Mary Agnes "Aggie" Cooper (1877 - 1964) 1916

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Sat Jan 1. "New Years day" quite mild with occasional showers, Willies also, Mother and girls here "Skating Rink opened for the first of season

Sun Jan 2. Mild and slushy, rather slippery. Aunt Nellie at morning Church. I went in the evening. Annie and Lizzie called.

Mon Jan 3. Fine but very slippery. I called to ask for Mrs Kelly.

Tue Jan 4. Fine bright day, moderately warm. Aunt Nellie at the dentists.

Wed Jan 5. Raining and very slippery. Miss Edey called

Thur Jan 6. Fine and much colder. Annie called in the afternoon.

Fri Jan 7. Fine bright day but cold. Aunt Mattie and I called at Mrs Kellys and Miss Edeys. I went to bandage rolling at Mrs Johns.

Sat Jan 8. Beautiful day, clear and cold. I was at the girls to tea with other girls. good skating

Sun Jan 9. Fine day. Aunt Nellie at church. Aunt Nellie and I at eve. church, Mrs Dewey and girls called

Mon Jan 10. Dull with a few showers. roads are a glare of ice some cutters but mostly wheels. Washed

Tue Jan 11. Fine and a little colder. I made Candy, 8, socks Auntie at Red Cross meeting.

Wed Jan 12. Snowing and sleeting then turned mild and poured rain in the eve, we had, Red Cross night at Rink made about \$70.

Thur Jan 13. Fine but colder and all a glare of ice.

Fri Jan 14. Fine but very cold, below <u>zero.</u> Aunt Mattie and I in Toronto at Aunt Lizzies for tea. I called to see Aunt Kate.

Sat Jan 15. Very cold and a little blustery.

Sun Jan 16. Fine but very cold and windy. Aunt Nellie at morning Church. the girls called. John Cook called, I went to evening church.

Mon Jan 17. Very cold and terrific wind. I walked out to Willies. Mary sick, and all have colds.

Tue Jan 18. Fine but terrific cold wind.

Wed Jan 19. Fine but cold. I was at Willies all day. Mary in bed. the rest some better. wheels out.

Thur Jan 20. Fine after a fall of snow, and much milder, sleighing again.

Fri Jan 21. Very mild and drizzling rain. snow nearly gone and very icy again. I was at Bandage rolling at Mrs Halls. Aunt Mattie at Mothers in afternoon.

Sat Jan 22. Strong wind, very icy and watery. turned a little colder at night. Aunt Nellie at Willies. I called at Miss Edeys in eve. no skating, got first Egg

Sun Jan 23. Fine and moderately cold. all frozen clean and dry. Aunt Nellie came home. Aunt M- & I at church.

Mon Jan 24. Fine, and quite mild, washed, Aunt Nellie in bed with a cold, called to pay for Coal.

Tue Jan 25. Fine warm day, very muddy, Mrs Peebles called. I went to Red Cross Meeting as Auntie could not go. Aunt Mattie went to see Willie Cook, who has broken arm.

Wed Jan 26. Very, very mild and roads very muddy.

Thurs Jan 27. Drizzling, and raining most of day. and still mild, water very high.

Fri Jan 28. Fine and turning colder. - all frozen hard by afternoon. I went to the Bandage rolling at Mrs Boyles.

Sat Jan 29. Fine but very cold East wind. skating, ice and snow nearly all gone, scarcely any to be found. we got <u>14 eggs in week</u>

Sun Jan 30. Raining gently nearly all day. was no person out to church, so wet and icy.

Mon Jan 31. Rather damp and very muddy. water high. Aunt Matie and I called to see Bowes girls.

Tue Feb 1. Fine bright day. but dreadful muddy. then turned quite cold and frozen up at night.

Wed Feb 2. Fine bright day and moderately cold. no snow any place. Aunt Mattie and I called on Mrs Gibson, and Felicia Cook. I went to see <u>Mary Dickinson</u> who is very low.

Thurs Feb 3. Fine but very cold wind all day.

Fri Feb 4. Fine and still cold. I called at Miss Edeys with book. I went to Bandage rolling at Mrs Halls. In eve, hens laying fairly well.

Sat Feb 5. A stormy day from the East. very fine and dry. not making sleighing. Mrs Edey called, in the evening. it cleared up fine about three O'clock. I was out in eve. big crowd at the Rink. lovely mild eve.

Sun Feb 16. Moderately cold. with a little light snow, Aunt Nellie at morning Church. Willie called. I called at Mr Davidsons, we all went to eve church.

Mon Feb 7. Fine but extremely cold wind, Mrs Langstaff called with wool.

Tue Feb 8. Fine and very cold at first 4 below zero. then a little milder and started to storm about two O'clock. very fine and dry. Aunt Nellie at Red Cross Meeting.

Wed Feb 9. Fine but very cold wind. Aunt Mattie at Mothers in the afternoon. Cutter out but not very good sleighing.

Thurs Feb 10. Fine but cold wind, and blustery at times. Mr Botham called, also Mrs Shutes.

Fri Feb 11. Cold and snowing all day from the East. very light and dry. <u>Willies butchering</u>. Annie and I out all day, Mrs Simpson called. came home in cutter.

Sat Feb 12. A blustery day with light snow from the East. Aunt Mattie and I at the Rink for a short time. Marjorie and boys there.

Sun Feb 13. Clear and very cold. Aunt Nellie at morning church. 6 below zero. Frank and Mrs Teasdale and sister here for tea. I went to church, opening with them.

Mon Feb 14. Fine but extremely cold, <u>16</u> and <u>18</u> below zero. Aunt Nellie and I at Miss Simpsons Social. \$15, Lizzie and Fanny Bowes called, also Mrs Davidson and Mrs Dixon. finished 14th pair of socks.

Tue Feb 15. Fine and moderately cold. Nelson Smellie and baby in for a while Sleighing fairly good.

Wed Feb 16. Fine and quite mild. I was at Miss Drevary funeral. Mrs Pearson, and Miss Kirby called.

