

James Cameron (1824-1912)

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Mr James Cameron Island

January 5th 1888

Went to Summerstown got a Ride up from Hamilton Bought of Mr Ward R RR 25 3 spools 15 Paid this Bought of J Summers Bottle Eclectrick oil 25 paid Bought of Nicholsons Almanack 5 cents paid Bought a pair of Boots not paid till I see of they suit Paid on the 12th Got a letter from Williamstown

6th Epiphany went to Williamstown EW Frosty at John Angus place Brought EELs sugar Wine snowing some

7th came home from Williamstown got a Ride parisha's hill from John Angus got a {cut off}the of 12 lbs from " " Mr Grant talking to me about a Horse 80 Dollars {cut off} at Roses Kind of hail soft

8th Sunday Hugh Ann's Birth Day Fine cold some snow Gordon and Dany Spink here

9th Fixing around the Barn Frosty cold set Traps for the Mink

10th E Wind Snowing Blowing turned Fine bushed some of our Road up to the Bay Leander got a Mink and 2 Muskrats to Day skinned the Mink and Rat for him

11th cold Frosty Windy sawing Making sticks for the churn Dasher

12th Election Court in Cornwall I crossed Summerstown Bought of Nicholsons 2 pair not paid as I think I will Return 1 pair (soda 10 slate 5 Thread 5 paid this)

13th Windy Raining putting in hay

14th Brought a pair of Boots Back to Nicholsons Bought a 100 wt of Flour 2..30 not paid Bought of Mr Ward a pair of Boots 75 on credit Leander sold his Rats 25 for 11 a peice paid 2..75 Mink not sold Paid on the 12th What I owed Nicholsons 2..82 and a pair of Boots I got on the 5th 1..20

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Dec 28 1887 Fine East Wind and changed to West commenced to snow Kind of soft water Raising close to the shore Drew up the Buns and turned them Over some Ducks Flying about Large air-hole Before the Door Windy high tonight Drifting and Frosty

29th Our Angus Birth Day Windy Frosty Drifting Reading papers a Mock sun on the East side of the sun

30th splitting stove Wood West Wind Frosty cold Frosty night 2 Mock suns

31st Broke on a 3 Ton stack to Day East Wind Frosty cold sleigh crossing Summerstown Road on the ice Feeding the cattle extra Last Day of the year

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15th of January 1888 Fine turned Windy Leander Hugh Ann Livinia went to Lewis on
Christee's Island

16th Fine not well Windy turned to East

17th East Wind Drifting snowed some Bad with my Back seen 2 men Fishing {cut off}

18th cold Frosty Windy

19th Leander crossed to Hamiltons and went to P. Office took a sack of Flour John H and I
went to meet Leander Windy Drifting

20th very cold and Frosty and Frosty and cold tonight the cut of Hay on the East mow
Done Finished the pile of stove wood Between the Elms and oak Frosty night

21st St Agnefs Day a very cold Day Windy and Frosty Air holes shutting up and smoking put
in the Last of the 3 Ton stack about 1 1/2 Tons a cold Frosty night this Week was very cold
and Frosty Potatoes got a touch of Frost to night

22nd Frosty cold Windy

23rd E Wind Turned a Little warmer Frosty to night Drew a couple of Landsleigh Loads of
Wood from the Bay cut Water hole for the cattle Fixing around the cattle airhole shut up a
good peice Teames on the Lancaster Road

24th Charlie Tupper's Birth Day and its cold Frosty Windy I went up to the Bay Fixed
Leanders Trap Livinia not well with a very Bad Headache seen a Man crossing From the
south side a very Large crack or a Burst in the ice crossing to the south or to Christees
Island From Below the sturgeon Island not very well myself Frosty to night good Fires

25th Robie Burns B Day a very cold Blustery Day and cold night Conversion of St Paul

26th cold and Frosty a horse and sleigh to Christee

27th cold Frosty Blowing

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28th January 1888 West wind cold Frosty windy Eclipse on the Moon got a House Rat in the Trap a Good many of the air holes with this long spell of Frost the air-hole Before the house not all shut yet

29th Lewis the Indians 3 children here for Milk gave them some sox for the children John H went off to Mr McDougalls

30th Leander went After John H went to see how Bosell was as she is very Poorly Fine

31st Fine I went to Summerstown sent for the Witnefs and picture 1.25 postage and Register 5 sent 1 Dollar to Mr Powter paper Envelope Register 7 cents Bought 2 Pencils 2 Mr McPherson would take no pay for Fixing the Dasher seen Mr Hill Heard Nicholsons was seized for smuggling took home Leanders Mink Fixing a Track on the ice for a course to run Lewis 2 children here for Milk seen the Rev Mr Grant took home the other sack of Flour From Hamiltons Jo Lemay Drawing Wood From Lewis at Christees Island

1st of February Fine Leander went to Fort Covington to Boots 2..50 got a Ride to Summerstown

2nd Candlemas Day Leander not Well Fine The Bear and the Racoon will see their Shadows to Day as the Sun Shines Stanley and I Broke on the stack at Jennys stable 3 Ton in it West Wind

3rd put in some hay

4th E Wind Drifting snowing Races in Summerstown Court in Cornwall

5th Sunday snowing Blowing

6th Went to the Bush cut some Wood Fine snow Deep in the Bush

7th E Wind Fine went to the Bush caught a nice Little Bird took off my Coat and Threw it on her putting snow of the East shed

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23rd Feb 1888 Leander and I to Summerstown Snowing Blowing Bought of Nicholson's 50 Wt of Flour 1.20 paid this Sent for the Toronto Weekly News 1. Registered 5 postage Envelope paper 5 Leander got his pencil 25 Court in Cornwall got 2 papers from DM Mc the Empire and Mail

24th Fine Thawing Broke on the West shed hay

25th all Kinds of Wind to Day Snowed Rained hailed sharpened the saw cutting Stove Wood

26th cold some 2 Men crofsted over to southside it must be some of Bosells

27th Fine putting hay of the upper shed in the Barn Filled a Tick with hay got a Rat in the Trap

28th very Frosty Windy putting hay of the North East side up on the sticks 1/2 Ton Filled a Tick Fixed a step in the stairs

29th Fine Day Intercalary {intercalary} Day went to Summerstown with 7 lb 10 oz of Butter 20 all Bought of Nicholsons pork 75 Linsey 8 yds 1.12 {Paid?} Tea 50 Worm Stuff 25 got the Toronto paper with Picture of Confederation a Dec Paper came First

1st of March St Davids Day Taffy Day Putting in hay of the upper stable and Marsh hay of the Jennys Stable Fine some snow

2nd Cold Frosty Windy 1 of the sheep has 2 Lambs took one from the Ewe as she dont Look after it

3rd William Henery Shadgate Cameron Birth Day Uncle John's Eldest Boy Windy Drifting some cold (We thought we heard Thunder or eles an Earthquake yesterday about 4 oclock)

