

DIARY OF THE FARM

Giving most important items concerning the yield of grain and amount of land cultivated and kind of crops raised there on with time of sowing, reaping, thrashing &c.

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1879 - 1894

Jan. 1st. 1879 - which was the year of the division of the Society which took place February 1879 - each family then working for themselves.

Sowed on Epperson field of 60 acres 90 bushel of wheat in two parts, 20 acres at lower end in yellow. Laminen and 40 at other end in Fultz.

^[super] Sowed in 8 acre field 12 bushel of wheat called Clawson white.

Sowed in Mill field 16 acres of rye, put 24 bushel ^{into} _[upon] it.

March 29th, 1878. Bought a new mowing machine, a new kind called "The new Champion).

Oct. 20th Sowed 9 acres of Timothy at the farm in small field opposite A. Psurchell's adjoining M. Elroy's farm.

Jan. 6th, 1879. The Kentucky River froze over the thermometer 19° below zero; ice 8 in thick.

Jan. 13th, 1879. The river still frozen over, crossed with buggy, a two horse team and crossed every day for a week with teams hauling freights from R.R. also on horse back, ice said to be 18in. thick.

^[2 acres] Feb. 3rd. Fenced off a lot in orchard said to contain ~~hedges~~ (?) also took up old stumps &c. expect to put it in potatoes.

Feb. 7th, Broke up ground for potatoes, the first time.

Feb. 13th, Finished fence across the woods pasture at farm

March 12, Broke ground for potatoes in hen lot.

March 13, Started to hull clover seed, got out 13 bushels of cleaned seed when the masher gave out.

March 14, Finished fence across clover field at farm.