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The Journal of Charles Rawn

November 12, 1837 to February 19, 1838 (Book 9)

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Introduction

This portion of Charles Rawn's journal is quite eventful. On November 13, 1837, he purchased his combined house and office on Market Square from his relative, Jasper Peacock, for \$4,750, a considerable sum at that time. On November 16, he rode the new Cumberland Valley Railroad from Harrisburg to Chambersburg, commenting that "thousands" of onlookers expressed "astonishment" at the "great wonder." That evening Rawn watched ordinarily well-behaved men engage in "uproarious conduct" as they celebrated the new track and train by drinking a "tremendous quantity" of champagne and other wines. On November 28, Rev. "Josuah" Wolf, a converted Jew, began preaching in several services that Rawn attended. Wolf appeared first at the Episcopal church, then the Lutheran and German Reformed churches. Rawn tells us only that his topic was "Signs of the Times."

On December 6, 1837, Rawn's "very fine, large son" was born. The father was not certain what his name should be, so that decision was delayed; he followed his sister's advice and later named him Charles C. Rawn, Jr. The son attended Princeton, made a career of the army, and survived the battle of the Little Big Horn. He died in 1887.

The journal provides more evidence of Rawn's sentiments about slavery when it shows that he attended an anti-slavery convention in Harrisburg starting on January 16,

1838. We see again that Rawn appears to attract black clients: On February 2, 1838, he wrote, and underlined, that “8 negroes men & women in my office at one time . . . to see about some of their own Colour in Jail for larceny.” Rawn is flexible in other respects in his practice. One client whom he defended for larceny he let work off the fee by splitting wood. Rawn credited him \$1 for the labor, along with another dollar for previous work; the fee was \$25, so Rawn might have forgiven the remainder or expected the man to split more wood. Another client referred new business to Rawn, which he appreciated, because they had been in dispute over a fee; Rawn’s remark about him was that he “persecuted me with impudence” but that “I freely forgive him all the injury he tried to do me” (January 4, 1838).

Finally, this portion of the journal reveals more of Rawn’s political and economic attitudes. Hearing an address at a public meeting that was supposed to be mainly ceremonial, he was “disgusted” by how often the speaker referred to “Whigism, Bankism—all but principle isms.” On another occasion, he declared, “I use no ‘shin plasters’ [state bank notes of dubious value] upon the score of principle.” His position, he said, was “make the banks pay silver.”

The Rawn journal is a well-worn, hardbound volume with a brown, marbled cover with the number “9” inked in on the spine. Typical entries start with two numbers, separated by a wavy line and underlined. The first number represents the day of the month, and the second the day of the week. Of particular note is his use of underlining selected words and sentences. From the way in which the underlining is used, it appears to signify names, money paid or received, and points of particular interest to Rawn. The underlining also appears to have been used to signify (at times) strong feelings by Rawn.

The editorial style used in the transcription of this excerpt attempts to preserve the style, flow, and pacing of the original journal. To this end, the entries have been copied verbatim. The transcription follows the original format, duplicating the same breaks, pagination, and discontinuities. Spelling also has been preserved as it was written in the original, as is the non-traditional capitalization of words.

Those items which have been interpreted in the text have been changed so as to make clear the meaning of certain abbreviations not immediately understood by a casual reading. To this end, abbreviations of many first names and some place names have been interpreted and marked with brackets. Those interpretations that are conjecture are signified by brackets and a question mark. Selected words that were completely illegible are delineated by a question mark between two brackets. A few words partially legible are signified by the letters known, with the remainder represented by the word “indecipherable” between two brackets. Of particular note are three specific abbreviations, which I left as they were written. The abbreviations are: “inst.,” “vide,” and “ante.” In order, they signify “In the same month” (or this month), “referring to” (or refer to), and “after” (or subsequent to). “Vide,” and “ante” are most likely Latin or vulgate, used in shortened form by Rawn. Abbreviations are spelled out where possible, and when such would add to the context.

Of particular use in determining correct spelling of names mentioned in the text were the 1839 *Harrisburg Directory and Stranger’s Guide* and the *Harrisburg Directory for 1843*. Also used for content and style was “A Lawyer’s Life: The Journal of Charles C. Rawn, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 1831-32,” a 1996 thesis production by Margo C. Groff.

The Journal

November 12th, 1837 Thursday

[days in office?]

12~~1, Clear~beautiful~ very mild- I was at our church Morning & Evening with mother.

Took walk 3 or 4 miles in afternoon with M. Briggs Esq. Who accidentally fell in with me,- home at 3 ½ P.M. Met Mrs. Fanny Butler at our Church.

13~~2, Clear~~beautiful~ very mild. F.R. Shunk Esq. & myself Signed Articles of Agreement of law the Same in hands of [Jasper] Peacock Esq. By which he agrees to sell me his house in Market Square where my office now is for \$4,750 and to give me a deed of will On 1 April next. Paid [William] Graydon Esq. \$1 & ½ for 3 blank books of which this is one & gave him check on his account for that [amount]. Paid A. Buffington a [?] for 2 Tons of Schuylkill Mt. Stone Coal for my house (vide ante 10th put away by George Kelly & self) \$9.50 and \$2.25 for ½ Ton of Wilkes-Barre Coal for my office (a Bill of Receipt among my loose receipts) This with 1 Ton of Lykeus Valley Coal got of Philip Cline some days before makes 3 Tons of Coal put away at my house for winter, and the ½ Ton at My office with ½ Ton I got of Lykeus Valley Coal for it last Spring 15 april & of which I burnt some in the Spring and have been burning to [Saturday?] [last?] when the

[days in office?] Nov. 13- 1837

13~~2 [Continued...] ½ Ton of Wilkes-Barre this Morning paid Buffington for was put away. So that I start now with 3 tons at my house & about 5/8 Tons at my office with which I expect to pass the winter plentifully & have coal left, by brining some for the house to the office. Drew Check on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] in favor of A. Buffington for [said] 2 ½ Tons of coal \$ 11.15. Wrote note to Mr. Agg [Hess?] for [Reference] [Concerning?] Present on subject of Claim against him for Mr. F. Webb for the use of Abraham B. Maller? Of Washington city D.C. sent here to F.R. Shunk for collection. Kept Copy of said note. Sq. Agg called at My office at 2 p.m. and in [Evening]. At 7 p.m. when he [paid] Me on [account] of said claim \$130.00 for which I gave him a receipt. Kept copy. Was at my office with Shunk till 9 ¼ p.m. there to Peacock's where my wife went? Home with her.

14~~3

Snowing slightly till 9 or 10 a.m. Snow 2 or 2 ½ inches on the roofs where it had not melted when we got up. This is first snow here this season- Handed Frances for Family purposes 50 cts. Paid [William?] Cattrell \$5.34 in full for Wheat flour got 1/8 [?]- 22nd Sept., ¼ cent 29 Sept., ¼ Cent- 13 October, ¼ cent 28 Oct., & 1/8 cent the 9th inst.- also for 3 [quarts] Of lamp oil for the house & my office to 2 ½ cents] In all \$5.96 & gave him a Check on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] for that amount (in pile of Receipts among loose Receipts). A. [Mahon?] Esq. In my office at 4 p.m. Was at my office till 9 p.m.

15~~4

Clear~Cloudy, Ground Frozen Some ice. Paid for Apples & Sausage 25 cts. Paid Nathan G. Henrie for horse & [Tilbury?] 3 October last \$2.00. Horse & [Tilbury] 4 October cost \$1.25. Horse? & [tilbury?] 5 October last \$1.25 in all \$4.50, for the use of my Client [William] Ball. J.A. [Shafford?] Constable serve attachments & on witnesses in Cases I was at that time trying for Bale?, drew check on [Harrisburg Savings Institution] in favor of N. [Henrie] in order for said \$4.50 (v. Receipt Books) wrote to [Alexander Provost?] Germantown [Philadelphia County]. Kept Copy (v. Feb. 22, 29 1836 for letters from & to him) met at my office after tea till 8 p.m. & home.

16~~5

Clear~Pleasant. I walked with others from train to Present depot of "Cumberland Valley [Rail] [Road]" across the River about ½ miles from west end of the [Walnut Street?] Bridge from 9 to 9 ½ A.M. to Join Celebration of the opening of Laid Road through to Chambersburg it having been open to Carlisle some weeks

16~~5 Cont. Nov 16 1837 Thursday

(in pursuance of written Invitation Received by me [Saturday] Last from W. Milner Roberts Ch. Esquire) we left depot at about 10 ½ A.N. with a train of Cars & Locomotive & some 3 to 500 [population?] em [indecipherable] [?] what we took up on the way- arrives in Chambersburg at 3 ½ P.M. after stopping at all the towns on the way Some other places reached witnessing various manifestations of astonishment, wonder [?] from the Thousands of men, women & children who flocked to the road at the Towns & other points To see the great wonder. There was a dinner given by the Management of the Co.

at [Culbertson's?] Hotel," where 300 or more persons happily dined- Toasts were drank & speeches made generally laudatory of "[Nicholas] Biddle," "U.S. Bank" Credit [System?] & "the political complexion of which were not at all in accordance with what the democrats opposed to The Bank of The Bank's Present credit system had a right to expect from the general character of the occasion & the invitations given to us- a tremendous quantity of champagne & other wines was drunk and no small display of "Uproarious conduct exhibited by many who "professed to be Gentlemen." I visited in the Evening at F.G.W. [Culloh's?][George Chambers Esq. A.V. Findlays? Esq. & put into a bed with all my clothes on by my coat & Waistcoat at [Culbertson's] Hotel at 10 ½ P.M. to get up at midnight or 1 A.M. thereafter. Upon the whole, the Use? & meeting certain very agreeable old & new friends & acquaintances in [Chambers?] Was very agreeable but the Political complexion of some of the Toasts & Speeches was disgusting not today a breach Of that gentlemanly faith & curtesy which gentlemen of Contrary political sentiments on the Credit System, U.S. Bank & N. Biddle financiering Who had been invited to attend had a perfect right to expect. But no one need be surprised at this when such Politicans & apostates as [indecipherable] key & Penrose were there with the great Banker? [Nicholas] Biddles Brothers & other Lions of Whigism Bankism & many other "isms" noticeable but honesty & Principle isms.

Nov. 17 1837 Friday

17~~6 Clear~ Beautiful~ Frosty- left with the [Locomotive] & train of Cars.

Chambersburg At 11:00 A.M. cars crowded on return to Harrisburg- arrived at Depot 1 ½ Miles from Harrisburg at about 7 ½ A.M. from which place we walked to town where I

arrived at my own house as they sat at Breakfast. I went to bed after breakfast & took nap till noon. Then shaved [&] At my office in afternoon- Read letter from Julia Ann Rawn [Philadelphia] 19th Nov. 1837 in answer to mine to D.W.R. of 9^{inst.} & also indirectly referring to the receipt of Frances & my letter of 3rd inst. With Box of Meat & sent by [?] Shunk, received package and letter by the hands of F.K. Boas esq. With stock & other small articles & presents to Frances. Home at 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ P.M.