Thus Feb 17. Very mild and sloppy, wheels out again. We were at Mothers to call. Mr Gibson called.

Fri Feb 18. Came a little snow then very blustery all day turning much colder. Mr Nesbitts, accident. I went to bandage rolling at Mrs Johns.

Sat Feb 19. Fine but very cold north wind I was at Rink for a while. below zero. no sleighing.

Sun Feb 20. A little light snow at first. Aunt Nellie at morning church. I walked out to Willies, children have colds. the girls called. I went to evening church.

Mon Feb 21. Fine but very cold, we washed. Annie called, 16 below zero.

Tue Feb 22. Fine and quite mild, snow nearly gone. Aunt Nellie at Red Cross. Aunt Mattie and I called at Mrs Cox. Mrs Peebles called.

Wed Feb 23. Fine and very mild, sleighing all gone. I went to Five Hundred at Mrs Balls, in eve.

Thurs Feb 24. Fine and mild. East wind. Mr Gibbs died.

Fri Feb 25. A heavy snow storm last night, very deep and light. stopped storming about ten O'clock, {Above it reads: Boyles} Bandage {Above it reads: rolling}

Sat Feb 26. Fine but colder and windy I went to Mr Gibbs funeral. Mary called, also Mrs Teasdale, John and Bruce. I went to Rink for a while. blustery in the eve.

Sun Feb 27. High wind and blustery. drifting the roughest of the season. some places on road drifted. the girls called. it calmed down about five o'clock. I went to eve-church.

Mon Feb 28. Fine but very cold. 4 below zero. the Concord School out at the rink. Mrs Willie Bowes called.

Tue Feb 29. Fine and very cold. Mrs Davidson called in eve to learn to knit. Miss Edey called in afternoon.

Wed Mar 1. Cold and clear, very calm and lamb like. day of big parade, Aunt Mattie and I in Toronto, girls in eve.

Thurs Mar 2. Fine and moderately cold, Aunt Nellie at Willies. I went to Girls Hockey match.

Fri Mar 3. Fine and cold. I went to Bandage rolling at Mrs Halls. Aunt Mattie went to Mothers.

Sat Mar 4. Fine and moderately cold, down to zero. Mr Peebles in and put screws in the ceiling. Mother and girls here to tea. Came a fall of light snow in eve.

Sun Mar 5. Fine and moderately cold. Aunt Nellie at morning church. I walked out to see Marjorie who has cold. roads rather drifted, very heavy walking. Aunt Nellie and I at eve church. Grant drove me part of the way home.

Mon Mar 6. A terrific East Storm, with Sleet and rain, as well as <u>thunder</u> and <u>lightning</u> in eve. cars are a little late. I did not go out in the eve.

Tue Mar 7. A good deal of digging Snow. Fine and bright. Wilsons sale. I was out in the eve.

Wed Mar 8. A stormy afternoon, drifting and light Snow. <u>Ash Wednesday</u>. I went to Toronto. The day of Prohibition parade.

Thurs Mar 9. Blowing a little then at night Snowing again. Mrs Davidson in the afternoon.

Fri Mar 10. Drifting from the west, the sideroad badly drifted in some places. I went to Bandage rolling at Mrs Atkinsons. rather rough. Cleared about six.

Sat Mar 11. Fine and bright but a great debth of snow everywhere. I was at Rink for a while.

Sun Mar 12. Blustery with light snow. Annie and Lizzie called Aunt Mattie helpt Mrs Davidsons baby in eve, snowed heavily in eve, Aunt Nellie went to eve church.

Mon Mar 13. Fine bright day, thawing a little. I went to Toronto in afternoon, called at Jennie Speights but she was out, called at Aunt Lizzies. out in eve.

Tues Mar 14. Fine and moderately cold. Aunt Nellie at Red Cross Meeting. Aunt Mattie and I at Mrs. Kellys. Mrs Reamans and Miss Edey.

Wed Mar 15. Very cold East wind, below zero. Willie called.

Thur Mar 16. Fine but very cold. Frankie Cox called. I had Annie's Snow Shoes on in eve. Lenten Service

Fri Mar 17. St. Patricks day. Very cold 4 below zero. I was at Guild Social at Mrs. Boyles in eve.

Sat Mar 18. Fine at first then a little light snow in afternoon. Charlie here for tea. I was at the Rink for a while in afternoon eve.

Sun Mar 19. Fine and moderately cold. Aunt Nellie at church, Annie and Lizzie called Aunt Nellie and I at eve - church. Mrs Davidson here in eve.

Mon Mar 20. Fine bright morning. we washed. clothes dryed came light snow in eve. Mrs Martin called.

Tues Mar 21. Fine day and moderately cold. Miss Edey called. alsola Mrs Davidson. Mr Bowse called for yarn. Mrs Simpson and Miss Mundey called.

Wed Mar 22. Fine day. I called at Mrs Lawrences in eve.

Thurs Mar 23. Fine and moderately cold. Auntie and I out. She called at Mothers and had tea. Aunt Nellie at Service. Lizzie and Fanny Bowes called.

Fri Mar 24. Fine and milder, Auntie and I at Lydia Wilson to say goodbye. Mr Baker died. I was at Bandage rolling at Mrs Boyles. Miss Morgan called.

Sat Mar 25. Fine and very mild. Grant and Herbert Clarke here for tea. I was at Rink, ice soft. Mrs Pearson and Cecile called in eve.

Sun Mar 26. Fine and mild. Mr Bakers funeral. Aunt Nellie at morning church, Annie and Lizzie called, Aunt Nellie and I at eve- Church, roads bad and water very high. Mrs Davidson here in evening. <u>Robins here.</u>

Mon Mar 27. Very mild and heavy rains. water very high the roads completely <u>flooded</u>. I was not out in eve. every one had a terrible time getting over.

Tue Mar 28. Fine bright warm day, Snow going nicely, water down Then it raised for a few hours very high. then settled about six O'clock, I was out again eve.

