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Michael & Oscar and John and
myself went across to Butlers Place this morning
to a load of hay to Chaff it we had it done before.
Dinner so the three of them came home with 2 Horses
in the Waggon and all the hay we had cut
they took over some more hay so we Chaffed that
too. Something over 50 Bags.
The P.M. At 10 P.M. with Butters & Oscar.

John Fitzgerald
Morgans Barrigone P.O.
Co Limerick Ireland

Oscar
to the tobacco 2/3

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her upon a sort of a Patent roller.

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so about 11 P.M. I took the slings away from her
and she walked up in the paddock

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for some wheat I gave him 3 Bags of wards profits I charged
him only 3/- per Bushel for it (12 Bushels in all)

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in the fore noon he did not stop long.

Monday May 5th

Warm again to day with a light Breeze from the South or South East.

I went down to the Whim this morning to see if Mr. Thorpe would lend me his ^{stump} jumping plough. he gave it to me all right but the horse had to go to Crystal Brook to get some shears for it. She had her journey for nothing as there was no share of the sort wanted in the Brook.

She paid the rates though before she left the Brook.

John Fitzgerald
Morgans Barrigone P.O.
Co Limerick Ireland

6 Scar
1 lb tobacco 2/3

Tuesday May 6th 1890.

Warm again to day with the wind from the South. There was signs of a change in the after noon. a drop of Rain would do some good just now.

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Old Mr. Fingleton Old Mr. Fungan came here before noon he did not stop long.



Saturday May 3rd 1880



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J. FITZGERALD

Myrtle Cottage Pirie

Wanderer P.O.

South Australia

May 3rd 1890

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Morgans Barrigone P.O.

Co Limerick Ireland

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Old Mr. Finigan Old M^r Finigan came here
in the fore noon he did not sleep long.

Wednesday May 7th 1890

Warm with a light Breeze from the South.
The Sky is showing great Signs of Rain to day
It looks Very gloomy all round.

Thursday May 8th

Warm again to day with the wind from the South and only a Very light Breeze.
Oscar was Ploughing to day I harrowed in a bit that was sowed there Couple of days but I had to sow some of it again the mice had A nearly all gon. Every Place is swarmed with mice this year they are Eating the seed off the ground as fast as it is sowed. We Killed about 5 or 6 hundred of them in the house with Poisons.

Oscar Killed 3 hundred in his room with it.

Michael went up to Davids Place this Evening
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Friday May 9th

Warm again with a light Breeze from the South and Showing great Signs of Rain.
The mare fell down this morning again as she was coming in from the paddock so we had another hard job to get her up again.

She seemed to stand on her legs all right when she did get up but for safety sake I left the slings under her in case she might fall down again. She eats and drinks all right — I think it is worms that is wrong with her. She is Very weak but she is not Very Poor.

Michael Came back from Davids Place this Evening. he will soon be Leaving this Country for good he is going home to Ireland on the 21st inst. to stop home he has enough of this Country now. but while he was in it he made good use of his time and saved his money to take home to Sweet Mountpleasant Shore & Co Limerick.

6 Saturday May 10th

Dull and Cloudy with a light Breeze from the South or South West

Michael and the M^{rs} and myself went to Port Pine today when we came home Jenny (the mare) was laying down before us so the Chaps and myself got her up again. Oscar was ploughing in the Mullinsing ground

Sunday May 11th

Clear day with a light Breeze from the South West.

Michael went to Port Pine to mass he came back again in the evening. he was in at Davids Place before he came here

Monday May 12th

Fine Weather with a light Breeze from the South or South West

Oscar was ploughing again today in the old Mullinsing. I was sowing and harrowing a bit along the Stump fence.

Tuesday May 13th 1890

Fine weather with a light breeze from the South. there was a lot of white fleecy clouds hanging around all day. Oscar was ploughing today again.

I was harrowing again today near the stump fence

Wednesday May 14th

Fine weather but showing signs of Rain there was a light Breeze from the South West.

I Painted Michael's Name on his Box this evening

8 Thursday May 15th

Cold to day with a light Breeze from the South. There was great Signs of Rain all day.

Michael and myself went to Port Pirie to day in the Buggy. Dewitt was in also with his Horse and Cart. Michael drew all his money out of the National Bank Pt Pirie he got an order from the Bank and sent it home he kept about 15 Pounds on him to day will be his last day in Port Pirie. Perhaps for ever. and Perhaps not when he gets home to the old Country he will be able to know better. Whether he will be able to stop home or not.

he called in to Dawds Place as we were coming home he did not stop long. We got home about 7 P.M. James Gurne came near soon afterwards to bid Michael good by he stopped until 11 P.M.

we had some singing and fun until then so we finished up then and went to bed.

9 Friday May 16th

Fine weather with a light Breeze from the South.

It turned Cold in the Evening though.

Michael and myself. Made a start this Morning for Port Adelaide. The M^r. drove us to Crystal Brook. We took the Train there at half Past 9 a.m.

when we got as far as Petersburg I sent a telegram to James Fitzsimons to Port Adelaide to meet us at the Railway station which he did. We arrived there about half Past 8 P.M.

