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One package of "National" Dip with box & carriage £0-5-1
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according to instructions. Powder, 1 package to 100 gal water.

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Coopers Liquid dip 10/9 per Gallon
 1920 per annum 10/-
 - Powder dip 92/6 per case
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 For £20 - six pence and every additional
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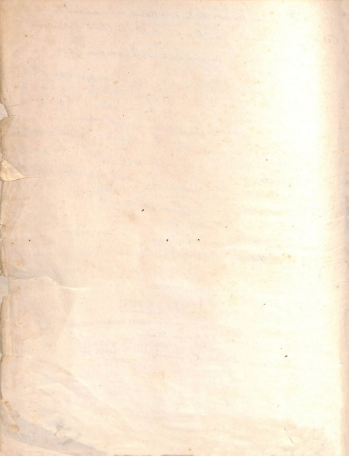
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A fine day to start with. What Smith's two teams took the sheep
bales and fadge to Ormond? John & M^r. Baumgart shifted sheep into
the paddocks they were in before shearing, big mob on track, all front
paddocks open to the others. Eva took car to Peter Lawson and he put it
right—something simple—paid 2p. Put in row of new potato and transplants
some cabbage plants, for the place where put in garden too shady.

All but "we two" motored to Darnoville to a concert. M^r. Baumgart too.

TH 2



A very fine day, raked in rapsand in shady places in garden.
Miss & Charlie came, after dinner all motored to Hughes & burnt off
blackberries near house. Eva painting house. John with Duke & Druin
and dined on track. In the evening Anton Scansen & Lura bought new carab.

FR 3



A very fine day. M^r. David got his sheep shown by the "Stewart"
Ted. Arthur and Charley Malena came at midday. M^r. Baumgart went to
Hastings. John digging turnip ground on track. Started to fence it, put in
2 stainers. All but "we two" at concert in Newstead. M^r. Pasimo with them.

SAT 4



Another very fine day, helped M^r. David and Anton Scansen press their
3 bales of wool. Put in stainer at ploughed ground and put 2 staps
to corner stainer. John with dino, Marn Eva and Douglas at pictures.

SUN 5



A very fine day. John went fishing with A. Verhulst and caught 6
small trout. After dinner all motored to Ormond? when I got off—
and went to Hacks. The others went with J. Pasimo to his mother in Waikato
and came back to Hacks when J. Selby was picking out his fat lambs to
be sent to Wellington in the morning, and his ewes to be shown at Otaia.

MON 6



Made a hurdle for new gateway before going out to work at fence. Opened
gateway at stainer near gully on Flat - track. John digging. Marn and
Eva motored to Ormond? M^r. Baumgart and others went post in train for
Tunbham. M^r. Baumgart for Wellington. Paid 15 Groom for Separator £2.5.6
Mam has letter from Heddleton Bradell. The "four" had a spin to Ditch today.

12 A fine day, rain threatening, none came, worked at fence line, big hole on fence line to be filled up - an uprooted tree. John with disc and harrow, three horses. Sent letter to F Selby re fat lambs, caught young rabbit on flat for Arthur. All hands but one at pictures tonight. Arthur gone with the crowd.

WED 6 Windy today, worked at fence, put in some heavy wooden posts, filled big hole on fence line. John finished harrowing, drilled in some swags and with jolly & Duke & Grace a bit lame. Eva did some painting and lawn tennis.

TH 9 A very fine day, worked at fence until dinner time, then visited with Mam Eva & Arthur to see both uncles, they were both up and looking as usual. John finished drilling in turnips at roadside and went to Tokelau.

FR 10 A warm day, finished 1st strain of fence round tea-upts, started on long strain over hill, much leveling and filling up. Good digging excellent soil. Mr. Baumgart back from Wellington. Mam Eva and he gone tonight to P Church where he & Mr. Harvey will have a farewell.



SAT 11 Another warm day, worked at fence, good digging, big heavy wooden posts. All but us two at pictures tonight. Mr. Theason bad. Dr. Atkinson in.



SUN 12 A very fine day, went over to see Mr. Theason, he is in pain in bed, can scarcely speak. Dr. just left him, tells me it is a bad case. John Grace and Arthur gone in phaeton to Tokelau, a fishing job. Mam & Eva at E Church and at P Church at night. Mr. Baumgart came late.



MON 13 Worked at fence all day, all wires stapled on posts, rails up at ends of fences. The fence is fit to keep sheep & cattle back until battens are on. Out of £11.0.0



Chiqua Mackin bill is paid. Mam Eva Grace & Arthur Mr. Baumgart and Great Mr. P. G. (Gyants brother) motored to Dannevirke. The men bound for Tinsham.

TU 14 Milked the 3 cows whilst Eva & John got in back sheep. F. Selby came at 9.30 and picked out 208 fat lambs at 6/4 per lb. No Romney Eva lambs sold. No trucks till Friday. Let back sheep go to their paddock. Rotted the rejected lambs. Went to Hubert's with Selby, the lambs picked here.



  A hot good shearing day, shorn 101 and put 60 in shed for tomorrow. After tea Eva had a few rounds in meadow with mowing machines.


TH 16   Another hot day for shearing. Dr. J. J. Jones came from Malvern with 26 fat lambs and waited here until the cool of the evening. Took ²⁰⁰ of ours, as near as they could be counted. There was great difficulty in getting them on to road. John went with driver to Diamond with them & yarded them. They are to be trucked early in the morning for the Glen Ct. Driver came back and stays here tonight and leaves at 4 am tomorrow to truck about 100. Mann & Eva motored to Burwood. A swarm of bees in front room, came down chimney. News that Mr. Baumgart was rejected in Southam, 18 hands to piece.


FR 17 Finished shearing the lambs, shorn 7 or 8 black and coloured ones. Put 49   in Reserve - wethers, dry ewes, and 11 rams. Put out on Back 382. everything counted. on Ridges & Midwings 313 everything counted. 748 total. All haws went at the hay in the afternoon and turned it, nice trip.


SAT 18   Rain great part of the day. A great deal of the heavy crop of oats partly flattened. John called home - news of Benjamin Lewis Analysis. Letter from Wm & Keith and catalogue giving prices of wool sold. 7 bales x 800s 15%. 3 x 800s Fine 16% one bale of bellies 1/4 on judge of locks & pieces 7. all good prices. Eva and Douglas out on Back found a black & white dog having a lamb baited up between two logs or under a log, barking at it, brought dog home, has registered collar on. All but "er two" gone to pictures tonight, raining steadily, oats flattened. Sent Postal Notes to F Shaw Fildell 576 Swanston Street Melbourne, 1/4, 2 years subject ^{for life} ¹⁰⁰⁰


SUN 19 A dull cloudy day. Went and saw Mr. Tindon, he is weak but not in pain. Mann & Eva at forenoon church & at Mr. Alderton's. John fishing, caught one.


TUN 20   A fine sunny day. Put Reserve sheep 35 on Ridges, 2 rams in Reserve. After dinner all haws turned hay. Motored to Horsham with Mann & Eva. Met Mr. Baumgart at train. He came back with us and helped to get in hay. ^{to} Two way gone. Eva on ewes, late when finished. Mann Eva & Mr. Baumgart out on ewes.


 A very hot day, John cutting remainder of hay, dry potatoes yesterday and today, also pulled peas and beans, red potatoes very good, they are either Beauty of Hebron or early rose. Two ladies with babies called, M^r Harris and another, M^{rs} & Eva at pictures, they changed dresses at Simpsons for £2.5.0

WED 22  The usual hot day John went with M^r Baumgart to his place with more ruggen which dinner time, afterwards all hands turned hay, prepared foundation in part enclosure for stack of hay, as sheds will not hold all the hay, dog gone.

TH 23  Heed up a row of potatoes before we went at the hay, dull and close, calm, got in 3 loads when rain came on at 1.30. M^r Baumgart helping after he came back from showing our minister over his farm, a load put in rear shed and two loads in hay shed. Torrents of rain fell in the afternoon, nearly a third of the hay out in this rain. The bees in chimney smoked & fired out.

FR 24  M^{rs} & Eva ventured to Osmondth and met Gert Will, Buzil & Betty. Archie Eriksen came in forenoon, M^r Baumgart went to township on an invitation to dinner, He killed a young goose to see what it would be like, too close & hot to kill a hawk, bought him from butcher and boiled him. At night all but the two went to township, much hanging up of stockings.

SAT XMAS DAY  A thorough wet morning, young ones enjoyed themselves very much over their toys and stockings. Presents for older ones too. £2 at breakfast M^r Baumgart wanted to go to Gabourton and Eva drove him immediately after dinner but there being only one express train today instead of two he was late and had to come back. He John and Archie walked to the pictures tonight. The others met and took Arthur. 'Dobblat' Anna John took her to Gervitzkin's ball.

SUN 26  A dull cool morning, Will Gert children M^{rs} & Eva left in car for home soon after 9 o'clock. In the afternoon John gave Arthur Archie's. M^r Baumgart drove up to Agawata, Archie is to stay a while with his sister, John brought the milk over to Pedersons, he found something on the road for Arthur. M^r Baumgart has tea in township.

More rain this evening. John drove Mr. Danzig to Oronond² by 8 o'clock train to Palmerston. Oronond² & Grant postponed, much rain in the forenoon. Ella came in the afternoon and John & I drove her home and stayed at Grant's a while. Rain tonight and cold like winter. Kokoque for lamb got 10 shillings today, no bid since.

TU 28 Another showery day. Grace got a line of clothes out but only some got partly dry. John went fishing but got only one or two. To get lamb cheque £209.1.7. In this is included exchange 5/6. Each lamb brought £1.15 bar 15 over the whole number. 172 lambs 2574 lbs at 4/6 per lb. 36 22-1209 lbs at 6/ per lb. This sale is very satisfactory.

WED 29 Much rain fell today, no work done between showers. John got cheque cashed in New River Bank. Letter from Eva, rain down country, very dry before. Received George's letter. Mr. M^r and Douglas Grant went to Christchurch, Ella, Maria & Jean here.

TH 30 A fine day after all the rain. Sent letter to Frank at Palmerston and A.W. News to G. Armstrong. Joe & I came at breakfast time and helped us turn and shake out the hay. He and I finished at 2 o'clock and John went with 2 horses and mowing machines at dinner time to his very rough paddocks and cut until night. Letter from Mr. Brown's sale. Pastor de Guich called about a sack.

FR 31 A fine day for haymaking, busy for loading, got it all in 7 hours cover. Joe Vaughan fishing, his man in one of the wagons. Mr. & Killa seal wool cheque £255.15.11. The cheque came from Danovick and is on Bank of N.S. Danovick's. Herbert's cheques have been in all cases on a Super Bank which suits me best. All but two are in the township tonight, on a visit. Archie too, he was a good help today getting in the hay.

SAT 1 JAN 1916

A very fine New Years Day. Archie left for King Country. Ella & Jean stayed here, the others of us went to Oronond². I took one car & phacton to Charles. He has been a little worse than usual these last few days, better today, faculties cloudy, forgets. Chopping and mowing us at sports, articles auctioned, bid 5/ for grass, 10/ for hay, paid them 15/. When we came home Mam Eva, Port, Bazil and Betty here.

A calm day, the Company about going away for a pic nic but some rain fell, enough to dampen the ground, they gathered mushrooms and went for a walk over the paddocks instead. At night Eva & Ella went to church.

MON 3 A breezy day. Morn Eva Got & two, Jean visited & to Dannevirke, Office closed. John rode round and made inquiries about rape hounds, trace potatoes and in the afternoon worked at turnip fence, fairly high wind. Sent pass book.

TU 4 ~~John~~ Ho tangson came at breakfast time, borrowed rate, John mowing at his place all day, some late, very rough ground, the crowd of women and youngsters visited river. Got & children left by 6 o'clock train. Went to Hughes with Tricketts & sledges, brought back posts for turnip fence and 17 stakes for rape dividing fence, finished putting in posts in turnip fence. Gave to pictures around. Sent wool cheque drawn on Dannevirke bank, to W & S Killin to be put in Union Bank. Sent a year's subscription for Herald - 2/6 to Minnie & Ed. Walker & Co Napier.

WED 5 A fine day, John went early to mow for Joe and finished late time of the rough job. Put rape across it with Eva, about 8 chains.


TH 6 Drove stakes across rape paddock and stapled on wire netting, heavy crop of rape, should have been divided before rape grew up. Letter from W. Baumgart.


FRY 7 Eva rode over to Rankins to know if his lambs are for sale, cannot sell. Haven not sold yet. Picked out & saddled 336 good breeding ewes, 149 on Widenups, Back 187. On rape 157 lambs and 12 cull ewes with them. 87 ewe lambs, 39 of them on Widenups, 48 on Back, and 3 cull lambs on Back. 102 cull ewes, 42 of them on Hughes. On Hughes were 80. Killed an old ewe this evening for dogs. All ewes and lambs looking well, much feed.


SAT 8 A very fine day for carting in hay, Went with John man & wagon & carted in all Joe's hay. M. Swade & Mary also carting and two men forking up. Morn Eva and all at home came in car had pic nic in paddock. Pictures tonight. John in bed.



SUN 9 Still calm day. Morn Eva to church twice to Baumgart. John at Mr. Johnsons. Grace and Arthur walked over to Thompsons. Mushrooms very plentiful.

Mr. McGeberoy at Nelson's at 5.30 this morning. John rode up to see him but he was gone without taking any lambs, they were not fat enough. He came round to Mr. Reed's where John saw him and then brought in Hughes sheep and the lambs off the paper. He picked out 12 wethers and 14 ewes and 49 lambs the latter being shorn are only worth 5% per lb instead of 6%. The driver took them away at once. John cut a light bit of mutton at Theobald's. All but he and I motored to Dannevirke, home at dinner time, afterwards saw man & I went to Ella's, her father not well. Auntie Florrie & Dorothy there, afterwards went to Owen's to Uncle a little better, his memory has come back somewhat.

TU 11  A hot calm day. John gave to this put away sale, did not buy lambs as they went to high to make any thing out of them. Paper down country beginning to fade, lambs bought up to eat it. woolly lambs 17/6 shorn 14/6 the shorn lambs 1/6 per lb behind woolly ones. All but one at the picture tonight. Made a partition in front to separate calves, and prevent sucking each other.

WED 12  A dry warm day. Got in Reserve sheep, picked out 4 lambs & 6 ewes put them on the paper. Put 22 in Reserve a lamb included, 27 on Hat, all old and in good constitution. All but John & another gave to Methodist pic sale. He went to Makeluka sale, did not buy. Paper lambs 17/6, warmer calves 22.10. Eva & Horn motored to Owen's met. this Mr. Row. Pina Mackie's bill - £0.15 out of £6 cheque.

TH 13  In Kaurhan brought the sale home, we shaft splintered - caught in a gateway. Put the hay at Theobald's and took it home in one load. Pressed lambs wool in two beds, one light one. John gave to see about a reaper & binder. The Company motored to Manawatu and had their pic ride. D. H. Cameron Blacksmith's bill 7/6 paid yesterday. Weather continues fine.

FR 14  Made & painted frame of gate. Company out in car and picnic visiting SAT 15  John took 2 bales of lambs wool to Owen's and brought back 32 cans of (Bayer) Dips. Cal with mowing machine & sheep, round sale. Miss Williamson came. Got cheque £11.6.9 from Kaurhan 48 lambs 26 sheep. All hands at Mr. Vaitaki tea & dinner and picture tonight.

The usual warm summer day. Mr. Jackson passed away this morning. Mamie present. All the company went to Church, John fishing, caught some, one big. In the afternoon M. and M^{rs} Selby came in a hurry for me to come and see her (Mamie) as he was about to undergo an operation. Drs. Kitch and Dawson present. Also Nurse M. Reed. The doctors consider that an operation should have taken place a good while earlier. They cannot say at present whether this one will be successful or not. Stayed until 9.30 when Dr. Kitch with Mamie came to see the patient. Eva & M^{rs} Kitch in car on road, came home with them. Before the operation Uncle gave me instructions what to do about his property.

MON 17 Went with Doctor at 9 AM to see uncle, stayed until Dr. rightly visit, and then came home with him. Eva Mamie & M^{rs} Kitch in car. Mamie saw Uncle, very low.

TU 18 Doctor again called for me at 9 AM. Uncle worse than yesterday. Doctor says P Willie just arrived. Mary Flornis & Ella here. F. Selby called & Miss Shaw. Nurse M. Reed attending, very good and attentive. Stayed all day, at 11 AM Dr. and Mamie came. Patient sinking, no hopes now. came home with Mamie & Dr. John & Howard went to Wapetown sale, did not buy. Lamb too dear. Adrian came with scapes & binder and cut most of the oats. Miss M^{rs} Rice left by express. Funeral of Mr. Jackson. All his relations present, sorry I was unable to go.

WED 19 Uncle fine any day. Went with Dr. to see uncle, breathing heavily all day long.

TH 20 F. Hookings came and Ada. He will not come again, can do no good. Sports at Kouswood, in aid of woman's policies. Gent & children came by express. They all went sports and came with car in evening & brought me home.

TH 21 A fine day, a slight shower in the afternoon. M^{rs} M. Reed came early to see about dipping but John & B. Riga went to Baya job. Roca Trickett to see Uncle but he passed away at 8 AM. Then to Orono? saw Red Hacking, Mr. Thron who is in charge of Cemetery. M^{rs} Ramba about digging grave, came home and went back in car with Eva Mamie Gent & children, all went to Uncle, Gent & children home by express.

TH 22 John and Riga bought 48 lambs at 13/4, drove all night divided them this morning.



Mr. McLea and John brought his (H^o) ewes lambs to be dipped, but rain coming on dipping was deferred. Hair from W. Townsman, coming by express. We all went in car & phaeton to funeral. C. C. Smith there. Hearse & Cab left at 3.30 a service in the Church. Rain fell most of the time. Will went home by 8 o'clock train. Rehearsal acted as pull beavers. After leaving cemetery went to S. Business Will read by J. Harkings. Mr. Harkings present. Property left equally between Ella and Willy. Ella sole executrix. Contrary to expectations and statement made to one and Willy by his late father I am not mentioned at Trustee. We came home in car and John came in phaeton and drove Mr. Leach sheep home undipped.

JAN 22 Much rain today. Motored with Eva & Miss Williamson over to Willie's in the rain!

JAN 23 Had a talk over farm matters w. Ham & Eva attended Anderson's sale. Letter from W. Kettle, wool sale post-poned. weight of 2 bales lambs, 3. 3. 4 and 2. 1. 4 Also account sale of 2 sheepskins realising 12/4 nett and put to my acc^t in Bank.

JAN 24 slight rain all day. John rode to Oron^o to see J. Selby about small number of lambs. Did not see him. Mr. Thodson jun came for milk, walked with her and Mam over to see Mr. Thodson sen. Ham Eva Miss Williamson & Maria Church twice.

JAN 25 Motored to Oron^o with Eva John & Miss Williamson, latter went in train. Drove John got 91 lambs from J. Selby at 15/- put them on flat. Motored from Oron^o up & saw Willie back to Oron^o took Florie & luggage to railway station. I saw Eva Ham two Mr. Thodsons to see. Saturday and on to Dannewicks. With John in the evening turned west of the wet catchwaters. Ham & Ned bye called about dipping tomorrow and also Miss McLea. Rent Rigger paid 20-14-4 as his half of price of 68 lambs. He goes to be sent to Williams & Kettle 41-15-8

JAN 26 Sent letter to Mr. McLea, Palmerston North and cheque for £40-2-0 for drill. Mr. McLea dipped his sheep 299. John helped him drive them. Ham & Ned bye dipped his ewes 295. G. Hulona dipped his lambs. J. Selby picked 86 fat lambs, driver took them away. We picked & put on ropes 99 sheep about but on flat 109 old ewes. 36 reject lambs. Some of these for Hughes. Mr. Thodson called about
Mr. Baumgardt crop sale

WED 26 A very fine day. Malena came and dipped 465 ewes, paid £2.10.0
 He dipped 257 lambs yesterday. He spent half a day stacking on Reserve
 flat, a horrible job, sheaves badly tied, very long, hard to do anything with, some
 of it not tied at all. Maev & Eva brought Rev Mackay up to a presentation to Mr
 Bagley and returned him home again. A drove has sheep & lambs in yard tonight
 Mr & Mrs Douglas Grant home today. Children left home for their home today.
 Sent cheque to Mr Skelton for the 68 lambs got at Barga Barga £41.10.0 sent £20.19.0
 Piggie's cheque to Union Bank to be placed to my credit. Days warm & calm.

TH 27 A thorough wet day oats makes again. Maev Eva Miss Williamson Mr
 & Mrs Grant and Mr Hitch motored to Dannevirke Willy Fortkelsen called.

The girls gathered mushrooms. I Piggie called to talk about Ethel & Hilleg's farm
 receipt from Hawkes Bay Farmers Cash Co's Dannevirke for price of draft £40.

FR 28 All hands motored to Dannevirke, looked over at state sheep show. Left letter
 of explanation with manager of Hawkes Bay Farmers Co of Assoc. Paid 11-19-9
 County rates. Got change for five pounds cheque from Mr Mackay. Paid £2 and 10/-
 to Walter Mortimer and Harold Olsen respectively for 2 pigs and 3 steers
 All but one twin at concert tonight. A send off to Mr Swanbick, enlisted.

SAT 29 A fine day, drying. Worked the lying down sheaves. After dinner ladies motored
 to river, went with them to Simpson's bought up hat. John went to Otaia Show
 and brought home a pup. Most of them at pictures tonight. At factory office today.

SUN 30 Nice day. Ride to Otaia saw Constable McLeod about Mr Thomson & the Will
 He says it is desirable to see a solicitor, more satisfactory was that dinner and
 tea at Uxbridge, he had one or two bad attacks, was in bed, got him down to dinner
 is very helpful better before I left. All the others went to mountain. Went to Alice's late.

MON 31 A drying day, turned and spread out many stacks wet & damp in series of
 rows. Row's oak, Newwood. John bought cow & weaner bull, Melstein, running
 with cow. All the others went to river and to tennis. This was a good month.
 although a great deal of oats is out in stack and sheaves on ground not dry.

MON 15 A clear sultry day and big clouds. Started to cart oats and make stack. Sheaves too wet in middle giving symptoms of decay and would heat and rot. All hands turned out, cut the towne ties and spread sheaves out. Between 4 and 5 o'clock heavy rain came on and oats is again soaked. Got M. M. Lead's cheque - 25/- for dipping. M. Love dipped ewes & lambs. All but in two at picture tonight. A gentleman from Tekepan called about a horse that he was in charge of belonging to a friend of his at the point, and was powdered and is now in the hands of Robert.

TUE 16 Another hot day, took some of the oats with glass, harvested for young bull and put him into Windsorpe with the young heifers, put two of the best looking heifers with cows to be put in calf. Eva mottled and got down to Tertkelsen and we fed and got to loads to stack, great rough sheaves and a rough looking stack. Got Geers cheque for 86 lambs at 18/- each. If the lambs wool fetches 1/- per lb, the lambs will be worth 2/- each. Sent cheque to Union Bank. Eva & Marn at 11 o'clock.

WED 17 A very fine day. Mr. Grant, M. Long and Willy helping at the harvesting. Two wagons carting in part of the time, an ugly stack. Took Willy home after tea and went for him in the morning, oats quite dry, sent cheque 29/- with.

THU 18 Very dry in the morning, but we went on with the getting in of the oats. We got all in by 11 o'clock, not nearly enough to heat the stack, which is too big and requires another tarpaulin. Some rain after we finished, tops, sheaves & such.


FRI 19 Marn went early with C. Nabors to Baga Baga, did not buy anything, stack too high. All the others went to Lammovik, bought back 18 x 15 feet tarpaulin from Rasmussen.



Put it over stack just before rain. Marn paid Anderson's bill £5-10-3 out of £16-0-0 cheque, paid "Rosa Limited" for cow & calf bought at last November sale £7-14-0


SAT 20 After dinner Eva came on to see Uncle, much better. After Church she & Miss Williams and Marn after dropping Miss Gamaway at her home in heavy rain came for Mrs. Hansen's lighter.

SUN 21 Got in ship off Høyhus & Hal also safe lambs. F. Selby, Mary & Charlie came in the morning train, picked out 14 ewes & 64 lambs to be trucked on Wed. Put 165 mixed on Høyhus and left on Hal for a day or two. Miss Williams left for Napier.


A hot day, no rain. Tom chased out sprout of back second h, swept roof.
 Out of a £20-10 cheque Mam paid Mackie's bill £5-12 and sent on Hugh's 9-11
 and h. d. sold by for Benjamin £5-6. She received from H. d. by a 20/6 for sheep.
 John rode to Whitson's and bought 59 lambs at 15/ per head, had an offer to buy at 2/7
 some 60 few year ewes off C. Vaughan, turned it over to M^r. M^r. head. Picked out
 113 lambs this evening and put them on the new corner paper. 118 cull mixed sheep
 for Hughes's Flat. On stables 78 picked yesterday - fat. All but one at picture tonight.

WED 9  Another hot day, picked out more ewes for breeding, more than 200 now
 and picked out some more ewe lambs - out of Whitson's lambs, more than 87
 ewe lambs now. John took the fats to Owen's very hot travelling, one ewe died
 put her in truck with the others, he rode to Vaughan's and got back here at
 dark with 64 ewes bought by M^r. M^r. head from C. Vaughan's. "Chassie" went through
 culvert up gully, is a bit lame. Fixed up fence in plantation where young cattle
 got through, sheep getting into Flat off ridge there. Only a slight shower today.

TH 10  Rain in the morning, turned out fire, all hands went to show
 on a wild goose chase, too late for circus, and saw the tail of Mother Goose.
TR 11  Dropped M^r. M^r. head's 64 sheep. John put them in his paddock,
 and started to plough stables, tried six instead of plough, slabbed gully culvert.
 On day before yesterday sent crossed cheque to A. Whitson for £44-5 for 59 lambs.

SAT 12  Repaired culverts up gully. John ploughing stables, rain came
 on in the afternoon. A. Whitson called, much oats out in sheaf and stock. Pictures.

SUN 13 A fine day. Showed her at noon Church. After dinner John to A. Whitson's, the rest of us
 to Lodes. He is well. M^r. M^r. head came for M^r. M^r. head's smith. Showed Gordon Grant at night.

MON 14  A fine warm day. Cut & bagged cocksfoot in plantation. John ploughing & at 10
 Sluiceway some gravel with "Chassie". Drove left M^r. M^r. head's 74 fat lambs to
 water tomorrow, returned. After dinner carted in Gervin's Kris oats.
 At night all but one went to picture. Eva came tonight at Oldham.

The usual warm day. Mudgey gravel 4 places about stockyard with "Chassis"
 John ploughing till a quarter to two and then took Mr. Lewis 74 fat lambs to
 Railway station, after trucking them, he went to Makeluta sale, he says
 he bought there at 10/6 all but 4 at 16/6. Put them on the rope this evening.
 Got Geis cheque for £72.9. (£72.7 nett) for 58 lambs 17/6. Six at 19/6 (woolly) 14 ewes
 at 22/6. All but the two included to C. Malvern's and Hutchison's after dinner in bed.

TH 17

John went early on "Ginger" to Onga Onga Sale, Geis cheque for £27.
 to Mam going to Dawsonville with Alice and all, to pay C. L. Nelson £13.5.3
 also Williams & Shells £10.21.10 and 19/6 to G. S. Brier. Got home in good time
 and took Alice home to milk. — Rode to Oronth and out 10 o'clock train to bring away
 a truckload of rams for neighbours, no rams came. Saw Uncle, walking about
 without stick, had dinner there, fastened tarpaulins on stacks. Yesterday
 there had letter from W. Baumgart and P. Card, from Middlebury, Vt. ^{in his own handwriting}
 About 7 o'clock John came from Onga Sale, bought 250 ewes at 29/6. They were in good

FR 18

John Eva and Mam rode out early for the sheep at 2.30 this morning.
 had another sheep after coming back. John got here with them at
 7 AM. After dinner he went to Oronth and brought home 1730 rams for Mr.
 McLeod and other neighbours. Rode "Dickie" over paddocks, abundance of
 grass everywhere. Eason marked 100 of the bought ewes & put them on Back.
 Put 50 on Flat, 50 in Reserve, 45 on stables, on island over creek.

SAT 19

A. B. Rowen & son by Mr. B. B. B. came for their 80 rams. Dipped
 4 for Mr. McLeod, he took them home. Two span rams amongst the 17, bought for 3/6
 quinnas one of them. John called in Mr. Grants 2 small loads of oats. Eason
 all the 250 ewes, 50 of them on Hughes, 50 in Reserve, 45 on Flat. Got Benjamin
 from Mr. Mackie, one case one pound, men ordered. Eva & Mam at pictures.
 F. Selby called, is to come on Monday. Eva rode out on Back and drove all
 sheep away towards Higgins where the grass is long and wants eating down.

John went to Malchewsons early and bought 117 lambs at 10/-, some ewes 22 ewe lambs & put them on Flat. Put 95 on paper. Eva & Marion & Arthur at Shire & in the afternoon met Mrs. & Charles. Hans Nordbye called, his sheep to dip tomorrow.

MON 21

A warm stormy day. Sledged post & rails to old garden beyond meadow, put the 12 rams - 9 10 and 4 old Romney - in there and put the Flat sheep in meadow whilst bringing in paper sheep and the sheep on Hughes. F. Selby & Adamson came, picked out 60 shorn lambs to woolly lambs, 32 ewes, 9 wethers, total 107, on Flat tonight. Picked out 83 ewes, 54 lambs & put them on far paper. On Hughes 35 ewes 26 lambs. Hans Nordbye with C. Habana and J. Barkhan dipped, former 355 & Barkhan 48.

TU 22

Sent cheque £51-6-8 to H. B. Yammers and £3-5-4 to J. Selby for sheep bought at Makotaku Sale. John helped J. Todd dip 158 or so. The rest of us started to Elton and dug a large quantity of potatoes, very good crop dug one half or more, got home at 4 p.m. All but one at picture tonight.

WED 23

J. Todd came early and dipped his second flock, 306 total. After dinner all but John went potato digging, finished, carted one load home with Fiddly. John finished ploughing stubbles. Ground fine & brittle.

TH 24

Went with man & express for remaining potatoes, carted half to Uvalde & half home here. The others met Mrs. & Charles at Makotaku Sale, getting bought. Note out advertisement for Elton Farm to be put in "Evening News" by Auntie, tomorrow.

FR 25

All but self met Mrs. & Charles at Dannevirke Sale. J. Todd with, latter bought sheep for J. Folbergill & Jane to be delivered at Makotaku tomorrow. All hands home here late. Eva & Marion at a Harrow Benefit concert. Sledged gravel Chassis


SAT 26


John & Todd went early to Mangatera for sheep, brought them as far as J. Riggs, one shorn tonight. J. Thompson dipped his 34 sheep. J. Barkhan 302 counting 46 dipped on 21st Ham & Isaac & Arthur at a Children's Picnic at 2 p.m. at Picture tonight.


Sham & Co continue to clear in the forenoon. I Todd came with his small flock just as we were about going to Uvache, they are in shed paddock tonight, rain this evening. Sent letter - postcard at Cronville to Mrs & Keith containing cheque for £ 259 - 9 - 6


FRI 28 Light rain in the forenoon, has cooled the atmosphere, dug some potatoes in little garden. John did a little harrowing. Todd came with 100 sheep dipped, with 306 ewes & 56 total, ewes 40p. Madam's Grant Thomson & Mr Harold Owen & children called. Sent sheep cheque (long) £ 259 - 9 - 6 Received Gear's cheque - £ 104 - 15 - 7. 60 lambs at 17p, 6 wolly 19p, 9 wether 25, 52 at 28p


FRI 29th Feb MARCH 1916

 Drilled the oats in Reserve flat, mixed superphosphate and blood & bone manure which was used with oats. "Dada" did not like smell of blood manure, has to be taken out. Sent Gear's cheque £ 104 - 15 - 9 (exchange included) to Union Bank. Fatness tonight.

MARCH 1  Got in ewes off Wiamup, our lambs with them, daggled & dipped 137 and put them back with 2 50 rams and on old Romney. Dipped 50 ewes out of Reserve & put a 50 ram with them, on flat for tonight. I O'Hara & B Riggins came to see about dipping tomorrow. I Smith came & asked about the 40 ewes. Gear & Mann at Uvache with a letter also enquiring about price. £ 20 per acre agreed upon.

 A habitation was called with book & pencil, self-denial & the building of a hall in Rosewood. Mann gave her 2p. Mann will carry her off of things she does not want.

H 2  Dipped B Riggins 66 sheep, price 6p. I O'Hara's 108 price 6p is to leave 3p at Mackies. Dipped 108 for I Robinson. Dipped 85 of our lot 1 50 ram and one Romney with them on Hughes. Sifted out our lambs and put them in Reserve.

F 3  A school children's excursion to Napier, many vehicles went past. Ben & Ben motor to Cron & left car at Uvache plantation. Got in Back sheep, picked out 320 daggled & dipped them, put them on Back with the 50 in one area and 5 50 rams and 2 Romneys, one ram with the one area 50, picked out all the ewe lambs, very big ones & put them in Reserve. 375 on Back now, total 620 and 12 rams. Gear & Mann got up first tonight from Cron & met vehicles going in, Gear & Co walk.

SAT 6

FEB MARCH 1915

The usual dry good day for dipping. Dipped Helen Stamen's 232 and our ewe lambs daggled dipped, 4 put in Reserve-124. majority of them very big. Water going down in gully spring water hole. Muddled 240 gallons today out of it. Mr. Lund called to see about dipping his next Monday. Eva & Mam decorating the Church with Harvest Emblems. Other ladies helping. Pictures tonight.


SUN 7 Motted to Omi in the forenoon. Eva & Mam at afternoon Church. At eight Packed



MUN 8 John and I Lund brought down and dipped 129 and brought them back from again. Paid 10/6. Skinned a good ewe lamb found dead in Reserve at creek crossing. Dug some potatoes. Mr. Lendrope called a section. A letter from Williams & Helle and a sample of our lambs wool & explanation on


TU 9 Eight rain has not gone far in ground. Answered Mr. Hestler's letter. Got in sheep off Flat, one ewe gone wrong, fixed her up, left hanging for a few hours. Note to Ella enclosing J. H. Smith's letter stating that £25 per acre was considered by him too much for Section. Returned lottery tickets to Joseph Lewis Esq: G. R. O. Wellington. A great news her of these about


WED 10 Got in ewes and lambs off Flat. I Selby picked out 46 ewes & wither 16 woolly lambs & 8 shorn lambs, total 131. John to truck them tomorrow, 60 lambs put on the best patch of paper. 45 ewes & 8 lambs on Flat. Dug potatoes £20-0-0. Chiqui Mam changed at Maoties, paid his bill £12-16-10 $\frac{1}{2}$ and enough left to pay others, half holiday today. Kinross and Stock of Harvest. C^o come. Paid £3. to them as final payment for will, and reckoned by Kinross as a deficiency in former payment owing to his mistake. At eight went with Mam & Eva to Urua


TH 11 Good rain today at times. Dug out some potatoes and asoka. Mam Eva and Ella motted to the Farm and counted the cattle = 7 cows 1 heifer in calf 6 eighteen months heifers 4 weaners 1 Jersey bull 2 pigs 1 horse. Mam paid £7-10-0 to Bar Hill saddlers, to Cameron 7/6 to Mr. Simpson £1-0-0. For Pianos tuner 12/6 pot notes to send. John drove to Omi and trucked 131 mixed fats. A lamb in Curran garden got him out fence requires a little repairing.


 A hazy sort of day. John started ploughing so far patch next meadow ground very bare, much rain fell, he rode over paddocks in the afternoon. Maw and Lou mended with Mr. Vitch included to Hamwicke, post letter to S. Erikson.




EAT II  Dull day not much rain, dug some potatoes, ground too wet, dug out a great number of docks, sorted potatoes in woolsack into 3 parts eating, seed and small ones to be boiled for fowls. John ploughed & put sheep up 12  Got in Reserve two lambs, put 13 in potato garden. 17 broken Reserve or dead, this count makes 2 short, may have got into another paddock John & L. drove up to W. Sticks Lewis. Others gas to Uncle & Lattie to Vaughan. Joe Emis at Orkles.

13  One of the 13 lambs put in potato garden yesterday very lame, unable to walk, marks of dog teeth in hind quarter, died at midday, after skinning found quarter was swollen & bruised, laid 2 bates in Reserve, two of our own lambs in W. Leods, looks as if driven through fence by dogs, got them back. John ploughing. The lamb that died was bitten by small dog with short teeth, skin not torn, showed

14  Fine morning & forenoon. I Thompson dipped 149 ewes. Matchison dipped 112 lambs - Fogarty 303 or so paid 23/6. Rowsthorn helped by S. Macintyre dipped 203, terrific rain fell whilst dipping latter, will put them through again without payment if any live tick is seen when sheep are dry hereafter. All sheep dipped today got a terrible washing. Matchison left his fat wool of lambs here tonight to be trucked by 8 AM tomorrow. He saw Brown chase one of our lambs off his oats with his terrier, this is how the lamb got bitten that died yesterday. Fence between us not sheep proof, must repair it soon as we can.

15  Left this morning for Pahouhai, country from here to there looks miserable rain much needed. A three hours trip, stayed a short time in Waipawa, Got pleased.

16  At Home, dipped 483 for D. M. Farlane 78 for R. Christianman. Gas for Fogarty R 3/6 Thompson paid 12/6. D. M. Farlane paid £1-17-9. Christianman is to pay 4/6. At Pahouhai - Went in to Napier with Gustava & children. A Swanson paid £1- for dipping his 232 on Sat 4th. Paid on 14th. Found dog poisoned

- FRI 17** A wet day. John went to Dick's Sale, bought 17 ewes at 18/7. Brought them as far as Malakman, went for them next morning.
- SAT 18** At Pahowhai - Motored to Hastings. M^r Kasicko out at home, called at Sturrock's and saw the family except Doris. Night stayed inside.
- SUN 19** A fine day. All hands motored through Napier, over bridge, on to Marshall's Crossing, had pic nic, boiled hilly, stayed good while. Back through Napier, called at Makatu freezing works, saw some of the machinery upstairs, fine looking place. After tea the three went for grapes to a monastery. Called and saw the Beckette last Thursday.
- MON 20**  Up fairly early to pack & leave for home. Basil not up left at 20 minutes to 7. Stayed a little while at Waipawa & at Waipukuruan. Got home little after 10. M^r Cantwell called about Ella's 40 acres. Offered to give £30 per acre with cattle re given in. went with Mam & Eva to Uncle's. Ella accepted offer. They all motored to the farm. Stayed with Uncle in their absence. Letters from Baumgart & M^r Anderson.
- TU 21**  Got in sheep off Hughes & put them back 102 ewes & 2 rams. Got in Widesups 157 and 3 rams. Counted 127 mixed - old ewes & lambs off meadow and put them in bare rapu paddock now being ploughed. A piece of it ploughed today as rapu not likely to come on. Hill rapu looks well. 2 1/2 acres Algerian oats drilled in yesterday next meadow. On meadow now, one blind ewe and one disfigured Lamb. Pictarus tonight.
- WED 22**  A wet day, sorted potatoes in wshed. John went to house above and carted tetra parts to fence between Reserve & Cannans paddock, to be made sheep pen. Sheep in paddock, 378 ewes on back, ¹⁰ 2 rams. Widesups 157 & 3 rams. Hughes 102. 2 Rams. 127 mixed ewes & lambs to fatten, now on that. Either 117 or 119 in Reserve. 2 in meadow

WED. 23

A fine day, put in hours work between River & Barron's. Had interview with Honorable Mr. Wood. Mr. & Mrs. Wallace called at mid day on their way to sale at Bawthorpe. Mam & Ed to Danmire, paid loan & Marcombe for same £3-14-10. Got back of car repaired at Neilson's. Look two pounds change to change at Mackies.

FR. 25 A fine forenoon wintery evening digging picking sorting potatoes in home garden.

John drilling oats for Goyntlyke. Mam & Ed at Eltham left bill for S. Erickson. Pasted blue paper to Clark of Court Ground. Sent cheque for 17 acres to ^{S. D.} ~~W. D.~~ ¹⁸⁻¹¹

SAT. 25 Showers in the forenoon, wintery, too wet to plough. John went to P.O. Savings Bank & to Bank N.S.W. and over paddocks to put over & rows together. Sold potatoes. All but one at picture tonight.

SUN. 26 Went with Eva & Mam to Uxbridge. Eventually has paid £200 point on Farm and ^{thought} pays £400 down as soon as transfer is arranged by Hastings. A very fine day. Mam & Ed at P. O. lunch.

MON. 27 A very fine day. put in a couple of rows winter cabbage plants home garden. dug & chopped out blackberries briars up gully etc. Mam paid £6-14-4 the amount of Amersham bill out of a seven pound cheque. Ed allowed 2/6. John drilled 3 acres of oats for Mulholland and a small bit for Ted. Ashmore.

TU. 28 dug out potatoes self sown and drilled, picked & put in workshed eating potatoes. Piano tuner called, not required. John drilled for Ted. Bothams and Christiansen & Co. on J. Scheroid to old place. All but one gone to picture tonight.

WED. 29 A thick fog in the morning. John brought Anton Christoffersen's 17 sheep across paddocks and tipped them. After bringing them back went to Mulholland's stock sale, drove sheep shop home for Mr. Wood. Ted bought 62 lambs at 19p. Eva tonight. Hedges all small potatoes here & sheep pen them in garden to pit. large ones in workshed.

TH. 30 A beautiful day, John and frequent ploughing. J. Mackie brought manure and seed oats and barley. Peter Christiansen and boy gone to Newportman hospital.

FR. 31 A wet morning turned out fine, finished sorting potatoes. In afternoon to Danmire's sale. did not buy, nothing suitable, all sheep and lambs were prices not expected to come down. abundance of food. Barclay's boy came to ask for John to drill a paddock of 5 acres or so for them. Nearly 400 sheep on the place now.

A beautiful day, dug out some briars in Reserve, to grasses & John finished a ploughing. Got in sheep off flat - ewes & lambs and dipped the lot. 75 on paper dipped today & 84 lambs on flat - ewes & lambs on paper. Got in Reserve ewe lambs 114 this makes our number 4 lambs short. put 24 of them on flat leaving 70 for Reserve.

MON 2 A lovely day, put 20 lambs on meadow, remain Reserve. All but John motored to Mr. Wallace's in Whetukana, after dinner walked over paddocks, nice ground & place. Mr. Adams & I remain there with a new phonograph motor car, left at 5 o'clock. Called at Uncle's and got a rooster. Mam & Eva at Church tonight. Spent a good day.

TUE 3 A beautiful day, chopping and rooting out briars, Banasthorpe dipped 12 ewes, pairs & John bought 40 lambs half of them woolly at 12/6 from J. Hutchinson, put them on paper this evening all but 2 woolly ones. Mr. M. Callough and daughter called. John dined the ploughed piece. Saw bunny at woolshed.

WED 4 Chopping and digging out briars in Reserve. Staged out manure and oats and barley to John to drill, put in 2 bushels to the acre, finished sowing brought bunny under slab near stockyard. Eva has been tethered again. Pictures

THU 5 Chopping & digging out all the briars to be seen. John drilled barley into 4 or divided paddock and into Reserve garden, and rounded sheep in paddocks


FRI 6 Every day fine. Put a seventh wire on fence - Reserve - Curran's oats Curran did likewise. A poor old ewe died on paper, John pulled off wool & buried it


SAT 7 A dull calm day, finished fence - Reserve, Curran, Mam & Co. motored to home above and chopped down young growth of briars, dragged a couple of shovels full of gravel to yard. Put ewe lambs off meadow into Reserve. Mam paid Andersons bill & Blacksmiths out of a one pound cheque.


SUN 8 Rain showers during the day, thrashed 8 sacksful of cocksfoot. To grass and went to see W. M. Thomson in his office. John laid bottom round turnip paddock. Pictures at night. Of course Mam Eva & Gra went.


MON 9 Good day after the rain. Mr. M. Leva called about drilling his barley & grassed. John is to do it on Tuesday next. Motored to Uncle's in the afternoon.


~~MON 10~~ Drove to Eliza farm with John & Ethel and carted home here to 2 pigs.
He went to Kesswood sale, did not buy, lamb wool returns, 2 bales 38-6-10.

TU 11 John drilling at Mr. Lee's, very fine day. Eva with Mr. Kitch. Dug out fifteen
 strains at angle rape paddock and put it in securely. Letter from Egypt
 Misses Dawson & Beckett. Yesterday put 20 ewes and 40 lambs on Reserve oats
 and put back on rape 30 of the worst lambs. Mr. Allen called, has drilling to do.


WED 12  Fogarty & Ryan dipped 225 shorn lambs paid 17p. John finished
 drilling at Mr. Lee's, made a start at Higgins. Gave pigs bag of weeds, as well as
 Anika potatoes and milk, they eat the turnips and leaves. Mam & Co at O'Brien's.


TH 13  Mam Ryan and Fogarty dipped 114 ewes paid 12p. Thompson 14p for
 134 shorn lambs. John drilled for Higgins and Ferguson. Miss Higgins called, fine day.


FR 14 Shopped horse turnips on a furrow and dug round big stream at
 brown gate. John drilling home and seed at Mr. O'Sullivan's.


SAT 15 A dull calm cloudy day, only a little rain fell. Eva Mam & Ethel motored
 John to Allen's to drill, he finished. Received £2. Eva with Mr. Kitch
 now as Mr. West was in paper. Mam carried home & put in basement - spare room pane
 of glass, she & Eva invited to tea at Doctor's tonight, then pictures. Dug all round big
 gate post footed and secured it to hang gate on. Mr. Mr. Gibroy called, got some
 middle of meat week. Eva rode Trickett over paddocks and put sheep to get her.



SUN 16 Eva motored to Dr's and with her cow twice today. After dinner went to Unchos.



MON 17  A dull calm day. John filled ditch evening place on road in opposite direction
 and a gateway. Staples on ballus on fence - Flat, angle rape paddock. At night went
 with Eva Mam Mr. and Miss Thomson to Danvers to hear Mr. Robinson lecture on the war
 and his experience in it in Southern France. Much rain fell going and coming.

TU 18 Rain came in the morning. Got in and dugged Flat lambs 100, then off rape stalks
 & dugged & put back 16. Kept 15 of them in shed paddock for tonight, no rain.
 Eva did not milk Dr's cow today, Mr. West home. She Mam and John at pictures tonight
 killed & skinned O'Byrne's ewe, left at dipping and unable to stand.

 A fine calm day, carted hay from yard shed up to hay shed. Rec^d 45-8-0
 Cheque on Bank of New Zealand Commence from Mr. McLeod which he got from
 Pava Erickson by giving him a summons from me for money lent (£5) the above
 shillings is for costs. Walter Mathison agreed to come & cut our chaff tomorrow
 We mustered over 50 good packs of our own. Mam & Eva wanted to Antler Olsen
 and brought back 22 sacks most of them useless, 6 from it Took's team only 2
 of them good. 24 from Hans Nelson's all good. Carted wood & sacks to stack.

TH 20  A sunny calm day. W. Mathison started to cut stack into chaff. Finished
 before dark. between nine & ten tons of chaff. Paid him £10-15-0
 His charge is 10/- per ton. John carted chaff to yard shed & tipped the chaff out -
 and carted cans of water, a busy day. two black boys helped, gave big one 2/- and 1/-
 to the little fellow. Was in stack jacking most of the day, the boys gave a little help
 to John. At night Miss McRae came, Eva met her with car. Eva put Reserve lamb to

 out of flat and put the sheep on oats into Reserve, the oats eaten down lower
FR 21  started in the sacks of chaff left out last night - 50 sacks. Also the
^{wood} ^{framing} ^{frames} left over, ladders, cans etc. turned sacks of chaff in carted leaving
 spaces between for cats to get through. Eva met Miss Williamson at Railway Station
 at midday. Bought her Miss McRae cow & team at Dr. Saito's by invitation. John at
 Hospital Hall. Got in flat sheep, paddled with lambs blue on head - 38 and put
 them on meadow. Put 130 ewe lambs on flat. Sheep in Reserve waiting for Dray's boys.

SAT 22  lovely day. Yesterday killed young gander for today's dinner, we enjoyed it.
 Selie Campbell and Miss Bird with us & left today again. John carted
 in firewood and we gathered and sifted scattered oats where stack stood. At
 night Eva Mam & Miss Williamson went to Victoria. Got new Valuation Papers
 Valuation brought up. Unimproved an increase of 1525. Previous 2207 now 3732.
 Hospital value now 5691, previous 3818. Value of improvements 1959, before 1641.
 This increase of valuation is for War purposes, filling out reinforcements, providing for
 wounded soldiers, pensions young women married to departing soldiers etc. etc.

EASTER

21 A dull calm cloudy day. Eva, Maun & Miss Williamson instead to church and were late. Miss M^{rs} Raw was wise. All busy them selves making saw for a mountain pine fire. All in the house but one went to the hills, many Agamski people joined them, they got home before dark and before the rain set in. Steady rain tonight. Eva, Maun, Miss M^{rs} Raw & Miss Williamson at Church tonight. Miss M^{rs} Raw brought her a pair of does, they fitted up an enclosure for them in a sunny spot in stockyard.

MON 22 Rain during the day, fine greater part and evening, sports in Comandville. M^{rs} M^{rs} Gillivray came and picked out 27 ewes and 29 lambs. Put 17 ewes and 5 lambs in Reserve, 6 waight lambs in shed pad dock tonight. Lots in meadow. Miss M^{rs} Raw left by afternoon train, Sadie & 2 little girls escorted to Walker by Eva and ^{gran}

TU 23 A stormy day. John & Jena went for a holiday to Auckland & there at once. All hands met with them to Comand^{ville} train, long & packed, they got plenty rooms before John went he was the 26 jets to Com^{andville} & trucked them, then rode back here.

I spent the day at Uacles and when Eva & Maun came with Miss Williamson to catch 6 o'clock train I came home with them. Arthur has trouble than with parents. John packed better to Longburn does long sheep & wether, 26 ewes, 11 wolly lambs 18 shorn.

WED 24 Another stormy day. M^{rs} Torgarty took away his mob of shorn lambs from big yards, where they were for the night, to Maketu. Lots, Cuthbert on 58 wights, 3 of them on carts to be crutched tomorrow cut off 7 ticks. A wonderful change in Arthur for better.

TH 25 By this morning, staples on battens that Jena. Got in 16 lambs off rope stails and crutched 15 on a ram lamb. Put 30 on paper, 46 shed pad dock, crutched & banded 26

FR 26 Put 30 lambs on Dock near Higgins then Ridge all crutched & banded 8. M^{rs} Hudson called also Walter M^{rs} & Jela, M^{rs} & M^{rs} Grant. Eva visited Jackson & P^{er} & the garden.

SAT 27 Crutched & banded Reserve sheep, 23. 17 of them are ewes. With her crutched cats & straw for haw to pick at, found battens, round turnips, hares eating grass better from John & J. N. News

SUN 28 Rain in the morning, some through the day. Afternoon visited to Uacles. Ella & I with us at night to P^{er} church. This has been a splendid month.



A wet day. Went to Howwood sale, Lambstown in price for cattle
 fetch a good price. 2 fat cows & 8 yrs each. Mr. P. G. Grant sold a cow for 12.
 out long colored, run up by 2 or 3 or more buyers. Shows lambs good condition
 passed in at 14p, owners wanted 16p. Had afternoon tea at Mr. Grant's.
 Bad news in papers. General Townshend, surrendered with 9,000 soldiers
 to the Turks, the latter say 12,000. An insurrection in Ireland confined
 chiefly to Dublin, by the Sinn Feins perpetrated by Germans, a great deal
 of destruction and bloodshed. Jewellery and other shops looted etc. Returns
 to hand for sheep sent to Longburn, unsatisfactory. Lambs 14p, ewes
 one wither sent not mentioned, weight of lambs 29 lbs at 5³/₈ and 5¹/₂ lbs
 51 lbs nearly 22 lbs at 4³/₄. Cheque £47. 12. 8 including 1/3 exchange.
 Got set of shippers on Trainee. Mr. Spright called. Eva saw to the returns.

TU 2 Fine forenoon. Rain in the evening, putting on battens on fence round

WED 3 A turnip. Yards too wet to get on ewes & take some out. Returns tonight

Finished shelling on battens round turnip fence and filling up Mr. Deak's
 and Trainee off that out on back, too much stock on that Eva got in a lot of
 lambs off that to catch, put 20 in shed. She went to Coovers at night & home to P. O. ^{meeting}

TH 4 A slight white frost this morning. Can hard to shift Dr. Vitch about the rope
 car to his and give it a run to warm it up, but just we pushed it along and got it by
 Miss Allen's car also struck at German lane. Eva took occupants home to Coovers
 and she and Mam then went at the usual Soldier's garment sewing in making
 Irish rebellion quelled 3 of the leaders shot so far, others likely to follow later on.
 Put 30 lambs crutched & branded 2 in Reserve, 18 in main pen, used lampblack tar
 instead of red paint, the latter appears after the rain, 31 in shed tonight 51 in shed

FR 5 All lambs crutched & branded, except 30 in shed tonight. Eva got in 101 on
 Hughes & 2 rooms. His leaves 1 ewe short. 156 ewes on Miamy's leaves 1 ewe short, 365 on
 leaves 13 ewes short. Took out the 12 rooms & put them on hill & foot.



SAT 6 Finished catching the hogs, all branded and dispersed in pastocks. Sledged in bundles of wire, staples & left over after fencing round turnips, has a cold.

Went home from Fuchlawa, met with car, brought Arthur working horse & car.

SUN 7 A heavy cold, gasping all last night, no sleep, at day-light Morn got up. Eva went in car for Doctor, came soon examined, sounded & pronounced asthma. Went home and returned with bottle of medicine, soon had an hour sleep did not stay in bed all day by Dr's orders. Morn Eva & Arthur went to Ucker.

MON 8 This day after yesterday's pain, not up too early, fed pigs, hens & eggs helped John saw log on flat and one on back for stakes to divide turnips. After tea with Morn and Eva motored to Ucker, he is looking well & feeling much better.

TU 9 John got in fence and pointed stakes, carted out wire melting, laid

and drove stakes, not enough melting. Mr. Round did some slight repairs to Car and left with Dr to do something to his. Morn & Eva pictures, fossils.

WED 10 A grey calm day, John drilled 22 rows in to for Mr. Walter & shipped to P. Higgins after dinner, left Binia then and drove felly home. Mastophed & took down wire melting from round hen enclosure at stockyard, nicely rolled up. Morn home.

Mr. Mackie sent 70 lb bag of sugar and one from J. Anderson yesterday. Killed a longtailed lamb yesterday, not very fat. Sheep returns 290 bearing over 100 lambs 20 dry ewes 12 rams. 678 sheep, but out of these sent 36 to Longburn & 13 killed for home use during the year. Morn & Eva home at 12.45 from Danm. Concert. Mr. Field with

TH 11 Windy, looking day. Not much in the forenoon whilst John finished drilling for Mr. Higgins, home for dinner. Not afterwards and windy out night. Motored Morn home. News from South of France that the Argenta's have had a fight & acquired favourably.

FR 12 A thorough wet day, nothing done except to boil potatoes for pigs, feed dogs, horses,


SAT 13 Wet day again, but of a few pounds chagan. Morn paid Anderson 4-4-0 & back 1-12-0


SUN 14 Gray calm day, Eva & Morn at 2 churches, went with them to Ucker in afternoon


MON 15 No rain until evening, finished putting up wire melting across turnips & set of sties on felly. Had at Babulhai. Miss Higgins called. After tea Morn, Grant and Grant.





A calm dull day, got in lamb off rape stalks - 20. Put 25 of them on turnips and 2 small ones on barley. Mr Todd called and payed for dipping chequid 20. For tea Misses Gordon & Grant, went to pictures with Maam and Eva. Mr Fullford son at Peterborough has passed away quietly - on Sunday, to be buried on Monday.


WED 17  The usual foggy sort of day. Altered big pig-pooling trough in buggy shed. Eva & Maam with George & Grace at Station, at night they attended a Wesley Sunday School annual meeting in Church. Mr. M. had called to pay their sheep have been disturbed by a dog from township, one drowned. John baited 20


TH 18  Made and hung gate in sheepyards. Eva Maam & George went to Tackapra to see the Beckette, back for dinner. John rode up to Ngamoko, shot 5 quails. Rain tonight

FRI 19  Rain last night and greater part of today. wind everywhere.

 Working small potatoes for pigs. We went today to Kille. John rode to Ngamoko to shoot one quail. We had 5 of them for tea. brought in half sack of turnips for pig

SAT 20  A fine day. Eva Maam & George went early to Danmerrind get car over hayrack a broken rod discovered, car left for repairs, occupants came home by train. They are at the pictures tonight. Worked all day at sheepyards. Killed a fat lamb

SUN 21  A fine sunny day. Went with Eva in phaeton to Cam^{rs} and to Uoked. drove down. Mrs Martin up to Newwood and home again when she picked me up. Maam George Grace & Arthur drove to Alice's with jolly and buggy. Eva drove Truck. John and Argyson went to Ngamoko, got a couple of hares and a pair of quail. Yesterday when Maam & Co. entered to Danmerrind they paid £2. Sixteen \$7-0-0

MON 22  A fine dry day. John got in back sheep - 378 ewes and 29 hogglets. Put 100 ewe hogglets on oats. Cribbed 126 ewes & put them back on Back 20 about 70 in shed tonight, remainder in shed paddock, picked out the hogglets 30 and put in one row for tonight. ewes in good condition and look well. Mr. A. Wallace for dinner - sawwood sale. Leslie Campbell here tonight, discharged from Trantham. Good breeze tonight, ground will soon dry.

TU 23 A drying breezy day. 227 crutched today, 300 on Back. 27 Reserve's in shed tonight makes the number of ewes put on Back at dipping time correct. Eva put 30 bags on turnips. 50 there now. She put on the ewe cots & enclosed Reserve sheep. All sheep crutched so far branded &. Albin & Charlie called.

WED 24 Crutched the last of the Back sheep and Eva got in Hughes 100 & crutched them. Put 70 on Hughes to remain there, remainder in Reserve for the present. Heavy rain in the afternoon stopped us from bringing in Midway's sheep.

TH 25 A thorough wet day. Morn Eva & George crutched to Paterick's. Content sent off to 7 young men who have enlisted. John Green & Leslie attended.

FRI 26 A light rain in the morning. Meat nearly done, must kill a lamb or a pig. boiled water in wash house copper and 2 kerosene tins on kitchen fire enough for scalding a medium sized pig. a very good scald, scraped him in a few minutes, hanging tonight in buggy shed. Mr Olson called about chaff. Sent A. W. News to G Armstrong Esq. No 9 St Columbus Road Whitworth Road Dunes Conna Dublin Ireland. News of terrible slaughter of Germans at battle of Verdun. French hold their own so far, and seem to be able to keep them back. The enemy prepared to sacrifice 200,000 men in the taking of Verdun.

SAT 27 But up pig. 129 lbs weight, put in salt in bag trough. John found one cast on Back, would never get up. Morn Eva & George back from Tokoro havi ^{new cow}


SUN 28 Dull calm day. Went with Morn Eva & George. Charlie can hard to start. Dr. Collins


MON 29 A wet day. From drove Leslie to Crut's station. Eva went to get sheep in to kill one. Rubbed bacon. boiled pigs/potatoes. John shot a rabbit. Mr. S. Grant called


TU 30 Another thorough wet day. Eva took George in shadow to meet express for Wellington. Mr. Round for tea. borrowed at cow, made it easier to start. John shot two good for dog tomorrow


WED 31 No rain today, calm, no drying. Got in sheep off cots and killed a lamb. all cots sheep fat. Put the 12 ewes in "little orchard" with hay in a rack. enclosed them so find if they will take to it. Yards wet and muddy. Grass growing

JUN 1 A thorough wet day, at a short interval John carried three firwood across gully in far safe paddock, firwood here nearly done & paddocks saturated and plow away. Sent letter #1 enclosed to Manager Monahan Experimental farm for seed potatoes - Uplite dates & Gamekeepers.



JUN 2  Only a few light showers today, dressed the outchings, lake not full. Seven skin on top. John took it to station and phoned to Wm's & Kettle. He afterwards got in a little firwood and saw 2 young rabbits on 19th. Eva can't start car, but in beautiful slaughter continues at Kerani. Hens laying all they know. French confident


JUN 3  Frost last night, grass white this morning, fine day. John & Eva half day trying to get car to go, managed it at last. I took left his gig & pony home until Monday. John took half a ton of chaff - 14 sacks up to A. Olsen's beyond Nye factory. News of a navy battle in North Sea where the British according to present accounts has lost more ships than the Germans, but accounts only vague at present. Pictures today


JUN 4  Frost again, grass white, sunny day. Eva & C. motored to Nyamoko, contacted John Jorgensen & mate for an outing, met them at night & brought in for tea. After went to Ucker. Eva & C. Hunt's & Ella motored to Vaughan, no one at home. At night Mr. Round going home from Eva's called to enquire about car. All cars found before this frosty weather. Four hours to start car, two hours for another one. Chimney brought on fire, straw & other rubbish came down into fireplace, must be old birds out



JUN 5  A nice calm day. The account from head quarters concerning the North Sea Great Naval battle not so bad as that given on Saturday last. Although the loss on the British side is great that on the Germans is greater, would be immaterial if they had not as usual ran away. John delivered the second half ton of chaff to Anton Olsen and 14 of his empty sacks, 20 of our sacks to be returned, 8 of the full packs belong to Olsen. Got in sheep off Kildarney after dinner & outchings 57. Took out the 16 hoggats. 101 was under cover tonight, he correct number, looking well. Eva sold the empty bottles about the place for 3/4 a good price.

5 A very fine day finished crutching before dinner, put in Widdows 18 ewes branded, took sheep off Rovers oats, put some on barley and turnips. Dred 300 ewes. Hughes Hat & Rovers 179. On barley 55 hagg^{ts} & 17 old ewes. On turnips 64 hagg^{ts} On rape 68 hagg^{ts}. On meadow 23 hagg^{ts} & 2 little ones - 207 hagg^{ts} 17 old ewes. 437 breeding ewes. Letter from Mr. Skelton. Crutchings 8. 5. 18 finished 1/12 per th. 1/3 7/8. Nordbyes, C. P. Andersens and C. Halona's crutchings, sets by 11. 12. Some completed.

WED 7  A fine calm day. Bad news, Lord Alibonour but. News on board the cruiser Hampshire with his staff going to Russia and off the coast of Scotland the ship was blown up, no survivors found so far, no details as yet, a terrible blow to the Empire. I scale clipped Trinis and filly. John got in forenoon and sawmaked 3 calves and put young Holstein bull with 3 of the biggest heifers 22 months old to be left in the camp.  Even sledged gravel into yard and with Man & Co. motorcar to Mr. Thomsons. Sledged some of the sacks of chaff over to woolshed, mixed out & washed some of it.

48  John went early to ranges and came home late, brought home 3 pigeons left a hawk in a tree shot but ungettable, made a page of the crutchings in 2 sacks sewed together, shifted most of the chaff into woolshed. Shapes of Alibonour.

FR 9  Lovely day. Meland to Dannevirke. John at home, looked on at sales big prices for fat cattle, cows & heifers 9 to 12 or 13 pounds, fat bullocks more for cows 24/ and more, lambs 14/ to 20/. Got home in time to hear the sad news of Middleton Beckett's death from wounds in France. Car hard to start in Dannevirke. Round six.

