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EXTRACTS FROM THE MISCELLANY AND FARM ACCOUNTS OF FRANCIS ANDRUS OF SCADBURY IN THE PARISH OF SOUTHFLEET

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Francis Andrus was baptised on 2nd September, 1798, at the Parish Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Longfield, Kent, the third child of Mordecai Andrus and Elizabeth, née Allen, his wife. There were five other children, Mary, the wife of William Bensted, baptised 10 May, 1795; Anne, the wife of Thomas Muggeridge, baptised 17 November 1796; Camilla, the wife of Charles Gustavus Whitaker, baptised 27 May 1800; William, born 7 April and baptised 30 April, 1802; and Maria, baptised 12 January 1808. All the baptisms took place at Longfield.

Mordecai Andrus, a native of Offham, was farming at Longfield Hill at least by 1811, as evidenced by an estate map of that year in my possession. As will be seen from the extracts from the Miscellany, Mordecai and Elizabeth moved in 1831 to the Clock House, Green Street Green, a fine old house on the main road from Longfield to Dartford. They both died in 1838, and are buried in Longfield churchyard, on the south side of the church, beneath a massive tombstone of polished granite.

The Allen family, of which Elizabeth Andrus was a member, had been tenants of Scadbury or Scotbury in Southfleet for most if not all of the eighteenth century. For generations Scadbury had been one of the homes of the family of Sidley or Sedley and the house is described in Thomas Philipot's *Villare Cantianum or Kent Surveyed and Illustrated*, published in 1659. The Sedley family came into prominence in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. The order of baronets was instituted by James I in 1611 and in that year William Sedley of The Friars at Aylesford was created a baronet. The same honour was conferred on his first cousin Isaac Sidley of Great Chart in 1621. Perhaps the best known member of the family was Sir Charles

Sedley, the poet and dramatist, who died in 1701. His play 'Bellamira' was shown on television a few years ago.

The old mansion house of Scadbury was pulled down, all but some kitchen premises, in the eighteenth century and a modest-sized farmhouse was built on the site. The date 1787 is carved on a brick on the south side of the house. In 1912, my grandfather Captain Thomas Alchin Andrus (1832-1919) added a billiard room with two bedrooms above.

The old garden walls remain and they are remarkable for a series of bee-boles which are described and illustrated in *Arch. Cant.*, lix (1955), 92-3.

Edward Hasted stated in the first volume of his *History of Kent*, published in 1778, that 'within these few years' Sir Charles Sedley of Nuthall, Baronet, had exchanged the manor of Southfleet, Scadbury, and the estates belonging to them, for other lands, with the Rev. William Sanderson of Haslemere, Surrey, who was still their owner.

Thereafter, the Allen family became the tenants of later owners of the Scadbury estate, until the last male member of the family to live at Scadbury, Robert Allen, the brother of Elizabeth Andrus, died in 1822. The tenancy was then taken over by the Andrus family, and it appears that in the early years Francis, William (my great-grandfather) and Maria were living at Scadbury. Then, on his 25th birthday, 7th April, 1827, William left to live at Ash.

Francis and Maria, neither of whom married, continued to live at Scadbury until their deaths on 12 December, 1862, and 23 November, 1867, respectively. They are buried with their parents in Longfield churchyard and there is a stained glass window to the memory of Francis in the old Trinity Chapel of St. Nicholas Church, Southfleet. The window was erected by Maria and depicts the Raising of Lazarus.

The miscellany and farm accounts of Francis Andrus are contained in an account book 16 in. in height, 6½ in. in width and 1 in. thick. The leaves, of which 180 remain (some have been torn out) are water-marked 1822. By far the greater part of the book is taken up with the farm accounts which run from 1822 till 1837. Some notes on the accounts and some verbatim extracts will be found in the latter part of this article.

The miscellany starts in 1826 and continues until 1836. Accounts and miscellany are all mixed up together. There are a few pages of miscellany, then some pages of accounts and then 'Miscellany brought forward'. This pattern is constantly repeated, occupying 41 leaves of the book. Then, it is necessary to turn the book upside down and start reading at the other end. This section forms the bulk of the book, occupying 139 leaves and it consists entirely of accounts.

