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March 1st 1887

This is the first day of the month.

A very pleasant day rather cold.

A wind worth, light breeze.

Wills gone to Kingston with hay, the nineteenth load.

Will drew Rachel's hay too.

Grace & John at school. We saved

the hefers milk this morning. Welly

and Volty cutting wood on Linda.

expect them home to dinner any

minnet. Wells will have to go to mill

on for the flower is most gone

the evening went up on the ice after

Grace the boy's went skating in evening.

Wednesday 2nd A bright day, wind

south and thawing. Wells gone to

Kingston. Welly & Volty drawing wood

from Lindas Grace and John at school

Wells carried Rob a pig, We got up early

Will called twice Anna Flynn

came to buy a drake. boys drew

loads of wood. Mers Gloyd sent me a

boquet by Wells.

[written on the side] I got breakfast and eat by lamp light [written on the side]

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March 3rd Thursday

A pleasant day sun shining
brightly wind north light good
skating Wells gone to Kingston
to mill. Grace at school
John went to corners for oil
Frank Kendall came in morning
stayed until after dinner & then
went over to Bells came back
towards evening eat supper and he
and Welly went over to Bells
Welly and Volty chopped wood on
Lindas in afternoon Will went to
conest at ferry in after evening
Grace out skating this evening
I sent the boquet to Meys Kenting
and lent her 6 magazines
Volty gave Mrs Flym a drake
Frank and Our Boys rapaired the organ.

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Friday March 4th

A bright clear day Wind west
and cold. Frank Kendall stayed
here all night & to breakfast. Volty
went home with him Wells and I went
over to the corners saw Horace at
Curtis' store. got home again about
half past two O'clock John & Grace at
school Welly drawing wood from
Lindas. Maud Mattie & Charley
came over to Wills & Welly & Johny
went down in evening and stayed until
after 12 O'clock

Saturday 5th, a cold day. wind north,
breezy. frost on the windows cloudy.
Charley Mattie & Maud here most
all day. in The evening Welly & the girls
go over to Bells Charley went down
to Will and stayed all night. John
& Grace at home Volty at Kendalls
Will came up and they all sang
They all enjoyed themselves and had a
good time all day Wells mended the
shed

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Sunday 6th March 1887

Snowed all night a heavy fall of snow
and snowing some all the forenoon.

Welly & the girls came back about noon
& Welly took them to Wills. They said they
were going right straight home but they
did not, for Charley & Jen went up to Mary's
so Johny went down to Wills & Welly lunched
and went to Wells at home reading.

Grace at home Volty at Kendalls,, weather quite
mild light wind south thawing &
rained a little. Volty came home
towards evening They all went down
to Wills and stayed till past bedtime.

Monday 7th Rather soft day,
cloudy Charley & girls went
home this morning our boys went
down to Wills to see them off Wind south
John at school Wells went to Obuno
to put up Notice for sale of Ross
farm Welly & Volty drew hay from
the stack Grace stayed at home
to help me wash Charley came towards
evening to get Wells to help draw his
hay home he got a bee to draw it
Our boys except John down to Wills till bed time.

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Wells Bamford &
W b Dixon Devolson
Bamford
Wolfe Island
St Lawrence
Ont
John
Bamford

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8th Tuesday A bright day all day
Wind south Wells drawing Hay for
Charley Volty smuggled ile Grace &
John at school Volty brought up some
honey from the cellar John Flym
and Johnny Flynn called here going to help
Charley Wells helped Bates out of the ice in
the evening

Wednesday 9th Raining wind north
ground most bare John and Grace
at school Wells and Volty drew a load of
wood from Lindas and went back and
front over a log for a roller Welly
smugled two articles Will came up for
his sleigh to draw straw John Niles
here in the evening

Thursday 10th A bright fair day, wind
North but not cold Wells gone to Kingston
Volty at home part of the day Will came
and he Volty went to help Will draw
straw Welly skated over the river
to buy himself a pair of boots
Ed Rattray came and inquired for
Volty John and Grace at school
Bates came home with Wells &
The boys drove Bates
home in the sleigh

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March 11th A fine day cold
wind north Wells carried Grace to
School came back and went to
Town for lumber to build an ice house
Welly went to the Fest on skates Volty
Went over to St Lawrence for books
John at school. Bates came up
looking for whiskey couldn't find
it Will came twice Paterson here
to buy a few peas O Rouke's
Bates stayed to dinner & then went
home

Saturday 12th Wells went to Ganonoque for
saw dust for the ice Jack McDonel here
Will Dixon here helping the boys build
the ice house Bates here for whiskey
A very fine day Wind west
Grace & the boys at home.

Saturday 13th a very fine day wind
south We went over to Bells mother
Wells Grace & Belle wanted her
grandmother to stay she promised to
go over Wednesday When we got home
found the boys & McFaden on ice
chasing Mckays calf Jim McFaden
has been here all day and he stayed all
night Rachel came home to day

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She has been gone six weeks
visiting

14th

A rather cold day wind north
Volty commenced working for Niles
Wells & Welly working on ice house
Grace at home & John too
Rachel came up & and mother went
home Wells drew saw dust from
Charley's and then drew a load
of hay from stack

15th Tuesday a fine day Wind South

Rachel here making lace Wells
Went to Kingston for scuntting & more
shingles didn't get home until after
midnight his team got in the ice
had work to get the horse out lost
his coal soap and part of his nail
Volty working for Niles Welly helped
Eb fill his ice house Grace and John
at home Ben Peltingill died to day
while out chopping wood in the woods
Rachel went down to mothers
in the afternoon Ada Berthaleorn
and Frank Bamford over after
buttermilk

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March 16th Wednesday
Rather cloudy wind south
snow falling this afternoon
Wells working on his ice house
Will Welly & Edd Rattray dig the
Poor man grave Bill Bates been to
town with all Joslin & got drunk all
dumped him out by Johns Niles'
and he stayed along carrying his
bundle until he came to the consession
gate where he fell down. after an efort
he got up again only to fall down
then he could'nt get up again at all
and lay there a long time till Wells
went and helped him up and down
as far as Wills and there they lifted
him into the cutter and Will & Wells
pushed the cutter down as far as Ebbs
& unloaded Bill and got him into
the house and to bed. Luceno sick
& crazy

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March 17th St Patricks day
a mild way Wind south
Ben Pellingill burred to day
All the family gone to the
church except Volty & I Rachel
went over to Belle with Charley
& Henry in the evening Henry
came for me I went to Bells
They had Dr Joliffe from the Ferry
Heer Bells baby born at half past
4 Oclock Friday morning March 18th
Friday 18th I stayed at Charleys
till 5 O clock P. M. Charley brought
me home Rachel stayed there
Charley eat supper with us Grace
had supper ready when we came
home Charley gave me some egg
a mild day Wind light & south
[on the side] Well & our men filled our ice house [/on the side]
Saturday 19th a fine day Wind south
Wells gone to Kingston Jim Morgan
here to get Welly to help them fill there
ice house but he went over to the river
to spinks Volty Working for Niles
Grace & I moped churned baked &e &e
Charley brought Rachel home mother went
home with him

