

Many Events occurred in this region before my time that are worthy of preservation and Mention. So of which I have learned from the Old People living now and others were related by persons that are dead at this time, have aimed at accuracy of dates and facts. So far as I could get them, There are Many others doubtless that would be of Interest if they had been preserved. Those that I have learned I give in the following pages, J. E. Younglove.

1808

In the winter of 1808 one of the highest rises occurred in Barren River that was ever known. Certainly nothing like it has occurred since, have had many rises since that date in which the water beyond the foot Bridge covered the roadbed several feet. Notably in Feb. 1874 and June 1885 also Feb. 14, 1880 but the Rise in 1808 must have been from 6 to 8 feet higher than the highest mark of other years. Old Adam Bratton told his Brother in law Alexander Graham and showed him the place just above the present foot bridge where he loaded a Flat Boat with Hogheads of Tobacco from the Bank or Bluff and he also with a tin cup while sitting upon the bank or Bluff dipped water from the River the said Bluff is about 40 feet above the ordinary stage of water.

1811

In the year 1811 occurred an earthquake which was felt here for several days the houses shaking so much that the dishes in the cupboards and shelves rattled and causing great consternation among the inhabitants in this region. Many of them were so much frightened that they met in the churches for Prayer and supplication. The greatest disturbance was at New Madrid, Mo. and opposite there in Ky & Tennessee. Mr. Thomas L. Stephens from this county was on a Flat Boat going down the Mississippi River to New Orleans and happened to be near New Madrid when the greatest disturbance occurred, his Boat was carried up stream by the waves for 10 or 12 miles, at that time Reel Foot Lake was formed which is partly in Ky. & Tennessee by the Land sinking where Reel Foot Creek was the Lake is now from $\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 miles wide and about 17 miles long which is now filled with Fish and a great resort for Wild Ducks and other Game. The first shock occurred about 2 o'clock at night, Dec. 16th 1811 others followed from day to day and continued at intervals until Dec. 12th 1813. The first shocks being the most destructive.

1815

Dr. T. B. Wright states that when he was a boy there was a heavy snow in the winter of 1815 to 1818 he says his Father measured it and said it was Eighteen inches.

1830

Dr. T. B. Wright also remembers a snow that was Eighteen inches deep in the winter of 1830 to 1832.

1833

In the fall Nov. 13 of 1833 occurred one of the most remarkable Meteoric showers that ever was known in this country. It commenced about the middle of the night and continued until day light, the shooting Meteors seemed to start from a point in the Eastern heavens, where the Sun would be at 10 o'clock of a summers day, and radiate in all directions and seemingly fall to near the earth and disappear, it was a magnificent display and those persons who saw it cannot find language to describe it. The Superstitions and Timid were greatly alarmed thinking the Judgement day had come, and fell upon their Knees to pray, others met in the church, some one ringing the bell for their assembling, to prepare for the coming Doom as described by Mrs. L. C. Porter, J.E.Y

1834

On May 14, 15, & 16 of 1834 was one of the most destructive frosts that was ever known so late in May. All vegetation was killed of a tender nature, even

to the most of the Black Jack Trees, and many other Kinds of Timber it took a number of years for the Timber to recover from the effect of it although it was a good crop year much to the relief of the Farmers who thought they were ruined. The above date was given me by John S. Campbell, Lewis Potter & others. (Record at South Union April 28 mentioned Fruit all killed.)

1835

The Old people all over this region have for years spoken of the Cold Friday that occurred on Friday February 7th 1835 when the Thermometer registered Eighteen degrees below Zero, it had been held the day before with considerable snow upon the ground and what made it seem the colder was the wind blew a gale all day making it so disagreeable and bitter cold that ^{no} one could remain out any length of time without freezing.

1835

The Asiatic Cholera that had been raging in this country since 1833 in different cities and Towns finally reached Russellville Ky and broke out there about July 20th 1835 and raged there with great violence, probably was more fatal than any other place in the United States. It continued some ten or twelve days, the number of inhabitants at that time according to Mr. Marmaduke Morton died from the Disease, the highest number of deaths in any one day was Fifteen. The Citizens as soon as the disease broke out commenced leaving the Town and the Town was entirely depopulated before it ceased. From Mr. C. H. Courts who remained through the whole time, I learned that when the last person died, he with a Mr. Orr and a Mr. Roberts put the corpse in a shoe Box packing case, dug a hole in the garden and buried it. They left the town themselves afterwards as they had done all they could and felted that it was useless to remain any longer. Bowling Green had no fatal cases of the disease although there were some premonitory symptoms of its having mildly affected a few persons.

1840

From 1840 to 1842 it is said by many persons that there was a snow fall 18 inches deep. It is not certain which winter, either 1839 & 40 or 1841 & 42 The depth is remembered by many persons.

1849

There was a Frost May 14th 1849 that Killed many tender Vegetables, Fruit &c. but not a disastrous as some others that have occurred here before. Jas H. Rose is authority for the above. Wheat was entirely killed.

1849

On Saturday June 9th 1849 as soon as it was light, word began to spread that there had been three Deaths from Cholera during the previous night. I had gotten up at 4 a.m. on the morning of the 9th to open the mail that came from Louisville at that hour, and by the time I had finished and despatched the Stages to Hopkinsville & Nashville persons began coming in to the P. Office for their mail. Matter and it was soon known all over Town, and created the greatest consternation. Many persons who could do so left for the country. Saturday was the day appointed for a General Muster of all the Militia Companies in the County to be held at Bowling Green, and by 9 O'Clock quite a large Number had already arrived, but very soon they heard the word Cholera and Deaths and as soon as they could comprehend what it meant they mounted their horses, and with whip and spur left Town Panic Stricken, turning every body back whom they met, not to return until all trace of it had disappeared, it lasted some 10 days or two weeks and altogether there were some 15 or 18 deaths from it, all those persons who were much alarmed left town. Those remaining, nursed the sick & buried the Dead, thereby giving confidence, and keeping up the spirits of all, there were a number of young men who were particularly Kind and attentive to the sick and in Cholera

it is essential to have courage drive away fear live prudently and eat only those things which are digestible and simple, indeed live as near the same as they have done previously. The anxiety was greater in Bowling Green from the fact that the Cholera in Russellville had been only a few year back and was vividly remembered.

1851

On May 2 & 4th 1851 there was a very severe freeze, that killed all the fruit Peaches were as large as the end of the thumb all small fruits were killed so that there was no strawberries, cherries, gooseberries, raspberries nor Blackberries, and many Black Jack Trees were Killed. Record at South Union May 2, 1851.

1854

We had two visitations of Cholera in Bowling Green Ky. in 1854. The 1st Death occurred Saturday June 17th and the disease continued until July 11th. Sixteen persons dying from Cholera during the time on, June 17th One died Monday, 19th, 3 died, 20th One, 21st Three, 23 & two, 26th One, 28th One, 30th One, July 6th one, 7th one, 11th One. Our town was unusually healthy from that time until the return of Cholera again on September 25th during the interval between the two attacks. There was a severe Drouth No rain having fallen from June 19th until September 23d The evening of the Circus Performance. On Saturday Sept 23 a Circus and Menagerie exhibited in Bowling Green having come from the South west, they exhibited at Russellville Ky. on the 21st at Yosts 15 miles from here on the 22d, a Gentleman from this place who was at Russellville upon Exhibition day, in returning home was attacked with something like Cholera, and had to stop on the way to be treated and recovered, at Yosts it was said some of their Animals Died. Quite a large number of persons came in from the Country to witness the exhibition here and at night the tent was crowded with people from Town and Vicinity, the night was warm and sultry, had a heavy shower during the performance, which caused the steam to arise from the Curtain and the confined atmosphere within made it almost suffocating as was stated by those in attendance, the whole concern being a dirty affair. The next day Sunday the Circus Company remained pretty much all day at the Morehead House where they stopped, leaving near or at night going towards Glasgow and exhibiting between here and there. Monday Sept. 27th was County Court day in Bowling Green, and there was a large number of people in Town and they all returned home before night, about 8 or 9 O'clock of the 25th a colored man at the Morehead House was taken with Cholera and died before Midnight had symptoms during the day, Tuesday there were Five Deaths, Wednesday Five Thursday Two Friday Two, Saturday one and Sunday Oct. 1st Two. Making in all Eighteen deaths. All but Four of them Colored persons. There were Two white men and two white Children of the Colored, Eight were grown and six were Children Four of the whole number Died at Morehead house Eight next door neighbours and within one square of Hotel, while six were from two to four squares off. two of the grown Cold persons were women who washed Clothing for Circus Company. The most remarkable part of the last visitation was, that between twenty, and thirty men from the Country that were here on Monday Court Day some only remained a few hours while others were in Town nearly all day, Died in from one to Ten days afterwards with Cholera, they lived from one to Twenty five miles from Town, and no one in the different families of those who Died, except in one family where 1 or 2 died, took it from them, it not spreading outside of the original cases, all were White men, except one. Hon Presley Ewing, M. C. from this district remained in Town Monday Night and left Tuesday morning for Mammoth Cave, was taken sick on the road, and died soon after his arrival there. The undertaker who took his remains to Russellville returned and died in a day or two afterwards with Cholera. The Undertaker did not die, the man who made the coffin did. A Strange feature of it was, that so few persons died in Town, that had remained here, all the while when so many died from the Country all grown and living been in Town so short a time. The Circus Company passed through the Country and in the different

4

places where they exhibited in a day or two afterwards. Cholera broke out, as at Glasgow, Columbia, &c. finally the alarm of the Towns, through which they were to pass, and sickness among their own Company, and Animals, compelled them to disband somewhere beyond Columbia. So many persons having died in the Country, that were in Town Monday, the report became prevalent, that they had all eaten at the Morehead House, and had been poisoned, which of course was not true, as not half of them, had eaten there, and besides the Boarders would have been affected in same way.

1854

The same year of the Cholera, was one of the most destructive Drouths, that had ever been here, no rain falling from June 19th until September 23d so that no corn was raised except in the River Bottoms

1855

On the mornings of September 17, 18, & 19 1855 there was Killing Frosts Tobacco, corn and all tender Vegetation being killed. Judge J. H. Rose is authority.

The 17 year Locusts appeared in the spring of 1855, remained their usual time, and disappeared.

1856

There was Frost on 20, 21 & 22d of September which killed Tobacco & Everything green.

1863

There was a Frost on September 19th 1863 that killed a great deal of the Tobacco, through this section, besides other Tender Vegetation.

1864

January 1st 1864 in the morning, the Thermometer was 8 degrees below zero. The change was very sudden for at 4 o'clock P.M. the day before, it was 44 above.

1865

May 20th 1865, there was a great rise in Barren River & its tributaries. Drakes Creek, rising 45 feet, in 9 hours, carrying off the Bridge at Charman's, and doing much other Damage.

1866

The Cholera again appeared in Bowling Green being brought by Railway passengers.

1867

On 8 May 1867, there was a killing frost, according to the recollection of Mr. J. H. Rose, that killed the wheat, and other tender vegetation.

1869

In the afternoon of Aug 7th 1869, there occurred at Total Eclipse of the sun, not quite invisible, in Bowling Green, or rather Total, but at Oakland, Twelve Miles East, North East from here, it was expected to be Total for 30 seconds, a number of persons, chartered a car, and went up to Oakland, but was considerably disappointed, when it had passed to find its duration of Totality only 2 or 3 seconds, some doubting its being total at all, but it was sufficiently long to observe the Corona with its variegated Colors. The mistake in regard to the time, was on account of the error in Latitude as put down in the Maps. 36°30' N. an error of about 50 statute miles.

