

James Cameron (1824-1912)

1895

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Mr James Cameron Island

30 of Dec 1894 Fine water Raising near shore

31st Fine at Wood Kind of soft a Ball at South Lancaster to night

1st of January 1895 New Year Fine Day Gordon came this morning Leander and Gordon went for
EEIs got 11 Horse a Little Better Fired a Few Shots a Fortunate Day

2nd a Fine Day Frosty Leander and Gordon went to Dundee Lent 75 to Gordon Lots of Fox-tracks
Last night Bought a pair of overshoes Fortunate Day

3rd Allens Birth Day 1853 Unfortunate Day Fine E Wind Gordon and Leander went for the Ram to
George Derushies got him Gordon crofsed Put of a Few Bushes cutting alders Wrote a Letter to
DMM

4th Fine Frosty Blustering Froze hard to night Fernandez came

5th Fine EW Frosty Leander got a Fox I went to the sturgeon Island 2 owls Flying around to night
paid 75 cents Gordon came

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6th of January 1895 E Wind Drifting Gordon crofsed and came Back Unfortunate Day

7th E Wind Fine Rained crust Lots of Foxes running put out 3 or 4 Bushes to Lewis's cut some
alders

8th Annie's B Day 1866 Gordon crofsed Harnefsed the Team to Make a Track up in the swamp some
snow Frosty to night

9th Cool Frosty Fernandez crofsed papers to Angus McLaughlin South Lancaster Ont and a Letter
Fine Making a Box and putting a Lock and hinges on it Put out some Bushes to the south side

10th E Wind Stormy Blustering and Drifting Gordon came had a Pair of Long Boots Grinding his
axes Put a Handle in his axe stormy to night Fernandez Wrote a Letter to Bismarck

11th Fine Day soft Moved a Pile of Stove Wood Leander and Gordon went to Dundee Got their Teeth
Drew Brought a Tub of Butter Rained some moved the Boards

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12th of January 1895 On This Day of the Month Aunty Mary Departed 1891 Fine E Wind Leander and Gordon came Bought of J Tyo 100 of Flour 160 Tea 1 Boots for Ionia 90 Boots for Leander Bed Ticken Laces Got the Mare shod got a Fox to Day Sent a Letter to Bismarck Fernandez did Cows Broke Loose in the stable 3 of Them Gordon crofsted got the Mail

13th E Wind Blustering

14th Unfortunate Day Drifting Windy Leander and Gordon Fernandez Thrashing oats Thrashed 2 or 3 Floors

15th A Fortunate Day Windy Drifting a Tail to the sun going Down and 2 Mock Suns one on Each side The 3 Boys Leander Gordon and Fernandez crofsted to the Meeting Wilsons at Summerstown a Gritt Meeting or Patron Meeting came home about 11 o clock

16th Fine Thawing The Races in Dundee Commences to Day Tried for EEIs got none

17th Fine Gordon and Leander went to the Races Looking through my Papers and Books Gordon came Leander stopt

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18th of Jany 1895 Fine Gordon split some hard Hacks of Logs of stove-wood Gordon crofsted took an axe handle to Tom Rose Leander came to night from the Races

19th Fine cool Pretty Cold Leander and Gordon Thrashing oats about 3 Bushels Fernandez went to Lancaster came Back

20th Unfortunate Day Fine 3 Men Fishing EEIs Passed here Gordon went to church

21st Fine St Agnefs Day Unfortunate Day Thrashing some Sawing Wood Gordon and Leander up in the Bay at the Big Beech Tree Fernandez went to Summerstown Bought 5 lbs of Sugar Bought Darning Needles

22nd Kind of Slippery Blustery Windy Wrote a Song that I Took out of a Paper of the year 1833

23rd Fine snowed Windy Fox eat 2 Pills went to the south side to Look for him did not Fine him Gordon making an axe-handle went for EEIs Fernandez Stanley & Gordon Geordie Annan here for a Saw

24th Fine Charlie Tupper's B Day cool Thrashing Fox eat the Poison to Day did not get him Gordon crofsted

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25th of January 1895 Robie Burns Birth Day conversion of St Paul Fine Frosty West Wind changed to night to East high Wind to night Thrashing and Fanning some

26th Stormy E Wind Drifting a Fortunate Day

27th Windy Drifting Gordon crofsted

28th Fine Leander and Fernandez chopping in the swamp Gordon crofsted took his saw and axe I went up to the place they were chopping cut some Brush Lots of snow Drifting in the Barn and Places Broke on a marsh hay stack

29th Windy Fine Fernandez crofsted to the Post Office Bought 1 lb of sugar some of the councils Looking at Wharf in Summerstown Broke the Rake

30th Fine Drew 2 Loads of Wood Fanned a Bag of oats Broke the Road to the Bush snowing

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31st of January 1895 very Fine Leander and Fernandez went to Dundee Took 2 Tub of Butter \$10.80 300 of Flour 4.80 Tea 3 lb 1. Buckwheat Flour 40 RRR 50 Matches 15 3 Bars of soap 15 got the Horse Shod 55 cents cutting Brush Put out a Few Bushes on the Road to Plum Island 3.55 Due

1st of February The St Bridgets Day The Black Month Fine went with the Ram to George Derushies old Granny Morris Poorly

2nd Fine E Wind Leander and his Mother went to Dundee to see her Mother Broke on a Tub of Butter took 10 lb of Butter 1.80 Candlemass Day The sun shines to Day the Bear and Raccoon will see their Shadow Took 2 Fox skins to the Fort 2.30 cut some Brush Gordon came to night

3rd Fine Cool Gordon to church went of night

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4th of February 1895 Fine snowed some Leander came From Dundee Bought a File 15 cents some Frosty Frosty to night Piling stove Wood cut Brush Got a New York Jewish Paper

5th Fine Windy Frosty very Frosty to night Kept Fires going all night Mrs Charles Craig Departed this Life A P.T Meeting in Alexandria Gordon went

6th Fine Windy very very Frosty Leander not very well Frosty to night Keeping Fires all night

7th Fine very Frosty cut a new Waterhole went to the Little Island south side Gordon came had the Blue Book and the Mail turned Moderate and East Wind Unfortunate Day

8th Gordons B Day Stormy Gordon and Fernandez went to the Funeral of Mrs Craig Fernandez came home Gordon stopt Froze hard to night

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9th of Feby 1895 Stormy windy Drifting Frosty very Frosty Last nigh every thing Froze Flowers Water Unfortunate Day water low Leander has a Touch of the Grip Gordon came this evening cold

10th Fine Day Randolph came this Evening on Horseback cool

11th Fine some wind Fortunate Day Franky Laplante here Wanting Gordon to Drive a Team with wood to Hogansburgh Gordon and Franky crofsed Putting in the Bottom of the Marsh hay Stack cutting the Fine Hay acrofs a Good Deal of Banking of Snow cutting and splitting stovewood

12th Drew 7 Loads of Wood Fine

13th Fine Fernandez Went to Lancaster cutting Wood Stanley and Leander sawing wood Ma Min Victoria Body Baby Johnny and Billy took the 2 saws to File took 4 Boards sent a Dollar for the Star

14th St Valentine's Day Fine Windy Fernandez came had almanacks and Papers

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15th of Feby 1895 Fine Boys cutting Firewood I went to the Back swamp at the Dead oaks

16th Fine Windy Thrashed a Few Floors of Oats went up to the Bush Gordon came Went to Dundee very Windy Unfortunate Day Bought Files Tobacco

17th Sexagesima Sunday Fine Fair Livinia and Fernandez went to Lewis Gordon went to see Tom Rose Unfortunate Day

18th James Hugh's B Day Drawing Fire-wood Gordon choping Fernandez crossed Bought sugar needles

19th Drawing Wood Fine Day Gordon crofsed to the Funeral of Mrs Murchison at P Bakers Place took his saw home some Windy

20th Fine Day Races in Dundee Fernandez Went to Dundee Gordon Sawing Stove Wood Leander & Stanley Thrashing oats

21st Fortunate Day Fine Windy snow Rain Filing the Wood saws Fanning Oats

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27 of Feby 1895 Ash Wednesday very Fine Day Thawing some Gordon made a Horse for to saw wood on eat no meat to Day Gordon crofsed Leander and Fernandez went to Dundee to the Races

