

William Beatty (1806-1897) 1867-1871

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Beatty,

Walter

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to December 1870

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Nov	1	Billie drew stones for Mr {illegible} in the forenoon I shoveled ditches went to a dung bee of B Youngs this morning
	2	Billie went to Gananoque for some wool & the fullcloath got a coat cut I made a door for the horse stable & other fixings
	3	no meeting to day rein this afternoon

4	drew sand to the orchard & put it around the trees where I took the mulching from and banked the house with it I found a good many Borers in the trees there was a very high wind last night & most of the day
5	Billie drew sand in the forenoon for Sam Sheapard he helped Mr Cornet to kill hogs in the afternoon I went to examine a place for a Bridge across the Wiltsy creek on sixth concession of Lansdowne little rain
6	Billie plowed in the new land the ground is very dry I thrashed some of the buckwheat in the morning I dug the carrots in the garden very cold day hard frost last night
7	Billie plowed in the forenoon drew sand to the orchard & put it around the trees took away the mulching
8	drew more sand Thomas Scott came here last night he plastered the cistren this morning drew wood in the afternoon
9	I went to Young with Ellen & Jennie stoped at GramMoms all night the roads is first rate little rain this morning went to caintown heard the Revd Mr Burdon preach
11	came home to day took dinner at Wm Hazelwoods
12	Billie went to Andrews for brick for George Graham I fixed a little around some of the trees in the orchard
13	Ad & Billie picked up some wood in Armstrongs wood in the forenoon Billie plowed in the afternoon hard frost

		last night I am very bad with stomach
	14	Billie plowed in the new land Some showers of snow this afternoon the ground is very dry
	15	Billie helped Hump Young to draw stones for A well from our place

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	16	Snowed about 2 inches last night & this morning Billie drew some wood fluries of snow to day
17		the Revd Mr Wallas preachd this forenoon in the Schoolhouse Snow this afternoon
	18	Billie took 4 Ewes to Mr McCrones to the Sow Ram put 6 the Socities South down Ram & 10 to our own lamb Billie went with the Slaugh
	19	cleaned up 13 bushel of Buckwheat the Boys drew some wood I am very bad with my Stomac
	20	Snowd&blowed most of the day rain this afternoon no work I have done nothing Since I came from Young
	21	Billie helped Ben Younge to thrash & Billie helped A Cornet to thrash very foggy &

		mistie
	22	
23		Billie helped James McMullin to thrash mistie & warm the Snow is nearly gone the Slaughting is gone
	24	no Meeting to day fine day Roby Beatty come here last night for Mary She has been here since Ellen & I was down there they went home to day
	25	Billie helped J McMullin to thrash this forenoon H. & J. Johnston thrashd for us in the afternoon little rain to day
	26	finishd thrashing ours this forenoon Cristie & Humphery Young J McMullin We J Turner B Warren & A Cornet helped the wheat & oats turned out well to the Straw heavy rain last night James Richardsom put the eve troughs up on the North Side of the house 43 feet tronees & mpart paid him \$4.30c or at the rate of 10 cents per foot
	27	Billie plowed finished the new field Ad cut soms wood at timber he brock his ax Cleand 6 bushel of wheat for the mill 4 of buckwheat
	28	went to Leeds & laid out a road in the 4 concession I did not get home till friday I Stopped a the Tavern all night & had a great deal of writing to do Ad went to mill with 6

		Bushel of wheat . 3 of Buckwheat
	29	Billie plowd North of the old house in th forenoon drew Sand for samuel Sheepard in the afternoon heavy rain and all night
	30	very hard frost last night the ground is frozen no plowing very cold day
December	1	Went with the Revd Mr Green the Bible agent to the McCrone Schoolhouse he came here last night with the Express & Stopt all night the roads is very rough & hard frosin the waggon makes great noise
	2	I went to the Station to the Council & took 4 affidavits for killing sheep with J Coak cold day Billie drew some wood
	3	Billie helped John Johnston to thrash very windy so that they had to Stopt I mended Shoes & boots
	4	Billie helped J. Johnston to thrash he finishd I abled
acording Ryen there will be 45 Stormes this quarter	5	Billie & Ad drew some Stones for the foundation of the old house I finished cobling fine day wind very light & from Southeast & South west at bedtime it was north

{December 6 - December 21st are transcribed on this page from typewritten transcription stored at Upper Canada Village archives - there are no scans of these pages available in RDA at this time for verification/proofreading} 1867 December

Dec	6	began to take down the old house but it blowe so hard that we had to Stop it Snowed and blowed most of the day
snow	7	got the roof off the old house & all the long logs down
8 snow		no Meeting to day very hard frost there is no Slaughting little snow
	9	laid the foundation for the old house & drew up all the short logs & put them up it is south of the barn for a Stable
snow	10	Killed the hogs very cold with high wind from the north a little Snow
snow	11	raised the old house & got half the roof partly on very cold day with a little Snow in the morning
	12	fixed come Slates for the windows drew 2 loads of wood from Armstrongs woods very poor Slaughting
	13	the Boys went to McCrones for the Ewes that was there at the Ram very cold day Salted the pork
	14	drew wood from Armstrongs it has been very cold weather this week as cold as any we had last winter
15		the Revd Mr Wallase preached in the Schoolhouse

	16	fixed a wood rack for the Slaugh cold day Ad went to Young with Bill Younge
	17	Billie drew wood from Armstrons I cleaned out the Barn & thrashed some peas little Snow Ad come home to night
	18	drew 6 loads of Stones for J. Weston Ad & me quarred them very cold hard frost it was a hard job to get them
	19	Ad & Billie cut some wood in Armstrongs woods I thrashed some peas cold day
	20	drew 4 loads of Stones for Weston Stormed most of the day a little Snow then Sleet wind South
	21	drew 4 loads of wood from Armstrong I fixed a chain & Some timber in the Shop Snowd about 4 inches after dark with wind

{December 22nd - December 31st are transcribed on this page from typewritten transcription stored at Upper Canada Village archives - there are no scans of these pages available in RDA at this time for verification/proofreading} 1867 December

22		no Meeting to day heavy rain & quite a thaw Snow nearly all gone
	23	very high wind last night Snow this morning fixed the old house so as to get the rafters to come together it was out of Square
	24	tharshed some peas then Ad & Billie choped Some wood in Armstrongs woods

	25	Rain & snow then rain so that there is no slaughting
	26	put new pins in the slaugh& others fixings
	27	cleaned up 8 bushel of wheat & 8 bushel of Buckwheat Isabla& William Curtis came from Mallorytown on the cars last night they were at Young in Christmas day Rob brought then over to Mallory town with the Slaugh there was no Slaughting here the roads is entirely bare
	28	Ad went to Gananoque with a grist of 8 bushel of wheat & 6 bushel of Buckwheat with the waggon
29		the Revd Mr Auld preachd in the Schoolhouse
	30	I made some spikes for to fix the caseing in the old house hard frost went for the Dr Elsworth to See Bessee She hurt her knee on christmas day
16 stroms this month	31	drew in the Stack put part of it over the horses & the remainder in the Barn in the forenoon Billie drew wood for J Weston in the afternoon with the waggon

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1867	Dec 27	{illegible} sow took Boar J. Bradley Feb 15
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1868	Jan 2	{illegible} sow &&
1870	Jan 4	sow to Cooks
{illegible}		3 went to Keaton offered him \$25 as compensation for the
April	7	{illegible} in a order with Bylaw No 231 \$ 1 {illegible} 4
	X	went to Tennents& Fergusons laid out a road between the fifth & sixth concession of Leeds from Lot 21 to letter A in Lansdowne 4
{illegible}		{illegible} at the {illegible} of Leeds 1 50
	24	opened the Keating road 1
1869		
Jan	21	received payment for the above
1870		
March	24	Laid out a Road between lots N 7 X 8 first con Leeds 2.
Dec	20	examined allowance of road between 1 & 2 Con {illegible} Lansdowne between lots No. 14, 14, 16,

		17, & 18 1 50
1871		
Jan	13	receive payment for the above

1868

Jan	1	snowed all day no work done snowing six or eight inches deep Mrs Lafayette came here last night
	2	I went to old Mr Pecks with Mis Lafayette with the slaugh then put the Black colt in the harness he went well fine day
	3	drew 1 load of wood the horses sliped on the ice so that they could not draw Blacker lost a shoe got one on Ad Elen Jannet Wm Curtise & Mrs Austin went to Young this afternoon intending to go to Brockville to morrow fine day
	4	very high wind this morning with snow & heavy drift no work the roads is nearly full
	5	no Meeting to day
	6	went to the School house & voted for the old council no stir went to Escot with J. Cook Mr Darlin is runing against R.Fields Fields has cut off a good many of Mr Darlins voters
	7	Ad came home from Young to day they went to Brockville yesterday I went to Mallorytown to meet

		Rob Beatty he is bying the old place from Harvey they had gone home came home at 10 oclock
	8	finished the peas & went to the shool meeting John Purves was put in Trustee Douglass to get 20 cords of wood half hard & half soft at 6.11 per cord little snow at night
	9	clean the peas had 13 bushel measured in the basket snowed about 2 inches last night heavy wind & drift to day the wind was from the west this morning then south then north Ad went to Delta yesterday came home to day/
	10	drew wood this forenoon Ad went to Gananoque
	11	Do Do Do went to Young Elen went with him fine day went the Agriculture meeting was elected President again
12	snow	no meeting in the Schoolhouse the Revd Mr Carrol preached in the church little snow this morning
	13	drew some wood I killed 25 turkies we intend to go to Kingston

1868 {this is February}

	1	Billie got home from Brockville this morning I spooled & quilled little snow with wind Ad came home
	2	no Meeting to day little snow with heavy wind

3	stormy this morning a very cold I spool & quilled
4	Billie went to Marble Rock Mill with 3 bags of wheat 2 of Rye & 2 of Buckwheat he went with Henery Young & there teem Ad went away again Humphrey Young took Doll to the Road to work with trip
5	Dr Richman his Wife & Miss Ferguson came here on a visit a fine day
6	snow & wind most of the day I quilled
7	Do Do Do
8	fine day the roads very bad
9	snow & wind no Meeting to day the roads is blocked up
10	no stir to day yet
11	there has no tems been on the roads yet the drift was so great that the roads is compleatly blocked up the boys is going to school I am quilling the wind was in the south then the North from that to East then west
12	Robert Beatty came here with a grist to go to Gananoque Mill last night him & Billie went there to day very stormy this morning fine day afterwards
13	Roby went home this morning very stormy with snow this afternoon I quilled

	14	snow this morning the Boys at school I quilled
	15	storming this morning Billie got B.Youngs horses David, Isabla Vestus Hicock & his sister came here this afternoon. John Scott John Robinson & Jane Armstrong came up with the Express
16		no meeting to day David & Hicock went home
	17	very stormy day it snowed & stormed all day & drifted so that there is no trains
	18	the train is of the track at Robinsons, last night Express is not here at 10 oclock fine day John Scott John Robinson & Jane Armstrong went away on the Express at 8 oclock P.M.

1868

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Jan	14	Went to Mr Purvis in Pilsbury stopt there all night {illegible}
	15	went to Kingston with 23 Turkess got 2s.6c snowed a good deal Miss Purves went with me stoped for tea at Mr Starks got home about 11 oclock
	16	Ad & Billie drew some wood snow in the afternoon
	17	Ad went to A Bee of Mr Fullerton drawing wood from F Ogradys I fixed an old harness for Ad little snow

18	Ad went to Young for a cutter & to see Luther Shipman he is going to collect for him I went around the station callouting Shool Bill paid my own it is \$7.60 Billie drew wood with doll & cristies youngs Maire little snow
19	no Meeting to day Ad came home
20	Ad went to L. Shipmans to get a cutter from Leader Wm Curtise went home to day on the Express he as been here since Christmas
21	Billie commenced to go to school I quilled fine day
22	I spooled & quilled Ad is gone on a collecting tour for L. Shipman
23	Do Do A little snow
24	Do Do Do
25	we got horse from B Young & drew a small stack of hay that Ad bought of Jas Gilbert we had 3 small loads of it paid four dollars & fifty cent for it a little snow with cold wind
26	stormy day we did not got to meeting
27	the Boys is going to school I spooled & quilled
28	Do Do

	29	Do Do
	30	Billie went to Brockville with Henery Young & Jas Gilbert had doll & Youngs Nell I spooled & quilled
	31	Do Do snow & wind

1868 {this is June, not January -- needs to be put in proper sequence}

June	19	Drew up the sleepers from the old house in the forenoon went a hoeing Bee of James McMullins in the afternoon
	20	Billie took the 2 year old colt to an lland to paster to give \$2 for the season I went to Austins with the stone & worked at the stable Revd Mr Gordon came here to day & Revd Mr Baike went Gananoque
	21	the Revd Mr Gordon preached in the Schoolhouse I took him to Reeds Schoolhouse & heard hime preach Lester Landons funeral sermon the house was full
rain	22	drew 3 loads of stones for S Sheapard it rained then
rain	23	Do 4 Do Do Do Do Do rain
rain	24	Do 6 Do Do makeing 2 1/4 cords they wear stones that Sheapard borrowed from Tricker I drew them for Sheapard little rain
	25	drew 200 bushel of sand for George Grahm I helped Billie to load fine day

	26	I went to A raisin of Wm Moors it was all day Wm Hazelwoods young people hear this afternoon very warm day David came home
	27	Billie drew 2 loads of lime for George Gramh from Croses I think 50 bushel
28		the Revd Mr Baikie preached in the Schoolhouse this morning warm day
	29	drew stones for the stable & plowed the potatos I put in 2 sleepers & did other fixings at it
	30	drew 5 loads of stones for A Fulerton in the forenoon I helped I went to a raisin of John Sheapard Billie went for A load of lime heard that there was none & did not go all the way

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Feb	19	fine day I intend to go to John Youngs with his son Christopher here last night with B Youngs young people went to Sam Youngs stopted there all night
	20	got to John Youngs this afternoon the Roads is very heavy had to get out of the slaugh& tramp the roads they were drifted full {illegible}
snow	21	little snow very cold
	22	John Young went with me to Greenbush to see his son Humphrey he was not at home very cold

	23	no Meeting here to day
	24	went to Greenbush got dinner at Humph very cold day
	25	John Young brought me home to day stopt at Sam Youngs got dinner got home about 5 oclock all well Ad was at home
Snow	26	& drew some wood with B. Youngs horse
Snow	26	I quilled little snow
Snow	27	Do Do Do the roads is very bad
	28	made a shuttle & quilled
snow	29	made another shuttle & quilled a little snow & drift

14 storms this month

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March	1	No meeting to day clear & cold in the forenoon very cloudy & black to the North & East
snow	2	very hig winds with snow & drift I quilled
snow 40 storms last quarter	3	I quilled the boys at school fine day with a little snow

42 storms this quarter	4	Do Do Do Do
	5	fine clear day wind south southwest Ad came home
rain	6	rain all day wind same as yesterday
rain	7	rain most of the day there is quite a thaw
8	8	the Revd Mr Wallers preached in the Schoolhouse the roads is all in a swim
	9	fixed some buckets looks like suggar weather
	10	Ad taped 30 trees it dose not run much ran the wheat through the fanning mill had 39 1/2 bushel put 20 in the corner bin
	11	went to Gananoque to the mill with 16 bushel of wheat took 16 bushel to 41 lb of butter got 20 cents per lb bought 25 lb of oatmeal 5 cents per lb 8s.9d for cotton yarn & 90 c for 5 gallons of oil
rain	12	cleaned up 20 bushel of oats to take to Younge to exchange for seed with Rob Armstrong it was kind of sleet & rain
	13	{this entry is blank, not faint}

	14	very bad with a cold went the station to a trial of three persons by the name of Chelcies Robert Webster James Pamerter Joseph Cook J P. was there the were turn over to the Court of Queens Bench Ad started to go to Young with the slaugh got as far as the hill at Websters & came back again the roads was to bad
15		No Meeting to day
rain	16	heavy rain all day the snow nearly gone
rain	17	sowed and bored some bunks & fixed the boreing machin rain at night