1870

Early in the Morning, on January 17th 1870, occurred the Tornado that destroyed Cave City, most of the buildings were destroyed, and some 3 or 4 persons, were killed, and several wounded. The day previous had been a very warm and sultry day, so much so that the walls of the Houses, were dripping with perspiration, or condensed moisture from the walls being colder

than the atmosphere, the storm passed some miles East of Bowling Green, about 4 a.m. doing but little damage, such as leveling Fences and unroofing a few Barns.

1872

May 7th 1872, the seventeen year Locusts, appeared in this region again, and remained until June 16th just 40 days, for farther description see remarks in back of Book for 1872.

1873

The Cholera appeared in Bowling Green again July 19th 1873 and continued until Aug. 10th 66 fatal cases occurred during the time. In Franklin about the same time 50 Deaths occurred.

1877

The winter of 1877, was a cold one, on the morning of January 9th, the thermometer registered, 24 degrees below zero.

1878

The Yellow Fever prevailed Throughout the South during the Summer of 1878, Visiting Memphis and was very fatal there, and extending through the country, there being daily communication between here and there, and many of the train hands living here. (for a more extended account see back of Book for remarks in 1878)

1880

February 1880 was cold, and much snow had fallen, when on 11 & 12 was very heavy rains, which caused the River to rise rapidly on the 14th February it was at its highest mark, and was several feet over the road beyond the foot Bridge, This was probably the highest since 1808.

1886

On the morning of February 3d 1886, the deepest snow, lay upon the ground that was ever here, it commenced at 8 a.m. on the 2d and snowed continuously until 6 a.m. on the 3d. In my garden back from the influence of the wind and House, it Measured it depth at 28 inches, in the Park in the Public square, it was 27 Inches, in an average. The weather seemed to be preparing before the snow came, for a heavy fall, the day before, that is on the 1st Feb., was pleasant. Sun shone through a humid atmosphere, and the two preceeding days, had been spitting snow, every little while, so that the conditions, were favorable, for just the kind of a storm that we did have. The day it snowed was moderately cold, without, any wind, until sometime in the night, when it blew and drifted some, so that the snow fell gently and lay very lightly which partly accounts for its depth. The storm was from the East.

1889

The Pear, Peaches & Cherry Trees bloomed the last of December in a Few places in this county, which is the only time I have known them to bloom in 45 years. They also continued to Bloom in January 1890 1890Feb. March & April.

1890

On Tuesday February 25th between 1¹/₂ to 2 p.m. occurred one of the most violent wind storms, that ever was known here. It came from South West. Blowing down chimneys, smashing windows scuttering signs &c. but no one in town was injured by it but some persons in the country slightly injured. The storm after passing did but little damage not increasing as it went. If it had been a little more violent Bowling Green would have suffered severely. The most damage was done on West Chestnut, State and Summer Streets.

1890

On Thursday March 27th 1890 at about 8²⁰ P.M. one of the worst Tornadoes Visited Louisville Ky that was ever known in this State, it struck the City from the South West passing through the South Western part of the City in a zig zag track prostrating many houses and stores, Killing some 90 to 100 in the city, besides wounding many more. The damage was estimated in property to be over a million dollars. The wind at Bowling Green was nothing like a tornado, but blew pretty hard all night, about 8 oclock a storm passed the same night through a portion of Allen Co. doing much damage, wounding & Killing several person, another storm same night passed through the western part of the State. Also Illinois & Indiana destroying much property also wounding & Killing many. The conditions of the atmosphere seemed to be Tornado Breeding, as alarge part of the Country was affected more or less.

1893

On Thursday March 23 at 730 p.m. A very severe wind storm struck this place preceeded with Thunder Lightning & Rain. the wind blew the Roofs from the Cook or Post Office Building, blowing Timbers Tin over and striking the New Wilford Building, damaging it to a considerable extent, and the Debris falling in the South West Side of the Park breaking several panels of the Iron Fence. The Roof of the Round House was lifted up and fell inside on the Locomotives, damaging many of them, a good many workman were in the building but had time to get in the Pits under the Locomotives, only one man was injured. The Storm came from the South West, much other damage was done by blowing over Chimneys partially unroofing houses, blowing down Trees &c. 4 mil s from Town in a S. Westerly direction 3 of Mr. Meylers whose Houses were unroofed. The extend of the Storm where damage was done was some 6 miles. The 22 & 23 were oppressivley warm and presaging a storm.

May 7th 1906 the 17 year Locusts appeared again the same time they did in 1889-1872 and remained their usual 40 days and disappeared. They were mostly of a smaller size, but few of the Large old time Phariods singing kind and did no material damage.

1870

First Peach Blooms opened Friday March 25th, The summer of 1870 was a very wet one having had showers, every few days, up to fall. The Wet season, caused the Grapes to rot considorably, yet had a good crop. The tender varieties being more affected, than Concord & Toes. The fall was warm and dry, had no killing Frost, until very late. and no cold weather until late in December. The Theromometer on the morning of the 23 December stood 6 below Zero, for a few days before, & after 23d it was cold, making Ice, 4 to 5 Inches thick, all the Ice Houses being filled with very fine Ice.

1871

After the Cold spell, of Dec. 23d 1870, there was no more cold weather, during the Winters had snow, but three times, and not enough either time to make $\frac{1}{2}$ inch of snow barely showing on the North, side of the Roof of Houses. The Winter was also remarkably Dry, at least, the first part and delightful so mile, that a Florida Climate, could scarcely have been more inviting. Consequently Vegetation has been very forward, up to March 25 when there was a frost that killed the strawberry blooms, and perhaps Peaches, &c. that were enough advanced, the first peach Blooms that opened this year was 11th day of March, on the morning of 28th there was a frost, that killed the grapes buds, that had grown any length. There was a slight Frost, first part of April, and on the 13 but did no damage, also slight Frost April 16 & 17 James T. Donaldson, exhibited a ripe strawberry April 21st on the 23d there was a frost, that Killed the Tender Buds, of the different Fruits, Mr. W. C. Brashear brought to Farmers Club, Saturday April 29 a Tumbler of Ripe Strawberries being the first of the season, he also brought to Market, May 2

five Pts. I picked a few for the first time, from my beds, May 2d, which was two weeks earlier than last year, and the earliest I have ever raised them, had first Green Peas May 19th first Raspberries May 28, Picked last Strawberries, June 7th, having lasted 5 weeks, had Green Corn & Ripe Tomatoes July 4th, Tomatoes lated, on the vines, until Nov. 13 first Snow Storm, Nov. 14th, snowing all day, Killing Frost, Nov. 15, slight snow, Dec. 4, Beautiful Weather for several days, Dec. 19 commenced snowing late in the evening and turned suddenly cold, with 2 Inches of Snow, Moderated with snow Dec 21st & Rain on Morning of 22.

1872

Had 2 or 3 cold snaps first of January, From 19th to 25, was in Louisville weather cold, all the time except a couple of the first days. Thermometer, was down to 12 & 15, with a fine Ice season, during the cold snap. Ice 2 to 4 Inches, Feb. 5th 3 Inches of snow, 7, 8 & 9 beautiful days. Blue Birds made their appearance. 1st Robin 10th March was quite changable. No very cold weather neither any warm, snowed all day 22d March, snow 6 In deep, which nearly all melted, on 23d April 5th first Peach & Strawberry blooms. April 9th Severe Storm of wind, rain, Thunder, & Lightning, Heavy Rainfall, 22d & 23 Slight Frost, Light frost May 3d. A. D. Webb, brought in 4 Strawberries & everythings suffering for rain. May 14 had about 1 Qt. of Strawberries, from My garden, May the 7th the 17 year locusts, appeared in the country, they remained until June 16th being 40-days from their first appearance, they did no particular damage, to trees, or anything else, they laid their eggs, in the ends of the small Branches, of the trees, by perforating, through the Bark, and into the wood, commencing some foot or two from the end, and splitting in for a space of say $\frac{1}{4}$ or $\frac{1}{2}$ Inch, then depositing some 4 or 5 white shiny little Eggs, then Skipping some Eighth, of an Inch and perforating again, and laying the Eggs, as before, and continuing until they nearly reached the End of the limb, after a little while, the Wind shakes off the twig, when it falls to the ground, doubtless to accomodate, the young Locusts when they hatch out to enter the ground. Capt. C. R. Edwards succeeded in observing the Young after being hatched, They are a perfect Locust in form &c. Grapes commenced ripening last of July, had a fair yield, although they rotten some. Tied up in Paper Bags, quite a No. of Bunches, Herbemont, & Concord, did best treated, that way, Sept. 18 Slight Frost, also Oct. 2d, had no Killing Frost, until 25 Oct. had a very dry Fall, the warmest days, we had during the summer was the 22 & 23 Aug. Had a good deal of Cold Weather, during the early winter, and up to the 20th Dec. when it turned very cold, 22d - 9 below Zero, continued cold, till 30. Ice formed, 5 to 6 inches, and couple of inches of snow.

1873

First of January 1873, quite warm, thermometer as high as 53, 6th & now it Rain, the River was Frozen over & Navigation suspended, but opened by the 4 & 5. From Janey 31, till Feb. 22, Changeable weather, Thermometer, as high as 68 with heavy rains, First Peach blooms, March 30. Slight Frost, April 9-10-13 & 18, April 22 Thermometer 89, Slight Frost, 24 & 25. Hard freeze, 21, Killing most of Peaches, apples & some Grapes. Picked 1st Strawberries May 19th had not over $\frac{1}{2}$ crop of Berries, Had a wet rainy time, during early part of summer, August being dry, had but few Peaches, and Apples, Slight Frost, Sept. 15 Oct. 28. Frost that partly Killed Tomato Vines, Oct. 29--Killing Frost, between Sept. 15 & Oct. 28, had one or two slight Frosts but not hard enough to kill anything, Slight Snow Storm, Oct. 28th, Nov. 20 Thermometer 10. Cholera visited B. G. during the summer.

1874

January 7th 1874 Snow fell 7 to 9 Inches. Feb. 9th first Robin. 21 & 22 Feb. Very Heavy Rain. River rose 4 to 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ft. higher than the Rise in 1865 in May, which is the highest rise in the history of the

since 1808. March 17th first Peach blooms, 16th and 17 a very heavy rain fall flooding the lower end of town have had an extraordinary amount of rain to the last of April, having overflowed the Banks & out in the Bottoms, 4 times during the Spring. Picked Strawberries May 15 last 11th June, had small crop of berries, owing to drouth, Raspberries lasted only a few days, up to June 3d have had only a couple of slight showers, for some 6 or 8 weeks. Oats and Hay Crop Short, wheat best for a number of years, July 8 Rain with Thunder and Lightning. More rain has fallen than have had for over nine weeks before, the Drouth for so early in the season has been the most severe for 30 years, the Grapes had commenced shrivelling on the vines and every thing was suffering, but the rain brought every thing out. There was several showers from 8th July to Aug. Grape Crop Fine, others doing well. The Frost Kept off until late which caused the crop to Mature. Tolerably well, had a delightful Fall & Early Winter, no cold weather until after December.