28th Last Day of Feby Gordon came had a new axe Fine Foggy Rain some cutting stove Wood
Leander and Fernandez came From the Races Thawing some

1st of March St Davids Day The Festival of the Welsh Unfortunate Day Taffy it Rained some and
some fine and Froze hard to night I cant say how it comes in Like a Lion or Like a Lamb Livinia and
Annie went to Dundee Fernandez Drove them up stopt all night Gordon and Leander sawing wood
Heard 2 Whistlers go Down

2nd Fine cloudy Frosty Fernandez came Bought of J Tyo 2 Doz of Herring 50 Brought home the
crofs-cut saw Gordon and Leander at stove wood Fernandez went to Summerstown Ma{illegible}
Unfortunate Days 1..2

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3rd of March 1895 Fine Thawing Boys went for EEls got 4 Lewis's 3 Boys here Gordon to church

4th East Wind Stormy Cold Freezing Gordon went to the concefsion took his saw with him

5th Unfortunate Day Fine Windy Thrashing and Fanning cut a Waterhole ice to the Bottom

6th Drawing a stack of Marsh hay from the upper Field went to the Pitt Point to the Lower Point and
up through the sugar-Bush Trimming some Trees Fine Day Seen a crow for the First

7th a very fine Day E Wind Fernandez and Stanley went for EEls got 14 Broke a Fork-handle cutting
stove wood Broke on a Fine Hay Stack about 4 Tons in it

8th a very Fine Day Thawing Wind changed all round the compafs Cut 2 Dead oaks in the oak field
Stanley and I sawing stove-wood Drew the Bass-wood from the up in the Bay at the Beech Tree
Drew the 7 Basswood sawlogs Let out the Pigs Unfortunate Day

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9th of March 1895 Fine snowed Drifted Windy splitting Basswood stovewood Gordon came to night
had 7 1/2 lbs of Sugar some Lemons

10th Fine 5 of Lewis's children here Eclipse to night Drifting some Got the S2 Star's News papers
another Standard came to me though I sent the first one Back Gordon crofsed Fortunate Day

11th Fine Frosty cut Down another of the oaks splitting Basswood Stove wood a calf came Sunday
the 10th

1th on This Day of the Month D McMaster First came to the Island an Unfortunate Day Leander and
Fernandez went to the Lancaster Mill with Logs Mr Barnhart passed Down here or an Indian going to
Rofs's Island Took 6 Logs to D Brought home to Day 200 Feet Randolph here to night had Horse
and cutter

13th Fine E Wind Thawing Went with 2 Logs to Day Brought 444 Feet home to Day Thats 644 Feet of Basswood to Day all together Piling the Lumber in the Barn Raining working at the Logs at the Bank

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14th of March 1895 Stanley's B Day 1880 Fine Cool Frosty Windy Leander crofsed for the Mail Split 2 Rails of the Limb of the Ash that Broke Down cut some alder Brush

15th Fine Cool Drawing some of the sticks for the Stable took out 2 soft Maple Logs took the oak out of the oakfield a Great many Teams Drawing Wood from Plum Island Lots of Indian Teams

16th Unfortunate Day Fine Went with 3 Soft-Maples to the saw mill Bought 20 Bunches shingles 1.90 a Thousand went For the Papers Fernandez got 2 Dollars From A Stickler for Sand Killed the calf Gordon came had a pair of Rubbers

17th St Patrick's The Festival of the Irish Windy Fine Gordon crofsed

18th St Joseph's Day on this Day of the Month Vickey Died {illegible} 1887 Fine Went with 3 Soft Maple Logs to the Mill cut them to Day high Wind Frosty Cut 2 of the Logs to Day Mistake of the Day Going

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19th of March 1895 Fine Thawing Windy went with 3 Soft Maples to Day not yesterday Took the Horns of the Bull yesterday and he Bled Quite a Lot Fixed a Top on the Table Went to Dundee the Indians Drawing Quite a Lot of Wood From Rofs and Alexis Island Bought 2 Files 30 Cents

20th 1st Day of Spring a very Fine Day Leander and Fernandez went to the Depot North Lancaster Bought of Mr McGillis 100 Sap-Buckets 8 Dollars spoils 75 cents 2 of the Galerneaus crofsed up here Going to Dundee Stanley and I cutting in the oakfield Drawing Wood to the north side 3 Teams to Day Drawing from Tupper's Island Heard Ducks going Down this Morning Some one shooting up the Front this afternoon Mr W Dunlop and George Deurrio called here as they were going to F Covington to a Masonic meeting Treated me to a Drop of Good Stuff and Cigars Heard Mrs George Annan Departed on the 19th

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21st of March 1895 Fine Thrashed the Last of the Oats Fernandez went to Lancaster one of the cows calved Leander went to Dundee took a Tub of Butter a Lot of Teams to Charlie and Rofs's Island not very well to Day 150 Wt of Flour Sack of Fine Salt 6 lb of Tea

22nd Livinia B Day Senior very Fine Day Mrs George Annans Wife Buried to Day Gordon at Wake and Funeral Drawing the Sticks for the stable and some Wood cutting stove wood and sawing and splitting one More of the cows calved Took up the slabs from the shore at the Shanty

23rd Fine Day Went to Lancaster to Day Fernandez changed his Boots Gordon Bought a pair of Pants Bought a Sugar Pan 4 Dollars Bought 4 Bunches of Shingles Got the Soft Maple Lumber Tounded and Grooved 472 Feet Paid the Shingles

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26th John H B Day

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24th of March 1895 Fortunate Day Fine John H came From the {illegible} Traded My Big Knife with him Went with the Horse a Peice of the way

25th Raining Turned Fine Bill and George Morris here Leander went with Randolphs Boots to get Fixed Livinia (Sissy) came home with him one of Sam Rankin's Son's Passed here Going to see John Rankin up the Front who is very Low Fernandez and Gordon Filing 4 Saws Blackbirds came snowbirds Plenty

26th Fine Windy Drifting sawing and splitting stovewood water on the ice some Tapt a Few for the First

27th Fine Windy Gordon crofsted to A McDonalds sale water on the ice all of us 4 in the sugar Bush Leander Tapping First Churning to Day about 11 lbs Gordon came Bought Sugar Thread Tobacco

28th Unfortunate Day Tapping Fixing the Pans in the Arch running well cold Wind Sawing Tough Elms Hewing some sticks got 50 p{illegible}

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29th of March 1895 Unfortunate Day Tapping some Windy cool Run 35 Boiling Wrote 2 Letters 1 for the Toronto News with a Dollar in it The other the Glengarrian with a Dollar in it Made 3 Gallons for the First

30th Fine Boiling 2 1/2 Gallons to Day Gordon crofsted Took the 2 Letters to the P Office Got the Money for Registering and Postage Drawing some of the stable sticks to the stable Drew some stones for the arch for the Pots Went up to the Head of the Island Fixed the Wine Barrel yesterday and Last years Syrup got a Toronto Daily Star

31st Fine Randolph here E Wind

1st of April all Fools Day Unfortunate Day Fine Fine Day Drawing some of the Sticks for Stable Fixing the Pots in the arch some Gathering some sap not running good Gordon crofsted to Work at Duncan G

2nd Tapping to Day Boiling and Gathering Let out the Swine 3 Gallons came home

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3rd of April 1895 Very Fine a Flurre of snow cranes came Boiling and Sugaring for the First about 50 lb running well Sport eat Poison as he Takes Great Fits cutting sawing splitting wood Ionia to the sugar-Bush

4th Fine Gordon came and went off Boiling in the Bush Found a Fox Lots of Ducks Flying

5th very Fine Killed a snake Made 50 lb of Sugar to Day Fan-Tailed Blackbirds came

6 Gordon came was to Cornwall Bought overalls 75 Tin Dipper 5 a cap 35 Pigs out seen a Flock of Wild Geese Going East a Lot of Shooting this Morning to the South side East Wind Fortunate Day

7th Palm Sunday on This Day of the Month Uncle John Departed 1893 Gordon went to church and went to see Mr Rankin who is very Lo he Found 2 Foxes of ours Boiling Brought 10 Gallons home

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8th of April 1895 Raining Foggy E Wind Gordon crofse to Help to sawing Mr Rankins stovewood Robins came Pe Wee's or Pheabys came swallows came

