JANUARY 19,1884

Lewis Simpson acct., with Walter B. Wade Jan. 19 one suit of clothes cost \$6.00

Dec. 15 Birtten Jones 1 cap \$1.05

Jan. 20 Stick of McMurchy tobbacco .25

Jan. 26 James Brown watch \$8.00

what was made in the year of 1883, twenty-one Fence concluded bales on sixteen acers of new ground cane land and 113 bushels of corn on 8 acers of second class land. Truck patch produce, Potatoes 300 bushels, Molasses 18 gallons, Pinder (peanuts) 8 bushels, Peas in cornand truck patch 600 bushels, watermellons, well I guess about 5000 there is 540 handles to the mile at the rate of 8 feet a yard, that is more fence of corn.

In the summer of 1883 the goose pond in the frount yard was dug In the spring of 1883 the Memphis and New Orleans Texas Railroad was started through Jefferson County.

I butchered a hog this evening weighing 170 lbs. She was a very large Black.

WALTER B. WADE acct. with A.Schwartz

Feb. 9 one 1b. of smoking tobacco .75

Feb.29 two 1bs shot .30

.30 Apl.4 aminichion

the hog again, Burkshire sow aged 3 years. Presented to Ma by Cosin Addie Wade. Aged 3 years Feb. 14, 1884. We had some find music tonight from old man Henry Simpson and the fiddle Thursday Feb. 14 1884, but it was with a rotton bow.

A terrible actdent hapened to day, I was down in the Feb 15 paster cutting rails when all at once one of my dogs comemence to bark with a terrible fright. I descovered that she had disturbed a coon in a stump, I got the coon out to see a fight but as he came out, Lewis (one of my hands) struch at him and killed our little dog Pup, for Pup was his name, but we got the coon any how. The little dog was buried nicely near the old pond in the paster at the roots of the locus tree, he was a good pet with chickens. Pug and Richard were the children.

Old Pets ca; f was born two weeks from to day 19, Feb 84 it is a bull calf. Old Pigon calf 23rd Feb 84. Pa went to Natchez to day and bought of Mr. Schwartz some wire fenceing, 1 barrel of irsh potatoes and 1 hand saw.

a negro hymn If I had died wen I young, I neber wod had dis rest to run.

We started to plant some irish potatoes today but rain stoped us, it has turned off very cold. 5 Feb. 84.

We enclose the hogs on the 5th March 84

I received my knife on 3 March 1884 from Home and Farmer price \$1.50 One bushel oats weighs 32 lbs. Bell colt was born on 6 March 1884 and George was by.

Marshall cut his foot in the big toe joint by cuting a vine. March tuesday 18th the gash was cut to the bone and about two inches long.

I was taken sick on the 10th of March with a chill and was sick in bed for a week and I also had a boil on the end of my front finger and it gave me a great deel pain.

We got two Calhoon Plows and a cotton sweep from Mr. L.Cohn on the 13 of March. We planted corn on the 17th of March 1884 it is unfinished yet. I bought Ma a clothes line on the 18th and cotton line.

First gozlin hatched of 1884 was hatched on the 19th March. March 24 I went out to the Depo and rode my horse for the first time in a month. come back by Uncle Bobs and Walters and spent the night and day and come bake home and spent the monday building bridge across the little stream in the lot. March 20th, 1884

I mailed two letters on the 29th March one to P.K. Whitney, starkville Miss. and the other to Post Master of Cleaveland Ohio.

My old ox gave out this evening his name was Buck. April 1884 for the first time, he is now ten years old. Pa traded Cousin Alinson Wape one ox for a cow. I heard the first Partrage whisle on the 8th of april, first dove 28th of March. Emmette and myself got all of the cattle up on the 11 of april, we own at this time 27 head of cows and 60 head of sheep and lambs.

Emmette and myself went down to Coesin Ike Burches to take a fish but had no luck on acount of the rain april 4th. Coesin Addie R. Wade came home from Rocky Springs unexpected april 13. Old frosty found dead in a gully april 8, 1884 (an cow) she left great grand children she now aged 10 years old. She was our main stand by and altogether she was a great lost. six head of cows lost in spring of 1884. started to plantin cotton april 8th in the new ground and finished the new ground on 9th day and a half. planting 12 acers. Seven head of horses and mules 7 in all (3mules and 4 horses) nineteen head of hogs and 300 acres of land. Pa planted the orcher (between which the pond is and the house) in the years of 1879and78 ans76 and 1880-81-82-83 he has spent up until this time \$40 for fruit trees and strawberrys. Cattle again we had in the years of 1882 28 head of cattle and have lost 6 head and sold and killed 4 head since 1882 up Birds again. I heard my first whipple wil on 12th of april first oriole april 12th.

VERY RESPECTFULY W.B.WADE

1882

copied from my other book

Feb 20th on this day(Monday)in the evening about 5 o'clock it began to rain very hard. We found that Battle was lost (during the storm) after hunting about the house and yard he was found in one of the out houses with Emmette asleep on a pile of cotton seed. Jan 1st 1882 I promised to pay Abe More \$1.50 for the use of his tools for a year(abe is a colored man).

Sept 16, 1882 sugar cain mill broke. I finish my corn house. July 1 1882 I bought a pair of shirt sleeve suspenders from Cohn and Wies. July 1st, I went up Uncle Pats and spent the day with a group of young people, the members were

Coesin Lyda Dunbar, coesin Mary Richardson, coesin Annie Wade, Miss Susy and Laura West, Miss Darden.

Ma was taken very sick Sept. 6, 1882. I got second watch June 8th, 1884

I started to planting cotton in the corner on the 28th and finish on the 30th all in april. Marshalls cotton was planted at the same time. We shured(sheared?) the sheep 1st day of May. 30 head, 18 and 13 lambs Started to working corn on 29th april. Barnes Wade got some Allin cotton seed from me and Emmette. Sheep 30 old 18 young buck 12yr old.

Handy Wilson

George McRannals

Emerson Gray

Henry Simpson

Abe Green

Alison Wade

Scott Ellis

Mr. Wrotes

Willis Watkins

All these partys has got sugar cane seed to plant in april and may. Our molasses gave out on May 8th 1883s crop.