1875

The First of January 1875 was cold & good Ice season, which continued pretty much all through the month, so that Ice formed 8 Inches thick. first Robin Jany. 18. Slight rain 23 & 24 with heavy rains, until 31st Feb. 1st cold, 7th 2 to 3 In Snow. Feb. 10 rain, 24th Slight snow 29th slight snow. March 1st Rain, Thunder & Lightning, 7th Rain, all last night, & snow nearly all day, 14th Heavy Rains and Thunder Storm last night, From 14th to 30 Variable, with Rain & High Winds, 20th First Peach Blooms, April 18 Thermometer 20 Frost, Killing pretty much all the Fruit Buds, Ice Formed $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ In thick. damaging wheat, & Killing Tobacco & Cabbage, plants in the beds, which is said not to have occurred before, for 40 or 50 years. Early Vegetables also Killed, 20 & 21 Rain, dark rainy weather, from 23 to May 4th, May 25 first Strawberries, June 3d, Strawberries, Suffering for want of Rain, June 15 Hard Rain, with Thunder & Lightning, have had a great deal of Rain up to the 15th July, which continued up to & the 1st August, Injuring Wheat in the Shock. From 20th August, until Sept. 10th very Dry and part of the time very warm; slight Rain Sept. 10th From 23 Sept. until Nov. 17 had no killing Frosts, delightful Fall & Plenty of Rain, From Dec. 19 to Dec. 31, quite warm, with much Rain.

1876

From January 4th to 10th 1876 Warm and pleasant, with some Rain, No Ice Season thus far & Rose Bushes, are budding, & Hyacynths & other Early Flowers, are sending up Shoots, between 14 & 20 Heavy Rain, 26 to 28, Warm Very Heavy Rain, 28. Feb. 1st Rainy & Cool, turned to sleet & snow & for 6 to 8 hours, a very heavy Wind, accompanied with snow, making a perfect Norther, and the day for travelling possible January 30. J. T. Donaldson had Iris & Crocus in Bloom for the first time to my Knowledge, they have bloomed in February. Since I came to B. G. in 1844 From 13 to 15 March Had Rain Thunder & Lightning. Peaches Still blooming 20th March, Snow fell, 9 Inches deep, on 22. Ice $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches thick, From March 24 to April 6th Chagable, and Slight Frost; Some Peaches not killed first strawberries 16th May, The Summer was an extremely Hot one, with plenty of Rain. Had Fine Corn Crop, with plenty of Everything. From 1st to 7 Dec. Ice 2 to 4 inches. Turned suddenly Cold, night of 8th with Heavy Wind, & Snow Storm, Ohio & Green River, Frozen over stopping Navigation, but opened somewhat by the 15th, 24 8 In Snow, 29 snow fell, during night, & day, from 9 to 10 Inches, with what was on the ground, making 12 Inches, 31st Morning Thermometer 12 below Zero, the lowest I ever saw it here, the next Lowest, was 11 below, on 20th Jany, 52 next to that 22 Dec. 72 it was 9 below.

1877

January 7th, 1877, Rain during day, Warm, Snow, almost all melted, Ice on River 7 Inches, Snow during night, 6 Inches, and cold, Thermometer Morning Jany. 9th, 24 degrees below Zero. The coldest ever know here, Jany 10 th

Snowing, one Inch fell, Jan'y 12, snow almost all gone, 15 Rain, Thunder & Lightning, High rise, in River, Ice gone, River open, February was quite a pleasant month, Dry & Moderately Warm, Farmers, doing much plowing, sowing oats, planting Potatoes &c. Vegetation commenced swelling, 1st March, Warm & Pleasant, Persons making garden, had five Rains, grass looking green &c. 8th Rain & Cold, continued to 1st May, checking vegetation, first strawberries 16 May, quite cool, 24, 25 & 26. Fires & overcoats pleasant. The Summer was a dry one, had a couple of Drouths, which injured the Corn, to some extent. Wheat extraordinarily good, as well as all Kinds of Farm products, grapes, a failure, in most places, owing to cold winter, Pears, Plums Cherries, &c. plentiful, only a few Peaches, from the Hills of Butler Co. Apples good, in some localities, at least, some varieties, Genetts, Winter Pearmain, & Wine Saps, best, had no Killing Frost, until 1st Nov. after that very little cold until 1st Dec. then to Dec. 26th it has been warm, with little Rain, The Waters are low, in River & Springs, too warm to Kill Pork, Dec. 24, 25 & 26 considerable rain fell, From 26 to 31 warm and Rainy Weather.

1878

January 3d, cloudy with some snow, 4th, 6 Inches snow & melting. Strong N.W. Wind & Snow, & turned cold, 9th Ice 4 inches, 30th Snow, 31 snow, 2 to 3 Inches Feb. 10th Slight snow. The month of March was mild & warm, had Frost, only 2 or 3 mornings, 1st Peach Blooms, March 9th, Full Bloom 25th Heavy Blooms of all Kinds of Fruit, April was more cool, and unpleasant, than March, 1st Strawberries May 4th, Fine strawberry yield, as there was plenty of Rain, during the whole season, cool spring, plentiful yield of oats, Hay and about half-crop of Wheat, Fine Crop of Peaches which commenced ripening early, Weather cool till July, July 27 Rain, 28 warm & Sultry, with a gathering of storm which burst at 10 O'clock P.M. heavy Rain, Thunder & Lightning. Lightning struck cold, Baptist Church & Frame Building at Ogden College, which is set on fire, but was extinguished, Aug. 2, Slight Rain, some wind, Thunder & Lightning, From Aug. 19 to Sept. 30 had a couple of showers, Thunder & Lightning, nights cooler. This summer will be remembered for the Yellow Fever in the South, being very Fatal, at Granada and Vicksburgh, Miss, New Orleans, Memphis, Tenn. and many places in the interior, spreading in the country. There were 23 Fatal Cases, in this place Mostly of those persons, who ran on the R. R. to Memphis, and came here, and died. Some Deaths were traced to having washed the clothing of persons, who had been to cities where the disease was raging perhaps, 2 or 3 cases, could not be traced, to any contact of that Kind or exposure in any way, and for the fact that the Thermometer fell, to 28 on the morning of 19 to 20 of October making Ice, & Killing Vegetation as well as the Fever, Germs, we would have had, doubtless a spread of the disease, and a panic, with it. The first Death occurred Sept. 3 and last Oct 24, at the same time, we had the disease here it was in Louisville, with some 34 deaths, which was the first time, the Disease extended to this state. Dec. 21 & 22, slight snow, 26 3 In Snow on 29 1 In. Snow.

1879

January 1st, 1879, slight snow, 7th, 2 Inches snow, & turned to Rain, 8th & 9th snowed with 11 Inches on Ground, 11th, Rain, Sleet & Snow, 12th Rain at night, a hard wind storm, River frozen solid Ice 10 to 12 In. thick 14th Rise in River of 8 or 10 feet. Ice in River, 8 to 12 Inches, 16th Rain last night, Ice & snow, pretty much all gone, River opened, 15 & 16 with arrival of Cool. 17 sleet & Rain, 20th Rain with moderately warm & occasional Rain until Feb. 13, colerr. 1 In Snow then pleasant & variable, until in March, on 8th Thermometer 78 From March to July, Seasonable, The hard winter killed the Peaches, Blackberries, and most of the Apples. July 4 Slight Rain, 13 same; 16 shower, 17 Good shower, Aug. 6th Good Rain, 15th hard shower, with gentle rain during night, 22d, 23d, & 24, showery with plenty of Rain fall. Sept. 1st & 2d good Rains, 12th Rain, from 17 to 24 variable some Rain, first Killing Frost, 24th Oct. Nov. 1st. Frost, that caused the

the leaves of the Paulonia & Aulanthus to fall, 14th Slight rain from then to close of year, not much Rain or Cold Weather .

1880

January 1880 opened cold, Ice formed 2 Inches thick, then warm, until Feb. 4th, cold again & Snow fell, 8 Inches deep, 11th Ice, 3 Inches when it commenced raining & on 11th & 12 the Hardest Rain for Years causing the River to rise rapidly, and it rose higher than any rise perhaps since 1808, it was 2 feet higher than the rise in Feb. 1874, which was from 4 to 4½ feet higher than the rise in June 1865, when in Drakes Creek the water rose 45 feet in 9 hours, the river was highest here Feb. 14, 1880, The rise of 1808 was so high that old Adam Bratton, told his Nephew, Alex Graham, and he showed him the place on the bank of the River where the Foot Bridge now stands, or just above and sat down and dipped water from the River, with a Tin Cup, he also loaded a Flat Boat with Tobacco, in Hogsheds, from same place and it would have taken some 6 or 8 feet more this time to have reached that point. There was 3 or 4 rises in succession, a few weeks apart. The last was in June which drowned out the Corn in the Bottoms it being so late many could not replant. The summer was a seasonable one considering the rises, good crop, large yield of all kinds of Nuts & small Fruits, but few Apples, and Peaches. The summer was quite warm one Thermometer above the 90 for some time. The season a long one, no killing Frost, till Oct. 23 & 24. Fall a pleasant one, snow storm Nov. 13, 17 & 18. Snow 3 in. filled Ice house from Lagoon, on 23d from 2¼ to 2 ¾ in thick, In Dec. had 2 or 3 additional snow storms, making up to the 25th 4 snows, being all together 12 Inches of snow.

1881

January 3d 1881, Ice 6 Inches, River Frozen, Navigation closed, 5 in Rain 9th Snow, 14 snow, 2 Inches. The Winter & Spring was cool, & Long, Farming backwards, indeed it was like passing from winter to summer, it was not only cold but rainy so that but little Farm work could be done, and planting was late, the summer was quite warm & dry last rain was on July 17th with hard storm, since which time the weather has been so hot & dry that the Drouth thereafter to be more severe than in 1854. Aug. 13, shower with Thunder & Lightning, then to 31st no rain, everything parched & drying up. Short crops of everything equaling the drouth of 1854, for a day or two before the 31st the wind blew from the East & South East which gave us a rain on 31st & 1st Sept. only slight & partial, 10th shower, North West of us, which cooled the air, Sept. 14 good shower, During the summer the wind has blown almost all the time, from the North & during the hottest Weather, whereas in 1854 the wind was from the south. Had a splendid Fall, showers at intervals which started the grass & all vegetation some Peaches & Apples had a second crop, of small Fruits, Trees & Strawberries, blooming. Tobacco matured, Irish Potatoes did well. First Frost on the 20 & 21 to kill tender plants, killing frost Nov. 15th & 16 Thermometer 28. 21st rain. Mild & Rainy until 24 then cold, Rained occasionally with mild weather until night of Dec. 29, when it turned cold, & slight snow, first snow of season, Fall & early Winter mild, and delightful no Ice of any thickness. Morning of 31st sun shone brightly, clouded over slightly snow in afternoon.

1882

January 1st 1882, slight snow, 4th Rain, 5th slight rain, all day 6th Rain last night, 7th Rain, 10th rain, and continued to night of 16th when it turned cold with snow, River high, falling on 17th. The remainder of the winter was mild, no Ice formed, ethick enough to put up. The winter continued mild, until it was over, which was a wise dispensation of Providence, as the Drouth of the previous summer caused almost a failure of the corn crop as well as Hay and but for the mild winter so that stock could get their food from the fields great suffering would have ensued. The wheat was green all winter, affording pasturage for stock. The spring started out early but advanced

slowly, as the weather was cool and rainy owing to too much rain the Strawberry season was not a good one & also owing to many of the vines having been killed by the Drouth of the year before, Raspberries not very good. Peaches & apples, not abundant, being injured by the wet season, apples Rotted badly. The summer & Fall was delightful, not too warm in summer and pleasant through the Fall, Vegetables maturing splendidly sweet & Irish Potatoes large yield, no Frost, until middle of Oct, then warm and pleasant until Nov. 30. Dec. 5th, rain, December 8th, Transit of Venus, but cloudy so not Visible, at night the wind blew severely and turned cold, 8th Rain, & pleasant, until 14th cold again 17, snow 3 in. deep 19th Rain, Christmas week warm & sunshiny.