9th On This Day of the Month I was Married 1862 33 Years to Day Raining Foggy E Wind changed to West Fernandez and Leander shooting Blackbirds Fixed one of Syrup Barrels with Hoops 11 Gallons in it Froze hard to night Ice opened at Francis Island thats our Mark

10th Fine very cold wind north ice Breaking very Slow Emptying the Buckets of the Rain water Boiling what sap there is the Barrels about 55 pails First Laying of the Ducks This is the Day of Mr Rankins Sale Water Raising some

11th Fine WW Put out the Boat went to Sturgeon Island Fernandez and Leander about 14 Gallons to Day 6 Pigs young ones to Day

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12th of April 1895 Fine Cool Loons came Leander and Fernandez Got 16 Ducks to Day Got a Rat Boiling and Gathering Piling Stove wood Black Ducks came

13th Fine commenced to Rain Boys Boiling in the Bush a Lot of Shooting to Day Foggy

14th Easter Sunday E Wind Raining ice Breaking and Jamming Wallace and Randolph on the Little Island North side

15th Fortunate Day Easter Monday Boiling Made about 5 Gallons or more to Day ice all Jammed in the Back Bay E Wind Lots Going Down and up with the Wind Lots of Ducks Shot 16 Ducks Lots of shooting put Rings in the Hogs smelled {torn off}

16th Easter Tuesday Fortunate Day E Wind Brought syrup home Leander Went with Oliver and Ed Douquet at the Kit Kit hunting

17th Frost Last night sap runs well to Day Gordon came to Day Got 3 Pikes in the Marsh took home Syrup Made sugar in the House Mrs Lewis here got oil Syrup Tobacco soap Tea Frogs came Yellow Hammers came

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18th of April 1895 Uncle Duncan's Birth Day very Fine E Wind Leander shot 4 Ducks Mr Hume's stopt at the shore Leander Rowed him around the Island 75 Stanley Boiling in the Bush Froze Last night Running to Day

19th Fine made Syrup set Fires around stone-heaps

20th Fine Martin here Lent him the inch augur Boiling some Leander shot 13 Ducks Randolph here for Leander to go with Hunter tomorrow Reed Gordon to Cornwall Bought Pepper Pins 4 Papers 8 cents cap Boots fine

21st Low Sunday Fine warm took Mr Wallace's Boat from the Little Island Bitterns or Mire drum came

22 Fine W Wind Rain some Gordon crofsted took over the Box and a Letter to Dan Put in 15. Fowls Lots of Rushes to the shore Putting them on the Wharf Leander and Randolph came took Back Wallace's Boat Put up 2 or 3 Logs on the stable taking home sugar Bush Things.

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23rd of April 1895 St George's Day the Festival of the English Raining South West Wind Fixing in the Frame cellar Putting the Syrup there cool to Day The Grenada Towed the Princefs from Summerstown yesterday the 22nd Fixed the Syrup and Meaushered it 51 Gallons Weighed the Sugar 115 lb

24th Fine High South W Wind Fernandez Went to Lancaster took a cake of sugar to A Frasers First Ploughing on the Lower Point corn Ground and at the cherry Tree Piled some stove wood Unfortunate Day

25th St Marks Day Rain Fine W Wind Ploughing at Lower Point Piling Stove Wood Fernandez came had corn and several sorts of Potatoes The Chaff into Lancaster

26th Leander and Fernandez went to Dundee with Foxes Rats Bought 1 pair of Boots for me Soap

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27th of April 1895 Fine E Wind Ploughing Potato Ground Putting Manure on Potato Ground Making Picquets 75 made now Setting Fires on the Pitt Point Setting a Hen with Duck Eggs Fernandez got EEIs in the mud

28th Fine PG calved Gordon crofsted him and Captain A.J. Baker crofsted to Fort Covington to see James Y. Cameron coming home came this way

29th Fine Ploughing and Putting manure on the Potato Ground taking away the Banking from the house Drawing Rails to the Peice Below the Grove for a Garden Making cedar picquets went up in the Bay with the Boat a Propeller went Down for the First Lights Lit up to night taking the Potatoes out of the cellar shot a Fish Hawk

30th cool E Wind Mr Genie came Jo Genie Fixing the Bouys Yesterday David Brown sent me a Lot of Eggs I sent him all I had of Duck Eggs 6 Alexandra went Down Propeller Tug with 4 Barges cutting seeds of Potatoes

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1st of May 1895 May Day St Phillip & St James Planted the Potatoes Shot a Fish-Hawk Fine

2nd Fine Put the 2 Pigs in the Pen Putting the Potatoes in the Storehouse 24 1/2 Bushel Sowed First oats at the Lower Point Making Fence at Cherry Tree for a Garden First Raft went Down a Tug went up Craigs Scowing to Alexis Island Liviniga Stanley Fernandez crofsted to Summerstown Bought of J Summers shirting chimney a Demi-John

3rd Fine sowed oats at the Lower Point Went to the Kit Kit Fernandez and I got an EEI sowed Corsican went up

4th Fine Rained some Sowed oats in the Upper Field Drew some Stovewood to the Pile Gordon came Lewis the Indian here had a Shave Brought a Basket E Wind Raised to night orioles Pheaby came

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5th of May 1895 Fine E Wind Gordon to church Randolph came took the pigs From the sow Lots of ice going Down

6th Fine Ploughing in the upper Field Setting Fires Fixing the Fence out in the water Lewis here for oats and Milk Leander and Fernandez went to Summerstown Bought of Nicholson's 3 Papers of seeds carrots and onions Piling Stovewood Lewis Brought home the crowbar

7th a very Warm Day Ploughing ad Harrowing in the upper Field airing the cloths coats pants vests & Pealing the Elm Logs working at the Garden Fence Found an old Bun

8th Fine Thunder Harrowing Made a Ladder Emptied the Leech and Filled it with ashes Fixed the Leech-Barrel at the Butternut Tree Fernandez got 5 EEIs the 3 Pigs in the Pen one of the cows calved

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9th of May 1895 Fine Bill Charlie Creamer and John H Came Sowed Oats in the upper field Lots of Boats going to Day Altered the Boar and 4 of the young Pigs

10th Fine setting Fires Piling stovewood Drew the stovewood Mary Ann and Tasco here for Butter Lent them an oar as they Broke theirs

11th Fine very warm Mr Shannon and Bill Morris here altered the 2 colts Paid 2 Dollars to him Ploughing above the oats in the upper Field E Wind changed to West Thunder commenced to Rain Planted these carrots in the New Garden Cherry is in Blossom and Plumtrees

12th Rain Cold W Wind Gordon crofsted Got a Letter From DM Directed to Leander Leander and John Went to Plum Island

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13th of May 1895 Ploughing Next the Bush cool Burning Brush and Rubbish Planting seeds in the Garden

14th Working at the cellar Digging it and Making a way to come in From the outside Set Fires to the North Side Marsh Back of the sugar Bush very Bad with Rheumatism Piling Stove-wood pulling the Ground in the Big cellar

15th Fine cool E Wind Tore Down the Milkhouse Working at it water very Low

16th Frost Last night Fine some wind Working at the cellar Drew some stones to the Bank some Grains of Snow one of the cows calved to Day put the Pig in the Pig Pasture the Fence for Let the Mare out to Pasture The Leech Running Lye Randolph

17th Randolph came with the Boat Paid him at the cellar Frosty at nights

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18th of May 1895 Fine E Wind cool clearing away stones and Boards Mr Genie came Fixing shelves in the cellar for the Milk

19th Fine Mr Genie here Gordon went to church

20th Fine W W Working at the putting the Logs on the stable got the Last Log up Fernandez went to Lancaster Mr Genie went off Gave him a Lot of Bottles and oil Left his Pine cows calved to Day calf heifer stopt away to night

21st Fine W Wind First Trip out with the New Boat Went ot Dundee John H and Leander 53 lb of Nails Shingle and Board Nails Overall stuff Pair of Boots 1.50 Butter tubs 4 Gordon working at the Heel of the Rafters on the Plate cut 2 Rafters 2 Men came here to night one of Them is Lalonde had a Boat From John Fraser wind too high for thm

22nd Fine working at the rafters cut them to Day Leander cut his Leg Fernandez came had the Beet seed Harrowed the Potatoes John and Stanley Planted Beets carrots

