

I'm took the morn to Reading I spent the day at Jane Coopers.

20<sup>th</sup> May. Went to Henly. Miles with me. I & self had a ride to Newlands on horseback in the evening. Mrs. Bees., Mr & Mrs. Loxdale dined at Maidstone.

21. Met Uncle J Seacock at 8 o'clock at West Looe to set out some drawing. Uncle J Hunt afternoon went to B Stob. Little Lang very poorly. Mr & Mrs Terry & Bees called on their return from Maize that vs poor. Self & wife had a ride on horseback in the evening called at Mr Shackets, being coming warm weather.

22. Went to market a large supply (Mark Lane yesterday cheaper) trade vs dull and wheat 6 or 5% cheaper than other markets. We bought about 70 lbs. Mr W Shacket 15% at 114. 2 parcels of g. Gosling at 111/- and one or two other parcels from 100/- upwards.

23<sup>rd</sup> May 1847. Whit Sunday. Left Wif's family  
went to Swallowfield met their Wif & 2 children  
Brooks Wif & 3 children with Mr & Mrs Levy  
made the party went to Blundeston Kestrel  
did the duty well a very warm day indeed,

24. At home farming in the morning Mr Meek  
called to see him who was rather poor. Went  
to dine with the club. Morgan May dined  
at Newlands. In I left had a ride to Abingdon  
on horseback in the evening. Morgan May dined  
with us on his return, fine day but rather  
windy. Sold ewes at Bridgwater 55/- show  
lambs 34/-. 6 Geacocks bought 20 shillings at  
Bridgwater 42/- show 2 teeth.

25. At home in the morning afterwards went  
to Nottingham fair business doing. reports from  
market same markets very much cheaper.

26. Started at 5 o'clock drove the pony to Bishopton  
had a look round. Brooks & self afterwards  
went to Winchester to purchase the "Pilgrim" sheep

To be sold by Auction, looked over the other houses. I afterwards called on R. Simmons who went with me to Jas Simons' got lunch there & looked over his Brewery & gardens called then on Jas Wickham, attended the sale which was a very tardy affair. As I saw there engaged themselves to buy in some lots. W. Simmons came to the sale. Brooks & self were obliged to leave otherwise should have been late for train and commissn. R. L. to offer 600 £ for us but it was bought in at 700 £, returned to Boston and home afterwards all better at Boston  
Splendid weather,

27. at home farming all day. very busy bean hoeing. corn all looking beautiful. Edward & Jane Cooper came to tea. Dan & self had a ride on horseback to meet Mr & Mrs Lerg. Beppy Shurb who had been to Warfield to spend the day with Mrs Biggs.

28. at home farming all day. I myself had a ride in the evening round Barkham. I caught 3 Chub in the day with a fly weight & line

2 weighed 3 lbs each & the other 2 lbs. A Roberts  
came to fishing in the evening he supplied with  
us he caught no fish. W Wheeler still in attendance  
on him.

29. A tremendous storm of thunder-lightning  
in the night accompanied with a beautiful  
rain went to market. (I'm with me  
to think the day will have) a very large  
supply trade extremely dull and 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent  
cheaper in some instances 14 $\frac{1}{2}$  18 $\frac{1}{2}$  bought  
only 10 lbs of Tabb at 92 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

30<sup>th</sup>. I'm pretty did not go to church in the  
morning Uncle Aunt & self went to Abingdon  
W Sicked and passed W Hayes preached.  
all went to Bearwood church in the afternoon  
now Uncle & Aunt drove us home, W. Masters  
did the duty.

31. At home writing & farming all day John  
Martin comes to go to race tomorrow  
Tom May also came to Newbern for that  
improvement I drove I'm & little May to Newbern  
in the evening with the most beautiful

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weather com looking admirably, Chas & family returned from Swallowfield Sun flow. Hous 73/ Levers 68/  
1<sup>st</sup> June. Splendid money busy bear hairy drove I Martin to Wokingham in the pony chair. Wm from Newlands with Tom called for us in Newland carriage & two horses and took I Ph L Self on to race. very delightful weather & good sport. Ino Day won the Gold cup with the Hero, got home about 8 o'clock. Markets quoted 10<sup>t</sup> to 12<sup>t</sup>/ cheaper in Mark Lane yesterday.

2. Very warm weather at home fanning all day Bear hairy ss. Tom took the mow to Reading I Martin returns with her. Tom came down from Newlands. fishy caught nothing Arthur Roberts came in the afternoon. Chas Self came to tea. had a game of cricket in the evening Chas took pony gig into Reading to take the clerk to church to morrow.

3. Began Mowing Rye grass in Hometel with five men. Tom May Self went to Races itself drove us with White Stockings & Newland from Wheel. very capital racing. John Day won

the Emperors Vase with the Hero, Budle ran him in and was beaten only by a head. the weather very dry the road not as dusty as could have been expected an immense concourse of people.

4. St. Mowing, at home fanning all day. Tom fishy he dined at Newlands. We ave come to tea he rode on horseback with Tom & Self round arborfield he left us at Newlands.

5. Went to Market which was very dull but noted 2<sup>t</sup> dearer. did not buy a sack. Drove in the Market place opened a cheap meat shop and was selling 4 lb beef for 14<sup>t</sup> the price of other Bakers

all went to Arborfield church in the morning Mr Hayes read prayer Mr Tickel preached. we all went to Bear Wood church in the afternoon Mr Wilmet did the duty. Tom still going Mr Keele attending her.

7<sup>th</sup> June 1847. Lots show rent at Loddon Box  
at 5s. also two lambs 36/- each. at home faring  
all day. getting out dung and common ploughed  
for sward in Whites Close. Wife left rode on  
horseback into Reading to purchase a new slate  
for the parlour. we bought road shillings 1 pound  
cost 63/- called on Aunt Higgs who was pretty  
well but looking very thin on our return we found  
Mr Smith, (a nephew of Mr Waller) had come  
down to play cricket. Charles Beccy, Shuz. Ed & Sam  
Cocher came to tea. we had a good game & then  
supped with us. Uncle & Aunt went to Bstote

8. Began sowing Liverpool Sowels in Whites  
close a capital season a little rain had fallen  
in the morning. In my front. at home in the evening  
afterwards went to Wokingham rather busily.  
A jury was empanelled to assess value of property  
to be taken by Reading & Regatta Railway. the  
first case was Mr. Chellis of Sandhurst who  
asked 66/- for land & coverage on Ambergate the  
common allotment. Mr Keating was engaged to  
mark 1 Chambers for Railways the first gave

then they were aged 16

~~Wings with dead bull~~

who asked £ for 1 - 53 pole copse  
at Sandhurst (Harris) the jury awarded  
£120. the next daughter of Hammett  
lodged who demanded £10000 the jury  
gave . . . Drives, Trumper, & Cott  
of Surveyors & lawyers present. Uncle & Aunt  
drove down in the evening.

Aunt Sharp died aged 64

9<sup>th</sup>. Started at 7 o'clock drove blind pony  
to B Stots called at Swallowsfield found  
matter much the same. Tizard machine  
in a very unsatisfactory state sending  
out a great deal of Beer had a wall  
on the farm sent 20 shillings to Town  
Felters 39/- cost 35 in the autumn as lambs  
little Game no horse returns home in the evening.  
Uncle & Aunt went to Reading. Mrs & Mr  
his family came over in the evening. first mowing  
upland grass about 11 o'clock in 2 hours left  
further side all clover. In & little Mar  
both poorly.

10<sup>th</sup> June 1847. Wilkes & Bartleman went  
to Headings at home farming all day buying  
towing seeds in White close, we were  
going to dinner at G. Higgs but was prevented  
in consequence of the death of Aunt Sharp.  
a few months

11. Had a very bad night with poor May sent  
for Mr. Wheeler to come & see her her mother  
very bad. At home all day. Mr. Lenz came over  
to enquire after May buying young turnips in  
White close, <sup>turnips</sup> had 2 bushels & Jane Cooper had  
1 Lenz came over in the evening had a game at  
Cricket

12. This morning went to Reading market  
Chesher bought no wheat. May very poor indeed  
Mr. Wheeler came, carried about 10 acres Rye grass  
hay out of his horse fields, very fair order.

13. May much the same. Ein did not go to  
church in the Morn. Uncle Ann & Help were  
Mr. Tickel read prayg Mr. Hayes preached

a sermon for National schools we gave 2/6 each. all went to Bear Wood church in the afternoon W' Wilmet did all the duty.

14<sup>th</sup> A very wet morning May a little better at home writing & reading the morning. ~~W' Wilmet~~ called for us the evening had a game at cricket. W' D May dined at Newland. Rose flour 5 lbs to 73 Leonsas 68/- (Aunt Sharp buried)

15. Still very showery morning went to Moseley early to consult with Beeby as to his contract for the Union agreed to charge him 67/- if the markets got dearer 68/- if cheaper 66/- he obtains the contract at 9? Arthur Roberts came fishing. he caught a jack of 3 lbs apiece over a lb. and some chub. I went to Moseley at 12 did fair business. that I Bees came over in the evening had a game at cricket.

16. Drove home to Swallowfield W' Tery took me to Bishope. Spent the day with W' S. Clarke and drove Atkins to Ellifield to see a property

of Dickens saw Holdij upon it he had given the fire to Nichols. a very wet day Charley came from Mr Bedingfield's school returns in the evng May better. Uncle then went to Reading

17. I & Nethers went to Steyning Regatta dry & therefore showey not very busy market 6/- cheaper. I m came to Reading Tommies home with me in the evng. Landed £1000/- in Measons.

18 At home farming &c all the money Uncle took a dose. w.

19 Went to Market which was well supplied 1/- 4/- 5/- per cwt cheaper. bought no wheat but 10/- per bushel for grocery at 35/- Oats at 35/- Uncle did not come. Anna & Delf rode on horseback up to Newlands in the evng & to Arborfield Uncle better,

20<sup>th</sup> June 1847. All went to Blundell M<sup>r</sup> Hayes ~~had~~ prayed. Mr Tickel preached. we all went to Bearwood church in the afternoon Mr Milnes did all the duty. Still showey weather.

21. A dull dry morning endeavoured to take up a quantity of hay began in New Hils I carried about a dozen loads when a shower came on & slopped us. Joseph went round to sink flour houses to 68 Leasons 63/- Chas Bees. G Fullbrook, Bartinew, Nethers, Wells, William & Thomas Bridges came over & had a game at cricket. Uncle came down had a bad cold took all the fanning evens. 50/- Weat & Barley coming out in ear very fast. I m & Aunt went to call on Mrs Conroy. Lady Alicia Conroy & the Hayes;

21<sup>st</sup> Fine morning carried hay out of New Hils in pretty fair order. I went to Wokingham not very busy left there at 1/2 past 3 and went to Reading, Mr C Stephens drove W L & B blinds Chas & myself down to Pangbourne for our establishment (Bank) to have a match at

icket which had been some time pending  
we played in Pangbourne Marsh ground not  
very good. we got there about 1/2 past 5  
John Bartholomew had got the stump  
up & every thing in good order. C Stephen  
& Morris went in first. J H Bartinew  
bowled. they got 40 runs before we put out  
them I caught C Stephen out and we  
soon disposed of the others for 8 runs.  
J H Bartinew then went in and got 9 each  
that had bad luck and we only scored 31 in  
the first innings. they then went in again  
and only got . we soon got them down  
J H Bartinew went in again, but I was  
bowled for only 1 run. that then took the ball  
and was playing very well indeed when the umpire  
drove the stump. we had only 26 runs to get  
to beat them and 6 wickets to go down, but  
it was arranged that the first innings should  
decide the match if the game was not  
played out, and therefore they were declared  
the winners. we then retired to the  
Elephant (Mr Keates) who had provided  
a capital supper and we all enjoyed ourself

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very much I got home to Linsam at  
1 o'clock. I'm had been to Swallowfield.  
we had some showers in the evening which  
interrupted our play.

June 23. Went to Swallowfield in the Morn.  
Mr Levy drove me to B Stoke not very busy  
show. Price who built the chimney engaged to Collyer  
came down & reported that the building was in  
no danger of falling but that he could put it  
upright. Engaged with him L Thompson to do  
so for 10 t free of all charges. Beer &c  
agreed with Mr Holdings as to the purchase of  
Dicks place at Ellifield for 500 t. carriag  
which was injured but not shordl. I dined  
at Newlands not Miss Lane. bhas Lane & wife  
& Miss Bascom. Began Mowg Meadows.

24 Very showy weather left off Mowing. New  
truing hedge & horses could not work on the  
land. at home all day. Morgan Me, came  
to dinner & fishing caught L. All. Jack.

25 June 1847. Shlo showers. Uncle Amel & Miss Conne. went to BtHolt. Got home all the money sent two teams for chalk. Went to Reading took him with me to meet Mr Flint to settle Bills byth he came paid up his Balance & returned to London by the next train. Chas & T Jerry came from Ball to stay at the Box we all dined there.

26. Went to Reading. market is dull and about 5% cheaper. we got oats at 32 Beans off bought no wheat. Uncle can to Reading. Mr & Mrs Biggs joined our party at the Bank at dinner rather more favourable weather turned clover in lot house field

27. Went to church. Mr Lickel read prayers Mr Hayes preached. we did not go to Bear Ward Church. in the afternoon started after

Peek corn  
Gallow do

was here  
on all

July 1<sup>st</sup>

28<sup>th</sup> June 1847. Began mowing again in  
Gt Meadow. carried a little hay out of  
Gt home field in very bad order a slight  
shower came & stopped us. Self Wife &  
children went over to Wollstone to see  
John Sharp & family his corn looking  
admirably

29. Fine Mowing took up the clover hay in  
Gt Home field also the Mill Mead & 2 load  
out of Gt Meadow. Went to Mokinham  
not very busy. Chat. Wife, the two Lergs  
came over to cricket. Mr Lerg & Cooker also  
came. Uncle & Aunt came down & Miss Lane  
to tea.

30. Very busy haymaking did not go to  
B Stokes carried hay out of Gt Meadow in  
beautiful order. Jim took the hay to Ready

July 1<sup>st</sup>. Splendid mowing. Joseph took the  
hay in to go to Henby I brought the two Lergs  
& Charles back with me in Charles' carriage

John Biggs. Wife & chil came to spend  
the day. I B myself played cricket before  
dinner the others fish, Chas & wife brought  
the pony chair home in the evening we all  
played cricket in the evening carried hay out  
of Gt Meadow.

2. Duke Money finished carrying hay out of  
Gt Meadow, Charles & party came in the evening  
had a little cricket.

3. Went to Reading drove Peacock. Much  
came & bought Emma. a very dull Market  
Meat for 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  cheaper did not buy any. we  
sold. stale & black back at 46 $\frac{1}{2}$ . w<sup>y</sup> middling beef  
at 50 $\frac{1}{2}$  and oats at 30 $\frac{1}{2}$ . attended a meeting at  
the Bear Reading Races. Dr Downshill in the  
chairs, carried hay out of Cat Mead all but  
two loads. T Harman Drw. came down in  
the evening. Peacock dined with us

4<sup>th</sup>. All went to Arborfield church in the  
morning (Mr Tickel did all the duty) and to

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Beech Wood church in the afternoon I  
had a walk to Newland farm in the evening.

5<sup>th</sup> very fine morning indeed carried the two loads  
out of Oak Meadow and finished a beautiful  
Rich at Linslade Hatch. carried all the hay  
out of Old Meadow. Philip & Arthur Roberts came  
fishing. I attended a Meeting at Hustle Church  
relative to Bates charity. W Cameron in the  
Chair there were about 7 present. we agreed to  
accept the offer of 55£ per annum & the house to  
be put in thorough repair for a seven year lease  
and also to Borrow 300£ to put in repair  
another house & to pay off the bad score  
which debt had accrued in consequence of the  
tenant Bolter without paying his rent.  
H Walter came down Charles & party came  
over we had a good game at cricket. Uncle  
& Aunt came down. Markets in London quoted  
8<sup>d</sup> Chester for wheat.

6<sup>th</sup> at home farming to all the morning. W Gane  
came. Miss Barclay went with me to

Wokingham not much along drove him  
to Newlands on my return about ten then  
met. Mrs. W. & her 2 sons & the two others carried  
hay out of Loddon Bridge meadows and Sufolk  
seed out of Measands.

7<sup>th</sup> Awoke by a tremendous storm of thunder  
& lightning with a beautiful rain which  
continued till day light. the corn was a little  
knocked about. drove the pony to B. Stots  
found the storm had been more violent there  
but did no damage. S. & I. man doing  
smelling to the Tackle. Jas Philips came down  
to the brewery. W. came down at 11 o'clock.  
Returned in the evening. I. went to Reading  
with Uncle & Aunt. children at the Bant  
had got chicken pos. also little Coopers. Uncle  
called on Sir J. Courcy. carried no hay (finished  
all the morning about 12 o'clock.)

8. At home all day. W. & Bartimus went  
to Henley. carried hay out of Loddon Bridge Meadow  
finisht them & cleared the river. Uncle & Aunt  
went to Sandhurst. Mr F. Pyott of Fleetfiel

8<sup>th</sup> July 1847.

came forward as a candidate for Reading

9<sup>th</sup>. At home writing &c all the money  
began hoary Saturday in White's close with  
5 men a very good plant carried hay out of  
the further more John Sharp, wife & little girl  
came to spend the afternoon. Chas. W. & two  
Lergs came we had a game at cricket in the  
evening. Much went to a cricket match at  
Bramshill between the Zingari club from London  
& the Bramshill the were victorious by  
nickets

10<sup>th</sup>. Went to Reading a very small meeting  
which was 3<sup>rd</sup> clearer did not buy any  
Russell & Chelsea on the conservative & Galford  
& Pigott on the liberal side were both canvassing  
all confident, finished carrying all the hay.

11<sup>th</sup> July 1847. All went to Arborfield church Mr Tickel did all the duty & the Haysis from home. Mrs Self did not go to B Whalley in the afternoon Mr Tickel and did they brought Miss Bacland down on their return she drank tea with us Had a walk to Newland Farm in the evening.

12<sup>th</sup>. Very fine hot weather at home farm so all the money drove him over to Lively in the afternoon had a good game at cricket there butz having succeeded in Whites closer.

13<sup>th</sup> At home in the morning. Went to Wokingham did fair business. Mr Cottrell. Price I have dinner with me. That Mrs & Co leather came over had a good game at cricket extremely hot. got home new boat purchased at Henry & Morgan May cost £713. 6.

14<sup>th</sup>. Drove him to B Stok in the pony chair butz then Ligars man down. Price for London & Thompson of B Stok put the blinds

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upright which she did by saw cuts. She began at 5 o'clock last evening & finished at 12 to day. I contracts with them for 10 £ for the job returns home in the evening extreme hot weather.

15. Went to Slend with Withers hired a horse & chariot from Wilkins'. not very busy corn looking beautiful. Chas & Beppz with the children dined over the evening buty hairy turnips and sorrow green round turnips in 12 acres.

16<sup>th</sup>. At home faring so all day, sowing turnips in 12 acres. Mr Smith & two cousins came fishy they dined with us. Chas & Beppz came over had cricket in the evening. Uncle & Aunt went to BStk and round by Adair on their way home. very hot weather.

17. A tremendous storm of thunder, lightning & rain which commenced about three o'clock and continued till ten the lightning extremely

vivid for day light. Isaac Cooper a  
boy about 14 yrs old was standing near  
the door of the stable at Linslawn Stable  
was knocked down but miraculously  
not hurt. The cow very much laid  
I went to Newlands before going to Reading  
but Uncle had gone to Sir Howards  
I went to Reading very dull market but  
rather dearer bought no wheat Wm  
Scott came in the evening to spend a day  
or two at Newlands.

18. Went to church. Mr Lickel did all  
the duty, went to Bear Wood in the  
afternoon Mr Milner did all the duty  
Uncle, Aunt, W Scott & Miss Barlam  
came down on their return, named wife &  
children on the water in the evening.

19. Started at 4 o'clock in the pony chariot to  
Swallowfield. Mr Jerry Self & Cosher went to  
Berkshire Fair, breakfasted at 13 Stokes on our  
way, changed horses there drove at Tow he was  
very well, a very short fair number estimated

19<sup>th</sup> July 1847.

at 20000 less than an average price higher  
than ever known. Wm Penn of Freefolk  
sold his 100 ewes & 100 lambs for £60 to 6/-  
Mr Wicklow sold all his lambs. 300 at 31/- and  
refused 39/- for 200 ewes. Mr Lox bought  
Harris lambs of Park Priest 80 at 36. He  
bought for B'stch 170 lambs of Hidcote Mead  
at 33. Barton Compton 34/- Hobbs bought 3  
stock ones for us. 5/- each. we dined at B'stch  
on our way home. I'm dined at Newlands.

