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TERMS AND COURTS

Hilary, 1st Monday in February to Saturday of ensuing week.

Easter, 3rd Monday in May to Saturday of 2nd week thereafter.

One Judge of each of the Courts is to sit in open Court every week, as well in as out of term, except during vacation. One Judge may sit for both courts of Common Law.

County Court Terms are four, commencing respectively on the 1st of Monday in January, April, July and October in each year, and ending on Saturday of same week.

Assizes—Twice in each year in every county or union of counties in Ontario, between Hilary and Easter Terms, and between the 21st of August and Michaelmas Term. In the County of York there are 2 additional Courts, one on the vacation between Michaelmas and Hilary Terms, and in the County of Wentworth there is one additional between Michaelmas and Hilary Terms.

Sittings of Courts of Assize may be held separate and apart from the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and either on same or different day, and sittings may be held in any County for trial without Jury whenever directed by the Courts.

County Courts.—Sitting commence on 2nd Tuesday in June and December, except in York where there are four, commencing respectively on the 2nd Tuesday in March, May, Sept. & Dec.

General Sessions are held at same time as the several County Courts.

The County Judge's Criminal Court sits from time to time for trial of prisoners out of Sessions and without Jury.

Heir, Devisee and Assignee Commissioners sit on 1st Monday and January and July, and on the 13 days next ensuing the said days respectively, Sundays and Holidays excepted.

Court of Chancery.—A Judge sits in Court almost daily for the transaction of business. Hearing and examination of witnesses are at such times and places as are appointed by the Court.

Court of Appeal sits at Toronto twice and every year, once in January and once in June.

Supreme Court sits in Ottawa 3rd Monday in January and 1st Monday in June.

Exchequer Court at any time and place appointed by rule of Court.

Long Vacation from 1st July to 21st August.

ECLIPSES

In the year 1877 there will be three Eclipses of the Sun and two of the Moon.

I. A total Eclipse of the Moon, February 27, 1877. Partially visible in Nova Scotia.

II. A partial Eclipse of the Sun, March 14, 1877. Begins on the earth generally March 14, 13 h., 14m. Invisible in Canada.

III. A partial Eclipse of the Sun, August 8, 1877. Begins on the earth generally August 8, 16 h., 12 m. Invisible in Canada.

IV. A total Eclipse of the Moon, August 23 1877. Visible in Canada.

V. A partial Eclipse of the Sun, September 6 and 7, 1877. Begins on the earth generally Sept. 6, 23 h., 10 m. Invisible in Canada.

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== TABLE OF STAMP DUTIES ==

Stamps required on Notes, Drafts, or Bills of Exchange, executed singly:

For \$25.....1 cent

" \$50 and over \$25,.....2 "

" \$100 and over \$50,.....3 "

" each fraction over \$100.....3 "

On Drafts or Bills of Exchange in more parts than two:—For ...\$100 1 cent

' each fractional part of \$100 1 "

BANK HOLIDAYS

ONTARIO.—New Year's Day ; Good Friday Queen's Birth Day ; Christmas Day.

QUEBEC.—New Year's Day ; Epiphany ; Annunciation ; Good Friday ; Ascension ; Corpus Christi ; St. Peter's ; St. Paul's ; All Saints ; Conception ; Christmas and Queen's Birth Day ; also, any day appointed by Proclamation for a General Fast or Thanksgiving.

LIST OF SUNDAYS IN 1877

January,.....7 — 14 — 21 — 28

February,.....4 — 11 — 18 — 25

March,.....4 — 11 — 18 — 25

April

Charts of Phases of the Moon for each month in 1877

Jan. MONDAY, 1. 1877

A mild winter day, fully 18 inches of snow on the level, sleighing superb. Our whole family took dinner at J. C. Snell's with the young folks from Old Mrs Snell's lot 14. We spent afternoon and evening in pleasant discourse, games, and music. On the whole a nice quiet New Year's.

TUESDAY, 2.

Forenoon was spent at blacksmith's shop No 10. getting a new shoe on the sleigh to cost \$1.50. Afternoon cleaned up a small load of Treadwell wheat for market. Spent this evening at Edmonton Grange No 130. Officers installed for current year, and the accounts audited.

WEDNESDAY, 3.

A bitter cold morning, mercury 50 below zero. Sold to K. C & Co. 25 bush wheat @ \$1.17 per bush good wheat is now worth \$1.25 but ours is badly shrunken. Paid subscriptions for four newspapers. Banner, Globe, C Guardian & Conservator. Tonight was at Teachers S School meeting.

Jan. THURSDAY, 4. 1877.

Done very little work today beside feeding and caring for the inhabitants of the barnyard. Mr & Mrs R Crawford of Oshawa paid us a visit. Mrs. J C Snell and her daughters here for the evening and all night. In town this afternoon, mailed subsⁿ for the S S Banner 75¢ to Toronto.

FRIDAY, 5.

Drove to town this morning in the sleigh with the girls. Afternoon was driving in to cutter the colt "Nellie" for the first time. The "Peel Banner" comes this week enlarged and improved. Took tea this evening at Mr H H Modeland's. Was at public meeting of Y P Assoc^{on}. Songs by Redstone of Toronto Kelby of town.

SATURDAY, 6.

Just a splendid day, bright sun and almost thawing but not quite. Drove team up to Townsend's (near Caledon) and brought from thence 8 long freestones for cellar steps @ 50¢ each. At home tonight reading up S S Lesson.

Jan. SUNDAY, 7. 1877

Spent the forenoon at Ebenezer S School lesson I Kings XII 12 to 20th "The Kingdom of Solomon divided in two parts, Judah & Israel". The proceeds of the late anniversary of the school amounted to \$50.00 This evening heard Rev Jno Learoyd preach in Brampton. text. Matt VI 20th verse

MONDAY, 8.

A cutter drive to G.T.R.R Depot with mother and Viney who were going to Toronto on business. Mailed a "Banner" to Bay City and a "Guardian" to Osborn Missouri. Remainder of the day's operations was a horseback ride to Rich^d Watson's and another drive to R.R. Station. A bitter cold night.

TUESDAY 9.

Six degrees below zero at daylight. A sleigh drive to school house and thence to Willow Lodge and helping neighbour Learment at a small job was forenoon's work. After dinner I did some work at auditing the Grange Account Books. In town tonight for an hour.

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Jan. WEDNESDAY, 10. 1877.

Drove sleigh to Townsends today and brought from thence 70 sq ft of flagstones @ \$2.25, they are about 3 inches thick and vary in size from 2 ft square to 4 by 8 ft. Went to Willow Lodge tonight on business. took tea there and spent the evening in chat.

THURSDAY, 11.

Was engaged all forenoon in lining up the inside of piggery with inch boards for to protect the Berkshires from this severe winter weather. Afternoon and evening we had visitors, Miss R. Carter and four of Robert Carter's young folks. the time passed off pleasantly at cards, music, and conversation.

FRIDAY, 12.

The coldest day we have yet experienced this winter, at daybreak the mercury stood 18° below zero, and all day has stood from 8 to 10° below. The biggest job done today was to drive sister Emma up to J C Snell's. Was in town an hour tonight and brought home an armful of newspapers.

Jan. SATURDAY, 13. 1877.

Weather has moderated somewhat but still is cold with a high west wind. Done little work today beside tending to the wants and necessities of the barnyard and wood-box in the house. Had an abundance of first-class newspapers, Weekly Globe, Toledo Blade, Co. Gentleman, SS Banner, Conservator, Peel Banner.

SUNDAY, 14.

At S School this morning lesson I Kings XII 25 to 33, "Jereboam's sin of leading the kingdom of Israel into idolatry". Took dinner at J C Snell's and spent afternoon there, reading and conservation. At C M church Brampton tonight and heard Rev Saml Salton preach text. Ephesians, V 2nd verse.

MONDAY, 15.

Drove sleigh up to Willow Lodge this morning for to take a load of Berkshires to Brampton R.R. Depot, there were 5 sleigh loads about 46 hogs. J C Snell goes with them to Chicago. A cold Nor-East snow storm started at 3 P.M. and the night is very stormy.

Jan. TUESDAY, 16. 1877.

With the help of Jno Learment we dressed for beef a 1 yr & 10 mos old steer, weighed 517 lbs beef, hide 70 lbs sold to N. White @ \$4.00. Was in town a short time this afternoon. The storm of yesterday has added 6 inches of snow to the great quantity we had already.

WEDNESDAY, 17.

Made two trips up to J C Snell's today, taking a quarter of beef. Brought down from there 8 young Berkshires for to feed as they are overstocked. The annual meeting of Peel Co Agr Society was held in Brampton today they decided to purch{ase} {ink blot} new grounds & put up new buildings for the fairs.

THURSDAY, 18.

Mercury was nearly up to freezing point which is the highest we have yet experienced this year. Done very little work today beyond the usual routine of chores. Mailed a letter to Mr A Ferguson Bay City and one to Mr J Ferguson Missouri. Reading the Peel Banner tonight.

Jan. FRIDAY, 19. 1877.

Just after sunrise this morning in company with neighbour Jno Learment and our teams we set out for "Cook's" Saw Mill, Esquesing 10 miles west. Brought home for my load 12 squares of shingles (8 of which were for Learment) @ \$1.70 per sqyd. Part of our folks went to night to a scientific lecture in the school-house.

SATURDAY, 20.

Spent forenoon at the annual task of cleaning harness and applying lamp black & coal oil. Went to town after dinner and attended a public meeting in Courthouse to set on foot a scheme of running a Temperance Hotel in Brampton under a joint stock company plan. Mailed a letter to J Vick Rochester. Got letter from Oshawa.

SUNDAY, 21.

Went in sleigh to S School, the lesson - I Kings XVI 25 to 33 "The kings of Israel, Omri & Ahab". The largest attendance of scholars this year. Spent afternoon reading De Witt Talmage's sermons. Tonight heard Rev S Salton preach in C M church, text. Romans XIII 11th verse.

Jan. MONDAY, 22. 1877.

Drove to town with a chopping and a few bags of barley for sale. Mailed a letter with 25¢ in stamps to W W Bostwick of Cincinnati, O. In Brampton tonight and heard Bishop Carmon lecture in M. E. Church, subject, "Trade and get rich." The lecture was full of wit and sound homely instruction.

TUESDAY, 23.

Had a trip today up to Townsends lime-Kilns and brought home 12 bush lime @ 12½¢ per bush. They had just opened the first kiln of the season consequently the lime is fresh and clean. We are having fine steady cold weather.

WEDNESDAY, 24.

The record of today's transactions is but a slim one after the usual chores in the barnyard which are about 4 hours work every day and has to be done regularly and carefully. Was over to Guy Bull's tonight and bought from him 1500 new bricks @ \$6.50

Jan. THURSDAY, 25. 1877.

Brought from "Chisholm's Mills" at Eldorado 1600 lbs of bran which was paid for 2½ months ago @ \$10 per ton, now worth \$214.00. Average weight of bag of bran is 54 lbs. In Brampton a short time this afternoon.

FRIDAY, 26.

For the first time this season I spent half a day swinging the flail on several floorings of peas. For the past month have been feeding to the sheep unthreshed peas and they are showing their keep in their thrifty appearance, but the peas won't stand it. Tonight in town and at Choir Practice. Received Vick's Floral Guide.

SATURDAY, 27.

At sunrise I started with team and sleigh for Cook's saw mill, Esquesing and brought home from thence 400 ft of 2nd class {?}ch @ \$6.00 per m. and 130 ft of scantling and planks @ \$9.00 per m. Yesterday & today mercury just at freezing point. The nights are superb.

Jan. SUNDAY, 28. 1877.

Still another forenoon spent at S School lesson I Kings XVII 1 to 16, "The prophet Elijah the Tishbite appears before king Ahab" The "Messenger" this morning has a portrait of the late P. P. Bliss, the noted S. S. Musician. Rev J Learoyd preached tonight, text Hebrews II 2, 3, & 4th

MONDAY, 29.

Drove to town this morning with the folks to spend the day a visiting. Brought a load of sand from Hunter's pit 1st line. And bright warm day and thawing fast. Spent this evening in town at Y. P. A meeting, had a good programme of songs, readings. The nights are superb now.

TUESDAY, 30.

The Co of Peel S. S. Association held its 19th Annual Session at Claude today and tomorrow. Em and I drove up there this afternoon. Took tea at Mr John Smith's and staid for evening meeting, addresses by Revs Croll Burns and Mr Fotheringham. The discussions during day meeting were lively and well sustained.

Jan. WEDNESDAY, 31. 1877.

Came home last night at 12 o'clock. Early this morning we again set out for Claude. The interest manifested by all at convention is enthusiastic, the church is crowded at every session. At tonight's meeting, Revs Millard, McFaul & McLaren, \$120.00 were raised next meeting in Brampton.

Feb. THURSDAY, 1.

One month of this year has already slipped quickly away. The weather has been first class for winter. Today a thaw is in progress and the sleighing is getting thin, and bare ground showing itself in the fields. Was working all day in the barn making preparations for straw cutter.

FRIDAY, 2.

Today was spent at R Watson's with team helping to cut straw by horsepower. In town tonight and at Choir practice for preparation for singing at a tea-meeting shortly. The weather grows warmer every day, the snow is soft and fast passing away. Received a letter from London, England Dan Fletcher

Feb. SATURDAY, 3. 1877.

Making preparations for cutting hay and straw on Monday next. Was at Willow Lodge a short time this afternoon on business partly and on pleasure partly. Received a newspaper from Bay City, besides other papers from different parts.

SUNDAY, 4.

Quarterly meeting at Brampton C M Church. Rev Jno Learoyd preached. text. I Timothy I, 15th The lovefeast and sacrament followed immediately after the sermon. These services are the life of the church members. At church tonight Mr Learoyd preached a funeral sermon from Text Rev I 7th verse.