The miscellany consists in large part of notes on the weather and comments on farming activities and these are interspersed with pieces of family news and accounts of events in the county.

It will be noted that in 1831 William Bensted and his wife Mary (Andrus), left Longfield Court (now demolished) for Hartley Court. This house stands close to the parish church of All Saints, Hartley, and in 1792 it came into the possession of William Bensted, father of William Bensted who married Mary Andrus. The elder William died in 1836 and his son and daughter-in-law continued to live in the house until they moved to Hartley Wood Farm, later known as Hartley Manor.

The younger William died in 1867 and his wife in 1870, and they are buried with William's parents in a grave surrounded by iron railings in All Saints' churchyard, close to the hedge dividing the churchyard from the garden of the Court.

The house was to come back to my family in the next century, for in 1926 my father Brigadier-General Thomas Alchin Andrus (1872–1959) bought it from the Small Owners Ltd. and it remained our home until 1952. In that year my father's eldest brother Captain Francis Bain Andrus (1869–1952) died unmarried and I inherited the Scadbury estate from him. My father sold Hartley Court and we took up residence at Scadbury in August 1952.

The estate, which had been rented for so many years became the property of my family in 1890 when it was bought by my uncle Francis Bain Andrus from the trustees of Lady (Margaret Anne Elizabeth) Price, widow of Sir Robert Price, Baronet. The price paid for Scadbury, two cottages and 212 acres, 34 poles of land in Southfleet and four cottages, 6 acres, 1 rood and 35 poles of land in Northfleet was £6,500.

I sold the house in 1969, but retained the farm which has been leased since at least 1903, first to the Woodward family and afterwards to Stanhill Farms Ltd. who are the present tenants. Two of the cottages at Northfleet Green were pulled down many years ago, and I have sold the four other cottages on the estate.

EXTRACTS FROM THE MISCELLANY
[The original spelling has been retained]

1826

Cold dry May. June July very dry rather warmer, begun reap in the 25th of July, carried the 2nd of Aug^t . . . mow'd Barley the 31st of July, had a good harvest all out of the way about 15th nothing to do off to France got back the 27th of Aug^t call'd at Leeds on my way home stay'd one night – from there to Barming stay'd there one night – had

one Day to spare before partridge shooting got my shooting tackle in order – a fine shower about 4 O Clock on the first day – shot at Longfield tolerable good sport baged 10 brace shot very fare for me as a bunglar-. . . .

. . . never was known so many Landrails as this season shot 4 1/2 Brace – Will shot 7 Brace – good sprinkling of Partridges, shot a great many, not many pheasants, but got my share – a tolerable lot of hares in the begining of this season, very short November till Jan^y more in the latter part of the season-. . . .

. . . We met at Longfield Hill on the 15th of March [1827], My Father, Mother, Will^m and I, when it was agreed that Father should give Will^m his half of Idley business, and make his part of the Estate over to the aforesaid Will^m Also Fathers Will was agreed to be altered – Also Will^m and I agreed to dissolve partnership – Will^m Left Scotbury his birth day for to live at Ash the 7th of April 1827 – he arrived on that day at his 25 year-. . . .

. . . heard the nightingale for the first time this year the 13th [April] – the Cuckow made her first appearance on the 11th. . . .

. . . very hot weather in the morning of the 1st of May, a violent tempest in the afternoon at many places did a considerable deal of mischief, nearly washed all the goosberry and current trees out of the gardens at Park Field Bottom, rained most violently here at this house, not a drop so low as Soul Field, Mrs Whittaker was taken most desperate ill with a fever and pain in the stomach about the begining of May, her life was in the utmost danger on Friday night the 18th of May, after that began to mend but very slowly. . . .

. . . Mrs Whittaker was pronounced out of danger the 26th of May – about the begining of June I had the Rhumatic gout for 3 weeks, not very bad at first after that was confined to my bed for a fortnight, could not turn in my bed, begain 1st July to mend but very slowly. . . .

. . . Will^m was married at Kensington on thursday 13th of Sep^t 1827 to Miss Best a runaway match.

