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JULY 1901

Mustered crutched sheep in front paddocks
 & put them in old yards. Picked out 5 fat ewes &
 put them in reserve & 1 for dogs meat. Got in
 all ewes from back. found one east near
 Mr Greenwips & got her in, left 3 weak hogg^s in
 ridges. John started school this morning.

Got 4 letters today, one of them an invitation
 to Emma Englebretson's wedding on the 3rd inst.

TU 2 Married 17 years today. Showers. El & Co drove
 to Mr Feibergs, the 2 girls at home. El sent
 letter to Alice today with cheque for £5.0.0
 to help defray funeral expenses. John got
 a pig-ringer at Browns for 1/6 dug under
 fruit trees at Stockg^d. Gave some hay to cows
 & two horses tonight. Get very little milk now.

WED 3 Very fine day. Went to the wedding of Emma
 Englebretson & August Walter Gower.

On Monday put on back all 369 dry sheep
 left on ridges 3 weak hogg^s in reserve 5 fats
 & 1 from one for dogs. = 378 in reserve before 32
 total dry sheep on back & reserve = 410


TH 4 JULY

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Worked at cowshed, inside. John bought castors for sofa at P Browns, & bag sugar at Beckettes. Give hay now to 2 horses & 4 cows. Letters from M^{rs} M^cKull & Charlie & bill from M^{rs} Farlane.

FR 5 Sent cheque to Mutual Life Ass. £1 14 10 also cheque for Violin to J V Lawrence £ 2 5 6 also rabbit rates to E Gilbertson - 5 6

Sent Babbis photo to Miss Webb & 1 to Alice. Went with El & John to see Montgomery's pictures. Some snow tonight. Hilda Gribble stays here


SAT 6 Split some henan posts on flat & sledged  in firewood. John got 2 bushel of fowlwheat at Beckettes, 1/2 sn. Snow. Ground was hard. Gave hay this afternoon to calf, mare & 6 cows.


SUN 7 All at home. With John put 3 dry cows out on back, & kept 3 in, milk at night. Hilda went home at night. Weather unsettled.

MON 8 Cut some limbs off trees in slope plantation.  grubbed out broad leaf poplar suckers. Rough day. Worked inside cowshed. Wind

TU 9

JULY 1901


 Put in 3 flax roots in pigs paddock. Got in and crutched 54 Ewes 1 ewether. Fine forenoon, showers & very rough afternoon. M^{rs} Martin called with the fruit trees ordered.


WED 10 Paid P G Grant on acc^t. £1-10 more shod  & John got filly shod at Oun. M^{rs} Alfred Engelbaten called looking for 2 geese, they were near the door. The dam borrowed crowbar. Killed poor hogg for dogs. Stuck the 6 fruit trees in the ground.

TH 11 Worked in cowshed. A Photographer "took" NHR the house on his own acc^t. M^{rs} Randerson here tonight. He has leased Kinges place. Steady rain


FR 12 Did some work in cowshed, made partition RANGE M^{rs} Randerson went to Hastings. Rain

SAT 13 Rain all day long. Finished inside shed. Put the horses in Reserve. Cows hang about.


SUN 14 All at home. Rain now & nearly all day. MON 15 Sawn and split & sledged in firewood  skinned Hogg died in Reserve. 2 Miss Frieburg & M^{rs} Wilson called. Very fine day.

 Invitation to a Collins & Miss Gomis Wedding

TU 16 JULY 1901


 Heavy frost this morning, crutching ewes & lace at Mrs Cummings's. Top & babba Fribergs

WED 17 Crutching the ewes very heavy and


 springing. El at Mr Gribbles. Frost this morning. Very fine day. John & babba got strong boots at Hansens & sleepers

TH 18 Crutched 20 which were in shed. Wet day.


FR 19 Wet day. Did no work. Frank & Nut came by coach

SAT 20  Caught & killed 2 young roosters. Got the geese into buggy shed & cut their wings & John took a gander to Gowers. El & John drove to O'Hara's for a sack of potatoes but got none. Walked over back with Frank & saw Cattle. Buttercup springing


SUN 21 All at home. John drove Frank to Jessops

MON 22  Drove Frank to Factory & along road towards Ngamoko. Got cheque £10-0-0 from Factory. Frank sent Telegram to Sam M. Melt. Mr & Mrs Ennis came in this afternoon & went back to Jessops. Rev Wills called. Very fine day.


TU 23 JULY 1900

 Walked through ewes & saw Cattle. Soft sort of weather. Drove Frank to Station & he nearly missed the train. Letter from Alice. D Webb


WED 24 Went to Arthur Collins & Miss Gowers wedding

 Showery & rainy day. Drove to Waa Church. Went up at 6 o'clock in the evening & stayed until nearly nine & brought up John & babba


TH 25 Sledged in 2 or 3 loads of firewood

 Got in & crutched 24 ewes after dinner & put 20 in the shed. Letter & fiddle string from B Wilson. Papiakura. A very dry day.

FR 26 Finished crutching the ewes 256 & 11 mixed

 Got in Buttercup & her calf from back. She had a heifer calf today. Paid Adela 5/6. She is paid up to the 1st August & sent cheque to Sandtmann 13-15. Top drove to Fribergs with her Violin.

SAT 27 Sledged in firewood. Killed a third rooster

 Split a few posts. Planted 4 fruit trees in garden & 1 medlar opposite end of house. Steady rain set in in the afternoon.

SUN 28 JULY 1901





Fine dull day, all at home. Skinned hog on back.


MON 29 Boiled some dog's meat & mangolds for pigs. El & Co drove to P. & Granton met Charlie at express

TU 30 Heavy continuous rain at dinner time. Charlie went home, left here by coach.

WED 31 Heavy showers today. Sent a half Can of milk to the factory today, only sent it twice last week. John got 2 bushel wheat at Bucks 2p. A good deal of rain has fallen this month.

TH 1st AUGUST

  Top went through Ewes & found a ewe & lamb. Sent house insurance money £1.12 to J Sandtmann. Altes Reservoir rent £2.5.6


 Shook orange grassed on bare spots. Mrs Thodam & her 3 children this afternoon

FR 2 Snow this morning. Disappeared before noon. John walked to school. Split a few hemaw posts on flat. Babba at Thodam

SAT 3 Rough day, very high winds. helped John to keep Friis hay from being blown away. Went to glass meeting of Farmers Union. Some snow


SUN 4 AUGUST 1901




 All at home. Put Lily out on back. A very drying fine day. A Ewe with twins on flat.


MON 5 Four ewes lambed last night. Top going through them found a ewe cast on flat with twins one dead. Ewe weak. took her in on sledge. El & Co drove to Library, gave them cheque of 2. She saw Mr. Webber & baby. Very fine day.

TU 6 Sledged branches lopped off trees in ~~the~~ plantations, out on to road. El & Co drove to Mr. Friberg's. Two ewes with singles. Put in post for ship rails on corner of lawn.

WED 7 A few new lambs came last night. El & Co drove to factory for butter & gave a  lamb to Oldershaw. She dug in garden & put in some seeds. Fixed the roof of Cowshed & timbered down the iron


TH 8 Put in 21 fruit trees for Mr. C. A Friis, near his  house & 8 on an island up the creek. Very fine day. Two or three ewes lambed last night. El & Co working in flower garden. Mrs L Anderson called. Letter from George.

FR 9 AUGUST 1901


 Dug some in oak netting enclosure. Planted a row of Raspberry plants in three and a few strawberry plants. Killed a rooster in the morning and a fat ewe at night.

Mr. Collinge called with a Sub. list for Mr. Otto Engelbreiten. El gave 2/6. Mr. Robertson called. Stanley Gribble here tonight.

SAT 10 John took a piece of mutton to C A Friss.

 Planted an oak pine & macracarpa in oak plantation. Carried out to back a sack of manger grasses & shook it in bare worn eaten places. Rain last night & today. 15 or 20 ewes lambed last night. They are no trouble so far. John went with man & dray to Horsewood. Took a bit of firewood to P. G. Grant & got from him two cases, one zinc lined. He bought 2 hand brushes at W H R's. He tried to get some seed potatoes from Johanson, had none. A letter from Tilly Thoden to Top. Steady rain just now and nearly all day.

SUN 11 AUGUST 1901

 Rain all last night, not much rain today. Brought in 2 ewes to sheep yards. One ewe had twins on Widenups, her teats were too large for them to suck, both died, put the skin of one twin on a spare lamb & she took to it. Another ewe had a big weak cola lamb on flat, he did not suck before I took him in to sheep yards, good mother, they are all right now. Tonight is cold showery & bad for lambs. Carried in hogg that died on reserve.


MON 12 Continuous rain all last night. Went through ewes, a good many came last night. El & Top to Horsewood, latter took £2.10 out of S bank. Paid sheep tax 14/2. Boiled the last lot of the mangolds & a hogget for pigs. Axel Hansen fell off John's pony (double bank) coming from school & was somewhat hurt. Planted 2 willows (yellow) on flat. Planted young wattle in long plantation instead of Gum which died. A very fine day this. John got flask of brandy for his mother.

TU 13 AUGUST 1901


FR 16 AUGUST 1901


M Lambs coming steady. A black one last night. El & Babba in bed all day. Misses Friberg came in the afternoon. A Ewe with dead lamb got her in & put a twin on her. Killed a spot Ewe for M^r. Four new. Killed a while pullet for flying into garden, a very fine day.


WED 14 Top went through Ridges & Widenups


 Found a ewe cast. I went over flat & sledged in two loads of wood for washhouse. Stuck in 4 willows yesterday & 6 today in a gully on flat. El in bed a little better today. Babba quite well.

TH 15 John took a shup cut up, on his saddle to


 Omn^s for 1st train directed to M^r. Fourneau. He got to station in time to send it & paid 2/1. We got today from Frances. Washing dolly, apples Cuttings, balls & letter from M^{rs} Frances.

 A lot of rain fell last night & some today. Planted willow at dam on back. Filly in reserve. Mare calf & 3 cows to give hay to. El a little better today. Still in bed ^{3 days}


 Found ewe cast on flat with dead lamb alongside her. Ewe lambing steadily. Another black lamb on flat. Babba let Bran go off when he cleared out, but came home in the evening.

 Planted oak near brown gate. Put in 2 posts in fence flat - Ridges. Bought a pair of Things at Beckett's for 2/6. A spring day.


SAT 17 Through Ewes & Lambs. No fresh ones.


 Killed pig. I Neal here at dinner time. Asked me to enroll him as a member of the Farmers Union. Attended a meeting of the latter at 8 PM Lutheran Hall. about 16 members joined. I am amongst them

SUN 18 All at home. Calm day. No fresh lamb


 last night. Cut up pig & rubbed some salt on pork & laid it in big trough

MON 19 Only 2 or 3 ewes Lambed last night


 Sledged up long face cuts searching re. to fence corner garden, also posts & stools. a fine spring day. M^r. Beckett & 2 children. El up today & half the day yesterday.

 Fenced in a garden in a corner of flat-back-ridges. Top went through sheep 2 fresh lambs, put in a row of peas in new garden. Lettuce from Rosebank & Willy, Hadam


WED 21 Found ewe lying down lambing.


 Helped her. Had to take her in on the sledges with her lamb. She had another lamb after being brought in. Dug a bit in new garden. Poor babba crying (her lute).


TH 22 Found a splendid ewe dead on flat after lambing, with a good single lamb.

 Top goes through Widenups & ridges. She found a dead lamb on Widenups, put its skin on the other lamb & the ewe took tort. Got by Coach 45 lbs seed potatoes (puritans) from M^r. Fourman. Put in 3 rows in new garden, manured 2 rows next the peas did not manure the 3rd row. Sledged up rotted sheep dung. Top got a watch by post from Charlie. Showery day.


Chimney on fire tonight


 Sifted two chimneys. Went through all ewes & lambs, 5 or 6 lambed last night. Put in 2 rows of potatoes in new garden. Round seed so far 4 rows next peas.

SAT 24 Sledged out manure to new garden  Put in 2 rows of cut seed potatoes. John split & sledged in firewood.

 A few lambs come every night. Went to Becketts at night. A letter from M^{rs}. Bonclair. Soft spring weather


SUN 25 El & John to Orn^g Church & in the afternoon they with Top went to Norwood shool house church. Quintrell preached to them at both places. I went to Heals & dined at Ada's. Saw cattle at back. Bridget springing fast.


MON 26 Put in some potatoes. Carl Smith  Carted from Orn^g a window & glass door for back verandah. A very fine day. Frosty.


TU 27 Cow Bridget had white heifer calf yesterday  Got them home from back. El & M^r. Callender to Makatoku. Twin lambs died. Ewe has deficient teats.


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
AUGUST 1901

 Sawed & split some rails & henau posts on flat. Got in ewe about to lamb & had to take lamb from her, both all right now. El & C. at Mr. Oldershaw.

 Planted a $\frac{1}{2}$ wattle in back garden & planted a few, 24 seed potatoes at home.

TH 29 Sawed & split a few posts. Put in a row of  potatoes in garden. Top found a dead lamb with a ewe in Widenups. Got in & put the skin on a twin. El & C. drove to Mr. Nigors


FR 30 Three or four fresh lambs last night  Two more black ones, four now. Sledged posts & rails to Corner plantation. El & C. went to 4 houses today.


SAT 31 Worked at corner plantation fence. Very few lambs coming. Split some long henau  posts - 7 ft. to fence single trees against horses. Farmers meeting adjourned. All, except John went to concert. Beck memorial Monument. El sang, I chair. good concert. This weather is like summer. John went to Griddles tonight


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
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All except Top went to Orn. Church. Mr. D H Grant spent the afternoon here. Fine day.


MON 2 One or two ewes lambed last night. Planted  poplar tree in sheep yard plantation. Put in 4 blocks to stand tank on. a little rain.


TU 3 Levelled & painted 4 x 2's to lay on blocks  on which tank stands, dug out old blocks fixed tank on new blocks. Some light rain. El & C. bought at Randersons goods = 16/4.

WED 4 Said down battens outside back door  Mr. & Miss Randerson. Rain most of the day.

TH 5 Some rain now & then nearly all day.  2 fresh lambs last night. Started to make a wheelbarrow. Letters from Geo & Ce Wallace.

FR 6 Finished the barrow. Sledged some posts to fence & put up a couple of pannels. Good spring day.

SAT 7 A black dog chased the ewes & lambs through  Widenups & down to Krafekin bridge.

 Finished 3 rail & netting fence on flat corner. Attended Farmers Union in the Hall and a Com mitter of 13 members elected.

SUN 8

SEPT 1901

Found wither east on back, not long down.

El Eva & John went to Crm^l. Church, came home early. John spent most of the day with other boys at Nicholaisens with Chap. Saw 2 hares on back. Steady rain tonight.

MON 9



Planted trees in "corner plantation". 3 Macracarpa, 3 wall nuts a few nettles some pines. A very fine day. Washed & hung 2 hams & 2 shoulders of bacon. Very fine day.



An Anarchist fired at & put 2 bullets into President McKinley. Czolgosz anarchist.

TU 10



Planted & fenced a single pinus tree between shepyard & oak plantation Old W. High Committed a suicide last night by hanging. Bug some in netting garden. Pung the 2 little pigs. El & Co got factory money 17/10. Top found big single lamb dead.

WED 11



Good rain this morning. Tank half full. Found lamb on flat with his head caught under a small log, he cannot stand. Put a string of red rags & quills over peas in new garden as the birds were pulling them up.

TH 12

SEPTEMBER 1901



Finished digging Yess garden. Went to C. O. Hugh's funeral with El & Ev. C.A. Friis brought me some seed potatoes. W.^{rs} Raisher called.

FR 13



Found a motherless lamb on back. Put him on flat. Found a big dead lamb with his head under a small log. Put in 3 rows of seed potatoes in garden. W.^{rs} Thodsen & Children here. Got in Reserve sheep, 22 & daggied them left 2 weak ones in Resⁱⁿ 24. The grass showing up nicely in Reserve & front.

SAT 14



Morning boisterous, considered it too rough to dock the lambs. Weather boarded the back verandah. Rumoured that T Joseph is sick. John rode up to see him. A letter from W.^{rs} Lochhead. Windy tonight.

SUN 15



Windy day. Pulled the wool off 2 old ewes on back. "Larkay" & "Strawberry" springing got them in to Reserve. John saw 2 hares


MON 16



Worked at window on back verandah. News of the death of President McKinley. A fearful rough evening. Wind & rain.

TU 17 SEPT 1901

SAT 21 SEPT 1901


 Went through ewes & lambs. Two big wattle trees blown down last night, broken off level with the ground, both appeared diseased where broken off. One fell into the garden across paling fence & broke it down. It was the biggest tree in the plantation. Will not plant any more "tall spreading wattles". W^o A Collins and Miss Branderson called. This day fine.


WED 18 Worked at door & window at back exchanged doors. High wind all day. No one went through ewes & lambs today.


TH 19 Hung glass door & fixed round both doors. W^o Hetty Collins got buggy to go to Arm^o for her invalid sister. El & Co drove to Newwood in her gig. Wind gone down. A nice day. Letters from Charlie & Fourman

FR 20 Slaged in a load of firewood, got in a cut of ewes & lambs & docked after John came from school & put them on Ridges.




 Put in some carrot seed in wetting garden. Got in ewes & lambs & docked after John came from school at 1 o'clock. 255 Ewes & 245 lambs more Ewe Lambs by 40. Put the lot on the ridges. Top found a dead ewe on flat & a big dead lamb. A very fine day for docking.


 2. Attended "Farmers Union" Com Meeting at Beckitts. Next meeting 5th Nov. SUN 22 Mustered back with John. Found a dead hogg^t & a poor old ewe nearly dead. Put all ewes & lambs on back. Pulled the wool off dead ewe on flat & found a dead black lamb on flat, this leaves 3 black lambs. Found a big dead lamb on flat.


 3. Went with El to Blairgowrie & got home before milking time. Children went to church in school house.

MON 23 Pulled the wool off 3 dead hogg^t & skinned old ewe on back Got factory cheque £1-8-0 chopped away wattle which was blown into garden.

TU 24 SEPT 1901


 Put in carrot seed in "Yew tree garden"
Brought in sheep & skin "old ewe" from back
All hands to Montgomerys show.

WED 25 Put in row of mangolds in garden
 went to Backetts & got him to draw
out a petition asking minister for a
reduction in wool freight. W. Thompson
Sec to Farmers Union is to Communicate
with other Unions on this subject.
Went to Vestry meeting Orm. Home with Morgan.


TH 26 Dug a bit in garden & put in a row of peas.
Put up some shelves in Scullery. Did
some painting on house. Visitors—
 W. Webber & Miss Foster. Rev & W. Wills.

Top John rode to Hulenais & Gollans with a
petition for wool freight reduction, after tea.



FR 27 Dug 3 holes in garden, put in lambs tails
& sheeps shanks & planted pumpkins on top.

Painted back part of house & part of ends.
 El & C. to Norsewood. Came on steady
rain. John called at Planks & H. Yawlings

SAT 28 SEPT 1901

 Painting house. John took 2 bundles
of skins to Orm. station for W. & Kettle
when he went for his 2 day at school.

El & C. drove to Norsewood, exchanged
buggy for Gowers gig to make the driving
easier for their invalid daughter W.
Marsh, who is gone to Wai-puku hospital
Top road to Gribbles on jilly. Hilda came
back with her & is here tonight.

SUN 29 Rain last night and some today
 it is doing good. The Cow "Darkie"
calved in Reserve today a heifer
a big heavy calf. Took calf away
 without much trouble. Went
out on back with John & batba. Saw
a young lamb, dropped out there.
good grass on back, reserve & not bag
in front paddocks. A good month this.

MON 30 Painting house. El & C. at W. Cummings
Darkie's calf, white body & face. red ears & head.
Grass looks well after the rain.

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TU 1st OCT 1901

SAT 5 OCT 1901



Painted iron over verandah & ends of house. Frost last night, grass white this morning. Miss Marsh brought back the buggy & took her gig. El & Co went to Norwood & called at Walter Gowrie's. John rode round the block after school & got signatures to wool petition.

WED 2 Painting house. Cut up wattle which fell



on to a macracarpa in gully plantation, one that was blown down. El & Co to see Mr Calander Sledged in a lot of firewood which John split on flat. Put mare into shup yard plantation

TH 3 Nice rain last night & some showers today



Strawberry had a heifer calf early this morning on Reserve flat, red spots & white. Anniversary of my landing in N. 3. in 1873. Shook out hay in wool shed and got a sackful of hayseed. Spring day.

FR 4 Painting the house part of the day. A



traveler called with an 8 day clock, H2/ is the price to be delivered in March, ordered one. Mr Watson & Miss Richardson called.



Put in gatepost at 1st gate & mended fence. Sawn & split firewood on flat with John. Babba went to sleep under a log.



Took cow "Buttercup" to Sarsens bull. attended Union meeting in Lutheran Hall.

SUN 6 All at home, rough day at first. Fine in



the afternoon. Children saw rabbit on back.

MON 7 Put broad battens at back door for wood-



box to stand on & spot box. Sledged firewood

TUE 8 John found a dry ewe cast on back last

evening when riding across to Blairgowrie.

he put it on the other side. I sledged her in

this morning, she is getting all right.

Sledged accacia tops out on to road

John saw a rabbit on back this evening.

Five little goslings out. Brought them home.

WED 9 Drove to Norwood with El & Co. to P. G. Grants



Got kerosene, brown sugar and other groceries

at O'Becketts. Painted front of Cow shed.

TH 10 Got tickets for Hastings. Went by express

Stayed at Mr M. Nalls. Very fine day.

FR 11

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Went to show from Le Aute also M^r. M^r. M^r. Nutt
& the children. Calm hot day. A great show.


SAT 12 At M^r. Nutt's all day resting. Nice day.

SUN 13 Drove M^r. M^r. El & Charlie to Tait's.


MON 14 M^r. M^r. Nutt drove us to Le Aute station &
we left in the 8.30 train, got to Orm^l. at
midday. Came home in Coach. Put in
some cabbage plants which were given
to El by Miss Tait. Brought from a mother
to bred Leater Lincoln ram lamb, a pet.

TU 15 Painted cowshed. Some light showers.

WED 16 Painting woolshed. El & C^o burning off
in Reserve. Milly Erickson called, afternoon.



