

William Beatty (1806–1897)

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February	1	Ad went to Perth with Bruce McNiel for to look for a horse he Sold one of his Malcoms drew 2 loads of wood left 1 home took the other to the road
2		Revd Mr McClean preached this morning for us & at night for the Methodists Hugh McKay took him to Fairfax
	3	I went with Mr McMullan along Mr McClean to see Mr Darling he is some better Malcom drew 1 load here to the road
	4	Malcom drew 1 load home & 1 to the road I took care of the cattle fine day
	5	Malcom went to the woods drew 2 loads of wood 1 home 1 to the road the Revd Mr Greacey moderated in a Call in the church for Mr Matthews it was unanimous all the members & adherents Signed the call there was a missionary meeting at night the church was well filled the Collection was \$5.30
	6	Malcom drew only one load to the road fine day

	7	Malcom drew 1 load here he cut wood for me in the afternoon I expect the horses to go to Claton ran a load of Mr Matthews Furniture if Ad comes home
	8	Ad did not come home Malcom did nothing for us the horses was in the Stable all day Ad & Bruce got home at night they got a horse at Almount {Almonte}
9		Ad took Mr Hutchins to Fairfax this morning there was very few Revd Mr Garrat preached in the morning Mr Matthews at night
	10	Billie got some Ash stuff at the road got it to the Mill for to be planed & grove & tongue
	11	Stormy day snow & rain Ad & Malcom went to the 6 concession for to get out some logs
Billie & Jennet went to Gananoque to a tea meeting	12	Billie got the Stuff up from the Mill still Storming there is quite a crust on the Snow
Revd Mr Thompson came here on the Express	13	Billie made the Stairs down the Sellar way hung the doors on the woodshed & Sellar way
	14	Stormed some of the Staving around the kitchen

	15	he worked at the kitchen all this week Ad & Malcom came home from the 6 con they got in 50 logs cold weather with some Snow last night and today
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February 16		the Revd Mr {illegible} preached this morning no one came to take him to Fairfax Mr Garrat preached evening
	17	I cut wood & atended to the cattle Ad & Malcom worked at the road cold day
	18	I cut wood in the forenoon Malcom cut wood fine in the afternoon I fixed Ads harness in the afternoon
Mrs Barns Ida came home	19	Malcom & me cleaned up the Buck wheat & peas in the New Barn this morning Malcom thrashed peas that we got from Bruce McNiel {illegible}
	20	I went to Kingston with Hugh McKay on the Morning Express for to see Revd J G Smith in our church afairs came home on the 3.10 Express all well Ad & Malcom went to the 6 Concession to work
	21	Albert came last night to for Mr Barnes & Ida they went to Delta this morning the Revd Hugh Thompson went to Glenrail on the Mixed to night very cold time Watt & Charley went home the roads is bad

	22	I have a pain in my side can do nothing Ad and Malcom came home from the Chanty
23		Revd Mr Garrat preached this morning Mr Matthews at night Mr Matthews went to Fairfax with Hugh McKays horse
	24	Ad & Malcom helped Bruce to Saw wood at home they then went to Wms Ad went to Gananoque in the afternoon
	25	they finished Sawing at Wm McNiel's Malcom came home before night & cut Some wood for me the Revd Hugh Thompson came on the Express from Glenvail & Harrowsmith where he preached last Sabbath
Snow {rest illegible}	26	Malcom cut wood in the woodshed Ad & Malcom went to the 6th concession to draw
	27	Wat came for to run a line for Wm. McNiel Saw logs fine day the roads very heavy we got a telegram for Ad this morning I took it to him he had gone to the line I did not see him
	28	Ad & Malcom went to the 6 con to draw sawlogs

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March	1	Ad & Malcom brought home a load of wood at night I can do nothing my Side the pain so bad I have put on three mustard plasters on this week
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2		Revd Mr Matthews preached this morning Mr Garrat at night
	3	Ad put the harness on the colts this afternoon for the first he took them to the road Malcom went to the 6 concession banked out wood brought a load home at night
	4	Malcom went for wood this morning brought 1 load for himself Stormed in the afternoon he did not go back
	5	Ad & Malcom went to the 6 con to draw logs fine day
	6	Ad came home with a load of Cedar posts he had 40 he got them in Leeds across Sand Bay
	7	Ad went to the 6th con drew 18 ash logs for fence Stuff
	8	Ad brought home 70 Cedar posts he took them to the road Malcom came home with him fine day
9		Revd Mr Garrat preached this morning Mr Matthews at night
	10	Ad brought out the horsepowr & sawed what wood we had the wood Shed is filled Ad had his horses helping him Wallace teamed warm day the Snow is setteling fast Ad took the horsepowr up to Ab after we finished here

	11	Malcom Split wood here all day there is no traveling on the roads they are So Soft the horses slumps off
	12	Malcom & me cleaned the peas in the New Barn that Ad got from Bruce for seed had 9 bushel he is thrashing Some of the old ones fine day cleaned {illegible} had five bushel they are only fit for feed
	13	Ad & Malcom went to Shanty for to get out Stuff for fence Keen Frost last night
	14	I took care cattle 2 lambs came & died they were very weak cannot Stand up
	15	blustering day Snow & wind Ad brought home a load of ceader pickets
16		Revd Mr Matthews preached this morning Mr Garrat at night I went with Mr Matthews he had his own horse
	17	Ad & Malcom out to the Shanty for to get out logs pet cow a calf this morning very Stormy day wind & Snow

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March	18	Ad went to J Starks Sale bought a Cotsworth Ram for \$8.50 he two in the Spring Malcom is banking out
	19	Ad brought the Ram here the White cow calved last night