18~7 Clear~Beautiful~Paid for Marketing & ? 20 [cents]- Paid [William?] Cattrell (in presence of his little girl) in full of all demands for 1 barrel of Flour [delivered] last [Evening] \$9.50.- I was at a Democratic meeting of ninth Ward at Mr. [Kelker?] and offered preamble and resolutions (v newspaper next week) I acted As Secretary at said meeting. Home at 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M.

19~1 Clear~ Beautiful~Very Moderate warm, I was at our Church morning & Evening first with mother & then in Evening with Frances. Home at 8 P.M.

20~2 Clear~Beautiful~very warm Mr. [Tesm?] Of our [Court?] Commenced today- [Received] Of Mr. [Agg?] Esq. Stenographer for [reference?] [Concerning?] \$110- in full of Claim for Mr. F. Webb sent to F.R. Shunk on which [Agg?] [paid] me on the 13 inst. \$130 Paid [George] Newbecker \$1.25 in full for bringing about 1 cord of Hickory wood from the mouth of [Powel's?] Creek being the [balance?] of a lot of wood I bough last April?, was at my office till 9 P.M. home.

21~~3 Clear~Beautiful~warm, real "Indian Summer" & has been for some days. Wrote to [William] Strong Esq. Reading Pa. On same Subject as I wrote to him the 7 inst. & [paid postage] 10 [cents], [received] letter from [L.?] Chew Esq. [Philadelphia], Nov. 20, 1837 & [paid postage] 12 ½ [cents] in answer to mine to Alexander Provost? Of the 15 inst. Paid F.R. Shunk Esq. for Mr. F. Webb \$240 in full of money [received?] of [?] 13th & 20 of this [month] (v. Shunk [recorded] it in my Book) and at same time [Received] of [said] Shunk out of said \$240, my ½ of the whole charge For collection being Fee \$20. Shunk will retain same [amount]

[days in office] Nov. 22 ~ 1837 Wednesday

22~~~4 Cloudy~ Mild~ Paid for Marketing 70 [cents] Paid [William?] Bale on [account] of the [balance] of his half of the damages recovered in 125 [August] [7?] 1837 (the [unpaid] Balance being (after taking out of his half \$12,~\$4,~\$28.39 ½ & \$4.50) \$64.03) \$10 vide [receipt] Book & ante 11 Nov. inst.) Rain in [evening] from 5 ½ to 8 or 9 P.M. Ms. Peacock [&] 4 Daughters, & Mr. S.C. took tea at our house, ~ I spent [evening] at home.

23~~5 Cloudy, Clear, Cloudy, windy, Cold, but not Frozen at 11 A.M. [Received] of [Provost?] [Duck?], that is by him credited to me in my [account] for [Witnesses] [?] in suit no. 10 Nov. 7 1837 in [Dauphin?] [?] P. {snevily?} vs. [Huling?] [Attorney] & [M.?] Legal Fee \$4. Wrote to S. Chew Esq. [Philadelphia] in answer to his [letter?] 21 inst. & Kept Copy, was not at my office after tea, Witnessed Execution of some paper at request of [William] [Ayres?] Esq. in [Provost's] office by some man unknown to me, as well as

contents of this paper,- man said in my hearing in reply to intimidation from [William] Ayres that contents of paper had been made known to him

24~~6 Cloudy, hard Frozen, not very cold looks like snowing, Wrote to James Findlay Esq., Pittsburg to attend for [debt?] to [Crop?] [Exchange?] Witnesses in suit 78 Nov. [7?] 1837 vs. [Grossman] & Enclosed to him a Fee \$5 this morning [received] of [Grossman?] for that purpose, sent copy of [account] [?] in package which I sent by James Cowden who goes to be a [clerk] on “The Exchange Bank” at Pittsburg Handed Frances for family purposes 75 [cents] Drew [check] on The [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] in favor of [?] Rensing for \$3 change on [subscription] to “The [?] [?]” Spent [evening] after tea at home.

25~~7 Clear~ Hard Frozen~ Tolerable Cold Paid for Marketing 27 [cents]~ was in court nearly all day was concerned for Terry [Hagan], a criminal in a Prosecution against him & [Robert] [Laville?] for a conspiracy on [A.?] [Heunes?] information. After [McCormick?] Was engaged for [Laville?] & We tried them both together & got through at 8 P.M. having begun about 5 P.M. Jury to bring [verdict] in at 9 A.M. tomorrow. [Received] two letters from [L.?] Chew Esq. [Philadelphia Nov. 24, 1837], each, in answer to mine of 23 inst.

Nov. 26, 1837 Sunday

26~~1 Clear~ Beautiful. Hard Frozen, not very Cold. – I was at home all day indisposed by a cold in the head.

27~2 Clear~ beautiful Hard Frozen,- not very cold. Was at Court all day- [Paid] Mr.
 [?] 25 [cents] on [account] of \$1.25 for Sawing & Splitting about 1 cord of Hickory wood
 for me & gave him credit for the remaining \$1. On his note of \$5 due me (v note for
 some other credits this \$1) [Received?] of [Terry?] Hagan Fee \$5 for defending him on a
 charge of conspiracy (v ante 25 inst. & 22 Aug. last.) Attended Arbitration at 1 ½ P.M.
 for [?] of [Price?] & vs. Fisher? 47 Aug. ? 7.? 1837. (v ante 11 inst.) [received letter from
[William] Strong Esq. Reading Nov [.] 26 [1837] & [paid] [Postage] 10 [cents] in answer
 to mine of 21 inst. ~ [Received] letter by hand of [Sheriff?] Cochran of [William] A.
Atlee, [Dauphin] [County] Nov. 27 [1837] Also [received] letter and enclosures from P.
Frazer Smith esq. “West Chester, [Chester] [County] Pa. Nov. 24 [1837] Mother & Self
 took tea at Peacocks where we spent [evening]. I wrote to [William?] Ramsey Esq.
 Carlisle [Pennsylvania] About Cause on our [Trial?] List for this Week-

28~3 Clear~Beautiful~ Hard Frozen, not very Cold. Wrote to [William] Ramsey Esq.
 by Mr. [Merrly?] on same subject as last Evening. [Received] of [Jonathan?] [Sneirly?]
 by retaining [arbitration] pay in suit no. 10 Nov. [7?] 1837 [Snevily?] [vs.?] [Hulings?]
 credited in my [account] by [Provost?] [Duck?] Fee \$3. On [account] in said suit Paid
 [Arbitration?] in 110? 47 Aug. [7?] 1837 P[indecipherable] [?] [?] Fisher [Dauphin]
 [County] [Pennsylvania] their fees \$9 for which I gave Mr. McKinney one of them a
 [check] a [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] [Received] of the [Harrisburg] [Savings]
 [Institution] as of the 6 inst. Dividends \$7.35 on my stock [paid] in [?] \$210 for 6
 [months] up to [80?] 6 inst. At 3 ½ Pr. Cr. Which was that day [indecipherable]ed to my

credit as a Deposit in [said] inst. Of [lump] Sum of \$7.35 (vide my [deposit] Book & This entry this day made but of that date Jewish Missionary Converted to Christianity, name of [Wolf?] admitted to order in The Episcopal Church Came to learn & Lectured in that Church this [evening]. Mother & Frances went. I spent [evening] at home. Wrote to P. Frazer Smith Esq. West Chester in answer to his [received] Yesterday told him to send \$2 for [expenses], time Also to D.W. Rawn [Philadelphia] for [Saturday?] Courier for {Samuel} Ressinger & about my [Saturday?] Chronicle [paid] [postage] 12 ½ [cents]

[days in office] Nov. 29~ 1837 Wednesday

29~~4 Clear~ Mild. Paid for Marketing 3 [cents] not Frozen~Thawing~ Our [court] [adjourned] & Jury [discharged] at 10 ½ A.M. till Monday Next. I tried for [?] [Stokes?] [Hunn] vs. [William?] Church no. 81 Nov. [7?] 1835 after for Moving the Court for the admission of [?] [L.?] Ramsey Esq. of Cumberland [County] as an [attorney] in our courts who was Co- Counsel & also a witness in said case. I heard Rev. [M.] Wolf Converted Jewish Missionary this morning in Episcopal Church. ~Paid [J.?] [Lesley] [?] of “The [?] [Library?] Association” Two Semi-annual contributions due 1 June 1837~ \$2.00 (v. Loose Receipts) Drew [check] on the [Harrisburg][Savings][Institution] in favor of [Mr.] [Franklin?] For \$4. Two of which [paid] the [said] cont. & \$2 ½ [?] Shunks do for him. Was at [Episcopal] [church] this afternoon Spent time, to hear Jewish [Mr.?] Rev. [?] [Wolf?] then took walk 3 or 4 miles, & after tea went with Eliza Cameron & [?] A. Jane {Storyhten?} to hear same at [Germa]} [Reformed] Church from Peacocks with rest of their family~ home at 8 ½ P.M., having left with Mrs. Shunk [?] the Lecture was

through- she having [answered?] to stay only About an hour & Shunk being in [?] other end.

Nov. 30~1837

30~~~~5 Clear~ Beautiful~ very mild- not Frozen- Paid [William] Bale on [account] of the Balance of this half of the Damages Recovered in Bale vs. [?] 126 [August] [7?] 1837 (the Said Balance being after the payment of \$10 made by me to him 22nd inst. \$54.03) \$14.03 and leaves now of said Balance in my hands \$40.00 which is to be held by me until his [Suit] 125. of same Terms is tried (v. [Receipt] [Book]) Drew [check] on The [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] in favor of self for \$5 [?] money. Was at the Lutheran Church in the afternoon & Evening, the latter time with M[indecipherable] C. Cameron, [N.?] [S.?] Clendenin & Peacocks [girls?] to hear Rev. Mr. [Wolf] (v. ante from 28 inst. onward). Home at 9 ¾ P.M. at [Dr.?] R's shot at 9 P.M.

[December] 1~~~~6 Clear~Cloudy~ very mild- not Frozen~ [Paid] Mr. Rhoads, Storekeeper, by [check] on the [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] for Basin Pitcher & Chamber, [last?] with lid \$2.12 ½~ Paid for apples 22 [cents], took walk 2 or 3 miles about 4 P.M. Handed Frances for Family purposes 75 [cents] spent Evening after tea at home on [account] of indisposition in left side of head.

[days in office] December 2 1837 Saturday

2~~~7 Clear~ beautiful- very mild- not Frozen. Paid for 1 ½ Bushels Cornmeal \$1.20~ & for Marketing Sausage & apples 28 ¾ [cents]. Drew [check] on the [Harrisburg]

[Savings] [Institution] in favor of Jacob [?] for of whom I bought 1 [?] of Cornmeal 87 ½ [cents] being 7 ½ overpaid. Paid [Simmons?] chair Maker for Poker handle 6 [cents] by his [turning] boy present another of his boys~

3~~~1 Clear~ Beautiful~Mild~ was at our Church Morning & afternoon where our own Minister preached in morning & the Rev. [Josuah?] Wolf (Misssionary) in the afternoons, & at the [German] [Reformed] [Church] in [Evenings] where Mr. Wolf preached on the “Signs of the times.” The [?] were crowded in the afternoon & [evening] ~ home at 9 ½ P.M.

