw small jag coarse Hay from Clarks Meadow, no charge
Sally cut 21 Trowzers Betsy & Mary	Yesterday Sally cut my cordroy trowzers. This afternoon Jacob Gesner's wife Betsy and Mary Lawrence began to Make it, Mary stay'd all night
Rain's 22	Thinly Overcast this Morning, thickens And Rains about 12 Moderately, not Hard
Mary 22 Lawrence	Mary Lawrence went home about 10 AM, Sewed some on My trowzers this Morning, came back in Afternoon
Will. Law. 22 &c	I and William Lawrence and Alfred cut a little About 1 1/2 Hour in bog Meadow before it Rained
Poke 22 Steer	Put a poke on My big steer

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Sep. 23 flaws of Rain	Look for Rain, some mostly overcast this Morning, Clears Away very warm About 11 AM, Midday very warm, in Afternoon About 3 Clouds up, several little flaws of Rain very Moderate
Friday 23 Market Gracy's Ewe Flowers Nauty	Jacob Gesner took for me 4 Barrels Apples and Gracy's old Ewe, but thin, and 6 large Chickens cleaned, and some beautiful bunches of flowers, 16 Bunches. Nauty Cooper went along
Betsy 23 Ja Ges's wife at Coopers to Nt.	Betsy Jacob Gesners Wife went this Afternoon to Obb Cooper her Mother and Father lives there and Moved there About 2 or 3 Weeks Ago and Stay'd all Night
24	Overcast this morning, wind NE, looks rainy it Rained very little last Night, if any, pretty clear in Afternoon, clouds from NE, still warm
24 Timmerman here & after prayer Went away	Timmerman Methodist Protestant Minister came here about One o'clock this Afternoon, started this Morning About 6 from Newark New Jersey, he came from the city of Philadelphia a few Days Ago, had been to see his Mother and his Step Father, &c. After his horse was well fed and himself Refreshed, he pursued on his journey about half past 4 PM to Glassy point 4 Miles above Haverstraw, to meet his wife there, we could not prevail on him to Stay and preach to Morrow

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Sep. 24 Returns of Market laid out &c	Returns of Yesterdays freight ie 4 Barrels Apples 6 shillings per Barrel = 24 shillings 3 pair chickens 2 shillings 6 pence a pair = 10 shillings 6 pence Gracy's old Ewe 6 shillings for Skin And 10 shillings for the Meat it was poor = 16 shillings = 50 shillings 6 pence in all. Jacob Gesner bought for us 1/2 hundred weight Rye Meal 15 shillings and 1/4 Indian Meal 6 shillings and 7 lb Sugar 5 shillings 6 pence and 1 Barrel thick Swill 4 shillings 6 pence the freight 2 shillings unpaid freight between 6 and 7 shillings leaves from the first sum About 13 shillings —
25	Clear and Cool, Wind Sprang up About 3 o'clock last Night and blew hard from the Westward, Afternoon Wind not so high, cool evening, perhaps frost to Night
Pr. Mg. 25 Jon. Law. Mary Law &c to Tappan church	Prayer Meeting Jonathan Lawrences this Morning. I, Jacob Gesner and wife, Mistress Cooper, Lucy, Margaret and Rachel Gravestines two Girls and the family; but Mary Lawrence with George Manns 2 Girls to Tappan Church
26 Frost	Cool this Morning, and low Meadows, White frost, Wind Westward All Day, clear and nice through the Day
26 Description of this Month Dry	This Month has been generally warm and very Warm, I dont remember of seeing frost this Month before this Morning, nothing injured here, the Month has been very Dry

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<p>Sep. 26 Provisions High</p>	<p>NB Times are hard for Many, provisions is high, Harvest poor, yes very poor, corn poor generally, Buckwheat indifferent, Oats plenty of Straw; but Oats light — Rye flour per hundred weight 30 shillings — Indian 24 shillings, Rye per Barrel \$7.25 — Wheat flour \$9.50 and \$10.00, Meat high 8 pence or 9 pence in the Country &c</p>
<p>I and 26 ship timber J. Law.</p>	<p>I with Oxen and Sled and William D. Concklin drew Ship timber 7 times out of My Woods and 3 times out of Jacob Posts woods to the Road 1 Day nearly — this the first use of Oxen I think on this intended vessel</p>
<p>Rain 27</p>	<p>Rain this Morning early, not very hard, before 12 it breaks away into Clouds and a brisk Wind from the West, in the evening still, nearly</p>
<p>At 27 Herbts.</p>	<p>At Herberts 2 Half Quires paper 2 shillings paid a few Days after, NB I there said they should not set it Down</p>
<p>Old Man 27 Ragged appeared in liquor here to Night</p>	<p>This evening an old beggarly looking Man came in About half after 8 asking to stay. I consented; he Appeared half Drunk, and silly in talk and Gestures; gave him something to eat and Made his bed on the kitchen floor. He said he came from Hudson, and was travelling down on his Way to Long Island, 60 Miles from New York, he said he was 70 years Old, was very White his head, had 11 Children, his Wife died</p>

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Sep. 27 Old Man 28 Went Away	The Old Man (said his name was Ward) Went off before we was out of bed — see last of last page looked like a beggar but Asked for Nothing but to stay last Night
28	Sky full of thin watery looking Clouds this Morning, cool only partly clear Midday late in the Afternoon Dark Clouds west NW
Cut 28 Buckwheat	Cut My Buckwheat over the Run Yesterday and next Richards Over the Road on the top &c to Day, Where I had planted yellow corn last Spring and the striped worm destroyed it; And put buckwheat in it
28 Steam Boat Rockland Sunk &c see 10th Inst.	Steam Boat Rockland was Run on the Rocks Near Shore in taking passengers or people to Camp Meeting Methodist Protestant and was Sunk; no lives lost, nor losses to the passengers that I've understood: Several efforts it appears have been Made with Vessels to Raise her; but without Success as Yet, see 10th Instant
Rain 29	Overcast and Rainy this Morning, cold &c, light Wind from the NE or NE by N, Afternoon partly clear and at Night clear cold
Ja Ges 29 found sheep	Jacob Gesner hunted for sheep, found them, put them in Stable, intending to kill

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Sep. 30 Frost &c	Cold, a very heavy frost this Morning, ground somewhat frozen, a Nice clear Day; but cool
To Market 30 with Ja Ges's Sheep &c	I sent with Jacob Gesner to Market 6 Barrels Nice Summer pippins, And I let him have My black ewe for 20 shillings very good, and the Sheep I got of Jacob Post in exchange for a black sheep for 12 shillings, very poor And My Ewe Lamb of this year Middling for 12 shillings, ie he had 3 of me, and he got one of J. G. Concklin
Letty 30 Post	Letty Blanches child buried to Day
Margt. 30 here	Margaret here on visit this Afternoon
Oct. 1	Overcast, close clouded, appears heavy, moving from SW, not very cold this Morning, very cloudy all Day
Returns 1 Ja Ges paid Me see above He took false Note	Jacob Gesner back from New York, got for My Summer pippins 6 Barrels 1 per Barrel = 6 , he bought 3 Sheep as above gave me 5 50 cents his charge and freight off he gave me \$8.06, I gave him 4 shillings More than his demands; but of my Money he laid out for Sally 6 shillings for Cucumbers and Cheese, this 6 shillings she owes me Jacob Gesner took a 5 Note false in selling a pair of fowls for Account of J. G. Concklin, Obb was down &c
Hobbs 1	Brother Hobbs came here near sun set to Day Waggon and Horse, Drank tea and evening to Sally

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<p data-bbox="293 296 386 327">Octo. 2</p> <p data-bbox="228 411 358 516">Pr. Mg. Jon Law. Hobbs &c</p> <p data-bbox="220 600 350 747">Br. Hobbs Preached at Jon Law to Nt.</p> <p data-bbox="228 873 375 936">Gracy's birth Day</p>	<p data-bbox="431 296 894 327">Cloudy and Windy from SW, not cold</p> <p data-bbox="431 380 1430 516">2 Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning, only a few, Myself, Gracy, Lucy, Margaret, the 2 girls of Gravestine small Ginnet Lawrence, Brother Clark, Wynechy Cooper and family and Brother Hobbs He spoke beautiful to the few, a Heavenly time, Jon Lawrence spoke well and so did Brother Clark</p> <p data-bbox="431 569 1406 831">2 Brother Hobbs Preached at Jonathan Lawrences to Night, Above 30 Hearers from these words "Work while it is day the Night cometh when no Man can Work" Spoke exceeding good, very feeling and impressive a Solemn time, I Gracy, Jacob Gesner and Wife Mistress Cooper, Lucy, Margaret, Ben Gravestine and Rachel, Mary Ann Gesner, Ginnet Lawrence &c. But Eley attends the old side, she dont attend our preaching any More, she has not been once to our Prayer Meetings, since she lived at Rockland</p> <p data-bbox="431 873 781 905">3 Gracy's Birth Day, born 1764</p>
1836	Memento
<p data-bbox="293 1203 386 1234">Octo. 3</p> <p data-bbox="220 1276 358 1423">Hobbs Went away gave him 1 Dollar</p> <p data-bbox="237 1434 342 1539">Betsy Quilting Bey</p> <p data-bbox="237 1549 326 1581">Stalks</p> <p data-bbox="204 1665 383 1885">David Mann in Rage not only but an evident Scoundrell</p>	<p data-bbox="431 1203 911 1234">Clear all Day and cool, wind Northerly</p> <p data-bbox="431 1287 1422 1392">3 Brother Hobbs went away near 11 AM to Day, Ate Breakfast here; but stay'd at Jonathan Lawrences last Night with waggon and Horse and little Girl who stay'd at Sally's I Gave him 1 Dollar</p> <p data-bbox="431 1434 1414 1507">3 Betsy Jacob Gesner's wife quilting this afternoon and finished, had a good Many to Help</p> <p data-bbox="431 1549 773 1581">3 Cut my Stalks, all of to Day</p> <p data-bbox="431 1623 1406 1885">3 George Manns David came here in a Violent passion to Day, Jacob Gesner present behind My house; I was Grinding Knives to cut Corn Stalks, He asked me "I come to see if you Mean to take care of your creatures and make your fence or not" I Answered, they get through your fence said "thats no such thing they get through your fence and if you dont keep them out I'll take them to the Pound" I Answered, take them as soon as you have a Mind to, they come through your fence</p>

