

1882

Jan 2nd this is a fine day but frosty we had the Election for
Dep Reeve I was Elected I got 190 votes He 128
Majority 62 in my favour the back roads is
very rough

3 this day is cold and windy with a little snow Tom
is bad with a sore throat John went to Guelph
with a load of tamarick for pump stuff it is all
in now John Little was here today

4 this day is clear and frosty very cold

.. 11 this is a fine day I went to Guelph to a Meeting of the
Reformers of South Wellington and to hear Mr
Paternoster of South Brant I was appointed Conven
er for Puslinch

.. 12 I went to Abergavyle to a meeting the Agriculture
Society

.. 14 this is a very fine day We went to Guelph with Mrs
Cassons funeral I was the annual Meeting
Meeting of the Puslinch Mutual fire insur
ance Company I was Elected President for
this year

.. 16 this was the first Meeting of the Council
W Nicoll Reeve D Macpherson Dep Reeve
Little Glennie and Rev Councillors

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January 17 this day is fine but frosty we went to D Campbell
and D Watts to visit

.. 20 this is a buckfull fine day I went to Aberfoyle
in the evening to an Oyster Supper at the Town
Hall given to Mr Lesslie Reeve and to present
him with a Gold watch and chain it cost
\$180 for his long service in the
Council

.. 21 this day is dull and soft a little snow I went
to Aberfoyle to get the Horses shod at D
Mc Gibbons shop got 3 new shoes & sett
paid \$1. 45

.. 23 yesterday was a very cold stormy day with very
high wind this day is excessive cold keen frost
we killed a Steer today

.. 24 this is a very cold frosty day last night was the
coldest keenest frost for 25 years in this part of
Ontario I went to Guelph I sold the Steers hide
for \$17 per 100 its weight was 55 lb
I went to the County Council at 2 o'clock P.M.

25 this day is not so cold

26 this day is very dark and foggy it rained all
afternoon the snow is nearly all gone

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January 27 a fine day very wingy last night the County Council was invited down to inspect Sleemans Brewery the most of us went down it is a great establishment we were shown through it all and then treated kindly both to eat and drink then went back to work at 3 o'clock

" 28 this is a very fine day we got through with the County Council for this Session I received \$10 ⁹⁰ for pay

" 31 a beautifull day we were cutting Peas with the cutting box and Florse power Cullin Watt was here on a visit he has been away in the Rocky mountains for 16 years

Feb 1 a fine day but dull in the afternoon we were cleaning up the Peas that we cut yesterday

" 2 a fine day we went to Moriston bought things for Duncan Shirts \$1.10

" 3 a very fine day I went out to Aberloyd to a Reform Meeting ^{I was} appointed President of the Reform Association of Buslinch and William Ross Secretary

" 6 a fine day I was at the Meeting of the Council we appointed Township Officers

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- Feb 4 a very fine day & white frost in the morning
then got very warm rained a little in the
afternoon John went up to Laines Mill
with 12 bags of Peas & oats to chop paid 96cts
- " 8 this is a very warm day the roads are muddy
John & George is chopping wood for fire
- " 7 I paid \$6 to Mr Swackhamer for the Horse
service Dusty Miller
- " 9 this is a fine day the Mrs and Me went up to
Robert Russ the roads are soft
- " 10 this day is cold and windy
- " 11 this is a fine day we went to Guelph with 12 bags
of Potatoes sold 1 bag for \$1.15 the others for
~~\$1.50~~ \$13.15 and butter 23 cents per lb
I bought a plate for the cutting box at Toltom
paid 50 cents
- " 13 this day is very soft it rained last night it is
very warm the roads are very soft almost
impassable James Watt was here
- " 14 the roads are very bad we were at Mrs Duncan
Campbells funeral I went over to Otonabee
I was one of the Pallbearers
- " 15 very warm we put tick destroyer on the sheep

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- Feb 16 this day is very warm and soft it rained a little all the afternoon we cleaned up some peas in the afternoon
- " 17 a fine day I went down to Morriston in the afternoon and I fixed the doors of the horse shades at the Church I paid Scott 90 cents for fixing some harness
- " 18 this is a very cold stormy day high wind but not much snow I was in the house all day I have a bad dose of the cold the rest of the family is bad
- " 20 this is a fine day John is hauling home fire wood
- " 21 this was a very stormy forenoon it sort of snowed or rained on both all night and this forenoon it broke out clear afternoon I was mending shoes
- " 23 this is a fine day we went to Morriston in the afternoon with some Butter and egg got some tin pails bottom ed paid 50 cents bought 4 Gallons 1 quart 1 pint of Coal oil paid 25 cents per gallon \$1.00 from the tin with Johnston.
- " 25 this is very fine day frosty in the Morning I went to Guelph with 12 bags of potatoes sold them for \$1.00 per bag 12 lb Butter at 21 cents
- " 27 a fine warm day cleaning wheat
- 28 John went to the Arkel Mill with 6 bags 13 B 35 lb of Wheat fall and Spring

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Feb 28 this day is very warm and soft it rained a little
in the evening John got home with the Grist
540 lb flour 40 lb to the Bushel

March 1 the Month of March sett in very warm this
day is very soft and warm it rained nearly
all forenoon so that we could not get to the
Guelph fair the roads are very bad

" 2 this day is very warm the road are very bad we
went over to Alexander McCaig's Sale on the 3rd con

" 3 this day is very cold

" 4 this day is cold in the morning we went to Guelph
with some Butter got \$3.82 1/4 cent per lb and a
Calf Skin weight about 10 cents per lb 80cts

" 8 this day is very cold in the Morning a fine clear
day I bargained with Dan Kennedy's son for to
hire for seven ~~months~~ Months at \$100

I went over to Andrew McRobbie's for John
McLean from Manitoba he is at our house

" 9 this day is foggy and soft it rained some I
went down to Donald McPhersons with John
McLean we staved all night

" 10 this is a fine day it snowed and freezed some
last night I came home from Morriston

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March 11 this is a fine day we went to Guelph with some butter
got 24 cents per lb and 5 bags of potatoes got \$1.10 per
bag I got \$600 from John Smith for to give
George and Duncan before they go to Manitoba

" 14 there is a little snow on the ground but the brick road
is very bad we went down to Morriston with Butter
and eggs

" 15 the weather is cold and raw the sow piges last
night she had 8 and they are all dead John went to
Mutteries Mill with 6 bags of oats & Peas to chopp
I was T. Killoughrys Sale I bought an old
Waggons for \$10

" 16 this is a fine clear sunny day the sun was very
warm we cleaned some peas and cut some straw

" 18 this day is very soft it rained considerable in the afternoon
and at night I went down to Oberfoyle I wrote a letter
to John Little and one to Annie the roads are bad

" 21 this is a very stormy day snowed a little and there was
a very high wind it did not prege very much there
was a large partie here tonight

" 22 this day is pretty cold we went over to J H Glennie
Sale Duncan Bought a Yak of Oxen for George
paid \$140 cash for them to take to Manitoba

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- March 23 this is a fine day the roads were good in the morning but got soft in the afternoon we went to Guelph with a load of wheat 34 Bushels 25 lb at Guelph 34 B 30 at home got \$1 24cts per B bought some bran paid at the rate of \$15 per ton
- " 24 this is a very cold windy day we cut some straw and sawed some firewood Duncan and Mother went down to Morriston
- " 25 this is a fine day cold air we went to Mrs Stewarts
- " 27 this day is soft it rained all night and all forenoon it snowed yesterday morning the roads are very bad I was at the Council Meeting
- " 28 this is a fine clear day frost last night John went into Guelph with a load for George he is going to Manitoba
- " 29 this is a fine day I went to Guelph with a load of trunks and boxes for George and Duncan to put on the Cars we started to load the Cars
- " 30 this is a fine day we went to Guelph nearly all in the Flouse we took up the Cattle a Yoke of Oxen and 2 cows for Manitoba and Duncans Flouse Christ Little had 3 Horses & Cows

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March 30 this is the Easter fat cattle fair we took in two steers
to sell John sold them on the road for \$105.

George and Christ Little started about 6 o'clock
in the evening with a car load of horses cattle
and implements for Brandon Manitoba

" 31 this morning is cold but clear I was down to Aberfoyle
to the seed fair

April 1 this is a fine day we went to Guelph with Butter
and eggs got 25cts per lb & 15cts per Doz. I went to the
station for some chairs and table of Georges he
could not get them on the cars I broke the tongue
of Duncans rig and had to get a new one paid \$1.50

" 3 a fine day we were sawing fire wood with the circular
saw Hugh Kennedy commenced to work he is hired
for Seven Months for \$100 we bought 5 bags
of Early Rose Potatoes from John Flardy paid \$1.¹⁰
per bag

" 4 this day is soft it rained in the afternoon I went up to
Matrie's Mill with 8 bags of chopp

" 5 this morning is windy and cold we went to Guelph
with Duncan and Mary and her children that is
Georges Mary they went off on the cars at half past
two o'clock for Brandon Manitoba

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- April 5 Bought 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Bushels clover seed at Mr. Ellary's farm
\$5.25 per B 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Bushels Timothy paid \$3.75 per B
- " 7 commenced to Plough the sod field at the old roathouse
- " 8 this is a fine day we went to Guelph with Butter
and eggs got 23cts and 14cts
- " 6 this day is soft it rained some I went to John
Thompson's sale I bought a Pleasure Sleigh
have to Pay \$9.25 Stair carpet \$1.50 gave
a note for \$10.75 one year after date
- " 10 this is a very cold frosty day a great change
since last week we sowed clover back in the
flats the field behind the bush
- " 11 very cold we were at the Aberfoyle horse and
Bull Show Robert got the second prize for
the Bull Reno \$2 I went to Moriston and
Paid J T Scott \$4.50 for Duncans harness
thero \$5 to pay yet
- " 13 was out Mrs. Stewart's about the pump with Hardy
- " 15 this is a fine day but cold air been cold and frosty
all week we went to Guelph with Butter eggs
and one bag of Potatoes got \$1.15 per B
- " 17 a fine clear day the men are Ploughing we went
up to Margret's with Jane and the children

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April 18 this is a fine day I was at Mrs Stewart to help to put in a pump in the well it cost \$13.50 then I went down to Oberpayle

- " 19 this day is soft it rained in the forenoon and at night it was fine and warm James Laidlaw and the Mrs was here on a visit
- " 20 John went to Guelph for a load of salt 2000 lb paid \$5.25 per ton
- " 13 John went to Guelph for 1000 lb of bran paid \$15 per ton
- " 21 very windy and cold Sowed some Spring wheat
- 22 a fine day cold in the morning we went to Guelph with some butter and eggs I got 1/4 apple trees at Sunleys paid 10 cents each John finished sowing the field at the end of the barn 6 bushels of wheat & bushel of barley
- " 24 a fine day a little cold a good day for work
- " 25 this is a fine day John sowed Barley in the big flat field 3 acres 6 Bushels
- " 26 Sowed the the field back next orchard all Fenzie at the back corner in barley and oats 4 1/2 Bushels Barley 10 Bushels Oats
Sowed the onions 8 feet and some carrots in the garden

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- April 27 commenced to gang plough the field at the creek
" 28 a fine day but cold and frosty at night I planted
15 Apple trees I bought from Sunley at Guelph
" 29 we went to Guelph with Butter and Eggs
Christ Little came home from Manitoba
- May 1 this is a fine morning but it was showery in the
afternoon I planted 8 Maple trees in the orchard
and the lane
- " 2 this is a very cold day it was very hard frost
this morning it's cold wind all day we planted
15 Maple trees in the back field Hugh is ploughing
Sod John is rolling the Wheat fall
Robert went out with Christ's cow in the evening
- " 3 this Morning is cold a fine Dry day we went to
Guelph fair we took in the ram and one wether
sold the ram for 5 cents per lb his weight was
249 lb at home the weathers weight was 154 at
6 cents per lb we bought 5 hundred lb of Salt at
 $5\frac{1}{2}$ \$ per ton 13.00 lb of plaster at \$5 per ton
- " 4 this is a beautiful day warm and growing
John finished sowing the oats he sowed
49 $\frac{1}{2}$ Bushels.
- " 5 this day is cold again and dry

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May 6 this day is cold and dry we went to Guelph with some Butter & eggs and 3 bags of potatoes got \$1.30 per bag and one Bushel of Apples got 18 cents for the Butter 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ for the eggs

" 8 a fine day but dry and cold John Sowed 5 acres of Peas we had to kill one of the yearling hoppers she got her leg brock very bad back in the swamp

" 9 this is a very fine warm day the warmest we have had this spring we have had it very cold and dry all this last Month there is very little growth yet I was over to the Bridge at Buchannans to get a job we lett the job of Building a new Bridge to Donald Campbell of Crief for \$255

" 10 this Morning is cold with a cold east wind in the forenoon but the Afternoon was very wet cold east rain I went to Guelph with the Buggy to get it fixed I bought a Bushel of Corn paid 90 cents

" 11 this is a very stormy day it commenced to rain yesterday about noon it rained all afternoon and all night this this forenoon it beawed with light rain but this afternoon is terrible stormy and wet the wind from the east all the time and very cold the Mare Doll foaled this Morning and the foal Died today

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May 12 it is 40 years today since we got Married
this is a terrible stormy wet day very windy from the east it has rained steady since it commenced and very cold

- " 13 this day cold we have had 3 days of steady wet and cold east wind we went to Guelph with Butter and eggs and 3 bags of Potatoes got \$1 30 per bag
- " 15 a fine day but cold we were at John Winyards funeral
- " 16 a fine day I went down to McIntosh the Tailor to get measured for a coat then we went up to Robert Adams in the evening
- " 17 a fine day Mother and Me went up to John Little's to Bells Corners in Luther
- " 18 a fine day I went with John Little to Mount Forrest to see the place I have not been there for 18 or 20 years
- " 19 a fine day we came home from Luther
- " 20 a fine day cold air we have frost every morning there is very little growth in the ground we went to Guelph with butter and eggs
- " 22 this is a fine growing day it rained nearly all afternoon I was at Guelph at a Meeting of reformers
- " 23 this day is dry but very cold I went to the Aberfoyle Mill with a grist of 13 B 43 lb got 521 flour 45 short 172 Br