4th Cold Hugh-Ann went to George Bosells to see how Peggy was Got some Tobacco Antwines Boy Eugene Broke his Leg in 2 Places Met Antwine on the ice

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8th of Feb 1888 Gordon's Birth Day West Wind Snowing Blowing Drifting Drew some Little sleigh Loads from the Bush

9th Cold Windy Blustery day put in some Marsh hay not very well Frosty tonight

10th Very Very Frosty and Cold put in hay

11th Leander crofsted to Summerstown for Mail got another Letter from Dan Bought of Mr Ward Pepper 7

12th Shrove Sunday Lewis the Indains 2 children here for Milk

13th Broke on a pile of Wood in the Grove Thawing Fine Windy at night

14th Shrove Tuesday Valentine Day not cold Rained Snowed East and West and North wind cutting Stove Wood Rained Last night

15th Wrote a Letter to send to D McM Ash Wednesday Windy Drifting Very cold and Frosty cutting stove Wood

16th very cold cutting stove wood

17th sent a Letter to Dan postage 3 1/2 lb Tea 25 got the Mail. A Fine Day putting in Marsh hay Stanley and I A Social at Dickensons Island For the Benefit of the church 2 Lampwicks 2 cents

18th James Hugh's Birth Day 1855 {illegible} put in the Bottom of the stack air-hole shut Before the Door

19th First Sunday in Lent Fine

20th cutting Firewood Rained some Fine E Wind very bad with pains in my arms and Legs Rained some to night and Wind changed to West Blowing

21st Windy Drifting not cold A Big Fire at night the Way of Dundee or F Covington

22nd Washintons Birth Day Fine snowing Stanley and I in the Bush snow Deep in the Bush
Dominion Elections this time Last year the Glengarry Boodle corruption

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5th of March 1888 very cold windy

6th Gordon and T Jack here Drew me 3 Jags of Wood took 8 sawlogs for me on the halves
took Down my Papers and the Picture with the Witnefs Suffer Little Children got the first
Paper of the News or the Toronto Weekly News but got the Picture Last Week Fathers of
Confederation

7th Windy Drifting Fine sawing stove Wood

8th cold Windy cutting Stove Wood

9th Went to Summerstown Bought of J Summers 400 wt of Flour 10 Dollars got a Receipt
up to Date Bought Cotton paid this Thread paid this

10th Came From Hamiltons with the Boards and Flour Gordon came Down with them Got
Bag of Grain from Hamilton on credit Traded coats with Gordon a Fine Day

11th Fine EEI Fishers on the ice at Christees Island seen a Fire over on the south side

12th St Gregorry's Day on this Day of the Month DMM First came to the Island cold Windy
putting Hay in the Barn of the shed crows Flying above

13th Stormy N West and South Wind Drifting Snowing Lots of small Birds Like Sparrows
about here caught 3 of them awful plenty about the House and Barn Grinding the axes
sawing Stove Wood

14th Stanley's B Day 1880 Fine Day cutting Waterholes for the Cattle shovelling snow as
there is Big Bankings Thawed a good deal to Day

15th started to go to Summerstown Turned Back John Hamilton here put some hay of the
shed Leander not well Began the hay on the West Mow yesterday

16th put in hay Fine a Ram Lamb to Day

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17th of March 1888 St Patrick's Day The Festival of the Irish Cold Windy Fine Leander went for Mail got them at Hamiltons

18th St Joseph Day on this Day Last year Vicky Departed Fine

19th Spring commences to Day Fine putting in hay of the shed seen 2 W Geese Going East Flying Low to the ice cutting stove Wood

20th Fine warm commenced to Rain went to the Bush Leander and I 2 Men Fishing EELs at the P Point

21st Fine Windy high high Wind West Raining in the ush

22nd Livinia Senior Birth Day Leander tried for EELs water on the ice crust not good Freezing some to night Robins came yesterday

23rd Chopping in the Bush Windy some cold 3 Teams came Down the ice Looks like some one Moving over to the south side some crust cutter went up the ice

24th Fine Windy Frosty {cut off} of the Teams came up to Day and 1 came Back in the Bush piling Limbs

25h Palm Sunday Annunciation of the Virgin Mary Bismarck here gave him sox and mits Lewis the Indian here 2 Indians Drowned in F Covington with the Freshet a Big stain of John McGiffin seeing one of the Men and never helped them ice good

26th John Hamilton Camerons Birth Day 1876 Cutting stove Wood

27th Bismarck here for the sap Buckets got 66 Went to Summertown Bought of Mr Ward Tea 50 Tobacco 52 cents Spectacles 25 John Carey Poorly Fetterlys Lawsuit in Lancaster Thawing Fine some Rain water& slush on the ice

28th Wild Geese and Ducks Lots to Day Fine Rain Foggy put in a stack 3 Tons Wind Turned to West cows went Down to Lower Point to pick spots of Grass that got Bare of snow snowed some to night

29th Fine Thawing W Wind My Elbows very sore with pains split an ash for {illegible}
blowing hard to night soaked sturgeon in the Water

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30th March 1888 Good Friday West Wind Greg McDougalls and one of Even Frashers Girls
here Bought 50 cents of Butter snowed some to night

31st Leander crofsted for Mail did not get the Toronto Paper heard Purcel was elected
Bought of J Summers a Bottle of Eclectric oil 25 cents paid Windy

1st of April all Fools Day Easter Sunday Fine Lewis wife and 2 children here and James
McDougall and Sandy Cameron here wanting one of the Girls

2nd Leander Tapt 10 Trees in sugar Bush Cutting wood at the Camp Fine

3rd Fine One of George Bosells Boys here Lewis wanting to Buy Hay 2 Indians at the Lower
Point wanting to stop in the shanty they went to Lewis house in the Bush cut a pole for the
camp cutting Firewood sawed some old Logs at the camp Tapt 18 Trees to Day Began the
hay on the Stable loft yesterday took 2 pots to the Bush and a Barrel Gathered to 12 pails
since yesterday

4th St Ambrose Day First Boiling in the Bush about 28 Trees Tapped Made 2 Gallons put up
a new Pole in the camp Teams or cutters crofcing Summers's Road or to Battock Fan Tailed
Black Birds Phebes or Pewits Grassbirds seen some Black Ducks Frog Hawk Hen-hawk Red
coat Blackbirds came ice opening close to shore at the Lower Point Northern Lights Aurora
Borealis Merry Dancers 2 nights ago Lots of snow in the Bush One Hen commenced
yesterday for the First to Lay

5th Raining

6th Made 1 1/2 Gallons of syrup turned all in sugar 18 lbs

7th Leander crofsted to Summerstown Bought of J Summers a Box of Matches 10 cents paid
got the Papers