20<sup>th</sup> at home in the morning afterward went  
to Wokingham rather busy. Wm Cane came in  
the morning. Uncle Aunt, Wm Scott. bhas Bessy  
came to tea. we had a game at cricket  
some turnips on this side 12 acres after Suffolk  
(2 acres married)

21. Wm Scott left, at home all day. I'm went  
to Wokingham took Miss Barlow & the children  
Miss Stewart & Miss D. dined with Mr John Cane  
& Mr Smither came fishing had no trout.  
bhas Bessy & black came to tea we had a

game at bucket. & Cooper. Jane & Mrs  
Terry came over in the evening.

22. Blighty dull weather at home during all  
the morning. Uncle & Peacocke came down. Self  
& wife went to Maidenhead down White Stockley  
dined with Mr & Mrs Terry met there. Misses A. & Jan  
& Mr Terry. John & Mr Biggs & all their own  
family had a pleasant day got home & passed  
10 o'clock. Lucy snatched in Measom.

23. A severe frost for the season... had only one sack  
of wheat in the Mill to grind at 8 o'clock AM  
Mustard seed in 10 lbs. at home farms  
all the morning. Uncle Aunt Bhat & Bessie  
came to dinner with us at 1/2 past 5 off a  
shoulder of venison sent by Mr Atkins from  
Blackwood Park. very good fat.

24. Went to Market Day with me a very  
large supply. extremely dull bought 24 lbs  
of Wheat of Bessie at 7 1/2 weight (?) also 10 lbs

24<sup>th</sup> Aug 1847.

72/- (D). sold 10 lbs Beans 55/-  
Proclamation for new Members for the Borough  
very fine weather, had not a bushel of Meal  
to grind in the Mill and out 202 Sacks of Flour  
276 Sacks Meal.

25. All went to Church Mr Lickel read  
prayers Mr Hayes preached. went again to  
Bear Wood. Mr Wilmer did all the duty.

26. Jim Morris went to Reading Fair  
did no business. Mrs Bess came over in  
the afternoon. Chas & his man George played  
Poe & May we got beaten, they got 15.  
me 12. He scored 9. Withers came in the  
evening. Jane the cooper called, market in  
London 5/- cheaper to day. Lunkt the flour  
flours 5s. Leconas 5/-.

27. Wm Lane came early as Jim Morris  
faring ill. I went to Wm Hylton McCall  
accompanying me to pay Robert's Bill  
Wm Hylton <sup>in Miss Steven's</sup> enclosed will me at  
the Bush did little business. Chas  
Bess & Withers. I think come on their

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was to school. I Biggs. & I Lerry  
came we had a good game at cricket  
Rev'd T Mores brought his family.

28<sup>th</sup> July Started early went to Swallowfield  
Mr Lerry drove me to Btstoke not very  
busy at the Bazaar. Settled with Barton  
for the Lambs. I Martin came over to look  
for some deer. succeeded in finding some  
of them at Mr Lambs he dined with  
us & intended returning by the last coach  
at past 6 but it had been taken off the  
road ~~so~~ we all three rode home in Mr  
Lerry's carriage. I wish my back to the bone.  
Uncle went to Sandhurst & settled with  
Mr P Lerry. I'm took the Btstoke Boys  
to school at Mr Bedingfield. John for  
the first time he appeared delighted to go.  
He dined & spent the day at Miss Lerry's  
& Cooper began reaping

M'Walter of

Bear Wood died

29<sup>th</sup> July 1847. Extreme warm weather.  
at home all the morning nomination at  
Reading. Wife self & Aunt drank tea at  
Mrs Stewart's. Mr & Mrs Ball there

30. At home faring in the morning Mr Ball  
came down & had a walk with me went to  
the election at Reading we all voted Russell  
Chelsea. St. Riga & Salford returns. Blues  
beaten by stupid inconsistancy of some of their own  
party, came home to tea and drove up to  
Newlands in the evening. Began reaping at  
Newland & Arborfield Farm.

31<sup>st</sup>. Began Reaping & Mowing Barley at  
Linslawn. Due miles of wheel. 15 a cut of Farm  
Barley. Went to market a very large supply  
brought 70 lbs average 62/- for seconds market  
written 8 to 10/- cheaper. Riga & Salford  
chance

Dear Friend

1<sup>st</sup> Augt 1847. very warm & beautiful weather  
for the harvest. All went to Arborfield church  
Mr Hayes read prayers. Mr Tickel preached  
Sacrament none of us staid. we went to  
Bear Wood church in the afternoon Mr Wilms  
did the duty.

2. I drove Mr Ball to Reading to go by  
the 9 o'clock train to London. I went to  
receive dividends. Sirs Linnells & Ford, went through  
Smithfield which was immensely supplied with  
Beasts & sheep. I bought through fat bulls 100  
Spanish which were shipped from Hamburg  
at 22% expense - 1/6 they were generally in  
good condition but looked so thin & bad from  
the voyage & fasting that the butchers would  
not buy them. went to the cow market  
which was in a wretched state in consequence  
of the large supply of meat & flour from abroad  
and the very fine weather for the harvest at  
home, did scarcely any business was doing  
& the market was written 10% cheaper. no  
hog rearing in Dace hills & 17 acres.

3<sup>rd</sup> Augt 1847. Very warm weather busy Reaping  
carried Barley out of 16 acres behind the cottage  
the best crop every remembered. Average about  
5½ lbs to the acre (very bright) carried about 4½  
acres. Gave to Wetherby. Mr & children went  
to Reading and round to Swallowfield. Mrs. Mrs.  
& children came in the evening. Mr. Mr. & Miss  
Caroline May from Faringdon drank tea at Newlands  
nomination for the County of Abingdon. three  
old Members returned.

4<sup>th</sup> Very fine morning, carried Barley out of  
15 acres. very busy reaping. Mr. Martin came  
fishng. ~~I. Martin came fishing.~~ I Biggs  
Mrs. & child. also Jas Kilcat came dinner at  
1 o'clock. Mrs. & Mr. Terz came after  
at 3 o'clock - to have a game at cricket. Mr. Mr.  
Terz & Kilcat played. Mrs. I Biggs & Mr. Martin  
and beat them twice. had a good game.

5. At home all day busy harvesting. Reapig 10 acres  
Mr. Bartinor went to Henley. (Poor Mr. Walter buried,  
wet in the afternoon, drove Mr & children to Reading  
I called on Aunt Sligg,

6<sup>th</sup> Augt 1847. had rain in the night  
A good shower. hindered reaping a few hours  
finished carrying the Barley in 15 acres on  
this side the ditch. Uncle & Aunt went  
to Bostwick.

7<sup>th</sup>. Went to market (I'm with me) which  
was extremely dull but parties would not  
give up much. Mr. Bartons of Burghfield  
had new wheat. which sold at 72. weight

Mr. Hearn a parcel took at Thame

I Lubb at 64 purchased by Mr. Levy. may  
parcel of good new haye. I bought 15 lbs of  
old straw at 62/. 30 lbs seconds at 5 6/6. made  
a wheat sack out of old gun slides on staves  
at Linsay Hatch. they also made a sack  
at Newlands & Arbnfie.

8. Went to church Mr. Hayes did all  
the duty. we none of us went to Beams  
expecting the church to be so much crowded  
in consequence of funeral sermon preached who  
Pron Mr. Walter by Mr. Wilmet

9<sup>th</sup> Aug 1847. Wife self & children started  
early to go to B Stokes called at Newlands  
& borrowed little & wheel. met Phillips &  
Isaacs. to value machines he put up by  
Lizard. getting on well reaping there a very  
good crop. Miss Stevens staying there. returns  
home in the evening. finished carting 1st time  
hiles into a rick at Linslawn Hatch all  
but one load. made ricks at arnfield &  
Newlands.

10. A wet morning and continued drizzling  
all day did no carting or reaping. new  
long turnips in Measous market in  
London in a wretched state yesterday reports  
of failures in consequence of such depreciation  
in prices. Carpenter failed for the second time  
offered 8<sup>1/2</sup> in sh t. Miss Stewart Mr Hale  
& Miss Baudmont Uncle and Aunt drank tea  
with us Mr Lovegrove came.

11. Fine morning began about 9 o'clock making  
a rick out of 17 acres on 1st Staddle Linslawn  
Farm. Went to Reading Races. am with

me to Reading not much sport on  
three races a very good one for the Berkshire  
stakes which was won by Mr Britton's  
Marietta. a splendid day & very good attendance

12 Augt 1847. Finished rick on Gladde and  
carried the remainder of 17 acres into the Barn  
in beautiful order. began a rick out of  
water mead finished reaping all but a hand  
or two in 4 acres coppe. Mowing Beck with  
7 men on the other side ditch in 15 acres.  
11 acres. Went to the races very excellent sport  
a dead heat the first race between Moreton  
& Lechlade it was run again and won  
by the latter. a very good race for Reading  
stakes which was won by Dinklage Goodby  
Mr Bale Miss Barlow & I went with  
me to Reading I spent the day at the Banks  
of River at called on his way from Gloucester

13 Very good weather for the harvest finished  
reaping at Linslows finished making Wheat rick

13<sup>rd</sup> Augt 1847.

at S Farm out of Water Mead and one load  
out of 17 acres carries Moors Rye into  
Barn at Linsam Hatch, buts Barley carried  
at Newlands & Arborfield Farms. Uncle rather  
Ponky

14<sup>th</sup>. Fine Morning carried. Lancelot & Gravel  
1<sup>st</sup> peice. Talavera wheat into a rick at  
Linsam Hatch carried Barley out of lower deer  
stiles in Barn at Hatch began about 2 o'clock  
and took up about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  acres a very large crop.  
Went to Reading a very short supply at Market  
in consequence of farmers being busy at Harvest  
bought 20 bushels of New Meal of Slaughter of Shiffield  
 $63\frac{1}{2}$  weight also  $3\frac{1}{2}$  of S W May at 63  
for which they had refused several shillings over  
 $100\frac{1}{2}$  for  $5\frac{1}{2}$  of their tail at 53/ and 8 bushels of  
Englefield at 56/ weight. (2) very little doing at the  
Bank. went to see Uncle in the evening  
he was much better,

15<sup>th</sup> All went to church S May came over from  
B Stoke. Mr Hayes read prayers Mr Tickle  
preached, went to Bearwood Church in the

afternoon Mr. Wilmet did the duty. They returned home in the evening.

16<sup>th</sup>. Rain in the night. Withers came over in the morning breakfasted with us & went to Reading all up with Punnett who had been speculating in corn. expect a smallish loss. Only nearly all the drg. Turnips having sown Trifolium further side 17 acres. drove him in the pony chaise up to Newlands in the evening.

17. Very damp. but little rain could do no harm. went to Wokingham by bus. Self & Pipe drank tea at Newlands. Bhas Betsy & family there. Many buts turnips having. Sowed trifolium in four hills further side.

18. Rode the Mouse to B Stokes called at Swallowfield, by bus at B Stokes. Mr Attwood came & settled some business. returned in the evening. I went to Reading with Uncle & Aunt. And dined at Newlands. Morgan being there. did no harvesting. bought 10 Barrels of Indian meal of J Gorley at 19/-.

19<sup>th</sup> August 1847. Went to Henley with Withers a busy day. Unm payment, market shortly supplied us drags. weather cleared off in the day. Farmers bus at harvest we carried further side of 16 acres into Barn and part of 11 acres into a rick. Bhas & Betsy came over Uncle came down.

20. H. Simmons fur came to Breakfast and we started afterwards to Sandhurst to try for Blackcock. met Mr. Tress & Mr. Cane there. we beat the whole blow over and found only one which was dead considered to have lost its life by the hawks. Mr. Gibbons party killed <sup>more</sup> three birds. Aunt Uncle Emma & Miss Lane joined our party. we walked met at 9 o'clock walked till 2 o'clock. started again at 4 and beat 'till 6 where we got tea. the ladies enjoyed the excursion much. I drove the Wickham mare over in Geacock's cart. took H. S. Richard grub & dogs. finished carrying Bails out of 11 acres into the rick at J. Tress. and part of 4 acres Copse wheat into Barns at Sinden Farm.

21<sup>st</sup> Aug 1867. Went to Reading a consideran  
quantity of new wheat. Farmers want not  
give way in price which made the market  
very dull. Bought 17 $\frac{1}{2}$  New at 56. weight  
④ some old at from 63 to 53 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Stevens Blant  
court sold his new at 70 $\frac{1}{2}$  weight 13 $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs.  
Miss Terry of Warfield came over in the evening  
& bought the Miss Terrys to stay with us.

22. All went to church Mr Lickel read  
prayers Mr Hayes preached. all went to  
Bearwood in the afternoon. Dr Mattay did the  
duty. Mr & Mrs Ley came & went to church with  
us in the afternoon.

23 At home all the Monday. very fine weather  
for the harvest. Much I think drank tea with  
us.

24 Augt 1847 At home in the morn went  
to Wokingham. In & the Miss Lergs went for a  
ride round Barkham & Arford. Mrs & Mr & Dr Coote  
& Jane came over to tea had a game at cricket. I  
& William (servant) played & beat them.

25<sup>th</sup> Rode the Horse to Swallowfield to Meats.  
Mr Terry drove me to B Stoke Miss May's stables  
there, very busy Back cutting quality not very  
good. so I bought 25 lbs of Malt at.  
I may in attempting to get some Peat over the  
liquor Back slipped in and scalded his legs rather  
above the ankles. it caused him pain enough I  
hope to make him more cautious in future  
if it had been an hour earlier the liquor would  
have been boiling and the consequences would  
have been serious. returned home in the evening  
the Miss Terry's and Emma had dined at  
Newlands

26<sup>th</sup> Augt 1847. Very good weather for the harvest. at home all day finished faggots  
in Miller Peir a very large coop. The Miss  
Terry's Anna & little Nelly went to Swallow  
to drink tea.. lost a good man at Arborfield from  
feet.

27. Began threshing wheat with the machine  
at Linsay Farm cleared red out of 20 acres crop.  
threshed 10 bushels. carried oats out of Miller Peir  
Uncle & Aunt went to Boston. Miss Bacchan  
dined & drank tea with us. went to Newbury  
in the evening to meet R. Linnas whom we  
expected would have returned with Uncle from  
Boston. He did not come. had another Arborfield  
man it but with prompt measures we got  
her right again.

28. Went to Reading Market well supplied  
with new Wheat. bought about 70 lbs B&L.  
New from 60. to 52/- also 8 lbs Pease at  
2d/. Rob Linnas came to stay with us I brought  
him from Reading. in the afternoon, he & I took

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Mrs Jane Terry. Wif's little boy for a row on the water in the evening. Finished carting. made two good sized ricks out of Miller Peirs & Ryob.

29. All went to Arborfield Church Mr Hayes read prayers Mr Tickle preached. all went to Bearwood in the afternoon Mr Masters did all the duty. the same party had a little excursion on the water in the evening.

30<sup>th</sup> R Limn as rode the horse & I White stockings to Blackwater relative to title of Property to be conveyed to Reading & Regate Regt returned to the cottage dined early. Mrs S. L & Cooke came over to play R & I myself at bucket we beat them. The Miss Lerrys left us. I took them home & tramped thrashy wheat out of the copse with a machine at Linsam Farm. Flow about 5<sup>0</sup>/ Hous. 43<sup>0</sup>/ Leoras 38/-

31. Very fine weather at home all the morning R Limn as went with me to Wokingham not very busy. Worked yesterday in London

31<sup>st</sup> Aug 1847.

5<sup>th</sup>. cheaper. Uncle & Aunt came down  
in the evening. (All up with & Gosby) carried  
latternash clover. a nice little neck at Linsan Farm

1 Sept. I met Mr Tery at White Hall at  
9 o'clock. we found few birds then killed 1½  
brace then 2 does & 1 small young one. we  
then came to Arborfield and had good shot  
but killed chiefly old birds I shot well before  
lunch scarcely missing a shot killing 6½ brace  
of Birds and a doe. I did not touch a  
feather after and had 6 shots. Mr Tery shot  
midday he killed 2 brace & 1 hare. our score  
altogether 10½ brace of Birds & 1 brace of  
hares. I Martin shot with blas. the former  
killed 4½ brace & blas one 1. total 16 brace  
of Birds and a brace of Hares. Rob Limonas  
rode the Mounds with the latter party.  
The party at dinner. Uncle & Aunt Mr & Mrs  
Tery. Sam Cooper, self & wife blas & wife  
Rob Limonas & Col Martin. had a very pleasant  
evening.

2<sup>d</sup> Sep 1847. Took Dr Simonds or his wife home  
to Reading. J. D. Withers went to Henley not  
by boat finished threshing wheat with the machine  
out of 6 a copse 2 bushels. 2ds off of 13 acres  
a great crop of straw occupied 6 days with the  
machine. Henley Market 5/- per bushel  
Uncle & Aunt came down in the evening

3<sup>d</sup>. At home writing &c all the morning a  
little rain, water so short we can scarce supply  
our customers will flow, finished Bean cutting  
in North Grove. Had a ride to Newland & Arbury  
in the afternoon met Mr J. Levy & Michael  
they had been shooting at Swallowsfield. Uncle  
called on Sir J. Bourne in the morning afterwards  
went with Aunt to Marfield to see Mrs & Miss  
at school at Mr Bedingfields

4<sup>th</sup> I went with me to Reading. Wheat  
was shilling cheaper bought good flour meal  
at 50/- and second at from £2 to £7. a  
rather large supply. & I have copper slaying

21st Sept 1847

at the Bank water so short obliged to buy  
flour of Morgan May Leonsas 3/-.

5<sup>th</sup>: All went to Arborfield church in the  
morning. Mr Tickle read prayers Mr Flagg  
preached. did not go to Bear Wood in the  
afternoon Uncle & Aunt did and called on  
us afterwards. little Mary very poorly.

6. bhas. wife & Jane Cooper came over in  
the morning. the former & I went out shooting.  
Birds by wild had a great deal of walking  
he killed 2½ and I 6 brace & three hares.  
got lunch at Newlands. & Cooper came  
and dined with us. Brought the flour of  
flour 5½ flours to £11/- Leonsas 35.

7<sup>th</sup>: At home writing &c all the morning went  
to Wokingham. not very busy.

8<sup>th</sup> Sep 1847. Rode the Maud to Swallowfield  
to Breakfast Mr Terry afterwards drove  
me to BStoke. very busy there, returned in  
the evening. I had been to Reading  
with Uncle & Aunt, and afterwards drove  
over to Swallowfield.

9<sup>th</sup> Sir I hope came with the horses to Richards  
cottage at 8 o'clock drew the Combs, soon found 3 or 4  
Killer one. Mr Kitcham found 2 brace more. Scent  
very bad. Mr Stewart & Mr Soames came by appointment  
to Newlands at 11 o'clock relative to exchange about  
to be gone into with Mr Walter. Mr John Collett  
& Mr Price came to dine at Newlands.  
I went out shooting with Richard did very little  
he killed a least and one brace. carried the  
2 acres by Redbourn Beans which made a  
finist of harvest carting.

10<sup>th</sup> Sept 1847. Went to London with Uncle  
by the 9 o'clock train from Leyford went  
to Market which was 2<sup>d</sup>/dearer but was  
in a very excited state two failures of Sacks  
announced in the course of the morning bought  
160 lbs of Hand Russian. Bag & bag Wheat  
of Jones Son at 42/- returned by the 12 o'clock  
train Mr & Mrs Stoker & son & daughter Bridget  
Higgs came down with us. Mrs Stoker  
very poorly she had been to Brighton for  
change of air, Miss Barclay came down  
& spent the day with us.

11<sup>th</sup>. Went to Reading. Market not so  
well supplied several Buyers from Town &c  
among the rest Mr Carpenter who had just  
failed he bought a considerable quantity Market  
4<sup>d</sup>/dearer. I am came to Reading & return  
with Uncle. Went to Newlands in the  
evening to meet John Fayette & Weeks relating  
to a piece of land we wished to purchase  
which we succeeded in doing quantity estimated  
at Yards. cost £20/-

12<sup>th</sup> Sep 1827. John Cooper came over from Reading to Breakfast and went with us to Arbury Hill Church. Mr Hayes read prayers Mr Tickell preached, we went in the afternoon to Bearwood Dr Masters did the duty. I walked with C C part of the way to Reading in the evening.

13 Rose the flour shovels to £3/- Secondas 38.  
very damp mizzling rain all day. Uncle came down we went to Thrush to see property purchased late Round. A cricket match on Carter's Hill between Caversham & Arbury weather so unfavourable could not play it out.