	20	Ad brought out the Chester boar here I went with Mr Matthews to Mr Kinkers & Mr Darlings he is no worse he thinks that his toe is better fine day
	21	Ad went to Delta with a load tanbark Malcom went out to the shanty with Bruce yesterday
	22	Ad took another load of bark to day to Delta I attended the cattle and other chores
23		Revd Mr Garrat preached this morning Mr Matthews at night
	24	Malcolm brought a load of wood from the 6 Con this forenoon a load of Cedar pickets in the afternoon Ad left them a Sumons when the road was bad very Stormy in the afternoon Snow & rain
	25	I went to Kingston on the Express for to Presbytery with the call for the Revd Algrenan Mathews
	26	
about 4 inches snow last night	27	got home on the Mixed this morning there was a large attendance of members at the Presbytry Mr Mathews accepted & the Induction is to take place on the 8th of April at ten oclock in the forenoon the Revd Mr Greacey is to Preach Mr Gallacher is to adress people & Mr & Willson the Minister

	28	I took care of the cattle cold day
	29	Snow and rain most of the day Ad & Malcom came home from the chantry
30		I went Fairfax this afternoon for to read the Elect for the Induction of the Revd Mr Mathews I read it here in the morning Mr Garrat preached at night the roads is very bad
	31	Malcom came and drew dung to the north field in the afternoon got the horse shod in the forenoon at Lattimers he is drawing with the slaugh

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April	1	Malcolm is drawing dung Billie came from Delta with the cutter the roads are bad Hirhan Kaforta came with him
	2	Malcom drawing dung Jennet went to Kingston on the Express Mary Jane McNiel went with her they are going to RevdMr McPhersons on a visit fine cold day
	3	Malcolm is drawing dung I took care of cattle
	4	Do {Ditto} Do Do Do
	5	Do{Ditto} Do Do Do
6		RevdMr Matthews preached at Fairfax I went with him & read the Edict for the Induction Wm Cornett took us

		up with the Slaugh Mr Garnet preached this morning Mr Matthews at I read the Edict
	7	Malcom drew dung I took care of the cattle {illegible} the Revd Mr Greacey at the Station he came for the Induction
	8	I met Revd Messers Willson & Chamber & Gallacher at the station Mr Gallaher preached Mr Greacey adressed the Minister Revd Mr Algrenan Matthews Mr Willson there was a good meeting fine day Malcolm finished drawing the dung here he then went to the road to draw there the Dittch
	9	2 year old Calved the morning and the Bradley cow Billie went to Delta
	10	Stormy day Snow and wind & very cold with hard frost
	11	very Cold wind North with little Snow & drift
	12	fine day but cold Ad Sowed about 1 1/2 bushel of Fall Rye on Ridges the center East End North it is for paster
13		Revd Mr Matthews preached this morning Mr Garret at night
	14	Billie came from Delta to day cold day
	15	Malcom Split wood in the shed all day I fixed the partition of the little room in the shed

	16	Ad & Malcom went to Shanty to cut wood
	17	Cold backward time trying to get a horse started it is hard frozen yet
	18	worked a little at the hotbed & let some water of the potato ground cold backward time Ad and Malcom is at the chanty

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April	19	Ad and Malcom came home from the shanty this afternoon they had a fine time for work
20		the Revd Mr Garrat preached this morning & Mr Matthews at night
	21	Wallace & Malcom went out to the shanty & to draw in some logs that is at the mill they have begun to saw Wallace want to get his Seed Sowed
	22	I had to make out a list of the connects to me on the Liquor cases for Mr Fields fine dry time
	23	Wallace came home from the sawmill he got all his lumber sawed he brought 4 peices of ash for big wheel rims fine day roads is good
	24	Ad went to the Sawmill to get in logs for Macleans house

	25	Ad came home from the sawmill he got all done that he wanted & brought the straping for the kitchen and some other Stuff
	26	I sowed cabbage seed and Tomattos in the hot bed I could not get it ready sooner I took the covering of the Strabery bed and planted some crepers at the church
27		Revd Mr Matthews preached this morning Mr Garrat at night fine day
	28	Malcom spread dung at the Road most of the day came home in the afternoon & spread dung in the North East field & helped me to kill a calf at night fine day
	29	Malcolm finished Spreading dung in the field I got 5 cents for the hind quarters and 4 for the forequarters its weight 50 lbs
	30	Ad sowed 8 bushel of oats at the road in the bush field he got the seed here we cleaned up 6 bushel more they are out of the seed that he got at Perth last year

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May	1	rain and Snow this forenoon the snow {illegible}to cover the ground all white {illegible} Ad was home with the teams they have the plow cutter working
	2	Malcom fixing up the fence along the side Road & North end in the forenoon we fixed around the

		frount P{illegible} in the afternoon {rest of entry illegible}
	3	Malcom was out at the road I fixed some of the Straberrys fine drying day the ground is wet yet
4		Revd Mr Garret preached this morning Mr Matthews at night
	5	Ad took the Boar out to the road this morning Malcom worked out there I attend a meeting at Mr Matthews
	6	Malcom & me worked out the garden lane fence from the ditch so as to Sink or bore holes he bored some holes & then he dug
	7	Malcom Spaded a peice of a ridge for more Straberrys I planted it with potatos & planted the garden
	8	Ad began to sow & sowed {illegible} Bushels of fall Rye on the North half of the East Midel field it is for paster
	9	Sowed 5 bushels of peas & 9 bushels of oats & barley in the north half of the West Midle they are working the 4 Colts & the Blacks I went to the funeral of Miss Clear She was Buired in Robinsons burying ground there was 90 teams Revd Mr Matthews preached

	10	they finished the field & cleaned out the {illegible}
11		Revd Mr Matthews preached this morning & Mr Garret at night
	12	I sowed 3 bushels of wheat in the field front at night
	13	they plowed where the Beets {rest of entry illegible}
{illegible marginal notes}	14	{illegible} & draged in some oats & Barley they worked at the Same field I planted {illegible}
	15	fine rain last night nothing done this forenoon
	16	they plowed draged & raked in the Buck wheat field fine growing
	17	worked in the same field Ad had George Lattimers horses to day instead {rest of entry illegible}

