

David Allan (1808-1895) 1865 Diary

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-/v 70¢ {Printed page} CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR 1865. LAW TERMS. BANK HOLIDAYS.

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BROWN BROTHERS,

MANUFACTURING STATIONERS,

66 KING STREET EAST.

-/v 70¢

Cost of Barn on Bridget Farm.

Excavation	\$18.20
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Masonry buidling	\$51.60
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Stone	\$
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Lime	\$
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Sand	\$
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Fanning including extras	\$85.00
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Lumber	
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Shingles	
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Nails	
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Hinges & fastenings	
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Sleepers	
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Raising	
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Rafters	
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Hamilton June 22d 1865

Mr David Allan

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aug 18 86 ft 6 inches iron Railing

 13 iron posts

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January, MONDAY, 2. 1865.

Fine weather

TUESDAY, 3.

Very hard frost this

WEDNESDAY, 4.

This is the monthly fair day a great many cattle were in, but not many in good order for killing. I was from home, having gone up to Woodstock to look after Andrew George Smiths note which was protested

January, THURSDAY, 5. 1865.

This is another fine day, a good deal of wheat is comming in as well as Pork, the latter not quite so firm, perhaps on account of the appearance of thaw, as the snow is melting on the sidewalks.

FRIDAY, 6.

Much the same kind of weather as it was yesterday, money came in pretty freely to day and was much wanted having large demands to meet this week and next

SATURDAY, 7.

{No entry}

January, MONDAY, 9. 1865.

{No entry}

TUESDAY, 10.

{No entry}

WEDNESDAY, 11.

Went up to Elora and received payment for my 2 shares in the Gravel Road \$50.00 The sleighing is good.

January, THURSDAY, 12. 1865.

Fine winter day, a good deal of wheat coming in to day, got a note discounted

FRIDAY, 13.

{No entry}

SATURDAY, 14.

{No entry}

January, MONDAY, 16. 1865.

It was very cold this morning 6° below zero and fine any snow falling. John Idington passed up this morning and has made arrangements to leave Mount Forest on Thursday first. The Ontario Bank has opened a Credit for me of \$15,000.

TUESDAY, 17.

Fine pleasant frosty weather but not quite so cold as yesterday. I obtained this day a Transcript from A. A. Baker Clerk of 1st Division Court, Guelph, and forwarded to John Idington Esq. Mount Forest*, to be transmitted by him for Registration in the County of Grey, to be against the lands of Michael Stonehouse, Date of suit 3d May 1861. for \$84.67 & is now \$91.54.

Int. from June 61. Transt. 1.50

*Durham is the 2d Division Court County of Grey, the Clerks name is Wm. Jackson

{Transcriber's note - no entries after the above date until January, FRIDAY, 27 1865}

FRIDAY, 27.

Very fine winter day. Mrs A & I started for Fishers Mills on a visit to P. Idington and found it very cold going there against the wind, found them well, John Thorp died this afternoon at 3 o'clock I wrote to my Sister and posted it to day.

Mr Chaffey of Brockville has the Mortgage on Thorps Hotel for £900 + 200 for Interest = £1100

SATURDAY, 28.

{No entry}

January, MONDAY, 30. 1865.

Misty and thick this morning, the frost not so keen as last week. John Thorp Sen^r Funeral takes place this afternoon at 2 p.m.

TUESDAY, 31.

{No entry}

February, WEDNESDAY, 1. 1865.

Fine weather. This is the monthly Fair day, there is a great many cattle in and the price pritty good. I saw a Locomotive and tender run of the track to day at noon, caused by the track at the market crossing being filled up with snow.

February, THURSDAY, 2. 1865.

A great deal of wheat came in to day

FRIDAY, 3.

Threatening rain but a good many sleighs in with wheat, it began to rain much heavier about ½ past 3, when they had just then got the Locomotive that run of on Wednesday on the track again it required 2 of the most powerfull Engines to do it

SATURDAY, 4.

{No entry}

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February, MONDAY, 13. 1865.

Very cold morning 22° below Zero at 7 a.m

TUESDAY, 14.

13° below Zero at 7 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, 15.

Cold raw day

February, THURSDAY, 16. 1865.

Weather much milder which has improved the sleighing

FRIDAY, 17.

Mild and has much the appearance of thaw

SATURDAY, 18.

{No entry}

February, MONDAY, 20. 1865

{No entry}

TUESDAY, 21.

There has been a good deal of thawing to day and the streets very wet {Transcriber's note - following text written in purple ink} Mind to get the Flood gates clear of ice, and ready to hoist in case of sudden thaw

WEDNESDAY, 22.