I sold my watch to Lewis Simpson (a colored person)on 7th of may for \$4.25. I bought it for \$3.50. May 4th, 1884 a very hard storm approched but did but a very little harm. I made and fix stable and fruit ladder may 16th. I sent for another watch on the 21st of may. I sent to N.Y.City. I sent for another watch on 1st of july 1884. I bought a saddle from Mr. Anderson and paied him \$10 for it. It was bought on the 1day of may. We are laying by our crop just as hard as we can and it is the first week in August. Sister has been spending a few days with cosein Carrie during this time her ______birthday was passed up.

Acct. Emmaline Homes May 12, meat 181bs, may 12th meal 2 bushels May 29th Meat81bs meal 2 bushel. all paid

Steam Engine, Uncle Bob and Walter(Wade) bought a new engine and boiler in the summer of 1884.

We started to making molasses on the 20th of august 1884. I went to the party last thursday night at Miss Jennie Killingsworth aug.21. I received a letter from Aunt Sallie a few days ago.

The 13th day of august the members of the Cane Ridge church saw that they church needed repairing. So they went to work to raise money to do so by giving a big Picknic and succeded in earning the amount of \$11.80. I attended and gave them \$2.25 which I have since regretted very much.

We are in the midst of making molasses we have put up 116 gallons. One barrel of sugarjuice makes 4½ gallons of molasses. Aunt Lottie has been stahing with us for six weeks and expect to reamain until she dies. Poor old ladie what sympthy I have for the old ladie. May the Lord bless her with the tenderest blessing. The reader will have to be very careful in reading..

Aug 28, 1884

With much interest am I looking forward to attend the A. AND M. COLLAGE Starkville Miss. sher if I do go it is my entention to spend the 25 or 26 of my birthday. I am now 17 years old soon will be 18. We have finish making molasses for ourself and 106 gallons is what we have made in the year of 1884. Picknic at fellow ship on the 3rd of Sept for the purpose of raising money to repair the Pasters home. I do not know what they raised.

the total crop of 1884 names and number of hands

Lewis Simpson

Freeman Lee

Frank Roferson

Rockann Harper

Millie Whitter

Walter B. Wade

Emmette Wade

Marshall Wade

25 bales cotton	acers	26	
135 bushels corn and peas		13½	
50 bushels potatoes	1	L	
125 gallons sugar cain		1 ½	
3 bushels Pinders (peanuts)		rows	15
15 bushels peas			
total number of acers 69			

1885

Work which I done at the Aand M collage	
Jan 12 Monday setting out berries	3 hours
13 cleaning up ground	3 ₩
19 diging up trees	3
22 scattering manure	21/2
26 spading	3
Feb.	
setting out strawberrys	3
4 hauling manure	3 9
6 digging holes	4
8 spreading manure	11/2
9	1
11 setting out strawberrys	6 1
14 plowing	$4\frac{1}{2}$
(there are a number of pages running along in this vane	e I am
encluding these as an example of his schedule)	

I got my uniform on 25th of Jan 1885. I arrived at the A. AND M. COLLAGE on the 4th of Jan, leave home (Red Lick) on the 3rd. The distance is about 200 miles, it cost me \$5.00 to get here.

1885 We ginned up 15 bales of cotton on the 19-22-23-24 hands at work at it Frank Roberson, Lewis Simpson, Freeman Lee Roram Harper

Damest lazy set of negros on the top side of the earth..yours truly Somebody

Grammer is a powerful hard book to learn (comment by W.B.Wade followed by a list of prepositions. 1885

Feb. 11, 1885

I arrived here on the 5th of Jan 1885, leaving home on the 4th for the collagequite difference from what was expected before leaving home but fourtently better than what was though was thankful to find it so not only to my good but to the general and the boys of the collage. March 25, 1885 A. AND M. COLLAGE

A TRIP TO THE EXPOSITION.

Left the A and M 5 o'clock Monday morning March the 16. After all being seated in four or five coaches we started out on our journey after about one hours ride we reachedArtesia, there we remained until the south bound train arrived which was about one half hour. shure enough here she came around the road like a great sperit. after snorting and puffing awhile she hitches on to our cars and soon we found our selves gliding southward with a lighting speed . After about 2 hours ride through a level scarp of country we at last reached Enterprise which was a verry nice pretty little village but not so pretty but level plot and poor surounding country, thus so on we went until we arrived at Mersian this was a considerable stopping place and city, we changed cars for New Orleans andon we went gliding and screating and rumbling through the air until we reached McComb, here was nothing but scrub and sandy haired people and gophers. You may well know we did not stay here long, so on we went andwent and went passing a place of this discription, one in a while until we crossed the Pearl river here was a change in the country but very little of it, we soon passed through the swamps in to the pine hills again. then we struck some very fine saw mill country after traveling through this discription of country about five miles we at last come to the swamps of Lake Pontchartrain which continued about a mile and jalf before reaching the water. This swamp is by no means navergairble, so here comes the great body of water. we traveled over for then miles. It was a grand sight to see the little sail boats in every direction and as far as you could see was nothing but water.

While crossing the Lake the train moved very slow on account of bad trusles. Which we could very easily see (the trussles posts) sink down six inches as the train passed over them. But on went and at last reaches the other sidewith safety. We then (after about five miles) reached the great city of New Orleans, which was now five o'clock in the evening. (Monday) We all got out and formed the, rolls were called and all present. Under the command of Lt. Buckwe marched a half mile through the city up to the steamboat landing here we remained for two hours, waiting for the boat. preasantly she arrived. (I forget the name of it) and all marched aboardher and soon sailing up the great Mississippi river bound for the Exposition. After about two hour ride we finally reached the exposition landing, here we all got a shore and marched in the Exposition grounds(this was about eight o'clock at night) through the main buildings and government buildings and on to the Winse Hotel. Here the command was given to halt which was promptly obed for we were very much fatigued and was glad to stop, thus we remained for about 15 minutes while in mean time arrangements was made for us to have supper by our commandent. We all ate a hearty meal and rose from the table feeling some what better. Then we once more formed and marched in the hall where our rooms were distributed Here we sat down and talked over our days trip for a hour I suppose. Presently we retired to our beds were we slept soundly until morning. (I forgot to say that we stacked our arms in the Mess department before leaving the government building)

TUESDAY

We all appeared at breakfast looking and feeling very well. After eating a hearty meal the bugle was sounded and we all met in frount of the hotel and formed (about this time the people were gathering from every direction to see us march) and marched up into the gover, emt building where the command was given to halt (which was of course obeyed) and then we broke ranks and scatered in every direction. I spent the most of my time in the Mississippi department that day during which time I saw a great many interesting articals.

