

Multi-authored Brown Family Diary

1912 – 1929

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{It seems that many Brown family members wrote in this diary, including Gertrude's mother, sisters and even some of the men.}

{math calculations}

Remember last Two Weeks In september

May 8 Uncle John came out & went back May 11. 1912.

June 1 put up wire Hen fence.

May 18 Put cows out.

May 30 papa hurt his back for the second time this year.

June 14 Mamma oiled the floor

June 12.13.14 planted potatoes

June 16 We went down to see the calves but it rained & we came back.

June 15 square party was post-poned on account of rain,

June 29 Jean started to scrub.

June 28 John & me drove papa over to Mr. Wheman's raisin {raising}. & Saturday night was school meeting &

July 3 Mr Cox's barn raisin.

July 12 all stayed Home but it was a glorious Twelfth.13th papa & I went to Unionville & got rake teeth

July 7. I wore my shoes for the first.

1915

July 29 cut wheat (fall) and

Aug 19th drew it in

Aug 22nd. started to give cows corn.

Aug 15 Eva Tate was here and pennies barn was burned.

Aug 25 red cross meeting at Hoods. If it rains July 15th it will for forty days.

Aug 11th Jonathon was married & the 18th Methodists had party.

Aug 29 Alex went out for tea

1927

July 11 We had new potatoes

" 23rd I had a potato that weighed 9 oz.

July 17 Uncle John & Mr Moor came out in the afternoon about three o'clock. & Uncle John went back July 20th. Papa & John drove him out.

July 23 put cows Back flats again &

July 20 put calves in the field

July 31 We went over to Mr Tate's.

July 29 & 30 cut fall wheat and shocked on 31 July.

July 24 they scrubbed the church. Finished drawing in wheat

Aug 15, 1912 & started to draw Barley in Aug 16.

Aug 16 I put on my new Boots.

Oct 10 we started to draw mangles after Dinner 11 Loads.

Oct 9 We noticed Maggies head swollen

Oct 10 I was talking to the teacher about Mrs Padget

May 31st {illegible} {Below it reads: was.}

70 ½ x 9 = 6.30 ½ Paid In 430/70

1918

Order 29 cut wheat (fall) and

1926 Sept 5, Alex, John & Isobel Daddy & Ma motored To The Ex, Will Brook Marjorie Mansfield Laura motored down and one all met at The Ex & had lunch together

1927 Sept, 7 Douglas & Gertie John & Isobel. Daddy & Ma motored together To The Exhibition

Sept, 8 Laura & Norman Reid Newton & Harry Bodway.

We sold our black ringer to Boynton Aug 31 (1915)

Aug 6th was our Beef. Weight 430.

1912			lbs.
June	11	Beef & suet	21 lbs.
June	18	Beef althru. {all-through as in pure beef?}	25 lbs.
June	25	Beef althru	31 lbs.
July	2	Beef altogether	29 lbs.
July	9	Beef altogether	22 lbs.
July	16	Beef altogether	28 ½ lbs.

July	23	Beef altogether	21 lbs.
July	30	Beef altogether	22 ¼ lbs.
Aug.	6	Beef althru. Our Beef.	21 ½ lbs.
Aug	13	Beef althru Thom.	23 lbs.
Aug	20	Beef Althru (Ashes)	18 ½ lbs
Aug	27	Beef Althru	19 lbs.
Sept	3	Beef Althru.	23 ½ lbs.
Sept	10	Beef Althru	25 lbs.
Sept.	17	Beef Althru	20 ½ lbs.
Sept	24	Beef althru.	23 lbs.
Oct	1.	Beef althru. (Armon's)	18 lbs.
Oct	8	Beef althru	18 ½ lbs.
Oct	15	Beef althru	22 lbs.
Oct	22	Beef Althru	<u>18 ½ lbs</u>

Aug 6 Weight of our Beef Ring 440 ½ lbs {Below it reads: was 430/70}

70 ½ x 9 = 630 ½ Paid In.