 Went through sheep. A ewe cast &
dead in Widdups, a wether cast, not dead.

A ewe dead on back not cast. pulled wool
off both ewes. John brought home the two
Cows from Jens Larsens early this morning.


 The Cow "Bridget" was with the bull
last night. Sultry weather.

THU


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 Took bale of crutchings & case of
 empty bottles for Rob John & Son to
Railway station. Painting fence round grave
in cemetery with El & Babba. Rain in the
evening. Carried home a weak hogg for dogs

FR 18 Walked over paddocks & saw all the sheep.

 Did a little work in the garden.
Letters from Quintrell on church matters &
C Hall M^r in answer to petition on Woodfingh

SAT 19 Drove to Cemetery & finished painting


 the fence. Put a ring in one of the fugs
A little frost this morning. Miss Friberg.

called. John & Gertie gone to Concert tonight
(Beck Memorial) El sold 8 doz eggs at 8 per doz
sold previously eggs at 6 & some at 7 per doz.

SUN 20 At home, two children at school church

M^r. M^r. Beckett & children for tea also Alf
Neal & Sister. Bonnie here tonight. Frosty.

MON 21 Topholm took his young, entire out

 of Reserve. Filly with him. Dagg'd 78
sheep. Put some in Reserve. by young
lambs.

TU 22

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
Dagged the sheep which were in the yard last night. & got in the ones on the ridges & put 2 ewes & 3 lambs in Reserve. The two Miss Mc Nutts & M^{rs} Vigers came at tea time.

WED 23

Got in remainder of sheep with some ewes & lambs & dagged the lot. 367



72 of them in Reserve & 27 lambs amongst them. Got factory cheque £1.6.3

M^{rs} Beckett came for Bonnie. M^{rs} Hodson & children here today. Widenups & ridges look bare, that not so bad. Found a dead ewe  on back, near O'Hara's fence.

TH 24

Skinned ewe on back & found another ewe cast & dead under a log. Carried home dead wool, & watered young trees in plantation, ground dry & hard, grass nearly at a stand still. Showers in the afternoon. Put 4 young calves out of pig paddock into gully plantation. John rode out to back & brought "Lilly" in, Springing.

FR 25

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
Bessie had a foal last night, filly. The can of milk fell off the barrow this morning and was all spilled except a gallon or two. Alice sent a photo of her father and a letter, a letter also from George. M^{rs} Raisher & children in the afternoon. Wheeled manure & put in mangold seeds.

SAT 26


Put in mangolds in garden & threw out weeds &c. John cleaned out well & put in barrel. Made a dam across creek.

At night went to township. No Farmers meeting, only 7 or 8 turned up. Top got a letter from Ella Lee. Big tea meeting in the Salvation Barnacks. Fine dry weather.


SUN 27

All at home. Walked over back & found  a dead ewe in a small water hole where she fell in & got on her back.


MON 28


Getting weeds out of garden & cutting  grass &c. Sent two cans of milk this morning by Aela. John got a watch from Charlie today. Terkie with Larsen
 Full tonight

TU 29 OCT 1901

 Put in some carrot seed in garden and threw out weeds. Found hogg^s cast on flat. very dry weather, have to throw water on the vegetables in garden. W^r Drake called for annual return of farm belongings. John borrowed a pound off W^r Beckett.

WED 30 Earthed up potatoes in new garden.


 Dug in garden & shook turnip seed.


 Sent Johns money £1. 14. 10 to Agent Mutual Life Association Napier.

F. Forward called with his Entire Nigger. Another very dry day. Rain wanted for gardens. Top went through sheep today.


TH 31 Found a hogg^s cast in Reserve, on his ~~back~~ back for 2 or 3 days. Skinned carrots ~~in~~ in far garden. Put 2 lambs back to their mothers on back, thro fence with dog. A very little light rain this morning. Watered some things in garden. This has been a dry month, but grass fair at present.

FRI¹ NOV 1901

 Manured & put in two drills of potatoes in garden, about 20 seed of eating potatoes as an experiment. Dug a bit, ground


 very dry. Went to the funeral of W^r Marsh, which left Arthur Collins's. Shored the 5 rams. Lily had heifer calf.

SAT 2 Got in Reserve sheep Shored 7 & put them & the woolly ones out on ridges.

 Shored the ewes with the late lambs. & put them in Reserve = 23.

Docked the lambs - 29. W 13. E 16. Docked before 245, two died that I know of. Came on steady rain after we finished docking & putting ewes & lambs in Reserve about 6. 30. Got W^{ms} & Nettles £4. 18. 9 Cheque for Crutchings 2³/₄ & skins 2⁵/₈ 2³/₄

Too wet to go to Lutheran tea meeting tonight.

SUN 3 Got in woolly ewe off Flat & shored her.  Her lamb was in Reserve, put her in with her lamb. John at cc Smiths, got 3 trout. Found 2 cast in Widenups. 2 Miss M^r Kulls after noon. Put 29 woolly shub on shed.

MON 4

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Bridget round on 5th

Commenced to shear after breakfast
Shore about 43 & put 26 in shed tonight

Nov 5th Grey Fowkes day. Shore 58. El picked
up & rolled. John & Top put all woolly
sheep off ridgers into ridges. Shorn
sheep on flat. Put 60 into shed tonight

WED 6 Shore 60 sheep & 1 lamb (one ewe
a dog killed lamb in pen) Shopped
amongst those shorn) Shopples
Came for 2 bales. Sold him 2
for 5/-. Youngsters got in sheep.

TH 7 Shore 61. Came on wet. Cold showers.
about 257 sheep shorn now.

FR 8 Went to Mr. Becketts in the morning with
subscription list for Stipend fund
got a bag sugar & 1/6 tea. Got in sheep
and shorn about 36. Top gone to a
meeting at Christophersens (Sonders girl)
Put 21 woolly sheep in shed tonight
Wrote W^{mo} & K. for 14 3/4 bales & 1/2. Sh. radsen
ground very dry again.

SAT 9 NOV 1901



Shore 14 before breakfast. Kings B. day.
got in woolly sheep = 63. Counted out
on ridges & Widenups 293 & 24 in Reserve
One woolly sheep dead in ridges.
John went to boys cricket match "Crm"
12 woolly sheep left in shed tonight.
Jessie M. Natt. came & gone with El
& Top to Cricketers Concert.

SUN 10 Shorn the 12 in the shed early this morning
& put them on Ridges. All dry sheep
shorn. Cold showers today, the rain does very
little good to the ground. Jessie left, afternoon.

MON 11 Went with Top & Babba & mustered
Ewes & lambs & put them on flat
Found a dead ewe, cast & 2
Cast which we lifted. Hoed up & wed
the potatoes in garden & thinned a mangold
Put cow dung to & tied bagging over
elm trees in pig paddock which the pigs
barked. Got in ewes & lambs & put some in
shed. Put 2 posts in fence, back-flat.

TU 12 NOV 1901



Star calved this morning, bull, very heavy calf. Shearing ewes & lambs. Shorn 41 ewes & 34 lambs & put them on ridges. Miss Christophersen came with tickets to be sold by Top for concert to help Sanders girl. Dry weather. Harsh winds blowing.

WED 13 Shearing ewes & lambs. In the evening went with El & Top to the wedding of B Smith & Miss Martin. Left at 12.30.

THU 14 Shearing ewes & lambs. Rough day. Hail & rain, cold. I have not kept a count account of shorn sheep going out, make it 77 ewes 2 wethers & 3 fat ewes so far. A hen sitting for a week on 9 turkey eggs. The eggs are gone, not a sign of a shell.

FR 15 Birthday. Pressed 2 bales of wool & put another in the box ready for pressing. Got in & put in pens 24 ewes & 25 lambs. The rain did not do much good. Ground very hard.



SAT 16 NOV 1901

Shearing up to nearly 5 o'clock. Killed a longtail lamb. Went to social in Village Hall. Top & Milly Erickson doorkeepers. Dancing songs & games. £10-7 taken. To buy sewing machine & invalid's chair for Sanders girl. Babba & mamma at home. Some rain.

SUN 17 All at home. El & C. at Thodsens. John & Babba took them a ty of lamb.

MON 18 Got in 38 ewes & their lambs, amongst them 1 fourtooth wether & 1 fat ewe. In the evening John got in 17 ewes & their lambs. He took Bertie to Larsen, but

TU 19 Shorn the ewes & their lambs which were in shed. Got in 13 & their lambs & then rain came on & afterwards a cold wind, rough night. Killed a whogget. El got another bottle P Food today from Prior Danville, a large one this time.


WED 20 Shearing ewes & lambs. Ewes very dagggy. Lag them on the board. Sent 1/2 wether to Emma





WED 20

TH 21

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 Got Factory cheque £3. 6. 1
Shearing heavy daggy ewes, 4 lambs
El, Top, & Batta got in remainder of woolly
Sheep off Flat. 9 in shed tonight & about
15 in yard to be shorn & about 50 lambs.


FR 22 Finished the ewes. El Top & Batta got
 in all sheep off Flat & put all the
woolly lambs in the shed. 16 left tonight
Canon Webb called, but did not come to shed


SAT 23 Finished shearing this morning.
 All hands went to Danewirk. We
hired a horse from Carl Schmidt (Moss).
Bought boots in Danewirk & fruit, peas,
potatoes & home after 5 and then went
to Wesleyan tea meeting. Home after 12.


SUN 24 Walked across paddocks to Neals
& C C Smiths to enquire about sheep buyer.
Mr. Gribble & her pa & ma & little girl
here for dinner & tea. Mr. & Mrs. Beckell
& children for tea. Some rain in the
afternoon. The weather turned cold.


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Illustrated sheep on back section & traced
off fat ewes & wethers roughly. Put store
sheep back again & fats on flat.
 John took mare & foal to Forward
Entire this morning. Late home with them.
Pressed a bale of wool. Top helped me.

TU 26 Got in ewes & lambs & picked out 16
 fats & put them on ridges flat. Opened
hurl at 3 gateways & let ewes & lambs
draw out on back. A Frost this morning
The potatoes are nipped. We pressed
3 bales. The Cattle Inspector called here
& saw the Cows in the stockyard.

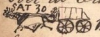
WED 27 Pressed the remainder of the wool except
 the Bellis, dead & pieces. 650 fleeces & 26
fleeces left over since last year, total 676
Some light misty rain today, not much use.

TH 28 Finished the pressing of the 13th & last
 bale, locks bellis & dead on top
bought things at P. G. Grants & Beckells
C Smiths express took 5 bales to station

FR 29 NOV 1901



Put in a few short rows of Cabbage plants & did some weeding. Got down 4 bales to Orm. & put 9 bales on truck. John's school days over in Orm. some light rain. Letter W. M. Velt.



Weeding carrots until dinner time. El & C. drove mare, for the first time without feet to Gribbles. Top staying there tonight. Took the remaining four bales of wool in C. Schmidt's express & put them on truck, goes to Napier to night. Sent letter of description to W. M. Velt. LIVELY HAS 3 small bot calf.

SUN 1st DECEMBER 1901

All at home except Top. Went out to back with babba & John. Came across two old Morespokes & young one John caught the young one, and let him go again. At W. M. Velt's brought & when we came home at nearly 10 o'clock Top Hilda & Stanley Gribble was here.

MON 2 John got mare shod, new set at Lethy.

UUUU Picked out 48 wethers & 64 ewes, fat & put



them on flat & wrote to M. C. Gillray. John gone to Napier. El & C. drove him to Orm.

TU 3

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Finished weeding the carrots. Oiled some of the cart harness. El & C. drove to M. Gowers. They were not at home so they went to E. Ething. W. M. Beckell with them. a slight shower did no good. Tank nearly empty again.

WED 4 Wheeled all dogs away from shed into garden. Put the two biggest Calves into Reserve. Carried water from spring to garden. El & C. at Martins - a meeting about Church of England Social on New Years eve.

A telegram from M. C. Gillivray Re price of Withers 9/6 maiden ewes 8/6 old 7/6. Weights of wool from Williams & Kelle

TH 5 Made drain at spring on hill for pipes to be laid. W. M. Herd tuned piano. A hot day.


FR 6 Laid pipes from spring to sunken pipes. Spilled up round pipes & box. El & C. driving

about amongst the houses begging for New Years Eve Social. Put cows in Pridges last night & tonight again. John came home from Napier at midday. Top drove in for him.


SAT 7


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
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 Fixed up fence behind firewood. Box filled this morning with beautiful clear water.


SUN 8 All at home. Dry harsh warm day.


MON 9 Made or erected clothesline on hill.  W

 washed under willow at pipes & hung clothes on new line. Made swing in gully for Babba. John walked to school. The filly wants shoeing. A good heavy shower put water in tank, nearly half full. Painted the bottom of tank. Nils Olsen brought sack of fowl wheat. Cut the tops off 3 dip tins for it.

TU 10 Did a little work about the place.  M^{rs} Thorsen & 3 children & M^{rs} Cumming for lunch. El & C^o drove M^{rs} Cumming home. El tea at P. & Grants. & at a meeting in Wesleyan church. Very heavy welcome rain.

WED 11 John had a letter from F. Adnan last night.


 Put ewes & lambs out of reserve into Widenap. 25 Ewes 29 lambs 3 or 4 of the latter no good.


 Hilda Gribble brought 5 little ducks last night. El & C^o drove to Norawood.

TH 12


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 Got in withers & ewes off flat & branded Ewes with red paint - bottle brand, did not brand the withers - 45. Ewes 65 or 67. put them on back.


 Thinned some mangolds in garden & put in 15 seed potatoes to experiment with put dry bags in with them & sowed over them some liquid manure. A few drops of rain.

FR 13 Steady rain all day. Fixed up & repaired

 a chair in shed. Note from JHS to see W. Wills

SAT 14 A wet day. Some very heavy showers. Sicked

 Kapoc with El & John in woolshed.

 Gilbert McLeod called. Got in a sledge

load of firewood with Chessie. I stayed

at home at night with Babba. The others

went to school concert. Hilda came back ^{with} them

SUN 15 Rough day. Went with El to see W. Wills

he looks very ill. Knows he is incurable.



When we came back C. C. Smith & Ada here

also Alf Neal, latter & John gone to Lutheran




Church. Top gone to see Hilda towards home

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

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
☑ sent letter to Williams & Kelle to allow passage on 12 bales of wool from 4 to 3½. John took  chassie & foal to Forwards & left them there until evening. Came home from school that way. Mastered back with Top. Picked out  118 ewes & wethers & put them on ridg. Ewes & lambs on flat. Showery evening & very cold.

TU 17 Some showers in the forenoon. Dig some

 potatoes in far garden & pulled carrots  a poor crop of potatoes through drought & frost. Made a three legged stool for Babba to milk on. El & C^o gone to Omⁿ. school concert. gave a lift to Rev. M^r. Foster & M^{rs}. Foster. Babba 




WED 18 All at Omⁿ. School concert at night.

TH 19  John took Stay to Sarsens Bull.  Picked some kenau posts on flat.


 Rough windy day. W^m & Kelle's letter wool passed in at 3¼. Bellis re sold at 2½. No Scholarship for John he was 30. A meeting at Beckells for Church Council. Present Beckell Morgan Martin & Self. Alf Neal called. Finished shearing at Gollan


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
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 Rough day with showers. El & C^o drove to Beckells & bought groceries, scythe blade  reape hook stone &c. M^{rs}. Thodsen  I went with her to P.G. Grants & got dress. and is making it for her. Jessie & Mary M^r. Kall came & went back by coach. Cut a little long grass in garden. A Telegram from George, coming tomorrow


SAT 21 M^r. Mc Gillivray came before breakfast

 & picked out 38 wethers & 67 ewes. The price dropped again immediately after mine were sold. He orders trucks. I put the sheep on the trucks on Monday at Makatoku. Mowed the grass in the garden

 Found "Rosie" a young cow due to calve in Jan, dead in the slip gully in a hole in the creek. George came at midday.

 John took Lively to Sarsens Bull.

SUN 22 All except Top went to see where "Rosie"

 was lying dead. Babba on horseback. Heavy rain fell in the evening.



Took the 105 fat sheep to Makaloku and

put them on two trucks. George & Pat became in buggy. Tried mare with Entire. Forward pronounces her all right. Got in some ewes & lambs off back & killed 2 lambs one for ourselves & one for Fourncais. Sold one to Alick Hegh for 10/- Steady rain tonight. Got Factory cheque today £ 3- 6- 1 after deducting 8/- overpay last month.

TU 24 Did no work today except to sledge in

some greenwies from back section.

got some fern trees &c. Youngsters met Charlie at station all hands went up on hill. A great many people about. El on hill getting things Paid P. G. Grant £ 14.

WED 25 John & Abba met Frank advanced

XMAS station. Cose day. Forenoon fine.

Plenty of rain in the afternoon. Paid 15/- to Adela - up to 1st Jan^y 1902. Frank

brought 2 pigeons to John. Charlie made a cage for them. All home tonight

Fine day. George & Charlie gone to Te Aute in Express train. Top brought back Wills' two boys. Sledged in some firewood from back

FR 27 Plenty of mushrooms about. John & Frank took Strawberry to Bull.

Got letter from Wm & Kelle to say eleven bales of wool sold privately at 3 1/2 per lb. only a bale of lambs to be sold now.

Got provisions at Beckells for new yr. Social.

SAT 28 Mustered back sheep picked out Ewes

& lambs & put them on Widesups. dry sheep on back. one lamb had his leg broken, put splints on it. Hot day. All hands went to Gribbles social. George here. came back from Napier. Leds little Wills sent home.

SUN 29 All hands at home. George, El, & the boys gathered a box full of mushrooms.

MON 30 Baking pastry all day. I & Frank

drove to O'Hara's & Erikkens for eggs &c.

drove to Wills' & gave them some Napier cheese. Cheque for fat sheep today £ 45- 16- 0

Got ferns etc in scrub & decorated Village Hall with F Martin George etc Got up festivity & erected tables, a good spread. A fine day & night and a good many people. Games etc up to 12 o'clock. Dancers remained in hall after social & paid something to Bristle for use of hall. Walked home. Sent letter to Bank with cheque £45.10.0

WED 1st JANUARY 1902

We drove up to hall & washed up delf and removed same from hall & some provisions & left some cakes & for a social to be held on Thursday night on account of 2 troopers leaving for war.

TH 2 Frank gathered mushrooms before breakfast to take home, the morning wet John drove to Osm. for Mr Wallace & Cecil & Norman. George drove Frank to station. Steady rain all the afternoon & night. None of us went to social which was to be held for F Hutchinson & Sund.



Constant rain all last night & some this morning. JW Cook from Waipukuna come by coach at dinner time. Drove him up to see J O'Hara's place. No one at home saw W. Thompson. Called & saw Gundrie & Cook & he talked about the letting of the farm. Top drove George to Osm. he goes to Palmerston tonight. A box & a tin of mushrooms left at station to go to Long Napier tomorrow. Cook walked to Mr Finck's to see about leasing his farm. Mr Westall & her child Erica Gertrude & Siggie came & had tea. J O'Hara came at night to see Cook, directed him to Finck's Wool cheque from Wm's & Kelle £69 4 1

Ed & Mr Wallace drove to Beckells & bought blankets slippers etc. Dull calm night. The bale of lambs wool not sold yet.

SAT 4 Drove to Koraewood paid a £12 bill to P & Grant. To Carl Schmidt £1.5.6 To Arthur Collins 17/6. To Luckwell 3/6. over

SAT 4

JAN 1902

Paid to P.G. Grant a cheque for £25 & got
change = to £13. Sent cheque £68.4.1
to Union Bank today. W Cook after look-
ing at M^{rs} Finch's farm stayed at Tom
Nickolls' last night & then came here at
11 o'clock, at 3 o'clock John drove him to
Orms' & brought back 2 Wills' boys.

SUN 5 Rain most of the day. All at home

John put all ewes & lambs on to Flat.

MON Sent rates to Waipawa C^o £3.10.9

Cheque to F Forward £3.3.0

Cheque to Dinwiddie Walker £1.6.0

Two one pound notes (£2) to A.B. Gibson

To M^{rs} Fairlane Orms' blacksmith & this

has not been delivered today. M^{rs} Cook

from M^{rs} Herbert came by coach, after dinner

John drove her to O'Hara's in the rain.

TUJ John Cecil & Norman drove to Orms'

& sent mushrooms by 1st train & then took

mare to Forwards. Last night M^{rs} Morgan

came with £2.10 church money.

WED 8

JAN 1902

El & C^o at S. Norsewood. Got the
church & ticket account from M^{rs} Beckett
John & the boys sledged in firewood. Steamed
wires, ridges = long plantation. Put the 2 pet
lambs on ridges, no grass in pig paddock.
weaned the two oldest calves in reserve.
M^{rs} Cook went down in coach. Called here.

TH 9 Put in some parsnips & cabbage seed

Sledged in some more firewood.

CA Fries branded 3 knives of his in old

sheep yards. Set ewes & lambs over all front

paddock. Dull cloudy weather nearly always

FR 10 Rain again. Showers very often today.

John & Cecil went to Morgans with

Beckett's Church Social account. Also

to H. Mortensen with rat trap. W.H. Randerson

sent by Claude Pollard, oatmeal, sugar & flour.


Sent by C. Schmitt tin (8 lbs) mushrooms.


SAT 11 Got in the 5 cattle on the back & put


them in Reserve. Paid O'Hara £1.11.4

for meat Paid M^{rs} Fairlane £1.4.0
Paid W.H. Randerson 5


SUN 12 JAN 1902



 At home, Mr Wallace & Ed & John & Cecil to Lutheran church tonight. Edy Martin for tea. Gertie & Norman to school church today. Fine day, no rain, very hot. (fenced wood



MON 13 Sawed & split matai log on flat for  some light rain. Helped Ed John and Mr Wallace to tease Kopok. A swarm of bees on macracaripa tree in gully plantation. Put them in a box. Got in & killed 2 tooth wethers


TU 14 Drove to Mataman with Mr Wallace &  Norman. Had lunch at Boulton's Halliburton's willows & then went into W Halliburton's for a little while. Hooper (Thosson's) came round, brought out F. Deane's bull to her. Mowed a little in plantation. Mr Randerson & her mother called. Top & Flossie Randerson went round the block for a ride. Put the filly in the sledge today & she pulled a bit.


