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Jan. Monday, 1. 1883.

" New Years". A moderate winter's day, good sleighing. Municipal elections very exciting in town and country. Polling done today. Father's folks were here a few minutes on way to "Willow Lodge" for dinner. Wife and I were at home all day.

Tuesday, 2.

One of the most important events that can happen in our little family took place today. The first born, a fine strong healthy daughter Everything promises well so far and we are all happy.

Wednesday, 3.

In Brampton Municipal Election the Tory's have carried 4/5th of the seats. In our township Hutton, Reeve, {Faley} Deputy Watson & Groat Councillors. Had two trips to town this week every day.

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Jan. Thursday, 4. 1883.

Weather has turned very frosty once more. Was cutting and splitting firewood, also drew a load of wood to father's in town. Had a call from Grandpa Boyle today. Also received from Glasgow, Scotland, Xmas cards from Mrs Andrew Morton.

Friday, 5.

Wife and I received a letter of congratulations from one of the new made uncles W. C. Boyle of Toronto. I was initiated into Order of Royal Templars, took a pledge of abstinence and insured my life for \$2000.00

Saturday, 6.

{No Entry}

Jan. Sunday, 7. 1883.

Missionary Anniversary Service Rev John S Clarke of Lindsay preached in morning at C M Church text, Exodus XXXV, 21st verse. Same minister tonight using text, Acts XVII, 22 & 23.

Monday, 8.

This evening attended the Annual Missionary meeting excellent addresses by Rev Dr Sutherland and Rev J. S. Clarke.

Tuesday, 9.

{No Entry}

Jan. Wednesday, 10. 1883

Received from R W Boyle of Toronto a letter of congratulation addressed to wife and I.

Thursday, 11.

Spent afternoon at Mr Burger's Sale of Stock and implements, Lot 18, 1st line East.

Friday, 12.

{No Entry}

Jan. Saturday, 13. 1883.

{No Entry}

Sunday, 14.

At both morning and evening service in C M Church. Rev Mr Willoughby preached from subject "The prodigal son". The sermon was a moving commentary on the parable with many practical and valuable hints.

Monday, 15.

Bought and brought home from Mr McCannel of Caledon 34 cedar posts @ \$3.50.

Jan. Tuesday, 16. 1883.

Spent evening at Missionary meeting at Edmonton in P M Church. Good address Rev J C Antliffe, Toronto.

Wednesday, 17.

Annual Meeting Co. Peel Agricul Society, took place Court House Brampton today Some lively voting took place for Representative to Provincial Board. J. C. Snell was elected for this County.

Thursday, 18.

{No Entry}

Jan. Friday, 19. 1883.

Spent evening at Royal Templars Council. The meetings are held in a fine large hall over Bannister's store.

Saturday, 20.

More than a foot of snow has fallen this week. Today however is mild and raining towards night.

Sunday, 21.

Heard Rev N R Willoughby preach at C M Church this morning from text Acts I chap 11th verse. One of the coldest days of the season, below zero tonight.

Jan. Monday, 22. 1883.

{No Entry}

Tuesday, 23.

Yesterday and today, extremely cold. A strong west wind with the thermometer at 20° below zero, for 48 hours without cessation.

Wednesday, 24.

{No Entry}

Jan. Thursday, 25. 1883.

Weather has moderated somewhat but very cold yet. Clear and North wind today.

Friday, 26.

Registered our daughter's name "Ella Winnifred" in Chinquacousy's records. Tonight at M. E. Church in town heard Bishop Carman lecture on "Methodist Union".

Saturday, 27.

Received from Geo Armstrong for fat cow \$50.00 cash.

Jan. Sunday, 28. 1883.

Rev Mr Howson of "Campbell's Cross" preached two eloquent sermons in C M Church in town today, subjects "Wind bloweth where it listeth" and "Spiritual Husbandry".

Monday, 29.

Sold a Cotswold ram lamb for mutton export to Thos Noble @ \$6.00.

Tuesday, 30.

Have had 3 or 4 days of mild weather but has not thawed a great deal.

Jan. Wednesday, 31. 1883.

Cold frosty weather with a strong west wind. The month ends at about same temperature as it began.

Feb. Thursday, 1.