4~~~2 Clear~ Pleasant~ Mild~ was in Court nearly all day- Wrote to Major Henry Runyon (client) Millersburg [Dauphin] [County] about Case on Trial Sent for this week to come down on Thursday morning by [appointment] with Fisher opposing Counsel, I attended for Henry [Fyatts?] at Es[indecipherable] [Leiler’s?] at 6 P.M. in a case by [George] Wolfens [indecipherable] against him, ~ M. [L.?] [?] took tea with us. Home with her at 8 ½ home at 9 P.M.

5~~~3 Clear ~ Beautiful~ Mild ~ Somewhat Frozen, I was at Court principally all day. Spent Evening after tea at home to bed 8 ½ P.M.

6~~~4 Clear~ very Pleasant & Beautiful, I rose at 4 ½ A.M. & at 5 A.M. went for Dr. [William] W. [Rutherford?] For my wife who gave birth to a very fine large son at about 7 ½ A.M.~ Mrs. Putman & Mother & the Dr. were the only persons presents when the

Child was born~ Mrs. [Putman] was also present when our Daughter Elizabeth was born. Handed Mother for Frances for Family purposes \$1.00~ [Received] Yesterday of Henry [Fyatts?] for Services Monday [evening] Fee \$2. (Silver) do not take up fee then \$5 in any case except as a favor or gift (for certain reasons) to the individual Paid for Marketing 63 [cents].~ went for Mrs. Eliza [Russell?] to nurse my wife found her at Wilson's? Hotel nursing H.G. Rogers Esq. of Pittsburg, [member] of Ref. Cen. She went to my house at 11 A.M. about. Wrote to D.W. Rawn [Philadelphia] & [paid] [postage] 12 ½ informing them of birth of our little one. Was at our usual Evening Weekly meeting~ [Received] Retaining Fee \$5. Of Mr. [McMahon?]~ home from office at 8 ½ P.M.

[days in office] [December] 7 ~1837 Thursday

7~~~5 Clear~ Beautiful~ Milder- I was at Capital 2 hours this morning ~ [Received] of [Provost?] [Duck?] by him Credited in My [account] for [?] [?] in no. 10 [August] [7?] 1837 [Dauphin] [County] [Pleaded?]. Runyon vs. [?] our settlement by parties of Case [Attorney] [?] Legal Fee \$2.75 [Thomas] Franklin [?] Fellow defended by me on charge of Burglary & Larceny worked splitting open wood for me about 2/3 of the day. Allowed him \$1 for I on his note due me of \$25 [up?] one other \$1 for work some time ago. Was at my office after tea till 9 P.M.

8~~~6 Clear~ Beautiful~ Moderate although Some ice this morning yet not very cold~ Paid Jerry Kelly ([Colored] Man) in full of all demands for [Coopering?] 68 [cents] for which I gave him a [check] on the [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] (v. Receipt Book)

[Postage] 5 [cents] on [December] [month] of “The Gentlemens Magazine” was at Court till 8 ½ P.M.

9~~7 Cloudy~ Much colder~ [Snow] from about noon~ Paid for Marketing \$1.48 ¼ that is for about 22 [quarts?] [shellbanks?] 50 [cents], ~ A Turkey 43 ¾ 3 Large head cabbage 12 ½ [cents] ~ Meat 20 [cents] & [?] 23 [cents] ~ Spent [evening] at home, M. [L.?]. C. took tea with us

10~~1 Clear~ Snow fell Yesterday 2 or 3 inches thawing today~ I was at our Church Morning & Evening. [Received] letter from Sister Julia Ann Rawn “[Philadelphia] [December] 8 [1837]” in answer to mine to D.W.R. of 6 inst. informing them of birth of our little boy~ her letter Suggests that he shall not be named David or [William] but [Josiah?] Clendenin or Charles C.~ I have the matter under Consideration & have yet fixed no choice in my own mind.

11~~~2 Cloudy, Clear, Cloudy, Cold, I saw Sleigh for 1st this season, but it’s rather an apology for Sleights. [Received] letter from Dr. [George] Anderson Buchanan “Wheeling [Virginia] Dec. 4 [1837]” [paid] [postage] 18 ¾ [cents]. Wrote in reply Kept Copy Have been reading The Life of Aaron Burr & [about] now at the 2nd volume Was at my office till 9 P.M. Mrs. {Baab?} wife of Jacob [Baab?] Esq. of [General] [Democratic] paper called this Evening to speak to me on the subject of her said husband drinking & Squandering his Estate.

12~~3 Clear~ Cold~ Thawing~ [?] [Court] [Jonathan?] Weidman & his son Adam both of Perry [County] in my office. Employed me as Counsel about Adam's [Hamaken?] Estate with [McClure] who has been Counsel for some years. I met them

[days in office] Dec. 12, 1837 Wednesday

12~~3 [Continued]... with [Mr.?] Douglass After tea at [McClures] office~ [Exchanged] Case and came to my office at 8 P.M. Stayed till 9 P.M.

13~~4 Clear~ Cloudy~ Thawing ~ I was engaged all day till after 9 P.M. in [orphans?] Court jointly with Mr. W. Cline on [Hamakers] estate, for [Mr.] [Douglass?] & Mr. Weidman & sons Adam & [?] exceptions &. [Received] letter from [William] S. Ramsey Esq. "Carlisle Dec. 12 [1837]" [paid] [postage] 6[cents]. Also from [Durden?] B. Carter "[Philadelphia] Dec. 8 [1837]" [paid] [postage] 12 ½ [cents] replied & Kept Copy. Also from Philip Dotts "[Philadelphia] Dec. 11 [1837]" & [paid] [[postage] 12 ½ [cents] Paid for Marketing this Morning 98 ½ [cents], home from Court at 9 ½ P.M.

14~~5 Cloudy~ Coldish~ hard Frozen. Wrote to [William] S. Ramsey Esq. Carlisle in reply to his of Yesterday Was at Court principally all day. Home after tea from Court 9 P.M.

15~~6 Clear~ Coldish~ hard Frozen. I was at Court principally all day~ was at the Funeral of [Jonathan?] P. Keller at 2 P.M. at Court till 8 ½ & then home at 9 P.M.

16~7 Clear~ Coldish~ hard Frozen~ Paid for Marketing 65 [cents] that is 1 lb. Butter 25 [cents] 1 half of chicken 30 [cents] & beef Steak 10 [cents] ~ Paid at [?] store for Coffee 4 lbs. 60 [Molasses?] 47 ½ in all. \$1.07 ½ & Drew [check] on the [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] in favor for that [amount] Paid Dinah [Walters?] \$1.00 on [account] of wages & drew [check] in her favor on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] for that amount. [Received] of [Provost?] [Duck?] no. 47 Aug. [7?] 1837 Price [?] vs. Fisher [Attorney] & [?] Legal Fees \$4. [credited] by him in to me In my [account] for [?] [?] also of same in same Suit Similarly credited [Arbitration] pay \$9 ½ [paid] by me in [same] case 28 last [month] Also [Received] of same inst. Suit 126 Aug. [7?] 1837 Bale vs. [Gilchrist?] similarly credited by same in my [account] for [meetings?] \$16.30 that is today 25 [cents] [paid] by me for subpoena \$1.87 ½ Mary Dotts [costs] \$1.25 Philip Dotts costs, 92 ½ [cents] for Bale serving Subpoena, & \$12~ [Arbitration] pay~ [Received] out of [said] \$3.12 ½ due Mary & Philip Dotts 12 ½ postage [paid] on his letter [received] on [same] subject 13 inst. [Received] Fee \$12.92 ½ [on] [said] Bale Money on [account] for Services in Suit no. 125 [August] 7 1837 Bale in G& M's in which I have yet [?] [received] nothing. (v ante 2nd, 3rd Oct. & 11 Nov.) [Received letter from [Thomas?] Chambers Esq. Chambersburg Dec. 14 [1837]

[days in office] December 16 1837 Saturday

16~7 [Continued...] & replied [thereto]. Commenced Snowing about noon & [continued] all day was at my office after tea till 8 ½ P.M.

17~1 Snow 4 or 6 inches deep. Hard Crusted ~ Sleeting nearly all day~ Slippery~ I was at our Church in morning & at German [Reformed] [Church] in [evening] where Rev. Mr. More or Capt. More lectured as agent for the “[Philadelphia] Bible Society” took up a collection, I gave 12 ½ [cents] home from Church with Fanny Peacock & home to my own house at 9 P.M.

18~2 Rain till 10 or 11 A.M. Slush shoe top deep~ Cleared Coldish about noon, some few Sleighs running. Was at my office principally all day. At McKinney’s office & Served Copy of Interrogation on [William] Bostick for [Mr.?] McMahan client. Home from office after tea at 9 P.M.

19~3 Clear~ Frozen~ tolerable Sleighing [Received] letter from [William] S. Ramsey Esq. Carlisle Dec. 16 [1837] in answer to mine of 14 inst. Also [received] letter from William A. Atlee halfway home Dec. 19 [1837] by hands of [William] Cattrell with Enclosures from Isaac? C. Kauffman- [paid] John Crozier for a Quarter of beef. Hind quarter weighing 99 lbs. At \$6.50 for hundred & some to \$6.43 for which I drew him a [check] on the [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] tried case of Mr. M. Eberman vs. [?] [Griffith?] no. 66 Nov. [7?] 1837 before [Arbitrators?] at 10 ½ to 1 P.M., [said] Crozier cut up my beef for me. [Received] letter from Mr. K. Findlay Esq. “Lancaster City” Dec. 19 [1837] And replied thereto [postage] 10 [cents] [?] letter, - put down my beef this [evening] tonight~ spent [evening] at home.

20~~4 Clear~ Cloudy~ Was up at 6 A.M. & to Market Bought a Pig of Henry Miller weighing 195 lbs. at \$6.25 per hundred & came to \$12.18 ³/₄ for which I drew him a [check] on “The [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution]” Also another pig of Jonas Swartz of 163 lbs. for \$10.18 ³/₄ and drew [check] in his favor on the [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] for that Sum. Paid for a Single Ham of 10 lbs 75 [cents], & for butter and apples 49 1/2 [cents]~ Paid Stone Bill (v B R) at A. [?] \$1.57 & drew [check] in his favor on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] for that Sum Paid for 1/2 lb pepper 10 [cents] [Paid] [William] Egbert, [colored?] fellow, for assisting me about cutting my Pork 25 [cents], Cut on Sausage meat [?] ourselves with [said] [William’s] help David Pool Esq. [Married?] 13 inst. to Sarah McCord.

[days in office] [December] 21. 1837

21~~5 Clear & Cloudy~ Sleighing tolerable good many sleights running last [evening]. [Received] note from Finance Hagan, Prisoner, (presently) of this date. Stuffed our Sausages [& spent day helping?], I seasoned them that is mixed it~ Put Pickle on my Pork packed last [evening]. [William] S. Ramsey Esq. in my office on Subject of his letter [received] 19 inst. ~ Dr. [Jonathan?] A. Weidman at my house at 8 to 9 P.M. I took him to my wifes Chamber~ on his way to the City of [Philadelphi]~ He left at 9 P.M.