WED 15 JAN 1902

 Commenced to mow in front. Grass very thin. Mr Wallace put Norman on train at Orm's for home. All hands except me at cricket match Norswood. Some rain came on this evening.

TH 16 Filly ran away with sledge & marked  her legs. Went to Gowers sale and  bought scales & weights table knives chair lantern Paid £1.2.0

FR 17 Mowing in front. Better grass today.  Sledged in two loads. Harold Will's  came with a note for Edgar & Leonard. John drove them home to see their father who is getting weaker. He brought them back again. Bran broke his chain & went.

SAT 18 Mowing in front. Sledged in some  hay. A very fine day. Bran away 2 days.

SUN 19 Walked over to Neals. Warm day.  John & Cecil found Bran at Anton Andersens. Evening. Drove out.

MON 20


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JAN 1902

Finished moving in front. Sledged in two loads. Jens Larsen took the 2 cans of milk to Maka toka Creamery as something went wrong with machine at Nowwood factory. John got filly shod. Hot day. Top went for a ride on filly.


C.F. Fredericksen called the sheep buyer.

TU 21 Got in some of the hay in front. El

 Cecil & Co. took down small chimney & scraped bricks. Letter from Nellie Johnson

& 2 cases of plums. Mowed oak plantation. Mr. Randerson & Flossie came after tea.

WED 22 Put the 5 rams out of Reserve yesterday.

 put them on hill. Sledged in the remainder of hay from lawn. El & Co. & Mr.

Wallace went to Village concert. I stay


at home with the 2 little boys. Mr. Wills

came to see them, with Misses Frieberg today.

TH 23 Frank Hutchinson called to say good

bye when going past on his way to the

war. Very rough afternoon. Windy



FR 24

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
A good deal of rain today. Paid £15-0-0

cheque today to Mr. Beckett. His bill was

£8. Letter from Mrs. & Milla Re


bale of lambs wool passed in at 3 per to.

SAT 25 Put all dry sheep off back onto flat

 & all ewes & lambs in front paddocks


on to back. Found a lamb dead on his

back in Ridges. Got in hay in evening

 attended Farmers Union meeting

SUN 26 A note from Mr. Wills yesterday to say

Mr. Wills was dead. Today all hands


 went to the unveiling of memorial

stone in memory of John Beck killed


in the Transvaal war. Very fine day.

Cecil & Top out for a ride. Alf Neal for tea

MON 27 Finished dogging the 2 tooth. 96

 wethers 3 lambs 120 ewes. Went to

The funeral of Rev T.J. Wills with El &



 Mr. Wallace & then to Cummings & then



to Martins Surprise party. Windy night

home at 11.30. Good nights amusement


TU 28 JAN 1902

Worked about the place, rain in the afternoon.
Sent by post to Neal Bros £1-0-0 also
John took Leonard & Edgar Mills home.


WED 29 M^r Wallace & Cecil gathered ferns
 this morning. Skinned dead ewe
 on back at edge of bush & brought
home dogs meat. Went with John to sale
at Orm. Bought 27 two tooth wethers at 1/6
Paid M^r Beale for Guttridge 18/-
Top at a party tonight at M^r Cummings


TH 30 Earmarked 25 two tooth wethers
 which I bought yesterday & two
two tooth ewes & put them on back
 M^r Wallace & Cecil went home today


Put all two tooth off front paddock
into back & 6 head of cattle. Paid 12/- to
Pens Larsen for use of bull & £13-15-0 to
Northern Investment Company.


FR 31 Top rode to Matamau with Flossie
Randerson. Leathered & Greased buggy.
 Sawn firwood on flat
a good month.

SAT 1 FEB 1902

Repaired hurdle & fence where
 Cows go into Reserve. Heifer
jumped over hurdle tonight again
and broke top rail. Sawn & split
firwood on flat. Grace Cumming
here today. A very fine hot day.

SUN 2 Went to Orm. Church with El. Canon
 Webb preached ^{Rev. Willis} a general sermon
after dinner drove to M^r Cumming's & with
M^r & M^{rs} Watson M^{rs} & Miss Cumming
went to Browns Mill. Tea at Cummings

MON 3 Sawn & splitting matai firwood on
 flat. Warm day. John sleaged in
some firwood. El & Top gone to Makotuku

TU 4 Alick High come for John to help him
 get in his crop of oats.
He paid him 2/6. He also
helped to get in Schmidts oats. Went
to Norswood paid P. G. Grant £10-12-6
Had £3 to come out of the cheque.
Sent to Rob Johns for stout, sent £1-0-0



Split & sledged in matai firewood
John cut Cocksfoot & went to cricket
match in Norsewood. Went to Vestymung
in Canon Webbs. Thorestensen called to
about raising kitchen roof.

TH 6 El & C. drove to P & Grants & bought
some drapery, & fruit at Martine
John went to Gollans for glass & the
jilly threw him off. Fine dry weather.
John Paid J J Browns bill 13/6

FR 7 Mended fence at top of long plantation
John rode to Makatoku to enquire
about 10ft lengths of iron, none at Enid
or in Norsewood or Oron. Some at Robins
Look man & ray & babba to Robins
& got 6 sheets at 4/5 each also nails, etc.
Paid cheque for £3.0.0 W. Oldershaw

SAT 8 Thorestensen raised the roof of
back verandah today. Put on new
roof. A good days work. Paid him 9/-
got 100 ft timber at A Engelbutsens
Paid him 6/6





Nice cool morning. M^{rs} Miss & Grace
Cumming came about 11 AM & Miss
Randerson. afternoon thoroughly wet.
After tea John drove all to Lutheran Church
Babba & I stayed at home.


MON 10 A wet day. Mended mares collar.
A rat caught in trap in buggy shed.
G. M^{rs} Leod called to enquire about
sheep buyer. M^{rs} Callender & Miss D Webb.
Sent letter to Wms & Kettle for 3 drums
of Merton's dip & to sell bale of lambs
wool at anything over 3^d per lb.

TU 11 Worked at lookout fence & sawed
a henuan log on back for 100 to. Sent
a letter to M^{rs} Gillivray sheep buyer
A rat caught in a dip tin. Set him go
on lawn, John killed him. Neils Olsen
brought a vinegar cask. Thorestensen
brought pair of brackets which he got
yesterday in Danivort. price 6/6. Some
more rain this afternoon.





 Split some hinan posts on back.  went to play cricket at Makihia in the Norawood 2nd Eleven. Made 15 runs top score for Norawood. Wet evening. Sports at Takapau. Sale at Orm^l did ridge.


TH 13 Wrote Union Bank for a cheque book.


 Buckell's bill paid today £3.3. Sent him a cheque for £4.0.0. News of the death of M^r Gower Sen. Split & dragged with mare some hinan posts. Letter from W^m & Kelle re wool sale. My bale of lambs wool passed at 2 $\frac{3}{4}$.

FR 14 Repairing lookout fence. John laid remainder of posts with mare. He then picked up & laid in washhouse all peasticks & fixed up fence in gully, back - Widenups. El made & wreath & laid it on M^r Gowers Coffin. Put cows on ridges last night & tonight. Very hot for noon & cold this afternoon & some cold showers.


 Worked a little at fence went with El & Babba to M^r Gowers funeral. At night all hands went to Lutheran tea meeting.

SUN 16 Walked across to Hans Mortensen's had dinner there. John had dinner at Thodsons. All but me went to see Volunteer Camp at Amundsons. Alf Neal for tea.


MON 17 Finished fence. Got up the 3 drums of dip. Got set of shoes on mare. Sent nnnn letter to W^m & Kelle re bale of lambs wool & Cheque for dip £3.19.9 El & C^o went to M^r Nicholls. Palle Jensen came with 13 lbs plums at 3^d per lb. Flossie & Essie Randerson & Tilly & Mary Thodsen got in a cut of sheep off back and  dagged & put on Ridges 65 mixed.

TU 18 M^r M^r Gillinay came this morning.  He sent a telegram on Friday to Orm^l to me. I did not get it. Put all sheep in yards. He picked out ewes 147 at 10/6 & 9/6 wethers 54 at 11/6 lambs 34 at 10/6 total 235.

TU 16 FEB 1902


 Brindled heifer "Maffie" with Jens Larsen bull. John got a new pair of boots at Beckels

WED 19 Drove the sheep to Osm. early. Bengtson had 51 at his place to drive & truck with mine & M. Leod's 90. No trucks in the morn. left sheep in railway paddock & trucked them in the evening for the 11 o'clock train Bengtson & the drover helping. Top & Tilly went in train to Danewick hospital demonstration, back to Osm. in 7 o'clock train. John playing cricket at Norsewood


TH 20 Yarded all sheep & dagged 263
 Raddled ewes for rams 95 lambs 94 cull ewes, 2 tooth wethers & 74. Put these on ridges. Put on flat for tomorrow 324 Sent Bank receipt for £200 to Napier the money to remain at interest.


FR 21 Finished dagging. Put 101 breeding ewes on Widiups raddled red on head lambs 231. total 586. E. Hansen swept 2 chimneys. Paid him 3/6

SAT 22 FEB 1902

 Got Factory cheque £5. 4. 10 without the 2 cans of milk sent to Makotetuku Finished picking out ewes & weaning. Put 2 Lincoln rams with 212 ewes. Put lambs & cull ewes in Reserve. Put on flat 101 mostly 2 tooth wethers. Made dam across creek, prepare lary to dipping

SUN 23 At home all day. El & C. at church Norsewood school house. Miss Currying for tea. Top stayed at Martins for tea.

MON 24 Preparing yards for dipping &  cleaning out dip. John carried spent in dip 200 gal's water. The bale of lambs wool sold £5. 10. 9 cheque today from Wm. & Kettle. (3/4) Surprise party tonight at Gollans. all hands here. Home at 1/4 to 12.

TU 25 Dipped Bengtson's sheep 476 Paid 30/6  Dipped our 106 spent them on back they are chiefly wethers. El drove Mr. Currying Got Bank Receipt & Miss Moore to Leon = Andersen. for £200.

WED 16 FEB 1902



Mustered lambs & culls off Rovea and dipped them. 265 & put them on flat. Drove with John to Crm. sale & bought 70 ewes, good ones mostly fat at 8/3 & 48 woolly lambs at 8/. Will send cheque to W Rose in a few days. Have them on lawn tonight as it wants eating down. Poor Top went in train this morning to Fournais. Got Case of fruit from Frances

TH 21 Lammarked dipped & put on back 48

woolly lambs. Received cheque £117.4.0 from Longburn Freezing works. Hot day.

FR 28 Drove three rams to Hans Mortensen & brought back 3 of his & put them with the ewes. Picked out 42 of the young est bought ewes to make up the number many of them 4 & 6 tooth. Dipped 28 Culls (4 wethers amongst them) & put them on back. Sent to Union Bank £117.4.0 & £5.10.9. £50 to be left at interest for year. Sent Receipt to Freezing Works manager

SAT 1st MARCH 1902

Top's Birthday. Seventeen years today. Sent away Reserve rent this morning £2.5 Sent cheque to W Rose Danervirke £40-18- John up early this morning milking. He went to Onga Onga cricket matches.

Whuled sand from creek into garden for bricklayer. Killed poor sheep for dogs.

SU 2 All at home except Top. Dry weather.

MON 3 Dipped the ewes 255 & 5 rams. Frank

Adean sent 2 white pigeons to John.

Letter from Top. Miss's Cumming & Moore


TU 4 Did a little work about the place. made some fires on flat & 4 on back. El called at W. Friis. W. Mortensen came on behalf of West Church. El gave her 2/6

WED 5 Whuled weeds & rubbish out of front flower garden. Painted a little on back of the house. Put 2 weaner calves on back.


Made up fires on flat & some fires on back. W. Thoden & 3 children

Painter Olson called about dipping

TH 6 MARCH 1902


 Dipped 220 sheep for Painter Olsen. Paid. G. McLeod called. Making up fires on flat & back, logs burning well. Letter from John.

FRI Wet day. It will do good. Inside today.

SAT 8 Brought big boiler to Blacksmith  for repairs, a patch on bottom.


John drove to station to meet Top. She had Nellie Fournneau & Belle with her as visitors. Made up fires. John shepherded lambs etc off flat on to back. Nice feed.

SUN 9 All at home. Top & Belle & John Wesleyan Church. The 3 calves nearly fit to wean.

 did last night from drinking milk which stood a night in a dip tin altho the tin was in use for some time and was washed out. Skinned one of the calves a good heifer, a daughter of Lillies. She was very much swollen.


The other 2 were steers, all good calves. Magnusen's boy & Hulen's boy called this evening about dipping.


MON 10 MARCH 1902

 Dipped Magnusen's sheep. Paid 7/6 he had 109. Dipped Hulen's, with pay 24/6. John got bag of sugar at Robinsons.

Insurance Agent W. Arnot called and insured John for £200 against accidents or death. He is to receive £200 with bonuses added after 30 years, he is to be paid as well if he meets with an accident. I paid him £6.12. That is the yearly amount to pay. Dragged away to old sawpit in Reserve the 3 calves.

Made up the fires. W. Cumming called. He took cold shivers this evening, went to bed.

TU 11 Filled & levelled old sawpit in reserve  & covered up the 3 calves, after dinner G. McLeod dipped 119 sheep, is to pay 7/6 made up fires & started some fresh ones on far end of flat.

WED 12 Put ewes & rams on flat. 2 ewes blind  one dead on ridges. El & Nellie Fournneau went in train to Francis. Made fires on back.

TH 13 MARCH 1902



Dipped 50 or 60 sheep for G. M'Leod. He paid for all his dipped sheep = 11/6. Dipped 600 for M. Greevy. He is to bring more tomorrow. He gave me a merino ewe to kill for meat. I killed it - a good sheep & fat enough. El & Nellie Fourneau came back from Agincourt in express & here by coach. At night attended a meeting in Library. Convened by W. Raisher to form a horticultural & Industrial association. Paid 2/6 a members subscription. A Committⁿ formed.

FR 14 M Greevy brought the remainder of his sheep, over 900 dipped altogether. Paid £2. Nicholasson sent 118 by Swain Andersen & Benbow. Will pay 8/6. John rode to Makotuku & passed the Doctor Hall - Frances. Made up fire.

SAT 15 John went to Papakura with Nellie. Made fires. All went to Wesley tea meeting.

Sun 16 Walked over to Neals, had dinner there. Top & Bell at Presbyterian church, school.

MARCH 1902



TU 18

Setting fire to rubbish heaps & logs on back mostly. Good burning weather. Burning off. Chessie would not be caught by Top this morning in the reserve. She, the mare, knocked her down & kicked at her & nearly kicked her on the face. John came home from Fourneau's. A sack of vegetables sent up from Fourneau's gone astray.

WED 19 All hands doing the washing. Top came. John playing cricket at Ormⁿ. Went with El to see a play in Top hall.

TH 20 Burning off. Draggd logs together with mare. Bell Sinclair got telegram to go home. J Thorstensen borrowed the filly yesterday to go to Burnside. I Lane came with clock. Paid him £2.2

FR 21 Put ewes off flat on to Ridges & Widdumps. Burning on flat, ridges & back. John let his two pigeons go free today. They fly about the place.

Made up fires on Ridges. Came on wet before dinner & rained all the afternoon. Got Factory cheque today £ 5-8-8

Letter from Miss Dora Webb re Testimonial
SUN 23 Drove up to P & G Grants & he walked down with me to O Eriekens & she latter had also had a Communication from Miss Webb & she is to send her a testimonial tomorrow. Miss Randerson for tea. She Toff & John gone to Lutheran Church.

MON 24 Made up some fires on ridges & back.
P R John drove El & babba up to P & G Grants they brought back trousers & Mackintosh. Heavy showers today. Cows going out of their milk. Cans not half full.

TU 25 Making up fires. Wrote Miss Webb. Wrote El received for mushrooms from Lang £ 2-0-9

WED 26 El & babba went in 9.30 train to Agincourt
L B I B John got shoe on jilly paid 1/6
Made up fires on back. Wet afternoon. Sent to Union Bank El's cheque for £ 2-0-9

Went with mare & dray to Blacksmith. Got boiler, chimney bar & paid £ 1-12- amount of Colling's bill. Paid £ amount of Road Rates. Got sack of Rye grass seed at Buckells 4/9 per bushel.

shook & raked in seed on burnt patches, made up fires on back &c. Mr Hulena called & paid £ 1-4-0 for dipping their sheep & she left us 2 stogor bag-fuls of potatoes. Fine day.

FR 28 GOOD Put logs together in Friday Gully & put fire with them. Skinned 4 eggs for dogs. John playing cricket on hill

Toff & I drove up after dinner. Warm

SAT 29 Made up fires. Put 3 posts in Engelbrechts fence. John saw rabbit in Montensens. Attended Com. Meeting Farmers. Paid 4/6 for "Dairyman" Toff got letter from Mama. She & babba all right.

SUN 30 Flossie Ran^d & Miss Bartlett for tea. Fine.

MON 31 A good month. Dragged logs on ridges with mare. Burning well. John went to see cricket match.


TU 1


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Made up fires on back, after dinner got in sheep off back, run off lambs & put others back. Kept lambs & some others in yards tonight. Killed long tail lamb. Many rabbits scratches in top garden, old & young ones. Paid Jens Larsen yesterday for cow with bells.

WED 2 Rain last night & nearly all this day. Put lambs on flat. Salted half of the lambs.

TH 3 Fine day. Got a bag sugar from Beckett.  Cleared burnt ground for seed on Ridges & some on back. Made some fire

FR 4 Saggied the lambs in old yards. Kept  55 of the weakest & most doggy to be dosed with gum in the morning. They are in the shed tonight. Only made up 2 or 3 fires on back. They are mostly burnt-out, & put out after the rain. Letter from Mother. Top at Library, meeting of Mutual Improvement society or something of the kind. Started tonight. Calm fine day.

SAT 5


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shook & raked some grassed on flat. Went in coach to Om" & on to Agincourt. Met Mr. Francis at Victoria. Rained all the afternoon.

SUN 6 Dull day & calm. All at home at Agincourt. Returned home by 10 AM train. Rain. ^{MON 7} Drove up to Beckett. Brought home box of Apples, flowers etc. Rain tonight.

TU 8 Rain all day long. Put lambs off lawn into Widenups. John bought Waterproof oil coat, 14/6 at P.G. Grants. Letter from Cecil Wallace. Continuous rain at present.

WED 9 This day turned out to be fine. Cuck  down. Touched up crosscut saw. Dr. Hall-Frances called, pronounced El all right. John borrowed 2 rabbit traps at H. Mortensens. He saw 4 hares in paddocks. Eve dead up gully, her leg went through little bridge and was broken, her body in gully, the weight of her body pulling on broken leg.

TH 10

APRIL 1902



John went to see J Thorestenen but he had just gone to Takapau. W. Beckell got buggy to go to Danerick + John got his cart to go to Mears for 2 little pigs. paid £1.4.0 got things at Robinsons + ordered greasing. Put in big boiler in bank. Boiled sheep in it + garden stuff. Cleaned out pig sty + put in one pig to fatten. Day fine one shower.

FR 11



Shook + raked manger grassed on part of flat + bought rye grassed on other parts. Shook some on back. Came on heavy rain. W. Beckell called to say good bye before going back to Canterbury. Canon Webb called.

John at a meeting of the Band tonight.

SAT 12



Shaking + raking grassed. Cold day.

Went at night to Rev Tostons Social.

SUN 13

All at home. Very cold day. John Practicing big Cornet. Got 3 members of the "Dairymen" last night, first Number, Jan 20th 2nd Feb. 3rd March.

MON 14

APRIL 1902



Finished shaking + raking grassed dry day. Dragged some logs with mare. One of Johns pigeons missing this morning. Think a cat killed it.

TUE 15

Drove with Ed to Nouwood. Paid £8.0.0 to W. Beckell, his bill was £6.12.4. up to W. Grant + got some things.



John washed buggy + raked in some grassed. A traveller from Christ Church called with a spraying pump ordered one the price is £1.12.6. John gone to Pana Practicin tonight. He calls at W. Christophersens with 3 jugs to be left as a wedding present. Squally.

WED 16



Went to Lutheran church (all hands).

to see the marriage of Miss Christopherson + W. Williams + to breakfast in the Village Hall. At night Top + John went. W. + W. Fournan came by coach to stay a few days. A Very fine day. Fred Nelson gathering money for Packer to buy ^{leg} corks gaul him 3/6

TH 17 APRIL 1902

Knocked about the place. Drove Mr. & Mrs. Fourman & El up to near all Desca's mill home Petterans road. Very fine day.

FR 18 Drove visitors & El to Butler Factory home by German Line. They went home by last train. Wet Afternoon. John gone tonight to Band Practice. Light rain.

SAT 19 John rode fully to Agincourt this morning. I went with buggy to Makotuku saw Milaw. Got spouting 2 by flour 1 by sugar at Robinsons Paid him cheque £3.2.6 Got sack chaff at A Morteneus. Went at night to Farmers meeting. Paid 2/6 annual subscription. very cold night the grass was white this ^{Sunday} morning. frost

SUN 20 All at home. Top & Babba at church in school. Miss Hogg & Bonnie tea. El, Top & Lohua

MON 21 Poor Babba went to school this morning also Mid Beckett & vic Colinga went to old mill for some timber for back verandah. Some rain fell



MON 21 APRIL 1902

☐ Sent this mornings milk in one can did not milk the cows last night. Will only milk them in the mornings for the future. Sent to Mutual & Asst £1" 17" 10

TU 22 Shifted ewes off flat on to Widenups & got the weak lambs into yards off ridges & Widenups. They look much better after the big dose of gum tea & change of paddock. Made up fires at garden corner. Set rabbit trap in garden. Amongst the ewes one blind one. Paid dog tax Collector 5/2 for dogs. Letter from Miss Webb, Wellington & John.

WED 23 Got factory cheque today £5.0.10 Rain commenced at 10.30 & heavy rain fell all day. Dosed the weakest of the lambs with worm specific & in shed & put on piages.


TH 24 D O'Hara came this morning & bought the 2 fat cows for £9.0.0 His 2 young men came for them & paid cheque. Skinned very poor 2 tooth. John came back from Agincourt. Very fine day.




FR 25


APRIL 1902




 Killed pig this afternoon. at night all hands went to Social club meeting. Home late, 12:30. John took Adela's horse, wagon & milk to factory.

