

Leap Year

1884

~~2nd~~ ~~March~~ ~~1884~~ ~~Island~~ 1st January
New Year's Day Fine E Wind Sun Shining Randolph
and I crossed to Hamiltons took Dinner Randolph
went to help them to Thrash tomorrow. I put out
a few Bushes Water Rising on the Marsh Fired a few
shots this morning put in the Bottom of the Stack John H
and Leander 2nd Randolph at Hamiltons E Wind snowing
Drifting Blowing hard Frosty 3rd Allen's Birth Day 1853
Cold & Frosty W Wind Blowing hard Blistering Blizzardy
Cut a Waterhole for the cattle 4th Cold Windy Gordon and
Randolph came from Hamiltons Sent a Bottle
of Wine with Gordon to Mrs Hamilton took
a Letter to me from Dan it came on the 23rd
with 2 Dollars in it for his Aunt Gordon to my
3rd Bladed Knife 5th Cold Windy Cutting Stone Wood
6th E. Breeze Fine Cold 7th The Water is Raising near
shore Drew the 2 Boats and Canoe up as the water
near them 8th High Census Birth Day 1866
Randolph and I to Sumnerstown Bought of
Olson & Summers 2 Tickets paid for 1.50 the other
on Credit 50 cents Bought needles 5 Thread 5 oil 60
Bought of P. Russell 1 lb of Tea 25 paid
hand for needles and Thread E W turned stormy
Drifting Blowing snowing a awful night
Stopt at Hamiltons John went to
Cornwall to mill did not come back
to night Heard Bella Wright Departed
(Or Mrs Annan) 9th Came home high E W
Brought 2 Balls of yarn for Gordons Sore
10th Began to draw hay from the upper field
11th Drew the Rest of the stack cleaned the pipes
E W snowing went for a load of Wood
12th Fine E W Frosty Drew some wood
13th Fine E W Snowed hard Frosty

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Mr James Cameron Island M
Grinding the Axes & Wind Hauling Hauling
Working at the stick in the ice at the shore
cutting hay in the Barn Randolph making a hand-
sleigh the Foxes is Barking around in this soft
Weather 6th cutting the ice around the stick
got it Loose got it pried up a little but
had to leave it with the Drifting & Wind
kind of Thawing snowing Teams going on
the Pit-Pit Island Road to Day 7th got
the stick out of the ice to Day Fine Day
8th Gordons Birth Day went to the Bush
& Wind Randolph crossed for the Globe it did
not come Bought Tea 25^{cents} ^(paid) Heard Richardson
and 3 men got killed on the Rail Road Gordon
Working at Mr P Percells Mill I Summers getting
Better 9th & W snowing Hauling Went to Hamiltons
got a Ride up to Summer House with J Hamilton Bought
of J Summers 100 Wt of Flour 3.50 on credit Bought
Cell of Tea 25 Spool of Thread 50^{cents} paid this got
2 Buttons to be returned Seen the Rev. Mr Cameron
after coming from the carnival seems to be
a very fine Man John Hamilton Drove
me Home got the Globe for the first one
Brought over a pair of Sox for Gordon to Hamilton
got the yarn that was left Back not Cold
10th Randolph Kirghilum Luma went to
Mr James Mr Dore calls Fine W Wind
11th & Wind some & Wolly Drove some Wood south of
of E Now Done began to cut on the North East side
12th & Wind Drifting Fine Hauling to night Blows
the younges of the 3 Calves got fast on the Manger
not very well 13th in the Bush
Gordon at Mr Percells