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<p style="text-align: center;">Octo. 3</p> <p>David Manns Niggardly Principle Made Manifest by his own Conduct</p>	<p>And I'll go this Minute and Show you to the Contrary. He Said you cant do it; I said you come here in Such Masterly Manner, I'll go, I am now Ready I said Jake Gesner will you go along for if someone is not along, he May say anything Afterwards Jacob Gesner Replied to me, you better get some one else to go I said to My Boy Alfred Get the Axe and come along The Lordly Gentleman did not seem as though he cared to go with me I told him come I'm determined to Show you, that your fence is down and has been for 3 Months in several places and the best is very poor He Replied in the Most impudent Manner, filled with the Spirit of the Devil, My fence is up, and they have come though your fence, and last summer they come constantly in My Wood land. I Answered I have never seen or Known it, so We proceeded on to the fence and I told him I'll soon Show you, your fence what it is, and has been for the greater part of the Summer. He said, I know its no such thing. I said then I must lie, he in the most scoundrelly Manner said I lied, Alfred and Jacob Gesner both said that in the course of the dispute heard him call me a liar 5 or 6 times. I then told him that he was a Mean impertinent Scoundrel and unprincipled fellow to abuse An Old Man, that had Spoken every Word in truth &c. Coming near the fence, he said come here I'll show you where they come through, look how all your fence is. I Answered thats none of your business</p>
1836	Memento
<p style="text-align: center;">Octo. 3</p> <p>A true Acct of his Meanness</p>	<p>You have no other business than where our land joins He the Mean fellow had just twitted me, that I was always Meddling Myself with other peoples business; I answered, only when I was called on to do business for them; but I defyed that assertion to be proven — So I told him I'll first show you your own fence and Where they did come through, we came up; I said you have Mended your fence this very day in Several places and still not lawful coming to the fence mended behold there lay his Axe on his side I said to him you are a Mean principled fellow, first Mend your fence where the track of the creatures show the place and I'll prove to you, it has laid down in several places for at the least 2 or 3 Months and now come to Me with a lying Mouth and the Most impertinent abuse I ever heard and falsely said and you know better, that they did not go through My fence, and that you Would take them to the pound, giving me the lye Several times; you are pretty fellow indeed. Jacob Gesner followed after and heard some of it While Standing on his side of the fence; Now said I we will look at My part where you first wanted to take me, so there is now no part worse than Yours, the half of this is Staked and Ridered. The Whole was newly laid last summer a Year Ago, And no Creature has been over there this summer I Know nor since and besides all this No Creature has run in this lot for some time, And You wanted first to Mend yours, and try by lying to succeed in your Scandalous Abuse to make me give up to your insult And no Creature has run in the lot all this time See over</p>

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<p>Octo. 3</p> <p>A true Account of it</p> <p>Remark</p> <p>Meanness</p> <p>he owned he had mended then &c</p>	<p>The truth is that the fence Adjoining me on both My lots has been down I am certain nearly all Summer and by places so bad, that a creature could Step over, and all the way, very rotten and low, and Remained so untill this Day, he mended up Several low places, and then let me know in the Manner he did, with the Abusive impudence and Giving Me the lye when I told him My creatures had not come through My fence for I know they did not run in that lot, and knew his fence was down, and not put down by Any creature but rotten down &c My Creatures had been in 3 times I know, one Night I think friday night last, Alfred could not find them in the following Morning, I went and found them in his lot, Alfred told me they had been in twice afterwards, besides. I Mended a place or two having no Axe but slightly, the fence most all the way very poor of his, on this lot My fence was Good he did not want to take me there he told me at the Dispute that the Renwicks had told him they had been in his lot all the Week, this I know not to be true</p> <p>What Sort of principle Must a person profess first to Make up his own bad fence not thrown down by Creatures for they would not jump over 3 Rails and then Come and Abuse An Old Man About taking care of his Creatures and to Make up his fence and would take to pound better than his on the same lot, And Where no Creatures did Run in this time And he knew, they came through his own Where he had Mended it that same day where his Axe did lay, and had at last to own before Jacob Gesner and Alfred he had Mended it, and he came right down and Abused me, but he did not expect it appears that I would go With him to see, Mean! &c</p>

1836	Memento
Octo. 4	Cloudy All Day, Appears for a storm, in the Evening it Rains wind NE hard Wind
Woodruff 4 came here	Woodruff down with horse at My house About 11 AM, Ate Dinner Afternoon to see his little Daughter at Eley's
Woodruff 4 Prayr. Mg. at J Law,	Woodruff Preached at Jonathan Lawrences or Rather exhorted as none but myself Alfred and Wynche Cooper came and family, had a Prayer Meeting, it rained
Rain 5	Rains this Morning and some through the Night past and continues raining all Day, wind first NE and Afternoon SE, stops Raining last Night
Woodruff 5 went away left his little Daughter	Woodruff came here from Sally's About 1/2 after one PM, took Horse and Went away About 4 PM to Go to Brother Cornelisons, took his little daughter from Eley Westervelts and left her with Sally, it appears he can not Afford to pay her board
Thursd 6	Dark clouds from the NorthWestward cool wind, Cloudy thick black cold clouds all Day
Jon Law 6 Oxen timber	Oxen Jon Lawrence timber 1 Day see 26th September, 1 Day since William Concklin timber for Jon Lawrence, Neck and Slote. Do 1/2 Day Do and twice firewood timber a 1/2 Day and a turn &c see over

1836	Memento	
Octo. 6		
Frost	7	Clear Cold White frost this Morning, in the Afternoon very Cloudy, cold Wind westward
Sally & Gracy to Clarks	7	Sally and Gracy to Brother Clarks for peaches this Afternoon Gracy took some wool to the Carding Machine as they went, back in the Night, they had Jacob Posts Horse &c Sarah along
Cut Apples to dry	7	Cut Apples to Night, Betsy Beasley, Sally Beasley, William Lawrence, Mary Lawrence Were the Numbers, Alfred yet, I was sick, and Gracy did not come home till a little while in Evening
Stalks	7	Tied up Stalks to Day upper Yard and turned Buckwheat
Made Scaffold	7	Made Scaffold to Dry Apples yesterday
Sat.	8	Clear and Cold, Sky very Blue this Morning, Some Clouds in the Afternoon
Threshed Buckwheat but much destroyed	8	Threshed the Buckwheat to Day was cruelly destroyed by Obb Coopers Hens and Would not on Repeated notices take ? of them) over the Run
At Herbts. unpaid	8	At Herbts About this time 7 lb Wheat flour 3 shillings, Unpaid

1836	Memento
Octo. 9	Nearly clear this Morning, Mid day cloudy, at Night Clear and feels frosty, wind very light through the Day, the greater part of the Day easterly at night the air seems Westerly
Prayr. 9 Meeting at J. Law. Eley West. Attends old side Peg. & Hen. Shook off	Prayer Meeting Jonathan Lawrences this Morning, our Number seems Small. I, Rachel Gravestine and Girl Mistress Rice and Lucy with the family were the Number Attending. Jonathan Lawrence by way of exhorted the few in the most feeling Manner, "fear not little flock &c" and his own experiences Rendered the time of solemn feeling &c Jacob Gesner and wife Mistress Cooper and Gracy not there. Eley Westervelt, I am informed tends to the Old Side Meetings and Peggy Concklin, she and Henry have shook off all Obligations and engagements, And if they avoid tattling and lying it will so far be well, which they are both guilty of in the Most Shameful Manner &c
2 Wild 9 cats shot	Wild Cats, 2 Shot by Bil Thompson in the Mountain near Jim Olivers Yesterday Morning or this Morning
Paid 9 Dan Vervalen for Alfred &c	Paid Daniel Vervalen, Met him on the road this side Where John Willse his Fatherinlaw lives and gave him his Cut for Alfreds Schooling, 80 cents
10	Clear Cold this Morning, clear all Day a Nice day
Lucy 10 here	Lucy Here to Day to see Betsy, came about 10 AM. Stay'd till sunset. See over

1836	Memento
<p>Octo. 10 Mary Ann Here</p>	<p>Mary Ann Herberts wife came here to see Gracy About 2 PM</p>
<p>Sally 10 here</p>	<p>Sally came about 4 PM after tea, went away just sunset with Lucy and Mary Ann</p>
<p>10 To Market 11 Barrels & 2 Baskets with Ja Gesner &c</p>	<p>I sent to Day with Jacob Gesner to Market 7 Barrels summer pippins, 1 Barrel big Red Apples near the house, 1 Barrel little Red Apples over the Road And 1 Basket of the pye Apples over Road And Jacob on halves 1 Barrel Domina and 1 Vandaveers Also one Basket, ie I for Myself 9 Barrels and 1 Basket And Jacob Gesner for Me on Shares 2 Barrels and one Basket, Went twice With My Waggon and Oxen, took Down 1 Barrel for Swill for Me and one for Obb to Snedens landing</p>
<p>11</p>	<p>Cloudy and over cast all Day, Wind part of the Day Southeastward, at Night NE looks very stormy</p>
<p>Shot 11 2 of Phebe's fowls</p>	<p>To Day by My Direction Alfred shot 2 of Phebe's large chickens; a large drove of 12 or 14 Run in My buckwheat and Destroy it scandalous, I in the most civil Manner gave them notice 4 times, twice Myself to Richard and Yesterday I told Richard if he could not put them up a Day or 2 till I</p>

