

THE DIARY OF HANNAH DELVINA JARVIS , née PETERS

1st January to 31st December 1844

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- [Jan^y 2] H H H returned at ten at night much pleased with her Party
- [Jan^y 3] cloudy – mild H.O – H.J. & Boys drove to Niagara – borrowed a sly road not good – called at M^cCormicks – received my quarterly allowance of M^r M^cCormick – called at M^r Ross bought two Table there – for two Dollars – went to other Stores and purchased several things – returned about six – M^r Mewburn J Stayner & Jane came in took Cth & Han^h go spend the [Ev]^s at M^r Creighton's –
- 44 Jan^y 4 cloudy cold – high [wind] – H H H went all over the Village to borrow a sleigh – not one to be had – all just going out – they will soon want our Horse, sleigh or Harness – I trust they will be disappointed – H H H went up with M^r Guernsey Car^o Emma spent the af^rnoon at M^{rs} Fitz^d – ~~fine cold mor^s~~ – three Boys called for our Boys to go and ride – disappoint
- 5 fine cold mor^{ng} – Milk frozen in the Hall Pantry – water in the Breakfast room – last night – Letter from Cathy & Augusta D^r Mewburn M^r & M^{rs} Fitz^d – M^{rs} Fitz^d sent Jarvis a large Cake –
- 44 Jan^y 6 Jane & Eliza slept at Miss Tench – heard James Boulton called on M^{rs} M^cCormick New Years day – he had as much impudence as any white man ought to have M^r Robert Dickson also called there – it makes up the Breach –
- 7 Sunday Cloudy- some snow – high wind – Jarvis returned to College in Transit – Alx^r accompanied him as far as Niagara – The Girls all went to Kirk on the Hill – Alx^r walked from Niagara to Queenston – Alx^r & Children sent to see the Falls –
- 44 Jan^y 7 J Stayner – T Mewburn – M^r Tench who stayed all Night – went home before Breakfast –
- 8 – Cloudy – very cold – The Children began school again – after the Christmas Holy-days – T Mewburn – J Stayner – called to take Jane and Julia to Niagara – Hannah – Jane – Julia went & dined with M^{rs} Stayner before starting for Niagara Hannah returned about eight Miss Jane at half past nine – broke H.O. sleigh – the Horse very warm – Jane stayed all Night
- 44 Jan^y 9 mild – snowing – Washing done at half past two – baking
T Mewburn called and took Jane to Chippawa – H.O. gave her a Bottle of Cream & Milk –
M^r Tench – D^d Gilkinson spent the Ev^s –
- 10^h – weather variable – cloudy & sunshine
W^m & Eliza Robinson dined here – M^{rs} R gave a Dress to H.O. for one of the Children – M^r C Sinclair – W^m Duff – D^d Gilkinson – drank Tea here –
- 11 – Cloudy – cold – T Mewburn called for H H H to go to Chippawa Club – quite alone in the Ev^s – went to bed at half past ten –
- 12 Cloudy – mild – John and an other Man taking down the Hall Stove Pipe's – full of soot and water –
Rain in the afternoon M^r Gilkinson drove H H H from Chippawa – the Horse ran away at D^r Hamiltons – the shaft broke at the top of the Mountain – H H H jumped out – M^r G stopped the horse and with difficulty took him
- 44 Jan^y 12 from the sleigh – and led him to the Inn – walked up with H H H home – both much alarmed – M^r G took Tea here – and left between nine and Ten – High wind & heavy rain during the Night – the rain drove into my room – struck a light and placed Basons under the Leak –
- 13 – High westerly wind – it took off part of the ridge of the Barn and shingles off the Fowl House – M^r Tench – cleaned the silver ware –
- 44 Jan^y 13 W^m Duff – M^r Tench stayed all Night –
- 14 Sunday – Cloudy – M^r & M^{rs} Fitz^d – H.O. & Herbert went and dined with Fitz^{ds} – Miss Tench dined here Sun came out in the afternoon – M^r Tench – M^r & M^{rs} Creighton – M^r D^d Gilkinson said he was going to Hamilton in the Morn^g – W Duff – J & T Stayner
- 15 fine – clear – mild mor^s washing done at two M^{rs} Fitz^d borrowed Pony and carriage to go to Niagara – H.O & Herbert spent the afternoon at M^{rs} M^cMickens – M^r Tench Mewburn – J Stayner
- 44 Jan^y 15 Fitz^d called to say there was an error in my Certificate – shall be under the necessity to go to Niagara tomorrow – rain in the Night –
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- 16 – Cloudy – A Letter from M^r Freeman – from Jane Jarvis – sun came out in the middle of the Day – mild H.O. drove H.J. to Niagara to sign a paper for her Pension the former being informal – bought several articles for H.O. & H.J. – had some Bread & Butter – preserved Apples & a cup of Tea at M^cCormicks – the Roads very muddy & sloppy 4 O'Clock before we returned
- 44 Jan^y 16
- 17 – snowing – H J had a Letter from Eliza J Stayner – M^r Tench stayed all Night – turned cold in the Ev^s –
- 18 – Clear & cold – Miss Tench – M^r Tench – J Stayner – M^r & M^{rs} Fitz^d – M^e Fitz^d went off conquerer at Back Gammon – some snow
- 44 Jan^y 19 cloudy – appearance of snow – marked my shifts – T Mewburn J & T Stayner – some snow
- 20 Cold & clear – Washing done at twelve – Miss Tench – raving that the Roads are so bad she is afraid she shall not go to Hamilton Ball – says she shall die if she does not go poor Girl – H.O. & H H H drank Tea with M^{rs} Creighton Alx^r went to Methodist Missionary meeting – J Stayner

- 21 – Sunday – cloudy – some snow –
44 Jan^y 21 Joseph Hamilton – Andrew Geddes – came in from Hamilton – about ten in the Mor^{ng} drove all Night – to take the Girl up for the Ball – in [word illegible] – M^{rs} H and Children gone to Kirk Stewart & R^t Law Miss Tench – A Geddes & Joseph Hamilton & W^m Duff dined here – Sandy J & T Stayner Jane & Eliza Hamilton came down with Alx^r – stayed all Night – Letters from Jessie
- 44 Jan^y 22 Cloudy – more mild – Jane & Eliza Breakfasted here – Joseph &c came with their Waggons & took Jane & Eliza Hⁿ Miss Tench Catⁿ – H H H to Hamilton – started at ten in the morn^g – Letters from Eliza – M^r Tench – M^r & M^{rs} Sinclair – dined here – Miss^s Ross – Julia Hamilton they went on with M^r Sinclair – J Stayner Alx^r went to the Lecture upon catching Rats – Rain'd very heavy during the Night –
- 44 Jan^y 23 Cloudy – some Rain – paid the Black-smith had a shoe put on Pony H.O & Alx^r drove to Drummondville – bought Butter – Lard & Oats – called on M^{rs} Sinclair John – Ann & Phoebe Gurnsey – came to see the Children [two words illegible] dined here –
- 24 – Cloudy & Windy – Hellen & Alx^r went to M^r Gurnsey's to Tea – some snow in the Night
- 25 Cloudy very cold – H.O. went down to M^cMickens to try and Buy some Tea
– 44 Jan^y 25 at the sale – severe cold –
- 26 – Cloudy severely cold – M^{rs} & Master Fitz^d came up to spend the day – dined here – The sun cam out at twelve O'Clock – M^{rs} Mewburn J Stayner came to bring a Letter from H H H – written at Hamilton – dated at Queenston – T & M^{rs} Stayner spent the Ev^g here – M^r Fitz^d – Th Jarvis Stayner slept here –
- 27 Exceptively cold – Cloudy air full of snow – Alx^e & Stayner & J Guernsey drove to Chippawa to Scate –
– 44 Jan^y 27 H.O. & Hellen washing – Ironing & scrubbing – The Sun shown out in the afternoon –
Alx^r did not return till Ten at Night – scated twenty Mile – he drank Tea with Julia Hamilton – H.O. much alarmed at Alx^{rs} stay all went to bed much fatigued & paid due attention to sleep – Ca^m & E spent the after at Fitz^{ds}
- 28th Sunday – clear and cold – J Guernsey – Caroline – Emma & Herbert & Alx^r walked down to see Maria Letter from Catharine
44 Jan^y 28 wrote to Eliza – some snow in the Ev^g –
- 29 Air full of snow – very cold – H.O. walked down to see Maria – Caro^e mending Breakfast room Carpet – mendid my Carpet & the stockings –
Letters from Jessie & Eliza and Jarvis – finished my Letter to Eliza & sent it off
J Stayner – T Mewburn called to say he was going to Hamilton – sent 5 Letters to Cathⁿ by him – John & Ann Gurnsey – Chubbuck
some snow – still cold
44 Jan^y 29 bought some Ribbon to trim my new Bonnet made out an old one
- 30 Cloudy – snowing lightly – cold – busy cleaning the Plate – H.O. baking – Load of straw from Adam Brown – cheated Alx^r out of half –
J Stayner brought me five sticks of black sealing was of M^{rs} Stayner her own make – mendid the Cloths out of the wash
- 31 – Clear cold morn^g
– 44 Jan^y 31 continued cold all day & Night – A grand Charivari in Queenston which lasts ~~all~~ till lady light in honor of one of Prest's son's taking up his lodging with the Painton Wife – Characters of all descriptions stuck up on Old Prests the Painters &c &c doors
- Feb^y 1 – rather more mild – M^{rs} Fitz^d came up & Breakfasted here – her Errand to borrow our Horse to go to Drummondville – it was engaged
44 Feb^y 1 good – M^r Fitz^d would not lend his Horse to go as far as M^{rs} John Hamiltons – with M^{rs} Freeman – one mile – lent his sleigh for the Winter to Col^l Eliot – H.O. had not one – & his Horse to Capⁿ Jones – see what it is to be high in the world – “those that have little that little shall be taken away” – and given to those that does not want it – this is the way of the world – to cling to power and look down on those
– 44 Feb^y 1 who have not much to give –
Alx^r & Helen got off to go to Drummondville – in M^r M^cMicken's timber sleigh – when it began to snow and they had to turn back –
T Stayner – at Nine O'Clock came in Cathⁿ – Hannah – Jane – Eliza & Maryjane – Augusta – Little Augusta – Joseph Hamilton – Bob Law & W^m & George Jarvis M^r Hurd – M^r Stuart from Hamilton – all drank Tea here – George & the Girls stayed all Night – 2 past 11 George Breakfasted – Letter from M^{rs} Freeman
- 44 Feb^y 2 cloudy morn^g – mild – the Party of yesterday went to Chippawa – took Jane & Eliza home brought Jane Julia & Julia Ross back – Alx^r went with them – they all drank Tea here – with the addition of Mewburn W^m Duff – J Stayner – T Stayner stayed till 12 O'Clock – G.J. went to Niagara
- 3^d Clear – mild mor^{ng} – the Ladies all Breakfasted here – all the Gentlemen from Hamilton came up this Mor^g –
– 44 Feb^y 3 Except R Law – who went to Niagara W^m Jarvis & M^r Hurd left for Hamilton – a Letter from Jessie –
I wanted to go to Niagara – but could not borrow a sleigh – my Certificated being returned for want of formality went down in the Waggon M^cCormick made out my Certificate – went to M^r Longs – had them attested – gave them to M^cCormick
Augusta gave H.O. some salt Haddock – came safe
– 44 Feb^y 3 Home at eight – the Hamilton party took Jane – Julia & Julia Ross up to Chippawa – drank Tea with Jane – returned about half past ten – M^{rs} Duff
- 4 – fine clear day – we all went to Church at Niagara 11 in Number – called at M^cCormicks – found him quite unwell also Mary Jane – returned home the Party dined here W Duff – the two Augustas went town to see Maria's stayed to Tea – also R^t Law – the rest too Tea here – Edmund Tench
- 44 Feb^y 5 cloudy – thawing – appearance of Rain – Joseph Hamilton – the two Augustas M^r Stewart & R^t Law left here for Hamilton at 11 O'Clock – began to rain at one – cleaned the silvers – fixed a board to catch the Water in the Cistern – the spout filled with Ice – Cap^m Johnson called to say M^r Creen had given him leave to sit in H.O. Pone H.O – Cathⁿ – H H H – Helen – Alx^r – Mary – Peter & George Jarvis – went to hear M^r Freeman
44 Feb^y 5 Lecture on the gradations of Man – from Childhood to old Age –
Charles Sinclair – very little Rain – H.J. complaining
- 6th Cloudy – mild – some snow – clear afternoon George & Mary went to Chippawa – brought two Bushels of Oats for H.O. – Sandy J & T Stayner –
M^r Tench – thawing caught almost a Cistern of Water –

- 7th
44 Feb^y 7 fine clear morn^g – washing – M^{rs} Tench Fred^k & M^r Tench – Sandy J Stayner – Cathⁿ went
Tea at M^{rs} Trenches H.J. sick – copying Music – had a wrestles Night –
- 8 fine morn^s – Ironing George & Cathⁿ drove to Niagara – cold at 3 O’Clock – George & Cathⁿ returned at six – the day continued fine M^{rs} J & T
Stayner – M^r & M^{rs} Creighton – F^k & W^m Tench –
- 9 Clear morn^g – George & Mary – M^r Tench & Cathⁿ went to Niagara – the Gentlemen with M^r Brock – the Lady’s with M^{rs} M^cCormick returned at
12 O’Clock
– 44 Feb^y 9 M^{rs} Stayner – M^{rs} Creighton drank Tea here – H O.H. – H H H walked up to post office put a Letter in for Eliza – received a Letter from Eliza also
from M^{rs} S^l Jarvis – M^r Creighton – T Stayner
- 10 Clear & cold – M^r & Lewis Stayner – M^r Stayner bought three Window Sashes – Lewis brought a basket of Onions to H.O., and a bag of Thread
from M^{rs} Creighton –
44 Feb^y 10 George Jarvis did not leave his Bed this day – having an head ache –in consequence of driving with M^r Brock – Letter from Jessie
the Children spend the day at M^{rs} Stayners – H.O. & H H H walked up for the Children – H H H spent the Ev^s at M^{rs} Creightons till eleven at
Night – J Stayner – Mary Jane kept up Georges Spirits by remaining all day till Eleven at night by his Bedside –
- 11 Sunday – fine clear sunshine mild morn^s – H.O. George & Alx^r gone to Niagara Ev^s Church – returned at Sun-set – a Man taken out of Church in
a Fit – Cat^{hm} Ross very sick – had a fall and hurt her Hip was carri
– 44 Feb^y 11 out of the sleigh into the House – A great stir in the Presbyterian Church – M^r M^cGill refusing to bury J Grier on Sunday – & preaching a
Sermon in the mor^{ns} (not a funeral sermon) setting J. Grier’s character forth as every thing but good – W^m Tench – Sandy & M^{rs} Duff – J & T
Stayner – Ctⁿ H H H & Maryjane took a walk to the Tol-gate – called at Fitz^d – he said he was under Orders for St Catharines – to take place in
April or May – that his safe had been robbed of Meal &
44 Feb^y 11 Bread –
We heard that M^r Stanton of Fort Erie lost three Children in ten days – with Scarlet Fever
- 12 Monday – Clear – Sun shine – mild – thawing – W^m & Eliza Robinson – M^r & M^{rs} Fitz^d – George & H H H gone to Niagara – M^r Stayner – T Stayner
– M^r Tench – M^{rs} Fitz^d took M^r & M^{rs} Robinson to dine with her – H J wrote a long letter to C.A. Hⁿ – George and H H H returned at six – reported
that Miss Ross was to be married on the twenty first – with a request for H.O. to assist in making a Cake – George brought a pane of glass
44 Feb^y 13 Cloudy – rain at nine high wind – Maria & Child – M^r Tench – M^r Tench George & Mary drove to Niagara –to take a Gallon for Mary M^cCormick
which he George had copied out of Maryjanes Book – snow several times during the day & sunshine – Washing done and dried
- 14 – Cloudy – the River full of Ice – H.O. busy making Cath^{ms} Body of her dress to go to R^t Dicksons party – George drove Maryjane – Edmund Tench
Cathⁿ –
– 44 Feb^y 14 the Wheel came off just as George got into Niagara = had to hire an other to take them to M^r Dickens – they all came home in Edmund Tench’s
Waggon – H.J. writing Music – F Tench – M^{rs} Fitz^d & Son – T Stayner George put ~~in~~ a pane of glass in the back door
- 15 Cloudy – mild – changeable – fair – rain – snow – H.O. & George drove to Niagar returned about Eight in a snow storm – H.O. went to assist M^{rs}
Ross to make a wedding
– 44 Feb^y 15 Cake – could not do it because the Baker could not bake it – F Stayner H.J. received a Letter from New Orleans –
- 16 Cloudy – H.O. received a letter from D^r Hamilton notifying her that M^r R^t Dickson declined keeping W^m Jarvis Hamilton at College after first of
April – also for her to sign a Power of attorney to Hon^{ble} J Hamilton to receive certain Money due the Sheriff from Government –
H.O. – Maryjane & George
44 Feb^y 16 drove to Niagara – H.O. to assist M^{rs} Ross – H.J. – kneaded up Bread – J Stayner drove Cathⁿ & H H H to spend the ev^s at M^{rs} Ross’s – near eleven
when they returned – M^r Tench – T Stayner supped on warm corn Beef – past twelve went to bed –
- 17 – fine morn^s – cold – very late when we got up – ten O’Clock –
M^r & M^{rs} Sinclair – she came to see her Mother – T Stayner = George went to call on Maria dined with her – Maryjane walked down to call
on Maria – We breakfasted at half past Eleven – Letters from
44 Feb^y 17 Amherstburgh – Maryjane & George dined with Maria – drank Tea here – very cold at Night H.O. & H H H went to see M^{rs} Stayner
- 18 Sunday – Cloudy – cold morn^s – rose from our Bed a little before Eight breakfasted at half past eleven – M^r M^{rs} & Master Fitz^d – M^r Tench took
the Pony Carriage to his House – to be ready to start early in the Morn^s – is to be here at six – W^m Tench – M^r Sinclair & Child dined here – M^{rs}
Sinclair – J Stayner – W^m Duff –
Wrote to Augusta – Jane Hamilton –
44 Feb^y 19 got up twenty minutes after four – called up the Family breakfasted before day light – fine clear cold mor^{ns} – M^r Tench came at seven – George
Cathⁿ & Maryjane set off with M^r Tench for Hamilton – H.J. cleaned the Plate & Pantry &c &c H.O. had had the Hall stove pipe taken down – it
smoeked so that we were almost blind – H.O. & H H H went to see M^{rs} M^cMicken & M^{rs} Stayner – J Stayner called for H.O. – H H H & Helen to go
to the Lecture – went to bed early –
- 44 Feb^y 20 very fine morn^s – high Westerly wind – Baking & Scrubbing – H.O. went to see Maria – and M^{rs} Stayner found her about the same –
- 21 fine morn^s – mild – thawing fast – heard M^{rs} T M^cCormick had a daughter on Sunday 18 at Eleven O’Clock in the morning – Letter from Jarvis –
H H H went up to see M^{rs} Stayner who was better 0 H.O. went to Prists to get a Carr’s shoes mended – called at Fitz^{ds} – Cathⁿ returned
– 44 Feb^y 22 from Hamilton at nine O’Clock – ev^s – much Fatigue^d M^r Tench also – who remained all Night – H H H came home past ten – J Stayner M^r
Sinclair – Letter from G Jarvis –
- 22 Fine – clear – mild Mor^{ns} – M^r Tench Breakfasted here
Sowed Peppers & Tomato’s in Boxes – and Cauliflowers – M^{rs} Fitz^d & son – H.O. & Cathⁿ walked down to see M^{rs} Fitz^d and took her Carpet-
bag back J Stayner & Miss Jane Hamilton – a Letter from my son Samuel with a Lease to be signed for 200 Acres
– 44 Feb^y 22 of Land –

