

# James Cameron (1824–1912)

1899

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{page one} {previously transcribed in Cameron's 1898 diary} James Cameron Island

29th of Dec 1898 our Angus Cameron's Birth Day ice Kind of Took Last night and some near Morning E Wind Boys to the Head of the Island in the morning not very good yet Lots of air-holes Lots Before the Door some Snow Slippery for the Cows on the ice to Drink They went to try the Ice at 1 o clock its not Fit to crofs Cut an ash for Runners for a Little Sleigh Fixing around the Pump

30th Leander and Fernandez crofsed to Summerstown ice not very Good Got the Mail Papers and Gazzette Almanac and Maggazines From Dan, and a Parcel From Helen with a Lot of Presents to all To Leander Gordon Fernandez John H Stanley Ionia {torn away} Peanuts chocelate Sweetys Sissy Purse and Money Handkerchief Rained Water Raising Froze some the Last Day of the Year Cool to day

{torn away} in 1/2 of the Wheat Straw

{torn away}der stopt at Hamiltons to night

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James Cameron Island

1st of January 1899 New Years Day a Fortunate Day Sunday Leander came and Went to church Gordon came Frosty

2nd a Fortunate Day Windy Went Down to the Kit Kit for EEls got 1 Ice cracking Uncle Bill and Johnnie came for the Mare First crofsing with a Horse From the South side sent a Table Linen Cloth to Annie Cold Freezing Shod the Mare heard Duncan Cameron Departed in the Fort

3rd Allen's Birth Day Unfortunate Day 1853 Very Fine Day Leander & Fernandez Went to Lancaster Gave Them a 10 Dollar Checque to get cashed Ed Renshaw hear Sent a Parcel to Adeline Setting Fire to Parts of the Marsh that would Burn cashed the cheque 1 Dollar American 5 Dollars Toronto 4 Dollars Dominion and 15 cents Silver Got Shoes on the Horses and Nails got me a Pair of Felts 1 Dollar got an 8 Dollar Suit {torn away} E Wind Rained some Put {torn away} Fernandez went to Lis{torn away} Hand sleigh together Ra{torn away} Bottle of Mustard {bottom of page torn away}

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James Cameron Island

5th of January 1899 The Wind Rose very High from the West a Good While Before Day Light Windy the air-hole Before the Door opened to the Shore with the Wind

6th Epiphany East Wind snowed some Blowing Put in the Rest of the Wheat Straw in the Barn Leander to Summerstown Bought a Pan of Bread Blowing Drifting hard to night VanderBuilt Married to Day

7th West Wind Blowing hard Drifting air-hole shut up some with the Wind Last night Cool Fernandez crofsed to Summerstown for the Mail Bought a Pan of Bread coming in the Bay Fell or Slipped and Hurted his Shoulder got a Mink in the Trap Took him home

{black mark} Annie's Birth Day Fine Gordon

{black mark} and D Spink here Leander

{black mark} church Meeting to night very

{black mark} night

9th Fine Drew 2 {black mark}od Bushed the Road to

{black mark} Wharf Leander crofsed

{black mark} Eagle Flying around

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James Cameron Island

10th of January 1899 Fine very Frosty This is the Day the Fight comes off Between Kid McCoy and Sharkey cold Frosty to night

11th Sir John A McDonald's Birth Day Fine Day very Frosty Randolph here on Scates Leander crofsed with him to Summerstown Bought of Haggarty Soda Biscuit 25

12th On This Day of the Month Aunty Mary Departed 1891 old Style New Year's Day Leander to Mill with 2 Bags of Wheat 2 sacks of Flour Bran and cornell Stanley went acrofs the ice with him East Wind The New Moon Showed to night only came in yesterday

13th Unfortunate Day E Wind Cold Fine Randolph here Leander went to Summerstown Hailed some Bought Kerosene oil

14th Rained Hail {black mark} Leander to the Kit Kit Hock{black mark} town Unfortunate Day

15th {black mark} on the ice Fortunate Day {black mark} here Bought Pike The {black mark} The Fight with {black mark} {rest of page illegible}

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16th of January 1899 Very Fine Drew 2 Loads of Wood Leander went with Fernandez to Lancaster to see about his Shoulder Fernandez Stopt Down not very well myself Stanley Killed 28 Mice under the Bottom of the Hay Stack Fernandez stopt at A Frasers

17th Fine Leander went for Fernandez to Lancaster the Doctor says his Collar Bone is Broke the Shoe on the cutter Broke I went Through the Island put out 2 Bushes in the Bay

18th Fine Fixing the cutter Leander crofsed to P.O Wrote a Letter to T. Eaton & Co put 2 Dollars {illegible} For Pink Pills and Dodds Kidney Pills Put a Dollar in a Letter {illegible} Glengarrian wrote them to night {illegible} Doing Nothing

20th Fine {illegible} went to Fort Covington to

{illegible}utter Fixed 75 cents lb Tea {illegible} Mail Randolph here

{illegible}Dundee Scating

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## James Cameron Island

21st January 1899 Fine Unfortunate Day St Agnefs Day Got a Mink Doing Nothing Fished a Little got a Pike

22nd Fine W Wind Leander to church Gordon came Mrs and Mifs Lilly Renshaw here Leander took them Home Got Jane Ann's Likenefs From Mrs Renshaw Gordon went off

23rd Fine Thawing Gordon came went to Lancaster Bought Rear Rubbers Leander Bought a Pair of Drawers 50 1 of the Sangsters Died Below Lancaster and McDougall Leander crofsed a foot to Summerstown Gordon took my 2 Letters to Put in the PO 1 Dollar in the Glengarrian and 2 Dollars in the Toronto Letter to T. Eaton & Co Gave him 14 cents to Pay Postage and Registering East Wind to night Bought an axe {illegible} Ionia Bought a Knife From Gordon {illegible}

24th Fine Rained Charles Tupper {illegible} of the Butter-nut Island {illegible}H Fair a Happy Day ca{illegible}

perch Put a handle {illegible}

and Indian went Down {illegible}

and Rofs's Island {illegible}

## James Cameron Island

20th of Feby 1899 This is called the Steel Days or night as its always a cold time up to the 28th In England Fine Day Began to Draw the Basswood Logs 5 Logs 465 Feet 3 Logs 360 Feet Randolph here John H here For the Gentleman Pig Leander Bad with the Grip 825 Feet to Day

21st Very Fine Day W Wind changed to East Took 3 Loads to the Mill to Day 10 Logs 7 Logs in the Forenoon 804 Feet 3 Logs in the afternoon 300 Feet John Morris passed up with sawdust George wants to trade Barley for oats Lots of Indians down for Wood to Rosses Island 1929 Feet sawed to Day

22nd Washington's Birth Day Some Rain east Wind some Fine Wind changed to West Sloppy on the ice Drew up the Boards from the River cut Down the Big Elm not very well very unwell to Day

23rd very unwell to Day in Bed Fine Day 13 Rigs of Indian went Down to Day Boys cutting and clearing on the north side cutting oak in the clearing Froze some Last night crows came to Day got a Letter from the Star Kansas a card from John Cameron

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24th of Feby 1899 Froze last St Matthias Day 1244 Feet Sawed to Day a Lot of Indians went Down to Day Sent for a Bottle of Rum as I am very Bad with the Grip Heard Duncan G was Buried yesterday in Williamstown A very Fine man Thats 3173 to to Day 3173

25th Went with 3 Lods to Day 8 Logs Floring 340 Feet The Basswood how much a Lot of Indians went Down to Day Bill Morris for Sawdust not very Well I Quit Writing am so Bad

26th Livinia Annie and George came Fine cool Mifs Margaret Hamilton Departed this Life

27th Mifs Margaret Buried to Day

28th The Last Day of February

1st of March St Davids Day The Festival of the Welsh Taffy and the Leek came in Like Lamb very Fine Went to Mill on the 27th of February Went with Lumber to Landcaster the Ice getting Bad near Shore at Lancaster

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I Forgot What was we were Doing as I Did no writing for a Month Bad with La-Grippe cold and Rheumatism so a Good many things I Forgot 2 of the cows not very smart some of the cows calved

3rd Fine Filling the Sap Barrels at the River Leander Drawing wood at Renshaws this is not the right Date

14th Stanleys Birth Day 1880 on the 4th is William Henery Shadgate Cameron Uncle John's Son Bill and George came with the Mare on the 14th Fernandez to Lancaster Sent a Letter to Kansas with 25 cents int got a pair of Boots for Ionia 1 Dollar Fernandez went again to Lancaster Bought 8 lb of Pork Licquorice those Dates is not right about 17th of March St