SAT 10  Great weather continues, killed the second pig, good scale. Mr. Mackie came and insured the house, furniture, piano, jewelry for £ 550 total. The storms are respectively £ 550. 200. 40. 10. John took six sacks of chaff to Willie's and meant to bring back our pig, but he nor Willie were able to get him into wagon. An account reaches that that 12 men from the "Hampshire" have reached land. Morn paid Mackie bill out of an £ 8. chop yesterday, today paid Church insurance 10/6. 30/ 8. Cut up pig, took span side & bacon to Plumtree. Kept half of each here at home.  John a long day in ranges, rough up there brought home a pigeon.

Usual fine day, got in sheep off Hughes and Flat, branded put back
 2 x 70 on Hughes and 48 on flat, all looking well. Sledged gravel with
 old mare to yard and approach, John brought 2 cows from Buller's Landing & face
 On Friday last got a hundred weight of seed potatoes - Gametrees from Maramba

TU 13 ~~WED 14~~ Got in Reserve cows branded and put them back - 62 look well.
 Sledged gravel with "Chassis" to yard lane. John carted out manure
 to meadow from stockyard and gave chaff to rams in little orchard & hay.
 Russians smashing Austrians and taking numerous prisoners, guns, ammunition &


WED 14 John finished carting manure to meadow, got in lambs & old ewes of barley
 and turnips. F. Selby came with Auntie in the afternoon, picked 17 ewes
 (the total, now left, at 25/ 36 lambs at 17/ and 4 old Romney rams at 17/6 total 8)
 Put remaining lambs on barley - 40 wether lambs, 111 ewe lambs, 20 meadow, 171
 total, no ewes except those in lamb - 635. Sledged gravel with Chassis.


FR 15 Frosty again this morning, knee stiff, bathed it in hot water and pulled in Ender
 & eaten. He took the 57 sheep to Ben & Trucchia them, one even lay down on road
 we put him in express. Gave man cheque for Anderson £5. Marked £5-10 insurance
 to start on 1st August. via £5-0-6 for Church in lieu of the money gathered & spent.
 Cleaned out buggy shed and took out all pantries with a view of rebuilding another


FR 16 3 Ewes, Birthday, 18 years, fine day, frosty again. Sledged bacon and hung it
 up to coolshed, pulled bacon, pulled down part of old shed, gave chaff & handful of
 hay to sheep to 20 rams on hills, and some to hoggies on turnips. John carted wood
 and shifted hoggies off barley on to turnips. Mr. Thomson called, letter & postcard from Mr.
 Baumgart, in Egypt, also 10 cards from poor Miss Helen Decker. Sent 2 H. K. & 10 minutes

SAT 17 Easy day fine, sent Trucchia to Factory Office, saw H. M. Thomson, got telegram
 from Bert to say she or rather they are not coming today, letter to follow. John
 carting in firewood. Pulling down old shed, pictures tonight. A child in Olav's
 died today from Diphtheria. August Anderson died up country, buried in Greenwood
 the Diphtheria case was girl aged 12 years named Dammund, died in Waipuku Hoop


SUN 18 The usual pretty, sunny day. John went early to W. St. Nicholas. Got late home, lost Maam & Eva to afternoon church, then to church, coming home car came to a stand-still near Nikolai's house. Eva & Maam walked home and Eva was back with a tin of bologna and entered home, pots after her. Ella & Miss Gordon for tea after which they (you) went to Church Methodist. John home 11:30. Late in the evening.

MON 19  A cold dry day drove up to Peter's lake, sheep down. Cow not long calved & it's Jersey looking, not much to look at, wolly lambs small some poor little things 17/6. At night John went in tractor to Corn^m met Joe Datchewill & his father, had tea here, Eva staying. John drove John & father round to where his mother lives:


TU 20  Rain last night, light today. raked bacon, poured box to hold bacon. Gave chaff and bundles of hay tea with flour to hoggets on turnips. John and Eva rode up to Willies and killed one pig, prepared ready to bring home tomorrow.

WED 21  A rough day, breezy, a few showers, worked at old shed. Got cheque of £18-3-1 sent or rather Bank slip for that amount from Wm. & Willie for sale of crutchings. Also gave cheque for 36 lambs at 17/6. 4 then same at 17/6, 18 da was at 25/6, August 25-7-0 sent to Bank this afternoon. John & Eva brought pig from Willies and cut up, salted and put in trough in woodshed, weight 145 lbs. fat enough. Horses eat great deal of chaff. School closed again for 3 weeks. Diphtheria again broken out, 2 or 3 families affected.

TH 22 A fine day - the shortest in the year. Did some to the old shed & arranged a main upright for doorway, with Chassis. John & Eva grubbing out half water turnips. Maam & Eva at a concert in 4 Hall in aid of King's windows and orphans in England.

FR 23  A thick fog, then rain. Got in all hoggets, killed small fat lamb about 30 lbs weight. Got in some ewes off Kidge, one ewe has bearing come, just back, 2 stitches, laid up both hind legs for an hour, disinfected, parturition about 8 o'clock, laid blue in shed tonight.

The snow rises etc. at the same hours on the 21st, 22nd & 23rd of this month. 7:50 a.m. sunrise to 2:30 p.m. & set.

SAT 24  A thorough wet day. Eva & Maam met God, Bayle & Betty at train, all well. John gave chaff & hay to hoggets. Got in ewe of Kidge bearing too long down. Killed her. Eva & Maam at pictures. Sent Pass Book to Union Bank.



A thorough wet day. All hands stayed inside, burnt big back-legs.

Youngsters rushing about and making things fly. Rubbed bacon, set a sheep pen

MON 26

Rain last night and this forenoon. Robert near fence was broken down & gone.

TUE 27

Haggie allowed to go from turnips into angle rape paddock. One ewe found

WED 28

in scrub on Back. Grace in bed today, ear and teeth aches no sleep possible.

TH 29

Mam Eva Bert & Betty went to Dawsonville fine day. Sent cheque £6. 5. 6

FRI 30

to Mr. Round to settle his bill of £4. 5. 6. John skinned ewe found dead on

SAT 1

Back yesterday. Skinned slates & netting and took in a square of green turnips

SUN 2

A fine calm day. John & Ted took 2 fat cows to Makotahi sale

MON 3

big red cow and Hagju. Both were sold. Price fetched £9. 17. 6. Hagju £8. 16. 0

TUE 4

Printed some buttons and sewed them between slates in wire netting fence, turnip paddock

WED 5

All the haggies on newly fenced turnip patch. Rubbed bacon, washed hanging fleeces

TH 6

Another wet day. No work done except to carry in backlogs. Will come by

FRI 7

express. Eva & Bert met him. Mollie brought in with some bull calf. They look well

SAT 8

A dark dull day. John & Ted made a start to stump on Flat. Alice &

SUN 9

Charlie called. Sent A. H. News to P. A. wrote cheque for Mam for £2. change at

MAKOTHI

Mackies. Worked at old shed. Will & Eva worked at car. Ted in paddocks up till now

JULY 1916

SAT 1

A thorough wet day. grounds saturated. rubbed bacon, fed horses (plenty chaff)

SUN 2

Sea day. plenty of meat, fed hens on boiled potatoes & oats. they also get

MON 3

swill and scraps, 4 or 5 laying out of 25 or more. A car load of our people went to see

TUE 4

the pictures as usual, but picture man did not come this dark wet night, paid 5/-

WED 5

to Newling's butcher for pounds of beef. sent Will another lamb early next week.

TH 6

A rain today. Moved to Vachel with Mam Eva Will Gerl Dajil & Betty.

FRI 7

Anniversary of our marriage. Forgot how many years must have past.

SAT 8

Sent to Hal Daisy Cassi Wallington for 1 cow and 2 sheep. cows £12. 12. 3

SUN 9

Paid W. Dr. Thomson for mending Mollie's & G. G. Peders & ten D. Day. John skinned hog on turnips

MON 10


On Sat 5. Paid from W. G. Kettle for shares and on goods purchased 2/- per cent £5. 16. 6


TUE 11


almost a wet day. All houses at fishery being tonight.


John Will & Ted went to the ranges pigeon shooting. Shot all they saw — will
 Ben took them up and met them with car. Marn & Co met Beckett's at Omiⁿ Station.
 Rode Truxis over back, feed fair as far. Rec^d fat cow cheque from Farmers Co. \$16.19.5


Wattle flowers out early. Children brought in branches yesterday in flower.


 A fine day. A clearing out to Pakowhai sin of them gone. A man
 and a girl called with a "fire extinguisher". Bought one pair him cheque \$1.0.6
 gave chaff to the rams, paid a hoop of one & put him out into Wairarapa. Worked
 at shed for a bit. John worked on flat and gave chaff & hay to hoggie on turnips
 At night Joseph Wilson called & left his punctured bike in shed. Good news
 from Thout these last few days. British & French on the offensive, do great work.

 A fine day after a pretty night. John stamping on flat and took
 roof off old buggy shed, made chaff trough with 3 heavy long boards for
 hoggie on turnips. Alice & Charlie came, she gave some eggs to Ted. Last tonight

 A fine calm day, whecks judge of milchings and bundles of skins to yard
 and C. Schmidt took them to Omiⁿ. John put 12 cows off flat on to
 Hughes. Got on hoggie off turnips and killed one, none fat, put a few on green turnips
 to allow for horse killing. Put's poor ones in mounds. Letter to W^m Beattie. Paper to M^r Warren

 Ted left this morning for home. John drew him to catch & select train. Took
 down weather boards off old shed. Good accounts from Sam these last 4 or 5 days.




Allies going great work. Russians going strong and taking many prisoners. British to
 A fine drying day rode up to M^r Granite, had a paper filled in
 behalf of M^r Beckett. After dinner went in phaeton to Uncle's and brought
 them their bacon to hang. M^r Tho^s Hastings and Florey show. Mary also. John
 brought out chaff to hoggie, they eat him eagerly, will eat a subful daily

 Light rain forenoon. John posted M^r Beckett's letter and got good news
 from M^r Beckett. gave chaff to hoggie etc. Marn & Ben arrived from Pakowhai at
 midday. Worked in the afternoon at shed. Breezy tonight. tarpaulin over car

Shifted slates and wire netting on turnips, gave hogg^s a sack of chaff and
 a fresh square of swedes. At shed in the afternoon, blue stamping. Cucklings 12^{1/2} parts
 at yesterday's sale. weight of fags, 8 - 19. *W* at practice for Concert. Mary found
 WED 13. Rain now and then during the day. wind again, pulled down part of
 roof of old shed. John went to sale, O'Brien's near Norwood, no sheep sold.
 Good accounts from front, Ellis on offensive. Huns pushed back in all directions
 TH 14. A few days ago 8 covers arrived from Wellington. C. Schmidt boy left
 them here. 1 cow cover for Molly. 1 for Finnie. 1 for Katie. all good ones
 Right rain half the day, pulling down old shed. John stamping & blowing on flat
 FR 14. *W* took down the east of the old shed, removed sheep pen battens, stowed
 underneath on awning & spread it on front. John stamping on flat. *E*ia rope cut
 to turnips and fives that hogglets will require chaff and hay tomorrow. *A*pproaching
 SAT 15. Another wet day, light gale part of day. John put hogg^s on rope, paddled. *P*aterson
 SUN 16. Intermittent rain & breeze all day & night. *J*iff Home got a spell in bed nearly
 the whole day. Cow Molly has got new cover also Finnie's fully. In one case, no one went.
 MON 17. Rain until midday. John gave chaff to hogglets and helped *D* Mac to
 bring his two hieps to Norwood sale, fetched good prices, shot them for dogs. *E*ia rehoused
 TU 18. No rain today. Got in hogglets, killed one ♂, weighed 89 lbs warm with head on.
 She went in shed paddock for a change, a day or two, now badly recovered. *C*ud
 worked at shed, put in houseblack's w. John on flat. *M*ason paid bills out of £ 6 -
 cheque, L. Whimpey 1 - 9 - 0. D. H. Common 12/6. J. Bardlett 4/6. J. Mackie's £ 1 - 10 - 7
 A Helen a net at home to settle with and I Keale not seen to pay for a clipping
 WED 19. Sunshine today. Hogg^s put back on turnips. John gave them hay & chaff
 and skinned dead hogg^s. *M*aged out all manure from old shed and
 spread it on front. *M*iss Gordon & Grant for tea and ping pong afterwards.
 TH 20. *W*ice day. *M*om Aie to Downsville, took 3 lady passengers who paid 18/6
 worked at shed. John took out chaff hay. A *C*lam sent cheque for chaff £ 5 - 0 - 0.
*J*iff & *K*ettle's cheque some days ago for Miss 22 - 10 with, not cheque but Bank slip







Another nice day. Mr. Lee organizes for Dr. Barnard's Rescue Home called, had an interview with Eva about collecting funds etc. Informed as that 1000 of those rescues & brought up in the Home are now in the Navy and at the Front. All but John went to Darmenwike, had a look on at pale good sheep fetched big prices. At night Eva sang at Concert for John





FRI 22    A fine calm day, worked at shed, John on flat, Eva rode round paddocks, gave chaff to hoggels. Miss & Charlie came, borrowed 2 cut wire and hay knives. Mr. Grant at Diamond³ passed out at the age of 85 years.


SUN 23 Motored with Eva to Ulock's. Mann returns at home. At night Eva sang at Church



MON 24 John took in a fresh price of turnips & carted out chaff. A fine spring day.



  Went to Mr. Grant's funeral. Eva & Mann stayed at Ulock's. At night Eva at rehearsal. Account Sales 11⁰⁰ Skells. 13 skins & 2-10 cut. 207⁰⁰ on 4/6. Rec^d Bank slip. 3 hogg^s 12/3.



TU 25   Rainbow in the morning. Rough day, in the afternoon got in turnips hoggels, picked out 40 ewethers & some ewes for Makulaka Lake. Tuesday for dinner.



 John found hoggel in creek nearly drowned. Staged home, at kitchen fire tonight **WED 26**    In the half grown lamb not able to stand yet. John & Mr. M^r Lee took the 40 hogg^s to Make³ Lake & M^r occurs, better fetched 35/6 hogg^s - 22/6 for Eva at rehearsal. Mann & Co to Darmenwike she enquired about a 40⁰⁰ section. Sold yesterday to M^r O'Holliman



TH 27 Showers & wind  Eva saw a cow in Rissow with twins, 1 was rain tonight.

FR 28   A single on Hughes. Willy's dinner for dinner, motored back with him to factory Annual meeting was excellent. D^r P^rck's bonus 241-16. All but water at concert, to raise funds for Harry Widows & Orphans. Eva takes part, sent there 13-8-0. Mann sent birds ^{at} 13-8-0

SAT 29   Very fine day. Eva through paddocks, twins on Beach, a single Hughes. Pictures ^{at} Killip's farm

SUN 30   Much part, John & gun to Willy's dinner. Ride over paddocks, 6-9. found one dead on Ridge ^{two lambs}

  Eva pledged down & shivers, pair of twins to Ulock's in afternoon. John bag empty.

MON 31 Dry calm day. Eva rode through sheep, another pair of twins on Hughes, & other   jingles. She put a cow with twins on sale. John drilled 2 acres Ted Allhens. M^r Pagell called, wants him to drill 2 acres later on.

- Rain last night and greater part of today, raining now and likely to. John through sheep, a few fresh ones. One ewe on Widesaps with dead twins, got in a ewe off back with profusion, righted her, but requires watching. did a little to shed. Great conflagration and conflagration destruction of war commitments in Spain.
- WED 3 A wet day, no very fresh lambs. John put a ewe with twins on barley & went to try.
- TH 4 Ewes in all paddocks. Afternoon turned out cold with rain & snow coming from east & south east. Cold rain brought continuously, poor chance for a fresh-dropped lamb to be able to stand up and suck, never saw a ewe right for young lambs. Got H. D. Farmers cheque for 40 hogg, sold at flat - 22 ps - £40-10-9.
- TH 5 A very rough day & night, rain & breeze. John put a ewe lamb on woadsua battens and one with young lamb in Wellingtonia plantation. One dead lamb in Reserve; expect more, tonight rough again. Let slip go with blood.
- FR 6 Another wet day, not so bad as yesterday. John put ewe & lamb that was in shed last night out on meadow, a few new-borns & one or two dead. £48-10-9 H. D. Farmers cheque sent to Bank. Received assessment account, sum £24-0-0 new amount of land tax. Old amount of tax £18-9 twice the amount now.
- SAT 7 Fine forenoon, rain afternoon. John put twin lambs in ewe without lamb.
- SUN 8 Two ewes back at once, one tonight with a lamb panned at 3 gateways. News of floods down country and damage done, big slips, stock drowned etc. Anderson's bill of £4-12-6 paid yesterday with a six pound cheque.
- MON 9 Very heavy rain early part of last night, another pair of dead twins on Widesaps and a skin-come lamb and on Flat. 35 or 40 lambs now. No rain today. Mam drove to Church in forenoon. Afternoon all but John to Charles. Mam also church.
- TUE 10 A fine day, cleared away the rubbish that blocked the water at firewood culvert. A few more ewes with twins. John went to Dron end, with ox and carted home 2 ton of slag, and posts from house above. Williams & Little letter came to say page of catchings paid for & proceeds banked £4-12-1



Another fine day, worked at shed. Eva + John rode through paddocks. He brought from Hughes another load of posts and shifted wire netting fence, took in a fresh piece of twirps. Mr Grant + Mr Fulton called. Received cheque for £1-2-0 from Mr. Mr. Galtway for ^{wool on} 11 welly hogg^s not paid for before. He now allows me 2p per head for the wool on 11 hogg^s and 1p. exchange. Eva at a rehearsal for tomorrow night.



John rode through sheep, a few more lambs. All hands at culcut near firwood, put stringer across, 2 wires and a human, 14 ft long sheary.

Ground drying a bit but still the paddocks on wet. Mum + Eva at Concert tonight. Rain 2 or 3 times during the day. Put decking on gally culcut - willow + birch, posts one on wire slopes, stapled on 4 wires on ends. Stigger called as representative of N. D. Farmers Association. Some more lambs, one or two more sets of twins.



A fine day, worked at shed and culcut, put 3 rails on each side, 3 of them iron pipes a few more wires with twirps, 3 ewes + 4 lambs on Reserve rate, ewe with twins on barley. Killed a very good lamb, got from factory, interest in 88 shew - £1-1-2 fine night.



A fine calm spring day. Then 7 Eva to Dromedaria. Shev charged home from back a heavy old ewe bogged a bit at Popham gully, to abut not stand. Killed her, a pair of very big twins inside, a few more fresh lambs. Stigger's pair 1. For drilling some time ago, had to put old ewe on meadow right again. Pictures.




A thorough wet day and night, some more twins + singles. The ewe on meadow that required so much attention - took away pair twins, in wash house after keeping them in front of fire on packs, gave a little milk with teaspoon. Almost carried in by John from the ramps was too far gone, after trying to restore him, passed out.





on last night and this morning some on hanks. 3 lambs not able to suck or stand brought in, 3 ewes brought in with plenty of milk, many ewes with twins now. Mother looks well tonight, clear + calm. At night Misses Grant + Jordan called.




A fine dry day, ground drying up. Kilmara ewe that died in Ridge gully, had more twins put lamb on to father's mother. Eva got in firwood. Ficin in back wagon, carted weather boards from cartshed to new shed. Eva brought passover rug.



 Eva up early and rode over her paddocks before breakfast, then rode to Dealers and went with him & Mrs Kitch to Orono, they went to Wellington for holiday and she brought back ewe. Many lambs today, seem to be in the thick of it. John through them twice today. There were two lambs brought in ewe.

TH 17  A fine day, weather boarded shed on dip side. Eva carbed boards from woolshed, she also slayed gravel for latera culvert, went over paddocks with John. In the afternoon he sheared on flat and made big fire, lambing satisfactory.

FR 18 Much rain fell again today, a crowd of lambs came today on Widenup.  John & Eva brought in two motherless lambs, - 5 now, they drink well. Went to a meeting in Factory Office, only to confirm former resolution. At night all but us two went to Childrens Concert. Eva performed "Gulches For the Patriotic Election, Smith Reform 1st by 83 votes, Her 2nd Manufacture Labor 241


EAT 19 Showers all day, rain everywhere, put iron on back part of shed, but of 2 & 6  Cheya (Mam paid Mackie) £3-15-7 and Sings on £1-2-10 & Eva found a ewe dead on Hughes, a big lamb with her, John carted out chaff, stirred ewe & put lamb on another ewe with dead lambs skin. No pictures. M^{rs} Gilwintzen det

SUN 20 Very heavy rain in the early part of last night, fine afterwards and fine today. John & Eva through ewes. He brought ewe in on horseback and put lamb on her, a pair of dead twins and a single last nig. To Uncleys in the afternoon. M^{rs} M^{rs} Meeting and 2 children & Miss Schwan

MON 21  Rough last night and today the roughest for a year past. Eva found  a ewe dead in the Reserve creek up near the corner and John found one dead on back section and 5 or 6 lambs dead, one brought in weak but will not live. High wind and sheets of rain all day. The wind has gone down somewhat tonight. M^{rs} M^{rs} Fountain, J Simpson Misses Grant & Jason ^{long} for


TU 22 A cruel day on lambs, rain & wind, cold & snow, several lambs died. Some brought home dried at the fire brought round & put in ewes.


WED 23 Another rough day but not much rain, still windy. Eva found a pair of twins dead and also a single. She lambs part on the ewes. John got in a good ewe from O'Hara's with a single lamb dead, put the skin on another and she took at once; he skinned the ewe in River creek, a grand ewe & fat. Mann sent letter to Mr Baumgart, Egypt. She & Eva at Mr Teantown's tonight. John brought in from Back 10 goose eggs. Home about 12 o'clock, windy but dry.


TH 24 Breezy but dry, ground drying. A big strange cat killed two fat rabbit  this morning. John shot the cat. He shot through paddocks, lambs all night today. He shifted hoggets on to fresh turnips. Rent paid for Hughes £ 10-0-0. Mann put up his Savings Bank money - £ 4. to Mr Mann as yet £ 2-5 total - £ 8-5-0


FR 25 A fine calm sunshiny day. Eva putting in peas in small garden. Rest on ^{early} now on shed. Not many lambs today. One/ther ewe to be fixed up. Many twins on other


SAT 26 White frost this morning, beautiful day, finished putting on even on shed roof. John in the afternoon drilled out for Mr Bagot. Killed fat lamb. Mann & Eva pictures. Eva took Dr Kitch's mate on to Oren and met Dr Una M on their return from killing


SUN 27 Fine day. Put 3 ewes & 4 lambs on oats. Eva found another ewe dead on Hughes  She sheared her in and caught her lamb, a good ewe, put latter on a ewe that took at once; skinned ewe. All but John entered to Ormer, about the same.


MON 28  All hands up early. John got in "Duke" from Back and with Prince started to plough "Blana Hill". Duke works steadily. A few more lambs.


TU 29  A drying day. Mr Mulholland called re drizzling. Eva sheared in one found dead with twins, rote out with John & caught them, put one on ewe, the other given ^{him} to Mr. Ormond's park way clerk. Letter from Mr Baumgart, Romania, but


WED 30  A windy day. John drilled 3 acres oats for Mulholland. Worked at shed. Eva over all paddocks, took skins off 2 lambs, ewes took 3 ewe lambs, 16 more goose eggs.

TH 31 A fine day finished ploughing car shed, car in tonight. John ploughing "Duke" & "Prince".  Eva over all paddocks, 4 fresh lambs. One or two cases diphtheria near Newwood. A great amount of rain this month. Hungarian Steamers wrecked a 40 mi. by up for ^{ploughing}

 A beautiful day. Eva & Maria rode over paddocks. Eva stogged in dead wire she gave a small lamb to M. Goringykie. Pulled up slabs & rolled molting between oats & barley. John finished ploughing 100 pa hill, we docked lambs off Reserve oats. 28 ewes. 29 ewe lambs. 25 wether lambs good condition & ticks. Put up wire molting yard on turnip paddock for docking back lambs and washes board small catching yard. Eva brought in basket full of goose eggs. Manager of Union Bank wrote for one to send my New Book. Book sent today.

 Another fine day. Mustered back ewes & lambs, got them into temporary yards without much trouble, Eva helping. Willy Toxibow for dinner and after helped us. We docked 242 lambs. 261 ewes, many to lamb still, one lamb in yard, we put her & lamb into Hughes, not counted. 3 left behind when mustering not counted. ²⁶⁴ ~~261~~ ^{Back all ewes.} gave a sackful of chaff to hoggats on turnips, they are very eager for it. All but "we two" at pictures tonight.

SUN 5  A beautiful day. John & Eva over paddocks, saw no motherless lambs after yesterday's docking, saw on any freshly dropped ones, a ewe with twins on oats. Mam & Eva at Morning Church and at Uncle's in afternoon. At Presbyarian at night.

MON 14 A fine forenoon, breezy afternoon. John drilling 2 1/2 acres for Goringykie.  a hoggat on turnips found by Eva. Dressed off lambs & rabbits with Mam & Arthur on Hill. Packed up to township, called at Grants. Paid M. M. J. for manure 1/2 0/0.

TU 5 A summer day. Got in Flat sheep 60 ewes. 50 lambs. Midwinters 144 ewes 186 lambs docked. Only one tick seen so far. Total lambs docked so far 482 and 497 ewes.

WED 6 A breezy day. Got in ewes & lambs off barley & maddock docked 24 w 19 e lambs 26 ewes. Off Reserve 31 ewes 11 w 17 e lambs. Turnips 6 ewes 4 lambs - six & five. Got in Hughes 66 ewes (7 left out with young lambs) 30 w 35 e lambs. Put 10 weth hoggats out of the mob into Hughes. A great advantage to ewes & lambs, dry yards & no ticks. Number of ewes so far 633 and 629 lambs docked. Some ewes to lamb, some lambs in the paddocks to young to dock for some time. Mam & Eva at Allis today.

20th Every day dry now. Put in a row of potatoes in house garden, our own seed. Shifted nesting on turnips, John ploughing "Cragh flat." Morn & Eva took lambs. Alice the ewe that was tied up yesterday has twins today, she seems all right. Morris born.

21st A fine calm day. At 4-30 a very heavy shower fell which was required. Put in 3 rows of potatoes, 1st row "Garnet King" sweet too rows, home-paired seed. **22nd** got a little artificial manure. Killed a hogget for home use. Eva shodged in a good ewe that died in Rowan, could find no reason, left good our land.






23rd A fine day after yesterday's rain none of which reached Rowan. John drilled Currants oats - 1/2 acre. Morn paid Andersons bill with cheque £5-0-0. **24th** Eva & Morris through ewe & lambs, they fetched a home with 3 bags from Hagher dead hogget, skinned & buried same also ewe shodged home yesterday. Put in a few rows of potatoes in garden & row of peas. Morn Eva & Morris at pictures tonight.

25th Nice calm day, rain threatening. Eva & Morris over pastures, brought in a small twin. John put the lamb of the last dead ewe on a ewe with a dead lamb. Morn & Eva at afternoon church. Rev. Whibley preached, at Pakenhall at night, this afternoon, rather heavy rain fell, this will do much good without having more.

26th A very fine day, sawed some logs with John on flat, he ploughed after dinner. Worked in garden, put in a row of "Garnet King" seed potatoes, the row put in before which was supposed to be "Garnet King" was home-paired seed. Put in a row of parsnips and one of carrots also a little shrub out. Morn & Co. went to see Mr W. M. Thomson, wrote to Murray Roberts & Co. about manure.

Eva brought in a very small motherless lamb. Doctored 2 pullets, this one was 631 cackled.

27th A good growing day. John drilled 1/2 acre or so for Higgins & Hallis. Finished the garden for the present, put in a few rows of parsnips & "Garnet King" potatoes. Eva brought in a shivering motherless lamb, very weak, 4 now, 2 good & 2 weak ones. Morn paid Mackies bill of £2-7- with a cheque for £2-10. Some rain fell, a spring shower. Grass in front just making itself notice-ably a green carpet.

- 3 Arthur's Birthday. 3 years, strong and healthy. A breezy day and at night extra high wind. Methodist tea-meeting but all hands frightened to go out. Eva found 2 doctored lambs dead, wool balls inside. John found one dead on Back, caught in a lawyer, her lamb close by, put a skin on him & the one took. Good accounts from Front. Pussies and British French & Roumanian are driving enemy.
- TH 14  A dreadful high wind last night. Gunfire in second draining yard blown down. Spent greater part of day, chopping and passing it up.
- FR 15  A fall of snow last night, ground white with midday. Youngsters snow-balling each other. Eva made a snow mass. John rode over paddocks and carted out hay and chaff to hoggets. Doctored a lamb a few days ago - 632.
- SAT 16  A fine spring day after the snow. Sowed and split blown down gum tree, a good heap of pinewood. Carted branches to heap at woodshed. Pictured
- SUN 17 A fine day. Eva brought in a doctored motherless lamb. John pulled wool off the mother of the lamb on the back. Went to see Uncle, Mam Eva Auntie Ella Ben & Arthur motor'd to Laughans, but at home. Yesterday my Mother's Birthday. Born 1808.
- MON 18 A growing day, calm and warm. Eva found 2 dead doctored lambs. John finished ploughing single paddock. Mr. M. Giboray called. H. Montech with him in care. Sprayed fruit trees in garden. Tompkin paid. £1-10 chg
- TU 19  A very fine day, sorted all the potatoes in woodshed. Kept 2 sacks of eating potatoes and one sack of seed for ourselves. Sold a sack of eating and some seed to A. Blue. In the afternoon Mr. Grant & family came. All hands worked over to turnips & about the paddocks gave chaff to hoggets. Favorable news from the War. Ham driven back.
- WED 20  A fine day, a bit breezy. All hands and Arthur planting potatoes in rape paddock. The island corn ploughed. Put hoggets off turnips into the 4 acres at Hughes - 102. Got in meadow hay. 7 & killed good one. Mr. Whibley called in my absence. Put in a row of carrot seed in kitchen garden. Although the weather is fine the grass seems backward. Stock in good condition.

TH 20 Put ewes & lambs off turnips into Flat, shinned 2 dead sicked lambs for days meat and Eva found 2 more, one on Ridge and a very big one on Back. - 6 she brought in 8 tubercles and Lantier with young heifer calf. John drilling for 300

FR 21 A real fine day. Put ewes & lambs off Flat back on turnips. Eva found nothing wrong today. John drilling for Friday. Painted one of ew sheds w. S. P. can

SAT 22 Went with Eva out to turnip paddock with boards to replace those we wanted to bring home from temporary yards. Put ewes & lambs off turnips on to Flat.

did some painting re to ew sheds. Eva found a dead sicked lamb and saw three new cowers. Master Barclay took away Willie cow & calf. John finished drilling for the three nights was down the road. Then Eva & I to pictures, latter interested in

SUN 23 A very fine day. After dinner went to see Peter Ahanson at home. He is able to walk and improving. Mam Eva & Miss Ganaway coming from Church picked me up and we went on to Uncle's. he is not so well as he was last week. John put the hoggets off the 2 acres at Hughes into the turnips. so got with ewes.


MON 24 A calm close day. John started to plough the 2 acres. Jorgensen with him at the start. Hedged out 3 sacks of chaff to hoggets. Hedged big trough and some boxes to high ground on turnips. Mam then at Dr's & turnip


TU 25 Fog and light rain in the morning. Mam gave big heap of birds and leaves to ewes woolshed. big net to birds to rest. John ploughing. Jorgen helping


WED 27 Fog and light rain again this morning. John Grace & Arthur went in waggon to Hughes. Jorgensen ploughing too. He fetched home some turnips. Eva brought home big dead sicked lamb & 7. Put skin on a job, ewe with on teat only took at once, very fond. letter from Mr. & Bauwgart on sea. Eva at Jennie's milking and put all right


TH 28 Painted boards. Showers, good growing day. John & Jorg ploughing, pair of turnips dead. Eva


SAT 30 A through out day, much up. John put 2 heifers and 1 steer on turnips. they look well. Mam Eva & two Mr. Grants ordered to Danmowicks, gave 24 shogun. Got 2 wheel cows from C. Nelson. John ploughing the 2 acres at Hughes. Grass coming on, a great number of bees to pasture


 Rain in the morning and rain at night. Afternoon at Uchida he is looking
and feeling well. One Mr. Low called and tonight has service in Newcastle, West with his


MON 2nd  Rain again in the forenoon. Afternoon all except John ordered to Grants
New Mr. M^r and little Ronald Grant. John & George finished ploughing at Hughes
Lava through wire slams saw a ewe with a single. Saw of many killed & wounded.


TU 3rd  Anniversary of my landing in Wellington from New South Wales
after a ten days voyage from Newcastle in the collier ship Wellington. wrecked two
years afterwards in Cooks straits with other craft, beating whilst I was on her.
Went with John to Landa and docked his lambs, all good, over 100 per cent, fine day.


WED 4th  A dull calm day, but the 2 ton of basic slag out of yards shut up to
washed, tipped out what was lumpy and pounded it to a fine state again, it got
damp lying in the shed, worked at front of car shed. John dicing. Eva ordered Dr
Vitch to Owen and on his way to Wellington expecting to go to Camp. I killed

TH 5th  Another cool calm cloudy day. Dr Vitch in Wellington, goes into Camp
later on. Eva and Mr. motoring in Dr's car. Mr. H Grant wife also Ronald & Mr.
P. G. Grant called in the afternoon. Worked at shed painting etc. John dicing;
Chas Schmidt & Son bought 2 tow rope in anura 22 bags - £15. 76 lbs rope used - £3-2-3
two bags holding rope used 1/2. 16 wool packs at 1/4 each (4/4) = 1/3 - 1/4 - 5. time 2 bands 9/6
A bill from C. L. Neilson for 2 U.S.A covers 30 x 34 = £8-10. Donbald's bill 7/6 Common 1/6


FR 6th  Dull cloudy calm day, painting on at shed. Eva called improved from Dr Vitch's
also the big black dog, and afterwards 6 cans of benzine. She ordered Mr Vitch
to visit a few neighbours who are ill. She and Mam at a small gathering at
Mr Vitch's tonight, there is also a send off to some young men who have on listed
killed the last of the Southdown hogs for home killing. Docked 4 lambs 686 lbs


SAT 7th  Yesterday "Donbald" was brought in with a red white high calf. £21-15-11
cheque sent to Williams & Keith. to C. L. Neilson cheque for £8-10-0. to J. Mackie £2-1-0
out of which was paid to D. H. Common 1/6 and C. M. Clarke 7/6. Eva met Dr with his car
at Common's - Rain fell nearly all day. John with six and 3 hours. No picture tonight


 Another fine day, cool calm & cloudy. Eva & Mam at afternoon Church. brought back Mr. Markholland Miss M. Penderon and Miss Henry Grant. Met Mrs. Markholland home and then on to see Uncle. Dr. Fitch called & said good bye. After tea Eva & Mam & the two young ladies motored to Church. New caps arriving.


MON 9  A nice day, rain again threatening, none came. Eva made 2 trips to Doctors for benzoin, she carted home here 182 cases, paid cheque to Mr. Fitch £21. - Motored Mr. Fitch & Mam to Commandant's back home. Dr. went to Palmerston.



Mam Eva & John at a circus in Rosewood tonight. For Mr. Curran's called tonight.

TU 12  A thorough wet day. Eva motored Mr. Fitch to 9.30 train for Wellington, and then at 1 o'clock took old couple Curran's to Danversville accompanied by Henry his son. Mam went also and took a cheque for £5. to make purchases. John drove his fox off.


WED 1  Light rain nearly all day. Mam & Co visited Mr. H. M. Thomson. John went out shooting with "Bully". latter pointed out the game for him. Shot rabbit and 2 hares. Eva & Mam gone to Ngawaka tonight to concert. Not much rain.


TH 12  Rain greater part of day. Mam & Co attended Red & meeting in township. Mr. Walsh called to say a ewe dead at Hughes. John skinned & brought meat.


FR 13  A fine day at last. Got in Flat ewe lambs, docked 3, makes 639. Eva & Mam at Mr. Higgins. Yesterday paid Mackie's bill £5. 1 with cheque to


SAT 14  A second fine day. John & Eva mustered back ewes & lambs into the the  wire netting temporary docking yards, docked 83 lambs. 270 ewes counted out. This makes a total of 692 lambs docked. Shifted netting and stakes down to barley to divide it off from the oats. Paid with a cheque for £4 - S. Andersons bill. Back ewes thin but prospects look promising. Pictures tonight.


SDN 15 A fine day. Afternoon at Uncle's. Mam Eva & John at Langhams. Filled Census Paper.

MON 16  A windy day. Eva & Mam motored to Danversville, took Mr. Pagett in car. Mr. Reper called for Census paper. After dinner mustered Hughes, docked 17, now 709. Left Painter Olsen's ewe lamb in shed for him. John driving the 4 cases. Painted front of long shed. Splendid grass on road. 2 cows out for a while and "Treckie"

 A very fine day. Eva got six Reserve sheep - 51 ewes, docked 7 lambs, got in Midwinters = 135 and docked 6 lambs, the last of the season. Total lambs docked 722. John harrowing at Hughes. At night trooper James Simpson & Eth Grant called.


WED 16  A fine morning, but it turned out a rough windy afternoon. Fenced on 14 pieces of ground (13/4) 5/8 per foot, on back of chaff shed, locks at joints ought to be solid, John drilled in rape on the 4 1/2 acres at Hughes. Mr. Ch. Fortkelson came in the afternoon, had a look at the young harts. Windy now.


TH 19  Windy forenoon, calm afternoon. Put heifers off turnips on to back. Gave chaff to hoggets and drove stakes between oats & barley. John drilling angle paddock. Bought a piece of beef at butchers cart for the first time for many years. Moon & Eva just gone with sandwiches to a send-off to Schimpf on Willy Hansent.


FR 24  Started for Patowhai with Eva & Mam. Paid M. Simpson's bill with £ 5 cheque. Stayed at the inn for tea & cake. Cold day. John finished drilling rape at evening.


SAT 21 A good deal of rain last night. Today we went to Hastings & at night to Kapiia Keteau.

SUN 22 A fine day. Eva in bed all day, sick with head-ache. All stayed at home today.

MON 23  All but Will left for home here, a fine warm forenoon. Fannie starts shearing. Had tea & cake in Kapiawa house before 3 pm. John drilled 5 acres of oats for Mr. Walker.

TU 24  A busy day. Mr. Walker borrowed hammers & filly and harrowed his oats. John started to plough turnip paddock. Put ewes & lambs off Flat on to Hughes with the other ewes & lambs so as to give the Flat a short spate, a big one at Hughes now. Put the hoggets and 2 cows into Barley paddock for a few hours and then put the hoggets back on turnips, not much more now. Sledged a bit of gravel with Oussie and the manure from woolshed to cartshed. Eva Mam Gert & Betty went to A. Lewis.

WED 25  A growing day, not much wind. Hoggets on oats from 9 to 5 o'clock, and the 2 cows also. Sledged all manure away from woolshed and watered shed floor, John ploughing with Duke & Prince. Filled Registration Orchard paper.

 A turkey hen with 8 eggs, 2 died being set on, 3 died second day. Several geese out on eggs for weeks, no goslings, no eggs fertile. 2 gamans. 7 geese.

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R 2 A fine calm day. Put hoggets on & off barley, turnips about done.

Basil and Arthur with me when putting cows & hoggets on barley, but them for a while, from a sheep chasing a lamb flat side of fence, cow on back. M. W. I leaving buyer for the H. D. Farmers Meat Co called, took in show, paid cheque £20. 5. 9. John ploughing. A send off for Tony Blom tonight in F. Hall. Eva & Mam home.

PR 27 A very fine day, head up potatoes in garden etc. Eva & Bert walked through cows & lambs, found 2 cows east on back, one not long, the other old cow was dead when I went out for her with shears, a good skin. Eva Mam Gert & three youngsters went to Dannewicks. I Smith left hogg' in yard, took away early today.










BAT 28 This is the great day in Australia in which the question of conscription is to be decided by vote. Worked in garden, put in parsnips beet & potatoes. used basic slag and superphosphate, wanted the drills in which the different kinds of manure is used. dug out all docks etc. John drilled for Ted Arthur & Freddie & Gorgie. Mam Gert & Co visited at P. G. Grants, we at pictures tonight.








SUN 29 Another fine day. Put hoggets on barley, turnips no longer any use. Mam Eva and Gert at Church. Afternoon at Uno's. Went with F. Jolly & his driver to farm in charge of B. Rigger, walked over paddocks, a nice farm, went on to Adamsons in Westkopia and back. Our cows in Kijas today, law sooner to start.


MUN 30 A calm growing day, ground snowed in interior, roads over paddocks shifted was lambs off Hughes on to Flat. Went to 1st Sale of Lion & Moran Co in new yards, Newwood, big entries, big prices, big crowd £14. 5. 0


Demand for land tax came today, to be paid by 22nd Nov. John ploughing. Gert and bairns left by express 3.00 PM. Eva Mam to Emerald etc. Put in row of peas in home garden. Conscription not carried in Australia. A blow

TU 31 Mam & Eva on road to Dannewicks. Car being overhauled greater part of day. Some showers, cold evening, ploughing nearly finished by Westkopia rollers & of our cows & lambs on road. I Hutchinson brought them in. Berman & other barn calls finished in garden except to replant where Manuhaki potatoes piled & rolled.


- TH 1**  A good growing day. Planted potatoes in garden where Mamahaki seed failed. Eva rode over paddocks. Painter Olsen came in the evening. Wants John to drill 4 acres of rape, will try to get some more else. Sent letter to Manager, Mamahouki State Farm & sample of failed seed potatoes.
- TH 2**  Put in carrot and mangold seed in shady place in garden, doubtful if they will come to anything. Garden now finished, worked at dips. John has finished ploughing the 6 acres. Eva & Mamma at a Red & smelting. Douglas here.
- FR 3**  A fine day and a good shower at milking time. John at Selkirk Show. All hands but one saw him off at Ormonde - and met him & Buddie at my Red over paddocks and cleaned up workshop and removed sacks boxes etc. Eva with the dog over turnip ground. Got rates Deacons £14-10-6 and £1-10-10
- SAT 4**  Turnip fine. Painter Olsen interviewed John about drilling. Rape coming up, seems too thin. Afternoon wet, a great deal of rain fell. Sledged in chips and firewood off flat. Pictures tonight. Eva & Mamma here.
- SUN 5**  A fine morning. Shower of rain fell, creek up in half an hour. Went to Un. John took hogg off barley paddock - quite bare in shed paddock tonight. Fast likely.
- MON 6**  A fine day. Put ewes & lambs off flat into Hughes. Eva distring. Painter Olsen came with his horse and John used it in drill with the filly and drilled 5 acres at Olsons. Put hoggets on oats in Reserve except 40, ten of which I shorn this afternoon & put on Redges. 30 in shed tonight. Fair condition.
- TU 7**  A calm dull day. Shorn & branded the 40 hogs in shed last night. Put them out on Back and rode over all paddocks. John borrowed Walker's mare, he & Eva distring harrowing etc. A letter from Wabie Baumgart.
- WED 8**  A fine day. John drilling and Eva rolling 1/2 in 5 acres. Had the potatoes in rape paddock. Over seed sown ones look well. Mamahaki fine.
- TH 9**  Rain today, not enough to stop Eva & John from finishing sowing & rolling the 5 acres of rape. Repaired the culvert in Reserve gully. Eva practicing


-  A dull cloudy day, a little rain in the evening, John ploughing the barley paddock. Put in a row or two of cabbage plants. Eva lifted 2 cows.
- SAT 11  The usual grey drizzle, rain threatening day. Worked at dip. John ploughed Eva went begging for Dr Bernard's Home. Got up in one hour. Pictures.
- SUN 12 A wintry day, some rain. Afternoon entered to Uxbridge, He as usual.
- MON 13  More rain greater part of day. Mam took left for Palmerston by 8 o'clock. Rain, left car in Uxbridge shed. Eva gathered 29p for Dr Bernard's fund made the amount up to two pounds by giving her a cheque for £2-0-6 which she sent today to H. L. Lee Secretary Wellington. Gave a cheque for £1-0-6 to Mabel Thomson, another subscription list in aid of widow & children of Noble, a soldier killed in France. John found a dead cow on Ridge, shifted ^{the} cow & lambs off Hedges into Flat. Mr. Thurburn called, enquired wanted flats.
- TUE 14  Very heavy rain fell today. John skinned cow brought in forenoon. Mam & Eva came back from Palmerston in Doctor's Car, one car stuck in gorges, careful drivers. About 4 PM Mr. Hunter came, went with him over to Walters and through new house.
- WED 15 73rd  Wednesday. A fine day, a shower in the evening. Motored all round by Garfield and home by Patterson pass, down to Ormond & after we picked Eva up here, called at Nicholson's and at Dentons. Came back with Eva in our car which was left in Hedges shed on Monday last. This evening again another subscription list for Belgians by Eva. Gave £1-1-0.
-  Another hogget on Plover oats has a lamb, this is the 5th so far, may be more. Returns for 21 skins & 7 lbs dead wool = £7-14-10, wool 10% skins from 9/6 to 13/ per lb.
- TH 16  A rough wintry day, rain in the forenoon. Wrote cheques for £14-0-0 and Mam paid Mackies bill, Anderson's, and C. Schmidt's money in hand. Another hogget on the oats has a great single lamb. Eva gathered for the Belgians today again. Mr. M. Reid called with his gig & left one of our lambs that was on his place. A letter from A. Sussak asking me to let him know when I master as one of his sheep is amongst our ewes on Back. A wintry night.


 Got in hoggets off Reserve oats when shown, no days good condition hoggets shown, another has a good lamb shown & several up with lamb. - 4
 have sowing barley paddock for rape. The 1st Man at a concert tonight, for School.


SAT 18  A fine calm clear day. Had up potatoes in garden & rape paddock where Monmouthshire State "Guano Kuper's" are growing and look miserable many of the seeds rotted in the ground - about one-half. Put in row of crows and soft turnips in garden where parsnips & carrots sown some time ago refused to grow. Worked at dip, afternoon. John & Eva did a harrowed, rolled and drilled rape in the barley paddock. Mr. Miss - Mr. Colman & Mr. Deacon - Mrs. Eva and Arthur going to Pictures. There is also a Circus of some sort.

SUN 19 Rain again in the forenoon. Mam Eva at Church, then we went to Uncle

MON 20  A fine day. All hands but John motored to Hughes with slates and drove them by getting to prevent snow getting underneath. Spent greater part of day dragging big logs together on flat with jolly & Pinner & logging up. Mam & Ct. motored to Alice. Mam paid Lanes tax in Post Office £ 14 - 2 - 5. Shifted ewes & lambs off Flat onto Hughes. Walkers feed in Ridge - being near

TUE 21  A fine day. With John until midway picking up rotten wood roots etc. In the afternoon worked at dip. Eva brought ewes lambs, and carted in firewood. Good New news. Allies have taken Monastir. Serbians fighting unacceptably. Bulgarians in retreat. Germans blame them for failure and pursuing away. Mam has a letter from her cousin J. Warren, Rytonstone Essex England.

WED 22  A fine day. John & Eva made a start ploughing Flat along ridge fences. Got in Reserve sheep. Show 5 hogg? & put them with those on oats. Number of ewes = 52 show 17 of them, dagg'd 35. in shed tonight, in good condition. Willy Fortisborn called. has lost "Little Cherry" died in bail. Paid John for bull &

TH 23  A dry breezy day, show ewes in shed last night, hawred and put back in Reserve = 52. Ran Whibley for dinner & Alice & Charlie. Madam's Great & Spring & Selby called coming from Coast. John ploughed in afternoon.

SUN 18

A fine hot day. John ploughing. Eva got in firewood in buck wagon. Worked at new approach to dip. Some Norway spruce young men drawn in ballot to save.

SAT 17 A good shower, laid some ballows in Dip shed. Eva thought over & carting John ploughing

SUN 16 A fine day. Eva & Mary at Morning Church. Afternoon at Mackies. He is not so well today. M^r. M^r & Mrs. Pelly New. Eva & Mary & Bruce motored to M^r. Mulholland's

MON 15 M^r. Eva John & Arthur motored immediately after breakfast to M^r. Mulholland's where Grace has a little daughter, both well. Seen at 10.30 last night. Dr arrived after the child was born. Eva shifted sheep off Haggies on to

TUE 14 Flat guarded them & picked out 15 haggies (one of these has a lamb) which we shored. There are 154 ewes on Flat now. Haggies in & skinned 14 ewes.

Yesterday W Todd took away to Ngamets the young bull bought by W. Jenkins

TU 13 Put the 15 haggies out on Ridge. took the haggies except 10 off Reserve flat in shed paddock tonight. Motored to township with Eva & Mary. basket rate 4/9 at Mackies. Eva got from I leave a ploughshare & point of iron in use broken!


WED 12 A fine day. Put 50 haggies out on back handia, one of them with a lamb. This makes 119 haggies, one on Back umborn. Bertie Engelbarten getting out roots on flat where John is ploughing. All but two motored to Mulholland's to see Grace

TH 11 A fine day. No goes out well John finished ploughing on flat. Bertie long came at 10 AM to get out roots. Got in ewes slamb off Flat. John daggged while Bertie handed up fleeces & pressed 2 bales of haggies wool. 60 fleeces in first bale, 60 in second. 38 in box to be finished. In shed tonight 35 ewes to be shorn tomorrow. No went today. butcher called, did not wait for Mary to get


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
FRI 9 Started to shorn at 6 AM. did 84 had to get them in off Flat twice all of this mob - 150 in shed tonight (74) they have 206 lambs. Sent cheque £2.0.6 to Hanson & Barr. Robinson N. Sent cheque to M^r. Rimpson for £2.10.0 to pay his bill of £2.0.9. Discount 1/4. M^r. Eva & Arthur motored to see Baby.


SAT 2 A good shearing day. Finished the rest of 158 - Flat & Hughes, brandied and put on Flat, ewes in good condition, good fleeces. 9. 10 & some 12 lbs weight. Very few good mouths amongst ewes. Mam & Eva met Miss Glassville at Orms.


SUN 3  Moved to Mr. Grant's with Mam Eva & Miss Glassville. They would have us to stay for dinner. Inspected some grounds on a lovely well kept place. Went to afternoon Church, Mr. Grant also, all came here & then from here the four ladies motored to Dannewick & said good bye to Miss Glassville. After tea the two went to P. Church. At 4 PM got in 51 ewes, dagged & have in shed tonight. dagged some lambs too. Poor Eva had a puncture in Dannewick.

MON 4 A good shearing day. Eva got in sheep off Widorups we shew 50 and dagged the remainder - in shed tonight. Eva put flat ewes lambs out on Hughes, rode over back & found 2 ewes east. I Hawghan called.

TUE 5  Finished shearing Widorups lot before dinner. Hugh Barclay picking up rolling w. Brandied 188 ewes & put back. 21 hogg's with them. John got in a cut off back. We dagged and put in shed for tomorrow 55. Mam John & Arthur went after tea in buggy to see Grace and baby. Both doing well.

WED 6  Another good shearing day. Shew 89 of the back ewes, big heavy fleeced ewes, very daggy and hard. Dagged for tomorrow & put in shed 37. Sent letter to Manager Union Bank for cheques, and to C. L. Stobson £ 5. 1. 6.

THU 7  Shew the 37 in shed last night, brandied the rest to 126 and put out in Back. Eva got in remainder of back sheep while we were shearing and pressing a couple of bales. Bales pressed so far No 1 Hog to No 2 Hog 61. No 3 253 No 2 20 32. Tim 1.50 Eva got in 147 which was dagged and put 58 of them in shed tonight. Bob has new Bucharest fatten. German Victorious so far. British divided, war seems badly conducted, Cabinet personal.

FRI 8  Shew the 51 in shed & 400 besides leaving the last 56 which is in shed. A little rain last night, did not wet sheep. Belgian concert tonight. Eva span the
The number of ewes on Back = 273 Reserve 32 Widorups 138 Flat & Hughes 158, wof 89, 2000
Total 748

547.9

Up early, a good day for shearing, get through the 56 in last night by 11:30 and have brandea of wool on Back. R. L. Hannon borrowed a wagon to get in his hay. In the afternoon sheared the 6 80 ewes. Gave Marn a \$12 cheque to pay Mackie's \$9 and Newey's \$3. Marn & Ben & Arthur at pictures tonight. When in bed early.

548.10

A milder hot day. John brought home Grace & baby in pheasant from Mr. Allsholander. In the afternoon went to Uncle's. He is weaker & in bed.

John & Hugh went out on back, shot 3 rabbits, caught a young one.

548.11

A beautiful hot day. John started Hughie with the axis on flat and little garden. Mr. Forsyth's son sent his daughter Annie to borrow 'Datie'.

We pressed 4 bales, wool looks in splendid condition. Letter from Selby re lambs, writing to say will not be fat before Jan¹ & to come there.

548.12

Pressed the 15th bale good fleece, good wool, put matter & partly matted in one bale. Hugh took in back wagon a fadge of locks & scraps and 5 sheep skins.

Sheared in a dead lamb from Reserve, maggoty at throat and tail, skinned it for soap. Laughan Alice & Charlie for dinner. Hugh shot a hare on the flat.

548.13

Finished pressing the 15th bale, brandea the lot. Mr. Walker came over.

Got in 7 dagged reserve lambs, quib in one; harvested him 59 lambs & 2 sheep. Ben & Marn motored to Danversville, got cheque cashed at Mackie's for £6.

Lambs daggy, some very much so and a few fly blown, had to shear & harvest one.

On Midwayes, Ewes & a few hoggies - 169. Lambs 146. On Hughes & flat 185 ewes & 107 lambs 207.

548.14

Every day warm now. Put bathins on jama - split one between flat & out. See Laughan came & borrowed snowier. Hugh still dining on flat. Many young ones about. Horsewood drawn in composition ballot. Willy Mackie one of them.

548.15

Up early, John rode out to bring in Back shed. C. Smith & Ben came with both teams & took 4 bales each to Ormond² afterwards C. Smith took a 4 and a 3.

Wool cannot owing to want of trucks get away before Tuesday next. Dagged lambs 301 and put back. Rain came on at 10 AM & continued for hours, got sheep into shed. Pictures.

We made the number of ewes & hogs on Back in this count 342.

Full forenoon, Mr. & Mrs. Satchwell come, also rain at mid day. Eva, Lily, and Mam went to Church, torrents of rain fell. Went in car with Satchwells, round to their place and after dropping them went on to Uncle's. Much hay out.

MON 18 A very fine day. Eva rode over to Naughtons & brought back Prince. Borrowed Walker's maw to do harnessing with Prince. Maw jibbed did not do much work with her. Pea roofing completed by nailing on sheets of iron, only laid on before, not nailed. Mess dames Grant and Parsons juv. Mr. Lund & Anton Svensen brought flock, 64 ewes in shed.

TU 19 A fine hot day. Three shearers got through Londa sheep. Boy Hanson ~~was~~ jacking & rolling fleeces. Eva harnessed some & rolled the 5 ewes for Curries on Flat. John drilled the turrip seed and some rape seed with it. After tea Eva took Walker's mare home and led Prince over to Joe's. Finished nailing on iron on roof of cowshed. Hugh's pledged out manure etc.

WED 20 A fine day again. John got in the back sheep in order to find correct number, they are as counted out at shearing time 348 ewes 300 lambs. Mr. Lund & Inga came & we processed their 3 bales. After dinner we laid out fence line on flat along turrip ground. Mi Tokeleau called. At night Mam Eva & Arthur making great preparations to go to school concert. Papers full of Peace offers by Germans on behalf of a late tender feeling towards humanity. They want a great deal of the spoils & a permanent peace.

TH 21 Light rain nearly all afternoon, set in at 10.30, had and pulled wool out of potatoes at rape. John got six ewes & lambs off Widiups before breakfast. After dinner motored to Nyamoko school. Mr. Hunter gave out prizes before we got there, games going on, snowing, vaulting etc. Went with Mr. Hunter in C.P. Anderson's car to see J. O'Hara, in bed, looks well, was home by bus. Came on to township, waited for our car. Mr. Mackin changed a cheque for \$4.00. Eva & Mam at tea - Arthur too, with Rev. Fountain, all then went circus, 2 p.m. Rain fell all this night. Swedes out to make their appearance soon.

A quiet day, nothing done. Mam & Eva went to Adonis. Boys shot here in regard
 President Wilson send out a blustering note about peace. British in disagreement, as well
 Lloyd George made a famous speech previously, in reply to them, peace talk. Empire agrees
 with all. Disalterances. Returns from H^o sk for 5 skins, 1 dog, 7 lbs at 150 = 7/10 total £2-6-3.

SAT 25
 Light rain forenoon, mended sacks in woodshed, afterwards carried water
 to dip, put in 400 gallons but 50 gal or so leaked out through a faulty
 spot. Got in ewes & lambs off Hughes, was 162. This makes the count all right
 we thought there were 7 ewes short, lambs 207. He killed 2 lambs one for Hans
 Nilsson and W. Torkelson and a half for us and a half for them. The Kanghan got
 lean of hay rake and took it home behind his cart. Mam & Eva when at posterns

SUN 26
 Better weather today. American bluster not so threatening. John paid Hugh 2-15-0
 but up the two lambs. Hugh brought surprises from Ricketts with
 a pair of new shafts. He John & Arthur went to W. Torkelsons with the two half
 lambs one of them for Hans Nilsson, they also returned Nilsson's 20 empty sacks
 Very heavy rain after dinner, at 3 PM we went to see Uncle, seems a bit weaker.
 Mr. Hopkins there for a while. Bright C. & Frederickson called & borrowed to hang in
 his car was stuck up on the road at the gate. Mam & Eva working again tonight.

XMAS
 A nice calm cloudy day, no visitors for a winter, stockings filled all the same
 No soap for me this time, an electric apparatus and nice handker. Arthur
 various articles, baby, a call to Eva a watch and cigars also chocolates. Gave to
 Mam & John & the things. He went fishing and got big bunch of trout, branawata.

TU 26
 A calm cool day, rode over all paddocks, Hughes and flat bars, 4 lambs
 out on Adonis, got under lower wire, good feed on back section.
 Messrs Franklin & A. Snook came and took away wether belonging to latter.
 John & Arthur and Biddy went Ngam & Ku way fishing, caught some.
 Went with Mam & Eva to Ormond - spots and to Uncle. Saw Mr. Craig at
 sports. He may take two truckloads of lambs this week if trucks available.

Mam & Eva intended to Darnovirka picked up Mr Grant & two children
 Got cheque for five pounds changed at Mackies. Mr Braig called to say
 he had 2 trucks for us at Ormond. John got into yards all was slams.
 Braig came at 3.30 picked out 160 for 2 trucks, am on get them 16 dry ewes.
 We drove them to Ormond railway yards, got in near dark. Home in car.
 TH 28. Eva drove us early to Ormond to truck the lambs for 6.30 AM train. Consigned
 them to Whakatu 161, a lamb more than was counted here. John went fishing
 only caught two. Got in a ewe from back that requires fixing up, paddled her
 and put back, nearly finished putting down battens in shed going to dip.
 At night Mr. Satchwell & Lizzie called. he goes home tomorrow. Alice brought
 mowing machine behind her spring cart. No rain to speak of today.

FR 29. Mr. Satchwell came over early from his northern place & John drove him to Ormond
 to catch the 8 o'clock train. He afterwards sharpened mowing machine knives
 preparatory to mowing our meadow when weather permits. Worked at Dip, just
 in remaining battens. Miss Birmingham and Miss M. Bullock called.

SAT 30. Fine weather has set in. John carted down 2 stainers and posts for
 house above for new line along turnips, and cut some in meadow.
 Made gate for dip yard out of tataru 6 x 1. Three of us went to see pictures
 but there were none I was told, picture man must have met with a
 misadventure on the road from Waipawa. A full house had money returned.

SUN 31. A summer day. John and Freddy went fishing Ngamako way.
 Lizzie came over had dinner with us & went to Church with Mam & Eva.
 Afternoon went with Mam & Eva to see Uncle, is in bed most of the time.
 Messrs. Triper & Selby there with new car, had been visiting their property
 the other side of Manawatu, with pleasure with abundance of food.

John caught 18 trout gave half to Freddy, some for Auntie tomorrow.
 This has been a good year for stock and prices, a black year for many.
 Many widows & orphans and weeping mothers, 1917 will see the end of it.

Several light showers today. John rode to Omond - left mare at Uncle
 & trained to downwicks to Cricket match & Napier made 57 not out in
 second innings, only one in first. Late High school boy Macpherson made 48
 thus two won the match. Friday afternoon and male called on their way
 home from a trip to Mangamui in cars. No papers today, lonely feeling.

TUE 2nd A wet wintery day, put up a shelf in kitchen, helped M. Lewis
 bag his belly wool pieces. Mam & Lisa motored to Omond - did not meet M. Campbell
 got returns for lambs raised from Whakatu & weights of 12 bales wool. Sent to H. K. K. K. K.
 for enclosing year payment in advance, cheque for £1-6-0. A cold wet night.
 One ewe called yellow, with. One condemned to rate with. One lamb yellow 29 lbs. Average
 of lambs 33.85 lbs. Nine ewes average 61.84 lbs. Five average 77.80 lbs. 14 average 67.57 lbs.

WED 3rd A wet day again. John's Birthday is between 29 and 30 after a bit of
 a gillnet. The loud laugh denotes the vibrant mind! Mrs. Smith
 came and took away dimes & bales of wool. Willy Campbell came by coach.

THU 4th Rain in the forenoon, fine afternoon, dug some potatoes in rape
 garden, some stalks blighted, fair crop. Alice & Charlie also brought back
 pork. Got from Mrs. Kettle weight of last 3 bales of wool. Lizzy came evening

FRI 5th A fine breezy drying day, turned hay, L. Ferguson & J. Macpherson
 helping, after dinner Goring's carted in and also one of our waggons
 Madam making. Hugh came in the afternoon and was useful forking in shed.
 R. Curran borrowed bush wagon to get his oats in. All hay out in shed now.
 Mam saw Willy & Hugh at a sand-off concert tonight. Chas. Johnston farewelled.

SAT 6th John & Hugh downed the remainder of meadow and away part of
 oats and mowed some round standing crop of oats. Lisa hauled 2 sheep
 in, they way coming to ship. Returns tonight some of us there. M. & M. Vaughan came.

SUN 7th A fine summer day, and a day of rest, no Church. Three of us went to see Uncle
 He is better, in bed, only about 40 years. Hard to start car, exhaust too, must change
 2 fish. She plays organ in P. Church in absence of O. Ganister in Christchurch. John took out 2 fish. Long day.

TUE 7 A fine day. Mam & the others went to Dannevirke, took a £12 cheque to pay Mackies £4. 19 bill and then other creditors who are waiting and wanting. Was very hard to start, all hands had to give a preliminary push. Anton Swanson came, wants toombs shipped tomorrow before putting on paper. Carted rails on car for hay stack foundation. Made stack in turnip paddock. Splendid fine hay. Worked until dark, had to leave one load out and one on wagon unloaded. Put two haulins over hay, looks like rain. Milly Campbell came in car from Levin.

TUE 8 A wet day, not much hay out. John & Hugh sawed a little, too wet. **WED 10** Rain last night and this morning, remainder of day dry. Rev. Whibley for dinner. John & Hugh splitting hemlock posts on Bark. Did some work about ship.

