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January

13:

mild. misty & stormy S.W. wind all west very cold: to home chores in Bush & to pile up cord of wood: to palgrave mra & George & cutter got 2 shoes removed on George's front feet: gave Mr. Hutchinson 1 bag of potatoes. <sup>(got 2 bags for potatoes)</sup> Later

14:

clear & fine S. wind all day: to home haul some clover hay over to stable then to Bush & fetch home plow & doubletines & the last of the Bark: then gave to pa to go to Lockton to School meeting (I took George & Nelson & hauled the wood to him) to Bingham's Swamp see Bob about quior with water horses at lumber.

15 X:

clear fine cold north air: to home chores, wash dishes & sweep floor they went to readings church: to palgrave with molly & cutter to Sunday school then to Wesley with Wesley Strangeways put molly in stable & stopped to after church: to R. St. got pay ticket from Bob then to miss Preston's then home: fine cold night

16:

fine clear sharp S.W. wind: to Orangerille with load of bark to the lower tannery put horses in Paisley stable 10cts. got loaf of bread 5cts home.

17:

cloudy squally snow <sup>goes</sup> <sub>mix</sub>: to palgrave molly & cutter with 1 bag of potatoes to R. Stokes: got \$3.00 from pay car for work on section: got \$4.20 from R. Stokes: \$2.00 for rent to 15<sup>th</sup> of february \$1.00 for 2 bags of pot

& 40cts for lamp: home & help Tom & Jim to kill 2 pigs: Joe Preston here today clean out stable & help Jim to haul 2 barrels of water: Tom got his <sup>horse</sup> chop

18:

clear fine mild: to Orangerille with load of Bark to tannery

Joe Preston went to Mono Mills with me: pa paid him \$5.00 <sup>this morning</sup>

park mra. went to Boltic George & cutter: <sup>to Miss Leggott</sup> George Chapman married her

clear & cold, windy at night very cold: to Orangerille with last load of Bark got it measured 3  $\frac{1}{4}$  cords \$4.00 per cord \$15.00 paid: home then Liza

& I went to palgrave George & cutter for prouting to Stokes for chit to horses

clear & frosty very sharp keen freeze: to home haul home wood with molly & George: to Ballyroog post letter to J. A. M. Country & Co Toronto with \$3.00

got 2 letters from C. W. White from Simon & Sarah's from Margery: in swamps

with Bingham's Tom & Jim: home & haul 1 load of wood. Chores: cold evening

clear & very cold all day: to Orangerille with load of bark for currants

<sup>hair cut & shave 25.00</sup> good sleighing but very cold: got watch key lost: Wesley Strangeways here (Dr. Macrae)

fine clear & cold: went to Mr. Strangeways Wesley Strangeways Wesley Hutchinson & I. got there at noon had dinner: then Ida & I went down to

Black's Church at 2.30 Mr. Hill preached: back with Ida to their place for tea: then went to Becton with Ida: Billy & cutter to hear Mr. Loring preach: then

we went to Miss Rawson's then to the Corny Back Rawson's for lunch then drove home to Strangeways with Ida: Fred, Walter & Wesley went in their cutter

got to bed Wesley & I at 11.30.. fine bright moonlight night

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- 23: clear & frosty blustery afternoon: at Strangways Ida & I had a chat in Dining room, rest all mislatched: then I shaved Sam Jefferson: then mended Strangways & myself. In evening I started for home got to our place 12:30: had dinner then I went to Palgrave to get shoe on Nelson took mucky situation hence to Palgrave got valise with samples from Toronto <sup>(expenses \$5 paid)</sup> left Sarah's shoe at Lavery's to get mended & return home & sold Molly to Boyce Boys for \$8/00<sup>00</sup> cash they took her running do chores took out samples: Jim Liz Maggie & myself Strangways went to Keweenaw Church
- 24: clear & frosty: to pond for 3 barrels of water with Jim: then took Jim & I out hay on scaffold & hauled in 4 loads out of stack & upset twice
- 25: cloudy east wind snowing afternoon: to home haul in 4 loads of hay all of stack to me Jim & I slap fit Bridle & saddle my felt Boot (chores) raind Jim's afternoon: write letter to S. Gower tonight ~~use~~ bottle of ink
- 26: snowy north wind stormy very cold: to home chores help pack snow to clean 12 bushels of wheat feed horses to Ballyroy on Nelson to post letter to Simon Gower: home split wood at house: chores: Maggie Liz & I went to Palgrave at night: Liz stopped & Maggie & I came home road drifted ishong
- 27: stormy very cold north wind: to home chores fill 13 bags of oats for Mr. Mc Clelland to pay him back to creek with cows chores sleep: Bile on neck
- 28: clear & very cold: to S. Mc Clellands with 13 bags of oats: then home got 3 barrels & hauled 3 barrels of water in fine afternoon (we seen it) road sifted sick to boil on neck: chores: Eclipse on moon tonight
- 29: fine mild day: to home chores sleep read: Bile on neck: to Palgrave at night: Sarah Maggie: Ann will & I walk in sleigh to Church Mr Blanchard fine night Mrs. Shinnmans funeral sermon: brought Liz home: Mrs Cox up with us
- 30: cloudy mild calm day: to home: to bush split wood forenoon: haul home 4 loads wood with George & Nelson afternoon: chores: sharp bay knife: 31: cloudy mild day: to home: chores haul home 1 load of poles from bush for stonkethedge sale on Cargoes place afternoon: at Palgrave got cream tartar <sup>fine night</sup> ~~post~~ <sup>10c</sup> post letter to Mr. Mc Mahon 360 Taylor St Dayton Ohio for Maggie February: then home do chores: paid Dr. Drangerville today Charlie & Luther: pay Bills: write in book
- 1: cloudy mild air: to pond for 3 barrels water packed then to bush for 1 load of poles: then put horses in stable then split & piled 1/2 cord of wood at house <sup>and</sup> put sack on sleigh put six wood to split & piled wood to Robt's hill with George then home: soon Coulter comes up home with me for all night: chores:
- 2: cloudy mild day: to Bolton with 1/2 cord of green maple wood to Herbert Bolton got 5 <sup>10c</sup> of Apples then home chores to Palgrave Sarah & I to large meeting Mr Blanchard led it: to Stokes then home dark mild night

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3:

cloudy mild fine day: in Sam McClellands Swamps helping tom & Jim to split rails 220: Hinerly Boys hauling out: ride up with S. Kelly: chores.

4

cloudy mild snow at night: at Wm Whites sawlog Bee haul & logs from Harry Sloans Bush: then Liz & I went to palgrave for to get syrup & for Mr & Mrs R. Stokes & Ada Dowding for Sunday: snowing tonight

5 X:

cloudy squally fine night cooler: to Peanays Church Jim: Liz: Maggie: Ada Dowding Mr. & Mrs. Stokes & I all in the sleigh: Mr. Garner preached: Mr Rodwell & Lavery there to a grand quarterly meeting at home afternoon: then to palgrave at night Mr. & Mrs. Stokes: Ada Dowding: Liz: Maggie: pa: & I all in sleigh & Mr. Faulkner: Frank Blanchard preached

6:

fine clear mild: to home grind axes in Bush cut maple logs to haul home to Sam McClellands for his bobsleigh to haul logs home to Sam: help. Angus McDonald to saw logs & help Jim to load up: haul 3 Barrels of water at night: chores & sore throat

7:

cloudy mild S. w. wind: to home in Bush cut logs with Angus McDonald & help Jim to load them on: sawing wood at house afternoon Angus & I Jim file saw: chores very windy S. w. windy mild

8:

fine Blustery clear cold: to home split & pile wood & saw at house then to palgrave with ma: to Jeffersons sale: Billy Kingham home with me I cut hushain

9:

cold clear very cold milder: calm & cold: to home split & pile wood at house to Tom & Angus sawing: in Bush afternoon cut logs & help Jim to load Angus down

10:

clear & frosty: to home: chores wash my feet saw wood file rods <sup>sore neck</sup> more saw Sam & split wood: to pond for 3 Barrels of water: chores milder tonight

11:

fine mild clear: to home: in Bush cut logs for wood with Angus McDonald to Tom cut Tom's stub: afternoon saw wood at home & haul 2 load of logs home from Bush Jim Tom & I load for Tom: to palgrave with Angus to Station see

12 X

fine mild day: to home chores shave: to town with Nelson & cutter <sup>home</sup> Tom

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I am sent to Doctor Bonnar with Baby <sup>sore mouth</sup> home chores and Rob & Lizzie came up: to palgrave Lizzie & I to Church Frank preached Organ in Church

13:

fine mild day: sawing S. w. wind: to home saw wood at house Tom & I then haul over load of hay from saw: took load of wood to Robs hill

14:

took 1 Bag potatoes <sup>90 lbs</sup> to Mrs. McNaughton got Brown <sup>25 lbs</sup> Biscuits <sup>25 lbs</sup> then home chores

cloudy misty rain Blustery Snowing cold & windy S. w. wind: to home chores seen Martingale file & set buck saw: put on load of wood: split some blocks feed horses Boiled oats & flaxseed wrote 3 letters: 1 to John McNaughton 1 to S. Garner

1 to Mr. & Mrs. Valentines

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clear & very cold & frosty all day. wind: to Bolton with load of wood to Mrs. Gardhouse: got George shot at Nichols going <sup>(wind feet)</sup> 2 new shoes & 2 remakes gave Stokes 1. Bag of potatoes: posted 3 letters <sup>each</sup> 30<sup>c</sup> each & 1 letter Valentine to Mr. J. T. 17<sup>c</sup>.

16:

clear & frosty. wind milder arrived at night: to palgrave with 1 cord of 22 in wood to laundry 8<sup>1/2</sup> <sup>50</sup> home & haul 3 barrels of water: to Rob hill with load of wood home & chores to palgrave alone Charles & cutter to prayer meeting Mr. Blanchard led it - talk to Ada Douding then to bodsworth chat to Tommy & Maria & shoe & Andy smaller there: home at 12<sup>30</sup> <sup>44</sup> hours 4 <sup>1/2</sup> cords 8<sup>9/10</sup> <sup>as money</sup>

17:

fine mild west wind cloudy: to Bolton with load of wood to Mrs. Gardhouse dinner at Elliott's then home & load up for tomorrow for horses

18:

fine cloudy mild: to Bolton with 2 1/4 cord of 22 in wood to Herb Bolton 8<sup>1/2</sup> <sup>50</sup> got 10<sup>1/2</sup> <sup>50</sup> from Mrs. Gardhouse dinner at Elliott's then to palgrave & gave Aggie Bradley 2 1/2 <sup>cts</sup> Missionary money, then got 8<sup>1/4</sup> <sup>50</sup> from Mrs. Stokes for rent to March 15 & 90<sup>cts</sup> for 1. Bag of potatoes: then home chores share: then to palgrave to practice singing in church

19:

cloudy mild; rain at night: to home chores & read: to palgrave Sunday School to <sup>in town for drink</sup> <sup>plannings</sup> for tea to Church first night the chin sang: Mr. Blanchard preached & got ride with Tom Skinner's team Billy Bingham & I & Jim Scott then walk home chores and night

20:

cloudy misty: mild fine thawing turn cool & stormy wind: to Bolton with 1 1/2 bags of potatoes, 9 bags at 17<sup>10</sup> <sup>80</sup> & 1 at 90<sup>cts</sup> cash had dinner <sup>(25cts paid)</sup> <sup>reid up to Cocks coming</sup> home & road very soft dam. Come up from palgrave without going to towns.

21:

fine & clear: to home chores. to palgrave with Jim in sleigh at 8<sup>10</sup> <sup>80</sup> <sup>(20cts)</sup> for tea: to Caledon <sup>East on train</sup> <sup>(25cts)</sup> to oyster supper for methodist church stopped at Beamish all night: spent 20<sup>cts</sup>: 8.50<sup>cts</sup> for bed & breakfast = 8<sup>1/2</sup> <sup>50</sup> in all

22:

fine warm day up 5<sup>th</sup> line Caledon dinner at Mrs. Cunningham's tea at George Brackens stopped all night at Maragans: sold 20 lbs of tea today!