So we went to the James Simmonds Place. We stopped chatting with Jim until nearly 2 a.m. in the Morning. We turned into bed then to have a rest a thing we much needed.

Saturday May 17th

Time with a light Breeze from the South.
we got up about 8 a.m. and had some breakfast
Soon after and after that we went up to Adelaide
the first thing we done when we got there was to go
to the Orient Shipping Agents to pay in the balance
of the Passage money. viz £17.6) the full Passage
money (is £17.17.) from Port Adelaide to Plymouth.

after we done our business there we turned our
steps then to the Museum and Art Gallery
we spent about one hour here having a good look
at all the Curio's from foreign Countries.

I cannot give an account of all we did see
as it would take a large Book to contain the
Descriptions of things and a better head than mine
to write them down. However we were well pleased
with what we saw there, So our next turn was to the
Zoo to have a good look at the Wild Animals
Tigers and Monkeys are the most Numerous.

the Gardens is a Very Pretty Place and it is well
worth ones while to go and see them when they would be in
adelaide that is I mean People from the Country.

we enjoyed ourselves very well for this day
So we went back to Port Adelaide in the Evening
Train again to James Simmonds.

Sunday May 18th

Dull and Cloudy with a light Cold Breeze from
the South. There was great signs of Rain all day
but none fell save a few drops in the afternoon.

Michael & myself went to Mass to Port Adelaide
this morning and when Mass was over we came back
and had some dinner and then went on
Board an English Men of War (the opel) that was
Laying in the Port Adelaide Stream there was a lot of
kettles on Board all day as the Ship was free
to the Public all day.

Monday May 19th

Cold and Cloudy to day with a light Breeze from the South.

We went up to Adelaide again to day
Mr. Fitzsimmons went with us we paid a Visit
to Mr. Michael Sheenrighan a his house
in Suberton we stopt about an hour and then
Came back again to Port Adelaide
James Fitzsimmons was home before us from
Stansbury he trades there in a Steamer from
Port Adelaide

Tuesday May 20th

Cold again to day with a light Breeze from
the South. we went to Adelaide again to day
Michael bought some Cloths
I Bought one Pipe to send home to Mr. John O Bell
Michael Bought 2 Pipes also to take home
so we came Back again to Simmons at Port.

Wednesday May 21st 13

Fine to day with a light Breeze from the South.
Michael got all his things ready this morning
and him and me went down to Lagers Pier
we then took the Steam Launch out to the Orient
I went on Board with Michael and saw him made
right there so then we bid each other Farewell and
I Came ashore again I Stopped at Lagers Bay
untill about 2 P.M. to see the Steamer sail but
she did not sail at that time so I was very ill
and could not stop longer so I Came back
to Simmons's and turned into bed and
Slept untill 6 P.M. I got up for a while then but I
had soon to go to bed again I was too sick to
stop up long.

I felt Lonesome also. after Parting
with my Brother Michael

Thursday May 22nd

Dull and Cloudy this morning and showing great signs of Rain and about noon it came down pretty heavy from the North. it lasted for a couple of hours

I went up to Adelaide this morning again to buy some few little things to bring home

I paid a visit to Father Jorgenson in North Adelaide. He wanted to know if I could get a little Boy from the District but he could not let me have one at present as they were all out in service so I came back in the evening again to James Fitzsimons.

I felt a little better to day thank God

Friday May 24th 15

This morning Broke fine and fair with a light breeze from the North or North West but about 9 a.m. it darkened up and the Rain commenced to fall heavy. I left Port Adelaide Railway Station this morning and it rained all the way coming home it only ceased as we were coming near Crystal Brook. Oscar was at the Brook to meet me with 2 Horses in Gerald Fitzgerald's Spring Cart. so my own Buggy got broke down while I was away.

When I came home the Dr. and Ellen Smith and the children were all bad with a heavy cold so the men had the Batch it for themselves

I brought a Pipe each to the 3 men no present.

16 Saturday Monday ²⁴
~~25th~~

Quite nice and warm to day with a light Breeze from the South but the Sky was showing Signs of some more Rain

The M^r and myself went to Port Pirie to day I was not very well to day I Paid M^r Kneesa 10/6 Ten and six pence Balance on a Bag of Flour

I got a Bottle of Rum there also I Paid 4/6 for it

Sunday May ²⁵
~~26th~~

Dull and Cloudy with a light Breeze from the South

The M^r was ill this morning She got a fresh Cold Coming home from Port Pirie yesterday Oscar & John went down to Port Pirie this afternoon Oscar put his boxes in the Cart and Broke it before he came back Frank Walsh came here this evening

Monday May ²⁶
~~27th~~ 17

Fine weather with a light Breeze from the South.

The M^r was very bad all last Night I was not very well myself either.

Oscar was ploughing in the Mullensing again to day.

Tuesday May ²⁷
~~28th~~

Fine again to day with a light Breeze from the South, or South West.

I commenced to sow some bearded Wheat in Mullensing to day and Oscar was ploughing

I am using a plank and Chains for covering the seed



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28th
Wednesday May 28th

Fine with a light breeze from the South West.