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March {illegible}	18	worked at the bunks very windy heavy rain last night with hail this morning
	19	hard frost this morning drew some dung to the orchard I went to Mallerytown in the cars with the Widow Austin & went with her to Thomas Tennents came home on the Mixed at 10 oclock
Snow & rain	20	snowed about 2 inches then rained & snowed most of the day sawd bunks & drew dung to the orchard went with the slaugh for bushel of coal to Reeds for of coat to Reeds for A Fullerton
snow & rain	21	worked at Bunks bored & made stakes snowed & rained

22		the Revd Mr Auld preached in the schoolhouse & the Revd Mr Carrol in the church fine day
	23	worked at Bunks & drew the rails that was in the midle of the north field to the midle field hard frost this morning boiled 12 pails of sap in the Bush
	24	worked at Bunke & drew the remainder of the fence hard frost with a north wind all day very cold
	25	worked in the sugarbush fine day
	26	worked at bunks is at school
began to Plow	27	drew some stones of the North field in the forenoon got A Cornets plow in the north field it plows fine I worked in the bush
	28	worked in the shugarbush Ad plowed a little fine day Elen & Jennet went Lyn on the cars
29		no meeting to day
	30	worked in the sugar bush Ad plowed & began to put up the midle fence in the midle field the ground is drying very fast
	31	made 2 whipeltrees& fixed the stove door Billie plowed Ad went to Gananoque very warm day

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April	1	Began to sow & sowed 4 1/2 bushel of oats North of the house & east of the path from the rock to the old house the ground is in fine order drags well
snow	2	sowed 2 bushel of scotch wheat that we got of John Young East of the path opposit the old Barnstead & 5 ridges of the old Barnstead sowed timothy & clover on it there was quite a snow storm this afternoon
snowed in the night about 1 inch	3	the Boys bored Bunks in the forenoon & billie plowed in the afternoon I went to see J.E. Keaton by orders of the Council & to pay him what I thought right for a piece of land for a Road on his place I offered him \$25 what I thought was right
	4	went ot the Revd Mr Aulds with George White to see a Deeds signed could do nothing without another J.P. Billie plowed in the afternoon snow all gone
5		no Meeting to day Mr Wallace is sick
	6	went with J Cook to Oliver Landons to see his Wife sign a deed issued an attachment against Martin Rape for Dr Elsworth it was settled by payment Billie went to Younge with oats for seed the ground is hard frozen
snow {illegible - but was Thomas Darcy} Magee was shot in	7	went to the fifth & sixth concession & layed out a Road stoped with Ben Herbisons all night it snowed all day &

Ottawa this morning		part of the night Billie got home to day
	8	came home to day the snow is about 4 inches deep fine morning snowed &blowed in the afternoon
	9	drew some wood from the sugarbush the slaugh run well fine day
	10	drew 2 loads of hay from Thomas Bradleys 1200 cwt & 10 in the other snowed & stormed most of the day
	11	worked in the Bush the Boys cut some wood in the sugarbush the snow nearly gone rain and snow at dark with high winds
	12	no meeting to day very hard frost last night & cold today
	13	hard frost last night clear & cold drew 2 loads from the old house & then drew stones of the north field drew all the stones except of rige gravel that was not put up

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April	14	Picked some stones of the orchard in the forenoon plowed below the old house in the afternoon hard frost this morning
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rain	15	no frost this morning plowed in the 2 field northeast part I boiled sap in the bush Ad chopped some Elem tops
rain	16	fine morning rained about 10 oclock & light shows most of the day bought a plow from R.B.Webster he got 7 from Ogdenburg price \$10.50c plowed a little in North field
	17	Ad plowed in North field Billie & me put up some fence in the midle of the 2nd field
	18	Ad plowed in North field we fixed bunk & put up some fence
19	19	the Revd Mr Wallas preached in the Schoolhouse & Revd Mr Carroll in the church in the afternoon
	20	Billie plowed in the north field I worked in the garden
	21	Do Do Do Ad left this for Guelph this morning by the 3 oclock train Edward Young went with him to Toronto I went to John Ivies with Mr Gillhadie he heard that he had 300 bushel of potatos for sale he had none fine day
rain	22	Billie finished plowing the north field then he plowed below the old house rain about 11 oclock P.M.
	23	the ground is covered with snow this morning & snowed &blowed till 10 oclock wind N. East very

		cold storm
	24	got 800 of hay from J.Bradley finished plowing at the old house this forenoon plowed the garden
	25	commenced sowed 6 bushel of oats on the sod North field East center cold day met the Revd J.P.Baikie at the station he has come to preach for us this summer
26		Revd Mr Baikie preached in the schoolhouse in the forenoon I took him to Reeds Schoolhouse in the afternoon
snow	27	sowed 4 bushel of oats in the North field snowed in the afternoon
	28	plowed in field below the house in the afternoon the snow was better than 1 inch deep this morning
the woods begin to look red	29	finished the field this forenoon & draged 1 ridge in the north field we then sowed 5 1/2 bushel of peas & barley below the barn it draged very well
rain	30	sowed 2 1/2 bushel of wheat in the new land rain in the afternoon

1868 I got 1/2 bushel of Timothy seed from John Ivie price \$1 dollar

May	1	plowed in the midle field North East part
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	2	sowed 3 bushel of wheat in the New Land that makes 5 1/2 in all there sowed grass seed on it sowed 1 1/2 bushel of wheat below the old house
3		the Revd Mr Auld preached in the schoolhouse in the forenoon & the Revd Mr Baikie at 6 oclock& the Revd Mr Carrol at 3 in the church
	4	sowed 1 1/2 bushel of wheat below the old house that made 3 in all there warm day sowed 4 1/2 bushel of peas in the North field
rain the woods begin to look green	5	rain this morning Billie went to Mallorytown got one Bushel Midgeproof wheat that David paid 3 dollars for it came from Peterborough he brought a load from Escott for Mr Hueston he is going West
{illegible} bushel peas	6	plowed North of the house the ground in good order
	7	sowed 4 1/2 bushel of peas in the north field that makes 9 bushel of peas in all frost last night very cast day
	8	plowed the headridges in the north field & sowed 1 bushel of oats on them that makes 11 bushel of oats on that field got 500 of hay from J.Bradley this afternoon
23 bushel of oats	9	finished plowing North of the house & sowed 5 1/2 bushel of oats North of the

in all rain		house ground very dry
10		Revd Mr Baikie preached in the schoolhouse little rain
	11	sowed 2 1/2 bushel of oats below the rye or between the rye & ditch & a pailfull of flax seed heavy white frost very cold for the season
	12	plowed in the midle field North of the rye & draged below the house for the corn & draged the garden planted the East & south ridge with sweet corn & the ridge next the house with carrots cold at night warm day
rain the trees is got quite green with the rain & heat {illegible} seemed stand still last week	13	planted corn north 3/4 of an acre of the house Billie finished the plowing in the midle field that finishes our plowing for the spring sowed nearly 1 bushel of Midgeproof wheat on the 3 ridges south of the North ditch center field a fine rain at 6 P.M.
	14	Billie helped J Bradly I planted 2 bushel of peach blows {variety of potato}
rain	15	Do Do Do Do 1 1/2 bushel all below the Barn fine rain this evening

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{May}

May rain	16	Billie helped T. Bradley with the team I fixed the grapes & treer they look well the Sand that we put around them last fall has killed the clay fine growing day little rain to night Sowd 3 drills of turnip by the old shop in the garden
17 rain		the Revd Mr Auld preached in the morning & the Revd Mr Gordon in the afternoon in the School house very heavy rain in th afternoon
	18	rain most of the day the Revd Mr Gordon was hear all night he went to Mr Thompsons for dinner
	19	mowed the garden fence East 3 rods & plowed it the ground is so wet north of the house that we cannot plow East of the path Billie got 500 of hay from T Bradley
	20	drew 5 loads of Stones & 30 bushel of Sand for F Dean H McKeye helped in the forenoon drew Stones of the orchard in the afternoon I laid a floor in the wood shed
rain	21	Billie helped J Jonston to drag he only worked a little while very heavy rain most of the day the ground is begining to flood
rain	22	rain today workd at the Bunks
	23	atended the council tried 2 cases of Sheepkilling Wm Douglass & R McNiel

24		the Revd Mr Baikee preachd in the Schoolhous
	25	fixed a floor in the cookhouse or rather the woodshed little rain to day
	26	took stove into the woodshed fine day
	27	washed the Sheep & fixed some of the fence midle of the midle field
	28	went to Gananoque to mill took 11 1/2 bushel of wheat bought fifty lb of oatmeal & 50 of indian meal received \$7 for Sheep casess from the Treasur
	29	Sowed 3 bushel of wheat 1/2 bushel Buck wheat the ground is in good order
	30	finishd the fence midle of the midle field atended the Council & tred A Cornets Sheepkilling with J. Cook
31		the Revd MrBeakie preachd & the Revd Mr Wallace

1868 {have included a table that was from a scan many pages back for June 19-30}

{June}

June	1	Sheared the Sheep A Cornnet helpd a little rain but nothind to hurt
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2	Bille helped J Johnston with the teem plantd 5 1/2 bushel of potatos below the house the ground is in very good order
3	Billie helped C Young with the teem finished the potatos
4	went to funeral of Mary Greer daughter of Tho Greer the Revd Mr Carrol preach there was 36 teems it was a very large funeral the wind is South & Southeast fine day
5	the Boyes helped A Cornet to planted potatos
6	drew stones to the Stable the Revd Mr Gordon came here from Gananoque fine shower to night
7	the Mr Gordon preachd in the School house
8	began to work on the Roads at Johnstons corner
9	worked Do Do
10	Do Do Do
11	we got \$10 from the Council to put on the Roads
12	workd on the Roads
13	worked half the day on the Roads that finished the work Sowed better then a bushel of Buckwheat the

		ground is very dry fine weather
14		the Revd Mr Baikee preached in the School house in the forenoon afternoon
	15	fine Shower last night & this morning drew Stones of the medow North field
	16	tried scraped a celler for A Fulerton took off the first Sod but could do no more it is a puttie clay & the Scraper would not work went through the corn with the cultivator
	17	went with Revd Mr Baikie to Mr Keers & Mr Darling very warm day the Boys workd at the Corn
	18	finishd the corn & drew stones to the Stable & under pined it

1868 {this is June, the scan is not in proper sequence}

June	19	Drew up the sleepers from the old house in the forenoon went a hoeing Bee of James McMullins in the afternoon
	20	Billie took the 2 year old colt to an lland to paster to give \$2 for the season I went to Austins with the stone & worked at the stable Revd Mr Gordon came here to day&Revd Mr Baike went Gananoque
	21	the Revd Mr Gordon preached in the schoolhouse I took him to Reeds Schoolhouse & heard hime preach Lester Landons funeral sermon the house was full

rain	22	drew 3 loads of stones for S Sheapard it rained then
rain	23	Do 4 Do Do Do Do Do rain
rain	24	Do 6 Do Do makeing 2 1/4 cords they wear stones that Sheapard borrowed from Tricker I drew them for Sheapard little rain
	25	drew 200 bushel of sand for George Gramh I helped Billie to load fine day
	26	I went to A raisin of Wm Moors it was all day Wm Hazelwoods young people hear this afternoon very warm day David came home
	27	Billie drew 2 loads of lime for George Gramh from Croses I think 50 bushel
28		the Revd Mr Baikie preached in the schoolhouse this morning warm day
	29	drew stones for the stable & plowed the potatos I put in 2 sleepers & did other fixings at it
	30	drew 5 loads of stones for A Fulerton in the forenoon I helped I went to a raisin of John Sheapard Billie went for A load of lime heart that there was none & did not go all the way

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July	1	David, Billie Elen & Jennet went to Mr Darlins to go on the Boat to Brockville George went fishing with them to the river I sorted the wool & other choring about the house
hoed part of the potatoes	2	mowed a little front of the house the grass is driing up very fast the boys & girls did not get home till day light this morning very warm weather hoed part of the potatos
	3	Billie drew a load of lime for A Fullerton Dave & me Blated & quaried some Stores
	4	Billie got the horses Shod I intended to go to Young this afternoon went to Younge took tea at Wm Hazelwoods then went Granmoms stopted all night there
5		went Caintown & heard a free curch Minister
	6	came home from Granmoms this forenoon mowed some in the orchard
rain	7	drew Stones for A Fullertor seller little rain to day
	8	drew 150 bushel of Sand for A Fullerton celler little rain

	9	drew Stones for A Fullerton
	10	drawing loads of hay from the orchard put it in the granary mow Billie helped J McMullin to load hay
	11	drew in hay from the orchard I atended it volunteer super{supper} that was given to them by the Municipal council
12		the Revd Mr Auld preached in the shool house the Revd Mr Carrol preached to the Orngmen in the church in the afternoon
	13	preached in the morning Mowed the orchard Mr Bilton was hear this afternoon on a visit
	14	finished mowing the orchard & mowed some in the 2 feilds it is very poorly seeded
	15	drew in 4 loads of hay of the orchard that makes 7 loads in all put in the granery mow
	16	James McMillin mowed with his mower in the North feild& mowed round the fences Billie worked for him

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July	17	finished mowing the North field with J McMullin Billie raked with the horserake
	18	drew in hay put 2 loads in the new stable 1 in the old stable & 2 in the Barn little rain to night
19		the Revd Mr Baikee preached this forenoon
	20	drew in loads of hay put 1 load in the new stable & 1 in the old I cut all in the 2nd field
	21	I mowed round the new land two swaths
	22	went to Gananoque with Wat Wife she is going Mitchel she went on the steem Boat to Hamilton I got 100 of flour \$4. 58 lb of oatmeal James McMullin mowed part of the new land
	23	drew in 6 loads & put it in a stack I finished the mowing all but some of the fences
	24	finished the topping of the stack & cut some of the Rye it rather green heavy rain this afternoon
	25	cut some of the Rye Billie went to Young with David he was going to Delta he got a telagram from Wat to be in Toronto by tusday he has got goverment Job of surveying
26		the Revd Mr Bakee preached in the schoolhouse

	27	cradled the oats East of the path below the house Billie drew 3 loads of sand 45 bushel time 75c then drew in R Ennises hay it is very smokey & the sun is like a ball of fire
	28	cut some of the Rye Vestus Hiccock brought David & Isabla & his sister David is going to Toronto to meet Wat he has got a goverment job of surveying he left by the 3 oclock train
	29	I worked at the Rye a few drops of rain
rain	30	worked at the Rye in the forenoon drew in the oats they are in fine order
rain	31	finished the Rye & cut some of the Scotch wheat a little rain his afternoon

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{August}

August rain	1	Rain this forenoon cut some wheat in the afternoon Billie went Gananoque for Isabla
	2	the Revd Mr Bakie preached in the schoolhouse
	3	drew in the Rye & cut the rest of the Scotch wheat dry weather
	4	began to cut the Black See wheat at the old house

		it is a fair crop
	5	workd at the wheat fine day
	6	cut some of the wheat on the new land
	7	rain to day I thrashed some of the Scotch
	8	more rain to day thrashed a little more wheat I am not able to much I over did myself cradling the Rye Billie cut the Barley
9		the Revd Mr Bakee Preachd in the School house this afternoon
	10	drew in wheat to day I mowed some of it drew it in the same time
	11	cut the oats west of the Path to the well Humph Young helpd a little rain
	12	drew in the oats west of the path this afternoon cut some of the in the north field
	13	workd at the oats in the north field a very poor crop
	14	Finishd cuting the oats & got them all in the Barn they are very short

	15	Billie helped Charley Armstrong to cut oats I thrashd some wheat
16		the Revd Mr Bakie preached
	17	thrashed some wheat & cleaned it had 7 bushel from 160 sheaves good wheat
	18	went to Gananoque to the mill with 7 bushel of wheat fine day
	19	Billie drew 3 loads of sand 1 of stone for for John Weston \$2