22~~~6 Clear & Cloudy~ sleighing tolerable~ was at my office all day Called at Mrs. Musgraves at 6 P.M. to see Mr. & Mrs. Tyler (late Mrs. Wharton) Met Henry [Matters?] [Chairman?] of W Bank there~ also Daughter 15 or 16 years old of Tyler’s~, Staid till near 9 P.M. & home

23~~7 Cloudy, Cold, Sleighing pretty good paid for Marketing 28 [cents] ~ Wrote to [Joshua?] D. Bi[indecipherable] Esq. [Attorney] at Law & [Justice] of Peace [?] [Bank's?] [C.E.O.] on [witnessing] for my client Mr. McMahon who [paid] [postage] 3 [cents] on [said] letter & 2 enclosures. Took Sleigh ride toward town with Ezra [Grossman?] at 10 ½ A.M. 10 [minutes] or so. Served notice with Shunk on tenants. Home 9 P.M.

24~~1 Clear ~ Moderate~ Sleighing pretty good. Mother & Self at our Church in morning. Self there in Evening~ Took walk about 4 miles [circular?] at 4-to-5 P.M. Read Burr's life by Davis.

25~~2 Clear Mildish~ Good many Sleighs running~ Snow melting~ Frances's nurse Eliza Russell left her to go to [George] Beattys whose wife [had] a Daughter, Paid [said] Eliza Russell \$6.80 in full for 2 weeks & 5 days Service with my wife Handed her a Check on the [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] for that sum~ [Paid] [?] Cochran for my clients Stokes & [Hurm?] In Eq. vs. W. Church to [January] 7, 1838 \$1.40 for 1 weeks [loan?] for said Church & gave him Check for that sum (v. his [receipt]) on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] Our Daughter [Elizabeth] & Self dined at Mr. Peacock's~ Mother & Frances at home with baby [Kit?]~ was at my office till 9 P.M.

26~~3 Clear~ Pleasant~ Snow melting very fast~ Sleighs running~ attended for [?] arbitration of Suits no. 7, 1837 [Tilghman?] & [son] vs. Peter [Kester?], in morning till 1

P.M. at 3 P.M. [bought] Terens Hagan & [Robert] Laville ([prisoner/in Jail] before associate Judge [Greers?] to procure their discharge.

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26~3 [Continued...] ~ which he refused to do~ because as I say he is ignorant of the law and about as fit to expound or decide upon laws at to be [President] of the U.S., or [Chief] [Justice] of [the?] [Supreme] [Court] Paid [William] Keller for 10 lbs. Sugar at 10 [cents] & 6 ¼ lbs. Coffee at 16 [cents] \$2.00 by giving him a [receipt] for that sum for 1 Years Subscription to the [Saturday] [Evening] Post. [Received] letter from [Josiah?] D. Biles Esq. “[?] of [December] 25 [1837]” [paid] [postage] 10 in answer to mine of 23rd inst.~ also from Sister Julia Ann Rawn”[Philadelphia] [December] 25 [1837]” mailed by some person to whom she had handed it to be [?] at “Paoli” & [paid] [postage] 10 [cents] & Wrote to her in reply & [paid] [postage] 12 ½ [cents] My office till 9 P.M. Finished Reading “Life of Burr”

27~4 Clear~ cold~ Paid for Marketing 31 ¼ [cents] attended Arbitration as [attorney] for [plaintiff] in Suit no. 17. 18 Nov. 1837 [Tilghman?] [?] vs. Miller, (one set of [arbitration]) from 11 A.M. to 1 P.M. ~ Bought Load of Wood of [Jonothan?] [Learing?] 1/3 and at \$1.25 [therefore?] for Dinah [Walters?] ([collected] monies) [married] of Jacob, my old valet, went with it to her house with the Carter. This [paid?] her on [account] of [ways?] and to the Settles with [Learning?]~ was at usual weekly meeting at [?] Room of our Church home at 9 ¼ P.M. from office.

28~5 Clear~ Pleasant~ Snow melting~ Sleighing “used up” Gave Ezra [Grossman?] a \$5 note for \$4.75 [cents] silver that is [paid] 26 [cents] for the Exchanges I use no “[Shin?] [Plasters?]” upon the score of principle~ They are a fraud in any and every way, their issue a violation of law they are Bank [Latetties?], they are cheats~ no high minded honorable man having any justice or republicanism in his Composition should in any way circulate or receive them~ make the Banks pay silver till they [break], the laws are amply sufficient for the purpose, and it is especially as politick and just if not more so to force them to the [?] of their debts or insolvency as it is [so] to force individuals~ Paid Mrs. Getz \$3.02 in full (v B&R) for [colounsy?] Frocks, shawls & for Frances and drew [check] on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] in her favor of that [amount] Paid [William?] Curtes ([colored?] fellow) 10 [cents] for wheeling 2 barrels of Lykeus Valley Coal from my house to my office. Was at my office till 8 ½ P.M. & at [Neyles?] Hotel till 9 ½ p.m. [with] Dr. Sturgeon Mr Pratt, H. [Nattey?] & Self had discussion upon [propriety?] of Capital punishment [Sturgeon] and Pratt & Self against them

[days in office] [December] 29~ 1837 Friday

29~6 Clear~ pleasant~ Paid [George?] Beatty for repairing my watch a little 25 [cents]~ was at office all day Shunk & Self took walk about 5 P.M. & went to his house Isaac M. Con at my office this morning after which C.A. [Snyder?] There about Security for M. Cons debts for which I have [Executed?] [vs.?] him but would not give his name but would give some writings he held for coal Lands of I would [stay?] all & give 6 [months] I told him to give me his personal responsibility & I’d do it which he would not. Was at [Boyers?] Inn after tea with [J.] G. [Jauss?] and afterwards at my office till 9 ½ P.M.

30~~7 Clear~ Beautiful~ Paid for Marketing 33 [cents] being 1 lb. Butter & 8 [cents] for apples~ Mr. Con in my office again today on same business as Yesterday ~ no arrangement yet effected~ [?] [?] [Lauchlin?] here this [evening] was at [Nagles] Hotel Reading Room 7 ½ to 8 ½ P.M. to my office & home at 9 P.M. or before.

31~~1 Cloudy~ damp~ very little Frozen. ~ I was at our church morning & Evening Mother with me in [?] morning~ Shunk and his three [sons?] [Casper?] [?] & Francis at our house this afternoon, boys much taken with our Young baby~

[days in office] January 1 ~ 1838 Monday

1~~2 Cloudy~ mild~ very little Frozen from last night~ at 10 A.M. looks for rain. ~ Francis James Esq. State Senator called at my office to borrow [Laundens?] [Pleadings?] & [?] I had it not but took him to McCormick's office to whom I was introduced him & who lent him the book Mother & Self & Daughter dined at Mr. Peacock's today by special request. I understand this is the 25th [anniversary?] years day Mother & Mr. P. have dined together either at his house or hers. ~ Was at our usual "Monthly [?]" meeting [paid] 12 ½ [cents] into [?] collection after which the congregation organized by choosing [Robert] Harris [Chairman?] & Myself [Secretary] for the purpose of electing two Trustees~ & receiving [?] the [accounts] of the [?] [William] Allison & Herman [Alricks?] were elected the latter over [Jasper?] [?]- old [Frister?] by 4 votes. M. McKinney & Self wrote "Letters of Instructions" to Jacob Fox, [Samuel] Longnecker, Dr. [Leshner] & [Jonathan?] [?]. [Commissioned?] to take [test] in Mt. Carmel, Wabash

[County] Illinois, enclosed [with?] them the [?] & interrogatories & Postage \$4.00 to be charged to our Client M. [Shitz?]- was at said meeting at Church till 9 P.M. & home.

[days in office] January 2, 1838 Tuesday

2~3 Cloudy~ Mild~ Froze very little last night looks like for rain~ was at [parson?] to see [Jonathan?] A. Remberger Young man last [Saturday?] Enlisted as a soldier in U.W. Service, now arrested for debt~ advised him to get off from the Service & turn his attention to something else [?] [Received] letter from [Josiah?] D. Biles Esq.

“[Womelsdorf?] [December] 30 [1837]” & paid postage 10 cents Paid my Postage Bill for [Year?] ending 31 last [month] \$3.09 vide Bill receipt. Wrote to [S.?] Chew Esq. [Philadelphia] in answer to his letter [received] 25th Nov. last. [Received] in Silver of Ezra Grossman, client on [account], Fee 44.50 in full of a note of [hand?] of his for five dollars~ was at my office till 9 ¼ P.M. M. [L.?] C. Supped with us.

3~4 Cloudy. Foggy, damp~ Soft. Did not freeze at all last night. Paid for Marketing 31 cents being 1 lb. Butter 25 cents & apples 6 [cents] ~ Paid Pollock for ½ [?] [?] 12 ½ cents Paid for 1 peck of oysters 23 cents [Paid] postage 23 cents on letter from Frances to her brother Mr. Joseph at Little Rock Arkansas. Was at our Wednesday [evening] meeting~ [then?] at my office at 8 P.M. & home at 9 P.M.

4~5 Clear~ Mild~ froze very little last night very mild all day~ Paid Josiah Espy for 1 [Bushel] [?] apples at my door 50 cents Drew [check] on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] in favor of Josiah Espy for \$2.50 change he paying me \$2 for 1 year

[subscription] to [Saturday] [Evening] Post & giving me a \$5 notes beside said apples. Paid Mr. C. [Brenizer?], his bill in full for Carpenter Work Making meal Chest circular table [?] \$14~ (v. Bill & [Receipt]) and [Received] of [said] [Mr.?] C. Brenizer? as [advised?] of Jacob [Balsley?] [?] Fee \$20 for advice about [said] Estate & for Stating & [passing?] his [administration?] [account] on [said] Estate & for Stating & [passing?] his [administration?] [account] on Said Estate~ was at my office till 9 P.m. [Benezer?] Hale brought a new Client by name of Col. Jackson McFadden to my office. This act of Hales is particularly gratifying to me in as much as he & myself had a dispute about my compensation in a Suit I tried for him against C.A. Snyder a couple of Years of so ago in which I got a verdict of about \$317 for him. Her persecuted me a good deal with impudence [?], but to my great gratification has some months time Confessed his Error & renewed our Docibility. I do most freely and did long time freely forgive him all the injury he attempted to do me.

[days in office] January 5~ 1838 Friday

5~~6 Clear~ Cloudy~ mild~ Rain about 1 to 2 or 3 P.M.~ did not freeze last night and is mild as Spring. Col. Jackson McFadden (v. yesterday) at my office~ I went with him to Mr. McCormicks office~ he employed us jointly as Counsel in a Suit against him to our next [term?] Paid me a Retaining Fee \$10 & M.C. the same in [McCormick's] office. [Received] of [Jonathan?] A. Remberger Fee \$5 for filing [motion?] for him, getting him released from prison and perhaps a foolish enlistment. J.M. Cord P. [Wolfensberger?], C.A. Snyder & M. [Sneirly?] at my office after tea about giving notes for M. Cord's

liabilities on which I had him arrested. I paid B. Parke Esq. for 4 Insolvent Bonds 11 [cents] was at my office till 9 P.M.

6~7 Cloudy~ mild~ Froze very little last night Paid for 1 lb. Butter 25 [cents] Paid [William?] [Grayden?] Esq. 98 [cents] costs in a [judgment] by [George] H. Berghaus vs. [Thomas?] Wallace on his docket. [Appealed] to me & Settled with Wallace by me 6 June or 10th July 1832. Took Frances our riding from 2 to 3 P.M. in [Tilbury?] & Horse of [Nathaniel] [Henrie?] first time She has been out Since her confinement Which is one month this day~ took our Daughter Elizabeth along.~ was at my office after tea till 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ P.M.