1883

From January 1st 1883, to Jan'y 10th mostly cloudy & showery, 10th snowed & turned cold, 12th Rain turned cold on 21, Ice, 2 to $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches, which was put in ice houses, no filling ours, with that thickness of Ice, continued cold, until 25th from that date, had no very cold weather, but pleasant had a moderately early spring, strawberries, middle of May, with a pretty fair season, lasting with us longer than usual, had a seasonable summer with plenty of rain up to the last of July, when it continued dry, until October, shortening the Corn Crop considerably, taking the season it was pretty favorable for all kind of Crops, with an abundance of Farm Products, Peaches, a Poor crop, also Apples, supposed to have been injured, in the early spring, by some late Frosts, had a few Frosts, in September, & October but not sufficient, to injure anything, first Killing Frost, Nov. 1st. Dec. 22, & 23 snow fell, 5 inches, commenced Raining, evening 23 & rained on 24th melting all snow from the ground.

1884

January 1884, opened cold, on 7th put up Ice 6 Inches thick, commenced snowing at 3 p.m. on the 8th there was 8 In snow, on 10th warm, snow all melted off; 11th rained, during afternoon, & turned to snow, at night, with $2\frac{1}{2}$ Inches morning of 12th, on 24 6 Inches snow, between Feb 1st and 28 Variable, with rains, and springlike weather, Feb. 27th & 28 had Rain & Snow Storm, 4 inches snow, having fallen, and turned cold, March cool, Spring cool, and backward, first strawberries, from Garden 11th May; lasting 3 Weeks, being out short, by dry weather, May and August were Dry Months, Rains, local, cutting off corn to a certain extent, in some places, not a large yield, of farm products, except wheat, which was extra good, but few Peaches, and those indifferent Apples, did not mature, well or something else kept them from keeping well, through the winter, the year was a healthy one, no particular disease, prevailing, in this region, or nothing occurring of intrest, out of the ordinary events, worth noticing, the fall, was a beautiful one, seasonable, with rains, when needed, winter did not set in until late, in December, had a good snow, and cold, in Christmas, day which continued several days.

1885

January 1885, moderate weather until 17 when it turned cold, and remained cold pretty much through the month, February moderate, until 9th when Thermometer was 56 and on the 10 down to 2 continued cold, till the 12th when it moderated, on the 14th 2 In snow, then Variable, from warm to cold, through the month, March, was pleasant, only slightly cold, on 21 snow, 3 Inches, 23 cold, Thermometer, 4 first Peach blooms, April 8th full bloom 20th Picked 1st Strawberries, May 19th. Season not as advanced as some years, indeed it was two weeks behind, ordinary seasons, the rainfall, during the winter and spring was considerably less than the 2 years previous. March having a very small rainfall. The summer was a very pleasant one, being only moderately warm with seasonable weather all through. The wheat crop, was a light one, Potatoes also, then was a time in Mid summer when rain was needed, which

cut off the corn crop in some places as the rains were partial, had a good crop of Grapes, and they were very fine, the dry weather favoring them, Peaches only moderately good, rather plenty but of poor quality. The Apple crop was a very large one, but they did not keep well, for some reason, and have not for 3 or 4 years, probably the cause, is that during the slight Drouths, of the Summer their growth is checked and the Fall rains, caused them to start again, and they do not mature as they would if their growth had not been checked. First Slight Frost Sept. 24 & Killing frost Oct. 22. Dec. 5th, 1st snow, 14 slight snow. The Fall has been delightful, Dec. up to 25 like Oct, ice not having formed exceeding $\frac{1}{2}$ In. & no snow to cover the ground. Spring like until close of year. Indian Summer weather, Violet and Verbenas still blooming out doors.

1886

Jan'y 1st clear, 2 & 3 Rain, 4th Snow, storm, 5th Snow 2 In. 6th Clear, 7th Clear, 8th 8 In snow. 9th & to 14 mostly clear with coldest weather, ever here, Chickens Frozen in their houses, Guineas, Hogs &c. also Frozen, put up ice from 6 to 8 in thick, when the Ice that had been cut from Bakers Pond on the evening of 11th Ice next morning was $3\frac{1}{2}$ Inches. River frozen over Navigation suspended. Rain 15 & 16, Raised River Navigation opened. To 23th Variable, 23d 3 in snow, to 29 cloudy slight snow 29th. Feb. 1st beautiful sunshine day 2d, commenced snowing about 8 a.m. & continued until 6 a.m. on the 3d, 22 hours snow fell to the depth of 28 Inches, on a level. This deepest snow ever known here. The measurement of 28 Inches was in my garden, when the wind had no effect and was not drifted, in other places, such as the Park 27 Inches, other estimated, from 24 to 33 inches, it was clear, and cold for several days, and the snow gradually melted, without raising the River, but little, by the 14 snow almost all gone, except where it had been piled up, on night of 14th & 15 Rain & Snow, snow some 3 inches deep. Rain on 24 & 29. March came in cool and remained so until the 14th when the Thermometer stood at 67 at 2 P.M. which was the highest the Thermometer had been for 3 months, The winter has been a severe one with no very warm days to start vegetation so that the damage by the extremely cold days which we had will be not as great as it otherwise would. From the 14 March to the 20 quite warm, when it turned cooler but fine Farming weather slight rain 20 & 21; Also 26 & 27 good rain, which was needed. The 1st part of April to the 13 had plenty of rain after that it was dry, and rain was much needed. Slight Showers from 26 to 30 but not enough to wet the ground. Had a slight Frost from 1st to the 8th. None the rest of the month. Yet it was cold & backward. May opened dry, had good rain 5th, 6th, & 7th, which was much needed. had 1st few strawberries from my garden May 9. Wm Cook brought first in market 6 gallons May 10 & May 16th morning. Slight frost in country latter part of Month pretty seasonable, strawberries needed rain other things not suffering. June came in warm and seasonable had last strawberries June 7th lasting about 30 days. Raspberries was a good crop. A few Dew Berries but no Blackberries all having been winter Killed, unless there were a few bushes under the snow. June was a wet month $8\frac{5}{32}$ Inches rainfall Wheat, Oats & Hay good, 1st Week in July warm and dry had good rain on 8th which was needed. Had Rains all through July as needed. Month Seasonable had heavy rain last few days of month. August was seasonable. Rains all through the month on 31st about 9 p.m. a slight shock of an earthquake was felt here. Very severe at Charleston S. C. which was the center of the disturbance. Heavy Rain fall in August. September was seasonable but little rain during the month. October was quite dry, but 15/16 of an Inch of Rain fall. November was a beautiful month with a considerable of rainfall. December was mild & Pleasant with moderate amount of Rain, had a beautiful Fall but little cold weather. The year was noted for the coldest day ever known on 12th Jan'y 26 degrees below Zero. Deepest snow 28 inches on morning 3d Feb. Years Rain Fall $57\frac{5}{32}$ Inches & Terrible Earthquake in Charleston S. C. night of Aug 31st.

1887

January came in Pleasant & gold on the morning of 2d 5 degrees below Zero and continued cold for some time at least moderately cold. Ice forming some 4 or 5 inches thick and everybody had an opportunity to fill their Houses with as firm and good ice as was ever known. No snow during the month and a little over 5 in Rainfall. February was a mild month, pretty windy with a great deal of Rain, over 11 inches, had no snow during the month. Vegetation started. Peaches & Plums nearly in bloom but little weather for work on Farm. March opened mild First Peach Blooms 8th turned cooler a few days after with Thermometer 23 on 15th Killing what blooms were out. Slight snow 17th a few flakes falling an with 2 Inches 15 & 3 Inches 24 December all that has fallen till now the 17th. Heavy freeze March 29th thermometer 15. Killing most of the Peach & Pear Blooms that were out. Slight snow 30th. April was a cool & pleasant month but little rainfall, yet did not suffer materially for want of it but little frost to interfere with vegetation. May was a pleasant month but little hot weather first Strawberries ripe the 2d A. D. Webb had them, the first gathered from my garden was the 5th and they lasted until the 31st there was a small crop owing to the Blooms being Killed by frost. June was a pleasant month, but little excessively Hot weather, and July was a warm and dry month, but little rain fall. Several showers during the month but not enough to wet the ground. Vegetation of all Kinds suffering and great fears entertained of a Drouth equal to any we ever had. August opened Hot and dry, a few showers during the month but no good rain. Only one 23/32 Inches falling during month. Everything drying up, even Fruit on the Trees in places. Hope of a good crop almost abandoned, the grape crop was not injured materially, there being more than an average yield. September opened warm and dry. No rain falling until the 17th when there was 1 1/2 Inches fall. On 22d 5/8 In on 27th 1 1/2 Inches making for the month 35/8 Inches too late however for the main crop of corn but helping late planting and making some turnips. Cisterns and many ponds dry. Springs also failing. Many farmers having to haul water, and drive their stock sometimes many miles to streams for water. October continued dry. Only 19/32 In rain fall, the assistance that the Rain of Sept. gave soon disappeared and was scarcer than ever as the Drouth was so long continued, that many ponds were so cracked open that they would not hold. November continued dry only 2 13/16 In rain during month. So little rain in ponds that those persons in the country could not get ice what it should have formed. December was a pleasant month opening with light rain which continued through the month. On the last day 1 3/4 Inches fell, during the month 3 7/16 Inches. Thermometer on 29 Zero. The Ohio River closed the last days of month but the rain & snow will probably open it again and raise it also.

1888

January 1888 opened with moderate weather some rain 7th, 9th & 12th. Slight rain 14th which turned off to snow & sleet on the 15th which froze together making some 3 or 4 In. Frozen in snow, which was covered with ice so slick that it was almost impossible to get about. Many accidents occurred, two or three with shoulders broken, one Lady falling on her head in the country and died from the effects of it, and many others all over the country. It lasted almost two weeks. Fine coasting & skating, the best ever known. Cattle could not get about, had to be fed and watered where they were. The rest of the month was pleasant Winter Weather. February opened pleasant, slight rains along the tenth, then had rain and sleet making it almost as slick as it was in January. The trees all in crusted with a coating of Iceicles and continued for 3 or 4 days. 18th & 19th, 1 18/100 In Rain. A few showers from that time to the end of the month. Month rather pleasant Friday 24 Thermometer 70 morning, 70 morning of 28th. 4 degrees above. March opened moderately cool keeping back fruit Buds with moderate rains continuing through the month. Commencing the Eleventh and continuing for 3 or 4 day one of the worst snow & wind storms occurred along the Atlantic from Washington

to Boston, stopping R. R. travel in Pennsylvania, New Jersey & New York. No trains able to move for 3 or 4 days, doing considerable damage with some loss of life. Said to be the worst storm of the century. Morning of 22d Thermometer 16 on 23 - 18 it then moderated with 1st Peach Bloom on 29. April opened warm and pleasant. Vegetation coming on rapidly, almost like magic, with Peach Pear Plum & others blooming. Trees opening fully from 5th to 8th everything very promising. 13th thermometer 25. 20th ther. 32, 21 ther. 24 but doing no damage to Fruit. Strawberry blooms Killed. Richard Brashear picked 1st strawberries $\frac{3}{4}$ gal 26th month dry and cool. May opened Dry and Cool, but few warm days during month, turning cool after each shower, slight rainfall, 15th Thermometer 28 doing no damage month dry. Cool & backward Fruit promising, a small crop of strawberries and no good in comparison to other year. June opened cool, with good rain 9th & 10 which was very much needed. D. H. Phillips picked several gallons strawberries 12th. July was a dry month which damaged the Peach crop except late varieties also retarded the corn & made it late, and on light and dry soils, damaged it considerably. The wheat crop was the best for years. late peaches large crop. Apples plentiful. August was a wet month, making everything grow as spring time. September was a growing month. Moderate rainfall. October was also a pleasant month, with plenty of rain. November opened with fair weather. First Killing frost of the Fall on morning of the 12th. Heavy rainfall during the month retarding out door work and preventing maturing the corn. December was a beautiful month, more like a fall month than winter, with slight rain fall and bright sunshiny weather.