14<sup>th</sup> At home writing Sc till 10 o'clock went then to Wokingham contracted with Beeches for flour at 35/- he got the Union contract at 53. Uncle & self went to Mr James' to meet Mr Stewart to negotiate the following exchanges which we succeeded in doing after a great deal of Bargaining and some considerable haggling.  
Mr Walter was in another room and the terms

so were taken backward, I found to him  
a treaty had been gone into between Mr. Walter  
L. Lee & Conway relative to the purchase of  
Piles Farm at Newland Green in fact it  
had been agreed upon; it was that Lee L. C. was  
to give two acres of Meadow to Mr. & Conway's  
and 1250 £ for 16½ acres. They afterwards worked  
out, and we made terms. we agreed to take  
Piles Farm. Radbourn. Hobles. Parkess. Blakes  
Cottage. Lee Sands & Rightly adjoining, and to  
give in exchange the land purchased of Targeto  
(district near the New Church at Linslade) bought  
on Saturday night last. 8 acres of land purchased  
of Round and adjoining Readers & R. Roileys  
2 acres by Keepers Lodge. rented by Targeto. a  
road from pond head through hill to Mole and  
to make up difference from 10 acres behind Break  
& Landeng ~~10~~ acres. Much Mr Stewart & Soames  
then went to put the value on the cottage.

Bridg's £. but Mr Stewart wished to give all  
in exchange for Cottage & the Mole occupied by  
Mr David, wrote to Mr Soames in the  
evening and sent it by Joseph stating his opinion  
that we would not gain at the cottage.

15<sup>th</sup> Sep 1867. Preparing little home field  
for Wheat. Scarifying sc. did not go to B Stoke  
Morgan May 1<sup>st</sup> Martin came shooting not  
much shot killed 5<sup>½</sup> Mav. Col 3 Left 2<sup>½</sup>  
M. M. o. bunches at Newlands. T Martin left  
here, I'm took the Mav to Reading. Uncle  
called on Mr Parker and on to Reading.

16. Uncle & Aunt went to Sandhurst. Col  
went home with Joseph as he took the pony  
to go to Henf. I sat home in the morn  
afterwards went with Deacock round Herts  
I went to Newlands in the evening to consult  
Uncle with regard to exchange of land with Mr  
Palmer. Cocks & Payne played a single ended  
match at Reading with 2 of us for  
the former were successfull.

17. Went to Wokingham to see Mr Goames  
relative to exchange of lands afternoon  
to Newlands. Uncle & Aunt went to B Stoke  
rain came on. Started to go to call on Mr  
Palmer but found he was in Scotland

went to Reading to engine after Bepsz.  
found that Tizard was expect in Reading  
to settle B Stoke engine affair came down  
to fetch papers change clothes so I went  
back. met Mr J S Phillips at the Banks  
and brought the matter to a close docking  
him off about 121 t.

18. Iw went with me to Reading. Market  
about 8<sup>o</sup> dealer bought about £100 £sd for  
Hans at 62/- 18 Leons at 5/- a short  
supply. vs cold weather

19. Fine morning rather cold. all went to  
Church Mr Lickel read prayer. Mr Hayes  
preacher. charity sermon for Berk Hospital  
did not go to Bear Wood in the afternoon  
much I amt did and called on us afternoo

20. Shew dog at Reading went to buy  
horses for B Stoke could not succeed a very  
severe thd shew. Iw went with me.  
C Seacocke came down to Breakfast

and we hauled Welsh sheep at S Farm  
selected two which he afterwards sold to  
Grob at 33/-, 113 stone races.

21. Fair day I went to Reading for an  
hour or two in the morning as we had seen  
of horses & cattle, brought the morg home  
and went to Wokingham. Much there  
he stabled with me and at 1/2 past 3 came  
called for him and they started for Brighton  
an impudent rain all the afternoon. Miss  
Berkeley went I returned with her from  
Wokingham. (Bolted Races.)

22. Got up with a bad head ache went  
to Swallowfield to breakfast Mr Lox  
afterwards drove me to Wokingham buying  
Bought the first Bach for the season. 10 lbs  
apple tree at 34/- 110 Penford a few grain over 3/-  
and 12. from Odham at 33/- returned in the  
evening. I took the morg to Reading  
had the wheats purchased in London home 2s  
weight 15)

23.. Went to Henley fair day market rather dull any short supply. plenty of wind rather hot. I'm went to Wallerfield. threshed wheat at Selsdon Farm with the machine thresh. 2ds. taking up Potatoes, drilled vetches in 17 acres in good season.  
(1 May. B Stokes confirmed)

24. At home in the morn went afterwards to Wokingham Agricultural meeting at Langley farm Dr Downshin president. Our shepherd Jas Welch got a prize for rearing lambs out of ewes. John Lowe for long service as agricultural labourer. Peiford & Chandler went to plough the latter got the 6<sup>th</sup> prize. afterwards dined at the Town Hall about 80 sat down to dinner Dr Downshin made a capital chairman & the meeting went off well. Mr Dolly & daughter came in the morn

25

Went to Reading a large supply of corn at market wheat 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ . to 5 chesher bought about 70 lbs. of Wheat 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ . 1st Barley of C West at 33/6 to be deliv'd at B Stokes & 3rd Peat at 48/-

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called on Mr Palmer on return from Reedby relative  
to exchange of houses w<sup>t</sup> B Wood for land at Thurst, also  
on Mr W Shaeffel bought a house of his for B Stoke at 47 £.

26<sup>th</sup> Feb 1867. Inself went to Bear  
Wood church in the morning Mr Hayes did  
all the duty and again in the afternoon  
Mr Beauchamp did all the duty, an arrival  
at the Bank at 12 o'clock a great boy  
afterwards named Thomas, ate mule,

27. Sharp white frosty mornys no fine  
weather water extremely short obliged to  
buy seconds of Morgan May. That came  
over and we went out shooting had capture  
short killed 12 brace of birds one hare  
& a rabbit. Has killed 4½ brace birds  
& a hare & the rest. Geacock came down  
to Breakfast set four men to grubby between  
Water Mead & Millis leas at Sumsom Farm

28

28 at home all the mornys afterwards went  
to Wokingham not very busy. It came

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over in the morning

29<sup>th</sup>. Rode the horse to Seaford fit to  
breakfast. Mr Levy drove me to B. Sloane  
very busy there. metted Bass for the first time  
bought about 100 lbs at from 32 to 38.  
returned in the evening. Mr had been to Rye  
all well.

30<sup>th</sup>. At home during the morning went  
in the afternoon to Mr Marthals sale at Bexhill  
it was nearly all over. all things sold very  
cheap. G Leacock bought a wagon at 5*s*.  
went up to Newlands with evening. Uncle  
Sam returned from Brighton and looking  
better for their trip, had a letter from Mr  
James relative to exchange.

Oct 1. Wm Cane came to have some birds  
shooting a very fine day. killed 5 brace  
of Pheasants and a brace of Hares. Uncle went

to Wokingham Mr Soames & Roberts dined  
with him arranged to let Mr Walter Lane  
Cottage & garden of Mole for the purpose of  
Plantation but no Building or erection to  
be put up.

2. Went to Reading Market 3<sup>o</sup> cheaper  
bought about 70 lbs of Wheat & Roberts  
& Soames came to get agreement signed

I attended to artific'd church in the  
morning Mr Lickel read prayers Mr Slages  
preached. Uncle & Aunt went to Beerwood  
in the afternoon and called on their return

Dr. Chas & Mrs Martin came over we met Mr  
Terry & Cooper at Whit Hall for shooting  
game & Terry Cooper came also & returned to  
London in Dras' carriage we killed 7  
brace of Pheasants at Whit Hall 1 Pheasant  
at dog kennel & a brace Sleddon Close

24 Oct 1847.

8 yds. 3 shares & 3 pair of Birds  
made up the bag. I did not see a  
single dead all day. Had seen most  
all joined at dinner and had a jolly day

5 at home in the morn. Hounds came  
to Mr Whebles found some cuts killed  
one could not go. Afterwards went to  
Wokingham not a bug. lost a stock  
ewe found entrails in river lower Soden  
Bridge Meadow offered reward 10 t £  
Wokingham Protection Society and 5 t £  
ourselves. Confirmation at Wokingham  
church.

6 Rode the Horse to Swallowfield to  
Breakfast Mr Levy drove me to Bletch-  
ing bus. There bought about 120 lbs wheat  
at from 33 to 36/- vs fair Barley's  
working well. Tom's leg bad. Weas died  
with us. lost 3 sheep yesterday from being  
blown eating Mustard. returned in the

6<sup>th</sup> Oct 1847

every a very wet one. I now went to Reading with Uncle & Aunt. return with them to Oxford Miss Steevens & Parkhurst dined there also. (Wallis clift the fence)

7<sup>th</sup>. At home all day faring writing to Uncle came down rather wet. Withers & Bastow went to Henley eight men grubbing between Water Mead & Miller's Pier. very short of water. a great deal of slop. Meet to quench

8<sup>th</sup> at home writing till 1/ past 12 then went to Reading to see Miss. shujs in queen street with regard to my mother in London failures every day. got home two during the 2 o'clock meal faring afternoons. I may dined at Newlands. (The Young)

9<sup>th</sup> A very over rainy went to market bought a parcel of Bacon of Mr Cook at 3/- bought about 100 lbs of wheat at first

54% to 64% some of it very good. My boy  
at the Bank Much road or horseback  
I got wet. And I am went to Lin &  
Conways R<sup>es</sup> women's clothes to be seen  
had lunch there. (a very wet evening). began the  
bank between North grove & Water mead. began  
ditching wheat in Duce hills. 1½ bush per acre.

10<sup>th</sup> Wet morning could not get to Arborfield  
church went to Bearwood the weather having  
lets up just in time Mr Wilmet did the duty  
went again in the afternoon Mr W did the  
duty in a very unprepared manner like I and  
came called at Lenton afternoon.

11<sup>th</sup> My first morning went to Farm Harrod  
new making ditch between North Grove & Shulz  
Pecis. & New grubbing between Millers & Water  
mead 2/b per pole. ditching & sowing wheat  
in Duce hills. has come to shooting with  
me has killed 3 Hares 2 Pheasants & 1 Bird  
I killed 1 hare & a brace of Birds one lost  
a brace of Birds & a Pheasant. On & children  
went to Reading. Much & Amul went.

Nov 11<sup>th</sup> 1861.

To A. St. John

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11 Oct 1867.

to B Sloke

12 At home all the money Uncle & Caleb  
came down we went to Sension Farm  
to set out ditch at the bottom of Watermead  
2 Miles here to make fence straight men  
ditching & grubbing. Fired up 6 Black Leifers  
and 80 Head dairy cows at Sension Farm  
for fattening. went to Wokefield. Money  
market in a sad state in view several  
failures consols 82 $\frac{1}{2}$ . not very busy Uncle  
came down in the evening.

13 Rode the mous to Swallowfield for  
Breakfast Mr Levy drove me to B Sloke  
Mr Barton had sent us 100 sheep purchased  
at Weyhill at 33 consols for 1'. 34 $\frac{1}{2}$ . oz  
buys at the Mewey bought about 100 $\frac{1}{2}$   
Sheep at from 33 to 33 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Miss Keller's  
from Amerlaw came to see a Brins  
nest dog Lizard Patent. I returned home  
in the evening. Morgan dog dined at Newlands  
consols 81 $\frac{1}{2}$

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Oct 14. big col money went to Hesby  
with Wethers not much dairy market  
for Wheat & Barley much the same.

Stephen had gone to Leeds. Morgan May  
bought a punt for us at Hesby at 9 t.

15. At home faring ale day. while  
Uncle came down in the money he  
afterwards went to Wokingham by bus  
ditchy grubbing to at Tunsbury Farm  
Water Mead & North grove, grubbing wheat  
in Duce hills. bought ~~the~~ 50 Sacks  
of Leicesters of Morgan May late Saturday  
sent for the last 25 to day.

16<sup>th</sup>. Went to Market. I am went with me  
heard that Abingdon Bank Knaphs' had taken  
payment which caused a little sensation till  
us some few came for £ors & B Notes. Market  
as usual bought 16 $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs of Wheat. 29 $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs  
of Barley of Clarke of Battle Farm for Bottles  
engaged Dearlove to take them at 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

17<sup>th</sup> Oct 1847. The day appointed for general  
thanksgiving for late bountiful harvest.  
all went to Arbroath Church where Uncle's  
letter had been read for collection for the  
Prish who were again said to be starving  
Mr Ticker read Prayers Mr Hayes preached  
and I think gave a shilling each Uncle &  
Self nothing. at home in the afternoon  
Uncle S and went to Bear Wood and  
called on their return.

18. Uncle S has went to London to  
receive dividends. my master in a woful  
condition. Foundas met at Bear Wood Lodge  
a rather large fox saw came on drew  
fox hills or to Buck Kiln copse where we found  
an old fox saw him to road as if going to Ballymena  
and back to Wood where we gave him up and  
found a cub in the Wood which after runs on  
here we saw to a drain by church found again  
in the booms but it how'd so well soon  
we could do no good afterward drew Kildrain  
Plant. came home with a good soaking. Aunt  
Miss Stewart & Miss Bartram did well as

19<sup>th</sup> Oct 1847. Drove into Reading early  
took Em with me get some deeds & hear  
news. which was not very cheering. Matilda  
Ley had arrived at the Bank the old people  
came back & went to Wokingham. Em  
went to Swallowfield to obtain "some  
shot." very busy at Wokingham. Chas  
& Mercer from Slough came over in the  
evening to obtain signatures to deed for  
borrowing money for Slough Union. (I have come  
to Newlands to stay.) Mr Harman called on us at the Hotel

20. Drove the pony to Swallowfield breakfast  
then Mr S afterwards drove me to B Stockbury  
busy there bought about 150 lbs Doz from 33 to 36  
it was reported at Market that Marlborough Bank  
had stopped but it was a ~~lie~~ some folks were  
kind enough to say we were all up the spout  
but time proved it was not so. Em went  
to Reading with Uncle. Sowed about  
9 acres of old home field with wheat a capital  
season. 2 bus to the sea.

Leake  
Newlands  
Mr. Davis  
Slough  
Certificate

19<sup>th</sup> Oct.

Took 2  
newt. w  
Lerz 1.  
Carr.

21<sup>st</sup> Oct 1867. At home farming &c ate  
dry wheat sowing in Pond Rigg & Newlands  
John Carr left Newlands. Mr D Macdine  
there. Witters & Battinew went to Heng  
metters rather pecunie but nothing particular.  
Mr Lerz sent in a bag and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of shot by  
S Cooper (gdt) (rot.)

22. Joseph rode over to Swallowfield to  
ask Mr Lerz & S Cooper to come & help  
beat White Hale & they came at 10 o'clock  
we beat White Hale Cooper found 3 hares  
of Pheasants but did not kill one bagged  
one at Robin Hood and three Pheasants &  
a hare at Wetlands.

23. Went to Market a very wet day bought  
about 50 lbs of Wheat  $2\frac{1}{2}$  pds cheaper also 2  
parcels of Baulk for 10/- one of Mr Dean  
of Caversham at 34/- 1 of Rice at 34/-  
my busg at the Bank.

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24. All went to Arborfield church Mr Hayes read Prayers Mr Tickell preached Sacrament all stood went again to Bear wood Mr Wickens did the duty.

25. at home all the many fairies  
ie Uncle & caleb came down we tied up  
two Black Heifers at Lonsdale Farm  
sent 10 Spanish sheep to Grafton to be  
slaughtered I sent to Town also we found our  
own entry which proved as good the  
10 weighed 7 Stone and brought home alsp  
30/- we also sold I found 2 Heifers  
Kittel at 17/- each cost last Blackwater  
fair 8/- & self & wife went to Reading  
to christen the boy at the Bank Dr Martin  
self & Matilda stood. Mr & Mrs Ley  
& Cooker & wife. Self & wife Col Martin  
& Matilda formed the party at dinner.  
I & wife looked into the New Rooms or our

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return home a concert Ethiopian Female  
Serenades.

26 at home all the morning Mr  
Cane & wife rode over on horseback went  
afterwards to Hockley Lane rather busy  
tried wheel in of home field. Matilda  
Ley came over in the evening to go to  
B Stokes to morrow

27. Borrowed the Newland 4 Wheel & took  
white stockings. Left & Matilda started at  
8 o'clock called at Swallowfield &  
took Mr Ley got ~~the~~ Basins to have  
10 o'clock. ate with Mr Attwood & two  
daughters there. Matilda went to see  
her brother John who was especially  
old and comif - as head of the brewery  
bought about 100 lbs Beer at 33/-  
returned home after tea very dark evening  
new found of Mr Stone cast no  
damage. Saw & Miss Barclay and

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our children dined at Newlands. a  
very wet evening after we got home.

28 at home faring all the morning  
finisled off at home first Maynard's  
Meeting. a capital lesson. Mr Cottrell &  
Reeves came over had a walk to Gainsborough  
Farm &c and dined with us Much  
came to dinner. had Sollyhob shod 3  
Horses. Joseph went into Reading 3 times  
Bertie & Nelly went to Henley.

29. At home faring &c in the morning  
hunting at Little home field. afterwards went  
with Mr Sturgis to meet the hounds at  
Finchampstead Ridges a rather large field for  
cub hunting. drew the ridges & Mr Gibsons  
covers. Palmer Plantations on to old Townshend's  
Caesar camp. Wycombe Bushed without fresh  
come back to Fleet at Finchampstead and four  
drives (3 o'clock) had a very round Wet Come  
See &c & back to Fleet or to Finchampstead  
Church and to Shepperton lanes where we found him  
ab

29<sup>th</sup> Oct 1847. Rode the rounds he carried me well.

30. Went to market which was pretty well supplied. Wheat 2' dearer bought about 100 lbs Barley cheaper bought 30 lbs of & Coope for £1. 3*1/2*. very busy at the Bank. Mr & Mrs L. Janey came from B'stch L Chas L Thw from Mr Bednifield came to stay a few days with us. dull little home fit with Robert (Magnus)

31. Our party all went to Bear Wool church in the Morning Mr May & Emma in the afternoon Mr Wilmet did all the duty. Uncle & Aunt were to arbitrate in the Morng & BW afternoon came down here afternoons. Boys & self had a row on the river very fine weather

Nov 1<sup>st</sup> very beautiful morn. Went with Mr Sturgis to Bramhall first day of meeting the weather being so fine brought an immense quantity of folks in carriages to the boating fit I ever saw. we found in the laundry where

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The earths sun. and ran for two hours  
we changed over of twice we shant have  
caught me but he snort his lip & runny  
to ground near where we found. Gid  
was then going home but was persuaded  
to draw again we drew Peat Moor. Hollow  
gorse I over to fiery mead where we  
found again scat my hat we had  
a ring round the cover & he took  
for the Heather through the gorse &  
on to Mattingly but we could not hit  
him and game him up beyond Shales  
cover. Uncle & Aunt dined with us in  
the evening. Joseph drove Mr May. Jancy &  
the Boys to Mr Bedingfield's.

2<sup>nd</sup> Nov. Bus faring &c in the morning  
Mrs May. Em & alc went to Reading to this  
the day I went to Wokingham not by bus

3<sup>rd</sup> Nov 1847. Rode the horse to Lowell  
to Breakfast afterwards rode with Mr  
Loring to NB & not quite so long there  
bought about 120 lbs Beef highest price  
33/6 returned in the evening. On M<sup>rs</sup> May  
Mrs Bancroft & Fanny dined at Newlands.

4<sup>th</sup>. At home farming in the day. Visited M<sup>rs</sup>  
in North Grove a capital deacon. Joseph  
drove Mrs M<sup>rs</sup> May to Waltham to call  
on the Sharps.

5<sup>th</sup>. Farming in the morning afterwards went  
to meet the hounds at the Warren house  
rode Lollypop a large fox drew Warrenhouse  
Cope and soon found the fox was followed  
away and we got a few shots till him  
through Bils hill path to the gate where  
we checked a short time then on to King  
H Cope where we turned and hunted along  
back to Bils hill where we lost him

we then went back to Cartes Lippis  
wood & up to the cover of Bilyngbeas  
house where we soon had several on  
foot. succeeded in killing one but the  
scent was very bad. Joseph drove Mr  
May & Daney into Reading to go  
by the coach. I myself drank tea  
at Mr Harman's where we saw two  
works now five sc. Mr & Mrs Sturys  
& family there.