A strong frosty wind right out the "west" blowing steady all day. Bought 20 cedar posts from Sam Heath @ 15¢ each.

Friday, 2.

St Candlemas a dull cloudy day with some snow falling. Spent evening at meeting of Royal Templars.

Feb. Saturday, 3. 1883.

Snowing and hailing most of the day.

Sunday, 4.

Heard Rev N R Willoughby preach this morning in C M Church, text Titus I 1st & 2nd. Heard Rev Thos Griffith preach in P M Church tonight, Hebrews {VII} 8 th.

Monday, 5.

Spent afternoon at C M Church at meeting of Quarterly Board. The vote on Union Question was carried unanimously.

Feb. Tuesday, 6. 1883.

Co of Peel Reform Convention met at Brampton today and chose K Chisholm as their candidate. Mass meetings afternoon and evening. Mr Fleming M.P. was presented with an \$100 fur coat. In evening Mr Patterson of Brant gave an extra good address.

Wednesday, 7.

3 inches of snow fell last night.

Thursday, 8.

A strong west wind is drifting the light snow into huge drifts on the session lines.

Feb Friday, 9. 1883.

Heard Rev NR Willoug

Saturday 10,

Hired Jos Caruth for 7 mo's @ \$15.00 per month to start 1st April next, to work up to that date @ rate of \$4.00 per month. viz 2 mos = \$8.00 + \$1.05 = \$113.00. Sold him my watch @ \$13.00, leaving a balance due him \$100.00 at end of 9 mo's from 1st Feb.

Sunday, 11.

{No Entry}

Feb Monday, 12. 1883.

{No Entry}

Tuesday, 13.

{No Entry}

Wednesday, 14.

Settled with "Dodd" for sawing 30 cords wood \$12.00 cash and \$3.00 in wood.

Feb. Thursday, 15. 1883

A warm foggy day with some rain.

Friday, 16.

Carole Ferguson 1957 *{different handwriting}*

Saturday, 17.

{No Entry}

Feb. Sunday, 18. 1883.

{No Entry}

Monday, 19.

{No Entry}

Tuesday, 20.

{No Entry}

Feb. Wednesday, 21. 1883.

{No Entry}

Thursday, 22.

Our neighbor Richard Watson held his Auction Sale of Farm stock and Implements a large crowd of people and most of the things brought high figures. Heard Rev Dr Vincent tonight in Presb Church, "That Boy"

Friday, 23.

Our wedding Anniversary. It is difficult to realize that we have been one year married. Rev Robert Boyle christened our little girl "Ella Winifred" Most of members of both families were present for the Evening.

Feb. Saturday, 24. 1883. to and including Monday, 26.

{No Entries}

Feb. Tuesday, 27. 1883.

General Elections for Prov Ontario held today. Chisholm returned for Peel maj about 80 votes.

Wednesday, 28.

A clear bright moderate day cloudy this evening.

March. Thursday, 1.

Weather for this month opens bright and warm, thawing quite fast.

March. Friday, 2. 1883.

Paid two calls from R. T. of T \$240 and received my policy for \$2000.

Saturday, 3.

Had a settlement with J C Snell on back stock acc/, resulted in my favor with \$34.00 cash and 57 bush oats.

Sunday, 4. to and including March. Thursday, 8. 1883.

{No Entries}

Friday, 9.

Had some friends for tea this evening, Mr & Mrs A F Campbell, Mr & Mrs E W Grafton and Aunt Taylor. Bought a cradle for our little girl, \$2.50 from Harvey & Crawford

Saturday, 10.

Little Winifred enjoys the cradle very much, she lay in it most of the day and laughed and crowed.

March. Sunday, 11. 1883.

{No Entry}

Monday, 12.

Death of the first born. Our dear little baby "Ella Winifred " died at 8 o'clock this morning after an illness of two hours. O how unexpected this sad blow, my Jennie wife ~~was~~ is nearly distracted. It is hard to say "the Lord's will be done.

Tuesday, 13.

This afternoon we laid our dear little one away in Brampton Cemetery in sister Ella's grave amid many tears. Rev N R Willoughby{by} conducted a breif service at our home with some friends and neighbors.

March. Wednesday, 14. 1883.

How sad and lonely our home is today. Surely the Lord has dealt hardly with us, our only child but not our will but His be done.

