

D I A R Y

of J E S S I E G E D D E S

and a S E R M O N

by her husband

J A M E S G E D D E S

DIARY

- 1870 June Edinburgh: Catherine Wares Sutherland (aged 6 months) died here this evening at ten o'clock.
- 1877 Sep 6 Midlothian P. O. Muskoka, Ontario,
We came to this country Sep 6.
- 1882 Oct Uncle Willie (Catherine's husband) died.
- 1884 Aunt Mary Ann (Mrs. Murray) died.
- 1885 Dec 17 Grandma Geddes died - aged 78
- 1886 Auntie Geddes died - aged 81
- 1887 Mrs. Flett & Aunt Ellon, and Aunt Annie, Isabbel.
- 1892 Dec Grandfather Geddes died - aged 81
- 1892 Sep My sister left for Toronto, (Mrs. Sutherland)
She has been keeping well, and her girl's well.
- Nov I took sick.
- 1894 June Alex Goodall died.
- 1895 Feb Mrs. Stuart died.
- Aug 10 Grandma Wares died - aged 80.
- Nov Christine (Mrs. Morris) died - aged 60
- Nov Willie Simpson was drowned
- Nov Frank Blashill died.
- 1896 Jan Mrs. Goodall died
- Feb Mrs. David Best died
- Feb John Mather died

1896	Apr	I feel much stronger and able to knit and sew.
	Jun	We had Mr. Grant and family with us for a night.
	Aug.	Baby Goodall died.
1897	Apr	I am getting better but not strong. Lyla came home and nursed me.
	Apr	I am able to be going around but not strong.
	May	Malcolm Morris died.
	July	We had Mr. Hebener and family for 2 months.
	Aug	Father and I went to Toronto and were three weeks with my sister, Mrs. Sutherland. We enjoyed ourselves so much. The girls and she was so kind to us. I feel so much better of the change.
1898	Jan 27	Got a letter from Malcolm. He had not been well with a sore throat.
	Feb	Katie came to see us. She has been three months now and felt so much better.
	Apr 5	Sent to Auntie 15 dollars.
	Apr 14	Sent to Auntie 25 dollars.
	May	Lizzie came home just for four weeks. She looks well. Katie and she is enjoying themselves.
	July	We had Mr. Hebener and family and Mr. Parks and family for two months. We had 2 servants. Maggie Miller and Minnie Mather and my neice Katie Sutherland was with us and still is. I feel so much stronger.
	Aug 15	Daniel left for the North West.
	Sep 4	We have got two letters from him he does not think much of the country there.
	Sep 16	Sent to Auntie 20 dollars.
	Oct 1	Malcolm left Myrtle, Ontario.
	Oct 5	Minnie Mather came to us.
	Oct 15	We expect Dan home in two or three weeks.

1898 Oct 16 Malcolm left for Toronto. He is with Mr. Headson's family.

Oct 18 We all went to Starrats to a Tea Meeting. The same night we got a letter from Dan.

Oct 19 The came from Mr.

Oct 20 Criss Brant came and she and Mary are working in the turnips. Katie came over with some today. We killed a sheep today. Katie and I has got this black waiste finished and the brown skirt and quilt and cushions.

Oct 24 Posted a letter to Mal and to Dan.

Oct 26 Finished Katie's print dress and white petticoat. I have made three pairs of mitts and two pairs of socks this fall.

Oct 27 Minnie got 2 lbs yarn grey & blue.

Oct 27 The ground is covered with snow and James & Katie has gone for a drive. James to the Falls and Katie to Midlothian.

Oct 28 Mr. Lamb from the Falls had dinner with us.

Oct 29 We got two baggs of flour we have started to make Katie's blue dress.

Nov 1 Finished Katie's blue dress - got two baggs of potatoes from Mr. Blackmore. Mrs. William&Edith was visiting us yesterday. James banked up the house today.

Nov 3 Mrs. Johnston paid 28 dollars today. James is drawing turnips. Katie has gone to Midlothian for a visit.

