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Diary  
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Frank McMillan  
Burlington

Jan 1st Sunday, New Years Day, very cold this morning, zero.  
Jan 2nd Still cold below zero yet, no electric lights no Radial cars till noon. Election Day, we voted in both townships.  
Jan 3rd milder this morning and snowing a little. Yesterdays election returns are in East Hamblons Peter Rae Reeve, and Wt. Easterbrook. Deputy Reeve - in Nelson having Reeve by acct. H. J. Foster one of the councillors, in Burlington Hobson again for Mayor & Harris for Reeve - Burlington won first of their O.H. a game with Ham. Tigers in overtime play score 4-2  
Jan 4th Raining all day roads very icy  
Jan 5th ~~Raining~~ Raining yet this Am ice all gone. turning cold again - tonight

Jan 6th went to Burlington to Dr  
Pearce. have sore eyes, inflammation  
he says.

Jan 7th moderately cold fine winter  
weather. no snow.

Jan 8th: Weather fine eyes very sore  
Lillie's getting sore now. Dr says  
it is. Pink eye -

Jan 18th Eyes have been so sore to  
write anything since Jan 8th. They  
have been very bad. Dr here 4 or 5  
times also a nurse for 6 days  
Lillie's did not get as sore as my  
mine. Charlotte just had a touch  
the weather has been fine and  
moderately cold.

Jan 20th My birthday eyes improving  
some but unable to go out yet.

Jan 21st Fine + bright nice winter  
weather.

Jan 22nd Sunday coldest + roughest day  
of the winter. Strong gales + snow  
flurries from the west. up all last  
night. Nurse + Dr arrived this morning

nothing doing yet tonight.

Jan 23rd Bright and very cold  
Jan 24th. very cold nurse here yet  
but nothing doing.

Jan 25th Still very cold eyes not  
better yet.

Jan 26th. Doris Lillie McMillan  
arrived about 6:30 this morning  
weather fine + moderately cold.

Jan 27th Fine + moderately cold  
have not been able to do anything  
for a month nearly.

Jan 28th Fine + no snow. Bul-  
won last @ H a game with Beavers  
of Ham. score 6-2. They won bout  
of 8 games. and win district honors  
they lost one game to Grimsby and  
one to Ham. Tigers.

Jan 29th Sunday fine + warm had  
Lillie's folks out to see the baby.

Jan 30th Fine + mild no snow  
Jan 31st Fine + mild. was out for  
the first took a walk down to  
Johns. have to wear goggles

July 1 cool & cloudy looks like rain  
phoned for a couple of cars manure  
promised one next week

July 2nd Rained all night heavy  
wind today & turning cold again

July 3rd moderately cold had  
Chevrolet agent around trying  
to sell a truck, they are to clear  
\$1950

July 4th Fine & cold

July 5th snowing and raining  
a little had Stanley Long &  
wife & children in to see us

July 6th Fine & mild, wrote some  
letters ordering seeds, manure  
and fruit baskets & crates.

July 7th. Fine & mild thawing again  
am afraid this winter will be hard  
on strawberrie no snow all winter  
leaves all frozen brown now

July 8th Very cold again, had  
Ford agent around about a truck  
worth around \$900

July 9th mild again Burlington lost  
Hockey game last night with Brantford  
score 4 to 2. Lehman. Burlington  
goalie but on nose badly cut.  
Received card car of manure  
shipped July 6th.

July 10th nurse left today charged  
\$108 for 18 days some pay etc.

July 11th. Burl lost H. Game at Brantford  
6 to 0. Ice soft. Game very rough  
Summers of Burl. Knocked out  
and, Wilson was drunk no wonder  
they lost. was down town  
this morning first since Jan 9

July 12th Sunday cold with strong  
west winds & some snow

July 13th cold, car of manure  
car of manure arrived this P.M.

July 14th John had Mr Jordan  
helping unload car of manure

July 15th went to Hamilton got  
license for car, no 58892, also  
got. Tomatoes, Cabbages & Pepper  
seeds, turning cold again

July 16th very cold. clear & frosty.

July 17th very cold coldest this winter about 6 below zero.

July 18th mild again today raining tonight.

July 19th mild had a thunder and lightning storm in the evening.

July 20th. Fine & mild like spring heard some crows. cleaning up barns getting ready to put baskets in.

July 21st Fine, trimming trees, started getting <sup>1000</sup> crates from applefords, at 25¢ also berry boxes at 75¢ per 1000.

July 22nd Rained & sleeted all night, and all day today. (applefords driver says the hill is very icy)

July 23rd every thing all covered with ice yet, never saw so much on the trees. lots of limbs broken also lots of wires down, no electric lights last night nor tonight.

rained today at noon and warm this afternoon ice nearly all gone by night and every thing floozled by bed time ground frozen again and blowing heavy gale from the west.

took 3 snapshots of the orchard with ice on trees, hope they are good. (note: turned out good)

July 24th. very cold this morning about 20°, one of the Packing Houses all broken to pieces some time last night.

July 25th Cutting down <sup>40</sup> more Clappes pear trees, now only about 15 left out of 200. all blighted was down town at night first night since Jan 3rd.

July 26th mild & cloudy Sunday had Mr + Mrs B. Mr + Mrs Linn and Mr + Mrs Stan Long out.

July 27th. Snowed a little this morning we all motored to Hamilton to see about a wheel got also Electric Washer. went to Locus at night with Mrs B. did not get home till after 11 o'clock.

Feb 28. Turned very cold again last night  
getting in baskets 116 costs 68<sup>00</sup> per 1000.  
Slat cases 20 + Leno's 22.

Feb 1st Cold + cloudy, got two  
more loads baskets in.

