John Jardine Sr. (1836-1905) 1872-1874

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The original Jardine diaries are confusing. There are pages torn out, pages inserted, and duplicate pages that he has rewritten. The occasional page has no month or year identified. We have done our best to reorder them and present them in chronological order in this transcript. Readers wishing to work with the Jardine diaries extensively or consult the handwritten pages and their irregular arrangement should consult the original diaries in Archival and Special Collections, University of Guelph.

October the 24 1872 flour to notia the blacksmith two hundred of flour

	\$	cts
at \$3 50 ahundred	7	00
a cord of wood to the blacksmith	1	00
October the 24th		
one hundred of flour to Godfaw	3	50
Trembly and a 11 pounds of pork		66
September the 22 1873		
seed wheat sowed this year		
is 19 x 1/2 bushels at a \$ 1 x 10 cts pr bus {per bushel}	\$21	45
17 bushels of wheat sold	\$21	62 ½
26 this bushels of wheat taken and ground for flour 1×10 cts	\$28	60
16 October the 16 1873		
took one load of wheat to Chatham and sold it there		
was 39 x 49 bushels it fetched my	\$43	75 _{cts}

January the 13 ----- 1874

I went to chatham with a load of wheat x sold it for \$1.80 ^{cts} ahundred bushels 39.52 lbs came to \$43.05

12. ¹/₂ bushels sold to st John came to \$13.75

20 bushels ground agin {again} in flour for my one use at \$1x10 ^{cts} per b comes to \$22 6 bushels of wheat sold to st John agin March the 31 1874 comes to \$7.20

April the 28, 1874 20 bushels of wheat I took to mill agin for my one use and got ground into flour 11 20 12 {Sideways it reads: 8.53 $\frac{5.10}{3.68}$ }

Sold 4 bushels agin it came to {Below it reads: $4x38 \frac{1}{2}$ }

May the 19 1874

I went to Chatham with a load of wheat x sold it for \$1 18 per bushel bushels 27.6 came to \$27.85 cts

APRIL the 1, 1872

1 Monday it is a btful day cold wind James Jardine drawed out ties black ash in the forenoon. John Jardine made black ash in the forenoon in the afternoon maid white Oake ties nine at the railroad frend {friend} of old Trembly hou{illegible}

2 Tuesday James and I maid ties J John Jardine went to see Shampan in the afternoon about som {some} Oats a fine day 3 Wednesday James and J Jardine maid ties all day 12

Gold Ring in a guinea pigs nose A man without manners and wearing fine clothes is like a {illegible} {hog?}

J Tilbury West April 3rd, 1872

Before you marry be sure you Tarry 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 Received from John Jardine for mare The sum off {of} \$125 payment in full up to date

James Jardine \$ March 28th 1872 Six months after date I promise to pay {Henry Richardson} or Bases the sum of \$8 75 Value Received John Jardine Six months after I promise to pay the sum of value received in the day. {J.J.?} Command you may your mind from play {every moment?}

Danube is the name of a River in Turkey 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

Oh! never mind the weather but get out off Double trouble Believe {illegible} Oh! never mind the weather but get out off Double Trouble {illegible} Oh! never mind the weather, but get {page torn} C Command you m {page torn} {sideways it reads: 44 ½}

{Upside-down the page reads the following:} M^r John Jardine Tilbury West Trudell Post Office

M^r John Jardin W. Pembroke County of Renfrew Province of Upper Canada Ont.

Command You Mary Your Mind I lay every moment

APRIL

APRIL the first 1872

1 Monday it is a fine day cold wind James Jardine Drawed out ties black ash ties in the forenoon John Jardine Maid white oak ties in the at the railroad {brunt?} of old {word cut off}

2 Tuesday fine James and I maid {made} ties I went to se {see} Shampan for Oats

3 Wednesday James and I maid ties all day maid I 8 white oak 4 red oak

4 Thursday James Jardine and I drawed ties this forenoon 31 we maid 14 this afternoon of red oak ties

5 Friday we drawed ties in the forenoon in the afternoon we maid 12 ties it is a fine day we herd {heard} the frog sing

6 Satuerday James and I went to the mill with a grist and then plough to the shop in the afternoon we maid ties and 2 black ash and drawed them out, about half past 4 Oclock it began rain and I cut my fool this afternoon

7 Sunday morning it is raining a little all day home to {word cut off}

8 Monday forenoon James sowed grass seed I was {?????} grass seed in the afternoon I commenced to plough James went to the mill for the grist and did not get it

9 Tuesday James sowed grass seed and went to the mill this eving {evening} for the grist I ploughed to day

10 Wednesday James & Cathrine & Mary went to Chatham and I stayed home and fixed up the gats {gates} and the fence

11 Thursday we got our oats home from Champan I ploughed after supper James piled lumber at the {word cut off}

12 Friday moring {morning} there was a big thunder shower before daylight it rained a little this forenoon I plough this afternoon James got whippletree riged {rigged} for his team

13 Satuerday I ploughed with Jane & cat all day James went for shepard with the team to move his stable

14 Sunday we went to church to here Mr {blank space} fine day

15 Monday forenoon ploughed dan and black James Jardine put up the fences that blowed down with the wind on Satuerday the 14 it beings to snow at a quarter to twelve it snowed very heavey for about two hours it a little all afternoon I ploughed in the snow

16 Tuesday I ploughed and went to John Warnock a little while after dinner to put the top logs

17 Wednesday I went to James f dodd raising his driving house and stable and alean to his grainery

18 Thursday I ploughed this forenoon it rains considerable I went to the store after dinner and ploughed after supper with dan and cate round the apples trees

19 Friday I plowed to day in the orchard field fine day James Jardine is working on the railroad this is three days and a half this week one day las week

20 Satuerday I plowed in the forenoon in the afternoon I went to Mary Jane Arkson funeral

21 Sunday we went to church in the forenoon in the afternoon it rained a heavy shower

22 Monday I plowed all day finished plowing in the orchard by the house I plowed 4 loads by the barn

23 Tuesday I commenced to harrow in the lower field nixt {next?} the concession for oats I sowed 6 bushels to night

24 Wednesday sowed 9 ½ bushels of oats finished the lower field sowing and harrowing

25 Thursday forenoon I furrowed it James harrowed the orchard I in the afternoon sowed the orchard with barley twelve bushels and a peck

26 Friday I shovled the furrowes in the lower field by the concession James Jardine plowed in the field by the barn

27 Satuerday I furrow the orchard and plowed ond land in the field by the barn in forenoon in the afternoon I shoveled the orchard furrowed James plowed in the field by the barn all day

28 Sunday I stayed home James & Cathrine went to church

29 Monday I plowed in the field by the barn {Ja road?}

30 Tuesday I plowed to day James is on the railroad

MAY the first 1872

1 Wednesday forenoon it rains I went to the council meeting James plowed in the afternoon

2 Thursday I finished plowing the field by the barn in the forenoon in the afternoon I harrowed in a five bushels of barley 5

3 Friday moving we are all siting {sitting} in the house it is raining pretty heavy it fairs up about 10 Oclock it turns out a butful {beautiful} day I harrowed in the field by the barn sowed 3 bushels barley this afternoon

4 Satuerday {Saturday} I sowed 4 bushels of oats and 2 bushels of barley in the field by the barn and I furrowed about half of the field it is a butful day I have finished sowing grain this spring

5 Sunday went to church to day at half past 10

6 Monday I sowed my flax and finished furrowing the field by the barn and shoveled the furrowed and took my patoes {potatoes} out of the pit

7 Tuesday forenoon I planted my patoes in the afternoon I went down to detroit I went to Mary {Skameon?}

8 Wednesday in detroit and sandwich to day

9 Thursday I came home to day this eving {evening} I began to plow in the new field east side of the barn for corn

10 Friday plowed in the barn field to day for corn

11 Satuerday I plowed in the new pice {piece} of ground east side of the barn for corn

12 Sunday we went to church in the forenoon at half past ten Oclock

- 13 Monday plowed in the barn field for corn
- 14 Tuesday plowed again for corn it is very dry
- 15 Wednesday plowed in the forenoon in the afternoon it is a butful rain
- 16 Thursday I plowed agin {again}

17 Friday in the forenoon I finished plowing in the east field by the barn for corn in the afternoon Archey Gracy and I planted corn James harrowed for me to day

18 Satuerday Archey and I planted corn till about 4 Oclock it began to rain James finished harrowing the corn ground for me in the forenoon went and got dan shod

19 Sunday stayed home no church it all rained all. Satuerday night {O?} it is splendid rain

20 Monday it is showery James is at home to day he brot {brought} home 40 bushels of oats and helped me to clean grass seed I planted 3 & $\frac{1}{2}$ lands of corn

21 Tuesday I finished planting my corn I fixing rails som the fence and drawed som stones out of the field with geney on the crutch and sowed the orchard field with grass seed it is a fine day but cloudey looks very like rain the ground is prety {pretty} sappy every thing is growing very fast

22 Wednesday it rained to day

23 Thursday James Jardine ditched for Richard dodd I ditched for Richard in the forenoon in the afternoon I went to tomas {thomas?} Jackson shop raising

24 Friday in the afternoon I went to the graveyard and fixed up lizzy grave

25 Satuerday in the forenoon I whitewashed the shed in the afternoon I went to William henderson for the sawing machine fine day

26 Sunday we went to church half past ten it came up a thunder storm in the night

27 Monday this moring {morning} the ditches is full of water the ground is very sloppy and wet James and {Potruf?} helped me to saw wood at the door for the stove there is a heavy wind from the west the water has dried up very fast the ditches is pretty low to night

28 Tuesday James {Potruf?} Me to saw wood to day

29 Wednesday James went to the railroad to day and I & Gorge cambel {George Campbell?} we split wood at the door it rained to night