Nov 5 Criss Brant went home. We had a letter from Malcolm last night. We expect the Thrashers today but the rain stopped them.

Nov 8 The Thrashers has just left. They had four meals with us and one night with us. Father and James has gone over to Uncle's with them. No letter from Dan this three weeks. Katie was up at Midlothian two days.

Nov 9 Katie went up to Midlothian with James.

Nov 10 I have made two pairs mitts this week for Minnie. She was washing today. Katie wrote to Mal & posted today.

Nov 11 Daniel came home today we are so delighted to see him.

Nov 12 Daniel shot a fine deer in the lake. James and he are busy drawing straw and fixing up for the winter.

1898 Nov 15 Ben shot two deer today. Father went up to the Falls and James went up to Mr. Ireland's to help him. We got a letter from Malcolm with 10 dollars in it. He started for the N.W. four days ago. He expects to be back in four weeks.

Nov 16 Minnie got 1 pair boots. 1 dollar.

Nov 19 Mr. Scott and Ada was down and staid all night.

Nov 20 Katie got her night gown finished.

Nov 22 Dan's trunk came the boys plowed the garden and I had a walk around the buildings.

Nov 23 Got a fall of snow. The boys and Father are working at the sheep pen flooring it.

Nov 26 Mrs. Wildfong and Berty came down for one night with us

Nov 28 Mrs. Wildfong was drawing oats to us. Katie and I took a walk up the road and ran into the boys fencing. The snow is mostly all gone.

Nov 29 Two of the Rowsells and Tom Gutredge and Ben came to have a skate on our ice.

Nov 30 Quite a fall of snow.

Dec 1 Still snowing. Katie has been at Midlothian for 2 days

Dec 4 Katie and Dan went to Doe Lake and the horse ran away. We had a card from Mal.

Dec 6 Mr. & Mrs. Wildfong left Midlothian for Preston then on to home.

Dec 8 Katie went up to Midlothian to practice for the Tea Meeting.

Dec 9 Minnie has a large washing preparing for Christmas.

Dec 14 Emily Johnston came to see us.

14 Mr. Steel came to see us, Mr. Cook's friend.

Dec 16 Tea Meeting at Midlothian. We were all there. They made 16 dollars.

Dec 18 James & Minnie has gone to Doe Lake to service.

Dec 20 Got a letter from Mrs. Wildfong.

Dec 26 Katie & Dan were at Doe Lake Tea Meeting.

1898 Dec 27 Baking and cleaning.

 Dec 28 Dan & Katie were at Mrs. Tom Simpsons for tea.

 Dec 29 We had our party. Uncle's family, the two Johnstons, Harry S and brother and Mr. Smith. We spent a very pleasant night.

 Dec 30 Sent a letter to Auntie and posted a letter to Malcolm. Got Christmas cards from Lizzie and a letter from Jessie Geddes in Edinburgh. At the annual meeting Father was appointed trustee in Mr. Rowsells's place.

1899 Jan 1 Father and Daniel has just gone to Sunday School and James and Minnie has crossed the lake with the mare. We watched them till they got on the other shore for this is the first time the horse has crossed the lake.

 Jan 2 We were all over at Uncle's and spent a pleasant night.

 Jan 3 I wrote to Mrs. Wildfong. Katie wrote four letters. One to Mrs. Park, Mrs. Hebener, Mamie Wildfong and Lizzie and Auntie.

 Jan 4 Killed the cow. It's rainy today. It's very stormy.

 Jan 6 I have been busy mending.

 Jan 8 James & Minnie has gone to Midlothian. Father and Dan has left to go to Spence & Magnetawan but I am afraid they may not reach for it is so stormy. Started to use our last bag of flour.

 Jan 10 James & Katie went to Magnetawan with Biff & Parks. Posted a letter to Mal and got one from Mrs. Flemmington.

 Jan 10 Mary has started to do the matt, and I have got my table matt done.