- 23 X Cloudy – dark – mild morn^s – wrote to S.P. Jarvis – returning the Indentures he required Sandy & W^m Duff witness the Indentures for 200 Acres of Land – in Clarke to Sullivan – H.O. – Cathⁿ & H H H went up to see M^{rs} Stayner and put my Letter in the Mail – H.O. – went down to get the Duffs to sign as Witnesses –
– 44 Feb^y 23 snow in the Evening Cold – Baking
- 24 Clear cold morn^s – scrubbing – Mewburn J Stayner – Froze very hard all day & Night – Letter from Jessie
- 25 Sunday H.O. – Cathⁿ & Alex^r went to Niagara Church left here at half past Ten – clear cold Morn^s – H.O. – Cathⁿ & Alex^r returned at three – M^r Mewburn W Duff – M^r M^{rs} & Master Fitz^d – H H H went to walk with Miss Jane and to see M^{rs} Stayner –
44 Feb^y 25 a Fire the 24th at St Catharins – burnt nine Houses –
- 26 Monday – very fine morn^s – Washing done at 12
Miss Wadsworth produced a Daughter – H.H H went to Niagara = with Miss Jane – T Mewburn & J Stayner – came home in the Rain – caught our Cistern half full of Water – a great comfort – for we had none but Spring water to use H.H H brought back news that Andrew Kirby was married to Miss Mary Racey – upwards of 22 years
– 44 Feb^y 26 difference in their Ages he had 6 children – she his third Wife – M^{rs} Stayner better – M^r Sinclair & Child
- 27 North wind – cold – cloudy Willy Duff came to take H H H and Jane over the River – the stove-pipe of the school house fell down – Children all sent home to prevent their being made Bacon – Guernseys came up with them – plenty of Noise – H.O. – Cathⁿ Ironing – Allen put the Beef into Pickle – the Black Cow
X sent over to M^cPhersons on a Visit –
– 44 Feb^y 27 H H H brought a pr of Boots across the River – cleared of fine at twelve the Tax man called – H.O. – H H H went to see M^{rs} Stayner – she was better – M^{rs} M^cMicken sick – H.J. winding-thread – T Stayner M^r Tench – slept here – H.O. wrote to Jessie – H.J. to Eliza –
- 28 fine clear morn^s – wind northerly – cool – M^{rs} M^cMicken – had a Daughter
44 Feb^y 25 D^r Hamilton spent an Hour – Miss Jane Hⁿ H.O. went to see Mrs M^cMicken – H.H.H spent the evening at M^{rs} Stayners J Stayner came home with her – the retired to the Hall Sofa for private conversation – Cathⁿ had a Letter from Charles Duff – H.J. mended most of the Clothes out of the wash
- 29 – Cloudy – appearance of Rain – mild – wind Westerly – Transit off at quarter past eight Hail – Rain & snow in the morn^g of the
44 Feb^y 25 the day – very dark H.O. & Cathⁿ went to see M^{rs} M^cMicken & M^r Fitz^d – M^{rs} Stayner better –
- March 1st Rainy dark morn^s
A Raccoon came into the House – M^r M^cPherson caught it – supposed to be a Pet of some one it belonged to Pane at one a heavy Fog – half past tow the Transit came in – Lewis Stayner brought a Note from Miss Jane for H H H –
Washing done at eleven & scrubbing –
44 March 1 D^r Hamilton – stayed to Tea – M^r Mewburn Miss Jane Hamilton –
- March 2 an other dark day rather morn^s – rain & snow – half past three the Ssn came out – we had a clear afternoon – H.O. & H H H went to see M^{rs} Stayner Alx^r went to St Davids, to get some yest – could not get any – Cathⁿ & Hannah drank Tea and spent the Evening there – J Stayner – Alx^r sent the evening at M^r Thorburns – a beautiful clear Night – M^r Tench came in here late at Night – & slept here
- 44 March 3^d Sunday – cloudy morning – at twelve began to snow – Hannah drove Jane to Chippawa with Pony – W^m Tench – M^r Tench went home for his Horse and Waggon to drive Cathⁿ to St Catharines – snowing fast – M^r Tench came without the Waggon – slept here – Hannah – Jane – J Stayner & T Mewburn came in at half past seven – had to get Tea for them – they stayed till Eleven Night – fine Moon light – T Mewburn cowhided James Sinclair for telling lies abt a letter from M^r Francis explaining a question H.J. asked him
44 March 3 him – on Saturday –
- 4 Monday – beautiful fine morning – the ground covered with snow – twelve O’Clock – W^m Tench called & took Cathⁿ to St Catharines to spend a Week with M^{rs} Robinson – half past one M^r Sinclair & Child came in stayed and dined – went away at half past five – H.O. went to see M^{rs} M^cMicken – M^{rs} Fitz^d and Stayner – Hannah & Jane went to hear the Lecture – returned with W^m Duff J Stayner & T Stayner – a Letter from Augusta
- 44 March 5 Morn^s clear & cold – H.O. went to the Auction at M^r M^cMickens – Hannah went to M^{rs} Stayners for Jane Hamilton – they called on M^{rs} Fitz^d & M^{rs} M^cMicken – Jane drank Tea here – J & T Stayner – a Man called and left a Letter for George Jarvis – Letter from Amherstburgh –
- 6 – very fine morn^s – M^{rs} Fitz^d and son came up to Breakfast
Children sent home from school – the stove-pipe having fallen down – Alx^r sent over the River for Tea –
– 44 March 6 the Geese laid two eggs yesterday – the Hens nest was found with Eleven Eggs M^r Fitz^d – H.O. & Hannah went up to M^{rs} Stayners – M^r Sinclair – brought two volumes of Magazines – for us to read – J Stayner – Alx^r – Caro & Emma – sick – old Irish Anne came to try a night in dying –
- 7 Very fine morn^g – T Mewburn – Hannah gone to spend the day with M^{rs} Stayner – J Stayner came to the door with Hannah – H.O. quite sick with a cold & head ache –
- 8th drisling rain – then clear – then Rain –
– 44 March 8 M^{rs} Fitz^d came up to get the Waggon – saying that M^r Fitz^d would have it repaired – if H.O. would lend it to him – agreed to on condition M^r Fitz^d should not take it away – if he changed his place of residence to any other Military Post – Rain in the afternoon and Evening –
- 9 Morning fair – but cool – put the Pickle on the Beef – made some Grit after M^{rs} Guernseys Recipe – it forsed out the Cake and lost a good deal
– 44 March 9 Alx^r sick – M^r Tench called for his Watch – Hannah reading the Presidents Daughter H.J. winding Thread – very muddy – H.O. not well – Maria’s servant grinding Coffee – Hannah & Helen Mangling & Scrubbing – M^{rs} Baker Brown – had a Daughter
- 10 Sunday- clear – mild – H.O. & Hannah walked to M^{rs} M^cMickens – Fitz^d & Stayners Alx^r brought Duncan up – he cried and was taken back – J Stayner & Sandy came back with H.O. & Hannah – read Prayers to the Family – Sandy went away to Prayer Meeting – J.S. stayed till Ten = Transit came over – Letter from Jarvis

- 44 March 11 Clear, fine mild morn^{ns} - Washing done at twelve peeled Potato's & onions for dinner - Priest Carrol's House broken open by Men dressed in Womens Clothes - they stood over the House chap and servant Man with Pistols - on Saturday Night - the House keeper gave battle - pulled off the Gangs Mask & hit his Fingers all to pieces - he knocked her down with his Pistol and escaped - they took all the Plate - clocks and other things they could find - Money they did not get -
- 44 March 11 The Transit went out at eight - H.O - Hannah & Alx^r went to hear the Lecture at the School-house - T Stayner W^m Duff called for them
- 12 Cloudy - some Rain - Ironing - set the yest - Hannah finished reading the Presidents Daughter - rained all Night - kneeded up the Bread -
- 13 Rainy morn^g - Mangling Alx^r took his Letter for Jarvis - to W^m Duff - at eleven Alx^r came up from school to say that Tom^h M^cCormick Junior - was taken up - put to Jail for breaking and robbing Priest's Carrol's House - in company with two others - dressed in Womens Cloths - and putting the Housekeeper and Man-servant in fear of their lives - by holding Pistols to their Heads & threatening to kill them if they stirred or made a Noise - last Saturday night - the tenth
- 44 March 13 Rain ceased in the afternoon - an other of the House breakers taken -
- 14 Cloudy - dull day M^r Tench came up in the Transit - confirms the
- 44 March 14 Report of Tom M^cCormicks disgrace - Caroline - Emma & Herbert spent the afternoon with Henry Creighton - his birthday - Alx^r went for them - they returned at seven - J Stayner -
- 15 Snowing - the ground covered with snow - cold - Emma has the tooth Ache - The Transit returned in consequence of the storm - Hannah went to see M^{rs} Stayner - M^r Mewburn - J Stayner - Alx^r walked to M^r Steven's
- 44 March 15 to look for Flour - could not find any - Letters from Jessie & Eliza - M^cDougal taken at Buffalo - one of the accomplices of T M^cCormick -
- 16th Rainy morn^g - dark disagreeable day - Alx^r drove out to Wrays for Flour and got half an Hundred - a Letter from Jarvis to Helen - wound thread all the Ev^s - baking
- 17^h Sunday - fine morn^g - Breakfasted early - Alx^r set out for St Catharines to bring Catharine home - M^r Tench called to him
- 44 March 17 to say he could not get out the Roads were so bad - gave him a Letter from Catharine - he returned Alx^r - M^r Tench wanted our Horse & Waggon, tomorrow to go for her - as if Alx^r was not less weight so large than M^r Tench tomorrow -
- 44 March 17 Mailed my Letter to Myrthe Peters - H.O. wrote to Cathⁿ to come home in the stage - p^d the Postage - H.O- Hannah - Helen & Alx^r walked down to M^r M^cMickens - & Fitz^d - they came back in the Rain - Wind south cleared off - Wind Westerly blew a Gale during the Night -
- 18th fine clear cold morn^g - hard frost - high westerly Wind - Ice funning in quantity - Freezing hard so that it bears our Horse - Washing done at twelve - M^{rs} Greyham hung out the Clothes - H.O. & Hannah spent the Ev^s with M^{rs} Stayner - M^r T Mewburn - J Stayner - the River covered with Ice - extremely cold - Froze the water in Cistern two Inches thick - in the Night -
- 44 March 19th clear & cold in the morn^g - Ice running - Ironing - M^r & M^{rs} Fitz^d - snowing in the Middle of the day - Allen came up to get some Money - Alx^r & the Boys, are to commence tomorrow - to see who can Read - spell & Cypher the best & keep their books the cleanest - for a Prize -
- 20th snowing heavily - snowed all Night - Snow two inches on the Ground - Wind northeast - Transit left Queenston & returned - snow continued till Ten at night - the storm cleared
- 44 March 20 off - it became quite mild - J Stayner stayed till past Ten -
- 21st clear and mild - a foot of snow in the ground - M^r Fitz^d sent some Celery seed and a Message to know if he could do anything at Niagara for us - M^r M^cPherson ~~took Pony to drive with his Horse~~ to St Catharines - is to bring Miss Hamilton back - Miss Hamilton came with M^r M^cPherson - H.O - H.J & Alx^r drove Pony to Niagara - H.J took
- 44 March 21 some pea soup & Mince Pye at M^cCormicks - M^{rs} M^cCormick gave H.J. an Ethiopean Lethy - two Monthly Roses & a Silver edged Geranium - Met Maria Child & Husband at M^cCK's Augusta gave me some Celery seed - M^{rs} Ross sent some Garden seeds - J Stayner M^r Tench stayed all Night - Letters from Jessie & Eliza -
- 22 fine morn^g - Ironed Alx^r read - M^r Fitz^d sent for his Flower-boxes- earth and all - M^{rs} Fitz^d sent
- 44 March 22 H.O - she being sick - Alx^r sent for the D^r
- Sowed early Cabbage Coriander - Saffron - and Flower seeds & Bulbous roots - from M^{rs} Tenches Alx^r went on Pony for the D^r - M^{rs} Fitz^d had a son born at twenty minutes before four in the evening - she was very Ill with Convulsion - H.O. remained all Night - T Stayner - W^m Duff - Cathⁿ raving - that it was not a Girl
- 23^d fine morn^g - H.O. came home at Eleven in the Morn^g - Maria quite Well Girls scrubbing - Baking T Mewburn - J Stayner mended three Pans for H.J.
- 44 March 23 M^r Tench drank Tea here - H.O. wrote to M^{rs} Freeman - went down to undress Maria's Child -
- X Set a Goose on nine Eggs
- 24th Sunday - fine clear Morn^g wind West - H.O. went to dress Maria's Child -
- 44 March 24 Cathⁿ & Hannah called on Maria - Co^{ll} Robert Hamilton dined here - the Transit did not come over - read the Service to my-self - J Stayner drank Tea here - M^r Tench drank Tea here - H.J. went to undress Maria's Child - nine O'Clock when she returned
- 25 Monday - disagreeable dark day - Ice running in quantities - Co^{ll} R^t Hamilton Breakfasted here -
- X took Hannah up to Chippawa with him -
- X H.J. put more Celery seed in a Box - M^r Tench- W Duff - Alx^r went to Lecture H.O & Cathⁿ went to see Maria and dress the Child - Transit began her double Trips - fine afternoon - Court opened -
- 44 March 26 Morning fine - Allen came to turn the Mangle & take up the Buckets out of the Well - H.O. went to dress Maria's Child - clouded up in the afternoon - some Rain in the Evening - H.O. went with Cathⁿ to undress Maria's Child - W^m Duff - T Stayner brought part of the Albion that we might hear the News about O'Connel -

- X Set a good on ten Eggs – made yest –
- 27 – Cloudy – Wind east – Letter from Augusta (little) – Rain in the Ev^s – H.O – Hellen
– 44 March 27 went down to Maria to undress the Child – Hellen returned – Cathⁿ and Alx^r joined H.O. and went on to M^{rs} Stayners – T. Stayner walked home with them – got very muddy Rain all Night – wind south
- 28^h Rainy dark morning H.O. gone to Fitz^d to dress her Child – H.O took the Children to see Maria's Child – and to undress it – caught in a shower – the Children got wet – Transit came in late – Alx^r went over the River for Tea –
- 44 March 29 Cloudy – dull morn^s – Ice running in abundance – H.O. gone to dress M^{rs} Fitz^d Child – Baking
Catharine suffering with Ear & Tooth Ache –
H.O. made H.J. three Caps – H.O. went to undress Maria's Child – T Mewburn brought a stole from Hannah – Letters from Jessie & Eliza – a Letter from George Jarvis – Alx^r went over the River with Jⁿ Guernsey – ~~at~~ ten at night snowing heavily – wind North – cold – M^{rs} Greyham's Cow calved –
- 44 March 30 Wind blowing hard from the North – snowing – snow several Inches deep – very cold – the storm abated about seven in the Ev^s – Transit did not come over – Set goose on Ten Eggs
- 31st Sunday – fine morn^s – mild Catharine – a little easier –
Ice running – Transit came in – M^r Tench – M^{rs} J & Lewis Stayner M^r M^{rs} Fitz & Child – Creighton W^m Duff – Ch^{les} Sinclair – cold in the Ev^s –
- April 1st fine morn^s – Catharine better & worse alternately
– 44 April 1st M^r Tench –
M^{rs} Grayham – washing
- 2 fine morn^g = Catharine better – Alx^r rode to Niagara with M^r Francis to hear Tom M^cCormick's Tryal – which was pot off till Ttomorrow – Cap^m Tench returned from Toronto –
- 3^d fine morn^s – high westerly wind – Catharine better – Helen complaining – looks very pale – John the Soldier taking down the Hall stope pipe –
Tom^s M^cCormick's tryal cam on this morn^s – report in the Ev^s that it was likely to
– 44 April 3 to continue all day tomorrow Eevidence much against two men taken Prisoner on the Canal – for Murder
- 4^h cloudy morn^s Alx^r gone for Eggs –
T M^cCormick found guilty Jarvis came over in the Transit – M^r Ttench – M^r FitzGerald – W^m Tench T Stayner – brought two Notes from Hannah – Rain in the Ev^s cleared off about nine – Helen sick – M^{rs} Greyham – scrubbing –
- 5 Cloudy – Good Friday M^r Tench – some Rain this day –
- 44 Feb^y 6 [sic] rainy morn^s –
- X Children stayed from school – M^{rs} Greyham scrubbing – M^r Fitz^d Julia Hamilton – stayed all Night – brought up sundries of Calicos & a present from M^{rs} Ross to H.O. – Helen very sick – Hannah came Home from Chippawa in the afternoon – with Col^l R^t Hamilton – cleared up and now a fine day after twelve –
- X Tom^s M^cCormick received his sentence – Penitentiary for five years – unfortunate deluded young man – J & T Stayner Charles Sinclair
- 44 April 7 fine mild morn^g – Easter Sunday – H.J. Alx^r Jarvis & Caroline went to Niagara Church – Sacrament day – gave to the Poor 2/ dined at Augusta's – returned at five – the road very bad in different parts
M^{rs} T M^cCormick took our waggon to go to the Jail to see her Husband – who is to go to Kington the 10th – T M^cCormick sick – was bled
Saturday Night – M^{rs} Stayner – M^{rs} Creighton J & T Stayner – Ch^s Sinclair –
- X the Heifer calved in the Night – Helen kept her Mother up all Night – Julia Hamilton went to Chippawa – with her Father
- 44 April 9 [sic] fine morn^s – Alx^r sent for the D^r – D^r Mewburn came – M^{rs} Greyham washing – D^r Mewburn gave H.J. a Prescription for pain in the stomach – considered Helen dangerously ill – the Queen came over – Jarvis goes over to Toronto in the Queen – M^{rs} Creighton drank Tea here & T Stayner & M^r Tench – Thunder & Lightning – rain in the Night –
- 9th fine morn^{ng} – M^r & M^{rs} Fitz^d – D^r Mewburn bled Helen and put a blister on her side –
black Sanford called to see us – report that T M^cCormick was dead by Poison – sowed Bermuda Melons – wrote to Eliza & M^{rs} Freeman
44 April 9 M^r & M^{rs} Creighton
- 10 fine morn^s – sowed – Winter squash and round do – Water Melons – D^r Mewburn thought Helen better – but not out of danger – W Duff M^{rs} Creighton – J Stayner – Alx^r ~~went~~ drove down to M^r Stevens for Butter – went over the River for Tea –
- 11 – Cloudy morn^s – D^r & M^{rs} Mewburn – Helen better –
Cathⁿ received a Letter from Mary Peter Hamilton – some Rain – M^{rs} & J Stayner D^r & M^{rs} Mewburn Helen suffering much Pain
- 44 April 12 very fine morn^s – Helen better – M^{rs} Creighton brought a pot of jelly –
H.J.- Alx^r – Caro^{ne} Emma & Herbert went to Niagara called on M^{rs} Ross – received my quarter's Pension due 5th April 1844 – \$25 – of M^r M^cCormick – on the Bank of U Canada – gave my Check – lunched and dined at Augusta's – M^{rs} Ross gave C^{ne} & Emma a new Bonnet & lining – a belt to Herbert and each a p^r of Gloves – H.J bought stocking and other things with part of the Money she received – Borrowed five Books of M^{rs} Ross
- 44 April 12 M^{rs} M^cCormick came up in the Boat – Miss Nichol Miss Richardson – M^{rs} Creighton D^r Mewburn – H.J. much fatigued with the rough Roads Miss Thorburn brought some preserved Cranberries
- 13 – Very fine morn^s – D^r Mewburn here at half past Eight – Helen better –
Alx^r took the Carriage down to Fosters – to see what repairs it required –