8th Low Sunday Fine cold Made {illegible} on the snow Leander and Livinia went to Rofs's
Island the House Taken away

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9th of April 1888

Fine EW Gordon here for an EEIspear cutting Wood at the camp 26 year married to Day put a new handle in the EEIspear 9 pails in the pots of sap

10th Fine Boiling sap commenced to Rain ice not very good using hay of the stable Loft ice opened to Day

11th Raining a Lamb to Day a strip open to the end of the Island

12th Made 2 Gallons to Day of Syrup took some of the stuff out of the cookhouse snowed some Fine Freezing some shooting in the Morning Windy Ionia went to the Sugar Bush to Day a strip open to Day in the channel to the Lighthouse

13th Fine Oxley calved Boiling in the sugar Bush ice Jamming of ice Before the Door cows crofsted to the Pitt Point Killed 5 snakes Burnt them

14th East Wind snowing some Boiling some the Jam started from before the Door commenced the Marsh hay on the North East side (the stack) 25 pails on the Fire to night seen a Light Last night coming From the head of Plum Island it must be a Sign of -- or Forerunner of Death

15th Made about 18 lbs in the Bush HughAnn Made 5 lbs at the house Fine

16th Killed Oxleys calve gave him to the Dogs as the want the Milk for the Lamb Boiling sap Fine some Grains of snow took up 2 Baskets of Pine from the shanty ice going Down and Jamming

17th Seen Lewis on Christees Island crofsing to Summerstown ice Jamming I went around the Island crust good this morning in the Sugar Bush Made 4 Gallons of Mollasses to Day heard Loons for the First cutting Sumac Brush cleaning some around the Hicorys on the hill

18th Our Duncan's B Day Fine Windy Rained hail taking manure from the appletrees boiling but did not Finish 2 Rainbows taking the stove wood from the upper end of the house Lots of ice going Down River Clear

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19th of April 1888 Fine Windy Boiling a Little in the Bush Gathered 8 pails put out the Boat Leaks some ice at the shore yet Lots of ice coming Down Lewis the Indian here with corn gave him Butter syrup Mill cucumberseeds took supper him and Martin cutting stove wood Letting the water run at the wet place below the house Stanley not well taking a Board of the Banking to let it thaw out cows going to Pitt Point sap not running very well heard the Frogs

20th Lots of ice Going Down in the Bush

21st Granada's First Trip from Dundee Fine Leander crofsted for the Mail Bought pipe Lozenges Took home the EEI spear

22nd Reading The Boys in the Bush Windy

23rd St George's Day The Festival of the English Fine Alex Green an Indian here took some Banking out of the cookhouse seen a Rat pushing away ice from our Landing Place Made 12 lb of Sugar to Day Water Low

24th Taking away the West Banking and some out of cookhouse Leander Found an Elm plank 16 Feet Long Lewis Boy and Girl here had calico Basket got Butter Milk

25th St Marks Day Fine Wind cold W Wind Shot a Rat Took up Genies Pine from the shanty took up Narcifse's Bun put out our Bun Stanley and I went around the Island Leander & Livinia Boiling Big cakes of ice going Down

26th Fine Day Fisherman came John Nine here Amiot here Got 2 EEIs from Amiot Gave John 9 a stick for oars taking Banking out of the shed Filed the Leach with Ashes Lot of ice going Down

27th Fine Fixed the Double Stove in the cookhouse Fixing up the Boards taking Banking {illegible} shed Fixing Barrels

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28th April 1888 Mr Kelly at Fishermens Leander to Summerstown Bought 1/2 lb Tea 25 Soda
10 Salts 10 Mr Munroe and Rose here Told me of John Renshaws Death Last Boiling in sugar
Bush Stanley and Livinia set some Traps shot a Rat Fine

29th E Wind Leander to Charlies Island Henery Bosell at the Fishermen's

30th high EW Leander skinning 3 Rats Took the Pots from the sugar Bush Fixing Fence
Fishermen crofsted to Summerstown Taking Banking From E End of the house but too much
Froze yet Lightning to night

1st of May St Phillip & St James Day Lightning Last night E Wind Rained snowed Blowed EW
Sawing a Pine Log at the shore Fishermen Fixing their seine in the Barn Alexandra went
Down First Boat Lights Lit up to night

2nd Persia went Down Massena went in to Salmon River Narcisse went to Jo Lemays and
Going with his Fish to F Covington to put on the Cars Digging the Potato Peice

3rd Went to Summerstown Bought of Mr Ward 2 Doz of herring 50 pair of Braces 35 Box of
Caps 12 1/2 Bottle of Pain Killer 25 2 lb of Tobacco 50 1/2 lb of Tea 25 Bought of Nicholsons
Rake 12 1/2 hat 10 heard Bill Lalonde Died or was Killed by a Fall of a Waggon Carriboo came
up to Lancaster

4th Making the Garden Fence Rained Fine Bohemian Leaves Montreal to Day and its Friday
Leander spading Potato Peice

5th The Bohemian up to Day Rained Windy Massena got aground at the Mouth of Salmon
River Digging spreading Manure thats around the appletrees at the Lower Point Taking
some of the Banking away Moved the Frame in the Garden some out of the way The Leech
set Running the Lye 5 Beds of Top onions made and a Bed of seed onions and More to
Make

6th Windy Garnet went Down First Trip Fishermens First trip to Lancaster with Fish for the
Boat in the morning

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7th of May 1888 Fine Planted 7 Rows of Potatoes in Hills taking Banking away working in the Garden planted a Bed of Carrots 4 more Beds of Onions and chalotts a Propeller went Down taking Potato out of the cellar and cleaning it

8th Fine E W Leander and HughAnn Went to F Covington Bought of J Tyo 5 Gal of oil 63 Boots 1.25 Bought of McC Tea 1.. Calico 8 yds 80 10 yds 1 24 yds of Lustre 25 6 Dollars Buttons 15 Cotton 15 Blue 15 Tin Kettle 10 Mending Boot 10 Hat 10 at the Garden planted 50 hills of Cucumbers Trimming the Appletrees on Lower Point Lots of ice Going Down Lots of Wild Geese put a handle in the Hoe set some Fires Keeping the Pet Lamb in the stable

9th Fine EW Livinia and Livinia Went over to Lewis's Brought sugar and Milk Henery Bosell at the Fishermen Digging the Potato Ground Trimmed some of the appletrees Narcisse started for Lancaster with Fish Leander Fired 2 shots at Birds did not Kill them

10th Ascension Day Foggy Thunder and Lightning and Raining this Morning Fine Fixing East side of the Garden Fence Planted 9 Rows of Potatoes salted the cows on the Pitt Point Trimmed some of the appletree at the Wet Place or Coal Pitt hill Lots of ice going Down 16 Rows of Potatoes Gave Phillip a Plug of Tobacco