23:

Squally snow: fine warm day: up 5<sup>th</sup> line to No 10 across to 4<sup>th</sup> line down it to No 5: dinner at McElliott's across to 3<sup>rd</sup> line up it to Joseph Fergusons foot of the mountain stopped there all night: sold 25 lbs today fine: clear night

24:

fine clear warm day: across Fergusons field to 2<sup>nd</sup> line up it to 10<sup>th</sup> across down to Charleston down centre road to Claude got ride with Alexander Call to Well 5 then walked down stopped at Peter Mc Garveys all night <sup>Spent 70cts</sup> sold 10 eggs today

25:

cloudy snowing & rain to noon: mild after noon: walk up centre road to main road walk up track to Caledon East there came to palgrave on train to Stokes for that 1.30<sup>cts</sup> & 9<sup>cts</sup> to practice & walk home road very wet & windy night

26:

rainy day got 10<sup>cts</sup> in raining 10<sup>cts</sup> into a gumbite collar 2<sup>cts</sup> <sup>(in G.C. Campbell)</sup> ticket 20<sup>cts</sup>; fare to palgrave 20<sup>cts</sup>; 80<sup>cts</sup> in all

27:

cloudy blustery snow arrived: to home chore write in these for last week chores Lizzie John Robbie here: to palgrave Maggie & in cutter with George stopped for practice after church: Mr. Blanchard preached: snowy blustery night cold

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27: clear cold west wind: to home. chores write name on circulars & cards take down the names of orders on blank sheet. water & feed cows (fine moonlight night very cold) (Bed them)

28: fine clear cold S.W. wind snow at night: chores: to Mono Mills with george in cutter got his teeth filed by R. Mason <sup>50cts</sup> paid: to Orangerville got 4 pounds of arsenic 5 grains each for george: got lunch: checked for horse in stable. Back to Mono Mills. got woolen drayers at Patterson & Mason's house: \$1 <sup>35cts</sup> <sub>100</sub> in al

29: fine mild calm day: to home: chores: in Bush pa & I cut 1. cord 22 in wood to mill with 173 <sup>lbs</sup> oats. got chopped: home & paint new neck yoke chores to Bush

March 1: with Jim for load of wood feed & clean horses: gave them some turnips

Cloudy Mild: snowing afternoon: to Toronto: to Ross Hill with Jim then got ride with Willie Campbell to Bolton Mrs Gregg & I stopped at Station Bolton fare to city & return \$1 <sup>35</sup> <sub>100</sub>: Barber 25cts: dinner 25cts: gave for A. McMurtry

\$8 <sup>100</sup> on tea. order 2. cigars, <sup>10cts</sup>: fare to palgrave 25cts: Orange & figs 15cts: \$16 <sup>10</sup>

2: get back to palgrave on evening train went to A. Stokes' house & chat there to the

Church to practice a few times Ada played: then home in cutter with Maggie & Billy Bingham

3: Snowing & Sleeting all day: to home read clean out cow stable & bed the

wife letter to John McManam: to Ballycroy post office: in town for chat - town

stable thrashing oats: then home do chores carry in wood misty rain tonight

4: clear cold N.W. wind: to home: chores to cook with cattle: read & sleep: chores help

Jim to get 2 bags oats to stable put in horses & flour: got tea then Maggie & I went

to palgrave George & cutter got tea coffee & B. powder at Station <sup>60cts</sup> <sup>paid</sup> Express: then to

Church to practice for tomorrow night - done very well: home pretty cold night: looked

5: clear & frosty cold air: to home chores: clean out cow stable & horse stable

Shave read sing sleep: to palgrave at night Jim Maggie & I Sam & Jim Scott

we had Sam McAllan's Sleigh: sing in Choir: Solo: Trusking on the promise of the Davis

Frank preached then home. I rode with Billy Bingham & Martha in cutter I drove

clear & frosty: to home chores: to Ballycroy to office got nothing with

George & cutter: home for dinner: then down through album got 1. order from

Henry Moran for 5 lbs of Japan at 50cts: then home cold & sleepy: poor days

fine blustery: calm cold: to home forenoon write letter to J. A. McMurtry

for invoice & price of Tea by the chest: down 15<sup>th</sup> line to 25: across to 3. and up to

town line home got order from Mrs Longworth for 3 lbs Japan Tea at 35cts per lb.

Sold 1. tin B. powder to Mrs Gormican <sup>35cts</sup> <sup>paid</sup> & 1. to Mrs Longworth <sup>35cts</sup> <sup>paid</sup> got tea at J. Martin's

6: fine: cloudy Mild: to home chores: feed horses write name on bills & cards:

to Tom Cobain's sale afternoon Jim & George & cutter: Jim bought a Steer for \$15 <sup>25</sup>

ten months credit: drove it home fine night-mild) Due 1<sup>st</sup> of Jan <sup>1889</sup>

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8<sup>th</sup> fine mild clear rain: to Orangeville fair George & cutter post express  
over from Mono Mills to Orangeville with me spent 10<sup>cts</sup>; got big watch fixed 30<sup>cts</sup>  
lunch at medley's 15<sup>cts</sup>: matches 3 boxes 3<sup>cts</sup>: group picture 30<sup>cts</sup>: spent 10<sup>cts</sup> shared 3  
then to Mono Mills & got order for 3<sup>lb</sup> tea at 25<sup>cts</sup> per lb: then home got supper

Maggie & I went to Palgrave to practice sash & cutter: then home & write letter to Mr.  
9<sup>th</sup> fine clear warm hot sun: left home in morning with George & cutter with  
tea. Coffe & powder drove to Mono Mills post letter went down 6 line to Stony Hill  
went across Rd 15 side road to 3<sup>rd</sup> line then down to Joseph Ferguson's for dinner & fed horse

then went down 3<sup>rd</sup> line to R. Grahams to A. Grahams to A. McFarlanes & to A. Campbells.

Sent tea up to Andersons back to T. Hartons to Mrs Bourlands to George Bradens for  
all night: fine mild night

10<sup>th</sup> cloudy mild clear warm: left of Bradens went to Haragans: drove to Caledon east &  
fed horse got bolt in rim of cutter to G. Williams got order for 3<sup>lb</sup> tea at 35<sup>cts</sup> \$1.05

then to Nathan Longs got order for 5<sup>lb</sup> young tyson at 50<sup>cts</sup> \$2.50: then drove home & had supper

(not snowy night) (to Stokes) fed George & Maggie: Billy Bingham & I went to Palgrave to practice took 1/2 bag of potatoes

11<sup>th</sup> X snowing & blowing south wind: to home sleep till 9:30: chores & have read sleep

feed horses Lizzie & George: Robt came here: got tea went to Palgrave to church

Lizzie Maggie Ann & I in sleigh George Robt drove home alone & Frank Blanchard  
(fine clear cold night) There

preached: Maggie & I sing in choir: sang: why not: for voluntary Billy Bingham

12<sup>th</sup> clear & cold N. wind: to home fill out order for tea & write letter to

J. A. McMurtly to Tottenham Lizzie & I got her 4<sup>th</sup> teeth filled \$2.00

I got post office order for \$1.60 to send to J. A. McMurtly spent then

to Palgrave got order from Stokes for 3<sup>lb</sup> black & 2<sup>lb</sup> young tyson \$2.50

close letter with order for tea: post office order & letter & gave it to Brooks to

13<sup>th</sup> cold stormy North storm all day the stormiest day has been this winter

to home: chores read sleep do chores help Maggie in with clothes of line

shovel some snow: chores help Jim get 1/2 bag of oats very cold stormy night

14<sup>th</sup> clear cold fine: to home chores: to Tom's helps him to cut on few blocks of wood

had dinner there then Tom & I went up home Tom got some potatoes & I got coal

bones: then we started to go to Cook's sale no sale back to Palgrave I went to

station Tom went to Billy Mullens: I got ride up with Joe McLaughlin in sleigh

the road drizzled awful bad

15<sup>th</sup> fine clear mild: to home haul over 1<sup>load</sup> of hay to stable Tom Jim & I

chores to bush cutting wood Tom Jim & I home & chores Maggie & I went to

Palgrave Nelson & cutter road very bad took 6. doz. Eggs to Palgrave for Ann to

Doreen McMahons got 25<sup>cts</sup> of old stamps post 2 letters on train got bottle pastilles 25<sup>cts</sup>

to church & sing for practice good time fine mild night home at 11:30

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16:

cloudy fine mild: to palgrave with george & cutter got 2 shoes removed. george: got my felt boots sewed & a half sole on 1. & got heels on luggies slippers. a piece on 1. of her shoes at Lavery's: gave Mrs McMarion a bag of potato at 90cts got sugar for it: got \$4.00 from rent & 90cts for 1. bag of potatoes from Stokes I had dinner with him. chat to old ales in Flemings play checkers with priscilla hitch up george & feed him oats in tracys shed then home: snowy night

17:

clear fine cold: in S. McClellands Bush help tom to cut hemlock tops: home for dinner: to Joseph Coolahans sale after noon with tom & Dave home for tea do chores: went to palgrave Maggie Lizzie & I in cutter to practice to Flemings

18X:

fine clear mild S. wind: to home chores clean out stables water cows share dress: pa ana Jim & Liz went to Keaneys church in Sligo: I went to palgrave to S. School george & cutter home got tea then Liz Maggie & I went to palgrave to Church Wilsons stop & practice after church then home: am got ride home with Billy Bingham. tonight

19:

fine clear warm: to home to tom in morning to S. McClellands about bee home for Breakfast going to Hill Steer but did not he was too poor: then I went to palgrave with george & cutter took Butter to Mrs McPherson to Station got Tea 5-5 lbs paid not paid took Stokes tea to his place that to Blanchards paid Mrs Blanchard \$1.00 for window: then home Dave Wilson with me cho.

20:

rainy rain mild west wind to home: chores: I made a gate in the barn 10 feet long: Jim tom & Dave Wilson in bush cut wood throwing all day stack fell today

Billy Bingham here tonight chat & sing: chat on line at gates to 2.30 in morning

21:

cloudy Snowing & Blowing N. wind: to home read sleep till noon chores then to Bush after noon help tom Jim & Dave Wilson to cut & pile wood chores at night

22:

clear cold N. wind: to home: in Bush Dave & I tramp road & cut some hemlock

Jim haul home wood: to Cooks Sale after noon to Church practice: home road 15 miles

23:

clear & cold: deliver tea to Mrs Longworth: to Mr Horow: to Mr. Long G. Williams: sold 5-lbs to H. Wilson: to Caledon East fed horse then went to awalt

Murdocks got tea there then to G. Beckens with 1/4 lb of coffee for Mrs Becken present - 10cts

across fields to 4th line up to G. Campbells back down to G. McFarlanes for all night: got 1. order for 5 lbs Black & green from Mrs Gormican this morning -

clear cold: to Toronto left George & Cutter at Q. McFarlanes Belle & Rose went to 116 Jarvis street Toronto: to Rogers for dinner got 2 mats: oranges

fare to Toronto & back: on train: Easter egg: gave ada: drove home 12.30 school at night

24:

cloudy mild night to home: chores clean to creek with cans to palgrave with Liz George to S. School to Stokes for tea: then to Church sing in choir him preached

25:

cloudy rainy: to home chores Dave & I made 2 gate afternoon: pa & ma went to Bolton with 3 bags of wheat got 1. Barn to bags: nicely all day (tom pick his potatoes)

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cloudy warm mild: to Bingham's for chat to boys to currants & forty  
then to palgrave fed george bats in Treacy's shed. I had dinner at Stokes  
& I cut his hair. hitch up george went up to Dodworths for a chat then to  
(no orders today)

28:

cloudy rain to noon cloudy mild: to home chores write letter to S. Lower  
sleep till noon: then went to bush with Jim & Dave cut wood tom came up  
help me to cut

29:

fine mild cloudy cool snow at night: to Orangeville Sarah & George &  
cutter got Moustache Cap & Sancer. Dinner: sweets: check for horse hay: Sarah got  
dress goods & paid Bonnar coming home on road: road very bad got home at 5<sup>35cts</sup>  
got tea then maggie & I went to palgrave to prayer meeting & practice I got 2 launts for orange  
Ada played

30:

cloudy mild snow storm: chores write letter to Ontario Lea Company  
and enclose \$2.00 in it: to post office afternoon post letter talk to San  
he came down to town: Bill & Fanny & mealie there home & help maggie milk  
chorus & cows

31:

fine warm mild: to home chores to Ballyrag george & cutter left cloth  
at Cooks for suit. home for dinner: to palgrave see barley Zimmerman  
about lumber for platform: then to 8<sup>th</sup> line went up & down & back to palgrave  
put george in Stokes stable: cut Maria Bodsworths hair had tea I went to prechee  
maggie went with Billy Bingham & back again

April 1 with phoebe: hitch horse then practice then home road getting very slushy

fine cloudy cool: to home chores water cattle clean out stables then  
went to palgrave S. School: then to Coulters for tea I rode home with Billy Bingham then drove our horses: meaty maggie made a meal  
Baby  
Boys sing in choir Ada Blanchard played I eat 8 eggs today Easter

2:

fine mild: Started for the forks of the credit: got to John Bibles for  
dinner to Haragans for night - no orders today: to Brackens & Lindseys with  
in cattle

3:

fine warm day: at Haragans wood bee sawing wood till tea time then  
to J. Fords at the Flarks all night - no orders today: at forks all night

4:

fine warm cloudy mild: left forks & went to forks got 1. order from  
Jack Bunn: had dinner at Mrs Woods: waked up into quanee to see men run  
then up through Brimstone point to Cataract road very bad then to Charleston &

5:

W. Stubb's note for \$8.00 for few months then started home got them  
cloudy rain thunder rain till noon: fine & mild afternoon: I helped

6:

maggie to milk then I waste in this for last 3 days then I slept  
till dinner time: then Jim & I went to bush & fall birch tree & saw  
most of it home had tea: then to S. Kelly's Jim & I help him to skin Bull.

7:

fine mild windy west wind cool: to home haul over load  
of hay on sleigh to stable: Jim & I saw I read & sleep & chores  
till tea 4 o'clock then Jim & I went to bush: saw up Big Beach top  
sand & cut down maple tree out of basswood cut off 2 cuts home & chores

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- 7: frosty cool N. air: to home in Bush Sawing wood Jim & I sawed maple & Beeches & fell 1. Birch & cut off 10 blocks. to house feed & water horses share to palgrave on nelson to practice ward there road very bad: good & fine clear warm frosty at night: to home chores read sleep till noon to palgrave S. School. to Flemings for Tea: then to Church Frank pre Billy Bingham & I in sodworths for chat: walk home roads muddy in towns for a fine warm: fill out order for 2. caddies of Tea & write letter to J. A. McMurtry to palgrave pile maple flooring in old Stable had dinner at Stokes: then to Frank Mc Cauley's No 18. 7th line album to get Catash cured Stiff all night: went through 1. operation very hard to stand -
- 10: cloudy rainy all day: Started home from Mc Cauley's. to palgrave at Station talk to Brooks: had dinner at Mrs McNaughton's: got 51 worth of postage stamps at Beatty's: to Flemings for umbrella then home fine mild clear: to home & seal letter with \$1<sup>57</sup> for Mc Murtry. & C per Lizzie to post: in Bush saw Birch tree then fell 3 trees & trimmed them up then fell 5 more to be trimmed tomorrow: cut Billy Bingham's hair: miles fine clear cool cold: to J. Watsons with flora come to Bell: she took to home afternoon grind time etc: in Bush pa & I trim up 5 trees then home chores then went to Bingham's Curran's & Finerty's ask hands for sawing 13
- 13: fine mild warm S. wind squally snow fine mild evening: to home all day sawing wood in Bush (Sawing Bee) tom Faulkner. Jas Jones. Billy young Bob White. Billy Bingham. Barney Curran. John Finerty. S. Kelly & Jim pa & I will Lindsey here today on Sulky: got 2 letters from Mc Murtry. 1. or better
- 14: cloudy squally snow cool N. wind: to Ballyroy get pants cut out at Brooks 25<sup>00</sup> pa at home chores get buggy out & oiled: share: Sarah & I to palgrave with Nelson & buggy to station for Tea 2 caddies got 5cts worth to sodworths see Maria: to
- 15 X fine mild cool night: to home chores read sleep. dress to palgrave at night to Church Mr Blanchard preached I had lantern ann. Sarah Liz. May Billy Bingham & I walked. the road was muddy to town coming home fine cool bright N. wind cold: to Ned Gormican with a Caddie of Tea \$2<sup>50</sup> paid \$2<sup>25</sup>: then home dinner: to Stokes with 1. bag potatoes: Mc Cauley for ear cure gave him \$2<sup>00</sup>: back to palgrave to station then to church Brooks & I measure platform: then home & chores cold clear night
- 16: fine mild South wind squally snow cool: walk to Credit Forks with tea to Mr. Inglewood came to palgrave on train: walk home in towns for chores fine clear cool windy: to home paint gate in Barn: chores to town at noon cut his hair: home finish gate: Mrs McNaughton & Mrs. Strangeways & Mabel here today: to palgrave at night Frank had service good meeting: home on nelson: fine clear moonlight night cool.