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Sunday 20th a very soft day

Wind south

Welly across the river yet Johny
run away & went over too gone all
day Till long after dark ice very poor
Welly & Johny came home together
at bed time Volty down to Wills
most of the day Grace cried to go
to Mrs Niles but I would'nt let her
go Rachel reading Wells reading
silva over and back to day

Monday 21st a cloudy hazy day

thawing wind south Wells drawing
hay from our stack for O'brien
Grace at school Volty working for
Niles Welly at Al Joslins in fore noon
after noon Welly and Wells helped
Will Butcher the old sow Johny
at home helping his father choring aronud
Rahcel making lace I washing
and darning

Teusday 22nd A cloudy day snowing

some Wells Will Jen Rachel & Bates
gone to Kingston on the ice Will carried
up his old sow to sell Welly working for
All Joslin building a hog pen Volty working for
Niles Grace at home taking care of Jens baby
little Charley while she gone to town
Bates stayed here all night drunk

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March 23 Wednesday a fine
day Wind West Bates here drunk
most of the day so drunk he couldn't
help himself most of the time a bed nearly
all day went home towards evening
Will helped him home Mr Millar the
minister here Jen came up in afternoon
and stayed to supper I took care of
her Baby while she went to church
in the evening the whole family went
excepting myself
24th Thursday a mild day wind
west a mild day indoors considering
what it was yesterday we expected
Mrs Hentig here after school but she
did not come for it looked so much
like rain. it did rain some
I and Rachel cleaned dusted
baked & moped, John & Grace at
school Welly at Joslins Volty at Niles
Wells at home doing nothing. The children
went to church in the evening
Bill Bates came up for his things
he left here he looks rather hard
and disipated said he wished he had some
whiskey I Told him what I thought of
whiskey drinking & drunkards I gave
him my opinion free of charge
[on the side] our hens began to fall [/on the side]

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Friday 25 Wind north and very
cold Wells at home Grace & John
at school Volty Ed Rattray &
Rob Horn went to millins bay
on the ice to smugle ile Ed & Rob
eat dinner here Rachel making paper
flowers I making Wells a shirt
Children went to church in evening
Saturday 26 very cold day wind
south sun shining every thing froze
in pantry milk onions frozen solid
Wells went to Kingston with cutter
on ice Volty went to Bulgers & Hennessy
collecting for Books Welly at All Joslin
John helped Will get wood Rachel
went down to wills to stay, awhile
Wells came home from Kingston cross
and devlish there is nothing done
right around the barn, spotted cow
had a calf two letters from Hugh today
Children went to church this evening

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March 27th Sunday a fine
day rather cold wind north
Wells Grace & I went over to Bells
Wells eat dinner to Johns Hollidays
Old John had whiskey plenty. Wells
drove the bay colt on the ice without
being shod colt skiped down 5 times
coming across the bay and the other horse
Jim had to draw the whole concern
ashore
had done the same thing you bet
O no
they cant

March 28th Monday a cold stormy
snowing all day wind north
Wells and Volty drawing hay from Grange
Grace and John at home Welly went
down to Wills and mended their chairs
and Then went down to All Joslins
Volty helped do the chamber work I darned
and mended Well's coat Grace & I sewed
carpet rags

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John Bamford

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March 29th cold day wind north
sun shining Grace & John at school
Wells and Volty drove over to Dignams
to get an some timber Volty helped
Will draw hay from Sam's. Wells Is at
All Joslins. I made bread & fried cakes
Jo Thompson called to day for his book
Wells drove to the school house for
Johny & Grace Will was here a while
Will here This Evening for milk
for Charlie

March Wendesday 30th A cold clear
day frost on the windows. Wind north
Wells gone to Kingston John at
School Grace at home George Far
came over
and Ogilvie Petre came over to hire
Rachel she has gone with them
they all walked over on the ice. The
crossing on the ice is poor
8 degrees below zero

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March 31st Thursday

Wind north

cold Wells and Volty draw

hay from grange Welly at all

Joslins Grace & John at school

This is the last day of school in

the lower district I mended too

pairs of pants and darned two pair

of mittens and doubled yarn

Sylvia Woodman is 24 years old to day

April 1st A bright warm day

snow melting rapidly wind south

& light Wells & Volty & Johny drew hay from grange Welly at All's

I an Grace twisted yarn and

colerd yarn and carpet rags

John Morgan stayed at Wills all night

drawing manure

2nd Saturday A bright fine day

wind north Thawing some John

and Grace got a bad cold John went

over to Charleys rode over with him

Mother came home and stoped here

and stayed all night Volty

helped Will chop wood on dignams

Welly at Alls Wells and John

drew manure all fore noon

John Morgan went over on the

ice from Wells to get Will som ile

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April 3 Sunday A fine warm day
wind South & light. Johny over to
Bell's. mother went home from
here this forenoon. John Morgan
came up with Welly & Volty, and stayd
to dinner. I am so sleepy I can
scarcely hold my eyes open, at 10 minutes to Three Oclock P. M.
A light frost last night, looks like rain.
Monday 4th Cloudy wind
South Bates here to dinner he
stoped here on his way from Niles'
where he had been for whiskey he
had left There three weeks ago. Welly
at All Joslins Wells went down home
with Bill Bates to borrow a file to
file a saw Volty went to Ebbs to
borrow a kettle to make soap in
and it was down to McFaden Volty
& Johny set up two leaches Mother came
up and sewed carpet rags.
Grace got a bad cold rained some
I set the tub for water but got none

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April 5th Tuesday

[on the side] back- on his them home & Volty brought in the evening

A bright day Wind West

rather cold Welly at all Joslins

Wells at home working at the

barn Snow squalls all day

Volty went to McFadens

to get Ebbs kettle to make

soap. The red cow had a

calf this morning which makes

three cows in John Niles gave Volty

Devero Breakey came for a drake

[on the side] a bag of sweet apples [/on the side]