Wed Mar 29. Fine and mild, water going down ditch and all off the road. <u>Dam</u> went out in eve. <u>Buggies.</u>

Thurs Mar 30. Fine day. Snow nearly gone around yard but banks on side of roads. Aunt Nellie at Service.

{Piece of paper. Reads: Read 1916}

{Newspaper clipping. Title: Anniversary of War Declaration}

{Piece of paper covering previous diary page. Reads: 1916}

Fri Mar 31. Fine and warm, yard getting quite dry. I cleaned our feather bed. at Bandage rolling at Mrs Halls.

Sat Apr 1. April fool. rained heavily then cleared and cooler. Mrs Martin called, Mrs Lawrence called. Ida Clarke here. I called at Mothers to see Gladys Wallbridge in eve.

Sun Apr 2. Fine and cooler. Aunt Nellie at morning Church. John Ellis baby buried. girls and Gladys.W. here. I was at eve {Above it reads: church.}

Mon Apr 3. Fine but cool. <u>furnace out.</u> and I cleaned it out. We washed some for cleaning. I called at Miss Edeys in eve.

Tue Apr 4. Fine and mild. We cleaned upstairs took our bed room <u>carpets</u> up and <u>cleaned</u>. Mrs Bowes party.

Wed Apr 5. Fine and cooler. finished cleaning upstairs. Aunt Mattie called to see Mrs Kelly in the eve.

Thurs Apr 6. Fine after a fall of wet snowmaking muddy again. Mary Chapman called. Very cold at night.

Fri Apr 7. Fine but quite cold. Annie called. also Willie. I went to Bandage rolling at Mrs Atkinsons. Mrs Shutes here.

Sat Apr 8. Fine but cold East wind. came snow in the eve. Mrs Martin and Miss Boyle for yarn. Mrs Peebles and daughter called.

Sun Apr 9. Fine and cold. Aunt Nellie at morning Church. I was poorly last night. Aunt Nellie and I at eve- church. The girls called.

Mon Apr 10. Aunt M- washed some for cleaning down stairs. Mrs Peebles called. Mrs and Miss Boyle called.

Tue Apr 11. A heavy down pour of rain in the afternoon 127. Battalion came down. We were at Miss Edeys. Mr and Mrs Poole here for tea.

Wed Apr 12. Fine and moderately. Aunties and I in Toronto. My hat \$8.00. Aunt Nellie came home for Red Cross Meeting.

Thurs Apr 13. Fine day but still cool. Miss Edey called. Aunt Nellie at Service. Annie and E here in the eve.

Fri Apr 14. A heavy rain and water high, then cleared and windy. Aunt Nellie at Mrs Gibsons. Verner and Alice Cook called.

Sat Apr 15. Fine and much warmer. frogs out first. I was in Toronto.

Sun Apr 16. Fine but East wind, Aunt Nellie at Church. the girls called. Aunties and I at eve- church.

Mon Apr 17. Cold and showery most of the day. we washed and cleaned parlor ornaments. Mabel Welsh called.

Tue Apr 18. Very cold north wind. We cleaned <u>parlor</u> and dining room.

Wed Apr 19. Fine bright warm day. We cleaned <u>kitchen</u>, and did a little raking. Aunt Mattie did up parlor Curtains. Aunt Nellie helping to clean church. Mrs Martin called.

Thurs Apr 20. Cold east wind and showery. Cleaned up Chamber.

Fri Apr 21. Good Friday. a few showers. Aunt Nellie at church. Aunt Mattie and I called at Mothers. Lizzie and I for a little walk

Sat Apr 22. A dreadful rain last night. ditches and creeks overflowing. showery all forenoon. we cleaned wood shed. I called at Mrs Lawrence in eve.

Sun Apr 23. <u>Easter Sunday</u>. a few light showers. Aunt Nellie and I at early church. nine O'Clock. Aunties and I at evening church. the girls called afterwards.

Mon Apr 24. Cool and showery, then fine, roads very bad.

Tue Apr 25. Showery then fine and warmer. Aunt Mattie and I at the grave yard. Aunt Nellie at Red Cross Meeting. Mrs Shuter called.

Wed Apr 26. Fine and warm in the morning. we cleaned the Cellar, <u>the last of cleaning</u>. a very heavy thunder storm in the afternoon. (last seen.

Thurs Apr 27. Fine and moderately warm. <u>washed bed Clothes</u>. Aunt Nellie called at Mrs Thompsons and Mrs Lawrences. Aunt Mattie and I called at Mrs Atkinsons. who was out. also at Miss Morgans.

Fri Apr 28. Fine bright warm day. the most spring like day, I went to meeting at Mrs Johns. first sewing for the box. Aunt Mattie called to see Mrs Kelly. The roads drying a little but no seeding. James Appelbe called.

Sat apr 29. Fine bright warm day. Our apple trees trimmed. we cleaned up brush. I went fishing with girls. I went to Mothers to spend evening. Aunt Nellie at Miss Edeys in eve. Aunt Mattie called at Mrs Will, Martins.

Sun Apr 30. Fine and warm. Aunt Nellie at morning Church. the girls called in afternoon. Aunties and I at evening church. Mr Lawrence full charge at Thornhill.

Mon May 1. Showery. and warm. we washed, Aunt Nellie and I called at Mrs Littles in afternoon.

Tue May 2. Fine day, and cooler. I walked out to Willies. they were on the land for a while in afternoon.

Wed May 3. Raining heavily most of the day.

Thurs May 4. Fine but still rather muddy. Aunt Mattie at Doctor in eve. Janice Edey called in eve. <u>Cut</u> <u>lawn.</u>

Fri May 5. Dull and a few showers. I was at meeting {Between lines it reads: Lettuce and Onions in.} at Mrs Boyles. Will Martin putting in posts.

Fine and bright at first, then a few showers toward eve. Aunt Mattie and I in Toronto called to see Aunt Lizzie.

Sun May 7. Fine and bright and moderately warm. Aunt Nellie eat church, Willie here for tea. all at eve church.

Mon May 8. A heavy rain and thunder. then cleared and a terrific wind, Mabel Welsh called. Mr Gibson died.