1836	Memento
<p>Octo II They would not take any care of them on several Notices poor christianity</p>	<p>I could thresh it, to let his boys watch them. They had nothing to do; but they never Made their Boys look after them; And from Year to Year in the constant damages I sustained by their drove of fowls I never saw one of the family offer to drive them out of My grain, when directly in their view, and having frequent motive, seeing Me chasing them out sometimes 3, 4 and 5 times a Day. The last notice I gave Phebe, which was Yesterday, she told Alfred so he said they was not fat enough yet to kill, Since they would not order their idle boys to keep them out, nor put them up only a Day or 2, I ordered Alfred this Morning to shoot them only only, The Buckwheat their fowls had Run and Destroyed it from the time it first got seed; but in the Sheaf they destroyed it shamefully, perhaps not short of the quarter part of the piece &c</p>
<p>Returns II owes me yet 14 sh less 1 sh = 13 sh II Pennoyres daughter shot & desired some one to pray Garret Onderdonk</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner back, My Apples came to 8.37 1/2 see 10th Laid Out and expenses left 4.25. He paid Me 20 shillings and Owes me yet 1.75. He paid 1 shilling for Molasses for Gracy</p> <p>A Terrible Accident one of Cooks boys with a pistol to Day Afternoon shot Pennoyres young Daughter in the Side, was at her grand Mothers New Landing the poor Girl said she would die, requested her Grand Mother to pray for her and others, but none could pray. Garret Onderdonk was sent for, talked with her and prayed</p>

1836	Memento
Octo. 12	A bad storm near all last Night, hard Rain Wind High from NE, continues a bad Storm near all Day, in the Evening Clear and wind NW
Pennoyres 12 Girl died	Pennoyres Girl died last Night, Was Shot by Cooks boy see 11th
13	Clear and a Very handsome Day but little Wind from SW
Gracy 13 to see &c	Gracy went down to Betsy scudders about 12 to See the unfortunate Dead Girl of Pennoyre
Betsy 13 bk went &c	Jacob Gesners Wife back about 10 AM from Peggy Quidors, Went there 11th Instant early in the Morning
Tho. 13 Pennoyre & wife Sally &c	Pennoyre and Sally his Wife &c from New York city this Afternoon to see their little unfortunate Dead Daughter, Shot by Cooks Boy
1836	Memento
Octo. 14	Clear and Moderate this morning and all Day; but Cloudy
Road 14	Work on the Road to Day, I did not work, Oddie Road Master
Sarah 14 Pennoyre Buried Her Father Mother sister & Brother went to City	Sarah the unfortunate child of Pennoyre shot see 11th Buried about 11 o'clock AM at the Burying place at Lawrences, her Coffin was put on the top of Daniel Posts, her Father and Mother, Gracy Ann Pennoyre Ayres and Theodore, her Sister and Brother, all Went home to the city with Steam Boat Orange from Snedens this Afternoon, I and Gracy Accompanied them to Snedens Landing
Nails paid 14 Obb Oxen	Bought 1 lb 8 penny Nails at Larry's paid. Obb Oxen 1 load from Mountain
15	Cloudy this Morning Moving from West not cold
Herbt. 15 Apples he paid	Yesterday I let Herbert have the Apples in the Row of Domina Apples by John Willseys for 4 Dollars, he paid me down in full, he had a great Bargain. I had not examined the trees. He must have had above 15 Barrels picked Apples

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Octo. 15 Shoes at Houses pd	at Houses 1 Pair coarse Shoes, round toes, high quarters, long spun pieces, 15 shillings paid
15 at Taulmans Nails paid	At Taulmans 2 lb 12 penny Nails, 1 lb six penny = 2 shillings and 1/2 lb cut lath Nails 5 pence, all paid
Sally 15 fixed coat	Sally fixed my Blue coat, cut off the long Skirts and of them made new cuffs
15 I was just left wanted to go to Haverstraw Quarterly &c	I went down to Mouth of creek to get on board of Rockland for Haverstraw (being her first trip since she was sunk about the 5th of September) And I was not more than 1 1/2 Minutes late, I was already quite Advance on the long Dock; but she Started, and I was left; I wished to have Attended a Special Quarterly Conference at Haverstraw
16 Rains Hard wind	Cloudy sky, looks Rainy And cool, Rains some between 9 and 10 AM and Continues to Rain till About 2 PM, breaks away with a Violent gust of wind from the Southwest

1836	Memento
Octo. 16 No Pr. Mg. at JL	No Prayer Meeting. Rainy and Stormy, I there, no one else came to Jon Lawrences to Meeting
Ja Ges 16 Ill &c	Jacob Gesner bad with his side and round his body Yesterday Afternoon, last Night and also Night before last
	17 Clear and a very heavy White frost this Morning and Ice frozen, high Wind from Southwestward, cold
Apples 17 picked	Picked some Domina Apples
	18 Very Clear and cold ground frozen this Morning, Still a handsome day, Wind Westerly and Southwesterly
Apples 18	Picked More Domina Apples
Br. Wm. 18 Henry Miller Pd. At J Law to Nt. NB Tommy Dobbs 2nd Wife there Geo. L. Ginnet There Not Lucy nor J. G's wife But Polly Hagen there	Brother William Henry Miller lately on Montville Circuit being at Haverstraw, was Requested by Woodruff to fill his Appointment at Rockland, he came on Woodruff's Horse about 1 or 2 o'clock PM. Preached at Jonathan Lawrences to Night, from "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the Wilderness, so shall the son of Man be lifted up &c" to about 24, a Very good Discourse, Spiritualized, Solemn Attention. Margaret, Rachel Gravestine and Daughter, Mistress Rief, Mistress Cooper, Gracy, Jacob Gesner, self, old Cooper

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Octo. 19	Partly overcast this Morning, not very Cold, but Windy from the SW by S, blows Stormy
19 Brother Miller Went Away he lives &c	19 Brother William Henry after Preaching at Jonathan Lawrences last evening, he came with me and stayed all Night, ate Breakfast, took his horse (Woodruff's) and Went for Haverstraw About 1/2 After 8 o'clock. He at Present lives at Williamsburgh Long Island, has a Wife; but no Children He is tall and Slender
Apples 19 Wm. Law.	19 Gathered Domina Apples again William Lawrence helped this Afternoon
Ja Ges. 19 Gathering Summer Pippins	19 Jacob Gesner Gathering the Remainder of my Summer pippins, to give me 1 Dollar per Barrel clear &c, if he gets More than 12 shillings per Barrel I'm to have of it
20 Rains	20 Looks Stormy, Wind high from SW by S this Morning, not cold, Rains about 11 AM and quits About 2 PM or little later, Wind Shifted to the NW
20 Cut apples their names	20 Cut apples to Dry this Evening. Betsy Beasley, Sally Ann Beasley, Mary Lawrence, William Lawrence, William Gesner, George Gesner, Gracy shes sick Myself, Alfred and Charles Gesner helped

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<p>Octo. 20 My Buckwheat From Herbt. 21</p>	<p>George Gesner Brought this Afternoon My half of the Buckwheat Raised on My Ground Above the Old School House 16 Bushels and 3 pecks, so there was in All 33 Bushels and a half</p> <p>Clear Cold, Smart wind from SW</p>
<p>Ja Ges to 21 Market Took &c for Geo. 21 Law description of a Lot &c Cold 22</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner to Market, took 1 Barrel Summer Pippins for me and 3 Do at Dollar each and 3 Barrels other Apples for Me, and 5 Baskets Apples</p> <p>I drew up for George Lawrence Courses &c of a Lot of Jacob Concklin Deceased, Wood lot, to send to New York to Stephenson. I took it up to his House and gave it to his wife</p>
<p>Returns 22 paid 7 sh for Swill paid 5 sh to him ? 6 for Gracy ? 1-6 for us</p>	<p>Clear cold, been a very cold Night, frost, ground hard frozen this Morning, a light cold wind from the NW this Morning</p> <p>Jacob Gesner from New York gave me 3 for the Barrel, gave me 11 shillings for one I sent of Summer Pippins and sold the 5 Barrels Apples for 15 shillings, expenses to come off the Basket paid. I gave him 5 shillings for Selling My 1 Barrel and the Baskets, NB he sold his 3 Barrels for 12 shillings each and My one, took 5 shillings off &c</p>

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Octo. 22 5 Boys from NY	Jim Miller once lived with me his little brother Named John and the brother of Jacob Willse's 2nd Wife came here this Afternoon from New York Also George and John Anderson's from New York, probably all 5 on a Visit, not yet enquired
Cold 23	Clear and Cold this Morning, Ground some frozen, frost
Pr. Mg. Jon Law 23	Prayer Meeting Jon Lawrence's; Lucy, Mary, Rachel Gravestine and Girl, Brother Clark, Myself with the family composed the Meeting, Jon and Clark exhorted &c
24	Mostly Clear all Day, not quite so Cold, Wind Southwesterly, Moderate
Ja Ges took to Market 24	Jacob Gesner to New York Market, took 2 Barrels on Shares, the 1/2 of the big Red Apples opposite garden, 1 Barrel of Summer Pippins he Agreed for one Barrel Summer Pippins for Me good ones, and 2 big Baskets Corn Apples
24	Mistress Andersons Boys went away see 22
24	Nice Moderate Day, only towards Night Grows quite Cold, wind Southwesterly
Dug 25	Dug My long Reds over the Road next Road and next Richards