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May 18		Mr Garrat preached this morning Mr Matthews at night
	19	they finished the plowing and sowing here to Day he has sowed 3 1/2 bushel of oats & Barley in all 1 1/2 bushel of wheat in the field where the potatos was

		last year Ad draged & raked the garden it was plowed too wet
	20	Ad worked the 3 teams at the road in the big field south of side warm day I went to a meeting at Dickes Hall for a pair delagates to go the Convention at Delta on the 22nd it was the most shamefull act of packing that I ever saw there was a {illegible} of Websters of 20 that did all
	21	they are all working at the road in South field Ad went to Delta this afternoon Ellen went with him to Lizies she is very poorly he is going to get potatoes for seed he had one of Bruces horses
	22	Wallace & Malcom plowed &draged at the Road
	23	Ad came home last night with 13 bushel of potatos he paid 50 cents per bushel Jenny had a colt this forenoon there quite a frost this morning
	24	they all worked at the Road got all Sowed
25		Revd Mr Matthews preach this morning
	26	Wallace & Malcom scattting the Buckwheat straw in the field that is come of the we fixed up the North cross fence
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June 1		Revd Mr Garrat preached this morning Mr Matthews at night
	2	Malcom was out at the road in the forenoon in the afternoon helping Wallace and me to mix mortar for his house
	3	Malcom was out to the road I helped Wallace to day
	4	Malcolm bored holes for the lain fence
	5	Malcom plowed at the raod I was at the Election at the station voted for Richardson fine day
	6	I helped to clean the church Mr Thompson Wm A Cornett & A Cornett did it heavy rain most of the day
	7	Malcom helped Wallace at the building of his celler Revd Mr Matthews preached this afternoon we had a Congregational Meeting we apointed Wm A Cornett Treasure and Wm Thompson & Wm A Cornett auditory
8		Revd Mr Matthews preached & held the Communion there was a large meeting the church was full 49 partook of the Communion that had taken there was that had no taken
	9	Ad & Malcom planted some corn at the road
	10	Malcom worked at the road I planted 50 Tomato plants fine rain last night and to day

	11	Malcom & Ad worked at there potatos ground {singing?} & picking rocks & draging I atend and arbaitration on our dividing our School Section
	12	I went to the Road and droped potatos for Malcom & Ad he furrowed out fine rain to day
	13	Ad and me finished planting his potatos they are in the Swamp next the road that they cleaned up
	14	Ad planted corn in the same place I went with Mr Matthews to see Mr Darling he is very bad his tows and the Side of his foot is all black
15		Revd Mr Garrat preached this morning and Mr Matthews at night there was a Steady rain all day
	16	we worked on the roads Malcolm & the horses Ad & me drew stones out of our woods put them between Taylors corner & our first ditch
	17	went to the funeral of Mrs Cruthers Revd Mr Garrat preached in the Church it was filled So that there seats nor room for very many & some out Side She was buired at Robinson there between 50 & 60 teams I took the Pall Bearers

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June	18	Ad finished our Road work Malcom cultivated the {weeds?} back of the barn with the wheeled cultivator wanting to put turnips in it very weedy Billie brought Jennet home Lizzie is a little better
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	19	Malcom plowed in the field back of the Barn Billie {worked of the Children?} fine day
	20	Malcom finished the plowing & then drew ashes from the ashery & spread 2 loads on a Ridge
	21	Malcom Drew ashes to the field that he plowed
22		Revd Matthews preached this morning Mr Garrat at night
	23	Malcom draged the 5 ridges that he had put ashes on & then ridged them with the horses for Turnips & the forenoon he drew ashes in the afternoon & worked on the roads he went to Mallorytown got the Colts Shod & got the Turnip drill from Rob to Sow the turnips with Revd Mr Green the Bible Agent gave a lecture on the Spanish Armedia in the church there was a good atend.
	24	Malcom drew Ashes I was with him all day he was here all night we took dinner at Mr Matthews
	25	Ad raked Some of the rows or drills and Some of the with Rennies Prizie Swede Purple top
	26	Sowed the remainder Rennies turnip seed 2 lbs began at the East fence & came west within 3 rows of the maple tree then we Sowed 2 rows of Waites Eclipse purple top Hybrid a little rain at 11 oclock I went a Strawberry festival in Show ground of Church of England

	27	Sowed nearly 1/2 lb of the Waites Hybrid then 1 row of the Red Surrey carrot then Some Sugar Beets & Suttons Champion P.T Swedes on the {illegible} of the peice part of the ground is very ruff
	28	Malcom went through the potatos with the Cultivator & howed the potatos I lathed some in the house
29		Revd Mr Garrat preached this morning & Mr Matthews at night
	30	howed in the garden I lathed part of the day & Sifted plaster & ashes & mixed them to put on the turnips part of them is up & the Black fly is taking them

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July	1	Malcom put the ashes & plaster on the turnips this morning 29 rows there was a heavy Dew & fog I went to a Sabbath School Selebration at Dulcimain there was larger gathering Revd Messrs Horton Garrat & Bail & McQuague & several other preachers
	2	Malcom cultivated in the garden I lathed in the Kitchen fine day very dry
	3	Malcom & me run off lime for plastering the house expeck Hugh McKay the last of the week
	4	Malcom hoed in the garden Ad & Wallace lathed over head in the kitchen I am not doeing much
	5	I lath the Seller way Ad went for his grist to Gananoque that he took up on thursday

6		Revd Mr Matthews preached this morning Mr Garrat at night
a little rain this pm	7	Hugh McKay came & plastered the Kitchen all hands was at work we took the plaster of the Kitchen overhead it was a hard job had for to take apart of the lath Hugh got the first coat on it all except {illegible}
	8	Hugh went over it all this morning we all then went to Strawberry festivall for our church in the Agricul Hall the Escott Band was up
	9	Malcom & me run of lime for a puttie coat Ad commenced to mow in the midle field South half of it the north half is in peas & oats
	10	Malcom & Wallace hoed potatos out at the road Ad mowed finished the midle field & began the north field
	11	Hugh put the puttie coat on the front room Malcom & Wallace hoed at the road
	12	Malcom hoed in the forenoon Wallace {illegible} the midle field in the forenoon they {illegible} loads put them in the New Barn & put up {illegible} Ad mowed some in the orchard
13		Revd Mr Garrat preached this morning Mr Matthews at night