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23rd of May 1895 Ascension Day Put up the Rafters Fine a Lot of Boats to Day going very cool Put on some of the Boards chickens out

24th Fine Queen's Birth Day Put the Rest of the Roof on Fernandez Wnet to Williamstown Brought D Fraser 2 Pigs got a Dollar From him Gordon crofsted to go to Williamstown went at night Cannon Firing Making Bon Fires Fernandez came to night Wind some East

25th Fine W Wind Fixing the pasture for the Pigs put them in Put a Ring in one of them took off the chips Potatoes coming up Gordon Came

26th Fine

27th Unfortunate Day Cloudy some Rain commenced to Shingle the East side of the stable and a Tier on the West side to Day Livinia and John H Went to Lewis's got a Few cabbage Plants Planted a Few Beans and corn

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28th of May 1895 Foggy smokey Raining Windy John H and Stanley Put out a small Line For EEIs Gordon Filing the saws went to Fish got 3 EEIs some succours and Pike John and Stanley got an EEI on their Line

29th Royal Oak Day or Oak Apple Day Very Fine Gordon crofsted to Summerstown Took home his 2 axes 3 Saws 2 Picks Bought me a Hat To Bed cord 55 Leander and John H Went to Dundee Bought Shingle nails Broom Boots Mended 1 Dozen of Milk Pans 2 Wash Dish 10 Drawing the chips and old wood to the House Unfortunate Day one of the cows calved yesterday

30th Fine very warm Bill Morris here John H Sold his sturgeon Pike catfish Taring Down the Shanty Building the Boat house = continued next Page

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30th May 1895 = and Taking the Boards up in the Boat commenced to Rain Thunder and awful sharp Lightning Streaked) Forkey), Fernandez went to Lancaster For 1 Bunch of Shingles to finishe the stable Finished it to Day shingles 50 Salt 10 Killed the calf Whitewashing the West End

31st A Fortunate Day Fine commenced to Rain W Wind changed to East Gordon crofsted to Summerstown Working at the Boathouse Whitewashing churching Taking Down the shanty to get the Boards for the Boathouse

1st of June The Glorious First of June An Unfortunate Day Vicky's Birth Day 1878 Foggy this Morning Livinia and John H went to Dundee W Wind Fine Day Martin here for Butter all of us working at the Boathouse

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Jo Douquet Married on 3rd

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2nd of June 1895 Whit Sunday Pentecost Fine Thunder Lightning Gordon to church

3rd heavy Rain turned Fine John H and his Mother came had a Bark Line Got From his Uncle Fernandez went to A Frashers Lent him my Knife working at the Boathouse

4th Fine this is old George the 3rd's Birth Day at it was Kept up for a Long time Working at the Boat house Mr Kelly Bill and Jo Shetla here took away the Seine Treated me to a Drop of Good Stuff Mr Genie came Brought me a Lot of Books a Good many of them Surveyers Books Gordon crofsted Mr Sticklers scow came up Mr Genie started and Turned Back at 1 Row of making soap Potatoes

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5th of June 1895 Fine Mr Genie went off Gave him a Lot of Bottles Bread Butter a scow went Down working at the Boathouse Unfortunate Day

6th On This Day of the Month Mr John A McDonald Departed 1891 Fine W Wind Mr Stickler Mr Billy Stickler here for the Boys to Load sand John and Gordon Went Paid them 50 cents Each Went with their Load Putting stones to the East side of the Boathouse sawing and Piling wood

7th Sheared the sheep Fine Ionia and I Fishing

8th Fine Got Rock salt 20 John H went to Dundee had sturgeon and Pike Fernandez came

9th Aunty Marys Birth Day 1813 at the Potatoes on the {illegible} Randolph here Mr Badger and Mrs Badger here

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9th of June 1895 Very Warm Mr Badger and Mrs Badger here John H came from Dundee

10th Fine at the Potatoes Lewis's for Butter and Milk Sent with Gordon for a Bag of salt 65 cents at Hagartys Uncle Bill here and Pat Washing the Wool Fernandez went to Frasers

11th Fine Drew some stones Finished the First hoeing of the Potatoes St Barnabas Day Leander went to Get a Took out chickens out a Lamb Saturday Morning Bought of Tyo 5 B Tubs 125 Tea 30 Hoeing the Beans 12th Unfortunate Day Fine very warm cut or sawed the Big Pine Gordon Leander and Stanley Bill Morris and Leander went Down to Sheep Island Rain heavy Thunder and Lightning Leander to Dundee

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13th of June 1895 Corpus Christie some Rain and Thunder cutting and sawing up the Wood and Rubbish and Piling Gordon Bill Johnnie Leander came Lewis Lazore here Telling us of a Beast that Barnharts wife seen up near Dr Dickinsons Island

14th Rained some Fixing a hoop on the Fish Tub spreading the Ground on the Big Cellar another Lamb the Columbia went Down

15th Fine Gordon to Summerstown Boys Fishing and cutting Rushes Put small Pigs in the yard they came out a Fortunate Day Fine Wind

16th an Unfortunate Day John H Went up to See old Mr Tyo's Folks Smallmans Boat at the Point to Day some strawberries ripe now Fernandez came Gordon to church Got the corn meal yesterday {illegible} Lent 2 Books to Bill - Corinthians

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17th of June 1895 Fine Fixing around the yard Fernandez crofsted to A Frasers Put the Boards out of the Barn in the stable loft Fixing his Boat at the River Mr Genie here to night

18th Day of June The Memorable Battle of Waterloo very warm Day Gordon and Leander went to Lancaster Making a Ladder Stanley and John Drawing the Rubbish up from the shanty Genie went off

19th very hot and Sultry Put the plough Through the potatoes making a Pen for the small Pigs Put some Boards on the Logs of the Barn Gordon crofsted to Summerstown Fishing at night Got a =

20th Mr Genie went off Ionia and I Fishing at the Kit Kit

21st Raining 2 Men here for Bread First Day of Summer

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22nd of June 1895 Uncle Dan's Birth Day Fine Warm Lots of Boats going to Day a Raft went Down Leander Drilling a hole in a Big stone in the Potatoe field to Blast it some time cut the Tails of the Lambs Mr Ronald Sandified McDonald Buried to Day

23rd Gordon to church Brought 2 Books From the Library Lewis here Got Butter Potatoes Bread Tobacco his People away Fernandez came had a Dog got from Donald McGillis Fine John H went to the Point

24th Fine St John the Babtiste Day Went to Lewis's for Tobacco plants Unfortunate Day put out 12 Plants in the Garden

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25th of June 1895 Fine Diggin a peice for Tobacco Bill Morris here Weeding very very hot Weather 2 Rafts went Down put out 40 went to Fish to night

26th Fine Bill went off the 3 Boys went to Dundee took 2 Tubs of Butter to sell E Wind Dug some in the Marsh and Rushes Back Marsh 1 small Tub and 1 Large 1 To John Tyo Bought of J Tyo 3 lb of Tea 1.200 of Flour 460 Dollars 3 Sodo 25 Fork 30 2 scyths 1 Fuse 27 do 8 cents 4 yds 80 2 Whet Stones 1/4 lb of Powder 10) 8, 28 got Butter 11.25 Rained Thunder Lightning

27th Rain Thunder Put 2 shots of Blasting off

28th Fine Fernandez went to Frasers Leander and John H went down with him Made a Stack of hay out of the Barn Gordon Came put the Pig in alone

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James Cameron Island

29th of June 1895 Fine St Peter & St Paul weeding the Garden Mr George Morris here Willie Kimball and a Lot of other with him for Baits Looking for the calf Gordon crofsted the Paul Smith went up to Stanley Island

30th George went off had some Perch and EEIs very Fine Gordon to Sacramento to Day

1st of July Dominion Day a very Fine Day John H and Livinia went to Dundee Took a Tub of Butter and 15 1/2 Doz of Eggs 1..86 Butter 4.35 | 20 yards calico 1 yds of overalls stuff 20 1 plug 5 Grater 10 Boots 80 Fork 40 Powder 10 Gordon to Cornwall to the Games Mr Kenna McDonald here mowed some a Road cotton 15 yds 97 1/2 2 pair 25 Stocking 1 Pair Stockings 10 Hat 50 Fishing some a Tent on Plum Island Willie Kimball netting 15 cinnamon 15