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August

August	20	little rain last night began to hook the peas they wear to wet us had McMullins pea harvester & Samuel Johnstons they work well Billie cut some of the wheat then we drew Stones for Fullerton
	21	workd at the peas fine day J Coslow help
	22	Do Do for Cristie Young
23		Revd Mr Kear preachd for Mr Bakie
	24	finishd the peas & cuting the wheat

	25	drew in the wheat & drew some Stones for Fullerton
	26	went to Gananoque for my grist Billie drew stones for the underpinning of Thompsons Shed they are for H McKee he has the Job
	27	Charles Roth thrashd 25 bushe of Barly & Peas 42 of wheat 58 of Rye
	28	cleaned up the floor & drew in the peas a few drops of rain the afternoon
	29	I went to Gananoque with J McMullin & got the grey yarn & got Dr McCrum to look at Beses knee he gave me some powers for her tinter {tincture} of lodine to rub on it paid 3.9 pence for it. Billie drew 4 loads of Stones for Fullertons celler& 2 loads of Sand for H McKee to Thompson
30		the Revd Mr Keer preachd for Mr Bakie
	31	drew stones for Fullertons celler that finished it heavy rain to night

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{Sept}

Sept	1	Drew dung to the midle field East line I worked at the truck waggon at the Blasmith shop
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	2	worked at the truck waggon Billie drew dung
wind south south East	3	drew 4 loads of stone for Joseph Bradley the wind south & south East fine day
	4	drew 4 loads of Stones to Bradley that makes 11 loads for Bradley or 2 cords then we drew 3 loads in the afternoon to Mitchel celler
	5	drew Stones for Mitchel Celler
6		the Revd Mr Bakie preached & the Revd Mr Auld
	7	drew 1 load band for Westin & 120 bushel for Mitchel
first rain in this quarter	8	helped Ben Warren to thrash Billie went to Gananoque with 12 Bushel of Barley & peas got them ground for feed got home at noon then he come to help to thrash & I went to Brockville to atend the Court Elen went to See her Mother walked from Mallory town heavy rain to night that is the first rain
	9	Billie & Geordy helped Warren to thrash I came home to night on the mixed heavy rain the morning & most of the day
	10	Drew stone for Michels celler I went to a meeting at the schoolhouse for the purpose of trying to build a church at the station I offered to give a lot & stones & sand & there was over 400\$

		subscribed for it Wm Clow & his Wife came hear on a visit
	11	drew stone for Mitchels cutter sleigh McKay helped Wm Clow & Wife went home this afternoon
rain	12	Billie drew stones I went to Gananoque for the fullcloath got a coat cut took the Revd Baikie up & brought the Revd Mr Gorden down with me had A Cornets horse a little little rain this afternoon

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{Sept}

Sept	13	Revd Mr Gorden preached in the schoolhouse this forenoon Billie took him Reeds in the afternoon brought him back again
	14	drew dung to the midle field fine day
	15	Do Do Do Do Do
	16	drew stones for Joseph Badley fine day
	17	drew Stones for Robrt Mitchel Heugh Mckee helped to quorrie
	18	began to Plow in the midle field for wheat I cut some of the Buckwhat helped J McMullen to thrash

	19	I helped James McMullen to thrash Bille plowed
20		the Revd Mr Beakie went to preachd but it was so wet that no person came to the Schooll house it faird up about 2 oclock & he went to Reeds
	21	Billie & George went with Mr Cornet to his Fathers to thrash I went to Hamilton to the Provincial Exhibition to purchase Sheep & a hog for our Socitie got 2 bushel of Midgeproof wheat at the Station that Adam Sent from Howick
	22	Billie got John Johnston to Sow the wheat
	23	heavy rain to day
	24	drew Stones for Robrt Mitchel
	25	raind all day
	26	drew 3 loads of Sand for Mitchel & 2 loads of flour for Robert Ennes 3000 I got home about 12 oclock at night from Hamilton & brought home with me 1 hog \$28.1 leiseister \$25 1 year old 1 Cotswould \$40. 1 year old lieseister lamb \$30 Sowed 2 bushel of rye
27		went to Reeds heard the Revd Mr Willson of Kingston preach & he had the Sacrement
	28	thrashd some of the Buckwheat Billie plowd Adam Turner Died I helped to lay him out

	29	Charles Armstrong came & got our thrashing machin Billie made a traid with him for a buggy & harness Billie plowd in the afternoon
	30	drew 2 loads of Sand 30 bushel line 35 in all 75 went to the funeral of Adam Turner the Rev Mr Smart preachd there was 42 buggy & waggons at it he was buried at Robinsons Billie helped to Bradly to thrash

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{October}

October	1	I Helped T Bradley to thrash Billie Plowed
	2	Do DoDo Billie finishd plowing for the Rye I Sowd it 2 1/2 bushel & that I helpd T Bradley
	3	to thresh in the forenoon I then Sowd 1/2 bushel of Rye that 6 1/2 bushel I went to an Agriculture meting
4		the Revd Mr Smart preachd at the Schoolhouse in the afternoon he was here all night I went to Reeds with him
	5	Billie went to Gananoque with 4 bushel of Peas 2 Barly & 8 bushel of Scotch wheat to the mill I shoveled the wheat & Rye & attend a meeting to Build a church
	6	cleaned 2 bushel of Rye & 2 bushel of Scotch wheat for the Show 9 bushel of BlackSee for the Mill Billie plowd north of the Rye in the midle field

		East line
	7	went to the Faire at Gananoque & Stoped to an Musical intertainment for the benifit of Sabeth School got home at 2 oclock
rain	8	atended at the Station there was a little rain this morning but it turned out a good day afterwords Hazelwoods & the two Robs was here Rob Beatty & Rob Armstrong Jenney Robson & the Girles stopted all night
	9	the Young folks went home this forenoon I thrashd some Buckwheat Billie plowd below the house
	10	Billie plowed below the house I helped Joseph Bradley to move his Shop up to his house
11		the Revd Mr Smart preachd in the Schoolhouse in the forenoon Billie took him to Reeds in the afternoon
	12	Billie plowed in the forenoon him & George helpd Cornet to thrash in the afternoon I helped Ben Younge to thrash from 10 oclock high wind
	13	thrashed at Cornets & Youngs fine day
	14	finished thrashing at Ben Youngs this forenoon we went to James Shepards & began to Stumped we are to Stump the field & burn the Stumps & work it for three years he is to find half the Seed do half the thrashing & get half proceeds we are to get the other half for doing the rest of the work plowing

		harrowing & harvesting & help the thrashing
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{October}

October	15	Worked at J Sheepards burning & Stumping
	16	Do Do Do Do Bille & George thrashed Buckwheat
	17	Billie plowed in the North field west side I thrashd Buckwheat
18		no Meeting this morning the Revd Mr Carrol preachd in the afternoon & the Revd Mr Auld at 6 oclock at night
little rain	19	Billie plowd in the North field the ground is very hard & dry I finishd thrashing the Buckwheat the Revd Mr Baikie left on the Express he receivd one hunderd & sixteen dollars for the time he was here sixty five fifty of that was made up at Reeds & fifty dollors & fifty cents was at the Station he ought to have 9 more Aunt Betsey McDonald & aunt Barbarry Watkins come here
	20	Billie plowed with forenoon he borrowd 10 bushel of oats from A Cornet last night I cleaned the Buckwheat had 14 1/2 bushel the aunties went away on the Exprese to Mallorytown
first	21	thrashd peas Stormed all day Snowing & blowing

snow		
snow	22	Snowing still I fixed the harness very cold
	23	thrashed Some peas for the hogs shut them up
	24	drew Sant to the Stable in the forenoon drew 3 loads of hay for George Grahm from Joshua Giblets about 2 1/2 tuns fine day
25 rain		went to the Ebenozzer church heard the Revd Mr Auld preach rain this afternoon
	26	drew Sand to the house in the forenoon Billie went to Escott for the Colt it Strayed away a month ago he plowed in the afternoon we dug potatos fine day
	27	Billie plowed in the North field I went to David Johnston auction there was a great many people then bought nothin
	28	dug potatos Billie plowed fine day
	29	Billie plowed I finished diging the potatos George helped Hugh McKey to quarry I pulled the turnips
	30	Billie plowd I pulled the carrots George helped H. McKey to quarry hard frost this morning
	31	Billie plowed in the forenoon I finished the carrots they are good rain this afternoon with heavy wind

		George helped H McKey he is raising Stones for the Church
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{Nov}

Nov 1		Revd Mr Auld preached in the schoolhouse heavy rain
	2	Billie plowed in the North feild the ground rather wet I worked at the stable flooring in the forenoon went to the council tried 3 sheep cases H Landon Dunovan & Aron Donne
	3	Billie plowed the North field west corner I mended shoes got 5 tops from J Sheapard
	4	Drew 1 load of stones for Geo Gramm then sand gravel for {illegible} shed & 1 load of gravel to Westons
	5	Billie began to plow at Shepards George piled stumps at Shepards I laid out a road at the townline of Leeds took dinner at A Clendening
	6	Billie plowed at Shepards I shoveled some watter furrows where the plowing is done fine weather for plowing
	7	drew in the potatos all we had in one load Billie & Jennet & Jerem Chalhoon went to Young this

		afternoon they Started with the Singlee buggy & broke the Spring. got J Johnston buggy. I threshd some peas
8 rain		no Meeting to day rain all day
rain	9	rain all day worked at the Stable alittle they got home to day
rain	10	very heavy rain last night & all day the ground is in a Swime with So much rain
	11	Billie plowed at Sheepards with Charles Armstrong Iron plow I fixed the irons & did other tinkering
	12	hard frost last night Billee plowed in the after noon in the north field he is trying the plow for the plowing match I thrash Some pens
	13	Billie went to the plowing match it was on George Pecks farm he took the first prise of the Boys there was 3 boys & 6 men plowd fine day
	14	Billie went to Crosses for 8 bushel of lime paid 2 dollors for it the roads is very bad I thrashed peas
15		the Revd Mr Auld preachd in the Schoolhouse at 7 PM
	16	Billie went to a plowing Bee of James Choulhoon he got 2 shoes on bluer I workd in the Blacksmith Shop in the forenoon then atended a suite at the Station betwen Landon & McCormick & Rape for trespass

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Nov

Nov rain	17	I helped James McMilan to put up Bails for his cows Billie drew Stones for the Stable in the forenoon went to a bee of Henery Youngs to draw Stones for a ditch at Thompson a little rain
rain snow	18	there is two inches of Snow this morning rain & Snow all day no work
	19	worked at the Stable Billie drew 5 loads of Sand fine day
	20	plastered part of the Stable fine day
	21	worked at the Stable in the forenoon fixed the School house in the afternoon Purvis & Findley helped we put props to the back of it H. McKey built & plasterd
22		no Meeting to day
	23	killed the hogs & worked at the Stable let out the Rams took 2 Ewes to Cornets & 2 to Roths
	24	worked at Stable in the morning went to Keating & tendered him with 31 dollers for the land taking by the Council for a road on his farm he would not take it John Stacy. Quin & Dooks was witness to the tender A. Keating & a Son of J Bradleys wittnes to the opening of ARoad the Revd Mr Green held Bible

		Socitee meeting in the evening
	25	Billie went to Escott with Mr Green this morning he was here all night I worked at the Stable fine day
	26	Salted the pork heavy rain all the forenoon Billie drew Sand for J Joseph Bradley got a sirrip Barrel from Weston to put the homes in
	27	helped John Johnston to thrash Billie drew some dung to the garden & cleaned wheat
	28	Do Do Do Do Billie went to Gananoque with 1 1/2 bushel of corn 6 bushel of wheat 25 of Buckwheat to the Mill he got 5 gallons of oil 40 cents per gallon
	29	the Revd Mr Auld preached this forenoon heavy rain last night & a little this morning
	30	Billie & m helped John Johnston to thrash very bad frost last night Billie took Blacks home to Charles Armstrong & got the colt

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{Dec}

Dec	1	Helpd Christ Young to thrash cold day
	2	Do Do Do Do not quite so cold

	3	worked at the Stable fine day the sun thawed the hubs a little very little wind it was north
wind N	4	got the Black Colt Shod on the fore feet & fixed a door for the Stable dull cloudy day
first Storm Snow or Strom 34 this quarter	5	worked a little at the Stable Snowed most of the day Bille went to Cornets with John Johnstone for our two Ewes he went with the Slaugh It is very rough
6		no Meeting to day
	7	Killed the white Cow I attended the council A Cornet helped fine day I atended the Council very Stormy this afternoon Mr J Cook Stopt here all night it was too Stormy to go home
snow	8	Billie went to Roths for the 2 Ewes that we had at the Ram there I Cut up the Cow Sold 1 hind quarter to Robrt Michel another to George Grahm \$5 per 100. 1 forequarter to R Ennis \$4.50 Stormed & Snowd all day
snow	9	thrashed Some oats for the horses Still Storming a little Robert Beatty came here to night with a cutter
	10	fixed a cutter Shaft & cross bar of Wats old cutter for the cutter that Ad had of Leader last winter we cannot find it own Rob wants to take it home

	11	drew 3 loads of wood from Armstrongs woods very cold day
	12	drew 2 loads of wood Do Do John Robson came here to night
13		the Revd Mr Auld preachd in the School house al night
snow	14	Billie & Jennet went to Gananoque with M Young & doll Geordy & Me put a good deal of Rye Straw of the Stack in the Stable lofts for beding in the Spring it began to Snow about 11 oclock Stormd all the afternoon
	15	drew 2 loads of hay from Hugh McKey 1560 in all we got it from him on a trade or rather as part price of a colt we are to get 1000 more
	16	sawed up 2 elem trees for the Stable floor
	17	Billie went to Marblerock with a log {illegible} in the Black colt he went well I sawed with the sawingman Mr McCormick a tailor is here making a great coat for me

1868 {this is from the Dec 18-31, 1868 scan at Queen's University - RDA sheet appears blank, as does book it was photographed from??}

Dec	18	Billie went to the Rock with log & got the one he took yesterday he had the Bay colts in to day I thrashed peas
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	19	Billie went to the Rock with a log he had the two colts in to day they went well I finished the seed peas warm day
20		no meeting to day all the snow & rain last night
	21	went to the Nomination to McCranes schoolteacher the put in Joseph Cook as Reeve Jo{illegible} Legg as J Reeve Thomas Darlin J Birmingham & Thomas Cornet councilmen fine day the front road is all most bear with the thaw
	22	laid part of the stablefloor put in all the stuff we had it is 1 1/2 inch elem plank
	23	Billie went to Delta with the slaugh for Isabla She is coming home the Revd Mr Baikee & elen went with him he doll & one of Charles Armstrongs horses it snow in the morning then it fined up then it stormed & blew till near midle of the afternoon
	24	I thrashed peas cleaned the seed peas first had 6 1/2 bushel or 2 barrles of them fine day hard frost Billie Elen Isabla Mr Baikee& two of the Hicocks came home about 11 oclock to night
snow	25	stormy this morning wind & snow most of the day no work done
	26	drew half a ton of hay from Hugh McKey's Miss Highcock & her Brother went home this afternoon
27		the Revd Mr Gorden preached in the schoolhouse at 1/2 2 oclock & the Revd Mr Birts preached at 7 PM

		David came home on the Express
	28	I put a shoe on Wat cutter the old one was Broke
	29	I went to Brockville on the mixed paid Mr E J Sinkler seventy five dollars the intrest due David gave fifty dollars that Adam sent
	30	Billie went to the Rock with an Elem log I thrashed oats
	31	Billie went to the Rock with an Elem log I mended the Bobslaughs & laid the stable floor

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{Jan}

Jan	1	very cold day wind north Robert Beatty & Mary & James Purvis & two of the Miss Toruners came from Young no work
snow	2	Billie drew a load of wood for McKenley I worked at a moccasins he went to Young in the afternoon with David & the Girles Snow & very cold
	3	no Meeting to day heavy wind
	4	made a moccasin in the forenoon Billie come home from Young warm day quite a thaw a little rain this afternoon