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Mr. James Cameron Island Feb 14th
 Valentines Day Raining W Wind 15th E W Bawing
 Did 16th Randolph crossed for the Globe & W
 ne ice Shipper. An Indian here Lewis David
 brought Five 5 cents at Mr Wards 17th London here
 E W and Indian passed up the ice a fine day
 packed pipes 18th Mums Hugs's Bath Day 1855
 W Raining Raising the stick of Timber at the River
 men in a Cutter passed down to the Little Island
 their Fishing 18th E Wind Fine Thawing went
 to the Bush 2 Indians came for ash frogs
 Peter David then an Indian and a Boy
 came down the ice and went around
 the north side A man crossed over to Frasers
 on the South side Looking for a friend of his named
 Donald Graham heavy Rain to night and high Wind
 20th High W Wind Rain Snowing Drifting 21st Went to
 Summerstown Bought of John Summers 100 ^{Chips 50} 18 1/2 ft Thor
 3rd 50 to the Sea 30 Stopt at Hammonds all night
 stormy to night 22nd ^{Burton's River Point} Stopt on the Stack of Stone
 Broke the Sleigh 23rd Randolph crossed took a
 sack of the Flour from Hammonds Bought of
 Mr Ward a Testament 10 cents paid 24th Wind
 and cool 25th Randolph Went to Corrington with my
 Boots to get Fixed 35 cents Buttons 20 cents 2 yds of
 overalls stuff 36 got a Ride Back from J. L. Douca
 and he crossed over from Mc Dougalls 26th I went
 to Williamstown Bought Wine and Sugar Fine
 27th Ash Wednesday in Williamstown 28th in Williamstown
 1st Stormy in Williamstown Cold Very Stormy Drifting
 1st of March St Davids Day The Festival of the Welsh
 Stormy The Lottery at J Summers to night My Prize a pair of
 Boots 2nd in Williamstown 3rd Came from Williamstown
 Stopt at J. L. Dougalls the first time that
 was there Randolph at Summerstown got John
 5 cents got the paper

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Mr. Tarrant, Cornwall, Ont. 4th of Dec.
 Went to Summersston Bought of Summers
 100 lb. of Flour 3.50 5 lb. Tea 25 cent Bought 2
 Spools 10 cents paid spools West Wind Drifting Blowing
 got a Ride up from Hamilton and he
 Drove me Down home to the Bay Tom took
 Down my Flour and I Left it there got 2
 Bushels of Oats from Tom to Day
 Randolph took it home got the Prize
 Any Ticket Drew a pair of Boots John
 Summers Wife went off to Day
 5th Took in the Last of the stack a very fine
 Day Drew some Wood Randolph went to
 Hamilton for the Flour I left there
 Brought over a Board I promised her
 for her cheese Rose seen crows to Day
 6th Wind changed to West snowing Went to Mr. Jo
 Duquets took Dinner there Randolph and I
 Charles Rose there Drawing sawdust for the icehouse
 Bought H Wines Fine Day Making a Runner for
 the sleigh the Weasel killing our Hens Wrote
 a Letter for to send tomorrow to J. W. Winters
 7th Randolph went for the Mail got it
 went up to Percells Posted the Letter
 for Williamstown The Storm commenced
 near morning 8th Snowing Snow Cows did
 not go to Drift to Day Stormy Drifting E. W.
 9th Stormy E. W. Drifting Began the Hay on
 the Sticks though there is a Son in the East
 blow yet 10th Kind of Fine Drawing away
 snow out of the yard all the Drift all shut
 up with snow awful Bunkings of snow
 this is the worst storm we had yet
 drew some wood