	14	Hugh put the puttie coat on the Kitchen they drew in 3 loads of the Southfield Ad finished cutting the orchard
	15	Hugh finished the celler this forenoon Ad mowed at the road

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July	16	Ad went to Gananoque for Tinie McIntosh & Helen Smith they are coming on the Boat from Toronto Bessie went with him fine day Malcom mowed in the orchard raked up they drew in the afternoon after Ad came home they had 15 loads of it it was a good crop
	17	they all worked at the hay at the road I am bad with my eyes
	18	Do {Ditto} Do Do they finished cutting there
Aunt Lill brought {illegible} home	19	they raked & drew in 5 loads fine dry day
	20	Revd Mr Matthews preached this morning Mr Garrat at night
	21	they drew in the last of the hay this forenoon at the Road Ad came & cut the old house field the rest of them hilled the potatoes at the road

	22	they all raked & cocked up what they could of the hay in the old house side till it rained then they went to the road expect Ad he mowed in the North east field there is not much rain it is much needed
	23	they all worked at the potatos at the road
	24	they fine had the hoeing very heavy rain at noon fine afternoon
	25	they raked & drew in 3 loads from the north field loads from the old house field it is a fine crop
	26	they cut the fall wheat and bound & Stacked it Wallace Jo Stone Malcom & Henery Webster Man raked & bound & drew 2 loads Wallace went to Young with Hellen Smith from the old house Wm McIntosh and Jennet fine day for work
27		Revd Mr Garrat preached this morning and Mr Matthews at night
Sold the Black mairs for \$120	28	Ad cut the field East of the Barn & they raked & dew in 3 loads I went with Mr Matthews to see Mr Darling he is very poorly his mind wanders very much he prepared to who the Lord call he says the will of the Lord be done
	28	Ad & Malcom drew in 2 loads of hay from the field East of the Barn that finish our hay it is good

	29	Ad & Wallace & Malcom Ab McNiel to Ab McNiels to cut a field that Wallace got from him
	30	they worked at Abs
	31	they drew in the fall wheat had seven loads Malcom worked at the turnips

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August	1	Malcom is working at the turnips {illegible} Wallace is drawing home the hay from {illegible}
	2	Billie came last night him & Ad & Wallace worked at Wallace house Malcom worked at the turnips
3		Revd Mr Matthews preach this morning Mr Garrat at night
	4	Billie & Dan Davison worked at the {illegible} Ad & Wallace helped Malcom worked at the turnips dry time
	5	they all worked at the except Malcom he worked at turnips
	6	Do {Ditto} Do Do Do Do Do
	7	Do {Ditto} Do Do
	8	Billie & Dan went home last night Ad & Wallace worked at the house boarding up the Sides Billie &

		Dan got the rafters on & the roof boarded & the girths for the doors & windows all in before they left Malcom worked at the Turnips he had Bruces old Maire went through them
	9	Ad & Wallace went out to the road to cut oats there Malcom worked at the Turnips they are doing well
10		Revd Mr Garrat preached this morning Mr Matthews at night
	11	they all worked at the road at the oats they had to cradle the most of them Ad brock the reaper they drew in what was cut on Saturday there was a little Shower last night
	12	Malcom & Wallace began to hook the peas they are good crop Ad & Bruce has been getting the Reaper fixed Jennie & Mary Jane McNiel went to Gananoque to meet Mrs Smith
	13	Ad & Wallace Drew in 3 loads of peas & hook more Malcom was not hear his Wife is sick
	14	Ad got the oats in the midle field Wallace & Malcom finished hooking the peas & they drew them in had 3 loads that is 6 in all fine day
	15	Ad cut the Spring wheat in the field below the house this forenoon Wallace is binding it Malcom {illegible} Malcom came in the afternoon they Stoaked the wheat & drew 2 loads of oats from the midle field

	16	they drew 4 loads oats Alexander Cornett helped Ad 2 & him 2 it then began to rain & rain all day & most of the night
17		Revd Mr Matthews preached this morning Mr Garrat at night there was very few & Still raining

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August	18	Bessie came from Delta this morning she is going to Glentay with Jennet & Minnie Malcom is not working his Wife is Sick Ad is looking for a horse
	19	Ad cut some of the oats in the south field the thrashers came this afternoon it is a new machin Wm & Dan {illegible} fine day after the rain
	20	they thrashed the fall wheat & had 70 bushels they think there is a good deal of straw & chaff in it then they 120 bushel of oats Dan Cowan Bruce McNiel helped with there horses
	21	Ad Wallace & Malcolm turned over the oats & got in 2 loads of oats they are too wet cleaned up bushel of oats & took to the mill the rest home for feed for the horses
	22	heavy rain last night & this morning no work Wallace & Ad went to the Sawmill at the creek they brought home a load of boards & then turned over the grain in 2 small loads

	23	they drew in 5 loads of oats & 1 load of wheat it was a fine drying day the Revd Mr Nicholson came down from Kingston on a visit
24		Revd Mr Houston preached in the Ornghall this morning Mr Matthews at night
I went to see Mr Darling with Mr Nicholson he is no better	25	Ad cut the Spring wheat in the East field below the barn Bessie & Jennet went Glentay to see Ellen
	26	Ad cut the oats at home Malcom worked at the turnips
	27	Ad & Malcolm drew in a load of from the East field in the forenoon then went to the road & drew in oats Bessie & Jennet came home from Glentay last night
	28	Ad went to Glentay to by a horse he went on the Express this afternoon all our horses {illegible} is down Malcom is seeing to the Wife She is Sick
	29	Malcom is thrashing at Henery Webster's
	30	I went to Escott to {illegible} Whites got the colt shod all round paid him four dollars Ad owed him for Shoeing the last time I then went to Young with Jennie She is going to Farmersville to school Stopt at {illegible}