	5	drawed out the Barn floor & fixed the granary we had a Bee drawing Stones for a Church there was 24 teems & a number of loaders very warm dry we wanted more loaders
	6	cleaned the Barn floor & fixed the granery Bille went to the Rock with a log
	7	I thrashed some of the midgeproof wheat Billie drew wood for Sheeperd & Mckenley warm day Snow nearly gone
sow to Roths	8	I went to. Cornets. Cholhoons. Coplands & Roths to See the Socities stock took the old sow to Boar at Roths last night brought it home
rain	9	fixed a little at the Stable put the horses in for the first atended the annual Meeting of the our agriculture Socitie was realected president heavy rain last night & most of the day the Snow nearly gone
10		the revd Mr Auld preached in the Schoolhouse I went to the River to see about J. Gilbert issued a warrent on friday night for Thomas Chapmon & Carry Chese where Shot at Steven Holleyday & a constable Gilbert went in Serch of them on Wellses lland & we had got no word of them Sinc & could get none there
snow	11	finishd the Stable & other fxcings & went to the Station to See about Gilbert he is on the track in the States that is all that we have yet alittle Snow
	12	cleaned the midge proof whent had th full of a Barrel Henry Johnston brought the thrashing machin intend

		thrash on Thursday
	13	Atended the Schoolmeeting Mr Thompson elected Trustees Billie came home from Delta he went home with Miss Hicock alittle Snow this afternoon

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	14	Henery & John Johnston thrashed for us C & H Young A Cornet J McMullin B. Warren JH Bradley helped had 140 bushels of oats a little Barley think about 30 or 40 bushel of wheat fine day
	15	drew 2 loads of wood from Armstrongs the road is poor
	16	Do Do Do J Robsons & Mr Weed came up with the Express from Mallorytown
	17	no Meeting to day
	18	drew wood from Armstrongs the roads very poor
	19	Do Do
	20	cleaned up 10 bushel of wheat very Stormy day Snow & wind fixed a little at the Stable

21	went to Gananoque with 10 bushel of whent & about 2 of corn that is all the corn we have took annual repr up to th annual Meeting of the County Agriculture Socities bought 5 gallons of oil 28.3d per gallon & a bag of Salt 6s.3d cold day with a little Snow
22	drew a load of wood Mrs Ennis died about 6 oclock this afternoon very cold day
23	Billie went to Escott with Mr Quin to see his brother they are brothers to Mrs Ennis drew a load of wood in the afternoon I got a tooth drown I was not out
24	Mrs Ennis was buried in the Taylor buiring ground Billie took the Corps there was upwards of 40 Slaughs & cutters the Revd Mr Carrol preachd in the Johnston Schoolhouse Snow & rain in the afternoon it frose as it fell
25	Billie began to go to School I worked at bails for the stable
26	finished the bails got the cattle in to night
27	fixed for the calfs in the Stable
28	worked at Some Shuttles in grahms Shop fine day alittle Snow last night
29	finished a shuttle for S Hazelwood Billie went to young with Ellen &lsabla intending to go to Brockville tomorrow

	30	there was a meeting of the Building Committee here the afternoon it was agreed to build the church 36 x 50 feet rain & Snow
31		no Meeting to day very fine day

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{February}

Feb	1	Billie Ellen & Isabla come home from Young this forenoon they got 24 cents per lb in Bills for Some butter they had I fixed some in the Stable
	2	worked at some Shuttles old Mr Cornet died this morning wind North & northeast Billie took the little Sow to Collhous
snow	3	Snowed about 6 inches last night & is still snowing 10 oclock Snowed all day did nothing but atend to the Cattle
snow	4	Snowing Still high winds last night considerable drift this morning the Roads is very bad
	5	fixed a Shuttle I have been very bad with the tooth akhe headache Billie & the girles went the Teameeting at Reeds Schoolhouse
	6	Billie took home to A Cornets 18 bushel of oats that he borrowd of him in the fall cold day

7		the RevdMr Auld preached in the Schoolhouse this morning
Snow	8	Snowing a little Mr &Mrs Barns from Deta came hear with Miss Hicock & her BrotherMr Barns is going home to Markham we are Sending Some things to the Boys with them
Snow	9	heavy rain this morning with a fog a little snow
	10	taped Billies boots & other mending Dr Richmond was here for dinner he is looking after wood
Rain & snow	11	Billie went to Sawlog Bee of J Johnstons to MarbleRock a little rain &Snow this morning
	12	warm fine morning fixed a Side peice to the Slaugh for him to draw cordwood he intends to go to a bee of Dr Richmond to morrow
	13	heavy rain last night & most of the day with Sleet & Snow cleaned Some grass Seed no drawing to day
14 Rain hail & Snow		no Meeting to day rain hail & Snow with high winds and drift J Robson came here last night
Rain & snow	15	the roads drifted full with about 1 inch of crust rain Snow & rain all day quite warm for winter

	16	fine day the Roads is very bad I went to a sale of John Grahms he is going to Iowa he Sold his farm to Wm McNeil everything went very high Cows & heffers from 25 to 42p dollors each Billie Sold Granpa Cow to Mr Jackson for 600 split rails & timber for 1050 the rails to be split & put in piles by Jackson we are cut the timber & split the 1050 or get
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{February}

Feb	17	Stormy Day Snowing & blowing I atended on the cattte
snow	18	cleaned what oats was in the Passage intending to go to Mill
snow	19	went to MarbleRock with 18 bushel of oats & 6 of Buckwheat fine morning Show wind & drift
Snow Billie {illegible} year \$6	20	drew 2 loads of wood from Armstrongs very Stormy in the afternoon Snow & wind from South west then North East
21 snow		very Stormy day Snow Revd Mr west preach to night we did not go it was so Stormy Snow & wind
snow	22	went to Jacksons & drew 2 loads of rock cuts there is no ice or frost in the swamp we had to tramp a road

snow	23	no work to day it is the worst day that has come this winter wind & Snow from the North East with a tremendous drift the roads is compleatly filled up
snow	24	fine morning began to Storm about 10 oclock & Stormd all day Billie had to draw wood for McKinley & James Choulhoon they were out of wood the roads was awfull
snow	25	J Bradly J Johnston A Cornet Hen Webster Samuel Johnston & me turned out & brock the road from the Cross road to our gate the Side road is nearly level with the fences Still Snowing cleard up at night 9 oclock
snow	26	Snowed about an inch last night & is Snowing Stormed all day the roads is nearly as bad as ever
snow	27	drew 2 Small loads of wood from Armstrong woods in the forenoon Storming still the road & so drifted that we quite the drawing the roads is awfull
28		no Meeting to day this is the fine day that we have had for a fortnight this has been the Stormest we have had for a great many years

1869

{March}

March	1	I went to the Council it met at Westens they were granting Tavern Lisence
	2	went to Gananoque with 26 bushel of oats sold 6 bushel & got 150 of Corn meal oats 50c per bushel meal \$2 per 100 lb fine roads Rob Beatty J Robson Wm Scott from Perth Betsey Ellen Hall & Mary Beatty Came here
snow	3	the Younge folkes went home this afternoon a little Snow this morning a fine afternoon
wind SW in the morning SE in the afternoon SW at night	4	the wind is South west this morning it changed to the South East In the afternoon then to Southwest at Sundown cloudy in the forenoon clear in the afternoon fine day Billie went to Young with 32 bushel of Rye he intends to go to Brockville with it his Mother went with him
	5	fine clear morning hard frost wind South
Snow first Storm in the quarter 32 Storms in the quarter	6	Snowed about an inch last night & Snowed till about 10 oclock Billie & his mother & Mary come home this afternoon Billie went to Mateland with the rye got 72 cents per Bushel
7		the Revd Mr Auld preached this evening in the Schoolhouse
	8	fixed for Smoking hams fine day

	9	fine day fixed Some spiles for the bush rather on the thaw
snow	10	very Stormy day Snowing & blowing all day wind Northeast fixed some spiles
	11	the roads is compleatly blocked up
	12	there was a double teem come from the creek with a kind of a Snowplow& five other teems with Sloughs to the Stations
	13	Billie & Isabla & Jennet went Delta the afternoon with Doll & a cutter I am very bad with my head
14 snow		no meeting to day very high winds with a little Snow about noon it blew a hurricain
	15	filled up 7 1/2 bushel of oats & rye & bushel of oats to a bushel of Rye for the hogs & 6 bushel of wheat
	16	went to Marblerock with 7 1/2 bushel of Rye & oats for the hogs & 6 bushel of wheat got 258 lbs of flour Robert Beatty went to Gananoque with a grist he was here all night last night & to night

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{March}

March	17	Robert Beatty went home to day Ellen went with him & Mary we drew 3 loads of hay from Armstrongs 1.800 & 2 1000 wer her to get 1200 yet fine day
	18	Billie went to John Youngs for ceader George Young went with him
	19	went to Gananoque with 12 bushel of wheat got 516 lbs of flour that is 774 lbs of flour in the bin fine day & the roads is first rate but we cant get into the woods the Snow is so deep
	20	fixed spiles for the Sugarbush fine day
21 Snow		the Revd Mr Auld preached in the forenoon & the Rev Mr Correl in the afternoon Wat come home this morning a little Snow
Snow	22	worked at Sap pails Wat went to Delta he give me \$100 from Ad fine day a little Snow this morning John Younge & his wife here for dinnner
	23	worked at Sap pails fine hard frost Mr Ruben Gilles & three of the Clarks come here from Perth to night
	24	made spiles for the Sugarbush
	25	made over 300 Spiles for the Sugarbush this year we intend to work James Sheperd bush this year Mr Gilles & the Clarks went home this morning Billie went to Young this morning for Ellen

rain	26	drew 2 loads of wood from Armstrongs it began to rain & thaw this forenoon rained all the afternoon
	27	a little frost last night cleaned up the oats had about 30 bushel Billie taped 150 trees this afternoon it runs midling
28		no Meeting to day Snow is going very fast Wat & Ellen come home from Young to day
rain	29	went to the Sugarbush & cleand out the Stove trough & gathered about 20 pails of Sap & boiled it down it is hard worked to gather the Snow is so deep & Soft little rain to night
rain & snow	30	rain & Snow all day work about the house made an axehandle& fixed some buckets
	31	went to Lyn paid Wm Clow on hundred & three dollors got a note of sixty four dollors with intrest & endorsed thirty two dollors on the other note as intrest Stoped all night at J Armstrong Billie drew 1200 of hay from Armstrong that is the last of the hay he is to get on the trade

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{April}

April	1	Went to Brockville from Lyn with Norton Gardener in the Cutter came home on the Express all well
	2	drew 2 loads of wood from Armstrongs

	3	worked in the Sugarbush atended an Agriculture meating there is a fine run of sap to day put about 50 pails in the Stone trough besides what we boiled down
4		the Revd Mr Auld preached in the evening
	5	drew 2 loads of wood from Armstrongs then went to the Council Meeting hard frost last night & to day
	6	worked in the Sugarbush the Sap we put in the trough all leaked out & lost there is a fine run to day
	7	boiled all day in the bush fine day
	8	Do Do Do
Smow	9	Do Do Billie went to a Bee of James Colhoons this afternoon a little floury of Snow
	10	hard frost last night. Cleaned up the wheat put 12 bushel in the east bin & in the center bin
11		no Meeting to day hard frost last night
	12	worked in the Sugar bush the Sap runs midling
	13	Do Do Sowed grasseed on the Rye
	14	Billie got 1300 of hay from Charles Armstrong the Revd Mr Bakie stoped here on his way to Europe he

		brought us planes & spacafecation for the church
	15	worked in the S bush finishd Sowing grass Seed on the Rye & wheat 8 bbs of the Rodon Clover Seed with the Thimothy seed the wheat & Rye look well
	16	drew dung to the trees for mulching
rain	17	a little rain this morning worked in the Sugar bush fine day
	18	the Revd Mr Auld preached this forenoon in the School house
	19	heavy rain last night & this morning the boys worked at Sheepard drawing Stumps I went with Wm Armstrong to look at aline betwen him Filler

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{April}

April rain	20	The Boys worked in the field at Sheepards drawing and piling up stumps the front is nearly out I mended the old harness heavy rain last night
	21	Billie & Isabla went to Gananoque in the Buggy I fixed the old harness
	22	Billie began to plow & plowed at Sheapards there is a little frost in the ground I fxd whipeltrees

	23	Billie plowed at Sheapards I oiled the old harness & fixed them so as to rig a second team
	24	Billie plowed at Shepards tinkard in the Smithshop
25 rain		no Meeting to day little rain
	26	Billie plowed at Sheapards I got Grahms horse Shod & Shoe Sett on dolle payed 50 cents for them drew 29 bushel of Pease to Thompsons storehouse they are for the Agriculture Socitie they come from Ingarsol they are the Crown peas & to be divided among the members
	27	Billie plowed at Sheapards I worked at drag it is to be a 6 billed Squared one
	28	began to Sow & Sowed 4 1/2 bushel of Barley & peas west of the path to the well the ground is rather damp Still it draged pretty fair Billie plowed at Sheaperds
	29	worked at a drag made some of the irons Billie plowed at Sheapards
	30	finished the ironing of the drag & Sharpened the teeth in the forenoon Sowed 2 bushel of Black oats that I got from Mr Ruben Giles of Smith Falls he Sent them by rail there was a few Callico potatos Goderich potatos & cuscoss I Sowed the oats in North field first 2 1/2 ridges in the center of the field then 2 bushel of peas

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{May}

May rain	1	Sowed 4 bushel of Black See wheat on the West side of the North I likewise Sowed thimothy & Rodon cloveseed on where I Sowed the peas & Barley rain this afternoon
2 rain		heavy rain most of the day & night J Robson & Mr Weed come here last night
rain	3	rain & a little Snow mixed all day no work done very cold the woods begin to look red
	4	Billie plowed at Sheapards I planted out some appeltrees where there was dead ones cold day
	5	planted out some Mapele trees below the house a little rain to day Billie plowd drew rails at Shepards in the afternoon
	6	drew 3 loads of dung to the garden in the forenoon then drew rails at Sheapards in the afternoon Billie plowed at Sheapards
	7	drew 3 loads of bunks for Sheaperd in the forenoon Sowed 3 bushel of wheat in the North field the ground is rather wet fine day the Revd Mr Austin come here this afternoon
	8	Sowed 4 bushel of peas in the North field

		fine day the ground is rather better
9		the Revd Mr Austin preached in the Schoolhouse this forenoon I went to Reeds with him he preached there
	10	Sowed 4 1/2 bushel of pease on Shepards place Billie drged we had J Shepards Beast
4 1/2 bushel of midgeproof altogether on Shepards	11	finishddrging the pease& Sowed 2 bushel of Midgeproof wheat
	12	Sowed 2 1/2 bushel of midge proof wheat that is 4 1/2 of midgeproof on Shepards place I found 2 1/2 of it & the 4 1/2 of peas
	13	Sowed 5 bushel of oats on the Sheppard place
rain 7 bushels of oats on Sheapards	14	Sowed 2 bushel of oats fine rain this morning & last night that is 7 bushel of oats on Sheppard he found all the oats fine growing day the woods look green
woods look green	15	Sowed 4 bushel of wheat on Sheapards 2 bushel of it Sheppard found that he got from Bruce McNiel it come from the lland it is in the midle of the pice that finished this pice at Shepards