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<p>Octo. 25 Returns Of Ja Ges.</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner Returns of Yesterday for my 2 big Baskets apples each 2 shillings 6 pence Clear. My Nice Barrel Summer Pippins 9 shillings Clear My half of the 2 Barrels big Red Apples 7 shillings clear sold for 1 Dollar each And for the Barrel of Common Summer Pippins which he gathered 6 shillings And One Basket of Summer Pippins he bought 8 shillings = 35 shillings. Laid out for Indian Rye 14 shillings and 4 shillings 6 pence Sweet Potatoes = 10 shillings 6 pence leaves 16 shillings 6 pence He paid me</p>
<p>Wm. Law. 25</p>	<p>William Lawrence helped dig long Reds 1/2 Day</p>
<p>Wed 26</p>	<p>Hazy, very cold this Morning and Ground hard frozen, Wind Westerly</p>
<p>James 26 Miller &c Went Away They had Nuts &c</p>	<p>James Miller see 22nd Instant his little Brother John and his Acquaintance Robert the Brother of Jacob Willsey's second wife Went Away this Morning half after 11 AM to New York City Mistress Andersons Boys George and John Went Away Monday 24th which see James &c had Nuts and Apples better than 1 Bushel All together And Mistress Andersons had Some Apples a few Nuts. I let James have the Nuts over the Gulley next Leonards fence, lately of John Willseys fence, perhaps 1/2 Bushel</p>
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<p>Octo. 27</p>	<p>Very cold this Morning and all last Night, Ground hard frozen, wind SW a cold Wind, cold nearly all Day, little warm Midday</p>
<p>Wm. 27 Law Potatoes first got Nuts &c</p>	<p>William Lawrence helped dig Again more than 1/2 Day, Dig Manchester potatoes over the Road, in the Morning he got Nuts east of Old School house, Alfred helped him some, intended for Sally</p>
<p>28</p>	<p>Ground frozen hard Clear this Morning, Wind SW, the Day Moderate</p>
<p>28 Ja Ges to Market Fall pipp. Bought of one &c</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner took the fall Pippins he Bought of me to Market to Day, 10 Barrels he's to Give 1 Dollar Barrel And he took for Me 1 Barrel fall pippins quite common the Ruffages I had. But the 10 Barrels of Jacob except one was Great Beauties, he gathered them put them in the Barn and Barreled them, is to give 1 Dollar each Barrel</p>
<p>Wm. Law 28</p>	<p>William Lawrence helped nearly 3/4 Day Potatoes and Apples</p>
<p>cut app. 28</p>	<p>I Gracy and Alfred cut more Apples</p>

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<p data-bbox="272 289 378 321">Octo. 29</p> <p data-bbox="212 405 378 478">Wm. 29 Law. Helped</p> <p data-bbox="220 527 378 625">29 I whooped for Ja Post</p> <p data-bbox="240 636 378 699">29 Returns</p> <p data-bbox="240 709 378 783">Br. 29 Hobbs</p>	<p data-bbox="427 289 1393 363">Not so cold this Morning, clear, very Clear; through the Day wind pretty High from the Westward</p> <p data-bbox="427 405 1425 478">William Lawrence helped the Greater part of this Day, digging Potatoes, About 3 PM Went to River with Oxen and Waggon to fetch empty Barrels &c</p> <p data-bbox="427 520 1430 594">Jacob Post strongly soliciting me, I went and hooped 3 cider Barrels 2 of which I had to put in one old head each &c</p> <p data-bbox="427 636 816 667">Jacob Gesner Returns see 28th</p> <p data-bbox="427 709 1344 741">Brother Hobbs came here just after Day-light off With Waggon and Horse</p>
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<p data-bbox="224 1211 378 1360">Octo. 30 Br Hobbs Pr. at Jon Law</p> <p data-bbox="354 1444 378 1476">31</p> <p data-bbox="224 1560 378 1707">31 Br Hobbs Went Away gave him</p> <p data-bbox="224 1749 378 1812">Ja Ges 31 to NY &c</p>	<p data-bbox="427 1211 1417 1402">Brother Hobbs Preached at Jon Lawrences to Night, only a few, Rachel Gravestine and daughter, Margaret, Jacob Gesner, Gracy, Myself, Ginnet, William Gesner Mary Ann Gesner and the family is all. He spoke with that Solemnity, and so directed to the feelings, that all must have felt its weighty importance. He seemed in the enjoyment of the presence of God</p> <p data-bbox="427 1444 1385 1518">Clear and Cold, wind Northerly, not a Cloud hardly all Day, Ground hard this Morning</p> <p data-bbox="427 1560 1360 1707">Brother Hobbs took horse and Waggon from My house about 10 AM and went for Haverstraw, his Wife and young Girl lately very poorly he stay'd at Jonathan Lawrences last Night, I gave him now 4 shillings and Jonathan Lawrence Also gave him 4</p> <p data-bbox="427 1749 1092 1780">Jacob Gesner to New York, took no freight from here</p>

1836	Memento
Nov. 1 apples frozen	Clear and Cold but not so severe as Yesterday Morning, about 10 AM very handsome, a very heavy white frost this Morning, a cold night past. Apples frozen on and under trees
Wm. Law. 1	William Lawrence 3/4 Day digging potatoes, some frozen, Ground hard in the Morning
Robt. 1 Woodruff Pd. Jon L	Woodruff down about half after 3 PM. Preached at Jon Lawrences to Night, the best Sermon I have heard him Preach, to a small Congregation About 20 in all except a few Children. It was upon the subject, where the spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty
Who there	Margaret, Mary Ann Gesner, William Gesner, Myself, Gracy, the New Teacher Chambers's Brother , Wynchey, Johnny Lawrence, Ben Beaumont, and 2 More from Johnny's Lucy is sick and Rachel Gravestine is not well. Jacob Gesner and Wife and Mistress Cooper not there
Storm 2	Cold Overcast this Morning, has a stormy Appearance, Wind NE. Raw, Cold, begins to Rain about 2 or 3 o'clock PM, a terrible Storm at Night
Robt. 2 Woodruff took Horse Went away	Woodruff came from Jonathan Lawrences early, ate breakfast, went away about 9 AM. Visited Eley, Asked her Reasons for not coming Any More to Meeting, I was told

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Nov. 2 Wm. Law	William Lawrence Helped again 1/2 Day, Afternoon. Rain began at near 11 o'clock
Paid to 2 Robt. Woodruff 2.50	I gave Robert Woodruff this Morning on his Salary One dollar and once before 12 shillings which Now Makes 2.50 on this Conference Year
3 a Very bad Storm	A Very bad storm last Night and Rain Cold Storm and this Morning still overcast, Wind more Northward, but don't Rain breaks away, but not very clear all Day
Wm. Law 3	William Lawrence helped Again in potatoes
of Corn. 3 Doremus Paid	Bought of Cornelius Doremus 7 lb beef at 8 pence per pound paid I owe him Nothing, I've had 2 or 3 times before this fall beef of him and all paid
Ja Ges. 3 side bad	Jacob Gesner much Afflicted Again with his old complaint in his side
4	Cloudy all Day and cold, the Ground frozen this Morning, but air damp, Midday it thaws, Wind Westerly
Wm. Law. 4	William Lawrence helped Again in potatoes 3/4 Day
Ja Ges to NY 4	Jacob Gesner to New York, had engaged a freight of Apples, took None for me this time

1836	Memento
Nov. 4	Obb Mended My old 4 pronged hoe. He charged 1 shilling 6 pence
5	Nearly clear this Morning, clouds move from the Northwestward, Ground Somewhat frozen this Morning
Wm. Law helped	5 William Lawrence helped dig again and about an Hour over gulley mending fence &c, 3/4 Day
	5 Jacob Gesner back from New York
Cold	6 Clear and very cold, a white frost and Ground hard, and thick ice this Morning
Pr. Mg. Jon Law.	6 Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning, no one but Myself, Gracy and Margaret and the family
	7 Clear and cold, a White frost this Morning, Ground frozen very hard, Wind Southwesterly, a light wind. Midday nice and warm

1836	Memento
Nov. 7	William Lawrence Potatoes Apples 1/2 Day
Wm. Law Blank Forms	7 Got one Blank form for Deed and one Do for Mortgage of Lawyer Blanch, Jon Lawrence got them for me, he Would take nothing for them
Tues.	8 Clear nearly this Morning, ground did not freeze last Night, a very pleasant Day warm, wind Westerly
Wm. Law helped Leonard's boys helped Election	8 William Lawrence helped Again in potatoes 3/4 but forenoon picking Apples Leonard Beasley's 2 boys helped pick apples about 3 or 4 Hours each this forenoon
	8 Election yesterday and to Day
At Herbts. Paid	9 At Herbert's 1 lb Candles 1 shilling 3 pence paid and paid for 1 lb Crackers had Some few days ago 10 pence and also 1 lb Candles had before 1 shilling 3 pence makes 3 shillings 4 pence paid, have had previous to this Date 3 or 4 candles but All paid
	9 Clear and a White frost this Morning
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1836	Memento
Nov. 9	finished digging potatoes by Barn
Thurs. 10	Not very clear all Day, wind easterly not very cold, frost out of the Ground, looks for Rain in the evening
Wm. Law 10 Gunning	William Lawrence Gunning all Day, not work here
Picked 10 Apples &c	Picked up the Apples in orchard by burying Ground, I and Alfred
Ja Ges 10 Killed ox &c	Jacob Gesner killed An Ox for Hagar got of Clark by Hagar. Richard helped him, not very fat
11	Looks Stormy this Morning, Wind South a little East, at Night begins to Rain wind blows hard from SE
Ja Ges 11 took the beef down &c	Jacob Gesner took the ox beef quartered, had My Ox and Leonards Waggon to Snedens to send it down to Hagar
11 Finished digging &c No. of Bushels The Damage Sustained	Finished digging the potatoes over the Run and the few in the Garden, All Done. I expect We have a little better than 200 Bushels; the fowls a great number have so scratched Among the potatoes and exposed them to the severe freezing nights lately that Bushels have not only been dug out but frozen, besides Much injury has been done by the Worm eating them; in My opinion a Damage of more than 40 Bushels, and proven to Me by the hills not touched nor injured, comparing them