MONDAY, 5.

With R Watson's horsepower and straw cutter we cut about 3 loads of oat straw and one load of hay into lengths about one inch. Had a call from Walker Bros to see the live stock. Spent evening at Willow Lodge in chat and reading the news.

Feb. TUESDAY, 6. 1877.

Was hauling manure from both yards into small piles in front fields, drew 14 loads. At Edmonton Grange tonight a good attendance of members and a good deal of business done. Weather dull and cloudy, only thawing just a little.

WEDNESDAY, 7.

Spent forenoon at same work as yesterday, putting 20 loads on rather more than an acre. Afternoon was hauling hay from one mow to another for sake of convenience in feeding. To town this evening on horseback a short while. Made a call on a very sick friend Willey Newhouse.

THURSDAY, 8.

Threshing peas with the flail. Had a trip up to Willow Lodge on Berkshire business. Had a visit afternoon and evening from cousins Misses Mary Pearen Sarah & Thomas Pearen from the Gore of Toronto. Splendid winter weather.

Feb. FRIDAY, 9. 1877.

Drove to town this morning in the buggy with two young ladies who staid all last night with us. Was at C Kelly's Barber shop and had a pretty close crop off. Visitors today Mr & Mrs Isaac Modeland of 3rd line east. Spent evening at Choir Practice.

SATURDAY, 10.

Staid last night at Mr Wm Newhouse's and sat up with Willy, he is so ill that he must have constant attention day and night. Uncle Adam Ferguson arrived here from Bay City this morning on his way to Shelburn. Done very little work for two days. The weather is all that could be desired.

SUNDAY, 11.

At E. U. S School this morning. lesson I Kings XVIII 15 to 29, "Elijah on Mount Carmel with the prophets of Baal". One of the most interesting narratives contained in the Bible. At Brampton C M church tonight. Rev S Salton preached text, Matt XXV 30th verse. A warm day and mud increasing on the roads.

Feb. MONDAY, 12. 1877.

Father and Uncle Adam drove to "Willow Lodge" on a visit and some business. Went this afternoon with Brampton C. M. choir on G.T.R to Stewartstown for to sing at a festival on the opening of a new C M church. We had a lively time. Returned by the midnight train.

TUESDAY, 13.

A cold nip came last night and stopped the thawing short. Spent today threshing peas and a trip to blacksmith's shop for some horse shoeing. At home tonight talking Bay City with Uncle Adam and some of his experiences in that city.

WEDNESDAY, 14.

Just at day break this morning Uncle Adam and I started in the sleigh for Mono Road Depot. T. G & B. R.R. a distance of 12 miles he took the cars for Shelburn. Afternoon father and I drove over to Harrison's Auction Sale of blooded stock. Have travelled 40 miles today.

Feb. THURSDAY, 15. 1877.

Spent the day in the lower woods finishing a job of cutting up and drawing home some cordwood logs, also cut in to stake lengths (7½ ft) a slippery elm tree and drew it up to yard. This is perhaps the most durable kind of elm when it gets thoroughly dried.

FRIDAY, 16.

In the woods again today, Chopping and cutting some more stake timber from rock elm. Father went to town and bought a new shaft for cutter. Tonight was spent in Brampton at Choir practice. From thence to sit up all night at Mr Wm Newhouses's

SATURDAY, 17.

Bought from R Watson 10 bush of "Imporium" oats a new variety @ 75¢ per bush. After noon was spent in the barn threshing peas and various jobs. Weather for past three weeks has been remarkably fine just warm enough to thaw a little every day.

Feb. SUNDAY, 18. 1877.

Was at S School this morning lesson I Kings XVIII, 36 to 45. "Elijah and his sacrifice". This narrative makes a deeply interesting S School lesson. In town tonight and heard Rev W. H. Poole of Toronto preach. Text. Daniel II, 18th verse. A sermon to young men.

MONDAY, 19.

A cold blustering morning. Drove my sister over to School. Up to J C Snell's and brought Em home. Tonight a load of us went to town and heard in C. M. Church Rev W. H. Poole lecture on "Saxon race the descendants of Ten lost tribes of Israel. It was highly interesting & instructive.

TUESDAY, 20.

Working in the barn at the peas. Making a picture frame as an experiment from basswood. Spent tonight at Edmonton Grange, a large attendance and had some discussion on trade and things in general.

Feb. WEDNESDAY, 21. 1877.

Just about the handsomest day we have had this winter, old Sol had a cloudless sky and his strong warm rays started the mud on the roads. Spent most of the day in barn cleaning up grain Drove to town this evening and {illegible}. Jennie Peacock to visit us. Received a letter from Uncle J Ferguson Missouri.

THURSDAY, 22.

Another day as fine as yesterday. Brought home from R Watson's 10 bush of "Imporium" white oats, Took them in payment of an old acc/ at 75¢ per bush. Was hauling some cordwood that Maxwell is cutting for us in lower woods and piling it. In town a short time tonight, buying some new music books for S School.

FRIDAY, 23.

Drew on wagon to Brampton this morning and sold to J Milner 54 bush barley @ 62¢ per bush. Brought home 5 barrels of "White land Plaster" @ \$1.50 each (330 lbs weight in each barrel) This ends our barley trade for the present have 36 bush yet for seed. At "Willow Lodge" half an hour this afternoon.

Feb. SATURDAY, 24. 1877.

Getting ready for market a little "Treadwell" wheat, the last of grain that we have to sell of last year's crop. Sold to T Milner 26 bush of wheat @ \$1.40 per bush the sample was inferior. Bought 8 bush of fine American corn @ 60¢ per bush. Centre Road very muddy.

SUNDAY, 25.

Walked on the snowcrust on roadside up to S School at 9.30 A.M. lesson I Kings XIX 8 to 20, "Elijah at Mt Horeb", where God manifested himself to him in four different ways. viz. wind, earthquake, fire, and in a still small voice. Tonight heard Jno Learoyd preach in C M church Brampton. text. Acts II 38th verse.

MONDAY, 26.

A buggy drive to town with Viney and father. They took 10 oclock train for Toronto. Attended to the things at home remainder of the day. Met the folks at the train this evening. Walked to town tonight, and spent an hour or two at Y. P. Association, from thence to Mr W Newhouse's to sit up all night with Willie.

Feb. TUESDAY, 27. 1877.

Was engaged all day at hauling cordwood out of "lower woods" into a pile this side the Etobicoke, have 9½ cords in one pile. W Maxwell doing the chopping at 70¢ per cord. Weather continues very fine, hard frosts at night. Spent evening at home at sleeping at double rate.

WEDNESDAY, 28.

This forenoon we were drawing clover hay from shed into sheep pen mow. Afternoon father drove Em to town for her music lesson. Was splitting elm stakes Received a letter from Uncle Adam at Shelburn, he thinks a great deal of Amaranth. Remailed Co. Gent. back to Office of Publication to stop it.

March. THURSDAY, 1.

The loveliest day this winter. the sun shone brightly all day from a cloudless blue sky. Completed the job of yesterday making 140 elm stakes also we overhauled and put some repairs on the roller (land). This evening in town and spent a couple of hours at Mr R Lowe's in company with a few young folks.

March. FRIDAY, 2. 1877.

A contrast to yesterday. It rained nearly all day in westerly showers although warm and thawing. The principal work of today was pea threshing and practising obstetric{s} in sheep house, the first young lamb of the season having arrived yesterday. Em and I spent evening playing duetts on piano.

SATURDAY, 3.

This morning paid Maxwell for cutting 7 cords of wood @ 70¢ per cord. Father went to town for medicine for mother and to the post office. Afternoon at the peas and fanning them, are a fine sample and yield good to bulk of straw. Tonight preparing for the Sabbath.

SUNDAY, 4.

At S School at 10 AM lesson I Kings XXI 4 to 14, "The story of Naboth the Jezreelite". The supt also gave the school ~~another~~ an example of another manner of teaching as shown at S. S. Teachers Institute held in Brampton on Friday last. Tonight heard Rev Jno Learoyd preach text John V 40th verse.

March. MONDAY, 5. 1877.

Drove team and wagon up to "Willow Lodge this morning for to help Jno Snell's sons by taking a load of Berkshires to Brampton RR Depot. They shipped a car load to Chicago. This job took us nearly all day. At home tonight reading newspapers.

TUESDAY, 6.

Father wen to Mill with a load of peas and oats for chopping. Mailed letters one to Oshawa, and one to D Fletcher, London. E'. Received a Toledo "Blade" from Missouri. Spent the day at flailing orchard grass sheaves for seed, it is rather slow work. Mercury at day break was 6° below zero.

WEDNESDAY, 7.

Threshing orchard grass seed continued from yesterday, just half done with the job. tonight have nearly 4 bush of clean seed the result of one day's threshing. Mrs J C Snell spent the day here, seeing the sick folks in our family. In town this afternoon for an hour on business.

March. THURSDAY, 8. 1877.

Snow storm this forenoon, but after dinner it turned to a rain from N.E. and everything outdoors is coated with ice. At a variety of work to day, hauling stakes to "other place" cleaning grass seed &c. Another evening at home.

FRIDAY, 9.

We find this morning a crust of ice on the snow half an inch thick and some sleighing again on the roads. To town in cutter before dinner and sold 6 cords of hardwood to A F Campbell. Afternoon drove a load of wood down for a start. Spent evening at an open meeting of Edmonton Lodge of Good Templars.

SATURDAY, 10.

Made an early start this morning and kept at it steady to draw four loads of wood to Brampton. have now delivered 5 cords. Weather pretty frosty last night was bitter cold. Dr Patullo here tonight seeing mother who has been ill for some time.

March. SUNDAY, 11. 1877.

In the sleigh to S School, lesson II Kings II 1 to 12, "Elijah translated to heaven". One of the most wonderful narratives contained in Old Testament and yet how quietly and simply told. At Brampton C M Church tonight a Mr Brandon of Toronto preached text. Revelations XX 11 & 12th verses.

MONDAY, 12.

A cord of wood to town early making 6 cords to A F Campbell for \$20.00 Bought and drew from Guy Bell's 1200 bricks @ 65¢ per hundred. Had a trip to J C Snell's on business in Berkshires, and another trip to town this evening, on the whole a busy days work.

TUESDAY, 13.

A real handsome day, a bright sun but frosty air. R Watson took a sleigh load of the neighbours over to Mr J Blacks Auction sale beyond Huttonville, and we spent most of the day there. This evening was up at Willow Lodge with a few friends.

March. WEDNESDAY, 14. 1877.

Drove Viney to R R Depot this morning bound to Toronto for the day. Bought at McCulla's planing factory 100 ft of dressed matched lumber for making closets in the house. Visitors today Mrs Jno Snell, Mrs Robt Carter Mrs Trueman of Brampton. Received last night a letter from Oshawa.

THURSDAY, 15.

Made two trips to J C Snell's before dinner on Berkshire errands. Afternoon attacked the job of finishing threshing the orchard grass seed. In town tonight but only made a five minute's stay to Post Office and for the Peel Banner at the printing office.

FRIDAY, 16.

Steady flailing all day completed the grass seed business. Spend one third of the daytime now in the sheep house, we are getting some fine strong lambs just about averaging one for every day in the month. Emm and I drove to town tonight in cutter.

March. SATURDAY, 17. 1877

St Patrick's day in the morning proved to be one of the bitterest cold of the season the mercury falling to 9° below zero at sunrise. The Edmonton Grange received from Seaforth one car load of salt, which arrived and was distributed today. Brought home one ton of it, is very coarse, dry, and clean.

SUNDAY. 18.

Spent forenoon at S School lesson. II Kings II 12 to 25, "The spirit of Elijah doth rest on Elisha" and the contrast in disposition between these two great prophets of God. These lessons contain very many striking incidents and miracles. Heard S Salton preach tonight text. Ezekiel XXXVII 9th & 10th verses. An earnest appeal for a shaking among the dry bones.

MONDAY, 19.

A keen frosty morning. ~~Drove to Brampton for a ton of salt in bulk the Grangers having bought a car load of it.~~ Spent forenoon in barn cleaning orchard grass seed, have in all 9 bush & one peck. Visitors this afternoon & evening Mr & Mrs A F Campbell and Miss Jennie Peacock.

March. TUESDAY, 20. 1877.

Weather continues bright and frosty thawing a little with the brightness of the sun. This afternoon was spent at an Auction Sale of Stewart Aikins farm stock and implements. At Grange meeting tonight. Uncle A Ferguson came tonight from Shelburn.

WEDNESDAY, 21.

A fall of snow some 9 inches on the level, it came quietly without much blustering. Work today consisted principally of care of young stock and odd jobs. Spent evening practising with Emm piano duetts and discoursing some music for Uncle Adam Ferguson.

THURSDAY, 22.

Doing a little carpentry work at making a clothes closet off the hall up stairs, with sized, dressed and matched pine lumber. In town tonight at a meeting held in Concert Hall for to organize a Y. M. C Association in Brampton. Addresses by Messrs Wilkie & Crombie.

March. FRIDAY, 23. 1877.

Finishing the job of yesterday and started building a similiar one off my own bedroom. Uncle A. F. is still visiting here after spending a month at his farm in Amaranth. In town tonight, at Choir Practice.

SATURDAY, 24.

Got through with the closets work. Received from W Rennie of Toronto 7 bush of "Golden Globe" spring wheat for seed costing \$1.87 per bush, it is a good plump sample. Received from Jno Learment \$3.00 on Short Horn acc/. At home tonight at usual Saturday nights work.

SUNDAY, 25.

Raining slightly this morning. At S School, the usual routine of conducting the school was changed. A review of the past quarter's lessons was led by Supt also addresses by Missrs D J McKinnon & J Huxley. Heard Rev J Learoyd preach tonight text. Luke XV a sermon on Prodigal Sons.