now it is useless for me to try to describe all I saw and what I saw butI will indever to describe some of the things

The first thing attracted my attention was a large popular stump which measured 13 feet in diameter it came from Washing county (Miss) the next thing was a corn crib made of 36 different kinds of wood. Mr. Dunbar Hunt sent from Jefferson county. The next thing that came in my sight was the fruit stand of Miss. Why I had no idea that Miss could offer such nice tempting fruit as I saw laying on that stand. Next thing was the inventions of Miss. which surprised me very much. Here I had delayed nearly half the day in looking over a space of about 25 feet. Well I thought to myself this worunt do, I must see things faster than this so on I went looking over it generaly and found it was impossible to see it all that day. So I stoped to set down and rest. I was soon seated and resting finely while glancing around me I discovered that I was in midst of a large number of animals. Which look so strange I was compelled to leave my seat and take a closer and better The first thing I noticed was a large Elephant which survey of them. was found frozen in the ice in the northern portion of New Foundland in the year 1834 (for who he was discovered by) there was the section of a whale which measured 86 feet long from the tip of tail to the tip of nose, his jaw bone measured 15 command and in Center # FEET IN DIAMETER, THIS WAS A FUNNY LOOKING THING FOR A FISH. caught near the southern coast of Australia. A tongue or pen could not tell all I saw there in a space of about 80 or 100 feet in about 1 hour there was all kinds of animals there in the world. I looked with great wonder and amasment until the sound of the bugle interupted me and them I could hardly leave, but I managed to do so and met all the other boys where our arms was stacked, here we formed and took our arms and under the comand of Lt. Buck we marched all around in and through the The people seemed to look at us with thwre eyes and mouth wide open and wondering if we actually ment to fight or not. in from every direction to see us march it was a large part of Miss. It was also a treat to some of the olf soldiwers (seemed exhibite. to be) Well after giving the dress parade we marched back in Miss department and stacked our arms again and broke ranks. And you may well know that every fellow struck out for the resturant which after doing we all scattered again to the four winds some went up to the city and some went to bed and some back in the grounds, there we all remained until about twelve o'clock.

I forgot to say that this was on Miss day and during our dress parade we went up to the steam boat landing to salute the Governor as he got ashore and appeared before us, we followed him down to the main enterance where we were comfortly seated on the stand with the Governor standing in front of us making a speach which was very highly saluted by the great mixican band and we were also saluted as we marched on the stands and went to spech again. This is the end of tuesday March 17th,1885.

Wednesday

Wed. morning we all arose and found it raining this was very sad as it caused a good many of us to get wet and sich on this day, we all were marched up in the Govt. building and was ordered by Pro. Miles to attend the department which consisted of (in the main building) all of the farm implements and machenery, which I did and found it more interesting than any other part of the whole expo. here was cotton pickers, corn shellers, wheel cultvators and all kinds of seed planters and stalk chokers and sulkey plows, sawmills, mowing machines, ground running engines and hay gathering and self binders and all kinds of farm macjinery you can think of all in full motion I walked on a little farther and just around the corner I observed that I was in the midst of a thousand different large steam engines, every one moving with lightening speed, Will thinks I will go down this ile sure so on I went about I thought but after awhile I stoped and found that I had not gone more than 25 yds, well; think I to myself I had better spur up and get out of here so I struck out for the Govt building as it was then about time to be on hand to fall in to give another dressparade. I made my way to the spot where our gums were and there found all of the boys there reddy and willing to do his part, so as I was very tired and fatequid I took my seat in a chair near a Tenn. regestering book(were not quite ready to fall in yet) Where I had quite a pleasant chat with a Tenn. farmer. He induce me to regester on his book by telling that he had a large family of girls at home and wanted all of we cadets to regester so as he could recemmed us to his daughters when he went home. You may know I of course told some of the boys of this and I have since learnt that out of 280 of us 180 have give that Tenn. man his name, so after awhile the bugle was sounded to fall in this not all did. The roll was called and the reports we made acorten.

the command was given (by Lt. Buck) to take arms two right march which I believe was all very promptly excuted for there was thousand andthousand of people all around us and of corse every fellow tried to do his best, so out we marched followed by these people out to dress parade ground and where we gave the dressparade due in which time it became nessary to give us the order to stand in pace rest, this did by laying down and stretching out on the grass and every fellow seemed to enjoy findly (for the grass was six inches high and in full bloom this being clover) it gave a nice odor to the air. While so engaged an old tall long leged man with a stove pipe hat set side ways on his head was noticed by the boy talking to Lt. Buck. After talking with him about five minutes the command was given, forward march, by this we were conducted up to a little lake about five hundred yards off where we all of us scattered around. Oh its green bank on the obste side from which we arrived. The question maybe asked for what purpose was this the answer is to take a picture of us which was done in about five min After this was over with we were conducted back (by Capt. Reid) to the government building where we broke ranks. After reaching the Miss. Dept. and stacking our arms. Every fellow there again struck out for the resturant where we were all truly filled and felt some what better. After smoking and talking a while of which direction to take next, every fellow struck out his own way. This evening I was taken with a chill and I went my own way you bet, this was to the bed where I remained until the next morning which was Thursday. The balance of the boys all got in about 10 or 12 o'clock.

THURSDAY MARCH 18

This morning the roll was called as usual and the same thing with the battalion was done to day as it was done the other times. On this day I took in the houlter culture dept which was quite beautiful and that about all, allthough I saw some very fine fruit of all kind from all parts of the world. I noticed the fruit from Miss. particular and I was very much surprised to see her afforded such nice fruits, the oranges were quite notaceable to, from Flordia. I did not fancy the general view of this department much so I did not tarry long here. but returned back to the main building, here as I entered I descovered that there

was a top floor that I had not seen. So I thought I world go up and see and so I did and what do you think I saw, I only saw carriges and buggies and wagons of all disscription and some of the finest and pretest I ever saw in my life but I had a general view of what was below me which On the left of me I could see all of the machines was simply grand. at work, manufacturing silk handchief, hats, boots sock harness (carrage) nails of all kinds of tin work and iron wair, wood and crockery waire. Among the iron machinery I saw them making barb wire which was quite a treat to me to see it made, but I could not describe how it was done. Among these articulars I noticed a coil of wire laying on the floor that measured ten feet high and six feet wide, this bundle of wire is said to be one of thelargest first bundle in the world, if I had had the money I would have bought it, sold it by the retail. It was now about time to get to our arms and go to work again so I struck out for the Miss. dept again where I soon arrived and found all of the boys there nearly. While we were waiting on Lt. Buck I met Mr. Bradfort a methidest minster from Port Gibson Miss. It made me feel good to see some body I knew there in such a place as that was. I had a very pleasant conversation with him for about a half hour. After falling in ranks and standing as though I was a lifeless object of some descrip tion(for I (darsont) to move here came Mr. Lewis and family accompany by Mr. Drake, these two gentlemen were both methodist minester. But among this family was Miss Lewis which made the group or family a great deal more attractive than it would have been if this fair young maiden have not been in it.