- H.J. walked down to see M^{rs} Fitz^d – found her complaining with tooth ache – Head ache and pain in the Breast – she gave me some Calves Foot jelly – & some sweet Peas – Alx^r & George M^cMicken – M^{rs} Tench
- 44 April 13 Helen had a severe turn about nine – H.O. was going to send for the D^r when the Pain subsided – she was restless and thirsty all Night – M^{rs} Graham – scrubbing in the Ev^s –
- 14 – Sunday – fine morn^s – Helen apparently better but very week –
M^r Rowan paid us an other visit –
M^{rs} M^cMicken & Sons M^{rs} & J Stayner – M^r & M^{rs} Creighton – M^r Tench – Alx^r rode up to D^r Mewburn with a Note – the Children went to see M^{rs} Fitz^d – M^{rs} Gurnsey & Daughter
- 44 April 15 Cloudy – appearance of Rain – Helen slept without her sleeping draught Much better this morn^s – D^r Mewburn = M^{rs} Fitz^d – a light shower –
Hannah went to M^{rs} M^cMickens to Tea spent the Ev^s came Home at One O’Clock – a small party – the Children went by invitation of Master Alx^r M^cMicken – M^{rs} M^cM outrageous with him – Children came home quite disappointed and mortified –
The Party played at forfeits and throwing the Pillow – something new to H H H &
- 44 April 15 not very entertaining – Letter from Jarvis – Allen began the Garden to dig and put in the seeds – for five Dollars
- 16 – light Rain – M^{rs} Greyham washing – John the soldier beating the drawing-room Carpets
Tom M^cCormick was brought up in a Carriage to Queenston this day and put on board the Transit in Irons – to go to Kingston Penitentiary
George M^cMicken came up here – and gave his Mother a fright – not being able to find him –
- X Allen put in Onions – Rain in the Night – Letter from M^{rs} Freeman to H.J & H.O.
- 44 April 17 fine morn^s –
X Allen – put in Beets & bush Beans –
H.O. & Alx^r went to Drummondville – bought some stripe for Herbert’s Briches – and Tomato for Jarvis – M^{rs} J & T Stayner – M^r & M^{rs} Creighton Sandy – Eliza & Julia Hamilton stayed all night – M^r Tench slept here –
- 18 – fine cool morn^s –
X Carrots sowed – Eliza & Julia Hamilton went to Niagara –
X H.O. p^d C Brown 9/ C^y due – took a receipt
- 44 April 18 J Stayner –
- 19 – fine cool morn^s– D^r & M^{rs} Mewburn –
Pole Beans put in H.O & H H H went to Niagara bought some Marrow-fat Peas – begged some Lettuce and Parsnip seeds – Miss Smith –
Nichol^s & Richardson – J Stayner
Chief Justice Robinson came in – for the first time this year – set a White Turkey in the Fowlhouse yard – 9 eggs
- 20th fine morn^s – Alx^r went to Niagara with M^r Frances no school to day – M^{rs} & Miss Gurnsey
- 44 April 20 W^m Duff – T Mewburn J & T Stayner – Letters from Jessie & Eliza – a Letter from M^r Tench – saying he was going to Amherstburgh Helen complain^s of head ache
- 21 fine morn^s – Sunday Helen much the same D^r Mewburn – W^m Duff – T Stayner – C^{ls} Sinclair the Children went to see how Maria’s Child was – H H H drank Tea at M^{rs} Stayners = Augusta sent up word that M^{rs} Robinson was sick – as last year –
- 22 fine morn^s – M^{rs} Greyham Washing – M^{rs} Creighton spent the afternoon here – M^r Creighton – M^{rs} & J Stayner
- 44 April 22 called for the Girls to go to the Lecture – there was none – W Duff – set a Duck
- 23^d H.O. drove H.J. to St Catherines to see M^{rs} Robinson – found her better M^r R gave us some Rhubarb or Pie plant – Garlic – Sage savory & Parsley-
roots – broke our hind Axle tree – borrowed a lumber Waggon to go on and bring us back –
John Brown called over the coals by the Magistrates for Ill conduct – bound over to appear at Court – W Duff
- 24 Cloudy – some Rain – cleared up about twelve –
- 44 April 26 H.O – Alx^r & Herbert went for the Waggon –
X Planted Peas – Orack Carrots – & set out Celery Roots for seed – sorted the Onions for Pickling Cathⁿ & Hannah dined at M^r Stayners –
Cathⁿ walked out to M^{rs} Tenches – a light shower –
- 25 fine morn^s – M^{rs} & J Stayner – M^r & M^{rs} Creighton – W Duff – drank Tea here – Rain in the Night
- 26 Rainy Morn^s – M^{rs} Tench sent some Celery & Cabbage plants
- 44 April 26 which were put out immediately – J Stayner – W Duff –
- 27 – fine morn^s cold – Cathⁿ & Hanna drove to Chippawa – Pony had a shoe put on –
John the soldier came to mend the Fence – the Girls returned at half past six – J & T Stayner – W Duff – M^r M^{rs} & Master Fitz^d – H O sent a Cake to Jarvis for his birth day – some Towels & a shirt which he left to be mended – H H H bought herself a Bonnet – black Turkey set
- 28 Sunday fine Mor^{ns} – H.O Catherine – Alx^r & Emma
- 44 April 28 went to Niagara to Church – Jarvis’s birthday – M^r & M^{rs} Mills M^r M^{rs} Fitz^d & Children W Duff – H J had an Ill turn – supposed to be from eating an Egg –
- 29th Fine cool morning – Letters from Jessie & Eliza H.O. & Cathⁿ went over the River – bought a p^r of shoes for H.O – two pounds of Tea –
Julia & Jessie Ross – p^r stockings – Eliza & Julia Hamilton – W .B Robinson – M^r Tench H.J – cleaned the spoons & c & c J & T Stayner – W Duff
- 44 April 29 Eliza Hamilton stayed all Night – Rb^d H Caro & Herbert went to Niagara for a Box
- 30 fine morn^s –
- X John – soldier- began to put in the Potato’s behind the Fowl-house – is to have one Dollar & a half for so doing –

X No school to day – M^{rs} Greyham – scrubbing M^{rs} Robinson – Miss Thompson – Miss Hamilton two Miss Lions – T & Lewis Stayner – baking –
M^r W B Robinson – M^r Medleburgh –
44 April 30 lent Pony & Carriage to M^{rs} Stayner to go to Chippawa – F^{re}^{dk} Edm^d & W^m Tench
W^m Duff – J & T Stayner – Miss Smith – H.O. & H J walk^d down to see M^{rs} Fitz^d who was sick –

May 1st fine morn^s – Catharine – Miss Thompson & Edmund Tench went over the River – Hannah & little Eliza – Helen & Alx^r took a short drive – M^r &
M^{rs} Robinson called on Fitz^{ds} – H.O. & little Eliza went to see Maria – M^r Robinson went down in Transit to Niagara to have his things ready to
X go over to Toronto – set a Turkey on five Eggs
45 May 1 Oneida came in for the first time this year T Stayner – W Duff – brought us an apple a piece – very acceptable – rained very heavy in the Night
– H.J. had to get up and move her Bed –

2^d fine morn^s – H.O. – H.J. & M^{rs} Robinson went to see Maria – M^{rs} Robinson & Miss Thompson left in Transit for Toronto H.O H.J. – Alx^r & Herbert
walked down to the Boat with M^{rs} Robinson – The steam Boat Sovereign ran on a rock and was run on shore
44 May 2^d coming out of Kingston M^r Tench –
Cathⁿ – Hannah & little Eliza drank Tea with M^{rs} Creighton – H H H & little Eliza went out with W^m Duff for a Row on the Water – Alx^r went
with Lewis Sinclair over the River – brought home five y^{ds} Cotton which Cathⁿ had bought –

3^d – fine morn^s – transplanted some Saffron plants out of the Box
Catherine went to spend the day with Maria –
44 May 3 H H H & little Eliza called on Maria – on their way over the River to spend the day with M^{rs} Whitney – Alx^r busy taking down Catterpillers nests
and destroying the wretches –

X H.J. completed a night Cap for herself- not before it was needed – J & T Stayner Sandy & W Duff –
X bought six Turkey eggs of M^{rs} Williams for one shilling York – and put them under a Turkey – a gale of Wind at Toronto on the third at Night –
which blew the Church windows in –
44 May 2^d 3^d and did other damage – H J trimmed some rose Bushes – M^r Tench –

4 – Cloudy – Alx^r drove H.O. – Hellen & little Eliza Hⁿ to Chippawa – they are to remain two or three days Alx^r returned about nine at Night – M^r
Tench –

5 Sunday – clear – cool & Windy – Alx^r & Herbert went to Chippawa to bring M^{rs} Stayner Home – Caroline & Emma went to M^{rs} Stayners and
stayed three hours – letters from Jessie & Eliza –
44 May 5 M^r M^{rs} & Mater Fitz^d – T Stayner

5 6 Cloudy and some Rain – sent a Box to H.O. at Chippawa
X M^{rs} Greyham – washing – J Stayner – W Duff – M^r Tench – slept here – rained during the day cleared off at Ten at Night
X Allen put out Cabbage Colliflower & Tomata plants – finished an other night Cap – very Windy

6-7 Clear and fine – still high westerly Wind – M^r Tench went away – Cathⁿ & Hannah cleaning House – J.H. mending Carpet
44 May 7 J Stayner – W Duff – Coro & Emma took cream & milk up to M^{rs} Creighton H.J, folding Clothes

8 Cloudy – some rain – the Calf running all over the Field – M^{rs} J & T Stayner – W Duff – M^r Tench M^{rs} Creighton – M^{rs} FitzGerald drank Tea here –
Cathⁿ & Hannah cleaning house – H.J. mending Carpet – M^{rs} Fitz^d gave Hannah a new dress a Philpina Caⁿ had a dollar from Miss Innis

9 fine cool morn^s – C & H cleaning house – H.J. mending Carpet – Cathⁿ had a Letter from Mary Peter –
– 44 May 9 Hannah & Alx^r rode to Chippawa on Pony & Mare M^r Tench – drank Tea here T Stayner W Duff –

10 – Cloudy – C & H cleaning Halls and Breakfast room H J finished the Carpets – Girls ironing – Emma took some flowers to Maria – M^{rs} Seacord &
Stayners – J Stayner – rain all night with thunder & ligh^{ts} –

11 – Girls cleaning Garage H.J. Baking & making a pr of Pockets – Alx^r gone to Chippawa for his Mother – rain in the morn^s – Thunder & lightning
– 44 May 11 cleared off at eleven began raining about five – thunder & lightning Alx^r did not return – rained till ten at Night – gave J Stayner some seed
Beets & Garrets J Stayner – turned quite cold after the Rain –

12 – Sunday – fine cool morn^s Letters from Jessie – H.O. & c returned at half past four – T & Lewis Stayner – Charles Sinclair –

13 – clear – cold enough for frost Washing done – half past eleven – sowed saffron – Coriander seed – Everlasting Pea – put out Garlic – M^r Tench
M^{rs} Greyham quit the Cottage
44 May 13 turned the mangle – drank Tea here – rain in the Night –

14 – fine morn^s – H.J. cleaned the Candlesticks
M^{rs} T M^cCormick & three Children came to spend a few days – Miss M^cCormick – D^r Hamilton – M^r Tench J & T Stayner – W Duff –
X H.O. had the calf killed – fore q^{tr} weigh 22¼ 23¼^{lb} hind q^{tr} 30^{lb} each –

15 – fine clear morn^s – D^r Hamilton returned to Toronto – M^{rs} T M^cCormick spent the day with Maria
– 44 May 15 with her Children – H.J. cleaned the Room and setted it – H.O. drove H.J to Niagara foe some medicine – took Mary M^cCormick home – Augusta
gave H.O. some Tomata plants and some Candles – H.O. bought two Combs – one for H.J. one for Cathⁿ – M^r Tench drank Tea here & borrowed
Pony to go to St Catharines – W Duff drank Tea here – J & T Stayner Hannah drank tea with M^{rs} Creighton – M^{rs} Stayner sent to borrow the
Pony could not have him

44 May 16 rain in the night – Morn^s rainy – H.O cleaned the Calfs Head & feet –
Maria came and brought four oranges to H.J. – J Stayner – Rain in the night

17 – fine morn^s – H.O – H J & M^{rs} T M^cCormick walked down to see Maria – J & Lewis Stayner – borrowed a baking of Flour from M^{rs} Stayner – Lewis
milked the Cow –

- 18 fine morn^s – H.O. took M^{rs} T M^cCormick & Children to Niagar in the Carriage –
 44 May 18 and Herbert – Alx^r went in Transit to come Home with her – heavy shower about one – cleared up at two O’Clock – a fine afternoon – H.O. returned at five – brought Julie Hamilton up she stayed all Night – Hannah and Julia walked up to M^{rs} Stayners – J & T came back with them – M^{rs} & Master Fitz^d – M^r Tench –
- 19 – Sunday – H.O. – Ctⁿ & Helen went to Niagara Church – took Julia Hamilton back – a fine Morn^s – M^r Tench & J Stayner W^m Duff – White Turkey brought out 3 White one black Chicks –
 – 44 May 19 Hannah drank Tea with M^{rs} Creighton & spent the Ev^s –
- 20 – Cloudy – some rain – Alx^r drove M^r Tench to Niagara –
 X Washing done at twelve – Allen put in – Cucumbers – Melons Water Melons – Squashes – Rhubarb or Pye-plant – sowed Peppers in a Box planted four Almonds two cracked two whole Lewis Stayner = for Milk – J Stayner – Letters from Amherstburgh – Rain in the evening –
- 21 – gloomy – morn^s – cleared up at twelve – cold enough for frost – H.O. went over the River bought a White wash Brush returned in the Transit
 44 May 21 H.O. – Cathⁿ & Alx^r went to see Maria who was sick J Stayner – ev^s cold –
- 22 – fine clear morn^s – cool
 X set a Hen on 15 Duck eggs – H.O. – H H Helen & H.J. went down to see Maria found her busy packing up H.J. wound thread in the Ev^s Cathⁿ & H H H wrote to M^{rs} Robinson –
 X M^{rs} M^cCormick called – she came up with M^{rs} T M^cCormick who was on her way to Chatham with her two Children to stay with her Brother & James – Willy gone to his Grandfather to live –
- 44 May 23^d fine morn^s – Carpet taken up in the green Room – Girls scrubbing – H.O. H J mending the Carpet –
 X A Letter from Augusta C H –
 X Jarvis came home for the Holy-day – till the fourth of June – M^{rs} Fitz^d & son dined here –
 X J Stayner – returned the Pony – he had him shod H H H spent the Ev^s at M^{rs} Stayners – Wrote to Augusta H^m –
- 24 – fine morn^s clouded up at half past ten – the Girls scrubbing the Hall & back Parlour
 – 44 May 24 cleared off again H.O. – H.J. – Cathⁿ – Alx^r & Jarvis went to Niagara the Mare went by fits & starts Pony broke the Reins while standing in M^cCormicks yard H.O. & Cathⁿ drank Tea with Chetwood Hamilton – H.J. stayd all Night at M^cCormicks
- 25 H.J. spent the day at M^cC^{ks} drank Tee with M^{rs} Ross – slept at M^cCormicks –
- 26 Sunday – H.J. went to Church took the Sacrament – dined went to Ev^s church slept at M^cCormicks – young Holms came in played off a great supply of Military slang – an alternate to Wit and Satire – H Kings
 – 44 May 26 mill came in – polite as ever – H.J.’s eyes very week –
- 27^h – Monday – very fine – rather windy – and warm H.J. returned to Queenston in Transit accompanied by Julia & Jarvis Hamilton – found all busy finishing the wash – got a bottle of Bitters at the Apothecaries for H.J. – and Powders for the Children half a Dollar – not p^d charged to H.O. – M^{rs} Stayner & John & Tom – M^r Mewburn – W^m Duff – Rain in the Ev^s –
- 44 May 28 fine cool morn^s – W^m Tench – T Stayner – W^m Duff – Julia Hamilton went down to the Boat – very disappointed – the Rosses did not come – M^r Tench slept here – sent our Letters down
~~29~~ to M^r Cox for to go by M^r Kingsmill – H.J. weeding –
- 29 – fine morn^s – Julia gone down again to the Boat & went on in the Cars – with the Rosses – J. Stayner M^r Tench – slept here – Rain in the Night – discovered that the black Turkey had been robbed of her Eggs –
- 44 May 30 Rainy morn^s – Children did not go to school – M^r Tench went a way after Breakfast – J Stayner M^r Tench slept here – Rain in the Night – H.J. weeding in the flower garden –
- 31 – Clear morn^s then showers M^r Tench went away – H J sowed Onions – transplanted Orack – weeded one bed of Beets – J Stayner – H.O. Ctⁿ & H H H walked up to see M^{rs} Creighton –
- June 1st fine morn^s – very windy from the West – H.J. weeded a bed of Beets & half of one of Carrot Letter from Amherstburgh –
 – 44 June 1st Letter from M^{rs} Freeman H J pulled up Weeds in flower garden – J Stayner – Rain in the Night –
- 2^d fine morn^s – Sunday – read the service –
 White Turkey began to hatch – Cathⁿ – H H H – Alx^r & Jarvis went to Chippawa Church – H.O. H J & Helen walked down to see M^{rs} M^cMicken W^m Duff – J & T Stayner –
- 3^d fine morn^s – H.J. planted half a bed of potato Onions – Washing done at Eleven – Sowed Everlasting Peas –
 White Turkey has 6 young ones – J & T Stayner W^m Duff T. Mewburn = H.J. sent a letter to Cathy – H O went to Niagar to have Jarvis’s coat altered – Maria & Duncan sick – Co^{ll} Robert Hamilton turned out of the Boat – for sobeying [word illegible]
- 44 June 4th fine morn^s – mild – H.J. finished planting the potato Onions – sent some to M^r M^cMicken – J Hamilton arrived in Transit –
 X Jarvis Hⁿ going back in Transit – Alx^r went as Niagara with him & walked back – J Stayner – M^r Tench & Earnest Hodder slept here H J weeded part of bed in flower garden – A Man Cut his Throat at Pond John Housien and other is his Leg broke by a fall from the mast of a Schooner – two young Men upset in the Lake while fishing – T Mewburn
 – 44 June 4 and some others went out in the storm in a Boat and saved them – they holding fast by the upset Boat while the others towed them in – great credit given the young men – as several sailors refused to expose their lives to save those in distress – this took place on the third –
- 5 A gloomy morn^s – Co^{ll} R Hamilton came to Breakfast here – M^r Tench and Earnest breakfasted here = A slight shower about eleven –
 – 44 June 5 H.J. set up a Leach – Andrew Geddes drank Tea here – M^r Cox – Rain in the Night – H.J. finished weeding the Flower bed –

