

Forbes Moir (1851 - 1914)

1884-1904

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Estimate cost of Ditch No 1. \$525 Contract 560

" " " " No 2 838 " 517

James Brownle. Eady P. 6

A Good Condition Powder. 1/2 lb Gentian Half lb Iron Powder 1/4 lb ginger 1/2 Nitrate Potash Powder mix well Give Table spoon twice a day for 10 days

West Garafraxa was Surveyed in 1820 By S. Rykman

Size of Box Holding a Bush. 15 in Long 10 in Deep 14 1/3 wide

Drainage amdt {amendment} act - 1900. Gara {Garafraxa} By Law No 11- 1901 Size of Cistern {Diagram of rectangular box - inside 9-4 3 ft. deep - outside on right edge sideways 6-6}

Tonic for Cattle

1/2 Lb each of Gentian and Nux vomica 1 Lb Ginge {Ginger} 1 1/2 Bicarbonate Soda mix well full Grown animal 1 Table spoonful 3 times a day in 1/2 Pint Cold water younger animals less

Total Cost of Ditch No 1 \$612.56

" " " " 2 580.23

{bottom of page and upside down} August 4th 1885 Measured Distance :tween corner stakes of E 1/2 lots 9 & 10 4th Con and West 1/2 of D2 and found it 17 ft 2 in

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1884 July 29 finished haying a fair crop

" 30 very heavy rain all afternoon

" 31 all fornoon wet this harvest rain this summer

August 2 clear & fine helping Kelsey with hay

" 3 more rain

" 4 " " Cutting thistles

" 6 at Fergus Bot land from White 7 1/2 acres for \$165.00

" 10 Dry but Cool

" 13 hot " 14 very hot hoeing turnips a {at} J Milnes

" 15 " " " " " D "

"16 Still hot Pulling Peas

" 17 " " Bill Gerrie here

" 21 still very hot

" 22 Cooler, new cabbage a {Agnes, Forbes' wife} to Fergus Butter

" 27 Frost warm Day

" 28 Peas all in Cutting wheat Rain Evening

" 29 rainy morning at Fergus

September 1 Fine Club meeting

" 3 Wheat all cut Splendid Weather

"4 Drawing Wheat Cutting oats Warm

" 6 very warm Ditch let

" 8 rain last night & this morn A. Moore here

" 10 Thunder & rain in afternoon

" 13 Frost morn Wheat all in quite Cool

" 16 Drawing oats Slight rain

" 17&18 Reaping at D Milnes Cool and Pleasant

" 19 rain in afternoon Done Threshing

" 20 at Fergus got Deed. From J. White

" 21 Fine Lot of Lightning at night

" 22 Hear thunder storm and Rain {right side of page written sideways} got paid \$165.00

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Sept 23 more Rain all Day

" 24 rain morn high wind heavy Rain coming

" 25 Fair finished cutting

" 26 " all in the Barn good crop on the whole

" 27 a very heavy rain without thunder

" 28 more rain ground very wet for season

" 30 rain again

Octr 1 Fair Scraping out Ditch

" 2 at Fergus Cold Rain

" 3.4 Still some rain

" 6 Fine and warm " 8 rain this morning Threshing to Day and yesterday afternoon

" 9 Frost. Took in stove. Kelsey Threshing

" 10 fine last day of county show in Elora

" 11 Lifting Potatoes

" 14 heavy Frost, finished Potatoes

" 15 at Mangolds & Surveying with White

" 17 finished Mangolds Thompsons thresh

" 18 Drawing out dung

" 22 Last night a heavy rain & high wind to day showerg

" 23 first snow of the Season 2 inches

" 24 Snow yet & Frosty Dung all out - 70 loads

" 25 Clear & frosty all day

" 27 Slight Rain all day at Fergus with chop

" 28 Fine started Turnips

" 29 " at Fergus on train (J. Woods 8 months

Novr 1 Snowed heavy all afternoon

" 3 very fine all busy at Turnips

" 4 a very heavy rain all Day

" 5&6 Snowing and heavy frost

" 7 frost with mist D. & J. Mi {Milne short form?} finished turnips

" 8 fine and Sunny all Day at Turnips

November 10 Finished Turnips (fair Crop) after one the Worst - Seasons for it - in 7 years. fine. spreading Dung

" 12 fine J. M. {J. Milne?} threshing

" 13 Plowing in Dung

" 14 very fine Kelsey here Plowing

" 15 Still fine at Fergus in the evening

" 17 finished Plowing in Dung and Pea land

" 18 Heavy frost. Plowing though most are stoped

" 20 Thomsons threshing hard froze

" 21 Smith " " "

" 23 a heavy rain till 12 noon

" 24 frosty and snow blowing hard all day

" 26 killing pigs at Kelseys Snowy

" 27 Killed pig at Fergus with {Land?} with Sleigh

" 28 at Fergus with Pig 300 @5.65 Maggie Milne D

December 1 Funereal of M. Milne Frosty and Sunny

" 2 Fine Drawing Stones at W. Thomsons

" 4 Extra fine for the Season Snow nearly gone

" 5 fine but misty afternoon

" 6 Misty - rain all afternoon

" 7 Raian all day Frost out

" 8 Showers of snow no Frost Ploughing all day

" 9 Pretty stormy all day

" 11 Frosty. at Fergus got Plank

" 12.13 Fine Threshing at Kelseys

" 15 Heaviest fall of snow for season sleighing finished Kelsey

" 16 Stormy. Christmas Fair. Sold Hiefer

" 19 These 3 days very Cold today 25° below zero

" 20 Cold and rain Threshing at J. Milnes Jr

" 22 very Stormy " finished "

" 26 Fine Killed a pig

" 27 " Paid John Wright in full for pasturing Cattle 3 months @ 75¢ = \$12.00 2 Pigs 5.00

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Decr. 29 Nomination Soft and raining

" 30 Still soft Snow going fast

" 31 heavy rain last night river broke up Snow nearly all gone. Sleighing quite gone

1885

Jany 1 Weather Changed to frost quickly last night cold to Day

" 5 Municipal Polling very fine & mild

" 6 raining all forenoon Elora fair Down with Heifer

" 8 Slight frost D M. Thrashings

" 10 very Blustery last night First Lamb to Day

" 13 Cold & raw Funeral of E. Bremmer

" 16 Snow Last night Sleighing again

" 17 Cold and very stormy

" 18 - 19 very Cold But quiet 5 Below

" 21 Cold. Sow away

" 22 " Fair day at Fergus in afternoon

" 23 Milder Killed a pig

" 26 Very Stormy Biggest drifts of the Season

" 27 at Douglas to Blacksmith

" 28 at Fergus with hay for Thompson A {Agnes} came home been visiting since Sun

" 31 Fine and Sunny

Feby 1 very Drifty James Johnston here

" 3 at Kelseys Killing Pigs Moderate

" 5 at Fergus with hay Sharp

" 6 very fine Drawing dung from Robbies

" 8 Snow last night a little Drift to day first Calf

- " 9 Snow & Drift from the East
- " 10 very Cold D. Campbells Sale
- " 11 & 12 Still very Cold & stormy
- " 14 stormy yet
- " 16 Last night very stormy with heavy Snow
- " 18 yesterday & to day fine but cold

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Feb 19 Pleasant to Fergus Fair day dull

- " 22 Since the last fine
- " 23 fine at Fergus with chop
- " 25 the Last 2 Days very fine
- " 27 fine Fergus with hay for Thompson
- March 2 Quite soft with hay to Black
- " 3 Snowing but mild Drawing Slabs for J. G
- " 5 Fergus with hay John Richardson night
- " 10 Cold & Stormy the worst this winter
- " 11 at Fergus with a Pig very sharp tho Calm
- " 14 fine since the last

" 17 very stormy Since 14th 12 below this morning the Roads Blocked the worst this winter

- " 19 at Fergus with the last of the hay Fair day and very stormy
- " 23 fine Easter fair in Fergus Dull
- " 24 Snowing and very stormy all day
- " 26 first thaw and soft day
- " 27 mild and soft
- " 29 Frosty again
- " 30 at Fergus with chop very snowy
- " 31 Drifty forenoon clear afternoon

April 1 Clear with cold north wind

" 2 First rain since Jan'y 6th. voting on Scott act carried By-1408 majority

" 3 very heavy fall of Snow and Drifting train late

" 4 Bright & Cold at Belwood with ties for {McKea?}

" 5 Some rain and Snow

" 6 very soft all day Sunny first Robins

" 7 Soft Mist & rain

" 8 Cold and frosty with a high wind

" 9 fine at Belwood fixing Gang Plow Sleighing Fair

" 11 at Salem with Grist Sleighing fair

" 12 quite Stormy with Snow falling

" 13 Cold Drifting all Day

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April 14&15 Raw and Frosty

" 16 Fair day Sold 2 steers Softest day for a while

" 17 quite soft River broke up oppisite this

" 18 Snow going fast Sleighs a {at} Fergus likely the last

" 19 very fine. Swallows Seen

" 21 very warm Snow nearly Gone R. Milnes. Plow

" 23 Plowing very warm after one of the hard winters Snow not so deep as some nor so Cold for Single days but Steady hard Frost

" 25 Frosty morn at Fergus with chop

" 26 heavy rain last night cool to day

" 28 heavy fall of Snow from the north & Drifting

" 30 Still very cool

May 2 hard Frost would have stopt harrowing

" 3 very hard frost

" 4 milder Sowing Oats

" 5 rain this morning
" 6 " " "
" 7 " " " Moving J. Wilkie
" 9 Stormy Ground covered with Snow till near noon
" 10 quite a frost
" 11 Sowing Wheat milder
" 13 Sowing Grass Seed fine & warm
" 15 finished Plowing Sowing Peas
" 16 finished Sowing (oats) Splendid Weather
" 20 Plowing for J. Richardson warm
" 21 Fair day. Wild plums in bloom & Trees in Leaf
" 22 Plowing for Brownlee Rain
" 24 Some Rain very heavy in some places
" 25 " " Building line fence Thompsons
" 26 at Belwood (Blacksmiths)
" 27 Gang Plowing fine
" 28 Whitewashing Putting on sleepers at Thompsons

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May 29 Putting on Sleepers at J. Richardsons
June 1 Cold. Raising at Wm Thompsons
" 2 Plowing for Potatoes
" 3 Planting "
" 4 raising a {at} R. Robinsons rain at night
" 6 Plowing for turnips. Planting Beans & Corn
" 8 very cold heavy Thunder storm last night
" 10 frost at Fergus getting plow fixed
" 11 Warm. Jas Richardson Raising
" 12 " Sowing Turnips

" 13 " " " rain morn & evening
 " 15 Sodding front house. Rain
 " 16 at Fergus With cow & Lambs Cool
 " 18 Finished sowing Swedes fine
 " 19 Planted Cabbage
 " 20 a very heavy rain at night
 " 21 more rain
 " 22 very cold frost in some Places
 " 24 at Guelph with Wheat 25cts fine day
 " 26 Very Heay rain and thunder at night - W. Nott warm
 " 29 Road work Cold
 July 2 Finished Road work rain evening Cold
 " 3 Scuffling & started to thin Turnips
 " 7 Thinning Turnips saw first bloom on Peas
 " 8 Thunder to the north Scuffling Tatoes got Pigs
 " 9 at Belwood ties to Mc heavy Rain & thunder
 " 10 A. Richardsons raising Fine cool at night
 " 13 heavy rain in afternoon. A. Browns raising
 " 14 fine Wheat out in head
 " 15 Warm. at Salem for flour
 " 17 Started to Cut hay warm
 " 22 Finished Cutting R. Road & orchard
 all in on - " " " " very warm since 10th

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uly {July - pg cut off} 25 Finised thinning Turnips Thunder & rain

" 27 Putting P. {Paris} Green on, Tatoes {potatoes} & mowing in Timothy

" 28 boling {bailing?} hay Rain & thunder in evening

" 29 at Thos Richardsons Raising fine

" 30 Finished cutting Hay 92 in the Shade

gust {August - pg cut off} 1 Hay all in Insured in {illegible initial} Mutual 5 years

" 3 Rain nearly all day Cutting Thistles

" 5 Reaping Wheat for Milne's

" 6 Scuffling and Cleaning Turnips

" 8 Working at Ditch first new Potatoes

11 Scraping in Ditch very hot

" 12 " " " meeting about ditch in afternoon

" 13 A. {initial for Agnes, Forbes' wife} at Eramosa. Thunder storm at night

" 15 Finished 2nd hoeing Turnips

" 17 Scraping in Ditch all day Leybourne

" 18 " " " " " rain & Thunder at night

" 19 Started to cut wheat Cool

" 22 Pulling Peas

" 24 a very heavy rain at Fergus

" 27 Finished cutting wheat

" 28 Reaping at Milnes. Broke Reaper

"= 29 Peas all. Pulled

31 at Fergus with Lambs

tr {September - pg. cut off} 1 finished Reaping at Milnes Rain & hail

2 Heavy Frost Drawing Peas Leybourne finished Digging Ditch

3 Peas all in Rain

" 5 Wheat all in. Rain more or less nearly every day for 2 week & Cold

" 7 Cutting oats. very fine & warm. Ditch Passed

" 8-9 Steady heavy Rain from the East

" 10 Threshing a {at} Thompsons fine

" 13 Rain again quite heavy

" 16 Finished Cutting Cool

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Sepr 17 Drawing oats. Mullan here Fine.

" 20 Fine Mrs Coutts & Robt here

" 21 " Crop all in fair Crop except wheat which is rusted

" 22 at Salem for Flour very Cold

" 24 J Milne Jr threshing warm

" 25 D. Milne " "

" 26 Kelsie " "

" 29 Passed Ditch no 2. very hot

Octr 1 at Mill for Slabs and J. Blacks for waggon Bottom

" 2 Lifting Potatoes

" 3 " " heavy rain at night first time since 13th Sepr

" 5 First Snow flying, at Duckworths & Fergus

" 6 Drawing out manure very cold

" 10 at Fergus to Church (Fast Day) warm

" 12 Potatoes all up Plentiful crop but a lot Rotten

" 13 heavy Rain last night & to Day Garafraxa Show

" 14 " " " " very heavy

" 16 Dung all out warm. Erin Show

" 17 started to Plow in manure

" 21 Threshing oats Fine Peas fair. Wheat the Poorest we ever had Fine Day

" 23 at J. Milnes Raining in forenoon & yesterday afternoon

" 24 at Fergus in evening. Grand weather

" 26 finished plowing in Dung. toping turnips. taking in Cabbage

" 27 Drawing in Turnips. Rain at night

" 28&29 Drizzling Rain

- " 30 First taste of winter. Put Ram with ewes at Fergus with Chop
- " 31 2 inches of Ice Drawing wood for D. Mills
- Novr 1 Drizzling rain nearly all Day
- " 2 Drawing turnips all topped and Harrowed some Snow
- " 3 Snowing
- " 4 " " rain from the East
- " 5 Turnips all in about Half a Crop. heavy rain from East
- " 7 Digging a ditch rain every Day this week Thompsons sheep here

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- Novr 9 showers of snow & rain Tibbits sheep here
- " 10 Beautiful Day. Plowing
- " 11 Plowing Bee at J. Milnes fine Kelseys sheep
- " 12 Firing out Turnip & Pea Land Thanksgiving D
- " 13 Rain last Night & thunder to Day cold R. R here
- " 14 quite a fall of snow. Smith threshing to Fergus
- " 16 Showers of Snow all Day A {Agnes} to Fergus
- " 17 Drawing logs from River J. Milne threshing
- " 18 Plowing Forenoon heavy rain afternoon
- " 19 " killing Pigs at Brownlees
- " 20 Chopping frosty
- " 21 Finer Plowing
- " 23 Making Road in Swamp People still Plowing
- " 24 Plowing stopt by Frost Drawing wood for D. Mills
- " 25 Some snow Killing Pigs at Kelseys
- " 26 fixing Stall for Brownlee D. Milne Killed Cow
- " 27 Drawing wood from swamp very fine
- " 28 at Belwood ties for Mc Shod mare fine

" 30 A {Agnes} at Fergus got Children vacs

Decr 1 Laying foundation of line fence Whites

" 2 Fine and mild for a week Kelsey Plowing sod

" 3 Froze up again

" 5 A Lot of snow and great Drifty last night & to Day Kelsey Threshing Day&1/2

" 6 rough all day and very Cold

" 7 D. Milne Threshing Sleighing Hanna's Sheep

" 8 D. Mills Bee Snowing heavy all afternoon

" 9 Thaw last night & to Day most of snow gone Cleaning Wheat

" 11 at Fergus with Chop with Waggon

" 12 " " for " Sleigh first

" 13 Christmas Fair sold cow Rather Dull

" 19 Drifting very wild to day. Fine since the last. Bad with Cold 3 days

" 21 Milder almost a thaw at Council meeting at Belwood

" 22 quite Soft

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Decr 23 Raining mild Sleighing all gone

" 24 very fine slight frost grand for the season

" 25 " " Clear & Bright no sleighing

" 26 " " Chopping in swamp last 3 days

" 28 Nomination quite mild

" 29 J. White here chopping in swamp fine

" 30 J. Milne Threshing. thawing Horses got straw

" 31 Quite soft all day

1886

Jany 1 Fine Dance a {at?} John Richardsons

" 2 Raw & misty at Fergus E. vacs {E. = Edna, Forbes daughter ?}

" 4 Election Heavy Rain all day Sow away

" 5&6 Froze up again very cold

" 11 Still very Cold 4° Below a Fergus with Chop

" 13 milder meeting to Choose Delegates

" 14 Fine Convention met & choose Dr Wallace

" 15 Still fine & Sunny Good Wheeling

" 16 Rain all Day

" 18 Killing Pigs at Kelseys Stormy yesterday & to Day

" 19 " one at home Stormy mother & Charlie Ferg {Fergus}

" 21 yesterday & last night heaviest Fall of snow this winter Fair Day

" 22 & 22 very drifts Roads getting Heavy

" 23&24 Calm. Bright & Frosty

" 27 These last 3 day Mild and misty

" 30 Colder. At Fergus Mary here

Feby 1 fine But very sharp

" 2 Cold & quite stormy

" 4 2 days very sharp But Calm 22 Below zero

" 6 milder

" 8 very fine Snow quite soft and thawing

" 10 Still Thawing Killed Pig. Sow away at J. Johnston

" 11 Still warm and misty Cleaning wheat K. {illegible}

" 12 mist & Rain Sleighing about gone

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Febry 14 Snowing all day but still soft

" 15 at Salem for Flour Snowing & Freezing {shgrts?}

" 16 at Fergus with Chop & grist very drifts Roads Blocked

" 18 Fine. Fair Day Sold Grey Heifer. Cattle Sheep

- " 19 Soft Snow falling all day
- " 20 Last night and to day very Drifty
- " 22 Rough & stormy at Fergus with Oats
- " 25 Rain all day. G.T. R. {Grand Trunk Railway} Smash, aboyne (26)
- " 26 Drifting & very Cold Griffins Sale
- " 27-28 Fine quiet & Cold

March 2 very rough& cold the longest cold snap all winter

- " 5 Killed a steer for Kelsey milder
 - " 6 very fine. at Eramosa & Guelph for W-G-Wheat
 - " 7 Sunny sow away again
 - " 10 Still fine Mrs Black Srs Funeral to Fergus
 - " 14 fine at Nichol to Moirs
 - " 16 Sunny W. Rae's Sale
 - " 17 Misty. Jas Clarke here to Fergus D. M.
 - " 18 Fair Day still mild
 - " 19 Rain all Day with Thunder & Lightning
 - " 20 Drawing Sand For Cull Misty & Wet all Day
 - " 21 Rain & Snow all Day
 - " 23 quite a drift last night frosty
 - " 24 at Fergus with Chop fair Sleighing
 - " 27 These last 3 days moderate Thaw East wind Robins
 - " 29 Killed Little Pig
 - " 30 Two Misty Days with Some Rain
 - " 31 Great thaw Rainy all day lots of Wheels Runing K. to Fergus
- April 1 Snowing all day. River Broke up
- " 2 More snow fair sleighing at Belwood fixing sleigh
 - " 3 Fair and Cold First Lambs
 - " 5 Milder Sawing logs

" 6 The worst Drift this Winter from the N.E Elora Fair

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April 7 Cleared up got Kelsie to Break Road

" 8 First Calf :Daisy: mild

" 10 still gently thawing Bad Roads Cons Blocked & Gravel Bare

" 12 Raining all Day

" 13 Beautiful Day Easter Fair Sold steers 2360 \$100 Bridges & Dams went

" 14 at Fergus with waggon Chapman Plowing

" 15 at Belwood to Blacksmiths very warm

" 16 Plowing Genral after a very good winter With Few storms or very cold days swallows seen

" 17 Warm. Sowing grass seed at J. Milnes

" 19 Plowing the weather since the 13 very warm 77 Deg {Degrees}to Day

" 20 Gang Plowing for Peas 78 in shade

" 21 at Fergus to A. Gerries Funereal still hot

" 22 Sowing Peas still Hot

" 23 Warm thunder storm all night

" 24 Cooler Rain all Day

" 26 Rain yesterday & last night Cool to day

" 27 Digging Drain warmer

" 28 filling " Drawing wood & Plowing

" 29 Sowing oats

" 30 Cold Rain from the East all day

May 1 Day at Fergus with E {Edna - Forbes' daughter?} to Doctor

" 3 Finished plowing sod planted 2 Drills potatoes

" 4 Sowed last of peas. Rain all afternoon

" 5 Planting trees. Picking Stones. Cooler

" 7 finished harrowing sod

- " 8 Plowing all done at Jas. Kennedys but the Swamp Dry since the 4th Great Aroua Borealis night of 8th
- " 10 Rain from East all day. Cold. Wild Plums in bloom
- " 11 at fergus with Ram for Dawson
- " 12 Trees Pretty well out in Leaf (Early)
- " 13 Rain again from South
- " 14 Sowed wheat Thunder & Rain at night

1886 == == 14

May 15 Cooler & Drizzling all Forenoon

- " 16 flurries of hail Maggie Gerrie & John Here
- " 17 heavy frost last night ice on water and ground Frozen Sowing Oats and grass seed
- " 18 Fine away at Rettie & Clunie's Line Fence
- " 20 Finished Plowing far Swamp Touching Frost in fur
- " 21 Slight Frost Sowing " oats slight Rain
- " 22 Gang Plowing Turnip land very warm Thunder last night
- " 23 Cattle out to Fields, young cattle all night hot
- " 24 F.B Born at Belwood. mare shod Harrowing turnip land
- " 25 Picking Roots & Willows. Cold
- " 26 Plowing Rear Swamp. Cold
- " 27 Finished Plowing for Crop. Rain in morning warmer
- " 28 Finished Sowing Grain fine Day
- " 29 Fireflies seen Humming Birds 10 Days ago
- " 31 finished harrowing oats. Plowed Potatoe land

June 1 Cutting Potatoes.

- " 2 Finished Sowing Grass seed at Salem for Flour. Rain in the Forenoon
- " 4 Planting Potatoes
- " 5 Cross plowing Turnip land
- " 7 Rain. Finished Planting Potatoes at Belwood

- " 8 more rain at alton with John Gerrie
- " 11 finished Plowing for turnips warm Blanch calf 9th
- " 12 at Fergus with oats got turnip seed
- " 14 hot. sowing Turnips. put stone out. 80 in shade
- " 16 Hot. Turnips all sowed shower in the morning
- " 17 Fergus Fair. Rain. Saw Mrs. A. Gerrie. While {fixed?}
- " 18 Judy's Revision Funeral of D. Milnes Child
- " 19 Frost. putting on Sleepers at Culls
- " 21 at Fergus With sheep J. Sleeman. Came

1886 == == 15

June 22 Rain all day yesterday and till night to Day

- " 23 Culls Raising still Rainy & drizzilly
- " 25 Rain. very Heavy. the 5th day in succession
- " 26 Clipping sheep Cooler
- " 28 To Fergus with sheep for McIntyre
- " 29 Doing Road work. First Bloom on Peas
- " 30 To Fergus with Lizzie. G

July 1 Warm & Dry

- " 2 finished Road work over 90 in shade
- " 3 Hot & Dry putting Poles on Ditch & staking line Fence
- " 5 very Hot finished Line fence through {wates?} { word cut off in scan}
- " 6 Scuffling Potatoes & turnips thinning Turnips. D M{ cut off in scan}
- " 9 still very Dry & hot at Church
- " 10 " " " at Fergus in evng. Got money H. G
- " 14 First Rain Since 25th June
- " 15 Bot Pigs from Hammill & Rae @ 2.00 each
- " 16 at Fergus with Hay got alarm Clock

" 17 Got Pigs Home

" 19 First Green Peas to Day new Potatoes yesterday finished Thinning Turnips

" 20 mowing odd corners

" 21 at Kelseys Drawing in

" 22 at Fergus Fair day Plowing meeting Kelsey {illegible at edge of scan}

" 24 raking hay very warm. Scuffling A. {Agnes} To Fergus

" 26 Rain Last night and to Day

" 27 Drawing in hay very hot Great Display of northern lights

" 28 Slight Rain

" 29 " " at Fergus. Kelsey here morning

" 30 hoeing Turnips and Raking hay

" 31 Hay all in. Meeting here about Plowing Match

" 5 Holiday in Fergus things suffering for want of Rain

" " finished Turnip second Time

" 6 Reform Meeting in Elora. No Choice made

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g {Aug - page cut off} 6 Tibbit Cutting spring wheat Early

{“ - page cut off} 8 A. (Agnes?) Moir here

{“ - page cut off} 9 Finally finished Line fence Tween White & us

{“ - page cut off} 10 Drawing wood from Swamp

" 11 Started Pulling Peas A few drops of rain

" 12 D Milne's Threshing fall wheat & Barley

" 13 Went Picking Berries Good Shower evening first since late Jy {July}

" 14 finished Pulling first Peas

" 16 Drawed in 2 Loads of Peas. Rain in afternoon Heavy

" 18 Pulling second Patch Peas Cooler

" 20 finished Pulling Peas

" 21 Peas all in at Fergus in afternoon

" 22 J.&W. Gerrie here

" 23 started Gang Plowing

" 24 Harrowing

" 25 at Fergus to See Isie {Elizabeth?}

" 26 Started cutting oats

" 28 Heaviest Rain all summer, 92 in shade at Noon

" 30 Rain again

" 31 finished cutting lower field

ptr {Septr - page cut off} 1 at Fergus with Charlie to Dr. J Gerrie came

" 2 Reaping above track

" 3 Drawing in oats

" 5 Sunday Jas Blacks Funeral very Large 125 Rigs Hot

" 6 Drawing in oats above track

" 7 Cutting Oats very Hot

" 8 Cutting wheat at Fergus with Pears

" 9 rainy all day

" 10 at Belwood got mare shod

" 11 Cutting Oats Rain Jas Clark Here

" 13 Drawing in wheat Rain

" 14 Raking wheat slubble {stubble}

" 15 Drawing Oats all in But Swamp

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Septr 16 To fergus at Plowing Match meeting fair Day Heavy Rain

" 17 more Rain Cutting oats

" 18 Finished Cutting warmer Rain at night

" 20 Cold Rain yesterday all day. Scraping in yard for Gravel

" 21 Digging Ditch through yard

" 22 Crop all in Fair Crop but short straw Thunder & Rain at night

" 23 A. {Agnes} & J in Fergus to See Isie {Forbes mother Elizabeth?}

" 24 in Fergus J Brownlee Settling with D. Milne Isie {Elizabeth} away

" 25 Smith Do Rain through the night

" 27 J. Milne Jr Do Rain at night

" 28 Brownlee moving Rain

" 29 To Fergus with Wool. Thompson Threshing

" 30 Kelsey Threshing Rain at night

October 1 James Milne Thresh first Snow flying

" 2 Drawing wood from swamp

" 4 Rain in forenoon Drawing gravel for yard

" 5 Drawing Gravel Warm

" 6 Started Potatoes

" 8 Potatoes up Fine crop Fine warm Weather & Dry

" 9 Started to draw Dung at Fergus in Evening Plowing matc {match - page cut off}

" 11 at Fergus Getting Bills for P. {Plowing} Match Printed

" 12 Belwood Show Drawing Dung

" 14 heavy Rain with high wind Drawing Dung

" 16 Heavy Frost last night Some Snow Drawing " " Killed Lam {Lamb - page cut off}

" 17 Snowing all forenoon (3 in) rain all afternoon Dirty Day

" 18 Fine Dung all out

" 19 very fine Plowing Match

" 20 " " A {Agnes} to Everton with Mrs K

" 21 Still Fine lifting Radish & c {abbreviation for etc.}

" 22 " " Threshing fair yeild

" 23 " " To Fergus with A. {Agnes}

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Octr 25 Topping Turnips & lifting Cabbage

" 26 Pulled & took in Grey stone Harrowing & Drawing Swedes

" 27 Drawing Turnips Forenoon Rain afternoon

" 28 Drizzily all Day

" 30 Drawing Turnips To Day & yesterdays very Fine

Novr 1 " " very warm

" 2 Turnips all in a good Crop the most we ever had 79 Loads And the Weather very favourable

" 3 Scraping into Hallow at Station Ewes away to Ram

" 4 Spreading Manure & Plowing it in

" 5&6 " " " " very fine

" 8 Hard frost 2 nights fall of Snow today Plowing stopt

" 9 at Fergus with Grist Some still Plowing

" " at Wm Douglas sale in afternoon Bot 3 Cattle \$75.50 Due 12 mos

" 10 Misty Plowing forenoon. Thompsons Raising afternoon Rain

" 11 Fine Plowing Finished Covering manure

" 12 Cold. Plowing

" 13 Plowing all Stopt To Fergus For grist K. Pigs D.M

" 15 Fine but Frosty Drawing wood from Swamp

" 17 Heavy rain all day To Fergus Drawing wood JG

" 18 Stormy & Frosty D Mills case in Belwood

" 19 very stormy Drawing wood & ties off track

" 20 Fine & soft Finished DO {abbreviation for "the above"}

" 22 Fanning up oats

" 23 Rain all Day

" 24 Froze up again

" 25 Kelsey threshing Slight fall of Snow last night

" 26 " Finished Showers of Snow all Day

" 27 Thompsons to thresh But Broke meeting to Choose Delegates

" 29 Convention to Choose Candidates Reform Simple Choice

" 30 Finished Thompsons Threshing

Decr 1 Threshing at D Milnes. Broke went to Fergus

" 2 Finished " " " Stormy & Cold

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Decr 3 Threshing at J. Milnes Sr

" 4 " Finished " John Sleeman Corn {top right corner of page - 5th 6 Below Z}

" 6 Drawing wood & manure

" 7 Christmas Fair at Fergus. sow {snow} in Fornoorn

" 9 Fine. Went to Guelph & Model Farm

" 10 Killing Pigs for Kelsey. still Fine

" 11 Thaw & mist all Day

" 13 Killed a Pig Thaw & mist till noon then Cleared up Fine

" 14 To Fergus With Chop

" 15 Fine Clear and Cold

" 16 Fair Day Plowing match meeting in afternoon

" 17 Snow Last night but mild today

" 18 Fair sleighing to Day

" 20 Killing Pigs at Jas. Milnes Killed 10 Fine

" 21 At Fergus With Oats Nomination Day Local

" 22 R. Richardson here filling Beds fine and me {illegible - cut off in scanning}

" 23 Chopping & Drawing wood from Swamp Mist {? cut off in scanning}

" 24 Rather stormy Fanning Oats

" 25 Bright & Cold Took mother to J. Milne's Sr sh {? cut off in scanning}

" 26 To See Jas Johnston Slightly Stormy

" 27 Municipal Nomination R.R & Family her {illegible - cut off}

" 28 Ontario Elections mowats {?} may 31

" 29 School Trustee Election R. Thompson Elected. To Fergus

" 30 another very cold Snap

" 31 misty in morning Snowing all day Charlie to F {Fergus? cut off in scanning}

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Jany 1 Drawing wood from Swamp. Cold

" 3 Municipal Election

" 4 Sow away Killing Pigs 2

" 5 Got Mare Shod at J. Gerries

" 6 at Guelph with Oats and Pork 2L {pound symbol?} skins

" 7 Fine and Clear

" 8 Drawing manure from Tavern

1887 == == 18

Jany 10 at Belwood Paying Taxes Cold Broke Jug

" 11 To Fergus very stormy Stuck on Concession

" 12 Made Road through Fields Con Blocked

" 13 Quieter

" 14 Stormy again Roads Baaly {badly} Blocked

" 17 very Drifty there has only been about 4 fine days since Christmas

" 18 very Cold but Quiet 6 Below Breaking Roads

" 19 killing heifer for J. Milne Sr Drifting again

" 20 Fair Day at Fergus. A Thaw

" 21 Fine & Clear cutting up Hieffer {Heifer} for J. Milne

" 22 Rain and mist

" 23 " " " Snow going fast

" 24 at Fergus with Chop. Frost. Roads very Bad

" 26 To Day and yesterday very fine Chopping

" 27 Drawing Manure & wood from Swamp

" 28 Killing Pigs for Thompsons. Rain again

" 29 Cleared up again Fine

" 31 Today & yesterday afternoon Stormy

Feby 1 The month opened with a very fine day

" 3 2 fine days Getting wood

" 4 Mackies Sale McMullen speaking in Fergus

" 5 a little Stormy

" 7 Blacks Sale. Sleet & Hail from the East

" 8 Jas. Milnes Sale was to have been held to day But Rain Stopped {Stopped} it a Terrible Pour all day

" 9 a Fine day at Fergus

" 11 Great Storm and drifting

" 12 J. Milnes Sale Cold

" 14 To Fergus in morning

" 15 Nomination for House of Commons Orton & Semple Fine day at Fergus

1887 == == 19

Feby 17 at Fergus Fair day very dull Fine {illegible - cut off}

" 18 Hail in morning Rain in afternoon

" 19 very Stormy all day

" 21 very fine

" 22 " " Election day Semple Elected 50

" 24 Some rain last night stormiest Day of W {winter - cut off}

" 25 Fine at Fergus with Grist and Chop

" 27 Great storm the very worst this Winter so far

" 28 To Fergus for Grist and chop

March 1 Drawing manure from Tavern

" 2 Got wood from Kelsey

" 3 Chopping in Swamp fine

- " 4 at Guelph to See Sleeman Fin {fine? - cut off}
- " 5 To Fergus Stormy first Lamb
- " 7 yesterday & to Day Thaw some Rain
- " 8 very fine Sun strong
- " 9 Killing Pigs at Jas Milnes Sr Rain afterno {afternoon - cut off} Sarah Moir & Gerries Girls here Dance at J. {illegible - cut off in scan}
- " 10 Fine. at R. Richardsons Frosty night
- " 12 2 fine Days Drawing wood from Swamp & {illegible - cut off in scan}
- " 14 very Cold & windy
- " 15 movig {moving} J. Milne Sr to Fergus Cold
- " 16 helping Kelsey to move
- " 17 To Fergus Fair Day Cattle scarce Cold & wi {windy? illegible - and cut off in scan}
- " 18 Still Cold and frosty
- " 19 To Fergus Shipping Oats to Brownlee
- " 21 Cold and Clear
- " 22 Drawing logs from River & wood for Kelsey
- " 23 Helping Kelsey & Drawing manure
- " 24 Cloudy Sawing. Rain at night & Snow {illegible - cut off}
- " 25 Snowing & Blowing
- " 26 To Nichol at Moirs Cold But Clear

1887 == == 20

March 28 To Day & yesterday very stormy

- " 29 One of the stormiest Days this Winter Easter Fair
- " 31 The month has went out fine To Fergus Chop Mrs Gerrie here

April 1 very fine Warm Day

- " 2 Soft and Sunny Saw a Crane
- " 4 A lot of Snow went to Day
- " 5 Frosty and drifting at Fergus with Sheep skins Social at Smiths

" 7 yesterday and to Day a lot of Snow went Seeing Allison

" 8 Good Friday Warm A {Agnes} To Fergus to Church

" 9 To John Richardsons Changing Oats fine. Wheels going

" 11 River Breaking Jam at 4th Line Snow gone But at Fences

" 12 Big Jam got away Colder with Rain freezing Clark & Chapman Plowing

" 14 East winds and Raw

" 15 Warm in morning thunder Storm evening Dark

" 16 To Fergus with Chop & grist. to Belwood Blacksmith very Frosty night

" 18 Frosty all day with cold East wind

" 19 Hard Frost in morning. Started Plowing after a Good Winter with rather more rain than usual after each fall of Snow Which made an sey {easy} winter. never very Cold

" 21 Fergus Fair Sold 5 Cattle Prices Fair 200.50 some Rain

" 22 More Rain Cold

" 23 " " " very Cold at night

" 25 Cold With flurries of Snow

" 26 Sowing Peas frosty in the morning Eliza Came

" 27 Plowing for wheat. Sow Pigned

" 28 " " Cold Rain all afternoon To Fergus

" 30 Finished Plowing for Wheat Warm Saw first swallows

May 2 Sowing Wheat rain yesterday. Thunder to Day & Rain

" 3 Finished Sowing Wheat & Some oats

" 4 Finished Plowing Sod Weather Fine

" 5 Sowed Peas and oats on sod " "

" 6 Finished Harrowing sod Warm & Fine

1887 == == 21

May 9 Finished Plowing for Grain Crop Fine

" 12 all sowed all May has Been Dry & warm

" 13 Picking Potatoes Wild Plums in Bloom

" 14 To Guelph with 25 Bgs Potatoes @ {1.00?} Got Paid G.S. Board

" 16 helping D.M. take his cattle to Fergus To Elora

" 17 A {Agnes?} to Fergus. Getting very dry Trees well in Leaf

" 18 Took Lib to School {daughter Elizabeth} would not stay

" 19 Harrowing Turnip land Sowing some Grass

" 20 Gang Plowing Turnip land

" 21 Harrowing " " To Belwood forcing Plo {plow - cut off}

" 22 very hot 90 in Shade 86 yesterday

" 23 Rain with Hail the first this month {wash...cut off}

" 24 Showers Plowing turnip land

" 25 Finished Plowing Turnip land

" 26 to Belwood mare shod heavy Rain & Hail

" 27 Showery all Day

" 28 Harrowing & Cutting Potatoes

" 30 Planted Potatoes Clipped Sheep

" 31 Rain again

June 1 " " at Nichol to See A. Moir

" 2 " " Whitewashing Kitchen

" 4 Fine Sowing Turnips Mangels Corn Beans Fine

" 6 Rainy

" 7 at Fergus with Chop & grist Rain

" 8 Choreing Planted Cabbage Sowed Carrotts

" 9th at W. Gerries Dry & warm

" 10 Sowing Turnips

" 11 Turnips all sowed A. {Agnes} to Fergus in evening Sow S {illegible - cut off page}

" 13 Very hot Plowing at E. Kelseys

" 14 Drawing manure at D. Milnes

" 16 Drawing wood

" 17 Took Waggon to Belwood to get fixed

" 18 Drawing Lumber to J. Milnes from Luthers {cut off}

1887 == === 22 =

June 21 more Rain {Choreing?}

" 22 " " Big Geordies Raising A {Agnes} Sick

" 23 " " Ran {rain} almost Every day for 10 days

" 24 Rain at Fergus to Se {see} Doctor

" 25 Helping Kelsey to Put up Hay fork Track

" 27 Sewart {Sewart?} Drawing Gravel Road work Peas in Bloom

" 29 Went to See R Richardson Warm

July 1 To A.L. Moir Sr Funreal {Funeral} very warm

" 2 Scuffling Potatoes thinning Mangolds very Heavy Rain & Thunder A {Agnes} to Fergus

" 5 at J. Milnes Putting on Sleepers Rain

" 6 helping R Thompson to Put up Scaffold Started to thin Turnips

" 7 J. Milnes Raising

" 8 at Turnips hot 95 in shade

" 9 Moulding up Potatoes Rain & Thunder

" 11 at Turnips Cooler

" 13 Finished thinning Turnips Started hay Orchard

" 14 Went To Belwood For Waggon

" 15 Eliza J. Taken to the House of Industry Said to Be the Hottest in 30 years

" 16 very hot. Mowing with Scythe. Rain

" 17 Still Hot with Thunder & Rain

" 18 Mowing with Scythe-thinning Turnips at D. M R. Richardson here

" 19 Mowing with Machine hot

" 20 Raking & coling Still Hot Rain thro night

" 21 Drawing in Hay. Rain. To Fergus

- " 22 Rain Cutting thistles on Road
- " 23 Drawing in & Mowing Cooler
- " 25 Finished cutting Hay Still Hot
- " 27 Hay all in this 2 days 93 in the shade A {Agnes} To See Eliza
- " 28 Scuffling
- " 29 Putting Paris Green on Potatoes. first new Potatoes Hot

1887 == === 23 =

July 30 To Belwood at Townsends Raising Slight rain

August 1 Finished Scuffling Turnips Second time Hot

- " 2 Cutting Thistles
- " 3 Finished Turnips 2nd time 94 & 96 in the sh {shade - cut off} for 3 or 4 Days
- " 4 Pulling Peas. A {Agnes} to Jas Clarks
- " 5 Rain To the North & South little here
- " 6 Finished Pulling Peas Should have been done a week ag {ago - cut off} (Cooler Fros {Frost - cut off})
- " 8 Cutting Wheat. Still warm 95 yet
- " 9 Finished Wheat. Started Oats
- " 10 at Smiths Threshing
- " 11 Rain at Belwood to See Dr Mennie abt {about? cut off}
- " 12 Drawing Peas & Burying Horse at River
- " 13 Peas all in Drawing wheat
- " 15 Wheat all in D.M.Grey Horse to Pasture
- " 17 Slight Rain
- " 18 Rain with thunder
- " 20 Finished Cutting
- " 22 Damp all day not fit to Draw in
- " 23 A. {Agnes} To Fergus. Went to Belwood for Pumphead f {illegible - cut off} Jas McDonald to replace one that lasted since Novr 65 = 22 {cut off}
- " 24 D. Milne threshing Broke Drawing in afternoon

" 25 finished drawing in all but Rakings one day {illegible} Earlier than we started to Cut last year Plenty of Straw But Oats rather light in gro {cut off}

" 29 Started Plowing very dry. Water very scarce

" 30 Helping Kelsey To Finish Harvest

" 31 at Fergus Sent for Telescope A. {Agnes} To See Eliza J

Sepr 2 D Milne Threshing

" 3 Kelsie " finished Plowing for fall wheat

" 5 Thompson Threshing

" 6 Stewart " Started Sowing fall wheat nice Rain

1887 == === 24 =

September 7 finished sowing fall wheat. Democrat East of Station 50 qts. Per acre Clawson west of S 56
Per acre. A Gale of wind

" 8 A. {Agnes} Wet {Went} To Toronto

" 9 Drawing Bricks for D. Small Rain CR {CRA? cut off}

" 12 Drawing Roots & Scraping

" 13 A fine rain last night Drawing Gravel

" 14 finished road work " "

" 15 Drawing Roots

" 16 at Guelph with old oats 35 cts

" 19 at Fergus with mother to Dr

" 20 Drawing out Dung (21) Slight rain

" 22 at Fergus to Plowing match meeting

" 23 very Cold. Flakes of Snow flying

" 24 Dung all out at home

" 25 at Nichol to See J. Moir. Northern Light

" 26 Drawed Dung for Tavern. W.J. Thompson Over

" 27 J. Milne Threshing

" 28 at Fergus with mother to Dr. Spreading Dung

" 29 Started to Plow in Dung. A Richardson Sr here

Octr 1 Rain. Broke Share up to Allison's with J. R

" 3 Got 9 young Pigs A {Agnes} to Fergus Liz Came Rain

" 4 at Belwood mare shod got Pole Buggy Rain

" 5 Rain & Cold

" 6 Rain Threshing oats not a good yeild {yield}

" 7 Rain. A {Agnes} To Fergus Fast day

" 8 Finished Spreading Dung To Fergus Evening P. M. {Plowing Match} Meeting

" 10 Dung all Plowed in. Cool

" 11 To Belwood Show. Cold showers of snow

" 12 Tibbitt threshing. Ground White. Mrs Moir Sr here

" 13 " " Started Potatoes. To Fergus evening

" 14 at Fergus for P. Match {Plowing Match} Bills " " "

1887 == === 25 =

Octr 15 To Belwood with J. Richardson to Settle Meals for {cut off}

" 18 Finished Potatoes very fine day Crop fair

" 19 Took up Marigolds fair crop

" 20 at Belwood measuring Land for Match

" 21 Plowing Match. very Stormy

" 22 2 inches of Snow. at Fergus With Grist & Chop mix {Brockies? cut off page}

" 23 heavy rain all afternoon High wind at nig {night - cut off}

" 24 Put up stone. Started topping turnips

" 26 Heavy Frost. Harrowing turnips River froze over

" 28 Milder all Harrowed up

" 29 Turnips all in about 1/2 a crop. Very Cold

" 31 Plowing very Pleasant but Hard Frost in mo {morning? cut off}

Novr 1 " Fergus evening \$100.00 3 mos W.G

" 2 at R Richardsons & Guelph for Telescope Fine
 " 3 Drawing Wood and Furing {Furring} Turnip land
 " 4 Plowing Killed a sheep
 " 5 Thompsons Threshing Forenoon Stewart after
 " 7 at Belwood with wood to McKea warm
 " 9 at Fergus with Chop. A {Agnes} to See Eliza J
 " 10 at Wm Douglas Paying not Snowing
 " 12 Raw yesterday very Cold Still Plowing
 " 14 A. {Agnes} & Liz to Belwood J. G. rain afternoon
 " 15 laying foundation of fence
 " 16 at R. Robinsons Sale
 " 17 at Fergus Fair day sold Pigs
 " 19 at Belwood load of wood to Mc Snow Plow stoptd
 " 21 almost Sleighing drawing wood fires Still in se {illegible - cut off}
 " 24 Working in swamp Misty days and little fros {frost}
 " 26 A good Solid Rain all afternoon
 " 27 At Nichol to A. Moirs rain & Snow
 " 28 moving D Milnes stable Winter Sleights
 " 29 " "