7~1 clear~ Cloudy~ Mild~ Frozen very little last night~ Mother & Self at our church morning & afternoon and in [evening] I went to the Episcopal church with Peacocks, where the Rev. Mr. Franklin preached, ~ home from [Peacock's] at 9 P.M.

8~2 Rain~ Mild~ Rained good deal All last night. [crossed out following sentence] Wrote to [Josiah] D. Biles Esq. {Womelsdorf?} in answer to his letter [reference] 2nd inst. & [paid] [postage] 10 [cents]. [Received] letter from [Josiah] D. Biles Esq. [Womelsdorf?] [January] 6 [1838] with deposition of A. Showen enclosed & [paid] [postage] 30 [cents] wrote to Bartholomew Curry Jefferson Powhatten [County] [Virginia] about his Suit 21 [August] 7, 1837 & to send me a fee of twenty dollars, as at Democratic Celebration of this day at Mrs. [George] W. Johnson (late [?]) very large [?] present. Set down to Supper at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M.~ Supper was excellent~ room finely decorated~

Toasting & Some short Speeches, all very pleasant broke up at 10 P.M.~ I [paid] club bill \$1.50 and drew [check] on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] [favor of Mr.

Gh[indecipherable] for that Sum,~ [T?] hk. of H of [Receipt?] Rest of Meeting

[days in office] January 9~1838 Tuesday

9~8 Cloudy~ Raw. Some wet Snow. I was engaged for [Jonathan?] G. Jaus till near noon in Suit before [Esq.?] Leiler v. [?] [Foenry?] & [Thudium?] was at the [Caplot?] from 11 ¼ A.M. to 12 ¾ P.M. Saw & Conversed with Mrs. Frances James there Wrote note & Kept Copy to [George] Fisher Esq. near Middletown about Keiter & Miller bonds for [Fighman?] ([honorable] [?]) estate & Lent same by Solomon Wentz to whom on his return this evening I [paid] \$2 [.00] one there of [?] for his passage down and up in the [Cars?] and Drew [check] on The [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] in his favor for [?] Sum of \$2. Was at [McClure's] office after tea till about 8 P.M. examining [Hecmaker?] [account] with him. Then to my own office till 9 P.M. & home.

10~4 Clear~ Much colder~ [Paid] 25 [cents] for 1 lb. Butter Handed Frances for Family purposes 75 [cents] [Paid] Dinah Walters on [account] of Wages \$1. & drew [check] on the [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] in her favor for that [amount]. ~ [Paid] [Josiah?] Gray for F.R. Shunk [administration?] of [Jasper] [Himble?] [deed?] \$5 for Surveying Hanover farm of Said [deed?] & drew [check] on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] in favor of [?] for \$3 of said \$5 he having \$2 to pay me as agent for 1 years [subscription?] to the [?] Chronicle. Tried arbitration of [Jonathan?] Shitz vs. M. Newman 16 Nov. 1837 for [?] Case of Flander, [Jonathan?] Mayglauchlin? Late of [Elizabethown?] in my office

with Dr. Gowman of Halifax whom he introduced. Said Maglauchlin at my office again after Supper when I [received] of him \$10 on [account] of my client [Hostmans?] claims in Suit 6 Aug. 7, 1837. Wrote to M. K. Findlay Esq. Lancaster & Enclosed 2 letter from [said] [Hostmans?] to [W.M.] & [delievered] to M. to carry this at request of M. who says he can more conveniently find Security in Lancaster [County] than here. Was at my office till 9 P.M. & Then home.

11~~5 Clear~ Cold~ Brought [T.?] Hagan & Robert Leville before Judge Blythe at his Chambers on a Habeas Corpus and had them discharged (v. ante 26 last [month] when judge Green refused to discharge them) So much for having old Grannies for [Associate?] Judges. [Received] of [?] L. to pay expenses [?] Fee \$5. The [said] \$5 being in [?] [?] I would not receive it but permitted them to hand it to the [Provost?] [Check?] [Jonathan?] Davis Esq. to be Credited to me for Writs [?] the [said] [Provost?] being however in my debt some \$10 or \$15, or more before; : [Received] letter from sister Julia Ann Rawn “[Philadelphia] [January] 6 [1838]” was at my office after till from 8 till 9 ¼ P.M.

[days in office] January 12 1838

12~~6 Clear~ Cold~ Took walk about 1 ½ miles before breakfast. Was at The Capital from 12 noon till near 1 P.M. [William?] H. Dillingham Esq. of [House?] [of] [Representatives?] from Chester [County] Handed me \$[2] as from P. Frazer Smith Esq. for Services as of 28 [November] last 9 (v. ante that date) [Received] of [said] Dillingham to pay [said] \$2. A \$5 note as I wanted not take [Shin?] [Plasters?] & Gave

him [check] on the [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] for his change \$3. [Jonathan?] [McMahon?] & his [?] M.[Balsley?] [George] [Fluk?] & a [Stranger] at my office after tea (v. tomorrow). Was at my office till 9 P.M. & home.

13~7 Clear~ not so cold~ Beautiful day~ Tried Arbitration for [?] [McMahon?] vs. [McCabe?] [number] 18 [January] 7, 1838. Slander case from 10 [A] [M.] to 12 ½ P.M. I paid [Jonathan?] Berryhill one of [Arbitrations] in said case for the “Report” \$4 & drew [check] on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] in his favor for that sum, [received of] [Mr.?] C. Bucher in C.C. Rawn vs. [McClintock?] [?] 117 [August] 7, 1837 \$114.20 in full of Principal & [Interest?] in said case assigned the judgement in said case to him on the docket & Gave him a loose [Receipt] for said Money. (v. ante [September] 8, 1835 for \$100 [list?] to debts. Said Bucher gave me a [check] payable to myself alone to “Cashier office Bank of [Pennsylvania]” for said money (witness [William?] [?] [Jonathan?] Davis Mr. Ott.0) [Received letter from] [S.?] Chew Esq. [Philadelphia] [January] 11 [1838] in answer to mine of 2nd inst. & Paid [Postage] 12 ½ [cents].~ [Received] letter from J.G. Clarkson Esq. “[Philadelphia] [January] 12 [1838]” with Claim against J. Hunt in favor of J.A. [Molee?] & Son & [paid] [postage] 12 ½ [cents].~ was at my office till 9 P.M.

14~1 Clear~ Pleasant~ Mildish~ Mother & Self at our church morning & afternoon~ [Received] letter from [Mr.?] K. Findlay Esq. “Lancaster [January] 12 [1838]” in answer to mine of 10 inst. with on e of the letters then sent enclosed in an open note from

Maglauchlin Security required endorsed on said letter, these sent to my house by
Maglouchlin, spent [evening] at home

15~~2 clear~ Pleasant~ Mild. Did not Freeze last night~ [Court?] [Commenced?] today~
[Received] of [Mr.?] [McMahon?] \$4 [Arbitration] pay [paid] by me for him [Saturday]
last and also on [account] of Services & Fee \$1~ that is [Received] same [in?] a \$5 note.
Was engaged for [said] [McMahon] in [?] vs. McCabe for [?] & Bat. At instance of
McMahon also engaged for debt [Mr.] Powers [?] & Tried for Larceny. Wrote note to
[Thomas?] Hunt present & Kept Copy on Subject

January 15~ 1838 Monday

15~~2 [Continued...] of claim [received] from [J.?] G. Clarkson Esq. on [Saturday] last.
Was at Court & my office till 9 P.M.

16~~3 Clear~ Pleasant~ Mild~ was in Court principally all day~ Paid Black Harriet for
matches 10 [cents] ~ Alexander Provost of [Philadelphia] [County] at my House & office
this Evening. I took Glass of wine with him at [Nagles?] Hotel. Anti-Slavery
Convention [Commenced?] its first [?] Session in large room of [Altan's?] Hotel this
day~ I was in there a few minutes about 8 ½ P.M.

17~~4 Cloudy~ Some rain about breakfast time~ Clear, warm from 9 or 9 1/2 A.M. all
day~ Mild as Spring~ no Frost last night [Josiah?] B. [Alvaine?] Esq. of [Philadelphia]
[?] of [House] of [Representatives] died at [Mesons?] Hotel night before last.~ Paid for

Marketing \$1.40 ½ [?] 3 dead Fowls 37 ½ [cents] 1 lb. Butter 25 [cents] 1 [quart]
 Homony 7 [cents] apples 2 [cents] 1 [bushel] Cornmeal 75 [cents] Deposited in
 [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] \$115 of which \$115 [received] \$114.20 (\$4.20 in
Silver) of [Pennsylvania] BK office in this [plea?] on [Mole?] [Buchens?] Check of 13
 inst.~ [Received] letter from Sister Julia Ann Rawn [Philadelphia] [January] 14 [1838] by
 hand of Cornelius Collins Esq. M. of [Ressom?] [Lancaster] [County] was at my office~
 [Nagles] Reading Room and Abolition Convention after tea till 9 P.M.

18~5 Clear~ very mild~ no Frost last night Foggy till 10 A.M. ~ [Paid] [M.] McKinney
 [Guardian] for [Elizabeth] & Philip Frazer his wards share of 9 [months?] Rent due 1
 inst. for house I live in being 2/3 of the [?] rent or \$18.33 & at same time [received] of
 him on Suit by me before him against Philip Jones Fee \$5.12 for Services rendered by me
 on a [Habeas] [Corpus] on the 6th of [February] last & Gave [said] M.Mckinney a check
 on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] for the [difference] viz for \$13.21 [paid] [Thomas]
 Ellis husband of the late Mrs. Baldwin mother of said [Elizabeth] Philips \$9.17 her share
 of said [?] Rent Gave him [Check] on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] for said
\$9.17~ was at Abolition convention from 7 ¼ to 9 P.M. during which time Mr. Burley
 spoke.

19~6 Rain~ warm~ Heavy rain last night & this morning~ Frost nearly all out of
 Ground Wrote to Bartholomew Curry (Client) Jefferson Powhattan [County] [Virginia]
 on Subject of Suit against him in this Court (v. ante 8 inst.) [informed] him of
 [Deposition] to be taken in said Case 10th next [month] repeated Suggestion for \$20 fee

[days in office] [January] 19~ 1838 Friday

19~~6 [Continued...] ~ [Received] letter from [James] Findlay Esq. “[Pittsburg] [January] 16 [1838]” & [paid] [postage] 18 $\frac{3}{4}$ [cents] Also [received] letter from [Mr.] [Josiah?] Clendinin Esq. Little Rock [Arkansas] [December] 22 [1837] & [paid] [postage] 25 [cents] Wrote to James Findlay Esq. in answer to his [received] today & [paid] [postage] 18 $\frac{3}{4}$ [cents] was at my office till 9 P.M. Cold in [evening]

20~~7 Clear~ Moderately Cold~ Froze last night having cleared up cold about noon Yesterday Jury Discharged Yesterday Morning & [Set?] [agenda?] at 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ A.M. to This morning~ Paid for Marketing [?] [?] 88 $\frac{1}{2}$ [cents] To wit 1 lb. [butter] 25~ Turnips 20, Cabbage 6, a [mat?] 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ ~ [Paid] Dinah Walters Wages \$1.00 & Gave her a Check on the [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] for [said] \$1.00~ Attended to Suit for Mr. McMahan vs. [William?] Bostick before M. McKinney Esq. at 11 A.M.~ was at my office till 9 P.M.