Oscar was ploughing again to day
he finished the old Piece he was ploughing
so he commenced in the New Piece we done
last year.

John & Johnson was fencing the scrub
Garden. John has commenced to work for
himself to day, they have not the grubbing finished
yet but they will do that when they will have more time.
Oscar and John is going in for gardening
this year. I gave them the scrub garden
and another Bit to grub for to Plant some
Potatoes.

Johnson

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Thursday May 30th 19

Fine to day again with a light breeze from
the South. Oscar was ploughing again to
day. Johnson has commenced to work for

me to day at weekly work. I think I will keep
him for a while now. I have not made up my mind what
wages to give him yet.

What
I will give him ten shillings per week. He is satisfied as
I had to take the Mrs. to Port Pirie to the
Doctor. She was so ill. I took her to Dr. Monson
and he said she was very low indeed and wanted
great care indeed. He gave her a prescription
to Mr. Skewes the Chemist for some medicine.
I paid 2 shillings and one shilling for a Plaster
to put on her Breast.

She seemed a good bit better coming
home.

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Friday May 31st 1890.

Fine weather with a light Breeze from the South. I was sowing again to day in the old Mullinsing. I was Planking it in the aft. noon Oscar was ploughing and Johnson was burning some straw and rubbish before him.

Saturday May 1st 1890.

Fine weather with a light Breeze from the South. I was sowing in the Mullinsing again to day I finished it Johnson was Planking it all day.

The M^r. and Katy went to Port Pirie to day. She took in some fowl and a turkey. She went to Doctor Monro again to day and gave him another five shillings for his advice his medicine don't seem to do her much good. She Paid 3 shillings to Skewes for the medicine.

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2nd 1890

Sunday June 2nd 1890

Waker Coldest to day with a light Breeze from the South there was a few drops of Rain in the morning but the day cleared up afterwards.

Jenny (the mare) was laying down this morning again. So the Chapo and Thorpes Man and myself lifted her up again. She was not up when she was down again so we lifted her again and then she walked away.

Oscar & Thorpes Man had a race with their horses for 10/ ten shillings Oscar won the race and money.

So after dinner Oscar John and myself went to Joseph Gablicks. Oscar and John wanted some Cabbage and onions plants. They got 5 hundred Cabbage Plants and 100 onions. They are one shilling per hundred. we went then on foot.

Monday June 2nd 1890.

Nic. warm day with a light Breeze from the South. I was ploughing myself to day in the New Mullinsing Johnson was cross Plankting the other Mullinsing.

Oliver has left my service to day he is going gardening with John So Samidone with him this time.

Tuesday June 3rd

Fine Clear day with a light Breeze from the South. I was ploughing again to day and Johnson was burning rubbish off the Ground Johnson and myself killed a Pig this Evening John gave us a hand with it.

Oliver went up to Hunt's Lovelocks for some onions Plants but got none. He took darky and the boy and brought me the head of Charlie Munro stump jumping harrow.

Wednesday June 4th 1890.

rather windy to day it was from the North, and very dry. it seemed to show signs of some rain all day.

I sowed some bearded Wheat in the New Mullinsing to day and Johnson was harrowing it in. I went down to the Whim at dinner time for some salt and Flour but I got very little of either. I wanted the salt to salt the Pig. I brought home a bottle of wine with me.

Thursday June 5th 1890.

Fine with a dry Northerly wind the sky showed signs of a change this afternoon. I sowed some more Whit Perl wheat to day and Johnson was harrowing it in.

Paty went down to Charlie Parkers this Evening for some flour and salt Rhe only got flour.

Friday June 8th

Fine with a light Breeze from the South
I was sowing more Velvet Perl to day
and Johnson was harrowing it in
the m^{rs} went down to m^{rs} Greys for some
Salt as we were short of salt for the Port

Saturday June 9th

Fine with a light Breeze from the
South I went looking for 2 of my Horses
this morning I found them up near Charles
Nunns when I came back with them the
m^{rs} took the 2 of them to Port
She brought on Bag of flour from Pineau &
she paid 1/- on it

Oscar went also on Horse Back
he wanted the m^{rs} to get him some Potatoes
but she could not she had some much things

Sunday June 10th 25

Dull Cloudy sort of weather with a light
Breeze from the South or South-West.
I have not much to write to day none of us went
any where only Oscar went up to John Walkers
to see about some Grubbing

Monday June 11th

Dull Cloudy weather to day again With the
Wind from the South West it was showing great
Signs of Rain so in the after noon the Wind
shifted from the South West to the North and
then it commenced to Rain fine and steady
that was about 3 P.m.

It is now half Past 9 p.m. and is still Rainy
I think we will get a good fall this
time again The Night looks settling in
for it Properly

Tuesday June 10th

Fine Weather after the Rain. It Rained a good lot of Rain last Night and this Evening about 5 P.M. there was a black Bank of Clouds Coming up from the West so it was not long until it broke and came down in torrents it lasted about half an hour and then cleared off. Johnson was ploughing again to day John & Oscar was mending and washing their cloths in the fore room and they were grubbing in the after room.

