

28. The young Hound Bitch Chaunter was lined by Lord Fairfax's Rockwood (who appears to have the Mange) twice this day.
Got over my Corn in the Neck with the Plows the 3d. time.
29. Chaunter again lined by Rockwood. The black bitch Countess appeard to be going proud, was shut up in order to go to the same Dog.
30. Chaunter lined again—by Rockwood.

[August]

Where & how—my time is—spent—

Augt. 1st. Set out from Chs. Wests. Dined at Snickers and got to Mr. W[arne]r Washington's abt. 5 O'clock.

Edward Snickers (d. 1791) settled at a site near Buck Marsh Run in Frederick (now Clarke) County, where he later built his home, Springfield. Snickers' Gap in the Blue Ridge Mountains was named after him. Warner Washington was living in Frederick (now Clarke) County, probably on the 3,000-acre plot he purchased in 1770 from his brother-in-law, George William Fairfax. On this land was built Warner's home, Fairfield, a few miles northwest of Snickers's ordinary.

2. Remained there all day. Mr. Washington returned from Winchester in the Afternoon.

3. At Mr. Washington's all this day also.

4. Still at Mr. Washington's. Mr. Thurston & Lady dining there. Note I was detained this day & yesterday by the Waggon's which had my Goods in for the springs loosing 2 Hs.

After stopping at Mount Vernon in mid-February of 1768, Thruston had attended the March meeting of the Frederick Parish vestry, Frederick County, where he offered to take the vacant rectorship. The vestry, having given Walter Magowan nine months to take orders, asked Thruston to come back in November. In May 1768 Thruston bought more than 1,000 acres of land in Frederick (now Clarke) County, located between Snickers' Gap and Warner Washington's home, Fairfield. Thruston returned to the Frederick Parish vestry in Nov. 1768, accepted an offer of the rectorship, and resigned his post in Petsworth Parish, Gloucester County, the following month. His "Lady" was Ann Alexander Thruston, his second wife, whom he had married in 1766.