Weight dressed

		Wei {page cut off, likely reads: weight}
1st	Animal Was. W. Brooks	53 {cut off}
2nd	" " W. Hood.	49 {cut off}
32d	" " W. Boynton	52 {cut off}
4th	" " J. Thomspon.	47 {cut off}
5th	" " J. Calvert.	
6th	" " W. gohn's	
7th	" "	
8th	" " W. {Above it reads: Walter} Brooks.	410
9th	" " D. ash.	
10th	" "	
11th	" " W. Brown	478
12th	" "	
13th	" " H. Smith	
14th	" " G Padget	476
15th		
16th		
17th		
18th		
19th	" " W. Ness	399

20th		
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1913 June 3 Ring Opened

June 3 rd .	No. lbs. beef.	22
June 10 th .	No. lbs. beef.	25
June 17 th .	No. lbs. Beef.	31
June 24 th .	No. lbs. Beef.	28
July 1 st .	No. lbs. Beef.	25
July 8 th .	No. lbs. Beef.	23 ½
July 15 th .	No. lbs. Beef.	22 ½
July 22 nd .	No. lbs. Beef.	18 ½
July 29th	No. lbs. Beef.	25 lbs
Aug. 5 ^h .	No. lbs. Beef.	24 lbs
Aug. 12 th .	No. lbs. Beef.	19
Aug 19th	No. lbs. Beef.	26 ½
Aug 26 th .	No. lbs. Beef.	33
Sept. 2 nd .	No. lbs. Beef.	36
Sept. 9 th .	No. lbs. Beef. {Above it reads: {Rob?} W got sick}	No Beef
Sept. 16 th .	No. lbs. Beef.	25
Sept. 23th	No. lbs. Beef.	25
Sept 30th	No. lbs. Beef.	22 ½
Oct 7 th .	No. lbs. Beef.	19
Oct 14 th .	No. lbs. Beef.	23
Oct 21st	No. lbs. Beef.	23 ½

499 – 478 = 221	499
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		Weight.
1st	Animal Was W Ness	523
2 nd	Animal Was W. {Brooks?}	
3rd	{Illegible}	571
{Illegibly faded}	Boynton	470
{Illegibly faded}	{Brown?}	409

The turn's

June 1st	Will
June 8th	Mr Thompson
June 15th	Alex
June 22	Mr Vanhorn
June 29	Charlie
July 5	Will
July 13	Mr Thompson
July 20	Alex.
July 27	Mr Vanhorn
Aug 3	Charlie.
Aug 10	Mr Thompson
Aug 17	Mr. Will
Aug 24	Charlie
Aug 31	M. Van Horn
Sept 7	Will

Joe Bond 6 lbs.

{Written vertically in right margin: Aug 24 we should have put our beef in but he was sent back & W Gohn put his in & Walter Brooks put his in Aug 31st.}

Aug 24 We should have put our beef in but he was sent back + w John put his in + Walter Brooks put his in Aug 31st.

1914 June 2 Ring Opened

June 3rd	No. lbs. beef.	26 ½
June 9	No. lbs. beef.	33
June 14	No. lbs. beef.	27

June 23	No. lbs. beef.	27 ½
June 30	No. lbs. beef.	28
July 7	No. lbs. beef.	19
July 14	No. lbs. beef.	23
July 21	No. lbs. beef.	19
July 28	No. lbs. beef.	31
Aug 4th	No. lbs. beef.	20
Aug 11th	No. lbs. beef.	29
Aug 18th	No. lbs. beef.	28
Aug 25th	No. lbs. beef.	31
Sept 1st	No. lbs. beef.	28
Sept 8th	No. lbs. beef.	25 ½
Sept 15th	No. lbs. beef.	22 ½ x 417
Sept 22nd	No. lbs. beef.	19 ½
Sept 29th	No. lbs. beef.	24 ½
Oct 6th	No. lbs. beef.	21
Oct 13th	No. lbs. beef.	<u>12</u>

489 – 409 = 80 \$120 pd. In. 489

{Written vertically in right margin: (\$7.20 paid In.) 1914}

1915 June 1 Beef. Ring Opened

June	1st.	No lbs beef.	22
"	8	" " "	22
"	15	" " "	18 ½
"	22	" " "	23
"	29	" " "	37

July	6	" " "	30
"	13	" " "	31
"	20	" " "	19 ½
"	27	" " "	24
Aug	3	" " "	30
Aug	10	" " "	22 ½
"	17	" " "	25
"	24	" " "	19
"	31	" " "	25
Sept	7	" " "	31
Sept	14	" " "	30 ½
Sept	21	" " "	30

Sept	28	" " "	25 ½
Oct	5	" " "	30 ½
"	12	" " "	<u>20</u>

macroons.

coconut cookies

½ cup Butter

1 ½ cup w sug.