- 6 – Fine morn^s – H.J. weeded a bed of Parsnips – M^r Cox – J Stayner –
- 7 Cloudy morn^s – H J weeded two Parsnip Beds – H.O. & H.J. & Cathⁿ went to Drummonville & Chippawa – called on Maria – drank T with the Miss Hamiltons bought a new dress 4^{lb} Candles four Bars of Soap – Starch 2 Brooms – not p^d
- 44 June 8th Very fine morn^s – H.J – weeded an Onion – H.O – churned six pound of Butter – with one Cow Girls scrubbed House – H.O. & Helen went to St Cathⁿ with M^r Mills – H.J – Alx^r & Herbert went to Drummondville – drank Tea with M^{rs} Leeming – returned at half past eight – Edmund Tench H H H spent the Ev^s with M^{rs} Creighton – M^{rs} F-G gave some Flower Slips to H.J. –
- 9th – Sunday – cloudy – some Rain – Alx^r set off for St Catharines to join his Mother at 4 O’Clock A.M.
44 June 9 Henry Stayner came for Milk J Stayner –
- 10 Fine morn^s – H.J. rose a little after six – weeded the Celery and Cabbages – tied up the seed Onions – put up the Board of the Garden Fence –
X Letters from Amherstburgh T. Mewburn – J Stayner – M^r Tench stayed all Night –
- 11 – Very fine morn^s – Washing done at one H.J. cleaned the spoons – Candlesticks & Knives – and sink in Pantry M^r Thorn called to see H.O. The
44 June 11 Man came to see about the Mare – H.J. weeding
M^{rs} Hodder and Daughters M^r Tench – slept here –
- 12 X Weather fine – H.J. Churn’d with her Hand –
X M^{rs} M^cPherson let us have a quarter of Hundred of Flour – as a great favour – we having neither Flour or Bread in the House – M^{rs} O’Connor brought Helen’s Bonnet –
X Heifer sent to spend the day at M^cPhersons – Girls Ironing – H.J. weeding – J Stayner M^r Tench slept here
- 13 Fine morn^g – H.J. weeding Alx^r returned – brought a
44 June 13 Letter from H.O. M^{rs} Hamilton very ill – J Stayner – T Mewburn – Lock of front door broken – have to enter by the Parlour
- 14 – Weather very fine – Girls scrubbing – H.J. weeding Alx^r went to Williams for Flour – he was not at home M^r Mason – T Stayner M^r & M^{rs}
Creighton – M^{rs} Hodder slept here – M^r Duff – Wife and Children – came to see M^r M^cMicken – Letters from Jessie
- 15 – Weather very warm – foggy M^{rs} Hodder went to Niagar in the morn^s boat – M^r Tench T Mewburn – M^r Fitz^d – Alx^r M^cMicken – came to pick
44 June 15 Sstrawberries in our Field was refused on account of the Grass – Alx^r went for Flour – could not get any as he had no Money – Neither Bread or Flour in the House – John Askin – M^r O’Kief J Stayner – Charles Sinclair M^r Tench slept here – H.J. weeding –
- 16 – Sunday – fine and very warm – read the service by myself – M^r Mason – J Stayner & Hannah drove to Chippawa returned at half past Ten at
44 June 16 Night – Co^{ll} R^t Hamilton
– M^r Tench slept here Rain in the Night
- 17 Cloudy – some Rain M^r Tench went to Niagara in the Queen – borrowed M^{rs} Stayners Churn – found our own in the woodroom Closet – good
news shall not be necessitated to borrow again – M^r Tench lent Catharine two Dollars for Flour J Stayner borrowed the Marble Morter – set out Cabage plants – J & T Stayner – C Sinclair M^r Tench slept here Alx^r drove H.O. & Caroline to Thorold – got 50^{wt} Flour paid \$1-4 0 – rain in the Night
- 44 June 18 very fine morn^s – Alx^r set out for Hamilton to bring his Mother and sister H J – washed the breakfast things – kneaded up the Bread & helped
19– to Churn – had about 6^{lb} Butter – H.J. weeding J & T Stayner C Sinclair
fine morn^g – M^{rs} M^cMicken & M^{rs} Duff Letter from Jessie saying she was disappointed –
- 19 – fine morn^s – very warm – Girls scrubbing Milk & Meat-room – and Hall H J – weeding in the morn^s – working over the Butter – Duck has six
44 June 19 little Ducks – M^{rs} Street – Miss Ensign – three Master Duffs – two M^cMickens J & T Stayner – a letter from
H.O. saying Catharine Robert was very ill – H.J. weeded the Beans
- 20th weather fine and warm with a good deal of Wind – H J kneaded up Bread – cleaned the Pantry & Candlesticks – Hen came of with nine
Chickens – H.J. & Hannah went & called on M^{rs} Duff – all gone up to the Falls – Willy – going Home with his Father – Tomorrow morn^s – he was in low spirits – Sandy sick – T Stayner – M^r Tench slept here – Hannah walked up to M^{rs} Stayners –
- 21 – fine morn^s – H.J. finished weeding the Beans
44 June 21 lost her Thimble in the Garden – Hannah gone to Chippawa with M^{rs} Stayner to see the Miss Hamiltons – M^r Duff & Family left for
Amberstburgh – J Stayner M^r Jⁿ Askin and M^r Lunday Hannah brought some work from M^r Ross – Hellen came home in M^r Mills Carriage – Miss Mills came with her and returned after Tea –
- 22 fine morn^s – cloudy H J weeded one row of Peas – worked the Butter – M^r Jⁿ Askin – mended the
44 June 22 Doors – Jessie & Child and Eliza arrived about three – H.O. & Alx^r came Home from Hamilton after nine – Ev^s Edmund Tench – J Stayner Charles Sinclair – T Stayner – J Askin drove Hannah & Eliza to Chippawa – half past ten returned – reported Col^l Hamilton sick – T Stayner brought up Jessie’s Trunks from the Gate – the Omnibus driver refusing to bring them up the hill – M^r Creighton
- 23^d – Sunday – read the service by myself – Weather very fine
44 June 23 J Askin drove Hannah to Chippawa – W^m Duff – C Sinclair J Askin & Hannah returned at ten in the Ev^s M^{rs} M^cMicken = Miss Smith – M^{rs} J & T Stayner – C Sinclair
- 24 fine morn^s – high west Wind clouded up about one
J Askin mended the Locks of front doors – put the Hinge on Drawing-room shutter – played back Gammon with Cathn – lost a Bulls-eye to
Cathⁿ – went of in the Cars to Chippawa – H.J – weeding almost a row of Peas
44 June 24 Cathⁿ – Hannah & Eliza went to Niagara in Chief Justice returned in the Queen J & T Stayner C Sinclair – a little Rain

- 25 cloudy morn^s – H J weeded part of a row of Peas – Washing done at one H.O. & Jessie went to see M^{rs} M^cMicken – drank Tea there – a thunder storm sharp lightning – M^r Fortier C Sinclair – J & T Stayner played the Flute together – M^{rs} M^cCormick sent a q^{tr} of Veal – H.O. parted with the Loin to M^{rs} Stayner w^t 10^{lb} M^r P Barton- the party danced a quadrille on the Galery –
- 44 June 25
- 26 – some Rain in the morn^s H.J. weeded the Onion bed a part of the Carrots – M^r Fortier set of for Amherstburgh – M^{rs} Creighton – C Sinclair – H H H & Eliza drank Tea with M^{rs} Creighton – returned at Ten – Alx^r sent to tell them to come Home – Rain in the night – M^{rs} Muirhead & Jⁿ Lyons of Niagara died
- 27 – rainy morn^s – Girls Ironing – baking – too wet to go into the Garden – H J quilting –
- 44 June 27 finished the Quilt – Col^l R^t Hamilton drank Tea here – said he was going to bring his Daughter to live in the brick House next Week – He sharpened some Scissors and my pen Knife and made me a good Pen – showers attended with Thunder & lightning till ten at Night J Stayner – C^s Sinclair –
- 28 – Weather fine – high Wind – H.J finished weeding the Carrots –
- X M^{rs} Muirhead and Jⁿ Lyons buried – H.O & Jessie & H.J. & Alx^r drank tea at M^{rs} M^cMickens –
- 44 June 28 D^r Hamilton came over in the morn^s Boat – came up and sat an Hour with H.O. in the Ev^s – Hugh Richardson C Sinclair – J & T Stayner – W Duff – Law M^r Street and Miss Hosmer – at M^r M^cMickens –
- 29 a fine morn^s – H.O. Churned – H.J. weeded the Parsnips H.O – Jessie – baby Alx^r & Herbert went to Chippawa Mary – Fanny M^cCormick took the Bibs for M^{rs} Dickson H.O. returned at Eight – dined at Janes & Fitz^{ds} Ch^{ls} Sinclair – J Stayner
- 44 June 30 Sunday – fine morn^s read the service by myself H.O – Jessie's baby – Helen & Alx^r went to Niagara to afternoon Church – stayed to Tea at M^cCormicks – eight O'Clock when they returned the Girls walked out to see M^{rs} Tench – Sandy & W Duff – C Sinclair – J Stayner – rained very heavy in the Night – H.J. milked the Cow
- July 1st Monday – washing done at twelve – showery during the day H.J. weeded & earthed up the Celery – & some of the Cabbages –
- 44 July 1 Current-pudding for Dinner – Mary Jane Hamilton cam in the Ev^s Boat to spend some time Henry Richardson drank Tea here J Stayner – C Sinclair – Col^l Hamilton moved his Daughters to Hamilton – put them into part of the brick House – the Girls scrubbing themselves to death to get rid of the dirt – he as cross as a sour Crab-Apple –
- 2^d fine morn^s – H.J. finished weeding part of the Cabbages very tired from the Heat – the Weather very warm – H.J sorted the Clothes – and
- 44 July 2 put up a patch work Quilt to Quilt – quilted half a Frame – W Duff – C Sinclair T Stayner – H.J. set out a row of Celery – some Rain
- 3^d fine morn^s – H J finished the Cabbages and weeded part of the Rasberys – also the Melons –C^l R Hamilton came and took the Carriage without asking to go to the Whirlpool for Lime – free and easy – H J mended the stockings out of the wash and the Clothes – watered the Celery – H.O. Jessie – baby – Catⁿ H H H – Eliza – Mary Peter drank Tea at M^{rs} Creighton –
- 44 July 3 Mary Peter & Eliza went to Niagara in steam-boat returned in the Queen bought some Inersion-Ing and Vinegar for Jessie J Stayner – C Sinclair W Duff
- 4 fine cool morn^s – H.J. Quilting – H.O. Jessie & Alx^r drove down to M^r Johns place – got some flowers & Cucumbers – M^r Cox – C Sinclair – J & T Stayner – W Duff – Henry Richardson – Eliza & Julia Hamilton – they danced a Quadrille – Mary Peter played and sang –
- 5- fine morn^s – Jane Hamilton – Miss Charlotte Pow – Miss Anna Kingsmill – H.O drove H.J and Jessie
- 44 July 5 to Niagara H.J. received \$25 of M^r M^cCormick – it being her Quarter allowance from the Lords of the Treasury Due this day – Henry Richardson – H H H – H O – Maryjane & Eliza went down to Janes Mary Hamilton – H.O &c dined at M^cCormicks – returned about eight –
- 6 – Fine morn^s – rather windy – very warm – H.J weeded some in the garden – Quilted some – Catⁿ H H H & Maryjane went to Tea at M^{rs} Streets –
- 44 July 6 ten at Night when they returned Jane Hamilton – Hn^y Richardson W Duff – Ch^s Sinclair J Stayner – Mary Hamilton – Children went for Churn
- 7 Sunday very pleasant and fine – read the service by myself – M^r Tench – W Duff – H H H – Maryjane & Eliza gone over the River to Church W Duff – C Sinclair J Stayner rowed them – over the River H H H – Eliza Maryjane went down to see Jane – Julia drank Tea here – W^m Duff dined and drank Tea here – Sandy – H Richardson – C Sinclair – J Stayner – Willowby M^r Tench drove Jessie to Williams to eat Rasberries – Alx^r walked up –
- 44 July 8 Fine morn^s – H.J weeded part of the Raspberry Bed – Washing done at twelve – H.O – Jessie – Cathⁿ H H H Eliza & Maryjane drank Tea with M^{rs} M^cMicken – when returning home about Ten – found five men concealed in the grass – with sticks and Guns – at first they thought it was Cattle it being dark – till nearly treading on one he jumped up and cried out Fire – J Stayner and W^m went back to
- 44 July 8 ascertain who they were – when one threw a stick at W Duff John Stayner collared one and rolled down the hill with him – the Man being more powerful threw J Stayner and made off over the Fence they had either ~~Broos~~ Brouses or their shirts over their clothes – some had on dark coats and White Panteloons – and a mask on their faces – W Duff & J Stayner came & slept here – in case they should
- 44 July 8 have the presumption to come again –
- 9 – fine warm day H.J. weeded in the morn^s H.O – Jessie Herbert & Alx^r drove to St Davids purchased some Yest – 1/ a pound of Hops 2/ 4^{lb} Butter –
- Tole 5^d – Letter from Augusta – C Sinclair – J Stayner – W Duff H^y Richardson – J Stayner slept here – heavy shower in the afternoon –
- 10 – fine morn^s – H.J weeding cleaned up the Pantry –
- 44 July 10 M^{rs} Duff & Smith drank Tea here – W Duff – H^y Richardson J & T Stayner M^r & M^{rs} Creighton –
- X a man drowned at the lower Wharfe – Miss J & E Hamilton
- 11 – fine morn^s H.J. weeding – H.O. Churning M^r Tench hurt by a waggon squeezing him against an other –
- X H.O. drove H.J & Jessie to Drummondville took took six shirts she had been making for M^r Ross H.O – Jessie – Cathⁿ Hannah Eliza & Mary Jane drank