Patrick Day Gordon here Randolph here Drew some sticks a very Fine St Patricks Fernandez to Williamstown on the 15th Mrs Renshaw here her and Lilly on the 16th

18th On this Day of the Vicky Departed 1887

St Joseph's Day Snowing hard

19th Sunday Leander Went to Hamiltons Got the Mail

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I Forgot Lots of things as I Wrote the above on the 21st

A Flock of Wild Geese went East of March

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James Cameron Island

19th of March 1899 Last Day of Winter Snowing and Drifting

20th First Day of Spring Drifting Grinding the Axes Equinoxtial Gales

21st Fine Day Began Putting out Manure Fernandez went to Fort Covington For Ionia's Boots Took Home a Fiddle Leander Crofised to Summerstown to night East Wind Heard Jane Ann Summers Died Rolland McDonald Wife Heard Hugh McPhee's Wife Died in Montreal a Daughter of Mr Currie's up the Front Mr Currie very poorly Mr Ide's Dog made a Havoc amongst John Tyo's Sheep Killing (another Dog with him It Cost them over 100 Dollars Got a Lot of Philadelphia Papers From Dan He must got Back

22nd Livinia's Birth Day (Senior) East Wind Snow and Drifting First churning Yesterday about 4 lb 1/2 Gloomy weather

23rd E Wind Drifting Snowing Raining Foggy Stormy Fixing my Razors

24th W Wind Putting out Manure Leander for Mail got Papers From Dan got a Letter From Daisy Burton with a Photograph of James Burton the Boy and Daisy

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25th of March 1899 Lady Day a Very Fine Day Leander went to Lancaster with Team took one of the Pans to get Fixed Bought shoes Pork Licquorice Good crofsing on the ice so they say Lots of Snow Bought Shingles

26th Fine John H Camerons Birth Day 1876 John Dan Spink Randolph and his Wife hear to Day Palm Sunday Leander went home with them took the Horse and Cutter Freezing at nights

27th Fine Day Putting out manure some on Potato Ground Wrote a Letter to John Cameron Junction City Kansas and 2 Papers a Paper to Mifs Daisy Burton Maxville Got a PoteGrap of 7 of Them an 2 nice Looking Dogs From Bismarck in Alaska Skagnay an all good Looking Boys they are Leander went up with Eddy Renshaw with 2 Bags of Oats

28th Fine Soft put out some Manure Drew some Stones Drew the cow to the Lower Point Some of the Rousseaus came to Fish Perch in the Back Bay got about 20 Leander wih them Unfortunate Day one of the Sheep a Lamb Rained to night Scorched or Singed a Rat then Let him Go to Frighten the Rest

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29th of March 1899 Unfortunate Day West Wind Snowing Blowing Drifting high Wind Freezing Cattle not Watered to Day

30th Fine Drifting Windy Wrote a Letter to Eaton Toronto put 1.25 for 3 Boxes of Williams Pink Pills and a 10 cent Pills of Blaud's 50 in a Box The Whie Yearling Calf Dead one of the other Big ones hurted him going to water Leander crofsed to he Post Office Took the Letter

31st Good Friday a very Fine Day the 2 Boys went to Fort Covington to Mill with Wheat Sent 2 Skins 7 cents a lb 57 lb The other 15 lb Gordon here Went to Lancaster For his saw Bought a Jar Bought Licquorice Handles for a crofscut saw Leander came

1st of April all Fools Day A Fine Day Leander and Gordon went to Alexandria The First time Leander was there Bought Window Frames and Doors Got the Horse shod 1 Shoe at and the

Harrows Fixed at Dewars J Hhing Randolph was with them X Cost 2.50 Bag of Salt) A Letter From Minnie on the 5th of April 7th

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2nd of April 1899 Easter Sunday they said the Sun Danced this Morning a Fine Day Randolph came Leander and Livinia and Ionia Went to Renshaws Gordon and Randolph crofsted to church Lots of Eggs

3rd Fine Day Tapt a good many to Day Running Gathered a Barrel or so cut the old Marsh hay stack in Two

4th Took some Barrels to the Bush Leander to the P. Office sent 2 Letters for Medicine one to New York and 1 to Binhamton to Be Given Free Fernandez and Livinia went acrofs to Dan Frasers Boys in the Sugar Bush all Day Fixing place for the Pans I went over to the Pitt Point and up Through the sugar Bush and up the swamp Took home the crofscut saw it was in the swamp Sissy came had a Basket of Apples From Dan Frasers Sold 1 pair of Ducks Brought a Rooster for the 1 we got in the Fall Leander crofsted got the Pink Pills and 2 Boxes of Blands or Blands Brough some sweet stuff from the Bush

5th Fine Fine Day Boiling in the Bush went to the Lower Point Fernandez went to Cornwall a calf and a Lamb Black Ducks came and Whistlers Black Birds

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6th of April 1899 very Fine Day Went up to the Sugar Bush Fernandez came from Cornwall John H was up too gathered about 65 pails Boiled it in Syrup what they had before Lambs Dying with the Sheep not Letting them suck air-hole full of Ducks Frog-hawk came Robins

7th Fine Day Froze Last night Swallows came Shot 8 Ducks in the air-hole Wild Geese going Down not running well took Down 5 cans to Day Began to Rain to night wind hard and snowing some to night Sissy crofsted to Summerstown had 7 Dozen of Eggs 70 cents Sugar 10 cents a Lot of Shooting Down South East

8th Rain Foggy smoky Doing nothing

\*\*9th On This Day of the Month I was Married Low Sunday Rain Snow Sap not Running ice opened in Holes here and there

10th Fine cool Leander crofsted to Hamiltons got a Letter From John Cameron Junction City Kansas with his Pothagraph sealed in the Letter Fernandez in the Bush along

\*11th on the Day of the Month Uncle John Departed 1893 \* Married 1862 \* 9th

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James Cameron Island

11th of April 1899 a very Fine Day East Wind Froze Hard last night Leander Puttying his Boat Fernandez and Stanley in the Sugar-Bush Lots of Shooting Ducks plenty Some one Down at Kit Kit air-hole Shooting all Day Running well Took up 2 more Barrels to the Bush Straining to Day Boiled a Little after Dark ice opening Slowly Lots of Wild Geese Flying to Day made Taffy Ionia to Day 7 Gallons made to Day

12th Froze Last night Rained Foggy Boiling in the Bush Began to shoot on the Sturgeon Island Randolph came Muskrats coming near shore put out Gordons Boat Thunder to Day Lightning to night Loons came ice Jamming

13th very Fine not running well Randolph and Leander after Ducks Randolph went off had 8 or 9 pairs of Ducks Shot a Rat

14th Fine not Running after Ducks Big Jams of ice Going Down Drops of Rain

15th Fine Boiling in pan I went up to the Bush ice clearing good Leander crofsted for Mail A Fortunate Dat Found a Tick on EEI Island

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16th of April 1899 Fine E Wind Randolph and Adelaide here Eddy all went to Sugar Bush made Taffy Made 25 lb of Sugar Gordon and Dan Spink here for Gordons Boat some Drops of Rain

17th very Fine cutting stove Wood crofsed with Eddy a calf to Day a Lot of ice Going Down the Colt has the Distemper

18th Uncle Duncans B Day Fine Gathered 9 pails Sawing Stove Wood 2 of Renshaws here Brought home the umbrella a Good Lot of Shooting to Day on the South side Killed a snake yesterday Bad with my shoulders water Falling I went to the Lower Point Leander to P Office Bought a can of Mustard

19th Fine EW Boiled Down what Sap there was 4 Gallons a Lot of Shooting to Day Peter Back here Fishing EEls got some nails to Fix his sail Frogs making Music KingFisher came Lots of Dead Perch in Back Bay

20th E Wind and West cutting Stove Wood EEI Fishers Leander to Lancaster

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Took home Sugar Bush Rigging on the 24th April

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21st of April 1899 Fine cutting Stove Set Traps Took Traps acrofs not running very Fires in Marsh one of the cows calved

22nd Fine Day Gordon came Grinding the Tools Hewed an ash Stick Leander and Gordon crofsed to Summerstown cutting stove Wood Sport Stole 2 Rats

23rd St George's Day the Festival of the English a very Fine Day Carlo here a year ago to Day Eddy Renshaw here

24 very Fine Princefs Louise First Trip to Cornwall Gordon Hewing the Elm peices up at the camp The Chaffy into Lancaster to night

25th St Marks Day a very Fine Day East and West Wind in the Evening Thunde and Lightning Some Drops of Rain Lewis and 2 of his Children here Got Milk Gordon crofsed Hewed the oaks ploughing the Potato Ground a Steam Barge went Down this Morning Drew some Stones to the Bank