1887 == === 26 =

Novr 30 Moving D Milnes Stable Cold

Decr 1 " " " very Cold

" 2 Killing Pigs at Thompsons Snowing Saw fire in Swamp

" 3 Sleighing to Fergus with Chop & to Elora

" 4 Rain. Snow all gone

" 6 Took Ewes away. very fine Weather

" 7&8 Chopping in Swamp " " "

" 9 Killing Pigs at A Whites " " "
" 10&11 Rain. 11th Killed Steer for D Milne
" 13 Christmas Fair. Sold 2 Cattle @ 71.00 Fair Prices
" 14 at Fergus Killed 2 Pigs for Tom Smith
" 15 Slight fall of Snow
" 17 Chopping in swamp had Jas Whites Mild
" 19&20 Kelsey Threshing fine
" 21 at Mrs Munro's Sale Snow & Sleighing
" 22 Stewart Threshing Stormy
" 23 Thompson Threshing
" 24 Drawing wood from Swamp
" 26 to Belwood with Wood for Mc Nomination
" 27 Smith threshing Sow away
" 28 The first Real Snow storm
" 29 very Stormy roads blocked
" 30 Fair at Fergus with Chop
" 31 Stormy " " for chop

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Jany 1 thaw with a lot of rain
" 2 very Cold and Stormy
" 4 at Kelseys Killing Pigs heavy fall of Snow
" 5 very fine and mild
" 6 Snowing But Mild A {Agnes} to Church
" 7&8 Fine (9) Killed 2 Pigs
" 10 Heavy Drifting Blocking roads again

1888 == == 27

Jany 11 Fine again But Cold

" 12 very fine Drawing wood from Swamp

" 13 Thaw Sow away = May 3rd

" 14 fine and Mild

" 15 very stormy & Cold

" 16 Threshing at D. Milnes Calm & Cold

" 17 Finished " " " Stormy

" 18 Clear and Frosty. To Fergus with Cutter

" 21 very Cold but Calm A. Moir here trading Oats

" 25 These last 4 days Cold & Calm. {Fanning up?}

" 26 Threshing Peas very Cold

" 27 very Stormy to Fergus with Chop & grist

" 28 heavy drifts all roads Blocked no Train w {cut off}

" 30 Milder went to Fergus for chop to Steer to Fergs

" 31 took steer to Elora Fair Sold 40.00 fine

Feby 2 quite mild drawing wood from swamp

" 4 Drawing wood fine Day

" 6 Cold & bright at Belwood wood to Mc. A {Agnes} & Liz at Thomp {cut off}

" 7 Stormy at Fergus with hay. Sold {illegible} Egg @ 8.00

" 9 very Cold Stormy 24°. Below zero Skating race

" 11 To Fergus Load of moving D. Mills

" 13 " " " " "

" 14 quite Soft & mild

" 15 Finised {Finished sp} moving D Mills. very cold about 20 Be {Below? Cut off}

" 17 Mild. Chapmans Sale

" 19.20 Thaw (20) Smith Threshing

" 21 Mild " Finised {Finished sp}

" 22 at Fergus Drawing slabs for John Gerrie fine

" 23 Fair day at Fergus fine day

" 25 Thaw again & rain

" 27 very cold and Stormy

" 28 Hammill's Sale Stormy Lizzie went home

1888 == == 28

March 1 Stormy not Cold Storm of Hail from East

" 2 Drawing wood fine

" 3 Stormy again

" 5 at Fergus getting Ice Tongs Jas Clark here

" 6&7 Cutting Ice Cold

" 8 Drawing & Packing Ice Cold

" 9 To Fergus with Chop Sun very hot

" 10 Soft all day

" 11&12 Great Snow Storm & (12) very Cold

" 13 The Worst drift of the Winter Trains stuck

" 15 Helping Milne's to Cut Ice Warmer

" 16 Drawing wood. Soft no Train yet

" 17 Helping Milnes to cut Ice. Warm. first Train since 12th

" 19 Regular thaw. up to see J. Johnston

" 20 Rainy all day Fair Easter day Sold 2 steers \$64.00. Robins

" 21 very drifty again. not Cold

" 22 Cold and Rough. to the East & South in N. York

“ “ there was a Bad Blockade the worst of the Winter

" 24 Cleared up and fine

" 26 Snow in morn. Rain all afternoon at Fergus with D. M

" 27 rain all day

" 28 rain in morn. Smith here for oats

" 29 Fine Killing Pigs at Stewarts

" 30 heavy Snow with hay to W. Gerrie Good Friday

" 31 Fine. at Fergus with Buggy & Grist {D. Mills above line}

April 2 Fine Sawing Ties

" 3 " at Fergus with Chop & For grist Killed a Pig for J S Saw a crane

" 4 A {Agnes} to Fergus & seeing Eliza. L. Came up Sunny

" 5 The First real thaw thunder & rain Moving straw Digging the water off Cocession {Concession sp}

" 6 Sunny & windy. River broke up Sleighing about Gone. Drawing last wood from Swamp wheels to Fergus

1888 == == 29

April 7 Cold went to Fergus Sleighing Done

" 10 Cold Rainy day

" 11 Warmer a Lot of Snow went

" 12 Raw A. L. to Fergus

" 13 a heavy Frost last night Showers of Sn {Snow - cut off}

" 16 still the same raw cold days Frosty m {mornings? cut off}

" 18 Killed 2 Pigs for Kelsey Tibbit & Stew {Stewart? cut off} Started Plowing J. Milne married Cold

" 20 heavy Frost & Cold

" 21 at Fergus first time of wheels. Cold

" 23 at Belwood with Plow Started Plowing. Frost not out the Past winter had been v {very? cut off}
Steady and moderately cold with scarcely a thaw Jany 1st lots of sleighing since the 6th apl {April - cut off}
then wind has Been steady from near north as heavy Frosts, a good deal of Snow at Fences and roads (D.M. put up wire Fence

" 24 a hard Frost last night no Plowing till noon

" 26 Warm to Day. the first Swallows

" 27 no frost this morning. hot funeral of Jas. Richar {Richards? cut off}

" 28 81° in the Shade gang Plowing at Fergus a nigh for.. {cut off}

" 30 Cold Rain in afternoon. Gang Plowing. Planted. Drill

May 1 Ground white with Snow first Calf Lady and Lamb

- " 2 hard frost in morn. Sowing wheat
- " 3 Sowing Grass seed. Sowing Peas. Cold.
- " 4 drawing manure from Tavern. quite a rain a {and - cut off} Thund {Thunder - cut off}
- " 5 Cold Pruning trees
- " 6 " Got young Pigs
- " 7 Sowing Oats and Finished Sowing Peas
- " 8 Rainy afternoon
- " 9 at Fergus with Hay for W. Gerrie Misty & warm
- " 10 Finished Plowing up Clover. Sowing oats
- " 11 Harrowing warmer. River men Past with to {illegible and cut off} Drive

1888 == === 30 =

May 12 manuring Rhubarb all But the G.S.E Bunchers

- " 13 J Johnston here another Calf cherry Cold
 - " 14 Last calf Daisy: Plowing Swamp Showers of Snow last Lamb
 - " 15 Moving W Gerrie Cold Rain in afternoon
 - " 16 Cold with Snow flying Mare Served
 - " 17 Finished Plowing in Swamp lots of frost
 - " 18 wet afternoon Cold
 - " 19 Finished Seeding. Cold only 5 warm days since we started
 - " 21 Harrowing. Fall wheat & Turnips land and Rolling
 - " 22 Fine and warm First mosquitoes
 - " 23 at Guelph with Potatoes 1.00 Warm
 - " 26 Warm fine Rain. Trees in leaf & Wild Plums in Bloom 13 days later than last year
 - " 30 Plowing Turnip land Cold
 - " 31 Showery. Cool. Growth very Backward young cattle out all night cows To Field for first
- June 1 Finished Plowing Turnip land. Showery
- " 2 Thunder. Heavy Hail & Rain Cutting Potatoes. Cold

" 4 Planting Potatoes. Warmer

" 5 Fine Planted Beans corn & carrots {carrots} washed Sheep

" 6 at Belwood got mare Shod. Cold

" 7 at Fergus with chop & Grist

" 8 Choring Planted Tomatoes

" 9 Warm. Clipped Sheep. Sowing Turnips Planted Cabbage Sowed Kol {?} Rabbi

" 11 At Guelph to See about D Mills money got none

" 13 Drilling & sowing Turnips Rain

" 14 Warm fine Rain

" 15 at Sawmill with Cedar for J. Johnston

" 16 Finished Sowing turnips Harrowing Potatoes

" 17 at J. Gerries

" 18 Staking fence frost still in Muck

" 20 Whitewashing very hot

" 21 at Fair with Cow no sale Hot

" 24 Some rain J Moir here

" 25 Started road work Slight Shower

1888 == === 31 =

June 27 Finished Road work Cool

" 28 Cold rain all day

" 30 at a logging bee at Jas Richardsons

July 2 Drawing logs at River

" 3 At Fergus with 2 loads of Hay Peas in B {Bloom - page cut off}

" 4 Some rain very hot

" 5 at Fergus with the last of Hay

" 6 at Church in Forenoon. H Mitchells Raising in after {afternoon - page cut off}

" 7 Drawing wood from River. started thinning Turni {Turnips - page cut off}

" 9 Hoeing Potatoes & Turnips W Ransoms raising P.M.

" 10 Finished scuffling Turnips 1st time Plowing Sod

" 11 very Dry needing rain Bad Finished " "

" 12 Harrowing and Sowing Rake

" 13 at Belwood with Rake wheels Still Dry & ho {hot - page cut off}

" 16 started haying Great droth

" 17 at Belwood for rake wheels & Took Reaper up Mowing on Tea {?} of {page cut off}

" 18 2 showers of rain. Moulding up Potatoes

" 19 Mowed all the Clover about 2 1/2 acres. New Potatoo {Potatoes - page cut off}

" 20 raking and coling

" 21 Drawed in all the Hay that is cut

" 22 Grand rain first good Soaking this sea {season - page cut off} Cu {Cutting? - page cut off}

" 23 A fine Showery afternoon Cutting This {...cut off}

" 25 Mowing Dry and Cool. Green Peas

" 26 Some Rain Turnips all thinned.

" 27 Hay all Cut.

" 28 Drawing Hay. Took James J. home

" 30 Hay all in. very hot.

" 31 Working in swamp Sone {Some} rain

August 1 Scuffling & hoeing Turnips 2nd time Mrs Gerr {Gerrie - page cut off} h {here - page cut off}

" 2 Cut first fall Wheat hot Drawing wood

" 3 at Jas Raes. Raising. Rain and great Thunder s {storm? page cut off}

" 4 at Fergus

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August 6 at Belwood getting Reaper Bushed

" 7 Finished cleaning Turnips. Reaping Fall wheat

" 8 Rain at Fergus

" 10 Cool White Frost (11) D Milne Threshing

" 12 Rain at Nichol to J. Moirs

" 13 Fall Wheat Cut. Started Pulling Peas

" 15 Drawing fall Wheat rain at night

" 16 Down with hay to W Gerrie heavy rain night

" 17 heavy rain last night. first Cabbage

" 18 Fine day. first Corn

" 20 Fall wheat all in New Turnips

" 21 Peas all Pulled Drawing in Peas very hot

" 22 Cutting Spring wheat. very cool

" 24 Wheat all cut. Drawing in Peas

" 25 Drawing Wheat. Peas all in to Fergus Flour salt

" 27 Wheat all in

" 28 Cutting oats. at D Milnes threshing. Frost

" 29 J. Smiths threshing. Dry Needing Rain

" 30 Pulling Pears Cutting Oats

" 31 Thunder & Rain at Fergus with Pears

September 4 Drawing in oats Cool & Dry (2) A. Cunings funeral

" 5 Finished Cutting. Been Frost last 5 Mornings

" 7 Crop all in. fair Crop. But 2 acres oats Froze

" 8 Warmer. Some rain last night: Needed

" 10 Drawing in at D Milnes

" 11 " " " Stewarts

" 12 To Belwood for Boots. Cold.

" 13 Gang Plowing. Great Drouth {Drought}

" 14 Drawing Wood from Swamp heavy Frost

" 16 Fine rain Last Night and this forenoon

" 17 at Fergus

" 18 at Jas Milnes Threshing Broke

== 1888 == {33}

Sepr 19 Finished Threshing a J. Milnes

" 20 Threshing at Thompsons

" 21 " " Stewarts

" 22 " " home fine Day fair Crop

" 23 at Fergus to Wm. {William} Spires Funreal {Funeral}

" 24 Threshing at Kelseys. Broke down

" 27 Cleaning Grain Cold dry wind

" 28 Kelsie Threshing Cold

" 29 " Finished. Showers of Snow

" 30 Cold & Snow and rain.

Octr 1 Tibbitt Threshing. rain

" 2 " Finished very Cold

" 3 at Fergus with grist and chop. heavy frost last n {night - page cut off}

" 4 Started drawing Manure

" 5 Fine. Stewart finished harvest. Put in heifer

" 6 Taking up Potatoes. Warm

" 9 at Fergus with wheat. Cold

" 11 Still at Potatoes Belwood show very Fine

" 12 Drizziling {Drizzling} rainy day Mary Born

" 13 at Fergus with Mrs Gerrie Cold & wet

" 15 at Potatoes

" 16 at Belwood with W. Kitchen. Smith Threshin {Threshing - page cut off}

" 17 Showers. Kelsie's Sale

" 18 Finished Potatoes. Warm

" 19 at Dung. Rainy
 " 21 very hard frost (22) fine
 " 23 Finished Drawing dung rainy Day
 " 24 Started Turnips
 " 25 Very fine Took in cabbage
 " 26 Rain in the afternoon
 " 27 Last night and to Day Heaviest rain for 2 {illegible} to Ferg {Fergus - page cut off} For F {page cut off}
 " 29 at Turnips Drizziling {Drizzling} rain all Day

1888 == === 32 =

Octr 30 Frosty Morning fine afternoon

" 31 very fine Finished Turnips good crop. 48 Loads Stewart helping

November 1 To Fergus with Lamb to Mills. Warm Bot {Bought} Whip

" 2 Thompsons Threshing. Rain

" 3 Spreading Manure. Started Plowing in

" 5 " " Kelsey here Plowing Mrs Gerrie here

" 6 " " " " " very fine Thunder

" 8 Rain all day manure Plowed in

" 9 last the the heaviest rain since spring

" 10 Misty & Rain Plowing on flat

" 14 Plowing. Grand weather for Season

" 15 Drawing wood in afternoon very warm

" 16 Stewart Threshing. Cold & Frosty

" 17 " Finished. Plows stopt By Frost

" 18 Stormy & quite a fall of Snow

" 19 Killing Pigs at D. Milnes Soft

" 20 at Fergus with chop Sunny Mrs Richardson here

" 21 Minnie Smith Died at Faskins for George Cold

" 23 at M. Smiths Funeral. Went to Salem with Stewart

" 24 Ewes away

" 26 Snowy Forenoon

" 27 With Load of Turnips to W. G. Soft Some rain

" 30 Cold with Little Snow

December 1 Smiths threshing finished

" 3 at Fergus with Chop & grist Snowy Armstrongs Sale

" 4 Cutting and Drawing wood

" 5 Killing a Pig helping Milnes to Thresh

" 6 D. Milne threshing got mare shod J. Gerrie went with it

" 7 Finished " Still Fine and Fair

" 8 Milder but Fair and Pleasant

" 10 Cutting & Drawing wood & Burning Brush Beautiful Weather and Mild

" 11 To Christmas Fair at Fergus Sold Heifer 25 Dull

" 12 & 13th very cold Blustering {Blustering}

" 15 Milder {Mad?} Hand Sleigh repaired verandah

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December 16 Raining all Day

" 17 Misty & warm

" 18 Froze up again

" 19 Examination at School no 2 very Cold

" 21 Winter begun Snowing and drifting Cold

" 22 Down to Zero this morn Clear Bright Day

" 23 Fine James J. here

" 24 Very Fine to Fergus

" 25 Rain & Misty all day

" 26 " " " " Sow away

" 27 Froze up again

" 29 very fine Chopping in Swamp

" 31 Some Snow. Mild year end without Sleighing But been a fine Season only 3 rainy days since {illegible}
{on right side of page sideways} (31) Municipal Nomination Council... {illegible - page cut off}

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Jany 1 the year opened fine moderate day

" 2 to Fergus. Mother to Poor house to Eliza J.

" 5 These 3 days have been wonderful for the Season

" 6 Roads Icy. Mary Baptized

" 7 Sleighing at last about 4 inces {inches} of Snow at the Sawmil {Sawmill - page cut off}

" 9 Raining heavy. at sawmill

" 10 a great storm Roads Blocked. high wind Blowi {Blowing - page cut off} down Suspension Bridge a {at} the falls. But weather till now was the finest for years

" 11 Broke the Roads out through the Fields to F {Fergus - page cut off}

" 12 & 13 Cleas {Clear} & Sunny

" 14 very Fine & Clear Killing Pigs at Thomps {Thompson - page cut off}

" 15 Clear But cold. Down to zero

" 16 Heavy rain all afternoon & night Sleigh {Sleighing - page cut off} Rivir {River} Broke up G {? page cut off}

" 18 Cold & Icy. killed heifer for Thompsons.

" 19 " " " Went to Fergus.

" 21 Snow & Sleighing again

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Jany 22 & 23 Fine. Clear & Sunny

" 24 To Fergus with Chop. For Horses. A {Agnes} down

" 26 Jas Clark here. the last 4 days have been Extra Fine Even for this winter

" 27 Fall of Snow

" 28 " " " Drift killed 2 Pigs

" 29 Cold Zero again. Clear

" 30 at Guelph with Pork {6L - above} & Oats {32 - above}. Snowy

Feb 1 Some Stormy and drift

" 4 a little Snow every day slight Drift sick this week.

" 5 John Louttit's Sale Cold & Drifting

" 6 10 below zero this morning

" 8 To Fergus with Chop. Drifting

" 9 " " for " Drawing Slabs to J. G

" 11-12 Snowy & drifting again had roads

" 13 Drawing wood from Swamp Clear & col {Cold} 5 below zero

" 14 to Fergus drawing Slabs for J. G. lots of Pitch holes

" 15 Some Milder Cleaning up wheat

" 17 A thaw today & yesterday

" 19 Great fall of snow to day & yesterday 14 in heavy drifts

" 20 at A Ewings Sale Cold & Drifting

" 21 Fine at Fergus fair. Mrs & Mr Williams & Jessie came

" 23 yesterday and today terrible Drifts Conncession {Concession} full

" 24 Bitter Cold last night 30 Below zero Calm to Day

" 25 To Fergus w. {with} Lizie & Joe Milder

" 26 Snowing from the East Drawing Straw for Halfway

" 27 Soft and very Pleasant

March 4 moving Kelsie the Past. 5 days Etremely {Extremely} fine & Sunny

" 6 Still fine at Fergus with turnips for Kelsie

" 7 Cold & raw

" 9 this 2 days very drifty in some cased the worst of the Winter but not Cold

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March 11 Soft & Fine at Fergus with Chop (Horses)

" 12 " " " " " " " (Cattle) Drawing

" 13 Colder at Fergus with Grist. Seeing Eliza J. at {? page cut off}

" 14 Cold East wind. took J. J. home first Lambs Pa {? page cut off}

" 15 Still fine Snow going fast

" 16 at Belwood with Lumber to Mc

" 18 at Belwood & J. Gerries. Sleighing near gone Rise at Bellwood warm used last of cabbage

" 19 a lot of snow went to Day D Milnes Stone t {? page cut off}

" 22 Still fine at Funeral of C. Culls Child Wheels {cut off}

" 23 Last Sleighing. hot. sun. No rain or snow for 2 week

" 25 James J. Came to saw wood. Fine

" 26 Sawing wood & killing Pigs at Thompsons

" 28 Heay {Heavy} frost last night and flurries of Snow

" 29 Finished Sawing ties. Cold all day

" 30 Cold to Fergus with wheels first time this y {year? page cut off}

" 31 Snowing all day about 3 inches fell

April 1 Bright and Cold. Sleighs running

" 3 A Thunder Storm this morning then a snowstorm 3 {page cut off}

" 4 Sleighing again this morning Voting on the repeal of Scott act. Repealed by a majority of 1860 carried la {? page cut off} by 1340 Majority T. Smiths Funeral

" 5 Snowing nearly all day

" 6 & 7 very warm snow going fine

" 9 Easter fair. Prices low Some Plowing

" 11 to Fergus with Chop. warm Threatning rain

" 12 Clears. helping Brooks to cut hay

" 13 Plowing general. Hard Frost last night cold c {? page cut off}

" 15 Started Plowing after a mild & a dry winter 2 Mon {? page cut off} Sleigh {page cut off}

" 17 Sowing oats 15 Bush Swamp & field below track {illegible} J Dryd {? page cut off}

" 19 Sowing Peas. very warm

" 20 Gang Plowing Turnip land. warm & dry. young {page cut off}

1889 == === 36 =

April 21 A Great Day of Drouth & high wind that Drifted the Sand in Places 3 ft deep

" 22 Finished Plowing Turnip land for wheat Shower of Snow & Frost

" 23 to Guelph for Statues & Grass Seed

" 24 to Belwood. Rain & Thunder in afternoon Swallows

" 25 Sowing Wheat Dark & Cool

" 26 Sowing Grass seed

" 27 Finished wheelbarrow. Rainy all day

" 29 Cold with Driving Showers of Snow

May 1 " Sowing oats Started to Plow Sod. Calf {calf is circled}

" 2 Sowing Grass seed & Harrowing

" 4 Warmer & Clear the first time for 10 Days

" 5 Sowing Grass Seed in missed Places Went to Fergus

" 6 Sowing Permanent grass Seed quite warm

" 8 & 9 very hot. 88 in the shade Plowing Sod

" 10 Thunder & Some Rain. Wild Plums in Blossom & Trees in Leaf. J. Chapman here Plowing Hot

" 11 Cooler finished Plowing & Sowing (oats & Peas)

" 13 Warmer. Harrowing

" 14 at Fergus with Cattle {Cattle} 2280 @ 4cts - 4.00. Hot

" 15 Thundr {Thunder} & good rain

" 16 Harrowing Turnip land Cooler

" 18 Digging in Garden. Kelsey here for turnips. Hot

" 19 young Cattle out all night. Foal. 1 month & 3 days over

" 20.21 & 22 Coold {Cold} windy days

" 23 Foal died. To fergus with Chop

" 24 Sheep lost. Windy

" 25 A {at} Belwood for churn to Rodgers

" 27 Whitewashing. Rain all afternoon Cool

" 28 Snowing & very Cold all day Heavy Frost

" 29 Started to Plow Turnip land. Mrs Moir & Sarah here Mare served Rainy afternoon

" 30 Rain all last night & to day. Cold & high wind

1889 == === 37 =

May 31 Warmer. Rain all Last night River higher than it has been {since? smudged} spring. damp all day

June 1 Cool yet & Damp

" 3 warmer. Plowing. rain a {at} night. C.N.R. filling Tres {? page cut off}

" 5 Cool and Some rain

" 6 First Dry day since the 27th May finished Plowing T {? page cut off}

" 7 Rain as usual

" 8 To Belwood got mare shod. Rain

" 9 Cutting Potatoes. Rain (9) Rain

" 10 Planted Potatoes 40 {illegible} 13 {stars?} 16 {8?} {C... illegible}

" 12 at Fergus with grist & chop Fine

" 13 Some rain warm

" 14 Sowing Turnips washing Sheep horses {o... page cut off} all {page cut off}

" 15 hot. Sowed Beans & corn

" 16 at W. Gerries. Thunder & heavy Rain

" 17 very hot. at Fergus with hay

" 18 Cooler. Clipped Sheed {Sheep} Planted Cabbag {Cabbage}

" 19 Rain again. Crops badly drowned out

" 20 at Fergus with Hay warm

" 21 very Heavy Rain. filled big Ditch with Sand {page cut off} Trestle Dun {page cut off}

" 24 Started Road work. Drilling Tirnips {Turnips}

" 25 Funreal {Funeral} of Fred White Drowned on the 23rd

" 26 Finished Sowing Turnips. Hot

" 27 Drawing wood from Swamp. Close & {?..cut off}

" 29 helping D. Milne with Turnips very hot

July 1 " " " " " "

" 2 Broadfoots raising. very hot 90 Thunder & heavy {rain? page cut off}

" 3 at Fergus Slight Rain

" 4 at Culls hot

" 5 at Jas Kennedy's & Fergus

" 7 hot J. & W. Gerrie here

" 8 Scuffling Turnips

1889 == === 38 =

July 10 This Last 4 Days 93 & 94 in the Shade to Night a Thunder storm & high Wind Laid grain

" 11 at D. Milnes Raising of {B...?} to Barn very hot

" 12 Mowing warm

" 13 Scuffling. Potatoes thinning Turnips Coling Hay (13) Thunder & Rain

" 14 Finished Scuffling Turnips first time

" 17 Mowing. Cooler

" 18 Finished mowing first field

" 19 Coling hay to Belwood for money for moving sand from Ditch

" 20 " Hay to fergus Paid monteith for Ditch. Cool

" 22 First field of hay in

" 23 Molding up Potatoes. Cool

" 24 Putting on Paris Ggeen on Potatoes. A. {Agnes} to See E.G. at PH

" 25 Mowing (26) Coling

" 27 Took Load of Hay to W Gerrie hot Bot {bought} Cow from Milnes

" 28 W Gerrie here. Warm. Rain heavy

" 29 at P. Baynes & R. Russels

" 30 Mowing & drawing in

" 31 Finished thinning Turnip

August 1 Finished Mowing

" 2 Hay all in some Rain

" 3 at Fergus for Salt

" 5 Scuffling Turnips

" 6 Slight frost this Morning Corn Hurt

" 7 Sick (7) Jessie came. Needing Rain

" 8 Fixing Gates (9) to Doctor Suffling {Scuffling} & cutting green oats

" 12 Windy Drouthy C. got truss at Fergus

" 13 Rain (14) Rain & thunder. Mr Gerrie Sr here. Cold

" 15 Finished Scuffling turnips. Drawing in green oats

" 16 finished hoeing Turnips 2nd time at Fergus to Dr new Potatoes

" 18 at Nichol to A. Moirs {Alexander?}

" 19 Cutting Wheat & Pulling Peas

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August 21 Stewart Threshing. High wind

" 22-23-24 Cutting wheat. Badly in want of Rain

" 26 Wheat all cut Great Drouth

" 27 started Cutting oats

" 28 Smiths Threshing. A {Agnes} to Fergus {right side of page and sideways - 2 weeks now without a De {Drop? o Rain}

" 30 Finished First Peice {Piece} of Oats

" 31 Wheat all in but one Load. R. Milne hellping {helping}

September 1 still hot & Dry. J. Dix and wife & Jas J h {here - page cut off}

" 3 Team and Charlie at Milnes Drawing

" 4 at Fergus With Edna {his daughter} to Dr light {page cut off} first in {page cut off}

" 5 A {Agnes} to grand valley after honey. Windy heavy {page cut off} for g {page cut off}

" 7 Dry again Jas. Milne threshing

" 10 Geo Allan Binding here finished at Low field Started u {page cut off}

- " 12 Drawing in oats. hot & dry
- " 13 Thompsons. threshing. Windy
- " 14 Finishing drawing in Low field
- " 16 Kelsey & Mrs here. Finished Cutting all b {cut off} heavy Rain Last night
- " 17 Pulled Peas above Track. Rain at night D {?...cut off} Thresh
- " 19 Cold at Fergus with Chop & Grist. Showery
- " 20 Cold & Showery all day with falkes {flakes} of snow
- " 21 Peas all Pulled. Cold
- " 23 Oats all in Drawing Peas
- " 24 Crop all in. Brooks Threshing
- " 25 high wind Some Rain at night
- " 26 Mare Sprained Foot. at Fergus Cool
- " 30 Gang Plowing got a horse from Stewart
- " 27 {arrow used to signify placing this entry with the one above} Milnes Threshing Rainy
- October 1 heavy rain & Thunder. at A. Richardsons S {Sr? page cut off}
- " 2 Cool Breezey {Breezy} day
- " 3 Rain Forenoon. at Fergus in afternoon
- " 4 Fine day working in Swamp
- " 5 heavy Rain nearly all day
- " 6 heavy fall of Snow this Morning

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October 7 away Looking for threshers & at Fergus very cold

- " 8 & 9 Belwood Show
- " 10 Drawing up wood & started Potatoes Fine
- " 11 at Potatoes all Day. warm
- " 12 Threshing By Steam (Cameron) Fine day good turn out
- " 14 Stewart Threshing

" 15 Thompson " W. Edmiston started to Dig Fine

" 17 Potatoes all up good crop Fine Weather Dry

" 18 To Fergus with chop (Saw W G)

" 19 to Belwood with McNea's Potatoes to Fergus For chop

" 21 heavy Frost. Started Turnips

" 22-23 & 24 heavy frost every morning. at Turnips

" 25 Turnips all in Fair Crop. Fine Day no frost Dry

" 26 To Fergus for Load of tile. Cold

" 28 Put up Stove {?} Joe & Liz Came up

" 29 Started to Draw Manure Mrs Thompsons Funeral

" 30 Drawing manure. Cold

" 31 Rainy. Edmiston away the Last 3 days

November 1 Laying tile and covering drain. Well near dry

" 2 Raining went for tile

" 5 Went for tile. Joe & Liz Left

" 6 " " Fine day

" 7 Laying tile. Grand Weather Thanksgiving day

" 8&9 Drawing manure Warm & Misty

" 11 Finished Drawing tile

" 12 Edmiston Finished Laying tile & digging dug 46 1/2 Ch {?} Put in 1410 tile Worked 21 days

" 13 Some Rain. Covering drains Warm

" 14 Finished covering drains. Started to spread manure Drizzly all day

" 15 Frosty Cleaning up Grist & chop

" 16 Plowing Big {?} Frost Stopt {Stopped}. at Fergus with Grist and chop

* took Ewes away To Thompsons Rain in afternoon

" 18 Milder at Fergus for Grist. took Straw to W G got money

" 19 Spreading manure Rainy all afternoon

" 20 Frost Gone. Started to Plow. (Covering manure)

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November 21 Plowing misty & Rainy all day & Warm

" 23 drawing Wood in Forenoon. Wm Clarks Funeral after

" 25 Finished drawing out manure. Fine day

" 26 Threshing at Jas Milnes. Mild day

" 27 Started to thresh " " quit. very stormy Drifts 3 f {ft? page cut off} Rain {illegible - page cut off}

Plowing stopt {stopped} and sleighing started

" 28 Finished Threshing at Jas Milnes good sleig {sleighing - page cut off}

" 29 Colder Piling up wood and drawing s {?...cut off}

" 30 Fine & sunny at Fergus for grist & chop

December 2 at Belwood got mare shod. Soft afternoon

" 3 helping D. Milne to kill Pigs. Frosty & more Snow

" 4 at Fergus with 2 Bags of Potatoes to W. Edm {Edmiston? page cut off}

" 5 Mild with Snow falling

" 7 Drawing up wood. very mild

" 8 Thaw with heavy Rain. Sleighing gone

" 9 Bright & Suny {Sunny}. Thawing

" 10 Fergus Christmas Fair Sold 2 Cattle \$70 {? - written above line in small text} Brisk Prices good Rain & Sleet

" 11 Squally Brooks threshing in afternoon

" 12 Fine " " finished

" 13 Colder Hard frost

" 14 Snowing. Milder

" 16 Chopping in swamp & killing sow at Thompsons Thaw {? - page cut off}

" 17 Bot {Bought} 1/2 Pig from Thompson. Damp

" 18 A. {Agnes} To Fergus. Rain

" 19 Plowing & spreading Manure Mild

" 20 Plowing Heavy Rain in afternoon

- " 21 Frosty. at Fergus with chop. Thunder storm at nigh {night - page cut off}
- " 23 Mild and sunny Drawing wood from swam {swamp - page cut off}
- " 24 Clarks sale Rain all day heavy Thunder at n {night?..cut off}
- " 25 Extra Fine no frost. finished spreading manure. Laying f {? - page cut off} of Fe {? page cut off}
- " 26 Plowing Rain morning high wind flurries of Snow afte {after - page cut off} hard Frost at nigh {night - page cut off}
- " 27 very fine Thompsons threshing

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December 28 Thompsons finished Threshing fine

- " 29 heavy rain all fornoon. high wind at night
- " 30 Municipal nomination at Belwood Frosty
- " 31 at Fergus with stewart. Cold & Frosty

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Jany 1 heavy rain all day. Party at D Milnes

- " 2 Rain all Forenoon. afternoon like spring frost all out
- " 3 Frosty again
- " 4 Stewart Threshing frosty
- " 5 Soft again Rain all afternoon & night
- " 6 Voting for Council Rain all forenoon
- " 7 Stewart finished threshing frosty
- " 8 Tibbitt threshing Snowing & very high wind
- " 9 Sow away Some Snow falling all day
- " 10 A {Agnes} to Fergus with butter
- " 11 Misty thaw at night
- " 13 A {Agnes} went to Toronto Rain in morning hurricane and (Snow in afternoon
- " 14 Killed 4 Pigs. Pleasant Day
- " 15 " 14 " at Stewarts Soft

" 16 Went to Guelph Cold & stormy. Pork 5.30
" 18 & 19 Mild & Pleasant almost a thaw
" 20 Rain all last night A Gale to Day with Snow went to Belwood Taxes
" 21 Killing Pigs at Thompsons
" 22 Drawing wood & Cleaning up Oats. Cold
" 23 Threshing at D. Milnes. Snow & Sleighing
" 24 Finished " A. {Agnes} Came home
" 25 at Fergus with Chop
" 26 Thaw again (27 & 28) very fine
" 29 Extra Fine Thawing Chopping & Drawing wood
" 30 at Fergus got oil & Meal
" 31 Thaw very soft and muddy
Feby 1 Frosty G. Allan had {Leann?}

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Feby 3 Soft again killed a Pig
" 4 Still soft and Some rain
" 6 Fine & Sunny moving Hal Milne & Geo Allan to Ferg {Fergus - cut off} (statio {station - page cut off}
" 7 Chopping in swamp. Snow Storm from Eat {East}
" 8 Moving Blanchfield to Belwood. Stormy
" 9 A.s. {Agnes's} Grandfather Died to Elora & Belwood with {page cut off}
" 10 Moving. Bradley from Stn {Station} to halfway
" 11 Mild killing Pigs at Stewarts
" 12 Stormy at Old Wm Gerries Funreal {Funeral} (Sleigh {...page cut off}
" 13 very warm Sunny day
" 14 Rain all day Snow gone
" 15 at Fergus for grist Waggon
" 17 & 18 Cleaning up Wheat Both days Misty & m {? - page cut off}

" 19 Chopping & drawing wood Snow at night Killed 2 pigs

" 20 very Stormy. Fair day at Fergus with Pig & ch {chop - page cut off} Ho {? page cut off}

" 21 & 22 still stormy but Snow wont lie for sleig {sleighing - page cut off}

" 23 Snow fell quietly making sleighing

" 24 & 25 Thaw. Rain. Warm. Snow all gone except Dri {Drifts? page cut off}

" 26 & 27 Drawing wood misty & slight frost (27) A. {Agnes} to Fergus

" 28 Thaw Rain most of the day

March 1 showers of Snow Coldest this winter. Bel {? page cut off} the first {? ...cut off}

" 3 cold Killing Pigs at Thompsons

" 4 Cold Snowing & drifting got Peas home

" 5 Drawing wood. very cold A. {Agnes} to Kelsey's with E {Edna? page cut off}

" 6 15 Below this morning. Bright & Sunny

" 7 & 8 Beautiful bright & Clear But cold

" 10 milder Some Snow

" 11 misty & Rain all day

" 12 " " " " " Buchanan & Watson here for c {? page cut off}

" 13 at Fergus with Chop for cattle Bad Roads

" 14 & 15 Frosty again & Snow

" 17 Milder Drawing wood (& 18th) Stones

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March 19 Fine at Nichol to @Moirs & Gordons Sale

" 20 at Fergus Fair fine

" 21 More Rain very muddy

" 22 Fine Froze up again

" 24 First Robins seen Mild & Sunny

" 25 Ester {Easter} Fair cold and Rainy

" 26 Snowy Blustery day

" 27 Frosty Morning Sunny day at Bichardsons {Richardsons} sale

" 28 Great storm of Snow all day biggest Drifts of the winter

" 30 yesterday fine at Belwood to Blacksmiths to day to day snowing

" 31 Sunny all day but cold & Raw

April 1 Cold & sunny at Fergus for dust. D. Milnes Sawing

" 2 " " Jas Clark here

" 3 Soft Rainy afternoon

" 4 Good Friday at Sale at Brokies Rain Roads Bad River Broke up

" 6 very heavy rain at night

" 8 Rainy Morning at McWhirters Sale Bot {Bought} Harrows

" 9 " & misty with Thunderstorm Cooler at night

" 10 frosty morn went for Harrows

" 12 at Belwood with chop Mare shod warm a number Plowing

" 13 very warm 75 in shade

" 14 rain this morning Cold and rough

" 16 First Lambs Started to Plow. Building fence

" 17 at Fergus with Grist & Chop fine

" 19 Building fence Drawing wood. fixing Spring

" 20 this last 6 Days Sunny and frosty nights

" 22 Drawing Earth to & Plowing Turnip land Horse show Elora

" 23 Rain in forenoon

" 24 Fine Brooks sale

" 25 Finished Plowing Turnip land sowed wheat

" 26 Started to Plow Sod. Rain at night Sow away

" 28 Sowed Grass Seed and Harrowed it

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April 29 A Heavy Rain this morning Cool

" 30 Cold Raw & Rainy

May 1 Plowing cold. frosty morning Been frosty every (night But 2 this sprin {spring}

" 2 Beautiful day Meeting to Elect Delegate to R. {page cut off}

" 3 finished Plowing stubble thunder & Rain first {s... page cut off?}

" 6 Cold & Snowing. Dancing Party from Fergus

" 7 Frosty. Sowing oats Harrowing

" 8 Frosty. Convention at Fergus. Clarke chosen

" 9 Rain (10) Rain (12) & more Rain finished ~~C~~

" 13 at Fergus with chop finished Plowing for Peas

" 14 Sowing Peas & Harrowing yesterday & to Day the first Spring Day

" 15 & 16 Fine Picking Roots & plowing swamp

" 17 Cold. finished Plowing swamp

" 18 Foal Dolly. Cold. windy & rain

" 19 at Fergus with cattle 20.30 @ 4 cts Dull and Damp

" 20 Cool (21) sowed Oats in swamp Cold. Fros {Frosty - page cut off}

" 23 Thunder & Heavy Rain warm Growing weather at las {last - page cut off}

" 24 Finished Plowing (25) Two Terrible Showers of Rai {Rain - page cut off}

" 26 Finished Sowing. Warm. Mare Served Heard white {P...? page cut off}

" 27 " Harrowing Wild Plums in Bloom

" 28 Picking stones off Hayland very warm

" 29 to Fergus at Nomaniation {Nomination} Local House. Clark & {Hamp..page cut off} Fine

" 30 Dull with Some Rain but warm good growth Harrowing Turnips twin Calves

" 31 Hot 85 Trees in Leaf Planting Potatoes on Track

June 2 started to Plow Turnip land. Meeting at {No 1 S S...cut off}

" 3 At Stewarts filling manure Heavy rain at night {warm? page cut off}

" 4 Plowing hot. Thunder & Rain Terrific at night

" 5 Tremendous Storm Thunder Rain & Wind Blowing a {page cut off}

Fences washing away Bridges Culverts Booms & {c... page cut off}

Polling Local House Clarks Majority {409?} Mowat sustained

" 6 & 7 Land too wet to work

" 9 Plowing turnip land (10) Went to Fergus Evening

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June 11 Finished Plowing turnip land Rain

" 12 Planting Potatoes Rain

" 13 Finished " 24{?} {Clepants?} 6 {Ste..?} = acre Rain

" 14 Sowing Mangels & Turnips

" 16 To Fergus with Grist Wm Gerrie left for west Measured for Boots

" 18 Finished Sowing Swedes (17) Sowed carotts {carrots} & Corn

" 19 to Fergus got Cabbage & Tomatoes

" 20 Washed sheep Planted " " "

" 21 Staked Fence Turned cattle into swamp

" 23 very hot Turnips all sowed Cutting thistles

" 24 " " Whitewashing sheep Clipped

" 25 at Belwood (26) at Fergus with Potatoes hot 96 Got Boots

" 27 Road work (28) ditto heavy Rain and very hot

" 30 Still warm & damp

July 1 3 heavy showers to day W. Gerries Wife & Children here

" 2 warm (3) cooler started haying but showery

" 5 Slight frost at Rockwood with wool

" 7 Warm. all the folks at W. Gerries coling hay

" 8 at Belwood Getting mare shod hot Rain

" 9 scuffling Turnips & Potatoes

" 10 Drawing in hay nearly frost in Morning

" 12 hot moulding Potatoes

" 13 Scorching hot (14) still hot & dry thinning Turnips

" 15 Mowing hay (16) at Fergus A {Agnes} to see E. J.
 " 17 Slight rain (18) Scuffling & hoeing Paris Greening
 " 19 quite Cool at Turnips (20) very Cool
 " 21 Frost last night froze Potatoes & nipped Turnips
 " 22 & 23 at Turnip very dry J. Gerrie came
 " 24 Heavy Rain With thunder (25) at Belwood More Rain
 " 26 Moulded Potatoes Fergus evening With J. G.
 " 28 Scuffling hot (29) Paris Green ont {Ontario?} Potatoes Hot
 " 30 Rainy most of the day and hot Moving straw

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July 31 Finished thinning Turnips. Mowing a very heavy Crop. Rain. Hot. A {Agnes} to Fergus with {child - page cut off}

August 1 finished Cutting hay. Hot. Scuffling turnips 3rd {T - Time? page cut off}

" 2 hay all coled up (3) Great Heat heavy rain New {Potato - Potatoes - page cut off}

" 4 a heavy rain and Great heat hay very wet helping D M {Turn.. Turnips? page cut off}

" 5 More rain. (6) Cooler. drawing hay

" 8 Hay all in (9) helping J. Milne at Thinning Turnips {C...? page cut off}

" 10 at M. Bremmers funreal {funeral}. Cold

" 11 at Fergus with Grist got Ridgeboards

" 12 had a bee digging Ditch (13 & 14) Cleaning turnips very Dry

" 15 at A. Richardsons Funreal {Funeral} Finished Cleaning Tur {Turnips - page cut off}

" 16 Choreing sawing wood

" 18 D. Milne threshing. Frosty morning

" 19 Sow Pigged all Dead rain all afternoon

" 20 Mrs Moir from Nichol here fine

" 21 heavy rain all forenoon

" 22 Cradling wheat went to Fergus got Gloves

" 23 Jas Milne Cut wheat with Binder. Cool heavy frost in morning

" 25 Pulling Peas Rain after 5 oclock

" 27 Peas all Pulled Damp Backward weather & cool

" 28 & 29 Sawing wood and digging stumps

" 30 Digging Stumps Cold. rain more or less every day {t? we? page cut off}

Septr 1 heavy frost. and Froze oats cutting Potatoes down, Peas all in, {started - page cut off}

" 2 Drawing Wheat J.B. Mullan here

" 3 Wheat all in. Started to Cut oats

" 4 hot. Cutting oats. Rain at Night

" 5 at Smiths threshing. A {Agnes} to Fergus with Pear {Pears - page cut off}

" 6 " Stewarts " heavy rain in the Morning war {warm - page cut off}

" 8 Rain again (9 & 10) Fair & dry cutting oats

" 11 Finished upper oats Drawed a Load Rain in afterno {afternoon - page cut off}

" 12 Rain (13) Rain, Digging out stumps

" 15 Oats all in above the Track

" 16 Rain went to Fergus to see Doctor for E. {Edna, Forbes's daughter} Diphtheria

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Septr 18 Cuting {Cutting} (19) de {ditto} Rain and high winds

" 20 tying oats and Digging stumps

" 22 Finished Cutting Cool

" 23 " Tying at stumps

" 24 at Tibbitts Thresing {Threshing} heavy Frost

" 25 " " " " Drawing in

" 26 Rain more or less all Day warm

" 27 Crop all in. Stumps all out Nor. west of Dittch {Ditch}

" 29 Jas Milne Threshing hot

" 30 D. " " "

Octr 1 helping Jas Milne Clean Barley took Load to Fergus

" 2 took Potatoes up on track

" 3 rainy in Forenoon at Belwood Show afternoon

" 4 at Fergus with chop. got Oven Lined & Potato tools

" 6 Rainy all day A {Agnes} to Belwood a {at} Jas Gerries. Plowing

" 7 damp (8) started Potatoes 1/4 Rotten

" 9 Warm at Potatoes (10) heavy Rain in forenoon at to Fergus in afternoon

" 11 Cool. Plowing and taking up potatoes (12) Rain

" 13 at Potatoes & Smiths Sale. Rain

" 14 Finished Potatoes. Rain. Drawed wood for Milne

" 15 Took up Mangels. Killed sheep 121 lbs mutton

" 16 Drawing manure. Erin Show. heavy rain all afternoon

" 17 " " (18) DO DO {Dittos} 2 fine days

" 20 Threshing a fine Day (Burrs Machine)

" 21 & 22 Drawing manure very fine (23) Finished Rain

" 24 Cleaning Chop Drawing wood & Turnips

" 25 at Fergus with grist & chop. Cool

" 27 Picking over Potatoes laying carpet Putting up stone to lie First snow

" 28 Topping turnips took up carrots {carrots}

" 29 took up soft Turnips harrowing up Swedes

" 30 Drawing swedes. Showers of Snow

" 31 " " D. Milne's helping

1890 == === 47 =

November 1 Topping Turnips harrowing & Drawing got all in that were up. 50 Loads over an acre to do y {yet? page cut off } heavy fall of Snow in the afternoon to Fergus

" 2 heavy fall of Snow. no Frost. tied cattle all in

" 3 more Snow 5 inches Deep now no frost in ground Put Cabbage in cel {cellar? page cut off}

" 4 Cutting wood Mild (5) at Belwood with chop a lot of s {snow? page cut off}

" 6 Drawing wood and Spreading Manure Fine

" 7 Plowing manure, snow gone. Pulling turnips

" 8 Turnips all in very good crop. 60 Loads A. Whi {White? page cut off}_ and D Milne help {helped? page cut off}

" 9 Tremendous Rain (10) Fine Plowing & spreading manur {manure - page cut off}

" 11 Plowing & Putting New Ridgeboards on house. Mild

" 12 fine. Manure all spread

" 13 finished Plowing in manure. Stewart Plowing here (West field all Plowed

" 14 very warm Plowing in swamp & harrowing west field

" 15 misty " " " (16) very fine at Church

" 17 heavy Rain all day. went to hear Cartwright at in {..? page cut off}

" 18 Plowing (19) finished Swamp took Ewes away Stewart threshing

" 20 Stewart finished threshing frost and Snow Plowing yet

" 21 at Bellamy's Sale fine day

" 22 Stormy & Cold Smith going to thresh Machine B {Broke? page cut off}

" 23 (Sunday) fine at Thompsons

" 24 Mild Smith threshing

" 25 " " Finished Cold. Drawing wood & R {? page cut off}

" 26 at Fergus with Chop. Went to Bayne's Sale Bot {Bought} Sow \$10.00 Due in 14 mos at Impl Bk {Imperial Bank?} Plows stopt {stopped} By Frost

" 27 Went for sow. Bright and frosty

" 28 Thompsons threshing very frost A {Agnes} sick went for {illegible - page cut off}

" 29 30 Milder Beautiful days

December 1 fall of Snow at Fergus with Sleigh with chop

" 2 hard frost but fair

" 3 hard frost and Snowing sold cattle to Smith & F {? page cut off} @ 3cts@ {page cut off}

" 4 Cold took {" ditto under cattle} to Belwood

" 5 fine Killing Pigs Jas Milnes

" 6 & 7 Bright & Cold

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December 9 Christmas Fair. very dull fine Day no sleighing

" 10 at Belwood with chop Killed Big sow 396 Lbs

" 11 very mild started to Kill Pigs a {at} Thompsons but quit

" 12 " " Drawing up wood

" 13 at Fergus with A {Agnes}. Cold (14 & 15) very mild

" 16 & 17 frosty But fine on 17th to Belwood for Dash {?} with Cutts

" 19 Cold and clear & still to A Louttitt's sale fine wheeling

" 20 very mild Fanning wheat took back oats to D.M.