6<sup>th</sup>. Went to Reading. market pretty well  
supplied demand good and wheat was 2 $\frac{1}{2}$   
dearer. Barley cheaper bought 21 $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs of  
flicks at 31 $\frac{1}{2}$ . flicks paid Mr Wm Shachel  
roast corn 30 $\frac{1}{2}$  for them. Got by boat  
them over at 1 $\frac{1}{3}$ . Tilly came from  
W Stow. that Lers came to Reading for a  
day or two, a wet evening finished strong  
wheat in North grove.

7 Nov 1847. All went to Arborfield church in the morning Mr Tickel did all the duty. All went again in the afternoon to Beerwood Mr Wilmore did the duty.

8<sup>th</sup>. Blackwater Fair. Much I celebrated  
bought 10 Heifers at 7-15. rather cheaper than  
the year before say 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  a very short supply. I  
went to meet the hounds at Farley Hill drove  
Mr Standish's covers. Russells Wood. to Moon  
Coke where we found went away through  
West Lanes Farley Hill covers. Park on  
to Mr Dickens' Toyfold down to the  
Sea where we lost him in consequence of  
heavy rains we then drove covers on to the  
fleet and did not find me then went  
home with a good soaking. Drove Sollypot  
during the run but sent him home direct  
we lost and rose. (cameleon) chameleon  
afternoon. (Maus)

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9<sup>th</sup> Nov. At home writing & farming  
in the morning. (W<sup>m</sup> Lunn came)  
afterwards went to Wokingham not  
much doing,

10. Rode the horses to B Stoke Millings,  
busy putting up new Rolls. breasted the  
two stgs before from Mall ground at  
Howlings Mill did very badly. bought about  
100 lbs of Bacon at first 30/- to 33. Rainer  
Wood Lunn traveler came down bought of  
him 30 Pockets of Kent Goldings at 85/-  
some very good 20 Pockets at 72/- and  
47 Pockets of Thackerel at 84/-  
Mr L W Nix steps at B Stoke has  
Wickham dined with us at the Brewhouse.  
Mr Tregg came down and we rode home  
together in the evening. I'm bound to  
Reading and dined at Newlands afterwards.

11<sup>th</sup>. Went to Henley markets and the  
same certainly cheaper for Bacon than

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B Stoke. not much doing.

12<sup>th</sup> Nov. A damp morng afterwards cleared up  
I went to Reading. Banbury. Bals. John  
Martin. Wm Lane. Mr & Mrs Lox came  
she to shoot Snares. they had few shot  
Killed 18 Pheasants 14 Hares. 2 Rabbits 1  
Birch & a Woodpidgeon. they all shot badly  
Grew rather busy at Reading. finished  
Wheat sowing in Radbourn Rly.  
(Mr Bale. twin Sons)

13 Went to Reading took in a little  
Maz. market well supplied and cheaper  
for Wheat 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Beef quite as dear.

14. All went to Arbnfild church in  
the Morng. Mr Pitman did all the  
duty with the exception of the communion  
service in a very uninspirin manner a  
most beautiful sermon. we all went  
again to Bearwood in the afternoon Mr  
Button read prayers Mr Weston preached

15 Nov 1847. Turned in the morning steamy  
manners from Linsam Hatch to do a  
Newland Green late P.M. afterwards  
set the hounds at the Bull Arborfield a  
pretty large field Uncle rode back home  
drew Hazeltown and on to Coombs where  
we soon foundt and ran there for some  
time it was estimated that we moved  
at most at 8 foxes we succeeded in killing  
one and then went on to Targett's copse  
but did not find afterwards to Coven  
behind the church through the Wood  
Coombs & Kilshaw but did not find. we  
then went on to Robin hood where  
we found and after a ring or two  
round Lark hill the went away for Kilshaw  
when we killed her a thin lipped wicker  
the scent was good and the hounds ran  
hard. Mr Buncorb. Son & Mr Cuff  
came over (walked) to see fat hogs at  
Linsam Hatch. (by short water)

16<sup>th</sup> Nov 1867. At home farming & writing  
in the morning afterwards went to Wokingham  
not very busy. Uncle and Emma went  
to Maidenhead the former to see Mr Smith  
the lawyer he was unfortunates from home

17. Rode the mare to Swallowfield  
breakfasted at home Mr Gerry rode on  
horseback to B Stoke very busy there bought  
nearly 200 lbs of Barley average 30%  
returned home in the evening. Emma & children  
had been to Swallowfield.

18. At home writing & farming all day  
we dined at Newlands in the evening  
met Mr Wilmet & Miss Barclay had a  
very pleasant evening. Weather very dry and  
water short

19. Redrid & Jane Cooke came over the  
former to have a walk on the farm & home  
some shooting we killed 3 Hares 2 brace of  
Pheasants and a rabbit found a couple

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of Woodcock on Cornish farm but did not  
get one. a very sharp frost in the morning  
very heavy draining in 2 acres newland green  
and grubbing hedge round 6 acres. Uncle  
went to Maidenhead Mr Smith was  
from home, but he accomplished his purpose

20 a very severe frost. Edward & Jane Cooper  
left us early. went to Reading. Market  
much the same I bought not wheat  
only 15 lbs of Barley of Edward Cooper to come  
to mill for grinding at 30%. Engaged with  
J B Boyles of Henley to make some malt for  
us for B Stoke at 4%. for Dr. Uncle came  
to Reading. Many markets in queen street

21 A fine morning all went the arbofet  
church in the morning. Mr did all  
the duty. went again to Bear Wood in  
the afternoon Mr Wilmet did the duty

22 Nov 1847. Fine morning teams bogs following in 2d drove slides 4 horses each. Went to meet the hounds at Risby Hill a large field drove holloways gone. all the Marshalls came Evelyn Wood and over to Linstead drew Stephen's hounds. See covers Wypole's and did not find a fox all day. Self & wife went to dine at Swallowfield to commemorate Wedding day the party consisted of our own family & Miss & Mr Downing we got home at 12 o'clock.

23. Showery morning at home writing to afternoon went to Wokingham not very busy.

24 Rode the Mouse to Swallowfield to breakfast Mr Ferry afterwards drove me to Bostwick bought about 100 lbs of Bach at 30% quality pretty fair had Bostwick for 10.5 cwt which he had bought for us at Andover fair the Saturday before

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37 $\frac{1}{4}$  each all but 1 t in the lot. they  
are expected to lamb about the middle  
of Jan. W<sup>m</sup> Lane, wife & 2 children, &  
Mr Warner dined with us at the Phoenix.

25. Went to Henley to arrange about  
malting there agreed with Riggs to buy  
for us he bought 12 lbs of M<sup>r</sup> Gary at 32.  
12 Shax at 31 & 50 lbs Workman 31 $\frac{1}{4}$  quality  
altogether not so good as could be wished  
minor payment due at the Bank and  
we were very busy. I may come from Boston  
in the evening to go out hunting next day

26. At home farming to in the morning after  
went to meet the hounds at the Bull Barkham  
a pretty fair field (but several had gone to meet  
Lord Parkers hounds at Steeple the South Berly  
had given him a dog they had no sport) sick  
the not out. we first drew fence opposite rocky  
nest on through Nash's plantation and to Bolth  
coper where we found he broke away for his  
house on to Nash's Plantation across the Com

where Sollypot stepped into a rabbit's hole  
or runs and gave me header I lost him  
for a short time Robert caught him for  
me. we then went on to the fir plantation  
across the nine mile ride but he soon came  
back having his head for luckily crossed the  
road near East Leath house or to Bottes  
cottage where he skinned and was making  
his way for Barkham but we ran into  
him at Tole's Barn after 35 minutes  
without a check the scent was very  
good and the pace severe we then drew  
commor by fox hills. Back kilo closer avenue  
to the bluebell wood without finding  
we then went to the cowpits and in poor  
allotment we found the scent was so good  
that we ran into the animal in the  
cowpits in 10 minutes we found that it  
had been caught in a trap and its toes  
injured. we then trotted off to stream  
Whit-hole which we did blank and on  
to Robin hood where after the hounds had  
been in 10 minutes we found a regular  
vicious one at Robert pronounced him

he broke away through long copse through winding ground into West Somers starters Castle Copse and across for Well Wood turned to White hall and across to Longmoor at if for Linchampstead blund but turns over Longmoor pond head across Rooks well Farm to Barkham square through Kleton to Biggs's Farm across Langley Common Targets farm nearly to Arborfield Elements Farm Sandy Ridge up to join the back of Richards through the Combs & Bear Wood where we slopt the hounds by the church fearing to kill so good a fox time about an hour without scarcey a check pace so good that several Rised their Master earth but fortunately no one hurt. G Thackel knee kicked Gosch as he was about the pine limestone ground above the knee not much hurt.

27<sup>th</sup> Went to Reading Markets must the same bought about 80 bushels Wheat and about 30 lbs of Bacon for B Gosh for slung

28<sup>th</sup> Nov 1847. All went to Arborfield  
church in the morning Mr Lickel read  
prayers Mr Hayes preached sacrament as  
we all stand. Uncle Daniel went to  
Beer Wood in the afternoon we did  
not. had a walk in the evening met Mr  
Wilmot & Harmon &c -

29<sup>th</sup>. A fine mild morning went to meet  
the hounds at Hains Hill. Doell took on  
Dollypop I rode the mare a short time  
found soon in Mr Gaith's fuge Ruscote  
lake he came away through the park and  
on for Seaford & when we lost him drew  
again all the covers at Billingsgate or to  
Warren house covers where we had two hollows  
at once we got upon the fox that went  
away for Bill's hills and after the hounds were  
well settled to him we laid the matification  
to find he had gone to the drain in Bill's  
Hill park. when we saw two foxes in  
last year and lost our shot - we then  
drew the fuge blank and departed

for home... that Wickham came to  
stay a few days with us and got just  
in time for dinner.

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~~Dec 1~~ 1847. that came from Reading  
I brought Withers who was to go to  
Wokingham for me. and we went out  
shooting in the Coombs had very fair  
shot. Killed 5 brace Pheasants a couple  
of cocks & 5 Rabbits. Morgan May & Withers  
joined our party at dinner,

Dec 1

J. S. Tixer came over early to breakfast  
and drove me to Basinslope with a  
horse he thought likely to take the  
place of Blind Tom. the horse had  
been driven very little and had one shoule  
but he went very spiritedly & well. I bought  
but little Bach only 80 lbs and not at all  
satisfactorily. not very busy at the Brewery.  
W<sup>m</sup> Lane dined with us. returned in the  
evening. horse went well. when we got to

Newlands & found Mr S C Wickham  
then they had been to Reading & came  
to dine at Newlands. They drove home  
& returned with our party. A live  
Walter Mayes al home Laid out in the evening about  
10 o'clock burnt 3 Wheat ricks etc.

2<sup>d</sup> At home writing &c all the morning  
& Wickham & Richard went out shooting  
they killed one Pheasant 3 Hares 1 bird  
& Rabbit, we all went to dine  
at Ettington. Joseph was not well enough  
to go therefore took William, our party  
consisted of Mr & Mrs Higgins & Elizabeth who  
was staying there Revd Phelps Chas Blaund  
Miss Fisher Miss Hoggard Mrs Walter May  
& Wickham Self Wife & Chas. I ping from  
Spring. after dinner Walter May came he smelt  
most of fum poor fellow having worked  
my land he had no idea of the enclosures  
& the evening came Augusta & Bridget Higgins  
we had a pleasant evening it was rather  
dark in coming away and we could scarcely  
get out of the Park.

3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 1847. Jas Wickham & Self went  
to meet the hounds at Ripey Holes a  
pretty large field we drew. This meet  
was expert. on to Easton back to Daunton  
then to the Dukes Park. Switzerland  
Park Pitman. Pitman left Barnscombe  
on to Colliers and to Blackwood where we  
at last found  $\frac{1}{4}$  to 3. He came away to  
Colliers on as if for Hartley Wood turned to  
the right to Pitman across the Slighted  
Park to Daunton. through the Speckled  
Park to Lins Mead. and across the field  
to Dukes Park and we lost him in  
Switzerland nearly at dark.

5<sup>th</sup>. I took C Wickham to Reading, market  
quite as new bought about 60 lbs of Meal  
& 80 lbs of Bacon to go to Henley for 11/2d  
at 33 $\frac{1}{2}$  not my best at the Bank

10th Dec 1847. Self Wife & C Wickham went  
to Sherwood Bluff in the Morning also  
in the afternoon Miss L Anne came ~~in~~  
the afternoon Mr. Wilmot did all the duty  
had a walk up to Richards in the evening.

11th A very wet morning met the hounds  
at Bulmertho Court drove all the place  
and on to Mr. Palmers and in driving one  
of the gullies one of the hounds was caught  
in a trap and as they was going to release  
him off went a spring gun he blew the  
hounds away and galloped off as fast as  
possible and while doing so heard of a  
fox that had been seen at Mr. Whebles  
by the keeper we got to the shot as quickly  
as possible and I believe a hand or two took  
to a sent me over telegraphed up by the  
house and on towards Bolg court and all  
making play as fast as possible and poor E.  
Sherwood with the rest on a jangly horse  
and just passing the coach trees in front  
of Mr. Whebles house his horse fell &

and rolled completely over him breaking  
a rib and shattering several injury his he  
was taken up to Mr W's and the doctor  
was in speedy attendance. we then  
drew. Mr Golding's son to outgoft  
Bottoms Copse Mon Copse Russets Wood  
Early this evening without finding. That  
Harman was out and injured his knee  
by jumping out of a cover by Joe Goddans  
he dined with us in the evening.

7th Dec 1847. At home writing to mother  
Mony. Blas & I went home to join  
C. Mekham on a shooting excursion they  
left the Combs & I only killed a couple  
of Rabbits went to Whitcham many  
times got home in time for dinner Miss  
Baldwin dined with us we had cabin  
in the evening.

8th. Started early rode the horse to B. Hob-  
nall but there bought about 180 lbs

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W<sup>th</sup> Mr Terry rode home with me in  
the evening. Chas Wickliffe left us to go  
to Newburg. I<sup>m</sup> went to Readis with  
Uncle.

9<sup>th</sup> Dec. at home all day making out  
for Hamptons acct. went to Newlandes in  
the afternoon. got trees from Sandhurst to  
plant on hill.

10<sup>th</sup> a very damp morning sent Joseph on to  
Shelby Row with Lollipost to meet Mr. Brown  
at Winclefield house. rode the horse to  
Cover. went on with Mr. Cane to the meet  
a pretty large field I leg there. drew Joseph  
Wood. & Louisa Moore dogmen fed Tailless  
Redpost Rovers. Keebs Covers. Gunns. back  
to Giblett Moore & Dogtail's. Drove at  
West Green (all Black) & bought a horse  
of Goddard. coming 5 or 6 all right for  
35 Guineas. several parties wanted him after I  
had agreed but I thought him too good to pass up.  
he turned out badly (can't take the result.) 17<sup>th</sup> June 1847

12 Dec 1867. A fine morn went to Reading  
bought about 100 lbs Wheat. market rather  
dearer. bought also 15 lbs of ~~Wax~~ for 13 Shillings  
at 33 to go to Henley. had a misfortune with  
cow bought at N Shillings she calved in the night  
by rails bounding the garden and got her  
legs under some scaffolding poles and  
therefore was quite exhausted self dead  
sent for Moses Braunt. Nursing Teacher  
attended to her and set up the first part of  
the night giving her gruel etc.

12<sup>th</sup>. Joseph got up my calf to release Rody  
from attention to cow patient still lying  
and suffering very much Moses came to recommend  
Slaughtering the animal. we all went to  
Church Mr Hayes did the duty. Joseph  
went to fetch the Butcher to slay poor  
cow they came & did so. we went to  
Church at Bearwood in the afternoon Mr  
<sup>Wynnot</sup> Hayes did all the duty.

13<sup>rd</sup> Dec 1847. Farming in the morn had an  
illwight to put new bushes to the hedge  
Joseph took on Dolly-hop to Rought Bridge  
to meet the hounds. Brode the new hedge  
and was pleased with his going offered him  
to W<sup>m</sup> Lane to have a day's hunting he took  
him at first but afterwards got off him he  
having influenza w<sup>t</sup> took then took him  
home we found in the Fleet ditch  
two or 3 foxes but unfortunately got on one  
that would not run nor eat but ran him  
to a rabbits earth at W<sup>t</sup> Thistle and they  
began digging him. we then went on  
the longmorn & back to Matwood without  
fining. we ascertained then that they had  
succeeded in digging the animal and  
when they turned down in a little cover  
of W<sup>t</sup> St John on the right to Rought Bridge  
and he was killed before getting out of it.  
we then drew Wyfold & - and then  
trodded on to Robin Hood & Whitbarrow which  
we drew blind. no fox has been disturbed  
in the former power in the morn till  
afterwards long Cope & Spring Cope and in

West bands me got upon a fox which  
we ran through Castle Cope over Saif hi  
Andersons Bank to Russells Wood. crossed the  
river at the bottom over Locks Farm by  
Savages above Mr Terry's down to  
Kings Bridge on the Bulle cover where  
he was viewed just before us, on the  
to Beech hills away as if for Shattockes  
say crossed the river again to Bullocky  
where we lost him (near dark),  
canon of King & the young Mr Austin Leigh  
called at Newlands I reported horses & claus  
or this way home. Loddon Bridge latter  
there.

14<sup>th</sup> at home writing &c all the morning  
afterwards went to Wokingham not much  
doing Beechey took the contract for the Am  
at £1/4. our contract with him £2/-

15. Started to B Stoke about 7 rode the  
new horse. he carried me 13 miles. rode  
over the farm. bought 215 lbs of Barley at

13<sup>rd</sup> Dec 1847.

Market day at Stow afterwards at from 31 to  
35/- rather busy at the Brewery etc  
Lerv rode home with me in the evening  
a wet night. Tom went to Newbury  
to go to a Ball. Uncle went to Maiden-  
head to see Mr Smith relative to deeds  
I'm took the road to Reading

16. at home writing & faring all the  
morning. went to Newlands to see Uncle  
& Aunt start for B Stow where they  
were going to dine to meet a party  
they met Mr Shethew, Holdby, Shillier,  
Brooks Shillier. Uncle & Aunt were  
both poor the night before, we were  
dining out manne at Pensham Farm in  
4 o'clock to plough us for Beasts. Our  
lamb had arrived 2 or 3 days. Withers came  
over in the evening to tell me of the  
purchases of Bars made by Rigg of Head  
he bought about 70 lbs at from 34 to 3½/  
he ordered them to W<sup>m</sup> Cobbs who agrees  
to make a few marks for us. J Harman

16 Dec 1847

called in in the evening to arrange  
about hunting to-morrow.

17. A mild dull morning rather dry &  
Joseph took on Lollypop & I Harman's  
mare. and rode the Master & I Harman my  
new horse to meet the hounds at Pug  
Wood a very large field the hounds were so  
gay that I let. Blandford who used to hunt  
a Borkham horse the Master & Joseph the  
new horse just for a little time to quieten  
them. we very soon had three foxes on foot  
and went away with one across the road  
through the Wood as if for the tea but turned  
to the right before coming to Davis across  
the road. and on to copse by the Old Bell  
on then as if for Beech Hill but kept to  
the right of railway or to the Allpess farm  
over then to Blomfield hedge wood across  
the railway to the copse on to Grindstone  
house turned to the right as if for Norton  
but crossed before we came to the farm  
late, highwells on then across the lane leading

to Butlers lands and to the Pheasants  
where we killed him time 55 minutes  
with only one check of consequence. the  
country rode my heavy and the fence large  
a great many dirty coats & faces. I started  
well with the hounds but got thrown out  
the first quarter of an hour in consequence of  
making a wrong turn at the river. I could see  
them all the time but still not riding to  
them afterwards I got on vs satisfactory  
W came went well he & Joselina had  
certainly the best of it. I harm blur  
his man after the first 1/2 of an  
hour Joseph let him have the new nos  
but he had lost the hounds & came home  
with Joseph who brought also the mouse  
home I got home to Susan before 2 o'clock  
she did not draw again changed y clothes  
& went faring rode the mouse he was as  
fert as ever, went to Newlands Uncle &  
Aunt were come home all the better  
for their journey to B Slope, they had  
a pleasant evening & enjoyed themselves.

18<sup>th</sup> Dec 1847. A very wet morning indeed went to Reading bought about 80 lbs of Wheat 3' dearer the condition very bad, the rain was so measurey that parties could not get out and altogether not much dry Uncle came but soon returned. rain continued till 8 o'clock.

19. Dry morning water rising very fast and running across the road in front of house before going to church. All went to church with the exception of Uncle who was rather fond to arborfield Mr Hayes did all the duty. a heavy storm of rain just now comeing out. we none of us went to Bearwood in the afternoon water began sinking about 1 o'clock.