11th Fixing the Logs around the Potato Peice Drew the Boats out of the Grove

12th Leander Crofsed to Summerstown Bought Thread 5 2 Doz of Hooks & Eyes 4 cents paid Bought for Phillip 2 lb of sugar 14 Plug of Tobacco 15 cents paid 3 Boys came 3 Boys came

13th Went to Lewis the Indian Leander and I windy

14th Piling Rails Back of the Barn Piling Manure

15th Leander went to J McDougalls stopt all night Windy

16th Leander came got 2 Bushels of Potatoes Brought them some Top onions Planting at the {illegible} Fishermen wants shanty cheaper

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18th of May 1888 planted a Few Rows Rain Fixing Calves Pasture at the soap put up a stick at the Potato Peice cleaning some in the Grove sawed 2 Blocks of a Log at the River

18th Fine Done making the soap 2 Indians here wanting the Fisherman to pay for the River J McDougall and Annie here gave Fisherman 2 Links of Stove Pipe putting up 2 sticks at the Door spreading some Manure Rained

19th Raining Windy went around the Island Phillip the Fisherman Brought me 2 lbs of Tobaco From Montreal 15 lb 30 Cows Broke the gate Last Night Keeping the Pet Lamb in the calf Pasture Phillip came up on the cars some Ticks Toads came out ice going Down

20th Whit Sunday Leander Hugh Ann Livinia went to Charlie Island for Wild Onions Bismarck and John H came Lewis and Wife came took Dinner Gave Lewis a Bunch of Matches Windy gave Bismarck a pair of sox

21st Leander crofsted for the Mail Bought a paper of Melon seeds Fixing Fence at the Barn Mosquitoes commenced and Bullfrogs commenced to Talk some Ticks ice going Down

22 Salted the cattle Digging in the Back place Burnt Brush not very well Fixed the seat of the Boat

23 Set Fire in the Marsh Back of the sugar Bush Fine Warm

24th Queen's Birth Day Fired one Volley only Burning Brush in the upper Field

25th Went to Summerstown seen Major Fraser On the Point Bought a paper of Musk-melons 5 took eggs to Hamiltons to exchange got a Bag of Potatoes

26th St Augustine Fine Rained Planted Potatoes Beans Melons Beets Pumkins The Fishermen paid to Day Plum Trees Begin to Blossom Lots of ice went Down to Day

27th Gordon here Oscar Laflesh here Lots of ice going Down

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28th of May 1888 Fine Windy Rained Sheared the sheep

29th Royal Oak Day or oak Apple Day Fine planted corn and Beans squashes pumkins

30th Fine Finished Planting Beans in the Back Place Livinia not well Fixing a place for the Nannie at the Back of the Barn Shot 2 Plovers at the shore Burnt some Brush on the Pit Point

31st Corpus Christie Cold some Rain Shot a Plover put the Pet Lamb at the Barn to Pasture put the Fat Pine Down to the shore Gave Fisherman a Door for to Lay his seine on as he is Fishing alone Phillip Boy to Montreal Potatoes and pumkins up put a handle in the Hammer put a Hoop on the Tub

1st of June The Glorious First of June Rowena's Vicky B Day 1878 Departed 18th of March 1887 at Fence Digging Stones and Fixing a place for Beans Digging Rained

2nd at the stones Leander crofsted to Summerstown Bought 2 spools of Thread 10 cents The steamship 2 peices of it Towed up 3 Tugs at each of Them

3rd Fine Windy

4th Planted the Beans and Finished the peice Rained some Frosty One of the Line Boats went up to night

5th Fixing the Boards Weeding the Garden Washing the Wool cleaned out the stable Leander Fishing Perch got 6 Went to Fish with the Light got EEls cat Fish perch and Rock Bass Windy to Day

6th Fine Turned to Wind high Lightning Thunder Brok the Back Door in the Barn set Fore to Marsh on North West side Knocked or Blew Down {illegible} Done Big Lofs Through the country Loss of Lots {illegible} Buildings Biddy Purcell Married the {illegible}

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7 of May June 1888 Spartan Went Down cutting Weeds Fishing at night with Light Down at the Kit Kit got a astray some

8th Got Bark to Bark the chairs weeding in the Potatoes Grubs Bad in the Beans and Garden and Potatoes Passport went Down after striking the canal Fine

9th Our Mary's Birth Day 1813 Fine Windy Bismarck and T Rose here Brought a Pig he Bought of J Vipond Paid 2 Dollars for it Leander and Phillip crofsted to Summerstown Bought of

Nicholson 100 wt of Flour 2..50 paid 1/4 lb of Pepper 10 spool of Thread 5 Algerian went Down Ward Done Keeping store

10th Windy Raining Fine Bismarck Fernandez John H here the 9 of the Lambs Dead Must been Killed with the storm Seen D Bakers Daughters Death in the Witnefs Thunder and heavy Lightning Heavy Thunder and sharp Lightning Windy and Raining hard to night

11th cleaning the Potatoes Fine St Barnabas

12th Fine Cleaning Potatoes Jenny Calved Spartan Late going Down

13th Weeding Potatoes Mr Tuthill and Norton here to night took home the Jenny and Calf Rained to night

14th at the Potatoes Rained Fine Lewis here for Tobacco Transplanted 4 or 5 Tobacco Plants commenced Digging the Place for the Tobaco Leander set his Line over Mr Tuthill caught a Lunge 20 or 25 lb Lots Trowling young Ducks now

15th Digging Tobacco Ground Hugh Ann went to Bombay Leander Bought of A Tyo sack cornmeal 85 Paint 2 lb 16 Rained Thunder & Lightning Heavy

16th Fine John Carey Buried to Day Pic Nic at Hamiltons on Bohemian Leander crossed for Mail Minkey calved

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17th of June 1888 Bismarck and Gordon Bosell here Tonia and I to the Head of the Island Fine Day some Windy

18th The Ever Memorable Battle of Waterloo Weeding the Potatoes Fine Went Down to Rofs's Island for an oak stick sunk had hard work taking it up the Ella Rofs went Down on her First Trip

19th Weeding Potatoes Warm got 2 sturgeon from the Fishermen Stanley and I went to Fish perch

20th First Day of Summer Thunder and Lightning heavy Rain this morning turned very warm Weeding Potatoes put out 85 Tobacco Plants Dug some in the Tobacco place 2 Barges stopt at the Lighthouse going Down I think they are Loaded with coal

21st at Potatoes fine

22nd Our Dan's Birth Day Longest Day in the year Bismarck here with a Pig he Bought of Charlie Craig 5 weeks old paid 2 Dollars some Rain

23rd Mam Charante came Leander crofsted with Phillip Hugh Ann came From Dundee on the steamer Granada

24th St John The Baptiste Day Mr Genie came had a pig for me 6 weeks old he went to Cornwall Lewis the Indian here Mid Summer-Day Rained East Wind