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April

- 19: fine & cool: to home get ready to go to palgrave feed horses: to palgrave haul stones with nelson on stoneboat: to church at night Frank preached singing & I home in buggy. Bill Bingham & I to Ballyergy to hear about Scott Act: in town home to bed 12:20 got \$14.90 from Stokes
- 20: cloudy cool north wind cold night: to palgrave with nelson haul stones & brick dig hole for parliament house scrape up broken brick & stones to church Mr Blanchard preached home in buggy. Liz mag & I cool night: got letter from John McManam all well; write
- 21: cloudy cold Squally snow cold night: to palgrave nelson & buggy Build parliament house got 5 lbs 3 in rails & 5 lbs 4 in rails at park McManam's: to practice at night Ad played
- 22 X: fine mild cool calm: to home chores water cows & clean out stables feed horses Share & dress. to palgrave S. School: to <sup>walk home</sup> <sup>Frank there too</sup> Flannings for tea. to church at night old moon
- 23: fine clear cool, to home help Jim to haul 2 barrels water on wagon haul slugs to barn full of georges shoes oil buggy grind drawing knife: to palgrave with Charlie & buggy to shop to Lancy's with lizzies shoe: finish Stokes back house & chip away saw dust: got cart & haul 2 loads of brick & stone to pond: to church fine night
- 24: fine clear cold N. wind: to J. Leggett's for 2 bushels of pears: took Sarah trunk over & willie took Sarah in buggy <sup>home in buggy</sup> to guests see about oats then home for dinner then to palgrave: finish moving stones: got 2 shoes on charlie at nicks: at Stokes for tea: to church
- 25: fine clear warm: to palgrave with Dickie Steer for whitehead <sup>\$14.00</sup> <sup>\$14.00</sup> to station talk to Brooks had dinner at Stokes got lumber for church help Brooks to build platform for choir: to Blanchards for tea <sup>at Stokes all night</sup> then to church
- 26: fine clear very warm: at palgrave pull boards off old kitchen & clean it out <sup>(Jim sowed peas today)</sup> finish platform had breakfast dinner & tea at Stokes to church & practice then walk home
- 27: fine hot very hot: to home help Jim sow oats & clover in garden dig up plum trees & plant them in garden clean up in little garden: to Jarr's mill Centerville see about oats he had none: to G Williams got \$8.00 from him for tea: home & supper fed nelson then Liz mag & I to palgrave to church very warm night.
- 28: fine very warm dry: to home put mud in stall for george's feet: take & plant tree out of garden into corner of field to Ballyergy see about clothes: home work in garden cut Jim's hair & William James Faulkner's oil wagon took 3 bags of potatoes to Mr Hadden & I to Mrs McMahon: 2 to Billy Mullins for tea & took gate down bring stone boat home: Jim mag & I to practice Jim went home we stopped
- 29 X: fine warm wind cool night: to palgrave prayer & class meeting, to Dads worth for dinner <sup>Bill Bingham</sup> <sup>May 2</sup> <sup>Liz & I</sup> <sup>walk home</sup> to S. School: to Blanchards for tea: to church Frank preached sing in choir
- 30: cloudy cool drizzling rain at night: to home do chores haul 1 barrel of water with george on stone boat trim georges hoofs clean out cow stables water cows him up little garden plant 1 plum tree & some poplars: far & Jim went to Orangerville today for oats <sup>bush</sup> 2 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  at 43 $\frac{1}{2}$  got new spade <sup>\$1.00</sup>: sleep read book

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May

- 1: cloudy cool snow misty cool: to home haul over 1 load hay to stable  
haul manure into little garden on Stoneboat plow garden; helps Jim  
pick stones back of 1 acre field & new land: to palgrave Liz may & I to church  
fine clear cool: to palgrave Charlie & Buggy got Billy Muller to help me  
dig post-holes & put in posts for fence got Nicols maggot to haul lumber  
227 feet from Darley: to Church at night - Bob Stokes & I good time.  
Liz may  
3: fine mild: to palgrave build picked fence & more round old Kitchen &  
house Billy Muller & I: to church I was late: practice then home  
4: cloudy cool misty rain at night: to palgrave put posts under hill  
& put up shop. Billy Muller & I: to church: then home in Buggy Liz may  
5: cloudy cool all day: to palgrave Shingle Stoop & close up Kitchen <sup>(pods)</sup> <sub>home</sub>,  
floor: got 1 bushel peas from Barrie: plant 4 Oak Leaf Mountain Ash: to practice  
fine clear warm cool north wind: to home forenoon feed horses, shave, get  
shoe & went to palgrave to S. School I taught Tom Coulter's class: to Station walk  
had sleep on bench: to church Frank preached Ada played small home Liz may  
7: fine clear mild: to palgrave work at old Kitchen Billy Muller & I lay  
up side up fit fence paid Billy \$2.00 & I owe him \$1.75 yet: to church: walk home.  
8: fine warm cloudy rain: to home forenoon helps Jim clean Barley haul it,  
field help him to sow in new land: to palgrave with door of old house  
pick up lumber paint little gate put lumber in cook house & stable:  
to church at night then drive to  
9: cloudy misty warm clear: to palgrave pick up rubbish scrape out grance  
& put chip dirt on garden spread manure & plow garden: leave home plowed  
10: fine very warm: to palgrave Liz & I walk down: I built a walk in front  
of the house & leveled gravel fit steps to cook house & fit doors then to church  
good meeting reception I joined the church: Bill Bingham & I walk home I paid Darley \$2.75  
11: fine clear hot: to palgrave measure cellar windows to Tottenham for  
dash but did not get them: to Joseph Prestons for dinner: to palgrave tea at Mrs  
McMahon's to Station: to Glenings with Brooks talk to Maggie for awhile then home  
12: fine warm cloudy thunder shower at noon clear & cool: walk to palgrave doing  
what to be up to enough house but he did not come: I went fishing with  
Will Lindsey to shores got no fish: had tea at Mrs McMahon's: to practice  
13: fine clear cool: to home sleep chores: to palgrave S. Sister Coulter's for  
tea, to church Mr Blanchard preached big crowd: practice after church home  
14: fine & cool: to home chores to S. Kelly's for horse got none: to Cott's for  
shoe she just had foaled: home fill 2 loads of hen manure pick  
stones of creek field: to palgrave got Coulter sharpened at Nicols some bats  
to Mrs McMahon cut R. Stokes hair: to meeting in church about S.S. &  
anniversary hot time drive home very dark.

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May

15:

cloudy cold snowing cool rain in evening: to home write letter to Jas Gilchrist-Hamilton: to S. Kellys with charlie for pelvis: to palgrave with 5 dozen eggs & post letter: got T. Shinniman's horse at noon, plow in creek field with charlie & him: to palgrave at night to band meeting good time

16:

cloudy cold N.E. wind: to home plowing in creek field <sup>mother & am here at the time</sup> with jack & charlie

17:

cloudy mild: to home plowing in creek field finished Jim & J. to

18:

cloudy rain cold: to home harrowing & sowing oats broadcast in creek field walk home

19:

cloudy & cool: to home finish sowing creek field with jack & charlie haul over 1 load of hay to stable haul some straw to tom put in drill: share & walk to palgrave to station talk to Brooks: to store chat to Stokes see bob: to practice and

20 X:

fine clear mild: to home chores <sup>and</sup> Maggie went to Dan Sullivan's funeral I put away cattle to bush fed horses: to palgrave walk to Dr. to <sup>walk home</sup> shades for tea to church Mr Blanchard preached: rode home in buggy with Maggie chores fine moonlight

21:

fine warm clear S.E. wind: to home haul rails with charlie & jack haul home lumber from stack rolling in creek field very dry & dusty: T. Shinniman here at night

22:

clear very hot dry S.E. wind: to home finish rolling creek field to <sup>from whites</sup> gave T. Shinniman \$1.50 in saw mill port hole work for plow plow potato ground: jack & charlie to palgrave to band meeting at night

23:

fine hot dry S. wind: to home finish plowing potato ground at noon then clear whites plow home: to palgrave Maggie & to English Church Confirmation

24:

confirmed: to Mrs McPherson for tea to station <sup>see wedding party away</sup> to Stokes for rolls <sup>to come</sup> Robert Innes & Jane McElvain got married today: to Mrs Coulter with butter

25:

fine warm dry: went fishing in morning caught 8 trout home chose sleep <sup>home with me</sup> to S. Kellys see about maggot: to palgrave to prayer meeting drove off jack & Billy Bugg

26:

fine cloudy S. wind: to home fill manure all day: to palgrave at night Maggie & I to practice misley rain coming home good practice tonight - ward there

27:

cloudy misley hulky heat: to home filling manure all day: to palgrave at night got new buggy from H. Beatty: price one note for \$25.00 for eight months <sup>at moonlight</sup> <sup>Brought home buggy</sup> 8 per cent - at 8 per cent interest and one note for \$50.00 for twenty months at

28:

fine hot cloudy misley mild: to home help Jim to hitch Nelson in mom Buggy Jim Maggie & Lizzie Ann went to Keaneys. Liz & I stopped at home read

29:

reading sleep: to palgrave at night Maggie & I in new buggy with Nelson Frank preached S. wind george & buggy

30:

clear cool N.W. wind: to home dropping potatoes 8 bags of seed: very cold tonight - cloudy rain till noon fine evening: to home drop potatoes read: to palgrave with

31:

cheese & buggy to Mr Bracken at Stokes for tea Coal house roof: to prayer meeting & practice brought home sand & lime: Billy Rington home in buggy with me: got castor oil & colic medicine

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June

- 1: fine cool cloudy rain at night; to home finish dropping potatoes in back field  
2: fine cool N. wind; to home plant some cup potatoes on end lanes then to S. McClellan  
to drop potatoes but they were down had dinner at same then help Sam to mark lanes &  
<sup>(till Tom came)</sup> closer & plow some for millet at swamp then home & Steve help to haul over some hay; Burn gru  
3 X: fine clear cool N. air; to home do chores read sleep; to palgrave to Church  
Liz Maggie & I Mr Brandon preached; to Mrs McMahons for a chat after church  
4: fine clear warm no wind; to home spread manure before breakfast cut seed after  
& drop potatoes 3 bags in sod hill; fit little gate load gun & look for groundhogs got none  
look at gnats in apple trees talk to Ann & Maggie Lindsey; Burn gnats with coal oil in stick  
5: clear fine warm; cool S. wind; to palgrave with Liz to Jeffersons help Mill Lindsey & Old John  
Jefferson to plant Mrs McMahons potatoes got two at 3<sup>30</sup>; at station what to Brooks &  
<sup>(Dug out on yesterday)</sup> young Cosgrave; to Stokes Brooks & I to see prelaching at Blanchards band meeting; Ada & Maggie p  
6: clear fine very dry windy & dusty no wind & to pettis to get him to cut 3 bulls but he was  
not at home; home read & sleep chores & pull red root in fall wheat; Jim to Lyons  
7: fine clear warm; cool S. wind; to home in bush with gun look for tom deer got him at noon  
chores pull red root in fall wheat; to palgrave Maggie & I to prayer meeting & practice -  
8: fine warm clear; to palgrave work on road dinner at Stinsons tea at Mrs McMa  
to practice then home Mr Ward Maggie & I in buggy Liz went with Billy Bingham warm  
9: fine clear very warm; Ward & I went fishing up hunter I got & he got 3; I cut his hair &  
Shared him & he shared me went & brought home George horse & mount to palgrave ward  
& I to get 2 shoes on george but J. Nicol was gone to Tottenham; home again <sup>rain tonight</sup> Shane Jim  
10 X: fine very hot wind; cloudy showy cool night; to home to Keaneys church walk up got ride back  
with D. Kelly Ward & I Lavery preached; to home afternoon chores sing sleep. To  
palgrave church Maggie Ward & I in buggy Mr Blanchard preached; then I drove Mrs McMahons  
down to Jeffersons & back Ward drove her horse with Mrs Jefferson & Maggie; then home  
fine cool N. wind; to town for axe at home <sup>Started</sup> peeling bark pack J. Jim after  
11: fine clear mild N. wind; to town to exchange axes talk to Billy Bingham  
in our bush peel bark to noon; then to palgrave with 1. bag potatoes to  
Mrs McMahons; to S. McCauleys with syringe; back to palgrave & fit at windows  
13: fine cloudy misty warm; to home peel bark to palgrave at night 13. Bingham  
14: fine warm cloudy little rain fine night; help Jim to dinner steel to mono  
mills walk back Jim & payment to Drangerville but did not sell & look for cow  
& calves. cut Burdocks with spade make 2 buttons; Burn brush & rubbish on road  
at gate  
15: clear very hot sultry; to home; peeling bark; put up sleighs for summer  
peel bark; then to palgrave Maggie & I to practice in buggy very hot night  
16: fine very hot sultry; to home help move stone into cool house; peel bark  
cut stones & willies hair at noon; peel bark till tea time then to palgrave with  
Nelson & buggy to Stokes got hair cut & shaved; put in windows in cellar <sup>got 27</sup> from the garden