" 21 (Sunday) thaw. Rain. & Snow slight

" 22 W.D. Greens Sale very fine

" 23 to Luther for wood With wheels stormy

" 25 Cold & raw Jas. Johnston here

" 27 Some snow to Fergus with sleigh

" 29 Cold Nomination day (municipal)

" 30 Cleaning up Wheat. mild

" 31 Annual school meeting. Was elected Trustee

" " heavy Fog. No Sleighing yet but Grand wheeling

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Jany 1 A Heavy Rain all Day

" 2 Frosty and drifting. very icy Roads took sheep home

" 3 to Fergus Stewart took grist Down for me

" 5 Municipal Electon {Election} R Dryden. SR Ransom. C Clark. C Conlon C Hend

" 6 7 & 8 Bright and Sunny. Cold. Grist home

" 9 D Milne threshing

" 10 " " Finished still very fine Sow Away

" 12 Some Snow Great wind

" 13 Killed Pig heavy Fall of Snow at night

" 14 very Drifty (15) Drawed straw to Smith Sleigh

" 16 Killing Pigs at Stewarts. Cold 10 below Zero

" 17 quite mild. (19) mild & misty

" 20 Threshing at J. Milnes. Soft. Misty

" 21 Finished " " " Took in Turnips. Rain.

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Jany 23 H Cull's Sale. Snowing and Snow yesterday

" 24 Snowing went to Luther for wood

" 26 Killing Pigs at thompsons. Fine

" 27 heavy fall of snow from East went to Fergus

" 28 very fine. Alex Moir here. Trustee meeting

" 29 Misty and Rain in afternoon

" 30 Cleared up and slight frost (31) Mild

February 2 Killing Pig went to Nichol hunting seed wheat got at Bro {? page cut off}

" 3 Killing Pigs at Thompsons very stormy

" 4 Coldest Day this Season so far below zero Drif {Drifty? page cut off}

" 5 went with Stewart looking for wheat. Roads heavy

" 6 very fine (7) stormy at Fergus

" 9 at Belwood Selecting Delegates R. C Thaw Rain

" 10 Drifty & snow. Taking out Saw log at River

" 11 To Saw Mill with Log Fin {Fine}

" 12 " " " " Took chop to Belwood. Mild

" 13 at Fergus to R. Convention. A. Semple choosen {chosen}

" 14 Cutting & Drawing wood. Across River From Mil {? page cut off} very Fine

" 15 & 16 Thaw and Rain Sleighing Gone

" 17 Snow and Sleighing again at R.J. Blacks sale

" 18 ver {very?} Stormy to sawmill for lumber good sleigh

" 19 Fair Day very fine. John Charles Born {Forbes' son}
" 20 Snowing & Drifting heavy in mon {morning} Rain afternoon
" 21 Fine at Fergus. {file?} Got Boots
" 23 Mild Drawing wood accross {across} river. Sow Served
" 24 Drawing wood in forenoon. Heavy Rain all afternoon giving Cull a Present
" 25 Great flood River broke up the Earliest for 80 yrs Cold at night
" 26 Frosty. Nomination Dominion. Semple & Hunter Came
" 27 Quite Stormy very Icy (28) Stormy & Frosty
March 1 Fine but Cold (2) Some Snow (3) rough
" 4 Snow & very Drifty at Fergus. Killed Pig at J. Milne
" 5 Fine Election Dominion Semple Elected Maj {Majority?} 146

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March 6 More Snow Fair Sleighing again Cold
" 7 & 8 Settled and milder
" 9 Thaw (10) Colder Killing Pigs at D Milnes
" 11 Very warm rapid thaw at Fergus with waggon
" 12 Snowing all forenoon but Soft. Frosty at night
" 13 & 14 a real Snowstorm Roads Blocked up Snowplough on Train
" 15 Still very stormy
" 16 Stormy Still went to Fergus Roads in fields
" 17 Milder to Fergus with Wheat goose 70 cts
" 18 " moving Jas. Lang & Mitchells heavy Snow
" 19 Fine very cold (20) soft and rain
" 21 to Luther for wood mild & misty
" 22 Sunny and thawing rapidly
" 23 Grey Cow Died rapid thaw
" 24 At A. Brockies for wheat Sleighing gone

" 26 Sawing at D. Milnes Colder
 " 27 Snowing & Blustery
 " 28 Fine at Gillespie's for wood W.G. Thompson helping
 " 30 Raw and Cold Killing Pigs at Smiths
 " 31 heavy Snow Storm Alexanders Sale Bot {Bought} Cow 41.50 11 mos
 April 1 Drawing Manure from Halfway Sleigh
 " 2 rain Sleigh {Sleet} all day
 " 3 Snow. took Grist to Fergus Froze at night
 " 4 & 5 hard Frost & Clear
 " 6 " " " Bot {bought} Oats From J. Richardson
 " 7 " " Went For oats " "
 " 9 Drawing wood & manure at John Richardsons Raising
 " 10 & 11 Raw and Rainy
 " 13 Warm First Spring Day at Belwood with chop
 " 14 Drawing wood forenoon warm then Rain
 " 15 Misty Some Rain to Fergus: Swallows
 " 16 Started to Plow at home Forenoon. Milnes afternoon warm

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April 17 very hot Some Rain but Cleared off
 " 18 Rain and warm
 " 20 very hot. Sowing oats on Milnes (Rented)
 " 21 cooler. (22) hot & very windy (23) Cool
 " 24 & 25 Grand working days. Land dry
 " 27 Sowing Peas. Rolling. a very high wind
 " 28 Finished Gang Plowing for wheat
 " 29 heavy frost. Sowing wheat & Rolling Annie {Raes?} Frost
 " 30 Still cool and windy

{star beside date} May 1 Sowed Grass Seed and Rolled it Frost River Men Here (Black & P {... page cut off})

" 2 Picking Roots in Swamp Some Rain hot

" 3 Fine shower last night. Cold

" 5 Finished Plowing Sod at home. hard frost with Showers of Snow. too hard to Harrow all Day ice 1 in {inch} never saw the like at this Date

" 6 hard frost again Plowing at Milnes

" 7 Same as yesterday Mitchells here for wheat (8) Sowing Oats & Harrowing

" 9 Finished harrowing Sod & Picking Roots warm

" 11 Fine Shower Last night Sowed oats in Swamp

" 12 warm At Fergus at night Harrowing

" 13 Dry and thick Haze Thompsons here for hay

" 14 Sowing Oats & Harrowing Thompsons Here Plowing {? page cut off}

" 15 Plowing in swamp. Some drops of Rain Wild Plums in blom {bloom}

{star beside date} " 16 Finished Plowing very cold. River Men here {(M... page cut off)}

" 18 Finished Sowing at at home A remarkable {... page cut off} Not an hour of broken time since we started no {...cut off} and Frost Every night. Trees in leaf

" 19 ~~Plowing~~ Sowing at Milnes Fine

" 20 Harrowing " R. Milnes Funeral

" 21 Harrowing & Rolling A Team From Richardson

" 22 Plowing Some Rain lat {last} night and to day Had Bert Milne

" 23 Finished Seeding on Milnes (24) Hanna Smiths Funr {Funeral - page cut off}

" 25 Turned out young Cattle all night

{Written vertically along side of left column - The year we had the Milnes Place}

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May 26 Frost. Dry. at Belwood. Court of Revision

" 27 Picking stones at Milnes. Frost.

" 28 " " " home Harrowing Turnip land

" 29 Finished Stones & Drawing wood From River

" 30 Filling manure at Stewarts & washing sheep warm

June 1 Plowing for Potatoes (night first Since 14th Apl {April})

" 2 " " " Thunder and heavy rain last

" 3 & 4 Cutting Potatoes and choring More Rain

" 5 Cool. Planted Potatoes. 13 1/2 Bush on an Acre

" 6 A {at} Fergus with Grist. hot & Dry

" 8 Clipped Sheep (9) Sowed Turnips. Corn. Bean & {hot?}

" 10 Plowing Turnip land (10) Ditto fine Rain

" 12 Sowing Turnip hot (13) Same went to fergus

" 15 very hot finished Sowing Turnips Planted Cabbage {illegible}

" 16 " " " to Belwood for Scraper heavy Rain at nght {night}

" 17 Cooler. Showery all day young Pigs

" 18 " " " at E. Kelsey's

" 19 at Fergus with Load of straw. mare Served. Rainy

" 22 Whitewashing kitchen. Showers

" 23 & 24 Doing Road work Drawing Gravel

" 25 & 26 Piling wood & Cutting willows

" 29 to Rockwood with wool and Seeing R. Richardson

" 30 Scuffling Turnips cutting thistles

July 1 A. {Agnes} to J. Gerries. Some Rain

" 2 to A. Moirs. Nichol hot

" 3 Fine Rain in the morning lasted all Day the the first real rain this spring

" 4 started to thin Turnips to Fergus with J. Milne

" 6 Scuffling & thinning Turnips

" 7 fine Rain all forenoon to Fergus with straw to H Mitchell

" 8 fine A. {Agnes} to See Eliza Johnston

" 9 finished Scuffling Turnips first time fine Plants

" 10 hot at P. Gerries Raising

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{star beside date} July 11 & 12 hot old Mr R. Blacks Funeral on 12th

" 13 very hot at Turnips (14) heavy Rain with {thund} thunder

" 15 Cooler Bill Gerrie's wife & family here

" 16 Finished thinning Turnips. hoeing Potatoes

" 17 at Fergus with Chop Slight Rain

" 18 finished hoeing Potatoes went to Belwood

" 20 Moulding Potatoes. took Colts to Pasture

" 21 Started haying Cutting odd Corners Hot

" 23 at Fergus with Load of straw to Niel MacLean {... page cut off}

{star beside date} " 24 very hot Putting fingers in Cradle

" 25 Putting Paris Green on Potatoes

" 27 " " " " and morning Cool

" 28 Finished mowing at home. Coling up

" 29 all Coled up Drawing in

" 30 Slight Rain to Fergus & Elora with G. {McRa... ? page cut off}

" 31 hay all in But Rakings

August 1 Slight Rain all day

" 3 Raking & coling hay & Drawing in from Miln {Milne}

" 4 hay all in hoeing Turnips 2nd time (5) same Both Days r {rain? page cut off}

" 6 Finished Turnips still hot & Dry

" 7 hot 91 in shade. folks down to Nichol

" 8 Some rain very hot and Close

" 9 heavy rain heaviest since the 24th {Feley & Great?} thunder & wind unroofing Barns in all Directions

" 10 at Fergus with straw to J. Davis thunder Rain

" 11 at Fergus for Grist Still hot

" 12 at Elora to Rocks with S.S. Pic Nic

" 14 Rain at Fergus for Calf pd \$2.00

" 15 Working in swamp up to J. Johnston's at night

" 17 started Pulling Peas Cradling wheat for J Mi {Milne? page cut off}

" 18 very Hot. at Guelph with Hay @ 8.00 Per ton

" 20 Cutting Oats on the Milne Place. Hot

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August 21 Drizzly Warm Day (22) Pulling Peas

" 24 Cool and Rain all Day. Putting up Blinds

" 25 Cool Pulling Peas (26) Do do {ditto}

" 27 finised {finished} Pulling Peas Started to Draw in first Cabbage and Turnips

" 28 Stewart threshing. Rainy. to Fergus

" 29 D M {Milne} " Cutting wheat

" 31 Peas all in. Showers. hot.

September 1 Cutting oats at Milnes (2) Do {ditto} & wheat at home

" 3 Broke Reaper. Drawing oats from Milnes. Cool

" 4 to Belwood for Repairs for Reaper. Cutting wheat

" 5 Rainy afternoon and very heavy at night

" 7 Cutting oats (8) Smith threshing. Frost

" 8 Drawing in wheat. Frost. Freezing late oats

" 10 Cutting oats. J. B. Mullan here

" 11 " " Drawing oats from Milnes

" 12 Cutting wheat heavy Rain at night

" 13 Blossom Cow Calved got at Alexanders Sale

" 14 Finished Cutting Wheat. Cutting oats

" 15 Rain all last night & this forenoon. to Fergus with Chop

" 16 Cutting oats (17) Do Do {ditto} & Drawing in very warm

" 18 Wheat all in Thunder & Rain at night

" 19 J. Milne threshing hot

" 21 Drawing oats. Raking stubble very hot

" 22 Cutting oats " wheat stubble very hot

" 23 Broke Reaper at Belwood Repairs Cutting oats 87 in Shade
 " 24 Cutting oats (25) Cutting at Milne's. went for Doctor to Mother
 " 26 at Milnes in forenoon. J. White here in afternoon
 " 28 Stooking at Milnes and drawing in for noon {forenoon} drawing at home afternoon 2 Thompson's & team W. Tibbitt & J. Innes here rain and wind at night
 " 29 Finished Cutting at home quite cool
 " 30 Warmer J. Milne threshing
 Octr 1 Finished {Binding?} at home. trustee Meeting

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October 2 Finished cutting at Milne's Drawing at home
 " 3 all in at home after a long weary harvest
 " 5 a good deal of rain yesterday. Gang Plowing. Cool
 " 7 Rain Tibbitt threshing yesterday & to Day
 " 8 Jas Clark here harrowing (9) Drawing in)
 " 10 Stooks all in at last 5 Days Later than 188{9? page cut off} which was the latest before this. to Church after
 " 12 Drawing manure warm
 " 13 Thompsons threshing there with Team
 " 14 Drawing manure till noon Rainy
 " 15 & 16 threshing Franks machine good turn out {E..? cut off} Peas Showers Both Days and cool
 " 17 Meeting to Choose Delegates at Belwood
 " 19 threshing at Smiths all Day. Drizzly
 " 20 Drawing wood & to Belwood for Chop {(Horses?)}
 " 21 & 22nd Taking up Potatoes. Cold
 " 23 Took oats to Fergus. went to Convention Craig {chosen? page cut off}
 " 24 warmer. at Potatoes (26) Fine day Potatoes
 " 27 Cold Showers of Snow all day. Topping turnip
 " 28 Fine. finished Potatoes. took up Carrotts. mangels (Cabbage. Harrowing Swedes
 " 29 Drawing Turnips & Harrowing very fine

" 30 " " Indian Summer (31) Light Rain {w..? cut off} (and fine
November 2 Frosty Morn. Turnips all Topped & Harrowed out
" 3 Fine Drawed 20 Loads
" 4 Turnips all in. 78 Loads. Fine Crop. & fully Ripe for {..cut off}
" 5 Ground white with Snow to Fergus with Chop
" 6 Putting Down Carpet Drawing Manure
" 7 Drawing Manure Glorious fine weather
" 9 " " very warm
" 10 Rain all day. Election (Provincial) Kirkwood Elected
" 11 Fine to Fergus with Returns from Div. No 2
" 12 & 13 Fine finished Drawing manure 79 Load

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Novr 14 heavy frost Harrowing manure & Drawing wood
" 15 (Sunday) River men at the Ties all Day
" 16 Spreading Manure a heavy Rain took Cattle in
" 17 Snow and Great Drifting
" 18 very hard Frost last night Turnips Froze in Root House
" 19 Milder Stewart threshing in afternoon
" 20 " " & D. Milne threshing all day
" 21 Stewart finished " till 3 o clock Rain all afternoon
" 22 Heavy rain all day
" 23 Started to Plow in manure Terrible Rain. broke boom in Fergus
" 24 Snowing went to Fergus (25) very Rough
" 26 Milder Killing Pigs at Smiths
" 27 Cold Killing Pigs at D. Milnes
" 28 A. {Agnes} to Fergus Clear but frosty (29) very Cold
" 30 very Cold took Mrs Milne to Fergus stn {station} Plowing stopt

December 1 Took ewes away. Killing Pigs at thompons {thompsons} fine

" 2 Cleaning Oats (3) to Fergus with oats mild & Sunny

" 4 a heavy rain Frost all out Cleared up at night

" 5 Fine Plowing again in fine order

" 7 heavy snow last night fair sleighing

" 8 Christmas fair moving J. Young (Wheels) fine

" 9 & 10 Thompsons threshing very fine

" 11 Took lambs to Fergus took up J. Yongs {Youngs} Potatoes

" 12 took a load of Turnips to D. Bevrley {Beverley?} Snow gone very fine

" 14 Rain all day Turning to Snow at night

" 15 Snow and damp hail misty

" 16 Frosty and windy A. White threshing

" 17 To Salem for flour. with Sleigh. Clear

" 19 Mild Drawing wood From Milnes

" 21 To Fergus with load of oats @ 31cts

" 23 Killed a Pig rainy & Snow but mild

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Decr 24 D Milne threshing Bleak East wind

" 25 mild and misty

" 26 D. M. Threshing. Mild in morn Frost {...? cut off}

" 28 Municipal nomination Clear and bright

" 29 Rainy Smith threshing

" 30 School meeting Frosty. Smith Finished

" 31 D Milne Finished threshing went to Fergus

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Jany 1 hail and stormy last night very mild to {day? cut off} no sign of Sleighing yet

" 2 very mild Jas Milne threshing

" 4 Poling Day Municipal Dryden Ransom McDermot Clark {Collinridge?} coldest Snap yet

" 5 Ja Milne Finished Threshing Sow away Clear & {ineligible}

" 7 To Fergus with oats & chop Sleighing

" 8 at Wm {Hamans?} threshing for Stewart

" 9 To H. McQueens Luther For wood. {Sleigh ? cut off} very col {cold - page cut off}

" 11 " " " " " Milder

" 13 Mild To Fergus with Load of Turnips to {Bo...? cut off}

" 14 To Fergus with Chop Fine Sleighing

" 16 To Fergus with Load of oats Cold

" 18 To Belwood with Chop Snowing

" 19 To Fergus with oats

" 20 To Luther for wood Stewart with me {McQueen? cut off}

" 21 very stormy to Mitchells in the aftern {afternoon - page cut off}

" 22 milder Snowing Killing Pigs at Stewarts

" 23 Rogh {Rough} Drifty Drawing wood wood from swamp

" 25 Fine Killing Pigs at Home 4

" 26 Great Drift last night very Cold to day took Pork to {cut off}

" 27 & 28 Cold and rather Raw

" 29 very fine killing Pigs A {at} Thompsons (20)

" 30 Took Grist to Fergus thawing {A?} fine Sleigh {Sleighing - page cut off} this last three weeks

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Feby 1 {tok} took cow to Fergs {Fergus} to weigh Took Grist home

" 2 Rain & hail in mornig {morning} heavy snow in afternoon

" 3 rather mild with Some Snow

" 4 Cutting & Drawing wood from Milnes

" 5 & 6 " " " very fine Grand sleighing

" 7 Snow in morn Rain Thunder & Lightning at night

" 8 Mild. To Fergus with cow to Cassis & Robertson

" 9 Bright and fine to Petrons Entertainment

" 11 The most stormy day of the winter

" 12 heavy roads and Frosty Killing Pigs at Thompsons

" 13 at Fergus fine. took down straw and Potatoes

" 15 Fanning oats (16) To Fergus with chop. Fine

" 18 Fine Fair day (19) Cutting wood at Milnes

" 20 at Jas Laings mild

" 22 To Fergus Seeing W Gerrie & Beattie A. Bremner 3 mos {months} Note

" 24 & 25 Cutting and drawing wood very mild

" 26 Colder at Watsons Sale & Jas Clarks

" 27 & 28 Cold. Laid up with cold

" 29 Fall of soft Snow. At Curries sale

March 1 Great Drifts last night Cold. Killing Pigs for Richardson

" 2 Cold. To Fergus with oats (29) do {ditto} Fine

" 3 To Fergus with Turnips for Thompsons Fine

" 4 Stewart here Drawing wood

" 5-7 & 8 Drawing wood. very fine sleighing near gone

" 9 Took Logs to Sawmill J. Murrays Funreal {Funeral}

" 10 Cutting at Stewarts Snowy

" 11 Killed 2 Pigs. very stormy " 12 Cold & Bright at Robt Kennedy's Sale

" 14 yesterday & to Day very Stormy and Cold

" 15 very Cold and Blowing Cutting Rafters with Thompson

" 16 Drawing wood. Cold But quiet 2 weeks of Borealis

" 17 Fine to Fergus down the River. Fair day

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March 18 & 19 cold and Blustry {Blustery}

" 21 Killing a Pig at Stewarts cold & Raw

- " 22 Rainy afternoon (23) Cold & Snowing
- " 24 Drawing accross {across} river form Milnes Soft Lot of Snow
- " 25 Took logs to sawmill. Broke Through river Robins & Bluebirds
- " 26 Drawing wood accross {across} river. Sleighing gone {illegible and cut off}
- " 28 Sawing wood & Cleaning oats
- " 30 Went to See Jas. Clark who is very bad. Raw
- " 31 Chop to mill. To Brokies Sale. Raw & cold
- April 1 Mild Cleaning wheat. River Broke up
- " 2 at Halls Sale windy. Great thaw
- " 4 Easter Fair. Heavy Rain. Thunder at night
- " 5 Plows going after a very fine winter no {heavy? page cut off} Storms or Drifts and few heavy Frosts to Belwood with Chop. quite warm
- " 6 To Jas Clarks Funreal {Funeral}. Roads Pretty Ba {Bad - page cut off}
- " 7 Fine and warm Started to Plow
- " 8 at Mrs A. Moir's funreal {funeral}. Cold, Rain & {...? cut off}
- " 9 Frost Stopt Plow. Snowing A. Whites Raising got Calf from J. {Young? cut off} First Gang of River men here stopt all night N. McLean
- " 11 Burns Sale Bot {Bought} Cow \$51.00 @ 13 mos. time up 18th of apri {april - page cut off}
- " 11. 12. 13. 14 still very frost Sawing wood Some Plo {Plowing - page cut off}
- " 15 Still frosty 2nd Gang of River men. A. Gow
- " 16 Still Frosty & Dry horses Crossed river on ice 3 weeks ago to day they Can ford it. took straw to W Gerrie
- " 18 Still Frosty Plowing (19) Do Do {ditto}
- " 20 no Frost. Went to Guelph Got Suit of Clothes
- " 21 Started to Plow Pea land rainy afternoon
- " 22-23 Cold and dry. Plowing. Frost not out of {page cut off}
- " 25 No Plowing till noon. Gang Plowing Aroua {Aurora} 4 nig {night - page cut off}
- " 26 to Fergus for Clover Seed Frosty
- " 28 Finished Plowing for Wheat Sowed Wheat {a..? page cut off}
- " 29 Harrowing Wheat Litter of Pigs Aroua {Aurora} {F..? page cut off}

April 30 Hard frost no Plowing till Noon Sowed Grass seed & Harrowing

May 3 Finished Plowing for Peas the Past 3 days drizzly

" 4 Sowing Peas and Harrowing First Lambs

" 5 Heavy rain in the afternoon Thunder (6) Plowing

" 7 Cool. To Fergus with Chop Frosty night

" 9 Sowing oats & Harrowing. Warmer Swallows

" 10 & 11 Plowing sod Light Showers

" 12 Finished Plowing for Crop. Finised {Finished} sowing. Started to Plow in manure for Turnips which Did not get done last Fall Been very cold & Dry Seeding lime. Just lost 3 hours with Rain

" 16 Rain yesterday. Spreading Manure & Plowing. warm Taking out Stumps & Building culvert

" 17 To Belwood with chop. Northern Lights for 8 nights

" 18 Manure all Plowed in. Cooler

" 19 Went to Fergus with Load of oats heavy rain

" 21 Drizzling all day and cold (22) Do Do {ditto}

" 23 Plowing Swamp for Turnips. Cold. Showers of Rain Hail

" 24 finished Plowing for Turnips first time quite cool

" 25 Heavy Thunder storm rain every day for a week wild Plums in Bloom

" 26 Warmer to Fergus with grist D Milne washing Sheep

" 27 Harrowing & Building wire fence young Cattle out all night

" 28 Picking Stones to Fergus for grist

" 30 warm Cows out all night Rain yesterday

" 31 very warm Trees in leaf. Grand growing day Ewe died at McLellans for Potatoes

June 1 very warm Thunder & Rain to W. Gerries for lumber

" 2 " " Delivered 2 Steers 23.00 @ 4 cts a lb Cassie & Robinson

" 4 wet. Planted Potatoes on Track saw A Bremmer Paid Renew 7 mos {& PC ?}

" 6 very hot washed Sheep J. Gerrie here cutting Potatoes

" 7 " " Planted Potatoes Terrible Thunder storm at night Lightning Struck a lot of Telegraph Pole & stake of fence near Barn

" 8 warm and damp Picking over Potatoes

" 9 Foal 3 weeks overtime very heavy rain in forenoon Logs Coming down River thick. warm

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June 10 & 11 warm and fine Growing weather

" 12 Foal died still fine

" 13. 14. 15 very warm Plowing Turnip Land

" 16 Finished Plowing for Swedes Harrowed Potatoes h {...? page cut off}

" 17 To Fergus for Turnip seed Pd H. Mitchell & Dr. Johns

" 18 Sowing Turnips. Planting cabbage Hot. Rain

" 19 (Sunday) hot with heavy Rain

" 20 Finished Sowing Swedes Still hot

" 21 harrowing. at Thompsons Raising Rain at {page cut off}

" 22. 23. 24 Plowing Swamp. Rainy and warm

" 25 Harrowing warm. Still a few drops of Rain

" 27 at Wm Warmistow Funreal {Funeral} Heaviest Rain of the Seas {Season - page cut off}

" 28 Still dropping visiting at the school

" 29 doing Road work rain an {and} thunder

" 30 ' ' ' Harrowing in Swamp

July 1 Heavy white frost. Dry all day the 3rd one since 20th whitewashing

" 2 Finished Road work Heavy cold Rain all evening

" 3 a heavy downpour all day and cold

" 4 Drilling in swamp for white turnips W. Thomps {Thompson} Raising

" 5 Rain. Drilling & sowing Turnips and scuffling {Potatoes? cut off}

" 6 Finished Sowing white Turnips in Swamp Latest w {...? page cut off} Dry Peas in Bloom

" 7 Dry & hot Cuting {Cutting} thistles. hoeing Potatoes. Sow away

" 8 " " To Guelph with load of hay \$9.00

" 11 " " scuffling Turnips. Thunder no Rain

" 12 " " hoeing Potatoes & Corn Scuffling

" 13 Started to thin Turnips

- " 14 To Fergus with hay @ 6.00 very Hot
- " 15 Terrible Thunderstorm Rain and Hail School meeting J. Black Trustee
- " 16 Moulding up Potatoes (18) Scuffling & Hoeing Turnips
- " 19 Started haying cutting {cutting} odd corners {Ranging?} Pigs
- " 20 Took Straw to Morrow & Mitchell. Hot
- " 22 Mowing in Field Still warm

{on left side of page and written vertically} Last winter and spring there was sun spots and long Continued Northern Lights memo when this occurs again Look out for a Rainy Spell within 2 months

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July 23 Putting Green on Potatoes. Track Raking & Coling hay 90 in shade

- " 24 (Sunday) hot thunderstorm and Rain last night 90
 - " 25 Finished thinning Swedes Drawing hay 90
 - " 26 Putting Paris green on Potatoes in Field 91 in shade
 - " 27 Drawing in hay 92 in shade Lots of thunder
 - " 28 Scuffling & started to thin soft Turnips in swamp 91 in shade
 - " 29 Rain in Forenoon. went to Jas Gerries Cooler
 - " 30 Finished mowing coling J. Williams here from Toronto Green Peas
- Aug 1 hay all Coled up. Warmer (2) Rain at Fergus with grist
- " 3 Finished haying a great crop all over the Country New Potatoes
 - " 4 Finished scuffling soft Turnips to Fergus for grist
 - " 5 Soft. Turnips all Thinned started Swede Second Time Rain D. Milnes Boys here Thinning
 - " 8 hot again. to Fergus to Blacksmith
 - " 9 very hot heavy Rain and thunder the most incessant (Lightning I ever saw
 - " 10 at Elora with wood & to A. Moirs hot and heavy rain Garden Party at school then another heavy shower
 - " 11 very warm Cleaning out Sheep Pen
 - " 12 Cooler Jas Brownlee here scuffling and hoeing
 - " 13 Mother & Lib to Fergus Cool " "

" 15 Finished Scuffling white Turnips 2nd time Cutting {Cutting} Wheat
 " 17 To Fergus got 500 Pig Chop. 200.2 in File and 29 yds carpet Pd Wm Frank
 " 18 hot again 90 in shade Cutting Wheat
 " 19 Finished Turnips 2nd time Lots of thunder
 " 20 Warm & dry Cutting Wheat & drawing in (22) Do Do {ditto} (23) Do {ditto}
 " 24 Wheat all cut. Started Peas warm Looking wet
 " 25 Rainy all Day (26) Light Showers Pulled some Peas
 " 27 Dry Stewart threshed Forenoon Tibbitt all day
 " 29 D Milne Threshing Cool {Cool} & Dry
 " 30 Peas all Pulled Heavy Rain at night
 " 31 Showery Started to Cut Oats. Cold
 September 1 hot at Smiths threshing all day
 " 2 D Milne cut upper field of Oats warm

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Sepr 3 Thompsons threshing fornoon wheat & Peas all in
 " 5 Rain last night & this forenoon cutting round o {...? page cut off}
 " 6 Jas Milne threshing fornoon. Raking wheat stubble
 " 7 Drawed in one field of oats. warm
 " 8 Helping D. Milne Drawing Stones & oats
 " 9 took hay to Fergus for D. Milne. Finished Cutting
 " 10 Rainy went To Fergus Potatoes Rotting
 " 12 Still Damp warm Weather lots of Grain {out? page cut off}
 " 13 A Tremendous downpour all afternoon
 " 15 digging drain. Pulling Peas for D. M. Thunder & Rain & {...? page cut off}
 " 16 " " " " " Pulled all his Peas
 " 17 Crop all in frosty morning and fine day hindered by {Rain? page cut off}
 " 19 & 20 Cool & dry. Drawing Peas at D Milnes

- " 21 laying tile. Smiths threshing Peas in Field. {R..? page cut off}
- " 22 Finished Laying tile Started to scrape earth from side of {page cut off}
- " 23 Scraping went to Belwood with chop
- " 24 went to {went to} Belwood for chop Started Gang Plow {Plowing - page cut off} very hot
- " 26 Finished Gang Plowing to Jas Gerries Funreal {Funeral}
- " 27 Finished Harrowing Started manure Cool
- " 28 & 29 Drawing manure. Fine Days
- " 30 " " ~~Finished~~ Grand Weather
- October 1 Finished manure. finest weather Could be for the G {...? page cut off}
- " 2 (Sunday) heavy frost at the W. Gerries
- " 3 Spreading manure and Plowing. Thunderstorm and {page cut off}
- " 4 Cold Some rain fixing Pig Pen
- " 5 heavy showers of Snow and very cold
- " 6 Fine threshing fair turnout Cut Peas Poor. heavy f {frost? page cut off}
- " 8 To Fergus with Grist & Chop Showery
- " 10 at Potatoes warm the worst Rot we ever had (11) Do Do {ditto} (12) Do Do {ditto} (13) Finished G {Great? cut off} weather
- " 14 Fine taking up carrots. {carrots} (15) to Fergus for Grist Still f {frosty? page cut off}
- " 17 Plowing & spreading manure. (18) To Belwood with Chop
- " 19 Finished Spreading manure and Plowing in

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- October 20 Plowing A {Agnes} walked to Fergus warm
- " 21 To Tom Milnes for waggon. Started Turnips
- " 22 Half Swedes Topped. 8 load of Soft ones in finished fencing (Pig Pen
- " 24 Harrowed half Swedes up Drawed 20 load Grand Day
- " 25 Drawing Turnips (26) Do {ditto} Showers of rain & Snow Cold
- " 26 Swedes all in 59 Load Cold but Dry (27) at Turnips
- " 28 Turnips all in 85 Loads Largest Crop we ever had

" 29 Drizzling rain all day

" 31 Fine Got litter of Pigs. 5 days after time helping D.M. with Turnips

November 1 helping D. Milne at Turnips in forenoon Plowing in the afternoon fine rain all day. A. {Agnes}
to Fergus

" 2 Rain all last night freezzing {freezing} as it fell. warm afternoon

" 3 Dull and Damp. (4) Rain & Flurries of Snow

" 5 Fine To Fergus with load of oats (7) Rain. Plowing

" 8 Smiths threshing high wind & cold

" 9 " Finished Frost. to Fergus with chop

" 10 8 inches of Snow fell last night. Sleighing Thanksgiving day. Hitched up Colt Dolly

" 11 Took Turnips to Murphy Weight of waggon 1020 took home chop

" 12 Took chop to Belwood with Sleigh D.Ms raising in afternoon

" 14 Light rain all day to Belwood for chop. To Fergus with chop

" 15 Mild. Showery. Stewart threshing

" 16 " " " Finished

" 17 Snow Clean gone Plowing Turnip land

" 18 Fine Plowed all Turnip land but 2 acres

" 19 Plowing sod showers of snow all day. Slight Frost

" 21 " " " " " " " "

" 22 to Belwood for Chop. to {took} Turnips to Stules in Fergus Snowy

" 24 D. Milne Thresing {Threshing} very Cold and raw Plows stopt

" 25 " " Finished at the north Barn

" 26 Took Ewes away. Murphy took Lambs

" 27. 28. 29 Raw east wind not much frost

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Novr 30 Thompsons Threshing fine

Decr 1 To Belwood to See Travelling Dairy Bright & cold

" 2 To Fergus with Grist. Grand Roads

" 3 " " for " with chop

" 5 Killing a Pig.. Helping J. Young to kill 2. Mild

" 6 J Milne threshing. Rainy

" 7 " Finished "

" 9 Fine to Fergus. Smooth roads

" 10 Showers of Snow. colder

" 12 Mild Tibbitts threshing

" 13 " " Finished. Christmas Fair. G {...? page cut off}

" 14 Rain last night Misty killed Pigs took steers to {...? page cut off}

" 15 Some Sleighing took Pigs to Fergus killed Pigs Stewarts

" 17 Still fine took Chop to Belwood

" 19 Colder Killing Pig at Thompsons

" 20 Very Cold to Belwood For Chop. To Ida Milnes we {...? page cut off}

" 21 " " To R. Bursoin the evening

" 22 Cold & stormy to Fergus in the afternoon

" 23 " " " A. {Agnes} to Fergus

" 24 4 below zero. Stormy to Grand valley looking For {...? cut off}

" 25 {Chary?} Calved very cold. A Gerrie & George Laird here & D. {...? page cut off}

" 26 Bright & cold. Municipal nomation {nomination}

" 28 " " Trustee Election (J. Black) A. {Agnes} & Children {...? page cut off}

" 29 Milder Fixing hinges at school & Chooping {Chopping} in {Swamp? page cut off}

" 30 Mild up to Tom Milnes. Meeting in Belwood in {page cut off}

" 31 very mild Sleighing getting worn out To Fergus {cut off} The last 6 weeks has been very steady Cold Dry {weather? page cut off}

1893

Jany 1 Mild. the heaviest fall of Snow this {season? page cut off}

" 2 very stormy the sideroads Blocked up. Muni {Municipal - page cut off} Polling. Elected to the Council the first time

" 3 Colder to Fergus for Black Dust

" 5 Cold & stormy. Killed 25 Pigs at Thompsons

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Jany 6 Took Load of hogs to Fergus for Thompsons \$7.75 Fine

" 7 To Grand valley for Load of wood Snowy

" 9 very stormy and cold roads Drifted

" 10 18 below zero high wind and drifting

" 11 Cold yet (12) Do. {ditto} (13) To Fergus Cold and Clear

" 14 To Grand valley for wood very cold Sow away Coldest for 30 yrs 28 Below zero

" 16 To Council meeting at Belwood. Took chop up

" 17 Killed 3 Pigs milder

" 18 to Sale at Bailey's Guelph Tp {Township} Snowy afternoon milder

" 19 Took 2 hogs to Fergus 374 @ 8.50 Bot {bought} 314 lbs Beef @ \$6.00

" 20 went to Fergus for Beef very fine (21) Pleasant

" 23 very Pleasant to W. Gerries in the evening

" 25 more snow yesterday. Drifting to Day. to see Eliza Johnston House of Industry

" 26 fine D Milne threshing in afternoon

" 27 " " " finished. to Mrs Robertsons funreal {funeral}

" 28 Some rain to Fergus getting Boots mended

" 29 The First thaw turning to Snow at night

" 30 Cold Cleaning wheat {right side of page} The coldest Jany Since 1857

" 31 " Killing Pigs a {at} D Milne's

Feb 1 fine (2) stormy to Fergus with Grist took home the last of 21 {Hundred?} B. Dust

" 3 to Fergus with Chop took home grist. Terrible storm Roads blocked. Trains stuck. worst this season

" 4 Fine but Sharp (5) Do Do {ditto} (6) Rain all day

" 7 at Bichan's Sale very Cold again and stormy

" 8 very stormy started to go to J. Moirs. Turned

" 9 Mild morning went to J. Moirs. heavy snow Evenig {Evening}

- " 10 Mild with heavy Snow fall. train stuck
- " 11 very fine. Council Meeting
- " 18 Still fine to Fergus for wood got some
- " 14 Inspecting Bridge on 1st Line. Thaw with Rain
- " 15 very fine moving John Chapman J. Smith Left for the States
- " 16 fine To Fergus (17) Cold & raw from the east to {Loving springs Even...?}

1893

Feb 18 stormy killing Pigs at John Richardsons in afternoon

- " 19 very stormy Roads Blocked Badly Snow Plow {c...? page cut off} up at night
- " 20 15 Below Zero. Stormy. Roads all Blocked no train all {Day? cut off}
- " 21 Some milder 7- roads opened. made butter mould
- " 22 fine Getting wood
- " 23 Fair day. Fine Nichol Mutual meeting
- " 24 Clear cold Townsends Sale Bot {Bought} Colt \$21.50 10 mos
- " 25 Cold to Fergus with Chop. Let Bridge on 1st line
- " 26 " Took D Small home
- " 27 Cold and stormy W. Raes. Sale
- " 28 Roads Badly blocked. no train all day

March 1 Cold and stormy no train yet. getting wood went to J Richardsons

- " 2 Bright & cold all day Train Passed at night
- " 3 & 4 Bright and cold
- " 5 (Sunday) very stormy railroad blocked again
- " 6 Fine track cleared {cleared} at night
- " 7 very Fine at Allans Sale Bot {Bought} Buggy 22.50
- " 8 " " (9) Thaw & rain all day
- " 10 Fine and Soft Snow Going
- " 11 Soft. Rain all afternoon. Council meeting H. {McD...cut off} appointed Treasurer

- " 12 Sunday Soft and Raw Jas Laing here
- " 13 " " " R. J. Williams Sale
- " 14 Soft and Raw Lots of water running
- " 15 Cold Snowing and Blowing
- " 16 To Fergus got Buggy (17) Maggie {Bure?} here
- " 18 Fine To Grand valley for wood Roads very Co {Cold? page cut off}
- " 20 Cold & Raw Saw first Robins
- " 21 Soft Moving D. Small
- " 22 To Grand valley for wood. Fine
- " 23 Soft Misty & raw Fergus Easter fair
- " 24 Warm Great thaw Killing Pigs at J. Richard {Richardson? page cut off}
- " 25 River Broke up. To Fergus with Grist

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March 27 Frosty again To Fergus with Chop

- " 28 Milder Killing Pigs at D. Milnes
 - " 29 Fine to Belwood with Chop
 - " 30 Snow storm Last night raw to day
 - " 31 Mild and a lot of Snow gone. Good Friday
- April 1 Good Thaw Lots of Snow went. to Ailsons for Peas
- " 3 Soft. But Raw misty and Some rain
 - " 4 Heavy thunder storm last night. Great Gale all day Lot of Snow gone wheels Running. Cold at night
 - " 5 Bright. Tapping trees for Jas. Milne. To Blacks for Buggy top
 - " 6 Snow Last night. Cold Last of cabbage R. Black here for oats Drawed home maple
 - " 8 To Fergus for Clover Seed high gale of wind. Buckland \$804 13 mo
 - " 10 " " " Oil. Killed Pig at D. Milnes. Tibbitts Plowin {Plowing - page cut off}
 - " 11 Raw and cold. Making Butter Prints

" 12 Cold Raining {Raining} forenoon. Started to Plow sod after one the hardest Winters this last 30 years. hard frost day after day and heavy snowfall. noted for the high Price of Pork reaching \$9.00 in Elora. and the low Price of grain

" 13 heavy rain last night high Wind to day

" 14 Cool. drier. drawing sones {stones?} forenoon Plowing afternoon

" 15 Council Meeting 5 inches Snow fall Last night. to Belwood with Sleigh

" 17. 18 & 19 Cold Raw winds mostly east Some of last Saturdays snow still Seen. Plowing Stubble & Sawing wood

" 20 Cold. Hail. Rain & Snow with high wind unroofing Buildings

" 21 3 inches of snow fell and Lay all day. got Curtains Buggy

" 22 Cold. Snowny {Snowy}. dirty. disagreeable day. Let culvert to J. White

" 24 at Fergus to {P. Dows?} to see McWhirter Cold and windy

" 26 Moving W. Gerrie Got 650 Chop from Semple very Cold

" 27 rain in fore noon. Looking at Culverts Sold Cattle

" 28 To Fergus for Lumber. Drier

" 29 Fine Plowing all day to Fergus at night to see McWhirter the month ended and not a grain Sowed

{sideways on left side of page - cut of on top of writing} There was 11 inch more Rain fell {illegible words - page cut off} Besides snow

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May 1 Drizzling mist all day E. Johnstons Funreal {Funeral}

" 2 warmer Plowing sod

" 3 Sowing oats latest since 85 Swallows Seen

" 4 Blustery showery day. Laying Foundation of fence

" 5 Building fence Cold & raw

" 6 Took Cattle away 2600 2 @ \$120.00 Cold

" 8 Finished fence. (9) Plowing Fine and warm

" 10 Sowing Peas & oats very warm

" 11 To Fergus with Chop Paying notes to H Burns. {W..? cut off scan}

" 12 Harrowing & Plowing (13) sowing wheat rain at nig {night}

" 14 Sow Pigged Cold & damp

" 15 warm Sowing Grass seed. Plowing moving fence

" 16 very heavy Cold rain from the north

" 17 Cold and drizzling all Day (18) Finished Plowing Sod

" 19 heavy frost in the morning Sowing oats

" 20 Fine and warm J.G. Born {Forbes' son James}

" 22 Frost Finished Sowing Grain. young Cattle out {o..? cut off scan}

" 23 Plowing for & cutting Potatoes Terrible high wind & Rain

" 24 Plowing & drilling for Potatoes on Track fine but Cool

" 25 at Fergus Cold Some rain

" 26 Court of Revision Showers finished sowing g {grain? cut off scan}

" 27 Planted 43 {?} Bushels Potatoes on Track Showers

" 28 Wild Plums in Bloom. Trees getting in Leaf Been a Cold wet Spring 11 inches more Rain this month than the average of 40 yrs. Besides {?} cut off scan}