March. MONDAY, 26. 1877.

A rainy day, come steadily out of the North with a strong cold wind. Caring for live stock was the principal work of today. Emma & I spent the evening at a small party at Mr Earng{u}y's in Edmonton. Got home at a late hour.

TUESDAY, 27.

For the first time, I commenced trying to do a little in the cabinet making namely a small bedroom baureau for the girls. Have some first class seasoned basswood for the job. Mailed letters to Oakville, and Bay City

WEDNESDAY, 28.

Was pea threshing most of today. It was an extra blustering and stormy day. Spent evening at a party at residence Mrs John Snell only a few of us and we had a lively evenings sport. Hired a boy last night for the summer @ \$12.50

March, Thursday, 29. 1877.

Came home from the party at 4 A.M. and therefore felt pretty drowsy at getting up time. Was working at the little beureau and threshing peas. In town tonight and heard in C M Church a lecture by Rev W H Poole of Toronto on "The Jebeez Pyramid" of Egypt.

Friday, 30.

Finished cabinet work for the present and put the result of my labors in its place in my sisters' bedroom. Went to Brampton tonight expecting to hear Blind Tom the pianist but he failed to come. Heard Rev Jno Learoyd preach in C M Church in town, text II Cor VIII 9th verse

Saturday, 31.

In company with A. F. Campbell we drove to Mt Charles, Toronto Township, to attend his father's funeral, who died on Thursday aged 71 years. Rev W Reed preached text, John XI 25 & 26. We had tea at Mr Wedgewood's and got home long after dark along very muddy roads

April. Sunday, 1. 1877.

Easter has come around once more. A fine warm day and very spring like, roads muddy. At S School this morning, lesson II Kings, IV, 1 to 6. "The oil increased" one of the remarkable miracles performed by Elisha. At Brampton C M Church tonight, Rev J Learoyd preached, text, Matt XXVIII, 6th verse.

Monday, 2.

A clear frosty day, quite a contrast to yesterday indeed. Staining with raw umber and vinegar, the new cabinet work and doing some more little necessary things. Spent evening at home reading weekly Globe which contains a great variety of very interesting reading matter

Tuesday, 3.

Mailed yesterday to Tommy Harrington, Joplin, Missouri one of my ambrotypes. Spent today threshing peas for seed a mixture Crown and Golden Vine. Uncle Adam Ferguson is still here visiting among the old neighbors. *{Note: ambrotype: a positive photograph on glass}*

April. Wednesday, 4. 1877.

Prepared and took to Main's Mill a chopping grist of peas corn and oats. Put the finishing touches to the bureau in the shape of varnish. Bought of K. C. & Co, 1½ bush clover seed @ \$8.00 per bush to be paid for in three months from date.

Thursday, 5.

A spring rain this morning Uncle Adam took the cars for Shelburn. We were at work today making some changes or improvements on broadcast seeder. Spent a couple of hours at blacksmiths shop hearing some of the gossip of the times and neighborhood.

Friday, 6.

Helping neighbor Learment this forenoon at a job. Afternoon very busy at all kinds of work the time slips away rapidly when at several small jobs. Drove to town tonight for the mail, &c. Heard Rev S Salton preach in Vestry of Church, special meetings are being held.

April. Saturday, 7. 1877.

Quite a spring like appearance roads are nearly dry, a good deal of snow in banks along the fences, a warm rain is much needed. The folks went to town to do a little trading bought a walnut extension table by auction for \$15.00, 8 months credit.

Sunday, 8.

At S School this morning, the lesson, II Kings IV 25 to 40. The Shunammite's son restored to life by Elisha the prophet of the Lord". The school was addressed by J. R. Craig. At Brampton C.M.S S. at 2 P.M., and a prayer meeting at 4 P.M. by Y.M.C.A. Rev S Salton preached tonight, text, Acts XXVI, 28th.

Monday, 9.

Our hired boy, Wm McGraw started work today for 7 months @ \$12.50 per month. Today we were shingling the north wing of the house using 2½ squares of 1st class shingles. Mother and Viney went to Toronto today. In Brampton a while this evening, getting some hardware.

April. Tuesday, 10. 1877.

Weather is very fine, roads are dry as summer, the fields are looking like spring. Cutting stovewood in dooryard. Shorn the ram "Billy" a fleece of 16½ lbs. Our folks arrived home from Toronto tonight after visiting Dr. Fulton's, Church St. No 303.

Wednesday, 11.

Working with the cross-cut saw on some beech logs into 2 ft lengths Had a visit from J. C. Snell and family. Sold to J. C. S. 6 bush of orchard grass seed @ \$2.83 per bush and received a cheque for the amount of \$17.00. Live stock increasing daily have five calves now on the go.

Thursday, 12.

Sowed 1330 lbs of plaster on 17 acres of new seeding of clover this being the first spring work on the land. Also sowed 200 lbs of salt on 1½ acres of fall wheat. Brought home from the shop both sets of harrows iron & wood after being sharpened. At home tonight.

April. Friday, 13. 1877.

Ho for the spring work, bright dry, warm days. Started to plow sod (timothy) in back field of twenty five acres, it is in fine trim for work. Plowed about an acre. In town an hour this evening buying Alsike clover 8 lbs @ 27¢ per lb.

Saturday, 14.

The first seeding on this farm was done today, in sowing oats in field beyond Etobicoke, using broadcast seeder, the ground in fair condition but rather heavy. sowed at the rate of 11 pks per acre, sowed 10 bush of white "Imporium" and rest black oats

Sunday, 15.

Had a pleasant walk on a fine dry road up to S School, lesson II Kings V, 1 to 14. "Naaman the leper" or another of Elisha's wonderful miracles. Leprosy a very forcible type of sin. Heard Rev S Salton preach in C M Church, tonight, text, Luke XVI, 23rd verse. The rich man and Lazarus.

April. Monday, 16. 1877.

Finished sowing and harrowing the oats, put 9 bush of black and 10 of white on hardly 7 acres. Started sowing the spring wheat in front field, using the seeder. Today, there was a light shower of rain, the only rain since the snow disappeared.

Tuesday, 17.

A pretty hard day's work. Sowed 15 bush of "Golden Globe" wheat on 9¼ acres, front field. The seeder tore up the soil beautifully. Also sowed on 100 lbs salt to acre, before the last harrowing. Weather very warm, the grass has started and quite green

Wednesday, 18.

Put everything into shape in spring wheat plot, including shovelling of drains. Had one team rolling the new meadow (clover). Got all ready for sowing barley when rain set in from East. it promises to be heavy from the long time it has been threatening. Got a letter from Oakville.

April. Thursday, 19. 1877.

Rain, rain in real earnest all day. Spent forenoon in town doing a little trading in groceries &c. Also a hair cut at "Kelly's" Left my order at K. C. & Co for a \$20.00 suit of summer tweed. Work at home, sorting potatoes and cleaning out cellars.

Friday, 20.

House cleaning is all the rage just now, whitewashing and papering. The rain has cleared away but has left the ground pretty thoroughly soaked. Emm and I had a treat tonight in hearing "Blind Tom" the great pianist in Music Hall Brampton. He is a living musical curiosity music is all he knows.

Saturday, 21.

Still too wet for sod-plowing. With the help of one of Perry's masons we closed up on the doors off the parlor and some other little changes. Sold today to different parties 6 bags of potatoes @ \$1.40 per bag. Received last night a letter from Joplin.

April. Sunday, 22. 1877.

Another forenoon spent at S School, lesson II Kings V 18 to 25. "Gehazi the leper". Mr J Huxley addressed the school on the lesson. Tonight was at Brampton C M Church, A Mr Noah Phelps of St Catherines preached, he is a prominent revivalist.

Monday, 23.

Sowed with seeder 9½ acres (old orchard) using 17 bush of barley, one stroke with iron harrow, then sowed grass seed 90 lbs red clover, 8 lbs Alsike 65 lbs timothy, 50 lbs orchard grass total 213 lbs, about 22 lbs per acre. after sowing grass seed we gave it a cross stroke with the iron harrow.

Tuesday, 24.

Sowed a 5½ acre field with barley 10½ bush of seed this finishes the barley sowing. Sowed the peck of "Eldorado" in same field. Weather is dry and warm, grass growing {r}apidly. Have the sheep out in the daytime only. Cool enough for frost tonight

April. Wednesday, 25. 1877.

C of Peel Agrc. Society's Annual Spring Fair was held today on the show Grounds, Brampton there was a good attendance of spectators @ 10¢ each, a good display of stallions of all kinds and breeds, the show in cattle was only midling, our "Duke of Rose Lea" took 1st prize.

Thursday, 26.

Slight frosts at night during this week. One team busy all day plowing sod for peas on "other place", the ground is solid and heavy plowing. Had other team at roller. will have the grain rolled before it comes up.

Friday, 27.

At the plow another day. And anothers day's rolling done. This a remarkably fine spring vegetation is as far advanced as usually the 15th May. the grass is growing rapidly and the trees are just showing faintest shade of green. Have had none of stock out except sheep

April. Saturday, 28. 1877.

Last evening we attended the revival service being held in C M Church Brampton over 50 persons have joined the church, this is the close of the meetings. Today it was raining from N.E. and only got half a day's plowing done. Finished threshing the peas. Put a new gold wall paper on in the parlor.

Sunday, 29.

At S School, lesson II Kings VI 8 to 20. "Elisha at Dothan" or his miraculous deliverance from the Syrians. A very interesting narrative and good practical lessons contained therein. In town tonight and heard at C M Church, Rev S J Hunter of Toronto preach, text, Mark IX, 2nd.

Monday, 30.

A flurry of snow attended by a raw cold west wind. Spent day at the plow. In town tonight hearing a lecture by Rev S J Hunter, subject, "The Manly Man". He is a good speaker and made some capital hits on some of the fashion and prevalent ills of the day.

May. Tuesday, 1. 1877.

As is often the case the first of May is a cool day and tonight there will be frost. Will have the sod plowed by tomorrow night if all goes well. Father was doing some pruning in young orchard

Wednesday, 2.

Completed a hard six days work this evening, viz plowing 8 acres of sod the recent rain put the land in good condition for plowing. Had other team rolling grasslands, pasture and meadow of which there is four fields containing in all 33 acres. For three nights frost enough for ice 1/4 inch thick.

Thursday, 3.

Mailed a letter to F W Stone, Guelph and \$1.12 for box of sheep wash. Received a letter from Aunt Jennie Rice of Oshawa. Started to sow peas a mixture of "Crown" and "Golden Vine" using the seeder with hoes set well back.

May. Friday, 4. 1877.

At noon today we finished sowing peas, putting 23 bush on 9½ acres, the land was in fine condition and the harrows made a complete job of it. The seeder with the hoes set back nearly covered all the peas itself.

Saturday, 5.

Frost nearly every night this week, with no prospect of rain as yet. Had one team putting some finishing strokes on pea field, and the other plowing some ground on the flats for roots. Visitors today Mrs J C Snell & Misses Campbell and Macdonald.

Sunday, 6.

Attended Quarterly meeting at Brampton, a minister of M E Conference (now being held in town) preached a sermon on prayer, there was a large attendance and a good meeting. Tonight, heard Rev Mr Abbs (of M E Church) preach in C M Church, text I Corinthians XII, 27th.

May. Monday, 7. 1877.

Had team rolling the pea land. With other team, drilled up land in flats and sowed 1/4 of an acre with white carrots, with 1 lb of seed, 1/3 of an acre with yellow globe mangold's 2 lbs seed the land is in fine tilth and a good crop ought to be the result.

Tuesday, 8.

Planted a few "Early Rose" potatoes beside the wurtzels. Done some annual work at fixing the line fence over the Etobicoke. Also put on 30 grafts of winter fruit in young orchard. Weather is still cool and dry.

Wednesday, 9.

Dressed for veal a four weeks old calf making 88 lbs of veal. sold 2 quarters of it to Messrs Watson and Campbell respectively. Commenced the job of hauling manure from the barnyard unto the turnip land. drew 19 loads, and it is hard work.

May. Thursday, 10. 1877.

Wind still in the North and slight frosts at night. At same job as yesterday and put out 20 loads. A consignment of fruit trees from Rochester came to town today, we got \$4.75 worth 1 doz black-cap raspberry, a plum 2 apples and 2 quinces

Friday, 11.

Completed manuring the root ground, putting about 50 loads on 3¼ acres. Transplanted some horse chestnuts from the garden to the front lane. In town this evening a while and at choir practice.

Saturday, 12.

Started working rootland plowing, harrowing & rolling. it is pretty dry and hard. Bought through the grange 30 lbs sugar at 10½¢ and some small articles. Weather still dry but some warmer. Visitor this evening and tomorrow, Miss Lulu Main

May. Sunday, 13. 1877.

To S School this morning, lesson II Kings X, 20 to 31, "John the king of Israel who utterly abolished the worship Baal". Spent afternoon and took tea at Willow Lodge, and Lulu Main Emm and I drove from thence to C M Church, Brampton and heard Rev J {or S} Salton preach, text II Timothy I, 6th verse.

Monday, 14.

The first job this morning was sheep washing in the Etobicoke (31 in all). the water was pretty cold, although the day was quite warm. J C Snell and family spent the day here it being their 9th wedding anniversary, visitors this evening Rev S Salton & Mr and Mrs N. V. Watson.

Tuesday, 15.

A welcome change in the weather at noon today, in shape of light showers from the west and prospects of more rain soon. Today hauled 12 loads of manure and spread it on the open drills for potato crop, now has a double dose nearly 30 loads to acre

May. Wednesday, 16. 1877.

