

1885

Mr James Cameron Island Dec 24th
 Broke on Stack 3 Tons Fine & Wind
 25th Christmas Day Fine not much snow
 the fields ice pretty well Broke up Freezing
 to night & Wind and the ice a making some
 Ice took near morning in some places a good
 many air holes 26th open up from the foot of
 Francis Island the Steamboat Channel Frost
 Fine Lirinia Turned very sudden sick & Wind
 Changed to West 27th Fine Ice making some
 and took through to night Leander got a Rat
 St John the Evangelist Day 28th First crossing
 on the ice Leander and I the ice thin First
 time Leander to Sumnerstown Bought a
 Ward Sixty 2 cents Bought of Nicholson Raisins
 10 are handle 10 Bought of J Sumner 1 lb of Raisins
 45 paid Raisins 10 paid Kibble 50 paid got a Rat
 Down from J Hamilton 25th Our Angus Berth 2
 crossed got a Ride up from J Hamilton Bought
 15 Dollars of Flour from J Sumner
 Tom Jack to take it Down to Hamilton
 Bought of Nicholson's 1 pair of overshoe 1.00
 Brought home Nicholson's Bag Oil 35 Ice
 Busting side of shore 30th Firing a place
 for the sheep in the Shed 2 men crossing
 over to Salmon River Fine ice Breaking
 some to night 31st Last Day of the year & Wind
 Fine commenced to Rain ice Breaking all up
 put in all of the Rest of the 3 Tons Stack Leander
 and I tried for Eggs got none Leander got a Rat
 1st of January 1886 Firing in the new year
 the Boys all shooting shot a Duck Leander got
 a Rat took in the Honey-Bees in then put them
 out West Wind snowed a little 2nd chopping in the
 oak Field Leander got a House-Rat in his trap
 ice going down seen a Boat fishing Eggs

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Mr James Cameron Island January
Allen's Berth Day ¹⁸⁵³ Fine Raining seen 2nd men
fishing & 4th Raining & Wind dug the Dumper
out of a snowbank & putting out Manure
West Wind Rained some seen a Boat going down
the way of Rankins Bay ice leaving the shore
fields Bare Livina not well Leander got a Rat
Lots of Ducks going Down about Dark Lots of Seagulls
picking up Minnows on the water 6th Turned cold
and Frosty Windy chopping stove Wood 7th W Wind Frosty
ice making anchor ice going Down if there was no wind
the ice would take Bent a piece of the Aree cutting
Knotty-Hemlog cold Day 8th Hollowed the Berth Day
8th Cold Fine Very Frosty shut across to Christies
Steamboat Channel open a great many air-holes
and a Big opening up at the Head of the Island
W Wind seen a Mink track chopping stove Wood
House Warm cattle hearty 9th E Wind Drifting
stormy snowing seen a Fox on the ice I think
the ice must be taken Steamboat channel
open Late Last Night snowbanks 10th Sunday
W Wind Drifting air-holes smoking 11th W Wind Cold Frosty
John H and I to the Pitt Point set a trap for the Mink
under and I to the Head of the Island to see how the
ice looked a great many air-holes seen a Mink track
quite fresh Lots of Fox tracks ice looks rough Frosty
a night 12th New Years old style chopping stove Wood
W Wind a Very Frosty Day the Frostiest I think
we had yet air-holes smoking water raising
near shore 13th First crossing on the ice as the first ice
all broke up Bought of Summers 1 lb of Tea 4⁵
Radway R R 25 paid this Bought of McHolson Boots 7⁵
Senges paid 1/2 lb Tea 25 all paid Bought of McWard Plum 3
Orange Colouring 10 paid 14th Broke on the 4³ on stack
one Bushing the Road Fine Day E W 15th Drains
Wood got a Mink Fine E Wind 16th Fine E W
Pluces in Dundee seen a Weasels Track on
the Wash ha. e. H. R. ^{or dundee}