2 eggs

1/2 lbs shredded co. {coconut?}

2 cups flour

1 ½ teaspoon B {baking} powder

1 teaspoon Vanilla

mix Butter sugar Beat

eggs add W sugar & Butter

add coconut sift B.P {baking powder} & flour into ingredients

a little salt

drop on Buttered pan into modern oven

1929

May 16 New Marshal mattress

" 16 John & Jim Russel

Thurs, went away fishing

June 17th Daddy went to Alex's

18 for a visit

1915

May 12 John took Blackie and Lilie down in york sold for \$55. + \$75 = \$1.30

May 12 teacher came over for \$85.

May 10 let cows out on grass.

May 11 Mr Rae was here.

May 8 John & I went to city } Conduct No-73}

~~Oct~~Nov.14 Mary & I went to Buttonville calling at Duncan & Kelly's

~~Oct~~ Nov 16. We killed one pig & 15 chicks came out from under the pig pen

~~Oct~~ Nov. 28 5 Chicks came out from the H. stable

1916 Feb.8 moved pigs in new pig pen.

Jan 15 Alex enlisted & 17th he put his sut on 18th he got his watch. he was 18 yrs.

Feb.9th I was at Hoopers Red Cross Alex came home, he & John went to Carnival and myself.

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1928

Sept, 8 Jean left her Office & came home till

Oct 12 5 Girls & 4 Boys came out from the city and gave Jean a Kitchen shower.

Nov 29 {Laura} & Gertie took {illegible} was a beautiful day and we enjoyed a day {illegible}

1927

May 18th Alex Young. Will Rodick John & Newton took the frame of the old cowstable down.

May 4 The boys started the foundation of the hen house.

" 24 Put up the frame and

The 26 Newton went up to the Hill for lumber

" 27 Laura & Norman went to Markham dance ({illegible} Star)

June 2nd + 3 Mr Jarvis & his two men were here putting up the frame {margin reads: fine day} of the implement shed.

June 14 Gertie + Laura went down to Wexford to the Institute.

" 15 There were 17 of us went to Colonel Deacon's to the Institute meeting had a nice time.

1927

June 26 John, Della, Dorothy Daddy & Mother motored to Barrie and Belle went.

27 Jean & Janet French

Monday {Below it reads: morning} Florence & Katie Craig & Laura motored up to see Marguerite & Jack.

Aug. 14th {Below it reads: Sunday}. Douglas + Gertie John + Isobel Laura Della + Daddy motored up to Meaford

Aug 16 Florence Amos Mrs {illegible} Effie & Alfred Amos called

1929

June 12 Mrs Boone Mary Rodick Mrs Burr Laura & Gertie mother motored to Locust Hill to the East P. W. M. J. all day.

June 11 Newton went to Hospital for Appendicitis

June 25 came home 2 weeks

1924

April 6 The Mission Band had there Quilting here it was a beautiful day.

" 19 It rained + snowed all day, was very cold the ground was all covered with snow.

May 6 Kelley's new hall at Buttonville was opened There were about 175 there

June 30th Ila Weighill had her Recital it was very cool.

" 7 Uncle John fell through the barn floor, the boards were loose and Tipped with him.

" 16 He was able to come downstairs himself but was very weak.

July 12th (Sunday) John motored Uncle John Daddy & Ma down to Mount Pleasant to see Uncle Jim's Monument.

July 14 The S.S. held there Union Pic-nic at Kew Beach

" 28 Harvey Colland & man painted the Barn

1925

Sept 1st Mr Mantle & Fleming came back to finish up

" 7 Mr Mantle Fleming & Hardy finished all up on Sat, Sept 12th.

" 22 Mr Jarvis & his two men came back to work.

Oct 1st The Carpenters finished there work complete.

1927

March 29 W. Brook A. Young & Douglas Hood helped the boys to take down the frame of the horse stable.

Will Rodick

Jim McQuay

Bob Pinder

Bob Thompson

Charlie Bryan

Albert Aster

Douglas Hood

{Following three names surrounded by curly brackets}

Mr Frank Jarvis

Art Russell

Allen Ramer Carpenters

We had 23 for supper It was a fine day we had supper at 5 O'clock Then it came on rain
John went to Wexford

1924 to a Dance.

May 27th We had the Barn Raising There were about 200 here. I had 65 pies

125 Tarts

20 Cakes

1 Fruit Cake

10 Dozen Buns

And different kind of cookies

3 Ham's

35 lbs Beef.