Planted 10 bush of "Early Rose" potatoes on one acre of ground they were small sized and cut in two pieces, then sprinkled with gypsum, 15 loads of manure was first put on and worked in the ground, then 12 loads put in drills and covered with the seed.

Thursday, 17.

A splendid rain today lasting about six hours and it came gently and slowly the heat was above 70° in the shade and as a natural consequence all vegetation has made a sudden start. Cherry and plum blossoms are coming out in fine style.

Friday, 18.

Done a hard days work at plowing ground for rape, the sun was hot indeed. Father was doing some oiling and painting on the buggy. Bill was planting corn and beans, popcorn & pumpkin seed. In town tonight for a short time.

May. Saturday, 19. 1877.

Another very hard day's work and tonight finds me very tired namely shearing 30 sheep with the help of father and Bill they will average 9 lbs of wool each and it is nice and clean. During the week 4 hotel keepers have died in the township.

Sunday, 20.

Drove to S School this morning lesson, Jonah III chap. Jonah's mission to Nineveh and its results. For the size of the book there is none in the Bible that has more instruction than Jonah. Heard Rev Jno Learoyd preach tonight in C M Church, text, Daniel VI, 10th verse.

Monday, 21.

Sent team to shop for shoeing. Destroyed the tent caterpillars on the apple trees of which critters there are a plenty. Spudding thistles and fixing fence and other jobs. Spent evening in town at an open meeting of Y. P. Association of C M Church, music & readings.

May. Tuesday, 22. 1877.

A rainy day, perhaps the best and most useful rain of the season. Spent the day at a variety of odd and useful jobs around the barn & house. Sold 2 bags of Early Rose potatoes to D S Taylor @ \$1.25 per bag.

Wednesday, 23.

Clear and cool and towards night very cold, will frost tonight. Today we rebuilt 30 rods of fence on the "other place" and staked and wired it. Father went to town with a grist and chopping. In town an hour or two tonight Down to freeze tonight but no frost to hurt.

Thursday, 24.

The Queen's birthday kept as a holiday by almost everyone in country and town. In Brampton an hour this morning and spent rest of the day quietly at Willow Lodge. A Picnic was to have been held at the lake but the day was raw and cold so it busted

May. Friday, 25. 1877.

Planted in drills one half bushel of Yankee corn on the flats on 1/3 of acre of ground. Spudding thistles among the barley crop. Commenced drawing manure on the summer fallow. Weather is warming up slowly, it has been unseasonably cold for 3 days.

Saturday, 26.

Worked hard at the manure and got one yard cleaned up first rate. Our folks went to town on a shopping tour &c. Mailed a letter to the friends at Oakville.

Sunday, 27.

At S School once more. lesson II Kings XIII, "On the death of Elisha the prophet". Emm and I spent afternoon and took tea at J C Snell's From thence to C M. Church Brampton at 6.30 P.M. Rev Jno Learoyd preached text, Mark I, 40 to 43.

May. Monday, 28. 1877.

A very hard day's work, Bill and I put out 27 loads of manure on fallow. Invested \$50.00 in the Artikary Mining Stock, said mine is situated on north shore of Lake Superior, said money buying ten shares worth \$10.00 each.

Tuesday, 29.

Drilled an acre of ground in front of the house and sowed it with nearly 6 lbs of rape seed. Bill finished manuring the fallow, will have 150 loads of manure this season. Visitors today, Mrs McNichol of Orangeville, K F Snell & Mrs J C Snell. This evening Jennie Peacock & Andrew Little.

Wednesday, 30.

Statute labor time has once more arrived. Spent today with team and two of us on the roads. The work being done is drawing gravel from Hunter's pit and putting it below No 10 on Centre Road. Weather very warm and dry.

May. Thursday, 31. 1877.

Same work as yesterday and have still a days work to put in, have 9 days in all. This month has been a remarkably fine one and vegetation is far forward. In Co of Halton, the fall wheat is shot out, this rarely occurs so early

June. Friday, 1.

Thou queen of months in the country everything is grand. the red clover blossoms are just showing themselves and so sweetly scented they are. Today was putting freestone steps into the outside entrance to the cellar. In town tonight at Choir Practice.

Saturday, 2.

A heavy thunder shower at 8 A.M. and another at 1 P.M. and how refreshing they have been. This afternoon I attended a Reform Convention in Concert Hall, Brampton there were delegates from all parts of the County.

June. SUNDAY, 3. 1877.

S. School this morning, lesson Amos V, 1 to 15, The lamentations of Amos the prophet over the great sins of the people of Israel. Tonight heard Rev S Salton preach, text. I Corinthians V 7th & 8th A sermon on the passover as a type of the Lord's supper.

MONDAY, 4.

Started breaking the fallow plowing under rye & manure. the rains have put in fine conditions for work. Keep the spud at work lively at the thistles. At home tonight resting after a hard day's plowing.

TUESDAY, 5.

Doing the second plowing of the land for turnips. Spent evening at the Grange Edmonton, a large attendance of members and a good deal of business. Paid a small bill of \$3.75. Received a letter from Viney at Oakville.

June. WEDNESDAY, 6. 1877.

Sowed 5 lb of turnip seed (Scurving's Improved swede) on $1\frac{3}{4}$ of an acre. This is an early sowing but it is for an experiment. Had a visit from Old Mrs John Modeland from Wingham.

THURSDAY, 7.

Completed plowing the fallow and am not sorry for it was getting very hard work for both man and beast. Mr Joseph Snell started for England today on a tour for to import sheep and hogs. Weather very fine, not very warm.

FRIDAY, 8.

Harrowing and rolling the fallow, after which performance it presents a very respectable appearance. In town tonight for a couple of hours or so as a recreation being very tired after a hard week's work. At Choir practice also.

June. SATURDAY, 9. 1877.

Horse hoeing the mangold and carrot crop, they are up about two inches high. Started operations on the new ash house by digging foundation trench and filling with small stones. There were slight southerly showers all day.

SUNDAY, 10.

At S School, lesson, Hosea the last chapter, subject. "The promise of revival or hope for backsliders". The books of the lesser prophets contain many striking and beautiful passages when you come study them. Tonight heard a Rev Mr. Brown preach text. I Timothy I. 15th verse

MONDAY, 11.

Working at the smoke-house got the foundation laid 7 X 9 ft and the flag stone floor laid. Drew up from the banks of the creek 8 loads of coarse sand and put it on some stiff clay spots in the fallow.

June. TUESDAY, 12. 1877.

At same job as yesterday and started laying the brick father being chief mason. Was also hoeing and thinning the mangold crop. The plants are about 3 inches high. Bought of K. C. & Co. a Union churn @ \$8.50. Weather cool and showery.

WEDNESDAY, 13.

All hands to work at the masoning and are begining to get a little handier at the brick laying. Had a splendid thunder shower this evening. The turnips are just coming up and the rape up finely.

THURSDAY, 14.

Brick laying continued. We have found the job a longer and more tedious one than we expected but another day will nearly finish it up. Am spending the evenings at home and keeping very quiet. Several weddings this month around here.

June. FRIDAY, 15. 1877.

Another beautiful day. Spent afternoon in Brampton at a Conservative Picnic held in Haggerts grove, an immense crowd of people, the speakers were Sir John A. McDonald, Hon Dr Tupper and Hon W McDougall.

SATURDAY, 16.

Sold to K. C. & Co 290 lbs of wool parts of it were "matted" and so the number of lbs was reduced to 251 lbs @ $27\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per lb = \$69.00. Today we finished the brick building up to the plates. Received a letter from Oshawa, Viney got home after a month's absence.

SUNDAY, 17.

Drove up to S School this morning lesson II Kings XVII 6 to 20. "The Israelites carried into captivity by the Assyrians". The "Northern Messenger" has a portrait of Fred Douglass the celebrated coloured man. Heard Mr Thos Foster preach tonight, text. I Chron XXVIII 5th.

June. MONDAY, 18. 1877.

Ho for hay harvest. A fine clear morning and looking like dry weather. Cut with the mower about six acres of clover in full bloom, scarcely a blossom faded at all. it promises a good average crop of hay.

TUESDAY, 19.

Finished mowing the field $8\frac{3}{4}$ acres. With R Watson's sulky rake after dinner we started to rake and got over about half the field. After tea, brought in two small loads of sweet scented hay. the blossoms are nearly as bright as when cut.

WEDNESDAY, 20.

A day's drawing in of hay. Eight loads being the results of the day's operations. We lost some time by spreading old hay and straw over the mow between the loads the hay being rather tougher than would warrant keeping properly.

June. THURSDAY, 21. 1877.

Some light showers of rain today put a stop to haying for a short time. Spent the day at some necessary jobs and finishing the brick work of the smoke house. Weather turned very cool tonight, some danger of frost.

FRIDAY, 22.

Cut 4 acres of mixed clover and Timothy in another field. Afternoon was spent drawing in 5 loads of hay. In town a while tonight. Rev Jno Learoyd is appointed by conference to leave this Brampton circuit to go to Picton.

SATURDAY, 23.

Have one field cleaned off result 18 loads of first class hay. Bought a sulky rake for \$30.00 six month credit from the Masson Manufacturing Co. Oshawa Ont. This morning there was a white frost in some parts of the country done some harm.

June. SUNDAY, 24. 1877.

Spent forenoon at S School lesson. A Review of past Quarter's lessons, twelve in all. This afternoon Em & I went to P. M. S School in Brampton. Took tea at Mr A F Campbell's. Heard Rev J Learoyd preach, text. Peter 1st chap. 18 to 21.

MONDAY, 25.

Finished mowing the clover. Brought in 7 more loads of hay. This made up the day's work. Had a trial of the new sulky rake and proves to be very handy and does its work well, a child could drive it and do all that is needed to work it properly.

TUESDAY, 26.

Threatened rain very much all day but passed off with a few sprinkles. Worked in the hay during forenoon. Afternoon was horse hoeing the root crop. Jennie Peacock was here today on a visit. Sold mare "Nellie" to J Scott @ 140.00

June. WEDNESDAY, 27. 1877.

At 6 A.M. started the mower on "other place" in the orchard grass and cut by noon 4 acres out of the eight. Finished drawing in the second field of clover total number of loads 32 off 18 acres.

THURSDAY, 28.

Looks like rain this morning consequently we made all haste to rake and cock up the grass cut yesterday, but a smacking shower just at noon shut down haying operations for the day. Old Mrs Featherton alias: Aunt Elsie came this yesterday evening on a visit.

FRIDAY, 29.

No haying of importance done today. Was hoeing and thinning the carrot crop they are growing finely. Strawberries are abundant and cheap, 8 cts per quart. There are new potatoes in Brampton market. In town awhile tonight.

June. SATURDAY, 30. 1877.

Weather sultry and damp. Drew home two loads of orchard grass hay in the morning. A smart shower at 11 am. Planted in the "flats" 60 celery plants. In some parts of the county the barley crop is nearly ripe. Got in the field the first pod of green peas.

July. SUNDAY, 1.

Away to S School at 9.15 A.M. lesson, Acts, XIII 1 to 13, "Paul at Cyprus" or the first missionary work. In the afternoon heard Mr A. H. Ellis preach at Mt Olivet church. This evening at C M Church, Brampton heard Rev S Salton preach his farewell sermon, text. Psalm C XXXVII, 5 & 6th.

MONDAY, 2.

Observed as a public holiday yesterday being the tenth anniversary of the organization of the Dominion of Canada. The fine weather however tempted us to continue at the haying. J C Snell and family were here for tea. Em & Ella and I spent evening at social at Dr Patullo's

July. TUESDAY, 3. 1877.

A very dull morning and threatening rain but very little fell during the day. Spent the day raking and hauling hay from "other place", also with the plow hilled up the potato crop, it is promising and potato bugs are not plentiful.

WEDNESDAY, 4.

Hay harvest is completed today the result being 45 loads of first class hay, part of it however went into the mows rather green and heavy and we will profit by this experience if the hay turns out all right when we come to use it next winter.

THURSDAY, 5.

Gave the root crop on the flats a second horse and hand hoeing. Started with two scythes to mow the orchard grass in young orchard. This crop is ripe and for seed, it stands 3 to 4 ft high and is loaded with seed.

July. FRIDAY, 6. 1877.

Finished the mowing of yesterday and bound the swathes into sheaves. This is really the first harvesting of the season. Em and I spent evening at a wedding party at Mr N V Watson's, a Mr E Haines being the happy man.

SATURDAY, 7.

We had a surprise this morning in the shape of a visit from Uncle Joshua Harrington of Forest Town, it is 14 years since we saw him before and none of us knew him at first. Spent day dosing the potato crop (one acre) with 1½ lbs paris green.

SUNDAY, 8.

At S School this morning. lesson Acts XIII 26 to 41. "Paul at Antioch in Pisidia". I was advanced to teacher of young men's class. Visitors arrived yesterday, Aunt Phoebe Burke and daughter Sarah. Tonight heard in Brampton Rev Mr McIntyre preach Acts IV 12th verse.

July. MONDAY, 9 1877.

A shower of rain this morning. Had two scythes cutting fence corner grass and thistles. Brought in the orchard grass three loads of sheaves. We are now in the midst of the cherry harvest, are a tolerably good crop this year.

TUESDAY, 10.

With one team started to cross plow the fallow, it is very dry and fine. Weather this summer has been characterized by coolness particularly at night. The turnip crop is going to prove a failure almost all over this section.

WEDNESDAY, 11.

Had the team at same work as yesterday. Put the sheeting on the smoke house roof and shingled it, will be a neat little building in appearance beside being very strong, safe and substantial.

July. THURSDAY, 12. 1877.

Plowing continued all day. Part of our folks went to Brampton to see a baloon ascension in connection with a travelling show. Received a Bay City paper also a newspaper from Flinte, Michigan. At home tonight as usual.

FRIDAY, 13.