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June

17.X

fine sultry very warm dry & dusty: to home put away cows. sleep: good wash in cook house: sing & dress: to palgrave at night-Liz. mag & I in buggy: Mr. Riddel preached it very hot voluntary 1/2 1<sup>st</sup>

18:

fine very hot & dry: to home: peg & sew shoes and fix harness: peeling Bark part 3 <sup>Acadia</sup>

19:

fin harrow potatoes: to palgrave at night-maggie & I walking. appoint-committee & fine clear very hot dry S.E. wind: to home: help Jim to make drills for turnips & shoot ground hog: peel Bark: Sanderson Insured the palgrave house today for \$1.00 <sup>(at)</sup> <sub>100</sub> \$5.00 <sup>fine moonlight-night-warmed</sup> for 3 years: to Stinsons at night-to see Clayburn he was not there

20:

fine clear very dry & hot: to P. Ginerly for turnip-drill: then help Jim to make a roller roll turnip drills: Sowed what seed we had Jim went to palgrave to get more got none then got some from Bingham's: I shored dress. then went to palgrave Maggie & I to practice: Settled with Stokes for Board & he gave me \$7.00 <sup>as rent</sup>

21:

sultry very hot dry: finish sowing turnips: bring home drill to Ginerly's

22:

peel Bark & file Bark: a little shower rain: to palgrave Maggie & I to practice hot-  
sultry hot dry: to S. M. Gellands working for Lord Faulkner: helps to put in curb in well: to palgrave at night Maggie & I to practice: in Blanchards with Ward come up tonight-all night hard

23:

cloudy very hot heavy shower of rain fine rain: to home afternoon to share ward & myself to palgrave to decorate the church: Mrs. McInerney for tea then

24.X

cloudy misty nice rain: fine & warm: to palgrave Maggie Ward & I in buggy to Church Mr. Riddel preached: home sleep to palgrave Liz mag & I Doffin from

25:

fine: cloudy rain: fair up: Jim & I to whites gate for scraper: then plow & scrape road to haul rails: haul rails & build fence: to palgrave Liz mag Jim & I to tea meeting: I took tea with Mrs. McInerney: sing in choir & sing solo. Old & only in the way ward

26:

clear & cool: took Liz down to Robs: back to palgrave got 2 shoes removed on charlie at Nicols: got boots at <sup>65cts paid</sup> Flemings: home: sleep: peel Bark: to Bingham's

27:

cloudy: clear cool all day S.E. wind: to home grind sickle & scythe to clean hay: Jim raked up with George: cock up hay: R. Bingham took my watch to Orangeville got it fixed

28:

Cloudy east wind rain all day: to home fit hay in sun: <sup>first - wet day of the season</sup> Sew shoe cool rain A grease them. Sew lines shores: to Ballycroy for paper got some lozenges shores

29:

clear fine warm: working on the road Jim & I with horses are put in 4 days today: Jim went to presbyterian picnic: I mowed some chores

30:

fine clear mild: to home finish mowing in flat field rake up & haul in 1 load: to palgrave at night to meet Liz coming from Robs. cool night

July:

1: fine warm day: to home put away cows. Share got ready went to palgrave S.S. Liz & I walk: to Mrs. McInerney for tea to Church Frank preached: then to Mrs. McInerney with her & Liz & mag: to Stinsons see Jim: to Stokes for chat to Bob

2:

fine warm: to Kelly's see about horse: home & wash buggy at lumber home & oil it out. Thistles to Kelly's for horse: home & dress. To cots got 3 Boxes berries <sup>soot</sup>: the miss pettinger to our coulter & stinsons <sup>one cushion</sup>: then Mrs. McInerney Liz & I went to garden party at A. Cranston's good time Big crowd get home at bedrock at night

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July 3:

fine warm dry: to home fix hen pen. sleep. cut thistles in wheat: then to McClellans saw mill for edging to put over top of hen fence to keep hens from flying out: then to palgrave Charlie & Buggy: see Shinniman: get stirring 7<sup>5</sup>

4: fine warm dry: to S. Kelly's make mortar forenoon & mould potatoes afternoon at McClellan raised his Barn today. Steve went to raising: chat to B. Bingham &

5: fine dry warm: to home hoe potatoes: clean out - well & put near succor pump. gave Jim Shinniman 75<sup>c</sup> for doing it: then Jim & I grind sickle for answer: chat to Tom & May shore: walk home (got a

6: I went to palgrave at night - cut Stokes hair on parson meeting: to Mrs. McMahons for sugar

fine clear dry: to home - cut thistles. Steve cut our 2 little pigs: got Charlie & started to borrow hill quit early: Jim raked up & for & I put it up in cocks,

7: fine warm windy dry: to home finish cutting meadow on hill. then to J. McClellands help him to Paris green his potatoes. then home & fine

8X: fine warm misley warm: to home put George & Charlie to pasture. then Sam wash: to palgrave S.S. late. to Blanchards for practice: to Mrs. McMahons. then

9: fine warm dry: to home mow fence corners & cut hay in garden full cherries: then to palgrave to post parcel to Simon Lower dress for <sup>postage 24</sup> ~~liz~~ <sup>home with mag.</sup> (Church with

got 2 shoes on George's front feet - Station chat to Brooks: got \$1<sup>00</sup> of cras

10: fine warm cloudy little misley. fine night: to home finish picking cherries: Jim: for & I peel bark & carry in little bundles of hay: fine warm night

11: fine. cloudy showy, cool: to home. peel bark. Jim picks & then

12: went to palgrave at night - got am's shoes at Lavery's 25<sup>c</sup> paid: chat to parson

13: fine cool day: to Brampton. Tom & I had good time: had tea at Mr. & Mrs. ...

14: fine clear dry: to Ballyroy to get millet - got none: home & planted potatoes & some turnips. to S. McClellands with Bob's drill: chat to Billy Bingham & Tom.

15X: fine clear warm day: to home water cows herd cows in flat field till on

then put cows in bush. home had dinner read sleep feed horses had tea then

dress & went to palgrave Liz stayed in buggy no preachers had a sing then he (had a play)

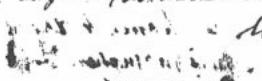
16: fine warm dry: to home: peel bark Jim & I. got ash for candle fringe

17: fine & dry: to home fix cradle. grind blade out some fall wheat & sh 35<sup>c</sup> paid

then to palgrave Charlie & Buggy: got 120 lbs plaster: got ring in reaper neck got from at Nicols: got 1 pair binding gloves & 1 quart machine oil from Mrs. McMahons: got spec

18: cloudy rain cloudy warm. mild: to home grind reaper sickle. sleep in bush peeling bark. Jim & I. after tea: put in feed & bed for Nelson: Jan

19: fine clear dry: to home peel bark till noon. then cradle road around wheat & started to reap. & kind ~~unmarked~~ marked out till 9:30 o'clock. cool



Write letter to J. Preston

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July

- 20: cloudy cool fine: to home stock up wheat before breakfast  
reap & bind & stock up in middle field; cut road round piece in 6 acres
- cool chores
- 21: fine cool mild cool air: to home reap wheat in 6 acres & bind  
Jim & I & shock; put on paris green after tea; wash & share them to palgrave  
Maggie & I to practice to mow mowmows for chat; practice no good: then home Liz mag & I  
dry & cool
- 22 X: cloudy rain nearly all day. heavy rain at 6 o'clock cloudy & warm: to home  
sleep till 10 o'clock: to town for chat got some cherries: home dress for church but did  
not go on account of rain: sing Liz mag & I in sitting room. chores?
- 23: clear & warm: cloudy rain shower till night from tea: to home put on  
paris green on potatoes Jim & I with plaster: grind sickle cut road round  
wheat both pieces: chores put horses George & Charlie in pasture: to town for chat  
then home
- 24: fine & clear cool: to home reaping wheat & binding finished cutting fall  
wheat today: to palgrave at night for plaster got 1/2 lbs 60¢ paid: home cool
- 25: moonlight  
fine clear cool air: to home help Jim to mix paris green in  
plaster: solder handle on dipper: finish stocking up fall wheat at noon  
then Jim & I grind 2 sickles & cradle blade & 2 hoes: cutting grass & thistles in potatoe  
field
- 26: fine cool: cloudy rain: to home put paris green on potatoes on hill  
& some in field got some berries: got horses: put sack on wagon &  
haul in wheat-till rain came on about 7.30 o'clock. chores.
- 27: cloudy misley: cool clear cool: to home: chink up Barn fit reaper  
rakes: put on paris green on potatoes. Bring horses home at night
- 28: flora  
fine warm clear: to L. Watsons with cow to build on Charlie: to home reaping  
Barley to palgrave at night Maggie & I to practice: basket of potatoes to Mrs McPherson
29. X: fine clear very warm: got ready & went to palgrave had lunch with L. Stokes  
then went to Mrs Carters funeral with Hattie Mellow to Centerville then to Mrs McPherson's  
for tea: to Church with her. sang in choir: home with me Liz mag & I had chat at Brook  
home 8:30 Chas
- 30: fine very hot dry: to home reap Barley in new land; haul in 4 loads barley &  
rakeings: Shingle Barn roof: haul in 1 load of fall wheat: fine cool night
- 31: cloudy warm. misley rain: clear cool: to home: reap Barley in seven acres  
August 1st ground sickle: haul in 2 loads of fall wheat: fit old buggy when raining
- 32: clear & fine hot: to home: haul in last load of wheat: cut oats  
in orchard. Cradle Barley haul in 3 loads Barley out of new land cool
- 33: fine clear warm: to home: grind sickle. cut road round oats out  
at point-reap oats in point: haul in 3 loads of Barley & rakeings: cool
- 34: fine, cloudy thunder in north: to home: haul in last of fall wheat rakeings  
haul in a little Barley & some corn Beans: turn oats in garden: haul in Barley & rakeings  
haul in 2 load of oats out of garden put horses in garden: to R. Lyndes got hair cut  
rain very heavy during thunder & great lightning

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August

- 4: fine very warm: to home. hoe corn & beans & cut grass in potatoes to palgrave at night-may & I to practice. gave J. Mc Gilland 25<sup>00</sup> for foaper 6 mon. paid Bob Howard 50cts for wash to station. looking for grass seed but got none home at 1/2
- 5:X: fine clear warm: to home. got cherries & berries. Sleep to palgrave, dig mag & I to Church Mr Riddel preached very warm: home for chat: then walk up hills
- 6: fine warm day: to palgrave with Jim in buggy. Started to work on fence gang at Hollies. Board at Stokes 2 meals. town for chat at
- 7: fine warm day: at palgrave work on fence gang. Board at Stokes 3 meals. got dinner can from Mr Dadsorth. for walk int to 8th line.
- 8: fine: cloudy heavy rain showry: at palgrave went to georgetown on train work on fence gang had 2 meals at Stokes & I. at Gibbs Hotel: got car
- 9: fine cool day at Georgetown work on fence: Board at Gibbs 3 meals
- 10: fine cool day at Georgetown work on fence (started to wire)
- 11: cloudy & cool. at Georgetown work on fence & Board at Gibbs 2 meals
- then home to palgrave at night on train to practice. Lizz. May & I. home in misty & rainy walking
- 12:X: cloudy cool N.E. wind: to home read & sleep: to palgrave to church at night
- 13: fine cool day. Lizzie left me to the station palgrave Nelson & Ba  
at Gibbs went to georgetown on train. work at fence. Billy Muller & I. cut of posts. 1. a
- cloudy cool wind. at georgetown work at fence. cut posts & put on wire. 3
- 15: fine cool wind at georgetown work at fence cut of posts. put in post  
put on wire. rain at night thunder & lightning. 3 meals at Gibbs
- 16: close very hot. at georgetown work at fence. cut of posts. put in post &  
put on wire. rain at night. Board at Gibbs 3 meals
- 17: cloudy showry. cool. at georgetown work at fence put on wire. cut of post  
put in post 24 on west side put on wire. 3 meals at Gibbs dinner at night
- 18: fine clear warm: at georgetown work at fence cut of posts. put in post  
put on wire. help to dig very hard: home at night on train to palgrave practice  
in church then home with liz & maggie in buggy 2 meals at Gibbs
- 19:X: fine clear warm: to home sleep till 11:30. then walk in field  
read. write. sleep: to palgrave to church at night Frank preached  
Ada. Maggie & I. in choir: to Mrs Mc Mahon's after church for chat. home
- 20: fine cool day. to palgrave with pa in buggy to georgetown on train  
work at fence. dig 2 holes. put in posts & put on wire. Board at Gibbs 3 meals
- 21: cloudy & very warm sat georgetown fencing. dig 2 holes. put in posts & put on wire more posts on lawn. Board at Gibbs 3 meals
- 22: cloudy & cool N. wind: at georgetown work at fence. put in posts & put on wire. got new piggy today. Board at Gibbs 3 meals. election night lots of fun