Thursday, 15.

Rev N R Willoughby and wife called and had dinner with us.

Friday, 16.

Clear and frosty weather.

March. Saturday, 17. 1883.

{No Entry}

Sunday, 18.

{No Entry}

Monday, 19.

A bitter cold snow storm out of North and East, falling pretty fast all day about 12 inches of snow fell, dry and light.

March. Tuesday, 20. 1883.

A bright cold day after the storm. Afternoon at T McConnell auction sale of farm stock and implements.

Wednesday, 21.

Chopped at Cheyne's Mill Brampton, oats 14 bush, peas 6 bush, millet seed 16 bush = 36 bush.

Thursday, 22.

{No Entry}

March. Friday 23. 1883.

"Good Friday". Another vigorous snow storm from East, but not very cold fully 12 inches of snow fell today. At service in C M Church this morning sermon by Rev Mr Simpson We took dinner at Rev R. Boyle's.

Saturday, 24.

A bright mild beautiful day but ground is very wintry looking indeed. Sold 2 yr old bull, St Valentine for beef to 'Scott @ \$78.00 and fat ewe @ \$8.00.

Sunday, 25. to Friday, 30

{No Entries}

Saturday, 31.

Month ends fine, bright and warm days, with very hard frosts at night.

April. Sunday, 1. 1883.

Cold, clear and frosty. Not thawing much. Drove to C M Church in cutter in morning and heard Rev N R Willoughby preach. Special services are being conducted through the week.

Monday, 2.

Received per C. V. R from W Rennie Toronto. 2 bush seed barley (Rennie) 13 lbs mangel seed = \$3.00 barley \$2.00, total including 2 bags and freight charge 75¢.

Tuesday, 3.

This afternoon at funeral of Mr Robert Carter who died suddenly on Sunday preaching service conducted by Rev James Pringle in Presbyterian Church.

April. Wednesday, 4. 1883. to Friday, 6.

{No Entries}

April. Saturday, 7. 1883.

Quite a snow fall last night. This morning there is fully a foot of snow on the level (old and new). The work these days is cleaning seed grain and splitting stove wood.

Sunday, 8

Took the wheels for going to Church this morning For 19 Sundays in succession we have had sleighing. Heard Rev N. R. Willoughby preach this morning. Revival services are being held each week evening.

Monday, 9

A bright warm day. Thawing fast, the creek is all over the flats the ice is breaking up.

April. Tuesday, 10. 1883.

Annie Dodds started work today as servant girl, @ \$7.00 per month.

Wednesday, 11. to Thursday, 12.

{No Entries}

April. Friday, 13. 1883.

Sowing clover seed on fall wheat, the crop looks tolerably well.

Saturday, 14. to April. Monday, 16. 1883

{No Entries}

Tuesday, 17.

Mrs Featherstone (Old Aunt Elsie) died today at J. W. Main's Brampton, of paralysis after 24 hours unconsciousness. Aged 77 years.

Wednesday, 18.

Co of Peel Spring Fair held in town today. Spring like weather the grass is starting fresh and green. My 32nd birthday.

April. Thursday, 19. 1883.

Wife and I were at Aunt Elsie's funeral this afternoon. A short service at the house conducted by Rev N. R. Willoughby. Rain last night and today.

Friday, 20. to Monday, 23

{No Entries}

Tuesday, 24.

Snow squalls all day. Bitterly cold last night ice formed 1/2 inch thick, and cold all today. Have done no work on the land yet this spring.

April. Wednesday, 25. 1883.

{No Entry}

Thursday, 26.

Spring seeding. Sowed broadcast with seeder 9½ bush "Wild Goose" on nearly 4 acres beyond the creek. Also sowed nearly all the balance of field with oats. Rainy evening. The ground is in good condition

Friday, 27. to Sunday, 29.

{No Entries}

Monday, 30.

Sowed barley, 7 acres just behind barn, broadcast and seeded with clover and timothy.

May. Tuesday, 1. 1883.

Sowed 8 acres barley on "other place", fall plowed sod (broadcast)

Wednesday, 2.

Sowed 3½ acres barley in old orchard and 2½ acres of oats, total sowed 8 acres oats, 18½ barley 3 acres goose wheat.