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Mr James Cameron Island 11th March
 Wind Drifting and snowing some Haul turned soft
 went to the Bush Seen a Drive of Cattle
 roping 12th On this Day of the Month D. L. R. Master
 came to the Island Fine turned to Raining Wind
 by Hugh took down the snow some Dred some Drags
 clearing away snow from around the stable and
 heads water coming into the stable with the
 snow melting and Rain shovelling snow 13th
 Working Moughs cutting Stone Wood Fine 14th Stanley's
 Birth Day 1880 Mr Hugh Munroe here crossed to
 Cammilton with him to see the Bull he wants to buy
 in Randolph crossed for the paper Bought of John
 Munners 1 lb of Tea 50 in Credit 15th 4th Day
 Randolph went to Fort Covington to get his Boat
 and Leanders Fixed 26 cents Bought Coat Plasters 10
 and 5 cents got a Ride 4 from Mr Dougall I
 crossed to Summerstown took Dinner with
 4th dinners and he has a splendid House
 the first time I was in it Bought a Pipe
 Mr Charles Craig here wanting to Buy a Cow ^{Heard} stopped
 at Cammilton to night 16th Came from Cammilton
 this morning good walking on the ice Monkey calved
 Day Ducks flying West 17th St Patricks the
 Festival of the Irish snowing hailing Raining Fine
 Wind Mr J. McDougall came to see if I had Ashes
 as he is going with a Load to Fort Covington
 Randolph crossed to see Mr Craig to tell him about
 the Cow he is to come to see her 18th Princess Louise's
 Birth Day 1848 working the slick of Timber out of
 the ice at the shore Mr J. Douquet and John
 Bone here took the big Cooler I got from him
 looking at the Cattle

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Mr James Cameron Island 15th of March

The very Rev. Mr Cameron and Mr Hamilton
have took down the names of the children
Read the 8th Chapter of Acts and Prayer
Gave all the children Sunday School Papers
Hos^{rs} seems to be a very fine Man

Fine & Wind Drove some Woods turned to Hailing in the Evening and snowed some through the night this is the last Day of Winter 20th This is the first Day of Spring stormy in the Morning & W. Snowing & Drifting and Blowing turned Fine and very warm in the P.M. & B. B. & B. had a Whet.

Warm The Buckley and Brundle had a Battle
to Day Put a fire in the Double Store to Burn out
Spoils 21st Mr John Tye and Mr Douquet here
Bought 5 Head of Cattle 75 Dollars a Fine Day
Had a Battle of old Rags Randolph went with
them to Drive the cattle 22^d Crooked got
a Ride from John H. Clumton to F. C. Overglow

A Ride from John H. Guntton to H. Overton

Overalls 1:8 Peg Pot 25 Snack 10 Pipe 1 Tobacco 5
Meat 25 John Drove me Down Ice Spt 23rd
B... seen Wild Geese The Boys Killed

Running Seen Wild Gelse the Boys Killed
a Muskrat with the Dog 24th Went to
Sumnerstown Brightly John Sumners

100 Wt of Flour 3rd 50 / hang Braces 50, Soap 35 / pfc
on peredat 5th 2nd (2 spoils) paid this Brought M

Ward Nail 25 RKR 25 Tobacco 10 Shingle nails 4 1/2
Ice handle 15 Bought of J Hamilton 100 Wt of Flour 3 1/2
73 - - - - - Old Mrs Shetter to her Under Common

Burying Old Mrs Stella to Day Andy Cannon
 waiting to Buy the Bull 18 Dollars 1 want
 to see all Water and slush Teams crossed to

But what are such things
say

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 As James Cameron paid 25th March

Our Willers Common place is a place
every Day Commencement of the Bergen. Many a Fine
Day warm took the Sugar Haggling to the Bus
utting and puling Stone Wood. W. S. Gees
and Ducks Plenty Blackbird Robins came
about around the Pointe 26th January 8th West

ce opening around the Points. To Having to Wind Went
to go across the ice so slowly we turned Back.
Using Manure cutting Stone Wood Black Ducks
and "Wild Geese" Plenty cant find any holes in the
ice lying on the ice. Jan Altimilton But Day
21. 1891 in the morning the ice was so soft that

876 Change on the Eclipse on the Sun Neptune and
conjunction with Venus 21st Taft a few Fine 28th
opening Fine Sept 29th I crossed to the missions heard
him had to pay 300 dollars Woman froze some
last night Randolph Borled 12 hauls & safe 30th Fine