I Satted another Pig this Evening Oscar and John killed her yesterday Evening I have 2 Pigs in the tub now.

Wednesday June 11th

Possibly fine after the Rain there was a light Breeze from the North or North-West. It Rained a good Shower in the Evening just at dusk.

The Ground is thourly wet now. after all the Rain Johnson was ploughing again to day I have in fact for the Horses now so I have to work them each team half a day.

Thursday June 12th

Fine with a lively Breeze from the North-West. It Rained a small Shower this morning again and showed signs of some more but it cleared up after all and turned out a fine day. Johnson was ploughing again to day Oscar & John went to Paris to buy themselves some axes and cooking utensils. They got on horse at Hospes

and a saddle.

Friday June ¹³ ~~14~~

Windy to day there was a strong breeze from the North and about half past 8 a.m. it commenced to rain and continued until noon it ceased a bit then but soon came down again it rained at intervals all the after noon.

Johnson was ploughing again to day and Oscar & John commenced to cut up wood for me where John grubbed but the rain knocked them off before dinner.

Oscar put in his day mending the harness I sent John to Lovelocks in the after noon for 200 Cabbage plants we planted some after he came back.

I will give John a half day for what he does to day himself and Oscar is to give me 8 nine days work each for two acres of ground for next year.

Saturday June ¹⁴ ~~15~~ 29.

Very stormy again to day from the North-West the Mr. and Betty went to Port Pirie to day with the 2 horses in the cart. and Oscar and John was cutting wood for me in the scrub. Johnson was ploughing.

Sunday June ¹⁵ ~~16~~

Cold with a strong breeze from the North-West. The Mr. and Lizzy and myself went down to Cleve to Stephens on a visit before I came away I bought a sow pig from Mr. Stephens for one pound. I left her there for one week.

I also spoke to him about his place I think it will suit Oscar, Stephens want 12 pounds for the 15 acres and the 3 roomed house. and every thing complete.

Monday June 16th

there was a strong gale from the North West
there was a heavy shower in the afternoon. there was
some hail stones also.

The M^{rs} went to Crystal Brook this afternoon
for some Karsin. Oil and Sugar. She paid M^{rs}
Charlie Parker the Flour she borrowed from her
she paid M^{rs} Thorpe hers also.

Oscar went down to Stephens this
morning to see about buying the place
he sold his Horse to M^{rs} Stephens for £10.
he is to give Stephens £11 more with the for the
place the Horse for the place the money to be
paid his six pounds in 2 months & 5 pounds in
12 months then the purchase will be complete
John & himself went up to John Halsey
this morning to commence grubbing
I lent them the Cart and Horses to take
their things up

Tuesday June 17th 31

Fine today with a light breeze from
the South West. There was signs of Rain in
the Evening. Still none up to the present 10 P.M.

Johnson was ploughing again I was ill myself
I spent a very bad Night Coughing until
daylight in the morning

John & Oscar came here this Evening
for some Potatoes and some meat and sugar.
we gave them 16 lbs of Potatoes and six ½ lbs of
Bacon and 3 lbs of sugar.

Wednesday June 18th

Fine with a light breeze from the North West

Johnson finished ploughing the New
Mullerising he finished at Noon.
he then went up to Charlie Nunn's for the lend of his
harrow. The M^{rs} went out to M^{rs} O'Loughlin for a bag
of Fowl feed she paid 5/-
for it

Thursday June 18

Possibly fine to day with lively Breeze
Breezy from the North West.

There was Signs of Rain all day but none
fell untill Evening a Shower fell after dark

I sowed some more Velvet Peril
this after noon Johnson was Cutting manure
at the Well Garden in the fore noon
and in the after noon he was harrowing

Friday June 20th 1890

Fine weather with a light breeze from the North
West. It showed signs of Rain in the Evening
a good lot of Rain fell Last Night
we have Rain nearly every day now P.M.
It is Raining now.

I sowed some more Velvet Peril wheat to day
We made a finish of for this year

Saturday June 21st

Cloudy and Very Cold all Day
and Showing Signs of more Rain
there was some Rain in the morning

John came here this morning as
he was sick and could not work

Johnson was Cutting Shoots all
Day.

Mr. M. & myself. Went to Tins
to Day. She took in 16 lbs of Butter (P.M.)

Sunday June 22nd

Wind to day and Very Showery. The wind
was from the North West. It Rained a good
lot Last Night

Mr. Stephens' Man came here to day
to take away O'Scars horse Oscar so
him to Stephens for £10

Monday June 23rd

Possibly fine the wind was from the South West there was a few showers of Rain also. I was planting some more onions to day John was helping me

I Caught in a tub of water Last Night 384 mice I had a bag of Wheat alongside of it the mice this year is something dreadful Every Place is full of them.

Tuesday June 24th

Fine with a light Breeze from the South. there was a few drops of Rain at noon

I thought there would be more as there was a good many fleecy clouds hanging about all day. John left here this morning to go to CScar in John Walsh's Place.

I was planting some more onions

Wednesday June 25th

Cold with a light Breeze from the South. it seemed to show signs of rain in the Evening again there was a black Bank of clouds forming up from the South West.