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May

May 16 rain & hail		the Revd Mr Auld preached in the forenoon & the Revd Mr Austin in the afternoon heavy rain with a little hail Thomas Younges Barn & Sheds was struck with lightning & Burned
rain	17	rain this morning George Grahm got this horse yesterday we here had it to work with doll Billie drew sand for Bob Michel 1/2 day then he plowed below the house Gordy & Me drew dung to the garden a little rain
	18	Billie plowed Gordy drew dung the cornground I went to Mallorytown to shere a triel between Rob Beatty & Jon Edgly Edgly made out that Robs Colt killed his cow & got judgment against him
	19	Billie plowed with doll & Sheapards Colt in th forenoon & plowed the garden in the afternoon I made irons for a gate & dug in the garden
	20	Sowed 1 1/2 bushel of Barley & peas South of the North ditch & 3 bushel of oats below the house Billie plowed fine day
10 bushel of otas in that field	21	Sowed the 3 ridges on the South side of the North ditch with Alsike clover Seed Sowed 4 bushel of oats below the house Gordy draged Billie went to a Bee of A Cornets in the Afternoon I went & Sowed there was 9 teems
	22	Sowed 3 bushel of peas & oats & the crownpeas they are on east side of the field below the house better than 1 1/2 ridg I bought Mr Thompson Shove 18 got Mr Dcores 18 own 18 1b

		planted @ bushel of potatos on the in all 54 of them the Crown pea
23		the Revd Mr Austin preached this forenoon Billie took him to Reeds in the afternoon
	24	Sowed better then 1 1/2 bushel of wheat North of the midle ditch East line Billie plowed it on Saturday & this forenoon we drew some dung to the cornfield Billie plowed part of it White astrilun {Australian} wheat next the fence
	25	Sowed 1/4 lb white Bilgian {belgian} carrrots & 2 1/4 lb altringham {altrincham} carrot in the garden Billie went to a bee of George Gramh the ground is very dry
	26	Billie plowed at Sheepards for potatos & wheat I planted some potatos below the house
	27	Sowed 2 3/4 bushel of wheat at Sheepards Gordy draged Billie plowed
	28	drew dung to the Corn field fine weather
rain	29	plowed the Corn ground driseling the afternoon
30		Revd Mr Austin preachd this forenoon & Rev Mr Auld preachd his fairwell Sermon at night
	31	planted the Corn (premium corn) is next the fence the yellow then the white a row of punkins between them put ashes on the hills the ground

		in good order
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{June}

June	1	Washed the Sheep this morning I then went & helped James Sheppard to move his Barn Garner Lee had the job
	2	the Boys planted part of the potatos on Sheepards places I helped Sheppard at the Barn Billie went to J Creas & got 3 bushel of potatos paid 40 cents per bushel
	3	Billie drew Stones for Mr McKindley I helped Sheppard at his drawing got the Barn & Shed to there place to night
rain	4	I Scalded & washd Sap buckets Billie went with Lees runers to Coles near Younge Mills for Sheep we put the Stove in the woodshed heavy rain to night
rain	5	heavy rain most of the day Rod Beatty & Rod Armstrong came here last night went home this morning with 3 pigs planted a few Thom Thumb peas at the old house I got from Mrs. Skinner
	6	the Revd Mr Austin preached this forenoon he come here from Kingston last night Billie took him to Reeds in the afternoon

	7	drew Stones of the meadow in the forenoon Sheered the Sheep in the afternoon A Cornet helped
	8	a little rain last night & this morning Billie helped Geo Grahm to draw Stones Tinkler Ad Armstrong come here last night from Lyn he is going West fine day
	9	Adam Armstrong went to Napinee with on the Express Billie rolled the wheat oats & part of the peas in the corner field fine day
rain	10	Billie Ellen & Jennet went to Younge intending to go to Brockville rain this forenoon I attended a Meeting of the Building Comittee the estimates was so high that we did nothing yet
rain	11	rain this morning I took the Scraper apart it was broct so that there had to be new Sides made
rain	12	planted some Calliflours & scablage plants rain most of the day Billie come home to day put the irons on the scraper Billie was here with Isable & Jennet snow to day
13		the Revd Mr Austin preach in the schoolhouse this morning
	14	began to work on the roads A Cornet is Pathmaster we had the teem on

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{June}

June rain	15	Worked on the roads Billie & me a little rain about 5 o'clock a little rain most of the night
	16	Billie drew stones in the forenoon he worked for Sheppard on the roads in the afternoon got 75 cents for it I finished our work this forenoon with Geordy
	17	Billie plowed in the North feild where we intend to summerfallow it is in the center west side I painted the Buggy
	18	Billie plowed warm day I fixed some irons for the Buggy little rain grass growes well corn is dowing little it is too cold for it
	19	Billie finished the plowing the ground is very dry for all the rain we have had. I fixed the Buggy & gave it another coat of paint that is the Box & greers
20		the Revd Mr Austin preached in the Schoolhouse
	21	drew Stones of the midle field East line fine day
	22	finished drawing the Stones this forenoon went throw the corn with the Diel
	23	worked at the corn potatos & carrots I went to festival in the Drill Shed in favour of the Rev Mr Carrol there was about one hundred people
	24	we had a bee to draw Stones for the Church there was 13 teems drawing & men to load got a good job

		done fine day
	25	hoed the Corn it is very Small but a good colour
	26	I went with John Cook to see how the sheep & hogs was doing that belong to the Agriculture society they are all wright except the hog at Webs he is very poor atended a meeting in the afternoon Wm Hazelwood & Betsey came here on visit Bille went to Young
27		the Revd Mr _ preached in the morning he is the New minister Mr Austin preached in the afternoon Billie came home with Elen & Jennet
rain	28	fixed rods in the waggon box & worked at bunks a little rain
	29	Billie went to gananoque with 18 bushel of wheat to Mill I went to Mr Darlins to See him about the Church
	30	rain last night & this morning worked in the black Smiths Shop I helped John Johnston to draw his Barn Billie went to a School picknic at Johnstons Schoolhouse

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{July}

July	1	Helped J Johnston to Move his barn & rise a Shed Billie went throw the Potatos at Sheepards
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	2	Billie went to Mr Jacksons for Bunks he got none I put some bunks together warm day
	3	Billie draged the Summerfallow I helped Henry Young to rais his Shop
4		the Revd Mr Smart preached in the Schoolhouse in the forenoon Billie took him to Reeds in the afternoon
	5	I was at the council most of the day the Revd Mr Davis the New Connection minister was here for dinner
	6	Billie drew 2 loads of flour for Mr Ennis we hoed in the garden
	7	I Began to Mow & Mowed about 3/4 of an acre at the old house it is Clover & very heavy Billie went to the Rock with Cris Young & got some Elem plank that was there sinc winter
rain	8	Billie draged part of the Summer fallow & cultivatd that that was plowed last fall rain last night & this morning
rain	9	atended a School examination & picnic the Schollers did well rain this morning
	10	went to Gananoque with James Sheepard received \$10 from him for gravel that he got for the road I bought a kip skin \$1.50 iron 75 cents Billie went with James Lattimer got a coat cut

11		the Revd Mr Gordon preached in the afternoon instead of Mr Austin he had just got back from hom last evening
	12	atended the celebration of the 12 in Sheepards woods there was 7 lodges & a large number of people the Revd MrFollock lectured & Mr Herburt McDonald gave a speach
	13	Billie helped Charles Armstrong at his hay (half a day) we took in a load of clover that was last week very bad hay weather went to the funeral of Thomas Greer a very large funeral
	14	Billie worked Armstrong I went to Lyn with Ellen stoped at J Armstrong all night
rain	15th	went to Wm Davis got dinner. tea at Hump Youngs at Greenbush Stoped at John Youngs all night rain last night
	16	come to Granmams to day Stopped there all night
rain	17	got home this afternoon Charles Armstrong is mowing with his mower fine day a rain yesterday

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{July}

July	18	the Revd Mr Austin preached this morning in the Schoolhouse
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	19	Charles Armstrong finished the Northeast field & a little at the old house
rain	20	raked & drew in 5 loads of hay out of the North field heavy rain this afternoon
	21	rain most of the day Billie took a load of withs to the river for Mr McDougal he got a bag of Salt at Mr Darlins paid \$1.25 c for it it is fine Bought a new Scyth \$1.25s
	22	Billie helped Charles Armstrong we worked at the hay in the North field cut some of the clover
	23	Billie helpd Armstrong at his hay we got all the out of the north field took Doll to Austins & put her to his horse Ad got home to day
	24	Billie helped Armstrong at his hay we workd at the clover it is hurt with the wet Ad went to gananoque with the Buggy
25 rain		Revd Mr Davis preachd in the forenoon &Revd Mr Austin in the afternoon rain at night
rain	26	Charles Armstrong mowed in the midle field cost line heavy rain this afternoon
	27	Billie finished cutting the midle field with the mower fine day
rain	28	got in 7 loads of hay 6 out of the midle field & one off

		Clover put the rest in Cock rain
	29	very heavy rain last night a little to day ground very wet cut a little clover in the afternoon
	30	worked at the clover below the old house fine day
	31	got the clover all in cock a heavy crop

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{August}

August	1	Revd Mr Austin preached in the Schoolhouse in the forenoon
	2	Stackd the clover & timoty below the old house had 140 cocks A Cornet helped Billie mowd in the afternoon with Charles mower
	3	cut part of the fallwheat it is an even crop there is no wind but there is a little smut Charles Armstrong cut the new meadow 6 acres with his mower
	4	I made out the papers for lots No __in of the Township of __before Robert Webster Eng & worked at the hay in the new medow
	5	workd Do Do Do

6	Stacked the new medow A Cornet helped with his teem both teams was as busy all day as we could bee fine day for work a very little Sprinkle of rain about noon
7	helped Cornet to make a Stack Billie & me with our teem fine day
8	went to the funeral of Joseph Turner he was drouded at Gananoque & the Body was brought to his Fathers Mr Joseph Turner there was over 200 waggons & buggys besides some on horseback he he was buried by the Orngemen & then the Revd Mr Smart preached it was the largest funeral it I ever saw in Canada
9	Ad come home on Saterdag night & him & me mowed in the Orchard it is very heavy Billie worked in the potatos at Sheepards
10	drew in the from the orchard topped off the Stock with part of it put some in the Stable & 2 loads in the barn fine day that finishd our haying except some fences it is a fine crop
11	drew in the fallwheat & cut some of the fall rye in the afternoon there was a fine Sower about 9 oclock
12	the Boys worked at the rye & cut the Barley below the corn it is a fine crop
13	Ad & Billie plowed & scraped the fundation of the church I workd half the day in sand pit geting a place uncovered for to get sand for the church

	14	drew in the loose rye & the Barley in fine order very warm day
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{August}

August rain	15	the Revd Mr Austin preached in the Schoolhouse this forenoon a little rain John Young come home from cristie he is up helping Cristie
	16	very heavy rain last night & this forenoon I got J McMullin & Wm J Turner to draw sand for the church we moved the fence from the horse paster across to to the old house
	17	began to cut the wheat in the north field it is a fine crop
	18	worked at wheat I went to the funeral of old Mrs Cornet in the afternoon She was buried at Robinsons the Revd Mr Follock preached there was 45 waggons & buggys beside horsemen
	19	worked at the wheat & drew in 3 loads of bound Rye
	20	finishd the wheat this forenoon & raked up the 2 bushel sowing of Black oats & drew them in Ad & Billie helped Ben Young to thrash in the afternoon I cut some of the Barley in the midle field north end east line

{illegible} shoe X	21	finished cutting the Barley Billie got some of the horses Shoes fixed with P.M. Moore & made a bargain with to Shoe by the year for 6 1/2 dollars Ad helped T. Bradley to thrash I met the Rev Mr Chambers at the Station & took him to Reeds
22		went to Reeds Schoolhouse & heard the Revd Mr Chamber preach he had the Sacrament there & preached in our School house at night
	23	raked & drew in the Barley Ad cut some of the oats at Shepards
	24	the Boys worked at Shepards I went to Mr Darling with Mr Austin I laid out a road between 17 & 18 in the first concession got dinner at Mr Keers & tea at Darling
	25	the thrashers here last night Burns & Rape we thrashed to day 19 bushel of Spring wheat 22 of oats 63 of Peas & Barley
	26	finished this morning the Rye 32 bushel fall wheat 10 bushel drew in some of the Spring wheat after cleaning the floor
	27	finished drawing in the wheat the forenoon then cut wheat at Shepards Vize Heacock & Mrs Stainin come hear to day fine weather
rain	28	heavy rain to day no work except what I did in the Barn

29		Revd Mr Austin preachd in the Shoolhouse this afternoon
	30	the Boys workd at Sheepards I ridled the peas out of the Barley & drew in a load of oats
	31	went to gananoque with 10 bushel of wheat & some wool got two packs 4d per lb the Boys cut the oats at home & hooked the Socities peas

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{Sept}

Sept	1	cut the wheat in the midle field in the forenoon me & Billie drew 5 loads of Sand for the Church then Ad & Billie cut the oats at Sheepards fine day
	2	drew in the oats below the house fine crop
	3	drew in the wheat from the midle field & the peas & oats below the house in the forenoon & the oats at Sheepards in the afternoon hard work fine weather
	4	cut wheat at Shepards & drew in some of the wheat the Scotch wheat that was mixed with the midge proof was all taken with the midge
5		the Revd Mr Smart preached in the Schoolhouse in the afternoon & .Revd Mr Follock in the forenoon

	6	the Boys finishd the cuting of the wheat at Sheapards I went with Mr Thompson to Mr Armstrongs & got out 4 sills for the Church & drew them home
rain	7	alittle rain this morning I went with J Lattimer & Saw his Wife sign a deed of her place in Gananoque to.S. Sheapard Ad & Billie helped H Young to cut wheat in thafternoon we fixed finces & drew 3 loads of Sand for the Church
rain	8	rain most of the day nothing done
rain	9	Billie and Gordy went to Gananoque to the show of wild beasts
	10	Billie & Gordy drew 5 loads of dung to the North field Ad went to Mallory town to the show
	11	worked at the peas they are a good crop
12		the Revd Mr Gordon preached in the forenoon in the schoolhouse Billie took him to Reeds
	13	Ad Ellen {illegible} Jennet Mr & Mrs Deen went to Delta this morning I worked in the sand pit for the church Mr Darlin sent 2 teems to draw Billie & Gordy finished hooking our peas
	14	got James McMillens horses & drew in four loads of peas Humphrey Young helped Billie to draw in the wheat at Sheapards

	15	finished drawing in the peas at home with H McKees horses & drew the remainder of the sills for the church Mr Thompson helped
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{September}

Sept	16	Worked at the peas at Sheepards fine weather Ad & the Girels got home to night about 11 oclock
	17	worked at the peas I was up all night with Mr McKinley he is sick
	18	drew in 6 loads of peas at Sheepards
19		the Revd Mr Smart preach this afternoon Mr Davis in the morning
	20	drew in 2 loads of peas at Sheepards that finishes the harvest I worked at the church got one dollar for it from McKee the Boys drew dung to the north field in the afternoon a little rain
I paid Killie tow dollors for the paper	21	I went to Brockville to the Cattle Show it was a poor affair I came to Lyn stopt at J Armstrongs took a Dear Skin to the tanery
	22	got home on the express the Boys drew dung

	23	Billie plowed for the fall wheat Spread dung
	24	Sowed 1 bushel of Souls wheat that I brought from Hamilton last fall it took the prise then 25 bushel of midgeproof wheat the ground in fine order
	25	Shoveled some of the furrows on the fallwheat drew dung on the new meadow midle field east line the Revd Mr Gordon come here
26 rain		heavy rain last night & all day no meeting Billie took Mr Gordon to Reeds no person came there
	27	drew dung to the meadow I helped A Cornet to thrash at his mothers place fine day heavy frost last night
	28	I helped Cornet to thrash to day Ad & Geordy drew dung
	29	I thrashed some peas Ad drew gravel to the Barnyard
	30	I cleaned the peas had 7 bushel Ad drew Sand to the Barnyard from the pit

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{Oct}

Oct	1	Drew Sand for the Church Ad & A Cornet with there teems & I loaded Billie has been working at the Church attending the masons since last friday
rain	2	drew the corn out of the field & put it in the orchard in the forenoon atended an agriculture meeting at Austons in the afternoon heavy rain at night Billie got \$8 for working at the church 8 days
3	rain	the Revd Mr Smart preached in the schoolhouse in the afternoon heavy rain last night & this forenoon
	4	heavy rain this morning & all day no work
	5	cut & drew some wood from Cornets I helped A Cochran in the afternoon to draw some stones for the church little rain this morning
	6	made two hoops of band iron for the stove pipes in the wall of the church Ad went to Young Jimmie & Mary was here they went home to day
	7	went to Gananoque show took first on fulled cloth second on peas saw Prince Aurther & the governer general & Lady they went down on board of the Magnet
	8	Geordy & me helped Benj Warren to thrash Billie went to Young to see Willie before he went to Pembrock
	9	Billie began to plow the stuble in the North field Geordy & me began to dig potatos as Sheepards