Tue May 9. Fine and bright. Aunties at R. C. Meeting at Miss Wilcox. Annie called in the evening.

Wed May 10. Rained gently most of the day. Aunt Nellie and I at Mr Gibsons funeral. Aunt Mattie at Mothers in the evening.

Thur May 11. Fine but a terrific wind and cold all day. Aunt Nellie called -at Mrs Welshs.

Fri May 12. Fine bright -day. put in a little more garden Aunt Mattie at Miss Edeys in the eve. Aunt Nellie and I at - a meeting at Mrs Halls, Mrs Martins called.

Sat May 13. Fine bright day. Aunties and I at the Dam for -a walk. the girls called in eve. Mrs Bowes called, hens shut in.

Sun May 14. Dull with East wind. Aunt Nellie and I at morning church. Light showers in afternoon. Mothers and girls called. we all went to eve. church. The Memorial Service for Mr Gibson.

Mon May 15. Rained early in the morning. great downpour, we washed, Auntie and I called at Mrs Kellys.

Tue May 16. Dull -and showery. Mrs Clarke called. cut and trimmed grass. Sleet in the afternoon.

Wed May 17. Fine at first then squally -and high wind, Aunt Mattie called -at Mr Lawrence. girls called in eve.

Thur May 18. Cold and windy, -and -a few squawls and thunder,

Fri May 19. Cold and windy. Aunt Nellie called at Mrs Collins. a heavy shower in the evening, "Rainbow". I went to R. C. Meeting at Mrs Atkinsons, packing the box of Comforts.

Sat May 20. Fine bright -day but windy first day without rain for -a week, very bad for farmers. Aunt Nellie at M. Watsons in the evening, Aunt Mattie at the Doctors.

Sun May 21. Fine bright day and warmer. Aunt Nellie and I -at Church. Aunt Mattie and I for -a little walk. We all went to eve- church, the girls called.

Mon May 22. Rained heavily, most of the day. land very wet.

Tue May 23. Fine -and very warm. Sultry. Aunt Mattie and I called at Miss Wilcox, Mrs Smellies and Mrs Boyles.

Wed May 24. Victoria Day, all at Mothers to spend the -day. Aunt Nellie at Fair. Annie and I at Simpsons. let <u>Range</u> out. first time. very warm, hottest for years.

Thurs May 25. Fine bright day and cooler. Aunt Mattie at Bines for rhubarb, I weigh <u>127 pounds</u>. Dahlias in

Fri May 26. Fine bright day and moderately warm. We all went to Toronto. Aunt Mattie called at Mrs Gibsons. I called at Jennie Speights.

Sat May 27. {Above it reads: Baked in Coal Oil first this season.} A very heavy rain early this morning, some people done seeding, but others a good deal to do. Irene Chapman called also Mrs Martin. Aunt Nellie called to see Mrs Kelly, rain in eve.

Sun May 28. Fine bright warm day, after a very heavy rain through the night. Aunt Nellie at morning Church. Aunt Mattie and I in the evening. Mother and girls called. The subject of series of sermons. (Jachobed. {Jochebed from book of Exodus}

Mon May 29. A very Warm sultry day. we washed. Mabel Welsh here for tea. Started to rain in eve, and poured all through the night. ditches full in morning. Put in tomato plants.

Tue May 30. Fine and clearing and cooler. a little fire in range.

Wed may 31. Fine bright. cool day. we all went to Richmond hill called at Willie Cooks and Miss Page.

Thurs June 1. Fine bright cool day.

Fri June 2. A showery afternoon; then a terrific storm and rain in the eve- Mr and Mirs Peebles here for tea. I went to meeting at Mrs Johns, no person out on account of storm.

Sat June 3. Fine and cool after rain.

Sun June 4. Fine at first then a heavy shower in. the afternoon and eve- we were all at Willies to spend the day. I went to church late in eve-. W- not done seeding. <u>Deborah.</u> Sermon on

Mon June 5. Dull with occasional showers. Willie brought load of earth. Tinsmiths here. Miss Northgraves called, Lizzie and Fannie Bowes here in eve.

Tue June 6. Fine and cool. Aunt Nellie and I at Red Cross Annual Meeting. only fine bright day.

Wed June 7. Rained and dull most of the day. Annie Beside it reads: fire} called in the evening. Annie Mason called.

Thur June 8. A dull foggy day. with damp East wind. Aunties at the Doctor in the eve.

Fri June 9. Dull east wind. Auntie Mattie called at Mrs Littles. and just got home when a heavy rain came on.

Sat June 10. A few scattered showers. East wind. Mrs Martin called - - and M. Watson here in the evening. a little fire in range.

Sun June 11. {Below it reads: Hannah S. son Samuel} A very heavy rain early in the morning. "Whit Sunday," and dull East wind all day. we all went to evening church. <u>Our Lettuce</u> ready in abundance.

Mon June 12. Fine and gradually clearing, we washed.

Tue June 13. Fine bright clear day. Aunt Mattie and I went to Toronto, she remained at Aunt Lizzies who is poorly. Aunt Nellie at R.C. Meeting in eve. Mower wheels. 50 cts

Wed June 14. Fine bright day. Men cannot do much work as land still wet. Mrs Teasdales, George and Frank called in Auto, gave them also Marjorie some Lettuce.

Thur June 15. Dull East wind. Aunt Mattie came home in afternoon just as rain commenced. then cleared eve. {Above it reads: Agricultural pic nic at Wilcox Lake. Ida Clarke called in eve.}

Fri June 16. Damp. East wind all day. but no rain. I went to the meeting at Mrs Boyles.

Sat June 17. Dull then a heavy shower in the evening. Aunt Mattie called to see Mrs Kelly in the eve. Aunt Nellie at Mrs Bowes in eve.

Sun June 18. Dull and showery in the morning. Aunt Nellie at Church. the girls called. We all went to evening church.

Mon June 19. Rained in the morning. then dull and cool.

Tue June 20. Rather dull but no rain Auntie and I for a walk out to Willies bush. Mrs Breakey called.