	31	I went to Caintown& heard the Revd Mr {illegible}
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Sept	1	I took Jennie to Farmersville the School is full She cannot get in till next term I got home at night all well
	2	Malcom is not doing anything the two last days
	3	Malcom worked at the turnips for I am doing neather heavy rain last night some storms to day
	4	Ad got home to day he has got a fine heavy horse Six years old he gave \$100 dollars for him
	5	Ad began to plow in the centre field North end
	6	Ad is plowing I helped Wallace to make a place to mix his grout for the house Malcom went at the {turnips?}
7		Revd Mr Belemy preached this morning Mr Matthews at night
	8	Malcom helped Wallace to get greand & to fill up where the water had run away the old road there was a good many shower through the day Ad plowed
	9	Ad is plowing Malcom is at the turnips
	10	I went to Delta this morning with the Charlie colt & Buggy acted as Judge on Sheep Stopped at Watts Lizie

		is so well that Billie took her out in the Buggy there was a good show of everything
	11	got home this evening I brought Jessie and Phila home Hiram Laforta came with me he is going to work with Shields Malcom is plowing Ad is Sick
rain	12	Malcom finished the North half of the midle field where the peas & oats was he then draged it
	13	Malcom finished the draging & then he began to draw ashes from the Ashery to it he drew 3 loads put that on one ridge I fell & hurt my arm & can do nothing it is so sore
14		Revd Mr Matthews preached this morning Mr {illegible} at night
	15	Malcom is drawing ashes he drew 8 loads Ad helped to load fine day
	16	Malcom drawing loads of Ashes Ad helped to load
	17	Malcom is drawing he drew loads I went to Meeting in the church the Revd Mr Greasie of Gananoque was there it was concerning the Home Mission grant very few there
	18	Bruces Man & team helped them to draw they drew loads of ashes Ad went to Mr Fergusons and got a load {rest of line illegible}

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Sept	19	Alexander Cornett and Bruces man thrashing {illegible} is helping to draw {illegible} Malcom {illegible} Bruces Man drew 4 he draged in the afternoon
	20	Ad drilled in the North half of the midle field I drilled across the ridges Bruces draged in the forenoon
21		the Revd Mr Garrat preached in the morning Mr Matthews
	22	Ad run the plow in the fall wheat this forenoon Malcom thrashed peas in the forenoon then cleaned out the furrows of the fall wheat in afternoon Ad drew gravel for Wallace
	23	Malcom thrashed peas Ad began to plow at the road
	24	I went to the funeral of Major Johnston he was buired at the Union Church Revd Mr Huston preached he was assisted by the Revd Mr Carrol there 58 teams the church was full Malcom helped Wallace to grut fine day rain in the morning
	25	Malcom helped Wallace to grout Ad is plowing at the road it is for fall wheat
	26	Malcom helped Wallace to grout Ad is rolling & draging for to fine the land for the wheat then he come for the drill to Sow it he had an old Mair of Bruces She got Scared at the cars & run away brock the drill & spran his ankle so that he can do nothing

	27	Wallace & Malcom put in the wheat fine day they then drew gravel
28		the Revd Mr Matthews this morning Mr Follock preached at night
	29	Malcolm is not working Ad went to Gananoque for for{illegible}
	30	Malcom is not working his Wife is sick I went to Kingston on the Express to the Presbytery the a large atendance of Minister & Elders the Revd Mr Burton of Bellvile gave up his charge and is going to Toronto to a Congregational Church there I stopt at Cilia hotel

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October	1	Atended Presbytry they did not get through till after Express time stoped at the Cilia hotel
{illegible marginal notes}	2	I acted as Judge in {illegible} & Agriculture stock at the Midland Fair it was a good success some fine Stock fine roots {illegible} grapes in fact everything was good got home on the midnight Express
{illegible marginal notes}	3	Malcom helped Wallace to grute his house very warm dry time I got wood & other chores
	4	Ad & Malcom is puting out dung on the wheat at the Road very dry time

5		Revd Mr Huston preached this morning Mr Matthews at night
	6	Billie & Dan came to work at Wallaces house Ad helped them Malcom drew dung to the wheat at the road
	7	Ad helped Billie at the house Malcom drew dung
	8	Malcom began to dig the potatos Ad & Wallace helped Billie at the house Wallace got home from Brockville last night he was there as a witness Billie went home to Delta this afternoon
	9	Malcom is diging potatos Tom Coslow is helping Ad Wallace & Bruce is Shingling Malcom & Coslow is diging potatoes they are a good crop
	10	Malcom brought out a load of potatos 20 bushel Ad & Wallace finished Shingling the South Side of the house very dry time
	11	Malcolm & Ad brought another load of potatos 20 bushel they are all diging to day Jennet & Jenie went to Gananoque they finished diging the potatos they are a good crop
12		the Revd Mr Matthews preached this morning Mr Garrat at night
	13	Malcom draged the potatos ground & gathered up the small potatos & the topes very dry time

		Ad & Wallace worked at the house Billie & Dan came out to day David & Vive came from Parry Sound
	14	Malcom drew wood from our own bush it is old wood they all worked that is Ad Wallace Billie & Dan
	15	work Same as yesterday David & Vive went to Delta with Jack {illegible}
	16	Do {Ditto} Do Do
	17	Malcom helped Wm McNiel to thrash Ad & Wallace Shingled

1879

Oct	18	a little rain this morning Malcom drew a load of wood for his Brother Johns in the forenoon he drew sand for the sistren in afternoon
19		Revd Mr Garrat preached this morning Matthews at night
	20	Malcom drew gravel to the Stable grout
	21	Malcom drew 1 load of wood from the sixth concession to the Road
	22	Malcom Sand to the garden at where the Straburys is going to be planted