. . . Nov^r 20th whent out with the fox hounds found in Elbers Wood had a tolerable good hunt, killd at Brimstone Bottom . . . Mr and Mrs Muggeridge dined here on Sunday last. The Weather, 1828, has been remarkably mild this year. . . . I have had very good runs with the harriers lately and kill'd a good parcle of hares . . . went out with the Fox hound 8th of Feb. met at Horton Wood found in Brans Hatch Woods had a most tremendus fast run scent breast high kill'd him in 40 minutes. Found a hare opposite Mr French's at the Downs on saturday 9th of Feb^y drove her direct into Cobham Park from there past Mr Noake's at Shorne into the Turnpike Road, call'd off as we had changed hares mostly likely in the Park – Dined at Ash on Wednesday 20th of Feb^y when out for a hunt, did not kill the sent was bad. . . .

. . . Finished hare hunting on monday the 10th of March and kill'd in Pool Wood – this has been a very fair hunting season I have kill'd more hares than I ever did before. . . .

March 17th Miss Harman was married to Mr Jones a Welch gentleman. . . . Mother had a dreadfull fit of appoplexy on tuesday the 25th of March which we thought would have ended her days – Mrs Muggeridge was delivered of a still born child on Friday March 28th had a most dreafull time this makes her ninth, bit's, whole's and halfs – only two living out of the lot. . . .

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. . . went to Shorne on Sunday April 27th to invite the Miss Noakes here to dine on the first of May. . . .

. . . Mr Tho^s Mugeridge was taken dangerously ill the 2nd week in June began to revive the 22nd of June – Play'd a game of crickets at Rainham for Rainham Club on Wednesday the 3rd of July should have beat had the game been played out.

. . . got all the Fodder out of the way this Year about a week before Meopham fair. . . .

. . . On Thursday the 7th of July 1828 the day before Meopham fair there was a continual rumbling of Thunder which began about 7 0 Clock in the morning and continued until 4 0 Clock in the afternoon then it settled into a complete rain and continued till 1 0 Clock the next day – Which completely spoiled the fair – it was the opinion of most of the old men, there had not been a worse fair for 24 years when there was a day something similar to this, or of any thing worse.

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dreadfully, the damage is [re]puted to be £500 for that place alone, there was not scarcely a pane of glass left whole in the house, hot houses and etc. Shorne was the last place that felt its effects, the damage was very great but not so bad as at Cobham. The Country around suffered more or less but not of any consequence, thank God, we got of well.

. . . Dec^r 1 the weather continues very mild and open for the time of Year, there are a great quantity of wood pigeons about Will^m shoot 13 at one shoot. . . .

. . . On saturday 27th of Dec^r as I was going to Dartford markett I saw a great many boys playing at crickets on Dartford Brent, which is not very common at that time of Year. 1829 their was frost enough to freeze the Plough out the 15th of Jan^y. Began plough again on wednesday the 29th. Went to London on Wednesday the 10th of Feb^y with Maria for her to Receive her legacy, went to Drury Lane Theatre saw the seige of Belgrave, the weather is wet which prevents puting in Beans and peas. . . .

. . . M^{rs} Capⁿ Edmeads a very severe attack of Paralytic on the 25 of Feb^y Finished hare hunting on saturday the 8th of March killed 34 1/2 brace. . . .

. . . Mr^r Russell, M^r Bensted, M^r Mugeridge, Will^m and I shot pigeons against three M^r Selby's and two M^r Norton's on friday the 3rd of April and beat them, the weather is exceedingly cold and every prospect of a very backward spring. . . .

. . . Mr^r Wade of Ash died on Saturday the 18th of April 1829 – the 1st of May had a dinner party – this is as backward a spring as has been for 40 Years, so say the old men – there is no bloom, and the hedges and woods are as bare as November. May 9th the Weather is very fine and warm the bloom has come very fast the last day or two. . . .

. . . Mother and Aunt dined here on thursday the 8th of July . . . M^{rs} Swaisland died on the 22nd of July – she died about 3 weeks after Miss Allen. . . .