6th Wednesday A fine bright

day wind north. Wells at work

on the ice house Volty helped Will

draw wood from Digmans & shot

an owl on the wing & captured

him alive. Welly at Alls Johny chopping

wood at the door Grace & her grandmother

sowing carpet rags I canned Apples

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7th A beautiful day but rather
cold wind west Wells working
on the Ice home Welly at All's'
Volty chopping bass wood for
summers wood Johny chopping
wood at the door
Grac and her grandmother
sewing carpet rags
I canned apples and washed
and done jeneral house work
John Morgan came across on the ice to day
8th A bright day rather cold
for the season Wells working on
the ice house Welly at All's
Volty chopping bass wood down
on the coiner John boiling
watter for the back and choring
around Grace & Grandmother sewing
carpet rags

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April Saturday 9th

A fair day

wind south Ice breaking up

in the river channel open from

Clayton to Cape Vincent

Wells shinglin the ice house

Welly at All Joslins Voltie chopping

bass wood John Tending the back

Grace & Grandmama sewing rags

two new lambs to day Grace is 13

years old to day she went to sams

for the mail two letters from Hugh

Voltie carried the bees out after dinner 3 dozens

Sunday 10th A pleasant day

wind south rather warm ice has

not left the shores yet only a

channel open, This is Easter sunday

but no eggs our hens do not lay

very well This spring I have only

to eggs and I am saving them

to buy coloring for carpet Will &

Jen here this after noon Mother went

2 lambs

home with them another lamb

and Will cant find his sheep

[on the side] Voltie let the owl fly away [/on the side]

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Monday

April 11th A very fine day wind
North no rain yet a dry april
snow all gone except the corner
of the fences and holows The ice not
left the shores yet Wells shingling
the ice house Volty & Johny making
soap & cleaning out the door yard
In the after noon Volty chops bass
wood & Johny draw bass wood home
Welly down to All preparing lumber
for a punt Will went to look for his
sheep found them on Morgan's point
Bill Bates called to say good
bye he is going away tomorrow
Wells has gone over to Old Rattray's
to show him where the hive is
Grace is sewing carpet rags
I am doing house work and
trying to wash Old sow tipped
over the soap kettle This afternoon
and wasted about half the soap Volty
didnt get home to supper Till after
eleven Oclock P.M. had been
to Will Glespies & the marsh & Meary Cunor

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April 12th Tuesday a cloudy,
cold day wind north looks like
snow Welly at all Joslins
Johny & Volty drawing Bass wood
home Wells tinkering around
Grace sewing rags Ebb went
to Kingston to carry Bates
I am waiting for the Boys to
come home to dinner I churned
& hung out the cloth we are
trying to wean our cats did not
snow at all cleared up fine John Niles told
well that the typhoid fever is on the
Island very fine weather and day
no snow no rain nothing but
good health and hard times but
I am Truly Thankful we have
enough Ice is all broken away
from shore to shore & the old
St Lawrence is rolling wide and
blue we got 8 eggs today

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Wednesday

April 13th A bright clear
day wind north and cold
ice floating up stream Wells
shingled- the ice house awhile but
so cold had to stop Welly & Will
making & punt down to Wills
Volty Tinkering around, at
every Thing painting ice house
and sorting paper rags
mixing paint John corded
the Bass wood John & Voltie are
now plowing The door yard
all up Grace darning stockings
and ironing and helping me
work around the house and
mending her aprons I cut out
an Under waist and made
it boiled beef and apples
and made cuslard pies no
rain yet or snow I wish
it would rain so I could catch
rain water two barrels All
Joslin here Will Dixon here
Jen came up for milk and I gave her
some butter too

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April 14th Thursday

A rather cloudy day, cold
wind north. Wells drove over
to Charlies this afternoon, and found
them all well. met Mr & Mrs Holliday
going up to Murphys, their children sick.
Wells went for hay. Welly at Wills working
on the punt. Johny spreading straw
& drawing manure on his gardens
and choring around. Grace washing
dishes, and set table. I cut rags all
day. Spafford and Frances here, looking
for peas. Voltie went to Wills Gillespies
to borrow a saw, and gone all day.
tis 7 O'clock and he not come yet.
no snow: no rain: I sow more
tomatoe seeds in pans. got 9 eggs
to day. Voltie came at dark. he
been sawing wood for Montiene
Delmar's. Will came in the Evening
for milk. Johny has gone some
where This Evening I guess up to
Sams I dont like to go to bed Till
he comes but Think I will for tis most
10 O'clock

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April 15 Friday A cloudy
day wind south & light a sprinkling
rain dont amount to much yet
mild Wells finished shingling
the ice house Welly at Wills building
punt Johny and Voltie saw Bass wood,
down on the corner In the affernoon
Wells Voltie & Johny draw hay
from George Gillespies Expected
Charlie & Henry down but they did
not come Mother came up to sew
rags I sowed cabbage seed red
Voltie went up to Niles to borrow saw
set I churned A black cloud
rising in the southwest Thunder
the wind rising & it set in
for an all night storm from South
dark rainy & windy Voltie &
[strikethrough] Johny [/strikethrough] gone down to Wills
Johny at sam's Voltie carred
milk and the umbrella.

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April 16th Saturday rained some
this
in the night & rained some on
this morning But Wells went to
Kingston Wind south changing
to west Air mild Welly stayed
all night at Wills cleared up about
noon the sun shone out Welly
building punt at Wills Volty split
Bass wood. & helped Will draw hay
in the afternoon from Gillespies
Tilly came and brought some sweet apples
and got some vinegar John
went to S.D. Wis for the mail
Grace got a letter from Maud
Wells got a letter frm [~~strikethrough~~] Hugh [~~/strikethrough~~]
Dick Spoor assessment
Will received a latter from ... Me and
Oour Turkey commenced to lay
got one egg = 10 eggs from the hens
W. got a letter fom Mex
It has not rained enough this
month to catch from the eves two
pails of water

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Sunday 17th A fine day
wind South West froze quite hard
last night fo the wind was north
Welly cliped John's hair and
accidently shot Wills dog Joe
I hope he will live through it afterwards
went up island to Jim Berrys
Will came up twice last time came for
mother to go home so and care for the
baby while he and jen goes Down to
Micheas Silvia for Bisonette & Liz came
over to day Welly let Joe have a rooster
Grace went down to Wills came back
and went up to Mr Niles John
went to Wills to help get the dog home
came back and has gone up stairs
to read Voltie stayed at home all
A. M. and has now gone off with Charlie
Woodman & Bisonette down stream
I used 6 eggs making two cakes and
two custard pies Wells went down tot he
lower place and Visited with Ebb awhile
Will & Jen came up here and did
not go to Michaes- in the evening

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Jane Niles and Willy came
and made us a siut We got
nine eggs to day Welly didn't
go to Berry's he went up to Mr
Woodmans come back and went over
to Breakeys & from there to Bells
A tug went up to day Towing two
barges and a vessel