TH 11 Nice calm day, no rain, spread out the cocks of hay, soon dried, got in enough to head a stack, one load put in shed, the last, more hay than ever before. Mam Eva & Milly motored to Dannevirke, interviewed C. L. Neilson, £1. 19. 1 paid to C. Smith, to J. Bartlett £1. 6. 0 to A. Hulme 14/6 and D. H. Cameron 14/6.

FR 12 Another fine day, dug some very fair potatoes in rape patch. John & Hugh carting in hay for Hugh's people. Milly went to train by coach & to Wellington to see her brother Willy off. News this evening that poor Ellen Grant is killed.

SAT 13 Summer now. Anton Swanson shipped 234 lambs early paid to John & Hugh helping Argenson & Co get in their oats. Mr. Neilson came with a Chevrolet motor car, went with Mam & Eva to Dannevirke with him. He did us back in a Oakland car, both cars first class, very warm day. Pictures today.

SUN 14 A breezy day, Mam & Eva at Church. Mr. Whibley came with them to dinner after which he was motored to Taiti by Walter Smith. We three went to Urubas.

MON 15 A windy day, boxed up a dozen white Leghorn fowls & sent them to Rose's job, Horwood, they fetched 2/6 each. Eva had to run down most of them. Deal with mower, put in sheaves and tied a strip of oats all round crop on flat and cut with reaping hooks and threw out of crop a great number of thistles.

Another breezy day. Got in Hiderup's sheep and went through them. 130
 breeding ewes paddled or blue put back and 18 ewe lambs with them. Reserve sheet
 got in and 49 good ewes and 6 ewe lambs put back. On Hughes raps 128 lambs, 10 cull
 ewes. On Hughes section 36 cull ewes & lambs, 25 of them very poor ewes. Clean job for
 A. Adrian sawed with scaper & binder & cut the oats, he charges for 3 acres, one has 30¢
 Some of us ran before machine with hoes, cut & threw out thistles, many of them.

A windy day, sheared the oats. Mam, Eva, John & Hugh after an early dinner
 went to Rosewood, spoke, were caught. Wind increased, sheets blown down.

A nice calm day, restocked the oats after yester days storm.
 Wire netted the potatoes from the raps. John & Hugh carted in
 the oats, built stack under wattles near totara posts, rain threatening.

got in last load at 7.25. Mam & Eva motored to Oamth saw M^r. Hunter he
 sent a message and - to Ole Gunderson. Mam walked over & delivered
 brought back from Oamth Herie & Dorothy and Ada and one of her seven
 sons. took them back in the afternoon. M^r. Garrison called on his way home.


A good dipping day. John got in Black sheep early. Picked out
 278 raps lambs, dipped and put in meadow for tonight. Put 60 cull ewes & lambs
 on to Hughes. Put a mob of good ewes and 89 ewe lambs on back. Bulk of ewes tonight
 in shea paddock. J. Hutchinson dipped 232 lambs. Rex Whitley called. Mam
 & Eva motored to Oamth picked up Auntie & Aas, went to Mary's and Dan's
 The usual warm day. Eva paid Simpsons £24-10 bill and Anderson's equal amount


with a twelve pound cheque. Simpsons discount was twice that of Anderson's.


John & Hugh went through the ewes, picked out 35 culls & put them on
 Hughes. Put 110 lambs on Hat paddock of raps and 88 lambs on Hill raps.
 culls ewes on Hughes. Lambs on raps all counted. Took train 10-15 Oam on with
 for Waipukurau, used one ticket. 3/4, to attend M^r. Gairford's funeral. Canon Eccles
 held service and Waipukurau minister. Left for home at 2.10, two hours train journey.
 J. Hutchinson dipped 109 lambs. yesterday total 341



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The usual warm day day, John Hugh went to the ranges, man & pack
or rather buggy, saw no pigs, brought home 3 trout at 10 PM. Remainder of us
went in the afternoon to Uxalis, much the same. At night 3 of us met to a
good congregation of ladies, carried round a net, got 10/6. Mr. Melark & 3 boys
went to Cornth layreading took Trinia and phacter, much religion today.



MON 22  Another hot day, rain threatening, shower in the evening. Got in
Hughes safe lambs and dipped them - 142, put back, this is 4 more than put on
dipped and put back on Hughes paddock call ewes and some lambs - 123
I sold some with 89, real good lambs & dipped a pair. Lizzie is here tonight.


TU 23  A warm day, showers in the afternoon. John Hugh saw a human leg
and split some posts got in a little firewood. Lizzie was out to 8 o'clock train AM
Alice & Charles for lunch. Car met Milly at express train. Got stuck beating tail of leg


WED 24  A nice day, very close, no rain. Shifted all the cats into sheds, quite hot.
Drove with John to Maketaha sale, lambs, in pairs 13/6 and 14/6, up to 22/6 for very good.


TH 25  The usual close day, but cockfoot in plantations and about gully.
 Rev. Whibley for dinner. All but 3 of us met to see Mr. W. Thomson.
Got in the last of the cats into cart and evulsed. Got in sheep off Hughes, 56 ewes
and some lambs picked out and put on Hill paper, put back 68 on Hughes
Dipped 102 lambs for W. Todd, this makes 201. Mr. & Mrs. V. O. Grant called.


FR 26  The usual dry hot day, John Hugh firewood getting on back. Milly
came back from Painter Chen's. Cutting cockfoot about gullies. A letter from
Gert to say she was coming tomorrow, consequently we ran down & killed the Gobler

SAT 27  A day day, out cockfoot in soap paddock and Wellington's plantation.
 Post and bins came by express and met at Cornth with car, Man Lea
Hugh grassed, mowing this afternoon. Put in straw with John on flat me
lamps. Man Lea Gert & her two and Arthur drove to Alice's. The same lot at
Pictures tonight. 7. or 10 German ships sunk two days ago. News say not any at
A three pound cheque cashed at Mackies. I should be paid 12/6 out of it

 A dry day. John & Hugh went against way with rods, brought home five. The company went up to the potato patch, we dug out some potatoes for Gert. They are splendid to look at and a great number under a sheet, rods over the potatoes, not much frost except on the grass and flat, seem to spare on Waiwaka or flat, notered to block it, he is very low, does not recognize. Mr. Black takes more objection to lay road in Ormond Church tonight. Eva dropped Billy at P. Church to play organ for them.


MON 29  A breezy drying day. Worked at turnip fence on flat. John at Ormond stock sale, did not buy. Gert & children left by express, also Milly notered with them. Miss Williamson occupied their seats coming back. Creek not running over.


TU 30  A windy day, worked at turnip fence, put in extra heavy hencow posts. Hugh scouting, got home here in time to milk. Eva & Miss Williamson at Oldershaw's.

WED 31  A light shower today. Worked at fence, put in very heavy hencow posts.

TH 1st FEB 1917 part deducted week 4/6

FRI 2nd Light rain in the forenoon. Worked at fence in the afternoon. £179-10-0 cheque to hand from the Hawkes Bay Farmers Meat Coy. Ltd for 16 cows at 8 1/2 which comes to £25-12-3 and 145 lambs at 8 1/2 = £123-13-8 = £199-5-11 less £19-15-11 which is 10% deducted at present. John telephoned to F. Selby asking if he can come early next week. Mary answered "great scarcity of trucks has ordered 36. big mobs of sheep coming from West coast, lambs at Ormond".

FR 3rd  A slow breezy day, no rain, some fell last night, creek up again as before. Finished putting in posts and ran out wire, not quite enough galvanized wire, had to use a piece of old black. sent Whakatai cheque to Union Bank and Post Bank. Hugh cut shingles on Range flat with Pines and mowing machine. Note from F. Selby.

SAT 3rd  Rain threatening all forenoon, wet afternoon. Sam & Miss Williamson notered to Danawika, brought back ears of Coopers Dip from William & Kettles. Stapled all posts in new fence, & wires. John & Hugh cutted stakes & wire getting to back rope paddock and divided it. Paid Hugh tonight for four weeks. £4-4-0 Sam Eva & Miss Williamson at Pictures tonight. Rain coming from Ormond.

Rain last night and light this forenoon, got a few lambs in off Reserve just the 7 black face rams off meadow into front, put cull ewes & lambs off Hughes into meadow, put rape lambs off Hughes 4 1/2 acres into yard at home and awaited F. L. Selby. He came before 11 AM and we yarded all lambs off rape. He picked out 257 lambs all good, expect to have trucks on Wednesday at the Old Lamb put back in various paddocks, went with him to Urcula, the same. Mam Eva and Miss Williamson came afterwards and at night they went to P. Church. A bit of bad luck this afternoon. John & Hugh after dinner went out rabbiting with dog Bully, he ran after a rabbit and fell on level ground, no stump or log near, the bone in his shoulder is broken, nothing we can think of can be done to relieve him, they brought him home in wagon.

MON 5 A rough wintery day. John laid battens along new fence and carted in a load of firewood. Miss Williamson went home by express, Mam & Eva left her at station. Her sister Miss Williamson for lunch. Louisa or Jorgensen gone to work on a farm at Tolonenston at £3 a week and found - for a woman left on the farm, her husband called up to go on a fight in defence of such as Jorgensen that he may occupy a comfortable billet in New Zealand. God save the King! Bandaged Bully's fore leg, put on two splints tied with cloth strips.

TUE 6 Two deaths today, dog Toby and a raddled fat lamb. Skinned the lamb and buried the dog. A windy the day, heavy rain in the morning dry afternoon. Staked on some battens on new fence. beautiful feed on flat after many weeks spell, today all raddled fat lambs on it.

WED 7 Summer returned, found by telephone from Mackies that 3 trucks were awaiting us at Ormond. Brought down our 250 lambs & trucks then went to Maketuku sale, a great number of sheep & lambs yarded, mostly 2nd and 3rd class, sheep seemed to be down a couple of shillings. John brought home to H. Mortensen his 50 did was bought at 20/7, and O. Y. Fredericks 50 lambs at 1/4, and then put over lambs off rape on to fresh feed on flat. No N. Day

FEB 1 Swine & lambs taken off rape stalks and put on new rape. Half of the back six acres - 65 swine and 164 lambs. Took swine and wagon to upper township and brought back the timber left there from Parsons mill - 220 ft. got a piece on mare and removed, drove up to Hughes and brought back from heap 8 of the smoothest hewn. Paid Mackie's bill $\$5.19$ with 25 cheques.

FEB 2 A windy day, dipped 140 lambs for Dickson, 50 lambs for Nordbye. Got in 7 flat sheep, picked out swine and lambs and put them on the rape.

Put up post rail fence at rear end of new township fence. John ploughing stubble "Duck" Lager in forenoon, seems better this evening. 250 swine & lambs now on rape.

FEB 10 A very windy day. Mr. Whibley at midday. Marc express 9 letters. Paul took 2 stools we taken up to Church and fence repaired by working 1300.

Two of us, his Reverence, Messrs Evans Spright, Chaytor, Cleveland & Meltholand Ladies served out tea and cakes afternoon finished about 5 pm. Bought at Mackie's 4 lbs 22 inch nails 25 4 inch nails 12 lbs white paint 60¢, 1 gal oil 60¢

FEB 11 A breezy day, windy evening. Mam Cow at morning P. service, evening English cow. Motored to Orchar afternoon, just the same. John & Bertha shot 2 rabbits.

FEB 12 A thorough wet day, nothing done, fire in dining room, good buckshot.

FEB 13 A fine morning, a very wet afternoon. Victoria with Mam & Eva to Parsons mill in the hard to start for the last time, had to push it to road, a furniture near Poi Poi, put on fresh wheel. Saw new car - Chevise lit in garage.


Mr. Nelson motored with us round town and beyond, teaching Eva. Car goes nicely, he keeps the old one. Eva drove us home all right. Car newly painted.


Before put in use, ordered a spare wheel. Squares with Williams & Keal. 7 8 9 pairs for dips. Got Earl's cheque for 250 yd lambs - 299.19 - 11 average weight of lambs 33.46 lbs. 231 1/2 equality 7236 lbs at 98¢. 19 27¢ of 42 lbs 620 ... 8 1/2 per lb.


FEB 14 Eva picked plums in garden, good crop. Put rape lambs on flat for few days.


Sent bear cheque to Union Bank & letter to Mr. & Mrs. Kettle leaving valuation of wool in their hands. Mam got Mackie to change 12 cheques. John at Goodwin's.


A very fine day for the sheep. Went with Eva & Marn in new car, good show. Saw Mr. Lewis, he comes to pick out lambs on Tuesday next. Saw Mr. Ross Davis, agreed to go to his place on Wednesday next for a Romney ram. Saw Mr. Abbot, N.S. Farmers Fertiliser Co. Agent, took up 40 shares to be paid. The shares are £5 each. On application £5 is paid down, more under afterwards.

FR 16  All hands except one who was ploughing ordered to listen Oswald to enquire about Romney rams, he cannot give a decisive answer, blocked the new timber. A Ladies Committee cleaned church windows on Mr. McLeod's. Called and gave us a basket of vegetables, very nice ones. A warm day this has

SAT 17  A warm drying day. John went to Mr. McLeod's yard to see if 2 stony sheep there are ours, they are not. He repaired fence near house and shifted fat lambs and ewes off rape on to Hughes see where there is plenty fresh feed. Eva rode to Aldershaw. Marn and others at the church. Miss Williamson son came back with her to tea. Ella Grant also for tea. All of them at Pictures Mr. Whibley for lunch. Put up short fence at carshed. Evangelist boy called

SUN 18  Moved to Mahalukia Church with Eva & Marn, Mr. Whibley & Arch. Tablets unveiled by Architects in memory of J. Prabhazan & W. Robinson. Some hymns by Common's played at Urcles until Eva & Marn came in afternoon. Urcles picnic.

At 7 pm went with Eva and Marn to Presbyterian Church. John & Mr. Agamoko **MON 19**  Rain in the morning, most of day fine. made small gate, being near car. filled loose chaff for horses parks and for sheep. Two Nun ladies called, Marn promised to leave a donation at Convent for them tomorrow. Gave Marn £20 - Change to pay Hughes rent £9. 14. 2. Rickett 21-15-6 Simpson £1. 6. 5.

TU 20  A fine day. Marn & Eva motored to Darnmoor, left new car to have wheel an extra wheel fitted on and painted, came home in old Ford. John made frame for express, got ewe sheep off rape. Mr. Lewis came late, picked out 43, we did not think it worth while to take them to train, leave here for a couple of weeks. send the rejects - dump put on rape and pass on good grass. Janga Lord called and said to consult his ewe tomorrow before Mr. Giffing picks out the pair.

John went early to O lands to pick out his best ewes to be kept for breeding. Light rain in the forenoon, drove fully express and cage to St. Davies for 2 Romney rams. went by Ormond's Papatu Whipua, a bad road. got 2 rams paid £2. 2 each one bigger & heavier than the other, both good mouths, came home by Gorman Lines (very heavy rain all the afternoon), coming from Ormond's Manager wants the Book.

A wet forenoon, 700 ewes moved by A. B. Harwin and C. P. Anderson were drafted and divided in yards here. John dug out Cot-trills and shot 2 hares.

A fine day. John got in ewes from off Hughes put back 11000 and 3 cull lambs. Put 182 lambs and one fixed-up ewe on the 3 acres of rope - wools shed. Got in Widespread and Reserve sheep and went through them. Put 21 2 tooth ewes on Ridge and 20 on Reserve Flat. Put 24 ewe lambs in Reserve. Put 14 cull ewes and wethers on Hughes. 134 good breeding ewes in shed paddock tonight 7 cull lambs amongst sheep. All but 3 of us motored to Dannevirke. Paid £172-0-0 Cheque to C. L. Nilsen, out of which he deducted his account £170-0-3 The old Ford car suffered a puncture beyond Mataman, had to go on as it was, no spare wheel or any means of rectifying it. Brought home new car and a spare wheel. A scout concert tonight. Mam and Eva there.

Back sheep got in before breakfast daggd all ewes. Put on bond 250 good ewes and 3 lambs. On Hughes 124 ewes and 3 lambs. Widespread 183 ewes 5 lambs Reserve 121 ewe lambs and 20 two tooth ewes on Reserve Flat. 91 ewes on Flat. On rope 182 lambs and 1 ewe. Total 720 ewes, 314 lambs, 7 rams, sold 16 ewes, 395 lambs. Total before any were sold 736 ewes and 709 lambs. Rain came on before we could finish daggging the lambs, some of which are very bad. Alice & the Patiens

A fine day. John & Freddy went fishing to Aganaka, caught 15. home late they milked 7's cows late. All of us but one motored to Oracles & Thompsons walked over the paddocks with M.V. abundance of food, big Romney sheep. At 7 PM went with Mam & Eva & M^{rs} Walker to Church. not many people there.



A very fine warm day. Dipped 86 lambs for Koythorn, paid 7/6
 Got in Reserve lambs tagged & dipped them & put back = 112. Mr. Torkilson came
 to see day for dipping. Mr. Harst and S. Fredericksen had
 112 of them cured by Harst, he paid 14/6. I will pay later on. We dipped 7 lambs
 and with 7 others put them on the rape. Got in ewes of Hal and those of Hughes
 picked out 12 ewes of the best and put them on Ridges, 445 ewes there now and
 5 lambs. Put back on Hughes 202 cull ewes and a few small lambs. Heavy she-

WED 29 Motor to Tukapau Sports with Mam and Eva. Hal, Gert and Tom
 Sports less than formerly. Will want back home. Gert & children come with us. Went over
 with them to Alice's yards. Spotted a pig that we intend to buy & fatten for killing.

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TH 15 A fine day. Mam, Gert and I motored to Dannevirke, got back early.
 John finished ploughing out stubbles. Dry potatoes fair crop, tubers
 Manahaki potatoes inferior. Mam's herd boys came with part of his flock to be
 dipped tomorrow. Sarah, Mr. Satchwell, came up by coach. & holiday in Dicks.

FRI 22 A very fine day for dipping. Put through 92 for New Hardy, a third
 or so of them used by lambs. John and E. Mulena promising up. Mam & car had
 went to Alice's. As usual up to their ^{eyes} in work, making money and building castles.

SAT 23 A dull doubtful looking day. E. Mulena came and John got in his
 sheep and dipped, put back and put 2 Romney and 4 2 Down rams with 350 ewes
 one lamb with them. Dipped Wadersups 167 including 120 two toothers, put 3 2 Down
 rams with them. Dipped the 9 rams, 3 pets and 2 strange lambs. total 231 today.
 Mam & the crowd went to Nowwood. changed a £5 cheque. Mail of them at Pictor
 Three or four late lambs amongst ewes on Wadersups. Painter Olsen dips in Morda.

SUN 25 A fine day. John and Mr. Torkilson fishing up Manawatu. 7 boys
 spearing up that way. After dinner Eva, Mam, Gert & I motored up there
 a heavy shower fell, not beyond Ruims. At night Eva, Mam & Sarah at Churich
 wrote a letter to Superintendent State Fire Insurance.

MON 5 A fine day rain threatening none came. Got and bairns flown with Eva and Maon in Chon. John dia some with dia and 3 horses. He divided lambs 50 in Reserve. 49 Reserve flat. 13 in meadow. Sludged sand & gravel to 2nd shed.

TU 6  H. Nord bys and C. Hulona dipped 925 sheep for latter paid 8-0-0. Constable McLeod came and spoke about selling his farm and buying some of Sanders Hefuna land, gave particulars in writing as to terms. Took train to Hastings was met at station by Eva and Will, acquainted Will about McLeods place, after talking the matter over with Gert and considering that he may have to go to the war and that it would in that case suit her to live on, agreed to take the place at the figures and terms mentioned. This decision was come to before Wednesday morning.

WED 7 A fine day in Paksotshai. All came to Hastings and saw Will off in afternoon train after spending great part of day at Autumn Show. John met him at Ormonath with buggy. He paid McLeod deposit £400.

TH 8 Another fine day. Eva and Maon met Will at Hastings station. He brought one bank slip, Maon, Will and Killa, paid in for one £357-14-9-12 before. FR 9 All motored to Napier, had interview with Manager Union Bank & began the

SAT 10 Rain threatening none came. Weather cool. Maon Eva & Gert at pictures.



SUN 11 All hands motored out to black berries and off to see the long & Pop.



MON 12 Still at Paksotshai every day fine. Maon Eva & Gert at Pictures.


TU 13 Left Paksotshai at 1.20 had tea at Waipara. Saw Craig at Totopou got home at 8.30. Baby has a cold, much dipping since was away.


A. Olsen 259. H. M. Thomson 210. Paul Hornu 133 paid 11/8. J. Thompson 458. 83/8 paid. Magnusson 153, paid 12/8. Sam Fredericksen sent cheque £1-0-0. Hans Korabge dipped 2/1000 & 981 before - 989, is to pay £3-10-3 later on.

WED 14 A very fine day. Got in was off Hager and bairns off repair. Mr. Craig came at 11.30. Picked out 84 ewes and 150 lambs, agreed to let him take proceeds. John drove them to Railway yards at 4.30. Fall in with Nicholsons lambs & cullers. Took lots to trucked at 8 AM tomorrow. Only 40 or 50 lambs left now.

 Up at 10 minutes to four, called John, blankets again and
 Mam made tea. Johnson and Nicholson and man at Dawson & Hay tracked
 the sheep between 5 and 6 AM. We had breakfast at 8. Picked out 55 fairly
 good ewes & put them on Haghea. 74 was 7 1/2 lambs on Hill paper. 19 was 33 lambs
 on oat paper. 9 lambs (3 of them pits) on garden paper. Total 216 to fatten without
 counting a few small lambs. John got down 112 lambs dipped & put back.
 FRIDAY  Met on the Dannevirke sale with Mam Arthur John and Roddy. Did
 not see any ewes suitable for Hill. small pens of good ewes fetched 30 and 35/-
 some very inferior pens. John bought 22 poor ewes at 15/- 17 of them have good maist
 and bought a Romney pen at 32 guineas. Came with M. Maloh and his lambs
 as far as Matawan and home in car. C. L. Nilsons men overhauled cars.

SAT 17  Saint Patrick's day. Smokes steadily out of Dunlond. Todd Bros dipped
 ewes and lambs and Hutchison dipped 218 ewes in afternoon
 a good day for dipping. John brought the 22 ewe & Romney pen from Matawan
 and a South Down pen owned by O'Halloran with them, all are now on Flat.
 Sent Cheque to N. B. Farmers Fertilizing Co. Auckland - £2-10-6
 Sent Cheque to Dannevirke County Council Clerk, both crossed - £19-2-10

SUN 18 Dry weather continues. Atkinna the rejected ewe and bred & skinned
 £3 10/- weak lamb. Got in the 22 ewe bought on Friday and dipped them also.
 The big Romney pen and O'Halloran's 50 pen. Put ewe lambs off Ravens
 Flat into shed paddock. Drove to Dunlop, Dr. W. McLeod's house. John & C. L. Nyman

MON 19  A fog in the morning, turned out warm day. Put out to Woods sale
 Rice promises, everything up to date, fine house well furnished, hospitable place.
 Good sale, Mr. Reid auctioneer, over £2. big prices for young cattle and sundries.
 Met on to Sanders sale, here again big prices for sheep, which are of a good
 quality. £2 for best, 2-4 and 6 lots. We bought 132 at 2 1/2/- good ewes. I also
 bought a mob at 2/- are housed with ours, division together are in shed paddock
 tonight. Revolution in Russia. Over a prisoner, war against Hunns to increase



Another good day for dipping. Geo Thomson dipped 138. We dipped the 138 brought at Sanders yesterday, and John put them on New farm and Todd Br brought them at midday and we dipped them - 482. Mam Eva Mr Grant sent motor to Dannewick. Got leak in car stopped at Nelsons. Got lamb returns from Whakatane. Both lambs and ewes lighter than we expected, not final.

10 21 Mr. Bai came and took his 78 sheep away. Rode to Maketutu sale. Bought 78 ewes at 2/2 and 2 Romney rams at 7/6 guineas, the pick of 10 Romney rams. A wire from Will to say that he is sending 100 ewes + 400 rams. Two heifers calved on back today, horn too late to do anything with them.

11 22 John & Mr. Reed brought the flock and dipped 157 brought back. Paid 13/6. Mr. Reed bought 20 of the ewes bought yesterday at the same price. Walked over back, brought in blue heifer & her small heifer calf. The black heifer has a bull calf. Both heifers milked. Without a leg rope.

12 23 The usual hot day. got in load of ferriwire and dugged the 79 ewes, they are in shed paddock tonight, put the two to the Romney rams on back branded 8 "Darkie" heifer easier to put in bale and smelt than "Blue". Receipt for £11 from Dalgety & Co Dannewick for 22 aged ewes and receipt for £3. 13. 6 for Romney ram from Loan & Murcstonside Co. John phoned to W. Downman. A truck of sheep to come.

13 24 Mr. Ryan dipped 182, paid 19/6. Lora 37/ paid 5/4. / Dorkhan 23/ paid 2/6. Mam motor to Dannewick, got drum of Cooper dip at Farmer's warehouse. Mr. Hatchwell went by early train. John put the 39 ewes on farm, & two rams on Ridge. One Cow down out his throat with a razor, died in D. hospital. Ella for tea and pictures.

14 25 All but John want to Unc leg, he does not recognise any ewes. Mam & Eva Church
15 26 Priests came with 401 shorn lambs, did not take long to do, will pay 30/6. John went to railway station and brought back Hills ewes + 50 rams & dipped and put them on farm. Sent cheque to Blenheim. Mr. Reed 1 Oct 22. 9. 9 + 17. 5. 8 to H. B. Farmers. F. Selby came late & picked out 30 fat ewes at 3/6, the tops of 200 mixed to make a truck load, with Mr. Reed 34 fat ewes.

Anton Samsen came before breakfast and dipped 189 a total of 337 counting those he dipped before. Mr. Michael dipped 86 lambs, paid 8/10 paid by Tomason and S. Beck for dipping 106. Mr. Adamson called for our 38 fat ewes when going past with Mr. Lewis 3/4 fat ewes. Out of our 187 rejects in yard we picked out 37 lambs for out paddock raps, 78 ewes for Hughes raps, 82 ewes for Hughes raps, this makes with 4 lambs in garden raps 46 lambs 130 ewes total 176. Rain whilst we were dipping the last few sheep. Mam & Eva skunked went to Sanders across Manawatu. At night Mam & Eva went to Methodist tea or wherever any.

WED 28 A very fine day. John mustered Mr. Lewis lambs, threw a weak ewe into Reserve and another into Wairarapa, this left 161 which he drove to Hopuna.

Chas' Mulena dipped a dozen or 14 sheep and Wiggins 43 lambs, is to leave 3/6 at Mackies for me. Dug and carried home sugar bag of potatoes. Mam & Eva Alice.

TH 29 A sunny day. John went to search for dog Randy found him between Ngapa and Te Whiti near Raini. Got set of shoes on mare & hand pair for reserve £27. 5-11

ewes 2/6 each, Eva at a Point of some sort tonight. Parsons junior, John at Victoria. Turn up a ewe got in off back and put her on raps. Moved to Dracowick sale with Mam & Eva. Bought 97 ewes in good condition at 22/6 and half at 20/6. John and Ole Anderson brought their two flocks as far as Malham as, met there with car.

Came home after sale & milking, then car returned. Mam & Eva at Agamski's concert tonight.

FRI 30 Up before five o'clock, called John and retired. Mam made a cup of tea for him and then resumed. He met Ole Anderson at the Farm where they ran off their purchases. Made a new opening going into Gunderson's at the 2 gates, road through

and up to house, shepherded Wills flock of Gunderson's on to hillside 257 including 5 rams one of which is very lame and one ewe (Pakowhai) blind. Picked out 25 of our yesterday's purchases the fattest and put them on Hughes section, and 69 of them on back Sec. raps, getting lighted. Dug a ewe lambs in shed paddock put 18 in oneadow 10 in Reserve flat 36 on Flat. Willy Mackie called on his final on Mam & Eva instead of to Dracowick. Then of us at Victoria tonight.

A thorough wet day, the first for a couple of weeks. The rain will do much good. Breezy tonight. Eva & Mam visited up to Church, no Pardon. John Rec. £ 22-5-0. Last night from Gear Ct. Wellington for 38 fat ewes at 16p, bought by F. L. Selby.

MON 2nd A fine day after yesterday's rain. Dog steamer hole at Gundersen's corner. Killed poor ewe for dogs. John at Knut Andersen's sale bought 2 pigs for 2. Mam and Eva at Methodist's children's annual gathering. Amuse Hall.

TUE 3rd A very fine dog steamer hole at Gundersen's corner. Mr. Hill sent 2 lambs. Came by express. J. O'Hara dipped 184 sheep, paid 12p. John dogged 100.

WED 4th Another very fine Saturday day. Will went to Ormond^{on} paid M^{rs} Leach £ 32-11-1 with my cheque, and £ 500. one of his own. also sent my cheque for £ 28 to Sinclair Logan & Williams. Napier. Finished gateway at Gunnarson's corner, made hurdles and placed it there, steamed up 22. John got in 'Mam's' sheep 257, branded and put them back. Carted a few loads of gravel from Hughes road and put some at gateway at Gundersen's corner. Mam Eva & Bert at a send-off tonight.

TH 5th He carted 3 more loads of gravel to gateway. John went through sheep and on back found one and brought in dark heifer with Holstein heifer calf. 207-18-6 sent to H. B. Farmers Co. Operative. Base^{on} this morning for 97 was bought on Friday last, got a receipt this evening. Will grubbing out blackberries near dwelling house and road, a good many there to grab out. Got a bad cold today, short time.

GOOD FRIDAY All hands except one visitors, and drove to the mountains. They fell in with H. Tokilson a rather jonesa firm, enjoyed themselves had cold.

SAT 7th A very fine day. Got in Widempe and dogged them out much as their. He and I, rams, took out 5 late lambs from them and put them in one a cow.

Old Anderson came with 157 ewes & dipped them, will pay 12p. Will at blackberries over at house, the company in town over with his dinner. Many of them at pictures.

SUN 8th EASTER All horns away again on an excursion except one. No one came. until the crowd came back at milking time with some fish. Mam & Eva at Church.

SUN 7 A fine day, seeing the two little pigs. John took one up to Mr. Torkelson. Sledged two tetra stainers across Reserve to projected new gateway going into Norway. A concert tonight at Agemako. Mam, Eva, Bert & the 9 & Miss Gustor gone.

TU 10 A nice cool day, in phone to Mary asking if Fred was coming to pick fat sheep, answer yes. He came at 2 PM. John got in all fats and lambs off raps & grass. He picked 41 lambs at 25¢, and 201 ewes at 30¢, will left on Thursday, one blind was fat enough, passed in, very few rejects, only about 8 lambs and 26 ewes. Helped

Will rebuild a culvert over his creek, he finished it. Mr. Gunderson came over at milking time and John & Eva drove his few "darkies" across paddock to her place to be kept until her cow calves. Americans at last mean to lower prices and have a bit at the Home. A great battle about to start. Hair will be too many for ^{long} Mutton.

WED 11 A wet day, John & Will carted a calf over to Mr. Gunderson's, she undertakes to feed it. They did something towards the culverts. At night Mam and Eva motored on a goose chase, to hear an African Missionary explain why cannibals did not eat him, he did not turn up, more benzine consumed for nothing.

TH 12 Light rain greater part of day. John got in fat sheep 41 lambs 201 ewes. John's driver came for them at 11 AM. truck at Maketuker. He and Will carted some culvert material down creek. They went to Newwood sale did not buy. He paid R. Rocks £3 for the two pigs brought at Aunt Anderson's sale.

FR 13 A dull day, no rain. All but 3 in the house motored to Larnierville. John bought 89 lambs at 14¢ each and 25 ewes at 18¢. Bought as far as Matamoras Day some potatoes in patch, fair size but not floury. Demand from Fed. £2.11

SAT 14 John up at 4 AM, went for sheep to Matamoras, put them in paddock. Will & He and Will nearly finished with the culverts. Digging potatoes, the ground a mass of weeds & soil. At night when the inhabitants were pictures gazing, Leslie Campbell came, he has left Featherston factory. Paid £6-16-7 1/2 amount of Mackies bill with £8 cheque. 2/10. Dis allowed. Stars showing now. A great battle has taken place in France, 12,000 prisoners guns past countries.

MON 15 A nice mild calm day. Walked up gully with youngsters
 they reported yesterday finding a sheep dead in the water, saw
 enough an old ewe was in the pond on back underneath precipice. Skinned
 and brought legs home for dogs. Motored to Ukonie, saw 7 Selby at his
 yards, took 23 of his cull lambs at 12/6 John & Will brought them home here.
 Mam Eva & Bert at Church twice today. Will & Bert walked over paddocks.

TUE 16 In some rain in the forenoon, a thorough wet afternoon. Will and
 Jim finished their subverts in the rain. Put the lately bought
 lambs on paper, ewes left in creek flats. Fuddie put 8 cows to graze Will's
 paddocks. Dug out some Californian thistles on Island corner. £35.4-0
 received from Gear & Co for 201 ewes at 30/ and 41 lambs at 25/.

WED 17 A fine day after yesterday's rain. John & Will dug out all
 the potatoes and heaps of corn & weeds, in the afternoon all hands picking up
 the potatoes, about 6 sacks of eating potatoes pig and seed potatoes by themselves
 Here from George, coming tomorrow. Sent Gear's cheque to Bank, at 13-16 to Selby.

THU 18 Rain last night none today, dug out a great number of Californian thistles
 R. Will & John drove to Makotaku Sale, did not buy. Will put an addition in length
 to dining room table. Sent cheque to H. B. Farmers Dannewirke £49-2-6 also to
 Williams & Helle £5-4-10, to L. W. Simpson £9-0-0 to pay him & Anderson.
 Lesley Campbell biked to Donville at Ngarnok's factory, George county express.

FRI 19 Some showers. John carted in firewood and sawed more in flat
 with Carter Engeströmer. Gave Will cheque for £91-1-8 to square up
 matters regarding 65 sheep sent up here by him. Sent cheque for £46-8-0
 to Dalgety & Co Dannewirke for sheep bought on Friday last. Mam Eva Bert
 George and children ordered to Alice's. Will Bert & twins went home by express.

SAT 20 Mam Eva John & George went to Dannewirke, Mam with baskets for W. H. Helle
 John bought 120 sheep 50 ewes at 22/6 and 69 and a 30 pen at 26/3.
 Sledged a couple of loads gravel to second shed.

Another fine day. John up at 4 AM rode to Pini Pini area get the sheep to hills by 11 o'clock - 120 & 50 rams included. We put the Whakatu cheque \$100 to his account in bank of N. & W. Harwood. We separated the ewes in big shed. Put 69 of the best with ram in small paddock at shed, and 50 in another paddock. Eva & George mending peas approach with gravel from near Brown gate with Prunus and express. The 23 Dilly lambs and 6 rejects in shed paddock. 29 put in small "Mami" paddock. Miss M^{rs} Carly & Miss M^{rs} Thomson for tea & biscuits.

MON 22 A fine calm day. Eva & George at their little games. Mavis Eva & Arthur at church, afternoon Mass of us met out to Harold, first time for George for years.

TUE 23 A calm cloudy day. John wired off a piece of paper for lambs & salvaged in some small firwood. We went to Factory office and M^{rs} Thomson helped us to file in Income Tax paper. Sent cheque to Auckland for \$2-10-0 to N. B. Farmers Fertilising Co. Eva and George casting metal to yard ^{gowna}.

WED 24 A dull calm grey sky. George & Eva casting gravel. John diving plough. Heavy rain last night, gowna soaked, yawelling stopped. M^{rs} Thomson called to see about dipping tomorrow. Bagged the potatoes on the ball and

THURSDAY Half holiday in township. Got 12 gate hinge bolts from M^{rs} Rickell. Drove man & express round to Hughes, loaded posts, loaded at big shed 32 cut manure. Yarded Hughes sheep and picked out 18 breeding ewes, the best we could find and put them with the 69 and 50 rams and 1 Ram ram in the 18 ewes, this makes 87 ewes & 2 rams total. Put them in another small paddock.

FRI 25 A sunny day after the rain. John put lambs on late 2nd crop rape & took them off at night & put on flat. He went to Evans clearing pole & bought 2 chains and sofa - very large. Mavis Eva & George met out to Dannewick, took M^{rs} Boyal to see her little boy in the Hospital who was kicked by a horse, is getting better. Sent payment for sheep 56-13-4 to Dean & Mercantile and to M^{rs} Whittle 42-10-0. Had to pay 1/6 exchange to Dean & Mercantile, other Dannewick firms do not charge. Bought 2 packages Copiers Dip. I think I bought 15 bush dry oats.



Turned out a fine day. Killed pig, a good middling weight. John & George skinned and hung a good carcass. A Swinson dipped 582 sheep finished before 8 PM, a long way to go home. Eva & George carting metal. John helped

Tuesday shade grassed. Skinned fat lamb that died on flat, may be effects of

SAF 28 A nice calm day. Mr. Walsh called to say he wants to dip 504 lambs. Mam Eva & George instead to Dannewick & get 2 packages Oxford dip. John helping Freddy put in & acre grassed. Eva & George did some gravelling. Pictures tonight. Cut up & salted pig in big trough in wood shed. Light fall at first.

SUN 29 Motored to Harne House with Mam Eva George & John, about time was were shifted out of small paddocks. Mam greased fire range, brought back some nice cabbages. Afternoon went to Uncle's, about the same. At night Mam and Eva went to Church, a congregation of 4 or 5, in Harne. John at Ngamoko

PM 30 Mr. Walsh called and arranged to dip his lambs but it turned out a wet day. Eva Mam & George instead to Kipua bridge and got some fine sand & George put fresh concrete work about back door steps. John shifted the 87 ewes & 2 rams from small and paddock at Mills on to Hughes. Eva & Mam at Conn's and off tonight.

DEILED **Beh of MAY 1917** Daily sale - 10 1/2 parts. 1/2 to Government.

TU 1 Rain threatening, some fell in the forenoon, afternoon dry. John & D. Ingebaton drove to Ngamoko, shot some rabbit and quails. Eva Mam George & Anaki instead to Vaughan's. Painted boards for gate, turned and salted bacon, & bearded trough. Filled in and sent away sheep returns - 102 ewe lambs 5 10 ewes 5 80 rams 8 1000 32

WED 2 A white frost this morning, sunshiny day, rose & rain even West. Saw 2 young wild calves with their mothers. John & Treacy ploughing 1st pass. George left by express. Eva & Mam instead to Diamond. Jara shot some hay today.

TH 3 John & Treacy finished the ploughing for the present, have a few more, weather changes. Eva carted in fire over from flat. Pulled wild turnips from amongst turnips Sweden for the second time. Geese sweeping turnips like horses. Mam & Eva at some sort of entertainment in upper township. Put splint on broken leg cow J. Ryan.

~~WED~~ Full calm day, rain kept off until nearly dark, set in then, is continuous. John & Steady at work finished with cow and harrows, oats drilled in biggest part of ground, would have finished in another half day. Blagaid out manure and ~~oats with~~ ^{oats with} ~~Travis~~. Put lambs off stalks into flat tonight again. Delly was Tuesday ~~was~~

SAT 5 A thorough wet day, sorted small potatoes for seed and pig potatoes, tea & ~~man~~ ^{man}. ~~E~~ ^E Met Mrs. Pugh to Dannevirke to bring her little boy home. An extra good bill of £3-10 was given her for 13 days keep chiefly on milk, child on trouble, the mother has aphons, milks a few cows in a 40 acre sect. on. John and B. Ingraham went up & down Manawatu with guns, saw many ducks, through Bentes, presumably shooting the ducks were frightened back to where they come from. Mann paid up a bill to C. L. Nelson, bought a Dunlop tyre for £5-17 and gal. oil

SUN 6 Fine until evening, then rain set in & continued all night. Met Mrs. & Charles

MON 7 ~~WED~~ A bright fine morning, tidied up the oats in woodshed. Went to Rose last sale in Horowhenua announced by M. Blake who thanked the Settlers on the occasion of his last appearance in connection with Rose. John found one of Wells was drowned in creek, went in after water cross. All but a motor Dannevirke

TUE 8 A nice day previous and calm, last night for the 2nd time heard a dog or dogs yelping as if in the act of chasing something from hills towards road. Today M. Gorinkie called to say two of his lambs were killed last night by dogs, went down and saw the lambs torn and dead in creek. Constable sent for, met at home. Young Gorinkie thinks he knows dogs and rones, John out tonight with gun as they may come again. All old ewes lambs yarded. Delly came at midday. He picked out 61 lambs and 13 ewes. Most of the old ewes were ^{ewes} John this evening put 20 ewes on Hughes 4 1/2 acres 2nd crop paper, 44 on Hill, paper, for turnips 25 ewes & 20 lambs. Garden paper 7 lambs, total 89 ewes 27 lambs. Mann & Steady paid dip money £3-17-6

WED 9 ~~WED~~ ^{WED} Up early John finished oats drizzling, helped to dip Walsh's lambs 21.8 and 20 of ours 15 do ewes. He took Delly's job to Com^{rs} a trust, then Gorinkie found owner of dog that killed his 2 lambs. I checked, offer to pay lambs value by one egg and 2 1/2

Yesterday Mr. Walsh got his lambs away in good time. Paid for dipping 43.
 Amongst the ~~sheep~~ was dipped yesterday in one of Mr. Martinson's, it had ticks and lice.
 Today, five and a half hours, tied up week-end. John early to check 64 lambs and 13 ewes.
 Shifted the stakes and setting which went round potatoes to top end of turnips which
 we partitioned off and put on it 20 lambs and 25 ewes, took off good carpenters and
 replaced it with old one on haystack. Mr. Walker helping here today and yesterday.

FRI 11 A fine dry day, tipped out potatoes in better shed and shagged trough
 and bacon to same place. John got on loss of firewood and ewes down from Hughes
 some lambs from foot rot, too very bad, restored them with bluestone of fat and poured
 a strong cloth round the bad hoof, scratched 30. Mam paid bills with a £14-0-0
 cheque. Mackin £10. Anderson £3-10. I leave 15/- out at home. G Hunter £10, Colled.

SAT 12 Done with Hughes lot for the present - 87 ewes & 2 rams. Shook a boot
 on 2 ewes bad with foot rot, put them back on Hughes. A change of weather. Pictures tonight

SUN 13 Rain all day. No one came across went except at night. Eva & Mam but no church



MON 14 Rain all day long, creek up to bridge, flows down country, today we from
 Pakowhai to say "don't come, road flooded". Mam & Eva separated this, as they did not
 intend to go today. Today John out in the rain with guns, shot a rabbit on bank.



TUE 15 Rain, creek down, stopped on batters - continued - between turnips and flat.
 Telegram from Mr. Hunter £10. Will see settlers in Newwood on Thursday night. Tonight
 Mam & Eva motorca Dun and 2, a welcome home to Soldier House. Received £14-0-0
 from J. Hutchinson for dipping in the past. A rough dark winter night.



WED 16 A fine day, out up to township, in office Mr. Thomson commiserated with
 Mr. Karaman and she with those settlers who have wives to their houses, letting them
 know that a meeting will be held in Ludman Hall Thursday night in which
 Mr. Hunter £10 will be present. Mam & Eva informed many settlers. Ken went to
 Mahotekin Lake, prices as usual. Rats over River's and walked over Moore
 sheep or not have a change, some with foot rot. Got Bank slip for £10-3-10 for a
 bale of belly wool lately sold by Williams & Kella.







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TH 17 A fine day, dug drain behind and through shopyard. John & Freddie went shooting beyond Gamble, got 2 pigeons and he went of a dinner, home at dark. At night Mr. Hunter &c came and met Constituents in Lutheran Hall, a good crowd of citizens, several local and other matters discussed, was in chain w. Mam Eva and 4 or 5 other ladies in sidewalk at big fire, cold night, hot tea cake w. in abundance handed round and enjoyed, a good pleasant meeting.

FR 18   Another very fine day. Mr. Hunter was seen walking past to An. Ormond - Eva motored him to Nicholaisson's, came back and with Mam & Arthur motored to Pakowhai. She took with her two cheques for £100 to place in P. O. savings Bank to her credit. Went with John to Wills, got in bills, hoggets and daggled them - 23 and six, total 29 in small paddock near road at present, with them 5 sows and a ewe of S Higgins. Motored cows - 257 and dressed many of their hoofs - the lame ones. Put 30 in fresh grass paddock part of shed, 100 on Gunderson's and remainder in middle paddocks, latter not in many places but grand feed, hill paddocks now to have a spell, bit bare.

SAT 19 Sifted grassed over in big shed and carted it home in phaeton. John ploughed   corner - we shock the mixed seed - a little cocksfoot and rye and lucerne with the silea seed and harrowed it in. Cold tonight, last night very much so.

SUN 20 Up late milked 3 cows John milked hard blue heifers and then went   with Michael Gurginaky to the mountains shooting, game rich. After dinner rode to Uncle's, past knowing anyone. Mary stays here. Saw Fred, seems coming well.

MON 21   A fine dry day, washed and hung hams and bacon shoulders. Washed   all manure together about stockyard. Gam now chopped up turnips to pig he   is grateful and clean up his trough. John shifted the 20 cows off Hughes rope on to hill rope - fresh with the other 40 on new 2nd growth. Friday for pigeon pie dinner and then all went to Rosewood stock sale which was duller than usual. Sent a pound to Tom Tothergill for some Church perfume, usual bag & letter from Mam at Pakowhai, they are all well and enjoying life.

TU 22 A fine bright day, chopped 5 wattle rails in pig paddock for temporary gateway going out of Reserve into Marnie. Put a streamer in there, did not finish before dinner, and then a wire from F Selby to say he was coming at 2 PM. Got in ewes off rape and ewe lambs off turnips. Five lambs only worth taking and 61 ewes. - on flat tonight. 29 ewes back on rape 11 clean lambs on turnips. 6 secured amongst other ewes lambs 5 new lambs on turnip tops. One small bought lamb died last night. Mr. Mackenzie with F Selby today. May be able to track on Thursday. Freezing tonight.

WED 23 Dark cloudy day, rain threatening, some in the evening. Completed gateway and shodged horse tails. John carted in firewood and took the 61 ewes & 5 lambs from here at 3 PM to Diamond-gate, will not get away until 9 AM on Thursday. News from the front - Hindenberg's line broken with big losses. Russia backsliding.

TH 24 A very fine day. John touched the jets at Diamond. He felled the tree in sheep plantation that overshadowed the holly tree. Got in Reserve sheep, ewe lambs mostly, just dogged them in back shed. 6 small, right lambs also ewe ewe lambs. Alice & Charley.

FR 25 Dogged all lambs except 11 on Reserve flat. On turnips 49 ewe lambs, 10 ewe lambs. On rape 31 ewes. On flat 57 ewe lambs & small lambs. John got in a cut of Back sheep for Reserve to winter on. Found a shabby dead strange lamb, skinned it for usage. Letter from Eva. Home Sat.

SAT 26 A wintry day, a bad cold getting better. Half a day in bed. John chopped plantation felled tree, firewood, turnips for pig & Marnie Eva & Arthur home at 3.30. Postures

SUN 27 In the evening went with Mam & Eva to Urchar. With mam stayed, Eva came

MON 28 Eva came to Urchar for us. John & Freddy drove to Takapua. Thompsons bought a good double furrow plough for £6-5. Went again with Mam to



TU 29 John crutched 10 ewe Hoggate. Killed fat Lamb. Stayed today then came with Eva



WED 30 Came home. Mam stayed. Got Sears cheque 78-7-3. 61 ewes at 24/5 lambs 24/3 Mr. Fulton & son here last night, by staying. Mr. Highfield takes home at 3 PM. After tea went down with Eva. Found that Uncle passed out at 5 PM.



FRI A very rough day, cold and showery, went to Corcoran with Mr. Wilson & Selby and others obtained a new Plot adjoining the other and instructed R. Bealson where to dig the grave. Evening wet and cold, we stayed the night. D. Merdy and Railway porter came with coffee into which we placed coffee, and placed it in sitting room opposite easement, easily removed into hearer.



JUNE 1ST FR A beautiful dry day after yesterday rain but cold. Chopped firewood in. Many visitors came soon with wreaths. The ladies examined the beautiful Coffin.



Funeral at 3.30. Mr. J. Thompson from Ohio and Mr. Burd came by express. Mr. Tournear Hill and Alf in their car and C. L. Smith in car. Tournear & Lura returned after funeral. Tom Hawkins and C. L. Smith stays tonight. I. Thompson Hotel. We came home with our belongings and had tea here after many days below.



SAT 2   Butchered the remainder of the woolly ewe lambs & put on Flat. Got in the 30 ewes off back paper. Butcher Taylor came and picked 16 at 25/6. 14 left now on Flat and woolly lambs on turnips. Went with Mam & Eva to Auntie's.

SUN 3   A white frost, cold morning at Quince. All went to Church at 8.0. Came home at 8.30. With Eva fed and milked, only 2 heifers at night. John shot 5.

MON 4   We took 2 pair of geese and 18 ewes to Newwood Sale. Geese fetched 10/ each pair, a goose and gander in each box. The ewes fetched 18/6. Mr. P. C. G. asked me to afternoon tea, Nelly Marlow and Mr. Fountain there. Very fine day.

TUE 5   Paid J. Riggs 4/ a bill from H. D. & owners O. G. Damskiwka. Butcher took his 16 pair.


WED 6   Frosty morning fine day. Hollins came to catch. John got in 207 ewes off hills - the flock, put them through just before dark and drove them back again. Got in Reserve ewes 50. in shed tonight. Mam & Eva with Auntie & Ella to Vaughan's.


THU 7   Butchered Reserve 50 and put back. Ditta Midruppe 16. Got in 299 off back and butchered & put back some. 50 in shed tonight. Rams in yard. Reserve 50 lambs. Our ewes in good condition & good lambs. Mam paid with P. H. Chequer.

Four small bills and she & Eva went to Corcoran to judge's lollies. Sent cheque 4.5 to Williams & Kettle Box 176 Sapin for double furrow plough bought at Auction.


Another white frost and fine day finished watching the ewes, and to Rowney farms. On flat 20 ewes 8 rams. m. a. 2 lambs. Paid W. Hollins £1-10. H. Mortimer came for his ewe and carted her home. Mam & Eva motored to Hannuwide, Hill £11-0. Chagan cashed at Mackies she paid C. L. Nelson 4-9-9 Williams & Kettle £1-7-9 and Mackie as Agent for Thomas Spence.

Return from Mrs. Kettle for 2 skins or pellets sent with bale of Bellics - 5/6.

FRI 8  Moonlight night. Aha up at 4 AM and off to the mountains with gun and B. Engelbation, saw pigeons, too wild to wait to be shot, brought home 0. M. E. carted gravel from Brown gate to yard, hollow places want filling up. Got in lambs off turnip tops. Killed ewe, Madam's Grant & black & Ella Grant called. O. Lona took away his 3 parts of wool. Mam & Eva out at train Mrs. Yulton.


SAT 9  John dugged and shifted the small lambs over at Wills & split finished. Barted gravel to yard and put a load down at road. Pictures tonight.

SUN 10 A fine dull calm day. Mam & Eva at Offerson Church & Mrs. Walker. After church Mrs. W. allows Shibley Bros. had afternoon tea with us. we then motored to Canters & Ellob.


FRI 11  A thorough wet day. John got pilly shot. Eva rode down to Clontia. Hill £14-9-9 from Macraipa Farmer Co. of 40 lbs for 15 ewes at 10/ and 6 geese at 4/ each. Dan. Chagan Papers full of great victory. The Massives battle. A. D. are disting. wisher themselves was Australians too. Nationalists (Irish) took 1000 prisoners and Uhlmann 1000. The Massives reckoned the place impregnable after 2 1/2 years work, was quickly demolished.


TU 12 Rain all day floods down country, we read of hundreds of dead animals being washed down the rivers, Pakowhai in a bad way, no par and rain continues. Our creek nearly up to bridge, bad weather for stock. Paid Mackies bill £4-17-11

WED 13 Rain again today, creek down, seems to be clearing. At Horaki, floods down country.

TH 14  No rain, sea water over paddocks, found in Wills a first class we drowned in creek. John skinned and brought meat skin home also rails from house and carted up them boards to repair roof. Mam & Eva went to Hannuwide, at Nelson to Lendoy. On tonight. Thousands of sheep lost down country. Three men missing fearful flood.


- MAY 28** A fine day after a pretty night. Worked at 4 rail fence near woolshed. John carted in firwood etc. Yesterday put the two calves - 2 months old - into the turnips so we feed them once a day. Willy and Ella for dinner, came up by coach, Eva & Mam visited them round Kipua way amongst the soldiers settlement, and back to Ormonville. A letter from William Skelton to say our bale of matted fleeces was sold at 15s per lb.
- MAY 29** A very fine day, got in Hughes ewes and picked out 21 of the worst to be offered at Monday sale; put 2 for dogs meat in meadows and 64 of the best back on Hughes with 1 sd and 1 Romney, none not taken out yet. 99 ewe lambs on turnips and amongst them lambs for killing.
- MAY 30** Took out bluestone needle train and packing on flat & dressed ewes had her Eva found dead on back, sledged her home, good skin, must have got hurt at crutching, plucked her lamb, very good ewe, she sledged days in or to meadow.
- JUN 17** A dark calm day, a little rain in the evening. All hands motored to Makareka Church at 2.30 and Joan Rebecca was baptised by Rev Whibley & the children at
- JUN 18** A dry breezy day. John took 21 ewes in lamb and 34 lambs to Kowiriwa sale. Sold the lambs - some of them very small - for 10p each, the ewes brought back home. Mr. Hill came and put large boards on house, soldered & put up sprouting on back of big shed and started to make door for Campbell. W. Fortibauer sharp tonight.
- JUN 19** A dry breezy day. Mr. Hill finished car door and Eva motored him home.
- JUN 20** John & Willy, Torkishan drove to latter place, carted home pig. Motored with Mam & Eva in search of clean shingle - to S. Anderson's Gunwira & Manawatu, not easily got.
- JUN 21** Got in Reserve ewes, amongst them a 50 lb lamb, the only one there, killed him for her.
- JUN 22** John grabbed out remains of turnips which the sheep left, two pigs to feed. Worked at woolshed yard, hung small gate in. Sent 2nd call to Torkishan Oct 2.10. Thomas W. Deakes, Box P.O. Box 759 Auckland. Mam & Eva motored to Alice's.
- JUN 23** A calm cloudy day finished enlarging yard at woolshed. John carted in firwood. Alice and Charley came. At night Mam & Eva at Ormonville - Mr. Allan

 A calm, still, dark day, worked at Eva's garden fence and cut off and carted to shed one of hayrack in turnip paddock. John wire-netted black end of turnips and put the lambs on it. Holworms of N.D. names in the papers of killed and wounded, some local ones. Tonight Mam and Eva gone to hear a woman in top township speak on some peculiar subject.

JUN 23  Dull calm forenoon. Eva dug some in her garden. Douglas here. Steady rain, set in.



JUN 24 Rain today. Mr Whitley called & Mam & Eva entered with him to afternoon church.

JUN 25 A fine day, punishing, the hottest days now. Worked at Eva's garden fence. John at

 firewood getting. Found Ober's sale. He Vaughan looked on, he Alice & Olie called.

Another long list of wounded. A. Deakin and a second. Bamboo boy killed. Mam & Eva at Alice's


JUN 26 Another wet day, sudden change last night. Olie Chessie put to sleep by John.

 JUN 27  A very fine day. Rec^d yesterday for 34 lambs sold at Koroowana £17

less 12p. Commission from W. Farmers. Rec^d today receipt from Fort Lister Co^{rs} for £2.10


a second call. John went to look on at Makolukru Dale. Piggers farm not sold

M^r and Mrs Allen called. John burnt a old mare and made sheep crossing hills


JUN 28  A white frost this morn fine day. finished journal (Eva's garden) Eva digging.

John repairing fence. Pigger-turnips, he sent another amount of £50 to Savings B

by Mam, she cashed the £40 & Maierapa Farmers Cheque and attended ladies meeting

JUN 29  A fine calm cloudy day, rain threatening, came on at night continuous


& and heavy. Mam went collecting for red & fura, got a little in most places. He usual

 miserable rotten gave tonight. She and Eva at a Patriotic meeting tonight.

Killed pig this morning, light weight, one left, enough to fatten. Eva's fence completed.

John laid posts and worked at look-out fence. More Hawke Bay boys killed in drama

JUN 30 A fine forenoon, a windy, wintry afternoon. M^r Cyril Parsons called and gave Eva

 her first visit to lesson. She Mam Arthur & Sam entered to Lammie's and got M^r Nelson to stop a small leakage in car. A cold drive going and coming. Pictures tonight all gone from house except Biddy and her mare and self.

SAT

A breezy windy day. John went to Gundarsens and brought home our black milking heifer that the Gundarsens had the use of for a few months also brought her well fed calf with her. These calves now on the turnip tops & rape. Marn & Eva went to Alice's and brought back a couple of young Malife trees.

MON 2nd Anniversary of the day we were tied for "butter or the other thing". It was a fine day and a beautiful night also a big crowd. Today fine a bit breezy John and Eva took to sawwood pole & heifer in calf and a 3 year old steer. £4.1.0 his for and refused for steer, heifer sold, four for £10.7.6, two at £8.2.6 £67.0.0 his heifer brought back. Auctioneer had no faith in purchaser financially, retain cattle until

TU 3rd A day breezy day, day poles in which to plant trees in corner of potato paddock in Reserve. Eva sledged out netting and short telese posts and poles through sharp John storm a day saw that was very lame from footrot. At tea time Ear Schaar came with chaff cutter, not expected, cuts tomorrow. Marn & Eva at Alice's

WED 4th A busy day prepared chaff shed for holding, laid sheets of galvanized iron on bottom carted 2 loads of calcheaves or rather straw from carted to machine, and jacked some in woolshed to machine. 24 sacks of chaff tipped into shed. Freddy & Michael carted up 3 loads of his calcheaves and had it cut, carted home 2 loads of chaff. The onion played havoc with our sheep very few grains of oats left. rain stopped us in the afternoon for more than an hour. Marn & Eva busy working for tomorrow's Red Cross, brought up bunches of holly & A letter from Mr. Baumgart in England, he would like to be in H.B. again.

THS 5th A calm cloudy day, a busy morning. Made up a case of mixed tea with spoonsful of earth attached and newspapers tied round most of them - young wattle gums oak and maple, a goose in a box for guessing her name. Eva guess, Marn and Eva bought up a back-wagon load - turnips flowers in, they spent the day there, and tonight all but one gone up again. Chaff cutting finished at dinner time. 24 sacks paid £1.17.6. Freddy's oat and carted home. Ours tipped into shed, numerous ewes, and 2 rams killed in woolshed, War Sun. Russians getting out and doing well.

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A calm cloudy day. Mam & Eva went up to hall with more swagons & bought home sundries. my box of bus unsole, bought by ourselves. Eggs from 1-14-6 brought in by 3rd guess's, name of goose "Daisy" guessed by two and won by Ella Grant. A cake bought in, by guessing the weight, & a guess £2. a doll £1-1 guessing name. Two sheep donated by Mr. Muckling a large amount, and 2 ton of chaff £3-10-0. The whole affair brought in £50 or more. Put up netting where trees are to be planted in Reserve and collected stakes in. The 10 budgets taken out and 11 rams put in their places in Reserve flat. John took in another section of green turnips and killed a lamb. Eva rode over Marnie. In Mam Mr. Miss Allen visits Mr. Oldshaw.


SAT 7th A Spring day, warm and mild, drove stakes fenced plantation and planted 4 4 4 some trees. Eva rode over paddocks & dug her garden. John returned Freddy's goods. **SUN 8th** A 70 year old swagman called for a job. Mam gave him a blow out & An outing to Grants & dinner, rode "Train". Mam & Eva to Church John & jam to "Archibalds".


MON 9th Mam got up late last night or fearful early this morning, washing done before some of us got up. Very fine day. day up sledged away and planted pine trees (span cross) in pine rope plantation, fenced and planted now with green pine withle also sowed John worked at lookout fence. Eva in her garden. A warm good growing day.


TU 10th Rain last night and this morning. Eva found another of Kells' ones drawn. This makes the 3rd. Think they went in after watercross. Mam and Eva involved to Alfred. Better accounts from front. Russians have made a vigorous offensive. Americans have stopped food and other materials from reaching neutrals for fear of it reaching Germany. Having 2 small fitches of last small pig. Saw today that poor Mr. H. H. Johnson died yesterday.


WED 11th Not a nice day, some rain and cold. Stayed in bed for half a day. Got better. John sledged horse drowned and rebinned it for days, he went to Makolaka. Sale £9-5 Received from late Rose Sim for hisifer sale, loss 7. Commission £2-9-3 Down from Mrs. 1 horse on goods purchased 2 1/2 and £1-5-10 Down same on show, cheque £3-10-0. Eva visited to Oldshaw for flowers to make wreath. Eva Johnson called.


 The Funeral of Mr. W. M. Thomson today, was one of the Pall-bearers, & others. A long string of vehicles - the longest seen in Newwood. day cool but dry. Eva & Mam escorted to the house in the forenoon with a beautiful wreath, numerous others. A Malena in charge. Hears from Denmark. C. Malena's sale. Evie fetched 2 - John killed a young calf for Gundersen in the forenoon before he went to funeral.


FRI 13  A fine day after frost. took down all wire netting from ground plantations to be used now round freshly planted trees to keep hares out. John blowing up stump top of turnip paddock. Hoggats cut hay well out of racks in turnip paddock. £80-10-0 put to my account in D. Bank by Williams Keith, proceeds of sale of matted wool, 12 1/2 to and fadge opened and regraded by them at 2/6 per lb. and put into three lots.


SAT 14  Another fine day after the frost. put wire netting round new plantations. John stumping. Eva found good ewe calf far away on Back. John sledged in & paid


SUN 15  A thorough wet day and steady rain at present - 8 pm. Yesterday ^{Monday} saw Molly was brought in with her red heifer calf. Also 2 heifers in milk with bull, then


MON 16  A fine sunny day after yesterday's downpour. John took the 6 refuse hie ^{or rather delivered}, to the returned soldier'slager, heifers to W. Farmers sale. Four fetched £10 7-6 each, two £8 6-0 each. Glad to get them off the feed. Mam, Eva, Grace, Arthur & Joan escorted to Alice's. Sent paper to The Farmers


TUE 17  A fine day. did some Consulting about water tank. Hoggats put loc on turnips. John carted out stockyard manure on meadow. Paid Anderson £4 5-0


WED 18  A mixed pot of day. tidied up woolshed and experimented with gravel from Brown Gate and cement at tank. John killed lamb and finished carting out stockyard manure to meadow. Mam & Eva at red & black


TH 19  A calm cloudy day. Hoggats off turnips for a change, put in shed paddock made a gate in woolshed. Alice & Charby and N. Torkilson came. John & Willie sawing firwood on flat. Elounght Ping Pong, Freddy included. Eva yesterday pulled a wire out of Marrow creek just in time, poor thing all of a tremble.

 Sledged gate out Reserve - Marnie fence, strainer not very good to hang to. John & Willy Farkilson sawing firewood on flat, rain at mid day stopped all.


SAT 21  Fine fence over broken afternoon, worked at gateway strainer to put it in order to hang gate on. John & Willy worked until dinner time, rain at mid day. Willy went home in phaeton. John brought back 2 packets of river gravel to make concrete. Marn & Eva motored to Crom² and to post office tonight. The tea.