20. A fine morning went to Newlands to see Uncle who was rather better but still hoars he went in the day to get something good for the Wheats which please God may do him good. Grode Lollypop to meet the horses at Shrubton

Hatch. (Dr Nichols) we went on to the Coast  
by the Lake, a pretty large fish, found in a  
cove belongg to Mr Gath. He broke across to  
the foyse on to near Ruscombe church turned to  
the left across the road or nearly to the road  
rights across to Mr Gath's stables by the Green  
man through Hursl to Bish hill Park. Turned the  
draw which was fortunately stopt on as if  
for Beer Wood turned before coming to the  
Brook and back to Mr Elliott's houses through  
his place on near to Moylestone church  
turned to the left and skirted two fields to  
the left of the high road near to the Windmill  
where he crossed over to the  
old Copse east hampted. With Ridings and two  
miles farm crossed the common at Bracken  
Presthord on to Sighes place Wayfield  
turned to the left across Mr Braxton's  
Burfitt manor house. Burfitt corner Poles  
wood, skirting I say's over two fields to the  
back of the Warren house. Tryes Farm to  
near Mathew's green again turned to the right  
to Bish hill Park turn'd the draw again  
to the foyse across Hursl to Castle

Bolster's Park - Glappool's Farm and  
as the floors were out we must be skinned  
the Loddon through Hurst Park and  
by the river to Whitchurch and by the far we  
lost him, he finally ran us out of scent  
the time past 2 1/4 a good hunting hare  
sometimes fast we were well on the line  
of him and had no check for 5 minutes  
the last 1/4 of an hour slow but good

hunting until we entirely lost him till  
altogether 2 1/2 hours. a good fox I do not  
think we changed, it was a very steep  
country or great many fences. and a great  
many fields. I got one over a gate near  
Fryes Farm it was out of a meadow  
into another just as I was going down  
sheep got in the way and I rolled them  
off and when going again the feet crossed  
in upon us and I did not get away enough  
Lollypott hit the the top which was  
then bound my hand he did not fall  
directly over but made a scorable fall  
it I got down somehow or other  
and took the model of my mole in

the soil but thank God no injury  
a bloody nose & dirty face a great  
many similar casualties but no one  
lost out a most satisfactory day  
to every lover of fox hunting.

after looking over fox I got home as  
quick as possible changed my things  
and went over to Reading to see Mr  
Gibbons at the Bear to pay Mr G.  
Studys rent. I got just in time  
found Mr Gibbons very much weaker in  
health I shortly met Mr Heracte Sloane  
& W Pitt the younger blubber strong  
at the Bank afraid me should not  
have them at Christmas. I found he had  
a heifer - Welsh) to kill for show it was a  
very good one & weighed 92 stone. Wallis came  
to clip the Mousie &c

21. At home writing &c all the morning  
except going to Newlands rode the Mousie new  
clipped found much better but in Physic he did  
not move out I went to Wokingham rather  
busy stamps & taxes arrears day and a good

1847

May draw cheques.

22<sup>nd</sup> Dec. Started early rode the new horses  
to W. Stote found unpleasant business with  
regard to Phillips' men Willmott who  
were putting up Bear Hill &c I was quite  
convinced that they & no other party wilfully  
damaged three cogs of the wheel that  
drove the pump by putting in a Bar and  
breaking the most important ones. Wilcocks  
who was the foreman called my attention  
to it stating it must have been an accident  
and requesting that he would write to Mr.  
Phillips for a new set of cogs but George  
the engineer came down and openly  
accused the party who made several  
pernicious accounts and so far was I  
convinced that I ordered them out of the  
yard but Wilcocks stated that Mr Phillips  
was coming I allowed them to stay but  
as he did not make his appearance I  
made them take themselves off in the afternoon  
brought about 180 lbs Beef .32/-

22 Dec 1847. note a large shew of Baig  
at the commencement of the market but bought  
nearly 200 lbs at from 31- to 35/- rather bad at  
the time. Charles who had returned from  
School. Mr Bedfords) yesterday very poorly  
with cough &c rode home in the evening  
new horse carried me delightfully. W Tery returned  
with me. I have been to Reading with  
much I am not.

23. Went to Head Withers with me & had  
a look round. Byles's Mill house which  
looked to be going all right. Roger bought  
for us 4 parcels of good Baig 3 parcels at  
33/- and 34/- to go to Cobbs Mill house.  
by bus at the Bank. I & children  
went to Swallowfield. Much better he and  
Anne went to Sandhurst to see W &  
Tery to settle matters there.

24<sup>th</sup> Friday. Christmas day coming on  
the Saturday. Reading market held to day

1847.

a pretty large supply of corn Wheat & Barley  
both cheaper bought about 60<sup>ds</sup> of the former  
Stephen gone to Wyeonb<sup>t</sup> and Charles laid up  
with influenza he did not come down in  
the Bank all day. I was therefore in the  
Bank all day after the money wrote  
the letter sc. Uncle did not come to market

25<sup>th</sup> Dec. Christmas day. Charles & family  
so poor all with influenza that they could  
not come over. Self Anna. Little May  
& John went to Newlands we went to  
Church and staid the sacrament. our party at  
dinner. Uncle & Aunt self wife & little May.  
John staid up stairs. the smallest party I  
ever saw there at Christmas

26 Sat into Reading and received a favourable  
acc. All went to Church in the morn<sup>g</sup>  
Mr Hayes read prayers Mr Tickel preached  
Uncle & I & son were to Bearwood  
church in the afternoon I had a walk

1847.

will Mr Sturges & T Harman to  
Sainsbury Newland Farms.

27 Dec 1847. At home writing all the morning.  
Much came down he was by himself and we  
are fearful he is going to be hoarse. had an  
early dinner. Newland carriage came down  
An am who will Aunt called on Mr  
Sturges. Mrs Walter and the Harmans. Went  
to Reading to see the invalids found  
all better, Joe very bad from his kick,

28. Joseph could not go to Reading therefore  
I was obliged, found all better. Em rather  
poorly. Mr Terg & Jane Cooke came brought  
Redd fruit. Went to Wokingham breakfast  
dinner of my six dined, not much doing  
Uncles cold is bad Aunt will bad tooth  
ache.

1847

Dec 29<sup>th</sup>. Started early for W Stote called at Newlands found Uncle L and both found him ready to Readings with the money. found all at W Stote in bed do well (influenza). got there at 1/2 past 8 (rode new horse) settled with Mazer as to rent. Mr Lidder came from Berkhamsted to see Mr Brooks who had written to invite him to see Molt-Stone and to give his opinion as to our system. I was so engag'd that I saw little of him. Phillips came over and Sam son was convinced that our judgment was correct with regard to his men damaging the wheel and he promised they shoud not be sent again. May got up to dinner. Mrs Wickham dined with us. I bought about 30 lbs of Bees at 31/- 33. Stone did not pay for us. Mr Terry & Coopier came down to the Brewery had tea and rode home with me. the horse carried me home delighted but tired with going.

1847.

30<sup>th</sup> Dec. Did not go to Heng Wether & Hartnew wood. Rigs bought about 61 lbs of Beef for us at 33 to go to Cobbs hotel Beef. At home writing all day well the exception of going to Newlands found Much as poor will bad cough and rather better from losing her teeth and yesterday report from Reading favourable. Am as poor as in the early. John Cooker who had been down as usual about work on his return was seized with shams or stomach complaint he was extremely ill and we fancied he would have died but we gave him Brandy and fomented him and he recovered, is not weather for the seasons

31. A cold damp morning. met the horses at Bear Wood Lodge. called on Uncle on the way found him still as poor. And better. Mr Standish had some cheery Brandy at the post Newlands we met a very large fox I Harman out. drew the Common Buck Kill. Common by the Blunt Targeted Copse. Wood without finding meat

on to the Combe where a fox was  
seen in the bottom before the hounds  
were thrown in he was hollered away  
by Richard across Bartham Combe and  
to Mr Chis's copse and away for Kettleham  
through which he passed and on for Longnor  
turn'd to the right across for Whitehalls  
and away for Westwood where he made a  
rig in Great Lee copse the pace from the  
find up to this time was extremely fast  
and ong. Mr Pool & Workman were with  
the hounds after obs came out of Mr Chis's  
place I went for Kettleham I went in to the  
left of the Brook got in to the Meadow  
jumped the brook and got quickly to  
Kettleham. Workman got through first &  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mr Pool did after going two  
or 3 fields beyond Kettleham I came to a  
gate White Workman jump'd in a different  
position and when I refused and in  
consequence lost the hounds I then join'd  
the rest of the field and we got to them  
at Westwood we then ran to Wyvils and  
cross'd to Holloway's fence and Park Lane

turned over to Mr Standish's covers Hilt  
Cophee West Samas Skulles & Harettes. Robin  
hood. White hale when he made a ring. on  
to Park hill to Wyvils when we killed  
him the latter part of good hunting but  
rather slow tonic altogether 1 hour 20 minutes.  
Poor old Steamer which Mr St John has  
to breed from and not having a foal was  
taken into his stable. Young blag son of  
the blag took her out when leaving the  
hounds coming and riding her for some  
time round the lanes she on our last  
return to Park hill just by Webbs at the  
Putthi house fell down and died  
in the course of a few minutes she was  
taken down to Mr St John's & buried  
with honours

1<sup>st</sup> Jan'y 1848.

Letter to Newlands report favourable I  
went to Market which was pretty well  
supplied bought about 180 ds of Meat  
highest price 63/- lowest 28/- took rather  
long at the Bank. went to Newlands  
on my return. Uncle still will not  
cough. Mary & son,

2<sup>nd</sup>. Dark morning none of us went to Abingdon  
church. Wife & poor from influenza & cough  
Went to Bear Wood Church Mr Wilcox  
did the duty. George came from Rye  
they were better. I walked to Newlands  
found Uncle still took long. Mrs  
Cooper still poorly, Joseph also, Mary a  
little better,

3. Penfond started us early to meet Abingdon  
team to go to Henley for 50 lbs of Malt for  
Boyles they met at Stamps scale at 3 o'clock

Got up at 6 o'clock I went to ~~Dobson~~ to  
arrange matters as the boomer was not  
well enough to ride early in dark now  
neut could not see to work till past  
7. Came to Reading for wheat had  
couple of measures to put. Rode  
Sallypot to meet the hounds at Swallowfield  
Place. called at Newlands much I think  
this pony a very large field over the Wood  
Mon Cope. Round. Pound. Bottoms. Spur  
I long Cope. Robin Hood. West Sandys.  
Taylors hill covers. Cuckoo Pens. had a race  
in Little Ruislip Park between 2 Hackets  
chestnut. the one that kicked Joe. and Mr  
Dobsons horse bought of Webb the former  
ridden by Mr Goldsworthy the latter by Mr  
Dashwood. Fowler who came in an easy  
winning the match was for 5 ft the  
distance  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile. we then drove  
Bull covers. Beech hill & 9 acre copse  
ale Blanks. a stupid dog we ought to  
have gone to Finchampstead instead of over the  
water to Swallowfield. Much came out in  
the dog and was in 12 acres field or

1848

Ingham's farm where we drew long  
coffee. Mr Hayes W Lane. Mr Ham-  
ilton Mr Conroy called at Newlands in  
the course of the afternoon. I'm still  
poorly will cough admn'd medicine to  
~~two~~ two female servants & I saw Joseph  
at home. Mr Cooper came to occupy his  
place until ~~Wright~~ recovery exchanged  
with G Goddard. The Captain £12 to for  
a horse. a good hunter, sound all right for  
2 May.

(4<sup>d</sup>)

Sat All the invalids much the same I  
rode the new horse to Reading to feel  
the maz afterwards went to Woking am  
not much doing. Betsy came over in the  
afternoon. Mr Wheeler came also to see Em.

5<sup>th</sup> Started early on the new horse and went to  
W Lane's to Breakfast. (Mr Lane had lost his  
Mother the day before) called at Goslings and went  
on to B Stow. found all better very busy there

1878

Miss Stevens stayed here. W came down  
with us. it turned out a very wet day. cleared up  
in the evening and had a fine ride home.  
Uncle & Aunt went to Reading but were  
both very poorly. Mr Terry & Miss Bird came  
to see them. Wallis drove Lollypop 2<sup>nd</sup> time  
(rates) & only bought 14 lbs of Bach at 13s/lb.

6th W took the pony in to Reading. Miller  
& Battineau went to Henley. a very wet morning.  
Tiger came down for his money for wheat  
drove up to Newlands to see Uncle & Aunt  
who were very poorly. Mr Wheeler came to  
see them. we sent him on to Newlands  
at home writing to Rigg's bought 20 lbs of  
Bach flour at Henley from 34/- Wakeman.

7. Report from Newlands much the same  
felt very seedy but had to go to Reading which  
I did on horseback and got wet through chanc-  
ing things that had gone to London. Stephen  
& Battineau to Wycombe. a very wet day.  
Blank returned at half 2 and remained over  
I came home & went on to Newlands

1848

found them better. a slight frost in the  
morning now drying in December

8<sup>th</sup> A slight frost. In D' Copes bounds did  
not go to West Green. report from Newlands  
favourable. Went to Peasants bought 10 lbs  
of Wheat for Hens £1. of Davis (17) 20 lbs for Geese  
at 54/- 1 20 lbs Geese at 47/- O. 10 lbs of Malted  
Peas of W Stephens 45/- 1 20 lbs of Barley Grimey at 30  
£ 50 lbs for B Stole of Beeston near Rotherham. Hant  
at 37/- Stephen had gone to Leeds we were  
very busy indeed at the Bank. Return home  
very seedy. Took a ride which stuck in my  
throat.

9<sup>th</sup> Took Physic none of us went to Chuse  
a Jack frost the first of the season. Mr  
Wheeler came to see Em & then on to Newbury  
I walked up to Newlands in the afternoon  
all better,

10<sup>th</sup> Jan 1848. A frost wind blough from  
East East by South. inclined to be cold hear  
from Newlands a favourable account thow  
Lam gone to Pixie Wood to meet the horses  
but post too late stuck to work at home  
all the morn instead, John Gray here  
saying that whilst a stupid Millwright  
made an error in the neck before by  
putting on wrong wires to the machine  
Penford saw an abojet team went to Head  
to fetch 50 lbs of Malt for Bflock nest  
at 3 o'clock at Stamps Wall. We resumed  
work again he rode the New horse to Readix  
to get some wire for the machine & then  
took Dolly hot to Whitelockings to Noby Lam  
to get medicine for him. I walked to Newlands  
in the afternoon. Herrod Damer & his brook  
begin building in Grec Hill. had  
couplets for putting in measures.  
Miss Steward's cliff Boclamb & the Miss  
Harms from Readix called.

11<sup>th</sup> Jan 1848. At home writing & farming in  
the morning a fine dry frost. went afterwards  
to Wokingham by bus.

12. Started on the new horse at six o'clock  
and went to Liphurst relative to the Cow  
Public house and afterwards saw a Malt-hay  
Cottage & land which I agreed to purchase  
at the price allowed. afterwards went on  
to Btstoke horse rather lame, bought about  
50 lbs of Beef at Market from 30/6 to 34/-  
Billings John Gray & Farmer putting up  
Mile-tackles, returned home in the evening  
horse very lame obliged to walk from Fleet  
Heath. Morgan May dining at Newlands

13<sup>th</sup>. A damp morning rain in the day  
I went to Fleet with Mithay my bus under  
there.. Son & children went to Swallowfield

14<sup>th</sup> Jan 1848. A very wild young Parry came  
over at first & to see new horse. he received  
a dose of Physic and his shoes taken off  
and his feet poulticed. Joseph took Collaps  
on to White Wetham. Brode white stockings  
a very large field we went on to the cover  
beyond the cut at the back of Pickwells  
and found directly after a ring or two in  
the first cover he went away for Pale H.  
but was headed and would not go away  
and after running him in cover 1 hour &  
20 minutes we killed him near Heywood  
Farm. we then went on after getting lunch  
at Mr Poole's. to the St Wood which we drew  
blank, on then to the Hayes. and it was  
stated that 3 couple of hounds had gone away  
with a fox but we could make nothing out  
and we drew a cover at the back of Buck  
Farm where we found a trace we got  
away with one across the open as if going  
for Hawkhorn but turned back to the  
Hayes where he made short reply he  
broke away for Bellingham and we had  
some pretty hunting but he made his

wag back again and we gave him up  
nearly dead. It was a very hard day the  
hounds hunted admirably. Charles sent his  
horses from Reading to be turned out in  
Biles Pightle.

15. Had 67 lambs for feeding at Meathous  
we went with me to Reading. Markets  
much the same. a very large supply very dull.  
bought about 60ds of meat. paid ready ale  
the Biles. Uncle came to Reading. very busy  
at the Bank. buying us food with his  
money.. Bought a cow & Calf of Moses  
Mellotts going to market warranted all  
right & 50s at a qt. cow & money to  
be kept a fortnight.. Let him have 10s on  
acc.

16. A white frost. Very rather better we  
went to a brief church in the morning Mr

Lickel did all the duty. we went again to Bearwood in the afternoon Mr Wilmot read prayers. Horace Roberts preached a very large congregation, a very light frosty evening, freezing intense at 10 o'clock.

17. A very great change in the weather from nearly all snow & mud now. sent 10 Guineas worth to Coalclaw Bridge fetched. 39%. Uncle & Charles went to London to take the dividends. I rode Sollypot to meet the hounds at Staines Hill a large flock drew covers near Runscourt Park. Tury and just after doing so a tremendous rain & hail came on and wetted us all through we then went on to a cover in the Park and to Scalds all of which we drew blanks. came back again to the Sharks cover (got lunch at his house) or to Staines Hill. Chantry Farm Wood. Bushy Leaze. Wood & Belgrave cover to the right leading to Warren House Farm. Beech Wood. and Carter, all blank. we then went on to Lipping Wood where the hounds hunted

a fox a fox was followed away for Bileyham  
which we got after and another with 2 coulks  
of horns towards 1 days course but Robert  
stopped them and brought them to us just  
after we had run our fox to a drain at  
Bileyham house. we then trotted back  
in the middle of a soaking rain to where  
Robert stopped the others and we got upon  
him but on my hard terms we ran him  
3 or 4 fields at a maddling pace but good  
enough to cause some falls. the two Mr  
I Sandish's both down together and 8 good  
in the next field down. we had a regular  
dueling that scared a dog ahead about me

18<sup>th</sup> At home writing & all the morning afternoon  
went to Wokingham not much doing

19 Borrowed the newland four wheel drove white  
stockings and took 2m & little Mary (with  
muse hand) to B Stokes. got there about 10 o'clock

19<sup>th</sup> Jan 1868

Mullings at work there; not very busy bought  
about 50 lbs Barley. Miss Stevens still there  
Miss Duke came to stay a few days we spent  
a pretty good party at dinner. had fine weather  
and a pleasant ride home Mary rather tired.  
Uncle & Aunt went to Reading

20<sup>th</sup> At home writing to all the moving a  
post not service. Peacock went to Bilsby barn  
I bought a sack of hay at 97/10 t. of Farmer but  
belonging to Mr Merchant Thomas. Edwd  
& Jane Cooper with young Lizz. came to  
stay with us. Uncle & Aunt came to dinner  
with us at 3 o'clock.

21<sup>st</sup>: A frosty morning intended meeting the horses  
at Socks Farm but it was too hard sent  
three men to cut hay at Bilsby barn and  
a team to bring a load home three men  
& Leans from the other Farms. E Cooper J.P.  
went out shooting near White Hals. Richard  
took his gun, killed 2 brace of Pheasants

21<sup>st</sup> Feby 1848

went over to West Lands and killed 3 brace  
of Pheasants a Woodcock & a hare a  
very good days sport. (Shut Ball &  
Reading well attended). Mr Marshall  
came to settle.

22 E Cooper rode round to Brundall  
and to Reading. Went to market which  
was extremely dull & cheaper. Uncle did  
not come. Deacocke came & went round  
to Billingbear men & teams being long  
away. I'm & Jane went to Eversby  
to call on Capt West & lady.

23. All went to Bear Wood church in the  
morning. Horace Roberts did all the duty  
& I again in the afternoon. Mr Slane  
came & R did the whole duty.

24. Had a man die at Newland Farm in  
the night from — sent 10 herring  
sheep to Brundall which were sold at  
also 11 to Gads to be slaughtered for London

24<sup>th</sup> Jan 1848.

I went to Burghfield Sc. I writing &c till he returned at 1/2 past 1 when we had a walk on the Farms. Mr S. Jane went to Reading. Much I am not went to BStohs. Men & I team to Billings for hay.