The weather became very hot after this we could scarcely stand the heat it kept very hot
till June 9th. Then it turned a little cooler.

June 18 The Carpenters finished

" 19 We had a Dance there were around 250 here It came on rain about 10-30 and rained very heavy. They danced till 2-30

" 29 The first load of Hay went in the new barn.

April 20th Mr Jarvis & Art Russell were here 1/2 day put door on in the {kitchen}

April 21st The men were not here it was to cold and wet.

" 22 Mr Mantle & Fleming

" 23 Mr Hardy came

" 27 Mr Hardy was here alone

" 27 Mr Jarvis, Art Russell, & Allen Ramer took down last Barn it had been up 50 year's It was a very cold day Will Brook Bob Thompson & Douglas Hood helped

May 1st The men were not here it was to wet.

" 6th The three carpenter's were here & took down north Barn

Mr Rodick

Henry Hooper

Will Lealties

Will Brook.

Alex Young

Douglas Hood.

There. were 21 of us for Supper John stepped on a nail and had a very sore foot for a few days

May 19th Mason's finished the wall.

" 19 John & Newton went up to Ratcliff's for Lumber

" 22nd Laid foundation of Barn

Ed. Fierheller

Bob Cook

Ernest Lucas

Frank Hand.

Will Clark

Jonnathan Calvert

Henry Hooper

Jack Ash

Alex Young

Gordon Scott.

Helped to unload first car.

Jack Thompson

Will Brook.

Albert Aster

Charlie Hooper.

John Broson.

Feb, 25 It rained & was misty

" 26 It turned very cold & Blustery

" 27th It was very cold the second car of Gravel came.

" 27th	2 Loads	Newton
"	2 "	Bob Cook.
"	2 "	Charlie Hooper
"	2 "	Will Rodick
"	1 "	Jim McQuay

"	1 "	Bob. Thompson
"	1	Clive Burr
"	1	Harold Cunningham
" 28	2 "	Bob. Cook.
" "	1	Ruben Stiver
" "	2	Newton Brown

17 loads in Second car.

Those who helped unload car.

Albert Aster

Bob Pinder

Will Brook.

Will Leathers

Jack Young

Henry Hooper

Clarence Scott

Charlie Hooper.

March 26th John took shingles & roof boards off barn. very hot.

April 7th Ploughed out trench for foundation

" 9 Put up windmill Mr Brown from Toronto & Ken, Prentice

" 13th The Mason's started to work Mr. Fleming & Hardy

" 15 Mr Mantle came

" 13th Mr Jarvis + man here 1/2 day

" 13 " Less {Leslie} Hood & Alex went down to the city for Lime.

1927 Sunday visitors

March 27 Isabel Scott, Viola & Ruth Walker. Edith Craig

April 3rd Marjorie Mansfield

" 10 Lucy Gregson 77 McFarland Ave. Toronto

" 17 Lucy Gregson

Ken {Greatrisks?}

" 24 Norman Reid

" Jack & Marguerite

May 8 Jack & Marguerite

June 12 Marian Evans

Jack & Marguerite.

June 26 Norman Reid

" " Gordon & Ivy Wilson called

July 24th Mr W. Irwin his two son's called. and daughter in town

" 31st Bill + Annie Laurie

Jack & Marguerite for tea

Mr Ward & his wife & Jean Laurie called after Dinner and took Annie up to Jackson's point.

1924

Dec, 30	1 load Sand for the Barn
" 31	1 " "
Jan, 1st	2 " "
" 3rd	2 " "
" 5	4 2 Teams
" 6	4 " "
" 7	4 " "
" 8	4 " "

" 9	4 " "
" 10	<u>4</u> " "

30 Loads

Feb 23 1 Load it rained {Above it reads: Newton} heavy all day

" 24	4 "	Newton
" "	3 "	Douglas Hood
" "	1 "	Jack Young.
" "	2 "	Charlie Boynton
" "	3 "	Will Boynton
" "	3	Bernard Stiver
" "	2.	Clive Burr.
" "	2.	Jack Ash.
" "	1	Ed Fierheller

22. Loads Gravel in first car.

Sunday visits

Oct 2 Gertie & Douglas Dinner

" " Marguerite & Jack Dinner

Nov 20 Mrs Galloway called

Dec, 4th Helen + Mary Rodick

Dec 11th Alex & Marion

1928

July 19 Ken {Beatrix?} Tea

26 " " Tea

March 4 Gertie & Douglas Dinner

" 18 {Don?} Walton

" 25 Isobel Scott

April 8th Bob Thompson Norm Reid

" 29 Jack & Marguerite

May. 6 Annie Laurie

" 13 Jack & Marguerite

" 20 Marion Evans

" 27 Jack & Marguerite & Baby

Alex & Marion

Gertie & Douglas

June 8 Mr + Mrs Woods Douglas & Mildred stayed for tea to.