Johnson was casting manure to the garden in the fore noon and cutting Mallee shoots in the after noon.

I was planting onions myself in the Garden I have the best part of them planted now.

Thursday June 26th

Cold with a light Breeze from the South. there was great signs of rain all day but still none fell.

I went down to Mr. Stephens's this after noon for the Pig I bought from him Johnson went with me

FRIDAY June 27

Fine Weather with a light Breeze from the South.

Johnson was cutting bushes this forenoon. and Carting them out for to fix the fence

I went to the Crossing this afternoon to get the Step of the Spring Cart mended by Scott's I got a Cold Chess made also. It was the price of the 2 articles John Wickstad came here this evening he is sick again he has left Oscar

Saturday June 28th

fine Weather with a light Breeze from the South the M^{rs} went to Port Pirie to Day she took in 17 lbs of Butter it is only 7/7 I put on a Load of wood in afternoon. Res the M^{rs}

Sunday June 29th

Dull and cloudy Sort of weather with the Wind from the South and Very Cold.

Oscar Bohlin came here this forenoon. he stayed until 8 or 10 o'clock

I sold him 4 lbs of Bacon when he was going away Thorpe's Man (the Norwegan) came here for a while and Peter Hanson (the Dane) came with him Peter did not come inside at least I never asked him in he came out to this Country this time in the Ship Silverhorn to Port Pirie ^{on the 2nd} M^{rs} Gregg came here this evening with a turkey ^{roaster}

Monday June 30th

Cold with a lively Breeze from the South or South-West. it showed Signs of Rain. all day So soon after dark it commenced I believe it will Rain all Night

John Wickstad commenced to grub the day again he has 8 1/2 Chains to do to finish the Per. Oscar is giving him 4/- to take some stumps out of where he grubbed

My Good wishes and kindest regards
and wishing you a hearty Good Speed.

Tuesday July 1st 1890

Raining again this morning from the South West. it Rained a good lot last Night I believe about one inch. it Cleared up about 10 a.m. but still there was a good many fleecy clouds hanging around all day.

Johnson was fixing the fence again to day.

John was grubbing again to day. Alice M^{rs} Queen could hear this Evening for his Book I gave it to him.

Wednesday July 2nd

Fine weather with a very light Breeze from the North West.

I was planting some Cabbages to day and Johnson was carting of stumps from the Place O sea. & John grubbed. Kathy saw someone pass by the Window about 8 P.M.

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Thursday July 3rd 1890

Fine with a light Breeze from the North & West. it Came up cold in the Evening and Showing Signs of Rain.

about 4 P.M. it Rained a good Shower.

Johnson was cutting Bushes and fixing the Sheep paddock.

I went to Port Pirie this afternoon. I went to see Mr E. Ray the Brick Maker about selling him some wood. he don't want any at the present but he will let me know when he is ready to take some.

I then Came Back home but I called in to Malones. as I was coming past I stopped there until 8 P.M.

Friday July 4th

Warm & dry with a light breeze from the North-West.

Johnson was carting off some stumps off the Mullinsing we broke them up then and loaded them up on the barge and took them up to Antony Malone's 10/- was the price of the load. I did not get paid.

John finished the grubbing today. I sold some gravel this morning to the mason that is going to build the cottage at the Cockins Crossing & at 1/- per yard & he is to rise it and cart it himself.

Saturday July 5th

Fine weather with a light breeze from the North-West. The Mr & Mrs went to Port Pirie today with 19 lbs of Butter it only cost 9 pence.

Tuesday July 7th

it blew very hard all last night from the North-West. it rained heavy also. it blew hard all this day also but the wind veered round to the South-West. there was a few showers. but it showed great signs of some more.

The Mr & Mrs went out to Wandearah to Mr O'Loughlins for some fowl feed. She got only a half a bag. he could spare no more.

John was digging in the scrub garden today and Johnson was fixing the fence of the sheep paddock.

An insurance man called here this morning but I don do business with him.

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Wednesday July 8th

Beautiful and fine to day there was a light Breeze from the South.

Johnson finished the fence of the Sheep Paddock & John was digging in the Scrub Garden.

I was planting some more Cabbages to day - Old Dan Ryan ^{Parkes} came here to day he stayed for a Couple of hours.

Thursday July 9th

Cold this morning with a good frost for the first time this year there was a light Breeze from the North West.

Johnson was casting ~~wood~~ manure to the ground that Oscar & John grubbed I think I will plant some potatoes in it John was grubbing for me today day work I went up to John's place this evening to see

Friday July 10th 45

Cold with a nice Breeze from the South West. there was signs of Rain all day and at 3 P.M. it commenced from the North West and continued for about one hour it Rained heavy during that time.

John & Johnson was grubbing for me to day again and I loaded a Load of small miller Stumps on the Dray to take to Port Pirie tomorrow.