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- May 20 John finished sowing the Peas he sowed 2 acres he sowed the rest
on the 8th and 9th 11 acres he sowed 1 Bushel of corn
- " 23 commenced to plant the Potatoes
- " 24 Hugh was off work John ploughing the turnip land
- " 25 we finished planting the Potatoes fine weather but cold
- " 26 finished ploughing down the Dung on the turnip land
- " 27 a fine day warmer we went to Guelph with Butter and
eggs I bought 30 lb rape seed paid 9 cents per lb
- " 29 this is a fine day the weather keeps cold I was at the
Council Meeting and a Meeting of reformers to appoi
nt Delegates to go to Guelph
- " 30 I went to Guelph to the Convention to nominate
a Candidate to the House of Commons James Tunis
was chosen John washed the Sheep
- " 31 a fine growing day it is showy all day it rained
June 1 a fine Morning but a cold wind this is our first day
- " 2 we had a shower I was over the roads with
James Glennie to examin them where peti
oned for Money
- " 1 I went down to McIntosh the Tailor for
a new Coat I got made paid \$4 per coat
and Vest for making

1882

- June 5 we had a heavy rain yesterday we clipped
the sheep 26 Sept 3 to clip they are sick
- .. 6 I went up to Palmerston to the Meeting of
the County Council went up from Guelph
on the cars it is 53 miles from here
- .. 7 the County Council was invited to H. L.
Clarkes Brewery to dinner
- .. 9 I got home from Palmerston we were at a
Meeting of T A McDonalds in Guelph
in the evening
- .. 10 we went to Guelph I bought 13 lbs of
turnip seed paid \$2 for it
- .. 11 fine warm weather John and I went
into Guelph in the evening to a ~~police~~
Meeting of Johnstone and Guthrie Pock
- .. 13 I was in Guelph at the Nomination
Tunis and Goldie was Nominated
- .. 14 a fine growing day a good deal of rain but
very warm I was away with Glennie
lettting jobs on the roads
- .. 15 a fine growing day warm and showers
- .. 16 a fine day we went to Guelph took 3 bags of oats to
Muriel's Mill to shop sold one bag of Potatoes \$1.50

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June 17 John Sowed 4 acres of turnips

" 19 the men finished sowing the turnips sowed
13 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs paid \$2 $\frac{12}{12}$ for the seed

" 20 a very fine day the crops is growing very fast
this was Election day for the House of Commons
James Dunn was Elected by a Majority of 116 over
James Gaddie the Conservative

" 21 we went down to Morriston with the Boys
Robert James and Edward to get new clothe for them
Bought cloth for two suits got them cutt Jane
is going to make them

24 a fine day very warm very hot we went to Guelph
with a load of Wheat Spring there was 24. Bushels
37 lbs at Guelph 27 B 51 at home we got \$1.29 per B
~~\$35.62~~ 96 lbs Wool at 21 cents \$ 20.16
I bought 100 lbs of oatmeal paid \$3 for it

28 fine growing weather the men started to plough the
field near the creek it is very thistlely.

" 29 I went down to Morriston paid Ross for the Boys
clothe \$7.60 paid Scott the Balance of Duncans
harness \$5 paid James McLean \$7.

30 we went to Guelph it came on very wet before noon
I went to the Agricultural College to the closing
exercise

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July 1 a fine day but cold John and the Boys and
Mary went to Guelph to the Calidoreans games
I went to Aberfoyle to a Meeting of the Directors
of the Russelich Insurance Company and examined
Hugh Read's job on the road

- .. 3 I was at the Council Meeting in the afternoon
- .. 5 we went to Guelph Fair I bought 2 hoes paid
95 cent for the two 3 rakes for 25 cents
- .. 6 this is fine weather I was cutting thistles
the men is hoeing the carrots
- .. 7 this is the Examination and picnic at the
School they are all at but myself I sent a
letter away to Duncan
- .. 10 this is a fine day we had a shower after dinner
hoeing the potatoes
- .. 18 a fine day but windy I went to Guelph for 2
gards for the mower I bought a keg of white lead
paid \$2.25 $\frac{1}{2}$ gallons linced oil paid 95 cent per
gallon $\frac{1}{2}$ gallon turpentine paid \$1 per gallon a
Steel barley fork paid \$1.15 285 lbs salt \$3.
some paint 40 cents per lb a butcher wife 30cts
John commenced to cut the hay in the orchard
I paid Green \$4 for grafting 86 grafts

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- July 1 John is setting up the potatoes in the afternoon
he finished them he cut some hay we had some
rain in the evening Flight ~~and~~ finished
scrapping the turnips the boys commenced to thin
.. 13 this is a fine day John finished cutting the field
behind the stable we hauled in 2 loads of Hay
.. 15 this is a fine heavy day we finished hauling the field
behind the stable 10 loads of hay $2\frac{1}{2}$ in the paddock
John commenced to the heavy back in the flats
Susan and the children came down from Bells corner
.. 18 John finished cutting the hay in the Morning
hauled in two loads then we had some thunder storms
in the afternoon it was very warm in the forenoon
.. 21 fine heavy weather finished hauling in the hay 24
loads of very good hay in good condition
.. 22 a fine day we went to Guelph
.. 24 very dry warm weather I went to Guelph with
Christ Little and Jane they went on the cars
to go to Chicago on a visit
.. 26 a fine day commenced to cut a swath round the
Barley and some of the Wheat
27 John cut the Barley near the Barn it rained
in the evening I am busy at the Potato Bugs

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July 28 a fine day cutt 5 acres of wheat

" 29 cutt some wheat and hauled in 3 loads of Barley

30 a fine day warm and dry hauled in 5 loads of Barley
and cutt some wheat

Aug 1 hauled in one load of Barley all that is cutt grain,
cutt some wheat it commenced to rain about 10 o'clock
it sort of rained nearly all the rest of the day

" 2 this is a fine day I went to Guelph Fair got a front leg
for the Scupperer paid 90st got a steel collar cap paid 50st

" 3 this is a fine day but dull and warm finished cutting
the fall Wheat 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres

" 4 a fine day in the forenoon but got dull with a little
rain cutt the Barley back in the big field finished

" 5 this is the best harvest day since Monday at the turnips
in the forenoon hauled in 4 loads of fall Wheat and 2
loads of Barley

" 6 this day is very warm we had a thunder shower in
the evening it rained very heavy

" 7 this day is dull and warm in the forenoon but got
up a good drought in the afternoon we got in one load Barley

" 8 we had a very heavy rain with thunder and lightning
it rained for a long while

" 9 we got in 6 loads of wheat in the afternoon it rained in the evening

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- August 10. this day is dull and some showers we are at the turnips
- " 11 this is a fine day the best harvest day we have had for two weeks it has been showery and dull we were hauling in Wheat 9 loads and 4 of Barley
- " 12 this is a fine day here there is some showers going round we got in all the fall wheat 30 loads and all the Barley 18 loads some of the Barley is badly scalded ^{wheat} this is a fine crop I went over to the Bridge at Buchanans to ~~meet~~ the Contractor.
- " 15 we have fine harvest weather the men is at the turnips
- " 16 we commenced to cut the Spring wheat in the afternoon
- " 17 finished cutting the spring wheat it is a good crop 3 acres the men commenced to pull the spears we went down to Abergayl in the evening
- " 18 a fine day we went in to Guelph in the evening I went up to Muriel's Mill in the morning about the Vaters list
- " 19 this is a fine day warm we were thrashing till half past four we thrashed 170 Bushels of Wheat and 41 Barley John's wife had a son
- " 21 this forenoon is very warm and sultry we hauled in one load of Spring wheat after dinner then it commenced to rain it was showery all afternoon

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August 22 this day is very dull and soft it rained
a good deal all night today close and warm
neither wind or draught I was at Beatties
threshing the men is at the turnips in the fore
noon and pulling peas in the afternoon

" 23 this day is very dull and warm there was more rain last
night it is bad harvest weather I was cleaning some
wheat the men was pulling peas in the afternoon

" 24 this is a fine harvest day the men were pulling peas
we hauled in 3 loads of Spring wheat we had 4 big loads
and 1 load of peas we put the lambs from the ewes on
Monday the 22nd

" 25 this is a fine day very warm the men is hauling in
peas I was at other people Seed Wheat Show I got
the second prize for 10 Bushels of Falty wheat
\$3 and 3rd prize for 10 B of Clawson wheat
\$2 I sold the Clawson wheat for \$1.25 per
b

" 26 a fine day hauling in peas

" 28 a fine day finished hauling in the peas 18 loads
they were a fine crop I was at a Meeting
of the Council in the afternoon Taken come
ned to suit the oats after noon

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Aug 29 this is a fine day the folks are at the oats
I was cleaning wheat

" 30 a very warm day I went to Guelph seed fair
I had 20 Bushels of Calawson Wheat I got the
3rd prize \$2 Sold it for \$1 25 per B I had 20
Bushels of Fultze wheat sold 6 B at \$1 20 per B

" 31 we had a heavy shower last night we were cutting
and binding oats in the afternoon the men were
Ploughing in the forenoon

Sept 1 finished cutting the oats I have not been very
well today I was not able to work

" 2 this is a fine day I went to Guelph with some
Butter and 8 Bushels of Seed wheat for P Gow
got \$1 25 per B & 10 the folks finished Binding
the oats got in 3 loads we had a heavy thunder
shower in the evening

" 4 a fine day the men is plowing in the forenoon we
hauled in 5 loads of oats to the Brack Barn

5 hauled 5 loads of Oats in the afternoon
John was at Grants thrashing in the forenoon
and Gilchrist's in the afternoon with the horses
" 7 very warm we finished hauling in the oats 24
loads they were a good crop

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Sept 6 I went to the Aberfoyle Mill with 3 bags of wheat

" 9 we went to Guelph with batter and egg I got 6 bushels of White Mountain Wheat from John Mc Rorkeindale paid \$1.20 per Bushel and 2 bushels of Democrate Wheat from James Glenie paid \$1.50 per Bushel

" 12 fine weather I went to Guelph for a casting for the seed drill then went over to the Bridge at Buchanans to inspect it it is finished

" 13 Johns Baby Died this Morning it was 3 weeks and 4 days old I went to Guelph for a coffin paid \$4.75 for it I was at the Annual sale of the Model farm we had a thunder, ~~lower~~

" 14 Johns Baby was Burried we had very high wind all day John D Mc Williams got 16 Bus of Lawson Wheat he is to pay \$1.20 per Bushel

" 15 warm weather John commenced to sow the Wheat sowed 11 acres I had to go to Guelph Mrs Robert Cook Died and was brought from Grand rapids to be buried in Buslinch I had to go to Guelph for to get her brought to her Mothers I had to go down to order the grave to be dug

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- Sept 16 John finished sowing the 1/4 acre field in the morning
then we went to Terrie Cook's Funeral at 10 o'clock
- " 18 this day is very warm the men is busy ploughing
for wheat I went down to Oberpoyle with the Buggy
to get the tires set at Beckleys
- " 19 this day is very close and warm we had a thunder
shower at noon very warm all day we sowed
10 Bushels of Lawson Wheat in the field at the
old roothouse Margaret was down
- " 20 a fine day the men is ploughing I went to
Oberpoyle in the evening for the buggy
- " 21 we went to Guelph with Mr Stewart
and Bob Cook we finished sowing the
fall Wheat 25 acres 42 bushels
- 22 this Morning is wet it rained nearly all night
- 23 This is a very fine day John and the two Girls and
the two boys went to the Lake there was a Sunday School
Picnic to the Lake
- 24 we have fine weather but cool at night Robert
Amos was down we went to Sandy Flummings
Sale he has sold the farm he lives on to Christ Little
- 25 I was at Orchiell Glenys thrashing in the fore
noon the men were hauling out during

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Sept 28 this is a fine day but dry John was down to help to move Christ Little he moved back to Sandy Flinnings farm I was putting up a new fence back the lane near the back barn

" 30 this is a very fine day we went to Guelph I went with John Mary and the Buggy with Butter and a Bushel of Pears sold them for \$1.40 per B John took in a load of Barley 43 B 13 lb at 72 cents per \$31.14

Oct. 2 the weather is very warm we commenced to Dig up the Potatoes

" 3 I went to Guelph with 2 bags of fall wheat and 2 lots of potatoes to the Show

" 4 Mother and I went to Guelph to the Show I got the 3rd prize for the Clarendon Wheat and 2nd prize for the early rose potatoes I sold the potatoes for 50 cents per Bushel sold 20 Pears

" 5 I got a letter from Annie she has been very sick in California

" 6 a fine day we were all at the Cuslinch show except Mother

" 7 went to Guelph with Butter I got a Box for Mrs Stewart from Bob Cook Grand Rapids

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Oct 9 Sandy McLoag and Aunt Jane come down from
Freppell on Saturday they went down to Beaverly
today we finished Diging the Potatoes they are
a very fine crop about 8 loads they were in
the orchard I was pulling Apples

- .. 10 this day is dull threatening rain we thrashed 75 bushels
of Spring wheat in the evening it is a good crop
- .. 11 we were thrashing we had Bob Blacks Mashine
he thrashed today 306 Bushels of fall wheat and
265 Bushels of Barley I sold 15 lambs to 2 men
strangers for the sum of \$53 \$250
- .. 12 this is our fastday we were at the Church
- .. 13 we went up to Robert Amos with Aunt Jane
she is going home we then went up to Mr Ton~~ton~~
the Mrs and Mary and me it rained in the eveni-
ng and we did not get home
- .. 14 this is a very fine day very warm we got home
from Pilkington
- .. 15 this ^{is} our sacrament Sabbath a fine day
- .. 16 a fine day Meeting of Council
- .. 17 a fine day I went to Aberfoyle with 10 bags of Potatos
for Mr Gutyne H.B 30 lb to the Mill of Wheat at
75 cents per B and a small grist

1882

- October 18 this is a very fine warm day we went to Guelph
with a load of Barley 52. B 16 lb at 73 cents
- " 19 the men are ploughing we cleaned up a load of Barley
and thrashed some oats for the horses
- " 20 I was at Hugh Read's sale I bought a Breeding
Sow \$15. 81
- " 21 fine weather we had some frost last night I went
to Guelph with a load of Barley 60. Bushels 40 lb
got 73 cents per B
- " 23 we commenced to top the Turnips and harrow them up
- " 24 a fine day hauling in turnips 19 loads
- " 25 a fine day frosty in the Morning got in 12 loads turnips
I finished taking in the Apples
- " 28 this is a fine day we finished hauling in the turnips 74 large
large loads we have had very fine weather warm and
dry the turnips is a very good crop we had about
12 cart loads of Carrots and 2 wagon loads of
Mangoldwartzle I was in Guelph with Mother
- " 30 a fine day John went down to Moriston with 8 bags
of apples to make cider he brought home the plough
from Bickleys we got a new steel Mouldboard
and a new ladder from McIntyres paid \$2
for it

1882

October 30 we went over to William Gilfillian's when we were coming home we upset in the dark and Mother's gather arm broken.