Toronto

May 5	12 butter	myself
May 12	28 lbs. 21 Doz.	Newton & me
May 19	27 lbs. 16 Doz eggs	Myself.
May 26	28 lbs. 23 ½ Doz eggs.	Ma & me
June 2	15 lbs. 16 Doz eggs.	Myself.
June 9	31 lbs. 16 Doz eggs	Ma & me.

1927

April 22 The Mission Band had two Quilts done at the Church

1927

Sept. 6. Della & Dorothy started H. S.

July 31st Mr & Mrs Laurie called & mill Hay for Jen

1927 Jan, 23 Marion Evans

Marion {Yeoman?}

Sunday Douglas & Gertie

Visitors Isobel Scott

Jack + Marguerite

1929

June 30th Sun, Jack & Marguerite Dinner

Douglas & Gertie

Bob & Jean

Alex & Marion Roy

Louis Stiver. Ken {Greatrisk}

Bill Champion. Ernie Hill

Murray Macklin Norman Reid

1928

June 6th We had our W.M.S. at the church Bob here & St John's Ladies were here & Miss Sykes spoke to us. When I came home I went up to Aunties as she was very sick. Edith & I stayed all night with her

7 I took an Electric treatment

9 " " " one 21st one treatment

12 " " "

15 " " "

10 Bob & Jean went to Guelph

10 Newton motored to the Falls

12 Jack & Marguerite were here for tea Laura Newton and myself went to Mr Burnham's to pick the paper for Dining R {dining room?} Then I went up to the Dr and took a treatment.

1928

June 13 We had a very heavy rain

" 21st Mr Burnham papered

" 22 my bedroom & Dining Room

July 4 " Picnic at High Park Helen Little was here to go with us.

" 22 Jack & Marguerite Alex and Marion were Sun {Sunday}, after noon for tea Alex & Marion stayed all night Daddy & John with them down on Mon, train

" 29 Newton with Dorothy Daddy & Ma down to Alex's Sun, after-noon

Aug 12 {Below it reads: Sunday} Mr Geo Speers + Lizzie McLean called in the after-noon

1928

April 29 John & Isobel Laura & Norman went down to Alex in the after-noon for tea

May 1st 300 chicks 54.00

" 3rd Newton got his new car {Above it reads: chevrolet}

" 6 Newton took Jean & Annie Laurie Daddy & Mother up to see Gertie then over to Unionville & Markham our first ride in his car.

.10th John. Laura Douglas took Gertie down to Hospital

14 {Below it reads: operated this date.} Douglas & I went down at night to see Gertie

20 John took Marion Evans Jean + Mother out to Maple and around to Wilcox Lake for a drive Sun, after-noon. Newton

1928

May 20 went up to Marguerite's for dinner down to Alex for tea

22 Gertie came home from the Hospital, 12 Days

" 27 All the family were home

30 Mr F. Frisby came to cement the verandah George Deukes put in the pipe

June 3 {Below it reads: + 4} Bob Jean Laura Norman John & Isobel motored to Bala {township} and stayed till Mon, night

Daddy & Mother went up to Gertie's for dinner Newton came up for us and took us down to see Fred Leaf's Tulips they were beautiful

1928

July 22nd The Y.D.S. held there {their} Skating Party at Unionville rink then came back to the Church for lunch.

Mar 4th Sun, was a very cold

" 5 blustery day & Mon, to {too}

" 21 Isobel came over and stayed till Sun, on Thurs we went up to see Marguerite at the hospital.

Mar, 28 John got his new car {Above it reads: pontiac} Daddy Gertie John & myself went to the city.

April 8 Easter Sun was a very cold blustery day Bob & Jean Norman & Laura Della & Dorothy went up to see Marguerite in the afternoon and came back here for tea after tea Bob Norman John & Newton

April went to Markham to hear Jonah preach.