Saturday July 11th

Fine weather with a light Breeze from the South the Mrs & myself went to Port Pirie to day she had 20 lbs of Butter with her she got 1/9 Per Pound for it I sent Johnson in also with the 3 Horses and the Dray with a Load of small stumps I sold them to Mr Mc Antee for 18/-

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I sent home 5 bags of Potatoes on the
Dray they are 7/- per Cwt. I want to plant
them John wants to plant some too.
The 9th got some meat at Harmer's

Sunday July 12th

Fine with a light Breeze from the South
Oscar and his mate came here this
after noon. So myself and him went down to
Nat Stephens. I wanted to see about a block
of Land. and Oscar to see about his place
when we came back Oscars mate and
John & Johnson were nearly drunk they sent
for 6 or 8 Bottles of wine to the Whim
they had a row when they were going to bed
but no strokes took place

I made Oscar & his mate sleep inside in
the house. Paddy Fitzgerald's Stoves have also
Thorp had 3 of my Horses in his yard all day

Monday July 13th 47

Warm to day with a light breeze from the South
Thorp had the Six Horses in his yard this morning
again he sent his men to the Wandsworth Pound
with them in the after noon

I went down to the whim in the Evening to see about
them but they were gone

Oscar & his mate Jack the Ripper, and John
and Johnson were cutting up wood for me today
and I was heaping it up after them
Paddy Fitzgerald went away this morning

Tuesday July 14th

Nice Weather with a light Cold Breeze from
South. The weather seems to be showing up
Frost again. The 4 men was cutting up
wood to day again
I was heaping it up I put a load on the dray also

My Good wishes and kindest regards
and wishing you a hearty Good Speed.

Wednesday July 15th

Frosty this morning there was a light Breeze from the North all day.

I think we will have some more frost to Night Oscar went in to Port Pirie to day on his own buisness to get a transfer of the Land from Nat Stephens

I sent in a Load of Wood on the Bray with him to Harmer the butcher he had ^{tons} 12.000 and John & Johnson and the other John was cutting up Wood all day and I was gathering it up

Oscar went down to the Wandearah Round this morning for side of Day yesterday

horses Harps put in there he put some Shilling Per on them

Thursday July 16th

Fine with a light Breeze from the North West there was a light frost last Night again

The 4 men was cutting up the wood again to day

So just as we had our dinner finished who should come to the House but an old School Mate ^(Thomas Guar) from fresh from the old Country (Ireland) I knew him at the second glance

he came in then and had some dinner

So I put the Horses in the Cart and him and me went up to Crystal Brook to bring home his two sisters (Namely Bridget & Cathrine)

When we got to the Brook I went in to the Hotel to have a talk with them. but Bridget knew me at once, and had not seen me for 14 years. we got the Boxes in the Cart then and came away home.

James Guar came here soon afterwards & stop until 12 o'clock midnight.

Friday July 17th

Fine weather with a light breeze from the North West. The men were cutting again to day. Tom Guare and myself put a Load of Wood on the Dray in the afternoon.

Saturday July 18th

Nice warm day with a light breeze from the South West.

I sent Johnson to the Port with the ^{Dray} Load of Wood and the Mr. and Bridget and myself went in also. I sold A. to Mr. Giddies for 4/1. Per ton come ton 13.2. I paid me for 5. I got one Bundle of Barb. wire at Prests 11.8. and I also got one Bag of Flour at Pinner's. I did not pay for it to day. The men finished the cutting to day.

Sunday July 18th

Cold and Cloudy all day with a lively breeze from the South West. But it freshened up to a Regular Storm soon after dark. accompanied with Rain.

James Guare came here this morning with David's Cart to take his 2 sisters up. to David's place for a while, they came back in the Evening again.

I paid John Roberts this morning 10 Shillings and a 1/2 lb of Tobacco for his weeks work cutting Wood.

Monday July 20th

Passably fine this morning still there was a good breeze from the South West. Johnson was carting manure for Potatoes planting to day and John was digging in the Scrub Garden & himself for Potatoes planting.

Tuesday 21st

Fine today with a good breeze from the North-West.

Johnson was ploughing to day the bit of ground that Oscar and John grubbed.

I am going to put Potatoes in it

Wednesday July 22nd

Fine Weather with a light breeze from the North-West. there was signs of Rain also.

I took Thomas Bridget and Cattle Guard and their boxes up to Crystal Brook this afternoon to go up to Broken Hill in the evening train

there was a good Shower of Rain as I was coming home

Weithams man called here to say he gave me a Bill of the Ballance of the machine £4..2..

Thursday July 23rd

Fine and warm to day there was great signs of Rain this morning but it cleared off and turned out to be a fine day until near Sun down when a good Shower of Rain fell and turned very cold. the wind was from the South-West but it changed to the South-East in the Evening and showed signs of frost.

I went to Port Pirie to day with a Load of Wood to M^r. Geddes the Timber Merchant I only had ^{tons} 3 ^{cwt.} on at 8/ per ton.

Friday July 24th

fine again to day with a light breeze from the South West.

I loaded up a heavy Load of Stumps to day and took them up to Anthony Malones I did not get Paid for it

2 Saturday July 26th 1890

Fine Weather with a light Breeze from the South.. West. There was a nice Clear Sky all day. The M^r and Oscar went to port Pirie to Oscar went in to buy some clothes. he bought a Trowsers & Coat for £2..3..4.