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James Cameron Island

2nd of July 1895 Fine Warm cutting on the Lower Point Leander and John H Salted the cattle on the Pit Point made some Fires in old Stumps Lots of EEI Flies Stanley gathering and Making coils

3rd Fine Warm The Hamilton went Down MaryAnn Lewis here for Butter and Milk and Paid for what Lewis got Willie Kimball here Palmer Stiles Stephen for Baits Mowed some in the Grove Weeding the carrots set some fire on the Pitt Point Digging a Little at the marsh Ditch Killed the calve for the Pelt Lots of Boats went to Day Gordon crofsted to church Taking in the cherries as the Birds will have them all eat

4th American Independence very Fine Day Lots of People to Hopkins Point on the Boat Leander Gordon and John H went Mowed some in the Grove

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James Cameron Island

5th of July 1895 Uncle Johns Birth Day 1803 Fine the 3 Boys Mowing on the Lower Point Gathering in the Grove 80 coils made now

6th Fine E Wind Lots of Boats a Going 2 of Lewis's here for Milk and Butter Putting in the First Hay Put it on the East side Gordon crofsted I went up around the Island water very Low very very Hot Weather these Days

7th Fine Gordon to church

8th Fine Willie Kimble and another here for Baits Gorden Went to Cattanachs to work Leander John and Stanley Mowing in the South side Fishing Perch Mowing some in the Grove something wrong with the Algerian Sunday

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James Cameron Island

9th of July 1895 Rained this Morning much Wanted a Fortunate Day Fine Windy Mowing cool

10th Unfortunate Day Fine Mr Kelly and Uncle Bill here Making coils on the south side from the Grove Mowing 3 Men Fishing one of them is Billy Bone Leander went to Summerstown got the Mail & the Budget Speech From RR McLennan

11th Fine Putting in the Stable Loft and the Barn Raking Gathering all cleaned of the South side put in from Back of the Barn Martin here for Butter

12th Orangemen Day Fine put in 2 Loads of hay Back of the Barn Rakng Lots of Smoke Big Fires some where a Few Drops of Rain Lewis wife Mary Ann here Bought Berries Flour Butter oil Leander for mail

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James Cameron Island

13th of July 1895 Fine Barnhart at the Head of the Island Looking for Jo Ducquet Bun Mowing Putting in

14th Fine John H Went to Dundee took a calfs skin with him

15th Fortunate Day cutting hay Putting in Making coils St Swithins Day Killing in Making coils Killed a Mutton and its a Good wone E Wind John H came 16th Fine cloudy some Drops of Rain made some coils Mowing Lewis here gave him the sheeps head Butter and Milk salt Mrs McLeod's Barns stables and Hay Burnt yesterday night Jo Genie here to night and Shora the Blacksmith Fixing the Buoy at Francis Island Drilling a hole in a Stone at our Island Raining some tonight Lower Field all cut

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James Cameron Island

17th of July 1895 Fine 2 of Lewis's here for Smooth irons Went to Na Houtas Island to Fish Stanley and I Got 49 Perch some Windy Worms not Plenty with the Drouth Mowing in the West Field the 3 of them Leander John H and Stanley Mowing the Rushes and they mowed them Before Lots of Boats a Going to Day

18th Fine Turning Gathering Making coils got a Runner for the Jumper Broke one of the Runners Leander crofsed for the Mail got a Liverpool Mercury From Dan in England

19th Fine Fernandez I B Day 1874 some Drops of Rain putting a Runner in the Jumper all in of the Lower Field set a Fire in the Brush Fence Lewis here for Butter and Milk

20th very warm Boys Mowing in the upper Field about Done of it only whats at the Fence for marsh hay Mr Genie came

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James Cameron Island

21st of July 1895 Fine John H went to Hopkins Point E Wind 2 Here from Lemays for Butter 3 lbs 45 Paid 5 lb 75 paid 50 25 Due

22nd at Marsh hay Raking and Gathering Hay Putting in the Last of the Fine hay Mr Stickler here for Sand John H worked 1/2 Day got 50 cents Gave John H 2.25 for me Lewis 2 Boys for Butter and Milk

23 Genie went to Summerstown Mowing Back Marsh and the oakfield John H went to the Point very warm

24th Fine Mowing making coils Genie went Down put a Board and the Bell on the White Cow

25th Fine Shows in Cornwall Mowing in the oakfield Leander and John H went to Dundee took 2 Tubs of Butter Lewis Boys for Rake Butter Milk St James Shirting 4 Tubs 1 Tub 200 Flour Tea Boots

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James Cameron Island

26th of July 1895 Fine Mowing Done Mowing in the oakfield Burnt some Brush Genie to Lancaster very Dry time

27th Drew 2 Loads of Marsh hay for stack commenced to Rain which is most wanted E Wind have 212 Made and more to Make of Hay Digging part of the Ditch Leander John H and Stanley cut the Top with the Sword the oak Tree at the Door Whitewashed yesterday and the cookhouse

28th Fine Genie to Lancaster for his Salt 2 in a Boat Passed

29th Fine Looks Like Rain commenced a Mowing in the Front Marsh Put up 60 coils Made coils in the oakfield cutting at the Trench Ground and Logs Rain to night all coiled in the Oakfield

30th The P.J Pic Nic Rained High Wind Tore Down the old Stable Mowing the Oats on the Hill Thunder only seen 6 of the sheep and 4 Lambs Got the other Sheep

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James Cameron Island

31st of July 1895 High Wind Rained very cool cranes Plenty Ploughing the Ditch in the Back Marsh to Let the Water Run Mr Genie at it with us Leander John H Stanley and I Drew some stones to the Bank Mr Genie Made a yoke for the White Cow

1st of August Lammas Day Fine Windy cutting in the Marsh Mr Genie Digging him and I at the Ditch made 150 Feet Leander and John H Dug out to the Water Put the yoke on the White Cow the

Kitchen cook-stove fell Down and Broke Moved the other stove to the cookhouse had cucumbers to Day some Rain Shot a crane Firing at Blackbirds in the oats

2nd Fine Minnies B Day Mr Genie and I working at the Drain or Ditch Making stack some Rain cutting some Marsh hay John H crofised to Summerstown Bought 3 spools

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James Cameron Island

3rd of Augt 1895 Fine some Drops of Rain Genie at the Ditch Finishing the stack of Marsh hay

4th Fine Gordon came had his new Suit Leander and him went to Dundee Genie went to Cornwall he is Fishing to night got a Sturgeon Gordon went off

5th Fine cutting the oats Down East put in for the First oats 3 Loads to Day Genie and I at the Ditch to the Fence cutting Brush in the oakfield W Wind

6th Randolph's B Day 1867 The Duke of Edingburgh B Day 1844 Finished the oakfield making a Stack next the Fence Began to Rain Thunder & Lightning most awful high Wind Kind of S West Blew Down a Fine Stack took some of the other 2 Marsh hay stack

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James Cameron Island

Augt 7th 1895 Rained very hard this Morning and some Last night Mr John Hall or(Hog) From Hog-Island here came in From the storm of Rain Lots of Trees Broken with the Wind high Wind to Day Thunder Lightning

8th Fine Windy Mowing the oats in the Upper Field Mowed the Peice Below the Garden one peice of oats in the upper Feild not Ripe cutting hay out the Wet Place Mr Genie went off Lots of Apples Down with the Wind and Butternuts

9th Gordon came had 1 Doz of Tumblers 3 Boxes of Matches Soap Blackening Carpet shoes Tobacco Fixed the stacks

10th Gordon and Sissy went with the Wool a very very warm Day Bought of J Summers 12 yds for Sissy putting in oats

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James Cameron Island

11th of August 1895 Fine Fernandez came Genie came Fernandez took 1 of the Guns Moses Lemay here took 5 lb Butter Payed 25 he owed Thunder Rain Lightning

12th Fine at the Ditch cutting oats the East Peice in the Upper Field Louis Hence and Mifs Howard here for Gordon to go to work cutting oats

13th Fine at the Ditch cutting oats and cut the Green Oats next the Bush one of the Ducks Dead at the River yesterday

14th at the Ditch putting in oats Tramping in the Mow Genie went off to night one of the sheep Dead
John H went to Summerstown Fishing to night