9th was very cold to

10th Daddy John Laura & Dorothy went to the city then Laura went on up to Marguerite

15 came back Sun, morning

11th The Mission Band held there Quilting at the church

13 we had a snow storm

14 It rained then the wind got up and blew {Terrible?}

21 It snowed all afternoon

22 Daddy shoveled snow of Vanderah {Verandah}

22 Daddy, John, Della, Dorothy & me went up to see Marguerite & J

24 The ground was all covered with snow driving at {Above it reads: night}

25 Marguerite came down all day Daddy + John were at Oshawa all day.

1927 dinner then the 6 of us went to Jackson's Point Mount Albert Udora Leaskdale. Virginia and other parks.

Aug 29 It rained all day.

1928

Feb 15th Dorothy tried her music Examination {Examination?}

" " Mother had an attack of Lumbago was laid up for two months.

Feb 27th The Women's Institute held there cooking class up at the Church for 2 wk's {weeks}

Mar 7. They intended having a Banquet but on account of the snow storm had to postpone it.

Aug 31st Uncle John came

Sept 1st he went home at night & took John down for exhibition and we finished harvesting threshers

Aug 29 (1913) Stiver came over to repair manure spreader.

May 1915, 9th Marguerite & I went to Cook's & met Irene & Fred at the corner. Frank crook {Cook?} was out to Boyington's. Ma & Jean went to {Methodists?}

April 4, 1917. We got yellow Goose Gohn's {neighbour}

1927

Oct 19 Kelley's Hall at Buttonville was burned down.

1927

May 10th The young people's Society motored up to D. Square and gave a very nice program and they provided the lunch. John. Laura. Newton. Della, Dorothy {Between lines it reads: were up} she played a selection on piano

" 14th The first meeting of the young womens Institute was held here there were 21 present the rain kept some away.

May 22 was a fine day very warm

" 23 rained all day

" 24 rained till noon then cleared away

25 rained again in the fore-noon then cleared away and was very cool

June 12 Douglas Gertie & Mac, Daddy & I motored up to Mary {Ness?} and they were not home

1927

June {Below it reads: 28.29.30} The girls tried there Entrance

July 1st Diamond Jubilee 60 years

" 1st Della + Dorothy went to R. Hill {Richmond Hill?}

" 1st Norman Laura & Newton went to Thornhill field Day

July 23rd It rained all day

" 24 John Jean Daddy + I went for a drive down to the city.

July 27 John, Laura, Newton, Della, Dorothy all went to Musselman's Lake to the young people's pic-nic.

" 28 John Laura Della & I went up to Marguerite. Della stayed till Sun,

Aug, 19th Miss Mary. A. Galloway died was buried Aug 22nd.

Aug 28th {Below it reads: Sun,} Douglas & Gertie Daddy & I went up to Marguerite and stayed for {Sentence cut off by end of page.}

1927

March 25 John, Laura & Newton were up at Drew's Birthday party.

" 26 Douglas & Gertie, Marguerite & Jack & Isobel were here and we had an Oyster supper among ourselves Jean & Alex were not out as it was to {too} stormy it snowed all day. Della & Dorothy went up home with Marguerite and stayed all night. Then John & Isobel Daddy & myself went up and brought the girls home on Sunday after-noon. It was Mission Band Viola & Ruth Walker were here for dinner and for tea Edith Craig was here then we all went over to the young people's.

1927

April 15th Laura went up to see Marguerite and stayed all Sat, afternoon then she & Jean came down home on Sun,

the 16th was Easter Lucy Greyson came out in the morning and stayed till Mon night Easter Sun, Douglas & Gertie Daddy & Mother motored up to Marguerite. after dinner and stayed for tea it was very misty coming home

April 12 Started to work on Land

" 21st finished seeding

May 4 & 5 They took the old mill down at Buttonville Will Elliott fell and was badly hurt Len Hood took him down to the Hospital in the truck he was there till the Last of July

{Left margin reads: They had a dance up at the mill Aug 9 John Newton Laura went. Richmond Hill}

1926

{Entry begins mid-sentence} was buried at our church it turned very cold + windy and froze very hard. that night.

April 20th The boy's took down the old hen house

April 21st Douglas, Gertie, Laura & myself motored down to the city and each of us got new hats.

May the 4th The boys started to work one {on} the land Douglas & Gertie were here for tea. Jack & Marguerite came after tea Marguerite stayed here till Thurs.