Feb 2nd. Fine + moderately cold  
trimming trees.

Feb 3rd. Fine + clear trimming  
apple trees. some job. a lot of  
dead in them.

Feb 4th. Fine. started unloading  
car of manure this afternoon +  
making hotbeds. the car was  
8 days on the road.

Feb 5th. Fine + mild was down  
home for tea.

Feb 6th. Fine + warm. like spring  
heard a robin. unloading manure  
and making hot beds.

Feb 7th. Rained all night showery  
this morning sowed part of  
our seeds. Some pepper, cabbage  
+ tomatoes.

Feb 8th. Sowed balance of  
Tomato pepper + Cabbage  
seeds. sowed a 4 ozs. Ruby  
Giant pepper 2 ozs Pimento Pepper  
about 8 ozs our own hot pepper  
4 ozs Just + Best Tomatoes  
6 ozs John Baer "  
6 ozs Copenhagen Cabbage in  
forty four sashes.  
cold last night but clear  
+ frosty to stay.

Feb 9th. milder today east wind  
bright + clear fine hotbed weather.

Feb 10th. East. winds + mild  
Cabbages up already sowed on

Feb 7th. Trimming old orchard.  
Feb 11th. cold east wind fixing  
sash in the barn -

Feb 12th. Sunday. motored to Ham.  
had dinner at Mrs Barlow's + tea  
at Lillian's mother's weather fine  
just like April.

Feb 13th. Fine, trimming trees.

March 14th. Fine + warm, ordered  
40 new hotted sashes at \$165 each  
from Nicholsons and 3 boxes glass  
from Manns at \$6.00 per box  
ordered Ford Truck today complete  
with License \$9.25, delivered May 1st

March 15th. Fair + mild transplants

March 16th. Colder with very cold  
north west wind + finished  
trimming trees.

March 17th. Very cold + frosty,  
north wind, fixing hot bed sashes  
in the barn.

March 18th. Making more hotted beds  
for transplanting Cabbages

March 19th. Sunday cold + cloudy  
heavy east wind, looks like storm

March 20th. Rained all night and  
some showers this morning  
have a car of manure in but  
John and I both have colds  
we are getting Geo. H. + Jordan  
to unload it tomorrow

March 21st. First day of spring  
ground all covered with  
snow this morning, and  
had snow flurries all  
morning, winds north west  
+ colder - unloading manure

March 22nd. Very cold with strong  
north west wind, finished  
car of manure and put earth  
on hotted beds.

March 23rd. Sowed 4 sash of  
Chalks Jewel Tomatoes and  
started transplanting Cabbages

March 24th. Finished transplanting  
Early Cabbages 40 sashes 200 to  
the sash... total about 8000

March 25th. Have a bad cold did  
not go out all day.

March 26th. Sunday cool and showery

March 27th. Cloudy + very mild  
transplanting tomatoes

March 28th. Very cold again  
this morning, planted some

more Tomatoes in the afternoon  
Mch 27<sup>th</sup> Raining all day - went  
to Hamletton and got Electric  
Washer. Blue Bird cost \$114.<sup>00</sup> wholesale  
retail price was \$155.<sup>00</sup>

Mch 30<sup>th</sup>. One of the worst storms  
of the winter snowed all morning.  
Raining + sleeting this afternoon.  
Man started work this  
morning at \$14.<sup>00</sup> per week.

Mch 31<sup>st</sup> Rained + snowed all night  
looks like real winter this  
morning ice + snow over  
everything and cold north wind  
blowing hotbeds all covered  
with ice + snow frozen on them  
cant open them at all

April 1<sup>st</sup>. Very cold. ground covered  
with snow. transplanted one <sup>of</sup> <sup>the</sup>  
frame of Tomatoes. too cold had

April 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday cool + cloudy  
was down home for tea.  
April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Cool + East winds

transplanting Tomatoes.  
April 4<sup>th</sup> made hotbeds for  
peppers + transplanted Tomatoes  
about one half of what we  
done before the ice storm  
have dropped over

April 5<sup>th</sup> The man that started  
last week only worked one day  
never came back. hired another  
one today. Very cold + cloudy  
with strong east wind

April 6<sup>th</sup>. working at hotbeds.  
cool + cloudy -

April 7<sup>th</sup>. Strong south west  
winds + very mild. fixing  
doors on barn and just  
finished transplanting Tomatoes  
90 sashes.

April 8<sup>th</sup> started transplanting Peppers  
Harrowed Asparagus + man  
drawing brush out of the orchard

April 9<sup>th</sup> - Sunday. turned very  
warm this afternoon. went  
over to Ray Bell for tea.



April 10th Very warm transplanting  
some more peppers. Went to  
Hamilton for some Clover  
seed, corn etc. Paid \$31.25<sup>cash</sup>

April 11th Rained all night and  
till noon today. every thing  
flooded, turning cold. Tony left.

April 12th Very cold with high  
west winds. unloading  
car of manure.

April 13th Cools. Cleaned weeds  
off old strawberry patch

April 14th. Good Friday cold  
north east + east wind clouds  
started raining in the evening.  
finished transplanting pepper  
& started uncovering strawberries  
they look good seem to have  
come through winter alright  
hired Ed Chapman to look  
after our berry pickers at  
\$25 per week for 10 weeks

April 15 cool with north east  
wind. uncovering strawberries

April 16th Sunday Fine home all  
day. Doris has been sick  
for about a week.

April 17th Heavy thunder storms  
this morning every thing flooded  
made hot-beds in the afternoon

April 18th Cold with high winds  
uncovering strawberries  
started man flowing for the first  
it is pretty wet yet.