There has been more rain this year then there has been since the year 1816 – when it was much worse than this for in that year it began much sooner in the spring. . . .

My Aunt was married to M^r Swaisland at Ash, she was 60 Years old on saturday the 5th of Dec^r. . . .

1830 . . . we have been rather merry this Cristmas [1829] dined at Longfield Court on new years day at Hartley Court on the following thursday and at M^r Parson's at Hartley on Monday the 11th of Jan^y . . . the corn marketts are as bad as can be the average prices of corn are as follows, Wheat 56^s per Q^r, - Barley 29^s - Beans 26^s Oats 21^s If this is not enough to brake farmers I do not know what is, according to the present rents, taxes and poor rates - it is imposible it can last for ever, the evil day must come and will not be long first, God knows what the consequence will be, I fear it will be dreadful. . . .

. . . The last day of March was rather foggy with the wind in the East and rather cold, I was comepletely made an April fool the next morning when I found the ground covered with snow, it snowed almost all day, this has been a precious year for snow. . . .

M^{rs} Muggeridge has another miscarriage this makes 12 times she has been in the family way, has only 2 living, she had 7 in four years, *if that is not beeding like a good'en I do not know what is* . . . Miss Julia Rayshleigh was married to her first cousin M^r G. Cummin Rayshleigh on the 4th of May 1830 at Southfleet church rather a mean set out for people of their property, they set of for London and come back again to Southfleet on the Friday to breakfast, started again I understand to go to France and Italy, and most likely to travel over most part of the continent. . . .

. . . Maria got some strawberries half ripe in New barn road 27th of May - green peas are hawked about the streets in London at 2^d per pittle, a thing the papers say they never knew before this time of the year the 25th of May. . . .

. . . July 11th Meopham fair was a fine day, played with Gillingham and beat them 60 runs, it was the worst fair I ever knew for a fine day - it was the opinion of most its coming on a saturday spoilt the fair. . . [Sept] Ned Groves paid me a visit after 11 Years service in the East Indies, apparently not much more worn than if he had been at home.

. . . (on thursday the 21st of Nov^r Tho^s Mullender Carpenter went to Gravesend with his horses in a light timber truck for some timber for the repairs of this farm, on his return home at the twelve step style by some means or other he got kil'd dead on the spot, whether he got under the wheel or was kicked never was rightly accounted for, but this I know his brains was knocked out for I saw them with my own eyes).

We had incendiaries almost all over Kent, and there was a meeting of about 7 Hundred of the lower class of people on Pennenden Heath the inhabitants of Maidstone got alarmed and was obliged to send for the military to disperse them - no harm done yet, but no doubt the fore runner of a glorious revolution. The fires continue almost all over the County, M^r Haysell at Eynsford had two stacks burnt, Mr Geo^c Rayshleigh at Horton had a stack set on fire and many more at different places, we have escapaid yet, large bodies of labouring clases meet at Tonbrige, Horsemonden, and Wrotham, they demand more pay, and seem determined to have it, their aim seem to be agains the parsons more than any, they say to the farmers gives us more pay and we will stick to you against the clergy tax gathers and et ceteret . . . Dec^r 19th . . . Mrs Muggeridge has got up from a premature lying in . . . Mr Whittaker dined at Longfield Court on Monday the 10th of Jan^y [1831] and slept here that night . . . the 7th of April tea party at Longfield Court and christening. . . .

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Mich^s 1831 has been a wonderfull year for moving in our family Mr Whittaker and Cam left Barming for 47 Parliment Street London. Mr Bensted and Mary left Longfield Court for Hartley Court, Father and Mother left Longfield for the Clock House Green S^t Green, Will^m and his wife left Ash for Longfield, and Henry left his Father to live with Mr Bensted. . . .

[1832] . . . there was sold some perriwinkles at Greenhithe which was poisonous – and killed 32 persons in that neighbourhood – A thing which never happened before in any mans memory. . . .

. . . Christmas day was mild and very wet the Thermomiter stood at 1 degree below Temperate without a fire in the room, the weather has been mild and dry up to this time Jan^y 18th 1833. . . .