- Nov 1 I went to Guelph fair and bought a Shetling ram from C Totton Crier for \$11
- " 3 the weather is a little colder frost at night but dry I went to Akeroyde got a letter from Annie Uncle John sent \$40 to Mother and Mary in a present
- " 4 Hugh Kennedy left today his time was up seven months for \$100 paid him in full
- " 6 I went to Akeroyde to a Meeting of the Insurance Directors on some business
- " 7 this day is dull and soft warm looks like rain I went to the Caulfields Mill with 4 bags of Peas and Barley to shop paid 10 cents per bags Sent a letter to Annie
- " 9 a fine day warm and foggy I drove Mother down to Morriston to the Dr put the Cws. to the ram
- " 11 a fine day a very light shower in the Morning I went to Guelph with a load of potatoes sold them for 55cts per bag bought a barrel of herring paid \$7
- " 13 this morning was stormy we had a fine rain yesterday and this morning then it commenced to snow soft the first of the season

1882

- Nov 14 this morning is rather cold a little snow on the ground
a good day for work we were thrashing we thrashed
about 90 bushels of Barley 185 of oats 34 of peas
- " 15 this is a fine day I went up to Caulfield's Mill with
a grist of 5 bags 11 Bushels and 8 bags of chaff I did
not get it home
- " 16 this is a fine day I went up to the Mill for the grist
there was 10 bushels and 5 1/2 lb got 396 lb of flour that
is 36 lb per Bushel it was first class Lawson Wheat
I went down to Morriston with Mather to the Doctor
- " 17 this morning was a little stormy it comeneced to
rain last night then turned to snow it snowed about
3 inches the first of the season we have had a very
fine open fall very little frost
- " 18 frosty this Morning I went to Guelph with 62
bags of potatoes got 60 cents per bag
- " 21 this is a fine day I went over to Rockwood with the
Wood to the factory I got 23 1/2 lbs carded paid \$1.65
traded off 11 1/2 lbs for flannel got 23 st per lb flannel
50 st per yd left 37 1/2 lb to spin
- 23 we have very fine weather it rained some this
after noon we killed a cow today John has been
at ~~Wadts~~ thrashing nearly all week 3 1/2 days

1882

Nov 24 we had some snow this morning John is at Gilchrist's
thrashing

- .. 25 I went to Guelph with 20 bags of Potatoes got 55cts per bag and 4 bags of apples got \$1.25 per bag
- .. 26 Snowed nearly all day
- 27 a fine day but frosty I went to Moriston with Mother to the Doctor with the cutter
- .. 28 This day is raw and cold James Lennie and wife was here we went to James Mooneys Sale
- .. 29 this day is cold James Cottrell has been at Saings thrashing for me for 3 days

- Dec 1 this is a fine day we were thrashing peas about 130 bushels
- " 2 we went to Guelph we took up a load of Clawson wheat to Nutries Mill 35 Bushels 45lb at 91cts
 - " 4 I was at the Council Meeting the last of the season we received our pay \$40 each
 - . 5 I went up to Mount Forest to the Meeting of the County Council went upon the Cars from Guelph John took up 13 bags to the Mill to chop
 - .. 6 this is a fine day the County Council was invited to visit the Central and the High Schools of Mount Forest we were drove round in Sleighs I went in the evening to John Little's to Bels Corners 4 miles

1882

Dec 7 this is a terrible stormy day wind and snow all night and all day I drove in from Bells Corners in the Morning right against the wind it was a terrible drive the County Council was invited Mr McMellius M P in the evening to Musick and refreshments we went

" 8 this day is stil stormy the County Council was invited to an Oyster Supper at the Queens by the Town Council of Mt Forest I did not go

" 9 this day is not so stormy we got home from Mt Forest we got paid \$10 and \$4⁴⁰ milage 67 miles I got \$10 for Commissioner on the Brock Road I bought a Valise on Tuesday paid \$4 and a Buffalo Skin paid \$11

" 11 John went with Mother to the Post

" 12 I went down to Guelph paid Alex McLeod for the boys boots \$6⁵⁰

" 13 this day is stormy we went to Guelph

" 14 it has been windy all night the roads are heavy this is the Christmas fat cattle Show and fair we went to Guelph with a load of Barley 73 Bushels got 73 stls per B \$53³⁰ Bought a 100 lb of oatmeal paid \$3 per doo

1882

- Dec 16 this day is sold a some stormy in the forenoon we went to Guelph John Mary Mother and me we took in 30 Bushels and 10 lbs of Barley got 73cts per B the Barley is very low in price from 40 to 50cts per B my Barley is good and I sold it some time ago I have sold 216 Bushels 18 lb to John McFenzie for 73cts per B it came to \$157.82
- " 20 this is a fine winter day I went up with mother to Robert Amos she is going to stay a few days I took up 6 bags of Apples to sell to Guelph 3 bags for \$1.25 and 3 for \$1 each Mother had some butter got 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ cts per lb
- " 21 this day is soft a great thaw with a little rain there is a great quantity of snow on the ground at present
- " 22 this is a fine day I was down at the nomination of Councillors I was Nominated as Dep Reeve Robert Little was Nominated in opposition to me
- " 23 we went to Guelph with 5 bags of apples sold them for \$1 per Bag we had some turkeys
- " 28 this is a fine day I went to Guelph for some ^{things} for Annie and Brother John to send to California
- " 29 this is a fine day I went over to Duncan Campbells early this Morning to meet John Campbell he is going to Australia he is going to call on Annie

1882

Dec 29 we sent some small presents to Brother John and
Annie with John Campbell

" 30 I went to Guelph to see some of my Friends

January 1 1883

this is a very fine day the sleighing is very good
this is the election day for the Municipal
Council I was Elected Dep^r Reeve by a
Majority of 78 over Little

" 3 I went down to Toronto as a Delegate to the
Reform Convention

" 4 I got home tonight from Toronto we had
a very large convention the largest meeting
of men ever seen in Ontario some eight
Thousand men

" 5 this is a very cold stormy day

" 6 this day is cold Robert Amos and Margaret
came down today I sent a letter to John Little

" 8 I went to Guelph in the Morning with Bob Cook
and Bill Pattons wife to meet the train
then I went down to Morriston with Mother
to the Doctor he took the splints off her arm

" 10 this day is very cold we killed the pigs 7
6 spring pigs and one 20 months old

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1883

Aug 11 this is a fine day but cold and frosty we went to Guelph with two pigs sold them for \$8.15 per 100lb the one weighed 372lb and the other 200lb they came to \$46.20 the weight of them we left at home was 200lb 198lb 197lb 193lb 165lb Spring Pigs they were nice ones

" 12 this is a fine day but very frosty I was down to Atherfoyle to the Annual Meeting of the Penlink Insurance Company I was Elected President I received a letter from the Post Office Department at Washington with regard to a package sent from California

" 13 this Morning was very stormy but it changed soft in the afternoon I wrote a letter to John in California

" 14 this is a fine day but very keen frost I was at Atherfoyle at the first Meeting of the Council for the year 1883

" 16 a fine day but very cold I went to Guelph and got a parcel out of the Custom House it was sent by express from California I paid 30 cents for getting the papers drawn out to relieve it

" 17 we had a great fall of snow it snowed nearly all day then got very stormy all night the roads are bad the snow are deep this is the night of the Penlink Farmers Social there was a great crowd

1883

Jan 17 John got home from Suther he bought 50 bushels of Peas from Mr Harriat of Suther Township paid 70cts per Bushel he left 8 bags at John Littles he is to bring them down the roads were very bad the snow is so deep

" 18 I went to Rockwood for the yarn got $3\frac{1}{2}$ lb paid 15cts per lb \$4.73 the roads are very heavy

" 19 this was a very stormy day especially in the forenoon I went out to Obernayl in the afternoon I took out $\frac{85}{15}$ lb of pork to Mrs Stewart got \$6.22

" 20 we went to Guelph with Mrs Stewart to meet Mennies Son Duncan he came on the 4.30 train from Port Huron we had a very meet night coming home

" 22 yesterday and today has been extremely cold very keen frost and windy the coldest this winter

23 this is a very cold day the coldest day I think that I ever felt I drove into Guelph I was very cold this was the first Meeting of the County Council of Wellington for the year 1883

26 this was a very cold morning it was 20 below zero

27 this morning is not so cold it snowed some and rained last night there is a hard crust on the snow

1883

Jan 27 I went into Guelph I have been in to Guelph
for the last five days at the County Council
we finished this Morning we are to meet next
in Harriston on the first Tuesday in June

- “ 29 this is a fine day we were at Morriston
- “ 30 a fine day John went up to the Campbell Mills with
13 bags of Peas & oats to Chop paid 8cts per Bag
- “ 31 this day is cold and windy John went to Guelph with
a load of wood for John Smith he had a Bee and
a dance at night

Feb 1 this day is cold we were working about house

- “ 2 this day is cold we cleaned up a load of wheat read
full I went down to Sherburne in the evening and
got some papers and a letter from California and
a letter from Duncan
- “ 3 this morning is very stormy it snowed a lot all
night the snow is very deep and the roads bad it
rained in the evening then freezed hard
- “ 5 this day is very cold and the roads are very hard to
travel on there is a thin crust of ice on the snow
and the roads not much traveled the last two
days it cuts the horses feet I was at the council
- “ 6 this is a fine day but cold

1883

Feb 7 this is a fine day we had a shower of snow this morning
I went to Guelph with Mary I had the cutter this
is the Guelph Fair John had a load of Red Winter
wheat with him 38 Bushels 15 lb a \$1 per bushel
\$38 25 it weighed 62 lb to the bushel

Grace Grigor came over from Michigan on the
afternoon train

" 8 this is a very stormy day high wind the roads are
drifting very bad I was down to Oberfoyle to a meeting
to appoint Delegates to go to Guelph to a convention
of reformers

" 9 I went to Guelph to the convention held for the
purpose of selecting a candidate in the Reform interest
James Laidlaw was appointed the roads are badly
drifted we had hard work getting in to Guelph
Gilchrist Murry and Red was with me and
Cullen Watt came home with me from Wyomen

" 10 this Morning was very cold very calm and
keen frost they say it is the coldest this winter
we went down to Morriston with the Boys we
bought some cloth for a suit for them
we cutt some wood with the saw in the forenoon

12 this is a fine day we are working at home

1883

- Feb 13 this is a very fine but very keen frost in the Morning
the Sun was bright and clear John and Me was
down to the Meeting at the Aberfoyle Town Hall
Laidlaw and Johnston Speck I was Chairman
- " 14 this is Stormy day high wind from the East and
some snow
- 16 this day is very dull and foggy with some Shows the
Snow is very soft
- 17 I went to Guelph with 5 bags of apples got \$1.50
for 3 bag \$1 for one \$1.30 for one 6 bags Potatoes
sold them for 65cts per bag the roads are very
bad the snow was soft in the morning
- 19 I went over to sell some timber on the sideline
between lots 10 & 11 on the 5 road
- 14 put the young sow to John Kitchen's Boar
- " 20 I went to Guelph to the Nomination of Members
of Parliament James Laidlaw and Matthew Scott
are was Nominated
- 22 the weather is cold and stormy Mother went up
to Robert Amos they are all bad with the measles
except himself we had a Reform meeting at
Drkell for Mr Laidlaw I was Chairman
- 23 I went down to Morriston in the afternoon

1883

Feb 24 I went to Guelph I had some Butter got 25cts
per lb 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb I bought 860 lb at ^{Bran} 12 per ton at
the Caulfield Mills

" 27 this is a very cold day stormy in the afternoon
this was the Election of Members from the Ontario
house of Parliament James Loudon was
Elected by a majority of 32 over Sweetman
I went up to Robert Amos at night

" 28 this is a fine day I brought home Mother
from Margaret's they are getting better

March 1 this a very fine warm day

2 a fine day we went over to James Lennies in
the afternoon the roads were soft

" 3 this day some soldier John went to Guelph
with his wife Mary she went up to Culross
to see her Sister the Girls went to Guelph
the Boys and me cleaned up some wheat to sell
I paid James Watt \$7.00 the price of our mare
to his horse Englands Glory

" 4 this day is very cold with a high wind and very clear

" 5 I was ^{at} Meeting of the Council in the afternoon

" 6 this day is cold and Stormy with snow John
went to John Hutchins with the young son to the Bear

1883

March 7 this is a terable stormy day and dreadfull cold with a very high wind the roads are very bad drifted especially the sidelines we took up a load of fall wheat to the Mill to sell sold it for \$1.2 per Bushel and 5 lbs

\$44.18 it was read Winter Wheat weighed 62 lb to the bushel

we went into the Guelph Fair it was a poor fair

John Little came down yesterday from Luther

" 8 this is a fine day but frosty we were digging snow in the forenoon hauled in 3 loads of turnips in the afternoon the Doughty Boys came to chop some firewood

" 9 we are hauling home oats from the back barn I went to the forge

" 10 this day is sort of soft soft snow in the forenoon colder in the evening we went to Guelph to Meet Lazarus Mary she is up at Terwatter she did not come home we went to Morriston in the morning