SUN 22  A thorough wet day, up in time for dinner. Eva rode through sheep, if any get down'd it would be her fault. Rev Whibly and the Bishop called. Eva & Marn motored down to Church in the rain, had afternoon tea here and Marn & Eva took them to Quantico where his Lordship had tea & was enroute to Makelata Church & back to that by

MON 23  A fine day after yesterday's rain, hung gate and strainer up wires etc. Sawmy took clipped Tizic & Lilly pair of, Eva turned hand to. John killed ewe for dogs. Two round sheep found one east on Hughes, No² from Kairarapa 50 15 6 with. Farmers Co-Op. Marn 12 for 2 heifers in calf 41 50 and 2 at 14 12 0

TU 24  A fine day. Marn Tizic to township, changed John's cheque at Mackies for £5. Sent letter to Shermonds Esq^r Hastings with 20p enclosed for one pullet & packet of beans, letter to Manager Union Bank of Australia with ~~£100~~ £100. Letter to Manager Kairarapa Farmers Co-Op Area offering 50 ewes in lamb to 20 some for meat. Sawwood sale. Sawed overhanging branches on oak trees in Reserve by road. John went to W Farkilson's with mares & express and sawed some bottom etc.

Mrs Hastings and Mrs Duncan came for Rev Whibly's horse & gig. Eva & Marn at Allend.

WED 25  A fine day. Daily Dairy Factory went. Usual business. Motored up a mt down. W Farkilson for dinner. John & family phaetoned to Takapanu.

After factory meeting, Farmers Union Delegates from Dannevirke attended & addressed the meeting etc. about 40 members enrolled. Pica Secretary Stella L² &
TH 26  Fine calm dull day. Marn & Marn grassed on burnt patches on flat. and on lawn, gave hay to hoggies. John at Farkilson's. At night Bill Dayby & Marn played ping pong last night at Koroowood lady tea where played much.

Thin sheeting all day, came on steadily at 4 PM cleared at 8 or so then
and Eva did not go to Ngamate as intended. Eva gathering for Y.M.C.A. has a box
for the purpose. Ma Grant collecting on this road, gave her £1. Others gathering.

SAT 28 Much rain fell today. Sent bulls of tickets to Wellington and Chgo £2-10

SUN 29 Got in lambs off turnips and killed a fat one. Picked out 30 of the worst of
Wills ewes and put them in flat paddock, advisable to sell them at next sale.
Eva collecting up Garfield way for Y.M.C.A. Knapped up a dozen or more young
wattle lambs for J Hughes, and a few young gums. Russians retreating. Pictures

JUN 29 Motorcar to J Hughes Pua Pua could not see the ground for logs
and stumps, hard fetches big price must be for firewood, and not many miles
from Darnovika. Heavy showers, had a good outing for all hands, Fiddy to

MON 30 A thorough wet day, could not think of driving the 60 ewes in hand
that we intended to offer at Nowwood sale. Eva through sleep, rescued a ewe in
Reserve wrapped in long fern near creek, saw a ewe in Reserve with a lamb and
two on back with singles also, did not expect any for a few more days. In practice

TU 31 July goes out favourably a spring day, grass slight growth. John drove the
ewes off meadow on to Hughes 4 acres. Eva round sheep. A showman got
his car stuck on roadside beyond our gateway. Charley Schmidt pulled him out.
Stuck up tall barriers inside yard for nothing to keep horses from pulling sheep

WED 1 AUGUST 1917

A white frost and fine day, Eva found another ewe drowned in Morn
a lame ewe on turnips has a lamb today. John at stumping and firewood
Eva collecting for Y.M.C.A. Finished netting at yew tree. Sent 4th 5th 12th
for 25 wool packs at 4/6 each. Sent Mr Thomas Warren with "The News" and a "Life".

TH 2 An August day, dark and threatening, ewe with single on flat. Hedges
put on turnips again - 12th looking well. John skinned down a ewe, a very good skin
brought meat home. Rain set in this evening, heavy and continuous, but for home
Morn & Eva at a "Send Off" to A. Anderson tonight



Shows today, ground saturated, pressed bale of crutchings. C Schmitt's team took it, two bundles of skins (25) and a bag of horsehair to Concordville. Eva found another ewe drowned, John skinned it, another pair of twins, one at taken home for dogs, decided to fence off creek, the only remedy. John called at Hollins to engage him to fence, gone away for a week. Mr Walker has poles, ^{1/2} per

247 H A fine day, dug out a dozen or so cedar and birch posts for one of Mill's sections.

248 A John taking down and rolling up wire. Ed saw posts not worth taking

249 5 A thorough wet day, continuous heavy rain, erect up nearly to bridge

Eva found one with twins, one dead another so brought in and brought round by drying in front of fire, able to suck a good quantity of milk tonight out of a baby's feeding bottle. John shifted hoggots off turnips. Luckily not many lambs coming.

250 6 A fine day after the rain and heavy ~~thick~~ last night, the heaviest for years. Much damage in other districts. John took the lamb to his

mother on Back. thinks she will take, he carted from Walkers and sloughed posts to new fence on Mill's, ground saturated, he split good cedar posts near fence line. Mr Walker is selling us 100 posts - birch and hemlock for \$6-0-0

Mr Whagg lectures tonight in F Hall, three of us gone to hear him explain.

251 7 A day for working, only a few light showers. John laying posts shifted the hoggots on to the turnips. Put in two steamers and stayed some. Sam & Eva at Allens

252 8 A thorough wet day, rough on stock, only one or two fresh lambs, but above. John found one cast, he put hoggots off turnips again. Eva found as usual in the rain; one & 1/2 she gathered for the Y.M.C.A. She went over \$13. other gatherers smaller amounts. They encountered some very mean shabby people. One will be as sheep farmer's wife with much cash, in receipt of yearly blood-money, no family - just 2 of them, gave 8?

253 9 A several heavy showers. Bert's layabreters worked with us, nearly a strain of posts put in and 2 wires on, muddy disagreeable work. Eva went to Concord with flowers and sent them to Wellington for Patriotic purposes. A few more ewes on back, with twins.

FR 10 A day without rain. Put in 2 sheaves near Le Garth's fence with Bertha and posts and ran out some wires. John killed Lamb, shifted nothing in turn, and fixed up a ewe on flat - the same one. Eva through ewes, more twins back.

SAT 11 A white frost and fine day. John filled the earthquake cracks in one of the chimneys with cement mortar and relayed displaced bricks on top. He worked at fence in the afternoon, three strains of posts in, two more to do.

SUN 12 Eva sprayed some of the fruit trees and went through sheep as usual. Mam went to Pakowhai of a sudden. Mr. Mackie gave her a ride in his car. Mr. Mackie's bill paid with a cheque of Johns for £11. Mr. Walker £6 for 100 posts.

SUN 12 A dark threatening day, no rain. John & Eva through ewes, lambs coming slowly.

MON 13 Working on the last and nearest strains, all good digging, not many wet holes, a dry day, very high wind afternoon. Mam home train and coach. **TUE 14** A thorough wet day. Eva found a 6th ewe drowned, rode twice along creek today. John found and skinned a two tooth ewe dead in Watercraze, ground again saturated. Several ewes with twins in each paddock except Hughes.

WED 15 Rain during forenoon, afternoon rolled up bank wire and laid, repaired number of wires along first short stream etc. John skinned ewe - a very good one that was drowned yesterday and went over paddocks. Eva rode over as usual and saw some fresh lambs. Mr. Highfield paid rent to Eva. \$2, paid up to 1st.

TH 16 A fine day, put in posts in very wet muddy pushy ground. Strain next new red gate, ran out dragged wires etc. Bertha finished today, 5 days. At night went with Mam & Eva to spend evening at Grants. Sherry called here last.

FR 17 A fine day. John found a ewe dead in creek, drowned - the same. Put on wires and skinned up two strains of 6 wires. Eva sledged old gate to new gateway and rode over paddocks, saw many ewes with twins.

SAT 18 A mild calm Spring day, finished straining all fences, am told Roy Thomson lost 8 ewes in Hollies creek, he has leased the paddock. Eva carted in a mound of firewood. All but one of the family at pictures tonight.

MON 20 A nice spring day, lambs coming freely. John attending to them, remainder of us motored to Aunties. Called at H. Howlings, he paid for fat sheep - £25 - 0 - 0

TUE 21 A spring day, filling up to under fence. Eva found big cow on Wills east out for long, very much ailing, unable to walk, sledged her home. She also found one of our ewes drowned in reservoir creek caught by a lawyer. John busy amongst ewes & lambs, mothering etc. Killed a lamb for home use. Morn & Eva at Altham.

WED 22 Heavy gate over Riv. to Gault's fence, filled up great part of fence. Eva got 2 ewes with their twin lambs into Morn's calf paddock's good part. Skinned ewe that was drowned in Reservoir, 6 tooth fat splendia ewe, all but 2 at Wills.

TH 23 A nice forenoon, wet mostly afternoon and night, lambs coming regularly. Eva has put many ewes with twins in small paddocks at Wills. She put on 2 rows of early potatoes in her garden. She & Morn paid 9.14.20 to Mr. Kerwood an as rent for Hughes section. All dead mutton boiled for pig.

FRI 24 A cold showery day, took wire off two Morn's plantations, used them on new fence. Lambs coming steadily. At night, Moses caught by Brewer Grant, pigging. The big cow sledged in from Wills died last night, skinned same for pig.

SAT 25 A good day finished fence except to put on battens. John & Eva put 2 ewes with their twin lambs on the sale. A letter from E. R. D. Anson, Darnworth Publishing Co wanting receipt for 15/- sent one on 30th June (as interest on 15 shams) and his letter was put away out of my reach. All but 2 of us at Pictoria tonight.


SUN 26 No church today, medium forenoon, bitter evening. Motored to Auntie's.


MON 27 A fine day for lambs and for Kerwood sale, went up, did not buy. Took manges grassed on lawn on 2 or 3 barelooking places & took manure. Eva gave two fat lambs to Morn's M. Donald and Irving's. A 3 tooth ewe we have penned up with her lamb, takes but won't allow lamb to suck.


Windy and cold in the forenoon, pleasant afternoon, took Fazio and sledges over Mann's hills to pick up posts and battens, took load home. Eva met Miss Oldershaw at railway with car and took her home. John amongst wires & stumps and getting double furrow plough's ready.

A letter from Mr Neich and one from Mr A L Baumgart, both in England.

WED 29 Eva putting Mann's turns into small paddocks w. Sledges battens off old line on to new fence. Mr Mackin delivered sack of potatoes & of oats. borrowed Mr Walkers grey horse and John & Friday started to plough rape hill, heavy work going up hill for horses. At night teachers at ping pong.

TH 30  Repaired Ridges road fence. John ploughing. Eva rode over all paddocks on Filly & Tracy, brought in motherless lamb. At Allon tonight.


FR 31  August goes out well, nice calm day finished repairing road fence.

 A South Down ram, good overall, died today, could find no reason.


Sent by Eva to Newwood P.O. a cheque for War Loan Certificates £100. 2. 6

Eva draws money from Savings Bank and lends it for same purpose tomorrow.

A concert and send-off to 3 soldiers: Hutton, Halliburton and Hurst.

 SEPTEMBER

SAT 1st A nice spring forenoon. Rain set in at midday, windy evening, good moonlight.

 Shock sackful of orange grasses on lawn in the rain on Loris's place.

Mamma 8.0 am and boiled him for pig. We have a 2 tooth ewe, very fine of her breed.

but will not let him suck unless pruned up, has been for six nights swimming.

Sent to N. B. Farmers Fertilising Co Auckland a cheque for £2. 10. 6

Sent to H. B. Farmers Meat Co, Whakatana cheque £5. 0. 6 (ten shares applied for)

Eva received fifty pounds worth of War Loan Certificates for £40 paid in by her.

She brought one Certificate worth £125 for cheque £100. 2. 6 paid into P.O. yesterday.

Eva found on Hughes a poor lame ewe with pair of good Romney lambs, she has no

milk. John brought both lambs home. Lew Bottack has a good pea huffer calf

feels like a short horn. Pictures tonight. Love of us at home. ^{sent voting paper} Whakatana

SUN 2

~~MON~~ High wind last night and this forenoon, then rain set in & continued. Eva brought in weak lamb from good mother, after recovering took it back. She sledged in from Mills 2 ewe ewes, both too far gone must be skinned. Mr. Whibley called, Marn & Eva went up to church with him and back for dinner. The 2 tooth ewe after a weeks punning up, lets her lamb suck, is now good mother.

~~TUE~~ A wet miserable day, bad for young lambs, many twin lambs died last night. Eva brought in some weak lambs, which were nearly dead, by pulling them near the fire and giving them a little warm milk. They came round and were taken back to their mothers. John skinned the two ewes which were sledged in from Mills yesterday, both would have twin lambs.

~~WED~~ A fine day, cut up and baled 2 carcasses for dogs skins. Eva brought paddocks just sown twins in small paddocks and a couple of skins on lambs which were mothered ^{at Allen's}. John ploughing in the afternoon finished hill and made a start on 6 acres, Marn & Eva. The War Loan of twelve millions required over subscribed, near or up to 16.000.000.

~~THUR~~ A fine day for pig-killing, lambing or travelling. Fred Stompet motor'd up from Hastings. He killed the pig before dinner & John ploughed in the afternoon. Eva twin gathering as usual, she found one of our ewes occurred ~~in~~ in the creek in the ploughed ground, should have been shifted days ago.

~~FRI~~ A September day, rain & wind in the morning, very high wind all day. Cut up pig and put in salt. Tea over her paddocks, John also and was-netted a new piece. Skinned the ewe - a good one - that was drowned near ploughed ground. This morning early Anderson's store and the Crown Hotel were burnt down, total loss.

~~SAT~~ A fine day after the high wind, strained up the last wire on fence and sledged material to broken culvert and to make a small bridge over creek near Posters & Garts. Miss Coughley for tea and she went with Eva and Marn to Ormond's concert. John ploughing, at night he and Freddy went on Motor bike to Darn wind to see pictures or some foolery.

SAT 8 A fine spring forenoon, wet afternoon just culvert over east of dyke
 and repaired broken culvert in paddock, laid some battens on fence.

Mam Eva Grace and children went to Dannewicks. John & Freddy carted in hay
 and did some ploughing. Gave Mam cheque for £2. cashed at Bank's.

SAT 9 A nice dry day all at home except John & Freddy who went to the
 mountains and brought home 3 pigeons, left one hanging up. Mr Clark phoned.

MON 10 Wet forenoon, afternoon sledged posts wire away from far end Wills.

TU 11 A fine calm forenoon, rain threatening. John ploughed until dinner time
 then rain set in and continued. Rode over Widedrups and Back, nice
 picking for sheep, cattle poor, did not see any fresh lambs. Gave Mam £11-0
 cheque to pay Blackie's ten pound bill. The Eva Grace & bairns and Freddy
 motored to Dannewicks, could not get car-machine cleaned, must
 appoint a day. Mr Grant has taken over Mr Simpsons drapery business.

WED 12 A September day, showery and cold. Freddy biked for home at 9.30 John
 walked over back, big dead lamb near Riggers fence, a pair of newly dropped
 ones on ridge, Eva over Wills. Fixed up ewe on oats all right, 1 dead lamb and
 one alive. Mud everywhere, 5 horses to see about the place. Civil war in Russia.
 John made a fresh rack where hoggats get their hay. Made new gate in woadbed.

TH 13 Arthur's Birthday. 4 years today, no more crying to be done, many presents.
 John over back, ewe ewe with twins, ploughing in the afternoon. Eva over the
 Mannu, ewe with twins also. Etha & Maria came, Mr & Mrs Allen a fine day.

FRI 14 John swept or rather scraped with hoe dining room chimney, very much soot.

FR 14 Killed fat lamb. Sledged home from Resova 12 posts and limbs of oak trees
 removed some weeks ago. Eva saw a couple more young bears. We
 left dog 'Sp' at Chasdrans and brought their dog home here. Content tonight.

SAT 15 A very fine day. Sledged and laid battens on Mannu fence, only a
 few battens and bit of wire left in shed. chased ewe & lamb over De Garth's gate.
 had to get Eva & dog. John finished ploughing dry part of back & in paddock. Rode

FRI 14 A fine dry day. John saw one with twins on Watersaps. Eva did not see any in her paddocks - late comers. She, Mam and M. Whibley at Church and afterwards at Elks. Gave hay to hogs. They surround the rack & enjoy it. Grass showing up a bit in front and along fences, rest shut up in Marnie.

MON 17 A very fine day. John started ploughing on Hughes paper paddock, double & ~~triple~~ plough, & horse, carted out 3 packs of chaff some oats, baled hurdles wire netting stakes etc to site on flat for temporary yards for docking. Eva put ewes with twins from Marnie plus paddock, gardens etc into cow & son paddock, where there is very good feed. Tonight Mam Eva John Ella Mavis suspiciously examined

TUE 18 A very fine day. All but two mares to Hannister, got car engine changed. John ploughing the 2nd acre. Will came up by midday coach, walked over paddocks. He helped me finish temporary docking yard. Another big local passed out. ~~At~~

WED 19 A good day for docking, got in ewes lambs off oats, docked 63 lambs, ewes 44
 Got in Watersaps - ewes 141, lambs 112. Show Reserve 52 lambs, ewes 50

TH 20 John & Will got in Back sheep before breakfast, docked 316 lambs, ewes 270 left out in paddock 2 ewes, 2 lambs finished by midday. Then went to Marnie. Eva mustered Hill sheep and had them in yards for us and Gundersons in two. Docked off Hills 67 lambs, 79 ewes, left behind 2 ewes 4 lambs. Gundersons - 113 ewes, 103 lambs. Docked small paddocks yesterday 48 ewes 91 lambs. Put ewes running on Gundersons' side, on Hills and Hill sheep on Gundersons' side.

FRI 21 A fine breezy day, went down to Marnie in car with ham on one staple & and helped Will put on battens, finished before dinner and Will went home by 4 o'clock express, one of his ewes with a fresh single this morning. Mr Aldershaw with a lady visitor borrowed plow for this morning to go to Cromarty, it this evening. John ploughing on Hughes with Duke, Bona & Kelly.

SAT 22 A warm sunny day. Eva saw one with twins on Marnie & one single on Watersaps and a single in Back. John finished ploughing on Hughes. Mrs Aldershaw called looking for Top. John saw him following east 4 collie huns.



A fine sunny forenoon, cold evening and rain threatening. Friday for dinner John helped him to milk. Eva saw one Will's ewe into a paddock that is about to be ploughed. A few young lambs today, a twin lamb brought in, will be all right. Eva & Mary entered "Lip" home to Olanshaw's, went to Aunt's Man & Ma

Yondered the two ewes in lawn, docked their lambs and put them into meadow - 548

MON 24 A windy day, shifted stakes and wire setting on turnips, the best shift.

But hoggets off flat on to turnips, put sheep off oats on to flat. Cots eaten down to the ground. Hung two bacon fitches, went to Sorewood sale. much stock entered, all firms selling. Mr. Mackenzie looked over a number of Danawicks A & P. Association, must send a pound to Walter's Secretary. Saw Mr. Craig, Whakatu buyer and he speaks favourably about coming seasons fat lambs. Eva saw 4 or 5 fresh lambs in various paddocks. She got a letter from Willie Mackie in England. John ploughing one of Will's paddocks

TU 25 Another breezy day, docked 2 good meadow lambs - 550. Killed hog - 80

for home use. Took "Fina's" oblige out on "Manni". Buried skins, brought home load of old battens, chips, tools etc. Eva gardening & sheepfencing, she put ewes in between "Manni" fences along creek to eat down the fresh grass. John finished 3 acres

WED 26 Very high winds, Mr. Walker brought his horse over. John ploughed damp patch & oat paddock. Eva saw fresh lamb in Hughes. She gave lamb to boy Beatty. drinks well.

TH 27 Sid J. Vaughan called, bore home, sent "Fina" & borrowed his Dad's "Fina" sheep - 4-8 with a cheque for £8-10. Good rain in the afternoon. John did damp patch, old one did in meadow

FR 28 John drilled oats in wet patch, sorted hurdles back to Hughes. Auntie and Mr. Allen called, carted hay from stack for cows and gave hogg - some. Afternoon good rain

SAT 29 Docked Hughes - 59 ewes 1800 nom. 180. 46 lambs - 596. some ewes to horn to Eva sent shoes on mare. John went to dock at Bonds, but too wet, some rain. Pictures

SUN 30 A fine day. John went to Ngamoko Manawatu stream, brought home a brace. Maori & tea at afternoon church, then to Ota's. September has been good month

A A good day to start with. Digging in garden, put in Simon ones 10, wash of seed potatoes, put shaggy and manure with them. John & extra Lumsdaine's. Mam & Eva Grace & Jean went to Danversville. Baby's photo taken. Rec^d £1.0.9 from B. B. Farmers Meat Co Box 251. Hastings - a dividend on 10 shares & 2 paid up.

TUE **A** A very fine day worked in garden until going to Hughes in afternoon with jolly and sledges to bring home old dead ewe, lamb left. John ploughing single flat. Eva through sheep and gardening. She and Mam at M^{rs} Allens tonight.

WED **A** Anniversary of landing in N.S. Forty four years - from N.S.W. Busy today worked in garden put in potatoes grass beans. Sent £1 to Secretary N.S. Association, Danversville. Letter to M^{rs} & Kella to send ton of rape manure 17 cent Lumsdaine's & cut potato manure. Letter from M^{rs} & Kella, Cutchings sold, 9 1/2 pds.

TH A stud ewe in meadow with young ewe lamb yesterday, wanted a ram lamb.

FRI Lovely rain all forenoon. John went fishing up. Kymonds way. bagged 5. Afternoon got in load of hay with Finnie. Ewe on back, with twins.

SAT A fine sunny day. Mam & Eva motored to Turkapau and had tea seen to. Got load of slabs w/ at Hughes and carted dothing her also to gateways from where they were taken. Paid Carl Hitt's bill with cheque for £2.10.6 Yesterday L. Schmidt's man wagon delivered a ton of rape manure. bags in wooden

SUN A very fine day, put in grass and steamed wire - fence belt - gully plantation. Schmidt's teams brought a ton of rape seed - much finer manure than Grace, also 12 cent Lumsdaine's manure and 2 cut potato manure. Eva found ewe cast on Kiderup's.

MON Eva & John got in young horses off Dick and took a 4 year old jolly to Anton Jensen to break in. Mam & Eva at Rev^d Church tonight and at Wai for tea.

TUE Hauled to Hughes 3 bags manure when John is dividing the 42 acres for rape, with Duke Primis and Walkers grey. Carted in some 16 loads of hay with Eva. Only a small quantity left rough at bottom of stack. Paid Marquis bill £9.10 and 18 paid to Pickett. Sent cheque to M^{rs} & Kella for manure £14.9. Marquis & Pickett bill was paid with a twelve pound cheque. Finished plantation gully fence.

Started to bag rape manure to Hughes. This makes 2, each 120 wt each.
 Tuesday started to dig at dinner time on Will's 3 acres. Put over about 20 and
 their lambs off that out on Back and put meadow sheep on 7 hal. Meadow now
 cleared for the season. Took down last piece of wire setting on turnips. Hoggals
 now have the run of the piece, not much on it. Mam Eva & Lin Allen had in
 motor to see picture in Dann works tonight. Cold breezy night. Got 80 lbs
 of rape seed at Mackie's today, and a packet of parson's seed, put latter in.


WED 10 A calm day. John drilling rape seed at Hughes, did more than half
 of the paddock. Friday with disc on Will's. With Eva put 3 yearlings on
 rather six months old calves off turnips out on Back. Put in 2-pow potato garden
 Patriotic business in 7 Hall. Mam & Eva taking prominent part. a very wet night.


TH 11 A wet morning, rain all last night. Kept many back from Social & 14.
 taken last night. Sheep quarring - 6 to 8 dollar name not guessed. Dora 9 1/2 lbs
 weight of cake, same followed - all for red. John brought ball home from Sweet's
 paddock. One of our cows down - "Bobtail". Rain ceased in the afternoon, ground


FR 12 Fine calm day. Finished in garden, shady portion removed, not worth
 digging. Eva saw sweetflag, with tumor, a single through the left sheep for the day
 between fences, put out this evening. "All of them" went to M. Thomas, tonight Allen
 John finished drilling on Hughes. Tuesday with disc on Will's, used Duke
 and his own horse. Killed fat hoggal. Sent to Whakata abogues for £ 5-0-0. Mam



SAT 13 A frost this morning but Eva's potatoes were paper covered last night.
 Mam & John met Will's Genl Boyd & Betty at Con's express time.
 After dinner Eva mustered Marnie's paddocks and we doctored 15 lambs 26.0 total 27.0
 John and Tuesday on Will's 2 1/2 acres, finished harrowing and drilling. Pictures.


SUN 14 Frost again very fine day. Many of us enlaced with Will to Maun, opened
 gateway in peace. John fixing spawners way. Afternoon all but
 he and self, cleared for Pakohai. W. Black took mare and phanta. Omond



 **Tues** again, fine day, halving, rode over all paddocks, nice feed everywhere. John and Fuddy started to dig Hill paddock, ground in good order.


TUE 16  Another fine dry day, went up to Mackie's rent wire to Mill, about to Landtax, have mortgage deducted. Do not know if Commissions of Taxes will agree, no harm in trying. F. Selby came at midday and after dinner John went to Hastings with him. Fuddy at dig for half a day.


WED 17  Usual dry day, wind & some after a struggle, Blue terrible, took a long time. Gave new milk to two calves, dishes remained, gave them skin at night, one dead. Fuddy half a day again. Rode over part of Bank, saw one of our lambs for the second time on Sreath's side of fence amongst his hoggats, saw the mother on our side with bag of milk, rode over Hughes place in our fence wants seeing to - Adams boundary.


TH 18  A dry breezy day, no time to do much work, saw a chopua wood lying behind sheepyard, stowed to firewood heap, stowed & laid rails at fence from sheepyard to firewood.  Low "Boltail" round. Fuddy works housestaff day.

FR 19  A heavy shower early this morning, breezy day. All back from Pakowhai, via road over Maru. John went over back, got lamb out of Sreath's

SAT 20  A fine day for drilling - hill and way to finish today. Got in with  Lea & Tracie, no wind or of hay - over two loads, half ton of manure used today in this paddock. Sent 2 bundles of skins to W. & Skatch by C. Smith's team. Got Bank slip and sale account of bale hutchings, 11 1/2 per ton, bill amount 25-10-1.

SUN 21  A windy day, John & Archie drove up to Mackie's and brought dog "Dip" home to them. He came here yesterday. Men & two motorcars W. & Grant to see the in Hospital. Lanning's cottage was burnt down last night or early this morning, he is in London or about somewhere. Sent to P. B. that P. Whakatu's fresh call - £ 10-0-0

MON 22 A windy day, heard at 5 PM that there is a terrible fire in Dannevirke. Hotels and shops in ashes after blast, but John & writer go to see damage.  After returning a terrible ^{great} ~~great~~ fire of destruction was witnessed.

 Got in that sheep, asked 12 lambs = 600 = 145 shillings, bag, include

Boozy drying weather, the topic of conversation is the great conflagration in Dannwicks, started at 2.30 PM yesterday - Lohora Day, over 30 houses it is said were destroyed. No Dannwicks paper published today. There was plenty of water and Woodville Fire Brigade assisted, this lessened the great loss.

Killed a good hoggot yesterday. John with disc on back & acres. Started to put bridge across creek just above woolshed. Eva had chase after weasel. Miss

WED 24 A calm day sledged load of old human parts off Marna & finished bridge.



Marn & Eva misters Dannwicks, got oil - 2 drums, one hundred weight of white lead, ordered to get yellow ochre to come by train to Oron^{to}

TH 25 A calm cloudy day, rain set in at 10 AM and a soaking ensued.



much appreciated. Eva left Marna sheep in creek paddock last night and after much fresh feed then 2 got into creek and one of them drown'd, so they cannot be trusted for one night along creek paddocks. Sack of oats at 5/11 per bushel from Mackies. Went to Dannwicks with Marn Eva & W^o Grant to see Elka in Hospital, improving, thin but looks well. Saw destruction of town by fire burnt out of it, heavy rain. Paid L. D. Nelson's repair bill £2.0.0

Got in that sheep, ran off 20 ewes 19 lambs & put them on Hughes. 79 ewes there now, just 4 hoggot for killing in Reserve, put 122 woolly hoggots on that. Some lambs to dock on Hughes & Back

FR 26 Rain now & there today. John made a cot for Arthur & did some room papering. Eva sledges home good by ewe found drown'd in Marna creek, skinned for dogs.


Anton Svenson called to know price of young mare he is breaking in, ^{14/6} ^{evens 2nd}

SAT 27 Some rain today, good prospect of plenty feed. got in ³¹⁶ ^{Hoggs Reserve} Marnapa. 141.12 docked, got in Back ewes clamb - 19 longtails docked. Then Hughes 79 ewes, docked 8 lambs

A couple of longtails still out on Hughes. total docked 647 and ewes 596, 123. 10 names.


SUN 28 A calm warm day, at home all day. John up beyond To Kils and saw and talked to many neighbours, caught a fish for a neighbour. Marn Eva & Co at Oron under, two of them at Church afternoon.

NOV 27 A fine breezy day, repaired fence, shed paddock - flat, planted 2 young gum trees on side of creek in Reserve. Two saws on back with fresh tires, she left car with Rickall to repair a broken spring and helped John to dine in the afternoon. She changed ten pounds cheque at Mackies. Archie came back at midday. Terrible battle on hand between Italians and Germans & Austrians, latter numerous and using a new deadly poison gas than heretofore, Italians being driven.

NOV 28  Cabin cloudy day, some rain afternoon, did a little in garden. Seed, esp peas & beans & put in about row of potatoes. Car not fixed up yet at Rickalls.


Skinned a splendid hogget found dead on flat. Maon & Eva gone in phoeon to Allen


NOV 30 A good growing day, rain in the forenoon stopped intended drilling and ~~planting~~ sowing. John & Archie borrowed Mr. Donnell's roller yesterday evening. Put stakes and wire setting round vegetable patch in garden. Mr. Hansen


called in reference to Freddy's section which is to be offered for sale today in Dominion.  Mr. Watt made a start towards painting house, scraping off old paint etc.


This has been a good month for growth, some high winds, but enough moisture. All hogget see on flat now, turnips done a week or more ago, they are all right. Cows get a bit of hay still night and morning, are very eager for it, 5 of them.


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NOV 1  Took horse draygon pole to take out to Adrian's fence - Hoped, dug a strainer hole and put in a few posts when rain set in, we come home to early dinner as a promise was made to roster Archie up to hospital, per Mary. Afternoon showery, did not go back to work at fence. Good growing weather!

NOV 2  No rain, fine warm & calm, put in telars, phaeon & some telars posts.

 Mr. Watt painting. Maon, Eva & Archie went to Ngarni, to concert. Pat. Fountain

NOV 3  Killed a SD hogget in the morning before going out to Adrian's fence.


 put in posts & put on battens where required, one day more would one be a real good job of our part. Fruit tree Inspector gave us notice to spray.


No pictures tonight. Picture man did not come; penny saved.




A very fine day. John & Archie went to Ngamoko, caught half dozen geese.


Mam & Eva meant to take M^{rs} & M^{rs} Grant to see Ella in hospital, but car immovable

MON 5  A very fine day. Archie took coach for express. All hands potato planting.

 Put potato manure with each sack, finished by mid day.

Afternoon Eva rolling the back 6 acres, John drilling. Worked at Adrian's fence.


TUE 6  A calm nice day, finished fence - Hughes - Adrian, & carted home left


 our pieces, chips etc. Eva killed rape padlock & late oats, put down

ews on creek for the day only, John drilled 5 1/2 acre rape padlock, not six, back

and carted 2 long-tails - twins, on Hughes = 649, and show ewe that was


losing her fleece. Found ewe dead on Hughes in natural position. Red T. must


WED 7  John started to plough Reserve flat, double furrow, 3 horses, heavy rain set in and

 continued into night, good for sowing rape, a little paint washed off roof house.

A cold on chest or something causing pain, used bottle hung balsam. Boates and


Mam put on two mustard plasters, at short intervals, had good night's sleep.

TH 8  Chest seems all right, fine day, painting and ploughing going on.


 Young man from C. L. Nelson's come and electrified car, it is all

right now and ready to burn petrol. Bulla wool off dead sheep on Hughes

and found dry ewe dead between brown gate and stack, sledged and skinned.


FR 9  Repaired fence - Back - Adrian and carted in some firewood

John nearly finished ploughing Reserve flat. Mam & Eva got good bonus Mam,

SAT 10  Put a good lateral post in fence - Back. Adrian instead of a broken

and carted home firewood, worked a bit at culvert on flat - repairing etc.

Friday at work on Reserve flat with side John also with his. Pictures tonight

 Had some difficulty in starting car, all hands had to push for some time.

SUN 11 Mam & Eva visited M^{rs} & M^{rs} Grant to see Ella in hospital, she is improving, then

after coming back had tea at Grants, church - new Minister Grant. M^{rs} Clark lay ready

went in phaeton to Comond^{on} to hold services. Met Eva & Mam here on return. (Copy)

The usual fine day, made colder on flat, one nearest brown gate. Mr. Holden called and spoke on Hospital matters, is a candidate for No. 2000, will vote for him on Wednesday next. John & Freddy with six each on Reserve flat. Eva went back.

TU 13 Fine weather continues. F. Adrian called to borrow 3 woolpacks. Agreed for him to shear his flock here at end of week. Eva & John finished the harrowing rolling & drilling Reserve flat. Traveller Frank H. Perrett Representative for the National Sheep Dip Co. called, agreed to take 50 shares in the Co. Paid deposit of twenty five Pounds. This mans birthday is on the same date as Gertrude, letter from her today. Cleared out woolshed & threw four or five bucketfuls of water on floor. John returns a M^d. roller.

WED 14 Dry breezy day, swept out chaff & from woolshed, red & with Eva to Marnie, foot rolled the same on in particular very bad & maggoty. one ram dead. In the afternoon motored with Mam to Library, we voted. Paid J. Mackies bill of £2.25 odd with a cheque for £2.25-0-0. John in turnip paddock preparing to plough it. Eva cut thistles with machine.

TH 15 Birthday, only seventy-four. Got in Reserve sheep, picked 20 hogg and killed for home use, only 3 left. One of the woolly hogg on flat has a lamb; hope it is the only one. Spent greater part of day cleaning & p-woolshed. Rain this morning will stop Adrian from shearing in our shed. At the Hospital election J. Holden an easy first. he votes for him in House & at the others a little over half any of them. Chairman V. Bickford bumped out.

FR 16 No rain only a little fell yesterday. John ploughed grass land top of turnip paddock. Repaired fence. Shed paddock. Reserve flat. Mutton taken in Christchurch. he that killed one & shot another in motor car & took nearly £1000 winners pay, money a few days ago in South Island. Eva & Marnie's War lecture **3.47** Looks as if dry weather has set in. Repaired gate at Gunderson's corner & fence near stockyard. John using double furrow plough in turnip paddock.



Motored to Darnovitz with Mr. & Mrs. Grant to see Ella in Hospital she is much improved. Eva brought her a few strawberries which she grew in her garden. We had tea at Grants and all then went to St. Church & joined a Man. In the afternoon Mam Grace & children phoned to Aunties. fine day.

MON 19 ☁ A calm cloudy day. dragged lotora strainer with Billy to 2 gateways. Afternoon went with Eva to Marnie, footpains and dressed hoops of some ewes that were very lame. Mr. Widd painting, John ploughing. Eva used mowers at thrills.

TU 20 ☁ Mr. Adrian brought half his flock of ewes & lambs to be shown by J. Keah, - Adrian helping. In the evening Adrian brought the other half, and put all ewes in shed, shown ones & lambs outside. Mr. Lund called. John rode to The Oke woolshed & saw Charlie Halena about coming here to shorn. Today I rolled up fleeces. John found ground too hard for ploughing. Good rain tonight. Tonight's rain will be a great benefit to the rape and grass. Eva Mam Allen


WED 21 ☁ ☁ ☁ ☁ Rain all last night and today. All hands helping to cut out Adrians flock of 139. last night's rain covers on the old ewes & today's finished & took them home at 2 PM. will have good shelter for them on farm. Steady rain again tonight. Account of some shorn sheep having died at Otairua. Two days ago cow Molly was sound. John & Mr. Walker brought bull over.


TH 22 ☁ ☁ Another wet day. bad for shorn sheep. All but two of us motored to Darnovitz today. had two punctures coming home, but had bought on outside cover on motor tyre. Eva through Marnie sheep after coming home. found ewe dead, sledged her home in the dark, covered up with sacks in woolshed, underneath

FR. 23 ☁ Not much rain today calm & cloudy. Marnie ewe plaged from last night by Eva, did some skinning. New news good. Hindenberg line smashed through and 10000 prisoners taken. Tanks & Infantry broke through Cavalry at west news.



SAT 24 ☁ A few stormy day, greater part. Painter at work again. John cut thrills with machine. Eva & Mam drove to Horowood in tractor. Benjamin the


A very fine day, rode with Eva over Marow, yarded two ewes with loose fleeces, shorn them & brought home their fleeces, many bits of wool lying about the paddocks. Mam Eva phoned to Church and Amundson calls 1 year old.


MON 26  Good little Joan's Birthday, strong stout healthy never cries at night.



 Eva found ewe dead on back, was east and not seen. Mam dined, shorn turnip paddock. Helped Adrian Post press their 3 bales, one of them 4,000 lbs. five sack of Bellis 2 sack pieces. Killed 25 hoggies, 2 left, many blow flies.

Return from W = +K for 18 skins, 1 felt 9, three skins 1 1/2 2, total net. 4.19.1


TU 27  Rode over back, pulled best part of wool off dead ewe, most of it useless.  Mam Eva M^{rs} Grant motor to Dannevirke & brought Elma home. Sent cheque to W = +K for oil paint etc by Mam, their bill paid - £13-8-6 she got 1/2 discount, she also bought a tin of Stockholm tar. John ploughing.


WED 28  Worked at post and rail fence along gully plantation. Mam Grace and children phoned to Alice. Eva twice John plough. Mr Whibley to Heaton called. tonight all but two of us gone to witness some sort of entertainment.

TH 29  A very close day, the tailors of a shower in the evening. Paid West 25.0.0 on account. He motor to Dannevirke with Mam Eva Grace & youngsters. They got some white lead at Wills and Wille in exchange for yellow ochre which they took in with them. Letter from C Halena to say he cannot come to shear.

FR 30  Got in hoggies off flat and dragged them. All but John motor Ngarewa  after dinner. M^{rs} Hunter here at the annual school Pk. No and Sports. A lovely day and a big crowd children and their parents. 23 hoggies shorn and put into Ridge. Put in shed tonight 36, they are in good condition, fair fleeces.

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SAT 1st  A good shearing day, some rain in the evening, shorn 98 hoggies live outside in paddock got danger to be shorn. Wagg in good condition. Eva dining.

SUN 2  Rode over all paddocks with Eva. Got in Reserve skins, ran off lambs, had 43 in shed. John fixing up Ngarewa way, brought home 10 trout.



Shove the Reserve sheep & put a hoggie & sheep small lambs with them 54 sheep and 52 lambs & the small one, 3 hoggies amongst the ewes. Hughes & sheep including 12 rams got in, shove 14 of them and 74 in shed tonight. 78 lambs with Hughes ewes. Pressed one bale Hoggie wool - 50 fleeces and 51 fleeces in second bale in box not pressed. Adrian took his wool away, paid \$1 for expenses.



TU 4 Shove the 74 in shed, the 5 narrow rams big & heavy, good fleeces. After putting Hughes out back got in a cut off Wadersups & put 70 in shed. Pressed the 51 hoggie fleeces & 2 and put 63 x bad fleeces in bale ^{for 2} _{putting in embargo}. A big dry ewe near 3 getaways east and died. Mam paid Land Tax 22.18



WED 5 Shove the 70 in shed and the 18 out in yard = 88 ewes & 80 lambs ^{500 lambs} in Ridges tonight, got in remainder of Wadersups 52 ewes 45 lambs = 140-125. The ewes in shed tonight. Mam & Co called to see Anton Stensen, not at home.



TH 6 Anton Stensen came before breakfast and we shove remainder of Wadersups & put all back and the shoven hoggies as well. Eva got in 122 off the back and their lambs. 31 of them shoven, some daggie ready for tomorrow.



FR 7 Daggie shoven 20 and rain set in and continued well into the night. Anton has young man of ours and his gig to Corras and go in filled, paid \$1.40.



SAT 8 A dry breezy day. Eva rolled turnip paddock. Shove drilled it, 4/ paid for seed - swater at Blackies, 5 lbs used, nearly. Acres registered between 5 and 6.



SUN 9 A fine day. Shear-fishing Manawatu. Helped Eva get in last sheep 193 total number of Back ewes 315 / total number of woolly sheep 717. ^{500 fleeces in paddock 715} In shed tonight 66.



MON 10 Shove the sheep kept in last night - 100 and with Eva pressed 4 bales put 56 fleeces in each bale today. Put last of sheep in shed tonight. 93



TU 11 Anton long early, finished & put out the 93 ewes and Eva got in 75. Mam & Eva spent greater part of day pressing. Eva handling up and shearing. Sent a second twenty five pound cheque to William Todd, Wellington and an order for two cases of Dip to be sent to Oronoville.



8 Show the 75 in shed last night and 18 of a fresh lot in shed tonight. With Eva pressed all the wool and branched bales except bellies now in box. The 75 was and 2 show some weeks ago, Eva put back on Mann's hills. She grazed in off flat dead show was, skinned same for dogs. Mr. West borrowed jilly express & frame to cut horns & loads of hay from township. Bales branded - No 1 and 2 Hogg: 3 4 5 6 7 8 X BRED FINE 9 10 11 12 X BRED

TH 12

A good shearing day, one ewe died on board, could see no reason John show and a ewe. All Mann sheep shown except 32 in shed tonight. We make the number of sheep 242, 4 rams included. C. Smith & son carted 13 bales of wool to Ormond - Kapur lucas called. Mann & Eva tonight. Allow.

FR 14

Show the 32 in shed the last of the Mann sheep. Eva put them back in their paddocks. Anton came early with Lura's ewes & lambs. Raced off ewes and got them under cover just before rain, several flying showers. Erga Mr. Lura & Harry Frederickson came at 10 AM. Harry shorn 50 of Lura's John & Anton the remainder except 25 in shed tonight. Weighed belly wool 82 1/2 of Mann sheep 30 lbs of locks & pieces. Pressed a bale of bellies, all put together filled box with Mann fleeces - 60 branded up by Erga. Mann & Eva Melrose Gears.

SAT 15

Finished shearing Lura's sheep by 9 o'clock. Anton drove them home. We got in sheep off Midcup's picked out 104 hogglets and put them on flat. Conan sent for Alva to help with getting in hay, worked for half day, sick at night from drinking loose-juice water in the heat and sweating. Mr. Harold Elton & 2 boys.

SUN 16

Windy last night and this morning. Mr. Lura called to see about pressing his wool. Mr. Clark called for jilly and phanton at 6.20 to hold service at Ormond.

MON 17


Pressed bale of Bellies and 4 bales of Mann and branched etc. 63-60-61-62 In the afternoon. Mann has lost Bazil & Betty ewes sold out wintery night.


TU 18

A wintery day Eva & Bert mustered Hills & Reserve looking for Lura's lamb but could not find it. With Mr. Lura & John pressed his 3 bales - 170 pieces and one bale of Bellies - 14 and pieces and 18 rams - 15. Mann Gert & Co at Alva & tonight.


1-
 Got in Back ewes lambs, daggd lambs and branded ewes until rain came on. 314 ewes, 397 lambs. Put all back in the rain which kept on steadily. John and Bertie Englebretson went out with their guns and shot a rabbit & saw two


Yesterday Mann paid J. Mackie's bill £6-6-8 & Rickell £2-7-3 and £8-0-0 to C. Witt. Tea wet for C. Schmidt to take the bales of wool - 9 to Devonville. Yesterday 11 Germans - prisoners on an island near Auckland made their escape in a launch, things were made nice & easy for them to get away.

TH 20  A fine day after the rain, paved and split up enough main firwood to put us over 20000. C. Schmidt & son took our wool to Devonville 1 bale of Bellis 14. a bale of pieces locks dead and skins 15. 4 bales & Brea Mann 3 bales & bags 0-1. With John haul up the potatoes, patches of snow, terrible.


FR 21  A windy day, worked at 4 rail fence - firwood to stockyard. John helping Curran cart in his hay. At night wind, rain, winter.

In Australia Anti Conscription carried. Pro Germans Simon & J. W. S.

SAT 22  A windy day. All but two of us motored to Devonville in high wind. John got in Hughes sheep, daggd lambs & put back. These lambs short since shearing time. George came back with them in cart, job nearly finished.


SUN 23  Finished up riding over Mann's to see that no woolly sheep were bogged. Instead to Aunt's with Bert & George, Eva of course. Killed fat lamb 24 lbs.


MON 24 Still windy and wintry. Eva & C. out 12:30 train with Will on board.


 Afternoon a crowd walked over to Mann's, took quarter lamb & Gunderson brought bag of potatoes back from G's. At night all but one went to township extra heavy rain fell. Children tired out. George, John & Will came back dropping

Tuesday
 Xmas Day. A nice cool day. Youngsters made a rush towards the toys, old ones to a variety and an abundance of toys, no war going on. Dolls look guns & very usual bunch of stuff - after shearing I suppose. In the afternoon a game of Dominion. Will went by express. Mann George Eva to Alice at night Anton Simon called, will shear Thursday his lambs went 33. 93




A summer day. John and George chopped down half big oak tree near house. All hands motored and drove to river on a Thompsons and had pic nic. Children went into water. Motored George to Quant's and train left by express.

TU 27  *Motored to Ormondville and met Mr Hunter, called at several houses on road, dinner here, then Newwood, to White, back to Garfield. There was light rain in the forenoon, increased later. Sent to Kacum: Oct 2 & 12.*


FR 29  *A long wet day. Max, Ben & Bert motored to Danmunk. Paid 2 18. 19. to C. L. Nelson and got something done to stop leak in car water tank. Paid 1. 19. 5 to Williams & Wells. An accident on Okavina road. I Taughmans house by broken ^{Car} by*

SAT 29  *A damp day, much rain, loud thunder. John not with, not cutting ^{approximately}.
It brought in two loads of firewood before heavy rain. Ben & Bert phoned to*

SUN 30 *A very fine day. John & Co drove to Ngamako. All the others to Church. 9 of a congregation counting a baby that Rev Whibley baptised. George Leonard then motored to Ella's. Messrs Tripp & Selby there. latter wine and fruit, no lunch*

MON 31    *Rain threatening more come, cloudy and breezy afternoon. In the afternoon went with John to rake and cut Walker's hay. Ben helping, a very good crop, much oats amongst it, rakes & cocks more than 2 passed. A bad season for harvesting, rain comes regularly. Bloodshed as usual in Europe. Enemy supposed to be on the decline but still intent on palmarino. Russian collapse and withdrawal, wants a separate peace - one party, but there are many parties and no stable government, symptoms of Chinese and Japs coming in to assist Allies. Turks defeated & nearly routed.*

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TU 1st  *Went to Walker and helped him get his hay in, John finished raking. Ted Atkins, Billy Leopold & Tommy helping and Jimmy Lithum in chd. All hay in except rakings. Max, Ben & Co called on Mr. Melcholl and. Wrote cheques for Harada 11-6-0. Fertiliser 2 5. 0.6 letters not posted yet.*

DD High wind all day, impossible to load hay. John mowed half of the meadow. Walter Hollins called in his wife and dined with us. Drove with Mam in procession to R. Mulholland's funeral, short services in church, sat grave side. Has afternoon tea at Mr. Gerts old homestead. Gent and children left faked by coach, Eva accompanied, could not get the car to move, not much wrong.

TR A Finished repairing sheep yards coming to life. John finished mowing. Anton Brown called, helped to get in cattle from back and dock two young bulls.


Y Y D Yesterday John's Birthday, age varies, sometimes eight years old, again 12. Anton Brown came early with his sheep. Peter Johansen came at 9.30 very heavy snow, splensia wool, shorn about 130 out of 215, all in shed tonight. Eva raked Mr. Walker's left out hay. One of the young bulls docked yesterday was ~~too~~ got too much knocked about yesterday, was too old, left too long, neglect. Mam has a touch of pleurosy, Mr. Walker kindly attended to her tonight.


SAT 5 Another fine day, all up at 12. Anton & John skinned and cut up young bull. Peter came again to shear, finished at 3 PM and then helped Eva & Mr. Walker who has been at the hay all day to get it in. All hay - 9 1/2 loads in shed, a little scattered to be raked on Monday next. Mam better today, rubbing & pain killer helped her. John & fam at circus tonight.


SUN 6 Anton came early 6.45 for his sheep, got all away after factory carts had gone home. Mam & Eva at Ormond Church, Dentie & Arthur Eng labretson and John out on Back, killed 2 rabbits. Wrote to W. Todd Wellington. Sent £1 to Simiradin Walker & Co. in addition to £1.6 sent a few days ago. Rain up.


MON 7 Got in ewes & lambs from each paddock and kept them separate. 177 lambs from Mamie at £1 each and 7 ewes at 3/6. Rejects put back on hills. 239 lambs of ours picked out and 144 ewes, lambs 2/6 and ewes 3/6. Tonight 102 of ours at Railway Station and 124 of hills, remainder of our roadster sheep in paddock, could track procurable. Mam Eva & Mr. Walker went to Darnville, got case of and drum of liquor. F. Selby had big day picking. Adrian came with sheep and

Anton here early. John went with him to Comond^o in his gig, they touched the sheep and back for breakfast. Found Anton's 8 bales = 44 fleeces each, 1 bale of bellies & pieces, not finished, waiting for skins, brand as bales. Pomeroy. Got in all sheep & picked out saddle lambs 139 and 13 in yard tonight. Adrian finished cutting the rats. Got 2 cases National Dip from Wellington soaked 5 packages. One package supposed to dip 120 sheep. Darnova crew

WED 9  Up early. Anton and John drove the lambs to Comond^o & touched from before any road traffic. Picked up paper lambs and dipped them in new Dip all well dugged. 120 on Hughes paper 167 on Hill & angle paper. 9 ewes amongst lambs on Hughes. 60 ewe lambs on Back to be kept, and many lambs too small to be put on paper now. Mam & Eva at Welcome Home in Hall to Bert's Gunnarsson. Some ewe lambs with their mothers in various paddocks not counted yet. Poor account of Makoluka sale today, nothing except fat saleable.

TH 10  Warm close forenoon, cloudy. Anton carted his 6 bales of wool to Comond in 2 bips. With Eva & John dugged all Mam's lambs, picked out and dipped 80 of them for paper. 25 or 30 big lambs saddled red on head left with mothers to get fat also small ones left with mothers. 21 day ewes dipped with the 80 lambs as leaders these are on the flat tonight, hoggets in bare sheep paddock. Cow in meadow today. After dinner plucked oats. W. Walker helping, finished just before a thunder shower set in and kept on for a long time, every thing soaks. Anton lost his watch among the stacks. Bert's Englabretson called after tea, he & John gone fishing to Makoluka.

FR 11  Rain last night, fine for a while this morning. John & Bert's caught many fish last night. Anton and all the others except Arthur motored to Darnovate. Extra heavy rain fell in the forenoon. Lambs & sheep very cheap in Darnovate. Paid C Smith's bill - £ 7. 6 and Mackie's £ 10. - with cheque £ 15. -

SAT 12  Another wet day. John has emptied big tank, scrubbed & cleaned it out. Anton came at midday, we had a squaring up, he buy 2 young ewes. £ 2. - allowed to him. he gives one a cheque for £ 22. as balance, everything complete.


Rain again today, light but constant. Put hogg^s out on Ridge for the present.







MON 14 Put Mills lambs on rape. 22 saws put in small shed paddock for a day or two. 2 of the 80 lambs ran away down paddock, one lamb walked through fence off rape. With Eva repaired fence as well as we could in a half day round rape. John at Horwood sale, he and Anton Svensen agreed with Joe Rigger and Cattle to go out tomorrow to the latter place and see 4000 rape lambs that Cattle wants to sell. Anton staying here tonight. Circular from W^m & Co. re valuation of wool, agreed to leave it in their hands. More rain, wet night.


TU 15 Another thorough wet day, rain unceasingly. John & Anton breakfast at 6.30. J. Rigger called for them, his car punctured going to Ormond[?] and refused to go any further, lost two hours at Ormond[?] waiting for another car. Got 330 lambs at Cattle, small one thrown out, of price at 6/- each net taken. Reached Ormond[?] with them at 6.30. put in Gear & C^o's yards for tonight. Eva met them with car, after Anton went home wet through. F. Selley & Co. called going from Waipukuruan to Ormond[?], says our lambs fetched a more than we expected and Mills also. must wait until returns & cheque comes.


WED 16 Rain last night and greater part of today. John & Anton after breakfast went to Ormond[?] where M^{rs} Gilroy after picking out lambs from six pens to pick out 97 of those brought from Cattle to sell by weight. brought balance has to be dipped if weather favourable. Got Gear's cheque at 296/- & this includes exchange. Lambs fetched 23/- and was 30/-, Letter from Income Tax Commissioner - 75/- to pay as Income Tax - payable on 15th Feb. My land Tax was £22-11-1. paid long sin

TH 17 - A foggy dark close & rain threatening in forenoon. Anton took home 118 lambs his share of them. John's 117 on flat. these lambs carries a great deal of bed-bits. Rain set in at midday and continues. Sent Gear's cheque 296/- & 4/- and £12-0-0 cheque of Anton Svensen's to Union Bank. Paid Grant's bill £3-16-0. Boyle £10-3-0 to Rickett, out of £10 cheque. Ric^o's copies[?] made by Dick. Done. Moon & Sun at Allan's


 Rain nearly all day. spent most of the day on a sofa with a paper & Telegram from Williams & Kettle re valuation of wool. 2 bales hoggs² 14 $\frac{3}{4}$.
 6 bales x bred fine 15 $\frac{3}{4}$. 5 bales x bred 14 $\frac{3}{4}$. not much stirring done, sometimes these prices are lower than last season and much less than the season before.


SAT 19  Rain Rain Rain 9.30 and continuous. Sofa again and Sydney Bulletin
 SUN 20  No rain to speak of after 10 days wet. John & Ernie joining, byamote got 2.
 MON 21  A dry day. Put all stock down to dry. M^r Walker helping. Afternoon
 worked all day. Sam & Eva helping. finished late and tired. M^r Deena paid £1.
 to me & John for helping at his shearing etc. Sent to H B Farmer, cheque £123.15.0
 TUE 22  Got in Carter's kids better lambs and dugged most of them. 42 yet to go.
 WED 23  Anton Brown came with his lambs, depura by 9 o'clock.
 THUR 24  Worked at the oats nearly all day. M^r Walker helping and Eva. but
 the bands and spread out the sheep. In the afternoon Eva & Marn
 motored old M^r burrow to Dannevirke hospital. John went to Manawatu
 for flax to tie oats. J Thompson called about dipping his lambs tomorrow.
 Letter from Williams & Kettle, they had a revaluation of wool. got 2s more
 for two bales of hoggets wool. Lambs return of weights etc and cheque 102.9.9
 from Longburn. 41 lambs at 8 per lb. 56 lambs at 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ average weight 32.23 lbs
 average per head 21/45. Killed a lamb for home use, not very fat, only gain.


FRI 25  J Thompson's rams came at 6-15 AM with his lambs, after these were dipped
 we dugged remaining end of our lambs and dipped the lot - 114 after which
 John M^r Walker Fred & what and later Eva flax tied the oats. Went with M^r Grant
 in his gig to the funeral of M^r O'Hara, Ngamoko, a very long procession of cubic cars
 and rickshaws, was with 5 neighbours pall bearer. after coming home found that
 M^r Walker had a price of very bad luck in losing one of his best cows in a drain. We
 all went over and with tact and manure got cow out, we skinned, cut up and
 dragged away carcass. About 1000 parts of oats tied today. Eva sent to Manawatu
 for more flax. after tea. John helped Fred, miss. Sent Longburn cheque to Bank.


 Yarden's the Castles lambs dipped yesterday, found dead ticks most alive, put them on hill & single raps. Cats in pasture in & blacked, more cats to go on top, not cut yet, today Messrs Walker West Stranna & Freeday helping, Eva also.


Gave Anton Cheque for half proceeds of what lambs fetched at Donyburn - 31.2.0


 A fine day, cut cocksfoot in pine plantation. John went in train to look on at Dammewick stock sale. Came home in Anton Stranna's gig with him. Anton paid for the dipping of his lambs - t.s. took half only, allowed a few extra work done in getting in cats. Got return from W^{est} & Kille for sale of 9 stone t. 3.1.0


 SAT 26 M^r. James Thompson called and paid for the dipping of his lambs - 30. Got in Reserve sheep and Hugsie, picked out 26 ewe lambs and put them in Reserve. Put the rams in new meadow, put a number of wether lambs on hill raps, put 57 ewe culls except 5 or 6 good ones amongst them on flat, tarred the hoops of beams over. Miss Julia Erickson and Miss Ethel came today, a very warm day, fine weather set in.

 SUN 27 Another warm day, stayed at home today. John & Freeday went fishing up against way. All the three motored to river, had their jiv out and bathed, paddled

 MON 28 Got in Back sheep, picked out ewes mostly culls, raddled blue over tail, the few good breeding ewes to be kept, raddled blue on back of neck. 427 ewes and 6 small lambs put on Back. Put ewe lambs together - 111 days, and dipped them, found many dead ticks on them after dipping, used 150 gallons water, one package of powder dip and half gallon Cupress concocia. Fleiss kept, put the lambs in Reserve. Eva & Mam took Miss Erickson to Dammewick.


 TU 29 Much rain fell last night, today dull. Eva gone with Miss Erickson's, John gone with others mountainering. Sent to Filshull Bro's years sale and 4,000 for "Lips" Killa


 WED 30 Hans Andbye dipped 297 lambs and Girabona 309 good day to


 TH 31 A dull calm day, cut remanance of cocksfoot in Pine plantation and stowed it to woolshed in sacks, spread it out to dry. opened gates for lambs to come off raps, stalks on to flat when there is lovely grass. John home from range but went as far as second rabbit tree where, foggy then, unable to see far.




A cloudy dark day, repaired a couple of panels of fence in sheep yard. rode
Trickie over Widesups and part of back, plenty of feed. John and Jack traveled to
Warramunga. Dr Bardin saw Arthur gave medicine & advice, nothing much wrong.



SAT 2  Nice forenoon, windmilled a piece of rape on Back. H. K. & boys came with his
second mob of lambs, B. & M. helping, lambs very angry John helped to tag and clip.
123 today. 420 altogether. Rain in the evening. Sent to West cheque for £2-16-0
A letter from Irving buyer for Whakata. John phoned to Selby to come on Tuesday.

SUN 3  A cool day inclined to be wintry. Morn to W.A. church. Went to funeral of
old Mr. Swann who was aged 96. Afternoon F. Selby called, wires tomorrow
and may pick lambs. Poor little Joan dull and feverish from attack of chisler pox.

MON 4  Registered 3 dogs with Mr. Halshin's a wintry day. Called at Office of
Dairy Factory. In the evening F. Selby called to say he will come on Wed at 7 AM.

TU 5  but a couple of packfuls cockafort round a stables & put it in woolshed
John brought in load of firewood and sheep off Widesups, picked out 50 and
put them on back - ewes except 4 or 5 wethers. 477 sheep now on back & a dozen lambs.
Put 200 tons and four tooth ewes on Widesups, there are a dozen good ewes on back.
Got in out of lambs off Flat & killed a fat lamb for home use. John put Marnie
sheep together for tomorrow's operation, and all our rape lambs on Flat.


Letter from Williams & Kettle with account sale of 18 bales of wool = £740-8-3
made up = 2 bales x 8/1000 = £40-6-3. 2 x 8/1000 = £167-10 and £240-2-6
for 5 bales x 8/1000. Hogg's fleece 18 1/2 in 7. x 8/1000 13 1/4 and x 8/1000 1 1/4. 1 bale of Bellies
to be sold still and small bale of locks and pieces, expenses £5-10-6. Postage
£4-10-10 Insurance from sheeps back 14/8. cartage haulage on 15 bales at 4. 5-10-10

WED 6  Up at 4-30 AM very fine day, milled with Prom. John yarves lambs &
 got in all Marnie sheep across Flat. F. Selby came at 7-30 & picked
out 145 lambs and 2 of our ewes. Picked out 50 lambs and 16 ewes of Wills - 300 John
drove these to Ben this evening. He put 267 rejects on new back rape. He dipped 8/6 all of
the Marnie flock that is left. In shed paid dock tonight. No tracks at Ben tonight.

A warm calm day, but some cockfoot adjoining stubbles. John cuts out truck lambs today, but can do so in the morning, trucks in Crm^l tonight. Lambs in Gaa Crs paddocks. Afternoon cut some of the late oats with mower.

M. Walter helping to remove sheaves from standing 20% out of moorland pond.

Put Maam flock - 316 back into Gundersand - 97 lambs. Todd Bros brought lambs.

FRIDAY  Todd came at 8.30 AM and Jack his brother a little later, dipped 357


Jack Todd went to Crm^l with John and helped him truck the sheep - 222 trucks

came in irregularly, sheep did not go by 9 train but went by a later one - 11.30

John went to Darnvick by train and home in Todd's car. Cut a bit of Cockfoot

Maam paid a handful of bills out of a cheque for J. Mackie for £10 - Helena 19/6


Boyer £2 - 15 - 9 P. G. Grant £1 - 16 - 8 J. Mackie £3 - 8 - 10. Fruit Inspector called

SAT 9  A calm close day, oats cut M. Walter helping. Afternoon yarded Maam


sheep, ran off lambs, put 80 of the best on rape and adjoining paddock with splendid

feed, put the small 36 lambs in small paddock of Clover & beautiful feed. Even on

hills where feed is fresh and not long. One ewe & lamb left out, minus, will get later


SUN 10  Some showers today. John went to Nymanke and brought home 2 ewe truck

and an Ayrshire heifer calf from N. Tortilson's, about a wisk old drinks by itself

MON 11  Rain greater part of the day, heavy at times. John got in Reserve lambs

and picked out 16 50s for rape, put all rape lambs on Hughes for a short time


Put 94 back in Reserve. A few have these last few days, blood not in man


TU 12  Todd came at 8 AM with his 308 lambs and dipped them before

Briske came with his 273 which we dipped by dinner time, M. Whitley too

turned the oats to let it get dry for tying tomorrow, got in cut of rape lambs








and killed a jolly pounder. A Father 3 was show in Harwood, drove up in photo

WED 13  A fine day for tying and getting in last of trucks. M. Walter helped all day.

THU 14  He finished at 3.30 and put tarpaulin over stock. Eva came up by coach after


enjoying her holiday. Maam paid Income tax and sent for Hughes out of a £10 - 10 - 3 cheque


in exchange, desirable & required to be added to a Tiffin's cheque.