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26th of April 1899 A very Fine Day Finished Ploughing Potato Ground West of the House Drew some Wood that was at the River Livinia and Sissy went to Renshaws 10 Doz of Eggs to Douquetts Stanley spreading Manure in the upper Field Mifs Renshaw Down with Sissy Ionia and her took a Boat Ride Fernandez went to Lancaster tis Licquorice Beacon Practice Book

27th Fine E Wind at Stones Leander crofsed Mr Genie came to night

28th Mrs Cameron Mifs Renshaw Mr Amiot and Wife here Ionia went up with the 2 of them 2 Tows went Down Ploughing Harrowing taken of Stones Genie went off Gave him a Loon

29th very Fine Sowed 5 Bushels of Wheat Garnet went Down First Trip Steam Barge went Down Tugs Fernandez went to Lancaster Bought Tin Strainer 75 cents Bought moth-Balls went to Fish Lots of ice going Down

30th Fine Leander went to Renshaw For Ionia

1st of May Rocket went Down 9 Steamers went to Day Planted Potatoes Rain E Wind Fernandez went to Dundee 6 hides Wild Geese

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2nd of May 1899 Fine Ploughing Back of the Barn EW Taking of Stones of the Wheat Finished up to the apple Tree with Potatoes Alexandra went Down Late to night Leander to Summerstown

3rd E Wind Cool Rocket First Trip up got a paper From Church Kidney Cure Sawing Stove Wood Fernandez went to Cornwall

4th very Fine Frost Last night Harrowing gathering picking up Stones Sowed 1 1/4 of Wheat about 6 Bushels of Wheat now Went to the Kit Kit Ionia and I Leander to Summerstown Sissy to Jo Douquetts with 20 Doz of Eggs

5th Very Fine Sowed 3 1/2 Bushels of Georges oats Roling the Wheat Picking Stones Planted Onions at the Oak-Tree Set a Hen to Hatch one on Ducks

6th Fine Sowed 10 of oats in all Leander crofsed to Summerstown Fernandez to Lancaster Bought a Horn 15 cents Harrowing the oats Salted the cattle went around the Island Lots of Towing to Day

7th Fine Livinia and Sissy went to Hamiltons Gordon came

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8 of May 1899 Ploughing Potato Ground East Ed Renshaws For Oats 4 Salt Sacks went to Fish night Taken off Stones Harrowing Fine East wind Planted the Corn

9th Planted 33 Rows of Potatoes East of the Pig Pen cutting seeds Amiot here got 1/2 Bushel of Pease 30 cents Trimmed the apple trees not very well

10th a very warm Fine Day Planting Potatoes 12 Bushel of Eyes all in that Peice cutting Potato seed Stanley Planted all the Peice Leander crofsed to night Fernandez crofsed in his own Boat Setting Fires The Hamilton went Down a Raft went Down Working at Leech for Soap a Garden West of the Pig Pen For Melons

11th Windy Raining Ploughing Asension Day Tug coming up Let go her Tow and they Drifted to Rofs's Island John H came with the Gentleman Pig

12th Fine Lewis's Cornelius here Heard of Cassie Henons Death on the 9th or 10th Ploughin and Taken up stones Jubilee Taken off 3 Schooners From Rofs's Island

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13th of May 1899 Raining Filgate went up Fernandez went to Fort Covington Ploughing taken off stones put Mustard Plaster on Took 1 lb of Tea

14th Fine Sacrament at Salem Church Summerstown Leander went Windy

15th Fine Fernandez went to Careys to cut Wood Ploughing and Taken off Stones Mr Peter Urquet here for Butter 10 cent Went up to the Upper Point Killed 2 Rusters

16th Fine Cool Ploughing and Harrowing Back of the Barn Taking the Wire of the Fence Fernandez came with the Trunk of Steel Ful of articles Dan Sent Paid Haggarty 15 cents

17th Fine Sowed 17 Bushel of oats Taken off Stones Lent Cornelius the Harrows Jubilee went Down to Day Wrote a Letter to Dan MM

18 Rained some Leander Took 16 Bushels of Oats at 30 cents 4.80 putting Manure on the Back Place

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19th of May 1899 Ploughing at Back Door of the Barn Ploughed some West of the Wire Fence Fixing the Wire Fence Making Garden Back of the Lane Fence St Dustan Day

20th Fine Putting Manure on the Back Peice Taking away the Banking at the End and North George Annan here for Oats at 30 cents Fernandez went to Fort Covington Got his Parcel of things he sent for Sissy to Jo Douquet 17 lb of Butter at 17 cents 2.89 Eggs 10 Doz 1 Dollar Southern Red Pine 35 cents Paper of Pins 5 cents

21st Whit Sunday Ed Renshaw with the Bags Fine Leander to church

22nd Fine putting out Manure on the swamp Trowling Got a Pike Leander crofsed

23rd 3 of Them to Dundee Sissy Ionia Stanley 2 calfskins 20 Doz of Eggs went for the Harrows Last night Harrowed Potatoes sowed oats and Barley Fernandez Fixing his Boats

(Sheared the Sheep on 26th )

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James Cameron Island

24th of May 1899 Queen's Birth Day Fine W Wind 2 of the Boys Leander Fernandez went to Cornwall John H There too Stanley Putting out manure a very Fine Day

25th Fine Ploughing Back Peice Taking out Stumps set Fire to Brush Ed Renshaw here took a Tar Barrel here for Fishing Fernandez painting his Boat

26th Ember Day Fine Ploughing in the Back Peice

27th Ploughed some commenced to Rain Ember Day 3 of Renshaws here yesterday gave the Girls 2 Books

28th Trinity Sunday Fine Leander to church Stanley and Fernandez to Charlies Island Gordon came

29th Royal Oak Day or Oak-Apple Day Rained Heavy Thunder and Lightning and 2 Heavy showers of Hail wind East and West Began to cut some of the Stove Wood Fernandez crofsted for the Mail Windy Carlo to Lower Point

30th Fine Windy Sawing and chopping and Splitting Stove Wood Bad with Pains to Day cool

31st Last Day of May very Fine Sawing Stove Wood splitting Drew the Logs out of the Grove Lots of Boats Going to Day Harroed the East Potatoes

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James Cameron Island

1st of June 1899 The Glorious First of June Corpus Christie Vickey's Birth Day 1878  
Unfortunate Day Fine Warm Windy Sawing Stove Wood and Splitting Planted a Tame Grape Vine

2nd Fine Ploughing and taking out Roots put the Plough through part of the Corn Young Ducks Leander to Dundee for Wire for Fence 125 lb 3 Dollars a Cwt

3rd Fine East and West Wind Working at the Wire Fence next the Bush and at the Wet Place Fixed the Gentleman Pig Sissy and Stanley to Dundee for Ionia Lots of Boats Going to Day Salted the cattle Annie and James George Robert came Rained to night

4 Fine Rained Leander to church Day and night John H and Dan Spink here Fernandez Fishing Last night got 12 Caspian went Down Rained to night Old George the 3rds Birth Day used to be Kept up for a Long Time

5th Fine Working at the wire Fence West Wind Fernandez and Leander to Summerstown with 2 Boats For oil

6th On This Day of the Month Sir John McDonald Departed Harrowing the Barley Peice Sowed 4 Bushels of Barley Windy Fernandez to Lancaster 1 of the cows calved Fernandez to Lancaster

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7th of June 1899 East Wind put the Plough throug the rest of the corn Rained making Ribs for Leander Boat Fernandez came Heard David Fraser was very Poorly Bought Ink Mucilage Medicen not very well Leander crofsed For nails for the Ribs of the Boat very heavy Rain Thunder and Lightning Bought Tea

8th Windy Making Ribs Piling some Stove Wood Washing the Wool

9th Aunty Marys Birth Day 1813 This is the Day for the Bob Fitsimmons Fight Fine W Wind Fixing the Boats with Ribs Leander crofsed for Wrought Tax for the Ribs Hoed some Rows of corn piling stove Wood Lots of Boats going to Day

10th Fine W Wind Fixing and Painting the Boat Fixing Fence Hoeing corn put the Wool in Bags 40 lbs Leander crofsed Heard Randolphs wife was not well

11th St Barnabas Day Fine Day Ed Renshaw and Montor here Sissy went to see Randolph wife Leander to church

12th Fine a Lot of Trowlers 4 Boats of them on the North side Mr Mr Mulhern and his Uncle from Ohio Mr Ed Douquet Louis Bosell and they Treated me to a Drop of Good Stuff Put the Plough in Potatoes Painting Boat

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13th of June 1899 Fine W Wind Commenced Ploughing the Cellar on the Pitt Point North side Fernandez crofsed to night To Dan Frashers for the scraper