there she stood before
me as fair and bright as
a morning glory and
I could only take
it in by the aid of
my eyes the last I
saw of her she was
watching me, I came back
in search of her but did
not find her or see her
any more so good bye.

ON returning from the dress parade I concluded I would go in to the city of New Orleans on this afternoon. So after eating a hearty meal accopnyed by my friend Sam Hoskins, we took the first street car. After seating our selfes comfortably out we started. After about two hours ride we reached canal street, where we got out on the side walk struck out down the street in search of a dime store or this we soon found and went in and it was grand, it was a kind of Here we remained for about three hours. I unluckly took a chill and had to leave my campanion and go back to the grounds. On my way back on looking out of the windows I observed a balloon assafter reaching the hight of about one half mile it took a and moved at the raite of about thirty miles and north east rougt The man who was in it (or under it) got back to the grounds the next day and I heard that he said he landed on the north Bank of lake Pontchartrain. I also saw the balloon before assending but did not examine closely. After reaching the grounds I retired to my bed and here remained until the following morning which was fryday. This is the end of Thursday.

FRYDAY MARCH 19, 1885

The same being done this morning as usual. I walked over a great deal of the grounds and buildings and saw some tning new every minute, I was there, But now I began to be tired of it and wanted to go back to the college so I went back to the Winnsor Hotel and set around the stove until time to perform my part of the dressparade here I sit until the horn was sounded and called me to my post then I went. This dressparade was equaly attractive as the others. the following evening I went up to the steam boat landing to see the boats pass by and push off from the banks. Here I had the pleasure of meeting Miss Alice McPherson and Mr. A.J. Melton and Missis Hays from Clifton. After seeing them on board the boat I went out on the warf and became acquainted with a young man by the name of Eaton from Vickburg Miss. Here I remained until sunset and then returned to the hotel. (I forgot to say I met Miss Eddie Hall during this day but did not speak to her)

I felt a little tired from the walk so I ate a hearty supper, after which I returned in the sitting room and found a good many of the boys there waiting and preparing for the dancing to commence (for there was a large ball given that night to the A AND M College cadets) I went to my room and prepaired to have a nice time but after about a half hour I was forced to go to bed by a chill so I missed it all. so this winds up Fryday for me. The other boys all had a fine time I believe.

SATERDAY MARCH 20, 1885

This day the weather was so disagreable that we had no milleterry duties at all. This day I spent a part of it on the upper floor of the goverment building and saw a great many interesting things such as tobacco corn, wheat, potatoes and from different states of the union. I pass the day away in the government building until just before sunset when I went over in the main building and here I remained until 8 o' clock at night. I then started on return to the hotel. reaching it I was interrupted by my friend Ben W. Safford to turn back with him and go in a new part of the grounds to see the Great Battle (SADAM?) after discussing the matter well and truly I consented to go on with him. we went until we reached the great --- Here at the door our tickets were disstribed to us by a little girl about 16 summers, this little girl took my eye, she was as fair as a morning blosom. With jet black hair and eyes, it actually glistend as the curls mingel about her shoulders. Ben and I though we would have some fun and I supposed she thought the same thing. So we stood there talking with her for I suppose on hour, the subject of our fun was what large children we were (Ben and I) the question may asked by the reader why such a subject as theis to talk about, the answer is the enterence in the battle was 50 cets and as we were Caddets of the A AND M College of Miss we were admitted in for half fair (25¢) and of course the tickets was sold to us as half fair had the brand on them in large letters A CHILD TICKET and as she handed us the tickets with her fair little hand she remarked "I believe you all the largest children I ever saw in my life" Of corse this was just to our hand and from this on we went I beleive all three of us enjoyed it most findly.

After this we went up in to the galery where we could get a view at the great seanary And I am truly sure that I never saw a picture to equal it nor will I ever see. It was painted by Prof. Hookman (I think) in the year 1840 he was at work on it 4 years (compleated) in 1884 it was 50 feet high and 100 from the banister by which we stood and 800 yds around. It is almost useless to try to describe it any futher but I will venture anyhow. In the first place it was not an interesting view unless you took a long and studied look at every particular part of it exactly, without this it would just seem like a picture of nothing but the heavans and a birds eye view of about one half of the world but bu close obersvation I could distinguish and imagine the terrible and horrible suffering of the Battle, it was so plain that one would have declared he heard the report of the guns. We remained here until every thing was closed for the night. On returning to the hotel we found it difficult to get to our chambers but finely sucseeded in fooling the police by telling him that we were new vistors and had just reached the grounds.

SUNDAY MARCH 21sr

In the early dawn of the day of our blessed Lord the sun rose with bright and pleasant smile, which was so bright as to light up as much as one whole half of our great coninent. On arising from my resting place after a long and hard summer. I bathed and dressed and went in surch of grub, this I soon found very plentiful in the Winsor Resterant. After being truly filled I arose form the table and walked out on the platform and lit a cigar (feeling much better) and in and with a crowd of firends commenced disscussing about the programe for the last day at Expostion. After talking over the subject about an hour or two we concluded to go in the city and attend church. we halted the first street car that passed by and got aboard it and soon we were bound for the city. After arriving in the city I met Mr. E.C.Chatman (one of our Cadets) whom handed me a peice of paper and at the same time telling that there was a young lady around on Cordwell st. NO 52 that was our coesin and said she said for us to come around and see her.