-  Motored to Swainsboro Show, a very fine day good eating and good show. Picked up 1 Meats near Gundersons, left his bike inside fence, picked it up on coming back, also gave Mr. Higgins a ride back from show. Saw Mr. Prior and got bottle of liquid. Mr. Fourman and three boys at show. Man the very long line.
- FRI 15** A wet day, rain set in before midday and continued. Got Bear Cheque No. 15-6 in this is included 4/3 exchange. 145 lambs at 21/9 and 2 ewes at 22/6.
- SAT 16**  A thorough wet day, much rain last night. Mr. F. Selby and his uncle Mr. Selby (horse jumping judge at show too) came at 9 AM. John got in lambs off rape and he saddled 78 lambs and 4 ewes, we put them back on flat for a few days until a truck is available. Put rejects - 200 along with them. Gave \$5.00 cheque to Man to go shopping with. Sale at Mr. Grants, bargain, best transaction.
- SUN 17**  Calm & cool after the rain. All but John motored to Grants in the afternoon.
- MON 18**  Fine day, hand seems better, did not use it much, picked up fallen fruit. John got in and dagged Reserve sheep - 94 put back with them 31 rejects out of 200 of F. Selby's rejects. 168 the best of the Selby's rejects put on back fresh rape. Eva telephoned to Dan - but no truck, must keep lambs on. She paid 14/6 to Mrs. Smith's carrier, and a few days ago James W. Arthur was paid \$1.50.
- Mr. Grant & Bella called. Eva has got a little pup from 14 Crosslana.
- TUE 19**  John fetched two loads from Hughes old shed site 24 nine feet iron lengths and 2 4 nine feet lengths also taken big studs and dressed slabs. Killed a good fat lamb for home use, news from Dan that a truck will be there tomorrow.
- WED 20**  Usual weather, cool calm cloudy. John drove the 78 lambs and 4 ewes to Dan at 8 AM, would not leave Orono until after 2 PM. He saw very poor sale at Maketuka, thrashed the cocksfoot in workshop. Sent to W. & Keith D. \$6-18-0.
- THU 21**  A fine day, John drilled paddock of oats and with oats, grassed with clover etc and manure, afternoon he dug potatoes, good where our own small seeds were planted, poor crop where large seed was used. But cocksfoot in plantations, rather than. Agents for Gane milking machines called.


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
FR 25 hands ordered to Lannivick, and to the stock sale yards crammed with sheep, good 2 tooth ewes 22/, and 33/, the highest, no demand for small. Cull'd lambs, poor demand for poor old ewes, 2 tooth wethers 30/6, fair lambs not near fat 10/. One year lambs near fat passed at 17/6. Home at 6 o'clock.


SAT 26  Yarded sheep paddock lambs picked out 10 good ewe lambs and put them in Reserve, put the others 26 or so on back paper with the others here. Put cattle off stables out on back. Put 200 young ewes and 8 lambs off stables


FR 27  into Pidgeo. Yarded Marnie ewes, picked out and put by themselves 98 good enough for breeding - one lamb. Culls - lambs we put in best paddocks. M. Love came with 49 big ewes and big lambs and had them dipped, paid 4/6


SUN 24  Like a Spring day. Mam Eva & M^{rs} Walker visited to Church & later to Marnie


MON 25  A hot day, repaired floor outside carshed. At Stranmore sale, John bought 2 50 rams at 21-1 each, 4 weaners steers 18-6 each, 131 woolly lambs 18/ each. Put 114 of the best on Reserve paper, 14 and 2 50 rams on flat, 4 weaners on Hughes

TUE 26  On Saturday last gave Eva 10/ for Dr Barnardo's, she gave me 1-10 for Chgo 2-0-0

WED 27  A fine dry good dipping day. Bristol dipped his mob, paid 4/7. Cheque the total number is 563. Hutchison dipped 168 paid 14/6. Adrian 17/6 dipped 212. Left one of our ewes here. M^{rs} West and her boy Collier, John and M^{rs} Walker put 3 horses - Duke, Pimia and Gray in double furrows plough and ploughed stables - part of. Horses went all right. M^{rs} Walker sent out 2 ewes

TH 28  Grazed joint bees with arsenic of lead according to instructions.

FRI 29  A dry breezy day. Mam & Eva went near Dr in Downvick, got ramicides for best best. Put paper lambs back - 176 and 83 mixed on Hughes. Gave cheque 285-15-3, lambs 78 at 20/6 & ewes 20/6. John ploughing stables. Sebastian lady called, gave her 4/6. Eva & Mam Dennis

SAT 30  A great month for grass. Sent cheque to U Bank. With Eva doctor'd lambs and cull ewes - 86 on Marnie, opened small paddocks to them, 30 on big island, 1/6 culls

SAT **15** **MAR** **1918** 20-9-4
Gert's Birthday. John rode to Dannewicks sale, did not buy. What else
due as 100 kept back and received today. account sales for a year ago.

SUN **16** **MAR** **1918**
Showers today. I & Frederickson wants to dip, too wet, also Ruythorne and
others. Cut Californian Shistles at "Comer", and John cut & grubbed in Reserve
raps, ploughed big piece of stubbles, 4 cows on Hughes long grass. M. & W. Walker

TUE **18** **MAR** **1918**
Fred Smith unable to dip his 28 lambs on a wet day put them through today.
Afternoon saw very heavy rain. Earmarks & the 4 small ones. John called at Remington
for

WED **19** **MAR** **1918**
Sent payment to Waimapa Terms £ 8-16-0 and H. B. Summers - £ 117. 18-0
THU **20** **MAR** **1918**
A thorough wet day and night. Motored to Ruythorne, saw M. & G. Gilroy
He came in this afternoon and picked out 145 lambs, one half 20 and one half
longwool, some of them late Todd's 10, bought a week ago, most of them are over
about the same number of rejects as fat left. Could only get 24 at the Murre

FRI **21** **MAR** **1918**
Another whole wet day, no trucks today. Lamb in. Killed fair one, all on Flat now
we got shoes removed in "Trev" at Ormond good and satisfactory work done there.

SAT **22** **MAR** **1918**
A wet day again, mostly light rain. Trucks at station, did not know
about it until evening so lambs could be got away at 2.30. John got Murre 24
lambs over and we raced over off and the lot - 169 he took to Orm to be sent
tomorrow. 145 rejects put on Flat, one of them a ewe lamb meant to be kept.

Tonight Mam & John motored to a Takapan Concert. Mar Russ. Rivia dead
prostrate. Peace with the Hun signed, at the latter's dictation, & cut up into fragments.

SUN **23** **MAR** **1918**
THU **27** **MAR** **1918**
Motored to Orm and trucked the lambs, put 42 in each floor & 43 in one.
A view from Y Selby to say coming at 2 o'clock. John got in Back over, picked 54 ewes

FRI **28** **MAR** **1918**
2 lambs and 1 50 pound. Ewes with less than 30, not to be taken. 427 was
amongst them a few small lambs put on Back again. 118 good lambs put on
Reserve raps and 2 ewes and 51 small lambs put on Back raps stalks.

SAT **29** **MAR** **1918**
The usual sort of day, but no rain until night. John rode to Dannewicks sale
I & Frederickson dipped 121 ewes. Dug nearly all potatoes in garden. At night
with Mam & Eva spending the evening at Walker. Beds of Bellis 11 p.m.

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MAR 9 Rain in the forenoon. Mam & Eva motored to Dannewicks, but did not get anything done to car, as the mechanic required a whole day to repair & overhaul where a leak is taking place. John shifted cattle out on Back where feed is plentiful, and grazed in loss of manure. Eva collecting for Y.M.C.A. is successful today one settler gave her 2/- on German line, a neighbour of ours gave her 2/- A miserable creature in receipt of £300 a year & allowances whined at parting 5/6

MAR 10 A usual day, dark calm wintry-looking. Skinned old cow on Flat near sea at Dannewicks. John trucked sheep for Gear & Co to go by 9.15 train, 54 ewes 2 lambs, 1 ram - total 57

MAR 11 Paid out of a New Found cheque Backiv £5-15-7 and J. Beallott £1-12-0 Paid to Y.M.C.A. £1 and the same to Church Army. Left house at 4.30 for Pabouhai

MAR 12 Late getting up at Pabouhai. Will get Longburn cheque for 25 lambs, brought only 17. Afternoon motored to Hastings, saw W. Sturwick about packs, Warren's sells their empty packs at 10 each. Spent some time in Library. At night all but one Pictures

MAR 13 Another fine day, all stayed at home, walked amongst fruit trees, some decaying

MAR 14 Got letter from John at home and Longburn's disappointing cheque - £143-8-5

145 lambs average price 19/9, average weight 27.50, one lamb over weight - 43 lbs 50 1st quality 8/6. 94 2nd quality 7/6 lamb overweight 7/6. Motored to Napier, went to Chevray car Agent and got leak in car stopped, paid 7/6. Called at Amner about lime, manure bags will do to send for lime, got all particulars etc. Called at Union Bank saw Manager lodged Longburn cheque except £3-0-0

MAR 15 Read Herald at Mr. Fourneau's. After dinner motored to Hastings. Gave £3-0-0 cheque to Mam to knock down, took two ^{5/- each} 2/- tickets on Palmerston Art Union.

MAR 16 Motored to Taranaki with Geat to get meat - 8 parts. Went to John, coming home on Monday. At night as usual the family motored to see pictures, all but one

MAR 17 St. Patrick's Day. No snakes allowed in old Ireland except they have legs. The whole crowd motored to C.C. Smith's and spent the afternoon, fine place, good sheep country, rich flats not far from the sea, good house, woolshed etc.

Packed up this morning and took leave after a fine week & good cutting. He managed to get 50 cases of Benzine from Hill bought home in car 3 cases. Benzine difficult to get. 20/- per case. Pina Will cheque for £15-0-0 per case. Had tea at Waipawa, got home before 2 o'clock, dipping in full swing, many sheep dipped here last week, today G. Christenson 200 paid 25/-, G. Drimmer 200 paid 25/-, Yardea rams, 20 rams lame, dressed & booted hoofs, put to 50 rams with 200 lbs and four tooth axes on Widoraps. Mr. Walker here tonight. Sea help her with

FRI 17 A remarkable day, the atmosphere filled with smoke, darkness set in at 3 PM, bush fires raging on trunk line, townships destroyed, railway bridge burnt, Mr. Walker cannot get home here to day, wired railway line blocked

SAT 18 Got in sheep bought on Friday last at Dannevirke 72 ewes good at 24/- 196 at 23/6. Picked out of these 169, the remainder lame, and put them on Hughes with 4 Romney rams and a 50 ram. Put 1 Romney and 1 50 ram with the 72 ewes. Killed a good lamb for home use. Old Tomasin dipped 120 ewes paid 19/6. Ramson helped sent to Manager Waikaranga Farmers Co. - 8/- sheep cheque for Walkers 200 - £4-5-0

WED 20 Put 99 ewe lambs and an old ewe out on back out of Reserve and put 72 ewes into Reserve with 2 rams a Ram & 20. Dressed the hoofs of 27 lame ewe picked out of the 196 bought in Dannevirke last Friday. Put 5 more sheep in Reserve 10/12 to 72 ewes. All but one ordered to Ormond's Sports. Saw over 3 or 4 ewes. M. Manshorn paid 27/- for dipping 493 sheep. Sam Frederickson 269 paid £2-7-7. Hirst dipped paid £1-3-0. H. Bricks paid 14/6. H. Corbet paid 1/6. A. B. Hanson dipped 400. Prints, Olen 40/-

Two young ladies for tea - Miss Jessie Ransome and Miss Rowley. A windy day & night.

TH 21 A fine day after yesterday's rain-storm, went to Harve with sea, put 2 rams into Reserve with ewes on hills put out 2 ewes with them to make 100 breeding ewes. Dressed the hoof of one ram in small paddock with a wireless press ram and a tooth sprayer. Put 73 lambs in flat paddock. 113 ewes in different small paddocks fresh feed. Cheque 24-5-3 from Gear Co. for 56 ewes 2/-, 1 ram 10/-, 2 lambs 2/- each. Saw bought 2 good 50 rams Maketaka

Harry Ludwickson and Hunt dipped 100 of S. Ludwickson's sheep and ten of Harry's. Then got in Widdows 200 ewes and dugged them to take to dip them. There are 4 SD rams with them. Many SD rams came this season & bought ewes

SAT 23

We dipped Widdows lot and put back. A B. Hansen came with 194 which we dipped before dinner. He then got in Hughes 176 which we dipped and put back with 3 SD rams and 4 Henry's amongst them - total 176. That is 149 ewes

SUN 24

The finest day of the season. Man's son went with Rev. W. to Church. Could not wash for a finer day. Milked with tea. Then got in back sheep. Picked out and put back the best with the ewe lambs - 899. Picked out 87 young breeding ewes which we dipped & put on Hughes. Picked out 39 ewes

MON 25

which we dipped and put on Hughes 2nd growth of 20 per. Killed good fat lamb on the light side. Mr. Walker helped us all day with the sheep. Mr. Michael came with 122 lambs & dipped them, are in sheep paddock tonight. Aski Campbell and young Bird called. Tea man called. Man paid him for a tin of tea - 4/6.

Received from William Kettle Bank slip for £ 21-4-5 net proceeds of sale of belly wool, sold at 8 pence. Received from Vacuum Oil Co. Wellington £ 12-0-0 refund, could not supply benzene. Receipts from Wm Kettle for £ 230-6 and £ 26-0-0 from K. B. Dean & Marconite Co for cheques sent them for ewes bought at Danvirke, sent one letter from East Tamaki with half amount owing. Great battle raging in New

TU 26

Beautiful day. Mr. Michael took away his lambs & paid 19/6. Hayes dipped 258 and 6 Teirahona 410 and with lambs dipped before, paid £ 8. Higgins 40 lambs paid 3/6 sent to Union Bank a twenty pound note, a five and a vacuum 10 pound cheque. Letter from Mr. Praeger in France. Grace & Joan went by train. Met Miss Flora & Mr. Campbell. The greatest battle the world ever saw and the biggest slaughter going on now in France

WED 27

All but one gone from here to L. Campbell's wedding home in good time. 3/ paid to Gurr for insuring house on Hughes. J. Berkman dipped 30 lambs, paid 2/ heard Mr. Hill's ladder home to him and carted home here. Mr. Christianson's pet lamb from Kettle's return for small bale of locks of wool, repaid into 5 parts - 28th - £ 6-19-2

A fine forenoon rain threatening, came on at sundown just as John & Fuddy sorted out cals and manure to plough the paddock, it is on a door and well covered oval. Mr Campbell and Flora came before the rain, which continued all evening & all night.

Good Friday 24th Nothing much to write about, John & Fuddy shot a hare for dogs on back section.

SAT 25th A big day, back section was brought in and all paper lambs. A B. Hansen came over from his place with Mr. Polhill, North British buyer and picked out 150 ewes & 86 lambs to be sold by weight. Then he & the Manns shop mentioned by the time John A. B. Hansen & Polhill motored over here. They picked 75 ewes & 15 lambs. Pajinta was put on Back⁽⁹⁶⁾ lambs on stalks for a few days, picked ewes put on Flat, picked lambs on Hill & Angle paper. Dipped 75 for Tchern, price 1/6.

Flat sheep to be touched on Tuesday next. Shilly Campbell & Miss M^{rs} P. on for lunch.

Mr Campbell and Flora motored to Oron^o by tea, they go on to Hatuma & home Monday.

Easter Sunday 31 Dull cloudy day, wet windy night. Went with Eva & Mam to Oronond^o.

MONDAY 1st APRIL 1918

Church, dinner at Aunt's, went to Vaughan's for Alice, then to Anton Swanson's place.

A fine day Mam & Eva motored to Wapfukman's place, picked up Jaga.

Anton Swanson & James Thompson got home at dark. From here went with John Grace.

Anton & John in Blanton to see Mr Campbell & Flora off home in second express after their visit to Hatuma.

Afterwards rode to Mann's place off 75 ewes & 15 lambs drove them across Gundersen's to Flat & picked up over 150 ewes & 86 lambs and boxed them.

Mam with Hans Nord byed oval at end of Gannan Lane, & John drove them to Oronond.

Mr Todd called tonight, wants sheep dipped tomorrow. Put a package of Copors to post.

TUE 2nd Motored to Oronond^o with John & Eva, touched all sheep for 150 ewes & 86 lambs.

Mann 75 ewes & 15 lambs & a number of Hans Nord byes, went by 10 o'clock train to North British.

John & A. B. Hansen went with them in Goods Van. Dipped 174 ewes for Mr Todd. Bisscher helped.

heavy shower in the afternoon. Mam & Eva motored to De Oron, per Mr. & Mrs. Matheson.

A telegram from A. H. Hayes for £1-1-6 for dipping, a wire from Will & saying he will meet her in the train.

Mr. Wahl buried today aged 89 years. Sam & Eva at Walker's tonight.

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MON 1 A very fine day. Met with Eva to Marna, we dogged the flock 39 ewes 34 lambs and 3 weak lambs left with rain and strange 3 tails. put them on fresh feed.

TUE 2 In the morning we put 96 lambs of ours on Hill & angle paper. In the afternoon dug some potatoes with Eva ground a patch of sward. Driscoll's £2-7 cheque returned.

WED 3 Todd came tonight with sheep to be dipped tomorrow. Eva has letter from Mr. Kebleton.

THU 4 A good day for dipping. Todd's nephew came early & put through 154. With Eva got in the 27 lame ewes off meadow, doctored & dipped them and put out on Hughes the lame ones getting better, not so many lame now. Sent by C Smith 2 bundles skins and a medium hide for Mr. & Kellie's meat sale. Better accounts from the Front.

FRI 5 Heavy rain last night fine today. Afternoon dug potatoes with Eva amongst a mass of sward. Mr. Walker found bull in Freddy's paddock. Eva & Mam at Concert.

SAT 6 A beautiful day. dug & spiked some potatoes. John came home by coach & train. was present at N.P. freezing works saw lambs & ewes killed & weighed. Lambs 82¹/₂ at 8¹/₂ ewes 150 at 6¹/₂ only 4 lambs 2¹/₂ at 7¹/₂ ewes 51¹/₂ average weight. Lambs - 29.16.

SUN 7 Met with Eva to Marna & Eva paid Mr. W. Smith blacksmith £2-7-6 met Mr. Anderson & Miss Anderson on platform - came by express. After tea Mam Eva Mr. & Miss Anderson went to Newwood pictures, a failure.

MON 8 With Mam Eva Mr. & Miss Anderson went to Church and to Auntie's, a rainy evening.

TUE 9 Got in oats and grassed - latter a mixture of rye & little Cockfoot and cowgrass, Freddy helped. Got in Marna ewes & lambs & goats. 50 of the best lambs on

WED 10 Shra paddock or flat tonight, doctored and put back ewes & 4 small lambs, one lamb killed, a couple of ewes & a lamb on big island and 2 calves. Saw Mr. Driscoll. Got returns from South Parish for sheep - 150 ewes 34¹/₂ lambs 84 first class £254-2-6

all but four, or 2¹/₂ amongst ewes £1-10 for driving & branding included in cheque.

THU 11 Went to Factory with Mr. Anderson saw Mr. Thomson. He paid £1-10-6 for the dipping of his sheep and those of Mr. West. Hayes the other day paid £1-10-6 by cheque for the dipping of his sheep. John ploughing with Freddy.

WED 10 A lovely day, took in Marnie lambs off flat, picked out 25 of the best and
 just born on Marnie second growth rape, put the others with ewes. Put all our lambs on
 in end of back 2nd rape, mended bridge on Hughes. John with Diddy, George came by trap
 At night all in the house went to see pictures except Arthur and aunt here

THU 11 A wet day, burnt a big matai basket, killed a lamb off paper. John put in P. O.
 for North British sheep cheque and two small ones. At night 6 of us at Walters.

FRI 12 I Mam Eva George W. & Miss Anderson motored to Danmootka. Paid to 1-17-9 to
 Williams & Killen, got Boyle's receipt for £5-9-8. Paid into P. O. for letter Certificates £100.
 With John mustered ewe & lamb agents, put 26 Marnie lambs on our rape. At house and
 lamb, left 24 & 5 stray lambs with ewes = 30. At night Mr. W. & Miss Walker & Soldier Lincoln
 came over, there were all sorts of games indulged in, Freddie here too, until 12.30

SAT 13 Mam W. & Miss Walker & Soldier Lincoln motored to Danmootka. Mam & George phoned Miss

SUN 14 When finished drilling Freddie's cots Mr. & Miss Matham called. Pictures tonight

A beautiful day, all but one individual left here to pick over in afternoon
 room with back of the bin. Today put his horse in our buggy. Mr. Leod's family went also the
 Walters & Soldier Lincoln, all got home before dark. Mam Eva W. & Miss Anderson at P. Church

MON 15 Got in paper lambs, picked out 18 ewe lambs and 1 wether lamb good
 woolled, picked out 1 ewe lamb for killing. Mr. Anderson & Miss Anderson wa
 motored to Camond² express. Soldier Lincoln left by same train for Retona.
 Train again full, our departing guests had to stand. Mr. Martin called ^{at} in part

TUE 16 A beautiful day, out of an £18 cheque paid. Blackie 18 wds. & Mr.
 Thomson £6. 10. Madena 15/6. P. G. Gossett £1-11-0. Came home & helped John
 day the ewe lambs off 1 back which he got in early 109 ewe lambs, 13 wether lambs
 & two tooth wethers. 190 ewes. Put 3 young breeding ewes on ridge, rest back.
 Much uneasiness felt for some days on account of the terrible German drive on West front

WED 17 Finished digging & picking potatoes. Motored to Camond - met Mr. Beckett
 John at Burns ear marking & branding their ewes - 169. All except one individual
 at the pictures tonight. Better news from front. Eva has letter from Mr. Veitch.

WED 3
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A very fine day. Motored with Eva to Marnie, we dragged the flock 37 ewes & 4 lambs and 2 weak lambs left with rain and strange 2 both put them on fresh feet. On the morning we put 96 lambs of ours on Hill & angle paper. In the afternoon dug some potatoes with Eva ground a patch of soil, Brisco's £2-7 cheque returned. W Todd came tonight with sheep to be dipped tomorrow. Eva has letter from Mr. W. H. H.

THE A good day for dipping. W Todd's nephew came early & put through 184 with Eva got in the 27 lambs ewes off meadow, doctored & dipped them and put out on Hughes. The lambs are getting better, not many lambs now, sent by C Smith 2 bundles skins and a medium hide for Mr. H. Kettle's meat sale. Better accounts from the agent.

FRIDAY Heavy rain last night fine today. Afternoon dug potatoes with Eva amongst a mass of soil. Mr. Walker found a bull in Freddy's paddock. Eva & Marnie at Concert. **SAT 6** A beautiful day. dug & planted some potatoes. John came home by coach & train. was present at N.P. freezing works saw lambs & ewes killed & weighed. Lambs 53rd at 8th ewes 180 at 6th only 4 lambs 2nd at 7th ewes 51st average weight. Lambs - 29.16.

Motored to Ormond with Marnie & Eva joined Mr. W. Smith Blacksmith £2-7-6 met Mr. Anderson & Miss Anderson on platform - came by express. After tea Marnie Eva Mr. & Miss and crew went to Nonsuch pictures, a failure.

SUN 7 With Marnie Eva Mr. & Miss Anderson went to Church and to Auntie's, a winter evening. **MON 8** Got in oats and grasses - latter a mixture of 100 a little Cocksfoot and

TUE 9 Congress, Freddy helped. Got in Marnie ewes & lambs rejects. 50 of the best lambs & shed paddock or flat tonight, doctored and put back ewes & 5 small lambs, one lamb killed, a couple of ewes & a lamb on big island and 2 heifers. Saw Mr. Brisco's Got returns from Mr. British for sheep - 150 ewes 26th lambs 86 first class £24-2 all but four, no 2nd amongst ewes £1-10 for droving & trucking included in cheque.

TU 9 Went to Factory with Mr. Anderson saw Mr. Thomson, he paid £1-10-6 for the dipping of his sheep and Marnie of Mr. West. Hayes the other day paid £1-10-6 by cheque for the dipping of his sheep. John ploughing with Freddy.

A lovely day, took in Mamm
 just born on Mamm second
 on end of back 2nd set

West. 7 lambs & ewes 57 Antons was. Motored to
 by Dr. to Wells on the paper. Visiting day
 a whitewash Dannewick's splendid library.
 broken cover by unbroken felly.

At sight all in one house.
 A wet day, burnt a big matai
 North British sheep cheque and
 Mamm Eva George M^r Miss Anderson

Williams & Killar, got Doyle's receipt for
 With John ministered ewe lamb ewes, put 21 Mamm lamb
 lamb. left 1000 & stray lambs with ewes 57. At night M^r M^r
 Come over, there were all sorts of games indulged in. Fadden's

SAT 15 Eva M^r M^r Kalkar M^r Lindau motored to Dannewick. Mamm & George phantoms
 when finished drilling Tuesday's sets. M^r M^r Mathews called. Returns tonight.

SUN 14 A beautiful day, all but one individual left here to pick over in
 sawmill back of the shed. Tuesday put his horse in our buggy. M^r Lead's family went
 M^r Kalkar & Seldin Rincolor, all got home before dark. Mamm Eva M^r Miss Anderson at P. Church

MON 13 Got in paper lambs, picked out 18 ewe lambs and 1 wether lamb good
 woolled, picked out 150 lamb for killing. M^r Anderson & Miss Anderson were
 motored to Command^{er} express. Seldin Rincolor left by same train for Potona.

TUE 12 A beautiful day, out of an 818 cheque paid Mackie & Co. Ltd. & M^r
 Thomson 26. 10. Madama 12/6. P. & Grant 24-11.0. Come home & helped John
 day the ewe lambs off Back which he got in early 109 ewe lambs. 13 wether lambs

WED 11 Finished digging & sponging potatoes. Motored to Command^{er} met M^r Barche
 John at Runds ear-marking & branding their ewes 169. All except one individual
 at the pictures tonight. Better news from front. Eva has letter from M^r Veitch.



A very fine day. James Thompson came with 377 ewes & his pen & dipped them. Eva motored Mr. Beckett to Oronod & he went to Takapanau was disappointed in not meeting one who promised to see him and had to return here.

Another nice calm day. Eva, Mam George & Mr. Beckett motored to Dannviria. Mam & George went on to Uthman. The others back & brought back a drum of Coopers Dip. Mr. Thompson dipped 262 lambs he paid cheque £3-10. of this amount £2-15 for dip, 10% Church, 5% Arthur he also left 2/6 for red cross. John tagged Reserve ewes = 74. Starns 2 wethers.

SAT 20 A thorough wet day & night. Eva motored Mr. Beckett to Oronodville to meet lawyer & do business in Takapanau. Miss M. Alister came up by coach, here

low Annie had her 2^d calf three days ago - a heifer, was milked the day before she calved, she was very hard to milk, but since she calved is much easier.

SUN 21 Light rain, cloudy & threatening. Church at 2-30. Eva attended Mrs. M. Allister

MON 22 A big sheep day. Got in 240 lambs, but Mr. Pullwill took only 12 lambs. Got in back ewes and he took 77. Got in Wills ewes & lambs he took 14 lambs 13 ewes. This left 26 Marnie ewes & small lambs, 1 stranger & both ewe & on our rape 11 lambs besides 26 put on back rape on 21st March. Put 50 of our ewes on Marnie paddocks. 100 rape lambs on flat tonight. 69 rejects besides the 50 on Marnie. On Reserve 122 ewe lambs, amongst them 13 wether lambs make up the 122.

No trucks until 2-30 tomorrow, a big one in our shed paddock tonight. Todds Ruythorne Nordbye Hanson Lund ours make 478, to be trucked tomorrow. Eva & Mr. Walker motored to Dannviria after tea, brought back Mam & George. Put on Back 74 ewes & wethers & 50 Marnie off Reserve. Off Hughes 237, one & 2 on 520

TUE 23 John drove the big one of 478 fat ewes & lambs owned by various Norseman farmers to Oronod & with the assistance of A. B. Hanson we put them in trucks for 2-30 train. John went with them to Napier, 3.40 on top & 3.45 in bottom of train. George left by express. A hawkler called. Mam bought cloth from him, paid him £7 cheque tonight. Mam & Eva at Methodist Sunday School. Special meeting.

WED 24

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YAM

WED 24

Very high wind today. drove up to hall in express with Mam Eva & St Walker
 took 2 packs firewood a variety of goods for a jumble sale & 2 novelties from Frazier
 took charge of a sheep for guessing purposes, a 2 tooth wether, weight better won by 2
 people & collected for 57 guesses. take guessing dill & Kitten guessing we thought
 for Red Cross. Dictations at night. children asleep came home before the others.
 drove up a second time for Mam Eva and parcels, home not till after 12 o'clock.

TH 25

Drove up to Hughes and carted home load of firewood. Sent Lana-Jew pup to Com
 Calton again after yesterday's storm. John came up by coach, was at 4 o'clock.
 Picked out 34 of the best old ones left on Hughes & ones - 39 of them, and put them on John
 Put 25 of them on occasion, one was unable to stand. Killed for dogs, in good condition.
 At night all but Grace & kids went to see conjurer in hall. 25 pence up, good entertainment.

FR 26

Dagged and dipped (a second time) 97 rape lambs, on flat tonight.
 Kept out of them 2 for killing and dipped. Dipped Reserve lambs - 123. found amongst
 lambs amongst them. Another puppy from lands, 5 days old. Mam & Eva at Allen.

SAT 27

A beautiful day, saw some rime on flat for chaff-outer expected
 here on Tuesday next. Put dipped mixed lambs - 97 on back rape and got in Midway
 2 o'clock, saw 14 pawns, so, paddled 2 tooth sea on head and put them on 1 Back. Put
 Reserve dipped lambs on Midways - 123. mended some packs in woodshed. John
 carted in load of firewood. Another terrible attempt of the Huns to beat through
 On Back saw 203 of Midways 194 bought, 74 bought, 53 picked out of Back - young, 570 eggs.

SUN 28

A fine calm day, only Miss M. Allister & Friday with us for dinner
 After dinner Miss M. Allister & Eva rode to Mill track & long train line. Drove with them

MON 29

Grace and 2 children motored to Comond - for Patow hair, 1000
 train filled 7 packs chaff in chaff house. Killed lamb in very good condition.
 At night with Mr. Walker and W. H. A. Thomson joined Patriotic Com. in Library.

TUE 30

Train & Kelly shed at Comond - yesterday. Rain forenoon, first afternoon
 John & Dorte went fishing - this entry is wrong, meant for 1st May.

River forson, John & Bertie Engebretsen went Mammata way shooting, got 2 ducks each, very fine afternoon. Killed skinnia Romney ram that was unable to stand in meadow. Shifted Mamm sheep, mob from main paddock to small shed paddocks. North British cheque came £110-9-9

77 ewes brought 25s, 12 lambs ^{about} 2s. 6p. Laming & Jackson 3s. 6p. Morn John in at Pictures.

THU 13 The doggy dry ewes on Mamm and put mob. 80 - 4 lambs included - with another mob of 35 and let them have the run of all small paddocks at shed. Shifted the 100 breeding ewes off hills on to Gunderson's, but on big island today. Alice and Charley came in the afternoon. Morn delivered red cross funds £250. Better news from the front, good stand by Alice, great slaughter of Hunns & defeat.

FRS 14 Red over Mamm. Saw breeding ewes in big island - 100, 3 rams, 2 Wiggins. Skinned our lamb on Ridge. Anton Svensen for dinner. The others on road. Dammvick.

SAT 15 A light frost. Anton Svensen with flock before breakfast. Paid 2/- for dipping 251 sheep, fine sunny day. John got in load of firewood, sent 5/- to Secretary Rabbit trustees Herschel St. Kapine. Skinnia Mamm Lamb. Morn M. Allister Morn & Co at pictures. Better news from front. Australians would like to withdraw.

SUN 16 Dull calm cloudy day. John & Tracy out for a shoot, got mought, but Morn M. Allister for a ride up Neachona way. Motor car erratic, goes in fits and starts.

MON 17 A busy day. had a difficult job to get in cattle from back, a cow which has a calf running with her was not broken in made away with her calf. the latter is wild and could not be brought to the sale, was left behind. Although cattle was very much down at the sale we got good prices for 5 head. A steer £12, fat cow £9, 2 heifers 18 months or so £21-5, one small heifer £4-2-0

Spent to fertilising Co a call of £5-0-0. At night Mr. Brisker came & paid £2-7 for dip

TUE 18 Killed a good fat lamb and a big wandering gobbler that tried to do for one.

WED 19 A very fine day. Put Mamm ewes off big island into middle paddock and 34 old ewes into Reserve. Cow Whistler has bull calf on flat. Eva and John trying to get cow to go greater part of day. managed to make it move.



Preparing for chaff cutter which came at 2.30 from Goring's
cut over four tons before trucking off. Mr. Walker and Arthur Lincoln helping
Eva sorting with me on stack, she got Francis clipped at Ormond. 3 at Future

THU 3 A beautiful Autumn day, sunshiny and calm finished the stack at 12.

FRI 4 Tuesday helped also Mr. Walker & Arthur Lincoln shed about full and packed
in cart shed hired up. F. Selby came at 12. Eva had lambs yarded & ewes too
He is not taking lambs, works full, he agreed to take all ewes as they stand
and we are to get whatever is in there, quite as splendidly, just lambs back
on paper stalks, F. Selby is to get Mr. Gilroy to take a truck load next
Tuesday, the ewes go from here then. Put 40 ewes in Reserve, 40 on Flat and
76 on Gundersens. A Darnovite boy overhauled car did something, paid off
Chaff cutters shift to Selby's farm and make a start today. Paid Martin £6
for cutting our 2 tons, reckoned to be worth £8 per ton. At night Mr. & Mrs. Walker
Arthur and 3 school teachers also Inga came & played ping-pong, in leaving
the girls at home the car stopped at Walker's hill and John & Eva pushed it back.


FR 10 Beautiful Autumn weather sifting oats from the chaff where chaffcutter
stood. Evandristed. Mame ewe from 10 acre paddock to three small paddocks
she and John succeeded in getting car to go. She ran him to F. Selby's oat stacks
where he worked today with chaff cutter, he then & Eva at Ophani concert tonight.



SAT 11 Still fine. Mame Eva Auntie Ma Walker Mr. Lewis and Thompson came hunting
John and Inga finished chaff cutting at F. Selby's. All 7 years & children with pheasant
they came by ropes finished sifting oats. At night Mame Eva & Miss M. Allister pictures



SUN 12 Calf in shed a second drinker gulped the milk without finger.
Carved a big fat turkey-cock for dinner. Eva & Miss M. Allister rode Kaitakehi
way. Inga with them. Arthur Lincoln for tea and he then biked for Ormondville



MON 13 Got in Buck sheep, dogged & spiced out lame ones. Fat back 370 all
counted, 80 and Romney some 15 lame & veined ones in shed paddock. Res. £34.17.1
for cattle sold at Newwood. Fat sheep bought by Peddie here tonight. Big game ping pong







 John up at daylight, went shooting with W. Masters in beyond Le Stan
 savernell. got 3 pigeons each. Masters a ewe for driver Halford - 576, he took them
 to Males Tucker at dinner time. Put safe lambs in hill paddock, sent to Back & Co.




 WED 15  Got in lame ewes and dressed their hoofs, used Copfers liquid dip -
 a little more than half, and water, and tarred hoofs after a minutes soaking
 sawd pieces of packing over two or three bad hoofs, they are on battens all night.
 Write to M. Gillivray about taking a truck of lambs, but Eva saw him in
 Nowwood and he promised to come. She shipped Marn ewes out of small
 paddocks. John carted in two loads of firewood. Paid Mackies bill with £5-
 cheques. Killed a SD ram for dogs, was had with footrot. Mam & Eva at Pictures.


 TH 16  Put lambs on Reserve paper = 105 amongst them 36 Marn lambs, 4 poor
 lambs with lame ewes on Flat. A few fat ewes and 6 withers with lambs on rape
 Got in ewe lambs and dagged a few - Killed a middling lamb for home
 Sleaged gravel to gateways filled sheep returns. 500 Breeding & Bred ewes
 109 lambs 13 withers 6 SD rams 4 Ram rams. 950 dipped 23 Feb & 25 March.



 FR 17  M. M. Gillivray come at 9 AM. Picked out 72 lambs at £1 and 33p
 for one & tooth ewe, put them back on Reserve paper for a few days.


 The B and Miss Allen called on some Cat business, gravelled and concrete at tank
 Eva & Alice brought half a pig. John concreted chimney, Patricia & Anthony


 SAT 18  John took 2 horses to Anton Svenson and dilled his
 oats. Will Gus Brazil and Betty out at express with car and Eva. Afternoon all hands
 walked over paddocks and yarded ewes, dagged the ewes that required it and
 doctored some hoofs, took the 520 rams out, 58 days in Pictures, most


 SUN 19  Anton Svenson brought his 87 ewes and put them with our 72 lambs
 and one ewe, total 73. John drove them to Diamondth Eva and Will got in
 the young jilly from Back, roped her but she pulled down fence, cut rope and
 let her go. Will met with a misfortune, slipped on a piece of timber and injured
 his ankle seriously. Eva & Gus took him to Danversville Hospital, is there now


 Tracked the sheep before breakfast. 72 lambs & ewes - 57 Antons ewes. Motored to hospital. Goat was allowed in, nothing done by Dr. de Wille and so far. Feasting days Tuesdays Thursdays and Sundays. Stayed a while in Dannevirke's splendid library.

TU 21  Repaired fence at stockyard broken down by unbroken felly.
 Motored to Dannevirke with Mam Eva Gent Betty & Brazil all went to see patient in Hospital, nothing broken about ankle; can leave in day or two. Had a puncture on road, got something done to car at Heikens. Rain in Dannevirke. Got two woolshed pen door springs at Williams and Nettles. Tuesday brought up three young beasts, 2 heifers and a steer bought by John. He bought 15 sacks of chaff and some lupines out on that in shed. £78-15-0

Cheque from Mr & Mrs Gillivray for 72 lambs at £1 and ewe 35/- and exchange 2/-
 Freight at 7. 10 Mam & Eva went to great concert in Dannevirke; they pick up Mr & Miss Mathews at Te Anau. Anton Swenson called, his dog has strayed.
WED 22  A showery wintry day, tidied up woolshed, put springs on two pen doors. Got Gear & Co's cheque for the last sheep of the season - 176 ewes at 23/-, a satisfactory price for class of sheep, most of them good for butchers, but many poor and lame.

TH 23  Burning backlogs, a wintry day. Mam Gent & Eva motored to see invalid but not to come away before end of week. Sent the 2 cheques to Union Bank.

FR 24  Put 3 horses off flat into Back and Tuesday's 3 weaners into Hughes. Winnowed the oats, got a sack and cover of clean oats. Killed good lamb and turned back on Reserve stalks - 31 lambs, 9 of them Mills. Wintry showery cold evening. Anton Swenson came at night, was pig killing today.

SAT 25  Another rough wintry day, much rain, crook up. Anton Swenson brought a pig dressed, weight said to be 171 lbs, cut up and put in salt. Anton took away felly to break in. Mam & Eva at Pictures Bank slip to hand for £276-1-0 and one from William Nettles - a slip for £2-2-2 for skins. 2 skins 2/-, 9 bank £1-10-0 One skin 3/-, felled P. and one of one hide not sold yet. train fare 2 bunches skins 3/-
 Several wintry days now, but animals well off for feed, not overstocked.

A breezy day John and M. Bellamy went prospecting Makenzie way. After dinner Mam Eva Got and 3 children on train to Hospital, a party day over stay.

MON 27 ¹⁴⁴ A fairly good day, got in firwood from back and got 2 pastures for kitchen fire in Hall. Got in lambs off Reserve stalks, killed a 35 lb one put the others into fresh feed. At night went with Mam Eva & John to a Concert given in honour of returned soldiers had to speak on the subject, there was a supper & a dance 2/6 for Gents. Money collected was over £12-0-0

TU 28 Eva & Bert on train to Hospital and brought with home. John got in firwood. Charles some gate timber from Hughes, must hang gate on back of sheep yards. The Germans have started another try to break through line & get to Paris.

WED 29 ~~29~~ A back log day, nothing doing outside made a gate in washes.

TH 30 No encouragement to work outside. Got in lambs and killed fair by good one. Not good news from front. Germans pushing back Allies rec rec.

FR 31 ¹⁴⁵ With John & Eva on train to Orono station to catch 9.15 train to Hamwicke, return ticket 2/6 second. Attended Farmers Union Meeting John went to sale, good lambs 2/6, come back by express. Ada 2 children and Ella came up here and back in our absence. Miss Mathews Mam Eva at Concert. Bad news from front. Germans pushing Allies back several miles. Allies outnumbered.

SAT 1st JUNE 1918

1st Got in Back sheep, crutched and put on Hughes 60 ewes all rams, 1 lamb some by Adams. total 70. put in Reserve 50 ewes crutched. Eva Mam Got pictures

SUN 2nd A wintry day, John Agarnate way. Put in shed 28 ewes 1 lamb, may dry long

MON 3rd Crutched 28 ewes, 1 lamb, put them with lambs on Ridge. Killed a medium sort of lamb, hung gate in sheep yards, disinfected &c &c. Very bad War news. Huns driving everything in front of them - on to Paris.

TU 4th M. Walker waterproofed Eva's room placed Kulleroid on boards & put iron on it again. M. & M. Fournier came and went back by express. John brought at a sale 89 ewes in lamb at 2/6 for Well. Better War News.

TH 3 Made a place in hayshed to hold sheep, 100 or 120 packs into it. Got in all sheep off Back, crutched 100 in the afternoon, branded & put them back. 103 in shed tonight, remained overcrutched in Mill paddock. Better war news. Huns stopped from reaching Paris. American ship to Japan. A Bank slip from Williams & Kettle. 6 to how hair 4). This with small kids 19 1/2 nett.


TH 4 Anton & Bronson come with hand shearing machines and boy we finished the ewes - 258 done today, got in lambs off Widdowson - 109 and put them in shed. After tea Mr Ludwigson Miss Annie Olsen & her brother John. Mam Eva and Gert motored to Dannewirke, left car and came home express.


FRY 5 Finished the lambs and the Marn ewes - 110 put wool in press. Anton bought his flock late, gardsa and put some in shed. Paid £7-10 Cheque to Mr Boyle out of which he is paid his account £3-10-2. drawdown. Paid to Smith's bill - 2/8 for savings of skins & hides. Mam taking another rest.

SAT 6 With a lamb yesterday. Will drive Mam Gert Eva & Betty to Danewirke for train. They came home in car. Finished crutching Antons 191 flock by dinner time, put his crutchings 110, the with own. Crutched our meadow flock of 13 ewes and 7 lambs. better small, total bounding ewes 509. lambs 109. and lambs for killing and small 20. Mr D. Grant called at tea time to say good bye.

SUN 7 The usual few Antons only. Mam Gert Eva & boys motored to Alicea, back quickly as Mr & Mrs Wallace were expected to call. They stayed only a few minutes.


MON 10 1/2 Shear carried in 3 loads of firewood, pata posts etc. Hung bacon in kitchen and hung fresh salted under mandah. Filled 1 sent to Wellington. Income Tax paper. Mam Gert Will Eva & Betty motored Dannewirke and the Hospital Dr removed the plaster from Wills ankle. Paid Mr & K L 4-19-3. Killed a medium lamb, no good lambs left, must put them on turrips. Anton Bronson left 2 cows here tonight, purchased by Mr Wallace of Waitapuna 222 & 214. Wrote cheque tonight for £10 to pay Insurance on house furniture & piano - £3-13-8 and Mackin's bill for £5-9-2. Insurance due on 10th of this month.

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 Got in a load of firewood, wire-netted off a piece of turnips and put 26 small killing lambs on it. Paid Mackies bill and Insurance money. Many married men called up, some have appealed hardly any allowed. Light rain set in during the afternoon. Rain then's 15 fat lambs in yard tonight.

WED 12  Light rain. Spent an hour or two with W. M. Thomson. John & Will had a look at newly bought sheep on Marns - 29. Will sent Chege tonight to "Maierapa Farmers" in payment for game. John went to Makolaka Sale did not buy. Paid R. Frederickson - Friday £8. for 3 young cattle bought. Mam Gert & Eva at pictures tonight. The most terrible battle going on now.


TH 13 A backlog day, nothing doing. At night Mam & Eva went to young Vigors ^{concert}


FR 14 Another backlog day. John went Copper mines hunting. Mam & Eva Agonski.


SAT 15  Rough morning. John pursued sale of crutchings and a hundred 17 skins. Got in Reserve sheep and killed old ewe for dog meat.


SUN 16 Eva's Birthday 31 trays. In good health and spirits. She takes the Celebrator.


At night M^r and M^{rs} Walker for tea, we had a nice evening party.

MON 17  A fine day, did some work about the place. Lambs on turnips throwing a bit. got them in and killed a fairly good one. John went to A. Stock sale, did not buy anything. Will able to get about without a crutch for a bit.

 Two days ago, Cow "Blui" seemed to be sound, full with her. Eva at ^{party} ~~part~~

TUE 18  Sent by C. Smith's express 2 bundles of skins and a bale of crutchings to Williams & Kettle. John & Will went to Tatham's Sale. At night Miss's Dora W. Bely

WED 19  A doubtful part of day. M^r Rigger called to ask about sheep business connected M^r Bellamy & John up first river coal mine hunting and some long minerals

TH 20  Mam Eva Gert Will and Cally motored to Dammwicks. Paid £7-5-6 to C. L. Nelson out of a ten pound cheque. Will returned his crutches to Hospital nurse. Something done to car. John rode over to Rigger, crutching going on, none of our sheep there. Killed a very fair Lamb off turnips - one of the

25 or 30 rejects. They are doing very well on a course of turnips. Mam Eva Alone. No Blui and Charley come off now.

- ~~FR 20~~ Rain in the morning, showers all day. Behaving out. M^r Gert, children, Mam and Eva motored away at 11 AM. Mar News, Nations popular Associations.
- SAT 22 Another rough day. John poulticing middle finger, Bob, crutching 4-0-5
- SUN 23 Rec^d from Darnswick Pub. Co. the sum of 15/- as interest on shares redeemed at 15/-
- SUN 23 A breezy part of day. No one came in one went. Killed 2 cows twice, drying off two.
- MON 24 Went with man and wagon to Houghs, called away, pulled from shed, site to heap to burn, carted home loads of washing wood. At night rain, drove with M^r Walker in phaeton to reading room where the annual Public meeting was held, a committee of 15 appointed. 5 a quorum. Messrs Christen & Speith Chairman and Secretary. Self and A B Hanson elected Delegates to Solinus Area held monthly in Darnswick. Better War news. Nations defeating Austrians.
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- SUN 30 A fine day, party morning. Eva & Miss Matthews went for a nice range way. Rickard dug out rabbit on that. Antler for her, took home one of his fleeces of bacon. Eva at Allen.



John and Barty Engelbrecht getting firewood, matui roots re Ridges

Killed lamb off turkeys, medium only, 20 left, in shed paddock for a change.
Miss Mathews has tonight, came with us to farewell concert. W. Hanson comes down
and receives his medal on stage. L. Anderson & Eggleston farewell, some fellows

TU 2nd Anniversary of our marriage years ago. Sawed and split posts and
rails on Back, afternoon turned out windy and wet, snow fell at night 6-30

WED 3rd Eve put sheep off flat on to Hill paddock, on part most of Hughes on flat.

Very heavy rain last night and tonight, not much today. Arthur brought
a good dressed pig, bought at Phillips's, in fall tonight. John on on the drive
off cows Molly and Bobtail to far end of Back when there is good feed and other
cattle. Eve rode to Tethergill's with Church money £6. Took with her £3-6-10

Warrant order from Williams & Kells out of which she paid on my account £2.
Mam Eva & Grace at Pictures tonight. Killing lambs on Reserve flat for a change.

TH 4th Rainy still, ground saturated. Eve rode over paddocks. John overhauled. A

FRI 5th A white frost, nice day, sawing & splitting first class rails on Back.

Guardian's cheque for £1. Church money returned for Eve's signature. Eve Drabon
instead of Miss Drabon as written on cheque by Guardian. Gave Mam £2.

SAT 6th Fair forenoon rain evening. All hands and the Cook met at
Dinner table. Attended Patriotic Meeting held in M^r. Stubbs Office, Ward 12.
Much business gone through by Sec Quigley and Chairman Hanson, man of
great ability. Mam Eva & Arthur at afternoon pictures in hall & Red & Ben. Mam Eva

SUN 7th A fine cold day. Afternoon with Mam & New-mystic Auntie
ready for dinner & afterwards he & John over paddocks shot 2 hares. Mathew's Church

MON 8th A showing muddy day. John carted home 3 loads of firewood. Rec^d to 2-4
Cheque from M^r. Todd. Killed a fair lamb, 20 left. Visitors Hermann Grant Charles
Walker, Misses Mathews Grant & Peterson. Mam & Eva met at to Methodist church
to hear a lecture by Rev. F. L. on South Sea Islands affairs, no other terms



A fine day crosscutting on back, got good posts & rails. Mam & Eva at Dannewicks home by dinner time, at Allen's tonight. Married men with two children medically examined today, many from Newcastle.

War news says von Mirbach, German Ambassador, ruler of Russia assassinated. Austrians punished by Italians and driven out, 25,000 prisoners taken etc.

WED 10

Another fine day, crosscutting & splitting posts & rails on back. Eva drove the 3 young cattle, sheep & a steer bought off Tuesday, from Houghton on to Back. Quiet on Western front, daily expectation of tremendous onslaught by Germans to break through.

TH 11

Big rainstorm in the morning, terrible rough day, wind & rain. Eva met Helen Backell at express coming here from Devine, nothing done today. Several men called off.

FR 12

A dry windy day. John split rails near 3 gateways, musters & mended horse socks. Miss Matthews Mam Eva Grace & Helen Backell at concert tonight.

SAT 13

A fine day for outdoor work. Helen Backell musters to 10 o'clock train. John & Mr. Walker sawed off and carted away limbs & branches of oak tree near boggs. Knocked over one of the white rabbits, they sat on flower beds, burning legs.

SUN 14

A dull calm day, rain when night fell, with yellow phantas a young gaur in Wellingtonia plantation gaps. At church with Mam Eva and Arthur. Mam took Arthur to Presbyterian S. School but he would not remain without her. After church all but John went to Aunt. M. Lee from Oruga Oruga called, stayed awhile.

MON 15

A rough day. John went to Newcastle & Sel, bought 39 hoggets at 15/10. for 22. Will put them on Mam's. Anton Branson helped them. Killed fair lamb for home use. Alice & Charlie called on their way home from Eltham. Joe joined here.

TU 16

Not a day for working outside. Breezy cold and showery. John split firewood at 3 gateways, went up with wagon, rain set in brought home load. Allen The great German-prepared push started and Mam crossed. All depends on who wins here. Italians continue to drive and defeat Austrians. Signs of Russia gathering strength. Mr. Boyle yesterday delivered bag flour here - 19/6. very thing dear now, potatoes 1/1.

A fine day just after the rain dragged wood with more to big log at three gateways, burning well, got home load of firewood, afternoon John and Anton Svensson went to Mlick Heg's sale, bought 2 pieces of wood for sawing later for 3/4 and Anton bought big coach for £5. Return from W. & M. S. 4-9-3 for 17 sheepskins. 13 at 12/- + 3-19-0. One 7/4 and one 3/4 ea. Steam in Anterfectum

TH 18 A good burning day, sawed & burnt logs at 3 gateways. Sent 5-5-0 cheque to pay Mackie's bill. John grabbed up turnip bolls with adze for hoggets. Killed a poor lamb for dogs. Great German drive going on, as yet not successful.

FR 19 A fall of snow last night, thick heavy flakes this morning ground covered. All hands went over to Walders, much snow-balling, plenty of hay for cows & bull in sheltered places. The 3 calves enjoy the sweet hay under the trees in front, the three hacks, one of them harness - get hay and chaff, are covered. plenty of meat for dog. War news good, French & American defeat Huns, take prisoners and guns & drive back.

SAT 20 Snow almost gone. John grabbed out turnip bolls & shifted cow off hill past, made fire near 3 gateways. Eva visited Akershaw's, at Pictou tonight, rain & wind. More war news, 50,000 German Prisoners and 100 guns taken by French & American.


SUN 21 Another fall of snow last night, blue sky, half ground covered, very cold.


MON 22 Cold wintry day, much snow on ground. At night Miss Campbell & Brewer and Neddy spent the evening with Ping Pong games. John killed a good lamb.


TUE 23 A breezy bitter cold day, news of snowfalls all over N.S. it has disappeared here. John chopped down big perchash at entrance from road. Sent cheque 30-17-0 to N.S. Loan & Mercantile Co. Hanniwicks for 39 hoggets. Telegram from Bazil to say 'Daddy passed' C.W. writing tonight. War news good. Huns driven back. Allies


WED 24 A cold dry day, motion to Meeting in Lutheran Hall, big attendance. Two or three loud aggressive characters, 1/4 per lb paid for butter fat, it was paid that 1/2 was paid at Otavika. I was donated to dependents of Navy men. Willy Torkelson and James Kesh came to dinner, motored both ways. Changed cheque £3-0-0 at Mackie's Home & Hawke Bay men called up in evening, four John's not there.




 A midday helped John cart his belongings to barn house. With Mam
and Grace & children, all went with last load, laid livestock & put things on their
FR 26


 Frost this morning. John fixing up his furniture. Mam walked over to
the Moors and back in the forenoon and Motored to Alice's afternoon.
Low "Dartie" brought in by Eva yesterday with red white heifer calf.


SAT 27 Frost this evening. Men over here with more and express at 8 AM.
We sawed  and split posts & rails at 3 gateways, fetched home firewood, got
lamb in, killed one, only one living. John took more and express home and
a few things. Yesterday, Alice gave Eva a little red pig, drinks off a spoon.
Bella was there. General Fosh laying it on the Mains, hope for Centurion.


SUN 28  The hardest frost of the season. John and Arthur came over and with
Eva drove cow "Blue" and the white calf over to Mains. Mrs. Whitley called and we
then went to evening church, afterwards went with Mam over to see little Joan.
She knew us at once and was delighted, nice place for children, home for tea.


MON 29  John and Arthur come over, cut in Hidesup's sheep, picked out 208 best
and put them on turnips after mulling off a piece. Got on back was 358 took 112
out of them and put them on Hidesup's. Put 272 was on Back, all in good condition.
Sometimes snowing and sometimes scorching and warm with coats off.


At night a fall of snow, rose up to Patricia's meeting only a question of 2.
Funeral today of Mr. Gribble Sen, who passed out in Darroville aged 83


TU 30  A rough forenoon, fine afternoon. John killed returned good fat cow
with bearing down twins. Ernest Parsons left basket wheat for hens from Doyle's
price. Eva sledges manure to her garden in afternoon. Mam walked to Sand
in afternoon. Her intelligence remain good. Hens nesting and being slain.



WED 31  Very forenoon, cold evening. End of the roughest and coldest July
on local record. John and Arthur, carted in load of firewood, coming across road
laid posts rails at 3 gateways. John carted home sheep and a calf to drink his
spare skin milk. News that Turkey has broken off relations with Germans


 A fine morning but turned out one of the roughest days of the year. Saw a raven big up the gully, got some posts & rails out of it. Storm at night


FR 2  A great storm last night, a gum tree in second yard blown over against maeracarpa. John lopped off some limbs and in passing off a heavy one it fell against the ladder, broke it in two and John fell from a great height and came on his back, was unconscious for a time, with mam got him into house, felt very bad for some hours, could not remember how it happened. Mam walked over and brought Grace and children to stay the night. Eva pledged home the second hogget and rode over back to see springing cows. pledged away gum limbs to bushy heap and chopped into firewood lengths gum limbs. Windy forenoon, very nice afternoon. not cold today.

SAT 3  A windy day. Attended Baptist meeting in Dannewicks. Mam & Eva. Going to Dannewicks John & Co came around with us, coming home all had been at John's. Paid Gibbs 1/4 for 40 tons. At ~~Hand~~ ^{Road} ~~Hand~~ was measure for for salt. Very high wind tonight again. Mam and Eva at Pictures 15-18-9 cheque paid to G. L. Nelson & Co. A than found cheque written out for Williams & Kille. Mam did not change. Rec^d for factory phone cheque £1-1-7

SUN 4  Rode over to Gundersons and helped John & Mrs Gunderson kill little pig. Very big wind. Eva has a cold. Had Anniversary meeting in hall, we did not go. Min

MON 5  Snow hail in the morning, afternoon fine. John came over, got in lamb  killed a good lamb. Saw Mr. W. M. Thomson about Mr. Highfield removing to another house. John saw Mr. Walker about building. Grace & children in

TU 6  Wind all day long and cold. Friday for dinner, he and John repaired a bridge over Mann creek. Letter from Mr. Kille Saturday re butchings. Collected 11/6 Mr

WED 7  A calm day at last. A sickly ewe hogget nearly dead, bled it for skin's sake. Mam and John repairing a front room. Bert and Betty came up by coach conspected by. Not much news from front. Means to proceed hospital ship as many patients drowned. Germans much on the decline, the corner turned.

John and Maon finished preparing foot room. Put in small staves at brown gate and staved up wires. Bagged 20 sacks for lime and bundled 18 sheepskins. gave sheep to cows tonight instead of hay. Maon sent Eve to Hammond

FR 9 Light rain forenoon, heavy in the evening. John & M. Walker inspected empty house at Hughes. Gent & Boley left by express. Maon & Len motored to Penn

SAT 10 A fine day. All hands motored to Hammond where was fitted by tailor Ross. Had photographs of new calves - Father Sam and Grandson by Elberta.

SUN 11 A fine day. Maon & Len motored to Church; none. Then to Aunt's & home early.

MON 12 John & Len took cow 'Whitetail' and red cow running on Maon to Newwood sale. 'Whitetail' small, giving milk. ^{Killed good lamb.} Saled at \$6, two others in full milk, not enough hay for more than two. Red cow, not fat quite saled at \$7.90 in calf, not wanted. At night all hands at red cross concert carried out by Cannon & wife people, above wood, patriotic people helping big crowd, took \$22

TU 13 Sent by C. Smith's team 2 bundles skins - 18 to Williams & Ketch and 3 bundles socks - 6 to W. A. Brown then Napier for lime. Worked at post and rail fence (for plantation) with John and Tracy, strong enough. ¹⁰⁰ Eva found a hogget drowned in Maon creek and one a few days ago this makes three in a short time, she skinned them today, they must be sold.


WED 14 Eva rode over paddocks, saw a few ewes with lambs, one ewe slipped 2 just dropped. Len found on hills a ewe with twins, one dead and one nearly so. She brought the live one home, heat from the fire restored it, she put the skin of a dead twin on it & shut it up with ewe and then found a ewe with triplets, 2 dead brought live one home, is tonight walking about. John chopped firewood and went over back, several ewes now with lambs. Tracy did for dinner but day too rough for fencing.


TH 15 High wind and cold forenoon, dug holes for trees at 3 gateways. Rec'd sheep \$6. from J. Smith Washburn. C. L. Nelson's car stopped at our gate. Eva had to take to Hammond the driver, 1100 Tractory, and two bank checks. Given 2 two children collars. Maon went


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
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
Tasty morning, fine calm day. finished plantation 3 rail and 2 barb wire fences and planted 42 trees, half macrocarpa and half pines. C. L. Nelson's man took his car home from here, Paid Doyle bill £ 3. 16. - yesterday. Paid insurance on woolshed. - off to Mabel Thomson, Dromedary Belter

SAT 17  A fine day, John and Fredy getting house blocks. All other motored to Dannevirke, got some repairs done to car. got suit of clothes, paid £ 7. 12. 6 to Mr. Poushe makes a splendid fit, got 1 cart potato, called Australian 12/6 got pocket knife - one blade. 3/6. Bought cow at Mackies - 14/6, same in Dannevirke as regards price. Rec'd cow cheque from Wairarapa Farmers Co. £ 7. 2. 0. Pen 1/6 Arthur came with us, sheep in cot in an bedroom. Mam and Eva at Pictoria.


SUN 18  Last evening after coming from Dannevirke via sledges to from Marnie one we and 3 hoggets, skinned them this morning and after Mam and Eva motored to Om. Church, sledged the 4 carcasses over to Walkers for their pigs. Paid "Lavin" our Widespread and Back. Eva today found another hogget around in a Marnie gully. John went to To Ora sawmill with Bertie second hand puffing iron and got in return some pieces of timber

MON 19  A dry breezy day. carted out to meadow stockyard manure and 2 Eva. Miss Higgins for dinner, came up by coach and Mam & Eva went home with her. John and Fredy taking down old house at Hughes. Killed nice lamb. Marnie paid Mackies bill - £ 3. 10. 1 out of cow cheque of £ 7. 2. 0. Dis 1/6.


TU 20  Finished carting out to meadow stockyard and then manure ^{alters} John and Fredy taking down old house, some more lambs. Spring day. Mam leaves

WED 21  A very fine day. spread most of the manure heaps, at midday after lunch motored to meeting of Mr. Pelony and Annie Lura. Rec'd Bill change man. Picked up John Gray & children at Mackies and motored them home after lunch numerous nice presents. Miss Trebala for tea & the Mam & Eva went to Dromedary Concert. Class & men Expeditionary Force called up. John's cot amongst them. Eva gave a comic song in Character, received a bouquet. Beulah & lower red ribbon


Finished spreading manure heaps in meadow. Mam paid £9.14-7
 Hughes went to Postmistress. Received Bank slip for outlayings £ 20.12-6
 from Williams & Skiller. 100 lbs of this wool belongs to Anton Svensen. Mr. Lyant
 and Maria called. John & Freda taking down bricks of chimney in old house.


FR 23  Every day five ewe John brought in "Pinnis" from back one with
 "Ginger" Eva killed 3 bags manure on meadow. Mam working at flower-beds
 John & Freda taking down chimney's at old house. Sledgea took up to
 3 gateways and fired a log. "Lifer" came today, "moss" came last month.


A farewell concert tonight for Private Murphy. Eva & Cyril Parsons in Character.

SAT 24  How "Darkie" with bath. a drying wind, not good for young trees
 lately planted. Eva harrowed meadow. Lambs coming slowly, ewe with 3 lambs
~~one~~ one taken away and put on ewe with dead lamb, she took easily.


Very good ewe news these days. Huns being driven back, big hauls of prisoners.


SUN 25  Cold calm day, nice rain for meadow in the afternoon. Eva & Mam Church
 Matrons to Aunt. Eva pledged home hogget from Mam. The St. Saw Manager
 of the Oka sawmill at hotel, gave him order for timber for church, saw lambs.


MON 26  Fog this morning indicating much rain, which came on
 in the evening and poured all night. John found ewe dead on back
 died through being unable to lamb, pledged her home with another ewe &
 lamb to be pressed up; she soon took, took big lamb from a both ewe on Kildup
 got both in, she also took, pledged 30 yards of wire netting to 3 gateways
 and stakes to put up temporary yards for penning ewes with lambs, made
 a couple of ~~guards~~ ^{guards}.

TU 27  An unlucky day, rain last night and today, very heavy now
 at 10.30 no chance for a lamb born tonight being able to stand up, must die.
 John and Eva brought in many aying lambs and put them in front of fire
 journal recovered, 2 with their mothers under cover, giving ewes milk to them.
 Eva found one of Wills ewes drowned in creek near Pastor L. Gents. at A. Wens


Rain all last night and light today, raining now at 11 AM. Mam & Eva in Hall at Red cross business, some dead lambs seen today. John brought in 2 two tooth ewes off Midwups, one with dead lamb and one with dying lamb. Latter brought round in front of fire is now sucking a good mother, the other ewe has taken to a twin lamb with her lambs skin on, both on Catteron and any tonight, 2 tooth ewe in good condition and have plenty of milk. Good New News these days, Huns being driven back & many prisoners taken.