25. Joseph went with the 4 wheel to fetch Clas wife & baby. She former brought the money and came for shooting. He & Col. Cooper went to the Coombs they killed 2 brace of Pheasants 1 Woodcock & 3 Rabbits. I went to Wokingham not much doing. Mrs & family had a fly to return home in the evening. Wm Lane came in the morning Joseph brought the horse home from Hatch Row in the afternoon. A frost, got all the Hay from Billings 81 Tons at 97/- cutting & carting not included.

26. A frost did not go to BStohs. & I saw Col. Cooper return to Sollowfield at home with his horses took the money the evening before had no communication with Reading. went fishing in the afternoon.

1848

Jan 27. William took the pony in for  
Mother Bartimew to go to Henb. Roger's  
bought 60 lbs of Bacon for us at 34/- at  
home writing to me in the Morng afterwards  
went to Wokingham to see Blundell  
Lugson & Roberts afterwards to Wokefield  
rode the Mouse. on my return to S<sup>t</sup> Ives  
Sam Cooper came to stay a day or  
two with us. had a walk on the  
Farm before dinner.

28. a very bad frost. & Cooper & I went  
out shooting (snow not starting) & Cooper  
helped me make out. Billy (w) we went  
to West Sands killed one Pheasant and  
my cold we returned to dinner at 5 o'clock  
Ivan & Sam Cooper had a ride to  
Wokingham. Uncle Judd & I did not  
get out.

29<sup>th</sup> Jan 1868. Edwd drove to Reading  
I so did I. a very cold frosty morning a  
fixed large supply at market in comparison  
to the element. trade for wheat extreme  
while did not buy any Barley clearer.  
While did not come. I'm took Sam  
Cooper home to Swallow field.

30. A mild morning. We all went to Church  
rain came on. Mr Hayes read prayers &c  
Ticket Preacher. all went to Bearwood  
Church in the afternoon Mr Button did  
all the duty. Mr Stephen Terry of Bath  
died aged 1

31. A mild morning teams went to Readmit  
to pitch wheel he removed couple from  
measams to 12 acres Indian Farm. Rain  
Snow came on. Joseph went on with  
Lollypop. To Rousby Bridge drove the horses  
wore a fl. coat. drew the Fleet Blant west  
on to when a few went away

31<sup>st</sup> Jan 1848.

(over a Bassett) on powers Lieheads  
clined turn to the left to Longmore  
across to Whelhale. Long Cope. West Lanes.  
Tark hill Caves. Rufelis Wood across the  
Rock when a hollow was given towards  
Holloways fit. And we were or had  
terms will him an' he had at. law  
then drew. Robin Hood and noted on  
for the Corms. Beech Wood. Common and  
to Brith Cope which we drew blind  
in the midst of rain & snow. got  
all wet through & went home. Montague  
Towles & Slackels had their Masses to

1<sup>st</sup> Feb. A hard frost at home with so  
all the money had a miserable headache  
afterwards went to Wokingham rather  
butty. ~~Thorn~~ came down to talk about  
the Berkham Masses.

2. Started at 7 o'clock rode the horses to  
Bisham found all rather bad Tom from  
home staying at Sutton. Farmer Wifey us

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Brook indeed dangerously ill. Brought out 12  
Ins of Bally by Stone Harris at 32/-  
called & took tea with Mr T Lumley  
on my return (Mr Boddy there) I'm had  
been to Reading with Uncle & Aunt.

3. at home writing &c ate the mous  
a nut mous. afterwards went to Wallhouse  
rode the Mouse to see Caudle & Hanagan  
fairing in the afternoon. Uncle & Aunt went  
to Sandhurst. Miller & Bartimeus went  
to Henly. Tax day there.

4<sup>th</sup>. A nut mous rain came on about  
8 o'clock sent Joseph on with Lollypop to  
meet the Hounds at Elvetians Mous rain  
came on which made me late. The poor  
people had a fox up on the common which  
went away for Brook Farm turned into  
the Elvetians Plantations and on for Black.  
water crossed the Road to Gates as if for  
Sandhurst across the Inclosure to

I am took again to the Heath  
Hartford Bridge Flat. onto the Plantations  
again where we moved a brace of  
foxes but I believe we stuck to the  
hunted one across Miles Brothers and  
down again the Brook where he went  
to ground in a man earth it was  
a very pretty hunting run and  
sometimes fast. time one hour & a  
half. we then got on a disturbed  
scout but could do no good. drew the  
Plantations but did not find again.  
Uncle came down to ride and stand  
some time.

5. Went to Reading Took 6 Geacoches a  
mild damp morning. a short supply at  
market everything very dull bought a  
few for Leoras at from 50 to 5.5. got  
home about 5 o'clock and found that  
my Wife had brought a little Boy  
afterwards named William it came on  
so suddenly that only the nurse and

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servants were with her Mr Whield  
Mr Lerr had both been sent for  
the former arrived about  $\frac{1}{4}$  of an  
hour after it happened thank God all  
things well. Mr Lerr came about  $\frac{1}{2}$   
past 5. Engaged John Son for ten  
to look after Barkham Manor for Thorne.

6. Fairly favourable report. I went to Newlands  
and to arbitration blind will Uncle & Aunt  
Mr Lickel read prayers Mr Hayes preach'd  
we afterwards went to Bear Wood Mr  
Wilmot did all the duty. & Walter there  
from leave of absence from his regiment  
which were stations in Ireland. Before  
came over from Reading in a fly and  
took our two children May &  
other home with her.

7. Still a very favourable acct I think  
had a better night. & mid morning  
teams ploughing for Peas in 11 acres.  
moved the 2. Legs from 12 acres

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To Tuller at Newland Farm Mr  
Terz & Jane Cooper came over. Uncle  
came down. At home faring & writing  
all day. rode the new horse Skylark  
and found that he was sound.

Feb 8. At home all the money farms  
writing to. Wm Lane came over. afternoon  
went to Wokingham rather busy (W Terz  
Bath buried)

9. Started early and rode Skylark to  
B Stoke he was alright found all mature  
pretty well. arranged not to fat the couple  
hairs so May twins agreed with May  
that the Boys. Jas & John were to go  
to school on the following Monday. returned  
home in the evening. Uncle & Aunt went  
to Reading

10<sup>th</sup> Am going on well. went to Steyning  
with Mrs. fair business doing markets vs

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dale. Rye brought about 40 lbs for us  
at 33/6 to go to Cobbs.

Mr H. Bullock

Peter  
Bullock  
and

11<sup>th</sup> big damp many could not plough. Soapt  
took our Sollypot & Grode Skylark to Rye  
Wood. met a very large field. found very quickly  
he broke away for leaving Davis' farm  
to the left up to Brushfield hill and on to  
Mr Shoggs' cows which he started on to the  
right through the plantations as if for Upton  
wood which we left to the left back to  
Sulhamstead church. Mr Shoggs comes on to  
the right and for who has had some  
slow hunting. we hit him into  
where he had stopped. for us and we got  
upon fair terms with him across Brushfield  
hill turned to the right by the old driven  
through the plantations to the church.  
Mr Shoggs' comes and on to his house  
where we ran into him time one hour  
and a half. the first last fast altogether  
a very pretty run. we then got home

at Mr Hayes and return home by 1/2 past  
2 o'clock.

12<sup>th</sup>. Went to Reading Market extremely dull  
bought out a few meats for dinner. Mr &  
Mrs Nine, John Cane, & Cooper & Lutz  
joined our party at the Bank to dine  
together with Self & little has made  
a pretty good party,

13. This morning Mr Lutz came just as  
I was going to church on horseback he  
took me in his carriage to Newbury  
and we went with Uncle & Aunt to  
abstain. Mr Hayes read prayers Mr Hale  
preached. Mr Lutz did not go to church  
in consequence of bad headache etc.  
Mr I and I did not go to Bearwood  
in the afternoon in consequence of Hermans  
coming down and he prevented us. Aunt

called down to see her on her return  
from blmne. Mr T S Leff had a walk.

14<sup>th</sup>. A damp morning. Left 20 from  
our bed I took Steel to Bridge  
15-brught 54 - 5 at.

Rode Sollyhop to the Warren house to  
meet the horns. The stag horns were  
to turn out at Bracknells and Sir John  
had ordered this to come directly back  
to Bear Wood but we drew Tipping  
& Pond Wood where we found he broke  
away for Ashes Wood across for Bishills  
turned to the right across for Hare Gales  
Farm. on to Hammetts through the park  
on for Shullock Street. When he was  
headed and was runned back away for  
Hammetts but we got on bad terms  
with him and he beat us. we cast on  
for Ruscombe Lake page 10 but could not  
hit him again it was very pretty which it  
lasted three 25 minutes. we then went  
on to Hammetts Copse Bellshaven

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Bear Wood Combs. Roots were few &  
Loynton Boy out did not find again.  
Joseph took she from Meel in in the evening  
to fetch Betsy & the children homewards  
came. Joseph took Betsy and her children  
home in the evening. Morgan Mr came  
to dine with me. Moved the couples into  
Whites close. Luccock.

15<sup>th</sup>. At home writing & farming in the morning  
afterwards went to Wokynham rather bus.

16 Fine morning started early to B Stoke 200s  
skyback called on Stow at Longbridge got  
to B Stoke about 10 o'clock rather bus than  
Phillips men still at work at mills making  
Melt yielding better. Sold 25 Weyhill sheep  
cost 33/6 at 50 at smallfield. Mr Lerr returned  
home with me in the evening

17. at home writing & farming all day.  
Mr & Higgs took what is in Pains Lane

and drove him over to Lusain I walked  
part of the way back with him. Uncle  
Leacock came down. Shepherd operated  
on 99 lambs in White close for fattening  
afterwards. Had a ride with Uncle & Celeste  
to Newland & Arborfield Farms. Brode  
Skybank he was very gay. Edmond & Hiram Cooper  
came over in the afternoon the former  
had a walk with me faring and in the  
evening even £ $\frac{1}{2}$  of meat cabbage.  
then returned a beautiful Moonlight-  
night.

18<sup>th</sup> Feb. One team from Arborfield & Ruford  
went to Henby for Malt. a sharp frost  
could not pull swedes at all. manuring  
for Spring Wheat in 12 acres. Joseph took  
Dollypot or to Swallowfield and Brode  
Skybank there where I took the former & Cooper  
went with me to meet the horses at Gobber-  
dials. they were rather late in consequence of  
frost. I went into the house & arranged with  
Godfrey not to continue driving him with Ben.

we began drawing about 12 o'clock on  
Tuesday January 20th, and on the other side  
of the road we found he broke over into  
the forest and made a very came back-  
ward or to Branks Hill through Branks  
Hillfield so as if for Butlers lands turned  
to the right and on through Mortimers little  
Park and over Tuckers farm for Hill Copse  
turned again to the right by Beech Hill  
and back as if for Mortimers but turned at  
the hill kiln and on for Shafffords  
loude across the park not far from the  
house over the river and on for Swetgarde  
but we got on bad terms with him and  
he beat us after a very capitall run  
of one hour & 20 minutes without a  
check of consequence - Dolly has carried  
us delightfully. He threw a shoo just  
the last 5 minutes I was at home before

4. Poor old Blind going very lame with  
off leg behind string a screw went to  
Wokingham on my return from Wimborne  
to see a horse of Bakers the Mews who  
he considered likely to suit a front place

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the horse was out but Baker told me  
I may have him to my as long as  
I liked and if I kept him the price  
would be 37 £. Uncle & Aunt went  
to B Stoke.

19. Went to Reading market very dull  
bought only a few farthings on parcel  
of Stephens's for Whites at 62. Weyke (20)

20<sup>th</sup>. Mr Terry & I went to Abingdon church.  
Mr Hayes did all the duty. I was going  
to ~~Abingdon~~<sup>Leighfield</sup> church in the afternoon but  
Mr Smith and Mr Rose out of Devon  
came over to see pigs etc. had a walk  
towards Newland. Mr Sturgis & Hartman  
came down & brought a retriever.

21. At home farming to all the money  
spent afterwards to attend a Masonic  
lodge at Reading to install Lord

Downshire as Grand Master of Berks  
afterwards attended the Banquet at the  
George between 70 & 180 sal. down the  
whole passed off well. Mr Tres & Mr  
Cooper dined at the Bank. Dined the  
flour. 3/- Hams 42/- Leons 37/-

22<sup>nd</sup> Intended starting early for B Stokes  
but the morning being so wet did not go  
till 12 o'clock. had a break down in the  
while the Rd wheel shifted on the shaft and  
shifted off 15 dogs. Willoughby adjusting it  
Willis went to Wokingham. rode Lollypop  
to B Stokes where I got to Heckfield Heath  
the rain came on and I got a regular  
ducking. changed my things and got  
comfortable. the weather was so bad could  
not see to much. had a wretched head  
ache and nearly a sleepless night

23. Roused out at 6 o'clock to see  
to the Mowing which appeared all  
right tackle going fair. saw two dead

from 2. - 1st of Novt 33

Mallings &c I went to market bought nothing. Robert took Lollypot or to Andover Road Station and I went by train with Mr Wickham who took my portmanteau or to Sutton arrived there for a dinner quite dry got there in time for a little walk before dinner met Mr Boulton a blacksmith from Stockbridge and their own family composed the party. At 8pm Mr Wickham & Boulton played Mr Wickham and self at Whist and they allowed us to win a shilling.

26. a wet morning intended going to see Ashton Smiths hounds but they met at Little Turnford too wide and therefore Mr Wickham & self came back to Farleigh to meet Lord Rifford we drove. Hatch Warren copse covers at Kempstot Mr Tarrys and back to Nutley Wood where we found a regular dodger he broke for Kempstot and after a mischievous run of an hour £20 was too little him at Mr Tarrys of Tunmers.

I May was out and he ordered Robt  
to bring the Black mare, and after  
the run he took Lollypot to B Slope  
and I took the mare on to Sutton  
in the midst of a drizzling rain, and  
the wind blowing directly in our teeth then  
we had scarcely a dry thread when we  
got back to Sutton. got home in good  
time for dinner had a rather in the evening  
Mr Halcourt & Mr Wickliffe played Poch  
& myself we lost 20 points - 10%. Miss  
Wickliffe rather poor. a revolution in  
Paris.

25: During breakfast Mr Sturge & Mr  
White who are agents for Mr Bright came  
to see Mr Wickliffe on business. He looked  
over the coach & horses and approved of  
the repairs & alterations we made. The  
property we hold as lessor for lives. Mr  
Wickliffe & I had a ride round the farm  
I was pleased with his farm and appearance  
of his stock. returned to Sutton to lunch

and took my departure from that place  
about 7<sup>th</sup> last eve. got to Flower Pots  
Poplars lane just in time to escape  
a heavy shower and was weather bound  
for 1<sup>st</sup> an hour got to B Stoke quite  
dry found master all right got a cub  
of tea and arrived on Loddington at  
dinner about 7<sup>th</sup> past 8.. at Newlands  
I heard the following disasters. the Cook hence  
so extreme ill that she had gone mad.  
(but soon got right again) poor Mr Dodd  
died on the Tuesday before rather suddenly  
Uncle Mace was ill and one of his  
other horses lame. Mouse had fallen  
down will tree & brok his knees.  
(Louis Philippe abdicated the throne of  
France)

26. A very wet morning indeed it rained  
without ceasyng the whole of the  
day I went to market which was  
extremly dull bought a few wheats  
for seconds Uncle did not come to  
Reading. The Judges came into  
the Town John Hopkins Sheriff

a republican Government established  
in France. parties quiet. Contols  
needed in the week from 89. to 8½

27. Joseph drove me in the 4 wheel to  
Hastings took Uncle & Aunt to Abingdon  
church. Mr Hayes read prayers & Mr Ridley  
(Bro) preached. Mr Lerr did not go.  
heavy shower in the day. Went to  
Bear Wood church in the afternoon Mr  
Wilmot did the duty. a storm came on  
just as we came out of bell of Thunders  
very loud, vivid lightning & tremendous roar  
went into Mr Harrans & stand'd till it was  
over. high flood but the water did not  
run across the road.

28. Fine morning could do nothing on the  
land harvesting wheat at Sessame Farm  
went to meet the hounds (they could not  
pass our way) at Mr Whebles. met a large fox  
near Mr Whebles. Mr Palms & back to Mr  
Goldings and in the ledgey grass in the

common we found he was away across  
Whitelights and over to Goldclawes at the Elm  
turned to the left back through Mr Goldings  
again to Whitelights where he ran to a  
drain, but Lucas had his little Lerris  
bolted him he made short run in  
the plantation, one of which he skated by  
the side of Pepper Lane down to the  
avenue, and he got up in view of the  
house and was making his way back  
to the Middlemills but one hour

ran from the rest and pulled  
him over just before he reached the plantation  
it was a very pretty course, we then  
drove Sir Jasper Nichols across Mr  
Cobham's but did not find again Mr  
Garth returned with me and got chez  
Branby at Newlands. Miss Steward  
Barelamb dined at Newlands from old  
Dodd buried, I went to dine at Mr  
Hayes met Mr Ridley & Roberts Miss  
Sneed. Mr & Mrs Hob myself composed the  
party had a very pleasant evening.

29<sup>th</sup> Feb 1848. Very seedy will influence  
the rising few morn. I went to Wokingham  
rather busy. Joseph took Mrs Liza & the two  
children to Swallowfield a vg wet afternoon

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I got up early but was so poorly and  
the weather so wet that I wrote to Tom  
and did not go to Btck. Joseph  
took the note and when he returned I  
sent him again to Reading with the  
money at Uncle who was not vg well  
did not go. we had a thorough wet  
day and I nished over the fin. wife thanx  
god better,

March 2 Still vg poorly. Joseph did not  
take hoy in. Withers & Bartinor had to go  
to Henley not much doing. Joseph went  
in to get the paper. all quiet in France  
English funds rather advanced

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3<sup>rd</sup> Fine morning took a Wheal ride in  
at Sussau Hatch a very large one grew  
in Duce hills, went to meet the hounds  
at Beer Wood Lodge. an immense field  
officer from Minster to Hubber & Son My  
sent their horses on to Newton last night  
I came to Breakfast. Sir D Cope was  
out he asked me to take the management  
of the draw, we first drew Common  
Hills Cope. Common to bluet. the Wood  
and on to the Coombes and when bluys  
away to go to Kitchens we had a hollow  
or for that cover, (it appeared that a fox  
had been moved on the top of Poors allotment  
and went away through plantation Bullock  
hills. and on for Hembury where he was  
seen and hollow'd on to Kitchens,) we  
got upon him on good terms three out  
ran him through and away out on the  
other side but the scent was bad and  
we soon lost him, we then went on

to Whitehalo. Robin hood. Long Copse.  
to St Cope's Tark hill where we found again  
after a ring or two in cover he broke away  
across. Tark hill park. through Wyfolds  
to the sea covers. on to Bamfylde  
and up to Inglempton church turned  
short to the left and back again to Shepherds  
lands. Hogwood. on through Wyfolds to.  
Tark hill where we lost him the scent  
was extreme bad. Mr Dobson had a bad  
fall in consequence of his horse having put his  
foot into a rabbit's hole. & St John rode  
Skylark. he carried him back Grod Lollypot  
and brought Skylark home with me  
very weakly on my return home had a miserable  
night.

21<sup>st</sup> Went to Reading a short while at  
Market extreme dull bought nothing  
much came. I returned early fit for nothing  
down with influenza.

5<sup>th</sup>  
5<sup>th</sup> March 1818. A very wet morning  
only the men servants went to Bear Wood  
church in the morning rain continued  
no one of us went in the afternoon I  
took medicine

6<sup>th</sup>  
6<sup>th</sup> Fine morning sent 20 Wethers fleet  
53 and 10 barren ewes from Linslawn Farm  
flocks 54/- at home writing &c all  
day.

7<sup>th</sup>  
7<sup>th</sup> All home writing in the morning afternoon  
went to Wokingham not much about got  
Bakers horse the trial to draw to morrow  
that went to London on business having  
leaves had a party in Contemplated forging  
our notes and has employed a person to copy  
the plate he set to work together the officers  
to find the delinquents

8<sup>th</sup> March 1848. Drove Bakes horse  
to B Stokes called & took up Mr Tarr  
not very busy. returned early called and  
got tea at Newlands Morgan Mg then  
found the horse not strong enough and  
therefore had made up my mind to  
return the animal.

9<sup>th</sup> Joseph drove me in the forenoon when  
in order to bring home Betsy and the  
children to spend the day at Princeton  
with him. and I intended to have gone  
to Henry but Mother & Bartimew who  
had hired a horse & gig started earlier  
than usual and I did not get a turn  
dairy walked back with Charles &  
his son to school. I returned home. Bear  
setting in 4 a copse. had a ride on the  
farm & to the Combs with Uncle cutting  
back & in the Combs got to Godolair.