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August -

- 23: fine & cool: at Georgetown work at fence put in posts & put on wire  
24: clear very strong w. wind: at Georgetown work at fence. cut of posts  
& put in some Board at Gibbs 3 meals
- Board at Gibbs 3 meals
- 25: clear & warm: at Georgetown, work at fence. cut of posts put in  
posts put on wire. home to palgrave on train; got collar & tie at Mrs Mc C's  
then to practice our ward there. then home with his maggie in buggy fine night.
- 26X: fine warm cloudy misty lightning very warm: to home sleep read to palgrave  
to church at night - Mr Blanchard preached. Our ward played: home at nine.
- 27: cloudy cool clear. ma left me to palgrave in buggy. Stokes paid me rent  
to September the 15th. 3<sup>00</sup>: to georgetown on train work at fence cut off  
posts. put in posts put on wire: at Gibbs 1. meal. cool tonight
- 28: fine warm dry N. wind: at georgetown work at fence. cut off posts put in  
posts & put on wire. got mouth organ: at Gibbs 3 meals
- 25cts
- 29: fine warm N. wind: at georgetown: at fence put in posts & finished  
putting on wire at north end. to Barbers paper mill at night - Dick  
Dowdle George Lavery & I walked over great place: at Gibbs 3 meals
- 30: fine warm day: at georgetown finish cutting off posts at N. end at 10 o'clock  
went on jigger to mansfield. put in posts & put on wire afternoon. up  
to georgetown on jigger at night: at Gibbs 3. meals. very warm night
- 31: cloudy cool rain cool. rain at night: at georgetown at fence in Spence's  
Section: put in posts put on wire wet & nasty. at Gibbs 3. meals.
- Sept -
- 1: fine cool day on jigger to S. end: put in posts put on wire on jigger to  
georgetown: at Gibbs 2 meals; home to palgrave on train at night  
to practice our ward. came home with maggie & I in buggy. cool night
- 2X: fine clear mild cool. to home shave sleep sing with our ward  
to palgrave at night - Frank preached. for walk with Joe Lavery  
at Stokes for chat. then walk home with Tom McGovern. cool night
- 3: fine clear & warm: to palgrave with Mr Ward & Jim in buggy to Station. went  
to georgetown on train: at fence make bench cut of posts put on wire. at Gibbs 1. meal
- got Irishman Book 25cts
- 4: fine & cool S. W. wind: at Georgetown. fencing cut of posts put in posts put on wire  
Board at Gibbs 3. meals; at Temperance meeting at night 10cts
- 5: fine & cool. took all the wire down on 2. jiggers. cut of posts put in posts put  
on wire. sick tonight - went to bed without supper. at Gibbs 2. meals.
- 6: clear & fine at Georgetown: took 4 gates & 8 gate posts from Stewarston. on  
lawn. haul posts put in posts put on wire: eat no dinner or supper. at Gibbs
1. meal
- 7: clear & warm. cloudy cool rain at night: work at fence put on wire cut of posts put in  
posts put on wire at Gibbs 3 meals

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- 8: cloudy misty, mild: snowy: at georgetown. at fence put on wire put in posts of posts, put on wire. close up fence at noon. eat dinner. then up on zipper to mo side I put on all the centre wire. 2 meals at Gibbs: home on train to palgrave. fine warm. to home read sleep. Share dress. to palgrave to church for tea. to church I had to sing: Mr Blanchard preached. Liz mag & I & Mrs. McPhahons after church. had a sing: & had a lunch. Liz stopped singing & I  
10: fine very warm. to palgrave in buggy with maggie to Georgetown <sup>(at Band practice)</sup> work at fence. cut of posts put in posts put on wire: felt sick went to bed at 6  
11: fine very warm at Georgetown: work at fence put on wire put in posts put on wire at Gibbs 3 meals: at church Miss Tinsdale preached good meeting fine in  
12: fine warm & windy, at Georgetown: work at fence cut off posts. put on wire put in posts at Gibbs 3 meals: up to station with Allen. to church Miss Tinsdale  
13: fine cool windy, at Georgetown work at fence put on wire cut off posts put in posts put on wire at Gibbs 3 meals: to church Miss Tinsdale <sup>preached</sup> good time.  
14: fine calm very warm: at Georgetown work at fence. cut off posts put in posts, put on wire at Gibbs 3 meals: Jim Burns Sam & I have fun tonight: play bullion & Ada  
15: cloudy mild: at georgetown: work at fence: cut off posts, help Boss, at gate posts, put on wire: very wet mud hole at Gibbs 2 meals: home at night. got 1.00  
16: coal oil for church 30<sup>c</sup>: fill lamps practice good time. Will Coulter home with  
17: cloudy rain misty all day: to home. sing. wash. Share: & Share will Coulter  
palgrave Church at night. Will Coulter & I walked down. Mr. Longhead preac  
Liz Maggie & I rode home in buggy Jim walked. met night: heavy rain  
18: fine cool. to palgrave with Liz in buggy. to georgetown on train work at fence cut off posts put on wire: at church at night miss Tinsdale preached sick: at Gibbs 3 meals.  
19: cloudy & warm at: Georgetown work at fence put on wire: to Milton for pay but did not get it: Back & cut off posts I was sick today better tonight: at Gibbs 3 meals.  
& bring tools to Georgetown: at Gibbs 3 meals: down here tonight.  
20: fine warm & dry: left Georgetown on zipper to Milton: took train to Hamilton  
<sup>25<sup>c</sup></sup> got dinner: then on train to Jarvis had 1 meal at Gibbs 1. at Hamilton 1. at Evans write letter to maggie tonight 30<sup>c</sup>:  
21: fine & warm N. wind: at Jarvis at fence started here today put in 61.00  
& wired them: got first month's wages tonight \$2 87<sup>50</sup>: Board at Evans 3 meals  
22: fine cloudy N. wind: at Jarvis work at fence cut off posts put in 67 posts & wire them Board at Evans 3 meals  
23: fine & warm N. wind: at Jarvis: read & sleep: to port Dover afternoon on John Allen: Billy Muller: George Lavery: Dick Dowdle: Billy Berry: Jim Burns & to Du Lake Eric: at Evans 3 meals. To methodist Church at night: church opening

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- 24: fine clear & warm & wind: at Jarvis: cut off posts put in posts put on wire start  
on west side wired 54 posts today. play in parlour tonight: feed store: painter: carpenter  
at Erwins 3 meals  $\$3$
- 25: cloudy & warm: at Jarvis: cut off posts put in posts & wire 42: put in some: at Erwins 3 meals
- 26: cloudy warm rain at noon fine afternoon rain at night: at Jarvis cut off posts  
put in posts put on wire finish to side line: at Erwins 3 meals: got letter from maggie
- 27: cloudy cool: wind showy cool. at Jarvis: cut off posts put in posts: 3 meals  
at Erwins paid one weeks board tonight  $\$3\frac{15}{20}$
- 28: clear cool showy cold N. wind at Jarvis: put in posts put on wire, cut off posts:  
put on extra wire finish to gate on right: at Erwins 3 meals:
- 29: cloudy cool showy hail & snow: at Jarvis dig 1 hole, put in posts put on wire: at  
Erwins 3 meals: Share: paper: raisins:
- 30X cloudy showy rain w. wind: at Jarvis for walk allen & I get apples. read  
letter to maggie mcmahan: to methodist-church at night - good time

October R. Dondle Leo laundry till Berry &amp; I: at Erwins 3. meals:

- 1: cloudy warm rain mild S. wind: at Jarvis dig 2 holes: post in posts cut off posts  
put on wire: rain: cut post: at Erwins 3. meals:
- 2: cloudy rain forenoon cloudy cool afternoon: at Jarvis fence  $\frac{1}{2}$  day at Erwins 3. meals
- 3: cloudy cool N. w. wind: at Jarvis: work at fence start to repair: at Erwins 3 meals cold tonight
- 4: cloudy misty rain: at Jarvis: at fence repair board fence got letter from maggie  
mcmahan: answered it - tonight: at Erwins 3 meals: paid 1. weeks board  $\$3\frac{15}{20}$ : tonight
- 5: cloudy cool rain at night: at Jarvis: repair board fence: at Erwins 3 meals: at  
prayer meeting tonight - good time rain tonight:
- 6: cloudy misty till noon: cool & fine: at Jarvis: repair board fence near garnet at  
Erwins 3 meals: Share: post stamp: Dick Dondle 15 Oct:
- 7X cloudy misty rain all day: at Jarvis: read to methodist-Church at night: Mr  
Jannison preached good sermon: at Erwins 3. meals: McGildy Tricker tonight
- 8: cloudy cool cold: at Jarvis: repair fence at garnet: at Erwins 3 meals: Cold tonight
- 9: cloudy & cold: at Jarvis: repair fence: at Erwins 3. meals: at Bible class tonight:
- 10: heavy white frost: fine mild & warm: at Jarvis: put in 2 new gates at  
Hagersville & repair some fence: at Erwins 3. meals: Show fair here at Jarvis  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  day
- 11: cloudy & cool N. wind: at Jarvis: repair fence near Hagersville: at Erwins 3 meals very cold
- 12: rain rain to noon. rain till night & all night: at Jarvis Dolle to garnet -  
Igger eat dinner in tool house to hagersville repair fence  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour: to garnet -  
in tool house eat apples till night: at Erwins 3 meals:
- 13: cloudy misty cool day: at Jarvis 1 meal at Erwins: repair fence till train time  
took train to hamilton: got 1 pair shoes: pie: candy: loaf: nuts: then to palgrave on train  
Liz mag & I to Blanchards to practice leave mary & m. H. to go to miss metzingers for chat  
then home in buggy rain tonight road very muddy

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- 14 X<sup>th</sup> cloudy cool clear fine : to home : write in this : wash shave dress <sup>wash</sup> <sup>lions</sup> <sup>then</sup> <sup>them</sup> palgrave to McMahons for tea : to church Frank preached, sing in choir: chat : to  
15 : cold frosty fine cloudy milky rain at night : to palgrave with Sarah & Liz in  
to Jarvis on train unload 2 gates & 6 posts of car : repair fence 1 hour : to Erwins 1. on  
16 : cloudy rain heavy shower fine cool rain in evening & at night fine moonlight : ja  
took 2 gates & 4 posts in zigger put in 2 gates near garnet fir fence near Hagerville at <sup>home to Jarvis 1st 10.00</sup>  
3 meals to Hagerville at night on zigger : Jim Allen: D. Donelle: Jim Burns: Albert Hobbs:  
17. i. cloudy & cool : at Jarvis got paid \$31<sup>25</sup>. settled for Board at Erwins \$4<sup>25</sup> : started on  
on 10<sup>th</sup> train ; got 3 baskets of pears in Hamilton \$1<sup>25</sup> : 1 cap \$1.00 : 1 tie & gloves 70cts : got  
palgrave \$1.20. left peaches & article at Mrs. McMahons: in early chat to Mr. Bracken: walk home;  
18 : fine cool N. wind : to home : thrashing, chores & help at chaff: White machine; sold shoes  
Dick Lyness for \$1<sup>50</sup> got 50cts <sup>To white!</sup>: Jim moved horse power: fine moonlight night;  
19. i. rain cloudy cool : to home read & sleep till noon: then help Jim & S. McBelland /  
put in straw in Barn. clean up floor: to palgrave for basket of peaches & \$1<sup>00</sup> worth of sugar. to McBr  
Dana & O. i. cloudy cool squally snow at night : to home picking potatoes. to palgrave at night <sup>Liz may 8. home 11.00</sup>  
Blanchards to practice good time ward sing & Ada played, roads muddy snow ball Ada & on.  
20. i. cool clear fine cold at night : to home sleep, read, shave & dress to palgrave to <sup>moonlight</sup> <sup>for</sup>  
at night walking sing in choir poor sing Ada played ward sang: to Stokes for chat: walk  
21. i. cool frosty, mild : to R. J. Inverys thrashing in snow: got done at 3 o'clock put in chaff <sup>got oats</sup>  
got home at five pick potatoes on hill: help to cut some feed read Jacob faithful  
22. i. misty cloudy & wind rain at night : to home help Jim put roof on stack.  
pick potatoes finish digging today. help to cut feed at night: dark & rain  
fine clear windy & wind squally rain fine night : at Bingham's thrashing  
cut boards & fork Barley bails in with straw: home help cut feed & feed & ke  
23. i. cloudy misty fine warm S. e. wind : at Bingham's help them to put in their straw: <sup>then home</sup>  
to palgrave George & buggy to Nicols got 2 front shoes removed: to Mrs. McMahons for tea. to  
fine cool S. wind to home fit pin and put prop under stable. to bushes with gun: pick  
apple afternoon & help in with stone to parlour: cut feed Jim & I for cows to field: chores feed & bushes  
cloudy misty & wind: S. W. wind & showery cool night: to home read & sleep: clean  
Barley, put pin & I fit: cut feed, oil buggy dress to palgrave Maggie & I on buggy to <sup>five</sup> <sup>in</sup>  
in Blanchards Ada played ward sing: to Mrs. McMahons chat - got 2 shirts: then home: road  
24. i. cloudy blustery cool : to home read sleep shave wash walk to palgrave to church with  
sing in choir Miss Rayburn sing: to L. chat: walk home, road very muddy, items for chat to 12:  
25. i. fine cool clear blustery at night - N. W. wind : to palgrave Liz & I on wagon with 41: of  
Barley, got 60<sup>00</sup> per bush \$24.60 from Mr. Bracken; paid auction taxes \$9<sup>25</sup> for home & \$1<sup>34</sup> for palgrave house: then  
home & fit around stack: then haul in 41 bags big potatoes & 7 small: cut feed, clean horse