June 20th Jack & Marguerite Douglas & Gertie Dorothy & myself motored to Jackson Pt {Point} we left in the afternoon.

July 4th John. Della, Dorothy, Daddy and myself motored to Woodbridge & Brampton in the afternoon

June 20 Della had the measles, we did not have any rain till July 9 when we had a shower.

Dec 11th Mr James Galloway was buried

1927

Jan 13 The Orangemen had a dance in the Hall at Unionville Isobel came over in the afternoon and stayed till Mon, night.

Jan 19th Daddy & John motored to the city.

Feb, 14 Mr Leaf took the old Orange Hall down at Brown's Corner's. It had been up for 50 years.

Feb, 15 The young people of Brown's Corner's United church had a skating party at Markham Rink after the skating party they went up to Mrs R. L. Stiver's and had lunch.

1927

March 7th Jack & Marguerite motored up to Sharon to there {their} new home. On

Friday March 11th Douglas & Gertie John & Mother motored up to see them.

Nov, 17th 1926

Laura had her tonsils out she went to St. John's Hospital came home on the 19th \$60.00

1929 April 27 got Electric thresher

May 29 got the chickens

July 16 Dorothy went to Grimsby Beach with the Ber. Woods

" returned

1926

March 30 Ma & Daddy were up at Gerties with the new driver, it was a lovely day.

Mar, 31 we had one of the worst storm in many years it snowed & rained all day never let up. And

April 1 it snowed nearly all day it did not rain turning colder at night.

The 3rd it snowed all day and at night the wind was very high.

The 4th was Easter Sun, it was a lovely day

Easter Mon, it snowed all fore noon the afternoon was very nice

April 7th Mrs Hugh Leaf died, was buried on the 9th it was a lovely day the water was {running?} all over the road up to the bridge.

April 14 John & Ma drove over to see Marguerite in the fore-noon she was sick with the Flu. In the after-noon Mr. W. H. Brown {Sentence is cut off by end of the page}

1928

Oct 6+7 Jack & Marguerite & Baby stayed all night from the M. Fair

14th Jean & Annie Laurie & Art called to see Jean in morning

21st Mrs + Mrs Job & her two sisters called in the afternoon for tea Lorne Dinner Chris Kennedy Douglas Woods Norman Reid Mildred was here from Frid{ay} night.

Nov 29 Douglas & Gertie took Daddy & I to the N. W. Fair it was a beautiful day we enjoyed it very much.

Mr Bert Brown

367 Landsdowne ave Toronto

Mr Harvey Brown

217 Garden Ave Toronto.

Mr Jas Brown

29 Wood Street Toronto.

{Line drawn horizontally across the page}

Alex # 778410

Eron's # 778312

Loddie # 778295

Joe #

Mac. #

{Front of clothes-line company business card covering entries}

1928 May 1st Planted some potatoes

86.80

225
<hr/>
59.05
235
<hr/>
56.70
500
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Meat Brine

Salt the meat put in barrels let stand a day or so. make Brine

to each pail water add 4 lbs Rocks salt

1 ounce salt Peter

1 " soda

1 Pound Brown sugar

Boil & let cool then pour over meat be sure to cover well.

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{Back side of business card covering entries}

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May 6 first treatment

May 14 second "

{Right margin reads: 100 75 125/75}

Cover meat with 4 lbs {Below it reads: Rock Salt} each pail water 10 ounce Salt Pete

1 " " Soda

1 Pd {pound} Brown Sugar

Boil cool

1913

June 4th. J. Coxworth came out in the afternoon & went home {Between lines it reads: in the morning, Pa Drove him to the car.}

June 6th. June 5 papa & him were driving all day Long. & I harnessed molly at night and was driving her around alone went over to the {fifth?} for Bicycle.

June. 6 went Back with Bicycle June. 6. had terrible Blustery storm & blew silos over

June 7 Papa & John went to V.S. for Money.

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May 6 Papa Newton & I went to Markham to Dr Hare for the first treatment 1915. had a letter from Uncle John also

May 15 planted potatoes in orchard 2 rows Newton's along East side &. second hill on the north side of second tree from south. Newton planted his mangles {Between lines it reads: (May 15)} Laura planted her corn on same date

April 30 Will came over for John's eggs 1 ½ Doz.

May 14 Will came over for " 5 Doz.