10		little rain this morning no meeting to day
rain	11	Billie went to Gananoque for a load of lumber for the church we dug potatos at Sheepards Ad went to Dr Richmonds with Bisey for him to See her knee {illegible}
rain	12	drew 105 bushel of sand for Grahm & Latimer 1/2 day dug potatoes in the afternoon little rain
	13	dug potatos in the forenoon pulled turnips & mangles for the show & other fixings in the afternoon
rain	14	we had our Agriculture Show in the Drill shed rain in the afternoon it was the best we have had
	15	heavy rain all day & last night the ground is very wet the Hazelwoods & Philippses here all night
	16	picked stones of the field east line below the new land

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{October}

Oct 17		Revd Mr Davis preached in the schoolhouse
	18	Picked stones of the midle field next the road in the forenoon dug potatos in the afternoon Billie got the

		Armstrongs plow
	19	Billie began to plow in the midle field we dug potatos
	20	put the stove in house & dug potatos hard frost last night
	21	helped Thomas Shelds & Matthew Keer to draw stones & sand for the Church Billie went with Armstrongs plow to Willsons to get it fixed for the Mach drew wood
	22	finishddiging the potatos & killed a hog Billie plowed
rain	23	heavy rain all day helped W. J. Turner to thrash In the forenoon it rained so heavy that they quite
	24	no Meeting to day
Snow	25	went to A plowing Match at Mr Webs Billie took the Second prise in the Boys match there was about half an inch of Snow this morning that is the first
Snow	26	drew a log for wood it Snowed most of the day it is nearly six inches deep put the Cows in the Stable for the first time Billie helped J. McMillen to thrash Geordy helped Turner to thrash
Snow	27	Snowd & Stormed most of the day thrashd a little
	28	cleaned 25 bushel of peas at Sheepards I got 12 Shepard 11 & House 2 bushel he is thrashing them

		on Shairs or even 10 1b bushel drew some wood Billie helped McMillin to thrash
	29	drew Some wood very Stormy day
	30	loaded feed for the hogs & other fixing about the house
31		the Revd Mr Follock preached in the schoolhouse

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{the rest of November 1869 is out of order and is transcribed a couple pages ahead} {The following entries from Nov 10 to Nov 15 are transcribed from photos taken of the Walter Beatty fonds at Queen's University Archives. These photographs of the handwritten diary pages are not legible on the Rural Diary Archive}

{November}

Nov	1	Cleaned the fallwheat & fixed for to go to the mill the Snow is nearly gone
	2	Billie went to Mill to Garanoque with 5 bushel of pollwheat & 9 1/2 of Spring & 6 of peas oats & Rye for the horses fine day I pulled the mangles
	3	pulled five rows of the carrots a fine day Billie drew some Sand & gravel for Jos Gilbert in the forenoon plowed in the afternoon
	4	I went to Marble Rock with Wm Clow to an Auction Sale of Delongs & Emenes of lumber

		Billie plowed fine day
	5	David started a midle line for a fence a little rain & cold day Billie plowed Geordy worked with masons this week
	6	Billie plowed I helped Mr Mitchels men at the Church they began yesterday T Reed & James Ladlow boarded hear B. Kinker Stopted at the Station we got all the rafters & canteliors up to day Billie drew gravel {illegible}
7		no Meeting to day
	8	drew in some of the carrots they were frosen {some?} Stormed most of the day Robert Beatty & John McDonald went home to day they come on Saturday
	9	I worked at the Church with Mitchels Men David & Isabla went in the buggy to Delta Billie went on horseback to bring the Buggy back David is going to stop at Delta & keep Bub colt
	10	I worked at the church in the forenoon pulled corn in the afternoon Billie came home this afternoon
	11	I worked at the church Billie went to a plowing match at Pecks took the 3rd premium

finished shingling the church 5 1/2 days	12	I worked at the church Billie plowed
	13	I worked at the church Do Do the ground is rather hard frozen
14		{illegible} at the schoolhouse the Revd Mr Cornet preached in the church
	15	I fixed up the fences at the church & gathered up the {illegible} & bits of boards around the church hard frost Jennet at Young {rest of entry illegible}

1869 {The following entries from Dec 11 to 16 are transcribed from photos taken of the Walter Beatty fonds at Queen's University Archives. These photographs of the handwritten diary pages are not legible on the Rural Diary Archive}

{Dec}

Dec	1	Billie & Geordy drew 5 loads of loom for Mr Thompson Garden I fixed a little at the room in the woodshed {illegible} & helped James Calhoun to fix the ditch at the church the frost is nearly all out of the ground
	2	I helped Johnston to thrash cold day freezing hard
snow	3	Do Do Do very cold Day little snow
snow	4	finished thrashing at Johnstons little Snow

5		no Meeting to Day cold day
	6	fixed in the woodshd in the forenoon went to help A Cornet to thrash in the afternoon did nothing Henery Webster was not done till night
	7	I helped A Cornet to thrash fine day
	8	Do Do Do Do the Boys drew some wood Geordy has been at School
	9	helped A Cornet to put his oats Straw into the Barn in the forenoon J Stacy come to thrash at Sheepards at noon finishd Sheppard & Hendersons part this afternoon I had J McMullin & David Johnston
	10	thrashed our wheat 42 bushel of wheat in all for out Store 16 of midgeproof & 26 of Blacksee they brock there bedpice & did nothing in the midle of the day
a little rain at night	11	thrashed the oats we had 37 for our Shaire our thrashing came to \$243 cents {illegible} Sheepards to settle with Store for it he is indue us very fine day we helped Sheppard to put his straw in the Barn ours was put in as we thrash
12		the Revd Mr Davis preached in the school house heavy rain
	13	put bottoms in some tubs & other tinkering about the house

	14	went to Gananoque with 12 bushel of Black see & 2 bushel of fall wheat & 2 bushel of Rye in the waggon & heard the Revd Mr McClaren of Belville preach the ordination Sermon of Mr Barns he was placed in Gananoque in Mr Gordons place there 7 ministers there there was a very large congregation
	15	put new pins in the wood slaugh fine day rain at night
	16	Killed old Lillie cow she is good beef & one hog heavy rain all day & night A Cornet helped

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Nov	16	Billie line strikethrough I fixed plank for the drain of the church & husked some corn
rain	17	heavy rain all day worked at the corn in the woodshed
	18	Billie drew gravel in the afternoon for John Gilbert 90 bushel & got some wood
	19	thrashed some of the socities peas & husked corn David came home from Delta this afternoon

rain	20	rain most of the day fixed a fram for a room in the wood shed pulled some carrots put them in the wood shed
21	21	the Revd Mr Green the Bible Agent came here this morning Billie took him to Willsons with the Buggy the roads is hard frosen no meeting here
	22	toped the carrots in the wood shed in the forenoon Banked the church in the afternoon B Warren W.J Turner J McMullin R Johnston & James Cornet helped fine day Billie helped Thomas Bradley to thrash the Revd Mr Green held meetings in the schoolhouse at 7 oclock
	23	snowed about 6 inches last night Billie took Mr Green in the slaugh to Escot Gordy helped J Bradley to thrash I helped A Cornet to kill two hogs we then killed 1 for us a little rain
took a south down ram to Mr Browns & got another	24	went to Gananoque with A Cornet took the hog it weighed 275 lbs got 9 dollars per 100 got a barrel of salt 8s .25 lbs of {illegible} 5s 12d Sugar 6s tea 4.7 & Sundrys articles \$8
let the Rams out Billie took 2 Ewes to {illegible} Browns	25	thrashed the socties peas had 7 bushel from 36 lbs they are the Crown pea
	26	Billie drew 2 load of stones to F Dean I thrashed some peas and oats oats in the

		forenoon helped Dean to raise a shop
	27	I helped John Johnston to thrash Billie drew some dung to the carrots fine day
28		the Revd Mr Folock preached in the school house snow this morning
snow	29	helped John Johnston to thrash Billie took 2 Ewes to George Pecks & look for a thrasher
rain	30	rain most of the day fixed a room in the woodshed for the flour & meet Billie drew loom to Mr Thompsons garden 3 loads he gave us 100 old rails & some Bunks

1870 {this is January 1-17, 1870 - needs to be put ahead in order}

{January}

Jan	1	The Boy drew Some wood from Cornets wood
2		the Revd Mr Austin preached in the Schoolhouse heavy rain last night & this morning & all day very few out
	3	heavy rain & wind last night Snow wind & drift very Stormy all day very few at the Election it is so Stormy
	4	drew 2 loads of wood from Cornets in the forenoon Billie took the Saw to J Cooks the Socities Bore is there

	5	drew 2 loads of wood from Cornets I began to thresh the peas Billie went with Jams Sheepard to T. Cornet
	6	I thrashed peas the Boys chopped in the wood shed it is So Stormy that they could do nothing out
	7	Boys drew 2 loads from Armstrongs I threshd peas hard frost Clear & fine day
	8	I thrashed pean in the forenoon went to the Station very Stormy wind & Snow the boy drew 1 load of wood
	9	the Revd Mr Johnston preached in the Schoolhouse
snow	10	very Stormy wind & Snow & thrashed John Coslow worked half the day with the Boys drew 2 loads of wood
	11	Billie drew a load of Bunks from Jacksons 75 sils Gordy helped Thos Bradley to thrash I thrash peas very fine day
snow & rain	12	worke a little at some Sheepskins to tan them & went to the School- Meeting Benj Warren was Elected Trustee a very Stormy rain & Snow
snow	13	John Coslow thrashed peas I went to the Annul meeting of the Agriculture Society at Westons was reelected President a very Stormy day wind & Snow

	14	very cold day billie & Coslow started to go to the woods for wood they come back it was so cold that they could not sand it I cobled in the house
rain	15	rained all day we intended to Young chopped in the woodshed
16		no Meeting to day went to Young to Granmoms
	17	heavy rain all day could not come home

1869 {out of order chronologically this is Dec 17-31, 1869}

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{December}

Dec	17	Billie helped B Younge to thrash I salted some of the meat
	18	Do Do Do finished the cutting & salting
19		no meeting to day no slaughting
	20	Went to Robesons schoolhouse the Nomination there was a good many people then & a poll demanded
	21	put pins in the Slaugh fine Day Mr Darlin come here at night & Stopted all night we intend to go & See what we can get for the Church

rain	22	heavy rain this morning & all day nothing done Mr Darlin went home after dinner he had a buggy
	23	I fixed a little at the old trundle bed am bad the Rheumatism in my Sholders
	24	tinkered round the house went the Station & met the Revd J Austin he is going to Spend his Christmas in the neighbourhood
	25	David & Miss Heacock came from Delta very poor Sloughing here
26		the Revd Mr Davis preached in the Schoolhouse in the forenoon & the Revd Mr Austin in the afternoon
	27	fixed the Cutter for David it is Wat old one put on a Shoe & two braces behind I then took the receipt that I got from J.E Keaton for \$31 for the Road to the Council
	28	the Boys underbrushd in Cornets woods for wood
	29	Billie & the girels went to a funeral of Miss Shipmon She died in Belville was buired at Robersons the Revd JP Baicke come here last night by the Express Billie took dishes up to Reeds for a tea meeting that is to be there Tomorrow
	30	I did nothing Stopted with Mr Baikie Mr Austin & him hear for dinner Billie took 8 in the Buggy up to the tea meeting it was a fine one took \$39 dollors in there was 6 ministers 4 Presbyterains & 2 Meathodist

	31	the Boys worked in the woods poor slaughting
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1870 {The following entries from Feb 11 to 18 are transcribed from photos taken of the Walter Beatty fonds at Queen's University Archives. These photographs of the handwritten diary pages are not legible on the Rural Diary Archive}

Feb	1	Billie & Geordy drew 2 loads of railcuts from Jacksons fine day
	2	got the horses Shod in the forenoon went to a wood bee of Bruce McNiels in the afternoon
	3	went to a bee of Samuel Johnstons to draw Sawlogs to Gananoque for Shingles
	4	went to Elen Landons Funnerl Revd Mr Follock preached there was 25 Sloughs & cutters
	5	I went with John Johnstons to the funeral of Mrs Tackabury Revd Mr Follock preached there was 39 Slaughs & cutters
6		the Revd Mr Davis preached in the Schoolhouse
	7	Billie. Geordy & John Coslow got out 7 loads of railcuts I went to Brockville Stopt all night
	8	at J Halls got home about 8 oclock at night 8 the Boys got out 8 loads
	9	the Boys got 7 loads the boy brought one load home

		at night the rest they left in Jacksons field
	10	Do Do 8 Do
	11	Do Do 7 Do
	12	Billie & Geordy went to the woods themselves got out 4 loads & brought 1 home I Paid John Coslow Turner \$2.50 for the 5 days that he helped the boys in the woods
	13	no meeting to day fine day
	14	Billie went to a wood bee of Benj Youngs very snowy in afternoon wind & snow & a little thaw
rain & snow	15	rain most of the night so that yesterdays snow is nearly gone Billie drew 2 loads of railcuts
	16	we had a Bee to draw the Railcuts from Jacksons there was J. Douglas H McKee J. Purvis S Laplante Armstrong B. McNiel A Cornet J Johnston B Young R Johnston Mr Horton F. Johnston C Young J Bradley 14 teams besides our own we got a fine job some snow falling
	17	{first of line illegible} James Armstrong Samuel Johnston went for railcuts S Johnston brought 1 & Charly & Billie brought 2 loads that finished all that they had out
	18	heavy rain last night & this morning & all day no work

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1870 {out of chronological order}

{January}

Jan	18	came home to day from Young nothing but ice on the Roads the field is all bare
	19	John Coslow James Choped wood with Billie drew 5 loads I thrashed peas & had to quit with pain in my arms
	20	Billie drew 5 loads of wood Young Coslow Choped & old Mr Coslow finishd thrashing the peas fine day
	21	Billie drew 6 loads of wood Coslow choped I went to Gananoque with Robert Johnston to the Anual Meeting of the Riding AgricutureSociety fine day the roads is bare in a great many places
	22	Billie went to Gananoque with 12 bushel of wheat Geordy & me cleaned 40 bushel of peas Rob Beatty come up for Mary She come home with us from Young
23 rain		the Revd Mr Follock preachd in the Schoolhouse rain last night & to day David come home to night
	24	cleaned the rest of the Peas had 62 bushelcleand the midge proof wheat had 18 bushel fine day

rain & snow	25	Billie & Geordy helped Charles Armstrong to thrash Burns & Rape came to thrash they Sett the machin& went home Snow last night hail & rain to day
	26	began to thrast the wind is so high that they had to quit Billie went to the funeral of Mr Horton at Dulcimain Schoolhouse the Revd Mr Carrol preached
	27	thrashed the Spring Wheat had 63 bushel & oats had 140 bushel paid Rape & Burns \$ nine dollors & thirty cents that is in full for what they did now & in August T. Bradley M. Young A. Cornet E. Warren J. McMullen & D. Johnston fine day
	28	made pins & ranes & a runner for the old Bob Slaughes fine day
	29	put a shoe on the Bobslauch & other fixings on them at the blacksmith shop Billie got 150 Stakes & 50 caps from Jacksons
30		no Meeting to Day Albert Hickock & his sister came here
	31	Billie & Geordy went to Jacksons & drew 2 loads of railcuts fine day