1836	Memento
Nov. 12 Storm from SE	Storm continues this Morning, has Rained considerable last Night, wind high from the South east with some lightning and thunder. At the Break of Day, ceases to Rain; at sun rise, Wind stills and clouds move from SW, not cold clears gradually Away, from SW
Jon Law 12 Oxen	Jon Lawrence Oxen 1/2 Day drawing chips &c not to charge
Ja Ges 12 Side &c	Jacob Gesner for some time much Afflicted with his Side Again
Alfred 12 to Fullers	Alfred went this Afternoon to Demarests the fuller, nothing was yet done with the piece of cloth I sent in September to be fulled, below Closter
Beef 12 Paid	Bought of a Stranger from Scralenberg 10 lb Beef at 7 pence = 5 shillings 10 pence he took 5 shillings 6 pence, paid
Sabbath 13	Clear and Moderate, no cloud to be seen, wind Westerly, cool in Afternoon
No Pr. 13 Meeting Sickness &c Hen. C.& Peg. took to lying &c	No Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning, Myself and Rachel Gravestines Girls were all that came, Lucy is sick, Rachel is not well, Margaret could not attend &c, Jacob Gesner bad with his side, his Wife in bed confined &c, Gracy bad tooth Ache, Mistress Cooper must attend Betsy and the Baby Henry and Peggy Volunteered to Serve their wicked passions and lying, &c

1836	Memento
Nov. 14 Rain Snow	Rains this Morning. It thickened up last evening, continues to Rain all day but not very hard, the Wind NE, just after day-light off in the evening it snowed very large flakes, the Ground was covered White
Sent 14 with Obb Obb Oxen no charge	Sent with Obb it rains 2 Barrels of Vandeevers to Market He had my Oxen and had John G. Concklins Waggon and a heavy load of his own, My 2 Barrels with it, he had cider, potatoes and apples, no charge for the Oxen
15 Snow gone	Clouds Move this Morning from NW wind not high, It does not Rain and the Snow of last Night is all Melted Away, not very cold, Roads somewhat Muddy
Alfred 15 to Doctors for child &c	Alfred to Doctor Verbrycks with letter, Jacob Gesner's Child one Week old, no passage, brought Sena &c With Directions
Woodruff 15 Down Pd. At Jon Law	Brother Robert Woodruff down with Waggon and Horse near sun set, Drank tea And Preached at Jon Lawrences to Night from Isaiah 41st Chapter 10 Verse — not first clause to a little few, I was there, Margaret, William Gesner, Ginnet and Henry Concklin, Wynche Cooper and family is all, some Sick. He spoke very Well on 1st Clause to "I am thy God"

1836	Memento
Nov. 15 Return Recd.	Return from Obb for the 2 Barrels sent yesterday 7 shillings 6 pence per Barrel, clear, a poor Day he said in Market
Wed 16	Not quite clear this Morning, Sky misty partly overcast all Day Wind about SSW, Raw cold not freezing
16 Woodruff went away	Robert Woodruff came from Jonathan Lawrences About 8 AM, took Horse and Waggon, went away About 10 AM, took his Girl from Jonathan Lawrences and Went I expect Brother Cornelisons Clarkstown
Wm. Law 16 &c Ago	William Lawrence helped Gather About 2 or 3 Hours, Seemed to Get an Ago
Snow 17 on Ground	The Ground just covered with Snow this Morning, Middling cold, Cloudy and Moving from the westward, This is the 2nd little snow, see 14th Instant
Paid for 17 Gin 1 sh 6p for Medicine	Jonathan Lawrence Brought 1 Pint Gin from Abraham Houses here this Morning. I paid Jonathan Lawrence the charge 1 shilling 6 pence. This for Gracy to put on White Wood Bark for Medicine, directed by Old Doctor Cornelison some time Ago
Geo Ges 17 helped	George Gesner helped pick Apples, 1/2 Day +, he made no charge; he came near 12 and picked till sun set

1836	Memento
Nov. 17 New Steam Boat first trip out went the Orange had used Rosin	The New Steam Boat, built last winter and till May last by Jonathan Lawrence at New York for the Haverstraw and Tappan company Made her first Start from New York last Tuesday the 15th Instant, left the Rockland at New York having taken her place. It is said that She out runs the old Orange as Much as 3 1/2 Miles According to calculations Made on time, without forcing her Steam even to a Moderate Height, And that the Orange had used 2 Barrels of Rosin; The Orange by Repairs and improvements has assumed a Name among the first Boats for Swiftness
18	Clear, the Ground somewhat frozen this Morning, a Moderate Day, and Midday Warm Wind About SW
18 Apples	Gathered the last of My cider apples to Day in a heap excepting some small heaps
Saturd 19	Somewhat Hazy and Cloudy, froze some last Night About Midnight, Last Night a large circle Round the Moon, clouds Move from the Westward this Morning and Afternoon SW

1836	Memento
Nov. 19	My cider apples to Day all on a large heap
Sabbath 20	Clear and Hazy, cold not severe, Ground frozen, some wind Westward this Morning. Appears through the day more and more likely for a Storm, wind seems NE in Afternoon but the clouds seem to move from the SE
20 Pr. Mg. Jon. Law.	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning Brother Clark, Myself, Mistress Rice, Margaret, Rachel and Girl and Sarah Ann Moison and family except Jon Lawrence, he was gone to Haverstraw was all that was there — — Lucy not well, Gracy ill, Jacob Gesner not there neither his wife (confined) Mistress Cooper not there neither a Good little Meeting. Brother Clark Read a Chapter in Daniel where Nebuchadnezzar had Made a Golden image and called together all his principle Men in his kingdom &c to Worship it; But Shadrack Meshek and Abednego for refusal were cast into the furnace &c
Jon 20 Law to Haverstraw	Jon Lawrence Yesterday to Haverstraw with New Steamboat; to Day William Gesner Went With David Concklins Horse and I expect George Lawrences Waggon to meet him at Mistress Snedekers at 1 o'clock &c
1836	Memento
Nov. 21 Storm	A Storm began in the preceding Night, has Rained considerable, the wind began to blow smartly before Day from the eastward, breaks up in clouds about noon, Wind from SW in Afternoon, it has Rained very hard this forenoon
Head 21 in Hhd	I put Head in an Iron bound Hogshead
Ja Ges 21 kill beef &c	Jacob Gesner helped Abe Post kill beef a Heifer
22	Clear and Windy from Westward, not cold this Morning
Mist Rice 22	Mistress Rice came here this Morning About 9 to help Gracy sew, making Alfreds shirts
22 Mary Ann Gesner Poorly &c	Mary Ann Gesner Herberts wife very poorly on the Night of the 21st, About 4 AM sent for Jon Lawrence and Sally through the Rain, they went and Attended her with some warm steaming and Medicine, got something better
23	Clear and cold this Morning, wind from the Westward, Ice this morning, cold all day and mostly overcast from 9 AM

1836	Memento
<p>Nov. 23 Cut 3 Spoils for long Dock Slote paid Took 2 23 Spoils &c</p> <p>At 23 Slotes Boards paid At Houses 23 Shoes paid At Taulm. 23 Cord paid 12 sh &c</p> <p>24</p>	<p>I William Lawrence and Alfred brought 1 Stick of White Oak timber from below to My house and cut 2 More for Spoils yesterday for long dock at the Slote, each piece between 10 and 13 Inches at the butt and 20 feet long, to prevent the guard of the Steam boat to Run over the Dock; engaged by Jon Lawrence, Settled</p> <p>I and William and Alfred Miles fetched with My team oxen the other 2 Spoils from below to Day and took them down to end of long Dock</p> <p>I Bought 7 Ruffage Boards at Slotes New Board Yard (Slote) at 1 shilling each 7 shillings paid</p> <p>At Houses a pair of Shoes for Alfred 13 shillings Paid</p> <p>At Peter Taulman and Charles 2 1/4 Yards cord at 6 shillings 6 pence for Alfred = 14 shillings 8 pence, on this I paid 12 shillings and 2 shillings, 8 pence Remains unpaid</p> <p>Clear and cold this Morning, grows overcast About 9 AM, appear somewhat squally Wind Westward, Dark cold clouds</p>
1836	Memento
<p>Nov. 24 Mist. Rice went Away &c</p> <p>Wm. Law 24 took one Spoil</p> <p>Friday 25</p> <p>Sent to 25 Market 10 Barrels Apples 1 Bask. And 4 Bags of potatoes with J. Ges. Brought 25 Apples in cellar</p>	<p>Mistress Rice Went away this Evening, helped Gracy Sew Alfreds shirts nearly 3 Days, she would take no pay; but said she was indebted to me for what I had done for her, offered me 1 Dollar which I refused to take —</p> <p>William Lawrence took the one Remaining Spoil to end of long Dock, Mouth Creek see the 23 Instant</p> <p>Very cold last Night and clear and cold this Morning Squally before 10 AM, looks very blustering, wind About NW cold</p> <p>Sent to Market with Jacob Gesner 4 barrels Vandevveers, 2 Barrels of picked Rhode-Island Greens, and 1 Do off the Ground, 3 Barrels Winter greens (or Holland apples , 1 Basket of Summer pippins and 4 Bags potatoes and 1 Barrel for to get Swill in</p> <p>Fetches Some Domina apples out of the Barn and put them in New box in cellar</p>

1836	Memento
<p>Nov. 25 Gracy sick Worms long time</p> <p>26</p> <p>Mary 26 Ann Ges. poorly Paid 26 Herbt. flour & candles Paid Herbt. flour</p> <p>26 Returns See 25th expenses & laid out I Recd. Now 63 sh</p>	<p>Gracy very ill in the evening with her Stomach complaint. I expect it is a host of worms one came from her Mouth last Evening. She has been troubled going on 2 Years</p> <p>Very cold this Morning, overcast, looks for snow, last Night the coldest Night this fall</p> <p>Herberts Wife Mary Ann poorly a long time already; but lately quite poorly, keeps her bed and very Weak</p> <p>Paid Herbert for 7 lb Wheat flour and 1 lb Candles had some Days ago by Alfred, the flour 3 shillings 3 pence and candles 1 shillings 3 pence makes 4 shillings 6 pence, paid Also 3 1/2 lb Wheat flour I got to day 1 shilling 8 pence Paid —</p> <p>Returns got for the Rhode Island Greens 12 shillings per Barrel = 36 shillings and for the other 7 Barrels 7 shillings each = 49 shillings, for the Basket Summer pippins 5 shillings and for the 3 Bags potatoes each 7 shillings, and one bag stolen, And freight and cartage 14 shillings to be deducted, gave Jacob Gesner 10 shillings and I Sustained the loss of the Stolen Bag. Jacob paid 7 shillings for my Swill not yet come and 9 shillings for 1/4 of Rye Meal left 71 shillings, let Sally have 1 Dollar to pay for Mackerel</p>
1836	Memento
<p>Nov. 27</p> <p>Gracy 27 ill &c Worms &c</p> <p>Pr. Mg. 27 Jon Law.</p> <p>28</p> <p>Deed 28 Law. Sneden to Law. J Sneden</p>	<p>Clear and cold this Morning, cold with Wind light from NW</p> <p>Gracy quite ill 2 or 3 Days, especially in the Evening with her throat and Stomach is quite sore. It appears that her complaint is Worms, one came from her Mouth a few evenings Ago</p> <p>Prayer Meeting Jon Lawrences this Morning. Brother Clark, Myself, Rachel Gravestines Girl and Margaret Smith and family was all. Brother Clark exhorted the little Company to faithfulness and perseverance very tenderly also Jonathan Lawrence, a Good little Meeting</p> <p>Very Cold and a White frost this Morning, somewhat Hazy and Cloudy all Day, wind About SW, not quite so cold as Saturday and yesterday</p> <p>Gave to Lawrence Sneden this Morning at My House a Deed drawn from him to Lawrence J Sneden, his part of pasture Lot; 6 shillings Not paid</p>