25th Genie went off West Wind Fine

26th Brindle calved at the Potatoes Lewis the Indian came with about 200 Tobacco Plants Digging the Tobacco Place

27th Went to Hamiltons Got Tomato Plants Fine Transplanted Tobaco Hoeing Potatoes salted the Cattle Heard that Julia Summers and her Family came to Summerstown yesterday

28th East Wind Rained Made 10 Rows of Potatoes and 116 Hills Maud Calved put out 60 Tobacco Plants at Door Apple Tree 82 of Lewis plants in Tobacco place

29th St Peter & St Paul's Day Lewis the Indian here Wanting a Bull hoeing Potatoes McGarvey {illegible} 5 of them one of McDougalls 2 of Frashers Girls here

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June 30th 1888 high Wind Rained Fine Pic Nic at Hamiltons Phillip the Fisherman and Leander crofsted to Summerstown Bought of J Summers Paris Green a Box 30 cents 1 lb of Soda 10

1st of July Dominion Day Sunday Lewis Girl here Oscar Laflesh here stopt to Frame the House Mrs Charante here Fine Day

2nd Oscar and I working at Framing the House warm Fine

3rd Working at the Building Mary Oscars sister came after him got the Rafters on Gave him an old seine Fine Began to put Paris Green on the Potatoes Potato Bugs and slugs Plenty hoeing some got a pound of nails from Phillip

4th of July The American Independence Fine Day some Windy Began putting Boards on the Roof Gave a stick to Fisherman to Make an Oar hoeing some

5th Our John's Birth Day 1803 hoeing putting Paris Green on the Slugs cut a Road to the Boards Back of the Barn yesterday and put that hay in to Day The Bohemian changed her time She comes from Cornwall at Sunrise so she will Try to get in to Montreal Before the Garnet

6th Hoeing Potatoes and Corn Finished them Hoeing Beans

7th Leander crossed for Fishermen got 5 lb of nails 25 I cut a Road to the River and Mowed the calfs Pasture Randolph came Through the night or near Morning

8th Gordon and Randolph here Fine

9th Leander and I to Dundee sold to A Tyo a Tennet of Butter 20 a lb Bought of A Tyo Tea 3 lb {illegible} Flour 2.50 Tea Pot 55 Matches 20 Wash Basin 20 Dipper 10 Mustard Cash 1.35. 6 Dollars Bought of John Tyo Boots 75 Nails 3 2 Tennets 40 Lewis the Indian and Wife here

10th Very warm Took in 10 cocks of hay hoeing Tobacco Livinia & Leander to Bosells and at Craigs Peggy Bosell Poorly got a Basin of Potatoes from Mrs Craig

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Mr James Cameron Island

11th of July 1888 Fine Turned Stormy wind Rain Broke a Hicory Tree and Limbs of the Butternut at the River some Bords of the stable and some of the West End of the Barn Blew Down part of the calves Pasture Fence and the Bush must have taken a hard one putting Boards on the Roof of the new End Finished but one Board to put on Lightning and Thunder Pretty Bad with Rheumatism cool this Evening Deer Flies Bad Rasberries getting some Ripe

12th of July Orange-Man's Day went around the Island a Good many Limbs Broke of and Trees Down with the storm yesterday Lamore and wife and 2 children at the head of the

Island since yesterday Morning Took them to the House stopt all Day as they are almost starved out The Bohemian did not call into Summerstown a Loss to the Fishermen Narcisse went to Lancaster put some of his Fish on the cars

13th Lamore and his Family went off Mowing some in the Grove The Chiefs here wanting pay from all Fishermen for Fishing in their water

14th Mowed a Road to the Back of the Barn put in 10 cocks of hay Phillip the Fisherman took our Mail from Summerstown George Oscar came here to night him Leander and Jo went to Fish EEs on Top of the Water Leander and Livinia to Rofs's Island yesterday

15th Sunday St Swithin's Day Very warm and Fine East Wind

16th Went to Summerstown Bought Soap 10 Mr Grant here Bought for Fishermen Bread Tobacco sugar at Nicholsons Got 6 Bars of Soap Went to see Mr Grant about his Horse Mr Knight and J Hamilton Making a Platform and steps Made 15 cocks of Hay in the Grove to Day

17th Fine put in 26 cocks of hay with poles cutting some Lashey came to Day

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Mr James Cameron Island

18th of July 1888 Windy cutting Hay on the hill Leander and I all the Fishermens Boys and Woman went off to night got Fish from them hoeing and cleaning the Tobacco put Paris Green on the Potatoes again made a Trough for the Pigs Rained

19th Fernandez Birth Day 1874 Windy Rained Fine Leander and I Mowing Down on the hill Salted the cows and sheep Thunder a squall passed to the south side heavy Looking Back of Lancaster

20th Mowing Gathering hay

21st Making coils of hay Leander to Summerstown Bought of Nicholson's Mothers Graves 25 Thread 5 Paid J Summers for the Fishermen got Tobacco From Narcifse

22nd very warm Tom Jack and Bismarck here the Gokeys here

23rd Mowing Below the Grove cut some above the Potatoes took in 6 cocks Thunder Rained to night 2 on the upper Point a Man and Woman Tenting

24th Mowing 4 of Lewis the Indian children here Thunder Warm put some hay in the Mow EEIs on Top of the Water hoeing the Tobacco

25 St James Day Mowing making cocks got about 100 made warm went to the head of the Island Leander not very well

26th Mowed a Road to the swamp Made some cocks Mowed a Road Back of the old Garden to the Barn Picked some Beans Rained some Leander took up his Line not very well one of the Fishermen Found a chair on the water

27 Mowing Back of the Barn at the south side of the Potatoes Fine Gordon and T Jack here Looking at the steers wants 45 Dollars for the Mare and colt

28th Fine Warm E Wind put the Paris Green on the Potatoes put in about 20 cocks of hay George and Dick the Fishermens Boy Mr Streeter here for Milk 10 Leander with Phillip to Summerstown Bought of J Summers 2 1/4 yards of overalls stuff 55 cents

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Mr James Cameron Island

29th of July 1888 The Girls and Stanley went to Lewis and to Jo Lemays and Amiots Lewis and his Boy here the Boys catching a Lot of young Sword Fish close to shore

30th Mowing at the side of the Potatoes and went to the Head of the Island put some in the East Mow

31st put in some Mowed some Rained hard Thunder Lightning High Wind Fire in Dundee Got a channel-cat from Phillip one of the Fishermen Got Part of the Lunge this Morning from Narcifse

1st of August or Lammas Day cutting some at the Lower side and Back of the shanty Mowed some Back of the Barn {ink blot over word} with Fishermen for Tobacco and scythe stones Fine to Day Windy to night had New Potatoes to Day