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April 18th froze quite hard
last night ice froze out long
way in the river sun rose clear
and bright white frost last
night Wind north and ~~light~~ strong
Wells Volty and Johnny drew
a load of hay from Gillespies
P.M. plowed in garden a cold
raw day somewhat cloudy dark
clouds in south west like snow
10 hens eggs & 1 turkey egg I
used one egg I Welly came
home from Bells and worked
on punt in afternoon
Will went to Niles for potatoes
and apples stoped here and
got the hand axe
Welly crossed The Berry ~~sideways~~ from Hollidays
~~on the side~~ on these going and coming ~~on the side~~ ~~sideways~~
April 19th wind north changing to
south raw cold day river full of floating
ice sun Shining clear and bright
Wells & John building fence for hog
yard and around the pasture Wells Is
working on his punt Devolson plowing
for Niles & went up to Bulgers in the
Evening Jen made us two calls to day
over

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I colored scarlet and green for
carpet & baked 5 loaves of bread
Grace washing dishes and help
do the house work our hens lay
nine eggs to day Will here this
evening for milk & I lent him three
magazines
April 20th a clear bright day
Wednesday
warmer Than yesterday wind south
river full of floating ice
Wells built fence plowed more in the
garden & in P.M. plowed down by
Ebbs' frost not all out the ground
yet Johny chopped wood and done
chores Welly at wills work on punt
Volty plow all day for Niles with
our team. Mother came at noon
she & grace sew carpet rags The
rest of the day 2 Turkey eggs
and 12 hen eggs I sowed
cabbage radish lettuce & pepper
seed and in afternoon slept two
hours our boys all out not one at home
this evening

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April 21st Thursday

A clear bright day wind south

A slight shower towards evening

which amounted to a sprinkle

Wells plowing down by Ebbs

Welly making punt, Volty plowing

for Niles. Johny went to Wills A. N.

for the wheelbarrow & to Niles to borrow

garden rake & worked at cleaning out

the door yard in P.M. Grace & her

grandma cutting & sewing carpet rags

Will cow had twin colics Jane Niles

sent me some maple syrup hens lay

10 eggs to day Jen went to George

Gillespies visiting Johny went out

this evening and has not come yet at

15 minutes of 10 O'clock Wells plowed

some in garden frost not out yet

ice all along the shore cant get a

pail of water unless half ice

John has just returned he went down

to Gillespies with will for Jen and the baby

John Morgan came up from Clayton

to day Ed Rattray drove in here to borrow

drag or cultivator or something

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April 22nd Friday A foggy
mornign a mist so thick can
scarely see the river a very light
wind north almost a calm the river
like a sheet of glass with an abundance
of floating ice The mist rolls away
and the sun shines out bright and
warm the loveliest spring day yet
Wells plowing at home Volty plowing
down by ebbs Welly went to Wills
and at noon Volty came home by Wills
and help they drew the punt home
and put it in the woodshed Wells
went to O briens for cultivator teeth
for garden fence John sprea manure
& chored around Grace helped do
coocking mother sewed and cut rags
I cut rags & washed & churned
All Joslin came to clean wheat
Will here. wind changed east black
cloud rising south circle around
the sun barometer falling

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I went out after dark with the lantern and brought the clothes from the line They were dry Volty & John gone This evening to Mr Niles eleven eggs to day I used five Welly is writing a letter to Texico

April 23rd

Saturday A very windy day with some rain dark cloud rising wind partly clearing up all day threatening a severe rain storm baronmeter down to rain raw cold wind from the south Set out our rain barrel and tub & caught about a pailful of water Wells gone to Kingston for seed grain (wheat) got home about 10 Oclock P.M. Supper all dried up on the store waiting for him two bags of wheat [~~crossed-out~~] miss [~~/crossed-out~~] miSsing dont know where they are. glad I dont ever miss many I believe people that

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I Tend strictly to busisnes dont
ever miss or lose any thing
John plowed his in forenoon
Volty and Welly pottered around
In afternoon Volty plowed down
by Ebbs and plowed Wills garden
Welly mad ruder for his boat
Mother sewed rags Grace helped
do house work I cut rags and
cleand floor & fried cakes &
worked all day 14 eggs and 1
turkey eggs used one egg
Well came home and brought
the boys some tobaco said he
would rather buy Tobaco for
Them than they should borrow all
around the neighborhood
I made two apple pies Welly
went down to Wells to carry some
milk for Their baby and some milk for
Their sick cow and stayed all night

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April 24th Sunday A clear
bright day a south west. wind
disagreeably cold. wind strong,
river rough. Wells went to bed
lets his paper fall considerable
to day. Boys all got tobacco
they pass their time between home
and Wills except Welly I dont
know I where he is he went away
toward noon Grace went down to
Wills and after a while came back and
Voltie with her Volty brought The baby
to stay here while Will & Jen goes
down to Mer Mckays. Old Mr
Gillespie had the Doctor yesterday
I baked a meal puding for dinner
13 eggs to day & 1 Turkey egg
I used Three eggs Johny reading
most all day I am very sleepy
at half past 5 O clock P. M.
Charley came to Sams for the mail & came
here Will came for the babe Grace went home
with him.
and carried milk Welly has been over

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visiting Patterson and eat
dinner There

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April Monday 25 Cloudy morning
rains a little. clears away early sun
shining brightly at 10 O'clock wind
south not very warm I churned
and mixed bread. mother & Grace
washed breakfast dishes Will came
for her to go home to tend baby
while he & Jen make garden
Wells I went across the river to
mail letters I dont feel well I'm
sick got to work all the same
Wells sowed O'Rourke's Voltie planted
potatoes got them of Ebbs Johny helped
work in teh field to day Johny plante
butter beans at noon in his garden
I planted some early corn in a
pan That Spaff gave Wells this morning
when he came over to get peas Will
went to Niles for seed potatoes & caller
coming back he brought them on
his shoulder I baked 5 loaves
bread hens laid 10 eggs to day
Turkeys two

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Tuesday 26th A very pleasant
A.M. The river calm Volty went
across the river for seed potatoes at
Bob. P.M. the wind blew strong
from south west Wells gone to
Kingston for seed peas came home quite
early & all night brought home 7 qrts
white beans for seed Welly choring
around home and making a pair of oarS
Johny plowed over on grang. A.M.
afternoon lounged around and cultivated
part of the garden Grace helped me
she is a good little daughter I did not
expect Volty home it was so cold and
the wind flew so but it was not
so rough towards dark & he came over
in Maryanne's punt could get no potatoes
but brought my Book and collected Welly
pay of shover and brought white lead and
paint oil Uncle James gave him buoys
and leads for a fish net and flower seed
a card for Grace duck eggs harvest pear
crafts and Rob gave him some onions
and 150 strawberries plants the Wilsons
We got 13 eggs to day 2 Turkeys eggs,
I used 1 John Niles went to Gannonoque
butter
Grace planted some peas & beans in her
garden