- 44 July 11 tea with M^{rs} Stayner J & T Stayner & W Duff came home with them – Mary Hamilton picking Currants – Ax George M^cMicken went into the Garden pulled up the seed onions – broke others off and pulled up a great part of the Lettuce – Edmund Tench drank Tea here – Jane & Eliza Hamilton –
Henry Richardson tied a Rope across the shed to H.O.H. gate – which pitched J Stayner down he took the Rope away to the annoyance of H Rⁿ
- 44 July 11 when he and party came for it –
- 12 fine morn^s – H.J. finished the Raspberry square Jane – Eliza Hamilton
A large Party came over from Toronto in the Admiral & the to go to the Falls – it was understood that the Irish from the Canal intended to oppose their Landing Orange men – the Troops were ordered up from Niagara – Queenston &c the Majistrates & Sheriff all assembled at the
- 44 July 12 Junction to prevent a Mischief – the Irish finding their scheme was frustrated said if the Orange men did not carry their Flags or suffer their Band to play – they might go on – the Majistrates complied – and they had no Fun – the Irish were all armed with Muskets – Pikes – spads – Shovels – Rakes and bladders – openly the other party had Pistols about their Persons
- 44 July 12 George Jarvis – T Mewburn – J Stayner Miss Ross – Jane & Eliza Hamilton – W Duff – Rain in the Night
- 13 Showery – H J picked a Mess of Peas & Beans Alx^r & Herbert went to Niagara – H.O – Carⁿ & Emma went over the River – Jessie had a Letter from M^r Duff – C Richardson – M^r Cox J Stayner – W Duff – dancing Quedrills in the Gallery George Jarvis – Lightning warm – Man began cutting the grass
- 14 Sunday –Cloudy some rain – oppressively warm
– 44 July 14 Hannah – Maryjane & Eliza went with H^y Richardson – W Duff to take a Row – Sandy J & T Stayner –
- 15 – Cloudy morn^s – H.J. weeded some – H.O. & Girls washing – Maryjane & Helen went over the River – ~~W.D~~ T Mewburn – J Stayner Rain all night –
X A scotchman Wife & two Children came into the Cottage at two Dollars pr Month –
46 cleared of from rain still cloudy
- 44 July 16 Rainy morn^s – rain ceased – cloudy part of the day – then fine – H.O & Jessie H H H – Eliza went down to see Jane – H Richardson – J Stayner W Duff –
- 17 – fine morn^s – H.J. weeded the Beans – earthed up some Cabbages picked some Beans – Cathⁿ Maryjane went to Niagara in the Queen – Girls
X returned in Transit – Cathⁿ brought H.J. a Letter from W^m B Robinson including twenty
44 July 17 one Dollars – answered said Letter the same day Cathⁿ Jessie & Maryjane drove to the Falls – Maryjane remained at M^r Streets – ten at Night before Cat^h and Jessie got home – Henry Richardson – Jane – Julia Hamilton –
X Scotchman making hay –
- 18 – fine morn^s –
X H.J. picked black & red Currants for Jam – Alx^r borrowed M^r Stayners Waggon to take in the Hay –
X A Man Tuning the Piano
– 44 July 18 for two Dollars – puts it in good order fixing the Hinges on and other trifling repairs – J Stayner –
Alx^{rs} birthday – he busy in assisting to get in the Hay – H.J wrote to W. B. Robinson –
~~49~~ R. J. Hamilton & Augusta – Emma took the Letters to Post Office – and stayed till Caro went for her – M^{rs} Stayner scolded her for staying without leave –
- 19 – Cloudy morn^s – a heavy shower about nine –
Pony took fright and threw Alx^r out of the Waggon
– 44 July 19 Alx^r had the pitch fork just grazed his Temple and past his Chest – no damage done to him or Waggon H.J. drove in from the garden by the Rain H H H went to sleep with Jane Hamilton – J Stayner – W^m Duff – George Jarvis passed through Queenston on his way to Buffalaw –
- 20 fine morn^s – H.J. picked Beans & Weeded some – H.O. sent for yeast – god for nothing – H.O – Jessie H J – Caro & Emma drank Tea with M^{rs} Stayner – J Stayner made H.J three Pens –
– 44 July 20 M^r Creighton gave H.O. some Cucumbers – Jessie's Baby not well – M^r Creighton & J Stayner walked home with us –
- 21 Sunday – very fin and Warm – H O Jessie Helen & Alx^r drove to Niagara Church – Hannah & Eliza went with M^r M^cPherson in his Waggon
The White Pigion killed the grey one, by picking its Head – Mary Hamilton A Letter from M^r M^cCormick – requesting me to look over my Papers &
44 July 21 ascertain what money I had received from Mes^{rs} Glyn & Co – J Stayner – W Duff M^r Cox – M^r Fortier Jessie had a letter from M^r Duff – commenced Jessie's quilt
- 22 – very fine morn^s – Churning – Alx^r tried to get a Man to help us in with the Hay – could not Lewis Stayner came & helped to rake up the Hay and brought in three loads J Stayner – H.O. & Jessie Hannah called on ~~Jase's~~ Jane –
- 44 July 23 Very fine morn^s – Washing done at twelve George Jarvis – Maryjane Hamilton came down from Chippawa – dined here and returned – H H H went up to M^{rs} Creightons in the Ev^s – M^r Creighton sent us some Beans & Cucumbers – Jane Hamilton – H H H – Eliza and Helen went down to see Jane – M^r Cox – M^r Prince M^r Fortie – J Stayner –
Alx^r with the assistance of Lewis Stayner got in the last of the Hay – a thundery shower – Alx^r & Lewis went over the river for Tea in the Queen & returned –
- 44 July 24 Cloudy – but pleasant – H.J. weeded part of the bed of Potato Onions – cleaned the Beans for Dinner – Clothes mangled & Ironed –
John & Clark Hamilton & Tutor came up in the Chief Justice – M^{rs} Stayner sent a basket of Squashes & Beets – and asked H H H to spend the day with her –
H.O – Cathⁿ & Jessie drove to Niagara – bought writing Paper – Ink powder – Jessie a Dress – & drank Tea at M^{rs} Chetwood Hamilton's – called at M^r M^cCormicks – who sent a Note to H J –
44 July 24 J Stayner – Edmund & W^m Tench – Mary Hamilton – Rain in the Night

- 25 – Rainy morn^s – till about eight – Alx^r went for Butter H.O. went to St Davids for Flour – Jessie mad her Raspberry Vinegar 27 Pints of Juice – Edmund Tench sent some cabbage, Cucumbers, Tomato's and Apples – quilted on Jessie's quilt – H.O – Jessie – Cathⁿ Eliza & Helen went to Tea with Jane Hamilton – M^r Cox – J Stayner –
- 44 July 26 fine morn^s – H.J. weeded the Onion-bed and transplanted a number of Onions
~~fine day~~ Catharine Robert came in the Transit – Lewis Stayner brought her up from the Boat – Cathⁿ went with Jane to Niagara – the Queen did not come in at Night – the Transit broke some of her Machinery coming over – J Stayner M^r Creighton – W Duff – Eliza slept with little Eliza – the Girls not returning –
- 44 July 27 fine morn^s – H J. transplanted part of a bed of Onions – M^{rs} Stayner sent some squashed and Cucumbers –
 Cathⁿ came home from Niagara – M^r & M^{rs} Chetwood Hamilton & Miss M^cCormick with her – who dined & drank Tea here – J Stayner – H H H went down to Janes – M^{rs} Duff – Cathⁿ & Eliza went and called on M^{rs} J Hamilton – Alx^r went to St Davids with J Gurnsey M^{rs} R^t Hamilton – H H H & Alx^r drove out – & called on M^{rs} Stayner –
- 44 July 28 Sunday – very fine – Henry Stayner brought some Squashes – Alx^r drove M^{rs} R^t Hamilton H.J. & Elia to Stamford – M^{rs} R^t Hⁿ stopped at her Uncles all Night – picked up Edmund Tench returning from Church – he drank Tea with us also J Stayner – H J. read the service by herself – H H H went to walk with Jane Hamilton – who drank Tea here – Cathⁿ & Jessie went to Kirk on the Hill – Alx^r took a Letter to M^r M^cLean – from his Mother –
- 44 July 29 very warm day – Washing done at 12
 H J weeded part of the Potato Onions – the Hens scratched up a number of the Onions H.J. transplanted on Saturday bad luck to them
 H.O. drove Jessie & M^{rs} R^t Hⁿ to Chippawa – M^{rs} R^t Hⁿ stayed with M^{rs} Fitz^d – H.O. & Jessie drank Tea with old M^{rs} Maclean returned about Nine –
 M^{rs} Frazier came down and went immediately on to Niagara – strange report about her Husband it is s^d he is living with an other woman in New York – J Stayner –
- 44 July 29 30 – dull morn^s a light shower about Ten – H.O & Jessie made Caroline & Emma a Frock – went down to Janes after Tea – Jane came home with then – J Stayner – W Duff H J finished the Potato Onions – rain in the afternoon
- 31 – Fine warm morn^s – H.J. Transplanted Onions – quilted some – H.O – H.J – Jessie & Alx^r drove to Field got 4^{lb} Butter – called on M^{rs} J Hamilton – a violent Gust of Wind – Thunder & Lightning – we drove fast to
 – 44 July 31 to avoid the Rain – very dark – the Moon shone out in the darkness and appeared most brilliant – we reached home without Rain – scarcely entered the House – before the Rain came down in Torrents for half an hour –
 Jarvis came home in the Queen – for two or three days – H.O. Jessie – Cathⁿ & Hannah drank Tea with Miss Jane Hamilton – got some Cucumbers from M^r Creighton – Hannah slept at Janes –
- 44 August 1 Fine morn^s – H.J. up at five transplanting Onions –
 The Blacks went up to the Falls – Music playing to celebrate their Emancipation –
 M^{rs} Ross – Beverley Richardson – drank Tea here – M^{rs} Ross brought H.O. a present of some Pico Tea – M^{rs} J Hamilton & Miss & Master George & Miss White – J Stayner drove Poney – Hannah & Jane to the Party – young Askin from Amherstburgs
 44 August 1 a shower in the Ev^s –
- 2 – fine morn^s – H.J. finished transplanting the Onions – Miss Bella Hamilton came with Miss White to practice her Lesson on the Piano – at six in the morn^s – Finished the half of Jessie quilt –
 D^r M^{rs} & Miss Hr^{ta} Mewburn – W Duff – J Stayner – Miss Jane Hⁿ – H.O. drove Jessie & Eliza to M^r Balls and drank Tea there – returned at half past nine – some Beans from M^r Creightons
- 44 August 3 fine morn^s – H J picked a mess of Beans – Girls scrubbing – Miss White and Miss Bella Hamilton here at six in the morn^s to practice her Lesson on the Piano – H.J. H.O. & Jessie quilted a part of the day – H.O. & Jessie drank Tea (by invitation) with M^{rs} Stayner J Stayner – two Eliza's with Alx^r & Jarvis drove to Fields for Flour & Butter – Cathⁿ Caroline Emma & Herbert drove out to M^{rs} Tenches- Rain in the Ev^s – Cathⁿ took a shirt to ascertain if it was made right to M^{rs} Tench –
- 44 August 4 Sunday – dull windy morn^s –
 Hannah – Eliza & Boys drove to Stamford Church & to bring Cathⁿ R^t down – she did not come – R^t J. Hⁿ came down with Augusta dined here and went to Stamford H.J. read the service to part of the Family – Sandy & W Duff – J & T Stayner – M^r Tench – Fred^k Tench – the Girls walked down to see M^{rs} John Hamilton – did not go in, for fear of the Dogs
- 5th
 – 44 August 5 fine morn^s – the Cite of Toronto came in dressed to take
 a Party to Hamilton
 Robert & Catharine Hamilton came down from the Falls – stayed all Night – J Stayner – Hannah – Augusta – Eliza – drank tea with Jane Hamilton – Jane walked home with them also Eliza – Cathⁿ & Hellen walked down to see M^{rs} J Hamilton – found Clark ill with Erysipelas – Rain all Night –
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 44 August 6 Heavy Thunder – sharp Lightning and a great fall of Rain – cleared off about seven – a fine morn^s
 sent a Letter to the Masonic Lodge N^o2 St Johns applying for relieve – as Widow to their grand Master W^m Jarvis Esq^r – R^t Jarvis Hamilton enclosed it to George Dugan – and mailed it –
 Thunder shower about two O'Clock – M^r & M^{rs} Stayner called on R^t & Catherine –
 R^t – Wife and Catherine left at half past two to go on board the Rochester – for Rochester on their way to
 – 44 August 6 Saratoga Springs – the Lightning of the morn^s struck a large Locust Tree near the Old Porters-lodge and sent it in all directions nearly across the Orchard – Jane Hamilton – J Stayner H.O. drove Jessie Augusta and Caro to Niagara H.O. purchased a Frock for Hannah – a shawl for H.J. \$2-4 0 – M^r M^cCormick sent H.J word that he had seven pounds 10/ for her – J Stayner drank Tea here – Amherstburgh Askin came
 44 August 6 over from Toronto spent the Ev^s till half past Ten – W^m Duff – Eliza & Julia Hamilton – Mary Hⁿ brought a bowl of stewed Plums – M^r Tench –

- 7 – fine morn^s – H J earthed up one row of Celery – gathered some Pink seed – Mush & Widows Tear for M^{ra} Tench M^{rs} Greyham washing Jessie's clothes – H.O & H H H & Eliza washing for the Family – Jessie and Augusta making a Pudding – Helen baking – sent it down to Jane to be baked – Jane, Mary Eliza & Julia Hⁿ J & T Stayner – W Duff – H H H – Eliza & Augusta went to Janes –
- 44 August 7
- 8 Cloudy – some Rain – M^r M^{rs} (& Children) Fitz^d & servant – left the Children here & Went on to Niagara M^r Cox – H J picked sage & Beans – H O drove H.J. & Jessie to Niagara – H.J. received twenty Nine Dollars 6 shillings from M^r M^cCormick – as due H.J. from the Bank of Upper Canada – H.J. received a Letter from N Wilson concerning the sale of Land – H.J. brought 6½ yards of quilting at five pence at 2/4 four papers of Needles 2/8
- 44 August 8
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| four & half Ribbon | 3/5 |
| one y ^d of black silk | 2/ |
| a shawl | \$2½ – |
| Ginger – Pepper & sugar | \$2 3 0 – |
| Mugs | 0 2 0 |
| Ginger Beer | 0 6 |
| Bug Ointment | 2 0 |
- J Stayner – Jane Hⁿ Fitz^d drank Tea here –
- 9 Cloudy a gale of Wind – blew in one of the Nursery Windows – not broken – H.J. gathered some Beet & Carrot seed – M^r Holmes called with a Letter from Mary Jane Hamilton to Eliza – Foster came to look at the Cart
- 44 August 9 says it will cost \$3 to repair it – H.J. answered N Wilsons Letter – Jane Hamilton M^r Holmes called for a Parcel for Miss Maryjane Hamⁿ – A shower in the Ev^s
- 10 – fine morn^s – H.J. picked some celery seed – and some Brocoli Sprouts – Girls scrubbing – & baking H.J. Ironing her caps – H.O. sick in Bed with Bowell complaint – took some Medicine – and was partially relieved – M^r Creighton sent some pickling Cucumbers to H.O – Jane Hⁿ – Augusta went to see Julia Hⁿ – M^r Tench slept here –
- 44 August 11 Sunday – fine morn^s – Helen – Augusta Caro – Emma – Herbert Alx^r & Jarvis went to the Kirk – M^{rs} M^cMicken and four children – Sandy & W^m Duff – J & T Stayner – T Mewburn – Jane – Eliza – Julia Hamilton –
- 12 – fine morn^s – Washing M^{rs} Greyham assisting – Washing done at one O'Clock Bella Hamilton practising on the Piano – Mary & Jane Hamilton – T Stayner – R^t J Hamilton returned from Saratoga Springs A Letter from Catharine – Augusta went to sit with Julia – Hannah went with
- 44 August 12 Jane to see M^{rs} Creighton
- 13 – fine morn^s – H.O very unwell – [several words rubbed out] came for H.J they left Queenston at ten in the morn^s – for Hamilton – rested two hours at St Cathn – dined at M^r Mills – arrived at St Cath^{ns} at 12 O'Clock – H.J. had to leave the Table three times from Indigestion – proceeded on the Journey at twenty minutes before three – stopped at Beemsville ten minutes = watered the Horse – drove on to the Forly – fed the Horse – rested an Horse – H.J. while waiting for the Horse to eat his Oats
- 44 August 13 was reading an old Newspaper – when an ugly – dirty Woman entered the Room – stood before her and stared into her Face – then flounced into a Chair – started up & took a Back off the Table bounced into an other Chair read or pretended to do so for a few seconds then calls out to a man in the Hall – “William come to Tea – when in strides the Man W^m lays his black felt or Beavor on the Table and stalks into the opposite Room where the sound of Tea cups announced the beverage to be – now came
- 44 August 13 R^t J H to the door and H.J. stepped again into the Carriage – we drove on (it being past six) rather fast – the ev^s proved cool and it began to be dark – the Road not so smooth as it had been – of course not so pleasant – H.J. was more fatigued the last Eight miles then all the rest – we reached Rt^s House at half past eight – M^{rs} Robertson was going to bed – had her night gown on & a shawl – she gave us a cup of Tea and all retired to rest
- 44 August 13 H.J. slept sound – awoke in the Morn^g found it raining
- 14 – Breakfasted – sat down & read the Paper – at Ten M^r & M^{rs} Freeman came over – when H.J. returned with M^{rs} Freeman the day cleared off and remained very fine – Emily & Jane Jarvis & Herbert came up to see H.J. – walked out with Cathy
- 15 Fine morn^s – Emily & Jane Jarvis went to Toronto – M^{rs} O'Riely Miss Racey – M^{rs} Law Miss Gates – Augusta Hamilton M^r Harvis called in the Ev^s – dined H.J & Cathy with M^{rs} Robertson – Letter from Eliza
- 44 August 16 very close – cloudy – M^r Freeman drove me to Town – left the Spy Glass to be mended & a pr of Slippers to be made – called at M^r Jarvis's – Cathy got two pr scissors ground – bought some Pins – Powder Puff – Powder and soap – We had Rob^t Horse and Carriage returned Home very tired from the heat – drove to the Tolegate – Ev^s thunder & lightning a shower during the Night called at Rob^{ts}
- 17 – Very fine morn^s – and very warm –
- 44 August 17 R^t J Hamilton called to consult with M^r Freeman – on a Paragraph in the Express M^r & M^{rs} Freeman took a Walk over to Roberts – We are almost poisoned from the smell of a dead Horse thrown over the Mountain not far from the House – A Letter from Eliza saying Helen was again sick –
- 18 – Sunday – M^{rs} Freeman drove H.J. to Church heard a Sermon upon Neamans cure of a Leprosy – Rt Law walked with H.J. to M^r Jarvis's – where she dined & drank Tea – M^r & M^{rs} Freeman called for her on their return from the Beach
- 44 August 18 after dining with is Father returned to M^r Freeman had Tea M^r & M^{rs} Freeman read two Chapters of the history of the Church in three Hundred and ninety – R^t J.H. went to the Funeral of M^r Wright at Oakville – the Father of his childrens governess – began to Rain after we got home – continued all night
- 19 – Monday – raining steady – cleared off at nine – walked over to Roberts – dined there – met M^{rs} Mills – M^{rs} Freeman – H.J. returned home –
- 20 – Rainy morn^s [words rubbed out] off at Nine remained fine M^r & M^{rs} Freeman & H.J. walked up the Mountain – James Street came down
- 44 August 20 came down John S^t home – M^{rs} Ireland and Miss Wed called on H J – H J not well – on the Bed most of the Day –

