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January,

THURSDAY,

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The year has ushered in with most splendid weather. The sun shining out clear and beautiful quite calm and, the cold in the morning only about the freezing point, the ice on the Dam is strong enough, and crowded with skaters of all ages and sexes.

FRIDAY,

2<sup>d</sup>

The same fine weather prevails, and the roads are hard and smooth,

SATURDAY,

3<sup>d</sup>

The weather is not so fine as it was yesterday was dull, I went down to Puslinch to see about clear boards and square timber.

It began to rain in the afternoon, and made the roads quite heavy, that were very fine in the morning.

The day is dry but blowing cold  
went out to the farm, the men are at  
work cutting up all the old laying cedar  
and other logs and under-brush

The weather is still mild and little or  
no frost more than to harden the roads  
during the night, which soften during the day.



January,

THURSDAY, 18<sup>#</sup>

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FRIDAY, 19<sup>#</sup>

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SATURDAY, 20<sup>#</sup>

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TUESDAY, 13<sup>th</sup>

Some more snow fell to day which with what fell yesterday enabled a light sleigh or cutter to slip along.

The annual meeting of the Bible Society was held this evening in St. Andrews Church.

WEDNESDAY, 14<sup>th</sup>

The weather to day has been quite wet and rainy, and melting all the snow that fell yesterday.

It froze harder last night than for some nights past, but the most of the snow gone it began however in the afternoon and snowed heavy

I have just got the new toe and brass for the upright shaft of the old mill (but now a new one) the toe is  $3\frac{3}{4}\frac{1}{16}$  inches in diameter which is  $\frac{1}{4}$  inches larger than than the old one. I was present both at the steeling and tempering of it myself, and likewise cast the Brass, which is quite hard & good

The teams went down to Morriston to day for some dry square pine timber

It has been snowing heavy all afternoon, and will be hard for the teams to get home

Board day in Bank

FRIDAY, 16<sup>th</sup>

There is considerable ~~fast~~ snow this morning and must have fallen during the night

At 7 this morning the glass was  $10^{\circ}$  below zero

SATURDAY, 17<sup>th</sup>

Rather of any thing milder this morning

January,

MONDAY, 19<sup>th</sup>

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Much milder this morning and during the middle of the day there was a slight thaw

TUESDAY, 20<sup>th</sup>

No thaw but a cold raw wind and very dull threatening a fall of snow or rain

We are getting on well with the Water Wheel the greater part of the Buckets are in their places

WEDNESDAY, 21<sup>st</sup>

Went down to Galt this morning and returned by evening train. At the Foundry settling up is full to date

R Wallace informed me he sets 1000 Bbls No 1 spring wheat flour to be delivered F.O.B. in Hamilton at \$4.15

Blain is treating now with a Montreal House for \$4.20 and thinks he will get it

The snow has improved the roads but I am afraid it is not going to last, as there is a slight thaw

The upright Shaft and Spur Wheel and <sup>level</sup> pinion are in their places

Very mild this morning and thawing  
and continued so all day, so that it begins to tell  
on the roads seriously

Mr N Higginbotham very ill yet,

FRIDAY, 23

It still continues mild but the snow is not  
melting as fast as it did yesterday. Measuring and  
deciding about the upright shafts

Higginbotham rather better to day

SATURDAY, 24<sup>th</sup>

January,

MONDAY, 26<sup>th</sup>

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It has been quite soft to day and little else than ruggons and Buggies going.

It however began to snow in the evening

This is the Anniversary of Burns Birth day, Dinner ~~was~~ or rather Supper at 8 was given at Granks Saloon to the Canadian Bard, Alex<sup>r</sup>. McLaughlan — on his return from Scotland

TUESDAY, 27<sup>th</sup>

Snowing hard this morning yet soft. Yet Mr A. & I went down to Mr Edington in Waterloo. and found the sleighing tolerably good for a light conveyance. It snowed all the fore part of the day.

February,

WEDNESDAY, 28<sup>th</sup>

It froze pretty hard during the night and there is no thaw to day — this evening a Dinner to Hon. A. J. Ferguson, to welcome his return from Scotland

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>

Fine morning and moderate frost. Board day, the President of the Bank Mr Simpson was here

Friday 30<sup>th</sup>

Moderate frost and no additional snow.