15th Rained Fine Lets the Cows pigs in to Day and the Horses They are Mauling

16th Fine Day Mr John Tyo and Mr Allan a a Boy of Jo Lemays had a Drop of Good stuff They are ---
-- John H went up with them to Dundee with Sissy & Ionia putting in Marsh hay Pigs went to {cut off}

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James Cameron Island

17th of Augt 1895 Summerstown Yesterday Bought of

17th Fine cut Marsh hay Made a Stack 2 Men here Last night wanting to Fish one of them is Bodway
setting Fire in the oakfield Finished the hay Thunder no Rain came on very squally for a While

18th Fine Rain high Wind Gordon came from Howards and crofsed over to night

19th Bismarck's Birth Day 1870 Fine Leander and John H went to Dundee Bought 250 Wt of Flour 1
Dollars worth of Tea Braces Shot Powder Cash 2 Tubs of Butter to J Tyo Stanley and I cutting hay
along the Fence Grubbing alders and Willows took a very Bad Pain in my hip high Wind Rain and
some Hail

20th Fine coole air Eclipse to Day New Moon a new Boat went up cut some Brush at the Wet Place

21st Windy some Rain Fine cool a Man for Butter cutting Brush Taking in Beans

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James Cameron Island

22nd of Augt 1895 Fine Lewis here Genie came had honey sugar apples Gordon came to night I and
Stanley Fishing Lots of Boats Going now

23rd Fine Windy Rain 2 Boys here made a Pole for the Well Gordon Trowing Got Pickerel Pike Boys
and Genie Fishing to night

24th Raining hard Gordon went to Cornwall Bought Plain square 2 Gimlets a concern for a Bench
Rubber Coat and so on

25th Fine

26th Leander and Stanley to cutting march hay near the Mouth of Salmon River

27th Working at the Ditch Lewis here cut weeds on the Little Island south side warm Fishing Leander
went to Dundee took a small Tub to Shetla

28th Fine Working at the Ditch Let the water Run Lucias for Butter some Rain this Evening made 15
coils of hay Front Marsh St Augustine Day

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James Cameron Island

29th of August 1895 Fine Heard Lucretia was Buried to Day cut some Brush Genie Fishing Leander to Douquets

30th Fine very warm cutting Brush and Laying Down wood Gordon Plaining Boards Making Preserves Genie went off took his Fish with him gave him a Loaf &

31st Last Day of August Fine high Wind Rained Fixing the shafts of the Cutter Gordon Grinding his Tools Taking up the Potato onions Water very Low

1st of September St Giles Day Hunting Begins in Lower Canada Fine John H John Morris Men Georges Girl Herbert Annie came sold 2 of the Pigs to Johnny 7 Sent 2 Fish to ----- Lucias for Butter

2nd Labor Day Went and mowed a small Stack made the first one Gordon crofsted took his Tools Fixed Fence at the stacks Lucias here for Butter

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James Cameron Island

3rd of September 1895 Dan's Birth Day 1846 Fine Day Windy Lemays For Butter 35 lbs of Butter Lucias for Took in the Pop corn cut the stalks cut Brush shot 3 Black Ducks 1 to Day 2 Hawks chicken Hawks Lewis for Butter Last night 2 lbs to Pay when his Woman comes home

4th D.C.F.'s Birth Day one year old to Day 1894 Fine cutting Brush at the Wet Place went to Little Island North side Fishing Ionia and I Painting the Cutter Mr Genie came to night

5th John Angus B Day 1850 a Pic Nic or social Fort the Church (Salem) at Hamiltons place Leander and Stanley to make a stack at Salmon River Genie Brought 3 Bags of Apples

6th Fine Annie Livinia Stanley 20 1/2 Dozen of Eggs Genie to Cornwall Corn starch

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James Cameron Island

7th of Sept 1895 Fine hung up Tobacco Fernandez came had a Ram Lamb Genie came Livinia Stanley came Billy Morris and John H came Bought 3 Pairs of Boots calico cotton Shirting Blue corn-starch Gordon came to night The Standard's Time's up to Day Heard Janet Buchanan Got a Bad Fall Randolph here to night

8th Fine all the Boys went of

9th Fine some Cloudy Raw Turned Fine Mr Craigs Boys here and a Friend of his named Sullivan From Montreal Looking for to Buy Poultry to come Friday for them Stanley Drawing the Logs of the old Stable Getting Sturgeon

10th Fine Day E Wind Drawing Stones to the Bank put a handle in the axe a scow Load of Cattle Crofsing

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James Cameron Island

11th of Sept 1895 Fair commenced in Williamstown Rained Wind Thunder Lightning Turned Fine
Leander Fishing Heavy Thunder and Sharp Lightning to night with wind and Rain

12th Fine Began to Rain and Blow hard North wind Genie went off Gave him a sturgeon salted in the
Brine 8 or 9 sturgeon not very good weather for the Fair in Williamstown went to the Head of the
Island oak nuts Falling

13th Fine windy Stanley Gathering oaknuts Keeping in the Hens and Ducks For Arthur Craig as he is
buying Fowls Leander went to Hunt got nothing

14th Arthur Craig came for the Ducks 18 of them Hens and Chickens 20 Gave 2 Dollars to Day Shot
a Snipe Gordon came had the Mail Got a Letter from D M Mc

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James Cameron Island

15th of Sept 1895 Fine Mr and Mrs Ide Billy Morris here to Dinner Bought a Fish Leander and
Gordon to Douquets

16th Fine clearing and Brushing in the upper Field Mowing weeds

17th Fine W Wind cutting Brush Boys salting sturgeon cutting and Grubbing Peeling apples at night
Water still Low one of Lucias for Butter

18th Fine Few Drops of Rain Cool East Wind Leander went to Dundee took a Tub of Butter cut
cornstalks put them in the Barn an Eclipse to Day Bought of Mr Tyo 100 of Flour 2 Tea 3 lb 1 Dollar
Pair of Pants shot Got 4 Dol on the Pigs sold 1 of the young Pigs Bill to Get one Mr Genie came to
night had his Stone-Lifter and its Rigging a Pair of Boots for Stanley 1.25. 3 Tubs

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James Cameron Island

19th of Sept 1895 The Jewis New Year Begins to Day Fine Put the Stump up in the Grove and took
out an oak-stump then took it up to the upper Field took out an Elm stump Mr Genie helping us took
up a Few Rows of Potatoes put some small ones in a Barrel or Puncheon put them in the Frame
cellar

20th Fine Took up Potatoes Johny Morris and John H came to Fish at night had Pine Mr Genie went
to Cornwall Gave him 5 Dollars to Get Provender took the apples From the Hill at the Wet Place E
Wind

21st Fine W Wind the Boys took the 3 small Pigs Gave them a small sturgeon and the Fish they
caught Last night Mr Genie came had the Provinder 5 Bags Putting in Potatoes about 20 Bushels in
now

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James Cameron Island

22nd of Sept 1895 St Matthew) Sun crosses the Line Equinoxical Gales about now Five Day DMM and Mrs McMaster here Randolph took them Down From Douquets heard the Grenada Busted some of her works and heard the Bohminian was aground in the Rappits

23 Fine Began to Blow West wind very high at the Potatoes Lots of nuts Falling

24th Fine at the Potatoes Sissy and Gordon went to Lancaster Got the yarn 30 lb 2 Pieces of cloth 22 yds in one Peice and about the same in the other Peice Bought a Tea-Pot 1 Dol Genie gathered 2 Bags of nuts

25th Fine put in the Rams Gordon went to the Fair Malone Stanley and I to Fish got Pine Windy to night

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James Cameron Island

26th of Sept 1895 Thunder and Lightning this Morning Rained hard Windy Wrote a Letter to Dan and sent a silver spoon that was Left By mistake some cherries and 3 cakes of sugar for the children

27th Fine Gordon came From Malone Fair Windy

28th Fine Windy George Morris and Alexander McCain and son here stopt all night Gordon and Leander made a Soft maple Trough for the Pigs Livinia and Stanley Went to the P.O. Gave them 25 cents a peice for Going with the Letter They Bought a can of Honey Got a Basket of apples at Hamiltons Sent the Letter and the Box off Mr Haggarty took the Box to the Station

29th St Michael Fine Windy Harrowed the Potatoes yesterday and a Boy here for Gordon to go to make a Drdge