 Jan 11 Auntie fell down cellar and broke her ankle. Dr. Coughill came and set it. (Entry by someone else)

 Jan I got my ankle broken was three months in bead.

 Feb 10 Katie left for Toronto.

 Mar Mrs. Wood (Toronto) died.

 Mar 22 Katie was married to Joe Wildfong. Agnew Harleow came to us.

 Mar 18 Katie left for Winnipeg to go to Lizzie.

1899 Mar 22 Katie now married to Joseph Wildfong in Winnipeg at Ed & Lizzie's home. They are still there.

Apr Dan had to go to the hospital two weeks ago with a trouble in his face. James went this morning to the same hospital with the same trouble.

Apr Malcolm has gone to Guelph, Ont. to be foreman over the farm.

Apr 17 Mr. Ireland(Midlothian) died.

Apr 18 I am able to be down stairs and walking on crutches. I am knitting and sewing.

Apr 29 Head a fire wood bee.

May 1 The steam boat went down for the first time. The boys are plowing the garden today. I can walk on one crutch.

May 5 I finished my cushion.

May 6 Dan has got most of the garden finished. James has been plowing in the field this last three days and Father is painting the boat.

May 6 Posted a letter to Malcolm & Auntie.

May 8 We got a new little boat.

May 8 Father went by steamboat to Magnetawan.

May 10 7 little pigges.

May We have 23 lambs alive and 4 dead.

May 15 Posted a letter to Malcolm & Auntie.

May Elle Goodall was married to James Ireland at the Falls Katie was bridesmaid, Malcolm was best man.

May 24 Ada & Mr. Scott got married.

May 27 Posted a letter to Mal & Auntie & Katie.

May 27 Father went by steamboat to the Falles.

June Robert Mitchell died.

June 4 Posted a letter to Malcolm.

June 5 Got a letter from Katie & Joe. He has got no situation yet.

1899 June 9 Received a letter from Katie.

 June 11 I had a boat ride over to Uncle's place. I am still walking with one crutch.

 June 13 Posted a letter to Malcolm.

 June 14 Went to the Falles with wool.

 June 19 Father and Dan went to Guelph on the train. Mal is well. Saw Auntie.

 June 23 Dan left for Toronto.

 June 23 Got a letter from Katie. Joe has got a situation.

 June 25 James has gone to Mathers and Father has gone to Midlothian to Sunday School.

 July 1 The Parkes came here.

 July Crissie Goodall was married. We were all there except James

 July 1 Dan came back from Toronto and feels much better. He got his photos.

 July 5 The Hebeners came. We had a very busy summer. Maggie Miller was with us for 6 weeks.

 July 13 Shipped 4 cattle.

 July Had the Hebeners and Parkes with us.

 Aug Mrs. Blackmore got 3 lbs of butter 11 cents.

 Aug. 29 James our son was married to Minnie Mather at her Father's house. We were all there. Malcolm came to it also. James got married to Minnie Mather. We were all at the wedding. Malcolm came home on the 27 Sep so he was there also. He left on the 30 Sep. It was a nice quiet wedding.

 Aug 30 The boarders all left.

 Sep Mr. Johnson (Midlothian) died.

 Sep 12 They (James & Minnie) came back to us 2 weeks in Toronto. My sister was so kind to them. She gave them a nice parcel, table, and fancie chairs. Minnie got quite a few nice presents.

1899 Sep 17 James & Minnie has gone to Horn Lake to see her mother. Father has gone to Sprucedale to service and Dan and I are all alone in the house.

Sep Malcolm came to see us for two weeks.

Sep 21 Sent pail of butter to Auntie
Gave Mr. Scott 5 lbs butter.

Sep 25 Joe Noll came to us.

Sep 26 Minnie has put 8 lbs of butter in a crock. The crock is 6 lbs for Mr. Scott
Mrs. Scott got 5 lbs of butter 13 cents.

Oct 1 Mrs. Blackmore got 2 lbs of butter 14 cents.

Oct 2 Maggie Miller came to us. The Thrashers left us on the 3rd Oct. Father and Maggie were at the show at the Falls on the 4th Oct.