	23	Malcom drew a load of wood to the Road from the sixth consession the roads is good
	24	Hugh McKay came this morning to plaster the cistern the water lim that Ad got was land plaster he got a barrel from H. McKay at Westons he then went to Gananoque & got one for him Hugh finished the cistren after dinner he says it is a fine job Malcom & me atended him Ad took Jinne to Farmersville to school Mis Douset went with them
	25	Malcom drew 2 loads of wood from the 6th consession left one here & took one to the Road
26		Revd Mr Matthews preached this morning Mr Garrat at night
	27	Ad began to plow at the road Malcom is husking corn there there has been Some very cold days with hard frost so that the pipes is burst & they have stoped making cheese on Saturday
	28	Malcom finished husking the corn at the Road Ad is plowing the ground is very dry
	29	Malcom helped me to grout the stable David &Vive came from Delta Billie brought a horse from Mr Lain at Lyn for David to take home with him he paid {illegible} for him
	30	David &Vive went home on this afternoon he sent the horse away this morning {rest of entry illegible}

	31	Malcom & me grouted part of the stable in the forenoon I went to Gananoque with Wallace {rest of entry illegible} cold
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1879

Nov put the cows in at night most time	1	Malcolm & me finished the grouting the North east end of the Stable Ad went to Gananoque with a load of turnips he got 30 cents per bushel Malcom thrashed some peas in the afternoon
2		Revd Mr Houston preached this morning Mr Matthews at night
	3	Malcom thrashed peas Snowed & blowed most of the day & the snow is about 3 inches that is the first to by we had the cows in all day
	4	Malcom & me finished grouting the Stable got a good job done on it Ad went to the Sawmill Ad drew in some of his logs brought a load of Stuff home
	5	Malcom did not come to work Ad went to Sawmill drew in his logs cold day
	6	No Malcolm yet Ad went to Sawmill they are Sawing
	7	No Malcom yet Ad went to the Sawmill they are Sawing his Stuff
	8	a little rain last night Snow all gone this morning No Malcom yet Ad & me pulled Turnips in the

		forenoon Wallace & Ad finished the pulling of the Turnips covered them with Straw for fear of frost I went to the Church Mr Matthews preached fine warm day the turnips is a good crop
9		the Revd Mr Matthews preached the church was filled full it was Communion Sabbath 59 Members partook a number of Athens persons belonging to other churches
	10	Ad went for Appels to Rockport No Malcom
	11	Ad plowed at the Road I mended his boots & got some wood
	12	Tom Coslow & me topped turnips Ad plowed at the road little rain
let the Ram out to day	13	heavy rain last night Wallace & topped & drew 5 loads of turnips to the cellar {illegible} plowed in field below the turnip piece
	14	Ad plowed in the forenoon Wallace in the afternoon Ad took 20 bushels of turnips to the Station Sold them for 30 cents per bushel put 2 loads in our cellar & he took a load home fine day
	15	heavy rain & wind last night most of the day no work done

1879

Nov 16		no meeting Revd Mr Matthews went to Morton to Preach and the Revd Mr Garrat preached
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	17	Wallace plowed in the middle field it is sod the Stubble is too wet to plow Ad went to look for a beef
	18	Ad went to Delta this afternoon Stormy day Snow & rain no work done
	19	Wallace plowed in the Northeast field Snowed & Stormed most of the day Ad got home after dark traded the Jackson Colt for a horse
	20	the Snow is 9 inches deep this morning Stormy day wind & Snow & very cold no work
{illegible side note}	21	Ad went to 6th con for a load of wood he left here very Stormy day wind & Snow
	22	Still Storming very blistering weather no work
23		Revd Mr Matthews preached Stormy day
	24	I cut wood Ad & Wallace Killed the hogs they Killed them at the Road came with the slaugh & took our 2 out there cold & windy
	25	Ad & Wallace got in all the turnips Sold over 40 bushels at the Station 25 c per bushel fine day
	26	Ad plowed in the north field South East quarter rather too much Snow in the furrow

	27	Ad is plowing James MacDonald cleaned out the cross furrows or ditch in the North field where Ad is plowing this afternoon
	28	Ad plowed he finished that part of the North field in the forenoon plowed for a ditch down the east line so as to take the water to the ditch James McDonald Shoveled all day little rain
	29	Ad plowed Sod in the west midle field James McDonald is Shoveling the ditch down the east line from the ditch on the South of the North field to the north Cross ditch
30		Revd Mr Huston preached in the morning Mr Matthews at night

1879

Dec	1	Ad drew 2 loads of wood from our own Woods
	2	Ad plowed in the ditch McDonald shoveled out the earth he then plowed Sod midle field
	3	the Thrashers came to the road last night to thrash Stormy day Ad took out to the road this McDonald went with him Steding Anlgun & his Son Stoped all night his Son is going to Youngs School
	4	{strike through} Ad went to Gananoque with the Slaugh in the afternoon young John McIntosh from Branford he was looking the Lyn Mills

	5	John McIntosh went on the Express Ad & Abia was here for dinner Snow is most gone
	6	Ad went to the 6 concession for a load of wood snow all gone he had a hard time geting home
7		Revd Mr Matthews preached this morning Mr Garrat at night
	8	Ad plowed Sod McDonald Cleaned out the cross ditch where Ad is plowing fine day
	9	hard frost last night no plowing McDonald thrashed peas half the day
rain	10	rain last night & most of the day no work
	11	Ad is plowing Sod in the midle field
	12	Ad plowed a little this forenoon the frost last & the way it is rising now he had to stop
	13	hard frost last night Ad helped Wallace to ditch in the field next the Rail Road
14		Revd Mr Garrat preached this morning Mr Matthews at night
Snowed	15	Snowed about 5 inches last night & is still snowing

	16	Ad helped Wallace to ditch in the forenoon {illegible} the sixth concession for a load of wood we got {illegible} Watt & David came from Delta to night {illegible}
	17	Snowed about 4 inches last night
	18	David went home to Parry Sound on the Express {illegible} to Delta to day little Watt came on the express from Pembroke he was at the Presbytery {illegible}
	19	Ad took Watt to Delta for to see B{illegible}