I was planting some potatoes all day John gave me a hand after dinner untill Night Johnson was idle to day yesterday and the day before (3 days) he is not well I posted a letter to my sister in America to day Sunday July 27th

Fine again with a light breeze from the South.. West.

I have nothing much to record to day as no one went anywhere or no one came here.

I settled up with John & Johnson to day John had 1/- coming to him after the grubbing, and Johnson £4..4.. up to date.

Sunday August 30th

Cold this morning with a sharp South.. West Breeze it showed signs of Rain also. and at half past 12 or 1 o'clock a good shower fell it lasted about a half and hour.

M^r & W^m Stephens and his 2 daughters went away from here this morning to go to their New place in the North.

The M^r and Katy went to the Post with butter She paid M^r Preece 1/- a ball on Bay of Four.

I went with Oscar down to No. 11. to his New place or rather the place he bought from Mr. Stephens.

we fixed up the windows and put every thing that was outside in the house. There was a lot of things inside the fence in Sam Richardsons place he said Stephens gave them to him but afterwards

Michael Walshes this afternoon.
W. Stephens wanted to see Bridget
Walsh. They came back again at dark.
Monty Stephens came here this morning.
I sent Antony Malone one of my horses for
a week. Lucky his Brother is up from Adelaide.
Friday 2nd

Fine, mild weather with a light Breeze from
the North West.

M. Stephens came here this morning
from the Whim. So he then put 2 of his horses in
a trap and went to Port Pirie. He came back
again and stopped for the night.
Antony Malone and Ted Manders and
two young men. one of them was Antony's
brother. Came here about 8 P.M. They stopped
until twelve midnight.
Antony went home before they did.

Monday 4th

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Passably fine with a light Breeze from the
West. It showed some signs of Rain
in the fore noon.

John Wikstrand (the Swede) left
me this morning. He signed a paper last
night to stop until the 15th of October
but he soon changed his mind and left for
Gord.

So another Sailor came here as he was
leaving. This Sailor's Name is James Tallor.
So him and myself went at the fence. all day
I don't know how long he will stop.

Tuesday August 5th

Showery to day with a lively Breeze from
the South West. Jim the Sailor and myself
was at the fence to day again.

Wednesday August 6th

Showery again to day with a light breeze from South-West.

We were at the fence again to day we finished the wire we had.

Thursday August 7th

Nice and warm to day with a light Breeze from the North. there was a light frost this morning.

I went to Port Pirie to day with the cart and brought home one bundle of barbed wire and one Bundle of No 8 steel wire the steel wire is 14/6 and the barbed is £1..10..6

Jim was putting down more Posts. he finished the cross line.

I bought a 5¹/₂ bit for 2/6

I got a letter from Adelaide on the 5th Coth Wetherill

and blessed prince's leg.

Jenny the Cow. Calved this afternoon we had to pull the Calve from her but they both got on all right after. it is a bull Calve.

Mr Thorpe's Boy (Alfie Williams) Came here this morning for a Loaf of Bread and some potatoes which he got.

Wednesday August 14th

Possibly fine with a strong Breeze from the North-West.

We were fencing again to day

Friday August 15th

fine with a light breeze from the South all day we were fencing to day also.

an old man (Mr. Johnson) Came here this Evening he had a Spring dog and 2 horses, he sharpened 2 saws.

for me for 5/- another traveler stopped also John, Cometha

Saturday August 16th

Fine with a light breeze from the South.
The Mr^s and myself went to Port Pirie today we
had 33 lbs of butter and 2 pair of fowl.

The Mr^s was not well either. She was ill in the Port
and coming home but she thought it would
be nothing.

I was speaking to Gerald Fitzgerald about
my Buggy he cannot do it now as he has
taken up the business of a Black Smith.

I paid him 9/6 that I owed him he has the Cart
for sale now. Oscar might buy it from him.

Sunday August 17th

Fine with a light Breeze from the South.

The Mr^s was no better this morning so I sent Oscar
to the Port to get some medicine from Mr^s S. Kewer
the Chemist. he was home again at sundown with the medicine.

(I gave Johnson the Book he Lost)

Sunday August 18th

Fine mild weather with a light Breeze from the
South or South West.

The Mr^s was very ill today but she got a little better
at night fall. I went to Malones this afternoon
to know if Mr^s Malone knew of anything that would
be good for her. but she did not know of anything
that would be good for such a case.

She gave me some oatmeal as it was the only
thing she thought would be any use.

Mr^s William William.

Mr^s William Walsh came here this
morning he wanted me to come out to the
Road to see an Intire Horse belong to a friend
of his he is going to travel this District this year.
The Horse belongs to a man named Hearn from
Rapunza. I gave him no promise of a mare.

George Firme's Horse also called in the
Evening I gave him none either.

Tuesday August 19th

Fine weather with a light breeze from the South or South-West. There was a nice clear sky all day.

We were fixing the fence along Parker's Road to day again. We also put on a load of wood in the afternoon.

Wednesday August 20th

Fine warm weather to day again. with a light breeze from the South.