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- 30: fine clear mild: to home: put on kettle of potatoes in old house to boil for horses  
haul in potatoes 82 bags big & 15 small: cut feed. clean horses & bed them: cool night - cloudy
- 31: very windy warm air wind: to home: put on kettle potatoes: fit pens in cellar for potatoes: haul 1. load wood home: and haul in 56 bags big & 14 small potatoes: cut feed. do feed horses & bed them: very warm
- 1: fine mild warm: windy & air wind: to home: put on kettle of potatoes: fit bin: haul home 72 bags big & 21 small: help to clean 10 bushels of fall wheat: cut feed: clean horses: rainy tonight
- 2: fine mild stormy S.W. wind: cloudy & misty: to home fit up pens in cellar & make new pen: pa went to Bolton with 10<sup>b</sup> of wheat for grist & 6 bags of potatoes got 35<sup>c</sup> per bag
- 3: cloudy fine cool air wind: to home: put on kettle of potatoes: clean out stable: haul in 66 bags of big & 20 bags small potatoes: cut feed: wash shane: to palgrave mag & charlie & terry to practice
- 4X: fine mild S. west wind: to Sloans Church in morning with Sarah & maggie working. Mr. Preached home in Bangs with tom Coulter & Rob Campbell. pick beech nuts sing: then to sing in choir ada played organ: old Mr Blanchard preached: windy air wind tonight: wind = palgrave Church at night Maggie & Rob Campbell & tom Coulter joined in old Bangs B. Bingham & Liz  
5: fine mild warm calm: to home: haul in 58 bags & 14 small white Elephants: cut feed do chores, pin at whites thrashing afternoon: rain at night: west wind: warm
- 6: cloudy cool dry air wind: to home: haul in 69 bags small & 17 bags big potatoes Elephants: cut feed clean horses & feed & bed them Jim took Kelly's single horses home fine cool night - cloudy
- 7: fine warm calm N. air: to home haul in 64 bags big & 26 bags small potatoes finished hauling in today 642 bags altogether: cut feed: help fill up 14 bags potatoes: water
- 8: cloudy snow storm e. wind: rain afternoon rain at night: to home chores: help pin to put oats up on scaffold & cut feed. & put pea straw into mow: sleep, read: chores: not night
- 9: cloudy misty misty rain: to home chores: plow in creek field with george & charlie to 4 o'clock then got ready green wagon started to Toronto with S. Kelly & Bill Stephens our wagon: fed at Bolton then to Road very bad Holmes: at 4 o'clock
- 10: cloudy rain to 9 o'clock: started from Holmes corner at 5:30 & got to Toronto to milligan's Remory Hotel at 9 o'clock got breakfast: & started with Steven Kelly to buy & sell potatoes but did not.. pick 30 bags in car & took them to Black Horse Hotel put up for tuesday had tea & went to Hugh Connors 34 Niagara St and stopped all night fine night cool
- 11X: fine mild N. wind: at Connors for Breakfast: to 11:30 then Bill Stephens & Frank Connors & I went down front St to Black horse. fed horses had dinner then went down esplanade to other side of don then up queen St to george down to black horse Bill & I had tea then Logans I went to 2 Cent back to bed at 3.45 (for chat)
- 12: fine clear mild: at 3. Horse had Breakfast then Bill & I went to car and pick potatoes to man Steve sold car load to James Lumber: had dinner at 3. Horse. fill potatoes in car got dinner at 7 o'clock to 3. Horse for tea: to John Connors Steve Bill & I then back to 3. Horse to bed at 11:
- 13: fine clear mild S. wind: at 3. Horse for Breakfast up to market up King to China Hall: then to Yonge got short 2<sup>c</sup> paid: down to front got shovel 75 cts: sold 24 bags & left the rest at Connors started for home: had dinner at peacock: stop at Holmes: at Clairville: at Bolton fed horses. then home at 2:30 in morning

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- 14: fine warm mild: to home: sleep till moon: chores read write sleep. chores: a fine warm cloudy misty cold N. wind: to home chore pile up some stones chores to palgrave.  
night to Station got \$16<sup>25</sup> pay; Liz & Maggie to Clemings: to Tracy with whip: to prayer meeting: to church on George St.  
15: fine warm cloudy misty cold N. wind: to home chore pile up some stones chores to palgrave.  
(bed & bed horses) (8th)  
night to Station got \$16<sup>25</sup> pay; Liz & Maggie to Clemings: to Tracy with whip: to prayer meeting:  
16: fine clear cool frosty: to home move stones with George & Stone boat: haul 11 bags  
potatoes from frame stable to cellar: haul 11 bags in from field: feed horses: cut feed: cleanse  
snow: cold blustery cold clear night: to home. Jim & I finish moving stones: I moved fence,  
Jim took record wood to cook: fill 4 bags potatoes save some wood: grease wagon: haul home 1. ton  
wood split wood: cut Jim's hair: cut feed: share: dress to palgrave Maggie & I to practice: got coal oil.  
17: fine frosty S. E. wind snow at night: to home chores read sleep chores: to palgrave  
Maggie & I walked down at night: Ma sat Coulter: Frank preached: walk home with Bo  
Tom & I: snowing away. Billy & I went into town for lunch: then home. 10 to 11. east knows  
warm  
18 X fine frosty S. E. wind snow at night: to home chores read sleep chores: to palgrave  
Maggie & I walked down at night: Ma sat Coulter: Frank preached: walk home with Bo  
Tom & I: snowing away. Billy & I went into town for lunch: then home. 10 to 11. east knows  
warm  
19: fine mild cloudy: to home: chores. help to clean 43 $\frac{1}{2}$  bushels of barley: cut feed &  
stones into old house: Jim took Barley to palgrave got 60cts per bushel: got 2. doz cabbage from  
Mrs. McNamee = Jefferson: to palgrave at night on George: see about Christmas anniversary: system &  
I & tea  
20: fine mild cold: to home: haul 2 loads of hay over from Barn to Stable: clean 43 $\frac{1}{2}$   
of barley Jim took it to palgrave 60cts per bushel: pale & clean up floor: chores read paper cut feed.  
21: fine frosty cold: to home rigging up stable at east end of Barn lining & stuffing it for ca  
Jim & I: haul 2 barrels of water: to town chat: to Bingham to pay Bob for timber bills \$2<sup>50</sup>:  
22: fine frosty very sharp cold: to home chores clean out stable & feed cattle & horses all day:  
Will look for trowel to plaster stable: home & chores: to palgrave Maggie & I at night to prayer  
meeting with Nelson & Buggy to Mrs. McNamee for chat & wait for moon to rise: home cold &  
dark  
23: fine frosty mild: to home chores: feed cattle & clean out stable: to S. Kelly's afternoons  
help him to kill steer with broken leg: kill hicken Frank Sullivan: sent Hayes home chores  
24: fine mild day: to home chores feed cows & clean out stable help Jim. haul 2 barrels water  
carry sand to make mortar for horse stable: share got ready & went to palgrave Maggie & I &  
Buggy with George put him in Mrs. McNamee's stable: went to fix windows in church but there was  
no glass: paid Gus Sanderson \$13<sup>00</sup> for premium for 1889: to Mrs. McNamee for tea: to practice. talk to just  
fine clear mild: to home all day sleep & read: walk to palgrave at night to church. Listen  
around Martha's room: Mr. Blanchard preached: Maggie & I did not sing in choir. Will & Fred McCall  
windy blustery snow to noon: fine mild: to home chores: help clean 45 $\frac{1}{2}$  bushels of barley: to S. Kelly's  
for 6. bags of ours on George: help Jim to haul 2 barrels water: & 2 loads from Rush & Blood rails  
& clouds  
25 X fine clear mild: to home all day sleep & read: walk to palgrave at night to church. Listen  
tonight  
around Martha's room: Mr. Blanchard preached: Maggie & I did not sing in choir. Will & Fred McCall  
windy blustery snow to noon: fine mild: to home chores: help clean 45 $\frac{1}{2}$  bushels of barley: to S. Kelly's  
& carry water into cellar (to carry water into cellar) (wood) (wood)  
for 6. bags of ours on George: help Jim to haul 2 barrels water: & 2 loads from Rush & Blood rails  
cloudy misty N. air: to home: put rack on sleigh & haul straw stack into Barn, put 2 rails  
in snow: to palgrave at night Nelson & Buggy: see Stokes about litter: to Mrs. McNamee got coal oil 10cts per  
misty misty rain at night: to home: put new handle in axe: hitch up  
Charlie for Liz to go up to Sloans: grind axes: to S. McCallands see him about  
cedar walk through swamp: home write a letter to John McNamee: eat mig  
(pa at youngs thrashing) wait up medicine. Tracing & tools. Some rest soon  
& same at night-

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29: cloudy mild snow squall cool: to home: chores clean out cow stables Jim went to  
nicoli to get horses shod Charlie & Nelson; pa at youngs thrashing: to Ballygray post office to  
John McMahons got papers: chat to Joe Lavery, home & chores. fix old wood box: feed clean & bed

30: cloudy mild warm: to home chores Jim & I went to Bush & started to cut saw logs cut 10:  
& some blocks for wood; Jim went to town after noon: I loaded road with shovels in Bush: then

Dec: 1: fine mild cool: to home chores: clean 4 bags oats & barley for chops: to mill with chaff <sup>3,30 lbs</sup>  
George & Charlie: home chores grease wagon: to bush for load of wood. to salgrave with 1.  
single cord wood to <sup>8750</sup> Nicoli in Blanchards stable to Frank Mr Blanchard. home to mill for  
chops but did not get it: home feed horses: shave & dress: to salgrave Maggie & J Nelson & Buggy  
to Blanchards to practice: to Campbells yard dress: rumpus with old Fleming & Brooks about pack's cap

2 X: fine warm mild: to presbyterian Church Mr and Maggie & I walking: Mr. Mc Mahon preached. home  
chat & sing: to salgrave at night - walking to church Frank preached: our ward: Rob Campbell, Ada  
Blanchard, Maggie & I in choir Brooks & Flemings not there: walk home in tons for chat: got  
Cloudy mild fine snow at night - not much: in S. Mc Gellands swamp with John Faulkner & Jim splitting

lying cedar: 133 rails today for a start. eat dinner in swamp, home for tea: very dark night -  
4: cloudy & squally mild & windy: in S. Mc Gellands swamp with Jim & Tom & pa splitting rails

5: cloudy mild, squally snow & wind: to Bolton Nelson & Buggy to see about old Fleming & Brooks  
dinner at Elliots <sup>paid</sup> 25<sup>00</sup>: got box of Dr. Saged Cattail cure: cigars: Michael taken home to Ballygray with one

6: cloudy cold clear: in S. Mc Gellands swamp with Jim & Tom splitting rails  
had dinner in tons home for tea: I had sore throat and cold: wash & bathe feet & clean out head

7: fine clear mild: to home all day sick with sore throat - all cold & fare: sleep nearly all  
day: Jack Mc Mahon here: & Mr. Blanchard. Old Salmon with summons for me: Maggie went home with Mr. Blanchard  
Cloudy mild night

8: fine mild cloudy: Sarah & I to Bolton Nelson & Buggy had dinner at Elliots <sup>paid</sup> 30<sup>00</sup>:  
got Mr. Wiloughby the Lawyer for \$2<sup>00</sup> to plead case with Fleming: decision not given today  
Then to salgrave Sarah got shoes from Lavery: she stopped to Mrs Coulter: I put Nelson  
in Mrs Mc Mahons Stable & had tea there: then to Blanchards stable to Frank upstairs: then sing  
a little: to Mrs Mc Mahon will Coulter & I for horse then home Maggie Sarah & I in Buggy

9 X: fine mild cloudy: to home all day read sleep: to salgrave Maggie & I at night - to  
Church Nelson & Buggy singing in choir ward not there: Mr. Blanchard preached: Ann home with us

10: fine mild: in S. Mc Gellands swamp split rails 134 with Tom & Jim: home  
for tea got ready went to salgrave with Maggie to practice. George & Buggy good time

11: cloudy clear warm cold at night: in S. Mc Gellands swamp with Tom Split 106  
rails dinner at tons: home for tea chores: pa & me at Drangerville today with chickens

12: fine clear cold North air: in S. Mc Gellands swamp help Tom to split 87 rails burn down stubs cut & cut  
finish splitting our rails today: to salgrave at night - Maggie & I walking to practice: cold clear moonlight  
roads good hard & smooth good whaling: Jim at Kelly's threshing today: got letter from Landeser: receipt

for tea got  
6 gallons oil  
today got 6

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- 13: clear frosty very cold S.W. wind: in S. McClellands swamp with tom making roads to rails  
dinner at tomo home for tea: snow a little tonight-very cold & stormy: feed & bed horses:  
14: cold blustery: clear & calm cold: to home chores pa & I hauled 3 loads of wood home from B.  
with charlie & nelson & wagon: to mums mills afternoon with Sam McClelland to railroad  
meeting old Mungoran Dufferin post-lots of fun: home for tea to palgrave maggie & I to practice  
charlie & old Buggy: in treachys Laverys Mrs McMahon & Mrs Bradleys John Nicols try to sell Beef But  
15: fine mild S. wind: to palgrave with nelson & Buggy: to Nicols to get 2 hind shoes on but did no  
put nelson in treachys shed & fed him oats: to gigger house to see Stokes Doreworth & milton about beef to  
Beathys for chat: to Miss Campbells for Mr Ward: then him & I went to Bolton: see Willoughby: got hair cut  
paid Old Evans \$7.75: got collar: bottle seen: then to palgrave got Liz's new shoes at Laverys: to Sample  
for tea with Mr Ward: then to parsonage to practice: hitch up horse & home all alone: fine moonlight night  
(0) 16 X: cloudy mild S. or. wind & misty rain all day: to home read Sleep Sing: chores: at home all day  
17: cloudy misty N. wind: cold: to home chores: cut ironwood pole to hang Beef on: got ready to kill &  
help tom & Jim to kill white steer: then to palgrave maggie & George & Buggy to practice: to Mrs B. 5.75  
18: cold stormy N. wind: squally all day: very cold & clear: to Baldon East Sarah & J Kellys Democrat and  
79 lbs of geese at 6cts: \$4.74: 32 lbs of Turkey rat 9cts \$2.88: & 1. gobble \$1.57: \$9.19 in all. Paid  
left Kellys wagon at home: then home feed horses get supper: to palgrave maggie & O nelson & Buggy to Laverys  
for my felt boots & wills: to Blandshards to practice Billy Bingham. Fine good time: Billy home in Buggy with us. ce  
19: cold squally snow very cold clear: to home haul 2 barrels of water from pond: to palgrave with la  
Barley 34:32 at 5cts per bushel \$18.72: to Nicols & got 2 new shoes on George front feet: home got  
fill up 29: Barley chores: to palgrave maggie & J. & Billy Bingham in Buggy with George: to practice good time  
20: cold S. wind clear: to palgrave with load Barley 38.40: at 5cts: got paid for yesterdays load & to  
73.24 at 5cts: \$39.69 paid: gave Lavery \$5.00 for Sarah & Lizzies shoes: got 1lb Soda in the  
home & clean barn floor: to Kellys pa & I to weigh Beef hind quarters: gave toms the 84th quarter: han  
load wood home from rush chores: to palgrave maggie & I to Laverys with Martha Robins shoes: got wear  
21: cold squally stormy North blizzard very cold: to Bolton with 17:40: wheat for grist. 5: for  
toms: \$1.00 for salt. & the rest for ourselves: dinner at Ellits: road very rough for wagon: very col  
22: clear frosty S. wind: to home haul 2 barrels of water from pond on stoneboat: haul home  
load wood to palgrave with 1/2 cord wood to J. Nicol miller & I: home put shoeing on stoneboat  
oil Buggy: put in wagon: chores: to palgrave to Laverys for Marthas shoes & 1/2 of salt: to practice maggie &  
23 X: fine mild S. or. wind: to home chores sing: to palgrave at night to church Mr Blandshard  
preached big crowd: sing in choir: Liz mag & I in Buggy am walk: very dark night  
24: clear & warm S. wind: to home Jim & I cut wood for cook: to palgrave: Bill  
Bingham & J. Shingle hall fir w/ tables. Tea at Mrs Coulters: to Mrs one Mations: got \$4.00 from  
Bill Lindsey Stokes rent for December: got bottle of pastilles i/sweet: to parsonage to practice: to cha  
practice on organ: then fix up greens: then maggie & I home in Buggy road very muddy: very cold night  
help maggie to curl her hair

