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Wednesday 5th blowing over east wind. P. Glassy cutting opposite
Auster. J. cutting wheat next stackhouses very light

Thursday 6th & Holiday. 9 o'clock mass at Leeston. got steel plates from
J. Dent & got them riveted at J. Yates

Friday 7th Started cutting wheat back of garden. got
new disc for the knocker. got it fixed at Plyths

Saturday 8th cutting below middle fence next Hunters

Sunday 9th 9 o'clock Mass at Leeston. future b. N. L. H.
here today blowing a howling Nor wester to day
Vespers to night

Monday 10th blowing sou west dull looking finished cutting
next Hunters & also oats in gravel pit, got flour from

Tuesday 11th Started stacking oats next spencers (Mills)

Wednesday 12th Stacking today. Blowing Nor wester

Thursday 13th Blowing a howling Nor wester
cutting wheat next Kilons. Dan stripping grass seed
near top road got cheque from creamery

Friday 14th Leeston Sale today. Blowing a hurricane
North wester, reaping wheat back of garden finished
the paddock. D. Butler of Shands Truck. W. Jethons Uncle died
to day funeral on Sunday

Saturday 15th Started reaping barley in gravel pit paddock
Grand cheque for my insurance. Mrs Mary Kelly here to day

Sunday 16th 11 o'clock mass at Leeston. gave Father Jay a
presentation of a bhalice. J. Kelly read the address. the South
people gave him a set of bracts. Vespers to night. Father
Mahony gave a sermon. Several people cutting wheat to day

Monday 17th cutting wheat opposite house. D. reaping grass
raining heavy this evening

Tuesday 18th finished cutting wheat above house & next stackhouses

Wednesday 19th cutting barley in gravel pit. Father Kelly & Miss Ellen
here to day

Thursday 20th finished cutting to day

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Friday 21st Finished stacking oats next Hunters very fair

Saturday 22nd Stacking wheat from rush paddock &
near stackhouses

Sunday 23rd very dull looking 9 o'clock mass at Leeston
Father Jay celebrant Vespers to night

Monday 24th Finished stacking wheat

Tuesday 25th Stacking first piece of barley out of gravel pit

Wednesday 26th finished stacking to day

Thursday 27th Stacking at W. Smyths. Mart & J. two days

Friday 28th Stacking at Smyths. Leeston Sale
sold 1 parter. 3/6. bought 17 baconers & 17 ewes

Saturday 29th Stacking at Smyths 3 of an splendid crops

Sunday 30th 11 o'clock Mass at Leeston. Vespers at South
Father Jay gave sermon at both places, Mrs O'Rourke & J. here

Monday 31st Started picked up loose oats in Plains
Mrs McCabe here to day (February)

Tuesday 1st February. blowing cold sou wester
started shimming in paddock above house.
raining heavy to night, stop threshing for a day or so

Wednesday 2nd Ploughing to day. W. Dixon here about drip

Thursday 3rd J. ploughing. Dull looking this afternoon

Friday 4th ploughing to day. got red shed at Donald's

Saturday 5th a fine day. got 5 bags of coal from Githen

Sunday 6th 9 o'clock Mass at Leeston. Vespers to night.
W. Smyth here about stacking

Monday 7th D. & J. Stacking at Smyths to day. cutting beans

Tuesday 8th Threshing to day. wheat turned out very poor
oats & barley middling. Mrs Kelly died suddenly at
Cheviot heart disease

Wednesday 9th finished threshing this morning. Stacking
at Sandersons to day from 10 o'clock. Blowing a

Thursday 10th howling Nor wester to night

Friday 11th At Sandersons. started about 11 o'clock. Mrs Kelly buried
to day