I started to go to the Post with a load of wood. but when I got as far as Mr. Lovelock's sand hill, the Horses

stuck me up and would not pull so I had to throw off the most of my load before they would pull it. Mr. Lovelock & Mr. Fidge were helping me. I took the Horses out and came home

and then went burning scrub.

Jim was heaping it up.

Oscar. John and Johnson came here this evening. Oscar wanted a bit of flour and John and Johnson went to the Whim and got a gallon of wine they came by the House as they were coming back. but did not come inside. they did not stop long near the House they went away a bit. and Jim went with them.

I could hear them from the House arguing amongst themselves they had high words. they stayed I think nearly 2 hours up in the paddock arguing and swearing in their own language. My name was brought in question also.

10 P.M. Jim did not come back yet so I put the Cows out myself.

Sowdys and Lord of Clide came here to stay they are 2 roadsters Horses.

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Thursday August 21st

Fine warm weather with a light breeze from the North. The sun was very warm at noon.

I went to Port Pirie to day with a load of wood to Mr. Geddes. I had 2 tons. 3^{cents} @ 8/- Per ton.

I paid off James Fallon when I came home. There was a balance of seven shillings 7/- Commung to him he worked 2 weeks and 3 days at 10/- Per week. He was a man I would not like to keep. He was too fond of bad language.

Friday August 22nd

Warm again to day there was a light breeze from the North all day. I was jobing about the house all day. I cleaned up the dairy and fixed it up a bit.

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Tuesday August 26th

Showery again to day. It rained very heavy in the afternoon. It is now 10 P.M. and is still raining from the North. and shows every signs of it all night.

Oscar came here this evening to stop. to go to the Crystal Brook Show. William Wallace and myself was jobing about all day.

Wednesday August 27th

Stormy and Showery to day. The wind was from the North or North West. It cleared up a bit in the afternoon.

So then Oscar and myself went to the Crystal Brook Show. The Show was not quite so good as last year at least there was not so many people here but that was on account

of the Bad State of the Roads and
the morning being so wet. The Horses
jumping was very good a man named
M^r Donald won 3 prizes for jumping
the Governor (Lord & Lady Kintore)
were present there also they came to the ground
with D^r & M^r Parkinson they had a
good walk about the ground and then
went back to the Township.

Oscar and myself left the ground before
sundown. M^r Stephen and Kelly Stephens
stopped here they have left No. 11. in Wondarrah
and is going up to the North to their New place
on Friday.

Thursday August 28th
Fine to day with a light breeze from the North
West until the afternoon then it shifted to the South.
there was a lot of short lightning this evening
the M^r & M^r Stephens and Kelly went up to

Wednesday September 3rd

Very warm again to day with a light breeze
from the North West. but it veered round to the
South West in the evening.

I went to the Port to day again with another load
of wood to M^r Geddes. I had ^{tons cut} 2 " 10 " 3 1/4
I was home before sundown.

Thursday September 10th

Warm again to day with a light breeze
from the North West there was great signs of
of rain all day the sky looked very gloomy
all day.

I went to Port Pirie again to day with another
load of wood I had ^{tons cut} 2 " 13 " on
I took it to M^r Geddes.

Just as I got home it commenced to rain
from the West it rained nearly all night.

Friday September 5th

It was a bit cold to day there was a light breeze from the South West. There were a few showers in the morning and then it cleared up for the day. William was carting out wood from the Crab all day and myself was Jobbing about the house.

Saturday September 6th

Fine day with a light breeze from the South. I went to Port Pirie again with a load of wood to Mr. Seddes. I had 2nd B. I settled up to day I had 10 tons in. I got a Cheque for £4. The Mr. was in also with butter. I went down to the Warfe to get a bag of wheat for the fowls I paid 7/6 for it. I sold 3 dozen of Eggs to the Mate of the Barque Jamaica. 2/7 Per dozen the Captain told me to bring him 20 lbs of Butter Next Saturday and 5 dozen of Eggs.

Wednesday Sep 10th

Fine weather with a light breeze from the South or South-West. William and myself put on another Load of wood to day.

Mr. Rames called here to day with his horse (Sydney Mgon) I am going to put on more to him his charge is 2 pounds 10 Shillings

Thursday September 11th

Fine weather with a light breeze from the North or North-West. I went to Port Pirie to day again with a Load of wood to Mr. Moffett as payment for the wheels. after I had my load off. I came down to Presto yard and fixed the buggy Behind the Wagon and brought it and the wheels I got from Moffett's home.

Friday September 12th

fine weather with a light Breeze from the South West I took the Buggy across to Slick M^r Queen this morning to get a new Collar on the axle and to put the Bot in one wheel.

We got it fixed up as well as we could.

Saturday September 13th

fine weather again with a light breeze from the North West the W^r and myself went to Port Pine today we had 38 lbs of butter and 8 doz of Eggs I sold 12 lbs and 8 doz of Eggs to the Captain of the Barque Jamaica for \$1/9 and 1/7 for the Eggs

Anthony Malone wanted to pay the W^r one Pound for the kind of Lucy but I would not let him take it

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7.. 16.. 4
6.. 13..
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7.. 17..

Boots 11/6
Hat 3/6
Tobacco 1/1
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18.. 1