At same work as yesterday. Weather dry and hot, the only growth in vegetation now appears to be Indian corn. All the grain is ripening fast. Some farmers in this neighbourhood have started to cut grain. In town tonight a while.

SATURDAY, 14.

At noon today completed the cross plowing and also made a raid on the potato bugs that survived the paris green dose. Spent afternoon at Snell's lake at a small picnic had a pleasant time rowing, croquet, &c.

July. Sunday, 15. 1877.

To S School in the morning lesson, Acts, XIII, 41 to 55. "The apostles turning to the Gentiles". Spent afternoon and took tea at Mrs J. Snell's At 6 P.M. was present at an immersion near Edmonton. Heard Rev J H Starr preach in Brampton text, I Kings XIX 13th verse.

Monday, 16.

Spent today, at repairing and fitting up the reaper to be ready for action on the morrow Weather extremely hot, 92° in the shade. Today we made a bargain with Mr Waddy from Kentucky for 14 of our lambs, 10 bucks & 4 ewes @ \$200. for the lot.

Tuesday, 17.

Harvest is upon us again. Started cutting barley in old orchard field, it is evenly ripened all over the field and a good crop, the kernels are a fair sample not overly large. Last night there was a fine rain and it was a boon indeed.

July. Wednesday, 18. 1877.

Binding barley sheaves. Our boy McGrath fell sick and has gone home leaving us alone for the work. In town tonight seeing Dawson Moreland of Chicago, found him in good health and spirits but somewhat changed in appearance.

Thursday, 19.

We are having daily showers. This afternoon, got at the barley a while, cutting and binding. Dawson and Hattie spent the day here, in the evening we drove up to Snell's lake for a row. from thence to Brampton in spring wagon.

Friday, 20.

Reaped the smaller field of barley 5 acres and bound 2/3rds of it, not quite so good a crop as the larger field. Binding is sore work at the first of the harvest until one gets hardened to it, Received in the Mail, Vick's Floral Guide and S S Banner for August.

July. Saturday, 21. 1877.

Spent day working among the barley crop. Hauled in 4 load of unbound, it will be somewhat colored. The sheep sale bargain made on Monday last fell through because Waddy could not pay cash.

Sunday, 22.

At S School as usual lesson Acts "XIV Chap, "Paul at Lystra and Derbe, cities of Asia Minor". The school is well sustained this summer by a large attendance of scholars. I have been promoted to Bible class teacher and feel the responsibility keenly. A wet evening kept us all home from church.

Monday 23.

Reaped the little plot of fall wheat 1½ acres more or less. the sample will be good, but the crop is thin on the ground. Had a settlement with our boy McGrath, he being sick and not able to work, paid him at rate of \$11.00 per month still owing him \$7.00

July. Tuesday, 24. 1877.

The effects of the heavy shower of Sunday are yet plainly visible as the barley is not yet dry (the sheaves). Hauled in all the unbound barley some six loads. The nights now are splendid the harvest moon being at its full.

Wednesday, 25.

The last hope for a turnip crop this season perished this forenoon by plowing up the drills and adding it to the fallow ground. Afternoon was hauling barley sheaves. The girls and I drove up to Snell's lake for a moonlight boat ride and it was fine.

Thursday, 26.

At it early this morning and lively bringing in the barley but a heavy shower overtook us and we fell short of completing by two loads. The heat was almost unbearable and scarcely any breeze a-stirring.

July. Friday, 27. 1877.

A dreary harvest day, because every two hours there was a shower, and smart ones too. Had a drive up to Elias Snell's & to J C Snell's looking at the sheep. In town tonight an hour or two at Mrs Trueman's with D. Moreland.

Saturday, 28.

Hot and hotter with the great rain causes a great growth of grass and roots. With team harrowed the fallow and with sulky rake went over the barley stubble.

Sunday, 29.

At S School a small attendance because of heat and appearance of rain. Lesson, Acts XV, " The freeness of salvation on the Gospel of joy". Heard tonight in Brampton C M Church Rev Mr McIntyre, text, Gal II, 20th verse.

July. Monday, 30. 1877.

Just before sunrise, started to cut the spring wheat in "front field" with cradle, preparatory to working the reaper, had only three binders however. the crop in only midling. In town tonight late seeing D Modeland off on train for Chicago.

Tuesday, 31.

Finished cutting and binding spring wheat and started cutting the oat crop beyond the creek, it is short but will be able to bind nearly all of it. Weather is fine now and looks like settled for harvest.

Aug. Wednesday, 1

Put in another day in the oat field, yet there is an acre to cut and bind. Drew in the "Seneca" fall wheat, three small loads. Started feeding to cattle the corn fodder, some of it is 7 ft high and tender & sweet as can be.

Aug. Thursday, 2. 1877.

Hot, the mercury showed 92° in the shade. Started in pea crop with horse rake. it does its work tolerably well, the pea straw is rather short and erect for good work. Afternoon was threshing at R Watson's.

Friday, 3.

Into the peas today. After a short turn at horserake we gave it up for doing bad work and went at it with the scythes about half the field being done with the rake. Tonight had a big read at the newspapers.

Saturday, 4.

After a lively day's work we found the peas all cut and was not sorry as it is not a choice job. In town tonight, bought a black felt hat at "Stead's" @ \$1.75 and had a very close hair crop at J E Wood's.

Aug. Sunday, 5. 1877.

Just a lovely day. Em, Ella and I drove to Harrison's church at 10 A.M to attend Quarterly meeting, a sermon by Rev Mr McIntyre, text Exodus XXXIII 14th. We spent afternoon at Mr Thos Pearin's, 6th line east. Tonight heard in Brampton same sermon.

Monday, 6.

Spent half the day at a threshing. Reaped the "Eldorado" spring wheat, six dozen sheaves grown from a peck of seed. Started hauling the peas from "other place". Was in town tonight, bidding farewell to G H Golding, he is going to live at Chesley.

Tuesday, 7.

At the pea hauling lively until noon when a smart shower of rain and hail put a stopper on for today. Secured 10 loads of peas. Spent evening at J C Snell's chat, reading, &c.

Aug. Wednesday, 8. 1877.

Done no harvesting this forenoon. Afternoon was spent at R Watson's helping to bind oats. Are all done with cutting grain, only the hauling of it in remains to be done.

Thursday, 9.

Spent the day at J Woodhall's threshing, very little work done at home as it was showery. For the past week or ten days there has been occasional showers but only just enough rain to retard the harvest work somewhat.

Friday, 10.

Hauling in spring wheat, and also finished the pea drawing 15 loads in all of them only a midling crop. Cousin Sarah Burke left here for home today. Emma took G.T.R train for Oshawa to visit for a fortnight at Aunt Jennie Rice's.

Aug. Saturday, 11. 1877.

We have just had two good harvest days and we improved them by coming within half a day's work of finishing harvest part of the oats being yet in the field. At home tonight and very tired. The days are shortening up quite perceptibly.

Sunday, 12.

A rainy morning, walked up to S School. lesson Acts XVI, 22 to 34. "Paul and Silas in prison" or "Gospel bringing deliverance". Took dinner & spent afternoon at "Willow Lodge" At Brampton C M Church tonight, Rev T H Starr preached text, Deuteronomy XXXII, 31st verse.

Monday, 13.

Observed as a civic holiday by the Bramptonians, they had various games and sports and a baby show. Spent the day in summer fallow striking out the ridges 18 ft wide each and started plowing the same. At home tonight reading a Canadian tale "Bluebell"

Aug. Tuesday, 14. 1877.

Rain, rain, such heavy showers 3 or 4 of them today until most everything is afloat. Done very little work except to go to mill with a grist and chopping. Received a letter from D Modeland Chicago, and one from Bay City, Uncl A Ferguson

Wednesday, 15.

Struck a four day's job at crossplowing a 5 acre field (barley stubble) for sake of destroying some of the thistle Joseph Snell arrived home today from England with 50 head of Cotswolds & Berkshires in fine condition after a stormy sea voyage of 11 days.

Thursday, 16.

A heavy shower of rain is a daily occurrence until the ground is saturated. The great bulk of spring wheat peas and oats in the country is unsaved and is nearly all the grain is sprouted in the shock. Have 4 acres of oats in the stook and are sprouted.

Aug. Friday, 17. 1877.

Spent the day at a neighbor's threshing. Had some light showers again today. We fully expected an early finish to the harvest this season but prospects now are decidedly unfavorable, it will be a late finish.

Saturday, 18.

At home cross plowing. A heavy thunder and hail storm in the afternoon. J C Snell was here a short time, they had a visit from an American Millionaire Mr Crane buying Berkshires from them. In town a while tonight. Received a letter from Em at Oshawa

Sunday, 19.

At S School at 10 A.M. lesson Acts, XVII 1 to 16. "Thessalonians and Bereans contrasted". These lessons about Paul's mission to the Gentiles are deeply interesting and profitable. Tonight heard in C M Church Rev J H Starr, text Romans I 16th verse. A collection for St John's sufferers.

Aug. Monday, 20. 1877.

Mailed letter to D Moreland, Chicago The harvest is saved once more, brought in the last of the oats, they are a good deal spoiled by the rain the straw will be of no account whatever. Spent evening at Mrs Jno Snell's.

Tuesday, 21.

Crossplowing all day. The pear season is just over, had about 2 bush in the garden. A large crop of plums are just coming in. the curculio does not appear to have done any damage this season. At home tonight and quiet.

Wednesday, 22.

At same work as yesterday Was breaking into work a 2 yr old colt before the harrow. Received by mail the certificate of claim to the amount of ten shares in Artikameg Mining Co. Weather dry and warm.

Aug. Thursday, 23. 1877.

Finished plowing the 5½ acre barley stubble field. Sold in Brampton market a load of farm produce, such as butter, eggs, plums & calf skins to the amount of \$6.60. This farm life is very quiet and secluded, almost too much so.

Friday, 24.

Harrowing, rolling and putting into good shape the field just plowed. Also drew a few loads of manure on the same. Em arrived home from her Oshawa visit. Spent evening at Choir Practice and around town.

Saturday, 25.

Today's work was at the last plowing in the fallow previous to the wheat seeding. The heavy rains have made the ground a little baked so that it does not work up in good shape. The nights are superb this week warm and splendid moonlight

Aug. Sunday, 26. 1877.

To S School once more, lesson Acts XVII 14 to 30. "Paul at Athens" What a noble and eloquent address was that! but what little effect comparatively upon these learned idolaters. Heard Rev J H Starr preach tonight, text, Luke XIII, 6 to 9. A very good sermon indeed.

Monday, 27.

Plowed 2 acres of ridging up. Visitors today, Mrs J C Snell and Miss Kizzie Snell, making a good natured raid on our extensive plum crop, there are still bushels of them in the garden. Weather very oppressive and warm with prospects of rain.

Tuesday, 28.

A forenoon's plowing done. This afternoon however was showery consequently done some work in barn. At home tonight and very quiet. Farm life is almost too quiet, one will grow listless and dull by not seeing more of life and stir.

Aug. Wednesday, 29. 1877.

Had a forenoon at odd jobs while the team and the folks went to town. Afternoon was at plowing again. Our venerable Aunt Mrs Trueman came up for a three day visit.

Thursday, 30.

Plowed $2\frac{1}{4}$ acres, ridging in barley stubble fields. Hired a man, Hewitt, by the day .75¢, started work this morning. Threshed with the flails 10 bush of Seneca wheat for seed. Is a fine large sample.

Friday, 31.

A forenoon's rain, consequently no out door work performed. In afternoon was at R. Smiths getting 10 bush of Treadwell seed wheat. Drove to town tonight with some Brampton girls who were up here visiting. Bought a copy of "David Copperfield" @ \$1.00. Also paid W A Mitchell \$2.00 for repairs on my watch.

Sept. Saturday, 1. 1877.

The summer is ended, and the weather has turned cool and fall-like. Today we sowed with broadcast seeder 10 bush of "Seneca" wheat on good 6 acres of fallow in fine condition, the ground being rather too fine for to protect the wheat through the winter.

Sunday, 2.

At S School, lesson Acts XVIII 1 to 12. "Paul at Corinth". Here the Gospel had great power and the largest Church formed under Paul's ministry. At C M Church tonight. Rev Mr McIntyre preached text, Hebrews, XII, 16 & 17 verses. An eloquent sermon showing forth the trueness of one of the oldest Bible stories.

Monday, 3.

Plowed $2\frac{1}{3}$ acres today with one plow and in doing so; I travelled 22 miles. Finished water furrowing the fallow. And kept the man handling the flail lively on the peas. Weather cool and cloudy. There is a great growth of grass Cutting orchard grass for feed 18 inches high.

Sept. Tuesday, 4. 1877.

Sowed the $5\frac{1}{2}$ acre stubble field with 9 bush of Treadwell the ground is in good trim and with good seed there's a good prospect for the future. Visitors, Miss Mary Pearens Wm J Woodhall. At home tonight as usual.

Wednesday, 5.

Done the finishing strokes to the fall seeding by the shovelling of "grips". Cleaned up a lot of new peas about 80 bushels, very fine sample, yield to acre will be about 20 bushels. Some more rain and cooler.

Thursday, 6.

The folks went to town on a marketing expedition. At home we were cleaning up the barn yards, finding several loads of first class manure. In town this afternoon, got pair of kip boots from W J Ewart @ \$4.50.

Sept. Friday, 7. 1877.

Work done today at a variety of jobs, viz, hauling gravel from the creek for leveling the barnyard, making preparations for threshing &c &c. In town tonight a time, bought 6 pieces of sheet music @ 30¢.

Saturday, 8.

Picked the last of blue plums they have been a rare fine crop. At noon we started to thresh with Rossiter's machine threshed oats about 280 bush "Seneca" wheat 40 bush "Eldorado" spring wheat 4 bush the product of one peck of seed.