" 11 this is a very cold day with high wind

" 12 this day is milder but the roads are badly drifted we went over to Larnoult near the Lake with Grace Grigor we came home by Gilfillians I sold two heifers to Christ Little for \$92 to go away tomorrow morning

" 14 this day is cold high wind we went to Guelph Easter fair we took a load of red fall wheat up to Muriel's Mill sold it for \$1.2 per Bushel 37 B 13 lb \$37.94 we bought a barrel salt paid \$1.40 25 lb cattle feed \$1.12

1883

March 16 this is a fine day we went down to Morriston in the afternoon with some Butter and eggs paid Scott \$1.20 for fixing harness John was at Sandy Flinnings bee hauling bricks from Morriston

" 17 we went to Guelph the Boys got there Pictures taken at Burges we took the Horse Dick to Guelph to Deliver him to Palmer John sold him two weeks ago for \$150 Mary came home from Teaswater

" 18 this morning was wet it rained in the forenoon and snowed all afternoon

" 19 this is terrible Stormy day been Stormy and very cold all day and all night snowing and blowing

" 20 this is a fine I went in to Guelph and deposited \$150 in the Savings Bank then I went over to Suttons Dale

" 21 this is a fine day but it was very keen frost last night and yesterday 20 below zero we went down to Morriston then over to Gilfillians

" 23 this is a terrible Stormy day wind and Snow Robert Amas and Mr Legate / came down for Barley Mr Legate got 4 bushels at 60cts \$24.50 Robert got 20 bushels of Barley and 9 bushels of Peas at 85cts \$19.90

1883

- March 24 this is a fine day John and the Boys hauling turnips
25 I was at the Council Meeting the Boys got all the
turnips hauled home
.. 27 this ^{day} got very cold in the afternoon we was at Watt's sale
.. 28 this is a fine clear day but frosty John was at a
Bee at Kenneth McHenry's hauling sand
we got home the Horse Rock we brought from Christ
Little for \$100
.. 29 this is a fine clear day frosty at night I went up to the Mill
with a grist of 6 bags of wheat 13 B 3 & 1/2 lb I had to leave it
we went down to James Scott's I paid \$80 to Christ Little
in part for the Horse Rock
.. 30 this is very fine day we were thrashing oats 300 bushels
we thrashed some ~~some~~ place crop of 1881
.. 31 this day is fine but very frosty and clear we went to
Guelph with some butter and eggs I bought a
Bushel of Clover Seed paid \$8.50 100 lb of
Oat meal paid \$3

April 4 this day is milder and soft it has been clear and frosty
for some days we went to Guelph with 8 Bushels
of Spring wheat for Mr Legate got \$1.5 per B for
12 B 12 B 4 lb of Peas for W Dunn at 85 st5 per B
part of the Peas we brought down from Arthur

1883

April 4 I sold the 2 steers to Christ Little for G Gray
for \$6 1/2 per 100 lb live weight to be kept till the
Month of May and to be Delivered at Aberfoyle
and weighed there he paid me \$10 on these

" 5 this day is soft and wet it rained a good deal
John went up to Muriel's Mill with 13 bags
of Peas & oats to sharpen the Boys and we were clea-
ning Spring wheat for seed

" 4 I received Mrs Stewarts rent from Barkly \$100
I deposited \$10.80 in the Ontario Savings Bank
I paid Christ Little \$20 in full for the Horse
Rock I bought I paid a note of \$10.75 to John
Thompson for the Sleigh and carpet

" 6 this is a fine I went out to Aberfoyle to the Farmers Club
Seed Show I showed 10 bushels Spring Wheat the
White Russian variety I got the Second Prize for it
I took out 8 bushels to John Carter he paid me
\$1. ~~8~~²⁵ per bushel \$8.64

" 7 this is a fine day we had a fall of snow last night
about 3 inches John Mary and me went down to
Morriston with Butter and Eggs I got a letter from George
" 9 this is a fine warm day the sleighing is bad we were
sawing the wood we cut 18 cord Bill Evans and

1823

- April 9 R Rogers shaped 1½ cords the Daughtrys cut the rest
we gave 50 cts per cord for chopping it
- " 10 this day is warm John and Robert is at Murreys saw
ing firewood
- " 11 John is at Duncan Gilchrist's sawing wood and
cutting straw
- " 14 this is a very warm day the snow is going very fast we
went to Guelph with some Butter and eggs and apples
got \$1.65 for one bag \$1.25 for 2 bags we got 24 cts
for butter 15 cts for egg —
- " 16 this is a fine day we were at Mrs Tomas Todd's
Funeral Samuel Bradshaw commenced to work
- " 17 this is a very fine day the snow is nearly all gone
I down to Morriston to P P Johnson Sale I bought
a new boiler for the stove paid \$2.90 6 milk pans
paid 21 cts each a pot 25 cts
- " 18 this is a fine ~~warm~~ day I fixed the shafts for the Buggy
- " 19 this morning was very wet it rained nearly all night
I went to Guelph with Grace Grigor she went off
on the 10 o'clock train going home to Michigan
- " 20 Samuel Bradshaw commenced to work he is hired
for Seven Months at the rate of \$18 per month
- " 20 this is a fine day frosty at night

1883

- April 21 this is a fine day but cold a frosty in the morning
we went to Guelph with Butter and eggs I took
3 bags of oats to ship to Muttres Mill for the Bull
.. 22 this is a very cold day cold wind from the North
.. 23 this is a very cold day very hard frost wind from the
North East John Went to Guelph for a load of salt
2255 lbs at \$5⁵⁰ per ton paid \$6.20
.. 24 this is a very cold day hard frost and showers of snow
we put tick destroyer on the sheep the men is ploughing
and I was pruning Apple trees
25 this is a very cold day and frosty the ground was white in the ^{Morning}
.. 26 this day is some warmer we sowed salt on the orchard
we sowed barley in the orchard
it commenced rain after dinner
.. 27 the old sow piged she had 11 but 4 died before Wednesday
.. 28 a fine day but very cold I was pruning trees
.. 28 a fine day we sowed 8 bushels Barley and nearly
3 bushels of Peas in the back field
.. 29 this day is very cold very hard frost in the Morning
.. 30 a fine day but frosty in the morning cultivating
the land where the turnips was got the garden ploughed
May 1 a fine day but frosty in the morning we sowed 6
bushels of Spring wheat 3 bushels oats 6 bushels Barley

1883

- May 2 this a fine day John finished sowing the Barley
18 Bushels in all I was in to Guelph fair
- " 3 John sowed some oats in the big flat field it rained
in the afternoon I wrote a letter to Annie in California
- " 4 this day raw and cold after the rain Mother & Me
went over to Mr Thomas and got us some new teeth
Mother got 28 a full set and I got 12 above
paid 38 Dollars he threw $\$4$ off
- " 5 this day is cold John sowed 6 acres of oats we went
to Morriston in the afternoon the Girls got a letter from
Annie
- " 7 this is a fine day I was out to Mrs Stewart's about the
farm I went in to Guelph in the evening for to
Meet Annie Grigor from from Michigan but she
did not come
- " 9 this is a fine day John sowed some oats in the field
at the creek I was busy at the Garden
- " 10 this is a fine warm day in the forenoon it rained
a good deal in the afternoon John sowed oats in
the forenoon it is a fine Spring day
- " 11 this day is raw and cold we went down with the 2 steers
to the Credit Valley Station at Scaries that I sold to
Edmon Greay they weighed 2490 lb at $\$6\frac{1}{2}$ $\$181.35$

1883

May 12 this is a fine day but cold very frosty at night John sowed some oats and some peas 8 bushels I was down to Morriston got a pair of new blinders from T T Scott paid \$6⁵⁰ for the blinds and 50cts for 2 tiestraps bought a pair of shoes for Edward paid \$1.75 for them

" 14 this morning is very cold there is a cold east wind it was very cold yesterday and frosty at nights it commenced to rain about 10 o'clock and rained all day John sowed 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ Bushels peas in the morning

" 15 this is a fine day the land is very wet we sowed plaster back in the leary field Sam commenced to plough in the orchard

" 16 this is a fine day frosty at night cold air all day rolling the fall wheat and ploughing the barbed planted 4 or 5 bushels of potatoes in the orchard the rest is for corn

" 17 this is a very fine day warm through the day frost in the morning I was grafting apple trees put graft on 5 or 6 trees John was harrowing the turnip land

" 18 a fine warm day I trimmed part of the willow fence back John sowed 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ bushels of oats Sam is ploughing this is the first appearance of Spring weather

1883

- May 19 this is a very fine day we went to Guelph with butter & eggs
butter 18 cts eggs 14 I bought a bag of potatoes from John
Dini the White Elephant potatoes paid \$1.50 per lb
- " 21 this is a very cold wet day a very high cold wind from
the east it has rained all day it is real^{ly} very cold
- " 22 this day is cold and wet it rained all night very raw I
got a letter from George
- " 23 this day is raw and cold I went to Guelph with Mary
She is gone up to Mount Forrest on the carra she
is going to see Susan at Bells Corners I bought
a grape for the stable paid \$1 for it
- " 24 This is a fine day the weather is improved
- 25 this is a fine warm day we sowed the carrots and
Mangold Mortzel we went to Morriston
- " 26 this day is very wet it commenced to rain in the fore
noon it has rained most all day Stratton Men came
here to paint the roof on the Flame with fireproof
- " 28 this is a fine day I was at the Council Meeting John
and the boys is planting the Potatoes
- " 27 a fine day we finished planting the Potatoes getting the
Dung on the turnip land
- 30 a fine day in the forenoon rained heavy in the afternoon
I was examining the roads with Glannie

1883

- May 31 a fine day this is the last day for the Sacrement
June 1 this is a fine day frost in the Morning I was at
a meeting of the Council in the evening
.. 3 this is the Sacrement Sabbath
.. 4 we were at Mrs John Marchels funeral
.. 5 a fine Morning but it rained heavy in the evening
I went up to Harriston to the County Council
Meeting paid \$2.25 for a return ticket
.. 6 the County Council went on an excursion up to
Wierton on Colpas bay we paid \$1 for a return
ticket from Harriston to Wierton we had a sail
on the Bay in the Steamboat
.. 7 this morning is dull and soft some rain we
got home from Harriston in the evening
4 we finished sowing the oats
.. 12 this is a fine day I was out letting jobs on the
roads all day
.. 13 I went in to Guelph and put a notice in the
Mercury for jobs on the roads
14 this is a very fine day we have had very wet
cold weather this Spring every thing is very
late it is good growing weather now John
Flardy and Me were shearing the sheep 34

- June 16 this day was very warm it is fine growing weather the
Mare Fannie foaled this morning it is a fine strong Mare
foal she went 11 months and 14 day John is drilling
for the turnips we would have sowed tonight but we had
a slight thunder shower but it went round
- " 18 the weather is very warm it rained nearly all
night till 10 o'clock we had a terrible thunder
storm about 5 o'clock some very heavy light
ting and thunder and very heavy rain there
have been a great deal of rain since last night
- " 19 we had a very heavy rain about 5 o'clock
the men was working the Statute labour today
I was over at the 4 Corners opposite lots 5 & 6 letting
jobs on the roads
- " 20 this day is very dull and showy the land very wet
there is a large quantity of the flats covered with
water we went to Guelph with Mrs Stewart
I bought $1\frac{1}{2}$ bushels of Hungarian grass paid
~~\$1 50~~ per Bushel
- " 21 this is a fine day it got more settled towards
evening John has been drilling for the turnips
the drills he made last Saturday he had to harrow
commenced to sow the turnips in the evening

1883

June 22 this is a fine day Sowed a lot of turnips John was
at Mr. Fergusons Barn raising Sam got the summer
fallow all ploughed

" 23 this is a fine day Sowed some turnips

" 25 this morning is soft and dull John finished drilling
for the turnips but did not get them sown it came
on very heavy rain after dinner John Little was
down with little Totmie they went away to go home
in the morning he took a young Boar away with
him he is to pay me \$5 for it

" 26 this day is soft and dull I commenced to paint the
Dining room

" 27 this day is dull and wet I am painting

" 28 this morning is dull and soft it rained heavy last
night

" 30 this day is fine John finished Sowing the turnips
July 1 the young sow piged She had 10 pigs all alive

" 2 this is a fine day the folks went to Guelph to the
Calidonia games I was up to examine the roads
near the Mill at Burkell

" 3 this is a fine day I was at the Agricultural College
at the closing Examination in the afternoon

" 4 this day is very warm and some showers

1883

July 4 Mother and Me went to Beaverly and Galt

" 5 we came home from Dumfrise we were over to visit at Mr Amoss and William Beatties there was some very heavy Showrs of rain in the afternoon

" 7 This day is Shoury and wett I went over to th' Con to Examin th' road Hugh Reeds job then I went to Guelph I bought 4 lb of Paris Green paid 40cts per lb

" 9 this is a fine day John comenced to cutt th' Heay I went down to Moriston I got a letter from Annie

" 10 a fine day we got in 2 loads of heay

" 11 a fine day there was a Showr last night I went to Guelph with th' wool sold 98 lb at 19cts per lb and 8 lb fine wool at 32 cts per lb \$21. 18 I bought 3 bags of liverpool salt paid 90cts per sack I bought 6 rakes and a fork and a 100 lb of nails paid \$3 for the nails

" 12 this is a fine day busy at th' heay got in 4 loads we had a Showr in the evening

" 13 the Mare Doll foaled this morning the foal died

" 13 this is a good heay day I went to Moriston in the afternoon I put ths Mare Fannie to Peter Rikers horse young Englands Glory

" 14 this is a fine day we are at th' heay and thinning turnips and Mangoldwurtyell