April 19th Cold with high  
south west wind started  
raining again in the evening  
finished uncovering strawberries  
started filling up blackberries

April 20th Very cold and windy  
with some snow flurries

April 21st. Sick in bed today  
with the flu. + Bronchitis  
May 2nd out of bed today first  
time since April 21st. have had  
some hoarse with sickness

myself Lillie and both children  
also the first nurse took it  
and now Lillie's mother in bed  
John + new transplanted  
Tomatoes 2nd time on April 24th  
25th 26th 27th, also put in Cato  
+ Clover seed in the orchards on  
April 27th + April 28th. Sowed  
3/4 lb Carrot seed on April 29th -  
on May 1st, started planting  
some Strawberries, and May  
2nd started putting out Cabbages,  
down home: 6000 trees.

May 2nd 3rd + 4th. Planted strawberries  
back of cemetery. the weather has  
been fine. no rain.

May 5th Cloudy. Planted trees.  
finished planting Cabbages May 6th.  
Rows - 1, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12 are Grand Duke  
Rows 3, 5, 9, are Reine Claude  
Rows 2, 7, 11 are Bradshaw -  
Starting next road. Some plums  
Burlanck + Abundance out in blossom.

May 7th Sunday cool. + windy  
had a light shower last night  
May 8th Planting strawberries  
yet - also cut first  
Asparagus 5 doz sold in Toronto  
at \$1.60 a doz.

May 9th Planted Golden Bantam  
Sweet corn + pumpkins  
also planting strawberries -  
weather, cold + cloudy, east winds.

May 10th Finished planting 3 Benis  
filled up young Raspberry  
patch. poor prospects  
for Rasps. this year, every  
thing frozen. only young  
patch left.

May 11th Very warm today  
sowed Late Cabbage 2 doz  
Copenhagen, and Cabbage flower  
2 doz. Erfurt. Shipped  
8 baskets Grass, sold at 250

May 12th Fixing up sprays  
new hoop bushes

May 13th. Planted Potatoes, Got  
New Ford Truck cost \$225  
bright + sunshiny today  
but very cold wind. feels  
like frost tonight. some  
strawberries in blossom and  
all the plum pears + cherries  
in full bloom. Have to catch  
the early train tomorrow morning  
it starts on daylight time 5:50

May 14th. Sunday Cool, with  
strong east winds.

May 15th. Fine + warm hoeing  
old strawberry patch.

May 16th. Hoeing strawberries  
fine + warm

May 17th. Hoeing strawberries  
weather showery.

May 18th. Dug Blackberries out  
which had Orange Rust  
also hoeing strawberries  
stopped at 4 o'clock by  
rain.

May 19th. Hoeing strawberries  
showery again. Had to  
over to spend the day.

May 20th. Rained again about  
11 o'clock and for the rest of  
the day, ground getting  
too wet now. asparagus <sup>\$2.75</sup> today

May 21st Sunday Fine + warm  
was down to see Uncle Archie  
he is pretty low. guess he will  
not last much longer.

May 22nd Fine + warm. went to  
Hamilton to get some seeds.  
basket fasteners etc; men  
hoeing cabbages. cut 12 bbls  
asparagus sold at \$3.25 <sup>bbl</sup> in Toronto

May 23rd Planted yellow corn  
+ pumpkins, + marked  
ground for tomatoes.

May 24th. Planted cukes. also sowed  
carrots again too thin last  
time. sowed first 12 rows next  
orchard and last part. ~~half way~~

last Radish hole in drill.  
1 lb seed. started planting  
Tomatoes in the afternoon  
got about 4600 out.

May 25th Showery. planting  
Tomatoes

May 26th Fair + warm finished  
planting Tomatoes 175<sup>70</sup> plants

May 27th. Planting Peppers  
heavy cold north wind blowing  
about 5000 Hot. 1500 Punnets  
3500 Sweet Ruby Giant.

May 28th. Sunday Fine + warm  
was down to the Beach and  
over to see Will Bell.

May 29th. Started spraying at  
noon. a little over 3 1/2 gals Lime  
Sulphur + 5 1/4 lbs Lead (Powder)  
per tank. New hoeing new  
strawberries.

May 30th Spraying all day  
weather fine

May 31st Spraying yet

Good Prospects for fruit. Lots  
of plums + apples. half  
crop pears + cherries.

June 1st. Finished spraying  
today 22 tanks - 2 lbs Lime  
Sulphur 125 lbs Lead

June 2nd. Weeding + hoeing  
started rain about 4 o'clock.

June 3rd. Fine + warm. all the  
crowd cleaning up hotbeds.

June 4th Sunday Fine + warm  
was down at Hicks for tea

June 5th. Hoeing + cultivating  
and finished cleaning up  
hotbeds. Dealt. Ford

Truck off for a Res. got  
what we paid for food \$25  
Res cost \$21.00.

June 6 Fine + warm. hoeing

June 7th Hoeing Cabbage  
second time ought to  
have Cabbages in a couple  
of weeks

June 8<sup>th</sup> Picked first strawberries  
3 crates shipped to Toronto  
sold at - 27¢ box

June 9<sup>th</sup> Three new cultivating  
athes having very warm  
over 80 in the shade

June 10<sup>th</sup> Had a very heavy rain  
in the night, lightning and  
thunder, very bad. Sowed  
Turnip seed. Sowed half way  
past Turnip hole in the drill.

June 9<sup>th</sup> (cont) Uncle Archie died  
this afternoon funeral on Sunday.

June 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday, every thing  
flooded in the night. Thunder  
storm started about 10 o'clock  
last night and kept up one  
after another all night. till  
after 4 this morning. It is now  
about 10 o'clock and thundering  
again. went to Uncle Archie's funeral.  
weather turned out fine.