SAT 26 Cut up & salted pig. Paid Adela 17/6 as payment up to 1st May. Mr & Mrs Will called

SUN 27 No milk taken to factory today. Flossie  here this evening, also Mr & Mrs Rauscher and Mr & Mrs Wood from Okaiawa in Taranaki, the latter looking out for a place to buy or lease. asked about this place. Mr & Mrs Beckett & Bonnie & Flossie for tea. John & Jop gone to church

MON 28  J Thorestensen & Mildon Bricklayer came this morning & started work. At night went to school com. election. After election stayed with other guests at Fryer-Rauscher's

TU 29 Mildon working at Chimney, Thorestensen at windows. Mildon's man came with material


WED 30  Thorestensen finished windows. At other things. Mildon headed chimney before very heavy rain. Staying here tonight

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
TH Bricklayer Mildon finished midday set oven etc. Paid him £ 3.18.3

Thorestensen did not come today. Attended meeting of Farmers in Lutheran

Hall. Mr Glass spoke. 2 or 3 joined (Fresh ones) wet day & night & cold.

John found Lincoln ram in back see  got him in & side lang'd him.

FR 2 Thorestensen working mantelsh ^{el} for dining room. John got 2 shoes on mare. El varnished dining room ceiling

 drove mare & dray to McLeod's mill for back verandah timber.

Could not bring all, paid 18/3

SAT 3 John went to mill for the remainder of the timber & 2 1/2 work of tongued & grooved dug out the remainder of the potatoes.

dry by weather. El paper hanging.

SUN 4 All at home. John out with Bertie & Engelbretsen. Brought home pheasant

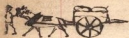
Mr 3 tuis. Alf - Veal for tea of 1.2.6 paid to Thorestensen

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
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
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


Got 15 sheets iron at Robinson
a sheet zinc 7/6. 2 Bush^s fowl wheat - 9/6
salt &c &c. Paid cash = £ 3 - 14 - 2
got 5 more sacks chaff at H Mortensen
El finished a papering dining room.

John splitting firewood in Reserve
TU 6 Took the rams away from the ewes.

 Thorstensen working at verandah
posts & beams. I put in blocks. Very fine day

WED 7 Thorstensen put up wood work of verandah
 Adela did not take milk to factory
this morning. Sledged in some firewood.

TH 8 A wet day. Thorstensen roofed verandah
 El paid Becketto bill £ 3 - 14 - 2
Thorstensen working in buggy shed.

FR 9 All hands at Village Hall in evening

SAT 10 Went with horse & dray to Ormond
& got 6 sacks of potatoes, good eating ones.
I Neal for dinner. Thorstensen finished the
meat safe. Advanced him £ 3 - 5 - 0

Top & John at Presbyterian church in the
school, brought back M^{rs} Cumming &
Grace, for dinner & tea. Drove them home.

MON 12 A wet forenoon. John drove Babba to
school. Chimney smoke, nailed up boards
under mantelshelf in dining room to get
smoke up chimney. John at Bona practice

TU 13 A rough wintry day. Thorstensen working
I put lock on door & top on table. Heavy showers


WED 14 Babba driven to school. High wind
& rain. Fine day. Cold Thorstensen did not
come. Flossie came with her fiddle.

TH 15 Another rough day. Thorstensen did not
come. Babba did not go to school. The first
day she missed. Heavy rain & wind. John
& I tightened clothes line. Spread potatoes
out of sacks in big shed. Tethered ram got
out of hill paddock. John practicing tonight

FR 16 Thorstensen working. John took rams
to home to H Mortensen (3) Spent the
evening with El at Becketto.

SAT 17 MAY 1902

TU 22 MAY 1902

 Killed ram that get through fence another rough day. Thorstensen did not

Thorstensen finished up today. Not much rain today. Thorsten worked 16 days 5 hours at 4/6 per day. Coming to him 17/6. Mr & Mrs Beckett & baby Mr & Mrs Hogg & Susy came stayed for the evening, broke up at 12 AM. Got Factory cheque today £ 3 " 11 " 11 Not much milk from 4 cows now.

SUN 18 All at home, windy At night Miss Hogg & her brother came & stayed until 10 Top went to Wes church with Jilly & Mary John & Bertie Engelbreten at Neale

FR 23 Thorstensen finished, paid him up - 17/6 Done to Own^r. was in library, no meeting of Farmers, only 2 New Ings & Bat Bremner Came back & up to library where Social Club members were. Seven papers on Stavel read. Very cold night, home at 12 AM.

MON 19 Pain in teeth last night & some pain today, like Neuralgia, used pain killer. Thorsten sold iron & put up bin spout at back verandah. Thoro El took Babba to school & bought Spouting at Ericksons for front. Also hung pictures in dining room

SAT 24 Commenced to Snow at 6 AM. Heavy fall. Sunshiny day. Top went to Dannerwik with Peter Olsen to see about taking music lessons for violin. Cold night

TU 20 Thorstensen put up spouting over front verandah. John sent parcel to G Frances

SUN 25 At Ann's church. Top at home. In the afternoon went to Mr Beckett's with El Ern & John & had tea & stayed until 8 o'clock Flossy & Top went to Wesleyan church.

WED 21 Nils Nicolaisen paid me 8/6 for dipping his sheep. Thorstensen nailed ends in verandah fixed back window, put weights in bedroom window. We shifted tank. Windy day.



MON 26 MAY 1902



Put Darkie, Maffin & Buttercup out on back. Went out on back with Shaggy & brought in 4 dead hoggets. John went over to Newlings to tell Honan I am to go to Danewick meeting on Friday next. Skinned the hogg^s & boiled them with Carrots. W. Hogg here & on back today.

TU 27 Rough day. I Neal here tonight staying. He is to bring Mr Gilbray over tomorrow to buy some fat sheep. Attended Farmers Union Meeting at Mr Beckett's

WED 28 Mustered sheep on back counted 3 weak hogg^s also left 2 good hoggets behind. Mr Gilbray & Sam Neal came at dinner time. Picked out 81 total, 26 wethers at 13/6 25 ewes at 10/6 Drove them to I Neal's & put them in his paddock with his fat sheep. He is to truck them tomorrow. Paid P. 9.9 & 5. At card Party at Beckett's until late a very fine dry day for handling these

TH 29 MAY 1902

FR 30 Got in 83 sheep & 45 and crutched about 70 & put them on ridges. Put all breeding ewes on back. John pledged in load of firewood. Went at night with El to Public meeting in Library to arrange about Coronation celebration. Got in more sheep & have the shed nearly full tonight Drove to Oron. & helped to form a branch of Farmers Union. El at Coronation meeting


SAT 31 Crutched sheep in shed 236 total. Pledged in load of firewood from back. Top gone in Peter Olesens express to Danewick for her music lesson. Attended Shareholders (Factory) meeting in Village Hall. Voting in favour of Creamery on Senaens Sec

SUN 1 JUNE 1902 Heavy frost this morning. Grass white. I called to see Mr Martin. A little better. The others a school church
All Neal came 2 huggons
2 kaka's





Peace Proclaimed at 10.30 AM.
 Got in some firwood. Went with
 W. Beckett to Dannerwick to attend
 Farmers Union Meeting, which was
 held at Andrews Railway Hotel.
 Came home next day by 4 o'clock train.
 Poppie & Willie Fournear came by express.
 Miss Hogg staying also. On Monday
 night procession in Dannerwick and
 Social in Norsewood. Fine Weather.


TU 3 Home today by express from Dunder
 3 o'clock train. Saw Mary Tom at Arm.

WED 4 John & Willie got in remaining sheep
 off flat 128 crutched about half.
 remainder in shed & battens. Put 4 or 5
 weak ones in plantation. John & Willie
 got in firwood & put filly & foal out
 on back. Cheque from W. Gellivray 30.0.6
 Letter from Agricultural Department
 Re Designs for Stockyard Silo &c. &c.




Finished crutching dry sheep.
 Total number crutched 365.
 Went to the Christening of Guy
 Beckett. Afternoon tea at Parsonage
 with W. & M. Beckett. Top. Pop & Miss
 Hogg in the Church but did not come
 in to Canon Webb's. Curtis's baby buried
 today in Grm. Cemetery. Sent £ 30.0.6
 Cheque to Union Bank. Boys crutched 3.
 Coronation Committee forming in Silbury

FR 6 Miss Hogg Poppie Willie & John drove
 up to the Ranges. Top rode the filly
 They got home about 3 o'clock. All hands
 went to Social in Village Hall at night.
 Home very late. White frost every night.

SAT 7 Made a sledge yesterday which
 was too heavy for mare. Made a lighter
 one today, worked about the place. At
 home tonight with babba, she has a cold
 the others just gone to Beckett's.
 A weak hogg dead in plantation.

SUNDAY
MON 8TH JUNE 1902

WED 11 JUNE 1902

At home. John Top & visitors at Pres Church. Members of Chess Club (except Ranshaws)
In the afternoon Miss Tucker came here tonight. Left for home about 12.
Stayed for tea. A good singer. All gone to Wesleyan church except babba & me.
Cows give very little milk. Sent non yesterday or today, only three times a week now.
MON 9 Sent cheque to Poljohns £1.0.0 for Case of Stout. also a case of empty tins.
Poppie & Willie Fournier went home by express. Gave them cheque £2 for the half ton of potatoes which they sent up.
TU 10 Found dead hogg on back. Sledged him in. Attended meeting in Libse Coronation. Called to see F Martin.
 Feed mare on carrots & chaff.
WED 11 Sledged in carrots from far garden. Planted wattle tree on face beyond dip yesterday & fenced it. Today sent or 5 gallons of milk to Factory. Fed pigs on scalded pollard & 10m milk carrots & Miss Paisley for dinner.
Members of Chess Club (except Ranshaws)
TH 12 Put crutchings in lower box
Rain 2 or 3 times today. Tried to saw a Maive log on flat. Saw not in good order. Put Silly & foal out on back.
FR 13 Constant heavy rain last night and today. Creek high, over old bridge. A sheepskin buyer from Ekatahuna called. Gave the 4 cows hay in stalls tonight.
SAT 14 Rain Rain Rain all day and all night. Creek very high, slips on Makotuku road & Newlings.
Miss Hogg gone this evening to Beckett. Coach very late, no paper today. Something wrong with the line. When in bed at about 11 o'clock heard the bark of a dog on flat, got up and went out with Spot. He tackled a dog which had rounded up a mob of sheep in the corner behind the plantation. Too dark to see the dog or dogs.

SUN 15

JUNE 1902

TH 19

JUNE 1902

Only a very little fine rain today. All at home

MON 16

Sawed a little firewood. Telegram from Insoil Dannvirik to get Education Board meeting. Afterwards he sent a telegram to say meeting was postponed. Did not get 2nd telegram. Went in express to Napier. Stayed at Terminus Hotel

TU 17

Sent letter to Insoil & Telegram home to say I was coming at 2.15 from Napier. Bought a butterdick & fruit for Babba. She was 5 years of age yesterday. Bought 4 gilt framed pictures for £1.12.0 Got home at Seven or half past. El met me with buggy & we drove to Library where there was a coronation meeting

WED 18

Sawed a few matai logs with John Hogg & W^o Beckett on flat for firewood. El, Top & W^o Beckett drove to W^o Grant's Ormondville & Alice came back with them. All gone tonight to Library Social. Babba & I at home. Hara frost

We give the mare 2 feeds a day, of carrots & chaff. The fowl wheat is done.

Dosed 10 scoured lambs which were in the shed last night. Gave them Koromiko tea & put them in the Reserve with the 2 rams

Split & sledged in firewood. Alice went home by the last train. W^o Topholin Sew came enquiring for a missing calf. W^o E Harrison called representing W^o Dougall Bros. Son, Man, Syd. Agued with him to use this Dip next time.

Sawed & split some matai on flat.

Yarded dry sheep & picked out some weak hogg^s & black lambs for Coronation. Put dry sheep on back 329 and all Ewes on front paddocks. 34 will be in Reserve tomorrow. A fine mila day.

All except Top & boba at Discussion in Village Hall re Women in Parliament. Home too late. Fine moon light night

SAT 21 JUNE 1902
Got Factory cheque, worth 2 = 5-8

Washed some pelts & sheepskins for Coronation
John & his mother went to Hollans for flax
+ Cabbage tree to decorate express for
Zealandia. Poor Top has a stiff neck.

SUN 22 These are the shortest days. El went
to see Mr. Raisher this afternoon.

John gone tonight to Dun to post letter to G. Frank
Only milked two cows this morning

MON 23 Drove up to A. Mortensens & got a
sack of oats. Got flat some Turkey red

at Beckells. Went with John
man & Gray to A. Engelbrechts dam
got some fencing pieces & a Flag Pole.
Mr. M. Tansy called in my absence
left a note. Top bathes her stiff neck
& tonight fumigates in gum leaf tea.

TU 24 Up to Norswood. Put in pegs with O
Erickson where trees are to be planted

at monument. Sent Telegram to
of Education. Sledged in Greenery.

WED 25 JUNE 1902

Got in some green stuff
from scrub. Went with El John mare and
Thodens bush wagonful of greenery and
borts cakes &c up on hill. Carted some
boughs out of Mr. Watsons yard for Confire.

Shrubs beautifully decorated with evergreen
arches & flags &c every one busy. Every place
decorated. A wire to say coronation postponed

TH 26 Went with Tableau to Norswood
with a white black & 1/2 Cast

Lamb. Pieces of wool & sheepskins, ferns &c.
A very good procession. Top went with
Miss Larsen as Zealandia in his express
got my Tableau Photographed by Maribow
Home at 12.30 a fine calm day.

FR 27 Sent Larsens ^{trunks} baggage home, also
Thodens bush wagon. A dead hog g.

SAT 28 Gathered up greenery & rubbish
& put it away & cleaned up
shed. John gave a goose to C. Schmidt


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
a letter from Secretary of Education Board to say my telegram was read before the Board. Top went to Dannevirke with Peter Olson, & got her music lesson. Sent Cheque of £5 to Beckell & got £2 back. A dull day & a very wet night & dark.

SUN 29 All at home. Drove round to Cecil Smith

MON 30 Sledged in firwood. Mended Magnusen's fence. Attended meeting in Library. Found dead hogg on flat.

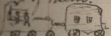
TUE 1ST JULY 1902

 Sledged in wood & hogg's bushes. Carrots & 2 hogg^t for pigs. El & Babba meant to go to Frances but missed train. Sent my rabbit rates to Gilbertson. Got in all Ewes off flat & crutched 14 and nearly filled shed making total

 WED 2 Snow fell in the morning.

Crutched sheep in shed. With 12 at card party Arthur Collins. Broke up 20 or nearly so. Anniversary of our Marriage

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
 Got in 57 off Wiaerups & crutched most of them. El & Babba gone to Frances in midday train. Paid 6/9 to J Thorstensen. A very fine day.


FR 4 Got in 56 & crutched nearly all along with those in shed last night. Put them on flat. Got in remainder and put 63 in shed & left 31 in shed paddock. John's throat sore, stays at home tonight. I go with Top to Hall Library. Impromptu speaking co.

SAT 5 Another white hard frost this morn. Top gone to Dannevirke for Music lesson. She took £12-12 to pay in advance for quarter. Crutched all Ewes except 9 or 10 now in Reserve with lambs & 2 Rams. Invitation from Pecks to the Wedding of their daughter Martha on July 16th Fine Weather.


SUN 6 All at home. Skinned hogget. Top went to Lutheran Church with Top

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
 Yarded all ewes & pulled out pigs & made the number 256. Put on back 23 and 329 previously = 352. Weak lambs on hill 20. rams 2. Total 630, not enough.


 Pigs got out on road. Got them in and put ring in big pig's nose. Letter & 2 photographs from Alia. A Church & Te Aute College. Top got tin of Kerosene & bread & butter at Becketts. Sent $\frac{1}{2}$ can of milk to factory this morning. Got only about 2 gal. back. Gave hay to Lilly Lively & Thorsens his for. Not much grass in front paddocks now. Attended wind up meeting of "Peace Demonstration Committee". Beck Monument to be repaired.

TU 8 Sawn & split some hena posts on flat.

 John sledged them home. Miss Wood called. Sent Johns insurance money yesterday to Mutual Life Ass. £1.17.10. Some rain in the morning, went to P.O. Grants, gave him Torstensens receipt for 12/9. Signed petition to Council to alter grade of Hill road.

WED 9 JULY 1902

 Made new pig yard to keep big pig separate for fattening. Let the 3 cows into stockyard plantation for a while. Christian Friis with his horses wagon & load of firewood fell into creek below road bridge helped him to extricate his two horses a miraculous escape, no damage done. With Top at C & E Pettersens party 1.30 AM. Every night a hard frost & a fine day.

TH 10 Levelled bank near pig yard and  filled up some in sheep yards. Removed the galvanised iron projecting over buggy shed over far door and sawed the two big tiki uprights. John oiled harness & washed the baggy. M^{rs} Oliver and M^{rs} Collins came begging on behalf of Wesleyan Church, gave them 5/2. M^{rs} Morgan for English Church £1. Letter from Babba last night. Coming home on Saturday. Helped C A Friis get his waggon out of the creek.

FR 11 JULY 1902



Manured round young fruit trees. Finished cleaning out drain on lawn. Carted out on lawn, three loads (small) of stockyard manure for top-dressing. John at Gymnasium

SAT 12 This is the Orangemans Day. A wet day



Top went to Dannevirke. Nils Olsen came with Telegram to say El & Eva missed the morning train at Victoria.

They came home by last train, 5.20 at 8th. The luggage was left behind at Victoria.

SUN 13 Hogg, did on hill. Went over paddocks



Strawberry springing heavy. Fine

MON 14 John & Babba drove to Orm. & got



the luggage left at Victoria on Saturday. Got in Buttercup & she had a bull calf just inside Reserve hurdle an hour or so after putting her in there. Spread the heaps on lawn for top-dressing. John gone to Beck's tonight with teapot & 2 small vases as present (marriage) Rain today.

TU 15 JULY 1902

Some crisp snow on the ground this morning. Sledged in load of feruwood. Set two rabbit traps in jar garden. I Neal for tea cards &c. Dug round fruit trees at Stockyard.

WED 16 Repairing old bridge. A brown



dog of Canon Webb's killed hogg in Reserve. At the wedding of Martha Beck & Christiansen in Village Hall with El. Top went at night. Fine day.

TH 17 Repaired old bridge, carted manure



from stockyard on to lawn. More in stockyard & oak plantation tonight. Canon Webb when driving past today told us that his dog which killed the hogg yesterday is shot. A very fine day. El cut down laurel hedge & arch today.

FRI 18 Finished carting stockyard manure



on to lawn. Boiled hogglet killed by Webb's dog & also carrots for pigs. Sent a can of milk 3 parts full to Factory. Got very little back. John & Top at Social.

SAT 19

JULY 1902

Dug out carrots & jitted them. Sledged in a stringer for bridge & firewood. A hog¹⁰ dead & half eaten by Randersons dog in Reserve. Top went to sanvink for music lesson, and with John to Westcyan tea meeting paid H Mortensen 14/2 for oats & gave Wesleyans donation 5/2

SUN 20 El in bed not well. All at home.

MON 21 Mustered the back & picked out 10 fat sheep for killing for home use.


attended Coronation meeting in Library. Sent interest & insurance 15/7 Cheque to Julius Sandatmann. (Crossed)

TU 22 Found one of the breeding ewes dead on flat yesterday. Buried it. Made a fire under boiler before breakfast and killed the pig & scraped it by 10 AM.


D O'Hara called for woolbale. He paid 2/ & showed us how to kill, scald & scrape a pig etc. Went with El & babba to W^{rs} Hut chunson's funeral. Fine weather.

WED 23

JULY 1902

 Pressed the crutchings and sheepskins on top to make a heavy bale. John took the bale to Orm^l. with mare and dray. Sledged in one load firewood. W^{rs} & Miss Gollan & W^{rs} Nickolls came in the afternoon & W^{rs} Thodsen & children. Went at night with W^{rs} Beckett to Orm^l to annual parishioners meeting. only a dozen or so attended. Home early.

TH 24 Cut up & salted pig. Spread manure heaps on lawn for top-dressing.


 El & Top at W^{rs} Nickolls. The mare fell down in the buggy nearly opposite O Ericksons, one of her knees is swollen & the other marked. Piara tuner came (Dobbs) instead of W^{rs} Herd. Fine day.

FR 25 Carted away the stuff dug out of drain in front. Put some ground in sheep yard alley. Sledged in a load of maire from back. Cut the wings of turkeys & some hens in buggy shed



SAT 26

JULY 1902


 Dug round plum trees near back door. John rode to Robinsons for sugar 7/6. Top to Danerick for music lesson. Put bucket top + bricks + mortar on kitchen chimney. -ney. Some showers, front paddocks bare.

SUN 27 El + Top to school church. Others at home. Some feed still on back, not much by




MON 28 Killed a long-tail lamb. Do not know the earmark. Cannot find the owner. All at Montgomeries show.

TU 29 Dug out old peach tree which was for years in garden. planted an apple tree near the same place. At night went with El to Coronation meeting in library.


WED 30 Another very fine day. Some rain last night. Put the 2 rams on hill. John went to drill at school. Planted 2 poplars up gully above stockyard. A. Sugden's Sale


TH 31 Stuck in some poplars up gully. Gave an order to a traveller for 3 oil paintings.  Drove to Hollans. A good dry frosty month.

FR 1st AUGUST 1902


 Sledged in a ewe that John found  I cast on Widedups yesterday. She cannot stand, is weak in hind quarters. She is sling in shed tonight on a sack. Planted poplars up gully. John found  Hagg^t dead in a lawyer bush on Reserve. Sledged it in. Put boarded border at back verandah under laurels. El put in flowers there. Sent £ 2.5.6 as 1/2 years rent for reserve to Lands office.


John took milk to Factory in buggy today 60 lbs. Three or four days milk. Rain commenced this evening and is raining now after a long spell of dry.

SAT 2 Top went to Danerick. A fine day.  Put in a row of poplars along fence in oak plantation. Trimmed oaks + cut down the 3 big apple trees in garden.

Boiled carrots + hogget for pigs + fowls. One or two geese laying. El + Eva on coach when  pole broke near Carl Hanson's

SUN 3 AUGUST 1901

 Walked over back, found hogg^s caught in lawyers. Found a good big dry ewe dead on back, skinned it. There seems to be plenty of grass on back. Came on to Widerups & found a ewe with dead lamb and two with singles and one with twins. Drove to H. Mortensens to enquire about price of C. Fredericksen's 2 tooth wethers. Hear price is 10/- would only give 9/-.