Oct 4 Father went to Guelph for a week.

Oct 5 Minnie I think is rather better. She was on the Lake yesterday. We head a letter from Katie.

Oct 14 Mrs. Ireland and Auntie Lizzie came to see us.

Oct 14 Mr. Hodgets came from SaintCatherines. He left on Oct 23 for home.

Oct 22 Minnie & James and Mrs. Mather and myself went to Spence for services. It was a cold drive. Minnie is much better.

Oct 23 Mrs. Blackmore got 4 lbs of butter 15 cents.

Oct 24 Dan went to Giserals raising of a house.

Nov 1 Had a letter from Auntie Waters
Mrs. Blackmore got 3 lbs of butter 16 cents

Nov 3 Dan has gone to the doctor.

Nov 4 James & Minnie went to Midlothian in the slay for the mail. We have got a fall of snow.

Nov 7 Got a letter from Katie and posted one to her the same day.

Nov 9 Maggie left and Louise Noll came to us.

Nov 11 Mrs. Blackmore got 2 lbs of butter 17 cents.
Mrs. Blackmore got 2 lbs of butter 11 cents.

1899 Nov 11 Got a letter from Mal. Father came from the Falls by the boat.

Nov 22 James is drawing stones to the warf. Dan has gone to a wood bee at Mr. Goodalls. Since the first of Oct I have got 3 night gowns one for Minnie and 2 shirts, 2 quilts remade. Minnie is much better and is out every day and doing light work.

Nov 24 Father has got to the falls. Mr. Blackat has come to see us. Posted a letter to Mrs. Wildfong (Preston) and one to Maggie M.

Nov 26 Got our oile can full

Nov 27 Killed the pigges. Got a bag of oat meal and a bagge of flower.

Nov 28 Lyla went to Toronto.

Nov 29 Had a letter from Katie she and Joe has taken up house.

Dec 1 Salted the pork. Minnie posted a letter to Katie. I posted one to Auntie. Sent 1 tub of butter to Sharp by the steamboat. James is plowing over at Mal's place today. Plowing and taking out stones.

Dec 3 Mrs. L. Simpson and Mr. Wilkison came to see us and spend a happy evening.

Dec 5 Mr. Scott came down for some of his money. Got 15 dollars. The lake is partly frozen over. Got a fall of snow the boys have been laying past the waggon and buggie and getting out the slays for sabbath.

Dec 6 The lake froze over.

Dec 8 The boys are clipping Prince.

Dec 9 Father is going to Magnetawan. The boys are looking for some timber in the woods to make a building for the cattle.

Dec 10 Louise Noll went home.

Dec 12 The lake was all open again and we got a letter from Katie and Joe and one from Auntie and from Malcolm He has sent the box.

Dec 25 Got presents from Mr. & Mrs. Heb ener for us all and from Lyla.

- 1899 Dec 15 The boys are cutting loges in the follow. Got their dinner up today. Minnie has gone out for a walk.
- Dec 19 Went to Mr. Grinton with a Beef and got 4 dollars goods.
- Dec 24 Got a letter and photo of their house from Katie.
- Dec 29 James & Minnie went to Horn Lake. We expect them home tonight.
- Salt for butter
 1 broom 2 tin pails
 10 yards flannel for night shirts
 6 yards cotine for quilt
 Dimend eies 1 green; 1 orange; 1 brown' 1 maroon
 suggar tea corn starch cheese soap
 egges syrup flower
- 1900 Jan 1 This is new Year's Day. It is a fine day. Dan & Father are drawing fence rails. We all went over to Uncle's in the evening in the large sleigh and spent a pleasant night.
- Jan 3 Minnie is keeping so well we are doing without a girl yet and getting on so well. Father and the boys are skidding fire wood
- Jan 4 Got a box of short kake from Auntie Jessie (Scotland) Got a letter from Auntie Katie. Got a letter from Malcolm and 15 dollars in it.
- Jan 5 Commenced to have family worship after supper.
- Jan 5 Posted a letter to Malcolm & Auntie.
- Jan 10 Mrs. Scott came to see us and Alice Anne Goodall was washing to us
- Jan 12 The boys and Minnie went to Starrats Tea meeting.
- Jan 14 Minnie has gone to see her sister Mrs. Morris. Dan has gone to Spence
- Jan 18 James has gone to Mr. Noys.
- Jan 20 Posted a letter to Uncle Willie Wick and to the Lawyer
- Jan 21 Minnie walked to Sunday School and walked home after evening meeting. The snow is nearly all gone.
- Jan 22 Posted to Jessie Geddes (Edinburgh) and to Irean Miller (Toronto)
- Jan 23 I went up to the yard and saw Dan working at the