June 12<sup>th</sup> Picked 30 crates

strawberries off the old  
patch. they were awful  
sandy. shipped to  
Toronto sold at 28¢ and 30¢

June 13<sup>th</sup> Picked strawberries guess  
they dropped in price sold in  
Toronto at - 20 and 22¢

June 14<sup>th</sup> Picked 41 crates. sold  
some north at 5<sup>00</sup> crate and  
some to Ross Hart at 15¢, sold  
in Toronto at .16¢

June 15<sup>th</sup> Picked 49 crates 5<sup>00</sup>,  
today only shipped 13 crates  
north Balance to Toronto. sold at 18¢  
there

June 16<sup>th</sup> Picked 66 crates but  
stopped by rain, did not get  
nearly over them sold 29,  
crates to Smith at 14¢, 19  
crates north at 15¢ and 18 crates  
to Toronto. at, 18¢

June 17<sup>th</sup> Had very heavy thunderstorms  
again in the night every  
thing flooded today nothing doing

June 18 Cold & cloudy looks like rain. Sunday

June 19<sup>th</sup> Drove to Toronto with 80 crates berries sold 40 at 70¢ here. Shipped balance north at 12¢ and to Toronto had a big day 254 crates in all.

June 20<sup>th</sup> Fine & Cool picked 234 crates S.B. today getting very cheap. sold 83 crates north at 10¢ some here at 24¢ shipped balance to Toronto ~~50¢~~ <sup>9¢</sup> at

June 21<sup>st</sup> Picked 125 crates shipped north at 10 cents box

June 22<sup>nd</sup> Picked 124 crates shipped north at 10¢ crop a failure nearly done, could have sold 300 crates today

June 23 only picked 77 crates today sold at 12¢ north. have picked 1028 all told up till tonight (Friday).

June 24 No picking today. was weeding carrots also planted out cabbages very warm had to put old berry boxes over them. also sowed turnip seed over again, last never came up. ground got all hard & crusty after the big storm. sowed about half way past turnip hole in dill & drove to Walruso Park. ~~with~~ parade crowd arrived from St Thomas. The Res truck goes fine.

June 25 Sunday, clear & very cold.

June 26 Clear & cold picked 124 crates berries sold north at 15 cents. also 14 Richmond cherries at \$1.00 and 7 crates Cabbages for the first. at \$2.00.

June 27<sup>th</sup> Showery only picked 69 crates, planted out Cauliflowers

June 28<sup>th</sup> Picked 107 crates not very many orders

Res truck delivered today at 10:15

Had to ship ~~70~~<sup>54</sup> crates  
to Toronto sold at 14¢  
53 crates net at 15¢

June 29th Picked 66 crates straw-  
berries, shipped mostly to  
Toronto. Shipped 56 lbs  
Richmond cherries + some  
Cabbages up north

June 30th Very warm today. only  
picked 34 crates strawberries  
they are nearly done -

July 1st Saturday showery  
in the morning nothing  
done all day

July 2nd Fine + warm

July 3rd Picked 22 crates S. Berries  
and a few cherries <sup>22 lbs</sup> 2¢

July 4th Still picking Berries  
and Richmond cherries

July 5th Picked the last of  
the strawberries had  
1484 crates, only a light  
crop -

July 6th Picked just Raspberries  
2 crates shipped to Toronto  
sold at 27½¢ + also finished  
picking Richmond cherries  
averaged about 90¢ lb -  
Started picking Montmorency  
68 lbs at 100¢ per lb -

July 7th Cherry market all shut  
selling as low as 50¢  
in Toronto only picked 58 lbs  
to ship north. Blowing heavy  
gale from south west, blew  
a lot of cherries off, and  
bruised them on the trees badly -

July 8 Fine + moderately warm  
Hoening old strawberry patch.

July 9th Sunday Fine + cool  
10th Picking cherries  
selling north at 80 cents.  
cut 28 crates Cabbages 80 + 90

July 10 Very warm, cherries  
badly bruised, picked  
21 lbs Green Peppers

also 1 lb of tomatoes  
peppers sold at - 90¢  
tomatoes sold at \$15.00  
tomatoes very poor crop this

year.  
July 12<sup>th</sup>. Orangemans day pickers  
scarce. only picked 100  
lbs of cherries. heavy rain  
at five o'clock.

July 13 Fine & warm picking  
cherries & cutting cabbage

July 14<sup>th</sup>. Picking cherries. Have  
picked 978 lbs up till  
today Friday night.

July 15. Cut 25 doz cabbage for  
Hart at 50¢ doz. Picked  
12 crates Rasp. went to  
market with 9 crates sold at 20¢

July 16<sup>th</sup> Fine & warm, home all day.

July 17<sup>th</sup> Cut 25 crates cabbages &  
6 sacks picked 130 cherries &  
27 lbs tomatoes. shipped all  
north. had a couple of light  
showers.

July 18<sup>th</sup> Picked cherries at 80¢  
14 Rasp. at 21 cents 23 + 24

July 19. Picked cherries 80¢  
18 Rasp. shipped Toronto  
sold at 23 + 24, 7 tomatoes at  
15¢. 34 pepper @ 60¢ 100

weather fine & warm -  
July 20. Fine picking cherries  
& Raspberries.

July 21 Picking cherries & Rasp.  
fine & warm.

July 22 Sat picked Black Currants  
9 baskets mail.

July 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday. Showery. Lillie  
played organ at Meth. Church.

July 24<sup>th</sup>. Picked last of Red  
cherries. picked first  
apples 75 lbs sold @ 50¢.

