

~~At the Old Camp~~ Dec 31/1872
Took Breakfast at Hammetton
Cold East Wind Left my Park at Hammetton
Fine in the afternoon shooting to night out
of the 2 guns 1st of JANUARY 1873
Firing this morning Jim Hopkins Charles
Hopkins Bill Morris George Morris Paro
Bowen old Mrs Morris Mrs Mac Iwan
and Sarah Betty and 2 children stopt
for dinner gave Bill a Bible and English
newspaper sent Mrs Hopkins Book
home got 3 cartridges from Jim 2nd of Prof
to Hammetton William Saw little there with 4 axes to go
got Isaac Blondeau to fix my Boots 15 cents
got new year from Kere Heard Sandy Ward
Departed yesterday James Mc Kenna here
for a load of his hay time turned cold and then stormy
then raining to night George Kershaw came from Town
went down yesterday 3rd Allen's Birth Day a fine
day sun hot & hardy chopping stove wood 4th chopping
stove wood stormy this morning turned kind
warm some Windy from the West changed
to night to East Sunday 5th cold some frost last
night Blustery to day snowing drifting East Wind
6th Began to make a hand Sleigh Seen a fish hawk
or an eagle after a Duck in the air hole and
after hovering around for a long time he plunged
after her and got her and tore her on the ice
7th Working at the Sleigh 8th Hugh Ouns Birth Day 7
years old to day James Mc Kenna came for a load of his hay
Had a Bottle with him his Bobs came a part I gave
him a trace chain and we fixed it finished the hand sleigh
9th a very fine morning got ready to go across it turned very
stormy went as far as Hammetton took the sleigh
could hardly make out coming home could not see 10
feet before me every frost to night 10th cold frosty
nor West Wind drifting dust melting spots
this week