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I finished Grace color and patched
Johns shirt darned three pair of socks

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Wednesday 27th A clear bright day
rather cold froze last night Wells
and Johny working in the field
Volty working in the garden Welly
painting his punt I churned
got fifteen eggs to day used two
1 Turkey set up another colar
Trying to get ready for Kingston
Tomorrow

Thursday 28th A clear bright
morning. rose early and eat
a piece of bread and butter and started
for Kingston market with butter &
eggs and not a cent to pay my fare
Volly drove over to the dock. first drove
down for Will & Jen and They not ready
it took so long for them to get ready
Volty drove off and left them John
Morgan stayed there that night and
all day Thursday We went up on
The Maud and came home on the
princess rather dull day in town
Mrs Thornton very sick can see
no one except their family & the doctor
I knit on Grace collar Wells worked in
the field Boys all worked in field

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Welly made oars for Joe Bissonette
Hens lay 13 eggs, & three turkey's eggs
Volty drove over to dock for me
with the farm waggon and I and
Jen rode home on buck board
Grace kept house and had
supper ready when I came home
Wind changed from South and was
blowing from north when we came to
the dock loudy and commenced
to rain when we got home and
rained all night Patterson
folks got a new girl baby
snow over in Breakeys bay
yet and along in numerous
places on the south side of Howe
Island

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Friday 29 A rainy morning
wind north and strong rained
all night & all day. Caught a
tub & barrel full of water Volty moved
all the things out of the small room
and took up the carpet and tore
off all the lose plastering Wells
pattered around the barn and mended
old harness. got another cow come
in 19 nineteen eggs to day &
1 turkey egg Welly went down
to Wellington's & stayed all night
Volty Went to Mary Anne's to
see about weaving carpet

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Saturday 30th A clear bright day
wind north west blowing strong
Welly went down to Ebb with
his punt Wells John & Volty building
fence Volty got some potatoes
from Niles Johny went over to
Bells [~~strikethrough~~] minute [~~/strikethrough~~]. 17 eggs to day used
two Jen came for oats for her cow
Mary anne and adda here Jen
and Will came up in the evening
for milk I baked 5 loaves of
bread a letter from Hugh

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May 1st Sunday A very fine
day quite warm very light wind
south Wells Grace and I go over to
Bells and find them all well
had a good visit and drove home
towards evening Charleys father mad
because they would'nt let Old
Mitchel dig a well had'nt been
home but a few minutes when Will
came up with mother They had a
row down There Mother and Jen
quarreling all day commenced about the babys
shirt I am sick of of it all
sive Hattie Will Cornwell & Bissonette
came over Joe got his oads and eat
dinner to Wills. Will went to church
quarterly meeting to day 11 eggs
to day I used 2 Snub says
his father lost 17 dollars Thursday

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Monday 2nd A very warm
day light wind south Mother went
down home & brought up her night
dress and cloth for her new dress
they said She tried to get out of the
punt to drow herself Wells and
Volty & Johny working in the fieled
sowing and cultivating oats
P.M. Volty planted potatoes in
the garden & sowed tomatoes &
cabbage seed Welly went to help
Will set his fish net and brought home
some pickerel & bull head Mother
knitting on Grace stocking Grace went
to Mrs Niles and played with the
children till most dark I washed.
17 eggs and used 3 fried
cakes made custard pies and
boiled beef Jane gave Grace
onions and horse radish got another
new milk's cow The wind rising
and looks like rain Jen went with
The boys Will & Welly in the boat down
to Mackays Old Mr Gillespie very sick
[strikethrough] I churned & fried cakes and baked beans. [/strikethrough]

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Teusday 3rd A fine bright day
wind South grass growing
frogs singing. Wells & Johnny working
in the field Volty working in
the garden planting potatoes and
grafting & setting onions Welly moving
fish net I colored carpet rags orange
Grace helping around the house and
sewing Mother half sick and
gone to bed. Volty went to Mr
Niles for more potatoes Chicago
market. Boys i.e. Will Welly and
Volty gone this evening to Sulivans
bay setting net and spearing fish
Johnny gone to bed early 18 eggs to
day Wells said there is frost in
the ground where he was plowing to day

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Wednesday 4th A fine bright
day South wind Wells and
Volty working on the field
Johny working in the garden
made 3 beds and sowed radish
seeds Welly went to the corners
and got a plow point & a pair
of pants for himself he said
Wells' aunt Nancy was burned to
day Ada Walkins called this
afternoon going to John Niles
& stoped coming abck & Volty has
gone down the road with her towards
home Grace cried because I would
not let her go to Nile's to play
croquet Grace sewed on her apron
I baked 5 loaves of bread
I got 15 eggs and used two
I have not got much butter
to carry to market tomorrow
Mother sewing carpet rags
Welly & Volty just come home
& brought two fish a pickerel and
chub took them from the net
I churned baked beans & fried cakes

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Thursday 5th A fine warm day
wind south went to Kingston
as usual eggs elevent cts and sold
my butter for 18 cts per pound Jane
sold hers for 15 & 16 she had 38 lbs
I sold my butter to Henderson
and my eggs to an old man
and went away up past Montreal
Bank to get my money for them
the old man carried my basket and
another full basket. an old woman
went along and carried another basket
The old lady said she lived at
Cataraqui she over 70 years old
The Operatie band of musicians
were marching in town to day and
playing They will perform in the opera
house to night saw Mog Bullger
on the boat to day we went up on
the Maud and came back on the Princess
Mrs Jane Woodman went up too Will Dixon
went also 13 eggs to day I didnt get
much news to day Mrs Thornton very sick
all summer so Mrs Morgan said
Volty went to Obriens to night to
get a grafting knife made

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Friday 6th some what cloudy
wind north but quite warm
Will caught last night and to day
25 pickerel and Welly made a fish
pound and carried it over to Mitchels
bay and put the fish in it. Wells
getting in oatd [sic] Johny worked in
garden [~~strikethrough~~] seed beets and [~~/strikethrough~~]
sowed beets seed
and parsnip worked in field this afternoon
Thundered last night Welly went
across the river to Spinks to get his money
that Spink owes him Tilly & George Niles
here this evening John gone to bed
Volty gone over to the bay to help
Will run the net Welly has not got
back yet Welly is half sick Grace is
not well Mother has got a sore throat
and I have sore eyes 18 eggs to
day I used two + churned + anotehr
new milks cow + It thunders again
to night & lightens

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Saturday 7th A fine day some
cloudy light wind north Wells gone
for seed wheat
to Kingston Volty grafting for
George Gillespie Will and John
Pesbit went to the Cape with fish
Welly came home from Spinks and
went to Niles to get fish net carried
back & brought the net John
went to the field for whiffletree and
drew me a barrel of watter and drew
two or three loads of banking from the
house then went too help Welly
draw his net to the bay mother
is sewing rags Gracie is sewing
and helping me. I baked 5 loaves
of bread washed a lot of clothes and
scrubed 4 rooms and got 3 square meals
26 eggs to day I gave Will 6 egg.
I received a letter from Rachel and
mother got one from Maud Wells got one
from Hugh. a big one. Hugh never
forgets to write Welly came home and brought
me some peach and a large pickerel
no rain set a hen on turkeys
eggs
1 used 2 eggs.