Wed June 21. Fine day and clearing. Aunt Mattie and I at graveyard.

Thur June 22. Fine day but terrific wind and cool.

Fri June 23. Fine at first then showery in afternoon at Mothers in evening.

Sat June 24. Rained heavily in the morning, then thunderstorm in the afternoon cleared about five O'clock I went to. R.C. garden party at Mr Nisbet. a little fire in <u>Range.</u>

Sun June 25. Dull at first, Aunt Nellie at church clearing. Mother and girls called. We all went to eve Church, <u>Orange Sermon</u>

Mon June 26. Dull and showery, Aunt Nellie at Ex. Red Cross Meeting. I took Lettuce to Miss Mundey in the morning, I had <u>Auto</u> {Above it reads: with Carman}

Tue June 27. Fine bright day and moderately warm. Aunt Nellie at R. C. Aunt Mattie and I to see 220 York Rangers camped in Village. Strawberries out here 15 cents.

Wed June 28. Fine bright day, I went to see the Soldiers leave in the morning. Mother and girls here for tea.

Thur June 29. Fine bright day, and moderately warm. Annie called in the eve- I went for an Auto drive with Mr Farr and family.

Fri June 30. Fine day. Aunt Mattie at Drs. and Miss Edeys in the evening.

Sat July 1. Fine bright day. the girls called in the morning. alone rest of day.

Fine July 2. A thunder storm in the morning, no one at church., Aunt Nellie and I at eve church. Mrs Davidson in eve. Subject of Sermon "Naomi"

Mon July 3. Cool and dull, a few sprinkles of rain {Above it reads: Miss Edey called}

Tue July 4. Fine and quite warm. Mrs Davidson here in afternoon. Aunt Mattie at Mothers in eve.

Wed July 5. Fine and warm. our S. S. Pic- nic to Scarboro Beech {Scarborough Beach}, a grand day. Strawberries 15 ct box.

Thur July 6. Fine and warm. very dusty. Aunt Nellie at Mothers in eve, Bowes girls here eve.

Fri July 7. Fine but extremely warm. Mrs Smith here for tea and Mr Ness came for her. I was at Meeting at Mrs Halls.

Sat July 8. Fine but dull and cool, we were at Mrs Peebles for tea.

Sun July 9. Fine and cool but very dusty. We all went to Mr <u>Reives</u> for the afternoon. home by seven and Aunt Nellie and I went to church.

Mon July 10. Fine and warmer. we washed and ironed. Mabel Welch called also Mrs Peebles.

Tue July 11. Fine but very warm and sultry terrific dust. Red C.

Wed July 12. A very very warm day. Mrs Gibson here to spend the day.

Thur July 13. Fine and very warm, thunder but no rain. dust dreadful.

Fri July 14. A fine day and cooler. I went to Toronto, called at Aunt Lizzies. Aunt Mattie and I at grave yard in the eve.

Sat July 15. Fine and warm. Aunt Nellie and I called on Miss Harris. Annie and Elizabeth here in eve. paid coal. T {ton?} 4 x \$8

Sun July 16. Fine but extremely warm. Aunt Nellie at Church. Willies family all here for tea. Annie and Lizzie called. I went to evening church.

Mon July 17. Fine and very warm.

Tue July 18. Fine and warm. dreadful dust Mrs Peebles called,

Wed July 19. Fine and extremely warm. good hay weather but rain badly needed. Aunt Mattie at Mothers in the eve.

Thur July 20: Fine and still warm. and dusty.

Fri July 21: fine and still hotter. Miss Williams here on business. I was at Red Cross meeting at Mrs Johns.

Sat July 22. Very, very warm. intensely dry. Aunt Kate and Miss McKinnon called. Mary Watson here in the evening.

Sun July 23. Very warm, Aunt Nellie at church, Aunt Nellie and I at eve-church. Annie called in the afternoon. Mrs Davidson in, in the eve.

Mon July 24. Fine and very dry and dusty. Aunt N at Edeys.

Tue July 25. Fine and warm, everything baking with the drought. at R. C packing. Mrs Shuter called

Wed July 26. Fine and still extremely warm. 94 degrees at observatory. 97. here. Raspberries at 15 cts.

Thur July 27. Very, very hot, over 90, again. Aunt Nellie called at Mrs Boyles in eve. Mr Lawrence called Wednesday afternoon. showers out west but none here.

Fri July 28. Fine with a little cooler East wind. Annie here in eve. Mrs Martin called. Mr and Mrs Pebbles here for ice Cream.

Sat July 29. Still otter and dreadful dust. Oil on road out near village, temperature up to 94 in Toronto

Sun July 30. Fine and extremely warm. and dreadful dust. Aunt Nellie at morning church. Irene Gordon died at noon. Mr and Mrs Reive {Above it reads: Kathleen} here to tea girls called, terrific heat, 100 the official report, 104 - out here. Aunt Nellie at eve-church. <u>New Ontario</u> fire 300 or more lives lost.

Mon July 31. Cooler here after rain in Northern Ontario but none here. still very dry and dusty. (started)

Tue Aug 1. Fine and much cooler. Ada Bennett buried also Irene Gordon. Mary Watson here in eve.

Wed Aug 2. A few sprinkles in the morning, then warm I went out to Willies for tea. Mabel. Welsh, and Mrs Martin called,

Thur Aug 3. Fine and very warm I went to Willies, most of people done haying. W, has some out, some harvest in, we got cherries at M. Watsons.

Fri Aug 4. Fine and extremely warm. no R.C. Meeting Auntie at Doctors in eve.

Sat Aug 5. Very, very warm. Catholic pic-nic. Mother and girls called in the eve, then the girls and I went for a little walk. 94 degrees

Sun Aug 6. Very hot and intense smoke, dust terrific and very dry. Aunt Nellie and I at morning church, Mr Lawrence poorly. and no evening service I was in at Mr Peebles in the eve.

Mon Aug 7. <u>Civic holiday</u>. very warm. we washed. John and George Cook called in the afternoon. came a storm and rain about five O'clock. doing much good. as we had none for weeks. cleared in eve.

