

December

WEDNESDAY 9

1874

Work in the bush continued cutting mostly dry hemlocks which are always sound if but recently dead. This afternoon Vinny, Emma & I drove up to Willow Lodge and thence to the residence of Mrs John Snell where we spent a couple of hours. Then over to Ebenezer to the S. S. Practice for Anniversary.

THURSDAY 10

Completed the sawing of the hemlock logs and started on the basswood, beech and elm for beams and sleepers, also cutting considerable firewood out of the tops and small ends of the logs.

Weather is moderate. The Christmas fat-cattle show at Esulph today.

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FRIDAY 11

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Finished for the present the work at the timber having now sufficient cut and ready for hauling home with the first sleighing. Paid J. W. Jewell for 3½ days work \$1.75. At Brampton tonight and went to Choir Practice. Mailed to J. J. Bunting two copies of the "Conserver". Received a letter from J. J. B. and one from Uncle Adam.

SATURDAY 12

With the help of Jno Learment we killed and dressed for pork the 2nd old Berkshire sow, weight 324 lbs and a five months pig weight 142 lbs. Sold to H. C. & Co. the old sow @ \$8.00 per cut and bought ~~two~~ porkers weighing 150 lbs each total pork kept for the year's consumption 750 lbs.