14th Fine Few Drops of Rain Working with the Scraper and ploughing the Ground Ed Renshaw came Got Eggs Sissy went up in their Boat and Annie and Baby to see Randolphs wife Sold 8 Doz of Eggs Fixed 2 Handles of Oak on the Scraper Bought Sugar Nutmegs Eclectrick oil 25 Rained to night

15th Raining Games in Martintown to Day some Fine a Man called for a Drink his name is Smith From Toronto camping at Hamiltons Quit working at the cellar with the Rain Leander to Summerstown One of the Cows calved Let out the Bull

16th the commencing of the Battle of Waterloo Rained some Working at the cellar Nor West Wind Unfortunate Day

17th Put the Plough through the Potatoes Gordon here Went to Lancaster a Parcel came a Plaid of New Zeland Wool and a Letter

18 The Battle of Waterloo Fire Flies here

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James Cameron Island

18th of June 1899 Fine Windy Leander to church Tom Monter Ed Renshaw here Ma and Ionia to Hamiltons

19th George Min and Herbert came for Annie and Baby Randolph here for Fernandez Lewis here for Salt Hoeing Stanley Fixing Fence I went to Head of the Island very very warm Mr Atwater caught a Large Lunge to Day Leander to Jo Douquetts with 20 Doz of Eggs \*

20th Summer commences Leander to Mill Stanley at Fence Rain High wind Thunder and Lightning Hail Found a Boiler of some Machinery or another yesterday hauled it up to Day a Pontoon Heavy Big Hailstones Windy Election in St Regis

21st Fine Windy North Wind cool Working at the Digging of the cellar Leander crofsed

22nd Uncle Dan Cameron's Birth Day Fine Day Digging at the Cellar

23rd Fine Ploughed the Potatoes South of the corn Hoed them

24th St John the Babtiste Day Fine Warm Working at the cellar put out stove in the cook-house Leander crofsed Deer Flies here

- 20<sup>th</sup> Summer Began

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25th of June 1899 very Fine Sacrament at Salem Church in Summerstown Leander to church

26th Fine Leander went to Cornwall with the wool 34 lbs Took home white and grey yarn 20 cents a lb for wool Bought 3 yards of Cloths for Pants 75 a yard Went to Lancaster got a Large Picture for the Trading Bought Tea Stanley at Fence I and Ionia Fishing Perch got 24 very warm Rained to night Lightning The Drudge not Working Broke

27th Fine Stanley putting a Fence out in the Water at the Pitt Point Leander Fixing the Waggon very Warm Leander crofsed

28th Rained to Day Fixing in the Grainery put the Wheat in Bags East wind Took the Boards from up stairs put them in the Grainery

29th Fine North Wind the Drudge commenced Working Livinia and Stanley went to Dundee Took a Tub of Butter my Shoe to Fix Leander Ploughing the Potatoes St Peter and St Paul Bought 1 Doz of Cups 75 and saucers 75 cents Shoe 20 Butter 16 cents 4.80 6 Tubs 1.08 5 Gal oil 50 Shirting 7 yds 56 Paris Green 20 Blacksmith not Paid

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30th of June 1899 Fine Hoeing Potatoes Fishing got 27 Lewis here Fixing the Waggon Last Day June

1st of July Dominion Day Windy Fine Finished the Hoeing of Potatoes Leander crofsed The Filgate Down with a Party to Valleyfield A Rat Stole 18 of Perch

2nd Fine Windy Fernandez came From Douquetts Leander to church

3rd Fine Began Drawing sand about 75 Bushels to Day Lewis here for to Shave to Jo Douqueets with 11 Doz of Eggs Tub of Butter Ionia and I Fishing Rained to night English Cherries Getting Ripe Ell Flies plenty

4th American Independence Rained Fine Thunder and Lightning and Rain and Hail to night  
Drew some sand Leander for Paris Green to Sumerstown 25 cents

5th Uncle John's Birth Day 1803 Fine Thunder put Paris Green on the East Potatoes 1 Box  
Stanley went for another Box 25 Bought a hat 10 2 Pipes 1/2 lb of Salts Gave him 10 cents  
Took up 1/2 Doz of New Potatoes good Size 2 year old Heifer calved Leander Took over a  
Bag of oats Heavy Thunder Rained hard Lightning

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6 of July 1899 Raining Began to Draw Stones for the cellar took Salts Foggy this Morning

7th Fine put the Clabboards up Stairs Fixing 1 Horse Mowing Machine Killed the calf gave it  
to Carlo A Social at Duncan G Place Leander crofsted 3 Girls From Dundee here Fishing Fine  
night Rained Thunder near morning caught about 40 Perch Ionia and I Rasberries Ripe  
Salted the cattle

8th Rain Fine Sought East Wind Eat Potatoes yesterday Putting Paris Green on Potatoes  
yesterday Fernandez came From Douquetts Went to Lancaster Bought Boots 2 Jacknives  
coat

9th Windy Rained

10 Unfortunate Day Began Mowing the Grove Began Mowing the upper Field Fernandez  
Fishing Went off took his Fish with him Mowing with the 1 Horse Machine Fine some Windy

11th Fine West Wind Mowing in the West Field I went to the upper Point Lots of Boats Going  
West Wind Made 30 coils Heavy Thunder and Rain Heavy Sharp Lightning 5 Boys on the Pitt  
Point Treated me to a Drop of Good Stuff Leander to Douqueets with Tub of Butter

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12th of July 1899 Windy very Fine Day after Last nights Storm Raking and Gathering in the  
Upper Field Orangeman's Day The Spartan Got Aground Down on the Rushbed a Grand  
Orange Procefsion in Cornwall about 15,000 People

13th very Fine put in 6 Loads of Hay Eddy Renshaw and 2 Sisters and Minnie here Took Milk to the Spartan and Sallad here Minnie took Lemons and Salmon Rained some to night

14th Fine Raking and Making coils Gordon here had Potatoes yesterday Rained some Passed to the South Heavy Thunder and Lightning to the South

15th St Swithen's Day if it Rains to Day it will Rain for 40 Days very Fine put in 3 Loads one of them a Small Load from the Grove put up the cook stove outside at the oaktree Heard Peter Arquit was Drowned Leander and Fernandez went to Lancaster

16th Fine a Little Rain Lilly and Eddy Down for Livinia to go to Randolph's John H here had his Bicle with hi Dan Spink here Leander to church

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James Cameron Island

17th of July 1899 Fine Leander went to Mill with Wheat Bought a Sythe and Stone Mowing in the West Field Mr Earle and Mr Lashome Tenting at the West End North side of the Island a Very Large Steam Vessel Towed Down to Day Ionia and I Fishing got 42 Fish Mr Lashome here for a Lantern as they Forgot theirs Leander to Jo Douquetts with a Tub of Butter

18th Fine Mowing the Lower Point Hay Lashomb and Earle here Got Flour and Milk and Bates Gave 25 cents Gathering hay in the West Field Rained hard to night Windy

19th Fernandez Birth Day Fine Windy Leander crofsed for Paris Green 3 Boxes putting on the Potatoes Mowing some 3 Boys for Eggs 3 Doz 30 cents those Men Away and Took our Lantern Dug some Potatoes Plenty Potato Bugs Those 3 Boys names are Leslie Miller and Markson

20th Fine Fishing got over 50 Lewis here very Heavy Thunder and Sharp Lightning Rained to night

21st Fine Dull and wet a Boy for 4 lb of Butter 72 Leander crofsed

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James Cameron Island

22nd of July 1899 Fine East Wind Dull St Magdalene Day Killed a Mutton Fernandez came had a Bicycle's Cutting the stoney peice of hay Behind the old Garden

23rd Fine Day Leander and Minnie to church The Rev Mr Mathieson to the Fort Exchanged ) Ed Renshaw and T Monter here Fernandez went to Jacks

24th Fine E Wind Made a Stack of Fine Hay from the Lower Point Leander went to Lancaster Bought a pair of Lace Boots 90 a pair of shoes Sox 5 Braces got another Picture very Bad with Rhemutism this Morning Mr Miller here for Eggs got 8 Dozen 80 of Eggs)

25th very warm to Day Rained hard to night Cutting at the Butternut Tree Below the Potatoes Leander to Doqutts with a Tub of Butter Bought Sugar for Berries the Girls went Francis Island for Berries the 2 Girls came Down had the Mail Adelaide and Lilly Randolph for an oar Wrote a Letter to John Cameron Junction City Kansas Sent 3 Papers Got a Paper from him St James Day Cherries getting Ripe

26th St Anne's Day very warm Livinia came home Eddy and his sister took her home had Broken Preserve Dish Ed Douquett and a Party on the Pitt Point have a Good Time Fishing Sent for Eggs and Pepper Salt cut the Back Garden Eddy got a Bushel of oats