21~~1 Clear~ Pleasant~ Cold~ Mother & self at our church morning & Evening. Rev. Mr. [McKirrs?] Young man of Carlisle preached in the morning~ I took walk about 4 miles circular between 4 & 5 P.M. [Received letter from [Mr.] “[Chambersburg?] [January] 19 [1838]”

22~~2 Clear~ Coldish~ Beautiful [?] of Com. [Pleasant] Jury Trials. Wrote on [Saturday] last to Michael Byrne, Frederick, [Maryland] Kept Copy Also Wrote to him

this day & Kept copy. Was in Court nearly all day. [Received] from [J. or is it T.?] Hunt for clients in [Philadelphia] J.A. [Molee] & Son, per direction from J.G. Clarkson Esq. 13 inst. \$50 in full claim sent for collections. Was at my office till 9 P.M.

23~~3 Clear~ Coldish~ Beautiful~ Wrote to [S.?] Chew Esq. [Philadelphia] about Byrne & [Provost?] Suits [?]. Also Wrote to Eli K. Price [advised?] [Tilghman?] about Suits against [George] Fisher Esq. Also Wrote to [J.] G. Clarkson Esq. [Philadelphia] in answer to his [received] 13 inst. & Enclosed him a draft by the M[indecipherable] [?] in the [Guard?] Banks in favor of [J.?] A. [Molee] & Son for \$45 of the [said] \$50 [received] of [S.?] hunt last evening for which draft I [paid] the [?] Bank out of [said] \$50.22 [cents] & [received] the other as a Fee \$4.78.~ was at court after tea till near 8 P.M. & then when [Court] [adjourned] to my office. Was at my office till 9 P.M. & Then went to Peacocks. Spent 15 or 20 minutes & Then home at 9 ¼ P.M.

[days in office] January 24~ 1838 Wednesday

24~~4 Clear~ Beautiful~ Mild~ [Paid] for Marketing 60 ½ [cents] To Wit 5 lbs. soap 35 ½ [cents] & 1 lb. Butter 25 [cents], [Received] in Hugh [Scott] vs. Jacob [Seiler] no [.] 48 [January] 7, 1834 in [Dauphin] [County] [?] of [Provost?] [Duck?] \$300 (v. 26 inst.) in part of the judgment [received] in [same] Suit which was this day [paid] off to [Professor?] in full but which was only part [paid] to me because he could not give me the rest of then except in Shin [Plasters?] which I never give nor take (Witness Bucher Ayres) was in Court all day and at a Gentlemens Party at Shunks after tea till 9 ¼ P.M. & then home.

25~5 Clear & Beautiful till about noon. Then Cloudy & Mist in Evenings. I deposited in the [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] the \$300 [received] Yesterday~ was Engaged from 10 ½ to 6 P.M., dinner [interrupted] trying case of Ricks [indecipherable] vs. McKinney & Wise 110, 109 [August] 7, 1836 [McClure?] my colleague Counsel, at my office till 8 ½ P.M. & Then home to Supper & remained home for [evening] [Received] [?] [Eli?] K. Prices letter dated [Philadelphia] [January] 24 [1838]" with will of [Honorable] [Chief?] [Justice?] [Tighman?] endorsed in answer to mine of 23 inst. & [paid] [postage] 50 [cents] Also [received] printed circular of [Kinderless?] & [Slotmyers?] [Philadelphia] [January] 18 [1838] ~ Importers of Books & [paid] [postage] 12 ½

26~6 Clear~ Moderate~ Beautiful, I was engaged in Court till 10 A.M. [?] Yesterday when the case & another was Settled amicably~ [Received] of [Provost?] [Duck?] (v. ante 24 inst.) in 48 [January] [7?] 1834 Scott vs. Seiler \$46.03 Balance in full of the Judgment being \$330.99 (that is to say debt \$306.03 & Costs \$24.91 the [said] debt & Costs being for an [escape?] suffered in Scott vs. M. cord 111 [August [7?] 1832 [Received] of [said] \$24.91 costs [Attorney] [?] Legal Fees \$4. And [?] Bill as Fee \$4.50 due in [said] Scott [&?] McCord Suit, the other \$16.91 of [said] costs being for disposal whenever the [judgment] 111 [August] [7] 1832 shall be fully satisfied~ \$15.04 of the Said \$346.03 [received] of [said] [payment] [as?] [aforementioned?] the 24th inst. today being [Superior] [Court] Costs in [said] 48 [January] 7, [1834] Suit,~ [Received] of [said] \$15.04 \$7.04 [paid] by me to P.C. Sedgwick [Clerk?] of [Superior] [Court], 26 May last

Also \$5 for so much [paid] [said] [Clerk?] for [?] of [?] & [74?] in [said] Case 21rst of [February] 1835~ & [Received] as my Just Fee \$3 in [said] [Superior] [Court] being the rest of [said] \$15.04. [Received] out of [said] \$306.08 \$7.25 costs [paid] by me to B. Parke [Clerk] of [Superior] [Court], Nov. 28 [1836] on Record May 7, 1832 [Dauphin] [County] [?] as [aforesaid] ~ [Deposited] in [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] \$46.03. Paid for [Sundries] 12 ½ [cents] Handed Wife for Family purposes \$1.00 was at court and my office till 9 ½ P.M.

[days in office] January 27 ~ 1838

27~7 Cloudy~ damp. Froze very little last night. Paid for Marketing 54 [cents] [?] 1 lb [butter?] 25 [cents] Beef Steak 21 [cents] apples 8 [cents] Paid at Wallace's Store ([Buchlen?] house) for [Slaw?] Cutter 50 [cents] [Received] letter of [J.] G. Clarkson Esq. (directed to me as [S.] Rawn) what a botch) [Philadelphia] [January] 25 [1838] Acknowledging the [Receipt] of mine of 23 inst. with [aforementioned?] these sent for \$45. and [paid] [postage] 12 ½ [cents] [Received] letter from M K. [Seilin?] Esq. "Chester [Dauphin?] [County] [January] 24 [1838]" & [paid] [Postage] 12 ½ [cents] informing me that [Samuel] Hardy had [paid] him 68.30 that is to say 69.37 principal & \$8.93 [Interest] on the balance due on a Mortgage I [?] against [said] Hardy and requesting me to draw vis him for that [amount] and to send him a Power of [Attorney] to enter Satisfaction on the Mortgage (v. ante July 14 [1835]) wrote to him in reply Kept Copy & Sent him Power of [Attorney] as requested & drew on him at [sight?] for 68.30 & handed [draft] to The [Harrisburg?] Bank for collection. [Received] of [Sheriff?] [Cochran?] in [Samuel?] [Lentz] vs. [George] Taylor [?] of Jacob Weidman [D____?] on

[Exchanged?] [?] no. 6 [January] 7, 1838 \$326.54, that is to say Debt [payment] \$319.29 [Attorney] & Legal Fees 46.75 and 50 [cents] [paid] by [?] on entering his original [Judgment] in [?] 7. 1822 no. 115 [Deposited] in The [said] Bank aforesaid \$326.54. [Received] letter from S. Graves Rochester [January] 19 [1838] & [paid] [Postage] 18 ¾ [cents] on Subject of this letter [received] 24 may last. Wrote to him in reply & Kept Copy Also Wrote to Elijah Heath Esq. Brookville [Jefferson] [County] [Pennsylvania] ~ on Subject of [said] Graves letter & on same Subject I wrote to him 13 July last & Kept Copy. Was at my office till 9 P.M.

28~~1 Clear~ Slushy~ Snowed & rained last [Evening] Snow 2 to 3 or 4 inches~ I was at our church morning 7 afternoon~ [Received] letter from [General?] [Robert] Patterson “[Philadelphia] [January] 26th 1838” & [paid] [postage] 12 ½ [cents] was at Shunks from 7 ½ to 8 ¾ P.M. & home.

29~~2 Clear~ Cold, windy [?] [Court?] Com. [?] [?] this week, Wrote to [General] R. Patterson [Philadelphia] in answer to his letter [received] Yesterday & Kept Copy. [Received] letter from Mrs. Lucy Dow. [Montville?] [County] [January] 24 [1838] (v. ante March 18th/ or other letter on her [business?]) was at Mr. Harris office on [Arbitration] for Mr. [Snevily?] in Suit by W. [?] [?] [Received] letter from [S.?] Chew Esq. “[Philadelphia] [January] 26 [1837]” in answer to mine of 3rd inst. & [paid] [postage] 12 ½ [cents]~ home at 9 P.M.

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[days in office] [January] 30 1838 Tuesday

30~~3 Clear~ Cold~ More Moderate than Yesterday Paid for Sundries 12 ½ [cents] Paid Black Fellow Mr. Williams Wheeling 3 Barrels Stone from my house to my office 12 ½ [cents] Took walk 3 or 4 miles about 4 ½ P.M.~ [Paid] for 1 [bucket] of Charcoal for my office 25 [cents] Was at the Episcopal Church this [Evening] where the Rev. Mr. Luddard of [Grace?] Church [Preached] in their [Rhode?] room. Walked nearly to her house with Mrs. Putman~ then to my office where I remained till near 9 P.M. & then home

31~~4 Clear~ Cold~ Paid for Marketing 48 [cents] viz 1lb. Butter 25 [cents] 1 [quart?] Homony 8 [cents] Beef Steak 15 [cents] [Paid] for Sundries 12 ½ [cents] ~ Took my Beef

& Hams [?] out of the brine it had been in just 6 weeks~ was at our usual weekly meeting after tea and afterwards at my office from 8 to 9 P.M.

February 1~~5 Clear~ Cold~ Hung my meat in our smoke House.~ [Received] of Francis Wyeth [addressed?] of [Samuel] Kling [December] 2 for my client Ulrich Schrader Dividend \$21.68 for a debt of \$56 our of said decedents estate. ~ Deposited in [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] \$21.68 Wrote to F. E. Brewster Esq. [Philadelphia] informing him of the [payment] of the money paid by [S.?] [Leiler?] the 26 last [month] in Hugh Scott vs. [Leiler?] 48 [January] [7?] 1834 & Kept Copy of letter, ~ [Received] of O. Barrett for my clients [S.?] Graves & [Company] Rochester N.Y. \$524.25 in full of their demand [Comprised?] 10 April last. & 11th same [month] (v. ante [February] 17 [1837] et Seg.) & [delivered] to Mr. B. the note given by himself O.F. Johnson & Bery [indecipherable] Parke Esq. on [said] compromises. 8 negroes men & women in my office at one time [?] tea to see about some of their own Colour in Jail for Larceny. [Received] letter from [General] R. Patterson “[Philadelphia] [January] 31 [1838] in answer to mine of 29 inst. & [paid] [postage] 12 ½ [cents] ~ Paid Mrs. Keefer for Cream in full to this day \$1.57 by [check] on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] by hands of Mother, was at my office till 9 ½ P.M.