timber for the barn.

- 1900 Jan 24 Minnie & Dan walked up to Midlothian. Minnie came back the next day.
- Jan 25 Mary Ledget died.
Mrs. Grace Tun died.
- Jan 26 Dan's halping James Rowsell to cut wood. It's very cold.
- Jan 29 Got a letter from Mal two days ago he head been sick in a week with a very sore throat. Better now. Quite a fall of snow.
- Jan 30 Posted a letter to Malcolm and Mrs. Waters and Auntie Minnie is keeping so well and is sewing and knitting James was home yesterday he is getting on well at Noys.
- Feb 1 Annie Goodall came and washed. We gave her 1 dollar. She will just have to get 50 cents next time. Since the first of January I have made 6 pairs of mittes and 3 was for Minnie.
- Feb 2 Joe & Dan has gone to their work in the swamp taking out seader.
- Feb 4 James & Minnie went home. Minnie came back on the 12th James came home with her.
- Feb 12 James & Dan has been drawing pine on the Lake.
- Feb Got a letter from Malcolm and one from Auntie.
- Feb 14 Got a letter from Katie and Dan. Got one from Ed James left for Noys today.
- Feb 17 I commenced to make the patched quilt. Posted to Auntie.
- Feb 19 Minnie commenced to make a matt. Jesse Goddes was in and Emma Rowsell.
- Feb 21 Mr. & Mrs. Leggat came to see us and Mrs. Noll Annie Goodall washed that day.
- Mar 4 Mrs. Mather came to see us.
- Mar 6 Posted 2 letters to Malcolm.
- Mar 8 Minnie finished her matt and Mrs. Blackmore and Mrs. Foreside came to see us. I have not been well so was in bead for one day.

1900 Mar 14 We have got 19 lambs and nine of these are dead and three sheep, quite a loss.

Mar 14 I am able to be up every day but not well my side and back is still sore. Had a letter from Auntie.

Mar 17 Head a letter from Malcolm.

Mar 18 Jamie Mather and Miss Leggat came to see us, James was home that day so he went back to the Noys in the afternoon.

Mar 19 I have been mending. I do not feel very strong yet.

Mar 21 James left Noys.

Mar 25 James & Minnie has gone home. Father has gone to Spence. Dan & I are alone in the house. Dan's face is not much better.

Mar 25 Posted a letter to Mal & Joe.

Mar 28 Made over my bonnet.

Mar 31 Dan went to see the Doctor.

Apr 1 Dan's face very bad. Father has gone down to preach at Ammic Harbour.

Apr 3 Dan no better. He and Father and James left this morning to go to the Falles and Huntsfield Hospitle.

Apr 3 Pursy Foresith came.

Apr 4 Posted a letter to Malcolm

Apr 5 I dreamed about Dan & Mal last night I do not feel strong at all. I am making a white shaker flannel night shirt. Annie Goodall is washing today. James is drawing loges out of the swamp.

Apr 6 James left this morning for the alles with a load of oats. Father came home in the fore noon He came by stage. Dan no better yet he is in bed.

Apr 7 James went to Magnetawan and got boom chains and posted a letter to Dan. Got a letter from Auntie.