- 21 Fine cool morn^s – M^r & M^{rs} Mills – R^t J. Hamilton – M^{rs} Robertson drank Tea here – Barny Murry an old servant came to see me – M^r Freeman went to R^t J. H^s to have a royal good smoke – a Letter from Queenston
- 22 – Cloudy dull morn^s – Rain – twelve cleared off – Rain again in the Even^s – M^r & M^{rs} Freeman & H.J. walked over to R^t J. H. – heard that Mr Street was dead –
H.J. got her baking and mustard
- 44 August 22 spoon back mended – cost 1/ each – the spy glass also 4/ Station Iron – 2/
- 23^d – Rainy morn^s – cleared off at nine – remained fine during the day – Moon shone bright – R^t drank Tea here – complained of being sick – H.J. received a Letter from H.J.H. with an account of M^r Streets death – M^r Freeman went to Town in the Ev^s – on business – H.J. ate some Pap was very sick after and went to bed – had the cramp during the Night very wrestles –
- 24 – fine clear morn^g – H.J. not very well – M^{rs} Freeman & H.J. walked over to Rt H – to enquire
44 August 24 how he was – some Rain in the Ev^s
- 25 – Sunday – fine M^r Freeman walked with H.J. to Church heard an excellent discourse on the subject of the good Shephard by M^r M^cMurray – walked back again – was not tired – Robert called he had Letters from his Wife who was much better – Miss White and three of R^t^s children dined here – rain all night
- 26 – fine cool morn^s – H.J. walked to Town with M^r Freeman – went to M^{rs} Laws – dined – drank Tea –
44 August 26 Miss Geale walked with me to M^r Jarvis's and M^{rs} O'Rielys – and to some shops – purchased some Crockery – Ordered it packed and sent on board the Eclipse to Roberts care – to be sent on to Queenston – by the Queen Steamer – six neck Han^dfs for H.J. at 2/ a Watch-key /10 – caught in the Rain – rained the rest of the Day and Night Rt J.H. called with his Carriage and took me Home – R^t H to start in the morn^s for his Wife –
- 27 – fine mor^s – a shower at half past nine – several showers during the Day M^{rs} Davidson – M^{rs} Jarvis
– 44 August 27 Herbert Jarvis – brought some Tomato's – M^r Freeman went to Dundas – half past Ten when he returned –
- 28 Dull morn^g – wrote to H.O. & Eliza – p^d Postage M^r Freeman would n take the Postage – two showers in the Mor^s Catharine – H.J. walked over P.H. Spring-field – C was very tired – M^{rs} Freeman returned to dinner at half past five – H.J. could not eat her Dinner except some boiled Plaice and a cup of Tea – Cathⁿ Beat H.J. at Back Gammon then doublets all the time when taking off – the Boy brought my Trunk
- 44 August 29 fine cool morn^s – M^{rs} Robertson called and brought two vials of medicine which M^{rs} Mills left for Hellen to cure the Rheumatic Fever – wrote and sent it by the Stage – M^r & M^{rs} Freeman walked into M^r P.H.^s field to gather some wild Plums – not ripe – M^r Freeman came home at half past five – a light shower – M^{rs} R sent H.J. some sage – Willy
- 30 Cloudy morn^g – showers Cathy picked- Sage – Parsly & Summer Savory – gave H.J. save and Savory – M^r Freeman late home half past five – he read the News-paper – a radical Piece – the writer was very confident of his own way of Governing –
- 44 August 31 cloudy – dull – warm morn^s – – William Hamilton – M^r Freeman came up at half past five – some Rain in the Night –
- Sept^{br} 1 Sunday the Morn^s foggy – M^r Freeman took M^{rs} Freeman to ride in Roberts Carriage and drove me H.J. to Church – H.J. stayed to take the Sacrement – M^{rs} Law walked home with H.J. – Miss Tayler walked with us part of the way – M^r Freeman went to his Fathers – returned about seven – when we took Tea – day clear about twelve –
- 44 Sept^r 1 foggy again in the Ev^s –
- 2 – dull warm morn^s – two O'Clock a shower H.J. finished hemming Cathys Flounce – M^r Freeman returned early – a Letter from Augusta saying she w^d be home on Tuesday – M^r F. brought some Peaches –
- 3 – fine morn^g – Robert Wwife & Augusta returned – M^r Freeman met them at the Wharfe – M^{rs} & Miss Law called and brought a ripe Melon – Cathy preserved Peached some in Brandy – finished making her dress – H.J. finished hemming her neck Handkerchiefs – H.J. picked Cucumbers –
- 44 Sept^r 4 fine morn^s – M^{rs} Peter and two Daughters – H.J. & Augusta walked to Roberts – then to Town – called on M^{rs} O'Riely – not at home – went to some shops – purchased a p^r of Elastic Garters – some rug Needles – and a hank of black Braid – for a garter – left Augusta's Para Sol to be mended – went to M^r Freemans Office – he took us to see the Picture Gallery – and walked home with us – half part eight J.P. Jarvis Jn^r called and sat an Hour
- 44 Sept^r 5 – beautiful morn^g – M^r Freeman busy p[corner of page missing] down the hill to make his Road up to the House – discharged his Irishman – M^{rs} Law sent some Tomato's & Plums – H.J. picked a few cucumbers – Cathleen brought Augusta & Kitten Augusta mourning because her Dog Beppo is tied up
- 6 – very fine morn^s – M^{rs} R^t H – Augusta & she drank Tea at M^{rs} Winers – H.J. picked Cucumbers –
- 7 beautiful morn^s – R^t J.H – before we were up – Old M^r Freeman – M^r & M^{rs} Bent and M^{rs} Smith – M^{rs} Bent M^{rs} Smith – M^r & M^{rs} Freeman
44 Sept^r 7 took a Drive – they all lunched here – Old M^r Freeman & M^{rs} Smith returned home – M^r & M^{rs} Bent dined & drank Tea & slept here – Augusta went to Town with them and walked back with M^{rs} Bent
- 8 Sunday – fine morn^s R^t & Catharine drove here and took H.J. & M^{rs} Bent to Church – and brought them back – three Children Christened, and three Women Churched – one couple called – the day very warm – M^r & M^{rs} Bent dined here – M^r F hired a Carriage and took them back to his Fathers – H.J. went with them – R^t took Augusta – quite dark when
44 Sept^r 8 we returned – and M^r raining – R^t Cathⁿ & Miss Augusta Peter – came in – in the afternoon –
- 9th morn^s dul – smooky some rain during the Day – Augusta went to R^t to learn of Miss Wright to make watch Guards – came back and read the Grand-father – alternately with Cathy – Robert came in the Ev^s – played back Gammon – H.J. wrote a few words to H.O.

- 10 dull – appearance of Rain – continued dull & smooky through the day Cathⁿ R^t came over to dinner Augusta went over to R^t to help M^{rs} Robertson Jane –
- 44 Sept^r 11 Cloudy – some Rain – H.J. & Augusta walked over to Roberts – Cathⁿ and R^t out riding – Cathⁿ returned with M^r Land Senior – loaded with Plums and Melons finished piecing a quilt & commenced another – while the Ro^{ts} M^r Bull & M^{rs} Wright came in – H.O. & Helen expected and arrived – R^t met them at the Wharfe –
- 12 dull hazy morn^g – H.O. and Cathⁿ R^t came over while we were at Breakfast – sat till twelve brought Helen over in the afternoon – who was very sick M^r Freeman drove H.O. & Helen back – Cathⁿ walked with her little Cathleen –
- 44 Sept^r 12 M^r Freeman attended the opening of Court – dined with the Judge (Jones) – returned quite sick with a Head Ache and went immediately to bed – Cathy preserved some Plums – that H.O. brought up and stoned some to dry – put some Pips into Brandy for Liqueur – Augusta Peter – Fanny Else & Baby called – A.C. returned with them and spent the day – Charly walked home with her & played draughts with her – he had the conquering game –
- 13 fine clear morn^g – H.J. walked over to R^t to see how Helen was dined there – Cathⁿ R^t returned with H.J. about five Helen very sick and had been all Night – Augusta went over to sit up with Helen – who was better and Augusta came back – past six when M^r Freeman returned from Court –
- 44 Sept^r 13
- 14 – very fine morn^g H.J. read in the late History of Canada – walked with Augusta to R^t Helen better – returned to Dinner past six before M^r Freeman came home –
- 15 Sunday very fine and warm – M^r Freeman persuaded H.J. not to go to Church Augusta went with him – Helen better – R^t & Cathⁿ – 44 Sept^r 15 drove to Flamborough East – M^{rs} Stock has another son – Miss Au^{ts} (Peter) Miss Durand – M^{rs} Robertson H.O. H – H.J. walked part of the way to R^t – meeting H.O. & M^{rs} Rⁿ returned – half dead with the Heat – M^r Freeman and Augusta went to Church – found it extremely warm – Helen better in the afternoon –
M^r Freeman went over to Roberts in the Ev^g – H.J. began to take Moffats Pills –
- 16 an other fine morn^g – Cathleen came over for the Pantelets – and said her Mamma sent for H.J. to go and dine with her – H.J. went and spent the day – M^r Freeman came home past six – R^t J.H. came over to have a smoke with M^r Freeman
- 44 Sept^r 17 an other fine morn^g – very warm – uncommon for the month of Sep^r – R^t J.H. drove H.O. & Helen over to spend the day here – and drove M^r Freeman to Court – M^{rs} Freeman – M^{rs} Smith – M^{rs} R^t Hⁿ H.O. Helen – mailed a letter to Catharine H.O. received a Letter from Catharine –
- 18th fine not so warm – M^{rs} O'Reily – Miss Racy – H.O. M^{rs} R^t Hamilton – M^r J Racy Augusta spent the day with Augusta (Peter) – Maryjane came home – after an absence of three months – brought Miss Cornwall & Brother up with her – R^t Law walked up with Augusta to M^r Freemans
- 44 Sept^r 19 fine and cool – H.J. invited to dine at R^t J.H^s H.O. Catharine R^t H.J. Augusta & D^r O'Reily & M^{rs} Jeecs in attendance on M^{rs} Freeman – at 25 Minutes after five afternoon she was delivered of a fine Boy – and doing well –
- 20 – fine morn^g – M^{rs} Freeman not so well – Child very good – H.O. Helen & M^{rs} R^t – X H.J. received a Letter from M^{rs} Robinson – M^r Freeman came to Dinner at five – ~~bro~~ brought my Watch – would not let me pay for it –
- 21 fine morn^g – Windy – not so warm – H.O. Helen – ~~dind~~ dined here – M^{rs} R^t Hamilton sent a Peach pye & some cakes
- 22 – Sunday – H.O. Cathⁿ R^t Freeman drove H.O. to Church
- 44 Sept^r 22 H.J. had a long talk with R^t J.H. – H.O. & Helen dined here – Miss Wright – Willy Agy & Henry Hamilton – W^m M Jarvis – Maryjane Hamilton – Miss Cornwall – had a Fire in the Ev^g – D^r O'Reily
- 23 fine cool morn^g – a Fire in Calh^{ns} Room – Catharine still complaining of soreness H.O. Cathⁿ & Robert – M^{rs} & Miss Palmer – M^{rs} Law – D^r O'Reily – sent for came in the Ev^g – bled Catharine applied Leaches – Poultices and gave medicine – H.O. remained all Night – appearance of Rain
- 24 cloudy morn^g – Catharine
- 44 Sept^r 24 free of Pain – very Weak but better – on the whole M^{rs} O'Reilys – Miss Racy – two Miss Wright^s – M^{rs} R^t Hamilton H.O. D^r O'Reily thought Catharine better – w^d not say out of danger – she must have much care taken – she had a good sleep from nine to twelve – after very light – child not well – wrestless –
- 25 dark cloudy morn^g – Rain during the day – R^t & Catharine – H.O. M^r Freeman received a Letter of Inteligence from the Governors Office that he was appointed Clerk of the Peace – a good thing for him – not less than £300 a year and may be £500 no despicable a sum to a money man – beginning in
- 44 Sept^r 24 the world – H.O.'s birthday – Cⁿ F not so well – better in the Ev^g – some Tomato's from M^{rs} Laws and Cherry Pyes & some Peaches from Catⁿ R for C Freeman – R^t & Catharine dined at M^r Freemans –
- 26 – Fine clear Sun-shiny morning – C.F. much better – Baby or young Clerk of the Peace quite well H.O. – Helen – & Catⁿ R^t D^r O'Reily –
- 27 – fine clear day – H.O. came & dressed the Baby & Catharine – returned to Dinner to R^t – came back with Helen & Cⁿ R^t – walked with H.J. to Town – purchased some Dishes
- 44 Sept^r 27 twelve Cups & Saucers – a Grammar & spelling – 2 story Books and a spelling Book for Herbert – some Hair-pins – called on M^{rs} Law – met M^r Jarvis – M^r John Ferric & Jasper Gilkinson – Master Palmer called Rev^d Geddes – M^{rs} Wedd – M^{rs} Law – M^r Freeman writing out assesment lists Augusta reading them for him – a good school to teach her to read writing and figures with facility –
- 28 – Cloudy dul morn^g H.O. & Helen – R^t came to the Door – Bottled up 15 Bottles of Catsup – sauce –
- 44 Sept^r 29 Sunday – H.O. – H.J. & Miss Wright went to Church in R^{ts} Carriage – dined at R.J.H^s – upon roast big Ducks – peach Pye – & Coffee drank Tea at M^r Freemans also R^t – Cathⁿ – H.O. & Helen – went to bed before Ten called at M^r Jarvis's to enquire how Henry was not so well – had a bad night

30 – fine cool morn^s – borrowed Roberts Carriage & Horse – Freemans servant went and returned morn^s visit M^{rs} Davidson – Palmer – Ireland – Wedd – Jarvis & Law –

[the dates for the following few entries are as in the Diary]

October 1 – fine day – dined at Roberts – & slept

– 44 Oct^{br} 2 fine day – H.O. – H.J. & Cathn drove to Roberts Lands – found her very ill – ate some Water Melon – threw it up again – dined at R^t Hⁿ and slept there –

Oct^{br} 1 at M^r O'Reilys drank Tea and spent the Ev^s – played Back Gammon with M^r O'Reily – he beat me – of course – being a better player and had much better throws – slept at Roberts –

2^d dined at Roberts drank Tea and slept there played at Cards – Cathⁿ had notice that her Mother would return on Thursday
44 Oct^{br} 2 rain in the Night H.O. & H.J. gave M^{rs} Freeman an white salted Road for her Bag –

3 fine morn^s – Breakfast and dined at Roberts M^{rs} O'Reily – Miss Racy H.O. – H.J. – Helen walked to see M^{rs} Freeman – packed my thing – ready to start in the morn^s for Queenston – slept at Roberts – M^{rs} Robertson – returned A Letter from Jessie & Hannah

4 Fine morn^s – H.O. – Hellen H.J. spent the day with M^{rs} Freeman – M^{rs} Robertson & Cathⁿ dined with M^{rs} Freeman Robert came in to Tea – M^{rs} Ingersol & M^{rs} Carol called – a heavy shower – the Boy left the Horse for them

44 Oct^{br} 4 untied – who set off with the Carriage – M^{rs} Carrol ran out and caught them through the Rain – when the Boy came and took them and this time made them fast – she showed by her speed that could make use of her Legs to some purpose if necessary –
Robert could not go this day without loosing his plank-path – H.J. & Helen staid all Night at M^{rs} Freemans –

5 – dull morn^s – up at four O'Clock – dressed and had Breakfast at six – Robert & H.O. came at eight for H.J. & Helen – started for Queenston – watered the Horses at Stony Creek –

44 Oct^{br} 5 drove to the Forty (or Grimsby) remained an hour to feed the Horses – drove on the Beemsville – dined and had the Horses fed – at twelve O'Clock – drove on to St Catharines fed the Horses – called on M^{rs} Mills – she had just received M^r Mills Brother two Sisters and Child from the States – remained an hour drove to Queenston arrived at half past six – growing very dark c^d scarcely see the Road up to the House met W^m duff at the Gate – who returned with us – T Stayner came in – we got our Tea – Robert took his Horses to Winns – the man (Hostler) cleaned the black Horse and said he shone like a Virginia – black snake – We went to Bed at Ten – slept sound

6 Sunday – fine – Robert set off

44 Oct^{br} 6 for Chippawa at six O'Clock without his Breakfast H.J. ate her Breakfast and kept it – Sandy & W Duff – J & T Stayner – C Sinclair – R^t Hamilton J^r & three Daughters – H.J. ate her Breakfast Dinner and Tea and retained it –

7 – fine morn^s – all hands washing – Jane also – Eliza came in & helped to hang out the Clothes also Mary – H.J. cleaned the Silvers Candlesticks & Knives – Picked the Hops – took them on the Gallery & Mary Hⁿ helped to pick them from the Stalks & Leaves – had a small Market-basket full
44 Oct^{br} 7 H.O. & Cathⁿ walked down to see M^{rs} J Hamilton – the Boys went for Butter – could get none – went to M^{rs} J. H^{ns} – the Dogs attacked the Horse – who reared and ran away – Alx^r drew him up – He did not break anything – Sandy & T Stayner drove back for H.O. and Cathⁿ – the Horse very fractious – H.J. and Cathⁿ had to walk down the Hill – with difficulty they got him Home – he was so frightened by the Dogs – cold in the Ev^s so we had a Fire

8 – fine mor^{ns} – Windy cool – Catharine went with M^{rs} J Hamilton to St Catharines – waited an Hour for M^{rs} J.Hⁿ

44 Oct^{br} 8 H.O. & H.J. walked up to see M^{rs} Creighton sat there an Hour – J Stayner – W^m Duff – the Miss Hamiltons – spoke to M^r M^cMicken – who s^d D^r Hamilton was to be over of Friday –

9 – fine morn^s – H.J. sat out some flower Roots – brought from Hamilton – the Girls busy mangling & Ironing – Cathⁿ and Eliza, with Jane & Eliza walked down to see M^{rs} J Hamilton – Hon^{ble} H.H. arrived this morn^s in Chief Justice

M^{rs} J H is to go down tomorrow much against her Inclination – she wishing to remain another Week – M^r Tench Edmund Tench drank Tea here and spent the Ev^s – Miss White – Bella Hamilton & David

10 – fine morn^s – high Wind from the West – Miss White – Bella & David Hamilton – M^{rs} J Hamilton – David – George & Jane M^{rs} & T Stayner – W Duff –

44 Oct^{br} 10 H.J. gave M^{rs} Stayner a paper of shawl Pins – some Rain during the day – Mary Hamilton –

11 fine cool morn^g – Miss White – Bella & David Hamilton H.O. drove H.J. & Helen to Niagara H.J. received her quarters Pension of M^r M^cCormick \$25 – spent six Dollars for sundries for the House – saw M^{rs} M^cCormick and her Daughters – we had lunch there of Bread & Butter and Preserved – H.J. parted with hers – called at M^r Roper – went to several stores – and to M^r Long to have him ascertain I was alive – borrowed M^r Stayners Carriage to go to Niagara – Augusta gave H.O. some Pears and Quinces to preserve – J & T Stayner – H.J. beat J. Str at Back-gammon – C Sinclair

– 44 Oct^{br} 11 Helen crying nearly all Night with the Toothe Ache –

D^r Hamilton came over in Transit – met M^{rs} Tench at Niagara –

12 – very fine morn^s – Miss Burges – Miss Purdon – Miss Julia Ross – Miss Jane – Eliza Julia & Mary Hamilton J & T Stayner – W Duff – Catharine went to Niagara with M^{rs} J Hamilton – dined with her – M^r M^cCaul & Jonny drove her Home and drank Tea here – M^{rs} Hⁿ sent some Ham and Flour to H.O. – Miss White Bella & David Hamilton –