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Sunday 8th A very bright warm day Charley came over and brought Bell and the children and then drove back to go to Old Mrs Forbes Funeral & drove back again for them in the evening Welly and Volty sowed around the foot with the punt Wells went to bed and had a long nap in the afternoon Johny reading all day mother and Belle reading part of the time Grace playing with Marjorie Belle read all Grace letters from Maud Rachel and rene I prepared the dinner and supper Grace gathered 11 eggs and Volty found 14 more under the barn. no rain yet. Will came up and brought little Charley I used 5 eggs I gave the boys six for lunch

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Monday 9th A very bright warm
day wind changed from north to south
wind light heat intense = mean all
glad to put on their straw hats
Welly out fishing all night gone
down to paint the light house Ebb
Joslin and Wellington Burnham brought
our apple trees this morning Wells is
sowing [~~crossed-out~~] grain [~~/crossed-out~~] wheat to day Volty and
John is helping too Jen has gone up
to Mrs Niles this after noon to make
a visit Well helps her carry the baby
came back and stoped and mother went
down home with him no rain yet
I have nearly gone to sleep two or
three times writing this Grace has been
washing Grace brought in 18 eggs I
used four to make a custard I churned
brought in another egg Volty came
home early and planted the sweet
corn he and charly Woodman
have gone fishing this evening at
Sullivans Bay Wells didnt come home
mother came back At before dark
Jen down home in the boat with
a half dozen youngones besides grace
and sam's hired girl a very warm
night
[on the side] and still fish lights out [~~/on the side~~]

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Teusday 10th A fine bright day
no rain and no sign of any
Wells and Volty working in the
field Johny clearing ~~at~~ ~~out~~ the door
yard Welly looking after his nets
he brought me a pike and we had
it for supper, Woodmans boys & Niles
here in the evening John went over to
the bay and didn't get home 'Till
2 O'clock at night only nine eggs
to day I gave Welly four for
lunch and used one for cake
mother knit on Grace stocking
Grace went down to stay all night
with Jen. Wind changed to north
in the night I wrote a letter to Maud

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Wednesday 11 A very bright
day wind north no rain
Wells sowing wheat and John
drwging it in Volty digging
holes for apple trees Welly came
home slept awhile and went to paint
the light house Grace stepped on a
nail and hurt her foot John
brought home a pike from the bay
last night and I had it for dinner.
only ~~8~~ ~~10~~ eggs to day I used 5
I churned and baked two loaves of
bread and two custard pies I wrote
a letter to Rachel
Thursday 12 A pleasant day no
sign of rain Wells and Boys
finished sowing wheat Volty drove
over to dock I went to Kingston on
the pierpont and back on her-
mother and grace kept
house saw ~~Ol~~ ~~Mr Gologoly~~
and Mrs plaid shall Mrs
Gologly said her baby is eleven
days old Jim Driscol aboard
drunk and disorderly his wife
called him a d-d fool I bought
4 loaves of bread Wind north

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our hens laid 10 eggs to day
used 3 John came after me
Will went to Kingston too and
bought a hundred rods of fish
net came home and set them
Mrs All Berry went up on the boat
Friday 13 A fine day Wind north
no rain trees all leaving out
Wells and Boys putting in barley
After noon Volty set fruit trees
14 apple trees and greely plum
tree Grace cant [~~crossed-out~~] spp [~~/crossed-out~~] step
on her foot yet Volty and John
gone out this evening Welly and
Will fishing mother took a
long nap this after noon
26 eggs to day river as still
and clear as glass not a ripple
on the river tugs and tows
and a steamamboast pressing
up and down all the time

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Saturday 14 A fair day wind
south no rain Wells went
to Kingston to milk Welly
fishing Volty finished selling
apple trees and cleaned cellar
Johny drew water from river
and drew the banking away
from around the house. I set
milk in the cellar to night Mary
Walkins called about the carpet and
then went to Niles Charley Woodman
Volty and Johny went spearing
fish stayed all night till broad
day light came home lunched
milked the cows went to bed and
slept untill three O'clock Sunday
P.M. They brought nearly a
wash tub full of fish suckers perch
& bullheads 12 eggs to day
Ebb called wants I should write
for On the St Lawrence. I said
yes

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Sunday 15th A fair day no rain.
Welly came home and brought perch
which he caught in his nets Wells
read all A. M. and after dinner
went to bed Will Cornwell and
Sylvia Jane came over stayed awhile
at Sams and went back Volty and
Johny abed most all day Grace went
[crossed-out] to Wills [/crossed-out] and gahteree flowers Tilly
and Shelly came & went with Grace
to Jen's for pepper after dinner
mother went home & after a while
grace went too. Stayed awhile came
back and jen with her mothers and
Jen did'ent speak Jen and the baby
stayed all night John went to
Niles in evening & Volty to Wills
25 eggs to day used one
Wells set a turkey on 16 eggs
Edy Bates brought the manuscript
paper and envelopes for On The
St Lawrence

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Monday 16 A fine day no rain
but smokey Wells Volty and
Johny working in field getting in
barley Will & welly went to cape
with fish I gave them six eggs
for lunch Wells set a Turkey on
16 eggs this morning I churned
8 lbs butter finished Grace's skirt
John & Voltie came home to the sound
of the dinner horn and brought a
bag full of greens dandelions
2 19 eggs to day used one
and Welly 6 baked 5 loaves
bread John brought another
bag of dandelions when he
came up to milk the cows [~~crossed-out~~] coute [~~/crossed-out~~]

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Teusday 17th fine day wind
with no rain smokey weather
Wells and boys working in field
19 eggs to day Jen and
mother dont speak our cats
get in the cellar every night and
cant get out again and lick the
cream of the milk We got another
lamb Grace went to Mrs Niles to
get her sun bonnet cut
Wednesday 18th fine day no rain
Wells working in field wind south
Welly came home Jen came up
for step ladder Welly her carry it
home 20 eggs to day peace is
declared between mother and Jen
They have hung out the flag of
truce for 40 days Grace churned
twice to day and washed John
drew me a barrel of water