July 25<sup>th</sup> Picked Rasp. all  
day 28 crates, also picked  
first plums 6 lbs Willards  
shipped north at 75¢



July 26th, Picked Rasp all day 29 crates.

July 27 Picked morello cherries + Raspberries.

July 28th. Very warm, finished picking morello cherries total cherries picked this year 1605, 350 less than last year.

Picked first Lawtons 5 1/2 crates shipped north at 20¢, also picked Rasp<sup>at 25¢</sup> + 54 tomatoes, at 60¢

July 29th. Sowed some buckwheat on old strawberry bed, also planted some cucumbers seed am afraid it is too late. <sup>(+ warm no good)</sup>  
Have 1625 Berry crates <sup>quart.</sup> + Boxes in now bot from Dalton for 15¢ each delivered here.

July 30 Fine + very warm had dinner + supper at the beach.

July 31, Showery nearly all day, picked between showers.

Aug 1st. Rained, very hard in the early morning. Picked rasp tomatoes + plums. Red June + Shit.

Aug 2 Picked plums at 50¢ + 60¢ Rasp + Lawtons apple tomatoes cukes + Peppers but every thing cheap.

raining again at 5 o'clock. Aug 3 Nothing doing today no orders only for tomatoes and we had none.

Aug 4 Picked tomatoes only about 90 lb at 50¢ 75 plums at 40¢ + 50¢ a few Lawtons + Rasp.

Aug 5 Sold Ross Hart 50 plums, 12 cukes + 15 doz Calbage - cutting oats rest of day -

Aug 6 Sunday Raining all afternoon & evening. Lillian played organ at church -

Aug 7. Picked 153 tons sold 50¢  
70 plums 40¢ a few cubs 25¢  
Berries & Cabbage.

a shower at noon. and a big storm at 4:30 evening  
everything flooded.

Aug 8th Picked the last of our Raspberries today only had 225 - crate this year.

Aug 9 Only 70 lbs tomatoes today at 50¢ Plums 30¢ apples 40¢, very cool nights.

Aug 10th Light to day no tomatoes only a few plums & apples

Aug 11th. Busy today 190 tons at 50¢. 90 plums 30¢ 15 apples 40¢ 70 doz corn 18¢ 10 doz cubs 20¢

Aug 12 Picked 300 lbs plums sold Smith 200 at 25¢ Hart 25¢ at 30¢ shipped Balance -

Aug 13 Sunday fine & warm  
Aug 14. very warm & very busy.

Sold Smith 50 plums @ 25¢ N.P.S. 88 tons @ 40¢  
Picked 276 lbs tomatoes and 275 plums, also 20 apples 80 doz corn and 10 peaches & peppers

Aug 15 Another hot and busy day. Picked 365 plums all together 595 lbs besides 80 doz corn 2 crates berries

Aug 16. Busy again today.

John sick. very hot heavy thunder storms at Aldershot, and Oakville. had light storm here -

Aug 17th. only shipped 300 lbs tomatoes today and 80 doz corn more showers went around very hot here

Aug 18. Warm. yet picked plums at 25¢ apples 40¢ Tomatoes 40¢ cubs 22¢ - 100 doz corn 15¢

Aug 19. Picked 205 plums  
at 23¢, also some cukes  
corn etc.

Aug 20 Sunday fair + cold  
Lillie played organ at church  
had Dad, Effie Walter +  
Lillie folks for the day

Aug 21 Fine + cool picked  
579 lbs today tomatoes  
at 30¢ plums 25¢. Peas 48¢.  
corn 12½¢. Cabb. 40 doz -  
peas 50¢ apples 35¢

Aug 22 not so busy today  
orders dropping off -

Aug 23 Picking plums and  
tomatoes prices no good  
25¢ up north. Toronto  
no good at all, prices noted  
on the paper. say, tomatoes  
as low as 15¢, plums 20¢  
Cukes 10¢. corn as low as 3¢

Aug 24 started picking tomatoes  
for Cannery factory at  
45¢ a bushel.

Aug 25. Shipped 200 lbs fruit  
malt, also 3 loads corn  
to Cannery factory,

Aug 26th Sold Ross Hunt 2  
loads today, 160 plums  
at 20¢, 40 cukes 18¢, Crab apples  
at 30¢ 25 Sweet Peppers 35¢  
100 doz corn 12¢ 5 doz Pumpkins<sup>100</sup>

Aug 27 Sunday fair + cold -

Aug 28th not very busy for  
Monday. picking tomatoes  
for factory and a few plums  
+ tomatoes for orders.

Aug 29th Raining all morning  
picked a few Peas +  
plums for orders.

Aug 30 Orders scarce and  
everything cheap -

Aug 31 Orders a little better  
today about 250 lbs in all.

Sept 1 no orders at all  
hardly, raining in the  
afternoon.

Sept 2 Sold Hart 140 lbs fruit - and a few Pumpkins and some corn

Sept 3rd Sunday fine + warm.

Sept 4th Had quite a lot of orders today about 300 lbs but every thing cheap -

Sept 5th only orders for about 30 lbs. sold all the Bartlett pears down to 24 in at 24 cts lb to Harvest cof.

Sept 6th Picking tomatoes for Cannery, and Pears for Harvest cof. Hardly any orders.

Sept 7th. Finished Bartlett pears 145 bus. averaged 145 per bushel, while we had only been getting 35 c per basket up North. Had more orders today. 178 lbs in all,

Sept 8th Picked Howell pears only had 41 lbs this year no orders today total only 50 lbs

Sept 9th Saturday nothing done at all.

Sept 10th Sunday, very warm for this time of year thunder shower in the night.