30 Thursday James is home this forenoon we sawed up the skids and put the machine in the barn in the afternoon Gorge & I split wood this afternoon John Jardine

31 Friday Gorge Cambel and I split wood to day at the door we had lots of visters {visitors} to day

JUNE the first 1872

1 Satuerday I went to Mr pools in the forenoon in the afternoon Gorge & I split wood at the door the store and got \$10 pound of tea

2 Sunday we went to church in the afternoon at half past three Oclock

3 Monday Mr Marchel and I shore my sheep Gorge split wood at the door thee old mair foled {the old mare foaled this morning fol {foal} cant stand

4 Tuesday split a little wood planted my beens {beans} and fed the colt and examened {examined} the corn the grubs is cuting {cutting} the corn all of at the top of the ground

5 Wednesday the colt died this morning we split wood at the door to day agin {again} we burried the colt

6 Thursday this morning Gorge {George} and I split wood at the door this forenoon I in the afternoon went to Mr Jonston {Johnston?} stable raising in the afternoon it began to rain to night about 9 Oclock it rained prettey {pretty} near all night James is gon {gone} to Moldon {Malden? Neighbourhood in Windsor}

7 Friday it is raining prettey hard this morning the ground is geting {getting} very weet {wet} this afternon is fine till 6 oclock it is a heavy shower of rain thunder and lighting {lightning} this afternoon I split wood at the door ----- my wheat is begining {beginning} to head out June the 7

8 Satuerday {Saturday} I went to the shop with my plow and harrow this forenoon James is spliting {splitting} wood at the door in the afternoon James and Gorge and I is spliting wood at the door the roads is very slopy {sloppy} and wet

9 Sunday we went to church at half past 10 Oclock

10 Monday James and Gorge and I planted the corn all over agin and pulled dockens {plant also known as bitter dock} out of the barley

11 Tuesday in the forenoon Gorge and I is weeding in the barley I in the afternoon went to James Miller barn raising

12 Wednesday Gorge cambel and I Cultivated the ptotes {potatoes} and puled {pulled} dockens out of the barley

13 Thursday began to hoe my patoes {potatoes} it came up rain so James & Gorge and my self cleaned all my wheat up there is 26 bushels there is 16 bus to goe {go} to Mill for flour and 10 I am goeing to take to chatham when I goe

14 Friday we howed {hoed} our potoes {potatoes} this forenoon I in the afternoon went to John Mcdool {Mcdowell?} shead {shed} raising

15 Satuerday {Saturday} Gorge and I piled manuer {manure} and mowed the frunt {front} walk to day

16 Sunday no church to day at home

17 Monday Gorge and I piled manuer fine

18 Tuesday went to mill with a grist Let potruf have a 11 bushels of wheat at one \$1 40 cts per bushel weight

19 Wednesday I in the forenoon 6,, 60 piled manure I in the afternoon I went to Sam Millet barn raising

20 Thursday in the forenoon Gorge and I piled manuere I in the afternoon went to Jackson stable raising very hot to day

21 Friday Gorge and I finished piling up the manure – in the afternoon we began to cultivated the corn

22 Stuerday {Saturday} moring {morning} Gorge and I was looking for the read {Reid?} cow and her calf then we cultivted the beens {cultivated the beans} and howed som {hoed some} of them

23 Sunday we went to church half pa 10

24 Monday John & Gorge Camble and I howed corn this afternoon Gorge & I cultivated corn in the forenoon, it is a fine day John Jardine

25 Thesday {Tuesday} Mr Camble & Gorge & I finished cultivated the corn and got it all howed to fine wather {weather}

26 Wednesday I went to the lake for a lode {load} of sand I fixed wagon wheelels {wheels}

27 Thursday James & Gorge & I went to the lake and fetched home two loads of sand I in the afternoon went to church after supper we killed buges of the patoes {bugs off the potatoes} fine wheather {weather} hot

28 Friday James & and Gorge & and I went for two loads of sand to stony point

29 Saturday morning I plowed my patoes {potatoes} and went to church at half past 10 oclock howed them

30 Sunday we went to church sacrament sabath

July the first 1872

1 Monday ground our scythe and commence to cut hay here by the house this afternoon

2 Tuesday cut hay in the forenoon James and I went to John Manan sable {stable} raising in the afternoon

3 Wednesday James & I and drawed two loads of hay in to the stable left Gorge & James drawed in hay this afternoon I went to Potruf barn raising in the afternoon

4 Thursday Gorge & I got in two lods {loads} of hay and cathrine & I went up to Mrs pools {Above it reads: to see} Mrs cantlan in the evening

5 Friday I helped James to plow over at dodds

6 Satuerday {Saturday} James & I went to chatham to day

7 Sunday we went to church to day at 3 Oclock

8 Monday Gorge & I ground our scythes this forenoon Marchel comence {commence} to cut my medow

9 Tuesday Marchel & us finished cuting {cutting} my meadow this forenoon Gorge & I covered the ashery well with new logs and bark this afternoon

10 Monday Wednesday Gorge & I raked the medow with the horse raked this forenoon I had Edward Trembly & John Cambel cocking hay all day Gorge & I drawed in this afternoon five loads of hay it is very hot and dry

11 Thursday we got in three loads of hay this draw any more to day, we have cambel to day

12 Friday Gorge & I is raking and turning over the hay this forenoon Gorge and his father & I got in all the hay out of the medow

13 Satuerday Gorge went to the sop with the cradle Mr camble & I reaped wheat this forenoon in the afternoon Gorge drove the machine in the barley and Mr camble and I folowed {followed} behind the machine pushing the barley out of the way of the horses

14 Sunday we went to church at half past 10 oclock it is very hot and dry it looks a little like rain to night

James Jardine commenced work for Jonson on Wednesday at noon July the 10 1872

15 Monday Gorge & Mr Cambel cocked barley and I went to the shop to get a peice of my machine mended drawed in two loads of barley

16 Tuesday Gorge & I drawed in 4 loads of barley and three or 4 dusson {dozen} of wheat and it came up a shower of rain and we cut the hay round the orchard field and mowed a little nixt {next} the road

17 Wednesday we mowed the next of the barley in the orchard this forenoon in the afternoon we cocked barley

18 Thursday forenoon is weet {wet} in the afternoon cocked barley and drawed in three loads

19 Friday drawed in al Ithe barley out of the field orchard field dun {done} at 4 oclock cut alittle wheat this evening

20 Satuerday three of us in the wheat to day

21 Sunday morning it is raining I did not goe to church to day

22 Monday i it is a fine day I cradle wheat and bound it Gorge Camble and I drawed in two loads of wheat after supper

23 Tuesday it rains to day till about 4 Oclock this afternoon Gorge and I cut ten dusson {dozen} stocks of wheat

24 Wednesday I am cradling wheat agin {again} to day till 5 Oclock Gorge and I drawed in two loads of wheat this evening Tomas Marshaw began to bind wheat for me to day at noon

25 Thursday forenoon I finished cuting {cutting} wheat and sirprise {surprise?} oats this afternoon I bound wheat with Tom Marshaw we got in {scribble} one load wheat it came up showe {shower} of rain spoiled this evening work

26 Friday {cease?} Marshaw & Tom Marshaw & I cut the barley by the barn this afternoon

27 Satuerday Tomas Marshaw & I drawed in the wheat to day I bound the surprise oats and drawed them in after dark

28 Sunday we are at home no church to day fine day

29 Monday Gorge & I began to gather the barley it came up a big rain sorm {storm} about 10 oclock it spoilt our barley for to day

30 Tuesday forenoon I mowed the hay round the wheat field and the strip of hay at the head & I turned over the barley to dry

31 Wednesday it is raining to day dowing {doing} nothing it faired up in the afternoon a little I cut my flax seed and tie it up John Jardine

AUGUST the 1 1872

1 Thursday Marshaw & I began my oats we turned over the barley at noon to dry and went at the {Above it reads: oats} rest of the day

2 Friday Tomas Marshaw & Charley shanpang & Gorge Camble & I stacked the barley to day

3 Satuerday {Saturday} us fore are at the oats to day in the lower field by the concession we cut and bound 97 sooks {stooks}

4 Sunday I at home Cathrine went to church at half past three oclock

5 Monday in the forenoon cut oats in the field by the barn in the afternoon charley champan & I drawed in 4 loads of Oats out of the field by the concession

6 Tuesday in the forenoon cut oats and drawed in one load, finished cuting oats this afternoon and bound about 10 dusson {dozen} to day

7 Wednesday election day I went to the shopwith my Cultivater in the forenoon in the afternoon I went to the town hall and give my voat {vote} for Rankin

8 Thursday Gorge & I finished drawing in my oats to day finished harvist {harvest} to day

9 Friday Gorge & I is cuting weeds in the corn to day

10 Satuerday Gorge & I was cuting weeds in the corn

11 Sunday we went to church at half past 10

12 Monday James & I cut weeds in the corn

13 Tuesday this morning it rains heavy it is showery to day we began to draw dung this eving {evening} and cut weads in the corn

14 Wednesday we finished cuting the weeds in the corn and drawed out 4 loads of dung John Jardine

15 Thursday mistake in Wednesday work in place of finishing the corn on Wednesday it was to day Wednesday there was very little dun {done} for it is a wet day it rained a good deal the ditches has conciderable {considerable} water in them and the ground is very soft

16 Friday Gorge & I hawled {hauled} manure out to day we hawled 12 loads into the wheat agin this fall

17 Satuerday {Saturday} I plowed with dan & blak & Gorge haled manuere {hauled manure} with Jane & kate James helped Gorge this afternoon to hall {haul} manure it is fine weather