1st. Mr. Douglass here came to tell me he could not
take the Bush Boat that I could have all the uggs
and him a Bottle of Syrup and a Bottle of Wine. The
Boys croaked with him for the Rot Randolph Leander
reminded he carried the Head of the Island and

he came to the head of the Island and
out down for me to get the Salmon River Horse and
Bait from the mouth of Salmon River
then Bone Red Boys and one of Belles Boys went up
with it. I got 10 wds Calico 80 Buttons per 28 Basket in

Bought 7 yds Calico 80 Buttons 4 doz 28 Basket 10
Thimbles 10 Bought 6 Small man 6 yds Cotton 48 Bought
18 Buttons 3 doz 23 - 2 Pin Badges 20 4 lb Salica 18 blades
Type 1 Gordon here to day have him my vest Randolph
Bought Hat from him 15 cents Got another from
old man 95 cail. 66 " " " "

are in charge. On ^{1st} APRIL all took Day I
rode to Germantown. Went to PL with letter
Margie Chas car of Mr William Dubois
of my paper. Bought 1 Summers rail 25 Paid this
Bought of Mr Ward 2 Doz of Hovings 50 cents Paid 10

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Mr James Cameron Island 3rd of April
 Snowing Fast 60 Trees gathered 34 Pauls chopping
 Wood at the camp 4th This is the Day these
 men was to be Home at Regina Boiling
 and Sugared of about 2 Lbs a Boast for the
 Boys Fine Sap run some Fast some Luma
 came to the Bush to sugar of 5th Boiling
 6th Ice opening Palm Sunday Lily
 Calved a Fine Day Sugared off 7th Hummer
 Killed the first snake ^{snakes coming out}
 of their holes running well 8th Boiling running
 well running over Stanley and Rowena in the
 Bush 9th On this Day of the 16 birds I was
 Married 1862 Sugared of twice to Day 10th Boiling
 cutting Wood Blowed hard and Fine 11th Fast Snoring
 Fine Snowed Rain Sugared twice W.W. 12th Ice
 going Down water high put out the Boat
 Lots of Rubbish going down Fast 16 Trees Frost
 Last night The Frogs commenced their music
 13th Gordon and Willie ^{Remains in the hat} here 14th
 3 Men Passed up in a Boat and went
 Back P. Pinner ^{leaving the boat} to Lay
 Fine E Wind clearing out the cookhouse
 Boys Boiling in the Bush Piling stove
 Wood 15th Sugared of 4 3 lbs Rain
 2 Wind Went out in the Black Boat
 16th E W Rained some Made a Gallon of
 Syrup Rowena Made 2 lb of Sugar
 clearing out the cellar cutting the ice out
 of the Milk house Brauning stalks of
 the Rotator Field Grenada's first
 Trip out of ^{the} Double Swallow
 came got a Rat put a Lock on
 the Shanty Taking away the Bankings

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Mr James Cameron Island April 17th
 at the Bankings Piling Wood at the Door Machine
 way force at the shore 18th (Sun) Vincens North
 Day E W Foggy (Raining) Went to Sun well town
 had Butter Bought of Mr Ward Salt 9
 Pack 1/10 3 Dg of (Herring) 5 lb Powder 2 1/2 lb
 Phacoe 12 1/2 Blue 5 thread 2 1/2 Hats 4 lb Bought
 of J. L. Luminers 10 lb of Cottons paid this Head to
 John Barrett Departed in Winnipeg heard
 Mary Bouie Peter L. wants Pastor Dred about the
 6th or 8th Night at Hamilton to night 19th Came
 from Hamilton Working at the Bankings got
 Papers from Dan Randolph got a picture in the
 Marsh Boys gathered 1 1/2 Hails of Sap Fine
 E W 20th Foggy Fine 21st Jenny Calved Boiled the
 Sap a Gallon of Syrup heaping up manure Windy
 Frost to night 22nd Windy Some Grains of Snow Fast
 23 Trees got 6 pads of Sap set some of the Front Marsh
 a fire near shore a Brother keeping the cattle
 from the Bush Randolph shot a squirrel
 Water commencing to come in the cellar 23 took
 away the Sagen Bush Riggings as the Corus
 is hard to keep from the Bush 24th
 Well E Dore all and Catherine here a
 Fine Day gave him a cake of sugar 25th
 St Marks Lay a Fine Day The Steamer
 Charlotte came up Randolph went to
 Galina River Bought on Credit from Mr
 Borden a pair of Boots 1 lb Sack of Flour 1/30
 pair of Boots for himself 1/10 Rowena's Boots
 fixed Bennis left his own by beginning
 2 1/4 yds of Cloth 57 cents of Hells and 1/2 of
 Light Lit up to night a very fine Day
 E Wind 26th Mr L. came Fine
 Randolph crossed the paper Lacey