. . . On Wednesday 28th of Aug^t. 1833 I went to Margate to stay with Ann Mugeridge, Thursday was a fine hot day went to Ramsgate, Friday walked round the neighbourhood of Margate it was a dry day with symtons of rain, in the Evening went to see M^r Knight perform his comicalities, it rained and blew, got wet through on our return home, it blew a hurricane all night with rain, Saturday, and Sunday it blew and rain^d most tremendoustly, such a gale the old fishermen said they had not had for forty years – the sea was dreadfull – 8 rods of the jutty was washed away, the flag staff was broke in the middle and the light house craked – this was not the worst . . . three home bound ships where drifted on the Goodwin sands and every soul perished, and have heard several accidents which I doubt not are true, of barges, fishing boats etc. have been lost, with many lives – such a scene in the hop grounds I never before witness in my time – poles driven in all directions, and I think I may say for truth that one third of the hops are blown away. . . .

. . . On the 17th [April 1835] we had a grand steple chase from Farningham along the Marshes to the Dartford Powder mills, M^r Sifferts Parasol won it, rode by Mason, seven started, the Marquess of Waterford rode Arab, got a fall and did not get in at all, all the other riders except Mason got falls but no mischief done – in the afternoon we had such a fall of snow as I never before witnessed this time of the year the ground was soon covered, and 4 Inches the next Morning, accompanied with a very severe frost. . . .

. . . My Sister M^{rs} Mugeridge departed this life on Wednesday morning the 5th of Oct^r [1836] she was taken with a fit which deprived her of her senses on Friday, the last day of Sep^r which never returned untill her death – she was buried on the South side of Longfield Church on Wednesday the 12th of Oct^r 1836 . . . on Wednesday the 30th of Nov^r we had such a gale of wind I never remembered from 9 in the morning till 12 O, Clock at noon it was very high, but from 12 till 1 it was dreadfull, it tore up trees by the roots, unroofed houses, stacks, and lodges, two barns in the Hundred of Hoo intirely blown down, the battlement on Rochester bridge, and many others to numerous to state was the consequence of this dreadfull wind, the distructions of property has been very severe. There has not been such a wind since the 9th of Nov^r 1801 some say it was then worse and other say it was not so bad.

EXTRACTS FROM THE FARM ACCOUNTS

Most of the accounts relate to payments made to farm workers and the following extracts give an idea of the rates of pay prevailing between 1823 and 1837. In the month of August extra hands were taken on for harvesting and these included a wide variety of people, particularly Irishmen, some of whom were named. Others were east Kent men, Plectall (Plaxtol) men, Strangers, North Country Men, Widow woman, Seal man, Wrotham Men, Scotchman, Ditford (?Deptford) man, Blackeys, Northfleet man, Northfleet woman, Northfleet boys, Gipsy Cooper, Gipsy Riding, Essex men and Marden man. In addition to the accounts there are two receipts for cleaning boot tops and one for making harness blacking, and I felt it would be of interest to include these.

The original spelling has been retained.

| | £ | " | s. | " | d. |
|---|-----|---|----|---|----|
| My Expences for cloaths - etc. | | | | | |
| A piece of cloth - | 2 | | 0 | | 0 |
| 6 pair of Stockings at 2 ^s . 6 ^d . a pair | 0 | | 15 | | 0 |
| 6 D ^o of Socks - 1 4 D ^o | | | 8 | | 0 |
| pair of Boots | 2 | | 0 | | 0 |
| pair of Boot tops | | | 16 | | 0 |
| Glass | 4 | | 0 | | 0 |
| Green cloth | 1 | | 3 | | 6 |
| Palmer Tailor | 4 | | 6 | | 0 |
| Green D ^o | 10 | | 0 | | 0 |
| 2 Hats at £1 7s par hat - | 2 | " | 14 | " | 0 |
| 2 pair of High shoes - | 1 | | 8 | | 0 |
| April 29 th my taxes for dogs | 2 | " | 2 | " | 0 |
| Nov ^r 1st my taxes for dogs | 2 | " | 2 | " | 0 |
| Sett ^d | £35 | " | 14 | " | 6 |
| [not dated] | | | | | |