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19<sup>th</sup> March 1848. A very wet morning clear'd  
up about 9 o'clock. Joseph took Dallington  
out to Mr Poole's White-Wall farm. I saw  
Skylark two times. a rather large field we  
went on the the further cover out in drawing  
the second we found one fox he came up and  
gallantly by Heywood. Only 4 or two shot him  
Godd Wood and the Hares at a great pace  
we then got a check. and hunted him very  
slowly back into the cover we found him  
in and then made a finish of the fox)  
we then came back to Mr Poole's  
when all got lined and then on to  
cover to Buck Farm, which we drew  
blank, or then to Grooldale's coppices  
and in the one near Lady Maledon's we  
found a brace, unfortunately got upon a  
moss, which we ran our Cabbages off  
and in a hedge row of Mr. we ran  
her to a drain we got her out and  
after running a few yards she hopped  
caught her. a most unfortunate and  
clumsy affair nothing, we then went on  
to Zephrys wood & Pond wood which

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we drew Blant. and each took our  
departure for home at the Warren house.  
Mr Standish & J. Goldsack were with  
the horses on their way home, and just  
as we were off I heard a noise, a fox  
cropped in the frost of snow, the chase  
was irresistible, & they set at him and  
gave him a good start from home  
& 10 miles round Harts Walthamton  
& so when they last him.

11<sup>th</sup> March. A very wet rainy cold day  
nothing will the land bear to market  
a very short supply. bought about 50 lbs of  
Second wheat very dear indeed average  
57. about a peck weight. not butz at the  
Bank which did not come. he was at  
Linsam when I returned from Ready

12<sup>th</sup>. Froze Skylark to Newlands went  
to arbitration court Mr Hayes did all

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the duty. Sacrament. Uncle & Aunt had  
left us, walked back to Newlands &  
rode home. I myself started to Bear  
Wood church in the afternoon but met Mr  
String & P. Harman who beguiled  
me to get out of the church & go for  
a walk with them. we went round  
Newland Green, Newlands etc. Uncle &  
Aunt went to church. brought me home.

13. Lent 20 Wethers & 10 ewes to Bridge which  
were none of them fat... Joseph took on  
Lollypot to the Bull Swallowfield Grose  
Skylark to cover. a pretty good field down Bull  
Cours. Beech hill & a few other Blomfield flats at  
Montague Forest. Little Park. Butlers Lounds  
Cover at the back of Grenoys Brocas Lounds  
etc. Wallpegs comes Black Trotter  
then on to Pengi Wood where we found  
but it was a vicious lamb and we whistled  
off. then to a cover at the back of Hazel  
lodge but did not find one then came  
home the lamb so well could do nothing

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in faring operations.

14 March. At home fanning all the morning afterwards went to Wokingham not very busy.

15. Went to Reading on horseback rain came on but escaped pretty well went by the 9 o'clock train to London to buy some wheat market rather dear offered lambkin. (Young stand) £17 for some Polish oats a very good but they would not sell under £8. also Birket £2 for some Peas & Peas but they would not sell under £1.2s - eventually bought 130 lbs Peas & Peas at 38/- pretty fair got home by the 4 o'clock train. Bessy & Charly came back with Uncle & Aunt from Reading to spend some time with us.

16. Very showery had weather could do

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nothing with the land at home writing  
farming &c all day.

17 March. As damp dirty & mucky farming  
operations at a stand still Joseph took  
on Sollypot to Elmettaw Mounts. I rose  
Sky Park. we few met in consequence of the  
rain. (W Cave had dug out an earth close  
to the Mounts thirty to fourty feet with  
a dog fox aground but on coming to the  
end of the earth found a litter of cubs)  
were common by the Mounts. Keeks covers  
Redfield Rows. on the Dogmersfield  
which we drew also Blaak on the  
strays to Horse-dean Common. and on  
the further side we found. had a ring  
and short rising at first round the Common  
but broke away at a tremendous pace  
as it for Brundall but turns to the left  
towards Dogmersfield and down to the road  
by the road. the road to the left of the  
road down to the Asturis Lodge turns  
over to the right for a feet or two then

back to the road and over to the left  
and close at the Back of Dolain through  
the Church yard. I then close through Mr  
Frank Boles place across the street throug  
the Clergyman's garden and at Place gate  
Farm and on to North Warmbrough Skirr  
the cottage gardens across the open and  
hurly along the Alton Road to South  
Warmbrough into where the made  
a good deal of work. and we got  $\frac{1}{4}$  of an  
hours check hit her again and hunting  
pretty to Raster where she animal  
staid for us we then got on good terms  
with her and ran across Sutton Common  
Sheep house large and away on nearly  
to Spolecombe and turned again to the  
left and was making back for Sheep house  
but we were too close at her and we  
ran into her at Locks grown it proved  
to be a rouse but the road in a very  
good running state time 2 hours &  $\frac{1}{2}$  an  
extremely good hunting run and the hunting  
beautiful. the pace up to Dolain  
was extreme fast all were very delighted

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although we had not a moments respite  
of rain all day. Mr Pool & Faith return  
with me as far as New Mills got &  
refreshment for horses & ourselves at NCaves.  
got home all covered with mud and wet  
through at 7 o'clock. Sollyhop carried me  
mud and quite poor when he got home.

18 March. Went to Market a very short  
supply bought about 40 lbs of Wheat  
for Seconels rather clearer not very busy  
at the Bank.

19. Rode Skylark to Newlands went  
to Arbroath church with Muel & Aunt  
Mr Hayes did all the duty. In & all went  
to Beaurood in the afternoon Mr Philpot did  
all the duty.

20<sup>th</sup>. Got up early to go to Kingsclere to  
meet Mr Fleiss at 9 o'clock to look

over some property offered to us by Lord  
Bolton adjoining our house late the Black  
horse. in order that we may open it  
again as a beer shop but the rain came  
on so fast and as Mr Helli was on his  
way his horse kicked so bad he was  
obliged to return. I called at Swallowell  
on my way and borrowed 8 Coopers great  
coat and antiprofela which kept me  
pretty dry but it rained all the way  
I waited for Mr H' till 12 o'clock and  
after looking at the property which was  
composed of 3 acres of land and House  
1 Barn one fit to pull down and for  
which they asked 1000 t. I valued it  
at 200 t. I then return to Silchester to  
the town which had been offered to us  
at 1000 t. I considerd that 200 t too dear  
return home at 2 o'clock rode Skylark  
he carried me well but was lame <sup>Sept 23. 17</sup>  
last few miles from home. has to go  
to London to appear against some parties  
who had been attempting to forge our notes  
they had applied to an engraver to copy

our plate - but he has appeared an honest  
man and let us know the application  
Chas had employed Tillard who had  
~~not~~ engaged Bullock & Mullins solicitors  
to the Society of Protection to Banters  
and they very wisely set the Forester to  
work who managed the matter so  
well that I think there will be no  
doubt of their ultimate conviction  
they were remanded till Saturday.

21 Still very wet & a very high flood  
much fancied in the morning we should  
have the water in the house, at home  
with us & afterwards went to Wokingham  
the flood water had much risen on  
my return riding across the road in  
front but no fear of its coming in  
doors. it began to sink about 10 o'clock  
at night. the highest flood of the year  
up to this time. Some came over from  
Bullock in the morning they had had a  
break down in the machine the upright

shaft had broken right through just  
as they were about finishing the shaft.  
it fortunately did not stop the pumps  
and they were enabled to get through  
with the beams without much loss.  
I am now off to Reading to  
see Mr Phillips who sent a man  
over a set about remedying the hole  
as soon as possible.

22. Borrowed the Newland four wheel  
and drove White Stockings to B Sloke  
had numerous matters there went to  
market got lunch and went by the  
first 2 o'clock to Wimborne to see  
Mr Northover relative to the purchase  
of the Rising Sun his price was 700/-  
I wished him to consult his co trustee  
relative to the lowest price which he  
promised to do I returned by the next  
train and got to B Sloke at first 5  
and home at a little after 9 o'clock the  
old man went sick. See the 21st

1848

Charles's journeys to London relative to forgery

23. Rained in the night but not sufficient to keep up water wheel had rung down. Wilkes came over with a horse of Coldeicott & his own chair the horse was offered me for sale to drive in the place of the old pony we drove him to Henby he went very well but I considered him not high enough for new dogcart old dead of Brans we were rather busy there market extremely dull. I went to Swallowfield to take Nurse home, Uncle & Leacocke went to Butlers at Sherfield Court to see as to his drawing.

24<sup>th</sup> Fine morning rode Shylock to Adamin to see Mr Helleis will regard to properties at Kingsclere & Winchester he having gone yesterday to look over them he valued the first at £30 t

and the latter the former at 750 £.  
we looked over the houses there no new  
repairs at the (Mills) and our  
alteration at the Angel (steps) called on  
John Lane. I Miss Terz Miss Terz of  
Warrfield there are well. came round by  
Blackwater on my return nothing had been  
done to finish the settlement of the Rother  
purchase. no court I obtain the informe  
as to the quantity of Leechot land required  
in the Reiving called I saw Miss Lane  
got home about 3 o'clock. Sent 5 Leans  
to Reading for Sodor wheat which  
came home weight 0. 8m. Little Mz  
went to Wokingham took Miss Beachy  
as fine day.

25<sup>th</sup> Mar. Signed & Caleb delivered notices to quit  
neat Michaelmas to John Blake by the Mole and  
Richard How at Greenways. Splendid many  
Beau Lettis at Newland & Arborfield could not  
set in 4 a copse Linsdown went to Market rather  
now supply bought out 12 ds for Leewas 4/3

1848

Uncle came to Reading rather busy  
at the Bank

Mar 26. Damp money due all day  
I rode Skylark to Newlands went to  
church with them W Hayes did all  
the duty. In late went to Bearwood  
in the afternoon W Milner did the duty  
Clark caught a poacher at D Wood  
, a very wet evening.

27. A great quantity of rain in the night  
and continued till 10 o'clock in the morning  
W Terry & Mr Cooper came with the horses  
Uncle rode Geacocks Mare I rode Lollypop  
W Sturgis came out for a short time  
we formed the first line in London and  
after a rainy road we rode back to  
the copse at the Meadows except Sir Garroway  
two acres come in may back again through  
Sir Garroways. 8 acres 11 acres Broad horse  
Lamper Pool back to the copse Hobbies and

Killed her in Loddon Close and exulted a  
ng good run & hounds hunted very well we  
then found another in the hole and  
had some pretty hunting but did not kill  
farming operations quite at a stand still  
Mr & Mrs E C dined with us a very wet  
dark night they did not leave us till  
about 10.

28. At home farming so in the morning  
afterwards went to Wokingham (to see Miss  
Barclay) not much doing. land so wet  
could do nothing with the land.

29. This morning rode Skylark to B Stoke  
ng bus changing Sandlings &c. during  
midnight finished putting in new shaft &  
each in the morning which enabled us to  
travel. Mrs Walter called on me she wished me  
to look at some houses for her carriage at Chinnocks

30<sup>th</sup> March 1848. A considerable quantity  
of rain in the night could do nothing  
with the land. Uncle came down intended  
going to Reading to horses at Blincks  
but rain came on and did not go.  
Miss Stewart & MacLaurin dined with us  
Caleb went down to Loddon Bridge  
to pay Mr Goldings rent. put Skylark  
in Larneff at Newlands in the break with  
their great horse. William drew him hencastle.

31<sup>st</sup> Fine morning extremely warm  
Joseph took Lollipops on to Bowden Farm  
Pangbourne to meet South Berks hounds  
Frode White stockings called at Blincks  
on my way saw one horse the other was  
gone out in the Break called on McSmith  
and went to the hounds drew the course  
near Delabere. Lidman alib the Bottles  
to Silhurst and at 6 o'clock we found  
in the Vicarage it was a regular bad Silhurst  
animal and we dredged him about for two  
hours and we lost him the weather was  
so extreme hot the hounds tired

April 1848.

I called on Bhurrock as I returned and saw  
two horses. they are a raw pair of 5 yr  
old horses 16 hands high and very promising  
not quite alike one darker in colour & shorter  
than the other I asked 120/- for them which  
I considered cheap. Went up to Bear Wood  
on my return to make known the result  
of my opinion to Mr Walter Worth.  
Mr Walter to come down see them Mr  
W wrote to him thereon. got home to dinner  
at 8 o'clock

1<sup>st</sup> April 1848. Went to market took Miss  
Barclay's short supply of wheat bought  
about 50 lbs at from 5/- to 6/- rather busy  
at the Bank. extremely warm weather vegetation  
taking very rapid strides

2. A very warm morning I rode my mare to Newcaste  
and went to church with Revd Mr Hayes  
though my pony did all the duty. a tremendous  
thunder storm came on about 2 o'clock will  
leave rain which prevented our going to

April 1868.

Bear Wood church in the afternoon Newland  
folks did and came down see afterwards

3<sup>rd</sup> A lamb miserable mowing down 10  
lambs for market 1<sup>st</sup> draught 7 sot for 38  
3 for 36/- also the 3 remaining lambs 27/-  
W Lenz & Co Cooper brought the horses over  
that came to Lame & run. Uncle rode  
Calebs mare we found the 1<sup>st</sup> pair in Lopez  
Barns and killed in 20 minis at Miles's  
Uncle went home & has rolled his nog  
we were joined then by three friends of  
W Manseps (Leavers) we found the nest  
here in ~~the~~ and after riding extreme  
west round Arbroath Sir Connrys' Brodies  
& Hazletons we succeeded in killing at Hazleton  
it was extremely warm the horses hunted  
well. W Mansep's friends had numerous  
falls. they rode in boats, (extreme bad  
driving in E & G d.) W Lenz Cooper & Blas  
dined with us had a game at cards  
afterwards we rowed the Swallowfield east  
just Skypark in single barges he went well  
(lame)

1848

1st April. This morning began sowing Spring wheat (Russian) in 12 acres Linslawn Farm a pretty fair season. Bean setting in to a cockle Joseph drove him <sup>Mary</sup> ~~Jack~~ & Betsy into Reading and rode White stockings back with the horse. Went to Wokingham not much doing. Two children returned home after tea. ~~Litter~~ ~~and~~ ~~about~~ ~~two~~ ~~at~~ ~~Step~~ ~~Stevens~~ John Pitts came to settle in the evening (gave Young Mills a good shanty for telling me a lie about his setting) (Blae went to London to prosecute fellows for forgery)

5th April. Borrowed the Newland 4 wheel and drove White stockings to B Blaue called at Swallowfield I took Mr Zerg. arranged as to the tenancy of Mead sheep he had a break down in machines in math two George had gone to Town to get a new which he succeeded in doing at Lizard brought it down and got all right for breeding to morrow I went to Wokingham at 1/2 past 12 to look with Jas Nick at a public house (a Beer shop) it was close to Jas Limous, and I refused it got lunch at Jas Wicklams. R Limous was at Farnham on a trial called at Jas Limous' return

1868

To B Stoke at 10 mins past 4 had a look round got tea & returned home. Back to work at B Stoke a fair season. finished sowing wheat in 12 acres all but the headlands. I'm had a drive with Philip pony in the chair with Miss Parkhurst.

6<sup>th</sup> April. at home writing & preparing ale day breaking down 11 acres will scarpers &c for peas. Bns setting in 4 acres. I'm had a drive with the children to Newlands in pony chair. Mother came over in the evening my cold. Black snow winter

7<sup>th</sup> Much I went to B Stoke Charles went to London to prosecute forges. the jury found a true Bill on Tuesdg and he was ordered up to the trial to day. They were convicted and sentenced to 10 yrs transportation each. I drove the Jack & Baby to Reading and started Bunting also day. Little Marg drank tea at Miss Stewart's

7<sup>th</sup> April 1848

very cold

8<sup>th</sup> Dilled peas maph. in 11 acres a pretty fair season finished all but the headlands I went to Market took Miss Berclaw a very short supply quoted 1<sup>st</sup> Cheaper for Wheat bought about 70 lbs. Ohmoech had rec'd a letter from Mr Malta stating that they was home the horses. And they's very poorly - very cold weather a little rain in the day. I have rode Sollyhof to have a ride with his sisters.

9<sup>th</sup> Very cold morning got up with a sore left ankle. rode Skyback to Newlands ~~to church~~ to church with them Mr Hayes did all the duty we all went to Bear Wood in the afternoon Mr Wilmet read prayers Mr Israel preached. Much I think came down after Ohmoech. Mr Smith came over but did not stay tea.

10 Cold morning sent 10 sacks to Bridge  
I was sick at 39. 5- at 3h/ she rest return

10 April 1868

finished sowing wheat on headlands in 12 acres during  
peas on do 11 acres & beans in 4 acres coppe a  
leaving ston's of snow I saw about 1 o'clock  
new trench part of further do older muddy  
Meadow now put into Water Mead & Hulls  
peas. Uncle came down in the morn  
Aunt Higgs no better. Large Shartie meeting  
in London a riot expected passed off quietly

11<sup>th</sup> At home writing to Uncle went to  
Reading and brought the mow back from  
to Wokingham not very busy still raining  
& cold weather.

12. Uncle S. has went to Town to receive  
dividends I went to Reading in morn  
& bats went with me called at Aunt  
Higgs's who was a little better went  
to Jordans got a tooth stopper & showed  
dog. Uncle bought 200 lbs Swyns Wheat  
of Harris &c at 35.

13<sup>rd</sup> April 1848. At home farming &c all day ground so wet & cob carts do nothing on it. dried carts & rode Dollypot to Brackne Shingfield. Walford School to see the Boys rain came on and I got thoroughly wet through. I'm drove pony to Newmarket and took Aunt to Aboras

14<sup>th</sup>. Went to London markets and the same bought 500 ds of the Smyrna Wheat of Harris at 33/6. and 100 of Begbie & Young's Polish Oats for at £15/. offered £2 for some more flax wheats but they would not take less than 34/- took dividends at the Bank. Lexington & Co. I'm went to Swallowfield Little Town at Bank vs pony.

15<sup>th</sup> Still vs wet weather could do nothing on the farms went to Market bought about 100 ds of Wheat from £8 to 60/- Little Town vs ill indeed with Inflammation on the lungs. Aunt Higgs rather better.

16<sup>th</sup> April 1848. sent Joseph to Reading  
little Lou rather better. rode with  
Mrs. May to Newlands went to Arborfield church  
W. Hayes did all the duty, we all went  
to Bear Wood in the afternoon W. Kilmot  
read prayers Dr. Master preached

17. at home writing &c all the morning  
sent 10 lambs to Bridge rd for meat  
39/-

dined early and rode ~~Lollypop~~ to Willesden  
to Waltham to meet Darvale about horse  
late Ross he agreed to try it fine afternoon  
I'm went to Reading little Lou better,

18 at home in the morning afterwards  
went to Waltham rather busy a very  
wet night

19 April 1818. rode Wther's maw to  
Swallowfield Mr Lerris drove me to Bstock  
we went througl Shatfield sowe wheat  
looking vs had indeed grown so much wet  
weather rather busy at the Brewery  
changed some Landlads from Albion wife  
dead he rather intirely and his friends gave  
notice for him agreed to let the "Ship"  
to Mr Attwood there, and dined  
with us returned home in the evening a  
high flood. could not work the miles.

20<sup>th</sup>. Went to Henley drove Skyback in a  
gig of Brains he went vs well but injur  
better at Henley in peccary or harnes to come  
home. rather busy at the Bank. Tom better

21. Good Friday. dry morning Mrs Beffy  
& John Martin came over in the morning  
that cool I self walked to Abingdon church

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W Hayes did all the duty. Uncle  
Aunt & Morgan May joined our party  
at dinner

22. Went to market which was 27  
p Dr deavor not a very large supply  
bought about 120 lbs. at from 28 to 61  
Hood obliged to go round by Soddor Bridge  
to Reading.

23. Easter Sunday. That Bess & bhas  
Ianey came over left little Tom at  
home he was better. we all went to  
church (with the exception of Em) and  
stood the sacrament. Em & children  
came to dinner in cold damp weather

24. Web mony called on Miss Baclands  
took her to Reading & by the 4 o'clock  
train to London. left her at Mr Bally.  
I went on to market which was a

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little deer. Bought 100 lbs of Egyptian Beans at 25/- they were considered 2/- deer. brought Miss Barclay home to the depot train.

April 25. At home writing in the morning signed 5<sup>t</sup> Notes new plate. afterwards went to Wokingham Macknab Law all rather busy. Mr Ferr St Cooper drank tea with us.

26. at home writing & farming all day weather so unfavourable could do nothing with the lawns.