1883

- July 16 this is a fine day dull in the Morning we had a very heavy rain yesterday Morning I was at the Council Meeting in the afternoon they got in 1 load of hay from the big plat field
17 we had a small shower in the Morning but it turned out a fine day pretty windy we got in 4 loads of hay I was cutting thistles in the oats
18 this is a fine day for the hay we got in 5 loads I was cutting thistles and went to Abberfoyle in the afternoon
20 this is a fine day finished cutting the hay got in 4 load
.. 21 this is a fine day dull in the Morning finished harvesting in the hay 24 loads of very good hay Edward was coming home from the back lot with the horse raik and he let pannie run away and smashed the raik badly we went to Guelph with Bill Pattons wife
.. 23 this Morning is dull we had a heavy rain yesterday Morning and a great deal of thunder and lightning the folks is thinning the turnips
.. 25 this is fine weather warm today it is cold at night the rust has commenced on the Wheat
.. 26 a fine day the girls and Me went to R. Dumas

1883

July 27 there was a great deal of rain last night with thunder and lightning we had a terrible storm of wind and rain in the afternoon I was down at Oberon's at the time

28 a fine day got up a very high wind in the afternoon

" 30 this is a fine day but cold Mr and Mrs ^{Ames} was here from Galt on a visit Stratton's boys is here painting the roof of the house and sheep pen

" 31 this is a fine day but very cold for this season of the year the men commenced to cut the Barley in the orchard it is very heavy and laid down very lead the boys are going ploughing the summer fallow commenced to clean the turnips the second time

30 was up at the Arkell Mill with a grist of wheat 13 bushels got 524 lb flour 38 lb to the Bushel I got 182 lb of Bran

August 1 this is a fine day we went to Guelph with Mrs Patton and her children to go to Port Huron I bought a wheel for Sulky Hake paid a dollar for the men finished cutting the Barley in the orchard " 2 this is a very fine day very warm commenced to cut the fall wheat we got in two loads of Barley

- August 3 this day is very cold with a high wind we are cutting wheat got in 3 loads of barley
- " 4 a fine day but cold for the season cutting wheat got in 1 load of Barley
- " 6 this is a very fine warm day cutting wheat
- " 7 a fine warm day finished cutting the wheat 25 acres it is badly rusted cutt some Barley
- " 8 this is a very warm day finished cutting the Barley we hauled in 11 loads of Wheat
- " 10 we finished hauling in the Barley 15 loads it is a very good crop
- " 11 the weather is very dry we finished hauling in the fall wheat 27 loads
- " 13 the men is at the turnips the second time
- " 14 Robert is at the Plough he is Ploughing the Barley land at the back lot I went to Guelph and got some Shears for the Gang Plough and one for the No 4 Plough I bought a bag of Shorts at the Mill
- " 15 Robert & Sam is Ploughing the rest is at the turnips
- " 16 the weather is very dry and warm in the day and cold at night Sam comenced to haul out dung we were putting Paris green on the Potatoes the second time
- " 17 this day is very warm John was at Sandy Flemmings threshing

1883

- August 17 I was at the Puslinch Lake with Mother and Elizabeth
we were at the Gilchrist Clan Picnic
- " 18 this day was soft and dull and very warm and some light
showers then we had terrible storm of wind and rain in the
evening about 5 o'clock
- " 19 there was a great deal of lightning all last night and
some rain then in the Morning we had a terrible rain
it rained until nine o'clock very heavy the flats
are flooded with water
- " 20 this was a fine ^{day} with a shower about noon the men had
pulled the Peas in the back field a little over an acre they
were a fine crop I was at the Council Meeting
- " 22 we have fine weather now we were thrashing wheat
we thrashed about 160 Bushels but it is badly shrunk
some is very poor
- 23 this is a fine day we hauled in 3 loads of peas Sam is hauling
out dung to the back field
- " 14 took lambs from the ewes 17 lambs and 33 others
- " 25 this is a fine day the men is pulling peas we went to Guelph
with butter and eggs and 2 bags of Apples got \$1 per Bag
I bought 50 lb of oatmeal paid ~~\$1 37~~
- " 27 this is a fine day the men is pulling peas we hauled in 2 loads
of Peas they have got the biggest part of them pulled

1883

- August 28 this day is very cold and sort of wet shiny and disagreeable John is at Saings thrashing and Sam is at Hardy I was examining the roads on the Townline Susan and Margaret came down to see us today
- .. 29 this is a fine day but rather cold I went to Guelph with a load of Oats 55 B 30 lb I only got 55 B 10 lb Sold them to Carter got 39 cents per Bushel \$21.55
- . 30 this is a fine day we commenced to cut the Spring Wheat and we broke the pitman shaft and I had to go to Guelph got it mended at Tolton's paid 50 ct
- 31 this is a very warm day we finished cutting the Spring wheat it is a very good crop we hauled in 2 loads of Peas Sam has been at Matt's thrashing nearly $2\frac{1}{2}$ days
- Sept 1 this is a fine harvest day the men has been hauling in Peas and pulled some we have about an Acre to pull yet but they are not ripe we went to Guelph
- .. 3 this day is dry but cold John commenced to cut the Oats Sam is ploughing for the fall wheat I went to Guelph to draw some money out the Bank for Mrs Stewart \$20
- .. 4 I went out to Sherford to the Seed Wheat Show I had out 16 Bushels of Wheat for John Carrthers I got \$1.15 per B we got a very heavy rain coming home

1883

Sept 5 a fine day the men is ploughing in the forenoon at the Oats, in the afternoon I cleaned up 11 Bushels of Democrat Wheat all we had off 2 Bushels down

" 6 a fine day we were at the Oats in the back field next Archys

" 7 this Morning is dull we were at the Oats till noon it commenced to rain at noon and rained a little all afternoon Robert went away with Susan up to Robert Amos he is going up home with her to Bells Corners

" 8 this day is very cold got very cold in the Afternoon the Men is ploughing we cleaned up some wheat for seed 12 Bushels for Duncan Gilchrist and 16 B for John Black and 8 B for ourselves

" 9 this day is cold frost last night had our overcoat at Church

" 10 this is a warmer day but it was a very heavy frost last night the corn and hungarian grass is frozen white we have a field of late oats 8 Acres badly frozen they were very heavy crop but late we got in the Spring Wheat 4 loads Robert got home from Bells corners

" 11 this is a fine day very warm in the middle of the day we were cutting oats

" 12 this is a fine warm day but frost at night John sowed 10 Acres of fall Wheat we pulled the last of the Peas we hauled in 3 loads of oats we have 6 loads in

1883

- Sept 13 this is a fine day we were hauling in oats in the forenoon 3 bushels
it rained a little in the afternoon John is at Murray's thrashing
" 14 a fine day I was up near Arkell letting jobs on the roads
" 15 a fine day I was at Guelph the men is at the oats
hauling in
" 17 a fine day the men is ploughing for fall wheat at the
back field Annie and Uncle John came home from
California on a visit I got a present of a very fine Gold
Watch from Brother John
" 18 the men finished ploughing for the fall wheat I went
down to Morriston with Uncle John
" 19 a fine day I went into Guelph with Uncle John Annie
Mary and Elizabeth they went down to the Toronto
Show I bought a Cappie Mill paid \$1 for it John
finished sowing the fall wheat sowed 9 Bushels 1/2 in all
there is 15 1/2 Acres
" 21 this day is fine the boys is at the oats cutting and binding
" 22 a very fine day they finished cutting and binding the oats
we went to Guelph with some butter and eggs John and
Annie went up to Margaret's
" 24 this day is soft and raining John went to the Arkell Mill
with Agriest of 2 bags of Wheat old & 4 bag of peas to chop

1883

- Sept 25 this day is cold and raw we went up to Robert Adams with Uncle John and Annie the men is ploughing
- " 26 this is a fine day cold in the morning we were up to Guelph to the Provincial Exibition
- " 27 a fine day we were nearly all up to Guelph at the Fair or Exibition it rained at night and very dark
- " 28 I was up to Guelph to the Show
- " 29 this day is soft and wet in the afternoon we comensed to dig up the potatoes in the forenoon ^{the old sow} ^{8 pigs} October a fine day but cold I was at the Council Meeting John and the Boys is at the Potatoes
- " 1 this morning is very wett untill 8 o'clock we thrashed some Peas about 90 Bushels and about 45 Bushels Spring Wheat it was a fine day after it cleared up
- ③ this day is cold and raw Susan and the Children went away home this afternoon the Most of our Family was here at Diner today
- " 4 this day is fine but frosty at night the men is hauling in oats we went over to Andrew McRobbies with Uncle and Annie and Mother
- " 5 a fine day but cold and frosty in the morning Mother Georges Mary and me went to Guelph the Men finished hauling in the Oats

1883

October 6 this morning is cold and threatening rain I went in to Guelph

- " 8 this is a fine day the Boys is at the Potatoes I was getting things ready for the Show
- " 9 this is a very fine warm day we were at the Parisian Show there was a great crowd of people
- " 10 this is a fine warm day the Boys is at the Potatoes I went to Guelph in the Morning with Brother John and the ~~three~~ girls Annie Mary and Elizabeth to the Station they went to Niagara Falls I was home by half past nine o'clock I was out to Mrs Stewarts to measure her Apples in the afternoon there was $1\frac{1}{2}$ Bushels and about a gallon
- " 11 the Boys is at the Potatoes I went in to Guelph in the evening for the folks they came home from the falls this is the last day
- " 12 this day is dull and soft the Boys finished taking up the Potatoes I went down to Mr Leslie's to a Magistrate Court to try John Murray laborer for breaking Alexander Campbell jaw bone
- " 13 we were at the church Sam was ploughing the Potatoes land the Boys were gathering
- " 14 this is the Sacrement Sabbath very cold

1883

- October 15 Sam was at Atkinson thrashing John finished ploughing
the potatoe land I was pulling apples I went up to David
Flings to Examine a job on the Road
- " 16 this is a fine day but very frosty in the Morning we went
into Guelph with Annie and her Uncle John to see
them off on the Carrs they started off to there home in
California U.S.
- " 17 John went up to the Arkell Mill with 2 bags of Wheat
- " 17 this day is very cold I was at the Apples I went out to Mrs
Stewart's in the Morning John went up to the Arkell
Mill with a load of Wheat 42 Bushels 50 lb got
\$1..12 st per Bushell \$47..89 st,
- " 18 this morning is frosty I was at the apples I went out to
Mrs Stewart's in the evening with 50 lb flour
- " 19 this Morning is warm I went to Guelph to enquire
about some canned fruit that is coming from California
John and the Boys is pulling up the Mangelwurzels
- " 20 this day is very cold and raw I was out to Mrs Stewart's
we sold her farm to Pat Bailey for \$5000 we
went down to Mr Leslie's to get the agreement wrote
- " 22 the weather has been very cold we have got the carrots
up the Boys is toppling the turnips Sam is Ploughing

1883

Ot 23 this day is warmer I was at the apples got the most
of them in John is ^{at} Mc Fergies thrashing Robert
harrowed up some of the turnips

.. 24 this is a fine warm day I finished pulling the apples
they are a very poor crop a great many trees there is
no apples on we howevered to haul home the turnips
11 loads

.. 25 we were busy at the Turnips John has been 3 day at Mc Fergies

.. 27 thrashing I went in to Guelph with George Mary she
sent a box to George with John McRobbie to the Postage

.. 27 we have had very fine weather this week we have
got in 47 loads of turnips

.. 29 this day is soft there has been a light rain most all day

.. 30 this is a fine day at the turnips in the afternoon

.. 31 this is a fine day got cold in the afternoon we finished
hauling in the turnips part of them was good part very
small there was 60 big loads I went up to the Arkell
Mill with a grist of new wheat 10 Bushels
got 360 lb of flour or 36 lb to the Bushel

Nov 1 this morning was soft there was a light shower of snow
last night but it turned out a fine day I went out to
~~2 this is a fine day~~ the Stewarts to fill up her Potatoes
and apples Patrick Bailey paid \$4 32 on the Farm

1883

- Nov 2 this is a fine day we were threshing Barley over
200 Bushels and over 100 Bushels of oats threshed well
- " 3 this is a very fine day I went to Guelph with Mrs
Stewart's Potatoes 13 Bags Apples 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ Bags Potatoes 70 cts
Apples \$1 Per Bag I paid David Stirtor \$432 on a Mortgage
he held on the Stewart Farm got a release
- " 5 John and the Boys hauled home the Potatoes from the
Back field I went down to Bickleys to get a tire on
the iron & steel Wagon
- " 6 the men commenced to Plough the turnip land I cleaned
up a load of Barley
- " 7 we have very fine weather just now Johns wife had
a young Daughter this morning we went to Guelph
with a load of Barley 52 Bushels at home 51 B 12 at
Guelph got 65 cts per Bushel the highest price paid
- " 8 this is the Government Thanksgiving Day John
and Me went to the church cleand a load of Barley
- " 9 it was very foggy in the forenoon with a shower then
it cleared up with a very high Wind in the afternoon
- " 10 this is a fine day I went to Guelph with a load of Barley
52 B 4 lb at home 51 B 32 but Guelph got 65 cts per Bushel
\$33.58 Robert and the two Marys went to Guelph
with the Buggy they went to see the Doctor

1883

- Nov 12 this is a terable Stormy day a terable wind with
Showers of Snow it continued all day we cleaned up
a load of Barley the Boys started to go to School
- " 13 this is a fine day but rather cold in the morning John
and Me went to Guelph with a load of Barley 51 B 46
at home 50 B 24 We at Guelph got 66 cts per Bushel
~~\$33.33~~ I Bought a pair of felt Boots paid \$2.25
John a pair of long felt Boots paid \$3 Sam a pair of
cowhide Boots paid \$3 got 2 Bags of Liverpool salt
paid ~~\$1.80~~ 100 lbs of oatmeal paid \$2.50
- " 14 this is a very cold Stormy day high wind with Snow
Showers
- " 15 this day is stormy snow Showers got very cold in the
evening I went up to the Arkell Mill with 6
bags of Oats and Peas to chop I went down to Abingdon
in the evening
- " 16 this day is cold and frosty I went ^{to} Bickleys to get
Farmer and Doll Sheds I paid for them
- " 17 this is a fine day cold in the morning I went to Guelph
with a load of Potatoes 20 bags sold them to Mrs
Campbell Dentist for 70 cts per bag and 4 bags
of apples got ~~\$1.50~~ for one bag N Miss and \$1.25
for the other three bags got a pair Boots for R. J
paid ~~\$3~~ for them