The weather is very mild to day & misty and turned into heavy rain during the forenoon, in the afternoon it got fair, and I ordered the flood gates to be cleared of ice {Transcriber's note - underlined in purple ink}

February, THURSDAY, 23. 1865.

No thaw to day Mr Swan of Mt Forest came here yesterday & has allowed his note to be protested in the Bank, he has to day made every enquirey for money, without any success, in one place 3 percent a month was asked, Left at 4 p.m. for Hamilton

FRIDAY, 24.

The weather in Hamilton to day is mild and fine winter weather, but trade is remarkably dull and dismal 2 failures reported. returned this evening

SATURDAY, 25.

{No entry}

February, MONDAY, 27. 1865.

Hard frost all day, but yesterday was very slopy

TUESDAY, 28.

A great deal of snow fell during the night

March, WEDNESDAY, 1. 1865.

This has been a fine Fair day a great many cattle and people were in attendance, the prices were not quite so good as they were at the Elora Fair yesterday.

March, THURSDAY, 2. 1865.

To day is rather slushey walking on account of the thaw and the depth of snow. This is our fast day in our Church the attendance was thin

FRIDAY, 3.

The weather still soft. Division Court is held to day, my case against Jas Trainer & Patrick Groit for their dogs having killed 10 of my sheep in Nov last came of to day, a jury of 5 was empaneled and they gave their verdict in favour of the defendant

SATURDAY, 4.

Very heavy Snow this morning, but it cleared off during the day.

March, MONDAY, 6. 1865.

This is a charming day, the frost during the early morning must have been about Zero as at 7am it was 4° above it. The Building Society meeting was held to day and we devided £5 a share

TUESDAY, 7.

This is a mild day and very soft under foot, the sun has a powerfull effect on the snow now.

WEDNESDAY, 8.

{No entry}

March, THURSDAY, 9. 1865.

This is a mild day with close fine rain after some mist in the morning

FRIDAY, 10.

This is quite a cold frosty day, considerable snow has fallen during the night which has improved the bare parts of the road near Town.

SATURDAY, 11.

This is a very cold blustery day, The Revenue Inspector Telegraphed to Quebec to ascertain from the department if "He can Bond {v} Spirits manufactured since the 1st instant or accept duty at once. {v} - before 15th Inst.

March, MONDAY, 13. 1865.

This is a moderate day - but yesterday was a cold disagreeable day, the wind was very cutting and a great deal of snow fell during the day. Mr A.B. Stewart was here & past down this evening on his return to Montreal

TUESDAY, 14.

{No entry}

WEDNESDAY, 15.

{No entry}

March, THURSDAY, 16. 1865.

This is a blustery ~~cold~~ wet & rainy morning, and continued through a considerable part of the day, went up in the rain to the Marble Works with Mrs M^cLean to examine the monuments &c. Attended a meeting of Assurance to day on Quinlan's loss at Salem, wherein there is evidence of its being set on fire, his claim was \$300 on Brick shop \$300 on stock of boots & shoes, the board refused to pay the claim in full, and accepted his offer to take \$450.00

FRIDAY, 17.

This day is quite a change from yesterday, dry clear & frosty, but warmer during the middle of the day and thawing the snow very fast

SATURDAY, 18.

The wind blew very strong and a great deal of rain fell during the night, that the Mill dam was so full & overflowing that the water entered the lower floor of the Mill, but after hoisting all the flood gates, which were quite loose and free having been examined and the ice cut away some weeks ago, and then quite easy to lift.

March, MONDAY, 20. 1865.

This is a fine day, but thawing very fast. The Court of Assises began at noon John Idington here had 2 cases,

TUESDAY, 21.

Weather still mild, and thawing fast. The rain coming on this afternoon will have a dangerous effect if it continues in creating a great flood in the River all the gates are now open

WEDNESDAY, 22.

This is a very rough morning strong wind rain and sleet the greater part of the day & got worse in the afternoon. The water in the Dam is rising and is now higher than I have seen it, I took the precaution to load the low bridge with stones, it is washing clear over the middle pair of Bridge, to night there is a very fierce snow storm, it is now (10pm) passing and beginning to lower

March, THURSDAY, 23 1865.

This is a frosty morning and find the water about a foot lower, the Mill stood all day yesterday and was started this morning but found that the Wheel was labouring so much in back water that I stopt it for to day also the water was up 2 inches at noon from the melting of the snow.

FRIDAY, 24.

{No entry}

SATURDAY, 25.

{No entry}

April, MONDAY, 3. 1865.

This is somewhat of a cold blowey day yet clear and dry, Held the Annual Meeting of the Building Society, and re elected all the old officers again

TUESDAY, 4.

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WEDNESDAY, 5

{No entry}

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