

May 6. Wednesday, fine, S. W. & N. W. varied between 6. W
& N. E. N. W. but close, 2 loads of Gravel from the Govern-
ment domain, to Mrs Wallers, new residence N. E. Towns belt
load of Hay from Whites on the Heathcote into the jet,
cutting chaff & etc. putting books to rights.

May 7. Thursday, fine, S. W. by N. W. Brooks took away
our shovels & etc. I rode up for them, getting N. W. 500 bucks
into garden from Jonesons, cutting chaff. writing in the
evening

May 8. Friday, shower last night & N. W. S. W. steady
rain after 6 P. M. ploughing up the paddock, posted a
letter to Brother.

May 9. Saturday, showery last night, threatening, by all quarters
ploughing garden & leveling it into the gully, cutting chaff
& etc. cold of Mamuka Sunset Painter.

Copy of a letter received May 5th from Jimmie (my brother)
State by Maryland.

My dearest Brother:

I received your letter this morning
& suppose sending something like a reply. Grand castles in
the air seem to be forming if not already formed, in your mind
concerning future prosperity & greatness in money matters,
but you must remember that by the time you are

"standing in Colchester with 500 or 400 a year coming in," Society
will (I hope) be so far improved, as not to bow down and
worship him who has his thousands, but rather look up with
similar feelings to him who possesses a large share of knowledge,
& can conduct ^{himself} & converse like a true gentleman; already this is
beginning to dawn, & England looks not to men of wealth, but to
men of intellect, not to men of affluence & riches, but to men
of prodigious learning & active minds - but to have knowledge
& to keep a mind, one needs the money, or "all's well that ends
well."

I have left the old place, where, come weal or woe - work work
work, was the old, old tale, & am now living a life

"As idle as a painted ship
upon a painted Ocean."

But intend going up to London next month on speculation.
William & I are going to eat & drink, & laugh & cry, & sing &
mourn, & sleep & sigh, under the shadow of the selfsame
roof, & I doubt not that we shall live together in peace
& happiness many a year.

I am very pleased to hear you are getting on so rapidly, you'll
soon have to institute a bank of your own, or else your bankers
will have to batle on an extra grand or two - but don't come
home with full pockets & a partially filled mind.