1889

January 1889 opened moderately warm, and continued so during the whole month The Thermometer not falling lower than 20 at any time, with only a few Flurries of snow and a light rainfall. A remarkably pleasant winter month and an even temperature throughout. February was a continuation of mild weather. Thermometer 6th at 11, which was the lowest this winter except Dec. 20, 1888 when it was at 9. Very slight rainfall with a little snow upon two others occasions. Medium temperature all through and a pleasant month. March opened pleasant and Spring like and continued mild all through. The lowest point during the month of the Thermometer was 24, and only 8 days in which there was a frost. First Peach Buds opened on the 19th. There was no snow and but little Rain, less Rainfall for the 3 months than in any year in the 8 years, that I have been noting it. Very little wind in the month the last day was the worst day of all being very blustery with a little rain. April came in mild, the Peach Trees and other Fruits in full Bloom, and all are promising an abundant yield now, on the 7th Thermometer 27, on the 14 there was a good rain, but a light rainfall for the month. There was no damaging Frosts. First Strawberries 29th. May opened pleasant and dry. Rain commenced Falling on the 18th and from that time on had more than enough. The strawberries began suffering until the rain commenced when it brought them out giving an abundant yield. The 17 Year Locusts appeared on the 6th or 7 th of May. They did not come out of the ground as abundantly as other years owing to the Dry weather. They first appeared in the Creek & River Bottoms, and continued their usual time 40 days, during the Heavy rains of last May & June many of them were Drowned so that they were not as numerous as in 1872. June opened rainy which continued until the 21st when it cleared off, giving the Farmers time to Plow their corn and commence their Harvesting. Wheat Crop over an average. Hay good & Oats Extra. Mr. Webb gathered last strawberries 14 June being over 6 Weeks from their 1st ripening. July 1st to 3 heavy rains but seasonable no warm weather up to this time. Rains continued during the month and 8 72/100 Inches fell altogether which interfered with the Farmers and no very warm weather. Thermometer not registering higher in the month than 91. August was pleasant and not much rain. Thermometer not going higher than 90. September had more rain than usual for the month and not very warm. October

was a seasonable month with a slight rain fall. First Killing Frost the 7th and mild weather after. November was a mild month with a heavy rain fall, Killing Frost 28, 29, & 30 Dec. 1st Thermometer 20 and on the 2d, 25 and on 12th 28. No Killing frost after making the month so mild that many persons lost their Mead. Pear, Peach and Cherry Trees blooming, which is the only year of like occurrence since my recollection in 45 years. The Peach crop was a poor one and apples have not kept as they usually do.

1890

January 1st, 1890 Thermometer 49 the highest since January 1st 1876 on 1st day of the year the month warm with but few days below freezing. The lowest was on the 17th when the Thermometer was 17. The month was also a rainy one. Flowers have been blooming as well as the different Fruit Trees at times during the whole month, with many buds not yet opened so that Fruit is safe thus far or a portion of it. February was a continuation of January So far as mildness is concerned, on the 9th Thermometer 18 the lowest of the month. Strawberries, Peaches &c. with the different spring flowers blooming. Buds not all opened yet. Had a Heavy Rainfall 11 55/100 Inches for the month. On Tuesday Feb. 25th a heavy wind storm or Tornado passed through Bowling Green & the county blowing down Barns, out houses, Fences, unroofing Houses, blowing off Chimneys, scattering signs, &c. but no one was injured, it was from 1 1/2 to 2 P.M. and only lasted a few minutes, & was accompanied by rain. March opened cold with slight snow on March 6th the Thermometer was 8 above Zero, which was the lowest for the winter. Afterwards no cold weather except on the 9th, 16 & 29. When there was a slight freeze There was 3 78/100 In Rain on the 27th there was a heavy wind storm with Tornadoes in many parts of the country. The most disastrous was at Louisville about 8²⁰ p.m. doing a great deal of damage to property and Killing some 90 to 100 persons. There was no damage done here the storm being light, with wind lightning, Thunder and rain. Not near as severe as the storm Feb. 25th In allen co. Gallatin & the western part of the State much damage was done. April opened pleasant, with seasonable weather slight Frost in the country March 21, with sufficient rain fall during the month. There is still a good Fruit Bloom, notwithstanding some Fruits have been blooming each month. Since Dec. those early Blooms, were Killed by the freezes up to the last of March & April. W. C. Brashear picked 1st strawberries 30th April, May was a pleasant month. Moderate rainfall & seasonable. June was warm & Dry no rain of consequence after the 15th & which extended to the 24 July during which time, corn & all vegetables suffered very much, making short crops. very few Peaches, apples dropping off. Grapes fair yield. August came in with rain & continuing until we had an abundance. September Rains continued, through the month making the Pastures fine & late crops good Strawberries ripened in small quantities during the month, and continued ripening in Oct. which was very unusual for this Latitude. October was a pleasant month. Rains abundant. November continued pleasant & beautiful with plenty of rain. December was also beautiful shunshiny & spring like. The weather during the fall has been cold enough to Kill the Pork-wadhave it keep, indeed one of the very best falls for it, as there was no very cold weather and no time so warm as to start the Fruit Buds, not with standing we had a Drouth in June & July that almost ruined the corn crop. Yet there was more rain fall during the year than any year for the past Eight, it reached 63 Inches for the year.

1891

January 1891 opened warm, which was a continuation of Dec. 1890, lowest Thermometer in that month was Dec. 9th 16. While January was moderately warm yet it was cool enough to keep Vegetation from starting. Lowest Thermometer 7th, 18. Rainfall 8 48/100. February continued still mild lowest Thermometer 5h, 16° & 27th 20P Keeping evenly cool. Vegetation still held

16.

back, no Fruit Blooms having appeared yet. Rainfall 6 83/100 for month. March still cool & pleasant 1st & 5th Thermometer 18° with heavy rains to the 9th have not had enough snow during the winter to cover the ground & only 3 or 4 flurries. The River only lacked from 3 to 4 feet of being as high as it was in 1880, was the highest on the 9th was over the pike at the foot Bridge some 4 feet on the 14th. Thermometer 18. First Peach Blooms 20th month cool & backward with heavy rains during the month 8 91/100 inches. April opened cool with most of the Peach Trees in bloom. There was a very heavy Bloom on all Fruit Trees. Peach Blooms commencing dropping on the 10th The month was cool up to the 9th Thermometer 75. 20 & 21 Thermometer 82 & 86. After that it was cooler there was a small rainfall 2 71/100 Inches for the month. May opened moderately warm. Columbus Phelps brought in first ripe Strawberries Monday May 4th on 6th & 7 a freeze which did considerable damage. The month continued cool and dry on the 2d, 83 hundredths of an inch rainfall and only $\frac{1}{2}$ inch for the rest of the month, on the morning of the 16 & 17 a killing Frost in Ohio & other States. Considerable damage by the drouth up to this time. Strawberry crop good but shortned by the season. June 1st opened warm Thermometer 90° E. Phillips brought in last strawberries 10th. There was a fair Rainfall up to the 20th June after that very little fell during the commencement of quite a severe drouth. July was a very only one & Eighty five Hundredths of an Inch of Rain during the month, the fear was for another disastrous drouth and it was remarkable how the crops kept alive at all during the time many things especially Garden Vegetables being almost a failure. August started out without rain had slight shower on the 7 & 8th and a good rain on the 17 and from that time on during the Month had plenty. 7 31/100 Inches falling, which settled the question of Corn, Tobacco, Potatoes &c. We had the best Peach Crop for many years and the quality was better than usual. The apple yield was good, but they natured prematurely and dropped from the Trees. So that very few kept for winter. The Wheat yielded abundantly. Oats very poor and the Hay Crop not a half crop. Taking the year all together it was more favorable than the average years. September & October were delightful months. had only slight frosts until the 16 of Oct. when Thermometer was 30. Killing tender Vegetables Vines &c. had plenty of rain in November and delightfully seasonable weather. December was mild, enough cold weather however to satisfy the Pork buyers, butchers, &c. had no snow to the end of the year. The Health for the year was not as favorable as some years. Typhoid fever in the summer and the "Grippe" in the winter. Typhoid taking the young and the "Grippe" the old. So farewell 1891, while some shadows have fallen the sunshine has predominated.

1892

January 1st 1892 Rain with light snow at night on the 5th about $1\frac{1}{2}$ in snow. Slight snow and sleet on the 10, 11th & 12th. Morning 13th 2 Inches Sleet. Ice formed 3 inches during the Cold snap and many Ice Houses filled. Cold weather continued until 25th Ice 7 inches thick on the morning of the 7th. Thermometer 2 above on the 15th 3 above very light rain fall. February opened pleasant and continued so during the month. There was no very cold or warm weather, but sufficiently cool to keep vegetation back with a light rain fall. March continued pleasant and mild. Thermometer 19th on 11th and 18 on 16th. Snow $4\frac{1}{2}$ Inches which fell mostly on 15th but snowed a little for a day or two before, which is the deepest of all the winter. 16th Sun Shone and melted pretty much all the snow, about 7 p.m. commenced snowing again continued all night and till after 12 on the 17 with 10 Inch full on the 18, slight Flurries of snow, melted snow & rain fall during month 4 22/100 inches. April opened with only moderate weather, no very warm or cold days during month. Coldest 24 on 10th. Warmest 79 on 27. Heavy Rainfall for the month being 6 94/100 Inches. The season is backward but every thing promising so far. There was only a moderate Strawberry yield as themost of the time it was too wet.

June was favorable for everything, with rain sufficiently. The Raspberries did not turn out very well. July was a dry month. Blackberries was a poor crop as the Drouth affected them. Only 1 42/100 Inches for the month of rain and everything began to suffer except wheat which was the best yield per acre for many years. The Hay Crop was also extra. August was also a dry month with 2 59/100 Inches Rain, during July & August. There was passing showers and in some neighbourhoods enough to insure a good crop. Other places there was not a half crop. Grapes did tolerably well. Pears scarce. Peaches but few Apples a very slim crop, which fell off badly. September had some good rains. October very Dry only 13/100 inch of rain. Winter apples dropping badly, and those left not keeping well. November enough rains & December a heavy rainfall had a cold snap the last of December Thermometer 7 on Dec. 29. Ice was put up. 4 inches thick solid & fine, had only a little flurry of snow once or twice. Health for the year good with a few Deaths from Typhoid Fever, but not many cases.