July 6th we got Lightning rods on Bill came over at night Irene Hood phoned down wanting me to go up to Geneva park with her on Monday July 10. 1916)

Oct 15 Teacher came down to see pullets &

Oct 17 we made a bargain.

Oct 17 Newton was sick

Oct 16 papa went to the sale at Stongs &

18 papa went to Padgets for to see potato digger

Dec. 13 W. Ghone came over to see Roosters. & offered 12 ½ per lbs alive

Jan. 4 Mr. C. I. Stiver was here for Dinner.

Jan 5. J. L. & I went for a drive down thru smith mills & so on.

May 12 I drove up to {purntz?}

May 24 put Cows out on Lane.

May 24 & 26 put mangles in

May 26 I wanted to stop taking music Lesson for a while.

May 26 Marg. {Marguerite?} got her tablets from Azalia.

May 25th 1913 Grace was here May

May 18 Rhea was here

May 25 Marg. Jean & I were over to Aunties

June. 1st. Auntie was over to Aunt Maggies and called in here at night

brought little colts up.

Sept 23 brought big colts up.

Sept 29 Auntie & Myrtle was over.

Sept 30 papa started fall plowing.

Nov. 22 finished our potatoes

Nov. 23 it turned very cold & snow. & froze up for good,

Feb 20 Also I went to Lunan's party.

Feb 22 it rained hard &

Feb 14 & 11 & 12 were beautiful april like days. 1913.

Sept 9th 1915 Alex & I were down to the exhibition in the afternoon & evening. We threshed on Tuesday the seventh.

Sept 8 1915 the Gospel team came out & stayed until 11th.

Aug 1st Papa went to Van-Horns & Boys went to Walker's.

Aug. 5 put Heavy fly nets on horses,

Aug 5th papa went over to Whites to buy pigs &

the 6th boys went after them,

Aug 6th upset load of wheat on the lane and John & I went to Unionville at night.

Aug 8th. Mrs. Routly was here for butter. and I went to Hood's at night and I drove papa up to the school meeting That was the night they measured the fence and counted it up.

Aug 8 Mrs Routly was here &

Aug 12 she was here again

Aug 20 Papa was sick & I put cows down the Orchard for the first.

Sept 21st papa stowed wheat.

" 21st John Laura & I went to Unionville

Step {Sept} 28 Newtie & I went.

sept. 25 I went up to Mrs. Sandersons.

Aug 26 We had a very violent storm in the afternoon.

Aug 28. Mr. Fleming was here with Anton

Aug 18 Was first for papa to notice something, in Della's head. Feb {Above it reads: 1912}.

Feb. 25 1913 Mr. Prentice & Mr. Burr was here all fornoon the piano agent.

Apr. 17 1913 alex started on Land Doll & King

april 18 pa & Alex were both on Land pa. had {illegible} + Dolly

}May 6 {Below it reads: 1913}11 little pigs arrived one Died.

May 15 Mamma was going to the city.

May 14th funeral Mr Brook

1916. May 8 pa & I went up to see Mr Hood

9 I planted the dalias & other seeds.

May 7 Rhea was here Mary & {seller?}, boys came over at night

T. MARCH 7th R. APRIL. 13th L. S.

april 23 in the morning the ground was covered with snow & Hood's & Wallen's started on the land

april 25 we started to work the back field and

april 30 we sowed oats and finished it

The first of May was nice & warm.

2nd. of May we started to plant onions in the garden

May 9 was a cold wind &

May 13 was very cold & a very strong wind & a few snow flakes.

May 16. 17. 18, 20, 21 was very rainy & wet but 19th was sunday and it didn't rain until about nine O'clock

June 4. 5. 6. 7. was middlin cold but still there was mild days.

Last week or so, of June & July part of first was very hot & dry.

July 9th we started haying & finished July 23 in the afternoon

1927 200

May 20 John got {illegible}

19.29 april 27. I got the Electric washing machine

June 17 Charles Jarvis started to work here.

{Written over previous entry upside-down: 65

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J.B.

a farmer bought 125 bu {bushels?} of wheat at {number overwritten several times}

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April 5 it was very warm and

april 6 the water never was as high

april 7 was raining and it was Easter Sunday churches were all closed a round here then
Monday was cold and Tuesday Morning the ground was covered with snow

April 12 was the most like a spring day & evening.

April 14 there was a big thunder storm at night & Monday was very close and hot.

{Back cover of diary}

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