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup>

Sharper frost this morning, but little or no snow on the roads, except at the sides

Monday 2<sup>o</sup>

~~FRIDAY~~

~~27<sup>th</sup>~~

Tuesday 3<sup>o</sup>

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>

~~Good day in Wash~~

~~FRIDAY~~

~~30<sup>th</sup>~~

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>

Friday 6<sup>th</sup>

SATURDAY,

~~WED~~ 7<sup>th</sup>

February,

MONDAY, 9<sup>th</sup>

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TUESDAY, 10<sup>th</sup>

WEDNESDAY, 11<sup>th</sup>



February.

THURSDAY, 12<sup>th</sup>

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*Book day*

FRIDAY, 13<sup>th</sup>

SATURDAY, 14<sup>th</sup>

February,

MONDAY, 13.

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TUESDAY, 14.

WEDNESDAY, 15.

Very sharp cold day. good roads and a  
great quantity of grain in

February,

THURSDAY, 16.

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Has been a cold day, good sleighing and a considerable quantity of wheat in the Market.  
Rev Kenneth McLennan of Paisley here

Board day in Bank

FRIDAY, 17.

SATURDAY, 18.

Note due in Hamilton on Monday

February,

MONDAY, 20.

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Feb

TUESDAY, 21.

WEDNESDAY, 22.

February,

THURSDAY, 23.

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FRIDAY, 24.

SATURDAY, 25.

February,

MONDAY, 27.

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TUESDAY, 28.

WEDNESDAY, 29.

March,

THURSDAY, 1.

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FRIDAY, 2.

SATURDAY, 3.

March,

MONDAY, 5.

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TUESDAY, 6.

WEDNESDAY, 7.



March,

THURSDAY, 8.

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FRIDAY, 9.

SATURDAY, 10.

March,

MONDAY, 12.

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TUESDAY, 13.

WEDNESDAY, 14.

March,

THURSDAY, 15.

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FRIDAY, 16.

SATURDAY, 17.

March,

MONDAY, 19.

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WEDNESDAY, 21.

March,

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March,

MONDAY, 26.

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TUESDAY, 27.

WEDNESDAY, 28.

March,

THURSDAY, 29.

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FRIDAY, 30.

SATURDAY, 31.

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TUESDAY, 3.

WEDNESDAY, 4.

Cold freezing day, the ground was bare of snow yet there was a considerable number of cattle at the Fair, and the prices were much improved when compared to the one last month.



April,

THURSDAY, 2<sup>d</sup>

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FRIDAY, 3<sup>d</sup>

SATURDAY, 4<sup><sup>th</sup></sup>

April,

MONDAY, 6<sup>th</sup>

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This has been a very different day from what yesterday was it began to snow heavy this morning and continued all day and in a great measure melted away, whereas yesterday was a fine clear pleasant day of sunshine

TUESDAY, 7<sup>th</sup>

This has been another day of sleet and snow which is melting fast, have the 3 horse teams and the Oxen at the Rocks hauling the firewood out of the chopping, on to the roadside to be out of the way in burning the brush, in the spring

Set the water on the big Mill New water wheel. The stone pinions were in gear, and all went smooth and well,

WEDNESDAY, 8<sup>th</sup>

April,

THURSDAY, 9<sup>th</sup>

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This has been a very fine day, but the roads are getting deep and muddy as the frost goes out,

Peter Idington was here to day - went out to the freight station with him

A. B. Stewart's sale of furniture to day -

I wrote to Hart & Munson of Utica N. Y. about another of Mattison's Flour packers.

FRIDAY, 10<sup>th</sup>

SATURDAY, 11<sup>th</sup>

April,

MONDAY, 13<sup>th</sup>

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TUESDAY, 14<sup>th</sup>

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WEDNESDAY, 15<sup>th</sup>

April,

THURSDAY, 16<sup>th</sup>

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FRIDAY, 17<sup>th</sup>

SATURDAY, 18<sup>th</sup>

April,

MONDAY, 20<sup>th</sup>

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TUESDAY, 21<sup>st</sup>

WEDNESDAY, 22<sup>d</sup>

have obliged to discontinue here so  
as to begin the month of May on the proper  
day of the week -

May

FRIDAY, ~~24~~

1<sup>st</sup> May

Began to chop Corn in the (large Mill)  
to day at a fine rate. Had quite an alarm  
yesterday about the outer gudgeon of the new  
water wheel, being allowed to run dry until  
it was so hot as to change its colour, it tore up  
the brass and also made the surface of the  
gudgeon (which ~~was~~ had been polished with  
Emery) rough and quite rock-pitted. We coated  
it down with sulphur and water, and then after  
cleaning it well, and had got it quite cool,  
put on fresh oil & tallow, and smoothed the surface  
with a fine file, it then appeared to work tolerably well  
But fear, it will have to be turned again to make  
it as perfect as it was, It is fine weather

SATURDAY, ~~25~~

2<sup>nd</sup>

There is some appearance of rain to day, I feel  
heavy and have a slight headache

~~Notes due tomorrow~~

Meeting of committee on Printing ~~to~~ 7.

