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Monday 12 Will[m] trasp'd a Fox South – Threshing Peas – Pet – M[r] & C. to Stratford in Step[s] Sleigh – ret[d] p[m] 5.25 Chris[t] Chas[s] & Wm to Step[s] to tea – Snow Show[r] 22 27

Tuesday 13 Charles to M[r] Nicols to look at a Cow – from thence to Frasers to enquire about Thrashing Mill – preparing Barn for thrash[g] & sportering N.2 – Sn. – do 26 23

Wednesday 14 Chas[s] to Stonekops engag'd his Thrashing Machine – to be here tomorrow a.m. – on Letters – 3 of Thos[s] & a Cattle Doctor – ~~[illegible]~~ prepareing for thrashing Mill – & M[r] Nichol brought a Red Cow & white Martha agreed to take @ £ 14½ – gave him my note for £3.12.6 – on acc[t] of hire & Mr Frasers grant Orders p[d] £4.12.6 @ 8/p. pm. Williams Ellen & Christian arrived – bro[t] a small Stove for Back Room – a present from Mrs B. – Isaac trasp'd a Fox Eliza — 1 6 Mrs Stewart 3 — 16

Thursday 15 Chas[s] to Peter Kortners & bro[t] 7 Gall[s] Whisky to be p[d] for on Grain sent: had Mares wintershed at Sharmans — ~~Her~~ took letter to P Office W.S. to stop[t] Jane — Stonekops & Son arrived with Thrashing Mill even[g] paid Chas[s] for something or other — 4

Friday 16 Had Rankins Shanty & Donald Stewart Kirby & Step[s] to assist in thrashing @ 9[d] a piece part of the Iron work broke & was taken to Sharmans for repair – gable work again @ 2 3/4 – thrash[d] Sheaves Spr. Wheat – Snow Shower Removed the stable after dark

Saturday 17 Had the parties thrashing as yesterday – Sheaves Spr. Wheat – Fall D[o] Stonekops went home @ 7 pm – to return Monday ev[g] – took Mill & Mr Bs Cutter & drove Mrs S. to Daby's & Monteiths to get Butter Sugar &c. bro[t] from P Office bro[t] to Chas[s] not p[d] D[o]

Sunday 18 Wm & Chas[s] in Sleigh Will & Isaac to Stratford – found Bl & White Steer Calf (Wellys) lying dead by the side of the Road this morning – Isaac 1 3 D[o] — 19

Monday 19 Preparing Williams Barn for thrashing bats, & sportering

Tuesday 20 Fixing Mill at Wm Barn & thrashing bats – Party same as 16 bys Step[s] Had Kirbys Horses – & Christ[n] to Rankins on[r] killing Hogs. beautiful 6 22

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Wednesday 21 thrashing Oats – party same as yesterday – 100 @ 15 Sheaves left fine 32

Thursday 22 C[s] Stonekops for Mill 3 3/4 days @ $3 = $11.1.3 Snow Storm all day
Is. Chr & Chas[s] with Sheaves at Rankins – Stonekops Mill thrashing
Wm & Cm[s] to Stratford – the 7 Gall[s] Whisky had 15[s] finished

Friday 23 Wm & Isaac to Stratford &c. Kelly & Cutler – took 2 Sacks Fall Wheat to Mill – could not be ground till late at night – not brought from P. Kortners 5 Galls Whisky – bro[t] 5[lbs] Daby's Sugar & Saleratus & Sheet Iron for Elbows Pipe to Sharmans – the rest hauling firewood & sportering fine

Saturday 24 Chas[s] & Wm & I to Stratford – took Mrs Daby's Crock & Monteiths Firkin Butter 7 1/2 lbs. Grist from Mill – from Daby's bro[t] Butter @ 6[d] Ct[y] fine 2 below 12 above Z
the rest hauling & chopping firewood & sportering
Step[s] ret[d] from Toronto via Hamilton – bro[t] Vote from Stoney to M[r] P.P. letter from Isham to Isaac with Traps &c – a party of 6 – Brown of Haysville & 4 females supposed a Wedding Party called in @ 8 a.m. to warm themselves – bound for Woodstock – at 6 p.m. from Emily & all the Boys in Sleigh to Step[s] –
Sold to a Tin Pedlar the Withers Skein for ——— 1 10 1/2
bro[t] of him a Set of Candle Moulds for 5/p[r] — — 3 1 1/2

Sunday 25 Chas[s] & Emily to meeting Wm & Chas[s] to Step[s] evening – Step & Annie not with them to tea. – fine

Monday 26 Ellen Emily & all the Boys to Stratford @ 11 – found by Jacksons Fly July Gooseberries Lintons &c &c. & drove to Hucks Bay Thames – were to be home @ 4 with the boys to Dinner – did not arrive till 6 3/4 – to a cold Dinner – M[rs] S. might & shaving denied @ 5 1/2 p.m – left us @ 1/4 27.[d] fine

Tuesday 27 Wm Ellen & Chas[s] Mrs T & m. in Cutter to Mr Thane's morning call Boys pottering – @ 4 1/2 p.m Wm & Is.[c] in Cutter to Stratford rec[d] from F Jarvis 85 on acc[t] of his Note £8.15 — 1 5 — leaving a Bal. of $5. –