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James Cameron Island

26th of July 1899 Continued from Last Page Peter Back here Butter 18 cents Rained hard to night

27th Fine E Wind Mowing upper Part of the West Field coiled some Hay Went up in the Bush

28th Fine putting in Hay 3 Men here for 3 lb of Butter one of them asked what Price I would sell at I Told him 36000 Dollars he said he would see me again Leander for Mail Ionia and I Fishing Got 51 Perch W Wind

29th Fine very very warm Mowing up at the Hicory Trees it is very Thick the Hay I went up to the Head of the Island had the sythe with me Leander went to Lancaster For his and Gordons Shirts and Pants and vest Fernandez came from Jacks

30th Leander to night church Windy Ed Renshaw here

31st Last Day of July very Fine Mowing up in the Marsh Ed Renshaw here for the Mare and Mowing Machine Stanley went up with him Stopt all night cleaning some in the Barn West Mow

1st of August Lammas Day Fine Warm Stanley came Leander crofsed with Gordons Laundry Fernandez came From Jacks Mowing the Marsh up above the Hicorys

2nd Minnies B Day her and Sissy crofsed to Adelaid's Making a Stack of Marsh hay E Wind Fine Thunder cloudy Sent a Letter to Mr Oglevy 12 Doz 1.40 Bought Lamp Chimney sugar Rained did not Finish the Stack Rained to night

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James Cameron Island

3rd of August 1899 Foggy very Fine day Fixing the Bow of my Boat cleaning out the Barn Fernandez crofsed very warm Chaffy went up Last night for a Raft of Saw-Logs got a Letter From John Cameron Kansas also a Photograph of his Grand-child Mary-Lillian Taken when she was 10 Weeks old The Beauhornias canal is Broken

4th very Fine hot Finished Topping of the Stack of Marsh Hay Stanley Went to Renshaws to help Ed at the hay Found 3 peices of Logs Pinned together going Down Tried the East Potatoes Grain Turning some cucumbers plenty chokecherries Ripe Beans plenty Turnips good and so on The Ville a Maria is all the Talk now

5th Fine very warm W Wind Began cutting the Wheat Leander and Fernandez Let the Calf out Down the Lane Flies plenty Mosquitoes too Blackbirds taken a Mortgage of the Grain Rats Plenty no Mice Cut the oats that was Ripe Mixed with Barley the East Piece of Wheat is not Quite Ripe 2 Men here Urquart and Knolton for Butter and Eggs 2 1/2 of Butter 45 3 Dozen of Eggs 36 Leander and Fernadez crofsed got the Mr Ogilvies Catalogue and Cameron Tartan

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James Cameron Island

6th of Augt 1899 Fine Day Eddy and Stanley came Leander to church Randolph's Birth Day Fernandez crofsed him and Eddy went to Jacks came Back Steamer Chaffy to St Regis

7th Fine W Wind Cool Fernandez went to Cornwall Began putting in the Wheat Took the Power out of the Barn Put in 9 Loads to Day Fernandez came From Cornwall cut some oats Lewis the Indian here

8th Fine Windy cut the other peice of Wheat cutting oats put in 3 Loads of Wheat The 2 Mr Gardiner's Fishing stopt at the Shore to cook their Dinner Bought Butter and so 25 cents Ionia Fishing Perch got 26 Fog Windy Ed Douquett on the Pitt Point Doz of Eggs 1/2 lb of Butter a Jolly Time they Have Fernandez crofsted to Jacks and came Back not Ready yet Leander crofsted to Summerstown

9th Fine Day Gathering and coiling the oats Ed Renshaw here for Stanley to go up with him Ionia and I Fishing got 23 perch Helping Ed to put in his Hay Stanley is The Social at the Manse to night a Big Party there

10th Rained this Morning SE Wind Mr Webster and Daughter and an Nova-Scotia Lady with them Bought 2 lb of Butter 36 4 Doz of Eggs 48 a Fine old Scotchman From Quebec David Fraser Departed on the 9th 1899

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James Cameron Island

11th of August 1899 Cloudy and Fine put in 2 Loads of Wheat thats 14 Loads of Wheat there is a Little out dont count that Drew some coils of hay to put in the Bottom of the oat-stack Fernandez went to Cornwall for his Bycle Ionia and I Fishing got 26 Gathered oats Got Papers from Dan Mr David Fraser Departed on the 9th of August in Montreal a very Fine young Man Respected By the Whole community and in all parts of country

12th a very very hot sun this Day cloudy in the Morning E Wind changed to West then to East Thunder Began a Stack of Oats Mr David Fraser Buried to Day Fernandez went to his Funeral Ionia and I Fishing got 35 Buried in Williamstown a very Large Funeral Finished the Stack of Oats

13th Fine Windy Leander to church Fernandez went to Jacks Eat the First corn to Day Cool to night

14th Fine very warm Cornelius here for the 2 inch Augur and chain Raking some oats and Wheat cut a Little in the Front Marsh Leander crofsted got 3 Kansas papers 2 Glengarrians

and Standard preaching in the consepion to night cutting some in the Front marsh all the Wheat in Blackbirds at the corn Bought pan of Bread 1 Tea

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James Cameron Island

15th of August 1899 Fine E Wind very Warm sun hot Mowing in the Front Marsh cut the Barley at the Barn Made some coils in the Marsh Young chicks out Ed Renshaw here Assumption of the Virgin Mary Leander and Eddy went to Dundee Bought a Sythe and Whitstone came Back to night

16th Fine Day very warm very Smoky must Be a Fire somewhere cutting in the Front Marsh the Blackbirds Mauling the corn went up to the Bay Leander crofsed Took to Jo Douquetts 1 Tub of Butter Eggs 13 Doz 1..56 Fine

17th a very Fine Day Mr Webster and Daughter here a Fine old Scotchman Bought 5 Doz of Eggs 60 cream 13 Made a Stack of Marsh hay Leander crofsed got got English papers from Dan a Dance at Hopkins Point to night

18th a very Fine Warm Day very hot cutting the oats Back of the Barn Made coils of the Barley about 8 coils Minnie Adelaide Lilly here a Great many Boats Going to Day Leander crofsed

19th Bismarck's Birth Day 1870 Fine verry very warm Making coils of the oats went up around the Island 31 of the Laplants pic Nic on the Head of the Island Stanley Eddy and Leander went to Lancaster Fernandez came Smoky

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James Cameron Island

20th of August 1899 very Fine Sissy and Leander crofsed to church Eddy Renshaw to Lancaster Last night Bought Sugar Tea crackers Eddy Bought Fork 2 of Them Shoes a Bottle of Stuff for a Drink Stanley and Leander went with him Fernandez crofsed to Jacks

21st very warm Made a Stack of the Oats Back of the Barn Made Stack East of the other Groweds made 10 coils of oats in the Flat Thunder Rain Lightning this Evening

22nd Rain Windy Eddy here with his scythe to Grind Rained heavy West Wind cut some oats But they are too Wet to cut Chaffy up to Douquetts for a Dance

23rd Rain Dull West and E Wind some say Miss Baker is to be Married to Day I am not sure corn getting some hard Ground very Dry Leander to Summerstown Bought Sugar Soda Pepper

24th Fine Finished cutting the Oats Began cutting the Barley Turning Oats Fishing got 18 2 Men From the Pitt Point got Chicken and Corn Leander to Dundee got 2 Butter Tubs East Wind some Drops of Rain St Bartholomew's Day 1 Tub of Butter to Jo Douquett 14 Doz of Eggs 7.8 a Man and Boy Tenting at head of the Island

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James Cameron Island

25th of Augt 1899 Fine Day Mr Webster and the 2 youngest Daughters here 4 Doz of Eggs 1 Quart of Milk and a Pint of Cream Brought a Dish a Present to Pack Butter in. The 2 Lucias hear For 1/2 Bushel of Potatoes 1 lb of Butter took their Box came up yesterday cutting the Barley coiling the oats on the East side Beans Ripe Daisy came to the Front Leander crofsed

26th a Fine Day E Wind cutting the Barley Made some coils went around the Island Leander crofsed this Evening got Papers

27th a very Fine Day E Wind Daisy Adeliade Minnie Gordon Eddy Fernandez here all went off this Evening

28th a very very Warm Day one of the Lucias here Butter and Salt Lewis Bosell for Baits putting in or making a Stack of Oats Made some coils of the Barley Gave my right side of my head an awful Blow to night against the Oak-Tree at the Door came right up against it. Dizziness this Evening