1883

Nov 19 this is a very fine warm day Sam is Ploughing

John is sick with a bad cold

20 this is a fine warm day a little rain at night Sam
was Ploughing

21 this day is wet it rained a good deal

22 this is a fine day a very high wind in the morning Robert
Lamb was here and built the steps at the front door
Samuel Bradshaw time was up tonight I paid
him in full \$126 for 7 months

23 a fine day John went to Guelph to see the Doctor Piton
and he Drove in Sam and Bob Little and Georges
Mary to see the Doctor

24 a very fine day I was at Florries thrashing we got
in the Potatoes that was in the ~~field~~

25 this is a very stormy wet day it blazed and rained
nearly all day

26 this is a fine day but windy and cold in the morning
I went in to Guelph got D'lewerts Will register-
ed and other business done John is not able to work yet

28 this day is pretty cold and frosty with a high wind and
a shower of snow I was fixing about home

29 this is a fine day we killed 4 pigs we had D Gilchrist and
C Little helping us there is 7 to kill yet

1883

- Dec 1 this is a fine day we went into Guelph I had the Buggie with Mother and some Ducks and John had a load of Potatoes 18 bags got 40cts per lb and 65 per the next 3 bags of Apples one per $\$1.50$ and two for $\$1.25$ each 2 pigs got $\$5.55$ per hundred lb one weighed 182 the other 175 they were 7 month old we kept 2 at home one weighed 325 the other 185 we bought an over coat for Robert James paid $\$8$ for it
- .. 3 a fine day I was at the Council Meeting the last of the year received $\$40$
- .. 4 a very fine day I went up to Arthur Village to the County Council Meeting went to Fergus on the cars then took a buss to Arthur
- .. 7 this day is wet it rained all forenoon then at night we got down to Guelph from Arthur in the evening and staved in Guelph all night
- .. 8 a fine day but cold in the afternoon I got home from Arthur
- .. 5 John went up to Mutteries Mill with a grist of 10 Bags of Wheat
- .. 10 This is a fine day a little cold I went into Guelph for Doctor Orton for Georges Mary she is very bad
- .. 11 Cleaned up a load of Barley 22 bags a fine day
- .. 12 a fine day I went down to Morris to get a pair of holdbacks paid 75 cts

1883

- Dec 13 this is a very fine day we went to Guelph with a load of Barley
53 B 6 lb at home 52 B 29 lb at Guelph got 63 ct per Bushel
- .. 14 this was a fine warm Morning but it got very cold in the afternoon with a high wind from the north we were thrashing some Oats about 100 B and 56 B of fall wheat we made a mess of the Machine about 4 O'clock and had to stop
- .. 18 this is a very cold windy day with some showers of snow we were hauling home Oats from the back barn I went down to Bickleys to get Rock Salt
- .. 19 we were thrashing Oats some 470 Bushels and about 20 B of Peas we had McPeagies Machine
- .. 20 this was a fine day we went to the Tea meeting at the Town Hall at Atherby in connection with our church
- .. 22 this day is very cold I went to Guelph on some business
- .. 23 this is a dreadfull cold stormy day with the wind out of the east some snow in the afternoon and sleet at night
- .. 24 this is a fine calm mild day with a little sleighing we went to Morriston I bought near 4½ gallons of coal oil price 20 ct per gall from Houston
- .. 25 this is a fine Mild day I was at home all day
- .. 27 this is a fine Morning but got stormy before night snowed the snow west of Bar a good bit I was over at Glenmire with the other members of the Council to examin a new bridge over the river

1883

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with a load 15 bags of Potatoes got 65cts per bag and
4 bags of Apples got \$1 60 per bag
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1884

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Peter Ormes funeral Duncan Graham and
the wife came down to see us
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wind the roads are badly drifted
.. 5 this day is not so stormy but very cold 8 degrees below
zero I went in to Guelph
.. 6 this is a cold stormy day we went to the church
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1884

Jan 12 we have had a very stormy week the snow is very deep
and the roads are badly drifted I was at ~~was~~ Oberoyal at the
Meeting of the Insurance Company I ~~was~~ Elected President
of the Company for this year

14 this day is milder it got very cold in the evening we went
down to Morriston and settled up with W Ross there
was a dispute between him and us about \$1750
that he overcharged I bought 6 tiroaps paid 15 sts
each and a closeline paid 15 sts

15 this is a very cold frosty day Duncan Gilchrist and
Christ Little was helping us to kill pigs we killed
7 the old sow and 6 pigs 6 months old one weighed
155 lb 150 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb 144 .. 147 lb 324 lb 177 lb 166 lb the sow to Boar

16 this is a cold day we went to Guelph with 3 pigs sold
them for \$7 per cwt 322 .. 175 .. 162 lb \$45.64
I bought a front Quarter of beef its weight was 174 lb
paid 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cwt

17 this is a fine day we went out to Oberoyal in the evening to
the Farmers Social it was a fine night

18 this is a fine day we went out to Oberoyal with Mrs Stewart
and Bill McChatters wife

19 this day is very cold we went to Guelph with Mrs Stewart
and Bill McChatters wife to go to Post Thruan US

1884

Jan 21 this day is cold I was at Aberfoyle at the County Meeting
the first Meeting of the year

" 22 Went to Guelph to the first Meeting of the County
Council we elected A J Allan of Clippood Village
as Warden for this year

" 23 this day is stormy it snowed all day I was at Guelph

" 24 this is a fine day but cold in the evening the County
Council went to visit the two Hospitals in the afternoon

" 25 this is dreadfull cold day it is very calm but very keen
frost I got one of my fingers frost bitten going to
Guelph in the morning it is very cold it is 40 degrees
below zero

" 26 this day is not near so cold we finished the County
Council this is the fifth day I got \$11

" 28 this day blustery and snowing we were cutting Peas in
the afternoon we had Donald McFenzie and J McFenzie

" 29 this is a fine day we went down to John McFenzies sale
and to W Gilfillans

" 30 this day is very soft it is regular thaw the first thaw
we have had in January the roads is very soft

31 this day a good deal colder the road are very rough

Feb 1 we went over to Rockwood with the Wool we traded off
93 lb for cloth got 21 st. got 15 lb carded the roads are very
rough

1884

- Feb 2 this day is stormy and cold I went to Guelph with Mary
" 4 this day is very cold I was at the Council Meeting
" 5 this day is very soft it was very stormy last night but it
got quite a thaw all day John went up to the Cullfield Mill
with 10 bags of oats and peas to Chop
" 7 this is a very fine day the sun is strong I was down to
Aberfoyle at James McLean's at a Meeting of the Church
Committee
" 8 this day is dull and soft Hugh Cockburn and
me was going round this part of the Concession
to get Subscriptions to pay a certain debt on the church
" 9 this morning is snowing it turned out a fine day we
went to Guelph with some butter I bought a pair of
Shoes for Lucy and some bran at the Mill 440 lbs
paid 60 cents per 100 lbs I sent a letter to California
" 11 this day is a little stormy Gilfillian and the wife
was here
" 16 this is a fine day I was at Guelph fair with John
James Scott ~~Assessor~~ Man some back for a
young cow I sold to James Scott for 40 dollars
to be paid in June
" 12 this day is very disagreeable cold east wind with soft
hard snow I was down to Marston with the wife and
George Mary

1884

- Feb 12 the wife and I went over to John Murray's in the evening to have tea he paid me for 3 cows to the Bull \$3 25
" 13 a fine day a little soft I went to Buckleys to get Farmer and Roll shod
- " 14 this day is some colder with a high wind and some snow we were at home
- " 15 this is a fine day John and the Girls went over to Mr. Dikins on the third Con in the evening to a party
- " 16 this is a fine day we cut some oats for feed and some wood for firewood
- " 19 this day is very soft quite a thaw I went down to Mr. Leslie's in the afternoon I had some of the harness to Mr. Scott's to get repaired
- " 20 this is a very cold stormy day with a very high wind it rained very heavy last night then changed very cold the roads are very slippery I went to Guelph to get Prince shod at Buckleys
- " 21 this day turned very stormy in the afternoon a very high wind with showers of snow John went to Guelph with a load of wood for Christ Little he had a bee of ten teams
- " 23 this is a fine day Mother and I went to Guelph with the cutter John and Mary went with the Dutch team

1884

- Feb 23 John went up to the Mill with 7 bags of Oats to chop for the cows he went in to Guelph with Doll the Mare to let the ~~person~~ see her she is sometimes lame I went out to the Freight Station to enquire about some wine that Brother John sent from California it was there and three cases of canned fruit 6 cans it was shipped from California about the first of last August and we never got it till now it came to Guelph in December last but I did not get any notice there was about 300 lbs I paid 3cts per lb Duty there was 38 Gallons of Wine I paid 55 cts per Gal Duty and \$1⁵⁰ for freight that was an extra charge
- " 25 this day is milder it snowed a little in the morning it was very cold yesterday I went in to Guelph for the canned fruit and some of the wine I did not get on Saturday Mother came home she has been in Guelph since Saturday stopping with Duncan Graham
- " 26 this is a very mild day it snowed a good bit last night and this morning Mother and me went over to Beverley to visit Bella Gilliland her Father and Mother went with us we stopped all night at W Gilliland's
- " 28 this has been a terrible stormy cold day snowing and blowing it drifted the roads badly
- " 29 this is terrible cold day the roads are very badly drifted

1884

- March 1 this is very severe cold day it is very cold I went out to Old Mr James Blacks in the afternoon to get him to sign his will he is very poorly he is ill bed
- " 4 this is a very cold day very severe frost I went over to James Geanies Sale I bought a set of wooden harrows and paid \$3.⁷⁰ for them Duncan Mr Fenzie brought them home with him
- " 5 this morning was very frosty we went to Guelph fair with 3 cows there was 2 of them belongs to George we sold Georges 2 the heifer new calved got \$35 the other wont calve till July got \$20 our own we did not sell there was a great many at the faire
- " 6 This is a very fine day the sun is strong and clear there was one of the fat lambs died last night our folks went up to Robert Amoss in the evening to a surprise party
- " 7 this day is sort of raw and cold it snowed a good bit last night I went up to the Model farm in the afternoon
- " 8 this is a terrible stormy cold day it snowed and blew the wind from the North East John is not well
- " 10 this is a very fine day frosty in the morning and warm though the day the roads are bad
- " 12 this is a fine day but the roads are very bad they are soft where the snow is deep it rained yesterday

1884

March 12 I went into Guelph with a load of potatoes 18 bags, got 75cts per bag, and 3 bags and a Bushel of apples, got \$1⁴⁵ per bag I bought 2 bushels of clover have to pay \$7⁵⁰ per Bushel and a half Barrel of herring paid \$3⁵⁰ and 25 lb of cattle food Paid \$1.⁵⁰

" 15 a fine day we went into Guelph with 16 bags of Potatoes got 70 and 75 cts per bag and one bag of apples got \$1⁴⁵ per bag a calf skin and 2 sheep skins got \$2.⁵⁰ for them

" 17 went up to the Mill with 10 bags of oats to scoop and went in to Guelph to return the herring and get another half barrel I went down to visit James Scott in the evening the Mrs was there

" 18 went over to N Morris and Duncan Morrisons

" 19 this day is dull and soft I went over to Galt with Georges Mary to see her Friends she had the children

" 20 this is a fine day we got home from Galt all right

" 21 this is a very warm day the snow is going fast

" 22 this is a fine day warm the sleighing is very bad into Guelph we went in with 8 bags of potatoes for William Taylor of Nicoll got 70 cents per bag bought 100 lb of oatmeal paid \$2.²⁵ it rained at night Robert Amos and Margaret was down

1884

March 24 this is a fine warm day John Gilchrist came
to cut some firewood

" 25 this is a fine warm day I went to Guelph with
the wagon Georges Mary and the Children
Started away to go home to Manitoba she went
on the 2 o'clock train she paid \$26¹⁵ for
her ticket I paid Puderson \$15 for 2 B clove.

" 26 this day is very soft it rained light all day
nearly I was mending shoes

28 this is a very fine day the girls and me went in
to Guelph to meet Mrs Stewart her and Mrs
Pattison came from Port Huron

" 31 this is a very fine day I was at the County
Meeting the roads are very good

April 1 this is a fine day but a little raw there was
a shower of snow last night it is snowing
tonight we were at the Seed Show at Kitchener
I got the first Prize for Barley
first for Potatoes Second for Spring wheat
I sold the wheat for \$1²⁵ Barley 80cts
Potatoes from 75cts for Early rose 90 for
B Hebron and \$1 for White Elephant
it was a very good show

1884

April 1 James Golightly commenced to work at noon
he is hired for 7 months at 18 Dollars per month

" 2 this morning is very stormy windy out of the east with some snow then it rained and freezed
the men is hauling home wood with the sleigh
this is Guelph Fair day but we did not go in to it

3 this is a fine day but very cold we went to Guelph
with Mrs Stewart to meet Mr Bailey to
Settle about the farm we sold to him and
he was to pay for it today

" 5 we went to Guelph with Mrs Stewart and
her Daughter Mrs Patten of Port Huron
She is going to live with Mrs Patten

" 6 Sunday a fine day but very cold
Mother and we went to see Margaret's Baby

" 7 a fine warm day but cold at night I went
to Guelph to meet Mr Bailey we got all
the business settled and gave him his
deed he paid me over \$3000 and I deposited
it ⁱⁿ the Guelph Savings Bank in interest

8 this is a cold morning hard frost it snowed about
two hours after ten o'clock Mother and I went out
up to Mr Tomes Laidlaw then to R Moses

1884

April 9 this day is milder but frosty in the morning the roads are very bad I came home from Robert Amoss I went down and Paid John Smith \$17¹⁰ I was at old James Blacks on business

" 11 This is a fine day we were sawing firewood with the circular saw we had a fine day sawing of wood

This is a fine day I went to Guelph with some butter 12 lb got 24cts per lb some eggs 13cts and a bag of Apples got \$1²⁰

14 this is a beautifull fine day but is frosty and cold at night John went up to the Arkell Mill with a grist of 11 bags of wheat 23 Bushels 17lb got home 861lb flour or 37 lbs to the bushel