1893

January opened with a little Rain, on 2d a little snow which melted on the 3d. One Inch of snow, thermometer on the 3d down to 10 and on the 15th below zero it was cold all through the month. Ice formed 10 inches thick, was very little rain or snow only 72 hundredths of an Inch. No wind storms. So that although cold, it was a fine winter month, everything favorable for a good crop year. The ground was frozen quite deep, freezing many of the water pipes all over town, with Ice 10 inches thick. February opened warmer. Thaw out the water pipes, which was an agreeable change from the long cold siege of over Five Weeks. There was 4 26/100 In Rain Fall & melted snow, on the 10th 4 In. snow. The rain kept the ground so wet but little flowing could be done. March came in pleasant, and continued moderately cold, with but few warm days, the showers have kept the ground wet, and but little work done by the farmers until the middle of the month. Thermometer on 4th 9. First pear & apricot & Peach blooms 23d on 22 & 23 Thermometer 75 with high winds both days and storm condition which culminated in Rain. Lightning and severe wind in the evening of 23d which attained its greatest Fury at 7:30 p.m. Demolishing Round House at Depot. unroofing the cook building on 10th Street blowing it over the new Wilford Building. damaging it by some of the Timbers Striking the end & roof and the Debris falling in the Park, the building next adjoining Wilfords above was partially unroofed. Signs, awnings, fences blown down, but no lives lost, and only one man injured in the Round House. The storm came from the South West, a March continued until the end of the month Pleasant & 1st Peach Blooms 25th.

April opened pleasant & warm with plenty of Rain Peaches in full Bloom the 3d with everything favorable for a full Fruit Crop. The month was a wet one retarding Farm work. Frost on 23d 24 Killing berries on 29. May opened pleasant. Mr. Brashear brought 3 gall. Strawberries to market, May 2d. There was not over a half crop strawberries, raspberries, blackberries &c. July was quite Rainy with 3 66/100 in rain falling. June was seasonable with slight rainfall. The summer passed without having any excessively hot weather 94 being the highest in July. The rest of the year was favorable to crops. Tobacco a good yield and quality. Corn a good average crop except in a few localities, there was a deficiency of rain at the time most needed. Peaches, were not plentiful, and apples scarce and not keeping well. The fall & December were exceptionally fine, enough cold weather for Hog Killing. &c.

1894

January came in mild which was a continuation of the previous part of the winter and continued mild on the 28d at 2 p.m. 60 was the mark of Thermometer about 3 a.m. on morning of 24th commenced raining which turned to sleet, afterwards snow about 2 inches of snow falling.

Wind blowing from the West and turning Rapidly Cold at 8 a.m. Thermometer 11 above and continued growing colder at 9 p.m. was at Zero and at 6 a.m. of 28th 7 below Zero. February was moderately cold with 6⁹⁹ Rainfall pretty evenly distributed through the month. Keeping Farmers from doing any farming on morning of 16 Thermometer 11, which was the lowest for the month. Commenced snowing early in the morning of 25. Snowed all day and into the night. Ten inches of snow falling, the indications are that the Peach Pear & other buds were killed on morning of 25th January. March was ushered in with beautiful weather first five days being spring like & warm which continued until morning of 26th when Thermometer went down to 15 and on the 27 to 11. Owing to the Previous warm weather vegetation of all Kinds had progressed so far that everything was Killed. Fruit Buds of all Fruit Buds of all Fruits even to the Nut bearing trees of the Forest and many young Peach Trees, so there was no Blooms which cut short the Yield of Honey. They making during the Season only enough to feed upon. April was a pleasant month, no extremes in Temperature, and mostly warm. Thermometer 86 on 29 which was the highest. May was a continuation of good weather. Strawberries Ripening a little later than usual owing to many being killed in March. So that there was only about half a crop. June 1st Thermometer 35 with light Frost no damage done. There was a very short crop of Raspberries and but few Blackberries, especially the Cultivated ones. In Sheltered places near the River a fair crop of Wild ones showed up. The Month was pleasantly warm until 26, when until the end of the month. Thermometer was from 90 to 97 with a light Rainfall was less than an inch and a prospect of a Drouth. First 3 days of July was quite warm 95, 94, & 91 & continued seasonable all through the month, except a deficiency of Rain fall. August up to 7th was pleasantly warm from 8th to 18 Thermometer 90 to 98. The rest of the month pleasant. Still light rain fall Drouth Severe good showers in places, and no rain in others, there was a short crop of Grapes. There was not a Peach, Pear, Plum, Cherry in the County a few apples and they the Genettes. September was a pleasant month through still light Rain fall corn crop in places almost a failure, equal to 1854 In other places a fair crop. The Wheat & Sorghum turned out well. Oats & Meadow short, October was a beautiful month. Very light Rain. No Killing Frosts November beautiful month, 1st Killing Frost on 6th. Rest of Month Pleasant with light Rain fall. December was a splendid Fall month, up to 26 slight snow on 27th Turned cold 28 -- 1, 29 -- 4 continuing through the month. Ice formed 4 Inches thick. The Rainfall for the year was 37⁵⁶ Inches. The least amount 5 inch I have been keeping the record which is 12 years.

1895

January 1st opened cold and on the 12th & 13 was below Zero & on the 30th 4 above. There 6.03 Rain & melted snow on the morning of Feb. 7 Thermometer 4 above at 9 p.m. 3 below Zero morning of the 8th 11 below 9th 7 below 10th 4 below morning of 14th 1 above. The rest of the month was moderate winter weather with a light rain fall only 63/100 of inch. March had no extremely cold weather and but little snow and 3 67/100 Inches rainfall. April was a pleasant month only light Frosts and a moderate rainfall 3 7/100 Inches. May was a pretty even Month, excepting light Frost 12th & a Freeze on Morning of 14. Thermometer 31 and on morning of 17 & 18 Frost. These Frosts injured the Fruit on Plumb Trees Cherries and some other Fruits. Injuring the Peach Buds so that they mostly dropped off and Killing Raspberries & Blackberries, Rainfall 5 70/100 Inches. June was a seasonable month, no extremes of warm or cold and a Rainfall of 2 12/100 Inches. July was a Very wet month retarding Farm work. There was 9 46/100 Inches Rain, which was the heaviest in 13 years the time I have been Keeping the record. August was not an exceptionally warm month rather pleasant all the way through with a Rain Fall of 3 52/100. September was a Dry month, not very hot, but somewhat oppressive owing to

lack of Rain, and many things suffering for Rain. The first Frost was on the morning of the 28th & 30th Injuring Tobacco &c. in the Fields. Rain fall for month 62/100 of an Inch. On morning of Oct. 1st Thermometer 29 and on 2d 29 on 3d 32. These Frosts did great damage to Tobacco & some late corn. The month continued dry, so much so that Turnips failed to make much. There was some few other Frosts during Month but slight. The rain fall was only 1 62/100 Inches. October was a pleasant month with more Rainfall 46/100 Inches which helped fill up the Ponds & Springs. The Drouth in many parts of the state was so great that persons had to drive their stock & Haul water for miles, which has been the case but seldom in the State. The apple crop of the country was greater than for years. The Corn also was one of the largest yields Known, owing to the fact partly that many Farmers Plowed up their meadow lands and planted in corn, as the Cut worms of many Varieties were so numerous that they litterly destroyed Root & Branch never before in the History of this country were they so numerous.

1896

January opened with moderately Pleasant weather till the 4th when the Thermometer was 4 above Zero the remainder of the month there was no cold Weather very little Snow and rain amounting in all to 1 15/100 of an Inch. February opened mild on the 8th there was four inches of snow on the 20th Thermometer 3 above on the 21 3 above with 3 62/100 Inches Rain & melted snow after the 21st weather mild. March opened with 7 48/100 Inches Rain & melted snow. April opened warm. Thermometer on morning of 2 & 3, thirty. After that there was no killing Frost during the month. Rain Fall 3 77/100 inches. May was warm and seasonable there was no Frost during the month it was 90 on the tenth and 91 on the 11th. June was warm & Seasonable. Thermometer 90 on the 7th 92 on 23d & 90 on the 26th with 4 09/100 Inches Rain Fall. July was Seasonable and warm Thermometer on 26. 93 on 25th, 94 on 28th 95, on 29, 96th on 30th, 97 on 31. 94 with 7 96/100 Rain fall. August was a usual Warm. Thermometer on the 1st 94 and on 6th 97, on 7th 96 continuing for Several days above 90 not getting below 79 at 2 o'clock during the month with a light Rain fall only 1 31/100 Inches. September was a warm month. Thermometer being upon several days at 94 and and the lowest at 2 o'clock 55 on the 29th with 4 02/100 Inches Rain Thermometer was 33 on 24 th light frost. October was a pleasant month first Killing Frost on 18th when the Thermometer was 26 and on 19th 27. The highest during month was 78 light Rain fall 1 27/100 Inches. November there was no extremes of Temperature until the 29 when the Thermometer was 18 and on 30th 13. The highest was 74 on several days with 6 43/100 Inches Rainfall. December opened with Thermometer at 13 on morning of the 1st on 24th 18 on 25th 12, the highest 67 on 12th & 64 on 13 & 31st with 1 88/100 Inches Rain. There was a good average crop of Strawberries & Raspberries Blackberries Short. Peaches Fair crop apples short crop. Wheat not an average crop corn a large crop.

1897

January opened and continued warm and delightful until the 25 when the thermometer fell to 1 above zero on 25 & 26 on 27 4 above on 28 6 below on 29 5 below, on 30 4 below, on 31 9 above. Ice formed 5 to 6 Inches thick Ohio River froze over suspended Navigation at Louisville $\frac{1}{2}$ In snow on the 5th 2 Inches Snow on 27 Rainfall 5 64/100 Inches. February opened with Thermometer at 32 and continued mild throughout the month with 5 26/100 Inches Rain. The lowest Point the Thermometer reached was 11 on the 27. March was a very mild month Thermometer 30 on the 7th, 27 on 15th 32 on 16th 25.30 on 26th, 25 on 27th 28 on 28th 26. The rest of the month warm. 1st Peach Blooms 20th Rain Fall 7 18/100 Inches. April was warm throughout the month light Frost 17th, Thermometer 34 18th, 33 20th, 32 but little

damage. Rain Fall 8 57/100 Inches. May was mild throughout Thermometer on the 16th 38, which was the lowest of the month. There was a deficiency of rain at times with 2 80/100 Inches Rainfall. The Strawberry yield was below the average. June was warm all the way through. Thermometer on 30th 97. A very light rain fall 96/100 Inches for the month. The Wheat Crop was a very large one but the lack of Rain affected other crops. July was a warm month Thermometer on the 3d 101. There was deficiency of Rain which was 3 76/100 Inches for the month. August was a warm month Thermometer the highest on the 3d when it was 100. There was a light rain fall for the month which was 2 51/100 in. which was telling disastrously on the corn and vegetables. September was warm and dry, only 10/100 Inches of Rain during the month, Thermometer on 21st 36, 22d 35, 23d 40. With Light Frost. The Drouth affecting all kinds of Vegetation & Killing some trees in Reservoir Park cutting short the Peach and apple crop. with few exceptions those we had were quite indifferant, and almost totally destroying the sweet & Irish Potatoo yield. October was warm light Frost 21st, 23d 24th 25 & 26th First Freeze 30 th. Thermometer 28 Rain fall 89/100 Drouth still continuing notwithstanding there was a fair corn crop cutting short every thing else. Noember was mild, coldest on the 18th when thermometer was 20 and on 24th 18. Rain fall 3 23/100 Inches. December was also a mild month. Thermometer lowest on 24, when it was 13, on 25 th 16 and 27th 20. A few snow Flurries and light snow during month. Rain fall 3 86/100.