Sept 11th. Rained all night and up till noon today picked tomatoes for cannery factory in the afternoon -

Sept 12th. Picked 180 lbs fruit for our orders, also tomatoes for factory, they close tonight put 283 bus in yesterday and today, all told 1100 bus

Sept 13th. shipped nearly 200 lbs in orders also 100 lbs plums to Toronto to try them and 50 peppers. Also took a load tomatoes to Ayler Cannery Co. Geo Chapman stopped work tonight,

Sept 14 Raining again all day took 35 bus tomatoes to Hamilton factory nothing else <sup>doing</sup>

Sept 15. Picking quite a few orders also 5 bbls Colvert apples.

Sept 16th Picked a couple loads for Ross Hart. 15 bags carrots at 55¢ bag 25 doz call - at 35¢ Tomatoes 22¢ Peppers 30¢

Sept 17. Went up to Hamilton on the truck. had dinner + tea.

Sept 18th. Picked about 250 lbs + 5 more bbl apples. weather cool + cloudy.

Sept 19th. Rained all night and raining yet till noon. fixed barrels in the barn and shipped a few orders in the afternoon.

Sept 20. Fine + warm. picked 150 lbs + 4 crates Cauliflower for Ross Hart @ 725 crate Burlington Fair was today. John + and all the rest gone.

Sept 21. Fine + warm. not very many orders today.

moved McRatts back to Hamilton. brought 20 bus Rye out 225 bushel - started ploughing yesterday.

Sept 22nd First day for a long time <sup>that</sup> we have had no orders. very warm cutting out Blackberry canes.

Sept 23. Fine + warm soil. Ross Hart one load Cabbage 50 doz at 35¢ and one load mixed Grapes <sup>33¢</sup> peaches <sup>35¢</sup> Tomatoes <sup>23¢</sup> Rene Claude plums <sup>25¢</sup> Cauliflower 125 crate Carrots 55¢ bag

Sept 24. Sunday. cool + cloudy - home alone all day -

Sept 25. Ploughing tomato patch. picked some pepper + pears. and started picking apples. had a light frost this morning but did not do any damage.

Sept 26th Frost again this morn-  
but no damage done,  
picking cranberry pepper  
apples no orders at all today

Sept 27th. Finished picking  
Duchess + Sheldon pears  
also last 10 light Tomatoes

Sept 28th. Sowing rye on  
Tomato patch. also picking  
apples. Fine & very warm

Sept 29th Picking keeping apples  
picked three trees 80 bushels  
Mrs Smythe buried today  
very warm weather

Sept 30th Fine & very warm  
picking Greening apples

Oct 1 Warm as Summer  
went to Hamilton for tea.

Oct 2nd Very warm packing  
apples. picked two barrels  
Kieffer pears.

Oct 3 warm like Summer  
picking & packing greening apples.

Oct 4. Picked 161 light peaches 30"  
52 light Grapes 25" for  
Ross Hart. Shipped some  
Hot Red peppers to Toronto  
we picked them all green and  
put in berry shanty. and the  
weather so warm, they are  
nearly all red now.

Oct 5 Warm & fine picked  
& packed 46 barrels Spy  
apples today. (four of us)

Oct 6, Fine & warm picked  
last of peaches + 24 vbls  
Baldwin apples. Charlotte  
very sick with summer  
complaint. since Tuesday Oct  
3rd has eaten nothing but  
water.

Oct 7th Picking apples in the  
morning. packed in barn  
in the afternoon as it was  
raining very hard.

Oct 8 Sunday cool & cloudy  
Charlotte still very sick  
have a nurse now - had  
Dr Clark Specialist tonight  
ordered Charlotte to Hospital

Oct 9 Lillie & Doris went to  
Hamilton to stay Charlotte  
very bad.

Oct 10th weather fine packing  
apples. Charlotte no better.

Oct 11th Loaded Car of  
apples for Hulet & Bros

174 <sup>weels</sup> winter apples @ 325 -  
30 Cranberry pippins \$250  
6 pears @ 325 -

Raining in the afternoon

Oct 12th Packing apples  
Charlotte worse went to  
Hamilton before noon  
Dr only gives her 24 hrs.

Oct 13. Stayed nearly all  
last night in Hospital  
Charlotte very low. Doris  
has it but not very bad,  
Charlotte a little stronger  
tonight.

Oct 14th. Charlotte about same  
John fell out of apple tree  
yesterday. has very bad ankle

Oct 15th. Charlotte seems a  
little stronger today.

Oct 16th Monday fine & warm  
packed apples @ just same

Oct 17th. Turned very cold  
in the night. packing apples

Oct 18th weather fine & cool  
still packing apples -

Oct 19th. Loaded Car of apples  
83 bbls for A E Johnston Sundridge  
66 " " P J Mann Braehufe  
22 " " W J Troyer Magnetawan

Oct 20 picking Kieffer pears  
for Harvest Canning Co Sold  
them at 14 per lb. for 2 inches  
pears + upwards -

Oct 21 st Sold Ross Hart  
176 bags Turnips at 30¢ 25  
bags Carrots 50¢ and 4980 lbs  
Cabbage at 900 per ton,  
Charlotte improving.

Oct 22nd Spent all day in city  
did not see Charlotte she  
now cups after leaving her -  
weather fine took a walk  
up the mountain.

Oct 23rd Drawing pears to  
Hamilton + sending out  
a few orders showery in the  
morning cleared up at noon.

Oct 24th Finished drawing  
pears. had 180 bushel  
to the Harvest Co.  
got Charlotte out of Hospital  
went to Lillian's mother's.

Oct 25, picking + packing  
apples yet. weather frosty.

Oct 26 Finished picking apples  
have some to pack yet  
weather cool.