30th Fine Windy cool Began to Plough in the upper Field

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James Cameron Island

1st of Oct 1895 fine Ionia Birth Day 1883 Windy Ploughing Moved the stove to the Frame Gordon Fixed the holes for the Pipes

2nd Fine Windy Finished Ploughing in the upper Field cutting and Piling Brush

3rd Fortunate Day Leander and Stanley went for the Waggon took it home got apples John H came Set 2 Lines for Sturgeon Hoed up some Potatoes cut some Brush East Wind a very Fine Day Gordon went acrofs took a Gun with him Heard that Willie Mills Died yesterday

4th Fine Killed the Hog Putting out Manure Fixing in the storehouse Went home with Hamiltons Boat

5th Very Fine Time Mr Genie came from Lancaster Boys setting Lines Putting out Manure The Shortis Trial going on now

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James Cameron Island

6th of October 1895 Fine E Wind Fernandez came Mr Genie went to Cornwall took his Butternuts Gave him an Iron Bar for the scow he is to Returned it the scow to me when he is Done with it as I hav use for it

7th Fine Fernandez went off Gordon went off a Fortunate Day Leander went to Dundee Took a Tub of Butter Bought of J Tyo Flour 2 Tea 1 Soda 5 Ginger 40 sugar 20 Shovel 1.50 Duck-coat 2 Boots 2.50 caps oil Moving the Smiddy in Dundee Putting out manure on the oakfield not very well Sold 3 Dollars of Butter to Lucias Gave them 3 plugs of Tobacco a Few Drops of Rain Windy

8th Windy cool clearing Brush West Peice putting out Manure Leander came peeling apples Feeding the Horses

9th Fine Windy Unfortunate Day Trimmed the oak Trees 3 of Them cutting Brush cut cedar and Poles for Blinds St Denis Day Frost to night

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James Cameron Island

19th of Oct 1895 Fine Day W Wind Put a Little Banking around the West & South side Piling some Brush put a Few Load of Manure out John H Cleaning his Sturgeon to salt Them Seen Wild Geese going West Black Birds plenty John H to Summerstown for Salt 2 of Lewis Boys here for Milk Butter Yum-Kipper (Birth 2)

11th Unfortunate Day Took Down the Horse Stable Putting out manure Drawing out nails Windy

12th Fine Some Rain E Wind Putting up the Horse Stable Pulled some onions Gordon came to night

13 Gordon went to church Fine

14th Fine at the stable Took Down the Hen-house Drawing out nails and spikes Randolph here Fixing his Gun Lots of Black Ducks some shooting

15th Fine a Few Grains of snow Lots of Shooting to Day Leander Making Blinds Leander to Douquets John H has his Barrel Full

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James Cameron Island

16th of October 1895 Fine South West Wind Fortunate Day covering the stable put out manure a Good Deal of Shooting some Wild Geese

17th Fine Windy north a Gale passed north some Drops of snow Taking the Floor up of the old stable put the hay in the new Stable set Traps for the animal that Taking away our Fish chinking the Stable

18th St Luke's Dau Fine some Wind Got the Mink that was taking away our Bait Set Fires up in the Brush heaps Turned the Pine stick in the March Fixing at the Stable

19th very high W Wind 2 Men here Early Mr Sewell and John Renshaw Leander went with Mr Sewell to Cat Island a very windy Day came Back to night Lucias here for Butter

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James Cameron Island

20th of October 1895 Fine But Windy Leander and Mr Sewell Shooting Snipe and Plover Gordon came they went up to Mr Jo Douquets leander came to night

21st Gordon crofsted working at the Stable took in the Garden Stuff 2 Kinds of carrots Turnips onions 2 Kinds squashes Beets Beans Cucumber Melons corn and Potatoes Tomatos cutting Brush Plastering

22nd fine Windy set Fire at the Ditch went around the Island Put the Cows in the Garden Let the Young Pigs out Leander went to Mr Douquets

23rd Livinia's(Sissy) B Day 1868 Fine Working at the Floor of the Stable and Plastering the East side a Hunter here for straw to fill his Tick Gave John H 20 Mr Craig here paid Livinia 5 Dollars & 50 cents Due on the Fowls

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James Cameron Island

24th of Oct 1895 Our Hugh's Birth Day Fine Windy set Fire in the oakfield Ploughing some of the Potato Ground put in the Mare in the New Stable something wrong with Sport

25th St Crispin all Shoemakers Day My Birth Day 1825 70 years old to Day at 4 o clock Burning Brush in the West Oak Field Plastering the stable Plo Found the axe we Lost a year ago

26th Fine Froze some Last night Found 1 of the Hammers Finished Ploughing the Potato Ground a Good Lot of shooting to Day Boiling Feed for the Pigs Burning Brush at the Ditch

27th Unfortunate Day E Wind Mr Genie came Gordon crofsted to church Windy to night West wind Heard Locklin Cattonach was Buried yesterday

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James Cameron Island

28th of Oct 1895 W Wind very very high to Day and to night Ploughed some Put out some manure 2 Hunters here tonight Mr Atswater and Mr Oliver Monica stopt till Morning set some Brush a Fire in the Back Marsh Heard Randolph was not very well

29th Fine Banking the stable putting Hay in the stable loft Fixed the Gable end of the stable Mr Genie cutting Pine

30th Frost Last night Fine set Fire in the West oakfield Plastering the stable Boiling Feed for the Pigs Mr Genie went off

31st Holy Eve all Hallows HallowEEEn the night of the Fairies Fine E Wind Turned to South West John H went to Dundee with 1/2 Barrel of Sturgeon Trimmed an oak sent the yard 3 lb

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James Cameron Island

1st of Nov 1895 All Saints Day The Harvest Month of Death Fine Windy Mr Rayside Departed cut Brush Plastering

2nd November All Souls Day Fine Dany Spink here EW John H came had a sack that was paid for Before Bought Powder Shot Pipe and a stem nails Ploughed some 2 Hemstraps put in rings in the Pigs nose Heard Mr Minkler Departed Gordon came

3rd on this Day of the Month Granda Departed 1857 Fine Fernandez came a Big Fire Last night or this morning at the Depot Livinia went to Lewis's Seen John Ronald McDonelly Death in the Paper of Williamstown aged 74

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James Cameron Island

4th of Nov 1895 Fine E Wind Leander T Jack Dan Spink came for the Bull Gathering oak-nuts opened the Garden Fence

5th Guy Fawks Day the Gun powder Plot Fine Putting Manure on the Garden Sissy and Stanley went to Summerstown with 4 lb of Butter 15 60 cents Sold to Mr Haggarty Bought Turkish Dys RRR Lamp Chimney nutmegs 10 a Fortunate DAY heard Shortis is to be Hung

6th a very Fine Day at Manure cleaning around the yard Fine Leander here to Dinner a Lot of Boats a Going to Day

7th Helen's B Day Fine some Rain Ploughed some in the Garden Spread the manure 2 Men speaking to John H Triming Trees in the Grove a Lot of Ducks to night Heard John McPherson got his Leg Broke

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James Cameron Island

8th of November 1895 Fine Leander and Billy Bowen here Hunting one of Lewis Boys for Milk Butter and Cedar the other Boy for the Boat that John H got From unc Bill he says he got orders to Get it Gordon came to night Rained hard to night Got Papers From D M M E Wind

9th Prince of Wales Birth Day E Wind Rained hard Wind High Gordon and John H went to Dundee Put up the small stove in the West End Put in the cows to night the Boys Stopt in Dundee to night

10th W Wind John and Gordon came Bought chisel Spirit-Level saw set Files overalls

11th Fine Randolph & Leander came Putting out Manure Taking in the scow

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James Cameron Island

12th of Nov 1895 Fine Frosty putting out Manure Taking in the Rest of the scow Leander Shot 6 Ducks Martinmas Day old Holy Eve Fernandez came Trimmed the Apple Tree in the Grove

13th Fine East Wind Drawing nails out of the Scow Ploughed the Rest of the Garden Boy Hunting Fernandez and John H went to Dundee took Big Tub of Butter Bought of J Tyo Flour 100 4 Tea 1 Soda Tobacco Shot Powder Sugar 14th Fernandez and John Came Drawing nails out of the scow