TH 29  No rain today, cloudy sunny, John & Eva through ewes & lambs, a few lambs found dead but many twins. Auction for dinner, squared up for pork & crutchings. Gave him cheque for £12-8-10. One pig at £4-10. Half pig of 175 lbs at 7 pence.

FR 30  A fine day, with John put up temporary milking yard at 3 gateways. put in 2 two tooth ewe unable to lamb, he took the lamb away, provided her with it and she is a splendid mother, dragged a few logs with Primus and made 2 hurdles. John shifted haygate from turnips on to 6 acres rape paddock. Good New News, Huns on the run. Eva does not feel well this evening.


SAT 31  August goes out well, beautiful day, more ewes & lambs coming, one fine ewe again with bearing down, seen to. Sent to Thomas W Deakert 5-0-6 being a call on shares by Fertilising Co. Dragged logs together & heaped them at 3 gateways and sledged posts to site of new yards. B. Engelbrecht helping John & Monday warry of old house, carted load of the iron here tonight. Raked on manger and on burnt ground at 3 gateways. Mam & Eva at Victoria


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
 A fine calm day. Mam & Miss Treabala & Miss Loring met at The Range, car went hung, had to leave it there, came home in Walker's gig. After tea Miss Treabala & Craig came and spent the evening. In the afternoon went out on back with John and we put 24 ewes with twins on to flat and then on the oats - 27 ewes there, now with their twins, and room for many more twins on the back near Higgins. A noticeable growth of grass in paddocks.


- ~~MON 1~~ A dull calm day, rain threatening. John skinned a ewe that he took
2 dead lambs from yesterday. he put skins on other lambs, ewe took to them.
He and Mr. Walker worked a while at La house. Did a little at 3 gateways
in the afternoon, but rain came on. Killed nice lamb, put 11 left, on terraces.
- ~~TUE 3~~ A fine day, but foggy in forenoon. Shoot on angusseed about our yards.
John Bertie and Mr. Walker at house-pulling. Arthur here tonight. C.L. Neilson
Historist came and with Eva took our carts Dammwick town to his. She came
home in C.P. Anderson's car driven here by him, for tea & cards Miss Treubald.
- ~~WED 4~~ A fine day, a ewe that was ailing on Prager, with John took away 2
dead lambs after a deal of trouble. Left a small another less lamb with her, she
seems to take to it, a 2 both ewe that will not take to her lamb is penned up in
mattling enclosure. Put up 6 panels of fence at our yards. Eva got Prager shed.
John Bertie and Mr. Walker house pulling. News that young O'Leary is killed
at the front. Terrible fighting going on. Germans being killed & prisoner.
- ~~THU 5~~ A very fine day, worked at top yards. Eva & John arrange get ewe & lambs
John Bertie and Freddy pulling down. At night Miss Treubald Broughley and
Miss Brewer for tea and cards. Two days ago Eva got sheepskin put on Prager.
- ~~FRI 6~~ A dull calm day rain threatening, came on heavy in the evening.
Sledged posts and nails to our yards. Eva shoot eye grassed on burnt patches
on back. John Freddy and Mr. Walker board shifting. Bertie examined & turned
down. At night Miss Treubald for tea and spent the evening. very heavy rain.
- ~~SAT 7~~ Almost a wet day. A Parovoy pair and a ewe dead on Hughes. John
skinned them and penned up a ewe on terraces that had a dead lamb, put
a motherless one with her. many lambs pass this way. Mr. Higgins called
Eva out Miss Macalister at Gov^{ts} express. Mam & Eva at Pictures, fin night.
- ~~SUN 8~~ A fine day. Mam not feeling well in the morning. Eva at Church above
John mending lambs. Miss Treubald for tea and spent the evening.

A Spring day, sledged some rails to new yards, sledged some from enclosed pen at Sgateways eve and lamb, both proved in skin tonight. Killed a fat small lamb. John mustered Marnie hoggets, daggled and sold for 26/3 32 of them in Rosewood Sale, & left behind in paddock. Neither Freddy or M. Walker water today at house-pulling. Eva searched & found Walker man


TU 10  Another Spring day. Sledged posts & rails to new yards. John and M. Walker carted timber from Hughes. John saw Fribbens about leaving Curran's - part of it, this side of road. Now "Bobloil" round, on Marnie with bus. Entertainment in hall. Marnie and Miss Trebala after tea went there.

WED 11  A very fine day, worked at new yards. John agrees with Fribbens to take Curran's house & garden for 12 months. On Friday AM: Walker carting the house timber and stacking near stockyard. Miss Trebala for tea & evening

TH 12  Another fine day, worked at yards. John helped M. Walker kill his pig and they with Freddy carted the last of the timber, the 2 bundles of skins & 4.3.11

FR 13  A perfect day, worked at new yards. John & M. Walker stacked up timber near stockyard, and covered same with iron shales. Timber carting finished now.

Arthur's Birthday, 5 years. A beautiful Birthday cake with his name on it, made by M. Edkins and ordered by Granny. Eva gave him 3/6. Mafather 3/6. Yesterday Whakatu returns of lamb's chop frozen came to hand and £32.-2-7 cheque, balance of pen centage kept back. No fresh lamb. Miss Trebala came.

SAT 14  A beautiful day. John got in "Decko" on a "Blui" off Back and made a start to plough Reserve flat. In the evening "Blui" was unwilling - gripped or something of that sort, lying down and restless. Marnie kept soothing him about until she and Eva drove in the phaeton to the pictures. Went over to Walker's to tell him about horse at 9.30, in bed, no lights. Kept moving horse until 11.30, seems better. In one respect good war news, Germans being driven back and thousands of prisoners taken, but at great expense to New Zealanders. Poor Walter Hollins killed, the latest ~~and~~ ^{his} news. Heart breaking 3/6

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Worked at yards. Molly brought in with jet black bull calf. Rec³ 150-149 nett from Wararapa Farmers Ass for Mills 32 hogg² sold at 26/6 last sale. Braemar

SUN 15 A dry breezy day. John rode over paddocks. Mam walked over with eggs. Heatsma heap of timber with iron, timber and slabs for weight w. Eva not well today, stayed in bed. complains of her head & limbs, a cold. Miss Theobald called.

MON 16 A windy day. did a bit of work at new yards. John ploughing Reserve flat. ~~Ploughing~~ Afternoon shifted wire netting on turnips, and put hogg² off ploughing Reserve flat on to fresh pea. Killed a midling lamb, light.

TU 17 A breezy day, at new yards. John finished ploughing Reserve flat. Mr. Higgins and Blanch called. Eva over Marnie a few fresh lambs

WED 18 A rough September day, rain and a little snow. John brought in two motherless lambs, twins. Eva went to football match in Ormiston. sold some home made sweets, were nail-driving competition & spent

the evening at Mrs. Allens. These sports were got up on behalf of "Oppa Tui's Red Cross", and brought in about 10. John got Military Telegram to prepare to go up. Sent cheque to William & Nellie Napier for £7. 10 and Mr. H. Downshire £13. 2

Paid out of Ten Pounds cheque for J. Mackie, latter £4. 12. 9, front £2. 10. 9. Eva also paid to Bertie Englebreton for work done at pulling down house. 35/6

THU 19 Auction sale at Carrara. has sold out and cleared out, and gone for good. Will come up by coach and went back by coach after riding over Marnie. Mam & C. drove up to hall to attend a WCTU meeting on behalf of Miss Swipers.

collected amongst a small meeting about 65. Paid R. Fredericksen £3. 12. 0. A very fine day. All hands at Walkers potato planting. John ploughing them in. After dinner there, went to 3 gateways

SAT 21 A September day, Winifred cold. Mam and Eva went by train to Downshire. Eva to get saw which she brought home and then to buy potatoes and do business, a sack of potatoes costs. John took away horses to plough in new paddock on Hughes. Rode over Midmups, no young lambs coming. Pictures

SUN 23



Anasty September day. Moved to Methodist Church. Commemoration service in memory of Walter Hollins, and then on to Aunt's, back again to Anglican Church and a congregation of six. Miss Theobald came back with John went all air back, saw a ewe with fresh twins, about the last. Eva found two ewe cast on hills and a hogget on turrips, put them right. Killed a big lamb not very fat. Made three bundles near stockyard good War news. Turkish army smashed, killed and taken prisoner. Germans being driven right back, beaten but bad weather favour them.


TO 24 ~~MON~~ Fine forenoon, rain in the evening, finishing up at new yards. Eva slamm Mr Hollins and Mr Satchwell moved to Alice's. At night Mavis Douglas and Miss Theobald spent the evening, something about a hen.


WED 25 ~~TUE~~ Put in human strainers at new top gateway, dreadful hard and slow to bore. All the others old and young went to Orm-footbale mat. Over a week, rain came on in the evening, much rain during the night. TH 26 ~~WED~~ High wind and cold, did not finish digging strainer hole at three gateways, too windy. No Alice Charley Mr Satchwell and little girl for dinner. At night attended Patriotic meeting, difficult to find items.

FR 27 ~~THU~~ A lovely day. John working with me at 3 gateways, put in cotera, strainer gateway etc. Eva put skin of big dead lamb on a small house put. At night all hands at concert. Danewitke performer. Soldiers Institute, about 25. SAT 28 Worked with John at new gates, put in big cotera, strainer gateway, fence complete past old gateways, sledged away rubbish, chips etc. no young lambs.


SUN 29 ~~FRI~~ A beautiful day. After dinner, went accompanied with Miss Theobald to Kangaroo. Mr up and about. Mr in bed, called at Aunt's. Note Mr A. Bennett.


MON 30 ~~SAT~~ A summer day. John rustered Reserve, found ewe thrown in creek. Costs 40y within lands Costs 40y lands Costs 40y lands
 docked Reserve 40; 1-6-53. Costs 27-1-53. Hughes 60-10-64.
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 Hiderups - 121-1-110. Total 248-280. Mr Walker helping. Eva and Will. Goat + children at Orm. Will harping afternoon. Killed good lamb.


 A summer day, mustered back and yarded them easily, had a 50 yards
 wing of wire netting. With Will held the lamb, all good - 287 and a 245 was big
 per centage, the 2 teeth on kidneys - 90 per cent, average all round 115 finished back
 by dinner time, then mustered Marnie - docked brought ewe lamb to 75 ewes 88.
 Sawdows - 97 was 115 lambs all good, 2 hoggets. Good for news. Pulgarinos Secunder


WED 3  A breezy forenoon, fine afternoon, skinned six fawns down in Reserve
 Will mended tank at Marnie. Afternoon all hands went to see football
 match in Fred Smith's paddock. Newwood won, 5 points to Nil.

At night all hands went to concert. Oliva Christopherson and I Fredericksen
 presented with medals. Walked home after concert with Will Gent & Cairns.


TH 3  Anniversary of my landing in Wellington N.Z. felt fearful cold.
 All hands planting potatoes in Marnie rope paddock.


 At home here docked 2 calves, a summer day. Will Gent & Co went home.
 News from Front keeps good. Allies progressing. Prisoners and towns taken.


FR 4  A nice calow day. Sledged earth to gateway at new yards and brought
 home seeds and ends. Eva rode over all paddocks, saw ewe with young single
 on Marnie. Got posts ready for new fence in front. Cheque paid Doyle £3.2.0


SAT 5  A breezy day, outdressed to Darnovika, attended Patriotic meeting.
 Cheque paid to C. L. Nelson for car repairs, to Photographer Eggerton £1.12.0
 Four pounds patriotic funds paid into Bank of N. S. W. and cheque to Soldiers


Institute. Charley Smith and Walter carted 5 tons of lime for us from Ormond.
 Three more tons at Ormond to be brought up. Eva found ewe cast in Reserve

SUN 6  Another pair of twins on Back and an undocked lamb on Hughes
 Eva rode over paddocks. Afternoon all at church. Mrs. ^{Spevick} ~~Spevick~~ sewing.



MON 7  Shifted gate going out in front, and converted hura studs into posts.

TU 8  A wet and dry sort of day, worked at fence in front when not raining,
 Marnie at Red & meeting. John & Freddy shifted tank from Hughes to Currama.
 The Germans and Austrians want Peace. Allies not at all eager.



 A good growing spring day, got in sheep off rape hill paddock docked 9 lambs, this makes 57¹/₂, a few unsheared not counted, 10 ewes to hogg² this makes 50³/₄ ewes, 113 hogglets, 7 wethers, 10 puns and a few killing hogg². The hogglets on turnips taken off today and distributed - 70 on Past, 20 Midway, 15 on rape hill - 105. Worked at fence in front. Then Eva & John at Takapau football match, Takapau won. Some Norsewood & Makotuku did not attend.


TH 10  Arthur has made a start for school in company with Paget children. ^{± 3.0} dull calm forenoon, afternoon wet. Worked at fence. Sent Ammer's 5. 12. 9 crossbred ewe - M. A. Ammer's ewe, John carted in firewood and stuff from left Midway here while her mammy is at bargain sale in Gomerā with M^{rs} Paget. Jimmy Arthurs selling off the contents of his big store.

After tea Eva and Miss Theobald rode round a block. M^{rs} Mac Donald came late to tell us that our bull was with their cows, he jumps fence. Mar news tonight says Lambici has fallen. Keeson fallen on his knees to pay.

FRI 11  Eva went early for bull to M^{rs} Donalds and put him in pasture.  John at bargain sale, bought hayfork, branding fluid, carry comb etc. ^{± 3.0}

At night Eva and Miss Theobald rode round by Kōpua. Pāwhakatu Cheque ^{± 2.7}

SAT 12  All hands except one motorist to Danmunk for Lams examination. He was turned down owing to broken collar bone affecting muscle of left arm and toe of right foot being injured at one time. 7 out of 8 would not appear, the 8th underwent a strict examination. Paid Mackies bill ^{± 1.11} 2. 1. 11 out of Whakatu Cheq of ± 2. 2. 7. Fence in front completed & well done.  John's Spanish stone carted up once more and stacked it in cart shed.

SUN 13  A lovely day, went to find number of posts required to repair fence between Hill and Firebond. Eva and Miss Theobald after dinner did the Te Anu sawmill ride. John went fishing up Ngamaka way. Maori in the afternoon had a delightful tea and gossip with several other women at the Marae. Pet lamb has disappeared, whereabouts unknown.

TH 11 Sledged out posts and tools and repaired fence between Firestone and Hill and near Reserve. Killed big water lamb, heavy skin, put on turnip 15 hoggies and a dry ewe. Eva found jet lamb on Ridge. New Post mistress arrived.

TU 16 ~~TH 16~~ A rough day and a rough night. Miss Mathews called with her car, for Mam at 7.30 and they went on to Hastings and Peto whai. Eva did ed Mills piece of ploughed ground. John docking Jorgis lambs. Tonight, a picture show in aid of Copper trail, Eva & Miss Theobald there. Hung gate at small yard near dip. Salvation woman called, gave her 2p.

WED 16 ~~TH 16~~ A rough day, windy and showery. John harrowed Mills & bought disc's here. after tea Eva and Miss Theobald rode to A B Hensons spent the evening

TH 17 ~~TH 17~~ John with disc half a day on Reserve flat and Eva half day - afternoon Put on gate fastener at new gateway - hill yards, and ploughed away left pieces

FR 18 ~~FR 18~~ Eva harrowed on Reserve flat until midday, too windy to do more. John drilled Mills rape paddock and part of Hughes had to knock off through storm. Mam & Miss Mathews arrived from Hastings at midday, suffered in terrible storm. In the evening heavy rain set in. Mam Eva & Miss Theobald intended to shall to find that School concert was postponed, came back to big fire near as

SAT 19 ~~SAT 19~~ Four sorts of climates today, cold, hot, showers and a fall of snow in evening. Miss Theobald left today, departed from Horsewood deeply regretted. Mam & Eva resolved her to supper at Omond. Evening too rough and cold to go to picture show


SUN 20 ~~SUN 20~~ A fine day after last night's snow. Rode to Dent, Piggins, talked, one go. Noon tea at Church. Mr Whibley for dinner, after which went with Mam to Harrow for an hour or two, paddocks drying up fast. Three cows on road tonight


HON 21 ~~HON 21~~ A working day. Eva winnow-salting. Mam haggling about. John started to plough back six acres. Eva took half off Harrow and drove him to Mr. Walker we saw a "Blue bird", took down & pulled up wire rutting on turnips. Killed lamb.


TU 22 ~~TU 22~~ Ground too wet to plough. John & Betty got a heath pinewood of 1200 ft. let water go out of dip; a push in creek. Mam & Eva at Harrow up "social" for "house"

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A day quite hot in forenoon, too hot to last, wet evening. John ploughing & was out ploughing weather. Walter Smith left a ton of rape manure in involved order from J Mackie, rolled up wire netting at new yards and improved place on hill where calves are fed out of buckets, about 400 taken for seed last night.


TH 24  A thorough wet wintry day, wet up to near hidge rain all last night.

FRI 25  Rain ceased at 9 AM, fine afterwards. Eva got jilly shed and put "Blue bird" grass heifer and 2 Mammo heifers out on Gundersons. She & Mam Allan

SAT 26  A dry breezy day, roads dry again, paddocks wet, ploughed a bit of gravel gateways and John ploughing six acres. Eva pots over pad & etc.


Afternoon Mam & Eva met Miss Theobald at 4.30 train from Kapiti, at picture room

SUN 27  Some showers, not a bad day. Mam Eva & Miss Theobald visited Whakina in the afternoon. Eva & Miss Theobald milked, whilst two of us went to see Betty & Arthur

MON 28  Some light rain forenoon, nice sunny afternoon, John ploughing 6 acres


Removed gateway between the two plantations. Killed bag cat, only four. Plenty of turnips left for the remaining 14 on now. Miss Theobald left by express. Today is called Labour Day. Motor bike sports in Dannevirke. Some fourwoods went


Don't go with Australian stamps to J Shaw Fitchett 506 Summer St Melbourne for 2/6

TU 29  Sunny morning, a bad sign these times, thunder rain later. John started to plough rape hill, came in wet. Grace & Betty came with him in


express later, he fetched some firewood to Carrans, shifts in this week. Mam & Eva. Letter from J Samson new Manager National Sheep Dip Co enclosing 1st class testimonial


Company in liquidation, a take-down fraud. New manager makes great promises.


WED 30  The usual breezy cold day with some showers, a little ploughing a cow, fixed up bush wagon, flour, side-bonara, and one board, cows on road evening


TH 31  Rain Rain every day, the wettest month on record. Got key of Carrans house from W. Henslow. visited house with Mam, quite dry. Louis Hedbya helped Eva to


rectify car. She & Mam at Soldiers reception meeting in Orono tonight, dark & wet. Rape seed drilled a fortnight ago not up yet, may have to sow again, too cold


 A most eventful day. First and of greatest importance, the Turks have surrendered unconditionally and the Austrians defeated and over run by the Italians. Chaos in Austria-Hungary. Germans at Copenhagen. All prisoners in Turkey free today. Helpea John shift his furniture from Marnie house to Carrans, he drove Ginger and express, drove Finnie to wagon. Last load in by four o'clock. Marnie also attended in forenoon, after dinner she and tea mistress to see Mr Ellis, Kopua way. He spent evening at school.


SAT 2  Provision allowed a few day yesterday for shifting, the usual thing today, more showers. All hands from two houses moved to Dann winter. Attended Patriotic meeting. The usual applications for aid, some to start in business, we bought small bag Australian potatoes for 15p, some of them rotten. Repetition influenza. Marnie window gazing, gave her a 25 cheque, she paid Williams & Hall's bill £ 2. 2. 6.

SUN 3  Another wintry day. Marnie she mistered to church and back again, no one there, then on to Oronoia. John brought cow "Bliss" over from Marnie.

MON 4  A fine day at last but ground too much soaked to cultivate. Went to sale, only one mob of sheep, not sold. At night attended Patriotic meeting resolved to commemorate today's good war news of Austria's unconditional surrender. A circus tomorrow night made some members wish to postpone the public meeting in hall until Wednesday night but patriotism crying out of so many members the meeting must be held some night as circus. Meeting to be free to the public. Members tonight contributed 3p each for use of hall. Killed fairly good hogget. Eva found hogs on back east, put it right.

TUE 5  Very Fine Day. Dry enough for John to drill rape seed in Reserve flat and Eva harrowed and pulled it. Will come up by coach, went back with him.

WED 6  Fine day at Patankai, reading war news and dragging about.

THU 7  Another fine day. Will sold his Deline to Henry, went to Kopua lawyer to have it transferred, went with him, interviewed Miss Theobald, she looks just one beauty, she had a man killing microbes all round her. Some influenza patients in hospital.

FEB 11
 A misleading Race Proclamation, madness seized Kapiia people
 and other places went frantic, no harm done. A New York Telegram did it.
 Workers at Kapiia Hastings and other places willingly downed tools. Auctioneers
 in Danmowick unable to speak felt or his turned out, stock some to the
 house. has thin procession, Konoowai ten music, crackers, bells, speakers in hall
 and deeply offended the Patriotic chairman with so much dirt. John Mann & Co.
 ordered to Danmowick intending to buy sheep, but excitement barred it,
 they then sent one at Orono station having been driven to Tawona by Will.
 to catch quarter to one train, 2/3 fare to Ben 2nd class, fine day at Pakowhai
 but very high wind last night and heavy showers, here at home extra high wind
 and heavy showers. limbs of trees blown down. People in expectation of early peace.
 SAT 9 ^{10/11} A windy rough forenoon. John with six on 6 acres, then to Danmowick with
 Mann and Cow, did a few jobs about the place. Put lambs fleece 11 lbs weight, bands
 Billie and pieces, show her on Tuesday last. Sent back sheep skin account to
 Williams & Kellie, a mistake made. Credited me with 12 skins. I sent 18 or 20.
 SUN 10 ^{11/11} A lovely sunny day, a boy came for John to go with others towards Rangas
 After dinner rode over paddocks, found ewe cast in Widesups, paper put up on High
 Mann & Co. ordered to Danmowick, after tea to Alice's, fare on back for sheep, not much sheep
 MON 11 ^{12/11} Another fine day. John with six on 6 acres. Ewe got in ewe lambs off
 flat, dogged them. Killed hogget - the last for the season, good enough
 meat. Pulled wool off dead ewe on back seen by Cow. Put in row of potatoes in garden
 and bins and old ashes. C. Smith carted up from station 25 tubs & hanks red
 twine. At night attended Patriotic meeting. Ngamoko people there. Race expected
 to be proclaimed tomorrow, a program devised on, Thanksgiving and other items
 and a procession day following. During absence in Pakowhai & ten manua got.
 TUE 12 ^{13/11} A most wonderful day. News came about 10 AM that Race was declared
 a meeting in library got up program for tomorrow, children's sports, tug of war
 meeting tonight barred by health officer, school picture show too, influenza deaths
 in some places. John also borrowed with 4 put 6 acres again.

One of the greatest days ever Koroowood saw. A great procession, planted from Mackie's corner. motor cars and all sorts of vehicles decorated. Soldiers in uniform, boy scouts, salvation bands, civilians men women marching tabl. Britannia and representatives of allies, all marched and out on school grounds. tea and lollies served out, children's cases and prizes for all little ones, more money prizes for older boys and girls. tag of war, more summer Koroowood & Koroowood, former won. Speeches made at end and thanks to all. rain light set in at finish and increased, continued all night. In the forenoon before starting for procession John and Eva got back 5 1/2 acres into shape just in time. At night Mam & Eva motored to Glen ^{St. Michaels}, a procession held there.

Not much noise or rejoicing in Danmunkie; too much influenza and deaths, many deaths it is said in Northon camp, Wellington and other places. Robertshaw came in

PR 14 ~~PR 14~~ Much rain last night, took up this forenoon. Paid Mackie 32-10-6 out of a Forty pound cheque; also W. Thomson for 8 cases of benzine £7-10-6, then W. Grant £4-13- and received 3p discount. Mam & Eva motored to Danmunkie John took him out to paddocks where rape must be sown again. Gurginski took bull away for a few days. Mrs of a St. Jonason in Kaipara now hospital dead.

PR 15 ~~PR 15~~ A sunny day. John and Eva harrowed, rolled, and drilled Hughes 4 1/2 acres a second time, seed of first sowing did not grow, buttons and used this time. ~~PR 15~~ chopped down thistles tall wing on turnip paddock to be ploughed. Found on ~~PR 15~~ Mills paddock a good weas, skinned and took shoulders home for dogs, found in Marine creek a hogget unable to get out of water. Mam bought 25 lbs tea, 2/ppts from a travelling tea seller. Some of us troubled with influenza so far. Birthday 70.

PR 16 ~~PR 16~~ A fine day. John & Eva harrowed, rolled, and drilled Mills paddock a second time, used 4 bags lime, used manure before, finished fairly early. ^{cut down 6 on 10/11} cut down all big thistles on turnip paddock, put all sheep off flat on to turnips. Many bad cases of influenza about. Son Pigger F. Devereux - heading, boys' son, all have warts and chilblains, and Murrey another young man out Nelson way.

MON 16 A fine day, made Ficus over every paddock. Mammie included, Hughes harvest of feed, put the 3 calves, two heifers, one bull out on Flat, good feed on Back. H. Burtenshaw called, he lifted a cast iron on back. Another influenza victim. Ethel hale that was once married. Mr. Burgan and also late Mr. Neuling's wife. Mammie and Eva at Aunt's.

MON 17 A summer day, digging in garden and put in a few rows of potatoes. John ploughing Eva out for Mrs. Allen & Mr. Shulas but Mr. Allen in answer to an urgent telegram went to Wellington or camp where his son is seriously ill, many deaths everywhere from influenza. Mr. J. Rigger & young Adgate at Mr. & Kettle Dammerick the latest.

TUE 18 Eva put all sheep off Hughes out on Back. Hughes wants a few weeks space.

TUE 18 A fine forenoon, afternoon thunder lightning and hail big as marbles.

Went to funeral of Mrs. Burgan, vehicle and people waited at Boylie's for hearse to come from Dannevirke. Girl said to be a presentative, bought a bottle 18/6.

WED 20 Fine forenoon. John finished ploughing single & started turnip paddock. Eva mowing thistles with scissory when rain came on & continued.

Put sheep off Flat on to turnip paddock. Influenza still prevalent, many deaths.

TH 21 Last night at tea time Mr. Love told John that he sent us word by some one that F. Selby was not expected to live (influenza), the someone did not tell us

so we three motored to Omei and saw Ella, she is getting some on to stay with her. Auntie is with Mary and not much hopes for Ficus. Eva tonight with Miss Allen

has motored home here from Almas after breakfast and then we three went to Ella's. One cow she could not get into the bale to milk, we helped her on a

Eva milked the cow. To word a message from Selby's before we came home.


Showers today. John ploughing turnip paddock, Eva on Back, found hog-cast.

In tonight's paper some more deaths in Dannevirke, after tea we motored to

see Ella, no letter or message from Aunt, a message from Mr. Hunter that F. Selby

has taken a turn for the better, after bringing me home Mammie went back to stay

with Ella - she not feeling well, and Eva to stay with Miss Allen. Yesterday paid C. Admitt's bill for carrying bones & skins etc. - £2 - 16 - 8.

 Many deaths from influenza at Dannevirke, Knight Karitania
 Meari young woman, at Te Otua Meari father & daughter & Ironson Manager
 of sawmill - Mberoa. M. Lee called this afternoon to say F Selby is not out
 of danger. Mam & Eva came up this morning and soon went back to Elka
 Mam was with her last week night, rain last night wind tonight.
 John ploughing turnip paddock in the afternoon. Milk separated twice


SAT 23 Went with Mam & Eva to Elka. She has influenza and in bed. Eva at Elka

SUN 24 Eva visits Elka every night and morning, comes from Akaroa before breakfast


MON 25 Laid slabs in Elka's stockyard where cows go into bales. Elka's temperature 102

TU 26 The only news from F Selby's is that he is still alive, has a good nurse, hopes
 M. Murore brought us a fowl ready to cook and a leg of mutton. Elka improving
 Mam & Eva motoria home brought one tools to repair gates. F Selby improving
 News has come that F Haskings has died from influenza. M. Allen able to get up


WED 27 Auntie arrived by 5 o'clock train, left Teas with hopes of getting well
 we decided to come home and go back tomorrow. 3 deaths at Mangatona today.


 Mam & Eva came home after dinner. I stayed with Elka. Eva shifted
 sheep on Marni, got back and paid David Fox in Diamond £22-18-1
 besides exchange 7/- boy in P. O. charged 5/-. Anton Svensen came after tea.

TH 28 Heavy showers today. John tried to do a little ploughing, had to break off.

 Mam & Eva motoria to Akaroa back. John put 60 sheep mostly ewes on Hughes

FR 29 M. Lee had trouble here on road with his cow. John & Eva put him right. Killed
 an old S. Dr. sampler eggs. Victoria to Akaroa and with her took train Mangatona

 Saw F Selby in bed having his dinner, looks well, came back by 9 train
 Much rain today. At bedtime Eva heard sheep disturbance, went out back. ^{ploughing} Pearly house.

SAT 30 A fine day at last the wettest month on record, no shearing can be done thousands
 of sheep shorn early die. Put in a short row of Australian potatoes in
 kitchen garden. John got in 2 loads firewood and with him in turnip paddock in
 afternoon. Mam & Eva visited school, inmates Meari woman & children, M. Lee's house

SUN 1st A great deal of rain has fallen today. John and M. Pickett drove to beyond Gundris and Magnusson's, shot 6 rabbits and 2 hares. Mam & Eva on horse back to Aunt's, had dinner there. Eva up. Arthur with me most of day.

MON 2nd Saw Holly in Gorinty's paddock with bull, rain now & then today. John & Freddy put in seeds in Mam's cultivation paddock. Eva took her turn in attending to patients in school up to 9 P.M. Went round sheep in east

TU 3rd A fine day for a wonder. John & Freddy with two discs and a harness finished angle flat. John helped Freddy with mowing and evening £5-12-6 paid by Mam - amount of Pickett's bill. 14p deducted for biscuits. Mam and Eva motored to see Eva, she is up now. M. Rawsthorne borrowed drill, his broken down. Mam taking her turn mowing in school tonight, Miss Hilda Olson with her.

WED 4th A second fine day. John and Freddy digging turnip paddock. Eva got in Widorups ewe lambs and 22 hoggets picked out better, put ewe back. Got in Reserves and picked out 7 hoggets, ewe put on Widorups, 159 then ewe and 29 hoggets on Reserve. Will came up by express, went back by 3.30 train.

TH 5th Hedges stakes battens etc from 3 gateways, repaired hurdle going from flat out on Back. John with discs had to get Pickett to repair a break. heavy rain set in at evening. The big horse roller broke down with Freddy on

FR 6th A breezy cold day. Mam and Eva at Aunt's whilst she was with Mary. Fara had a bad turn a few days ago, is better now. John mowing. Anton, Freddy, Douglas, Arthur and John for dinner. News of M^{rs} Walter Parsons death. Anton & P. Johansen finished shearing Fienbomas sheep. Paid Pickett's bill £3-2-0

SAT 7th A dry windy day. M^{rs} Walker rolled hill and angle, John drilling, phages out manure for Mam with Tracy. Mam went by express train to see Will on business. Eva left her at train and motored Julia Erickson to see her sister in school, she is seriously ill. Mam got £2-choyru charged at Black. Mrs. Kettle's Dawn winks bill to hand. Koollal's 5/6 each besides carriage. Wind tonight and a cool enough. M^{rs} Smith passed away in school at 5 P.M.

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FRI 7th

A terrible rough day, high wind, rain driven, too rough to go in phaeton to the two funerals of Mr Walter Parsons and Mr Clarence Smith. Went in car, took two wreaths. John did likewise. Rev Mr Oliver had a service in house at Parsons and a short one at each graveside in cemetery, coffins taken in two motor cars, many people for such a rough day. Jimmy Dean gone too.

MON 9th

The usual wet day. I have buried today. John went to funeral with wreath. Eva and Marn at railway station, better weather in Pukaruaia. John went to over paddocks, found 2 hogglets east and one west, sheared latter home.

TU 10th

Much rain fell last night and heavy showers today. The ewe that John sheared in yesterday he has got pound today. A death about today.

WED 11th

A fine day, ground too soft to drill, cleared up and worked out ewe sheds, got in Hughes sheep, picked out hogglets and daggled all also those in Reserve, put Hughes ewe lambs back 38 and 51 ewes daggled hogglet into Reserve, the 25 bales got from Mr & Kettle Darnovite the wrong sort too short. Today used drill in afternoon to put in Gorinski's except 15-5-0 cheque sent to Mackies to pay his bill of £13-14-8. allowed 4% discount.

TH 12th

Turns out a fine day, John got in back sheep, we daggled 103 they are very daggly, in good condition, put back 200 out daggled, picked out 123 hogglets from amongst all ewes they are by themselves in Reserve, the total count is 623 sheep besides 10 ewes, a few waddlers lambs, Marn & Eva motorise Darnovite they brought from Mr & Kettle 10 three quarter bales, 50 inches or 48. The shorts 42 or 44. Sent to Napier a bundle of 10 skins by Walter Smith, a few small ones left.

FR 13th

Rain last night a drying day, John drilling Eva pulling until Friday came at 11 am, then John got in Widdups ewe lambs, and we started to dag Anton room in the afternoon with his 70 ewes he helped us dag and we then finished Widdups at 7.10 and put back in their paddock, very bad to dag. We got in Reserve hogglets at midday - 123 and finished daggling them and then put them on Flat Reserve for ewes now. Anton's 70 ewes in shed tonight.

FRI 13 The finest day of the month. Anton and Peter Johansen shorn the 70 in shed last night, sheep big, good clean fleeces, well shorn by 3 o'clock. John dragged back sheep in new yards - see, their hoofs must be seen to when time permit. Mam & Eva mended soon after dinner to Paderborn gave Mam cheque for £12.0.0 to pay Mr. Grants bill of £8.10.0 and Poylis £1.10.0 what for taking them away.


SUN 15 A beautiful day. Miss Allen and Mr. Allen drove up & doctor'd Eva's horse's leg, and Miss Allen & Ella in the afternoon. Anton came with his flock of ewes lambs in the evening, put 80 ewes in shed and 71 outside.



MON 16 A good shearing day, John had cows in bales at 4 AM, 160 milks before making a fire. Anton Peter & John put out the flock - 150, took them all day. Peter did not wait for tea, Anton took his ewes & lambs home after tea. He filled a sack with Anton's pieces & cloths and put his bellies in a bag, put 48 fleeces in press before dark, got in the hoggie - 123 and more than half in shed tonight. Mam came home by train and coach. Eva stays with Gert a few days longer.



TUE 17 Another good shearing day, put out the 123 hoggie in Paderborn now good fleeces and sheep, put in Hughes 37 ewes, shorn some of them, remain in shed tonight. Pessia and branded Anton's 5 bales. W. Smith carted four of them to Orona. Pessia one hoggie of ours, 43 fleeces filled press. Mr. Walker working in shed today, Anton staying here tonight, good moon.



WED 18 Good shearing weather, shorn 150 Peter Anton John and did some mustering of Widdersup let in shed tonight, sheep fat and cutting good fleeces. Mr. Walker helping, pressed and branded 4 bales one hoggie 43 one 45 one 41. One & bred ewe 34. Eva Gert and 2 children come in afternoon.



TH 19 Weather continues good, John & Anton mustered back early, before sunrise the 30 of them shearing, back sheep in good condition, and good fleeces. 50 in shed tonight. Mr. Walker pressing. Bale No 5: 47 fleeces No 6: 43 No 7: 47. Eva Mam Gert & young ones went to Danner's sick, brought back 16 woolbales. Sent Cheam £5.0.0 to Farmers Fertilizing Co.




 The shear of them shearing away, the end of wool in shed tonight. 34. Pressed & branded N: 8-20, N: 9-28, N: 10-35. two more bales of fleeces to be pressed & branded and a bale of bellies. Mr Walker great help. 4 bales carted to Omond² by W Smith. Killed an old 50 ram for dogs.



SAT 21   Finished our sheep soon after breakfast. Eva got in Marnie 190 and show until 2 to 3. 82 left for Monday. C Smith also carted 7 bales in the forenoon and Walter 2 in afternoon = 13 a bale of bellies to be pressed yet. Bale N: 11-55, N: 12-40, N: 13-46. two fleeces on hand before shearing. 2-15-6. One gun sent to W W Martin, tea man Wellington. Pressed one Marnie bale 48.


SUN 22   A dry day, all stayed at home. Ella Grant home for her birthday, tea with us. Got in sheep of flat after milking - 81. All in shed tonight. A breeze springing up.

MON 23   The 81 sheep shown just before dinner. Light showers in the forenoon, heavier afterwards, enough to prevent Lorna bringing his sheep. Pressed two bales, Mr Walker helping until midday. Paid P. Johnson £5-10-0.


TU 24   A chance for Lorna getting his sheep shown before 2 o'clk. W W Smith & P. Johnson paid by cheque for blacksmithing work done. Will come by 2nd express. Eva out him. It might stayed by the fire with Gert. All others went shopping for toys etc.

WED 25    A dry cool day, the floor strewn with toys and presents for old and young. Arthur and Biddy had their stockings filled here as well as at home, came down with their Dad & Marnie after breakfast. all had dinner together and game on lawn. John & Will shot here on Back. Marnie went over to Walker and took a five pound cheque to Mr Walker. John & Will went over to Reserve and put haggets off it on to flat. They shot one & pulled the gun.


TH 26   A fine forenoon, with John & Will pressed and branded the fourth bale, then pressed a bale of bellies, then all hands got ready and motored in two cars to Methodist picnic in White Park, young people played rounds & other games. Rain at 5 PM and heavy pinna by lamb that John & Will pulled out of Back Creek yesterday. In evening I had called and I am to give away Biddy tom on our Policy.


 A beautiful day. Motored to Church with Rev Whitley, Eva and Mam. Met Mr. Keeb and his bride Miss Roberts had the pleasing duty of giving away the Bride, a cheerful wedding and much joy.


Something wrong with the wheel of our car, had to leave it at the church and afterwards C.P. Anderson brought home carefully for us and as he had to motor to Dannevirke on business he brought the axle caps that was required for our car. Mr. Luna brought his sheep and Peter John Anton & Harry Fredericksen show more than half of them perished in a shed tonight. Our last 2 bales processed. No 14 Bellies. No 15. Bellies at bottom pieces on top. Processed one bale of Lunds. 25 fleeces. At night attended patriotic meeting in reading room. A concert to be held on New Year night.

SAT 28  A good shearing day. Harry John Anton finished shearing now. Processed his 4 bales of Romney, 2 bags bellies, 1 bag pieces, 1 bag dead all branded and in shed ready to be carted away. Walter Smith took our 2 bales - 14 Bellies. 15 Bellies at bottom, pieces on top, and Mills 4 bales & Bruckner John in the afternoon carted in a load of firwood. Eva Mam & Bazil at Pictures.

SUN 29 A wet day. Mam & Eva at church and at Auntie's. John got in our car with

MON 30  Fair in the forenoon, much rain in the afternoon. William Todd motored here with his nine woolbales, too short for price just in a false bottom

 to suit bales. John noticed a lamb daggly and on aggotly, got in mob off Widenups, daggled all the lambs that required it. Reversed staves the on aggotly one. Mam & Eva motored Dannevirke with car wheel, brought back fixing which is unsatisfactory, must incur more expense to do properly.

TU 31  A fine day John got a load of firwood up to Carrara and he & Mr. Walker repaired a cricket shed. He got in a cut of nine lambs off Widenups - 4 of lambs and put them on Hughes. He communicated with F. Selby by phone re fat lambs in pens to go next week. Eva cut Gunderson's meadow and Wills. Mr. Graham & the girl for tea and spent the evening. Last day of old year and bloody war ended.

TH 2 A dry day, breezy at times. All hands went to see cricket match - Down v. Newwood, latter won by one run. W. Todd came late with hogg's 120 in overcoat.

TH 3 B B B Breezy in the forenoon, wet afternoon. John and W. Todd shorn before breakfast. Peter started after breakfast, the mob 199 hogg's shorn except 16. Jack Todd called and shorn 8. Wool bag stained and broken and dirty fleeces shorn until nearly dark, got weights of wool, sale factory.

C. Smith and J. Pears took to station skins 4 bales and 4 packs of wool. Last night Mam Eva and Bogil went to concert in hall to welcome Soldier Nicholas, big crowd £13 taken, medal as usual presented etc.

FR 5 B B B A fine drying day, John's birthday. After shewing the 16 in shed Todd went home and motored a load of hogg's fleeces to be pressed. John & Harry hord and earthed up potatoes on Mam, used horse and implement. Fence Stra paddock near dip - repairs, repairs and made lamb proof. At night attended meeting in reading room, committee formed to work Gyronkama at end of month - 29th to raise money for returning soldiers and other purposes. was made v. President, promised them two guineas. £2 charge given to Mam to buy butchers meat and go to justice show.

SAT 4 B B B A very fine day. Peter John & Will Todd shorn something over 200, hogg's mostly. Pressed but did not see a bale - 50 fleeces. Todd shorn 6 or 8 and handed over the fleeces. W. Todd took his shorn sheep home.

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MON 6 B B B Peter John & Will Todd finished the 112 soon after dinner and pressed them. bales. 5 pressed own, many hogg's to be pressed, much pain. Will came & went back.

TU 7 A dry day. Saw buyer. All hands came at 7 am or nearly so, John had back sheep in yard and was mustering Widgeys. Eva plucked over Mam's sheep. Picked 74 of our lambs at 24th. 22 ewes at 27th. Mam 71 lambs at 24th. News at 27th. John drove to station at 4. 30. W. had more trucks than tomorrow. Eva started to cross meadow. W. Nicholas and Miss Halliburton called. Today one of our ewes jumped through fence into Mam's.

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SAT 9 A very good harvesting day, Eva raked remainder of paddock and then with Bert and a young one took train to Darroville and brought home here the Dr's car, loaded hay with John and got in all Walker's hay. Eva and John in the afternoon cut some of our meadow. Eva enquired in Darroville the price of Dips at 11^{th} and Farmers. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ per can, 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ per gallon.


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SAT 11 Breezy weather, got in some hay and all raked into windrows. prepared two bales at end of shed to receive hay, Mr. Walker helping. John got in load of firewood. Will come up in afternoon. Miss Mathews for tea and gone to pictures with Maori Eva and Bazil. Sent cheque to C. H. Smith for wool cartage 2^{d} 1^{d} 3^{d} 2^{d} 3^{d} Received cheque from Gear Co. for 74 lambs at 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 22 ewes at 27 $\frac{1}{2}$ = £106. 14. 9


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
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 A sunny day, got in last load of hay, rickings stuffed it into shed. Arthur has a sore mouth. Maori Eva Grace & children moved to Samsonite and Mr. Blair prescribed for Arthur, they got down of Coopers of Lina Dept. Eva & Bazil with Auntie again tonight. Elka Grant and Miss Bingham called.


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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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A summer day. With John and Peter shorn the 140 lambs and left ewes and lambs on flat tonight with the view of dipping tomorrow lambs ticky and raps on Reserve flat ready for eating off. Mr. Walker got on ewe and raps and raked the last of his hay. Letter from George to say he is coming tomorrow. Letter from Will to Bert to say he has accepted with a burlain and procured his section at Pakowhai. Pina Peter £2.00 for two days shearing. Marn and Eva at Akhoro tonight. Dr and Mr. Vetch. Marn called to see me, but Marn told them I was too greasy to come in contact with and not at all presentable, they are gone to Wellington.

TU 21 Got in ewes lambs off flat, picked out 95 raps lambs 303 ewes all hams could not get them away from woolshed, took 5 or 6 times, had to mix them with half of the flock, and have draft them at dip. put them on Reserve raps when dry, afterwards dipped 309 ewes & lambs, amongst them 33 ewelies 50. Put them out on back. Marn & Eva, Mr. Mrs. Allen Mr. Sanders re Craw-fishing or juer-wicking Kōpua way. Mr. Lund Miss Jōyapaia £2.5.0 expenses of his shearing. Bert and a youngsters met George at Express. We used Cooper's non-poisonous fluid dip. Got ball cheque £2.6.3 with

WED 22 Another good dipping day. 32 tags before breakfast. Hagha 361 dipped today, 124 of them woolly lambs, all put back on Haghas. Bert with Eva to see cricket match at Ormond. Letter from George & Charles, walked to Alice's house empty. The family at a neighbouring jic'nie

TH 23 A summer day. Mr. Goinsky, kid cut our oats. Mr. Walker telling. He shifted the sheaves as cut, finished by 3 PM started at 10 AM. Paid for work 10p. Eva ordered to Ormond. out Dr and Mr. Vetch, met them here for the first time since they came home, both look splendid. Saw Dr called on little Biddy, her mouth and gums sore. Dr sent her a bottle. Afternoon with Marn & Eva, Dr and Mr. Vetch welcome home in hall, a packed house. A medal brooch presented to Mr. Vetch, a medal to the Dr and one to Mr. Hunt.

WED 22 Much grass and turpits amongst oats, bales of sheaves heavy. Got return of wool valuations from W^m & Hiltz, 8 bales of Hogg's 16, 10 bales ones 18 & 20, 1 bale of Bellies in pieces & locks at bottom 11 1/2. M^r Todd's cheque for shearing 6-10-

FR 24 A bale of Bellies 11 1/2, a bale of pieces bottom and locks, bellies on top to be regressed and sold later on. Marnie wool 15 3/4. Lunds 15 3/4. Got in Xmas - 3 Downys and 7 20, and dressed the hoof of one, put them in Reserve. At night attended Gynokhana meeting in library. John cutting Marnie meadow today, Charley taking it back from machine.

SAT 25 Still warmer. John finished cutting Marnie meadow then helps us - Ed, M^r Walker and Charley to tie the oats with floor. did not finish tying all the oats. Will come by 4 o'clock train. Got out by

SUN 26 All hands tie the oats before 12 then carted in. Will & M^r Walker working until all was finished. First time the oats was harvested and got in by 1 o'clock.

MON 27 Got into shed all the Marnie hay, a big days work, had to rake it. M^r Walker, Charley Barty and Arthur Engelbretson. John Eva. Freedy & one and wagon after coming from factory. Eva borrowed M^r Bagel's horse wagon. A big crop of very good hay. Will went by 10 o'clock train. Marnie harvest in bag, a cold

TU 28 The boys out all night fishing in Manawatu. John Charley Oliver Christopherson Arthur and Barty Engelbretson, caught many eels and trout. Very heavy rain about 10 o'clock. At night Ella Davis and Miss G Gordon called.

WED 29 An immense amount of rain fell today. Gynokhana postmarked Friday.

TH 30 A fine day after yesterdays downpour. outona to town with Eva. 10/- paid to Arthur Engelbretson, to M^r Grant as a donation to Gynokhana 2-2-0. Got a dozen tickets from M^r Chicken for all in the house, Arthur & Biddy 1 each.

FR 31 A fine calm cool day, at the sports 10 to 11. had charge of sheep for guessing took 100 & 2 carcass inclamsa. Eva had her guessing, took 20-0-3. John had best luck, fell near top in 200 yards, winning easily. Walter had a bad fall on his rough to ark. This has been a lucky month for us, crops in dry, also shearing well.

FRI Fine forenoon, much rain afternoon. Motored to Darnley with Marn & Charley, attended meeting at Soldiers Club, many applications. Got four short wool packs at W. & S. Skelton and paid their account. 11-6-5 with a cheque for ten pounds more, balances drawn by Marn. Called at F. Selby's to see a truckload of lambs ready soon. Killed a lamb for Marn.

SUN 2nd A dull calm day. Marn & Eva with W. Skelton motored to Church's congregation, shot service. John & Charley shot 2 hares and one rabbit. F. Selby's boy Jack and Miss Shaw called, F. S. will come on Tuesday and get through lambs.

MON 3rd A dark, dull calm day. John repaired fence along road at Hughes paper. Dig out and slayed in parts of flat, erected some for wire netting traps to get large mice from yards. Marn & Eva motored Charley to train in his way home.

TUE 4th A big sheep day, all ewes and lambs got in, off Marn too. F. Selby came at midday, went through all ewes lambs and Reserve paper lambs too, got 64 lambs from amongst ours. Got 52 lambs and 4 ewes amongst Marn's lot.

2/6 for ours 2/1 for Marn's lambs and 2/3 for ewes. Picked out 303 rejects and put 110 on Hughes paper, 4 ewes included, put 100 on Back paper, 63 lambs in yards tonight for Reserve flat paper, all ewes with shorn ewe lambs in yards and show paddock tonight, fats in stock yards tonight. Found wire netting fence from woolshed to dip yard very useful today.

WED 5th Marn shorn all ewes. Paddled on back of neck with red or blue 2/6 good ewes, with them 126 ewe lambs and put on Back, 60 cull ewes on Reserve. 11 cull ewes with 63 lambs, woolly and shorn on Reserve paper. 171 cull ewes, mutton. When coach went past John took the 120 fats to Orm's. Return for 9 sheep skins from Mrs Skelton. 2 fetched 11-1-9 (18/4) 1 at 1/2. Nine fleeces at 3-7-8 with. None shorn.

THU 6th Marn & Eva, 3 big calves, 2 of them steers, put out on Kidwings. Marn & Eva at Victoria. Drove to Orm's with John, trucked ours and others 38 and 37 in truck 3 trucks. We cut each foot round stables, too much soft meadow amongst it. Yesterday paid Bertie Longbottom 1/6 for a days help in getting in Marn's hay.

MON 1 A harvest day, cut cocksfoot around stubbles and pine plantation bagged and carted it home. Put on stubbles 800 ewes & 2 hams, culls and 162 on Hughes. John partly overhauled Mann potatoes & helped H. Kordby dip 342 hams.


TUE 2 At night attended a Patriotic and Gungahana Sports meeting & 20 well in hand. Received wool cheque for 14 bales, 3 hog's ⁵/₁₆ 10 ⁵/₁₆ & well £371-3-11
10 bales are fleece 150s. 273-10-3, 1 better 110s. 21-5-8, 1 bales Baitin & per to be sold.


WED 3 Paid County rates £19-4-9, Nelson's £17-5-10, 1 bill £5-10-0
to P. G. Grant £9-3-9 and Doyle & C. £6-15-0 with cheque £16-5-0
Mam, Eva, Ella and Jean Grant, motored to Darnweirke, Edna's Birthday, 21 year
John finished overhauling Mann potatoes. Took some up by train and 100 at.


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Mr. Cyril and Mr. Kerans and children called to see Eva on Music lesson business.


FRI 5 Got in Mann sheep, took out lambs and dipped them, 72,
and put them on Reserve paper. Put back the ewes - 160. Kept the 350 Mann same
here, and doctor the hoof of one that to tomorrow sale, young cattle down but
fat cattle and bulls a fair price. Will left by 10 train. At night with Eva attended
welcome home to 4 plains - Selma & Christopherson and 2 others. Mam and Eva
motored to Darnweirke, something wrong with car, time to part with it, a gear in
use and repairs begining to look formidable. Mam & Eva fell in love with a new
one in Nelsons Garage, but very expensive. The weather now is all that can be said.


SAT 6 Fairbaird with Harry Fredrickson dipped 417 lambs, John helped
and then went to Chas. Smith's shearing job, did not buy. G. L. Neilson
came with a new Habermat car, Eva went with him for a spin, satisfactory.
Price high, agreed to take it, he takes our car, value at £200 in part payment.
He requires new car as an exhibit at Darnweirke show tomorrow & next day.
Doctor's hoof of a Mann ram and put the 3 on meadow with our 10, but some
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
 A cool calm day, rain threatening, secured a catch in case of heavy rain. John carted in a good quantity of firewood, but two packages of Californian wethers on Reserve raps flat. Mam Eva, Mr Kitch and Mr and Mrs Allen invited to Dannevirke to witness some sort of entertainment tonight. Price ^{Original £ 2} Year 65-12-1 for 64 lambs at 2/6, and exchange added. Light rain has set in tonight.


TH 13  Much rain last night, patchy mist nearly all day. With Mam Eva & John returned to show a good show and big crowd, many more of the day was fine. numerous side shows, in one only, saw Pat O'Connor Irish giant, tall well-built man very intelligent to speak to, left for home at 5 PM, did not drink, long grass wet, got nice to go through for cows. Mam & Eva at Pictures tonight. try 4 year 65-12-1


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
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
SUN 16  A summer day. between 3 and 4 o'clock O L. Nelson came with new Hupp car, Messrs Sarjeant accompanied him. Paid him cheque for £225-0-0 and Eva's £150. He took Mam & Eva for a spin to near Oram's. He took our late car away with him. late went in new car as far as Northys's then milked



MON 17  James Thompson came with his 300 lambs and dipped them before dinner and again blistered a young man's leg, she is still very lame. Got new link put in press chain, ^{by Blacksmith} and finished pressing second bale of lambs wool, filled two sacks with lambs wool - 2nd class, half of fleeces wool, 1 sack of ewe belly wool, one bundle of 7 skins, all branded and bags of wool labelled


 Shifted the haystack that stood against catback, crammed it on to hayrack.
Put lambs off Reserve raps. 137 into Marine raps. But some Californians.


WED 19  A fine calm still morning. But wind bagged cocksfoot in Reserve
plantation, rain came on at 11 AM. got sea in before rain. John foot rolled
some eyes running on Flat. Mam' Lea at Methodist. Dagnars day and night.

TH 20  J. Ryan carted over 2 bales of lambs wool, 2 sacks of lambs wool, 1 sack of
bellies, 1 bag of fleese wool, 1 bundle of skins to Oromons, wrote to W. H.
brushed all the cocksfoot that we had bagged. John carted to bumper load of
firwood and paired hoofs of some ewes rams. Shifted stubble ewes on to Goodies care.


M. Walter pulled away worse step at end of verandah and put up a new one.
FR 21  F. Adrian and son dipped 167 big sheep, paid 2/6. To purchase. Paid 4/6
by M. Olson for dipping 2/6. but Californians in two places, much more to be cut.

 Shifted cocksfoot seed in woolshed, filled two cans with clean good seed.
SAT 22  Something wrong with new car. M. Neilson's new car came here with
our old car and took new one back with him. Mam' Lea motored to
Whitikama Sports. Douglas rode Trivia. John hand-drafted lambs in Marine
and put them on the raps. We put in a strainer near Creek, had paddock -

SUN 23  Light rain for a short time then fine. Afternoon motored a Quanta, saw Willy
returned yesterday, looks well, has a month's free railway travelling over N.S.
near new yards, patch of Californians there. John at Rosewood Dale,

MON 24  Finished fence at creek. Reserve - sea paddock, fired logs and heaps
near new yards, patch of Californians there. John at Rosewood Dale,
bought stein cow 25. 10 and 3 Jersey heifers (2 today) 35/ each - saw on Mam

Letter from M. Campbell. At night attended Patricia's meeting in Library.

TU 25  Sledged firwood from beyond creek in shed paddock, sawed main log
for a bridge in Ridge gully. J. Ryan took ton of lime out of shed to M. Walsh at Garfield
13 bags, and 1044 lbs over the ton. M. Walsh called and registered 3 bags, paid him 7/6.

M. Neilson sent new car back here, new number 838. took old one away. Mam' Lea
motored to Allens tonight. Got weight of lambs wool. $\frac{16}{16}$ 2. 3. 25. 17. 3. 3. 15.



A good warm dipping day. Got Mr Mackies signature to Official Assignee's paper. Paid Mr Mackies bill of £6- with eight pound cheque. F Adrian dipped his flock of ewes lambs, is to pay £1-11. Helen paid 17/- for dipping his flock. John shepherds lambs off Hughes paper on to meadow on Marrow. But Californians on paper paddock any back.



TH 27 Thomson But came early with their flock of ^{have paid} ~~3/12~~ 3/12. F Adrian paid for his dipping £1-11. F Tenby dipped ^{and paid 23/-} John in the afternoon cut blackberry vines. Fined legs on back & cut Californians



FR 28 Mr Horst dipped 306 big ewes, F Reid helping, paid by cheque £1-11. Made more fences near new yards and cut Californians. They are spreading fast.



SAT 1st MARCH 1919 Gents Birthday. Many happy returns.



Motored to Darroivintie with Mam Eva John and Walter Martinson the 2 latter to play cricket against High School boys. Paid Mr Gann 5/- insurance on Hughes house. Paid Wainar & Co Farmers Co-op. Assn £10-15-0 for cattle bought at Rosewood sale. Paid Williams & Kett balance of acct 6/8 Carriage of wool packs from Port Arthur. Attended meeting in Soldiers Institute to hear applications for assistance. Will come by train and coach



SUN 2 All at home, nothing to do. But Pigger came to see about dipping his flock tomorrow. Mam Eva to Church. Will walked across paddocks to Marrow.



MON 3 In night rain in the morning, no dipping. John and Will picked out 3 ewes to keep for breeding from amongst Marrow ewes. took lambs off paper, on Wed tonight. Will went home by 25 minutes to four train, ran off by coach from here, huffed down



TU 4 Strained wires and repaired fence. Meadow. Received a ram got through. O Teiribona dipped ewes Harry Frederickson and John helped. He afterwards dipped Widenups lot 111 two tools amongst them 5 lambs. Mr Hutchinson buried today, motored to funeral in cemetery. Rev Whibley officiated. Mr Thomson paid for dipping 3/12. F Selby called, promised to come next week. Welcome to 4 soldiers in Hall. Mam Eva going there.

Dipped the rams, 3 Romney, 7 SD and 3 Harris SD. Made fires round and away from new yards. John went to Makotukui Sale, bought 24 ewes at 16/9, 28 lambs at 12/6, 3 Romney rams at £2-10 each. All but 10 of us going to a circus at Horewood tonight. 4p, and 3p. Pronounced good.

Ben Piggis brought his 472 sheep across the paddocks, he and John dipped them, took them home by road. He paid for them by cheque £19-0-0. He dipped and put on Midwiper 19 as breeding ewes (bought ones) dipped 3 Romney rams (bought). Killed a bought 30 lamb for home use, 32 lbs.

Light rain in forenoon. Anton Carno with his flock of 2200 lambs mostly, only a few ewes and 3 rams, many ticks dead and alive seen on the lambs after dipping, must inspect them a month or 3 weeks hence and if any ticks found alive must use another brand of dip instead of Cooper's.

Strawed up virus pen in a meadow. Put the 3 Romney rams in meadow. Got in all back sheep, did not finish tagging before dinner time.

Mr. Walker helping, dipped in afternoon - 402 breeding ewes & shown ewe lambs very hard to get up to dip, ewes had to be dragged up, this is a second dipping for there was 2 lambs besides this number he picked out 20 ewe lambs, called as

All on the premises except one drove in two buggies to Manawatu through Arrian's land, Mrs Grant and Miss Trevelock joined the company. Put ewes off Flat into Hughes and lambs off Angle rape into Flat.

Doctored the hoofs of some ewes, 12, and put them in Reserve. Dipped the bought lambs, 28 and with one more dip pen & put on rape.

Dipped for Mr. Finckland 25 woolly lambs, he paid 3p. Went to Kāhara John bought 31 good ewes at 23/7 in the paddock tonight. Tried to ring up Selby so that we may get our fat lambs away, no word from him. Our lambs on grass, the rape paddock done. F. Selby took 500 fat sheep from a Chin on Saturday last cannot take our lambs. Kate E. Anderson's farm sold by auction today £25 - an acre run up to, bought by J. Feherni John paid Finckland £3 as rent to the

Out of the 51 ewes brought yesterday (cull'd 3) for Reserve, dipped 48
and put 38 of them on back and 10 on Widesups, 140 on latter now and 5 lambs
Wired off a piece of flat rape and put 307 lambs on it after we
dagged them, put 25 lambs on Reserve flat rape with the 29 already there.
Mam Betty Arthur and Got stayed at home, all others motored to Takapan
Sports four day, windy coming home, good big crowd, sports not much, there
events numerous, many dog trials. In the morning put lambs off rape into
flat for a day or so. At the sports W. Mortenson won the Hound-race, he
won a prize tea pot and gave it to Eva for threading the wash so quickly.

TH 13 John went for M^r Lund's flock, he and John Rana dipped them 224
and took them back home. We put the lambs on the rape this morning and
this evening took them off, on flat now. T. Selby called, he can only take a small
draft from each about owing to want of space at works, confined to 1000 a week,
is to come here on Saturday 8 o'clock. Shipping better after this month,

FR 14 Put fat lambs on rape again, on grass last night. Got in rams 16
and doctored the hoofs of one or two. Got in off Hughes and Reserve all stor
ewes - future pattern picked out 17 of the best as breeding ewes, dipped
them. Got in Widesups 210 ewes and other good ewes amongst them - 135. Put
back on Widesups 133 good ewes and 16 lambs doctored ewes with them - 149
a few ewe lambs with them not counted. Put 50 ewes in Reserve a few lambs
with them not counted, there are some wethers amongst the cull ewes, 200
or there abouts, total. Mam Eva M^r Hitch Ells-bury Parsons at R.S. Cement, Makelak

TH Got in lambs off Reserve rape, killed a small one for home use, in good condition.

SAT 15 Got in back ewes lambs, picked out 364 breeding ewes for back, put 450
rams and 40 Romney rams with them. Put 107 two tooth ewes with 250 rams on
Hughes. Put 120 ewe lambs on stubbles for a day or two. John Ouchiting at N. Takapan
will come up by coach. T. Selby came at 8 PM. Picked 210 fat lambs, 29 of them
shown, must keep for some days. 135 rejects in Reserve, Eva Parsons M^r Hitch in Pennington
with, lambs, etc. shown 11

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With Mamie, John & Will motored to F Selby's at Mangatara, saw the ewes he had for sale, took them to railway yards and raced off the horns ones, agreed to take a hundred of them at a pound a head, they are not well-worled shape, have been short of grass and thin, good enough mouths, must do for a season.

Got home for dinner at one. Mamie, John and Miss Jacobald motored to Auckland.

MON 17 Saint Patrick's Day. No services in Ireland. A brand new Republic.

Went up at 4 AM, got breakfast ready for he and John, they drove in phaeton as far as first river when day Party was missed, they came back for Jess, Will stayed and John was some and got to Maram with sheep about 1.30. Will went home by express. Wrote many letters this morning £4-00

J. Mackie's bill paid. £4-10-6 to C. L. Nelson. £60-2-9 to Leon Mercantile Ag Co. £10-5-4 to Williams & Kettle. Sent packet for me to Official Assignee, my signature witnessed by Miss Jacobald, letter sent to Alfred Addison and to Hugh Campbell.

TU 18 John & Eva brought in the 100 bought ewes and some others off the Maram, 120 of these was dipped and put into ^{Widmups} Hedges. Mr Walker helped. Put on top untouched for 135 or so riped lambs. Got in pattern ewes off Widmups, picked out 17, remainder put on Maram hills, others amongst them. The 17 on battens to be dipped tomorrow.

WED 19 Drove dry, carted water in wagon and 5 cans, 2 trips from stockyard gully.

TH 20 Wet weather continues. Dipped 17 ewes and with one 30 ram on overhills on Widmups now. Mamie, John two of his also. Mr Kitch motored to Napier to

FR 21 Sports. A big gathering, no one killed. On at home put logs together with Dicks

SA 22 Put out the ram winning 50 yards. 5 now on 130, 3 on Widmups.

SUN 23 Dragged logs together near new yards and plantation on Back with Gingers. Pulled out and Rowdy killed 5 young rabbits, from nest in bank. F Selby called. dinner comes for lamb on Sunday meat. had prospects for grazing stock.

MON 24 no space in freezing chambers. John repaired fence round Back and put lamb off sale for a day or so. Dragged logs with Dicks and made up fire round mangers.