May

MONDAY,

~~4<sup>th</sup>~~ 4<sup>th</sup>

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May,

5<sup>th</sup>

TUESDAY,

~~4<sup>th</sup>~~ 4<sup>th</sup>

~~Do not~~ chop Corn with the  
Old Mill (or large mill) regularly

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WEDNESDAY, 2.

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May,

THURSDAY, 3.

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SATURDAY, 5.

May,

MONDAY, 7.

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TUESDAY, 8.

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WEDNESDAY, 9.

May,

THURSDAY, 10.

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FRIDAY, 11.

SATURDAY, 12.

May,

MONDAY, 14.

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TUESDAY, 15.

WEDNESDAY, 16.

May,

THURSDAY, 17.

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FRIDAY, 18.

SATURDAY, 19.

May,

MONDAY, 21.

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TUESDAY, 22.

WEDNESDAY, 23.

May,

THURSDAY, 24.

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FRIDAY, 25.

*Thursday*  
 Have got the pipes and fittings for the boiler  
 from the mill. The boiler is now in the shop  
 and will be ready in a few days. The  
 boiler is a vertical one and will be  
 fitted with a safety valve and a  
 pressure gauge. The boiler is now in the  
 shop and will be ready in a few days.

The weather is now very cold to day.  
 Have got the 8 acre field plowed and finished this  
 afternoon.

SATURDAY, 26.

*Friday*  
 Considerable rain fell this afternoon  
 of the afternoon. The work for the week  
 is now finished. The boiler is now in the  
 shop and will be ready in a few days.  
 The boiler is a vertical one and will be  
 fitted with a safety valve and a pressure  
 gauge. The boiler is now in the shop  
 and will be ready in a few days.

Thursday

~~MONDAY, 28.~~

Friday

~~TUESDAY, 29.~~

Have got the eight acre field next the Glebe sown with Oats this day and partly harrowed

Saturday

~~WEDNESDAY, 30.~~

considerable rain fell this forenoon, and part of the afternoon. The cone for the new packing machine was finished to day, and the most of the gearing fitted up for it. The fitting up of the upper part begun as can be done, the shafting is progressing as fast as can be done, the Bram Bolt casing is finished



May,

Sabbath

~~FRIDAY 31.~~

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June,

Monday ~~FRIDAY 1.~~ 1863

This has been a throug day, this being our annual meeting of the Wellington Mutual Fire Assurance Co<sup>rs</sup> when I was again relected a Director, Had also a meeting of the Building Society

The weather is raw and cold to day  
Have got the 8 acre field fenced and finished this afternoon.

Tuesday ~~SATURDAY 2.~~

Intend leaving for Hamilton this morning

Wednesday ~~MONDAY~~ 3<sup>th</sup>

Thursday ~~TUESDAY~~ 4<sup>th</sup>

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Friday ~~WEDNESDAY~~ 5<sup>th</sup>

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June,

*Saturday*

~~FRIDAY~~ 6<sup>th</sup>

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*Monday*

~~FRIDAY~~ 8<sup>th</sup>

*Tuesday*

~~SATURDAY~~ 9<sup>th</sup>

June, *Wednesday* ~~MONDAY~~ 10<sup>th</sup> 1860.

*Thursday* ~~WEDNESDAY~~ 11<sup>th</sup>

*Friday* ~~THURSDAY~~ 12<sup>th</sup>

June,

Saturday

~~SATURDAY~~ 13<sup>th</sup>

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Monday

~~SATURDAY~~, 15.

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Tuesday

~~SATURDAY~~, 16.

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June, Wednesday

~~MONDAY~~ 17<sup>th</sup>

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Thursday

~~TUESDAY~~ 18<sup>th</sup>

Friday

~~WEDNESDAY~~ 19<sup>th</sup>

June,

*Saturday* ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ 20<sup>th</sup>

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*Monday* ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ 22.

*Tuesday* ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ 23.

December,

MONDAY, 31.



Letters to write or answer

Horsburgh

Mrs Robertson

Chatham (of 13<sup>th</sup> Feb)  
see Kingsmill

John Burnes. see

Treasurer of Goderich. A. M. Ross.