MON 4 Went over Widerups with John & babba  the latter found 3 ewes with singles one pair of twins & one ewe with dead lamb. Got in the latter & put twin lamb on her. She has no milk. her udder is quite hard but no milk can be got out of it. Shook grassed over a few patches. Found hogg^s caught in a lawyer on back. Rain all day and tonight. Saw a ewe on ridges with twins & a fresh one on Widerups with a single. A lot of rain fell today.

TUE AUGUST 1902

(2) Rain all last night & nearly all day. The ewe in stud died last night. Would have 2 lambs. Painted some timber for a gate. No fresh lambs today.


WED 6 Only 2 or 3 fresh lambs this morning. ~~Sawed~~ Sawn & split some matai in reserve with John for Bond Social. Carl Hansen & John took it up to Hall. Chopped down some willows to plant on flat. Attended Banquet at Beckett.


7 Put in a good many willows on flat amongst rushes. Col baking today for Saturday night's Band Social.

FR 8 Showers today. John found a ewe on her back in Widerups. Painted some  battens for gate. John took our milk can to Factory this morning. Adela is in Napier Gaol awaiting her trial for infanticide or murder. Draggd some logs together at goram corner. Col baking for Band Social. Rain tonight.



AUGUST 1902


SAT 9

 Got in a two tooth ewe with dead lamb and put the skin of the dead lamb on a pet lamb & she took to it. Dragged some logs together in flat garden corner with mare found dead hogg' on back near Magnusen.



 All hands at Band Social, had to take the chair. John playing in Band.

SUN 10 Cold miserable day. Snow & sleet hard on stock 5 or 6 lambs last night. Front paddocks bare. Not much hay.

MON 11 Several fresh lambs. John found a ewe  Carl Olsen took milk to factory today. Cast on flat, a lamb with her. He sledged  in a dead hogg' & boiled it with garden stuff for pigs & hens. Fenced for a single tree on Slope. Took bucket off top of chimney and swept it. (Kitchen). A very fine day.



TUE 12 John took bundle of skins to Station for W & K  Sledged in ewe cast on flat & put her with her lamb in sheep yards, also a ewe which had a dead lamb. Planted a tree on slope. A very fine day for lambing

WED 13 AUGUST 1902

 Carl Olsen took the milk to Factory today and also on last Monday. Killed weak hogg'  in Reserve. Miss Hansen & Coonie Fryer Raisha came for flowers for Coronation Ball in Village Hall. Cornelius from Mr. Frances by post for El John & Top who go to the ball tonight. I stay at home with Babba, letter from Nellie Tourneau. John drilling at school and decorating Hall for Cor. Ball. El Top & John at the Ball in Village Hall.

I wrote letter to Thomas Perry Clarax Belmont

TH 14 Through ewes, lambs coming freely. one ewe cast, had to take big dead lamb away, another had a dead lamb also. Jim Neal for dinner. He got young wattle in garden to plant at his place. Fine day.

FR 15 A great many lambs came last night,  John got a ewe in which could not lamb  took it away alive. Another ewe had to put the bearing back. A dead hogg' on back

SAT 16

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WED 20

AUGUST 1902

~~and~~ A great deal of rain fell last night
~~and~~ and today, not good weather for lambing
 found hogg^s on back caught in lauzes, this
 is the 5 or 6th near the same place. but and
 brought home a piece of tētōki for malle.
 Ewe on flat with dead lamb & one also on
 Waderups. Planted pinus tree on side of hill
 between dip & creek, Top went to Danvink

SUN 17 Found a good two took Ewe dead near Bee
^{2⁵} fence. Could not lamb, the lamb would
 come the wrong way. Got in the ewe with
 the dead lamb on flat. Put twin on her &
 put the skin of her own lamb on her. A
 showery sort of day. Rain, Rain, too much

MON 18 Sawn some matai with John for
~~firewood~~ firewood. Another soft day with
 light rain now & then. Batta at a birth
 day party, that of Middleton Beckett

TU 19 Blastid & split some matai for firewood
~~got~~ Got in 2 ewes without lambs & put twin
 on them. W^o & two Miss Thodens ^{at night}

Not many lambs coming now, the rush
 over. Fine weather. a rabbit caught in trap in
 my garden, ear marked ⁸ & ⁸. Dug round
 some gooseberry bushes in garden & manured
 them. John boiled turnips & meat in boiler!
 after coming home from school drill. News
 came yesterday of the death of W^o Jones
 Head master in Waipawa school. Fine day.

TH 21 Dug round & manured a gooseberry bushes
~~El~~ El shifting her flowers yesterday & today
 da W^o Friis called. W^o Randerson in
 the evening. Only one or two lambs last
 night. Made a fire on totara track & saw
 cow Darkie, she wont calve until the end
 of the month or beginning of Sep. John
 at Band practice tonight. His mother got
 a suit of clothes for him today at P.G. Grants

FR 22 Worked in garden digging all day.
^{13/11} Got factory cheque & Bonus 1-11-11
¹³⁻¹¹ John commenced cutting lawezers
 & scrub at back. El & Top Cummings

SAT 23 AUGUST 1902

⌘ Dug & put in seeds in garden. Beans
peas carrots parsnips, shook some mixed
seeds along by gooseberry bushes. Put in
14 seed potatoes. Top had a nice day to go
to Danewirk. John falling scrub. El digging

⌘ At night went to Farmers Union meeting
All members present gave 1/- towards
a fund for the organising Sec. W. Glass
Got cheque from W^{ms} & Kille £5. 4. 9
nett proceeds for crutchings & 21 skins.

SUN 24 Fair day. Alf Neal for tea.

MON 25 John sledged in 2 loads of metal.

⌘ Walked over back, found a dead hoggot.

⌘ Skinned a dead ewe on Wianups, also

⌘ Lamb dead, buried both. Put in a row
of turnip seed in garden. Steady rain in
the afternoon. Steady & constant tonight

TUE 26 Ewe (small 2 tooth) cast on ridges.

⌘ Took away dead lamb. Sledged her in
took away another dead one. El Top John
at Social on hill - returned troopers.

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Found 2 dead lambs in holes in gully in
ridges, filled the place up with dead timber
& earth. Sledged tools to back to split rails.
Apples & Camellias from Agincourt. Showers
appearance of good spring. Grass on back Sec.

WED 27 Sledged log on back for rails, showers,
⌘ Got in Eve with a good single lamb
not able to stand. Killed lamb, knees swollen
joints fettered, put skin on pet. Eve took.
Miss Petersen Mr. Grant came & left Ella.
⌘ El paid Hansens bill £1. 17. 1. John drill

TH 28 Put cows on back, as there is more grass
there. Brought "Lilly" & "Butter cups"
home at night & left "Wildy" & "Lively" there.


Sledged & split some rails on back, cold weather
& showers. Caught a large hare in garden traps

FRI 29 John fell some scrub. Split rails. Ella
born tonight. Killed Sheep. J. T. & El at Ping Pong.

SAT 30 Working on back. The 2 cows & mare there to



SUN 31 W^{ms} & 2 Miss Cummings & W. Garry here
for the afternoon. W^{ms} of Grace for dinner. John
drove them home at 9. 30.

MON 1st SEPT 1902

 Split 17 totara posts, heavy, out of a knotty log at Clemetts crossing. Sledged in some rails. Sawn a log for rails. John did some scrubbing. El in bed with influenza. John got a bottle of Sherry in McLeods hotel, paid 5/6.



Little or no growth in this weather. Paddock in front pretty bare. Grass on back Sec. Very few lambs coming now, rush over

TU 2 Sawn & split some rails at Clemetts


 gully. Made some fires there too.  John raked up & burnt off some chips. When going for cows in the evening found a dead hoop on back. Hay all done now, must put cows on back sec, not much grass in Resom. No fresh lambs today. A very fine day.

A letter from George. He is in Shannon

WED 3 Castrated & ear marked calf. Made fire

 on back. John got 12 lbs pollard at Bee Ketts yesterday. El & C^o drove to Friberg. Very fine day.  Fenced pine tree near dip. (& planted it)

TH 4 SEPT 1901

 Sledged all boughs to wool-loading hole. John went to H. Mortensen's for the three rams. One of them was found east & dead. He brought the other 2 home. Dug oak tree out of slope plantation & put it in garden. Put some rape stalks in trench in garden. John got in the 2 cows from back Sec.

milked & put back before breakfast. No hay now. Very fine day. Salted fore quarter of mutton. Put bell on Lilly yesterday.

El & C^o drove to township with cheque 3.15. Sept 16/ for Dr Hall-Francis. Bought 8/2 worth of seed potatoes, 2/2 worth of each sort. "early rose", "Up to date", "Fluke Kidney" and another sort. The brought back Ella

185 Killed old ram & boiled same with mangels for pigs &c. Put in 2 rows of Fluke potatoes in garden, cut seed, the 2 top rows, some manure from under woolshed. El & C^o at Oldershaw's. Very fine day. No lambs coming now.

SAT 6

SEPT 1902



Sawed log & split some rails at back.
 John at Nicholaisons all day. Walked
 across back pie with the 2 dogs. Saw and

SUN 7



Chased a black & tan dog and found
 3 hoggets killed near the back dam.
 do not know the dog or where he went
 to. Walked to Hegh's Schmidts & Shub-
 holland's, not theirs. Messrs Hogg & Beck
 here for the evening and for tea. Cloudy.

MON 8



A rough day. Went to where the sheep
 were killed, with sledge. Another
 good sheep found with broken leg
 and badly bitten on both hind legs. Cut its
 throath & sledged the four home. The cow
 "Darkie" calved this afternoon in scrub. A
 big bull calf. Went to Horticultural meet-
 ing in library & was in Mr. Watson's house
 for a while. Rode Chessie. Home at 10 o'clock.

TU 9



Skinned the 4 sheep & boiled them.
 John sledged in firwood. We then
 went to back with sledge & tools for

TU 9

SEPT 1902



splitting posts. Sawed totara log for
 posts and made fires near where the
 sheep were worried, also the two
 dogs are tied up there tonight. Flossie
 for tea. El & John gone to entertainment
 in Village Hall. Calm moonlight night.

WED 10



White frost this morning. Got in
 ewes & lambs off. Widdows. found
 one young lamb dead. Docked
 43 ewe lambs & 40 w lambs. one
 ewe to lamb, we put in Reserve & one
 fat dry ewe with her. total 90 ewes
 Made fires on back & tied up Spot there.
 Members of Chess Club here tonight.

TH 11





Mustered Ridges & docked 30 wethers
 & 33 ewe lambs. besides 1 longtail.
 and 63 ewes. Came on very wet as
 we put them in the yards, so we put all
 of them in the wool-shed & docked on a
 box at the back door. Made fires and
 left spot tied up at "Slaughter Slip"


FR 12 SEPT 1902


SUN 14

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 Got in Reserve sheep & docked 3-3
 lambs & put them & their mothers &
 18 hoggets with ewes & lambs for
 the back. In Reserve now ewe & lamb
 a couple of ewes to lamb & some for
 killing. Found 2 dead hogg in reserve

 Total big sheep in Reserve 13.
 Number on back. Hoggets 18
 Number of ewes on back 229
 Total number of lambs 220.

 Found 3 dead hogg^s on back. One
 stuck in quicks and dead with
 dogs teeth marks on him. All
 except babba went to Village Hall
 to hear mock trial for breach of
 promise "Golightly v Gayboy". I took
 the part of Constable Murphy.

 SAT 13 Mustered back & put them on Flat.
 Put ewes & lambs on back.
 We put the 3 cows on back every day
 made up fires on back. Drizzly wet day


All at home. Fine evening. Mr. Garry for tea
 MON 15 John & Babba went on flat with mare
 & sledge for firewood & found 2
 dogs worrying the sheep. Two Sheep
 (Hoggets) badly bitten, cut their throats. One
 ewe with a lamb stuck in Reserve creek
 bitten, dragged her out. two others in
 Reserve lame. Three or four on flat lame.
 Followed the dogs home to Beck's & Oly
 Gundersens. took away the two dogs. &
 brought Gundersen to see the damage
 & in the evening took Beck to see
 the worried sheep. The latter gave me
 a written & stamped agreement
 to pay £2 damages & shoot the dog
 or else send him 75 miles away.
 "Brain" got off the chain & John rode to
 Mortensen's & Andersen's after him. He
 came home. Mrs. Kettle sent me 14/9
 proceeds of 11 skins. Found ewe dead on
 back near Gundersens, a lamb with
 her.

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
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TH 18


 Found 3 dead sheep in gully on flat. Sleaged them home, one a ewe with twins inside. Put 3 ewes with 3 lambs off ridges into stud paddock one of the ewes in front with her lamb she is bitten on hind leg. John took Bran to Becks. Showers and hail all day. Got registered letter £ 2.0.0 from M Beck. Flossie Eddie & Miss Davis here for the evening. Rough day.

WED 17 Sent letters to O. Gunderson & Beck to come & see the amount of damage done by dogs & also to appoint a valuer with one from me to value sheep. Beck & Gunderson came across & we arranged matters. Both dogs killed & they pay damages £ 2 each man.

 Killed a fat ewe yesterday & I took a quarter 12 lb to Mr. Cumming it was 16 lb but 4 lb deducted for fat. El John & John at Band Social. Sleaged in 4 more woolly sheep, one a four tooth wether.

 Filled boiler with sheep to feed hens, pigs & Carl Olsen took home a sack full of meat for his pigs. Burried the remainder & also Gunderson bitch. Made fires on back & found a hogget cast & one of the bought hogg: dead. At night went to Mr. Watsons house the "Breach of promise case". Fine night.

FR 19 Planted a pinus insignis tree on slope in stud paddock. Mustered the flat & daggged & put on Ridges 309.





 Two bitten sheep & 3 ewes in lamb & a few weak ones I put in front = 10 In Reserve 2 ewes with lambs & others. Sheep dotted with ticks, must dip next week. El sent 2 huns to Mr. Scott. John got tooth pulled by Dr. Gradman. Fine day.




SAT 20 A very rough day symptoms of snow. Made up fire on back. Got in ewe & big dead lamb. Put skin on motherless one. John took "Buttercup" to P. Olsens bull



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All at home. A very rough day.



MON 22  Alick Hegh got 4 mutton paid 3/6
 got dogs meat, fat &c. Took
 John away to cut chaff at Nordbyes shed
 Ole Gundersen came & paid £1-10-0
 for loss of sheep by dog worrying. is to pay
 remainder a month hence = 10/6. Skinned
 a hogget that died on lawn. A ewe
 in front had twins in plantation
 and a ewe yesterday had a single
 in the same place. A fearful rough
 day. High wind, hail & cold showers.
 no hay for the 3 cows. Mare in plantation



TU 23  Very rough weather. Snow today, enough
 to cover the ground. Inside at the fire
 all day. Snow disappeared in the
 evening. No growth. Very little grass in
 the front paddocks. Rough weather every day


WED 24  Went out on back to finish sawing totara
 log. John sawing too quick the saw
 snapped & broke off. Got in bit firewood





WED 24

SEPT 1902

 Yesterday got in filly & foal from back.
 Filly quiet. John caught & roared her in
 yard. Today he & Top went for a ride. Windy
 rough weather. Drove stakes round elm trees in
 pig paddock. Dews barked all round by pigs.




TH 25  Got in 2 sledges loads of firewood off
 flat. Went to Nordbyes Dale with
 filly. Very cold afternoon, hail & rain. Cows
 fetched a high price, from £6 up to £8 or more.
 The filly was knocked down for £8-5.
 It is snowing tonight. 3 inches on ground now.
 Went with El to Wesleyan social last night

FR 26  Three or 4 inches of snow on ground
 blue sky. Snow melted & gone by midday.



 Insurance canvasser for AMP came.
 I Keal came in evening. Paid him £1.
 Killed a good fat ewe. All except Batta
 in Hall to hear "Breach of Promise" case.
 A fine afternoon & night. I took the part
 of "Constable Murphy". Home after 11 PM
 Factory cheque £1-1-8 Recd 13/5

SAT 27

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



 John went to Becketts on milk cart & got
 a bag No 1 sugar &c. We went to back
 & shook & raked grassed on burnt patches.
 Found a ewe cast, alive, & found one dead
 on Gundersens end. Helped Finis boys
 get home young calf which was stuck in
 the mud in a gully. John took him to
 mutton to A. Heigh & got paid 3/6. El took
 another to M^{rs} Cumming & was paid 10/-
 the amount due to date. She bought fender
 at Ericksons for 23/6 & a tin dollus at Mr
 Becketts, a hearth rug at P. G. Grants.
 A showery & cold miserable day & night.
 John gone to top hall, to attend Band Social


SUN 28

Put more & coal on back section. Walked
 over to Mortensens sec. He, Pruddy &
 P. Magnusen trying to get a young
 rabbit from under a log, lost it. Dags
 chased another rabbit from beyond
 Mortensens clump of bush, lost it too.
 Got in ewe & crippled lamb. M^{rs} Garry &

MON 29


SEPT 1901

 Found the motherless lamb on back
 & put the skin of the crippled one
 on him, ewe took to it at once, both in front.
 This has been the 1st fine good growing day for
 weeks past. John split firwood on flat & I
 hedges it in. Shifted all dry sheep
 off Widerups & Ridges on to flat. Fairly
 good & clean feed on flat having 9 days spell.
 TU 30 Hedged tools out to "Pata Knob" & lit 3
 fires out that way. John ^{or less} 1/2 day with
 Alec Heigh planting potatoes, got paid 1/-
 Saved remainder of totara log. Skinned hogg-
 on flat. John sawed some henau for posts
 got a dozen boomers for O'Hara's fence.
 We knock off at half past four to come home
 and milk, get in firewood, feed calves & pigs
 &c. This has been another fine day. Today
 ends the month, which on the whole has
 been an exceedingly rough one. A late
 spring - the latest I have seen in N.Z.

 Split some totara posts on Rate Hill & made up fires. Found hogg's cast on heels track.


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
TH 2 A great deal of rain fell last night. letter from W Rose & Cheque for £ 7. 17. 0

 This has been a wet day. We picked Top went to Danwirik. Windy day, no rain. over some dead wool in shed & shook a

little rye grasses on back where fires have been. Grass only now giving symptoms of growth. Ridges & Wierups very bare. Flat not so bad. Fair picking on back section.


FR 3 Worked on back. John split henau posts near M^c Greeveys fence.

 Lively had heifer calf on back. Got them home. 29 years in N. 3 today. A different

 sort of spring in N. 3 29 years ago. The spring is a month late this year.

Grass only giving symptoms of growth near

All hands went to Gymnastic entertain^{ent} in Hall. A good exhibition.


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Top went to Danwirik. Windy day, no rain.

SUN 5 Eight sheep on road. John put them in

 Reserve. Earnmark like that of CC Smith. John walked across to let him know. We meant to go see M^c Cumming today, turned out too wet


MON 6 A very fine day. Put in some posts in


back fences. M^c Gollan came took his 8 hoggets away. Killed a fat sheep. El paid M^c Becketts bill £ 3. 17. 0.




Got 2 fore shoes on mare. Prints &c at P.G. Grants.

TU 7 Put in some posts in O'Hara - Back

fence. John dragget totara & henau posts to fence with mare. "Star" had heifer


 calf at midday. M^c F Redward for lunch. El Brought book from her

 for Eva for 5/6. El + Top took 1/4 mutton to Mrs Cumming. & washed buggy & harness of House &c. El + Top missed Peter Olsens express Put in a row of potatoes in garden. Fine day & came back from Beckett. El went to Ormth John took 1/2 mutton to A Hegg. Slow growth with B & H in their gig & Top in coach & took

   M^r. Billows & H Hall took Photographs


WED 8 Repairing fences, back-O'Hara. After the train to Sanvirk, Top too late for music dinner put in row of potatoes in garden. lesson, came back with Peter & El came back John at drill. Grace Cumming here tonight with M^r. Leonard Andersen, bought minnow El washed buggy & oiled harness. John oiled by for John to go fishing. Letters from M^r. M^r Nutt

TH 9 Repairing fences, back-O'Hara & Widenups & Kate Watkins. Attended Farmers. M. meeting



 Some rain today. Grace here tonight Put in a few posts in fence Ridges - 1 back.

SUN 12 Light rain most of the day. John found

FR 10 Working at fence at Slip Widenups - back. Put in 3 totara posts & leveled bank, finished there & shifted on to three gateways & put in a few posts. H Hall & M^r. Billows called with paintings Photographs &c El gave them an order for an oil painting of her mother. & photographs of John & Top. They stayed here for tea & accompanied us to Social meeting & stayed the night Fine day & fine night.

 dead ewe on back. & hogget cast. He went over to C.C. Smiths & borrowed his fishing tackle.

MON 13 Put in some posts in fence Ridge-Flat El & Co drove to M^r. Leon Andersen John got fishing licence 5/- at Ormth Went fishing near Gollans, got trout.

TU 14 Went over back & got in Strawberry & Wildy, both springing, a very fine day, Put in a row of potatoes in garden.   Did some to fence, back-Ridges



John took 2 bundles skins to Ormondville to be forwarded to Wm & K.

WED 15 John sawed totara log in ridges near pond, for posts, then went to drill.

Mr. Garry came back with him & stayed the evening. A very fine day, Aug a bit.

TH 16 Split some totara posts in ridges.

John took C C Smith's rod home to him & caught 3 trout. Got in sheep off Reserve & killed one. Came on heavy rain, thunder & lightning.

FR 17 Put in a few posts in fence Ridges - Back.

Strawberry calved this afternoon a big bull calf, Darkie round. John took her to P. Olsens bull.

SAT 18 A wet day. I drove to Mr. Cummings took with her four $\frac{1}{4}$ mutton. John took hind to A High 17 lbs. A wet miserable night.

SUN 19 A fall of snow this morning. John at C C Smith's. bought his fishing rod &c for 17/6. Snow disappeared at midday.

Walked up to Norsewood. Got a pair of mairings at J Collings. A dead ewe on back. John split firewood &

then went to Mr. Thompsons for Mr. Cross's letter & credentials for me to attend

Farmers Meeting in Hastings on the 22nd.