Sunday, 9.

Once more at S School, lesson Acts XIX 1 to 12, "Paul at Ephesus". Mr J Huxley spoke to the school on the lesson. The S S Messenger to hand, full as usual of good things. Tonight heard Rev J H Starr preach, text, Psalms CVII 30th verse.

Sept. Monday, 10. 1877.

Threshing all day at home. Will have at a guess about 200 bush of "Red Fern" spring wheat and a good sample . and in same way about 500 bush of barley, fair sample and color, threshed the latter at a rate of 100 bush an hour.

Tuesday, 11.

Quite a relief to have the threshing done, the one disagreeable task of farming. Today we washed the lambs (27 in all) using warm water and soap and doing it in a large box, made for the purpose Yesterday sold ram lamb to Mr Graham of Esquesing for \$16.00.

Wednesday, 12.

Spent the day helping neighbor J Learment to thresh with 3 horses and two men. This threshing business is the one disagreeable job on the farm and especially so since the barley crop has become so generally and extensively grown.

Sept. Thursday, 13. 1877.

Paid \$2.00 towards a fund to defray the expenses of a Grand Reform Picnic to be held in Brampton next week. Today at same work as yesterday Weather dry and very warm the sun rays being nearly as powerful as midsummer.

Friday, 14.

Completed a job that has been under way since last spring namely, hauling barnyard manure putting some 25 loads on front field with the help of man Hewitt. In town a while tonight buying some necessaries for the house. Received a newspaper from G H Golding. "Chesley Enterprise"

Saturday, 15.

Weather appears to grow warmer every day, mercury showed 90° in the shade. The Fall wheat is making rapid growth just now, only two weeks since the sowing and it is fully 4 inches high. Spent the day at spreading manure.

Sept. Sunday, 16. 1877.

In the spring wagon to S School lesson Acts, XIX 13 to 35. "The power of the word" or "The Gospel sword". Many lessons in one. At Brampton C M Church tonight Rev J H Starr preached, text "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul."

Monday, 17.

All day at R Watson's helping to thresh. Sold to J C Snell 2 young Berkshires @ \$8.00 each. Great preparations are going on in Brampton for the Reform Picnic on Wednesday next.

Tuesday, 18.

Started the fall plowing proper today, crossplowing the pea stubble on "other place". The people at No 10 have erected a large evergreen arch over the Centre Road for tomorrow. Tonight went with the C M Church choir over to Springbrook to a tea meeting.

Sept. WEDNESDAY, 19. 1877

A splendid, bright day for the Reform Picnic, an immense crowd of people. It was held in the grounds of Agricultural Society, Speeches by Hon A Mackenzie, Hon A Mowatt, & Hon L S Huntington. besides six brass bands of music.

Thursday, 20.

Brampton was never so well decorated as yesterday, there being 800 flags of all sizes and colors. Today we started the potato harvest, brought in 35 bushels. Tonight in Brampton at Telegraph Office, a telephone was in operation whereby singing done in Stratford 70 miles distant was heard plainly in town, sound coming on telegraph wires.

Friday, 21.

Same work as yesterday and finished the job, have about 80 bushels of good potatoes, a small yield from nearly an acre of ground, but plenty for the family's consumption for a year. Emm and I were in town a couple of hours tonight. Got a letter from G H Golding, and one from Mr Adam Ferguson.

Sept. Saturday, 22. 1877.

Resumed the fall plowing. In the meantime the ground has hardened very considerably if the dry weather continues it will be very hard plowing. The grain market this fall does not open up briskly, the barley is worth now 60¢.

Sunday, 23.

At S School this morning lesson Acts XX chap. "Paul at Miletus". The close of Paul's labors in Asia and Greece and his farewell address to the Ephesians. Heard tonight Rev Mr McIntyre preach in C M Church, text Isaiah LV 6th verse.

Monday, 24.

Very warm day, at noon the mercury showed 90° in the shade. At the crossplowing all day. A very plentiful crop of nuts in the woods this fall. the hickory nuts are ripe and dropping off. Tonight we started peeling apples for drying.

Sept. Tuesday, 25. 1877.

Did not plow any today, it being such hard work on the team between heat and flies. Spent the day at various jobs that are plentiful at this season. The folks went to town on a marketing excursion. &c.

Wednesday, 26.

Done another half day's plowing. In afternoon had a drive up to Willow Lodge and from thence to Brampton making some little preparations for a trip to a fair at Orangeville tomorrow. John Snell's Sons won at London Provincial Fair this week all the first prizes for Cotswolds and Berkshires.

Thursday, 27.

Em and I left home at 5:30 A. M. in the buggy, calling for Miss Kizzie Snell, for the Orangeville Fair, had a very pleasant 4 hours ride up. Took dinner at Mrs B McNichol and spent afternoon on Fair Ground. a large crowd of people and in all a good show, but the dust in great clouds was awful

Sept. Friday, 28. 1877.

Last night we heard "Cool Burgess" celebrated comedian (comic). This forenoon we drove around the town, visited the two fine large cemeteries, The town has a fine situation and some good buildings, about 3000 population, Came home tonight after taking tea at Rev A McFaul's Charleston.

Saturday, 29.

The views from the Caledon mountains are very fine the forests have their autumnal tints but the fields are still green so that we had a grand treat and pleasant trip. Spent today at the plowing In town a while tonight visiting a sick friend R J Nichols. Got a letter from D Moreland.

Sunday, 30.

At S School this forenoon lesson, A Review of the past three month's lessons, conducted by the Supt, Mr N V Watson, and an address by Mr Jno Huxley. At Brampton C M church tonight, Rev Mr McIntyre preach text, John IV, 14th to 19th verses.

Oct. Monday, 1. 1877.

Thermometer 90 in the shade. Spent the day crossplowing the pea stubble land. Hired Will Jones for one month @ \$9.00. he started work this morning. Sold a ram lamb to Mr Cooney of Amaranth @ \$14.00

Tuesday, 2.

Had team at same work as yesterday, the share has to go to blacksmith shop every eight hours. Started the job of picking the winter apples the apple crop this season all over the country is much below the average. Our crop is better than the majority.

Wednesday, 3.

For two days the clouds have been down to the ground with a strong east wind but no rain as yet. Another day at the plowing Barley market is dull only being worth 50¢ per bush just now in Brampton.

Oct. Thursday, 4. 1877.

Spent an hour in town this morning. Father went by train to Guelph Fair and returned tonight. Spent this afternoon at Mr J Hunter's Auction Sale of farm stock and implements. Tonight we had Mrs A. Ferguson and family from Bay City.

Friday, 5.

Our friends and visitors of last night went this morning by train to Shelburn their future home. Today was spent at washing 26 lambs with warm water and soap for their better appearance. A change to cold weather and autumn like feeling.

Saturday, 6.

Gathering in the golden apples of which we have a good average crop for this season, 15 barrels of good store apples and 8 barrels for present use and for cider, to be made after a time when the work gets a little slacker. Was cleaning up some spring wheat for the Brampton Fair.

Oct Sunday, 7. 1877.

Another morning at S School lesson. Acts XXI 8 to 20. "Paul at Caesarea" or "Ready to suffer for Christ's sake". Spent afternoon at Willow Lodge and took tea with J C Snell and family. Heard Rev J H Starr preach tonight in C M Church.

Monday, 8.

How it has rained all day! Cleaned thoroughly 2 bush of "Eldorado" spring wheat and 2 bush "Golden Globe" also a doz Globe Mangold and took them Brampton for the County Show, today and the two following days. In spite of the rain there is going to be a good display in the Hall.

Tuesday, 9.

Drove to Brampton with 12 lambs, 8 rams & 4 ewes, also bull calf (Durham) for to show. Took 2nd prize on calf & 3rd prize on ewe lambs also 2nd prize on "Eldorado" wheat The show in all departments of the County Fair was better than any predecessor, the number of people about.

Oct. Wednesday, 10. 1877.

Raining most beautifully this morning. Em and I & J C Snell went by railway to Guelph to attend the Prov S.S, Convention. the sessions were held in the Norfolk St Methodist Church there were some good discussions on S S Work, led by principal Sunday School of Canada.

Thursday, 11.

We spent today also at convention Prof Sherwin of New York conducted the music in splendid style he also imparted a great deal of life and spirit to the meetings all through. This morning we spent an hour at Ontario College Farm, a mile from Guelph, it was well worth seeing.

Friday, 12.

Came home last night at midnight having spent two days pleasantly and profitably. Was plowing all day today. Have had more or less rain for 4 days past. Sold 4 ram lambs during the Fair for \$45.50 & 2 ewe lambs @ \$15.00 each.

Oct. Saturday, 13. 1877.

Bought a new plow @ \$20.00 from the firm of John Elliot of London, Ont. it has wrought iron beam and wood handles, onesteel share. This afternoon we started the cutting of clover seed crop, but shut down because of promise of rain.

Sunday 14.

At S School, lesson, Acts XXI 20 to 45, Paul at Jerusalem or "Suffering for Christ's sake". J C Snell gave to the school a report of Guelph S S Convention. At C M Church, Brampton tonight Rev J H Starr preached, text, I Saml, III chap 18th verse. It was the S S Anniversary, the children done the singing for the service.

Monday, 15.

Mailed a letter to G H Golding at Chesley. Plowing in forenoon and afternoon cutting clover. Have a home made table attached to cutter bar of mower then one walks behind and put it off in rows with a fork. Tonight was in town at C. M. S. S. Anniversary.

Oct. Tuesday, 16 1877.

Same programme as yesterday have not quite finished the clover. The new plow appears to do its work well. Sold a ram lamb to Mr Early of Esquesing @ \$16.00. At home this evening chatting around the kitchen fire.

Wednesday, 17.

Putting finishing strokes to the first field & all plowed in shape of water furrows and ditches. Have not made any further progress at clover. Brought in the corn crop, a wagon box full of ears and 7 box loads of stalks put in the barn for fodder.

Thursday, 18.

Some more rain during last night. Plowed today in the front field with new plow $1\frac{3}{4}$ acres. Had other team drawing some barnyard manure on same field. The fall wheat has made a very heavy growth, some danger of it growing too rank for winter.

Oct. Friday, 19. 1877.

A cold damp day but not much rain. Done about half a day's plowing. Went to town towards evening and took tea and spent part of evening at A F Campbell's got home at 8 P.M. with both pockets full of newspapers and enjoyed a good square read of two hours.

Saturday, 20.

Started root harvest, first at globe mangolds, pulled and topped by hand 5 loads and deposited same in driving house cellar, the roots are large and fine ones. In town this afternoon several farms in the county put up at Auction, among them Mr D Wiggins farm, we bid \$3000 but the owner wanted another \$500.

Sunday, 21.

Had two trips this morning to Brampton for Dr Patullo to come up and see sister Elsie who is very sick with relapse from scarlet fever. At home rest of the day. At church tonight Rev Mr McIntyre preached text John V, 40th verse. There was a collection for Superannuated preachers

Oct. Monday, 22. 1877.

Mailed a letter to D Moreland Chicago. Kept one team at the plow all day. Spent a couple of hours, all hands in middle of the day turning the cut clover. Just now there is prospect of Indian Summer for a time. Had a drive tonight up to Willow Lodge.

Tuesday, 23.

Pretty much same work as yesterday. Brought in last of mangolds, have about 280 bushels and of good quality. Scarlett fever is prevalent in this section now, our public school is closed because of it. Received Campbell's acc/ for blacksmithing \$20.42½.

Wednesday, 24.

Hauling in hay, that is the second crop clover, Brought in 5 loads, not in prime order for there is hardly any heat in the air to dry it, also there is rain at hand soon, is still 5 loads out. Tonight was spent at Ebenezer, a S. S. Institute, conducted by D J McKinnon, Rev R M Croll.

Oct. Thursday, 25. 1877.

At plowing and shovelling drains. Weather, misty and drizzling from the East. Yesterday we sold our aged Purebred Cotswold to Mr Alex Cunnington @ \$25.00. Also to Mr Isaac A Modeland a ram lamb @ \$12.00.

Friday, 26.

Another day's plowing accomplished The folks went to town on a "shopping" excursion, preparatory to Winter. Also sent to Mill 12 bush of barley for chopping, as an experiment for hog feeding. our pea crop this year being rather slim.

Saturday, 27.

Weather stays mild and damp. Working sometimes at the carrot crop and others at clover turning, the seed is getting somewhat sprouted and will soon be useless if not housed. Father and mother went to the funeral of Old Mrs Jno Wiggins.

Oct. Sunday, 28. 1877.

Spent morning at S School lesson, Acts, XXIII 1 to 11. "Paul before the Sanhedrin" a remarkable escape from the clutches of his enemies the Jews. At C M Church, Brampton, tonight. Rev Mr McIntyre preached text, Matt X, 32nd verse.

Monday, 29.

Yet a few carrots to bring in the crop is only medium, on account of being too thick in the rows. Spent evening in town at C M Church, an entertainment by Y. P. Association of music and readings.

Tuesday, 30.

Finished haymaking at last had some 8 loads of clover none of it in prime order. In town again tonight at a lecture under auspices of Y. M. C. Association given by Rev Mr Bostwick of St Louis. subject "The secret of success in life".

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Oct. Wednesday, 31. 1877.

The harvest is in. Brought in today, the parsnips and celery from the flats, said vegetables are of good quality. Our boy Jones had his month work in tonight, paid him \$9.00. All Hallow E'en once more, was quietly at home.

Nov. Thursday, 1.

A steady day's plowing on the hill beyond the Etobicoke. The folks went to town with 7 pairs of hens @ 25¢ per pair & tub of butter 57 lbs @ 20¢ per lb (less price of tub 40¢). ~~Sold~~ delivered to Mr Alex Cunningham our 2 {Shr} ram @ \$25. And to Jabez Heath a lamb @ \$12.00.