1879

Dec	20	Ad got home in the night Rob & his Mother came here & went home again good Slaughting
	21	Revd Mr Matthews preached Mr Garrat at night stormy
	22	Ad Drew a load of wood from the 6th concession the roads is very heavy with Snow & rain yesterday
	23	Ad drew a load of wood home then went to Young to go to Farmersville for Bessie & Jenie tomorrow
	24	Ad got home in the night he brought Bessie & Jennie rain & Snow most of the day I cut wood & tended the cattle
	25	Mr Dean & his wife was here for dinner that was all Billie did not come

	26	Ad has been thrashing at Wm McNiel's
	27	the thrashers came here this afternoon they Sett the machine that is all they did Stormed most of the day rain & Snow
28		the Revd Mr Houston preached this morning Mr Matthews at night
	29	the thrashers thrashed the wheat had 2 bushel the rats had destroyed it badly had 130 bushel of oats drizzling rain & Snow
	30	Ad took 10 bushel of oats to mail for 2 feed the beef Snowed about 4 inches
	31	Ad went for a load of wood he left it here I went to the School meeting Steven Findlay was reelected under a {preelect?}

1880

Jan	1	Ad went to Young to Rob { illegible} Farmersville the ground is {illegible}
	2	Ad came home this afternoon fine day
	3	Bessie & Mary Jane went to {illegible}
	4	the Revd Mr Matthews preached this morning

	5	Ad took Wallace & a man out to the chanty for to chop wood he brought a load home here fine day
rain snow day	6	Ad out 5 bags of fall wheat & 2 of Spring we cleaned them up for the Mill & we cleaned 5 bags of oats
	7	Ad went to Gananoque to mill Bessie & Miss Alguire went to farmersville yesterday in the rain Bessie is going to go to School there for to Study the languages in the High School there
	8	I attended a liquor case between Ruben Fields License Inspector & Charles Stewart Watt Webster assisted we considered the case proven Stewart appealed & then atended the annual meeting of the Agricultur Socitie there was a good meeting received \$4 in {illegible} Ad drew a load of wood from the 6 consession
	9	Ad drew a load of wood he left it here fine day the Slaughting is nearly gone warm day Ad went to the 6 Concession & brought Wallace & the man that he had helping him to cut wood home high wind last night the Snow is nearly gone at the{illegible}
	10	Ad went to the concession & brought Wallace and the man that he had helping him to cut wood home high wind last night the Snow is nearly all gone of the fields
11		Revd Mr Houston preached this morning Mr Matthews at night
	12	Ad Wallace & Ezra came and killed the Bull that we were feeding he is in good order Wallace & Ezra went

		to the Shantie with the horses they took the Slaugh on the waggon they are going to bank out wood
	13	Ad came out & cut down the beef he weighed 480 lbs that is the quarters he was two years old
	14	Ad came cut up our half of the beef I have been cutting or rather sawing what wood we use there is no Snow the roads

1879

Jan	15	Ad sawed wood Wallace & Ezra came home from the Shanty
	16	Jennet went to Farmersville Frank Alguire this afternoon fine day the Buggy goes well there is no Snow
rain	17	fine warm day like April the Snow is all gone
18		Revd Mr Matthews preached this morning Mr Garrat at night
	19	Ad took Jennie to her School this morning Jennet came home last night fine day I did nothing I have diarrhoea
	20	the wind is blowing from the East with Snow this morning a very Stormy all day
	21	Ad went to the Shanty for the bank wood a fine day

rain	22	very Stormy rain & Slet with wind in the afternoon
rain & Snow	23	Ad came home with a load of wood this forenoon he left it here went back for another rain & Snow in the afternoon he that load home
	24	Ad drew 2 loads of wood took 1 home & left 1 the other here Wallace went for Jennie
25		the Revd Mr Matthews preached at night
	26	Ad took Jennie to the school & then went for a load of wood he left it here warm day the Slaughting is going fast
	27	Ad drew a load of wood he left it here & took 6 1/2 bushel of Turnips to the Station
	28	Ad went for 2 loads of lumber with the waggon to McCready's mill he took it home warm day
	29	Ad do 2 loads of lumber from McCready's mill he left them here they are for a milkshed
	30	Ad drew a load of fence lumber from the mill he left it here there is good waggoning fine day James Lattimer {illegible}
	31	Ad went {illegible} Whites and got the horses shod the cauks has got dull & there is a good deal of ice on the Roads

1879

Feb	1	RevdMr Matthews preached this morning Mr Joint preached Miss Lattimers funeral {illegible} O clock from Methodist church filled full
	2	Mrs {illegible} was buired at the {illegible} buiring ground Revd W{illegible} preached for the church here it {illegible} was great {illegible}
	3	they have all been {illegible} busy geting ready for a tea meeting at the house {illegible} the church it is a very stormy day wind & Snow
little snow	4	Ad went to the Shanty with Ezra he is going to chop cordwood Ad is going to bank it out there was a childrens tea meeting at 4 oclock this afternoon to cents for children from 25 for adults I went to {illegible}
	5	Ad took hay & oats to the Shanty Ad & Wallace went & asked for a bee to be draw wood on Saturday
	6	fine day Ad is banking out wood slaughting is good he asked hands for a bee in the afternoon
little snow	7	we had a good bee there was 15 loads brought here & 14 loads taken to the Road there was a light Snow falling most of the day
8		Revd Mr Garrat preached this morning Mr Matthews at night
	9	Ezra cut wood in the Shed most of the day I went to the Station to the Council M eeting Mr A Cornett was put in pathmaster for our division Ad came Abia

		went to Young he intends to go to Brockville tomorrow
little snow	10	I went to the Funeral of old Mr Burns he was 96 years old Revd Mr Huston preached in there church here it was well filled they then went to the Robinson graveyard
	11	fine day Slaughting is good Ad went to the Shanty with Ezra for to draw sawlogs
	12	I cut a little wood for the box stoves snow is going of very fast there is a soft thaw wind
	13	I went to Gananoque with Wallace in the Buggy the Snow is nearly all gone there is fine wheeling I got measure for a coat & vest with Ch{illegible} he is to make them for 4 dollars & {rest of entry illegible}