" 29 Seeing Wilson to fix Bridge Plowing & Drilling for Potatoes Jno {John} Gerrie Cutting Pota {Potatoes? cut off scan}

" 30 Planted 12 Bu acre Potatoes. voting on Local option Carried by maj {Majority? cut off}

" 31 Sowed Carrotts {Carrots}. Corn. Bean. Planted Tomatoes. warmer frosty

June 1 & 2 fixing and Building Fences

" 3 Tremendous Storm of rain Doing Great Dam {Damage? page cut off} More rain fell in the same time than for 26 yr when we had worse on the 7th of June 1867

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June 5 To Fergus for Grist rain in the evening

" 6 up north looking at the roads warm

" 7 To Fergus at John Gerries Sale

" 8 " " moving " " Things up here

" 9 Plowing and washing Sheep

" 10 Finished Plowing Turnip Land. Heavy Rain at night

" 12 Harrowing Potatoes. To Reform meeting in Fergus

" 13 Drilling & Sowing Turnips very warm

" 14 " " " To Belwood at Gravel Letting

" 15 Sowing Turnips Some Rain

" 16 To Belwood Council meeting. Turnips all Sowed

" 17 To Let Bridge at Shands to fergus got Cabbage an {and?} Planted them

" 19 Started to Ottawa to Libreal {Liberal} Convention hot

" 20 & 21 at Otawa {Ottawa} at Convention very hot Rain 21st

" 22 Came home from Ottawa. warm and misty

" 23 Letting Road Jobs in Blacks (North) Division

" 24 " " " ~~Hand(rsons)~~ {?} (West) Rain

" 26 " " " Dix's (South) Showers

" 27 To Fergus with hay Rain

" 28 Scuffling Potatoes. Hot. Peas in Bloom

" 29 John Wrights Raising. Hot. Heavy Rain

" 30 " " " taking Job of {Platts?} Hands

July 1 hoeing Potatoes. Scuffling turnips

" 3 Road work. Letting Jobs in my own Division. Cool

" 4 " " Finished Cutting thistles. warmer

" 5 Rain To Fergus with Hay (7. 8) Scuffling & Hoeing Turnips

" 10 Hoeing Potatoes & corn (11) Thinning Turnips

" 12 Rain to Fergus with Straw oats to armstrong

" 13 Rain to Lot 20 - 3 Con Letting Gravel hot

" 14 Moulding potatoes thinning turnips

" 15 Rain. Down to School house Hot

" 17 Picking Potato Beetls {Beetles}. To Belwood with mower Fixing

1893 == == 70

July 18 Started Haying mowing odd corners

" 20 mowing Clover (21) mowing Timothy

" 22 Drawing in no rain all week and Cool

" 24 Mowing. Broke to Belwood for repairs Hot Frost

" 25 all in that is Cut without rain. Hot and windy

" 26 Mowing Windy (27) Mowing and Drawing in & Col {Cold ? cut off}

" 28 Finished mowing. Rain at night. Frost

" 29 Inspecting Road jobs. all Hay Coled up. Drawing in

" 30 Quite warm at W. Gerries

" 31 Finished Haying Earliest Since 1888 very heavy Crop

August 2 To Fergus with Grist. very dry and hot Cleaning

" 4 To Fergus for grist Did not Get it - Water too Low. New Pota {Potatoes - cut off}

" 5 at Turnips Looked like rain all day but did {did not? cut off}

" 7 Dry and warm. hoeing turnips

" 8 To Fergus for Grist Started to Clean out big {..? cut off} {Bob Richardson {..? cut off}}

" 9 Scraping and Digging in ditch harvest fairly stor {stormy? cut off}

" 10 Digging in by Ditch. Browns Raising afternoon

" 11 Scraping D. Milnes Team Rain afternoon

" 12 " " " {illegible?} in afternoon fini scrap {finished scraping? - cut off}

" 14 Digging in by Ditch had two Section men

" 15 To Belwood Council Meeting frost Last nig {night - cut off}

" 16 Finished Ditch. Started to Pull Peas to Fergus

" 17 Threshing D Milne Fornoon {Forenoon}. Stewart afternoon

" 18 Pulling Peas heavy Rain

" 19 Grano & Lile to Nichol. Rain warm

" 21 - 22 Pulling Peas warm

" 23 Finished Peas. Drawing out stumps in swa {swamp}

" 24 Fixing Spring. D Milne Threshing

" 25 Drawing in Peas. Hot needing rain Badly

" 26 Peas all in. Started to Cut Oats

" 28 Cutting Oats Rain all night. The Greatest {...? cut off}

" 29 Wet and Cool. To Fergus

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August 30 Finished Cutting First Field of oats Cool

" 31 McAinch Threshing all Day

September 1 Cutting Wheat (2) Do Do {ditto} Dry and Cooler

" 4 Cutting and Drawing Oats first Cabbage

" 5 Raking Drawing & Cutting Oats very Cool

" 6 Cutting tieing & Stooking oats " "

" 8 A. Walker here Cutting & Drawing wheat

" 9 Raking. Drawing Oats (11) Colin Stewart here Drawing in

" 12 Wm Thompson here Oats all Cut

" 13 Oats all in very Dry (14) Gang Plowing & Drawing wheat

" 15 Finished Gang Plowing at Mrs Broadfoots Funreal {Funeral}

" 16 heavy rain last night. Children all Bad with Whooping Cough

" 18 heavy rain all morning (19) To Jas Laings

" 20 Finished Cutting Wheat. To Mr Denchs Funreal {Funeral}

" 21 To Jas Laings for a fat Sheep

" 23 To Thompsons threshing. Crop all in

" 25 Threshing fair turn out except Peas. Cool

" 26 To Fergus with chop (27) Taking wood from swamp

" 28 Drawing out manure Cool

" 29 " " " at Belwood Show warm

" 30 Drawing manure fine. Water Scarce

October 2 Drawing Manure warm (3) Do Do {ditto}

" 4 finished Manure heavy rain last night. up inspecting Road Jobs took timber home

" 5 Lifting Potatoes (6) Do Do {ditto} Rain (7) Do Do {ditto}

" 9 Finised {Finished} Potatoes. Middling Crop Dry & Windy " 10 Spreading & Plowing in Manure To Fergus in evening

" 11 McAinish Threshing very hot & Dry

" 12 " " Finished took Jas Gerries stuff to Fergus

" 13 Spreading Plowing in Manure

" 14 Heavy Rain all day and Cold Snow at night

" 16 Plowing in manure. A. Moir here. To Loutitts Sale

" 17 " " " Frost morn Pleasant day

1893

October 18 Finised {Finished} Plowing in manure Pleasant

" 20 Fine Went to Grand valley show

" 21 Still fine. took Grist to Fergus

" 23 Started to take in Turnips. fine

" 24-25-26 finished Fair Crop. 55 Loads. Rain in the afternoon

" 27 To Fergus for Grist. Went up to J Griffins

" 28 Rain Forenoon. Helping Thompsons afternoon 2 inches sn {Snow? cut off}

" 30 Cold & Raw all day Plowing Drawing Turnips {..cut off?}

" 31 very hard frost in morning. at D Milnes with Te {Team? cut off}

November 1 very fine helping. D. Milne with Turnips all day

" 2 to Fergus with Chop (Hogs) rain at night

" 3 up to Lot 20 on 2nd in morn. to Belwood with Chop

" 4 Plowing Fine weather with frosty nights

" 6 Plowing all day to Belwood for chop (Horses)

" 7 Plowing Still Fine (8) Plowing on track started sod

" 9 Stewart threshing in afternoon very fine

" 10 " " finished "

" 11 Misty. Tebbitt Threshing finished

" 13 rainy finished upper sod. Killing Pigs at D Milne afterno {afternoon}

" 14 Council Meeting Snowing

" 15 Snowing Rough and blustery all day

" 16 about a foot of Snow has fallen. Sleighing

" 17 up to Emerys Seeing ditch. Drawing wood

" 18 Milder to Fergus with grist and chop

" 20 to Fergus for grist did not Get it Raw

" 21 Killed a pig. Snowy evening

" 23 Thanksgiving day took Turnips to John Brough. to Church

" 24 very stormy Wm Hannas Raising {Drying?} Shed

" 25 Jas Milne Threshing. Reform meeting Belwood

" 27 Took Lambs to Jas Laings Rain all Day

" 28 Thompsons Threshing. Finished. Snown {snow} Blusting

" 29 D. Milne " " Snow Good sleighing

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November 30 Killing a Pig & sheep at Stewarts Snowing

December 1 at Luther for wood Snowing and cold

" 2 Helping J. Young to Kill a Pig Drawing wood Swamp

" 3 (Sunday) Heavy Snow Last night Drifting all day

" 4 Reform Convention in Fergus Craig Chosen {Chosen}

" 5 To Luther for wood fine

" 6 Stormy Ewes Away

" 7 Stormy & Cold To Luther for wood

" 8 Milder to J. Gerries in forenoon. Flewellings in afternoon

" 9 Soft. To Fergus with Chop

" 11 Fair till night then very rough

" 12 Christmas fair day (Fergus) Fine

" 13 Bright & Clear. Cold

" 14 Started for wood & Turned Stormy from the East all day

" 15 Council meeting. Rain all day freezing as it fell

" 16 Snow & Blowing Went to Fergus J. Gerrie with me

" 18 Cold & Snowing (19) Tormendous {Tremendous} Blow filling up Roads

" 20 Clear & Cold went up to Haleys Sale

" 22 Municipal Nomination. Rain Nearly all day

" 23 Fine and Sunny Snow going fast

" 24 Misty. Soft. A good deal of rain

" 25 River broke up heavy rain. Great Flool {Flood} Sow away

" 26 Froze up again Killed 5 Pigs

" 27 School meeting Six trustee Took Pork to Fergus \$6.10

" 28 Snow in forenoon Rain afternoon

" 29 Moderate making Butter workers

" 30 Fine to fergus with Chop Horses

" 31 Fine (Sunday) Wm Murphys funreal {funeral}

1894

Jany 1 Fine. Municipal Election Elected 2nd time

" 2 very Fine and Sunny. To Fergus

" 3 " " " " helping Stewart to Shingle

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Jany 4 Rain. Soft. Sleighing gone helping Thompson Kil {Kill} Pigs

" 5 Mild Snowing sleighing again

" 6 Snowy all day. A. {Agnes} To Fergus

" 8 To Luther for wood. Thompson along

" 9 " " " " Jas. Milnes Team along R. {...? cut off}

" 10 To Essons Sale & Jas. Gerries

" 11 Helping D Small to draw hay Stormy

" 12 Roads Drifted Stormy

" 13 Fine. Drawing wood from Swamp & Cutting

" 14 (Sunday) very fine to Wm Gerries

" 15 Council Meeting rain all day

" 16 {* in left column} Mild Moving Wm Gerrie to G.T.R. station So aw {Sow away - page cut off}

" 17 slight frost. finished " " " " "

" 18 Rainy. Killing Pigs for Thompsons Sleighing Gon {Gone - cut off}

" 19 - 20 Fine Clear and Sunny (21) rainy soft

" 22 Clear. Fine. Cleaning up grain

" 23 " " " " " Killing a Pig to D. {Milne? cut off}

" 24 rain in morning Drifting at night Cleaning grain

" 25 Took grist to fergus (26) Took home Dust

" 27 Clear and Sunny To Fergus with A. {Agnes}

" 29 Making Butter Board Snowy

" 30 To Fergus for Grist and Dust Stormy

" 31 Killed 2 Pigs fine & mild

Feby 1 Drawing wood from Swamp. Cold and Snowy

" 2 Fine Cold Sawing Stumps

" 3 Cold Seeing Jas Hamilton about timber & {Road? cut off}

" 5 " Funreal {Funeral} of John Young's Child. {Robert?} {got? cut off}

" 6 very warm. (7) Don {Done} Drawing slabs for J. Gerrie

" 8 warm to Fergus for chop Sleighing gone wheels {running? cut off}

" 9 Soft Snow. heavy Rain and thunderstorm at nig {night - cut off}

" 10 Mild but Snowing and drifting all day {wild?}

" 11 Stormy in morning

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Feb 12 Council meeting The worst Genral {General} Drift for years from the North East. Roads filled right up

" 13 Faired up breaking a road through the Fields

" 14 very fine Jas Richardsons sale

" 15 Cold Making Butter workrs {workers?} To Wm Thompsons at night

" 16 More Soft Snow good sleighing again

" 17 to Fergus with old Stove got meal

" 19 fixing Cutter and sawing wood

" 20 at Thos Drydend Sale bot {bought} Slegh {Sleigh} 13.25 10 mos

" 21 Cold at Jas Laings

" 22 Stormy at pattons meeting Living Springs

" 23 - 24 Coldest of the Season 30 below zero Quiet

" 26 Cold went to Fergus

" 27 Killing a pig (28) Moving Jas Richardson to Elora Fine

March 1 To Fergus With D. Milnes Mild

" 2 very soft Snow going fast with Sun wheels running

" 3 Drawing Sand for J Richardson Sleighing gone

" 5 Killing Pigs for John Richardson very warm Snow nearly gone River broke up

" 6 Soft 7 heavy rain all afternoon & evening

" 7 To Fergus for Grist. Took Down Chop

" 8 To Fergus for Chop still soft & fine

" 10 Took Horse Chop to Fergus very fine

" 12 finised {finished} 2 Butter workers warm

" 13 Easter Fair. Took down grist Rain & Snow

" 14 Cold and Raw (15) Frosty and Snow

" 16 Fine Snow gone

" 17 To Fergus. warmer Rainy

" 18 very warm 70 Rain at night (Sunday)

" 19 very fair day Cordwood down River

" 20 Moving David Small to 6th Line Roads Bad

" 21 Cold. Raining at night frost

1894 == == 84

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March 22 Rainy & cold Richardsons River men here

" 23 good friday Cold & snowing

" 24 high wind Rain and Snow to Fergus with ch {chop}

" 26 Easter Monday very Cold down to above zero {..cut off}

" 27 Drawing wood from J Richardsons Bush Cold

" 28-29-30 Do {ditto} Fine Clear and Frosty

" 31 To Fergus for Chop Milder

April 2 very frosty. Drawing wood home

" 3 & 4 Milder but raw

" 5 To Fergus for Grist & Salt & Peas Light {... page cut off}

" 7 To Council Meeting Clear and Frosty

" 9 Very hard frost. up to ditch at S. William {on side of page and cut off - Wet H... Plo...?}

" 10 Heavy snow storm Drifts 5 ft deep

" 11 Drawing wood with Sleigh all day

" 12 Fine. Snow going. McBean Drawing sand wood

" 13 " Helping A. Burns to take down Halfway {s...? cut off}

" 14 Working in Shop Genral {General?} Linking

" 16 Digging out and putting in Culvert on Concession {Lea..? cut off scan}

" 17 Finished Culvert. Started Plowing the Pass winter has been rather Peculiar up to new year it was very stormy. January hardly any Sleighing Feby good Sleighing and Generally Mild. 3rd March Snow gone March 21st Some People Plowing & {Sowing? cut off} then Cold & frosty till now 50 inches of Snow {... page cut off}

" 18 Finished Gang plowing Turnip land Dry

" 19 Sowing Wheat (20) light rain Swallow

" 21 Plowing and Sowing Grass Seed Cooler

- " 23 Finished Sowing Grass seed Harrowing for oats
- " 24 Sowing Oats (25 & 26) plowing Sod Dry & {..? cut off scan}
- " 27 Plowing Sod still warm
- " 28 Splendid Rain warm To Fergus
- " 30 Finished Plowing Sod very hot 80 in sh {shade? cut off scan}

1894 == == 85

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May 1 Finished Sowing. 2 days Earlier than started last year

- " 2 Planted 2 Bush {Bushels?} Potatoes, Cut, above Track Sow Served Cold
- " 3 To Fergus with Chop. Got Stove
- " 5 Harrowing for Roots. Thunder & Rain at night Wild Plums in Bloom 21 days ahead of last yr
- " 7 Plowing & Drilling for mangolds very high wind
- " 8 Sowing mangolds. high wind & cool. with frost
- " 9 Helping Jas Black Sowing Flax 45 acres
- " 10 & 11 Helping Aggie to Whitewash fine
- " 12 Picking Stone of hay land Trees well out in leaf
- " 14 Slight rain and cold. Frost at night
- " 15 Finished Stones. young cattle out all night
- " 16 Plowing for Potatoes. Putting in Posts
- " 17 Grand Rain last night. Picking Potatoes
- " 18 Damp all day and Cooler
- " 19 Drizzling rain all day and Cold
- " 20 Rain (21 Do {ditto} To see the Reeve then to Fergus Sold Potatoes
- " 22 Rain (23) Do {ditto} to Fergus with Potatoes Sow Away
- " 24 Rain. Cutting Potatoes
- " 25 Court of Revision. Very Heavy rain & Hail
- " 26 Cattle away 2680 @ 4 cts letting Ditch & Gravel

" 28 Heavy Frost. Showers of Snow Drilling for Potatoes funreal {funeral} of Miss Stacey

" 29 Very hard frost ice 6 in thick Shower of hail helping John Richardson with foundation and letting Jobs for Ransom 5th Line

" 30 over to See Ransom. Drilling. Building Gaps

" 31 Planted Potatoes 1 acre 15 1/2 Bu Rain in evenig {evening} 2 Drills. O.40 {Eleph?}. 25 {illegible} 1 {Eleph} 10 hrs

June 1 up at Peel Townline to Meet McGowan about Ditch

" 2 Rainy over to Ransoms in the mornig {morning} to Fergus after

" 3 (Sunday) Mrs Shortreeds Funereal {Funeral} Thunder & Rain

" 4 Samuel Williams Funreal {Funeral} meeting in Belwood Rain

" 5 Heavy frost Cold all day Plowing

" 6 Plowing in Forenoon to Orange Picnic in afternoon on 8th Line

" 7 warm Finished Plowing for Turnips & corn

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June 8 Planted Beans. Sowed Carrotts {Carrots} & Corn. Harrowin {Harrowing}

" 9 Sowed feed Corn. Drilling and Sowing Turnips Up to Culvert on Nichol townline. very warm & {f..? cut off scan}

" 11 Examining Culvert near Williams to Meeting a {at?} L. {sp..? cut off scan} washing Sheep

" 12 Sowing Turnips very warm

" 13 To A. Moirs Nichol warmest yet. 90

" 14 Clipping Sheep hot up to Colling {drege's?} {illegible - page cut off} Dit {Ditch? cut off scan}

" 15 finished Sowing Turnips & planted Cabbag {Cabbage}

" 16 Scuffling mangolds at Gravel letting

" 17 Still Hot Jno. {John} Moir here Thunder Storm at n {night}

" 18 To Fergus for tile for Mitchells hill Thunder & rain

" 19 Drizzling. Nomination Day Craig. Park & Hampton

" 20 With Surveyor to Hamiltons Swamp hot 90

" 21 Putting Sleepers on Richardsons (Jno) {John} Barn {... page cut off}

" 22 Cutting Thistles. Seeing drain on Mitchells hill {Day in B..? cut off}

" 23 Council Meeting Hot. Let Race Bridge

" 25 Hoeing mangolds Seeing ditch Culling dug

" 26 Polling Returning office No 2 Craig Elected 65

" 27 at Mangolds hot

" 28 Letting Jobs on hendersons division

" 29 Finished thinning mangolds Got spreader for gra {gravel? cut off scan}

" 30 Scuffling turnips. Grading Road work

July 2 Thinning Turnips. Road work drawing Gra {Gravel? - page cut off} Thunder & Heavy Rain

" 3 Cooler Finished Road work

" 4 to Fergus getting waggon Fixed Declaration day

" 5 & 6 very Cool some frost

" 7 Drawing stones for D Milne Putting up {bil...? cut off scan} Road Jobs

" 9 Moulding potatoes letting Jobs on Roads

" 10 Finished " Do {ditto} Turnips first time & thinn {thinning}

" 12 Warmer Putting Green on potatoes on {cut off scan}

" 13 hot To Fergus with Straw & oats

" 14 To Living Springs Letting Bridge {mangels?}

1894 == == 87

July 16 to Belwod {Belwood} to McCarthy meeting Started Haying

" 17 hot mowing & Coling hay

" 18 very hot at John Richardsons Raising

" 19 hottest day yet 96 in Shade. Putting P Green on Potatoes

" 20 Cooler Drawing in hay Rain at night

" 21 Cool. Scuffling Mowing & Coling Sow away

" 23 Mowing Coling. Rain at night Green Peas

" 24 The Heaviest rain Since Snow went & Thunder

" 25 Cutting thistles. George McBains Funreal {Funeral}

" 26 Warm again. Mowing & drawing in

" 27 hot again mowing Coling & Drawing in

" 28 " " " " " New Potatoes

" 30 Pleasant Finishe {Finished} haying

" 31 Finished Scuffling Turnips Last time

August 1 Cutting Thistles in Pasture field

" 2 Down Seeing School Black Boards Rain in morn {morning}

" 3 Finished Cleaning Turnips A {Agnes} to Fergus

" 4 Cutting Grass in Big Ditch went to Fergus in even {evening} Frost

" 6 Drawing wood from Swamp

" 7 Cutting Timothy for Thompsons & D Milne Started harvest Cutting wheat

" 8-9-10 Cuting {Cutting} wheat Warm

" 13 To Fergus with Sheep (14) Drawing wheat Rain

" 15 Council meeting. Finished Cutting wheat

" 16 Pulling peas. Drawing wheat

" 17 " " " "

" 18 Wheat all in Peas all Pulled. at Eramosa townline

" 20 Peas all in. Started to Cut oats

" 21 helping D. Milne to Draw in Frost

" 22 Cutting Oats. Very Dry Pasture Burnt up

" 23 " " (24) Finished above track Dry & Smoky

" 25 Cutting Oats Below Track

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August 27 Finished Cutting very Dry and Smoky Lots of fir {fires ? cut off}

" 28 James Raes funreal {funeral}

" 29 McBains Raising Some rain

" 30 Tibbits Threshing hot and Dry W. Thomson

" 31 D. Milne threshing

Sept 1 Crop all in Small Bulk

" 3 very hot 90 in shade Digging in Ditch

" 4 Fighting Fire on Third line. Slight rain

" 5 Digging Ditch finished Municipal Part

" 6 Threshing Steam. D. McDonalds finished in {t..? cut off} Lightest Crop we ever had. fair turn out to {...? cut off}

" 7 Stewart threshing (8) S. finished fine rain {la..? cut off}

" 10-11-12 Digging in Ditch

" 13 Rennie Threshing. Some rain

" 14 To Salem for Flour (17) finished upper end {g...? cut off}

" 18 Choring & Fixing Buggy Bottom

" 19 Started to draw out manure

" 20 rain helping D Milne move the Halfway Forenoon. Thompson {..? cut off} afternoon

" 21 Thompson Finished Threshing

" 22 McIlroid Threshing rain at night

" 24 Drawing Manure. Helping D Milne move to Halfway

" 25-26 Drawing manure. heavy frost

" 27 Hot. finished drawing manure 68 Loads to Fergus

" 28 To Belwood show. Beautiful day

October 1 Finished Cleaning out ditch a {at} low end

" 2 To Fergus for 4 sheep. Paid Insurance heavy rain

" 4 Started to plow in manure Cold

" 6 To Belwood Meeting to Select Delegates to Conven {Convention}

" 8-9 Plowing in Manure. Cold & raw

" 10 Finished Plowing Manure Started to Potatoes

" 11 To Fergus with Chop and to Convention Semple Cho {Chosen? cut off}

" 12 Potatoes (13) Do {ditto} Rain up to Living Spring brigde {bridge}

1894 == == 89

October 15 Great frost up to Culvert on 4th Line at Potatoes "

16 warmer all Potatoes up in the Field

" 17 Potatoes all Finished Started Mangold

" 18 very Fine. Finished mangolds Good Crop

" 19 Warm For Season to Grand valley Show

" 20 To Belwood For Flooring. taking up Carrotts {Carrots}

" 22 very warm Saw Children at Turnips barefooted working in Swamp

" 23 Plowing very fine Rain at night

" 24 Started Turnips Topping. Harrowing & Drawing in

" 25 & 26 Grand weather Busy at Turnips

" 27 Finished Turnips Fair Crop 42 Loads Turnips 14 Mangolds

" 29 Still fine Plowing Dry

" 30 Rainy all Day killed a Pig at Jas Milnes

" 31 Tibbitt Threshing Cleared up Cold

November 1 Plowing. Damp (2)(3) Plowing Finished in stuble below Track with Ransom to 3rd Line (2)
{Dolly?} Calf

" 5 Plowing up some that was seeded to grass above track Cold

" 7 To Fergus frosty J. B. {Amos?}

" 8 up to Duckworths Lynn and Living Springs Bridge

" 9 Council Meeting very Cold & snowing

" 10 Helping D. Milne with Culvert. Plowing stopt {stopped} By Frost {between lines - 11.00 Pigs?}

" 12 Putting new floor in kitchen 12 below freezing

" 13 " " " " And to Fergus with Sleigh hitched Dandy

" 14-15 " " " Milder

" 16 Finished floor Plows going again Some Rain

" 17 Plowing all day Colder

" 19 Plowing stopt again very Frosty

" 20 Drawing wood from Swamp

" 21 " " " Mild & warmer

" 22 Thanksgiving day Thaw

" 23 rd Plowing again

" 24 " " very Snowing in the afternoon

" 26-27 Cold But little Snow Killed Pig at Youngs 26

1894 == == {90}

Novr 29 Cleaning up Wheat Crisp and Clear Ewes with R {Ram? - cut off}

" 30 Finished " " Mild

December 1 Cutting wood in Swamp soft. still Dry. Drawing w {wood? - cut off}

" 3 To Salem for Flour. Cold Fine

" 4 D. Milne Threshing (5) Finished to Belwood

" 6 Cutting wood to Chapmans Grand weather Dry

" 7 Taking wood from Swamp. Still Drawing water

" 8 Rainy trimming Turnips

" 10 Heavy Mist all day To Fergus with Load of Turnips

" 11 Rainy. Christmas fair. To Fergus helping J. J. with B {...? cut off}

" 12 Rain all day (13) Some Snow but Mild

" 14 Took load of wood from swamp very fine {...? cut off}

" 15 Extra Fine. People this 2 days. Council Meeting

" 16 Blossom Calf

" 17 Plowing Sod South Field. Showers of snow

" 18 Frosty again killing a Pig at J. Milnes

" 20 very fine to Fergus Paid Dryden & Jas

" 21 Seeing Culvert on 1st Line Lot 19 & McDermotts Hou {House - cut off}

" 22 Still extra fine no snow Clear and Sunny

" 24 Mild Slight Snow in afternoon

" 25 Colder. Drawing wood from Swamp Jas. J. Here

" 26 School Meeting Elected Trustee for 3rd Time

" 27 Judge Raising Dominion Lists in Belwood Cold

" 28 very Cold Below Zero but quiet Killing {Pig? slightly cut off}

" 29 Cold yet A. {Agnes} Walked to Fergus

" 31 Nomination (Municipal) Ransom & Broadfoot Henderson Deputy (accl) {acclaimed} Black. {Dix?} Moir. McLel {McLellan? cut off} Council. The year ended Cold Dry & no Sleigh {Sleighbg - cut off}

1895 Jany

" 1 Some stormy. Drawing wood from Swamp

" 2 went to Fergus with Stewart with Potatoes

" 3 Milder Sawing wood (4) Drawing ties off Track

" 5 to Fergus Snowing almost sleighing

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Jany 7 very mild Municipal Polling Ransom. {Rune?} Moir {Dix?} & McLellan Council. Henderson Dpy {Deputy} by acclamation

" 8 To Fergus. Cold & Stormy

" 9 Clear and Sharp To Allison's in evening

" 10 Stormy. Hail & Snow all day (11) Sleighbg

" 12 To Fergus with Chop got Salt. Good sleighbg

" 13 (Sunday) very Stormy to church Grand Sermon J.B.M Luke 10-40 2nd clause

" 14 Stormy Day To Fergus for Chop (Cattle)

" 15 Fine. Killing Pigs at Thompsons 20

" 16 Cold. fine to fergus with chop at Bridge 1st Line

" 17 Fine Fair Day to Fergus for chop (Horses)

" 18 A. Moir & Sarah here very heavy Fall of Snow

" 19 Beautiful Clear day. Children to Stewarts

" 21 Council Meeting heavy Rain all day. A. {Agnes} To Jas Gerries

" 22 Stormy Blowing Roads Blocked C Culls Sale Did not get there

" 23 " " " " Badly not Cold

" 24 Breaking Roads through the Fields

" 25 Very Fine J. Elgie's Bee Drawing Brick For Culls House

" 26 Stormy again (27) Sunday Still Stormy

" 28 6 Below Zero Calm Roads Badly Blocked. No Train

" 30 Cold Killed 6 Pigs at Jno {John} Richardsons at Mrs Clarks fun {funeral? cut off}

" 31 Drawing wood off the {Con? - Concession?} Jas & Mrs Gerrie here

Feb 1 Finished " Still Cold

" 2 Cleaning oats for Fergus got meal & Plank

" 4 Cold Clear (5) Clear and Cold 18 Below Zero

" 6 very Cold But quiet 30 Below

" 7 Still the Cold spell 15 Below {Sow away - crossed out}

" 8 12 Below a high gale Great Drifting Train stuck

" 9 Milder but fierce drift. No teams going. no Train

" 11 Roads broke again to salem for Flour Train through

" 12 Council Meeting. Mild & Clear

" 13 To Fergus {JW - above line} took Potatoes to Jno {John} {Brough?}

1895 == == 92

Feb 14-15-16 Fine days but Roads Bad with Pitch holes

" 18 To Fergus Getting {Rench?} of Sleigh mended

" 19 " " Down River. Got Chop (Horses) Drifting Mild

" 20 Fine Cutting wood. made new Road to River

" 21 heavy Drifting Train stuck again

" 22 Cold Drifting Letting Bridge on 2nd Line for {Bogh..? cut off}

" 23 Fine again to fergus meeting Nichol Council

" 25 mild morn. {morning} Drifty after to Luther For wood Heavy r {...? cut off}

" 26 Beautiful Day. Sow Served

" 27 Sunny mild. Decidedly a thaw

" 28 Thaw. Soft & Misty all day Roads Soft

March 1 Soft Forenoon. Lots of Snow gone. Froze up at night

- " 2 Frosty Bright & Sunny
- " 4 A Snow storm from the north with high wind & cold
- " 5 Clear & Bright. Putting on 2 Loads of hay Straw Young helping
- " 6 Took 2 Loads of hay to Guelph @ 9 & 9.25 Stewart took one {R...? cut off}
- " 8 Snowing & Drifting all day Mild
- " 9 To Luther for 2 Loads of wood. Thomphson {Thompson} took 1 Stormy and Bad R {Roads? cut off}
- " 11 To Fergus with Chop (Cattle) Cold
- " 13 To Luther for wood (Wilson's) Soft
- " 14 Moving A. Rae. Cold 15 below Great Drift last {night? cut off} Train Blo {Blocked? cut off scan}
- " 15 To Adam armstrongs Sale Milder
- " 16 To Luthr {Luther} for wood finished very cold
- " 18 Moving John Young to Barnetts
- " 19 To Mr Boys for Seed wheat
- " 20 With Reeve to Clerks sorting old Papers
- " 21 With Stewart moving Binder to Brockies Farm... {cut off} {sideways on right hand side of page - all this {these?} days fair But Cold north wind}
- " 22 Sawing wood & drawing Some from River
- " 23 With Load of Hay for Stewart Warm
- " 24 (Sunday) Real thaw Snow went Great
- " 25 lots of water running roads alot {almost?} impassible {impassible} river Flo {Flood - cut off}
- " 26 Froze up again Cold

1895 == == 93

March 27 To Salem for Flour Some more Snow

- " 28 with Stewart moving Thawing
- " 29-30 Cold winds but Sun melting Snow

April 1 Rain Last night Freezing as it Fell then snow

- " 2 Easter Fair Good sleighing took steer to W Brown
- " 3 Stewart moved Finally. Soft

" 4 very Soft Took Stewarts Colt to Fergus

" 5 Sleighing gone Some wheels running Got Chop Horses

" 6 Misty and some Robins rain. (7) Do Do {ditto}

" 8 River Broke up from Fergus to Belwood Killing Pig at J Milnes

" 9 Bright Clear and Fine

" 10 To Fergus With mare to vet. took wheels. Roads Fair Cold

" 11 To Fergus with G. Roy to see about Watsons Car

" 12 Good Friday. Watson Came Taking ties off Track. Rain

" 13 Sawing ties. took mare to vet in afternoon. Raw Some Plowing

" 15 " " to to see Bridge on 2nd

" 16-17. Warm spring weather

" 18 Fair day to Fergus got Grass seed. Watson Plowing

" 19 To Belwood helping Kennedy with Road {list?} Started Plowing after a short But very hard Winter only 2 days Soft till spring Came

" 20 Plowing and drawing ties & wood warm 75

" 22 Gang Plowing and Harrowing. Cool

" 23 First sowed Oats above house

" 24 sowing oats. sowed wheat

" 25 Sowing Sowed Grass seed & Peas

" 26 Sowing Oats. Below Track at Crossing

" 27 Rolling wheat & oats. To Fergus & Taylors to See about Flax

" 28 (Sunday) J. Milne here. Swallows

" 29 To Elora for Flax Seed. warm

" 30 Plowing Sod very hot 80 in Shade

May 1 Cooler very Dry. Rain very much needed used last Cabbage

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May 2 Plowing Sod the Hardest I ever Plowed

" 3 warm light Shower in the forenoon

" 4 very hot 84 finished Plowing for seed

" 6 Harrowing Sod hot. 89 yesterday

" 7 Still hot. Slight shower lots of Thunder. Sow {Sowing - page cut off} oats and Flax. Finished Sowing. Wild Plums in blo {bloom - page cut off} Trees in Leaf

" 8 hot. Finished harrowing

" 9 Rolling Oats and Flax on sod South Field

" 10 Picking Potatoes. to Fergus with Chop Cattle young Cattl {Cattle - page cut off} out all nig {night - page cut off}

" 11 Picking stones off Clover thunder Rain. Col {Cold - page cut off}

" 12 (Sunday) very Cold Snow last night ice on wat {water - page cut off} the thermometer done no higher than 35 all day

" 13 {in left column - the Frost} The heaviest frost last night I ever remember Growth was So far advanced oats Cut down Trees and Rubarb {Rhubarb} badly froze and grass very {... page cut off}

" 14 Cold & Snowing all day

" 15 Some warmer to Fergus with Load of hay {C..? cut off}

" 16 at D Milnes & Ransoms changing Potat {Potatoes - page cut off}

" 17 Cut and Planted 2 Bu Potatoes on Track

" 18 Picking stones. heavy rain all afternoon & night the most Rain that has fallen this {...? cut off}

" 19 Frost Cold Raw day. (20) Do Do {ditto}

" 20 Cold (21) another heavy frost 1/2 inch Ice Raw

" 22 Council Meeting Court of Revision. Warmer

" 23 warmer. Windy. no frost Last night

" 24 " Drawing ties & Picking stones Willie Burr h {here - page cut off}

" 25 Fine & warm Finished Picking stones

" 27 very Cold Letting the cutting of sand hill {out?} {B...? cut off}

" 28 Inspecting Damage done at Glenlamond Got {...? cut off}

" 29 Warmer - Ida Covey & John Gs wife here Plowing Pota {Potatoes - page cut off}

" 30 Drilling and Cutting Potatoes very warm 92 war {warm - page cut off}

" 31 " " " A {Agnes} to Fergus to Church hot

June 1 Planted Potatoes 14 Bush 1 acre hot & Dry

" 3 Plowing for Turnips

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Some Figures relating to the Census of 1911 regarding Line 1 West Garafraxa oldest Person Mrs Dench 90 yrs Largest Family Wm Shortreed 12 No of separate Holdings 90 no. Inhabited Houses 82 Inhabitants 331 (334) Non Res 8 Youngest Person John A. Hanna Estimated Fees \$54.55. Time occupied in actual work 11 1/2 No of Farms over 5 acres 68 Population of Fergus 1534 Elora 1097 there were 9322 Enumerators at work in the Dominion

Sept 10th Received \$ 45.00 on act. {account}

March 19th 1912 " Bal. 7.67 = Total \$52.67 {above line - 54 55} Ship \$1.88

{{piece of paper cut out and pasted to page} TOWN AND COUNTRY The census of 1911 shows that Canada has a rural population of 1,924,053 and an urban population of 1,289,441. The increase in the last ten years was 555,065 rural and 278,147 urban. These figures are {clipping cut off}}

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{{piece of paper cut out and pasted to page} CENSUS FOR SOUTH WELLINGTON

From an official source it is understood that the Dominion census enumeration for South Wellington will be about as follows:

Guelph City	15,100
Fergus Village	1,534
Elora Village	1,197
Erin Village	515
Nichol Township	1,322
Pilkington Township	1,203
Puslinch Township	2,737
Erin Township	3,157
Eramosa Township	2,488
Guelph Township	2,646
Total	32,459}

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1895

June 5 Rain all Forenoon Cooler

6 Plowing very Cold had mitts on

" Planted Corn Beans Sowed Carrots. Frost

7 Drilling and sowing turnips Planted Corn on Track

8 Warmer Took steer to Fergus

9 (Sunday) Jas Dix here very hot

10 Whitewashing. washed Sheep hot

11 Away with John McLellan looking at Roads

12 Plowing Turnip Land

13 To Salem For Flour visiting at Richardsons {Burts J?}

14 Finished Plowing Turnip Land. Drilling Do {ditto}

15 Finished Sowing Turnips. to Gravel Letting

17 clipping sheep hot. Drouth {Drought} Getting Serious

18 Building Lane Fence. Grasshoppers thick

19 " " " Finished Put Trough in Ditch

20 visiting J. Moirs & R. Stewarts

21 at {Alex?} Bremmers Raising hot

22 Doing some Road work. Light Rain

24 Roadwork Drawing Gravel

25 Council meeting hot

26 Finished Roadwork Thunder & a nice Shower

27 Fixing Culvert on Gravel. Putting in gate at swamp

28 Away with Reeve to Bridges. To Shaws Funreal {Funeral} Rain

29 Uncle Came here from Goderich

July 1 Dry Day Posting Bills

2 " " Scuffling Potatoes hanging Gate

3 Digging Drain up to Bridge Con 1 Lot 16

4 With R. Thompson to R Richardsons

5 Letting Jobs of Gravelling and ditching on 2nd & 3rd Lin {Line - page cut off}

6 To See Reeve. Drawing Earth to end Drain in Lane

8 Took Uncle to Station. Some Rain

9 high wind Cold. Levi & E Flewelling here for orders

1895

July 10 Frost. resowing Turnips sowing corn. Fros {Frost - page cut off}

11 To Fergus For Oil meal & c {line drawn across remainder of line} {illegible word cut off}

12 Painting a very fine Shower scffling {scuffling} Turn {Turnips - page cut off}

13 " very Like Rain but none came S Fro {...? cut off}

15 Started to Cut hay Rainy afternoon

16 hoeing Potatoes & Corn Killed a Pig

17 Mowing. Coling up to See Ditch of P. Clark

18 " " to Belwood saw first stooks {swing?} at Will {...? cut off}

19-20 Cutting Raking & Drawing hay

22 Pulling {Putting} Paris Green on Potatoes. Cloudy & co {cold? cut off}

23 Finished Cutting hay very Light Crop

24 hay all in. Drawing wood from swamp

25 To Nichol to A Moir's Signs but not much rain

26 Drawing wood to C. Vroomans Raining in afternoon

27 rain all Forenoon. {Seeing?} Bridges and to Fer {Fergus? cut off}

29 Seeing. D. Watsons ditch. Slight Rain

30 Heavy Rain Last night. Cold. Started to pull F {Flax? cut off}

31 very high wind all day and very Cold

August 1 Sunday school Entertainment. Cool

2-3 Pulling Flax Fine

5 " " Fine shower yesterday {m..? cut off}

6 " " Hot and thunder no Rain at {...cut off}

7 another Fine Shower. Helping Watson Hayfork

8 Pulling Flax George Roy helping. Rain at night

9 Rain. To Fergus with Wool & To Thos Hannas Funreal {Funeral}

10 Warm pulling Flax

12 The Heaviest rain last night for a year But {mi..? page cut off} {Ghar?} pulling {Fl..? page cut off}

13 Finished pulling Flax Frost this morning

14 to Elora With Flax very warm

15 Council meeting. Cool and pleasant

16 To Elora with Flax warm

17 Heavy Rain and Hail in afternoon

1895 August

19 Started Cutting wheat. Light Crop

20 Finished wheat started peas. Thunder & rain Frost

21 Pulling Peas slight frost

22 Finished pulling Peas and Loading Flax

23 Wheat all in and some peas warm

24 Rainy forenoon To Fergus

26 To Elora with Last of Flax very hot

27 Peas all in. Started to Cut oats

28 Cutting oaits {oats} over to Ransoms with T Hamiliton

29 " " Raking wheat stubble Thunder & rain last night

30 Cutting oats very hot

31 Cut all that is Ripe some Rain and Cold

Sepr 2 Fine drawing in oats

4 " " " " Rain in afternoon warm

5 Finished Cutting warm

6 Drawing in oats hot

7 Down to Hanna's & Days Seeing about Ditch to Fergus

9 Harrowing down Turnip Drills to Fergus with H Mitchell

10 Gang Plowing Pea land hot - 90

11 very hot 93 in Shade A {Agnes} went to Toronto Finished Drawing in the worst Crop we ever had in 36 years

12 D. Milne threshing warm

13 Watson " Broke down. went to Fergus for Share

14 " " morning Plowing Cold

15 (Sunday) heavy Frost Last nigh {night} Blocking Potatoes

16 Plowing warm A {Agnes} came from Toronto

17 Choring went to Fergus

18 Threshing The worst Turnout we ever had R Richardson hurt

19 Thompsons threshing hot (20) Rennie Threshing

21 Jas Milne Threshing hot 88 in the Shade

22 (Sunday) hottest day in Septr for years 90

1895

Sept 23 Finished Plowing for Rye Cold

24 To G. Martin's Sale

25 To Fergus for Timothy Seed

26 T {To} Jno {John} Carneys for Rye Seed 50 cts P {per} Bush {Bushel - page cut off}

27 Sowing Rye about 1 1/4 Bush wheat mark about {? cut off} Great Rain last night

28 Picking stones Rolling Harrowing

30 High wind & very Cold Plowing

October 1 Cold yet. Sowing Rye

2 To Fergus Got Chop. New Suit & and fine Boots

3 Pulling stumps {Tying?} Corn

4 & 5 Drawing wood from Watsons swamp hot

7 Making Waggon Bot {Bottom} Started to Draw manure Rain

8 Draawing {Drawing} manure Cold

9 " " to Belwood Show. Cold

10 Drawing manure (11) Do {ditto} Rain heavy

12 Finished Drawing manure to Fergus for oatmeal

14 Started Potatoes took up 100 Bush fine Crop

15 at Potatoes Fine took 100 Bush up

16 " " a Lot of Rain fell

17 Tibbitts Threshing finished Potatoes Cold up to {Living ? cut off}

18 To Grand valley Show fine somewhat Cold and windy

19 Council Meeting Sent A. Walkers potatoes to Ferg {Fergus - page cut off} A heavy Snow storm in the evenig {evening} about 8 in f {fell? cut off}

21 Cold took Jas Milnes wife to Fergus to Salem with G {? cut off}

22 Snow Gone to Thompsons for Load of mangolds

23 Fine working at watsons all day

24 Plowing very hard Frost Harrowing Potatoe land at D {? cut off}

25 Started to spread manure and Plow in {kill? illegible - cut off} at D {... cut off}

26 Warmer Plowing and Taking up Turnips

27 (Sunday) Warm Fine. Thunderstorm at night

28 Cold. Blustering. Snowing

29 Same With Quite a fall of Snow

1895

October 30 Fine again Seeing Roads and Culverts

" 31 Mild and Some Rain finished turnips 5 Loads altogether

November 1 Fine helping Thompson & Watson Got Load of The Ren & Watson

" 2 Froze too hard for Plowing finished White to Fergus with Chop By {Buy} Boots

" 3 & 4 mild indian Summer

" 5 Finished Plowing in manure Warm

" 6 very fine. visiting the Poor House on Reeves {Reeves} invite

" 7 Warm Plowing & Harrowing Topaz Calved

" 8 To Belwood Looking for share Rainy all day

" 9 Rain all day Freezing at night and Snow

" 10 (Sunday) Snow Cold Cattle all tied in

" 11 Too Frosty to Plow. Took Chop to Fergus

" 12 " " " " went for Chop

" 13 " " " " Moved stone from wood shed Choring

" 14 Plowing Forenoon Hannas threshing afternoon

" 15 Hannas Threshing morn {morning} Killed Pig to Watson Plowing A {Agnes} Back from Toronto