2~~6 Snow, Clear & Snow. Deposited in The [Harrisburg] Bank \$5.25 [Received] letter from Adam Weidman Oakland Mills Juniatta [County], & [paid] [postage] 10 [cents] a few days since in letter [received] by Frances from his Sister Mary at Chambersburg.

Was in Court principally all day and at my office till 9 ½ P.M. [General] Eyster at my office about 7 ½ P.M. in [?] to claim of [General] Patterson on [?]

[days in office] February 3rd 1838 Saturday

3~~7 Clear~ Cloudy~ Cold~ Some Snow [?]. Paid for 1 lb. Butter 25 [cents]~ Paid for two strings of fish 25 [cents] & for Sundries 7 [cents] ~ [Received] of [Thomas] [Harper] for F.R. Shunk for the heirs of [James?] [Himble?] for rent on [account] for 1837- 8 \$10 & [paid] [said] \$10 to Shunk (v. [Receipt] Book) ~ [Received] letter from [Nathaniel] [Cooledge] "Boston [January] 31 [1838]" & [paid] [postage] 18 ¾ (v. ante [August] 8 & 18th) [Received] of [Daniel] [Williams] ([Colored] Man) Fee \$6 to bring his brother [Jonathan?] [Williams] ([charged] with Larceny & in Jail) before Judge Blythe on a [Habeas] Corpus which I done, & procured his absolute discharge- hearing at Jail in [Sheriff's] room G.W.[Harris] [Deputy?] G. Present [Received] of Mary Scott Clendenin \$20 for her use in my name in [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] (v. ante~ [September] 26 [1837]) for Deposits of \$126.87 & \$150 in some other money~ was at my office after tea till 9 P.M.

4~~1 Clear~ very cold~ River nearly [closed?], was at our church Morning & [Evening] first with Frances being 1st time Since her confinement & then with Mother & Peacocks girls with us

5~~2 Clear~ Cloudy~ Cold~ Paid Draft of [F.?] E. Brewster Esq \$2.00 in full of The money to be [paid] over out of the 330.99 [received] in Hugh Scott vs. [L.?] Seiler 26th

last month (v. ante 1rst copy of letter to [said] Brewster). & Drew [Check] on The [Harrisburg] Bank for [said] \$200 & handed to Jonas [Shartte?] runner for [said] Bank through which said draft came.~ Bought of [John] [Zearing] 1/3 cord Wood for Dinah Walters, [Colored] Woman v ante 21 [December] last at \$1.25~ Wrote to [Nathaniel?] Cooledge Boston in answer to his letter [received] 3rd inst. [paid] [postage] 18 ¾ & Kept Copy~ Paid E. [Zollinger] \$3 by [check] on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] for New Hat & Gave him 2 old hats in the bargain the one I had been wearing since May 1836 and a fur one still older Wrote to Adam Weidman “Oakland Mills Juniatta [County] in answer to his letter [received] 2 inst. at my office till 9 ¼ P.M.

6~~3 Clear~ not so cold. Paid Stone Bill with My wife [Plats?] [?] [J.?] Fox [?] \$3.92 & drew [check] on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] their [favors?] for that Sum. River closed for [first] time this winter. Frances & Self at the wedding of Miss Jane Nielson & Valentine Hummel Jr. at home

[days in office] [February] 6 1838 Tuesday

6~~3 [Continued...] of the Nielson next door [?] neighbors of ours & Father of jane went at 7 ½ P.M. & home 10 P.M. Rev. [William] DeWitt married them. Francis James & [?] 60 & his wife were there

7~~4 Clear~ more moderate but cold, I was at the Funeral of wife of [Jonathan?] Davies Esq. Wrote to Bartholomew Curry [Virginia] (ante 8th & 19th last [month]) on Subject of his Suit~ & informed him of [Arbitrators] to be Chosen the 13th of this [?] [month].

Wrote to [S.?] Graves [residing?] Rochester NY. Kept Copy on Subject~ of Money [received] of [Barret?] the [?] Drew [check] on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution]~ favor of [William] [Allers?] for \$3~ Charge. Called to See Hummel (Married last [Evening]) at 2 P.M. Took Glass or two of wine. Paid to my client Ulrich Schrader \$16.68 of the \$21.68 [received] from F. Wyeth [?] of S. Kling 1 inst. [Retained] as a Fee \$5 for my Services & Drew [check] on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] payable to his order for [said] \$16.68 Wrote to Mrs. Lucy Dow Montville [Connecticut?] in answer to hers [received] 29 last [month] referring her to my letters of 13th [January] & of 8 March last to herself & [Johann?] & informing her of interview this [Evening] in my office with [Hinibrenner?] on Subject of her letters 7 proposing compromise. Was at my office till 9 P.M.

8~~5 Clear~ Cloudy~ very Mild~ Rain last night & no frost. Wrote to Peter Rickabaugh 6 miles from Town to pay costs [?] in Suit No [.] 1 [August] [7?] 1837. Cause of [Thomas Elder Esq. vs. Galbraith heirs. Commenced on Monday Week last was finished about 4 P.M. today after about a 4 hours charge from the ridge. Paid for Sundries 6 ¼ [cents] was at my office till 9 ¼ P.M.

9~~6 Clear~ Cloudy~ cooler but Moderate was in Court all day till 7 P.M. & at a larger Party Ladies & [Gentlemen] at Shunks from 8 ¼ P.M. Ayres in Orphans [Court] vs. Exceptions to J.C. [Brenizer?] [?] [account] in the estate of Balsley this [Evening]

10~7 cloudy, Windy~ Cold, was not at Market this Morning & Got no [hitter?] was at Court all day & till about 7 P.M. Met [Arbitrators] in 78 Nov. 7, 1837 Johnson [?] vs. [Grossman?] at 7 ½ P.M. & [?] to 24 inst. [?] Boyd Mr. Shunk at my office in Evening from 7 to 9 P.M. & home.

[days in office] [February] 11 ~ 1838 Sunday

11~1 Clear~ Cloudy~ Windy~ very cold~ was at our Church Morning & [Evening] ~ In the [Evening] when Mr Dewitt had just entered on his sermon, the cry of “Fire” broke up the Church. It was a Chimney in Market square near Nagles Hotel which threw out sparks very formidably but which was put out without any further burning

12~2 cloudy~ cold~ [Received] letter from Elijah Heath Esq. “Brookville [Pennsylvania] [February] 5 [1838]” & [paid] [postage] 18 ¼ in answer to mine of 27 last [month] & Wrote on Subject of [said] letter to James Gallager Esq. Ridgeway [Pennsylvania] & [paid] [[postage] 18 ¾ & Kept Copy. Wrote to Eli K. Price Esq. [Philadelphia] [answered] in his [received] 25 last [month] Kept Copy. Was at my office after tea till 9 ¼ P.M.

13~3 Cloudy~ not so cold. Took walk 2 or 2 ½ miles from 9 ¼ to 10 A.M. [Received] of [Provost?] Duck in one e Mahon vs. McCabe 110 18 [January] 7, [1838], credited by him in my [account] for Writs of [Attorney] & [Wages?] Legal Fee \$4. Also [received] of Same in Same [?] [Arbitration] pay \$4 7 [?] shone of [?] Bill of costs 62 ½ [cents] & [Returned] the [said] Sums on [account] of Services in this & other cases as Fee \$4.62 ½

[cents] Wrote to Bartholomew Curry, [Virginia] (v. ante 7 inst. & 8th & 19th last [month]) informing him of my Said letters & that his Case is for Arbitration 1st March next was at my office after tea till 9 P.M. Snow 3 or 4 inches

14~4 Cloudy Tolerable Sleighing. [Paid] for marketing 79 [cents] vz. 1 lb. Butter 25, 2 ½ Beef 31, Apples [?] 23, [received] letters directed to McCormick & Self from Col. Jackson McFadden Client,~ (v. ante [January] 5) “Date [Lewisburg?] [February] 12 [1838]” Deposited in The [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] \$80 ~ [Paid] [William] McClure by [check] on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] Fee \$30 being all he would receive out of \$98.83 [returned] out of the Scott & Seiler Money [received] 26 last [month] (v. ante 26 last [month] & 1st & 5th this [month]) as a present Compensation for our professional Services, therefore Kept the other part or remainder of [said] \$98.83 as my part of [said] being Fee 68.83, the [Balance] of the original [Judgment] & Subsequent reversals to be [?] to me according to my letter to Brewster of 1 inst. as full Compensation in Said Case for my extra Services of which McClure is informed~ [Thomas] G. McCulluh Esq. & M.[S.?] Clendenin took tea with us, I was at Buehlers Reading Room after tea, Hughs Shop & my office till 9 P.M., [received] of [Mr.] Maglauchlin in [account] of [?] any claim in suit 63 [August] 7, 1838 ~ ante [January] 10th last

[February] 15~ 1838 Thursday 15~5 Snowing~ Sleighing good, I was at the capital from 10 ½ A.M. to 1 P.M.~ part of time in State Library & part of time in [House] [of] [Representatives] Wrote to Col. [Jackson] McFadden Lewisburg [Pennsylvania] in answer to his letter [received] Yesterday read my letter to McCormick before Sending.

Paid William Hazelton Jr. \$1 in full for Mending my coarse boots & Drew [check] on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] in his [favor] for [said] \$1 Paid Fisk for Segars 12 ½ [cents] was at my office till 9 ¼ P.M.

16~6 cloudy~ good Sleighing~ Moderate~ Some[Fure?] Sleet or Rain~ Drew [check] on [Harrisburg] [Savings] [Institution] in favor of Solomon [indecipherable]ich for change \$3.00~ Snow & Sleet heavily all day [Mr.?] K. Findlay Esq. & Mrs. Shunk in my office at 4 P.M. I spent Evening at home.

17~7 Clear~ very Cold~ First Rate Sleighing paid for 1 lb. Butter 25 [cents] & for Beef Steak 25 [cents] [Received] letter from [Edward] A. Lynch for Michael Byrne [Frederick] City [Maryland] [February] 15 [1838] in answer to mine of 20 & 22 last [month] re-enclosing [?] [?] then Sent Enclosing me a Fee \$20 on [account] in Suits 212 [August] 7, 1830 & 337 April 7. 1832. Wrote to [Mr.] [McGinley?] “Rheboth near Somerset Perry [County] Ohio” on Subject of [said] letter & also to [Edward] A. Lynch, [?] for M.B. informing of my letter to [McGinley] as aforesaid Took ride in Tandem Sleigh of Mr. Snevily with Snevily, G W Harris & F. Wyeth & afterwards in same Sleigh with my wife & Daughter ½ hour Snevilys black fellow Aaron along with us last time, was at my office after Supper & Nagles Hotel till 9 P.M. nearly.