1836	Memento
Jon Nov 28 Law. & Sally & Wm. Law. to city of NY	Jonathan Lawrence and Sally also William Lawrence went down to New York to Day at Slote With New Steam Boat called Warren, had My Horse
Gracy 28 went for company for children	Gracy to Night went to Sally's for company for Mary and children, Gracy almost too feeble to walk there
David 28 Blauvelt Oxen 1/2 Day No charge	David Blauvelt My Oxen and Herbert's Waggon this Afternoon to Draw for himself 2 loads Wood from Swamp, no Charge as I have used his Waggon considerable
	29 Overcast this Morning, cold, Wind and clouds from NE, cold all Day, ground keeps hard except Midday where the sun shines out of the wind
Gave Sally 29 for Alfred to get	I gave Sally and Jon Lawrence the evening of the 24th Instant 20 shillings to get stuff for Alfred and 2 shillings 6 pence to pay at Taulman's, he Jon Lawrence was to put 2 cents by
Geo Law. 29 Wife, son Born	Maria, George M. Lawrences wife, brought to Bed Saturday night Dusk with a Son, they was Married see last winter Memento, child born Saturday 26 Instant just dusk. They was Married January 19th 1836
Woodruff 29 down Pr. At J Law. to Night	Woodruff down this Afternoon with his Horse, left the Horse with Me and he went and visited Ely, Margaret and Rachel And Preached at Jonathan Lawrences to Night to About 20 from Psalms 145 Chapter and 7 Verse, very good discourse explaining Gods goodness; I there, Gracy, Rachel, Margaret, Eley. No other of Members as once was

1836	Memento
Nov. 30	Early not clear; but clear soon Afterwards, Wind Westerly, in Afternoon About SW, middling cold all Day
Deed 30 Acknowledged of L. Sneden to Law. J Sneden	About 9 AM Judge Cornelius Blauvelt Acknowledged the deed I drew for Lawrence Sneden to Lawrence J Sneden Some time in first of this Month, I was Asked by Lawrence Sneden to come
Gracy at 30 J Law. yet Woodruff	Gracy at Jonathan Lawrences Yet; she is much Afflicted Woodruff went away About 9 AM with Horse
30 Peg Conck continues lying &c	Peggy Concklin, I am told, continues to tattle and lie &c, she is a venomous dispositioned Woman, full of lying and falsehood, apparently trying to Gratify the Devil in trying to injure the society, see About the first of September last, or last of August
Dec. 1 Thursday	Thinly overcast this Morning, clouds slowly Moving from the westward, continues cold
Apples 1 2	Filled 7 Barrels Domina Apples in Barn of such as were Gathered under the trees Cold Morning, Midday more Moderate, Wind Westerly

1836	Memento
<p>Dec. 2 Jacob G took to Market</p>	<p>Jacob Gesner took to Market to Day 2 Barrels of good Domina Apples and one of Pippins some hurt with cold for Benjamin Sneden; 1 Barrel Domina for Mistress Burns and 7 Barrels of Domina not picked and one of picked Domina makes 12 Barrels and 3 Bags of Potatoes, 1e 2 of White and 1 pink</p>
<p>Gracy 2 home &c Sally bot for Gracy And for Alfred</p>	<p>Gracy came home last Night from Jonathan Lawrences with me. Sally and Jonathan and William came up with New Steam Boat Warren this Afternoon. Bought for Gracy by My Direction and cost stuff for a New Cloak and lining cost also Sattinett 2 1/4 Yards for Alfred, a Round About Jacket at 10 per Yard = 22 shillings 6 pence, Also by My Direction</p>
<p>Stolen 2 from JL &c theft is practiced</p>	<p>Jon Lawrence had Stolen Yesterday from on board the Steam boat Warren 10 good Augers at New York Dock there Missed Theft is much practiced in the Steam boats</p>
<p>JL 2 Bought Stove &c</p>	<p>Jon Lawrence bought a New Stove calculated in a Measure for Cooking for 12 with the kettles &c and 4 for the pipe</p>

1836	Memento
Dec. 3	Cold Morning, ground hard, Wind mostly all Day Westerly and Southwesterly
Ja Ges young child poorly	3 Jacob Gesners child very low indeed, can get nothing in to Nourish it, has the Sprue, seems troubled with inward fits Doctor Verbryck Attended this Evening
Returns I Recd. Cash 9.12 1/2 cents	3 Jacob Gesners Return to Me of Apples and Potatoes, he got for 3 Bags potatoes 21 shillings, for 2 Barrels of Domina Apples and one pippins each 12 shillings one Barrel of Domina Apples was most excellent equal 36 shillings, And 4 Barrels of Small Domina apples each 6 shillings and 4 Barrels Domina apples each 5 shillings, and One Barrel Domina to Mistress Burns unpaid Jacob Gesner bot Gracy a Broom 2 shillings 6 pence. I Gave him 12 shillings 6 pence for his trouble And I Received 9.12 1/2 cents
I Met with 2 Trustees &c I paid 16 Dol	3 To Night I Met with Herbert Gesner and John Willse 2 trustees and I paid 16 Dollars of Money Collected for New School House lately, took Herberts Receipt Written by Chambers Teacher
	4 Cold but still a handsome Day, Wind Southwesterly
Pr. Mg. J Law.	4 Prayer Meeting Jon Lawrences this Morning but only myself, Margaret, Lucy and family

1836	Memento
Doctor Dec. 4 Verbryck	Doctor Abraham Verbryck to See Jacobs young Child Again this Evening
J. L. 4 & Sally	Jonathan and Sally here this Evening
	5 Partly Overcast this Morning, not cold
5 Jacob Gesner's & his wife Eliza. Cooper's Child died was a female	5 Jacob Gesner's Child a female died About 15 Minutes before 3 this Morning, it was born the 7th of November last about Sun Rise see the 7th November , it was very Small, had good length. It appears that it could not take nourishment, excepting a little by turns, laid very still, after some days, it would suck a little, then Again not at all, had the Sprue, towards the last; but for the last 4 or 5 Days it seemed to fail, and have inward fits but without any signs scarcely, laid still, when a little Recovered would open its eyes and appear Natural; but these (seemingly) fits increasing it grew very weak, nothing could be given it, and it never seemed to have a Natural Warmth in it; never made any noise hardly, a little before it Died gave 3 little screams. It had the best Attendance given by its Grandmother Mistress Cooper and others

1836	Memento
Dec. 5 Jacob Gesners Child Buried to Day their sorrow &c	And was Buried between 3 and 4 PM, the little Grave was dug on My Son Nicholas's Grave on his coffin near the head (he died July 14th 1829). My son Jacob Gesner and his Wife Grieved Much for the loss of their first child, there was a very Respectable Attendance of Women and a few Men, Mostly Relatives. Abraham Clark Attended as Sexton
6	Clear not very Cold, clouds from NW
Corn	I took in a Small load of Corn to Day, upper Yard
Another 6 Will wrote for Peter C. Mabie	I drew Another Will for Peter C Mabie last Night and this Morning on Account of the Death of his Brother Abraham C Mabie. Paid 6 shillings which I Gave to Peggy Riker for Making cider
Took Peter 6 C Mabies New Will down pd	I went down to Peter Rikers last evening, and this Evening I took his New Will down. I Mean Peter C Mabies Will to Peter Riker this Evening see above paid
7	A little Hazy this Morning, cold, not much wind to day, although nearly clear all Day. The wind seemed Northeastward, not cold Midday
Corn 7	I took in another Small load Corn that is all no Corn this year
Gracy ill 7	Gracy ill last Night with a kind of wind Colick

1836	Memento
Dec. 7 J. G. Killed Ox &c	Jacob Gesner killed Another Ox for Hagar, Got of Abraham Clark; not fat, sent it to the City to Hagar
At Herbts. 7 Gin paid	At Herberts this Evening I got I Pint Gin, 9 shillings, paid for, Gracy troubled with wind on her stomach &c
Gut fat Bought	7 Gracy Cleaned off the gut fat of the Ox above Mentioned with intention to buy it of Jacob Gesner at 7 pence per lb, paid in full to Jacob 14 shillings for Agar
	8 Clear cold this Morning and has been a very cold Night last Night, has frozen Ice in my Kitchen, a White frost; but the Sky appears for a Nice Day, a Very Nice Day, Wind SW
I Went down in Closter Collecting School tax	8 To Day I went into Closter collecting school House tax Among the Non Residents for the New School House built this past summer, as low as Seb Bogerts, I succeeded very Well, Collected all but from two in that route ie Major Ferdon and John D Nagel, they were not at Home
	9 Clear and Moderate all Day, a Most Handsome Day for the time of the Year, Wind light from SW
1836	Memento
Dec. 9 Paid Jacob Haring	I paid Jacob Haring the 10 shillings due to him yet on Hay, Bought April 1835. I offered him Interest; but he Refused it —
Obb Made Staples	9 Obb Made some Days Ago, perhaps a fortnight, 2 Staples for Barn Door unpaid
Rain	10 Storm from the SE, began to Rain just before it grew light this Morning And Rained till 12, or After 12 a little, not cold. Wind changed to the Westward, not blustery, clear at Night
My birthday	10 My Birthday, now 71 Years of Age
At Herbts. &c paid	10 At Herberts 1 lb Candles and a few days Ago 1 lb Do, both paid 2 shillings 6 pence And pint Gin 9 pence paid
Pedlar paid	10 Gave Gracy for pedlar about 3 shillings, she got a Handkerchief, thread
Sabbath	11 Clear and not cold this Morning, nice Day, had froze a little last night