" 16 Very fine all day Plowing Like Indian Summer

" 18 Plowing forenoon killing Pigs at Rennies afternoon Fine

" 19 Plowing until 4 PM Rain. then Snow

" 20 2 inches of Snow. Plowing Rennie threshing Watson Cutting

" 21 Thanksgiving day to Church very cold 5 above zero

" 22 to Fergus with Chop Paid lot of Snow fell

" 23 Fair Sleighing Jas Milne Killing Pigs

" 25 Snow & Hail Rain at night Snow nearly gone

" 26 very high wind Blowing down Trees & Fences

" 27 Drawing wood from Swamp all day

" 28 Thompsons Killed 3 Hogs Killed old Poke Fine

" 29 Started to go to Goderich Telegram not to go Snow

" 30 Fine & Sunny Buring {Burying} old Horse

December 2 Blowing & stormy 4 in Snow Last night good sleighing to Belwood

" 3 Sawing wood stormy

" 4 Helping Thompsons Kill a Horse Drawing Stumps

December 5 Helping Watson to cut feed stormy

" 6 Killed 1 Pig at home & 10 at A Whites mild

" 7 Mild killing Pigs at D. Milnes to Fergus with chop

" 9 up a {at} Haleys seeing about Ditch

" 10 at Fergus to Christmas Fair very dull

" 11 at Fergus with Lambs for Thompson

" 12 very Cold 8 Below Zero Threshing at D Milnes

" 13 Finished threshing at D Milnes milder S {? page cut off}

" 14 Council meeting very fine

" 16 Sawing wood. To Jno {John} Youngs at night

" 17 Rain Mild Real thaw

" 18 To Nichol to Jno Moirs. Slighing {sleighbing} gone wheels Rain

" 19 Rainy very muddy at John Richardsons { Th...? all aft..? page cut off}

" 20 fine at Robt Burrs Funreal {Funeral} quite warm

" 21 Warm River Broke up digging drain from from Milkhouse

" 23 Plowing in morning. Council Meeting in after {afternoon - cut off}

" 24 Colder Rain all day Freezing as it fell

" 25 Christmas very warm Plowing in morn to Fergus J. Ger {Gerries? - page cut off} Dinner Mrs & Mr {...? page cut off}

" 26 School Trustee Election Jno {John} Black elected Rain & Snow

" 27 Clear Frosty again Killed 4 Pigs & one to Watson

" 28 Frosty very Fine Sold Pork in Elora @ 4.00

" 30 Nomination (Municipal) Reeve & Councillors Ele {Elected - page cut off} By Acclamation Contest for Deputy Reeve Between {...? page cut off}

" 31 Snowing and Fierce wind all day the Worst this {...? page cut off}

1896

Jany 1 Blustring {Blustering} and Cold

" 2 To Fergus to See Carson Tom Milnes in afternoon

" 3 Very stormy Killed a cow for Thompson

" 4 Cold but clear to Fergus for oatmeal

" 5 (Sunday) very Cold and Clear 20 Below Zero

" 6 Municipal Election Elected Deputy Reeve over D {...? page cut off} 63 majority very Cold 28 Below zero

1896

Jany 7 still cold but clear To Fergus Paid Seat Rent for 1895

" 8 Milder quite a snowfall sawing wood

" 9 mild again to Fergus with Potatoes to J.G got 2 bags of chop

" 10 Colder Drawing wood from swamp

" 11 To Fergus Funreal {Funeral} of Mrs Jas Milne

" 12 (Sunday) stormy Funreal {Funeral} of Hugh Semple

" 13 Colder Cleaning up wheat

" 14 fine Moving Jim Dix. A. Mori & Sarah here

" 15 very Fine Drawing wood from Swamp

" 16 fine. Seeing Bridge (shands) to Fergus Got Cutter

" 17 To Grand valley for Flour Bot {Bought} straw from Carlaw

" 18 Mild Snowing all day A. {Agnes} to Fergus

" 20 Mild fine Rain. First Council meeting for 1896

" 22 Stormy. Drawing Brick for Don Small

" 23 Rain freezing as it fell Doing Great Damage to wires & trees

" 24 Stormy but mild

" 25 To Carlaws fro straw. fine. Cold

" 26 little Rough David Small here (Sunday)

" 27 Drawing wood to Fergus got Chop & Meal

" 28 to Guelph to County Council Meeting

" 29 " " " (30) Sow Away

" 30 Rain. County Council (31) Do Do {ditto}

Feb 1 came back from C.C. Meeting a mild week

" 3 to Fergus with Pig for J. Black heavy storm

" 4 Roads Blocked to J. Richardsons in evening {evening}

" 5 Beautiful Day Mrs H. Blacks Funeral {Funeral}

" 6 Snowing But Mild

" 7 Stormy & Drifting had to Drive children to school

" 8 Milder helping Thompsons to Cut Straw

" 10 Stormy Drawing wood to shed

" 11 Watson started to thresh but stopped on account of the Storm which was Fierce Blocking Roads

1896

Feb 12 Council meeting walked there Roads all Blocked all had to walk McLellan did no {not? page cut off}

" 13 Watson finished threshing another Storm

" 14 Stormy but Mild (15 Stormy mild morn Cold nig {night - page cut off}

" 17 the Coldest I ever knew for 37 years 39 below to Fergus

" 18 Stormy against to Fergus Boyle at Shands Bridge

" 19 Cold yet and Rough Sow away

" 20 To Fergus fair Day 12 Below and very stormy

" 21 Still Stormy to Belwood for sow

" 22 Cold. Calm. To Fergus got meal 2 days Train Block {Blocked - cut off}

" 25 Cold Clear {clear?} (26) stormy morn mild Seeing a R {...? page cut off }

" 27 finest day of the season Clear and m {mild? cut off}

" 28 Soft. Rain. Entertainment at School House

March 2 Another Blizzard all day and Cold {...? page cut off}

" 3 Clear Bright and Cold

" 4 " " very Cold to Hendersons for oats

" 5 To Fergus got oats chopped fine

" 6 Misty Slight Rain

- " 7 Went with D.M. to R Stewarts very stormy
- " 8 (Sunday) heavy snowfall and Drifting
- " 9 Roads Badly Blocked again took all day to C {Clear? page cut off}
- " 10 Fine Killed Ram. Got 2 lambs Sow away
- " 11 Cold to D Smalls and Carlaws
- " 12 very Cold to Carlaws for straw
- " 13 Killing Pigs at John Richardsons
- " 14 to Fergus with Cutter {7012. mo ?} J.L.
- " 16. 17-18 very fine Drawing straw from Carlaws
- " 19 very stormy all day
- " 20 Tremendous storm train stuck Roads filled
- " 21 Clear again to Belwood at Reform meeting
- " 23 Fine Drew the Last of straw From Carlaws

1896

March 24 Easter fair Day Clear & Cold with Reeve and Clerk to Fergus about By Laws. first Train since the 19

- " 25 Soft Rain Some Lightning
- " 26 Stormy again. Cold
- " 27 To Luther for wood Cold
- " 28 To Fergus to Reform Convention Semples {renominated?}
- " 29 (Sunday) rain last night thunder and {and} Lightning This morning
- " 30 hot Sun Lot of snow went Roads bad Robins and Bluebirds to Jas Milnes at night
- " 31 very warm snow went fast River broke up

April 1 Cold & Raw Mist and Rain at night A. {Agnes} to Fergus abt {about} Books

- " 2 Cold & stormy (3) Do. {same as before} Sale at L. R. Days very Cold
- " 4 Some milder at Mrs Barnetts Funreal {Funeral}
- " 6 Still Raw and cold Snowing
- " 7 Raw yet Killing Pigs at Rennies

" 8 Bright & sunny Choring Sawing down in Swamp

" 9 still soft (10) Sawing wood at J. Milnes

" 11 Rain in morn. walked to Fergus J. Dick Plow

" 12 (Sunday) rain in morn Great thaw Frogs

" 13 very warm With J. Moir Seeing Farm Con 8 Lot 15

" 14 Started to Plow warm (15) Plowing Hot

" 16 Moving Jno {John} Moir very hot about {78?} in shade

" 17 Plowing Scraping in sand Pit Thunder & Rain at night

" 18 to Fergus with chop Still warm Cattle on Grass

" 20 Plowing up to See Ditch at Williams

" 21 Sowing Grass seed on Rye. Sowing Oats Cold at night

" 22 Gang Plowing for Peas Sowing Grass Seed & Peas

{Some rain - vertically on side of page}

" 23 Rolling oats and Plowing fine and warm

" 24 Plowing (25) finished Plowing for wheat River very Low Richardsons River men here for Dinner

" 27 Sowing wheat and harrowing Rain at night

" 28 Sowing Grass on wheat and Rolling very warm

{vertically on side of page in date column} Cold the Lowest Temperature for 40 yrs and the Greatest Scarcity of Feed ever known Bot {Bought} 8 Loads of straw myself

1896

April 29 Plowing in South field Cooler

" 30 Plowing Sod windy. there has Been only 2 nights frost Since the 13th and what is very Rare numbers of Cattle are out all night this fodder being very Scarce and Grass good

{vertically in date column} the Warmest April & the warmest day in April in 55 yrs

May 1 misty morn at Arthur with Reeve trying Grader

" 2 Sowing oats south field 14 BU Still fine weather

" 4 Seeing about wire (Rennie) at J. Bucklands Fair

" 5 Plowing sod. Wild Plums in Bloom warm

- " 6 Drawing Earth to Hill and Ties home Hot
- " 7 at John Bremmers Sr Funreal {Funeral} hot & dry Trees in {bloom? page cut off}
- " 8 Plowing (9) at Belwood helping Clerk with Road
- " 10 (Sunday) Jas Laing here hot Dry
- " 11 Finished Plowing for Crop warm and Close
- " 12 Sowing Oats & Peas. Finished Sowing 15 Bu in West of {..cut off} Light Rain
- " 14 Finally Finished Harrowing & Rolling one of the Best Seed {illegible - page cut off} we ever had only 2 nights frost since the Snow Left growth
- " 15 To Fergus for corn and mangolds still dry
- " 16 Drilling and Sowing mangolds (Down fences Rain {page cut off}
- " 17 (Sunday) a fine rain followed by a great Gale b {page cut off}
- " 18 Burning Brush Drawing ties of Track Jno {John} Moir here
- " 19 To House of Industry Seeing Tree {spraying?} {illegible - page cut off}
- " 20 Lib and mother to A. Moirs Nichol
- " 21 A. Lib Edna Mary to Stewarts Nichol
- " 22 Sowing Corn 2nd on Track Getting drains for an {...cut off?} {Ra - page cut off}
- " 23 Finished Plowing for Potatoes. washed shop
- " 25 Rainy all day Terrible Shower at night w {page cut off} Thunder & Lightning Doing great damage Heaviest {page cut off}
- " 26 To Salem for Flour very high wind
- " 27 Cutting Potatoes Cooler (McDermott here for Potato {Potatoes - page cut off}
- " 28 Rain Court of Revision very Cold & windy at {m... cut off?}

1896

- May 29 To Fergus {Mc? illegible} Potatoes Cold windy
- " 30 Planting Potatoes
- June 1 Plowing Clipped sheep. Planted Beans. Corn Sowed Carrots {Carrots}
- " 2 Finished Plowing Turnip Land with Henderson
- " 3-4-5 at Conty {County} Council fine Rain on 5th

- " 6 Returned very warm
- " 7 (Sunday) very warm Heavy Rain & thunder in afternoon
- " 8 Damp muggy misty & warm good Growth
- " 9 Fixiing fences Rain at night
- " 10 Sowing Turnips. Planting Cabage {Cabbage}
- " 11 Finished Sowing Turnips. warm
- " 12 with McClellan Letting Jobs all day
- " 13 Posting Bill for Belwood Road gravel to Fergus
- " 14 (Sunday) J. Milne & Family & Jno {John} Moir here
- " 15 to Belwood for scraper. Sowing with R. Thompson Mills H. Seed
- " 16 Nomination (Dominion) 4 Candidates Semple Groves Gordon Lewis Warm day & Large Crowd
- " 17 Letting the Gravel on Belwood Road. Watson {20 1/2?} Sargeant {15 3/4?}
- " 18-19 Doing Road work. warm needing Rain
- " 20 very hot Rain all Round us. With henderson Letting jobs
- " 22 Scuffling mangolds mowing with scythe
- " 23 Election Semple 594 ahead Tupper ministry Defeated by 35
- " 24 still warm with Henderson orangeville Road & E. Townline
- " 25 Cutting Rye green slight Rain at night
- " 26 Cutting and Coling Rye
- " 27 Drawing in Rye
- " 29 With Henderson letting Gravel on Orangeville Road Fergus & Eramosa T. Line
- " 30 Council meeting and down to Eramosa on 6th
- July 1 Raking & mowing to McLellans for Planer
- " 2 Trying Planer Then Bot it
- " 3 Finished Drawing Green Rye hot 90
- " 4 scuffling Potatoes Grand Rain A. Burns Raising

1896

July 6 Cool and cloudy Letting job on Hill 1st Lin {Line - page cut off} (J. B. 90 {days? illegible})

" 7 Cool yet Drawing in Hay

" 8 To Guelph to meeting of Commissioner Dividing {Co...? cut off}

" 9 very Cool some Rain with Wm {William} Black Letting Jo {Jobs? page cut off}

" 10 Planting Corn down to County Graveling. D. {W..? cut off}

" 11 finished Planting Corn to Fergus Pd int {interest?} {F...? cut off}

" 13 Mowing

" 14 Finished mowing to E. Gara {Garafraxa} seeing Grader {page cut off}

" 15 Finished Haying Some Rain

" 16 Scuffling To Fergus with Henderson. To Haleys Rain

" 17 Hot. Put Paris Green on Potatoes

" 18 Thining Turnips. Went to Fergus

" 20 Rain all Last night. With D. Watson Passing jobs

" 21 Cleaning mangolds. Cutting Rye. very hot

" 22 Working in Swamp. Cooler at night

" 23 To Fergus Got Salt Pd Armstrong Bros in full

" 24 With Jas Mathieson in afternoon to Eramosa to {township - page cut off}

" 25 Drawing in Rye Jas Milne threshing Cool ni {night - page cut off}

" 27 Grand rain all Forenoon. To A. Moirs {page cut off}

" 28 Taking in Rye Rakings. With Reeve settling {G...? cut off}

" 29 Drawing wood from swamp very heavy Rain well {illegible - cut off}

" 30 Warm Sunday School Reunion

" 31 Cutting D Milnes Timothy at Peel Townline Job

August 1 To Fergus Saw Forest J. Caldwell Gerries & {B...? cut off}

" 3 Hot. Started Harvest Cutting Oats

" 4 Finished Field Below Track Hot

" 5 Hottest Day of season with D Watson at {Del? page cut off} 90 in shade

" 6 Hot at J. Moirs Lots of thunder

" 7 started wheat & Peas A. {Agnes} to Hendersons

" 8 still warm with D. Watson at Ditch in {...? cut off}

" 9 (Sunday) hottest Day of Season about 92

" 10 Cutting wheat Sligh {Slight} Rain at night

1896

August 11 seeing Glenlamond Bridge which is Broke

" 12 wet morning Cutting wheat

" 13 very hot. finished " Drawing oats

" 14 Hot 92 Cutting oats. to See {watsons?} job 10 & 11 Conc

" 15 Council Meeting. Hot some Rain

" 17 Down to meet. R. Boyle Re Glenlamond bridge Cooler

" 18 Rain Cutting oats frost

" 19 wheat all in. Drawing oats

" 20 Heavy Frost. Watson threshing Drawing in & Cutting oats

" 21 Cutting oats forenoon. helping D Watson make culvert

" 22 warm. Some Rain at night " " finished Culvert

" 24 Cutting & Drawing oats finished cutting D. Watson all Day

" 25 putting in culvert (Watson) all day

" 26 Drawing in oats. Rain heavy

" 27 D. Milne threshing Some Rain

" 28 J. B. Mullan here. Peas all pulled Crop all in fair But oats some rusted & spring wheat a failure

" 29 Seeing Ditch near J. Dias then to Fergus

" 31 J. Milne Drawing in Peas & Threshing Thompsons threshing

Sept 1 Threshing at Home. wheat nearly a failure oats Light

" 2 Showry & Cold Tebbet here for oats

" 3 Rain last night Cleaning wheat

" 4 Got 2 Pigs from Wm {William} Shortreed A. {Agnes} to Church

- " 5 Damp all day. Drawing wood from Swamp
- " 7 Drawing wood from D Milnes flat
- " 8 J Rennie threshing warmer
- " 9 Drawing wood. D.M. and fixing Spring warm
- " 10 Drawing Roots from Thompsons swamp warm
- " 11 Piling up " in our own Swamp Gang Plowing
- " 12 to Fergus with wheat for Flour & oats for meal
- " 14 Started to Draw manure
- " 15 Drawing manure & Tebbetts Threshing

1896

September 16 Tibbett Finished Threshing Drawing manure

- " 17 To Fergus Seeing Bridge at Glenlammond
- " 18 Drawing manure
- " 19 Rain all day. Letting Bridges high wind very Cold at {page cut off}
- " 21 Finished manure Cleaning out Ditches
- " 22 Rain again at Wm {William} Broadfoots Finish very {page cut off}
- " 23 heavy Frost Cut Corn Cold all day
- " 24 To Fergus with Chop got new {Fleeing?} Plow Plow {cut off}
- " 25 Fine Plowing
- " 26 Sowing Rye Repairing Drain Got chop home heavy Rain at {cut off}
- " 28 Fine Sowing Timothy Plowing in manure
- " 29 Plowing in manure Rainy afternoon
- " 30 Belwood Show Rain all day Down to see Bridge {Lot 6? page cut off}

Octr 1 Cold. Plowing (3) Warmer Plowing

- " 5 Finished plowing in manure {Haison?} got apples
- " 6 started to Dig Potatoes Rain Byrons Leg hurt
- " 7 Cold showers of Snow to Fall Show in Fergus

- " 8& 9 at Potatoes cold but dry
- " 10 Finished " a good crop. Started mangolds
- " 12 Finished mangolds a good crop Seeing abutment {abutment} Lot 20 Con 6
- " 13 Plowing all day fine but Cool
- " 14 Do-Do {ditto} (15) Watson threshing warm
- " 16 To Grand valley Show Watson Finished Threshing
- " 17 Tied in Feeding Cattle 2 inches of snow fell
- " 19 Plowing Cold
- " 20 Plowing forenoon House of Industry in afternoon {afternoon - cut off} to see Electric Light {Lights - cut off}
- " 21 Drawing in Turnips at watsons showers of {s..? cut off}
- " 22 Plowing Got Load of Turnips at Thompson
- " 23 Got 2 Loads of Turnips from D. Milnes {Topp...? cut off}
- " 24 Cold and Raw Draw in all Turnips 8 Loads {Loads}
- " 26 Finished plowing West Field Fine & w {warm? cut off}
- " 27 very warm Plowing Pea Land
- " 28 Plowing tile Noon went to Robbs sale

1896

October 29 Plowed till noon. Down to townline and to Fergus

- " 30 Rain warm Started to plow sod
- " 31 Seeing Bridges in forenoon. at Burrs & Plowing
- November 2 Plowing sod. very warm (3) Do Do {ditto}
- " 4 " " Rainy afternoon & evening
- " 5 To Fergus for flour and meal Heavy Rain
- " 6 Showers Plowing Sod. Killed a Pig at Rennies
- " 7 Council meeting. Cold & Showery
- " 9 Plowing sod all day Frosty
- " 10 Too Frosty to plow till noon J. Milnes Heifer Choked A. {Agnes} To Stewarts

" 11 milder Plowing sod (12) do do {ditto} furing Turnip Land

" 13 Fall of snow and frosty Drawing and Cutting wood moved stone

" 14 Meeting Surveyor at Townline Six J.BK 30 fine

" 15 very fine plowing Turnip Land no frost

" 17 To Fergus with Chop. Horses got a {Ball?} Rev. Dr. Smellies Funreal {Funeral} Rain

" 18 Thunderstorm To Fergus to Court in D Watsons case

" 19 Frosty. Clear & Bright Plowing going on

" 20 Fine. Frosty Plows soft A. {Agnes} Back from Stewarts

" 21 Quite a fall of snow. Sleighs running

" 22 (Sunday) had Cutter going to Church

" 23 Drawing wood from Swamp with sleigh rain afternoon

" 24 Fin {Fine} To Fergus in Forenoon to Belwood after

" 25 Raining and Freezing all day Rennie threshing

" 26 at Church Thanksgiving day very warm Plows going Burrs girls here

" 27 Mild. Plowing. A. Moir and Sarah here

" 28 Colder. done Plowing Cutting wood Snow at night

" 30 very Cold. Drawing wood. Ewes away

Decr 1 at Guelph. County Council. Cold Zero

" 2-3-4 " " " " fine and mild

" 5 Returned from Guelph very mild

" 8 Christmas fair. Cattle very Chop Soft mild

" 9-10-11 Still very fine mild weather

1896

Decr 12 at J Richardsons threshed very Fine

" 14 To Fergus with chop Still Fine

" 15 Council meeting Raw and Cold

" 16 J. Milnes sale. A. Moir up Sold him 2 ste {steers - cut off}

- " 17 very fine Fair day to Fergus
- " 18 helping Watson to cut feed rogh {rough} & blustery
- " 19 To Fergus with 2 steers - 1780 @ 2 3/4 1010 & 2 1/2 770
- " 21 To Fergus. Nomination for County Council New {Act..? page cut off}
- " 22 Entertainment at school house present to {...? page cut off}
- " 23 Clear Cold weather down to Zero
- " 24 To Fergus with Turkeys 8 cts per lb
- " 25 Christmas. To Burrs for Dinner Cold stor {stormy? page cut off}
- " 26 Jas Milne threshing Cold
- " 28 Nomination Township in Belwood. milder
- " 29 Mild Misty To Fergus settled with Black & co
- " 30 " Annual school meeting J Dix elected Trustee
- " 31 very Fine. Snow all gone year ends without any {=ing?} and a long spell of Fine weather

1897

- January 1 Mild misty rain in afternoon at Thompsons in e {evening? page cut off}
- " 2 mild sunny. Lots of Flies To Fergus got beef F {... page cut off}
- " 4 Municipal Election was elected Reeve by 6 major {majority - page cut off} Henderson & Martins for County very muddy Roads and Rain most of the day
- " 5 Froze up again and some snow. To Fergus
- " 6 Stormy Trustee meeting to organize Don Chairm {Chairman? page cut off}
- " 7 milder drawing wood from swamp
- " 8 very fine To A. Moirs Nichol for Load of Turn {Turnips - page cut off}
- " 9 Cutting wood to Fergus in evening
- " 11 Council Meeting Cold & Blustery
- " 12 John Richardsons threshing very cold
- " 13 helping D. Milne to make A. {Flax?} mixing? {page cut off}
- " 14 To Fergus took A. {Agnes} down to Doctor {un..? cut off in Gor {Gorrie? cut off}

1897

Jany 15 helping D. Milne with Pump choring

" 16 Drawing ties of Track very mild

" 18 Heavy Rain all day yesterday froze up to day

" 19 Took Turnips from D. Milnes Cold _ below Zero

" 20 Milder. Snowing in afternoon Lib pick {turk?} {watson?}

" 21 Sleighing at Last to Fergus with Cutter

" 22 very Rogh {Rough} & stormy

" 23 Stormy. Cold ____ Sow away

" 25 A Record Breaker no sleighing until 21st and today Roads blocked to Church meeting

" 26 Still wild and blustery

" 27 Faired up Drawing wood

" 28 Fine to Fergus got meal

" 29 Roads all tracked again milder

" 30 very fine A {Agnes} to Fergus to Dr

Feby 1 Still fine and suny {sunny}

" 2 " " Helping Watson to build Shanty on bush Lot

" 3 " " to Fergus with Chop

" 4 " " Drawing wood from Watsons bush

" 5 Drawing wood from Swamp mild

" 6 T {To} Fergus with Thompsons mare Rain & Snow Robt {Robert} left for Britain

" 8 With Wm Thompson looking at Colts

" 9 To Luther for wood Rennies team along

" 10 Killing Turkeys and took them to Fergus

" 11 Colder Raw East wind Sow away

" 12 Snow storm from the East

" 13 Council Meeting 8 below zero Sunny

" 14 (Sunday) Drifting roads blocked

" 15 To Luther and Grand valley Re Neil Thompson mild

- " 16 Killing Pigs at Thompsons mild
- " 17 Drawing wood from Swamp " thaw
- " 18 Fair Day {Tnus?} Meeting Fine & mild

1897

Feb 19 To Fergus with Bernardo Boy to Nichol Council

- " 20 To Belwood getting Help for Eliza Kenned {Kennedy - cut off}
 - " 22 Stormy morning Rain in afternoon
 - " 23 Farmers Institute Meeting in Belwood stormy
 - " 24 Roads Blocked to Fegus {Fergus}
 - " 25 Fine E. to Fergus A. {Agnes} at Thompsons
 - " 26 Cold. but Quieter
 - " 27 A Great Blow and Cold to Fergus Re {...? cut off}
 - " 28 (Sunday) Cold but Clear 18 Below Coldest this
- March 1 another heavy Blow filling Roads up
- " 2 To Belwood Seeing after Miss Kennedy
 - " 3 at Fergus Division Court Nelson vs Watson
 - " 4 Fine Sunny Seeing Mrs Mutch
 - " 5 Thaw. Rain Killed 2 Pigs Sow away
 - " 6 Mitchells Sale Keen and frosty but CI {Clear - cut off}
 - " 8 Helping D. Kennedy with Didge on 4th Mild
 - " 9 with Boyle looking a {at} Bridges heavy Rain
 - " 10 Milder to Fergus Pd Plow. Got Boots for {S..? cut off} Meal & Flour
 - " 11 Fine and sunny lots of water
 - " 12 Colder very stormy afternoon
 - " 13 Away seeing about Cudney Girl. To Belwood R.L. {Miss...? cut off}
 - " 15 yesterday one of the hardest Blows of the winter Con {B...? cut off}
 - " 16 got Roads Blocked again Clear & cold

- " 17 Drawing wood milder.
- " 18 To Fergus Fair day Decidedly soft
- " 19 " " Getting Bridge irons fixed heavy Rain {a...? cut off}
- " 20 River Brocke {Broke} up very high flood Damaging B {Bridge - cut off}
- " 22 Cutting Ice of {off?} Road at Glenlamond fixing Bridge {a ..? cut off} got jam off {wilsons dam ...cut off}
- " 23 Down to see Bridges at Glenlamond to Bremmers Sale {... cut off}
- " 24 To John Beatties Funreal {Funeral} wet Snowy day
- " 25 To Adam Johnstons sale With Wm Thompson
- " 26 Cleaning up wheat oats & Peas

1897

March 27 To A Moirs for Load of Turnips. Robins

- " 29 at Thos Hughes sale mild
 - " 30 To Fergus Pd Mitchell got 100 3 {ody?} J. B.
 - " 31 The month ends Cold and raw sleighing gone
- April 1-2-3 making Gravel box and geneal {general} repairing Bright Sun but raw East winds
- " 5 Easter Fair. Got Chop Flour & oatmeal. Rain
 - " 6 Raw. Damp To Belwood Taking over Collecters Roll
 - " 7 River men down with wood Plowing started after one of the shortest Finest Winters for many years
 - " 8 Cleaning Drains. And to Fergus For grass seed. A Burns sowed oats
 - " 9 Snowing heavy all day
 - " 10 Drawing wood with sleigh. Helping Thompson to make waggon bottom
 - " 12 Up to Taylors on 12th line Re Cudney To Fergus evenig {evening} got wheat
 - " 13 To Fergus Re Cudney Killing Pigs at Watsons heavy Rain
 - " 14 Cleared up fine Sow away
 - " 15 To Fergus Re Cudney Sunny & dry
 - " 16 Good Friday. Rain in afternoon.
 - " 17 Snow in forenoon Cold & raw heavy Frost at night

- " 19 (Easter monday) a bitter Cold Frosty Sunny dry
- " 20 Hard Frost stopped Plowing
- " 21 Weather milder Some sowing
- " 22 Elora Horse show real spring weather Swallows
- " 23 Great Rain & Thunder heaviest for 11 years
- " 24 land very wet but warm yet
- " 25 (Sunday) another heavy rain and high wind
- " 26-27-28 Rain every day more or less no seeding
- " 29 Plowing headland of {sod?} Colder
- " 30 Rain to Fergus with Wm {William} Thompson with cattle and to Belwood
- May 1 To Fergus With A.{Agnes} Rain last night & today
- " 2 & 3 Rain again up to {Wat?} Thompson Re [washout?]
- " 4 Colder. Fair. up to Jas Singers Re Culverts fixing spring

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- May 5 Warmer. To Fergus for salt & with Iron some {so? cut off}
- " 6 Gang Plowing and Harrowing Lily Calved {... cut off}
- " 7 Sowing wheat and grass seed Grand day
- " 8 filing finished. To Belwood helping Clerk with Road
- " 9 (Sunday) warm heavy thunder storm at nigh {night - cut off}
- " 10 warm Sowed oats above Track
- " 11 Harrowing Below Track on sod Damp {y? cut off}
- " 12 A Heavy rain and thunder Doing damage
- " 13 To Arthur school arbitration land very wet
- " 14 Still Rainy no {scetting?} D. Milne had Team
- " 15 Board of health meeting in Belwood {illegible - cut off} wild Plums in Bloom
- " 17 Sowing Oats, Dryer warm
- " 18 Sowing Peas all Sowed but 1 1/2 acres too wet

- " 19 Planted Potatoes on Track. Trees full in leaf
- " 20 To Fergus & A. Burns. A heavy rain
- " 21 Cold Damp day lots of seeding to do yet
- " 22 To Carnnock re Ditches. to Fergus got Flour
- " 23 (Sunday) more Rain Cold
- " 24 Cold Raw day Heat is wanted Badly
- " 25 Finally got done seeding. Started Harrowing {Tur..? cut off}
- " 26 Plowing for mangolds. Land drier than it Been this spring
- " 27 Choring to Fergus Saw R.D.F. Fine day
- " 28 Court of Revision in Belwood. Damp & cold
- " 29 Plowing for mangolds and Potatoes
- " 31 across to A. Stewarts Cold heavy rain yeste {yesterday - cut off} St. Andrews Ch. {st...? cut off}

June 1 another Cold raw day

" 2 to Guelph. Seeing Co. Council about Grants f {for - cut off} Belwood Bridge & L. {Luther?} tow {township - cut off}

" 3 Warmer. heavy rain to Fergus with Potatoes

" 5 Cutting Potatoes. more Rain

" 7 Plowing heavy rain all afternoon

" 8 Drilling and sowing mangolds

" 9 Planting potatoes 15 Bu

1897

June 10 up to Luther Seeing after Ditches Re Shaw warm

" 11 Plowing warm dry

" 12 Sowing Turnips. Repairing Drain

" 14 To Wm {William }Boyles Funreal {Funeral} Letting jobs at Broadfoots

" 15 Finished Plowing For Turnips Sowing corn

" 16 Swedes all sowed no rain since the 7th

" 17 To Cummock to meet Bowman P.L.S.

" 18 very hot Drilling and sowing Greystone Turnips

" 19 Council meeting very warm Like Rain

" 21 Frost To Guelph to See Engineer Re steel Bridge

" 22 To Arthur Queens Jubilee Dry windy

" 24 Took Engineer to Belwood Re Bridge Rain Clipped sheep

" 25 To Sideroad Con 1-10-11

" 26 Finished Sowing Turnips to E Garafraxa Townline with McKee & 6th Line with Scarrow

" 28 With Henderson & Martin on Orangeville Road

" 29 With McClellan on 4th Line Grand Rain

" 30 With Scarrow on 5th line To Fergus in evening

July 1 very warm Sowing turnips in {Paters who Fly took them?}

" 2 With McClellan and A. Dunn all day Hot

" 3 With Mathieson all afternoon very hot

" 5 Fixing mower. Thunderstorm. Jas Clark Killed with Lightning. To Fergus for culvert tile

" 6 With Singer all day letting jobs hot

" 7 Scuffling very hot

" 8 To Jas Langs and to Salem hot

" 9 doing Road work still hot up to Williams Hill

" 10 To see jobs on orangeville Road and to Hamilton ditch

" 12 To Guelph to See Hutcheon heavy Rain Cooler

" 13 To Belwood more Rain

" 14 Council Meeting heavy Rain

" 15 Scuffling. To Fergus P.G Bridge

1897

July 16 Thinning Turnips Seeing Deans Culvert

" 17 " " up to See Luther Ditch

" 19 Mowing thistles Thinning Turnips heavy Ra {Rain - cut off}

" 20 " " Thinning Turnips

" 21 Thinning Turnips Went to Fergus Rain

" 22 putting Paris Green on Potatoes. Heavy Rain

" 23 The usual heavy Rain A. {Agnes} up to Thompsons

" 24 To Luther Townline with Dunn. A {Agnes} to Guelph

" 26 Meeting Talbot on Eramosa Townline Rain

" 27 Meeting McManus on Pul Townline Heavy Rain

" 28 Letting Removing Bridge in Belwood To Fergus af {afternoon? cut off} Rai {Rain - cut off}

" 29 Scuffling Potatoes Still hot and damp

" 30 another Heavy Rain Genral {General} over the Province {4?} inch fell in Toronto in 26 Hours A great deal of damage to Hay lots of it rotten Fall wheat growing on {f...? cut off}

" 31 Fair scuffling Turnips the 2nd time

{sideways on left hand side of page} it has Become almost impossible to kill potato bugs the rain wouldn't let the green stay there has not been such a wet July for 14 yrs

August 2 Started to cut Hay. Some have their fall wheat c {cut - page} cut off the latest starting I have any Record of Cause Rai {Rain - page cut off}

" 3 Coling dry Broke mower

" 4 Getting repairs for mower Rain

" 5 Seeing Culvert at Pattons To D. Watson mo {mowing? cut off}

" 6 Drawing in. Coling Dry

" 7 Scuffling. Coling Hauling in A. {Agnes} to Guelph to {D..? cut off} with A.H.

" 9 Finished Cutting Hay. Jas Gerrie Here

" 10 Rainy all day cutting thistles up to Kennedys

" 11 up to Peel Townline (Campbels) {(Campbells)} finished coling

" 13 Finished Haying very Late Rainy all the tim {time - cut off}

" 14 Council meeting

" 16 Seeing Ditch & culvert on Nichol Townl {Townline - cut off}

" 17 Fine Dry To See Belwood Bridge

" 18 Down to House of Industry Rain

" 19 T. Hamiltons Ditch Nichol Townline

1897

August 20 Dry Fine Harvest day

" 21 started to cut wheat S.S. Picnic Letting Jobs on 6th

" 23-24 dry cutting {cutting} wheat Tibbetts threshing 23rd

" 25 Rain last night. Seeing Belwood Bridge

" 26 Finished Cutting wheat. Frost at night

" 27 Seeing B. Bridge Watson threshing

" 28 Watson threshing. Drawing in Wheat

" 30 Rain last night To Fergus & To See B. Bridge

" 31 Finished drawing Wheat. Started Oats

Sept 1 Cutting oats (2) ~~Thompson Threshing~~ Rain

" 2 Thompsons thresing {threshing} forenoon Cuting {Cutting} oats

" 3 Up to ditch at Hastings. Fixing Reaper

" 4 Fixing Reaper Cutting Oats Watson Threshing

" 6-7 Cutting oats very warm

" 8 To Belwood to Fergus with Peas up to {Clerks?} {J.K. ?}

" 9 To Fergus to Bank for J P money abutments Finished

" 10 Drawing in oats 2 warm days 92 in shade

" 11 rain But Cleared up fine

" 13 rain in morning A. {Agnes} & Lib to Stewarts

" 14 Drawing oats (15) very hot Drawing in Pulling Peas

" 16 Pulling Peas and drawing in hot

" 17 Drawing Peas. Cooler. Heavy Frost at night

" 18 To Guelph. very cold and windy

" 20 Raking and drawing in oats very windy

" 21 Loose oats all in finished Cutting oats

" 22 Rain in morning But Cleared up

" 23 With Engineer to Hamiltons swamp

- " 24 Finished Harvest to Show in Fergus
- " 25 With Engineer to swamp at Hastings
- " 27 To Guelph for set of Double Harness Cold windy
- " 28 warmer Letting the Filling of Belwood Bridge Land very dry Some cant Plow

1897

September 29 Belwood show fine and warm

- " 30 To Fergus with T. Hamilton Re ditch J. B. {M...? cut off}

Oct 1 T. Luther Re. Shaws Ditch started Potatoes

- " 2 Jas. Milnes Threshig {Threshing} 1/2 day at Potatoes

- " 4 Potatoes forenoon. Pattisons ditch afternoon

- " 5 At Hamiltons Ditch Rain in afternoon

- " 6 Finished Potatoes not 1/2 a crop. Rain at n {night? cut off}

- " 7 Threshing. very middling yield fine Day

- " 8 Rain in forenoon. At Mangolds (Cut {...? cut off}

- " 9 Finished mangolds to Fergus with Jim {...? cut off}

- " 11 At Belwood all day selecting Jurors

- " 12 Harrowing Potatoes. To E. Townline 10

- " 13 Drawing manure all day warm

- " 14 " in Forenoon. A. Raes Sale after {afternoon - cut off}

- " 15 " " all day very warm

- " 16 " " Thunder. Rain. Cooler

- " 18 Finished drawing manure. started to Plo {Plow - cut off}

- " 19 spreading manure and Byron Powing {Plowing} to Ferg {Fergus - cut off} {A. Home?}

- " 20 Thunder Rain To Grand valley show very {dar... - cut off}

- " 21 Plowing (Byron) To Townline of Eramosa & Fergu {Fergus - cut off}

- " 22 Finished Plowing in manure Fine and war {warm - cut off}

- " 23 To Nichol Townline (Deans Bridge) Telephoned D stra {Straw? page cut off}

" 25 To E. Gara {Garafraxa} Townline. To Hendersons Rennie Fl {? cut off} very fine

" 26 Topping Harrowing & Drawing Turnips

" 27 Drawing Turnips Extra Fine Weather {...? cut off}

" 28 " " Cooler

" 29 First Snow finished Swedes started Grey

" 30 To Fergus Re Watsons Garinsher & {Dr...? cut off} Hamilto {Hamilton - cut off}

Novr 1 To Kennedys in forenoon Re Hamiltons Dit {Ditch - cut off}

" 2 Finished Turnips Good Crop 53 Loads Ra {Rain - cut off} all Day

" 3 To Fergus Division Court Re Watson {G...? cut off}

" 4 Putting up stone Plowing {to wood B...? cut off}

1897

November 5 To Fergus Executive Meeting Reform A

" 6 Cold and Blustery Plowing all Day

" 8 Board of Health meeting Drizzling Rain all day

" 9 Three in Snow fell Rogh {Rough} & Blustery Cattle all tied in

" 10 Council meeting Local option brought up

" 11 Heavy Rain to Fergus & Belwood

" 12 Stormy Blustery day

" 13 To Nichol townline letting Job with {Tho. Dow?}

" 15 Plowing forenoon Taking out Jam in afternoon Misty

" 16 Meeting Eramosa Engineer Re Pattison at 10 am

" " Judge Re Hamilton A {at} 3 p.m. very cold

" 17 Cold & Frosty Stewart & Maggie here

" 18 " " Tibbitt Thresig {Threshing}

" 19 Cold & Snowing with Engineer at Belwood Bridge

" 20 Drawing wood. Council meeting Special

" 22 To Fergus in forenoon to Bank Re Bridge

" " Meeting in Belwood to choose Delegates Reform Convention afternoon
 " 23-24 Plowing 2 in Snow and Cold
 " 25 Thanksgiving Rain forenoon Plowing
 " 26 Plowing Heavy Rain. Reform Convention Craig chosen
 " 27 Frosty took Chop and Sleigh to Fergus Arranging Luther Union School
 " 29 Cold snowing Drifting to Hannas threshing all day
 " 30 Cold to E. Townline Mornig {Morning} D. Milne Threshing after
 Decr 1 Sleighing Council meeting special
 " 2 Watsons Threshig {Threshing} Snowy
 " 3 To See McFarlane and to Fergus Sleighs shod
 " 4 Raw Day Rainig {Raining} & Freezing
 " 6 Drizzling Rain. Cold and Raw
 " 7 Fergus Christmas Fair. Snow Last night Fair sleighing Sheep away
 " 8 To Guelph Re Grant for Belwood Bridge. Good sleighing
 " 9 To Belwood Re Sidewalk. Mild and Rainy
 " 10 Rain Sleighing gone. To Belwood about sidewalk

1897

December 11 Showery frost out Plows would Run again
 " 13 Plowing all day fine and mild
 " 14 Showery mornig {morning} Plowing started sod
 " 15 very fine Council Meeting
 " 16 Plowing all day D. Watson in afternoon & to Fergus
 " 17 Froze up last night to Belwood passing Bridge {fe..? cut off} Snow Sleighs Runnig {Running} Killed a Pig
 " 18 Cold and stormy Killing a pig a {at} D. Milnes Put stone in
 " 20 At A. Whites threshing Cold Stormy
 " 21 " " " " Forenoon D Milnes afternoon See {Seeing? cut off} misty
 " 22 D. Milne finished threshing Seeing Belwood Brid {Bridge?} Steel Finish

- " 23 To Fergus & to Guelph To Engineer with {F...? cut off} A. {Agnes} to Toronto
- " 24 Milder To Fergus in afternoon
- " 25 Mild Pleasant Day Good Sleighing
- " 27 Nomination day fine
- " 28 Killing Heifer for John Richardson To Fergus in eveni {evening - cut off}
- " 29 School meeting Jas. A. Milne Trustee Watson Thr {Threshing? cut off}
- " 30 Watson threshing Forenoon J. Richardson afternoon To Day and yesterday a lot of snow fell good sle {sleighing? cut off}
- " 31 at Barnetts. Lynes. Elias @ Poveys in Forenoon appointing the {cut off} as Scrutineers Re Repeal by Law Then to Belwood appointing Brown Gordon & Smith. Then to Fergus appoin {appointing - cut off} Mitchel and Robinson. Good sleighing

Jany 1898

Jany 1 Coldest this winter & stormy appointing Town & F.B. Anderson Scrutineers Re By Law

- " 3 Election (Municipal) Elected Reeve by 52 Majo {Majority - cut off}
- " 4 Milder Thompsons Threshing Finished
- " 5 " Rennie " "
- " 6 To Belwood Summing up Re Local option 78 M {Majority? cut off}
- " 7 To Fergus. Got oatmeal. To {Bern?} 1/2 Cd {cord} wood

1898

Jany 8 mild snow Flurries A {Agnes} Came back from Toronto

- " 10 very mild drawing stones for Rennie (Lib went Back J.R.
- " 11 Drawing wood from swamp. killed Pig for Jas Milne
- " 12 David Smalls Sale Thaw Thunder Lightning Rain
- {sideways on right side of page} First Thunder in Jany since 1852
- " 13 To Luther at sale of wood No Purchase
- " 14 To Fergus in afternoon Mild sleighing Tough
- " 15 More Snow good sleighing again
- " 17 Council meeting splendid weather

" 18 Drawing wood " "

" 19 To Fergus with Chop very fine

" 20 " " Fair Day Thaw heavy Rain

{sideways on right side of page} Grand sleighing for 10 days

" 21 Froze up very icy. Dangerous getting Round

" 22 Killing Pigs a Jas Richardsons Snow and Rain at night

" 23 (Sunday) fine till night very stormy high wind

" 24 Took Sheep home high wind at night

" 25 To R. J. Williams sale Great storm in afternoon

" 26 Roads Blocked. Drawing wood from Burns

" 27 Cold & stormy. Inspecting Bridges

" 28 " " To Guelph Byron with me

" 29 Cold with R. Boyle. Seeing Bridges

" 31 Stormy. Killing Pigs at Thompsons

Feby 1 very Cold 4 Below Killing Heifer at Richardn {Richardsons}

" 2 Cold stormy up. To Belwood. {Burrs. And trees over?}

" 3 Roads Blocked To Fergus

" 5 Milder to Richardsons threshing

" 7 Killing Pigs at J. Milnes very fine

" 8 Quite Soft and misty

" 9 " " " with Mathieson to D. Johnston

" 10 " " To Fergus for meat & took Potatoes

" 11 Extra Fine Sunshine and very mild A. {Agnes} to Stewarts with Thompsons

" 12 Council Meeting. Heavy Rain last night. River Nearly all Broke up and sleighing spoiled

Feby 14 Cold Drifting letting 2 Bridges Glenlamond & 4 {..? cut off}

" 15 - 16 Rough & cold Laid off with sore foot

" 17 Milder. Thompsons & Watsons here

" 18-19 mild. Laid up with a sore foot for 10 days past

" 21 Heavy storm from the east Blocking Con. Lines

" 22 Nomination Day (Local House) Mild

" 23 Up to Jas Kennedys Re. Ballott Boxes

" 25 To Fergus for Ballotts & to Belwood in evening

" 26 Grand weather mild & sunny

" 28 up to School No 3. Re Polling Booth & Wm Gibsons oath {...? cut off}

March 1 Polling day Grand day. Craig Reform Elected maj {majority}

" 2 very fine to Fergus

" 3 & 4 " " for the season sleighing Getting Bar {Bare? cut off}

" 5 To Fergus with Load of Turnips Got Beef

" 7 " " " Declaration day warm

" 8-9 Still very Fine and warm a lot of snow g {gone? cut off}

" 10 Drawing wood from Jam on Irvine River

" 11 Great thaw Sow away

" 12 Jams all gone on River Bridge a shands B {Bridge? cut off} {wi...? cut off}

" 13 (Sunday) heavy Rain last night very high floo {flood - cut off} doing Great damage all over the country

" 14 Frost last night fine sunny day to see {s..? cut off}

" 15 Raw and cold to see washout on 1st Line {Luther? cut off}

" 16 Took cattle to Wm Browns went to Fergus

" 18 Meeting Boyle at Shands Bridge Rain at night

" 19 Fair mornig {morning} Thunderstorm at night

" 21 Slight Snow and Rain all day A. {Agnes} & Lib to G {Gerries? cut off}

" 22 Wet Drizzling Cold. Plowing started

" 23 To See Shands Bridge to Fergus A {Agnes} to Stew {Stewarts? cut off}

" 25 Bright and drier. To Belwood Re Edwar {Edward..? cut off}

" 26 Letting Bridge Fail Line Lot 13 To Ferg {Fergus - cut off}

" 28 Heavy Rain Last night. Letting Filling shand {Bridge? cut off}

1898

March 29 very Cold. Fergus Easter Fair

" 30 " " Sow away

" 31 Too Frosty to Plow Roads dry

April 1 Still Cold and Snowing

" 2 Board of health. flurries of Snow

" 3 (Sunday) to R. Stewarts Showers of snow

" 4 To Fergus to See Hamilton (T) Bot {Bought} Cart up to {veo...? illegible}

" 5 To R. Hannas & Belwood then sticking up Bills Re Jobs

" 6 A. {Agnes} and Lib to Guelph Cold & Raw. Drawing ties

" 8 Warmer. Letting Fill on 1st Line Lot 13

" 9 To Essons sale & Bridge Job on 8th Dufferin T. Line Bridge and Passing Job at Shands

