1888
Octr 30 Frosty Morning fine afternoon Stewart helping
" 31 very fine Finished Turnips good crops & Roads
Novembr 1 To Fergus with Lamb to Mills. Warm at Shop
" 2 Thompsons Threshing. Rain
" 3 Spreading Manure. Started Plowing in
" 5 " Kelsey here. Plowing. more Sheep here
" 6 " " " " " Finished very fine
" 8 Rain all day Manure Plowed in
" 9 Last the the harvest rain since spring
" 10 Misty & Rain Plowing on flat in
" 14 Plowing. Grand weather for season
" 15 Drawing wood in afternoon very warm
" 16 Stewart Threshing. Cold & Frosty
" 17 " Finished. Plows stopt by Frost
" 18 Stormy & quite a fall of Snow
" 20 Snow & Frost 2 Nights at Fergus with Chop Snowy pare Richardson here
" 21 Minnie Smith died at Watkins for Georges Cold
" 23 at M. Smiths Funeral. Went to Salem with Stewart
" 24 Snowy forenoon Eaves away
" 27 With Load of Turnips 6 W.S. Soft. some rain
" 30 Cold with little snow
December 1 Smiths threshing finished
" 3 at Fergus with Chop & grist Snowy Armstrongs Sale
" 4 Cutting and Drawing wood
" 5 Killing a Pig helping Milnes to Thresh
" 6 D. Milnes threshing got more Sheep J. Cairncroft with it
" 7 Finished. " Mild Fine and Fair
" 8 Milder but Fair and Pleasant and mild
" 10 Cutting & Drawing wood & Sawing Bench Beautiful Weather
" 11 To Christmas Fair at Fergus Sold Heifer 2 Bull
" 12 & 13th very cold Blustring
" 15 Melder Mixed Rain & Sleigh repaired & and ask

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December 16 Raining all Day
" 17 Misty & warm
" 18 Froze up again
" 19 Examination at School No 2 very Cold X
" 21 Winter began Snowing and drifting Cold
" 22 Down to Zero this Morn Clear Bright Day
" 23 Fine. James J. here
" 24 very Fine to Fergus
" 25 Rain & misty all day
" 26 " " " " Snow away
" 27 Froze up again
" 29 very fine Chopping in Swan p
" 31 Some Snow. Mild year ends without Sleighing

(31) Morning Cold Thermr Even 0 at 9

But been a fine season only 3 rainy days since Oct

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January 1 the year opened fine Moderate day
" 2 to Fergus. brother to Poor house to Eliza J.
" 5 These 3 days have been wonderful for the season
" 6 Road very. Mary Baptized
" 7 Sleighing at last about 4 inches of Snow at the Sawmill
" 9 Raining heavy. at Sawmill
" 10 a great storm Roads Blocked. High wind blown down Suspension Bridge at the falls. But weather this now was the finest for years
" 11 Broke the Roads out through the Fields to J.
" 12 & 13 Clear & sunny
" 14 very Fine & Clear killing Pigs at Thomps
" 15 Clear But cold. Down to 2 Zero Rain broke up
" 16 Heavy rain all afternoon & night Sleighing
" 18 Cold & very. Killed heifer for Thompsons
" 19 " " " " Went to Fergus.
" 21 Snow & Sleighing again

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January 22 & 23 Fine. Clear & Sunny
" 24 To Fergus with Chop. for Horses all down
" 26 Jas Clark here the last 4 days have been extra Fine & warm for this winter
" 27 Fall of Snow
" 28 " " Drift. killed 2 Pigs
" 29 Cold Zero again. Clear
" 30 at Guelph with Porth & Addo Snowy
February 1 Some stormy and drift
" 4 a little Snow every day slight Soft. Ice thick
" 5 John Scutt & Stable Cold & drifting
" 6 11 below Zero this morning
" 8 To Fergus with Chop. Drifting
" 9 " " for " Drawing Slabs 69 $
" 11-12 Snowing & Drifting again bad roads
" 13 Drawing wood from Swamp. Below Zero Clear & Cold
" 14 to Fergus drawing Slabs for J.G. lots of Pitch holes
" 15 Some Milder Cleaning up wheat
" 17 a thaw to day & yesterday
" 19 Great fall of Snow to day & yesterday 14 in heavy drifts
" 20 at a Evenings Sale Cold & drifting
" 21 Fine at Fergus fair. Price & Jos Williams & Jas Cairncroft
" 23 yesterday and to day terrible drifts Connection full
" 24 Bitter Cold last Night -30 Below Zero Below to day
" 25 To Fergus w. Eliza & Joe. Milder
" 26 Snowing from the East Drawing straw for Mayfowy
" 27 Soft and very Pleasant
March 4 Moving Kelsie the Past 5 days Stormy fine & sunny
" 6 Still fine at Fergus with turnips for Kelsie
" 7 Cold & raw
" 9 this 2 days very drifty in some cases the worst of the Winter but not Cold

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March 11 Soft & fine at Fergus with Chop Horses (Cattle) Drawing
" 12 " " " " " " "
" 13 Colder at Fergus with Grist. Sawg Eliza J. at S.
" 14 Cold East wind. took J.G. home first Sunday
" 15 Still fine. Snow going fast
" 16 at Belwood with Lumber to Orr
" 18 at Belwood & J. Garvin Sleighing now gone Fine
at Belwood. Warm. used last of Cabbage
" 19 at Lot of Snow went to Jas Williams farm
" 22 Still fine at Funeral of C. Bulls Child Wheels
" 23 Last Sleighing. but 5 ins Rain or Snow for 2 weeks
" 25 James J. Came to saw wood. Fine
" 26 Sawing wood & killing Pigs at Thompsons
" 28 Heavy frost last night and Flurries of Snow
" 29 Finished sawing ties. Cold all day
" 30 Cold. to Fergus with wheels first Time this
" 31 Snowing all day about 3 inches fell
April 1 Bright and Cold. Sleighs running
" 3 a Thunder storm this morning. then a Snowstorm
" 4 Sleighing again this Morning. Voting on the repeal of Scott act. Repealed by a majority of 1860 Carried by 1348 majority. J. Smiths Funeral
" 5 Snowing nearly all day
" 6 & 7 very warm Snow going fine
" 8 Easter fair. Prices Low. Some Plowing
" 11 to Fergus with Chops. warm. Planting rain
" 12 Clears. helping Brooks to Cut. hay
" 13 Plowing general. Hard Frost last night Cold
" 15 Started Plowing after a mild & a day winter 2 Nights
" 17 Sowing Oats. Swamp & field below tracks (Cattle) Dry
" 19 Sowing Peas. very warm
" 20 Gang Plowing. Farm's land. worn & dry. going

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