2nd of August Minnie's Birth Day 1864 Fine Smoky with Fires some Place Gathering hay and Mowing put in a Few Cocks a Gun Boat went up Towed by a Tug Bohemian did not call into

Summerstown this Morning a Box of EEl's Left on the Wharf someone camped on Francis Island

3rd Went to Dundee and F Covington with 3 Tubs of Butter Sold it to A Tyo Bought of A Tyo 100 of Flour 2..60 3 lbs of Tea 1 Tobacco 10 camphor 8 cornmeal 30 Licquor 15 Tobacco 5 RRR 25 cash 1..37 Bought of MC Boots 1 Buttons 76 3 yards 30 paid this Cotton 47 1/2 yards 4 Tennets 20 yards of Gingham I owe for this 2..4 cents Gave a Tennet of Butter to my account

4th Mowing in the Grape {word obliterated with ink} a Drover here Labelle for cattle Fishermen Phillip Brought me 2 lbs of Tobacco 25 and 2 Whetstones 10 cents

5th John Angus George and Mr Smith here Amiot and wife here Fine warm Day

6th Randolph B Day 1867 Fine High E Wind Narcifse went to Lancaster for his Brother in law and Son-in-Law they Treated me

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Mr James Cameron Island

7th of August 1888 Raining and heat and some hailstones Mowing 2 Men here for Fishworms one of them is Mr Fay Merchant Malone there camped on Alexis Island and Gave Stanley and Tonea 10 cents a peice Talking to Lewis the Indian at the Lower Point he got a Bull yesterday his wife went up to her Mothers Eclipse to Day not visible here Thunder Lightning

8th Mowing Back of the old Garden put in a few cocks of hay Warm Windy the Bohemian Late this Morning coming up Lashey came to day Fisherman's son-in-law and Brother-in-law went off to night spreading some of the cocks of hay as they got wet put the Pigs in the Big Shed

9th shut up the West Mow putting hay of the sticks on the West Mow

10th Mowing and Gathering

11th Mr Russell here to Trade a Mare worth 35 Dollars Leander to Summerstown Bought Thread 10 Rake 13 only got 3 papers and 2 Paper Books from Dan put in some Making Hay Rained some Russell here again

12th One of the Simon Boys here and Lewis Boy Fine Day

13th Raining High E Wind cold Rain

14th Fine W Wind Went to Summerstown to see Mr Russells Mare I wont have her Gordon here Made a Bargain with his mother for T Jacks Mare Bought of J Summers 1 lb of nails 5 a paper of Needles 5 paid Mowing opened out all the Cocks of Hay to Dry Campers Found a Boat Floating Down yesterday and to Day I heard that Johnny Bone was missing and the Man he was Rowing cant say for sure wheather its True or not

15th Mowing Oscar and his Sister here and child Went to Summerstown and to Get the old Mare Boarding the house some

16th Working Boarding the House

17th Raining Oscar working at his Tent Peter Back here

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Mr James Cameron Island

18th of August 1888 Fine Went to the Distillery to see his Horse Oscar and I a Woman Departed on Hamilton Island By the name of Lang Leander to the P Office Bought of J Summers 2 Pipes 2 Men here for Milk cows Milked to Day

19th Bismarck Birth Day 1870 Bismarck here Dr Falconer here Looking for a Party that crofsted before the Wind Raised he is anxious about his Daughter as she is one of the Party he had a very heavy wind coming here and he had it much heavier going to Christee Blew a Regular Gale and he kept his course well as I watched him till he crofsted Left some 6 Powder with Livinia and told her to use them Fine very Windy

20th Fine John Simon and Family here about the oxen and his Brother Jake came here this Evening not Knowing John was here Wedding at Bodways to Day Laflesh crofsted to Summerstown and took Minnie from Hamiltons

21st Raining hard E Wind Oscar set a Line

22nd Raining E Wind Mowing

23rd Leander Hugh Ann Minnie Went to F Covington Bought of A Tyo 100 of Flour on credit 2..50 paid McCartneys what we owed the Last time I was up 2..4 Bought 2 Scyths 75 cents

a peice 1..50 Valise 75 John Murchison and Walter Baker here for Cattle sawing an Elm
Boards for Beans Windy

24th St Bartholomew Rained Windy Thunder put some Boards on the house

25th Windy Laflesh went Back to Murdock McDonalds at Hay went to Sturgeon Island for
the saw Hammer axe Tub Leander Found a Bun Down Below the Kit Kit Got 1 lb of Tobacco
From Montreal 18 Campers on Plum Island Left Narcifse and George Went to Montreal as his
Daughter is getting Married next Week Rained very hard to night heavy Lightning Thunder

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Mr James Cameron Island

26th of Aught 1888 Blowing very hard Amiot at the Fishermens

27th Windy some Rain Minnie and Leander crossed got a Ride Gordon Drove her out to
Williamstown Bought of J Summers Soda 10 Starch 10

28th Windy Leander and I to Simons about the Horse took Dinner there Barnhart and his
Wife here wanting to sell a horse

29th Narcisse came up from the Marriage on Monday Gathering and Raking spreading out
hay Fine St John Baptiste Martyred

30th Fine Hugh Ann and Livinia went to see if they were coming with the Horse The came
and took the Oxen Leander not well Stanley and I Gathering hay the oxen's horns Broke
soweway to Day they must be fighting

31st Heavy Rain Wind Narcisse got matches Tethering the mare Thunder & Lightning

1st of September Fine E Wind Mr Leslie and Mr Cline the Lawyer here hunting Treated me to
old Rye Leander to Summerstown Bought of J Summers 3 lbs of Nails 15 Bought at
Nicholsons 3 spools 15 got papers from Minnie and in a corner for H Ann Fixing stone under
the Foundation of the House Drew some wood and stones with the mare she goes well
Hunting commences

2nd Fine Gordon Bismarck and Fernandez here

3rd D McMaster's Birth Day 1846 a Fine Day putting in Hay Took up some of the Lower Point apples as they are not Gaining much

4th a Fortunate Day Began stack {put?} in 75 to Day not Finished Windy put salt on this stack put marsh hay on it tonight Rained to night Windy

5th John Angus Birth Day 1850 Fine Cold Windy cutting hay on the Lower Point

6th Yera here looking for Timber Finished the stack 3 Tons 120 cocks in it Fine Day the apples is going off some way

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Mr James Cameron Island

September 1888 Mowing on the Lower Point Made 50 coils Fine not very well Windy cold some

8th Raining Windy Fernandez started for Summerstown and Turned Back took all the apples of the Grove tree Leander cut Otto's Foot with the scythe yesterday Ducks not Plenty shelling some Beans Frost yesterday in the morning

9th Leander to Hamilton for the Papers Hugh Ann and Tonia to see Peggy Bosell Windy Fine Line Boat Passport went Down this Morning mifsed yesterday