| | £ | " | s. | " | d. |
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| Horse Account - 1822 [sic] | | | | | |
| Took by appraisment - 9 Horses | 100 | " | 0 | " | 0 |
| Brown died - Turpin died - Sold | | | | | |
| Sharper 5£ never got the money, Sold | | | | | |
| the blind mare, and Gilbert for - £4 - | | | | | |
| punch died, sold Captain £2, Bred the | | | | | |
| Grey Mare 1820, Bred Duke 1822 Bred Turpin | | | | | |
| Nag 1825, Bought Tinker Michelmas 1827 for | | | | | |
| £31.10s Bought Colonel and Sharper of Nordish | | | | | |
| June 1829 for £80, Bred a Nag 1827 - White face | | | | | |
| Mare had a foal give it Will ^m July 20 th 1829 | | | | | |
| a stile leap by Mr Whittaker's horse - Turpin Nag - | | | | | |
| died 20 th of Dec ^r 1829 of the strangles and | | | | | |

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inflemation – Bought a 3 Year Old Colt viz Gilbert of Nordish the 27th of Feb^y 1830 for 34£, Violet one that I took by appraisal Kill^d – had the canker, June 1st Bought a Nag of Uncle Will^m for £20 – Bought at Gravesend Fair 1830 a grey mare of a jockey named Lamb Named Violet money £24 – Sold him, the horse I bought of Uncle again lost 4£ by him – June 5th 1832 bought a horse of Nordish named Punch 42£, – M^r Nordish took M^r Punch again as he was good for nothing and let me have a grey horse in his room named Prince, Old Strowler the last of Uncle Allen's was sent to the Neckers on the 14th of April 1834 – Bought nag of Mr. Tanton May 26th 1834 for £30 [a blue day] Bought a 5 Year Colt at M^r Picketts sale £24 10.

N.B. The above does not follow the original line for line but it gives an idea of the way in which the account is set out.

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| 1823 | £ | " | s." | " | d. |
| Oct 10 Old Batt going down the Well | 0 | | 2 | " | 6 |

1824

Expences of the men unloading a Barge load of Dung July 2nd

| | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|----|---|----|---|----|
| | £ | " | s. | " | d. |
| Master Martin's days work | 0 | " | 2 | " | 6 |
| 2 Gooding's Thatchers | | | 5 | " | 0 |
| 1. Bottle of Gin | 0 | " | 3 | " | 0 |
| Bill for Beer for this, and fodder | 0 | " | 11 | " | 0 |
| | £1 | " | 1 | " | 6 |

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|--|----|---|----|---|----|
| Extra people employed for Haying | £ | " | s. | " | d. |
| July 11th | | | | | |
| Young Wickam 2 Days 3/4 at 2s. 6d. per day | 0 | " | 7 | " | 0 |
| Stranger 3 D ^o | | | 7 | " | 6 |
| Mas ^r Redsell 5 Days work at 2.6 D ^o | 0 | " | 12 | " | 6 |
| Mas ^r Hunt 8 Days work at 20 ^d . per day | 0 | " | 13 | " | 6 |
| John Batt 7 D ^o mowing | 0 | " | 19 | " | 0 |
| John Bevin 3 D ^o Haying | | | 7 | " | 6 |
| M ^{rs} Bevin 5 D ^o 3/4 at D ^o – 1 ^s . D ^o | | | 5 | " | 9 |
| G. Lynds, W. Blackman 1 Day each | | | 5 | " | 0 |
| | £3 | " | 17 | " | 9 |

Tom the Tinker

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|----|---|----|
| Sepr 8 th Tom H. | £ | " | s. | " | d. |
| 7 Days 1/2 at 2 ^s . 6 ^d . per day | 0 | | 18 | " | 9 |

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| Dec ^r 25 Christmas Singers | 0 | " | 6 | " | 6 |
| 30 Christmas Boxes etc. | | | 6 | " | 0 |

1825

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|--------------------------------------|---|---|----|---|---|
| March 19 News Papers | 0 | " | 15 | " | 3 |
| Aug ^t 20 News Papers Bill | 0 | " | 17 | " | 0 |