18 Sunday we went to church in the afternoon at three oclock to here {hear} Mr Mcalmon

19 Monday we drawed manuere {manure} to day

20 Tuesday drawed manuer agin

21 Wednesday we went to mersey to picknic {picnic}

22 Thursday I am alone plowed to day and halowed {hauled?} three loads of manure to

23 Friday went to thrash for Shampan

24 Satuerday finished thrashing for Shampan at noon this afternoon I haled {hauled} out 8 loads of manuer fine weather

25 Sunday we went to church at half past three Oclock in the afternoon

26 Monday morning I plowed two lands and hale {hauled} manure the reast {rest} of the day it came up a thunder showe {shower} about 4 Oclock

27 Tuesday forenoon we finished halling {hauling} the manuere in the afternoon Gorge Cambel haled dirt from the asherrey in to the barn yard and I plowed for wheat

28 Wednesday Gorge is haling dirt and I am plowing to day fine weather

29 Thursday we ar dowing {are doing} the sam {same} to day

30 Friday I finished plowing the field by the ashory {ashery} a little before noon I helped Gorge to hall {haul} dirt the rest of the day in to the barn yard

31 Satuerday {Saturday} I went to thrash for boby vickerman Gorge is drawing dirt in the yard agin {again} to day

SEPTEMBER has 30 days the 1 1872

1 Sunday James & Cathrine went to chu{rch} at half past 3 O I stayed home it is dry weather agin looks a little like rain this evening

2 Monday I finished thrashing for boby vickerman this forenoon in the afternoon I cultavated {cultivated} and James went to the shop with the horses to get shod and did not get it dun {done}

3 Tuesday James went and got the hores {horse} shod this forenoon I cultivated in the field by the barn to day Gorge harrowed in the field by the ashery for wheat

4 Wednesday Gorge & I fine cultivating and harrow this forenoon in the afternoon I went to the shop and got the lampers out of Jane mouth and got my cultivater fixed fine weather

5 Thursday we are doing nothing this forenoon it is raining I plowed in the after noon in the field by the barn

6 Friday morning looking for one of the cows I got one land plowed in the afternoon I went to Jackson to thrash

7 Satuerday thrashed for Trembly

8 Sunday we are at home to day

9 Monday forenoon finished thrashing for Edward Trembly in the afternoon commenced to thrash for my self

A merchant not over conversant with Geography. on hearing that one of his vessels was in Jep Jeopardy coclaimed {proclaimed?}, "Jeopardy, Jeopardy, where's that?"

John Jardine

10 Tuesday thrashed for me to day agin {again}

11 Wednesday forenoon finished thrashing fore me about 9 oclcok in the afternoon James sowd {sowed} 5 bushels of wheat and I cultivated it in Gorge is braking lumps

12 Thursday morning James got about 4 bush of wheat sowed and it came on rain and we in the field by the barn in this afternoon it is raining. to night aagin the ground is pretty soft geting to night Charley Champan is cuting corn to day and James and Gorge is helping him to cut corn this afternoon

13 Friday forenoon I plowed in the field by the barn in the afternoon I cultivated in the rest of my wheat James finished sowing the field by the ashory {ashery}

14 Satuerday I finished furrowing up the field of wheat in the forenoon in the afternoon I & Gorge shovled {shoveled} the furrows out James is thrashing for Rd Charley C. Shampan finished cuting {cutting} the corn to day

15 Sunday James went up to Mr Pools I & Cathrine stayed home to day

16 Monday in the forenoon James went and helped Richard Dodd to thrash I plowed in the field by the barn Gorge is sick to day

17 Tuesday James is gon {gone} to Henery Morrice to plow I am plowing in the field by the barn for wheat Gorge is burning stumps out of my way

18 Wednesday I am plowing in the field by the barn Gorge is at the stumps John Jardine

19 Thursday it is weet {wet} this morning Gorge & I cleaned 9 bushels of wheat and then it faired I commence to plow about half past 9 Oclock I finished plowing the barn field for wheat about half past 2 Oclock I began to sow & Gorge began to harrow I sowed 5 bushels to night in the barn field

20 Friday I sowed 4 ½ of wheat to day {word cut off} finished sowing the field by the barn Gorge finished harrowing it to night it is a butful {beautiful} day very warm

21 Satuerday I finished forrwing {furrowing} my wheat field by the barn this forenoon Gorge & I shovled the furrows this afternoon and drawed in the beens {beans} in to the barn it is a butful day

22 Sunday home to day it rained this morning very heavy there was heavy lighting {lightning} and thunder about half past 4 Oclock

23 Monday showery this forenoon I thrashed my beens {beans} to day they ar {are} very tuf {tough?}

24 Tuesday James and I plowed for Edward Trembly to day for his wheat this is a fine day very like rain to night the wind is south

25 Wednesday I went to the store this forenoon James made an ax handle in the afternoon {Above it reads: I went} out and helped Mr Ricardson {Richardson} to sow wheat

26 Thursday we are fixing the skidway to day and we took the mchine {machine} to the bush we have got it readay {ready} for staking to night

What comes once a minute, twice in a moment, and once in a man's life? The letter M.

27 Friday this morning staked the mchine {machine} and began sawing James is helping me to day and Gorge Camble fine day

28 Satuerday Gorge and I is alone to day sawing cordwood we don {done} big days sawing it rained alittle in the night

29 Sunday this moring {morning} the wind is very high this it is like to blow the house over sometimes

30 Monday Gorge & I {crossented?} som {some} hickery logs this forenoon in the afternoon James & Gorge & I sawed cordwood with the mchine {machine}

OCTOBER the {Below it reads: first} 1872 has 31 days

1 Tuesday Gorge & I sawed cordwood to day with the mchine

2 Wednesday I went to the shop with cate & Jane to get them shod I got two shoes on Jane and cate shod all round it is weet {wet} to day Gorge & I cleaned 17 bags barley this afternoon for to go to chatam {chatham}

3 Thursday it is very like rain this forenoon the roads very slopy {sloppy} Gorge drawed three loads of punkins {pumpkins} & I sharp my saw, in the afternoon Gorge & I sawed cordwood

4 Friday i went to help Sameul {Samuel} Gracey to rais {raise} his graineary {granary}

5 Satuerday Gorge Cambel & I went to chatham with a load of barley

6 Sunday we went to church half past 10 Oclock this morning in the afternoon it began to rain at half past 2 Oclock rain till night the road muddy

7 Monday I did not do much to day I choped {chopped} down a hickory tree for cordwood

8 Tuesday thrashed for mr pool to day fine wheather {weather} to day

9 Wednesday thrashed for Mr pool this forenoon in the afternoon I got two shoes Jane came home and went back to Mr pool agin with James papers

10 Thursday Gorge & I cut a cord of wood and split it and took it up to the black smith and I drawed 5 loads of punkins {pumpkins} up to the fence Gorge went to bobys to a husking be this afternoon James Jardine came home to sine {sign} the papers

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11 Friday this morning James & I went u p to mr pools and sined the papers in the afternoon James went back to kooks corner Gorge & I cleaned 21 bags of barley to go to chatham

12 Satuerday {Saturday} Mr Pool & I went to chatham and put 300 dolers {dollars} in the bank got a check for it and sent it of {off} to Toronto to Mc {blank space} and took a load barley to chatham with me

Every lesson who shall willfully admire, or order other persons to admire with

13 Sunday we are at home to day no minister these times {articles?}

14 Monday moring {morning} diging {digging} potatoes for to take to the fair on the fair on the 15 in the afternoon I went to help Edward Trembly rase {raise} his stable and shed

15 Tuesday we went to the fair surprise oats first prise {prize} 50 cts barley first prise 50 cts beens {beans} 2nd pris 25 cts potatoes 2nd prise 25 cts

16 Wednesday Gorge & I cut a cord of wood with the mchine {machine} for Mr {Melegan?} and took it up to him & Go we kiled {killed} a pig this afternoon

17 Thursday forenoon Gorge & I is looking for my sheep and cleaned a grist of 25 bush Beauty tis a fading flower pull a rose & it will fade in an hour. 123456789,

in the afternoon I went out to the store

18 Friday forenoon found my sheep in the afternoon I husked a little corn

19 Satuerday I went and thrashed for William Jackson with my horses to day it is a fine weather

20 Sunday this is a beautiful morning thre {there} is no church today

21 Monday I took 25 bushels of wheat to the mill in the afternoon I drawed timber for shepard for a culbart {culvert?} on Trembly

22 Tuesday I worked for shepard drawing rails on John were place

23 Wednesday plowing and scraping on William fram {farm?} place for shepard

24 Thursday plowing and scraping for shepard on Jackson crosing {crossing} and on the sideline at Gracy

25 Friday it is raining a little all day Gorge and I husked a little corn, in the afternoon we drawed in 42 bushels of corn it is mudy {muddy} to day

27 Sunday it rains alittle yet it is slopy {sloppy} and nasty about the roads this moring {morning}

28 Monday plowing & craping {scraping} for shepard

29 Tuesday plowing & craping for shepard

30 Wednesday I drawed in my corn

31 Thursday plowing & craping for shepard

NOVEMBER 1872

1 Friday plowing & craping for shepard

2 Satuerday I went to chatham

3 Sunday we are at home to day I am sick

4 Monday this forenoon I am not doing much I was on the railroad looking at the men laing {laying} the tie for the iron NOVEMBER 1875 January 10-1875

Mistake Tuesday the 5 October I hade {had} a ride on the canada GTR across edward Trembly lot up to sideline 18&19

5 Tuesday I went on the railroad to see Mr Curk about a Job of wood that all I dun {done} for it bgan {began} to rain Cathrine & I cleaned up about 12 bushels of oats

6 Wednesday forenoon worked for shepard in the afternoon I went to baptis {baptist} creek with a railroad gentleman for a dollar and a half

7 Thursday I went to stoney point this morning for my appletrees and went up to Samuel Gracy to help him to thrash the machine did not goe {go} well we got nothing {done} only a little buckwheat thrashed to day