TU 25 A crowd of Rosewood ladies gone eel-fishing tonight.



Some rain last night and this morning, not enough to do any good so far. John put 2 cows "Boltair" and "Palm" out on Marna dry found a lamb drowned in angle-hill creek, skinned for dogs. Yesterday got returns for 2 bales of lambs wool sold at 18% and a bale of mixed wool regraded and valued from 16 to 7 1/2 per lb, brought \$13-18-11 net. Lamb's 15-15-15



SAT 21
A rough windy day, got in Reserve rags, sheep-lamb's and killed small on 29th marked 43 off them for top rags on flat, 14 small ones for grass paddock at present. John got in load of firewood, shifted a couple of stumps with more & wagon, dug drains out near road and publican's paddock. Made up fire near mus yards. Man Eva, Basil and Douglas at Pictures, sent to Anton Svendsen his share of wool 26-


SUN 23 Got in and counted fat lambs - 210. F Selby and driver Halford


MON 24 Came at 11 AM and took them away. Could not get more than 22% all round. 29 of them shorn but very heavy lambs, or 23 for woolly and 21 for shorn, took latter although only a penny or so per head more. Protested with F S to Mr. Monson's walks over paddocks, every paddock dry, turnips not a good prospect. Dinner at Aunt's, Willie there. Eva & Man came & took me home. John went fishing. Paid F. S. Selby for the hundred ewes £100-7-6


TUE 25 A breezy drying day, no rain, much wanted. Sent to J. B. Thomas 4-10 for case of Probers dip and letter to Mitchell Brothers, Melbourne. John carted from Hughes some 6x1 gate timber, shifted 2 tooth ewes 10th and 2 30 pairs off Hughes on to Flat and went to Sorocwooa sale, a poor one.


WED 26 Eva & Man to Damovicks, took G Christopherson, Ole Man Curran and Mr. Paget, latter to see a friend in Hospital, two former on House pair chasing business, two lambs shifted from Angle on to Marna, 60 of them in Reserve. Painted boards for making 1050 gate. Mr. Walker set new tubs in Wash house. Rain fell in afternoon, not enough. C. Peterson collecting money for Mrs. Sean. 5/6


Got Bear & Co cheque for 211 lambs - 29th 21. 1861 at 23p - £ 237. 3 exchange 1/2


 A breezy day, clearing up and made fires round new yards, back. John pulling docks and cutting Old Histles. At night Mam & Eva at Robin Concert.

 Anton & Hanser came before breakfast with a mob of 5 Thompsons sheep. We sorted water in cans from stock, and spring. James Thompson came later with another mob - 512 altogether and 302 lambs dipped before - £ 3. 16. 9. it came to which he paid by cheque. Painter Olsen came with 487 ewes and a few lambs amongst them, & Harriet helping, all dipped by 1. 20. to pay later, along with last seasons dipped sheep. A beautiful warm calm day. Much water cut.

 Three flocks dipped today. John and Anton Christopherson brought 1000 flock of 158 across paddocks and back again. Anton Secorci dipped 43 some of them owned by neighbours. S Higgins dipped 30, paid 1/4. I put ewes together on Midway, got in safe lambs and killed small ones. Eva from Gut at Alinea Charly started today for school. Mam paid saddle Bartlett's bill, £ 2. 9. 0

 A calm warm day, made up fire on Back, and a saw Cricket match. Nowwood v Oxenfordville. latter 1st innings 49. 1st Inn - 132. 2nd Inn - 2. 68. Nowwood won by an Inn and 13 runs. Lambs put out of sheep paddock into flat and safe.

 The usual warm calm day. Mam & Eva chined then with Miss Furkale and Ella Grant to Aunt's and tea. Ella paid Gove's eye, away tomorrow to Christchurch. Malted over Midway, saw where fence requires to be repaired.

 C Teitelbaum dipped 211 before dinner. D. M. Tardane dipped, paid 3p. Made up fire on Back with iron chain and slugs. John blew up big log and we rolled it against another one. There is talk of a butchers strike in Longburn. Mr Giboray has refused to take any fat stock in the immediate. Our lambs look well and are fit to go, there is not much safe left. Ewes too, a great number are fit to go. I Selby promises to come but has not done so. John sent in Carl's letter to Will, bears fat lamb cheque on account. £ 237. 2. 9. 0. A Temperance lecturer in Hall tonight. Mam and Eva gone to take it all in.

As for today except the usual ones, hot day and calm. Dipped for Harro's Lambys; this with ^{75 Feb. 1919} dipper previously makes 710. Made up fins on back and made hurdle at home for Harro's Red Gate Corner. At night attended Babster's meeting in Reading room, afterwards Public Meeting, some Agawam people present. Much talk and palaver about future "Base Celebration" Another by "Public Meeting" to be held a fortnight hence. Miss M. Donald came.

WED 2 Mr. Brock with his flock of 260 ewes came across paddocks, John helped him bring and take back; then put fat lambs on second raps on back. At night the "B Club" ladies went fishing and caught half a dozen or so.










TH 3 Put in stowaway at Harro's red gate and opened gateway. Good rain came on in the afternoon, had to leave the gateway unfinished.

FRI 5 Mr. Bell on average at the saw mill called taking Andrew Stephenson log, penning Rain last night but not enough finished at Harro's new gateway. Shock grassed and raked on burnt patches on Back. John took roller to cover, got in raps lambs and killed one. F. Selby called, takes truck load of lambs tomorrow, comes about 10 AM. Mam and Eva at Presbyterian S.S. meeting

SAT 6 Fine weather again, Motina to Dawn with Eva Grace & Diddy attended meeting in Soldiers Institute, got case of Coopers Dip at H. B. Yarners. John yarded 4 fat lambs and F. Selby took 46 shown at 51 and 28 at 23, total 79. Will come up in evening team. After coming from Dawn with lining of low burst. The 4th year's boys buyer has been through our lambs, total taken so far 422 + 22

SUN 7 Dry weather again, all at home; John drove up to Wilbur to see about getting his cattle to sale tomorrow. Rode over Hugh's feed out land, sheep but not

MON 7 Anton Deussen came with 107 of H. Nicholas's sheep, before back for and Will helped us dip them. John went to Koroow on 14th, bought Corn 6 from W. Wickham, put her on Harro's. Deussen took the 74 fat lambs away, sent 2 1/2 cheques to P. G. Grant to pay his bill of £6-3-9. Bought 2-15-9, 5-2-17-6 Rickett. Balance to be squandered by Mam. Made up fins on Back.

- Filled and sent to Wellington Landa Sea Rapra. Got in lambs killed one.
- Scho went to Christophersons funeral. Sea with Miss Matthews to Semmiate.
- WED 9  With Will made a gate in woolshed, stabled out and hung in Lee's gateway in place of awkward hurdles. Made up fines etc. burning well.
- TH 10  Scho dising Reserve flat with Duke, Pirovic and Blin. Went with Sea to concert.
- TH 10  Went up to schoolhouse to vote for rising generations with Sea. Mam M^r and M^r Halper. Sea motored. Women and water drinkers could evening when the supply was exhausted. They counted 870 and beer people 119. Pictures tonight attended by the two, returns from other places will be screened. Rain fell today but not enough. Scho nearly finished dising Reserve flat. Old night.
- FR 11  A white frost this morning, water very cold but about of 13000 by over 12,000 votes, this is not decisive. Made up fines on back, all burning well.
- FR 11  Hans, Morlovic and Peter Scharron dipped their sheep - 236.
- SAT 12  An eventful day. The barrel is in front of the depot. Coming to the New Zealanders in England and their drinking wins the Prohibition. Majority of 12,000 or 15,000 has come down to 568. At midday Dr Vitch and Nurse M^r Donald brought us a little boy. Got all right. Scho dising angle and hill pasture. After killing a good lamb put the others on Maoru soon a rapra. Paid M^r Mackies bill with a £5.10 cheque. Both of them at Victims tonight.
- SUN 13  Nothing of importance today. Mam & Sea at Church and at Aunt's. Apunitea
- MON 14  Anton Svenson came early and dipped his 194 sheep. Scho with dice, madras fine in Dock. Motored to Diamond² and met M^r Baumgard also express has joined the "Eel Club". Putting them out of Batches creek tonight and at 8.30.
- TU 15  Sent letter to M^r Craig, Takapau. M^r Rankin came with his flock, 362 in this was included 108 lambs owned by Gray who helped, also another man. Rain which threatened came on at 11 and 12 o'clock and continued. Paid £2.5.6 by cheque. Will went home by express. M^r Baumgard rode out to see friends and has not returned by his time. Heavy rain. M^r Gears Cheque £78.4 went to Bank.



A breezy cool day. Sowed and saked grassed on burnt patches. John and Freddy harrowing and drilling seed mixtures in angle-hill paddock. Got from J. Mackie 9 bushels oats at 2/6 per bushel. 2 sacks of each 16 bushels English Ryegrass at 2/6. 7 1/2 cut grain on mounds at 2/3 per cut. 9 lbs Cow grass seed at 2/6 per lb. 8 lbs Trefoil at 2/6 per lb. 2 bushels Clover at 3/6 per lb. Mr. Baumgart ordered to catch train for Hastings. Saw Mrs. Sawbridge Sun

TH 17 Sowed and saked grassed on burnt patches on back. John killed hen. cow brought cow "Bobie" her from "Marnie" with a good black & calf.

GOOD FRIDAY 18 No work done today except to mix grasses in Woolshed, Ry. down

SAT 19 Rain threatening. John went out with sick but the rain drove him back. He did some sheep shearing. Dam and from H. B. Board of Rabbit trustees for 2/8 - 632. Return for 4 bags of wool from Williams & Kettle and Bank plp for £ 8. 16. 7. Bellis and bundles of lambs called 3rd Lamb - 115 lbs fetched 11s. other bags regraded.

SUN 20 A breezy day. Morn & Eve at Church. Afternoon with Eva & Miss Trebala at Aunt's.


MON 21 Races in Waipukurau and sports in Orono. High wind everywhere. John finished drilling oats in angle-hill & then went to Orono with Eva & Miss Trebala. Mr. Kitch and Drayton motored to W. races, home late in evening. Mrs. Kitch and Mac Callum came and saw baby. He is all right.

TU 22 Another breezy day, finished saking grassed in burnt patches. John and Eva ^{draining} and harrowing oats in Reserve flat. At night moulting R. 12.


WED 23 A labor day after a frosty night. Shaking grassed in Reserve flat with John and Freddy. Finished at midday three stock "Angle and Hill" had to go twice to Mackie for more seed. Got in cut of meadow too. Marnie gave a fat lamb and a lame lamb, killed the fat one and put the other out on Ridge.


TH 24 A stormy day. A little of Reserve flat blown away as John harrowed in his grassed. finished that and angle-hill paddock. gate at Stethyana and Ridge broken by the wind. Sent 2/3 to Rabbit. Trustee £ 4. 10 to H. B. Farms £ 7. 6. 6 to Williams & Kettle. on duty for Dep. James Thompson. Called to see about Dig.

Angus Day. Went with Harry Eva M^{rs} and M^{rs} Walter to Service in Hall a fairly big crowd. Rev. Paula de Gorch. Mercer, 2 Salvation ladies took part. In the forenoon John got in Merino ewes and ran off lambs that got mixed. Put back ewes 140 and one ewe left in paddock 141. Two ewes got drawn & put 96 lambs on paper. Put 41 of our ewes in Reserve and 41 on flat. 124 on small paddocks on Marora. Put 15 mixed with ewe lambs, a few ewes amongst them on stables and meadow, this makes about 216 fat value ewes to get rid of.

SAT 26 Will dry breezy weather, no growth, repaired gate at stockyard.  going into judges and fence etc. Miss M^{rs} Donald left by 10 o'clock train.

SUN 27 A beautiful day, no one came no one left. Yesterday Will came Miss Donald left.



MON 28 Messrs Thompson and Murphy dipped their 100 sheep. Paid 12/6.  One went gathering money for Peace Celebrations' gear bought and 18 she gathered without going on German Lane which is still to do. Will and John digging potatoes in Manna, dug about half, rain stopped it, picked up 3 packages at night, attended Patriotic Meeting, Program decided when Peace is declared.


TU 29 John and Will finished digging the potatoes and picking up the seed and the eating potatoes, carted home half a dozen packages. M^{rs} beauty family for 


WED 30 A hot calm day, ominous clouds of iron with Will and John and Jack two lengths in frame to be taken to Patkewhai. After dinner met on a visit Will and Eva and Ernest (sons) to see football match in Ormond's. News was there was some rough play on Ormond's side. Walter Moston's Korea injured. Marn & Eva at a Koroowood concert - show - welcome home for them soldiers. One returned soldier. Alex Woods and his brother play with us tonight, no room in Pavilion Hotel for them and upper hotel not open for public although drink is sold in an adjoining small building, and this going on for months. This has been a dry month, no heavy rain for four months, being obliged to keep so many fat sheep on hand so long feed is getting done now.





The usual dry calow day. All sheep and lambs got in. 7 bell by came at 11 AM. Picked out 78 lambs, about one half ewelly 20 lambs, he took 92 ewes, and 107 of Mills ewes. Drove Halford took away, he takes Mills tomorrow. We have 92 reject ewes left on Mann's view, over 20 lambs for home killing. Mill has 30 reject ewes on Mann's. We have 5 killing lambs on good pasture.


TH 2  Put cow "Larkie" out on Gundersons with other cattle. Picked up some  carted away all potatoes off cultivated patch on Mann's. Halford took sheep.


SAT 3  High wind tonight, dry day. Put fixture on car door so as to keep it shut. John carted in firewood and shifted sheep on Mann's. Sam Eva & Hazel pictures.

SUN 4  The usual part of day. Mann's Lea to see Aunt & Florrie. John honey gathering.


MON 5  Sale day in Rosewood. Mann caught the turkeys. John boxed and sleek them to sale, also took Mr. Walker's little pigs, rather fat. Turkey hens up. Gobbler 22/6. Two big lotara goats bought for 5/ each. At night attended Patriotic meeting. A welcome home concert on Wednesday Week.

TU 6  Dry weather continues, ewes shifted off Flat on to Rosewood and Haggen. Flat gate left open for Hughes 107 ewes to come out. Mr. Walker and John picked timber over and took ceiling boards etc over to Mann's. Sam Eva Grace & Biday motored. Kirk paid Mr. Stubbs £1, sent to Farmers Union. Paid Mr. Little £1-16 for motor car tubes. Sent bundle of skins - 11 and a piece by J. Ryan for Williams & Keltter. Got £5. Cheque changed at Mackies - £2 for Grace and £3 for Sam & Lea to church.


WED 7  Another load of ton bar taken to Mann's. Mr. Walker working there. Made a wheelbarrow. All the others motored to see Aunt and Florrie.


TH 8  New mild calow day. John Mr. Walker and part of day Mr. Neal worked at Mann's. Got 2000 shaggs - 13 weth 51, 79 ewes 27, 53 wool-lambs 22/6. 45 shorn 18/6 - £205-16-3. Made a barn for Arthur. Killed one of the 8 lambs off paper. Yesterday Mr. McBean


FR 9 Sent Bear Cheque to Union Bank. Dropped the few killing lambs & put on safe. Mam & Eva also. Mr. Welch (mistaken here by Dr.) went to attend Social Conv.


SAT 10  A lucky day, money to my credit in Bank. Morning fog, no rain. It has turned out fine. With Mam & Eva misters to Rivick, attended Patriotic meeting. Money taken to assist needy soldiers. John & Walker making house habitable.

SUN 11 Mam & Eva helped others to decorate church for "Harvest Thanksgiving". Eva met Will at late train. He put cheque sent him to my account £2.20 - 0 - 0.

SUN 11  The usual dry day. Will & John picked over timber and proposed what they require. At 8.30 went to Church with Mam & Eva. Church decorated.

SUN 12  A summer day. Went with Fizzie and wagon and helped to shift his furniture from late Curran's house to Mam's house, he drove jolly and express, got everything away except tank. Will went home by 10 o'clock train. Arranged with Ryan carriers to take his timber and iron to Oronond's train. Mr. Walker and E. Mat working at Mam's house. Paid Mackin bill of £27.17.8 with cheque of £32. Eva gathered for Church £2.10. She Mam at Dr. sister's tonight.

TR 13  All the household except one has misters to Popowich's. Gave Eva Cheque & Telegram from George, met him at Oronond's with phantom. John & George got here. Went with John & George to Mam's, got some houseblocks down from Hugh to set tank on. Ryan also took six loads of Mills timber to Oronond's in on ground waiting for a truck tomorrow. This afternoon all hands came in express from Mam's and are staying here. Mr. Walker & John put 4 heifers in stumps to be wintered. They have arranged about the grazing of them; at present they belong to Walker.

TR 14  John and George shifted tank from Curran's and set it on prepared stand at Mam's. Took all in 7 months paddock Oronond's. Newwood, better won by many points. Bill picked black berries at Hughes, and eaten some. Some old beans, Ryan also took remain of Mills timber and iron to Oronond's. It is on ground, no tank. George and Eva at Pickin's entertainment, 30.4.1919.

John and George sawed and carted horns firewood for chaff-cutter engine. Got in rope lumps and killed one. John went to Bank and put in cheque £109.7

At night attended Fabrics meeting in Library, Social next Wednesday week.

FR 16 The usual warm calm day drove George to catch 10-11 train to Hastings timber 1.66 at Osmond's. Peter promised to forward it as soon as possible, today if he can. Ride across paddocks to W. M. Thomson's place, big crowns, good price, bid of each for 50 tetara posts, another bid 2/6 and got them. Anton driven pain for dipping £3.11.

SAT 17 John took timber to Marnie with man and express and worked with West. Gathered up straw about stock and carted load to Ed's garden. W. Tarkenton for tea.


SUN 18 Rain at last after months of dry weather, some last night, a good deal today. It has not come any too soon, water about empty tanks, our back over top good as ever and tank not empty, creek running altho dry some time back, paddocks dry but some spruce just left, stock in good condition. Willie Thomson called at tea time about getting sheep dipped as he cannot get Mr. Gaboray to take them although he has taken a few days ago. 17 from Antonsdronson, Linnarsson from Ted and Chris Anderson has disposed of breeding ewes and replaced with cheaper ones.


MON 19 Rain all day, hawks and cow covers. About 11 on Marnie. Eva & George arrived.

TU 20 More mist and light rain. Marnie John & George and Kiddie drove in express to Marnie, prepared room etc. At night meeting in room in hotel. Mr. Hunter for


WED 21 Motored round with Mr. Hunter and C. P. Anderson in latter's car. In room in hotel for Mr. Hunter last night, so he stayed here, and after breakfast he visited many places. He called at Painter Olsen and he paid £4.16. as Dip money for last season and this. Roy Thomson dipped 300 ewes. John helped Bertie Gunderson get them away before dinner time, a very heavy frost tonight.


TH 22 A white frost. John working with West at his wash house. 30 p.m. amongst our lambs on Gunderson's mustered sheep and pulled skin out. Found ewe dead by fence on Marnie with head between lower wires. Marnie Eva and George motored to see Alice


 Anton Svenson came in the morning with dressed pig, was about to cut up and salt but Martin Nicholson and Walter Mathieson came with chaff cutter and we put the stick through, and also sawed firewood into short lengths. Put 70 sacks of chaff into shed will be remainder tomorrow it is covered tonight. W. Mathie helping. Mam and Eva at Dr Kulep's tonight by invitation.


SAT 24  Chaff cutter men and horses left here early for F. Selby's. With John cut up and put in salt pig brought yesterday by Anton. Then John left to help M. West. Miska when calstock steers, removed coarse chaff, rejected pheasants etc. Mam and Eva cleared up Church, visited M^{rs} Allen, she has a touch of ~~acute~~ Bronchitis or pharyng.


SUN 25 A shower today. Mam Eva at 2.30 Church, then floated to Aunties.


MON 26  John and Daria sawing firewood in stubble paddock. Killed fat lamb. Sent a line to F. L. Selby and dipping account to M. Drunk. Makotaku.


TU 27  A wet day burnt some good backlogs. Eva got "Finnis" shed at Denmark. Sent a hire call to Whakatu. Freezing works - charge for £20 - 0 - 6. Anton drove home after tea and he and Mam motored to a "Duck show" in hall. Eva to the bank.


WED 28  Anton came before breakfast with a second fat pig weighing 16 lbs. cut up & salted. Anton takes when cured one half of the first mentioned pig. Paid for pig and £5 7 - 5 - 6 cheque for same - to Anderson. Anton pays for his half pig - £2 - 8 - 2. Price of pork - 7 pence. F. Selby called at midday, will take two touchloads of ewes next week, he covers the better. A concert and welcome home in hall for returned soldiers. Mam Eva & M^{rs} Mathie up there. Sent the usual bag of firewood to bill upper. John & Daria getting & carting in firewood.


TH 29  Drops of rain after. Mam Eva motored to Denmark, by Florida. Saw Mam £5 - 4 - 5 cheque to pay up Red & affairs. Killed lamb for dogs. John & Daria at fairness. Mam Eva at Red.


FR 30  Motored with Mam Eva to Papanui, came unexpected as by. Well back in bank house a good sea and fine day, nice journey. At home John & Daria getting firewood.

SAT 31  Another very fine day, while frost morning. Bill consulted all evening for house, at night Mam Eva this week at Play in Lapanui. Miss Lane home with Mam. At home John took both ewes and calf over to Mam. Freezing again.

 A heavy frost last night ground white, warm day. Will & Co. moved out with Goat & Tom & Miss Theobald. He came over, his right arm in sling, very sore.

MON 2nd  Ira motored Miss Theobald to Greenmeadows, and as soon as she came back we left for home, lunch in Kaipukurau going and coming.


TU 3rd  Hustings Birthday. A fine day, culled bacon, two pigs. Killed a lamb and put on rape. I & Selby called to say bring 2 trucks of sheep to Ormondville tomorrow evening to be loaded on Tuesday morning. John & Bert getting joined and Friday and his mate splitting firewood on Widesups. Maiti & Kate in.

WED 4th  Much difficulty in getting car to start, with Mr. Walker's help we pushed it to road and it started. Marn & Eva motored to Danmuir, and left car there, came home by last coach. Got in sheep off Marn Hills and ran off old ewes and shorn lambs - 125 of latter put back, ewes 125, within 5-72.


Old Romney rams we drove to Ormond. Total 130. Ten trucks waiting there. We took more and express in case of any lambs ewes wanted to be carted. We mustered Widesups and took out the 2 old Romney rams and 2 80. The Romney ewes we are sending with the ewes. Put back on Widesups 148 ewes and lambs.

Mustered Hughes and put back 107 ewes 1 ram and 1 lamb. Bertie splitting Friday and mate splitting on Widesups, sold them tonight $\frac{1}{2}$ lamb - $\frac{7}{8}$ to per.


Eleven sheepskins sold 10th of last month. Four of them fetched $\frac{4}{8}$ each, total £ 1.17.

TH 5th  Started early, drove in phantom to Ormond. put 130 sheep in 2 trucks for 7.15 train. Bertie finished splitting firewood, John carting home and loading up.

Friday and mate splitting for a half day. Slogged few greater part of potatoes from washed and tipped out eating one on batteries leading to dip, spread the remaining eating potatoes in wool bins in ewelshed. Mr. Walker put up cap beam.

FR 6th  Every day calm fine and pretty. John still carting in firewood. Mr. Walker's successors arrived today at lunch time, took possession of everything and out. Mr. Ken Kojiv with the bag. Made up and sent away. Queen's Tax returned.

Martin Nicholas and Walter arrived with chaff cutter to cut wood tomorrow.

Rain last night and this morning. Drove Francis & I
 to Hurons went from there with A B Hanson in his car to Monthly meeting in
 Danawick. He could not leave before 4.30. home late. M^{rs} Saltswell here for an
 evening call also Miss Mathews, all went together to see the fireworks pictures
 we got one who remained at home. Sent a letter to dip money. ^{Franklin} Sarah and
 3.4.8  M^r Walker carted his luggage over and put it in Woodshed, went
 over in the afternoon with man & wagon and carted over remainder of luggage
 and a small pig. Possession given by Walters to incoming Deland furnished house
 bedding, chairs, lamps, sewing machine, knives, forks, spoons, jam, flour, potatoes &c
 Cow, pig, hens, ducks. Tea & music at evening Church. M^r M^r Walker here tonight
 M^{rs} Walters behaviour & Mathews cutting our heap of firewood into short lengths.
 M^r Walker and John helping, did not finish. M^r M^r Walker went by coach & minute 3.
 Lou went to Danawick by coach and train and brought back car in good order.
 Paid M^r Walker for grey horse, cover, some harness the sum of £20-0-6 charge. John
 paid him for some work done at his house and a days chaff cutting £3-0-0
 Killed a nice fat lamb yesterday and put it back on paper. Man left tea today.
 2.5 lbs. the price is £2-15 which is to be sent to Wellington. Paid J Payne £1-11-7 ^{Monday} evening
 A busy day finished cutting the firewood by 12 o'clock. Paid H. Kirkland £7-0-0
 for chaff and woodcutting. Carted down from hayshed the heaps of sacks of chaff lying there and
 tipped same in chaff shed, laid a cart shed and banded good sacks, cleaned woodshed,
 Made gate, ready for hanging. Man & his M^r Ketch and John at Hamble races etc.
 High wind all day and last night. Clearing away debris from bridge beyond
 wood map where a chaff cutting horse walked over and broke it down. John at Grand
 football match, Te Dehanga played and was easily beaten. Man & Lou at Helicon House
 for 4 or 5 sessions in Hall. ^{Friday} Evening, the Brothers Simpson, & John absent.
 Knutcher Hughes & his horses 100 and 1 lamb. Mumps 45 and 1 lamb 90 finished
 tonight. 103 and 1 lamb has been in Mumps, all in good condition. Mumps 45 & 9
 taken from H. Ketch for dipping. Sarah and her man driven to Abies by Man.

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The usual frost and very fine day. Cow Dairies brought in from
 Granddams and her bull calf. Slaughtered the 95 in shed before dinner. Saw 116 in
 Widdows brand and 8. The sheep on Hughes 107 and 1 also branded. Got in and crutched
 Pearson sheep and put back 50 big ewes branded. Put 27 of the poorest ewes + 1 lamb
 on road out. In shed just dock tonight 1 Romney ram and 14 wether lambs crutched
 and branded. Otto Hansen appears 11 very lanky lambs. Florid Elie Misses Allen collect.
 Mr Barnes called + J Thompson with a hammer. Marn + Eva at Dr Kistak's tonight, cards

MON 15
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 Got in all our lambs - 128 and put them after being crutched with the 14 wether
 lambs - 140 altogether - show lambs out on Hills also the 27 poor ewes on Hills where few
 looks fair. Marn + Eva visited to Dawnwinter. Marn + Eva visited to Dawnwinter. Marn + Eva
 be taken out in meat. Paid J Mackie bill of £4-8 and insurance on house piano
 and furniture £3-12-8 with a twelve pound cheque. Small River 9-7-6. Poplar 5-9

MON 16
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 Some rain last night and some today fine tonight. We spent the afternoon at Mr
 I. Eva Victoria's Birthday 32. Drove in the week of Queen Victoria's Jubilee.

TUE 17
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 A lovely Anthony Lake from Hastings, most beautiful invigorating picture we
 from Dawnwinter. A summer day although a while frost this morning. A good sale
 in Sawwood, sheep up and dairy buyers fetching good prices. John got in 132
 ewes - fat. total 323 out of which comes 2 for Fairbairn, 1 for F. Riggie and name
 In shed tonight 101. remain in shed paddock. Two milk separator not working.
 Got Gear blower for 120 pence. 21 ewes 2 1/2. 5 wethers 2 1/2. 88 cults 15/6. total 121. 2-9. Eaching 3/6

WED 18
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 Some fog and put this morning. good day for crutching. finished with 320
 amongst them one ewe lamb, ewes heavy in good condition. Peter Johnson helped paid 14
 well earned, nearly dark when we finished. Marn and Eva visited cream separator
 back to Williams & Kettle. Mr Williams tried it, found it unworkable and sent it back
 to maker or firm in Palmerston. Marn + Eva at Dr's tonight, cards as other previous.

THUR 19
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 Yoked and branded ewes and put them on back - 280. one or two
 put 34 on flat. Sheeps horn dead one out of credit for end of Marn. Eva + John
 visited to Dawnwinter. two at Golf, one at football. this calving day feed for sheep

- The 34 cows on Hat put out on Macon. At night attended Father's meeting
 and a big meeting, the same individuals on new Committee. At home a party
 ping pong and cards. Simpson boys, Miss Mathews Walter Morlockson Miss Brown and
 John went to Newwood Bank. A. S. W. and placard to his credit. Bears Cheq. 121 27
 Morn Eva John Grace and Bidley went to Darmstadt. John to look on at
 Sab. Market at little bridge. Feirebena took home pig & hogs. At night
 M. W. M. Tromson called to say good bye before going for a 6 months holiday.
- M^o Bayle boy borrowed Billy to drive cow to Takapau. Ben's came in at evening
 and stopped us from finishing bridge. Morn Eva went to Alton and to Pitons tonight.
- A rough uneventful day. Grace walked over to doctor with cream from the Church.
- A winter day, floating snow all day and night. Eva got "Lig" shot in Pomeroy.
 Got her Music lesson and pair sep. Got in 20 pc lambs and one Killea.
- A fine calm day after the rain, cut up hard, light, quarters only 8 and 7 lbs. John
 carted from Hughes timber for bridge and we finished it. Mabel Kala for dinner. Eva
 presented Eva from M^o Kala a beautiful knitted shawl or garment. Morn Eva at Alton and
- A memorable day. Snowing first thing in the evening and continued all day.
 Makes as big as half occasions, seven inches of snow on the ground tonight. Limbs of trees
 falling under the weight of snow. Cows and tracks covered and well fed, plenty dogs
 and cat. Welcome home to Soldier's post from A. Bricard & Widow Hayward married in Feb.
 Germans have signed Peace Treaty under protest. Their signatures not worth much.
- Snowing in the morning, turned to thaw, snow falling off trees limbs of which
 are broken down. News from M^o Hurdler. Eva gave to Bern^o for horse, 200 elsewhere. 7 inch snow on
 ground.
- A slow thaw but brought up young black cross from Bern^o. At night Miss John Guba. Morn Eva
 Received from M^o Kalle dividend of Bonus 10 8 4 and Bonus 2 5 on goods purchased. Total £3 9 5
- Prangi jumped gate, did not go far. Morn Eva saw Alice today. Miss Norman took her goods.
- Much snow still rain tonight. Morn & Eva returned to America. Dick came short day.
- I began to take up of cart things, 6 skins on top & 4 skins separate bundles to M^o K. Morn
 killed lamb off sheep. Snow melting, much on flats. John at N. Sab. poor Sab.



A very fine day although snow still on the ground in places, none on hill. Spent the day with John chopping broken limbs of trees and dragging away the W. to Laird and sent a cheque for dipping his sheep - £5-7-6 sent £2-0-9 Cheque crossed to Kirkcaldie & James Wellington. Mam & Eva at Elsie McEwen's Harry Christopherson - Halliburton, Willy Mackie & Arthur Erickson absent.

WED 2 Anniversary of the Frost, a fine day and moonlight. Chopped & dragged ~~to~~ to heaps more snow-broken limbs John foot-balling in the afternoon at Danne. Manned poor hogget for dogs. Many clearing sales off farms the owners of which have sold, cows up to 20 and £5. Sheep not so dear in proportion. Trains cut out from today, only two trains running on some days. H. D. Herald came as usual. Evening News came - thrown off from couch at 7.15. Mam & Eva at exceptional pictures tonight. Two cows and 3 heads live on hay sheff. Archie Tool married.

THU 3 Much pain last night and this morning, a July day, lidia up wretched. Eva has a stiff neck but able with Mam to spend evening with Dr and Mth Vetch and also with Mam visited Alice. John Arthur and Willie Campbell came across to


FRI 4 Hung new red gate at Mam with John, latterly sole afternoon. Received dividend or interest on 15 shares Evening News. H. Mortenson paid 1-9-6


SAT 5 Motora to Dannevirke picked up Arthur and Willie Campbell. Attended Patriotic meeting, good attendance. Came home at 2.30. Paid A. Brown 9/6 insurance money on Kestrel. Paid Boyle the monthly account £1-2-1 Ditto

SUN 6 Dull dark cold day, some rain. Mam & Eva rustled to Afternoon Church.

MON 7 Rode with Hughes and Marnie. Put in with John corner post at garden. At night with Mam and Eva attended a Patriotic "Peace Celebration" Meeting in Library. Former program upset through Government decision to celebrate on one day only - the 19th. A big meeting, men and women, about 20 eaching.


TUE 8 A very heavy white frost. "Bobtail" has a ♂ calf. John & Mth Campbell in mountain. Eva & Miss Allen Mth Vetch & Miss Mathews Golfing at Takapau. Dig a bit in lower end of Eva's garden. much couch. Both of them at car at A. (Horn)


 A warm day after a heavy frost. Staged out to new yards blocks and iron for shed. The boys at football in Darnovick. Mam & Eva cards in Hall.

 **TH 12** Rode over to Hughes and with John gathered and fixed all black bars, bins and rubbish. Replaced gallops at Mam's house, evening carted home door, house blocks and Gundersons calf for dogs. At night attended meeting for


FRI 13 Staged material to new yards to erect shed. Put in one post a big main as a corner post against high wind. Mam & Eva tonight in Agamiko. ^{at Dr. Nelson's at home} ~~at home~~ ~~at home~~

SAT 13 Rain in the forenoon, fine afternoon. Mam paid to R. Neilson bill 2-16-19 out of a five pound cheque, got 20 Macrocarpa trees at Gibbs nursery for 5p. A hockey match played at Darnovick. With the Own players went John & fam. W. Mortensen. Mam & Eva. Eva went. I brought the bins home in cart. Did a bit of shed. Pelted a


 **SUN 13** A dry day. Transplanted 2 small gum trees in a gap in Wellingtonia plantation. Mam & Eva at Aunties. The Mam's walked across paddocks & back.

 **MON 14** With John swept over 3 Chimneys, then went to Mam's to see to (Kewie) but tea windy to finish. Sent to W. Gibbs for Macrocarpa trees 5p.

Staged home from Hughes a stage load of timber. Mam Eva & W. Ketch at Aunties. At night attended the final Peace Celebration meeting in library. Killed lamb, only 500

 **TUE 15** Dull calm. A dry day. Cut in a few trees in Kewie plantation to replace missed ones. 3 Mac's gum. John brought over 8 wagon, grass seeds of express & brought it back. Mam & Eva motored to Agamiko to play return card playing game.

WED 16 Eva washed vehicles and sawed big limb off pine tree, preparing for Peace Celebration procession. Mam on shing outfit for Father Christmas. Tubbin

 **TH 17** A July day, cloudy and cold. All hands erected a Christmas tree in an oil drum well paved with earth and stages and painted, mounted on Bush wagon. John & his mother decorated it with holly. Made gate in woods. Mam & Eva cards. Also


FRI 18 Preparations and decorations for tomorrow. W. Torkelson helping to load material for bonfire. Mam & Eva decorating phaeton with ferns. Miss Ansbald, coming tomorrow. At night jing pong 2. W. K. & John





The great day has come and is fine, sunny and dry, a busy morning gave the finishing touch to the vehicles. Had numerous boys on the Christmas tree in bush wagon and took the part of Father Christmas dressed in red robe as Santa in wagon. Mam John and Eva went in phaeton. Eva and M^{rs} Keith decorating car at Doctors in a most elaborate manner, it was awarded a special prize. Our bush wagon got a 1st prize for four wheeled vehicles. The muster took place near factory, procession went round Mackies and Engelbretsons to upper townships, round oak trees and into school grounds, back here, Miss Thobald came up by coach and joined in Games on cricket ground (school paddock). Arrowwood won tug of war after an exciting pull with Ngamcha. Marica won race. M^{rs} Grant. Hop step & jump. John 1st High jump. Nicholson, sheep tugging, & seat. A very cold evening. At 7 PM rockets and bonfires and then a torch to crush getting into hall to see the pictures. Mam Eva & Miss Thobald went. Eva stayed at home by a good fire.


SUN 21 A successful day. Mam & Eva at Church and afterwards with Miss Thobald. **MON 21** ~~was~~ ~~observed~~ as a holiday. Muster of children in Dr Keith's parlour for evening and other games, a breezy day inclined to be cold, showers in evening. **TU 22** Mam attended Children's sports. Eva M^{rs} Keith and Miss Thobald, motor to Dannevirke where they took 1st Prize for best decorated Car. They left Arrowwood early so as to finish decorating in Dannevirke. Home at 5 PM here this evening. Mam & Eva saw Miss Thobald off at Ormond; last train, then at Victoria. Stilled Karaka.

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
JULY 24  Merged up timber to top shed and did some work there, cold showers. Paid some bills out of 2nd cheque. Madio's - in - 2. P. G. Grant's - 5 - 10. Other creditors not at home when Eva called. At night meeting in library. Return solemn expected


JULY 25  Merged timber and did some work at top shed. Eva paid A. Brown 6 - 13 - 7. Received from W^m & Kettle return of 11 skins and Bank slip for same £2. 5 - 11 out. Two skins fetched 4/3 each, one fetched 4/6. Paid J. H. Smith, blacksmith.


JULY 26  A spring day, put in blockwork in top shed. John picked out 23 of the sheep hoggets, the poorest and put them in small paddock. Eva found one dead in Reserve.


JULY 27  Merged home from Reserve the cow we saw by Eva yesterday, a good skin, a nice pair of Romney twins but much surplus fat in ewe. Found a second ewe dead at bottom of creek in Reserve caught in blackberry vines. Too wet all this afternoon to stodge the sheep pens; will be difficult to get out.

Mam & Eva motored to Hunt's, sent potatoes to Florin. Much rain falling.


JULY 28  A thorough wet day. Eva rode "big" over paddocks, nothing wrong. She got in lambs off rape paddock, he found this Malheur ewe her cow down the pond. Killed a fairly good lamb, not on any left. T. Ryan carted to Oren. Without leaves.

JULY 29  With John dragged dead ewe out of Reserve creek with rope. A pair of twin lambs this ewe would have also. Cut up lamb, light, to Betty & Holiday only 6 lbs each. Afternoon stodged a bit to new shed, put in one block and came home.


JULY 30  First lamb of the season seen by Eva on Back. That morning she rode over paddocks, saw a dead lamb and a live one, supposed to belong to one mother. A rough night, wind and rain. A welcome to 4 soldiers in hall, sent bag of wood.


JULY 31  Another wet day, stockyard muddy. Eva rode over Back, found in Reserve a ewe on her side unable to get up, she stodged her home, is in washshed, on battens covered over. Mamma did 30 p.m., did in implement shed. A letter 2/3 from James McEntosh, Soc. Art Union, asking for return of bundle of tickets of book which he sent over. Am writing him that I sent book back, to him day after getting it. Letter from W^m & Kettle: bale of Cratching, fetched 11/6, last year 11/6. Ham & 1/2 of Mamma


July went out rough. August comes in no better, light rain all day. Skinned the cow that Eva skayed home yesterday, would have twins, but lambs and 3 ewes gone in six days. Boiled meat for animals. John came across. At night W. Mackie's John visited at ping pong w. Eva covered 5 cases benzoin at ^{factory}.


SAT 1  A fine day after all the rain. Mitona with Mann & Eva secured by Ormond and Makotuku to Petreitis or Branch. Meeting of War Relief Association held monthly at Dannewicks. The usual applications for assistance from returned soldiers. Went to Mart. Post. Sale bought 3 golf sticks of a shovel & rake & grass. Speaking to M^r. Giberay Longbain's stores cram full of carcasses. Shows work also.

SUN 3 No one came, we only went except Mann & Eva to Aunt's. A shower in afternoon. Grass giving indications of great failure there is shelter and feed, no grass for cows to speak of, some rough feed in pieces but cows and horses prefer hay & chaff.


MON 4  A fine sunny day. Miss McDonald borrowed "Leg" to help arrive their herd of cows to Matamoras on their six days journey to Palomocaton. Mann Eva & Dr. and M^r. Welch motored to Dannewicks where car was improved and the Doctor got his after undergoing repairs. Mann paid F^{ine} & Kell £10.10.0. Shook and raked grassed on burnt patches on back where it did not do well. Last afternoon killed a very mistleling lamb, the jaw left in poor condition.

TUE 5  A wet day again. Eva rode over paddocks, found a dead ewe in Reserve and one on back. John skinned them and will bury them, enough boiled meat. John got in ewes off Mann's hills, very poor, put them in small paddock and will try if he can get them to eat hay. They would not touch it when ground was covered with snow. Got in Reserve ewes - 46 left, put 10 on ridges and 36 on back. The Reserve is bare and ewes very poor. Anton Branson called, will buy young man for will take her home when weather clears, steady rain tonight, hard on sheep. Mann & Eva.


WED 6  Worked at shed forenoon, wet afternoon, miserable weather. At night we attended a small meeting in Library, called to decide what form of insurance would be best for Soliman area and also meeting postponed. M^r. Higgins died.


 A showery miserable day. Eva rode over paddocks, played in riding area. Killed cow for the sake of getting a good skin, a few teeth, would have twins. Mice barking skins in woodshed, put up wire lengths of shed, heavy skins on it. Mam over at Maun, John skinned a cow that would have twins.


At night Mam & Eva motored Maketuku to concert in aid of Anglican Church.



FR 8  Today as usual, rain greater part of, steady tonight. Mam & Eva at Doctors.


A wobbly wire fence and heavy iron bars put in shed paddock with the permission of five small killing hogs, an experiment to see if she will pull through. A £6 note cheque given to Eva to pay Mr. Mackies bill of £5. 5. 9 (John huckling at ^{rough} Jammin).



SAT 9  Today turned out fine and sunny after all the rain. Eva found 5 ewes & 6 lambs in Back and that, one of the ewes poor and weak, did not trouble about lamb. Many of them will be like this. Eva Miss Allen and Mr. Hitch motored to Golf at Takapanu. Did no work today, whoring, must have caught a cold. Miss Eva Insurance man called.


SUN 10  A thorough wet afternoon, few cows dry. She and boy Gundenau got in draught horses from Back and took unbroken young ones up to A. Antons. She pulled John in jilly and boy behind. All of us inside this afternoon, very wet.



MON 11  A dry cold day. Eva over paddocks about 20 lambs now. She found ewe tied up in a lower bush in a bad state, unable to stand up. Slashed her into top yards, is there tonight. Worked at shed. Mam & Eva at Alice's tonight. They are at a Horticultural meeting and Tennis meeting in Ribraun. This evening killed a lamb, not fat, they are about done, no turnips, lambs poor.

TU 12  A breezy cold day. with mam and Eva has a difficult job to drag a ewe up  fear of precipice from large bunch in creek, sloughed her out in front where she is doing all right. Eva in top yards unable to stand yet. Failed on some weather boards on shed. John came for gelegnite to blow up stumps. The £6 note cheque given him by Helen Beaman he brought over tonight. He says the Maun paddocks quite bare, the 100 hogs and 50 odd ewes on short commons. Tonight Mam & Eva at Allens, latter going on a holiday tour tomorrow.


 The sun that tea rescued out of the lawyer bank did last night. She found another one tea up in the blackberries in rabbit gully. Bleached her horns, she will go the same road. Will not wait for her to die, as is to have a good skin. Sent the twenty pound cheque to Union Bank. *Tea paid.*


TH 14   One good sunny growing day at last. Tea found dead one on Rock, went out and skinned it, also killed one and skinned the one found in blackberries and bleached home yesterday. Took *Tea* and pledge to *Tea* and brought back some weather boards. See *Tea* and *Tea* for *Tea*. John came with more and expenses for staff after tea. *Tea* at *Tea*.


FR 15  Another fine day, this makes two in August. *Tea* had hedge fence, calves put their heads over and eat leaves and prevent hedge from becoming thick. Worked at *Tea* on top. *Tea* found dead two both one on flat did in act of lambing against hurdle at plantation, a place hard to see. Received from Williams & Kille proceeds of sale of wrutchings. Bank slip *Tea*. At night with *Tea* attended meeting. Business *Tea* Monument to *Tea* soldiers, small meeting. Committee appointed to carry it out. £ 10 each to be given by 20 settlers for a start, then maybe less or amounts, site not exactly decided on, somewhere between P. O. and hotel, or near out town.


SAT 16.   A change in the weather; some rain this morning but a day for work. *Tea* on *Tea* found one on Rock with a big dead lamb, tried to yard her and put a turn horn on her but she was too wild and showed out, she took *Tea* and *Tea* horn for a part. She enclosed singly to *Tea* and won trophy at *Tea*. She paid Mr. Grants bill - £ 2-0-5 and Doyle & Co. 18/10 out of a cheque for £ 5-0-0. Saddle. Don't like out horn, will pay his bill on Monday. £ 1-12-6 amount.


SUN 17 Dull grey forenoon, wet afternoon, heavy continuous rain tonight, new born lambs cannot stand up against it. The hill put sang in his house. *Tea* on *Tea* at Afternoon Church. Mr Whibley called after Church. Expect *Tea* over next Sunday week. John called, nearly finished his storn joining.


 A working day. Three ewes, penicilline, cold, warm and rain. Last night heavy rain killed pair of twins on Hughes, took away dead lamb from ewe on Back, worked at shed. Yesterday got load of hay at Marv.


FRI 19  Fine forenoon showers afternoon. Wire from Mill. Got out well and asking Mam to come. Decided at once to go in. Miss Matthews kindly agreed to go with them and ordered here she goes so that Eva will have company coming back. Later. Both of them got here at 9.15. Poor Gert has rheumatic fever.


TUE 20  A rough day, high wind and rain. Sent 24 skins, 3 bunches by Ryan's express to Williams & Keith. Kaplin. Eva paid Factory Sec^y for Benjamin & Co.


TH 21  A slight frost and fine day. Killed a small lamb not fat. Was found ^{dead} on Back, in the act of lambing rolled against fence, got on her back and died. A gora ewe, shaggy horns and skinned for dogs. Eva brought in & took we unable to lair, took it away, is penna a up tonight. Wire from Mam. Got about the same.


FRI 22  A cool breezy day. Eva saw several ewes with twins, got in one ewe and a lamb and penned them up. Worked half day at shed, shaggy from Hughes light quantity of timber. At night erecting in library. Oak ten to be left standing, monument to be erected near it. Mr. Matthews 50. Mrs. H. 20


SAT 23  A cold windy day, ailing two both ewe in shed paddock, down in trying to cross creek or drain. No more sick or ailing ewes to be left in shed paddock. Eva met Mrs. Schen to Dannewitz to play hockey. After dinner went with "Janis" and wagon, two telara posts, four 4x2, rails, tools, bought at Boyler. 40 worth of nails, repaired fence. Messrs. Speight & Popper repaired roof - put on large boards. Paid to Post Mistress for envelopes sent down on Hughes \$9-14-11


SUN 24  A fine day, skinned 2 skeletons that got into creek. Got into Reserve off. Marv. 2 ewes with 4 lambs, 1 ewe with 1 lamb, 2 ewes without lambs. John (Eva got in off) Wierups 3 ewes & 6 lambs, put in Reserve also with Eva 1 ewe & 2 lambs. John & Eva put one with dead lamb into new yards, skin of her lamb on a twin, she took it over. There is a growth noticeable in the grass, wattle blossoms out.


MON 28  A little frost, dry day not much wind. John got in the 3 draught horses from Back, are in shed paddock and being fed on chaff & hay. Eva up early and did the washing. Tonight she attended Spinners meeting. Several fresh lambs. Worked at shed for a while, trimmed 2 apple trees.

TU 29  A drying hands breezy day. Evening high wind and bitterly cold. Worked at shed, nailed on dressica totara slabs, ploughed home to sheep yards the poorest old ewe on the run and her good lamb, will try to bring her round. John through all paddocks. Today and his brother carted 4 sacks of chaff to Marnie, lambs coming slowly. Eva at a welcome home in hall tonight. A letter from Mam, she has a cold, stays in a fireless bedroom, misses her own. Poor Gert has to stay in bed for 3 or 4 weeks, her legs and feet swollen, painful.


WED 30  A mild calm day. John through ewes and in the afternoon took "Daki" and "Gray" to Marnie. But rafters rot on shed. Eva at 5 o'clock a few golfers. Tea Mam called, left tea for Mam at Picketts. There is a possible pass in tea.


TH 29  A thorough wet day and at 10.30 on heavy and continuous rain now as ever. John got in two tooth ewe unable to lamb, put her right, a big lamb, will take well. Eva and Rangie to Counties, saw station Master, can travel with anything to show.


FR 29  Another dreadful day, heavy rain and wind from SW and cold. A newly born lamb can stand up against it. The good lamb that John took away from the 2 tooth ewe seen this morning, had judgement should be left on bottom last night. Live on dip bottom tonight, her lamb near fire will get strong.


SAT 30  Lighter rain today, anxiety about ewe & lambs. Motored to get cheque for £3 cashed at Mackies. Sent telegram to Pakowhai. "Coming five train" should have added Oronodville. Will expect to meet five train at Hastings and not on to 10.00. Got to Gerts at 9.30 train an hour late. Gert in good spirits, does legs & feet swollen & stiff.

SUN 31 A fine sunny day. Went with Mill to Paradise for medicinal and oily application to be put on swollen parts, did much good. I Howard W. Fullers W. & P. & Mrs. Tourneaux called. Walked over saw the Tourneaux family.


 Up at six am. Will milked 2 cows last morning in putting horse in gig & started immediately after breakfast for Hastings, got Permit at station to travel on railway. Lovely day at Hastings and past Te Anau at Kapukurau wind, at Takapu from Ot. Ormond & saw wood very rough day, evening high wind and a rain. John plagued home from back, eat ewe when lamb to be mended, and permed up ewe with her lamb to get her to take. I left her a good bit better than she was yesterday, she can use her hands the swelling having left them, she can move her toes, is not in pain; can eat, the Dr calls the complaint "Acute Mastitis". Today posted to Thomas H. Deakes Sec. N. 3. Farmers Fertilizing Co. L. 5-0-6.

TU 2  A dreadful looking morning, snowing and Rain. Flat ground, after a couple of hours it ceased, sun shone and snow disappeared, old ewe plagued in by John got on her legs and can walk & feed in little orchard. Other ewe lamb brought in two ewes went take to their own lambs, are permed up, 3 lambs in boxes to be fed or can milk out of bottle with teat. Ahivona ewe that John found dead in Spring Ridge gully. A Paskie's Serial in Hall brought in over £7. Eva stayed to help wash up, home 12.30 am.

WED 3  John still bringing in motherless lambs and weak ones and skinning to put on ewes without lambs, busy all day. Message from M^{rs} Paget to Eva, she wants to see a sick or newly calved cow at grass near South Maketu. Eva motivated her and a her boy to cow and picked them up at Thompsons coming home from Gey.

TH 4  A calm day, not much rain. Ahivona a ewe from which he took a dead lamb yesterday, he did not know or suspect a second lamb was to come or else he could have saved her, another ewe on her side in Wairoa unable to get up. Maa gea her home, is able to eat and move; under fruit trees. more than a dozen lambs saved these last few days. Eva ping-ponging at Mackie's tonight.

FR 5 A fine day after a light frost. John over all paddocks, a few fresh lambs. Most ewes on Park have lambs. Wairoa's paddock bare, grass coming very slowly.

SAT 6  Two in top yards and one at home unable to stand, can eat & stand, not rise. Killed a very midling lamb, turned out to be a young ram.

~~THU~~

A fine day after the post. Motored to the Monthly meeting, good attendance. Grace and child drew cards. Paid C. L. Nelson & Co. his bill of £3. out of 5 Cheques. John poured a shup and then Hockey in Devon. At night Eva at Pictures.

SUN 7

A fine calm day. Eva motored to Aunts for dinner, church at Devon and also to Madolake where the Bishop held service to big congregation, many unable to get into Church, many returned soldiers, the names of five fallen ones on window, the occasion was one to which the presence of the Bishop and assembly rejoiced. Eva motored the Bishop after the service to Mr. Sprygate, Newwood where we attended at 7 o'clock, after the service here Eva motored him to Devon to Mr. Whibleys. John in the evening came for Chaff, brought in a 2 tooth saw with saw, the latter will not live, plough saw in garden for a while, unable to start.

MON 8

A fine day after a frost. John working in Back six acres. Eva after doing the washing went over paddocks, skinned an old saw in new yards that was unable to stand. Worked at shed, ready to put on iron.

TU 9

Another fine sunny calm day. Eva over paddocks. John with the horses up to midday, then Eva harrowed and John went with others to Devick to practice at Hockey. Last night John and W. Torkelson took load of hay up to Millies shed with moon-light, his cows very poor, he gets a load, has paid £5. But now on shed roof today, just enough lead-headed nails to finish roof.


WED 10


A bitterly cold, squally forenoon. Afternoon and night heavy cold rain. Eva over paddocks, bulk of lambing over, coming in dribble, few ewes & twins on back. Afternoon she carted up to Hall with blossoms, a spinster & Bachelors Ball. John working horses, some of the ground too wet to plough on Back six acres.


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
A heavier nights rain than that of last nights is not on record. water being pouring down every gully and incline, creek up bank to bank. Sacks by me burnt last night. John over all paddocks. Eva motored up for music lessons and paid Mr. Ryan's bill - by. Word to Mam to "Come home at once". Eva that was covered with ricks last night stiff and half dead this morning put her on straw in packing




Another wet day and raining tonight at 10.30. account of floods down country. A poor chance for them to get home tomorrow. John over paddocks, brought in lamb that was lying beside its dead mother on back, drinks well out of bottle. He with others has entered tonight to play Hockey at Napier. Got to Christchurch Hotel at 12.30 at night.


SAT 13  A dry day after all the pouring pouring rain. Half day at school. In the afternoon Grace and children came and stayed the night. She & Bidy and Eva at Motuea. In forenoon Eva rode over paddocks, only one ewe with single.


SUN 14  Arthur's Birthday. Six years. Forget all about it today, piglet well alongside grass.

SUN 14  A fine sunny day. After milking, breakfast and washing up Eva motored Grace & children to Mann, John there, came at 10.30 from Napier last night. A drawn game of Hockey, two each. Eva over paddocks put 2 ewes with twins in myriads where there is much grass. Rode over Marnie hills round over Hughes, near shed a ewe just dropped a single, left it to go on feeding, did not smother it. In the afternoon rode back with Eva, she picked up the lamb near road, mother in another direction. After parting them together and manoeuvring a while she let the lamb suck.

MON 15  When on track pulled the wool off a dead ewe seen by John 4 or 5 days ago.

MON 15  A sunny dry day, cold on the hills. With John sorted the potatoes, picked out eating ones, and pig potatoes, he rode over paddocks, took a lamb away from ewe good mother, another ewe with single, carted from Mann to Motuea all potatoes.   except small bag of eating ones. Eva paid C. Pearson + 10. Doyle + 7-10. I. Mack + 1-9-3 out of a fine Bona Chegg - W. Tarkenton. Mr. Newling in trouble with his motor car today, it burnt today, borrowed one or two hours. It might with Eva attend a meeting in Library, few there. Welcome to politicians tomorrow night week.

TU 16  A September day, cold breezy forenoon, afternoon cold windy and rain. John took a prime load of hay to W. Tarkenton. Eva got both baskets shed at Oremund with

WED 17  A cruel Sept. forenoon, cold wind, heavy showers. John found one of Walters his fore dead in boggy gully leading to bidders, took the other 3 sheep off back. Then from Mann coming home on Friday, Eva & John put ewes with twins off Marnie into Reserve.

THUR 15 Eva & John found a cow caught in laagers in Reserve with twins, put her on oats paddock, expect her to come round, lambs in shed. Willie Mackie came with goods early. I cut bran 10/6. 100 lbs Kerosene 22/6. 100 flour 17/6. 2 loaves of total £2.15.0

FRI 16 The first fine day for a long time. John did some ploughing but had to get in a cow off Hughes with dead lamb and put the skin on our mouth & a pet. They look to each other. cow caught up in laagers not right yet, one of her lambs died of hunger, the other lively as far. Eva over paddocks, 1 or 2 fresh. A letter from Mam, bad news about poor Gert. We must hope & pray for her. After tea M^r & M^{rs} Grant came down and stayed an hour or two, roads dry.

FRID 19 The finest day of the season so far, no wind, sun and warmth. Eva met Mam and Betty at expositum, Gert a little better than when I left her. John ploughing. After tea Mam Eva & Betty motored to see Wanniwit Hotel - show.


SAT 20 A third fine day. Spent the day sorting potatoes, plenty of peas and pig potatoes not many eating potatoes may be enough. John ploughing on back. He took Tomad's disc home to him. Eva Mam Arthur & Betty motored to Abing's. Eva handed M^{rs} Gave Pastmistress a cheque for £50 for the dear Certificate ^{years hence} due 5


SUN 21 A fifth fine day. The cow found by Eva when caught in a Reserve laagers dead this morning, one of her twins died of hunger, the other John put with a cow whose big lamb died on back and the skin used. are in top yards. Mam Eva and 2 children motored to Mamie, Church, Auntie & Methodist Church.


MON 22 A fine day, only a few light showers. carted 2 bags peas potatoes to Sawmoo sale, they fetched 10/ each. John drove up his cow purchased from N Tokaloo last Apr 7, and she was auctioned at £17. 10.0 bought & well fed and today in good condition. Bought for £6. when dry. Mam & Betty left. Bought at Mackies the cut Green Marrows at 11/3 per cut. 6-6-7. 17 bushels oats at 7/6.


TU 23 Grass showing up a bit, lambs nibbling at it. Eva saw 3 fresh pigs do a. Kidnaped twins on Hughes. She is at concert to returned 2 Adrians one Eoghlain. Eva spoke to Bertie M^r Vult at Dem inside, on his return

A white frost this morning, fine day. John finished ploughing on Back, worked off shed and top yards, put up wire netting as a brake to yard pens & lambs.


TH 25  Up early, a doubtful morning, cloudy and rain threatening. John & Eva after breakfast mustered and yoked Back and Lambs. Willy Torkelson helped to catch and hold lambs. Cows not in good condition, no ticks to speak of. Dacted 322 lambs, 301 was 2 hoggets, one was left out with new-born twins & 1 the one. Lambs look well except 4 or 5 were finished at noon. Florin baby and Ella called. Eva worked horses and cow. John has been off hay on his express at Marm for 1 1/2


FR 26  A cold wintry day. John brought up a load of hay to Willy Torkelson. When riding over bridge on Hughes the man's hind leg went through and she was in a most dangerous position, he had to leave her there and come for help. Mr. Rand across the road came with us and by removing decking & stringers we got her out, not much the worse, must give her a few days spell. Eva Mr. Veitch and Miss Matthews motored to Takapau Golf links. Cold.

SAT 27  A very fine day, afternoon sun with broken shadows, took her lamb home. Cared one old padische one fresh lamb on Hughes, carted out 3 bags manure and 2 sacks oats for John to drill on back paddock. Eva Mr. Veitch Miss Matthews Golf at Takapau, grass showing up a bit for sheep, too short for cattle, better than.

SUN 28  A very fine day. Mr. Keane called at 8 AM to say his wife was taken bad & suddenly, was suffering from great pain and would Eva fetch the Doctor, which she did. Dr. thinks it is a case of Appendicitis, will call in afternoon, he did and Eva is to take patient to Hospital tomorrow. Keane's Mother & Mother motored up and the Grandmother took the year old only child home with her.


Willy cow has a 13 calf today, a big one, is very thin as usual but not weak.


SUN 29  Eva took Mr. Keane to Hospital. Keane his Brother accompanied.


MON 30  Missed forenoon, rain & fine. Dept. goes out with a storm tonight. Eva Mr. Veitch Golf at Takapau. John doted Lunt's lambs - all cows 150 cows due about 20

Got in ewes - 4 and 7 lambs off oats and docked & turned lock. £3-6-1

Whakatu cheque sent to Union Bank Napier. John ploughing. Eva at Lewis tonight, called at Heavis tonight, he goes in car to Waipukuruan with Eva tomorrow. Letter from Marn and Telegram from M^r Hunter to see me tomorrow.
Number of lambs docked so far, 574 and 579 ewes, some lambs not docked yet.


FR 13  Eva motored to Waipukuruan Golf hunting with M^r Welch & Miss Mathews took M^r Heavis in car to see his wife in Hospital, she is doing well. John finished ploughing stubble paddock, put out M^r Hunter at Orono - he wants to form a Committee in Newwood. He will advertise for meeting to take place.

SAT 14  A nice day. Planted potatoes in corner of rape paddock behind Oak plantation, two sorts of seed white and blue. I Heavis helping Marn & Bazil come by express, met by Eva at train. All at Victoria. Arthur here.

SUN 15  A very fine day. The two boys running about all day long. Cattle meeting

John put 3 ewes and 4 lambs on Reserve oats, must put more on. Marn out?

The boys motored to Aunts. Billy, Bro. Sheri. Feed for sheep now that for ewes done

MON 16  John put 20 ewes off Reserve and 11 lambs on to Reserve oats and 91 ewes and


their lambs onto Reserve, some to be again taken off. Cow "Daisy" down

John took her "stubble" over to Marn's young bull & back again. Meadow shut up

nearly a week ago, dams and a few hedges on rape paddock. I Heavis ploughed a


bit in his small paddock with one horse. John finished it with double furrow

plough. Marn and Bazil gone again. Eva took them to Orono - express train.

TU 17  A bright day. Eva out over all paddocks nothing in way. At night tea - killing

John finished at Heavis. put in his small paddock of oats. Sent to Gear Co 14. 18-0







for a ton of Rape manure and half a ton of turnip manure. Bag of peat from M^r Larson

WED 18  Walker's cheques returned with M^r Summers for next sale. John commenced

ploughing on Hughes. Carted manure with more chaff on. John & Green at Christ Church

Eva brought Arthur & Biddy here for the night. Return from M^r H for 25 skins - £5. 18. 5 nett.

Got a few Early Rose seed from Heavis and planted them in for one of Eva's gardens.