Thursday, 3.

{scribbles}

May. Friday. 4. 1883.

Transplanting young trees basswood ash maple from "other place" woods down father's house in Brampton.

Saturday, 5.

Plowing sod for peas

Sunday, 6.

Quarterly meeting services sermons morning and evening by Rev Arthur Browning of Newmarket.

May. Monday, 7. 1883.

This evening at business Quarterly meeting. Instead of deficit there was a small surplus at end of year.

Tuesday, 8. to Wednesday, 9.

{No Entries}

May. Thursday, 10. 1883.

Rain in showers out of the west.

Friday, 11. to May. Sunday, 13, 1883.

{No Entries}

Monday, 14.

Frost almost every night of more or less severity. Bright cool days. Had a call from John Mason of Minnesota, an of friend of 20 yrs ago.

Tuesday, 15.

Had a call from Mr James Mason of Missouri.

May. Wednesday, 16. 1883.

Planting potatoes and corn in garden. Fields are yet too wet after Monday's rain to cultivate.

Thursday, 17.

Sowed peas, 5½ acres putting nearly 15 bush thereon.

Friday, 18.

{No Entry}

May, Saturday, 19. 1883.

Sowed the mangel seed today 8 lbs yellow intermediate and 5 lbs yellow globe, on nearly 3 acres in drills. *{Several scribbles}*

Sunday, 20.

{No Entry}

Monday, 21.

Rain out of the North

May. Tuesday, 22. 1883.

Rain all last night and all of today.

Wednesday, 23.

Sold 23 bush "Fultz" wheat to K. C. & Co @ \$1.00 per bush Sold 2 2 yr old steers to Noble @ \$96.00.

Thursday, 24.

Queen's Birthday. A clear warm, beautiful day. Wife and I took dinner at "Willow Lodge" and spent evening at Concert in Agricl Hall, Brampton, given by Chroal Society of the town and instrumental music by Lander & Torrington & Jacobson.

May. Friday, 25. 1883.

{No Entry}

Saturday, 26.

A very heavy rain today, a great quantity of rain has fallen this week, the ground is just swimming. Early this morning sowed 1/2 acre of millet in young orchard and seeded with timothy.

Sunday, 27.

{No Entry}

May. Monday, 28. 1883.

Thunder showers and hail.

Tuesday, 29.

Have not been able to do any work on the land for nearly 10 days because of wet except one half day. Fine dry weather today.

Wednesday, 30. to June. Sunday, 3. 1883

{No Entries}

Monday, 4.

Planted potatoes 3/4 acre "Early Rose", "Beauty of Hebron". Sowed 3/4 acre on flats with 2 bush black barley, also a little millet and corn.

Tuesday, 5.

Daily showers.

June. Wednesday, 6. 1883.

More rain.

Thursday, 7.

{No Entry}

Friday, 8.

Yesterday and today delivered at Milner's Elevator 110 bush Fultz & 16 bush Goose. @ \$1.00 per bush.

June. Saturday, 9. 1883.

Rain today.

Sunday, 10.

Rain tonight.

Monday, 11.

Statute labor this week.

June. Tuesday, 12. 1883.

Sold wool clip to T. Milner 128 lbs net @ 18¢ per lb. = \$23.04

Wednesday, 13. to Thursday, 14

{No Entries}

{Diary pages jump to October}

Oct. Monday, 1. 1883. to Tuesday, 2.

{No Entries}

Wednesday, 3.

Threshing with "Dennison's" steam "Wide awake", It does excellent work, cleaning the grain ready for market. Threshed about 425 bush barley and 10 bush black barley.

Oct. Thursday, 4. 1883.

Threshed 75 bush goose wheat 375 bush oats, 150 bush fall wheat. We had splendid weather and the whole job went off lively

Friday, 5.

Brampton Fair was a great success today a good show and a large crowd of people.

Sunday, 6. to Sunday, 14

{No Entries Diary Page for 7th to 12th missing}

Monday, 15.

Sold a load of new Fultz 57 bush to Milner @ \$1.05 = \$60.00

Oct. Tuesday, 16. 1883.

The apple crop is a slim one have about 8 barrels of picked fruit and 3 barrels of inferior.

Wednesday, 17.