" 11 Municipal Busnes {Business} all day Seeing Patterson Lifting Bridge and Passing Job at Shands

" 12 & 13th Laid up with sore back Grand weather

" 14 Plowing sod very fine

" 15 Gang Plowing and sowing Peas Land Dry

" 16 Furing Turnip Land. Seeing R. Hannas Job Fine

" 18 Away all day meeting Judge. Pattersons Ditch Dry

" 19 Cold Rain all day

" 20 Cold Rain and snow. Sow away

" 21 Cleared up. Finished Plowing sod

" 22 Cold Rain all day

" 23 Cold Raw. Sawing wood fixing Fence

" 25 Sowed oats in sod and harrowing Swallows here

" 26 Gang Plowing Turnip land

" 27 Finished Plowing sowing wheat. Frost all {three?} nights

" 28 Sowing oats. Harrowing wheat Planted 3 drills Potatoes. Cold

" 29 Finished Sowing Cold and dry

" 30 Done with harrowing all seeding done in 4 1/2 days but Peas

May 2 To Bridge at Dracon Re wire. Cleanig {Cleaning} wheat to Belwood night Heavy Rain & thunder

" 3 To Salem with Grist {? illegible - appears to be crossed out} chop to Fergus. Cold

" 4 To Salem for grist Raw Cold

" 5 very heavy frost too much to Harrow

" 6 A. {Agnes} Lib to Guelph. Harvey Cull Died aged 79.9 mos

1898

May 7 very Cool Rolling Dry

" 8 (Sunday) To Guelph to H Culls Funreal {Funeral}

" 9 Harrowing Root land To Belwood Re Dow & Bridge on 5th

" 10 Plowing for mangolds, Rain all afternoon warm

" 11 Drilling " " Heavy thunderstorm & Hail

" 12 Frost. Sowing " Corn. Beans & Carrotts {Carrots} Death of {... Jno? cut off}

" 13 To Arthur. Cold Raw day

" 14 Mrs Jno {John} Blacks Funreal {Funeral}. Wild Plums in BI {Bloom - cut off}

" 16-17-18 Rather Cool and Backward

" 19 Heavy Rain last night and this mornig {morning} Hail. Thun {Thunder - cut off}

" 20.21 Ground very wet work on Root land stoped {stopped}

" 23 At Eramosa Towlin {Townline} and 20-21 with R. Hanna

" 24 To Beland Re. Painting fine

" 25. 26. Warm Grand growing weather (26) A. {Agnes} & L. {Liz} to G {Gerries? cut off}

" 27 Bert Milne here Plowing very warm

" 28 Court of Rivision {Revision} Rain

" 30 Cool Planted Potatoes & corn Bean Carrotts

" 31 very Cool this morning Planted Corn & Potatoes on {...? cut off}

June 1 To Wm {William} Hamiltons in morning Fergus afternoon

" 2 Plowing for Turnips very hot

" 3 " " " A. {Agnes} to Fergus to church

- " 4 very hot and dry
- " 6 Finished plowing for Turnips to Belwood Re {Hill..? cut off} Rain
- " 7 Sowing Turnips scuffling mangolds Hot. E {? cut off}
- " 8 Light showers and cooler
- " 9 Sowing Turnips to Carlaw and Martins Fenc {Fence - cut off}
- " 10 A very heavy Rain at night
- " 11 To Nichol Townline with Dow Rainy aftern {afternoon - cut off}
- " 13 Cooler. and Showery all day
- " 14 To R. Hannas and Down Orangeville Road to Feg {Fergus? cut off}
- " 15 Let Filling 4th Line Bridge. Eramosa Townline after very cool at night

1898

June 16 Cool and Dry. Letting Jobs on Singers Division

- " 17 Away Re Allison road case Harrowing Potatoes
- " 18 Council meeting Rain. Cool
- " 20 Letting Jobs on Orangeville Road. and Div No. 1. Cool
- " 21 Meeting E. Gara {East Garafraxa} & Erin Mun {Municipality} on Townline. Cool
- " 22 With Scarrow all day. Still cool
- " 24 Finished Sowing Turnips. Washed sheep warmer
- " 25 To Ellis Ditch and letting Jobs with Hanna
- " 27 Seeing Hill at W. Gerries Station Road work
- " 28 Road work quite Cool
- " 29 With Surveyor Re Fences Allison
- " 30 with Surveyor to McLelland & Carlaw Martin very heavy Rain last night and to day & hot

July 1 Warm Rain. Thunder. Clipped sheep

- " 2 very hot. Down to Leybornes and to Fergus
- " 4 To Belwood in Forenoon. With Henderson E. {Towlin..? Townline? page cut off} afternoon
- " 5 To See ditch at Munroes. A. Burns

- " 6 Cooler visiting House of Industry Rennie Raig {Raising}
- " 7 Scuffling Turnip to D Ritchies Garden party
- " 8 Scuffling Turnips and Potatoes. Ra {Rain?}
- " 9 Warm. Rain. To Bretts and Belwood
- " 11 Heavy Frost last night Putting Green on Potatoes to {Toll Pattisons Ditch not?}
- " 12 To Belwood Re Bridge Drill shed. Fergus Re Mitchell
- " 13 To Thos Martin Re Ditch hot and Dry
- " 14 Mowing and scuffling mangolds
- " 15. 16 very hot no rain for 10 days
- " 18 Started haying some Rain
- " 19 all day at Martin - Carlaw fence. Rain
- " 20 . 21 very hot with Surveyor at Ellis's Ditch hay all cut
- " 22 With Surveyor to Fergus to Faskin
- " 23 Drawing in Hay very hot
- " 25 Some rain Cutting Hay in Pasture

1898

- July 26 Scuffling Turnip 2nd time Hay all in Serious {drought? cut off}
- " 28 hot Dry Meeting C. Groves on Fergus townline
- " 29 To C. Gerries funreal {funeral} (Nichol) and S.S. Picnic to {R...? cut off}
- " 30 still Blazing hot water scarce
- " 31 (Sunday) Jas. Gerrie and wife here
- Aug 1 Pulling Peas Cooler
- " 2 To Guelph Some rain
- " 3 Tremendous high wind to Belwood letting {Gra..? cut off}
- " 4 Dry. Dry. With Fergus Reeve Letting Townline {Gr..? cut off}
- " 5 " Hot With Surveyor on Martin Ditch 25- {..? cut off}
- " 6 The Drouth {Drought} Getting Serious. no rain for a month

" 8 Cutting oats (9) Do {same as before} frost (10) Do {same as before} Still dry

" 11 Cutting wheat Dry. Drier & Hot. Hotter

" 12 To Fergus to See Faskin Re. Carlaw Road Stewar {Stewart - cut off} Her {Here - cut off} Heavy and Rain Last nig {night - cut off}

" 13 Council meeting. Cooler. D Milne here cutting

" 15 D Milne here Cutting all cut but Swamp

" 16 Peas all pulled Dry

" 17-18-19 Drawing in still dry

" 20 started to Cut Swamp

" 22 all drawed in that is cut. Still dry

" 23 D. Milne threshing a heavy Rain at night

" 24 Showerly. to see Mathieson & to Belwood let T. Rea

" 25 " to Elora School arbitration

" 26 To Clarks Re Ellis's Ditch. Passed Tail Race Bridge

" 27 Cutting oats. To Luther Townline Re. Ditch {opposite?}

" 29 To see Bridge on 7th Line Lot 22

" 30 Finished cutting. very Hot

" 31 all drawed in Fair crop but we are sufferi {suffering - cut off} from {Drought? cut off}

Sepr 1 Tibbitts threshing very hot 90 in shade

" 2 Watsons " 95 To Fergus seeing Boyle {Glenlamond? cut off}

" 3 Council Meeting Still hot over 90.

" 4 (Sunday) Thunder & Rain this morning Cool

1898

September 5 Raining Forenoon to Clerk Re Martin Ditch

" 6 Rain this morning started Plowing hot

" 7 Plowing Cooler weather

" 8-9-10 Plowing fine wether {weather} 8th John Craigs Funreal {Funeral}

" 11 (Sunday) Heavy Frost over to see the remains of Jas Laing

" 12 Letting fitting Bridges S J Glen Rolling got wheat

" 13 Sowing Fall Wheat and Harrowing Rain

" 14 up to Clerk Letting Ellis Ditch

" 15 warm John Henderson here

" 16 Letting Martin Ditch. Gang Plowing

" 17 Letting Balance of Ellis's Ditch

" 19 To Glenlamond for Plank took it Belwood

" 20 To J. Richardsons threshing Cleaning up Barn

" 21 With Council to model farm. very Fine day

" 22 Threshing. Fair turn out Rain at night

" 23-24 Rain. Misty. Warm

" 26 Drawing Ties and Wood from Swamp

" 27 Cleaned Wheat and went to Salem with grist

" 29 started to draw out manure warm 87 in shade, Plebisite on Prohibition (Dominion) For 278,463 maj
{majority} 13,884 against 264,579

" 30 Drawing manure 88 in shade Shower at night

October 1 " " Warm and growth like spring

" 3 Drawing manure. Warm

" 4 & 5 Rainy Belwood show

" 6 Finished manure. started to Plow

" 7 Meeting in Belwood to choose reform Delegates

" 8 To Bee at R. Blacks Clearing Land

" 10 Reform Convention in Fergus J. M Gibson choosen

" 11 Selecting Jurors & Seeing Survey 5th Line Lot 20 Heavy Rain

" 12 Fine. Ram to Ewes got apples at D. Milnes

" 13 Very heavy Rain to J. Richardsons at night

" 14 Rainy up to Alexanders Letting culverts

1898

October 15 Finished Plowing in manure for Next year Ra {Rain} Cold

" 17 To Fergus with Chop {Haines?} thrshg {threshing}

" 18 started Potatoes Thin Crop

" 19 To Jennie Burrs wedding Heavy Rain

" 20 Lifting Potatoes. To Nomination Local Gibson {R..? cut off} {Couglan? cut off}

" 21 Finished Potatoes. Killed a pig D. Milne Rain

" 22 Rain more or less all day and Colder

" 24 started mangolds. up to Tp {Township?} Clerks & Bures

" 25 finish mangold Carotts {carrotts} and Cabbage fin {fine} day

" 26 Rain forenoon Plowing afternoon to meeting in Bel {Belwood - cut off}

" 27 Cold snowig {snowing} Election day. Gibson Elected {508...? cut off}

" 28 Piling mangolds harrowing out Turnips

" 29 Drawing Turnips all day

" 31 " " Swedes all Harrowed up {C..? cut off}

Novr 1 very fine to Elora with Returns Re Election

" 2 finished Turnips medium crop

" 3 helping D.M. (4) helping Thompson with {illegible - cut off}

" 5 Board of Health meeting Thunder & Heavy Rain

" 7 Council meeting Frosty

" 8 Court Re Edwards Taking out Jam in Grov {Grove? cut off}

" 9 Rain ni {in} forenoon Plowing afternoon

" 10 A Heavy storm of Snow all day and nigh {night - cut off} with wind and frost Drifts 3 ft Deep

" 11 Cleared up Sleighs Running to Belwood Re Black {G? cut off}

" 12 Fine went with Hanna to Montrose to see Bowman

" 14 To Bostwick Ditch with Mathieson

" 15 To Fergus with chop High wind

" 16.17.18 Misty milder very slushy. Rain

" 19 D. Milne threshing. Plows going

" 21 To Guelph Re Nichol union school {illegible - page cut off}

" 22 Returned Rain and a snowy night

" 23-24-25 Cold Clear Weather

1898

Novr 26 Snowing all Day Sleighing

" 28 Sold Pigs to J. Armstrong took them To Fergus

" 29 Drawing wood from Jam in Irving River

" 30 " " more snow good sleighing

Decr 1 Took 2 Cattle to Fergus Kyle & Shortreed stormy

" 2 & 3 Fine working at the Jam Timber

" 4 (Sunday) heavy fall of Snow in evening

" 5 Started to go for Brick for Thompson too stormy

" 6 Christmas Fair Day few Cattle good Prices. stormy

" 7 Survey Roads Blocked Alexander Leith Born

" 8 Rennie Threshing Roads Badly Drifted

" 9 " " " " "

" 10 " " Finished at noon

" 11 (Sunday) the storm ended to night {tonight} lasting 7 days Being the worst for many years so Early in the season

" 12 Getting Roads Broke Drifts 8 feet deep

" 13 To Fergus with chop. 3 Below Zero

" 15 Council Meeting. Milder

" 16 Drawing Brick for Wm Thompson Back Roads

" 17 Drawing home wood. Mild

" 19 County nomanation {nomination} Fergus. Henderson. Martin. Groves. {McD...? cut off}

" 20 a thaw misty and rain all day

" 21 still soft Killing Pigs at Thompsons

" 22 Raining Stewart here. Killed Pig Jas Milne

" 23 Froze up again. Cleaned grist took it to Salem

" 24 to D. Milnes threshing and to Belwood

" 26 Municipal nomination Moir. McLellan Reeves & not {... illegible} Singer. Black Scarrow Hanna {Deans?} Stewart. Council

" 27 D. Milne Finished threshing very stormy

" 28 Annual School meeting J.H. Black reelected

" 29 a thaw to Salem for flour

" 30 Heavy Rain last night but turning cold again

1898

Decr 31 very Cold but Clear very icy a lot of Snow fallen up to date but no great fro {frost? cut off}

1899

Jany 1 (Sunday) Fine Crisp Clear day

" 2 Municipal Election McLellan Reeve. Black Han {Hanna? cut off} Singer Scarrow

" 3 Milder thaw started

" 4 Rain all day. Broke up the Rivers

" 6 Snow again to Guelph Sleighing nearly gone J. Milne threshing

" 7 A Terrible day of storm and cold

" 9 Still cold to Belwood giving up Council Box

" 10 10 Bleow {Below} Zero. Killing Pigs and Heifer J. Richa {Richardson - cut off}

" 11 15 " " Sow away {crossed out Killed Pig D. Milnes}

" 12 Milder To Fergus

" 13 Quite soft. Killing Pig at D. Milnes

" 14 Rain again (15) Sunday very fine

" 16-17 Clear fine and moderate frost

" 18 To Fergus got oatmeal. very fine

" 19 Still fine Sow away Burgher here {Prun...? cut off}

" 21 Snowy. Cutting wood & Cleaning oats

" 22 to 28 Laid up with Grip. Fine clear wether {weather} Except 26th a great Blow (28) L. took {d...? cut off}

" 30 stormy 15 below Zero Lib to Fergus (for 2 w {weeks? cut off}

Feby 1-4th fine sharp weather Calm Laid up with G {Grip - cut off}

" 6 Coldest day so far 22 below zero

" 7-8 fine back to jam for wood

" 9 _ below Drifting and very cold

" 10 33 Below from this on to the 13th about 20 B {Below? cut off} Calm & Bright

" 14 Decidedly milder Killing at Pig for D. {...? cut off}

" 17 To Fergus with chop. Clear

" 18 A Thaw Lib to Fergus

" 20-21 A real thaw and a lot of snow gon {gone - cut off}

1899

Feby 22 5 in snow fell to Belwood with cow for Watson

" 23 Fine clear and Frosty

" 24 Bright Frosty 5 Below

" 25 " " at John Richardsons Threshing

" 26 Rain Freezing as it fell (Sunday) heavy Rain at night

" 27 frost and stormy afternoon

" 28 fine forenoon heavy snow and drifting A.M mild

March 1 Clear frosty. Mother Died 86 yrs 9 mos

" 2 " milder

" 3 Soft with Rain. Funreal {Funeral} of my mother

" 4 A Heavy fall of Snow

" 5 (Sunday) very stormy deep drifts

" 6 Clear Cold storm at night

" 7-8-9 Clear and frosty

" 10 Milder again Snow going

- " 11 very soft Great flood River partly Broke up (Killed sheep for Rennie
- " 13 Frosty again and snow
- " 14 Easter fair sold 2 Cattle good Prices soft
- " 15 Rain Heavy all day but cold
- " 16 Froze up again and very icy
- " 17 another snowfall
- " 18 Soft and some Rain
- " 19 (Sunday) one of the Driftiest of the season
- " 20 still Rough Killed a Pig
- " 21 Terrible drift. Train stuck to Salem with Grist
- " 22 mild Rain and thunder at night
- " 23 froze up again and stormy
- " 25 Drawing Turnips for D. Milne and to Salem for Grist a very stormy afternoon and night
- " 27 fine and Clear but Roads Blocked
- " 28 a Dirty Rainy snowy day
- " 29 the stormiest day of the Winter Great drifts

1899

March 30 Clear and cold

- " 31 Good Friday. A Ewens sale Clear very cold

April 1 First Lambs. Stormy. Best sleighing of the Seas {Season - cut off}

- " 2 Easter Sunday. Rough & stormy Cold
- " 3 & 4 Clear and cold. good sleighing yet
- " 5 Cutting a load of wood for Watson and Draw {Drawing? cut off}
- " 6 Took steer to Wm Browns and went to Fergus
- " 7 Soft and sleet helpin Rennie with Grainry {Grainery}
- " 8 Cold and raw some Snow. Wheels Running
- " 10 Clear and thawing to {Allerdyces? Sale Sleighing d {done? cut off}

- " 11 To W. Thompsons for wood killed Pig Thundersto {Thunderstorm - cut off} and heavy Rain
- " 12 Great thaw ice went of {off} Wilsons dam taking Bridge
- " 13 all Jams on River gone to day highest flood for ye {years - cut off} Taking 3 Bridges in East Gara {Garafraxa} and Sixth Line and {Humes?} & McQuarries dams in west Gara. {Garafraxa} on the Gr {Grand river?} and 5th Line on Irvine and doing great damage Elora Galt and Brantford
- " 14 Thawing good Helping Chapman to kill P {Pig? cut off}
- " 15 Thawing Choring to Byson to Dr at night
- " 16 (Sunday) Colder 2 inches of Snow
- " 17 new snow gone Thawing
- " 18 very warm Funreal {Funeral} of Rich McClellan (Putting on {Boo..? cut off})
- " 19 very fine filling up oats Some Plowing
- " 20 to Fergus with oats 31 cts warm
- " 21 to Caldwells for Barley started Plowing {...? cut off} a long disagreeable winter with Sudden cha {change? cut off}
- " 22 Plowing very hot but frost not out
- " 23 (Sunday) fine River men here. Cordwood
- " 24 fine plowing (25) Finished Plowing sod
- " 26 Sowing oats on sod very warm
- " 27 Furing Turnip land and Rolling {R. ?} {Richardson? cut off} Logs Down and men here all night

1899

April 28-29 very hot Plowing where Turnips were (spring)

- " 3 {30 - text somewhat faded} stopt {stopped} for wet Digging up Drain

May 1 very hot to Fergus for tile Thunder and Rain Put in tile and finished Plowing spring field

- " 2 Sowing wheat oats & grass seed
- " 3 Plowing up Fall wheat which is a General failure Killed out in winter by Ice Trees well in leaf
- " 4 Cooler. Gang Plowing & Plowing on track
- " 5 Sowing Grass seed. Rain wild Plums in bloom
- " 6 Warmer finished sowing all but wet Piece Rolling Planted Potatoes on Track
- " 8 Fine To Fergus getting Buggy top fixed

" 9-10 Choring and helping house clean heavy Rain 10

" 11 Plowing for D Milne

" 12 " " " Byron took Cedars to Grand Pa

" 13 Rainy morning A {Agnes} to Fergus Picking stones

" 14 (Sunday) Cold Heavy Frost Ice 1/2 inch thick

" 15 Frost Ice young Pigs

" 16 Cold Rain making wheelbarrow

" 17 Cold and Rainy still

" 18 " To Fergus to W.C. Reids sale

" 19 " " " Got Boots for Charlie

" 20 still Cold to Letting of Bridges 5th & 6 Lines

" 22 Gang Plowing sowing Barley Harrowing Finished Calf

" 23 Harrowing Root Land Plowing for Potatoes

" 24 finished Plowing " " "

" 25-26 Cold wet Cutting Potatoes Sowed Patch of Barley in Wheat

" 27 {28 crossed out} Rainy and cold

" 28 (Sunday) a lot of Thunder and Rain

" 29 very heavy Thunderstorms and Rain

" 30 Cleared up and dried very fast Cows out

{Sideways on right side of page} River rose 17 in

1899

May 31 Dry Funreal {Funeral} of Jas Milne Sr

June 1 Planting potatoes Sowing corn & { c Hora?}

" 2 Sowing carrots Planting cabbage

" 3 Harrowing and Plowing for Turnips

" 5 Finished Plowing for Swedes. lots of Thunder {w..? cut off}

" 7 Sowed 1/2 Swedes warm Thunder & Rain

" 8 Cool. Drove to Guelph Got {Bd?} of Turnip {illegible - cut off}

" 9 Cool. Clipped sheep. Frost

" 10 Filling up beam that was chocked and dug up

" 12 Misty and in the afternoon a very heavy Ra {Rain - cut off}

" 13 Warmer. Finished Sowing swedes Rain at nigh {night - cut off}

" 14 Powing {Plowing} swamp for soft Turnips. another heavy R {Rain - cut off}

" 15 Rainy in Forenoon Cleared up in afternoon

" 16 Finished Plowing swamp for Greystones

" 17 Harrowing Land wet

" 19 Drilling for Greystones

" 20 Sowing " Cold afternoon

" 22 To Fergus with oats. To Belwood got Boots

" 23 To O.A.C. {Ontario Agricultural College?} With R. Thompson and Edna

" 24 Dry all this week and Rather Cool

" 26 started Road work Cool Gravelling

" 27 Road work. Warmer

" 28 a nice rain all day Cool. Bright North

" 29 Road work to Alexa Mitchells Funreal {Funeral}

" 30 The month has ended very Cool

July 1 Finished Sowing Turnips. hoeing Corn

" 3 Scuffling Potatoes and thinning Turnips Gang {P? cut off}

" 4 Thunder storm Last night heavy Rain

" 5 up to Clerks (Tp) {Township} Rain

" 6 Putting Paris Green on Potatoes on Track

" 7 Cutting thistles on Corn. Sara M. here heavy Rain thunder at n {night - cut off}

" 8 Drawing Earth and wood. Cooler

1899

July 10 To Elora with wool and to A Moirs

" 11 Finished thinning Swedes Rain Last night

" 12 Warm to Guelph with straw

" 14 Putting Paris Green on Potatoes

" 15 Mowing odd Corners. rain at night

" 17 " " " scuffling Greystone Turnips New Potatoes

" 18 Started to cut fall wheat. and mow with machine

" 19 Mowing. Coling. To Fergus to see Dr

" 20 Drawing in Hay. Rain heavy Thunder

" 21 Coling finished Cutting hay fine crop

" 22 Drawing in finished coling hay

" 24 hay all in. Cutting fall wheat

" 25 Cutting. Rain very warm thinning white Turnips

" 26 mowing Pasture Field. rain at night

" 27 hoeing . coling. Cool. Byron at Rennie since Monday

" 28 Cutting wheat Drawing hay Scuffling

" 29 Fall wheat cut Mrs Kitchen here

" 31 hoeing turnips. Drawing in wheat Cutting Barley

August 1 finished thinning white Turnips & Swedes {2 ne...? illegible}

" 2 Fall wheat all in

" 3 To Fergus took Load of Evergreens for arches

" 4 very warm S.S. Pic Nic {picnic} in Wm Hannas Bush

" 5 Cutting Barley Mrs J. Williams here

" 7 Old Boys day in Fergus Large Crowd Fine

" 8 Heavy Frost last night. Cool and windy

" 9-10-11 very dry and high winds ripening Grain fast

" 12 Cutting oats. Still dry

" 14 " wheat and Barley. Byron to Chapmans

" 15 to 19th Cutting and Binding very warm often 90

" 21 Drawing in Barley wheat and oats Cooler. Byron with J. M Cattle to Fergus

" 22 Cooler Wheat all in Watson threshing

1899

August 23 Cutting oats D. Milne threshing

" 24-25-26 hot and Dry Peas all Pulled

" 28 Cutting oats very warm and dry B. at Thomp {Thompsons? cut off}

" 29 Peas all in oats all cut

" 30 Finished Cutting. finished scuffling White {..? cut off}

" 31 Crop all in. Good. Not a shower Since we started spring crop River said said to lowest {illegible - cut off} Know

Sept 1 Heavy Rain last night & this forenoon no stor {storm? cut off}

" 2 misty looking over Ditch with Jno Wilson

" 4 Thompsons Threshing in afternoon

" 5 D. Milne started to thresh. Then Rain all foren {forenoon - cut off} when we threshed in afternoon

" 6 Finished Threshing moved to D. Milnes finish {finished - cut off} (his Pea {Peas - cut off} Started to cut Buckwheat for Watson

" 7 Started to Plow. to Mrs McDonalds funreal {funeral} heavy Rain at night

" 8 Cleaved up chop and took it to Fergus

" 9 Finished 2nd hoeing of white Turnips A. {Agnes} to Fer {Fergus - cut off}

" 11 Cutting Buckwheat for Watson Byron Plowi {Plowing - cut off}

" 12 Broke Reaper. finished Plowing for Fall wheat J.B. Mullan here. A.L. Baptized. Cool

" 13 Sowing Fall wheat very Cool

" 14 very heavy Frost Cleaning up wheat Gr {illegible - cut off}

" 15 Frost again. Started Big ditch. Cleaning out A.L. & B To Fergus & Salem with Grist

" 16 Working in Big Ditch

" 18 " " B {Byron} Gang Plowing Rain afternoo {afternoon - cut off}

" 19 " " " Harrowing Cool

" 20 " " Started Tile Drain 156 feet {s..? cut off} from Railway Fence (near Crossing) in a direct line to centre of West End of Watsons Barn and 361 ft then in a westerly Direction in line far {Post + g...? cut off}

" 21 Watson Drawing in and threshing Buckw {Buckwheat - cut off}

" 22 Working in Big Ditch Warm Drawing up wo {wood?}

1899

September 23 To Elora for Grist Cool

" 25 A heavy Rain last night and this morning up to Belwood to See McDonald Re Ditch tax

" 26 Cold A {Agnes} & Byron to Fergus Funreal {Funerall} of John Gerries Jr Child

" 27 Digging in Big Ditch all day far end

" 28 Finished " " started ditch from Spring Rain

" 29 Finished Ditches started to lay Tile

" 30 Cold snow Flying finished Tile Drain

October 2 very hard frost Started Potatoes

" 4 warmer Potatoes in Field all up 150 Bu acre

" 5 Finished Potatoes on Track To Belwood show Fine weather

" 6 To Fergus Re. Mitchell security

" 7 very Fine Started to draw manure

" 9-10 " " Drawing manure Finished

" 11 to Fergus with chop Drawed Load of Gravel some rain

" 12 spreading manure. Plowing in Warm (13) do do {ditto}

" 14 manure all spread Thunder & rain D.M.s Ram {p..?} here

" 16-17 Plowing very fine

" 18 To Fergus for Childrens Boots Rain

" 19 Thanksgiving day. Scraping earth from ditch Took up carrots {carrots} warm

" 20 finished home field started where the Peas were

" 21 Started Topping Turnips to Fergus in the evening

" 22 (Sunday) to D Smalls & Jno Youngs Heavy Thunder and Rain all night but warm

" 23 Rain all forenoon Hanna threshing afternoon

" 24 Hanna finished threshing. Drawing Turnips

" 25 Topping and drawing Turnips. very warm

" 26 Laurier in Fergus. Rain all afternoon

" 27-28 a steady rain very heavy on 28th

" 30 very warm Drawing Turnips Swedes all in

" 31 Topping and drawing White Turnips

1899

November 1 Finished Turnips middling Crop. Funre {Funeral - cut off} Jas Johnston very cold but no snow so fa {far}

" 2 To Fergus with J. Burr re Jas Johnston Est {Estate - cut off}

" 3 Drawing wood. Raw & Cold

" 4 To Fergus with Chop and oats

" 6 Helping Jno Watson with Turnips

" 7 at John Richardsons threshing very fine

" 8 very mild Plowing started sod

" 9 at Thompsons threshing fine {Sod? faded}

" 10 at A. Whites Threshing Plowing sod

" 11 D. Milne threshed Warm " "

" 13 Jas Milne threshed

" 14 To Guelph Rain and snow

" 15 Tibbett threshing Mild and misty

" 16 Watson threshing. Plowing sod

" 17 Plowing very fine

" 18 To Fergus with chop very warm

" 20 Grand Weather no frost Plowing & chor {chores - page cut off}

" 21 Opening out Turnip land

" 22 Finised {Finished} sod at D. Raes Sale Raw

" 23 up at the Jam cutting wood and skidding

" 24 James Gerrie here. Watsons shooting match

" 25 Drawing wood and Plowing at Thompson up to date it has been a grand fall neither wet {illegible? cut off}

" 27 Plowing at Jas Milnes ~~Drawing up wood for Pig Killing {Fi...?}~~

" 28 Plowing at Jas Milnes & Killing Pigs at ho {home - cut off}

" 29 To Guelph with Pork and Potatoes. Fine

" 30 Misty mild Gnats flying. no snow or frost

Decr 1 Drawing wood up for J. Gerrie A {Agnes} to Fergus {C...? cut off}

" 2 some snow took load of wood to J. Gerrie

" 4 Frosty. took wood to J. G. Rennie Threshi {Threshing - cut off}

" 5 Finished Drawing wood to J. G. Rennie finished Th {threshing - cut off} Some snow and Hard Frost

1899

Decr 6 Clear and cold Cleaning up Grist & chop

" 7 To Fergus with chop and Elora with grist

" 8 Milder (9) Raw and cold

" 11 a very Heavy rain all day

" 12 Christmas Fair to Elora for Flour a very high wind and Froze up again

" 13 D. Milne threshing Flurries of snow high wind

" 15 to Fergus to meeting of Elavater {Elevator} Coy. sold

" 16 drawing wood with Sleigh

" 18 " " " Rain at night

" 19 Tindales Sale Clear and bright snow gone

" 20 very fine choring fixing Gate & {c ?}

" 21 " " cutting wood in Jas Milnes

" 22 Municipal nomination. very fine

" 23 To Fergus with Turkeys " " Snow at night

" 25 some sleighing Cold and Blustering

" 26 Drawing wood from jam Cold stormy

" 27 annual school meeting " "

" 28 To George Snows sale got chop " "

" 29 T Gibsons & {Diuc?} re school Cuting {Cutting} wood

" 30 Killing a Pig and Drawing wood went to Fergus very cold 22 Below good sleighing

" 31 (Sunday) Still cold 22 Below but calm the season so far has been one of the Finest on record

1900

January 1 Clear and very Frosty

" 2 very stormy Roads Blocked some {plowed?}

" 3 & 4 Clear again but cold

" 5 To Fergus Milder to Watsons at night

" 6 very mild Drawing wood From Jam Sow away

" 7 (Sunday) rainy and soft all day

1900

Jany 8 sleighing all gone Frosty and icy

" 9-10 still Bare and very dangerous roads

" 11 a fall of Snow mild

" 12 sleighing again To Fergus Re Mitchell

" 13 Killing Pig for Watson Snowing mild

" 15 very mild heavy snowfall at night

" 16-17-18 Good sleighing mild Cutting wood Watson

" 19 Drawing wood from Irvine. Thaw

" 20 very soft cutting and drawing wood from {..? cut off}

" 22 mild sleighing about gone To Council m {meeting? cut off}

" 23-24 fine but very icy some rain

" 25 at Jno Richardsons threshing cold at ni {night - cut off}

" 26 Perhaps the coldest day of the season storm {stormy? cut off}

" 27 Quiet and cold milder in evening

" 29 Stormy To Fergus with chop

" 30 " Drove children to school Drew wood from water

" 31 " " " Killing Pigs at J. Richard {Richardson - cut off}

Fby 1 " " To Hutchinsons Leybournes & Fergus

" 2 still cold & stormy To Burrs in Evening

" 3 milder To Fergus in evening got Gauntlets

" 5 heavy snowfall yesterday Roads heavy to Fergus Re H Mitchell

" 7 Milder to R. Stewarts Rain at night

" 8 Rain all day sleighing spoiled again

" 9 River broke up from Glenlamond to Belwoo {Belwood}

" 10 To Fergus in afternoon Re E. J

" 12 mild again to Fergus Re H. Mitchells Rain

" 13 Rain all last night Killing pigs at Jas Miln {Milnes - cut off} Cold at nig {night - cut off}

" 14 hard frost & high wind with some snow

" 15 Fairly good sleighing again

" 17 very fine Sent Chop to Fergus

" 19 very Cold (20) Clear and milder

" 21 East wind some snow (22) Snowing to Nichol {Mutual?} meeting

1900

Feby 23 Wallace Williams Sale good sleighing

" 24 Still snowing @ To D. M. Re meascales {measles?}

" 26 The heaviest Fall of snow for the Season Trains South and East Fairly Demoralized

" 27 Fine again to Fergus Re Mitchell case settled with Franks

" 28 the month ends with a heavy storm Snow deepest yet

March 1-2-3 15 inches of Snowfall and drifted Badly Laid up with Bad eye & throat

" 5 Cold 12 below with N.E. Wind

" 6 A rapid change rained heavy all Forenoon

" 7 Cold Snowing drifting Trains all Late

- " 8 & 9 A Terrible storm about 21 in Snow fall
- " 10 Fine again but Cold
- " 12 stormy again
- " 13 milder to Salem for grist and seeing (Sarah Burt
- " 14 To Toronto Re Carter for sherrif Cold. Zero
- " 15-16 Cold clear down to Zero yet
- " 17 Zero Snowing and blowing very raw
- " 19 milder. To Fergus with chop
- " 20 Rough sold Cattle
- " 21 very stormy took cattle to Fergus cheap sale
- " 23 Cold Raw Killing Pig for Watson
- " 24 still Raw. Cold & Frosty
- " 26 Soft to Belwood getting foot measured for Boots
- " 27 getting wood at Watsons. Snow melting by suns heat
- " 28 Alisons sale Bright Cold
- " 29 To A. Moirs in Nichol lot of snow melted
- " 30 Moving Jno Alison Cold
- " 31 Cold McBain here for oats

{on right side of page and sideways} Apl 101- J {Jam} Broke up 2nd turn on River

April 2 To Fergus Easter Fair Rain & Snow

- " 3 To Wm Loutitt for Reaper {casting?} cold
- " 4 very Frosty but Clear

1900

April 6 slight Rain all day

- " 7 very warm at lot of snow went wet to fergus with wheely fair Roads
- " 8 (Sunday) hard frost again Jam of Ice went
- " 9 very hard frost Clear (10th) Same weather

" 11 Milder cloudy High wind Rain at night

" 12 Misty mild went to Fergus

" 13 Good Friday Drawing out wood in swamp

" 14 Finished Drawing wood frosty yet every night

" 16 Byron at Watsons A. while {Brot?} {seed?} warmer

" 17 wet dripping Day Cordwood Rivermen all ni {night - cut off} Elora Horse show

" 18 a heavy rain all night. first Balmy spring day Watson. Hanna & Rea Plowing. Thunderstorm at nig
{night - cut off}

" 19 Nice warm spring day E went J. Gerrie & {...? cut off}

" 20 very warm Went to Elora Saw oil {mi...? cut off}

" 21 With J. Allison to See {Harmmill?} Cooler

" 22 (Sunday) Rain last night damp & warm tod {today - cut off} Children all down with the measles

" 23 Rain last night warm to day A. Carter here

" 24 Gang plowing and sowing peas warm

" 25 Harrowing finishing sod

" 26 Harrowing sod sowing oats

" 27 " " Cool

" 28 finished Harrowing sod

{on right side of page on a diagonal} Planting Potatoes on Track Dry Cold N.E wind all w {wet? cut off}
land in goo {good - cut off} form

" 30 Gang Plowing. Great Gale of wind & cold

May 1 Sowing Wheat & oats Barley Grass se {seed - cut off}

" 2 Harrowing and rolling young Pigs

" 3 Cold and windy. Plowing up fall wh {wheat - cut off}

" 4 Heavy frost Ice till noon sowing oats g {grass - cut off} seed & Rolling all done but wet {halts?}

" 5 Dry and cold to Fergus for grass see {seed - cut of}

" 7 finished sowing still Cool and frost n {night? - cut off}

" 8 showers all last night & today warmer Lib wet {went} to sewing {sewing bee?} in Fergus

1900

May 9 Colder again with hig {high} wind

" 10 Hard frost Cold all day

" 11 Harrowing at Thompsons like Rain

" 12 warmer Picking over Potatoes thunder & rain at night

" 13 (Sunday) fine and warm about the first morn without frost opening of New Melville Church

" 14 warm Grand growing day wild Plums in bloom

" 15 To Toronto Re Carters case for sherrif warm

" 16 Returned from Toronto Getting cool aain {again}

" 17 Cool and Clear (18) Cool and showery

" 18-19 Cool and very windy Frot {Frost} in mornig {morning}

" 21 Cool and disagreeable high wind

" 22-23 Fencing little Field warmer

" 24 washing sheep looks like rain very warm

" 25 finished Plowing Potatoe land Cutting Potatoes

" 26 Picking stones of Hay land Plowing & Planting corn

" 28 Planted Potatoes 45 Pails of seed Sowed Beans Carrots

" 29 Plowing for turnips filling up Potatoes

" 30 " " " 2 fine showers

" 31 To Guelph with Potatoes @ 30 cts got Salt

June 1 a heavy genral {general} Rain Cooler

" 2 finished plowing Turnip land

" 4 Clipping sheep very warm

" 5 Sowing Turnips hot. news that Pretoria has fallen

" 6 A. {Agnes} To Fergus Put on load of straw

" 7 To Guelph with straw very heavy rain. Thunder

" 8 Cool Too wet to drill for Turnips

" 9 Folks to Fergus to see circus Sowing Turnips

" 11 rain last night Sowing Turnips Harrowing Potatoes

" 12 Finished sowing Turnips fine growth

" 13 Loading straw. Section men Putting up Fence Mrs Burt came off train rain

1900

June 14 To Fergus with Load of straw to F. Templ {Templeton? cut off}

" 15 Putting on load of straw Gravel let

" 16 To Guelph with Load of straw

" 18 Cool nights and warm days

" 19 A. B. & Ida to Model Farm

" 20 Cleaning ditch putting on straw cool nights

" 21 First Pea blossom some rain

" 22 To Guelph with straw showery

" 23 fair and warm

" 25 putting on load of Hay

" 26 To Guelph with Hay warm some show {showers - cut off}

" 27 Road work showers

" 28-29 windy. cool

" 29 very windy slight frost at night

July 1 (Sunday) cool Jhon {John} Moir and wife her {here - cut off}

" 2 warmer thinning Turnips very h {hot? cut off}

" 4 Sunday school law party at S.S. No 2

" 5 still very hot some rain To Fergus

" 7 warm and windy rain A. {Agnes} to A Moirs

" 9 Thinning Turnips Showers

" 10 Putting Paris Green on Potatoes

" 11 Putting on Load of Hay heavy thunderstorm Hail in some places Doing great dama {damage - cut off}

" 12 To Guelph with load of Hay Cool

" 13 warmer and windy shower at night

- " 14 warm and high wind and the usual ra {rain? cut off}
- " 15 (Sunday) new Potatoes & Peas shower at n {night? cut off}
- " 16 Putting on P. Green again 3 thunderstorms
- " 17 scuffling Potatoes Rain
- " 18 Hoeing Potatoes. Cutting Hay with scy {scythe - cut off} Cut some Fall wheat very hot
- " 19 Got new Sulkey Rake

1900

July 20 Fixing Reaper To Fergus with E {Elizabeth} to Dentist

- " 21 started mower warm
- " 23 mowing and coling Hay very hot
- " 24 Drawing Hay in forenoon Terrible storm in the afternoon the worst for 7 years rain and hail
- " 25 To Fergus for feed got Rack fixed
- " 26 Drawing in Hay and mowing Cutting fall wheat
- " 27 Hay all cut good crop fine weather
- " 28 " " Coled up Drawing in
- " 29 (Sunday) Hot Heavy Rain in afternoon
- " 30 Finished Cutting fall wheat
- " 31 Finished Haying R. Mitchells Funreal {Funeral}

August 1 To Fergus Re Dr. Johnston A. Fasken Jr

- " 2 Drawed in Fall wheat Cutting Barley
- " 3 Pulling Flax at J. Watsons Bee very hot
- " 4 Finished Cutting Barley no rain this week
- " 6 Scuffling & hoeing Turnips very hot
- " 7 finished hoeing Turnips 2nd time Barley all in Cuting {Cutting} Timothy for D.M
- " 8 Pulling Peas hot
- " 9 " " went to Fergus with Reaper wheel
- " 10 Still warm away up to 96 in the shade

- " 11 Rain again at night and Cooler
- " 13 Rainy all day to Fergus for Pig feed
- " 14 very hot to Mrs Burns Funral {Funeral} To Belwood with Watson
- " 15 Rain last night Cutting wheat Heavy Rain
- " 16 Cutting wheat still Hot and rain
- " 17 finished wheat Started oats
- " 18 Peas all Pulled Drawing in Peas
- " 20 Heavy Rain last night To Fergus
- " 21 Peas all in Cutting oats
- " 22 R. Thompson her cutting Drawing wheat
- " 23 drawing in oats Finished cutting wheat

1900

August 24 Drawing in oats and cutting

- " 25 " " " very warm
- " 27 Rain last night heavy Rain to day
- " 28 raking stubble and cutting. Dry
- " 29 Lib to Jas Gerries. Wm Gibson Jr Funr {Funeral - cut off}
- " 30 wheat all in finished Cutting D. Kennedys {...? cut off}
- " 31 Still hot Sheaves all in 4 clear days {...? cut off}

Sept 1 finished drawing in Raking meeting in Bel {Belwood - cut off} Selecting delegates to Convention on 7th

- " 3 helping D. Milne Pull Peas. Rain
- " 4 " finished Harrowing Pea la {land - cut off}
- " 5 D. Milne threshig {threshing - cut off}. Rain at night
- " 6 Still warm Putting up scaffolding to th {? cut off}
- " 7 Convention at Fergus (Reform) Semple
- " 8 A. White threshing
- " 10 J. Watson an {and} Jas Milne threshing

- " 11 Tebbett Threshing
- " 12 Last night and to Day very high wind
- " 14 Gang Plowing Harrowing and {feeding?} Cool
- " 15 Sawing wood in To J. Gerries for A. {By..?} at Watson Last 3
- " 17 Fixing Pump and Plowig {Plowing}
- " 18 to Fergus warm and dry (19) Plowing Getting
- " 20 Plowing. Getting wood
- " 21 Getting wood at Jam. to nomination Council r {? cut off} By D. Kennedy Death
- " 22 Plowing Started to draw manure
- " 24 Drawing manure. very hot
- " 25 " " " {asking?} hands
- " 26 Thresing {Threshing} J. Richardson Good Turnout at thompsons for 2 1/2 hours very ho {hot - cut off}
- " 27 Finished drawing manure cooler
- " 28 To Fergus with chop Rennie Thresing {Threshing}
- " 29 Rainy. started to Plow in manure

1900 (38)

October 1 spreading and Plowing in manure

- " 2 manure all Plowed in to Salem with Grist
- " 3 started to take up Potatoes very hot
- " 4 at Potatoes Byron to arthur show with A. W.
- " 5 " " " to Salem for Flour Belwood show
- " 6 Finished Potatoes. very warm The children at work barefooted Second crop of Raspberries Ripe
- " 8 to 11 Plowing the same dry warm Weather
- " 12 Fergus show a great success
- " 13 very hot getting too dry for Plowing
- " 15 Drove to Hespler {Hespeler} and Galt with A {Agnes}
- " 16 Came back from Galt some rain Colder

" 17 heavy frost A. {Agnes} & E {Elizabeth} to Grand valley show

" 18 Thanksgiving day By {Byron} to J. Gerries for apples Sarah Moir here

" 19 Plowing in forenoon Wm Gerrie and wife here Byron to Erin show Killed a lamb

" 20 Topping Turnips to Fergus with chop

" 22 To Fergus for chop Rainy all day slight

" 23 Harrowing up and drawing in Turnips

" 24 " " To Raes Sale warm

" 25 Drawing Turnips. warm children Barefooted Picking Turnips

" 26 very warm Thunderstorm. meeting in Belwood

" 27 Finished turnips. Good Crop both in generosity and quality. But a lot of fields badly Rotted

" 29 warm Misty (30) Do {ditto} Plowing

" 31 Nomination for Dominion Semple. McGowan Rainy

Novr 1 To Fergus with oats got Childrens Boots Rain

" 3 started to Plow sod To Fergus with chop

" 5 To Fergus with Lib. Colder but clear Snow

" 6 Drawing wood from swamp up to Deans

" 7 Polling Day wet snowy McGowan Elected

" 8 Putting up stoves Killed a Pig

1900

Novr 9 Thompson & Hanna thresing {threshing} Cold High {...? cut off}

" 10 Too frosty to Plow in morning Plowing sod af {afternoon? cut off}

" 12 Plowing John Gerries Garden Some sn {snow? cut off}

" 13 started to Grade with Watson Too Fros {Frosty - cut off} Killed Pigs for D. Milne. Snowing heavy

" 14 Good sleighing To Fergus

" 15 " " to Belwood Seeing Co {Cool? cut off}

" 16 Beautiful day Entertainment at sch {school - cut off} No 2 at night Great Success

