

## Currants

1739 February 24 (Saturday). Ensign Maynard brought up a Present from Brother Elias containing a considerable Variety. Scil. Chocolat, Flower, Raisins, Currants, Spices, Limes and Several sorts of Bisketts. Lowery thawing Weather.

1745 June 27 (Thursday). People report here for the Fruits of my Garden. Cherry and Currants.

1748 June 17 (Friday). Cherrys and Currans [*sic*] begin to be prey'd upon.

1751 March 8 (Friday). N.B. one of our Geese, instead of Setting, was found Dead near the Currant Bushes -- when open'd we found her Eggs were broke within her.

1751 June 21 (Friday). Sarah Sick -- no doubt by eating Currans and Cherrys

1760 July 7 (Monday). P.M. Young Mrs. *Baker* and her sisters, Miss *Lavinia* and *Molly* make a Visit here and 4 or 5 more young persons for the Sake of the Currants.

1761 April 18 (Saturday). My Boys have been over to t'other place to set out Apple-Trees, and Weed the Currant Bushes. They also brought some Trees and sat 'em.

1764 July 11 (Wednesday). After Lecture Mr. Bowman, Dr. Crosby, Mrs. Maynard, Mrs. Tainter, Mrs. Hannah Rice, drink Tea -- many Visitants to the Currants.

1764 October 20 (Saturday). Bid Adieu to my good Friend and Brother *Green* and his. Mr. Williams and I (as requested) dine at Coll. *Otis's*. N.B. His Barn -- Drills -- Onions -- 420 Bush from 135 Rod of Ground -- 90 Bush from 19 Rods. His Wine of Currants -- Cyder -- made better by this method -- viz. Draw it off in March, before the Bud Swells; put in 2 oz. of Pulverized Allum, in a pint of West India Rum -- and break in 2 Cakes of Gingerbread. We arrive at Sandwich at Eve, and lodge at Mr. Williams's.

1766 July 9 (Wednesday). [Marginal notation, partly obscured: Sarah makes 5 Gallons of Currant Wine.]

1770 July 23 (Monday). P.M. *Dr. Hawes*, his Wife, Child and neece here on a Visit. Currants have been agreeable, perhaps, to them and brought them.