1898

January was a mild winter month the lowest point the Thermometer reached was on the 2d, 12 degrees above. A heavy rain fall during the month with but little snow. Rain Fall during month 10 77/100 Inches. February opened cold Thermometer 12 on the 1st 11 on 2d & 4 on 3d which was the lowest during month with but 90/100 Inches Rain fall which enabled the Farmers to do a good deal of work such as putting in Oats, sowing grass see &c.

March came in with a few Frosty days Thermometer on the 5th down to 20. First Peach blooms on 16, 4 days earlier than last year. Apricots, Peaches, Cherries, Plums & Pears. now in full Bloom on the 24 a great deal of Farm Work was done in the first part of month which was dry & pleasant. Thermometer 28 on 31. Rainfall for month 7.88 inches.

April was a pleasant month no cold weather. Fine for outdoor work with Rainfall of 4 2/100 Inches. First strawberry Blooms killed by Frost on 6th & 7th.

May was a mild month, First Strawberries ripened 8th to 10 with a large rain fall during month. Rainfall 6 04 Inches. Fair average crop of Strawberries. June was a seasonable month with plenty of Rain. 506 inches. Raspberry crop a large one. Blackberries short crop.

July was a pleasant month with plenty of Rain. 5 81/100. Wild goose Plums a failure, the Japan was a full crop. Wheat a large crop but harvesting was delayed by rain. Oats, same, and too much rain for corn.

August was a warm month, no excessively hot weather, with Plenty of rain 4 71/100 Inches. Grapes moderately good crop. Apples very small crop, Peaches but few, as they were mostly Killed in the bloom. Some Pears, corn crop bids fair to be very large although rain has interfered with working it.

September was a warm month with good rains. Rainfall 3 88 The apple crops was the poorest for years. Scarcely any winter apples maturing but dropping off prematurely no frost during month.

October opened mild first Frost on 14th & 15th first Killing Frost on 27th plenty of Rain during the month, 5 27/100 Inches.

November was a seasonable month Thermometer 7 on the 27th Winter apples a total failure. Rain fall 3 31/100.

December was a pretty cold month Thermometer 4 below Zero on 14th. Ice 2 to 3 In. thick, many persons put it up. It turned cold the last day of the

21
month again. The fall was a late one for the Farmers, as it was so wet they could not get their wheat in early and some not at all. Heavy Rainfall for the Year 61 19/100 Inches next to 1890 when it was 63 In.

1899

January was a pleasant month, no extremes in the Temperature, the lowest Temperature was on the last day at 9 p.m. when it was 2 above. 7 87/100 Inches Rain fall. February was a very cold month, on the morning of the 1st 9 below, then it moderated and turned cold and on morning of 8th 4 below and continued till the 15th on the 13th 20 below. Freezing water pipes under the ground besides freezing hydrants bursting water backs of stoves &c. there being snow on the ground and continuing cold so long, quails Rabbits and many birds froze & starved to death and doubtless Killing all Peach buds and possible many Trees. March was quite Seasonable, very little Cold weather, but a good deal of Rain, 7 07/100 Inches. April was also a pleasant month and continued all through. There was a few Peach blooms in different parts of the county but it was where they were protected by being on the ground, or were a building but no Peaches. The Plums, Pears, & Apples also Cherries bloomed with a promise of Fruit. There was 4 11/100 Inches of Rain very little Freezing weather during the month May was a pleasant month. Strawberries produced a large yield with plenty of rain which made them very abundant and cheap. June was a seasonable month, thermometer well up in the Nineties part of the month with a light rainfall 1 94/100 which began to tell on Berries. Raspberries & Blackberries suffering, which cut them off and made short crop, and injured Early Potatoes & Vegetables, there was a light yield of Irish Potatoes. July was an even month as the Temperature was without extremes, and there was plenty of Rain 5 69/100 which checked the Drought after the early corn had been injured. Late corn had not suffered. August was a pleasant month no extremes of temperature light rainfall 2 81/100 Inches which was affecting vegetation. September was evenly warm with very light rainfall 0.97 Inches which was affecting Late corn & late Irish Potatoes owing to lack of rain almost a total failure and corn still suffering. There was no Peaches, very few cherries Plums and Pears, Apples all dropping off and have done so all season. Supposed to be caused by the alternate drouth & rain October opened with a light freeze, killing a few tender vegetables and there was no Killing freeze during month. Rainfall light 1 70/100 Inches, corn cut short. Bean was entirely cut off not enough raised for seed. November was a pleasant month, first killing frost on the 5th and but little cold weather afterwards Rainfall 2 10.100 Inches. December was moderately cold until the morning of the 29 when it was 10, on the 30th it was 5 degrees above, which was the morning of the Fire 2 houses burnt, occupied by Jones Grocery & Campells Jewelry stor also the Council Chamber over Jones. There was but one house Sabel, between me and the fire. Had it turned it would probably have burned this building. Thermometer on 21 Zero. There was 4 87/100 Inches of rainfall for the year 49 26/100 Inches.

1900

January opened cold on the morning of the 1st., Thermometer, 13, on the 2d, 4 on the 3d, 9, then it moderated and continued warmer until the 29th when it was only one degree above zero at 9 p.m. on 31st 10. February opened cold morning of the 1st 4 above. Then it moderated until the 16th, when it was 18 with 7 Inches Snow. 17th 4 above, 18 26 below, 19 3 above on 25th 5 above. Have had 3 ice spells so far. Ice from 2 to 5 Inches thick. March was a pretty even month, no extremes of temperature and but a light rainfall, 2 20.100 Inches. April was also a pleasant month, some few warm days, with only light Frosts, not enough to damage anything with light rain fall two 51/100. The season is more backward than some years no strawberries ripening in April but prospect good. May came in moderately warm but season still backward. Strawberries did not come in until the 8th or 10th when in a week or so there was a lack of rain and they suffered considerably. From

the 28th to the end of the month had an excess of rain, which kept the gardeners from picking and a good deal of damage from that but the crop has been as good as usual. The prospect for Raspberries, Blackberries and Pears, Peaches, Apples, Plums Grapes &c. is very flattering. Rainfall Four 08.100 Inches. June came in with heavy rain. Strawberries still abundant. Raspberries and Blackberries not very abundant, but a fair crop with 5 42/100 Inches. July was a wet month with no excessive heat. Rain fall 7 55/100 Inches. Plums, but few Peaches a very poor crop but few fine ones in the Market, they dropped off, stung by the insects. August was a warm month. Thermometer 97, on 19th and 21st not a heavy rain fall. Peaches and Pears very scarce. The grape crop was a good one. The apple crop very poor. Maturing and dropping off too soon. September was a warm month no very hot weather. Rainfall 3 80/100 Inches. The wheat crop was an average one, Oats & Hay crops good. Irish Potatoes poor October continued warm light frost on 17th & 18th & 19th not killing. No extremes in weather Rainfall 2 74/100 Inches. November opened pleasant. First killing frost 4th and 6th on the 20th Thermometer 18 very heavy rainfall 11 Inches for the month. There was a large crop of sweet potatoes. Scarcely any winter apples or late Peaches, December was a pleasant month no cold weather or snow, or ice. Rainfall for month 3 35/100 Inches. For the year 64 64/100 Inches, being the greatest amount since I have been keeping an account of it. Taking the year together, there was a good average of almost every crop raised here.

1901

January opened warm and continued so all through. The Thermometer was the lowest during the month was on the 18th down to 18. Very little snow and light rainfall, all told 2 65/100. February continued mild Thermometer on the 6th 15 on the 20th, 16; on the 23d, 12; on 24th 16 above and continued mild all through. Rain fall only 1 31/100 Inches. March opened still mild on the 3 thermometer down to 10 above, the coldest of the winter and then was mild the remainder of the month. Rain fall 3 71/100 Inches during the whole winter not exceeding 2 Inches of snow has fallen. The Fruit Trees commencing blooming the last of month. April still mild. Spring late as the weather was cool, cloudy and damp with considerable Rain at this time the 18th all Fruit Trees in full Bloom, with a promise of a large yield of all Kinds of Fruit, continued pleasant during the month Rainfall 3 98/100 inches. May was a Seasonable Month, no Frost mild and pleasant. Rain Fall 1 37/100 Inches. Strawberries needing rain. June was a warm month. Thermometer 98 & 99 on 23 & 24, with 3 04/100 Inches Rain. There was a large crop of Strawberries. A small crop of Raspberries & Blackberries. July was a very warm month with only 28/100 of an inch Rainfall. Thermometer was 100 & 102 on several days the highest was 103 on the 22. All vegetation suffering for rain, actually scorching the corn & other things. Making the outlook gloomy as early corn cannot recover from the effect of the Heat and Drouth. Aug. continued hot & dry, the meadows being cut short. There was a rainfall of 7 43/100 Inches for the month which brought out the pastures, and revived late corn, and other Vegetation but such things as Beans, Peas, and Vegetables, Tomatoes &c. was a failure. September continued seasonable. Moderately Warm Rainfall 5 32/100 Inches. Late corn was benefitted by the rains, making Roasting ears plentiful, but Early corn was not advanced. Wheat estimated half crop. Hay short. Oats pretty good yield. Irish Potatoes a failure. The corn crop was not over one third of the average, some of the best lands in the County not making over a Bushel to the acre. The Bottom Lands were not affected by the Drouth as the uplands, yielding in places a good crop. October was a warm pleasant month, light rainfall 72/100 of an inch. No Killing frost in this month. November was a pleasant month, first Killing frost on the 4th Rainfall 1 25/100 Inches. December opened moderately warm light frost first, with a couple of light snow storms, on the 14th turned cold. Thermometer morning of 15th -9, 18th -5, 19th -2, 20th -10, 21st -8. Five Inches of Ice formed. Rain & melted snow 5 60/100 Inches. The total Rainfall for the year 1901 was 64 64/100 Inches the least rainfall for 19 years.

1902

January was a mild and pleasant month. The lowest Temperature was 10 above and the highest was 61 on the 9th with 7 87/100 Inches Rain fall for the month. February was a cold month without any extremely cold days. Thermometer on the 3d & 5th 4 above which was the lowest of the month. The highest 57 on the 26th. Rainfall for month 1.22. March was rather a warm month the highest Temperature was 74 on the 25th and the lowest was 11 on the 18th with 5 96/100 Rainfall. April the mornings were cool but pretty warm in the middle of the day lowest Thermometer was 28 on the 2d highest 86 on 25th. Rain fall 2 59/100. May was a warm month lowest Temperature 43 on 29th highest 91 on 20 Rainfall 4 37/100. Strawberries were later than usual in ripening and the light rainfall for the 2 months, previous diminished their yield, so that there was only a moderate crop. June opened warm and continued so through the month lowest Temperature 45 on 23d highest 97 on 21d Rainfall 3 09/100 there has been a lack of rain and vegetation is suffering strawberries were cut short by the Drouth, and Black berries, Raspberries almost a failure. July brought with it hot summer weather. The highest Temperature was 101 on the 17th with only 73/100 of an Inch Rainfall all Kinds Vegetation suffering corn particularly. Irish Potatoes a failure. August continued hot & dry highest Temperature 98 on the 3d Rain fall 2 72/100. September was a warm month Thermometer 92 on the 8th. Lowest 30 on the 14th with 4 37/100 Inches Rainfall. October was a pleasant month highest Temperature 81 on the 3d lowest 25 on the 29th, Killing many things in different places but not a real Killing frost. Rainfall 3 79/100. November was an evenly pleasant month with highest temperature on the 11th 76. Lowest 20 on the 28 which was the first real Killing freeze. Rainfall 4 21/100. There were only a few good peaches and they scattering almost a failure. The same with apples, a few summer and fall ones. The winter apples a total failure what few there there were would not keep so that all our winter apples were Brought from the North. December was a seasonable month, the coldest was 3 on the 28 There were several cold days, which made 2 Inch Ice highest Temperature 61 on 2 & 11th the Rainfall 9 86/100 for the month. Wheat & Corn about a half crop. Hay moderately good.