" 17 Milder misty and some rain

- " 18 (Sunday) thaw last night spoiled s {? cut off}
- " 19 Heavy Rain all day killed Pig fo Rich {for Richardson? cut off}
- " 20 Grading with Watson. Misty Bryron PI {Plowing? cut off}
- " 21 " " " Rainy and very h {hot? cut off} Thunder storm wind Blowed down old Barn built
- " 22 Grading with Watson Byron Plowin {Plowing - cut off} mild some rain
- " 23 To Fergus with Chop Byron with Wats {Watson - cut off}
- " 24 Finished Plowing sod all but headla {headland - cut off} Ewes away Raw East wind
- " 25 (Sunday) Snow again last night storm
- " 26 Fine again to Fergus with Lib got oversh {overshoes? cut off}
- " 27 Mild Choring. Cleaning up old barn
- " 28 Plowing on Track.
- " 29 Took Pigs to Fergus 6 = 1270 mos old @ 5 1/4
- " 30 Raw Damp to Wilsons Sale in Belwood
- Decr 1 very Fine Plows going Cleaning up old B {Barn - cut off}
- " 3 Misty and warm Plowing Potato land
- " 4 Making Butter worker finished Plowing Po {Potatoes - cut off}
- " 5 Colder showers of Snow got oats Choped {Chopped - cut off} at D. {Milne? cut off}
- " 6 " Went to Fergus for sow which failed
- " 7-8 helping John Watson to Put in Culver {Culvert - cut off} on 5th & 6 con Gravel Road

1900

- Decr 10 very Cold and stormy drawing away old Barn
- " 11 " " Choring
- " 12 at Rennies threshing Cold
- " 13 at Fat stock show Guelph stormy
- " 14. 15 at John Richardsons threshing cold
- " 17 Milder at Jas Gerries in the evenig {evening}
- " 18 Mildr {Milder} culling Turnips

- " 19 Culling Turnips Milder very fine
- " 20 To Fergus with load of Turnips
- " 21 very fine Culling Turnips
- " 22 " " To Fergus with Load of Turnips Weather Grand A {Agnes} went To Toronto
- " 23 (Sunday) very Mild and some Rain
- " 24 Sow away. County Council Nom in Fergus. Colder
- " 25 Fine but Frosty
- " 26 a Little Blustry A. {Agnes} home from Toronto
- " 27 Cleaning Grain D. Small here
- " 28 " " to Jno Burrs
- " 29 Cold Watson threshing B. With JM Cattle
- " 31 To Fergus to see Fasken. Nomination TP

1901 (38)

- Jany 1 Stormy no sleighing to D. Smalls
- " 2 stormiest day of winter B with J.M Cattle
- " 3 Fine B. To Fergus with chop
- " 4 went after Chop A {Agnes} to church
- " 5 very fine To Fergus in afternoon
- " 7 Stormy but mild
- " 8 A {Agnes} to Luther with Mrs J. Milne Rain
- " 9 D. Milne threshing rain and Hail
- " 10 " Finished some sleighing
- " 11 Snowing good sleighing

1901

- Jany 12 very stormy deep drifts A & B to F {Fergus - cut off} Sold cattle to John Black 4 1/2 ea Less {..? cut off}
- " 14 Sow away. Council met in Belwoo {Belwood - cut off} A {Agnes} to Hespeler D. Johnston appointed Clerk. Fine sleig {sleighing - cut off}

" 15 Mild and splendid sleighing Mrs List {Lister? cut off} and {...? cut off}

" 16 Lib took Isie to Fergus rain in morn then s {...? cut off}

" 17 Stormy to Fergus in afternoon

" 18 Lib to Blacks. quite stormy

" 19 Cold and Clear. Coldest of winter

{Written along side of page} A {Agnes} still in Hespeler

" 20 (Sunday) Soft and very mild

" 21 vey {very} fine and mild for the season

" 22 Mild Queen victoria Died Aged 81 y {yrs - cut off} 7 mos 28 days having Reigned 63 yrs 7 mos 2 {days? cut off}

" 23 at Treas {Treasurer's} office auditing Tp {Township} accounts

" 24 still fine. (25) Do Do {ditto}

" 25 Some Snow A {Agnes} Home from Hespeler Got Flour. Sale

" 28 Colder and stormy. Lib Back to Blac {Blacks - cut off}

" 30 To Fergus with Chop. Got stuff for Ra {...? cut off}

" 31 Stormy and colder

Feby 1 very stormy for this winter

" 2 Queen Victoria Funreal. {Funeral} Calm and Sunny. Making a wood Rack

" 4-5 Stormy and Drifting Roads Blocked

" 6 Drawing wood from Broadfoots on River

" 7 " " " Cold

" 8 very fine John Richardsons sale Stewart

" 9 the worst storm of the Season

" 11 Fine Drawing wood

" 12 very stormy Roads Blocked

" 13 To Fergus got Beef. Stormy. Mary Rennie {..? cut off}

" 14 very Cold about 12 below zero & Drifting

" 15 Still cold But quiet

1901

Feb 16 Council meeting There as Auditor

" 18 To Guelph with Jno. Burr Re Johnstons

" 19 To Toronto with Carter Re Sheriff stormy

" 20 Cold storms to F. Institute Belwood

" 21 " " Nichol Fire Co meeting Fergus

" 22-23 Still Cold and stormy

" 25 James Dicks Sale very fine day Bright & Clear

" 26 Fine (27) To Fergus with chop

" 28 Cold Moving John Black to Nichol O.S.R

March 1 Stormy but mild

" 2 one of the finest days all winter

" 3 (Sunday) very mild high wind at night

" 4 Mild To Fergus to See Dr Jim Wilson's Funeral

" 5 stormy again and hard Frost

" 6 very hard frost 6 Below

" 7 Milder. To Shiloh See Beechnoir Re wood

" 8 Took in Hay Drawing stumps 8 in of snow fell

" 9 Mild to Beechnoirs for wood. To Burrs R {Re} Cheque

" 10 (Sunday) a storm from East lots of Hail lightining {lightening}

" 11 To Fergus very stormy

" 12 To Fergus For load of D. Smalls moving

" 13 Moving D. Small to Near Keldon one of the stormiest days of the winter 5 in of snow fell

" 14 Came Back from Keldon mild & snowing

" 15 Still mild Roads Bad. River slushy

" 16 Colder. Byron to Shiloh for wood

" 18 Warm Sunny day to Shiloh for wood

" 19 very stormy trains stuck R. Footes Sale

- " 20 Thaw and Rain. D. Small took cows away
- " 21 More Snow and Roads Blocked Drawed wood for A. Hanna
- " 22 Milder Roads soft
- " 23 very fine. Carey. Here for wheat. A {Agnes} to Fergus B. with Watson

1901

March 25 strong thaw Cleaning Grain

- " 26 Soft. Seed fair in Fergus Roads. {...? cut off}
- " 27 Froze up again B. to Fergus with Cho {Chop - cut off}
- " 28 Went to Toronto to Give Evidence by the Good Roads Committee
- " 29-30-31 Clear and Frosty. River broke

April 1 Clear A. {Agnes} to J. Blacks with Mary

- " 2 Raw wind and blustery
- " 3 Snow or Rain all Day . N.E. Winds aw {...? cut off}
- " 4 Milder. O. Heffernans sale
- " 5 Good Friday very warm and sunny
- " 6 Colder again Raw and misty
- " 8 James McDonald Plowing the first (w {...? cut off}
- " 9 Still the same sunny days frosty nights. {...? cut off}
- " 10 " " " John Watson Plowing
- " 11 Sawing wood B. at Watsons Plowing
- " 12 started Plowing. Watson sowing oats To Fergus for Clover seed \$8.25
- " 13 Bert Milne here sowing Wheat and Barley. Wind still from the East. Fr {...? cut off}
- " 15 Fine & Sunny took 3 cattle to Fergus 3 @ 4 {...? cut off}
- " 16 To Fergus with Byron Bot. Bicycle \$16.00 so {sold..? cut off} Bert Milne here sowing oats warm
- " 17 Sowing oats & Peas. Finished sowing 7 Day {Days - cut off} Earlier than when we started last year
- " 18 Rainy all day Cold at night Logs bou {bought? cut off}
- " 19 Hard Frost in morning

" 20 Cold. Snow. a heavy storm and h {high? cut off} wind Drifts 4 feet deep south to N {North? cut off}

" 21 (Sunday) Rain and a rapid thaw

" 22 To A. Moirs Nichol River highest this y {year - cut off} Grand Valley & Waldens Booms Broke

1900

April 23 warmer sawing wood in JI Milnes Bush

" 24 To Belwood with old sulky Rake

" 25 To Fergus with Pump log for spring took down 2 Hogs for D. Milne took up A Hannas wire

" 26 to Belwood with A Hanna for Rope Clutch & {illegible} Swallows

" 27 warm. Byron to D. Milnes Harrowing

" 29. 30. B. at D. Milnes Grand Weather

{sideways on left side of page} The wind {...? cut off} all month but 4 days

May 1 Helping Hanna with Fence at Cowans B. at D.M. Rain

" 2 Sowing Clover on Track. Plowing for mangolds

" 3 yesterday afternoon and this helping Hana Watsons with Watsons fence. By. on River

" 4 To Fergus with Hanna for wire hadn't come Got Penstock for spring Bon River Hamiltons wood

" 6 very warm sowing Mangolds carrots & Beans Bon River

" 7 " " Planted Early Potatoes

" 8 " " A. {Agnes} To Fergus with Jim & Mary

" 9 Thunder last night and Fine Rain Plowing on Track damp day Fixing Gates Wild Plums in Blossom and Trees well in Leaf

" 10 Planted Spruce Trees. Filing up Potatoes

" 11 To Guelph with Potatoes @ 25 Got Linoleum

" 12 (Sunday) Terrible Gale Blowing down Fences unroofing Barns and hail storm Cold

" 13 Fixing barn door. Sow away

" 14 " " " Cold Mrs W. Brown here

" 15 Picking Potatoes with Survey on Rea. Thomson Heavy Frost

" 16 " " Picking Potatoes. Rolling

" 17 Filling up Potatoes. mild

" 18 Fine to Guelph with Potatoes @ 30 cts

" 20 wet morning. Plowing for Potatoes

" 21 Reform Convention Gibson Chosen

" 22 Rain A. & B. to Fergus

1901

May 23 A. To Fergus B. at Raes

" 24 Heavy Rain all day Cutting Potatoes

" 25 Plowing. to Belwood to see Council Calf

" 27 Planted Potatoes 47 Pailfuls 4 drill {drill} Ohio 31 Eleph {...? cut off}

" " 29 Pearls. helping Watson Glenlamond Brid {Bridge - cut off}

" 28 Picking stones off Hay. Plowing

" 29 A {Agnes} to Blacks B. helping A Hanna {dar..? cut off}

" 30 " " " Rainy all day and cool

" 31 Another Heavy rain cool

June 1 To J. Greens for wheat cool Some r {rain? cut off}

" 2 (Sunday) Rain again every day for a {...? cut off} R {rain? cut off}

" 3 Finished Plowing for Turnip to Salem {? cut off}

" 4 Bright and warm. To Belwood Re Grader

" 5 Fine and warm Sowing Turnips B. with {...? cut off}

" 6 Showers. With Survey or on 3rd line Jorl {...? cut off}

" 7 Cold. B. to Salem for Grist rain at n {night - cut off}

" 8 Cold and wet B at Pig Pen

" 10: 11 Loutitts Raising Drilling for Tur {Turnips - cut off} Frost

" 12 Sowing Turnips A To Jas Gerries

" 13 Finished Sowing Turnips Harrow Po {Potatoes - cut off}

" 14 To Fergus for Lumber. To Belwood. Pa {...? cut off} Rain

" 15 Putting Roof on Pig Pen. To to Bridge Watson L. {...? cut off}

" 17 To O.A.C Splendid day

" 18-19 Warm and fine finished thinning m {mangolds? cut off}

" 20 fine rain. With Hanna putting up {...? cut off}

" 21 warm with Hanna at Nesbets fence

" 22 fine warm Thunder and rain. Gravel 36 ct {...? cut off}

" 24 warm at Geo Shortreeds Funreal {Funeral}

" 25 Choring. very warm. A. {Agnes} To S.S. Con. Belw {Belwood - cut off}

" 26 Helping A. Hanna at Blacks Fence Peas in {...? cut off}

" 27-28 Road work very Hot over 90 in the shad {shade - cut off}

" 29 Scuffling Turnips Putting Green on Potatoes

{sideways in left column} The Hottest day in June for 60 years - 97 in Toronto

1901

July 1 Hot Hoeing corn & Potatoes and thinning carrots & Turnips L. & M. to Pic Nic {picnic}

1901

August 28 Fair Hot Tebbutt threshing 1/2 day finished 9 P.M

" 29 Turned out stooks very wet More Rain and thunder A Came Back from Stewarts. Still Hot

" 30 still some rain and warm

" 31 To Belwood A to Fergus heavy rain thresher Bees Rain every day this week but Wednesday

Sepr 1 (Sunday) To Stewarts and Jno Youngs Rain

" 2 Plowing and drawing wood from Jas Milne Bush

" 3 Finished Harvest should have all in 2 weeks ago but delayed by the Rains light crop

" 4.5.6 Dry and Warm

" 7 To Fergus for Sewer Pipe for Culvert on 4th lot 9

" 9 Putting in Culvert on 4th Lot 9

" 10 Taking down old Barn Rain at night

" 11 Thompsons threshing Cool Cloudy

" 12 To Fergus with Hogs (2) 360 @ 7 Rainy forenoon

- " 13 Getting wood for threshing A. to Fergus warm
- " 14 Byron helping Wm Richardson to draw timber
- " 16 Threshing rather Poor Turn out very high wind To see Patteson Ditch Court at Fergus on same
- " 17 Byron to Wm Thomsons threshing
- " " Building Sheep House
- " 18 " " Frost with Ice the first of Season
- " 19-20 " " Cold and Rainy
- " 21 B. to McBains Threshing for Watson
- " 23-24 working at sheep House warm
- " 25 Put up last {Bent?} " " started manure
- " 26 Drawing manure very fine Weather

1901

Sept 27 at manure B. to Fergus show in after {afternoon}

- " 28 Finished manure 70 loads. Dry & warm
- " 29 (Sunday) heavy rain last night and to day
- " 30 Spreading manure & cutting Corn A. & E To F {Fergus? cut off}
- October 1 Plowing in manure. Thunder & Rain Digging Potatoes at Teb {Tebetts? cut off}
- " 2 Plowing in and spreading manure
- " 3 Manure all spread. Raining afternoon Flakes of snow
- " 4 Manure all Plowed in Corn all cut still
- " 5 Started Potatoes. Cold. To Fergus Re Suga {Sugar? cut off}
- " 7 out with A. Brown Canvassing for Sugar B {...? cut off}
- " 8 Potatoes all up Good Crop about 275 Bu {...? cut off} on an acre John at Rennies fine & war {warm - cut off}
- " 9 started Mangles. Belwood Show damp
- " 10 Rainy to Fergus
- " 11 Wet morning at mangles all afternoon
- " 12 Piling and finishing drawing mangles good 17 Loads

" 14 {Digging?} Potatoes Plowing

" 15 To Salem for Flour. Working at Buil {Build? cut off}

" 16 B. to Guelph with Potatoes 23 Bags @ 45 cts Mary down to have her Eyes Tested Col {Cold? - cut off}

" 17 at Building Cold Blustery First Snow gra {gra...? cut off} Wh {...? cut off}

" 18 B. at Erin show. Plowing Cold

" 19 Took up Carrots and Cabbage Plowing

" 21 Working at Building fine but Cool

" 22 To Elora for Lumber Topping Turnips

" 23 Harrowing and drawing in Turnips fine C {...? cut off}

" 24-25 " " " " "

" 26 Turnips all in Grand Crop 57 Swede and 9 Greystone from 2 1/2 acres. Some Elephants Rotten but Hartleys Bronze Top free from

" 28-29. 30 Boarding in and Roofing Building fine and warm 29 Calf 30 Pigs

John & Charles at D.M. {sideways on left column}

1901

October 31 warm Rain at night folks to J. Blacks

Novr 1 to Elora for Lumber warm

" 2 Roof all on Building very warm and quiet

" 4-5 Got Hen house done

" 7 Finished Plowing all but Sod

" 8 started to Plow sod which was very dry To Mrs Richardsons Funreal {Funeral} Daughter of Wm

" 9 Put in Tile from Barn Cold

" 11 Leveled Building Floor got implements in Rain

" 12 Plowing John Gerries Garden went to Belwood Re Post Hole digger. Cattle all tied in Cold Snow

" 13 Watson threshing too Frosty to Plow Snowing Presentation to Miss Day

" 14 A. Went to Browns

" 16 Funreal {Funeral} of Geo Gerrie Belwood

" 18 To Fergus in morning to Belwood in evening D Milne Threshing

" 19 John Richardson Threshing Fine Frosty

" 20 " " " Mrs L. Brown Died

" 21 Clear and sunny Mrs Browns Funreal {Funeral}

" 22 Finished pulling down old Barn. Jas Milne Threshing

" 23 Some snow last night Cold

" 24 (Sunday) Soft Rainy Snow at night

" 26 Cold Snowing & Blustry Sleights Running

" 27 Clear Cold Ewes away T. Burns Sale

" 28 Thanksgiving day Clear & Frosty. Dr. Johnston attending Mary

" 29 Soft Misty With Reeve & Surveyor 3rd Line

" 30 Fine. To Fergus with cutter

Decr 1 (Sunday) Soft some Rain sleighing gone

" 3 Cold. helping Watson to Kill a Pig Jno Richardson here {sideways in right column} To Bellwood For Flour

" 4 Cutting wood to Wm Tindales sale Cold

" 5 very fine drawing in Turnips

" 6 Fine Cold A. B. & John to Fergus

1901

December 7 Fine cutting wood

" 8 (Sunday) Heavy Fall of snow

" 9 John Rennie threshing in Forenoon

" 10 at Geo Danas Funreal {Funeral}

" 11 A. Lib & myself to Fat stock show Ga {..? cut off} with Cutter Fine day & good sleighi {sleighing}

" 12 mild Rennie Threshing

" 13 Rennie Finished heavy Rain

" 14 Heavy Rain all Forenoon Snow after

" 15 (Sunday) Froze up again A. & Edna to Stewarts w {with? cut off} G {..? cut off}

" 16 -17 Clear cold 15 below Zero

" 18 To Belwood with boots and milk Tank. C {...? cut off}

" 19 To Duckworths and Burrs Cold

" 20 To Duckworths Sale. Cold

" 21 To Belwood. To Fergus & Elora Seeing Rich {Richardsons...? cut off} very Cold week no wind averaging 10 below {below - cut off}

" 23 very mild and Calm

" 24 " " Some Snow at night

" 25 Grand mild day. Edna & Mr Gerrie H {Here - cut off}

" 26 still mild and quiet L. to Belwood

" 27 " " To Watsons in the evening

" 28 Still mild " 30 Fine Municipal nomination {nomination} accl {acclaimed - cut off} (Reeve Black. Singer. Deans. Stewart {...? cut off}

" 31 First storm of the winter but it only half a day. The month has been one the Finest in my recollection 2 ra {...? cut off} days only at R & W Thompsons in ev {evening? cut off}

1902

Jany 1 very fine Sunny and mild

" 2 Fine fixing sheep House. stormy at {? cut off}

" 3 Cold and Drifting

1902

Jany 4 Cold windy day sow away (Barnetts)

" 6 mild to Fergus with Chop

" 7 up to Broadfoots for 3 Girls very mild

" 8 very mild heavy fall of Snow 5 in good sleighing helpin {helping} Rennie to kill a Pig. Put girls up in sheep house

" 9 Took Hog to Fergus for A Hanna Sold 5 weiners to Wm Beattie for 15: 50 average wt 45 lbs

" 10 Took Pig from J. Richardsons and Killed it Wt Live 490. Dressed 372 Price \$4.50 Live mild

" 11 Cut up Pig took home Ewes Drifting some Lib to Fergus

" 13 opening up Groves Hospital

- " 14 Meeting of Reform executive T. Martin organizer
 - " 16 Colder A. Newmans Sale
 - " 17 Farmers Institute meeting in Belwood went to Both meetings
 - " 18 To Clarks Taylors & c Re J Richardson Presentation
 - " 20 Somewhat stormy B. to F. B Andersons
 - " 21 Fine meeting here at night Re J. Richardson Cold at night
 - " 22 First Big draft of season to Fergus in evening CPR Train Cancelled
 - " 23 Helping J. Black to open sand pit cold
 - " 24 To Belwood auditing TP accounts mild
 - " 25 very fine Helping Black at Sand Pit
 - " 27 very stormy and cold
 - " 28 Cold 10 Below to Fergus Re address
 - " 29 Fine Presentation to John Richardson
 - " 30 Fine A to Fergus
 - " 31 wind East Raw B drawing sand for Black
- Feby 1 Fine Mild & sunny
- " 2 A storm and heavy drifts Edna Came
 - " 3 storm Continues Roads Roads fairly Blocked Nothing like this winter
 - " 4 To Fergus on the River stormy still
 - " 5 Cleared up mail came Colder

1902

- Feby 6 snowing A to John Richardsons
- " 7 John Richardsons sale very stormy
 - " 8 another stormy day
 - " 9 (Sunday) very stormy roads blocked again only one day Fair for a week
 - " 10 Breaking Roads and Cleaning up Grain
 - " 11 To Fergus with Chop to Salem with Grist very cold

- " 12 Helping Jno Rennie to Kill a heifer Roads {Blocked..? cut off} and still Cold
- " 13 Cold Rough sawing wood
- " 14 To Belwood in morning. Fergus afternoon Re I {...? cut off} Drinking
- " 15 very Fine to Council Meeting with Auditors {rep..? cut off}
- " 16 (Sunday) Fine again Edna home & Mary
- " 17 Clear. Cold and Frosty
- " 18 Cold A. and Lib to Guelph
- " 19 very Cold but Clear and Calm
- " 20 To Fergus Insurance meeting H. Webst {Webster - cut off} Elected Director B. to Salem for Grist Fin {...? cut off}
- " 21 very Fine to Felkers sale Bot Cow \${3? cut off} 10 mos Traders Bank Grand Valley
- " 22 another Pleasant sunny day
- " 24 Fine Took Pigs to Murphys for Watson sleighing
- " 25 to Fergus helping Thompson Load Bull very m {mean? cut off}
- " 26 a lot of snow gone. Cattle sale in Guelph
- " 27 still soft Rain at night
- " 28 Rainy. Sleighing gone wheels running
- March 1 more Rain. River Broke up
- " 3 Snow. Fair sleighing A To Fergus (Tebbutts {...? cut off}
- " 4 B. drawing logs For A. Hanna Fine
- " 5 Fine To Belwood re Howes Children
- " 6 " Presented Tebbutts with Chian & {...? cut off}
- " 7 To Fergus Seeing J. Beattie Re Howes Ch {Children - cut off}

1902

- March 8 To Elora with H. McDonald Seeing Police Magistrate Burn Re Howes Children Storm afternoon sleighing
- " 10 To Guelph Seeing Galbraith & Merryweather Re Howes Children Mild thawing
- " 11 Tebbutts Sale warm Rain Thunder

- " 12 B. to Fergus with Chop Showers all day Thunder
- " 13 Heavy rain all last night all Jams on River gone high Flood this morning Turning colder
- " 14 Helping Tebbutts to move Froze hard To Fergus with D. Milne Clear and sunny
- " 15 By. Took Mary to Fergus to Dentist " "
- " 17 Helping Tibbutts to Pack {Car?} a {at} Belwood By {Byron} to Libs with stuff. Snowy and Cold Robins
- " 18 To Fergus. Getting Bills Re Reform meeting Clear
- " 19 To Seed Fair in Fergus Dan ran away going in Smashed Buggy and hurt himself
- " 20 A. Ed to Libs I to see vet re horse Cold and Clear
- " 21 Helping Jas Milne kill 4 Pigs Fine
- " 22 Killed 2 Pigs By helping A Hanna Post Some Plowing Clear day Frosty nights and wind N & E
- " 24 Same Clear weather Wind E Frogs
- " 25 " " Reform meeting at Belwood to meet T. Martin Organizer Rigs Crossing River
- " 26 Clear. E wind A. & B. to Fergus
- " 27 Still fine Party at John Watsons Sowing at 10 A E
- " 28 Good Friday Rainy afternoon
- " 29 B. went to Galt Colder
- {sideways in right column} For 2 weeks the wind has been mostly E and NE
- " 30 (Sunday) Raw and Cold Rainy afternoon
- " 31 To Fergus with Doss, Milne B. Came Back From Galt

April 1 Snow Frosty and Raw

- " 2 & 3 Do Do {ditto} To Fergus with wheat got grass seed and wheat From Greene

1902

April 4 Milder took Edna to J. Gerries

- " 5 Fine drawing in Turnips Cleaning Peas
- " 7 Cold and Raining all day to Hamilton
- " 8 Tremendous gale of wind Rivermen here
- " 9 Rain and snow To Fergus with chop

" 10 Fine warm Mrs Thompson here

" 11 Blustery Raw Cold Rainy Clark sowing Tebb {Tebbetts - cut off} Plo {Plowing...? cut off}

" 12 Showers of snow To Mathesons & Petries and {...? cut off} Fergus in the afternoon

" 14 Filing in Turnips Plowing Headlands Hard Frost in

" 15 Hard Frosty morning John Wrights Funreal {Funeral}

" 16 Milder sowed wheat

" 17 to Fergus very fine

" 18 Plowing sod frost not out in Black muck

" 19 Rolling at D. Milnes all day cold and rain at {cut off}

" 20 (Sunday) very fine Swallows here

" 21 To Elora Re Election & C.S. fine

" 22 Bert Milne here Sowing Peas Barley & oats wa {...? cut off}

" 23 Harrowing and Plowing sod Cool

" 24 very high wind. Plowing sod

" 25 Plowing Raining afternoon Thunder storm at n {night - cut off}

" 26 Rain Cold and high wind. To Fergus in after {afternoon - cut off} Thunderstorm at night

" 28 Finished Plowing warm

" 29 young Pigs & Lambs. Disc Harrowing sod warm

" 30 Wet forenoon Picking over Potatoes

May 1 Finished Disking & Harrowing Fair

" 2 Finished Sowing. Rain. To Fergus Land we {wet - cut off}

" 3 To Fergus with Chop took Buggy home

" 4 (Sunday) Fine A. B & L. to Libs

" 5 Fine and warm. To Barnetts in the evening Jas Milne Came Calf

" 6 Rain more of less all day with Reeve & Surveyor

" 7 Cold & Raw but fair. Ed. & M to Fergus

1902

May 8 Planted 10 Pails Potatoes on Track A Thunder storm and Rain at night

" 9 High wind all last night and a heavy Frost High wind all day very Cold at J. Chapmans Castrating

" 10 Ground Froze this morning Ice 1/2 inch thick warm Quiet day harrowing Root land fixing Gate Posts

" 12 Cattle to Fergus 3 head 37.00 To A Thompsons at night

" 14 Cold Clear. To John Burrs with E Re Election

" 15 To Libs with cow and Calf Saw lots of seeding to be done To J. Mathiesons at night cold

" 16 Filling up load of Potatoes. Wild Plums in bloom

" 17 To Guelph with Potatoes 25 Bags @ 65 cts first morning this week without Frost

" 18 (Sunday) warm & Balmy Rain at night

" 19 The first Real summer day filling up Potatoes

" 20 To Elora with Potatoes 38 Bags Jas Richardson 60 cts Rain

" 21 To Fergus with A to Dr. Warm

" 22 Nomination Day Local House Gibson & Tookey Terrific Thunderstorm at night

" 23 warm Showers all day

" 24 Celebration of Golden Wedding of Mr & Mrs John Gerrie at Fergus Heavy Rain

" 26 Cold Damp day To Belwood

" 27 To Fergus Cold and showery of Snow

" 28 very Cold Blustering day. Heavy Frost

" 29 Election Day (Provincial) at Living Springs as Returning Officer Gibson Elected by 454 Maj Frost

" 30 A. E & John up to Libs. Cool

" 31 Plowing for Potatoes. Harrowed {thonesco?} Track Cool

June 2 Plowing on Track and sowing corn. Rain & Thunder

" 3 To Elora making Returns to Returning Officer Showery afternoon

1902

June 4 wet misty morning. Cleared up afternoon

" 5 Planted Potatoes 16 drills Elephants 22 Pails Tomatoes 15 Pearls 21 Pails Planted Beans sowed Carrotts & cc (Mare Served

" 6 Plowing for turnips Frost yesterday & to day was

" 7 Finised " " warmer and rain

" 9 Drilling and sowing Turnips. Cold & a Frost Doing Damage

" 10 Rainy forenoon Taking down scaffold & {coreing?}

" 11 A & B. to Owen Sound damp & cool

" 12 " " Came back warmer

" 13 Laid up with cold fine day

" 14 finished sowing turnips all but headlands warm

" 15 (Sunday) showery all last night warm Mrs J Milne

" 16 Sowed Headlands in turnips Harrowed down Pota {Potatoes - cut off} washed sheep. scuffled Potatoes on Track Cold

" 17 at excursion to O.A.C. Cool But dry

" 18 Cool and Rain

" 19 A & Aunt Isie to James Gerries Rain

" 20. 21 Cool and Rain Flakes of Snow

" 22 (Sunday) Snowflakes and Rain very Co {Cold...? cut off}

" 23 A. & Isie to Libs Put on Load of Hay

" 24 To Fergus with hay showers of Hail in Plac {Place? cut off}

" 25 A. & Isie to Mrs Linklators Luther a hea {heavy - cut off} Rain all afternoon & evening. Frost for 3 mo {mornings - cut off}

" 26 Doing Roadwork Cold & windy Kings Illness Coronation Pos {Postponed? cut off}

" 27 Finished still Cold

" 28 A. to Fergus with Isie

" 29 (Sunday) rain again at Capt Murchison Funr {Funeral - cut off}

" 30 Rain all day A. & Isie To Guelph to O.A {O.A.C. - cut off} Peas Blooming Barley Heading

July 1 very Fine Edna to Shands Pic Nic Harry W {Watson? cut off} Came

" 2 digging up drain Planting Cabbage A. To Fe {Fergus - cut off}

" 3 Rain last night misty morning Cleared up & W {...? cut off}

" 4 Fine and Hot laying down drain

1902

July 5 To A. Moirs Nichol. Hot storm to the N.E

" 6 (Sunday) very Hot in great contrast to 2 weeks ago when there was fires on in Church for comfort

" 7 Scuffling Potatoes & Turnips Thining Turnips Thunder storm

" 8 warm and fine

" 9 Rainy and damp all day but warm

" 10 very fine to Guelph with A. & Isie

" 11. 12 warm dry at Turnips

" 14 To Fergus for Pig Feed. Rain and wind storm at night

" 15 Dry Cool with a High wind

" 16 Putting Paris Green on Potatoes on Track

" 17 Last night a Lot of Thunder and some Rain First new Potatoes. A to Fergus with Ise. Cutting Thistles

" 18 Pleasant Finished thinning Turnips

" 19 A. & Isie to Guelph to Dr O'Rielly. To Fergus for Twine Rain all day

" 20 Rain (Sunday) 21 Rain

" 22 Hoed Potatoes. Cutting thistles. warm

" 23 Scuffling Turnips Rain

" 24 Mowing in orchard & on Railway Track

" 25 Putting Paris Green on Potatoes. Clarks Cow Killed on Track

" 26 Coling Hay. Rain and Thunder nearly all afternoon Lightning struck a lot of Buildings 7 Barns no Fires near here

" 27 (Sunday) Rain nearly all last night & showers to day

" 28 Drawing Earth to Drains. started Cutting Hay

" 29 Cutting Coling & Drawing in Hay Been Dry 2 days

" 30 " " " very Fine

" 31 " " " Heavy Rain at night

Aug 1 To Fergus Cleared up again

" 2 Cutting Coling Scuffling Turnips Dry warm

" 4 " " Drawing warm Dry

" 5 Rain with lots of Thunder

1902

Aug 5 Choring Cutting Hay Cool

" 7 Finished Cutting Hay & Scuffling Rain at 4 P [PM? cut off]

" 8 Choring Fixing Gate. Cleaning Turnips

" 9 Warm Hay all in. Turnips Done 2nd time to Be {Belwood? cut off}

" 10 Rain started to take out Foundation for milk h {house? cut off}

" 12 Cutting Barley warm but cool night

" 13 Taking out Foundation Pulling down old wood

" 14-15 " " " Dry and cool

" 16 Drawing stone Helping D. Milne Harvesting

" 17 (Sunday) to Elora Jno Moirs

" 18 went with By and Edna to The Falls & Returned to Toronto

" 19 Spent the Day in Toronto and returned home

" 20 Barley all in slight showers all day. By at {...? cut off}

" 21 Cutting wheat Horses Ran away Breaking {...? cut off}

" 22 finished wheat. Drawing in at D Milnes hot

" 23 Drawing in at D Milnes all day Hot

" 25 Finished drawing D. Ms Oats

" 26 Wheat all in Cutting oats at D.M. Pulling P {Peas? cut off}

" 27 D.M. Threshing. Oats then Peas in the Feil {Field? cut off}

" 28 To Fergus with Hay (Sargeant For Circus) To Jno {B...? cut off} Raising Watson & Thompsons Threshing

" 29 Jas Milne & Wm Clarke Threshing Hot

" 30 Stooking Drawing oats. very warm

Sept 1 Rennie & Hastings threshing B to Shelburne {with?} Jas Milne for Cattle. Rain at night

" 2 Drawing in Oats. Betty calved. warm

" 3 Cutting oats Machine Broke Rain at night

" 4 very Cold & Showery all day. Making {Chik..? cut off}

- " 5 B. at Watsons forenoon Finished Cutting
- " 6 Pulled Peas. Cool Some rain A to Church
- " 8 Peas all in Drawing oats all in Cut 8 Loads John with Chop {from?} Driving Cattle

1902

- Sepr 9 To see Jas Rae re mason work Rain all day
- " 10 Choring B. Put shelter for Creamer
- " 11 To Jacksons for shingles failed to Get them (Luther)
- " 12 Tearing down milk House. Rainy all day
- " 13 Cold windy Squaring foundation repairing Barn door & c
- " 15 To Fergus For Lime Finised {Finished} Harvest Cool
- " 16 Jas Rae Mason Came started to Build Foundation
- " 17 Building very Fine & warm
- " 18 To Belwood Judges Court of Revision Fine
- " 19 To Fullers For Brick slight Rain
- " 20 very fine. Building Rennie Threshing afternoon
- " 22 Fine warm Building
- " 23 To Fergus with chop. Got Door Frames & Cement
- " 24 B to Elora with For Lumber took lags to Fergus Cooler
- " 25 Cool B To Fergus For lime. Finished the stone work
- " 26 Took Jas Rae (Mason) away to Fergus Fall show took 1st Prize Ex Chick
- " 27 B took logs to Fergus to Fallers For Bricks
- " 29 B {&?} Watson to Fallers for Bricks 2 Loads Gravel
- " 30 B. To Monk (Luther) For shingles 13.00 @ 150
- Octr 1 B and G. Rennie for Brick cold Frost
- " 2 B to Fergus with {&?} For Timber warmer
- " 3 started Plowing warm Cool night
- " 4 B. & R. Thompson to Elora for Lumber Cool

" 6 To Fergus for Timber Started Potatoes Court in Belwood

" 7 Rain Last night at Potatoes all day. Rain at night

" 8 Finished Potatoes Poor Crop John & Jim to Belwood Show

" 9 started to draw out manure. To Fergus for Kerr

" 10 Kerr Framing Drawing manure to Belwood at night Court

" 11 " " Finished manure Been a week of Fine weather

" 13 wet Day heavy rain last night to Fergus with chop

" 14-15 Helping Kerr to Frame woodshed Cold

" 16 Finished framing raised woodshed Cold

{bottom right corner} Edna ill with Congestion of Lungs

1902

October 17 Heavy Frost started to Plow in manure

" 18 Heavy Rain last night wet and misty all day

" 19 (Sunday) warm Lightning but no thunder for nig {nights - cut off}

" 20 Threshing in afternoon High wind

" 21 " Finished Crop fair wheat & Barley Good Peas & oats wanting to Bellwood Re Howes
Children committed them to Guelph Feeding steers tied in

" 22 Finished spreading & Plowing in manure Frosty {m..? cut off} Rain Put Ram with Ewes. Thunder & Lightning

" 23 To Fergus with Hogs 3 @ 5.60 wt 190 Took Chop

" 24 B. to Elora for Lumber Heavy Thunderstorm & R {Rain - cut off}

" 25 very fine started to draw in Turnips

" 26 (Sunday) Fine Thunderstorm at night

" 27 Topping Harrowing & Drawing in Turnips @ t {...? cut off}

" 28 at Turnips Funreal {Funeral} of D. Sargeant Cold

" 29 " " Hard Frost B To Fergus Re {Buckle?}

" 30 Rain. B. to Fergus at Turnips

" 31 A to Fergus for Bricklayers (Henry) Frost

Novr 1 Finished Turnips Fine Crop & Fine weather

" 3 Rainy morning B to Elora for Lumber Lay {Laying...? cut off} B {...? cut off}

" 4 Fine Watson & Clark Threshing Laying Brick To Fergus for lim {lime - cut off}

" 5 Clark Finished threshing Laying Brick Cold

" 6 Rain and Cold Finished laying Brick

" 7 Plastering valery (Jno) here roofing

" 8 shingling. Frosty morn milk House and P {...? cut off} (shing {shingles? cut off}

" 10 Cold morning to Guelph Bank

" 11 Siding in Woodshed Thunder at nigh {night - cut off}

" 12 Finished siding To Belwood Re Ballots

" 13 B. To Fergus with Chop.for Lime Put Rafters on Woods {Woodshed - cut off} Putting windows in milk House fine war {warm - cut off}

" 14 Rain W. Duncan Came to Cement cistern & {Ho...? cut off}

" 15 Wet Cold Finished Cementing sheeting Wood {shed? cut off}

1902

Novr 17 Rainy morning shingling Woodshed

" 18 " " " " Byron Plowing

" 19 R. Stewart here very fine Shingling A. For nails

" 20 Heavy while Frost misty B For Bricks

" 21 To Elora For Lumber mild shingling

" 22 Finished shingling Cold windy showers of Snow

" 24 Plowing Fine Byron Building Brick & Plastering

" 25 Cold & Raw at D. Conley's sale B. Plowing

" 26 B. at Mrs. Wrights Wood Bee. Snow

" 27 To Fergus with chop Sleigh

" 28 Flooring Pantry. Cold and stormy

" 29 " " A. & Jim to Libs Blustery and soft

" 30 (Sunday) Cold. A. Moir her

Decr 1 Drawing wood from Swamp & flooring

" 2 very fine. Putting in window in wood shed {oc & c ?}

" 3 Rain last night soft day D. Milne threshing Feeding Watsons Cattle E. & M. to Fergus Colder at night

" 4 Frosty voting on Referendum of Ontario Liquor Act vote standing 199622 for 103482 against Maj
96210

" 5 Cold laid off with sore shoulder

" 6 " A. & E. * to Fergus Preaching for Communion

" 8 To Elora with Ballotts Coldest day this season

" 9. 10 B at Hannas threshing Choring

" 11 Milder B to Fat stock show Guelph

" 12 - 13 Cold & stormy Laying some Floor

" 15 B. to Fergus with chop & Wheat for Flour Cold

" 16 A thaw some Rain Thompsons threshing

" 17 Froze up again " Finished

" 18 Fine mild sunny day Rennie threshing

" 19 Cold but fine " Finished

" 20 Boarding up Kitchen Sawing wood

" 22 County Council nomination to Fergus D.M Threshing

1902

Decr 23 D. Milne Finished threshing. Killed Pig 4 Roads very slippery sow to {Days?}

" 24 Ida Jack Jessie Art and 3 Children Came Watson threshing in afternoon Stormy

" 25 A very fine day took Art & Jack to F {Fergus? cut off}

" 26 Watson finished threshing stormy

" 27 Jas Milne threshing Cold fine

" 29 stormy Sleighing yearling steer died Sow A {Away - cut off} Municipal Nomination absent the first
time in 33 years

" 30 To Fergus Cold and Snowing Byron to Broadfoots Chopping Fair sleighing

" 31 Beautiful day Annual school meeti {meeting - cut off} No storms so far and scant sleighing

1903

Jany 1 very fine to Fergus to meet Mrs J. Milne

" 2 To Fergus with Chop Mild Fair sleighing

" 3 Rainy thaw and then snow. Building in {...? cut off}

" 4 (Sunday) Froze up again and very slippery

" 5 Municipal election. Singer Reeve Campbe {Campbell - cut off} McLellan C {Council? cut off} Baily. Anderson & Stewart Councillors Dr Johnston

" 6 Fine Colder up to see Lib and Fred

" 7 Steady snowfall all day. Grand sleigh {sleighing - cut off} A to Fergus with E. Boys Chopping

" 8 B. & John Chopping with Robt Thompson at {..? cut off}

" 9 stormy Magwoods sale

" 10 By. {Byron} Robt & J. Sawing wood Rough

" 11 (Sunday) heavy fall of snow 8 in

" 12 to Fergus with E stormy

" 13 Great Drift Roads Blocked sow away

" 14 Clear Drawed 2 Loads of wood

" 15 stormy again B. & Robt Cutting wood

1903

Jany 16 Fair & mild. Tried to go to Fullers But the Roads were not opened & had to turn to Belwood

" 17 Blustering Cleaning wheat Lib here after John

" 19 Cold Helping R. T. to split wood. B. took E to work and Grist of wheat to Salem

" 20 Drawing wood. took D. Ms chop Back

" 21 To Fullers Paying for Brick Mild B. Sawing

" 22 B to Salem for Flour went to see F. B. Anderson Re Audit took E Home Cold

" 23 Jas Gerrie & Wife and H. Bilton & wife here

" 24 Cold Drifting B. sawing took a Load of wood

" 25 (Sunday) B. E & M. to A. Moirs. Fine day

" 26 took E to Fergus went to Belwood took load of wood

" 27 To Belwood with F. B. Anderson Re Audit mild some Rain

" 28 Thaw all day B. Chopping took Load of wood

" 29 Heavy Rain River Flooded " " "

" 30 Snowing and the greatest Blow of the Season

" 31 very fine To Fergus with Jno Watsons Cattle

Feb 1 (Sunday) very mild Lib here and Ewert with her

" 2 Thaw again lots of Rain

" 3 Mild Getting colder at night Culling Turnips

" 4 Rain in Forenoon. Wild Blow in afternoon Auditing

" 5 very stormy. Writing out auditors report

" 6 Fair Mild. To Belwood. And Fergus in evening

" 7 Drawing wood from Broadfoots very fine

" 8 (Sunday) the Heaviest blow of the season Snow Plow on Track first of season

" 9 to Belwood to Council with Auditors Report

" 10 Drawing wood mild

" 11 To Fergus Rain Snow and Blowing

" 12 & 13 Drawing wood Mild

1903

Feb 14 Colder Drawing wood (in the Log)

" 16 Cold. Took Fat Cattle to Belwood 3 head 35.50 @ 52.00 each. Party here at night

" 17 Coldest of the Season 20 Below Zero

" 18 still cold and very stormy

" 19 stormy but milder to meeting of Nichol Insur {Insurance - cut off} Co {Cool? cut off}

" 20 & 21 still cold putting up Ceiling in Pan {Pantry? cut off}

" 23 mild. To Fergus with D Milnes cattle

" 24 stormy. young Folks to Geo Roys

" 25 Finer that it has been for a week

" 26 up to the wood. fine E. to Warmingtons

" 27 Took two Loads of wood. Killing Pig at Milnes. Rain all afternoon. Party at Wm Thomsons 25 anniversary of Wedding

" 28 Rain all day snow at night Putting up ce {Ceiling - cut off} in Pantry

March 1 (Sunday) Froze up again Snow Drifting

" 2 Cold & Raw. Putting Ceiling in milk house

" 3 Soft & Sunny B. to Fergus Re Turnips

" 4 Frosty morning. To Fergus with Turnips

" 5 Snowing in Forenoon. B with Turnips. To Mrs Smalls Funreal {Funeral}

" 6 B. Down with Two Logos to Cut into shap {shape - cut off} A. & J to Fergus in Evening sleighing {B..? cut off}

" 7 Killed Cow for Wm Hanna Sr in Foreno {Forenoon - cut off} also one for Mrs Hanna 6th Line in afternoon. very heavy rain all afternoon

" 8 (Sunday) still Thawing. Wild Geese seen

" 9 sleighing gone Wheels Running Blue Bir {Birds - cut off} and Robins seen finised {finished} Ceiling milk ho {house - cut off}

" 10 Making & hanging doors. River Broke up Rain all afternoon

" 11 Fine Large Jam at Glenlamond and Broke taking Glenlamond & Monkland Bridge with it

1903

March 12 mild & misty Building stairs

" 13 " " " no Frost for a week

" 14 B. to Elora with A. Hanna for Lumber Misty

" 16 B. to Fergus with chop warm

" 17 Misty. Mild. working at Woodshed

" 18 To R. Stewarts very warm

" 19 Making stair for woodshed warmest of the season

" 20 To Belwood for Boots (Gaiters) Seeing McDonald

" 21 sharpening saws Cutting out Place for window & {...? cut off}

" 23 Putting eaves on milkhouse and Pantry Put in window. E. wind mist & Rain

" 24 B. to Jas Milnes High wind Snow. A. To Fergus with Jimmy McBain Lambs

" 25 Snowing Blowing Cold A. To Jno Marshalls

" 26 Dull Raw and Cold B Came home from J M

" 27 Stewarts sale Bot. {Bought} Pulper & Table. Frosty night

" 28 Clear and sunny hard Frost

" 30 To Salem for Grist Got Grass seed fine

" 31 Milder made storm door

April 1 very fine wet {went - cut off} to Toronto with E. on her Road to Orillia. Thunder at night Ewings Barn Burnt in Pilkington