1880

Feb	14	there was a little Snow but {illegible} Ad came home from chanty this afternoon
	15	Revd Mr Matthews has the communion this morning
	16	Ad went to the 9th concession with Ezra they are going get out shingle stuff fine day
	17	I helped Wallace to grute or rather to beam fill he expect Billie out Mrs Gowan died last night

	18	rain this the Snow is going very fast warm wind
	19	the Snow is all gone there was a very high wind last night it has blown down part of the fairground fence opposite the orchard
	20	Ad came home from the woods this afternoon he could do nothing in the 9th consession the Swamp is open they came back the 6th & worked there 2
Ellen went on the Express to Perth she is going to Ellans	21	I atended a Session meeting in the church Mr Cochran was there Mr Moorhead did not come Mr Fullerton came and acknowledging his fault & promised not to do so again there was a congregational meeting after for to see about building a Mance very few came we are going to get lumber
22		Revd Mr Huston preached this morning Mr Matthews at night
	23	Ad & Billie came from Delta this 4 noon Miss Tennet & Miss Stevens came with them they came in Buggys fine day
	24	Billie is working at Wallace's house Ezra is working at Abram McNiel's cuting wood
	25	Ad got Wilson Gilbert to make new fraim for the cirkler Saw they are going to wood at Abs for the Summer

	26	Bruce took the cirkler up to Abs to day very warm the Roads very bad the frost going away
	27	Ad here the Boys is getting wood at Abs fine day
	28	Billie went to Delta in the afternoon Miss Doun{illegible} Miss Ste{illegible}
29		Revd Mr Matthews preach this morning Mr Garrat at night very heavy rain last night heavy high wings {winds}

1880

March	1	Ad & Bruce went to Abs to cut wood they have drag and cirkler saws fine day there was a little frost last night
	2	Ad & the Boys is at Abs yet they did not come home
	3	Ad Wallace Bruce Ab & Ezra came this morning with the horse powr & cirkler saw and cut all that wood that we have here they did a fine job
	4	little rain last night Ad sawed there wood at the road Billie came from Delta this afternoon he says that the roads is in a fearfull State
	5	very heavy rain last night the fields is in a swim Billie worked at Wallaces house

	6	I Split wood Ad went for Jennie this afternoon
7		Revd Mr Garrat preached this morning Mr Matthews at night
	8	Ad took a load of hay from the New Barn to day Billie helped him to load it he took it home very cold day with hard frost Mr James Mc{illegible} & two of Frank Halls daughters came on the Express this afternoon from Brockville fine day
	9	I went to Kingston to the Presbytry on the Express there was a good atendance they kept up till 11 oclock I stoped at the Albon Hotel
	10	I got home on the Express the Presbytery was not half when I left the Halls went home on the Express to Toronto & McElherne to Brockville
	11	Ad went to McCready Mill for a load of lumber for Wallace at house Billie & Wallace is working at it
	12	I went with Mr Matthews to see John Haislip he is very sick he administered the Sacrament to him and about fifteen or twenty other church members RevdMr Cornet asisted
	13	I went to John Websters on the sixth concession and took the affidavit of his Daughter the Roads is good Billie went to Farmersville he is going to bring Bessie home

14		Revd Mr Matthews preached this morning Mr Garrat at night
	15	I laid up the fence allong the roads to keep the sheep of the wheat fine day
Snowed about 6 inches	16	David got of the Express this morning he sprained his knee in jumping of it {illegible} Snow about 6 inches to day

1879

Mar	17	Ad came out to David he is quite lame with his knee fine day {rest of line illegible}
	18	David went away on the Express Ad took him down in the Buggy he is a great deal better
	19	I taped 20 trees put milk pans to them the buckets is not scalded yet they dont run well
	20	Jennet gathered 3 pails of sap and boiled it down I put the buckets to the trees & brought in the pans
21		Revd Mr Huston preached this morning Mr Matthews at night there is about 3 inches of Snow this morning
	22	Ad took Prince home he is going to draw dung at the road fine morning Ellen got home from glentay on the Express all well there
	23	I taped Ads boots Stormy day Snow and rain Jennet boiled 12 pails of Sap

	24	very cold this morning North west wind
	25	cold all day Ad split some wood for me
	26	fine calm day Ad sowed clover & timothy seed over the fall wheat & when he had all in the north field last year Miss Rogers an other three girles from Gananoque came on the Express to see Bessie
	27	I split Some wood in the forenoon & went to a Session meeting in the church at two oclock we took waggon load of hay to the road out of the New Barn
28		Revd Mr Matthews preached this morning Mr Garrat at night
	29	Ad gathered 12 pails of Sap they boiled some of at house for hot sugar before Miss Rogers and the four girls went away on the Express
	30	very cold morning North wind
	31	Ad Wallace & Ezra came out and drew stone for the Milk shed they has to get some timber for a beam & plates the ones that we had roten got it rised fine day

1879

June	13	Received from Hugh McKay for Sand & Stone \$5.00
1879		{line illegible}

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Highways Defined

All allowances made for roads by the Crown Survey in any town township or place already laid out or hereafter laid out and also all roads laid out by virtue of any Statute on any roads where the public money has been expended for opening the same or whereon the Statute labour hath been usually performed or any road passing through the Indian Lands Shall be deemed Common and Public highways unless where such roads have been already altered or may hereafter be altered according to law L29-30V.651.S.315

Ad got	4	00
{Convent?} dinner	\$1	00
making Jennies boots	1	25
Sugar 2 Sundrys 1	3	00
Ad got for grass seed	8	00
and 25 c for Caster oil		25
Lamp chimnee and things		50

Moneys received from McDonald		
for the Lambs		

August 18	he {lost?} 2	\$4 50
13	Do {Ditto} 2	5 00
19	Do {Ditto} 4	8 00
23	2	<u>5 00</u>
		22 50

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