

1885

Mr James Cameron Island Dec 24<sup>th</sup>  
 Broke on Stack 3 Tons Fine & Wind  
 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day Fine not much snow in  
 the fields ice pretty well Broke up Freezing  
 to night & Wind and the ice a making some  
 Ice took near morning in some places a good  
 many air holes 26<sup>th</sup> open up from the foot of  
 Francis Island the steamboat Channel Free  
 Fine Virginia Turned very sudden sick & ill  
 Changed to West 27<sup>th</sup> Fine Ice making some  
 and took through to night Leander got a Rat  
 At 10 in the Evangelist Day 28<sup>th</sup> First Croft  
 On the ice Leander and I the ice thin First  
 time Leander to Summerstown Bought a  
 Ward Sewing 2 cents Bought of Nicholson  
 10 axe handle 10 Bought of J S Sumner 1 lb of  
 45 paid Kausins 10 paid Kiffle 50 paid got a Rat  
 Down from J Hamilton 25<sup>th</sup> Our Angus Birth  
 Cropped got a Ride up from J Hamilton Bought  
 15 Dollars of Flour from J S Sumner  
 Tom Jack to take it Down to Hamilton  
 Bought of Nicholson's 1 pair of overshoe 1.75  
 Brought home Nicholson's Bag Out 35<sup>th</sup> Ice  
 Busting side of shore 30<sup>th</sup> Firing a place  
 for the sheep in the shed 2 men crossing  
 over to Salmon River Fine ice Breaking  
 some to night 31<sup>st</sup> Last Day of the year & Wind  
 Fine commenced to Rain Ice Breaking all up  
 put in all of the Rest of the 3 Tow Stack Leander  
 and I Fired for Eels got none Leander got a Rat  
 1<sup>st</sup> of January 1886 Firing in the new year  
 the Boys all shooting shot a Duck Leander got  
 a Rat took in the Honey-Bees in then put them  
 out West Wind snowed a little 2<sup>nd</sup> chopping in  
 oak Field Leander got a House-Rat in his trap  
 Ice going Down seen a Boat Fishing Eels