" 2 very mild Came back from Toronto. Jno to Fergus Teeth

" 3 Cold Rain Turning to snow and Blowing hard

" 4 very Frosty Drifts 4 ft deep

" 5 (Sunday) Clear. Frosty not much snow Gone

" 6 Cold & Raw. A. to Fergus Jim vactorated {vaccinated?}

" 7 High wind. Putting window in woodshed

" 8 Warm started Plowing Watson sowing

" 9 windy some rain Plowing

" 10 Good Friday Aunt Mary here Plowing

" 11 Cold Rainy to Fergus John & Leith vactination {vaccination?}

" 13 Cold Raw E. wind. Plowing

" 14 " " " " with slight Rain all day

1903

April 15 still Cold wet and Raw R. Stewart here

" 16 Plowing to Fergus with A. Hanna

" 17 " Bert Milne here sowing wheat & munici {municipal? cut off}

" 18 Harrowing A. M. & Aunt Mary to Fergu {Fergus - cut off}

" 20 Plowing still Cold Frost every night

" 21 " snowing Dull cold Day

- " 22 Finished Plowing Raw & cold A to Belwood young Pigs
- " 23 Sowing Peas & Sheffield std oats Harrowing sod warmer
- " 24 Sowing White Russian Oats & Barley Watsons sale light rain
- " 25 Clear Cold Harrowing to A. Hannas in E {...? cut off}
- " 27 finished sowing (oats Total 40 Bush) w {...? cut off} Day of Season Frost still every night ground Swallows
- " 28 Finished Harrowing Warmer Mrs Bremmers F {Funeral? cut off}
- " 29 Fine & warm Drilling & Planting Potatoes on Te {...? cut off} 3 {Bu? cut off}
- " 30 very high wind with slight Rain at night Colder
- May 1 very hard frost and cold all day To Fergus Chop got salt & Beet seed sold wheat
- " 2 Cool. Plowing for stock Sugar Beet
- " 3 (Sunday) heaviest Rain since the snow we {went - cut off}
- " 4 Sowing S.S. Beets Carrots and Beans warm
- " 5 Plowing on Track warm
- " 6 Planted Potatoes on Track 2 Bu A. To Browns & Fergus Rain
- " 7 Cool Putting in shelves in Pantry A. To Rennies
- " 8 Jim To Fergus Andrews Runaway
- " 9 warm To Fergus with wood to Stewart got turnips Ha {...? cut off}
- " 11 very warm Wild Plums in bloom Dry
- " 12 still hot and dry. A.W. Left for Manitoulin
- " 13 Choring hot Rain needed Trees well in Lea {Leaf - cut off}
- " 14 slight Rain. very Pleasant day. Mrs A Whitehead
- " 15 still hot & dry Foal
- " 16 " " " Foal Died
- " 18 Cattle out all d {day - cut off}

1903

- May 18 To Fergus Getting Buggy wheel Fixed hot
- " 19 Picking and cutting Potatoes. Still hot & Dry

" 20 Fine Rain last night Plowing for Potatoes

" 21 Drilling & Planting Potatoes 39 Drills Below Crossing Gate 18 Savoy. Bal. Elephants. 45 Pail fulls seed. warm. but threatening Rain

" 22 Hot. Picking stones of Hay Land. Putting on sleepers at Wat Thompson

" 23 Cooler. John Plowing at Watsons. A. to Fergus

" 25 at Walter Thomsons Raising. Dry E Wind

" 26 " " " Finished heavy Rain high Wind Blowing Eighth Line Bridge down

" 27 to Fergus Watson's Cattle. two heavy showers

" 28 To Guelph A. & M. to Pringle Got Corn & Turnip

" 29 Dry and Cool

" 30 Plowing for Turnips

June 1 " " " still Drouth {Drought} & heat

" 2 To Fergus for Pig Feed A. at Wm Thompsons

" 3 Mrs Gerrie here. Washing sheep

" 4 Finished Plowing For turnips Hot & Drier

" 5 Sowing Turnips. Half of Swedes

" 6 Scuffling Potatoes on Track Harrowing Potatoes in the Field. A. To Church. Terrible Drouth {Drought}

" 8 Drilling & Sowing Turnips Hot

" 9 Finished sowing " Clipped sheep. Rain To Burrs in the evening

" 10 To Belwood with Watson & Cattle Took wood to Stewart

" 11 Putting on Battens To Fergus in even stallion

" 12 To Aboyne & Elora with E DeGeer. Rain cold

" 13 Fine Rain all day took DeGeer to Burrs

" 14 (Sunday) very Cool. Jas Gerrie here

" 15 thinning Carrotts & Mangels Cool

" 16. 17. 18. Choring Dry and Cool

1903

June 19 Dry Fine to Ryders with mare Served

" 20 To Belwood with W. Clary re Trespass

" 22 Road work Mrs Stewart Came Rain

" 23 Finished Road work heavy rain

" 24 Cool showers all day Transplanting mangels

" 25 Cool A Took Mrs Stewart home Planted Cabbage

" 26 Laying upper floor in woodshed Cool

" 27 " " " John to Fergus with Thompsons Cattle

" 29 J. McClanaghan here Putting up eave Trough started Cutting odd corners of hay

" 30 Laying Floor Jno scuffling hot heavy rain at nigh {night - cut off}

July 1 Finished Floor. started to thin Early Turnips

" 2 moved Bench from old House to shop. To Fergus

" 3 scuffling Hot Rain

" 4 Hot Grand growing weather

" 6 started to thin main crop of Turnips Hot Putting Green on Potatoes on Trac {Track - cut off}

" 7 Thinning Turnips took in Hay

" 8 " " Hoeing Potatoes on Track

" 9 Finished thinning Turnips Hot 90 in shade New Beans C. to H. of I

" 10 Scuffling S. Beets John at Rennies To S. S. Pic Living Springs

" 11 warm mowing Lane. Jno at Rennies

" 13 Putting P. Green on Potatoes Fine (12th New Potatoes

" 14 Jno & I at Rennies. Some Rain Cold

" 15 Hoeing Potatoes & S. Beet Cold

" 16 Choreing moving To Belwood at night H {Hot ? cut off}

" 17 With Team at D. Milnes Drawing in hay

" 18 moving straw To Fergus for Pig Feed Ra {Rain? cut off}

" 20 warm some Rain Thunder all Day A to Ferg {Fergus - cut off} Chick {Chicken - cut off}

" 21 Cutting Hay. Rain at night warm

" 22 Heavy Rain last night Dull damp day

" 23-24 Mowing Coling Drawing Hay warm

1903

Octr 2 at Drain A to Fergus & To Marshalls

" 3 " " started Potatoes. warm

" 5 warm (6) Cooler at Potatoes Both days

" 7 Rainy To Fergus with Oats 29 Heavy Thunder at night Great Rainfall

" 8 Cool Clear with B to Dr. at S. Beets in afternoon

" 9 Cool finished Potatoes Good Crop over 200 Bush

" 10 S. Beets all up To Fergus with Chop Cool

" 11 (Sunday) Cool J. Burr and Maggie here

" 12 at Hastings threshing. John and A to Fergus Drawing wood for Jno Gerrie Great N. Lights

{sideways on right column} Compare with 22 Avg

" 13 warmer Clear started Drawing out manure

" 14 at manure very fine and warm

" 15 Moving A. Hanna fine. Thanksgiving Day

" 16 at manure still fine and warm

" 17 " " Thunder & Some Rain & Hail

" 18 (Sunday) Jno Milne & Mrs Linklater here Decidedly Cold. showers of snow first of season

" 19 Finished manure. 70 Loads 5 days A. & Isie to Fergus A stayed helping A Walker to Pack up

" 20 Choring Drawing wood Earth {&c}

" 21 To Fergus Re A Walkers moving started topping Turnips

" 22 Topping & Harrowing Turnips took up Carrotts & Cabbage

" 23 Drawing Turnips Fine Dry Cold wind Hail

" 24 " " very Hard Frost Ice all day in shade

" 25 (Sunday) Fine A. B. & Isie to see Lib

" 26 Snow Hard Frost to Guelph with J. Watson

" 27 frosty Forenoon at Turnips in afternoon

" 28 very fine at Turnips all day

" 29 Swedes all in 12 Loads in Pit

" 30 Turnips all in 62 L. Swedes 8 soft Grand Crop Warm Day Killing Pig for A Hanna

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Novr 1 (Sunday) J. Milne here & H. McDonald and wife

" 2 at Drain forenoon Plowing afternoon Jn & Mary

" " Picking apples at R. Blacks still warm

" 3 at Drain all day very fine for week now Killed Pig for Watson took 1/2 85 lbs

" 4 Plowing in forenoon Watson Threshing after {...? cut off}

" 5 Colder Snow flurries W " finished thresh {threshing - cut off}

" 6 Cold. Frosty. Plowing and spreading ma {manure - cut off}

" 7 Cold Fine Plowing

" 8 (Sunday) Jno Milne Brot {Brought} Isie Back Fine

" 9 To Fergus Re hogs took I to Dr

" 10 Jno at Watsons working at Drain B. Plowing

" 11 " " " " A Hanna here _ *

" 12 Raw took hogs to Fergus @ 5cts av 20g

" 13 Filling drains spreading manure Cold

" 14 Finished spreading manure. filling Drain in morning tied all Cattle in. John Taylor Fun {Funeral - cut off}

" 16 Rain last night Freezing on trees. Rain to day Thunder Finished Plowing Pea & Mangold la {land - cut off}

" 17 Milder. Plowing & scraping at house

" 18 Froze hard to Fergus & Belwood } stormy {a..? cut off} Seeing Goodall

" 19 Stormy to Guelph with wheels but {run?} would be as good

" 20 Fine putting up storm windows and doo {door - cut off}

" 21 Milder to Elora with sleigh Fine slip {...? cut off}

" 23 Rennie threshing stormy all day {though?} Good sleighing John took Jno Milne and To M Deans Took to {t...? cut off}

- " 24 Rennie finished Threshing Cold 5 Below at Burrs & McD.
- " 25-26 D Milne & Bert threshing 10 Below
- " 27 Rae & Hanna threshing Fine Mild to Fergus
- " 28 Hanna threshing Snowing & Cold
- " 30 " " Watsons Barn Burned very fine To Fergus & Belwood Grand sleighing

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- Decr 1 to Broadfoots for Logs Broke sleigh Hanna finished thresh 2 {1/1?} 3 1/1
- " 2 B to Fergus with Logs got sleigh fixed
- " 3 To Arthur R. Convention very fine milder
- " 4 milder with Robt for logs B to Fergus
- " 5 B with wood for Stewart A & B To Fergus at night
- " 7 B. with 2 Loads of wood for Stewart 3 3/4 {Cts?} Milder
- " 8 Thompsons Threshing Cold. Bs Sow away
- " 9 B & I laid up with cold. Cold & Blustery
- " 10 Milder tho Drifting. Hanging Crossing gate higher
- " 11 Colder. stormiest day this season Zero
- " 12 Heaviest fall of snow so far 14 inches then a shower of Rain A. B. & I to Fergus Chop
- " 14-15 Snowing & Drifting Bad 3 below. Travis Late
- " 16 Some Milder but drifting badly Roads opened
- " 17 Fine Travelling Possible again
- " 18 To Arthur to Reform Convention Thos Martin Chosen {Chosen} Roads heavy Broke it for a mile
- " 19 Milder with Rain at night Then Drift
- " 20 (Sunday) Lib & Miss Hood here stormy day very wild at night
- " 21 stormy as usual and cold killed Pig 8 mos 230
- " 22 Pretty fair day but Snowing
- " 23 Clear and cold Drove to Guelph B at J.M.s Drawing Hay
- " 24 Another heavy snowfall 6 in but mild

" 25 Cold & Blustering at Jas Milnes in afternoon

" 26 22 Below Zero to Fergus for John & Mary Didn't Come too Cold

" 27 (Sunday) milder up above Zero but very stormy

" 28 at Belwood to Nomination (Municipal) Acclamation Reeve Singer. Gow. Bailey Anderson Campbell Stewart Clear cold at night 15 Below

" 29 To Fergus with Cutter to shoe heavy Snowfall

{sideways on left side of page} Great scarcity of water no Fall Rains

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Decr 30 all the Folks to Fergus got Flour & Cutter

" 31 Cold. stormy Roads heavy Sow away The year Closes with more Snow over all th {than - cut off} I have seen before I have seen more on Roads Fields Bare but have about 3 Ft over all has snowed more or less (Generally more) ea {each?} day since the 16th of Novr

{sideways in left column} in Rocklys Grey Go 107 in snowfall in December

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Jany 1 Cold Snowing. A. Hanna and Family here

" 2 Colder 16 Below Snowing as usual Sow Home E W {Wind? cut off}

" 3 (Sunday) stormy 14 Below to Church Had Mr. {..? cut off} who gave a Grand discourse {discourse} from John 8-7

" 4 Coldest since Feby 17th 1896 our Thermometer 34 Below. Some in Fergus made it 45 - doub {...? cut off}

" 5 22 Below this morning and very Calm. 2 da {days - cut off} now without Snow fall A & B to Fergus Potatoes for R. Stewart Colin Stewart here last

" 6 Milder to Fergus with Cutter Paid N. R.

" 7 " to Jas Retties sale B. with D.M. Catt {Cattle? - cut off}

" 8 Fine B. to Belwood with tank

" 9 Bright & sunny B. at J. Milnes

" 11 mild misty A. & M. to Fergus went to J Chapm {Chapmans - cut off} at night

" 12 " Putting on Battens N. side of wood she {shed - cut off} finest day of the season Culling Turn {Turnips - cut off}

" 13 mild morning A. & B to Libs Snow at nig {night - cut off}

- " 14 Colder and Drifting Badly Culling turn {turnips - cut off}
- " 15 Fine B & I to Fergus
- " 16 A. Hanna here Cleaning Wheat. B on Roads with A. Hanna very stormy
- " 18 Cold Calm. 26 Below. B. to Marshalls then to A. Hannas at night

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July 25 Coling & Drawing in Hay windy & warm

- " 27 Finished Cutting Hay Grand Day
- " 28 Hay all in Kitchens Children came
- " 29 Heavy rain through the night and this morning To Fergus Damp all day
- " 31 started to Cut Barley

Aug 1 Barley all cut Hot A to Fergus with Potatoes

- " 3 Sick Choring warm
- " 4 very heavy rain last night and this morn (made gale etc
- " 5 hoeing Turnips Cloudy & Cool
- " 6 " " warmer Frost at night A. to Flewelling
- " 7 Finished Cleaning Turnips Drawed in Barley
- " 8 Drawing wood from swamp took wood to Stewart
- " 10 Pulling Peas A. to Fergus Cool
- " 11 To Fergus with Potatoes Cool to Belwood in morn
- " 12 Pulling Peas Below Track
- " 13 Geo Moon here. Cutting wheat & mixed Grain (Heavy Frost
- " 14 shocking. Pulling Peas finished above Track Cutting Sheffield St Oats 113 Days from sowing
- " 15 Drawing in wheat & mixed warm dry
- " 17 To Fergus Bot Binder Massey Harris From R. {Beatty?}
- " 18 Drawing in Peas went for Binder Cool night
- " 19 Finished Drawing wheat & mixed Grain
- " 20 Cutting white Russian oats. 118 days from Sowing

- " 21 Raging stubble. Cutting oats. A. To Fergus to see R Brown Peas all in very high wind for Two days
- " 22 Great display of Northern Lights last night still a high wind but no rain
- " 24 Drawing in windy yet
- " 25 Thompsons Threshing Cloudy
- " 26 Rennie Threshing A to Guelph with Isie
- " 27 Watson threshing Cutting in afternoon

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August 28 Cutting till noon rain all afternoon

- " 29 wet all day to Fergus in afternoon with wo {..? cut off} for Stewart. Getting {fixings?} for Cistern Pump
- " 30 (Sunday) wet all day warm
- " 31 damp day. Putting in pump in Cistern
- Sept 1 A and John to Belwood. Cutting in afternoo {afternoon - cut off}
- " 2 Finished Cutting Bert Milne Threshing in afternoon
- " 3 -4 Drawing in Oats warm
- " 5 Finished drawing in. B. went to Ex Toronto
- " 7 To Mrs. E Flewellings Funreal {Funeral} Heavy Rain
- " 8 still raining. A. & {Jr?} to Belwood
- " 9 Plowing out drain. Plowing Pea land very h {hot - cut off}
- " 10 A. Raes threshing heavy rain
- " 11 Putting up scaffold digging drain A. to Fergu {Fergus - cut off}
- " 12 Helping Rennie to finish Harvest hot
- " 14 Rainy warm. To A. Moirs
- " 15 very warm Heavy rain & Thunder The {..? cut off}
- " 16 Digging drain. Hot. Rain Thunder
- " 17 Heavy Rain all day. B. To Orillia Lacrosse Motel
- " 18 Plowing Rain and Hail
- " 19 " Watson Threshing Buckwheat in af {afternoon? cut off}

" 21 Threshing Good Turn out and fine day

" 22 Jas Milne Threshing this fore noon and yesterda {yesterday - cut off} afternoon D. Milne this afternoon warm

" 23 at Geo Moons High wind Colder & som {some? cut off}

" 24 Cold to Fergus with Chop 1st day fall

" 25 Plowing Children to Show at Fergus

" 26 warm Took up Potatoes on Track A. & Jno t {to - cut off} Fer {Fergus - cut off}

" 28 very Cold showers of Hail. To Fullers for tile working at Drain

" 29-30 Warmer Digging Drain and laying tile

Octr 1 Drain. Rain. Thunder. Choring. Warm

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Jany 19 stormy Cold 16 Below machine Broke at Marshalls milder at night

" 20 Marshall Finished threshing Thaw Plowed snow on Gravel Road From 2nd to 4th line

" 21 Blowing rough Fanning Oats

" 22 Heavy fall of snow & Hail last night Thaw with Rain to day helped A. Hanna to kill a Pig A. To Mrs. R. Black Dance at Wrights No Train on C.P.R. all day stuck at R. Blacks Crossing first day off this winter

" 23 Cleaning oats A & B To Fergus Mild

" 24 (Sunday) 12 Below and very stormy

" 25 Cold stormy B Shovelling on Track

" 26 One of the worst storms of the Season from the East Bot D M

" 27 Cold Cleaning Grain to Fergus with R. Thompson

" 28 B at D.Ms shovelling snow of {off} Roof A & I to Fergus B & A To Belwood in evening 20 Belo {Below} zero

" 29 20 Below Calm to F.B. Andersons with H McDonald B with Turnips

" 30 12 Below at auditing B with Turnips to Fergus

" 31 (Sunday) Snowing heavy only 3 days without snow During the month

Feby 1 Stormy Train stuck B & I to Belwood Re audit 20 Below

" 2 To Fergus in Forenoon. Snowing heavily & Blowing

" 3 stormy & cold. B. away with Train shovelling

" 4 " " Colder " " shovelling in cuts widening

" 5 Milder To Fergus got Flour & oatmeal

" 6 Thaw raining Plowing Roads. Mary Burns Funreal {Funeral}

" 7 (Sunday) rain till 3 oclock then Frost & wind

" 8 22 Below Zero a fall of 58 Deg {Degrees} Since yesterday B. Down with 2 loads of Turnips Roads good

" 9 B. to Guelph to Horse sale. Clear. Calm. Cold 22 Bel

" 10 28 Below Clear & Calm A. Moir & Herb Stewart here

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Feby 11 18 Below Clear & Calm A to Burrs

" 12 15 " To Fergus with Gerries oats & Stewar {Stewarts - cut off}

" 13 14 " Some Drifting H Burns Funreal {Funeral} to Elo {Elora - cut off}

" 14 Stormy in afternoon very Rough (Sunday)

" 15 very stormy. 18 Below at night Train St {Stuck? cut off}

" 16 26 Below & very windy making it the Coldest yet. Train Left Elora in the morning and g {got to? cut off} 4th Line at night: Train men had supper her {here - cut off} Drove 4 Passengers to Belwood

" 17 Train men had Breakfast and Dinner Clear and Calm 22 Below Line opened

" 18 14 Below some snow. Insurance meeting

" 19 8 Below. Sunny. P. McBains Funreal {Funeral}

" 20 16 Below very fine day milder at night too Potatoes to Morrow

" 21 (Sunday) Thaw Rain Mild nigth {night}

" 22 very stormy zero. T. Boyles Sale

" 23 10 Below fairly Good day. Miss Allans fu {funeral? cut off}

" 24 14 Cold and drifting A spell of the wore {a..? cut off} of the season at night

" 25 16 Below R.R. Blocked no train all day B to Fergus for chop &

" 26 16 " got milder. B. Locos opened the R {...? cut off} to Wm Browns and the snow Plow and one Loco got of {off} Track

" 27 Quite mild Weighed Cattle R.R. men got Lo {Loco? cut off} A Plow on again

" 28 Thaw Thunder storm this morning Rain {men?} all day R.R. opened to Elor. {Elora} B worked on Track from 7 on Friday morning till this (Sunday

" 29 milder But the biggest drift of the winter no train Left Elor. {Elora} and another Engine stalled at Line. Thunder & Lightning at night the first time I knowed of it in a snow storm

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March 1 Mild stormy forenoon to Belwood got tank

" 2 Finest day of the winter thawing and a thunder storm and heavy rain at night. A bee shovelling Snow on R.R. John Clarks sale

" 3 Rain in morning then snow and wild drift

" 4 6 below Calm to Fergus. 60 men shovelling {written up the right side of the page} Track at Fergus

" 5 Milder Crowd still shovelling snow Plow no use because of Ice along the Rails

" 6 (Sunday) slight thaw shovellers working 150

" 7 Thaw to Belwood to Council meeting Re Audit. shovellers working

" 8 Fine. Track opened to near Orton from Elora 115 men working. shovelling in forenoon To Flewelling for oats in afternoon

" 9 Track opened to near Hillburgh B and Jno walked Home from Orton

" 10 Raw and stormy B moving John Clark at Jacob Reids Sale E storm

" 11 Quiet Somewhat Raw

" 12 Jno Chapmans sale Clear with cold wind R.R. opened to Cataract

" 13 (Sunday) very fine Train with Plow Came through

" 14 Cold & Raw East storm in afternoon First Regular train since Feby 24th. 2 Locos stopt {stopped} 19 days

" 15 Fair Milder B on Track again. Trains running regular

" 16 Fine Clear and cold A to Fergus in Forenoon To Jas Milnes in afternoon Mary came home from Elora

" 17 very Fine Helping R. Thompson to take lambs to Fergus took Stewarts sleigh down

" 18 Heavy fall of snow last night Train stuck mild

" 19 Snow Mist Rain Dirty day had Trainmen for supper Windy night Sold steer to Hastings

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March 20 (Sunday) Train men all night and for Breakfast got to Orton mild & Clea {Clear - cut off}

" 21 Took steer to Hastings Chilly E wind

" 22 Thunderstorm Rain Murphys sale

" 23 very fine Sunny. snow melting shovellers home fr {from - cut off} Cataract first Reg {Regular} Train since 17th A. To Fergus

" 24 Robins E. wind but thawing R Black and Mrs here

" 25 First night with out frost. rain and heavy mist all B. & M not well Snow Rotten Roads Bad

" 26 Freezing & Drifting Connelys Sale Bot {Bought} Pa {...? cut off} Ewes \$8.00 each 10 mos Roads not Possible for team

" 27 (Sunday) Froze hard Crust Carrying again

" 29 Milder drifting B. to Fergus for Flour with Cutter

" 30 Fine mild day. B. to Fergus for chop with A Ha {Hanna - cut off} Light sleigh then to Belwood Sleigh rep Laid grip

" 31 Cold raw misty day No Frost 7 No Road {Roads - cut off}

April 1 Thunder Rain Mist River Partly Broke up B. to Belwood on Track. Bot {Bought} E1/2 8 & 9 Con 4 from Watson. See Book top Left Bureau Dra {Drawer - cut off}

" 2 Snow still going fast

" 4 Frost again B. to G Kyls {Kyles} Re Horse

" 5 To Fergus Re Watson Place. Milder Got {Horse?} from Kyle @ 8 mos Ice went off Fergus D {...? cut off} Drawing in Turnips from Pit good sh {...? cut off}

" 6 To Guelph thawing slowly

" 7 Snow going Fast

" 8 Rain all afternoon B. Bot Horse from B {...? cut off}

" 9 Thunder. Rain. Hail. B To Fergus all i {...? cut off}

" 10 (Sunday) The river at High water mark Thaw By Bridge somewhat

" 11 Thaw over for a time Frosty. A. to Fergus

" 12 Snowy disagreeable day

" 13 Cool getting oats from Bert Milne A to Ferg {Fergus - cut off}

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April 14 Frosty drawing wood from Swamp

" 15 Martha Dix Funreal {funeral} heavy snow storm

- " 16 Pretty good sleighing again A & B. to Fergus with sleigh got Grass Seed
- " 17 (Sunday) Snow still lying. A & M. to Church with Cutter Great Frost
- " 18 B. to Fergus with sleigh Getting Harrows fixed & Bot {Bought} Riding Plow {Besse?} and Waggon from A Cameron Snow going Rapidly
- " 19 Snowing and high wind Hard frost Lib and Miss Hood here with the Cutter
- " 20 Took Cattle to Belwood (Pair 68.50) A took up sleigh. A & B. to Fergus in afternoon with sleigh Re Watson Buisness {Business}
- " 21 Cold north Wind A to Fergus
- " 22 A to Fergus the first time with wheels. Mary went to A. Moirs Sarah being sick. Frogs Crying
- " 23 Started to Plow at last Land in good shape
- {sideways in right side of page} Bad with Grippe all the month of April
- {sideways in left side of page at top half} The End of the Longest Coldest Winter with the Deepest Snow that I have known in 45 years. Sleighing from Nov 18th to April 20th
- " 24 (Sunday) a heavy warm Rain all day Taking away the snow fast. Sarah Moir died and Mary Came home & A went down
- " 25 Fine Plowing Picking stones. young pigs B. Milne Sowing oats
- " 26 E. Wind But fine and dring {drying} fast
- " 27 To Sarah Moirs Funreal {Funeral} fine But Blustering E wind. Watsons moved. B. with load & chop
- " 28 Cold raw E wind Plowing sod
- " 29 slight showers. Sowing W oats A. & John to Fergus and Nichol for mare
- " 30 warm showers. Sowing W Oats. B. to Belwood at night Re Harness A to see Jno Marshall Swallows
- May 1 Warm. Jessie McBain Died A over there at night

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- May 2 Warm sowing oats & Plowing To Fergus w {with - cut off} H. Pritchard
- " 3 very Warm. Jessie McBains Funreal {Funeral} Finished Sowing Field No 12. Bot {Bought} Mower F. & W.
- " 4 Sowed oats in spring field. To a Mowers sale Picking stones warm
- " 5 Warm. To Fergus Concerning Lots 8 & 9 Settled
- " 6 Harrowing & Sowing mixed Grain on last yrs Root land 5 Great Growth and warm
- " 7 Warm B to Belwood Plowing

- " 8 (Sunday) Warm Some Rain & Thunder
- " 9 Cooler Two Teams Plowing
- " 10 Frost. Quite Cool. Thunder & some Rain Plowing
- " 11 Hard Frost A to Fergus. Sowing Barley & Mix {Mixed - cut off} Grain 13. Plowing. Cool day
- " 12 Warmer. Both Plows going B. & M. to Watsons at n {night - cut off}
- " 13 Cool and damp. Plowing
- " 14 Plowing Harrowing Cool Rainy Mary & I to Fergu {Fergus - cut off}
- " 16 Cool flakes of Snow Sowing 15 Mrs Wilsons Fu {Funeral - cut off}
- " 17 heavy Frost then warmer Harrowing Picking sto {stones - cut off}
- " 18 Cool & damp. heavy rain in afternoon
- " 19 Heavy rain last night. To Fergus Cool
- " 20 Bert Milne & Jno Black here Plowing S {...? cut off} Wild Plums in Bloom. Trees in Leaf
- " 21 Warm. R. Thompson here Plowing Sowing and Harrowing No 4 Pretty wet Cattle o {out? cut off}
- " 22 (Sunday) Showery Thunder J Burr here
- " 23 Mizzling {Drizzling?} all day but warm. J. Tindale {...? cut off} 8 Cattle to Pasture. Fixing fence & Plowing {...? cut off} Plan {...? cut off} abov {above? cut off}
- " 24 Finished Plowing Sowing & Harrowing 4 very
- " 25 very hot Plowing in 8. Fixing Fence
- " 26 Warm Thunder 2 heavy showers Plowing in

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- May 26 (Con) A. Hanna here stretching wire River high yet Ground wet Foal
- " 27 Cool Finished Plowing For Crop Foal died
- " 28 Finished seeding & wire accross {across} River Filling up 28 Bags Potatoes very fine day
- " 30 Cloudy but fine. B. to Arthur with 27 bgs Potatoes @ \$1.00 Finished draining in 3 (started last Fall) Plowing & Harrowing in 7. Mr. Brennan Brot. {Brought} Colt here to Pasture
- " 31 started Plowing in 13. Finished in 3. To Fergus Cold rainy afternoon showers of Snow at night
- June 1 damp. Drizly. Plowing in 13 P. Clark Brot {brought} horse
- " 2 Rainy all day Cutting Potatoes

- " 3 B. to Fergus with Chop. Plowing in 13 warm
- " 4 Harrowing Turnip land (3) fixing line Fence in afternoon (Hastings) A. Moir Brot {Brought} 7 Cattle
- " 5 (Sunday) Warm Fine Gows Brot {Brought} 3 Horses A to Dr.
- " 6 Plowing for roots in 3 Some rain at night
- " 7 To Fergus Got Turnip seed drilling for Beets. Rain at night
- " 8 To Belwood re Board of Health. Wet Day
- " 9 Dry. Plowing in 7 Sowing Sugar Beets. Carrotts {Carrots} and Beans. Cool at night A Bad with {I?} Rheumitism
- " 10 Planted Potatoes in 3 Sowed Turnips in 3 washed sheep. Gow Brot {Brought} Colt to Pasture Dry Cool and windy
- " 11 hot to Fergus & Elora. B. Discing in 13 John Plowing in 7
- " 13 Fine Plowing in Finished in 7 Plowing on Track for corn Mrs. Gerrie here
- " 14 To Belwood Bot {Bought} Truck Rain Cutting Potatoes took Truck home {Finished - crossed out}

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June 15 Drawing manure on 7. 24 Loads of Potatoes Sow away

- " 16 spreading " " " Discing. Plowing in m {manure - cut off} A and Mary to A Moirs warm
- " 17 Covering manure Harrowing Finished Discin {Discing - cut off} Clipped sheep. Planted corn. Marking P {..? cut off} for {..? cut off}
- " 18 Planted 40 Pails Potatoes in 7. A to Dr hot
- " 20 B. Plowing in 3 Jno Harrowing in 13 Thunder & l {lightning? cut off}
- " 21 Warm heavy Rain in forenoon Thunder and Rain in afternoon. Picking stones an {and} drilling
- " 22 Fine Drawing manure on 13. Finished sowing swedes F {...? cut off}
- " 23 Fine Cool. Finished drawing manure to 13 - 47 Loa {Loads - cut off}
- " 24 Fine But Windy spreading & Plowing in manure 1 {...? cut off}
- " 25 Warmest day yet. slight rain in morning fen {...? cut off} spreading & Plowing in manure in 13 for Turnips
- " 27 Cooler harrowing in 13 Plowing in 3 for Turnips
- " 28 Cool Dry finished Plowing in 3 drilling and so {sowing? cut off} in 13
- " 29 Finished sowing swedes (13) started Road work Drilling and sowing Greystone 3 Rain & thund {thunder? cut off} ni {night? cut off}

" 30 Drilling for Greystone. Roadwork at R. J. Ri {Riddle? cut off} Funreal {Funeral} Heavy Thunderstorm Rain and har {hard..? cut off} to Fergus with Chop

July 1 Roadwork. Rain more or less all day Co0 {Cool - cut off}

" 2 B to Fergus for new mower at Roadwork Sowing Turnips (Greystone) latest sowing I ever {...? cut off} asent {Absent?} Liz From Toronto. Cool night

" 3 (Sunday) Dry. very Cool. Lib & Fred here

" 4 Roadwork forenoon. Drawing wood. Thunder Heaviest of the S {Season? cut off}

" 5 Fair warm. Bessie set up mower. Fixing Fence & C {...? cut off}

" 6 very heavy rain last night & all Forenoon heavy at night. Finished culvert. A. to Alex M {...? cut off} started To thin Turnips Planted Cabbage Fixed Cistern

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July 7 Picking up Rails & choreing in Forenoon Scuffling and thinning Turnips after Fair warm

" 8 Finished thinning First Sown Swedes & S. Beets in 3 also 1st scuffling Choring Fair & Cool

" 9 started to draw manure for rape in 7 Heavy Rain and thunder. Warm.

" 11 Warm. Fair. Drawing manure

" 12 Heavy Rain and thunderstorm this morning Choreing & mowing on Belwood Road Putting Green on Potatoes on track Cooler at night

" 13 Warm. Fair. Drawing manure for Rape 7

" 14 " " Finished manure 83 Loads making so far 154 Loads B. to Belwood in Evening

" 15 spreading & Plowing in manure in 7 A & B to Fergus

" 16 still Dry spreading " " Plowing

" 18 very hot. Plowing spreading digging & drawing stones in 7 A went to Elora scuffling Potatoes

' 19 Finished manure & stones started Harrowing in 7

" 20 Hot Dry Drilling & Sowing Rape in 7 scuffling in 13

" 21 " " Finished Sowing Rape

{sideways in left column} Rainfall for July was 2.04 above the average of 63 yrs

" 22 To Elora. For Lumber for Hay Rack rain at night

" 23 Rainy Forenoon making Hay Rack to Fergus and then to Belwood to magistrate court. Cool

" 24 (Sunday) Rain at night. South of us a Flood

- " 25 To Guelph B to Fergus for Pig Feed and shoeing Dry
- " 26 Hot Putting Green on Potatoes in 3 Mowing Raking and Coling rain through the night
- " 27 Rain in morning Finished Rack Raking Coling Heavy thunder and rain at night
- " 28 Land very wet. but no rain to day to Rennie Re {Door?} Thinning Swedes in 13
- " 29 Dry N. & J. Warmington Here thinning Turnips and over {entry continues on next page}

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- Turning Coles and drawing in to Fergus for Fork and Trip Rape to Belwood for li {...? cut off}
- July 30 Leslie Hanna & Alex here thinning & Drawin {Drawing - cut off} Harry Williams Came
- Aug 1 very fine Finished Thinning Swedes Putting {...? cut off} on Potatoes in 7 Finished cutting 8 Drawi {Drawing - cut off} and Coling
- " 2 Finished Drawing in 8 Cutting 12 all started 13 & 14 Hoed Potatoes in 7. Some rain. Cloudy bad hay d {day - cut off}
- " 3 Dry warm Thinning White Turnips and scuffling 12 all Coled up Cutting and coling in 14
- " 4 Hot dry. Thinning Greystone Hoeing sugar B {Beets - cut off} Cutting & Coling in 13 & 14
- " 5 slight rain in morning Drawing & stacking & {...? cut off}
- " 6 Dry High wind Cutting & Coling in 14 all up {...? cut off}
- " 7 (Sunday) warm dry forenoon in the afternoon heavy Rain Hail. Thunder Lightning struck Burned. A. Browns Barn
- " 8 Cutting & coling in 13 dry and Cool Finishe {Finished - cut off}
- " 9 Frost Cool dry Drawing to stack Finished Colin {Coling - cut off}
- " 10 Thunderstorm 10 oclock then slight rain all Took in 4 Loads of Hay in morning G. Milne & {...? cut off} White here. At A. Moirs Wedding
- " 11 Drizzling morning Clearing at noon Plowing Sum {Summer - cut off} Fallow. S.S. Pic Nic at our school Edna {...? cut off} here from Orrillia
- " 12 hot. Turning out Coles and drawing hay
- " 13 Heavy thunderstorm rain all forenoon To Fergus {...? cut off} Hay for Besse 4 storms in afternoon M. took James
- " 15 Turning out and drawing hay. J. {Martin?} & R. Thompson rain at night
- " 16 Rainy all day. To Fergus Re B Truck Pig feed took {...? cut off} to Dr. To Belwood Re Hay Press

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Aug 17 Dry Cool. Finished Haying the latest we ever were

" 18 Fine Cool. at Turnips Edna to Guelph

" 19 Dull all day. Scuffling finished thinning Sweds {Swedes - cut off} Rain

" 20 Rain all night Rainy to day. Country in Flood to Fergus for Binder Truck (R Brown)

" 21 (Sunday very fine Jno Black here

" 22 Another Heavy Rain. Getting up threshing wood

" 23 started Cutting Barley scuffling in 13

" 24 Cutting S. Standard & Ligowa oats scuffling Rape 7

{sideways in right column} P. Clark took horse away

" 25 " oats in 15. Rain and thunder at noon Hay Press Came mad {made} 40 Bales. High wind at night

" 26 Finished Pressing Hay 230 Bales = Total 17.840 Tons @ 4.50 Cool and Clear Drawing Hay to Belwood

{sideways in right column} Gow took away 2 Colts

" 27 Clear and warmer Drawing Hay to Belwood 6 Loads

" 29 Clear & warm. Drawing in Barley S.S. & Ligowa oats Culling in 15. Finished drawing hay to Belwood

" 30 Clear. warm Finished Cutting 15

" 31 Cloudy " Cut and stoked 10

{sideways in left column} Highest 1878 = 7.09

{sideways in left column} Rainfall for August 4.80 / smallest 1876 = a few drop average of 63 yrs 2.77

Sepr 1 Rain Last night. Cloudy and damp all day Scuffling in 7 B to Fergus for Pig feed & B. Truck D. Milne Threshing in afternoon

" 2 Rain and misty morning. Rennie Threshing in forenoon. Thompsons in afternoon. Cutting in 11 Bad storm of Rain and wind with fierce Thunder and Lightning at night

" 3 Dry. Cutting in 11. Jas Tindale took cattle away

" 5 Fair and cool. Rain last night. Cutting in 11

" 6 very fine. Warm finished Cutting 11. Cutting in 14

" 7 Drawing in from 15. Rain and thunder

" 8 To Fergus with oat. Chop finished Cutting 14 started 8. Cloudy and Cool

" 9 Finished Drawing in 15. Cutting in 5

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Sept 10 misty Damp Forenoon finished Cutting 5 started in 4

" 12 Rain last night A & B to Fergus & Re thre {threshing? cut off} finished 4 started in spring field

" 13 Dry and windy. Finished Cutting a very tangle {tangled? cut off} Crop only 2 fields cut round had two {Binges?} Last 4 days

" 14 intended to thresh stooks at lower Place {...? cut off} from 7 till 2 threshed 3 hours at home fair turn out

" 15 To Fergus with Hog Chop Drawing wood Broke w {...? cut off} Jas White threshing in Forenoon

" 16 Dry and very Windy all in at Home

" 17 Threshing on lower Place from the stook. all thres {threshed - cut off} Fine day oats light owing to rust

" 19 Grand day. Jas Milne threshing in forenoon A. W {Watson? cut off} in afternoon Started Plowing lots of odd jobs a {...? cut off}

" 20 Cutting and driving posts for wire fence. Thunder & Ra {Rain - cut off}

" 21 very hard Frost Showers of Snow A Hanna here Put 307 yds wire fence (3 wires) started drawing manure spring field

" 22 Frost again Drawing manure 2 waggons 1 team B. Plowing in 11 Cut his leg

" 23 Fine Drawing manure B. finished his Plac {Place? cut off}

" 24 Rainy morning to Fergus heaviest rain of Season at night worse north Rivers like sp {spring? cut off} Flood leaving land very wet

" 26 Finished drawing manure 82 Loads warm

" 27 Spreading and Plowing in manure to Jno Ruthfo {Rutherford - cut off}

" 28 Taking up Potatoes in 3 Plowing

" 29 Rain in Forenoon Spreading manure. Plow {Plowing - cut off} Drawing rails in afternoon

" 30 Potatoes all up in 3 worst Crop we ever ha {had - cut off} Manure all Plowed in in spring Field High {...? cut off}

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Oct 1 very high wind taking up Potatoes in 7 started Plowing in 10 A Moir and wife here took Cattle awy {away}

" 3 Clearing line for Fence (Hastings Line B. to Fergus with Oats 31 cts. Plowing. Cool

" 4 To Belwood Re Judges Court on voters list slight Rain at Potatoes. Plowing in 10. saw Goodale got \$78:40 for Hay

" 5 To Fergus with Chop (Hogs) Rain Finishing 10 started 4 Cold at night

" 6 Frost at Potatoes. B. & Jno Plowing in 4

" 7 very Hard Frost. Potatoes all up better crop in 7 {written up the right side of page} Plowing

" 8 Finished Plowing in 4 started in 14 young Pigs Thunder and rain Warmer

" 9 (Sunday) Fine rain all day. Heavy rain at night

" 10 Plowing in 14 showers all day very heavy at night Thunder

" 11 Fa {Fair - page folded} at A Browns Raising

" 12 Rai {Rain - page folded} again all day to Fergus with B. & M. Got Bags

" 13 started sod in 14. To a. Browns Raising Finished Fine

" 14 very fine Belwood show. Plowing sod

" 15 " warm Hannas threshing Drawing manure to 11

" 17 Fine warm Drawing manure 38 Loads

" 18 " " " " To Fergus with Chop. Hogs

" 19 " very warm. Finished manure. 108 Loads making a total of 344 Loads for the season

" 20 Cooler Cloudy B. to Erin show. Jno Plowing Kyle Brot {Brought} Lambs

" 21 Rainy one heavy shower with thunder Black Kyle & Shortread Brot {Brought} 81 cattle

" 22 Topping Turnips to Fergus getting shelvings Ironed showery Cold

" 24 Took up Cabbage & carrots {carrots} Harrowing Turnips

" 25 fine Drawing Turnips from 3 24 Loads

" 26 Swedes all in from 3 Fine. A. & Mary to Fergus

" 27 Topping and Harrowing Turnips in 13 over

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October 27 (Cow) Hard Frost To nomination at Arthur Wm {William} Kitchen and wife here

" 28 Fine Dry Pulling a Drawing Turnips to Pit A Took Kitcheners to Fergus B. K & S took 34 C {calves? cut off} aw {away? cut off}

" 29 still Fine Pulling and Drawing Turnips in 13

" 31 " " " " " "

November 1 Frosty fine. To Fergus Re Perrin Plow note Pulling and Drawing Turnips Finished {...? cut off}

" 2 Fencing Turnip Pit A went to Orrillia To Deans & Fergus Re Election started Greyst {Greystones - cut off}

" 3 very fine and warm. Polling Day at living D.R.O. Finished Turnips

" 4 still fine tho {though} misty. B to Fergus with Chop A Came Back from Orillia Black cattle all {...? cut off}

" 5 Cold Raw snowing spreading manure and Pl {Plowing? cut off} in 11.

" 7 very hard Frost. B. K. & Lambs away Plow {Plowing - cut off} and spreading manure. Frost kept on all da {day - cut off}

" 8 Plowing & spreading manure. Clear. Cold. Saw new moon at 31 hrs old Earliest I ever saw it

" 9 Clear Frosty Plowing stopt by Frost To A.M {Milne? cut off} shingling. B. Covering Turnip Pit

" 10 still Clear and Frosty Getting away wire at river and Deepening ditch in 8

" 11 Sunny. Frosty. Making Coop B & Jno Ditch

" 12 very Frosty. finished coop to Fergus Getting Billy Got Ram and put with Ewes

" 13 (Sunday) Fred and Lib here and Mrs Boyce Cl {...? cut off}

" 14 To Fergus with chickens Picking Geese to Bel {Belwood - cut off}

" 15 Fine Clear to Belwood with Geese 8 cts the {then - cut off} to House of Industry to see Charlie who w {was - cut off} sick

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Novr 16 Fine Clear Charlie Died last night To Fergus Re Funreal {Funeral}

" 17 Cold Clear Thanksgiving Day Charlies Funreal {Funeral} Buried in the Plot known as Munchisonns

" 18 Jas Milne's threshing. Mild showers

" 19 Bert Milne threshing. Helping A. Hana {Hanna - cut off} kill Pigs

" 21 Thaw Plowing went to Elora Re Convention

" 22 Mild To Fergus Bot {Bought} 28 Cattle went to Toronto to Convention

" 23 Byron to Fergus with Chop Plowing

" 24 Came Back From Toronto Convention Plowing with Both Rigs

" 25 Plowing sod. Frosty. Rennie and Marshall Threshing Willie Black here

" 26 Hard Frost Rennie and Marshall threshing W. Black at Rennies

" 28 Great Frost. Rae threshing covering Root House at Low Place 6 Below Zero

" 29 Choring at Lower Place working at Building

" 30 Drew 2 load of Turnips to Fergus Cold Snowing

Decr 1 Took 8 Hogs to Fergus 7 mos 5 Day old av 216 @ 4.65. To meeting in Belwood. Electing Delegates {Delegates} to Convention on 5th Hard Frost

" 2 very Cold Drawing Turnips. Moving A. Hanna

" 3 ' ' Clear " " Working at Building A. To Fergus to Church

" 5 stormy Reform Convention in Fergus J M Gibson Chosen {Chosen} D. Milne threshing

" 6 Cold Fine Finished threshing Forenoon

" 7 To A. Whites & Thompsons threshing B. to Guelph To Fat stock show.

" 8 very Drifty and Cold

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{Cellar?} Floor

1 BU Cement & 2 1/2 sand 40 sq ft

{K....? illegible} Emulsion

1/8 of {L..? illegible} Hard soap in 1 pt soft to one qt soft water

2 qts Coal oil to use Put one pt to 10 of water

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