Oct 27, Sold Ross Hart 87 bags  
Turnips + 52 bags Carrots  
5230 lbs Cabbage worked  
till nearly 10 o'clock tonight  
loading them "

Oct 28 ~~st~~ packing apples  
and started loading  
the last of apples.

Oct 29. Sunday fine + cool,  
staying in Hamilton yet  
Charlotte improving but  
very thin + weak yet  
expect to come home on  
Tuesday.

Oct 30th. Finished packing  
apples, 53 lbs to Hanna at  
\$300, 54 lbs to E B Farrell  
at \$300 and a few small orders



Oct 31st Brought Charlotte home from Hamilton this morning it sure is good to all be home again. Still have a nurse, Draining in corn stalks all day - looks like rain.

Nov 1st. Getting ready for market for the first time looks like rain.

Nov 2 Went to market. Today had a few light showers got home at half past three every thing cheap and had to sell Turnips 30 + 35¢ Carrots 40¢ - Peppers 30 + 35¢ Cauliflower 50 to \$1.50 box Cabbages about 35¢ doz.

Nov 3rd Draining in corn had over 150 bushel getting ready for market again.

Nov 4th Went to market again

looked like rain but did not. got home at noon.

Nov 5 Sunday. Fine & warm was home all day.

Nov 6th <sup>Thanksgiving Day</sup> Raining all morning got load ready for market in the afternoon. Had Mr & Mrs B. out.

Nov 7th went to market was home at noon. vegetables very cheap. Cabbages 30 to 40¢ doz Carrots 35 + 40¢ Turnips 25 + 30¢ Cauliflower 75 to \$1.50 Peppers 30 to 40¢. We are <sup>going to</sup> get our mail R.R. Route in a few days.

Nov 8th Took two loads today to Hamilton 1 load Turnips 20¢ bus. 1 load Carrots 35¢ and got load ready for market.

Nov 9th went to market finished with Cauliflower & Peppers today.

Nov 10th Took two loads to Hamilton today. heavy

frost this morning.  
Jenny Fishcarrier left  
Thursday noon - only Jack  
left and Geo Hammond  
ploughing part of the time.  
Nov 11th Was at market -  
sold out at half past  
six. had nearly all cabbage  
Nov 12th Sunday. Had visitors  
Dean B. + Ray + Will Bell,  
Nov 13th Heavy frost this  
morning cut load of  
Cabbage for market  
and started unloading  
2nd car of manure -  
putting in Raspberries  
Nov 14th Went to market  
with last load of the year  
about 60 doz Cabbages  
made about \$20.00  
did not get home till  
5 o'clock. mild. rained  
at night

Nov 15. started unloading  
3rd car of manure  
with the truck. weather  
cool & cloudy -  
Nov 16th Finished car of manure  
and started spreading on  
the ground.  
Nov 17th. warm & very heavy  
south west wind drawing  
manure & cutting out Rasp-  
berry bushes -  
Nov 18 Rough & showery  
man ploughing.  
Nov 19 Sunday. cloudy and  
a little cooler  
Nov 20th cool & cloudy  
trimming out Raspberry  
bushes -  
Nov 21st same job trimming  
berry bushes. Geo. H.  
ploughing.  
Nov 22nd Looks like  
winter this morning

ground covered with  
snow for the first time  
at Berry bushes till  
afternoon started another  
car of manure, went  
up to City, Lillie & myself  
to the Grand, saw  
Chu Chin Chow. ~~it~~ was  
very good but too high  
in price cost \$550 for  
two seats but was the  
first show in 2 years  
for us.

Nov 23rd finished car of  
manure at noon, started  
on another we are getting  
from Alex Bell from  
Hagersville, drawing  
from Freeman, as they  
never told the agent to  
send it down till way  
freight had gone.

Nov 24th Cold and cloudy  
with snow flurries  
finished car of manure.

Nov 25th. Finished cutting out  
berry bushes. Geo. H.  
ploughing, ground frozen <sup>some</sup>  
moved Jack Stevenson in  
to Hamilton.

Nov 26th. Cold & cloudy -  
snowing a little at night

Nov 27. Some snow on  
ground this morning  
unloaded another  
car of manure. Had  
Geo. H. & Mr Jordan  
helping.

Nov 28th unloaded another  
car today quite a  
lot of snow. and  
getting cold tonight.

Nov 29th Windy & milder  
unloaded another car  
of manure -

Nov 30 milder, mowed down  
old blackberry patches  
another car manure in.  
for tomorrow.

Dec 1st Unloaded car of manure  
was bad day for the job  
very windy. turning  
very cold tonight.

Dec 2nd Pruning + cleaning  
up Blackberry patch  
+ Raspberries.

Dec 3rd Fine + mild. Had  
Grandpa up for dinner.

Dec 4th Unloaded last  
car of manure this fall  
had 10 cars in fall <sup>4 cars</sup> in spring  
cost \$960.03, weather  
very fine in the morning  
but cloudy with east  
winds at night looks  
like rain.

Dec 5th. Rained a little in  
the night, but very cold  
all day with heavy  
north west wind.  
Finished cleaning out  
berry bushes, also  
finished team ploughing  
and put in fence posts  
around hot bed grounds -  
looks like freezing up  
now.

Dec 6th Ground frozen this  
morning. Covering strawberries  
have G Hammond + F Jordan

Dec 7th. Covering strawberries  
cold this morning ground  
frozen solid, a few snow  
flurries, and rained  
+ freezing all after  
noon.

Dec 8th Raining + freezing  
all morning. Cleared

up at noon. Had Lavene  
Kemo helping to put on  
& fit storm sashes.