8 Friday thrashed for Samuel Gracy to day fine wheather {weather}

9 Satuerday thrashed for Sam to day

10 Sunday home to day cate went to east tilbury with Mrs Gracy

11 Monday thrashed for Sam Gracy till about 1 Oclock we finished it rains a little this afternoon

12 Tuesday plowing & craping {scraping} for Shepard to day fine weather

13 Wednesday this forenoon working for Shepard on the grade at Trembly's crosing {crossing} in the afternoon James & I was drawing in my corn straw fine

14 Thursday forenoon James & I cut some corn hills that was left, in the afternoon we drawed it in and the remainder of the shoks {shocks} that was in the field it is dry but cold it is very like snow

15 Friday James & I is drawing ties acrose {across} the railroad for the company at home here that is in tilbury west on lot 19 in the forth {fourth} concession between a little snow to day

16 Satuerday charley champan & I drawed ties{Below it reads: to day agin} a little snow to day agin

17 Sunday it is a beautful {beautiful} day but cold & raw winds it has frose {froze} very hard these few nights back James & Cathrine has gon {gone} up to the Mrs Graceys this afternoon

18 Monday James & I drawed ties to day

19 Tuesday James & I is drawing ties to day

20 Wednesday drawing ties to day

21 Thursday drawing ties to day

22 Friday we are drawing ties to day

23 Satuerday James & I is still drawing yet

24 Sunday Cathrine Jardine & I went to chruch {church} this moring {morning} preaching at half past ten Oclock this morning

25 Monday James & I is at the ties agin {again} to day

26 Tuesday drawing ties to day

27 Wednesday William fin {fine?} & I went over to the town line to draw ties there over the railroad for the company

28 Thursday William & I is drawing ties to day

29 Friday drawing ties at the town line

30 Satuerday drawing ties to day

DECEMBER

1 Sunday it is snowing very heavy all day

2 Monday this forenoon we ar {are} drawing ties at the townline came home snowed this aafternoon very heavy

- 3 Tuesday drawing ties James & I to day
- 4 Wednesday James & I is drawing ties
- 5 Thursday drawing ties to day
- 6 Friday we finished drawing ties this forenoon for good this time
- 7 Satuerday I went and got my horses shod at the blacksmith
- 8 Sunday we went to church to day

9 Monday we did nothing this forenoon In the afternoon we sawed a few blockes of wood and lifted the machine it is a very cold day

- 10 Tuesday sawing for Richard dodd to to
- 11 Wednesday sawing for dodd to day
- 12 Thursday doing nothing to day only my chores
- 13 Friday choring to day cold wather {weather}
- 14 Satuerday {Saturday} choring cold and dry
- 15 Sunday no church to day
- 16 Monday William fine & I went to the sale at {tebare?}

17 Tuesday finnie & I went out to see my bush farm and to se {see} Mr Mossie for a Job of timber

18 Wednesday the same

19 Thursday William & I went to see the roads where w {we} will draw lines

20 Friday John finnie & I killed a pig to day

21 Satuerday John finnie & I fixed a {???} on the lumber sleigh I went to Stoney point for Shampan bobsleighs

22 Sunday James & I went to church

23 Monday finie {finnie} and I went out to se {see} James Mossie about dawing {drawing} timber and did not se {see} him

24 Tuesday we went out to se Mossie agin {again} we saw him and maid {made} a baraan {bargain?} about the timber drawing

25 Wednesday William & John finnie & I went to the bush to began to draw timber this afternoon

26 Thursday drawing timber out of the bush to day

27 Friday drawing timber to day agin

28 Satuerday {Saturday} drawing timber to day we went to the lake this afternoon with a big stick

29 Sunday at home to day th snow is about a foot & 1/2 deep it looks like rain to night

30 Monday I took the pot to H Honberger to melt snow William went to the shop it snowed most all day nothing dun {done} to day

31 Tuesday John finnie & I drawed timber to the lake to day

January the 1 Newyearsday {1873 presumably} 1 Wednesday we drawed to the lake to day

2 Tthursday we drawed to the lake to day

3 Friday I began to skid H Honberger timber and William finnie drawed out to the townline

4 Satuerday William & I drawed to the town line this forenoon in the afternoon I skided timber on H place Wil drawed to the townline

5 Sunday we went to church to day

6 Monday I skided {skidded} timber all day Wiliam drawed to the townline

7 Tuesday I skided {skidded} timber all day I finished skididing H Hornberger timber to day William drawed to the townline this forenoon in the afternoon James & William finnie began to draw to the lake

8 Wednesday James & Will is drawing to the lake to day I am drawing to the townline

9 Thursday James & William is drawing to the lake to day I am drawing to the townline

10 Friday James & William is drawing to the lake to day I am drawing to the townline

11 Satuerday James & William is drawing to the lake to day I am drawing to the townline

12 Sunday at home to day

13 Monday William & Samuel Moffat drawing to the lake to day James & I is drawing to the townline I went to the shop & to mill I took out 1 stik {stick?} this afternoon

14 Tuesday Wi {William?} & Samuel M drawing to the lake James is skiding Funuf {Phaneuf?} timber to day I am drawing to the townline

15 Wedensday William & Samuel is drawing to the lake James finished skiding David Dewket & Jo fanuf timber this forenoon in the afternoon James helped to finished drawing H Hongerger timber to the townline

16 Thursday we are all isle {ill?} to day it rains hard all day there is lots of water now

17 Friday John finnie & I commenced to draw funuf timber to the townline

18 Satuerday {Saturday} John & James & I is drawing funuf timber to the townline to day

19 Sunday at home to day

James Jardine & John Jardine commenced to drawed timber in 1872 cristmas {Christmas} day we worked way at roadcuting {road cutting} and drawing {squaretin?} up till March the 7 in 1873 then I drawed rails cuts and wood for H Honberger and sawed wod {wood} up to March the 15 in 1873

Now I am home choreing GI taking care of my horses & cattle I rite {write} this in March 1873 on Friday the 21 I am choring yet I have been making posts for a shed and taking care of my catle {cattle} and horses and planting apple trees and peach trees and goosberies {gooseberries} bushes and willow trees and diging {digging} around my plum trees and curn {currant?} bushes and puting {putting} manure around them here by the fraunt {front} of the house and doing a little at my walk from the fumt {front} of the door to the road and ploughed one day in the back field by the concession I have been doing work like this up to May the third 3 and it is not fit to plow yet the ground is weet {wet} spring I am feding {feeding} the cattle yet a little hay night and moring {morning} I rite {write} this the 3 day of may it is raing {raining} this morning it is cold to day it is so weet and cold and backward weather that us farmers can not do any thing to adgvantage {advantage} this spring this day is plowing that I rite about was dun {done} in April the 30 1873 I had to stop because the ground is to {too} soft to plough May the third Gorge finnie & I split cordwood in the afternoon it is fine weather this afternoon John Jardine

May the 4 1873

4 Sunday Catherine Jardine & I went to church in the forenoon & in the afternoon

5 Monday Gorge finnie commenced to work on the railroad & I john Jardine loged {logged} for obby Vickerman may the 4 it is fine weather

6 Tuesday I commenced to plow in the east field by the barn it is fine weather to day plowed all day

7 Wednesday in the forenoon I plowed while I am eating dinner it is raining

8 Thursday morning it rains a little not much it is a cloudy all day now plowing to day the ground is very weet {wet} the ditches is very near full

9 Friday forenoon William Gracey & {Blle T?} & I was fixing the walk frunt {front} of aple {apple} trees & locust trees it is fine all tile night about 6 Oclock it is a heavy rain with lighting {lightning} & thunder the land is very weet no plowing yet

10 Saturday in the forenoon I went over to B Vickerman had my dinner with him in the afternoon I shoveled the furrowes acroce {furrows across} 6 lands that I had plowed to let the water of {off} the ground is very soft it is fine this afternoon

11 Sunday we are at home no church to day it came up a shour {shower} of rain {Below it reads: and hale {hail}} about 12 Oclock it maid {made} the ground weet {wet} water lays on the ground

12 Monday there is white froste this morning it is a fine afternoon the ground is very weet this afternoon i split cordood {cordwood} it looks likes ran {rain} it did rain a shoud in the night

13 Tuesday forenoon it is a butful {beautiful} forenoon I helped Edward Trembley to make two log heap and split som {some} cordwood I split wood in the afternoon to {too}

14 Wednesday the ground is very soft in the afternoon I rould {rolled?} the grace {grass} around the house

15 Thursday I went to the store and up the railroad in the forenoon in the afternoon I plowed in the field by the barn on the east side of the barn

16 Friday plowing to day the ground is very soft

17 Satuerday {Saturday} plowing to day agin {again} fine weather

18 Sunday no church to day it is a butful {beautiful} day the weather is dring {drying} up the water fast

19 Monday I have began to harrow for oats I have sowed 5 bushels & Archey Gracey afternoon I sowed 6 bushels & half & harrowed them in

20 Tuesday I cleaned the furrowes out and plowed the rest of the day & Archey Gracey shoveled the cross furrows

May the twenty in 1873

The canada southrin railaod past {southern railroad passed} through the line with the first passinger {passenger} train one each way daly {daily}

21 Wednesday I finished plowing and sowing & harrowing my oats to day

22 Thursday I planted my patotes {potatoes} to day

23 Friday I roaled {rolled} my oats this forenoon in the afternoon I began to plow in the field by the concession for corn it is dry & hot

24 Satuerday plowing for corn

25 Sunday I am at home to day I am very sick to day cate went to here {hear} Mr {Sott?}

26 Monday I am scick {sick} yet not able to work H Honsberger came along & I got him to plow

27 Tuesday Mr Marchel & I share {shear?} the sheep to day H plowed in the lowe field by the {cut off}

28 Wednesday H Honsberger plowing for corn this forenoon & he is roling it the rest of the day

29 Thursday finished roling this morning with harrowing the rest of the day

30 Friday H Honsberger has finished harrowing & furrowing the corn ground he went home to day about 11 oclock and left my work for I am very sick it is fine weather cold & dry