Got in dry sheep off flat & picked out 10 fat ewes for D O'Hara at 13/2 each.

Turned back on flat 289 91 at yds = 290. Sent milk to Factory in 2 cans today.

TU 21 Off in the morning train to Hastings.


Was met at railway station by Willie Fournneau & drove to Papakura. A fine day.


WED 22 Went with El, Mr & Mrs Fournneau to the 1st days show. Not much rain. Stayed at D O'Reilly's Hotel. some rain fell.

Went as Norsewood Delegate to Farmers ^{Union} Meeting held at the Carlton Hotel. Mr. Cross Chair


TH 23 All the Fournnaus & El at show met them in the forenoon. A good show & fine day.

OCT 1902



 Mr. Fournan ploughed some in the morning. I ploughed two rounds. We two Mr. & Mr. Fournan drove in to Napier. El bought hanging lamp at Williams ironmongers for £1. also a dutch hoe & home at 6 AM. All went at night to see the Sulford family. A very warm day.

SAT 25 Willie & Mr. Fournan drove us to Hastings railway station. We brought away tomato plants, Cabbage plants &c. A fine day when we started. Rain at Ormondville & much rain all evening & all night. Got sheep skin cheque £2-0-11 Factory cheque before deducting 1-5-6 Cream & butter 8p. Wildy has a bull calf.  to day in Reserve. Got them in & got heifer in bale with a rope. When in Napier went to Woolson Factory & was showed all over it. It was in full work & seemed to be turning out good material.

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 A very fine day. Walked over back. Spot chased a rabbit into a stump. CC Smith Ada & 2 children came in the evening, also Messrs J Colling, Beckett & Garvie.

MON 27 John cut down scrub up to dinner time & then went to practice Cricket. I put in a few posts & put poisoned pollard & toxa in stump where rabbit was run into yesterday. A Hege paid John 7/- for meat today. Heifer "Wildy" does not give much milk as yet. Fine day.

TU 28 Put wild heifer & her calf on back.  She is not easy to milk. Sledged a few posts with mare. Mr. Hall & Mr. Billows came with oil  painting of El's mother & Gertie's & John's Photos in frame. Photo of house &c. John went to Drill & got D'O'Hara's cheque for £6-10-0. Messrs Hall & Billows left after tea. Sent John's insurance money to Gibson.

WED 29

OCT 1902

Sent letter to W^{rs} & Kettle for 14 w bales dragged in from back with mare near stringer with mare for bridge, also some slabs from back. John cut down some

scrub, & after dinner went cricketing

We docked 8 lambs off reserve and killed a fat ewe. Tailor

Engelbreton delivered suit. Paid 1¹³/₄ Ole Gunderson paid for damage (10/2) done to sheep by dogs. Very fine day.

John has a pain in his side today and cannot work. I dug some in garden & put in some potatoes. Messrs Billows & Hall here today & tonight & Flossie

El took 2¹/₂ smutton to W^{rs} Cumming & John took four to A Heigh 1¹⁰/₁₀

Dug a bit in garden & pulled wool off a dead sheep. Artists in Danvirik had joined in with members of tonight. Rec^d the woolpacks. Fine day. Plenty of grass everywhere. Sheep taken. W^{rs} Billows came with the look daggy. The 3 rams in shed tonight

SAT 1st NOV 1902

Finished digging in garden. Put in some peas & potatoes. Shove the

three rams. Burned off the branches &c in the wool-loading hole. Top went to Danvirik. Letters from

W^{rs} & Kettle. W^{rs} M^c Nutt. Kate Watkins Paid J Collings bill 18/9. W^{rs} Beckelt £5-


Sent note to W Prieu Orm^l to know if one of his boys would go to F M Nutt Le Aute. Babba went to Thodsen's & the rest of us went to W^{rs} Cummings & had dinner & tea there. Messrs Garrie & Alf Neal for tea. A very fine day.

Put in a few posts in fence, back - Ridges. Got in 70 sheep off



Ridges & dagged them. John went with Messrs Billows & Hall to township and had joined in with members of tonight. Rec^d the woolpacks. Fine day. Plenty of grass everywhere. Sheep taken. W^{rs} Billows came with the look daggy. The 3 rams in shed tonight

TU 4 NOV 1902


Four tooth wethers Continued NOV 1902

 Shore & put on flat 50 sheep. (5)
 El Top & John milked & fed the
 Calves & pigs. El paid O. Ericksens bill =
 Sent Cheque to H Collin & Co £ 2-5-11 =
 Wanganui, Piana timer £ 1-15-6


WED 5 Shore 40. Dagged 54 for tomorrow.


 John killed rabbit on back (16)
 He went to drill, but there was
 none today. Cricket match
 Norsewood v Makotukew. A horse
 bolted past here with trap.

TH 6 Shore the 54 in shed. 4 tooth = (21)

 John took cow lively to P. Olaus
 In shed tonight 46. Some very
 heavy fleeces today. Twelve pounds
 off a 4 tooth wether. Mr. H Hall came today


FR 7 Shore the 46 in shed. 4 tooth = 13

 John dagged some & shore one.
 Got in Reserve sheep, killed one.

 Mr. O Ericksen came. Re C. election
 Sent County rates today


Poor babba sick today. Her mother went
 to Norsewood for fruit &c. for her, as
 she will not eat. This afternoon she
 has eaten a banana and some other
 trifles. She is better. Mr. H Hall nurses her.


SAT 8 Shore 124 reserve sheep, 3 of them fat
 the others with lambs, 1 hogget.

 John went with Mr. Hall's mare and
 gig to Orm. to meet Kate Watkins &
 boy Bennie. Blowing very hard.

Eva better today. Can eat & exercise.

SUN 9 At home. Mr. & Mrs. Beckett came.

MON 10 Blowing very hard. A  Wattle tree

 blown into garden over fence.
 All hands went to see Cricket match in
 Norsewood. Onga. Onga defeated. All
 went to Concert at night. Nigger Minstrels
 Mr. Harry Hall gave several comic songs.
 Gave the Club a donation of 10/- very
 high wind all night. Came home at
 10 o'clock. Kate Bennie & John. Top & El

Stapled wire netting at plantation.
Two Miss Branderson's called. Shorn 4 sheep
two ewes. Put 2 hoggets on flat = 193

WED 12 Went to Norsewood. C C election
O Ericksen. D H Grant. Heavy showers
at night took the chair at the meet-
ing of Mr Taylor Candidate for Parliam-
ent. A good many in Hall, Windy. got her home, but she died. Good rain.

TH 13 Eva went to school this morning.
her mother walked up with her.
J Jessop buried today in Ormond.
went & met funeral at Can. Webb's
John gone to Palmerston Show.
went as far as Agincourt today.
Fixed up small gate, second small
gate. This has been a fine day.
O. Ericksen 116 D H Grant 21 informal 2

FR 14 Top did not go to Palmerston Show.
Harry Hall drove to Waikopiro this evening.
5 little goslings, 2 before. Got in 53
sheep & bagged & put in shed tonight



Shore 53 & put with 193 on flat 246
besides Reserve shap = 17 about.
Kate & Bennie went to Napier today.
Gerty went to Danerick. Some rain.

A surprise party came here last night.
SUN 16 All at home. Walked over back
found 'Daisy' cast. Shorn her and
amongst those shorn yesterday 7 4 tooth

MON 17 A wet day. Pressed 2 bales. (62)

In No 1 bale put in fleeces = 66
In No 2 bale, fleeces - 72
John fishing in the afternoon, none.
Claude came with bag flour, sugar
& Flossie. Found remains of hogget
in a lawyer bush in Reserve.

TU 18 John borrowed Mr Beckett's Suggie mare
& drove Eva & her mother to
railway station, then went thro Ewes & Lambs
Got in & bagged remainder dry shap 47
Put in some carrot seed in Year garden



WED 19

NOV 1902

19 Put in the cabbage plants which we got by post yesterday, from Alice we suppose. Put in carrot seed at yew tree. John puts Bee ointment on Buttercups teats, as they are sore. He caught one fish this afternoon in Manawatu river.

TH 20 A fine day. Put in carrots & beet in yew garden. Got in the sheep off

20 Ridges at 3 o'clock & left them in yards, in shed tonight. John did a little scrub cutting & went thro

Ewes & Lambs Messrs Willows & Hall, tea

Put ring in one of the pigs nose's. Castrated 2 Calves. 3 on hill now

& two in gully plantation. Hoed up row of potatoes in garden

John took down wire netting in front of house. We put it up from

road gate to middle gate to keep hens from going in front of house

FR 21 NOV 1902

21 Shorn 47 today. Four tooth w. 62
2

The last of the dry sheep. Put them on ridges John helped to shear today, went fishing in the evening. Messrs Hall & Willows for tea.

Tea Thorstensen called about getting firewood out of Reserve, can take as much as he wants.

A frost last night. Potatoes in garden blackened

John hung small gate going into yew garden

Shorn dry sheep on Ridges tonight = 293

SAT 22 Light rain nearly all day. Received Factory Cheque today £ 2.9.1

after deducting shares 4/6 & butter 9/6 Top went to Danewirk. Mustered back

& put them (Ewes & lambs) on flat & put the shorn sheep, 293 on back.

John got home this morning at 5 AM. Stayed at Neals last night after fishing


Caught none. Walked up to W. Becketts

SUN 23 A very fine day. Gerty went church (School) Rev Grant. John & I at home

no visitors today.


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MON 24

 Got in a cut of ewes & lambs & dogged 25 when it came on to rain. Put them back on flat except 22 ewes and 3 hoggets which we shored. Heavy rain all the evening. El came home by last coach. A bad night for shorn ewes.


TU 25 Put in some cabbage plants got from Agincourt. General Election today. Went up to school house & voted for Taylor. He was defeated by Hall by 1500 votes. All hands at Wesleyan social in Hall. Left for home at 11 o'clock. Fine night.


WED 26 Top went by 12 o'clock train for


 Agincourt. John borrowed Mr. Beckett's man & El drove her to station. Got in some ewes & lambs & dogged & put on Ridges. 120 ewes & 3 hoggets shorn ewes done on Monday 25. Lambs turned out with them 137.


A very windy afternoon. An insurance agent, Mr. Manly called today.


TH 27 NOV 1902

 Got in ewes & lambs off Flat & started to dag. Came on wet & rough rushed in and shored ewes = 41 amongst them 3 or 4 hoggs. Messrs Billous & Hall came today & stayed the night.

FR 28 Pressed one bale No 3. Fleeces 70
 Pressed a bale No 4 = 64
 Ewes & hoggs fleeces mixed

 Got in ewes & lambs, dogged 32 & put them in shed tonight. Put 41 woolly ones back on flat not dogged as rain came on. Got in Maffie from back, with her calf 2 or 3 days old, milked her, easy to milk and quiet. John & I dragged her into the bale with a rope. A heifer calf.



SAT 29 Very rough morning. Shored ewes 32
 Mare very heavy. Keep her in shed paddock.


SUN 30 Paid Carl Olsen for milk carrying 14/2
 All at home. Maffie must be dragged onto bale. 32 ewes in shed tonight
 88 lambs on flat.



MON^Y DECEMBER 1902





TH 4 DEC 1902


 Shorn the 42 in shed last night.
 Got in & put in shed off ridges 24.
 Nils Larsen took the 2 cans to factory
 this morning. Messrs Hall & Willows - tea
 Chassy came in off flat with foal
 this morning, filly foal. No rain today.

TU 2 Shorn the 24 ewes in shed last night
 Pressed 2 bales today 1 + bred fine 60
 fleeces. 1 + Bred No 5 = 58 fleeces.
 A shower of hail + rain this evening.

WED 3 Rough showery day. The foal got
 into a hole in the bank of the
 creek in the Reserve, and was
 not able to stand for some time after
 we pulled him out. Off hind leg swollen
 put mare & foal in sheep yard for
 a few hours and drove mare in buggy
 to Orm. to meet Eva & Popi coming from
 Agincourt. John & Claude hooked
 good sized trout in far
 creek. & shot a hare in back Section

~~****~~  Hoed up potatoes & took weeds & c out
 of turnips. Got in sheep & took out 61
 woolly ones & shorn 21 of them. 20 of them
 in shed tonight. Mr. Skinner has raised
 the price of bread to 8^o per loaf. Fine today.

FR 5 Got in all ewes & lambs off ridges
 before breakfast as it looked like
 rain. Pulled out all the woolly ewes
 & crammed them into shed along
 with the 40 in shed last night. Did 64
 today & left 15 dry sheep in shed
 tonight. Put ewes & lambs on Winderups
 some light showers today. Dull day.

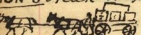
SAT 6 Shorn the fat sheep in shed = 15 the
 last of them. Pressed No 6 bale 60 fleeces
 also No 7 bale = 67 fleeces No 8 = 60 fine
 No 9 = 62 fleeces fine. Top went to Danvirke.
 Number shorn in ewe flock = 264
 Total ewe flock hog⁵ included 279
 many ewes died this season.

SUN 7 DEC

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All at home. No one came today.

MON 8 Alick Hegh took 10 bales of wool

 to Railway station.


two fours & two bales last trip.

Chessie in the lead. Pressed 1 bale of pieces bellies & dead on tops.

No 10. Shorn Reserve lambs = 13

Got in sheep off flat & picked 88 lambs out; one of them 2 or 3 weeks old. Docked it. Shorn about a dozen Messrs Billows & Hall lunch & tea. Sent letter to Williams & Kettle.


TU 9 Shearing lambs via the 88 in shed

 John helped. He got in & picked 94 lambs off Widarups. He & Top started for Omondville in buggy to see Canon Webb, but meeting the Canon on the road turned back. El gave Mr Skinner over half a sack of potatoes.

She got a pane of glass for Casement & Mr Billows put it in. She & Top ^{walked to} Cummin


WED 10 DEC

1902

 Shorn the lambs in shed last night = 94 John helping. Top drove down & saw Canon Webb. In the evening John El & Top got in & picked out all lambs. 117 they are in shed tonight, the last. Castrated 5 or 6 today. left 2 unshorn for killing at Christmas. Young Mr Rose from Danewirk called to see if I had any stock to enter at Omondville next week. He gives a booming account of all kinds of stock and the high prices they are realising. Messrs Billows & Hall

John El & Top all gone to Childrens Concert (School) tonight. No frost this morning, but yesterday morn the grass was white. Potatoes uninjured Yesterday & today warm shearing days.

TH 11 Finished shearing the lambs at 11 AM.

 Took bale of lambs wool to station on Aray, with Chessy. a very fine day ²⁴² lambs

FR 12

DEC 1902




Did some work in garden. Mowed long grass in garden and round house. Hot day. John shifted sheep off flat on to Ridges & Widenups. Lilly round today.

SAT 13 Sledged battens &c up to 3 gates, and made hurdle. Got weights of wool.

SUN 14 Shut up sheep on Widenups. Hot in the forenoon. Five goslings, a good size got into water box on hill and died in the box last night. Mr. Garry for tea. All hands at home. Cool evening. Total number of sheep I make it 814

MON 15 Put in carrot seed in garden & raked

 in some where potatoes missed growing. John & Top drove to Canon Webb's Re Confirmation. Eva's tooth ached & her mother took her to Dr. Gradman but his instruments were not fine enough to extract the tooth or teeth. This has been a showery day.

TU 16

DEC

1902



Mowed in front for a few hours. A good haymaking afternoon. John got a letter from Charlie. At night El drove Gertie John & Mr. Garry to Orm's Concert.

WED 17 Bad weather, cannot do much work. Wheeled some gravel into cowshed and at house. 1st wool sale in Napier today.

TH 18 Mowed a little. Squally. John took



strawberry to F. Schmidt's bull. He & Top drove to Canon Webb's. He caught a 2^{lb} trout in creek today.

El attended church meeting at Bocketts. Mr. Garry & Claude for tea. Rough night heavy rain. Wool sold. 7 bales 5³/₄ per lb.

2 1st - fine x bred 5¹/₄, lambs 4¹/₂, Bel. per 3¹/₂

FR 19 Mowed some - corner plantation.




At night all hands drove to Orm's Church to attend Confirmation Service. Gertie & Panny Allen, girls John & two Cantley boys. Fine night.




SAT 20

DEC 1902


 Mowed Oak plantation, very thin.
Sledged in whatever hay was dry.

SUN 21 Fine hot day, frost last night
grass white this morn. Potatoes
blackened on tops. Top & John Church
I shifted ewes & lambs out of Wide-
raps onto flat & ridges. All but
John drove to Ada's in evening.

MON 22

 Sledged in all hay dry in front
and also that in oak and
corner plantation. Nils
Larsen brought Factory cheque $4.8.6$
after paying for butter & shares. We
got up at 5 this morn & worked until 7
or half past. A grand day for hay.

TU 23 Nils Larsen early this morning

 on the road. We had not finished
milking. John took our milk
to factory in dray & got 3.7 lbs pollard
at Randersons. Rain nearly all day.
Killed 3 lambs this afternoon.


WED 24

DEC 1902



but the lambs up. John took one to
Om. & sent it to Mr. Fournau. Nils Thorsen
took one & paid 10/- half a lamb sent to
Abick Hegh - 5/- Paid him 12/- for carting
10 bales wool to station. Thunder & light-
ning and very heavy rain. El & C^o drove
to township to do Christmas shopping.
Mr. Wallace sent a book "The Master
Christian" by Marie Corelli to El. John
drove to meet Charlie at last train.
A pt of shoes put on mare today.

Mr. Woods yesterday went to Umatooa
with his express to bring home his two
sons for xmas. He found their remains
in their burnt tent at a place where
they had been bush falling for their father.

TH 25 A nice dull calm day. A Neal
xmas & Charlie here. After tea went
with El to Woods' next house, with
 wreath and some flowers.

DEC 1902

A fine day John & Ernest Parsons went fishing to 1st river. I caught 4 trout.

I went to the funeral of the Woods Brothers who got burnt in their tent up Umatooa way. A big funeral.

Signed cheque for Jonassen £3 - as relief from Jubilee fund, at Mr. Beckett's

SAT 27 Mowed in front. All hands with

Charlie went fishing to Manawat. Caught 2 trout. Charlie left for Te Aute by express. Sports at Om ^{the}.

SUN 28 All at home. El & C. at school church

MON 29 At the hay. Milly & Pearl M. Nutt

came by the last train. In the evening

a small meeting at Mr. Beckett's

about the New Years eve tea meeting.

John at Takapau races band playing


TU 30 Mowing. El cooking for tea meeting

WED 31 Got in some hay. Carted firewood

provisions to Hall. Tea. Games, supper


Band playing Caroll's in townships,

TH 1st JAN 1903

III  Got home this morning from hall & Mr. Beckett's about 2 AM. Got up & milked and went to bed again & slept until nearly 12 o'clock. John got up sooner & went fishing with Ernest Parsons fishing, got no fish. All hands went to see Cricket match. Norsewood & Wai-pukuraw. Former won by 13 runs.

C Engelbreiten 81 caught.

FR 2 Finished mowing in front and Orchard plantation. Windy today.


 El & Eva gone by 1st train to Agincourt

Wool money received. Cheque £73 18 4

and balis £1-8-0 Windy for hay making

SAT 3 Sent cheque to Union Bank. Paid

Mr. Beckett's bill £4-8-0

 Got in all dry hay in front.

Nearly all of it in shed now. Rose up to Andersons after their dog. He was chasing the sheep on flat. Heavy rain at night.

SAT 3 JAN 1903



This is John's birthday. 16 years today.


Total amount for 11 bales £101 19 10

Railage and other charges $\frac{6}{95} \frac{9}{10} \frac{5}{5}$


Railway 5/- per bale. Receiving weighing
+ lotting 1/- per bale. Commission 2 1/2 per Cent

SUN 4 At home. In the afternoon John and
Magnus killed a rabbit on Montevideo.
A fine dry day. Walked over paddocks.

A great amount of grass in back section

 Old duck came home with 9 young ones.



MON 5 Wire netted a piece of ground in garden

 den for duck & little ones.

Sledged in the last of the hay in good
order. Mr. Wills & Flovie came today.


John took his & Gertie's boots to Tuckwell
to be 1/2 soled. He rode away to fish with
his sister-in-law called. El came with

TU 6 Got in reserve sheep & docked 1 lamb-
buggy to Orm.


 Put ewes & lambs on ridge except drove up with John & El to Campbell's
3 fat ewes. Mustina back & put on place.  & we bought 2 pairs of boots.


John caught good trout. El & Eva
came home. brought gobbler.

WED 7 JAN 1903


 Got in dry sheep. Mr. Mc Gilbray
came & picked out wethers & then went
over to Gilbert McLeod's, whilst we
got in ewes & lambs. Picked ewes 32
& Wethers 69. Price, ewes 14/2 Wethers 15/6


TH 8 Mr. Mc Gilbray rode across to Neals.

 A splendid fat ewe lamb run
against a gate & got killed, bled it
& dressed it. Mr. H Hall & 2 children
called. G. McLeod came at night
with his fat sheep & put them in yds.


TH 8 Drove all sheep off flat on to back.
 Took fat sheep to Ormondville
& trucked them. John walked in front.

A very windy day. Mr. Thomsen and
his sister-in-law called. El came with


 Drove up with John & El to Campbell's
& we bought 2 pairs of boots.

 mine 14/2 John's 12/6 paid £3.16.
the amount of Campbell's bill.

Another rough day, wind and rain.
John firewood splitting & chopping.
No sheep in front paddocks now.

SAT 10 John went this morning to see Crickets
 match in Napier, played
between Lord Hawke's team & 15 of Napier
He stays at Fournieau's until Monday
next. Gertie also goes to Fournieau's &
Napier. Milly & Pearl goes home.

Drove all of them to the 1st train ^{two} ^{morning}


 Made a mall, thinned carrots &c.



SUN 11 Milked early with El. After dinner
walked over paddocks to Hans Mortensen
In the evening. Alf Neal M^{rs} Smith ^{M^{rs} & M^{rs}} Thodsen jun

MON 12 Made some fires on back. &c &c.

TU 13 Walked over back & made some fires.


El sold 1 lb of black wool to a Norsewood
lady for the purpose of knitting socks to
be exhibited at forthcoming show.
M^{rs} Hall & Billows called on their
way to Norsewood.