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Thursday 19th fair day very
chilly no rain wind south
Went to Kingston Volty drove carried
me to dock in the morning &
came for me at night saw
Jim Matier in his soldier
uniform with red stripe up
sides of his breeches with little
round cap trimmed with gold band
stuck on one side of his head he
looked like a puppet Old Mary
Ranous came down on the boat and
Old Mrs duggin too we brought
her over to Wills butter sold
quick to day for 20 cts Mrs
Kit Irvine went to town along
with Mrs Horn I was so tired
when I came home I went straight
to bed after supper Volty worked
in garden Will carried fish to market
gave Ebb the news Welly gave
Volty a fish 12 eggs used 8
bought a loaf of bread

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Friday 20th A clear warm day no
rain wind South We had
fish for dinner Welly came home &
gave me, 75 cts Wells has finished
sowing grain Volty and John
plowed more in garden I churned
and washed Will came up for butter
Sams hired girl Tilly Welly and
George here Mrs Woodman here
Volty Johny and George gone fishing
old mare had a colt and old white
[crossed-out] and [/crossed-out] cow had a calf 18 eggs
Saturday 21st A [crossed-out] clear [/crossed-out] very warm
day very light wind South
smokey no rain Wells gone
to Kingston Devolson & John
working in garden all day
Welly fishing Grace and
done house work Received a letter
from Rachel, Grace one from
Maud 13 eggs used three
Volty & John went fishing this evening
and stayed till half past
four this morning got a wash tub full
[on side] baked 5 loaves bread 2 eggs brok [/on side]

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22nd wind south

Sunday A brigh warm day

no rain didnt get up very

early done our work leisurely

and lounged around just as

we pleased Henry & Sandy

came over Grace went over to

Bells with them eggs was not

gathered Afternoon I took a nap

Boys at home most all day

Monday 23rd ~~old~~ /~~monday~~ here

again A bright day wind south

blowing fresh no rain A. M. Welly

and Edy Bates went to Cape with

fish Volty worked in garden. A.M.

P.M. went to help Will set nets

Wells and Johny worked in field

in P.M. wind all gone down river

as still as glass churned twice worked

hard all day very tired Welly came home

while Johny milking down by the shore

and sent me a lot of cakes

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Teusday 24th wind south and
strong rather cloudy Barometer
falling fast a black cloud rising
rain quite hard by dinner time and
poured all the afternoon a good rain
grand rain glorious rain
we churned again John moved his
bed. I slept two hours I am sleepy
now I was going to write to Rachel
I, so sleepy I cant I go to bed
Wednesday 25th A beautiful day
after the rain light wind south
every thing growing finely Volty worked
in Garden A.M. Wells plowed a little
more in field P M picking up stone
John working around wheeling out
manure on wheelbarrow John set a hen
in the woodpile baked 5 loaves bread
churned Welly cut George Nile's hair
I wrote Rachel

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Thursday 26 A fine day wind
south a fine breeze I went to
Kingsotn on Princess Sylve Hattie
I Ada and Kate Phillips went
also Bill Malony and wife & two
children Bell went too & Mrs Hattie
I went to see Mrs Thornton to
day Jen went up I lought cabbage
plants Belle bought some things
at Waldrons which were to have been
sent to the boat but were not
there A full market but rather
dull Grace came home on the boat
with me from Hollidays

Tuday 27th A fine day wind
south Grace [~~strikethrough~~] po [~~/strikethrough~~] moped pantry and
kitchen. Wells went down to Wellington
to get lumber to fit his old buggy
came back & stoped at Will Woodmans
bee

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January 1st 1887

" 5 lbs sugar ,30

" 3 " soda biscuit ,25

" 2" rice ,10

" 1 led pencil ,02

" 1 set of knitting needles ,04

Jan 11th one pair of book for Wells \$2,25

15th 2 bags of coal ___ ,60

" 2 gallon of kerosene ___ ,30

" 5 lbs sugar _____30

" 2 spools white thread ___ ,10

" mustard ___ ,10

" ginger _____,10

" 1 yd of elastic ___ ,05

22nd 2 bags of coal ___ ,60

2 " " ... 60

5 lb of sugar ... ,30

1" tea ... ,20

cinnamon ... ,05

2 lbs raisins ... ,16

1 box matches ... ,10

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Saturday 28th A fine day wind
south warm and pleasant every
thing growing nicely Wells went
to Kingston when he came he
brought the goods left on the boat
from Waldrons Boys hoeing
in garden all fore noon & played
ball in our pasture in after noon
Letter from Victor V

Sunday 29th A very fine day wind
north I expected bell but she did
not come we sent Johny to Mr
Niles' to borrow his buggy, thinking we
would drive over to Bells with her
parcel but buggy was broke Received
the first copy of "On The St Lawrence"
we cooked two old hens for dinner
They are scratching up our garden
mother came up and stayed a little while
Wells went to bed he drops his
paper frequently Volty went fishing
[sideways] and stayed [/sideways]

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Jan 26th

one bag of coal... ,30 ct

Feb 1st 1887

diamond dye ___ ,10

" 2 qrts syrup ___ ,30,

" 10 lbs sugar ___ ,60,

" 1 box yeast ... , 10'

" 1 lb tea ... 20

" 1 bag of coal ... , 30

" 1 " " "

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\$ 1.90

Feb 4 2 lbs raisins ___ ,16

" 1/4 " pepper ___ ,10

" " " allspice ___ ,10

" " " cinnamon ___ ,10

" " " spelling book ___ ,30

" snuff ___ 05

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\$ 0,81

7th 1 bag of coal ,30

2 slate pencils , 01

12th one lb tea ,20

2 " cheese ,30

3 lemons ,08

15th 10 lbs sugar 60

5 " currants 40

1 spool of Black thread ,05

16th 1 lb of cheese 15

2 gallons of kerosene ,25

2 bags of coal ,60

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62 one bottle of quick medicine

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\$1,00

Monday 30 A fine day Wind
north Welly & Will went to Cape
with fish 300 hun lbs Volty came
home at 3 O'clock two morning and
brought a big cat fish weighted
ten lbs Volty sick all day
I doctored him for colio I churned
over eleven lbs butter and worked
a quill Johny hoed in garden
Grace helped around the house
hens scratching up every thing
Tilly came down visiting at dark
Grace went as far as the old pine
with her Wells drew stone off from
the new piece