I could not think to save my life who it could be. But any way we struch out for the above named house and sure enough here was one of our cousins right from home. Mattie D. Wade accompaneyed by some of her Fayette friends, here we spent the day had a very nice time but did not attend church as was thought before leaving the grounds. In fact I nearly forgot it was sunday for from the appearence of the movements of the people, it was in the middle of the week. Stores were open, saloons in full blast, wagons and cars and carriages were going in every direction and at the top of thier speed. I did not know what to think is it possible this caint be Sunday perhaps I am mistaken maybe this is saturday instead of sunday, no this is sunday, but what does the peolle mean have they forgotten all about christanity or have they no laws in the city to obey and if they have are they so weak as to have no efect or are they not regarded any at all. I very much supprised to all this, it was now about two o'clock in the afternoon when we bid all good by to all present and took the first street car for the grounds, We soon arrived at the Exposition grounds. We then struck for the resterrant where we were truly filled with the very best of grub. After our friend Jeff Christ' man came to us and told us tht our Uncle was on the grounds and said to meet him at the Soda water fountain at four o'clock. We were so glad to hear that he was in the city and we were going to see him that we did not wait until four o'clock but went emeately to the spot assigned and after waiting and walking patiently for about a half hour sure enough here he came, accompanyed by two friends Harris Banks and Anon Killingsworth. we saw them coming at a distance and went to meet them. After all had gave his fist a good shake and standing and talking awhile we started out to take in some of the wond' The first place we struck for was the department of the A AND M College of Miss, while in search of this we ran upon another friend Mr. Roger Killingsworth (who had been in company with our uncle) After looking at the exhibit of the college awhile we all struck out for the main building to hear the music of the great mexican band. But before going for we met Miss Sallie Ilene Watkins and her two Sisters Leate and Larra. But as we were in a hurry we did not stop to speak to them.

I do not think they regonized us. I have often felt badly of it since We soon reached the music hall in the main building, where was thrown in our eyesight the appearence of about forty thousand people all lestening at the music of the band. We soon becaome members of the lestening crowd. After lestening and being members of the crowd for about one hour we found it to be time to depart from here and get to our post for duties as we (Emmette and myself) would be left so we departed from here and went up the gate with our friends and bid them good by and left them waiting for a street car bound for the city. The question may asked by the reader, who was this Uncle of ours? It can be answered by the short word Battlie Harrison Wade. mette and myself) made right for the armes where we were to unite and get reddy and bid the old Exposition good bye. When we reached the above named place we found nearly all of the boys there and ready and willing to move from this all mighty place. Here was our noble and manly little commdant W.L.Buck, who was just as ready and willing and ready as any of us to leave. After waiting for about an hour (for all the boys to get there) we were ordered by the sound of the bugle to fall in and attend roll call. this being done was discovered that aabout half the Battalion was missen the orders then was given by the commadent for the bugler to go around and blow them up. Well this was done and all came to like, then we were formed and marched out with step of the drum to the warf where we found the Geneoa (the name of the boat) waiting for us. As we marched out of the grounds all the way from the Miss, department to the warf we sang the spmg of "O soldiers aint you happy as we go marching along" It was then about 8 o'clock at night. As we passed by the doors our echo and shouts went through the buildings and attracted the attention of all who hear us. those that were able to get to see us ran for the next door to get a better view of us again . Presently we reached the boat on which we went aboard and seated are selves and commenced to sing of all the songs you ever hear of. After about a hour and a half ride we reached the landing at the foot of Canal Street, here we all got a shore and att' ended roll call and was conducted bu our commendant W.L.Buck up through the city for about two miles to the central depo.

Where we got aboard the train that was pointed out to us, it was then 10 o'clock on sunday night. After about the elaspe of twenty minutes the bell was sounded for all to get on board. This I suppose was obeyed and then came the clear noble sound of coff of the powerful engine, which seemed to say huh, huh, I am bound for the A ANS M College This of course cheered the hearts of all the boys on board her. We were all pretty tired so we went to sleep on the seats or any place we could get to stretch out. After a long night travel in the pearly dawn of monday morning we reached Maridian. Here we changed cars and soon we were going up the R.R. at the speed of 50 miles and hour. Soon we reached Artisia it was them 12 o'clock on monday, dinner time and it was dinner time to with all of us. You see we had not eaten any thing since leaving the Winsor Hotel on Sunday at 3 o'clock. Neather did we get any thing until 3 that monday evening. I declare I never was so hungry and I hope and pray to my heavenly Father that I may never be again so long as I live. After waiting and fooling there awhile we changed cars for the college. All were happy then and soon we arrived at the old stomping grounds again. Sleepy and tired O God but soon we went to the Mess Hall and were truly filled and then went to our beds.

And went to sleep and did not wake up again until that time on tuesday. So this winds up the long to be remembered trip to the Exposition. The above is a scetch of a trip taken to the New Orleans Exposition in the month of March 1885 by th A and M College Cadets.

writer Walter B. Wade written May 13th, 1885

Jan. 19, 1886 Dyedo had 6 pups on the 18th of Jan

Marshall started to school on Jan 19, 1886 to Miss Anna Jones.

Ma was taken sick on the 8th Jan. 1886 is still sick. At the same time Jack Ross Wade was born

I sent \$5.00 to Mr. F.O. White Chicago Ill by regiestered letter on Jan 19th

Finished the barb wire fence that runs down the old Page ridge on tuesday the 17th day of Feb. five wires, we expect to trun sheep and cows and horses. It (the fence) commences at the lot fence in front of an old quarter and runs nearly one ½ mile and strikes the big byou about 100yds above the old bridge and about 100yds behind th old gin.

Fri. Aug 7,th, 1885
Robert Emmette Wade made \$100
Born Jan 27th, 1869
W.B.Wade made \$1000
Born Feb 1,1867
T.M.Wade made \$50
Born Jan 8, 1871
L.P.Wade born Aug 5, 1873 made \$25

Cash Acct.

what I have made and what I have spent. to wit	
May 29Brought home from college	\$1.09
July 4 spent at picnic	4.00
14 for tabacco	.50
water mellon	.25
candy	.25
whiskey	1.00
july 28 tobacco and cigarettes	.65
30- cravat	.45
15 loaned Freeman	.50

July 19 Henty Nights	.50
Aug. 1st Lost or was stolen	2.00
July 6 made serveing	1.00
well in the month of July	\$19.85
June 10 Loaned Frank	.50

AUGUST 7th, 1885

Uncle Bob made Ma a present of two doz fruit jars and 100 lbs of white sugar. Which she filled and used up nearly with pears and figs and peaches. Also fill two oak barrels of cabbage and 10 gallons of tomatoes and 6 gallons of cucumbers. All for winter use.