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{February}

Feb	19	Snowed last night about 4 inches & a little rain in the forenoon in the afternoon the Boys cut some in the shed
	20	rain the Revd Mr Follock preached in the forenoon & the Revd Mr Gordon in the afternoon snowed in the afternoon
	21	cold day the Boys went to School I fixed the harness
snow	22	storming most of the day snow & wind I went to the station with Mr Gordon Satchel he called at Thompsons the Express will not be up till 7 oclock
	23	Storming still I worked at the harness wind & snow
	24	cold day cobled a little
	25	the Boys is all at
	26	Billie took 3 loads of hay to Charles Armstrong that we borrowed from last Sping fine day
27		no Meeting to day
	28	drew in the remainder of the Stack Snowed a little most of the day

1870 {The following entries from Mar 1 to 16 are transcribed from photos taken of the Walter Beatty fonds at Queen's University Archives. These photographs of the handwritten diary pages are not legible on the Rural Diary Archive}

{March}

March	1	Billie Ellen & David went to Gananoque {illegible} Deans {illegible} fine day
	2	fine day I am bad with the Rhuematism in my arm I have done nothing for some time
	3	fixed an iron wedge the boys at school
	4	filed & sett a new crosscut saw for Charles Armstrong fine day
	5	Billie and Geordy drew 1 load of wood in the forenoon then Billie went to bee of Hugh McKees to draw rails from McCradies
6		Revd Mr Davis preeched in the school house fine day
snow	7	snowed most of the day J.W Hough Esq came here from Brockville he is going to Gananoque staid all night
	8	went to Gananoque with Mr Hough went & saw Dr Davison & took dinner with him he is very poorly
	9	went with Mr Hough to John Coacks to see the Ayreshire Bull that he got from our Agriculture Socitie
	10	went to Gananoque with 6 bushel of Rye & 9 bags of midge proof wheat got 3 bags ground & kept 6

		bags to be cleaned for seed
	11	Mr Stark came here from Pitsburg fine day the boys at school I can do nothing with my arms
	12	the Boys drew 2 loads of wood from Armstrongs I atended an Agriculture Meeting John Scott & Aunt Jane came here & David & Isabla came from Delta fine day
13	snow	no Meeting to day very stormy wind & snow
	14	the roads is nearly blocked up the boys at school
	15	John Scott & Aunt Jane went home Ellen went with them the roads is very heavy
snow	16	very stormy snow & drift very little travel on the roads

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March	17	storming still snow & wind with terable drift
	18	the roads is block up two thence teams turned out & went along some soveling& more tramping
	19	David & Billie went to Thomas Cornets to look at a span of horses that he had we want to get a horse

		Cornet is to bring them down of Monday
20		Revd Mr Follock preached in the schoolhouse
	21	David went to Delta this morning & Cornet sent his Son downe with the horses one is 5 and the other 4 years old in the spring, we kept them gave him siss and \$80 to give him 10 more in two months that is at the rate of \$190 for the span Billie took Miss Sweet to W. Stettons this afternoon
	22	rain & Snow & very warm the Snow in going turning Cold this afternoon
	23	cleaned 20 bushel of wheat intend to go to Gananoque tomorrow frost last night & to day I have gon to the Station every day sine Saturday expecting Ellen home from Young She has not come yet
	24	went to Gananoque with 20 bushel of wheat for flour Geordy went with me & I went to Mr. J. Lindseys & laid out a road betwen lots No 7 & 8 in the first consession of Leeds
	25	fixed some of the buckets
	26	Billie went to Young with 5 bushel of peas for Seed to Rob John Robson went with him
27		no Meeting to day Snowed & blowed

	28	fixed buckets the roads blocked up
	29	took some of the buckets to the bush with the old mare Billie come home from Young & brought 6 bushel of potatos from Rob
	30	the Billie & Geordy taped all day the Snow is very deep it is all most imposable to get along
	31	taped more of the bush

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April	1	taped more of the bush very poor run
	2	boiled sap in the Sugarbush got it all boiled in at dark gave Sheapard his Shair in Surip
	3	the Revd Mr Davis preached in the schoolhouse
	4	went to marble rock with 10 bushel of oats got oatmeal for it & 10 bushel of Barley got some dust for the Cows Mr Dickson ows me 275 lb barley dust the Revd Mr Baikie come here by the Express
	5	the Boys went to School I fixed around the house
	6	Billie went to Gananoque with Mr Baikie & brought Isabla home from Dr Richmonds She was upon a visit

		Geordy & me boiled in the bush
	7	the Boys at School I am bad with my arms
	8	Do Do
	9	boiled Sap in the bush poor run Ad come home from the woods
10		no Meeting to day fine I was most of with Smith Cow She is very Sick
	11	Wm Smiths Cow died this morning we opend her the manyplies was as hard as a Stonee & gall was as large as a quart cup
	12	worked in the bush Ad. Ellen & Jennet went to Brockville on the Mixed fine day Snow nearly gone
	13	fixed irons for a whealbarrow fine day
	14	Wat & Lizie came home from Toronto fixed irons for a {illegible} and other things for the shop
	15	Wat & Lizie went to Brockville on the Mixed fixed the irons on the wheelbarrow
	16	Billie drew stone for Mr Thompson
17		Revd Mr Follock preached in

rain	18	fixed the garden a little rain David went to Delta
	19	Billie took the barrels to Weston that we had in the sugarbush
	20	Billie went to the 6th concession around the rear of the township to tell the subscribers for Mr Colmons trees that they were at the station divided the oats for the Socitie each member got 8 lb

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April

April	21	Billie went to tell the {illegible} for the trees to come to the station worked in the garden Billie brought wood {illegible}
	22	planted out some elem trees along the fence
	23	cleaned up the wheat had 39 bushel of Black sea & 12 that I got cleaned at Gananoque of the MigeProof Billie plowed half the day for Mr Thompson our ground is too wet to do anything with yet
24		no meeting to day heavy rain last night
	25	planted 3 blackhart Cherry tree next the road below the path that I got from Benjamin Young

	26	planted 10 apple trees from Lyn Wat & Eliza came home from Deta with the Express David came home with the sulky
	27	helped to mended the Boys tentes Billie drew dung half the day for Mr Thompson
	28	Billie began to plow & plowed in the north half of the midle field west side it is rather wet yet I helped the Boys with there tents
	29	plowed in the north field part of the day. Wat & Ad left with the morning Express for Toronto in there way to Musckoce
	30	plowed in the north field Geordy has been working with the Sowers at the Station the most of this week

1870 {The following entries from May 11 to 14 are transcribed from photos taken of the Walter Beatty fonds at Queen's University Archives. These photographs of the handwritten diary pages are not legible on the Rural Diary Archive}

May

May	1	No Meeting to day in the Schoolhouse the RevdMr Carrol preached in the Church
	2	Billie plowed Geordy worked with the Sower
the woods begin to look Red	3	Began to Sowed & 4 bushel of Black oats on the north half west Side of the midle field I went to Robert Johnstons to Show him how to graft fine

		day
10 bushel of Black oats	4	Sowed 4 bushel Black oats Billie plowed
	5	Do 2 Do Do Do & 3 bushel of white
	6	Sowed 3 bushel of the white oats on the South end of the middle field got S Johnston Cultivator & cultivated the fall plowing
	7	I was Skining a Calf & run the knife into my arm & cut a vein sent for Dr Elsworth it bled so fast I could do nothing got A Cornet to Sow for the Boys he Sowed 5 bushel of oats the Revd Mr Austin came here this afternoon by the Express
8 the woods look green		the Revd Mr Austin preached this forenoon Billie took him to the Reeds School- house in the afternoon
13 bushel of white oats 28 in all	9	A Cornet Sowed 5 bushel of oats Billie began to plow in the North field we had S Johnston old Maire half the day on Saturday & to day
	10	fine Showr last night & this morning Sowed about 1 bushel of peas in the South end of the middle field Sowery most of the day
	11	Sowed bushel of peas Billie finished plowing the North field this forenoon Plowed in the field

		south of the south ditch East line
	12	Sowed {illegible} bushel of peas Billie plowed the garden & ridged up for the corn
	13	finished sowing the midle field
	14	Sowed 6 bushel of Barley in the north field
15		the Revd preached in the afternoon in the schoolhouse & the Revd Mr Carrol in the church

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{April}

April	16	Sowed {illegible} Black see in the North part of the {illegible} B McMullin {rest of line illegible} sod & plowed the {rest of entry illegible}
	17	B{rest of entry illegible}
	18	sowed 3 bushel of {rest of entry illegible}
	19	Sowed 3 pails of surprise oats and peas & Coplands oats that I got of Mr {two lines illegible} 7 oz {illegible} barley 4 oz Porter oats 3 to {illegible} 5 to surprise oats on sod south ditch east line Sowed some carrot Beets and mangols south

		garden
	20	Began to sow at Sheepards sowed 1 bushel of midgeproof oats of our seed wheat very dry weather
	21	Sowed 2 1/2 bushel of Midgeproof on Shepard Billie finished plowing at Sheepards I planted Erley Godrich {illegible} & calico potatoes sowed 1/2 bushel Fitches below the house
22		the Revd Mr Austin preached in the schoolhouse this morning
	23	Sowed 2 bushel of Midgeproof & brock in some drew dung to the corn ground Billie plowed it in very dry hard plowing
	24	Gordy sowed 2 bushel of midgeproof on Sheepards Billie went to Mathew Keer & got 9 1/2 bushel of potatos
	25	Sowed 1 bushel of Blacksee on Sheepards that finished it roled & draged the cornfield then roled & draged marked out 8 rows with the plow & drilled it with Corn for the Cows it is the horse tooth corn
{vertically in margin} got a heffer calf from J.W. Hough a present for Jenee	26	planted 1 bag of Fluke {potatoes} that Mr Cholhun gave 4 1/2 of Chlios {Garnet Chili potatoes} in the corn field Billie & Ellen started for Pembrook this aforenoon Billie is going to learn to be a

		carpenter with L. Nesmith
	27	planted 2 bushel of the Seedlings on the Sod old horse paster
	28	washed the sheep the ground is very dry got a heffer calf (got a heffer calf from J W Hough a present for Jennee)
29		the Revd Mr Austin preached this afternoon
	30	fixed fence for a horsepaster & got the tiers Sat on 3 buggy wheals
	31	finished laying up the paster fence this forenoon very warm day no rain

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{written vertically across entries 1-4}: Made an agreement with J.McDonald for a selfrackingmowower& Reaper to give him a Lot 40\$ in March 71 & 40\$ in March in 72.

June	1	Began to split rails for a center fence in the North field warm day
	2	worked at the rails & fence
	3	Do Do

	4	Do Do
5 A little rain last night		the Revd Mr Austin preach this forenoon I went to the funeral of Dr Richmond he died yesterday morning about six oclock there was between fifty & sixty teems he was buired in Cemetary in Pittburg the Revd Mr Barnes had prayer
	6	worked at the fence spliting & puting up
	7	Do Do in the forenoon went to the Schoolhouse in the afternoon to a Meeting of the building comittee nothing done there none from the upper or Reeds settelment there
	8	John Thomas Split 211 rails I paid him one dollor Geordy helped Mr Thompson to Sow wood at the Machin I put up fence
	9	finished the fence in the center of the north field Geordy helped J. Bradley to Sow in the forenoon
	10	began to roll the grain rolled in the north field a little rain at noon
	11	finished the north field & rolled in the midle field next the road in the forenoon had a great storm of wind & rain this afternoon upset part of the new fence & along {line illegible}
12		the Revd Mr Follock preached in the forenoon and the Revd Mr Carrol in the afternoon

	13	fixed fence in forenoon Wat {illegible} with down on railway David went to Toronto
	14	went to Gananoque with 13 bushel of wheat got it ground Isabla went to Mrs Richmond to see here called for Isabla Mrs Richmond gave the Dr Boot Jack as a keepsack of the Drs fine rain
	15	hoed the potatos in the garden Gordy went to Delta with a horse that David had here of Mr Staffords Jennet went with him

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June

June	16	I fixed Elens warping bars I had to make up the bottom slats & 1 uprite Ad came home this morning from the woods
	17	Geordy came home to day he brock the axel of the buggy at McIntoshs& had to on horseback got Bobs buggy he came home with I went through the corn with cultivator
	18	picked stones in the medow warm weather went to a raising of a Barn of Samuel Johnstons Ad went to Toronto on the Express
19		the Revd Mr Austin preached this morning in the schoolhouse

20	I drew stones of the medow in the forenoon very heavy rain with wind & hail in the afternoon
21	drew stones of the medow
22	Do Do Do
23	finished drawing the stones of the medows went through the corn & potatos with deel
24	rolled in the midle field the grain is rather forward I did not roll it all
25	rolled the wheat & oats South of the South ditch where the horse paster was last year
26 rain	the Revd Mr Austin preached in the School house this afternoon little rain at night
27	worked on the roads at the Station with the horses & Scraper
28	Geordy went to Young with Mary & Ellen I went through the corn & potatos with the cultivator in the forenoon went to a raisin of J. Bradley in the afternoon little rain this afternoon
29	worked on the roads at the Station drawing gravel
30	Geordy worked on the roads in the forenoon I went through the potatos in the afternoon very heavy rain

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July	1	Geordy worked at the carrots I was in bed all day I took something last night
	2	Geordy worked at the carrots I can do nothing yet
3		the Mr Austin preached in the schoolhouse
	4	worked on the roads fine day
	5	Do Do
	6	I worked on the roads Geordy worked at the potatos we did 7 days on the roads
	7	drew 120 bushel of sand for J Gilbert Geordy worked at the carrots & beets
	8	worked at he potatos fine day
	9	Do Do I went to the station & met the Revd Mr Simpson Mr Austin exchanged with him as Mr Austin had to atend the presbytry at Napanee he went up on tusday
10		the Revd Mr Simpson preached in the school house in the morning I took him to Reeds in the afternoon fine day very warm

Rain	11	worked at the potatos went to the station with Mr Simpson in the afternoon & to Mr Darlings got 2 bags of salt one paid \$2 & other 1 a fine rain this afternoon
	12	Geordy went to Gananoque to see the orng walk I was sick in bed all day
	13	went to the kid road along with the most of the people at the station to hunt for two maen that killed a girel of the penatentionary the were seen by Anson Landon coming down the track this morning found there tracks that was all
	14	got a combind mower & reaper from James McDonald I am to give him a lot & eighty dollars one half in March first the other half in a year from that mowed in the North field west side
	15	finished cuting what was in that field it worked well

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{July}

July	16	raked & drew in 2 loads of hay where I mowed on thursday rain this afternoon Stoped raking
17 rain		the Revd Mr Smart was expected to preach he did not Come Mr Follock preached in the afternoon rain last night
	18	raked & drew in 2 loads of the corner field

	19	mowed for A Cornet brock the brock clearer got Moor to fixe it paid 25c & cut some in the orchard
	20	McDonald come & set up the reaper & we cut the fall wheat more grass then wheat
	21	mowed in the midle field fine day very warm
	22	finished the field A Cornet helped to cock
rain	23	raked & Cocked the field Cornet helped in the afternoon a little rain last night
	24	no meeting Mr Smart dispointed Mr Huston & is up the presbytry the Revd Mr Austin preched
	25	moed a Stack of the midle field A Cornet & his boy helped he loaded I picked
	26	mowed for A Cornet with the machin
	27	mowed below the house the hay is good
	28	Do Do Do & began the new field
	29	A Cornet helped to cock in the afternoon 29 mowd in the new land Cornet helped to cock
	30	finishd the haying all but corners that is the cuting Cornet helped to Cock & rake

31		the Revd Mr Austin preachd in th School housee in the forenoon &Mr Folock in the afternoon
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{August}