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February 21st 1887

1 scrubbing Book ,05

3 lamp chimneys ,15

for mending two tin pails ,15

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23rd ,35

Votleis School Books \$1,05

25th a peck of onions ,30

5 lbs currants ,40

1 bag of coal 30

26th

10 sugar ,60

1 tea 20

March 1st 1887

1 bag of coal ___ ,30

1 bottle cough medicine ___ ,25

1 box soda biscuits _____ ,25

1 dozen fish ___ ,12

10 lbs corn meal ___ ,34

1 pound of tea ___ 25

2nd 7 1/2 yds gingham Clayton at 7 cts ,53

10 bars of soap ,25

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Tuesday 31st last day of May
A fine day wind east blowing
fresh Wells drawing stone while
heifer got a calf Grace went to
Mr Niles for sheep shers Volty Welly
and Will ~~helped~~ sheared sheep
John helped too our hens are
scratching up all our garden
Wells croped one wing so they
cant fly Grace made her sun
bonnet I patched Johns pants
our boys gone up to sams this
evening I wrote to Victor

June 1st

Wednesday A fine day wind south
I churned twice and made 21 butter
prints, wrote for the paper Wells drew
stone says our peas are in blossom
Volty and John worked in garden
Will and Welly came up awhile
and went off fishing Volty help
me search parlor

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March 3rd 1887

corners Johny

2 galons kerosine ... ,25

1 copy book ... ,12

1 paper pins ... ,05

1 " needles ... ,05

2 lbs cheese ... ,24

1 table cloth ... ,50

1 pair pants _ _ _ 2,25

1 cloud ... 1,00

7 1/2 yds skirting ... 1,00

1 sppl white thread ... ,10

1 bag of coal ... 30

10th 10 lbs sugar ... 60

" ~~5~~ " [indecipherable] ... ~~,70~~ [/~~strikethrough~~]

5 " currants ... ,40

19 bars of soap ,25

1/2 lb pepper ,15

1 pair of boots for John 3,00

1 pair of shoes for Grace 1,00

1 lb of tea from Farrel 20

1 bag of coal ,30

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Apr one bag potatoes from Ebb
18th one " " " Niles
June 1 1887 9 weat
Thursday June 2nd A fine morning
wind south cloudy in afternoon
rained hard all afternoon and evening
I went to Kingston Volty drove over
to wharf, old Mrs duggin went too &
Will we drove down to Will's for them
Had to unlet & put up 5 pair bars. We
carried our old couch to get it upholstered
Mrs Woodman went to town, the Glallespie
family all had their "pictur took" to
day in group Mrs Houston no
better I carried Bell her parcel and
a dozen turkeys eggs I was very Tired
sold my butter to Tohey Visited with old
Mrs Lowry Volty & Johny came for me
somebodys fish was in my basket
I cooked it got somebody's chees too
eat that up I picked it up beside our
waggon thought T'was mine if I find who
it belongs too Ill buy it again for them 10 O clock
and I an awful sleepy

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March 25. 1887

Tomatoe seed

2 lbs tea ,60

4 galons kerosene 50

1 box of writing paper 12 1/2

1 lb tea 20

17 lbs sguar 100

3 lemons ,05

1 soda ,10

April 16 = 17 lbs sugar 100

" " 1 lb tea 30

2 packages diamond dye 20

5 lbs codfish ,15

3 pa garden seeds cabbage. rad.let.

2 spools Thread 10

1 matches

23rd 1 broom ,20

snuff 05

tobaco ,40

26 8 qrts white beans ,40

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Friday 3rd A cloudy morning
warm wind south every thing
green and flourishing Most forgot
what I done let me see now- if
I can think- Wells & John drew stone
Volty hoed in garden. I cut and
fited Grace dress lining. Jen came up
for lard. In afternoon Wells worked
on the buggy
Saturday 4th. A beautiful day sun
shining clear and bright Wells went to
Kingston I churned & moped and
baked & washed Volty & John hoed in
garden Wells came home and brought the
hine but did'nt get barbed wire
Sunday 5th A foggy morning cleared up bright
clear & warm Grace went to sunday school
Charlie Belle and the children came over
cooked chickens and had a pot pie. mother
Will and Jen came up Bell knit two pairs of
stockings and gave them to little Charlie
Welly came and brought some fish.

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April 28th

fare on boat — ,25

1 soda ... ,10

3 yds print ... ,21

1 tea ... ,20

5 sugar — ,30

1 diamond dye — ,10

1 stockings — ,10

5 yds cotton — ,25

3 lemmons — ,15

1 letter ,03

top onions ,16

1 led pencil ,01

1 dinner ,05

4 garden seeds — ,20

toll — ,01

brought home ,26

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\$2,38

5th fare on boat ,25

ay 5 sugar ,30

3 prunes ,25

5 rice ,25

sweet corn ,10

grace colar ,10

dinner ,11

toll ,01

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Mary 7th 8 lbs sugar \$,50

" " 1" Tea . 30

" " 2 bags potatoes 1,75

" 12 boat fare – ,25

" " toll ,02

" " 1 pencil ,01

" " 5 sugar ,30

" " 5 currant ,40

" " 1 Tea ,20

2 lard ,25

4 loaves bread ,20

3 Candy ,02

1 nail ,05

snuff ,05

mailing two letter .06

1 plug tobaco ,05

squash seeds ,10

onion seeds ,10

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\$2,11

luncheon 05

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\$2,16

Saturday 14 one bag potatoe 1,00

2 pair overalls 2,00

1 lbs Tea ,30

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May 18 boat fare ,25
5 sugar — ,30
5 rice — ,25
1 soda — ,08
14 pepper — ,06
dates — ,05
lunch — ,05
shows for Grace — 1,25
hat for " — 1,26
bread — ,05
2 cucumber seed — ,10
1 newspaper — ,10
1 stockings for Grace ,05
1 thread — 0.8
1yd ribbon for Grace ,02
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2,80
21 Saturday 1 box yeast 10
26th boat fare — 25
toll 01
postage 09
[crossed-out] 8 sugar [/crossed-out 25
corn meal ,20
dates .10
stockings .10
Tin pail .10
brooch .15
two combs 09
tobaco 10

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May 26 Cabbage plants ,25

geranium ,10

3 toilet soap ,07

1 matches ,05

3 handkerchiefs ,15

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[crossed-out] 8 sugar .45 [/crossed out] .65

1 soap for Belle 1,34

balance on stockings for Belle ,07

8 sugar ,05

2 apples 48

2 lard Ralph M Coolbaugh

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\$2,56

apples 04

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dinner 2,90

lard ,25

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2,85

,15

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3,00

Monday 6th cloudy drizzling rainy day

wind south Wells working away on the

old buggy Welly Johny & Well gone to Cape

with fish Volty went across The river about

wool came back & went up the Island and

down the road to buy wool Grace and I

and wash we are expecting visitors

Boys are afraid Steele will steal their nets

Rachel and Nelly came across about 6 O clock

P.M. to mothers

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