27. Withers Bartimaeus went to Henley drove Skylark. Signed 500/- ns next day

28<sup>th</sup> April 1848. Wet morning I signed  
500/- & Mr Smith called in the afternoon  
I rode with Wilkes mare into Reading & took  
the notes had a walk with Smith  
& afterwards with Mrs. rode Skylark  
home in the evening. Got home new  
dog cart built by Brown cost. 100/-

29<sup>th</sup> Went to Reading bought about  
200 lbs of Wheat at from 20. to 30. shew  
dog & few good horses

30<sup>th</sup> Rode Skylark to Newland's went  
to church with them Mr Hayes did  
all the duty. We all went in the afternoon  
~~Mr Hayes~~ - Milnes did all the duty  
rather more inclined for fine weather

May 1. got up early a very fine morning  
went to Hurst, Scarborough's about the  
character of a servant. Begun playing for

May 1<sup>st</sup> 1848.

Very further side White close, men  
hoing wheat in Duce hills. Went to  
fair bought nothing rode Skylark he was  
pronounced to be nearly blind by Parry  
J G Goddard rode a horse belonging to  
Mr Master which was for sale at Abingdon  
offered 30£ wanted 35£, returned early  
driven home the Houst. in new dog cart.

2<sup>d</sup> At home busy with sowing went to Abingdon  
~~not much done~~

3<sup>d</sup> By fine morning rode Skylark to Bisham  
saw round the farm &c rather busy at the  
Brewery governors just put up by Phillips cows  
well Tom still at the Battle. Mr Wheeler  
comes home

4<sup>d</sup> at home farming & all day sowing  
Barley in White close very warm weather  
Mr Wheeler comes to see us who was  
very poorly they also poorly. Cholent William  
Beesby that's to Cooke stood. Walked to, much  
I Aunt & I saw Cooke joined our party at dinner  
Mr Long did not go home.

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4<sup>th</sup> May 1848. At home plowing &c  
all day. Very sunny in Mtns close. beautiful  
weather. Mr Wheeler came to see him who  
was very poor. He took Mr Long however in the evening.  
5<sup>th</sup>. at home plowing all day. He is poor  
suffering from bad headache.

6<sup>th</sup>. Very fine Monday went to market  
Wheat rather cheaper bought about  
150 lbs of Wheat. Was very poor Mr  
Wheeler came to see him. Easily bring  
London Wheat home.

7<sup>th</sup> Rode Skylark to Newland Mr  
Hayes did all the duty we did not go  
in the afternoon. Uncle & Aunt came down

8 Splendid weather very bright sunny in  
meadows.

9<sup>th</sup> May 1848 at home farm also many  
went to Reading to see Gordon about  
teeth offered him 30 guineas for Mr  
Masters horse. went to Wokingham rather  
busy. W Cane came in the evening

10 Started early I went to BStoke matters  
much the same, very warm weather returned  
in the evening

11<sup>th</sup> very busy Bargaining in Moores Rydboro  
a good season. at home all day. Chas Peppi  
came over in Burles H. Mr Smith & Uncle & Aunt  
came over also. New horse bought from Mr Clarke 30 guineas

12. Joseph took Skylark to G Goddard's to  
sell for me. at home all day finishing  
8m & May still my pony Mr Whele in  
attendance

13 Went to market drove new horse he went  
well bought out 16 lbs of wheat. finish ~~the~~  
sowing. drilled long drivings well trench out

1848.

I Gras. Harmans came down in the evening drove him to Newbernes with new horse dog cart & new harness. very warm weather. Killed poor old blind Tommy Jones Richard ~~had~~ knew and he was buried in the orchard we drove him blind 15 yrs. he was about 20 yrs old.

14<sup>th</sup> May. Rode new horse to Newbernes went to church with them Mr Hayes read prayers Mr G. Shulme preached in better & went to church in the afternoon Mr Wilmot did all the duty Uncle & Aunt came down extreme hot weather

15<sup>th</sup>. Extreme warm fine weather finished off long swings busy breaking fallows etc. at home all day that Bess & children came to stay with us had a game at cards Mr Hayes called. Uncle & Aunt came down in the evening.

16. Charles drove Sydney in chair borrowed of Brown & took Charles to school. I went

into Reading to see Jordan. returned and went to Wokingham not much doing Mr Smith came to tea had a game at cuttet with us Mr Smith & Mr Mac came to fetch him home they supped with us. A Roberts also came & Uncle & Aunt

17<sup>th</sup> At home all day farming &c ~~the~~ warm had a game at cuttet in the evening.

18. A change in the weather much colder I went to Henley drove new horse he went well not very busy had a tremendous rain coming home between Shiplake & canonsham rain very partial very little at Linslade. Had a walk to Newbands in the evening much to cool & too far down & little may very poor Mr Wheeler in attendance

19. At home farming. Peas being in 11 acres weather much colder than I left had a walk to Newbands in the evening. Much & Aunt gone to

May 1848.

Sandhurst

20<sup>th</sup>. Drove Charles & black to Reading  
a short supply at Market wheel ~~passes~~  
towing downwards. Uncle <sup>old and com</sup> coone, to Reading  
bought no wheat at all. Uncle & Aunt  
came down in the evening. (I'm drove. Bessy to  
Swallowfield w Charles claws with Lydia,

21. Bhas left & black were with White study  
to Newlands and took them to church  
Mr Hayes did the duty. Bessy very  
poorly so that Bhas could not go to  
B Wood in the afternoon. I'm & Dennis  
Wilmot did the duty. Uncle A came  
down. very cold, had a few,

22. May very poor indeed. At home during  
all the Monday afternoon drove Bessy I'm  
Kinson and Harry to Swallowfield where we  
met John Biggs & wife. (Bhas came) and  
family party at dinner. I'm stand all night

May 1848.

that Bess & my maid return with me.

23. at home faring &c all the morning afternoon  
went to Whigham in little story. R Cooper  
drove same Miss Bissell & I in the evening they  
drank tea with us had a game of cricket  
in the evening.

24. Fine morning drove that in dog cart to  
B Stock to show him Brewery farm &c Mr  
Nickham. Jas. & Matthew came. we called  
at Mr Lanks went to Market. & had a rain  
on the farm in the afternoon, returned in the  
evening. Much had been to Reading. I in  
drove Bess in Charles's equipage to Bearwood  
to call on Mr Walter, (Derby dog Surplus won)

25. that drove dog cart in for Wilkes & Barlow  
to go to Heng. at home faring &c all the  
morning. I in drove Bess self & 3 children to  
Whigham in the afternoon to get Physic

Aug 1848

Mr Small drank tea with us afternoon  
west fishing with Chas the latter caught  
9 trout. Uncle & Aunt went to Sandhurst.

26. Begun Mowing Rye grass 10 or 15 acres  
behind the Colleges Susan Farm with few  
men a very fair crop at home farming all day  
extremely hot & dry weather. Uncle & Colet went to  
a sale at Lord Boltons. bought a fine year old colt  
by Venison at 28 guineas.

27<sup>th</sup> Drove Chas & Chas son to Reading the  
latter returns home with Uncle rather a small  
supply of wheat at market but it was 2%  
cheaper bought about 60 bushels for £1000 at from  
40/- to 54/. & Croker dined with us, not being  
at the Bank. Am done Besz & children to  
call on Mr Hayes.

28 Chas. Chas son I self went to Newlands and  
to Arbutus church Mr Hayes read prayers Mr  
Kinsey now lays preached. we all will the exception  
of Chas went to Bearwood. Mr Wilcox did all the  
duty,

1868

May 29. very fine morning I drove Uncle to Reading in Dogcart and we afterwards went to London by Express train went to Market and from thence were going to see a Model Mill, but the machinery was out of order it was not working and we did not go. Market rather cheafer for wheat we came down by 40 cwt team moving a dray, that self w had a game at cricket in the evening.

30 at home farming all the morning afterwards went to Wokingham not much doing. Mr. & Mrs. G. Higgs Uncle & Aunt drank tea with us.

31<sup>st</sup> very fine morning at home farming to instead carrying hay out of 15 acres but rain came on a slight shower which prevented showers in the evening Mr. & Mrs. Snell came to drink tea & supper with us. In evening went to bed before she arrived, too wet for cricket field instead no shot.

1848

June 1<sup>st</sup> Drying money at home all day  
showers came on which prevent me touching the  
hay. that chord I have were home left  
Bessy & Fanny to nurse Em who is still  
very poorly Mr Wheeler in daily attendance  
Mr & Mrs Walter May drank tea at Newbury

I had rain on the night - very refreshing for  
the crops which were begining to burn up.  
heavy rains in the day with Thunder much  
& Caleb came down. men began bearing  
in to a copse the weather having been so dry  
it was useless to attempt doing so before  
(Bessy laid at work filling up James Book  
(2 o'clock) Em's throat still very bad Mr Wheeler  
came. Joseph drove Bessy & Fanny home in  
the afternoon

3<sup>rd</sup> Went to Reading a rather large supply  
of wheat at Market which was extremely dull  
& cheaper. bought about 150 lbs at from 5s to  
35/- not much doing at the Bank. Em much  
the same.

2<sup>nd</sup> June 1848. I am much the same we  
neither of us went to church during the day.  
Much I must call on their return from Bear  
Wood church. Bessy came over in Bunces fly.

5<sup>th</sup> At home farming in all day weather more  
inclined to be settled turns hay in 15 acres.  
I am rather better. What I farm went to  
stay at Swallowsfield.

6<sup>th</sup> This morning Joseph went into Reading to  
fetch I Martini & I drove him in Dog cart  
with "Happy Jack" to Wokingham & then to Ascot  
we had a good shoot. Job Hale won by 2<sup>nd</sup> fastest  
sister to Hydrangea ridden by Thack. Cecil Hastings  
Duke of Richmond, Vampyre. The Queen not  
present in consequence of the death of Prince  
Sofia who was buried to day returned to Ascot  
never saw so few people at Ascot in my life  
return to Wokingham first Bank affair Gotelee  
did the rest. Carried hay out of 15 Acres stopped  
in consequence of flowers for 3 hours in the middle  
of the day.

1848.

7 June. At home early all day. I Martin went fishing caught one little trout afterwards went to town. W Wheeler came & vaccinated Wm from Little Harbor. Arthur Roberts came fishing stayed with us. Mr Lewis called in the afternoon finished carrying hay out of 15 acres made a visit at Linsay Farm began plowing Highland Meadow. Measons & Deady Races until 5 PM

8. Rather wet morning. Mr Cham Edmon Simons & Tilley came to Newlands to go to Races. Potlone shew in Newland & where "White stockings" a great many people at first but still it was consider'd a less assemblage than usual for the grand day. The Empress Plate was won by Hm Days Hero, she second time of his running it. ridden by Alfie Days there were 7 Races not very large fieldt we had a big heavy shower in the day our friends returned to Newlands to refreshment.

9<sup>th</sup> Mew money in Tandy's pieces. wheat coming  
out in ear fast some fields out in full heat.  
H.W. & G.L. May came down for fishing  
They went up the river in boat while  
I came down & stood a short time. I also caught  
two Jack. Went up the river I will &  
Lemons called on Mr Smith at his new  
residence (Tubbs) they dined with us & were  
boating up the water. I drove them up to  
the Newlands to tea. a very wet evening.

10<sup>th</sup> Knocked off moving again now having  
money hedge &c. Went to Reading a  
very short supply of wheat at Market which  
was one or two shillings dearoughing  
16/- ds at 5/- Mr Smith dined with us  
himself at the Bank. a very wet afternoon leaving

Whitlands

11<sup>th</sup> Fine money today. I did not go to church  
in the morn'g in consequence of a bad headache  
which I had been suffering from since yesterday  
12 o'clock. In itself both went to Reading

1868.

in the afternoon Mr. Kellogg did all the duty  
the Harmans came down I had a row  
up the river in the boat in the evening.

12<sup>th</sup> Line. Caleb came down to breakfast  
I afterwards drove him to Cookham Monday after  
Hobbs' to look at some sheep we bought  
150 ewes at 35/- I called at Mr. Berry's Hatchard's  
on my return went immediately to Arborfield  
to dine with club. Mr. Hayes didn't will us  
we had a crowded room 15th Members  
hand, had young potatoes & peas for dinner  
a pouring rain all the evening afterwards  
met to the stiff opposition of the holiday  
folks. Withers came over and I got him to  
drive me to Wokingham to see Beechey  
relative to contract to morrow & to buy  
medicine for wife & self. Took a calomel Pill  
which suffered from vz bad headache. Mr  
J. Harmans. Mare & colt taken into traps (Ick)

13<sup>th</sup> At home in the morning afterwards went  
to Wokingham. Beechey got the contract

June 1848.

at 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Engaged with him at 34 $\frac{1}{2}$ . 33 $\frac{1}{2}$  if that were cheaper 35 $\frac{1}{2}$  if deaver. Took Miss Baileaux to Wokingham by shower.

14<sup>th</sup> Drove Happy Jack to B Stots called at Swan Mr Terry bus. prop<sup>s</sup> Tax. settled purchase Silchester and sale at Worthing paid the mon<sup>ies</sup> for farm recd for latter. Not rather busy at the New<sup>ies</sup> May & June stayings at Fareham. Edmund Summons staying with Lm. all the Hay cut none carried.

15<sup>th</sup> At home faring &c ate dry carried hay out of Dandy's pieces

16<sup>th</sup> At home faring &c all the morning drove Em to Wokingham & round Barkham North in Dogcart in the evening called at Newhaven where he had been to Sandhurst with Much & Lewis

June 1848.

I dined there & Roberts drinking tea  
with them. co

17. Went to Reading a less supply at  
market when the Belc ring slave never  
knew a rather better supply afterwards  
brought about 100 lbs of flour 28 to 56  
it was considered 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  dearer. & Cooker  
dined with us at the Bank a damp  
evening.

18. A very wet morning drove Tom & myself  
to Swallowfield All went to Church  
with the exception of Jane Cooker's children  
a very small congregation. Mr Whitehead  
did the duty. we all assembled. seeing children  
to Cooker not much. we returned in the  
evening

19. St at home farming all day Teams staying  
in Gt Saco hills men bear hoing in the  
coffee

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3 Millwrights came over to put in new shaft  
(Water wheel.) house side. I went to dine  
at Swallowfield and then to Mr Lefevre's to see  
his house & gardens. Uncle came down in  
the evening. I had a walk back to Newlands  
Farm with him.

20<sup>th</sup>. At home writing faring to in the morning  
millwrights putting out old shaft. teams getting out  
dumb in water mead for found turnbs, men  
been having to. Afternoon went to Wokingham  
very busy there. Mr & Mrs Smith came to Lea  
& staid supper. Uncle & Aunt came down.  
Bess & family return from Swallowfield to  
Reading, fine day.

21. At home faring all day very cold  
dumb weather men been having to get out  
mains into Water Mead. Uncle went to a sale  
at the Bull of Heds place to the left below which  
he bought Shryl Valley at  $\$65$  t. in 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  ac.  
a ride in Dog cart to Newlands in the evening. Mr  
Perry came over to see how repairs were going on at  
Little Grove.

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June 22. at home writing & farming all day / some found turnips in Water mead weather more inclining for fine turnip day in Miller's pen  
Weighed the children. Mary - 35. John 29. William 17 $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs.

23. Got to Newlands at 1/ past 6 had breakfast and went with Uncle & Aunt. W<sup>m</sup> drove us in carriage & pair of horses through Shipton Mortimer, Bourton and Lechlade to the former looked over the premises. and to the old Malthouse which was then on through Bramz. Beaurepaire, The Kne. Sherborne to B. Stoke had a walk on the farm carrying bag which was very much injured and interests finished but a tremendous rain came on at 2 o'clock I knocked us off, corn certainly looking very well. Now I children spent the day in Reading

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June 24<sup>th</sup> A very wet morning cleared up in time to go to Market. a moderate supply of wheat bought about 70 lbs at from 46. to 54/- finished sowing turnips in Water Mead.

25. A very wet morning did not go to church in the morning. all went in the afternoon to Beamin Mr Wilmet did the duty. Harman & his Daughters &c self & A. Martyr had a row on the water in the evening,

26. at home in the morning Uncle came down to read agreement of purchase of Slydes place Took it afterwards to Wokingham, got N Roberts to file in Proprietary papers. sown three lawns of sweet corn 17 acres had a walk to Newbury in the evening expecting Dr Simons from St Omer to stay with us - that I failed went to Newbury to stay. Dr H. had a ride in the afternoon to Wokingham to give Proprietary returns to Capt. Mr Hollis. corn looking very well.

June 25<sup>th</sup>

Wet day - Church  
at 11 a.m. - 12 m.  
1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

June 26<sup>th</sup>

morning.

Wokingham

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27<sup>th</sup> June 1848. At home faring all the  
morning sowing swedes in 17 acres this side  
afternoons went to Wokingham. Edmund  
Simons came. May brought him as far  
as Rupels at Swallowfield he afterwards walked  
to Wokingham just in time to dine with  
me. rather busy there. Uncle & Aunt  
Safford came over. Harry Jack lame  
had a game at cricket in the evening.

28 At home faring all day sowing  
swedes in 17 acres. Newland teams  
straw playing & manure carting for us  
in 1st Dace hills. finished carting clover  
hay out of Millers field. we drank  
tea at Newlands and had a walk  
to the Combs in the evening.

29<sup>th</sup> At home faring all day divided  
& marked stock pens. sowed swedes in  
these hills. Harry staid and had a game  
at cricket in the evening Mr Grubb was  
coming but had gone. Edmund Cooper came over

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so joined us. He drove. Mr. Terz & Hause.

30<sup>th</sup>. At home faring so ele day sorrow  
swedes in Duce hills. Happy Jack lame from  
a master having formed in his ~~left~~ foot <sup>off</sup> behind  
caused by a blow or bruise.

July 1. Chas drove Edmund & self to Reading  
market as dull but considered 1<sup>st</sup> deer bought  
about 70 lbs.

2<sup>nd</sup>. & Linwood I went to Newlands and  
then walked on to blinch. (Uncle went  
out to call on Mr. Conroy) Mr. Hayes read  
prayers. Mr. White the new curate preached  
his first moving sermon. Rev. Dr. S. L. I went  
to Bearwood in the afternoon Mr. Wilmet read  
prayers Dr. Masters preached. A fine day  
& Linwood went to see Mr. Smith in the  
evening he was as strong & fit from gout.

3<sup>rd</sup> Aug 1848. at home farmy alldg  
weather so unsettled could not get on  
hay making.

4<sup>th</sup> at home farmy in the morning  
afterwards went to Wokingham & Limeras  
went with me drove Hilly Jack  
he was quite sound again.

5<sup>th</sup> Got up early drove to Limeras to  
B Stoke he went on to St Cross to  
see his Brother Robert who was very  
ill. not very busy at the Breezy walls  
till the last train for Limeras  
who came back with me got home  
at 1/2 past 10. R Limeras better.

6<sup>th</sup> July 1848 a very fine morning and hot day. Spent the day driving Harry Jack (Regatta dog) not very busy. & Emma went to see Mr Smith who was still very poorly.

7<sup>th</sup> A showery morning cleared up afterwards carried a little hay out of great meadow in the evening at home found L c all day that I farmed took possession of the Drug. No 2 Piccadilly began morning again.

8<sup>th</sup> Took & Emma up in the dog cart to the Drug that I Bessy went with us in the cart to Reading market estimate while Bessy came home with Uncle. carried hay out of Lt Meadow, sowing sowed in three hills.

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9<sup>th</sup> & Emma & I went to Newmarket Emma will us a pony and dog we got two walkers to church. Mr White read prayers Mr Hayes preached. Uncle & Aunt went to church. a report from Taplowhurst in the afternoon of the illness of Miss Lane (she died) Aunt went over just before she breathed her last. Uncle walked to the dog's drain tea there afterwards came on to a two walkers home with him.

10<sup>th</sup> Fine morning got on my best laymaking a shower came on in the day which hindered. carried hay in the evening in good order. puzzling time for hay making. Uncle went to Sandhurst and not Aunt home. I & Bessy went to see her. and afterwards went to Reading to get money L c for her. Mr Terz. James & brother came in the evening and had a game at cricket. William came & had supper.



- 23/5/47. Wheat @ 114 a quarter
- 26/-/- R Simonds Winchester  
James Simonds & Newbury
- 28/7/- John Walter Bearwood died
- 2/8/- Purchase of 100 Spanish Sheep  
@ 23/6
- 20/-/- Sandhurst for Blackcock, found none  
another party (fibbons) killed 3? or 9?
- 14/9/- Exchange with M<sup>r</sup> Walter  
Piece opposite Mole etc
- 16/10/- Knapps Abingdon Bank  
suspended payment
- 7/4/48. Prosecution of Bank Forgers  
who got 10 years transportation