Dec 8th - Cold & cloudy  
finished putting on storm  
sashes. Cost \$40.50 for sash  
\$1.50 for paint \$6.00 for carpenter  
\$48.00 in all for the 10 sash.

Three years married today.  
Dec 10th. Cool & Bright;  
ground frozen solid, just  
like winter. Had Mr & Mrs  
B. out for the day.

Dec 11th. Covering strawberries  
finished tonight, covered  
about 6 acres and about  
6 acres old bed not  
covered beginning to  
look like a storm.

Dec 12th. Windy & cold this  
morning drapping manure

into Raspberries stopped  
about 11 o'clock too windy  
John Chissey Ida &  
Hattie and our family  
all down home for  
Chicken dinner. Very  
cold tonight.

Dec 13th Very cold today  
nearly zero last night.

Dec 14th. not quite so cold  
today; but snowing  
all day.

Dec 15. Very cold again  
all day, with a  
couple of inches of snow  
on ground.

Dec 16. Cool & frosty.  
started fixing some  
of the crates in the  
barn. but keeps me  
busy going twice a  
day to Johns to do chores

so he is not able to put his foot down to the ground yet.

Dec 17<sup>th</sup> snowing this morning (Sunday), turning cold tonight quite a lot of snow arrived in Los Angeles 3 years ago today.

Dec 18<sup>th</sup> Fair & very cold some sleighs out.

Dec 19<sup>th</sup>. Fair and not quite so cold. went up to the city for a few presents, also hunting up some barrels & orange boxes, have some promised.

Dec 20<sup>th</sup> Cloudy and a little milder trying to deal old car off but nothing doing yet.

Dec 21<sup>st</sup> Clearing up the truck after dumping manure. weather milder.

Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> Went in to Hamilton to Carrolls and got 121 Orange crates at 104 each - Got a load of coal two tons from Fred Thomas, Waterdown had to pay \$20.<sup>00</sup> per ton it seems an awful price, weather milder tonight, looks like snow or rain.

Dec 23<sup>rd</sup> a little milder but cloudy drove around delivering some Xmas presents.

Dec 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday was home all day. had Bells drop in with a Xmas present.

Dec 25<sup>th</sup> the Xmas Day went up to Hamilton

for the day all had  
 a good time I guess.  
 weather was mild  
 thawing off the snow  
 got home about 8 o'clock

Dec 26th went up to the  
 city for some barrels  
 got 135 from McDougal  
 at 25¢ the ones we  
 some money for carrots,  
 looks like rain.

Dec 27th. Cloudy and getting  
 colder.

Dec 28. Cold north east  
 snow storm all day -  
 looks like real winter

Dec 29th. Cold + clear  
 real winter weather

Dec 30th. Have a bad cold  
 in bed all day

Dec 31st Sunday. Raining all  
 day, and very icy.

Total amounts of fruit  
 and vegetables sold  
 during this season

Strawberries	1484 crates
Raspberries	225 "
Lemons	50 "
Cherries -	1605 Baskets
Apples	450 "
apples	516 barrels
Plums	4475 baskets
pears (all varieties)	910 "
" Bartlett's	145 bushels
" Kieffer's	180 bushels
" Kieffer's	11 barrels.
peaches	313 baskets
Blk Currants	9 "
Grapes	87 x 6 qt baskets
Cabbages -	175 orange crates
"	115 bags
" sold loose	118 doz
"	5 tons 120 lbs -

Asparagus	1 1/4 bbls
Tomatoes	3040 bbls
" Burlington Cannery	1194 bus.
Cucumbers	386 bbls
Cauliflowers	88 crates
Peppers	1068 bbls
Corn	100 bags cont. 1000 doz
Turnips	263 bags
Carrots	102 "
Pumpkins loose	8 doz
" canning co	10 tons 12500 lbs

besides 9 truck loads of  
Turnips Carrots Cabbage  
Cauliflowers + peppers  
taken to Hamilton market.

Package used -	27 quart crates	17 59
	quart boxes	475 00
	11 qt baskets with covers	12 50
	apple barrels	5 27
	orange crates	2 63
	Cabbage Sacks	1 15
	sugar bags for corn + vegetables	4 65

Gross

Total Sales for year

Sales Muskoka Sales	8,749.57
" Commission Home	3,212.01
" Local Dealers	1,466.21
" Canning Factories	894.94
Hamilton Market	175.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,497.73</b>

Net Sales -	6,900.00
Total expenses -	7,597.73

Some of the heavy expenses

Total Daily wages were 1540.85

" Estimate Berry picking <sup>SS</sup> 742.42

" " Plum <sup>Rays</sup> 250.00 133.25

Pear " 48.00

Total Packages <sup>cherry maker</sup> 1173.67

as follows. 14 93.67

1859 crates 25 48 47.50

4850 berry boxes 67.00 333.60

1200 11 qt bbls 1080.00



Brought from last page 1860 00

576 apple barrels 67¢ - 383 09

263 Cabbage crates 15¢ 39 43

580 Sacks & Bags 10 58 00

Total all packages 2310 52

14 cars manure \$960.03

Trees from Davidson 276 00

Nelson Taxes 265 70

Flamboro Taxes 393 25

Hot Bed Sash + Lumber 77 00

Glass + Cotton 27 75

Spray material ✓ 113 25

Small seeds } 20 36

clover " } 36 25

Rye " 25 00

Cats 20 00

Some Totals of expenses year 1922

Manure total 960.03

all Fruit packages 2310 52

Totals fruit picking <sup>work</sup> piece 1493 67

" Daily wages 1540 85

" Trees 276.50

" Taxes 659 45

" Hotbeds fixtures 104 75

" Spraying expense 113 25

" Seeds 101 61