{Following four entries scratched out and scribbled over}

{31?} Satuerday plowed all day it is dry weather

1 Sunday I am at home I am very sick to day it is hot & dry

2 Monday I am sick to day agin not able to work H Honsberger came along on a visit and he said he could plough for me and he did plough for me this afternoon

3 Tuesday I am prety {pretty} sick to day not able to work H Honsberger ploughs for me agin {again} to day it is hot & dry

31 Satuerday {Saturday} I am sick nothing doing at my corn ground to day

June the first

1 Sunday James & I went to church to day at half past 10 oclock James took me in the buggey to church

2 Monday Tomas Vickerman came & and planted my corn to day I am geting {getting} a little beter {better} I roaled {rolled} my corn ground to day H Honsberger shovled {shovelled} the furrows H Honsberger & I cleaned 24 bushels of wheat all I have to clean

3 Tuesday I & Henry went to the mill with the grist and the blacksmith shop with the plow in the afternoon we went out to Henery with 10 bushels of oats

4 Wednesday forenoon took my old waggon to the shop to get fixed in the afternoon I took the teem {team} out to H Honsberger to plow

potatoes

5 Thursday I went over to Robert Vickerman I saw a spisel {special?} train go west it went very fast I was pretty sick to day Henery has the teem {team}

6 Friday this eving {evening} I am tire & week {weak} Henery has the teem yet

7 Satuerday {Saturday} I am a little beter {better} to day I am kiling {killing} bugs on my patoes {potatoes} to day Henery has the teem yet to day

8 Sunday Catherine & I went to church this forenoon I am killing bugs on my patatoes this afternoon I went down to east tilbury where bradly was working on the railroad to sea {see} about som {some} money did not get any H. H has the horses yet

10 Tuesday this forenoon I went to the shop & got two shous {shoes} on Jane I am not very well to day we had a nice little shour {shower} this afternoon H. Honbergerhas the horses

11 Wednesday this forenoon I kiled som bugs on my potatoes in the afternoon I took Jane the yong {young} mare & drawed slepers {sleepers} & plank for a bridge acrose {across} the ditch to draw manure into the corn field by the concission {concession} H Honsberger has the horses yet

12 Thursday this morning Henery Honsberger fetched home my horses about 8 oclock I went rite {right} up to the blacksmith shop and got 4 shouse {shoes} on them & fetched home my old waggon this forenoon in the afternoon I went after Mr Marchel to com {come} and see my horse

13 Friday I got my horse dockered {docked?} & sold my steers for \$97 this forenoon in the afternoon I bilt {built} a bridge acroose {across} a ditch to draw my manure

14 Satuerday Cathrine & Gorge & Mr Brite & I went to chatham it is hot and dry I bot {bought} myself a new buggy in June 1873

15 Sunday we went to church in the afternoon at half past 3 Oclock

16 Monday H Honsberger commenced to draw my manuere {manure} I am in bed most of the day with a sick feaver {fever}

17 Tuesday I am a little wors {worse} to day with the feaver H Honsberger drawing manure

18 Wednesday H Honsberger drawing manure to day I am still worse to day with the feaver

19 Thursday H Honsberger is loging {logging} for William Henery I am not so bad to day as yesterday

20 Friday henery is drawing manuer this forenoon this afternoon he is plowing two lands here in the orchard for beens {beans} I am fealing {feeling} first rate to day very little feaver only pretty week {weak} W.A.C.K {fauS?}

21 Satuerday {Saturday} H Honsberger & Gorge finnie planted my beens to day picked the bugs of {off} my patatoes & howed {potatoes & hoed} them a little to day

22 Sunday we went to church this afternoon at half past three Oclock Command You May Your mind from play every moment in the {Continues after entry below: Day John Jardine}

23 Monday H Honsberger & Gorge finnie drawed manure to day

24 Tuesday in the forenoon Henery & I went up to the mill in the afternoon Gorge & Henery drawed manuere big rain to night

25 Wednesday Henery went to the mill and this forenoon & went home in the afternoon

26 Thursday Henery & Gorge finnie helped me to loge {log} on the concission {concession} cleaning the way for the fence

27 Friday Henery & Gorge finnie are drawing manure for me to day

28 Satuerday {Saturday} Henery & Gorge finnie finished drawing out my manure to day and Gorge took my horses to Vanbusker for his trunks

29 Sunday went to church and herd {heard} the Rev H Gracey preach to day the Rev H Gracey dispence {dispense} the lord supper

30 Monday forenoon it rains it a butful {beautiful} rain in the afternoon the Rev Henery Gracey and his Lady came and paid me a visit this afternoon

July the first 1873

1 Tuesday Henery Honsberger & I plowed the potatoes and I took Gorge finnie over to the tank he is bound for st tomas {St Thomas} this forenoon in the afternoon Henery & I finished howing {hoeing} my potatoes

2 Wednesday Henery & I cmenced {commenced} to draw the posts for my shead {shed} I finished drawing them this afternoon

3 Thursday in the forenoon Henery & I howed beens {hoed beans} in the afternoon we fixed the mchine {machine} and comenced to cut clover hay

4 Friday Henery he finished cuting {cutting} the strip on the southside of the appletrees this moring {morning} at 9 O {oclock} I cut hay round the fence corners and thissels {thistles} on the railroad Henery went to a ditch sail {sale?}

5 Satuerday Henery drawed rails this forenoon in the afternoon Henery & I raked up one load of clover hay and took it in the barn out Mr John Jardine Tilbury West

6 Sunday we went to church at half past 10 Oclock in the forenoon I went to the dockter {doctor} I feal {feel} worse

7 Monday I am sick Henery cut the rest of the clover in the orchard on the south side of the house and then mowed the fence corners after and around the house to day

8 Tuesday Henery began to cultivate the corn and I mowed a little patch frunt {front} of the doore {door} & shook it out this afternoon

9 Wednesday Henery is cultivatioung {cultivating} corn this forenoon in the afternoon we are raking up hay we got in two loads

10 Thursday Henery & I skined {skinned} the cow & dug a hole & put her in & buirred {buried} hin {him/her?} this forenoon in the afternoon Henery is in the corn

11 Friday Henery Honsberger finished cultivating my corn & beens {beans} to day I am geting {getting} a little beter {better} now it is fine weather

12 Satuerday {Saturday} Henery Honsberger is cradling in the wheat field by the ashery cradling a road round the field for the mchine {machine} reaper

13 Sunday I was home to day cate went to rawley {Raleigh township} with bradley to day

14 Monday there was a greadel {great deal} of thunder & lighting {lightning} & heavy showers of rain all day

15 Tuesday Henery drawing rails this forenoon in the afternoon Henery is cradling wheat

16 Wednesday wecomenced {we commenced} to cut the wheat in the field by the barn in the afternoon about 2 Oclock it came up a very heavy rain stoped {stopped} {Above it reads: us} cuting {cutting} this afternoon

17 Thursday we are cuting wheat in the field by the barn till about 5 Oclock it came up a big shower of rain

18 Friday Henery Honsberger & Henery arenell cradled wheat till to day about 10 Oclock Frank Parmer came in with the mchine {machine} he cut about one aker {acre} in the field by the barn

19 Satuerday {Saturday} we finished cuting {cutting} all my wheat to day about 10 Oclock and got it all bound & set up at noon I had Henery arenell & Henery Honsberger & Gorge finie {finnie} & robert Roland & my Self that is John Jardine baling the mchine binding & shoking {shocking} up the afternoon of this Robart Roland & H Honsberger cut the hay around the field the barn sets in that is the wheat field & oats field

20 Sunday I went to the english church to day

21 Monday robart holand {Robert Holland} & H Honsberger mowed this strip on the east side of the house down by the granary and comenced to draw in my wheat

22 Tuesday drawing wheat to day agin {again}

23 Wednesday H Honsberger took the mchine & began to cut my hay in the field by the consission {concession} for a little while this forenoon we turned in and drawed wheat we got all my wheat in to day & one load of hay in to the barn from here close to the granary

24 Thursday robart is mowing the fence corners Henery is cuting {cutting} {Above it reads: hay} with the mchine I have old dan in the horse rake rakeing the hay in winrow robart & henery is drawing in this afternoon

25 Friday Henery this morning finished cuting my hay about half past 8 Oclock I drove the buggy out to H Honsberger came back and I was Just eating my dinner when the Mr stanton came in with my wifes headstone I had to hich {hitch?} up agin I lost this days work from the harvest

26 Satuerday Henery & I was up and at it this morning by 5 Oclock we got the rouf {rest?} of the hay in the barn before the rain came up then took the hand rakes and raked the field all over and we got it all in the barn to night made a finish of the hay

27 Sunday we went to church this morning at half past 10 Oclock in

28 Monday I have no company to day I am not doing much I am howing alittle tobaco & beens {hoeing a little tobacco & beans}

29 Tuesday I commenced to cultivate corn to day

30 Wednesday cultivating corn to day

31 Thursday I went out to cultive {cultivate} & it commenced to rain I had to com {come} back it rained heavy this forenoon in the afternoon I commenced to plow for wheat in the field by the barn.