18~1 Clear~ Cold~ First Rate Sleighing. Mother & Self at Episcopal church in morning & in afternoon our Minister absent. Rev. Mr. Sprecher preacher in our church in Evening. Mother, Self Mr. [L.?] C. who took tea with us went to our Church in [Evening]

19~2 clear~ Cold. Thawing some, Sleighing first rate & being plentifully used~ Paid [Provost?] Duck the Costs in Price [?] [of?] [Tilghman] vs. Fisher No. 93 [January] 7, 1838 ([charged] to my [account]) \$6.48 (v. [receipt]) Mary Peacock took tea with us. Wrote to the Editors of the [Saturday?] Courier (& sent by [William] [Grimshaw] [messenger]) to [dent?] their paper from 1 last [January] to [Thomas] W. [Lytth?], of this place, Also that I have \$18 or \$20 of [Subscription] money in hand, was at Peacocks at 8 ½ P.M. [?] called for my wife~ [Collected?] McClure & Mrs. A.B. Roberts there, Took my [Said] letter to [Grimshaws?] & spent ½ an hour, Frances & Self home from Peacocks at 9 P.M. [William] Boyd of F.R. Shunk at my office from 7 ¼ to 8 P.M.

Names Mentioned

Aaron - Jonathan Snevily's "black fellow," possibly a servant or hired man

William [Allers?]

Allison, William - corner of Front & Chestnut Streets

Herman [Alricks] - see thesis production, Margo C. Groff/Dec. 1996

[Josiah?] B. [Alvaine] Esq. - Philadelphia; House of Representatives

Atlee, William A. - Dauphin Co.

Ayers, William - Town Council, on Market St., between Locust & Pine

Baab, Jacob - possibly the part owner of Baab & Hummel, printing office at 13 S. Front;

Associate Judge?

Bale, William

Ball, William

Balsley, Jacob

Beatty, George - wife's nurse, Eliza Russell, left Rawn to work for him, Beatty on Town

Council?

Berryhill, Mr. - attorney, office 3 doors to the right of Court House

Biddle, Nicholas - ran the 2nd U.S. Bank, the national credit system, & chief foe of Pres.

Andrew Jackson

Biles, [Josiah?]

“Black Harriet” - black woman who sold matches

Blythe, Judge

Boas, F. K. - attorney who had office near the Court House, lived at the Princes Hotel

Bostick, William - collector of water rents

Boyd, William

Brenizer, Mr. C. - carpenter?

Brewster, F. E.

Briggs, M., Esq. - lawyer

Buchanan, Dr. George Anderson - Wheeling, Virginia

Buche, Mr. C.

Buffington, A. - Alexander Buffington, Clerk, at northwest corner, Back and Strawberry

alleys

Butler, Mrs. Fanny

Byrne, Michael - Frederick City, Maryland

Cameron, Eliza - daughter of Simon Cameron, later Senator of Pennsylvania

Carter, Durden B. - Philadelphia

Cattrell, William - Rawn bought flour from him, is listed in 1843 Directory of Harrisburg

as “gentleman”

Chambers, George, Esq.

Chambers, Thomas Esq. - Chambersburg

Chew - Philadelphia

Church, William

Clarkson, J.G. - Philadelphia

Clendenin, Mary Scott - likely relative of Rawn's wife

Clendenin, N.S. - relative to Rawn's wife

Cline, Philip - borough officer, Clerk of the Market

Cline, Mr. W. - lawyer?

Cochran, Thomas - sheriff

Con, Isaac M.

Cooledge, Nathaniel

Collins, Cornelius, Esq.

Cowden, James - messenger

[Culloh's?], F.G.W.

Cumberland Valley Rail Road - Rawn was present at opening & attended reception
celebrating same

Crozier, John - Merchant

Curry, Bartholmew - Jefferson, Powhattan Co., Va.

Davies, Jonathan, Esq. - deceased, February 7, 1838

Davis, Mr.

DeWitt, Rev. William - Presbyterian clergyman, 54 S. Second St.

Dillingham, William H. - House of Representatives, Chester Co.

Dow, Mrs. Lucy - Montville, Connecticut

Dotts, Philip - Philadelphia

Duck [Provost?] - possibly either Philip or William Duck

Eberman, Mr. M.

Elder, Thomas, Esq.

Findlay, James Esq. - Pittsburg

Findlay, Mr. K. – Lancaster; see thesis, Margo Groff, Dec. 1996

Fisher, George, Esq.

Fisk - Charles E. Fisk, proprietor of grocery and tea store, 40 Walnut St.

Fox, Jacob

Franklin, Rev. Mr. - Episcopal

Franklin, Thomas - client; charge of Burglary and Larceny- worked off fee by splitting
wood

Frazer, Elizabeth & Philip - wards of the court

James Gallagher Esq., Ridgeway, Pennsylvania

George [Fluk?]

Henry [Fyatts?]

Getz, Henry [Fyatts?] - proprietor of a boarding house

Gilchrist

Gowman, Dr. - Halifax

Gray [Josiah?]

Graydon [William] - county officer, Treasurer

Graves, S. - Rochester

[Greers?] Judge

Griffith - possibly William Griffith, Front St.

[Grossman?] Ezra

[Grimshaw] William - attorney, office near Court House

Hardy

Hagan, Terrance (a.k.a. Terry) - stonecutter, 16 Paxton St., Client of Rawn's charged
with conspiracy

Hale, Benezzer - lawyer, and member of Town Council, listed in *1839 Stranger's Guid*
as owner of the Franklin Inn on Walnut Street between 2nd & 3rd

Harper, Thomas

[Harris], G.W. Esq. - Deputy Sheriff, Dauphin County, at Market Square, next to
Harrisburg Bank

Harris, Robert

Harrisburg Savings Institution - Rawn owns stock in, and has his principal accounts in

Hazelton, William, Jr.

Heath, Elijah, Esq. - Brookville, Jefferson Co., Pa.

Henrie, Nathaniel - stables

[Henrie?] Nathan G. - Schullkill County

Henry [Fyatts?]

[Hess?], Mr. [Agg?]

[Heunes?], A.

Huling

Hummel, Valentine, Jr.

[Hunn?], Stokes

Hunt, Thomas - 2nd St. below Mulberry

James, Francis, Esq. - state senator, borrowed book

James, Mrs. Frances

[Jauss], [J.] C. - tin & sheet iron manufacturer, on Chestnut between 2nd & 3rd

Johnson, Mrs. George W.

Johnson, O.F. - Ovid F. Johnson, at Market St., between 3rd & 4th

Joseph, Mr. - Rawn's Brother-in-Law in Little Rock, Arkansas

Kauffman, Isaac C.

Keefer, Mrs.

Kelker, Mr. - Democratic party functionary & proprietor of the "Pennsylvania Inn"

Keller, [Mr.?] P.

Keller, William - merchant; Grocer

Kelly, George - saddler, 7 Locust St.

Kelly, Jerry - "colored" man who worked as carpenter

[Kester?], Peter

Laville, Robert

[Leiler?], Thomas

[Lesher?], Dr.

Lesley, J. - James Lesley, Cashier, Banking House, Pennsylvania 185 2nd St.

Longecker, Samuel

Luddard, Rev. Mr. - Grace Church

Lynch, [Edward] A.

[Lyth?], W.

Maglauchlin

[Matters?], Henry - chairman of a bank

[Maller?], Abraham B. - from Washington D.C., sent to Harrisburg to collect on debts
from client

Mr. [Merrly?]

McCabe - possibly Henry McCabe, painter

McClure - lawyer, possibly Charles McClure, Secretary of the Commonwealth, at
Wilson's Hotel

McCormick - James W. McCormick, lawyer with office at 49 Market St.

McCormick, Mr.

McFadden, Col. Jackson

[McGinley?], [Mr.?] - Rheboth, near Somerset, Perry County, Ohio

McKinney, [Mordecai] - attorney, office 12 Locust St.

McKinney, H. [Nattey?]

[McMahon?], Mr.

Miller, Henry - bought pig from

Molee, J.A.

More, Rev. Mr./Capt. More - Philadelphia Bible Society

Musgraves, Mrs.

Newbecker, George

Newman, M. - Michael Newman, "Victualler" [grocer], at 92 Walnut St.

Nielson, Miss Jane - Maiden name, married Valentine Hummel Jr., February 6, 1838

Ott, Mr.

Parke, B., Esq. - possibly Benjamin Parke, Attorney, at 68 Market St.

Peacock, Fanny

Peacock, James, Esq. - relative

Pool, David, Esq. - Attorney & Second Lieutenant of the “Dauphin Guards” [local militia], married Sarah McCord

Pratt, Mr.

Price, Eli K. - Philadelphia

Provost, Alexander - Germantown, Philadelphia

Putnam, Mrs. - neighbor? and possibly the wife of William Putnam, a bricklayer

Rawn, C.C. – poss. name for son

Rawn, D. W. - Philadelphia; Rawn’s brother)

[Rawn], Frances - Rawn’s wife

Rawn, Julia Ann - Rawn’s sister to whom he corresponds with regularly- see Groff/96

Rawn, Elizabeth - Rawn’s daughter

Ramsey, William, Esq. - Carlisle, Pennsylvania

Remberger, Mr. A. - enlisted man he helped get a discharge for

Ressinger, Samuel

Rhoads - John Rhoads, Merchant, at Northwest corner, 2nd & Market Streets

Rickabaugh, Peter

Roberts, Mrs. A.B.

Roberts, W. Milner

Rogers, H.G. Esq. - Pittsburgh

Runyon, Major Henry - client; Millersburg, Dauphin Co.

Russell, Eliza - nurse for wife in childbirth

Rutherford, Dr. William W.

“Shin Plasters” - reference to state bank currency, “useless as shin plaster”

Schrader, Ulrich

Scott, Hugh

Sedgwick, P.C. - Clerk of Superior Court, & attorney with office at 13 ½ N. 3rd St.

[Seilin?], M K - Chester, Dauphin Co.

Shartte, Jonas - “runner” for a local bank; likely Harrisburg Bank

[Shafford?], A. - Constable?

Shitz, Mr.

Shunk, F. R. - Francis R. Shunk, to whom he made payments- see Groff/Dec. '96

Smith, P. Frazer - Westchester, Chester Co. Pa.

Snevily, Jonathan - lawyer and broker, 2 ½ S. Front St.

Snyder, C.A. - Charles A. Snyder, Justice of the Peace, 612 N. 3rd St.

Sprecher, Rev. Mr.

[Storyhten?], A. Jane

Strong, William - Reading, Pennsylvania

Sturgeon, Dr.

Swartz, [Jonas?] – Rawn bought pig from

[Tesm?], Mr.

[Tighman?], Chief Justice

Tyler, Mr. & Mrs. - Mrs. Tyler former Mrs. Wharton

[Walters?], Dinah

Webb, Mr. F. - Francis Webb, of Crawford County

Weidman, Adam - Perry Co., Pa.

Weidman, [Mr.?] - Weidman Sr., father of Adam Weidman

Wentz, Soloman

[Egbert?], William - “colored” man, assisted Rawn in cutting up meat

Williams, Daniel - “colored” man, and client so specified

Williams, [Jonathan?] - incarcerated brother of Daniel Williams; Rawn obtained a
Habeas Corpus Writ & release for him

Williams, Mr. - Black man, so specified; wheeled stone for Rawn

[Wolf], Rev. Mr. - Jew converted to Christianity; Episcopal priest

Wolfersburger, George - dry goods merchant on 3rd & Market St.

Wyeth, Francis - book office, on Market St. between 2nd & 3rd

Zearing, John - owner of woodyard; also listed in *1839 Harrisburg Directory &
Strangers Guide* as a shoe Maker

Zollinger, E. - Elias Zollinger, Haberdasher on Market St. between 5th & Meadow Lane

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