29th very Fine very warm E Wind Ed Douquetts Party Down to Day Going to Have a Boyeau To 3 chickens Butter Eggs and Potatoes 2 More Men came had Mr Roys Boat Gave Stanley 50 cents to take the Boat Back to Roy Ed Renshaw here Stanley went up with Eddy to take in his oats

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## James Cameron Island

30th of August 1899 a verry verry Warm Day cut some in the Marsh Lucias for Potatoes and Tobacco Maggie Baker Married to Day To Mr Wiley Adelaide Lilly Daisy Minnie came Down Leander and all of them went up to night

31st Fine Made a Stack of the Barley all the Grain Done now Eddy Renshaw Sharpening his Sythe Leander crofsed with Tub of Butter To Jo Douquetts Lucias here Brought a Sturgeon the Ivy Down to Day at the Head of the Island Pic nic in very Smoky with Fires a Lot of Shooting goin on on the South side

1st of September St Giles Day E Wind Rained some Lucias for Potatoes 1/2 Bushel Stanley and Fernandez Went to Dundee Bought Twine for a Sturgeon Line Went to the Head of the Island Fixing Hooks on snoods

2nd Fine very warm catching Bait Mowing in the Marsh Set a new Sturgeon Line Leander to Summerstown Got a Letter From Jamesina From Cornwall stating that Reuben and herself would be Down Monday on the Boat and to Meet them at Hamiltons wharf Heard Old Mrs Cattanach Departed in the 2nd Concefsion

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## James Cameron Island

3rd of Sept 1899 Dan's Birth Day 1846 very Fine Day Leander to church Got 4 Sturgeon 1 Ell

4th D.C.F Birth Day Labor Day Fine Day Leander crofsed for them which promised to come they did not come Adelaide Daisy and Minnie came Husked some corn Fernandez crofsed to see if they came on the afternoon Boat they were not there corn about Ripe cut some Stalks

5th John Angus's Birth Day Fair in Williamstown Fernandez went to Cornwall to get his Bycicle Fixed a Sturgeon channel Cat and an EEI yesterday 2 Sturgeon Stanley Mowing and coiling in the Front Marsh. Few Drops of Rain high Wind Fernandez Traded his Wheel Leander Went to Williamstown to the Fair Seen the Monument that Dan put up Seen John Angus Folks Bought 1 lb Tea Box of Matches

6th Fine Windy Fernandez went to Fair in Williamstown Ed and Lilly here Brought crab apples 2 men for Bates Ridley cutting in the Marsh Putting in some Ears of corn cut some

7th Stalks husking to night Minnie came From Randolph Made a Stack of Marsh hay Fair in Cornwall Siss sold 21 Doz of Eggs Bought Tax Soap Sugar Chimney

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James Cameron Island

September the 8th 1899 Fine Began cutting in the Back Marsh Made some coils Lucias for Tobacco 15 Potatoes 25 Peter Back for Butter 36 husking some

9th a very Fine Day Made a Stack of Marsh hay out of Back Marsh put some in the North End of the Stable Leander crofsted to Post Office Gordon and Fernandez came from Renshaws shingling their Barn

10th Adelaide and Ionia came

11th at the corn Fine

12th Fine Cutting cornstalks and Husking corn Eddy here Got a Paper From Dan with the Bonnie Blooming Heather in it From Bonnie Scotland

13th Fine cool Leander and Fernandez went to Mill with the Last of the Wheat Bought a Small Shaving Glass Taking in Corn husking at night Cutting Corn Stalks Eddy for eggs to Day Making crabapple Jelly Horses in the upper field

14th Fine cool Windy took in the Last of the corn cutting the Last of the cornstalks husking to night Keeping the Horses in at night putting corn in the Boathouse Leander to Summerstown Eddy for his Scythe Lucias for Potatoes 25 cents

15th Fine Tying cornstalks Leander to Summerstown to Sack of Salt 12 young chickens out now Pretty Late 1 lb of Tea Gordon took his Box of Tools

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James Cameron Island

16th of Sept 1899 a very Fine Day Filled a Tick with corn husks put some corn stalks in the Barn Drew some Boards over to the Pitt Point Took over the Wheat Box Stanley went with Ed Renshaw to make a Stack on Francis Island Lewis the Indian here Got salt and Matches

iron for a Gaff Fernandez to Lancaster Done Tracing the Corn this Morning Seen a Wild Goose Gordon came

17th St Lamberts Day Leander and Minnie to church Wrote Gordons name in his Bible Gordon crofsed

18th Fine Began taking up the Potatoes put 56 Bushels in the cellar to Day of Burbanks Ferandez for Lime Ed Renshaw for Stanley

19th Raining East Wind Lucias here for Potatoes peck 12 1/2 Salt 5

20th Equinoxical Gales about this Time Sun crossing the Line East Wind Rained got a Sturgeon Lucias for Butter 6 lbs at 18 cents 1.08 Boys at the Bush and cellar Oliver Monica Supposed to be Drowned as his Boat was Found

21st some Wet put in 32 Bushels to Day thats 88 Bushels in the cellar now Digging Stones on the Pitt Point Fernandez for Lime Jo King here to tell about Oliver St Matthews Day

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James Cameron Island

22nd of Sept 1899 Black Friday Stanley and Fernandez for Lime Taking up Potatoes Finished the Burbanks Gordon and Leander crofsed got a Sledgehammer

23rd Fine E Wind Finished next the Road Began the peice Below the corn there is 210 Bushels up now to Day Sissy and Minnie crofsed a Basket of Eggs seen 5 Plovers to Day Blue Jays came sugar 12 Doz)

24 Sunday Windy Leander and Minnie to church stopt with the Wind tonight Rained

25th Fine some Drops of Rain Leander came this Morning Drawing stones to the cellar I went to the head of the Island to Salt the Sheep I and Ionia Fishing Perch for to Bait the Line caught a Lot but its Windy Leander crofsed Minnie came Back with him Rained very heavy to night

26th Raining all Day East and West Wind got 4 Sturgeon this Morning one 64 lb Fernandez went to Jo Lemays

27th West Wind Rained Fernandez went with the Sturgeon to Jo Lemays Wrote a Letter to John Cameron Junction City Kansas USA to Day Ed Renshaw here

28th Fine W Wind Building the cellar Wall Drawing Stone Broke the Line and Found it Leander crofsed sent a Letter and 2 papers and a Sprig of Heather to J Cameron

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James Cameron Island

29th of September 1899 St Michaelmafs Day Rained to night Gordon and Fernandez Found Oliver Monica up in the Bay went to Alexis Island and one of he Men that Fished with him came over to the Bay and they took the Body up the River they stopt all night

30th Fine Windy Lucias for Potatoes 25 and 1/ lb of Butter 10 the Boys came after Burying Oliver Drawing stones to the cellar from the Bank Leander crofsed to Summerstown

1st of October Ionia's Birth Day Gave her 50 cents Fine cool Windy Gordon to church Randolph and Adelaide here took a Dish of Jelly here Frost to night

2nd ice Windy Fine cool some Grains of Snow Working at the cellar Wall Fernandez went to Cornwall with his Gun to Get Fixed Eddy Renshaw here Killed a Mutton Saturday the 30th Looking at my Books

3rd Fine at the Potatoes took up 30 Bushels to Day thats 240 in the cellar now Sissy to Summertown got Tea Working at the cellar Drawing Stones

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James Cameron Island

4th of October 1899 Fine Day October 4 in Bottles Working at the cellar putting the Ground with the scraper to the wall Lucias for Ducks took 1 to Day 25 cents corn 10 cents to take the other again 50 cents a couple Went to Fish Ionia and I a Lot of Boats a Going to Day some Drops of Rain

5th Fine Day Finished the East part of the Wall Drawing stones Lucias to 1/2 Bushel of Potatoes 25 Filing my saw

6th Fine To 1 Tub of Butter 12 Doz of Eggs to Douquetts Working at the cellar Wall Lewis here Ionia and I Fishing Bait Sissy and Minnie to Summerstown Some one Brought cabbages

7th Finished the cellar wall Gordon not Well Drew some of the Timber for the Frame from the camp took in the rest of the corn Stalks Fernandez and Minnie to Cornwall the Grenada aground Late into Summertown he did not Get his Gun Brought Home Shoes and Shells Got a Lot of Papers and Magazines From DMM

8th Fine E Wind Leander to church Mr Barnhart here Treated me to a Drop of Good Stuff Got Shells From Fernandez Rained hard to night a Lot of Young Chickens came home Gordon Stopt at Hamiltons to night

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James Cameron Island

9th of October 1899 Misty Drizzling Leander to Douquetts Stanley went for the Mare Making hay Blinds in the Boathouse Mr Genie here Blackbirds at the Beechnuts a Leander came to night 1 lb Tea