August the first 1873 1 Friday plowing agin to day for wheat

- 2 Satuerday plowing for wheat
- 3 Sunday we went to church in the afternoon at half past 3 Oclock

4 Monday plowing to day agin for wheat

5 Tuesday I finished plowing to day the field by the barn west side & went & had a ride on the hand car this evening

6 Wednesday I doing much to day I went up to the blacksmith with my waggon and got the {boten?} fixed

7 Thursday I commenced to cultivated in my corn agin {again} it is very hot wheather {weather}

8 Friday it rained god shour {good shower} this morning I went to the blacksmith with my mairs {mares} and got 4 shous {shoes} on them in the afternoon I finished cultivating my corn

9 Satuerday {Saturday} I commenced to harrow in the field by the barn about half past 10 Oclock I run the harrow tooth in to my in to my big toe that laid me up the billious fevour {bilious fever} came back on me agin I was very sick

10 Sunday my toe is very painful and the fevor {fever} makes very sick to day

11 Monday forenoon I am sick yet in the afternoon I got a good deal better

12 Tuesday I am alittle beter {better} this morning I got help this morning & throwed my horse & cut that wort of {off} dan I am not able to doe {do} anything yet Septe

September the 11 1873 11 Wednesday I am thrashing for my self to day

12 Thursday I finished thrashing to day for my self about 3 Oclock this afternoon

13 Friday I am thrashing for boby {Bobby} Vickerman to day

14 Satuerday thrashing for vickerman

15 Sunday I took James out as far as H Honsberger as he is going back to work to tomas mosey

16 Tuesday finished thrashing to day for John Manan

17 Wednesday thrashing to day for Tomas Atkerson John Jardine

18 Thursday finished thrashing for Tomas Atkison to day

19 Friday thrashing for E Trembly to day

20 Saturday finished thrashing for E Trembly to day at noon this afternoon I pulled my beens {beans} and cut my tobaco {tobacco}

21 Sunday we went to church

22 Monday I sowed 5 bushels this afternoon it rains to day

23 Tuesday I cultivated wheat this forenoon in the afternoon I sowed 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ bushels of wheat to day agin {again} Shepperd is plowing this afternoon

24 Wednesday I finished cultivating the field of wheat on the west side of the barn and furrowing it out Alonzo plowed three quarts day to day

25 Thursday I shovled {shovelled} the croose {cross} furrowes out Alonzo ploughed to day and I 5 bushels

26 Friday I harrowed in 5 bushels of wheat to day and Alonzo ploughed to dya

27 Satuerday I dug my potatoes today and I sowed 2 bushels & a half of wheat & Alonzo ploughed & harrowed to day three quarters of a day I harrowed the rest of the day

28 Sunday we went to the en english in the forenoon in the afternoon we went here {hear} Mr Scotes {Scott's} farewell serman {sermon} to day at three Oclock

29 Monday morning it rains it is a butfull {beautiful} rain I kiled {killed} a sheep & went to the shop with my ploughpoint this forenoon in the afternoon i finished plowing the field on the east side of the barn for wheat

30 Thoday I finished sowing my wheat & harrow harrowing & furrowing & shoveling in the field by the barn finished all complete today

October the first 1873

1 Wednesday I am helping Shepherd to day to hall {haul} rails on the hancar {handcar} and Carrie {carry?} from Gracyes down to my farm for the fence on the railroad

2 Thursday helped Mr Shepherd to fence this forenoon on the railroad in the afternoon I went & helped Samuel Gracy to thrash

- 3 Friday thrashing for Sam Gracey to day all day
- 4 Satuerday {Saturday} working for Shepherd to day at the railroad fence
- 5 Sunday we went to church this afternoon at three Oclock
- 6 Monday working for Shepherd to day
- 7 Tuesday working for Shepherd to day

8 Wednesday worked for Shepherd this forenoon in this afternoon I got my horses shod on the forefeet

9 Thursday I went & helped Mr pool to day to thrash

10 Friday I am helping Richard dodd to thrash to day

11 Saturday I am thrashing for Richard dodd to day agin {again}

12 Sunday Mr Wardon preached here to day he came from bothwal {likely Bothwell, Ontario}

13 Monday James & I cleaned grain for to take to the fair and I thrashed my beens to day

14 Tuesday we went to the east tilbury fair to day 158 109

15 Wednesday we went to west tilbury fair I took first prixe {prize} on wheat first prixe barley first prixe oats and second prixe on carrage {carriage} horses to day

16 Thursday I went to chatham with a load of wheat

17 Friday I went and helped Richedson {Richardson?} to thrash to day

18 Satuerday {Saturday} this forenoon it rains in the afternoon helped Richerdson to finish his thrashing

19 Sunday we went to church and herd {heard} Mr brown preach

20 Monday cathrine Jardine & I went up to Mrs Pools to day it is very winday {windy} to day it beings to rain to night 6 about 6 Oclock

21 Tuesday this morning it is very stormy it rains & snows this forenoon there is two or three inches of snow fell it rains this afternoon there is a greatedeal {great deal} of water fell

22 Wednesday James & I fixed the pig pen for the little pigs & big pigs to faten {fatten} them

23 Thursday it is wet this morning James Jardine & I borded {boarded} up the cow shed & killed this afternoon the roads is muddy

24 Friday I aint doing much these times and I though {thought} I would goe {go} with John skantlen to detroit we went to detroit this afternoon

25 Satuerday I am in detroit to day

26 Sunday I am in detroit to day it rains most all day

27 Monday I am in detroit yet it is weet {wet} & cold to day agin

28 Tuesday we came home to day & it snows very heavy & rains alittle {a little} while we are in windsor the roads from stoney point home is very muddy

29 Wednesday James & I took the sawing machine to the bush & sawed alittle cordwood to day it is a fine day

30 Thursday it rained all day nothing dun {done}

31 Friday it snows very heavy this morning in the afternoon I banked the house & cut logs for a crib for the cows & drawed them to the yard

November the 1 1873 1 Saturday James & I drawed the corn & straw to day into the barn & bilt {built} the cow crib fine day

2 Sunday we went to church it commenced to rain to day noon & it rained heavy till 4 Oclock cleard {cleared} up fine this evening

3 Monday James & I is cuting {cutting} cordwood to day it is a butful {beautiful} day

4 Tuesday James & I is cuting cordwood to day agin with the machine it is a butful day agin {again}

5 Wednesday James & I is cuting cordwood & stovewood to day it is fine wheather {weather} yet

6 Thursday James Jardine & I went & helped Mr Lang with the church at sheating {sheeting?} & shingling to day fine weather

7 Friday I am furrowing out my corn ground it is very soft and weet & James is helping Mr Lang at the church

8 Saturday James went to stoney point with a load of perls {pearls} for Mr Richerdson & I stayed home & put in a gate in the fence below the ashery where I have to pas {pass} through so often for wood this winter

9 Sunday we went to church to day it is fine wheather {weather}

10 Monday I commenced to plough in the field by the house in the orchard in the afternoon I went to the blacksmith and got my horses shod on the hind feet and the ploughpoint sharped & James went to the bush to make ties for Tomas Mosey

11 Tuesday I ploughed this forenoon in the afternoon it is a grate {great} snow storm I husked alittle corn in the barn

12 Wednesday I drawed stovewood out of the bush on the sleigh in the afternoon I ploughed agin there is about two inches of snow on the ground

13 Thursday it is froson {frozen} hard to day I went to stoneypoint with a load of perls for Mr Richerdson to day it is cold

14 Friday I went to stoneypoint with a load of perls for Mr Richedson & fetched back a load of shingels {shingles} & lath {lathe?} for Mr Lang for the church it is cold to day

15 Satuerday {Saturday} it is frosen {frozen} hard this morning but it is bufull {beautiful} sunshine I commenced to plough about half past 9 Oclock the ground dos {does} not plough very good this forenoon but in the afternoon the ground ploughs well the snow is nearley gon {nearly gone} this evening

16 Sunday James & cate is gon to the Methodist church it is a butful day

17 Monday i am ploughted {ploughed} the orchard to day fine wheather

18 Thusday {Thursday} i am ploughing the orchar {orchard} to day it is cloudy it looks like a storm

19 Wednesday it snows all day it is a terrible snow storm slurry there is about 10 inches of snow fell to day gorge cambel & I husking corn in the barn

20 Thursday gorge camble & I is shovling the croose {cross} furrowsing in the orchard to day

21 Friday Gorge Camble & I finishe sovling {finished shovelling} the croos furrows this forenoon this afternoon we killed a pig and filled the stall with straw in the stable

22 Saturday traided {traded} three sheep with R Marshaw for a steer took them and fetched the steer home in the forenoon in the afternoon I am visting {visiting} with Mr Pool here at home this afternoon

23 Sunday no church to day rained this afternoon

24 Monday Gorge camble & I is bilding {building} a shed for my sheep it snows a little to day but it is soft snow

25 Tuesday Gorge & I is working at the sheep shed this forenoon in the afternoon Gorge Cambel went to soneypoint {Stoney Point} & I went to a meeting of the church it is a little colder to day there is som {some} showers of snow

26 Wednesday I went out to the store and finished fixking {fixing} the sheep yeard {yard} this forenoon Gorge camble is gon home this afternoon I am splitting {splitting} wood at the door this afternoon there is a little snow flying around to day

27 Thursday in the forenoon I went to {Votta?} to se {see} if my sleghts {sleighs?} was dun {done} in the afternoon I finished spliting stovewood at the door John Jardine

28 Friday this forenoon atending {attending} to the stock in the afternoon I am spliting {splitting} cordwood in the bush

29 Saturday I am spliting cordwood to day

30 Sunday we went to church to day

December the 1 1873

1 Monday I am geting {getting} a load of wood out of the bush & the cattle from E Trembly fixing for kiling {killing} my pigs tomorrow

2 Tuesday Edward Trembly & I killed 4 pigs this forenoon in the afternoon I am dowing chours {doing chores} about the place

3 Wednesday I cut up the hogs & salted the pork & husked a little corn to day it rains all day & very near all night James cut his leg this afternoon

4 Thursday this morning it began to blow about 4 Oclock I thought it would blow every thing over it blowed down a good deal of my fence {away?} I went to comber for the Docker {doctor?} for James leg to day

5 Friday i went to the store this forenoon in the afternoon I am choreing around the place & paid my taxes also it is fine weather agin