Children of Dunbar Bisland Wade and Martha Reeves Wade

m.s Dialond	Feb 1, 1867	
Walter Bisland	reb 1, 1007	
Robert Emette	Jan 27, 1869	
Marshall	Jan 1871	
Lottie P.	Aug 5, 1873	
Battle Dunbar	Feb 8, 1875	
Sallie M	Feb 7, 1879	
Richard Ross	Aug 13, 1881	
Catherine Dunbar	2, 1883	
written by R.E.W.	held for better direction	
this is some of Em	mette scratchings	
*(odd jottings on this page)		
Miss Addie R. Wade	e Glenn Shanty	

cotton picking--first picking 225 Marshall

Dec. 17, 1885

I sold for Ma this evening (Dec 17) 9 geese for fourty-five cents apiece to Mr. A.Schwartz. I carried them up to Mr.Schwartz in a two yoke Ox wagon and it was more bother than 9 bails of cotton of the best lint cotton.

Nov 7 Millstones 30 in across 6in thick, 102 around. How many squares is in the stone?

1886

Pa joined the Prespertian church on second sunday of July. And the same day Marshall, Lottie, Battail, Sallie, Catherine and Richard were all christened by Rev. J.S. Shaw then the pastor of the Red Lick church.

Marshall gathered his corn that grew in front of Roxan house on 10 and 11 of aug.

We finished picking over my and Em cotton the first time on 30th Sept. The six acre cut next to George Mathers, got nearly 1600 first picking

Oct. 21, 1885

Sam Chambers a colored man on our place knocked old Buck in the head with an ax Saterday morning on Oct 18th. After he fell he (Sam) stuck a large knife in his throat he sure did die, and we sure did eat, Buck was an old ox about 11 years old. During his life he was work hard and we killed him for beef. Hope he will last for meat until we get more Oct 28

Red Lick Sept 26, 1885

Cousin Addie Charleston Miss.

Dear cousin yours came to hand a few days and content noted. I am sorry to hear that you have lost your situation and am come home to go to work. Was in hopes you would come back with your name changed. to a Mrs. instead of Miss. you are missen very much since you left and still you have not been gone over 4 mos. You must look around and see if you can find me a situation so I can come up and be with you sone up there in that country will you? I do hope you will not say anything of our promise that we made the last time we parted. Now I know you are on the train sailing up the little J AND RR but I am in the chimley conner writting to you, doing nothing to earn my bread and meat. Hoping you are well. I am yours W.B.W.

Mr. Bennie Farmer Rocky Springs, Clayborn Co, Miss Dear Friend

Supposing you are looking for a letter from me. I will hereby endeavor to send you one. Hoping you will apprecate it although my letters are not worth notescing. Cotton and corn are being gathered now as fast as the weather will permit. I picked out 75 pounds of cotton last Friday by dinner. Now Bennie I know you will Say you can beet this but but I know better. Cousin Addie has just left us now you have no idea how much I miss her. This leaves all well and hope it will find you enjoying the same. Hoping to hear from you soon I remain your cincier friend.

W.B.W.

It is a well known fact as the reader may see on the opsite page a letter to my friend Bennie Franklin Farmer of the Rocky Springs neighborhood Clayborn Co. U.S. of america well this letter is an answer to one I received from him on the 28th day of May 1883 and among my old letters I come across this one from my long forgotten friend, but never the less and not with standing I know him now and he is to be married soon to I dont know who.

Pa bought of Mr. L.Cohn on 30th of Oct 1885 4 barrells 2 sacks of baggin 4 bunch of ties 1 chair 51bs of shot 21bs of powder all of which he paid for as follows

meal 4 barrells 12.00\$
chair 1.00
baggins 10.00
ties and finds 5.00

D.B. Wade crop and hands and what he paid them to wit

Lewis Simpson 1½bails

and feed

Frank Roberson 1½

and feed

Freeman Lee 1&feed

and some seed

Roxanna Harper 1

and feed

corn ten acers 80

cotton twenty-five acers 18 bails

potato quarter ac 40 bus

potato on other patch 1 ac 20 bus

molasses one ac 50 gal peas in corn 40 bus

bottom last picking 1035

Dec 14, 1885

Red Lick Jeff. Co. to W.R. Wade

Yours of a few days ago come safely to hand and you may well know if you think enough of me to sit down and write me, I think it quite a complement, I shall answer it at my earlist convience. So cheer up and write again soon.

I put three large Barrows (or hogs) up in a eight foot pen to fatten on the 2nd day of Dec, expecting to kill and butch xmas and grind the whole one up in to sausage meat and lard. Lard they was expect to eat sausage it gun to be a sin'

I attended a party at Miss Jennies Killingsworth on the 9th of Dec. Given as a compliment to the three Miss' Jeffers, Bessie, Rebecca and Sarah from Martin. I enjoyed myself finely you bet.

I laid the walk and set out some roses and honeysuckers in Sisters flower garden yeasterday. I have been working all day today on a Mar Stone fence and finished it. I got the lime and sement from Mr. Roger Killingsworth the sand I got from the sandbank down the hill here. This is my first attempt to lay and brick and stick it with plaster or ceament, I did remarkably well for the first time Dec 11,1885 Old Rosswood

Ma says it draws splendyly and you may bet any thing ever I attempt to do it will do well.

I set out 12 pear trees out in the little patch behind the new garden on the 16th day of Dec for Pa, he paid \$10.00 for them. They come from the Georgia nursey.

I wrote Frank a letter on the 20 of Jan 1886. Frank Roberson leaving Old Rosswood on the 21 Jan 1886 (a negro)

Marshall and myself killed butchered an old sow on 1st jay Feb, weight 180 lbs meat 8¢ per lb. 188

14.40 worth of meat from one hog started to work on the wire fence McFey Feild (which is on the line of James Taylor Wade and M.R.Wade) Feb 2nd, 1886

Hog killing 4 hoges aged 18 months weight of hogs 120-136-137-199 total 556 lbs

I went to Hays city this evening to get 10 reels of barb wire Jan 25 \$50.00 1400 lbs. I also hall 250 posts with one yoke oxen, tomorrow I will hall firewood with two yoke

I planted on the 24th 75hills of water mellons and 26 hills of cantalopes, pinder, beans, peas, corn, sugar cain. all in truck patch killingly yours

Result of the planting

water mellons 0

cantalopes doubtful

pinders fine

beans 0

peas 0

corn second planting startrd

sugar cain first start

planted my water mellons over, did very well peas and beans apparently or absolutly nothing (sept 25th 1886)

Started to planting cotton yesterday, planted three acers. We planted it on the other side of sawmill bottom April 9th

we planted corn in McEy field on 24-25-26 of March

April 7, we harrowed it and it is not quite all up yet

We enclosed the stock about the 15th of March.