10th Went to the Bush Fernandez and I to Make a Troughf put in some hay took in some Beans and corn Ground very wet with so much Rain

11th Fine Day Went to F Covington sold 2 Tennets of Butter to A Tyo paid the 100 lbs of Flour 2..50 got on Credit Bought 150 Wt of Flour 4..13 Shorts 110 lbs 1..40 Tea 3 lb 1.. Pepper 30 Matches 10 Tar Paper 1..50 pipes 5 cash 82 sold to Mr John Tyo 24 lb of Tallow 72 Bought Stanleys Boots 2 Dollar I owe him 20 cents on the Boots Bought Boots 2..50 Powder 40 Shot 10 Bought 3 Butter Tubs 60 Boots for Livinia 1..25 Calico Tax 10

12th Mowing Fine Rain Thunder Drew the Troughf from the Bush

13th Some Rain Fine cold Mowing shelling Beans

14th Holy Crofs Fine Lord Stanley went Down on Steamer Passport putting in hay sticks all Full Shot 2 Ducks 15 putting in hay E Wind Let out calves Mowing Drew some Wood cut a

Road in the upper Field Frank Laplante here got a Note for Pay from J Summers Leander
crossed for the Mail

16th Raining

17th Gordon here Mowing E Wind Mr Genie here Brought Melons apples his hand very Bad
Mrs Kelly at the Fishermans

18th EW Genie went to Cornwall Mowing in the upper field shelling Beans

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Mr James Cameron Island

Sept 19th 1888 Fine Day Mowing in the upper Field got Money from Phillip to pay his
account at John S Summers Phillip went off to Day Lewis the Indian here Gave him a pipe
Made 20 coils in Lower Feild

20th Raining hard cutting cornstalks and took in all the corn husked it seen something Like
Wild Geese or Gulls 8 of them Fan Tailed Blackbirds came

21st St Matthew's Day very heavy Rain Began to put the Felt on the house E Wind

22nd First Day of Autumn a Fine Day East Wind 3 Men here Demo Rodney Briggs and Oliver
Treated me with very good Gin and cigar Gave them some matches Fernandez went to
Summerstown Bought of J Summers Bread for Fishermen Bought of Nicholson Tax 5 cents
Did not get my Papers Looks like a Fire in Lancaster to night putting Felt on the house put a
Beam in the Floor of the house Lissy Livinia Killed a snake 3 1/2 Length

23rd E Wind Fine Bismarck came had a Basket of apples took a shirt to make Gave him a
Basket of Butternuts seen Wild Geese Fernandez and I to the Kit Kit

24th Fine Began the Pig Pen taken in the Hay putting on the Barn Floor the Boys Fishing with
Flambeau got 3

25th Fine Day Frog Days putting in hay all we got Cut Drew some sticks for the pig Pen
cows in here now a Good deal of shooting to the south shore

26th E W Fine cutting hay in the Brush at the wet Place made 20 coils gathered some Grapes Fernandez Fishing got 2 Bunches put the cornstalks shot at a Duck did not get him Black cherries Ripe at the Pen Blossom on Strawberries

27th High West Wind Raining hard Fine Butternuts Falloing oaknuts Falling working at the Pig Pen gathering nuts Blew Top of the stack

28th at the Pen put in the Pigs in it.

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Mr James Cameron Island

Sep 29th 1888 St Michael Fine Windy Went to Summerstown Paid John S Summers for Phillip shora 2.91 Got a Receipt Bought 3 lb of nails 15 paid Bought at Nicholson's 2 pans of Bread for Fishermen got Apples at Hamiltons Fernandez went to the Gore for his cloths took John Hamilton's Hat in the Mistake John Hamilton Charles Craig Hugh & Minnie went to Ottawa Fair Seen the Balloon accident cut Tobacco put some under Cover

30th Bismarck here for his Shirt and Sox Lewis's 3 children here for coal-oil gave them a Bottle Leander to Rofs's Island

1st of October Tonia Birth Day 1883 Fine Mowing Killed a Mutton and its one of the very Best Fat Fat commenced to Rain shot the Mutton as I cannot get them in high E Wind Frosty Last night

2nd cutting sticks for a Jumper Drew them E Wind Raining cool Blackbirds most awful plenty at Beech nuts Fishermen got oil

2rd Boys mowing in the Front Marsh made 50 coils

3rd Boys mowing in the Front Marsh made 50 coils Working at the Jumper Fine cool Frost to night took in the Tobacco some of it not very well Narcisse went to Montreal sent for 2 Flannel shirts File for the crofscut-saw and Setter for the saw

4th Fine cool working at the Jumper Boys Mowing Ploughed 2 or 3 Rows of Potatoes Began to Rain very unwell

5th Working at the Jumper

6th put 40 coils in the West Stack Leander crossed Bought of J Summers 2 1/4 of Cloth 84 cents peck of salt 10 paid Took my Hat from Hamiltons Raining

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Mr James Cameron Island

Oct 7th 1888 Fine Day Fine Day Gordon Willie and Tommy Rose here

8th E Wind taking up the Potatoes putting them in the Black Boat in the Feild put in a Few Pumkins Windy to night Made 5 gallons of Grape Juice made a cheese

9th Snowing stormy north West Wind took in a Good Many Pumkins put in the calves to night

10 Hugh Ann McMasters Birth Day 1844 Fine Day Thawing snow melting taking in the Pumkins Narcisse took 4 Taking up some of the Ends of Drills

11th E Wind Gordon Willie and Tommy Rose came to cut Marsh hay for me and put Down Quite a Lot ploughed 14 Rows of Potatoes Fernandez and Leander making coils in the Marsh about 47 one of the spring calves acting Kind of curious Mice awful Plenty Seen a Light at the shanty and there was no one there whatever it was we Dont Know

12th E Wind Blowing hard took up some potatoes too windy to make hay Drew some wood commenced to Rain the Nannie out about the Door put the Black pig in with the others very windy time

13th E Wind Raining cutting stove wood hung some Tobacco up in the Barn Made another cheese Took another Barrel for the pigs as theirs Busted a Big Flock of Wild Geese went Down skimming the water piling some manure in the yard and Letting the water Run The Cornwall Canal Busted

14th Fine 3 Men at the Head of the Island Hunting Ducks Lewis Bosell along with them Fernandez went to Hamiltons for the Papers

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Mr James Cameron Island

Oct 15th 1888 Leander Hugh {illegible} I went {illegible} Tennets of Butter

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Mr Frasher 50 {illegible} Bread

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Plum Island {rest of line illegible}

stable shelling corn to night Narcisse and Dick up for Kerosene Brought up 2 S {illegible}

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{illegible} Snowbirds to {illegible} and 15 Geese took the {illegible} went up

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Mr James Cameron Island

4th of November 1888 children went to Hamiltons for the Papers

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6th Election in the States Made the Door Windy Rain