6 Satuerday {Saturday} I am working for the rail road compny {company} to day grading on Trudell crosing {crossing} by Vickerman farm on teh canada southern railroad

7 Sunday we are all home to day no church

8 Monday worked on the crosing this forenoon in the afternoon it rains I am husking a little corn in the barn

9 Tuesday morning it is very muddy weather I am choring at home & and spliting cord wood alittle to day

10 Wednesday I went to Mrs Gracey Sale to day I bouth 1 sleigh & ??? Shovel price $1 12 \frac{1}{2}$ sleigh price 6 25

11 Thursday it is raining agin {again} I am shoveling the little ditches in the barn yard & husking the last of my corn & I took my buck saw over to Robert Vickerman to be sharped I came back & put up some rails on the fence by the wheat field & cut som {some} stovewood at the doore {door}

12 Friday it is raining yet to day the land is very weet {wet} it is covered with water it is ankle deep it is {drixxelling?} {drizzling} rain very near all day I am in the bush spliting {splitting} cordwood I am pretty weet to night it is raining yet {Above it reads: it is} 7 Oclock {Below it reads: now}

13 Satuerday morning it is snowing this forenoon it clears of {off} in the afternoon and frexes {freezes} this evening this week has been a very storm one it was very disagrable {disagreeable} weather

14 Sunday I went to church to day but no minister came I suppose it was imposabil {impossible} to get here on the roads it is froxe {froze} some but not a nuf {enough} to bare a man

15 Monday I helped Edward Trembly to kill his pigs this forenoon in the afternoon I split cordwood in the bush this is a fine sunny day

16 Tuesday i am working at the railroad crossing cloos {close} to vickerman fine day

17 Wednesday i am working at the railroad croosing {crossing} to day agin fine day

18 Thursday it is thawing it is muddy to day i am working at the coosing {crossing} to day agin John Jardine

19 Friday i am working at the croosing {crossing} to day agin {again} finished it to day it is a little colder to day

20 Satuerday i am dowing {doing} choring at home to day I went to Mr henderson store this afternoon it is froze {froze} alittle it is kind araw {a raw?} wind this afternoon but it will freeze {freeze} hard to night

21 Sunday Mr Scoot {Scott} preaches thhis forenoon half past 10 Oclock cate went to church i stayed home it is fine to day but

22 Monday I went to Edward Trembly choping be {chopping bee} to day

23 Tuesday I got my horses shod at tomas {Thomas} Jackson & went to stoney point for Cate box fine wheather {weather} hard frose

24 Wednesday choring & helping Mcadam {Between lines it reads: at my crossing} to day fine wheather hard frose

25 Thursday James & I went to Comber to day cate went to Mrs Gracey

26 Friday I am choring this forenoon in the afternoon I went and moved a culbert for Mcadam upon Richard Dodson farm close to No 12 line {Above it reads: snow?}

27 Satuerday {Saturday} I went to Tomas Jacksons choping be {Thomas Jacksons chopping bee} to day

28 Sunday James & I went to church to day at three Oclock to here

29 Monday this forenoon I went to the bush to split cordwood and hurt my back that I could not split wood to day snow this afternoon

30 Tuesday Mary Gracey & John Mckey came down here to day my back is no beter {better} yet

31 Wednesday my back is a little beter to day I am Just dowing {doing} my choresg John Jardine

Tilbury West Ont Nov 20th 1873

To Miss {scratched out illegible}

You will please excuse the liberty I take in writing to you, but as I have met you several times and being pleased with your acquaintence and appearance I have taken the liberty of writing to you to ask the liberty of waiting up on you. If some one more favoured has not already been granted that permission. Hoping this may meet with your approval and knowing that a knowledge of my request is in good hands and {will?} go no further, and looking for an imediate {immediate} reply either favorable or unfavorable I {will?} subsrcribe myself yours respectfully and {illegible} with respect and would be admirer

J Jardine

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Yours

With Respect and would be ---- admirer Mr John Jardine

January the first 1874

1 Thursday John Mckey Alexander Gracey came to my {place?} to day in the evening I went out to Richerdson store with them

2 Friday I commenced to split wood agin it is fine weather it is thawing very fast to day no snow

3 Satuerday {Saturday} I am spliting {splitting} wood agin {again} to day it is still thawing the frost is about all out it blows pretty hard out warm it is a drying wind no rain yet

4 Sunday I went to church this forenoon I stoped {stopped} at Mr Gracy for dinner it began to rain about 2 Oclock this afternoon it was showery till evening it began to frexe {freeze} to night

5 Monday Tomas Vikerman & I is spliting wood to day and we fixed a little at my croosing {crossing} it was a little to {too} high it is a butful {beautiful} day it is thawing to day agin

6 Tuesday forenoon it snows I am in the bush a choping {chopping} down trees to skid for the Machine to make wood for the house in the afternoon cate & I went up to Mrs Graceys it is still snows it clears up about 10 Oclock to night

7 Wednesday I am choping {chopping} in the bush agin this forenoon it is raining a little after dinner I took the horses and drawed up two loads of wood it begins to rain prety {pretty} hard Alexander Gracey & Mary Gracey & John Mckey YY Miss lang all came to my house this afternoon it is raining yet and it still rains very heavy till about 11 Oclock to night it turns rite {right} around and snows it is very stormey the folks all went home this evening about half 1 Oclock it still snows there is no frost in the ground in the bush it is lots of water

8 Thursday it quit snowing this morning at 8 oclock there is 14 inches of snow & water it took me this forenoon a feeding stock & shovling {shovelling} snow from about the house in the afternoon I sawed a little stove wood at the door it is a butfull {beautiful} sunshine day it as thawed considerable to day

9 Friday I m choring around the bilings {buildings?} and sawing wood at the dore {door} for the stove it thaws a little to day the snow is setling {settling} a little there is quite a shower of snow this afternoon it is soft about half snow rain

10 Satuerday I hitched up my horses and went into the bush to brake {break} the roads to the wood piles to let them frexe {freeze} and went to the shop for my sleighs this forenoon in the afternoon cate & I went out to Henery Honsberger for James Jardine & William Spice to fetch them home it is mild to day

11 Sunday no church we are all home here to day there is some showers of snow to day it is a little colder

12 Monday William Spice & I cleaned a load of wheat this morning to take into chatham & hitched up my fly colt this forenoon for H Honsberger she went first rate Catherine Jardine & Mary Gracey & I went to chatham this afternoon with a load of wheat

13 Tuesday I sold my load of wheat for \$1.80 cts a hundred and we came home this afternoon snowed all the road home

14 Wednesday morning I took Mary Gracey home & went up to Mr Pool & in the afternoon I took a load of wood into the plains below Sam arkels & throughed {throwed?} it of {off} the roads is blowed full of snow it is very cold

15 Thursday forenoon am shoveling the snow from about the machine to let it frize {freeze?} so i can saw in the afternoon i skided som {skidded some} logs

16 Friday I went & drawed ties for trudell to stoney point

17 Satuerday {Saturday} Baptist Trembley helped me to saw stovewood to day it is pleasant weather

18 Sunday I am at home to day it looks like a thaw it is a little soft, there is no frost in the bush under the snow except where it is broke up rain this evning {evening} {Above it reads: at 4 Oclock}

19 Monday this morning it commenced to rain about half past 7 O and rained all forenoon the snow has setled {settled} a grate {great} deal there is a grate deal of water the ditches is all ful {full} James & William & I took up my machine out of the bush this afternoon & put it in the old bilding {building} it is windey {windy} this evening and begining {beginning} to frze {freeze}

20 Tuesday this morning the roads is froze hard I took two loads of wood to baptist crick {Baptist Creek} and went and got a shoe on Jane at Tom Jackson shop to day Edward Trembly croosed {crossed} over baptist creek this morning at the lorer {lower} {Above it reads: side} of Shampang bridge in the plains I croosed after him Mr St John next us three was the first to croose over that crick this year

21 Wednesday I am drawing wood to day I went two trips to baptistcrick {Baptist creek} and moved one load that i had in the planes down to the crick {creek} snow turning into water to day it is very fogey {foggy} to day we cold {could} not see twenty {rod?} Ahead of the teem {team} it commenced to rain as I was on my way home, and it began to rain about 4 Oclock and now it is going on 8 Oclock the sleighing is about gon {gone} the ditches and every place is ful {full} of water

22 Thursday this morning the snow is all gon {gone} in the fields the ditches is all runing {running} over, the water is deep around the house it is running all over the land my wheat there {Above it reads: is} about 2 akers {acres} that i cannot se {see} for water

23 Friday it is snowing and raining a little to day the water is going down fast Wiliam Spice & I went over to Tomas Jackson shop & got a pair of long whipple trees fixed for my mairs {mares} and took the head pice {piece} of my mchine {machine} over to Robert Vickerman to have it fixed this evening it is frexing {freezing} hard

24 Satuerday {Saturday} it is very blustring {blustering} to day it is cold William Spice & I slit {split} wood here at the door by starts it is a wild day with snow flying around James Jardine went to stoney point

25 Sunday we are all at home to day no church

26 Monday James & William is sawing logs for me this forenoon for to draw to the house for stovewood James went out south William spice & I is cuting {cutting} logs for the same

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27 Tuesday this morning it began to snow & rain at 7 Oclock there was a butful {beautiful} express {express} train went west this morning at twenty minets {minutes} to 9 Oclock the cars looks to be full of peple {people} Canada Southern

28 Wednesday I am coring {choring} round the place this afternoon I took up to the house and fetched home the head pice {piece} of my sawing michan {machine} from Robar {Robert} Vickerman there is a little snow to greace {grease} the ground

29 Thursday I am cuting {cutting} cordwood on the north side of the canada southern railroad this forenoon in the afternoon I went and give my vot {vote} for Mcgriger {McGregor?} to day it is thawing