Friday, 2.

Daylight this morning found rain descending lively, which gradually wore away until noon, when a high west wind sprang up with a cold temperature. Sold to K. C & Co. Brampton, our first load of grain for the season 68 bush of barley @ 50¢ per bush.

Nov. Saturday, 3. 1877.

Father went to Toronto by train to consult Dr Fulton about sister Viney's health and other small business. Was plowing most of the day, it was cold, windy and disagreeable. Em and I had a drive to Edmonton and back tonight through the mud. Sold a Berkshire 4 mos old to a Mr Petch of Trafalgar @ \$12.00.

Sunday, 4.

To Brampton this morning, for the Quarterly meeting of C M Church Rev J H Starr preached, text, Matt XXVI, 26 to 28. A sermon on the Eucharist Took dinner & tea at J W Main's and tonight Rev C E McIntyre preached, text, I Kings XVIII 21st "How long {s}hall ye between two opinions" A rainy night.

Monday, 5.

Rain in forenoon, snow in afternoon and night set in with snow coming briskly out of the north. The first day of this kind of weather always brings a deal of work around the barns and stables getting all the live stock housed and comfortable. Dressed a ewe lamb for food.

Nov. TUESDAY, 6. 1877.

Quite a bitter cold morning and ground white with snow. Took 3 barrels of apples to Gummerson's cider mill and made about 20 gals, not paying anything for use of mill. Sold a ram lamb to Mr Isaac A Modeland @ \$12.00 Spent evening at home.

WEDNESDAY, 7.

Spent forenoon in barn getting ready a grist and some barley for chopping in lieu of peas for hogfeed. Having thawed out again, was able to plow after dinner. Evening tried to spend it reading but was so drowsy from out-door work that could make no headway

THURSDAY, 8.

Made lively spurt of two hours this morning at plowing, but it was of no use the weather shut right down with a steady all day pour and getting quite warm tonight. Had a trip to the school house at 4 P.M. with an umbrella for Riley.

Nov. FRIDAY, 9. 1877.

Improved the fleeting hours of today as much as possible for "Jack Frost" promises a "close-up" tonight. Completed the 8 acre field across the creek, run the cross furrows and shovelled them. Received a long letter from G. H. Golding, he is prospering at Chesley.

SATURDAY, 10.

Expectedly, last night was the bitterest frost of the season and this morning the mud is all dried up. Spent afternoon in Brampton at Mahaffy's Auction sale of buggy's & waggons. Bought enough dressed pine to make 3 outside doors for the house @ \$1.50. Got a letter from Joplin.

SUNDAY, 11.

Still another forenoon at S School lesson. Acts XXVI, 6 to 20. "Paul before Agrippa". Tonight was in Brampton at P M Church. Mr A Ellis preached, text. Luke XV 4 to 10. After the service we went to the Y.M.C.A. prayer meeting in their own Hall, it was crowded and a good feeling manifested.

Nov. MONDAY, 12. 1877.

In the aggregate, done very little work today, reasons for such idleness, the folks were all away for the day to "Willow Lodge". The chores and odd jobs took up most of the time. Repaired a breach in line fence (Watson's) made by the recent high water in the creek.

TUESDAY, 13.

The frost remains in the ground though the surface gets muddy every day. Drew 5 loads of chip manure from wood yard to the plowed fields, also some leaf mould from the woods for the flower garden, and some work in transplanting trees and bushes in front yard.

WEDNESDAY, 14.

At the plowing once again on the flats turning over the corn stubble and root ground. Walked in to town this evening after tea, bo't an umbrella at Stead's @ \$1.90. Spent the hour from 8 to 9 o'clock at the prayer meeting of Y.M.C.A. a Mr Dixon of Toronto led the exercises.

Nov. THURSDAY, 15. 1877.

Growing finer every day. no frost at nights. Done a half day's plowing. Afternoon drove to Willow Lodge and brought Mrs J C Snell and her new baby for to spend a day or two. In town tonight at Y.M.C.A. meeting Mr Manners led from Luke XV

FRIDAY, 16.

Just a lovely day, but lacking the haze around the horizon to make it "Indian summer". Plowing the rape ground "just in front of the house field" Sold a splendid lamb skin to Anderson Campbell @ \$1.00. Home tonight deep in the newspapers.

SATURDAY, 17.

Finished this afternoon the quota of plowing assigned for this fall's work. viz. 30 acres. Sold to J C Snell a pair of ewe lambs @ \$30.00, also a ram lamb to Andrew Cheyne @ \$5.00 it was the scrub of the flock. It was a warm day and a thunder shower at night.

Nov. SUNDAY, 18. 1877.

Faced on foot over frozen clods a keen N.W. wind up to S School. lesson. Acts XXVI last 12 verses. "Almost persuaded to be a Christian" At C M church tonight heard Rev C McIntyre preach text. Romans I 16th verse. After the service we spent an hour at YMCA prayer meeting.

MONDAY, 19.

Forenoon, the folks went to town on some dry goods business. Was making and hanging the outside or storm doors ~~front~~ for the front door and front kitchen door. Received a copy of "Chicago Tribune" from Dawson Morland. Bright, frosty weather. Mailed a letter to Joplin for Em.

TUESDAY, 20.

Getting some barley ready for market. Sold a shearling ewe to J C Snell @ \$25.00 and to Mr Noble a pair of 5 yr old ewes and ram lamb for \$24.00. Received from Peter Chisholm on cows acc/ \$6.00. Spent evening at home in chat and reading.

Nov. WEDNESDAY, 21. 1877.

Delivered at Milner's steam elevator Brampton one load of barley 59 bush @ 61¢ per bush. Spent afternoon helping to repair the sheds &c, at Ebenezer Church and made great improvement for comfort of horses in the winter.

THURSDAY, 22.

A public holiday for Thanksgiving to the Almighty for bountiful harvest and many blessings throughout the Dominion. Was around home all day the roads being too bad to go to Church. In town tonight at S.S. anniversary of P. M. Church. the children gave a great many recitations in good style.

FRIDAY, 23.

A regular east rain storm set in yesterday morning and the end of it is not yet. Working all day in the mud and wet around the barnyard. Received a letter from D Modeland. In town tonight at a singing class conducted by two Americans, it was first night of the series.

Nov. SATURDAY, 24. 1877.

Pretty much same class of work as yesterday. Had a walk to "Willow Lodge" and back but not all pleasant through rain and mud. Bought at an Auction in Brampton two french bedsteads @ \$5.00 the pair, a stand @ \$1.50 and 60 lbs beef at 7¢ per lb \$4.00.

SUNDAY, 25.

A dreary day for me, was stricken down with scarlet fever and was very sick all day. The rain still continues and quite a warm temperature for lateness of the season. There was but a few at S School just enough for one class, lesson. Acts XXVI "Paul in the storm at sea".

MONDAY, 26.

Rain rain for 5 days in succession until everything is swimming and the roads in a hopeless condition. Delivered Noble's sheep and received the pay \$24.00. Paid the note for sulky rake \$30.00. Traded with J C Snell 3 pigs 5 months old for 9 pigs 7 weeks old.

Nov. TUESDAY, 27. 1877.

Blank, so far as any good that I am being completely imprisoned all day and the nights passed sleeplessly because of the extreme irritation of the skin during the nocturnal hours. Have Willy Hewitt helping to do the chores. &c.

WEDNESDAY, 28.

This being confined to the house is a wonderful change and the hours hang heavily with nothing to do, not able to read much because of the weakness in eyes. The weather has cleared up fine after raining more or less for six days. not freezing though.

THURSDAY, 29.

A letter from Aunt Jennie Rice with news of good health and spirits. Business is dull in Brampton because of extreme bad roads. the merchants are complaining. Barley is being shipped to Great Britain for the first. C Dawson of Brampton is sending to England *{illegible crossed out}* {2}.000 turkeys.

Nov. Friday, 30. 1877.

A cold frosty day. Around the house, reading, chatting and doing some small jobs of repairs &c. Mailed a 'Conservator' to D Moreland, Chicago. To Toronto sent 75¢ yearly subscription to the S S Banner. Quite a treat to get the weekly newspapers tonight.

Dec. SATURDAY, 1.

Clear, dry and frosty but not cold. Mailed a letter to G H Golding, Chesley. Father was in town a hour or two getting some little necessities. Hewitt is chopping wood for us all this week in "other place" woods, newly fallen timber. Still confined to the house for fear of taking cold.

SUNDAY, 2.

The girls walked up to S School lesson. Acts XXVII, 10 to 20. "The Deliverance of Paul and his shipmates". It being a fine morning there was a large school. J C Snell was here this afternoon and to tea, we were looking over S S music &c.

Dec. MONDAY, 3. 1877.

Put in appearance in barnyard for first time in eight days. Sold our 2 yr old bull "Duke of Rose Lea" to J Foliss @ \$65.00 at the end of 14 days. Am learning to work in the house at light jobs trying to knit and sew &c. Weather turning milder again.

TUESDAY, 4.

One of the annual jobs came to time today, viz. hogkilling. we dressed a small Berkshire, 82 lbs a pair of yearlings, 170 lbs & 180 lbs a 2 yr old, weight 412 the latter will be sold it being too fat and heavy for home use. Father & mother went to funeral of little Joseph Wiggins (scarlet fever).

WEDNESDAY, 5.

Warm again and some heavy showers of rain which prevented the expected trip to market. Not able to do much work yet and will likely lose the two week time. Some of the folks had a trip to Willow Lodge through the mud.

Dec. Thursday, 6. 1877.

The folks went to town on a marketing expedition sold the Berkshire (412 lbs) to K. C & Co @ 5¢ per lb, to Sutcliffe, 19 lbs butter @ 19¢ lb. Bought from J C Snell 365 lbs of pork @ 5¢ per lb. Spent evening and staid all night at Willow Lodge.

Friday, 7.

Quite a cold snap, the roads very rough. Walked home this morning and done some work. Afternoon spent in Brampton. Deposited \$50.00 in Dominion Bank, drawing int @ 5 per cent. Received a Joplin newspaper. And a letter from G H Golding.

Saturday, 8.

Have done no work as yet. Beginning to feel rather uneasy at being so long almost idle. Spent afternoon in Brampton Bought for S School 45 books "Gospel Hymns" by "Bliss" & "Sankey" @ \$6.75. And some other little articles for home use Mailed a letter to G H Golding.

Dec. Sunday, 9. 1877.

Once more at S School, lesson Acts XXVIII, 1 to 10, "Paul at Melita". A fine large attendance We sang over the new pieces of music intended for Anniversary. In town tonight at C M Church Rev J H Starr, held forth from the text, John III 8th verse.

Monday, 10.

Sold to T. Milner 58 bush barley @ .63¢ . Drove from thence to Chisholm's Mills and brought home 1700 lbs of bran out of the ton bought last month. also bought another 1/2 ton @ \$5.50. Delivered our bull "Rose Lea Duke" in Brampton to Folliss and received \$65.00. Weight of bull 1830 lbs.

Tuesday, 11.

Spent last evening at S. S. singing practice. Started to work today for the first in two weeks by sawing wood in the bush with cross-cut into 2 ft lengths. Had Willy Hewitt to help, Visitors today Mr & Mrs James Thompson of 4th line East.

Dec. Wednesday, 12. 1877.

At same work as yesterday Tonight, Em, Viney and I went to Brampton Concert Hall to the "Oratorio of Esther" (by Bradbury) sung by 100 voices all Bramptonians (except two) all dressed in Ancient costume It was well rendered and a rich treat.

Thursday, 13.

Cutting wood continued. All either fallen timber or dry trees, not much of either in the woods. The weather is remarkable, quite mild and not a sign of snow. Have the sheep about two hours every day pasturing on the fall wheat.

Friday, 14.

Further continuation of same work, viz, sawing with the four hand cross cut saw. Spent evening in town, doing a little business, taking Em to Mrs Vodden's for music lesson and an hour at Choir Practice. Received a Joplin newspaper.

Dec. Saturday, 15. 1877.

Another day in the woods It is pretty hard work pulling away at the saw, but we manage about 2½ cords of stove wood per day. Bought a new axe at Peaker's @ \$1.20. Splendid moonlight nights and roads getting smooth.

Sunday, 16.

At S School two hours this forenoon, lesson, Acts XXVIII "St Paul at Rome" the last recorded Acts of the Apostles except St John at Patmos. In town tonight at P. M. Church. Rev Mr Reid the pastor preached about "Home Jealousies" from Genesis XXXVII.

Monday, 17.

A splendid day warm and bright. In the woods and warm work it was. Quit the hardwood for a time and started sawing hemlock into 2 ft blocks, rather speedier work. Spent tonight at the S School singing practice.

Dec. Tuesday, 18. 1877

Sawing hemlock into 4 ft lengths, intended for sale. Somewhat colder and signs of a storm. Spent this evening at R Smiths, M. P. in social chat, the host being in one of his best moods, cheery and talkative. Tonight it is raining.

Wednesday, 19.

The rain has taken out of the ground the frost and the roads are mud, muddy. Sold and delivered to Mr R Rossiter 3/4 cord dry maple @ \$4.00 per cord. Tonight was spent at Ebenezer S School singing practice.

Thursday, 20.

Working all day at "other place" woods. Put up over 2 cords of basswood and black ash. Frost out of the timber, so it cuts very easily. A mild cloudy day. We are making a wire screen victuals safe for the cellar.

Dec. Friday, 21. 1877.

In the lower woods again whacking away at a big basswood for soft cordwood. Spent evening in town doing various little matters of detail. Was an hour at the regular Choir Practice in the C. M. Church.

Saturday, 22.