1829

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|---|-------|---|----|---|----|
| Feb ^y 22nd M ^{rs} Mullender | £ | " | s. | " | d. |
| 1 Year's washing | 2 | " | 10 | " | 0 |
| Cheese | | | 7 | " | 0 |
| Michelmas week | | | 7 | " | 0 |
| Bill | 1 | " | 9 | " | 0 |
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| | £4 | " | 13 | " | 0 |
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1830

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|--|-------|---|----|---|----|
| March 13 th John Batt | £ | " | s. | " | d. |
| 3 Days work at 2 ^s per day | 0 | " | 6 | " | 0 |
| 6 D ^o Henry at 1 6 D ^o | 0 | " | 9 | " | 0 |
| 5 D ^o D ^o | 0 | " | 2 | " | 6 |
| 16 weeks sleeping in stable | 1 | " | 0 | " | 0 |
| | <hr/> | | | | |
| Finished paying Rent | £1 | " | 17 | " | 6 |
| | <hr/> | | | | |

Sep^r 18th 1830 J. Bevin paid his Rent £6 and 10s. which he did not pay the year before last and £1 which he did not pay the year before that making altogether £7 10s. F. Andrus.

1832

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|---|---|---|----|---|----|
| Jan ^y 21 st Henry Thomas | | | | | |
| 6 Days work on acc ^t of Labour rate at) | | | | | |
| 6 ^{d.} in the pound parish of Northfleet at) | £ | " | s. | " | d. |
| the rate of 1 ^s 6 ^{d.} per day Gave him | 0 | " | 11 | " | 0 |

May 17th

[among other entries]

| | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|---|----|---|----|
| | £ | " | s. | " | d. |
| 1 Days work Dumb Tom | | | 1 | " | 6 |
| 1 D ^o Master Russell | | | 2 | " | 0 |

[Interpolated in an entry of July 28th for James Bevin]

Finished this Years thrashing average
2 1/2 Q^{rs} per Acre and 2 Bush^s over

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|---|---|---|----|---|----|
| Sep ^r 1st John Batt and Martin | £ | " | s. | " | d. |
| Qrs | 2 | " | 1 | " | 6 |

10 " Bush^s of Wheat at 4s. per
the first thrashing this Year.

1833

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|---|----|---|----|---|----|
| Oct ^r 29th Give my Mr. French on Acc ^t of) hop poles £20 Bank of England note No. 2941) also 2 ten pound Dartford note N ^{os} 991) and 12119 and £25 he had before which) I have his note of hand for make altogether) | £ | " | s. | " | d. |
| | 65 | " | 0 | " | 0 |

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|---|---|---|----|----|--|
| Nov ^r 2 nd Martin gate maker 24 gates at 6d. | 0 | " | 12 | "0 | |
|---|---|---|----|----|--|

1834

[interpolated in an entry for July 12th
for J. Bevin and H. Batt.]

Finished this Years Thrashing
Average 3^{qrs} 6 1/2 Bush^s per Acre

1835

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|--|---|---|----|---|----|
| Feb ^y 13th th Abr ^m Lee | £ | " | s. | " | d. |
| 3 Weeks pay | 1 | " | 4 | " | 0 |
| Paid for a sheep dog | | | 10 | " | 0 |
| | 1 | " | 14 | " | 0 |

1836

Sep^t 2nd Thrashed with machine

[Undated]

Finished Poling hops 27th of April cost 17^s - 6^d per Acre did them by the
day which I think very moderate considering we had 17 thousand new poles
to take in the ground and every stack of old poles to look over, and carry
them to different places all over the ground.