We at present have only one young calf, it is about two weeks old.

I got my new bedstead on April 2, the one with little round posts.

Received a letter from Uncle Bob today for the first time for 18 months, april 10

I started to milking on 10th of april, I milk six cows all with young calves Kate-Laid-Nola-Shoo fly-Rose-Pigon.

Pa sold Mr. Ritzzy of Rodney sixteen head of sheep for \$1.20 a head on the 15th of May they came to \$24.00

I wrote to Mr. Watkins on the 25th of Sept.

Marshall Wade got his Breech loading gun on the 4th of Oct. \$25.00

I carried 8233 lbs of cotton seed to Hays station on monday Feb 1st Sold to Mr. Leehman Cohn for \$6.50 per 700n. Just you wait a minute Feb 10th.

Sam Combers will cover his house next week

I started on new stable on Feb 23, 1886 four stalls made of locust stock and pine poles.

"Wait till the clouds roll by Jennie"

Pretty pond lillies
only a pansy blossom
when I was single
Before we were married
and had begun to love it
was oh my little honey
you sweet turtle dove

But now that we were married it is quite another thing tis get out you hussy, you good for nothing

Tut tar birt tes lit.

Perri (1 in in in lit.)

Ell Tirle (1 in in lit.)

Si (1 in lit.)

Si (1 in lit.)

لعدامه فأدارك بالمدار ويديرهما

Frank Roberson in acct. with Walter B. Wade

Nov 1 one dollar 1.00

Nov. one cravat .30

Dec 7 tobacco .20

Dec shoes 2.00

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Dec tobacco .60

Dec. 20 two doz apples 1.00

two doz oranges 1.20

five lbs candy 1.50

five lbs flour .40

five 1b sugar 1.00

7.70

Jimmy and Blount Wade came to Rosswood (on J.T.Wade portion of the old estate) on January 1886
Rented it from their father Dr.P.H.Wade for one year.

Tab (or Catherine) by some, broke her collar bone on the 20th Jan, 1886 She went under to see some little pups accidently but up against some thing or ranagainst something and come out crying saying her sholder hurt her. After examining it, it was discovered that her collar bone was broken. It was Catherine Wade. Her brother W.B.W

Had quite a compliment payed to me today by Miss Florine Hicks. What do you think it was, well it was as follows; "well I declare Mr Wade you finest looking gentleman I have seen lately" But she had not seen any gentleman for three wks except her two brothers Flod and Stowers Hick, Dec 14th

I went to Fayette today to pay M.R. and D.B. Wade taxes which was \$26.85. I also bought from Mr. Ramsey \$10.00 worth of Lee Count pear trees. Dec 14

I sent Marshall to Rodney to collect some money that was due to me from Mr. Chamblis for surveying on the old John Chambliss, east of the Red Lick station about six miles. Marshall did collect the amount which was \$48.50 Dec 14

Recieved 10 spools or $\frac{1}{2}$ mile of barb wire on 26th day of January. Recieved 9 spools or $\frac{1}{2}$ mile of barb wire on 1st day of Feb 1886 All the above was bought of L.Cohn \$100.

Free	man	Lee acct. with D.B. Wade
Jan	16	cash .75
11	23	tobacco .20
11	28	one bus meal 1.00
Feb	14	tobacco .20
11	16	meal bus. 1.25
11	71	101b meat 1.00
11	23	tobacco .25
Mar	1	1bus meal 1.40
**		one hat 1.25
		seap .15
		tobacco .20
	6	.20
	18	one pair pants 2.00
17 7 1 1	""2	shirts .30 apiece .60
	20	tobacco .10
	24	tobacco .25
Apr	il 2	4 Tobacco .25
		soap .10
		12,10

12.10

Sept 1886

When a man falls in love with a little turtle dove. He'll linger all around on her jaw. He'll kiss her for her sisters, for her brothers, and her mother, till her daddy comes and kicks him from the door. When a girl seveenteen, she thinks its very mean if she caint get someone for a mash. She'll pucker up her mouth with a pretty little pout and fumble under a big moustash. And if you was to kiss her neatly, and nicely and completely, if you want to kiss her so as to kiss her nice, When you go to kiss her make a dodge and miss her, and smack her on the kisser once or twice.

I sold Mr. L.Cohn two bails of cotton on 1st of Oct 1886. weighing 496 at $8\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ and the other 550 at 12¢. the last all in.

D.B.Wade in acct. with L.Cohn Feb 16 paid Cohn \$2.00 D.B.Wade in acct with L. Cohn Jan 19, 1886

Jan	19	20# coffee @.20	\$4.00
		1 bottle quinine	1.75
		10# shot @10¢#	1.00
		2# powder @25	.50
	20	cash for Frank	3.25
	28	one 1b tobacco	.65
	26	Em 1 pair shoes	1.50
Feb	2	Marshall "	1.50
	5	Empote 1 ax and 2 hand	1.40
	9	Marshall 1 hat	1,50
		1 pr leather shoes	1.50
		85 wire staples	
		Richard 1 hat	.50
		50# nails for Sam	
	10	writting paper	.10
		" pens	.25
		one bottle ink	.15

W.B.Wade acc with A. Schwartz
Feb 1 1lb smoak tobacco.65
March 24 1 lb smoke tobacco .65
chewing tobacco .60

1 doz box matches.20 tobacco .30 april 3 prs sox .45

1 hat 1.75

Feb 7 Candy .25

Feb 7 cash 1.00

I finished the stable on the 13th day of March. It is made of locust posts, pine and cypress plank. It stands in the back part of the yard and the front part of the truck patch cost of the stable

2 hands ½ day .50

1 hand four days work .2.00

2 hands one day work 1.00

4 hands one day work 2.00

25 lbs nails 8¢ lb 2.00

lumber 7.50

freight on lumber 1.96

hinges for doors .50

total cost \$17.46

We planted cotton in new ground on 13-14-15 1886, About 10 acers and 6 acers over next to George Mathers 11-12