Apr 8 Pursy Foresith left us. Mr. Blackmore paid the butter today.

Apr 8 Got 33 lambs

Apr 10 James has gone to the Falls. Posted a letter to Dan.

1900 Apr 11 The snow is nearly all gone and I went out around the house. It is three months since I was out before. I do not feel strong. James has gone to James Irelands wood bee.

Apr 12 Got a letter from Dan he was much the same. Head not got his face treated, just poltested. Got a letter from Mal with 40 dollars. Going to send Dan 25. Got a letter from Katie. Sent a letter to Mal & Dan with 25 dollars in it

Apr 14 Head our wood bee. Got 14 cords cut. Got two letters from Dan. We have 37 lambs and 16 dead. James has gone to the Falls to see the doctor. Posted a letter to Dan and to Auntie. Dan is getting better.

Apr 17 James has gone to Rowsells word bee.

Apr 18 Got 34 lambs and 20 dead.

Apr 19 James has gone to Huntsville. Posted a letter to Mal and Katie. Davie came to help us today.

Apr 21 Davie has gone home to their wood bee. The house seems so very dull when our boys are both away.

Apr 23 Posted a letter to Dan and to Auntie. Moved the stove.

Apr 24 Got a letter from Dan. Expect him home this week. Lake opened up.

Apr 26 The Glenrose went up to the falls. Minnie's sowing the siddes. Daniel came home today. His face is much better.

Apr 30 Shipped oats from Mr. Sharp. Posted a letter to James and Auntie.

May 1 Tom Gutredge has come to help us. Dan getting better.

May 3 Dan planted potatoes in the garden.

May 4 Posted a letter to Mal & James. Annie G. came to wash and Jennie Bolton (Mather) stayed all night with us.

May 5 Dan put Minnie across the Lake it was so stormy. Mr & Mrs Scott came down at night.

May 6 Sabbath. Dan & I are all alone. Father went to Spence and Croft.

May 9 Got a letter from James. Dan got one from Katie and Joe.

1900 May 10 I commenced Minnies nappor and hemmed my skirt.

May 11 Minnie got a box of plants from Malcolm.

May 12 Got a letter from Auntie and from Katie.

May 13 Minnie felt a change.

May 14 Posted a letter to James & Malcolm and C. Cook.

May 14 James came home but goes back today for a week.

May 26 James came home he is much better.

May 28 We expect Mrs. Hebener tomorrow.

May 29 Posted to Mal & Auntie and Katie. 70¢ from Grenton.

May 30 Father got \$7.37 of groceries from Sharp.

May 30 Robert Coppy came to clip the sheep. Dan has gone to Goodalls logging bee. He was yesterday at Ford's logging.

June 6 Minnie spent the day with Mrs. Scott.

June 8 Dan went to Spence and was in Inches. Came home at 12.

June 11 Had a party for Lyla on 26th. She leaves on 29th.

June 12 Mamie Wildfong came to see us. She was with us for more than a week.

June 14 Mrs. Mather was visiting us.

Sep Mr. & Mrs. Hebener left for Toronto. We have been so very busy these last three months I have got no time to write in my diary. Auntie is quite a help in the house. She does all the washing.

Oct Dr. Corell died.

Oct 6 Baby Jessie was born. She is a fine strong child. Mrs. Mather was with us for 4 weeks. We do the work ourselves.

Nov 1 Minnie is getting stronger.

Dec 1 Mrs. Lawson (Midlothian) died.

1901 Jan Maggie Leggatt was married to James Mather.

Feb It is nearly four months since I have got any story in my diary. Jan 2 Jessie G left for Winnipeg.

Feb 3 We are keeping well. James and Dan has got coldes but is getting better. Auntie had a letter from Lyla. She has been three months in Toronto and is feeling rather stronger. James has been drawing logs for night this last two weeks. Dan has been at Mr. Rowsells for a week. Minnie is keeping well and so is baby. Minnie baby and James were away last week visiting her Fathers folks. Auntie and I have been busy sewing and making cushions and quilting bed covers. The lake is good for teaming.