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December

- 25: cloudy mild warm: to home chores practice pieces; to palgrave with Liz & Maggie in Buggy to Oyster supper & tea meeting; put nelson in Laversys stable road very muddy. to hall with Joe Lavery to Station to meet Mr Ward & Nellie with lantern; to Blanshard for books; wait-on-table had some oysters & tea. to church & sing in choir had a good time Stinson & Diddel there. Sarah Dale, Miss Robb; home with lightning in Buggy at 2 o'clock; road muddy, <sup>(dark)</sup> very
- 26: cloudy mild misley warm; to home chores; fix goose pen feed horses; to bush afternoon grind cut saw logs warm & misty; at home tonight play matches w/ A. J.; to stable feed & bed horses;
- 27: cloudy cold w. wind; to home chores haul 2 barrels of water from pond; chores fix barn door; to Balleroy to office get papers & a letter from John McRae: <sup>cold stormy night</sup> <sup>to home chores</sup> 506 nutrients
- 28: cloudy mild w. wind; to home; chores help Jim to cut saw logs peeled logs cut 33 today; do
- 29: cloudy mild S. wind cold; to home haul 2 barrels of water from pond on stoneboat; to bush cut sawlogs stem with us afternoon cut sawlogs; to palgrave at night Maggie & George & Maggie to store with shoes for Ann & get parcel for Ann; to practice then home road very rough; Mealy Faulkner at home.

30X fine clear mild; cloudy squally snow & w. wind; to home; chores pack Liz went to reaney's action & music, Jim & Sarah to Sloans church. Mealy Faulkner came here today; Joe Lavery here; to palgrave to church at night Frank Blanshard preached road muddy very dark night. <sup>to church</sup> Stormy Joe Lavery took Liz & Maggie.

31: cloudy mild; cool; to home forenoon; help Jim haul home 4 loads wood from Bush dam <sup>at palgrave today</sup> <sup>to bush</sup> to bush chat; I went to palgrave afternoon Charlie & Maggie take star hide to H. Beatty 55-<sup>1/2</sup> Bob Bingham & Billy; play Billie Bullion <sup>at office fun & children</sup> home at 2:30 p.m. <sup>1/2</sup> <sup>1/2</sup>

1889 Jan 1: fine clear mild; to home chores; bring home plow from field with Charlie & George; haul 2 barrels of water from pond; feed horses; to palgrave Nelson & Buggy to Laversys with me & Mrs. S. to get halfpinted. <sup>big time</sup> got the toe of Sarah's shoe: to Mrs. McRae's with 1 bag of flour; home chores; to Charles' taffy <sup>12 o'clock</sup> <sup>home</sup> fine mild; to home sleep to near noon; chores; to bush make road to back & logs lighter for lay out road back through bush; home to bed & sleep till 8 o'clock; lunch read & write there

2: clear fine warm; to home; Jim, pa & I skid saw logs 45, with nelson very slippery. to palgrave at night walking to Laversys with matthias Robins shoe; got mother's shoes; chat to Joe then to Mrs. McRae's: for Lizzie will Coulter there; home in Buggy with Liz & Charlie in Buggy; cool.

4: fine clear warm; mild; to home; help Jim grind axe; haul 2 barrels of water from pond chores; grind axe; to bush pack & I make roads through bush; chores read sleep; feed & bed horses.

5: cloudy mild cool & wind & misley rain at night; to Curraus & Bingham looking for windlasses; horses & wagon Bingham using it home & get dinner; to Bingham's for windlasses; to Mr Elwains for load of sandbut; haul 2 barrels water from pond; chores oil Buggy; share to palgrave to Laversys for matthias Robins <sup>10cts</sup> <sup>part night</sup> to Mrs. McRae's for Liz & Maggie; to practice; Harry Billie & Joe Martin there; <sup>had</sup> good time; home

6: X: cloudy misley rain all day snow at night; to home chores read sleep; to palgrave at night nelson & Buggy; Jim, Liz & Maggie & Ann walked; Mr Blanshard preached; Billy Bingham & I walked home snowing all night; clean snow of Buggy in

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- 7: clear cool Pair: to home help tom & jim to kill 2 pigs forenoon; shineman here for sun help jim to haul 2 loads wood home from bush in sleigh george & charlie will with us to palgrave: with pa & jim in sleigh first sleighing of the season today: to <sup>(home in sleigh)</sup> Election in car house note for pc. Campbell: J. Hanna: & f. Brown councillors: chat to will coulter & bob campbell at
- 8: cloudy mild: to home help to cut up 2 pigs & pack the meat in barrel in cool to Ballgarry on george post letter to John Mc Mahon & 1 to J. Gower for Sally, paid 10 cents, haul wood 4 loads home from bush chores: 3 Riddles here tonight Robert: Charlotte & maggie: S. J. & Billy Bingham had lots of fun up to 1 o'clock;
- 9: cloudy misty rain all day: to home chores: saw tug & fit martingale: sleep read: windy
- 10: stormy all night & today blustery most wind mild: to home: chores: help Sarah to wash & single harness: to palgrave maggie & I to practice in cutter; practice new pieces for Crawfords to
- 11: cloudy cool air: wind: to home chores: in bush help jim & tom to cut wood for us to palgrave with 1/2 cord wood to J. Nicol, to laundry for toms <sup>\$1.00</sup> Boots & jims new boots. home chores: to palgrave in cutter Jim Maggie Billy Bingham & I to practice road slippery.
- 12: fine clear mild: to palgrave with 1/2 cord of wood to Nicol. take pail butter to Mc Mahon arm 2 1/2 lbs. haul soap boxes from station for his preparation home for dinner: to palgrave after roads icy: (paid Tom Cobean \$15.00 got note for steer) with 1/2 cord wood to Nicol home for tea - chores. to palgrave at night maggie & I to practice
- 13X calm snow mild fine night cloudy: to home: chores read sleep: to palgrave at night (george & nelson good sleighing) in sleigh Jim Sarah Maggie Liz Ann & willie: Mr. Incar preached: good crowd.
- 14: fine clear warm cold frosty night: to palgrave at 6:00 to nicols to get george & me shed 8 shoes removed home for dinner fix rack on sleigh: to palgrave with 1/2 cord wood to Nicol home for tea. to palgrave maggie & I to practice charlie & cutter: fine moonlight night: of
- 15: fine frosty clear mild calm: to Billy assisted for load lumber to Caledon East with lumber white to barrel spend 15cts at Lockton & 20 at Caledon East: home at 7:30 fine mild night
- 16: cloudy mild: rain all afternoon & evening: to home chores haul 2 barrels water from pond: chores clean out cow stables: rig Box & Seats on sleigh to take choir to crawfords bed - it wasnt <sup>Billy Bingham here!</sup> chores.
- 17: cloudy windy m. wind cold: to home: chores: help Sarah to wash & oil toms hair some & fit up to
- 18: cloudy windy cold: Blustery snow & wind: to home fixing up harness to mose then bush with nelson helps jim & pa to skid 27 logs make 2 sledways & make road: chores
- 19: fine clear cold: to home: help jim to haul 2 barrels water from pond in bush help jim to skid 22 saw logs. chores: Share to palgrave maggie & I to practice in buggy: Liz home with us: road
- 20.X: cloudy: snowing east storm: to home all day chores sleep read: snowing & blowing
- 21: cloudy ~~rainy~~ fine cold: to home chores: plat georges tail. clean 16 bushel of arheat: pa in share: plat Binghams peets tail: harness george: chores: to palgrave Billy Bingham Maggie & I. sleigh to Blanchards to Crawfords with choir, put horses at quarters sing in choir: home palgrave got home at 2<sup>50</sup> cold clear moonlight night frosty:

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- 22: cloudy cold S. wind: to Orangerille with pa; with 16.35 wheat at \$1.00 per bushel  
got 6.10 pees at 60cts: got fiddle string for Jim & 2 for Sam / <sup>15cts</sup> <sup>20cts</sup> <sup>(50cts)</sup> <sup>1 bag</sup> <sup>2 bags</sup> <sup>2 bags</sup>  
<sup>83cts</sup>  
23: cloudy: clear mild than: to home help Jim to haul home tanbark from Bush  
24: clear fine warm: to home haul home tanbark from bush around up  
6th line: to mill for chaff paid: gave Bill Lindsey 1. bag flour for Mrs McMillan's load up  
<sup>81cts</sup> <sup>paid 80cts</sup> <sup>old stone</sup>  
25: fine clear warm: to Bolton horses & sleigh with old stone & old metal to Wm Dick \$3.59  
& 8 bags of potatoes: 5 to R. Evans at 40cts; 2 to T. Elliott at 35cts; and 1. to Sam Shore at 35cts  
26: fine clear mild: to home: help Jim to haul home tanbark from bush. haul  
(Boil on my neck very sore) <sup>very sore</sup> <sup>line with me in cutter</sup>  
2 Bbls water from pond: haul 3 loads wood home from bush: horses! To pealy rare to practice  
wind. Snow all day & all night - N. storm: to home in house all day Boil out back of neck  
28: snowy cold clear: to home: in house all day with Boil on neck very sore: deep snow: cold  
29: clear & frosty: to home: in house all day with Boil on neck very sore: seed: cold clear  
30: fine mild blustery: to palgrave nelson & cutter to ice Stokes...ie snow out  
house to use in McMillan's house in use the 1st <sup>14cts</sup> for former paid up  
some I had 15cts rabbits have: snow: to currants see about Bark to pale snow to  
31: cloudy blustery windy w. wind: to home: help Jim to rig rack on sleigh & put on  
load of tanbark Jim went to Orangerille: in house Boil on neck very sore <sup>very sore</sup>  
Feb  
1: clear cold frosty: to home: help pa & Jim to put on load of bark: ask George White John Young.  
S. Kelly. currants & p. dinner to bark bee for tomorrow: in house: Boil on neck today. sweep off bark  
2: cloudy blustery cold w. wind: to Orangerille with S. Kelly on load of bark: we had Bee  
John Curran: Billy Young: George White: Jim with ours got sausage: home with John Curran: to palgrave  
3 X: fine clear cold very cold: to Cedar Mills Church Billy Bingham & I charlie &  
cutter then back to Binghams for dinner: to palgrave at night Billy & I in cutter very cold  
4: cloudy mild snow & storm: to home help to put on load tanbark last load: to  
Billy Whites saw mill got elm scantling <sup>12 ft long</sup> 4x4: for boulders: Billy left it at gate: in  
S. McClellands swamp: fix road & chat to Tom Sam & Albert: home for dinner: to palgrave  
with Sarah: to Stokes for key of house if it shutters for windows: to Mrs Jacksons for Sarah  
5: cloudy cold North storm snow & blow all day: to home chores: sawing felt boards &  
grease them: rope Sally's trunk: get ready & went to Bolton with Sarah & Jim  
feed horses at Elliotts spent: then home. Sarah did not go to Shantoba: very cold night:  
6: cloudy snow: cold north storm: to S. McClellands swamp with Jim make road to rails  
home for dinner: hitch up & break road in swamp & haul out 125 rails: home & chores. cold  
7: cloudy mild: help Jim to haul rails out of S. McClellands swamp: home  
get ready & go to Mount Pleasant or Ridges Church: with Jim Maggie Lizzie, Sarah  
Sam the Billard Albert Little Nelson & fly our sleigh: good time for Ward & Ada Blundell  
home to palgrave with us lots of fun: fine mild night: roads heavy deep snow  
Big ewe lambbed today, had 3 lambs living: 2 ewe also