13 Sunday – fine – cold – H.O. Cathⁿ – Alx^r & Jarvis went to the Niagara Church – borrowed M^r Stayners Waggon

– 44 Oct^{br} 13 received a Letter from M^{rs} Freeman – saying she had been ill from Imprudence answered M^{rs} Freemans Letter – wrote to Augusta – half past two H.O. & c returned from Church – J & T Stayner C Sinclair – W^m Tench – W^m Duff

14 – Rainy day – Washing Jane helping – J & T Stayner W^m Duff –

- 15 - cloudy morn^s - Jane came to help hang out the Clothes - Mary Hamilton - H.O. & Helen peeling Quinces and Apples to preserve -- H.J. putting away seeds -
- X Soldier came to dig Potato's at Eleven O'Clock -
M^{rs} Williams & Daughter -
M^{rs} Tench & Frederick J Stayner Frederick stayed all Night - Mary Jane & Eliza came up in the Ev^s -
- 44 Oct^{br} 16 Cloudy - some Rain - H.O. & Catherine borrowed M^r Stayners Waggon to go to Chippawa - bought 37^{lb} Butter at 1/- 3 bushels of Oats at 2/- Cathⁿ Bought 3 Dresses - one for herself - Eliza & Helen at \$4 - each - from Money given her by her Aunt John - a p^r of Boots for Eliza - M^{rs} M^cMicken - called - the Miss Hamiltons - J & T Stayner - C Sinclair - they turned the Mangle for the Girls - a Letter from Jessie - -
- 17 - Rainy morn^g - H O went to see Coll^l Robert - his Leg no better -- H.O. & Boys went over the River to purchase shoes for them - H.O. bought some Buttons at Brown's - M^r Tench - slept here - J & T Stayner C Sinclair - the Miss Hamiltons
- 44 Oct^{br} 18 Cloudy - some rain - M^r Tench Breakfasted here H.J. cleaned the Silvers H O & Catharine went and called on M^{rs} Hoddr - M^r Hamiltons Leg easier - a drisly Rain during the day - J & T Stayner - W^m Duff - H.J. hung up the Cloths out of the Mangle to dry - wound thread in the Ev^s - played back Gammon with J Stayner - heard that half of the Town of London near burnt - half past eleven the Wind blew a Hurican - blew a pane of Glass out of the Window in H.J^s room - she had to sleep in the spare room the Blinds got loose H.O. & Catⁿ were up and down all night - securing the Windows - the Porch Garden fence Gates - and other things damaged - Tree tops twisted off
- 44 Oct^{br} 18 all blown - the Gallery Roof nearly stripped - Barn doors blown open - an awful Night
- 19 - fine morn^s - Wind West very high and cold - the chimney of M^cPhersons blown down part of the Roof also - the shed at Robert Hamiltons both Fisheries carried off - the Mill on the opposite side unroofed - The Fences all around thrown down - the Cattle all in the Garden - ate off the Colliflower Leaves - what taste to leave the Flower - many thanks to them for the exchange - our Beds shook & we had fear that our Chimneys would have given away - at Guernseys Tanery they say the Beds rocked like a Cradle - the Whole Village was wide awake - up and stirring -
- 44 Oct^{br} 19 a Letter from Wee Augusta No Boats this day came in -
Reports that great damage was done by the storm on Friday at Buffalo - that 19 Bodies were taken up drowned before eight O'Clock on Saturday morn^s -
Miss Woods - Miss M Richardson - Miss M & Jane Hamilton - J & T Stayner & W^m Duff - C^{ls} Sinclair - M^r Tench - drank Tea & spent the Ev^s - - Soldiers worked all day taking in the Beets &c
- 20 - Sunday - fine - cold morn^s H.J. wrote to M^{rs} Robinson & to Wee Augusta - to S.P. Jarvis for the Sullivan Papers
M^r Tench dined here J Stayner -
The Queen came in to day - the Transit having been run against and injured - several Boats were
- 44 Oct^{br} 20 on shore at Toronto - at Buffalo - the Emerald drove up high and dry by the storm and many others - much damage done - several Houses floated away - the Inmates drowned one hundred and eleven reported to be lost - The Julia Palmer got safe into Buffalo from Detroit with 500 Passengers - a Man swam from her to shore and got assistance to tow her in to Harbour against the storm - the Chief Justice not yet heard of - nor any of the Lake Boats supposed to be out on Friday night -
- 21 - cloudy morn^s - cleared at 12 Washing - H.J. Quilting a Petecoat the Queen came in - & Chief Justice brought a Box with some things for Catⁿ & Eliza - all nearly spoiled - by being wet -
- 44 Oct^{br} 21 the Chief Justice lost two of her Boats could not use her engine - obliged to lash her Rudder and drive before the Wind in the storm - in the morn^s found herself near Queenston - the City of Toronto had five feet Water in the Hole - arrived safe - whole Families drowned at Buffalo - eighty Buried on Sunday after the storm - the Largest Boat on Lake Erie lost and several Schooners - M^r Tench - J Stayner sent a small Parcel to Jessie - by M^{rs} Woods
- 22 - fine, mild - M^r Tench - H.J. cutting vegetables - mending stockings in the Ev^s - J Stayner C Sinclair - H.O. - Catⁿ walked up to M^{rs} Creightons - Catⁿ & Eliza drank Tea with Jane - Baking till one in the morn^s - Ironing -
- 44 Oct^{br} 23 fine morn^s - Woman washing Counterpanes & Blankets - 18 in number - H.J. finished cutting the Beets &c - H.J. could eat no Dinner - the stomach rejected every thing - the St Laurence came in safe -
M^r J Hamilton sent H.O. six Bottles of Wine - one broken - a bottle of fish sauce and a bottle of Anchovie sauce -
Letters from Hannah & Jessie little Jessie had began to walk
Edmund Tench drank tea Here went away before nine - the drawing room shutters got loose - H.O. & Cⁿ get up in the Night to fasten them
- 24^h a lovely morn^s - the Woman came to hang out the Bedding
- 44 Oct^{br} 24 Mary Hamilton drank Tea here H.O. Cat^{hm} & Alx^r drove up to D^r Mewburns - to call on Miss Phillips -
- 25 fine - windy - cloudy & sun shine H J packed away the Carrots sorted Beets & Parsnips brought in the Onions & spred them to dry - very tired - Catⁿ & Eliza scrubbing House
Edmund Tench - J Stayner brought H.J. a Letter - from S P Jarvis - enclosing Indentures between Sullivan and H.J. - and saying that he had asserted that I had a Pension from Government which I had never denied - that I had other Property which eventually w^d bring me something though not much - the Property thus alluded to in in wild Lands - that has cost
- 44 Oct^{br} 25 H.J. nine Dollars a year for Taxes ever since H.J. had them granted to by government - two of said Lots were sold by S.P.J to extricate him from Difficulties occasioned by Building - one he S.P.J. - leased for six years last (commencing) - March 1844 - first year nothing - the second to be paid in Instalments of half yearly at six pounds Each which will be due eight Months hence - that is in July 1845 - had he S.P.J. exerted himself H.J. might now have been in receipt of forty eight pounds a year - which would enabled her to pay her Board, Washing & Lodging - instead of paying nine dollars a year for Taxes - out of her Pension of one Hundred dollars - amounting to the enormous sum of one shilling and four pence a day - considered
- 44 Oct^{br} 25 sufficient to maintain an old Woman in retirement - living with her Daughter - who has ten Children to maintain by the sweat of the Brow - and her House - strangers have seen her distress and come forward and placed covering on their Backs -
Mary Hamilton - brought H.J. some soup - w^d it not be better to bestow the \$100 to some needy person and live on future prospects of landed rents

- 26 – Dull Morn^{ng} – Cathn sent a Basket by the C^f Justice to M^{rs} J Hamilton – H.J. patched some Windows – M^{rs} W Richardson & son & two M^cMickens – J & T Stayner W Duff – C Sinclair – Eliza and Julia Hamilton – H.O – H J & Children walked to the store of Frazier and to M^r Stayners & Creightons Hamilton
A letter from We Augusta sent by Maria Fitz^d – put in the Post
- 44 Oct^{br} 26 at Chippawa – left me to pay the Postage ½^d –
- 27 Sunday – cloudy & cold – H.O. Helen & Alx^r gone to Niagara Church – Cathⁿ Eliza and Jarvis walked to Stamford Church – Children gone to Sunday School – M^{rs} C R^t Hamilton – M^{rs} & Miss Mills – Alx^r & W^m Duff – J & T Stayner – C Sinclair – H.O. returned at two – M^{rs} Mills set out for St Cath^{ns} at 4 O’Clock – H.O. called on Jane and begged a piece of Beef for dinner – snowing at half past nine –
- 28 snowing – the Gground with three Inches of Snow – H.J. cleaned Candlesticks & Knives
44 Oct^{br} 28 mended counterpanes &c H.O – Catⁿ Eliza – Alx^r & Jarvis rode down to the school House, to hear M^r Francis’s last Lecture – which was on Love – very severe on this of both Faces – they walked back – the snow above the knee – still snowing – W Duff J Stayner – the Boys brought in a Turkey that was sitting on four Eggs – she was buried in the snow except for her Bill – the Eggs cold – placed her in the House – do not expect them to Hatch – best to keep her from freezing – let her sit on –
- 29 – Snow storm continues – very deep – much drifted – our two Boys gone to school –
44 Oct^{br} 29 H.J. mended a Counterpane & some stockings – H.O. & Girls busy at their Needles – Helen getting Dinner & Baking – T Stayner – brought us the news of Henry Tenches Death – The Transit came in and went out again
- 30 – cloudy – snow storm ceased – H.J. stopped the Kitchen Windows – Helen getting dinner – Alx^r & Jarvis went to school – no school – Mary Hamilton drank Tea here – spent the Ev^s setting up a stocking – Charles Sinclair
- 31 beautiful clear morn^s – the Turkey hatched two Egg – a Hen came off with eleven Chickens – H.J. busy mending Car^{os} Petecoat
44 Oct^{br} 31 Children went to school & returned – no school – Baking – H.O & Girls busy making M^r Mewburns shirts
Jane & Julia Hamilton – J & T Stayner spent the Ev^s Chief Justices Daughter married to Capⁿ Thaychan – came over in C.J. & to this Place
- Nov^r 1 – cloudy morn^s – Boys packing away the Parsnips & Beets – Boys killed four Chickens – picked up the Potato’s off the Kitchen – floor – remained dull during the Day – Eliza Hamilton dined here – went to bed Early –
- 2^d – Cloudy morn^s – cleared off at ten – a Box containing 2 Ham and some Tea & 2^{lbs} sugar – by Transit supposed to be from M^{rs} Jⁿ Hamilton
44 Nov^{br} 2 Miss Jane Hamilton – J Stayner put a pane of Glass into the front Hall – T Stayner brought a Letter from D^r Hamilton with Money to pay the Tax – also a Letter from Jessie & H.H.H – borrowed the Mortyrs – Eliza went down to see the Girls
- 3 – Sunday – cloudy dull morn^s thawing – appearance of Rain Rain commenced about Ten continued all night – wind Easterly Mary Hamilton brought a Letter to H.J. from Cathy Freeman – dined here – M^r Tench drank tea here and slept – T Stayner – took a Letter to Jessie and an other to C Freeman – from H.J. –
- 4th – very dull cloudy morn^s dark appearance of Rain – Baking Mary Hamilton – came to make known her greivences – Jane scolding her –
- 44 Nov^{br} 5 very fine morn^s – Washing H.J. & Alx^r mending the front yard Fence – Alx^r picking up Nuts – Jarvis sawing Wood grumbling – picking out all the small – leaving the large for Alx^r t- he Boys took Janes Tub down Mary Hamilton came to beg yest – her Father returned from Niagara – cross as a Bear with Sore Head – M^{rs} M^cMicken & Child – M^{rs} Richardson – Miss Nichol drank tea here – Sandy Boys went to see Guy Fawx burnt we all look out of the Windows at the Rockets &c – H J mending shirts
- 6th fine clear morn^s – cold – Alx^r Jarvis & Herbert with Pony & M^r Gurnsy’s Waggon gone to Niagara H.J busy mending the Lantern – for
– 44 Nov^{br} 6 Alx^r – Alx^r brought one Gallon Vinegar – 1 stone Oatmeal –
H.O & Eliza spent the Ev^s at M^{rs} M^cMickens – by invitation – W Duff walked home with them – J & T Stayner – Jane Hamilton & Mary – Alx^r went down to M^{rs} M^cMickens for his Mother
- 7 – fine morn^s – H.J. & Boys taking up the Celery – H.J lost a great part of the Lye – Alx^r & Jarvis went to Niagara in the Transit – to the the Waggon repaired to be done next morn^g – Sandy & W Duff – T Stayner – C Sinclair – Letters and a parcel sent to H.H.H & Jessie Alx^r & Jarvis bought a needle Book each to send H.H.H & Jessie – Thunder – Lightning & some Rain
- 44 Nov^{br} 8 fine morn^s – Rev^d M^r & M^{rs} Leeming – Alx^r went to Niagara for the Waggon did not return till six O’Clock brought M^{rs} Frazer & Children up with him – borrowed one & a half Dollar of M^{rs} M^cCormick to pay for repairs of Waggon – but it cost two & half Dollars – M^{rs} M^cCormick sent 2½^{lb} Candles to H.O – Miss Jane & Eliza Hamilton came up to Mangle – H.J. & Boys packed away the Celery – 100 heads – H J picked over the Cucumbers and put the Vinegar over them – M^r Tench – T Stayner –
- 9^h Mild – cloudy morn^s – M^r M^cPherson borrowed Pony to go the plowing Match at Drummondville Stamford returned in the Ev^s – W^m Duff J & T Stayner – who held thread for H.J. to wind – Jane – Mary & Eliza Hamilton M^{rs} Frazer – making a Frock for Catharine – Miss Arnold H.J. mended three night Gowns for Children – Children went & picked up two Barrels of Apples
– 44 Nov^{br} 9
- 10^h Sunday – fine morn^s – rather cloudy – a shower – Alx^r drove M^{rs} Frazer & Children to Niagara – W Duff Letters from Jessie – H.O. & Eliza walked up to see M^{rs} Stayner drank Tea there – Alx^r broke both linch Pins of the Waggon – taking M^{rs} Frazer home – discovered it before the Wheels came off – M^{rs} Frazer jumped out of the Waggon with her Child in her Arms and took Augusta out after – Thunder lightning & Rain – at half past one – also in the Ev^s M^r Tench drank tea here – Catharine finished reading the life of Miss Gray –
M^{rs} Frazer took Cath^{ns} Dress to finish
- 44 Nov^{br} 11 cloudy – foggy dull H.J washing – Alx^r took home the linch Pin he borrowed – returned ate his Breakfast – he & Jarvis went to gather Apples gathered 3 Barrels of fallen Apples
Mary Hamilton – came to half pare Apples – M^r Tench – H.J. took down the Sink-pipes to clean and put them up again with Alx^{rs} assistance – W Duff – H.O read to H.J. a Lecture on Love delivered by M^r Francis the school Master – on his leaving the Situation – found it contained much truth – Thunder lighting and Rain – Eliza went to Janes – returned at Nine –

- 12 – Dull morning – Clothes hung out – Ironing – all dry and put away of three weeks washing
44 Nov^{br} 12 Rain from two till bed time – the Boys set out to take M^r Mewburns shirts – met the D^r at the post office, who took the shires home himself – M^{rs} J Hamiltons servant brought two Barrels of Apples to H.O and gave leave to gather as many as were wanted out of the Orchard – Alx^r a bad cold – for a wonder no one here this Ev^s –
- 13 – fine clear morn^s – cold in the afternoon – a hard frost in the night – Catharine & Eliza spent the Ev^s with Jane in absence of old Crab – Mary Hamilton – J Stayner who went to join the the Girls in a mirthful Ev^s W Duff seized 50 head of Cattle – they having been entered in the Custom House as only 36 – Boys brought two load of Wood and two Barrels of Apples H.J. made soft soap – mended stockings
– 44 Nov^{br} 13
- 14 – clear cold morn^s –
M^r Tench – M^{rs} Tench sent a Hogs Liver and nine of Pork – the Customs House Officer gave up the Cattle the Man making it appear that he was not in the wrong – H.O – Eliza & Helen walked up to M^{rs} Stayners and Creightons – called at Janes – Jane Eliza & Miss Ross – W Duff – C Sinclair – J & T Stayner spent the Ev^s here –
- 15th clear cold morn^s – H.O – Catⁿ & Eliza spent the Ev^s with Jane Mills The shoemaker & wife took possession of the Cottage at Night at \$2 p^r month –
- 44 Nov^{br} 16 Beautiful morn^s – Alx^r & Jarvis went to Niagara – returned with half a barrel of soft soap from M^{rs} M^cCormick – and a Box for Catharine – M^{rs} Fraizer sent Catharines Frock – Catharine walked out to see M^{rs} Tench – drank Tea with Eliza at M^{rs} Stayners – T Stayner came home with Catⁿ Mary & Jane Hamilton – Mills mended a p^r shoes for Caroline three shillings
- 17 – Catharine & Alx^r went to Niagara Church – dined at M^r M^cCormicks – began to Rain about one O'Clock – & continued till 7 O'Clock – M^r Tench – dined here and took Tea – M^r C Sinclair – T Stayner brought Letters from Jessie & Hannah – Augusta gave H O 13/2^b
Candles
- 44 Nov^{br} 18 Cloudy morn^s – Washing Mary Hamilton came to help hang out Clothes – H J trying to mend the Lanthorn
X Children began school with the new Master –
Mary Hamilton stayed all day till half past Ten – pared two pails of Apples – T Stayner – Eliza Hamilton – some snow –
- 19th fine morn^s – H.O – Cathⁿ Eliza & Helen went to Janes – and to M^{rs} M^cMickens to call on old M^{rs} M^cCormick – Miss M^cCormick came up to spend a few days – Mary – Jane & Eliza Hamilton spent the Ev^s here – C Sinclair – T Stayner – no Butter in the House – M^r Tench –
19 H J mended stockings &c
- 44 Nov^{br} 20 fine morn^s – mild for the time of the year – Foster borrowed the pleasure Waggon – H J & brought it home stinking of Fish and left it in the Lane and the Gate open
M^{rs} Fitz^d & Children came at four O'Clock and remained all Night
M^{rs} M^cCormick drank Tea with Cathⁿ M^r & Mary M^cCormick walked down to M^cMickens accompany her up – J. Stayner – Jane & Eliza Hamilton
- 21 – fine clear morn^s – M^{rs} M^cCormick reading aloud Handy Andy – H.O – Catharine Eliza and Mary M^cCormick drank Tea at M^r M^cMickens – J Stayner Ch^s Sinclair – M^{rs} Fitz^d & Children went up in the Cars – to Chippawa
– 44 Nov^{br} 21 Mills shoe Maker took Helen measure for a pr slippers – to cost 11/ Y^k –
- 22 – cloudy morn^s – Sun came out about twelve – clouded up again at two – D^r & Miss H^{sa} Mewburn – Miss T Phillips – M^r & M^{rs} & four Miss Balls – J & T Stayner – J Stayner read some of Handy Andy to us – caught Miss M^cCormick singing Old Robin Grey – to my ears delightful – because an old Favorite
- 23^d – Rainy morn^s – dark and gloomy scrubbing – baking – peeling Apples &c &c – M^r Tench & J Stayner C. Sinclair – H.O – Cathⁿ Eliza – Helen & Miss M^cCormick drank Tea with Jane – Jane came up after – Some Rain – M^cCormick brought *[words lost at edge of page]*
23 a Letter from M^{rs} Freeman –
- 44 Nov^{br} 24 Sunday – cold – cloudy – very high Westerly Wind – Cathⁿ & Jane and Jarvis gone to Niagara Church M^r & M^{rs} Mills dined here – Cathⁿ returned from Church – nearly frozen – M^r Tench – J Stayner Mary M^cCormick read the Bible to H.J. M^{rs} A M^cCormick sent 16 Candles – a piece of Beef and 6 White-fish & some salt Fish a real God send – there being neither Candles Meat or Money in the House – J & T Stayner – W Duff H.O – Cathⁿ Eliza and Mary M^cC^k wrote to Jessie & Hannah – all busy watching the progress of the Moon Eclipsed – M^r & M^{rs} Mills – drove home – snow in the Night – Transit went out & had to return –
- 25 – very cold – Wind still westerly very high – ground covered with snow –
44 Nov^{br} 25 J & T Stayner – W Duff – Mary M^cCormick finished Handy Andy – Alone – for a wonder
Went Early to Bed – H.O. had a sick turn – with dizziness in the Head – Caroline & Emma complaining of pane in the stomach Alx^r & Jarvis went to Fields for Flour & Butter could not get any Dark uncomfortable Day – Air full of Snow – but little fell – very cold –
- 27 – fine morn^s – cold – the Wind not so high – still west – Mary M^cCormick and Eliza walked up to the post office – H.J. chopped up some Beed & Potatos for Dinner Mary Hamilton – M^r Tench – J Stayner H.J picked two Geese – borrowed pail of Flour from Jane –
- 44 Nov^{br} 28 snowing not so cold – Boys went to school and left us no Wood cut – H.J. finished picking the Geese – cut up one and to have for Dinner – H.O – Cathⁿ & Eliza washing Mary M^cCormick washing Tea things Helen doing up the Bedrooms –
all much fatigued – J Stayner came in at nine O'Clock at Night just as we were going to bed
Alx^r & Jarvis went to M^r Williams for Flour – got half an Hundred – a soldier cutting Wwood in the afternoon Williams drawing Wood –
- 29 – cloudy morn^s – mild – Williams drawing Wood – Ironing & Mangling – Miss M^cCormick kneading Bread – H.J. mending Boys Trousers – A Letter from from M^{rs} E Robinson to Helen with
44 Nov^{br} 29 a Recipe to cure Hams & Bacon M^r Cummings – C Sinclair – W Duff J & T Stayner – Jane & Julia Hamilton Julia & Jessie Ross – spent the Ev^s here – H.O & H.J played Piquette – Mary M^cCormick read some in the Unloved –

