

- 9 Aug Sarah Ann Welles was taken to Troy and put on cars for Bennington to go to her father. "She does not want to be a Shaker."
- 16 Aug "C. Miller went to West Troy to see the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. The authorities have decided not to exempt by \$1000 for each family or society at the most. We must pay 5¢ on every \$ we receive to the government one side of the town and county tax. Sisters not excepted after deducting what we pay out to get the supplies to carry on such work."
- 23 Aug C.M. goes to Mt. Lebanon to see the Ministry and "what is concluded about the revenue tax." Get ready for painting at the Office, put up scaffolding.
- 25 Aug Painting begins - Philip Wiseman and John Burk are first and highest. DABuckingham, STAUNTON Buckingham and 3-4 of boys also work on painting. Sarah Ann Male comes to help since all the blinds have to be washed and oiled.
- 28 Aug Sat. Outside has been painted over 3 times so scaffolding taken down on north side and put on south end.
- 29 Aug Sun. "Tremendous rush of outsiders to see a little handful of Shakers."
- 31 Aug Lydia and Ruth are washing & oiling window sash on outside. "Office is in quite a broken state, not a window in it."
- 1 Sept Benjamin Chick came and canning commenced. "Philip Wiseman is the engineer, Hubert Gilroy and James Tribble help solder, and Staunton is the chief cook."
- 4 Sept Windows are back in and "office begins to look like a house to live in again."
- 16 Sept Quite a large company from Greenbush came and had dinner. They are the ones that tan our leather.
- 17 Sept Geo. Price went to Albany to get some of brethren and sisters from Ohio but home about 8 pm and had heard nothing from them. "The Office was all lighted up, supper cooked and partly on the table, all the ministry and elders and the Office sisters were in the Office and on the steps watching for them."
- 18 Sept Geo. went into Albany in morning to get Ohio friends but no one came and he came home about 10 a.m. Geo. went again in afternoon but was a little too late. Bro. Benjamin Gates happened to be there by the boat when they landed so he hired a carriage. Geo. brought their trunks. Nearly retiring time when they arrived."
- 20 Sept Mon. Wash, iron, can tomatoes and "do up the visitors' clothes." CC & CM go to their woods in Saratoga County. Home on 21st.
- 24 Sept Visitors to get an early start so Office sisters are up about 3 a.m., sat down to breakfast a little after 4, visitors left at 5. "Matilda came and helped Lydia clean up the visitor apartments which was a free will offering and thankfully received." (Lydia is author of journal now.)
- 25 Sept Chas. Brackett, Catherine V. & Matilda went to Niskayuna after milk weed or silk grass. They have canned every day except Sunday for the past two weeks.
- 28 Sept Canned 210 doz. tomatoes today - the most ever done in a day.