A fog settle down upon us yesterday at noon which bids fair to enshroud us for several days. Was half of today in the woods and remainder doing some necessary repairs to inside of Zion Church. At home tonight studying up S. S. Lesson.

Sunday, 23.

Through a dense mist we drove up to S School (also 6 inch deep of sticky mud) the lesson, II Timothy IV 1 to 8, "Paul's last words and dying charge to Timothy". Took dinner at J C Snell's. Tonight heard Rev C E McIntyre preach, text, John III 3rd verse.

Dec. Monday, 24. 1877.

Weather does not improve any. A thick fog with an east wind still prevails. Spent about half a day in the woods. Towards night went to Brampton for to get ready to be able to act as "Santa Claus" at home. Took tea at A F Campbells in his new house.

Tuesday, 25.

Received letter from Oshawa last night. Christmas Day in a fog, it is now five days duration. the roads with mud are almost impassible, consequently it has been a dull day. We had no visitors at all but had a good dinner all to ourselves. Day passed quietly and pleasantly,

Wednesday, 26.

Made a trip to town for to meet Aunt Jennie Rice and her little folks, from Oshawa. Mailed a letter containing \$4.00 to Rev S Rose in Toronto for "Christian Guardian" and "Scribners Monthly" for one year. Also subscribed for the Weekly Globe \$1.75.

Dec. Thursday, 27. 1877.

Resumed operations in the "lower woods" cutting hemlock cordwood. In town tonight at an entertainment in C M Church, readings by Prof Smith of Toronto and illustrations with crayon on paper, a great treat, also some music by local talent.

Friday, 28.

The remarkable weather continues, slight frosts at night and sunny days. There has been a good deal of plowing done in the country this week. At same work as yesterday only in the basswood line.

Saturday, 29.

Done a lively day's chopping put up rather more than 2 cords of basswood. The folks and our visitors spent the day visiting the Brampton friends. Mr George Rice came tonight from Oshawa. Weather some colder, with enough frost to dry up the mud.

Dec. Sunday, 30. 1877.

To S School this morning, the lesson, A review of past quarter's lessons. Mr J C Snell, N V Watson and myself conducted, taking a month each. Also an address from Mr J Huxley, A special collection for benefit of school. Heard Rev J H Starr tonight, text John III, 16th.

Monday, 31.

The last day of the year was spent at home. J C Snell and family were here and the friends from Oshawa and consequently we had our New Year's dinner one day ahead of time. Weather fine and clear, a little frosty, the ground bare and the roads very rough.

Spent the last few hours of the dying year in Brampton at a large public meeting in Concert Hall held for the nomination of Town Councillors plenty of fun and excitement The old year expired on my way home from Town on foot.

Memoranda;

Jan 22nd, Chopped, 16 bush oats & peas

Mar 7th " 11 " " 12 "

" 17th Gristed 12 bush Treadwell

April 4th Chopped 13 bush oats & 9 bush peas, 5 bush corn

May 23rd Gristed 12 bush wheat

July 17th Chopped 5 " peas, 5 oats

Aug 14th " 5 " " 5 "

" " Gristed 13 bush Treadwell

Sept 25 Chopped 5 peas 5 oats

Oct " 12 bush barley

Nov 10 " 23 " "

" " Gristed 10 " wheat

January, - Cash Received.

		\$	¢	\$	¢
3rd	For 25 bush of Treadwell @ \$1.17	29	25		
16	From N White for hide of 70 lbs	4	00		

22	From T Milner for 25½ bush barley @ 68¢ per bush	17	34		
"	From J C Snell 130 lbs beef @ 7¢	9	10		
"	" On old acc/	16	00		
		75	69		

January. - Cash Paid.

		\$	¢
3rd	Subscriptions for newspapers	6	50
"	For S School purposes	2	00
"	Superannuated C M Ministers	1	00
"	Incidentals	3	00
6	For stone steps (cellar)	4	50
8	Expenses to Toronto	8	00
10	For flagstones	2	25
11	" Geography &c	1	25
16	Sundries	2	00

17	Co Peel Agr Society	1	00
19	To "Cook" for 4 squ shingles @ 1.70	6	80
23	Townsend for lime	1	50
22	Sundries	2	00
25	For 3 lbs sulphur		30
"	Sundries		90
27	To Cook for lumber	3	55
31	" Co of Peel S. S. Convention	1	00
		47	55
"	Other items	7	45
		55	00

February. - Cash Received

		\$	¢
6th	From Hewitt for rough firewood	1	00
9th	From G Davis on Shorthorn Acc/	3	00

16th	From W Newhouse on Short Horn acc/	4	50
24th	From T Milner for 57 bush barley @ 62¢	35	50
"	" 26 bush Treadwell @ \$1.40	36	35
		80	35

February. - Cash Paid.

		\$	¢
10th	To Sanderson the Agt for Co Peel Insurance Co'y for am't of \$2000.	3	00
16th	For incidentals	2	00
24	To Milner for 5 bbls plaster @ 1.50	7	50
"	" 8 bush corn @ 60¢	4	80
"	Sundries	2	20
28	Mailed a letter to W Rennie, Toronto for 7 bush Fern wheat @ \$1.80 per bush and price 3 bags	13	35
26	Expenses to Toronto	6	00
		38	85

March. - Cash Received.

		\$	¢
12th	From A F Campbell for 6 cords of wood @ \$3.33⅓ per cord	20	00
24th	From J Learment on Short Horn Acc/	3	00
		23	00

March. - Cash Paid.

		\$	¢
1st	To Peaker & Runions for nails & Hardware	1	00
3rd	To Maxwell for chopping	4	75
7	For chopping grain	1	00
"	Sundries	2	00
14	For dressed lumber	2	00
"	Sundries and Viney to Toronto	5	00
12	To Guy Bell for bricks & sundries	14	50
17	To McCandless for one new halter	1	25
20	For 1 ton of salt	4	25

24	Freight on spring wheat from Toronto		48
"	Sundries	4	00
30	" "	3	00
		43	23

April.-Cash Received.

		\$	¢
11th	From J C Snell for 6 bush orchard grass seed	17	00
14th	From N. White for veal calf	4	00
21st	For 6 bags potatoes @ \$1.40	8	40
		29	40

April. - Cash Paid.

		\$	¢
4	To Main for chopping	1	20
"	Sundries	1	80
9	Expenses to Toronto and articles bought there	13	00
22	For Methodist Missions	6	00
21st	To K. C & Co for 1 peck of "Eldorado" spring wheat	2	00
26	Sundry articles	5	00
		29	00

May. - Cash Received.

		\$	¢
5th	From C.P.A.S. for 1st prize on "Duke of Rose Lea	8	00
23rd	From R Smith for 1/2 ton of hay	4	00
22	" D S Taylor for 2 bags potatoes	2	50
29th	For produce	5	00

"	" Bank interest	7	50
		27	00

May. - Cash Paid

		\$	¢
3rd	To F. W. Stone for 1 box of McDougall's	1	12
5	At K. C. & Co for a suit of grey tweed to be paid in 2 months	20	00
"	Sundries	5	88
9	Necessaries	3	25
10	Fruit trees	4	75
19	To Euart for boots	1	50
"	Sundries	2	50
23	"	2	00
		41	00

August. -Cash Received.

		\$	¢
23rd	For farm produce	6	60
24th	" " "	2	00
29th	" Int on Bank Deposit \$300. 3 mos @ 5 per ct	3	75
		12	35

August. - Cash Paid

		\$	¢
4th	Various things	4	00
10	Running expenses	7	00
14	Sundries	4	00
19	For St John's sufferers		50
23rd	For household necessities	4	00
29th	To A M Campbell for harvest wages	3	75
31st	To W Hewitt on harvest wages	5	60
"	" W A Mitchell repairs on watch	2	00

"	For a book	1	00
		31	85

September. -Cash Received

		\$	¢
1st	From B Watson on cattle acc/	11	00
10	From Graham for ram lamb	16	00
29	From D Wiggins for a lamb (Note) given last year	8	00
		35	00

September. - Cash Paid

		\$	¢
1st	Artikameg	50	00
7th	To Dr Patullo for acc/	7	00
8	Expenses to Toronto	4	00
12th	Reform Picnic	2	00
15	For various things	3	00
28th	Travelling expenses	2	50

		68	50
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October. - Cash Received.

		\$	¢
1st	From Cooney for ram lamb	14	00
9th	From Clarke for lamb	14	50
10	" Dyer for lamb	10	00
"	" Ledlow "	9	00
"	" Franks for ewe lambs	30	00
16	From Early for lamb	<u>16</u>	<u>00</u>
26	For Co of Peel Agr Society for prizes		50
		7	00
"	From Holtby on cattle acc/	1	50
		102	00

October. - Cash Paid.

		\$	¢
3rd	Items of expense	4	00
6	Household necessities	3	00
"	" "	2	00
9th	Fair expenses	2	00
10th	Expenses to Guelph	3	00
13th	To J Elliot for new plow	20	00
"	" Hewitt for wages	10	50
"	" W K Graham for dining table	15	00
15	To Euart for boots	4	50
19	" McGrath on wages	7	00
20	Items	2	00
26	Clothing &c	20	00
31st	To Jones for wages	9	00
		102	00

November. - Cash Received.

		\$	¢
1st	From Mr Alex Cunnington for ram	25	00
"	From Jabez Heath for ram lamb	12	00
"	" Tomalin for hens	1	75
"	" K. C & Co for butter	11	00
2nd	" " " for 68¾ bush barley @ 50¢	34	37
3rd	From Petch for pig	12	00
6	" Modeland for lamb	12	00
13	" Burke for sheepskin & pair ducks	1	30
42 16	For lambskin	1	00
20	" cows from Peter Chisholm	6	00
21	" 59 bush barley @ 61¢	36	00
26	" 3 sheep	24	00
		176	42

November. - Cash Paid

		\$	¢
1st	To K C & Co on acc/	11	00
"	Sundry necessary articles	4	00
3rd	In Toronto for an overcoat	7	00
"	Incidentals	1	50
5	To Campbell's blacksmith acc/	19	00
9	Sundries	5	00
10	To Rossiter for threshing	10	50
"	" K C & Co, ton, bran	10	50
"	For lumber &c	2	50
12	" Taxes	31	00
10	" chopping barley and lumber	2	50
14	" umbrella	1	90
16	" sundries	2	10
21	" groceries	3	00

24	" Furniture & beef	10	50
26	" sulky rake	30	00
30	" Sundries	8	00
		160	00

December. -Cash Received.

		\$	¢
6th	From J C Snell for sheep & pigs	78	00
"	For 19 lbs butter @ 19	\$3	60
8	" R Smith on cows	4	50
10	From Folliss for 2 yr old bull	65	00
12	" T Milner for 58 bush barley @ 63¢	36	40
28	From J Newlove on cows acc/	3	00
		190	50

December.-Cash Paid.

		\$	¢
3rd	To Mr Cheyne for 8 lbs feathers	4	80

6	" J C Snell for 365 lbs pork @ 5	18	25
"	" K. C. & Co on acc/	20	60
"	For dry goods	20	00
8	" K C & Co the balance of acc/	14	00
"	" Sundries	2	00
"	" R Smith for 10 bush Treadwell seed wheat @ 1.25	12	50
10	To K. C & Co for 1/2 ton bran	5	50
12	" repairs on the sewing machine &c	4	50
15	For a new axe	1	20
24	Santa Claus	5	00
27	For newspapers	5	75
"	" work done by Hewitt	4	00
31st	Sundries	2	00
		120	10

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June.-Cash Received.

		\$	¢
16th	From K. C & Co for 251 lbs of wool @ 27½¢	69	00
26th	From J Scott for mare "Nellie"	140	00
		209	00

June.-Cash Paid

		\$	¢
5th	To Grange for Groceries	3	75
8	Incidentals	2	25
12	Sundries and groceries	5	00
16	To K. C. & Co on acc/	30	00
23rd	In total to W McGrath on wages	20	00
29	Sundries	5	00
		66	00

July.-Cash Received.

		\$	¢
13th	From J Woodhall for veal calf	4	00
19th	" Woodhall for fowls	3	00
		7	00

July. -Cash Paid

		\$	¢
10	Sundries	5	00
23	To McGrath on wages	7	00
"	Sundries	3	00
27th	Some dry goods	2	00
		17	00

Summary of Cash Received.

		\$	¢
Jan 31	From all sources	75	69
Feb 28th	"	80	35

Mar 31st	" " "	23	00
Apr 30th	" " "	29	40
May 31st	" " "	27	00
June 30th	" " "	209	00
July 31st	" " "	7	00
Aug 31st	" " "	12	35
Sept 30th	" " "	35	00
Oct 31st	" " "	102	00
Nov 30th	" " "	176	42
Dec 31st	" " "	190	50
	{Total}	478	74
	{Total}	\$967	71
	{Total}	408	77

Summary of Cash Paid.

		\$	¢
Jan 31st	Amount in bulks	55	00

Feb 28th	" " "	38	85
Mar 31st	" " "	43	23
Apr 30th	" " "	29	00
May 31st	" " "	41	00
June 30th	" " "	66	00
July 31st	" " "	17	00
Aug 31st	" " "	31	85
Sept 30th	" " "	68	50
Oct 31st	" " "	102	00
Nov 30th	" " "	160	00
Dec 31st	" " "	120	10
		\$772	53

967.71 <u>772.53</u> 195.18	= 195.18
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June 27th - Deposited in
Dominion Bank at Brampton
\$100.00 bearing interest
at rate of five per cent
per annum

Dec 7th Deposited in the
Dominion Bank at
Brampton \$50.00

Dec 12th Deposited in
Dominion Bank at
Brampton \$50.00

For more information on John Ferguson, check out the “Meet the Diarists” section under “Discover” on our website: ruraldiaries.lib.uoguelph.ca