15 this day is frosty it sonnened to rain a cold east rain in the morning it rained a little the most of the day but not heavy it got warmer towards evening

10 this a fine day but a cold air frosty in the mornings we cleaned up the Spring wheat 39 $\frac{1}{2}$ Bushels altogether sold 10 bushels at the seed show \$1²² 12B to P Bealey \$1²⁰ 7B to C Little 7B for ourselves

16 this day is very disagreeable it sort of drizzled and rained I went to Guelph to the Horse Show had some butter got 24cts per lb the men commenced to Plough

1884

- April 17 this is a fine day the ground was white with snow this morning but it soon went all away John went up to the Mill with 10 bags to chop 6 of oats and 4 mixed Pat Bailey got 12 bushels paid \$1 20 per Bushel
- " 18 this is a fine day the men is Ploughing I went over to William Gilliam I had a bag of Potatoes
- " 19 this day is warm we were cutting oats there and straw and the big wheel of the Harrow lifted up and the horses run away and broke part of the horsepower I went to Guelph and some butter got 22 sts per lb
- " 21 this Morning was very cold hard frost John went to Guelph for a load of salt for the land he brought home 2335 lbs at \$5 $\frac{1}{2}$ per ton got 200 lbs of Plaster 70 sts got some mettle for the horse Power paid 75 sts at Crows Foundry
- " 22 this is a fine day but very frosty in the morning John comenced to Gang plough the Potato land I was fixing the roller one of the sows piggy on Sunday Morning had 3 there is only one now
- 23 this is a fine warm day frosty at nights I was sowing salt on the Spring wheat land John comenced to sow the Spring wheat Charley Evans got 3 B bags out paid \$1 25

1884

April 24 this is a fine warm day John finished Sowing the
Spring Wheat $7\frac{1}{2}$ Bushels White Russian

" 25 this is a fine day John commenced to sow the Barley
in the back field

" 26 the weather is dry cold at nights John sowed $3\frac{1}{2}$
Bushels of Barley in the back field

" 28 fine weather we sowed 2 Bushels of Barley in
the Oats field Christ got 6 Bushels of Wheat

" 29 commenced to sow the Oats in the field this side of
the creek I sowed the Onions in the garden and
planted some pitched up the black salt in the
harrowes for the first time she goes well

May 1 this is a fine warm day frosty at night we got a bag
of Barley 118 lb from Kenneth Mc Tengie and a
B Bushels and 11 lb from John Murray paid
Murray 65^{cts} per B

2 we had some rain last night it was warm this
morning but is got dreadfull windy and cold
before noon we planted some maple trees
along the back fence at the concession I sowed
some Salt in the evening on the Barley land
this morning is cold sowed some Barley we went
to Guelph with Butter and eggs got 22 st 14 cts

1884

- May 5 this morning is dull and soft it rained a lot last night I went to Guelph for Carter the Ferrier to see Doll the mare she is sick with inflammation on the lungs John finished sowing the Barley 18½ Bushels got the big field in this side of the creek all sown 18½ Bushels Barley 20½ B oats 4 B peas
- " 6 this is a fine growing day Tim is ploughing sod and Robert is Gang ploughing the little field at the creek John is picking fence posts
- " 7 this day is soft it sort of rained in the morning then it started to rain afternoon not very heavy all afternoon we went to Guelph fair with a load of Potatoes 18 bags 7 bags of the white Elephant 11 bags of Beauty of Hebron got \$1.10 for the Elephants 80cts per bushel Hebron we bought a bag of American Potatoes of the rose variety paid 90cts bought 6¾ bushels of Peas paid 80cts per B got 2 bags of shap done Peas and oats paid 10cts per Bag
- " 9 it has been very soft these two days rained a good bit both days
- " 10 this day is raw and a little cold finished the sod and sown 4 bags of Peas I grafted about 40 grafts some Nelly Fling of Lounkin and Baldwin

May 12 this is a beautifull fine day things are growing
fine finished sowing th Peas all th land that is
ready there is a peice down in the corner of the
field is too sweet yet th Boys comenred to plough
th Back field next Mr Fenzies John is at John
Smiths house raising a log house th mare
Fannie's leg is very bad swelled and very hott
I am bathing it with cold water

- " 13 this forenoon is cold with an east wind it rained
a good part of th afternoon Robert was rolling
till it rained
- " 14 the sow piged she had 5 pigs 2 Died
- " 15 this was a fine warm morning till noon we had
a shower then about 3 o'clock we had a great
storm thunder and rain and a terrible wind
David Bradshaw came down to tell us that
Margarets Baby was dead it Died this morning
it has be had for about two months
- " 16 this day is very cold all day we were up to
Robert Amoss to th Babys Funeral John
sowed some oats in th Back field he has got
th little field at th creek sowed with oats
Robert and Mary is sick they are taking th Meaw
ells

- May 17 this is a fine day I went to Guelph with Butter & eggs
13cts for the Butter and 14cts for the eggs I bought a Bushel
of corn paid 85cts 40lb of Pea meal for the Steers paid
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cts per lb John finished Sowing the Oats
we are all but a corner in the Pea field it is wet
.. 19 this is a fine growing day some light showers through
the day but it rained very heavy at night James
is hauling dung for the Potatoes I finished rolling
the fall wheat in the morning
- .. 20 this morning is very wet it has rained the most
of the night Fannie polled last night and the poll
was dead she polled before the time John is sick
- .. 21 this is a fine day I was pruning apple trees
- .. 22 this is a very fine day the two Girls and the two Boys
are in bed with the measles Tis sick yet
- .. 23 this day is very warm we went to Guelph with
Butter and eggs got 15cts for the Butter 14 for the eggs
I had a Bag of potatoes for Mr Buchanan got \$1
- .. 24 we were at Margaret Glens Funeral Jane is bad
with the measles
- .. 26 we have fine warm growing weather every thing
is growing fine I was at the Council meeting
we sowed some Peas and a little Oats

1884

May 26 the two Steers went away today we took them to Guelph they weighed 2280 lb

" 27 this day is a little warmer we commenced to plant the Potatoes I was cutting Potatoes all day Mother is sick

" 28 this is a very cold day we took the Bull to Guelph he is gone off to London I sold him and the Steers to Edmonad Gray the Bull weighed 2165 lb I got 5½ st per lb the Steers weighed 2280 lb at 6¾ st per lb

" 29 this Morning is very cold and frosty this is the last day

" 30 this day is a little warmer W' Rae and me was examining the Roads

" 31 this is a fine day we were at the Roads in the forenoon and at the Council meeting in the afternoon

June 1 this is the Sacrement Sabbath

" 2 this is a fine warm day I was down to Leslie's

" 3 this is a fine warm day I went over to D Smiths to see a Steer that is laying there thence I sold then I went to Guelph to the County Council Meeting finished planting Potatoes

" 5 the County Council went up to the Poor House

1884

- June 5 then went out to the Model farm in the evening
- " 7 this is a fine warm day we finished the County
banquet we were 5 days out \$11 I bought a new
hat from Stewart paid \$2 bought a tube for
Janet Amos paid \$1
- " 9 this is a very warm day till 4 o'clock then it got very
cold it started to rain in the evening and rained all night
we clipped 42 sheep we had John Hardy helping
- " 10 this morning is soft and some rain we were over
to the other side of the Township letting jobs on the
Roads
- " 11 we were letting jobs on the Roads John went to
Aberfoyle to Mrs Thomas Tugram's Funeral the Doctor
was up to see John's Mary she is not well
- " 12 this is a very warm day it is a fine growing day
the Doctor was here tonight to John's Mary
- " 14 this is a fine warm day we were at Guelph with some
Wool sold it for 18cts per lb for long wool and 25cts for
short wool we sold 89lb long 7lb short sold 4 bags Potatoes
for 73cts per bag
- 13 I went over to the planing Mill in Karragaweya
to get the flooring planed for the Kitchen floor paid ~~\$1.00~~
~~\$1.89~~ for 300 feet I went up to the Druggist to get some
teeth pulled

1884

June 16 this is a very warm day I went down to Ollerbygyle
in the Morning to see Christ Littles Sheep Weighed
25 sheep weighed 40 50 lb we commenced to sow the
turnips

" 17 this day is very warm and dry Tim is ploughing the
Summerfallow it is very hard John is drilling

18 this is very warm weather we had a small shower Gelpillan
and the wife was here Fannie the Mare got the Horse
Bibes young Englands Glory

19 we went to Guelph with Mother and the Girls to get
some dresses we had the colt for the first time

" 21 this day is warm we went out to Ollerbygyle to let some jobs
on the roads on the 5th Con near the new bridge

22 we had a Special Meeting of the Council in the even-

" 24 this day is very warm there was a heavy thunder
shower Mother and Me went up to Bells
corners to see Susan and John Little

" 25 we had a fine rain all forenoon here but very
little at Bells corners

" 26 we went over to Harriston to see William
Florrocks we called at Mount Forrest

27 we were at the great Reform Meeting
at Harriston to hear Mr Blake and others

1884

June 28 this is a very warm day we got home from Flas-
iston 24th John finished sowing the turnips
.. 30 this day is very warm Alfred Howitt was here
taking the level for some ditches on the sideline
we were with him

July 1 this is a very warm there was some showers we
rained in the evening I went over to the 3rd concession
to examine a job on the roads then I went to Guelph
to see the Calidomians dancing

" 2 we had a warm dry day I took out two of the
Buggy wheels to get the tyres set

" 3 we had a fine rain I went out for the wheels

" 4 it rained nearly all the forenoon it is fine growing
weather John started to cut the ^{hay} he went a few rounds

" 5 there was some showers we went to Guelph

" 7 this morning was very cold and windy John
commenced to cut the hay

" 8 this is a fine day we are busy at the hay Robert
was at Christ Littles raising hay we got
in one load of hay

" 9 this is a very fine day we got in 4 loads of
hay I went to Rockwood with 1 ~~18~~ lb of wool
was docked 9 lb 13 1/2 at 21 st in goods \$ 2 90

1884

July 9 I went from Rockwood to Guelph we bought
two bags of Salt paid 70cts per bag we
bought a 100 lbs of Oat Meal at Rockwood \$2.
paid \$2.50 per 100 lbs

" 10 this is a very fine warm day I went over to the Con
to see a job on the road at Pat Mc Gars Rose was the

" 12 this day was showery we did not do any thin at
the hay except cut a little we have had a very
fine week for the hay untill today we went to
Guelph with some butter I bought 2 lb of
Paris Green paid 65cts

" 14 this is a good ~~hay~~ day James Golightly is not able
to do much with a kele on his arm Bob Dunn
was helping us in the afternoon I was at the
Council Meeting in the afternoon

" 15 this is a fine day but very cold for the season
it has been very cold since Saturday John
finished cutting the hay 27 acres all

" 16 this day is dull and cold commenced to Scupel and think

" 17 this day is clearer and warmer raked up some ~~hay~~

" 18 this is a fine day we finished hauling in the hay
28 loads of splendid hay big loads I went to Guelph
with Jane to Meet Christ Little from the old town

1884

- " 19 This day is dull and cold it has been very cold all week we went to Guelph with butter and eggs and some black currants I went up to Waterloo with the 10 O'clock train I paid 85cts for a return ticket and 15cts for the bus from Berlin to Waterloo
- " 21 They are busy at the turnips James commenced to plough the summer fallow the second time I was cutting thistles in the pasture field
- " 22 This morning was dull and misty then it cleared up and got very warm I went to Guelph for some fixings for the reaper I did not get them
- " 24 This was a fine day we had a fine light shower in the evening I went over to see a job on the road near Pat Mc Gans in the evening John commenced to cut the Barley at the back field
- " 25 This is a fine day James is cradeling the Barley in the Orchard John is putting paragreen on the Potatoes the Boy finished cleaning the turnips I was cutting thistles in the pasture field
- " 26 This is a warm day we went to Guelph with Butter eggs and Black currants John commenced to cut the fall wheat hauled in a load of Barley
- 28 A very warm day finished cutting one field of wheat

1884

July 28 hauled in 3 loads of Barley

" 29 hauled in 2 loads of Barley and cut 5 acres of
Barley

• 30 this is a very warm day we finished cutting the
fall wheat and some Barley I went to Abberfyle
le with the wagon wheel to get the tires set

This forenoon has been very soft it has rained
since daylight and all forenoon I went
to Abberfyle for the wagon wheel paid
McIntyre 50 sts for 2 tires

August 1 this is a fine day John finished cutting
the Barley

" 2 this is a very fine day we hauled in 7 loads
of Barley and 5 loads of fall wheat

" 4 we had some rain last night this was a fine day until
about half past 4 O'clock then we had a very heavy
rain for about 2 hours we got in 2 loads of wheat before the
rain Mother and Me went in to Guelph the time
of the rain it rained nearly all the road Johns Baby
Annie May McFarlane Died about 2 o'clock she
was bad about 30 hours with infant Colera
she was 9 months old we got a cappin in Guelph
the cappin cost \$9 Shroud \$1 scraped box \$1 20

1884

- Aug 5 this day is Showery John's Baby was Buried today
- " 6 this is a very fine day I went over to Waterloo to get the crooked shaft fixed I got a new one paid \$2.50 the boys got in 8 loads of Wheat in the evening they wrought till near 11 O'clock it looks like rain
- " 7 this is a very fine day we got in all the Barley 17 loads it was a very good crop we got in all the fall wheat except the raisings there is 21 loads in I was horse raising Mary went up with farmer to Robert Adams to help with the thrashing
- " 8 this is a very fine day we got in 2 loads of wheat raisings we have 23 loads of fall wheat I went over to the Puslinch Lake with the two girls to the Guelph riot clan picnic
- " 9 a fine day we went to Guelph with Butter & eggs
- " 11 this is a very warm day we cut the Spring Wheat Tim was at John Smiths thrashing I gave Robert Black \$10 in part payment for plank for the Caulfield Bridge
- " 12 this is a very warm day I went up to Caulfield Mill with some wheat there was 20 bushels for a grist and 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ bushels to sell got 82 cents per lb it weighed 55 lb to the Bushel