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February

- 8: cloudy mild Squally snow; in swamp help Jim to haul out rails to work them in roads afternoon snow very deep in Bush & swamp got ride up road with Bob Young & chores read.
- 9: cloudy mild Calm: in swamp help Jim to haul out rails snow very deep; to palgrave at night with Maggie Nelson & cutter: Our Ward Lizzie Maggie & I home in
- 10 X: clear fine frosty: to home chores sleep read: Mr Ward Jim Lizzie Maggie Sarah & Willie to Keaneys; to palgrave at night: Mother: Sarah: Lizzie: Maggie: Jim: Ann Albert Little: Martha Robin Mr Ward & I all in sleigh: Frank preached: Billy Bingham home with us fine moonlight -  
Blustery snowing <sup>S. wind</sup> <sub>other wind</sub>: help Jim to haul 2 barrels water from pond: in smaller road to rails; haul out rails afternoon: Blustery & cold; home & chores:
- 12: fine clear cold N.E. wind: help Jim to haul out rails finish hauling rails and hauled T. gate posts home: put on Boat went to McElevins for saw dust but got no  
clear & very frosty cold calm: to currans, help Jim on with load of Bark: got ride  
to line with S. Shimman currans Bark tree: home grind knife fit cutting 184 ft put on knife  
at sham chores: to palgrave at night Maggie & George & cutter to Church Frank preached on  
clear cold fine clear: to S. McClellands to buy posts from him: in town some & 2 for a  
home chores to crack with coals, clean out stables feed cattle: to palgrave to church at night, in  
fine clear mild: help Jim to haul out 81 posts out of swamp; haul 2 barrels water from  
to bush for load of wood & Jim went to Rots Hill: help pa to move 8 bags oats & empty same as  
to Bingham to see Billy: home chores: to palgrave to church Sally Maggie & I in cutter: fine snowing  
cloudy misty misley to home help Jim to get wood from bush to go to Bolton  
clean out stable: to Orangeville with Frank Blanchard our George & his cutter: to get Ch  
& deal for present for Mr Ward: got hair cut & shave hay & oats: home chores Aunt Rachel & John  
come here & home sleigh: to palgrave Maggie & I in cutter: to parsonage to practice: presentation  
dining room: Bill Coulter read address & I gave Mr Ward the chain & deal: had a good time:  
to Mrs McMahons for 1.6250<sup>00</sup> tea & 50<sup>00</sup> of sweets: then home Maggie & I came with Billy Bingham =
- 17 X: cloudy mild cool: to home chores: John & I went to town chat then to swamp look at rails &  
through swamp to road meet Albert Little: to town chat then John Albert will & I to our place for  
dinner Lizzie, Ann Margery & Martha Robins: chores chat: to palgrave at night with Sarah Jim Albert  
Liz Maggie will & I: Ann Margery & Martha Robins: took sacrament tonight came home with Bill  
Bingham post letter to John McMahon: in swamp chat to S. McClelland & a. Little, Jim has  
town wool: to shingle factory pay Jim McLaughlin 25cts for chop: to town chat to Joe Harmon  
home with Jim: help Jim haul 2 barrels water from pond: put it in cellar: pay mark S. chores:
- 18: cloudy mild snowing all day like storm: help Jim & Tom to put on load of firewood  
22 haul them home: took 3 bags oats to rabbits to eat crushed & 1 bag of flour to a  
going down in morning: home write to farmers wife I'll be to a. B. with cords to John Mcmahon  
Stormy night wind drifting: to home chores shovel snow let tom steer out to play in  
Bailey's post letter to John McMahon: in swamp chat to S. McClelland & a. Little, Jim has  
town wool: to shingle factory pay Jim McLaughlin 25cts for chop: to town chat to Joe Harmon  
home with Jim: help Jim haul 2 barrels water from pond: put it in cellar: pay mark S. chores:
- 19:

1<sup>st</sup> January

20: cold stormy very cold drifting: to home: chores, help Jim to put wagon Box on Sleigh at Barn  
to go to Galtton East - but did not go, to stormy road drifted chores: take Box of Sleigh cut feed; cut Banks  
in cold night put on one for souffling

21: clear mild; cloudy very stormy at night & N. wind: to home chores mark Banks & chisel them  
out: to palgrave afternoon to J. Nichols to get Banks ironed, got T. L. fixed on Sleigh Bars holes  
put on new ones

22: cold stormy N. wind. to home chores. saw my felt boots: help Jim to haul 2 Bals water from pond  
going to kill old sow but didn't roads drifted: wash my leather boots & grease them then to palgrave  
tom & horses & Sleigh gave Laundry 12 Bals flour: to J. Nichols for Banks: then home very cold stormy  
Ch. wind

23: clear cold N. wind since fall very cold: to home chores sweep barn cut feed: clean up  
16 Bushels wheat for grist: chores exercise George in cutter: home get ready: to palgrave Maggie  
& I in cutter with Nelson to parsonage to practice: very cold night. Liz home with us in cutter cold.

24.X: fine clear mild frosty: to home chores read sleep chores: Tom Fleming here for tea: to  
palgrave in horses & Sleigh with Tom Fleming: Sarah, Liz, Maggie, Ann, Albert Little: to church  
Mr. Richardson preached. Sam McClelland home in Sleigh with us.

25: fine clear sharp air: to home help Jim to haul 3 load of wood from Bush: to palgrave after  
at 25¢ per bag 95-00 noon with 20 bags potatoes to Sloan & McClelland: got 1 Bals fish. Broom: currants: salmon  
gets sugar \$85-00 in all: home & haul 2 Bals water from pond feed horses: chores rope Sarah trunk:

26: fine mild: snowing afternoon: to Bolton with Sarah & Jim on Sleigh to mill with 170  
for grist to station to Toronto with Sarah & Miss Mcrade got trunk checked & got ticket  
signed, to Black Horse Hotel for dinner: up Yonge St. to P. 505, got success & value for pump  
stay at Black Horse till evening to Union Station with Sarah. She started to In Appelle at 11:00  
tonight up on street car with Miss Mcrade to Black Horse to bed at 12 o'clock: snowing today  
25¢

27: snowing mild cloudy: got up at 7:30 pay for bed at Black Horse: ran to Union Station to late  
for train: went back up Colborne St. got breakfast: then up to market: then around town  
got curvy cows 20¢ with Tom Cobean & Joe Legget to Union Station: on train to Bolton: got ride with Jim  
Jones to P. 15 then to Silos roadhouses with Silos: walk up to palgrave to Lecture by Mr  
C. O. Johnston on home life: to parsonage Billy Bingham & I hear Johnston play on guitar  
80¢ then home in cutter with Billy: got home at 2:30 in morning: went to bed mild  
15¢

28: fine mild cloudy: to palgrave with Tom Steer & calf & lamb. to Breenan: then home  
10¢ each put Banks on Sleigh: in bush with Tom cut logs for Jim to haul home: Jim broke  
home & chores Sam McClelland here & Bill Stephens: gave Sam note for \$10.00 for 10.  
months

Note  
May 1st  
2: fine mild warm misty: to home: help Tom to cut logs in bush: Jim hauled home  
15¢ each soft-tallow  
Bush: home cut wood Tom & I & cut feed: feed & clean Charlie: to Blanchard to practice iada played away  
Albert Bible came up tonight

3X: clear fine very hot sun: to home sleep chores dress: to palgrave at night - to church with  
mother: Ann: Willii: Margoy: Albert: Martha: Billy Bingham home in Sleigh with us  
Old Mr. Blanchard preached: Lizzie: Ada: & I in choir Rob Campbell & Will Coulter

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- 4: clear very hot sun mild: help pa & ma to fill load of potatoes 25 bags; help Jim to h 2 bushels water from pond; Jim & pa went to Bolton: Tom & I went to Tottenham; with Tom's clock to got his watch to sell potatoes but couldn't to home roads very soft: chores: to Tom's at night for chat  
5: fine clear mild: to home help Jim to load up 20 bags potatoes; clean out horse stable: fill 14 bags oats & took them to whites to get crushed with charlie's cutter: home then to palgrave with  $\frac{1}{2}$  barrel flour for (paid Jim to Bolton with 20 bags potatoes at 25cts per bag) (to cut for Mrs McMahons) to J. Nichols got brace fixed on cutter: home: dinner saw wood tom & I at house chores helping  
6: clear fine mild: to home: take box of sleigh & put on 15 bushels; help Jim to haul saw logs: then to Billy Whites for 6 bags crushed oats: home chores: Mr Scott here today: roads soft with water:  
7: high strong N.W. wind cold: to home help Jim to load saw logs & make road on Side Hill: to Tom's at night for chat: Charlie had colic tonight - very bad gave him some deer  
8: Squally stormy N.W. wind: to home chores: cut feed for I. to Balleroy on Charlie to office & coaks for chat: home help Jim to load logs: chores: to Tom's at night with willie lanterns  
9: cloudy Squally & noisy: to home: saw wood with Tom at house: in Mrs Hutchins Bush  
10: X help Tom to cut some hemlock bats for road: home & help pa to cut some straw: chores  
11: Squally mild frosty: to home: chores read sleep: to palgrave: in sleigh with pa Jim maggy  
mann: albert little Sam McClelland: Tom Lyons home with us in sleigh: roads not very good (for running)  
12: clear fine mild warm: to palgrave in sleigh with George White to Mrs McPherson  
for dinner: up to house to take shutters off windows: Mike Casserly moved in today  
got \$85<sup>c</sup> from R.J. McClelland Casserly's rent for one month from today: to Barley's for  
chat: to Mrs McMahons. Help Will Lindsey to put barrel of syrup in cellar: got pills: walk to  
13: fine clear warm: to home: chores. write letter to C.R. parish & 68 Toronto: put on  
fire in old house to boil water to kill old sow but did not: to McClellans mill to see  
about measuring logs & get bill not there: home cut feed & chores: Jim to palgrave 18 bags potatoes: 3 bushels  
post letter today to S. Gower Port au Prince  
14: clear fine windy hot sun: to Tom's Jim & I help Tom to move to the Balleroy: home  
help Tom to put up stone & beds upstairs: albert came at night: I walked home 10.30  
15: cloudy cool: to Orangeville fair with Sam McClelland in his sleigh: got big wash  
home no good: got 4 snaps: dinner: cigars: Sam got a pig & 14 bushels oats: Sam Campbell & Nick Tim  
home with us: I got tea then to Billy Whites for hog rye: to home for chat home: fine night  
16: clear fine warm: to home: helps Jim to haul home wood from Bush: fix hurdle  
for rig to catch pigs: Frank & Mrs Blanchard here: to reancy church at night (Frank &  
17: fine clear warm: to home: chores sleep: dress. walk to palgrave to church with Tom  
& Billy Bingham Mr Blanchard preached Ada played no choir road very muddy walk home  
18: clear hot day: to home help Jim saw logs at house: to Andy Mullens sale with B. Bingham  
walk: bought table \$5: walk to Benjollies: got ride home with young in wagon and night

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- 1/9: fine cool cloudy: at S Kelly's help him to cut feed straw; help Jim to fill 6 bags <sup>in morning</sup>  
 2/0: cloudy cool chilly mild: to home: help Jim to take out wagon to go for chop; fix old  
<sup>Dolly</sup> manure fork: help Jim to make a windlass to clean out well: took Dolly cow to <sup>Take care of morn</sup>  
 2/1: cloudy cool mild: to home: finish making windlass: to Billy whites with 2 inch auger  
 2/2: fine clear mild: got S. Kelly's well rope: help Tom & Jim to kill Big sow Albert little here <sup>(hang her up with windlass) to tons</sup> here  
 2/3: fine clear warm: to home: cut up Big sow & pack her in box in cookhouse: fix up windlass  
 2/4: fine clear warm: clean out well, put on new succor & put in pump. Mr. help us afternoon cloudy cabin  
 2/5: clear fine warm: to home fix spout for pump: finish cutting logs at house. Boil kettle  
 potatoes for horses: clean out hen house Jim hauled to top of hill with Charlie on stonebank  
 cut feed: oil old buggy: Share to palgrave to practice maggie & nelson & buggy road very muddy; cold  
 2/6/X: fine mild cloudy cool: to home chore read wash dress. to town with albert Little Lijg maggie  
 there: had tea at town then Tom albert & I went to palgrave church <sup>(our ward played)</sup> Frank preached  
 to parsonage to young mens meeting good time: then walk home fine cool night: frosty  
 2/7: fine cool S.W. wind: to home grind axes to bush eat dry poles: to John Snells sale after noon in town  
 for tea: then walk to Keaneys church took lantern: Mr Scott preached, very cold tonight frosty  
 2/8: cloudy cool S.W. wind: to home saw wood in bush dry poles: to palgrave afternoon with Bob  
 Bingham & Billy to see Exhibition Car from Manitoba: See Sam Copperthorn & Ella marie  
 Taylor getting married in English church: stop to see up train Bill & I, then walk home: had tea at town  
 2/9: fine warm windy W. wind: to home saw wood in chopping with Jim write  
 letter at noon to Sarah: hitch up George in buggy for Lijg mag to go to Keaneys  
 2/10: clear cool W. wind cold: to home, in chopping help Jim to cut up little beech trees  
 more wagon rack into chaff house this morning & cut some feed: to palgrave at night  
 with Bill Bingham to cottage prayer meeting at parsonage walking very cold road very rough  
 2/11: fine cool W. wind cold: to home chore wash kettle of potatoes put on to boil for horses  
 to McElvains with Dolly cow to Bull took him: home feed horses: cut feed fix wheel on cutting box  
 cut more feed: chores: got ready got George & buggy for Lijg & maggie: I walked to Keaneys church Rodwell  
 preached  
 2/12: cold, clear mild: to home chores in Bush fall beech trees & trim them up alone cut  
 chores share to palgrave walking Lijg & mag in buggy to parsonage to practice our ward there <sup>13</sup> Act day  
 2/13/X: cloudy snowy snow at night: to home chore read sleep: to palgrave to church at night  
 April Mr Blanshard preached: to parsonage to band meeting then Bill Bingham & I walk home Lijg & maggy  
 1/1: fine clear very warm melted all the snow again: to home: sew patch on my  
 felt boot to bush help Jim to saw beech trees: to town at night for old axe handle  
 2/1: fine warm mild cloudy: to home: in Bush cut beech trees. cut feed at night. albert & I walk  
 3/1: cloudy snowy all day, mild: to home chore: saw my boats at the sides seen mothers  
 shoes heat patch on one of maggies on heel: to cedar mills at night maggie I to church in cutter  
 4/1: fine clear warm cool: to home rig sleigh pack I haul rails 300: Bailey took lump or tumor out of georg  
 clean horses & feed them to palgrave at night maggie I to prayer meeting in Mrs Campbell's:  
 nelson & buggy road bad cold frosty night clear moonlight;