10th H. A. {Hugh Ann} B Day St Dennis Day a very Fine Day Drew some of the Timber over to the House on the Pitt Point Gordon Fixing off the Timber Randolph here Working at the Hay-Blinds with Stanley and Leander Ionia and I Fishing got a Lot Lent ..... Fixing at Axe-handles Gordon and Leander to Dundee Salted the cows Leander and Gordon went to Dundee Bought Hayseed Boots coats Drawers undershirts Soap Dan Spink here with Surgeon to Sell to Jo Lemay

11th Fine Fernandez to Lemays to sell his Fish put up the Thrashing Mill Thrashed 28 Bushels of Oats to Day Lewis here took Home the 2 Inch-Augur Gave him some pipes Ed Renshaw here Fixing my Irons crocery Pipes and Corks

12th Thrashing 45 Bushels to Day thats 73 Bushels of Oats out of the First Stack Moved the Mill into the Barn Made Blinds Last night and to Day Randolph at Blinds Brought me the Witnefs came From Dan Killed 2 Roosters Lucias to 1/2 Bushel of Potatoes 25 Began Boiling Potatoes for the Hogs

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James Cameron Island

13th of October 1899 Fine Randolph here took away the Blinds and Him and Leander took up the scow E Wind Took up 9 Rows of Potatoes about 20 Bushels to Day thats 260 Bushel in the cellar now Gordon at the Frame Leander at Jo Douquetts

14th Fine Few Drops of Rain West Wind Harrowing and Ploughing the East Peice of Potatoes took up to Day about 6 Bushels Gordon to Summerstown a Big Fire over the way of McDougalls Marsh Like Stacks Burning Making Grape Jelly Salted the Cattle

15th Fine W Wind John H and Donald Spink here Gave John H a pair of Mits

16th My Paper is up Fine East Wind Randolph here heard the Canal was Broke no Boats a Going Laying the Foundation of the House taking over the Lumber from here Blackbirds plenty Sparrows Plenty on the Stacks Eddy here Got Nails at Haggartys 3 cents a lb

17th Fine W Wind Working at the Building Fernandez to Lancaster Windy very smoky putting a Handle in the axe

18th St Lukes Day Rained hard Last night Lucias for Potatoes 25 cents Fernandez came took Lumber from Lancaster Boots Stanley sent for under clothes working at the Frame Canal Fixed Boats coming up

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James Cameron Island

19th of Oct 1899 Thanksgiving Day Ploughing Potato Ground about 6 Bushels to Day Working at the House Windy Fine Boiled Potatoes for the Pigs Boarding the Outside of the house Leander to Summerstown to night Bought Sugar and Tea

20th Fine Ploughed the Potato Ground at below the corn Got 3 of B4 and Rained Last night Froze hard to night Fixing Decoys Cant get their Line Boarding the House

21st Fine Windy cool ice this Morning Working at the House Fernandez Hunting at the Little Island north side got nothing Setting Fires to the Marsh dont Burn good Set Fire in the Bay it runs in the Leaves in the swamp so to clean it some Leander and Gordon crofsed Killed a Sturgeon Began Ploughing Down next the hay at the Lower Point water Low

22nd Fine Randolph here Gordon and him to Cornwall Leander to church

23rd Livinia's Birth Day Fine Rained some Sowed the Hay-seed Leander went to Jo  
Douquetts took his Decoys and Rigging to hunt Ducks Stanley Ploughing on the Lower-  
Point Set a new Line Feeding the cows in the Stable

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James Cameron Island

24th of Oct 1899 Our Hugh's Birth Day Fine Gordon came Fixing the Thrashing Mill to Thrash  
some Wheat Thrashed about 3 Bushels a Lot of Shooting to Day a hunter for Straw for  
Bedding Ionia putting Down the Wheat off the Mow

25th My Birth Day 1825 Fine some Windy Mr Genie here Mr Atwood and Mr Barnhart here 2  
of the Lucias here at the Thrashing 4 1/2 Bushels of Wheat to Day Mill not very good Gordon  
at the Rafters Barnhart Bought 8 Ducks paid for them Trying to Burn the Back Marsh dont  
Burn well 74 years old to Day going on 75 now

26th Smoky Some Rain north and West and E Wind Randolph and Barnhart here took 10  
Duck and 10 Dozen of Eggs Randolph came again and took 2 Ducks Lucias for Potatoes and  
Corn 25 cents Gordon Stanley Fernandez putting up the Rafters Norman Derushie Tenting  
on the Little Island north side Leander called this morning Going Down

27th Cool some Rain Stanley and Gordon working at the Frame Derushie Left Windy East  
Raining to night a Meeting in Summerstown to night

28th Raining to Day E Wind Gordon Plaining Boards Gordon crofsed Randolph and Leander  
here Dan sent his Photograph

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James Cameron Island

29th of October 1899 Fine Windy John H J Jack D Spink here came to see the Building  
Leander and Randolph here hunting Lucius for Potatoes 20 cents

30th Fine W Wind cool Fernandez went to Lancaster for Rafters for the Kitchen part Stanley  
Ploughing Gordon at the Building Fernandez got 120 feet of Lumber and Rafter Zink or Tin  
for the Roof of the Kitchen Gordon and Fernandez crofsed to night for Nails Sent off 2  
Letters with them to put in the Post Office one to DMM and one to Arthur Craig of the

Glengarrigan postage and Register 9 cents containing 1 Dollar got a Receipt got Envelopes  
Nails Butter tub 25

31st Holy-Eve the night of the Fairies Boarding East End of the Kitchen Shooting with the  
Double-Barrel Gun to Day Bought Powder Shot and Caps Last night at Haggarty a Lot of  
Shooting to Day cracking nuts to night Keeping the Hallo-Een East Wind Raining hard to  
night

1st of November All Saints Day the Harvest Month of Death East Wind Raining hard some  
Shooting Fired 5 shots at a Duck did not Get him Gordon Making Hammer handles Froze  
hard to night

Annie's Baby Born on 6th of November 1899

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James Cameron Island

November 2nd 1899 Fine cool W Wind Sissy and Stanley went to Mill with Wheat took the  
oil jar had D Spinks Boat Lucias here Bought 2 Tubs of Butter They went off to Day Left their  
Fish-Box

3rd Fine Working at the Building Stanley Ploughing George Creamer her for Livinia East  
Wind took up Annies Bed Sent some Books to Min got a Pipe from George Heard a  
Rumbling Noise Like and Earthquake about 8 or 1/2 past 8 o'clock one of the White Ducks  
Killed and 1 of the Black Ducks caught in the Trap Fixing a Fence around the upper Field  
Stack Rained hard tonight

4th Wind West Rained hard and Blew hard to Day Working at the Building Stanley Finished  
ploughing the north side East Leander came with the Mail or Letter From John Cameron  
Kansas and the Scottish American and a Map of the War Chart of South Africa Raining and  
Windy to night

5th Gun Powder Plot Guy Fawks Day Fine Day

6th Fine W Wind Stanley Ploughing Leander and Randolph here had the Mail Gordon  
Working at the cornishes 2 Boats Collided at Stanley Island the Captain's Son Killed Genie  
here

on the 5th Took a Fainting Turn at night 6th

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James Cameron Island

7th of Nov 1899 Helen's Birth Day Fine Day Wind Stanley Ploughing commenced Shingling the West side Fixing a Box to put irons in cut My Stalk of Tobacco cleaned the Chimney and Pipes Stanley and Fernandez went home with Dan Spinks Boat to night Bought a Lantern 40 cents

8th a very Fine Day Leander came Gave me an apple that came From Nova-Scotia working at the Shingling of the Kitchen Fernandez went to Lancaster voters List to Day Leander went to Jo's Gordon crofsted to Church at night Foggy to night very Foggy Gordon got astray coming Home and went Down the Lake a Good ways Landed at the Lighthouse with Mr Thomas Hill and was used very Well by Mr Hill Besides sending me a Lot of Papers and a Fine Book on Methodism Bought of John Summers about 36 Lamp chimneys and a Lot of Buttons

9th Prince of Wales B Day Mr Morin and Randolph here Treated me with Good Scotch Whiskey Lilly and Adelaide here Killed a Mutton Foggy Banking

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James Cameron Island

10th of Nov 1899 Fine Shingling Sawing Wood Banking the House Shut the outside cellar put in the Steps

11th St Martin or Martimas East Wind cool First Snow Fell to Day on the Ground Randolph and Dog here him and Leander on the Little Island North Side put in the calves to night Shingling the West side of the House Banking and ploughed some put Milk in the Buttery

12th Fine John H here Fernandez crofsted to take the 3 acrofs in the Morning Dan Spink John H and Fil Annian Going to the South Woods