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Mr James Cameron Island 27th April

Mr Genie went off E Wind Gordon and
Tommy Rose here a fine Day 28th High Wind
keeping in the 2 Bulls Raising stones and
Ploughing cold to night took away the
Banking from the shed north side
heard Thunder to night J Hamilton Lit up
to night snowed through the night
Dan Mr Lan Departed 28th crossed
with a Letter to P O for Genie
Postage 3 got Paint and oil for the Barn
stove a Hole in the Big Boat turned
Back and took the Barn speaking to
Robinson about the Bull 30th Ploughing
Painting Fine Day Ogdensburg
Boat came last night to Dundee
stopt at St Dequett's Wharf all night
Lots of Ice going down to Day 1st of
May St Phillips & St James Lots of Ice going down
Leander and I went around the Island The Steamer
Grenada coming across Turned Back a little ways
and let of Steam whatever was wrong I dont know
yet The John A or Steam Calvin going down The
a Raft the first this Season at Fires cutting
Brush and very high Wind West Painting
the Cribboard Door Windows 3rd cutting and grubbing
in the upper field made the fence at the Wet Place
let out the young Bull W Wind very high
The Mr Fisher went down with a Raft
4th Fine Randolph went to Christies Stanley
Leander, Mary and the other 4 went to St Johns
Island Grenada went to Lancaster
with a party of masons

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Mr James Cameron Island 5th May 7
 Fine Day Went to J Hamiltons with the Boat
 to Fish it Heard Dr Dickinson Departed but
 left 6th Fixing around the Shanty putting stones
 here the water is wearing the Bank & Wind
 fresh. Went Down First trip 7th Fine & Wind
 me Rain Blew hard Went to Fort Corvington 1st trip
 Smallman Flour 3 Boots 1/30. Fine Salt Makes 15
 Doz of Cups 4 Sauces 80 Red Stuff 75 Bought of A Gyo Lime
 Tobacco 35 Cucumbers 5 Bought of Mr Long Hooks 2
 ails 5 Ripes 2 Brush on Credit 35 got the
 Strainer Kettle Mended 20 3 yds of Calico 24
 Worm Syrup 25 Hoarhound 1 paid Randolph
 Boots 85 took Dinner at Mr P Buchanan
 Old Mr Congdon Taken on the Boat
 Grenada from Cornwall Bought of
 Gyo Flask 30 Sale at Elliotts Mr
 Burdons Store closed got papers from
 Mr Mc Cartney sailed going and coming South
 Wind 8th The Bohemian's First Trip
 the Fishermen Came Rain & Wind Fine
 Mr Congdon Buried to Day Randolph making
 Harrows 9th putting up Manure Fixing
 the Loops aroun the door commenced to rain
 right Boats aground Tugs Lots of Tugs going
 to Day 10th Raining Windy N West ice going
 down Wild Geese plenty on Plum Island 11th
 Bohemian went up Leander & Hughlin went
 to Hamiltons Fine Windy Rained some
 Phillip got the Black Boat to go to
 Rossells some ice going down 12th Harrowing first
 Planting of Potatoes Ploughed the garden and the
 Bean Place Fine Lit out the Calves in the
 yard they went with their Fish 1st time