At root harvest this week. The mangels are a fair crop only. Have in all about 19 loads about 550 bush and 150 bush carrots

Thursday, 18. to Tuesday, 23.

{No Entries}

Wednesday, 24.

Sold pedigred shearling Cotswold ram to Mothersill @ \$16.00 to be delivered Nov 10. next.

Oct. Wednesday, 31. 1883.

{No Entry}

Nov. Thursday, 1.

Snow flurries out of the N.W., the first of the season Sold 8 lambs (ram) to Isaac Modeland @ \$50.00

Friday, 2. to Nov. Saturday, 3. 1883.

{No Entries}

Sunday, 4.

Quarterly Meeting service conducted by Rev J. F. German's father from Brantford. text "All are yours".

Monday, 5. to Wednesday, 7.

{No Entries}

Thursday, 8.

Thanksgiving Day. A fine warm day. Spent evening at P. M. S. School Anniversary

Nov. Friday, 9. 1883.

Chinguacousy Plowing Match held today near Edmonton Public School Teacher's Convention in Brampton today. Heard a good address from Dr McClellan on "Coming Schoolmaster"

Saturday 10. to Sunday, 11.

{No Entries}

Nov. Monday, 12. 1883.

Winter. Snow flurries and freezing keenly all day.

Tuesday, 13. to Nov. Thursday, 15. 1883

{No Entries}

Friday, 16.

Stormy cold and wintry all this week

Saturday, 17.

Delivered at Milner's elevator 72 bush barley @ 67¢

Nov. Sunday, 18. 1883.

{No Entry}

Monday, 19.

Delivered 84 bush barley to Milner @ 67¢ 156 bush @ 67 = \$103.00

Tuesday, 20. to Nov. Friday, 30. 1883.

{No Entries}

Dec. Saturday, 1.

Sold balance of barley crop to Milner 230 bush @ 68¢ = \$156.40 2 386 bush barley = \$260 Have about 50 bush yet on hand

Sunday, 2. to Dec. Sunday, 30. 1883.

{No Entries}

Monday, 31.

Have had enough snow for 2 weeks past to make second rate sleighing, but yesterday it snowed some and today there is very good sleighing.

Memoranda.

Annie Dodd started work Dec 20th and was {here} for 3 days Dec 17th

Memoranda.

George Blain	5
Harry Dale 8	4
Jabez Heath	7
Robt Lowes —————	2
W Mahaffy	1
John Learment	5
Robt Smith	3
Mrs Woodhall —————	1
Mrs Simpson	1
W James	2
Mrs Patterson —————	1

Memoranda

Annie Dodd	
May	\$7.00
July	5.00

J Caruth	4.00
May June 1	\$2.00
May 24	5.50
March	10.00
	13.00
	5.50
	3.00
	.50
Aug 1	
Sept 15	2.00
1 day lost	

Memoranda.

Jan 3rd	Oats chopped	bush	15
" 23rd	" "	"	15
" "	Millet seed	"	7
Feb 12nd	" "	"	9
" "	Oats	"	11
Mar 21st	"	"	14
" "	Millet	"	16
" "	Peas	"	6
May 28	Oats	"	15
Aug	"	"	15

April 21st Gristed 10 bush Fultz

Memoranda.

JC Snell acc/

Berkshire sow	\$18.00
" "	6.00
Oats 3320 lbs "Contra"	
Two tickets Agricl	<u>2.00</u>
	\$22.00
Berkshire boar	<u>7.00</u>
	29.00
Ticket	1.00
3320 lbs oats	\$28.00

\$18.00 - 16.00

{illegible}

Paid Jos Caruth \$2.00
 in January wages
 " " " 2.00
 2 1/2 day lost time up to 15th Feb.
 5 days lost March 5 to 9
 7½ days lost

Hay sold

lbs 1740 lbs 6560 = 3¼ tons

1730 \$12.00 10.75

1800 & 7.75 \$40.25

1290 \$13.00 21.75
 per ton

January - Cash Received

		\$	¢
2nd	From A Scott for 8 young Berkshires	32	00
11th	" J G Snell for 7 mo's old Berkshire sow	6	00
27th	" Armstrong for fat cow	50	00
29	" for fat lamb to Noble	<u>6</u>	<u>00</u>
		94	00