 Sleaged some slabs for bridge
across flat to corner. Drove with El & Eva
to meet John & Top at Orm^l. Had to wait
until 9 o'clock as the train was late
Coming from Napawa races. They also
had to wait at Farndon 3 hours.

TH 15 Got in cattle from back to take out
 the heifer "Wildy" & her calf & put
 them in Reserve to castrate the
calf & quiet him. Sheep money £ 75.17.6

Cheque from W^m McGillivray came.
M^{rs} & M^{rs} Thodsen jun & M^{rs} Smith.
Came at night & stayed for some time.

FR 16 Took "Wildy" to F. Schmidt's ball.

 Sent cheque for £ 1.17.10 Johns
Life insurance money to W. Gibson
Light rain nearly all day. Sent £ 75.17.6
Longburn cheque to Union Bank.

SAT 17  Killed a wether. El met M^{rs} Colbert
& 2 children at Orm^l. Worked at
1st bridge on flat. Attended Farmer
Union meeting

SUN 18

JAN

1903

All at home. Top drove Mr Colbert & two children & babba round Ngamoka block. Cecil Wallace here today. Calm day.

MON 19



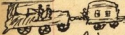
Finished bridge at "Island corner" John splitting firewood. El & Ce & Mr Colbert & children drove to Om but missed the train. Victor not well, toothin.

TU 20



Put stringers for bridge over creek near dip. Eva & Ethel paddling in creek all day. Messrs Billows & Hall called today. Cecil Mr Colbert & all hands at Ping Pong tonight. Victor better.

WED 21



Drove up to H Campbell's & bought a pair bluchers 4/11 hat 8/11 Gave him cheque £3 - got change & paid Saddler 4/6 brought home £2 = for El to travel with to Papatukura.

El Eva Mr Colbert & 2 children went by express train. Dragged in hinan stringer with man. Made small madd. John & Cecil went fishing to Man. nose.

TH 21

JAN

1903

Put 3 stringers, one totara (middle) one hinan & one maine across creek for bridge. Got factory cheque £5.8.2 after paying for butter & shares, about a pound per cow, test B. 45. Drove up to P. G. Grant & settled up with him. Gave him factory cheque & £30.0.0 Cheque on Union Bank. Rec'd £

Paid Tuckwell 7/6 Got 1 cwt white wire at Mr Becketts. At night attended Church meeting at Mr Becketts.

This evening castrated Wildy's calf. This has been a calm hot day.

FR 23 Went to Old mill for load of slabs to use as decking on bridge.

difficult to pick out good slabs. only 6 a load for one horse. Some rain in the morning (light). Afterwards dry calm day.

AT 24 Went with dray to old mill. Got no slabs Mr Ellis 7th day adven = objected. I Keal for lunch Star gave symptoms of coming round today. Paid O'Hara's bill = 6-7 =

SUN 25

JAN

1903

All at home. John at Nicholaisen's. Cecil here.
Very heavy rain today with thunder.

MON 26 A lot of rain fell last night. Today
worked some at bridge. John rode over
to Neal's. no one at home. Fine afternoon.

TU 27 Went to old mill with mare + dray + brought home
a heap of faucuts from Ellis. Paid 10/-

for it. After dinner drove with John
to Orm's. Bought 73 ewes at 7/3 and
51 ewes lambs a few with us at 6/2

paid Montith cheque for £41-15-3

paid Atlela Olsen for milk carriage for
John + Top drove to meet Alice at last
train. Mr + Miss Randerson called.

News this afternoon of Miss Peterson's death.

WED 28 Went to funeral. Drove from cemetery

to Orm's. Took ticket for Tomoana 4/8

in express. Henry Fourniau + Bablat

met me with gig. Stayed the night at

Mr. Fourniau's. They are very busy

picking packing + sending away fruit.

Mr. Alder delivered the 3 packings plus £12.00

TH 29

JAN

1903

Up at 4.30. Had tea + with the boys
and went with the loads (2) of fruit to Hastings

in there at 6.30. A thorough wet day. Rams
of all breeds for sale. Bought 5 Lincoln 2.2

each. Had lunch at O'Reilly's Hotel. Came
home by 3 o'clock train leaving Hastings

we met at Station by Bert + Alice with buggy.

FR 30 Went for load of faucuts to old mill.

Canon Webb came up in coach +
El + Eva also. All had lunch + John then

drove the Canon round to see his parishioners

finished dicking the new bridge

John drove for the 5 rams from Orm's

FEBRUARY 1903

SAT 1 All at home. Cold day. Olaf called

Went to old mill with Eva + John.

Sent to Northern In C: £13-15-0

Dug a little in far garden. Mr. Garry came

stayed a while. A cold night.

Put all back sheep in yard + picked out

+ put in Reserve 101 lambs + 7 culls

put on back 135 culls. Others in Bridges.

WED 4 FEBRUARY 1903



Finished packing out ewes, culls & lambs. Breeding ewes 240 including 103 two toothed lambs 258

Culls, including washers, cull ewes &c 306

The lambs including 24 woolly ones bought at Orm's sale are in Reserve.

Breeding ewes on Widerups. Culls on back.

Picked out 40 breeding ewes from amongst those bought at Orm's.

John took Cow Maffie to Alick Heggie's bull. Hot day.

TH 5 Sent Cheque to Wm & K. £ 10 + 10 - 0

for 5 trams, also ordered from them three drums of Muntow dip & 2 of oil for paint.

All breeding ewes on Widerups & some Culls on putages. Made hurl for reserve corn.

John caught 2 good trout, one each

FR 6 John thrashing cocksfoot. Top & Alice

Ababba drove to Orm's for fruit & vegetables from Papatukura. El sent vegetables to Agincourt. Sledged in log for bridge & bed

ding for pigs consisting of rough grass.

SAT 7 FEB 1903



Drove with El & Er to Mr. Robinsons & purchased groceries &c. Paid cheque £ 3.0.0

got 6/- or 7/- change. Heavy showers. John got some firewood. I dug some in top garden.

I scale for tea. Plenty of grass & likely to be.

SUN 8 All at home. Mr. Garry in the afternoon.

MON 9 Went to old mill for facecuts &c. No more

timber there worth going for. Made

hurl for draining yard at dep. Also made

frame with wire netting to keep chickens

in dray shed. El & C? drove to township. A

very fine day. Very good potatoes in garden

this year. Put all lambs with the old culls

out of reserve on to the splendid feed on

flat. Cows give only 2 a canful of milk at

a milking now. Feed pigs twice a day

with garam stuff, potatoe stalks, dock

leaves, couch grass &c put into Kerosene

tin & half or three quarters filled up.

porced over with milk, they do well on it.

We give a pepper tinful of wheat to hens daily

TU 10 FEB 1903



Greased buggy axels. H. Hall called John went with mare + aray to Orm for oil + dip but none there. Went twice today. He sent wire to Wms + Kelle. dug in far garden. Sent cheque to Wms + Kettle for dip + oil £5. Put all rams, 8- in Reserve today.

WED 11

All hands drove to Takapan sports Horse Moses in buggy, a hot day. left the ground 5-10 PM. home at 7. John took Moses home, paid 5/2 to Mr. Fred Schmidt for use of horse.

TH 12

Took Cow Star to A. Hegh's bull Finished digging in top garden Sawn human strainer + length of posts on flat for O. Gundrusens fence, which is bad, wire slack enough for lambs to walk through. John gone to Orm with mare. He got oil + dip which went to Dannerwork in mistake. El + Co made some fire in Reserve. Warm walked down this evening. Top in bed all day. John getting some Cocksfoot seed, sleeping. Cannot eat, face swollen.

FR 13 FEB 1903




Got strainer + some posts on to fence that requires repairing. dug 7 or 8 posty holes, John got in firwood + caught 2 trout Mrs. S. Grant + Miss Isaacson. Aggie Gollan + Mr. Parsons son. called. At night Mr. Thodsen + Jilly came + stayed awhile.


SAT 14

All hands except John drove to Daner vik. A chestnut horse of Carl Schmidt in buggy. Bought at Calder Drummond 10 6th bin xcut saw, handsaw, 1 1/2 inch auger files, ordered 800 gallon tank Gordons Top has a sore throat, got medicine at Chemist Jeffrey's. She went to sleep in buggy coming home. left for home at 3-10. Bought at Chemist Prior's 2/2 worth of Strichnine. Top's throat swollen.

SUN 15

Found a first class ewe dead near 3 gateways, wire twisted over head + she was choked. Mr. + Mrs. Miss Beckett malked down this evening. Top in bed all day.

 Top in bed all day. Eat but very little.

 John caught large eel up gully today.

M^o. Miss Randerson called this afternoon.

Dug a few postholes. John helped at washing

M^o. Walter Lichtwark "teacher of violin &

all stringed instruments" called. A large

Case of plums & apples from Agincourt.

TU 17 Sawn & split some henau posts on

flat. Another hot day. Flossie

& Mrs Collins came at night to see Top.

She is better today, regained her voice.

WED 18 Repairing fence Gundersen - Flat

put in some big henau posts. John

laid them with Chessie & then went to

Cricket match a practice in Norsewood.

TH 19 Emptied the old iron tank and

went to Orm^o. with dray & got the


new 800 gal^l tank, freight 2/8 from

Danewirk. Top better was up today.

FR 20 Painted tank. Got Factory ch^g 5/-

after deducting shares & butter. Worked

at

 Dug out old blocks where iron tank

stood. Put in fresh blocks & boarded over

them & set tank thereon. El & Alice passing hall.

SAT 21 Painted tank. Got cheque £5-

from factory after deducting shares & butter


Worked at Gundersens fence until late

El Alice & John at Montgomeries play.

SUN 22 All at home. Canon Webb called & Flossie

Walked over paddocks. A sprinkling of rain.

MON 23 Finished Gundersens fence. Painter

 Olsen came over to see about dipping

sent Bank Pass book & receipts for £250

to Union Bank. John entered flowers

to be exhibited at show on Wednesday.

Drove round Ngamoko way with list

for 2 yearly Subscription for Church.

Saw a lot of first class cows at Messrs

Morgan's & Cantleys. Another hot day.

John put the 5 Lincoln rams with

the ewes this Afternoon. Plenty of

feed in every paddock.

TU 24 FEB 1903



Dug some very good potatoes of 3 varieties for show tomorrow, Finley's up to date. White elephant and Bath kidney. A shower.

WED 25



All hands went to show, brought up sheep for guessing competition. John's Dahlias flowers much. For guessing the weight of sheep 70 lbs. Knut Olsen & A Neal guessed 59 lbs. The actual weight 58 3/4 £3.10

result, besides the Carcase which brought when sold by auction (Dutch) 10^s = 6. John's Dahlias got 1st prize. The timber which formed tables in Hall I bought for the sum of £1.2.6. Nearly 12 o'clock when we got home.

TH 26

Got home 2 loads of timber. S Hulena called about dipping.

FR 27

Carted home a third load of timber. Made dam across Creek for dipping. Paid Mr. Martin £1.2.6

SAT 28 FEB 1903



Got yards & dips ready. Hulena & his three sons came & dipped their 418 sheep and left for home at half past 11. He paid me by cheque for £1.8.0. Lof went with Peter Olsen to Danovick for the last time. Olsen not going again. Lof got birthday present from Pops Fournau. by train - an album. This been dry month

~~SAT 28~~
SUN 1st

MARCH 1903

Lofs birthday. 18 years today. Eva gave her a birthday present of Cash 4/6. I gave her a sovereign. John had nothing to give. All except John went to church in the school. He was not ready & we drove on without him. A cold day this was.

MON 2

Paid Nils Larsen this morn £1.0.0 up to 1st March. Will send only one can from today. Milking the cows once a day, in the morning. Paid Mrs. Schmidt 10/- for taking 2 cows to her bull. Dipped 264 lambs & put them on Ridges.

MON MARCH

1903

2nd

Sent Reserve rent today £2.5.6

Harry Hall came up by coach from Napier and stays tonight. Wrote to Julius Sandtman

Put all back sheep on Flat for tomorrow.

TU 3rd Skinned a wether that I found dead

on back. Got in sheep off Flat & picked out fats & put them on Reserve

put breeding ewes to sell on flat. Put

13 good ones on Widerups with the 240 or 238 there now. Frank Smiths boys

rode up to get a history book off John. Worked at bridge approach this evening

John went to Norsewood to practice Cricket

WED 4 Got in ewes & dipped them 262 in

ella Grant here today. In the evening adding the 5 Lincoln rams. Put put Ewes off flat on to Widerups and them on Flat. Yarded the sheep I had put back

sheep on flat. Miss Oliver picked out for Mortensen & picked out 13 of the fattest & put them in Reserve with the others, making 14 for Widerups.

Telegram from M^cGillivray to say he cannot come tomorrow. Every day

TH 5 MARCH

1903

Put fat sheep & others off reserve into Widerups & all out on back. John lame his big toe swollen. Worked at bridge approach, wheeled earth to & made it up. El, E & Top drove to Norsewood & got bushel barley 1/2 pollard 1/2 worth. Pollard is selling at 13/6 for 150 lbs. A hot day.

FR 6 Finished at the bridge. Went up gully

with the tools & put in some posts in the low ground amongst the bushes. John sledged me some posts.

M^cGillivray telegraphed that he will come in the morning for sheep. Little



Miss Oliver called, collecting for W. Church

M^r Collins called, collecting for W. Church. Rain has set in tonight at 6.30. Sultry

ATI No rain to speak of. Came out hot again. Put sheep off flat into yard before breakfast. M^cGillivray & driver pick out only 29 ^{16 w} _{13 ew}

SAT 7

MARCH 1903


 The price for wethers 13/6 Ewes 10/6
 We dipped the remainder 261 to be put on
 back. We dipped for Gilbert McLeod 292.
 W. Seickwerk came with his violin &
 gave Top her first music lesson. El paid
 him a quarter in advance £ 2.2.0

SUN 8


All at home El & Ev Top & W. Garry drove
 round block at night, as no church at Orm

MON 9

Sent letter & cheque to A. L. Gordon ^{£ 5.0} 5.5.6
 for tank & one to N. S. Dairyman. Put all
 Ewes off Wetherups on to Flat counted 263
 including 5 rams. Dipped the 3 rams on hill

 Gilbert McLeod dipped today 139
 Some light rain today. It cleared off & came day.
 out warm. Put in post at middle gate.


TU 10

 S. B. Bengtson dipped their
 Another hot day. Paid 12/6 El
 at Ericksons put in savings bank cheque £ 200
 Little Ella Grant staying here just now.


WED 11

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

1903

 Working at fence up gully. John
 went early with E Collinge to play Cricket
 at Ong Onga. Norsewood won. Some rain
 today & rain is falling at present.

TH 12


Finished post & rail fence in gully.
 Made some fires. Shook turnip traps
 sea in far garden. Showers. John fetched
 in 3 sledge loads of firewood. Top put £ 50
 in Savings Bank. We got box of grapes from
 Grunneadows. Letter from Mr. Wallace.

FR 13

Split totara log on ridges got 19 good posts
 W. Bak came & dipped his sheep 218
 Benny Bengtson with him. Paid 14/6
 All hands except me went to

School pic nic at Gollans. Good burning
 El Top John at concert tonight. school


SAT 14

Made up some fires. Got in lambs and
 examined them & found ticks
 El alive & eggs on them. Dipped them over again
 o'clock when we finished dipping. Put all
 of them on back 262. Made the dip twice
 the strength

SUN 15 MARCH 1903

17th MARCH 1903

continued

 John drove the ducks home from P. Beck's, two of them gone, one came one with a leg & a wing broken. Six here now instead of 9. Gave P. Beck Stockholm tar for a cut on his mare's leg. One or two heavy showers. Mr & Miss Garry this evening.


MON 16 Made fires about gully & beehive in the forenoon. Fencing in afternoon. Top drove up to Mr Grants for Miss Garry. Windy today. A good burning day. A letter from Mr Lockhead. One from Mr Mc Gillivray with cheque for £16.18.0 which is 8/2 less than I expected as he bought the 16 wethers at 13/6 each and the 13 ewes at 10/2 each & paid me at the rate of 13/2 only for the wethers.

TU 17 Sawn 2 henau strainers for gully gateway. Made up some fires. The fire came from Mortenson's and down the gully & along the face of the ridge over pond. A box of mixed fruit from Agtop to first river.


After writing at 9 o'clock a surprise party came after game supper & they went home at 12. Went with John over back to see the amount burnt. A great sweep. Made up some fires. The fires are now in the scrub. and many standing trees have caught. John cricketing afternoon. at night all hands including Miss Garry, excepting myself & Eva have drove to Concert in Hall. The breeze continues & many standing trees & logs on back are blazing. Windy now for 3 or 4 days. Sawmill near Takapan dwelling house & wollahe & at Te Ohou Harris's 2 haystacks & other damage done.

TH 19 Put 2 very big henau holding down posts in fence at Rabbit gully. Part of 2 strainer holes in gully gateway. Fire in scrub at back & over a good deal of section. Some very big rimu trees burnt down. John drove Miss Garry & first river. A breeze today again.

FR 20 MARCH 1903

~~23~~  Worked at Gully gateway. John got 2 hind shoes on mare. Top drove trios Garry to Station. Some good showers

SAT 21 Worked at fence in the forenoon.


~~22~~  Afterdinner dipped 250 sheep of Painter Olsen's. He paid for them 17/6 at night all hands went to Wesleyan Festival. Was in charge of Sheep Guessing. The sheep brought in 2 1/2 home at 10.30 John worked forenoon with Alick Hegd


El paid W. Beckett's bill £ 8.
Got Factory cheque this morn £ 3.16.9
11 lbs butter at 10 = 92 shous 4 = 13 2

Test 4. Only milk now in the mornings. Get only 1/2 can of milk. Dry weather

SUN 22 Walked over to 1 Neals. He gave me a cheque to pay his Road rates. W. Westall & the 2 children Siggy & W. Johnston drove over here in the afternoon. Dog "Bran" came here today, two boys came for him at night.

MON 23 MARCH 1903

 John very sick last night. Had to get out of bed very often. Did not do much work today. He bathes Alfred Thorsen's horse's hoof or leg 3 times daily.

~~24~~  Put in hinaw strainer in new gateway. A very fine day. El paid £ 1.16.7 to A Olson as Road Rates also Neals rates.

TU 24 Working at new gateway. £ 1-8-6 cheque sent to me by G. M. dead for dipping John painting gates & playing Cricket.

WED 25 Top & Eva drove to Makotuku & got a bag of flour, bag of sugar see at Robinson's. Split & laid some hinaw posts near new gateway. John went on hill to new post Office opened by W. Mall.

good steady rain set in about 3 o'clock
W. Top & John going to Social or dance in hall. Steady rain & a dark night.

26 Sleazed some long rails to Widorups gully at back. H. Mortensen dipped 322. Brought his sheep across our paddock
FR 27 Florrie Ada & 2 children come

Finished in Pic Nic Gully. Canon Webb for lunch & John drove him round. In the evening made up fires on back. Top got her music lesson. Let the two pigs have

the run of shed paddock. Miss Davis for tea all hands at church (school) W^{rs} G^{rs} Came down with us to dinner & all except

John drove over to Painter Olsen's. Last night our peaches & a leg rope were stolen. All except El & Eva at Wesleyan Church. Crowded. Harvest Fest. sermon

MON 30 Making up fires & burning off on ridges near new gateway. & on back sec John splitting firewood on flat.

TU 31 F Kilkolly brought up the 2 sacks of rye grassed & 6 lbs Chewings fescue & 6 lbs purple top turnip seed in a mistake as I ordered 6 lbs redtop g. So mixed one sack & shook some in afternoon a good deal of rain today. Science Election we voted. El & Top shopping at P. G. Grant's

A showery boisterous forenoon. Killed two young roosters. Cricket match Norsewood & Danvirke. Norsewood won. Made up fires on back in the afternoon.

TH 2 Dragged some logs together with more on ridges & made up fires. Part of forenoon & whole of afternoon shaking

FR 3 Shaking grassed all day. Rain nearly all day. El not well today John went to Norsewood at dinner time & got a letter for me from Richard Clark an old friend in Kings County Ireland.

SAT 4 Shaking up to 10 o'clock, then too windy made up fires. After dinner came on very heavy rain. Shook grassed for a couple of hours in very heavy rain.

John drove Top up for her music lesson He stogged in one load of firewood. A young son.

SUN 5

APRIL 1903

all at home. in the evening Alf Neal & Mr. & Mrs. Beckett came. Not much rain

MON 6 A good day for grassed shaking did not finish. El drove to the hill & settled Ericksons bill £ 2.3.6.

I bought boots for John & Top for winter

TU 7 Shaking on back. John paid 5/- to Alick Hagh for 2 cows with his calf. He got a double barrel muzzle loader from A Hagh. Is to work it out.

He shot 2 quail. Canon Webb in library, called a meeting of parishioners to see about building a church.

WED 8 Finished shaking grassed on patches. Made up fires. Killed & skinned a poor ewe for dog. Calm dry weather.

TH 9 Fine calm day. Dug out some potatoes in garden. A good crop this season. Palle Jensen called & gave us some good eating Apples. £ 3.0.0 change at P.G. Grants for El & Top travel expenses. Changed letter from Mrs. Frances

APRIL 1903

A Telegram from George. Coming tomorrow Good Friday 10th El & Eve met George at Station

"Rovers" played cricket & Norsewood lost.

SAT 11 Went to see Cricket match Norsewood & Napier High School & 3 teachers included. Latter won. John & Fred Martin played

Sent letter & 2 papers to Richard Clarke Top after her music lesson went to Napier where she was to be met by Poppin Townman

At night attended a Farmers Union Meeting

SUN 12 EASTER SUNDAY all at home. Fine Top at Towneaus. All drove to Waikopiro

Easter Monday Put Cows & weaners on back. Kept in Reserve 5 Cows & one calf not weaned. Put all sheep off Widesup on to ^{7 judges} ~~Flat~~ ^{Flat}.

Other work today. Top did not come when the buggy went to meet her. Alice came up from express train. John Hill practicing Cricket. Very fine day. Top came home by last train. Came in coach



Did not send any milk to factory this morning - not enough. Worked with George & John at flower house. Geo & Alice went away this afternoon. Fine calm day.

Found a ram "Darby" with ewes on back. Got him into yards and ailes the other ram. Norsewood school boys today played high school boys cricket, in Napier & only got beaten by 5 runs.