August	1	Made a Stack of the hay below the house & the New land east line 8 large loads A Cornet helped
rain	2	drew in 3 loads of the new land in the forenoon Cut oats with the machin for A Cornet in the afternoon would of finished if it had not rained
	3	finished Cornets oats this forenoon went to Benj Youngs cut Some wheat the machin did not work Sent for McDonalds to come
	4	McDonald come & fixed it. it works well
	5	finishd his wheat & a peace of oats Geordy helped Youngs half of the day yesterday & all day to day
	6	a little rain this morning topped off a Stock this forenoon went to Reeds Schoolhouse heard the Revd Mr Smart preach was put in as on Elder along with Alexand Cockeman
7 rain		went Reeds Schoolhouse Mr Smart dispensed the Sacrement to 41 communicents he preached in our School house at 6 oclock PM rain to night
rain	8	Geordy drew Stones & Sand for Dean & 2 loads for Wm Cornet I fixed some tinkering at the machin rain

		this morning
	9	cut the Societies oats they are badly rusted cut other oats rusted likewise all the oats in the Country hear abouts is so cut some of the oats in the midle field
	10	cut oats in the midle field brock part of the real fixed that then lost 3 nuts of the pitmon fixed that got most of the Black oats cut
	11	went to Gananoque to Dr Richmonds Sale bought a faning mill paid \$13.50 and \$1 for 5 small Chains I took up 5 bushel of wheat & some wool they are fixing the dam got no grinding
rain	12	got in one load of oats before it began to rain this morning there was very little rain
	13	finishing cuting the oats & got some of them in A Cornet helped
14		the Revd Mr Austin preached in the Schoolhouse
	15	cut the wheat & Barley & drew in the remainder of the oats fine day the Girles helped

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{August}

August	16	Geordy Mr Austin & the Girles went to Delta this morning I raked some of the Barley
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	17	very high wind yesterday & to day cut hay around the fence
	18	raked up the wheat & drew it in fine day very dry
	19	got in the Barley & cut the wheat at the East line
	20	got in the wheat at the East line & hooked some of the Peas in the midle field Humpery Young helped
21		the Revd Mr Austin preached in the Schoolhouse
	22	drew in 2 loads of peas they are very dry Cut the migeproof wheat at the East line it is to the acre very thin it ought to get at least 2 bushel
	23	a little rain this morning went to Gananoque got the roles & grist that I took on the 11th fine rain this afternoon
	24	hooked the remainder of the peas fine day
	25	cut the Black See at Sheperds the midge proof is green yet that is in the low ground
	26	rain so that we could not get in the peas
	27	hooked Some of the Crown peas
28		the Red Mr Austin preached in the Schoolhouse in

		forenoon
	29	got in all the peas Humph Young helped Geordy helped A Cornet to draw in
	30	began to Cut the midgeprof at Sheaperds Hump Young & A Cornet helped
rain	31	rain last night hook some of the Crown peas in the forenoon worked at the wheat in the afternoon

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{Sept}

Sept	1	Worked at the wheat drew in Some H Young helped fine day
	2	Cut all the wheat that was ripe
	3	drew in Some of the wheat fine day
4		the Revd Mr Gordon preached in the forenoon
rain	5	drew in 1 load then it rained a little
	6	Do in all that was cut at Shepards or Cornets

	7	went to Gananoque with 16 bushel of wheat & atended an agriculture Meeting
	8	went to Young to See Granmom Ellem Lize & Isabla went with me
Geordy cut the wheat at Cornets then Henery Webster helped him	9	went to Brockville bought a side Soleleather \$3.30 got the Deerskin \$1.75 that was loned a Keg of powder \$4 got the horses \$1.25 Shod 2 1b Alske Clover 50 caststeel for 2 drills 51 fuse 37 1/2
	10	Stopt at Granmoms got home to night
11		the Revd Mr Gordon preached in the fore noon & the Revd Mr Follock in the afternoon
	12	drew in the wheat at Cornets that finished there fine day very dry
	13	Sowed grassseed in the North field the Seed that I Sowed in the Spring did not come we draged it in the ground is very dry
	14	Robert Beatty Come up for Mary & little Wats wife they come up with me on Saturday thrashd Some oats & picked Some Stones where it was
	15	Geordy went to dung bee of W. J Turners I thrashed & cleaned Some oats

	16	heavy rain last night & this morning Cleared up & we had a fine dung bee got the most of the out put it on the North field
	17	drew out Some dung to the north So as to finish the field I went to Gananoque for Mr Gordon
18		the Revd Mr Gordon preached in the Schoolhouse
	19	I began to dig a well below the house Geordy drew Some Stones of the North field

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Sept	20	Geordy picked Stones in the north field in the forenoon went to Gananoque with Mr Geordon in the afternoon I was trying the rock for the lowest place & then wrote a letter to David Robb
	21	went to John Johnstons to his well & then Christie Young taking about the well Geordy {illegible} dug & shoveled the clay for the {rest illegible} helped A Cornet to thrash fine day
	22	Finishd & they then went to J McMillins Geordy went to Young to See little Wats wife before that She went home to Pembrok

	23	helpe J McMullin to thrash Geordy & the Girles got home to night
	24	Geordy helped Wm J Turner to thrash
25		the Revd Mr Smart preachd in the Schoolhouse
	26	{next 3 dates appear blank}
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	28	
	29	went to Young with Ellen to See her Mother She is very bad with diarrhae Stoped all night
	30	went to Brockville got 500 of brick for the Church got home at 10 oclock at night it rained on the most of the way

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Oct

Oct	1	Atended an Agriculture Meeting at the Station
	2	the Revd Mr Smart preached in the forenoon I took him to the Reed Schoolhouse
	3	plowed & Scraped a short ditch below the house in the forenoon Geordy went to the Kitley fair with C Young

		rain most of the day
4		rain most of the day no work done I went to Reeds with Benj Brown to look at wood land & then to Gananoque
5		Scraped up some dung in the Barnyard
6		Geordy come home last night we Spread dung in the north field fine day
7		I went to Brockville expecting to meet Mr Loren Neismith from Almont he had not Come Stopt all night Saw him this morning he gave me an account of my Cousin David Robb in glasgow he was home & Saw him in Glasgow got home
8		with the Express this afternoon I met the Revd Mr Gordon at the Station he come home with me Geordy helped B Young at the thrashinmachin
9		the Revd Mr Geordon preached this forenoon in the Schoolhouse Geordy took him to Reeds he come home with him again he went from here to Kingston I drew 2 loads of sand for J. Web & 2 for Mr Thompson & 1 for the Church
10		I drew 1 load of Sand to the Church 2 for J Web & 2 loads of gravel & 1 of Sand for Wm Thompson Geordy helped H Young to put on straw
11		Geordy drew loom & gravel for Parkers in the forenoon rain this afternoon got 12 bushel of oats from A Cornet

	12	went to Gananoque to the fair acted as Judgee on Sheep Swine & poltry fine day
	13	attendd our own fair at the Station took first on the Bull Calf 3rd ram lamb & Carrots 2nd in Mangle
	14	the Hazelwoods& Rob Beatty was up Granmom is no better Geordy began to plow & plowed in the field below the house Northeast part it is first plowing the ground is rather dry

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Oct	15	Dug some potatos a little rain at 11 oclock& attended an Agriculture meeting at the station went to Young to see grandmam She is very bad Ellen hs not been home sine I took her down she cannot leave
	16	came home this afternoon there was no meeting here to day there was no one went for Mr Gordon on Saturday
	17	Wm Cornet helped me to spread the dung in the north field we finished it it got a fine coat Geordy drew 9 loads of gravel for Jos Gilbert & some wood
	18	heavy rain & wind last night & this morning a great deal of the fenceses is blown down no work done
	19	put up the fence around the little field at the old house so as to keep in the rams & lambs dug 16 bushel of the Seedling potatos & 5 of Chilies Wm John Cornet

		helped
	20	rain this morning no potatos dug
	21	dug potatos Wm Cornet helped me in the afternoon we dug 30 bushel of Chilies they are very good
	22	Finishd diging the potatos we dug 14 bushel Wm Cornet helped half the day we have 60 bushel in all I met the Revd Mr Gordon at the Station he is to preach here tomoro fine day has been Geordy plowd
	23	the Revd Mr Gordon preached in the forenoon &Mr Follock in the afternoon
	24	Samuel Moorhead come here this morning & we comenced to Blast a well a little north of the house in the garden the rock is very hard it sand & flint
	25	worked at the well rain in the afternoon Could not work at it the rock very hard & hard to get out
	26	worked at the well Geordy plowed fine day
	27	worked at the well in the forenoon rain in the afternoon John Young come here from Toronto I went to Escot for for leather to give him got 1 of own bought on other for \$2 gave them to him & a dear Skin to make boots for me
	28	worked at the well the rock is a little softer

	29	worked at the well got along well to day
30		the Revd Mr Gordon preached he come here on wedensday night
	31	worked at the well the rock is a great deal softer Geordy pulled some of the carrots frost last night

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{Nov}

Nov	1	Worked at the well took out 50 pails this afternoon Geordy went to a raisin of G Youngs Adam came home from the woods this afternoon
	2	worked at the well we took out 60 pail fulls this morning worked till night the water comes in very fast about a pailfull every 1 1/2 minutes we had to Stop doing anything more at it this fall we were only 7 1/2 days I paid S. Moorehead \$7 1/2 we are 4 feet 9 inched in the rick Geordy & Besy at the carrots
	3	Geordy & me finished pulling the carrots in the forenoon Ad took his Mother down to Granmom She is no better I went to Gananoque to an Agriculture Meeting Haig. Peck & me was appritd to get an Ayrshire Bull
	4	Geordy plowed I cleaned out the well & went & Seen J McMullen W J Turner S Finley & Sheells to draw lumber from the Reck for the Church John Robson & his Wife came here they are to go on Monday

	5	Geordy finished the plowing of the field or rather part of the field East line South of the midle ditch I went an Agriculture Meeting for to Station the Rams we have 5 I get one J Purvis 1 N Colhoun 1 Wm Douglas 1 J Cook
6		the Revd Mr Follock preached in the afternoon
	7	I went with J McMullin S Findley Wm J Turner J Shields for lumber to Marble Rock for the Church Geordy began to plow in the midle field west side
rain	8	Geordy plowed in the midle field I covered the carrots in the forenoon rain in the afternoon
rain	9	plowed in the forenoon rained in the afternoon I fixed a handle sucker for the pump
	10	drew Stones for the well & Stoned it up it is too low
	11	quired Stones for another row of Stones higher Geordy plowd in & banked it up a little
Snowed a little last night	12	drew the Stones that I quired for the well & put them
13		the Revd Mr Gordon preachd in the Schoolhouse David got home from Nipagon this morning

	14	fixed arond the well wheeled Some of the Stones that come out of it into the lane
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{Nov}

Nov	15	James McDonald & A Cornet come to thrash at Cornets we had what they called 30 bushel of wheat
	16	finished thrashing Hendersons & put in the Straw Wat Come home by the express the boys look well
	17	Cleand out the well & fixed a little there was 4 feet of water in it Wat & David went to Delta to day
	18	Cleaned the wheat that was A Cornets had 16 bushel of migeproof we took 11 of oats out of it there was 6 bushel of Black See as it come from the mashin that we did not Clean 34
	19	got some wood I Cut down the old oak tree at the Corner of the orchard for Slaugh crooks it was a hard job hard frost
20		the Revd Mr Gordon preach in the Schoolhouse this forenoon & the Revd Mr Green the Bible Socitie Agent from Montrail at night
	21	Ad went to John Bradleys & got the Leister Ram put him with the Sheep Geordy plowed this afternoon frost is all out plastered Some of the Stable

	22	I thrashed peas Geordy drew dung to the garden
Snow	23	Snowed & Stormed all day no work done
	24	Ad went to Gananoque with 16 bushel of wheat we cleaned up 7 bushel of peas got Some & other fixing
	25	James McMullin & I cleaned out the insid of the Church in the forenoon Geordy plasterd the Stable the snow is going very fast
	26	plasterd the Cow Stable & other fixing about Robie Beatty brought Ellen home this afternoon her Mother is no better
27		no Meeting to day the Snow & frost all gone
	28	cleaned or picked Stones of between the Church & the orchard with the teem in the forenoon Ad began to plow in the afternoon Geordy & I Picked in the afternoon with Mary
	29	Ad plowed Geordy & me picked Stones with Mary
	30	hard frost last night little work done

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{Dec}

Dec	1	Ad Choped wood in Armstrongs woods Geordy got wood. J Thomas Split the rail cuts in the forenoon I thrashd Some
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		peas fine day Henery Young Wm Cornet & Humphery Young put the joist in the Church
	2	Ad plowed between the Church & the orchard Geordy & me drew of Stones fine day
	3	Do Do Do Do
4		the Revd Mr Berts preached a Missonary Sermon in the Schoolhouse
	5	plowed & drew of Stones between the Church & orchard & Killed the hogs
rain	6	rain this morning & most of the forenoon J Thomas finshed Spliting the rails he Split 700 I paid him \$3.50 cents that is 50 cents per hundred Geordy went to Gananoque & got a Suite of Clothes cut Ad plowed I Salted the Pork
	7	Ad finished plowing between the orchard & the Church I Cleaned out the furrows & dug som ditches so as to let the water off
snow	8	Snowed about an inch last night & is Still Snowing I thrashed Some oats Stormy day kind of rain & Snow
	9	Ad Choped wood at Armstrongs Geordy drew it together with the old maire I

		Killed the geas & a Sheep Ellen went to Mallorytowne on the mixed this morning to go to her Mothers She expects Rob to Meet her
	10	drew Sand from the pit to bank the house I received a letter from Wat with the Mortgage that E. J. Sinkler held against Me he paid it up
11		the Revd Mr Follock preached in the Schoolhouse this morning
rain	12	Snow & rain all day we cleaned up the Barn & granery we expect the thrashers had 3 bushels of the Black See wheat that was on the Shepard place
J Bradley A Cornet J Johnston J McMullin J W Turner H Young helped to thrash	13	A Cornet came here last night with the machin we thrashed the peas had 17 bushel & 22 of wheat 12 of barley the track is very bad began the oats
	14	finished the thrashing had 183 of oats put in part of the Straw
	15	finished puting in the Straw in the Barn A Cornet & H Young helped

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Dec	16	Ad & Ellen & Isabla went to Brockville this morning in the Buggy they took the butter with them hard frost Geordy drew dung to cover the potatos
	17	Geordy helped J Bradley to thrash I got some wood & fixed the cattle snowed & blew in the afternoon Ad & the girls got at night they got 19 cents per lb for the butter all round butter has fell it was the high prise {illegible}
	18	no meeting to day
	19	went to the nomination at Willsons schoolhouse thre is 22 nominations 4 for Reeve 3 for D Reave the rest for councillors the Boys drew wood from Armstrongs
	20	I examined the concession line between the 1 & 2 con in lots No 13,14,15,16,17 & 18 the Boys drew wood rain this morning
	21	Stormy this morning Ad ground his axe in the forenoon & we cleaned up the pussegrass seed & killed a 2 year old heffer for Beef
	22	drew wood from Armstrongs
	23	De De De De drew in the remainder of the stack of hay put it over the horses in the forenoon went to Delta for David & Wat & his Wife
	24	Choped wood in the woods Ad got home to night Lizie is not well So Wat & her did not come

25		the Revd Mr Ffollock preached in the Schoolhouse at 7 o'clock PM
snow	26	very Stormy day Billie come home yesterday with Mary & little Willie
A little snow	27	cleaned up four bags of fall wheat all that there was Ad went to help James Cornet to get out timber for a Barn he had all his Barns a Sheds burned
	28	mended the harness cold day
	29	Ad went to New Bourough with F Dean his Wife David Billie & Isabla cold day Billie & Mary went home to day
Snow	30	Geordy went to J Cornets raisin I atended to the Cattle a little Snow
	31	Stormy day rain & Snow cut iron in the Shed

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January

Jan	1	The Revd Mr Francis preached in the Schoolhouse in the forenoon & at 6 o'clock in the evening
snow	2	acted as Returning officer in the division of the Township Stormy day

snow	3	a very stormy day wind & Snow with heavy drifts Ad came home from Newbourrow with his visitors Lizie came with him from Delta
	4	no travel on the roads what is is through our fields attended on the Cattle
	5	Ad & Geordy helped B. Younge to thrash the road is very bad
	6	drew the rails out of the lane to make a fence across the new field that we plowed this fall near the Church
	7	Billie went to Delta with Elizie Watt did not come fine day no travel on the roads here

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