Feb 17 Dan & James are both home. James is drawing our own timber from Magnetawan. They were all up at the Falls on the 15th of Feb to see the lawyer to get the farm settled. Today 17 Dan & Father has gone to see Mrs. Mathers.

Feb 21 Prince got hurt. Tom Rowsell is with us.

Mar 3 Prince is getting better. (Feb 27 Baby was baptized) The boys expect to finish drawing the timber tomorrow. Auntie and I has had a bad cold for more than two weeks. The gripp.

Mar 15 Auntie is better and able to work but I am still pretty bad. My cough is so bad. Father is getting better and able to go out.

Mar 25 Father has got worse and has been in bed for three days. I am getting better but very slow. Auntie is not feeling so well.

Mar 25 The boys got 8 dollars from Sharp of goods. I have made a pare of stockings for baby.

Mar 26 Auntie is making aprons for Minnie.

Apr 3 We had to get the doctor down for Father. He says he has inflamation of the lunges. Poor Father I did not think he was so ill. I hope he will soon get better. Joe Noll leaves tonight.

Apr 8 The Doctor was down today. He says Father is rather better, but we have to go on with the same treatment for some time. The doctor has been down four times.

Apr 12 Father not so well today. More feaversh. Cannot sleep

1901 Apr 13 Father had a good night and feels better.

 Apr 18 Father is better but not able to be up out of bed. James was plowing this week. Today it is raining. The Lake is open.

 Apr 19 Friday. Dan crossed by the boat to get the doctor down

 Apr Father has been ill for some weeks with inflammation of his lungs. He had pneumonia but is better and able to be out some times.

 Apr Mrs. Welpton died. She was a dear friend.

 Apr 21 Father is better. The doctor says he can get up in a week. We are so thankful. I am writing to Malcolm. James is not well today with youralage.

 Apr 25 Father much better. The boys plowed the garden. Our seeds are up. Steamboat went down on the 24th. Lake opened on the 20 April.

1902 July 18 Malcolm left for Winnipeg. Auntie left the same day for Winnipeg.

 July 29 The two Miss Bars and their husbands came to visit us for two days. We all went to the harbour today.

1903 June 3 Malcolm was married to Jennie Waters at her mothers house in Guelph, Canada.

 Nov Lyla came from Winnipeg for a visit as Joe & Katie went to Regina.

1904 Mr. Bolten died. Minnie's brother-in-law in two weeks after his mother died. It was so very sad.

 Feb 8 Malcolm & Jennie are home in Calgary just now and has got a nice furnished home.

 Mar Malcolm and Jennie are living in Clagary, N.W. They have a comfortable home.

 Mar 1 Lyla is still with us and feels stronger. She will be with us for the summer.

1904 Apr 7 Planted the plants. Dan left for Huntsfield
Hospitle.

Dear Father died (my husband) at Huntsville, July 15th, 1908.

This is February 4, 1911. It is 2-1/2 years since he died, and
oh, how I miss him. I am in Calgary, Feb 9, 1911.

1914 Sep The boys sold our land and home for \$7,000. dollars,
six years ago. So I have been out in the West some
time. I have been with Malcolm for two years on a
visit and with Katie, Mrs. Wildfong. I am going to
the farm in Griffin soon.

How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation?

Heb 2:3

Isa 59:61

John 10

2 Cor 5

Paul was writing to those who had felt the need of Salvation and who had come to the only source. And because they had come, and followed the Master they were persecuted. So Paul writes to encourage them in the midst of their trials. And Paul, too, shows them the superiority of the gospel over the law, the law being only a type of this glorious gospel.

Yet Paul knew that there were among them many who had never fled to the only refuge. Many who were not yet safe for eternity. Many who were neglecting the only, the great salvation. And so he exclaims, "How can we escape if we neglect?"