Tue Aug 8. Fine and warm the turned cooler. I went to Toronto- &- at Aunt Lizzies for tea. she is poorly. Irene Chapman here.

Wed Aug 9. Fine and very cool. I went to Willies in eve, Mrs Pearson and Ida Kirby called, at. Mr Lawrences and Dr Langstaffs, Aunt Nellie was.

Thur Aug 10. Fine and cool. Aunt Mattie at Mothers in eve. {Above it reads: Ida Clarke here for tea.}

Fri Aug 11. Dull and showery in the morning. Miss Corkery {Above it reads: Bowes girls called.}

Sat Aug 12. Fine and quite cool, girls at Pic-nic at Wilcox Lake. I did not go. Aunt Mattie called at Mary Chapmans in eve.

Sun Aug 13. Fine and cool. I went to morning church. Willie called in the afternoon. Aunt Nellie and I at evening church.

Mon Aug 14. Fine and very cool. we were at Mary Watsons for tea.

Tue Aug 15. Fine and a little warmer. Aunt Nellie in Toronto, M. Watson. Auntie and I for a walk,

Wed Aug 16. Fine and a little warmer. Aunt Mattie and I at grave yard. and Mrs Lawrence. plot paid \$2.00

Thur Aug 17. Fine and moderately warm. Miss Mundey and Mrs Simpson called.

Fri Aug 18: Fine and very warm. Auntie called at Mrs Langstaffs. <u>127 York Rangers.</u> left for overseas.

Sat Aug 19: Fine and very warm. a good many have finished harvest. I went for a walk. Lizzie Bowes called. E- finished H.

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Mon Sept 11. Fine and warm. we all went to Toronto. I got my suit \$22.50. hat \$7.50. peaches 50 cts.

Tue Sept 2. Fine day and warm. still very dry. Aunt Lizzie and Mrs Grevellish here to spend the day. Willie and Marjorie brought plumbs. R. Cross Meeting.

Wed Sept 13. Fine and warm, got pickling Cucumber. 30 cts basket. Annie here in eve. Mrs Simpson brought pears.

Thurs Sept 14. Fine and warm, pickling pears, and yellow pickles. Aunt Mattie at Mary Watsons.

Fri Sept 15. Fine day then turned much colder. Mrs Biggs and Farr here.

Sat Sept 16. Fine but cold. A little <u>white frost.</u> but no harm done. Aunt Nellie and I at Frank Martins funeral. Cleaned store {Above it reads: room}

Sun Sept 17. Dull and cold. Aunt Nellie at morning church, {Left margin reads: Sept 18.} Aunt Nellie and I at eve-church. Aunt Mattie and I out for a little walk.

Mon Sept 18. Fine and cold. white frost. Aunt Mattie cleaned outside of windows, downstairs.

Tue Sept 19. {Below it reads: <u>Range light first}</u> Fine and very cold. <u>Ice</u> for the first. got Plumbs at McGreggors. 35 cts small basket. Annie here in the evening. Annie here in eve.

Wed Sept 20. Fine and very warm wind. dusty, We all went out in Auto. called at Mrs Bowes. Whites Miss Duncans and Frank Teasdales. Mary Watson here for tea. Range light then out as did not need it all week.

Thur Sept 21. A good shower in afternoon but soon over Emma Morse here for tea. we went to the car with her. fine and warm

Fri Sept 22. Fine and warm. then a shower in the evening. Aunt Mattie called to ask for Mrs Kelly. Mrs Martin called.

Sat Sept 23. Fine at first Aunt Mattie cleaned windows upstairs. afternoon a little showery. Mrs Little brought. 6 lbs butter, 34 cents. I went to Mrs Lawrences for wool.

Sun Sept 24. Dull and cool. Aunt Nellie at Church, light a little fire in range. the girls called I was in at Mrs Peebles. we all went to eve- church. warmer in the evening.

Mon Sept 25. Fine and moderately cold. We cleaned <u>upstairs</u>. Mary Watson called. potatoes. 50 cts peck.

Tue Sept 26. Rained a very little. Auntie at R. Cross in eve. Annie called.

Wed Sept 27. Fine and very warm. Aunt Nellie at Richmond Hill with watch. Aunt Mattie and I helping to decorate at church. house quite warm.

Thurs Sept 28. Fine and very warm wind. We all went to the Thanksgiving Service. a terrific rain at night. dreadful getting home.

Fri Sept 29. Turning colder. and very cold at night. Aunt Mattie at Mothers for a while in afternoon. light <u>Range</u> and kept in over night. first time.

Sat Sept 30. A heavy frost ice again. Annie and I at the School Fair. Vellore {neighbourhood in Vaughan}. a beautiful bright day.

Sun Oct 1. Fine bright day. Aunt Nellie and I at morning church. Thanksgiving Service. Mother and girls called. Aunt Mattie and I at eve church. Range going.

Mon Oct 2. Fine warm day, washed and ironed, all plants frozen black. Miss Edey called. let fire out.

Tue Oct 3. Fine warm day. house warm without fire. Mr Davidson fixing doors of furnace. made Snow Apple Jelly. Mr and Mrs Farrell came also Carrie Smurthwaite we went for a walk. very warm.

Wed Oct 4. Fine warm day. Mr Farrells left. Aunt Nellie at Richmond hill. tea at Willie Cooks. we were at mothers in eve. sitting out in afternoon.

Thur Oct 5. Fine and warm out for a walk in afternoon Aunt Mattie and called at Miss Mundeys in eve.

Fri Oct 6. Fine and warm, Aunt Mattie up at Mr Watsons place in afternoon. Mrs Martin called.

Sat Oct 7. Fine and warm, no fire all week. Mrs Wallbridge came.

Sun Oct 8. Fine and warmer. sitting out all morning. Aunt Nellie at morning church. the girls called. Aunt Mattie, Mrs Wallbridge and I at Meth- church. Aunt Nellie at our own church.

Mon Oct 9. Rained at first very heavy then cleared. <u>Thanksgiving day</u>. Woodbridge Fair. we all went to Mothers for tea. <u>Range light & kept in</u> steady now.