- 30 – Cloudy – dull morn^s – scrubbing H.O. – and Mary M^cCormick peeling Apples – Baking – H.J. preparing Stuffing for a Goose for Dinner – Caroline mending her Apron & Caps H.J. mending things out of the wash & putting them away – Cathⁿ & Eliza asked to spend the Ev^s at M^r Creighton – did not go – it being very wet – extraordinary – no one here – some Rain in the Night – H.J. got up and went movd her Bed –
- 44 Dec^{br} 1 Sunday fine mild morn^s – H.O. & Alx^r drove Mary M^cCormick to Niagara – returned at Six O’Clock Augusta sent Cathⁿ a p^r of Walking shoes – some Fish – Butter & Candles – T Stayner – C Sinclair – Letters from Amherstburgh – Mary M^cC^k returned with H.O. –
- 2^d – cloudy morn^s – cleared about Eleven – Washing done – half past 11 – H J busy preparing the Gillets to cook – mincing the Beef – Mary M^c flying about like a parched Corn – M^{rs} M^cMicken sent for H.O. to go down – her Child having Fits – H.O. stayed till nine at Night – Cathⁿ & Mary M^cCormick drank Tea with Jane – Jane & Eliza came up – Old Crab took our Horse and Waggon to take Julia to Niagara – the linch Pin broke – he had to walk
- 44 Dec^{br} 2 Durhams and lead the Horse – on his return – J & T Stayner – W Duff
H.J. sent her Letter to C Freeman Jane sent some Butter and a piece of roast Beef – Mills – quit the Cottage –
- 3^d X very fine mild morn^s – H.O. sent a Butter-firkin to M^{rs} S.P.Jarvis – by Transit – Boys took it down – Starching Ironing & Mangling – Baking – & roasting Beef –
A Letter from M^{rs} O’Reily inclosing five Dollars to purchase lace to finish the little Caps –
A Letter from Augusta Caroline – written by Mary Peter – postage not paid – to be sent to M^r Freeman that he may know it – J & T Stayner – Cathⁿ & Mary M^cCormick walked to M^{rs} M^cMicken to enquire after her Child
Mary Hamilton –
- 44 Dec^{br} 4 Dull morn^s – mild –
M^{rs} Guernsey sent home the brass Kettle and one piece of fresh Pork many thanks to her – H.O. & Catharine drove to Niagara = to purchase Lace to finish M^{rs} Kirbys Caps –
no one here this Ev^s – Helen drank Tea at Janes and stayed all Night – her Mother not pleased with her – H.J. and her Dinner – disagreed – Mary M^cC^k reading –
- 5 – an other dull morn^s – mild – Rain in the Ev^s – Catharine walked out to see M^{rs} Tench – Eliza Hamilton Helen & Mary M^cCormick accompanied her to the Tole-gate – all got Wet – and had to change as seen as they came home H.O. went up to see M^{rs} Stayner – who is sick – found her better – M^r Tench – Mary M^cCormick reading the Gambler till half past eleven – the rest plying the Needle – Jane H sent some Sausages
- 44 Dec^{br} 6 Dark rainy morn^s – Mild for the season – J Stayner Jane Hamilton – Rain all Night two soldiers taking down the Hall stove pipe – Hugh Richardson with his band parading the street – playing a or before the doors of some –
- 7 – very dark rainy morn^s – Went round to the West blowing hard showery all day – Jane Hamilton came up to Mangle – H.O. washing M^{rs} Kirby’s baby things an Ironing them – Soldiers putting up the stove pipe – Girls scrubbing – Mary M^cCormick whipping Cap-borders and writing Part on the stove-pipe – H.J. cutting Patches – in the Ev^s peeling Apples – went to bed – awoke by H.O. to take some soup – Dreamed of throwing up a quantity of Phlegm – Baking –
- 44 Dec^{br} 8 Sunday – cold – high westerly wind fair morn^s – Geese sitting down to warm their feet – we arose too late to go to Church – rough Roads and very cold – stove smoking our Eyes nearly out with the smoke Mary Hamilton – M^r Tench – J & S Stayner – W Duff – drank Tea here – Letters from Amherstburgh – H.J. read the Sservice by herself –
- 9th fair cool morn^s – Washing – high Westerly Wind – Alx^r went to Williams for Flour – could get none – borrowed a pail-full from Jane –
W Duff came up for H.O. Catⁿ Eliza – Helen and Mary M^cCormick to go to the Lecture – W Duff & J Stayner returned with them and stayed till midnight – H J peeling Apples – Alx^r & Jarvis went seating – two of the Stayners fell into the Water doing bravado near a Hole –
- 44 Dec^{br} 10 cloudy dull dark morn^s – mild – Ironing – Mangling – Baking – the stove smoking – Doors & Windows all open – wind Easterly & H.O. Eliza & Mary M^cCormick drank Tea with Jane & spent the Ev^s – M^r Tench J & T Stayner – sold 10 Bushes of Ashes at 6^d – pr Bushel –
- 11 – Cloudy morn^s – very gloomy – Col^l R Hamilton came to see what was the matter of the stove pipe – found it put together all wrong side up – altered to to as to stop it smoking – Miss Whitney M^r Tench – J Stayner –
H.O. & Catharine – took Mary M^cCor^k home – Augusta gave H.O. some Flour – loaf of Bread – qt Mutton – piece of corned beef – & some Candles & Tea – and sent H.J. some Oat-meal – A Letter from Cathy to H.J. – postage not p^d – H J answered Cathy Freemans Letter –
- 44 Dec^{br} 12 beautiful morn^s – Baking – C^{tn} making button holes in M^{rs} Kirbys dresses
H.O. – & Catharine drove out to St Catharines with M^{rs} Kirby & things – to fine an opportunity to send them by a private Hand – they will go tomorrow – T Stayner – H.O. called to see how M^{rs} Creighton was – very ill
- 13 – Dark gloomy day – some Snow & Rain- Girls scrubbing – H.J. cleaning spoons &c – Eliza gone to drink Tea & sleep with Jane – Jane Hamilton – Boys shut up two Turkeys killed a Goose – H.J. pickd & cleaned it for cooking
- 14 – fine clear morn^s mild for the season – Eliza came home after Breakfast – scrubbing – Baking – sweeping Boys cutting Wood – Children busy emptying slops – M^r Gustavus Jarvis – from New Brunswick
- 44 Dec^{br} 14 a very fine looking young Man – much like W^m Jarvis his mole larger and fatter in the Face than he was at the same Age – stayed about q^{tr} of an hour – on his way to Lewiston – to go by the Cars for Barton and Frederickton – H.O. an Eliza went to call on M^{rs} Creighton – so muddy they could not go on – stopped at Janes some time – J Stayner walked home with them – Boys took Old R^t Rⁿ as far as the Pine-grove – then went to M^{rs} Williams for the Flour – Bran & Shorts of five Bushels of Wheat – and got it –
clouded up at 12 – some rain & snow –
- 15 – Sunday – dark – gloomy – snowing morn^s – H.O. & Eliza went to see M^{rs} Creighton and Jane – Catharine Eliza & Helen – went after Tea to see Jane – a Goose for Dinner – W Tench dined here – T Mewburn – J Stayner W Duff – H.J. wrote to Jessie & Hannah and mailed them –
- 44 Dec^{br} 15

- 16 – Ground covered with snow – dull – cloudy morn^s – some snow – M^r Tench sent H.O. half a barrel of Cider – Washing done at One O’Clock – clothes hung up in the House – all very tired – H.O – Eliza – Helen & Boys went to the Lecture – not very entertaining – T Stayner came up for them – two loads of Wood and a keg of Milk from M^r Williams
- 17 – clear morn^s – a pleasure to have day-light again – H.J made up two Caps – Helen Ironing – H.O making Mitts for the Boys – Catharine cutting out shirts – M^r Tench – J Stayner – Jane Hamilton spent the Ev^s – Alx^r went to be measured for a Coat H.O. received a Note from Augusta asking her – Girls down to Dinner on Christmas day and asking H.J to
– 44 Dec^{br} 17 a few days there – Williams Man called for his Bags and got them
- 18 clear cold morn^s – some snow H.J. mending her Pettecoat – H.O Cathⁿ & Eliza cutting and making their Frocks – Ev^s Cathⁿ sewing at the Shirts – M^r Tench – C Sinclair called for some Quinine for M^{rs} Creighton – Helen set the yest –
- 19 snowing – dull – dark morn^s Baking- H.O. & Girls making their Drapes – Helen finished H.J. Petticoat & mending Emma’s Frock H.J. mending stockings and Bibs – Cathⁿ & Eliza went to the shop for stay-bones – little Ross drank Tea here with the Boys – – H.O. sent a loaf of Bread to Jane – owing – W Duff –
- 44 Dec^{br} 19 [sic] cold- dull morn^s – H.J. feeding the Poultry – cleaning Knives & Candlesticks – Eliza washing Tea-things – Helen scrubbing the Nursery – H.O. & Cathⁿ at their Needles – Wrays Child died with Croop
- 20 Catharine went out to see M^r Tench & drank Tea there – W^m Tench walked home with her – Catⁿ called at M^{rs} M^cMickens = W^m Duff sat up late to try and finish their Frocks – did not succeed –
Boys took a slay ride – cut wood took care of the stable
Helen set the yest – a Child at the Rail road House died with Croop
- 21 – Dull gloomy morn^s – Girls scrubbing – H.O Baking – H.J. cleaning Silvers – Children at school – Catharine & Eliza went to Janes to have their Frocks fixed drank Tea there – Old Crab walked up with them – slept on the Sofa while Jane & the Girls Mangled –
44 Dec^{br} 21 J & T Stayner – some Rain
- 22 Sunday – an other dull Day – Rain – H.O could not go to Church went to see M^cMickens Children who were sick with Chicken Pox and Scarletina – M^{rs} C Seacord & Thorbborn taken very ill in the Night – H.J wrote to C.A Hamilton – C Sinclair and Robert Cummings drank Tea here – W Duff
- 23 – Cloudy – Washing done at two – H.J. picked a Turkey – Goose & Fowl H.J ate a bit of Fowl and threw up till 7 O’Clock – when she got rid of the offending morsel –
Letter from Jessie & H H H – J Stayner
- 44 Dec^{br} 24 H O. & Helen drove H.J. to Niagara – left H.J. to spend a week with M^{rs} M^cC^k – M^{rs} M gave H.O. a piece of corn Beef – some Candles – a loaf Cake – some other sweetcakes and some Pies and ten Dollars – as a Christmas Box – H.O. bought for Jane 2^{lb} Raisons & 2^{lb} Currants – with money sent by her –
- 25 – Christmas day – H.J. went to Church – stayed to the Sacrament – H.O. Cathⁿ Eliza – Alx^r – W Tench – M^r T Mewburn and Jane Hⁿ came down to Church were late – the three first stayed to Sacrament – H.O. had a Note from Fitz^d saying Maria had been very ill – he was in hopes she was mending having sat up a few minutes that day – H.O received a
from M^{rs} Kirby with twenty Dollars – for work done – Mary M^cC^k gave Catharine a Broom for a Christmas box fearing her hand would be out of Practice for the want of it – very considerate – seeing we had neither Money or Broom to eradicate the Dust & dirt – H.J. wrote to Cathy – informing her of Maria’s ill state of health and sent it by Jasper Gilkinson
Jasper Gilkinson & James Holms dined at M^cCormicks and stayed till after twelve – Holmes not very talkative – sparing of his Wit – M^r M^cC^k Tipsy – the rest not much better – for Dinner a boiled Turkey – Roast-beef Chicken Pye – Tongue – Potato’s Cauliflower – Turnips – Saddle of Venison – Plum pudding – Cheese-pye – Tarts
44 Dec^{br} 25 Custards – Raisins – Nuts – Apples Coffee- Tea – Cakes – Jasper brought M^{rs} M^cC^k the hind half of a Venison – a Box I believe of Champain & old Hoe – thus ended the celebrated day – H.J. ate more this day than she had for three month – without being sick –
- 26 – a gloomy day – a soldier Buried – snow all gone – Jasper returned home – M^{rs} M^cC^k gave him his Lunch to eat when at Beemsville – consisting of Mine pies – plum pudding – sandwiches – Venison &c &c – Family dined on Hash Turky – cold Beef – Vegetables – Tart H.J. on soup – Tea Bread & Butter Mary – Fan^y & Boys spent the Ev^s at the Sheriffs –
- 27 – dark gloomy day
H.J. making Iron-holder for Augusta read the Papers – Letters from W.B. Robinson – confirming the
44 D^r 27 report of his appointment of Inspector General – Miss Kiswick & Miss Cuthbert called on Miss M^cC^k – M^{rs} Dickson sent for her to spend the Day with her – Mary did not go – M^r & M^{rs} Mather called – much to the annoyance of the young Ladies – he being a school-Master – she a Vulgar Woman – who was unable to sit in her Chair quietly – in good society – spoke bad English – Loofers not People in society checked by the Mother – for [part word illegible]nality – by Ma^{ste} for false Pride did not care w^d never go again to call – no use in it – did not wish to call on any – that they should be ashamed of noticing in the Street –
- 28th a fine clear morn^s – rather cool – Augusta gone out –
– 44 Dec^r 28 H.J. suffering with her stomach reading a Magazine
M^{rs} Walter Dickson & Daughter Miss Hamilton – Miss Chanse – M^{rs} Barnon – – H.J. ate white Fish for Dinner – threw up a quantity of Phlegm – mended socks for Augusta – played at Cribbage with S^l M^cC^k and Piquet with M^r M^cCormick –
- 29 – Sunday – fine morn^s – H.J could not eat her Breakfast left the Table three times – this morn^g – went to Church in the morn^s dined at M^cC^{ks} went to Church in the Ev^s – a dark gloomy day –
- 30 – a dul – dark Windy day – Transit went out & returned –
30 – cleared of about half past three – H.J. played at Cribbage with the Boys = and was beaten – H.J. had a pain in her Chest all the Ev^s – took some Ginger tea –wrote to W B Robinson – concerning her Lots –

31 - fine clear morn⁸ - H.O. Alx^r Caro & Herbert came down from Queenston for H.J. - H.O. Alx^r & H.J. called on M^{rs} Ross - H.O. bought 7^{yd} of black Morina 9^{yd} wadding 9^{yd} plaid for lining the Cloaks for Cathⁿ & Eliza - 2½ Fringe also \$ 4 0 0 - some Bees Wax Pills allum - Paper & Combs Almanick blue Fringe - Crackers six p^r Woollen Gloves for Children \$ 2 0 0 (2^{yd} black Ribbon 2/ p^r Boots for H.O. 12/ - three p^r of the Gloves not paid two and four pence each - H.J. returned to Queenston - dark when they arrived - the Girls all appeared happy to see H.J. - a Letter from Jessie & H H H -
- 44 Dec^{br} 31 J & T Stayner - M^{rs} M^cC^k gave H.O a piece of neck of Beef - for soup

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Bath Brick - Moffat Pills -
Sink - pewter spoon
belt for Herbert - Blotting-paper
Pins - writing Paper - Allum
Beed-wax - Cribbage Board
blotter - Cathrn gloves for
Boys - - Almanick - Watering-
pot - Milk for Children
Thumb-latch + Atlas