- Fine weather continues. Arthur motored to Mackie's and gone to school.
 Biddy motored home. Mr. Mackie communicated with Evening News people
 and rectified advertisement. Eva rode over paddocks, found sun dead in creek
 near Riggs's fence, pulled ^{most} of the wool off in the afternoon. Out of £26.0.
 Chiqui paid J. Mackie £13.11 P. G. Grant £3.10. A. H. Hulme sp. John ploughing,
 Harry raps paddock. Anton Hansen called for his ham re-shoulder of bacon.
- FR 17  Fine day after some rain last night. Put views with their bombs on
 Reserve rate. Mr. Morrison brought Mr. Hunter here in his car. We went
 over to see J. Heane. Mr. Hunter came for the purpose of forming a Committee.
 A meeting was held for the purpose in Lutheran Hall at 8 PM as advertised in
 Evening News. After tea Eva motored me and Mr. Hunter to see Mr. Walker
 and Leadly, then to Mr. Chicken and S. Gilbrantzen and Mr. Fredericksen.
 all came in car to Lutheran Hall, where meeting was held. Mr. Hunter
 gave a short address. Big Committee formed. C. E. Peterson Peter Nielsen
 J. Chicken Secretary. J. Heane, Bertie Gunderson ^{to} George Christensen &c.
 J. O'Hara R. Mortensen Hans Anderson C. P. Anderson S. Gilbrantzen & others 18
- SAT 18  Mr. Hunter walked to here from hotel and Eva motored him to Omond &
 and later motored Mr. Veitch and Miss Mathews to golf at Takapanu where
 she tea with a lady there for a prize. Millie for tea pictures and stay tonight.
- SUN 19  Extra high wind this afternoon. Eva motored Millie to Curke, afternoon
- MON 20  J. Heane drove Walker's 2 heifers to Sale, the Springer fetched 10.
 The yellow empty one £6. both poor yearling heifers brought £5-10, steers less.
 Got two front shoes on Tarcis - paid sp. J. Ryan left 2 ton paper manure in shed
 ordered from Mackie. An old cow bought by John last Autumn died last night
- TUE 21  the fate of all old animals purchased. Eva saw ewe with young lambs
- WED 22  Maud again. Cow 'Bobbie' we had to take to Harry Holstein and left
 her there for the night. John ploughing and discing at August 4 hours

Another windy day, rode over and brought "Bolt cut" home to milk from Maroo. With tea put Reserve ewes - 30 out into Maroo hills - 73 there now. Put Reserve cats ewes - 75 into Reserve paddock. Put Flat ewes, 42 into Angle cats - 49 then now left one ewe with lamb just dropped on Flat. Ewe ran over all paddocks, none east. Repaired fence - Hill - Widdups. Ewe at Concert on

TH 23 Day weather continues. Did a bit of work at top place, made a couple of hurdles etc. At night Patriotic Meeting. A final flourish on November 15th. Ryan carted up and put in woolshed. 8 bags Bear manure. Left 16 at Maroo

FRI 24 A sunny calm day. Sledged from Hughes shed load of farming books and did a bit of work on top. Eva found one short horn east on flat. Wilson borrowed express to bring bins from railway. Eva leaving her horses to jump 19 ewes off Flat on

SAT 25 Day weather continues. Eva visited Takapani Golfing, was 2nd from bottom. (Note) from Maroo, not understood. Killed good hogget off paper. John got 2 bags lime for Hughes

SUN 26 Did the young sheep (2 both ewes & their lambs) off cats on to Flat and put Reserve ewes lamb into cat angle cats. Friday Starvoek and Diana called and had a cup of tea. Put up hogget reared a few quarters. Last hog killed on Sept. 5.

MON 27 Started for Pakouhni with Eva. had a puncture going down to Cat hill, put on new wheel, no more trouble, arrived safely, everything looking well.

TU 28 Nice weather at Outamba. Got able to get about a bit with the aid of a chain in front, is improving slowly, looks well. went in car to Hastings.

WED 29 Went to Hastings and Starvoek with Mam Eva Bert and Tim. They are baking and doing a good business. At home John put hoggets in paper paddock to take pea down before ploughing it, is putting Hughes into paper paddock

TH 30 Eva and Bert went to see Doctor at Torosale, gave her oil to put out salmon tinea. At home I, Keane helped John to get in one roll paper paddock. Ground dry, shade

FRI 31 An early lunch and a start for home. Mam takes Tim, came by Hastings, called at Starvoek. At Wikipukuru called at Vauphane. 10:00 AM from there via place. Calm at Hastings, blowing coming from east to Takapani. In time to milk

FR A rainy day, Eva and M^{rs} Nelson with car to Takapanu, did not go to Danvers. Monthly meeting, read our passports, with a very strong. Man at home tonight with Tom. Eva at Victoria. Wash 11th & 1st Bells, 2 barrels skins & bag wool sent per day ago.

SUN 3 Windy day, hurricane night, fire raging from Matamoras to far beyond Agamaka. Robinson's overhauled and machines burnt, second River bridge burnt, first one nearly so. John Grace Arthur & Biacy for tea. Arthur had from Lyronny a nice Birthday Cake. Eva motored thru town, wind too high to drive.

MON 3 A fair rain last night, wind gone down much. John with disc on the minute cultivation pad dock, he did Kiani's bit on Saturday. Cleared out spent at back veranda and made last hauls at top yards, finished there at last.

Pat haggets off papu pad dock into Gundawan, Eva on flat with single good lam.

TU 4 Two forenoon, terrific wind and rain afternoon took refuge in washes did not finish pulling in big human footed post in force below new yards.

A few days ago to Gundawan Miss Magnusson was married in P Church, then here.

WED 5 A Gay Luther Day. A miserable day this high wind and driving rain, no work. Another wedding in Wesley's Church - Adrian and Miss O'Hara, another good day.

TH 6 Fairly good forenoon, afternoon cold and rainy, repaired fence - Waump. Back below yards. John ploughing flat papu pad dock, Eva through sheep & cast

few ewe with fresh single lamb on back. Harold Crossland & Miss Towana married. Hours up to three days ago enjoyed their hay, now the turn their nose up, refuse

FR 7 A fine day at last, neither wind or rain, removed wetting and slates where John is ploughing flat papu pad dock with "Duke's Plow" and a "Duke's Plow".

Two telegrams came today, Bertie M^{rs} Nutt and W Baumgart coming to see us.

Shifted the ewes - 77 and their lambs from "Angle" sets on to Reserve vats.

Docked 2 lambs and a pet - 3, docked to date 879. Got in Reserve sheep - 4 from same

5 00 rams & haggets, killed a fat hoggy and put it back. Sprayed the apple trees with mixture of lead - 8 teaspoonfuls of the material - in bottle, to Kerasora full of water. Mam Eva Arthur and Douglas wish John join motor & Towana's

SUN 9

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A very fine day. I Todd and his little boy called at breakfast time to ask if he can shear 200 sheep in our shed. In the late terrible fire he had 200 mixed dry sheep burnt and also cattle, his house, uninhabited, was burnt. Marn Eva & sons motored to Auntie Bertie M^{rs} Nutt there, Todd's sheep here tonight.

MON 10

Todd, Bob, & Peter Johnson and John in the afternoon shearing. Todd's sheep 140 or so did not finish. Bertie M^{rs} Nutt came at midday, looks well.

TUE 11

The three Bob shearing, finished at midday and took sheep home, they were bad to shear, matted wth. Dig a big amount of weeds out of garden and earthed up self sown potatoes. At night called at M^{rs} Peterson's, Peter Nelson there.

WED 12

Enough rain today and tonight to wet the surface. Enrolled M^{rs} and M^{rs} Wilson as electors, called at Fabian's no proof of him being naturalised, so he and a wife cannot be put on the electoral roll. Got wire from M^{rs} Hunter to engage Hall for Tuesday night and school at Ngamoko for Tuesday at 2 PM, dia both.

TH 13

Pat was & looks off Reserve flat on to Reserve paddock. At night all hands went to final concert in Hall, took up bag of firwood and boiled tupper. Eva took cakes all ladies did so. Plenty of provisions, pictures and dance. Marn came home early with Jim. A big crowd. Eva Bertie Wth Terkildsen M^{rs} Grant cards, home after 1 AM.

FR 14

Turned out fine day. Joe Marn helping John in rape paddocks, two teams. Marn and Eva motored Bertie to Auntie. Went to Wellington via O^{ke} through post.

SAT 15

A very fine day, just in a little haze and a few pumkin seeds and parsnips in lawn garden. Eva over paddocks, on one east and one dead in back with tinner skinned ewe and skinned home skin and some meat, hams, carcass. John and I pulling and drilling in para. Lovers in Rosewood tonight. Eva Grace & Arthur there.

SUN 16

Has seventy years of age six years ago. I and I finished putting in rape John went to Ormond to play cricket. Worked in garden getting out weeds in. Pat and Eva in A warm fine forenoon, fresh rain in the afternoon, welcome and much wanted all rape sown just in time; at Hughes it is making its appearance in new ground.

MON 7 A warm day, rain threatening some Cows, did some weeding in garden went to stock sale, cattle very cheap, young steers low. At night these fleckie

TU 8 The usual dry day, did some work in garden, Out of a cheque for £24-
paid I Mackie's 11-11-9, P & Grant 7-10-2, I Beall's 1-8-2, Boyle, et al 1-8-9

On his way to township, Mr. Hunter called, C.P. Anderson's car, midday, at 7.00
motored to Junction hotel where he stays. At 8 o'clock he addressed a fair number
of people in town hall, got lots of thanks and confidence very quiet orderly meeting

WED 13 Mr. Hunter called before going in C.P. Anderson's car to visit a few people in
townships and Otairua before going to Takapuna. Rain in the afternoon and
a heavy shower at night. Mr. Selby called with Mary and Dec. He sent Sam's to
spraying works on Monday last, 25 lbs weight. 8 1/2 per lb, he wants to get the melons fat.
Cows are to go in middle of next month. Pickets tonight. Mass tea & then there of course.

TH 20 Rode over Maunaki no snow than enough feed for stock. John doing a
bit of stumping, one man to plough a piece tomorrow for turnips, he came
with express for sheep. Eva Maun Grace & Diddy motored to Darn to meet
Mr. Baumgart, is here tonight, looks well. Garden over run with weeds, pulled

FR 21 Weeding in garden and giving parathistle to pig. For the John & Tom
At night young people - three Mackie's had ping pong cards in a good shower.

SAT 22 A dry busy day, did some work near top shed, pulled out of hole two young
one rabbits. Eva was over paddocks on Rangit. Mr. Baumgart on his horsewood. Outlets
out at Newwood. Diamond's ones could not raise a team, started at gatepost in

SUN 24 The usual dry day, Hana & Teta passed their 3 bales of recently shorn wool
Put 11 ewes with their lambs off Reserve into angle gate, hours in in Reserve

MON 24 Put in horn on gatepost in sheep gate and hung gate on it. Lona Jan 22-24-
Raid to Port Moresby Jan. Mass tea Mr. Grant Tom motored Darn. Mr. Baumgart and

TU 25 Worked at sheep yards & shodged in material from Bark. Mass & C. Gravel
motored to Darnwick. Got at 11-24 Kettle 14 bales 28 inches. 10 to come. Got at 11.00
a cover and tub - £9-14 and

WED 26 Showers today and heavy rain at night, much needed. Bishop's Birthday
 Three years. Granny gives her a wicker chair brought from Hastings month ago.
 Mr. Lawson tames piano, took much fluff and dirt out of it. Eva at Pictures.

TH 27 All motorca to Pakowhai, no mishaps. Got able to walk about but knees
 stiff. Delighted to see Tom looking so well and strong. Mam Eva Paroh pictures at
 Hastings

FR 28 A nice day. Motorca to Napier with Got and Tom. Saw Manager Wilson
 left in his charge Max Bond Certificate for £100 Ten years term. Supreme Court
 sitting. A Koroвера case going on. Barrow & Barrow shown assault, not finished.

SAT 29 Took our departure from Pakowhai. At Te Aute rain commences and
 increases as we went on. Picked up Mr. Braunergart in Hastings. Tea at the pub.
 All but one motorca to Oramond with Douglas, boy scout sports, much rain pictures

SUN 30 Nice day, cut up fat subogget that John killed yesterday, he took part of it
 home today. Rode "Tiviv" over paddocks. Left wire broken on Dowaka fence, no part.
 After tea all hands motorca to Arthur's. This has been a very windy month.

MON 1 DEC

TU 2 A day breezy day like the days of last month. Put away shambles off rough carts
 out on back. Merged gate and took to Gunderson's corner. John drilled 4 acres
 of tops for Painter Ebon and left drill to row fallen in Hurst's place. Mr. Erickson
 Sent note to Mr. Lund - wool packs here, shed ready. Eva got basket wheat Hocking. 10/6

WED 3 Snow low down on the hills, windy and bitterly cold. 3rd Pictures run

TH 4 Put in a package of peas and a few cabbage and califlower seeds.

FR 5 A fine sunny day hung gates at Gunderson's corner, and put hands at
 gateway at oak corner. A musical evening, lady teachers. Messrs Leadley, Hall, Fry
 Prod, Siga, Davis, John and Tom. Arthur in bed tonight, to bed at 1:30 A.M.

TR 6 The usual breezy drying day, did some work in woolshed and pulled
 wool of dead ewe that got bagged at pond. Pina Mactris belt 7 1/2 days 1/14
 out of a Ten Pound charge. At night attended Com. meeting in room in the pub.

WED 4 Windy forenoon. All hands entered to Lammington called at 11³⁰ - (Horse)
 got 10 woolpacks - 22 inch, this makes 24. Attended W. R. Newington, a large
 amount of Correspondence much money paid out by way of relief or
 cricket at Rosewood. Lammington High School Boys' game not finished.

SUN 7 A busy forenoon. Afternoon all entered to Clive amongst the widows.
 At night all went to Methodist Church. Rev Foster preached a brilliant sermon.

MON 8 Another stay-within forenoon, washing and long out this drying weather.
 Eva rode over paddocks. After tea, she Mam and M^r. Baumgart at Allens & Co.

TUE 9 Some showers in forenoon, had some drills of potatoes in afternoon.
 After tea a fishing party of girls and boys came, caught a couple of eels in one

WED 12 Another drying day, most of the potatoes had up now. I Hoare
 came and in ground and fixed up new pair of shears for Mac Donald, German

TH 11 Had potatoes till 12 o'clock. John waiting for Bishop to bring back dirt
 then he will put in his turnip seed, Leslie Christiansen pulling the ground for it.
 After dinner with Eva Mam and M^r. Baumgart entered to Clayton, Peter was
 M^r. Clayton own his farm, good cows and splendid feed. Clover grass & California
 thistle, a little rain. At night I went to Dis to play cards, one went to bed.

FR 12 A fine almost calm day, finished being potatoes and John drilling ^{turnip} seed
 Eva through sheep missed a ewe cast on flat, saw her when going out with her
 pledge, a splendid 8 tooth ewe, put her right. Eva got in Reserve sheep. With a boy
 the last and not very fat, school concert, Eva Mam & M^r. Baumgart there. Rode
 up to township to dissolve Committee, done already, back home. Paid 1/10

SAT 13 but up sheep and daggged some of the Reserve ewes and some lambs & 2, the
 farms involved in Reserve. Cricket in Rosewood & Lammington, some light showers

SUN 14 A calm day, rode over paddocks, two ewes cast, not long, ground hard rain
 was laid

MON 15 Rode out on back and put 2 hipers with bull on Island
 John then started to take down ridges - Widgeons per cow. At sale, poor prices for cattle
 Paid Robert 11-5-6 Dinner 1/6 Berlin 1/6, potatoes 1/6. F. Selby same. Drafts lambs 1/6. more
 M^r. Baumgart gone to - Circus in Rosewood. Eva & Mam at Allens.

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A calm warm day. With John and Joe H. fixed up wire netting
attached to dip yards, then Sam & I went taking down fence - Briggs -
Widump. Put hill over stumps into Reserve with ones already there
and Hughes into Flat to have ready early tomorrow. One with
snowing machine cut Henderson's small meadow. One borrowed

of George from Chris Anderson. Mr. Grant left it here. Also from Mr. Hunter
of Jay Packer house at Waipukurau. All said behavior but advised it in
the dead end return from Mr. Hiddle at 13 1/2 - 14 1/2 nett. placed to my credit. The Bank
of night members of Ladies Col Club gone fishing for eels in creek. calm

An wonderful day. All was done in yards by 6 o'clock. Joe and John
early on the job. I Silby came at 6.30 & picked 266 lambs at 2 1/2, drove cum Han.
Joe Harris helped to pen up. John had to leave at 8.30 and attend at school on
behalf of Prohibition with Mr. Leady. Joe brought up a great number of voters
in her car and doubtful ones. C Anderson also did good work. Wall. Robinson

also saw Fairfield way on a Mir Mathew. Republican Hunt ran a car for Sale
and May-murron his car. Agumaka way some prepared. Hunterites voted. Well.
All night big crowd at Pictures mostly to see returns from polling booths. I returned
home at 12.30 after a warm torrid day. some returns in favour of Messy
number of new voters out. Hughes 9. Pack 263. Reserve 128. Range 104 - 592

Rather surprising Election returns in view. Sir J. G. Hand kicked out
by Brown on eight hundred votes, re-elected supposed to be through his
treacherous action in turning dog on his comrade W. Messy. What was called
Liberalism is crushed. Labour increased. Reform in a fair majority.


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Party	Votes	Percentage
Conservative	592	58.5
Labour	263	25.9
Reform	128	12.5
Prohibition	104	10.2
Other	9	0.9
Total	1016	100

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
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
FR 19  A calm warm day. Morn Eva Grace Arthur & Mr. Wilch out on to Damour
Ride over Reserve on a Hills, had dinner at Johns. Rain at night. John & M. Mackie carts

SAT 20  Morn a breeze, high wind in the evening. John at cricket. Damour
moistened ground dried up again. Eva rode over paddocks. In the afternoon
we motored to upper township, post paper to Mr. Warren & G. Armstrong.




SUN 21 At home, rain and a heavy shower of hail in the afternoon, very cold.




MON 22  A fine day after the rain and hail. With John carted, paste stoves & wire
WED 24  to turnip fence. Put in strainer trays and ran out 2 wires. Kim from
God to pay she was coming by express. Betty came too. M. Baumgart went by
pass train on to Wellington, train full but man aged to get a seat, much trouble


TU 23  M. Lund brought his sheep at 5.30 or 6.30. Scott shore a few before
WED 24  breakfast. Peter Schomew came late. Gordon Hanson shorn 14 or so. Timidus
and a few horns. With John and Joe teams put up two rips fence except battens.




WED 24  Eva got in Reserve sheep before she Morn Bert & bairns went to Damour
the old road, crossed river. Mill & Basil came up by Coach on a train.
Killed two lambs for 2 morn. M. Lund and Gordon came & we pressed 3 bales. John
banded bales & bags of Bellies spices. All but one motored to Abies. Sat pictures.
Return for 2 bundles of skins from M. & Kettle - £11.0. 2. - seventeen skins 4/6




XMAS DAY A lovely day, toys and presents, books dolls, jigsaws and paper, invitation of
three houses for dinner & tea, sounders & fireworks in evening. M. & G. Campbell
present, came with the others in phanton. Eva gave 2 lambs to Yumara & her




   Breezy Boring Day. Stayed at home with Will and Jim. The others all went to Methodist Pk. Usual children's sports w. Arthur & Finlay won 6. Eva got in Hughes was lame after leaving Bert Hill & Jim at railway station. Betty and Bazil stays here. John came and daggged ewes, not bad to do. 70 woolly ewes and 4 shorn. 25 lambs. Ewes well washed and in good condition. In pm was




SAT 27    Good morn last night, calm day. With John shorn 13 before breakfast. Then Scott and Peter came and with John finished the 70, good big places.

 Finished about 3 o'clock, then we pressed two bales. 51. 45 places. 1:2. 40. Bella Grant looking well, for tea then all hands entered to Pictures.

SUN 28    A beautiful day. Mam & Ed went to afternoon church and then to see Mr. Mulhollan who has been very ill. John got in Hill and a Reserve ewes and lambs. 120 woolly and 8 shorn ewes and 85 lambs, shed filled tonight after we daggged them. Mercedes Mackay and Tutton called. Gordon called.







MON 29 A good shearing day. Scott shorn 10 before breakfast. John also. Peter came    after breakfast and shorn Scott. John shorn the same amount his lot. T. Ryan took away 2 loads wool and 2 of our bales. Eva got in


   Widespread ewes lambs. 47 of latter 107 ewes, all in shed tonight. We pressed two bales after knock off time, too dark to brand them. Mam shorn at Dad's tonight.


TU 30    Another good shearing day. Scott got through 64. Peter bales six 50.


W 31 On Saturday Scott 37. Peter 26. Monday Scott 62. Peter 49. Today 84. P. 20 T. Ryan's wagon took 2 bales. Eva got in a cut of ewes off Back, another later.


6) 130 ewes in shed tonight, some still on Back. Widespread 107 shorn & put back with 57 lambs. Killed a fair lamb tonight. All ewes cutting good places.


TH 1    Another hot day. Eva got in remain six of ewes lambs off Back.    one ewe with a lamb a few days old. All ewes shorn except 26 in shed. 6.3. 4.6 Paid to Scott for shearing 215 sheep. Peter comes tomorrow, his brother and Helen. Some two latter called today. Eva lamb oblige came. 266 lambs at 2/6 - £279-18.00 as usual. See Keane mowing his meadow with our machine. Gave Mam £2 for baker's.


 A doubtful sort of morning, foggy like light rain a slight breeze
 Spring up. John & Anton started on the remaining ewes - 26, then Peter and his
 brother came after breakfast, Eva got in the Hoggate - 197 a couple of ewes included.
 This flock is fat and fleeces good enough. John & Joe lagged them, not much on them.
 Shearing finished between 5.30 and 6 o'clock. Paid Peter £3.10 and brother £1.0.
 Joe & Anne finished with mowing machine and a Wilson borrowed it. Paid £10/-
 from Mr. Larsen for a half lamb. W. Todd called and shov a few at the end.
 Sent letter to N.D. Farmers Fertilizing Co Auckland and final call £.0.6


 Lovely rain today, heavy showers sent Bear Lamb cheque to Union Bank.
 John came in afternoon, we pressed 2 bales Hogg wool, 66 fleeces in each.

 We completed dip, took up a bit. Mam Eva & the 3 youngsters at circus.
 A close calm day. John's Birthday, over 50 years. We pressed all the
 wool except pieces shorts. Bellie's No 14 in a spot bale all the others
 heavy. J Ryan's team took away 3 bales. Killed a fairly good lamb. Pictures


 F. Selby now called. He comes at the end of this month, you bring lamb
 down. Then John helped leave & Bro got in their hay. After dinner went
 over to Keanie's and cooked all hay. As packed with filly, got in more than half.
 Jack Todd came late with his sheep and filled shed, sheep camp, some rain
 in the evening. Eva and Mr. Valloh motored to Adams, my dog country pen


 A great deal of rain fell last night and this morning. Ellis Todd
 started to shear his sheep about breakfast time by himself, then Willy & Jack joined
 him and John about 10 o'clock, weather clear. Hay finished shearing about 5.00
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
 Mr. Ryan's team, N. Mulholland driver, took 8 bales - the last today.
 The Simpson and boy called, with her Mr. Parsons, Eva motored them
 in the evening the pair motored to Affairs. Calm weather now, no wind
 note to Williams & Kettle giving a description of the 18 bales on.


 A fine sunny day, dug potatoes in garden, good ones, for last 2 days. The tribe for dinner were two others, eleven altogether, the men the men. John turned over the hay and in the afternoon we carted it in, only 5, put feet.


M^r Means left for Napier hospital on to see a Doctor two days ago. In alone. At night attended Meeting to enquire about disabled soldiers or dependents with the view of assisting some through "War Relief Association", enquiries.


 A beautiful day, worked in garden, weeding back up and wire-netted peas, rode over and interviewed M^r Hollins, she does not require any assistance from "War Relief Association". John made dam at creek.

 Filled dip with Joe Hahn put in 500 gallons, measured and gauged.


 Got in Killiana & Barrow sheep, picked out 23 dry cull ewes, put on sale in Angle paddock, 108 sheep and 25 lambs put back. M^r Hunter called afternoon and stays in township tonight. Marn & Eva motored to Dr's tonight, came to


 Motored to Dannevirke to attend "War Relief Assoc" meeting, 41 applications.


 Changed three pound cheque at Mackay's to pay general expenses.

 Got at Williams & Kettle's a case of penman Dips (Coopers) and a drum of liquid. Crossed river going, picked up Miss M^r Callister in Dannevirke, came home by Holden's road, called on Miss Westbrook at Makoluki P.O. John picked out

31 ewes for sale off Wairarapa put back 76 ewes, 56 lambs, 200 chickens did not come.

 A nice calm sunny day. All bananas motored to Manawatu for fire in in Bishop's Bush, the Grant family and M^r Peterson joined us, a nice clean place under big white pine trees near river. Came home about 4 pm.

 John brought in from back two Jersey heifers, the dark one with young calf, she is quiet and easily got into bail, the other one with poor calves. Sent to Denton's as subscription to Agricultural & Pastoral Assoc. M^r King legal secretary & Magistrate's papers.

 John cut the meadows a light crop, put 29 ewes & 22 lambs off Wairarapa into Wairarapa 100 on Wairarapa more 84 lambs. Showed a small heifer calf got in yesterday. Marn & two girls at Allens tonight. Breezy, not nice for light hay.



Anton Svensen came early with his 250 waga lambs, dist. per them used 3 gallons of M^r Dougal's dist. providiana by him self, remain one of ours - Coopers liquida, double strength, the Norwooda Jennie Clark, Eva Ham & Miss M^r Collister from here on stored to Dammwinke & played a game. The Dammwinke players being more numerous had the best of the game. Plated and carted in our hay in 5 loads, rain threatening but luckily kept off until we got it into shed, only about half the quantity we had last year.

The yellow Jersey heifer calved last night, a small one for a age, both hips quiet. Steady rain set in after we got hay into shed, will do much good, grass still short.

TH 15 A good deal of rain fell last night and today. At night M^r Mackie Tony

FR 16 Skinned the second calf. Paid T. Ryan's drivers - W. Mulholland £2-5-6 for the carting of 15 bales of wool at 3/ each. Rode over paddocks, grass still short for

SAT 17 Rode out the farm meadow, only fair crop. With reaps took out Californian patch of thistles in flower in water, patch of oats disarranged, millions of peas if let grow

SUN 18 A calm gray day. Youngsters and their Daddies and Mammae backwards and forwards over the paddocks. Eva and Miss M^r Collister for a long ride

MON 19 A wet forenoon, the rain will do much good. Rode Tracy up & got her shoes

Paid Mackie bill £7-3 out of a £10 cheque. Sent cheque to W^m Hallett £10-17-7 and to C. L. Wilson's Cell £10-8 and Dimond's Walker & Co £2-2-2. P. G. Grant £5-10- paid by Eva, and Doyle & Co £1-3-1. Saw W. M. Thomson in office, looks well after his sojourn in San Francisco where everything is three times dearer than in New Zealand. Rode round and saw Ole Gunderson in bed, the Doctor just on a visit, patient fine for the last four days, a little better today. Eva & Miss M^r Collister at Ings tonight.

The three youngsters go out gathering mushrooms, a great many in paddocks

TUE 20 Very heavy rain fell today, came down in torrents sometimes. Rode

W. H. Wilson & Settlers at Waipukurau sale, no rain fell there. Miss M^r Collister met at Orm^{by} by Ham & Co, came up. Eva got in Widgeon sheep. Killed a good lamb. The household except one at A. News tonight.

~~21st~~ Turned out to be a fine day. A big gathering at Gympkiana.

Noticed up with all hands at 12.30. Many horses for jumping. Eva moseher in the maiden jump used spurs, many objected.

The addition race most exciting, many entries. Eva had a bad start but got through. John added up quickly and correctly and Eva won amidst great applause and cheering. She won the tugging, got 5 on out of 5.

She gained the points prize - candlesticks. Dr and M^{rs} Vetch came down with them to her after tea. All but one at Victoria tonight.

~~22nd~~ A few calm day, rode over to Maroo, Joe and Helaham turning the hay. John napping. Betty Engelbretson came after dinner, carted all in with the two drays, put Joe's horse in the sack, a good days work, finished by 6 o'clock. The three youngsters came across the paddocks, here tonight.

~~FR 23~~ Rains last night, ground not softened yet, took down partition buggy spha and cleaned out rubbish. Tom Hovess rode out to Oom. Eva joins 10/11/12/13/14

~~SAT 24~~ Now rain this forenoon and last night, the shoe lost by Will Black at Gympkiana Eva got put on today. Men bus home from Baumgart to send him saddle.

~~SUN 25~~ Light rain morning, fine afternoon. Motored to M^{rs} Aldershaw's place.

All hands Hovess and youngsters, had a conversation with M^{rs} Roper re De.

~~MON 26~~ Discovered two dogs worrying a lamb in Reserve Creek, the dogs are owned by Harold Crossland, they have worried other sheep in the neighborhood rode over Reserve, Hills, Hughes, saw only one worried lamb. John duffing for Helaham and helping Helaham to get his hay in, pledged barb wire from Angus tomorrow.

~~TU 27~~ A warm calm day, all but one answered from here to go downing, the three youngsters dropped with Biddy, the others with Maria & M^{rs} Vetch on to Divine. Two funerals in Nowawawa, and both coffins in Lutheran Church for evening. First M^{rs} Jensen aged 79, then at 2.30 Engelbet Engelbretson aged 84. The man for latter driven by S. Mackie's. Rode over back, the wild cow has a young calf.

Then saw F Selby, like horse of Batches striking, was out to buy.

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JAN 23

Blouses again motored to Dannevirke dismissing children at Harrow tonight. John came with mowing machine to cut grass between the paper and Reserve. Wadd came at 10.30 and we pressed 24 bales altogether, one bale of black log-stainer x BREED two bales BREED one bale mixed bellies & pieces and 2 places on top. Cricket in Newwood & Abraham & Barand.

Blouses away again to Dannevirke dismissing. J. G. Paulson came and dipped his 389 sheep, ewes & lambs. J. Adrian & Albin helping. Price £ 2. 4. 6. Then John carted in Holdman's hay, a few loads. In the morning he cut the grass between the Reserve and paper then saw F. Selby, came for lambs on site.

The usual farm dry day. Eva got in hagglets off Gunderson's Sea we picked out 17 wethers from amongst them and dipped 188 ewes & 1 lamb which were put back, the wethers in Reserve. We carted in two half loads of grass hay from rape paddock. Eva and Miss M^{rs} Alister took dark heifer to M^{rs} Allen. £ 7. 0. in the price, three other cows taken with her. Eva bought oat at new shop. Reserve.

All sheep gone through today, first John got in Hills and Reserve, when these were gone through, ewes and rejects put back in Reserve, next Eva & John got in Back sheep, then Hughes, then Kiderups put in stockyard until wanted. 103 lambs picked out and 9 ewes at 2 1/2 p lambs 20 p. F. Selby did not come until 2. They are kept in gara tonight to settle down. M^{rs} Allen paid for Eva. Aug 27.

SUN 1 FEB 1920

Some rain last night, poured at 8.30 this afternoon. John and Ann took the lambs to Makotaki and left them in Railway yard. Church this afternoon. Mam Eva Miss M^{rs} Alister & Rev Whibley motored there, went with them as far as Lutheran Church, then joined in with funeral of Ole Gunderson, a service was held in Lutheran Church. At grave Rev Albin & Pastor Lagerth officiated.

Tuesday day. Miss M^{rs} Alister called at 8.15 for 10 train, went by La Presse. Got front shoe put on Tracie, went to stable, bought 2 ewes at 10 p. John bought a little pig for 2 1/2 p and 30 lambs at 1/3 one at 10 p. Furans are big Womsey, sold at Makotaki 2 1/2 p 2 years ago at 25. 0. 0.

A warm day, mustered all sheep from every paddock, put ^{the} same in
meadows one in shed tonight 17 total. Drafted and dipped all lambs. 248 juv.
This number deduct 21 bought yesterday leaves 217 of ours with 266 and 103 put to beam
6 killed 1 part, 1 with hoggets, 2 very small make a total of 576 lambs drafted & mustered
29 ewes dipped with lambs and put on raps with them John took to Marnie, leaving
125 ewes put on Marnie ps. 259 on Back and young lamb, 83 on Reserve and Hills
95 on Hughes and a week lamb, total 591 and 118 too thick with sheep 248 juv.
There is a total of 709 ewes old and young in all paddocks, 248 lambs, 17 rams.

Redoubt over to Marnie at 5.30 AM. helped John down lambs to go
on raps. 82 and 10 ewes on Marnie raps, big lot on Hughes raps, walked
ground fences, examined lambs, no live ticks. Royalthem dipped 130 lambs &
Rosa and Son dipped 130 for 6 Fairbairn. All hands with Mr White mustered
to Diamond & Sports John rode Black, Douglas rode Trivia. Eva saw many
traps of horse events, 2 for jumping, killing rings, quassa & mac, solid lamb.

Anton Pearson came with his 224 lambs before breakfast, dogged &
put them through by dinner time, then George Neal came and we dipped 227
of his lambs, a warm day. John Douglas Mr Spright gone to the mountains.
At 7.30 at night the in-coming school master for Pakowhai called to inquire about
the road and ask if he was on the right road to Newwood with water long lead.

Motara to Dannevirke with John & Law to stock sale, took 100 raps lambs to
Lev-100 and saw much inferior stuff, ewes not too dear, did not buy, day very hot.
brought home in car drum of Dips 50/ for 5 gallons - 82/4 per can of powder, Oxfura.
also brought home a case of Benzine from William & Hattie's, Sam & Co at Marnie.
With Sam Co and Betty motara to Dannevirke, returned the Bell of
Eva got drum of Dips at 11/00 & Hattie and case of Benzine at Harrisons. Do Peter
came home with us. Eva had near Mangatara, Knitka jacket. Got Lamb Dip 87.8-3
fairly hot match Newwood & Diamond - not finished. Pastures now under 15 years.
Paid Mackin monthly bill with 17 cheques - bill paid 6 6 6-0



A calm cool day. All except one returned to River, picked up. It felt that a point
 Rain set in and has steadily continued all the evening. Sent cheque for 6 rams 7-18
 to Wainarapa farmers. Danmoko, and gave cheque to Union Bank, 127-8-3

MON 9 Rain last night and some this morning. W. M. Michael came
 with his flock of 573 stow-was, it was fine whilst we were dipping them.

John came as we began to dip them and then Mac-penna apt. Paid £1-10-0
 showers during the day. Stated to Factory. W. M. away. Gave £10 cheque to
 went to Postmistress with it. John repaired culvert on Flat. Transplanted
 Cauliflower plants in garden. Grass growing well. Man & Co. at Dr's cards

TU 10 Almost a wet day. Stated apt. L. Serdy's and saw W. Thomson, en-gard abo
 Reg's health on a by request of M. Gingley, Sec to War Relief Association.

SENT PARTICULARS TO M. Gingley. Sent cheque £16-17-6 to Loan & Mercantile
 Danmoko for 30 lambs. M. Wilson called and gave us two big heads of Cabbage
 Telegram from Williams & Kettle to say Hogg's 16% Crossbred 16% hogg's 2 bales
 x Broad 11 bales. Bellis and a bale of mince to be sold later on. Last year 3 bales hogg's 16
 and 10 bales x broad was 15%. Bale of Bellis 11% on 22nd Jan any. Show earlier but you

WED 11 A fine day. John & Co. saw one split a leg on Hughes and repaired the bridge
 Then they took mowing machine to sea and cut his oats, a very good crop
 cleaned out about on back verandah and rectified roof of meat safe. Pictures

TH 12 A fine day for the show. All hands from both houses out to show ground
 A great number of cars and big crowd of people. Men to milk stea. Man & Co. from onto
 back to see Wirth's Circus. A huge crowd 7/6 sp. 4 tent packed. Home at 12.45

FR 13 A warm day. L. Ferrabona and his little girl after dinner dip
 343 lambs. Lester Adrian after dinner came with maps & binder and cut
 until six o'clock. John & Co. helped to steady machine on the steepest grass

AT 14 Another hot. Man & Co. took Basil & Dolly to meet Miss Mammy at Waip
 Arthur with them. L. Adrian finished cutting oats at 11.00. Paid him 10/4-8-0
 for 8 1/2 acres. Koro-w-a cricket team won match at Dr. by innings 73-0 runs

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A calm cool day John helped Eva to get his oats in as rain sheltered
Mama's car at Church, then we motored to Aunt's at home Eva gathered mushrooms

A cloudy calm day helped John in the afternoon to tie and
stack the oats many sheaves on hill-side only partly tied by machine. 2
paid by Mr. Linn, this amount is more than he was asked to pay. Then Eva at Mamas
To 1

Got in over two paddocks picked a rook and put on Wharfedale 119 good
breeding ewes. Put 31 of the best condition with 12 lambs on paper 56 the poorest
on good fresh past on Hughes. Cut and tied a stack of oats left by machine

Jack Todd came early with his lambs and we dipped them - 122
Preparations made to see Sakapan Sports, rain set in, not heavy at 10
or so, put on working clothes again, all the shears went. John & Douglas near leg 7
and All Black. Mam Eva Grace & Mairies Mr. Vitch and Mavis motored there and
back. Eva's mare hauled a 2nd high brush jump, was debarred from competing
in maiden jump having won at Ormrod's. Did not enter for other event. Pictures.

Continuous rain all last night and greater part of today, creek up, rain at 8
Mama called, wants to buy horses by containing 12 or 15 parts near his farm, gave it
A very fine day after two days rain, Eva motored, A Dean
means to stay there tonight, tennis at Waipawa is on. Slidged with
Tennis some timber from shea at Hughes. En larging shea to hold chaff
John & Joe stow up some oat stacks that were lying down, good drying day.

A dull cloudy day inclined to be wintry. John Arthur & Daisy
came on express with load of timber from Hughes. Afternoon John went
rickshing to Dannevirke. Put up partition in chaffshed. Eva motored home
in time for tea from Waipawa Tennis and A Dean's. She & Mam at Pictures.

A nice sunny day John shifted lambs off Hughes 20 parts grass paddock. All at home
20 Lambs put off. Angk paddock on to paper the 17 ewes got in, one with
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Mam Eva M. Vetch M. Grant & Mavis motored to Kaiparua Tennis and home at 8 pm. This is the finish. With John put on batteries on turpentine fence and put in a few posts by Reserve Flat plantation. Got in lambs off paper, killed

WED 25 Drove out to cat paddock with "Ginger" Pinner wagon and paper and loaded, many sheaves with Californian thistles. Willy, Terkildsen and Lind Logan came, latter built pound stack. Willy loaded or carted in. Frederick's and and Jorgensen came with horse wagon, loaded & carted in. Eva worked more on wagon. I Mavis did some with horse and wagon. All out in by 5 pm. not enough to head stack. Covered it with tarpaulin pieces etc. Willy and Logan for tea on Eva in the morning fetched and brought down back home in eve. Rain all day

TH 26 A wet day, nothing done except mushrooms gathered by Eva. Yesterday she paid Hughes rent and Income Tax to M^{rs} Grace Postorius $7-15-3$ and $2-2-2$ the day before she paid County Council rates, £19.8.9 and Rates £17.6.2 & £21.6.3

Today Mam paid M. Grants bill - six pounds or so out of 25 shagen. Checked away some of this shagen, buying wire for robbery. Got 1/42 per ton for work, pay 12/6 per ton for the article manufactured and more. At night Wana John Mackintosh called. Received Bank slip from Williams Kettle for 12 bales wool 364.0.9 and Logans 7.9.2

FR 27 Drizzle greater part of day, did a bit of work in chaff shed and put a few sacks etc on cat stack, a breeze this afternoon. Rec Whibley for dinner, afterwards Eva motored him up Ngarnoko way to see some Church members and enumerated the Babies he expects to Christian next Sunday. Enough rain now for Autumn of

SAT 28 Moist weather, some rain, no work doing. John shifted lambs off Mam's paper on to paper on Flat. All lambs on this paper now. Mam & Eva Pinner

SUN 29 A fine sunny day, very quiet until Rec Whibley came after dinner. Mam & Eva motored him to Church, he Baptised Wilson's baby, no others carted up today. After Church Eva and this Matthews motored to Morrisons, had tea there. Hares Mortensen called, has 400 ewes to dip in the future. John & Tam called

MON 1st

MAR

1920

A fine drying day worked at Plantation fence, Reserve. John left at 4 AM to go to Harwood sale; bought Focion hifer parts in calf, up to Gerts Birthday, on my happy returns she is strong and cheerful & plenty to do.

Mam saw J. Selby, cannot come this week for lambs, will come next week hoping

to make a fine out John put lambs off it on to good feed on flat, he cannot take any more from us for several weeks to come. Works getting fatter, bread increases in price.

A young man called early with drapery. Mam bought some pieces looks nice supposed to be cheap, a swipe on more drapery required in the house before 1922. He finished the Reserve plantation fence, made a good job of it. Mc Donalds 1300 dipped 48 lambs will bring 2 shillings in each.




Got in off Flat was lambs ran off lambs, daggie them and put them on the safe by themselves 241, six more in Mam's paddock, 62 was on Flat. Mam paid the Drapery man charge for £7.10.6, he speaks nicely to the drapery. Letter & bank slip from W. H. Skelton, 8 skins sold, £2.9.4 net, 4 lambs 1/6, 3 skins 1/6.



Fenced stock, cows pulled out some last night. Plantation Hill & Reserve.




These are big & toothy ones, picked out 9 old ones from amongst them and put them on Flat making 71 culls to fatten, leaving 86 big & toothy, we dipped & put back on Hills Reserve. Dipped the 170 ewes. Grace met Leslie Campbell wife at Ormiston. Mc Donalds dipped 2 lambs - 48 yesterday paid 4/6. This is good weather for dipping.




A great day for Dash youngsters, crowds of them going on an excursion to Napier from Riv Riv to Takapanu, teachers and Parents in charge. Arthur went with his Granny and Eva. We got in 1300 sheep, picked 1600

goat breeding ewes, daggie and dipped them, all has to be arranged to the dip. These with the 86 ewes dipped yesterday makes 248 now on Back. Put the 98 wolls in Reserve & Hills for the present. Killed a lamb for home use quarter to 8 o'clock - a procession of lighted vehicles going to Ormiston. Back at 10 o'clock. Mam Eva & father were there, all well treated by Napier People. Saw Gent & Will.

SAT 6  A very fine day, cut up lamb. Motored to Larnaca called at John's
MON 7  Saw Leslie M^{rs} Campbell and 2 babies. John & Beatie Engelbrecht came to
 play cricket and Arthur came with us and back. Paid Williams & Kellie 10-
 shillings & American like Agon² 2 to Joe heifer. H. B. Farnham for put lamb 15p. A pound of
 Bought from Harrison's, ironmongers case of Benjamin 34p and 1 from 17th & 18th 34p
TUE 8  Attended monthly meeting, the usual assistance wanted, many letters of thanks
 Brought back in car case of Coopers powder Dip. News that Hans Nordbye passed

WED 9  Another fine Autumn day. Noon tea at 12 o'clock Church. Peter & Jim over
 good grass in paddocks. M^{rs} Bellamy and Inga came in afternoon. Motored back
THU 10  Got on sheep off Hughes, picked out 40 of the fattest - were wetters and put
 them on Angli fresh grass. put 87 New remain down on Flat and Hughes - 127. The
 total number of sheep now are, on Back 248 for the season dipped, 118 too toothy to
 118 on Mainup not dipped. 228 culls to fatten total 709. Fenced pig paddock
 worked at chaff house doorway. Wood called in evening, wants to buy heifer and

FRI 11  Did some work at Shefford. Peter & Jim to Hans Nordbye funeral. With a 2 14-0
 Chequera 1 Mackie 4-7-2. P. Grant 5-2-11. Boyle 10-4-13-5. John drilling
 oats at Garfield for M. Kaleb. Windy this afternoon for a while. Rain threatening
WED 12  Beautiful Autumn weather, dug out patch of new potatoes in bog garden. Repaired
 fence, mowed - saps, put loads of saps stalks on to vicinia on flat. Cows off flat on to Hughes
THU 13  Mire-matted saps above stockyard, pulled up boards at cow shed door and
 Carted gravel from near Brown gate to fill up. Cows weeding. Wilson bonanza

FRI 14  Mire-matted potatoes from saps. Painter Olson came with flock of 122
 dipped some before dinner. He dipped Mainups after daggling them 116 put back
SAT 15  Put the lambs off Flat into fresh paddock of saps toward from 7. Del by
 Carted gravel from near Brown Gate to road - levelling entrance for car. Cows from Peter
SUN 16  A nice warm day, no one came except the Doctor for his daily visit
 Noon tea motored to Church. M^{rs} Wright. Afternoon to Ormond - usual chatter

MON 15

MAR

1920 Mr. Lee at 94 years passed out. Sam & Eva left wreath at house going past on 17th

Wrote at Chaffee, altered some. In the evening John Musker Reserve and Hills sheep picked out and put a few ewes here & there in small paddocks to fatten. Letter from F. Selby comes on Wed. Dayna goes by South.

TUE 16 Two fresh ewes from Gunderson's brought in. 7 lambs are brought there. Killed one of put 8 on paper with the ends, not much digging on the tin took 120 of them put 2 50 rams with them and back again on Gunderson, all fat. Attended big sale at Norcross, Jersey hinds fetched 218.5 and chance whether they are in calf or not. Breeding ewes 25p and 22p, breds 15p, to dip did not buy. Called at Factory, Vic. W. Thompson for Benzine and Change £5.00 3p, a can.

WED 17 Saint Patrick's Day. No snakes in Ireland. All hands but one gone to Harcourt Sports. Schwab's "Black" left at 8.15 AM. Man in Gun. Christy Masterson Grant & Kitch motorica. Eva's mare did well, although not taking a trophy. Man & Eva home for tea and then Pictures.

Arthur came here from school, here tonight. F. Selby came at 1.20. Fiches 156 lambs, price 25p, good lambs on Flat tonight. He rejects back on paper. He says they will be fit for him to take three weeks hence, when he will come. Find another

TH 18 Spread land of gravel in front of Chaffee. After dinner went with John with fat lambs 105 of ours, one put Mr. Granite took in Express, picked up 79 of them put the lot in Railway Station yard. Drove over to F. Selby's sheep yards & took 2 50 rams home in express, legs tied, full mouth, some good rams. Man in Allow.

Good rain last night and this morning. Put 4 50 and 2 Romney rams out on Back to 248 was rams branded B. Eva with a box Collecting for Children Home.

SAT 20 A wintry day, showers, cold breeze, dug out potatoes in garden. John & Eva D.


SUN 21 A lovely day after the rain yesterday. Rode over Dock, nice grass for both sheep and cattle, no church. John called and Mr. Kitch called, quit day.


MON 22 A fine forenoon, wintry evening. Dipped the 700 lb lambs 2 ewes and two lately bought 50 rams put lambs back again on paper. Mr. Todd paid £2.19.0 for lambs dipped and her shearing expenses here. John & Eva marking lands ewes.


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
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
Dec 31 st 1919.	266 lambs to Year Co at 21p	Pictua on 11 th Dec	279	6	-
Jan 30 th ¹⁹²⁰	A young cow - hair for soon after calving sold to W ^o Allen		7	0	0
Feb 7 th	Year & Co cheque for 102 lambs at 22p	9 was at 21p	127	5	0
- 26	Williams & Killeb sold 14 bales wool domestic base, regraded 144	W-27-9-3 = ^{all this regraded}	571	10	0
March 3 rd	Eight sheep sold. 3 to Mrs. 15 th £1-6. Four lambs 11/4 18/9 one ewe 7/9		2	9	4
- 9	Collective 4 7/2 8/6 Grant 5 2/11 Boyle & Co 13 5/11	Strong page	44	3	8
- 25	Thomas & Co cheque for 156 lambs at 21p	Deduct 1 W ^o Grant's part	193	15	0
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 A breezy day. Put 550 rams and 2 Romney out on ridges with 16 ewes. One of the ewes small and old. Worked at floor of chaff shed. Eva out gathering with box for "Children's Home". She & Mam at Concert tonight.


WED 24  Laid letara pieces at each doorway of chaff shed and some gravel. John rode to Makotuku Sale, nothing to buy. Salvation Lady called. Mam gone.


TH 25  Eva and M. Nichol motored to Ome then train to Takapanu then opening of Golf. home in Ciss Anderson's car. John bought 100 ewes at Takapanu Sale at 18/6. Brought them as far as Sander's yards. Worked at floor of Chaff shed. Eva Rec'd Lamb Cheque from Gear 70. 195. will for 150 lambs at 22/ 6/ each as usual.


FR 26  John got here with the 100 ewes at midday, ewes not big, all have good mouths. Put them on Midway, 50 ewes there now. 350 rams and 1 Romney. Put 16 ewes off Midway on to Back, 314 on Back, now 450 rams & 3 Romney. Mam with others motored to Dick.

SAT 27  A wet day. John got in loads of paper, killed a good ewe. Eva put in ^{years from sheep} garden and sledge in an hour to flower letara. Pictures tonight. John takes 195 to

SUN 28 Light rain now then. Mam & Eva at Afternoon Church. & Methodist at night.

MON 29  Rain in forenoon. John brought in express load of boards from Hughes he went to Sale and mare wandered away. Misses Coughley & Zinner joined, Mam Eva & Mam motored with them to Salvation Concert in Nordby's Hall, fine night.

TUE 30  Have found a tie up at Monument fence by some kind person. John got in horses and started to plough stubbles, Eva helps to give a stout. Finished securing one end of chaff shed to keep chaff from escaping. Allen, now

WED 31  Ploughing going on, double and single furrows, saw using latter. Shifted chaff on to floored end of shed, a few sack fulls left on floor nearby. M-Goyzinski borrowed 3 sacks of chaff, sent. L. his own is cut. Mikiyama Sports today, no one want from here, no event that Eva could go in for. This has been a good month for regular rainfalls, good feed in all pastures. There is a difficulty of getting frozen meat out of the country - want of shipping.

Good Business Rules

Make friends, but not favourites.

Be wary of dealings with unsuccessful men.

Keep down expenses, but don't be stingy.

Don't take new risks to retrieve old losses.

Don't worry; don't overbuy; don't go security.

Be cautious, but when a bargain is made stick to it.

Make plans ahead, but don't make them in cast iron.

Be content with small beginnings and develop them.

Stick to chosen pursuits, but not to chosen methods.

Don't tell what you are going to do until you have done it.

Keep insured, keep sober, keep cool, and be sure to keep

A pack of dogs to put on to a travelling seller or company, share-carrier; put them on to him and pull him off the place.

Expenditure for 1920

£ s d

1 st Jan ^r	Peter Johnson for shearing £ 4-10- Mackies for change ³	7	10	0
17 th " "	Williams & Kettle for woolpacks no 10-17-7, C.L. Nelson 11-10-8	22	8	3
17 th " "	Dimmick's Walker & Co ² 2-6. H.W. Smith ref. P.B. Grant ¹ 5-14-1	8	17	1
" " "	J. Mackie ¹ 6-7-3 Doyle & Co ¹ 1-3-7. Eva Richard Mackie Sport ²	9	10	1
3 rd Feb	Household expenses £4 - J. Mackie. For 7 th Feb monthly bill 16-6-0	10	6	0
9 th " "	6 rams bought off Whiorarapa Farmers. Co Op. Dannevirke	3	18	0
10 th " "	N.B. Loan & Mercantile Agency Co for salaries bought at Home	16	17	6
9 th "	Cheque to Eva which she took to Post Office Saving Bank	50	0	0
" "	Sub ⁿ to Dannevirke Agricult ^l & Past ^l to Farmers Union £1-	2	0	0
14 th " "	L. Adrian, cutting oats 4-2. (24 th) L. O. (Dannevirke) £1-7-0	2.5	14	0
25 th " "	Rent for Hay for Dec ^r 9-15-1 and Income tax £1-2-6	10	17	7
26 th " "	Cheque to pay M. Grant's bill £8. T. & S. Smith & J. Logan £1-	9	5	0
3 rd March	Some pieces of Drapery bought from Traveller at house	7	10	6
6 th " "	Loan Mercantile Co. L.L. Williams & Kettle £10-0-0	14	0	0
7 th " "	J. Mackie ¹ 4-7-2 P.B. Grant ¹ 5-2-11 Doyle & Co ¹ 4-13-5	14	3	6
16 th " "	Household Factory for Drapery & change £5-11-0	5	11	0
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Jan 10	To W. Somers for carriage of wool to Oronoiville	2	14	3
- 13	Paid to Eva	100	2	6
- 21	Paid Peter Johansson for shearing £2. J. Gustaf's handily	2	10	-
- 30	Donation to Gymskolan for Patriotic purposes.	2	2	-
Feb 1 st	To Williams & Kelle for Dip and goods - £4-6-5	11	6	5
- 8	Paid County Council rates.	19	4	9
- "	To C. L. Nelson & Co. repairs to Motor car. Bengine etc.	17	8	10
- "	To P. G. Grant for goods & Pyle & Co. do to 9-3-9 and 26-10-8	16	5	0
- 15	Hughes sent paid to State Advance Department.	9	14	9
- 16	Paid to C. L. Nelson balance on price of Motor car	285	-	-
- 26	Paid J. Martin's bill - monthly for goods -	6	-	-
March 1 st	To Hainarapo Farmers Co. Op. Assn. for cattle bought at sale	10	15	-
- "	To W. G. Gunn for insurance on house	-	5	-
Feb	Engelbrethens for harvesting $\frac{1}{2}$ and Gustaf's cutting out sheep	1	10	-
"	Paid J. Frederickson for cutting in hay and being potatoes	1	10	-
- 26	Paid to Mackin for goods £ 4 and previously 2 cheques for £ 12	12	-	-
Jan 20	Paid Peter Johansson for shearing lambs - 2 days work	2	-	-
March 11	H B Farmers Co Op Assn. Darnoviska for 28 lambs 3 Rooms	24	6	-
- 10	Paid W. Fairbank for rent of house	3	-	-
- 11	Lean & Mercantile Agency Co for sheep bought	20	2	-
- 17	D ^o for 31 ewes bought at 22/7 at Noravona	60	2	9
- "	J. Mackin & C. L. Nelson 4-14-6. W. G. & Kelle 18-1-7	28	17	10
- 23	F. L. Selby for 100 ewes at 21 a head	100	2	6
- 24	H B Farmers for case of Coopers dip	4	10	-
- 25	J. Bartlett saddler for repairs and stumps leather	2	9	-
Apr 7	Anderson Co 1-19-3. P. G. Grant 15. J. Mackin 3-10.	18	-	-
- 23	Robert Tomlinson & H B Farmers 4-10. Williams & Kelle 27-6-6	12	1	9
- 26	J. Bartlett Saddler for a horse cover	2	7	6

Receipts for the year 1882

		Rs	£	s
Jan 10 th	For 74 lambs at 2/6. 22 ewes at 27/6 bought by Mr. James Geor	106	2	0
" 21	Holstein bull sold by W. Farmans Auctioneer & Thompson	8	6	3
Feb 7	Bank slip proceeds of 14 bales wool sold by Williams & Kettle	374	5	1
" 5	Five sheep skins sold by Williams & Kettle Napier	3	7	1/2
" 12	Geor's Cheque for 44 lambs at 2/6	65	12	0
March 20	2 bales lambs wool - 56-15-9 on bale since regraded 18-12-11 this wool comes to 60-10-7 but 8 beams since comes to 66-0-0	54	19	7
" 26	Geor's Cheque for 210 lambs - 29 at 11 November at 23/6	337	3	0
April 3	7 sheepskins sold by Williams and Kettle	1	2	4
" 18	Geor's Cheque for 74 lambs, wooly 23/6. shorn 1/1	78	4	0
" 19	Williams & Kettle sold 4 bags wool and part Bank slip	8	16	7
May 10	Geor's cheque for 1300 3/4, 79 ewes 27/6, 33 weth lambs 22/6, 45 shorn lambs 19/6	208	11	0
" "	Will put in Bank to my credit, this was entered above	(218)	-	-
" 15	11 Lamb skins sold by Williams & Kettle £1. 14. 10 nett	1	17	10
June 16	Geor's Cheque 83 ewes at 2/6, 5 wethers 27/6, 38 cattle at 1/6, nett amount	120	19	6
" 26	Wm & K. Note for bonus on goods bought and dividend 1/2 and 1/2	3	9	5
July 4	Rec ^d from Evening News yearly interest on 15 shares 1/6		15	0
" 25	From Williams & Kettle for 11 skins	2	8	4
Sept 9	Mr. Forster's cheque for 25 for two loads of hay	5	0	0
Oct 3	Three bags seed potatoes fetched at Newmarket sale nett	1	9	6
Oct 9	Interest on Whakatapu shares 3-6-1. Dec 14 bag dead wool 12/7	3	19	8
Dec 24	From Wm & Kettle for 17 skins £4-0-0	4	0	0

For 1918 and 1909

No of Bales

Gross weight

SB		cut	gr	Tbs
1	2	3	3	8
2	3	3	3	5
3	4	3	3	25
	4	0	0	10
	5	3	3	3
	6	4	0	3
	7	3	3	14
	8	3	3	6
	9	3	3	20
	10	4	1	18
	11	3	2	22
	12	3	2	—
	13	3	1	24
	14	4	0	21
	15	3	1	—

Hogg^l

Bred

Bellies

Bellies prices

No of Bales (1920) and places

SB		
1	47	X BRED
2	45	"
3	55	"
4	52	"
5	52	"
6	56	"
7	59	"
8	56	"
9	57	"
10	57	"
11	62	"
12	66	Hoggals
13	66	Hoggals
14		Bellies
15		Pine knots, skins on
729		

Weights

cut	gr	Tbs
3	2	25
3	2	14
3	3	6
3	2	2
3	3	14
3	2	18
3	2	25
3	3	9
3	3	14
3	2	12
3	3	27
3	3	3
3	3	11
3	-	23
2	2	24
54	1	9

164 per 15

Deduct 57 - 1 = 11

Posters, same 1 - 0 = 0

56 1 11

Prices Recd:

25th Jan:

3 Hogg 16.

40 cov 15 3/4

Bellies 11 1/2

to be

regressed

lots later

Wool sold at 2nd Sale Napier 15th Dec 1915

58 3 bales fine at 16²
 - 7 bales x Bred 15⁶
 - 1 Ballee 11⁴
 - 1 judge 7

LAMBS 500 fleeces 2405⁵ net
 BALE #12 3 cut 8⁴ 25⁵

1 backpack of black wool

	St	cut	gr	lbs	Value
58	14kg	3	2	2	30
-	2 kg	3	2	16	51
Bred	3	3	2	13	
Fine	4	3	1	22	
Fine	5	3	1	18	
Fine	6	3	3	18	
Fine	7	3	3	19	
Fine	8	3	2	28	
x B	9	4	-	17	
-	10	4	-	17	
-	11	4	-	20	
-	12	4	-	22	
-	13	4	1	12	
Ballee	14	4	1	3	

Expenses continued.
 Wellington, the 5th 18th (Paid) 1st 6th 18th 0 for 12th 1894.
 Jan 2 1895 Content 1. J. Mackie 2-24 25
 - 24 25 Same Jan 4 Mackie 11-25 19-4
 Dec 8 J. Mackie 10 16 10 15-0-0
 - 18 Bantock, Darling, Richards 1-17-0
 - 19 E. Pringle 5-0-0
 - 20 W. Hill in Ross 1-5-0
 - 24 E. Pringle 2-5-0
 - 30 Same 1-5-6 Mackie 2-5-0 3-7-6
 Dec 3 1916 Backpack 5-55 3-4-6
 Jan 1st P. Selousden 1-11-0 6-31-18-9 for the year 1918
 Antonio elsewhere -

Wool for 1916

58	SALE FLEECES			cut	gr	lbs
	#1	60	x Bred Hood			
	2	61	Do	3	2	11
	3	54	x Bred Fine	3	1	22
	4	50	Do	3	2	6
	5	53	Do	3	1	26
	6	51	Do	3	2	17
	7	50	Do	3	2	14
	8	48	Do	3	1	18
	9	53	x Bred	4	-	7
	10	52	x Bred	4	-	19
	11	53	Do	4	-	6
	12	54	Do	4	4	12
	13	52	Do	3	3	17
	14	52	Washed	4	-	1
	15		Ballee	3	3	7
				36	0	17

Expenses continued.
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Expenditure for 1919

50 - 18 = 195

May 5 th	N. B. Farmers Fertilizing Co	5	0	6
6 th	J. Mackin	5	0	0
12 th	Church's depend ^{ts} to Eva Brabazon & J. Brabazon 189 3.	119	3	0
12 th	J. Mackin for manure, grasses, clover, traffic & oats ^{2.10-0.00}	32	0	0
23 rd	P. G. Grant 1/2 kg. Journal 2/3. Whakatu call for share	10	3	0
29	To Anton Bennett 7.1.6 for one and a half pig skins etc	7	1	6
29	Charge to square up Red's affairs £5. 2. 5	5	0	5
June 9	J. Walker for horse cover & collar	20	0	6
10	M. Nikolaisen for chaffcutting and wood sawing	7	0	0
14	J. Mackin 10. M ^r Dowell & Tover 10. Friday & Peter 5.	30	-	0
17	Pica P. Beharoon for mitching 1/2p. C. Parsons Music £10 ^{25th}	2	4	0
26	Pica John Geary charge	121	0	0
July 5	Pica Boyle & Co for goods 1 2-1 wood Insurance shed 1/2	1	10	9
13	C. L. Nielsen £2. 10-3. Gibbs our very man for fuel 1/2	3	1	3
24	P. G. Grant £24. 8. 10 Mackin £10. 4. 4. C. Parsons for timber 1	7	0	4
25	A. Brown for Benjini £8. 3. 0. M. H. Smith shavings 6 ^{25th}	9	6	6
August 1 st	Pica W ^m Whittle for cream separator & some goods	10	18	0
8	Pica Mackin bill £5. 5. 9	5	0	9
16	Sadder 1/2 12. 6. M ^r J. Mackin £2. 2 nd Day C. Parsons	18	7	0
29	Mackin S. N. B. Farmers Fertilizing Co 5 0 6 ^{1st 1st}	5	0	6
16 Sep	C. L. Nielsen £5. 5. 0 C. Parsons 24p. Boyle 23p. Mackin ^{27th}	9	5	1
20 th	Spent £80 cheese - Max down to Postmistress Geary	80	-	-
Oct 2	Pica to Eva to buy tennis racket etc	5	-	-
8	Donated to Flowers show 21 sent to Man Pakombai 21 9 6	2	9	6
20	Pica Mackin 17. 13. 0. Grant 5. 10. 0. Boyle 1. 7. 0. Makua 1/2	23	1	10
27	M ^{rs} Brabazon (at Hastings)	5	0	0
12. 19 - 2. 13		340	7	5

Receipts for the years 1915 and 1916

	£	s	d
Dec. 24 th Cheque from W ^m & Kettle. 11 bales 1 fadge sold on 10 th —	245	10	11
- 25 th From W ^m & Kettle Cheque for 200 fat lambs at 6 ³ / ₄ per lb.	209	1	7
Jan 22. 1916 From Williams & Kettle for 2 sheepskins	12	4	—
- 15. Longbarn Cheque for 48 shorn lambs at 5 ³ / ₄ and 26 shorn	71	4	9
Feb. 3. Lewis cheque for 56 shorn fat lambs	79	11	—
Apr 10. W ^m & Kettle's cheque for 2 bales lambs wool at 4 ³ / ₄ per lb.	83	9	10
A bag of black wool sold a few weeks ago	—	15	3
June 25 th Bale of crutchings 11 ³ / ₄ sold by W ^m & Kettle. Cheque	19	3	1
- 28 th Two fat cows sold at Makelaku - out	16	19	5
July 2 nd From Williams & Kettle, cheque and rebate on goods	3	16	—
- 10 th Faage of crutchings sold today 26 skins	—	—	—
- 20 th Canton Olsen's cheque for ton of Chaff delivered	15	—	—
- 12 th W ^m & Kettle's balance in Union Bank for 12 skins with	2	10	0
Aug - 27 th 11 B From W ^m & Kettle cheque for bales sold at Makelaku 22/6	43	16	3 ⁰
- 5 th W ^m & Kettle Bank slip purchase of fadge of crutchings	4	12	1
Nov 3. Robinson Agamoko for young bull	4	—	—
Aug 5 th From Mr. Gyloray for woolly lambs - extra	1	3	—
July 3 rd From W ^m & Kettle order for 4 skins & rebate on goods bought	3	16	—
September 15. Dr. Faage wool at 11 ³ / ₄ and 21 skins from W ^m & Kettle	7	4	10
Dec 22			
From W ^m & Kettle for 5 sheepskins	755	2	7
	2	6	3
	757	8	10



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