Tue Oct 10. Fine and much colder. heavy frost. Auntie at Red Cross in the afternoon.

Wed Oct 11. Fine bright day. Cool. Mrs Wallbridge at Mr Farrs for tea.

Thur Oct 12. Fine bright day and warmer. Aunt Nellie and Mrs Wallbridge at Mausoleum. Annie and Lizzie here in eve.

Fri Oct 13. Rained nearly all day from the East. helping the ploughing.

Sat Oct 14. Fine bright day. Autumn leaves very pretty. I was at Mothers for a call. Mabel Welsh called. butter 38 cts.

Sun Oct 15. Fine. Aunt Nellie and I at Church. Lorraine here in the morning. Mother and girls here for tea. I went to eve-ch-

Mon Oct 16. Cool and windy. we washed. Mrs Peebles called. rained at night and high wind.

Tue Oct 17. Fine but very windy. Auntie took Mrs Wallbridge to Toronto. we washed, things for downstair cleaning. Mrs Martin called.

Wed Oct 18. Fine but cold East wind. Mr Peebles put up <u>Furnace pipes</u>. We cleaned parlor and Dining room.

Thur Oct 19. Rained heavily from the East all day. never ceased.

Fri Oct 20. East rain and thunder storm in afternoon. a terrific downpour for a while.

Sat Oct 21. Fine but cold west winds and dull. Mary Watson called in the afternoon. potatoes 38 cts pk.

Sun Oct 22. Fine bright day and moderately warm. <u>Willies family all here for dinner.</u> Aunt Mattie kept Lorraine morning and evening. Aunt Nellie at morning church. I went in eve- to church.

Mon Oct 23. Fine day and warm. Aunt Mattie and I in Toronto. called at Aunt Lizzie's.

Tue Oct 24. Fine and warm. Aunt Nellie at Red Cross. Aunt Mattie and I called to see Mrs Kelly. Mrs Pierce Robinson called.

Wed Oct 25. Fine but colder with wind.

Thur Oct 26. Rained a little then cleared and windy.

Fri Oct 27. Dull and showery at first. mild. Aunt Mattie tatting. Aunt Nellie and I at the Hall packing Christmas boxes.

Sat Oct 28. Fine bright day. and warm. Aunt Mattie called at Mothers. Aunt Nellie and I at the hall. addressing boxes. I called at Mary Watsons in the eve. butter 42 cts lb.

Sun Oct 29. Fine and mild. Aunt Nellie at morning church. Aunties and I walked to Willies in the afternoon. for a short time. Aunt Mattie and I at evening church. an ideal day.

Mon Oct 30. Fine bright warm day. we washed. William Morse died. Aunt Mattie and I went down. I returned in the eve. Mary Watson also Mrs Langstaff called.

Tue Oct 31. Rained in the afternoon thunder storm. Aunt Nellie went to Aunt Lizzies. I stayed all night at Mothers. Hallow'een".

Wed Nov 1. Dull with a few showers. I went to William Morses funeral. Marjorie here for tea.

Thur Nov 2. Fine and moderately cold. I called at Mary Watson in eve. Mick <u>dug garden</u> in the afternoon.

Fri Nov 3. Fine bright and warm.

Sat Nov 4. Cold East rain in afternoon. Plowing Match. a little thunder.

Sun Nov 5. Fine bright warm. Aunt Nellie and I at church. Mother and girls called. Annie and I at evening church.

Mon Nov 6. A heavy white frost and ice but a beautiful clear, bright, day. Aunt Mattie came home.

Tue Nov 7. Fine bright, warm day. Mary Watson called. Aunt Mattie walked out to Willies for a short time in the afternoon.

Wed Nov 8. Fine day, and warm. Aunt Mattie and I called at Mrs Littles in the afternoon.

Thur Nov 9. Rained heavily a good part of the day. Mrs Teasdale and Clara here to spend the day. potatoes <u>\$2.25</u>. a bag. butter <u>43cts</u>

Fri Nov 10. Fine and bright a little colder. bread 8cts

Sat Nov 11. Fine and cold after a heavy frost. Aunt Mattie and I out to the village in the afternoon. I called at Mary Watsons in the eve.

Sun Nov 12. Fine but cold East wind. <u>Aunties</u> and Mother at Willies for dinner. the girls called in the afternoon. Aunt Nellie and I at evening church

Mon Nov 13. Rain and sleet and a little snow, we washed, first <u>Snow</u> of the season.

Tue Nov 14. Fine with just a few flurries. very cold, Irene Chapman called. Aunt Nellie at Red Cross meeting.

Wed Nov 15. Fine and very cold. the coldest for twenty years. for so early in the season. Aunt Nellie and I at the Patriotic Concert. a little more Snow this morning.

Thur Nov 16. Fine and a little milder. but still cold for this early.

Fri Nov 17. Rather stormy at first, then cleared and cold., Aunt Nellie called to ask for Miss Edey. butter 44 cts.

Sat Nov 18. Fine and cold. we got apples at Mary Watsons.

Sun Nov 19. Fine bright day. Aunt Nellie at morning church. I went to Presbyterian Church. the girls called. I went {Between lines it reads: <u>Meals</u> upstairs this week} to evening church. Mr Lawrence did not preach. poorly.

Mon Nov 20. Fine bright day. but moderately cold. We all went to Toronto. roads frozen clean. some people ploughing in the afternoon. but mornings, rather hard frozen.

Tue Nov 21. Fine and clear but cold. Aunt N and I at open R. C. Meeting.

Wed Nov 22. Fine and a little milder.

Thur Nov 23. Rained most of the day and mild. then cleared & windy.

Fri Nov 24. Fine but terrific wind and turning colder Annie called, also Mary Watson. Mrs Peebles. and Mabel Welsh, I called at Mrs Shuters in eve.

Sat Nov 25. Fine but very cold and hard frozen. butter 45 cts. roads good.