1836	Memento
Dec. 11 Pr. Mg. J Law.	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences this Morning, only Myself, Margaret, Lucy and Rachel and family
12	Clear this Morning, wind Westerly and not cold, ground early a little frozen but soon thaws, also clear at Bed time
12 Sent to Market With Ja. Ges.	Sent to Market with Jacob Gesner 3 Barrels Domina Apples, 2 of Vandevveers, 1 of Mixed Apples, 2 of Holland or Winter Greens, and 3 of Pippins makes 11 in All and 4 fowls cleaned Gracy sent, had Trenchards One horse Waggon, My horse and Herberts Waggon My Oxen, Alfred went down &c
Sarah 12 Ann here	Sarah Ann Moison came here About 12 o'clock to Day
13 Storm Rain	Overcast this Morning, Wind Southeasterly, Some Sprinkling Rain before Nine AM. Rains and is Stormy all the Afternoon, at Night Rains hard
Woodruff 13 down	Woodruff here before 12 o'clock to Day, Ate Dinner, went up the Road
13	Took the last of cider apples to Mill, those at the Mill Much Rotten

1836	Memento
Dec. 13 Obb Oxen	Obb Oxen, Drew 1 Load Wood from Swamp
13 Return of Apples	Return made by Jacob Gesner of the 11 barrels Apples, ie Sold 8 at 6 shillings = 48 shillings and 3 at 9 shillings = 27, freight 5 shillings 6 pence Cartage 6 shillings and Allowed him 10 shillings 6 pence, he paid 14 shillings for the tallow Ruff of Agars Ox at 7 pence per lb, we took it, gave it to Agar and 8 shillings for 1/4 of Rye Meal And he Received of Mistress Burns the 10 shillings due to Me for a barrel of Domina Apples, and 4 shillings of Which he gave to Benjamin Sneden Which Benjamin had paid too Much for Apples &c. The 4 fowls was About 6 shillings 6 pence
14	Clear, not very cold, Wind Westerly, high wind in Afternoon, cold towards Night Cloudy
Alfred 14	Alfred to new York today, his time was out 27 November last
I had 14 Jacob Rikers Horse	Had Jacob Rikers horse, Ground Apples at Peter Rikers this Afternoon. William Lawrence helped and Young black Stephen, Stephen helped a little yesterday taking apples out Barn
No 14 Preachg. Woodruff went away	No Preaching last Night at Jon Lawrences, it Stormed and Rained hard, Woodruff Went Away this Morning with his horse, he stay'd at George Lawrences last Night, it Rained hard, he did not go to Jonathan Lawrences

1836	Memento
Dec. 15	Very Windy, Cloudy, cold this Morning, ground hard Again, cold all Day, Wind About WNW
15 Made cider Had Herbts. Horse Ch. Ges. Helped	Had Herberts Horse 1/2 Day, ground more apples; but cold, laid up press and Squeezed out About 6 Barrels, near Sun set. Slackened up the press, lest it would freeze as it Run to Night. Charles Gesner helped me better than 1/2 Day, brought 4 Barrels home
Black 15 Stephn.	Black Stephen Boy helped About 1/2 Day, paid 2 shillings
Wm. Law. 15	William Lawrence also 1/2 Day +
Sarah 15 Ann Went &c	This evening Sarah Ann Moison went to Sally's to Sew &c
16	Very cold this Morning, froze very hard last Night
Alfred 16 to N. York I had him fixed decent Money &c	See the 14th, Alfred went to New York, his 2 Years was expired the 27th November but he had Run Away twice, his father directed him back Again, so he has perhaps stay'd 4 or 5 Days More than 2 Years. I Gave him 4 shillings he said William Lawrence owed him and I gave 1 shilling 6 pence and 2 shillings he got of Jacob Gesner

1836	Memento
Dec. 16 At Herbt. Pd	At Herberts the 13th Instant 7 lb Wheat flour 3 shillings 3 pence, Paid
Gave 16 Alfred	The 14th last took and gave Alfred 5 shillings 6 pence four of Which I paid for William Lawrence
Paid 16 Black Steph. for Horse Shoe	Paid Black Stephen a boy 6 shillings for a Horse Shoe he found yesterday coming from cider Mill
Storm 17 very high wind from SE — first it Snowed from NE &c	A terrible Storm of Rain and violent wind from the SE, a flood of water — last evening very cold overcast and Some time About 9 or 10 at Night Snowed, the wind then from NE, the snow perhaps 3 Inches thick by Appearances this Morning, the wind changed SE and Rained, at Sun rise the Snow was all gone not cold
Brought 17 From Mill 7 Barrels cider	Yesterday brought home from Mill 3 Barrels cider and the Day before Yesterday brought home 4, Makes 7 Barrels good cider
Made 17 Water cider	To Day a bad Storm, I went alone and put 12 pails of Water on the cheese And Made better than 2 Barrels Water cider, Most excellent

1836	Memento
Dec. 18	Clear and cold all Day, wind Westerly, some black clouds
Pr. Mg. 18 Jon Law.	Prayer Meeting at Jon Lawrences, Lucy, Margaret, Mistress Cooper, the Girls of Rachel Gravestine, William Gesner, Myself, and family was all. Jon Lawrence spoke very well
Sarah 18 Ann &c	This Morning Sarah Ann Moison went to Slote home
19	Cold last Night, Wind Westerly, but a Nice Day
Wm. Law. 19 put cider &c	I and William Lawrence emptied the last 3 Barrels of Good cider into a Hogshead
Sarah 19 Ann &c	Sarah Ann came back this Morning
I and 19 Herbt. School House Accts. &c	This evening I and Herbert at my House Arranged the School House Accounts and fall 60 Dollars short
Cold 20	Very cold and Still the Sky a little Hazy, the Smoak at sun rise is driven slowly toward the west, see over

1836	Memento
Dec. 20	In the Afternoon not cold, thickens up for a Storm, About 7 or 8 PM in the evening begins to Rain, Wind SE
I Had Ja. 20 Rikers Horse &c Wm Law.	I had Jacob Rikers Horse this Afternoon, finished grinding My Apples at Peter Rikers Mill, had the horse a half Day before this Afternoon, all the Afternoon William Lawrence helped Grind and lay up cheese, good 1/2 Day
Alfred 20 Back is to Stay	Alfred came up from New York this afternoon saying his father said he could stay till 1 April next
bad storm 21	A very bad storm from SE, violent wind and Rain, began last evening, break away in Afternoon, wind high from W at Night, cold
Jacob 21 Gesner very ill Cramps sent for Dr. Verbruyck	This, all the forenoon Jacob Gesner very bad with his side, by turns all Cramped with his feet, toes flat under his feet, the cords under his knee down to his heels, drawn as though stretched by Violent force very ill, excruciating pain, forcing its way down from his right side through the cord into the Right testicle being the Most tender part of the body, produces these violent cramps; perhaps worse in a bad storm, sent for Doctor about 11 AM

1836	Memento
Dec. 21 J. Ges a little better	Jacob Gesner easier before Doctor Verbryck came
cider 21 Wm. Law helped &c	Went to cider Mill About 12, pressed out the cheese nearly, brought 2 Barrels home and one before from this press William Lawrence and Alfred helped
Cold 22	Very cold all last Night, clear this Morning and immensely cold all Day, wind from the westward; but not High
At Requoys 22 paid	Yesterday I sent Alfred for the Doctor for Jacob Gesner, he brought 1 quart Rum from Requoys 1 shilling 6 pence, paid
Paid black 22 Stephen to Day	Paid Black Stephen boy 2 shillings for part of 2 Day, helping with Apples in Grinding &c in full, see the 15th Instant
Head in 22 pipe	I Put a New pine Head in a pipe to Day
Snow 23	Not so cold this Morning as Yesterday, but an immense cold Night last Night. It is said that there is Much Ice in the North River. Hazy, and Grows Cloudy and Middling cold all Day, Snows in the Evening, ground covered by 7 o'clock PM. Wind through the Day Southeastward
Killed 23 My Hogs	Killed my two Hogs to day. Jacob Gesner and Leonard Beasley helped. I and Alfred

1836	Memento
Dec. 24	Hazy and thinly overcast all Day, wind Easterly, not cold
at Larry's 24	At Larry's see 27th
<p>24 Made Water cider 2 Barrels Rolled off burst out the head corrected Alfred</p>	<p>I and Alfred went to Cider Mill at Peter Rikers, Made Water cider, brought 4 Barrels up home, 2 of which turning up by the House rolled off behind and burst the heads out, the cider gone. The other 2 did not break, they all rolled out, Alfred drove; the stones aft proved too Small, they rolled over, because of which I scolded and gave him a few Stripes not understanding the case exactly. I did what he perhaps did not deserve whereas he exercised his own judgment and not Mine, however, I feel the more satisfied as he was very little hurt, I was not present when it happened</p>
25 Christmas	Christmas Day, Rainy all Day, Weather soft, wind Easterly, getting muddy
Br Hobbs 25 Down &c	Brother Hobbs down about 10 AM at Jonathan Lawrences. William Lawrence brought his horse and Waggon to My House, he stay'd at Brother Clarks last Night
Pr. Mg. 25 J Law.	Prayer Meeting at Jonathan Lawrences, Hobbs exhorted the few affectionately. I there, Lucy, William Gesner, and family composed our little Meeting. Rainy, muddy