January- Cash Paid

		\$	¢
3rd	To Milner for 220 lbs of pork @ 8¼	18	15

5th	" Treas of Royal Templars	4	50
15	" Fletcher for hind qur beef @ \$7.00	8	25

February - Cash Received

		\$	¢
13	From J Campbell on cows acc/	2	00

February - Cash Paid

	{No Entry}	\$	¢

March - Cash Received

		\$	¢
3rd	From J C Snell on acc/	34	00
30th	" A Scott for 2 yr old bull St Valentine	80	00
	also a dry ewe	<u>6</u>	<u>00</u>
		<u>120</u>	<u>00</u>

March - Cash Paid

		\$	¢
2	R. T. of T.	2	40
9	To Harvey & Crawford for a cradle	2	50
15	" Harvey & Crawford for a coffin and grave	21	25
"	" pew rent in C M Church	4	00

April - Cash Received

		\$	¢
13	From McKenna for veal calf	4	50
21	" Tomalin sheepskin & butter, eggs	2	50
"	" Noble 1800 lbs hay @ 12.00	<u>10</u>	<u>75</u>
		17	75
"	" Austin for hay	7	25

April - Cash Paid

	{No Entry}	\$	¢

May - Cash Received

		\$	¢
23	From K. C. & Co 23 bush of Fultz	23	33
"	" Noble 2 2 yr old steers	<u>96</u>	<u>00</u>
		119	33

May - Cash Paid

		\$	¢
15	Life Insurance	1	70

June - Cash Received

		\$	¢
8	From T Milner 126 5/6 bush Fultz & Goose @ \$1.00	126	83
12	" Milner 128 lbs wool @ 18¢	23	04

June - Cash Paid

		\$	¢
8	Life Insurance	1	20

August - Cash Received

		\$	¢
18	From R Snell for 3 ram lambs	28	
25	From Dawson for pears & apples	9	00
31	" Cooney for 2 ewe lambs & 1 ram	28	00

August - Cash Paid

		\$	¢
31	To A White for 2 months harvest wages	55	00

September - Cash Received

		\$	¢
28	From Marshall for bull calf 5 crosses	25	00

September - Cash Paid

		\$	¢
	{No Entry}		

October - Cash Received

		\$	¢
2	From J C Snell Berkshires sold last spring	35	00
15	" Milner 57 bush Fultz wheat @ \$1.05	60	00
22	" Jno Clark for ram lamb	8	00
23	" W Heron ram lamb	10	00
24	" W. & N. Carter ram lamb	8	00
26	" McKenna 2 mutton ewes	<u>8</u>	<u>50</u>
		\$129	50
	Sheepskins	<u>3</u>	<u>00</u>
		\$132	50

October - Cash Paid

		\$	¢
20	To Haggert's for sulky rake	20	00
27	" Campbell blacksmith acc/	13	00

November - Cash Received

		\$	¢
1st	From Kidd for ram lamb	9	00
2	" J. Modeland for 8 ram lambs	50	00
6	" B Watson cows acc/	4	00
10	" Mothersill for sheer ram	16	00
"	" cow acc/ R Carter	1	00
17	" Milner 42 bush barley @ 67	48	00
19	" Milner 84 bush barley @ 67	<u>55</u>	<u>50</u>
		183	50

November - Cash Paid

		\$	¢
10	To J Caruth for 7 months wages	105	00
17	Taxes	31	18
30	Pork 388 lbs @ 6 ¢	23	28

December - Cash Received

		\$	¢
1st	From Milner 230 bush barley @ 68¢	156	40
12	" cows acc/	5	00
26	" Hunter for bull calf	<u>40</u>	<u>00</u>
		\$201	40

December - Cash Paid

		\$	¢
	for pork	30	00
15	To K. C. & Co for overcoat	14	00

Summary of Cash Received.

		\$	¢
Jan 31st	Cash	94	00
Feb 28	"	2	00
Mar 31st	"	120	00
April 30	"	25 47	00 75
May 31	"	119	33
June 30	"	149	87
July 31	"	--	--
Aug 31	"	6 65	00
Sept 30	"	25	00
Oct 31	"	132	50
Nov 30	"	183	50
Dec 31st	"	<u>201</u>	<u>40</u>
		\$1117	60

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