FIRST

Then there is a salvation. The text implies this. And it implies that man needs it. Indeed, it implies that it is man's greatest need. He has fallen. He is ruined by sin. He is lost. Just like a man who falls 100 ft from a building. You look up, and you can truly say when he starts he is lost, for man cannot save him. So man is lost, is dead, so far as he himself is concerned, "dead in trespasses and sins" There is a great gulf between him and spiritual life, which he cannot bridge over. This is so in the natural world. There is a stone - vegetable life cannot be put in it. There is a plant, animal life cannot be put in it. There is an animal, spiritual life cannot be put in it. By God's natural law a lower cannot influence a higher life. So man dead in sin, cannot raise himself to spiritual life. I would like to emphasize this. Not all our good works, our good intentions, our honesty, our kindness, can raise us to that level. Spiritual life come from a higher source, a heavenly source. Man needs to be saved from death and its consequences, trusting to oneself. But this he cannot ever do in himself, no more than the stone, a plant or an animal. But there is a way of escape. There is a way of getting up to the spiritual life. Jesus is the way.

SECOND

This salvation is a great salvation. Great because it saves from death. Look at that drowning girl. She is saved. It is a great salvation. It saved her life, and gave joy to Mother and friends. This salvation is great because it saves from eternal death. The girl was saved for the few years she would have to live, the sinner for all eternity. This salvation is great because of the vastness of the remedy. The life and death and resurrection of Jesus. Great because of the joy it imparts. Who can fathom the height, the depth, the length the breadth of everlasting life?

THIRD

And what is this salvation? Something wonderful in this salvation. There is a child who has taken God at his word, and there is a scientific learned man who is yet unsaved. Oh, the simplicity of the gospel! And there is mystery connected with it. Jesus tells us we must be born again, if we are to enter heaven. And the learned man because he cannot tell all about the second birth, he tries to think there is no such thing. Yet he knows there is mystery in nature. For who has found out what life is? And he knows a lower can never produce a higher life. And he knows that man needs a higher life. Why then will he not believe in Him alone that can give this higher life? Ah, he will not bend to the simplicity of the gospel. Pride.

FOURTH

Again I ask - what is this salvation? It is a passing from death into life. Having Christ abiding in us. Permeated with his influence. Under His control. Feeling our utter helplessness, and his sufficiency. Feeling a new spirit in us, as new power ruling and guiding us. Being born again. A super human power recreating us.

FIFTH

And though we do not understand this spiritual life in itself - we do know it by its results.

"The wind bloweth where it...." (John 3:8)

We know the wind by the result. We can feel its influence on us. So with this re-creation this being born of the spirit, we know it by its results. We know we once loved sin, now we hate it. Once we cared little for God's voice, now we delight to listen. Once we cared little for Sabbaths, God's word, His sanctuary, now we love these, etc. etc.

And we know we can lead you to the way of being born again. We can point you to Jesus the way, the truth, and the life - the spiritual life.

We can tell you he is the source of this new life. We can say, because we ourselves have believed; "Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt have this eternal life"

It is His work. How thankful we ought to be it is so! How grateful we ought to be that by his help we can obtain this life.

SIXTH

How shall we escape if we neglect this great salvation?

This implies we can neglect it. For he will never force us in this new life. We must be a willing people. And He does not say, "How shall we escape if we reject so great salvation" - no, simple neglect. Think of this. The gardener neglect his garden and beautiful flowers become wild. Neglect the farm, and it goes to waste.

Neglect the mind, and it becomes weak, impure, unholy. Neglect the soul, and we are lost. What an awful responsibility. Neglecting our souls! Look at that young man. He is sitting sleeping in that boat. The wind is blowing him right to those rapids. There is the oars beside. He is going rapidly to destruction with the means of escape just beside him. Yet he neglects. He is lost.

Sinners are lost with the means of safety beside them. Jesus is ever near, ever ready to help you to escape. Turn to the only means, the only source of spiritual life.

SEVENTH

How then can we escape if we neglect so great salvation?

We cannot. It is impossible. If we neglect, nothing can save us. No other foundation. No other way, but Jesus' Way. Thousands have tried