13th Fine Windy They went off on the cars From the Fort ice Froze on Salmon River Grenada Broke it coming out this is Her Last Trip Gordon and Stanley at the Kitchen part

underpinning with Stone and Plaster Drew Sand Made Balls to night Fixed their Sturgeon Lines

14th a very Fine Day Fernandez to Lancaster for 2 1/4 Thousand Shingles Hamilton went Down Last Trip Took the Deer pelt From Lancaster Took Tar-paper Got Shingle Nails at Haggartys Ionia and Sissy to the Kit Kit

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James Cameron Island

15th of Nov 1899 Fine The Grenada came out to Day some Foggy and a Few Drops of Rain a Lot of Shooting to Day Fixing around the Building Stanley Plastering the Stables

16th Fine Paid Bone {ink blot} E Wind Freezing to night at the Building

17th Fine at the Building went to Douquet with 18 lb Tub of Butter got a Lot of Papers From Helen giving an account of the Burton Boys of Burton City

18th Fine Banking the new house Taking away the Rubbish shut the Windows Gordon crofised with George Annans 2 Hammers

19th Fine Gordon to Church Leander and Eddy here

20th Fine Mr Morin and Randolph here had a Good Drink Gordon came and went off to Cattanachs Stanley and Fernandez to Lewis's got the Butcher Knife

21st On This Day of the Month 1846 Donald McMaster Senior Departed Fine Livinia and George came Fernandez went Hunting got 2 Stanley Putting out Manure went around the Island On the 19th at 1/2 Past 11 o clock heard 2 Loud Yells at the Foot of my Bed Ionia went up with George on the 21st

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James Cameron Island

22nd of Nov 1899 St Celia Day Fine Rained Last night Stanley Ploughing Behind the old Barn Fernandez went after 2 Pigs at {illegible} Paid for them 5 Dollars and {illegible} of Oats Making a pen for the pigs cutting {illegible} Fernandez to Summerstown Got Spo{illegible}

23rd American Thanksgiving Day a{illegible} Fine Day Jo Lemay and Lenwe{illegible} got 12 lb of Butter 24 Stanley Ploughing Back of the Barn Making a Trough got a Book From Mr Morin Hunting at the Little Island North Side

24th Fine Fixed the small Table Stanley Ploughing Fernandez went to Summerstown gave him 5 Dollars to change in one Dollar Bills Got a Scotch Paper From Dan

25th St Catherine's Day a Big Day on the South side of the West Point a Great Buyo Feast The Cheaf\* of Party Mr Ed Douquett Mr Morin Eddy Renshaw Randolph Fernandez Stanley and Myself and Prince we had a Glorious Time Lots of the Jorum Lots of Beer Lots of Cigars a Feast For a King \* Chief

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James Cameron Island

26th of Nov 1899 Fine Stanley and Fernandez to Ross Island

27th Fine I went to upper Point Fernandez to Haggartys 1 Bag of Fine Salt 1 Bag of Coarse salt Stanley and Fernandez to Mill with Wheat and corn not Shelled Sent for Court Plasters and Essence of Peppermint 15 Calico Malby went of to Day

28th Fine Leander and Randolph came went to hunt got 9 and got 2 More putting out Manure Randolph and Fernandez to Summerstown

29th Fine Killed the The White Pig Leander and Randolph hunting got 9 Ducks no Boats to Day Randolph and Leander to Summerstown to night This is St Andrews Eve

30th St Andrew's Day Festival of the Scotch East Wind cloudy Mirky some Rain Leander Randolph hunting got 4 cut the Pork and Salted it a Tow went up the Maria Leander to Summertown They took all their Ducks

1st of December East and West Wind no Lights to night Windy Gordon took his Bible no Boats to Day Tea and Tub can of Syrup to Jo Douquett

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James Cameron Island

2nd of December 1899 Fine West Wind a Tug went up with 1 Barge Killed the Black Pig an Eclipse to night Windy some Rain New Moon after

3rd 1st Sunday in Advent Went to Charlies and Rofs's Island Leander and Fernandez for Ducks Leander to Church to night Snowed Heavy to night a Boat went Down this Morning

4th West Wind Snowed some

5th Fine W Wind Leander to Summerstown Bought Cinnamon X Martin got 4 Bushels of Oats Uncle Bill and Billy came

6th St Nicholas Day The Festival of the Russians East Wind Martin going to Lancaster got the Oars Randolph here Eddy Renshaw here Windy Billy and Leander Fishing EELs got 2 Shot a Duck

7th Froze Last night Fishing EELs got 31 Randolph got 16 Martin Left the oars 2 Bills went off

8th Fine Shelling corn Ed Renshaw here stopt all night took in the Pork to Thaw

9th Fine cut the Pork Shelling corn put in Barrels Leander went for Mail South East wind to night Freezing

10th Fine Leander's Birth Day 1872 went to Church to night the Princefs Louise Towing scows to Summerstown

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11th of December 1899 Rainind hard Ed Renshaw Fishing EELs him and Fernandez got 9

12th Raining Snow all Gone Fixing the cutter High Wind

13th Rained Piling Wood at the Camp in the Bush Took the Head out of the Pontoon Windy West snowed some tonight

14th Fine Fernandez went to Fort Covington XGot oil Boot Fixed a Letter Registered got a net sent Papers to John Cameron Kansas City Junction Leander crofsted to Summerstown Randolph here did not come to night

15th Windy Drawing wood in the Sugar Bush Leander came through the night about 2 o'clock a Broom 1 lb Tea

X16th Froze hard Last night very Fine to Day Leander shot 4 Ducks Fernandez crofsed got 2 Scotch Papers From Dan EW to night an Eclipse to night on the Moon and a change on the Moon

17th Fine E Wind Fixed up a Small Box of Ducks for Dan Leander crofsed with the Box to Haggartys to go of in the Morning Mary Ann here She is Married to Jo Mitchell the Indian got oil and Whitewash brush

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18th of Dec 1899 calm a verry verry Fine Day Sun very hot Boys to Rofs's Island for Ducks Went for EEIs got 11 Taking the Boards out of the Grainery to the new house Randolph here Frank Laplant Raising some of the sunken Boats to day I hear John Hamilton Butchering to Day

19th Raining West Wind Fixed a Peice to the spear pole to make it Longer no Fish no Ducks no Mink to Day Windy to night Wrote a Letter Dated the 21st with 25--- cents in it To Douglas & Company Napanee Ontario

20 Fine Windy West Fernandez went to Lancaster with the irons of the Mill no Ducks sawed a part of an ash Log Windy to night Last Day of the Fall Sent off the Letter to Lancaster P.O for Napanee Fernandez did not come tonight

21st St Thomas Day the Shortest Day in the Year Gordon here Fernandez came Leander to Summerstown Got 3 Letters 1 From Dan 1 From John Cameron 1 From A McArthur

22nd Fine East Wind took over the Rest of the Boards out of the Granery

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23rd of Dec 1899 very Foggy all Day East Wind Leander crofsed Received a Parcel From Dan and a Parcel From Minnie a Letter From Dan a Package From Douglas & Co of Napanee

Egyptian Linament Got a Postal card From a True Blood Scotsman A.D. Webster of Quebec with Greetings Private Sovenier Postal Card

24th Raining E Wind to night wind changed to West Blew very hard to night Froze some Christmas Eve

25th Christmas Day Fine very Windy From the West Few Grains of snow

26th St Stephens Day Fernandez Went to Fort Covington Sent a Letter to Dan Received a Letter from Dan 2 or 3 Words in it Leander crofsed to Summerstown to night Bought a currycomb 12 cents

27th St John the Evangelist The Free Masons Day Cool Fine Randolph here Grinding axes Fernandez Bought an axe

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28th of Dec 1899 St Innocents Day Fine Cool W Wind Shot 2 Ducks Burnt some Marsh Drew some Elm sticks out of the Pasture Leander crofsed to night Grinding axes

29th Uncle Angus Camerons Birth Day Fine some Grains of Snow Gladstones Birth Day cutting Elms in the Pasture Shelled about 2 Bushels of Corn to night Froze hard to night Windy

30th Frosty Windy Foggy Cold Shot a Black Duck

31st Last Day of the year Ice Froze Last night to Christees East Wind

1st of January \* 1900 New Years Day got a Letter From Dan Concerning the Coat Leander and Fernandez crofsed to Summerstown John H and Dan Spink Came Home to Hamiltons Lots of air-holes

2nd Fine West Wind Fernandez crofsed got the Parcel John H and Gordon came Ed Renshaw here Fishing EEIs got 15 Gave John H a Present of an Overcoat Received a Dollar from JH

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