30 Friday it did not snow much last night but began to snow this morning about half past 8 Oclock snowed all day

31 Satuerday I started to hall {haul} wood to baptistcrick {Baptist creek} but could not get through the plains for water & ice I took two lods {loads} to the plains I think the ice will carry soon it is cold

February 1874

1 Sunday I am home it is frixing {freezing} to day but it is a butful {beautiful} day the sun is shining a good deal to day but there is som {some} snow fallan {falling} once & a while

2 Monday I intended hall {haul} wood to baptist creek but it began to snow very heavy and I did not go I halled 4 {drages?} of wood up to the door and put my horses in for it snowed so heavy till about 3 Oclock then it did not snow so hard I cut som {some} stovewood at the door this afternoon about 5 Oclock I fetched up aload {a load} of wood to the stable ready for the morning to go to baptist creek

3 Tuesday I commenced to draw wood to baptist creek the ice carryis {carries} prety {pretty} good to day

4 Wednesday halling {hauling} to baptist creek to day agin {again}

5 Thursday Calling to baptist creek to agin

6 Friday halling to baptistcreek to day agin 3 loads it snowed most all day

7 Satuerday {Saturday} I went to the blacksmith this forenoon and in the afternoon I went to {two} trips to baptistcreek with cordwood

8 Sunday home all day no minister

9 Monday halling wood agin to baptistcreek 2 loads to day

10 Tuesday halling to baptistcreek agin to day the roads is good

11 Wednesday halling to baptistcreek agin to day the sun thoughs {thaws?} some to day

12 Thursday i got all my wood to the creek that i have cut this forenoon this afternoon Cathrine & I went up to Mr Pools with the horses & buggy it is thoughing {thawing} very fast we came home this alittle after 6 Oclock it begins to rain about 7 Oclock

13 Friday this morning the snow is all meted {melted} in water there is quite a flud {flood} of water over the land I am choring around home to day for there is lots of mud & water around

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14 Saturday I went to baptistcreek my wood to measuer {measure} my wood with Richerdson he has bot {bought} most of the wood at the creek it is a fine day it is like the month march clear sun shine

15 Sunday we are home to day no preaching it is a fine day agin {again} it is cold and winday {windy} the water is drying up very fast

16 Monday James Jardine & I went to Chatham to day by the western and came home agin the same day it is very cold and high winds but fine drying sun shine

17 Tuesday I am atending {attending} to stok {stock?} & cuting {cutting} a little stove wood at the door it is fine agin to day the water & mud is drying up very fast it is frezing {freezing} hard at nights

18 Wednesday I commenced to draw logs up to the house for stovewood in the afternoon I broke my cruch {crutch} & I had to hunt timber to make another it is another fine day sun shine

19 Thursday Cathrine Jardine went to visit at Honsburger {Honsberger} to day and I made me a cruch to day and fixed som {some} of my fences on the farm to day it is cloudy very like rain but butful wheather {beautiful weather}

20 Friday I am choring & cuting {cutting} a few logs for the mchine {machine} for stovewood for the house it is a fine softe day it is thoughing {thawing} pretty fast it began to rain to night about 8 Oclock it rains pretty near all night

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21 Saturday this morning it is raining yet it begins to snow with the rain the roads is splashing wet with water and mud it is not frezing {freezing} it is now 7 Oclock to night it is not snowing now but the ground is white with snow

22 Sunday it is fine wheather {weather} but cold and winday {windy} to day we are at home to day no church in the presbtren {presbyterian} church

23 Monday it is cold and stormey {stormy} to day snow I am cuting {cutting} a little stovewood at the door and atending {attending} to my stok {stock} in the afternoon William Spice & I went to the townline station between east & west tilbury

24 Tuesday William Spice & I is drawing logs to the door to saw in stovewood with the mchine {machine} there is no snow but the ground is frozen hard

25 Wednesday we are drawing bogs {logs} agin to day for wood it began to snow about 12 Oclock to day we did not woork {work} this afternoon i went to st frances for my boots that i got mended it is very cold and windey {windy} to day

26 Thursday William & I is drawing wood agin to day it is splended sliping {slipping} for drawing logs James Jardine is making pices {pieces} of timber for aculberts {a culvert?} at the frunt {front} of the house at the road

27 Friday this forenoon William Spice & I finished drawing logs to the door for stovewood James & William & I is maken {making} timber for my culberts

28 Satuerday this was a butful {beautiful} day Just like spring the ground this frozen hard this morning but it is thoughing {thawing} this afternoon in the forenoon William drawed chips & bloks {blocks} to the door James & I is making the last stack for my culbert ground axes & cleaned a grist to go to mill this afternoon

March the first 1874

1 Sunday it is a fine day it is thawing, there is considerable mud we are at home to day there is no Minister yet

2 Monday I went out to see my farm in the eight consision {concession} Tilbury West lot 13 south half Mikel bradly {Michael Bradley?} went with me considerable water & mud this afternoon

3 Tuesday I am choring to day and went to Richerdson store it commenced to rain this afternoon about 4 Oclock and about 7 Oclock it thundred & lighting {thundered & lightning} hard & rained heavy

4 Wednesday it is a fine day after the rain the wind is quite raw & cold I am atending {attending} the choors {chores} to day agin {again}

5 Thursday I am atiending my choars Mr st John bleed {bled} my horses to day I went to day I went to Mr henderson store this afternoon for rawson {rosin?} for the mairs {mares} fine weather to day agin

6 Friday I went to see Mr Gracey & Mr Pool the roads is very mudy {muddy} it rains all day & small fine rain

7 Saturday I am atending my horses & cattle to day & I went to Goodroe for my saddle & to the shoemakers for my boots it is very winday {windy} to day it is drying up the water fast

8 Sunday it is froze to carry to day it is very high winds & cold we are at home to day

9 Monday it is winday & cold agin to day frezing {freezing} to James Jardine & William Spice & I John Jardine we are all bilding {building} rail fence to the corner of my lot on the concession fenceing {fencing} in my farm

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10 Tuesday this morning I went to Peels mill with twenty bushels of wheat got it ground into flour & got home with it at noon William Spice & James Jardine is working at the rail fence all day I in the afternoon help them it is windy and cold to day agin {again} still hard froze

11 Wednesday James & Spice & myself set the sawmchine {saw machine} at the door & began to saw stove wood it is very windy & cold to day

12 Thursday us thre {three} sawing stove wood at the door to day agin it is still very cold & windey {windy} it is frezing {freezing} cold to day I had to put on my Oil cloth to keep the wind out

13 Friday we are still sawing at the door here is a little snow this morning and it is Pierceing {piercing} cold to day fezing {freezing} all day

14 Satuerday {Saturday} it is frose {froze} hard this morning but it is a butful {beautiful} morning about 10 or 11 Oclock it begins to thaw it is like spring all at once we are still sawing wood at the door to day agin

15 Sunday we are at home to day it is a butfull wheather {beautiful weather} the roads is drying fast

16 Monday we finished sawing wood at the door and drawed manure to the appletrees and we piled chonkes {chunks?} and brush 2 or 3 by the railroad fence to day it is a butful day

17 Tuesday James & Spice & I is bilding {building} the rail fence between {reiney?} & I it is a very warm to day there is thunder & lighting but the rain past by

18 Wednesday we finished the fence this forenoon as fas as I had rails in the there was qite {quite} a shoure {shower} of rain this forenoon

Me

James & Spice & I went to piling brush by the railroad & I James & cate went to stoney point started from about 8 Oclock the roads is very bad for a teem {team} had to stop at the point bellriver {Belle River} to get the express for toronto

19 Thursday I came home from stoneypoint this morning the roads is very bad but it is a butful {beautiful} sun shine day the roads is drying some this afternoon spice & I is piling brush by the railroad

20 Friday William Spice & I John Jardine is piling brush agin {again} to day close by the railroad fence south side of the Canada southern railroad on lot 19 consison {concession} 4 in the township of Tilbury West in the year of our lord 1874

21 Satuerday {Saturday} Spice & I is piling brush this forenoon agin in the afternoon we dug round my appletrees and put manure around them it is fine weather the land is drying fast Mr Akson commenced to plough march the 20

22 Sunday Spice & I is home here alone to day it is abutful {a beautiful} sunshine to day but it is windy the wind is cold but drying the land fast there was quite a frost last night and a little snow anuf {enough} to make the ground white this morning

23 Monday it is cold and dry William Spice and I commenced to spred {spread} and draw that heap of manure that I had in the south east field by the consis {concession} James Jardine and Catherine Jardine is in Toronto

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24 Tuesday James Jardine came home this morning from Tronto {Toronto} on a frait {freight} train by the southern road he got here about 2 Oclock this morning William Spice & I is drawing & sprading {spreading} manure to day it is very cold the wind is so high but it is drying the country water up fast

25 Wednesday William Spice & I finished spreading & halling {hauling} the pile of manure that i had in the field by the consison {concession} this afternoon about 4 Oclock we hitced {hitched} up the plowed got 1 land this evening it is cold to day agin & windey {windy} and it came up abig shour of snow this evening about 3 Oclock this is mistake

26 Thursday William spice is plowing to day James & i commenced to make milk house timber in the bush this afternoon it came up a big storm of snow about 5 Oclock wich {which} lasted about half our {hour} it is very windy weather and cold two {too}

27 Friday William Spice is ploughing this forenoon in the afternoon he let the mairs {mares} rest for satuerday to goe {go} to chatham James & I worked at the milkhouse timber to day & spice was with us in the afternoon

28 Satuerday James & I went to chatham with the mairs {mares} & buggy the roads is prety {pretty} good all the way only a pice {piece} through the plains spice split wood at the door to day it is a cold & windy day

29 Sunday James went to Mrs Gracey & spice went to comber & I am home alone this is a butful {beautiful} sunshiney day but high winds the rods {roads} and the land is geting {getting} dry & dusty

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