

16th 1875

Mr James Cameron (Grand) Dec
in the Bush cut 2 Birch the channel all
open and there came down a dam and heavy near
stuck across between this and French Island
but its moved off I was watching it 17th
a fine morning then turned windy and blow
from the West in the swamp cut a Birch
Drew 2 Loads of Wood the Ice will be apt to
take to night as its very frosty 18th Ice taken
across here this morning cold and frosty
Windy West Wind Broke on the
Marsh Hay stack at the Back of the Barn
Great smoke from the our holes chopping
stove Wood Heals a freezing some
Drifting some No Trees cropped yet without
they will crop to night 15th Cold and frosty Windy
20th Wind high Drifting hard frost cut a Birch stump Drew
a Load of it with the Team 21st Frost cropping on
The ice for me Mr Streeter cropped with horse
Isaac beyond crossed and J Renshaw with horse
stopt at Renshaw to night heard John Callanach
Died and Duncan M Dougall in Nevada and
John M Intosh in Montreal ice pretty good Finches
George took over from hopping McCauls Things
to beyonds 22nd First Day of Winter I come down
to Hamletts got some Herrings from George
Began to thaw last night got the White wash
Brush from George Renshaw Began to White wash
a fine warm day 23rd Fairing and raining
cutting in the Bush took the Bark of the Bass
saw Log Began to freeze to night hard and cold 24th
Cold East Wind I cropped took the sleigh to Hamilton
very cold frosty and high Wind took 2 Rats to
beyonds 16 cents a piece Bought 2 lb Tea 4 cents
on it Jim Grant and Tom Summers treated for Christmas
old Jo Robideau Buried to day a Big fire last night
the way of Bombay stopt at Hamilton took dinner
came home and its awful cold

at Summer Town

Mr James Cameron (Grand) Dec 25 1875
Christmas Day heavy Thunder and Lightning
a Big Fire on the Black River Donald McPhersons Barn by lightning
Raining Fine Windy cold and Warm Cutters cropping
Summers Road Duncan Mc Dougalls Funeral to Day
Died in California his Remains taken home chopping
Nomination Day in Williamstown for Councillors
raised some of the troughs no snow on the ground
fine but cold 28th Cropped to Hamiltons John not
well helped them to Butcher their cow had
a Treat of Wine hot Flour and Buckwheat Flour
and a Bag of Buckwheat from John East Wind
Cold Freezing the ice Feb 29th Our August Day
in the Bush a Man down at the Pit Pit Fishing 28th
all Day 30th Dolly not very smart Kind of fine and soft
a few Drops of Rain John Hamilton has cut a
Basswood ice not making much 31st I cropped
took a Piece of meat to Renshaw & Hamilton
and I to Renshaw together took dinner
George drawing stones to the Wharf George John
and I cropped to Summerstown Draining and foot
ing on the ice to have Races tomorrow night
to night this is New Years Eve Heard St Helens
Island was blown up have James Grant I
Borrowed with Flour from beyonds put in
the Barn George Beat set up a good White to night
1st of January 1876 Firing away the old Year and
firing in the New Year Randolph shot a Ball at a Barn
Gordon shot a squirrel for the first thing he
ever shot at a fine Day Fishing 28th Rained
some soft weather ice not cold 28th not plenty
2nd Went to the Little Island North side Gordon
and I the Wind very high we had to crawl back
on our knees and sack against the Wind and
then the wind took us down but we made
out with very hard work as the ice was so
slippery high high Wind