1836	Memento
<p>Dec. 25 Br. Hobbs taken Poorly The Subject of humbleness a Zealous Preacher</p>	<p>Brother Hobbs at Jonathan Lawrences Was taken at evening Dusk quite poorly with his head, a Complaint it appears brought on by much fatigue and preaching; by turns it acts so severely on him as to deprive him of Recollecting; in his preaching at times his presence of Mind seems in a measure gone, which proves against a true connection. He labours under the loss of a Broken constitution, with much humility and Resignation, fully devoted to his God; and his preaching mostly very solemn and impressive, professing the spirit and Zeal of a Gospel Minister, I was up in the evening, good Attention given him by Jon Lawrence and Sally</p>
<p>Storm 26 continues Snow</p>	<p>The Storm continues this Morning from the SE, much Rain last Night. The Air very Soft, a thawing Muddy time, Rains till about 2 PM then begins to Snow, Wind chopped Round to NNE, grows cold, Ground fairly covered</p>
<p>A New 26 School Ho Tax list drawn</p>	<p>I Drew up a new tax list to Raise 65 Dollars More than the first 300 to Complete a Settlement for Building the new School House in District No. 1 Orange Town</p>
<p>27 Prodigious Cold</p>	<p>Excessively cold this Morning, clear all Day; but enormous Cold; Wind Northerly, freezes all Day very severe, the Ground is Covered with Snow</p>

1836	Memento
Dec. 28 Collected	I Collected this Day on a New Assessment on District No. 1 at Rockland for settling off the Accounts Against New School House \$40.90
Br. Hobbs 28	Brother Hobbs came and Stay'd at My House to Night, he had been to Day to See our Sisters Margaret and Rachel in Afternoon
29	Partly overcast all Day, not quite so cold as Yesterday, at Night looks for foul Weather. The Wind through the Day Westerly and Northeasterly
Collected 29 for Sch Ho.	About 1/2 Past 3 PM I went and Collected 14.53 from David Mann, David Tallman, George Quidor, some Remaining of Abraham Clark which was 1.60
Cut 29 Hogs up	Cut up My 2 Hogs nearly
Larry's 29	At Larry's see January 3
I had 29 Hobbs Horse Shod	I got Brother Hobb's Horse's shoes newly corked and Set, 4 shillings yet unpaid
Br. Hobbs 29 went away gave him	Brother Hobbs took his horse and Waggon, went away About 1 o'clock. I gave him 4 shillings, a bag of potatoes About 1 1/2 Bushels, a Basket of Domina Apples, half peck nuts, and a piece of Pork
Ja Ges ill 29 with his Side 30	Jacob Gesner ill this Morning but very bad Day before Yesterday Morning Clear this Morning and all Day wind Northerly

1836	Memento
Dec. 30 People Salt Hay	People begin to Draw Salt Hay, a few Yesterday the roads are very Rough and exceedingly Icy
Hogs 30 Weighed & cut up	I cut My 2 Hogs up Yesterday; but finished this Morning, the one Weighed 175 lb and the other 145 lb, the former a Sow and the latter a Barrow
At Herbts. 30 paid	Last Night 1 lb candles at Herberts, 1 shilling 4 pence paid
Coffee 30 paid to J. Law.	Paid Jon Lawrence 1 shilling 6 pence for 1 lb Coffee He got for Me at Slote
Betsy first 30 in our room &c	To Day is the first time Jacob Gesners Wife Betsy has been in our Room Since she was confined
31	Thinly overcast this Morning, cold and continues so all day, not much wind
George 31 Concklins Son Drowned Skating on the River	Drowned this day; One of George Concklins Boys named George, got drowned this Afternoon; taking his Skates contrary to his Mothers orders, went on the river. Skating opposite the New Landing orange Town, venturing out too far, broke in and lost his life to the intolerable grief of his Mother &c — the flats Running out quite far he was found by some means, and to be buried Monday 2nd January at 2 PM

INTERESTING EVENTS

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- 4, Jan. 11, 1835: People walking across river at Snedens for several day, ice thick
7, 8, Jan 16, 1835: Controversy about Sturr as school teacher
11, Jan. 21, 1835: Jacob Gesner having spasms
13, Jan. 21, 1835: More about Sturr and school
14, Jan. 22, 1835: More about Sturr
15, Jan. 23, 1835: More about Sturr, continues off and on until page 22, Jan. 29
18, Jan. 26, 1835: Nicholas receives letters from Henry and Abraham Gesner in Nova Scotia
20, 21, 22, Jan. 29, 1835: More about Sturr and school trustees
26, Feb. 6, 1835: Mistress Stephens stayed with Nicholas, had walked from Fort Lee
28, Feb. 11, 1835: People crossing river at Snedens on ice, river shut for boats since 8th
29, Feb. 13, 1835: Nicholas sick, back and bowels miserable bad
30, Feb. 15, 1835: Still sick, most excruciating misery
33, Feb. 17, 1835: Jacob Gesner's mysterious ailment
39, Feb. 26, 1835: Henry Concklin's dishonest behavior re deed for Nicholas's land
50, 51, March 14, 1835: School Board meeting, more about Sturr
55, March 18, 1835: Nicholas reports earthquake
58, March 23, 1835: Widow Lawrence taken ill with palsy, dies March 25
60, 61, 62, 63, March 27, 1835: Brother Watkins preaches Mary Lawrence's funeral sermon,
Sturr receives accusatory letter at funeral, blames Nicholas and Jonathan Lawrence
64, 65, March 30 and 31, 1835: More about Sturr's letter, spread abroad
69, April 7, 1835: Nicholas's name not on ballot at Town Meeting
74, April 15, 1835: More about school and teachers, and Zeb Woolsey
77, April 17, 1835: Another Mean and Sordid act of Old Side, place for Sturr to teach
80 83, April 23 25, 1835: Sturr will not give up key to school house
83, April 27, 1835: Nicholas began teaching school at upper landing
105, July 26, 1835: Nicholas taken sick on way home, sick for several days
107, 108, July 30, 1835: Nicholas still sick, Sally's medications
110, Aug. 2, 1835: Nicholas bemoans low attendance at prayer meetings
114, Aug. 4, 1835: Frost in morning, and again on August 9th
118, Aug. 17, 1835: John Haring found dead in bed
119, Aug. 19, 1835: Nicholas begins to take census for Town of Orangetown
127, Sept. 3, 1835: Steamboat *Orange* nearly scuttles tow boat from Snedens
130, Sept. 7, 1835: John Willsey sold southern Willsey house to Leonard Beasley
135, Sept. 15, 1835: Nicholas finishes census
144, Sept. 28, 1835: Nicholas starts teaching school upper landing again
149, Oct. 9, 1835: Nicholas writes deed from George Mann to John Willsey for northern
house, later known as Willsey tenant house
151, Oct. 13, 1835: Halley's comet with drawing by Nicholas
155, Oct. 18, 1835: Comet still visible, another drawing by Nicholas
162, 163, Oct. 31, 1835: Nicholas ready to give up teaching at upper landing
165, Nov. 4, 1835: Nicholas has 15 people cutting up apples in evening at his house
168, Nov. 8, 1835: John Hagen drowned, his body found
179, Dec. 1, 1835: Jacob Gesner very poorly
187, Dec. 19, 1835: The Great Fire of New York
190, Dec. 26, 1835: School District meeting agreed to raise money for new school

191, Dec. 27, 1835: Peggy Post opposed to idea of school on Herbert's lot
 192, Dec. 31, 1835: Nicholas and Gracey invited to Sarah Lawrence's birthday tea
 198, Jan. 14, 1836: Nicholas's horse Sorrel died
 208, Feb. 1, 1836: Nicholas asked to examine sloop being built
 218, Feb. 22, 1836: Dispute at night at Herbert's store
 219, Feb. 22, 1836: Sam Sneden and Leonard Beasley fighting at Herbert's
 222, 223, Feb. 28, 1836: Old Side minister castigating evil doers
 226, March 4, 1836: Trial between John Willse and Leonard Beasley
 232, May 10, 1836: Alfred ran away again but his father sent him back
 233, May 12, 1836: Daniel Vervalen and Catharine Willaey married "Decent wedding"
 233, May 17, 1836: Nicholas gives opinion on John Smith's will
 239, May 23, 1836: Jacob Gesner and wife move to New York. He has work in a shipyard
 240, May 25, 1836: David Mann asks sarcastically whether new schoolhouse will have a pulpit
 242, May 28, 1836: Erasure found on John Iseman's will, latest will invalid as a result
 258, July 1, 1836: Nicholas plants seven kinds of potatoes, lists names
 267, July 19, 1836: Nicholas's corn destroyed by striped worm
 284, August 25, 1836: Steamboat *Franklin* runs into Brooklyn ferry, splitting and sinking it
 284, August 26, 1836: Peggy Concklin accused William and Albert of abusing her daughter Margaret
 286, Sept. 2, Concklins move out of Nicholas's house after Peggy's accusations
 289, Sept. 6, Joe Dubois builds barn across old lane to original Gesner house
 302, Sept. 28, 1836: Steamboat *Rockland* ran on a rock and sank later raised
 304 306, Oct. 3, 1836: Altercation between David Mann and Nicholas about fences
 310, Oct. 11, 1836: Nicholas told Alfred to shoot two of Phebe's chickens
 311, Oct. 11, 1836: Terrible accident; Sarah Pennoyre fatally shot by neighbor's boy with pistol
 329, Nov. 27, 1836: Gracy ill, worm comes from her mouth
 334, Dec. 5, 1836: Jacob Gesner's month old daughter dies
 341, Dec. 20, 1836: Jacob Gesner bad with his side
 343, Dec. 24, 1836: Albert has accident with cider barrels, Nicholas "gives him a few stripes."
 346, Dec. 31, 1836: Young George Concklin drowned skating on Hudson, fell through the ice