WED 15

Norsewood cricket players went to Waipukurau this morning & played & won the last match of the season there for a shield. Worked at the greenhouse W. Quintrell. At night attended vestry meet^g at Canon W. Garry.

SUN 19

Walked over back. Killed a ram found amongst the sheep on back. Some rain in the morning. John & Jop at school church to the Wesleyan Church after tea.

TH 16

Put shelves & flowers in greenhouse. a good shower fell. El Eva Jop Ella Grand drove to Makatoka to see W. Dugoid about "White Wyandotts" for W. Frances.

ON 20

Sledged a post & 3 swings & put them in fence between back & Mortenens, where the fence was burnt. John & Hegh's after tea went to cricket meeting in library.

FR 17

John working at A. Hegh's. Filled the drain at end of house & levelled off about there. Sent photos to Richard Clark & an "Auckland Weekly news". Got and a bushel of barley for fowles at Beckett's & 3 mornings milk in the morning.

Sledged in some firewood. A very rough day. Larsen went past this morn without yesterday's milk, must send thru day.

SAT 18

Got in some firewood. Sent £ 1. 17. 10 to A. B. Gibson. John at Hegh's. Found strange ram amongst ewes on back

ON 21

Sent Sunday's Monday's & this morning's milk to Factory this morning.

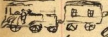


TU 21 APRIL 1903



Eva rode the mare out to the back this morning through new gateway & we left the foal there to be weaned. Brought in a load of firewood on dray. John chopped down a matai tree in reserve & we saved it for firewood. To night El Top & John walked to library - lawn tennis meeting. Mr Campbell appointed new Factory manager.

WED 22 Went with El to Hastings



Met all the Fournieus there & got Factory cheque £1-19-8 went home with them in the evening.

TH 23 Another fine day. Stayed at Rosebank

FR 24 Drove into Napier with Mr Fournieus horse & trap. Saw Mr Kettle & did some business with him. Changed Cheque £7 at Union Bank & left pass book there & bought a cheque book of 30. Went on bluff hill &c. Bought many things.

SAT 25 Came home. Willy drove us to Hastings

Brought up & gave to Mr Martin a 90 lb pumpkin 2 mangolds 2 carrots

SUN 26



Took mare out to back & let the foal have a suck as her udder seems large. Mr Garry for dinner & tea. Top & Miss Davis & John at Canons service in school. Mr Garry came back with them. All but one gone to Wesleyan Church tonight

Put Buttercup out on back. John

splitting firewood on Reserve. Even

Anderson daged & crutched Nicholasien's 50 sheep & we then dipped them

Painting house. El painted front.

TU 28 Painting house. John split firewood

& then went with them to decorate hall.

El & Top drove up tonight to decorate.

WED 29 All hands painting house. At night

El Top & John drove up to Cricketers

Concert & dance. Mr Jull the

County Chairman presented the Shield

Home a 1/2 to 3 A.M. Very fine weather

APRIL 1903

TH 30

Finished painting house. Mr. Randsen called. Every day fine & calm. A good month.

MAY 1903

FRI 1st Got in ewes & took out the 4 Lincoln rams & put them in Reserve with the other 3 rams. Put the Ewes 258 on flat there is one wether lamb with them. El Eva & Top drove to Mr. S. Andersons. & after tea walked to another meeting in Library. Paid Mr. Beckett £ 1-19-8.

SAT 2 Painted part of woolshed. Some rain. Got small bag of Cougrass from Mrs. Skelle. John

John left here at 5 AM this morning and went shooting with El Randsen on He got home after dark. No game. They shot six quail. Posted 6 Heralds to R. Clarke one "Dairymen" from Auckland. W. Newils Nicholaisen paid for dipping 4 = Mr. Gavary went away in coach for Spit

SUN 3 MAY 1903

Some rain last night & this morning. Went over back section. John & Top at School-church. Miss Davis for tea & afterwards went to Wesleyan church. Some rain

MON 4 More rain cool day, John carting firewood out of Reserve. "Darby" the ram among ewes on flat, got him in. Put one pig in sheep yards, the other outside. Yesterday they wandered over to Magnusens section. Sharpened John's crosscut. Tidied & cleaned up woolshed. Top joined Library & got 2 books today.

TUE 5 Painting door end of woolshed. El Top & I drove out after dinner begging up Ngamway & down Gundari's way with Mr. S. Grant & day Martin. John splitting firewood. We bidlanged "Darby". Letter from Mrs. Skelle saying they have arranged £ 300 at 4 3/4 %.

WED 6 Got in back sheep & dugged them & speckled out & raddled some fat & forward ewes & wethers, left some on flat unfinished. Went with Mr. Beckett at night to Watson

THY MAY 1903

Found two tooth-wether east on back
 yesterday. Brought it home on mare today
 John riding, it will be all right. Got in
 sheep off flat & daggied them & put
 them back - 505 total on back now. 19 on
 lawn, weak & small hogg^s except 4 or 5 to
 Kill. John stapled some wires on M^r Gray
 part of fence & raked in grasses on one
 or two burnt patches on back. W^m P & Grand
 & children W^m Petterson & hers & Miss
 Redward came this afternoon. I have
 paddled 44 ewes blue on rump & 23 wethers
 on head for Palmers ton next week.
 A letter today from W^m Ernest Perry.
 FR 8 All the women & girls in the neighbour^{hood}
 making pastry etc for M^r
 Garrys & social club social. He
 came up in coach with Carl Schmidt
 We sledged in firwood to boil for pigs.
 Killed fat ewe for meat. John went to
 C C Smiths, Re trucking & selling sheep

FRS MAY 1903

All hands drove to Hall. W^m Garry presented
 with dressing case, green stone pendant &
 case of instruments from Gynnaets &
 school children. Home at 12.30 heavy frost.
 Sent letter to W^m & Kelle accepting 300.
 at 4 3/4% at the end of July next.
 SAT 9 E & C^o in township, bought 1ⁿ into sh
 for John £2-2-6 new blankets at P. G. Grant
 gave small lambs doses of gum water.
 John sawed firwood & shot 2 quail
 I Neal came over. Alice came by
 coach from Orm^{ing} back from Hawera.
 Advised Abraham & W^m of truck of sheep.
 W^m Cantley called & paid 10/2 Stipend fund.
 SUN 10 All at home forenoon. Afternoon there
 came W^m Campbell & children W^m Cumming
 Afterwards Edie Martin & Miss Davis. After
 tea all of them went to church. Eva & me here
 MON 11 Put 14 small hogg^s in Reserve. A high
 took home in a sheep. Split a totara log
 on back. Rain. Sent A. W. News to E Perry.
 John Bought 2 wedges at J Colling^{ers}

TU 12

MAY

1903



Mustered back sheep & picked out 41 ewes & 21 wethers, Raining hard all the time & yards muddy. Picked out 3 fat ewes for our own killing which make 4 now on hill. Two of the bought rams got through reserve fence and are with the ewes now. The 62 picked sheep on flat tonight. On back now 560 mixed sheep. Total number of sheep after after 62 are sent to Palmerston 740 besides 4 for killing for pigs & 4 for mutton. This leaves another truck load to be sold in the spring drive round by German line. Fine day.

WED 13 Drove the 62 fat sheep to Orm. & home

again, no truck. Should have driven the sheep earlier so that they would get to Palmerston in time to be untrucked on the same day. Have them on flat tonight. Letter from Miss Fournau. Coming on Saturday for potatoes. Solanum Tuberosum.

TH 14 A thorough wet day. Pastor Topsholm's Sale.

With El shopping at P.G.G. Put in two panes of glass in Hall glass door. Sent letter Abraham William

FR 15

MAY

1903



El & Top drove up to Post Office & gave notice to draw out of Savings Bank £250. John out all day with his gun, got 2 quail. Killed a fat sheep. (a bought ewe) slight rain.

SAT 16 John met Mr. & Mrs. Fournau at Orm.

SUN 17 All at home. After tea Miss Davis Top & John went to W. Church. A dull calm day.

MON 18 Killed an old Lincoln ram & boiled

him with carrots for pigs. Drove up to Post Office & El drew out ten £20 notes. Killed a fat sheep after coming home from drive round by German line. Fine day.

TU 19 Drove up to Township & Top drew £50

out of P.O. Sent to Mrs. & K. £250 - 12 twenties & 10 ones in registered letter.


El & Top drove Mr. & Mrs. Fournau to Station. Got a box of apples from Agincourt.

WED 20 Drove 38 ewes 22 wethers to Orm & trucked

them to Palmerston by midday train. Got in & filled shed with dry sheep for crutching.

MAY 1903

MAY 21

 Crutched sheep in shed & turned back to big section as there was rain in the night. Shut pigs in their small yard. Signed Mortgage Deed for loan of £300. Mr. Bockett witnessed & signed it.

FR 22 John rode to Orm. and posted the Mortgage Deeds, before breakfast, to Cotterill & Humphreys. Got in sheep off back & as we crutched them we let them go out on ridges. At night Ed & John & me went to Library, a Social Club meeting. Subject - Bible reading in Schools. ^{Factory Cheque, £1 = 0-5}

SAT 23 Crutching. Put on Paddles 248. Letter & Cheque from Abraham & Williams they have made a mistake. I sent 60 sheep, they paid me for 57 cheques 28.17.9 Satisfactory letter arrived from Wm & Kettle. Top got no music lesson today. No teacher. Eva went to P.O. with her mother & put 10/- in Savings Bank. Miss Davis here tonight. John shot 6 or 7 quail this week.

SUN 24

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


John Top Eva & Miss Davis went to Makotuku Church. Light rain today. Skinned good Hogg on back, not scoured. Posted letter to Wm & Kettle.

MON 25 All hands except me drove to Mountains. EMPIRE DAY. Boiled carrots & meat for pigs. Got in remainder of sheep off back, filled shed. Old ram missing.


TU 26 Crutched all dry sheep except 18 in shed tonight. Put them on back & Ewes on Flat. John found a ewe cast on ridges. He went to Becks to look for old ram. I found him standing in creek in Reserve. Letter from Abraham & Williams enclosing cheque for 3 sheep = £1-12-1 From Wm & Kettle, bill for £9-6-9 Interest due Northern S.C. & Carlisle & M.C. Co. From W. Robinson Potatoes for sale. From W. Fournier. Potatoes at Station. El Top John gone to Ping Pong in Town Hall. Posted letter with the 2 Palmerston Cheques.



WED MAY 1903

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 John splitting firewood on Flat.
 Went to Orm" with dray & got 4
 sacks potatoes from Rosebank. 3/9
 freight. A very fine calm day as usual.
 Butchered the 18 which were in shed 444
 now crutched & on back. There may be
 one or two less as I killed one today.


TH 28 Put can on road today with 3 days

 milk in it but Nils Larsen did not
 go to Factory this morn. He does not go
 on tuesdays or thursdays now. Got set
 ooooo of shoes on morn today, paid 16/6
 amount of bill & 6/6 for new set. Paid
 Becketts bill to end of April £ 3.13.3


 Shifted old iron tank from gunshouse
 out to near buggy. shed. John carted in
 2 loads of matau firewood.
 Commenced to fatten sow pig. The other
 one outside feeding on grass. Entered 3
 head cattle with Mr Rose jun. for next
 Sale at Orm" Rain this evening.


FR 29 MAY 1903


 Killed old ram & boiled him for pigs
 with the last barrowful of Carrots.

 Sent letter to Mrs Kettle with £9-6-9
 cheque. also to Cottrell & Humphries. Emptied
 & spread out 3 pks potatoes in woolshed.

Alick Hegg Called & got half sheep, owes 10/6

SAT 30 Showery day Mr Greyus dipped 575
 sheep today before 3.30 PM. Due 35/6

 He got one wool bale. John at Hegg's.


SUN 31 All at home. Got in from back "Lilly"
 Red steer & heifer for tuesdays sale.

MON 1st JUNE 1903


Put 4 milking cows on ridges & left the three
 for sale on Reserve. Started to fence round WC.
 Mr. Martin came to fill proposal to insure
 furniture and effects in house for £150
 John at Hegg. Donald Rose put 3 cows & some
 calves in Reserve to drive with mine to sale
 tomorrow. Little Ella Grant here, is to go
 to Agincourt with El. Top & Babba tomorrow
 Showers tonight and very cool.

TU 2


JUNE 1903

 This morning I Rose drove my three beasts with other cattle to Orm Sale. The three were sold for, each £5.12.6. No other cattle sold at the sale reserves too high. El Top Eva & Ella Grant went to Otago out by 9.15 train. John to Shannon by midday train. Cool day. Heavy frost tonight.

WED 3 All alone today. Put milk can on road.

 & brought it in. Very little milk. Found Hogg^t east in Reserve. Skinned a very small Hogg^t that died in reserve. Sledged in totara stakes & short pieces to put down some of fence at long plantation in ground for ends of hurdles to stand on. Put two of those blocks in ground at Gundersen.


TH 4 Went out to back with mare & sledged fence. Canon Webb called to say he had an

 & fetched in house blocks - totara. Killed a fat ewe. Heavy frost this morning.

FR 5 Writing a paper on Shakespearian. Drove to Orm. Met El Eva & Top, at night from W Rose, proceeds of 3 fat cattle sold I went to Library, 3 papers on Shakespearian. Letter from Harry Hall.


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
 Put up part of fence at W.C. Sledged in load of rails from back. Sent letter & one Auckland Weekly News & 5. Herald to E^{to} Perry.

SUN 7 El at church (W. Grants) Miss Davis came back with her. In the evening Misses Learmont & Miss Cumming for tea also. All went to Wesleyan church but one & Eva.

MON 8 Very heavy frost this morn. See thick. Ground

 very hard. El & Eva drove to Nonswood, got shooting. Killed poor sheep & boiled it with ^{the sheep to Alice High. 5/6 to pay} the last of the carrots, small potatoes etc. took down some of fence at long plantation

Dug out some posts at long plantation

 & took down & sledged some rails to

for buying Gospel Hall & section on which it stands for £100. A meeting on Friday at 8 PM at W. Becketts. Cheque 16.3.6. A letter from John. Dull tonight. Change in the weather.

Rain last night & this morning, drove up to P. G. Grants & bought ledger for diary. Got bag flour at Becketts. Mr. Beck called to say he found one of our ewes east & one eye pinched out with hawk. Bleaded it home. Shifted ewes from flat on to Widedrups & ridges. Called & paid Mr. Martens insurance 1.40

THU No milk sent on Tuesday Wed or today. We get only a bucketful from the 4 cows. We send it on Monday & Friday. Rain today. The ewe died this morn. Poor "Nigger" done for

Worked some at Fines at WC. Sloppey Salvation man called with book & note.

John sent parcel - 3 Kaka's & 3 pokaka's by train & coach & came himself at night.

FR 12 sent 2 can of milk to Factory today. Finished jenu at wc. At night went to meeting at Mr. Becketts. with referrence to Church purchasing Gospel Hall. Agreed to buy it for £100 Gave sub £5. A Committee formed of 7 members.

Wholes remainder of carrots and turnips see to boiler & cut up sheep and boiled the lot for pig. Mr. H Hall called. at night with El & John went to Town Hall. Had free passes. H Hall came home with us. He is hoarse & has a bad cold. Top got her violin lesson. John wrote Traffic magaz. Napier about the guard giving him back the wrong end of railway ticket & seizing his luggage at Orm. until he paid him 3/2 which he borrowed off C Schmie

SUN 14 John & Top at school church Miss Davis in the evening, dull calm day.

MON 15 John split firewood. Made small drain culvert on back near new gateway. At night took the chair at Salvation Barracks. An address by Major & Mr. Spargo. El & Top circled. John at home here with Cl. Randeron.

TUE 16 Killed one of the pigs. A good seal. John split firewood. Was Birthday to 6 years today. She went to Danevirk with Elba & Mr. P. G. Grant. Many presents.



Cut up & salted pig, about 200^{lbs}.

Cleaned up wash house, Babba



has entered on her 7th year. Top has mumps.

We send milk twice a week to Factory.

Oak leaves withered. One low bushy

tree near road green. Green leaves on

Willows. John gone to Jimmy Arthurs to see

about him ploughing the front.

TH 18 Saw a log at "Pine Gully" & split



some slabs for Culvert. Showers in

my garden with hares. Windy today. Salted

the bacon. Babba put money 1/2 in bank today

his makes £1. El sent to Horton for shrubs etc.

FR 19 Working at Culvert at precipice.

After dinner killed a fat sheep and

salted bacon. A fine day. John went

through ewes. El & Eva drove to Noisewick

SAT 20 Worked at culvert. Frost this morning

Magnusen got bottle of dip. A Heigh got

got 1/2 sheep. J. O'Hara paid for dip 2/6.

Attenua & Union Meet. Got bottle W. at M^cDon

El Paid A Collins for Hodson's shaft 3/6

Rough day. John went to school church.

MON 22 Did not milk cows yesterday. Did not

send any to Factory today. Nils

Larsen will not go to factory for 3 weeks

from now. Brought Cheque today 11/3 after

paying for butter. A hen laid today in the

greenhouse, the first. Dragged 4 maine slabs

to precipice gully & finished it. John sawing

in my garden with hares. Windy today. Salted

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TU 23 The shortest days. John got in ewes before

breakfast & I crutched 71 & put 8 and

1 hogget on ridges for back. Some in

id tonight. Gum tree blown down at woolshed.

024 Crutched 43 & put on Ridges 2

Rough day. Heavy rain nearly all day.

Got letter from England. Eva one from Mr Henry


TH 25 Cold wet miserable day & snow.

Carl Schmidt brought 2 fowl crates

& shrubs from J Horton Bahia tree

Date	Description	£	s	d
Jan 3 rd	Receipts			
1903	Wool Cheque W ^{ms} & Helle	95	10	5
Jan 15 th	Sheep cheque from M Gillivray	75	17	6
- 22	Factory cheque after deducting butter & shares -	5	8	2
Feb 21	Factory cheque after deducting.	5	0	0
March 1 st	Interest allowed on 250			
-	in Union Bank on year	7	10	0
	4 lbs black wool sold -		1	6
16	Cheque from M Gillivray for 16 w 13 ewes.	16	18	0
21	Factory cheque after deducting.	3	16	9
Apr 22	Do - Do -	1	19	8
May 22	Do - Do	1	0	5
" 23	Sold 60 sheep Palmerston			
"	Abraham & Williams	20	9	10
June 8	3 fat Cattle W Rose cheque	16	3	6
July 6	4 steers sold to J Neale	9	-	-
June 22	Factory cheque besides butter	11	3	
26 th	39 fowls sold in Wellington	2	15	9
27 July	W ^{ms} & H for Crutching & skins	5	6	6
24 Sep	Skins to Watson	5	10	8
	10 cord wood to A Heigh	1	-	-
		14	17	2
		26	2	10

FR26

 Caught 35 hens & 14 ducks & put them in two Coops & John took them to Orm. in drag. Put sheep in shed tonight for crutching.

SAT 27 crutched 103 & put on ridges 29 John splitting firewood. John got lesson & spent the evening at W. Erickeens. (O). Killed a ewe yesterday. 2 fine days.

SUN 28 John milked & went with Walter Shoem to see the Lignite mine Smoke, this side of the Moari Woolshed The rest of us went to Church in School a very fine day. Put 41 ewes in shed.

MON 29 Crutched the 41. Put 15 on back This makes 204 on flat, 54 on back. Collected for Canon Webb's stipend 3.0.2 + 5.0

Rec^d subscrip^s from W. Martin £ 2.7.6

W 30 James Arthur's ploughed some of lawn today. Paid C. Schmidt 2/6 for carriage of fowl crates & some shrubs. Buttercup had bull calf today. crutched 16 reserve sheep.

Strawberry Buttercup	20 th	June
Darkie	17	July
Lively	6 th	August
Strawberry	18 th	Sept.
Wildy	16 th	Oct
Haffie	4 th	Nov
Star	12	Nov.

Receipts from 3 Jan 1903 277 0 0

Receipts

and 7/6

£ 5 0

21 Dec 1901. Sold 38 w 6 TE at 9/6	45	16	0
18 th Feb 1902 147 maiden & old ewes LAMBES	117	4	0
at 10/6 & 9/6 54 w at 11/6 34 at 10/6	30	0	6
28 th May 26 w at 13/6 25 ew at 10/6	10		
One fat lamb New Years day 10/6	5	10	9
One bale of Lambs wool	68	4	1
12 bales of wool	9	0	0
Two fat cows	27	8	2
Factory cheques since November 1902 Dec. 12 th	cut	qr	lbs
Bale No Fleeces weighed			
No 1 66 + Bred	4	1	17
" 2 72 + Bred	4	1	21
" 3 70 + Bred	4	1	2
" 4 64 x Bred	4	-	16
" 5 58 x Bred	4	1	17
" 6 60 x Bred	4	1	26
" 7 64 x Bred	4	2	2
" 8 60 x Bred Fine	3	2	4
" 9 62 x Bred Fine	3	3	15
10 Bellis, Pieces Dead	4	-	7
11 x Bred Lambs			

Cheques Received from Factory

£ 0

Jan 4 th Monday sent the first can of milk. got paid on Feb 22 nd for the January milk.	1	16	9
March 22 nd for Feb. milk	2	5	11
April	3	0	7
May	3	1	11
June	2	1	2
July	1	0	5
Aug		17	10
Sep	1	8	0
Oct	1	6	3
Nov	3	6	1
Dec	3	6	1
Jan	4	5	10
Feb 4	5	4	10
March 38 = 10.4	5	8	8
April 23	5	0	10
May 22	3	11	11
June 21	2	5	5
July 21	1	5	5
August 22		19	5
Bonus Factory Cheque	1	11	11

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NOV 1901

BALE Fleeces

cut gr lbs

No 1	66	4	0	9
2	65	4	0	20
3	64 or 66	4	1	4
4	54	4	0	7
5	56	4	0	22
6	66	4	1	0
7	72	4	0	6
8	60	4	0	12
9	65	4	0	11
10	55	4	0	8
11	53	3	2	26
		4	2	5

young 6/6

12 Pes & Locks bottom. 3/4 of bale bellies. 2
backs dead on top.

13	Lambs.	3	3	22
		53	3	2

cons time to calve
Bultrough due 5th July
Darkie " 18th Aug
Star " 18th Sept.
Lively " 21 Sept.
Strawberry " 27 Sept.
Wildy " 14 Oct
Maffie " 18 Nov