M^r Raysleigh's Tythe Mich^s 1832

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| 20 Acres of turnips at 3 ^s . per Acre | £ | " | s. | " | d. |
| 11 D ^o Peas poded at 5 ^s . D ^o | 2 | " | 15 | " | 0 |
| 3 D ^o Hops at - 10 ^s . D ^o | 1 | " | 10 | " | 0 |
| 2 D ^o Wood ---9 D ^o | 0 | " | 18 | " | 0 |

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|--------|---------------------------------|-------|---|----|---|---|
| 4 Cows | 1 ^s . each | 0 | " | 4 | " | 0 |
| 2 Sows | 1 ^s . D ^o | 0 | " | 2 | " | 0 |
| | Easter offering | | | 2 | " | 6 |
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| | | 8 | " | 11 | " | 6 |
| | carting 2 Loads tythe | | | 14 | | |
| | | 7 | " | 17 | " | 6 |
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Nov^r 6th 1832

Sett^d

M^r Rayshleigh Tythe Mich^s 1833

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| 23 Acres of turnips at 3 ^s . per Acre | | 3 | " | 9 | " | 0 |
| 10 D ^o peas poded 5 D ^o | | 2 | " | 10 | " | 0 |
| 5 D ^o hops 10 D ^o | | 2 | " | 10 | " | 0 |
| 1 D ^o Wood | | 0 | " | 9 | " | 0 |
| 1 D ^o potatoes | | 0 | " | 10 | " | 0 |
| 4 cows | | 0 | " | 4 | " | 0 |
| 2 sows | | 0 | " | 2 | " | 0 |
| | Easter Offerings | | | 2 | " | 6 |
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| | | 9 | " | 16 | " | 6 |
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Nov^r 6th 1833

Sett^d

M^r Rayshleigh tythes Mich^s 1834

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|---|------------------|-------|---|----|---|---|
| 15 Acres of turnips at 3 ^s . per Acre | | 2 | " | 5 | " | 0 |
| 4 D ^o of peas poded at 5 ^s . D ^o | | 1 | " | 0 | " | 0 |
| 7 1/2 D ^o of hops at 10 ^s . D ^o | | 3 | " | 15 | " | 0 |
| 1 D ^o Wood 9 Years growth | | 0 | " | 9 | " | 0 |
| 2 D ^o potatoes at 10 ^s . per Acre | | 1 | " | 0 | " | 0 |
| 2 cows | | 0 | " | 2 | " | 0 |
| | Easter offerings | | | 2 | " | 6 |
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| | | £8 | " | 13 | " | 6 |

M^r Rayshleigh tythes 1835

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|---|--|-------|---|----|---|---|
| 10 Turnips at 3 ^s . per Acre | | 1 | " | 10 | " | 0 |
| 7 1/2 Acres of hops at 10 ^s . per Acre | | 3 | " | 15 | " | 0 |
| 1 D ^o Wood at 9 ^s . per Acre | | 0 | " | 9 | " | 0 |
| 3 D ^o Potatoes at 10 ^s . per Acre | | 1 | " | 10 | " | 0 |
| 2 cows | | 0 | " | 2 | " | 0 |
| 2 sows | | 0 | " | 2 | " | 0 |
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| | | £7 | " | 8 | " | 0 |
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N.B. The Reverend Peter Rashleigh was Rector of Southfleet from 1788 to 1836.

Receipt for cleaning Boot tops

Take half an ounce of Oxalic Acid, add a pint of cold water and keep it corked up in a clean bottle; shake it well up before using, and pour a little out in a cup for use.

First – Clean the top with a sponge and cold water, then scour the top with a stiff brush with water and some pumice stone powder, then apply a very little of the Oxalic acid and rub it well on the top, with a sponge till the stains disappear, then wash all of as clean as possible with a sponge and cold water.

Or you may make Boot top liquid in the following way –

Take half an ounce of Oxalic acid, two ounces of pumice stone powder, and one pint of cold water, keep it mixed up together in a clean bottle and use it thus –

First – Wash the top clean with a sponge and cold water, then with a sponge rub a little of the liquid well on the top till the stains disappear, then wash all of clean with a sponge and cold water.

By doing this way you must observe to keep one sponge on purpose for the liquid and another for the water, and they always dry a deal better colour in the air than they do by the fire.

A receipt to make harness blacking

4 oz bees wax
1/2 lb of Ivory Black
1 oz Prussian Blue
1/4oz Indigo
1/2 Pint of Turpentine
1/2 oz Risin