1884

- Augt 13 the Boys is at the turnips Tim is at W McFenzies
thrashing I went up to the Mill for the grist
- " 15 we have very hott dry weather it is terrible hott
we were thrashing half a day in the afternoon we
thrashed 150 Bushels it is very good wheat
- " 16 this day is very dry and warm we got the ~~Spring~~
wheat all but the raisings in 7 loads
- " 18 this day is very warm we got in a load of wheat
raisings we had 8 loads of Spring wheat it was
a very fine crop we commenced to pull the peas
- " 19 We took the lambs from the ewes the men is pull
ing peas
- " 21 this is a very warm day at the Peas
- " 22 this is a very warm day we hauled in 6 loads of Peas
~~John is at Elgin and thrashing~~
- " 23 we had a light shower this morning we went to
Guelph with some apples got 75cts for some
and 50cts for one some butter and eggs we commen
ed to cut the oats
- " 25 this morning is cool we cut some oats I was at
the Council Meeting in the afternoon John
is sick he is not able to work he went to the Doctor
- " 26 a fine day hauling in Peas

1884

Aug 27 this is a fine day I went up to Fergus to a meeting of reformers to make arrangements for the Macawat reception

" 28 this a fine day had some rain in the evening we were at Aberfoyle at the Seed Show we had 10 bushels of Lawson Wheat and ten of Democrat wheat I got the 4th prize for the Democrat and sold C B Zoll at \$1 per Bushel we were at Miss McTutys Funeral

" 29 we had a great rain last night James is at Marry's thras
King Robert commenced to plough for wheat

" 30 we had a very heavy rain this morning but it turned out a fine day after 8 o'clock we went into Guelph with some Butter and eggs John commenced to cutt the Oats in the back field next orchis

Sept 1 this is a fine day the folks cutt the oats in the back field Judge Chadwick shot Mr Colson of Guelph in the face back in the swamp he is very bad

" 2 this is a fine day we hauled in 12 loads of oats

" 3 this is a very fine day we hauled in 3 loads of oats and 2 loads of peas got all the Peas in 25 loads a fine crop

" 4 this is a fine day we commenced to plough for the fall wheat we hauled in the oats in the back field next orchis 10 loads a fine crop we hauled them in to the back barn

1884

- Sept 5 very warm today the men finished ploughing the
little field at the concession
- " 6 Sowed the field at the concession 7 Bushels
- " 8 this is a fine day I was at a meeting of Reformers at the
Townhall Guelph to appoint Delegates to the demon-
stration at Toronto to welcome the Hon Oliver Mowat
I was Chairman there was a good meeting
- " 9 I went to Guelph this day is very hot we finished
cutting the oats in the field at the creek the oats is
all cut but half an acre of late oats
- " 10 we had a shower yesterday evening sowed 12 bushels
of Demosrato wheat in the big field
- 13 this is a fine day finished Sowing the wheat we sowed
19 Bushels Lawson and 12 Bushels of Democrat whe-
I went to Guelph with a load of wheat 39 B 20 lb
got 82 st A weighed 62 lb to the Bushel
- " 16 this is a fine day John and me went to Toronto to the
Mowat Demonstration and to the Toronto Fair there
was a terable crowd of people in Toronto
- " 17 a fine day got home from Toronto about 10 O'clock
at night Mother has been bad with her throat
- " 19 a fine day we were thrashing with the Steamer
about 3 hours in the afternoon threshed 290 B

1884

- Sept 20 it rained some last night nearly all night but not heavy we thrashed a all day something over ~~400~~⁹⁰⁰ bushels
248 fall wheat 130 spring 452 Bushels fall wheat 140 bushels peas 341
" 21 frost this morning cool all day Barley
" 22 this is a very wet day it has rained very heavy all forenoon and we have 5 Acres of Oats out yet it rained nearly all day
" 23 this day is dull and dark we thrashed the Barley the second time 341 Bushels it rained in the afternoon
" 24 this is a fine day I went over to the 7th Con to see a job ^{road}
" 26 this is a fine day we hauled in 5 big loads of Oats
" 27 this is a very wet day it rained nearly all day we went in to Guelph with Butter got 22 cts per lb 17cts for eggs
" 29 a fine day but dull I was at the Council Meeting we commenced to Dig the Potatoes
" 30 this day is dull and light showers I went to Guelph with some things for the Show I sold 2 bags of Apples got 140 cts per bag I then went Old James Blacks sale
- Oct 1 this is a fine morning got in a stack of Peas but it rained in the afternoon I was at the Apples
" 2 this was a very wet day it rained nearly all day lightly John and me went to Guelph Show it was a bad day for the Show I did not get any prize

1884

- Oct 3 this is a very warm day I went over to James Anderson's Sale I bought a Shearling South Down ram paid \$9 for it
- " 4 this day was warm with some showers in the afternoon we went to Guelph with butter & eggs I then went to James Anderson's to get the ram I then went down to Thorpey to have some of the Scott Ostracaversers
- " 6 this is a fine day they are busy at the Potatoes Mr Rae and me were letting a job of Pitching on the road
- " 7 this is a fine day we went up to Robert Amoss with William Horracks he was down on a visit
- " 8 we went in to Guelph with a load of Barley 50 Bushels got 60 cents per Bushel it got very wet and cold in the afternoon John Little and Susan and the children came down in the evening
- " 9 this is a very fine day we were at the Parisich Show we had some thing at it and got a few prizes
- " 10 John commenced to plough the Potatoe land
- " 13 this is a fine day we had a lot of rain yesterday morning John Little and Susan went home John finished Ploughing the Potatoe land we had a good crop some nine or ten loads I sent a letter to California

1884

October 14 this is a fine day but cold frosty in the morning I received a telegram from my Brother John from California last night Annie is very sick I intend to start off to California tomorrow if all is well John went in to Guelph with a load of Barley 49 bushels got 58 cents per bushel it came to \$28 75 I bought a trunk paid \$2 75 and a pair of salt Boots paid \$4

" 15 this is a fine day John went up to Kardner with a load of apples 23 bags to make cider Robert Amos is to Boile it and make Apple butter I started off to California on the Grand Trunk Railroad at 3 o'clock PM I got as far as Sarnia before dark

" 21 I arrived at Sacramento at 7 o'clock this morning had to remain there till 11⁴⁰ o'clock then I went on the train to Galt 24 miles got there at 12⁴⁰ I received a Telegraph yesterday at Kinneuccey from my Brother that Annie Died on Sunday the 19th I arrived in time for the Funeral it took place imediately after I arrived in Galt

24 my Brother John and me started for San Francisco at 12⁴⁰ PM we got there at dark we stoped at the Grand Hotel we remained till Monday Morning

1884

October 27 we arrived at Galt back from San Francisco at
one O'clock

31 I left Galt at 9 O'clock AM for Sacramento on my
way home to Canada we got to Sacramento at 100.
Brother John come with me to Sacramento I remained
there until half past seven then started on the train
to cross the Mountains for home the Weather has been
very warm all the time I have been in California
Brother John returned home with the 6 O'clock train
I started on the express train at half past 7 O'clock in
the evening I was to go on the express until I would
overtake the Emigrant train that left in the morning
I had an Emigrant ticket paid \$64⁵⁰ for it

Nov 1 I left the Express train at Truckee at 5 O'clock
in the morning and waited till 6 O'clock on the
Emigrant train.

" 3 I got to Ogden in the morning at 7²⁵ O'clock we
changed cars and started at 10¹⁵ O'clock

" 5 we started from Council Bluff at 1⁴⁵ O'clock on
Chicago and Rock Island railroad

" 6 we got to Chicago at 7 O'clock left at 9³⁰ for
Detroit got there after dark on the Michigan
Central then we started on the Great Western

1884

Nov 4 I got to Harrisburg at one o'clock in the morning
had to stop until 10³⁰ o'clock AM got to Guelph
at 11⁴⁵ o'clock AM got home in the evening
the folks at home had the sweet turnips all in
loads there is some Gray stone to take in yet they
have had very cold and wet weather at the
turnips I had fine dry weather on my way home

" 8 we went in to Guelph to get my trunks but I did
not get them

" 10 I went in to Guelph got my trunks and 3 cases of
Canned fruit from California I paid over \$9
for Duty and \$3 63 for freight the freight
was paid in California \$4 86 they still claim
\$4 9

" 12 we went in to Guelph with John and Mary we
purchased tickets for California from Mr Gales
paid \$1 83 for the three \$9 less than the Grand
Trunk

" 13 John and his Wife Mary and little Janet and
our Mary started for California we went
down to Soshaw Station on the Credit Valley
railroad with them they started at 3 o'clock
PM C Little R Amos Robert J Linn and my
self went to see them off

1884

- Nov 15 this is a fine day we went in to Guelph with some butter
- " 17 I went away to hunt for a man to hire Robert was
a Sandy, Flinings thrashing Edward at McHenry's
- " 19 we went to Guelph to settle with the Railroad
agent about some canned fruit from California
There is some mistake about th freight
- " 20 John Gilchrist commenced to work here this morning
he is hired for \$13 50 per Month for the winter
- " 21 William Beattie from Dumfries and his wife work here
- " 22 we went in to Guelph with 3 bags of fall apples got
60 sts per bag and some butter got 20 sts per lb
- " 24 this is a very cold day we had a very heavy rain
yesterday Morning then some snow last night
I was at the Council Meeting the last we
expect this year we received our pay \$40
- " 25 this is a sort of a stormy day snowed some all
day we thrashed some Peas 50 bushels oats 900
bushels we broke th Machine nearly 10 o'clock
we had to quit
- " 26 this day is clear but cold Robert and me went
up to the Mill with 8 bags of Peas and oats
to clean we went to Guelph bought Robert a pair
of Boots paid \$3 25 a coat paid \$3 50 a basket \$5 00,

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Nov 27 this day is mild there is a little sleighing I went to Guelph
yesterday with the sleigh we hauled home 2 loads of oats
from the back barn

- 28 this is a fine day a little frosty it is fine weather for winter
we got all the oats home from the back barn the snow
Decemt this is a very fine day we have a little ^{went to the Boar} sleighing but
not much snow the Boys were at Christ's thrashing
- .. 2 this is a fine day but very frosty at night I went to Guelph
to the County Council I got Fannie the mare Shod
at G. Nicholes paid 80cts
- .. 3 a fine day I went to Guelph with the Buggy it is
fine wheeling at the Council in the forenoon at
Mr W Leslie's Funeral in the afternoon
- .. 4 a fine day at the Council in Guelph
- .. 5 at the County Council I sent a letter to California
to John
- .. 6 this Morning is soft and dull and foggy then
it commenced to rain at noon and rained all after
noon heavy near night I was at Guelph to
the County Council we finished this forenoon
we have been fine day received \$11 I sent
a letter to John Little
- .. 7 this day is wet and raw it rained all forenoon

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- Dec 8 this is a fine day I was out at Sheepayle to a Magistrates Court we got a letter from Mary
" 10 I went over to the Bridge on the sideline between lots 10 & 11 on the 3rd con to inspect a job
" 11 this is a fine day a little cold I was at the Post Office got a letter from John and one from Uncle John
" 11 this day is pretty cold Mr Foyers brought over the Machine to thrash tomorrow
" 13 this is a very fine day we were thrashing they thrashed all the Oats that was to thrash 470 bushels we have thrashed altogether about 800 bushels they charged seven Dolar^s
15 this day is stormy snowed some all the afternoon I was at Mrs Donald Mr Preacher funeral he died on Saturday
" 16 this day is very cold and stormy we went to Guelph with a sleigh load of Lambs 13 that I sold to George Scott ~~for~~ \$3 45 each \$48 45 I sent a letter to California to Brother John
" 17 this is a clear day but very cold Mother and Mrs was back to Fling the weavers I went up to Morays with Elizabeth together lessons

1884

- Dec. 18 this is a very cold day I went in to Guelph to the cattle shaw and fair
- " 19 this is a very cold day it is nearly 30 degr below zero we killed the pigs 8 of them and a heifer we had Christ and Duncan Gilchrist helping us
- " 20 another very cold day Robert and me went in to Guelph with 4 hogs they weighed at home 173 lb 169 lb 234 lb 222 lb got \$6 $\frac{1}{2}$ per 100 lb \$47.78 a hide and 4 sheep skins got \$5 $\frac{1}{2}$ got 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ cents per lb for the hide we left 4 hogs at home they weighed 798 lb and the heifer it weighed 600 lb
- " 22 this day is some stormy I went over to the 7th Con to see a job on the road one of the Sows went to Gilchrist's Boar the other one went on the 29th November
- " 23 this is a fine day I was filling some Apples & Potatoes
- " 24 this day is very cold and stormy we went up to Guelph then up to Robert Amos we stopped all night
- 25 this day is clear and very cold we got home from Roberts then I went to Mrs Peter McLaren's funeral
- 27 this day is milder we went in to Guelph with some apples 9 bags got 80 sts ^{per bag} for 5 bags 60 for the rest some butter got 20 sts per lb got a 100 lb of cattle food paid 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ Dollars
- 29 this is the nomination for Councilors

1884

Dec 29 I was nominated for Reeve and Dep Reeve but
I would not stand I have retired from the cause
it is nineteen years since I entered the Council
" 31 the weather is very soft it rained some this morning the
roads are muddy I sent away ~~old~~ nies bracelets
to Mary to California

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this morning is cold and frosty it was very windy
and cold all night it is calmer now a little snow
this day is very quite we are at home

- " 2 this day is clear and cold
- " 3 this day is very cold I went in to Guelph with
some butter got 18cts per lb
- " 5 this is a very fine day I went down to Morriston
I paid the Doctor Crumack his bill \$4 for one
visit
- " 6 this day is soft it rained in the forenoon but it
cleared up in the afternoon the roads are soft
- " 7 this is a fine day it was windy in the morning and frosty
the roads are bad in the morning we went to Guelph
with a load of Wheat 40 Bushels 35lb at 78 cents
came to \$31.66 it weighed 63lb to the Bushel I paid
a \$100 to David Stinton on a note