Sept 12, 1886
BARNEY RIELY (song)
Oh my name is Barney Riely
I've a son that sets me crazy
Coming hone late a night
Singing black guard songs
And he call himself a daisy
chours
Oh he is gorn, he is gorn, he is gorn
to the divel entirely
they say he is looking for the last
Charley Ross, gall darn you
Barney Riely

Oh he come home late one night
And he broke his sisters head wid the
poker, pull out a deck of cards
And asked me to play
Peter Sanco with the joker (chorus)

Oh my son Tim is a nice young man, he has the best of manners oh he sleeps all day and he fights all night, And he calls him carring the banner (chorus)

CHALMERS SCHOOL

By accepting a kind invitation from Miss Anna P.Jones principal of Chalmers school, your correspondent found himself on June 2nd at the above names school house to witness the closing exercises of this years session. And it is but a just tribute to the teacher and pupils to state that (considering the age of the latter) a more entertaing programme could not have been arranged for such an age nor rendered in a more masterful manner.

Among the most prominent and entertaing features of the exhibtion were dialogues "The would be school teacher and the Way to Windham" rendered by Master Willy Watkins and Charley Till and the "Fashionable Boarding School" (or house) by some little gentlemen, ably assisted by Misses Lottie Wade and Ida Cox.

And also a declamation entitled "A Little Girls Temper" and Speech by Miss Ollie Bedford. The entire exhibition was a perfect sucess and reflected great credit upon the accomplished teacher and pupils. The address by the Orator of the day Rev.B.F.Lewis was highly approprate and entertaing and was listened to by the large audience with pleasure and rapt attention. Miss A.L.Arnette in a few well chosen and polished remarks presented the prizes to the students of the best average scholorship of that term.

The pleasure of the programme was greatly enhanced by being interspersed with music, both vocal and instrumental by Miss Marion Arnette who kindly consented to perform for the occasion. Among the vistors from a distance was Mr. A.L.Rumble the polished and amiable son of Capt. S.E.Rumble of Natchez who has consented to relieve the monotoney of the lives of some of his Clifton friends by making a short visit in there midst. There was a bountiful dinner spread under the leaves of the great oaks and beech that stood near by. Ice Cream and lemonade was freely distributed among the pupils and vistors.

Feb 7, 1886 Red Lick Jefferson co. Miss

Mr. R.D. Wade

Wilkins Bend La.

Why in the devel dont you wirte to me if you are going to do so. your mad friend.

Miss Carrie East Rodney Jefferson Co Dear Carrie

I heard some time ago that you expected to go to Rodney and teach. I was glad to hear of this, although it seemed a shame to see you leave this dear old neighborhood. Hope you will succeed well with your school. How many scholars hace you? I heard that you were getting \$25.00 per month, if so it is better than Miss Anna is doing. I believe she is getting on \$15.00 per month now, probly she will do better after awhile. Hope she will.

I want to go up to see Miss Emma tomorrow if the weather will permit I ought to have gone some time ago but circomestances would not allow me. Marshall going to Miss Anna now, he is very stuck on my sweet heart M.P.D. but you just ought to see I and him some times, we have it rough and tumble all over the house.

truly your ever W.B.Wade

Sept 5th 1886

Molasses made for D.B. Wade

D.B.WADE	39½ gals
R. JOHNSON	6
DAN	15
ELI BROWN	21
PRIRE JOHNSON	9
GEORGE MERRY	41/2
LEWIS MERRY	5 1
WILLIAM TILLESON	20
WHEELER GREEN	21 (6 gal raw
KITT	12
WIII	1.0

AUGUST BELTON	3 1
FRED JONES	25
EMIX MOORE	3
D.B.WADE	42
ELVIN ROSS	2 3/4
DAVE KILLINGSWORTH	
RONALS JOHNSON	56
JESSIE	
CHARLEY SCOTT	70
LEWIS MERRY	5
CHARLEY ARCHER	27
HARRY NIGHT	10
SIMSON MASON	12
ELVIN ROSS	8
recieved from for D.B. Wade	Sept 8th
Johnson 1½	Simson Mason
Dave Killingsworth 3½	Elvin Ross 2
Brown 54	D.B.Wade 42
P. Johnson 21	
george Merry 1½	
L.Merry 1 1/3	
William Tilleson 5	
Green Wheeler 4½	
Kitt 3	
August Belton 1½	
Fred Jones 61	
E Moore 3/4	
Florin Bogg 1	
Elvin Ross ½	

3

Dave Killingsworth, Ronals Johnson, Jessie 14
C. Scott 17½
Lewis Merry 1½
c. Archer 26 3/4
Melton Walters 6½

Harry Night 21/2

Oct. 7,1886

Dear Uncle Bob, I received your letter a day or two ago, telling me how you were fixed, I only wish I could make sum money.

Sept 27, 1886
LITTLE WIDOW DUNN
There is a charming little widow
And she keeps a candy shoppe
Where the children buy their chewing gum
She sells taffy for a penny
And her name is on the door.
Oh there is music in the name of Widow Dunn
(second part I dont know)

Way out on the ocean blue

Far on the briny deep

The tadpole wiggles his tail

Till he wiggles himself to sleep

Oh why does he wiggle his tail

Till he wiggles him self to sleep

Because he wiggles his tail

Till the tears role down his cheek

CHORUS

tom a diddle da-do-do-to-do ta do etc.

gathered 175 bushels of corn on 1-4 out of the bottoms. 216 total

EULA M. WADE

Daughter of Cordelia and Ben Y. Wade, Died April 15, 1886. She was born at Prospect Hill in the year 1869 (I think). Here she lived until she became eight years old. When about this time her parents moved to Frogmore, a planation near Bidellia La. Here was her home until she went to Natchez to enter a high school where she remained until she was brought away as a corpse. She died just one week after she was taken sick with neaumoies (pneumonia?) but palpations of the heart was the fatal stroke.

She was buried at Prospect Hill April 16, 6oclock 1886. She was highly loved by all who knew her.

Lovingly her cousin Walter B. Wade

This ends the first book or Journal of Walter B. Wade. I have left most of the miss spelt words for the reader to figgure out. If it seems a little disjoined at times please remember these were his thoughts day by day as he lived his life.