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Pig out of the Pen

8th Windy Drawing wood Raining

9th Prince of Wales Birthday

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Wood

11th Water coming in {rest of line illegible} Windy

12th putting out Manure around the Appletrees Leander crofsted to Summerstown got a
Package From Dan all paid

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Pepper Flour {illegible} a Pair of Boots on credit 1.25 Rubber Boots a satchel Mrs J Tyo a
young son Took Dinner at A Tyo's a Fine Day

14th Fine Day Killed a Sheep salted him Conovers 2 Brothers went off a Tug went up with a
Tow

15th Thanksgiving Day Gordon here 2 Boys with him to Frashers with a Boat

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Mr James Cameron Island

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of Molasses 30 2 pipes 2 cents {rest of line illegible}

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Mr James Cameron Island

25th of November 1888 St Catherine's day East Wind Snowed to night Boys made Letere at the shanty seen the Death of John Cameron Cariboo in the Papers No Lights in Mr Hills Lighthouse But Johnsons Lit

26th East Wind Very high no Boats to Day Taking the axe handle out of the axe No Lights to night Lots of snow Banks

27th Kind of soft E Wind put a handle in the axe a Tug went up with 3 Barges in Tow Rained some a long time of this East Wind

28th Wind changed to West some Rain soft Fixing 3 Boards in the Floor Boys went to the Kit Kit some shooting at Charlies Island Let the Genie Pig out of the Pen

29th Fine Calm Went to Lewis Resors Leander and I got an EEl spear from Lewis his wife away this 3 weeks Leander shot a Duck put a Lock on the Door up stairs Tried for EEl's got none 2 Tugs went Down to Day with Barges

30th St Andrew's Day The Festival of the Scotch A Fine Day Kind of Soft W Wind made a small stack in the Marsh 15 coils Leander Tried for EEl's Got none Dont Like Lewis's Spear Fixed the Pipes Lewis here to night for coal oil gave him a Bottle full his wife and children came home a Boat came out of Salmon River some Boats went to Day

1st of December Froze some Last night picking up things in case it will snow some Grains of snow Drew some of the Boats up in the Grove

2nd Blowing Fine Mowed some hay on the ice in the Marsh

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Mr James Cameron Island

4th of December 1888 Leander went for the Mail Bought of Angus McDonald a pair of Boots 1 Dollar 1 lb of shot 10 got papers from John Hamilton Forgot the Toronto news Gordon Painting the storehouse on the Wharf Fixing a Door on the Frame snowed some

5th Kind of soft Drew some Wood putting Glass in the Windows

6th The Festival of the German's West Wind Freezing Fine Killed the Bull Braveyard and he was hard to Kill put in the Sheep to night

7th Windy Leander shot 2 Ducks set the Marsh Back of the Sugar Bush a Fire part of it some Drops of Rain Fixing in Brindles Place

8th Fine EW Got the Ram Ready and started with him Met John Hamilton coming for him and Turned Back John Brought our Mail a Boat crofsted from the south side Down at Charlies Island Conception of V M

9th Windy cool

10th Leander's Birth Day 1872 Killed the Genie Pig Went to set Fire to Back Marsh Fine Day

11th Leander went to Hamiltons with 2 Geese got a Bag of Barley and a Bag of apples Fernandez and I put Hay out of the Marsh on the sheds and some in the stable loft set Fire

to part of the Lower Back Marsh cutting and salting the Pork not very well gave cornstalks to the cows

12th W Wind Cold Windy Freezing Boys and I in the Bush piling up Wood took their Dinner to the Bush not very well

13th Piling Stovewood Between Elems and oak Trees Frosty Windy

14th Frosty Cold Windy Leander Making a stall for P.J in Ginnys place cutting Stove Wood

15th Cold Wind Fernandez Making a pen for the Pig in the Big {illegible} put a hindquarter of Beef hung up in the Barn a Fortunate Day

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Mr James Cameron Island

16th of December 1888 Fine Lewis the Indian here for a Whitewashbrush Wind Raised high commenced to Rain hard to night Gave Lewis the spear Boys seen a Mink up in the Bay

17th Fixing around the stables the Hay on the Barn Floor about Done Raing iciecles coming on the trees Turned the Boats High East Wind and snow stormy night All the cattle in to night a Boat crofsted to the south

18th Stormy East Wind and snow cutting stove Wood the Dogs Barking at the sheep went after them and took 1 home after the Rest of them Fernandez and I did not get them Broke on a 3 Ton Marsh hay stack Fine to night Taking Fine hay of the sticks a Tail to the sun going Down to night Frosty tonight

19th Fortunate Day Frosty West Wind cold cutting stove put in some hay at the Waterholes for the cattle very cold to night Fixing some Tobacco

20th Last Day of Autumn Fine cold a Little anchor ice going Down Lewis the Indian here Gave him a Peice of Beef some Tea softsoap salt and 9 cents gave him his Dinner took Mogasins to make Frosty Lewis Drawing his hay in a Boat from Na Houtas Island Told me that Lord Derby was stopping in his Yacht over at Frasher's its not Freezing right for the River to take Jenny and P.J a Fight in the yard south W Wind tonight Lots of sea-gulls Flying and on the Edge of the ice

21st First Day of Winter St Thomas unfortunate some cold high W Wind Began to Freeze hard to night Drew some wood snowing I took a Bad pain in my Hip not Well the Dogs at sheep 3 of them came home Leander and Fernandez went after the other the Rubber Lamb

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Mr James Cameron Island

22nd of December 1888 Frosty ice Jamming and Taking across on the south side with a Lot of air-holes a Big opening before the Door I think its Taken across the steamboat channel to Major Frashers North side Fixing around the cattle not well cannot chop hearty to Meals the ice will be apt to take to night as its Freezing hard all well good Fires Lots of Ducks Flying about ice taken to night

23rd Went to Head of Island the Boys and it Looks taken all over Big air-hole Before the Door The Boys out in the Boat in the air-hole kind of Warm the ice I Think will open Fox came to Day

24th Fine Day Boys and I at stovewood very Bad with Rheumatism ice Breaking up all Jamming crowding Down Raining to night Windy

25th Christmas Day West Wind ice going Down Raining a Wet Christmas Ground Bare not much snow on the Ground

26th The Boys crossed to Hamiltons for the Papers Fine Rained some Bad with my Hip

27th Raining W Wind Put a Plaster of Mustard on my hip

28th Kind of soft not well Gave a Good Rubbing of EEL oil Kerosene and camphor dont seem to do any Good heard a Kind of noise at Summerstown of Drums and horns Fernandez made a crossbow to night

29th our Angus B Day Fine Day East Wind Boys chopping stove Wood Trying to chop and split and saw but cannot do it

30th Windy the Boys caught one of those small owls

31st Windy Fine Day very Bad with Rheumatism Last Day of the year

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