1903

January was a Pleasant month moderately cold. lowest temperature 5 above on 13th. Ice formed from 4 to 5 Inches, highest 57 on 26 & 27 Rainfall 2 66/100. February highest Temperature 70 on 2d lowest 4 below on 17, 2 below on 18, 6 below on 19. Rainfall 8.64 for month 6 Inches snow on 17th. March was rather an even month highest Temperature 76 on 18th, Lowest 22 on 2d & 3d with 4.71 Inches Rainfall. April was a warm month Highest Temperature 81 on 11th 29th. Lowest 30 on 24th. with 3.07 Rainfall. May was a pleasant month Thermometer 90 on 26 Lowest 33 on 4th with 4.84 In. Rain. First Strawberries on 2d. with fine prospect for a crop. June continued to grow warmer. Thermometer 85 on several days. Lowest 38 on 13th with light Frost. Rain 5.93. Strawberries continued to ripen during the month, was a fair crop. July commenced warm and continued through month was 95 on 10th lowest 53 on 14th with 5 Inches Rain, thus far have had rains pretty evenly which bids fair to give a large corn crop. Wheat was only a moderate crop. Oats good & Hay. Raspberries not very plentiful, and scarcely any Peaches. Some Summer apples, Cherries good. Plums scarce. August was not unseasonably warm, highest 95 on 25th lowest 52 on 31st. Rainfall 3.26. September was not unusually warm, a pleasant month, highest 92 on several days, lowest 33 on 18th. Rainfall .92. Which caused crops to suffer especially late Irish Potatoes, which were a failure and other things suffered. October the beautiful was a delightful month pleasantly warm, highest 89 on 4th lowest 20 on 25th which was the 1st real Killing Frost. Rainfall 2.63 have had a charming Summer and Fall, not overly hot, with plenty of rain except for a short time, with a better corn crop than we have had for several

years. Late Peaches & winter apples scarce, this has been an exceptional year in a Strawberry way, for some varieties have had berries from first of May until they were killed by the frost in October. November was a delightful month, the maximum was nearly 10 degrees colder than Nov. 1893 and minimum nearly 15 Degrees colder the coldest was 8 on 19th with 2.38 Rain. December was a cool sunshiny month highest 54 on 12th lowest 3 on 26th with 3.57 Inches Rain; with maximum 2 degrees higher than last year & minimum 10 lower.

1904

January was a continuously cold month with no extremely cold weather, the lowest was on the 27 when it was 3 above, the highest on 21st 58. Rainfall 2.88 Inches, with only 2 or 3 light snows. February was evenly cold, no great extremes, lowest temperature 6 on 3d, highest 59 on 27th with 2.77 Inches Rainfall, but very little Farm work done on account of the frozen ground. March still continued cool lowest Temperature 18 on 4th highest 81 on 26th with 4.99 Inches Rainfall everything very backward. Apricots & some Cherries bloomed last of month and some Peaches. April opened warm did not remain so long. The Fruit Trees continued to bloom on the 4th & 5th, the freeze destroyed much of it and what remained was badly damaged on the 17th & 18th when Thermometer went down to 24 & 28. All strawberry blooms, that were open have been killed, on 20 had a snow $3\frac{1}{2}$ Inches deep, which is unusual and had it been dry, would have measured more as hail and sleet was mixed with it. May was a pleasant month. Thermometer 90 on the 25th and 34 with light Frost on the 15th with rainfall 2.46. June was also a Seasonable Month. Thermometer 92 on the 24th & 25 & 90 26th. The Lowest 53 on the 10th with 6.60 Rainfall. July was a pleasant month. Thermometer 93 on the 19th & 31st, lowest 52 on the 3d. Rainfall 4.19. August was moderately warm, without any extremes highest thermometer 92 on the 21st, Lowest 48 on 27th with 2.43 Rainfall. September was a seasonable month highest Thermometer 92 on the 1st, lowest 48 on 17th with light rain fall 2.38 Needing Rain. October was a moderately warm month highest Thermometer 88 on the 10th, lowest 34 on 18th and 25 on 27th, with .06 Rainfall. Suffering for Rain. Stock water getting scarce as well as Spring. November was a delightful month. Thermometer 68 on the 1st and 19th with Lowest 18 on 15th with 1.18 Rainfall. Water scarce throughout State having to haul water for family & stock, and in Eastern part for locomotives. So that the Drouth was very severe. December was also a delightful month, highest Thermometer 64 on 25th. Lowest 13 on 29th, with 5.50 Rainfall which relieved the Drouth. Rain fall for the year was 36.84 which was the least except 1901, which was 36.64 had very few Peaches & apples owing to the cold snow & sleet storm when they were in Bloom. Strawberries were a good crop as were Raspberries. Blackberries not plentiful, other fruits not a good crop. Irish & Sweet Potatoes scarce. Wheat crop good Oats & Hay also good.

1905

January 1st was one of the most beautiful days that we ever had in the Winter. Calm and not a cloud to be seen, with no wind blowing. highest Temperature for month 60, on 1st lowest 5 degrees below on 25th and average for month Several degrees below normal. Precipitation 3.29 Inches. Snow for the month, 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ Inches. February continued cool, highest temperature 57 on the 28th, lowest 8 below on the 8th. Rain fall for month 2.58. March came in mild and continued pleasant through the whole month, with very little wind, vegetation came on rapidly. Fruit trees began budding on 25th with a very heavy bloom, was a beautiful month as could possible be. Highest Temperature 81, lowest 30. April commenced quite warm and summer like, was more windy than March. Moderately warm, highest thermometer 83, lowest 28 on 17th with a little higher for 2 or 3 mornings with light snow storm, feared the Fruit was all Killed, but little damage done except early Strawberry blooms, first ripe berries, 29th which was early to have

brought in market. Rainfall 2.81. May was a pleasant month, highest Thermometer 90 on 29th lowest 44 on 1st. Rain Fall 3.85. June was seasonable Highest Thermometer 98 on 18th Lowest 52 on 1st. Rainfall 3.54 a light Strawberry crop, and other Berries not very abundant. July was not very warm but seasonable, Thermometer 95 on 18th, lowest 57 on 26. Rainfall 3.46. August was warm but not excessive Thermometer 96 on 6th, Lowest 55 on 27. Rainfall 1.66. September was quite warm Thermometer 93 on 17th, Lowest 50 on 21st. Rainfall 3.55 October was seasonable, Highest 86 on 1st, Lowest 28 on 28th. Most of Winter Apples and the Peaches in many places Killed. Rainfall 3.46. Had some Early Peaches & Apples, but a late frost in Spring. Mr. Charley L. Porter had some very fine Peaches and others in different sections had some few. A short crop of Irish Potatoes. Moderate Crop of Sweet Potatoes. There was a good crop of Corn Hay, & Wheat November opened pleasant, Highest Thermometer 71 on 18, Lowest 20 on 30th. Rainfall 2.21. There was a good Grape Crop. Nuts Plentiful. December was a pleasant month no extreme cold or heat. Thermometer highest 55 on 9th, Lowest 16 on 5th. Rainfall for year 38.04.

1906

was a prosperous Year, the winter was mild Ice only 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 inches thick, and snow only 3 or 4 times and very light not even an inch at a time, with moderate rains in the winter, the Spring was some what backward and no late Frosts to Kill Fruit Buds with a few exceptions rains were Seasonable at one time needed Rain in Strawberry season. Good yield of Strawberries Raspberries were scarce, Blackberries plentiful in some places a good yield of Peaches, others scarce. Apples early and late a poor crop. Scarcely any winter Wheat a fine yield, but damaged by too much Rain fall for the year. Hay, good, Corn a Large Crop, but owing to too much rain very damaged. Tobacco a good crop. The Summer and Fall was very Pleasant, No excessive heat or Storms. The Rain fall for the year was 49 70/100 inches, a little more than the average so that there was no Drouths and but for the excess of rains at certain seasons to prevent working the crop and in the fall not drying out so they could gather it, there would have been an extra Crop of everything.

1907

January was a Pleasant winter month not much cold weather. Thermometer 28, 4 below, but little snow and no Ice. 6 28/100 Rainfall. February was a pleasant month no extremes of temperature, 4 72/100 Rain. March was a very warm month, Thermometer 22d 88 averager maximum 20 degrees higher than year before and minimum 10 degrees than year before. Result was that everything budded out prematurely. Fruits and everything April was a cool month, maximum being 7 degrees cooler than March & minimum 5 degrees lower than March with freezing weather. Thermometer on 11th 23 which with continued cool weather, Killed almost all the Fruit Buds of apples, Peaches, Plums, & Pears, had some Cherries, but only a few places were there any Peaches or Apples and they were very imperfect. May was also a cool month. Strawberries was later than some years, had an abundance of Rain in May, which made the crop not as abundant as it would have been otherwise, over 6 in. Rainfall. Raspberries and Blackberries Plentiful. June was a pleasant month. Wheat and meadow crop good, as was corn and all other crops except Potatoes had no very warm weather nor long continued, but rather a delightful summer but for the failure of the Fruits, would have been an exceptionally profitic year annual Rain Fall 49.19.

1908

The winter of 1908 was a mild one, very little snow and but little Rain. The spring was backward, and Fruit badly damaged by Late Frosts. The Strawberry crop was only moderate, not a large Raspberry or Blackberry crop, and only a few Peaches or Apples. Wheat, oats and Hay an average

crop. Had seasonable Rains in the spring and summer, but in the Fall there was a Drouth, which cut short the late corn. Early Cord was good. There was 40.46 Inches rain fall during the year. The Year was a pleasant one no extremes of heat or cold with no prevailing sickness nor unusual Deaths.

1909

January 1909 was mail Thermometer not getting to but 7 below and only 1 in Snow with 2.64 In. Rain. February was also warm 7.68 In. Rain. March was moderately cold with 5.65 In. Rain. April was a pretty warm month with 5.95 In. Rain. May was warm with 5.27 In. Rain. June was warm with 5.26 In Rain. July was a Seasonable month no very hot weather with 7.98 In. Rain. The Rains of the Spring R tards Planting corn &c. August was warm but no very hot weather. The highest Thermometer 99. 2.34 In. Rain. September pleasant. 2.92 In. Rain. October a seasonable month no Killing Frost until 22d. Rain 1.40 In which was short. November was warm with 2.53 In Rain. Rain still short which was shortening the Corn Crop. December was tolerably cold especially the latter part. Thermometer 4 below zero on 30th with 5 in. Ice and some snow the 25th with 4½ In Rain. The season was too wet in Spring and too dry in fall making only a moderate yield of Cord Wheat good. Oats and Hay good there was a good crop of early apples but few winter apples. Peaches & other Fruits light.