15th Ploughing the Potato Ground at the south End Digging the stone Took out 2 Stumps Hicory and cherry Rain Got 7 EEs in the Mud

16th Plough Fried a Blast in the Stone Banking the House Shut the outside cellar Door made Stairs for the cellar

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James Cameron Island

17th of Nov 1895 Fine Got some EEs Gordon crofsed

18th Fine Working at the stable put in stalls for the cows Ploughing at the End of the Potato Ground

19th Fine Leander went to Dundee For Provender E Wind Putting out Manure Drawing nails cleaned the Ditch some Places Windy Mr Genie came Took a Bag of Apples Box of Crackers Dishotel Passed Down Alexandra went up 2 Tows Went Down Windy and Foggy to night Bought of J Tyo 200 of Flour Bran and shorts nails Due on This

20th Fortunate Day some Rain Freezing to night cutting Brush Poles Fixing stalls in the Stable Putting out manure Gordon came Got a Letter From D M M and Papers

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James Cameron Island

21st of Nov 1895 Unfortunate Day on This Day of the Month D M Master Senior Departed 1846 Windy Thanksgiving Day Snowed Last night Froze hard Gordon Filing his Saws Boys Fixing in the Stable put the 2 Big Pigs in the upper Stable

22 Fine E Wind Gordon crofsed to hunt after a Deer a NY Hunter here for Leander Barry took him here Mr Genie and John H Went to Lancaster for Pine Boards for a Door and Buttry 2nd Quality 16 Dollars a Thousand took 2.80 cents worth of Lumber Paid this Mr Genie took the chain ice making out a Peice from the Shore Lewis Boy here for a Pot and Butcher-knives onions Milk a Big Time on Cornwall to night

23rd Stormy Drifting E Wind Gordon Making the Door and the Buttry Harnefsed the Horses to the Sleigh

24th Randolph here Mr Genie Towed to Cornwall

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James Cameron Island

25th of Nov 1895 St Catherine's Day Windy East Snowing Drifting hailing Raining Fixing Shelves in the Buttery Smoky

26th Rain Fine Windy West working at the Door up stairs putting it on the outside Fixing stalls on the south side Put out some Manure put a Load on the Banking very Windy snow very near Gone

27th Fine cool windy Fishing EEIs got 3 Gave them to Genie he came from Cornwall Got a Pail and 2 Barrels from him Leander and Gordon cutting Logs Put out some manure no Boats to Day Sawed the South Limb of the Apple Tree water Raised

28th Fine Gordon and John H went to cut Wood for John McPherson Fixing Stalls in the Horse stable

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James Cameron Island

29th Nov 1895 a very very Fine Day Fernandez Got 4 EEIs Leander got 3 Ducks Piling up Rubbish at Wood

30th St Andrews Day The Festival of the Scotch Firing some shots Drawing the Sticks of Wood From the Yard The Mare hurted her Foot a Tug with a Barge went Down Yesterday none to Day Gordon and John H came to night

1st of December Sunday in Advent 2 of Lewis Boys here took home the Pot and the Knives E Wind Leander Sewell and Randolph on the Little Island North side Gordon and John H crofsed no Lights to night

2nd EW Snowing Killed the 2 hogs to Day

3rd W Wind Frosty cut up the Pork

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James Cameron Island

4th of Dec 1895 E Wind Frosty 2 Indians here one of Serwattis Boys Looking for a Bun Lost 2 Months ago they went to squaw Island They were eying our Hicory Stanley Makeing a Horse Quilt Took some of the Onions cabbage Pumpkins out of the cellar into the other cellar

5th Frosty some Wind Gordon came from Craigs Working at a Sugarhouse went acrofs again one of Lewis's Boys here for a Saw and a Hammer took the Mail Gordon did

6th Fine Stove Put a Door on the inside of the Horse -Stable John H working at Duncan Gs

7th Windy Frosty Gordon and John H came to night

8th Windy Frosty Randolph here Fernandez went to A Frashers Gordon went to Concession I put in the Tin Stove on the 6th

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James Cameron Island

9th of Dec 1895 Frosty Windy Harnefsed Jack the Big Colt Put out some Manure Making a Place for the Sheep and Pigs

10th Leanders B Day 1872 Fine W Wind Worked the colt he Goes well Drew a Load of Oak Limbs Drawing Manure Broke the Jumper cutting in the Rushes for covering Sawing stove-wood Frosty to night

11th Wind cold Frosty Day smoke on the River taking Potatoes out of the cellar and putting them in the other cellar sawing stove wood Frosty night to night Windy Grinding the axes ice made out to the Little Island N. Side {illegible}ade to the Kit Kit From Little Island W Smokey Frosty Windy Made an axehandle Making Halters ice taken to Night

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James Cameron Island

13th of Dec 1895 Some places the ice is taken to Day a Good many air-holes E Wind and Frosty Drew the Boat to the airhole at the Little Island shot some Ducks

14th E Wind the 2 Boys went to Tupperts Island Kitt Kit and Rofs's seen the Fox got a Rat John H and Leander crofsed to Summerstown put some Bushes

15th Fine Gordon came Fernandez came Leander and John H went to Lewis Lasor Gordon crofsed Fernandez crofsed

16th Fine W Wind Drew Manure Drew a Load of Stones to the Wharf Mr Dan Fraser and Son here for a Ra{illegible} took him over in the cutter

17th Leander and John H went to Dundee Bought and axe 75 Boots Drawers 50

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James Cameron Island

18th Dec 1895 Fine some Drops of Rain Thawing shot 2 Ducks in the airholes John H crofsed to Summerstown Bought Thread got the Mail Wrote a Letter to Day to send to Bismarck Dated on the inside the 20th the ice cracking a Good Deal John and Stanley Fishing EEIs Rained to night

19th Fortunate Day Rain E Wind very Foggy Fishing EEIs skinning EEIs to night cleaning

19 warm ice going some

20th Last Day of Fall Fine Day Fishing EEIs Got 20 ice Jaming hard to night Tried to got to Lewis's ice too Bad Drew some Stones Unfortunate Day

21st First Day of Winter a Very Fine Day E Wind Fishing EEl's ice going Down Jamming unfortunate Day St Thomas Day

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22nd of Dec 1895 Fine Randolph here

23 Leander and John H went to Lewis for the Pig John crof'sed to Summerstown cutting wood up in the sugar Bush at the camp

24th Christmas Eve Ploughed a Peice Down at the Shanty Leander and Stanley John crof'sed to Summerstown Sent to Bismarck a Letter Gordon came had 2 Brooms a very Fine Day Rained Last Night White Frost Fernandez came Got a Pair of Felts From Gordon Bought 3 Pair of hinges 12 cents

25th Christmas Day Fine E Wind Leander Fernandez went to Rofs's Island D Spinks here Fishing EEl's got 7 a Rainbow to Day Had a Drink of Sap to Day

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26th of Dec 1895 Fine E Wind changed to West Gordon crof'sed John H and Fernandez crof'sed Ploughing on the Lower Point south side Just where Charlie Tupper had his house Letting the Water run at the Wet Place Below the House cut up the apple Tree in the stove wood St Stephen's Day

27th St John the Evangelist Fine W Wind Rained to night Ploughing on the Lower Point Put 2 Blasts off in a Big Flat Stone John H and Fernandez came stopt at McPhersons all night Boys made 2 axe Handles

28th Froze snowed Last night John H crof'sed

29th Uncle Angus Camerons B Day Fine Lewis Lasore here took home the Hammer and Saw

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30th of Dec 1895 very Fine E Wind Leander John H went to Dundee 3 Tubs of Butter Stanley and I at Stones and Brush cutting at the Plumtrees Trimmed some of the apple trees Uncle Bill Billy and Moses Ledger came to spear EEl's wind Raised commenced to Rain and Rained hard and Blew hard all night Leander and John H came Bought of J Tyo 200 of Flour 3.60 3 lbs of Tea 75 Pants 175 overalls 50 oil 75 overalls 50 Pants 175 Tobacco Shoes 1.50 46 yds of Cotton 3.22 Tobacco 10 that's 12.82 Due 12.20 Butter 139 lbs at 18

31st Last Day of the Year very very Windy Blowing very hard Blew Down the Butternut Tree near the House River all White snowed a Little wter in the cellar Blew in and Broke 1 of the Big Glass in the West Window

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