Sun Nov 26. Fine and bright but cold. I went to morning Church. and evening Church alone. Aunt Nellie has a cold. the girls called after church. Mrs Davidson left the baby with Aunt Mattie.

Mon Nov 27. Fine and much milder. we washed. clothes dried nicely. I walked as far as Willies for a while roads nice and dry.

Tue Nov 28. Fine and very mild a little rain last night made it muddy again. Auntie at Red. Cross Meeting hazy like Indian Summer.

Wed Nov 29. Fine and still mild. but dull and muddy.

Thur Nov 30. Rained and a muddy. quite mild. Started a little.

Fri Dec 1. Turned much colder and windy. Lizzie here for a while in the afternoon gave up her work at the General yesterday.

Sat Dec 2. A fine bright day. all frozen clean. Aunt Mattie and I in Toronto, Auntie at Aunt Lizzies. I called at Jennie Speights. I have a cough.

Sun Dec 3. Fine bright day all frozen clean. but not so very cold. Aunt Nellie at church. I went to evening church. Mother and the girls called. after church.

Mon Dec 4. Fine day and mild. Aunt Nellie called at Miss Edeys and Mr Lawrences. Mrs Shuter called.

Tue Dec 5. Fine and mild, rather misty. I went to the <u>shower</u> for Lizzie at the Boyles. Willies thrashing.

Wed Dec 6. Fine and colder. I have a cough. I was invited to the Congregational tea at the Methodist church in the evening. Auntie kept Lorraine.

Thur Dec 7. Fine and mild a few sprinkles in the evening.

Fri Dec 8. A dull damp day but mild, Aunt Mattie called at Mrs Kellys. I called at Miss Mundeys. and at Mrs Kirks.

Sat Dec 9. Turning colder, with a few snow flurries. our Bazaar and tea. and Concert. proceeds a little over ninety dollars.

Sun Dec 10. Fine but quite cold. Aunt Nellie at morning church. Lizzie and Wylie called in the afternoon. Annie called after church. Aunt Nellie and I at evening church.

Mon Dec 11. Fine and cold. we washed and then Aunt Nellie and I went to wash dishes at the hall. it started to Snow in the evening. Mrs Peebles called in the evening.

Tue Dec 12. Fine but very cold and strong wind. Aunt Nellie at the Red Cross Meeting. I called at the Bowes girls in the evening.

Wed Dec 13. Fine but very, very cold. we light the <u>Furnace</u> this morning. all very cold. Mrs Davidson called.

Thur Dec 14. Fine and very cold. Annie and Lizzie here in the evening.

Fri Dec 15. Very cold. down to zero or below.

Sat Dec 16. x Fine and bright but cold - down to zero. I was in Toronto - called at Aunt Lizzies. Aunties at Mothers for tea.

Sun Dec 17. Fine and very cold. Aunt Nellie at Morning church. I walked out to Willies for a while in the afternoon. I went to church alone in eve. Aunt Mattie kept Lorraine. Annie called in the afternoon

Mon Dec 18. Fine and moderately warm. all day.

Tue Dec 19. Fine after a snow. very light Mrs Peebles called

Wed Dec 20. Fine and much warmer. rather misty, Aunt Mattie and I went up decorate in afternoon. some cutters out.

Thur Dec 21. Fine and mild, a little more snow, the sleighing fairly good. my first cutter ride. I was at Mothers in eve- all the girls invited

Fri Dec 22. A very blustery morning, then cleared in the afternoon. Mrs Peebles called with Christmas gifts. Mrs Simpson and miss Mundey called with pork, in the eve. Lorraine here.

Sat Dec 23. Fine and bright but very cold. Aunties and I in Toronto, Annie called. also Mrs and Miss Peebles called in the eve.

Sun Dec 24. Fine and cold. Aunt Nellie at Church. Lorraine here in the morning. also in the eve- it came up very stormy in the evening. I was not out.

Mon Dec 25. A fine bright <u>Christmas</u> day. cold but good sleighing and clear. we spent all day at Mothers. the Rink was opened in the evening.

Tue Dec 26. Fine day and cold day. started to sleet a little at eve.

Wed Dec 27. Fine after noon. but very icy after the sleet and rain last night. it thawed a little and a nice warm evening. Annie Hamiltons shower for Lizzie.

Thur Dec 28. Fine day but very cold west wind. Annie and Lizzie called in the afternoon. the boys brought

Fri Dec 29. Fine and moderately cold. Aunt Nellie at R.C. Meeting. Aunt Mattie and I at Bowes in eve.

Sat Dec 30. Very, very cold. the girls called. Mrs and Miss Posson called in eve. Mrs Martin called. I was at Rink

Sun Dec 31. Fine but very cold. Aunt Nellie at church, called at Mr Horans. I went to eve church at the Methodist's. Annie called after church. I went to Watch Service and Communion at a quarter past Eleven.

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- Lord, by whose might the Heavens stand,

The Source from whence they came,

Who holdest nations in Thy hand,

And call'st the stars by name.

Thine ageless forces do not cease

To mould us as of yore,

The chiselling of the arts of peace,

The anvil-strokes of war.

Then bird our realms in brotherhood,

Firm laws and equal rights,

Let each uphold the Empire's good

In freedom that unites;

And make that speech whose thunders roll

Down the broad stream of time,

The harbinger from pole to pole

Of love and peace sublime.

Lord, turn the hearts of cowards who prate,

Afraid to dare or spend,

The doctrine of a narrower State

More easy to defend ;

Not this the watchword of our sires

Who breathed with ocean's breath.

Not this our spirit's ancient fires,

Which nought could quench but death.

Strong are we? Make us stronger yet ;

Great? Make us greater fret,

Our crown the polar star;

Round Earth's wild coasts our batteries speak,

Our highway is the main,

We stand as guardian of the weak,

We burst the oppressor's chain.

Great God, uphold us in' our task,

Keep pure and clean our rule,

Silence the honeyed words which mask

The wisdom of the fool.

The pillars of the world are Thine ;

Pour down Thy bounteous grace,

And make illustrious and divine

The spectre of our race.

Fredrick George Scott

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