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Mr James Cameron Island 28th December
 Saturday the 28th cold this Day Freezing hard not making
 much ice with the North West wind sun went down under
 a cloud Drew a Drag went with the scow to the Bush
 Went around the Island slipping for Gray washing
 my Skis washed my feet Dreaming of seeing a splash
 in the water a Great way off Great Dreams every
 night about Summers folks Frosty to night all
 well using oil for Light Sunday the 29th the ice
 made a little East Wind circle round the Sun seen
 Charlie going to Kops Island Suspense for Wood
 Went to the Pitt Point Made a Musenjungo
 of Whiskey Essence of Peppermint Molasses & water so
 I would have something for the New Year good
 canoeing yet a Pair of Sugar Birds around all
 this fall here seen the Blue cat I got at Hamilton
 and I did not see her since We took her here
 which was on the third of August 30th snowed
 some last night Nor West wind Began to thrash
 thrashed 2 of Loose & 2 of shaves put the straw in the hen house
 Made candles ^{7 colors} My Favourite watch out of order 31st Last Day
 of the year East Wind thrashed a floor or 2 Fanning 10 Peck
 Measure cutting stone Wood all well all alone the night
 Mr David Summers Ball The cars going to Jay Hill to
 split very little ice around the shores Set up to
 10 clock Shooting JANUARY the 1st 1862
 Shooting away the old year or should be shooting on the new
 year put out the Bapwood canoe went to the
 Little Island south side got some corn Went
 with the canoe to the Head of the Island
 turned it over so to have steady wind changed
 Raining Began to blow very hard Took a sleep
 at night almost Blew the house down mending
 my coat Blowing the Master Bull at my tail

the 2nd 1862

Mr James Cameron Island January
 the Wind last night put down the Plaster
 Fixing Boards on the cracks stuffing the
 cracks with Rags & Paper very frosty if it
 holds on the ice will take slipping walking
 Put the Blanket on Gray cold North
 Wind Sun the New Moon a 11th
 if there was no wind the ice would take
 3rd Allens Birth Day, a cold Day the ice
 thinking to take Anchor ice commenced
 going down I believe it is taken between
 here and Christies to night not taken on
 the North side only little past the Little Island
 I seen this evening what I did not believe before
 that is the Sun Moon and Star I seen
 the 3 of them a little before Sunset
 water raising close to shore a frosty
 night 4th Ice made a couple sheets went
 to Head of the Island caught a live Duck
 Better cold Anchor ice going down Drew
 some Drags air holes before the door But
 small Foxes crossed last night from Christies
 went in the evening to the Little Island put out
 3 or 4 Bushes I think the channel will Jam
 to night open on both sides of the Hog Island
 the wind high and cold Mending sore
 5th The Ice took last night crossed to
 Henrys took supper there Saluted
 about being married some air holes
 found a Black Duck on the ice trail
 at the head of the Island Drawing my
 canoe water raising very high